

2010

Includes Solutions

Calculator

Question 1.

**Answer in a separate book marked Question 1.**

Week 6  
Least-square regression  
 $y = ax + b$   
matrix

(a) The heat-transfer coefficient ( $h$ ) in a forced convection heat transfer in cross-flow past a cylinder at room temperature is found to vary with the velocity of the fluid ( $v$ ) flowing past the cylinder as follows:

$v_i$ (m/s)	2	4	6	8
$h_i$ (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)	6,000	10,000	13,000	15,000

Fit a linear equation between  $h$  and  $v$ .

least squares.

$$f(x) = 6000 + 10000(x-2) + 13000(x-6) + 15000(x-8)$$

$$= 6000 + 10000x - 20000 + 13000x - 78000 + 15000x - 120000$$

$$= 38000x - 212000$$

(b) Compute forward difference approximation of  $O(\Delta x)$  and central difference approximation of  $O(\Delta x)^2$  for the first derivative of  $f(x) = e^x + x$  at  $x = 1$ , using a value of  $\Delta x = 0.25$ .

Calculate the percentage relative errors for each approximation by comparing with exact solution and discuss your results.

The exact solution is:  $f'(1) = e^1 + 1 = 3.71828$

$$f'(x) = xe^x + 1$$

$$= 1 \times e^1 + 1$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \right]$$

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Question 2.

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The fourth-order Runge-Kutta method can be written as:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

where

$$k_1 = f(x_i, y_i)$$

$$k_2 = f(x_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}hk_1)$$

$$k_3 = f(x_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}hk_2)$$

$$k_4 = f(x_i + h, y_i + hk_3)$$

(a) Find the solution of the initial value problem:

$$y' = 3y + 3t \quad \text{with } y(0) = 1$$

at  $t=0.2$

(i) Using Euler's method with  $h = 0.2$ .

(ii) Using the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method with  $h = 0.2$ .

(iii) Compare the results with the exact solution  $y(t) = \frac{4}{3}e^{3t} - t - \frac{1}{3}$  and find the percentage errors for the results obtained in (i) and (ii).

(iv) Why do you have improvement in the case of the Runge-Kutta method?

(b) Consider the second order differential equation

$$2x''(t) - 5x'(t) - 3x(t) = 45e^{2t}$$

Reformulate this equation as a system of two first order differential equations.

$$y = x'(t)$$

$$y'(t) = x''(t)$$

hence

$$2y'(t) - 5y(t) - 3x(t) = 45e^{2t} \quad (1)$$

$$2x''(t) = 45e^{2t} + 5x'(t) + 3x(t) \quad (2)$$

$$2x''(t) - 5x'(t) - 3x(t) = 45e^{2t}$$

$$\text{Let } y(t) = x'(t) \quad (1) \quad (\text{i.e. } y'(t) = x''(t))$$

$$\therefore 2y'(t) - 5y(t) - 3x(t) = 45e^{2t} \quad (2)$$

Week 9  
Lecture  
Notes

Question 3.

**Answer in a separate book marked Question 3.**

The heat conduction equation which models the temperature in an insulated rod with ends held at constant temperatures can be written in the dimensionless form as:

$$\frac{\partial \Theta(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 \Theta(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

$\Theta$  is just a random parameter e.g.  $T, \alpha$  etc.

- (a) Write a finite difference approximation of this equation using the Forward-Time, Central-Space (FTCS) scheme and rearrange it to be solved by an explicit method.

- (b) Solve this equation and calculate the temperature  $\Theta(x,t)$  at  $t = 0.3$  and  $x = 0.5$  if the initial condition is

$$\Theta(x, t = 0) = 1 \quad (0 < x \leq 1)$$

and the boundary conditions at the ends of the rod are

$$\Theta(x = 0, t) = 0; \quad \Theta(x = 1, t) = 1.$$

Use value of 0.5 for the step in space,  $\Delta x$ , and value of 0.1 for the time step,  $\Delta t$ .

$$\Delta x = 0.5, \quad \Delta t = 0.1$$

- (c) If the calculations in the previous part were repeated with  $\Delta x = 0.1$  to reduce truncation error and  $\Delta t$  kept equal to 0.1, what difficulty would be encountered? Do not repeat the finite difference calculations to determine your answer.

$$\Delta x = 0.1$$

$$\Delta t = 0.1$$

$$\text{stability: } \alpha \left[ \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \right] = \frac{0.1}{0.1^2} = 10$$

This is greater than 0.5 so UNSTABLE.





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(1) (a)

x	V (m/s)	2	4	6	8
y	h (W/m <sup>2</sup> k)	6000	10000	13000	15000

Linear Equation  $\rightarrow y = ax + b$

Can be found by solving matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i & n \\ \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a \\ b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$n = 4$

$\sum x_i = 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 = 20$

$\sum x_i^2 = 2^2 + 4^2 + 6^2 + 8^2 = 120$

$\sum y_i = 6000 + 10000 + 13000 + 15000 = 44000$

$\sum x_i y_i = (2 \times 6000) + (4 \times 10000) + (6 \times 13000) + (8 \times 15000) = 250000$

$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 4 \\ 120 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a \\ b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 44000 \\ 250000 \end{bmatrix}$

(I)  $20a + 4b = 44000 \rightarrow a = \frac{44000 - 4b}{20}$

(II)  $120a + 20b = 250000$

Sub (I) into (II)

$120 \left( \frac{44000 - 4b}{20} \right) + 20b = 250000$

$264000 - 24b + 20b = 250000$

$-4b = -14000$

$b = 3500$

Sub into (I)

$a = \frac{44000 - 4(3500)}{20} = 1500$

$\therefore y = 1500x + 3500$

$y = Ax + Bx$



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(1) (b)

$$f(x) = e^x + x.$$

$$x = 1 \quad \Delta x = 0.25.$$

$$\text{exact solution} = f'(1) = 3.71828.$$

Notation	x	f(x)
i-1	0.75	2.86700
i	1	3.71828
i+1	1.25	4.740343

→ Forward Difference Approximation

$$\begin{aligned} \text{1st order: } f' &= \frac{f_{i+1} - f_i}{\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{4.740343 - 3.71828}{0.25} \\ &= \underline{\underline{4.088252}} \end{aligned}$$

→ Central Difference Approximation.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{2nd Order: } f' &= \frac{f_{i+1} - f_{i-1}}{2\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{4.740343 - 2.86700}{0.5} \\ &= \underline{\underline{3.746686}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\text{Exact} - \text{found}}{\text{Exact}} \times 100$$

→ Percentage relative errors.

$$\text{Forward Diff.} = \frac{3.71828 - 4.088252}{3.71828} \times 100 = -9.95\%$$

$$\text{Central Diff.} = \frac{3.71828 - 3.746686}{3.71828} \times 100 = -0.76\%$$

• It can be concluded that central diff is a far more accurate and faster converging method, as it is a higher order.

(2)(a)

$$y' = 3y + 3t$$

$$\text{at } t = 0.2,$$

$$y_0 = 1.$$

(i) Euler's Method with  $h = 0.2$ .

$$\text{i.e. } t_0 = 0, \quad y_0 = 1.$$

$$t_{0.2} = 0.2, \quad y_{0.2} = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_{0.2} &= y_0 + h [f(t_0, y_0)] \\ &= 1 + 0.2 [3y_0 + 3t_0] \\ &= 1 + 0.2 [3 \times 1 + 3 \times 0] \\ &= \underline{\underline{1.6}} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Fourth-order Runge-Kutta Method.

$$y_{0.2} = y_0 + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

$$k_1 = f(t_0, y_0) = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} k_2 &= f\left(t_0 + \frac{1}{2}h, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}hk_1\right) \\ &= f\left(0 + 0.1, 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.2 \times 3\right) \\ &= f(0.1, 1.3) \\ &= (3 \times 1.3) + (3 \times 0.1) = \underline{\underline{4.2}} \end{aligned}$$



(2)(a)(ii) cont.

$$\begin{aligned}k_3 &= f\left(t_0 + \frac{1}{2}h, y_0 + \frac{1}{2}h k_2\right) \\&= f\left(0 + 0.1, 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.2 \times 4.2\right) \\&= f(0.1, 1.42) \\&= (3 \times 1.42) + (3 \times 0.1) = \underline{4.56}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}k_4 &= f(t_0 + h, y_0 + h k_3) \\&= f(0 + 0.2, 1 + 0.2 \times 4.56) \\&= f(0.2, 1.912) \\&= (3 \times 1.912) + (3 \times 0.2) = \underline{6.336}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore y_{0.2} &= y_0 + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \\&= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{30} \times 3\right) + (2 \times 4.2) + (2 \times 4.56) + 6.336 \\&= 1 + \frac{0.2}{6}(3 + (2 \times 4.2) + (2 \times 4.56) + 6.336) \\&= 1 + \frac{1}{30}(26.856) \\&= \underline{1.8952} \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(iii) Exact Solution: } y(t) &= \frac{4}{3}e^{3t} - t - \frac{1}{3} \\y(0.2) &= \frac{4}{3}e^{0.6} - 0.2 - \frac{1}{3} \\&= \underline{1.89616}\end{aligned}$$

Percentage errors:

$$\text{Eulers} \rightarrow \frac{1.89616 - 1.6}{1.89616} \times 100 = \underline{-15.62\%}$$

$$\text{Runge-Kutta} \rightarrow \frac{1.89616 - 1.8952}{1.89616} \times 100 = \underline{-0.05\%}$$

(iv)

ignore.

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(3)(a)  $\frac{d\Theta(x,t)}{dt} = \frac{\partial^2 \Theta(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$

Applying Forward-Time, Central-Space (FTCS)

$$\frac{\phi_{i,j+1} - \phi_{i,j}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\phi_{i+1,j} - 2\phi_{i,j} + \phi_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2}$$

Rearranging method: to be solved by an explicit

$$\phi_{i,j+1} = \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right)\phi_{i+1,j} + \left(\frac{1-2\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right)\phi_{i,j} + \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right)\phi_{i-1,j}$$

(b). Solve this equation.

Determine  $\Theta(x,t)$  at  $t=0.3$  and  $x=0.5$ .

$$\Delta t = 0.1$$

$$\Delta x = 0.5$$

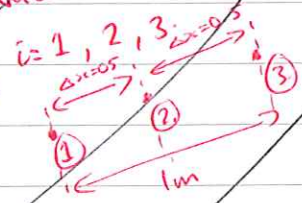
$$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{0.1}{0.5^2}$$

$$= 0.4 < 0.5$$

$$\frac{1-2\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{1-2 \times 0.1}{0.5^2}$$

$$= 3.2$$

note: indicates 3 values between boundaries



$\therefore$  stable.

$$\therefore \phi_{i,j+1} = 0.4\phi_{i+1,j} + 3.2\phi_{i,j} + 0.4\phi_{i-1,j}$$

Initial conditions.

$$\Theta(x, 0) = 1$$

for  $0 < x \leq 1$ .

$$\Theta(0, t) = 0$$

$$\Theta(1, t) = 1$$

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(3)

$$\frac{\partial \phi(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 \phi(x,t)}{\partial x^2}.$$

(a) By applying the Forward-Time, Central-Space Scheme (FTCS) we get.

$$\frac{\phi_{i,j+1} - \phi_{i,j}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\phi_{i+1,j} - 2\phi_{i,j} + \phi_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2}.$$

By rearranging to allow explicit solving we get:

$$\underline{\underline{\phi_{i,j+1} = \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right) \phi_{i+1,j} + \left(1 - \frac{2\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right) \phi_{i,j} + \left(\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}\right) \phi_{i-1,j}}}}$$

(b) Solve  $\phi(x,t)$  at  $t=0.3$  and  $x=0.5$ .

Initial Condition:  $\phi(x,0) = 1 \quad 0 < x \leq 1$ .

Boundary Conditions:  $\phi(0,t) = 0$   
 $\phi(1,t) = 1$ .

$$\Delta x = 0.5$$

and

$$\Delta t = 0.1$$

First, we must check for stability.

$$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{0.1}{0.5^2} = \underline{0.4} \leq 0.5 \quad \therefore \text{stable } \checkmark$$

$$1 - \frac{2\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = 1 - \frac{2 \times 0.1}{0.5^2} = \underline{0.2}$$

We can write our initial equation as:

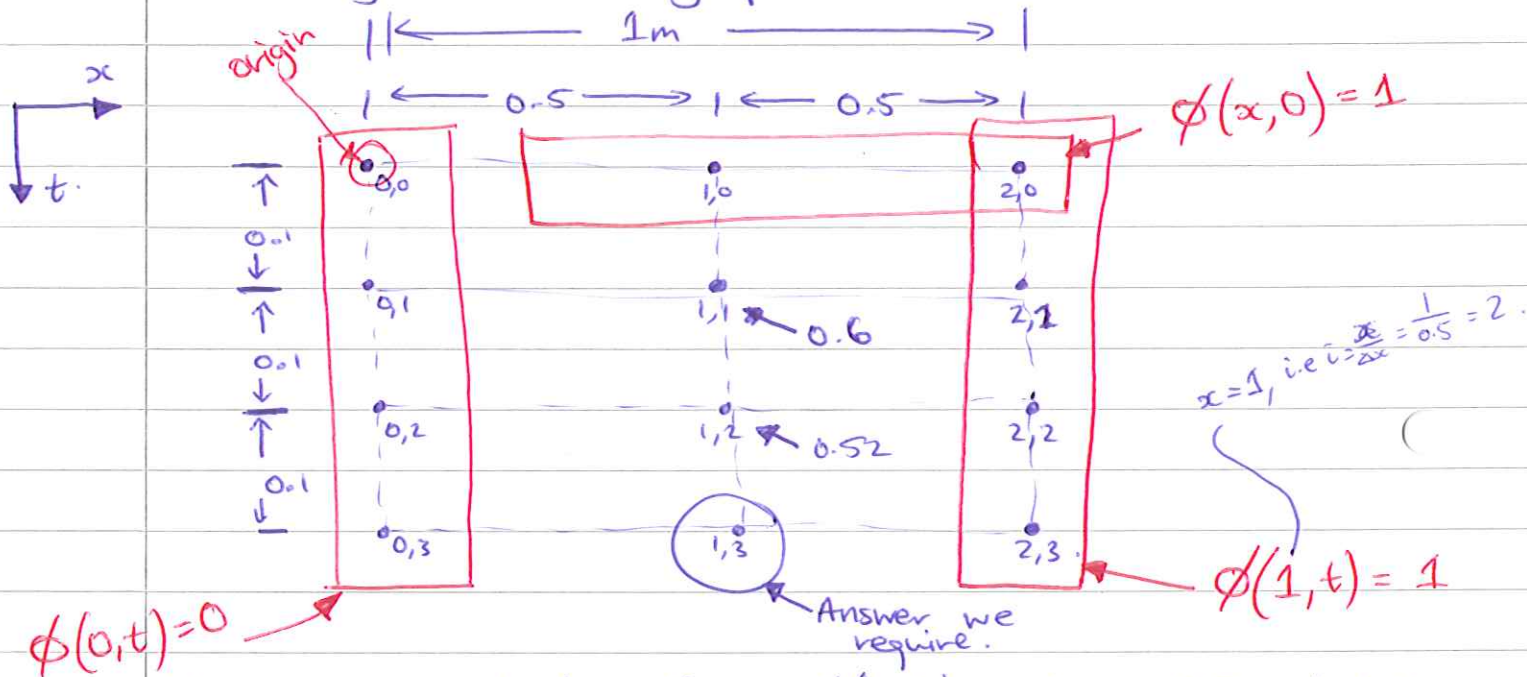
$$\underline{\underline{\phi_{i,j+1} = 0.4 \phi_{i+1,j} + 0.2 \phi_{i,j} + 0.4 \phi_{i-1,j}}}}$$



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(3.) (b) cont.

Drawing a graphical interpretation



We are asked for  $\phi(x,t)$  at  $x=0.5$ ,  $t=0.3$   
In terms of  $i$  &  $j$  notation we have

**IMPORTANT** →

$$\hat{i} = \frac{x}{\Delta x} = \frac{0.5}{0.5} = 1.$$

$$\hat{j} = \frac{t}{\Delta t} = \frac{0.3}{0.1} = 3.$$

→ In other words, we require  $\phi_{i,j} = \phi_{1,3}$ . (see above)

→ First we must find  $\phi_{1,1}$   
Using  $\hat{i} = 1$  (displacement) and  $\hat{j} = 0$  (time).  
$$\phi_{1,1} = 0.4 \phi_{2,0} + 0.2 \phi_{1,0} + 0.4 \phi_{0,0}$$

Applying Initial Conditions.

$$\phi_{1,1} = 0.4 + 0.2 = \underline{\underline{0.6}}$$

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③ (b) cont.

Next, we need to find  $\phi_{1,2}$   
Using  $i=1$  and  $j=1$ .

$$\phi_{1,2} = 0.4 \underbrace{\phi_{2,1}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 1}} + 0.2 \underbrace{\phi_{1,1}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 0.6}} + 0.4 \underbrace{\phi_{0,1}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 0}}$$

Applying initial / boundary conditions.

$$\phi_{1,2} = 0.4 + 0.12 = \underline{\underline{0.52}}$$

Now we can determine  $\phi_{1,3}$ .

Using  $i=1$  and  $j=2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{i,j+1} &= 0.4 \phi_{i+1,j} + 0.2 \phi_{i,j} + 0.4 \phi_{i-1,j} \\ \phi_{1,3} &= 0.4 \underbrace{\phi_{2,2}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 1}} + 0.2 \underbrace{\phi_{1,2}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 0.52}} + 0.4 \underbrace{\phi_{0,2}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 0}} \end{aligned}$$

Applying initial / boundary conditions

$$\phi_{1,3} = 0.4 + 0.104 = \underline{\underline{0.504}}$$

In conclusion,  $\phi(0.5, 0.3) = \phi_{1,3} = \underline{\underline{0.504}}$

(c) If we were to set  $\Delta x = 0.1$   
and  $\Delta t = 0.1$ .

$$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{0.1}{0.1^2} = 10 \geq 0.5.$$

As this value is greater than 0.5, instability will result.

