

Numerical solution of partial differential Equations

Elliptic Equations

Laplace's equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

(or)

$$\nabla^2 u = 0 \quad (\text{or})$$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$



Leibmann's iteration

process.

Poisson's eqn.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y)$$

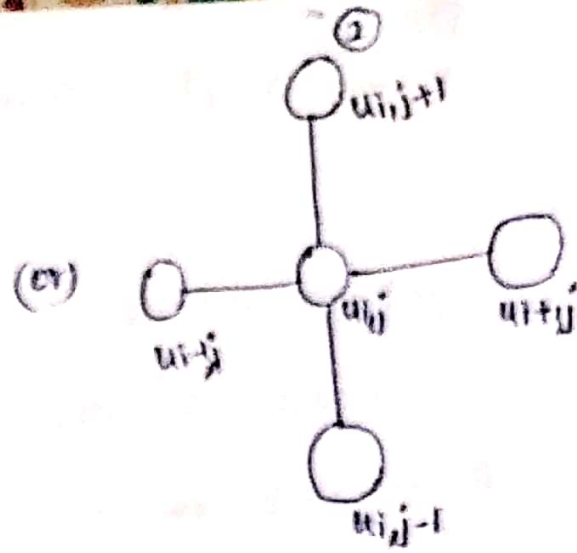
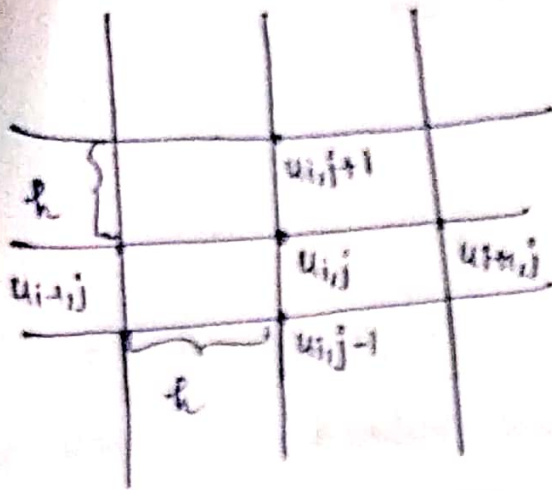
- ① The elliptic equation is ~~Laplace's eqn~~ Laplace's equation. i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{i.e., } \nabla^2 u = 0 \quad (\text{or}) \quad u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

The Standard five point formula

$$u_{i,j} = \frac{1}{4} [u_{i-1,j} + u_{i+1,j} + u_{i,j-1} + u_{i,j+1}]$$

i.e., the value of u at any interior point is the arithmetic mean of the values of u at the four lattice points.

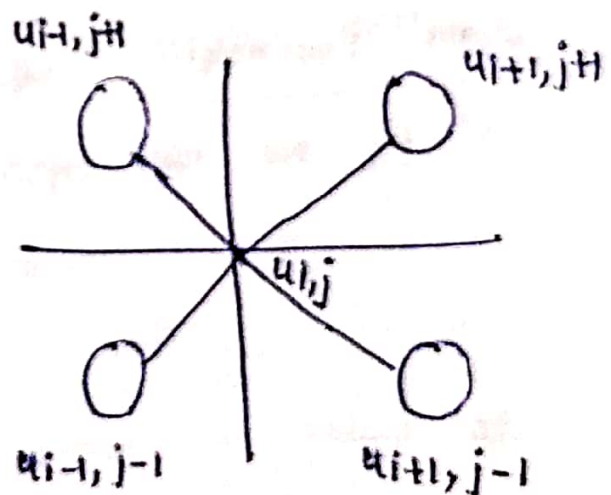
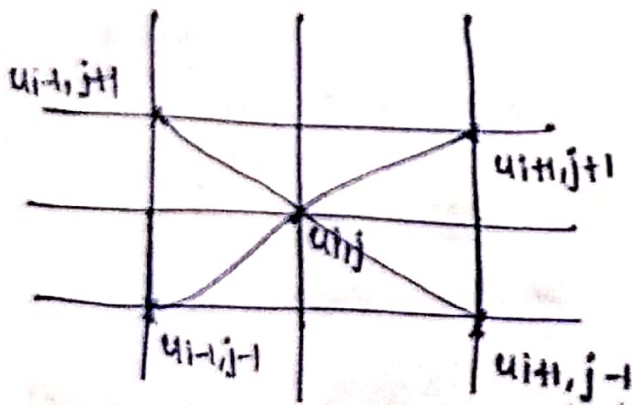


Schematic diagram.

Central value = Average of the other four values.

Diagonal five-point formula:

$$u_{i,j} = \frac{u_{i-1,j-1} + u_{i-1,j+1} + u_{i+1,j-1} + u_{i+1,j+1}}{4}$$



Schematic diagram of diagonal formula.

Note:-

The error in the diagonal formula is four times than the error in the standard formula.

Solution of Laplace's Equation (By Liebmann's iteration process)

To solve the Laplace's equation $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ in bounded square region R with a boundary C when the boundary values of u are given on the boundary.

Note :-

① The iteration formula is

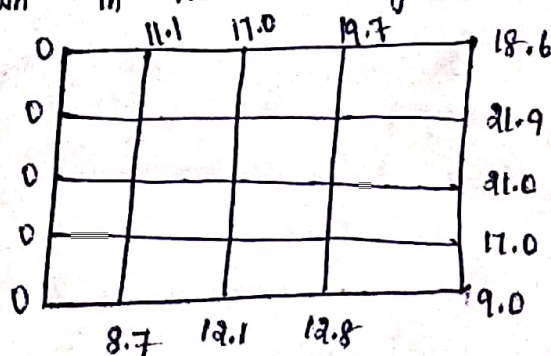
$$u_{i,j}^{(n+1)} = \frac{u_{i+1,j}^{(n)} + u_{i-1,j}^{(n+1)} + u_{i,j-1}^{(n)} + u_{i,j+1}^{(n+1)}}{4}$$

where the superscript of u denotes the iteration number.

The above eqn. is called Liebmann's iteration process. The process is stopped once, we get the values with desired accuracy.

Problems :-

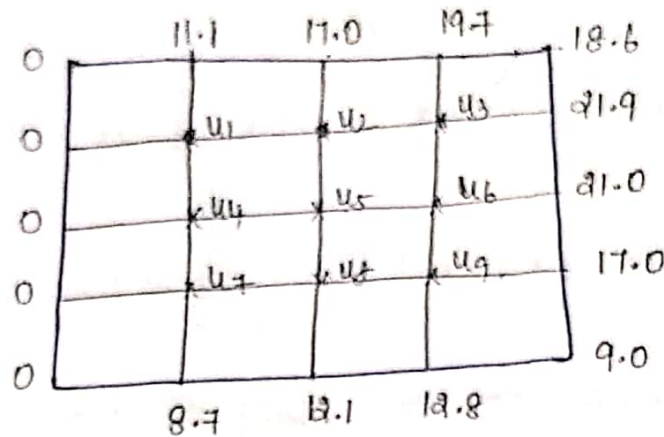
① Find by the Liebmann's method the values at the interior lattice points of a square region of the harmonic function u whose boundary values are as shown in the following figure.



Solution:-

Since u is harmonic, it satisfies Laplace equation. $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ in the square \rightarrow (1)

Let the interior values of u at the 9 grid points be u_1, u_2, \dots, u_9 . We will find the values of u at the interior mesh points.



Rough Values:-

Find u_5 first: $u_5 = \frac{1}{4} [0 + 21.0 + 12.1 + 17.0] = 12.5$ (SFPP)

Knowing u_5 , we find u_1, u_3, u_7, u_9 by using diagonal five point formula.

$$u_1 = \frac{0 + 17.0 + 0 + u_5}{4} = \frac{17.0 + 12.5}{4} = 7.4 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_3 = \frac{17.0 + 18.6 + u_5 + 21.0}{4} = \frac{17 + 18.6 + 12.5 + 21}{4} = 17.275 \approx 17.3 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_7 = \frac{0 + u_5 + 0 + 12.1}{4} = \frac{12.5 + 12.1}{4} = 6.2 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_9 = \frac{u_5 + 21 + 12.1 + 9}{4} = \frac{12.5 + 9 + 21 + 12.1}{4} = 13.7 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

The remaining 4 values u_2, u_4, u_6, u_8 can be got by using SFPP.

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_1 + u_3 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (7.4 + 17.3 + 6.2)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (17 + u_1 + u_3 + u_5) = \frac{1}{4} (17 + 7.4 + 17.3 + 12.5) = 13.6 \text{ (SFPP)}$$

$$u_4 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_5 + u_1 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (12.5 + 7.4 + 6.2) = 6.5 \text{ (SFPP)}$$

$$u_6 = \frac{1}{4} (u_5 + u_3 + 21 + u_9) = \frac{1}{4} (12.5 + 17.3 + 21 + 13.7) = 16.1 \text{ (SFPP)}$$

$$u_8 = \frac{1}{4} (u_5 + u_7 + u_9 + 12.1) = \frac{1}{4} (12.5 + 6.2 + 13.7 + 12.1) = 11.1 \text{ (SFPP)}$$

We will now improve the values by using always

SFPT.

First iteration:

$$u_1^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 11.1 + u_2 + u_4) = \frac{1}{4} (11.1 + 13.6 + 6.5) = 7.8$$

$$u_2^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_1^{(1)} + 17 + u_3 + u_5) = \frac{1}{4} (7.8 + 17 + 17.3 + 12.5) = 13.7$$

$$u_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_2^{(1)} + 19.7 + 21.9 + u_6) = \frac{1}{4} (13.7 + 19.7 + 21.9 + 16.1) = 17.9$$

$$u_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_1^{(1)} + u_5 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (7.8 + 12.5 + 6.2) = 6.6$$

$$u_5^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_4^{(1)} + u_2^{(1)} + u_6 + u_8) = \frac{1}{4} (6.6 + 13.7 + 16.1 + 11.1) = 11.9$$

$$u_6^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_5^{(1)} + 21 + u_3^{(1)} + u_9) = \frac{1}{4} (11.9 + 21 + 17.9 + 13.7) = 16.1$$

$$u_7^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_4^{(1)} + u_8 + 8.7) = \frac{1}{4} (6.6 + 11.1 + 8.7) = 6.6$$

$$u_8^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_5^{(1)} + u_7^{(1)} + u_9 + 12.1) = \frac{1}{4} (11.9 + 6.6 + 13.7 + 12.1) = 11.1$$

$$u_9^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_8^{(1)} + u_6^{(1)} + 17 + 12.8) = \frac{1}{4} (11.1 + 16.1 + 17 + 12.8) = 14.3$$

Second iteration

$$u_1^{(2)} = 7.9$$

$$u_2^{(2)} = 13.7$$

$$u_3^{(2)} = 17.9$$

$$u_4^{(2)} = 6.6$$

$$u_5^{(2)} = 11.9$$

$$u_6^{(2)} = 16.3$$

$$u_7^{(2)} = 6.6$$

$$u_8^{(2)} = 11.2$$

$$u_9^{(2)} = 14.3$$

Third iteration

$$u_1^{(3)} = 7.9$$

$$u_2^{(3)} = 13.7$$

$$u_3^{(3)} = 17.9$$

$$u_4^{(3)} = 6.6$$

$$u_5^{(3)} = 11.9$$

$$u_6^{(3)} = 16.3$$

$$u_7^{(3)} = 6.6$$

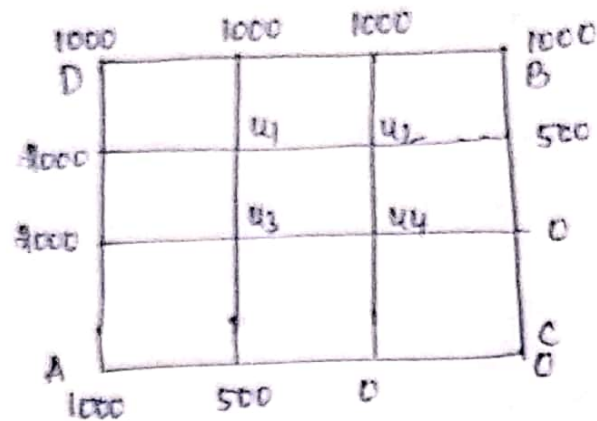
$$u_8^{(3)} = 11.2$$

$$u_9^{(3)} = 14.3$$

\therefore all the values of u of the third iteration are same as the corresponding values of the second iteration. Hence, we stop the procedure.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \therefore u_1 = 7.9 & u_2 = 13.7 & u_3 = 17.9 \\ u_4 = 6.6 & u_5 = 11.9 & u_6 = 16.3 \\ u_7 = 6.6 & u_8 = 11.2 & u_9 = 14.3 \end{array}$$

2) Evaluate the function $u(x,y)$ satisfying $\nabla^2 u = 0$ at the lattice points given the boundary values as follows:



Solution:

$$u_1 = \frac{1000 + 1000 + u_2 + u_3}{4}$$

$$4u_1 = u_2 + u_3 + 2000$$

$$4u_1 - u_2 - u_3 = 2000 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{u_1 + 1000 + 500 + u_4}{4}$$

$$4u_2 = u_1 + u_4 + 1500$$

$$4u_2 - u_1 - u_4 = 1500 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1000 + u_1 + u_4 + 500}{4}$$

$$4u_3 = 1500 + u_1 + u_4$$

$$4u_3 - u_1 - u_4 = 1500 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$u_4 = \frac{0 + 0 + u_3 + u_2}{4}$$

$$4u_4 = u_3 + u_2$$

$$4u_4 - u_3 - u_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$4u_1 - u_2 - u_3 = 3000 \longrightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

$$u_1 - 4u_2 + u_4 = -1500 \longrightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

$$u_1 - 4u_3 + u_4 = -2500 \longrightarrow \textcircled{7}$$

$$u_2 + u_3 - 4u_4 = 0 \longrightarrow \textcircled{8}$$

Solve above eqn by elimination method,

we get

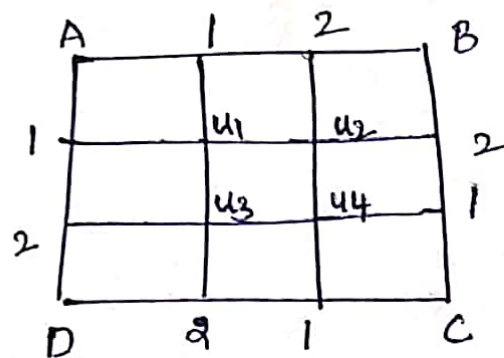
$$u_1 = 1808.4$$

$$u_2 = 791.7$$

$$u_3 = 1041.7$$

$$u_4 = 458.4$$

③ Solve $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ for the following square mesh with boundary conditions as shown below.

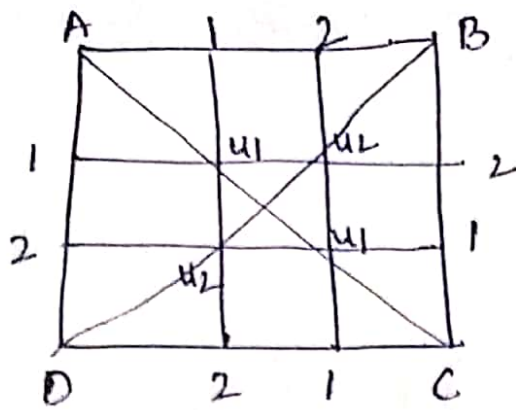


Soln: we see that it is symmetrical about the diagonals AC & BD.

Let u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 be the values at the interior grid points.

By symmetry, $u_1 = u_4$ & $u_3 = u_2$.

\therefore we need to find only two values u_1 & u_2 .



$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (1+1+u_2+u_2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (2+2u_2) = \frac{1}{2} (1+u_2)$$

$$2u_1 - u_2 = 1 \longrightarrow (1)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1+2+2+u_1) = \frac{1}{4} (4+2u_1) = \frac{1}{2} (2+u_1)$$

$$2u_2 - u_1 = 2 \longrightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \cancel{2u_1} - u_2 = 1$$

$$(2) \times 2 \Rightarrow 4u_2 - \cancel{2u_1} = 4$$

$$\hline 3u_2 = 5$$

$$u_2 = 5/3 = 1.6666$$

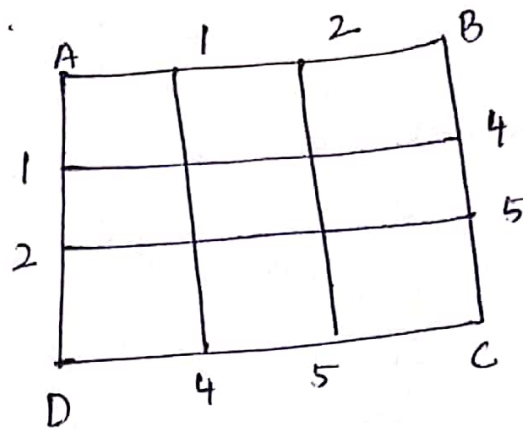
$$(1) \times 2 \Rightarrow 4u_1 - \cancel{2u_2} = 2$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \cancel{2u_2} - u_1 = 2$$

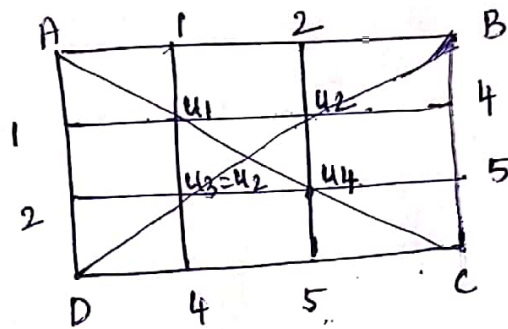
$$\hline 3u_1 = 4$$

$$u_1 = 4/3 = 1.3333$$

- ④ Solve $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ for the following square mesh with boundary values as shown in the figure below.



Soln:- The boundary values are symmetrical about the diagonal AC but not about BD.



By symmetry, $u_2 = u_3$; $u_1 \neq u_4$.
we need to find u_1, u_2, u_4 only.

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (1 + 1 + u_2 + u_2) = \frac{1}{4} (2 + 2u_2) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + u_2)$$

$$2u_1 - u_2 = 1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1 + 2 + 4 + u_4) = \frac{1}{4} (6 + u_1 + u_4)$$

$$4u_2 = u_1 + u_4 + 6 \Rightarrow 4u_2 - u_1 - u_4 = 6 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$u_4 = \frac{1}{4} (u_2 + u_2 + 5 + 5) = \frac{1}{4} (2u_2 + 10) = \frac{1}{2} (u_2 + 5)$$

$$2u_4 = u_2 + 5 \Rightarrow 2u_4 - u_2 = 5 \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

* Solve $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}$ and $\textcircled{3}$
we get

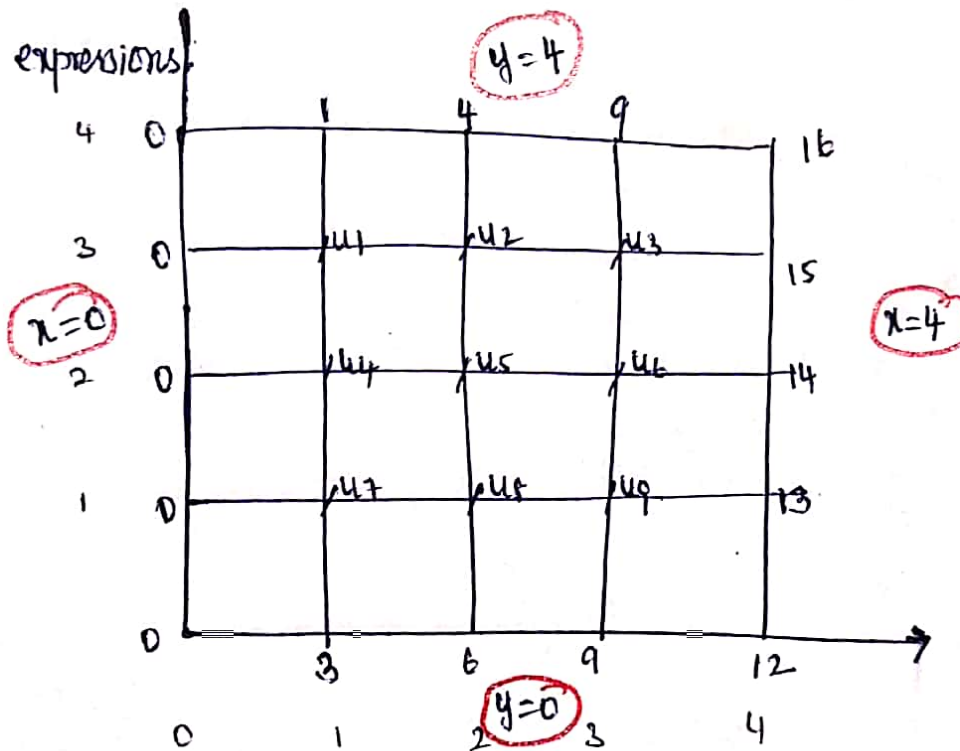
$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= 2 \\ u_2 &= 3 \\ u_4 &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

5)

Solve $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ over the square mesh of side 4 units. Satisfying the following boundary conditions:

- (i) $u(0, y) = 0$ for $0 \leq y \leq 4$.
- (ii) $u(4, y) = 12 + y$ for $0 \leq y \leq 4$
- (iii) $u(x, 0) = 3x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 4$
- (iv) $u(x, 4) = x^2$ for $0 \leq x \leq 4$.

Soln:- we divide the square mesh into 16 sub-squares of side 1 unit and calculate the numerical values of u on the boundary using given analytical expressions.



(i) $u(0, 1) = 0$
 $u(0, 2) = 0$
 $u(0, 3) = 0$
 $u(0, 4) = 0$
 $u(0, 0) = 0$

(ii) $u(4, 1) = 13$
 $u(4, 2) = 14$
 $u(4, 3) = 15$
 $u(4, 4) = 16$
 $u(4, 0) = 12$

(iii) $u(0, 0) = 0$
 $u(1, 0) = 3$
 $u(2, 0) = 6$
 $u(3, 0) = 9$
 $u(4, 0) = 12$

(iv) $u(0, 4) = 0$
 $u(1, 4) = 1$
 $u(2, 4) = 4$
 $u(3, 4) = 9$
 $u(4, 4) = 16$

Rough values

$$u_5 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 4 + 14 + 6) = 6 \quad (\text{SFPP})$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 4 + 0 + u_5) = \frac{1}{4} (4 + 6) = 2.5 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (u_5 + 14 + 4 + 0) = \frac{1}{4} (16 + 14 + 4 + 0) = 10 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_7 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 6 + u_5 + 0) = \frac{1}{4} (6 + 6) = 3 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

$$u_9 = \frac{1}{4} (u_5 + 14 + 6 + 12) = \frac{1}{4} (6 + 14 + 6 + 12) = 9.5 \quad (\text{DFPF})$$

We use SFPP to get the other values of u .

$$u_8 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1 + 4 + u_3 + u_5) = \frac{1}{4} (2.5 + 4 + 10 + 6) = 5.625 \quad (\text{SFPP})$$

$$u_4 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_5 + u_1 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (6 + 2.5 + 3) = 3.125 \quad (\text{SFPP})$$

$$u_6 = \frac{1}{4} (u_5 + u_3 + 14 + u_9) = \frac{1}{4} (6 + 10 + 14 + 9.5) = 9.875 \quad (\text{SFPP})$$

$$u_8 = \frac{1}{4} (u_7 + u_5 + u_9 + 6) = \frac{1}{4} (3 + 6 + 9.5 + 6) = 6.125 \quad (\text{SFPP})$$

Now we proceed for iteration using always SFPP.

First iteration

$$u_1^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 1 + u_2 + u_4) = \frac{1}{4} (1 + 5.625 + 3.125) = 2.4375$$

$$u_2^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_1^{(1)} + u_3 + 4 + u_5) =$$

$$\frac{1}{4} (2.4375 + 10 + 4 + 6) = 5.6094$$

$$u_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_2^{(1)} + 9 + 15 + u_6) = \frac{1}{4} (5.6094 + 9 + 15 + 9.875) = 9.8711$$

$$u_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_1^{(1)} + u_5 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (2.4375 + 6 + 3) = 2.8594$$

$$u_5^{(1)} = 6.1172$$

$$u_8^{(1)} = 6.153$$

$$u_6^{(1)} = 9.8721$$

$$u_9^{(1)} = 9.5063$$

$$u_7^{(1)} = 2.9948$$

Second iteration :

$$u_1^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 1 + u_2^{(1)} + u_4^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{4} (1 + 5.6094 + 2.8594) = 2.3672$$

$$u_2^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_1^{(2)} + u_3^{(1)} + 4 + u_5^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{4} (2.3672 + 9.8711 + 4 + 6.1172) = 5.5888$$

$$u_3^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4} (u_2^{(2)} + 9 + 15 + u_6^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{4} (5.5888 + 9 + 15 + 9.8721) = 9.8652$$

$$u_4^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4} (0 + u_1^{(2)} + u_5^{(1)} + u_7^{(1)}) = \frac{1}{4} (2.3672 + 6.1172 + 2.9948) = 2.8698$$

$$u_5^{(2)} = 6.1209$$

$$u_8^{(2)} = 6.1582$$

$$u_6^{(2)} = 9.8731$$

$$u_9^{(2)} = 9.5078$$

$$u_7^{(2)} = 3.0057$$

\therefore we conclude correct to one decimal places, we get

$$u_1 = 2.4$$

$$u_4 = 2.9$$

$$u_7 = 3.00$$

$$u_2 = 5.6$$

$$u_5 = 6.1$$

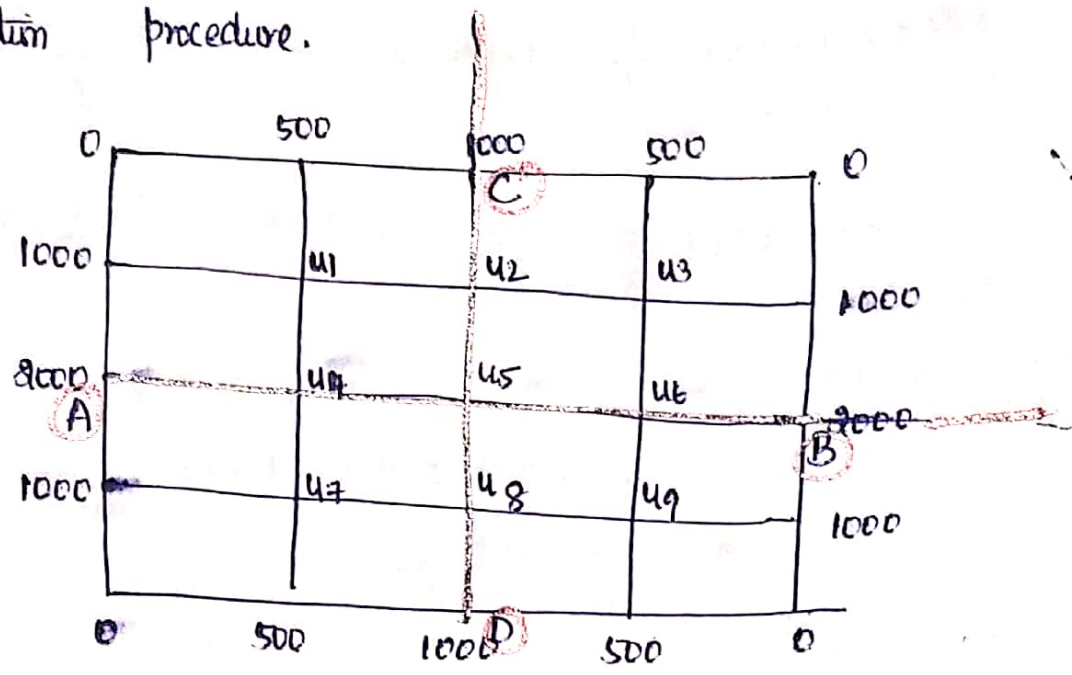
$$u_8 = 6.2$$

$$u_3 = 9.9$$

$$u_6 = 9.9$$

$$u_9 = 9.5$$

6) solve the equation $\nabla^2 u = 0$ for the following mesh with boundary values as shown, using Leibmann's iteration procedure.



Soln:- Take the central horizontal & vertical lines as AB & CD.

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_9 be the values of u at the interior grid points of the mesh.

The values of u on the boundary are symmetrical w.r to the lines AB & CD

\therefore Along line AB, $u_1 = u_7, u_2 = u_8, u_3 = u_9$

Along line CD, $u_1 = u_3, u_4 = u_6, u_7 = u_9$

$\therefore u_1 = u_7 = u_9 = u_3; u_2 = u_8; u_4 = u_6$ &

u_5 is not equal to any value.

\therefore It is enough if we find u_1, u_2, u_4, u_5

Rough values:

(15)

$$u_5 = \frac{1}{4} (2000 + 2000 + 1000 + 1000) = 1500 \text{ (SFPP)}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 1000 + 2000 + u_5) = \frac{1}{4} (1000 + 2000 + 1500) = 1125 \text{ (DFPF)}$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1 + 1000 + u_5 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (1125 + 1000 + 1125 + 1500) = 1187.5 \text{ (SFPP) } (\because u_1 = u_3)$$

$$u_4 = \frac{1}{4} (2000 + u_1 + u_5 + u_7) = \frac{1}{4} (2000 + 1500 + 1125 + 1125) = 1437.5 \text{ (SFPP) } (\because u_1 = u_7)$$

Hereafter, we use only SFPP.

Ans:

$$\therefore u_1 = 937.6 \quad u_2 = 1000.1 \quad u_3 = 1250.1$$

$$u_4 = 1128.1$$