## 3. Multigrid Method

In this problem, we implement a multigrid method for the differential equation

$$u'' = f,$$
  $u(0) = 0,$   $u(1) = 0$ 

with u and f given by (4.82) and (4.83) in the book. Note that this time we use zero boundary values.

Some extra details about the method can be found e.g. in Gilbert Strang: Mathematical Methods for Engineers II, pages one and two.

The main part of the method is a function (or alternatively/better a member of a class)

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step(UO, RHS, level):
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which performs one V-cycle of the multigrid method for the system A U = RHS with initial value U0. The V-cycle is the algorithm we had in class and is summarized on p. 107 of LeVeque's book.

- 1. For steps 1. and 6. (in the book), we use  $\nu = 3$  iterations of an underrelaxed Jacobi method with  $\omega = 2/3$ .
- 2. For the coarsening/restriction and interpolation in steps 2. and 5., you can use the matrices R and I in Strang's lecture notes. Finally, the restricted matrix  $\tilde{A}$  in step 4. is given by  $\tilde{A}=RAI$ .
- 3. In step 4. the function step calls itself with level-1 as new level. This is called recursion in programming. The level corresponds to the number of grid points via  $m = 2^{level} 1$ . Note that we have  $2^{level}$  intervals and  $2^{level} 1$  interior grid points. For level=1 we terminate this process and use a python solver to solve the remaining linear system, e.g. scipy.linalg.spsolve.

Make a loglog plot of the number of V-cycles versus the error (you can get the exact solution of the linear system via scipy.linalg.spsolve) for  $m=63=2^6-1$  gird points and 300 iterations of both the multigrid and Jacobi methods.