

03_tasks

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[ ]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.sparse import diags, eye, kron
from scipy.sparse.linalg import spsolve
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1 FD 2D elliptic PDEs

1.0.1 Task 1: Poisson Solver in 2D

Implement a Python function to solve the **Poisson problem** on a square domain with homogeneous Dirichlet boundary conditions, using the **5-point finite difference Laplacian**:

$$\nabla^2 u = -2 \sin(x) \sin(y), \quad (x, y) \in [0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi],$$

with

$$u(x, 0) = 0, \quad u(x, 2\pi) = 0, \quad u(0, y) = 0, \quad u(2\pi, y) = 0.$$

(a) Implement the solver

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[46]: def poisson(m):
    """
    Solve the 2D Poisson equation:
         $\nabla^2 u = -2 \sin(x) \sin(y), \quad (x, y) \in [0, 2] \times [0, 2],$ 
         $u = 0$  on the boundary.

    Parameters
    -----
    m : int
        Number of interior grid points in each direction.

    Returns
    -----
    X, Y : 2D ndarrays
        Meshgrid of all grid points including boundaries.
    U : 2D ndarray
        Numerical solution at all grid points.
    """
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# Step 1: Discretize domain  $[0, 2] \times [0, 2]$ 
h = (2*np.pi)/(m+1)

# Step 2: Build sparse matrix A for the 5-point Laplacian

B = diags([np.ones(m-1), -4*np.ones(m), np.ones(m-1)],
          offsets=[-1, 0, 1], format='csr')

T = diags([np.ones(m-1), np.zeros(m), np.ones(m-1)],
          offsets=[-1, 0, 1], format='csr')

I = eye(m, format='csr')

## reconstruct A using Kronecker products
A = 1/h**2 * (kron(I,B) + kron(T, I))

# Step 3: Assemble RHS vector with  $f(x,y) = -2 \sin(x) \sin(y)$ 
x = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, m+2)
y = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, m+2)
X, Y = np.meshgrid(x, y)
F = -2*np.sin(X[1:-1, 1:-1])*np.sin(Y[1:-1, 1:-1]) # only interior points
F = F.reshape(m**2) # flatten to 1D array

# Step 4: Solve linear system  $AU = F$ 
U = spsolve(A, F)
U = U.reshape((m, m)) # reshape back to 2D array

# Step 5: Reconstruct solution including boundary values
U_full = np.zeros((m+2, m+2))
U_full[1:-1, 1:-1] = U # interior points
U = U_full

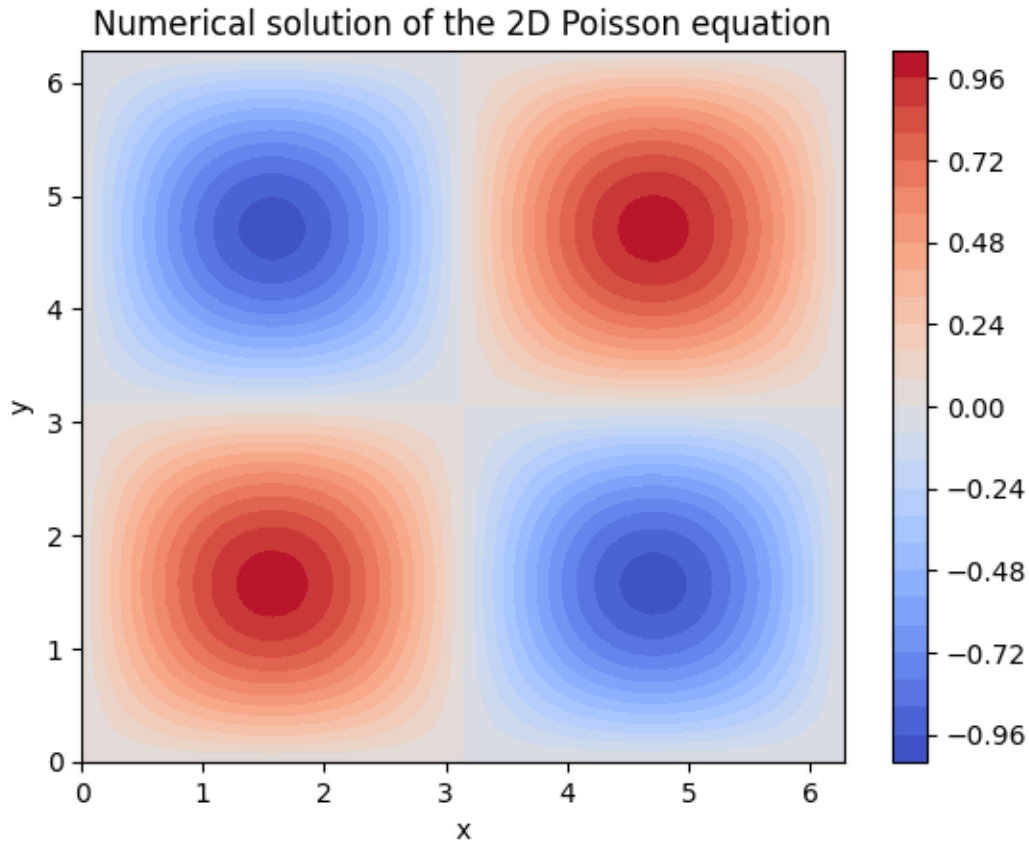
return X, Y, U

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[62]: X, Y, U = poisson(300)
plt.contourf(X, Y, U, 30, cmap='coolwarm')
plt.colorbar()
plt.title('Numerical solution of the 2D Poisson equation')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.show()

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(b) Verify numerical convergence

1. Compute the solution for increasing values of m (e.g. $m = 8, 16, 32, 64$).
2. Compare with the exact solution

$$u(x, y) = \sin(x) \sin(y),$$

and compute the error in ℓ^2 and ℓ^∞ norms.

3. Plot the errors vs. h (grid spacing) in a log-log plot, and verify that the scheme is **second-order accurate**.

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[60]: m_list = [8, 16, 32, 64, 128]

errors2 = []
errorsinf = []
hs = []

for m in m_list:
    X, Y, U_it = poisson(m)
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h = (2*np.pi)/(m+1)
E = U_it - np.sin(X)*np.sin(Y)

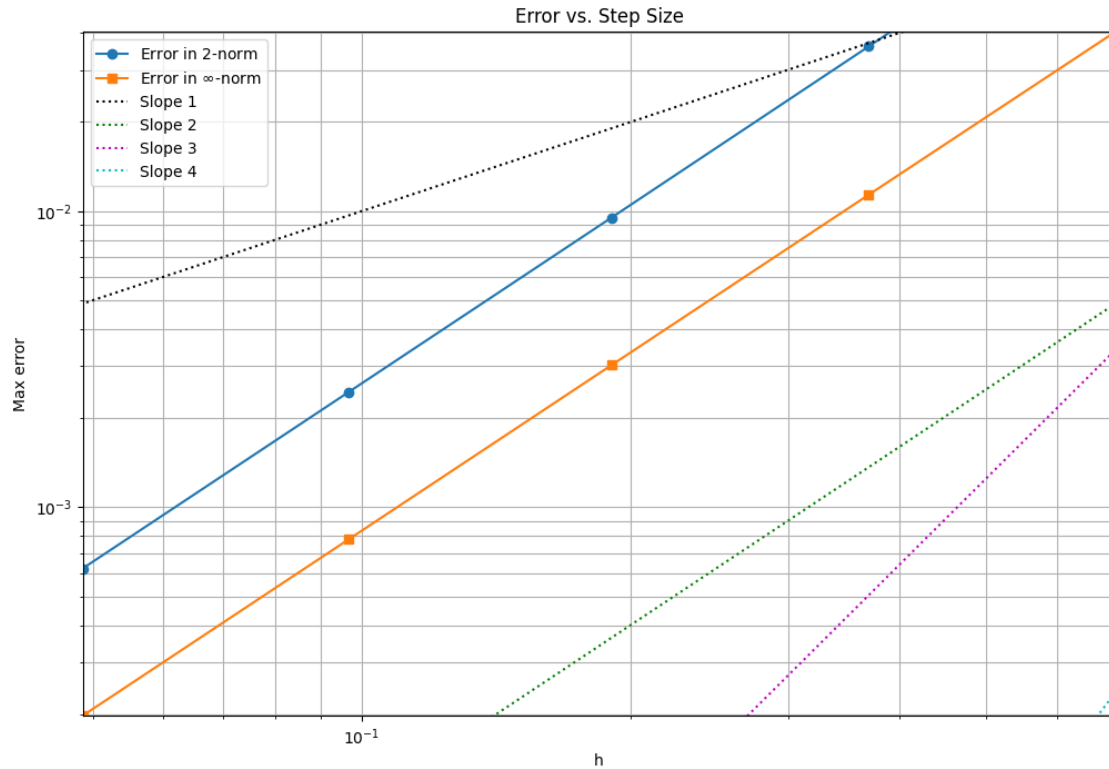
errorinf = np.max(np.abs(E))
error2 = np.linalg.norm(E.ravel(), 2) * h

errors2.append(error2)
errorsinf.append(errorinf)
hs.append(h)

hvec = 1.0 / 2*np.arange(30)

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
plt.loglog(hs, errors2, marker='o', label=r"Error in  $L_2$ -norm")
plt.loglog(hs, errorsinf, marker='s', label=r"Error in  $L_\infty$ -norm")
plt.loglog(hvec, 0.1*hvec**1, 'k:', label="Slope 1")
plt.loglog(hvec, 0.01*hvec**2, 'g:', label="Slope 2")
plt.loglog(hvec, 0.001*hvec**3, 'm:', label="Slope 3")
plt.loglog(hvec, 0.0001*hvec**4, 'c:', label="Slope 4")
plt.xlim([min(hs), max(hs)])
plt.ylim([min(errorsinf), max(errorsinf)])
plt.xlabel('h')
plt.ylabel('Max error')
plt.title('Error vs. Step Size')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True, which='both')

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We can conclude that both errors decrease with h^2 .

1.0.2 Task 2 – Eigenvalues of the 5-Point Laplacian

Write a Python function to compute and plot the eigenvalues of the 5-point finite difference Laplacian on a square grid.

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[72]: def laplacian_eigenvalues(m):
    """
    Compute eigenvalues of the 5-point Laplacian on a square  $m \times m$  grid.

    Parameters
    -----
    m : int
        Number of interior points in each spatial direction.

    Returns
    -----
    eig_vals : ndarray
        Array of eigenvalues of size  $m \times 2$ .
    """
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# we can simply use  $h = 1/(m+1)$ 
h = 1/(m+1)

# we know the eigenvalues expression
# we can compute them via meshgrid
p = np.arange(1, m+1)
k = np.arange(1, m+1)
P, K = np.meshgrid(p, k)
eig_vals = 2/h**2 * ((np.cos(np.pi*P*h) - 1) + (np.cos(np.pi*K*h) - 1))
eig_vals

return eig_vals

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eig_vals = laplacian_eigenvalues(m=10)
print("Eigenvalues", eig_vals)
print("length:", len(eig_vals.ravel()))

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Eigenvalues [[ -19.60540077 -48.21934544 -93.32640277 -151.27226724
-217.36250952
 -286.24289125 -352.33313353 -410.278998 -455.38605533 -484.
 [ -48.21934544 -76.83329011 -121.94034744 -179.88621191 -245.97645419
 -314.85683592 -380.9470782 -438.89294267 -484. -512.61394467]
 [ -93.32640277 -121.94034744 -167.04740477 -224.99326924 -291.08351152
 -359.96389325 -426.05413553 -484. -529.10705733 -557.721002 ]
 [-151.27226724 -179.88621191 -224.99326924 -282.93913371 -349.02937599
 -417.90975772 -484. -541.94586447 -587.0529218 -615.66686647]
 [-217.36250952 -245.97645419 -291.08351152 -349.02937599 -415.11961828
 -484. -550.09024228 -608.03610675 -653.14316408 -681.75710875]
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 -552.88038172 -618.97062401 -676.91648848 -722.02354581 -750.63749048]
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 -618.97062401 -685.06086629 -743.00673076 -788.11378809 -816.72773276]
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 -676.91648848 -743.00673076 -800.95259523 -846.05965256 -874.67359723]
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 -750.63749048 -816.72773276 -874.67359723 -919.78065456 -948.39459923]]
length: 100

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[73]: print("Unique eigenvalues:", np.unique(eig_vals))
print("length unique:", len(np.unique(eig_vals)))

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Unique eigenvalues: [-948.39459923 -919.78065456 -891.16670989 -874.67359723

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-846.05965256
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length unique: 52

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Then $\|(A^h)^{-1}\| \leq -1/19 \approx -0.05$. Therefore is stable.