# Homework #1

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**Question 1**: Compute the exact solution and finite element approximations of it for two, four, and six elements of the boundary-value problem.

$$-u''(x) = x$$
 ,  $0 < x < 1$   
 $u(0) = 0$  ,  $u(1) = 0$ 

- a) Compute the error measures  $||e||_E$  and  $||e||_\theta$  for each mesh and plot  $\log ||e||$  versus  $\log h$ . What are the rates of convergence for each choice of the norm?
- b) Check the pointwise error in the solution at x = 1/8 for each mesh. What is the rate of convergence there?
- c) Check the pointwise error at the central node x = 1/2. What remarkable result do you find?

### **Exact Solution:**

First, we find the exact solution to the boundary value problem by taking the integral of both sides of the equation two times:

$$u''(x) = -x \rightarrow u'(x) = -\frac{x^2}{2} + C_1$$

$$u(x) = -\frac{x^3}{6} + C_1 x + C_2$$

$$u(0) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = -\frac{0^3}{6} + C_1 .0 + C_2 \rightarrow C_2 = 0$$

$$u(1) = 0 \rightarrow 0 = -\frac{1^3}{6} + C_1 .1 \rightarrow C_1 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$u_{exact}(x) = \frac{1}{6}(x - x^3)$$
Eq. 1

## **Finite Element Approximation:**

We first write the weak form of the equation:

$$\int_{0}^{1} (-u'') v dx = \int_{0}^{1} x v dx$$
 Eq. 2

The function v (the weight function or test function) is any arbitrary function of x that is well-behaved for the integrals to exist. For the test function v(x) we have v(0) = 0, v(1) = 0 in H. Therefore, we have from Eq. 2:

$$\int_{0}^{1} (-u'' - x) v dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } v \in H$$

$$u(0) = 0 \quad , \quad u(1) = 0$$
Eq. 3

Here u(x) belongs to the class of trial function while the class of test function is different. To make sure that both u(x) and v(x) are in the same class, we perform integration by parts based on the chain role of differentiation:

$$(u'v)' = u''v + u'v' \Leftrightarrow u''v = (u'v)' - u'v'$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} -u''v dx = \int_{0}^{1} u'v' dx - u'v \Big|_{0}^{1}$$
Eq. 4

Regarding Eq. 4, v(x) must be differentiable to ensure that the integral on the right side of this equation is available. In addition, as v(0) = 0 and v(1) = 0, the second term is zero. As a result, the Eq. 4 will be in this form:

$$\int_{0}^{1} (u'v' - xv) dx = 0 , \quad for \, all \, v \in H_{0}^{1}$$
 Eq. 5

The basic requirement is that each  $v \in H_0^1$  be representable as a linear combination of such functions of the type:

$$v(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \beta_i \phi_i(x)$$
 Eq. 6

If we take only a finite number N of terms in this series, then we will obtain only an approximation  $v_N$  of v:

$$v_N(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_i \phi_i(x)$$
 Eq. 7

Galerkin's method consists of seeking an approximate solution to Eq. 5 in a finite-dimensional subspace  $H_0^{(N)}$  of the space  $H_0^1$  of admissible functions rather than in the whole space  $H_0^1$ . Thus, instead of tackling the infinite-dimensional problem Eq. 5, we seek an approximate solution  $u_N$  in  $H_0^{(N)}$  of the form:

$$u_N(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i \phi_i(x)$$
 Eq. 8

The variational statement of the approximate problem is this:

Find  $u_N \in H_0^{(N)}$  such that:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left( u'_{N} v'_{N} \right) dx = \int_{0}^{1} x v_{N} dx \qquad , \qquad \text{for all } v_{N} \in H_{0}^{(N)}$$
 Eq. 9

To determine the specific values,  $\alpha_i$ , we introduce Eq. 7 and Eq. 8 into Eq. 9 to obtain the condition:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \, \phi_{i}(x) \right] \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_{j} \, \phi_{j}(x) \right] - x \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \, \phi_{i}(x) \right\} dx = 0,$$

$$for all \, \beta_{i}, \, i = 1, 2, ..., N$$
Eq. 10

Expanding Eq. 10 and factoring the coefficients  $\beta_i$  gives:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left\{ \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \phi'_{i}(x) \, \phi'_{j}(x) \right] dx \right\} \alpha_{j} - \int_{0}^{1} x \phi_{i}(x) \, dx \right) = 0,$$

$$for \ all \ \beta_{i}, \ i = 1, 2, ..., N$$
Eq. 11

The structure of Eq. 11 can be written more compactly:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N} K_{ij} \alpha_{j} - F_{i} \right) = 0, \quad \text{for all } \beta_{i}, i = 1, 2, ..., N$$
 Eq. 12

Where:

$$K_{ij} = \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \phi'_{i}(x) \phi'_{j}(x) \right] dx \quad , \quad F_{i} = \int_{0}^{1} x \phi_{i} dx$$

$$i, j = 1, 2, ..., N$$
Eq. 13

Therefore, we have a system of N linear equations in the N unknown coefficients  $\alpha_i$ :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} K_{ij} \alpha_{j} = F_{i} , \qquad i = 1, 2, ..., N$$
 Eq. 14

Since the functions  $\phi_i$  have been chosen to be independent, Eq. 14 will be independent, and therefore the stiffness matrix K will be invertible. It follows that the coefficients  $\alpha_j$  are uniquely determined by Eq. 14 and are of the form:

$$\alpha_j = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (K^{-1})_{ji} F_i$$
 Eq. 15

If the coordinates of the nodes are denoted  $x_i$  (i = 0, 1, 2, ..., N), then the basis functions shown for i = I, 2, ..., N are given by:

$$\phi_{i}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\left(x - x_{i-1}\right)}{h_{i}} & for \ x_{i-1} \le x \le x_{i} \\ \frac{\left(x_{i+1} - x\right)}{h_{i+1}} & for \ x_{i} \le x \le x_{i+1} \\ 0 & for \ x \le x_{i-1} \ and \ x \ge x_{i+1} \end{cases}$$
 Eq. 16

Where  $h_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$  is the length of element  $\Omega_i$ . Their first derivates are:

$$\phi'_{i}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{h_{i}} & for \ x_{i-1} < x < x_{i} \\ \frac{-1}{h_{i+1}} & for \ x_{i} < x < x_{i+1} \\ 0 & for \ x < x_{i-1} \ and \ x > x_{i+1} \end{cases}$$
 Eq. 17

Following Eq. 14, we define the global stiffness matrix and then the element stiffness matrix for finite element  $\Omega_{\rho}$ :

$$K_{ij} = \sum_{e=1}^{N} K_{ij}^{e} \rightarrow K_{ij}^{e} = \int_{\Omega_{e}} (\phi'_{i} \phi'_{j}) dx$$
 Eq. 18

Similarly, for the global load vector and the element load vector, we have:

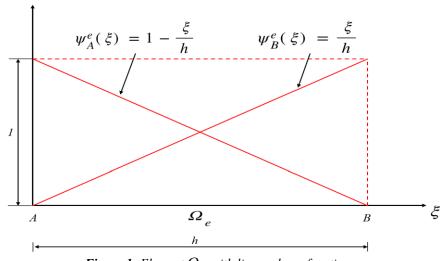
$$F_{i} = \sum_{e=1}^{N} F_{i}^{e} \rightarrow F_{i}^{e} = \int_{\Omega_{e}} x \phi_{i} dx$$
 Eq. 19

Shape functions  $\psi_A^e$  and  $\psi_B^e$  that are shown in Fig. 1 defined for element  $\Omega_e$ . Since these are simply parts of  $\phi_A$  and  $\phi_B$ , these shape functions are given in terms of the local coordinate  $\xi$  by:

$$\psi_A^e(\xi) = 1 - \frac{\xi}{h}$$
 ,  $\psi_B^e(\xi) = \frac{\xi}{h}$  Eq. 20

And their first derivatives are:

$$\psi_A^{e'}(\xi) = -\frac{1}{h}$$
 ,  $\psi_B^{e'}(\xi) = \frac{1}{h}$  Eq. 21



**Figure 1:** Element  $\Omega_{_{\varrho}}$  with linear shape functions

According to Eq. 18, the element matrix coefficients for our generic element  $\Omega_{\it e}$ , are:

$$K_{AA}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left( \psi_{A}^{e'}(\xi) \right)^{2} d\xi = \int_{0}^{h} \frac{1}{h^{2}} d\xi = \frac{1}{h}$$

$$K_{AB}^{e} = K_{BA}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left( \psi_{A}^{e'}(\xi) \psi_{B}^{e'}(\xi) \right) d\xi = \int_{0}^{h} \left( -\frac{1}{h} \right) \frac{1}{h} d\xi = -\frac{1}{h}$$

$$K_{BB}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left( \psi_{B}^{e'}(\xi) \right)^{2} d\xi = \int_{0}^{h} \frac{1}{h^{2}} d\xi = \frac{1}{h}$$
Eq. 22

Similarly, the components of the element load vector are:

$$F_{A}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left( x_{A} + \xi \right) \left( 1 - \frac{\xi}{h} \right) d\xi = \frac{h}{6} \left( 2x_{A} + x_{B} \right)$$

$$F_{B}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left( x_{A} + \xi \right) \left( \frac{\xi}{h} \right) d\xi = \frac{h}{6} \left( x_{A} + 2x_{B} \right)$$
Eq. 23

These quantities are entries in local element stiffness and load vectors  $k^e$  and  $f^e$  for the generic element  $\Omega_{\rho}$ :

$$k^{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h} & -\frac{1}{h} \\ -\frac{1}{h} & \frac{1}{h} \end{bmatrix} , \qquad f^{e} = \frac{h}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 2x_{A} + x_{B} \\ x_{A} + 2x_{B} \end{bmatrix}$$
 Eq. 24

When we have the local element stiffness matrix and local load vector from Eq. 24, we can compute the global matrices from Eq. 18 and Eq. 19 respectively. Upon solving  $\sum_{j=1}^{N} (K^{-1})_{ji} F_i$ , the finite element approximation of the equation is obtained.

Using the global load vector and the finite element approximation matrix, the value of energy in the finite element solution can be calculated:

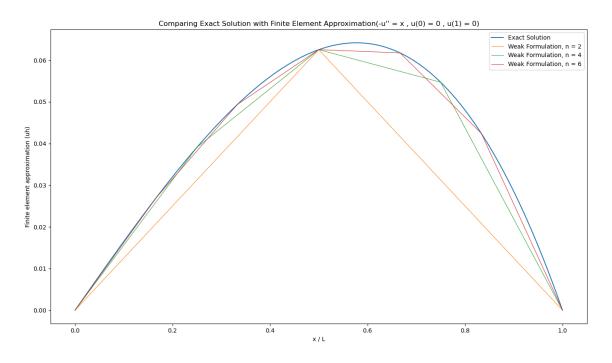
$$U_{h} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \left( u'_{h} \right)^{2} \right] dx = \frac{1}{2} u^{T} \int_{0}^{1} (\phi'^{T} \phi') dx u$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} u^{T} K u = \frac{1}{2} u^{T} F$$
Eq. 25

We programmed all these steps in Python programming language for 2, 4, and 6 elements, and Tab. 1 shows the results. The corresponding plot is shown in Fig. 2.

	n = 2	n = 4	n = 6
$K_{\mathrm{g}}$	[4.]	[ 84. 0.] [-4. 84.] [ 04. 8.]	[126. 0. 0. 0.] [-6. 126. 0. 0.] [ 06. 126. 0.] [ 0. 06. 126.] [ 0. 0. 06. 12.]
$F_g$	[0.25]	[0.0625] [0.125 ] [0.1875]	[0.02777778] [0.05555556] [0.08333333] [0.1111111] [0.13888889]
uh	[0.0625]	[0.0390625] [0.0625 ] [0.0546875]	[0.02700617] [0.04938272] [0.0625] [0.0617284] [0.04243827]
Uh	[0.0078125]	[0.01025391]	[0.01072745]

**Table 1:** Results from the Python code for -u''(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0



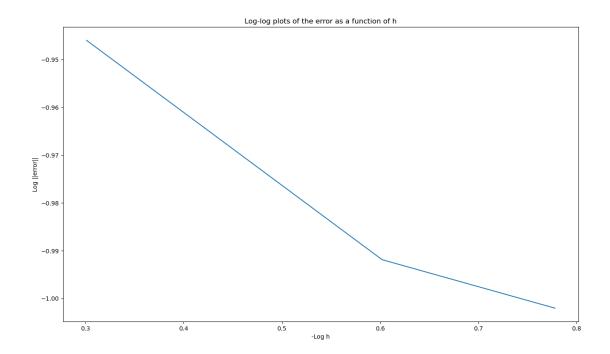
**Figure 2:** Exact solution and the weak formulation results for -u''(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0

The exact value of the differential equation at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  is:

$$u_{exact}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{6}\left(\frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3\right) = \frac{1}{16} = 0.0626$$
 Eq. 26

As we can see from the exact value in Eq. 26 and comparing that with the  $u_h$  value of the midpoint in Tab. 1, the exact solution and the finite element solution for different numbers of elements are the same.

Finally, we plot the log(||error||) vs -log(h) in Fig. 3:



**Figure 3:** Logarithmic plot of error as a function of the element length (h) -u''(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 | u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0

Question 2: Replace the differential equation in question 1 by:

$$-u''(x) + u(x) = x$$
,  $0 < x < 1$   
 $u(0) = 0$ ,  $u(1) = 0$ 

#### **Exact Solution:**

The exact solution to this differential equation is:

$$u_{exact}(x) = x - \frac{\sin h(x)}{\sin h(1)}$$
 Eq. 27

# **Finite Element Approximation:**

The overall steps are similar to the first question but there are some differences in generating the stiffness matrix. The variational statement of the approximate problem is this:

Find  $u_N \in H_0^{(N)}$  such that:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left( u'_{N} v'_{N} + u_{N} v_{N} \right) dx = \int_{0}^{1} x v_{N} dx \qquad , \qquad \text{for all } v_{N} \in H_{0}^{(N)}$$
 Eq. 28

Therefore, Eq. 10, Eq. 11, and Eq. 13 need to be modified in the following way:

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left\{ \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \phi_{i}(x) \right] \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_{j} \phi_{j}(x) \right] + \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \phi_{i}(x) \right] \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_{j} \phi_{j}(x) \right] - x \sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \phi_{i}(x) \right\}$$

$$dx = 0,$$

$$for all \beta_{i}, i = 1, 2, ..., N$$
Eq. 29

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \beta_{i} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left\{ \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \phi'_{i}(x) \phi'_{j}(x) + \phi_{i}(x) \phi_{j}(x) \right] dx \right\} \alpha_{j} - \int_{0}^{1} x \phi_{i}(x) dx \right\} = 0,$$
for all  $\beta_{i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, ..., N$ 
Eq. 30

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$$K_{ij} = \int_{0}^{1} \left[ \phi'_{i}(x) \, \phi'_{j}(x) + \phi_{i}(x) \, \phi_{j}(x) \right] dx \quad , \quad F_{i} = \int_{0}^{1} x \phi_{i} dx$$

$$i, j = 1, 2, ..., N$$
Eq. 31

Applying similar basis functions, we modify the global and element stiffness matrices in Eq. 18:

$$K_{ij} = \sum_{e=1}^{N} K_{ij}^{e} \rightarrow K_{ij}^{e} = \int_{\Omega_{e}} (\phi'_{i} \phi'_{j} + \phi_{i} \phi_{j}) dx$$
 Eq. 32

Following Eq. 32, the element matrix coefficients for our generic element  $\Omega_{e}$ , are:

$$K_{AA}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \{ [\psi_{A}^{e'}(\xi)]^{2} + [\psi_{A}^{e}(\xi)]^{2} \} d\xi = \int_{0}^{h} \left[ \frac{1}{h^{2}} + \left( 1 - \frac{\xi}{h} \right)^{2} \right] d\xi = \frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{3}$$

$$K_{AB}^{e} = K_{BA}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \left[ [\psi_{A}^{e'}(\xi) \psi_{B}^{e'}(\xi) + \psi_{A}^{e}(\xi) \psi_{B}^{e}(\xi) \right] d\xi = \int_{0}^{h} \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{h} \right) \frac{1}{h} + \left( 1 - \frac{\xi}{h} \right) \frac{\xi}{h} \right] d\xi = -\frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{6}$$

$$K_{BB}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h} \{ [\psi_{B}^{e'}(\xi)]^{2} + [\psi_{B}^{e}(\xi)]^{2} \} d\xi = \frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{3}$$
Eq. 33

The components of the element load vector remain unchanged, but the local element stiffness matrix is modified based on Eq. 33:

$$k^{e} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{3} & -\frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{6} & \frac{1}{h} + \frac{h}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$
 Eq. 34

Considering the new local stiffness matrix for the differential equation in Python codes, here are the results for 2, 4, and 6 elements:

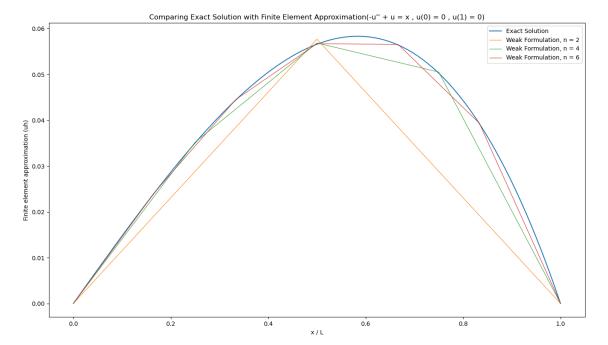
	n = 2	n = 4	n = 6
Kg	[4.33333333]	[ 8.16666667 -3.95833333 0. ] [-3.95833333 8.16666667 -3.95833333] [ 03.95833333 8.16666667]	
$F_g$	[0.25]	[0.0625] [0.125 ] [0.1875]	[0.02777778] [0.0555556] [0.08333333] [0.1111111] [0.13888889]
uh	[0.05769231]	[0.0352125] [0.05685947] [0.05051862]	[0.02423976] [0.04450482] [0.05670955] [0.05654339] [0.03935052]
Uh	[0.00721154]	[0.00939023]	[0.00980978]

**Table 2:** Results from the Python code for -u''(x) + u(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0

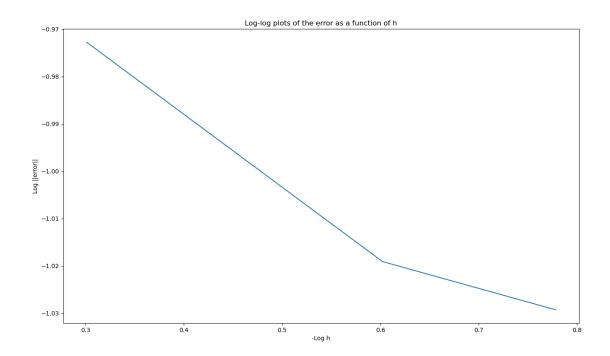
Similarly, we plotted the exact solution and finite element approximations in Fig. 4. The main important point is that the exact value and the finite element value at the midpoint  $(x = \frac{1}{2})$  are different:

$$u_{exact}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sinh(1)} = 0.05659$$
 Eq. 35

The exact value is 0.05659 while Tab. 2 shows that the result in finite element solution is 0.05769, 0.05686, and 0.05671 for 2, 4, and 6 elements respectively. If we calculate the error of the finite element solution compared to the exact solution for different numbers of elements, we find that the error will decrease by increasing the number of elements. The log(||error||) vs -log(h) plot in Fig. 5 shows this claim more clearly.



**Figure 4:** Exact solution and the weak formulation results for -u''(x) + u(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 | u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0



**Figure 3:** Logarithmic plot of error as a function of the element length (h) -u''(x) + u(x) = x, 0 < x < 1 u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0

## **Python codes:**

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#HW 1
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#-----
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.integrate as spi
###----- Question 1: -u'' = x | u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0 -----###
#---- Exact Solution ----#
x = np.linspace(0,1,100)
u_exact = 1/6 * (x - x**3)
L = 1
#---- Weak Formulation ----#
# Global K Matrix
def K_global(K_g, n):
   for row in range (1,n):
       if (row == 1):
           K_g[0][0] = Ke[1][1]
       else:
           K_g[row -2][row - 2] += Ke[0][0]
           K_g[row-1][row-1] = Ke[1][1]
           K_g[row -2][row-1] = Ke[0][1]
           K_g[row-1][row-2] = Ke[1][0]
       if(row == n-1):
           K_g[row-1][row-1] += Ke[0][0]
# Global F vector
def F_global(F_g, n):
   for row in range (1,n):
        if (row == 1):
           Xa = 0
           Xb = h
           fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
           F_g[0][0] = fe[1][0]
       else:
           Xa += h
           Xb += h
           fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
           F_g[row-2][0] += fe[0][0]
           F_g[row-1][0] += fe[1][0]
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if(row == n-1):
         Xa += h
         Xb += h
         fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
         F_g[row-1][0] += fe[0][0]
         -----#
print("----- Question 1: -u'' =
u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0 -----")
#-----#
print("\n")
def d uex 2(xx):
   return (1/6 - (xx - xx**3))**2
uex_E_2, _ = spi.quad(d_uex_2, 0, 1)
print("\n||Uex||^2:")
print(uex_E_2)
n = 2
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h, -1/h], [-1/h, 1/h]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
#-----
K_g2 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F g2 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
K_global(K_g2, n)
F_global(F_g2, n)
U2 = np.linalg.inv(K_g2) @ F_g2
U2 = np.insert(U2, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U2 = np.insert(U2, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g2 = np.insert(F_g2, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F_g2 = np.insert(F_g2, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh2 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U2) @ F g2
error_2_2 = abs(uex_E_2 - Uh2)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 2 ------
print("Global stiffness matrix(K_g):")
print(K_g2)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F g):")
print(F_g2)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print(U2)
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
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print(Uh2)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
print(error_2_2)
# ------ # ----- #
n = 4
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h, -1/h], [-1/h, 1/h]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
#-----
K_g4 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F g4 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
K_global(K_g4, n)
F_global(F_g4, n)
U4 = np.linalg.inv(K_g4) @ F_g4
U4 = np.insert(U4, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U4 = np.insert(U4, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g4 = np.insert(F_g4, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F_g4 = np.insert(F_g4, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh4 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U4) @ F_g4
error_2_4 = abs(uex_E_2 - Uh4)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 4 ------
print("Global stiffness matrix(K_g):")
print(K_g4)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F g):")
print(F_g4)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print(U4)
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
print(Uh4)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
print(error_2_4)
# ------ # ----- #
n = 6
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xa = 0
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h, -1/h], [-1/h, 1/h]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
#-----
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K g6 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F g6 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
K_global(K_g6, n)
F global(F g6, n)
U6 = np.linalg.inv(K_g6) @ F_g6
U6 = np.insert(U6, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U6 = np.insert(U6, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g6 = np.insert(F_g6, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F_g6 = np.insert(F_g6, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh6 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U6) @ F_g6
error_2_6 = abs(uex_E_2 - Uh6)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 6 ------
print("Global stiffness matrix(K_g):")
print(K g6)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F g):")
print(F_g6)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print(U6)
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
print(Uh6)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
print(error 2 6)
#-----#
error = [error 2 2**0.5, error 2 4**0.5, error 2 6**0.5]
logerror = np.log10(error)
logerror = logerror.ravel() # Convert to 1D array
dx = [L/2, L/4, L/6]
logdx = -np.log10(dx)
#-----#
plt.figure(1)
plt.plot(x,u_exact,label="Exact Solution",linewidth=1.5)
x2 = np.linspace(0,1,3)
plt.plot(x2,U2,label="Weak Formulation, n = 2",linewidth=0.8)
x4 = np.linspace(0,1,5)
plt.plot(x4,U4,label="Weak Formulation, n = 4",linewidth=0.8)
x6 = np.linspace(0,1,7)
plt.plot(x6,U6,label="Weak Formulation, n = 6",linewidth=0.8)
plt.xlabel("x / L")
plt.ylabel("Finite element approximation (uh)")
plt.title("Comparing Exact Solution with Finite Element Approximation(-u'' = x ,
u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0")
plt.legend()
plt.tight_layout()
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plt.show()
#-----
plt.figure(2)
plt.plot(logdx, logerror,linewidth=1.5)
plt.xlabel("-Log h")
plt.ylabel("Log ||error||")
plt.title("Log-log plots of the error as a function of h")
plt.tight layout()
plt.show()
#-----
#-----
#---- Exact Solution ----#
x = np.linspace(0,1,100)
u_exact = x - np.sinh(x)/np.sinh(1)
L = 1
#---- Weak Formulation ----#
# Global K Matrix
def K global(K g, n):
   for row in range (1,n):
       if (row == 1):
          K_g[0][0] = Ke[1][1]
       else:
          K g[row -2][row - 2] += Ke[0][0]
          K_g[row-1][row-1] = Ke[1][1]
          K_g[row -2][row-1] = Ke[0][1]
          K_g[row-1][row-2] = Ke[1][0]
       if(row == n-1):
          K g[row-1][row-1] += Ke[0][0]
# Global F vector
def F global(F g, n):
   for row in range (1,n):
       if (row == 1):
          Xa = 0
          Xb = h
          fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
          F_g[0][0] = fe[1][0]
       else:
          Xa += h
          Xb += h
          fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
          F_g[row-2][0] += fe[0][0]
          F_g[row-1][0] += fe[1][0]
       if(row == n-1):
          Xa += h
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Xb += h
         fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
         F_g[row-1][0] += fe[0][0]
           -----#
print("----- Question 2: -u'' + u =
u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0 ----")
#-----#
print("\n")
def d uex 2(xx):
   return (1 - np.cosh(xx) / np.sinh(1))**2
uex_E_2, _ = spi.quad(d_uex_2, 0, 1)
print("\n||Uex||^2:")
print(uex_E_2)
n = 2
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xa = 0
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h + h/3, -1/h + h/6], [-1/h + h/6, 1/h + h/3]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
#-----
K_g2 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F g2 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
K_global(K_g2, n)
F_global(F_g2, n)
U2 = np.linalg.inv(K_g2) @ F_g2
U2 = np.insert(U2, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U2 = np.insert(U2, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g2 = np.insert(F_g2, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F_g2 = np.insert(F_g2, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh2 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U2) @ F_g2
error_2_2 = abs(uex_E_2 - Uh2)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 2 ------
-")
print("Global stiffness matrix(K g):")
print(K_g2)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F_g):")
print(F g2)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
print(Uh2)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
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print(error_2_2)
# ----- # ---- #
n = 4
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xa = 0
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h + h/3, -1/h + h/6], [-1/h + h/6, 1/h + h/3]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
K_g4 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F g4 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
K_global(K_g4, n)
F global(F g4, n)
U4 = np.linalg.inv(K_g4) @ F_g4
U4 = np.insert(U4, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U4 = np.insert(U4, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g4 = np.insert(F_g4, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F_g4 = np.insert(F_g4, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh4 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U4) @ F g4
error 2 4 = abs(uex E 2 - Uh4)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 4 -----
-")
print("Global stiffness matrix(K_g):")
print(K g4)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F g):")
print(F_g4)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print(U4)
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
print(Uh4)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
print(error 2 4)
# ------ # ----- #
n = 6
h = L/n
# Local element stiffness and load vectors
Xa = 0
Xb = h
Ke = np.array([[1/h + h/3, -1/h + h/6], [-1/h + h/6, 1/h + h/3]])
fe = h/6 * np.array([[2*Xa + Xb], [Xa + 2*Xb]])
#-----
K_g6 = np.zeros((n-1,n-1))
F_g6 = np.zeros((n-1,1))
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K_global(K_g6, n)
F_global(F_g6, n)
U6 = np.linalg.inv(K_g6) @ F_g6
U6 = np.insert(U6, 0, 0, axis = 0) # Boundary condition
U6 = np.insert(U6, n, 0, axis = 0)
F_g6 = np.insert(F_g6, 0, 0, axis = 0)
F g6 = np.insert(F g6, n, 0, axis = 0)
Uh6 = 1/2 * np.transpose(U6) @ F_g6
error 2.6 = abs(uex E.2 - Uh6)
print("\n")
print("----- Number of elements: 6 ------
-")
print("Global stiffness matrix(K_g):")
print(K g6)
print("\nGlobal load vector(F_g):")
print(F g6)
print("\nThe finite element approximation (uh) coefficients:")
print(U6)
print("\nEnergy in the finite element solution (1/2*uT*F):")
print(Uh6)
print("\n||eE||^2:")
print(error_2_6)
#-----
              ----- Error ------
error = [error 2 2**0.5, error 2 4**0.5, error 2 6**0.5]
logerror = np.log10(error)
# Convert to 1D array
logerror = logerror.ravel()
dx = [L/2, L/4, L/6]
logdx = -np.log10(dx)
#-----#
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x6 = np.linspace(0,1,7)
plt.plot(x6,U6,label="Weak Formulation, n = 6",linewidth=0.8)
plt.xlabel("x / L")
plt.ylabel("Finite element approximation (uh)")
plt.title("Comparing Exact Solution with Finite Element Approximation(-u'' + u =
x , u(0) = 0 , u(1) = 0)
plt.legend()
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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plt.figure(2)
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plt.xlabel("-Log h")
plt.ylabel("Log ||error||")
plt.title("Log-log plots of the error as a function of h")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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