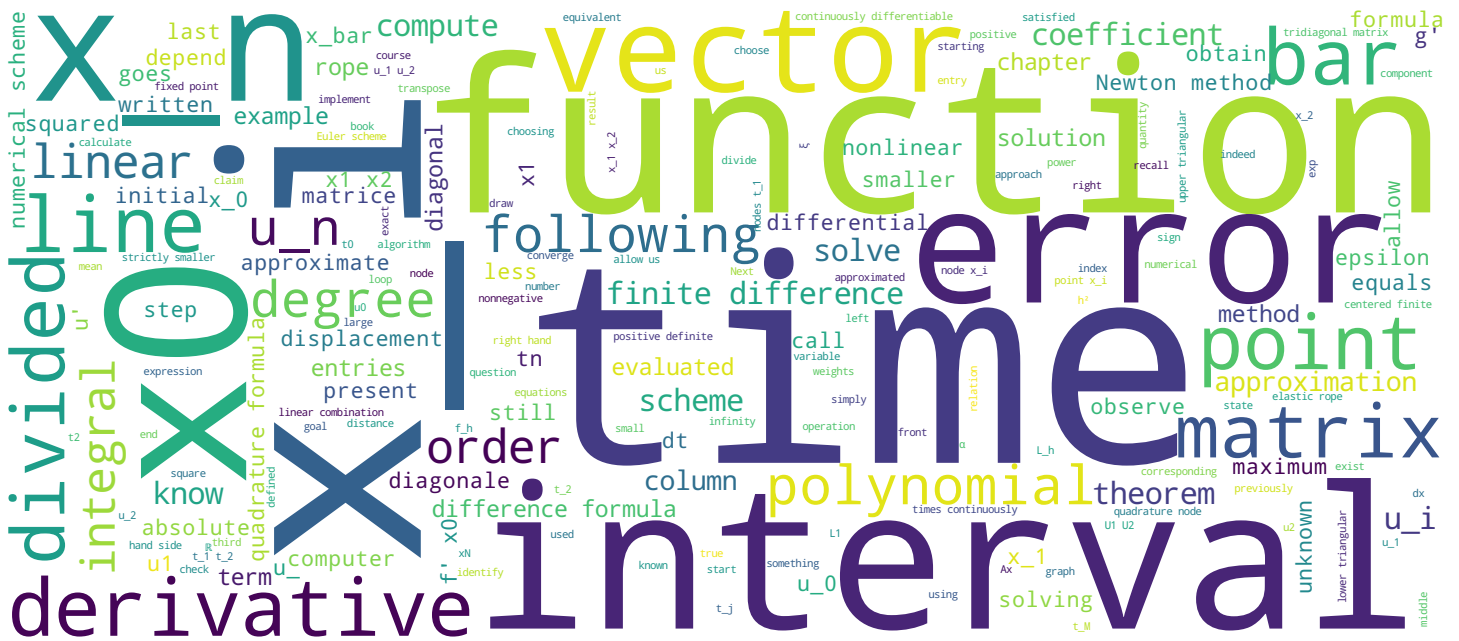
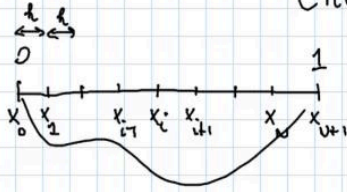


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Introduction à l'analyse numérique

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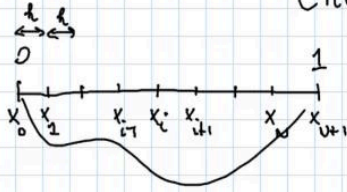
I will now present a finite difference method which allow us to compute an approximation of the solution  $u$  of our toy problem, the elastic rope problem. Firstly, I will subdivide the interval  $[0,1]$  which models the rope into sub-intervals. So I cut the rope into 2, then 4, then 8. I can write  $x_1$  the first point and  $x_N$  the last point inside the rope. Here  $N$  is a positive integer which should be large, and I write  $h = 1$  over  $N$  plus 1 the step size, which should be small if  $N$  is large.  $N$  will approach infinity, and  $h$  will approach 0. Therefore, in the middle I have a point  $x_i$ , to its left  $x_i$  minus  $h$ , that is  $x_{i-1}$  and to its right  $x_i$  plus  $h$ , that is  $x_{i+1}$ .  $x_0$  coincides with 0 and  $x_{N+1}$  with 1, hence I have  $x_i$  equal to  $h$  times  $i$  for  $i$  starting at 0 up to  $N+1$ . The goal of the method is the following: the goal of the numerical method is to present a scheme which will allow us to compute values  $u_i$ , approximations of  $u$  at point  $x_i$ , which I do not know. I recall that  $u(x)$  is the displacement of the elastic rope I don't know  $u(x)$ , I will approximate  $u(x_i)$  by  $u_i$ , for all  $i$  from 1 up to  $N$ . Here I can draw a picture, when the  $x_i$  are equidistant separated by  $h$ , the distance between two consecutive points.

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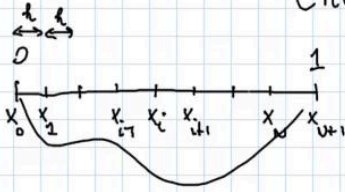
I now want to present the numerical scheme. The differential equation is the following: minus the second derivative of  $u$  with respect to  $x$  equal to  $f(x)$ : here I write it down:  $-u''(x) = f(x)$ . Which is satisfied for all  $x$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$ . I can write it at points  $x_i$   $-u''(x_i) = f(x_i)$  and this is true for all interior nodes with  $i$  from 1 up to  $N$ . I use a centered finite difference formula to approximate the second derivative. We saw it in chapter 2. The second derivative in node  $x_i$  can be approximated by minus 2 times the value in  $x_i$  of  $u$ , with  $u$  evaluated in  $x_i$  minus  $h$ , but  $x_i$  minus  $h$  is  $x_{i-1}$ ; and the value if  $u$  in  $x_i$  plus  $h$  that is  $x_{i+1}$ . All this divided by  $h$  squared. There is a minus sign in front of the second derivative and this term is equal to  $f$  evaluated in  $x_i$ . Of course, as I approximated the second derivative with this finite difference formula I have a remainder which is a term of order  $h^2$ , this remainder term will be divided by 4 each time  $h$  is divided by 2, assuming that  $u$  is 4 times continuously differentiable. We know that this  $O(h^2)$  term involves the fourth derivatives of  $u$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$ . This was discussed in chapter 2.

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Now I can write a scheme: A numerical scheme is something I will be able to implement on a computer, which will allow me to compute the approximations  $u_i$ . So to obtain this scheme, I replace  $u$  at node  $x_i$ , which is unknown, by its approximation  $u_i$ , which will be computed thanks to a computer. The same thing for  $u$  evaluated in  $x_{i-1}$  by  $u_{i-1}$  and  $u$  in  $x_{i+1}$  by  $u_{i+1}$ . Therefore I have the following scheme: I have two times  $u_i$ , on the left minus  $u_{i-1}$  and  $u_{i+1}$  on the right, all this divided by the square of  $h$ , this must be equal to  $f$  evaluated in  $x_i$ , and I discard the  $O(h^2)$  term, since it don't know how to implement it. these relations must be satisfied for all  $i$  from 1 to  $N$ , for  $i=1$  to  $N$ . Et vous voyez ici dans cette expression When choosing the index  $i = 1$  I have  $u_1$ , here  $u_2$  and here  $u_0$ , so what is  $u_0$  worth?  $u_0$  is the displacement of the rope in  $x_0$ , which is zero. Hence I write that  $u_0 = 0$ . The same on the right end, the displacement of the rope in  $x_{N+1}$  is zero which allows me to write  $u_{N+1} = 0$ . Now I have my numerical scheme which allows me to approximate  $u$  in  $x_i$  with  $u_i$ , for all  $i$  from 1 to  $N$ . This scheme is equivalent to solving a linear system.

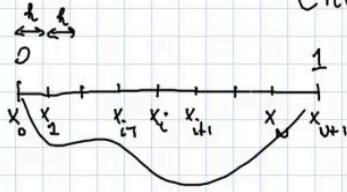
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This system can be written the following way: a matrix which I call A and the vector of unknowns named u. So the vector of unknowns is simply  $u_1, u_2$ , up to  $u_N$ . Donc ici  $U_1 U_2 \dots$  jusqu'à  $U_N$  and on the right hand side, the vector, which is known, contains the forces applied in  $x_1, x_2$  up to  $x_N$ . I call this vector f. I state that this scheme corresponds to solving a linear system. So, I still need to define what this matrix A contains. You see here that on each line, there is  $1/h^2$ , so this can be a factor in front, I look at the first line for the index  $i=1$ :  $u_0 = 0$ , I have  $2u_1 - u_2$  divided by  $h^2$ , which equals  $f(x_1)$ , so, the first line is 2 and -1. The second line is  $(-u_1 + 2u_2 - u_3)/h^2 = f(x_2)$ . Therefore on the second line I will write -1, 2 and -1, and so on up to the line one before last: -1, 2 and -1 again and then -1 and 2 on the last line. I obtain a tridiagonal matrix, on the diagonal we have 2s, and on the off diagonals we have -1s. et sur la sur-diagonale vous avez aussi un -1 So now I can compute approximations of  $u_1, u_2$  up to  $u_N$  of u at the nodes  $x_1, x_2$ , up to  $x_N$ , provided I solve this linear system.

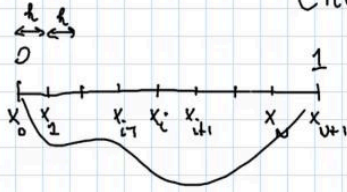
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et je prétends que la matrice  $A$  cette matrice qui contient 1 sur  $h^2$  2 sur la diagonale et - 1 sur la sur et la sous-diagonales The matrix  $A$  is tridiagonal, symmetric and positive definite, so I can use a cholesky factorization  $A = L$  times the transpose of  $L$  to solve this system  $A u = f$ .

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