

MAP 502: Project in numerical modeling

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Exercise 1

For everybody as preparation for the final exam.

Go into the lectures notes and

1. Choose one of the three codes (10.1, 10.2 or 10.3/10.4) given in Chapter 10.
2. Copy and paste or simply re-implement the given code snippets on your own computer.
3. Try to understand what is implemented, run the code, recapitulate what I discussed in the lectures, and compare the results with what I presented in the oral lectures and lecture notes in the corresponding sections.
4. Interpret your findings and recapitulate (with the help of my lectures and the lecture notes) why they are as they are.
5. Play with the codes and change certain parameters, values or numbers and see how the results change. Why do they change in that way?

Each group is asked to give a short presentation (5-10 minutes) about their findings of Exercise 1 on Monday, Nov 27, 2017.

The final choice of the subsequent projects and groups will be made begin of October. Each group of two (or three) has to choose one of the following projects (Exercises).

Exercise 2

Let the following ODE initial-value problem be given:

$$y'(t) = ay(t), \quad y(t_0) = 7 \quad (1)$$

on the time interval (t_0, T) where $t_0 = 5$ and $T = 11$. Furthermore consider four different test cases with $a = 0.1, 2, -0.1, -2$.

1. Implement the Euler method, backward Euler method, and the Crank-Nicolson method in octave or python.
2. Using the backward Euler method and the Crank-Nicolson method, an implicit system arises. Formulate this system as root finding problem and formulate Newton's method (all details will be discussed in further meetings) to solve these implicit systems.
3. Recapitulate the stability regions for these three numerical schemes and compute the critical (time) step size for the Euler scheme.
4. Using different step sizes, investigate and analyze the findings (instability of the Euler method)
5. **(Optional)** Recapitulate (maybe I give further materials) the convergence and order of convergence for these three schemes
6. Compute the convergence order from the numerical results and compare what the theory says (similar to the lecture notes, Section 4.5 and 4.6).

Exercise 3

Let the following ODE initial-value problem be given on (t_0, T) :

$$y'(t) = ay^2(t), \quad y(t_0) = 31 \quad (2)$$

where $a = -0.1$ and the initial time is $t_0 = 2022$ and the final time is $T = 2050$.

1. Implement the Euler method, backward Euler method, and the Crank-Nicolson method in octave or python.
2. Using the backward Euler method and the Crank-Nicolson method, an implicit system arises. Formulate this system as root finding problem and formulate Newton's method according to Section 7.3 of the lecture notes.
3. Using different step sizes, investigate and analyze the findings and compute the convergence order with the help of the formulas given in Section 4.6 of the lecture notes.

Exercise 4

In this project we consider a boundary-value problem. Let the Poisson problem in 1D be given:

$$\begin{aligned} -u''(x) &= f, & \text{in } \Omega = (0, 1), \\ u(0) &= u(1) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where $f = 1$.

1. Recapitulate the finite element (FE) method in 1D using linear splines (will be introduced in detail in the upcoming lectures).
2. **Implement** the above equation using finite elements in octave or python (or another open-source software). This task comprises several sub-tasks:
 - Write down the weak form
 - Localize the weak form on each mesh element
 - Derive the linear equation system
 - Incorporate the Dirichlet boundary conditions
 - Solve the linear system
 - Visualize the final solution
3. **Verification of correctness of the code**
 - Detect numerically the convergence order by carrying out computations on a sequence of refined meshes.
 - For a given right hand side f , construct a manufactured solution (for the general procedure, please see Section 5.1).
 - Use the value of the right hand side f to re-run your code. Evaluate the value of u_h at $x = 0.5$ (here h indicates that u is obtained by the numerical method. In general h is the so-called discretization parameter). Compare this value to the exact value, which is obtained by evaluating the manufactured solution: $u(0.5)$.
 - Perform a quantitative convergence analysis via:

$$|u_h(0.5) - u(0.5)|$$

for various values for h (i.e., different meshes). Perform the computational convergence analysis as discussed in the lecture (see the lecture notes Section 4.6).

4. Implement the previous steps for solving the PDE:

$$\begin{aligned} -\varepsilon u''(x) + u'(x) &= 1, & \text{in } \Omega = (0, 1), \\ u(0) &= u(1) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where ε is a small but positive parameter, e.g., take $\varepsilon = 1, 10^{-2}, 10^{-4}$. What do you observe in the numerical results with respect to ε ?

Exercise 5

Let Ω be an open, bounded subset of \mathbb{R}^d , $d = 1$ and $I := (0, T]$ where $T > 0$ is the end time value. The IBVP (initial boundary-value problem) reads: Find $u := u(x, t) : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \partial_t u - \nabla \cdot (\alpha \nabla u) &= f && \text{in } \Omega \times I, \\ u &= a && \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, T], \\ u(0) &= g && \text{in } \Omega \times t = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where $f : \Omega \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\rho > 0$ are material parameters, and $a \geq$ is a Dirichlet boundary condition. More precisely, g is the initial temperature and a is the wall temperature, and f is some heat source.

1. Using finite differences in time and finite elements in space, implement the heat equation in octave or python (Hint: Try to implement a general One-Step- θ scheme with $\theta \in [0, 1]$ for temporal discretization and linear finite elements for spatial discretization).
2. Set $\Omega = (-10, 10)$, $f = 0$, $\alpha = 1$, $\rho = 1$, $a = 0$, $T = 1$, and

$$g = u(0) = \max(0, 1 - x^2).$$

and carry out simulations for $\theta = 0, 0.5, 1$. What do you observe? Why do you make these observations?

3. Justify (either mathematically or physically) the correctness of your findings.
4. **(Optional)** Why do you observe difficulties using $\theta < 0.5$. What is the reason and how can this difficulty be overcome?
5. Detecting the order of the temporal scheme: Choose a sufficiently fine spatial discretization (that is make the spatial discretization parameter h be sufficiently small) and compute with different time step sizes δt the value of the point $u(x_0, T) := u(x = 0; T = 1)$. Compute the error

$$|u_{\delta t_l}(x = 0; T = 1) - u_{\delta t_{fine}}(x = 0; T = 1)|, \quad l = l_0, l_0/2, l_0/4, \dots$$

How does the error behave with respect to different θ ?

6. **(Optional)** Detecting the order of spatial discretization: Choose a small δt and compute a sequence of solutions for various h , e.g., $h = h_0, h_0/2, h_0/4, \dots$. Observe again the point $u(x_0, T) := u(x = 0; T = 1)$. How does the error behave? What order of the spatial scheme do you detect?

Exercise 6

Develop a Newton scheme in \mathbb{R}^2 to find the root of the problem:

$$f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad f(x, y) = \left(2xay^2, 2(x^2 + \kappa)ay \right)^T,$$

where $\kappa = 0.01$ and $a = 5$.

1. Justify first that integration of f yields $F(x, y) = (x^2 + \kappa)ay^2$. What is the relation between f and F ?
2. Compute the root of f by hand. Derive the derivative f' and study its properties.
3. Finally, design the requested Newton algorithm. As initial guess, take $(x_0, y_0) = (4, -5)$.
4. What do you observe with respect to the number of Newton iterations?
5. How could we reduce the number of Newton steps?
6. Implement a simplified Newton scheme (i.e., the matrix is only build at the beginning or just at every other step). How does the number of iterations change?

Exercise 7

Search for a partner in class and realize your own idea (this was done by last year's students for example for a load-flow analysis problem, which finally led to a nonlinear system of equations, which we simplified in a proper way and which was then solved using Newton's method; Chapter 7 of the lecture notes). It is important that we try to simplify as much we can complicated equations from other disciplines that we are still able to implement them. Here the focus should then be on computational stability: What happens if you refine or enlargen the step size? How do the results then change? Can you construct a manufactured solution for this problem? How do different methods (in case of initial-value problems for example Euler, backward Euler, and Crank-Nicolson) compare?

Evaluation (December 11, 2017: 8.30 - 13.00h): The final exam consists of

- A report (word or latex) of your task, which contains the problem statement, the numerical approach(es), set-up of the numerical example(s), analysis/interpretation of the numerical results;
- A 15-20 minutes presentation (with blackboard or beamer).

Remark to all exercises: There is no problem to search on the internet to find code snippets or to use other programs for the solution of the above projects. For me it is important that I get the impression after the exam on Dec 11, 2017, that you have really understood what you implemented/analyzed and how to interpret your results. The goal of this class is to teach you various numerical schemes but also to get a feeling about their differences in using them and that different numerical schemes yield different results and one has to be careful when to use which scheme.

In case you have concerns or questions, please write me an email:

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This offer holds in particular true if you have specific questions of whatever kind to the lecture or to your chosen project.