

Numerical Methods - Boundary Value Problems for PDEs

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Classification of Second Order Linear PDEs

- Consider a Linear Second Order PDE:

$$a \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + c \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = f \left(x, y, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right).$$

- The PDE is **hyperbolic** if $b^2 - 4ac > 0$:
 - Wave equation: $u_{tt} = c^2 \nabla^2 u$
- The PDE is **parabolic** if $b^2 - 4ac = 0$:
 - Heat equation: $u_t = k \nabla^2 u$
 - Diffusion equation: $u_t = \nabla \cdot (D \nabla u) + \rho(x, y)$
- The PDE is **elliptic** if $b^2 - 4ac < 0$:
 - Laplace equation: $\nabla^2 u = 0$
 - Poisson equation: $\nabla^2 u = -4\pi\rho(x, y)$
 - Helmholtz equation: $\nabla^2 u = -k^2 u$

Boundary Conditions

- In order to solve the PDE uniquely, additional information are required and they are (1) initial conditions and (2) boundary conditions.
- For hyperbolic PDE, two initial conditions are required, as the PDE is second order in t .
- Similarly, one initial condition is required for parabolic PDE.
- All hyperbolic, parabolic and elliptic PDEs required the boundary of the regions where the PDEs defined to be specified:
 - Dirichlet condition: The value of u are specified at the boundary.
 - Neumann condition: The normal gradient $\nabla u \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$ is specified at the boundary.

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Elliptic Boundary Value Problem

We will consider the Poisson equation as an example for the elliptic problem:

$$\text{PDE} : \quad \nabla^2 u = u_{xx}(x, y) + u_{yy}(x, y) = f(x, y), \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in R$$

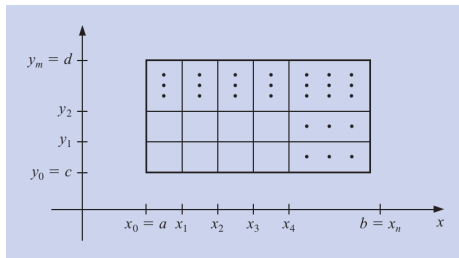
$$\text{B.C.} : \quad u(x, y) = g(x, y), \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in S$$

where $R = \{(x, y) | a < x < b, c < y < d\}$ and S is the boundary of R .

- This is an Dirichlet boundary value problem.
- If $f(x, y) = 0$ we have the Laplace equation.
- If f and g are continuous on R and S then there is a unique solution to this BVP.
- In this example R is rectangular, however there may be other possible BVP on domain Ω that is not rectangular.

Discretise BVP

- The main technique for most PDE is finite difference, and thus the domain R need to be discretise to a grid of $N \times M$ boxes.
 - partition $a < x < b$ into equally spaced N subintervals :
 $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_N = b$, or $x_i = a + ih$, where $h = (b - a)/N$.
 - partition $c < y < d$ into equally spaced M subintervals :
 $c = y_0 < y_1 < y_2 < \dots < y_M = d$, or $y_j = a + jk$, where $k = (d - c)/M$.



- The lines $x = x_i$ and $y = y_j$ are grid lines and the intersections points are the mesh points.
- The values of u will be evaluated / approximated at these grid points.

Elliptic BVP - Finite Difference Method

- Central Difference:

$$u_{xx}(x_i, y_j) = \frac{u(x_i + h, y_j) - 2u(x_i, y_j) + u(x_i - h, y_j)}{h^2} + O(h^2) \text{ and}$$

$$u_{yy}(x_i, y_j) = \frac{u(x_i, y_j + k) - 2u(x_i, y_j) + u(x_i, y_j - k)}{k^2} + O(k^2).$$

- Let $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, y_j)$, $f_{i,j} = f(x_i, y_j)$ and the discretised PDE is now:

$$\frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + \frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{k^2} = f_{i,j},$$

with truncation error $O(h^2) + O(k^2)$.

- **(Interior Points)** $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, M - 1$

$$2[(h/k)^2 + 1]u_{i,j} - (u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - (h/k)^2(u_{i,j+1} + u_{i,j-1}) = -h^2 f_{i,j}.$$

- **(Boundary Points)**

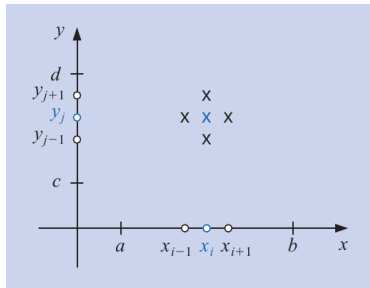
- $i = 0, u_{0,j} = g(x_0, y_j)$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots, M$
- $i = N, u_{N,j} = g(x_N, y_j)$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots, M$
- $j = 0, u_{i,0} = g(x_i, y_0)$, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$
- $j = M, u_{i,M} = g(x_i, y_M)$, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$



Elliptic BVP - Finite Difference Method

- Note that for each of the interior points, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, M - 1$ there is one of the following equation:

$$2[(h/k)^2 + 1]u_{i,j} - (u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - (h/k)^2(u_{i,j+1} + u_{i,j-1}) = -h^2 f_{i,j}.$$



- The resulting $(N - 1)(M - 1)$ equations forms an $(N - 1)(M - 1) \times (N - 1)(M - 1)$ linear system and could be solved by various numerical methods.

Laplace Equation (example)

Example

Use a central finite difference scheme to solve the following BVP for Laplace equation with 3 equal subintervals for both x and y ranges:

$$\text{PDE} : u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0, \quad 0 < x < 0.3, 0 < y < 0.3$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0, y) = 0, \quad 0 < y < 0.3$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0.3, y) = 200y, \quad 0 < y < 0.3$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < 0.3$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(x, 0.3) = 200x, \quad 0 < x < 0.3$$

ANSWER:

- $h = k = 0.3/3 = 0.1$, and let $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, y_j) = u(ih, jk)$.
- Boundary points:
 - $i = 0, u_{0,j} = 0, j = 0, 1, 2, 3$, ie $u_{0,0} = u_{0,1} = u_{0,2} = u_{0,3} = 0$; similarly
 - $i = 3, u_{3,0} = 0, u_{3,1} = 20, u_{3,2} = 40, u_{3,3} = 60$;
 - $j = 0, u_{1,0} = u_{2,0} = 0$;
 - $j = 3, u_{1,3} = 20, u_{2,3} = 40$.

Laplace Equation (example)

Example

- since $h/k = 1$, we have $4u_{i,j} - (u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - (u_{i,j+1} + u_{i,j-1}) = 0$.
- Interior points:
 - $i = 1, j = 1$,
 $4u_{1,1} - u_{2,1} - u_{0,1} - u_{1,2} - u_{1,0} = 0 \implies 4u_{1,1} - u_{2,1} - u_{1,2} = 0$;
 - $i = 1, j = 2$,
 $4u_{1,2} - u_{2,2} - u_{0,2} - u_{1,3} - u_{1,1} = 0 \implies 4u_{1,2} - u_{2,2} - u_{1,1} = 20$;
 - $i = 2, j = 1$,
 $4u_{2,1} - u_{3,1} - u_{1,1} - u_{2,2} - u_{2,0} = 0 \implies 4u_{2,1} - u_{1,1} - u_{2,2} = 20$;
 - $i = 2, j = 2$,
 $4u_{2,2} - u_{3,2} - u_{1,2} - u_{2,3} - u_{2,1} = 0 \implies 4u_{2,2} - u_{1,2} - u_{2,1} = 80$.
- In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} \\ u_{1,2} \\ u_{2,1} \\ u_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 20 \\ 20 \\ 80 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solve the matrix equation by direct method gives
 $[u_{1,1}, u_{1,2}, u_{2,1}, u_{2,2}]^T = [20/3, 40/3, 40/3, 80/3]^T$.

Laplace Equation (example)

Example

- More often the number of mesh points is large and we cannot effort to compute the inverse of the coefficient matrix, instead we use iterative method.
- For example, we use Gauss-Seidel iterations:
 - $u_{1,1}^{(n+1)} = 1/4(u_{2,1}^{(n)} + u_{1,2}^{(n)});$
 - $u_{1,2}^{(n+1)} = 1/4(20 + u_{2,2}^{(n)} + u_{1,1}^{(n+1)});$
 - $u_{2,1}^{(n+1)} = 1/4(20 + u_{1,1}^{(n+1)} + u_{2,2}^{(n)});$
 - $u_{2,2}^{(n+1)} = 1/4(80 + u_{1,2}^{(n+1)} + u_{2,1}^{(n+1)}).$

n	$u_{1,1}$	$u_{1,2}$	$u_{2,1}$	$u_{2,2}$
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	5	5	22.5
2	2.5	11.25	11.25	25.625
• 3	5.625	12.812	12.812	26.406
4	6.4062	13.203	13.203	26.602
5	6.6016	13.301	13.301	26.650
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Parabolic Boundary Value Problem

We will consider the Heat equation as an example for the parabolic problem:

$$\text{PDE} : u_t(x, t) - \alpha^2 u_{xx}(x, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < l, t > 0,$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0, t) = u(l, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u(x, 0) = f(x), 0 < x < l.$$

- This is an Dirichlet boundary value problem.
- Strategy:
 - Discretise the space and time variables into grid of x_i and t_j .
 - Discretise the PDE $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j)$
 - Evaluate the values of u at the boundaries (apply B.C.)
 - Evaluate the values of u at $t_0 = 0$ (apply I.C.)
 - Evaluate the values of u in the next time steps t_1, t_2, \dots by using the values of u of the previous time steps, as in the IVP.

Parabolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (FTCS)

- Discretise the space and time variables
 - Let h be the step size and N be the number of partitions in x . Then $x_i = ih, i = 0, 1, \dots, N$.
 - Let k be the time-step size, then $t_j = jk, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.
- Discretise PDE: Denote $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j)$
 - Forward-Time : $u_t(x_i, t_j) \approx \frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} + O(k)$
 - Center-Space : $u_{xx}(x_i, y_j) \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$
 - Ignore error terms $O(h^2) + O(k)$:
$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} - \alpha^2 \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} = 0.$$
 - Re-arrange (**Interior Points**) :

$$u_{i,j+1} = \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha^2 k}{h^2}\right)u_{i,j} + \frac{\alpha^2 k}{h^2}(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}),$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, j = 1, 2, \dots$

Parabolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (FTCS)

- Evaluate u at boundary (**Boundary Points**)
 - $u(0, t) = 0 \implies i = 0, u_{0,j} = 0$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots$
 - $u(l, t) = 0 \implies i = N, u_{N,j} = 0$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots$
- Evaluate u at $t = 0$ (**Initial Points**)
 - $u(x, 0) = f(x) \implies j = 0, u_{i,0} = f(x_i)$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$.
- Evaluate u for $j = 1, 2, \dots$ (**time marching**)
 - Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, \dots, u_{N-1,j}]^T$ be the interior points at time-step $t_j = jk$, then the value of the interior points at t_{j+1} is $\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j$, where

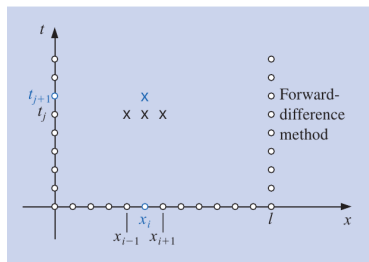
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 - 2\lambda) & \lambda & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \lambda & (1 - 2\lambda) & \lambda & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & (1 - 2\lambda) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (1 - 2\lambda) \end{bmatrix}$$

and $\lambda = \alpha k/h^2$.

- This is known as **FTCS** method and it is of order $O(k + h^2)$.



Stability of FTCS



- Let the initial point \mathbf{u}_0 used in FTCS scheme is not exact but comes with an error $\mathbf{e}_0 = [e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{N-1}]^T$.
- In every time steps, the initial error propagates through $\mathbf{u}_n = \mathbf{A}^n(\mathbf{u}_0 - \mathbf{e}_0)$.
- Thus, the method is only stable if $\|\mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{e}_0\| < \|\mathbf{e}_0\|$ for all n , i.e. $\|\mathbf{A}^n\| \leq 1$, or the spectral radius $\rho(\mathbf{A}^n) = \rho(\mathbf{A})^n \leq 1$.
- The eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} is $1 - 4\lambda \sin^2(i\pi/2N)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$.
- From $\rho(\mathbf{A}) \leq 1$ and stability condition requires to hold as $h \rightarrow 0$, simplify to

$$0 \leq \lambda \leq \frac{1}{2}, \text{ or } \alpha^2 \frac{k}{h^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}.$$

Heat Equation (Example)

Example

Use a FTCS explicit scheme to solve the following BVP for the Heat equation with 4 equal subintervals for $[0, 1]$ and let $k = 0.01$:

$$\text{PDE} : u_t(x, t) - u_{xx}(x, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1, t > 0,$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi x), 0 < x < 1.$$

ANSWER:

- Discretise x and given $k = 0.01$:
 - $h = 1/4 = 0.25$, thus $x_i = ih, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$
 - Given $k = 0.01$, thus $\lambda = \alpha^2(k/h^2) = 0.16 (< 1/2, \text{ FTCS should be stable.})$
- Discretise PDE:
 - Let $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j) = u(ih, jk)$.
 - $u_{i,j+1} = (1 - 2\lambda)u_{i,j} + \lambda(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j})$, for $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, and $j \geq 0$.
- Boundary points:
 - $i = 0, u_{0,j} = u(0, t) = 0, j \geq 0$.
 - $i = 4, u_{4,j} = u(1, t) = 0, j \geq 0$.

Heat Equation (example)

Example

- Initial points, $k = 0$:
 - $u_{i,0} = u(x_i, 0) = \sin(\pi x), 0 \leq u \leq 4.$
 - $u_{0,0} = 0, u_{1,0} = 0.70710678, u_{2,0} = 1, u_{3,0} = 0.70710678, u_{4,0} = 0.$
- Time marching, $k \geq 1$:

- Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, u_{3,j}]^T$, and $\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j$, where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-2\lambda) & \lambda & 0 \\ \lambda & (1-2\lambda) & \lambda \\ 0 & \lambda & (1-2\lambda) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.68 & 0.16 & 0 \\ 0.16 & 0.68 & 0.16 \\ 0 & 0.16 & 0.68 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{u}_0 = [0.70710678, 1, 0.70710678]^T$$

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x_i	$u_{0,j}$	$u_{1,j}$	$u_{2,j}$	$u_{3,j}$	$u_{4,j}$
$j = 0, t_0 = 0.00$	0	0.70710678	1	0.70710678	0
$j = 1, t_1 = 0.01$	0	0.64083261	0.90627420	0.64083261	0
$j = 2, t_2 = 0.02$	0	0.58077004	0.82133287	0.58077004	0
$j = 3, t_3 = 0.03$	0	0.52633689	0.74435277	0.52633689	0
$j = 4, t_4 = 0.04$	0	0.47700553	0.67458769	0.47700553	0
\vdots				\vdots	

Parabolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (BTCS)

- The FTCS scheme is not stable when $\lambda > 1/2$.
- A more stable method is obtained by using a backward difference in time and central difference in space, thus **BTCS** scheme.
- Discretise PDE: Denote $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j)$

- Backward-Time : $u_t(x_i, t_j) \approx \frac{u_{i,j} - u_{i,j-1}}{k} + O(k)$

- Center-Space : $u_{xx}(x_i, y_j) \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$

- PDE : $\frac{u_{i,j} - u_{i,j-1}}{k} - \alpha^2 \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} = 0.$

- Re-arrange (**Interior Points**) :

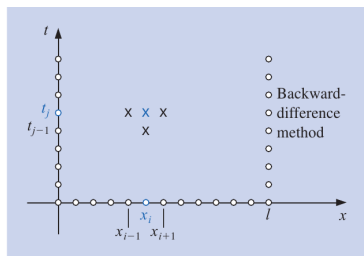
$$(1 + 2\lambda)u_{i,j} - \lambda u_{i+1,j} - \lambda u_{i-1,j} = u_{i,j-1},$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, j = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\lambda = \alpha^2 k/h^2$.

- In matrix form $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_j = \mathbf{u}_{j-1}$, where

$$\begin{bmatrix} (1 + 2\lambda) & -\lambda & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -\lambda & (1 + 2\lambda) & -\lambda & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (1 + 2\lambda) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,j} \\ u_{2,j} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,j-1} \\ u_{2,j-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Stability of BTCS



- Truncation error for BTCS is of order $O(k + h^2)$.
- The eigenvalues of \mathbf{B} is $1 + 4\lambda \sin^2(i\pi/2N) > 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$.
- This implies \mathbf{B}^{-1} exists.
- Thus, an error \mathbf{e}_0 in the initial data produces an error $(\mathbf{B}^{-1})^n \mathbf{e}_0$ after n time steps.
- Since \mathbf{B}^{-1} is bounded above by 1, thus the method is unconditionally stable i.e independent of the choice of λ .

Heat Equation (example BTCS)

Example

Repeat the same BVP as for FTCS case, but using at BTCS scheme with $k = 0.04$.

ANSWER :

- Given $k = 0.04$, then $\lambda = \alpha^2 k / h^2 = 0.64$.
- Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, u_{3,j}]^T$, and solve for $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_j = \mathbf{u}_{j-1}$:
 - Initial points, $j = 0$: $\mathbf{u}_0 = [u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0}]^T = [0.70710678, 1, 0.70710678]^T$.
 - $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 + 2\lambda) & -\lambda & 0 \\ -\lambda & (1 + 2\lambda) & -\lambda \\ 0 & -\lambda & (1 + 2\lambda) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.28 & -0.64 & 0 \\ -0.64 & 2.28 & -0.64 \\ 0 & -0.64 & 2.28 \end{bmatrix}$

x_i	$u_{0,j}$	$u_{1,j}$	$u_{2,j}$	$u_{3,j}$	$u_{4,j}$
$j = 0, t_0 = 0$	0	0.70710678	1	0.70710678	0
$j = 1, t_1 = 0.04$	0	0.51429564	0.72732387	0.51429564	0
$j = 2, t_1 = 0.08$	0	0.37405949	0.52900001	0.37405949	0
$j = 3, t_1 = 0.12$	0	0.27206240	0.38475433	0.27206240	0
\vdots				\vdots	

Parabolic BVP - Crank-Nicolson Method

- Both FTCS and BTCS are $O(k + h^2)$ schemes
- We can improve the accuracy of the scheme by averaging j -th step in FTCS and $(j + 1)$ -th step in BTCS:

- FTCS (j -th step) :

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} - \alpha^2 \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + \frac{k}{2} u_{tt}(x_i, \xi_j) + O(h^2) = 0.$$

- BTCS ($(j + 1)$ -th step) :

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} - \alpha^2 \frac{u_{i+1,j+1} - 2u_{i,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1}}{h^2} - \frac{k}{2} u_{tt}(x_i, \xi_{j+1}) + O(h^2) = 0.$$

- Assuming $\frac{k}{2} u_{tt}(x_i, \xi_j) \approx \frac{k}{2} u_{tt}(x_i, \xi_{j+1})$, then averaging the two schemes eliminates the error of $O(k)$.
- **Crank-Nicolson :**

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \left[\frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + \frac{u_{i+1,j+1} - 2u_{i,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1}}{h^2} \right] = 0,$$

which has error of order $O(k^2 + h^2)$.



Parabolic BVP - Crank-Nicolson Method

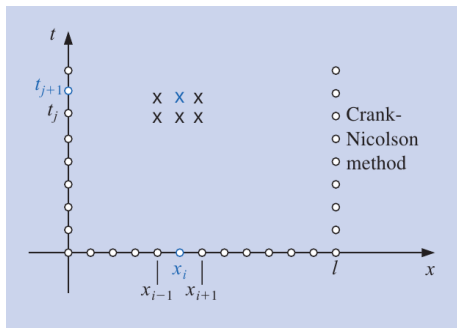
- The Crank-Nicolson method in matrix form: $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{u}_j$, where

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 + \lambda) & -\lambda/2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -\lambda/2 & (1 + \lambda) & -\lambda/2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & -\lambda/2 & (1 + \lambda) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} (1 - \lambda) & \lambda/2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda/2 & (1 - \lambda) & \lambda/2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \lambda/2 & (1 - \lambda) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Since \mathbf{P} is positive, strictly diagonal dominant and tri diagonal, \mathbf{P} is nonsingular.
- The system could be solved by Gauss-Seidel or SOR method to obtain \mathbf{u}_{j+1} from \mathbf{u}_j for $j = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Parabolic BVP - Crank-Nicolson Method



Heat Equation (example Crank-Nicolson)

Example

Repeat the same BVP by using at Crank-Nicolson scheme with $k = 0.04$.

ANSWER :

- Given $k = 0.04$, then $\lambda = \alpha^2 k/h^2 = 0.64$.
- Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, u_{3,j}]^T$, and solve for $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{u}_j$:

- Initial points, $j = 0$: $\mathbf{u}_0 = [u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0}]^T = [0.70710678, 1, 0.70710678]^T$.

- $\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.64 & -0.32 & 0 \\ -0.32 & 1.64 & -0.32 \\ 0 & -0.32 & 1.64 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.36 & 0.32 & 0 \\ 0.32 & 0.36 & 0.32 \\ 0 & 0.32 & 1.36 \end{bmatrix}$

- $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.269769 & 0.257566 & 0.050257 \\ 0.257566 & 0.320026 & 0.257566 \\ 0.050257 & 0.257566 & 0.269769 \end{bmatrix}$

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x_i	$u_{0,j}$	$u_{1,j}$	$u_{2,j}$	$u_{3,j}$	$u_{4,j}$
$j = 0, t_0 = 0$	0	0.70710678	1	0.70710678	0
$j = 1, t_1 = 0.04$	0	0.48385838	0.68427909	0.48385838	0
$j = 2, t_1 = 0.08$	0	0.33109417	0.46823787	0.33109417	0
$j = 3, t_1 = 0.12$	0	0.22656082	0.32040538	0.22656082	0
\vdots				\vdots	

- 1 Classification of Second Order Linear PDEs
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Hyperbolic Boundary Value Problem

We will consider the wave equation as an example for the hyperbolic problem:

$$\text{PDE} : u_{tt}(x, t) - \alpha^2 u_{xx}(x, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < l, t > 0,$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0, t) = u(l, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u(x, 0) = f(x), 0 < x < l,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u_t(x, 0) = g(x), 0 < x < l.$$

- This is an Dirichlet boundary value problem.
- Strategy:
 - Discretise the space and time variables into grid of x_i and t_j .
 - Discretise the PDE $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j)$
 - Evaluate the values of u at the boundaries (apply B.C.)
 - Evaluate the values of u at $t_0 = 0$. (apply I.C.)
 - Evaluate the values of u at $t_1 = k$. (apply I.C.)
 - Evaluate the values of u in the next time steps t_2, t_3, \dots by using the values of u of the previous time steps, as in the IVP.

Hyperbolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (CTCS)

- Discretise the space and time variables
 - Let h be the step size and N be the number of partitions in x . Then $x_i = ih, i = 0, 1, \dots, N$.
 - Let k be the time-step size, then $t_j = jk, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.
- Discretise PDE: Denote $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j)$

- Center-Time : $u_{tt}(x_i, t_j) \approx \frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{k^2} + O(k^2)$

- Center-Space : $u_{xx}(x_i, y_j) \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$

- Ignore error terms $O(h^2) + O(k^2)$:

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{k^2} - \alpha^2 \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2} = 0.$$

- Re-arrange (**Interior Points**) :

$$u_{i,j+1} = 2(1 - \lambda^2)u_{i,j} + \lambda^2(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - u_{i,j-1},$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, j = 2, 3, \dots$, where $\lambda = \alpha k/h$.

Hyperbolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (CTCS)

- Evaluate u at boundary (**Boundary Points**)
 - $u(0, t) = 0 \implies i = 0, u_{0,j} = 0$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots$
 - $u(l, t) = 0 \implies i = N, u_{N,j} = 0$, for $j = 0, 1, \dots$
- Evaluate u at $t_0 = 0$ (**Initial Points**)
 - $u(x, 0) = f(x) \implies j = 0, u_{i,0} = f(x_i)$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$.
- Evaluate u at $t_1 = k$ (**Initial Points**)
 - The value of $u_{i,1}$ could be obtained from $u_t(x, 0) = g(x), 0 \leq x \leq l$.
 - At $t_1 = k, u(x_i, t_1) = u(x_i, 0) + ku_t(x_i, 0) + \frac{k^2}{2}u_{tt}(x_i, \xi_1)$.
 - Thus, $u_{i,1} = u_{i,0} + kg(x_i)$ with error $O(k^2)$.
- (Improved value of u at $t_1 = k$ (**Initial Points**)):
 - The value of $u_{i,1}$ could be improved if f'' exists.
 - At $t_1 = k, u(x_i, t_1) = u(x_i, 0) + ku_t(x_i, 0) + \frac{k^2}{2}u_{tt}(x_i, 0) + \frac{k^3}{6}u_{ttt}(x_i, \xi_2)$.
 - Since $u_{tt}(x_i, 0) = \alpha^2 u_{xx}(x_i, 0) = \alpha^2 f''(x_i)$, we have,
 $u_{i,1} = u_{i,0} + kg(x_i) + \frac{\alpha^2 k^2}{2} f''(x_i)$ with error $O(k^3)$.
 - If f'' is not available, we replace it by central difference:
 $f''(x) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))}{h^2} + O(h^2)$.
 - That gives, $u_{i,1} = u_{i,0} + kg(x_i) + \frac{\lambda^2}{2}[f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))]$ with error $O(k^3 + h^2 k^2)$.



Hyperbolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (CTCS)

- Evaluate u for $j = 2, 3, \dots$ (**time marching**)

- The discretised PDE at the interior points

$$u_{i,j+1} = 2(1 - \lambda^2)u_{i,j} + \lambda^2(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - u_{i,j-1},$$

could be re-written in matrix form.

- Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, \dots, u_{N-1,j}]^T$ be the interior points at time-step $t_j = jk$, then the value of the interior points at t_{j+1} is $\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j - \mathbf{u}_{j-1}$, where

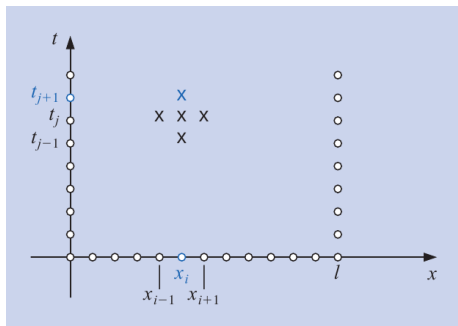
$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1 - \lambda^2) & \lambda^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \lambda^2 & 2(1 - \lambda^2) & \lambda^2 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda^2 & (1 - \lambda^2) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & (1 - \lambda^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

and $\lambda = \alpha k/h$.

- This is known as **CTCS** method and it is of order $O(k^2)$.



Hyperbolic BVP - Finite Difference Method (CTCS)



Wave Equation (Example)

Example

Use a CTCS explicit scheme to solve the following BVP for the Wave equation with 4 equal subintervals for $[0, 1]$ and let $k = 0.01$:

$$\text{PDE} : u_t(x, t) - 4u_{xx}(x, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1, t > 0,$$

$$\text{B.C.} : u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0, \quad \text{for } t > 0,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u(x, 0) = 2 \sin(3\pi x), 0 < x < 1,$$

$$\text{I.C.} : u_t(x, 0) = -12 \sin(2\pi x), 0 < x < 1.$$

ANSWER:

- Discretise x and given $k = 0.01$:
 - $h = 1/4 = 0.25$, thus $x_i = ih, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$
 - Given $k = 0.01$, thus $\lambda = \alpha k/h = 0.16$
- Discretise PDE:
 - Let $u_{i,j} \approx u(x_i, t_j) = u(ih, jk)$.
 - $u_{i,j+1} = 2(1 - \lambda^2)u_{i,j} + \lambda^2(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) - u_{i,j-1}$, for $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, and $j \geq 1$.

Example

- Boundary points:
 - $i = 0, u_{0,j} = u(0, t) = 0, j \geq 0.$
 - $i = 4, u_{4,j} = u(1, t) = 0, j \geq 0.$
- Initial points, $j = 0$:
 - $u_{i,0} = u(x_i, 0) = 2 \sin(3\pi x), 0 \leq u \leq 4.$
 - $\mathbf{u}_0 = [u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0}] = [1.41421356, -2.0, 1.41421356]$
- Initial points, $j = 1$:
 - $u_t(x, 0) = g(x) = -12 \sin(2\pi x)$
 - $u_{i,1} = u_{i,0} + kg(x_i), 0 \leq u \leq 4.$
 - $\mathbf{u}_1 = [u_{1,1}, u_{2,1}, u_{3,1}] = [1.2942136, -2, 1.5342136];$

Wave Equation (example)

Example

- Time marching, $k \geq 1$:

- Let $\mathbf{u}_j = [u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, u_{3,j}]^T$, and $\mathbf{u}_{j+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_j - \mathbf{u}_{j-1}$, where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1 - \lambda^2) & \lambda^2 & 0 \\ \lambda^2 & 2(1 - \lambda^2) & \lambda^2 \\ 0 & \lambda^2 & 2(1 - \lambda^2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.94880 & 0.02560 & 0.00000 \\ 0.02560 & 1.94880 & 0.02560 \\ 0.00000 & 0.02560 & 1.94880 \end{bmatrix}$$

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x_i	$u_{0,j}$	$u_{1,j}$	$u_{2,j}$	$u_{3,j}$	$u_{4,j}$
$j = 0, t_0 = 0.00$	0	1.414213562	-2.00	1.414213562	0
$j = 1, t_1 = 0.01$	0	1.294213562	-2.00	1.534213562	0
$j = 2, t_2 = 0.02$	0	1.056749828	-1.82519227	1.524461828	0
$j = 3, t_3 = 0.03$	0	0.718455580	-1.49085567	1.389932726	0
$j = 4, t_4 = 0.04$	0	0.305210502	-1.02621252	1.146073163	0
\vdots				\vdots	

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