

1. Consider the boundary value problem,

$$-u'' = e^{\sin(x)}, u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0.$$

- Solve the problem and check the accuracy of your solutions.
- Explore the limitation of accuracy: identify the smallest error you can achieve and explain what prevents further improvement.

sol: The exact solution is given by

$$u(x) = \int_0^1 G(x, s) f(s) ds$$

where $G(x, s)$ is Green's function, $f(s) = e^{\sin(s)}$. Then, we have

$$u(x) = (1-x) \int_0^x s e^{\sin(s)} ds + x \int_x^1 (1-s) e^{\sin(s)} ds.$$

Now, we want to use FDM to its numerical solution.

Given $P = \{0 = x_0 < \dots < x_n = 1\}$, $x_j = jh$, denote $f(x_j) = f_j$. Then

$$\frac{u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1}}{h^2} = f_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n-1$$

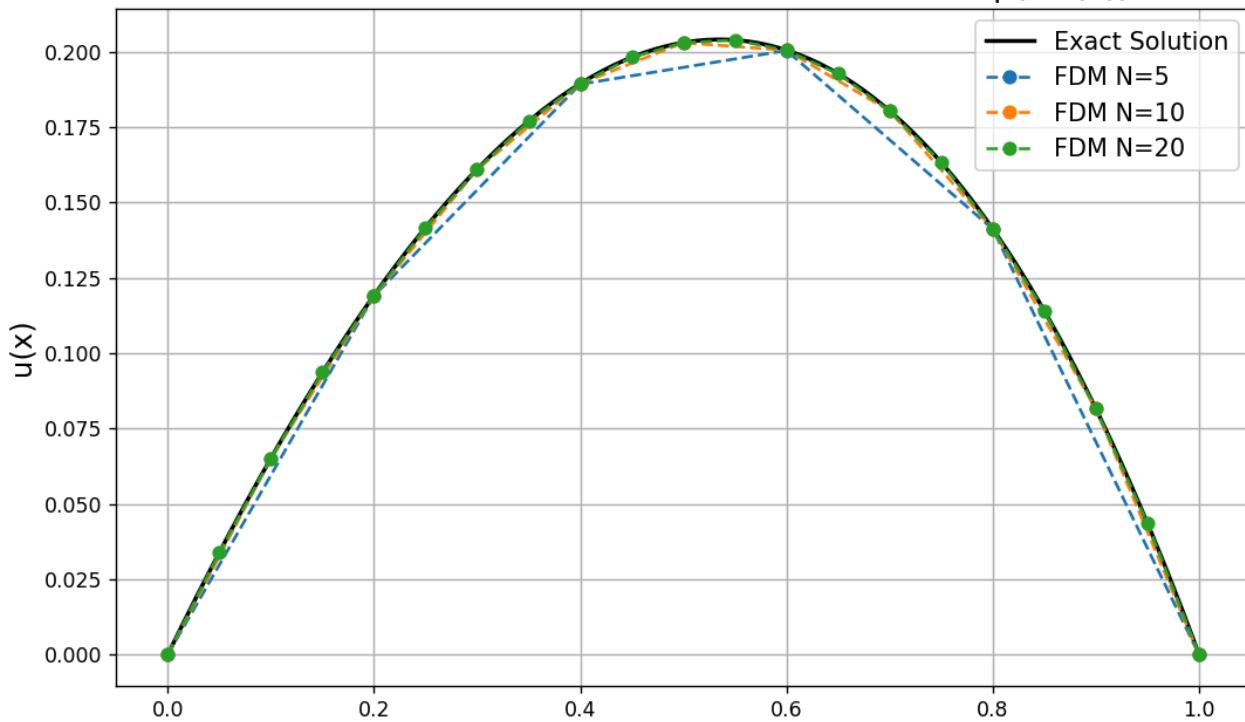
Hence, we can solve the Linear system $L_h u_n = f$ to get numerical solution.

The strategy to verify the accuracy of the solution is we want to use the difference of the N to get the numerical solution. Since FDM is $O(h^2)$ then we have

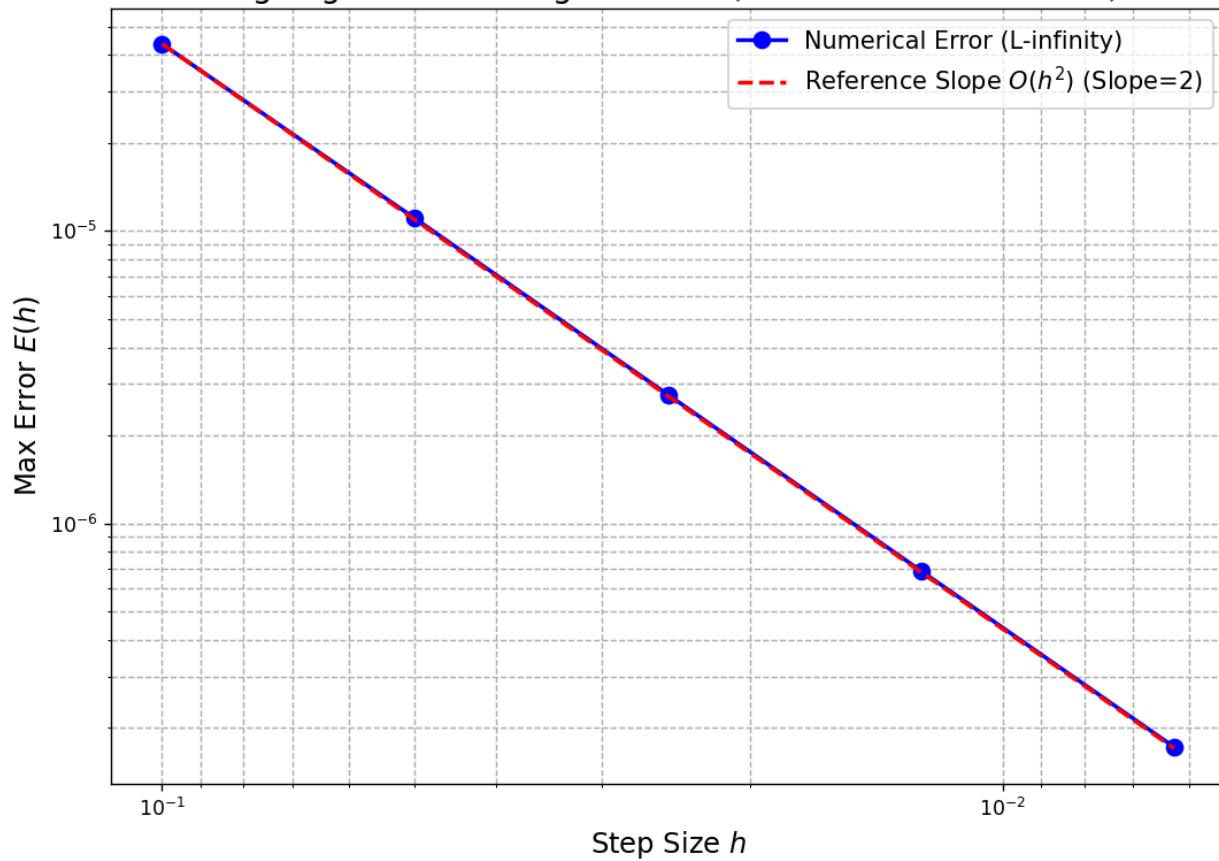
$$\text{Error of convergence} = \log_2 \left(\frac{E_1}{E_2} \right) = 2$$

where $E_1 = \max |u_h(x_i) - u_{\frac{h}{2}}(x_i)|$, $E_2 = \max |u_{\frac{h}{2}}(x_i) - u_{\frac{h}{4}}(x_i)|$, the following result satisfy my verify.

Numerical FDM vs. Exact Solution for $-u'' = \exp(\sin(x))$



Log-Log Error Convergence Plot (FDM vs. Exact Solution)



2. Consider the nonlinear boundary value problem:
 $-u'' + \sin(u) = 0, \quad u(0) = 1, u(1) = 1.$ Solve the problem and check the accuracy of your solutions.

sol: By using the method which has show in (1), then we have

