SOLVING NONLINEAR TWO POINT BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM USING TWO STEP DIRECT METHOD

(Menyelesaikan Masalah Nilai Sempadan Dua Titik Tak Linear Menggunakan Kaedah Langsung Dua Langkah)

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we present two step direct method of Adams Moulton type (2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5) for solving nonlinear two point boundary value problems (BVPs) directly. The two step direct method will be utilised to obtain a series solution of the initial value problems at two steps simultaneously. These methods will solve the nonlinear second order BVPs by shooting technique using constant step size. Three step iterative method is considered as a procedure for solving the nonlinear equations and the convergence of the shooting technique. Numerical results are given to illustrate the efficiency and performance of the direct method by the shooting technique with root finding via three-step iterative method for solving boundary value problems. The results clearly show that the two step direct method is able to produce good results compared to the existing method.

Keywords: Boundary value problem; direct method; shooting technique

ABSTRAK

Dalam makalah ini, dicadangkan kaedah langsung dua langkah jenis Adams Moulton (2PDAM4 dan 2PDAM5) untuk menyelesaikan masalah nilai sempadan dua titik yang tak linear secara langsung. Kaedah langsung dua langkah digunakan untuk mendapatkan siri penyelesaian bagi masalah nilai awal pada dua titik serentak. Kaedah ini akan menyelesaikan masalah nilai sempadan peringkat kedua tak linear melalui teknik penembakan dengan menggunakan saiz langkah malar. Kaedah lelaran tiga langkah diambil kira sebagai suatu prosedur untuk menyelesaikan persamaan tak linear dan penumpuan teknik penembakan. Hasil berangka diberi untuk menggambarkan kecekapan dan prestasi kaedah langsung yang dicadangkan dengan teknik penembakan melalui kaedah lelaran tiga langkah untuk menyelesaikan masalah nilai sempadan. Keputusan jelas menunjukkan bahawa kaedah langsung dua langkah mampu menghasilkan keputusan yang baik berbanding dengan kaedah yang sedia ada.

Kata kunci: Masalah nilai sempadan; kaedah langsung; teknik penembakan

1. Introduction

This paper is concerned for solving directly two point boundary value problems of the form as follows:

$$y'' = f(x, y, y'), \qquad a \le x \le b \tag{1}$$

with boundary conditions

$$y(a) = \alpha, \qquad y(b) = \beta, \tag{2}$$

where a, b, α, β are the given constants. Two point boundary value problems occur in a wide variety of problems, including the modelling of chemical reactions, the boundary layer theory in fluid mechanics and heat power transmission theory. Since the boundary value problem has wide application in scientific research, therefore faster and accurate numerical solutions of boundary value problem are very importance.

A large number of numerical methods is now available in the literature for solving two point boundary value problems such as higher order finite difference methods proposed by Tirmizi & Tezel (2002) and extended Adomian decomposition method presented by Jang (2008). There are two main approaches for the numerical solutions of BVPs: indirect method and direct method. In indirect method, the higher order BVPs can be reduced to the equivalent first order system of equations and then solved using any numerical method. This approach is very well established but it obviously will enlarge the system. Ha (2001) had solved the two point boundary value problem using fourth order Runge-Kutta method via shooting technique. The second order boundary value problem has been reduced to a system of first order equations. Lin (2008) had solved the two point boundary value problem using the Adomian decomposition method. Jafri *et al.* (2009) has consider solving directly two point boundary value problem for second order ordinary differential equations using multistep method in term of backward difference formulae.

In this paper, we are concerned for solving nonlinear two point boundary value problems (BVPs) directly using direct method of Adams Moulton type. The given equations in (1) will be treated in their original second order form and therefore the requirement of storage is lower. The approach for solving higher order ordinary differential equations directly has been suggested by Suleiman (1989) Majid *et al.* (2009) and Ismail *et al.* (2009). The method proposed in Majid *et al.* (2009) is adapted for solving BVPs by shooting technique. A simple shooting algorithm for the two point BVPs has been proposed by many researches such as Keller (1968), Langford (1977), and Faires and Burden (1998). Newton's method is considered as a procedure for solving nonlinear equations and the numerical results shown that the proposed method converge faster than Newton method. In this research, the three step iterative method for nonlinear equations will be implemented to solve the problem.

2. Formulation of the Method



Figure 1: Two Step Direct Method

The interval [a,b] is divided into a series of blocks with each block containing two points as shown in Figure 1. Two approximate values are simultaneously found using the same back values i.e. y_{n+1} and y_{n+2} . The first point will be approximated by integrating Eq. (1) over the interval $[x_n, x_{n+1}]$ once and twice gives,

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} y''(x) dx = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} f(x, y, y') dx$$
(3)

and

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x} y''(x) dx dx = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x} f(x, y, y') dx dx.$$
(4)

The function f(x, y, y') in Eq. (3) and Eq. (4) will be replaced by Lagrange interpolating polynomial, P. The interpolating points involved in two step direct method of order four (2PDAM4) are (x_{n-1}, f_{n-1}) , (x_n, f_n) , (x_{n+1}, f_{n+1}) and (x_{n+2}, f_{n+2}) , we will obtain the Lagrange interpolating polynomial:

$$P_{3} = \frac{(x - x_{n-1})(x - x_{n})(x - x_{n+1})}{(x_{n+2} - x_{n-1})(x_{n+2} - x_{n})(x_{n+2} - x_{n+1})} f_{n+2} + \frac{(x - x_{n-1})(x - x_{n})(x - x_{n+2})}{(x_{n+1} - x_{n-1})(x_{n+1} - x_{n})(x_{n+1} - x_{n+2})} f_{n+1} + \frac{(x - x_{n-1})(x - x_{n+1})(x - x_{n+2})}{(x_{n} - x_{n-1})(x_{n} - x_{n+1})(x_{n} - x_{n+2})} f_{n} + \frac{(x - x_{n})(x - x_{n+1})(x - x_{n+2})}{(x_{n-1} - x_{n})(x_{n-1} - x_{n+2})} f_{n-1}.$$
(5)

Let $s = \frac{x - x_{n+2}}{h}$ and by replacing dx = hds and changing the limit of integration from -2 to -1. Eq. (8) and Eq. (9) can be written as:

$$y'_{n+1} - y'_n = \int_{-2}^{-1} P_3 h ds$$
(6)

$$y_{n+1} - y_n - hy'_n = \int_{-2}^{-1} -(s+1)P_3h^2 ds.$$
 (7)

Apply the same process to find the second point, y_{n+2} of the two step direct method. Eq. (1) will be integrated over the interval $[x_n, x_{n+2}]$ once and twice gives,

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+2}} y''(x) dx = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+2}} f(x, y, y') dx$$
(8)

and

$$\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+2}} \int_{x_n}^{x} y''(x) dx dx = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+2}} \int_{x_n}^{x} f(x, y, y') dx dx$$
(9)

Let $s = \frac{x - x_{n+2}}{h}$ and by replacing dx = hds and changing the limit of integration from -2 to 0. Eq. (8) and Eq. (9) can be written as:

$$y'_{n+2} - y'_n = \int_{-2}^{0} P_3 h ds \tag{10}$$

$$y_{n+2} - y_n - hy'_n = \int_{-2}^0 -(s)P_3h^2 ds.$$
⁽¹¹⁾

Evaluate these integrals using MAPLE, we obtain the corrector formulae for two step direct method of Adams Moulton type (2PDAM4):

$$y'_{n+1} = y'_{n} + \frac{h}{24}(-f_{n-1} + 13f_{n} + 13f_{n+1} - f_{n+2})$$
(12)

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hy'_n + \frac{h^2}{360} (-8f_{n-1} + 129f_n + 66f_{n+1} - 7f_{n+2})$$
(13)

$$y'_{n+2} = y'_{n} + \frac{h}{3}(f_{n} + 4f_{n+1} + f_{n+2})$$
(14)

$$y_{n+2} = y_n + 2hy'_n + \frac{h^2}{45}(-2f_{n-1} + 36f_n + 54f_{n+1} + 2f_{n+2}).$$
(15)

The same process is applied to derive the formulae for two step direct method of order five (2PDAM5). The interpolating points involved are $(x_{n-2}, f_{n-2}), (x_{n-1}, f_{n-1}), (x_n, f_n), (x_{n+1}, f_{n+1})$ and (x_{n+2}, f_{n+2}) The corrector formulae of 2PDAM5:

$$y'_{n+1} = y'_{n} + \frac{h}{720} (11f_{n-2} - 74f_{n-1} + 456f_{n} + 346f_{n+1} - 19f_{n+2})$$
(16)

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hy'_n + \frac{h^2}{1440} (11f_{n-2} - 76f_{n-1} + 582f_n + 220f_{n+1} - 17f_{n+2})$$
(17)

$$y'_{n+2} = y'_{n} + \frac{h}{90}(-f_{n-2} + 4f_{n-1} + 24f_{n} + 124f_{n+1} + 29f_{n+2})$$
(18)

$$y_{n+2} = y_n + 2hy'_n + \frac{h^2}{90}(f_{n-2} - 8f_{n-1} + 78f_n + 104f_{n+1} + 5f_{n+2})$$
(19)

This method is the combination of predictor of one order less than the corrector. The same process is applied to find the predictor formulae of the two step direct method. For calculating the initial points, two methods are involved i.e. Euler method and Modified Euler method. These methods will be used at the beginning of the code to find the starting initial points. Both methods will solve the problem directly. Then, the predictor and corrector direct method can be applied until the end of the interval. This direct method will be adapted for solving the boundary value problems via shooting techniques. Shooting technique will allow for new guessing and for each new guessing of the y', the Euler method and Modified Euler method

will be used again to find the starting initial points. In order to get better approximation for the initial points when using those methods, the value of h will be reduced to $\frac{h}{4}$. While the predictor and corrector direct method will remain using the choosing step size h.

3. Implementation of the Method

Shooting techniques is an analogy with the procedure of firing objects as a stationary target. It solves the problem with trial and error. To form an initial value problem out of boundary value problem (1), the initial value of y' need to be guessed. Starting with the initial guess, s_0 , the approximated solution of the derivative y'(a) gives,

$$y'' = f(x, y, y'), \qquad a \le x \le b$$

$$y(a) = \alpha, \qquad y'(a) = s_0.$$
(20)

Equation (20) can be written as follows

$$\frac{d^2 y(x,s)}{dx^2} = f(x, y(x,s), y'(x,s))$$

$$y(a,s) = \alpha, \qquad \frac{dy(a,s)}{dx} = s.$$
(21)

For the first initial guessing, s_0 , we considered

$$s_0 = \frac{\beta - \alpha}{b - a}.$$
(22)

See Faires and Burden (1998).

The solution of (21) will coincide with the solution of (1) if we could find the value of $s = s_v$ such that,

$$\phi(s) = y(b, s_v) - \beta = 0.$$
⁽²³⁾

Three step iterative method will be used to get a very rapidly converging iteration. We compute the s_v defined as

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$$T_{\nu} = s_{\nu} - \frac{\phi(s_{\nu})}{\phi'(s_{\nu})}$$

$$U_{\nu} = -\frac{\phi(T_{\nu})}{\phi'(T_{\nu})}$$

$$s_{\nu+1} = T_{\nu} - \frac{\phi(s_{\nu})}{\phi'(s_{\nu})} - \frac{\phi(T_{\nu} + U_{\nu})}{\phi'(s_{\nu})}.$$
(24)

See Yun (2008) for detail.

Differentiate Eq. (21) with respect to s, and it is simplified as follows:

$$z'' = \frac{d}{dy} f(x, y, y')z + \frac{d}{dy'} f(x, y, y')z'$$

$$a \le x \le b, \qquad z(a) = 0, \qquad z'(a) = 1.$$
(25)

Therefore, the solutions of Eq. (25) will give $\phi'(s_v) = z(b, s_v)$. The new guess can be calculated base on the previous guess. The three step iterative method will be in the form as follows,

$$T_{v} = s_{v} - \frac{y(b, s_{v}) - \beta}{z(b, s_{v})}$$

$$U_{v} = -\frac{y(b, T_{v}) - \beta}{z(b, s_{v})}$$

$$s_{v+1} = T_{v} - \frac{y(b, s_{v}) - \beta}{z(b, s_{v})} - \frac{y(b, T_{v} + U_{v}) - \beta}{z(b, s_{v})}.$$
(26)

Eq. (26) will give the new estimate for *s*. The iteration is repeated until we reached the condition $|s_{\nu+1} - s_{\nu}| \le \varepsilon$, where ε is the prescribed error bound. Both of Eq. (21) and Eq. (25) will be solved simultaneously using the direct two step method. The process is repeated over and over until the error $|\beta - y(b, s_{\nu})| \le \varepsilon$. The algorithms of the proposed method were developed in C language.

4. Results and Discussion

In this section, four numerical examples are presented. The problems will be tested to the direct two step of Adams Moulton method of order four (2PDAM4) and direct two step of Adams Moulton method of order five (2PDAM5). The following notations are used in the tables:

S ₀	Initial Guess
*	The value end with * is the maximum error
HA	Method proposed by Ha (2001)
DMS	Method proposed by Jafri et al. (2009)
2PDAM4	Direct two step Adams Moulton method of order four
2PDAM5	Direct two step Adams Moulton method of order five

Problem 1:

$$y''(x) = \frac{3}{2}y^2, \quad 0 \le x \le 1$$

Boundary condition: y(0) = 4, y(1) = 1

Exact solution: $y(x) = \frac{4}{(1+x)^2}$.

Source: Ha (2001)

Similar with HA and DMS, we chose h = 0.05 and used error bound 10^{-5} . By using the formula stated in (22), we can get the initial guess, $s_0 = -3.000$. Ha (2001) did not use formula (22) to obtain the initial guess but the author used $s_0 = 0.5$. Table 1 presented the numerical results using $s_0 = -3.000$ and $s_0 = 0.5$. Firstly, a comparison is made between the method of order four, i.e. HA, DMS and 2PDAM4. Table 1 shown that 2PDAM4 is better than DMS and HA for the tested initial guess in term of approximated error and maximum error. The results obtained by 2PDAM5 have better accuracy compare to 2PDAM4 because 2PDAM5 is a method of one order higher than 2PDAM4. The approximate error for the last x at the last iteration is more accurate compare to the other points in the interval because we used three step iterative method to generate the guessing values. In Table 2, the 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 methods have less number of iterations compared to HA and DMS when $s_0 = -3.0$ and $s_0 = 0.5$. The final calculating, s_v in 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 converged to the values of -8.0004 and -8.0001 respectively and the iteration needed is only four for both s_0 . In Table 7, 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 have reduced the total number of steps almost half compare to HA and DMS method. This result was expected since 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 methods approximate the solutions at two points simultaneously.

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r	$s_0 = -3.000$				$s_0 = 0.5$			
л .	DMS	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	HA	DMS	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
0.10	3.19e-4*	4.17e-6	1.45e-6*	3.0e-6	3.19e-4*	4.17e-6	1.45e-6*	
0.20	2.62e-4	4.65e-6*	9.97e-7	4.0e-6*	2.62e-4	4.65e-6*	9.97e-7	
0.30	2.11e-4	4.62e-6	8.48e-7	4.0e-6	2.11e-4	4.62e-6	8.48e-7	
0.40	1.69e-4	4.31e-6	6.13e-7	4.0e-6	1.68e-4	4.31e-6	6.13e-7	
0.50	1.32e-4	3.84e-6	4.53e-7	4.0e-6	1.32e-4	3.84e-6	4.53e-7	
0.60	1.01e-4	3.26e-6	3.35e-7	3.0e-6	1.00e-4	3.26e-6	3.35e-7	
0.70	7.32e-5	2.58e-6	2.40e-7	3.0e-6	7.21e-5	2.58e-6	2.40e-7	
0.80	4.76e-5	1.82e-6	1.57e-7	3.0e-6	4.62e-5	1.82e-6	1.57e-7	
0.90	2.34e-5	9.64e-7	7.84e-8	3.0e-6	2.17e-5	9.64e-7	7.82e-8	
1.00	3.00e-7	3.89e-16	7.77e-16	3.0e-6	2.40e-7	1.75e-10	1.85e-10	

Table 1: Comparison of the approximated errors for solving Problem 1

Table 2: The iteration of guess in Problem 1

	$s_0 = -3.000$				$s_0 = 0.5$			
V	DMS	2PDAM4	A 2PDAM5	HA	DMS	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	
1	-3.0000	-3.0000	-3.0000	0.5000	0.5000	0.5000	0.5000	
2	-5.4859	-7.6423	-7.6419	-2.7393	-1.9756	-5.4698	-5.4615	
3	-7.2482	-8.0004	-8.0001	-5.5600	-4.5634	-7.9719	-7.9712	
4	-7.9274	-8.0004	-8.0001	-7.3365	-6.6849	-8.0004	-8.0001	
5	-8.0066	-	-	-7.9311	-7.7767	-	-	
6	-8.0075	-	-	-	-7.9997	-	-	
7	-	-	-	-	-8.0075	-	-	

Problem 2:

 $y''(x) = y^3 - yy', \qquad 1 \le x \le 2$

Boundary condition: $y(1) = \frac{1}{2}$, $y(2) = \frac{1}{3}$

Exact solution: $y(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$.

Source: Ha (2001)

This problem was tested using h = 0.05 and error bound 10^{-5} . By using formulae (22), we obtained the initial guess $s_0 = -0.16667$. Ha (2001) did not implement formulae (22) to obtain the initial guess, the author chose $s_0 = 4.0$. The numerical results for HA, 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 at two different values of initial guess are presented in Table 3 and Table 4. The 2PDAM4 method performs better than HA in term of accuracy. The 2PDAM5 has better accuracy compared to 2PDAM4. Both 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 managed to converge the final calculating s_v to -0.250000. In Table 4, the 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 methods only took

three and two iterations to converge while $s_0 = 4.0$ and -0.16667 respectively. In Table 7, we observed the 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 reduced the total steps taken to almost half compared to HA.

r	$s_0 = 4.0$			$s_0 = -0.16667$	
л	HA	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	2PDAM4	2PDAM5
1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1.10	5.50e-5	6.02e-9	7.16e-9	6.03e-9	7.16e-9
1.20	9.10e-5	1.84e-8	1.17e-8	1.84e-8	1.17e-8
1.30	1.11e-4	3.71e-8	1.19e-8*	3.71e-8	1.19e-8*
1.40	1.18e-4*	4.63e-8	1.18e-8	4.63e-8	1.18e-8
1.50	1.16e-4	4.85e-8*	1.09e-8	4.86e-8*	1.08e-8
1.60	1.05e-4	4.58e-8	9.33e-9	4.59e-8	9.30e-9
1.70	8.80e-5	3.95e-8	7.37e-9	3.95e-8	7.33e-9
1.80	6.50e-5	3.04e-8	5.12e-9	3.04e-8	5.08e-9
1.90	3.70e-5	1.93e-8	2.66e-9	1.93e-8	2.61e-9
2.00	6.00e-6	6.61e-9	5.72e-11	6.66e-9	1.92e-13

Table 3: Comparison of the approximated errors for solving Problem 2

Table 4: The iteration of guess in Problem 2

v	$s_0 =$	4.0	$s_0 = -0.$	16667	
v <u> </u>	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	
1	4.000000	4.000000	-0.166667	-0.166667	
2	-0.193056	-0.193118	-0.250000	-0.250000	
3	-0.250000	-0.250000	-	-	

Problem 3:

$$y'' = \frac{32 + 2x^3 - yy'}{8}, \ 1 \le x \le 3$$

Boundary condition: y(1) = 17, $y(3) = \frac{43}{3}$ Exact solution: $y = x^2 + \frac{16}{x}$

Source: Ha (2001)

Similar with Ha (2001), we tested Problem 3 with h = 0.01, error bound 10^{-5} and $s_0 = 0.25$. Besides that, we also run the numerical result when the initial guess obtain from formula (22), $s_0 = 1.33333$. Table 5 shows the approximated error for both initial guess. 2PDAM4 method is more accurate compare to HA at each step. The accuracy of 2PDAM5 method is better compared to 2PDAM4 method. This is expected because the 2PDAM5 method is one order higher than 2PDAM4 method. Table 6 showed that the 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 methods managed to converge after three iterations but HA needed 20 iterations to

converge. In Table 7, 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5 only need 101 and 102 total steps respectively but HA took 200 total steps.

r		$s_0 = 0.25$			$s_0 = 1.3333$	
л	HA	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	
1.00	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
1.20	2.00e-6	1.88e-8	5.86e-9*	1.88e-8	5.86e-9*	
1.40	3.00e-6	2.28e-8*	4.03e-9	2.28e-8*	4.03e-9	
1.60	1.00e-6	2.09e-8	2.84e-9	2.09e-8	2.84e-9	
1.80	1.00e-6	1.71e-8	1.98e-9	1.71e-8	1.98e-9	
2.00	0.00e-6	1.30e-8	1.35e-9	1.30e-8	1.35e-9	
2.20	2.00e-6	9.14e-9	8.80e-10	9.14e-9	8.80e-10	
2.40	4.00e-6	5.89e-9	5.34e-10	5.89e-9	5.34e-10	
2.60	6.00e-6	3.31e-9	2.86e-10	3.31e-9	2.86e-10	
2.80	9.00e-6	1.37e-9	1.14e-10	1.37e-9	1.14e-10	
3.00	1.10e-5*	3.48e-15	3.94e-15	5.91e-15	4.75e-15	

Table 5: Comparison of the approximated errors for solving Problem 3

Table 6: The iteration of guess in Problem 3

		$s_0 = 0.25$			$s_0 = 1.3333$		
v	HA	2PDAM4	2PDAM5	2PDAM4	2PDAM5		
1	0.250000	0.250000	0.250000	-1.333333	-1.333333		
2	-25.509144	-14.017934	-14.017925	-14.009589	-14.009580		
3	-15.342037	-13.999994	-13.999984	-13.999994	-13.999984		
4	-13.442387	-	-	-	-		
5	-14.270104	-	-	-	-		
6	-13.876993	-	-	-	-		
7	-14.057735	-	-	-	-		
8	-13.973262	-	-	-	-		
9	-14.012450	-	-	-	-		
10	-13.994210	-	-	-	-		
11	-14.002692	-	-	-	-		
12	-13.998731	-	-	-	-		
13	-14.000594	-	-	-	-		
14	-13.999723	-	-	-	-		
15	-14.000119	-	-	-	-		
16	-13.999936	-	-	-	-		
17	-14.000038	-	-	-	-		
18	-13.999974	-	-	-	-		
19	-14.000022	-	-	-	-		
20	-13.999996	-	-	-	-		

Table 7: The total step for solving Problem 1-3

Method	Problem 1	Problem 2	Problem 3
НА	20	20	200
DMS	20		
2PDAM4	11	11	101
2PDAM5	12	12	102

Problem 4:

 $y'' = -\lambda e^y$, $0 \le x \le 1$

Boundary condition: y(0) = 0, y(1) = 0

Source: Lin (2008)

We will consider the case with $\lambda = 1$. Figure 2 contains the MATLAB solution, bvp4c together with the approximate solution obtain by 2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5. We could observe the accuracy of the solution obtained in the plot.



Figure 2: Comparison of the approximate solution for solving Problem 4

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we have shown the proposed direct method of Adams Moulton type (2PDAM4 and 2PDAM5) with shooting technique via three-step iterative method using constant step size is suitable for solving two point second order nonlinear boundary value problems. This proposed method is simple, efficient and economically.

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