

# Scientific Computing 16/17, Homework #2

Please return this assignment by Friday, Nov. 25. Please send a zip or tgz file by e-mail to [juergen.fuhrmann@wias-berlin.de](mailto:juergen.fuhrmann@wias-berlin.de) which contains the source code and a pdf describing your answer. Please prefix file names with your last names, e.g. Müller-Nguyen-HA2.tgz.

## 1. Problem description

Given:

- Domain  $\Omega = (0, 1)$
- outer normal  $\mathbf{n}$
- Right hand side  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f = 1$
- “Conductivity”  $\lambda = 1$
- Boundary value  $v : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, v = 0$
- Transfer coefficient  $\alpha = 1$

Search function  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot \lambda \nabla u &= f && \text{in } \Omega \\ -\lambda \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n} + \alpha(u - v) &= 0 && \text{on } \Gamma \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Tasks

1. Calculate the exact solution of this problem
  - What is the limit of this solution for  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ ?
2. Implement the finite volume discretization as a linear tridiagonal system on an equidistributed mesh with  $N = 2^k + 1$  points with  $k = 8 \dots 16$  Use the numcxx library or another equivalent tool for this purpose.
  - The library is now available via the [course homepage](#).
  - Hint: have a look at the slides of [lecture 06](#).
3. Use different solution strategies to solve the resulting linear system of equations:
  - a) TDMA (Progonka)
  - b) Dense matrix direct solver (e.g. LAPACK via numcxx)
  - c) Sparse matrix direct solver (e.g. UMFPACK via numcxx)
  - d) Iterative solver (e.g. Jacobi via numcxx)
    - Check the results against the exact solution. What happens if  $N$  is increased?
    - Provide timings. Which method is the fastest?
    - Hint: use e.g. `numcxx::cpu_clock()`
    - What happens for values of the transfer coefficient  $\alpha = 1, 10, 100, 1.0 \cdot 10^5, 1.0 \cdot 10^{10}, 1.0 \cdot 10^{20}$ ?