A GAUSS Implementation of Non Uniform Grids for PDE The **PDE** library

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Installation

- 1. The file *libpde.zip* is a zipped archive file. Copy this file under the root directory of GAUSS, for example C:\GAUSS.
- 2. Unzip it with archive mode. It is automatically recognized by WinZip. With Unzip or PKunzip, use the -d flag

pkunzip -d libpde.zip

Directories will then be created and files will be copied over them:

$target_path$	readme.pde
$target_path ar{dlib}$	<i>pde.dll</i> file
$target_path examples pde$	examples and tutorial files
$target_path ar{lib}$	library file
$target_path \ src \ pde$	source code files

3. Run GAUSS. Log on to the $src \ pde$ directory¹ and add the path to the library file pde.lcg in the following way:

lib pde /addpath

1.2 Getting started

Gauss 3.2 for OS/2, Windows NT/95 or $Unix^2$ is required to use the **PDE** routines.

1.2.1 The file readme.PDE

The file *readme.PDE* contains last minute information on the **PDE** procedures. Please read it before using them.

1.2.2 Setup

In order to use these procedures, the **PDE** library must be active. This is done by including **PDE** in the **LIBRARY** statement at the top of your program:

library PDE;

¹You may use the commands ChangeDir or chdir. Note that you can verify that you are in the $src\pde$ directory with the cdir(0) command.

 $^{^2\}mathrm{see}$ however the paragraph 2.5.3 for using the library with Unix.

To reset global variables in subsequent executions of the program, the following instruction should be used:

PDEset;

If you plan to make any right-hand reference to the global variables, you will also need the statement:

#include target_path\src\pde.ext;

The **PDE** library uses a dynamic link library pde.dll. This dll file contains a tridiagonal solver written in C in order to speed up computations. You have to declare this dll with the following command:

dlibrary PDE.dll;

Nevertheless, if you use the PDEset command at the top of your program, it is done automatically. Moreover, if you don't want to use this dll file, you can use the following compiler directive:

#declare not_DLLs;

_PDE_ver

The **PDE** version number is stored as a global variable:

 3×1 matrix where the first element indicates the major version number, the second element the minor version number, and the third element the revision number

1.3 What is **PDE**?

PDE is a GAUSS library for solving Parabolic and Elliptic Partial Differential Equations (PDE) with non uniform grids. It includes θ -schemes algorithms with finite difference methods.

PDE contains the procedures whose list is given below. See the command reference part for a full description.

- derivePDE: Computes the numerical first and second derivative of the solution of a PDE problem.
- FindIndex: Returns the indices of the elements of a vector x equal to the elements of a vector v.
- generateGrid1: Generates a uniform grid.
- generateGrid2: Generates a non uniform grid with the inverse distribution method.
- generateGrid3: Geneates a non uniform grid with the Tavella-Randall method.
- loadGrid: Loads the dataset xFile.
- **PDE**: Initializes the PDE problem.
- **PDEset**: Resets the global variables declared in *pde.dec*.
- plotGrid: Plots the (temporal) non uniform grid.
- readPDE: Extracts solution of the database uFile computed by solvePDE.
- readPDE2: Extracts solution of the database uFile computed by solvePDE2.
- saveGrid: Saves the dataset xFile.
- solvePDE: Solves the PDE problem with non uniform grids.
- solvePDE2: Solves the PDE problem with temporal non uniform grids.
- solveTDG: Solves a tridiagonal system.

1.4 Using Online Help

PDE library supports Windows Online Help. Before using the browser, you have to verify that the **PDE** library is activated by the **library** command.

Chapter 2

Partial Differential Equations

The library **PDE** is a GAUSS implementation of the use of non uniform grids for solving PDE in finance described in BODEAU, RIBOULET and RONCALLI [2000]. The reader may refer to this article to understand the notations used in this manual.

2.1 The PDE problem

The PDE problem consists of the linear parabolic equation

$$\frac{\partial u(t,x)}{\partial t} + c(t,x)u(t,x) = \mathcal{A}_t u(t,x) + d(t,x)$$
(2.1)

where \mathcal{A}_t is the general two-space dimensions differential operator

$$\mathcal{A}_{t}u(t,x) = a(t,x)\frac{\partial^{2} u(t,x)}{\partial x^{2}} + b(t,x)\frac{\partial u(t,x)}{\partial x}$$
(2.2)

The **PDE** library solves the problem (2.1) in the region of the (t, x) space given by $\mathfrak{T} \times \mathfrak{X}$ with

$$\mathfrak{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x^-, x^+ \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.3}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{T} = \begin{bmatrix} t^-, t^+ \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.4}$$

We could impose Dirichlet or Neumann conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(t^{-}, x) &= u_{(t^{-})}(x) \\ u(t, x^{-}) &= u_{(x^{-})}(t) \quad \bigvee \quad \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=x^{-}} = u'_{(x^{-})}(t) \\ u(t, x^{+}) &= u_{(x^{+})}(t) \quad \bigvee \quad \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=x^{+}} = u'_{(x^{+})}(t) \end{aligned}$$
(2.5)

To initialize the PDE problem, we use the PDE procedure

call PDE(&aProc,&bProc,&cProc,&dProc,&eProc,&tminBound,

&xminBound,&xmaxBound,&yminBound,&ymaxBound);

The general form of the procedures is

proc (1) = aProc(t,x); local a;

a =

retp(a); endp;

endp;

Remark 1 e is a special function in order to solve variational inequalities. If it is not initialized to 0, the PDE algorithm use this function at each iteration m to modify the numerical solution

 $\mathbf{u}_m := e\left(t, x, \mathbf{u}_m\right)$

The form of the eProc procedure is also

```
proc (1) = eProc(t,x,u);
    local e;
    e =
    retp(e);
endp;
```

Remark 2 In the **PDE** library, x is treated as a $N \times 1$ column vector and the procedures **Proc* must return a $N \times 1$ vector.

For each bound, you have to specify a boundary condition, either a Dirichlet or a Neumann condition. For example, if we have the following command line

Dirichlet conditions are imposed for $x = x^+$ and we put a user-defined Neumann condition on $x = x^-$.

Remark 3 The PDE procedure prints information about the boundary nature of the PDE problem if __output is set to 1.

For the precedent example, we have

Bound	Dirichlet	Neumann
xmin		*****
xmax	******	

2.2 The PDE algorithm

2.2.1 The case of non-uniform grids

The procedure solvePDE enables you to solve the PDE problem. Its syntax is

call solvePDE(t,x,uFile,theta);

The variables t and x correspond to the non uniform grid used for solving the PDE. They are respectively $M \times 1$ and $N \times 1$ vectors. The numerical solution of the PDE problem u_i^m is stored in the dataset uFile in the following way:

$\begin{array}{c} t_0 = t^- \\ t_1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} x_{0} = x^{-} \\ u_{0}^{0} \\ u_{0}^{1} \end{array}$	$x_1 \ u_1^0 \ u_1^1$	$x_2 \\ u_2^0 \\ u_2^1 \\ u_2^1$	 	$x_{N-2} \\ u_{N-2}^0 \\ u_{N-2}^1 \\ u_{N-2}^1$	
$\vdots \\ t_{M-1} = t^+$	u_0^{M-1}	u_1^{M-1}	u_2^{M-1}	: 	u_{N-2}^{M-1}	u_{N-1}^{M-1}

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with

$$t_m = t^- + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} k_j$$
$$x_i = x^- + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} h_j$$

We have

and

 $h_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$

 $k_m = t_m - t_{m-1}$

The first row of the dataset contains the N values $\{x_i\}$. The t_m and u_i^m values are stored in the next N rows. Let \mathbf{u}^m be the vector with the (i) entry (u_i^m) . Then, the storage method corresponds to the following stacking method

$$\begin{bmatrix} t_m & \operatorname{vec}\left(\mathbf{u}^m\right)^\top \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark 4 You could use the _PDE_Elliptic variable to specify that the PDE problem is an elliptic problem. In this case, solvePDE stops iterations if the following condition is verified

$$\mathbf{u}_{m+1} = \mathbf{u}_m$$

Note that solvePDE uses the fuzzy comparison function feq to perform the test. You could also modify the value taken by _fcmptol.

Remark 5 If you would to save only the last iteration solution, you could use the following syntax

$_PDE_SaveLastIter = 1$

In this case, the uFile dataset becomes

Remark 6 You could print the number of iterations accomplished with the variable _PDE_PrintIters.

Remark 7 The solvePDE procedure uses the approximation method for the second derivatives described in BODEAU, RIBOULET and RONCALLI [2000]. We have

$$h_{i}^{+} = \frac{2}{h_{i+1}(h_{i+1} + h_{i})}$$

$$h_{i}^{-} = \frac{2}{h_{i}(h_{i+1} + h_{i})}$$
(2.6)

If you want the approximation method described in the footnote

$$h_{i}^{+} = 4 \frac{h_{i}}{\left(h_{i+1}^{2} + h_{i}^{2}\right)\left(h_{i+1} + h_{i}\right)}$$

$$h_{i}^{-} = 4 \frac{h_{i+1}}{\left(h_{i+1}^{2} + h_{i}^{2}\right)\left(h_{i+1} + h_{i}\right)}$$
(2.7)

you can specify _PDE_approx = 2.

2.2.2 The case of temporal non-uniform grids

In this case, you must use the solvePDE2 procedure:

The variable xFile is a dataset which contains the values of the nodes t_m and $x_i^{(m)}$. The storage is the following:

The symbol \cdot indicates a missing values. Let $N = \max N^{(m)}$ denotes the maximum number of the discretization points. Because $N^{(m)}$ may change with m, we adopt this stacking method

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc}t_m & \operatorname{vec}\left(\left[\begin{array}{c}\mathbf{x}^{(m)}\\\mathbf{e}^{(m)}\end{array}\right]\right)^{\top}\end{array}\right]$$

with $\mathbf{e}^{(m)}$ a vector of missing values of dimension $N - N^{(m)}$. The dimension of the database is then $M \times (N+1)$. The dataset uFile is built in the same way. We have

	•								
$t_0 = t^{-}$	u_0^0	u_1^0	u_2^0		$u^{0}_{N(0)}$	$u^{0}_{N(0)}$			
t_1	u_0^1	u_1^1	u_2^1		$u_{N^{(1)}-2}^{1}$	$u_{N^{(1)}-1}^{1}$	•	•	
:				:					
$t_{1}, t_{2}, t_{2} = t^{+}$	M-1	M-1	M-1	•	M-1	M-1			
$\iota_{M-1} = \iota$	u_0	u_1	u_2		$u_{N(M)-2}$	$u_{N(M)-1}$	•	•	

Note that the values of x are not stored, and the first row contains only missing values.

2.3 Solution extracting

You could of course use the GAUSS commands to extract solution from the dataset uFile. The readPDE and readPDE2 procedures are provided to make it easier. Their syntax are

and

The variable cn could take differents values. If cn is the string ''t'', then data corresponds to the column vector $\{t_m\}$. We obtain the column vector $\{x_i\}$ by setting cn to ''x''. We could also extract specific solutions u_i^m by using a 2×1 vector. We have

cn	data
''t'' tm	$N \times 1$ vector with the (i) entry (u_i^m)
''x'' xi	$M \times 1$ vector with the (m) entry (u_i^m)

For the **readPDE2** procedure, **t** can be a scalar (a specific value of t_m) or a vector (different values of t_m). If the dimension of **t** is $E \times 1$, the dimension of **x** and **u** is $N \times E$.

2.4 Using non-uniform grids

There exist different procedures for the management of non-uniform grids. For example, to generate the vector $\{x_i\}$, we can use the generateGrid* procedures. Uniform grids are obtained with the generateGrid1 procedure:

x = generateGrid1(xmin,xmax,N);

generateGrid2 can be used to obtain a non uniform grid with the second method of BODEAU, RIBOULET and RONCALLI [2000]:

x = generateGrid2(xmin,xmax,N,&invcdf);

invcdf is a procedure wich compute the quantile of the distribution $\mathbf{F}(x)$. The last method which is called the Tavella-Randall method corresponds to the generateGrid3 method:

```
x = generateGrid3(xmin,xmax,N,xstar,alpha);
```

with xstar and alpha the value of the parameters x^* and α .

We can use the previous procedures directly to define the variable x for the procedure solvePDE. For solvePDE2, we have to build the dataset xFile. We can do that with the commands of GAUSS, but we have included a procedure saveGrid to make it easier. Its syntax is

call saveGrid(cn,&gridProc,xFile);

If cn is a scalar, cn corresponds to the number M of discretization points in t. In this case, the procedure gridProc takes the following form:

```
proc (2) = gridProc(m);
local t,x;
t = ...; /* the value of $t_m$ */
x = ...; /* the vector of the values $x_i^{(m)}$ */
retp(t,x);
endp;
```

If cn is a vector, cn corresponds to the vector $\{t_m\}$. In this case, the form of the procedure gridProc is

```
proc (1) = gridProc(tm,m);
local x;
x = ...; /* the vector of the values $x_i^{(m)}$ */
retp(x);
endp;
```

The procedure gridProc is called M times to build the dataset xFile. Note that saveGrid can be used with the generateGrid* procedures. Here is an example:

```
proc (1) = gridProc(t,m);
local x;
local xstar;
xstar = 0.5*(xmin+xmax);
if t < 0.2;
x = generateGrid1(xmin,xmax,N);
elseif t < 0.5;
x = generateGrid1(xmin,xmax,2*N);
elseif t < 1;</pre>
```

```
x = generateGrid3(xmin,xmax,N,xstar,20);
else;
x = generateGrid3(xmin,xmax,N,xstar,20/t);
endif;
retp(x);
```

endp;

Note also that we can load the dataset xFile with the loadGrid procedure:

{t,x} = loadGrid(xFile);

To plot a grid, we employ the command plotGrid:

{psym,pline} = plotGrid(t,x,symbol,line,rotate);

symbol indicates the type of symbol to mark the nodes. If it is equal to 0, the nodes are not represented. line take the value one if we want to connect the nodes. rotate can be used to perform different rotation of the graphic. To adjust the size and color of the symbols, we can modify the two global variables _pde_symsiz and _pde_symclr.

2.5 Other procedures

2.5.1 The derivePDE procedure

We could employ the procedure derivePDE to compute the numerical first and second derivatives of the solution of a PDE problem

 $\{d1,d2\} = derivePDE(x,u);$

2.5.2 The FindIndex procedure

FindIndex returns the indices of the elements of a vector x equal to the elements of a vector v. To understand how the procedure works, let's try an example:

The indexcat procedure does not find the index of an element of x equal to 0 due to numerical truncation. In this case, you may use the FindIndex procedure.

2.5.3 The solveTDG procedure

solveTDG solves the tridiagonal system

 $[a;b;c]\,x=d$

Its syntax is

x = solveTDG(a,b,c,d);

It is used by the procedures **solvePDE** and **solvePDE2** to solve the tridiagonal system. **solveTDG** requires on the dll file *pde.dll*, written in C. If you don't want to use it, you have to specify **#declare not_DLLs**; It can be useful for Unix system. Nevertheless, we have included the C code in the *dlib* directory for Unix users. The .so library can then be created easily by changing the entry point.

Chapter 3

Command Reference

The following global variables and procedures are defined in **PDE**. They are the *reserved words* of **PDE**.

derivePDE, FindIndex, generateGrid1, generateGrid2, generateGrid3, loadGrid, _pde_built, _pde_approx, _pde_aproc, _pde_bproc, _pde_computex, _pde_cproc, _pde_derivcond, _pde_dproc, _pde_dxmaxbound, _pde_dxminbound, _pde_Elliptic, _pde_eproc, _pde_eq, _pde_invsinh, _pde_ne, _pde_neumann, _pde_PrintIters, _pde_SaveLastIter, _pde_solvethesystem, _pde_spline, _pde_symclr, _pde_symsiz, _pde_tminbound, _pde_computeustar, _pde_writer, _pde_xmaxbound, _pde_xminbound, PDEset, plotGrid, readPDE, readPDE2, saveGrid, solvePDE, solvePDE2, solveTDG

The default global control variables are

_PDE_Elliptic	0
_PDE_approx	1
_PDE_PrintIters	0
PDE_SaveLastIter	0
_PDE_Built	0
_PDE_symclr	15
_PDE_symsiz	0

derivePDE

Purpose

Computes the numerical first and second derivatives of the solution of a PDE problem.

Format {d1,d2} = derivePDE(x,u);
Input x N×E matrix, values of x_i^(m) u N×E matrix, values of u_i^m
Output d1 N×E matrix, numerical first derivative d2 N×E matrix, numerical second derivative

Remark

The second derivative is computed according to formula (2.6).

Source

FindIndex

Purpose

Returns the indices of the elements of a vector x equal to the elements of a vector v.

Format y = FindIndex(x,v);	
Input	
Х	$N \times 1$ vector
V	$L \times 1$ vector
Output	
У	$L\times 1$ vector, <code>y[i]</code> contains the indice of the first element of x which is equal to <code>v[i]</code>
Globals	scalar (default = $1e-15$)
1	the procedure FindIndex uses _fcmptol to fuzz the comparison operations to
	allow for round off error
Remarks	
The procedure Find	Index is similar to the GAUSS indexcat command. The main difference is

The procedure FindIndex is similar to the GAUSS indexcat command. The main difference is that FindIndex returns only one index (or a missing value) for each value v_i . Note that the global variable _fcmptol is used to check the equality $x_{y_i} = v_i$.

Source

generateGrid1

Purpose	
Generates a	uniform grid.

■ Format

x = generateGrid1(xmin,xmax,N);

xmin	scalar, value of x^-
xmax	scalar, value of x^+
Ν	scalar, number of discretization points

• Output

 $N \times 1$ vector, values of the grid x_i

Globals

Source *src/pde.src*

generateGrid2

Purpose

Generates a non uniform grid with the inverse distribution method.

■ Format

x = generateGrid2(xmin,xmax,N,&invcdf);

■ Input xmin xmax N &invcdf	scalar, value of x^- scalar, value of x^+ scalar, number of discretization points pointer to a procedure which computes the inverse of the distribution $\mathbf{F}(x)$
 Output x Globals 	$N\times 1$ vector, values of the grid x_i
■ Source src/pde.src	

generateGrid3

Purpose

Generates a non uniform grid with the Tavella-Rendall method.

■ Format

x = generateGrid3(xmin,xmax,N,xstar,alpha);

Input	
xmin	scalar, value of x^-
xmax	scalar, value of x^+
Ν	scalar, number of discretization points
xstar	scalar, value of the parameter x^{\star}
alpha	scalar, value of the parameter α
• Output	$N\times 1$ vector, values of the grid x_i
■ Globals	
Source	

loadGrid



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PDE

Purpose

Initializes the PDE problem.

■ Format

call PDE(aProc,bProc,cProc,dProc,eProc,tminBound, xminBound,xmaxBound,DxminBound,DxmaxBound);

scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $a(t, x)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $b(t, x)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $c(t, x)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $d(t, x)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $e(t, x)$
– or –
scalar 0
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $u_{(t^{-})}(x)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $u_{(x^{-})}(t)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $u_{(x^+)}(t)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $u'_{(x^{-})}(t)$
scalar, pointer to a procedure which computes $u_{(x^+)}^{(m)}$

Output



scalar 1 – print information about the PDE problem 0 – no printing

■ Source *src/pde.src*

PDEset

Purpose

Resets the global control variables declared in *PDE.DEC*.

■ Format

PDEset;

Remarks

The default global control variables are

_PDE_Elliptic	0
_PDE_approx	1
_PDE_PrintIters	0
_PDE_SaveLastIter	0
_PDE_Built	0
_PDE_symclr	15
_PDE_symsiz	0



plotGrid

Purpose Plots the grid.				
$\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Format} \\ \{\mathrm{psym}, \mathrm{pline}\} = \mathrm{plot}\mathrm{Gr} \end{array}$	id(t,x,symbol,line,rot	ate);	
Input t x symbol line rotate	$M \times 1$ vector, value $N \times M$ matrix, value scalar, type of symbol scalar, 1 to connect scalar, controls the r	s of ies o ol the rota	t_m of $x_i^{(r)}$ node	n) es
Output psym pline Globals _pde_symclr	matrix of the symbol matrix of the lines scalar, color of the s	ols	bol	
_pde_symsiz Remarks To draw the grid, we set	scalar, size of the sy et	mb [.]	ol =	psvm:
	_psy. _plin	e	=	psym, pline;
Source src/pde.src				

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readPDE

Purpose Extracts solution of the database uFile computed by solvePDE.	
e,cn);	
string, name of the solution dataset file scalar or vector 2×1	
$M \times 1$ vector, values t_m if cn is the string "t" $N \times 1$ vector, values x_i if cn is the string "x"	
- or - $M \times 1$ vector, values $u(t, x_i)$ if cn is equal to "x" xi	
$N\times 1$ vector, values $u\left(t_{m},x\right)$ if cn is equal to "t" tm	

readPDE2

Purpose

Extracts solution of the database uFile computed by solvePDE2.

■ Format

 ${x,u} = readPDE2(xFile,uFile,t);$

Input

xFile	string, name of the grid dataset file
uFile	string, name of the solution dataset file
t	vector $E \times 1$, values of t_m

Output

x	$N \times E$, values of $x_i^{(m)}$
u	$N \times E$, values of $u\left(t_m, x_i^{(m)}\right)$

Source

saveGrid

Purpose Saves the dataset xFile. Format call saveGrid(cn,&gridProc,xFile); Input cn scalar or vector &gridProc pointer to a procedure which compute t_m and x_i^(m) xFile string, name of the grid dataset file Output Globals Source

solvePDE

■ Purpose Solves the PDE problem with non uniform grids.		
■ Format call solvePDE(t,x,uFile,theta);		
 Input t x uFile theta Output 	vector $M \times 1$, values of t_m vector $N \times 1$, values of x_i string, name of the solution dataset file scalar, value of the parameter θ of the θ -scheme	
■ Globals _PDE_approx	scalar, the approximation method of the second derivative 1 for the first method 2 for the second method	
_PDE_Elliptic	scalar (default = 0) 0 if the PDE problem is not an elliptic problem 1 if the PDE problem is an elliptic problem	
_PDE_PrintIters	scalar (default = 0) 0 - does not print iterations I - printing after each I iterations	
_PDE_SaveLastIter	scalar (default = 0) 0 for saving the solution for all the iterations m 1 for saving only the last solution for $t_m = t^+$	
output	scalar (default = 0) 1 – print informations about the algorithm and the mesh ratios 0 – no printing	

Remarks

To extract the solution, you may use the **readPDE** procedure.

■ Source

solvePDE2

■ Purpose Solves the PDE problem with temporal non uniform grids.		
■ Format call solvePDE2(xFile,uFile,theta);		
■ Input xFile uFile theta	string, name of the grid dataset file string, name of the solution dataset file scalar, value of the parameter θ of the θ -scheme	
■ Output		
■ Globals _PDE_approx	scalar, the approximation method of the second derivative1 for the first method2 for the second method	
_PDE_Elliptic	scalar (default = 0) 0 if the PDE problem is not an elliptic problem 1 if the PDE problem is an elliptic problem	
_PDE_PrintIters	scalar (default = 0) 0 – does not print iterations I – printing after each I iterations	
_PDE_SaveLastIter	scalar (default = 0) 0 for saving the solution for all the iterations m 1 for saving only the last solution for $t_m = t^+$	
output	scalar (default = 0) 1 – print informations about the algorithm and the mesh ratios 0 – no printing	

Remarks

To extract the solution, you may use the $\verb"readPDE2"$ procedure.

■ Source

Chapter 4 The tutorial

The programs used for the article "Non-uniform grids for PDE in finance" are included in the examples\pde directory. Moreover, we have added some tutorial files with a very simple example. These files cover all the procedures. Because the use of these procedures are very simple, we just do some remarks and do not provide a full description of them.

The *tutor1.prg-tutor11.prg* programs consider the linear parabolic PDE problem defined by

$$a(t,x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{2}$$

$$b(t,x) = x$$

$$c(t,x) = 1$$

$$d(t,x) = -(3x^{2} + x)e^{-t}$$

 \mathfrak{X} is set to [-1,1] and we have

$$u(t,-1) = -1 \quad \bigvee \quad u_x(t,-1) = -e^{-t} + 1$$

$$u(t,1) = 2e^{-t} + 1 \quad \bigvee \quad u_x(t,1) = 3e^{-t} + 1$$

The solution of the Cauchy problem with $u(0, x) = x^2 + 2x$ is

$$u(t,x) = (x^2 + x)e^{-t} + x$$

- tutor1: initialisation of the PDE problem with two Dirichlet conditions.
- tutor2: initialisation of the PDE problem with two Neumann conditions.
- tutor3: mixing of Dirichlet and Neumann conditions.
- tutor4: incompatibility of Dirichlet and Neumann conditions.
- tutor5: generates and plots a uniform grids.
- tutor6: generates and plots a non uniform grids (based on the inversion method of distribution).
- tutor7: generates and plots a non uniform grids (based on the Tavella-Rendall method).
- tutor8: solves the PDE problem.
- tutor9: extracts solution computed with the program *tutor8*.
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