MA325: Project# 2, Due: 2023/05/30

The nonlinear Allen–Cahn equation is given as

$$u_t = \epsilon(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) + \frac{1}{\epsilon}f(u), \quad (x, y) \in (0, 2\pi)^2,$$

subject to **periodic** boundary conditions and the random initial value, where $f(u) = u - u^3$. Taking the semi-implicit Euler method with a stabilized term given in red in time with time step Δt and the central finite difference scheme with grid width h, and denoting u_{ij}^n as the numerical approximation of the exact solution $u(ih, jh, n\Delta t)$ results the discrete scheme

$$\frac{u_{ij}^{n+1} - u_{ij}^n}{\Delta t} = \epsilon \frac{u_{i,j-1}^{n+1} + u_{i-1,j}^{n+1} - 4u_{ij}^{n+1} + u_{i+1,j}^{n+1} + u_{i,j+1}^{n+1}}{h^2} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} f(u_{ij}^n) - \beta \left(u_{ij}^{n+1} - u_{ij}^n \right). \tag{1}$$

- **a.** Set N = 255, $h = 2\pi/(N+1)$, $\Delta t = 0.01$, $\epsilon = 0.1$, $\beta = \frac{2}{\epsilon}$, respectively.
- b. Use the following code in Matlab to generate the initial condition, which has a zero mean uin=0.05*(2*rand(N,N)-1); $aver=sum(sum(uin))/N^2$; uin=uin-aver;
- c. Use whatever methods you prefer to solve the system (1) (fast solver is recommended).
- **d.** In each time loop, compute the discrete form of following energy

$$E(u) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{4\epsilon} (u^2 - 1)^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} |\nabla u|^2 \right) dx dy.$$

e. Use 'subplot' in Matlab plot the numerical solutions at T=0 (initial data), T=0.4, $T=1,\,T=4$, and T=10. Below are lines of code for your reference.

if kk*dt==0.4 %% kk is the loop number, and dt is the time step, un is the solution.
 subplot(2,3,2); imagesc(un); axis off; title(['T=0.4']);
end

f. Plot the energy (computed in step d) evolution against time as the last subfigure.

Requirement: submit the **runnable Matlab** codes together with **the** 2×3 **figure**. Email to TA: 12068008@mail.sustech.edu.cn.