

TP MAM5 Dicitéisation Volume Fini des EDPs :  
finite volume discretization of the 1D Laplacian with Dirichlet and Neumann boundary conditions.

We consider the following problem

$$(P) \begin{cases} -u''(x) = f(x) & \text{on } (0, L), \\ u(0) = u_D, \\ -u'(L) = g, \end{cases}$$

which has a unique solution in  $H^1(0, 1)$  for all  $u_D \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f \in L^2(0, L)$ .

We consider the following subdivision of the interval  $(0, L)$  with  $N + 1$  points :

$$x_{1/2} = 0 < x_{3/2} < \cdots < x_{i-1/2} < x_{i+1/2} < \cdots < x_{N-1/2} < x_{N+1/2} = L.$$

Keeping the notations of the course, the finite volume discretization of the interval  $(0, L)$  consists of the set of  $N$  cells  $\kappa_i = (x_{i-1/2}, x_{i+1/2})$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ , and of the cell centers  $x_i = \frac{x_{i-1/2} + x_{i+1/2}}{2}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . We also set  $x_0 = 0$  and  $x_{N+1} = L$ ,  $h_{i+1/2} = |x_{i+1} - x_i|$  for  $i = 0, \dots, N$ , and  $h_i = |x_{i+1/2} - x_{i-1/2}|$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . Finally, we set  $h = \max_{i=1, \dots, N} h_i$ .

- (1) Let us consider the  $N$  discrete unknowns  $u_i$  approximating  $u(x_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . Write the discrete fluxes  $f_{i+1/2}$  approximating  $-u'(x_{i+1/2})$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, N$ , and taking into account the boundary conditions for  $i = 0$  and  $i = N$ .

Write the finite volume discretization of (P) consisting of  $N$  discrete conservation equations on the cells  $\kappa_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  using the previous fluxes.

- (2) Write the square matrix  $A_h$  of size  $N$  and the right hand side  $S_h \in \mathbb{R}^N$  such that the finite volume scheme is equivalent to  $A_h U_h = S_h$  where  $U_h \in \mathbb{R}^N$  is such that  $U_{h,i} = u_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

- (3) We consider a uniform mesh with  $h = h_i = \frac{L}{N}$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . Let us consider the fonction

$$u(x) = e^{\sin(\pi x)},$$

which is the exact solution of the previous problem with  $u_D = u(0) = 1$ ,  $g = -u'(L)$ , and

$$f(x) = -u''(x) = \pi^2 (\sin(\pi x) - \cos^2(\pi x)) e^{\sin(\pi x)},$$

Program in scilab the functions  $u$ ,  $u'$  and  $f$ , then compute  $u_D = u(0)$  and  $g = -u'(L)$ . Program in scilab the vector  $X \in \mathbb{R}^N$  containing the  $N$  cell centers such that  $X(i) = x_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

- (4) Implement the square matrix  $A_h$  and right hand side  $S_h$  of the discrete FV problem taking into account that  $h = h_i = \frac{L}{N}$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

Compute the discrete solution using the scilab backslash command for solving linear systems. Plot the exact solution and the FV solution on the same figure for  $L = 1$ .

- (5) Let us set  $L = 1$  and let us define  $e_i = u(x_i) - u_i$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, N$ , setting  $u_0 = u_D$ . Plot in log 2 scale the discrete  $L^2$  and  $H_0^1$  errors

$$\|e_h\|_{L^2(0,L)} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N h(e_i)^2},$$

and

$$\|e_h\|_{1,h} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{(e_i - e_{i+1})^2}{h_{i+1/2}}},$$

as a function of  $h$  for increasing values of  $N = 10, 20, 40, 80, 160, 320, 640, 1280$ .

What do you conclude about the convergence rates of the FV volume scheme?