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1. (20 points) Consider the boundary value problem (BVP):

$$\begin{aligned} u''(x) &= f(x), \quad x \in (0, 1), \\ u(0) &= u(1) = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

In class, we divided  $[0, 1]$  into  $m + 1$  equal subintervals such that  $x_j = jh$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m + 1$  and  $h = 1/(m + 1)$ . This way,  $U_j \doteq U(x_j)$  denotes the approximation to  $u_j \doteq u(x_j)$ . If  $h = 1/4$ , then write the underlying system of equations in the form of  $A \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$  by considering the **second-order** accurate finite difference formula for  $u''(\bar{x})$ :

$$D^2 u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x} - h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x} + h)}{h^2}. \tag{2}$$

How many equations and how many unknowns are there in this problem?

2. (30 points) Consider the following yet more general BVP

$$\begin{aligned} u''(x) + p(x)u'(x) + q(x)u(x) &= f(x), \quad x \in (a, b), \\ u(a) &= \alpha, \quad u(b) = \beta, \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

where  $p(x), q(x), f(x) \in C[a, b]$ . Similarly as in Question 1, we are seeking approximate values  $U_j \doteq U(x_j)$  for the exact values  $u_j \doteq u(x_j)$  where  $j = 0, 1, \dots, m + 1$  and  $x_j = a + jh$  with  $h = (b - a)/(m + 1)$ . Next, consider the finite difference formulas

$$\begin{aligned} D_0 u(\bar{x}) &= \frac{u(\bar{x} + h) - u(\bar{x} - h)}{2h}, \\ D^2 u(\bar{x}) &= \frac{u(\bar{x} - h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x} + h)}{h^2}, \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

for approximating  $u'(\bar{x})$  and  $u''(\bar{x})$ , respectively.

Then, write the underlying system of equations in the form of  $A \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$  by explicitly presenting the form of  $A$ ,  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{F}$ . How many unknowns the vector  $\mathbf{U}$  contains? Subsequently, how the form of the matrix  $A$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  will change if we consider the **Neumann boundary condition**  $u'(a) = \sigma$  at the left-end point? How many unknowns the vector  $\mathbf{U}$  contains in this case?

3. (50 points) Consider the BVP

$$\begin{aligned} u''(x) - 400u(x) &= 400 \cos^2(\pi x) + 2\pi^2 \cos(2\pi x), \quad x \in (0, 1), \\ u(0) &= u(1) = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

whose exact solution is given by

$$u(x) = \frac{e^{-20}}{1 + e^{-20}} e^{20x} + \frac{1}{1 + e^{-20}} e^{-20x} - \cos^2(\pi x). \tag{11}$$

Write a MATLAB script (or a code in **any** programming language) to solve the above BVP using finite differences with  $m = 124$  interior points. Furthermore, make a plot of the exact and approximate solutions **on the same graph** and state **which is which** by including a legend (for instance, you can use a **solid black line** for the exact solution and **red open circles** for the approximate one). Calculate the infinity norm of the **global error**, i.e.,

$$\|\mathbf{E}\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} |U_j - u(x_j)|,$$

where  $U_j$  is the  $j$ th component of the approximate solution vector  $\mathbf{U}$ .

Attach your code, the figure and MATLAB output.