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ON THE FOURTH-ORDER ACCURATE DIFFERENCE SCHEME FOR POISSON'S EQUATION WITH NONLOCAL BOUNDARY CONDITION

Let $\Omega = \{(x_1, x_2) : 0 < x_k < 1, k = 1, 2\}$ be a square with the boundary Γ , and $\Gamma_1 = \{(1, x_2) : 0 < x_2 < 1\}$, $\Gamma_0 = \Gamma \setminus \Gamma_1$.

We consider a nonlocal boundary value problem with Bitsadze-Samarskii condition and with Dirichlet conditions on a part of the boundary for Poisson's equation

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta u &= f(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \\ u(x) &= 0, \quad x \in \Gamma_0, \quad u(1, x_2) = \alpha u(\xi, x_2), \quad 0 < x_2 < 1, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $\xi, \alpha \in (0, 1)$ are fixed numbers.

Consider the following grid domains in $\bar{\Omega} : \bar{\omega}_\alpha = \{x_\alpha = i_\alpha h : i_\alpha = 0, 1, \dots, n, h = 1/n\}$, $\omega_\alpha = \bar{\omega}_\alpha \cap (0, 1)$, $\omega_\alpha^+ = \bar{\omega}_\alpha \cap (0, 1]$, $\alpha = 1, 2$, $\omega = \omega_1 \times \omega_2$, $\bar{\omega} = \bar{\omega}_1 \times \bar{\omega}_2$, $\gamma = \bar{\omega} \cap \bar{\Omega}$, $\gamma_0 = \Gamma_0 \cap \bar{\omega}$.

For grid functions and difference ratios, we use the notation

$$v_{x_i} = (v^{(+1_i)} - v)/h, \quad v_{\bar{x}_i} = (v - v^{(-1_i)})/h,$$

where $v^{(\pm 1_1)}(x) = v(x_1 \pm h, x_2)$, $v^{(\pm 1_2)}(x) = v(x_1, x_2 \pm h)$. For simplicity let us assume, that the index written below grid functions corresponds to the first coordinate: $y_i = y(ih, x_2)$.

Let us introduce the weighted inner product and the norm

$$\begin{aligned} (y, v)_r &= \sum_{\omega} h^2 r y v, \quad \|y\|_r = (y, y)_r^{1/2}, \\ \|y\|_{W_2^1(\omega, r)}^2 &= \|y_{\bar{x}_1}\|_r^2 + \|y_{\bar{x}_2}\|_r^2, \quad r = 1 - x_1. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that the inner product and the norm containing the index ρ have the analogously meaning.

Let

$$\xi = (k + \theta)h, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 1,$$

where k is positive integer, $2 \leq k < n - 2$.

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We approximate problem (1) by the difference scheme

$$y_{\bar{x}_1 x_1} + y_{\bar{x}_2 x_2} + \frac{h^2}{6} y_{\bar{x}_1 x_1 \bar{x}_2 x_2} = \varphi(x), \quad x \in \omega, \quad (2)$$

$$y = 0, \quad x \in \gamma_0, \quad y(1, x_2) = \alpha Y(x_2), \quad x_2 \in \omega_2, \quad (3)$$

where φ is some average of the right-hand side of equation (1) and

$$Y(x_2) := \frac{(1+\theta)(2-\theta)}{2} ((1-\theta)y_k + \theta y_{k+1}) - \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{6} ((1+\theta)y_{k+2} + (2-\theta)y_{k-1}). \quad (4)$$

Significant moment in obtaining the main result is the selection of the weight function and establishment of estimate for the $(y_{\bar{x}_1 x_1}, y)_\rho$.

Lemma 1. *For any $\theta \in [0, 1]$ the estimate*

$$Y^2 \leq \frac{45}{32} ((1-\theta)y_k^2 + \theta y_{k+1}^2) + \frac{5}{96} ((1+\theta)y_{k+2}^2 + (2-\theta)y_{k-1}^2) \quad (5)$$

is valid.

Proof. Let $A := (1-\theta)y_k + \theta y_{k+1}$ and $B := (1+\theta)y_{k+2} + (2-\theta)y_{k-1}$. Then

$$|Y| \leq \frac{9}{8}|A| + \frac{1}{24}|B|.$$

Consequently,

$$Y^2 \leq \frac{90}{64}A^2 + \frac{10}{24^2}B^2. \quad (6)$$

Moreover, from equations

$$(1-\theta)a^2 + \theta b^2 - ((1-\theta)a + \theta b)^2 = (1-\theta)\theta(a-b)^2,$$

$$3(1+\theta)a^2 + 3(2-\theta)b^2 - ((1+\theta)a + (2-\theta)b)^2 = (1+\theta)(2-\theta)(a-b)^2$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} ((1-\theta)a + \theta b)^2 &\leq (1-\theta)a^2 + \theta b^2, \\ ((1+\theta)a + (2-\theta)b)^2 &\leq 3(1+\theta)a^2 + 3(2-\theta)b^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus from (6) we get

$$Y^2 \leq \frac{90}{64} ((1-\theta)y_k^2 + \theta y_{k+1}^2) + \frac{10}{24^2} (3(1+\theta)y_{k+2}^2 + 3(2-\theta)y_{k-1}^2),$$

which proves the validity of Lemma 1. \square

Let us pass now to the construction of a weighted function. Let

$$\beta_i = \begin{cases} (2-\theta)ih + \theta + 1 - 3\xi, & i \leq k-1, \\ (1+\theta)(1-(k+2)h), & i = k, k+1, \\ (\theta+1)(1-ih), & i \geq k+2, \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma_i = \begin{cases} (1 - \sigma)ih + m - \xi, & i \leq k, \\ \sigma(1 - ih), & i \geq k + 1, \end{cases}$$

where σ is undefined yet parameter. It can be verified that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{\bar{x}_1 x_1, i} &= -\frac{2 - \theta}{h} \delta_{i, k-1} - \frac{1 + \theta}{h} \delta_{i, k+2}, \\ \gamma_{\bar{x}_1 x_1, i} &= -\frac{1 - \theta}{h} \delta_{i, k} - \frac{\theta}{h} \delta_{i, k+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_{\cdot, \cdot}$ is the Kronecker symbol.

Choose

$$\rho_i = c_1 \beta_i + c_2 \gamma_i, \quad c_1 = \frac{5}{96}, \quad c_2 = \frac{45}{32}. \quad (7)$$

Then the identity

$$h \rho_{\bar{x}_1 x_1, i} = -c_1 ((2 - \theta) \delta_{i, k-1} + (1 + \theta) \delta_{i, k+2}) - c_2 ((1 - \theta) \delta_{i, k} + \theta \delta_{i, k+1}) \quad (8)$$

holds.

Lemma 2. *Let*

$$\frac{25}{16} \xi < c_1(1 + \theta) + c_2 \sigma \leq \frac{1}{\alpha^2}.$$

Then for every mesh function $y(x)$ satisfying the conditions (3), the estimate

$$-(y_{\bar{x}_1 x_1}, y)_\rho \geq c \|y_{\bar{x}_1}\|_\rho^2$$

is valid.

Proof. Let us first show that in the conditions of the lemma the inequality

$$\rho_{n-1} y^2(1, x_2) + h^2 \sum_{\omega_1} \rho_{\bar{x}_1 x_1, i} y^2 \leq 0. \quad (9)$$

is valid.

Indeed, according to (8), we have

$$h \sum_{\omega_1} \rho_{\bar{x}_1 x_1, i} y^2 = -c_1 ((2 - \theta) y_{k-1}^2 + (1 + \theta) y_{k+2}^2) - c_2 ((1 - \theta) y_k^2 + \theta y_{k+1}^2).$$

Taking also into account Lemma 1, we can see that for the fulfilment of (9) it suffices that $\rho_{n-1} \alpha^2 \leq h$, that is,

$$(c_1(1 + \theta) + c_2 \sigma) \alpha^2 \leq 1.$$

Let now

$$\frac{25}{16} \xi < c_1(1 + \theta) + c_2 \sigma.$$

In such a case, ρ_0 turns out to be positive, and since $\rho_{\bar{x}_1 x_1} \leq 0$, we have $\rho_i > 0$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$.

Using summation by parts, we obtain

$$-\sum_{\omega_1} h \rho y_{\bar{x}_1 x_1} y = \sum_{\omega_1^+} h \bar{\rho} y_{\bar{x}_1}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\rho_{n-1} y^2(1, x_2) + h^2 \sum_{\omega_1} y^2 \rho_{\bar{x}_1 x_1} \right), \quad \bar{\rho}_i = 0.5(\rho_i + \rho_{i-1}),$$

which together with (9) proves Lemma 2. \square

It is proved that auxiliary weight function $\rho(x_1)$ is equivalent to $r(x_1)$.

Using procedure proposed in [1], we obtain the following

Theorem 1. *The finite difference scheme (2), (3) is uniquely solvable and its convergence rate is determined by the estimate*

$$\|y - u\|_{W_2^1(\omega, \rho)} \leq ch^4 \|u\|_{W_2^5(\Omega)}.$$

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