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COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS

Exercise Set 4

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- 1. For cooling differential equation, calculate analytical solution as well as numerical one. Then plot Δ as a function of discretization parameter.
- 2. Compute Temperature profile for position and time for a rod.
- 3. Solve Laplace's equation numerically. (relaxation method or finite difference method)
- **4.** Solve the following integration numerically:

$$\langle v_z^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dv_x \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dv_y \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dv_z v_z^2 p_v(\vec{v})$$

here $p_v(\vec{v}) = \left(\frac{\beta m}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta m \vec{v}^2}{2}\right)$. You can imagine any values for free parameters.

- 5. Write down a program to compute the rounding errors of your computer for single and double precisions.
- 6. Using Euler and RF4 methods, solve following initial value problem:

$$y''(t) + ay'(t) + \omega^2 y(t) = \cos(\omega_1 t)$$

with y(0) = A, y'(0) = 0 and take any arbitrary values for other free parameters.

7. Linear Boundary value problem: Suppose numerically y''(t) + 2y'(t) + y(t) = 0 with y(0) = 1 and y(1) = 3and compare it with exact solution.

(For more details see:

http://www.stewartcalculus.com/data/CALCULUS%20Concepts%20and%20Contexts/upfiles/3c3- ${\bf 2ndOrderLinearEqns_Stu.pdf)}.$

8. Non-linear Boundary value problem: Solve numerically following equations:

A: $y''(t) = 2y(t)^3 - 6y(t) - 2t^3$ with y(1) = 2 and y(2) = 5/2. (The exact result is y(t) = t + 1/t).

B: $y^{(3)}(t) + y(t)y''(t) - y'(t)^2 + 1 = 0$, with y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0, y(1) = 0. C: $y^{(4)}(t) + y(t)^2 = \frac{t^{-5/2}}{16}(9 + 30t + 105t^2) + t^3(1 - t)^4$, with y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0, y(1) = 0, y'(1) = 0. (The exact solution is $y(t) = t^{3/2}(1-t)^2$.

Good luck, Movahed