Homework 6

(Due Wednesday, May 12, 2010 - NO late assignments will be accepted)

- 1. Let A be the finite-element matrix that you found for the one-dimensional diffusion equation in HW 3, discretized on a uniform mesh with $n = 2^{\ell}$ unknowns (not counting the left endpoint). That is, A corresponds to the linear finite-element discretization of -u''(x) = f(x) on (0, 1) with u(0) = 0 and u'(1) = 0. Implement a two-grid scheme using linear interpolation and its transpose as restriction. Use your Gauss-Seidel code from HW5 as the relaxation procedure.
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- 3. Test the convergence of each of your methods by using them to solve Ax = 0 with a random initial guess for x. Plot the norms of the residual and error as a function of iteration for one realization of the initial guess. Also plot the relative reduction in residual norm per iteration, $\frac{\|0-Ax^{(\ell)}\|}{\|0-Ax^{\ell-1}\|}$. What can you say about the "asymptotic" convergence as ℓ gets large? Does this depend on n?