

## Linear Boundary Value Problems

### Finite Difference Method

#### Numerical Differentiation

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Forward difference formula

OR

$$y'_i(n_i) = \frac{y_i(n_i+h) - y_i(n_i)}{h} + O(h)$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}$$

Backward difference formula

OR

$$y'_i(n_i) = \frac{y_i(n_i) - y_i(n_i-h)}{h} + O(h)$$

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

Central difference formula

OR

$$y'_i(n_i) = \frac{y_i(n_i+h) - y_i(n_i-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

This formula is called forward difference formula

for sufficiently small  $h > 0$

$$\frac{D_h^+ f(x)}{D_h^0 f(x)}$$

#### Theorem

Let  $f \in C^2[a, b]$ . The mathematical error in F.D.M.

$$\text{is } f'(x) - D_h^+ f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} f''(\xi) \quad \text{for some } \xi \in (x, x+h)$$

$$\text{Proof: } f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(\xi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x) + \frac{h}{2} f''(\xi)$$

$$\Rightarrow D_h^+ f(x) = f'(x) + \frac{h}{2} f''(\xi)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) - D_h^+ f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} f''(\xi)$$

[Now how fast the mathematical error converges to 0 as  $h \rightarrow 0$ ]

$$\text{for that } f'(x) - D_h^+ f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} f''(\xi)$$

expression of

Mathematical error

$$|g| = \left| \frac{h}{2} \right| f''(\xi)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{g}{h} \right| = \frac{1}{2} f''(\xi)$$

$$\text{Let } g(h) = f'(x) - D_h^+ f(x) \text{ then}$$

$$\left( \frac{g(h)}{h} \right) = \frac{1}{2} |f''(\xi)|$$

for  $M > 0$  s.t.  $|f''(x)| \leq M$   $\forall x \in [a, b]$

(assume  $f''$  exist

& it is a continuous function

& it is restricted to  $[a, b]$

so, it is a bounded function)

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{g(h)}{h} \right| \leq \frac{M}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{g(h)}{h} \right| \leq \frac{M}{2} \Rightarrow g = O(h)$$

$$\Rightarrow h \rightarrow 0$$

If  $f(x) \in g(x)$  then

$f(x) = O(g(x))$

then

$|f(x)| \leq C |g(x)|$

if  $x \in (x_0, x_0+h)$

$\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \leq C$

In such situations, we can say that

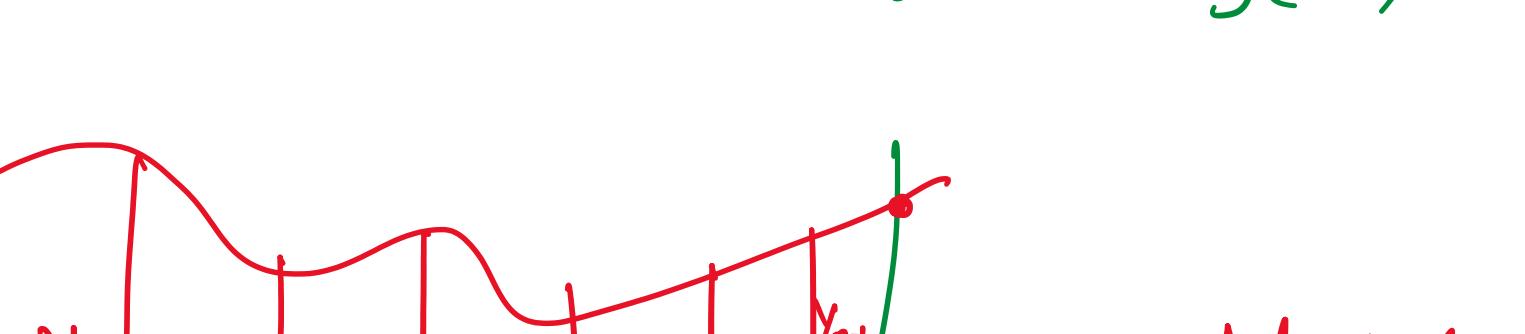
Forward Difference formula ( $D_h^{(+)}$ ) is of order 1

(Order of accuracy)

#### FDM for linear boundary value problem

$$f_1(x) y'' + f_2(x) y' + f_3(x) y = r(x)$$

which required to solve in  $(x_0, x_n)$  under  $y(x_0) = y_0$  &  $y(x_n) = y_n$



$$y'' = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$

$$y' = \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$$

For 2nd order ODE, boundary condition may be any one of the form

1.  $y(x_0) = y_0$  &  $y(x_n) = y_n \rightarrow$  Dirichlet's Condition

2.  $y'(x_0) = y'_0$  &  $y'(x_n) = y'_n \rightarrow$  Neumann Condition

3.  $y'(x_0) = y'_0$  &  $y(x_n) = y_n \rightarrow$  (One side Dirichlet's condition)

4.  $y(x_0) = y_0$  &  $y'(x_n) = y'_n \rightarrow$

5.  $y(x_0) = y_0$  &  $y(x_n) + y'(x_n) = b \rightarrow$  Mixed Condition

6.  $y(x_0) + y'(x_0) = a$  &  $y'(x_n) = y'_n \rightarrow$  Mixed Condition

#### Dirichlet Problem by FDM

Method consists of dividing  $(x_0, x_n)$  into  $n$  subintervals.

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} \text{ s.t. } x_i = x_0 + i \cdot h$$

Let  $D.E.$

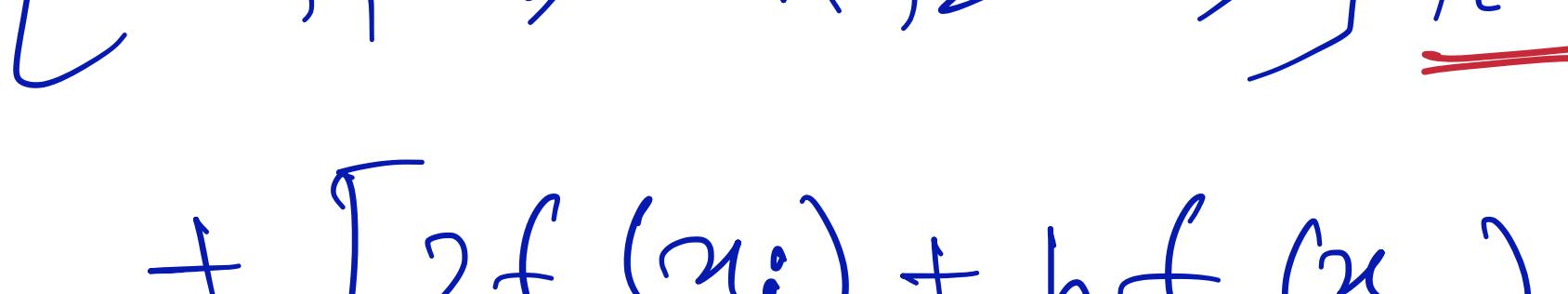
$$f_1(x) y'' + f_2(x) y' + f_3(x) y = r(x)$$

$$\text{with } y(x_0) = y_0 \text{ & } y(x_n) = y_n$$

$$x_i = x_0 + i \cdot h$$

$$x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$$

Let  $y(x_i) = y_i$



Now, by Taylor Series expansion we have

$$y_i(x_i+h) = y_i + h y'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_i) + \frac{h^3}{3!} y'''(x_i) + \dots \quad (1)$$

$$y_i(x_i-h) = y_i - h y'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_i) - \frac{h^3}{3!} y'''(x_i) + \dots \quad (2)$$

Subtracting (1) & (2)

$$y'_i(x_i) = \frac{y_i(x_i+h) - y_i(x_i-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

$$= \frac{y_{i+1} - y_{i-1}}{2h}$$

Adding (1) & (2)

$$y_i(x_i+h) + y_i(x_i-h) = 2y_i + 2 \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(x_i) + O(h^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{i+1} - 2y_i + y_{i-1} = h^2 y''(x_i) + O(h^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow y''(x_i) = \frac{y_{i+1} - 2y_i + y_{i-1}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$

$$f_1(x) y'' + f_2(x) y' + f_3(x) y = r(x)$$

$$f_1(x_i) \left[ \frac{y_{i+1} - 2y_i + y_{i-1}}{h^2} \right] + f_2(x_i) \left[ \frac{y_{i+1} - y_{i-1}}{2h} \right] + f_3(x_i) y_i = r(x_i)$$

$$= r(x_i)$$

Which on arranging,

$$\left[ 2f_1(x_i) - h f_2(x_i) \right] y_{i-1} + \left[ 2h^2 f_3(x_i) - 4f_1(x_i) \right] y_i + \left[ 2f_1(x_i) + h f_2(x_i) \right] y_{i+1} = 2h^2 r(x_i)$$

$$+ \left[ 2f_1(x_i) + h f_2(x_i) \right] y_{i+1} = 2h^2 r(x_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ 2f_1(x_i) - h f_2(x_i) \right] y_{i-1} + \left[ 2h^2 f_3(x_i) - 4f_1(x_i) \right] y_i + \left[ 2f_1(x_i) + h f_2(x_i) \right] y_{i+1} = 2h^2 r(x_i)}$$