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• FE

(K, P, Σ)

$\Delta \quad P^{(1)}_{|K|} \quad \hookrightarrow L(\psi) = \{x_i\} \text{ f.ex.}$
(shape fct.)

• FD for Poisson on $\Omega = [0,1] \times [0,1]$:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

f, g given, $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy}$, $u = u(x,y) = ??$

FD approximation of u ?

• Quiz, feedback

Forward Diff.

Backward Diff.

$$u_{xx}(x,y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u_x(x,y)) \approx \frac{u_x(x+h,y) - u_x(x,y)}{h} \approx$$

$$\approx \frac{\frac{u(x+h,y) - u(x+h-h,y)}{h} - \frac{u(x,y) - u(x-h,y)}{h}}{h}$$

$$\approx \frac{u(x+h, y) - 2u(x, y) + u(x-h, y)}{h^2}$$

Similarly, we also get:

$$u_{yy} \approx \frac{u(x, y+h) - 2u(x, y) + u(x, y-h)}{h^2}$$

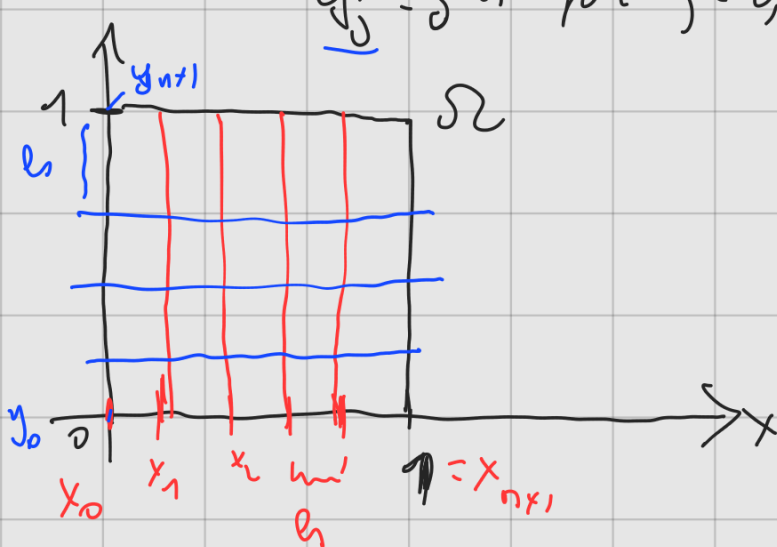
The above hence provides an approximation of Δu called the discrete Laplace operator (5-point star)

$$\underline{\Delta_h} u(x, y) = \frac{u(x+h, y) + u(x, y+h) - 4u(x, y) + u(x-h, y) + u(x, y-h)}{h^2}$$

In order to find a FD approx. of the solution to Poisson, we set a mesh size $h := \frac{1}{n+1}$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (large) and grids;

$$\underline{x_i} = i \cdot h \text{ for } i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n+1$$

$$u_i = i \cdot h \text{ for } i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n+1$$



Define $f_{ij} := f(x_i, y_j)$ and $g_{ij} := g(x_i, y_j)$.

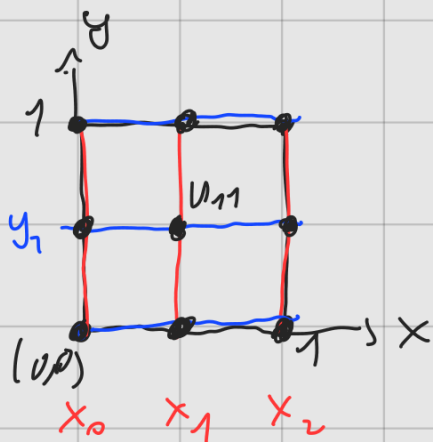
Set $u_{ij} \approx u(x_i, y_j)$ (approx. to exact sol. at grid point (x_i, y_j) :

$$\Delta_h u_{ij} = f_{ij}$$

Obs. This is a linear system of equations.

Ex: $n=1 \rightsquigarrow h = \frac{1}{2}$, $x_0=0, x_1=\frac{1}{2}, x_2=1$

$$y_0=0, y_1=\frac{1}{2}, y_2=1$$



$$\Delta_h u_{11} = f_{11} \quad \text{corresponds}$$

(using def of Δ_h) :

$$\frac{u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} - 4u_{1,1} + u_{0,1} + u_{1,0}}{h^2} = f_{1,1} \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} u_{1,1} \\ \updownarrow \\ \bullet \end{array} \right)$$

h^2 * known

(*) $\rightarrow$ due to the BC
 $u = g$ on $\partial\Omega$

The above is a "system of linear eq." for $u_{1,1}$ and provides the FD approx:

$$u_{1,1} = (h^2 f_{1,1} - (g_{2,1} + g_{1,2} + g_{0,1} + g_{1,0})) / (-4)$$

For $n > 1$, one gets the following linear syst. of eq.:

$$A\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{F},$$

where

$$A = \frac{1}{h^2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} -4 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 & 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 1 & -4 \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \dots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

block tridiagonal matrix ($n^2 \times n^2$)

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} \\ u_{12} \\ \vdots \\ u_{1n} \\ u_{21} \\ \vdots \\ u_{2n} \\ u_{m1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

unknown vector
($n^2 \times 1$)

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} f_{11} - \frac{1}{h^2} (p_1 + q_1) \\ f_{12} - \frac{1}{h^2} q_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_{1n} - \frac{1}{h^2} (q_n + \pi_1) \\ f_{21} - \frac{1}{h^2} p_2 \\ f_{22} \\ \vdots \\ f_{2n} - \frac{1}{h^2} \pi_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_{nn} - \frac{1}{h^2} (\pi_n + s_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$p_j = p(x_j), q_j = q(x_j),$$

$$\pi_j = \pi(x_j), s_j = s(x_j)$$

and

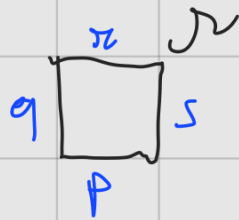
$$u(x, 0) = p(x)$$

$$u(0, y) = q(y)$$

$$u(x, 1) = r(x)$$

$$u(1, y) = s(y)$$

these are values at the boundary $\partial\Omega$



Solving the linear syst. $AU = F$ provides a FD approx. of u , the sol. to Poisson's eq. on square.

2) Convergence of FD:

Th. Assume that the sol. u to Poisson's eq. on unit square is in $C^4(\Omega)$. Denote the above FD approximation by $u_{ij} \approx u(x_i, y_j)$ ^{$\hookrightarrow$ const. diff.}. Then, one has the error estimate

$$\|u(x_i, y_j) - u_{ij}\|_{\infty} \leq C \cdot h^2,$$

$\rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$!

where $\|w\|_{\infty} = \max_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} |w_{ij}|$

Main ingredients for proof:

1) Truncation error: $\| \overset{\text{exact sol}}{\Delta_h u} - \overset{\text{numerical approx}}{\Delta_h U} \|_{\infty} \leq \dots \leq C \cdot h^2$

2) Discrete maximum principle

(If $\Delta_h u = 0 \Rightarrow u$ has it's max/min on $\partial\Omega, \dots$)

3) Poincaré-type inequality: $\|w\|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{8} \|\Delta_h w\|_\infty$

$$\|u(x_i, y_j) - u_{ij}\|_\infty \stackrel{(3)}{\leq} (C \cdot \|\Delta_h (u - u_{ij})\|_\infty \stackrel{(1)}{\leq} (C \cdot h^2$$

3) Generalisations:

- Higher order FD: need more information!



order 2



order 4

- Neumann or Robin BC Ok.

(1D) $\downarrow$
 $u'(0) = g$

$\times$
 $u'(0) + u(0) = g$

- Laplacian $\Delta \leadsto$ more general operators

(1D) $L(u) = u_{xx}(x) - u_x(x) + f(u, x)$

• Possible extension for other domains than

 , rectangle



FD

"VS"

FEM

classical/strong solutions

approximate of equation

"easy" to implement

"difficult" for complicated prob.

variational/weak solutions

approximate solution

"difficult" to implement

"easy" for complicated prob

