

1. Under what conditions is the following method (to approximate $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$) stable, where $U_i^k \equiv U(x_i, t_k)$ (justify answer)? (Hint: $e^{Imdx} - 2 + e^{-Imdx} = -4\sin^2(m * dx/2)$)

$$\frac{U_i^{k+1} - 2U_i^k + U_i^{k-1}}{dt^2} = \frac{U_{i+1}^{k-1} - 2U_i^{k-1} + U_{i-1}^{k-1}}{dx^2}$$

always unstable

$$a(t_{k+1}) - 2a(t_k) + a(t_{k-1}) = \frac{dt^2}{dx^2} a(t_{k-1}) (-4\sin^2 \frac{mdx}{2})$$

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + (1+r) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 1 \pm \sqrt{r}i \quad |\lambda|^2 = 1+r > 1$$

$$r = 4 \frac{dt^2}{dx^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{mdx}{2} \right)$$

2. a. When a Galerkin finite element method is used to approximate the solution of $u'' + f(x) = 0$, $u(0) = u(1) = 0$, and the approximate solution is expanded as a linear combination of piecewise linear "chapeau" trial functions $\phi_i(x)$: $U(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} a_i \phi_i(x)$ there results a linear system $A\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ for the unknowns $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_{N-1})$. Give formulas (involving integrals, and only first derivatives) for the elements A_{ki} , b_k of the matrix and right hand side vector.

$$A_{ki} = \int_0^1 \phi_k' \phi_i' dx$$

$$b_k = \int_0^1 f \phi_k dx$$

- b. If the integrals in A_{ki} are calculated exactly, and a mid-point rule is used to approximate the integral in b_k , taking into account that $a_i = U(x_i)$, the resulting linear equations simplify (assuming uniformly spaced x_i) to:

$$\frac{-U(x_i+h) + 2U(x_i) - U(x_i-h)}{h} = \frac{h}{2} [f(x_i + h/2) + f(x_i - h/2)]$$

$$T = \frac{u(x+h) - 2u(x) + u(x-h)}{h^2} + \frac{1}{2} f(x + \frac{h}{2}) + \frac{1}{2} f(x - \frac{h}{2})$$

$$= u'' + \frac{h^2}{12} u^{(4)} + \dots + f + \frac{h^2}{8} f'' + \dots = \frac{h^2}{12} u^{(4)} - \frac{h^2}{8} u^{(4)} + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{1}{24} h^2 u^{(4)} + \dots$$

Find the truncation error for this "finite difference" scheme.

$$T = -\frac{1}{24} h^2 u^{(4)} \dots$$

- c. Explain why the collocation method cannot be used here in place of the Galerkin method.

$$\varphi_k''(z_k) = 0 \quad \text{all } k$$

3. The usual centered, second order, finite difference approximations are used to solve $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = f(x, y, z)$, with $u = 0$ on the boundary of the square $0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, 0 < z < 1$. If M gridlines are used in each direction, ie, $x_i = i/M, i = 0, \dots, M$ and similarly for y_j, z_k , a linear system results with $(M-1)^3$ unknowns and $(M-1)^3$ equations (one equation centered on each unknown). If the unknowns are numbered by planes, that is, all unknowns on the plane z_1 are numbered first, then those on plane z_2 , etc, then:

- a. Approximately how many multiplications are done if this linear system is solved by a Gauss elimination routine, which does not take any advantage of zero elements?

$$\frac{1}{3} N^3 = \frac{1}{3} (M-1)^3 \approx \frac{1}{3} M^3$$

- b. Approximately what is the half-bandwidth of the linear system? (Half-bandwidth = $\max |i - j|$ such that $A_{ij} \neq 0$.)

$$L = (M-1)^2 \approx M^2$$

- c. Approximately how many multiplications are done if it is solved by a band solver, with partial pivoting?

$$2NL^2 = 2M^3(M^2)^2 = 2M^7$$

- d. Approximately how many if a band solver is used with no pivoting?

$$NL^2 \approx M^7$$

- e. Approximately how many "divisions" are done if the SOR iterative method is used with optimal ω , assuming the number of iterations is then about cM .

$$N \cdot cM = M^3 cM = cM^4$$

4. Consider the eigenvalue problem $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = \lambda u$ with $u = 0$ on the boundary of a 2D region R . An approximate eigenfunction of the form $U(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \phi_i(x, y)$ is sought, where the ϕ_i are linearly independent and each is 0 on the boundary.

- a. If a Galerkin finite element method is used, a generalized eigenvalue problem $Aa = \lambda Ba$ results, where $a = (a_1, \dots, a_N)$. Give formulas (involving integrals, and only first derivatives) for the elements A_{ki}, B_{ki} of matrices A and B .

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$$A_{ki} = \iint_R \nabla^2 \phi_i \phi_k = \iint_R -\nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_k$$

$$B_{ki} = \iint_R \phi_i \phi_k$$

- b. Show that the matrix B in problem 4a is positive definite. (Recall that one definition of positive definite is that B is symmetric and $z^T B z > 0$ for any nonzero vector z .) Thus, B is nonsingular.

(B is clearly symmetric)

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$$z \cdot B z = \sum_{k=1}^N z_k (B z)_k = \sum_{k=1}^N z_k \left(\sum_{i=1}^N B_{ki} z_i \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^N z_k \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\iint_R \phi_i \phi_k \right) z_i = \iint_R \left(\sum_{k=1}^N z_k \phi_k \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N z_i \phi_i \right) \geq 0$$

$= 0$ only if $\sum z_i \phi_i(x) \equiv 0 \Rightarrow z_i \equiv 0$.

- c. Write the inverse power method iteration for finding the smallest eigenvalue of $Az = \lambda Bz$ in a form where no inverses are calculated.

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$$A z_{n+1} = B z_n \quad \leftarrow \quad z_{n+1} = (B^{-1} A)^{-1} z_n$$

- d. If a collocation finite element method is used, with collocation points (x_k, y_k) , a generalized eigenvalue problem $Aa = \lambda Ba$ again results; this time what are the elements of A_{ki}, B_{ki} of A and B ? Is B now positive definite?

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$$A_{ki} = \nabla^2 \phi_i(x_k, y_k)$$

$$B_{ki} = \phi_i(x_k, y_k)$$

B is not even symmetric

1. Under what conditions is the following method (to approximate $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$) stable, where $U_i^k \equiv U(x_i, t_k)$ (justify answer)? (Hint: $e^{Imdx} - 2 + e^{-Imdx} = -4\sin^2(m * dx/2)$)

$$\frac{U_i^{k+1} - 2U_i^k + U_i^{k-1}}{dt^2} = \frac{U_{i+1}^{k+1} - 2U_i^{k+1} + U_{i-1}^{k+1}}{dx^2}$$

$$r^2 = 4 \frac{dt^2}{dx^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{mdx}{2}\right)$$

$$(1+r^2)\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-4r^2}}{2(1+r^2)} = \frac{1 \pm r\lambda}{1+r^2}$$

$$|\lambda|^2 = \frac{1+r^2}{(1+r^2)^2} = \frac{1}{1+r^2} < 1$$

unconditionally stable

2. a. If a Galerkin finite element method is used to approximate the solution of $u^{iv} = f(x)$, $u(0) = u(1) = u'(1) = 0$, $u'(0) = A$, and the approximate solution is expanded as a linear combination of trial functions $\phi_i(x)$: $U(x) = \Omega(x) + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \phi_i(x)$ where $\Omega(x)$ satisfies all four boundary conditions, and each of the ϕ_k satisfies $\phi_k(0) = \phi_k'(0) = \phi_k(1) = \phi_k'(1) = 0$, there results a linear system $Aa = b$ for the unknowns $a = (a_1, \dots, a_N)$. Give formulas for the elements A_{ki} , b_k of the matrix and right hand side vector.

$$\int_0^1 u^{iv} p_k dx = \int_0^1 f p_k dx$$

$$[u'''' p_k - u'' p_k']_0^1 + \int_0^1 u'' p_k'' dx = \int_0^1 f p_k dx$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N a_i \left(\int_0^1 p_i'' p_k'' dx \right) = \int_0^1 f p_k dx - \int_0^1 \Omega'' p_k'' dx = b_k$$

- b. Same question, but now the collocation method is used.

$$\Omega^{iv}(x_k) + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i p_i^{iv}(x_k) = f(x_k)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N a_i p_i^{iv}(x_k) = f(x_k) - \Omega^{iv}(x_k)$$

- c. If the Galerkin method is used, how many continuous derivatives must the $\phi_i(x)$ have? If collocation is used? Can cubic Hermite basis functions be used for Galerkin? Collocation?

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Galerkin $C^1(0,1) \rightarrow \text{yes}$
Collocation $C^3(0,1) \rightarrow \text{no}$

3. Suppose the ODE $u' = f(t, u)$ is approximated by:

$$11U_{n+1} - 18U_n + 9U_{n-1} - 2U_{n-2} = 6h f(t_{n+1}, U_{n+1})$$

- a. Is the method stable? (Hint: $\lambda = 1$ is always a root of the characteristic polynomial, for consistent methods.)

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$$11\lambda^3 - 18\lambda^2 + 9\lambda - 2 = 0 \quad \lambda = 1, \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{39}}{22} \quad |\lambda|^2 = 0.1815$$

$$(\lambda - 1)(11\lambda^2 - 7\lambda + 2) = 0$$

(yes)

- b. Calculate the truncation error (Hint: don't forget to normalize).

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$$T = \frac{1}{6} h^3 u'''$$

- c. Suppose this method is used to solve a linear ODE system $Au' = Bu + f(t)$, where A and B are matrices of constants (and A is non-singular) and u is the vector of unknowns. Then every time step, a linear system must be solved which has what matrix? Suppose A and B are N by N band matrices, with half-bandwidth $L = \sqrt{N}$. Assuming N is large, the work will be what order $O(N^?)$ to solve this linear system the first time step? On every time step after the first? (Assume you take advantage of any special structure of the matrices.)

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$$(11A - 6hB)$$

first iteration $O(NL^2) = O(N^2)$
second $O(NL) = O(N^{1.5})$

4. Write out the nonlinear overrelaxation formulas to solve the usual centered finite difference approximation to $U_{xx} + U_{yy} = U^5 + e^{x+y}$.

$$u_{ij}^{n+1} = u_{ij} - \omega \frac{\left(\frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{ij} + u_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{ij} + u_{i,j-1}}{\Delta y^2} \right) - u_{ij}^5 - e^{x_i+y_j}}{\left(-\frac{2}{\Delta x^2} - \frac{2}{\Delta y^2} - 5u_{ij}^4 \right)}$$

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5. We want to find an eigenvalue of $\nabla^2 U = \lambda U$, with $U = 0$ on the boundary. If a finite element method is used, and U is expanded as a linear combination of basis function $\phi_k(x, y, z)$, each of which satisfies the boundary condition, a generalized eigenvalue problem $Aa = \lambda Ba$ will result.

- a. What are the elements A_{ki}, B_{ki} of the A and B matrices if the Galerkin method is used? Are A and/or B symmetric?

$$A_{ki} = \iint \nabla \phi_k \cdot \nabla \phi_i \quad \text{yes symmetric}$$

$$B_{ki} = \iint \phi_k \phi_i \quad \text{yes "}$$

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- b. Same questions, if the collocation method is used?

$$A_{ki} = \nabla^2 \phi_i(x_k, y_k, z_k) \quad \text{not symmetric}$$

$$B_{ki} = \phi_i(x_k, y_k, z_k) \quad \text{not "}$$

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- c. Write out, in an efficient form, the shifted inverse power iteration for finding the eigenvalue of $Aa = \lambda Ba$ closest to p , and tell how this eigenvalue λ can be found from this iteration.

$$(A - pB) a_{n+1} = B a_n$$

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$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \approx \mu \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{\mu} + p$$

1. We want to solve the PDE $-\nabla^2 U + U = f(x, y)$, with $\frac{\partial U}{\partial n} = -U + g(x, y)$ on the boundary. If a Galerkin finite element method is used, and U is expanded as a linear combination of basis functions $U(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \phi_i(x, y)$, a linear system of the form $Aa = b$ will result. What are the elements A_{ki}, b_k of matrix A and vector b . How many continuous derivatives must $\phi_i(x, y)$ have? Is A symmetric? Is A positive definite?

$$\iint -\nabla^2 U \phi_k + U \phi_k = \iint f \phi_k \quad \phi_i \in C^0, A \text{ symmetric pos def.}$$

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} -\phi_k \frac{\partial U}{\partial n} + \iint \epsilon a_i (\nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_k + \phi_i \phi_k) = \iint f \phi_k$$

$$A_{ki} = \iint \nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_k + \phi_i \phi_k + \int_{\partial\Omega} \phi_i \phi_k \quad b_k = \iint f \phi_k + \int_{\partial\Omega} g \phi_k$$

2. We want to solve the PDE $-\nabla^2 U + U = f(x, y)$, with $U = 0$ on the boundary. If a collocation finite element method is used, and U is expanded as a linear combination of basis functions $U(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \phi_i(x, y)$, where $\phi_i(x, y) = 0$ on the boundary, a linear system of the form $Aa = b$ will result. What are the elements A_{ki}, b_k of matrix A and vector b . How many continuous derivative must $\phi_i(x, y)$ have? Is A symmetric?

$$A_{ki} = -\nabla^2 \phi_i(x_k, y_k) + \phi_i(x_k, y_k) \quad b_k = f(x_k, y_k)$$

$$\phi_i \in C^1 \quad A \text{ not symmetric}$$

3. Give two important advantages of the finite element method over finite difference methods.

- handles non-rectangular region better
- handles non-uniform grids better

4. Write out, in a form where no inverses appear, the shifted inverse power iteration for finding the eigenvalue of $Aa = \lambda Ba$ closest to p , and tell how this eigenvalue λ can be found from two consecutive iterates, z_n and z_{n+1} , after convergence.

$$z_{n+1} = (\beta^+ A - pI)^+ z_n \quad \lambda = p + \frac{z_n^* \cdot z_n}{z_n^* \cdot z_{n+1}}$$

$$(A - p\beta) z_{n+1} = \beta z_n$$

5. Is the following approximation consistent with $u' = f(t, u)$, and is it stable? What is the order $O(h^\alpha)$ of the error at a fixed t ?

$$\frac{U(t_{k+1}) - U(t_{k-2}))}{3h} = \frac{1}{2} f(t_k, U(t_k)) + \frac{1}{2} f(t_{k-1}, U(t_{k-1})).$$

$$T = \frac{h^2}{4} u''' + \dots \text{ so consistent} \quad \lambda^3 - 1 = 0 \quad \lambda = 1, -\frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

($|\lambda| = 1$ so stable)

$$\text{Error}(t) = O(h^2)$$

6. a. Under what conditions is the following method (to approximate $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$) stable, where $U_i^k \equiv U(x_i, t_k)$ (justify answer)? (Hint: $e^{Imdx} = 2 + e^{-Imdx} = -4\sin^2(m * dx/2)$)

$$\frac{U_i^{k+1} - 2U_i^k + U_i^{k-1}}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{U_{i+1}^{k-1} - 2U_i^{k-1} + U_{i-1}^{k-1}}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{U_{i+1}^k - 2U_i^k + U_{i-1}^k}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{U_{i+1}^{k+1} - 2U_i^{k+1} + U_{i-1}^{k+1}}{dx^2}$$

$$a_{k+1} - 2a_k + a_{k-1} = \frac{dt^2}{dx^2} \frac{1}{3} \left(-4\sin^2 \frac{mdx}{2} \right) (a_{k+1} + a_k + a_{k-1})$$

$$(1+r)\lambda^2 + (-2+r)\lambda + (1+r) = 0 \quad \equiv -r(a_{k+1} + a_k + a_{k-1})$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2-r \pm \sqrt{3r(r+4)}}{2(1+r)} \quad |\lambda|^2 = \left(\frac{2-r}{2(1+r)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{3r(r+4)}{(2(1+r))^2} \right) = 1$$

always stable

- b. What is the order $O(dt^n) + O(dx^m)$ of the truncation error? You can just guess!

$$O(dt^2) + O(dx^2)$$