

# Finite Differences

Consider Poisson's Equation:

$$\partial_x^2 U(x, y) + \partial_y^2 U(x, y) = -f(x, y) \text{ for } (x, y) \in \Omega$$

$$U(x, y) = g(x, y) \text{ for } (x, y) \in \partial\Omega$$

$$\frac{U_{i+1,j} - 2U_{i,j} + U_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{U_{i,j+1} - 2U_{i,j} + U_{i,j-1}}{\Delta y^2} = -f_{i,j}$$

If  $\Delta x = \Delta y$ :

$$U_{i,j} = \frac{1}{4} (U_{i+1,j} + U_{i-1,j} + U_{i,j+1} + U_{i,j-1} + \Delta x^2 f_{i,j})$$

Gauss-Seidel Iteration:

$$\Rightarrow U_{i,j}^{m+1} = \frac{1}{4} (U_{i+1,j}^m + U_{i-1,j}^{m+1} + U_{i,j+1}^m + U_{i,j-1}^{m+1} + \Delta x^2 f_{i,j})$$

# Multigrid 1

Uses a collection of grids beginning with the finest and getting coarser. Suppose we have the domain  $0 < x, y < L$  and  $N$  interior points in each direction.

$$\text{Let } N = 2^l + 2 \text{ and } \Delta x = \Delta y = h = \frac{1}{N - 1}$$

Sequence of coarser grids with # of interior points:

$$2^l, 2^{l-1}, 2^{l-2}, \dots, 2^0 = 1$$

When  $l=0$ , there is only one interior point:

$$U_{1,1} = \frac{1}{4} (U_{2,1} + U_{0,1} + U_{1,2} + U_{1,0} + h^2 f_{1,1})$$

Main idea is to recursively estimate the correction to the solution by solving the problem on successively coarser grids and projecting back onto the fine grid.

# Multigrid 2

Suppose  $A_h U = b_h$ , use several Gauss-Seidel iterations to get approximation  $U_h$

We want the error  $e_h = U_h - U$  but can get the residual:

$$r_h = A_h U_h - b_h = A_h (U_h - U) = A_h e_h$$

Project  $r_h$  to coarser grid:  $r_H = A_H e_H$  and solve for  $e_H$

Recursively obtain  $e_H = A_H^{-1} r_H$

Through a sequence of coarser to fine grid transformations, obtain approximation to  $e_h$  and use to correct solution.

$$\Rightarrow r_h = \frac{1}{h^2} (U_{i+1,j}^m + U_{i-1,j}^{m+1} + U_{i,j+1}^m + U_{i,j-1}^{m+1} - 4U_{i,j}) - f_{i,j}$$

# Multigrid 3

$$e_h = U_h - U \quad r_h = \nabla^2 U_h + f$$

$$\nabla^2 e_h = \nabla^2 U_h + f - \nabla^2 U - f = r_h - (\nabla^2 U + f) = r_h$$

Same form as Poisson equation,  $e_h$  unknown,  $r_h$  known.

Multigrid Sequence:

1) Check the grid level, if  $l=0$ , return solution from

$$U_{1,1} = \frac{1}{4} (U_{2,1} + U_{0,1} + U_{1,2} + U_{1,0} + h^2 f_{1,1})$$

2) Perform Gauss-Seidel pre-smoothing iterations

3) Calculate residual and restrict to coarser grid.

4) Estimate the correction term by calling multigrid routine recursively with residual vector as rhs.



# Multigrid 4

5) Following the recursive call to compute  $e_H$  transfer it to fine grid to get approximation for  $e_h$

6) Add correction to previously obtained approximate solution and do some post smoothing GS iterations.

Need coarse to fine and fine to coarse grid transfer functions to implement above ideas:

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for(i=1; i<nc; i++){  
    for(j=1; j<nc; j++){  
        i_f = 2*(i-1);  
        j_f = 2*(j-1);  
        fine_vec[i_f][j_f] = coarse_vec[i][j];  
        fine_vec[i_f+1][j_f] = coarse_vec[i][j];  
        fine_vec[i_f][j_f+1] = coarse_vec[i][j];  
        fine_vec[i_f+1][j_f+1] = coarse_vec[i][j];  
    }  
}
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# Multigrid 5

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for(i=1; i<nc; i++){  
    for(j=1; j<nc; j++){  
        i_f = 2*(i-1);  
        j_f = 2*(j-1);  
        coarse_vec[i][j] = (1/4)*( fine_vec[i_f][j_f] + fine_vec[i_f+1][j_f] +  
fine_vec[i_f][j_f+1] + fine_vec[i_f+1][j_f+1] );  
    }  
}
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In the code, slightly more complicated functions are used for improved accuracy.

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2u}{dy^2} = f(x,y) = -2\pi^2 \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y) \text{ on } \Omega$$

$$u(x,y) = g(x,y) = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dx^2} + \frac{d^2u}{dy^2} = f(x,y) = 4 \text{ on } \Omega$$

$$u(x,y) = g(x,y) = x^2 + y^2 \text{ on } \partial\Omega$$

$$\Omega = (x,y) : 0 < x < 1; 0 < y < 1$$