

Numerical Solution of Differential Equations II. QS 4 (HT 2020)

1. Suppose Ω is the right-angled isosceles triangle

$$\{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 - x\}$$

and $\delta\Omega$ its boundary. Use a regular grid on this domain with $x_0 = 0, x_j = jh, (n+1)h = 1, y_0 = 0, y_k = kh$ and apply the 5-point finite difference formula to approximate the solution of $-\nabla^2 u = f$ on Ω with $u = 0$ on $\delta\Omega$. How many rows of the coefficient matrix have only 2 non-zero entries? How many have 3, 4 non-zero entries? What is the structure of the coefficient matrix with Lexicographic ordering? (This is not so easy as for a square! Do it for $n = 5$ if you prefer.) Is this matrix Irreducibly Diagonal Dominant?

2. Verify that the matrix obtained for central difference approximation of

$$u'' + qu = f \quad \text{on} \quad [a, b], \quad u(a) = \alpha, \quad u'(b) = \beta,$$

where $q \in \mathbb{R}$ is a constant, is Irreducibly Diagonally Dominant for every (small) mesh size h if and only if $q \leq 0$.

3. If

$$L_h U_{j,k} = \frac{1}{h^2} (4U_{j,k} - U_{j+1,k} - U_{j-1,k} - U_{j,k+1} - U_{j,k-1}),$$

show that $L_h \Psi_{j,k} = -4$, where $\Psi_{j,k} = (x_j - \frac{1}{2})^2 + (y_k - \frac{1}{2})^2$. Hence, by using the minimum principle on $\phi_{j,k} = e_{j,k} - \frac{1}{4}\tau \Psi_{j,k}$, prove that $-\frac{\tau}{8} \leq e_{j,k}$, $j, k = 1, \dots, n$.

4. For the rotated 5-point approximation of $-\nabla^2 u = f$ with Dirichlet boundary conditions on the unit square and with lexicographic ordering, what is the form of the coefficient matrix? Is it irreducibly diagonally dominant?