

FEM12 - lecture 7

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In general:

$$\dot{u} = f(t, u)$$

Model problem:

$$\dot{u} + au = f(t)$$

FEM for ODE: dG(0)

dG(0): $U \in W_k$ with $U_0^- = u_0$, W_k space of piecewise constants

$$\int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} \dot{U}v + aUv - fvdtdt + (U_n - U_{n-1})v = 0, \quad \forall v \in W_k \Rightarrow$$

$$U_n = U_{n-1} - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} a(t)U(t) + f(t)dt$$

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \phi_i, \quad \phi_i = 1, \quad k_n = t_n - t_{n-1} \Rightarrow$$

$$\xi_n = \xi_{n-1} - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} a(t)\xi_n \phi_n + f(t)dt$$

Note that $\dot{U} = 0$ on a time interval $[t_{n-1}, t_n]$

FEM for ODE: dG(0)

Right-point quadrature, we get backward Euler (+ quad. err.):

$$\xi_n = \xi_{n-1} - k_n(a(t_n)\xi_n + f(t_n)) + E_q$$

FEM for ODE: cG(1)

cG(1): $U \in V_k$ with $U(0) = u_0$, V_k space of piecewise linears

$$\int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} \dot{U}v + aUv - fvd t = 0, \quad \forall v \in W_k \Rightarrow$$

$$U_n = U_{n-1} - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} a(t)U(t) + f(t)dt$$

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \phi_i, \quad \phi_i = \frac{t - t_{i-1}}{t_i - t_{i-1}}, \quad k_n = t_n - t_{n-1} \Rightarrow$$

$$\xi_n = \xi_{n-1} - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} a(t_n)(\xi_{n-1}\phi_{n-1} + \xi_n\phi_n) + f(t_n)dt$$

FEM for ODE: cG(1)

Trapezoid quadrature, we get Crank-Nicolson (+ quad. err.):

$$\xi_n = \xi_{n-1} - \frac{1}{2}k_n(a(t_{n-1})\xi_{n-1} + a(t_n)\xi_n + f(t_{n-1}) + f(t_n)) + E_q$$

Error estimate for dG(0)

For general ODE: $R(u) = \dot{u} - f(t, u) = 0$

Similar construction as for error estimates in space.

$$|u(T) - U(T)| \leq k |\hat{R}(U)| S(T)$$

where stability factor $S(T) = \frac{\int_0^T |\dot{\phi}| dt}{e_T}$

S gives a quantitative measure of the stability of the equation.

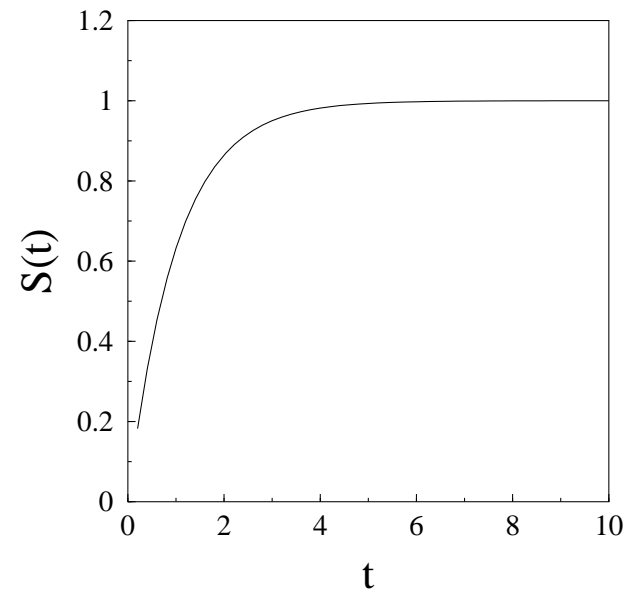
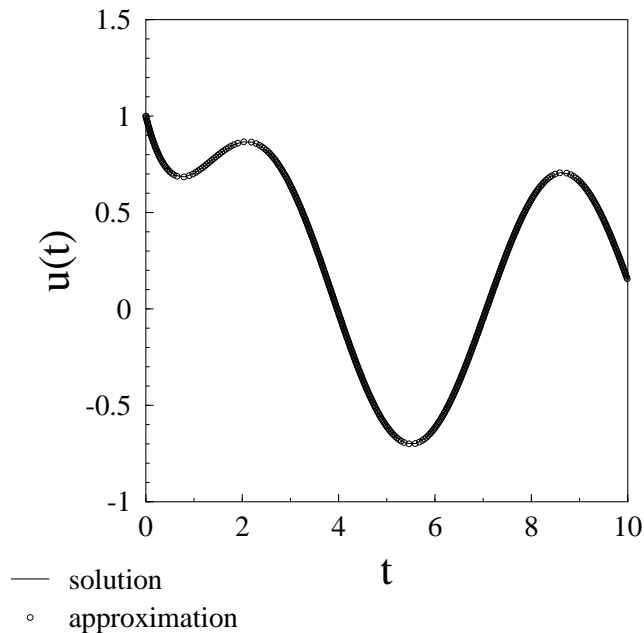
Stability factor examples

Primal equation

$$\dot{u} + u = \sin(t), \quad u(0) = u_0$$

Dual equation

$$-\dot{\phi} + u = 0, \quad \phi(T) = e_T$$



S doesn't grow with $T \Rightarrow$ equation is very stable/*parabolic*.

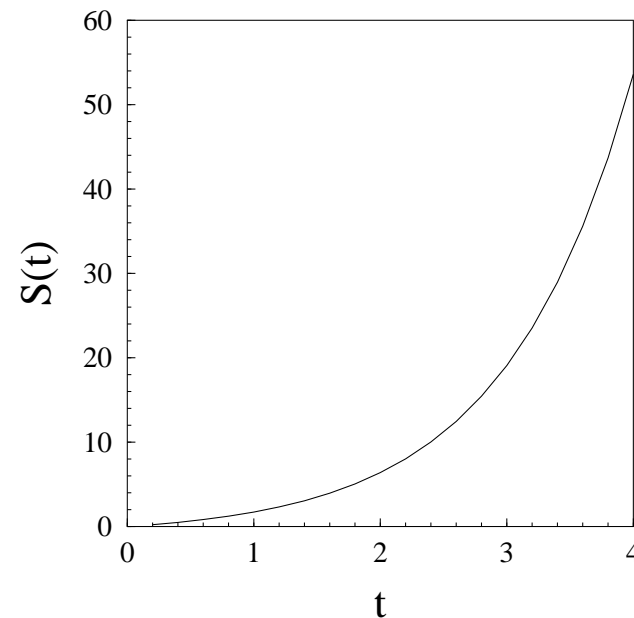
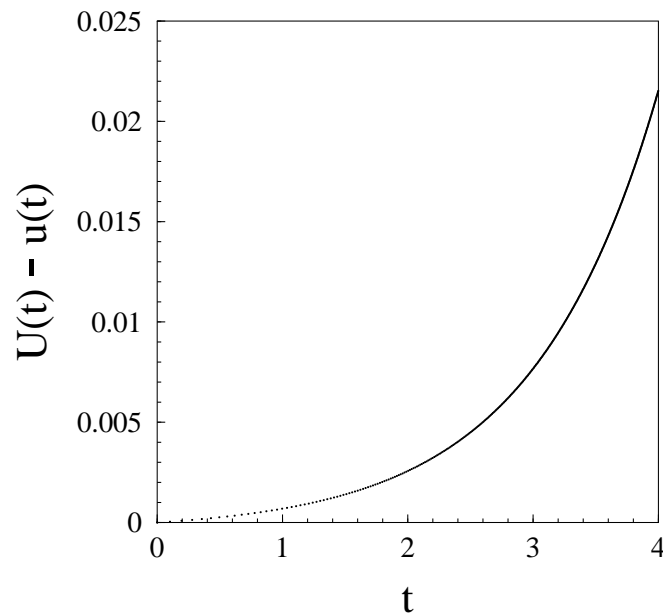
Stability factor examples

Primal equation

$$\dot{u} - u = f(t), \quad u(0) = u_0$$

Dual equation

$$-\dot{\phi} - u = 0, \quad \phi(T) = e_T$$



S grows exponentially with $T \Rightarrow$ very unstable/expensive to compute accurately.

FEM for IBVP/PDE (space-time)

Model problem (Heat equation):

$$i\dot{u} - \Delta u = f(t, x)$$

Domain D is cartesian product of domain in space and time interval: $D = \Omega \times I$

Mesh is space-time slab $D_n = T_n \times I_n$ where $T_n = K$ is triangulation of Ω and I_n is sub-interval of length $k_n = t_n - t_{n-1}$.

cG(1)dG(0): Trial and test space \bar{W}_k with basis functions $\bar{\phi} = \phi_t \phi_x$, where ϕ_t basis functions of W_k (piecewise constant/discontinuous in time) and ϕ_x basis functions of V_h (piecewise linear/continuous in space).

FEM for IBVP/PDE (space-time)

Galerkin's method for cG(1)dG(0):

$$(U_n, v) = (U_{n-1}, v) - \int_{t_{n-1}}^{t_n} (\nabla U, \nabla v) + (f, v) dt, \quad \forall v \in \bar{W}_k$$

$$U = \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \bar{\phi} = \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \phi_{xi}, \quad v = \phi_{xi}, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

Again, with right-endpoint quadrature we get backward Euler (+quad. err.):

$$(U_n, v) = (U_{n-1}, v) - k_n (\nabla U(t_n, x), \nabla v) + (f(t_n), v), \quad \forall v \in \bar{W}_k$$

FEM for IBVP/PDE (space-time)

Substituting U gives the formulas for matrix/vector elements.

Stability

Sensitivity to solution (or derivatives of solution) to perturbations in data f and u_0 .

Want to find bounds of type (for exact solution):

$$\|u\| \leq S\|f\| \text{ or } \|u\| \leq S\|u(0)\|$$

and for approximate solution:

$$\|U\| \leq S\|f\| \text{ or } \|U\| \leq S\|U(0)\|$$

where S is a constant/factor which doesn't depend on u or U .

Heat equation

$$\dot{u} - \Delta u = f(t, x)$$
$$u(0) = u_0$$

Assume $f = 0$

$$u(T) + 2 \int_0^T \|\nabla u\|^2 dt = \|u(0)\|^2$$

Dissipation of temperature/energy (u).

$$\|U_n\|^2 + 2k \|\nabla U\|^2 \leq \|U_{n-1}\|^2$$

Similar statement for discrete solution.

$$\|U_n\|^2 \leq \|U_{n-1}\|^2$$

Discrete solution does not grow for any time step.

Wave equation / cG(1)cG(1)

$$\ddot{u} - \Delta u = f(t, x)$$

$$u(0) = u_0, \quad \dot{u}(0) = \dot{u}_0$$

$$u(x) = 0, \quad x \in \Gamma$$

or

$$\dot{u}_1 - \Delta u_2 = 0$$

$$\Delta \dot{u}_2 + \Delta u_1 = f(t, x)$$

$$u(0) = u_0$$

$$u(x) = 0, \quad x \in \Gamma$$

Wave equation / cG(1)cG(1)

Assume $f = 0$

$$D_t(\|\dot{u}\|^2 + \|\nabla u\|^2) = 0$$

Total energy conserved.

$$\|U_n\| + \|\nabla U_n\| = \|U_{n-1}\| + \|\nabla U_{n-1}\|$$

Also total energy for discrete solution conserved.

Stability factor examples

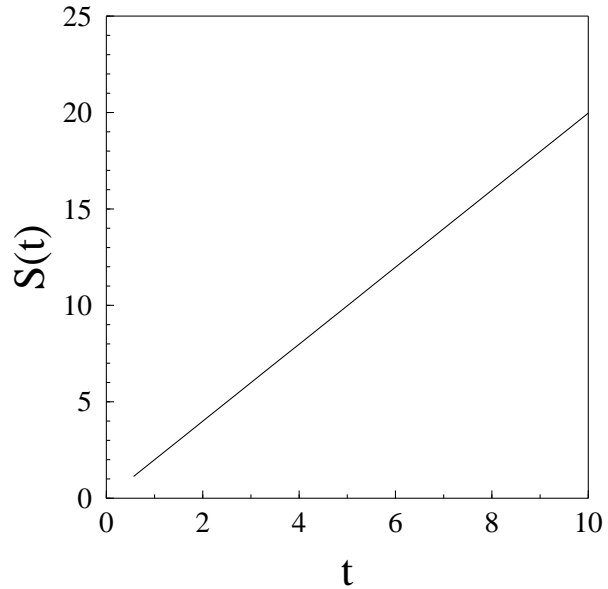
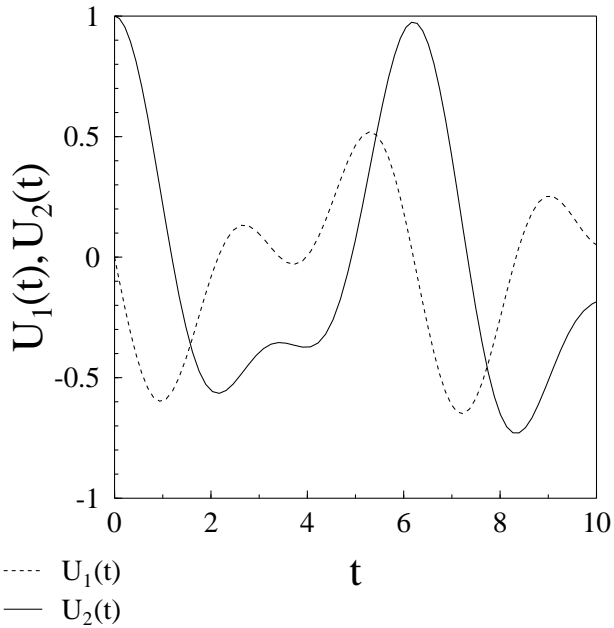
Primal equation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{u}_1 + 2u_2 &= \cos(\pi t/3) \\ \dot{u}_2 - 2u_1 &= 0 \\ u_1(0) &= 0, \quad u_2(0) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Dual equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\dot{\phi}_1 + 2\phi_2 &= 0 \\ -\dot{\phi}_2 - 2\phi_1 &= 0 \\ u_1(0) &= \psi_0, \quad u_2(0) = \psi_1 \end{aligned}$$

Stability factor examples



S grows linearly with $T \Rightarrow$ hyperbolic.

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Implementation of adaptivity