

## 1.(d) Forward differencing of $\sin(\cos(\tan(x^2)))$

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clear ALL;
clc;

syms x h;
fx = sin(cos(tan(x^2)));
diff_fx = diff(fx);
fdm_fx = (subs(fx, x, x + h) - fx) / h;
fdm_to_plot = subs(fdm_fx, h, 0.01); % reduced value of h for better accuracy

figure;
hold ON;
fplot(diff_fx, [0 pi], 'red--');
fplot(fdm_to_plot, [0 pi], 'blue.-');
legend("d/dx(sin(cos(tan(x^2))))", "CDM(sin(cos(tan(x^2))))");
title("Central differencing of sin(cos(tan(x^2)))");
xlabel("x \rightarrow");
ylabel("d/dx(sin(cos(tan(x^2)))) \rightarrow");
hold OFF;
grid ON;
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### Key takeaways –

1. Use of **Symbolic Mathematical Toolkit** to symbolically represent functions and derive inferences and operate on them. Using `syms` keyword we can declare symbolic variables. Like `syms x h` declares two symbolic variables  $x$  and  $h$ .
2. Use of function `subs` to substitute value of a function argument by another value. Like `subs(fx, x, x + h)` means replace the argument of  $f(x)$  from  $x$  to  $x + h$ .
3. Use of function `fplot` to plot functions. Like `fplot(sin(x), [-2*pi 2*pi])` plots the sine function within the limits  $-2\pi$  to  $2\pi$ .

Code for Experiment no. 1 can be downloaded from <https://github.com/bhargawanabhuyan/computational-electromagnetics/raw/main/exp1.mlx>