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In this projekt the finite element method and application of it in the form of the PDE toolbox of matlab was explored. The finite element method(FEM) can be used to approximate continous functions by using piecewise linear functions between nodes, whose values is the solution at these points. When doing this in 1 dimension it is similar to just calculate the value of the points analytically and interpolate between them. However in higher dimensions FEM starts to shine since it can be used to calculate the solution to equation on complex domains by fitting a triangular mesh on them. This makes it a useful tool when solving thing like heat equations or motion of fluids in 2 or 3 dimensions which might be close to impossible to solve purely analytically.

The first part consisted of solving the steady state heat equation  $-k \frac{dT^2}{dx^2} = Q + h(T_{ext} - T)$  with  $k=h=1$  and  $Q=0$  and with boundary conditions  $T(0)=40$  and  $T(10)=200$  and  $T_{ext} = 20$ . By calling  $\frac{dT^2}{dx^2} = T''$  we arrive at the equation  $-T'' + T = T_{ext}$ . In order to solve this with FEM we first need to compute the weak solution. This is done in a couple of steps. First we multiply with a test function  $v$  which fullfill the criteria of belonging to a space which is continous on the intervall in question, 0 to 10, whose derivative is picewise continous and limited on  $[0, 10]$ , and  $v(0) = \alpha, (10) = \beta$ . Next we integrate it to get the equation  $-\int_0^{10} (T''v - Tv)dx = \int_0^{10} T_{ext}v$ .

Next we partial integrate the term  $-T''v$  arriving at  $\int_0^{10} T'v'$  and due to  $V(0) = \alpha v(10) = \beta$  the two other terms is equal to zero since we don't need to calculate it for these two points, the solution is known. We then want to find a solution for  $T$  belonging to the same space as  $v$  for the equation  $\int_0^{10} (T'v' + Tv)dx = \int_0^{10} T_{ext}v$ . A solution to this is given by  $T = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} c_j \phi_j + \alpha \phi_0 + \beta \phi_n$  so we want to find  $c_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} c_j \int_0^{10} (\phi_j' \phi_i' + \phi_j \phi_i) dx + \alpha \int_0^{10} (\phi_j' \phi_i' + \phi_j \phi_i) dx + \beta \int_0^{10} (\phi_j' \phi_i' + \phi_j \phi_i) dx = T_{ext} \int_0^{10} \phi_i dx \quad (1)$$

by computing the integrals and using a linear system of  $Kc=b$  we arrive at

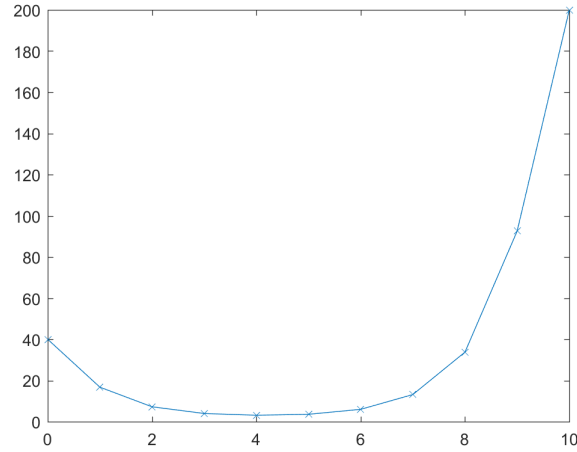
$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2/h + 2h/3 & -1/h + h/6 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ -1/h + h/6 & 2/h + 2h/3 & -1/h + h/6 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1/h + h/6 & 2/h + 2h/3 & -1/h + h/6 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & -1/h + h/6 & 2/h + 2h/3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$c = [c_1, \dots, c_{n-1}]^T \quad b_1 = 20 \int_0^{10} \phi_1 dx - 40 \int_0^{10} (\phi'_j \phi'_i + \phi_j \phi_i) dx, \quad b_i = 20 \int_0^{10} \phi_1 dx$$

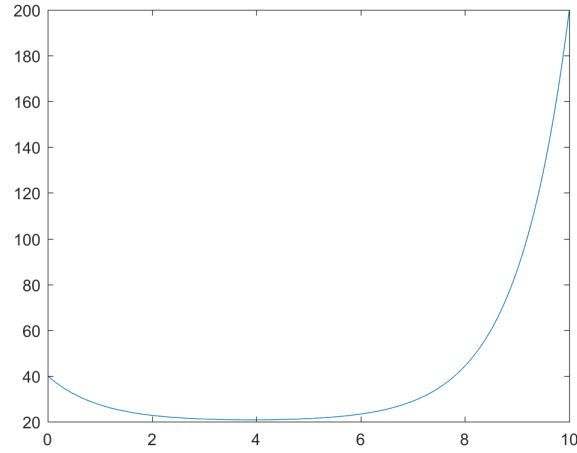
$$i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

$$b_n = 20 \int_0^{10} \phi_1 dx - 200 \int_0^{10} (\phi'_j \phi'_i + \phi_j \phi_i) dx \quad \text{and} \quad b = [b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n]^T$$

By implementing this in matlab and for example using 10 nodes one get the plot

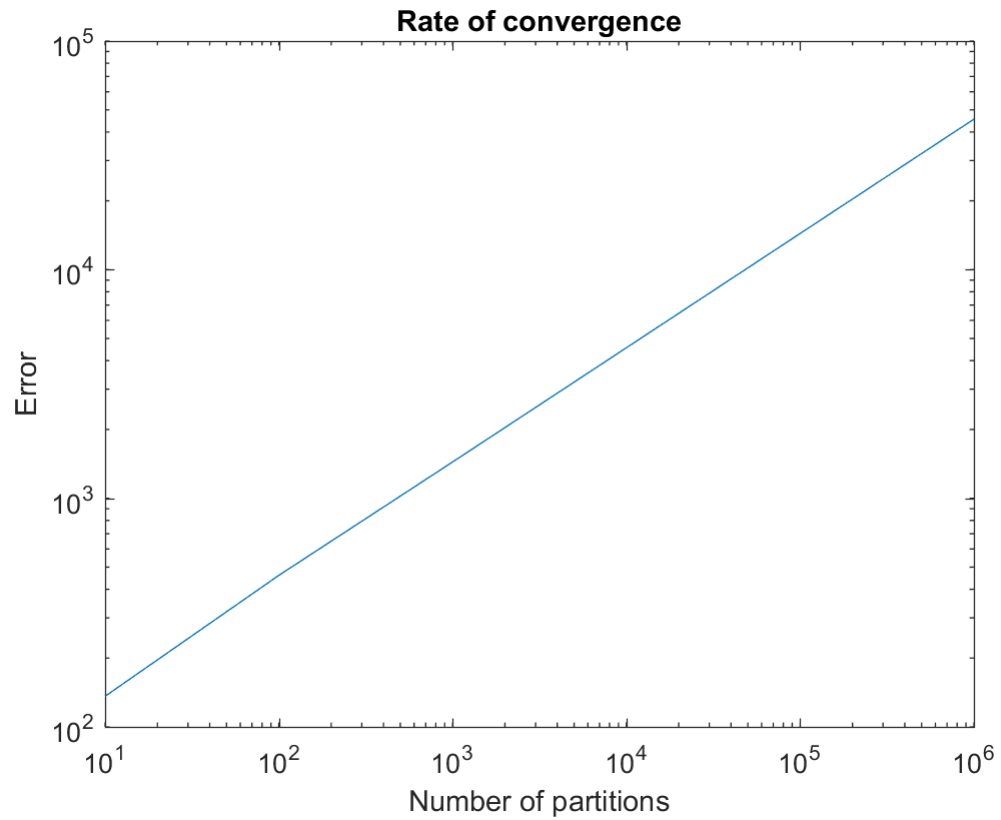


which can be compared to the analytical solution when using small steps.



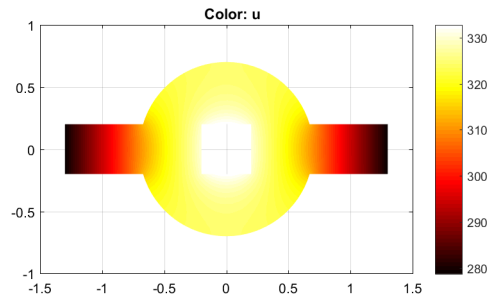
As one can see these two plots seems to correspond to each other fairly well, however how fast is the rate of convergence, roc? This was the second thing to be examined to do this one calculates the  $l_2$  norm for different stepsizes and then use a logarithmic scaled plot. One can then compute the roc as

$roc = \frac{X_{i+1}-X_i}{h_{i+1}-h_i}$  so the change in the error divided by the change in stepsize between two measurements, loglog plot gives us a linear plot as shown below. By comparing this with loglog plots for  $n^1, n^2, n^3, \dots$  one can see that its roc is 2.



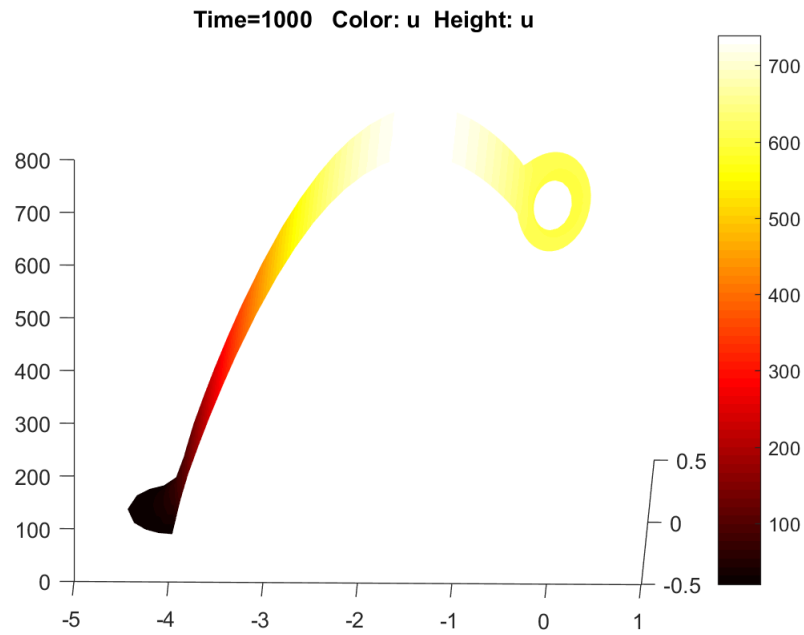
## 1 FEM in 2D

After having explored the FEM in 1D we'll now move into 2D with the help of matlabs pdetool which allows us to build complex geometries, defining boundary conditions and pdes. The first part was once again a steady state problem as shown below.



The boundary conditions was that we had a constant temperature flow of  $200K * 2$  on the right and leftmost edges, the square in the middle had a constant flow of  $800K$  and the outer edges were perfect insulated. As we can see however the highest temperature isn't  $800K$  but rather a bit above  $330$  and nor were the lowest temperature  $400$  but instead  $280K$  when at steady state. By changing it from steady state to an actual heat flow with initial temperature  $290K$  the system found its steady state so fast that one couldn't see any change when trying different time steps. This shouldn't come as a surprise since  $290K$  is close to both  $290K$  and  $330K$  which is the temperature max and min at steady state. However when using  $0K$  as initial temperature one could see a difference between different time steps early but it once again found its steady state fairly quickly.

For the last part one was supposed to model a geometry of their own choice with criteriums that they weren't trivial and should be believable. The geometry I modeled is shown below.



The leftmost semi-circle has a boundary temperature which is constant at  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$  while the inner-circle has a constant temperature of  $600^{\circ}\text{C}$  with the rest being perfect isolated. As we can see the maximum temperature is not at the ring but rather a bit in on the bar, which is longer than it's wide.

## 2 Appendix

Matlab code: For heat equation in 1D:

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n = 10000; % Amount of partitions
h = 10/n; %Length of each step
g1=40; %Boundary condition
g2=200 %Boundary condition
x = linspace(h, 10-h,n-1)'; % Vector for plotting
%Create b vector with boundary conditions
b1 = 20/n-g1*(-1/h+((h)/12));
bj = 20*ones(n-1,1)/n;
bn = 20/n+200*(1/h+((h)/12));
B1=[1,zeros(1,n-3),0]'; %For first element in b vector
B2=[0,ones(1,n-3),0]'; %For every element EXCEPT first and last in b vector
B3=[0,zeros(1,n-3),1]'; %For last element in b vector
B4 = B1.*b1;
B5 = B2.*bj;
B6 = B3.*bn;
B = [B4+B5+B6];
%Create K matrix
e = ones(n-1,1);
K = spdiags([( -e/h)+(h/6)((2*e)/h)+((2*h)/3)(-e/h)+(h/6)],-1:1, n-1, n-1);
%Solve linear system
ufem=K;
figure(1)
plot([0;x;10],[g1;ufem;g2], 'x-')
uh = [20 ufem 200];
%Solve analytical derived solution with a small enough step to consider
%continuous and plot solution
x = [0:0.0000001:10];
u = ((20.*exp(-x)).*(-exp(x)-exp(2.*x)+(9.*exp(2.*(x+5))+exp(x+20)-(9.*exp(10))+exp(20))))/(exp(20)-1);
figure(2)
plot(x,u)
%l2 norm for rate of convergence
iterr = 6 %amount of iterations
error=[1:1:iterr]
n = 1
%For loop that calculates the error for different step sizes where each
%step has 10i partitions
for i = 1:iterr
n= 10*i;
h = 10/n;
x = linspace(h, 10-h,n-1)';
b1 = 20/n-40*(-1/h+((h)/12));
bj = 20*ones(n-1,1)/n;

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bn = 20/n+200*(1/h+((h)/12));
B1=[1,zeros(1,n-3),0]';
B2=[0,ones(1,n-3),0]';
B3=[0,zeros(1,n-3),1]';
B4 = B1.*b1;
B5 = B2.*bj;
B6 = B3.*bn;
B = [B4+B5+B6];
e = ones(n-1,1);
K = spdiags([( -e/h)+(h/6) ((2*e)/h)+((2*h)/3)
(-e/h)+(h/6)],-1:1, n-1, n-1);
ufem=K;
uh = [20 ufem' 200];
x = [0:h:10];
u = ((20.*exp(-x)).*(-exp(x)-exp(2.*x)+(9.*exp(2.*(x+5))+exp(x+20)-(9.*exp(10))+exp(20))))/(exp(20)-1);
error(i) =sqrt(sum(u -uh). 2 h);
end
n = [1010^210^310^410^510^6];
%loglogplotoferror
figure(3)
loglog(n,error)
title("Rateofconvergence")
xlabel("Numberofpartitions")
ylabel("Error")
RoC = log(error(6)/error(5))/log(106/105)%calculaterateofconvergence
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For part 3:

% This script is written and read by pdetool and should NOT be edited.

% There are two recommended alternatives:

% 1) Export the required variables from pdetool and create a MATLAB script  
% to perform operations on these.

% 2) Define the problem completely using a MATLAB script. See % <http://www.mathworks.com/help/pde/exa>.  
for examples of this approach.

```

function pdemodel
pdef ig,ax
=pdeinit;
pdetool('applcb',1);
set(ax,'DataAspectRatio',[1 1 1]);
set(ax,'PlotBoxAspectRatio',[1.5 1 1]);
set(ax,'XLim',[-1.5 1.5]);
set(ax,'YLim',[-1 1]);
set(ax,'XTickMode','auto');
set(ax,'YTickMode','auto');
pdetool('gridon','on');

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% Geometry description:
pderect([-1.3 1.3 -0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001], 'R1');
pdeellip(0,0,0.69999999999999996,0.69999999999999996,... 0, 'E1');
pderect([-0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001 -0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001], 'R2');
set(findobj(get(pdef ig, 'Children'), 'Tag', 'PDEEval'), 'String', '(R1+E1)-R2')
% Boundary conditions:
pdetool('changemode',0)
pdetool('removeb',[8 9 12 13 17 20 ]);
pdesetbd(14,...
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'2',...
'400')
pdesetbd(1,...
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'2',...
'400')
% Mesh generation:
setappdata(pdef ig,'Hgrad',1.3);
setappdata(pdef ig,'refinemethod','regular');
setappdata(pdef ig,'jiggle',char('on','mean',''));
setappdata(pdef ig,'MesherVersion','preR2013a');
pdetool('initmesh')
pdetool('refine')
pdetool('jiggle')
pdetool('refine')
% PDE coefficients:
pdeseteq(1,...
'3.0',...
'2.0',...
'580.0',...

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'0.0',...
'0:10',...
'0.0',...
'0.0',...
'[0 100]')
setappdata(pdef ig,'currparam',...
.0 ',...
'2.0 ',...
'580.0',...
'0.0 '
)
% Solve parameters:
setappdata(pdef ig,'solveparam',...
char('0','2400','10','pdeadworst',...
'0.5','longest','0','1E-4','fixed','Inf'))
% Plotflags and user data strings:
setappdata(pdef ig,'plotflags',[1 1 1 1 1 6 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1]);
setappdata(pdef ig,'colstring',"");
setappdata(pdef ig,'arrowstring',"");
setappdata(pdef ig,'deformstring',"");
setappdata(pdef ig,'heightstring',"");
% Solve PDE:
pdetool('solve')

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For part 4:

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% 1) Export the required variables from pdetool and create a MATLAB script

% to perform operations on these.

% 2) Define the problem completely using a MATLAB script. See % <http://www.mathworks.com/help/pde/exa> for examples

% of this approach.

function pdemodel

pdef ig,ax

=pdeinit;

pdetool('applcb',1);

set(ax,'DataAspectRatio',[1 1 1]);

set(ax,'PlotBoxAspectRatio',[1.5 1 1]);

set(ax,'XLim',[-1.5 1.5]);

set(ax,'YLim',[-1 1]);

set(ax,'XTickMode','auto');

set(ax,'YTickMode','auto');

pdetool('gridon','on');

% Geometry description:

pdirect([-1.3 1.3 -0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001],'R1');

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pdeellip(0,0,0.6999999999999996,0.6999999999999996,... 0,'E1');
pdirect([-0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001 -0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001],'R2');
set(findobj(get(pdef ig,'Children'),'Tag','PDEEval'),'String','(R1+E1)-R2')
% Boundary conditions:
pdetool('changemode',0) pdetool('removeb',[8 9 12 13 17 20 ]);
pdesetbd(14,...
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pdesetbd(12,...
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1,...
'0',...
'0')
pdesetbd(6,...

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'800')

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pdesetbd(2,...
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1,...
'2',...
'400')
pdesetbd(1,...
'neu',...
1,...
'2',...
'400')
% Mesh generation:
setappdata(pdef ig,'Hgrad',1.3);
setappdata(pdef ig,'refinemethod','regular');
setappdata(pdef ig,'jiggle',char('on','mean',''));
setappdata(pdef ig,'MesherVersion','preR2013a');
pdetool('initmesh')
pdetool('refine')
pdetool('jiggle')
pdetool('refine')
% PDE coefficients:
pdeseteq(2,...
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'2.0',...
'580.0',...
'1.0',...
'0:10',...

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'290',...
'0.0',...
'[0 100]')
setappdata(pdef ig,'currparam',...
.0 ',...
'2.0 ',...
'580.0',...
'1.0 '
)
% Solve parameters:
setappdata(pdef ig,'solveparam',...
char('0','2400','10','pdeadworst',...
'0.5','longest','0','1E-4','fixed','Inf'))
% Plotflags and user data strings:
setappdata(pdef ig,'plotflags',[1 1 1 1 1 1 6 1 0 0 0 11 1 0 0 0 1]);
setappdata(pdef ig,'colstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'arrowstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'deformstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'heightstring','');
For part 5:
% This script is written and read by pdetool and should NOT be edited.
% There are two recommended alternatives: % 1) Export the required vari-
ables from pdetool and create a MATLAB script % to perform operations on
these. % 2) Define the problem completely using a MATLAB script. See %
http://www.mathworks.com/help/pde/examples/index.html for examples % of
this approach. function pdemodel
pdef ig,ax
=pdeinit;
pdetool('applcb',1);
set(ax,'DataAspectRatio',[1 0.5 1]);
set(ax,'PlotBoxAspectRatio',[3 2 1]);
set(ax,'XLim',[-5 1]);
set(ax,'YLim',[-1 1]);
set(ax,'XTick',[-5,...
-4,...
-3,...
-2,...
-1,...
0,...
1,...
2,...
3,...
]);
set(ax,'YTickMode','auto');
pdetool('gridon','on');
% Geometry description:

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pdeellip(0,0,0.40000000000000002,0.40000000000000002,... 16 0,'E1');
pdeellip(0,0,0.20000000000000001,0.20000000000000001,... 0,'E2');
pderect([-4 -0.34574841883345053 -0.20000000000000001 0.20000000000000001],'R1');
pdeellip(-4,0,0.5,0.20000000000000001,... 0,'E3');
set(findobj(get(pdef ig,'Children'),'Tag','PDEEval'),'String','(E1+R1+E3)-E2')
% Boundary conditions:
pdetool('changemode',0)
pdesetbd(19,...
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% Mesh generation:
setappdata(pdef ig,'Hgrad',1.3);
setappdata(pdef ig,'refinemethod','regular');
setappdata(pdef ig,'jiggle',char('on','mean',''));
setappdata(pdef ig,'MesherVersion','preR2013a');
pdetool('initmesh')
pdetool('jiggle')
pdetool('refine')
% PDE coefficients:
pdeseteq(2,...
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'0.0',...
'200.0',...
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'0:10',...
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'0.0',...
'[0 100]')
setappdata(pdef ig,'currparam',...
.0';...
18
'0.0';...
'200.0';...
'1.0'
)

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% Solve parameters:
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char('0','8016','10','pdeadworst',...
'0.5','longest','0','1E-4','','fixed','Inf'))
% Plotflags and user data strings:
setappdata(pdef ig,'plotflags',[1 1 1 1 1 1 6 1 0 0 0 11 1 0 0 0 0 1]);
setappdata(pdef ig,'colstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'arrowstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'deformstring','');
setappdata(pdef ig,'heightstring','');
% Solve PDE:
pdetool('solve')

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