

## Hw 12

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(1) Prove that  $u(x)$  is the unique solution.

For second-order normal coefficient linear non-homogenized equation, with the structure

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + p \frac{dy}{dx} + qy = f(x),$$

here we have  $p = 0, q = -1, f(x) = -1$ , i.e.,  $-u'' + u = x \dots$  (1).

We need to solve the homogenized equation respectively, i.e.,  $-u'' + u = 0$  (2).

To solve the characteristic equation:

$$-r^2 + 1 = 0. \Rightarrow r_1 = 1, r_2 = -1.$$

Then the general solution of (2) is

$$c_1 \cdot e^{r_1 x} + c_2 \cdot e^{r_2 x} = c_1 \cdot e^x + c_2 \cdot e^{-x}.$$

Then solve the particular solution for (1).

Assuming that  $\tilde{u} = ax + b$ . Then we have  $ax + b = x \Rightarrow \tilde{u} = x$ .

Thus for (1), the general solution should be  $u = c_1 \cdot e^x + c_2 \cdot e^{-x} + x$ , with the condition  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = 0 \\ c_1 \cdot e + c_2 \cdot e^{-1} + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then  $\frac{e^{-1}}{e^{-2}-1}(e^{x-1} - e^{-x-1}) + x = x - \frac{\exp(x-1) - \exp(-x-1)}{1 - \exp(-2)}$  is the unique solution.

(2) Using upwind finite difference scheme, find out the matrix  $L^h$  and vector  $R^h f$ , such that the numerical solution satisfies  $L^h u^h = R^h f$ .

Compare with the original one, we have  $b = 0, c = 1, f(x) = x$ , then we have

$$\begin{cases} r = \frac{1}{h^2} + \frac{b^+}{h} = \frac{1}{h^2}, \\ s = \frac{2}{h^2} + \frac{b^+}{h} + \frac{b^-}{h} + c = \frac{2}{h^2} + 1, \\ t = \frac{1}{h^2} + \frac{b^-}{h} = \frac{1}{h^2}. \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$L^h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -r & s & -t & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -r & s & -t & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -r & s & -t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$R^h f = (0, \frac{1}{N}, \frac{2}{N}, \dots, \frac{N-1}{N}, 0)^T.$$

(3) Convert  $L^h u^h = R^h f$  to Markov Reward Process.

Applying the UFD scheme for the above ODE, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ , we have

$$-u_{i-1}^h \cdot \frac{1}{h^2} + u_i^h \cdot (\frac{2}{h^2} + 1) - u_{i+1}^h \cdot \frac{1}{h^2} = f_i,$$

where  $f_i = x_i$ . Thus we have

$$u_i^h = \frac{2}{2+h^2} (\frac{h^2}{2} x_i + \frac{1}{2} (u_{i-1}^h + u_{i+1}^h)).$$

Denote  $\gamma = \frac{2}{2+h^2}$ ,  $\ell^h(x) = \frac{h^2}{2} x$  and  $p^h(x \pm h e_i | x) = \frac{1}{2}$ , then we can get the **Markov Reward Process** as follows:

$$u(x) = \gamma \{ \ell^h(x) + p^h(x \pm h e_i | x) u(x \pm h e_i) \}.$$

(4) Write a pseudo code for value iteration.

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**Algo: 1** Value Iteration for  $-u'' + u = x$

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**Input:**  $\hat{\epsilon}$ : tolerance,  $\hat{n}$ : max iteration

**Output:**  $v(x)$

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1: function  $VI(\hat{n}, \hat{\epsilon})$ 
2:   Initialize guess  $\{v(x) : x \in O^h\}$ 
3:    $flag \leftarrow 1, n \leftarrow 0$ 
4:   while  $flag$  do
5:      $\epsilon \leftarrow 0, n \leftarrow n + 1$ 
6:     for  $x \in O^h$  do
7:        $u(x) \leftarrow v(x)$ 
8:     end for
9:     for  $x \in O^h$  do
10:       $v(x) \leftarrow F^h u(x)$ 
11:       $\epsilon \leftarrow \max\{\epsilon, |u(x) - v(x)|\}$ 
12:    end for
13:    if  $\epsilon < \hat{\epsilon}$  then
14:       $flag = 0$ 
15:    end if
16:  end while
17:  return  $v(x) : x \in O^h$ 
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(5) Write a pseudo code for first visit Monte-Carlo Method.

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**Algo: 2** First Visit Monte-Carlo Method for  $-u'' + u = x$

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**Input:**  $n$ : number of trials

**Output:**  $v(x)$

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1: function MC1( $n$ )
2:   Initialize  $Tot = 0$ 
3:   for  $x \in O^h$  do
4:     for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  do
5:       Generate  $\omega_i = \{S_0, R_1, \dots, S_T, R_{T+1}\}$ 
6:       Compute  $G \leftarrow R_1 + \gamma R_2 + \dots + \gamma^T R_{T+1}$ 
7:        $Tot \leftarrow Tot + G$ 
8:     end for
9:   return  $v(x) = \frac{Tot}{n}$ 
10: end for
11: return  $v(x) : x \in O^h$ 

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(6) Prove the consistency.

We have already known that

$$Lu = \begin{cases} -u'' + u & 0 < x < 1 \\ u & x = 0, 1 \end{cases}$$

We need to show that there exist a constant  $K$  and  $\alpha$ , such that

$$\|L^h R^h v - R^h L v\|_\infty \leq K h^\alpha, \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{C}^2([0, 1]),$$

where  $\|v\|_\infty = \max_i |v_i|$ ,  $\forall v \in \mathbb{R}^N$ .

(i)  $(L^h R^h v)_0 = v_0 = L v(0) = L v(x_0) = (R^h L v)_0$ , then

$$|(L^h R^h v)_0 - (R^h L v)_0| = 0.$$

(ii) Similarly,

$$|(L^h R^h v)_N - (R^h L v)_N| = 0.$$

(iii) For  $1 \leq i \leq N - 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (L^h R^h v)_i &= -\delta_h \delta_{-h} v_i + v_i, \\ (R^h L v)_i &= L v(x_i) = -v''(x_i) + v(x_i). \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

which means that  $|(L^h R^h v)_i - (R^h L v)_i| = O(h^2)$ .

Therefore,  $L^h$  is consistent with order  $\alpha = 2$ .

(7) Prove the stability.

We need to show that  $\|v\|_\infty \leq K \|L^h v\|_\infty$ ,  $\forall v \in \mathbb{E}^{N+1}$ .

(i) If  $|v_0| = \|v\|_\infty$ , then

$$\|L^h v\|_\infty \geq |(L^h v)_0| = |v_0| = \|v\|_\infty.$$

(ii) If  $|v_N| = \|v\|_\infty$ , then

$$\|L^h v\|_\infty \geq |(L^h v)_N| = |v_N| = \|v\|_\infty.$$

(iii) If  $|v_i| = \|v\|_\infty$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N-1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|L^h v\|_\infty &\geq |(L^h v)_i| \\ &= |-rv_{i-1} + sv_i - tv_{i+1}| \\ &= |r(v_i - v_{i-1}) + t(v_i - v_{i+1}) + (s - r - t)v_i| \\ &= |r(v_i - v_{i-1}) + t(v_i - v_{i+1}) + v_i| \\ &\geq |v_i| = \|v\|_\infty. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Therefore we have

$$\|v\|_\infty \leq \|L^h v\|_\infty, \forall v \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}.$$

(8) Find the convergent rate.

Suppose  $h$  is small enough, then we will have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u^h - R^h u\|_\infty &\leq \|L^h(u^h - R^h u)\|_\infty \\ &= \|L^h u^h - L^h R^h u\|_\infty \\ &= \|R^h f - L^h R^h u\|_\infty \\ &= \|R^h Lu - L^h R^h u\|_\infty \\ &= O(h^2) \text{ by consistency.} \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Therefore, the convergence rate is 2.