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Partial differential equations

1st, 2nd derivatives of spatial and time coordinates

Poisson equation

Laplacian $\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2}$

elliptic PDE

 $\Delta \phi(\vec{r}) = -\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho(\vec{r})$

 $ho(ec{r})~~{
m charge}$ density inside domain V

 $\phi(\vec{r})$ electrostatic potential

Dirichlet boundary condition $\phi(\vec{r}), \vec{r} \in \partial V$

Neumann boundary condition $(\vec{n} \cdot \vec{\nabla})\phi(\vec{r}), \vec{r} \in \partial V$

Diffusion equation



 $u(\vec{r}, t)$ concentration of a substance at position \vec{r} and time t

 $S(\vec{r}, t)$ source/drain D diffusion coefficient

parabolic PDE asymmetrical under time-reversal $t \rightarrow -t$

Cauchy initial value problem $u(\vec{r}, t = 0)$ on domain V

Neumann boundary condition $(\overrightarrow{n} \cdot \overrightarrow{\nabla})u(\overrightarrow{r}) = 0, \overrightarrow{r} \in \partial V$

Initial configuration must be consistent with the boundary condition







Solution
$$\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} - \Delta u(\vec{r}, t) = S(\vec{r}, t)$$

C wave velocity

symmetrical under time-reversal Hyperbolic PDE $t \rightarrow -t$

initial value problem
$$u(\vec{r}, t = 0), \frac{\partial u(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}|_{t=0}$$

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Animating Schrödinger's Equation

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xj9PdeY64rA

Schrödinger equation
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} = H\Psi(\vec{r}, t)$$

For free particle

e particle
$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\Delta$$

diffusion equation in imaginary time

Fluid Dynamics, Navier-Stokes equation

Discretization



Discretisation of space-time domain



Forward time (FT) discretisation

Centered space (CS) discretisation

$$\frac{\partial u(\vec{r}, t_n)}{\partial t} \to \frac{u(\vec{r}, t_{n+1}) - u(\vec{r}, t_n)}{\tau} + O(\tau)$$

$$\frac{\partial u(\vec{r}, t_n)}{\partial x_i} \to \frac{u(\vec{r} + h_i \vec{e}_i, t_n) - u(\vec{r} - h_i \vec{e}_i, t_n)}{2h_i} + O(h)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(\vec{r}, t_n)}{\partial x_i^2} \rightarrow \frac{u(\vec{r} + h_i \vec{e}_i, t_n) + u(\vec{r} - h_i \vec{e}_i, t_n) - 2u(\vec{r}, t_n)}{h_i^2} + O(h^2)$$

Boundary conditions

Periodic boundary conditions (PBC) $u(\vec{r} + N_i h_i \vec{e}_i) = u(\vec{r})$



1d ring 2d torus (donut) higher-d tori

Hyperbolic PDEs

Wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

Mach wave (shock wave)





Advection equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -c\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

Evolution of passive field u(t, x)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Advection

Traffic jam



Watch these

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ZC9h8jgSj4

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=goVjVVaLe10

FTCS schemes wouldn't work

$$\frac{u(n+1,r)-u(n,r)}{\tau} = -c \frac{u(n,r+1)-u(n,r-1)}{2h}$$

$$u(n+1,r) = u(n,r) - \frac{c\tau}{2h}(u(n,r+1)-u(n,r-1))$$

$$von \text{ Neumann stability analysis } u(n,r) = A^n e^{ikrh}$$
FTCS is unstable for hyperbolic equations
$$|A| = \sqrt{1 + (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2 \sin^2(kh)} > 1$$

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$$A = \cos(kh) - i\frac{c\tau}{2h}(u(n,r+1)-u(n,r-1))$$

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physical information flow

Solution Differencing PDE an art as much as a science $u(n+1,r) = \frac{1}{2}(u(n,r+1) + u(n,r-1)) - \frac{c\tau}{2h}(u(n,r+1) - u(n,r-1))$

Equals to $\frac{u(n+1,r) - u(n,r)}{\tau} = -c \frac{u(n,r+1) - u(n,r-1)}{2h} + \frac{u(n,r+1) - 2u(n,r) + u(n,r-1)}{2\tau}$

Equals to FTCS of
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -c\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{h^2}{2\tau}\Delta u \qquad a$$
$$|A|^2 = \cos^2(kh) + (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2 \sin^2(kh)$$

 $kh \ll 1$, $|A|^2 \approx 1$ longwavelength mode conserved $kh \sim 1$, $|A|^2 < 1$ shortwavelength mode damped

artificial dissipation term, suppress the unstable modes

Exactly at the Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy (CFL) stability criterion $c\tau = h$ Lax becomes u(n + 1, r) = u(n, r - 1)

FTCS and Lax are all 1st order accuracy in τ

Figure Leap-Frog method is of 2nd order accuracy in au

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial F(u)}{\partial x}$$
 $F(u) = cu$ for advection equation

CTCS
$$\frac{u(n+1,r) - u(n-1,r)}{\tau} = -\frac{F(n,r+1) - F(n,r-1)}{h}$$

$$u(n+1,r) = u(n-1,r) - \frac{\tau}{h}(F(n,r+1) - F(n,r-1))$$

Not self-starting, use Lax to start



Eap-Frog method

 $A^{2} = 1 - 2iA\frac{c\tau}{h}\sin(kh) \qquad A = -i\frac{c\tau}{h}\sin(kh) \pm \sqrt{1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h}\sin(hk))^{2}}$ Performing von Neumann stability analysis on Leap-Frog, stable when $c\tau/h < 1$

 $|A|^2 = 1 \qquad c\tau/h \le 1$ No amplitude dissipation (can you see this ?)



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F$$

 $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [F' \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}]$

 $\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = \frac{dF}{du}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = F'\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -F'\frac{\partial F}{\partial v}$

F(u) only depends on u

Lax-Wendroff method

$$u(n+1,r) = u(n,r) - \tau \frac{F(n,r+1) - F(n,r-1)}{2h} + \frac{\tau^2}{2} \left(\frac{[F'\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}](n,r+1/2) - [F'\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}](n,r-1/2)}{h} \right)$$

= $u(n,r) - \tau \frac{F(n,r+1) - F(n,r-1)}{2h} + \frac{\tau^2}{2h} (F'(n,r+1/2)\frac{F(n,r+1) - F(n,r)}{h} - F'(n,r-1/2)\frac{F(n,r) - F(n,r-1)}{h})$

where $F'(n, r \pm 1/2) = F'(\frac{u(n, r \pm 1) + u(n, r)}{2})$

(can you see these ?)

For advection equation F(u) = cu F'(u) = c

$$u(n+1,r) = u(n,r) - \frac{c\tau}{2h}(u(n,r+1) - u(n,r-1)) + \frac{c^2\tau^2}{2h^2}(u(n,r+1) + u(n,r-1) - 2u(n,r))$$

Performing von Neumann stability analysis on Lax-Wendroff, obtain CFL $c\tau/h \leq 1$

$$kh \ll 1 \qquad |A|^2 = 1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2 (1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2) \frac{(kh)^4}{4} + \cdots \qquad |A|^2 = 1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2 (1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h})^2) (1 - \cos(kh))^2$$

Damping is smaller than in the Lax method

$$A|^{2} = 1 - (1 - (\frac{c\tau}{h})^{2})(kh)^{2} + \cdots$$

At the CFL stability threshold $c\tau/h = 1$ Lax-Wendroff becomes u(n + 1, r) = u(n, r - 1)

Physics of Traffic flow

Number of vehicles

$$N(t, x_{1}, x_{2}) = \int_{x_{1}}^{x_{2}} \rho(t, x) dx \qquad \frac{d}{dt} N(t, x_{1}, x_{2}) = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_{1}}^{x_{2}} \rho(t, x) dx = \int_{x_{1}}^{x_{2}} \frac{d\rho(t, x)}{\partial t} dx = -F(t, x_{2}) + F(t, x_{1})$$
Traffic density $\rho(t, x)$
Traffic Flux $F(t, x)$
Equation of continuity $\frac{d\rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0$
Local velocity of the vehicles $v(t, x) = \frac{F(t, x)}{\rho(t, x)}$
Lighthill and Whitham (1955)
Local flux depends on local density $F(t, x) = F(\rho(t, x))$

$$F(\rho) = 4F_{\max}[\frac{\rho}{\rho_{\max}} - (\frac{\rho}{\rho_{\max}})^{2}] \qquad \rho_{\max} = 100$$
 vehicles/km
$$F_{\max} = 3000$$
 vehicles/h
 $v(\rho) = \frac{F(\rho)}{\rho} = \frac{4F_{\max}}{\rho_{\max}} (1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\max}})$
Increasing the density, the velocity decreases linearly
Increasing the density.

Increasing the density, the velocity decreases linearly Until vanishes at $\rho = \rho_{\rm max}$ (bumper-to-bumper)





 $v_{\rm max} = 33 \, m/s$

Physics of Tsunami waves



Watch the 3D animation <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tsunami</u>

- submarine earthquake, vertical shift of a whole water column (~ 1 m)
- Reaching the shall shore of the ocean, the wave slows down, but the amplitude increases (~ 10 m)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Viscosity

equ. continuity

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \overrightarrow{v}) = 0$$
volume viscosity
shear viscosity

$$\frac{1}{f} + \frac{1}{3}\eta$$
Navier-Stokes equ.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \overrightarrow{v} = \frac{\partial \overrightarrow{v}}{\partial t} + (\overrightarrow{v} \cdot \nabla) \overrightarrow{v} = \frac{\overrightarrow{f}}{\rho} - \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P + \frac{\zeta + \frac{1}{3}\eta}{\rho} \nabla (\nabla \cdot \overrightarrow{v}) + \eta \Delta \overrightarrow{v}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\rho \text{ const}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -g \end{pmatrix}$$
local pressure
Incompressible, curl-free fluid

local external force density



$$\begin{pmatrix} h(t,x)\\ \bar{u}(t,x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Shallow water equations

$$\frac{\partial h(t,x)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}((h(t,x) - b(x))\bar{u}(t,x)) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{u}(t,x)}{\partial t} + \bar{u}(t,x)\frac{\partial \bar{u}(t,x)}{\partial x} + g\frac{\partial h(x)}{\partial x} = 0$$

Average horizontal velocity

$$\bar{u}(t,x) = \frac{1}{h(t,x) - b(x)} \int_{b(x)}^{h(t,x)} u(t,x,z) dz$$

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APPENDIX: DERIVATION OF THE CORRECTION EQUATION TO THE SHALLOW-WATER THEORY

We start with the two-dimensional incompressible inviscid hydrodynamic equations

Navier-Stokes equ. $\xrightarrow{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -p_x, \qquad (A1)$ $\xrightarrow{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -p_y - g, \qquad (A2)$ equ. continuity $\xrightarrow{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0, \qquad (A3)$

equ. continuity
$$\longrightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$
, (4)

$$v \rightarrow w \quad p_x \rightarrow \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

In the form of advection equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} h \\ \bar{u} \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{pmatrix} (h-b)\bar{u} \\ \frac{1}{2}\bar{u}^2 + gh \end{pmatrix}$$

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Boundary condition

 $h(t, x = \pm x_0) = 0$ $\bar{u}(t, x = \pm x_0) = 0$

Initial condition: Gaussian

 $h(t = 0, x) = h_0 e^{-x^2/D^2}$ $\bar{u}(t = 0, x) = 0$

Examp-Frog method is of 2nd order accuracy in τ

Parabolic ocean floor



 $b_0 = 1 \, km \doteq 10$

 $x_{0} = 10 \ km \doteq 100$ $h_{0} = 1 \ m \doteq 0.01$ $D = 1 \ km \doteq 10$ $g = 10 \ m/s^{2} \doteq 0.1$ $h = 100 \ m \doteq 1$ $\tau = 0.3 \ s \doteq 0.3$ $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial F(u)}{\partial x}$

$$u(n+1,r) = u(n-1,r) - \frac{\tau}{h}(F(n,r+1) - F(n,r-1))$$

Shallow water equations: derivation

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