MAE6220 Homework 2

Due September 26 (at 6pm via email)

1. Consider the following finite-difference formulas for the first derivative, $\partial \phi / \partial x$, on a uniform grid with spacing, h:

$$\frac{\delta\phi_{j}}{\delta x} = \frac{-\phi_{j+2} + 8\phi_{j+1} - 8\phi_{j-1} + \phi_{j-2}}{12h}$$

$$= \frac{2\phi_{j+1} + 3\phi_{j} - 6\phi_{j-1} + \phi_{j-2}}{6h}$$
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$$= \frac{2\phi_{j+1} + 3\phi_j - 6\phi_{j-1} + \phi_{j-2}}{6h} \tag{2}$$

Using Taylor series expansions demonstrate the formal order of accuracy of each of the above formulas.

2. Consider the non-uniform grid shown in the figure. Construct an one-sided finite-difference formula, which is 3^{nd} order accurate, to compute the first derivative, $\partial \phi/\partial x$, at point j on the wall.

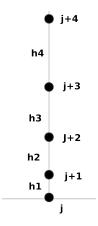


Figure 1: Stretched one-dimensional grid near a wall