



Programming Assignment #1 : Solving Laplace and Poisson's Equation

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1. OVERVIEW

There are many physical phenomena in physics and engineering that require linear and non-linear partial differential equations to describe the true nature of the system. Solving these systems analytically and finding exact solutions for these equations can be difficult and often require simplifications that ultimately don't fully represent the problem being investigated. Numerical methods for solving PDEs provide a means of finding approximations to the exact solutions without having to make sacrificial simplifications. With recent advancements in computational technology, numerical methods can now be easily applied to large and difficult problems that would otherwise be impossible to solve.

1.1. THEORY

Numerical problems are essentially solved by breaking the entire solution domain into small discrete points (mesh) and finding the solution at or around these areas. Each point requires solving the differential equations that represent the physical phenomenon being investigated. Since the exact solution cannot be computed, it is instead approximated using various techniques and methods. The most common methods are finite difference, finite element, and finite volume. A program was created to numerically solve Laplace and Poisson steady state problems. The program will implement a 2nd order finite volume method. For each volume cell, the net flux will be calculated and used to evaluate the solution at that cell.

$$\frac{\bar{P}_{i+1,j} - 2\bar{P}_{i,j} + \bar{P}_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{\bar{P}_{i,j+1} - 2\bar{P}_{i,j} + \bar{P}_{i,j-1}}{\Delta y^2} = S_{i,j} \quad (1.1)$$

The flux integral is approximated using the control volume averages from surrounding cells. The solution is computed for each cell using the discretized equation 1.1. $S_{i,j}$ is the source term and $\bar{P}_{i,j}$ is the new solution at i, j that is calculated based on surrounding cells $\bar{P}_{i+1,j}$, $\bar{P}_{i-1,j}$, $\bar{P}_{i,j+1}$ and $\bar{P}_{i,j-1}$.

2. IMPLEMENTATION

2.1. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The C/C++ language was selected for this programming assignment. The scripts were compiled using g++/gcc version 5.4.0 on Ubuntu 16.04.02 and are available in the attached zip or for clone via the link provided: <https://github.com/j16out/cfd510>. The program itself is broken into 3 pieces and two levels to produce a modular set that makes it easier to apply to different problems. The highest level contains the "macro" or the main function which can be modified for different problems. The numerical directory contains numerical.cpp script and its header file numerical.hpp. This set contains all the functions necessary for solving the problem numerically. Table 2.1 displays all functions with a short description of each. The vroot directory contains the scripts necessary for drawing data. These scripts make use of the ROOT-v6 libraries. ROOT is a popular data analysis framework primarily

written in C++ and Python. For more information on ROOT libraries visit the link provided: <https://root.cern.ch/>.

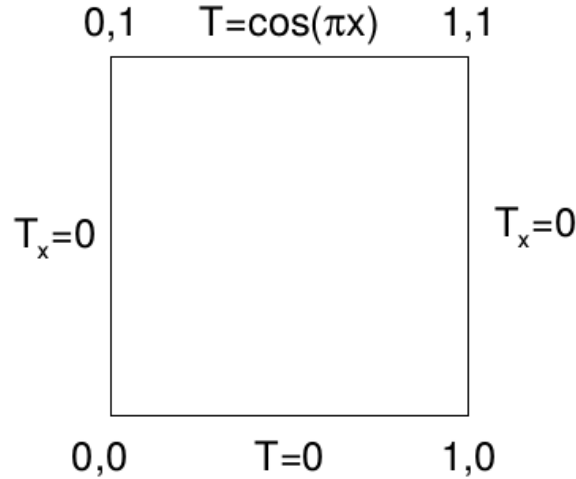
Function	Purpose
set_array_size()	Set size of array if not default(160x160)
set_ghostcells()	Set Ghost cells and update boundary conditions
set_zero()	Zero entire array including ghost cells
print_array()	Prints array in terminal style output
gs_iter_SOR()	Performs single Gauss-Seidel iteration with over-relaxation, over first in y then x
calc_source()	Calculates the source term for the problem
calc_newcell()	Calculates new solution at single grid point
get_surcells()	Gets current solution of neighboring cells
solve_arraySOR()	Solves for solution by performing many GS-iterations until defined convergence is met
get_discrete_Error()	Returns error for solution at $P(1/2,1/2)$ for Poisson Problem
get_solution()	Returns Solution at $P(1/2,1/2)$ for Poisson Problem via averaging scheme
get_l2norm()	Returns estimated L^2 norm error between two meshes for Poisson problem

Table 2.1: List of Program Functions

The functions act on a structure called *carray* which contains the solution domain array and its various parameters. The Struct contains the main array, its defined working area (mesh size), data storage vectors, iteration count, and the represented dimension between points. Having these organized in a struct provides a compact way of passing and modifying the array and all its pertinent parameters.

2.2. LAPLACE PROBLEM

The program was used to solve and find solutions to the Laplace equation with mixed boundary conditions. The exact solution to this problem is written as $T(x, y)$ which will enabled a comparison for solution error assessment. A diagram shows the problem at hand in figure 2.1

$$T(x, y) = \frac{\cos(\pi x) \sinh(\pi y)}{\sinh \pi}$$


The diagram shows a unit square domain with vertices at (0,0), (1,0), (1,1), and (0,1). The boundary conditions are mixed: the top boundary is Dirichlet with $T = \cos(\pi x)$, the bottom boundary is Dirichlet with $T = 0$, and the left and right boundaries are Neumann with $T_x = 0$.

Figure 2.1: Problem uses the Laplace equation with mixed boundary conditions, The exact solution to this problem is written as $T(x, y)$

2.3. ITERATION SCHEME

A Gauss-Seidel routine was implemented to solve the system of equations approximating the solution at each grid point which is denoted as function `gs_iter_SOR()`. The routine starts from grid point 0,0 and iterates first through all j for steps of i and then through all i for steps of j . Each time the routine calculates a new value it updates and reapplies the boundary conditions. No difference was noticed when boundaries conditions were only applied one per iteration, which means it could be moved outside the subroutines to reduce computation steps. Additionally the function determines the maximum solution change for each iteration. The function `solve_arraySOR()` reiterates the Gauss-Seidel routine until the maximum solution change is below the define threshold. The `gs_iter_SOR()` routine has the ability to perform over-relaxation given parameter ω for values greater than 1. An ω value of 1 indicates over-relaxation is not being implemented as there is no amplification effect.

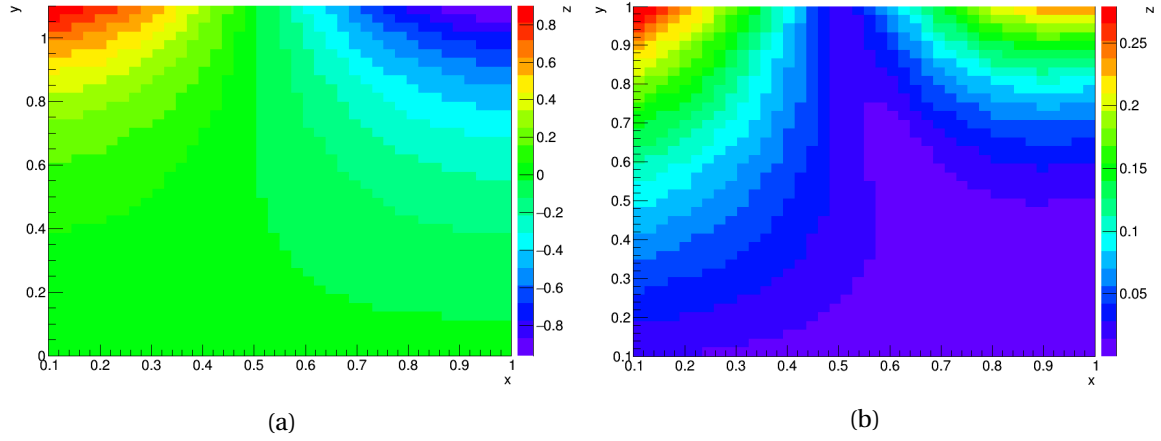


Figure 2.2: The Numerical Solution (a) and Solution Error (b) to Laplace Problem for 10x10 mesh

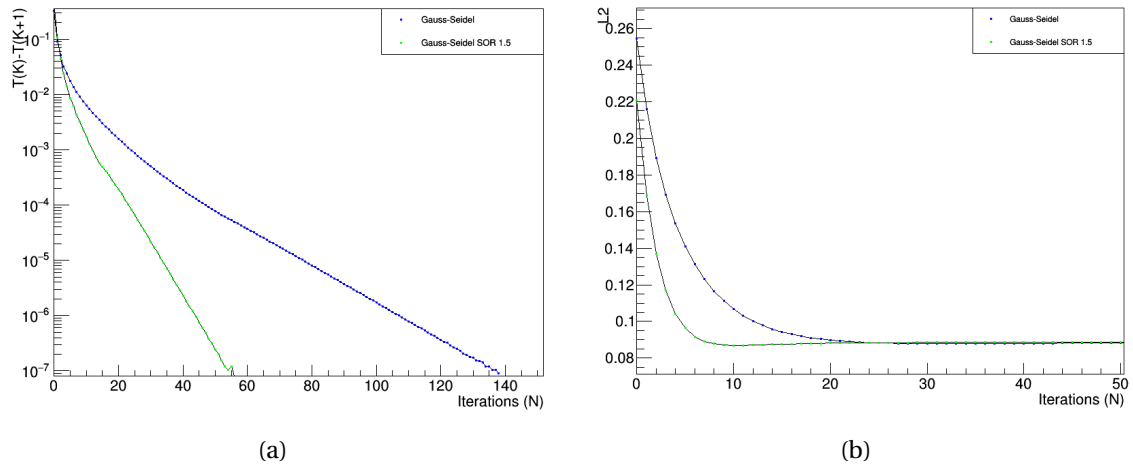


Figure 2.3: Maximum solution difference (a), and the L^2 norm of the error in converged solution (b) for $\omega = 1, 1.5$ for a 10x10 mesh

The full solution was numerically calculated and is display in figure 2.2 along with the solution error (computed - exact). The maximum change in solution and the L^2 norm as a function of iteration for a 10 x 10 mesh with $\omega = 1.0, 1.5$ are displayed in figure 2.3. The exact amount of iterations to solve this problem for a 10x10 mesh was found to be 137 and 57 for $\omega = 1$ and $\omega = 1.5$ respectively when maximum solution threshold was set to 10^{-7} . The L^2 norm was found to be 8.8557×10^{-2} for both cases. It clear from the plots of both the error difference and the l2 norm that the method employing over-relaxation method drastically reduces the computation time for the same problem. One would assume higher values of ω would result in faster and shorter iteration times however with ω values above 1.5 the scheme becomes unstable. Essentially the change between the previous and current solution is too

great and eventually the routine gets to a point where it constantly overshoots the convergence point without being able to reduce maximum solution change. In this case the ω value needs to be reduced in order to attain lower values for the solution change. The function `solve_arraySOR()` contains a small subroutine which checks for conditions that might indicate an unstable condition, and in the event reduces the ω value.

2.4. CONVERGENCE BEHAVIOR AND ACCURACY

In order to gauge the convergence behavior of the problem the program was run until steady state for ω values of 1, 1.3, and 1.5. The maximum change in solution at each iteration was plotted as a function of iteration count displayed in figure 2.4. The total iterations were found to be 400, 243, and 182 for ω values of 1, 1.3, and 1.5 respectively. This data shows the effect of over-relaxation (SOR) on computing time. Although the speed of the program can vastly be increased this is only true for stable values of ω . When unstable a solution may never be reached within a defined maximum change in solution, and therefore would take many more iterations than stable schemes. Generally when $\omega > 1.5$ instability should be expected for the Gauss-Seidel with over-relaxation.

Mesh Size	L^2 norm	Δx
10 x 10	0.088557	0.1
20 x 20	0.045121	0.05
40 x 40	0.022718	0.025
80 x 80	0.011385	0.0125

Table 2.2: Table of L^2 norms for increasing mesh size

The accuracy of the program was estimated by calculating and tabulating the L^2 norms of solution error for multiple mesh sizes. Using table 2.2 we can estimate the order of error by plotting $\log(\text{error})$ vs $\log(\Delta x)$ and calculating the slope. The slope and therefore the order of accuracy was estimated to be 0.9868 which rounds to 1st order accuracy. The maximum solution change was lowered to 10^{-9} in order to ensure the error being measured was discretization error and not a lack of convergence.

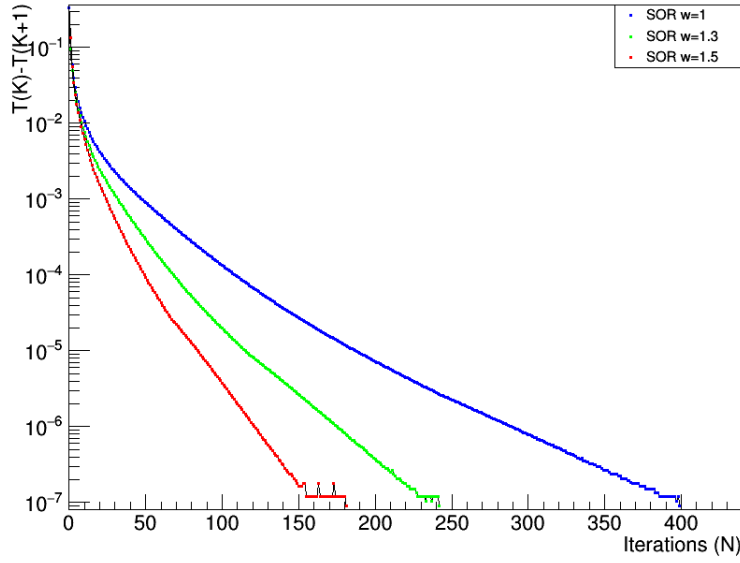


Figure 2.4: The maximum change in solution for $\omega = 1, 1.3, 1.5$ on a 20×20 mesh

2.5. POISSON PROBLEM

Calculating pressure for in-compressible flows is done by solving the Poisson problem for pressure. Starting with the momentum equations one can obtain a simplified expression for Poisson problem (equation 2.1). This equation allows us to simply add a source term (equation 2.2) to our existing Laplace code and compute the pressure for the previous square domain as displayed in equation 1.1.

$$\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial y^2} = - \left(\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right) \quad (2.1)$$

$$S_{ij} = (3x^2 - 3y^2)^2 + 2(36x^2 y^2) + (3y^2 - 3x^2) \quad (2.2)$$

For boundary conditions $\frac{\partial P}{\partial n} = 0$ at $x = 0$ and $y = 0$, and $P = 5 - \frac{1}{2}(1 + y^2)^3$ for $x = 1$ and $P = 5 - \frac{1}{2}(1 + x^2)^3$ for $y = 1$ were implemented. The Full solution to the Poisson problem was computed using $\omega = 1.3$ and is displayed in figure 2.5. This data was used to estimate the value for P at $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ for a 10×10 , 20×20 and 40×40 grid. The value of P was estimated using the average of the four surrounding cells. The solutions for P at $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ are tabulated in table 2.3 as P_1, P_2 , and P_3 for decreasing grid size. The solution was found to be 6.098 with a GCI_{fine} uncertainty of %2.24 in the fine-grid solution. The uncertainty was calculated using the procedure described in the ASME solution accuracy handout. [Celik, 2006] The local order of accuracy for $P(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ was found to be 2.829 which sets the accuracy of the value between 2nd and 3rd order. Decreasing the grid size will help the solution converge closer to the exact values. If we image the grid size becoming infinitely small the grid would become continuous and essentially would describe the exact solution. However Decreasing grid size (increasing array size) has a hard hit on computational performance. Therefore before solving such a problem

one should consider the exactness required for their problem and apply the appropriate mesh size. This will ensure the problem is solved the fastest while attaining the best approximate solution.

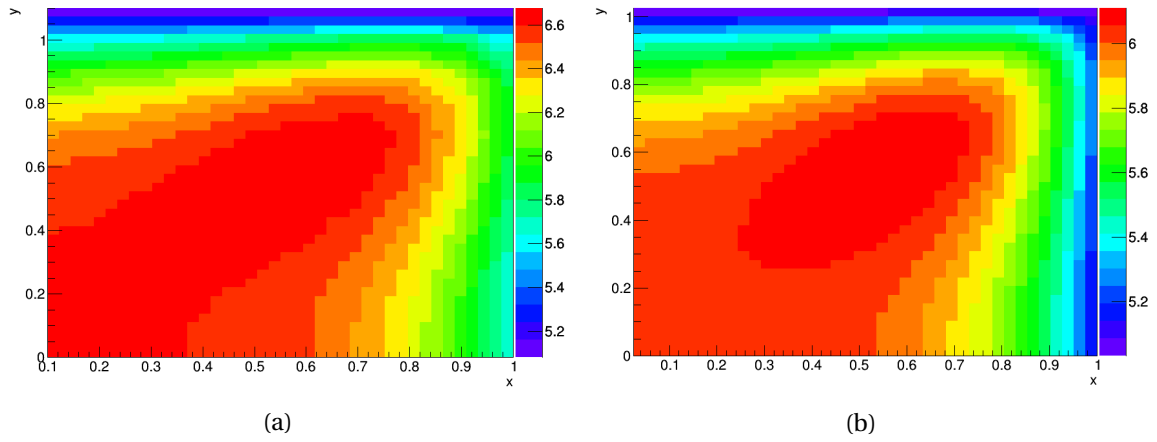


Figure 2.5: Calculated Solution for 20 x 20 grid (a) and 40 x 40 grid (b)

Values	$P(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
N_1, N_2, N_3	40, 20, 10
r_{21}	1.381
r_{32}	1.354
P_1	6.098
P_2	6.262
P_3	6.633
p	2.829
P_{ext}^{21}	5.989
e_a^{21}	%2.684
e_{ext}^{21}	%1.826
GCI_{fine}^{21}	%2.242
$L_{21}^2 norm$	0.3528
$L_{32}^2 norm$	0.3082

Table 2.3: Table of L^2 norms for increasing mesh size

3. CONCLUSION

This project provides great inside to the internal algorithms used for calculating numerical solutions for symmetric grids. The Laplace problem provided a great platform for developing and testing the program. Having the analytic solution really help fine tune the program

and helped given an idea on how accurate the solutions could be. Applying the program to Poisson problem showed how one could find a solution and still estimate error without a known solution to compare with. Numerical methods provide a great way of solving difficult problems and until new methods are discovered for finding exact solution will remain the main method for finding solutions to unsolvable problems.

A. APPENDIX

A.1. POISSON.CPP

```
/*-----//
Main Program for finding pressure for incompressible flows using Poisson
equations.
Finds solution at P(1/2,1/2) for Land discretization error for w values of 1
for
20x20,40x40 and 60x60 array

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compiled using g++/gcc version 5.4.0 on Ubuntu 16.04.02 and are available for
clone
via the link provided: url{https://github.com/j16out/
//-----*/

#include <vector>
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <fstream>
#include <string>
#include <vector>
#include <algorithm>
#include <sstream>
#include <math.h>
#include "TApplication.h"
#include "vroot/root.hpp"
#include "numerical/numerical.hpp"

using namespace std;

#define E07 0.0000001
#define E08 0.00000001
#define E09 0.000000001
```

```

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{

    carray poisson1;//my main array
    carray poisson2;
    carray poisson3;

    //set array size or default used 162x162
    set_array_size(poisson1, 10, 10, 1.0);//array, xsize, ysize, dimension
    set_array_size(poisson2, 40, 40, 1.0);
    set_array_size(poisson3, 60, 60, 1.0);

    //set ghost cells as boundary conditions

    set_zero(poisson1);//zero
    set_ghostcells(poisson1);//set ghost cells/boundaries
    print_array(poisson1);//print array in terminal

    set_zero(poisson2);
    set_ghostcells(poisson2);
    print_array(poisson2);

    set_zero(poisson3);
    set_ghostcells(poisson3);
    print_array(poisson3);

    //-----GS SOR w=1.3 loop 1-----//

    solve_arraySOR(poisson1, E07, 1.3);
    cout << "Solution: " << get_solution(poisson1) << "\n";

    //-----GS SOR w=1.3 loop 2-----//

    solve_arraySOR(poisson2, E07, 1.3);
    cout << "Solution: " << get_solution(poisson2) << "\n";

    //-----GS SOR w=1 loop 3-----//

    solve_arraySOR(poisson3, E07, 1.3);
    cout << "Solution: " << get_solution(poisson3) << "\n";

    //-----calc error based on ASME-----//

    get_discrete_Error(poisson1, poisson2, poisson3, 1.0);

```

```

//-----Draw Data-----//

if(1)//start root application
{
    TApplication theApp("App", &argc, argv);
    draw_3DgraphP(poisson3);//draw 3d graph
    theApp.Run();
}

//end
}

```

A.2. NUMERICAL.HPP

```

#ifndef numerical_INCLUDED
#define numerical_INCLUDED

#include <vector>
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <fstream>
#include <string>
#include <vector>
#include <algorithm>
#include <sstream>
#include <math.h>
#include <iomanip>

using namespace std;

#define BIG 1000000
#define maxx 162
#define maxy 162
#define PI 3.141592654

struct carray{
float mcell [maxx][maxy];
vector<float> l2norm;
vector<float> diff;
int sizex = maxx;

```

```

int sizey = maxy;
int iterations = 0;
float DIM1 = 0;

};

void set_array_size(carray & myarray, int x, int y, float DIM);

void set_ghostcells(carray & myarray);

void set_zero(carray & myarray);

void print_array(carray & myarray);

float gs_iter_SOR(carray & myarray, float omega);

float calc_source(carray & myarray, int i, int j);

float calc_newcell(carray & myarray, float source, float Tip1_j, float Tim1_j,
    float Ti_jp1 ,float Ti_jm1);

void get_surcells(carray & myarray, float & Tip1_j, float & Tim1_j, float &
    Ti_jp1 ,float & Ti_jm1, int i, int j);

void solve_arraySOR(carray & myarray, float E0, float w);

void get_discrete_Error(carray ray1, carray ray2, carray ray3, float DIM);

float get_solution(carray & myarray);

#endif

```

A.3. NUMERICAL.CPP

```

#include "numerical.hpp"

//-----set array size (working area excluding ghost)-----//

void set_array_size(carray & myarray, int x, int y, float DIM)
{

```

```

    if(x < 160 && y < 160)
    {
        myarray.size_x = x+2;
        myarray.size_y = y+2;
        myarray.DIM1 = DIM/(x);
    }
    else
        cout << "Array size too big, setting to default 160" << "\n";
}

//-----zero array-----//

void set_zero(carray & myarray)
{
    for(int i = 0; i < myarray.size_x; ++i)
    {
        for(int j = 0; j < myarray.size_y; ++j)
        {
            myarray.mcell[i][j] = 0; //set everything to zero
        }
    }
}

//-----set ghost cells for Poisson-----//

void set_ghostcells(carray & myarray)
{
    float DIM1 = myarray.DIM1;

    //set boundary conditions in ghost cells
    for(int i = 1; i < myarray.size_x-1; ++i)
    {
        float d = i*DIM1;
        myarray.mcell[i][0] = myarray.mcell[i][1]; //top boundary
        myarray.mcell[0][i] = myarray.mcell[1][i]; //left boundary
        myarray.mcell[i][myarray.size_x-1] = 5+((1/2)*pow((1+pow(d, 2)),3)); //bottom
        boundary
        myarray.mcell[myarray.size_y-1][i] = 5+((1/2)*pow((1+pow(d, 2)),3)); //right
        boundary
    }
}

//-----Guass-Seidel SOR-----//

```

```

float gs_iter_SOR(carray & myarray, float omega)
{
float DIM1 = myarray.DIM1; //get dimensions of array (not grid size)
float maxdiff = -1;
float Tip1_j, Tim1_j, Ti_jp1, Ti_jm1; //define values for surrounding cells
float l2sum = 0;
float sx = myarray.sizeX-2;
float sy = myarray.sizeY-2;

float dx = 0; //change in x
float dy = 0; //change in y

//-----iterate through all x for steps y -----//
    for(int j = 1; j < myarray.sizeY-1; ++j)
    {

        for(int i = 1; i < myarray.sizeX-1; ++i)
        {
            dx = DIM1*i;
            dy = DIM1*j;

            //----get surrounding cells and compute new cell-----//
            get_surcells(myarray, Tip1_j, Tim1_j, Ti_jp1 , Ti_jm1, i, j);
            float source = calc_source(myarray, i, j);
            float newcell = calc_newcell(myarray, source, Tip1_j, Tim1_j, Ti_jp1 ,
                Ti_jm1);

            //----apply over-relaxation-----//
            float delta = newcell - myarray.mcell[i][j];
            float newcellSOR = myarray.mcell[i][j] + omega*(delta);

            //-----find difference between new and old cell-----//
            float diff = abs(newcell - myarray.mcell[i][j]);
            if(diff > maxdiff)
                maxdiff = diff;

            //-----update current cell-----//
            myarray.mcell[i][j] = newcellSOR;
            set_ghostcells(myarray);

        }

    }
}

```

```

//-----iterate through all y for steps x -----//

    for(int i = 1; i < myarray.sizey-1; ++i)
    {

        for(int j = 1; j < myarray.sizez-1; ++j)
        {
            dx = DIM1*i;
            dy = DIM1*j;

            //----get surrounding cells and compute new cell-----//
            get_surcells(myarray, Tip1_j, Tim1_j, Ti_jp1 , Ti_jm1, i, j);
            float source = calc_source(myarray, i, j);
            float newcell = calc_newcell(myarray, source, Tip1_j, Tim1_j, Ti_jp1 ,
                Ti_jm1);

            //----apply over-relaxation-----//
            float delta = newcell - myarray.mcell[i][j];
            float newcellSOR = myarray.mcell[i][j] + omega*(delta);

            //-----find difference between new and old cell-----//
            float diff = abs(newcell - myarray.mcell[i][j]);
            if(diff > maxdiff)
                maxdiff = diff;

            //-----update current cell-----//
            myarray.mcell[i][j] = newcellSOR;
            set_ghostcells(myarray);
        }

    }

myarray.diff.push_back(maxdiff);
++myarray.iterations;

return maxdiff;
}
//-----Get L2 norm for unknown analytical-----//

void get_l2norm(carray & myarray, caray myarray2)
{float l2sum =0;
float sx = myarray.sizez-2;
float sy = myarray.sizey-2;

    for(int j = 1; j < myarray.sizey-1; ++j)
    {
        for(int i = 1; i < myarray.sizez-1; ++i)

```



```

    {

        float P = myarray.mcell[i][j];
        float T = myarray2.mcell[i][j];
        l2sum = l2sum + pow((P-T),2);

    }

}

float l2 = sqrt(l2sum/(sx*sy));
cout << "L2 norm: " << l2 << "\n";
}

//-----Solve array using GS-iterations-----//

void solve_arraySOR(carray & myarray, float E0, float w)
{
    printf("\n\nSolving Grid size: %d Relaxation: %f\n", myarray.sizeX, w);
    bool relax_on = true;
    float diff = 1; // current difference
    float ldiff = BIG; // previous difference
    int div = 0;
    int update = 0;
    int update2 = 100;

    while(diff > E0)
    {
        diff = gs_iter_SOR(myarray, w);

        if(diff > BIG) //avoid infinite loops if diverges
            break;

        if(update >= update2) //report difference every 100 steps
        {
            cout << "Update: step " << update << " Solution Change: " <<
                setprecision(9) << fixed << diff << " \n";
            update2 = update2 + 100;
        }

        if(ldiff == diff) //checks for repeated values indication of instability
            for high w
            ++div;
        else
            div = 0;

        if(div > 20 && relax_on && w > 1.3) //reduces over-relaxation for high w
            when unstable
        {

```

```

        w = 1.3;
        relax_on = false;
        cout << "Relaxation Reduced to 1.0 @ " << myarray.iterations << " \n";
    }

    ldiff = diff;
    ++update;
}

cout << "Iterations: " << myarray.iterations << "\n";
}

//-----Print array in terminal-----//

void print_array(carray & myarray)
{
    cout << "\n";
    for(int j = 0; j < myarray.sizey; ++j)
    {
        cout << "\n|";
        for(int i = 0; i < myarray.sizey; ++i)
        {
            if(myarray.mcell[i][j] >= 0)
                cout << setprecision(3) << fixed << myarray.mcell[i][j] << "|";
            if(myarray.mcell[i][j] < 0)
                cout << setprecision(2) << fixed << myarray.mcell[i][j] << "|";
        }

    }
    cout << "\n";
}

//-----Calculate new cell value from neighbors -----//

float calc_newcell(carray & myarray, float source, float Tip1_j, float Tim1_j,
    float Ti_jp1 ,float Ti_jm1)
{
    float DIM1 = myarray.DIM1;
    float chx = DIM1;
    float chy = DIM1;
    float temp = (pow(chx,2)*pow(chy,2)) / (2*(pow(chx,2)+pow(chy,2)));
    float newcell = (( (Tip1_j+Tim1_j)/pow(chx,2)) + ((Ti_jp1+Ti_jm1)/pow(chy,2))
        - source ) * temp ;

    return newcell;
}

//-----Get source term for poisson problem-----//

```

```

float calc_source(carray & myarray, int i, int j)
{
float DIM1 = myarray.DIM1;
float dx = DIM1*i;
float dy = DIM1*j;
float source =
    -1*(pow(3*pow(dx,2)-3*pow(dy,2),2)+72*(pow(dx,2)*pow(dy,2))+pow(3*pow(dy,2)-3*pow(dx,2),2));
//source = 0 for Laplace problem

return source;
}

//-----Get average solution at point (1/2)(1/2)-----//

float get_solution(carray & myarray)
{
int sx = (myarray.sizeX-2)/2;
int sy = (myarray.sizeY-2)/2;
float sol =
    (myarray.mcell[sx-1][sy+1]+myarray.mcell[sx+1][sy+1]+myarray.mcell[sx+1][sy-1]+myarray.mcell[sx-1][sy-1])/4;
//for Poisson problem only, finds value based on average of four surrounding
    cells

return sol;
}

//-----Get current cell values-----//

void get_surcells(carray & myarray, float & Tip1_j, float & Tim1_j, float &
    Ti_jp1, float & Ti_jm1, int i, int j)
{
float fcon = false;
float sizeX = myarray.sizeX;
float sizeY = myarray.sizeY;

    Tip1_j = myarray.mcell[i+1][j];
    Tim1_j = myarray.mcell[i-1][j];
    Ti_jp1 = myarray.mcell[i][j+1];
    Ti_jm1 = myarray.mcell[i][j-1];

}

//-----Get discrete error-----//

void get_discrete_Error(carray ray1, carray ray2, carray ray3, float DIM)
{
//Calculating error as described in paper "procedure for estimation and
    reporting of uncertainty due to discretization in CFD applications"//

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printf("\nCalculating Error...\n");

float h1 = sqrt((1.0/ray1.size)*(DIM));
float h2 = sqrt((1.0/ray2.size)*(DIM));
float h3 = sqrt((1.0/ray3.size)*(DIM));

float sol1 = get_solution(ray1);
float sol2 = get_solution(ray2);
float sol3 = get_solution(ray3);

printf("h1: %f h2: %f h3: %f, sol1: %f sol2: %f sol3: %f\n",h1, h2, h3, sol1,
      sol2, sol3);

float r21 = h2/h1;
float r32 = h3/h2;

printf("r32: %f r21: %f\n",r32, r21);

float e32 = sol3-sol2;
float e21 = sol2-sol1;

float s = (e32/e21);
if(s >= 0)
s = 1;
else
s = -1;

float p_n = 0;
float p = (1/log(r21))*(abs(log(abs(e32/e21))+0));

printf("intial guess: %f \n", p);

float diff = 1;
while(diff > 0.0000001)
{

float p_n =
      (1/log(r21))*(abs(log(abs(e32/e21))+log((pow(r21,p)-s)/(pow(r32,p)-s)) ));
diff = abs(p_n -p);
printf("p_n: %f p: %f diff: %f\n",p_n, p, diff);

p = p_n;
}

//
float sol_ext21 = (pow(r21, p)*sol1-sol2)/(pow(r21,p)-1.0);
float sol_ext32 = (pow(r32, p)*sol2-sol3)/(pow(r32,p)-1.0);

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printf("phi_ext21: %f phi_ext32 %f\n", sol_ext21, sol_ext32);

float ea21 = abs((sol1-sol2)/sol1);
float ea32 = abs((sol2-sol3)/sol2);

float e_ext21 = abs((sol_ext21-sol1)/sol_ext21);
float e_ext32 = abs((sol_ext32-sol2)/sol_ext32);

float GCI_21 = (1.25*ea21)/(pow(r21,p)-1.0);
float GCI_32 = (1.25*ea32)/(pow(r32,p)-1.0);

printf("ea21/32: %f %f e_ext21/32: %f %f GC121/32 %f %f\n", ea21, ea32,
      e_ext21, e_ext32, GCI_21, GCI_32);

}

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