

Middle East Technical University
Department of Mechanical Engineering
ME 310 Numerical Methods
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Programming Project 2

The programming project will be submitted through METU-Class, as described in the “Programming Project Assignment Guidelines”, which is posted on METU-Class.

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Due date: 07.12.2022

Suppose that N particles are placed at equally spaced points, $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{N-1}$ in the bounded domain $[0, 1]$. Any particle with index i is located at x_i and denoted by p_i . The particles p_{i-1} and p_{i+1} are always left and right neighbors of the particle p_i , respectively.

The position of the particle located on the left-most location (i.e. p_0 at point $x_0 = 0$) moved with the function $f(t) = 0.25 \times \sin(\pi t)$. As an example, the particle p_0 is moved from 0 to 0.25 at $t = 0.5$ and from 0 to -0.25 at $t = 1.5$. The particle's position at the right-most location stays fixed (i.e. $x_{N-1} = 1.0$ does not change).

If the neighbors of any particle **do not** change after moving the particle p_0 , distribution of the internal particles (i.e. $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N - 2$) can be obtained with the following relation,

$$x'_{i+1} - 2x'_i + x'_{i-1} = 0 \quad (1)$$

a) By writing the first and the last 3 equations show that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x'_0 \\ x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ \vdots \\ x'_{N-2} \\ x'_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f(t) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ x_{N-1} \end{bmatrix},$$

is the linear system of equations solving the new position of particles, x' .

- b) Write a computer program that solves this problem using the Gauss Elimination method taking number of particles, N and time, t as the inputs.
- c) Write a computer program that solves this problem using the Gauss-Siedel method taking number of particles, N and time, t as the inputs.

- Your code should be named *e123456.ext*, where *.ext* is *.m*, *.py*, *.c*, *.cpp* etc. depending on your language of preference,

- Your code should benefit from the special structure of the system and should avoid any redundant **operation** and **storage**.
- The inputs should be taken from the command prompt similar to the following:
 Enter the number of particles: < user input >
 Enter the time instant: < user input >
 Enter the tolerance to terminate: < user input > (*for Gauss-Siedel only*)
 Enter the maximum number of iterations to terminate: < user input > (*for Gauss-Siedel only*)

Present your results in a short report (a few pages of a text document only, saved as a .pdf document) which should include the following:

- A basic introduction paragraph,
- Necessary formulations and hand calculations to write your code, and your derivation in part (a),
- Your numerical results i.e. plots, tables etc.,
- Your line plots should include the evolution of the solution by plotting the position of particles, x' at different time instants, t for the same number of particles, N ,
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- Discussion of the results and conclusion,
- Appendix section including your code and executable file in the case programming languages such as C/C++, Fortran etc. are used.