

SOME DIFFERENCE SCHEMES FOR TWO POINT  
BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEMS

Dragoslav Herceg

Prirodno-matematički fakultet. Institut za matematiku  
21000 Novi Sad, ul. dr Ilije Djuričića br. 4, Jugoslavija

ABSTRACT

This paper is concerned with discretizing the boundary value problems in ordinary differential equations. We set up a total of 4 schemes for a boundary value problem  $x'' = f(t, x)$  on  $[0, 1]$ ,  $R_i x = \gamma_i$  ( $i=1, 2,$ ), with four classes of linear functionals  $R_i$  on  $C^1[0, 1]$  on a nonuniform mesh.

1. INTRODUCTION

We shall consider a boundary value problem of the form

$$(1) -x'' = f(t, x), \quad t \in I = [0, 1], \quad R_i x = \gamma_i, \quad i=0, 1,$$

with four classes of linear functionals  $R_i$  on  $C^1(I)$ . We assume that  $f \in C(I \times \mathbb{R})$  and  $\gamma_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i=0, 1$ . Further assumptions will come into the discussion later.

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . With  $k_j \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $k_j > 0$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  we define a nonuniform mesh

$$(2) I_h = \{t_0 = 0, t_j = t_{j-1} + h k_j; \quad j=1, 2, \dots, n\},$$

where

$$h^{-1} = \sum_{j=1}^n k_j.$$

For the numerical solution of problem (1) we form a discrete analogue to (1) with canonical form

$$(3) A_h x = B_h F_h x + r_h [\gamma_0, \gamma_1] \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^{I_h},$$

where  $A_h, B_h \in L(\mathbb{R}^{I_h}, \mathbb{R}^{I_h})$  (= set of all linear operators on  $\mathbb{R}^{I_h}$ )  
and where  $r_h \in L(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^{I_h})$ . For any of our schemes  $F_h$  is the non-linear mapping to  $\mathbb{R}^{I_h}$  into itself which assigns to  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{I_h}$  the element  $F_h x \in \mathbb{R}^{I_h}$  whose t-th component is given via

$$(F_h x)(t) = f(t, x(t)), \quad t \in I_h.$$

Any sequence of discrete problems (3) defines a (finite difference)scheme for the boundary value problem (1).

The i-th equation of (3) reads

$$\sum_{j=0}^n A_h(i,j)x_j = \sum_{j=0}^n B_h(i,j)F_h x_j + r_h[Y_0, Y_1](i).$$

We abbreviate this as

$$\begin{aligned} (A_h(i,0), \dots, \underline{A_h(i,i)}, \dots, A_h(i,n)) = \\ (\underline{B_h(i,0)}, \dots, \underline{B_h(i,i)}, \dots, B_h(i,n)) + r_h[Y_0, Y_1](i), \end{aligned}$$

where we shall leave out zero entries and where we shall write the common factors of the entries of the respective matrices in front of the parentheses, see [2].

We form the finite difference schemes for (1) by using the second order approximation of  $-x''$  and  $R_i x$  from [4], [5]. Now we shall describe this formula.

Let

$$x \in C^4(I), \quad h \in \mathbb{R}, \quad h > 0, \quad \alpha_j \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \quad j=1, 2, 3, \quad \alpha_1 \neq \alpha_j$$

if  $i \neq j$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ , and  $t, t + h\alpha_j \in I$ ,  $j=1, 2, 3$ . Then

$$(4) \quad -x''(t) = h^{-2} (ax(t+\alpha_1 h) + bx(t) + cx(t+\alpha_2 h) + dx(t+\alpha_3 h)) + O(h^2)$$

$$(5) \quad x'(t) = h^{-1} (\hat{a}x(t+\alpha_1 h) + \hat{b}x(t) + \hat{c}x(t+\alpha_2 h) + \hat{d}x(t+\alpha_3 h)) + O(h^2)$$

where

$$a = \frac{2(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)}{\alpha_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_1 - \alpha_3)}, \quad b = \frac{-2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3},$$

$$(6) \quad c = \frac{2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_3)}{\alpha_2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)}, \quad d = \frac{2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\alpha_3(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_2)},$$

$$(7) \quad \hat{a} = \frac{-\alpha_2}{\alpha_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}, \quad \hat{b} = -\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}, \quad \hat{c} = \frac{-\alpha_1}{\alpha_2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)}$$

All the schemes described in this paper in the case that  $I_h$  is a uniform mesh with the step width  $h = n^{-1}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , are the same as in [2]. Also properties of our matrices  $A_h$ , we shall prove by using the methods from [1], [2], [8], [9].

In [6], [7] is also considered the fourth order Hermitean approximation of (1) and the second order approximation of

$$(8) \quad -x'' + p(t)x = f(x), \quad t \in I, \quad R_i x = \gamma_i, \quad i=0,1, \quad p \in C(I).$$

Also in [3] are given some difference schemes on a nonuniform mesh (2) for (1) and (8). So, we have 12 different schemes on a nonuniform mesh which, in the special case when the mesh is uniform, are the same as in [2].

## 2. FINITE DIFFERENCE SCHEMES

In this section we describe the schemes which we are going to be discussed. We separate four cases of boundary constraints (as in [2]):

### I Dirichlet conditions

$$Rx = x(0), \quad R_1 x = x(1)$$

### II The uncoupled boundary conditions involving derivatives at both endpoints

$$R_0 x = g_0 x(0) - x'(0), \quad R_1 x = g_1 x(1) + x'(1),$$

$$g_0 > 0, \quad g_1 > 0, \quad g_0 + g_1 > 0.$$

### III The uncoupled boundary conditions involving a derivative at one endpoint

$$R_0 x = x(0), \quad R_1 x = g_1 x(1) + x'(1), \quad g_1 > 0,$$

$$R_0 x = g_0 x(0) - x'(0), \quad R_1 x = x(1), \quad g_0 > 0,$$

respectively.

## IV Sturm-Liouville conditions of the form

$$R_0 x = g x(0) - g_0 x'(0) + g_1 x'(1), \quad R_1 x = x(0) - x(1), \\ g > 0, \quad g_0 > 0, \quad g_1 > 0.$$

Thus we assume  $\gamma_1 = 0$  in (1).

In the following cases  $I_h$ ,  $h$  are as in the introduction.

CASE I. Let

$$(9) \quad 1 \leq k_i \leq k_{i+1}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-2, \\ k_n = \sum_{j=0}^{p_{n-1}} k_{n-1-j} \quad \text{for some } p_{n-1} \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-2\}.$$

We define (with  $k_{n+1} := k_n$ )

$$(10) \quad \alpha_2(i) = k_{i+1}, \quad \alpha_3(i) = \alpha_2(i) + k_{i+2}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1,$$

$$(11) \quad \alpha_1(i) = - \sum_{j=0}^{p_i} k_{i-j}, \quad i=1, \dots, n-1.$$

Here  $p_{n-1}$  is determined in (9) and  $p_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, i-1\}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-2$

we determine so that

$$(12) \quad \alpha_1(i) + \alpha_3(i) \geq 0, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-2.$$

It is shown in [4] how one can determine  $p_i$ . The choice  $p_i = 0$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , and  $k_{n-1} = k_n$  also possible.

From (9) - (12) follows

$$\alpha_1(i) < 0, \quad 0 < \alpha_2(i) \leq 0.5\alpha_3(i),$$

$$(13) \quad \alpha_1(i) + \alpha_3(i) \geq 0, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1,$$

$$(14) \quad \alpha_1(n-1) + \alpha_2(n-1) = 0,$$

$$t_i + \alpha_j(i)h \in I_h, \quad j=1, 2; \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1,$$

$$t_i + \alpha_3(i)h \in I_{h-1}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-2.$$

Let  $a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i$  be determined by (6), as  $a, b, c, d$  respectively, with  $\alpha_1(i)$ ,  $\alpha_2(i)$ ,  $\alpha_3(i)$ . Then we have the following scheme.

Scheme I.

$$(1) = (0) + \gamma_i \quad \text{for } t = 0, 1,$$

$$h^{-2} (a_i, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{p_i}, b_i, c_i, d_i) = (1) \quad \text{for } t_i \in I_h \setminus \{0, 1, t_{n-1}\},$$

$$h^{-2} (a_{n-1}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{p_{n-1}}, b_{n-1}, c_{n-1}) = (1) \quad \text{for } t = t_{n-1}.$$

REMARK. The assumption (9) is natural in the case when the solution  $x$  of (1) has a boundary layer property at  $t=0$ . If  $x$  has this property at  $t=1$  we can use the scheme

$$(1) = (0) + \gamma_i \quad \text{for } t = 0, 1$$

$$h^{-2} (c_1, b_1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{p_i}, a_1) = (1) \quad \text{for } t = t_1$$

$$h^{-2} (d_1, c_1, b_1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{p_i}, a_1) = (1) \quad \text{for } t \in I_h \setminus \{0, 1, t_1\},$$

with  $k_1 = k_2$ ,  $k_1 \geq k_{i+1} \geq 1$ ,  $i=2, \dots, n-1$ , and  $\alpha_1(i) = \alpha_2(i)$ ,  $\alpha_3(i)$ , as above.

If the solution of  $x$  has boundary layer properties at  $t=0$  and  $t=1$  we define

$$k_{n+i} = k_{n+1-i}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n, \quad h^{-1} = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n k_j,$$

$$t_0 = 0, \quad t_{i+1} = t_i + hk_{i+1}, \quad i=0, 1, \dots, 2n-1$$

$$I_h^1 = \{t_i : i=0, 1, \dots, n\}, \quad I_h^2 = \{t_i : i=n+1, n+2, \dots, 2n\},$$

$$-\alpha_1(n) = \alpha_2(n) = k_n, \quad \alpha_3(n) = k_n + k_{n-1}, \quad p_n = 0.$$

Now we use the scheme

$$(1) = (0) + \gamma_i \quad \text{for } t = 0, 1$$

$$h^{-2} (a_i, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{p_i}, b_i, c_i, d_i) = (1) \quad \text{for } t_i \in I_h^1 \setminus \{0\},$$

$$h^{-2} (d_{2n-i}, c_{2n-i}, \underbrace{b_{2n-i}, 0, \dots, 0}_{p_i}, a_{2n-i}) = (1) \quad \text{for } t_i \in I_h^2 \setminus \{1\},$$

with the coefficients  $a_i$ ,  $b_i$ ,  $c_i$ ,  $d_i$  as above.

CASE II. In this case all the assumptions are the same as in case I.

Scheme II. For  $t \in I_h \setminus \{0, 1\}$  as in case I, and

$$h^{-1}(-\hat{b}_o + hg_o, -\hat{a}_o, -\hat{c}_o) = (\underline{0}) + \gamma_o \quad \text{for } t = 0,$$

$$h^{-1}(\hat{c}_n, 0, \dots, 0, \hat{a}_n, \hat{b}_n + hg_1) = (\underline{0}) + \gamma_1 \quad \text{for } t = 1,$$

where  $\hat{a}_o, \hat{b}_o, \hat{c}_o$ , are given by (7) with

$$\alpha_1 = -\alpha_1(1) = k_1, \quad \alpha_2 = \alpha_2(1) - \alpha_1(1) = k_1 + k_2, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_n, \hat{b}_n, \hat{c}_n \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha_1 = -\alpha_2(n-1) = -k_n, \quad \alpha_2 = -\alpha_2(n-1) + \\ + \alpha_1(n-1) = -2k_n. \quad \text{So we have} \end{aligned}$$

$$(15) \quad \hat{a}_o = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{k_1 k_2}, \quad \hat{b}_o = -\frac{2k_1 + k_2}{k_1(k_1 + k_2)}, \quad \hat{c}_o = \frac{-k_1}{k_2(k_1 + k_2)}$$

$$(16) \quad \hat{a}_n = \frac{-2}{k_n}, \quad \hat{b}_n = \frac{3}{2k_n}, \quad \hat{c}_n = \frac{1}{2k_n}$$

### CASE III.

#### Scheme III

$R_o x = x(0)$ : for  $t=0$  as in I and for  $t \in I_h \setminus \{0\}$  as in II

$R_1 x = x(1)$ : for  $t=1$  as in I and for  $t \in I_h \setminus \{1\}$  as in II.

CASE IV. Let  $n > 3$ ,  $I_h = \{t_o = 0, t_j = t_{j-1} + k_j h \quad j=1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ .

Let  $k_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ , be satisfied (9) by  $p_{n-1} = 0$ . The other assumptions are as above.

Scheme IV. For  $t \in I_h \setminus \{0, t_{n-1}, t_{n-2}\}$  as in I,

$$h^{-1}(-\hat{b}_o g_o + \hat{b}_n g_1 + gh, -\hat{a}_o g_o, -\hat{c}_o g_o, 0, \dots, 0, \hat{c}_n g_1, \hat{a}_n g_1) = (\underline{0}) + \gamma_o \quad \text{for } t=0,$$

$$h^{-2}(d_{n-2}, 0, \dots, a_{n-2}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{F_{n-2}}, b_{n-2}, c_{n-2}) = (\underline{1}) \quad \text{for } t=t_{n-1} \text{ and } p_{n-2} < n-3,$$

$$h^{-2}(d_{n-2} + a_{n-2}, 0, \dots, 0, b_{n-2}, c_{n-2}) = (\underline{1}) \quad \text{for } t=t_{n-2} \text{ and} \\ p_{n-2} = n-3,$$

$$h^{-2}(c_{n-1}, 0, \dots, 0, a_{n-1}, b_{n-1}) = (1) \quad \text{for } t = t_{n-1} .$$

## 3. PROPERTIES OF THE SCHEMES I - IV

We begin with some properties of the coefficients of schemes I-IV.

From (6) and (13) it follows that

$$a_i < 0, \quad b_i > 0, \quad c_i \leq 0 ,$$

$$(17) \quad d \begin{cases} \leq 0 & \text{for } \alpha_1(i) + \alpha_2(i) \leq 0, \\ = 0 & \text{for } \alpha_1(i) + \alpha_2(i) > 0 , \end{cases}$$

and from (7)

$$(0 < \alpha_1(i) < \alpha_2(i)) \Rightarrow (\hat{a}_i > 0, \hat{b}_i < 0, \hat{c}_i < 0),$$

$$(18) \quad (\alpha_1(i) < 0, \alpha_1(i) + \alpha_2(i) \geq 0) \Rightarrow \hat{a}_i < 0, \hat{b}_i \geq 0, \hat{c}_i > 0 ,$$

$$(\alpha_1(i) < \alpha_2(i) < 0) \Rightarrow (\hat{a}_i > 0, \hat{b}_i > 0, \hat{c}_i < 0) .$$

In case  $\alpha_1(i) + \alpha_2(i) = 0$ , we have

$$(19) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{b}_i &= 0, \quad \hat{a}_i = -\hat{c}_i = -(2\alpha_2(i))^{-1} \\ d_i &= 0, \quad a_i = c_i = -0.5b_i = -\alpha_2(i)^{-2} , \end{aligned}$$

and for  $\alpha_1(i) + \alpha_3(i) = 0$

$$(20) \quad c_i = 0, \quad a_i = d_i = -0.5b_i = -\alpha_3(i)^{-2}$$

All our schemes are based on scheme I, and it serves as a basis for our study. The matrix  $A_h$  from scheme I is

$$A_h = h^{-2} \begin{bmatrix} h^2 & & & & \\ a_{10} & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 & \\ a_{21} & a_{20} & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ a_{n-2,n-3} & a_{n-2,n-4} \cdots a_{n-2,0} & b_{n-2} & c_{n-2} & d_{n-2} \\ a_{n-1,n-2} & a_{n-1,n-3} \cdots & a_{n-1,0} & b_{n-1} & c_{n-1} \\ & & & & h^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ,  $j=0, 1, 2, \dots, i-1$ ,

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} a_i & \text{for } j = p_i \\ 0 & \text{for } j \neq p_i \end{cases}$$

Only the coefficients  $A_h(i, i+2) = d_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-2$  can be positive. If we define

$$\tau_d^+ = \{i : a_1(i) + a_2(i) > 0, i=1, 2, \dots, n-2\}$$

we have

$$d_i > 0 \quad \text{if } i \in \tau_d^+.$$

Now from (17) it follows (with  $d_{n-1} = 0$ ) that

$$a_i < 0, c_i \begin{cases} < 0 & \text{if } d_i \geq 0, \\ \leq & \text{if } d_i > 0. \end{cases}$$

We are using notations from [1], [2] (see also [3]) and define  $A_{h,i}$ ,  $i=1, 2, 3, 4$ , as a matrix from scheme I, II, III or IV.

**THEOREM 1.** The matrix  $A_{h,i}$ ,  $i=1, 2, 3, 4$  is inverse monotone if  $\tau_d^+ \neq \emptyset$  and if for each  $i \in \tau_d^+$

$$(21) \quad a_1(i+1) \geq z_1$$

where  $z_1$  is smaller solution of the equation

$$z^2 + a_3(i+1)z + a_2(i+1)\Delta = 0$$

with

$$\Delta^{-1} = \frac{-1}{a_3(i+1) + a_2(i+1)} + \frac{a_3(i+1)a_3(i)(a_3^2(i) - a_1^2(i))}{4a_2(i)(a_2^2(i) - a_1^2(i))(a_3^2(i+1) - a_2^2(i+1))}$$

If  $\tau_d^+ = \emptyset$  then  $A_{h,1}$  is an M-matrix.

**P r o o f.** In case  $A_{h,1}$  the proof is given in [5]. Now we are going to prove that  $A := h^2 A_{h,2}$  is inverse monotone i.e. that  $A_{h,2}$  is inverse monotone. In other cases the proof is analogous. We are using the notations and theorems from [1] [2], [3]. Let  $A_d = \text{diag}(h^2, b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}, h^2)$ ,

$$\tilde{d}_i = \begin{cases} d_i & \text{for } i \in \tau_d^+ \\ 0 & \text{for } i \notin \tau_d^- \end{cases} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-2$$

$$A_o^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -\hat{c}_o h \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{d}_1 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{d}_2 & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & 0 & \tilde{d}_{n-2} & \\ & & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\ \hat{c}_{n,n-1} & \hat{c}_{n,n-2} & \dots & \hat{c}_{n,0} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\hat{a}_o h & & & & \\ 0.5a_1 & 0 & g_1 c_1 & d_1 - \tilde{d}_1 & & \\ a_{21} & a_{20} & 0 & 0.5c_2 & d_2 - \tilde{d}_2 & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \\ a_{n-2,n-3} & & a_{n-2,0} & 0 & 0.5c_{n-2} & d_{n-2} - \tilde{d}_{n-2} \\ qa_{n-1,n-2} & & qa_{n-1,1} & qa_{n-1,0} & 0 & 0.5c_{n-1} \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 & \hat{a}_n h & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where for some  $q \in (0, 0.5)$

$$g_1 = \begin{cases} 0.5 & \text{for } k_1 < k_2, \\ q & \text{for } k_1 = k_2 \end{cases} \quad , \quad a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0.5a_i & \text{for } j = p_i \\ 0 & \text{for } j \neq p_i \end{cases} \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n-1, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, i-1,$$

$$\hat{c}_{nj} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } j \neq p_{n-1} \\ \hat{c}_n h & \text{for } j = p_{n-1} \end{cases} \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

Let  $A^- = A - A_d - A_o^+$ ,  $C = A^- - B$ , then  $B \leq 0$  and  $C \leq 0$ . The ML-criterion yields that  $A$  is inverse monotone if

(i)  $A \leq ML$ , where

$$M = A_d + B, \quad L = E + A_d^{-1} C,$$

(ii)  $M$  is an  $M$ -matrix and  $L_0 \leq 0$ ,

(iii) there exists  $e > 0$  such that  $Ae \geq 0$  and  $M$  or  $L$  connects  $\tau^0(Ae)$  with  $\tau^+(Ae)$ .

The estimate  $A \leq ML$  holds if and only if

$$(22) \quad 4d_i b_{i+1} \leq c_i c_{i+1}, \quad \text{for } i \in \tau_d^+,$$

$$-\hat{c}_0 h b_1 \leq -(1-q_1) \hat{a}_0 h c_1,$$

$$\hat{c}_n h b_{n-1} \leq (1-q) a_{n-1} \hat{a}_n h$$

The estimate (22) is proved in [3], and the following two can be easily proved.

With  $\delta = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 1)$  we have

$$\tau^0(M\delta) = \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } g_0 = 0, g_1 > 0, \\ \emptyset & \text{if } g_0 > 0, g_1 > 0, \\ \{n\} & \text{if } g_0 > 0, g_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Since  $M_0 = B \leq 0$  and  $M$  connects  $\tau^0(M\delta)$  with  $\tau^+(M\delta) = \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \setminus \tau^0(M\delta)$  from the  $M$ -criterion it follows that  $M$  is an  $M$ -matrix. Now we see that (ii) is satisfied since  $L_0 = A_d^{-1} C \leq 0$ .

In case II we have  $g_0 \geq 0, g_1 > 0, g_0 + g_1 > 0$ , and

$$\tau^+(A\delta) = \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } g_0 > 0, g_1 = 0, \\ \{0, n\} & \text{if } g_0 > 0, g_1 > 0, \\ \{n\} & \text{if } g_0 = 0, g_1 > 0. \end{cases}$$

In first two cases the matrix  $M$  connects the set  $\tau^0(A\delta) = \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \setminus \tau^+(A\delta)$  with  $\tau^+(A\delta)$  so that for  $i_0 \in \tau^0(A\delta)$  we define

$$i_{j+1} = i_j - 1 - p_{ij}, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, r-1,$$

$$i_r = 0,$$

where  $i_0 = n \Rightarrow p_{i_0} = 0$ .

In the case that  $g_0 = 0$ ,  $g_1 > 0$  the matrix  $M$  connects  $\tau^0(A\delta) = \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$  with  $\tau^+(A\delta) = \{n\}$  so that for  $i_0 \in \tau^0(A\delta)$  we form

$$\begin{aligned} i_{j+1} &= i_j + 1, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, r-1 \\ i_r &= n. \end{aligned}$$

Now from the ML-criterion it follows that  $A$  is an inverse monotone matrix.

So, we have  $A_{h,i}^{-1} \geq 0$ ,  $i=1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $B_h = \text{diag}(0, 1, \dots, 1, 0)$  in each case I-IV. Before giving Theorem 2 we shall introduce some notations. Let

$$Q_1 = b_1 - c_1(1-z)(1+k_2/k_1)^2,$$

$$z \in (0, 0.5) \quad \text{if} \quad k_1 = k_2,$$

$$z = 0.5 \quad \text{if} \quad k_1 < k_2,$$

$$Q_i = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if} \quad i-1 \notin \tau_d^+ \\ \frac{c_i c_{i-1}}{4d_{i-1}} - b_i, & \text{if} \quad i-1 \in \tau_d^+ \end{cases} \quad i=2, 3, \dots, n-1,$$

$$S = b_{n-1}(1-2z).$$

**THEOREM 2.** If for  $i \in \tau^+(21)$  is satisfied then there exists the smallest positive eigenvalue  $\lambda_{h,j}$  for the eigenvalue problem  $A_{h,j}x = \lambda B_h x$ ,  $j=1, 2, 3, 4$ , and the matrices  $A_{h,j} - B_h D_h$ ,  $j=1, 2, 3, 4$  are inverse-monotone for any diagonal matrix  $D_h = \text{diag}(\mu_0, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$  whose diagonal elements are all in  $[-\bar{q}_1 h^{-2}, \lambda_{h,j}]$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . The following table shows a  $\bar{q}_i$  of this type where  $\bar{q} = \infty$  means that  $[-\bar{h}^{-2}\bar{q}, \lambda_{h,j}] = (-\infty, \lambda_{h,j})$ .

Scheme	I, III ( $R_0 x = x(0)$ )	II, III, ( $R_1 x = x(1)$ ), IV
$\bar{q}_1$	$\infty$	$Q_1$
$\bar{q}_i$ ( $i=2, 3, \dots, n-2$ )	$Q_i$	$Q_i$
$\bar{q}_{n-1}$	$Q_{n-1}$	$\min(S, Q_{n-1})$

The proof of this Theorem is based on the inverse monotonicity of matrices  $A_{h,j}$  and it is analogous to the proof of PO from [2].

REMARK. If we take in (11)  $p_i = 0$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,n-1$  and

$$k_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } j=1,2,\dots,p-1 \\ k & \text{for } j=p,\dots,n \end{cases} \quad 1 < p < n,$$

then we have

$$\bar{q}_i = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } i \neq p, \\ \frac{3}{2k^2(k^2-1)} & \text{if } i = p. \end{cases}$$

Now, we shall consider the nonlinear system (3) with the assumption:

$$(23) \quad q(v-w) \leq f(t,v) - f(t,w) \leq \mu(v-w), \quad v, w \in \mathbb{R}, \quad w \leq v$$

for some  $q, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , where

$$(24) \quad -h^{-2}q \leq \mu \leq \lambda_h$$

$\lambda_h$  is the smallest eigenvalue to  $A_h x = \lambda B_h x$ ,

$$\bar{q} = \min\{\bar{q}_i : i=1,2,\dots,n-1\}.$$

Finally, we shall let  $h > 0$  be so small that

$$(25) \quad -h^{-2}\bar{q} < \rho_h := 0.5(\lambda_h + q).$$

Let the mapping  $T_h = A_h - B_h F_h$  be defined by the schemes of cases I-IV.

THEOREM 3. Let for  $i \in \tau_d^+$  (21) be satisfied and let (23), (24), (25) be satisfied. Then  $T_h^{-1}$  is  $(A_h - \mu B_h)^{-1}$  bounded and for any diagonal matrix  $D_h = \text{diag}(d_0, d_1, \dots, d_n)$  with  $d_i \in [-h^{-2}\bar{q}_i, \rho_h]$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,n-1$ , the parallel chord method

$$x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^{I_h}, \quad (A_h - B_h D_h)x^{k+1} = B_h(F_h - D_h)x^k + r_h; \quad k \in \mathbb{N}$$

converges for any initial approximation to the only solution of the system  $Tx = r_h$ .

We have, using the second order approximation of  $-x''$ : if  $1 \leq k_i < k_{i+1} \leq k_0$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,n-1$ , for some fixed  $k_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $h \rightarrow 0$  if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Now we shall prove that we have the implication

$$(26) \quad x \in C^4(I) \Rightarrow \|x_h - x^h\|_\infty = O(h^2),$$

where  $x$  is the solution of the continuous problem (1), the vector  $x_h \in \mathbb{R}^{I_h}$  stands for the restriction of  $x$  to the mesh  $I_h$ , and  $x^h$  is the solution of (3) in each case I-IV.

**THEOREM 4.** Let the assumptions of Theorem 3 be satisfied, then (26) is true for each case I-V.

**P r o o f.** Let  $\bar{\lambda}$  be the smallest positive eigenvalue of the eigenvalue problem

$$-x'' = \lambda x \text{ on } I, \quad R_i x = 0, \quad i=0,1.$$

The discrete eigenvalues  $\lambda_h$  tend to  $\bar{\lambda}$  as  $h \rightarrow 0$  (i.e. as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). So from (24) it follows that  $\mu < \bar{\lambda}$ , for  $h$  sufficiently small.

Using the technique from [2] we obtain that  $\|(A_h - \mu B_h)^{-1}\|_\infty$  is uniformly bounded, i.e. there exists  $\sigma > 0$  independent of  $h$  such that  $\|(A_h - \mu B_h)^{-1}\|_\infty \leq \sigma$  for  $h$  sufficiently small. Hence we have

$$\|x - y\|_\infty \leq \sigma \|T_h x - T_h y\|_\infty \quad \text{for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}^{I_h}$$

if  $h$  is small enough.

Now with  $x = x_h$ ,  $y = x^h$  we have

$$|x_h - x^h| \leq (A_h - \mu B_h)^{-1} |T_h x_h - r_h|,$$

i.e.

$$\|x_h - x^h\|_\infty \leq \text{const.} h^2.$$

## REFERENCES

- [1] Bohl,E.: *Finite Modelle gewöhnlicher Randwertaufgaben*, B.G.Teubner, Stuttgart, 1981.
- [2] Bohl,E., J.Lorenz: *Inverse monotonicity and difference schemes of higher order. A summary for two-point boundary value problems*, *Aequ. Math.* 19, 1-36, 1979.
- [3] Cvetković,Lj. D.Herceg: *On a numerical solution to a boundary value problem using an optimal numerical differentiation*, *Zbornik radova Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta, Ser. Mat.* 12(1982), 177-189.
- [4] Herceg,D.: *Diferencni postupci sa neekvidistantnim mrežama*, doktorska disertacija, Novi Sad, 1980.
- [5] Herceg,D: *Nichtäquidistante Diskretisierung der Grenzschichtdifferentialgleichungen und einige Eigenschaften von diskreten Analoga*, *Zbornik radova Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta u Novom Sadu*, knjiga 9(1979), 199-219.
- [6] Herceg,D.: *Ein Differenzenverfahren zur Lösung von Randwertaufgaben*, *Zbornik radova Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta u Novom Sadu*, 9(1979), 221-232.
- [7] Herceg,D.: *O jednoj diferencenoj šemi za singularni perturbacioni problem*, *Zbornik radova Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta u Novom Sadu*, 10(1981), 93-101.
- [8] Lorenz,J.: *Die Inversmonotonie von Matrizen und ihre Anwendung beim Stabilitätsnachweis von Differenzverfahren*, Dissertation, Münster, 1975.
- [9] Lorenz,J.: *Zur Inversmonotonie diskreter Problem*. *Numer. Math.* 27, 227-238, 1977.

Received by the editors June 27, 1983.

## REZIME

## NEKE DIFERENCNE ŠEME ZA KONTURNE PROBLEME

U radu se daju 4 diferencne šeme na neekvidistantnoj mreži (2) za numeričko rešavanje problema (1). U ekvidistantnom slučaju one se svode na dobro poznate šeme, videti na primer [2]. Za matrice  $A_h$  diskretnih analogona (3) formiranih pomoću ovih šema dokazano je da su inverzno monotone. Na osnovu toga kao i u [2] za ekvidistantan slučaj, dati su uslovi pod ko-

jima postupak paralelne sečice (teorema 3) za rešavanje diskretnog analogona konvergira i numeričko rešenje teži kontinualnom kada broj tačaka mreže teži beskonačnosti.

U radu su korišćene oznake i teoreme iz [2], koje se mogu naći i u [3] iz ove knjige Zbornika.