

**1D FDM Package**  
**1D Heat Equation solution using FDM**  
Lab Exercises  
Total Marks: 100

# Exercise 30

# Steps to Solve Exercises 30

1. Identify the domain or interval of the problem
2. Discretize the time domain and space domain, compute the number of points required depending  $\Delta t, \Delta x$  say  $N_t$  and  $N_x$
3. Declare and Initialize arrays to zero:  $x[Nx], T[Nx], Tnew[Nx], Texact[Nx]$
4. Assign  $T[i]=0$  for all  $0 \leq i < N_x$  and  $n=0$
5. Use given formula to compute  $T_i^{n+1}$  from given formula, assume LHS of the formula as  $Tnew[i]$  and values at RHS as  $T[i]$
6. Write a function with two arguments:  $float\ g(float\ x, float\ t)$
7. Use while loop:  $while(n < N_t)$ 
  - a) Whenever  $g_i^n$  is required in the formula, call the function  $g(x[i], t+n*dt)$
  - b) For each time step, save the  $Tnew[i]$  and  $x[i]$  for all  $0 \leq i < N_x$  in a file called `exercise-4-fdm-n.dat`, where  $n$  denotes the time-step number
  - c) For each time step, calculate the analytical solution  $Texact[i]$  and save the result in a file `exercise-4-exact-n.dat`
  - d) After saving the data, assign  $T[i]=Tnew[i]$ , for all  $0 \leq i < N_x$

# 1D Heat Equation

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + g \quad \begin{array}{l} 0 < x < l, \\ 0 < t < \infty \end{array}$$


$$T(0, t) = 0, 0 < t < \infty$$

$$T(l, t) = 0, 0 < t < \infty$$

$$T(x, 0) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq l$$

$$g(x, t) = 10\alpha t + 5x(l - x)$$

Analytical Solution:  $T(x, t) = 5xt(l - x)$

$$T(0, t) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{c} T(x, 0) = s(x) \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad T(l, t) = 0$$


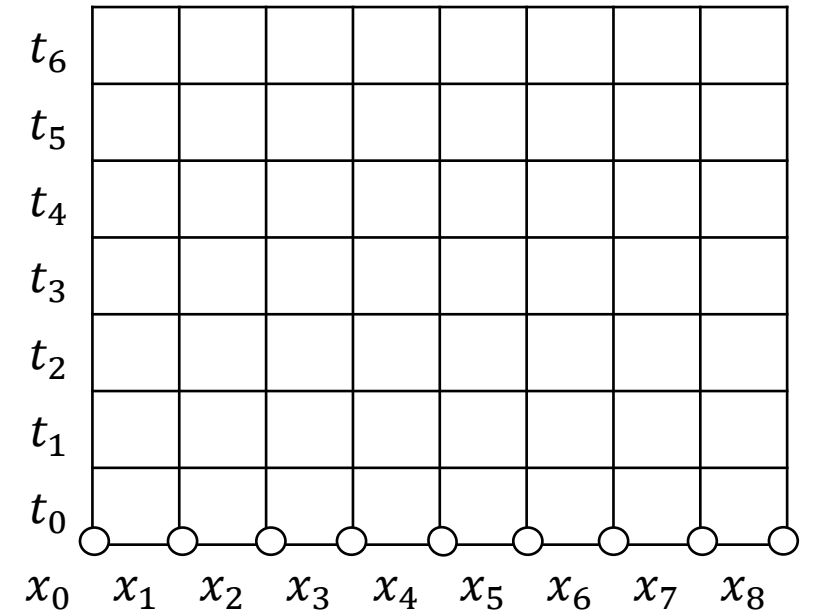
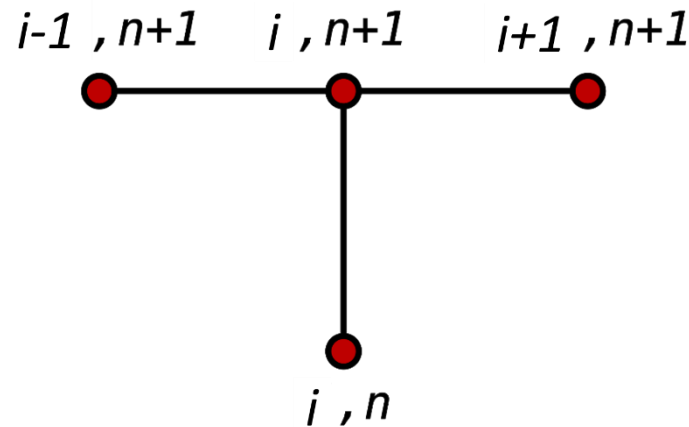
# Forward Euler Scheme

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + g$$

$$T(x_i, t_n) = T_i^n$$

$$T_i^{n+1} = T_i^n + F(T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n) + g_i^n \Delta t$$

$$F = \alpha \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$



$F$  is the dimensionless number that lumps the key physical parameter in the problem,  $\alpha$ , and the discretization parameters  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta t$  into a single parameter. Depending on  $F$ , the numerical method schemes are chosen.

Write your Python Code to solve the following problem and then plot the graph from your approximate solution and the real solution. Assume  $\alpha = 1, l = 5, \Delta x = 0.1, \Delta t = 0.1, T_{fin} = 10$ . Compare your approximate solution against the analytical solution

[20 Marks]

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + g(x, t)$$

$$T_i^{n+1} = T_i^n + F(T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n) + g_i^n \Delta t \qquad F = \alpha \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$g(x, t) = 10\alpha t + 5x(l - x)$$

Analytical Solution:  $T(x, t) = 5xt(l - x)$