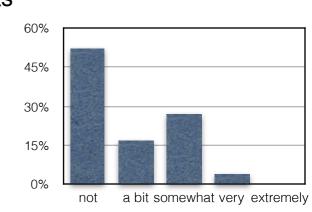
Muddiest Points from Class 02/13

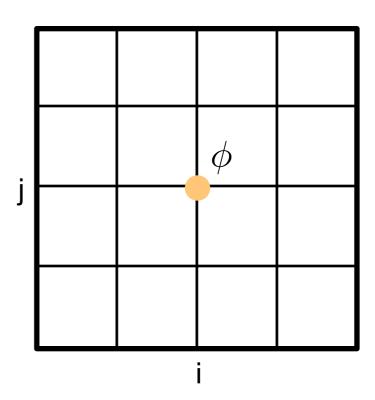
- "In the V-Cycle iteration method, while returning back to the finer mesh, why did we run the loop only till the second to last term and not till the last term?"
 - the solution variable phi is usually a separate variable and not stored in the solution array eps used in the loop.
 - to not do 2 consecutive Gauss-Seidel steps on the fine mesh (one in the loop, the next at the start of the next V-cycle iteration)
- "Just to clarify, are we allowed to use dynamic memory allocation if we are comfortable with it, or are we restricted to using the alternative method presented on slide 2?"
 - Use dynamic memory allocation if you like. You can also code the methods with recursive function/subroutine calls.
- "You mentioned that the V cycle shown was a single iteration. Do you mean that was a single iteration at a single mesh point?"
 - No it was a single V-cycle iteration for all mesh points.
- "since the coarser meshes would make convergence faster, why the V-cycle starts from finest meshes? wouldn't it slow down the iteration?"
 - If we have a good initial guess for the solution phi, then starting with a fine mesh is more efficient
- "What exactly does "p" represent? Is it the number of levels you can move in your coarsening procedure? For example, to coarsen
 from 32 to 2, would p=5?"
 - Yes, the levels of meshes one can have up to the coarsest possible mesh with 2 elements
- "What are the situations where Gauss-Seidel Multi-grid is preferable to SOR and vice-versa? Or is multi-grid always going to be a better choice?"
 - Multigrid is preferable in 99.99% of the cases.



Next: Let's revisit meshing

- until now, we have used the following meshes
 - variables are located at the intersection of grid lines

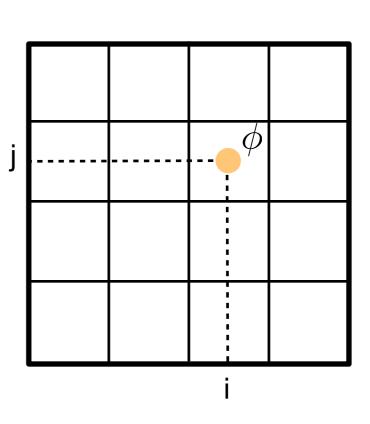
node based mesh



- but, we could also locate variables @ cell centers!

cell centered mesh

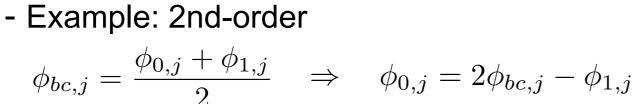
- index i,j refers to cell (element) center



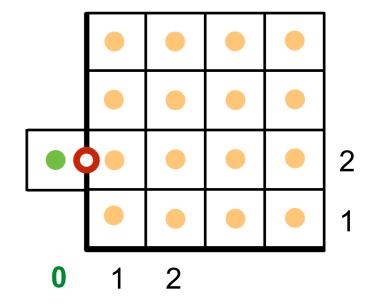
How do cell centered meshes impact boundary conditions?

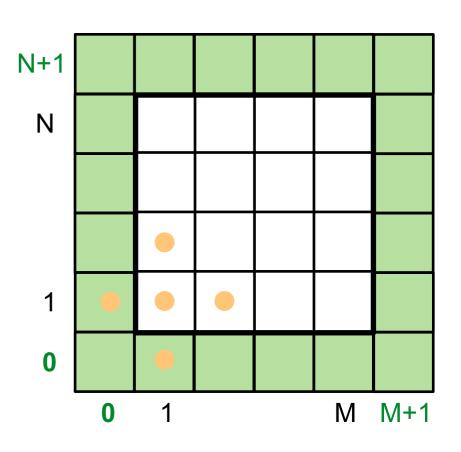
• Dirichlet boundary:

- there's no longer a variable located on the boundary to set to the given Dirichlet value
- Trick: add a "virtual" **ghost cell** outside the boundary
- choose the ghost cells' value such that an interpolation to the boundary location with appropriate order is equal to the Dirichlet value



- extends the mesh by a layer of ghost cells all around phi(0:M+1,0:N+1)
- Benefit: can use regular stencil even adjacent to boundaries with ghost cell values





How do cell centered meshes impact boundary conditions?

Neumann boundary:

- Trick: use ghost cell value to calculate derivative on the boundary
 - Example: 2nd-order

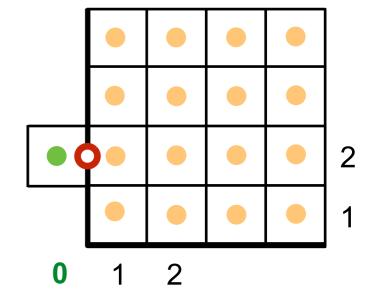
$$\left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right|_{bc,j} = \frac{\phi_{1,j} - \phi_{0,j}}{2\frac{h}{2}} + O(h^2)$$

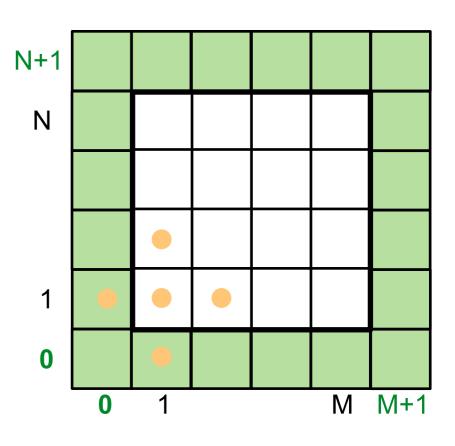
$$\Rightarrow \phi_{0,j} = \phi_{1,j} - h \left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right|_{bc}$$

- this sets the ghost cell value!
- Again: can use regular stencil even adjacent to boundaries with ghost cell values
- for higher order, add additional ghost cells

Solution procedure for cell centered meshes

- update interior cells (j=1:N, i=1:M)
- after all interior cells are updated, directly calculate ghost cell values with updated interior values

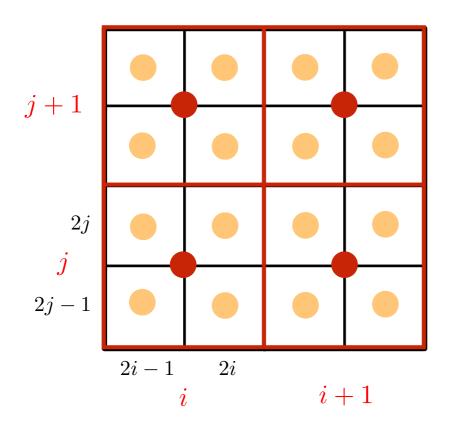




- Small drawback: ghost cells in Gauss-Seidel are not updated and thus may lag one iteration

How do cell centered meshes impact Multigrid methods?

Prolongation



here: i,j are coarse grid indices

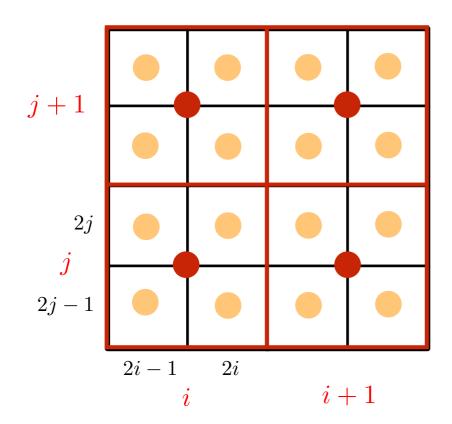
Option #1: Constant "interpolation"

$$\epsilon_{2i-1:2i,2j-1:2j}^{2h\to h} = \epsilon_i^{2h} \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, M^{2h}, \ j = 1, 2, \dots, M^{2h}$$

Option #2: Bilinear interpolation

How do cell centered meshes impact Multigrid methods?

• Restriction (needs to be adjoint of Prolongation)



here: i,j are coarse grid indices

Option #1: Adjoint to constant "interpolation"

$$r_{i,j}^{h\to 2h} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{j'=2j-1}^{2j} \sum_{i'=2i-1}^{2i} r_{i',j'}^{h} \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, M^{2h}, \ j = 1, 2, \dots, M^{2h}$$

Option #2: Adjoint to bilinear interpolation

• Finally, a comment on Poisson equation with all Neumann boundaries

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y) \qquad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} \bigg|_{bc} = g(x, y)$$

- if $\phi(x,y)$ is a solution, so is $\phi(x,y) + const$
- iterative solution may "drift"
- this is usually not a problem for convergence checks, since these use the residual

$$r(x,y) = f(x,y) - \left(\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2}\right)$$

- but, excessive "drift" may cause finite precision problems, since it can lead to differences of large numbers
- Fix: subtract the mean of ϕ from ϕ after convergence or after some number of iterations

$$\phi_{i,j} \to \phi_{i,j} - \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \phi_{i,j}$$

Challenge Question:

Solve
$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} = \sin(x)$$
 on domain $0 \le x \le 2\pi$ with bc $\varphi(0) = \varphi(2\pi) = 0$

with second order central differences using Gauss-Seidel and initial guess $\, \varphi^{(0)} = 0 \,$

Question: Is the exact solution to the PDE $\varphi(x) = -\sin(x)$ the solution to the Gauss-Seidel method after infinitely many iterations?

A: Yes

B: No

C: No Idea

Show of Hands

Discuss (1-2mins). (also discuss why)

Show of Hands

Second Model Problem: Parabolic Equations

1D heat equation

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2}$$
 with $\varphi = \varphi(x, t)$

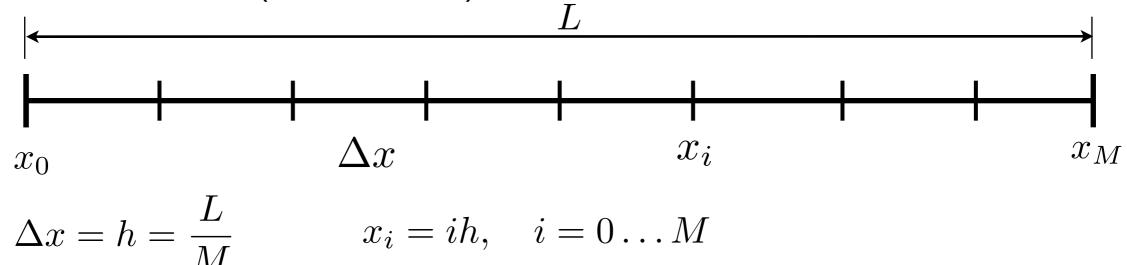
boundary conditions: $\varphi(x=0,t)=\varphi(x=L,t)=0$

initial condition: $\varphi(x, t = 0) = g(x)$

Step 1: Define solution domain

$$0 \le x \le L$$

Step 2: Define mesh (node based)



Second Model Problem: Parabolic Equations $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2}$

Step 3: Approximate spatial derivatives

for example: 2nd-order central:

$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \right|_i = \frac{\varphi_{i+1} - 2\varphi_i + \varphi_{i-1}}{h^2} + O(\Delta h^2)$$

Step 4: Substitute into PDE

$$\left. \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \right|_{i} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1} - 2\varphi_i + \varphi_{i-1} \right) \quad \Rightarrow \text{now an ODE!}$$

Step 5: Incorporate boundary conditions

$$\varphi(x=0,t) = \varphi(x=L,t) = 0 \implies \varphi_0 = \varphi_M = 0$$

Second Model Problem: Parabolic Equations $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2}$

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Step 6: Matrix form (only for illustration, never code!)

$$\left. \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \right|_{i} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1} - 2\varphi_i + \varphi_{i-1} \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \\ \varphi_3 \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_{M-3} \\ \varphi_{M-2} \\ \varphi_{M-1} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \\ \varphi_3 \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_{M-3} \\ \varphi_{M-2} \\ \varphi_{M-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

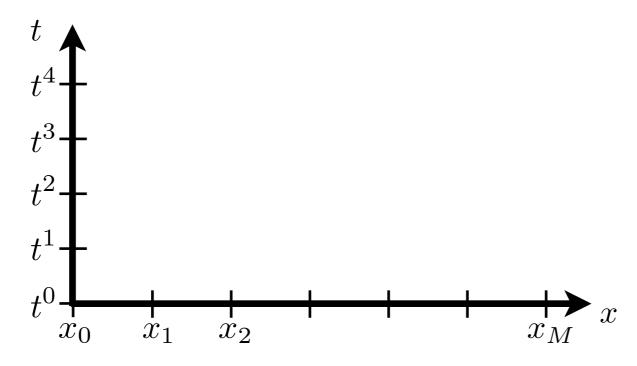
$$\frac{d\vec{\varphi}}{dt} = A\vec{\varphi} \qquad \Rightarrow \text{semi-discrete form} \Rightarrow \text{many ODEs}$$
 never solve this directly

Second Model Problem: Parabolic Equations

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2}$$

Step 7: Solve (but how?)

• discretize in time: $t^n = n\Delta t$, n = 0, 1, 2, ...



- ullet use finite difference approximation for $\left. rac{d arphi}{dt}
 ight|_i$
 - for example: 1st-order forward

$$\frac{d\varphi}{dt}\Big|_{i}^{n} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\varphi_{i}^{n+1} - \varphi_{i}^{n}\right)$$

stencil: $\int_{t^{n-1}}^{t^{n+1}} t^n$

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Step 7: Solve (but how?)

substitute into ODE

$$\left. \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \right|_{i} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1} - 2\varphi_i + \varphi_{i-1} \right)$$

$$\frac{d\varphi}{dt}\bigg|_{i}^{n} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\varphi_{i}^{n+1} - \varphi_{i}^{n}\right)$$

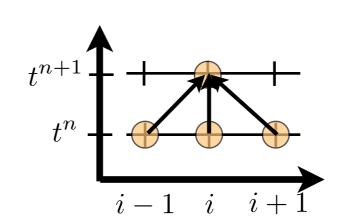
$$\frac{\varphi_i^{n+1} - \varphi_i^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1}^{\mathbf{n}} - 2\varphi_i^{\mathbf{n}} + \varphi_{i-1}^{\mathbf{n}} \right)$$

$$\varphi_i^{n+1} = \varphi_i^n + \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1}^n - 2\varphi_i^n + \varphi_{i-1}^n \right)$$

FTCS

Forward Time
Central Space

- FTCS expresses a single unknown, φ_i^{n+1} , as a function of only knowns!
 - \Rightarrow feature of <u>explicit</u> methods solution at t^{n+1} depends only on solution at t^n

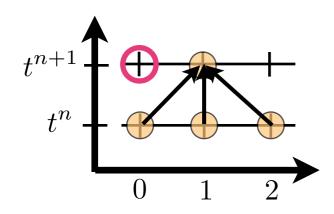


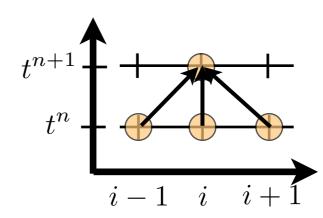
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Step 7: Solve (but how?)

BUT: problem at boundary





boundary point (bc) does not influence the solution at same t!

- boundaries lag by one time step
- this violates characteristics of parabolic equations

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Step 7: Solve (but how?)

Alternative: use backwards time difference: Laasonen Method (BTCS)

$$\frac{d\varphi}{dt}\Big|_{i}^{n+1} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\varphi_{i}^{n+1} - \varphi_{i}^{n}\right) \qquad \frac{d\varphi}{dt}\Big|_{i} = \frac{\alpha}{h^{2}} \left(\varphi_{i+1} - 2\varphi_{i} + \varphi_{i-1}\right)$$

$$\frac{\varphi_i^{n+1} - \varphi_i^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha}{h^2} \left(\varphi_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2\varphi_i^{n+1} + \varphi_{i-1}^{n+1} \right)$$

Problem: no longer explicit, but now implicit

- gather all n+1 terms on left hand side

$$\frac{\alpha \Delta t}{h^2} \varphi_{i-1}^{n+1} - \left(1 + 2\frac{\alpha \Delta t}{h^2}\right) \varphi_i^{n+1} + \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{h^2} \varphi_{i+1}^{n+1} = -\varphi_i^n$$

- $\Rightarrow \quad a_i^n \varphi_{i-1}^{n+1} + b_i^n \varphi_i^{n+1} + c_i^n \varphi_{i+1}^{n+1} = d_i^n \quad \Rightarrow \text{tri-diagonal system} \\ \Rightarrow \text{solve directly using Gauss (see Class 5)}$
 - ⇒ much more work than FTCS! So, what's the benefit?
 - ⇒ need to discuss accuracy, stability, and consistency

Definitions:

1.Consistency: numerical approximation approaches PDE as

$$\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta t \to 0$$

2.Stability: numerical solution remains bounded

3.Convergence: numerical solution approaches PDE solution as

$$\Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta t \rightarrow 0$$

turns out if 1. and 2. are true, then 3. is true for linear, well posed initial value problems