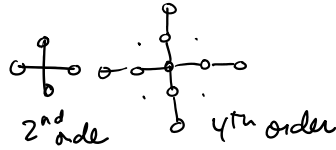


Recall  $\nabla^2 \phi = \rho$



Now let  $L_h \Phi_h = \rho_h$ ,  $L$  be a linear operator on  $\Phi$   
( $h$  is the mesh size)

Let  $\tilde{\Phi}_h$  denote some approximate solution of the above and let  $\Phi_h$  be the exact solution  
 $\Phi_h = L_h^{-1} \rho_h$  (solved via linear algebra)

Then consider the correction to the solution given by,

$$v_h = \Phi_h - \tilde{\Phi}_h,$$

and the residual (or defect) be,

$$d_h = L_h \tilde{\Phi}_h - \rho_h$$

Then  $d_h = L_h \tilde{\Phi}_h - L_h \Phi_h$

$$d_h = L_h (\tilde{\Phi}_h - \Phi_h) \quad \text{since } L \text{ is linear}$$

$$\boxed{L_h v_h = -d_h}$$

• For the Laplace equation  $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$   $\rho_h = 0$   
So  $d_h = L_h \tilde{\Phi}_h$  in this case,

Iterative methods do this by using Jacobi or Gauss-Seidel to iterate

$$L_h \hat{v}_h = -d_h \quad \text{for SOR } w > 1 \quad \text{for } N \text{ mesh points}$$

e.g.  $\hat{v}_i = -\frac{1}{L_{ii}} \left( \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^{N-1} L_{ij} \hat{v}_j + d_i \right)$   
i-th mesh point of  $\hat{v}_h$



Then the next approximation is  $\hat{v}_h$

$$\Phi_n = \Phi_n + v_n$$

Coarsening the grid: approximate the operator by coarsening

$$\boxed{L_H v_H = -d_H}$$

where  $H$  is a coarse mesh representation.

Typically we use  $H = 2h$ .

Since  $L_H$  is of smaller dimension it will be easier to solve (Recall SOR scales as  $N^{1.5}$  if  $M \times M$  mesh  $\rightarrow N^3$ )

$\hookrightarrow$  so 8x faster in 3-D

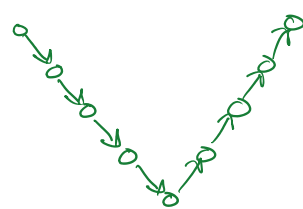
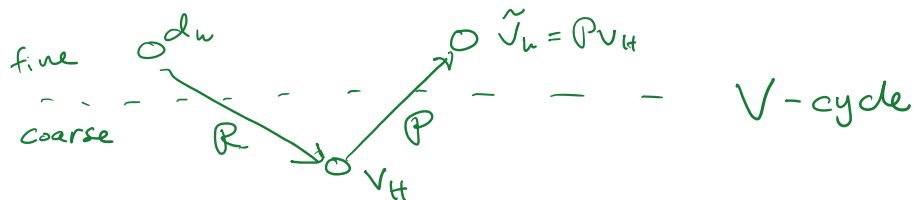
Now, how do we get the coarse version of the defect? This is called restriction,  $R$ .

$$d_H = R d_n$$

After we solve for the correction,  $v_H$ , we need to map it back to the fine grid. This is called prolongation,  $P$ .

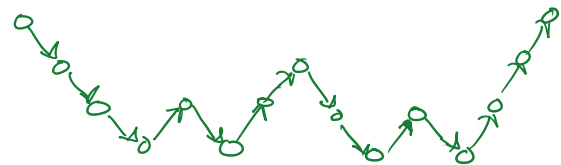
$$\tilde{v}_n = P v_H$$

$$\text{Finally } \Phi_n^{\text{new}} = \tilde{\Phi}_n + \tilde{v}_n$$



you can nest the V-cycles

or nesting 2 V-cycles  $\rightarrow$  W-cycle



Steps: ① Pre-smoothing: compute  $\bar{\Phi}_n$  by applying a few steps of regular relaxation (G-S, SOR...) to  $\Phi_n$

② Coarse grid correction

- Compute defect on fine grid  $d_n$
- Restrict  $d_H = R d_n$

c) "Solve for correction" (recursive)

$$\mathcal{L} v_H = -d_H$$

d) Prolong  $\tilde{v}_n = P v_H$

e) Compute next approx:  $\tilde{\Phi}_n = \tilde{\Phi}_n + \tilde{v}_n$

③ Post smoother  $\tilde{\Phi}_n^{\text{new}}$ .

$R$  and  $P$ :  $d_n = P R d_H$

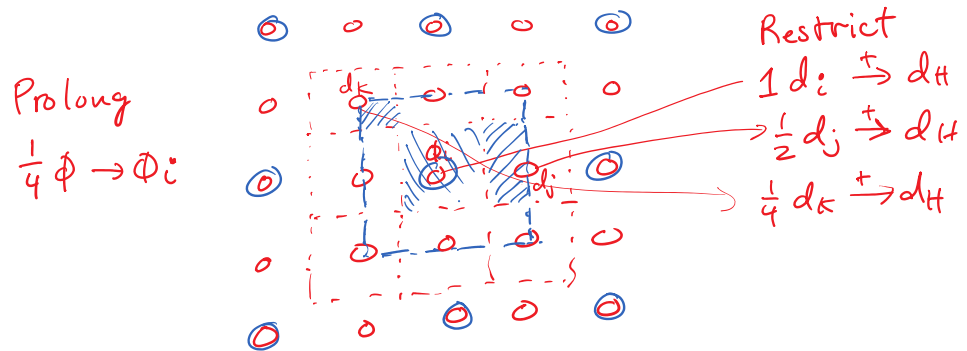
from which  $R = P^T$ , the adjoint operator to prolongation

For:  $\mathcal{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $R = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$

$$P = \frac{1}{4} R^T = \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} \text{same} \\ \text{same} \\ \text{same} \end{bmatrix}$$

$P$  here is 2<sup>nd</sup> order operator, so is  $R$  and also  $\mathcal{L}$

Make sure  $O(P) + O(R) > O(\mathcal{L})$   
 $2 + 2 > 2$  ✓



★ What about boundary conditions?

Let's assume that the BC lies on both the coarse and fine grid points

BC. on left points

$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{16} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{8} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{16} \end{bmatrix}$$