

Introduction to Biological Imaging (Homework 2)

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1 Assignment 1. Finite Difference Method

- 1.1 Come up with a simple one dimensional differential equation $f'(x) = g(x)$ on $\Omega = [0, 1]$ by specifying $g(x)$ and setting appropriate boundary condition (e. g. $f(0) = 0$).**

Initial assumption:

$$g(x) = \cos^2(\pi x) \quad (1)$$

Dirichlet boundary condition:

$$f(0) = 0 \quad (2)$$

- 1.2 Solve the obtained boundary value problem analytically. Show your solution as well as its plot.**

$$\int f'(x) dx = \int \cos^2(\pi x) dx \quad (3)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin(2\pi x)}{4\pi} + c_1 \quad (4)$$

$$f(0) = \frac{0}{2} + \frac{\sin(2\pi \cdot 0)}{4\pi} + c_1 \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \quad (6)$$

The corresponding MATLAB code was implemented as following:

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1 x_cont = linspace(0,1,1000);
2 x_interval = [0,1];
3 %% Plot ODE f'(x) = cos(pi x)^2 and its solution
4 syms f(x)
5 ODE = diff(f,x) == (cos(pi.*x)).^2;
6 bc = f(0) == 0;
7 sol = dsolve(ODE,bc);
8
9 figure;
10 yyaxis right
11 plot(x_cont,(cos(pi.*x_cont)).^2,'DisplayName',[ 'ODE (f''(x) = ' ...
12     'cos(x \pi)^2) ']); hold on
13 xlabel('x');
14 ylabel('f''(x)');
15 yyaxis left
16 fplot(sol,x_interval,'DisplayName',[ 'Analytical Solution ' ...
17     '(f(0)=0, ' newline 'f(x)=^{\frac{x}{2}}+\sin(2\pi x)/4\pi) ']);
18 legend;
19 xlabel('x');
20 ylabel('f(x)');

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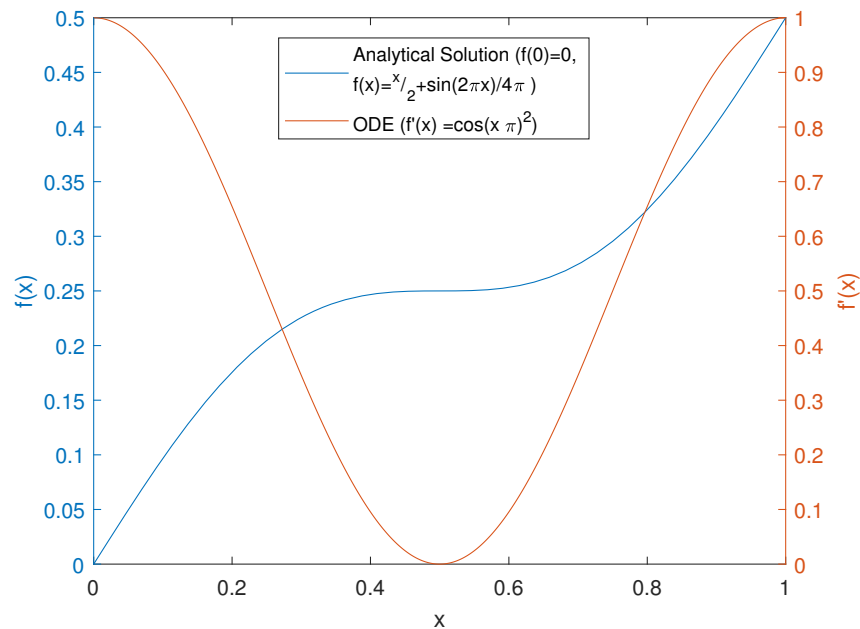


Figure 1: Original ODE with analytical solution

- 1.3 Solve the boundary value problem using the Finite Difference Method for step $h = 0.2, 0.1$ and 0.01 . Pick the discretization scheme yourself (forward/backward/central difference), discretize the equation and put it into matrix form. Use `linsolve()` to solve the resulting system of linear equations. Hint: unless you know what you are doing, avoid central difference scheme.**

Choosing the *forward Method* for the Finite Differences Method, where $x_i = i \cdot h$ with $i = 1, 2, \dots, N + 1$ and $N + 1 = \frac{1}{h}$. For given h values of $0.2, 0.1$ and 0.01 the dimension M is $5, 10$ and 100 .

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \cos^2(\pi x) \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Discretizing : } \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{h} = \cos^2(\pi x_i) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Rewriting : } f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i) = h \cos^2(\pi x_i) \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Using Eq. 2 : } f_1 = f(0) = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times M} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f_2 \\ f_3 \\ \vdots \\ f_{N-1} \\ f_N \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times 1} = h \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cos^2(\pi x_1) \\ \cos^2(\pi x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \cos^2(\pi x_{N-2}) \\ \cos^2(\pi x_{N-1}) \end{bmatrix}}_{M \times 1} \quad (12)$$

The Finite Differences were computed by the following MATLAB script:

```
1 %% Finite Difference Method
2 % Initialize Matrices
3 h = [0.2 0.1 0.01];
4 mat_size = 1./h;
5 A = cell(length(mat_size),1);
6 b = cell(length(mat_size),1);
7 f = cell(length(mat_size),1);
8 x = cell(length(mat_size),1);
9 fin_diff = cell(length(mat_size),1);
10
11 figure;
12 fplot(sol,x_interval,'DisplayName','Analytical Solution');hold on
13 % Populate A and b
14 for i = 1:length(mat_size)
15     x{i} = linspace(0,1,mat_size(i))';
16     A{i} = eye(mat_size(i));
17     for j = 2:(mat_size(i))
18         A{i}(j,j-1) = -1;
19     end
20
21     b{i} = double(h(i) .* ones(mat_size(i),1) .* (cos(pi .* x{i})).^2);
22
23     % Evaluate Af = b
24     f{i} = linsolve(double(A{i}),b{i});
25
26     % Plot solution
27     plot(x{i},[0;f{i}](1:end-1),'DisplayName',[ 'Finite Difference h = '
28         num2str(h(i))]);
29 end
30 legend({},'Location','northwest');
31 xlabel('x_i');
32 ylabel('f(x_i)');
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1.4 Plot the resulting solutions along with the exact solution you have computed in step 2

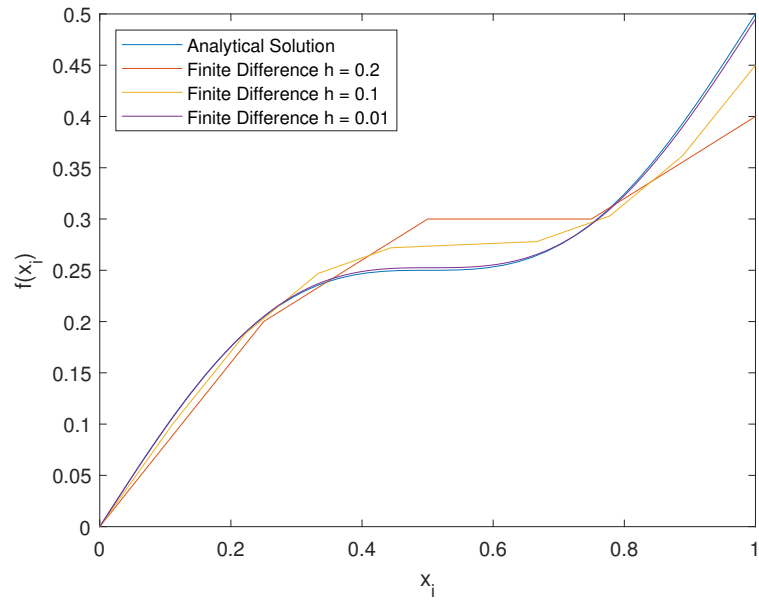


Figure 2: Analytical and Finite Difference solutions of the ODE

2 Assignment 2. Finite Element Method

2.1 Derive quadratic interpolation functions for the finite element method. Plot them in local coordinates. Show your derivation.

As shown in the lecture, for the square shape functions, we can write our trial solution as:

$$\hat{T} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 \quad (13)$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \end{bmatrix}}_X \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \end{bmatrix}^T}_A \quad (14)$$

$$T_{i_1} = T(0) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot 0 + a_2 \cdot 0^2 \quad (15)$$

$$T_{i_2} = T(1/2) = a_0 + \frac{a_1}{2} + \frac{a_2}{2^2} \quad (16)$$

$$T_{i_3} = T(1) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot 1 + a_2 \cdot 1^2 \quad (17)$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} T_{i_1} \\ T_{i_2} \\ T_{i_3} \end{bmatrix}}_T = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2^2} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_L \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}}_A \quad (18)$$

$$XA = NLA \quad (19)$$

$$N = XL^{-1} \quad (20)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2x^2 - 3x + 1 & 4x - 4x^2 & 2x^2 - x \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

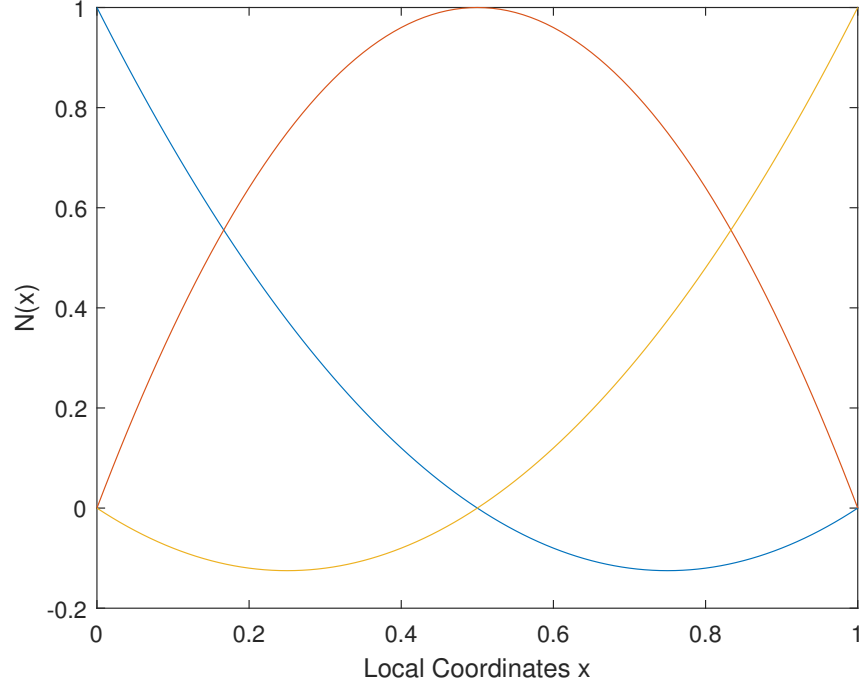


Figure 3: Quadratic FEM Interpolation Functions

2.2 Consider a 1D steady state heat conduction problem, where k and S are constant. How would the stiffness matrix for one element look like for the shape functions derived in step 1?

Problem:

$$kT'' + S = 0 \text{ on } \Omega \in [0, 1] \quad (22)$$

$$T(0) = 0, \quad T(1) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$k_{stiff}(i, j) = \int_0^1 N'(i) \cdot N'(j) dx \quad (24)$$

$$k_{stiff} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.\bar{3} & -2.\bar{6} & 0.\bar{3} \\ -2.\bar{6} & 5.\bar{3} & -2.\bar{6} \\ 0.\bar{3} & -2.\bar{6} & 2.\bar{3} \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

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1 %% 3D Finite Element Method
2
3 % Local x
4 x_local = 0:0.01:1;
5 L = [1,0,0; 1,0.5,0.25;1,1,1];
6 L_inv = inv(sym(L));
7
8 syms x
9 X = [1,x,x^2];
10 N = X*L_inv;
11
12 figure; %visualize cubic shape functions
13 for i = 1:length(N)
14     plot(x_local, subs(N(i),x_local), 'DisplayName', ['Square Shape Function',
15         ' num2str(i)']); hold on;
16 end
17 xlabel('Local Coordinates x');
18 ylabel('N(x)');
19 %% Stiffness Matrix
20 k_stiff = zeros(length(N));
21
22 for i = 1:length(N)
23     for j = 1:length(N)
24         k_stiff(i,j) = double(int( diff(N(i), x).*diff(N(j), x), x, 0, 1 ));
25     end
26 end
27
28 nodes = 3; % number of elements
29 Ke = double(k_stiff);
30 RHSe = int(N, x, 0, 1)';
31
32 L = 1; % domain length
33 k = 1; %for k = [100,10,1,0.1] %; % thermal conductivity,1
34 S = 10; % for S = [100,10,1,0.1]% % source,100
35 l = L/nodes; % node spacing assuming equidistant nodes
36 dim = nodes*(nodes - 1) +1; %dimension of stiffness matrix

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37 K = zeros(dim); %initialize stiffness matrix with zeros
38 RHS = zeros([dim, 1]); %initialize load vector with zeros
39
40 for i = 1:nodes %cycle through elements
41
42     %compute indices of entries for a given element
43     ind_start = 1+(i-1)*(nodes-1);
44     ind_end = ind_start + (nodes-1);
45
46     % update stiffness matrix with the stiffness matrix of a single element
47     K(ind_start:ind_end, ind_start:ind_end) = K(ind_start:ind_end, ...
48         ind_start:ind_end) + Ke;
49
50     %update load vector
51     RHS(ind_start:ind_end) = RHS(ind_start:ind_end)+RHSe;
52
53 end
54
55 K = (k/l)*K; %multiply by constants
56 F = S*l*RHS;
57 large_number = 1e6; %a trick not to exclude T(0)
58 K(1,1) = K(1,1)+large_number;
59 T_FEM = linsolve(K, F)% solve for T
60 %
61 x_coord_FEM = 0:l/(nodes-1):1; %coordinates of nodes
62 figure;
63 plot(x_coord_FEM, T_FEM, 'k—', 'DisplayName', ['FEM, S=', num2str(S), ' k=', ...
64     num2str(k)]); hold on %plot FEM solution
65 x_coord_solution = 0:0.01:1; %a grid to compute direct solution on
66 solution = -S/(2*k)*x_coord_solution.^2+S/k*x_coord_solution; %values of
67     the direct
68 plot(x_coord_solution, solution, 'DisplayName', ['Solution, S=', num2str(S), '
69     k=', ...
70     num2str(k)]); hold on %visualize the direct solution
71 xlabel('x');
72 ylabel('T(x)');
73 legend({}, 'Location', 'northwest');

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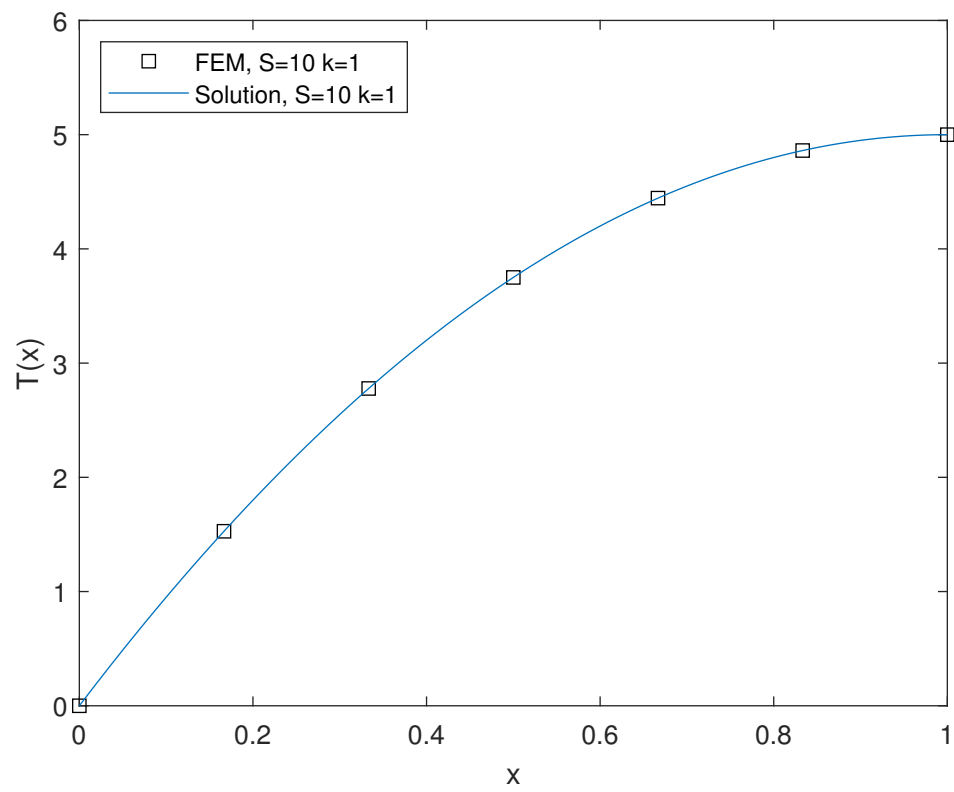



Figure 4: Analytical Solution and FEM Approximation