


Alternating direction implicit method for Poisson equation with integral conditions

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Abstract. In this paper, we investigate the convergence of the Peaceman-Rachford Alternating Direction Implicit method for the system of difference equations, approximating the two-dimensional elliptic equations in rectangular domain with nonlocal integral conditions. The main goal of the paper is the analysis of spectrum structure of difference eigenvalue problem with nonlocal conditions. The convergence of iterative method is proved in the case when the system of eigenvectors is complete. The main results are generalized for the system of difference equations, approximating the differential problem with truncation error $\mathcal{O}(h^4)$.

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1 Introduction

Boundary value problems for differential equations with various types of nonlocal conditions are currently being studied quite intensively in the theory of differential equations and numerical analysis.

The study of numerical methods for elliptic equations with nonlocal conditions is strongly influenced by two causes. Firstly, over the past few decades, new mathematical models with nonlocal conditions have been developed for applications in physics, thermoelasticity, ecology, biotechnology, etc. Secondly, investigating the problems of pure mathematics, several scientific articles have been published on the generalization of classical boundary conditions for elliptic equations [6, 10].

The first results on the solution of a two-dimensional elliptic equation with a nonlocal condition were obtained in [14, 15, 23, 25]. This condition was later named the Bitsadze–Samarskii nonlocal condition. These papers began to in-

investigate iterative methods for system of difference equations with nonlocal conditions. We note one characteristic feature of such systems. Due to the nonlocal condition, the matrix of the system of difference equations is not symmetric. But quite often it has some nice properties, for example, all the eigenvalues of the matrix are positive.

Many articles are devoted to the estimation of the error of the finite difference method and the convergence of elliptic equations with various types of nonlocal conditions [2, 7, 15, 28, 29, 30]. The alternating direction method for system of difference equations with nonlocal conditions is examined in the papers [20, 21, 27]. In many cases, the matrix of system of difference equations has properties which are typical to M-matrices. Therefore, the theory of M-matrices can be applied to the study and solution of problems with nonlocal conditions [11, 19, 22, 27]. The works [1, 12, 13, 24] are devoted to high-precision finite difference methods for the simplest elliptic equations with nonlocal conditions.

We consider the nonlocal boundary value problem for two-dimensional Poisson equation in rectangular domain

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = -f(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in \Omega = \{0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < y < 1\}, \quad (1.1)$$

with the following integral and Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\int_0^{\xi_1} u(x, y) dx = \nu_a(y), \quad \int_{\xi_2}^1 u(x, y) dx = \nu_b(y), \quad (1.2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = \nu_c(x), \quad u(x, 1) = \nu_d(x), \quad (1.3)$$

where $0 < \xi_1 < 1$, $0 < \xi_2 < 1$. Let us consider, all three cases that are possible: $\xi_1 < \xi_2$, $\xi_1 = \xi_2$ and $\xi_1 > \xi_2$.

The purpose of this article is to study the Peaceman-Rachford Alternating Direction Implicit (ADI) method for a system of difference equations approximating a differential problem (1.1)–(1.3). To the best of the authors' knowledge, iterative methods for the system of difference equations in the case of nonlocal conditions (1.2) have not been studied.

To examine the convergence conditions for the ADI method, we analyze in sufficient detail the structure of the spectrum of the corresponding difference problem. The structure of the spectrum for a differential problem with other types of nonlocal conditions is considered in many papers (see, for example, [16, 17, 20, 21, 23, 26]). As in previous our papers [20, 21, 27], we proved the convergence of ADI method in the case of the system of eigenvectors is complete. But in the present paper we take some comments and examples about the convergence of ADI method without this condition.

The further structure of this paper is as follows. The difference problem corresponding to the differential problem is formulated in Section 2, where the ADI method is also introduced. The structure of the spectrum of difference problems is discussed in Section 3. The convergence of the ADI method is demonstrated in Section 4. In Section 5, a higher order finite difference method

is considered. In Section 6, numerical results are provided to verify the accuracy and efficiency of the proposed algorithms. The last Section 7 presents comments and conclusions.

2 Difference problem

Consider a uniform mesh in x and y with step size $h = 1/N$ ($1 < N \in \mathbb{N}$):

$$\bar{\omega}_x^h := \{x_i = ih, i = \overline{0, N}\}; \quad \bar{\omega}_y^h := \{y_j = jh, j = \overline{0, N}\}, \quad \bar{\omega}^h := \bar{\omega}_x^h \times \bar{\omega}_y^h.$$

We use the following notation

$$\delta_x^2 U_{ij} := \frac{U_{i-1,j} - 2U_{ij} + U_{i+1,j}}{h^2}, \quad \delta_y^2 U_{ij} := \frac{U_{i,j-1} - 2U_{ij} + U_{i,j+1}}{h^2}.$$

Let us replace the differential problem (1.1)–(1.3) with the following difference problem on the mesh $\bar{\omega}^h$

$$-\delta_x^2 U_{ij} - \delta_y^2 U_{ij} = F_{ij}, \quad i, j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (2.1)$$

$$h \left(\frac{U_{0j} + U_{rj}}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} U_{ij} \right) = \mu_j^a, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (2.2)$$

$$h \left(\frac{U_{sj} + U_{Nj}}{2} + \sum_{i=s+1}^{N-1} U_{ij} \right) = \mu_j^b, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (2.3)$$

$$U_{i0} = \mu_i^c, \quad U_{iN} = \mu_i^d, \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (2.4)$$

The integral conditions (1.2) are approximated by the trapezoidal rule. For simplicity, we assume that the values ξ_1 and ξ_2 are such that $\xi_1 = rh$ and $\xi_2 = sh$, $r, s \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 < r < N$, $0 < s < N$. Assume that N , r and s are even numbers. Note, that it is not a strong restriction, as we can always halve the step size h .

The existence and uniqueness of the solution of the differential problem (1.1)–(1.3) are investigated in [4, 5]. The error estimate and convergence of the solution of the finite difference method are presented in [8, 9].

The corresponding difference scheme for this problem under the condition that the desired solution belongs to the Sobolev space W_2^s ($1 < s \leq 3$) has been investigated in [9].

The system (2.1)–(2.4) has $N(N-1)$ equations (2.1)–(2.3) and the same number of unknowns U_{ij} , $i = \overline{0, N-1}$, $j = \overline{1, N-1}$. First of all, for theoretical study we will write the system (2.1)–(2.4) in a more compact matrix form

$$\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{U} = \Phi, \quad (2.5)$$

where $\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2$ are $(N-1)^2$ order matrices and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U} &:= (U_{11}, \dots, U_{N-1,1}, U_{12}, \dots, U_{N-1,N-1})^T, \\ \Phi &:= (\Phi_{11}, \dots, \Phi_{N-1,1}, \Phi_{12}, \dots, \Phi_{N-1,N-1})^T \end{aligned}$$

are $(N-1)^2$ -vectors. For this purpose, we will express for each $j = \overline{1, N-1}$ the unknowns U_{0j} and U_{Nj} from nonlocal conditions (2.2)–(2.3) through remaining unknowns U_{ij} , $i = \overline{1, N-1}$:

$$U_{0j} = -U_{rj} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} U_{ij} + 2h^{-1}\mu_j^a, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (2.6)$$

$$U_{Nj} = -U_{sj} - 2 \sum_{i=s+1}^{N-1} U_{ij} + 2h^{-1}\mu_j^b, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}. \quad (2.7)$$

Putting expressions (2.6)–(2.7) into Equation (2.1) as $i = 1$ or $i = N-1$, we get new system of equations, the order of which and the number of the unknowns U_{ij} , $i, j = \overline{1, N-1}$ are equal to $(N-1)^2$:

$$h^{-2} \left(2 \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} U_{ij} + U_{rj} + 2U_{1j} - U_{2j} \right) - \delta_y^2 U_{1j} = \Phi_{1j} := F_{1j} + 2h^{-3}\mu_j^a, \quad (2.8)$$

$$- \delta_x^2 U_{ij} - \delta_y^2 U_{ij} = \Phi_{ij} := F_{ij}, \quad i = \overline{2, N-2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} h^{-2} (-U_{N-2,j} + 2U_{N-1,j} + U_{sj} + 2 \sum_{i=s+1}^{N-1} U_{ij}) - \delta_y^2 U_{N-1,j} \\ = \Phi_{N-1,j} := F_{N-1,j} + 2h^{-3}\mu_j^b, \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

where $j = \overline{1, N-1}$. The system (2.8)–(2.9) together with (2.6)–(2.7) and boundary conditions (2.4) is equivalent to the system (2.1)–(2.4).

Next, we will consider the system (2.8)–(2.9), (2.4). We will write the system (2.1)–(2.4) in the matrix form (2.5). For this purpose let us define matrices of order $(N-1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{\Lambda} &= \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \cdots & 0 & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & & & -1 & 2 & \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.10) \\ \mathbf{C} &= \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & r-1 & r & r+1 & \cdots & s-1 & s & s+1 & \cdots & N-1 \\ 2 & 2 & \cdots & 2 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 2 & \cdots & 2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that only the first and the last row of matrix \mathbf{C} are non-zero. Here we indicate the column numbers on top of the matrix. Let us denote

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_x := \mathbf{\Lambda} + \mathbf{C}, \quad \mathbf{\Lambda}_y := \mathbf{\Lambda}.$$

The system (2.1)–(2.4) can be written in matrix form (2.5) using matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_1 := \mathbf{I}_y \otimes \mathbf{\Lambda}_x = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{\Lambda}_x & & & \\ & \mathbf{\Lambda}_x & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \mathbf{\Lambda}_x \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.11)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_2 := \mathbf{\Lambda}_y \otimes \mathbf{I}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 2\mathbf{I}_y & -\mathbf{I}_y & & & \\ -\mathbf{I}_y & 2\mathbf{I}_y & -\mathbf{I}_y & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & -\mathbf{I}_y & 2\mathbf{I}_y & -\mathbf{I}_y \\ & & & -\mathbf{I}_y & 2\mathbf{I}_y \end{pmatrix},$$

where \mathbf{I}_x and \mathbf{I}_y are the identity matrices of order $(N-1)$ (in our case of square domain $\mathbf{I}_x = \mathbf{I}_y$).

Our main goal is to study the ADI method for solving a system of difference equations. We write the ADI method for system (2.5):

$$\frac{\mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} - \mathbf{U}^n}{\tau_n^1} + \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} + \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{U}^n = \Phi,$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{U}^{n+1} - \mathbf{U}^{n+1/2}}{\tau_n^2} + \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} + \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{U}^{n+1} = \Phi. \quad (2.12)$$

where $\tau_n^1, \tau_n^2, n = 1, \dots$ are iteration parameters. We give a explicit formula for determining iteration parameters in Section 4.

3 The structure of the spectrum of the difference problem

Proof of the convergence of the method (2.12) is based on the structure of the spectrum of the one-dimensional eigenvalue problems. We consider two difference eigenvalue problems. First of these is problem with nonlocal boundary conditions:

$$-\frac{v_{i-1} - 2v_i + v_{i+1}}{h^2} = \eta v_i, \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$\frac{v_0 + v_r}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} v_i = 0, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\frac{v_s + v_N}{2} + \sum_{i=s+1}^{N-1} v_i = 0. \quad (3.3)$$

The second problem is classical problem:

$$-\frac{w_{j-1} - 2w_j + w_{j+1}}{h^2} = \mu w_j, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (3.4)$$

$$w_0 = 0, \quad w_N = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

In problem with nonlocal conditions we express v_0 and v_N from (3.2)–(3.3) and substitute into (3.1). So we get

$$\Lambda_x \mathbf{v} = \eta \mathbf{v}, \quad \mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_{N-1})^T. \quad (3.6)$$

We can write the problem (3.4)–(3.5) in matrix form

$$\Lambda_y \mathbf{w} = \mu \mathbf{w}, \quad \mathbf{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_{N-1})^T. \quad (3.7)$$

The problem (3.7) has known solution

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_l &= \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \frac{\pi l h}{2}, & l &= \overline{1, N-1}, \\ \mathbf{w}^l &= (w_1^l, \dots, w_{N-1}^l)^T, & w_j^l &= \sin(\pi l j h), & j, l &= \overline{1, N-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

We will find eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the problem (3.6). As far as we know, this problem has not been investigated.

Lemma 1. *The eigenvalues of the problem (3.6), which satisfy conditions*

$$0 < \eta_k < \frac{4}{h^2},$$

can be expressed in the form

$$\eta_k = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \frac{\alpha_k h}{2}, \quad k = \overline{1, N-3}, \quad (3.9)$$

where α_k is root of any of equations

$$\sin \frac{\alpha(1-\xi_2)}{2} = 0, \quad \sin \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} = 0, \quad \sin \frac{\alpha(1-\xi_1+\xi_2)}{2} = 0.$$

Eigenvectors \mathbf{v}^k can be expressed as

$$v_i^k = c_1 \cos(\alpha_k i h) + c_2 \sin(\alpha_k i h), \quad (3.10)$$

where (c_1, c_2) is nontrivial solution of system

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 h \frac{\sin(\alpha \xi_1)}{2 \tan \frac{\alpha h}{2}} + c_2 h \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha \xi_1)}{2 \tan \frac{\alpha h}{2}} &= 0, \\ c_1 h \frac{\sin \alpha - \sin(\alpha \xi_2)}{2 \tan \frac{\alpha h}{2}} + c_2 h \frac{\cos(\alpha \xi_2) - \cos \alpha}{2 \tan \frac{\alpha h}{2}} &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

in the case $\alpha = \alpha_k$.

Proof. The inequality

$$\left| 1 - \frac{\eta h^2}{2} \right| < 1$$

is satisfied for $0 < \eta < 4/h^2$ in Equation (3.1). So let us denote

$$\cos(\alpha h) = 1 - \frac{\eta h^2}{2}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{h},$$

where α is a new parameter instead of η . Then general solution of Equation (3.1) can be written in form of (3.8). This solution must obey conditions (3.2) and (3.3). Putting the expression (3.10) into (3.2) and (3.3) after some elementary rearrangements we get (3.11).

Eigenvectors are defined by (3.10). So, $v_i \neq 0$, namely $c_1^2 + c_2^2 \neq 0$. It means that determinant D of the system (3.11) must be equal to zero. After some calculations we have

$$D = 4 \sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2)}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1)}{2} = 0.$$

So, the statement of Lemma follows from here.

For even numbers r, s and N ($rh = \xi_1, sh = \xi_2, Nh = 1$)

- equation $\sin \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} = 0$ has $\frac{r}{2} - 1$ different roots,
- equation $\sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_2)}{2} = 0$ has $\frac{N}{2} - \frac{s}{2} - 1$ different roots,
- equation $\sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2)}{2} = 0$ has $\frac{N}{2} - \frac{r}{2} + \frac{s}{2} - 1$ different roots.

There are $N - 3$ roots.

$$\alpha_k = \frac{2\pi k}{\xi_1}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{r}{2} - 1, \quad (3.12)$$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{2\pi k}{1 - \xi_2}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - \frac{s}{2} - 1, \quad (3.13)$$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{2\pi k}{1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - \frac{r}{2} + \frac{s}{2} - 1. \quad (3.14)$$

□

Remark 1. In each of the formulas (3.12)–(3.14), the roots are different. However, the eigenvalue (3.9)

$$\eta_k = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \frac{\alpha_k h}{2}, \quad k = \overline{1, N-3},$$

can be multiple if some of the roots of different formulas coincide. For example, in the case $\xi_1 = 1 - \xi_2$ the equations (3.12) and (3.13) have the same roots. In this case, the eigenvalues are multiples, and the system of eigenvectors may not be complete.

Lemma 2. *In the case of even numbers r, s and N*

$$\eta = \frac{4}{h^2} \quad (3.15)$$

is the eigenvalue of the problem (3.6) of multiplicity 2 with two linearly independent corresponding eigenvectors \mathbf{v}^1 and \mathbf{v}^2 :

$$v_i^1 = (-1)^i i h, \quad v_i^2 = (-1)^i, \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}. \quad (3.16)$$

Proof. The general solution of Equation (3.1) in the case $\eta = 4/h^2$ is

$$v_i = (-1)^i(c_1 + c_2 ih), \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}. \quad (3.17)$$

Putting this expression into conditions (3.2) and (3.3) we have that these conditions are satisfied with all values of c_1 and c_2 , if N , r and s are even. So, it is possible to choose constants c_1 and c_2 such that two linearly independent eigenvectors are defined by formula (3.17), corresponding to eigenvalue (3.15). In particular, those are vectors (3.16). \square

Corollary 1. It follows from Lemmas 1 and 2 that all $N - 1$ eigenvalues of the difference eigenvalue problem (3.6) are positive. Depending on ξ_1 and ξ_2 the system of eigenvectors may be complete or not.

4 The convergence of the ADI method

Let us write the iterative method (2.12) as a matrix equation

$$\mathbf{U}^{n+1} = \mathbf{S}_n \mathbf{U}^n + \Psi, \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$\mathbf{S}_n = (\mathbf{I} + \tau_n^2 \mathbf{A}_2)^{-1} (\mathbf{I} - \tau_n^2 \mathbf{A}_1) (\mathbf{I} + \tau_n^1 \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1} (\mathbf{I} - \tau_n^1 \mathbf{A}_2), \quad (4.2)$$

where $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{I}_y \otimes \mathbf{I}_x$ is the identity matrix of order $(N - 1)^2$. We will prove that spectral radius $\varrho(\mathbf{S}_n) < 1$.

Lemma 3. \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 are commuting matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{A}_2 = \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{A}_1.$$

Proof. It is easy to check that

$$\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{A}_2 = \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{A}_1 = \Lambda_y \otimes \Lambda_x = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{pmatrix} 2\Lambda_x & -\Lambda_x & & & \mathbf{O} \\ -\Lambda_x & 2\Lambda_x & -\Lambda_x & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & -\Lambda_x & 2\Lambda_x & -\Lambda_x \\ & \mathbf{O} & & -\Lambda_x & 2\Lambda_x \end{pmatrix}.$$

Using eigenvectors \mathbf{v}^k , \mathbf{w}^l , $k, l = \overline{1, N-1}$ of the eigenvalue problems (3.1)–(3.3) and (3.4)–(3.5) we define vectors

$$\mathbf{U}^{kl} = \mathbf{w}^l \otimes \mathbf{v}^k, \quad \text{where } U_{ij}^{kl} = v_i^k w_j^l, \quad i, j = \overline{1, N-1}. \quad (4.3)$$

\square

Lemma 4. Matrices \mathbf{A}_1 , \mathbf{A}_2 , $\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2$, $\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{A}_2$ and $\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{A}_1$ have the same system of eigenvectors (not necessarily full) $\mathbf{U}^{kl} = \mathbf{w}^l \otimes \mathbf{v}^k$.

Proof. It follows from definition of \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{U}^{kl} by formulas (2.11) and (4.3) that

$$\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{U}^{kl} = \eta_k \mathbf{U}^{kl}. \quad (4.4)$$

Furthermore, η and \mathbf{v} are eigenvalue and eigenvector of matrix $\mathbf{\Lambda}_x$; μ and \mathbf{w} are eigenvalue and eigenvector of matrix $\mathbf{\Lambda}_y$. So, from properties of tensor product we obtain that

$$(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2) \mathbf{U}^{kl} = (\mathbf{I}_y \otimes \mathbf{\Lambda}_x + \mathbf{\Lambda}_y \otimes \mathbf{I}_x)(\mathbf{w}^l \otimes \mathbf{v}^k) = (\mu_k + \eta_l) \mathbf{U}^{kl}. \quad (4.5)$$

According to Lemma 1

$$(\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{A}_2) \mathbf{U}^{kl} = (\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{A}_1) \mathbf{U}^{kl} = (\mathbf{\Lambda}_y \otimes \mathbf{\Lambda}_x) \mathbf{U}^{kl} = \mu_k \eta_l \mathbf{U}^{kl}.$$

It follows from (4.4) and (4.5) that

$$\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{U}^{kl} = \eta_l \mathbf{U}^{kl}. \quad \square$$

Remark 2. We note that the system of eigenvectors $\mathbf{w}^l, l = 1, \dots, N-1$ is always complete. So, if the system of eigenvectors $\mathbf{v}^k, k = 1, \dots, N-1$ is complete, then the system of eigenvectors $\mathbf{U}^{kl} = \mathbf{w}^l \otimes \mathbf{v}^k$ is complete, too. It follows from properties of tensor product.

Now, we can prove the statement on convergence of the iterative method.

Theorem 1. *If $\tau_n^1 = \tau_n^2 =: \tau_n$, where $\tau_n \in [\beta_1, \beta_2]$, $\beta_1 > 0$, $\beta_2 < \infty$, and the system of eigenvectors of the problem (3.6) is complete, then ADI method converges.*

Proof. Let be \mathbf{U}^* the solution of the difference problem (2.1)–(2.4). We denote the error of iterative method as

$$\mathbf{Z}^n := \mathbf{U}^* - \mathbf{U}^n.$$

From (4.1) and Remark 2 follows that

$$\mathbf{Z}^{n+1} = \mathbf{S}_n \mathbf{Z}^n = \prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j} \mathbf{Z}^0 = \sum_{k,l=1}^{N-1} c_{kl} \cdot \prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j} \mathbf{U}^{kl}.$$

Hence, for any vector norm we have

$$\|\mathbf{Z}^{n+1}\| \leq \varrho\left(\prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j}\right) \sum_{k,l=1}^{N-1} |c_{kl}| \|\mathbf{U}^{kl}\|. \quad (4.6)$$

Let us estimate the factor $\varrho(\prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j})$ and prove that it tends to 0 when $n \rightarrow \infty$. It means that the ADI method converges.

Since \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 commute and have the same system of eigenvectors, then

$$\lambda\left(\prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j}\right) = \prod_{j=0}^n \lambda(\mathbf{S}_{n-j}), \quad \varrho\left(\prod_{j=0}^n \mathbf{S}_{n-j}\right) = \prod_{j=0}^n \varrho(\mathbf{S}_{n-j}).$$

From Lemma 4 and (4.2), it follows that an eigenvalue of matrix \mathbf{S}_n

$$\lambda(\mathbf{S}_n) = \frac{(1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1))(1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_2))}{(1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1))(1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_2))}. \quad (4.7)$$

If taking concrete values τ_n and $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)$, the inequality $1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1) \geq 0$ is true, then

$$\left| \frac{1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)}{1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} \right| = \frac{1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)}{1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} \leq \frac{1 - \beta_1 \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)}{1 + \beta_1 \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} = \varrho_1 < 1,$$

here ϱ_1 depends only on β_1 and $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)$ but does not depend on n . Analogously, if $1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1) \leq 0$ then

$$\left| \frac{1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)}{1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} \right| = \frac{\tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1) - 1}{1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} \leq \frac{\beta_2 \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1) - 1}{1 + \beta_2 \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)} = \varrho_2 < 1,$$

where ϱ_2 depends only on β_2 and $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_2)$ but does not depend on n .

The second factor in the formula (4.7) is estimated similarly

$$\left| \frac{1 - \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_2)}{1 + \tau_n \lambda(\mathbf{A}_2)} \right| \leq \varrho_0 < 1,$$

where ϱ_0 depends on β_1 , β_2 and $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_2)$ but does not depend on n . Finally we get from (4.7)

$$\varrho(\mathbf{S}_n) = \max |\lambda(\mathbf{S}_n)| \leq \tilde{\varrho} < 1,$$

where $\tilde{\varrho}$ depends on β_1 , β_2 , $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_1)$ and $\lambda(\mathbf{A}_2)$ but does not depend on n . Because $\tilde{\varrho} < 1$ then

$$\prod_{j=0}^n \varrho(\mathbf{S}_{n-j}) \leq \tilde{\varrho}^{n+1} \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \quad \square$$

Remark 3. If parameters of ADI method τ_1 and τ_2 does not depend on n , then Theorem 1 is correct even without the assumption of completeness of the system of eigenvectors. We have that when $\tau_n^1 = \tau_n^2 \equiv \tau > 0$, then the iterative method is stationary

$$\mathbf{U}^{n+1} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{U}^n + \Psi, \quad (4.8)$$

where

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{I} + \tau \mathbf{A}_2)^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \tau \mathbf{A}_1)(\mathbf{I} + \tau \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \tau \mathbf{A}_2).$$

A necessary and sufficient condition for the convergence of a stationary process (4.8) with any initial data \mathbf{U}^0 is $\varrho(\mathbf{S}) \leq 1$.

It is known that when applying the ADI method, optimal parameters τ_n^1 and τ_n^2 are usually used.

For obtaining optimal set of iteration parameters in the case of commuting operators we suppose that eigenvalues of \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 satisfy inequalities

$$\delta_1 \leq \lambda(\mathbf{A}_1) \leq \Delta_1, \quad \delta_2 \leq \lambda(\mathbf{A}_2) \leq \Delta_2,$$

Following [18, Ch.X, §4], the set of ADI parameters by Jordan gives

$$\tau_1^n = \frac{qw_n + \varkappa}{1 + w_np}, \quad \tau_2^n = \frac{qw_n - \varkappa}{1 - w_np}, \quad n = \overline{1, m},$$

where m is number of iterations

$$m = m(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{1}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{4}{\varepsilon} \ln \frac{4}{\eta},$$

and we use notation

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{(\Delta_1 - \delta_1)(\Delta_2 - \delta_2)}{(\Delta_1 + \delta_2)(\Delta_2 + \delta_1)}}, \quad \kappa = \frac{(\Delta_1 - \delta_1)\Delta_2}{(\Delta_2 + \delta_1)\Delta_1}, \quad \varkappa = \frac{\Delta_1 - \Delta_2 + (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)p}{2\Delta_1\Delta_2},$$

$$\eta = \frac{1-t}{1+t}, \quad p = \frac{\kappa-t}{\kappa+t}, \quad q = \varkappa + \frac{1-p}{\Delta_1}$$

and

$$w_n = \frac{(1+2\theta)(1+\theta^\sigma)}{2\theta^{\sigma/2}(1+\theta^{1-\sigma}+\theta^{1+\sigma})}, \quad n = \overline{1, m},$$

where

$$\theta := \frac{1}{16}\eta^2(1 + \frac{1}{2}\eta^2), \quad \sigma := \sigma_n = \frac{2n-1}{2m}, \quad n = \overline{1, m}.$$

Such algorithm for the optimal choice of parameters τ_n^1 and τ_n^2 is proposed for the case of symmetric matrices \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 , that is, when the system of eigenvectors for the finite difference scheme is complete.

Let's briefly discuss what such a choice of parameters means in the case when the system of eigenvectors is incomplete (for problem (2.1)–(2.4)).

From the definition of the ADI method (2.12), it follows that

$$\mathbf{Z}^n = \mathbf{S}_{n-1}\mathbf{Z}^{n-1} = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{S}_{n-1-j}\mathbf{Z}^0, \quad (4.9)$$

where $\mathbf{Z}^n = \mathbf{U}^* - \mathbf{U}^n$ and \mathbf{U}^* is the exact solution of the finite difference problem.

Without details, we note that the choice of optimal parameters τ_n^1 and τ_n^2 is based on the solution of the minimax problem, namely the finding of the minimum value of the spectral radius of the matrix $\prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{S}_{n-1-j}$. Since for a symmetric matrix the spectral radius can be considered as the norm of the matrix, then in the case of symmetric matrices \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 , it follows from (4.9)

$$\|\mathbf{Z}^n\| \leq \varrho\left(\prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{S}_{n-1-j}\right)\|\mathbf{Z}^0\| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4.10)$$

However, if the system of eigenvectors of the finite difference problem (2.1)–(2.4) is incomplete, then (4.10) does not follow from (4.9). In this case, we can use the following statement from linear algebra [3].

Let \mathbf{A} be an arbitrary square matrix. If $\varepsilon > 0$ is given, then there is matrix norm $\|\mathbf{A}\|_*$ such that

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_* \leq \varrho(\mathbf{A}) + \varepsilon.$$

It means, particularly, that from inequality $\varrho(\mathbf{A}) + \varepsilon < 1$ follows $\|\mathbf{A}\|_* < 1$.

These arguments, in our opinion, are not proof of the convergence of the ADI method with optimal parameters. But, at least, this is a strong motivation for the corresponding numerical experiment with optimal parameters in the case when the system of eigenvectors is incomplete.

5 The higher-order method

Now, we will consider the difference problem approximating the differential problem (1.1)–(1.3) with truncation error $\mathcal{O}(h^4)$. So, let us replace the differential problem with the following difference problem

$$\begin{aligned} -(\delta_x^2 U_{ij} + \delta_y^2 U_{ij} + \frac{h^2}{6} \delta_x^2 \delta_y^2 U_{ij}) &= \tilde{F}_{ij}, \\ \tilde{F}_{ij} &= F_{ij} + \frac{h^2}{12} (\delta_x^2 + \delta_y^2) F_{ij}, \quad i, j = \overline{1, N-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

$$\frac{h}{3} \left(U_{0j} + U_{rj} + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{r/2} U_{2i-1,j} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{r/2-1} u_{2i,j} \right) = \mu_j^a, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (5.2)$$

$$\frac{h}{3} \left(U_{sj} + U_{Nj} + 4 \sum_{i=s/2+1}^{N/2} U_{2i-1,j} + 2 \sum_{i=s/2+1}^{N/2-1} U_{2i,j} \right) = \mu_j^b, \quad j = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (5.3)$$

$$U_{i0} = \mu_i^c, \quad U_{iN} = \mu_i^d, \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (5.4)$$

In this case one dimensional eigenvalue problem with nonlocal boundary conditions is

$$-\frac{v_{i-1} - 2v_i + v_{i+1}}{h^2} = \eta v_i, \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad (5.5)$$

$$\frac{h}{3} \left(v_0 + v_r + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{r}{2}} v_{2i-1} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{r}{2}-1} v_{2i} \right) = 0, \quad (5.6)$$

$$\frac{h}{3} \left(v_s + v_N + 4 \sum_{i=s+1}^{\frac{N}{2}} v_{2i-1} + 2 \sum_{i=s+1}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} v_{2i} \right) = 0. \quad (5.7)$$

We rewrite the eigenvalue problem (5.5)–(5.7) in equivalent matrix form. For this we express the values v_0 or v_N from the condition (5.6)–(5.7). Putting these expressions into Equation (5.5) we can rewrite problem (5.5)–(5.7) as follows

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_x \mathbf{v} = \eta \mathbf{v}. \quad (5.8)$$

Similarly, as in Section 2, we have $\mathbf{\Lambda}_x = \mathbf{\Lambda} + \mathbf{C}/h^2$, where $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is defined in (2.10) and \mathbf{C} is equal to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \cdots & r-1 & r & r+1 & \cdots & s-1 & s & s+1 & \cdots & N-2 & N-1 \\ 4 & 2 & 4 & \cdots & 4 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 4 & \cdots & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We note, that two eigenvalue problems (5.5)–(5.7) and (5.8) are equivalent.

Lemma 5. *The eigenvalues of the problem (5.5)–(5.7), which satisfy inequality $0 < \eta_k < 4/h^2$ can be expressed as*

$$\eta_k = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \frac{\alpha_k h}{2}, \quad k = \overline{1, N-3},$$

where α_k is root of any of equations

$$\sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_2)}{2} = 0, \quad \sin \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} = 0, \quad \sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2)}{2} = 0.$$

Proof. The proof is analogous to the proof of Lemma 1. Putting general solution of Equation (5.5)

$$v_i = c_1 \cos(\alpha i h) + c_2 \sin(\alpha i h), \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{h},$$

into the Equations (5.6)–(5.7) we get a system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h}{3} c_1 \sin(\alpha \xi_1) \frac{2 + \cos(\alpha h)}{\sin(\alpha h)} + \frac{h}{3} c_2 (1 - \cos \alpha \xi_1) \frac{2 + \cos(\alpha h)}{\sin(\alpha h)} &= 0, \\ \frac{h}{3} c_1 (\sin \alpha - \sin(\alpha \xi_2)) \frac{2 + \cos(\alpha h)}{\sin(\alpha h)} + \frac{h}{3} c_2 (1 - \cos(\alpha \xi_1)) \frac{2 + \cos(\alpha h)}{\sin(\alpha h)} &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

The system (5.9) is analogous to (3.11), only instead of a multiplier $\frac{1}{2} \tan \frac{\alpha h}{2} \neq 0$ there is another multiplier $(2 + \cos(\alpha h))/\sin(\alpha h) \neq 0$. The condition $D = 0$ in both cases means that

$$\sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2)}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} \sin \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1)}{2} = 0.$$

So, the statement of lemma follows from here. \square

Corollary 2. The eigenvalues of the problem (5.5)–(5.7) satisfying the inequalities $0 < \eta_k < 4/h^2$ are the same as for the problem (3.1)–(3.2) when the trapezoidal formula is used to approximate the integral condition.

Lemma 6. *In the case of even numbers n , s and N*

$$\eta = \frac{4}{h^2} \cosh^2 \frac{\alpha h}{2},$$

where α is root of equation

$$\cosh(\alpha h) = 2,$$

is the eigenvalue of the problem (5.5)–(5.7) of multiplicity 2 with two linearly independent corresponding eigenvectors \mathbf{v}^1 and \mathbf{v}^2 :

$$v_i^1 = (-1)^i \cosh(\alpha i h), \quad v_i^2 = (-1)^i \sinh(\alpha i h), \quad i = \overline{1, N-1},$$

where α is connected with η by formula

$$\cosh(\alpha h) = \frac{\eta h^2}{2} - 1.$$

Proof. In the case $\eta > 0$, the general solution of the Equation (5.5) is

$$v_i = (-1)^i (c_1 \cosh(\alpha i h) + c_2 \sinh(\alpha i h)), \quad i = \overline{1, N-1}.$$

After substitution this expression into conditions (5.6) and (5.7), we get the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h}{3} c_1 \sinh(\alpha \xi_1) \frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} + \frac{h}{3} c_2 (-1 + \cosh(\alpha \xi_1)) \frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} &= 0, \\ \frac{h}{3} c_1 (\sinh \alpha - \sinh(\alpha \xi_2)) \frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} &+ \frac{h}{3} c_2 (\cosh \alpha - \cosh(\alpha \xi_2)) \frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \frac{h^2}{9} \left(\frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} \right)^2 \begin{vmatrix} \sinh(\alpha \xi_1) & -1 + \cosh(\alpha \xi_1) \\ \sinh \alpha - \sinh(\alpha \xi_2) & \cosh \alpha - \cosh(\alpha \xi_2) \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{h^2}{9} \left(\frac{-2 + \cosh(\alpha h)}{\sinh(\alpha h)} \right)^2 4 \sinh \frac{\alpha(1 - \xi_1 + \xi_2)}{2} \sinh \frac{\alpha(\xi_2 - 1)}{2} \sinh \frac{\alpha \xi_1}{2} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So, $D = 0$ if $\cosh(\alpha h) = 2$ or $\alpha = \frac{\operatorname{arccosh} 2}{h}$. Then it follows that

$$\eta = \frac{4}{h^2} \sinh^2 \frac{\alpha h}{2}. \quad (5.10)$$

Now, we can conclude that there are two linearly independent vectors $\mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{v}^2$:

$$v_i^1 = (-1)^i \cosh(\alpha i h), \quad v_i^2 = (-1)^i \sinh(\alpha i h), \quad i = \overline{1, N-1},$$

corresponding to eigenvalue η , defined by (5.10). \square

Corollary 3. All $N - 1$ eigenvalues of the difference eigenvalue problem (5.5)–(5.7)

$$\eta_k = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \frac{\alpha_k h}{2}, \quad k = \overline{1, N-3}$$

from Lemma 5 and

$$\eta_{N-2} = \eta_{N-1} = \frac{4}{h^2} \cosh^2 \frac{\alpha h}{2}$$

from Lemma 6 are positive.

Now, we can formulate the alternating direction method for the system (5.1)–(5.4). We rewrite this system in the matrix form

$$(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{A}_2 - \frac{h^2}{6}\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{A}_2)\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{\Phi}, \quad (5.11)$$

where $\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{A}_x$, $\mathbf{A}_2 = \mathbf{A}_y \otimes \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{\Phi}(\mathbf{F}, \mu^a, \mu^b, \mu^c, \mu^d, h)$. The newly defined matrices \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 have all the same properties as the matrices defined by system (2.1)–(2.3). In other words, Lemmas 3 and 4 are true for the matrices of the system of Equations (5.1)–(5.4).

Since the matrices \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 commute, the system (5.11) can be written in another form

$$(\mathbf{I} - \kappa\mathbf{A}_2)\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{U} + (\mathbf{I} - \kappa\mathbf{A}_1)\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{\Phi}, \quad (5.12)$$

where $\kappa = h^2/12$. Further, we rewrite system (5.12) in equivalent form

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}}_1\mathbf{U} + \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2\mathbf{U} = \bar{\mathbf{\Phi}}, \quad (5.13)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{A}}_k &= \mathbf{A}_k(\mathbf{I} - \kappa\mathbf{A}_k)^{-1}, \quad k = 1, 2, \\ \bar{\mathbf{\Phi}} &= (\mathbf{I} - \kappa\mathbf{A}_1)^{-1}(\mathbf{I} - \kappa\mathbf{A}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{\Phi}, \end{aligned}$$

(see [21] for details).

Now, we write Peaceman-Rachford alternating direction method for the system (5.13):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} - \mathbf{U}^n}{\tau_n^1} + \bar{\mathbf{A}}_1\mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} + \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2\mathbf{U}^n &= \bar{\mathbf{\Phi}}, \\ \frac{\mathbf{U}^{n+1} - \mathbf{U}^{n+1/2}}{\tau_n^2} + \bar{\mathbf{A}}_1\mathbf{U}^{n+1/2} + \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2\mathbf{U}^{n+1} &= \bar{\mathbf{\Phi}}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.14)$$

We will notice that if all eigenvalues of the matrices \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 are positive, then all eigenvalues of the matrices $\bar{\mathbf{A}}_1$ and $\bar{\mathbf{A}}_2$ are also positive for sufficiently small values of h . Thus, it follows from Lemmas 5 and 6 that for method (5.8) the statements proven in Theorem 1 and Remark 3 are valid.

6 Numerical experiments

In the section, some numerical examples will be computed to verify the numerical accuracy and efficiency of difference schemes that we presented in the work. Truncation error analysis provides a widely applicable framework for analyzing the accuracy of finite difference schemes. We consider three illustrative examples. The first example deals with the second order difference scheme. The second and third examples demonstrate empirical verification of the truncation error for higher order difference scheme with or without a known exact solution, respectively.

We consider a model problem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} &= e^{\pi x} \sin(\pi y) + \frac{x^2 y^2}{2}, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega = \{0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < y < 1\}, \\ \int_0^{\xi_1} u(x, y) dx &= \frac{1}{6\pi} (\xi_1^3 y^2 \pi + 6 \sin(\pi y) e^{\pi \xi_1} - 6 \sin(\pi y)), \\ \int_{\xi_2}^1 u(x, y) dx &= -\frac{1}{6\pi} (\xi_2^3 y^2 \pi - y^2 \pi + 6 \sin(\pi y) e^{\pi \xi_2} - 6 \sin(\pi y) e^{\pi}), \\ u(x, 0) &= 0, \quad u(x, 1) = x^2/2, \end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \xi_1 < 1$, $0 < \xi_2 < 1$. The exact solution is

$$u = e^{\pi x} \sin(\pi y) + x^2 y^2 / 2.$$

We consider the uniform grids with the different mesh sizes $h = 1/2^k$, $k = 3, \dots, 7$ and analyze the convergence and the accuracy of the computed solution of the second and the fourth order difference schemes. Test problems were solved with the different values of the parameters ξ_1, ξ_2 .

We compute the maximum norm of the error of the numerical solution with respect to the exact solution, which is defined as

$$\varepsilon_h = \max_{j=1, \dots, n} \max_{i=1, \dots, n} |u(x_i, y_j) - u_{ij}|.$$

We define a number p as $p = \varepsilon_{2h} / \varepsilon_h$, which theoretically must be approximately $p \approx 4$ for the second order difference scheme and $p \approx 16$ for the fourth order difference scheme.

Example 1. The computational results for ADI method (2.12) are reported in Table 1. We can clearly observe a second-order convergence in the maximum norm for all presented choices of ξ_1 and ξ_2 . From the last two columns of Table 1 it is clear that the number of iterations of the ADI method is quite accurately proportional to the value of $\log(1/h)$. When we were planning a numerical experiment, this is what we wanted to check (see the last paragraph of Section 4). Please note that ξ_1 and ξ_2 are chosen so that $\xi_1 = 1 - \xi_2$, that is, the difference problem has multiple eigenvalues (see Corollary 1).

Example 2. The outputs for the different values of the pairs of parameters (ξ_1, ξ_2) , respectively, together with the experimental convergence order for higher-order difference scheme (5.1)–(5.4) are shown in Table 2. We demonstrate a fourth-order convergence in the maximum norm for all choices of ξ_1 and ξ_2 .

In the next example, we check that the empirically observed convergence rates in experiments coincide with the theoretical value of it found from truncation error analysis.

Table 1. Accuracy of the solution and the number of the iterations for the ADI method (2.12).

ξ_1	ξ_2	h	ε_h	p	number of iter.	$\log(1/h)$
0.25 Case $0 < \xi_1 < \xi_2 < 1$	0.75	$1/2^3$	0.3809		17	2.079
		$1/2^4$	0.09801	3.8863	22	2.773
		$1/2^5$	0.02468	3.9712	27	3.466
		$1/2^6$	0.006182	3.9922	33	4.159
		$1/2^7$	0.001546	3.9987	38	4.852
0.5 Case $0 < \xi_1 = \xi_2 < 1$	0.5	$1/2^3$	0.4385		15	2.079
		$1/2^4$	0.1128	3.8874	20	2.773
		$1/2^5$	0.02841	3.9704	25	3.466
		$1/2^6$	0.007116	3.9924	31	4.159
		$1/2^7$	0.001780	3.9978	36	4.852
0.75 Case $0 < \xi_2 < \xi_1 < 1$	0.25	$1/2^3$	0.4484		13	2.079
		$1/2^4$	0.1154	3.8856	18	2.773
		$1/2^5$	0.02906	3.9711	23	3.466
		$1/2^6$	0.007278	3.9929	29	4.159
		$1/2^7$	0.001820	3.9989	34	4.852

Table 2. Accuracy of the solution and the number of the iterations for the ADI method (5.14).

ξ_1	ξ_2	h	ε_h	p	number of iter.	$\log(1/h)$
0.25 Case $0 < \xi_1 < \xi_2 < 1$	0.75	0.125	$3.006 \cdot 10^{-3}$		24	2.079
		$1/2^4$	$1.903 \cdot 10^{-4}$	15.7961	31	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.193 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.9514	37	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.463 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9855	44	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.638 \cdot 10^{-8}$	16.0910	51	4.852
0.5 Case $0 < \xi_1 = \xi_2 < 1$	0.5	$1/2^3$	$3.009 \cdot 10^{-3}$		21	2.079
		$1/2^4$	$1.903 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.8119	28	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.193 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.9514	35	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.461 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9898	41	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.738 \cdot 10^{-8}$	15.7472	48	4.852
0.75 Case $0 < \xi_2 < \xi_1 < 1$	0.25	$1/2^3$	$3.010 \cdot 10^{-3}$		19	2.079
		$1/2^4$	$1.903 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.8171	26	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.193 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.9514	32	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.462 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9877	39	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.674 \cdot 10^{-8}$	15.9649	46	4.852

Example 3. We solve this problem as test problem without a known solution. We use Runge's rule for a practical error estimate for higher-order method. We performed numerical experiments with the scheme and compared results with the ones demonstrated in Table 2. As expected, there is a fourth-order convergence in the maximum norm for all choices of ξ_1 and ξ_2 . The results are recorded in Table 3.

Table 3. Accuracy of the solution and the number of the iterations for the ADI method (5.14) using Runge rule for error estimate.

ξ_1	ξ_2	h	ε_h	p	number of iter.	$\log(1/h)$
0.25	0.75	$1/2^4$	$1.87737299 \cdot 10^{-4}$		31	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.18900520 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.7894	37	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.45593983 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9471	44	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.66591776 \cdot 10^{-8}$	15.9796	51	4.852
		$0 < \xi_1 < \xi_2 < 1$				
0.5	0.5	$1/2^4$	$1.87922737 \cdot 10^{-4}$		28	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.18929493 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.8012	35	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.45647480 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9498	41	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.66055705 \cdot 10^{-8}$	15.9991	48	4.852
		$0 < \xi_1 = \xi_2 < 1$				
0.75	0.25	$1/2^4$	$1.87955101 \cdot 10^{-4}$		26	2.773
		$1/2^5$	$1.18934557 \cdot 10^{-5}$	15.8032	32	3.466
		$1/2^6$	$7.45651475 \cdot 10^{-7}$	15.9504	39	4.159
		$1/2^7$	$4.66640055 \cdot 10^{-8}$	15.9792	46	4.852
		$0 < \xi_2 < \xi_1 < 1$				

7 Conclusions

We have proven that for the second order and the fourth-order difference schemes, the spectrum of difference problem consists only from positive eigenvalues. The convergence of the ADI method is proven with an additional assumption that the system of eigenvectors of difference problem is complete. A numerical experiment showed that the ADI method with optimal parameters practically converges in all studied cases. In addition, it converges as quickly as in the case with Dirichlet conditions.

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