

MM3110 - EXPT 4 - DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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1 Question 1

The differential equation we have is,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = yx^3 - 1.5y, \quad (1)$$

It is given that $y(0)$ is 1 and $y(2)$ has to be found out. This can be calculated analytically as shown below,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= yx^3 - 1.5y, \\ \frac{dy}{dx} &= y(x^3 - 1.5), \\ \frac{dy}{y} &= (x^3 - 1.5)dx, \end{aligned}$$

Applying appropriate limits,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{y(2)} \frac{dy}{y} &= \int_0^2 (x^3 - 1.5) dx \\ \ln\left(\frac{y(2)}{1}\right) &= 1, \\ y(2) &= e^1 = 2.7182s \end{aligned}$$

Equation 1, is solved numerically using various techniques as shown in the code below,

```
1 clear all
2 clc
3 clf
4
5 func = @(x,y) y*x^3 - 1.5*y;
6 x0 = 0;
7 y0 = 1;
8 h = [0.01,0.05,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5];
9 size_h = 7;
10 y2 = 2.718281;
11 analytic = zeros(size_h,1);
12 euler = zeros(size_h,1);
13 error_euler = zeros(size_h,1);
14 heun = zeros(size_h,1);
15 error_heun = zeros(size_h,1);
16 rk = zeros(size_h,1);
17 error_rk = zeros(size_h,1);
18 for i = 1:size_h
19     analytic(i) = y2 ;
20 end
21 %Euler method
22 for i = 1:size_h
23     y1 = y0;
24     x1 = x0;
25     while (x1<=2)
26         y1 = y1 + h(i)*func(x1,y1);
27         x1 = x1 + h(i);
28     end
29     euler(i) = y1;
30     error_euler(i) = abs((y1 - y2)*100 /y2);
31 end
32
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33
34 %Heun's method
35 for i = 1:size_h
36     y1 = y0;
37     x1 = x0;
38     while (x1<=2)
39         y10 = y1 + h(i)*func(x1,y1);
40         y1 = y1 + 0.5*h(i)*(func(x1,y1) + func(x1,y10));
41         x1 = x1 + h(i);
42     end
43     heun(i) = y1;
44     error_heun(i) = abs((y1 - y2)*100 /y2);
45 end
46
47 %Runge-Kutta
48 for i = 1:size_h
49     y1 = y0;
50     x1 = x0;
51     while (x1<=2)
52         k1 = h(i)*func(x1,y1);
53         k2 = h(i)*func(x1 + 0.5*h(i),y1 + 0.5*k1);
54         k3 = h(i)*func(x1 + 0.5*h(i),y1 + 0.5*k2);
55         k4 = h(i)*func(x1 + h(i),y1 + k3);
56         y1 = y1 + 1/6*(k1 + 2*k2 + 2*k3 + k4);
57         x1 = x1 + h(i);
58     end
59     rk(i) = y1;
60     error_rk(i) = abs((y1 - y2)*100 /y2);
61 end
62 hold on;
63
64 loglog (h,error_euler,'-o','linewidth',4.0,'DisplayName','Euler');
65 loglog (h,error_heun,'-s','linewidth',4.0,'DisplayName','Heun');
66 loglog (h,error_rk,'-x','linewidth',4.0,'DisplayName','RungeKutta');
67 xlabel('Step size');
68 ylabel('Relative error (in %)');
69 ax = gca;
70 set(ax,'linewidth',2.0);
71 grid on;
72 legend('show');

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The output of the above code for $h = 0.01$ is as shown below

```

1 Using Euler Method
2 y(2) = 2.4804
3 Using Heun Method
4 y(2) = 2.6103
5 Using Rk method
6 y(2) = 2.7183

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The relative error is plotted for these methods in the fig 1.

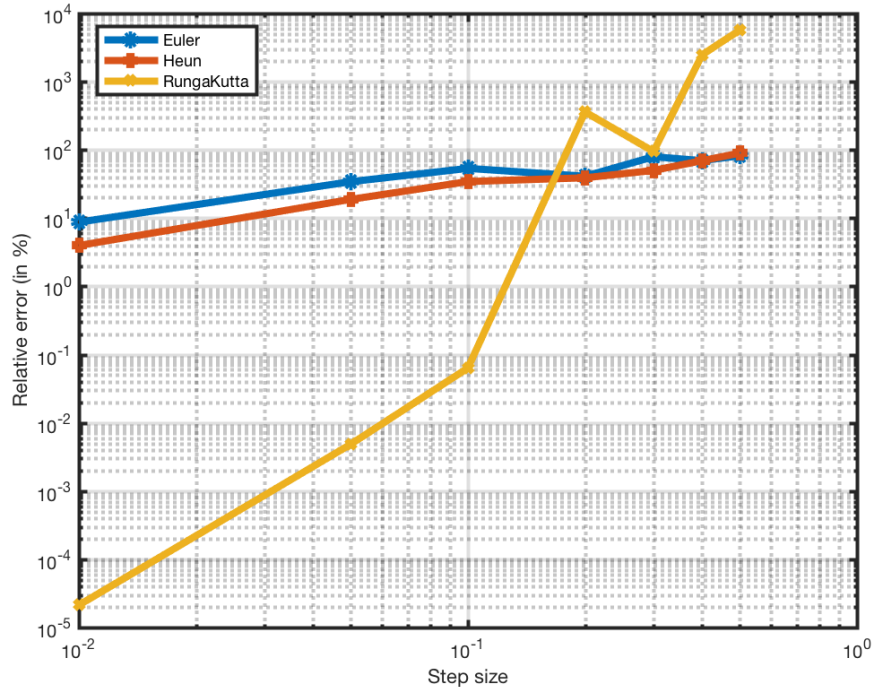


Figure 1: Relative error vs step size for various techniques

2 Question 2

In this question we have to solve a steady state heat balance equation using **shooting method**. The given differential equation to solve is

$$\frac{d^2T}{dx^2} = 0.15T \quad (2)$$

with the boundary conditions $T(0) = 240$ and $T(10) = 150$. In **shooting method** we convert the boundary value problem into two initial value problems and then solve them simultaneously.

$$\frac{dT}{dx} = Z \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{dZ}{dx} = 0.15T \quad (4)$$

Now the task is to solve the above equations separately and simultaneously. To solve the first equation we take $T(0) = 240$ as given in the question. To solve the second equation we need an initial value for Z but we don't have one, so we guess a value initially and compute $T(10)$. The goal is to find a good guess for $Z(0)$ such that we get $T(10)$ close to 150. We have to try a few guesses before we get the solution hence the name **shooting method**.

```

1 clear all
2 clf
3 clc
4 h=1;
5
6 length = 10;
7 x = 0:h:length
8 size = length/h + 1;
9 T = zeros(size,1);
10 T(1) = 240;
11 Z0 = -88.6 %Our guess at the first derivative
12 for i = 2:size
13     T(i) = T(i-1) + Z0*h;

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14     Z1 = Z0 + 0.15*T(i-1)*h;
15     Z0 =Z1;
16 end
17 T(size)
18 plot (x,T, 'LineWidth',4);
19 hold on;
20 title ("Temperature Profile") ;
21 xlabel("Distance (in m)");
22 ylabel("Temperature");
23 box on ;
24 grid on ;
25 ax = gca ;
26 set(ax, 'linewidth',2.0);
27 axis('square');

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Below is a table which contains the initial guesses I made and the value of $T(10)$ obtained.

Gussed Z value	$T(10)$ value
-90	102.3801
-89	136.4602
-88	170.5402
-88.5	153.5002
-88.4	156.9082
-88.6	150.0922

So for $Z = -88.6$ we get a close value to $T(10)$. The temperature profile obtained is plotted in figure 2 and compared with analytical solution available.

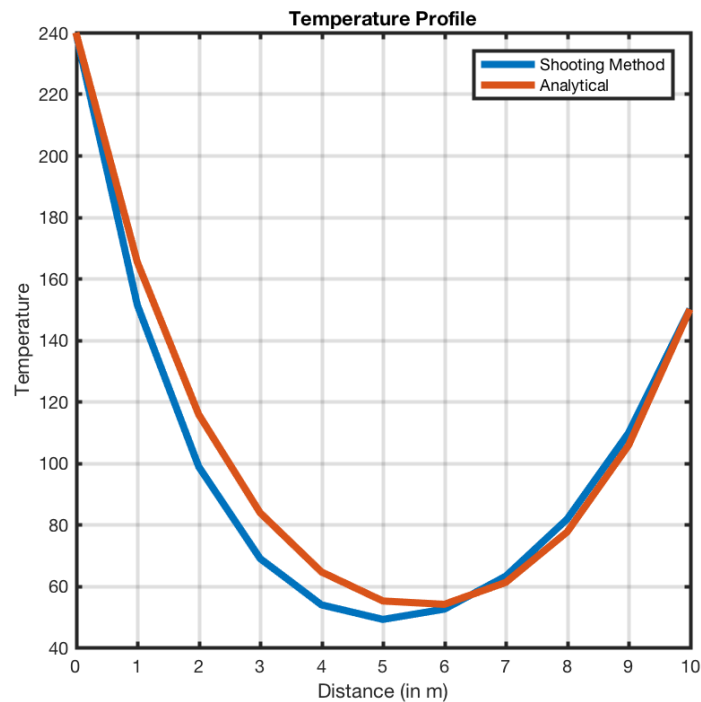


Figure 2: Temperature profile obtained using shooting method and compared with analytical solution

3 Question 3

In this question we have to find the steady state temperature profile of a square plate with a side length of $12cm$. We use Fick's law and discretize it to get the equation whose solution is the temperature profile. The

derivation of the equation is as follows:

$$\nabla^2 T = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2 T}{dy^2} = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{T_{i+1,j} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} + \frac{T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} + T_{i,j-1}}{(\Delta y)^2} = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$T_{i,j} = \frac{T_{i+1,j} + T_{i-1,j} + T_{i,j+1} + T_{i,j-1}}{4} \quad (8)$$

We will be using equation 8 to update temperature at each point. Before we start calculating temperatures we have to define the boundary conditions. In the question we have three edges with 100 °C and one edge with 0 °C. Code for the implementation is given below.

```
1 %Initializing parameters and boundary conditions
2 size = 4;
3 T = zeros(size,size);
4 T(1,:) = 100;
5 T(size,:) = 100;
6 T(:,1) = 100;
7 T(:,size) = 0;
8 T_new = T;
9 error = 10;
10
11 %Calculation loop
12 while (error > 0.0001)
13     for i = 2:size-1
14         for j = 2:size-1
15             T_new(i,j) = (T(i+1,j) + T(i-1,j) + T(i,j+1) + T(i,j-1)) / 4.0;
16         end
17     end
18     diff = abs(T-T_new);
19     error = max(diff(:));
20     T = T_new;
21 end
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The plot obtained is given below. The right boundary is maintained at 0 °C and the remaining boundaries are maintained at 100 °C. The code is run at two different values of size. The temperature distribution obtained from the two runs are given below. Further temperature distribution obtained for the two runs is plotted along x = 6 in figure 5

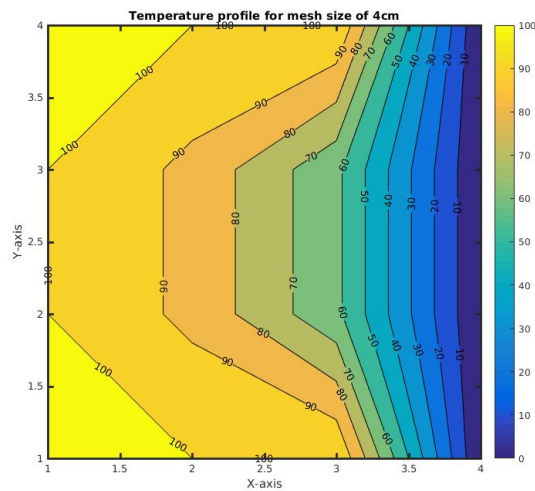


Figure 3: Temperature profile for mesh size = 4cm

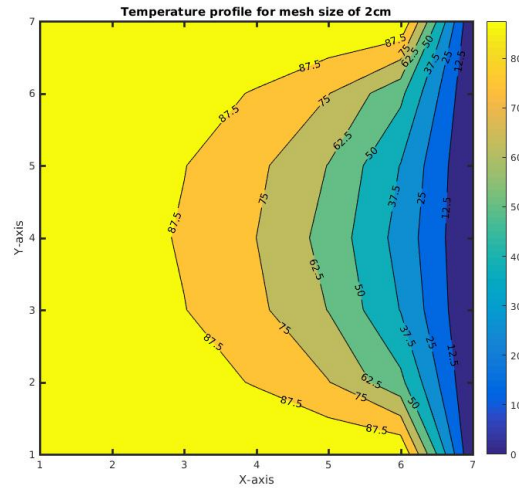


Figure 4: Temperature profile for mesh size = 2cm

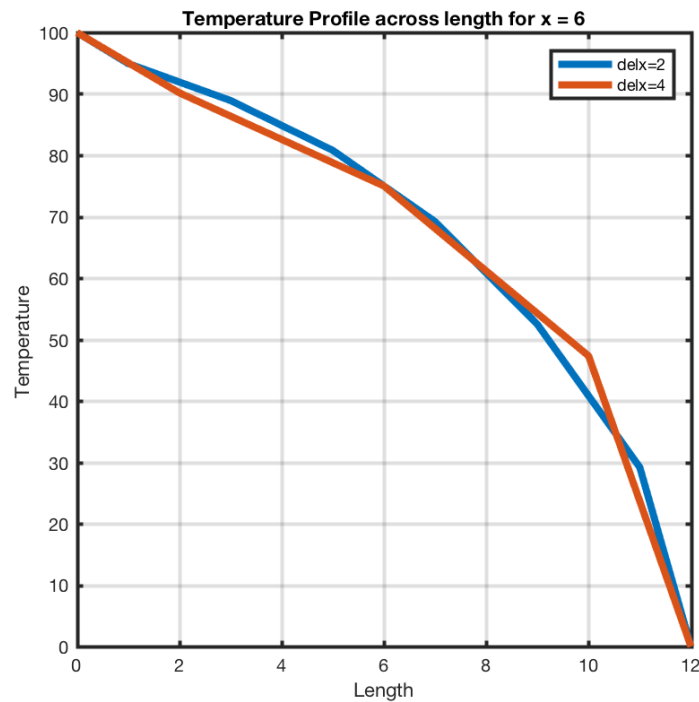


Figure 5: Temperature profile along $x = 6$

The temperature profile for $x = 6$ for different **size** values seem to be consistent with each other. Their differences are within the limits of numerical error.

4 Question 4

The equation to be solved is

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \nabla^2 T, \quad (9)$$

The initial condition and the boundary condition are known to us. Thus a MATLAB code can be written to solve it.

```

1 clear all
2 clc
3 clf
4
5 h= 0.01;
6 x= 0:h:1;
7 n = 1/h + 1;
8 r = 1;
9 k = r*h^2;
10 t_now = zeros(n,1);
11 t0 = zeros(n,1);
12 ae = zeros(n,1);
13 aw = zeros(n,1);
14 ap = zeros(n,1);
15 su = zeros(n,1);
16 for i = 1:n
17     t0(i) = sin(pi*x(i));
18 end
19
20
21
22 t_before = t0;
23 plot(x,t_before,'LineWidth',4,'DisplayName','Initial Profile');
24 hold on ;
25 title("Temperature Profile across length") ;
26 ylabel("Temperature ");
27 xlabel("Length");
28 box on ;
29 grid on ;
30 for time = 0:k:0.2
31     ap(1) = 1.0;
32     su(1) = 0.0;
33     ae(1) = 0.0;
34     aw(1) = 0.0;
35     for i = 2:n-1
36         ap(i) = 2+2*r;
37         ae(i) = -r;
38         aw(i) = -r;
39         su(i) = (2-2*r)*t_before(i) + r*(t_before(i-1) + t_before(i+1));
40     end
41     ap(n) = 1.0;
42     su(n) = 0.0;
43     ae(n) = 0.0;
44     aw(n) = 0.0;
45     for i = 1:n
46         if(ap(i) == 0)
47             disp("Error ap becomes zero");
48         end
49     end
50     ae(1) = ae(1)/ap(1);
51     su(1) = su(1)/ap(1);
52     ap(1) = 1.0;
53     for i = 2:n
54         ap(i) = ap(i) - ae(i-1)*aw(i)/ap(i-1) ;
55         su(i) = su(i) - su(i-1)*aw(i)/ap(i-1) ;
56         aw(i) = 0;
57         ae(i) = ae(i) / ap(i);
58         aw(i) = aw(i) / ap(i);
59         su(i) = su(i) / ap(i);
60         ap(i) = 1.0;
61     end
62     t_now(n) = su(n)/ap(n);
63     for i = 2 : n
64         j = n-i + 1;
65         t_now(j) = (su(j) - ae(j)*t_now(j+1))/(ap(i)) ;
66     end
67     t_before = t_now;
68

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69 end
70 % For plotting properly
71 plot (x,t_now, 'LineWidth',4, 'DisplayName','Temperature Profile at t=0.2');
72 hold on ;
73 title ("Temperature Profile across length") ;
74 ylabel("Temperature ");
75 xlabel("Length");
76 box on ;
77 grid on ;
78 legend('show')
79 ax = gca ;
80 set(ax, 'linewidth',2.0);
81 axis('square');
82

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The temperature profile obtained is plotted in figure 6.

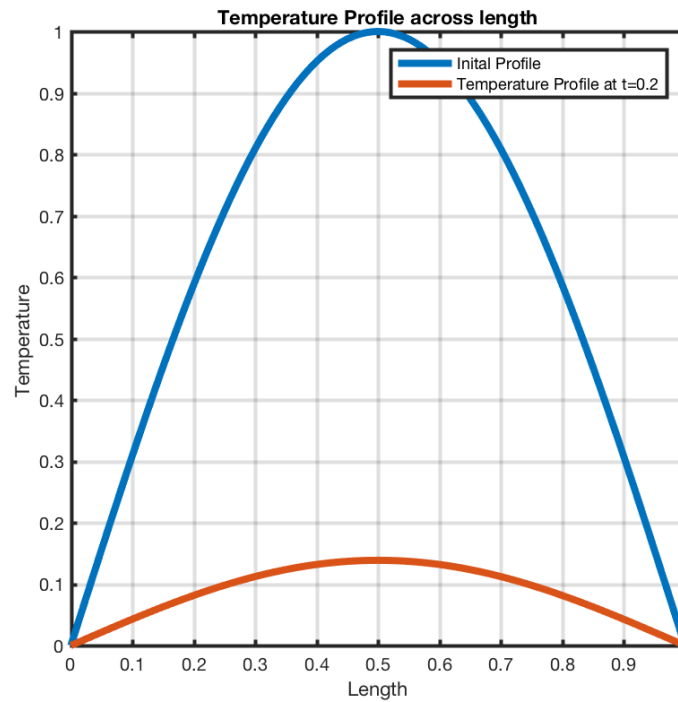


Figure 6: Temperature profile

5 Question 5

1D time-independent Schrödinger equation takes the form,

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + V(x)\psi = E\psi, \quad (10)$$

Where, the symbols take the usual meanings. Since, we are solving for a particle in a box, $V(x)$ is taken to be 0.

The usual way of solving differential equations by discretising it and applying the appropriate boundary conditions won't help here as $\psi(x) = 0$ is a trivial solution to this equation and hence $\psi(x)$ takes this solution which is not of interest. To overcome this, we can treat the Hamiltonian operator as a matrix operation.

Thus equation 10 can be re-written as ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\hbar^2}{m(\Delta x)^2} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{m(\Delta x)^2} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{m(\Delta x)^2} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{m(\Delta x)^2} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m(\Delta x)^2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{m(\Delta x)^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi(x(1)) \\ \psi(x(2)) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x(N)) \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} \psi(x(1)) \\ \psi(x(2)) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \psi(x(N)) \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

Now, instead of solving for $\psi(x)$, we can just find the eigen values of the Hamiltonian matrix, they would be the energy states of the particle and their correspondinf eigen vectors would be the waveform of $\psi(x)$ The code written to find the energy states of the particle.

```

1 clear all
2 clc
3 clf
4
5 a = 0.5e-09 ; % in nm
6 h = 6.626e-34;
7 m = 9.1e-31;
8 hbar = h/(2*3.1415);
9 N = 1000; % Excluding the boundary points
10 del = a/(N+1);
11 H = zeros(N,N);
12 %Populating the Hamiltonian Matrix
13 value = hbar*hbar/((del*del)*m);
14 for i = 2:N-1
15     H(i,i) = value;
16     H(i,i+1) = -0.5*value;
17     H(i,i-1) = -0.5*value;
18 end
19 H(1,1) = value;
20 H(1,2) = -0.5*value;
21 H(N,N) = value;
22 H(N,N-1) = -0.5*value;
23 %Finding the eigen values and eigen vectors
24 [e,d,w] = eig(H);
25 e = eig(H);
26 %Plotting
27 no_of_levels = 10;
28 n = 1:no_of_levels;
29 y = 1:no_of_levels;
30 energy = zeros(10,1);
31 factor = (h*h)/(8*m*a*a);
32 for i = 1:no_of_levels
33     y(i) = n(i)*n(i) * factor/(1.6e-19);
34     energy(i) = e(i)/(1.6e-19);
35 end
36 plot (n,energy, 'ro', 'LineWidth',4);
37 hold on;
38 plot (n,y, 'LineWidth',4);
39 title ("Energy for the first 10 levels") ;
40 ylabel("Energy (in eV)");
41 xlabel("Levels");
42 legend('Numerical','Analytical')
43 box on ;
44 grid on ;
45 ax = gca ;
46 set(ax, 'linewidth',2.0);
47 axis('square');
48
49 hold off;
50
51 clf;
52

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53 %Plotting Eigen Vectors
54 x= zeros(N+2,1);
55 wav = zeros(N+2,1);
56 for i = 2:N+2
57     x(i) = x(i-1) + del;
58 end
59 Wave = zeros(N+2,no_of_levels);
60 for j = 1:no_of_levels
61     for i = 2:N+1
62         Wave(i,j) = w(i-1,j);
63     end
64 end
65 for j = 1:5
66     for i = 1:N+2
67         wav(i) = Wave(i,j) + (j-1)*0.5;
68     end
69     str = ['n=', num2str(j)];
70     plot(x,wav,'LineWidth',4,'DisplayName',str);
71     hold on;
72     title("Form of Psi for the first 5 levels") ;
73     xlabel("Distance (in m)");
74     box on ;
75     grid on ;
76     ax = gca ;
77     set(ax, 'linewidth',2.0);
78     axis('square');
79 end
80 legend('show');
81 legend('location','eastoutside');

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The first 10 energy states are plotted and compared with the analytically derived solution in fig 7

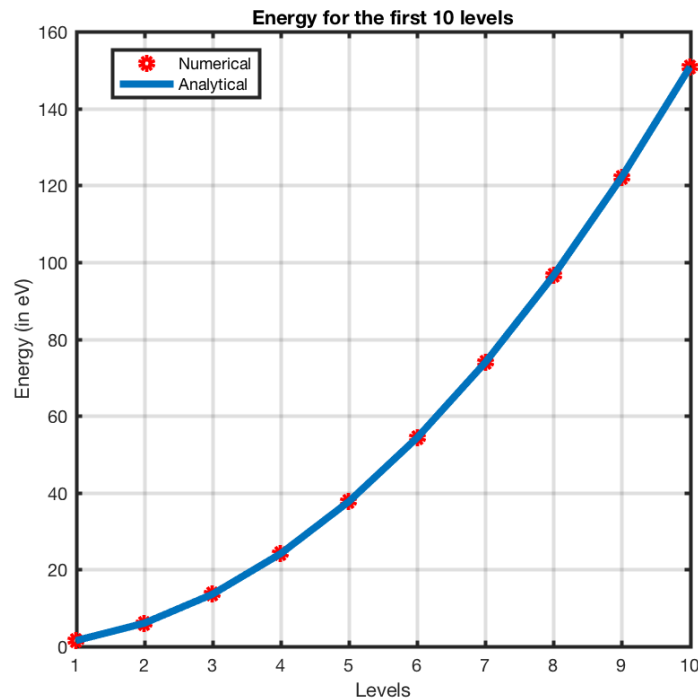


Figure 7: Comparison between energy states calculated numerically and analytically

The eigen vectors are also plotted in fig 8 for the first 5 energy states and they are just *sine* functions with no node for first energy state, one node for second energy state and so on.

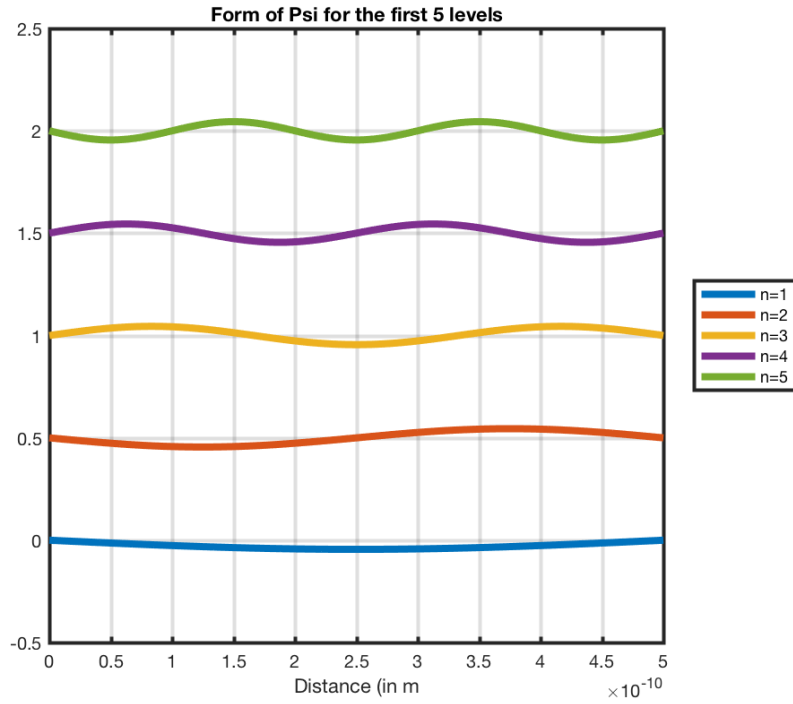


Figure 8: Eigen-vectors for first 5 energy states. The eigen-vectors are shifted above by $0.5 \times n$

The ground state of the system is calculated to be 1.5078 eV.