

# Numerical Solution of Tenth Order Boundary Value Problems by Petrov-Galerkin Method with Quintic B-splines as basis functions and Septic B-Splines as weight functions

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**Abstract:** In this paper a finite element method involving Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions has been developed to solve a general tenth order boundary value problem with a particular case of boundary conditions. The basis functions are redefined into a new set of basis functions which vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet, the Neumann, second order derivative and third order derivative type of boundary conditions are prescribed. The weight functions are also redefined into a new set of weight functions which in number match with the number of redefined basis functions. The proposed method was applied to solve several examples of tenth order linear and nonlinear boundary value problems. The obtained numerical results were found to be in good agreement with the exact solutions available in the literature.

**Keywords:** Petrov-Galerkin method, Quintic B-spline, Septic B-spline, Tenth order boundary value problem, Absolute error.

## 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider a general tenth order linear boundary value problem

$$a_0(x)y^{(10)}(x) + a_1(x)y^{(9)}(x) + a_2(x)y^{(8)}(x) + a_3(x)y^{(7)}(x) + a_4(x)y^{(6)}(x) + a_5(x)y^{(5)}(x) + a_6(x)y^{(4)}(x) + a_7(x)y'''(x) + a_8(x)y''(x) + a_9(x)y'(x) + a_{10}(x)y(x) = b(x), \quad c < x < d$$

subject to boundary conditions

$$y(c) = A_0, y(d) = C_0, y'(c) = A_1, y'(d) = C_1, y''(c) = A_2, y''(d) = C_2, y'''(c) = A_3, y'''(d) = C_3, y^{(4)}(c) = A_4, y^{(4)}(d) = C_4$$

where  $A_0, C_0, A_1, C_1, A_2, C_2, A_3, C_3, A_4, C_4$  are finite real constants and  $a_0(x), a_1(x), a_2(x), a_3(x), a_4(x), a_5(x), a_6(x), a_7(x), a_8(x), a_9(x), a_{10}(x)$  and  $b(x)$  are all continuous functions defined on the interval  $[c, d]$ .

The literature on the numerical solutions of tenth-order boundary value problems is very scarce. A class of characteristic-value problems of high order (as high as twenty four) are known to arise in hydrodynamic and hydromagnetic stability [1]. Tenth-order differential equations govern the physics of some hydrodynamic stability problems. When an infinite horizontal layer of fluid is heated from below, with the supposition that a uniform magnetic field is also applied across the fluid in the same direction as gravity and the fluid is subject to the action of rotation, instability sets in. When this instability sets in as ordinary convection, it is modelled by a tenth-order ordinary differential equation [1]. The existence and uniqueness of the solution for these types of problems have been discussed in Agarwal [2]. Finding the analytical solutions of such type of boundary value problems in general is not possible. Over the years, many researchers have worked on tenth order boundary value problems by using different

methods for numerical solutions. Twizell et al. [3] developed finite difference techniques for the solution of eighth, tenth and twelfth order boundary value problems. Siddiqi and Twizell [4], Siddiqi and Ghazala [5] presented the solution of a special case of linear tenth order boundary value problems by using tenth order and eleventh order spline functions respectively. Wazwaz [6] developed a modified Adomian decomposition for the solution of eighth, tenth and twelfth order boundary value problems. Siddiqi and Ghazala [7] presented the solution of a special case of linear tenth order boundary value problems by using non-polynomial spline techniques. Erturk and Shaher [8] presented differential transform method for the solution of tenth order boundary value problems. Geng and Li [9], Abbasbandy and Shirzdi [10] presented the solution of a special case of tenth order boundary value problems by using variational iteration techniques respectively. Kasi Viswanadham and Showri raju [11] developed quintic B-spline collocation method are used to solve a general tenth order boundary value problems. Kasi Viswanadham and Sreenivasulu [12] developed the quintic B-spline Galerkin method to solve a general tenth order boundary value problem. So far, tenth order boundary value problems have not been solved by using Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions. This motivated us to solve a tenth order boundary value problem by Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions.

In this paper, we try to present a simple finite element method which involves Petrov-Galerkin approach with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions to solve the tenth order boundary value problem of the type (1)-(2). This paper is organized as follows. Section 2, deals with the justification for using Petrov-Galerkin Method. In section 3, the definition of quintic B-splines and septic B-splines has been described. In section 4, description of the Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions has been

presented and in section 5, solution procedure to find the nodal parameters is presented. In section 6, the proposed method is tested on several linear and nonlinear boundary value problems. The solution to a nonlinear problem has been obtained as the limit of a sequence of solution of linear problems generated by the quasilinearization technique [13]. Finally, in the last section, the conclusions are presented.

## 2. Justification for using Petrov-Galerkin method

In Finite Element Method (FEM) the approximate solution can be written as a linear combination of basis functions which constitute a basis for the approximation space under consideration. FEM involves variational methods like Rayleigh Ritz method, Galerkin method, Least Squares method, Petrov-Galerkin method and Collocation method etc. In Petrov-Galerkin method, the residual of approximation is made orthogonal to the weight functions. When we use Petrov-Galerkin method, a weak form of approximation solution for a given differential equation exists and is unique under appropriate conditions [14, 15] irrespective of properties of a given differential operator. Further, a weak solution also tends to a classical solution of given differential equation, provided sufficient attention is given to the boundary conditions [16]. That means the basis functions should vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet type of boundary conditions are prescribed and also the number of weight functions should match with the number of basis functions. Hence in this paper we employed the use of Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions to approximate the solution of tenth order boundary value problem.

## 3. Definition of quintic B-spline and Septic B-spline

The quintic B-splines and septic B-splines are defined in [17]-[19]. The existence of quintic spline interpolate  $s(x)$  to a function in a closed interval  $[c, d]$  for spaced knots (need not be evenly spaced) of a partition  $c = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = d$  is established by constructing it. The construction of  $s(x)$  is done with the help of the quintic B-splines. Introduce ten additional knots  $x_{-5}, x_{-4}, x_{-3}, x_{-2}, x_{-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+3}, x_{n+4}$  and  $x_{n+5}$  in such a way that

$$x_{-5} < x_{-4} < x_{-3} < x_{-2} < x_{-1} < x_0 \quad \text{and} \quad x_n < x_{n+1} < x_{n+2} < x_{n+3} < x_{n+4} < x_{n+5}.$$

Now the quintic B-splines  $B_i(x)$ 's are defined by

$$B_i(x) = \begin{cases} \sum_{r=i-3}^{i+3} \frac{(x_r - x)_+^5}{\pi'(x_r)}, & x \in [x_{i-3}, x_{i+3}] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where

$$(x_r - x)_+^5 = \begin{cases} (x_r - x)^5, & \text{if } x_r \geq x \\ 0, & \text{if } x_r \leq x \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \pi(x) = \prod_{r=i-3}^{i+3} (x - x_r)$$

where  $\{B_{-2}(x), B_{-1}(x), B_0(x), B_1(x), \dots, B_{n-1}(x), B_n(x), B_{n+1}(x), B_{n+2}(x)\}$  forms a basis for the space  $S_5(\pi)$  of quintic polynomial splines. Schoenberg [19] has proved that quintic B-splines are the unique nonzero splines of smallest compact support with the knots at

$$x_{-5} < x_{-4} < x_{-3} < x_{-2} < x_{-1} < x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n \\ 1 < x_n < x_{n+1} < x_{n+2} < x_{n+3} < x_{n+4} < x_{n+5}.$$

In a similar analogue septic B-splines  $\hat{B}_i(x)$ 's are defined by

$$\hat{B}_i(x) = \begin{cases} \sum_{r=i-4}^{i+4} \frac{(x_r - x)_+^7}{\pi'(x_r)}, & x \in [x_{i-4}, x_{i+4}] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where

$$(x_r - x)_+^7 = \begin{cases} (x_r - x)^7, & \text{if } x_r \geq x \\ 0, & \text{if } x_r \leq x \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \pi(x) = \prod_{r=i-4}^{i+4} (x - x_r)$$

where  $\{\hat{B}_{-3}(x), \hat{B}_{-2}(x), \hat{B}_{-1}(x), \hat{B}_0(x), \hat{B}_1(x), \dots, \hat{B}_{n-1}(x), \hat{B}_n(x), \hat{B}_{n+1}(x), \hat{B}_{n+2}(x), \hat{B}_{n+3}(x)\}$  forms a basis for the space  $S_7(\pi)$  of septic polynomial splines with the introduction of four more additional knots  $x_{-7}, x_{-6}, x_{n+6}, x_{n+7}$  to the already existing knots  $x_{-5}$  to  $x_{n+5}$ . Schoenberg [19] has proved that septic B-splines are the unique nonzero splines of smallest compact support with the knots at

$$x_{-7} < x_{-6} < x_{-5} < x_{-4} < x_{-3} < x_{-2} < x_{-1} < x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n \\ 1 < x_n < x_{n+1} < x_{n+2} < x_{n+3} < x_{n+4} < x_{n+5} < x_{n+6} < x_{n+7}.$$

## 4. Description of the method

To solve the boundary value problem (1) subject to boundary conditions (2) by the Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions, we define the approximation for  $y(x)$  as

$$y(x) = \sum_{j=-2}^{n+2} \alpha_j B_j(x) \quad (3)$$

where  $\alpha_j$ 's are the nodal parameters to be determined and  $B_j(x)$ 's are quintic B-spline basis functions. In Petrov-Galerkin method, the basis functions should vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet type of boundary conditions are specified. In the set of quintic B-splines  $\{B_{-2}(x), B_{-1}(x), B_0(x), B_1(x), \dots, B_{n-1}(x), B_n(x), B_{n+1}(x), B_{n+2}(x)\}$ , the basis functions  $B_{-2}(x), B_{-1}(x), B_0(x), B_1(x), B_2(x), B_{n-2}(x), B_{n-1}(x), B_n(x), B_{n+1}(x)$  and  $B_{n+2}(x)$  do not vanish at one of the boundary points. So, there is a necessity of redefining the basis functions into a new set of basis functions which vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet type of boundary conditions are specified. When the chosen approximation satisfies the prescribed boundary conditions or most of the boundary conditions, it gives better approximation results. In view of this, the basis functions are redefined into a new set of basis functions which vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet, Neumann, second order derivative and third order derivative type of boundary conditions are prescribed. The procedure for redefining of the basis functions is as follows.

Using the definition of quintic B-splines, the Dirichlet, the Neumann, second order derivative and third order derivative boundary conditions of (2), we get the approximate solution at the boundary points as

$$A_0 = y(c) = y(x_0) = \sum_{j=-2}^2 \alpha_j B_j(x_0) \quad (4)$$

$$C_0 = y(d) = y(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-2}^{n+2} \alpha_j B_j(x_n) \quad (5)$$

$$A_1 = y'(c) = y'(x_0) = \sum_{j=-2}^2 \alpha_j B'_j(x_0) \quad (6)$$

$$C_1 = y'(d) = y'(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-2}^{n+2} \alpha_j B'_j(x_n) \quad (7)$$

$$A_2 = y''(c) = y''(x_0) = \sum_{j=-2}^2 \alpha_j B''_j(x_0) \quad (8)$$

$$C_2 = y''(d) = y''(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-2}^{n+2} \alpha_j B''_j(x_n) \quad (9)$$

$$A_3 = y'''(c) = y'''(x_0) = \sum_{j=-2}^2 \alpha_j B'''_j(x_0) \quad (10)$$

$$C_3 = y'''(d) = y'''(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-2}^{n+2} \alpha_j B'''_j(x_n) \quad (11)$$

Eliminating  $\alpha_{-2}$ ,  $\alpha_{-1}$ ,  $\alpha_0$ ,  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_{n-1}$ ,  $\alpha_n$ ,  $\alpha_{n+1}$  and  $\alpha_{n+2}$  from the equations (3) to (11), we get

$$y(x) = w(x) + \sum_{j=2}^{n-2} \alpha_j S_j(x) \quad (12)$$

where

$$w(x) = w_3(x) + \frac{A_3 - w_3'''(x_0)}{R_1'''(x_0)} R_1(x) + \frac{C_3 - w_3'''(x_n)}{R_{n-1}'''(x_n)} R_{n-1}(x) \quad (13)$$

$$w_3(x) = w_2(x) + \frac{A_2 - w_2''(x_0)}{Q_0''(x_0)} Q_0(x) + \frac{C_2 - w_2''(x_n)}{Q_n''(x_n)} Q_n(x) \quad (14)$$

$$w_2(x) = w_1(x) + \frac{A_1 - w_1'(x_0)}{P_{-1}'(x_0)} P_{-1}(x) + \frac{C_1 - w_1'(x_n)}{P_{n+1}'(x_n)} P_{n+1}(x) \quad (15)$$

$$w_1(x) = \frac{A_0}{B_{-2}(x_0)} B_{-2}(x) + \frac{C_0}{B_{n+2}(x_n)} B_{n+2}(x) \quad (16)$$

$$S_j(x) = \begin{cases} R_j(x) - \frac{R_j'''(x_0)}{R_1'''(x_0)} R_1(x), & j = 2 \\ R_j(x), & j = 3, 4, \dots, n-3 \\ R_j(x) - \frac{R_j'''(x_n)}{R_{n-1}'''(x_n)} R_{n-1}(x), & j = n-2 \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

$$R_j(x) = \begin{cases} Q_j(x) - \frac{Q_j''(x_0)}{Q_0''(x_0)} Q_0(x), & j = 1, 2 \\ Q_j(x), & j = 3, 4, \dots, n-3 \\ Q_j(x) - \frac{Q_j''(x_n)}{Q_n''(x_n)} Q_n(x), & j = n-2, n-1 \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

$$Q_j(x) = \begin{cases} P_j(x) - \frac{P_j'(x_0)}{P_{-1}'(x_0)} P_{-1}(x), & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ P_j(x), & j = 3, 4, \dots, n-3 \\ P_j(x) - \frac{P_j'(x_n)}{P_{n+1}'(x_n)} P_{n+1}(x), & j = n-2, n-1, n \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

$$P_j(x) = \begin{cases} B_j(x) - \frac{B_j(x_0)}{B_{-2}(x_0)} B_{-2}(x), & j = -1, 0, 1, 2 \\ B_j(x), & j = 3, 4, \dots, n-3 \\ B_j(x) - \frac{B_j(x_n)}{B_{n+2}(x_n)} B_{n+2}(x), & j = n-2, n-1, n, n+1 \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

The new set of basis functions in the approximation  $y(x)$  is  $\{S_j(x), j=2, 3, \dots, n-2\}$ . Here  $w(x)$  takes care of given set of Dirichlet, Neumann, second order derivative and third order derivative type of boundary conditions and  $S_j(x)$ 's and its

first, second and third order derivatives vanish on the boundary. In Petrov-Galerkin method, the number of basis functions in the approximation should match with the number of weight functions. Here the number of basis functions in the approximation for  $y(x)$  defined in (12) is  $n-3$ , where as the number of weight functions is  $n+7$ . So, there is a need to redefine the weight functions into a new set of weight functions which in number match with the number of basis functions. The procedure for redefining the weight functions is as follows:

Let us write the approximation for  $v(x)$  as

$$y(x) = \sum_{j=-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}_j(x) \quad (21)$$

where  $\hat{B}_j(x)$ 's are septic B-splines and here we assume that

above approximation  $v(x)$  satisfies corresponding homogeneous boundary conditions of the given boundary conditions (2). That means  $v(x)$  defined in (21) satisfies the conditions

$$v(c) = 0, v(d) = 0, v'(c) = 0, v'(d) = 0, v''(c) = 0, v''(d) = 0, v'''(c) = 0, v'''(d) = 0, v^{(4)}(c) = 0, v^{(4)}(d) = 0 \quad (22)$$

Applying the boundary conditions (22) to (21), we get the approximate solution at the boundary points as

$$v(c) = v(x_0) = \sum_{j=-3}^3 \beta_j \hat{B}_j(x_0) = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$v(d) = v(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}_j(x_n) = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$v'(c) = v'(x_0) = \sum_{j=-3}^3 \beta_j \hat{B}'_j(x_0) = 0 \quad (25)$$

$$v'(d) = v'(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}'_j(x_n) = 0 \quad (26)$$

$$v''(c) = v''(x_0) = \sum_{j=-3}^3 \beta_j \hat{B}''_j(x_0) = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$v''(d) = v''(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}''_j(x_n) = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$v'''(c) = v'''(x_0) = \sum_{j=-3}^3 \beta_j \hat{B}_j'''(x_0) = 0 \tag{29}$$

$$v'''(d) = v'''(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}_j'''(x_n) = 0 \tag{30}$$

$$v^{(4)}(c) = v^{(4)}(x_0) = \sum_{j=-3}^3 \beta_j \hat{B}_j^{(4)}(x_0) = 0 \tag{31}$$

$$v^{(4)}(d) = v^{(4)}(x_n) = \sum_{j=n-3}^{n+3} \beta_j \hat{B}_j^{(4)}(x_n) = 0 \tag{32}$$

Eliminating  $\beta_{-3}, \beta_{-2}, \beta_{-1}, \beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_{n-1}, \beta_n, \beta_{n+1}, \beta_{n+2}$  and  $\beta_{n+3}$  from the equations (21) and (23) to (32), we get the approximation for  $v(x)$  as

$$v(x) = \sum_{j=2}^{n-2} \beta_j \hat{V}_j(x) \tag{33}$$

where

$$\hat{V}_j(x) = \begin{cases} \hat{U}_j(x) - \frac{\hat{U}_j^{(4)}(x_0)}{\hat{U}_1^{(4)}(x_0)} \hat{U}_1(x), & j = 2, 3 \\ \hat{U}_j(x), & j = 4, 5, \dots, n-4 \\ \hat{U}_j(x) - \frac{\hat{U}_j^{(4)}(x_n)}{\hat{U}_{n-1}^{(4)}(x_n)} \hat{U}_{n-1}(x), & j = n-3, n-2 \end{cases} \tag{34}$$

$$\hat{U}_j(x) = \begin{cases} V_j(x) - \frac{V_j'''(x_0)}{V_0'''(x_0)} V_0(x), & j = 1, 2, 3 \\ V_j(x), & j = 4, 5, \dots, n-4 \\ V_j(x) - \frac{V_j'''(x_n)}{V_n'''(x_n)} V_n(x), & j = n-3, n-2, n-1 \end{cases} \tag{35}$$

$$V_j(x) = \begin{cases} U_j(x) - \frac{U_j''(x_0)}{U_{-1}''(x_0)} U_{-1}(x), & j = 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ U_j(x), & j = 4, 5, \dots, n-4 \\ U_j(x) - \frac{U_j''(x_n)}{U_{n+1}''(x_n)} U_{n+1}(x), & j = n-3, n-2, n-1, n \end{cases} \tag{36}$$

$$U_j(x) = \begin{cases} T_j(x) - \frac{T_j'(x_0)}{T_{-2}'(x_0)} T_{-2}(x), & j = -1, 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ T_j(x), & j = 4, 5, \dots, n-4 \\ T_j(x) - \frac{T_j'(x_n)}{T_{n+2}'(x_n)} T_{n+2}(x), & j = n-3, n-2, n-1, n, n+1 \end{cases} \tag{37}$$

$$T_j(x) = \begin{cases} \hat{B}_j(x) - \frac{\hat{B}_j(x_0)}{\hat{B}_{-3}(x_0)} \hat{B}_{-3}(x), & j = -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ \hat{B}_j(x), & j = 4, 5, \dots, n-4 \\ \hat{B}_j(x) - \frac{\hat{B}_j(x_n)}{\hat{B}_{n+3}(x_n)} \hat{B}_{n+3}(x), & j = n-3, n-2, n-1, n, n+1, n+2 \end{cases} \tag{38}$$

Now the new set of weight functions for the approximation  $v(x)$  is  $\{\hat{V}_j(x), j=2, 3, \dots, n-2\}$ . Here  $\hat{V}_j(x)$ 's and its first, second, third and fourth order derivatives vanish on the boundary.

Applying the Petrov-Galerkin method to (1) with the new set of basis functions  $\{S_j(x), j=2, 3, \dots, n-2\}$  and with the new set of weight functions  $\{\hat{V}_j(x), j=2, 3, \dots, n-2\}$ , we get

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} [a_0(x)y^{(10)}(x) + a_1(x)y^{(9)}(x) + a_2(x)y^{(8)}(x) + a_3(x)y^{(7)}(x) + a_4(x)y^{(6)}(x) + a_5(x)y^{(5)}(x) + a_6(x)y^{(4)}(x) + a_7(x)y'''(x) + a_8(x)y''(x) + a_9(x)y'(x) + a_{10}(x)y(x)] \hat{V}_i(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_n} b(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx \text{ for } i = 2, 3, \dots, n-2. \tag{39}$$

Integrating by parts the first six terms on the left hand side of (39) and after applying the boundary conditions prescribed in (2), we get

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_0(x)y^{(10)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_0(x) \hat{V}_i(x)]_{x_n} C_4 \tag{40}$$

$$+ \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_0(x) \hat{V}_i(x)]_{x_0} A_4 + \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^6}{dx^6} [a_0(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y^{(4)}(x) dx$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_1(x)y^{(9)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_1(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y^{(4)}(x) dx \tag{41}$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_2(x)y^{(8)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_2(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y'''(x) dx \tag{42}$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_3(x)y^{(7)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_3(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y''(x) dx \tag{43}$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_4(x)y^{(6)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_4(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y'(x) dx \tag{44}$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} a_5(x)y^{(5)}(x) \hat{V}_i(x) dx = - \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_5(x) \hat{V}_i(x)] y(x) dx \tag{45}$$

Substituting (40), (41), (42), (43), (44) and (45) in (39) and using the approximation for  $y(x)$  given in (12), and after rearranging the terms for resulting equations, we get a system of equations in the matrix form as

$$\mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\alpha} = \mathbf{B} \tag{46}$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = [a_{ij}]$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{ij} = & \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \left\{ \left[ \frac{d^6}{dx^6} [a_0(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] - \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_1(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \right. \\
& + a_6(x)\hat{V}_i(x) S_j^{(4)}(x) + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_2(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \\
& + a_7(x)\hat{V}_i(x) S_j'''(x) + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_3(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \\
& + a_8(x)\hat{V}_i(x) S_j''(x) + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_4(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \\
& + a_9(x)\hat{V}_i(x) S_j'(x) + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_5(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \\
& \left. + a_{10}(x)\hat{V}_i(x) S_j(x) \right\} dx \\
& \text{for } i=2, 3, \dots, n-2; j=2, 3, \dots, n-2. \quad (47)
\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{B} = [b_i];$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_i = & \int_{x_0}^{x_n} \left\{ b(x)\hat{V}_i(x) - \left[ \frac{d^6}{dx^6} [a_0(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] \right] \right. \\
& - \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_1(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] + a_6(x)\hat{V}_i(x) w^{(4)}(x) \\
& + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_2(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] + a_7(x)\hat{V}_i(x) w'''(x) \right] \\
& + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_3(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] + a_8(x)\hat{V}_i(x) w''(x) \right] \\
& + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_4(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] + a_9(x)\hat{V}_i(x) w'(x) \right] \\
& + \left[ -\frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_5(x)\hat{V}_i(x)] + a_{10}(x)\hat{V}_i(x) w(x) \right] \left. \right\} dx \\
& + \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_0(x)\hat{V}_i(x)]_{x_n} C_4 - \frac{d^5}{dx^5} [a_0(x)\hat{V}_i(x)]_{x_0} A_4 \\
& \text{for } i=2, 3, \dots, n-2. \quad (48)
\end{aligned}$$

and  $\alpha = [\alpha_2 \alpha_3 \dots \alpha_{n-2}]^T$ .

## 5. Solution procedure to find the nodal parameters

A typical integral element in the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is

$$\sum_{m=0}^{n-1} I_m$$

where  $I_m = \int_{x_m}^{x_{m+1}} v_i(x)r_j(x)Z(x)dx$  and  $r_j(x)$  are the quintic B-spline basis functions or their derivatives.  $v_i(x)$  are the septic B-spline weight functions or their derivatives. It may be noted that  $I_m = 0$  if  $(x_{i-4}, x_{i+4}) \cap (x_{j-3}, x_{j+3}) \cap (x_m, x_{m+1}) = \emptyset$ .

To evaluate each  $I_m$ , we employed 7-point Gauss-Legendre quadrature formula. Thus the stiffness matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is a thirteen diagonal band matrix. The nodal parameter vector  $\alpha$  has been obtained from the system  $\mathbf{A}\alpha = \mathbf{B}$  using the band matrix

solution package. We have used the FORTRAN-90 program to solve the boundary value problems (1) - (2) by the proposed method.

## 6. Numerical results

To demonstrate the applicability of the proposed method for solving the tenth order boundary value problems of the type (1) and (2), we considered three linear and three nonlinear boundary value problems. The obtained numerical results for each problem are presented in tabular forms and compared with the exact solutions available in the literature.

**Example 1:** Consider the linear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} + xy = -(80 + 19x + x^3)e^x, \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad (49)$$

subject to

$$y(0) = 0, \quad y(1) = 0, \quad y'(0) = 1, \quad y'(1) = -e, \quad y''(0) = 0, \quad y''(1) = -4e,$$

$$y'''(0) = -3, \quad y'''(1) = -9e, \quad y^{(4)}(0) = -8, \quad y^{(4)}(1) = -16e.$$

The exact solution for the above problem is  $y = x(1-x)e^x$ .

The proposed method is tested on this problem where the domain  $[0, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals. The obtained numerical results for this problem are given in Table 1. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $2.825260 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Table 1:** Numerical results for Example 1

X	Absolute error by the proposed method
0.1	4.172325E-07
0.2	3.233552E-06
0.3	1.123548E-05
0.4	2.232194E-05
0.5	2.825260E-05
0.6	2.512336E-05
0.7	1.624227E-05
0.8	7.450581E-06
0.9	2.518296E-06

**Example 2:** Consider the linear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} - (x^2 - 2)y = 10\cos x - (x-1)^3 \sin x, \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1 \quad (50)$$

subject to

$$y(-1) = 2\sin 1, \quad y(1) = 0, \quad y'(-1) = -2\cos 1 - \sin 1, \quad y'(1) = \sin 1,$$

$$y''(-1) = 2\cos 1 - 2\sin 1, \quad y''(1) = 2\cos 1,$$

$$y'''(-1) = 2\cos 1 + 3\sin 1, \quad y'''(1) = -3\sin 1,$$

$$y^{(4)}(-1) = -4\cos 1 + 2\sin 1, \quad y^{(4)}(1) = -4\cos 1.$$

The exact solution for the above problem is  $y = (x-1)\sin x$ .

The proposed method is tested on this problem where the domain  $[-1, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals. The obtained numerical results for this problem are given in Table 2. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $1.725554 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Table 2:** Numerical results for Example 2

$x$	Absolute error by the proposed method
0.1	7.152557E-07
0.2	6.973743E-06
0.3	1.382828E-05
0.4	1.725554E-05
0.5	1.461588E-05
0.6	6.839633E-06
0.7	3.427267E-07
0.8	2.250075E-06
0.9	1.624227E-06

**Example 3:** Consider the linear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} + y^{(9)} + \sin x y^{(4)} + \cos x y''' + x^2 y = (2 + \sin x + \cos x + x^2)e^x, \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad (51)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) = 1, y(1) = e, y'(0) = 1, y'(1) = e, \\ y''(0) = 1, y''(1) = e, y'''(0) = 1, y'''(1) = e, \\ y^{(4)}(0) = 1, y^{(4)}(1) = e. \end{aligned}$$

The exact solution for the above problem is  $y = e^x$ .

The proposed method is tested on this problem where the domain  $[0, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals. The obtained numerical results for this problem are given in Table 3. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $8.916855 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Table 3:** Numerical results for Example 3

$x$	Absolute error by the proposed method
0.1	2.861023E-06
0.2	1.585484E-05
0.3	4.673004E-05
0.4	8.201599E-05
0.5	8.916855E-05
0.6	5.972385E-05
0.7	1.788139E-05
0.8	7.152557E-06
0.9	9.775162E-06

**Example 4:** Consider the nonlinear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} + e^{-x} y^2 = e^{-x} + e^{-3x}, \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad (52)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) = 1, y(1) = e^{-1}, y'(0) = -1, y'(1) = -e^{-1}, y''(0) = 1, y''(1) = e^{-1}, \\ y'''(0) = -1, y'''(1) = -e^{-1}, y^{(4)}(0) = 1, y^{(4)}(1) = e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The exact solution for the above problem is  $y = e^{-x}$ .

The nonlinear boundary value problem (52) is converted into a sequence of linear boundary value problems generated by quasilinearization technique [13] as

$$y_{(n+1)}^{(10)} + 2e^{-x} y_{(n)} y_{(n+1)} = e^{-x} y_{(n+1)}^2 + e^{-x} + e^{-3x}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (53)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(n+1)}(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}(1) = e^{-1}, y'_{(n+1)}(0) = -1, y'_{(n+1)}(1) = -e^{-1}, \\ y''_{(n+1)}(0) = 1, y''_{(n+1)}(1) = e^{-1}, y'''_{(n+1)}(0) = -1, y'''_{(n+1)}(1) = -e^{-1}, \\ y^{(4)}_{(n+1)}(0) = 1, y^{(4)}_{(n+1)}(1) = e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $y_{(n+1)}$  is the  $(n+1)^{th}$  approximation for  $y(x)$ . The domain  $[0, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals and the proposed method is applied to the sequence of linear problems (53). The obtained numerical results for this problem are presented in Table 4. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $2.998114 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Table 4:** Numerical results for Example 4

$X$	Absolute error by the proposed method
0.1	1.609325E-06
0.2	7.867813E-06
0.3	1.960993E-05
0.4	2.998114E-05
0.5	2.872944E-05
0.6	1.639128E-05
0.7	3.337860E-06
0.8	2.175570E-06
0.9	1.460314E-06

**Example 5:** Consider the nonlinear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} = \frac{14175}{4} (x + y + 1)^{11}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad (54)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) = 0, y(1) = 0, y'(0) = -0.5, y'(1) = 1, \\ y''(0) = 0.5, y''(1) = 4, y'''(0) = 0.75, y'''(1) = 12, \\ y^{(4)}(0) = 1.5, y^{(4)}(1) = 48. \end{aligned}$$

The exact solution for the above problem is

$$y = \frac{2}{2-x} - x - 1.$$

The nonlinear boundary value problem (54) is converted into a sequence of linear boundary value problems generated by quasilinearization technique [13] as

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(n+1)}^{(10)} - \frac{14175 \times 11}{4} (x + y_{(n)} + 1)^{10} y_{(n+1)} \\ = \frac{14175 \times 11}{4} (x + y_{(n)} + 1)^{10} (1 + x - 10y_{(n)}), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(n+1)}(0) = 0, y_{(n+1)}(1) = 0, y'_{(n+1)}(0) = -0.5, y'_{(n+1)}(1) = 1, \\ y''_{(n+1)}(0) = 0.5, y''_{(n+1)}(1) = 4, y'''_{(n+1)}(0) = 0.75, y'''_{(n+1)}(1) = 12, \\ y^{(4)}_{(n+1)}(0) = 1.5, y^{(4)}_{(n+1)}(1) = 48. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $y_{(n+1)}$  is the  $(n+1)^{th}$  approximation for  $y(x)$ . The domain  $[0, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals and the proposed method is applied to the sequence of linear problems (55). The obtained numerical results for this problem are presented in Table 5. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $6.258488 \times 10^{-6}$ .

0.3	4.577637E-05
0.4	7.903576E-05
0.5	8.428097E-05
0.6	5.435944E-05
0.7	1.430511E-05
0.8	8.106232E-06
0.9	9.775162E-06

**Table 5:** Numerical results for Example 5

$x$	Absolute error by the proposed method
0.1	1.490116E-07
0.2	9.238720E-07
0.3	2.965331E-06
0.4	5.558133E-06
0.5	6.258488E-06
0.6	4.455447E-06
0.7	1.817942E-06
0.8	1.788139E-07
0.9	1.192093E-07

**Example 6:** Consider the nonlinear boundary value problem

$$y^{(10)} + y^{(9)} + y^2 y^{(4)} + \cos y y' = (2 + e^{2x} + \cos(e^x))e^x, \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad (56)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y(0) = 1, y'(0) = e, y(1) = 1, y'(1) = e, \\ y''(0) = 1, y''(1) = e, y'''(0) = 1, y'''(1) = e, \\ y^{(4)}(0) = 1, y^{(4)}(1) = e. \end{aligned}$$

The exact solution for the above problem is  $y = e^x$ .

The nonlinear boundary value problem (56) is converted into a sequence of linear boundary value problems generated by quasilinearization technique [13] as

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(n+1)}^{(10)} + y_{(n+1)}^{(9)} + y_{(n)}^2 y_{(n+1)}^{(4)} + \cos(y_{(n)}) y_{(n+1)}' \\ + (2y_{(n)} y_{(n)}^{(4)} - \sin(y_{(n)}) y_{(n)}') y_{(n+1)} \\ = (2y_{(n)} y_{(n)}^{(4)} - \sin(y_{(n)}) y_{(n)}') y_{(n)} \\ + (2 + e^{2x} + \cos(e^x))e^x, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} y_{(n+1)}(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}(1) = e, y_{(n+1)}'(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}'(1) = e, \\ y_{(n+1)}''(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}''(1) = e, y_{(n+1)}'''(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}'''(1) = e, \\ y_{(n+1)}^{(4)}(0) = 1, y_{(n+1)}^{(4)}(1) = e. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $y_{(n+1)}$  is the  $(n+1)^{th}$  approximation for  $y(x)$ . The domain  $[0, 1]$  is divided into 10 equal subintervals and the proposed method is applied to the sequence of linear problems (57). The obtained numerical results for this problem are presented in Table 6. The maximum absolute error obtained by the proposed method is  $8.428097 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Table 6:** Numerical results for Example 6

$x$	Absolute error by the Proposed method
0.1	2.980232E-06
0.2	1.597404E-05

## 7. Conclusions

In this paper, we have employed a Petrov-Galerkin method with quintic B-splines as basis functions and septic B-splines as weight functions to solve tenth order boundary value problems with special case of boundary conditions. The quintic B-spline basis set has been redefined into a new set of basis functions which vanish on the boundary where the Dirichlet, the Neumann, second order derivative and third order derivative type of boundary conditions are prescribed. The septic B-splines are redefined into a new set of weight functions which in number match the number of redefined set of basis functions. The solution to a nonlinear problem has been obtained as the limit of a sequence of solution of linear problems generated by the quasilinearization technique [13]. The proposed method has been tested on three linear and three nonlinear tenth order boundary value problems. The numerical results obtained by the proposed method are in good agreement with the exact solutions available in the literature. The strength of the proposed method lies in its easy applicability, accurate and efficient to solve tenth order boundary value problems.

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