You can use the code templates for Poisson's problem from the class notes (amend them and modify as needed, and show what you did)

**Problem 0: warm-up: do not turn in.** Confirm  $O(h^2)$  convergence in  $p = 2, \infty$  grid norms for the FD solution to

(1) 
$$-\Delta u'' = f, \ (x,y) \in (0,1)^2, \ u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

Assume true  $u(x, y) = \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi y)$  is known. (Do not turn in).

**Problem 1.** A student is attempting to verify  $O(h^2)$  convergence in  $p = 2, \infty$  grid norms for the problem (1). Motivated by the 1d examples, they use the following code

function v=rhsfun(x,y)
 v = 2;
end
function v=exactfun(x,y);
 v = x\*(1-x)/2 + y\*(1-y)/2;
end

The solution at a first glance "looks" (almost) all-right. Yet, the error is always about 0.1, and does not change when they refine the grid. What went wrong? Suggest how to correct and check convergence.

**Problem 2.** Consider the unit square  $\Omega_0 = (0, 1) \times (0, 1)$ , and a lattice of  $\mathcal{L} := N \times N$  uniformly spaced points which covers its closure. (553 use N = 11 or larger, 453 can use N = 5).

On this grid draw a non-convex connected domain  $\Omega \subset \Omega_0$  with a boundary  $\partial\Omega$  made of segments parallel to the x or y axis and drawn by connecting the lattice points; denote  $\mathcal{O} := \Omega \cap \mathcal{L}$ . The domain should depict a letter, or an "image" of something recognizable to your grandmother (You can consult Her). Make sure that  $\mathcal{O} \neq \emptyset$ .

Solve the homogeneous Dirichlet Poisson's problem (1) with  $f \equiv 1$  on this domain.

Your solution is the surface or contour plot; you can interpret it as steady-state temperature of a region uniformly heated from below, immersed in a bath of constant temperature.

**Hint:** the simplest way to organize the grid by hand is to patiently number the boundary nodes  $(\mathcal{B} = \partial \Omega \cap \mathcal{L})$  and those outside  $\Omega$  (collect them in the set  $\mathcal{O}^C$ ). In the code, apply "brute force": treat the nodes in  $\mathcal{O}^C$  the same way as those in  $\mathcal{B}$ . (While this is not efficient, it will do the job). More elegant solutions involve rewriting the code.

**Extra credit:** We do not know the true solution. To check convergence and error  $u-u_h$ , you can resort to a fine grid solution used as a proxy for the true solution,  $u_{fine} \approx u$ . Consider a sequence of lattices  $\mathcal{L}_N$  with  $N = 11, 101, \ldots N_{fine}$  so that the shape of  $\Omega$  is unchanged when represented on all the lattices  $\mathcal{L}_N$ .

**Problem 3, theoretical, do not turn in.** Discover the tyranny of scales by doing some independent reading, e.g., of Chapter 4 of the textbook.

(a) Assume your linear solver for matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  corresponding to the discrete form of (1) scales like  $O(N^{1+\alpha})g(N)$ , where  $g(\cdot)$  is some increasing function of N. Estimate the number of flops needed to solve the Poisson's problem in 3d with a given  $M_x \times M_y \times M_z$  grid. Then refine the grid by a factor of 2 in each direction, and compare the complexity.

(b) Now get  $\alpha$  and  $g(\cdot)$  for the linear solver from the families as below. Include the use of a direct (banded or dense) linear solver, and of an iterative linear solver such as CG or Jacobi. (You can refer to Chapter 4 of textbook for information). Prepare the estimate of complexity for these known choices of  $\alpha, g(\cdot)$ .

**Extra credit:** synthesize your knowledge and prepare a table for (b) with a concise summary of your findings.

## **Problem 4, theoretical, do not turn in.** Consider given constants *a*, *b*, *c* and a PDE

(2) 
$$au_{xx} + 2bu_{xy} + cu_{yy} + du_x = f.$$

Propose a FD discretization, and check its LTE.

Check the type of the PDE (2). (textbook E.1.1). What conditions (initial, boundary) are needed to solve the problem if

(i) a = 10, b = 1, c = 5, d = 1,(ii) a = 0, b = 100, c = 0, d = 0,(iii) a = 1, b = 0, c = -100, d = 0,

(iv) a = 1, b = 0, c = -100, d = 1.

Propose examples of such conditions and how to implement them in the numerical algorithm.

**Problem 5, theoretical, do not turn in.** Consider the discretization of  $-u'' = f, x \in (a, b)$  with a Dirichlet condition at x = a, and Neumann or Robin condition at x = b. Propose a FD method to discretize the problem so that the system to be solved has the form as in (C.24) in textbook. Now write out the eigenvalues of the matrix A following (C.25). Is this enough to prove the stability of the method in 2-norm? (If yes, get the estimates for  $||A^{-1}||_2$ ) Compare to the Greens' function approach from HW1.