

1. Consider the boundary value problem

$$u'' = f, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 0,$$

where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0.4 \leq x \leq 0.6, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Find the exact solution of this problem.
- Solve the problem using finite difference method and check the accuracy of your solutions.

sol:

Guess

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} ax, & \text{if } x \leq 0.4, \\ c + dx + \frac{1}{2}x^2 & \text{if } 0.4 \leq x \leq 0.6, \\ b(1 - x) & \text{if } x \geq 0.6. \end{cases}$$

When  $x = 0.4$ , by continuity of  $u$ , we have

$$0.4a = c + 0.4d + \frac{1}{2}0.4^2 \quad (1)$$

Moreover, by continuity of  $u'$ , we have

$$a = d + 0.4 \quad (2)$$

Similarly for  $x = 0.6$ , then we have the linear system

$$\begin{cases} 0.4a = c + 0.4d + \frac{1}{2}0.4^2 & (1) \\ a = d + 0.4 & (2) \\ 0.4b = c + 0.6d + \frac{1}{2}0.6^2 & (3) \\ -b = d + 0.6 & (4) \end{cases}$$

Substitute (2) into (1), then we get  $c = 0.08$ .

Substitute (4) into (3), then we get  $d = -0.5$ .

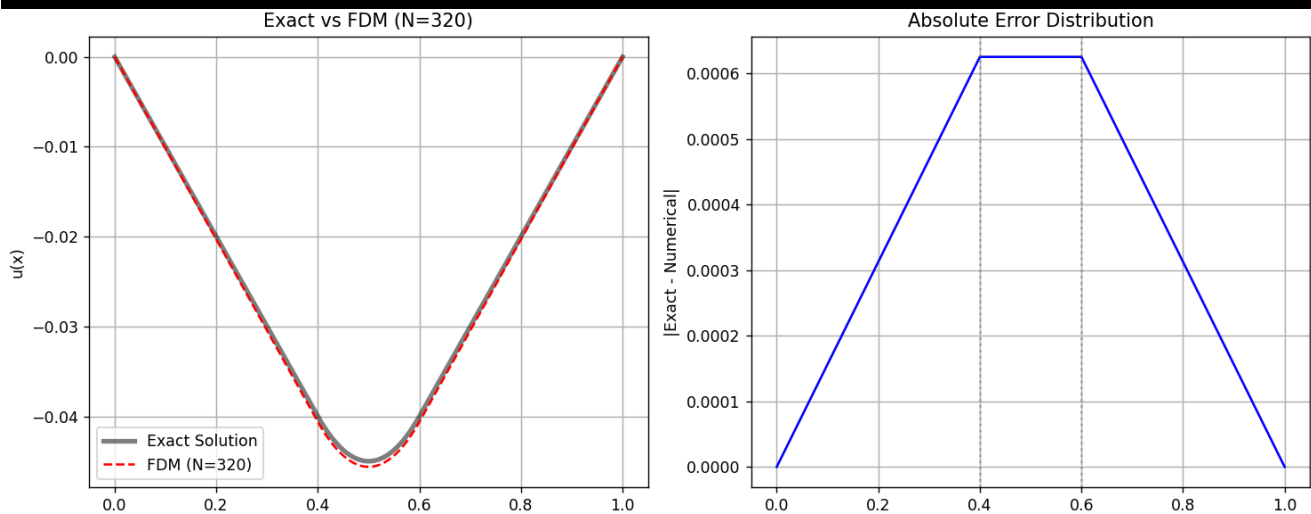
Therefore, we conclude that  $a = -0.1$ ,  $b = -0.1$ , and so the exact solution is

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} -0.1x, & \text{if } x \leq 0.4, \\ 0.08 - 0.5x + 0.5x^2 & \text{if } 0.4 \leq x \leq 0.6, \\ -0.1(1 - x) & \text{if } x \geq 0.6. \end{cases}$$

Next, we want to find the numerical solution by the Finite Difference Method. That is we want to solve  $Au = b$ , where  $A$  is a matrix has the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot -(\beta)$$

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10	0.1000	2.0000e-02	N/A
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2. Consider the boundary value problem:

$$u'' - 2u' + u = 1, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u'(1) = 1.$$

- Show that the solution is unique by considering the homogeneous problem.
- Develop a 2nd-order finite difference method.
- Solve the problem and check the accuracy of your solutions.

sol:

By contradiction, assume  $w(t) = u_1(t) - u_2(t)$  is a solution of the boundary value problem, for any solution  $u_1, u_2$

Since we have the boundary condition,

$$\begin{cases} w'' - 2w' + w = 0 & -(i) \\ w(0) = u_1(0) - u_2(0) = 0 & -(ii) \\ w'(1) = u_1'(1) - u_2'(1) = 0 & -(iii) \end{cases}$$

From the next part, we will show that  $w(t) = c_1 e^t + c_2 t e^t$ . By the boundary condition, we have conclude that,  $c_1 = 0; c_2 = 0$ , which implies that  $u_1(t) = u_2(t)$

Next, we assume the the exact solution has the form  $u(t) = u_h(t) + u_p(t)$ .

Characteristic polynomial  $u'' - 2u' + u = 0$ . Then, we have specify function,  $r^2 - 2r + 1 = 0$ , which implies that  $r = 1$ . Thus we have the exact solution  $u_h(t) = C_1e^t + C_2te^t$ .

For particular solution, we want to find  $u_p(t)$  such that  $\mathcal{L}[u_p] = 1$ . Clearly  $u_p(t) = 1$ . Hence,  $u(t) = C_1e^t + C_2te^t + 1$ , and so that  $u'(t) = C_1e^t + C_2(e^t + te^t)$ .

From  $u(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -1$ . From

$$\begin{aligned} u'(1) = 1 &\Rightarrow -e + C_2(e + e) = 1 \\ (-1 + 2C_2)e &= 1 \\ C_2 &= \frac{1 + e^{-1}}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $u(t) = 1 - e^t + \frac{1+e^{-1}}{2}te^t$ .

For the numerical solution, by central Difference, we have

$$u''(x_i) = \frac{u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1}}{h^2}, \quad u'(x_i) = \frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2h}$$

Substitute it into BDV, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1}}{h^2} - 2\frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2h} + u_i &= 1 \\ u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1} - h(u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}) + h^2u_i &= h^2 \\ (1 + h)u_{i-1} + (h^2 - 2)u_i + (1 - h)u_{i+1} &= h^2 \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, N-1 \end{aligned}$$

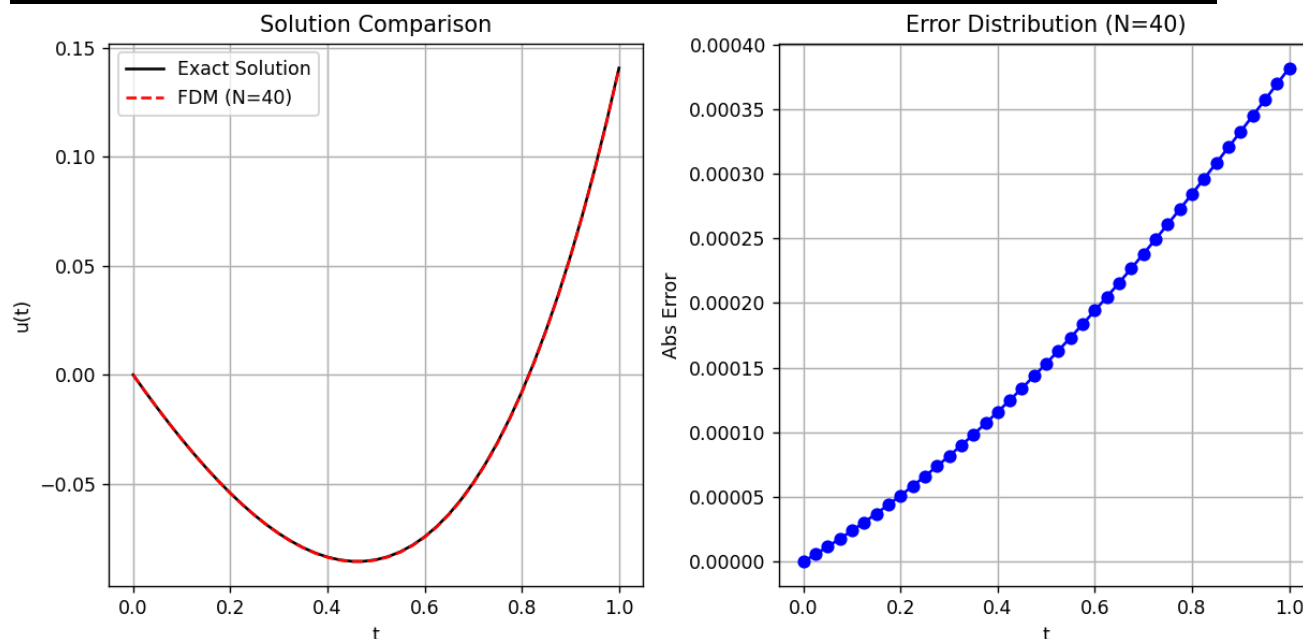
For  $i = 0$ , we have  $u(0) = 0$ . For  $i = N$ , then we have  $u'(1) = \frac{u_{N+1} - u_{N-1}}{2h} = 1$ . Substitute it into the previous function, then

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + h)u_{N-1} + (h^2 - 2)u_N + (1 - h)u_{N+1} &= h^2 \\ 2u_{N-1} + (h^2 - 2)u_N &= h^2 - 2h(1 - h) \end{aligned}$$

That is the matrix has the form that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} h^2 - 2 & 1 - h & & & \\ 1 + h & h^2 - 2 & 1 - h & & \\ & 1 + h & h^2 - 2 & 1 - h & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 2 & h^2 - 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \\ 1 - \frac{2(1-h)}{h} \end{pmatrix}$$

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3. Consider the boundary value problem:

$$u'' = \sin(2\pi x), \quad u'(0) = 0, \quad u'(1) = 0.$$

- Show that the consistency condition is satisfied so that the solution of the problem exists.
- Develop a 2nd-order finite difference method.
- Solve the problem and check the accuracy of your solutions.

sol:

By FTC, we have  $u'(1) - u'(0) = 0 = \int_0^1 \sin(2\pi x) dx$ , that is we want to claim that  $\int_0^1 \sin(2\pi x) dx = 0$ .

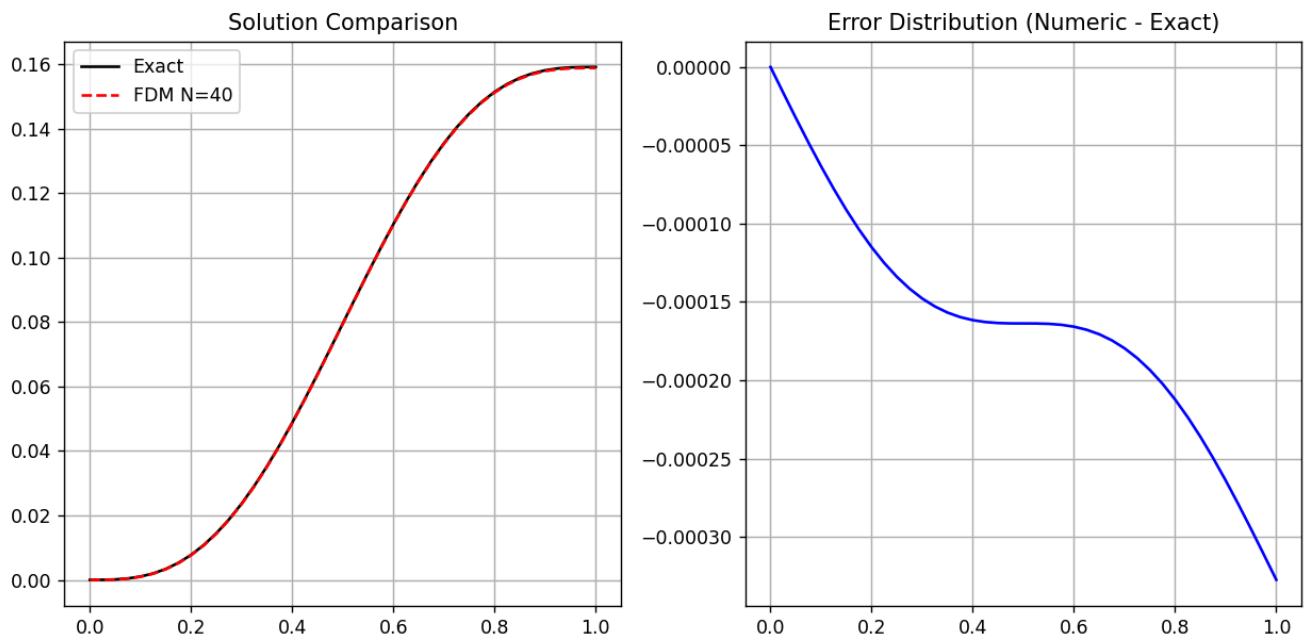
$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \sin(2\pi x) dx &= \left[ -\frac{1}{2\pi} \cos(2\pi x) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} (1 - 1) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

By integrating  $u'' = \sin(2\pi x)$ , we have  $u'(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \cos(2\pi x) + C_1$  — (★). By  $u'(0) = 0$ , then we have  $C_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi}$

Integrate (★), then we have  $u(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} (x - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sin(2\pi x)) + C_2$ . Set  $C_2 = 0$

By FDM, we want to solve  $Au = b$ , where A is a matrix has the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} u = ()$$



4. Consider the boundary value problem:

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

- Determine  $\alpha$  such that the problem has at least one solution.
- Solve the problem by finding one of its solution.

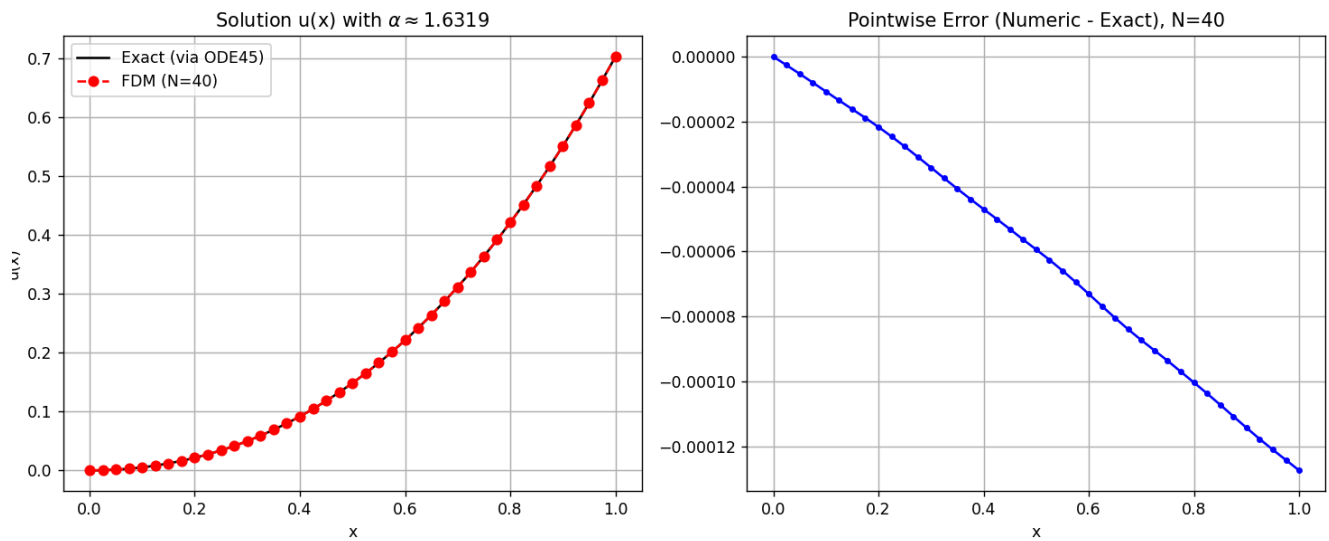
sol:

Similar to problem 3, we want to solve that  $\int_0^1 e^{\sin(x)} dx = u'(1) - u'(0)$ , that is  $\alpha = \int_0^1 e^{\sin(x)} dx$ .

By  $u'(0) = 0$ , then  $u'(x) = \int e^{\sin(x)} dx$ . Therefore,  $u(x) = \int_0^x (\int_0^s e^{\sin(t)} dt) ds$ .

Similar to problem 1,3, A has the form  $(\beta)$ , for  $i = N$ , we have  $2u_{N-1} - 2u_N = f_N - 2h\alpha$ , that is

$$Au = b \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{h^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_N - \frac{2\alpha}{h} \end{pmatrix}$$



5. Consider the linear boundary value problem:

$$\epsilon u'' + (1 + \epsilon)u' + u = 0, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 1.$$

Solve the problem and check the accuracy of your solutions. Choose  $\epsilon = 0.01$ .

sol:

Choose  $\epsilon = 0.01$ , characteristic polynomial, we have  $0.01r^2 + (1.01)r + 1 = 0$ , and so that

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{-1.01 \pm \sqrt{1.01^2 - 4 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 1}}{2 \cdot 0.01} \\ &= -1, -100 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $u(t) = C_1 e^{-t} + C_2 e^{-100t}$ .

Solve

$$\begin{cases} u(0) = C_1 + C_2 = 0 \\ u(1) = C_1 e^{-1} + C_2 e^{-100} = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$C_1 = -C_2 = \frac{1}{e^{-1} - e^{-100}}. \text{ Thus, } u(t) = \frac{e^{-t} - e^{-100t}}{e^{-1} - e^{-100}}.$$

Exact vs FDM ( $\varepsilon = 0.01$ )

