

# Homework 6

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## Problem 1

(a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}y(h) &= y(0) + hy'(0) + \frac{h^2}{2}y''(0) + \frac{h^3}{6}y'''(0) + O(h^4), \\ \implies y''(0) &= \frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - \frac{2}{h^2}y(0) - \frac{2}{h}y'(0) - \frac{h}{3}y'''(0) + O(h^2).\end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}y(2h) &= y(0) + 2hy'(0) + 2h^2y''(0) + \frac{4h^3}{3}y'''(0) + O(h^4), \\ \implies y''(0) &= \frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) - \frac{1}{2h^2}y(0) - \frac{1}{h}y'(0) - \frac{2h}{3}y'''(0) + O(h^2).\end{aligned}$$

We want to choose  $c_1, c_2$  such that a combination of these representations is  $O(h^2)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}y''(0) &= c_1y''(0) + c_2y''(0) \\ &= c_2\frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) + c_1\frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - (c_1\frac{2}{h^2} + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2})y(0) - (c_1\frac{2}{h} + c_2\frac{1}{h})y'(0) \\ &\quad - (c_1\frac{h}{3} + c_2\frac{2h}{3})y'''(0) + O(h^2) \\ &= c_2\frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) + c_1\frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - (c_1\frac{2}{h^2} + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2})y(0) + O(h^2).\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we need to satisfy the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}c_1 + c_2 &= 1, \\2c_1 + c_2 &= 0, \\c_1 + 2c_2 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

These three equations cannot be simultaneously satisfied by any choice of  $c_1, c_2$ , so there is no way to approximate  $y''(0)$  to the desired order with the given values.

(b) We know

$$\begin{aligned} y(3h) &= y(0) + 3hy'(0) + \frac{9h^2}{2}y''(0) + \frac{9h^3}{2}y'''(0) + O(h^4), \\ \implies y''(0) &= \frac{2}{9h^2}y(3h) - \frac{2}{9h^2}y(0) - \frac{2}{3h}y'(0) - hy'''(0) + O(h^2). \end{aligned}$$

Including the results of part (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned} y''(0) &= \frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - \frac{2}{h^2}y(0) - \frac{2}{h}y'(0) - \frac{h}{3}y'''(0) + O(h^2), \\ &= \frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) - \frac{1}{2h^2}y(0) - \frac{1}{h}y'(0) - \frac{2h}{3}y'''(0) + O(h^2), \\ &= \frac{2}{9h^2}y(3h) - \frac{2}{9h^2}y(0) - \frac{2}{3h}y'(0) - hy'''(0) + O(h^2). \end{aligned}$$

For the desired accuracy, we need to choose  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} y''(0) &= c_1y''(0) + c_2y''(0) + c_3y''(0) \\ &= c_3\frac{2}{9h^2}y(3h) + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) + c_1\frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - (c_1\frac{2}{h^2} + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2} + c_3\frac{2}{9h^2})y(0) \\ &\quad - (c_1\frac{2}{h} + c_2\frac{1}{h} + c_3\frac{2}{3h})y'(0) - (c_1\frac{h}{3} + c_2\frac{2h}{3} + c_3h)y'''(0) + O(h^2) \\ &= c_3\frac{2}{9h^2}y(3h) + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2}y(2h) + c_1\frac{2}{h^2}y(h) - (c_1\frac{2}{h^2} + c_2\frac{1}{2h^2} + c_3\frac{2}{9h^2})y(0) + O(h^2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we need to satisfy the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 &= 1, \\ 2c_1 + c_2 + \frac{2}{3}c_3 &= 0, \\ \frac{1}{3}c_1 + \frac{2}{3}c_2 + c_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This system is solved by  $c_1 = -\frac{5}{2}, c_2 = 8, c_3 = -\frac{9}{2}$ .

Substituting these values into the equation for  $y''(0)$  and simplifying, we find

$$y''(0) = \frac{2y(0) - 5y(h) + 4y(2h) - y(3h)}{h^2} + O(h^2).$$

### Problem 2

We want to solve  $-(y')' + (\frac{\pi}{2})^2 = x$  on  $(0, 1)$  with  $y(0) = y(1) = 0$ . Given our basis  $\{\sin(n\pi x)\}_{n=1}^N$ , this reduces to solving the equation  $Ax = b$  for  $x$ , with

$$\begin{aligned}(A)_{ij} &= \int_0^1 [\sin(i\pi x)]' \cdot [\sin(j\pi x)]' dx + \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 \sin(i\pi x) \sin(j\pi x) dx \\ &= ij\pi^2 \int_0^1 \cos(i\pi x) \cos(j\pi x) dx + \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 \int_0^1 \sin(i\pi x) \sin(j\pi x) dx, \\ (b)_i &= \int_0^1 x \sin(i\pi x) dx.\end{aligned}$$

The basis functions are orthogonal on this interval, and we know that  $\int_0^1 \sin(i\pi x) \sin(j\pi x) dx = \frac{1}{2}\delta_{ij}$ . Similarly,  $\int_0^1 \cos(i\pi x) \cos(j\pi x) dx = \frac{1}{2}\delta_{ij}$ . Also, we find that  $\int_0^1 x \sin(i\pi x) dx = \frac{(-1)^{i-1}}{i\pi}$ . Thus,  $A$  and  $b$  are such that

$$\begin{aligned}(A)_{ij} &= \frac{\pi^2}{8}(4i^2 + 1)\delta_{ij}, \\ (b)_i &= \frac{(-1)^{i-1}}{i\pi}.\end{aligned}$$

We construct the Galerkin method with  $N = 2$  like so, with the results following.

```
import numpy as np

# domain
x0 = 0
x1 = 1
qsize = 100 # ~quarter of grid size
size = 4*qsize + 1 # ensures can calculate error at desired points
x = np.linspace(x0,x1,size)

# exact solution
def exact(x):
    return -4/(np.pi**2)/np.sinh(np.pi/2) * np.sinh(np.pi/2*x) + 4/(np.pi**2)*x
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# generic basis function
def phi(n,x):
    return np.sin(n*np.pi*x)

# setup Galerkin method
N = 2
A = np.diag( [(4*(i+1)**2 + 1) * np.pi**2/8 for i in range(N)] )
b = [(-1)**i / (i+1) / np.pi for i in range(N)]

# solve for coefficient of basis functions
a = np.linalg.solve(A,b)

# Galerkin approximation
y = np.zeros_like(x)
for i in range(N):
    y += a[i]*phi(i+1,x)

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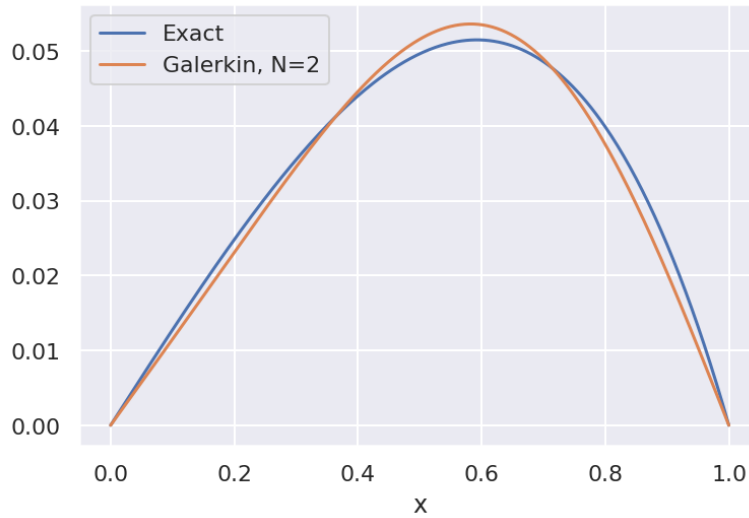


Figure 1: Comparison of the exact solution to the system vs the approximation due to the Galerkin method, with 2 basis functions.

In the end, we find that  $c_1 = 0.05160246$  and  $c_2 = -0.0075886$ . We also have the following data, with  $Y(x)$  the exact solution and  $y(x)$  the Galerkin approximation:

$x$	$y(x) - Y(x)$	$\frac{y(x)-Y(x)}{Y(x)}$
.25	-0.0014713	-0.0484442
.5	0.0019428	0.0391235
.75	-0.0009743	-0.0216283