

ME 2450 Assignment HW 6

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NOTE: All problems in this HW is ODE BVPs. No order reduction is needed for BVPs

Q1 (10 pts)

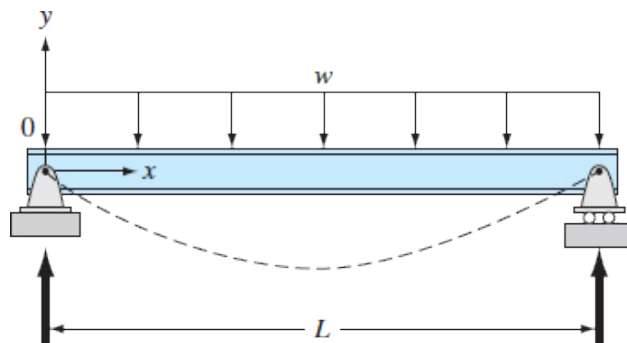
Use the finite-difference method to solve the BVP:

$$7 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2 \frac{dy}{dx} - y + x = 0$$

with $y(0) = 5$ and $y(20) = 8$.

1. Use a step size of 5 and solve the problem by hand. Include your work in the submitted pdf.
Hint: The result should be a linear system, which you can use any code/function to solve. In the end, please write down all matrices, vectors, and solution values clearly.
2. Write a code to solve the problem. Plot $y(x)$ for at least 5 different step sizes (starting with $h = 5$ to check your hand-written results) on the same plot to illustrate convergence. *If you have difficulties assembling the matrix of different sizes by coding, take a look at the example code files in the Canvas folder for this HW.* Submit your plot in the pdf. Include ALL your code.

Q2 (10 pts)



The basic differential equation of the elastic curve for a uniformly loaded beam is given as:

$$EI \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{wLx}{2} - \frac{wx^2}{2}$$

where E is the modulus of elasticity and I is the moment of inertia. Solve for the deflection, y , of the beam using the finite-difference approach with $h = 2$ [ft]. The following parameter values apply: $E = 30,000$ [ksi], $I = 800$ [in⁴], $w = 1$ [kip/ft], $L = 10$ [ft]. Be careful of units. Compare your numerical results to the following analytical solution by plotting both on the same plot:

$$y = \frac{wLx^3}{12EI} - \frac{wx^4}{24EI} - \frac{wL^3x}{24EI}$$

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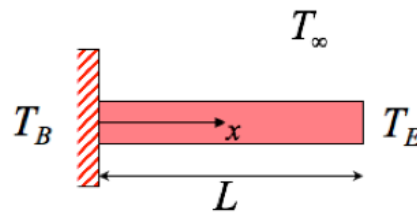
Q3: (15+5 pts) Heat Transfer in a Thin Rod

Figure 1: Schematic of heat transfer in a thin rod with round cross-section.

In class (videos), a model of heat transfer in a thin rod (Figure 1) was presented. This might represent the cooling effect of a heatsink in a computer, or the cooling of a rod in a nuclear reactor. In the case shown, the ODE for temperature, T , with respect to location on the rod, x , is:

$$\frac{d^2T}{dx^2} = \frac{hP}{\kappa A} (T - T_\infty) \quad (1)$$

where the parameters are defined as follows:

- h is the heat transfer coefficient (in $\text{W}/\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$)
- κ is the thermal conductivity of the rod material (in $\text{W}/\text{m} \cdot \text{K}$)
- P is the perimeter of the cross-sectional area of the rod (in m)
- A is the cross-sectional area of the rod (in m^2)
- T_∞ is the ambient temperature (in K)

Finite Difference Method

The finite difference method (Section 27.1.2 of the Textbook) involves replacing derivatives in a differential equation with finite difference approximations. For this assignment, you will use this method AND one of your linear system methods (e.g. Gauss elimination, Gauss-Seidel) to solve for temperatures in a cooling rod.

Parameter Definitions

For all exercises, use the following parameters:

$h = 20\text{W}/\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$			$\kappa = 200\text{W}/\text{m} \cdot \text{K}$		
$L = 2.0\text{m}$			$D = 0.1\text{m}$		
$T_\infty = 300\text{K}$		$T_B = 600\text{K}$		$T_E = 350\text{K}$	

- D is the diameter of the round rod (in m)
- L is the length of the round rod (in m)

Exercise 1 (5 pts): Finite Difference Method by Hand

- Discretize the rod into 5 nodes, where one node lies at the left edge and one lies at the right edge and write the system of equations.
- Solve this system of equations either by hand or using one of your codes (e.g. Gauss elimination, LU, or Gauss-Seidel). Include ALL your code.

Exercise 2 (10 pts): Finite Difference Method

- Discretize the rod into 51 nodes, where one node lies at the left edge and one lies at the right edge and write a code to generate the system of equations. Include ALL your code.
(Hint: **You matrix should be 49-by-49 in size.** If you have difficulties assembling the matrix by coding, take a look at the example code files in the Canvas folder for this HW)
- Solve this system of equations using one of your codes (e.g. Gauss elimination, LU, or Gauss-Seidel). Include ALL your code.
- Plot the temperature vs. position along the rod. How do these values compare to your results from the calculation in Exercise 1?

Extra Credit Exercise (+5 pts): Built-in Solvers

- Use a built-in direct ODE BVP solver (e.g. `bvp4c` in Matlab or `scipy.integrate.solve_bvp` in Python or any other built-in method of your choosing) to solve the problem.
- Compare this result with your results from the finite difference code by plotting them together.
- NOTE: Dr. Pai and your TA will NOT answer any question regarding this extra credit exercise. Using a built-in solver is generally much easier than coding up your own method.
The only challenge here is your self-study ability to find the correct way to use a new tool.