

Central Difference Scheme 1st order

With Runge Kutta we have seen, that we can improve the accuracy (resp. the error) by combining different schemes

→ let's combine Forward and Backward Euler:

Forward euler:

$$u'_{n-1} \approx \frac{u_n - u_{n-1}}{\Delta t}$$

Backward euler

$$u'_{n+1} \approx \frac{u_{n+1} - u_n}{\Delta t}$$

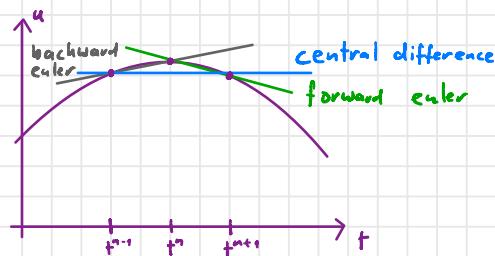
Average of u'_{n-1} and u'_{n+1} :

$$u'_n \approx \frac{u'_{n-1} + u'_{n+1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\Delta t} (u_n - u_{n-1} + u_{n+1} - u_n)$$

$$u'_n \approx \frac{u_{n+1} - u_{n-1}}{2\Delta t}$$

1st order central diff / mid-point rule



↳ Truncation error: $\mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$

Central Difference Scheme 2nd order

$$u'_j \approx \frac{u_{j+1} - u_j}{\Delta t} \quad (\text{Forward euler})$$

$$u''_j \approx \frac{u'_j - u'_{j-1}}{\Delta t} \quad (\text{Backward euler})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left[\underbrace{\frac{u_{j+1} - u_j}{\Delta t}}_{u'_j} - \underbrace{\frac{u_j - u_{j-1}}{\Delta t}}_{u'_{j-1}} \right]$$

$$u''_j \approx \frac{1}{\Delta t^2} (u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1})$$

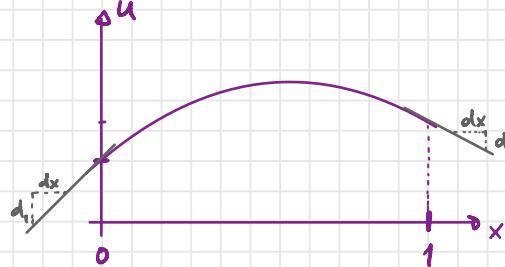
2nd order central diff. rule

Finite Diff. for Poisson equation (10) with Neumann boundary condition

$$-\Delta u(x) = f(x) \quad \text{Poisson eq.}$$

$$10: -u''(x) = f(x) \quad \forall x \in \Omega = (0, 1)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{cases} u'(0) = d_1 \\ u'(1) = d_2 \end{cases}$$



1. Discretize space

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{N+1}$$

$$x_0 \ x_1 \ \dots \ \underbrace{\dots}_{\Delta x} \ \dots \ x_N \ x_{N+1}$$

$$x_0 = 0$$

$$x_{N+1} = 1$$

$$x_j = j \cdot \Delta x$$

2. Discretize derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} u_j &\approx u(x_j) \\ f_j &= f(x_j) \end{aligned}$$

$$u_j'' \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1})$$

2nd order central diff.

$$-u_j'' = f_j$$

$$-(u_{j+1} - 2u_j + u_{j-1}) = \Delta x^2 f_j$$

Boundary conditions

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u'_0 &= d_1 \\ u'_{N+1} &= d_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{approx. with 1st order central diff}$$

$$u'_j \approx \frac{u_{j+1} - u_{j-1}}{2 \Delta x}$$

$$u'_0 = \frac{u_1 - u_{-1}}{2 \Delta x} \stackrel{\text{ghost point}}{\approx} d_1 \rightarrow u_{-1} = u_1 - 2 \Delta x \cdot d_1$$

analog:

$$\rightarrow u_{N+2} = u_N + 2 \Delta x \cdot d_2$$

3. Write as linear system

$$\underline{\underline{A}} \underline{u} = \underline{F}$$

with:

$$\underline{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \\ u_N \\ u_{N+1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_{-1} = u_1 - 2\Delta x \cdot d_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} j=0: \quad & -u_{-1} + 2u_0 - u_1 = \Delta x^2 \cdot f_0 \\ j=1: \quad & -u_0 + 2u_1 - u_2 = \Delta x^2 f_1 \\ j=2: \quad & -u_1 + 2u_2 - u_3 = \Delta x^2 f_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\ j=N: \quad & -u_{N-1} + 2u_N - u_{N+1} = \Delta x^2 f_N \\ j=N+1: \quad & -u_N + 2u_{N+1} - u_{N+2} = \Delta x^2 \cdot f_{N+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \\ u_N \\ u_{N+1} \end{bmatrix} = \Delta x^2 \begin{bmatrix} f_0 - \frac{2}{\Delta x} \cdot d_1 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_{N-1} \\ f_N \\ f_{N+1} + \frac{2}{\Delta x} \cdot d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

A u = F

Finite Diff. for Poisson equation (2D)

$$-\Delta u = f \quad \text{Poisson eq.}$$

$$2D: -(u_{xx}(x,y) + u_{yy}(x,y)) = f(x,y) \quad \text{in } \Omega := (0,1)^2$$

$u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$

$$\begin{cases} u(x,0) = u(x,1) = 0 & \forall x \\ u(0,y) = u(1,y) = 0 & \forall y \end{cases}$$

↑ boundary of region Ω

1. Discretize space

$$h = \frac{1}{N+1}$$

$$x_0 = y_0 = 0$$

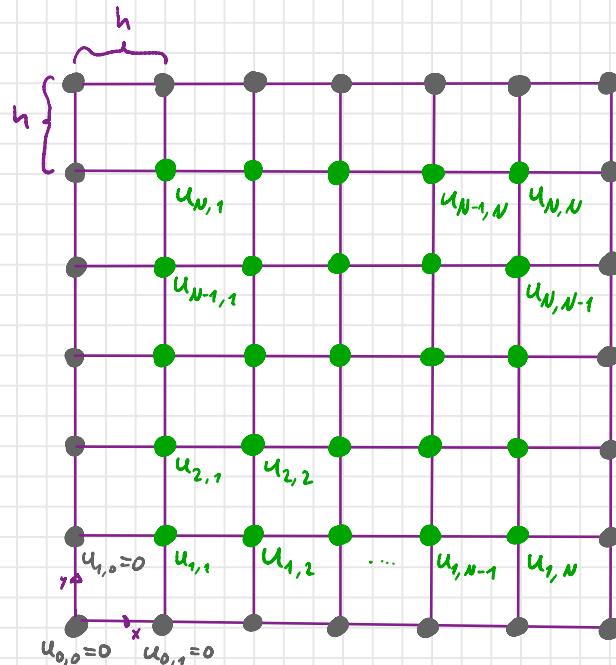
$$x_{N+1} = y_{N+1} = 1$$

$$x_i = i \cdot h$$

$$y_j = j \cdot h$$

$$u(x_i, y_j) \approx u_{i,j}$$

$$f(x_i, y_j) = f_{i,j}$$

2. Discretize derivative with a stencil

$$\Delta u = u''_{i,j}$$

$$-u''_{i,j} \cdot h^2 = \begin{matrix} -1 & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & -1 & \\ -1 & & & & u_{i,j} \\ u_{i-1,j} & & & & u_{i+1,j} \\ & & & & u_{i,j-1} \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{weights}} -u''_{i,j} = \frac{1}{h^2} (4u_{i,j} - u_{i-1,j} - u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j+1})$$

$$u''_{i,j} = \underbrace{\frac{u_{i-1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i+1,j}}{h}}_{\substack{\text{central diff} \\ \text{in y-direction}}} + \underbrace{\frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{h}}_{\substack{\text{central diff} \\ \text{in x-direction}}} \frac{\partial u_{i,j}}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u_{i,j}}{\partial x}$$

3. Write as linear system

$$\begin{aligned} -u''_{i,j} &= h^2 f_{i,j} \\ \underbrace{4u_{i,j} - u_{i-1,j} - u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j+1}}_{A \cdot u} &= h^2 f_{i,j} \\ \underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{u}} &= \underline{\underline{F}} \end{aligned}$$

Stack $u_{i,j}$ line-by-line up to vector: $\underline{\underline{u}} =$

$$\underline{\underline{u}}, \underline{\underline{F}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{1,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{1,N} \\ \hline u_{2,1} \\ u_{2,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{2,N} \\ \hline u_{3,1} \\ u_{3,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{3,N} \\ \hline \vdots \\ u_{N,1} \\ u_{N,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

\rightarrow analog $f_{i,j}$: $\underline{\underline{F}} = h^2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{1,1} \\ \vdots \\ f_{1,N} \\ \hline f_{2,1} \\ f_{2,2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{2,N} \\ \hline \vdots \\ f_{N,1} \\ f_{N,2} \\ \vdots \\ f_{N,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{for } i=2: -u''_{2,j} = -u_{2,j} - u_{2,j-1} + 4u_{2,j} - u_{2,j+1} - u_{3,j}$$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{1,2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{1,N} \\ u_{2,1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{2,N} \\ u_{3,1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{3,N} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

Annotations: line below, current line, line above.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & -II & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -II & B & -II & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -II & B & = \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 4 & \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^2 \times N^2}$$

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$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & -1 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$$

$$II \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$$