DS 289: Numerical Solution of Differential Equations

Assignment 2

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Total points: 100

Please follow the below instructions in preparing the solutions:

- 1. Provide solutions in the same order as questions.
- 2. All the codes should be in C/C++/Fortran. Use Matlab or Python for plotting graphs.
- 3. The report should be in a PDF format with the necessary steps, plots, explanations and discussions.
- 4. Compile all the solutions, including graphs, into a single PDF file.
- 5. Create a separate folder for each question that involves a code. Provide the code, input and output files, which are used to obtain the solution, in the folder.
- 6. For submission, create a single ZIP file that includes the code folders and the report. Name the ZIP file as $DS289_A2_firstname_lastname.zip$ (your first and last names) and upload into MS Teams assignment portal.
- 7. All the codes will be scrutinized for plagiarism. Do not copy the codes from others or internet.
- 8. Late submission penalty is 10 points per day.

Questions

1. Consider a rectangular plate $R = \{(x,y): 2 \le x \le 3, 4 \le y \le 6\}$ with the heat conduction equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

The boundary conditions are: T(2,y) = 30, T(3,y) = 60, $\partial T/\partial y(x,4) = 0$, and $\partial T/\partial y(x,6) = (T(x,6)-60)$. (a) Approximate the equation using second order central difference and obtain the algebraic equation. Use a 128×256 grid. (b) Write the structure of the coefficient matrix. (c) Solve the algebraic system using a direct solver. Standard linear solver libraries can be used. (d) Plot contours of the solution with appropriate x-y coordinates. (20 points)

- 2. Show that a two level scheme with $\theta \ge 0.5$ (as described in class) for time derivative and a second order central difference for space derivative results in an unconditionally stable method for diffusion equation. (10 points)
- 3. (a) Use the explicit Euler and second order central difference schemes to discretise the diffusion equation $(u_t = \alpha u_{xx})$, and obtain the modified equation. (b) Comment on the (dissipative and dispersive) nature of errors. (10 points)
- 4. (a) Derive the analytical solution for the equation in question 3 (use $\alpha = 1.5$). The initial condition is $u(x,0) = \sin(4x) + \sin(x)$. The domain size is 2π with a periodic boundary condition.
 - (b) Perform numerical experiments with a constant r_d of 1/2 and 1/6(= 0.166667), and grid sizes $N = \{32, 64, 128, 256\}$. Here, r_d is the stability parameter. In each simulation, evolve the solution to an end time $t_{end} = 0.4$.
 - (c) Use the analytical solution to compute the average of absolute error (E(N)) in each simulation at $t = t_{end}$.
 - (d) In a graph with logarithmic scale, plot N vs E(N) for $r_d = 1/2$ and 1/6. Obtain the order of accuracy for the two r_d cases.
 - (e) Explain the abnormal order of accuracy observed in $r_d = 1/6$ case. Hint: analyse the modified equation. (25 points)

- 5. (a) Perform numerical experiments with implicit Euler scheme. Use the same equation and parameters provided in questions 3 and 4. Solver the linear system at each time step using the Jacobi method (tolerance $= 10^{-4}$; do not use any libraries).
 - (b) In a N vs E(N) graph, compare the errors with explicit method for $r_d = 1/2$. Provide an explanation for your observations. (20 points)
- 6. The transient 1D heat conduction problem is modelled as

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

where T(x,t) is the temperature, and α (a constant) is the thermal diffusivity. This equation is approximated using

$$\frac{T_i^{n+1} - T_i^n}{\Delta t} = \alpha \frac{T_{i+1}^{n-k} - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2}$$

where $T_i^n = T(x_i, t_n)$, Δx is the grid spacing, Δt is the time step, and k is a constant $(\neq 0)$. (a) Find the expression for truncation error. (b) What is the order of accuracy? (c) Is this a consistent finite difference approximation? (15 points)

Note: Do not hesitate of contact me if you any questions or doubts.