

# Numerical Methods II

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### Chapter 6

This chapter solves boundary value problems (BVP) using cubic spline

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# Introduction to Cubic Splines

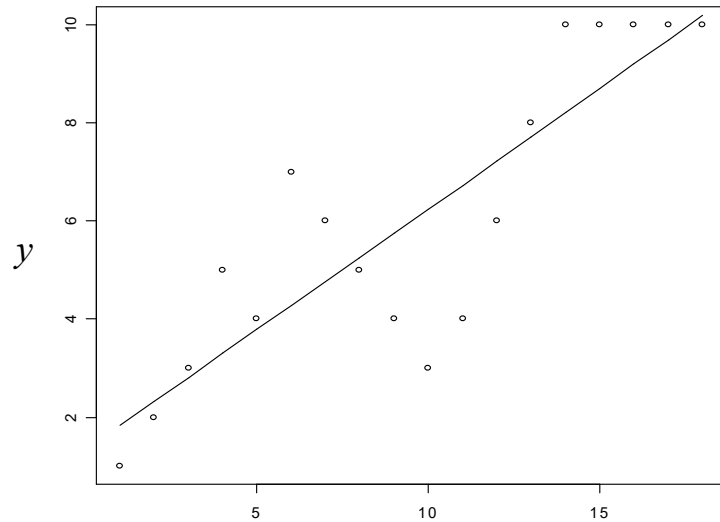


Figure (a)

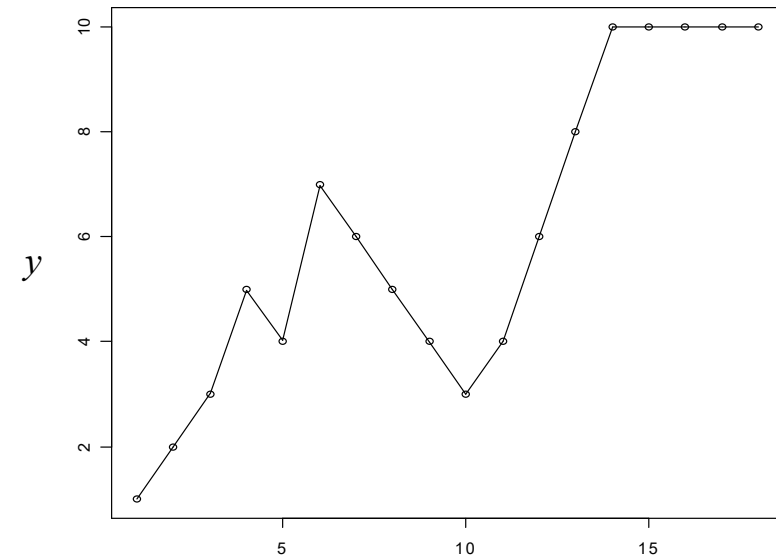


Figure (b)

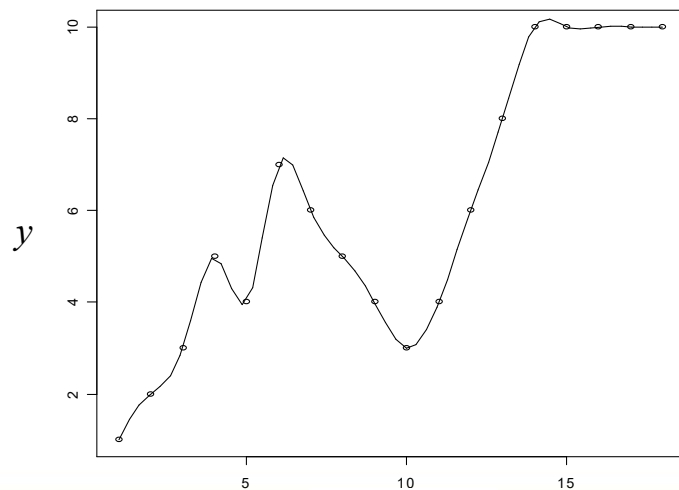


Figure (c)

Cubic spline – piecewise third order polynomial that passing all the given points (interpolation with assigned/prescribed order)

Figure (a) ( linear curve fitting), Figure (b) (piecewise linear interpolation), Figure (c) (piecewise high order interpolation)

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

$f$ , function defined on interval  $[a,b]$        $a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$

Cubic Spline Interpolant :  $f$  on  $a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$

(1) On each subinterval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j=0,1,\dots,n-1$ , coincides with cubic polynomial

$$s(x) = s_j(x) = a_j + b_j(x-x_j) + c_j(x-x_j)^2 + d_j(x-x_j)^3$$

- (2)  $s$  interpolates  $f$  at  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$ .      Function  $s$  composed of  $n$  different cubic polynomial ( $n$  intervals)  
 Total =  $4n$  unknowns.
- (3)  $s$  is continuous on  $[a,b]$ ;      Interpolation provided  $n+1$  equations.
- (4)  $s'$  is continuous on  $[a,b]$ ;      Continuity of spline and first two derivatives contributes  
 $3(n-1) = 3n-3$  equations (continuity apply at interior points  
 $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}$  only).
- (5)  $s''$  is continuous on  $[a,b]$ ;      Definition of cubic spline provide  $n+1+3(n-1) = 4n-2$  equations.  
 – two more equations will have to be specified.

Two different types of additional constraints – boundary conditions :

**Not-a-knot** boundary conditions

**Clamped (or complete)** boundary conditions.

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

Interpolation:

$$s_j(x_j) = a_j = f(x_j), \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

Continuity of spline:

$$a_{j+1} = a_j + b_j h_j + c_j h_j^2 + d_j h_j^3, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-2.$$

Continuity of spline derivative:

$$b_{j+1} = b_j + 2c_j h_j + 3d_j h_j^2, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-2.$$

Continuity of spline second derivative:

$$c_{j+1} = c_j + 3d_j h_j, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-2.$$

For simplicity, let  $h_j = x_{j+1} - x_j$ .

$$a_n = f(x_n) = f(b).$$

Interpolation conditions directly provide values of  $a_j$ .

Solve for continuity of spline second derivative for  $d_j$ :

$$d_j = \frac{c_{j+1} - c_j}{3h_j} \quad (1)$$

Combine with continuity of spline and first derivative gives:

$$a_{j+1} = a_j + b_j h_j + c_j h_j^2 + \frac{c_{j+1} - c_j}{3} h_j^2 = a_j + b_j h_j + \frac{c_{j+1} + 2c_j}{3} h_j^2 \quad (2)$$

$$b_{j+1} = b_j + 2c_j h_j + (c_{j+1} - c_j) h_j = b_j + (c_{j+1} + c_j) h_j \quad (3)$$

Solve eq (2) for  $b_j$ :

$$b_j = \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j} - \frac{2c_j + c_{j+1}}{3} h_j \quad (4)$$

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

Substitute eq (4) into eq (3):

$$h_{j-1}c_{j-1} + 2(h_{j-1} + h_j)c_j + h_jc_{j+1} = \frac{3}{h_j}(a_{j+1} - a_j) - \frac{3}{h_{j-1}}(a_j - a_{j-1}), \quad j=1,2,\dots,n-1. \quad (5)$$

Eq (5) produce **tridiagonal** system of equations

Equations for  $j=0$  and  $j=n$  depend on type of boundary conditions.

Solve tridiagonal system in eq(5) to compute  $c_j$ .

Use eq(1) to compute  $d_j$ ,

Eq(4) is used to compute  $b_j$ .

Use  $a_j=f(x_j)$ .

$$s(x)=s_j(x)=a_j+b_j(x-x_j)+c_j(x-x_j)^2+d_j(x-x_j)^3$$

### Not-a-Knot boundary conditions

When no information other than the value of  $f$  at each interpolating point is available (boundary Point), not-a-knot BC is applied.

$$\text{on } a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n=b$$

On subinterval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j=0,1,\dots,n-1$ ,

$$s(x)=s_j(x)=a_j+b_j(x-x_j)+c_j(x-x_j)^2+d_j(x-x_j)^3$$

→  $s'''$  be continuous at  $x=x_1$  and  $x=x_{n-1}$ .

$$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} s_0(x_1) = 6d_0, \quad \frac{d^3}{dx^3} s_1(x_1) = 6d_1$$

$$\frac{d^3}{dx^3} s_{n-2}(x_{n-1}) = 6d_{n-2}, \quad \frac{d^3}{dx^3} s_{n-1}(x_{n-1}) = 6d_{n-1}$$

$$\rightarrow d_0 = d_1, \quad d_{n-2} = d_{n-1}.$$

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

### Not-a-Knot boundary conditions

$$\rightarrow d_0 = d_1, \quad d_{n-2} = d_{n-1}.$$

Using eq (1),

$$d_j = \frac{c_{j+1} - c_j}{3h_j} \quad (1)$$

$$d_0 = \frac{c_1 - c_0}{3h_0} = d_1 = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{3h_1} \quad d_{n-2} = \frac{c_{n-1} - c_{n-2}}{3h_{n-2}} = d_{n-1} = \frac{c_n - c_{n-1}}{3h_{n-1}}$$

Become:

$$h_1 c_0 - (h_0 + h_1) c_1 + h_0 c_2 = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$h_{n-1} c_{n-2} - (h_{n-2} + h_{n-1}) c_{n-1} + h_{n-2} c_n = 0. \quad (7)$$

Eq (6) & (7) do not preserve the **tridiagonal** structure.

Solve eq (6) & (7) for  $c_0$  &  $c_n$ .  $\rightarrow$

$$c_0 = \left(1 + \frac{h_0}{h_1}\right) c_1 - \frac{h_0}{h_1} c_2, \quad (8)$$

$$c_n = -\frac{h_{n-1}}{h_{n-2}} c_{n-2} + \left(1 + \frac{h_{n-1}}{h_{n-2}}\right) c_{n-1}. \quad (9)$$

Substitute  $c_0$  from eq (8) into (5), for  $j=1$ , we get

$$\left(3h_0 + 2h_1 + \frac{h_0^2}{h_1}\right) c_1 + \left(h_1 - \frac{h_0^2}{h_1}\right) c_2 = \frac{3}{h_1} (a_2 - a_1) - \frac{3}{h_0} (a_1 - a_0) \quad (10)$$

Substitute  $c_n$  from eq (9) into (5), for  $j=n-1$ , we get

$$\left(h_{n-2} - \frac{h_{n-1}^2}{h_{n-2}}\right) c_{n-2} + \left(3h_{n-1} + 2h_{n-2} + \frac{h_{n-1}^2}{h_{n-2}}\right) c_{n-1} = \frac{3}{h_{n-1}} (a_n - a_{n-1}) - \frac{3}{h_{n-2}} (a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}) \quad (11)$$

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

### Not-a-Knot boundary conditions

$$h_{j-1}c_{j-1} + 2(h_{j-1} + h_j)c_j + h_jc_{j+1} = \frac{3}{h_j}(a_{j+1} - a_j) - \frac{3}{h_{j-1}}(a_j - a_{j-1}) \quad , j=2,3,\dots,n-2. \quad (5.a)$$

$$\left(3h_0 + 2h_1 + \frac{h_0^2}{h_1}\right)c_1 + \left(h_1 - \frac{h_0^2}{h_1}\right)c_2 = \frac{3}{h_1}(a_2 - a_1) - \frac{3}{h_0}(a_1 - a_0) \quad (10)$$

$$\left(h_{n-2} - \frac{h_{n-1}^2}{h_{n-2}}\right)c_{n-2} + \left(3h_{n-1} + 2h_{n-2} + \frac{h_{n-1}^2}{h_{n-2}}\right)c_{n-1} = \frac{3}{h_{n-1}}(a_n - a_{n-1}) - \frac{3}{h_{n-2}}(a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}) \quad (11)$$

(5.a), (10), (11) produce complete tridiagonal system for  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n-1}$ .

→ strictly diagonally dominant → nonsingular matrix → unique solution for  $c_j$ .

Example:  $h_j=100$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 600 & 0 & & & & & & & \\ 100 & 400 & 100 & & & & & & \\ & 100 & 400 & 100 & & & & & \\ & & 100 & 400 & 100 & & & & \\ & & & 100 & 400 & 100 & & & \\ & & & & 100 & 400 & 100 & & \\ & & & & & 100 & 400 & 100 & \\ & & & & & & 0 & 600 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \\ c_5 \\ c_6 \\ c_7 \end{bmatrix} = 0.03 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0.001 \\ -0.003 \\ 0.007 \\ -0.002 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Temperature, K	Emittance, E	Temperature, K	Emittance, E
300	0.024	800	0.083
400	0.035	900	0.097
500	0.046	1000	0.111
600	0.058	1100	0.125
700	0.067		

Apply (8) & (9) to compute  $c_0$  &  $c_8$ .  $a=300=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_7 < x_8=1100=b$

On each subinterval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j=0,1,\dots,8-1$ , coincides with cubic polynomial

$$s(x) = s_j(x) = a_j + b_j(x - x_j) + c_j(x - x_j)^2 + d_j(x - x_j)^3 \quad a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$$

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

### Not-a-Knot boundary conditions

$$a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$$

$$a=300=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_7 < x_8 = 1100=b$$

On each subinterval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j=0, 1, \dots, 8-1$ ,  
coincides with cubic polynomial

$$s(x)=s_j(x)=a_j+b_j(x-x_j)+c_j(x-x_j)^2+d_j(x-x_j)^3$$

$j$	$a_j$	$b_j$	$c_j$	$d_j$
0	0.024	0.00012256410	-0.00000018846	0.00000000063
1	0.035	0.00010371795	0	0.00000000063
2	0.046	0.00012256410	0.00000018846	-0.00000000214
3	0.058	0.00009602564	-0.00000045385	0.00000000391
4	0.067	0.00012333333	0.00000072692	-0.00000000360
5	0.083	0.00016064103	-0.00000035385	0.00000000147
6	0.097	0.00013410256	0.00000008846	-0.00000000029
7	0.111	0.00014294872	0	-0.00000000029



## Cubic Spline Interpolation

### Clamped boundary conditions

If the values  $f'(a)$  and  $f'(b)$  are known, better apply **clamped (or complete) BC**:

$$s'(a)=f'(a) \text{ and } s'(b)=f'(b).$$

$$a=x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$$

On each subinterval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ ,  $j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ,  
coincides with cubic polynomial

$$s(x)=s_j(x)=a_j+b_j(x-x_j)+c_j(x-x_j)^2+d_j(x-x_j)^3$$

$$b_j = \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j} - \frac{2c_j + c_{j+1}}{3} h_j \quad (4)$$

Start with  $x=a$ ,  $f'(a)=s'(a)=s_0'(a)=b_0$ .

Eq (4) with  $j=0$ , we get

$$f'(a) = \frac{a_1 - a_0}{h_0} - \frac{2c_0 + c_1}{3} h_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2h_0c_0 + h_0c_1 = \frac{3}{h_0}(a_1 - a_0) - 3f'(a) \quad (12)$$

At  $x=b$ ,  $f'(b)=s'(b)=s_n'(b)=b_n$ .

$$b_{j+1} = b_j + 2c_j h_j + (c_{j+1} - c_j) h_j = b_j + (c_{j+1} + c_j) h_j \quad (3)$$

Use eq (3) and eq(4), we get

$$h_{n-1}c_{n-1} + 2h_{n-1}c_n = 3f'(b) - \frac{3}{h_{n-1}}(a_n - a_{n-1}) \quad j=1, 2, \dots, n-1, \quad (13)$$

$$h_{j-1}c_{j-1} + 2(h_{j-1} + h_j)c_j + h_jc_{j+1} = \frac{3}{h_j}(a_{j+1} - a_j) - \frac{3}{h_{j-1}}(a_j - a_{j-1}), \quad j=2, 3, \dots, n-2. \quad (5.a)$$

(5.a), (12), (13) produce complete tridiagonal system for  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n-1}$ .

→ strictly diagonally dominant → nonsingular matrix → unique solution for  $c_j$ .

## Cubic Spline Interpolation

### Clamped boundary conditions

Example:  $h_j=0.5$

Exact:  $f(x)=(x+1)e^{-x}$

$$h_{j-1}c_{j-1} + 2(h_{j-1} + h_j)c_j + h_jc_{j+1} = \frac{3}{h_j}(a_{j+1} - a_j) - \frac{3}{h_{j-1}}(a_j - a_{j-1})$$

$$, j=2,3,\dots,n-2.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.5 & & & \\ 0.5 & 2 & 0.5 & & \\ & 0.5 & 2 & 0.5 & \\ & & 0.5 & 2 & 0.5 \\ & & & 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3.20868 \\ -3.89232 \\ -1.59504 \\ -0.50304 \\ -0.05940 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
-1.0	0.00000	2.71828
-0.5	0.82436	
0.0	1.00000	
0.5	0.90980	
1.0	0.73576	-0.36788

Apply eq (1) &(4), we get

$j$	$a_j$	$b_j$	$c_j$	$d_j$
0	0.00000	2.71828000000	-2.62214571429	0.96605142857
1	0.82436	0.82067285714	-1.17306857143	0.46856571429
2	1.00000	-0.00097142857	-0.47022000000	0.22272571429
3	0.90980	-0.30414714286	-0.13613142857	0.09653142857

$$d_j = \frac{c_{j+1} - c_j}{3h_j} \quad (1)$$

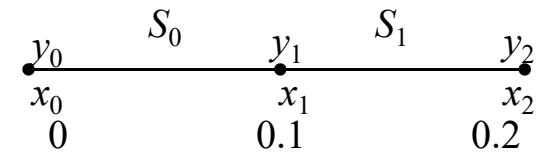
$$b_j = \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j} - \frac{2c_j + c_{j+1}}{3}h_j \quad (4)$$

## Cubic Spline for Boundary value problem

E.g.  $y'' - 2y' = e^x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 0.2$ , step size ( $h=0.1$ ),

Boundary condition,  $y(0)=1$ ,  $y'(0.2)=1.7622$ .

Analytical solution:  $y=1+e^{2x}-e^x$ .  $y(0.1)=1.1162$ ,  $y(0.2)=1.2704$



$$s_0(x_1) = s_1(x_1)$$

$$a_0 + b_0(h_0) + c_0(h_0)^2 + d_0(h_0)^3 = a_1 \quad (1)$$

$$s'_0(x_1) = s'_1(x_1)$$

$$b_0 + 2c_0(h_0) + 3d_0(h_0)^2 = b_1 \quad (2)$$

$$s''_0(x_1) = s''_1(x_1)$$

$$2c_0 + 6d_0(h_0) = 2c_1 \quad (3)$$

$$s''_0(x_{0.5}) - 2s'_0(x_{0.5}) = \exp(x_{0.5})$$

$$(2c_0 + 6d_0 \frac{h_0}{2}) - 2[b_0 + 2c_0 \frac{h_0}{2} + 3d_0(\frac{h_0}{2})^2] = \exp(x_{0.5}) \quad (4)$$

BVP → Use middle point

$$s''_1(x_{1.5}) - 2s'_1(x_{1.5}) = \exp(x_{1.5})$$

$$(2c_1 + 6d_1 \frac{h_1}{2}) - 2[b_1 + 2c_1 \frac{h_1}{2} + 3d_1(\frac{h_1}{2})^2] = \exp(x_{1.5}) \quad (5)$$

BVP → Use middle point

$$s_0(x_0) = a_0 = 1 \quad (6)$$

B.C.,  $y(0)=1$

$$s'_1(x_2) = b_1 + 2c_1(h_1) + 3d_1(h_1)^2 = 1.7622 \quad (7)$$

B.C.  $y'(0.2)=1.7622$

$$s'''_0(x_1) = s'''_1(x_1) \rightarrow 6d_0 = 6d_1 \quad (8)$$

Not a knot B.C.

## Cubic Spline for Boundary value problem

Let  $s = [a_0 \ b_0 \ c_0 \ d_0 \ a_1 \ b_1 \ c_1 \ d_1]^T$       Let  $As = B$        $A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ \vdots \\ A_8 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ \vdots \\ B_8 \end{bmatrix}$       where  $A_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row of  $A$

Then eq (1) can be rewritten as

$$[1, (h_0), (h_0)^2, (h_0)^3, -1, 0, 0, 0]s = 0 \quad (1a) \quad \rightarrow A_1 s = B_1$$

$$\text{eq (2)} \rightarrow [0, 1, (2h_0), 3(h_0)^2, 0, -1, 0, 0]s = 0 \quad (2a) \quad \rightarrow A_2 s = B_2$$

$$\text{eq (3)} \rightarrow [0, 0, 2, 6(h_0), 0, 0, -2, 0]s = 0 \quad (3a) \quad \rightarrow A_3 s = B_3$$

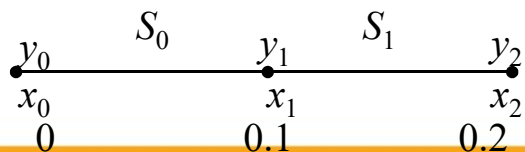
$$\text{eq (4)} \rightarrow [0, -2, (2-2h_0), (3h_0 - h_0^2 \frac{3}{2}), 0, 0, 0, 0]s = \exp(0.05) \quad (4a) \quad \rightarrow A_4 s = B_4$$

$$\text{eq (5)} \rightarrow [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2, (2-2h_1), (3h_1 - h_1^2 \frac{3}{2})]s = \exp(0.15) \quad (5a) \quad \rightarrow A_5 s = B_5$$

$$\text{eq (6)} \rightarrow [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]s = 1 \quad (6a) \quad \rightarrow A_6 s = B_6$$

$$\text{eq (7)} \rightarrow [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, (2h_1), 3(h_1)^2]s = 1.7622 \quad (7a) \quad \rightarrow A_7 s = B_7$$

$$\text{eq (8)} \rightarrow [0, 0, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0, -6]s = 1 \quad (8a) \quad \rightarrow A_8 s = B_8$$



## Cubic Spline for Boundary value problem

$$\text{Let } s = [a_0 \ b_0 \ c_0 \ d_0 \ a_1 \ b_1 \ c_1 \ d_1]^T$$

$$\text{Let } As = B$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ \vdots \\ A_8 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ \vdots \\ B_8 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row of A



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & 0.01 & 0.001 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0.2 & 0.03 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0.6 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1.8 & 0.285 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1.8 & 0.285 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.2 & 0.03 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix} S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1.051271096 \\ 1.161834243 \\ 1 \\ 1.7622 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

After solving  $As = B$ , we get

$$s = [1, 1.001299, 1.45277, 1.53994, 1.116198, 1.338051, 1.914752, 1.373273]^T$$

$$s_1(h) = 1.116198 + 1.338051 h + 1.914752 h^2 + 1.373273 h^3, \quad h = x - 0.1$$

$$y(0.2) = s_1(x_2) = 1.2705$$

$$\text{Analytical solution: } y = 1 + e^{2x} - e^x. \quad y(0.1) = 1.1162, \quad y(0.2) = 1.2704$$

If using FDM with same grid arrangement, we will get  $y_1 = 1.1341, y_2 = 1.3104$

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