

Physics 325 — Scientific Computing — Fall 2016 — Lab 08

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Exercise 1. Laplace Equation

Solve the Laplace Equation in two dimensions for a region defined by $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$. Let the boundaries be given by $\phi(x, 1) = \phi(1, y) = 10.0$, $\phi(x, 0) = \phi(0, y) = 0.0$. Use at least 100 points per dimension. Plot and save a contour plot for the region containing at least 10 labeled contour levels. You may have to investigate the options to `matplotlib.pyplot.contour`. (10 points)

Exercise 2. Interpolation

Suppose that someone was interesting in finding the value of the potential at any y value for $x=0.5$ (centered vertical line) for the potential you calculated in Exercise 1. Use the Python `scipy.interpolate.interp1d` function to create a function that will provide the desired potential value and test on a non-grid point. (10 points)