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### 1 § 11.3

### 1.1 $\S 2b^1$

The Boundary-value problem

$$y'' = y' + 2y + \cos x$$
,  $0 \le x \le \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $y(0) = -0.3$ ,  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -0.1$ 

has the solution  $y(x) = -\frac{1}{10}(\sin x + 3\cos x)$ . Use the Linear Finite-Difference method to approximate the solution, and explicitly write out the centered-difference equations. Solve and compare the results to the actual solution. Assume  $h = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

Given a differential equation in the form

$$y''(x_i) = p(x_i)y'(x_i) + q(x_i)y(x_i) + r(x_i),$$
(1)

the third-order Taylor polynomial of  $y(x_{i-1})$  and  $y(x_{i-1})$  are

$$y(x_{i+1}) = y(x_i + h) = y(x_i) + hy'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(x_i) + \frac{h^3}{3}y'''(x_i) + \frac{h^4}{24}y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+) + \dots$$

$$y(x_{i-1}) = y(x_i - h) = y(x_i) - hy'(x_i) + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(x_i) - \frac{h^3}{3}y'''(x_i) + \frac{h^4}{24}y^{(4)}(\xi_i^+) - \dots$$
(2)

Combining the equations in eq. (2) and solving for y'', we obtain the Centered-Difference Formula for y''.

$$y''(x_i) = \frac{1}{h^2} [y(x_{i+1}) - 2y(x_i) + y(x_{i-1})] - \frac{h^2}{12} y^{(4)}(\xi_i)$$
(3)

A similar Central Difference Equation can be found for y'.

$$y'(x_i) = \frac{1}{2h} [y(x_{i+1}) - y(x_{i-1})] - \frac{h^2}{6} y'''(\eta_i)$$
(4)

By ignoring the higher-order terms we can calculate an approximation to the solution  $y(x_i)$ . Using the Centered-Difference Formula in eq. (3) and the given equation for  $y''(x_i)$  in the form of eq. (1) we obtain

$$\frac{y(x_{i+1}) - 2y(x_i) + y(x_{i-1})}{h^2} = p(x_i)y'(x_i) + q(x_i)y(x_i) + r(x_i)$$
(5)

By applying eq. (4) to eq. (5), we obtain

$$\frac{y(x_{i+1}) - 2y(x_i) + y(x_{i-1})}{h^2} = p(x_i)\frac{y(x_{i+1}) - y(x_{i-1})}{2h} + q(x_i)y(x_i) + r(x_i)$$
(6)

which will allow us to write the approximations in matrix-form and then solve the resulting matrix. Observe that we can simplify this into

$$-r(x_i) = \frac{y(x_{i+1}) - 2y(x_i) + y(x_{i-1})}{h^2} + p(x_i) \left(\frac{y(x_{i+1} - y(x_{i-1}))}{2h}\right) + q(x_i)y(x_i)$$

or alternatively

$$-h^{2}r(x_{i}) = \left(-1 - \frac{h}{2}p(x_{i})\right)y(x_{i-1}) + \left(2 + h^{2}q(x_{i})\right)y(x_{i}) - \left(-1 + \frac{h}{2}p(x_{i})\right)y(x_{i+1})$$
 (7)

Then applying eq. (7) with  $h = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , we obtain

$$-\frac{\pi^2}{16}r(x_i) = \left(-1 - \frac{\pi}{8}p(x_i)\right)y(x_{i-1}) + \left(2 + \frac{\pi^2}{16}q(x_i)\right)y(x_i) - \left(-1 + \frac{\pi}{8}p(x_i)\right)y(x_{i+1})$$
(8)

By invoking our boundary value conditions and bounds we have i = 1,  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $x_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,  $x_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , y(0) = -0.3, and  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = -0.1$ . We can substitute the interior values into eq. (8) to obtain an equation which, when solved, describes  $y(x_i)$  at the corresponding interior mesh points of  $x_i$ . In our case the interior mesh point is  $x_1$ .

$$-\frac{\pi^2\sqrt{2}}{32} = \left(-1 - \frac{\pi}{8}\right)y(x_0) + \left(2 + \frac{\pi^2}{8}\right)y(x_1) - \left(-1 + \frac{\pi}{8}\right)y(x_2)$$

$$\left(2 + \frac{\pi^2}{8}\right)y(x_1) = -\frac{\pi^2\sqrt{2}}{32} + \left(-1 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)(0.3) - \left(-1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)(0.1)$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\pi^2\sqrt{2}}{32} + \left(-1 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)(0.3) + \left(-1 + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)(0.1)\right]\left(2 + \frac{\pi^2}{8}\right)^{-1}$$
(9)

Finally we obtain our solution:

$$y\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -0.28287$$

We can confirm this approximation is correct by running it through the code in listing 1 and approximating  $y(x_i)$ 's values at more mesh points. Doing this with n = 3 I obtained the data in table 1 on page 3, confirming that our solution is close to the actual solution, even with only one step.

$\overline{x_i}$	$w_i$	$y(x_i)$	$ w_i - y(x_i) $
0.00000	-0.30000	-0.30000	
0.39270	-0.31569	-0.31543	$2.5320 \times 10^{-4}$
0.78540	-0.28291	-0.28284	$6.3136 \times 10^{-5}$
1.17810	-0.20700	-0.20719	$1.9735 \times 10^{-4}$
1.57080	-0.10000	-0.10000	

Table 1: Approximation of 2b with n = 3

#### 1.2 $9^2$

Use Theorem 9.1 to prove Theorem 11.3.

**Theorem 9.1** Let A be an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $R_i$  denote the circle in the complex plane with center  $a_{ii}$  and radius  $\sum_{j=1, j\neq i}^{n} |a_{ij}|$ ; that is,

$$R_i = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - a_{ii}| \leqslant \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |a_{ij}| \right\}$$

The eigenvalues of A are contained within the union of these circles,  $R = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} R_i$ .

**Theorem 11.3** Suppose that p, q, and r are continuous on [a,b]. If  $q(x) \ge 0$  on [a,b], then the tridiagonal linear system has a unique solution provided that  $h < \frac{2}{L}$ , where  $L = \max_{a \le x \le b} |p(x)|$ .

#### **Proof:**

By rearranging some of the inequality statements, Theorem 11.3 implies  $\left|\frac{h}{2}p(x)\right| < 1$ . Combining that knowledge with knowledge of the tridiagonal matrix which defines the solution to the linear BVP, we know that

$$\sum_{j=1, j\neq i}^{n} |a_{ij}| = |-1 - \frac{h}{2}p(x_i)| + |-1 - \frac{h}{2}p(x_i)|$$
$$= 1 + \frac{h}{2}p(x_i) + 1 - \frac{h}{2}p(x_i)$$

Which implies

$$0 \leqslant \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{n} |a_{ij}| < 2$$

We know that the diagonal entries,  $a_{ii}$  are composed of  $2 + h^2 q(x)$ . Theorem 9.1 states that we must be able to find a radius z which satisfies

$$R_i = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - 2 - h^2 q(x)| < 2\}$$

Since we also know that q(x) is greater than zero, then this radius must exist, meaning the matrix which defines the solutions to the BVP must have precisely k (counting multiplicities) of eigenvalues. This means that the tridiagonal matrix is non-singular, and thus has a unique solution.

## 2 § 11.4

### $2.1 4a^3$

The Boundary-Value Problem

$$y'' = y^3 - yy',$$
  $1 \le x \le 2,$   $y(1) = \frac{1}{2},$   $y(2) = \frac{1}{3}$ 

has the solution  $y(x) = (x+1)^{-1}$ . Use the Nonlinear Finite-Difference Algorithm with  $TOL = 10^{-4}$  and n = 3 to approximate the solution. Explicitly write out the centered-difference equations and perform one Newton step with a straight guess of  $y^{(0)}$ . Solve and compare the results to the actual solution.

Given a differential equation in the form

$$y''(x_i) = f(x_i, y(x_i), y'(x_i))$$
(10)

we can apply a similar method we used in eq. (6) to find the Centered-Difference equations in the nonlinear case.

$$\frac{y(x_{i+1}) - 2y(x_i) + y(x_{i-1})}{h^2} = f\left(x_i, y(x_i), \frac{y(x_{i+1}) - y(x_{i-1})}{2h}\right)$$
(11)

By invoking our boundary value conditions and bounds we have  $i=1, x_0=1, x_1=\frac{3}{2}, x_2=2, y(1)=\frac{1}{2}, \text{ and } y(2)=\frac{1}{3}.$  Since  $n=3, h=\frac{1}{4}.$ 

$$\frac{y(2) - 2y(\frac{3}{2}) + y(1)}{\frac{1}{16}} - f\left(\frac{3}{2}, y\left(\frac{3}{2}\right), \frac{y(2) - y(1)}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = 0$$
 (12)

Performing one Newton Iteration, I obtained the table of values listed in table 2.

$x_i$	$w_i$	$y(x_i)$	$ w_i - y(x_i) $
1.0000	0.50000	0.50000	
1.2500	0.44419	0.44444	$2.5317 \times 10^{-4}$
1.5000	0.39944	0.40000	$5.5656 \times 10^{-4}$
1.7500	0.36275	0.36364	$8.9081 \times 10^{-4}$
2.0000	0.33333	0.33333	

Table 2: Approximation of 4a with n=3 using one Newton Iteration

### 3 § 11.5

### 3.1 $2^4$

Use the Piece-wise Linear Algorithm to approximate the solution to the boundary-value problem

$$-\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}(xy') + 4y = 4x^2 - 8x + 1, \qquad 0 \le x \le 1, \qquad y(0) = y(1) = 0$$

using  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $x_1 = 0.4$ ,  $x_2 = 0.8$ ,  $x_3 = 1$ . Compare your results to the actual solution  $y(x) = x^2 - x$ . Explicitly write the finite-element equations. Solve and compare at nodes. Note  $\int_0^1 \phi_1 f dx = -0.5813$  and  $\int_0^1 \phi_2 f dx = -0.7960$ .

The nonzero entries of the tridiagonal matrix A are defined by

$$a_{ij} = \int_0^1 [p(x)\phi_i'(x)\phi_j'(x) + q(x)\phi_i'(x)\phi_j'(x)] dx$$
 (13)

and

$$b_i = \int_0^1 f(x)\phi_i(x)\mathrm{d}x \tag{14}$$

So then

$$Q_{1,i} = \left(\frac{1}{h_i}\right)^2 \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} (x_{i+1} - x)(x - x_i)q(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n-1$$

$$Q_{2,i} = \left(\frac{1}{h_{i-1}}\right)^2 \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (x - x_{i-1})^2 q(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$Q_{3,i} = \left(\frac{1}{h_i}\right)^2 \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} (x_{i+1} - x)^2 q(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$Q_{4,i} = \left(\frac{1}{h_{i-1}}\right)^2 \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} p(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n+1$$

$$Q_{5,i} = \frac{1}{h_{i-1}} \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} (x - x_{i-1}) f(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$Q_{6,i} = \frac{1}{h_i} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} (x_{i+1} - x) f(x) dx, \qquad \text{for each } i = 1, \dots, n$$

which expands the entries of the matrix to

$$a_{i,i} = Q_{4,i} + Q_{4,i+1} + Q_{2,i} + Q_{3,i}, for each i = 1, ..., n$$

$$a_{i,i+1} = -Q_{4,i+1} + Q_{1,i}, for each i = 1, ..., n - 1$$

$$a_{i,i-1} = -Q_{4,i} + Q_{1,i-1} for each i = 2, ..., n$$

$$b_i = Q_{5,i} + Q_{6,i} for each i = 1, ..., n$$

$$(16)$$

Evaluating each integral for i = 1, 2 gives

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3.06667 & -1.23333 \\ -1.23333 & 6.8 \end{pmatrix} \tag{17}$$

and

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} -0.5813 \\ -0.7960 \end{pmatrix} \tag{18}$$

Finally, the solution is

$$c = \begin{pmatrix} -.25553 \\ -.16335 \end{pmatrix} \tag{19}$$

Comparing this to the actual solution, we obtain the table 3.

$x_i$	$c_i$	$y(x_i)$	$ c_i - y(x_i) $
0	0	0	
0.4	25553	-0.2400	0.0155300
0.8	16335	-0.1600	0.0033500
1	0	0	

Table 3: Approximation of 4a with n=3 using one Newton Iteration

# 4 Minilab

#### 4.1 Part b

The maximum temperature occurs at approximately (-0.12, 243.6). More data is listed in table 4.

$x_i$	$y_i$
-2.00000	0.00000
-1.50000	88.54167
-1.00000	177.08333
-0.50000	265.62500
0.00000	291.66667
0.50000	242.18750
1.00000	161.45833
1.50000	80.72917
2.00000	0.00000

Table 4: Minilab data with  $\gamma = 50$  and  $\beta = 0$ 

### 4.2 Part c

The optimal laser intensity parameter  $\gamma$  I obtained was 486, and the optimal cooling air velocity parameter  $\beta$  I obtained was 37. This yielded the data in table 5.

$x_i$	$y_i$
-2.00000	0
-1.50000	24.03177
-1.00000	-52.40827
-0.50000	90.25972
0.00000	500.74233
0.50000	98.48364
1.00000	-50.29037
1.50000	21.14197
2.00000	0

Table 5: Minilab data with  $\gamma = 486$  and  $\beta = 37$ 

### 5 Code

```
#!/usr/bin/octave
# Created by Hershal Bhave on 04/11/13
# For M368K HW10, 11.3 Number 2a
# Written in GNU Octave
\mbox{\tt\#} Description: Uses the Linear Finite-Difference method to approximate
# the solution within the interval of the Boundary Value Problem in
# the form of -y''+p(x)y'+q(x)y+r(x)=0, given p(x), q(x), r(x),
# endpoints a, b, boundary conditions alpha, beta and subintervals n.
function [x,w] = linfindiff(p, q, r, a, b, alpha, beta, n)
 ai = bi = ci = di = zeros(n, 1);
 h = (b - a)/(n+1);
 x = a + h;
 ai(1) = 2 + (h^2)*q(x);
 bi(1) = -1 + (h/2)*p(x);
 di(1) = -h^2*r(x) + (1 + (h/2)*p(x))*alpha;
 for i=2:n-1
   x = a + i*h;
   ai(i) = 2 + (h^2)*q(x);
   bi(i) = -1 + (h/2)*p(x);
   ci(i) = -1 - (h/2)*p(x);
   di(i) = -(h^2)*r(x);
 endfor
 x = b - h;
 ai(n) = 2 + (h^2)*q(x);
 ci(n) = -1 - (h/2)*p(x);
 di(n) = -h^2*r(x) + (1 - (h/2)*p(x))*beta;
 1(1) = ai(1);
 u(1) = bi(1)/ai(1);
 z(1) = di(1)/l(1);
 for i=2:n-1
    l(i) = ai(i) - ci(i)*u(i-1);
     u(i) = bi(i)/l(i);
     z(i) = (di(i) - ci(i)*z(i-1))/l(i);
 l(n) = ai(n) - ci(n)*u(n-1);
 z(n) = (di(n) - ci(n)*z(n-1))/l(n);
 w(n+1) = beta;
 w(n) = z(n);
 for i=n-1:-1:1
     w(i) = z(i)-u(i)*w(i+1);
 endfor
 x = a:h:b;
 w = [alpha w];
endfunction
```

Listing 1: linfindiff.m

```
#!/usr/bin/octave
# Created by Hershal Bhave on 04/11/13
# For M368K HW10, 11.4 Number 4a
# Written in GNU Octave
\mbox{\tt\#} Description: Uses the Nonlinear Finite-Difference method to approximate
# the solution at values within the interval of the Boundary Value
# Problem in the form of -y, +p(x)y, +q(x)y+r(x)=0, given p(x), q(x),
# r(x), endpoints a, b, boundary conditions alpha, beta, the number
\mbox{\tt\#} of subintervals n, and maximum iterations \mbox{\tt M}.
function [x,w] = nonlinfindiff(f, fy, fyp, a, b, alpha, beta, n, M)
  if n<2
    error("n must be >=2\n");
  endif
 tol = 10^-6;
 w = zeros(1, n+1);
 ai = bi = ci = di = zeros(1,n);
 h = (b - a)/(n+1);
 w(n+1) = beta;
 for i=1:n
   w(i) = alpha + i*((beta-alpha)/(b-a))*h;
  \verb"endfor"
 k=1;
  do
   x = a + h;
   t=(w(2)-alpha)/(2*h);
   ai(1) = 2 + h^2*fy(x,w(1),t);
   bi(1) = -1 + (h/2)*fyp(x,w(1),t);
   di(1) = -(2*w(1) - w(2) - alpha + h^2*f(x,w(1),t));
   for i=2:n-1
     x = a + i*h;
     t = (w(i+1)-w(i-1))/(2*h);
     ai(i) = 2 + h^2*fy(x,w(i),t);
     bi(i) = -1 + (h/2)*fyp(x,w(i),t);
     ci(i) = -1 - (h/2)*fyp(x,w(i),t);
     di(i) = -(2*w(i) - w(i+1) - w(i-1) + h^2*f(x,w(i),t));
    endfor
   x = b - h;
   t = (beta - w(n-1))/(2*h);
   ai(n) = 2 + h^2*fy(x,w(n),t);
   ci(n) = -1 - (h/2)*fyp(x,w(n),t);
   di(n) = -(2*w(n) - w(n-1) - beta + h^2*f(x,w(i),t));
   1(1) = ai(1);
   u(1) = bi(1)/ai(1);
   z(1) = di(1)/l(1);
   for i=2:n-1
     1(i) = ai(i) - ci(i)*u(i-1);
     u(i) = bi(i)/l(i);
     z(i) = (di(i) - ci(i)*z(i-1))/l(i);
    \begin{split} &1(n) = ai(n) - ci(n)*u(n-1); \\ &z(n) = (di(n) - ci(n)*z(n-1))/l(n); \end{split}
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v(n) = z(n);
w(n) += v(n);

for i=n-1:-1:1
    v(i) = z(i)-u(i)*v(i+1);
    w(i) = w(i)+v(i);
endfor

k++;
until k>M || norm(v) < tol

if(k>M)
    printf("max iteration exceeded\n");
endif

x = a:h:b;
w = [alpha w];
endfunction
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Listing 2: nonlinfindiff.m

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/**********************************
Program 10. Uses the piecewise linear finite-element method
to find an approximate solution of a two-point BVP of the
            -[p(x) y']' + q(x) y = f(x), a <= x <= b
             y(a)=alpha, y(b)=beta
Inputs:
 BVPeval Function to evaluate p,q,f and g,g' (BC func)
 a,b Interval params
 alpha, beta Boundary value params
 N Number of interior grid pts (N+2 total pts)
 x Grid points: x(j), j=0...N+1
Outputs:
 x Grid points: x(j), j=0...N+1
 y Approx soln: y(j), j=0...N+1
Note 1: For any given problem, the function BVPeval must
be changed. This function computes p,q,f and g,g' for
any given x. The function g is the BC function
defined by
       g(x) = alpha + (x-a)[(beta-alpha)/(b-a)].
       g'(x) = (beta-alpha)/(b-a).
Note 2: For any given problem, the values of N and x(j),
j=0...N+1 must be specified. The default choice for the
grid points is x(j) = a + jh, where h=(b-a)/(N+1).
Note 3: The midpoint quadrature rule is used to approximate
the FE integrals. Gauss elimination is used to solve the
FE equations.
Note 4: To compile this program use the command (all on
one line)
 c++ -o program10 matrix.cpp gauss_elim.cpp
                      linearfem.cpp program10.cpp
Note 5: The program output is written to a file.
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```
#include <iostream>
#include <iomanip>
#include <fstream>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "matrix.h"
using namespace std;
/*** Define output file ***/
const char myfile[20]="program10.out" ;
ofstream prt(myfile) ;
/*** Declare external function ***/
int linearfem(int, vector&, vector&);
/*** Define p(x), q(x), f(x), g(x), g'(x) ***/
void BVPeval(const double& x, double& p, double& q,
                        double& f, double& g, double& dg){
 double pi=4.0*atan(1.0);
 double a=-2, b=2, alphaBC=0, betaBC=0;
 g = alphaBC + (x-a)*((betaBC-alphaBC)/(b-a));
 dg = (betaBC-alphaBC)/(b-a) ;
 double gamma = 486;
 double beta = 37;
 p = x<0 ? 0.1 : 0.2;
 q = fabs(x) <= 0.5 ? 0 : beta;
 f = fabs(x) <= 0.4 ? gamma : 0;
int main() {
 /*** Define problem parameters ***/
 int N=7, success_flag ;
 vector x(N+2), y(N+2);
 double a=-2, b=2, h=(b-a)/(N+1);
 /*** Define FE grid pts ***/
 for(int j=0; j<=N+1; j++){</pre>
  x(j) = a + j*h ; //default
 /*** Call linear FE method ***/
 success_flag=linearfem(N,x,y);
 /*** Print results to output file ***/
 prt.setf(ios::fixed) ;
 prt << setprecision(5) ;</pre>
 cout << "Linear-FE: output written to " << myfile << endl ;</pre>
 prt << "Linear-FE results" << endl ;</pre>
 prt << "Number of interior grid pts: N = " << N << endl ;
 prt << "Approximate solution: x_j, y_j" << endl ;
 for(int j=0; j<=N+1; j++){</pre>
   prt << setw(8) << x(j) ;</pre>
   prt << " " ;
   prt << setw(8) << y(j) ;</pre>
   prt << " " ;
  prt << endl;</pre>
 return 0 ; //terminate main program
```

Listing 3: program10.cpp