In this tests we introduced the finite differences with the unknowns (ϕ_i) in the centroids of the cells.

First, we set the four boundary conditions, two of them in each boundary of the domain of the mesh: ϕ_l , ϕ_{rl} , ϕ_{rr} , ϕ_{rr} .

Follow that, we have a fourth order differential equation (biharmonic operator):

$$-\phi^{(4)} = s \qquad \qquad \text{in } \Omega =]x_{\mathrm{lf}}, x_{\mathrm{rg}}[$$

$$\phi = \phi_{\mathrm{lf},0} \qquad \qquad \text{on } x = x_{\mathrm{lf}}$$

$$\phi^{(1)} = \phi_{\mathrm{lf},1} \qquad \qquad \text{on } x = x_{\mathrm{lf}}$$

$$\phi = \phi_{\mathrm{rg},0} \qquad \qquad \text{on } x = x_{\mathrm{rg}}$$

$$\phi^{(1)} = \phi_{\mathrm{rg},1} \qquad \qquad \text{on } x = x_{\mathrm{rg}}$$

where the ϕ function is the exact function and the s is the source term. Following, we approximate the exact function for a polynomial of degree 4 that needs 5 points,

$$\phi(x) \approx p_4(x) = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$$

$$-\phi^{(4)} = s$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -(ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e)^{(4)} = s(m_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -24a = s(m_i)$$

To calculate the *a* value we need to solve a linear system that:

• for the fist cell:

Note: consider that $x_{lf} = 0$

$$EQ1: p_{4}(0) = \phi_{1} \Leftrightarrow e = \phi_{1}$$

$$EQ2: p_{4}^{(1)}(0) = \phi_{11} \Leftrightarrow d = \phi_{11}$$

$$EQ3: p_{4}\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = \phi_{1} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{1}$$

$$EQ4: p_{4}\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right) = \phi_{2} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{2}$$

$$EQ5: p_{4}\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right) = \phi_{3} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{3}$$

• for the second cell:

$$EQ1: p_{4}(0) = \phi_{1} \Leftrightarrow e = \phi_{1}$$

$$EQ2: p_{4}\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = \phi_{1} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{1}$$

$$EQ3: p_{4}\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right) = \phi_{2} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{3h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{2}$$

$$EQ4: p_{4}\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right) = \phi_{3} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{5h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{3}$$

$$EQ5: p_{4}\left(\frac{7h}{2}\right) = \phi_{4} \Leftrightarrow a\left(\frac{7h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(\frac{7h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(\frac{7h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(\frac{7h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{4}$$

• for the i = 3, ..., I - 2 cells:

$$EQ1: p_{4}(m_{i}-2h) = \phi_{i-2} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{i}-2h)^{4} + b(m_{i}-2h)^{3} + c(m_{i}-2h)^{2} + d(m_{i}-2h) + e = \phi_{i-2}$$

$$EQ2: p_{4}(m_{i}-h) = \phi_{i-1} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{i}-h)^{4} + b(m_{i}-h)^{3} + c(m_{i}-h)^{2} + d(m_{i}-h) + e = \phi_{i-1}$$

$$EQ3: p_{4}(m_{i}) = \phi_{i} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{i})^{4} + b(m_{i})^{3} + c(m_{i})^{2} + d(m_{i}) + e = \phi_{i}$$

$$EQ4: p_{4}(m_{i}+h) = \phi_{i+1} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{i}+h)^{4} + b(m_{i}+h)^{3} + c(m_{i}+h)^{2} + d(m_{i}+h) + e = \phi_{i+1}$$

$$EQ5: p_{4}(m_{i}+2h) = \phi_{i+2} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{i}+2h)^{4} + b(m_{i}+2h)^{3} + c(m_{i}+2h)^{2} + d(m_{i}+2h) + e = \phi_{i+2}$$

• for the penultimate cell:

$$EQ1: p_{4}(m_{I-3}) = \phi_{I-3} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{I-3})^{4} + b(m_{I-3})^{3} + c(m_{I-3})^{2} + d(m_{I-3}) + e = \phi_{I-3}$$

$$EQ2: p_{4}(m_{I-2}) = \phi_{I-2} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{I-2})^{4} + b(m_{I-2})^{3} + c(m_{I-2})^{2} + d(m_{I-2}) + e = \phi_{I-2}$$

$$EQ3: p_{4}(m_{I-1}) = \phi_{I-1} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{I-1})^{4} + b(m_{I-1})^{3} + c(m_{I-1})^{2} + d(m_{I-1}) + e = \phi_{I-1}$$

$$EQ4: p_{4}(m_{I}) = \phi_{I} \Leftrightarrow a(m_{I})^{4} + b(m_{I})^{3} + c(m_{I})^{2} + d(m_{I}) + e = \phi_{I}$$

$$EQ5: p_{4}\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) = \phi_{r} \Leftrightarrow a\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{r}$$

• for the last cell:

$$\begin{split} EQ1: p_{4}\left(m_{I-2}\right) &= \phi_{I-2} \Leftrightarrow a\left(m_{I-2}\right)^{4} + b\left(m_{I-2}\right)^{3} + c\left(m_{I-2}\right)^{2} + d\left(m_{I-2}\right) + e \\ EQ2: p_{4}\left(m_{I-1}\right) &= \phi_{I-1} \Leftrightarrow a\left(m_{I-1}\right)^{4} + b\left(m_{I-1}\right)^{3} + c\left(m_{I-1}\right)^{2} + d\left(m_{I-1}\right) + e \\ EQ3: p_{4}\left(m_{I}\right) &= \phi_{I} \Leftrightarrow a\left(m_{I}\right)^{4} + b\left(m_{I}\right)^{3} + c\left(m_{I}\right)^{2} + d\left(m_{I}\right) + e \\ EQ4: p_{4}\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) &= \phi_{r} \Leftrightarrow a\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{4} + b\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{3} + c\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{2} + d\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) + e = \phi_{r} \\ EQ5: p_{4}^{(1)}\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) &= \phi_{rr} \Leftrightarrow 4a\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{3} + 3b\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right)^{2} + 2c\left(m_{I} + \frac{h}{2}\right) + d = \phi_{rr} \end{split}$$

And, for the first cell we have:

$$-\frac{48}{h^4}\phi_1 + \frac{32}{3h^4}\phi_2 - \frac{48}{25h^4}\phi_3 = S_1 - \frac{64}{5h^3}\phi_{11} - \frac{2944}{75h^4}\phi_1$$

for the second cell we have:

$$\frac{8}{h^4}\phi_1 - \frac{8}{h^4}\phi_2 + \frac{24}{5h^4}\phi_3 - \frac{8}{7h^4}\phi_4 = S_2 + \frac{128}{35h^4}\phi_1$$

for the i = 3, ..., I - 2 cells we have:

$$-\frac{1}{h^4}\phi_{i-2} + \frac{4}{h^4}\phi_{i-1} - \frac{6}{h^4}\phi_i + \frac{4}{h^4}\phi_{i+1} - \frac{1}{h^4}\phi_{i+2} = S_i$$

for the penultimate cell we have:

$$-\frac{8}{7h^4}\phi_{I-3} + \frac{24}{5h^4}\phi_{I-2} - \frac{8}{h^4}\phi_{I-1} + \frac{8}{h^4}\phi_I = S_{I-1} + \frac{128}{35h^4}\phi_r$$

for the last cell we have:

$$-\frac{48}{25h^4}\phi_{I-2} + \frac{32}{3h^4}\phi_{I-1} - \frac{48}{h^4}\phi_I = S_I + \frac{64}{5h^3}\phi_{rr} - \frac{2944}{75h^4}\phi_{rr}$$

In this test we will consider:

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$$\phi(x) = \exp(x)$$

•
$$\phi_1 = 1$$
;

•
$$\phi_{11} = 1$$
;

•
$$\phi_{\rm r} = \exp(1)$$
;

•
$$\phi_{rr} = \exp(1)$$
;

•
$$g(x) = -\exp(x)$$
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Table 1: Table of errors and convergence order of this test.

Ι	$\mathrm{E}_{0,I}(E_1)$	$\mathrm{E}_{0,I}(O_1)$	$E_{0,I}(E_{\infty})$	$\mathrm{E}_{0,I}(O_\infty)$	$E_{0,I}(E_c)$	$\mathrm{E}_{0,I}(O_c)$
10	7.19E-04	_	1.08E-03	_	9.95E-02	_
20	1.80E-04	2.00	2.76E-04	1.96	5.20E-02	0.94
40	4.50E-05	2.00	6.99E-05	1.98	2.66E-02	0.97
80	1.12E-05	2.00	1.76E-05	1.99	1.34E-02	0.98
160	2.81E-06	2.00	4.41E-06	2.00	6.76E-03	0.99