

Global Exercise - Gue11

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- ✓ [Review HW10] Numerics: Consistency error (cont.)
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- ✓ Numerics: $\begin{cases} \text{Jacobi iteration solution} \\ \text{Gauss-Seidel iteration solution} \end{cases}$

1 [Review HW10] Consistency error (cont.)

Example 1. *Examine the consistency error of the following problem*

$$u''(x) - u'(x) + u(x) = 2x - 1 - x^2$$

with the exact solution is known, i.e. $u(x) = 1 - x^2$.

2 [Review HW10 - A1] Fundamental solution

Example 2. Examine the following problem: Show that the γ function defined as

$$\gamma : \begin{cases} \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \\ \mathbf{x} \mapsto \gamma(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |\mathbf{x}|, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

is a fundamental solution of Laplace equation $-\Delta\gamma(\mathbf{x}) = \delta_0$ in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Approach:

Proof. For all test functions φ in the compactly supported, infinitely differentiable function space, i.e. $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$, we need to show the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta\gamma(\mathbf{x}) = \delta_0 &\Leftrightarrow \langle -\Delta\gamma(\mathbf{x}), \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle -\partial_{xx}\gamma(\mathbf{x}) - \partial_{yy}\gamma(\mathbf{x}), \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow -\langle \partial_{xx}\gamma(\mathbf{x}), \varphi \rangle - \langle \partial_{yy}\gamma(\mathbf{x}), \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow -(-1)^2 \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \partial_{xx}\varphi \rangle - (-1)^2 \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \partial_{yy}\varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\partial_{xx}\varphi \rangle + \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\partial_{yy}\varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\partial_{xx}\varphi - \partial_{yy}\varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta\varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

yielding the following expression

$$\boxed{\langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta\varphi \rangle = \langle \delta_0, \varphi \rangle \Leftrightarrow \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta\varphi \rangle \stackrel{!}{=} \varphi(0), \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2).} \quad (3)$$

Setup: Let the test function $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^2) = \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$ be arbitrarily chosen with its support in a subset of a ball centered at O with radius R , i.e. $\text{supp}(\varphi) \subset B_R(0)$. This setting leads to the fact

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0 \text{ in } B_R(0), \\ \varphi(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \text{ on } \partial B_R(0). \end{cases}$$

Besides, let another smaller ball centered at O with radius $\varepsilon \ll 1$ be defined $B_\varepsilon(0)$. Then, the domain to be considered is $\Omega_\varepsilon := B_R(0) \setminus B_\varepsilon(0)$, i.e. the *2D doughnut* as shown in Figure 1. By using Gauss divergence theorem twice we obtain the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta\varphi \rangle &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \Delta\varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\Omega_\varepsilon} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \Delta\varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\Omega_\varepsilon \right) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial\Omega_\varepsilon} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial\varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial\nu} d\partial\Omega_\varepsilon + \int_{\Omega_\varepsilon} \nabla\gamma(\mathbf{x}) \nabla\varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\Omega_\varepsilon \right) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial\Omega_\varepsilon} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial\varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial\nu} d\partial\Omega_\varepsilon \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\int_{\partial\Omega_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial\gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial\nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial\Omega_\varepsilon - \int_{\Omega_\varepsilon} \Delta\gamma(\mathbf{x}) \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\Omega_\varepsilon \right) \right) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial\Omega_\varepsilon} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial\varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial\nu} d\partial\Omega_\varepsilon + \int_{\partial\Omega_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial\gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial\nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial\Omega_\varepsilon \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

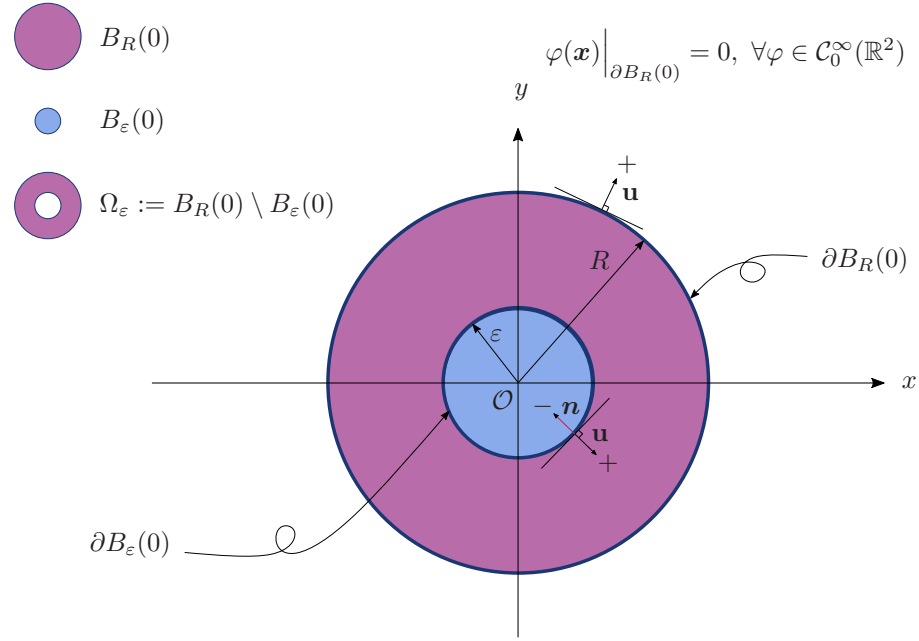


Figure 1: The 2D doughnut: $\Omega_\varepsilon = B_R(0) \setminus B_\varepsilon(0)$.

Note in passing that $\Delta\gamma(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ from (4) due to the fact that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma(\mathbf{x}) &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |\mathbf{x}| \Leftrightarrow \gamma(x, y) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \ln \left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \right) \\
 &\text{which leads to} \\
 \partial_x \gamma(x, y) &= \frac{-x}{2\pi(x^2 + y^2)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{x}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \\
 \partial_y \gamma(x, y) &= \frac{-y}{2\pi(x^2 + y^2)} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{y}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \\
 &\text{and} \\
 \partial_{xx} \gamma(x, y) &= \frac{2x^2 - 2y^2}{4\pi^2(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\
 \partial_{yy} \gamma(x, y) &= \frac{2y^2 - 2x^2}{4\pi^2(x^2 + y^2)^2} \\
 &\text{hence} \\
 \nabla \gamma(\mathbf{x}) &= (\partial_x \gamma(x, y), \partial_y \gamma(x, y)) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{(x, y)}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \\
 \Delta \gamma(\mathbf{x}) &= \partial_{xx} \gamma(x, y) + \partial_{yy} \gamma(x, y) = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Next, by decomposing the boundary $\partial\Omega_\varepsilon$ into $\partial B_R(0)$ and $\partial B_\varepsilon(0)$, i.e.

$$\partial\Omega_\varepsilon = \partial B_R(0) \cup \partial B_\varepsilon(0), \tag{6}$$

we consequently obtain from (4) the following expression

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta \varphi \rangle \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial \Omega_\varepsilon} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} d\partial \Omega_\varepsilon + \int_{\partial \Omega_\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial \Omega_\varepsilon \right) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \left(\int_{\partial B_R(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} d\partial B_R(0) + \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\int_{\partial B_R(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial B_R(0) + \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \left(\int_{\partial B_R(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} d\partial B_R(0) - \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\int_{\partial B_R(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \nu} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial B_R(0) - \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) - \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \varphi(\mathbf{x}) d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} (\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0)) \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \varphi(0) \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) + \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \\
&= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\underbrace{- \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} (\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0)) \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0)}_{:=A} \right) \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\underbrace{- \varphi(0) \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0)}_{:=B} \right) \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\underbrace{\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0)}_{:=C} \right) = A + B + C. \tag{7}
\end{aligned}$$

Note in passing that the test function $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$ vanishes on boundary $\partial B_R(0)$. Next, computation of the directional derivative of $\gamma(\mathbf{x})$ goes as follows

$$\frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} = \nabla \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{n} \stackrel{(5)}{=} -\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|} = \frac{-1}{2\pi|\mathbf{x}|},$$

which leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) &= \frac{-1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}|} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) = \frac{-1}{2\pi\varepsilon} (2\pi\varepsilon) = -1 \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, term B in (7) yields

$$\therefore \boxed{B = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(-\varphi(0) \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) \stackrel{(8)}{=} \varphi(0)} \quad (9)$$

Besides, the analysis of term A goes as follows

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left| - \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} (\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0)) \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right| \\ &\leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \left| \varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0) \right| \left| \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \right| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &\leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \max_{|\mathbf{x}|=\varepsilon} |\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0)| \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \left| \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \right| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \max_{|\mathbf{x}|=\varepsilon} |\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{0})| \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \left| \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \right| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &\leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \underbrace{\max_{|\mathbf{x}|=\varepsilon} |\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{x})|}_{=M_1 \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)} \underbrace{|\mathbf{x}|}_{\varepsilon} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \underbrace{\left| \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} \right|}_{\stackrel{(8)}{=} -1} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} M_1 \varepsilon = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Note in passing that the Mean value theorem has been considered in the above analysis. Consequently, term A vanishes itself

$$\therefore \boxed{A = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(- \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} (\varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(0)) \frac{\partial \gamma(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) = 0} \quad (11)$$

Last but not least, consideration of term C leads to

$$\begin{aligned} |C| &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left| \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right| \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left| \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \nabla \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right| \\ &\leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} |\gamma(\mathbf{x})| |\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{x})| |\mathbf{n}| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &\leq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \underbrace{\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \overline{B_R(0)}} |\nabla \varphi|}_{=: M_2 \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)} \underbrace{|\mathbf{n}|}_{=1} \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} |\gamma(\mathbf{x})| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} M_2 \int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \frac{1}{2\pi} \ln |\mathbf{x}| d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{M_2}{2\pi} \ln(\varepsilon) \underbrace{\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0)}_{=2\pi\varepsilon} \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} M_2 \varepsilon \ln(\varepsilon) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

As a consequence, term C also vanishes itself

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{C = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(0)} \gamma(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial n} d\partial B_\varepsilon(0) \right) = 0} \quad (13)$$

Finally, substitution of (9), (11) and (13) into (7) we obtain

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\langle \gamma(\mathbf{x}), -\Delta \varphi \rangle = \varphi(0), \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2).}$$

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