

# LECTURE 8 - NUMERICAL METHODS (PART 1)

## CE 225

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# NUMERICAL METHODS

## INTRODUCTION

- \* For "real" forcing (e.g. Earthquakes)  $\longrightarrow$  analytical method is difficult (convolution ok)
- \* For "real" structures  $\longrightarrow$  inelastic behavior (i.e. nonlinear, damage  $\longrightarrow$  need new methods)

Define:  $\Delta t_i$  = time interval

Assume: linear damping  $\longrightarrow$   $EOM = m\ddot{u} + c\dot{u} + f_s(\dot{u}, u) = p(t)$

@ time =  $t_i \longrightarrow$  assume we know the current 'state':  $u_i, \dot{u}_i, \ddot{u}_i$  which satisfy  $m\ddot{u}_i + c\dot{u}_i + (f_s)_i = p_i$

$\longrightarrow$  GOAL:

# NUMERICAL METHODS

## METHODS AND REQUIREMENTS

### Groups of Methods:

1. "Simple" interpolation of force
2. Finite difference method
3. Assumed variation in acceleration

### Requirements:

1. Convergence: As the time step decreases, the solution approaches the exact solution.
2. Numerical stability: Numerical errors don't grow unbounded.
3. Accuracy: Provide "suitable" results (close enough to exact solution for given application).

# METHOD 1: SIMPLE INTERPOLATION OF FORCE

## DERIVATION

Assume  $p(t)$  is linear over time interval  $t_i < t < t_{i+1}$

Now, define  $\tau = 0$  at time  $t_i$  and solve for the force:  $p(\tau) = p_i + \frac{\Delta p_i}{\Delta t_i} \tau$

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## DERIVATION

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(\tau) = u_c(\tau) &\longrightarrow \text{Complementary solution to IC's: } u(0) = u_i ; \dot{u}(0) = \dot{u}_i \\
 + p_i g(\tau) &\longrightarrow \text{Step function response for IC's} = 0 \\
 + u_{ramp}(\tau) &\longrightarrow \text{Response to ramp load of magnitude } \frac{\Delta p_i}{\Delta t_i} \text{ for IC's} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Plug in previously derived equations (undamped case):

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(\tau) = u_i \cos \omega_n \tau + \frac{\dot{u}_i}{\omega_n} \sin \omega_n \tau &\longrightarrow \text{Response to IC's} \\
 + \frac{p_i}{k} (1 - \cos \omega_n \tau) &\longrightarrow \text{Step response} \\
 + \frac{p_{i+1} - p_i}{k} \left( \frac{\tau}{\Delta t_i} - \frac{\sin \omega_n \tau}{\omega_n \Delta t_i} \right) &\longrightarrow \text{Ramp Response}
 \end{aligned}$$

GOAL: Find  $u(\tau)$ ,  $\dot{u}(\tau)$  at time  $\tau = \Delta t_i \longrightarrow$

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## DERIVATION

Solution for  $\tau = \Delta t_i$  :

$$u(\Delta t_i) = u_i \cos \omega_n \Delta t_i + \dot{u}_i \frac{\sin \omega_n \Delta t_i}{\omega_n} + p_i \frac{(1 - \cos \omega_n \Delta t_i)}{k} + (p_{i+1} - p_i) \frac{1}{k} \left( \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta t_i} - \frac{\sin \omega_n \Delta t_i}{\omega_n \Delta t_i} \right)$$

$$u(\Delta t_i) = u_{i+1} = Au_i + B\dot{u}_i + Cp_i + Dp_{i+1}$$

where:

$$A = \cos \omega_n \Delta t_i ; \quad B = \frac{\sin \omega_n \Delta t_i}{\omega_n} ; \quad C = \frac{1}{k} \left( -\cos \omega_n \Delta t_i + \frac{\sin \omega_n \Delta t_i}{\omega_n \Delta t_i} \right) ; \quad D = \frac{1}{k} \left( 1 - \frac{\sin \omega_n \Delta t_i}{\omega_n \Delta t_i} \right)$$

What about  $\dot{u}_{i+1}$ ?

1. Take the derivative of  $u(\tau)$  (see previous slide)
2. Plug in  $\tau = \Delta t_i$

3. Rearrange to:  $\dot{u}(\Delta t_i) = \dot{u}_{i+1} = A'u_i + B'\dot{u}_i + C'p_i + D'p_{i+1}$  and find new set of coefficients  $A', B', C', D'$

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## DAMPED CASE - SOLUTION

$$u_{i+1} = Au_i + B\dot{u}_i + Cp_i + Dp_{i+1}$$

$$\dot{u}_{i+1} = A'\dot{u}_i + B'\dot{u}_i + C'p_i + D'p_{i+1}$$

$$A = e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \omega_D \Delta t + \cos \omega_D \Delta t \right)$$

$$B = e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \frac{1}{\omega_D} \sin \omega_D \Delta t \right)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{k} \left\{ \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n \Delta t} + e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left[ \left( \frac{1-2\zeta^2}{\omega_D \Delta t} - \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \right) \sin \omega_D \Delta t - \left( 1 + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n \Delta t} \right) \cos \omega_D \Delta t \right] \right\}$$

$$D = \frac{1}{k} \left[ 1 - \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n \Delta t} + e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \frac{2\zeta^2-1}{\omega_D \Delta t} \sin \omega_D \Delta t + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n \Delta t} \cos \omega_D \Delta t \right) \right]$$

$$A' = -e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \omega_D \Delta t \right)$$

$$B' = e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \cos \omega_D \Delta t - \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \omega_D \Delta t \right)$$

$$C' = \frac{1}{k} \left\{ -\frac{1}{\Delta t} + e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left[ \left( \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} + \frac{\zeta}{\Delta t \sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \right) \sin \omega_D \Delta t + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \cos \omega_D \Delta t \right] \right\}$$

$$D' = \frac{1}{k \Delta t} \left[ 1 - e^{-\zeta\omega_n \Delta t} \left( \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin \omega_D \Delta t + \cos \omega_D \Delta t \right) \right]$$

Notes:

1. Works well for linear systems
2. Not great for inelastic systems, particularly MDOF

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## REVIEW OF PROCEDURE



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## EXAMPLE

Given:

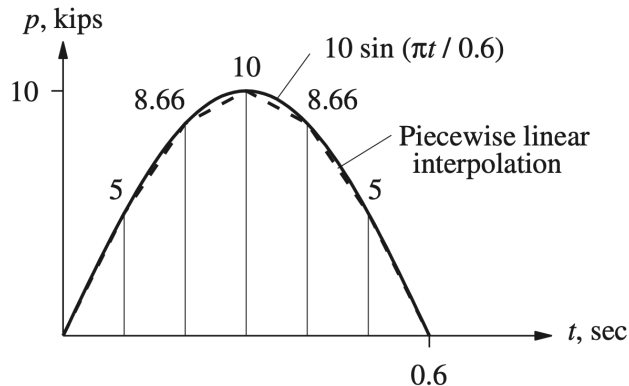
$$m = 0.2533 \text{ kip-sec}^2/\text{in}$$

$$k = 10 \text{ kip/in}$$

$$T_n = 1 \text{ sec}$$

$$\zeta = 0.05$$

$$p(t) = 10 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{1.2}t\right) \text{ for } t \in [0, 0.6] \text{ sec}$$



Solution:

$$u_{i+1} = Au_i + B\dot{u}_i + Cp_i + Dp_{i+1}$$

$$\dot{u}_{i+1} = A'\dot{u}_i + B'\dot{u}_i + C'p_i + D'p_{i+1}$$

Where:

$$A = 0.8129$$

$$B = 0.09067$$

$$C = 0.01236$$

$$D = 0.006352$$

$$A' = -3.5795$$

$$B' = 0.7559$$

$$C' = 0.1709$$

$$D' = 0.1871$$

# METHOD 1: SIMPLE INTERPOLATION OF FORCE

## EXAMPLE (CONTINUED)

$$u_{i+1} = Au_i + B\dot{u}_i + Cp_i + Dp_{i+1}$$

$$\dot{u}_{i+1} = A'\dot{u}_i + B'\ddot{u}_i + C'p_i + D'p_{i+1}$$

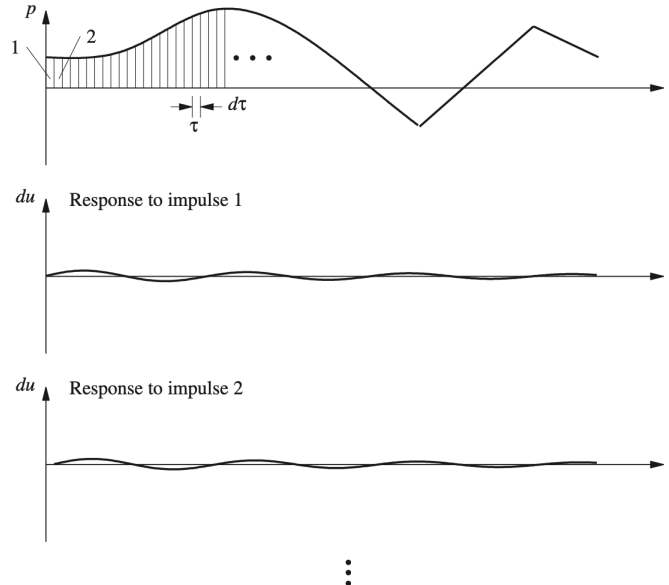
**TABLE E5.1a** NUMERICAL SOLUTION USING LINEAR INTERPOLATION OF EXCITATION

$t_i$	$p_i$	$Cp_i$	$Dp_{i+1}$	$B\dot{u}_i$	$\dot{u}_i$	$Au_i$	$u_i$	Theoretical $u_i$
0.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0318	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
0.1	5.0000	0.0618	0.0550	0.0848	0.9354	0.0258	0.0318	0.0328
0.2	8.6602	0.1070	0.0635	0.2782	3.0679	0.1849	0.2274	0.2332
0.3	10.0000	0.1236	0.0550	0.4403	4.8558	0.5150	0.6336	0.6487
0.4	8.6603	0.1070	0.0318	0.4290	4.7318	0.9218	1.1339	1.1605
0.5	5.0000	0.0618	0.0000	0.1753	1.9336	1.2109	1.4896	1.5241
0.6	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.2735	-3.0159	1.1771	1.4480	1.4814
0.7	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.6767	-7.4631	0.7346	0.9037	0.9245
0.8	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.8048	-8.8765	0.0471	0.0579	0.0593
0.9	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.6272	-6.9177	-0.6160	-0.7577	-0.7751
1.0	0.0000				-2.5171		-1.2432	-1.2718

# METHOD 1: SIMPLE INTERPOLATION OF FORCE

## SIDE NOTE ON CONVOLUTION

- ▶ Also a method that breaks the force into small 'increments'
- ▶ However, does not only solve over  $\Delta t_i$ . Solve over all time and then superpose results.
- ▶ Also provides solution for  $\Delta t_i \rightarrow 0$ , so eliminates 'approximation'.

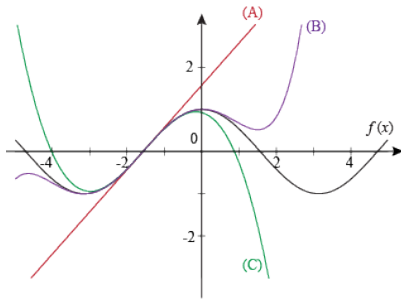


# METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

## CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD

Uses current derivatives (e.g. velocity and acceleration) to estimate the dynamic response.

Central Difference Method: Use Taylor Series to represent a function as an  $\infty$  sum of derivatives at a single point.



$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{6} + \dots \quad (1)$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} - f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{6} \dots \quad (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \rightarrow f(x+h) - f(x-h) = 2f'(x)h + 0 + 2f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{6} \dots \rightarrow \boxed{f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}}$$

$$(1) + (2) \rightarrow f(x+h) + f(x-h) = 2f(x) + 0 + 2f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} \dots \rightarrow \boxed{f''(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}}$$

## METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

### CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD

$$\dot{u}_i = \frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2\Delta t}$$

$$\ddot{u}_i = \frac{u_{i+1} - 2u_i + u_{i-1}}{(\Delta t)^2}$$

**\*\*Basically, using local derivatives at  $t_i$  to predict at  $t_{i+1}$**

Enforce "equilibrium" (EOM) at time  $t_i$  :

**\*\*Note: We are solving equilibrium at  $t_i$  to find determine  $u_{i+1}$  @ time  $t_{i+1}$  ! This is an explicit method of numerical integration.**

## METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

### CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD

Re-arrange: 
$$\left[ \frac{m}{(\Delta t)^2} + \frac{c}{2\Delta t} \right] u_{i+1} = p_i - \left[ \frac{m}{(\Delta t)^2} - \frac{c}{2\Delta t} \right] u_{i-1} - \left[ k - \frac{2m}{(\Delta t)^2} \right] u_i$$

$$\longrightarrow \boxed{u_{i+1} = \frac{p_i - au_{i-1} - bu_i}{\hat{k}} = \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{k}}}$$

At  $t = 0 \longrightarrow u_{-1}$  doesn't exist. Need to fix this:

Central Difference at  $t = 0$  : 
$$\dot{u}_0 = \frac{u_1 - u_{-1}}{2\Delta t} \quad ; \quad \ddot{u}_0 = \frac{u_1 - 2u_0 + u_{-1}}{(\Delta t)^2}$$

$$\boxed{u_{-1} = u_0 - \Delta t(\dot{u}_0) + \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2}\ddot{u}_0}$$

# METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

## CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD - SOLUTION PROCEDURE (EXAMPLE)

### Solution

#### 1.0 Initial calculations

$$m = 0.2533 \quad k = 10 \quad c = 0.1592$$

$$u_0 = 0 \quad \dot{u}_0 = 0$$

$$1.1 \quad \ddot{u}_0 = \frac{p_0 - c\dot{u}_0 - ku_0}{m} = 0.$$

$$1.2 \quad u_{-1} = u_0 - (\Delta t)\dot{u}_0 + \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2}\ddot{u}_0 = 0.$$

$$1.3 \quad \hat{k} = \frac{m}{(\Delta t)^2} + \frac{c}{2\Delta t} = 26.13.$$

$$1.4 \quad a = \frac{m}{(\Delta t)^2} - \frac{c}{2\Delta t} = 24.53.$$

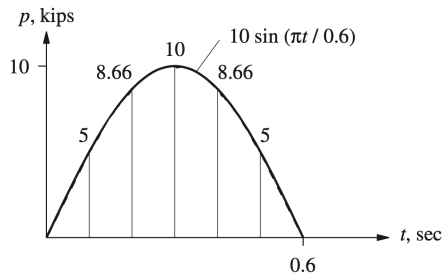
$$1.5 \quad b = k - \frac{2m}{(\Delta t)^2} = -40.66.$$

#### 2.0 Calculations for each time step

$$2.1 \quad \hat{p}_i = p_i - au_{i-1} - bu_i = p_i - 24.53u_{i-1} + 40.66u_i.$$

$$2.2 \quad u_{i+1} = \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{k}} = \frac{\hat{p}_i}{26.13}.$$

3.0 Computational steps 2.1 and 2.2 are repeated for  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  leading to Table E5.2, wherein the theoretical result (from Table E5.1a) is also included.



## METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

### CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD - SOLUTION PROCEDURE (EXAMPLE)

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$t_i$	$p_i$	$u_{i-1}$	$u_i$	$\hat{p}_i$ [Eq. (2.1)]	$u_{i+1}$ [Eq. (2.2)]	Theoretical $u_{i+1}$
0.0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0328
0.1	5.0000	0.0000	0.0000	5.0000	0.1914	0.2332
0.2	8.6602	0.0000	0.1914	16.4419	0.6293	0.6487
0.3	10.0000	0.1914	0.6293	30.8934	1.1825	1.1605
0.4	8.6603	0.6293	1.1825	41.3001	1.5808	1.5241
0.5	5.0000	1.1825	1.5808	40.2649	1.5412	1.4814
0.6	0.0000	1.5808	1.5412	23.8809	0.9141	0.9245
0.7	0.0000	1.5412	0.9141	-0.6456	-0.0247	0.0593
0.8	0.0000	0.9141	-0.0247	-23.4309	-0.8968	-0.7751
0.9	0.0000	-0.0247	-0.8968	-35.8598	-1.3726	-1.2718
1.0	0.0000	-0.8968	-1.3726	-33.8058	-1.2940	-1.2674

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## METHOD 2: FINITE DIFFERENCE METHODS

### CENTRAL DIFFERENCE METHOD - SOLUTION PROCEDURE (EXAMPLE)

Stability: Conditionally stable  $\rightarrow \Delta t < \frac{T_n}{\pi} = \Delta t_{max}$

Essentially:

$\Delta t > \Delta t_{max}$  ... error grows unbounded

Typically use:

$$\Delta t \approx \frac{1}{10} \Delta t_{max}$$

**\*\*MDOF systems**: critical timestep must capture the shortest  $T_n$  in the model

3DEC Example: