# Introduction to Computational Science, Practical Work

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# Introduction

The aim of this work will be to study numerical methods and results obtained for an advection-diffusion equation. This equation can be expressed as:

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} + V\nabla u(x,t) = C\nabla^2 u(x,t) \tag{1}$$

with

$$\nabla \to \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \\ \partial_z \end{array} \right.$$

assuming for domain dimensions:  $[L_x \times L_y \times L_z] = [2\pi \times 2\pi \times 2\pi]$  For all the simulations, choose wisely values of  $\Delta t$  and  $\Delta x$  such that time resolved is at least 15 times the typical time scale of the considered dynamics.

Diffusion time scale :  $T_D = L^2/C$ Advection time scale :  $T_A = L/V$ 

Aim of this practical work is to analyse/compare different typical schemes used in finite difference to study an diffusion-advection equation, for example impact of discretization used, stepsize.... Schemes which will be used:

- Explicit Euler scheme, 1st order
- Implicit Euler scheme, 1st order
- Runge-Kutta 4, 4th order explicit scheme

# 1 1D equation

# 1.1 Diffusion

Considering only diffusive part in 1D:

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = C \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2} \tag{2}$$

- 1. Substite centered finite difference in diffusion equation
- 2. Write down equation in matrix form for implicit and explicit Euler method.
- 3. Derivate stability criterion in both cases.
- 4. Assuming that  $u(0,t) = u(L_x,t) = 0$  and  $u(X,O) = u_0(x)$  derivate the analytical solution of the equation.
- 5. Resolve numerically previous equation. Using the plots of output datas, what kind of boundary conditions are used? How is it implemented in the code?
- 6. How does system evolves when  $C\Delta t/\Delta x^2$  is  $<1/2,=1/2-\epsilon,=1/2,=1/2+\epsilon,>1/2$
- 7. When  $C\Delta t/\Delta x^2 < 1/2$ , is the radial structure of u(x,t) modified? How to demonstrate the result analitycally?

- 8. Calculate numerical growth rate and compare it with the analytical one, are they equals?
- 9. Run same simulations using RK4 scheme and answers questions 6 and 7.
- 10. If you fix  $\Delta x$ , do you observe a limit on time step for numerical stability? Compare this value to  $\Delta t$  corresponding to explicit Euler scheme.
- 11. Theorically, there is no constraint on time step with implicit schemes, is it verified numericaly? Justify?

# 1.2 Advection

This time we consider only advection:

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} + V \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} = 0$$

- 1. Write down equation in matrix form for implicit and explicit Euler method
  - using backward finite difference
  - using centered finite difference
- 2. Which one is implemented in the code?
- 3. Modify the code to use the other scheme.
- 4. What is the physical definition of an advection? Does it correspond to you results?
- 5. Is there any difference in the simulations depending on used time scheme?
  - if a sin function is used for  $u_0(x)$
  - in the case of an heavyside function used for  $u_0(x)$
- 6. Is there any benefit to use Runge-Kutta scheme?
- 7. How does the system evolves when  $C\Delta t/\Delta x$  is  $<1, \simeq 1, =1, >1$
- 8. For a fixed  $\Delta x$  is there a limit on time step with RK4? Compare this value with the one corresponding to explicit Euler scheme.

### 1.3 Advection-Diffusion

Now we consider the full equation:

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} + V \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} = C \frac{\partial^2 u(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

- 1. Substite centered finite difference on the system
- 2. What is the equivalent differential equation to this scheme?
- 3. What kind of derivate is used for advection with implicit Euler scheme implemented?
- 4. Write down equation in matrix form. Can you expressed the result as a sum of 2 matrix, one for advection and one for diffusion?

- 5. Calculate numerically diffusive growth rate from simulations. Is your result in agreement with expected value?
- 6. Runs simulations with centered or backward difference for advection. Calculate growth rate, is it linked to diffusion coefficient?
- 7. In previous sections, it has been shown that stability criterions exists for diffusion and advection, what happend if we choose parameters which verifies only one of these criterions?

# 2 Heat equation in 2D

In this part, we consider only diffusion term in 2D case with a source.

$$\frac{\partial u(x,y,t)}{\partial t} = S(x,y) + C \frac{\partial^2 u(x,y,t)}{\partial x^2} + C \frac{\partial^2 u(x,y,t)}{\partial y^2}$$

# 2.1 Preliminary work

- 1. If we want to consider an infinite domain in y direction, how can this be done numerically (give 2 possibilities)?
- 2. Using Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) in y,

$$u(x, y, t) \to \sum_{m=0}^{M} u_m(x, t) \exp(\mathrm{i}mk_y y)$$

rewrite equation.

- 3. From a physical point of view what changes in that case?
- 4. Supposing S(x,y) = 0, Choose a function  $u_0(x,y)$  such that growth rate can be calculated analytically (avoid trivial case like  $u_0(x,y) = Constant$ ). Can we do the same analysis if we consider the Fourier form previously used?
- 5. Calculate growth rate in both cases.

# 2.2 Explicit scheme

We will consider only explicit schemes here,

- Explicit Euler
- Runge-Kutta 4
- 1. Obtain discret form of the equation
- 2. Calculate the numerical stability condition when laplacian is expressed in real space. Same question if we consider Fourier transformation in y direction.
- 3. If we increase number of points/modes, does the two methods give the same results? Which one is the most precised? why?
- 4. If we change  $u_0(x,y)$ , are the previous results modified? Why?

- 5. Estimate error on numerical solution with parameters you have used.
- 6. For one set on inputs parameters, plot computation time spent from t to t+1 for the following resolutions:  $8\times 8,16\times 16,32\times 32,64\times 64,128\times 128,\ 256\times 256.$ Is it linear with respect to resolution?
- 7. What are boundary conditions immplmented? Implement in the code a function null\_bc in file boundary.c which correspond to following condition in y:

$$\partial_u u(x,0,t) = 0, \quad \partial_u u(x,Ly,t) = 0$$

8. Does it change obtained solution? Why?

# 2.3 Implicit and Cranck-Nicholson schemes

Now we consider only implicit/semi-explicit schemes,

- Implicit Euler
- Cranck-Nicholson
- 1. Express amplification factor for 1D diffusion equation 1D for implicit Euler and Cranck-Nicholson schemes.
- 2. Compared to explicit Euler, is there a numerical stability condition?
- 3. What changes between implicit euler and Cranck-Nicholson schemes?
- 4. Give matrix form of the discrete equation for both 1D and 2D cases with implicit Euler. Result should be expressed like:

$$AU^{t+1} = S + BU^t$$

- 5. What are the differences concerning matrix obtained in the 2 cases?
- 6. Does boundary conditions modify the coefficients? If yes, which ones?
- 7. Which coefficients should be modified if we want to use Von Neumann like boundaries?
- 8. And if we consider Fourier modes in y direction?
- 9. Which methods do you know to resolve system of linear equations?
- 10. In the source code, considering *euli* function, how  $U^{t+1}$  is obtained from  $U^t$ ? What is the name of this method?
- 11. Typically, matrix inversion complexity is proportional to  $N^3$ . Plot computational time from t to t+1 for the following resolutions:  $8\times8,16\times16,32\times32,64\times64,128\times128,$   $256\times256$ .
- 12. Is it proportionnal to  $N^3$  in that case? conclusion?
- 13. Same question if Fourier transformation is considered with a relaxation method.
- 14. Using a well choosen initial condition, compare relative error between numerical and theorical solution in function of time.

# 2.4 Conclusions

1. Using previous results, if you can choose only one method to resolve 2D heat equation, which one will you choose and why.

# 3 Appendices

# 3.1 Analytical results

# 3.1.1 General solution of heat equation on a finite domain

1D case

$$\partial_t u(x,t) = C\partial_x^2 u(x,t) + Du(x,t) + S(x) \tag{3}$$

Domaine: 
$$0 \le x \le Lx$$
 (4)

$$u(x,0) = u_0(x) (5)$$

$$u(0,t) = 0 (6)$$

$$u(0, Lx) = 0 (7)$$

$$u(x,t) = \int_0^{Lx} u_0(x)G(x,\xi,t)d\xi + \int_0^t \int_0^{Lx} S(\xi)G(x,\xi,t-\tau)d\xi d\tau$$
 (8)

$$G(x,\xi,t) = \frac{2}{Lx}e^{(Dt)}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{Lx}\right)\sin\left(\frac{n\pi\xi}{Lx}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{Cn^2\pi^2t}{Lx^2}\right)$$
(9)

(10)

2D case

$$\partial_t u(x, y, t) = C \partial_x^2 u(x, t) + C \partial_y^2 u(x, y, t) + S(x, y)$$
(11)

Domaine: 
$$0 \le x \le Lx$$
 (12)

$$-\infty \le y \le \infty \tag{13}$$

$$u(x, y, 0) = u_0(x, y) (14)$$

$$u(0,y,t) = 0 (15)$$

$$u(Lx, y, t) = 0 (16)$$

$$u(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{Lx} u_0(\xi,\eta) G(x,y,\xi,\eta,t) d\xi d\eta$$
 (17)

$$+ \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{Lx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(\xi, \eta) G(x, y, \xi, \eta, t - \tau) d\xi d\eta d\tau$$
 (18)

$$G(x,\xi,t) = G_1(x,\xi,t)G_2(y,\eta,t)$$
 (19)

$$G_1(x,\xi,t) = \frac{2}{Lx} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{Lx}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi \xi}{Lx}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{an^2\pi^2 t}{Lx^2}\right)$$
(20)

$$G_2(y,\eta,t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi Ct}} \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{(y-\eta)^2}{4Ct}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{(y+\eta)^2}{4Ct}\right) \right]$$
(21)

### 3.2 Numerical schemes

Supposing this convention for discretisation:

$$f(x,t) \to f(x_i,t_j) \to f(x+i\Delta x,t+j\Delta t) \to f_{t+i}^{x+j}$$

#### 3.2.1Derivates

And considering an equation expressed as

$$\frac{\partial f(x,t)}{\partial t} = L(t, f(x,t)) \tag{22}$$

Forward difference : 
$$\partial_t f(t) = \frac{f^{t+1} - f^t}{\Delta t}$$
  
Backward difference :  $\partial_t f(t) = \frac{f^t - f^{t-1}}{\Delta t}$   
Centered difference :  $\partial_t f(t) = \frac{f^{t+1} - f^{t-1}}{2\Delta t}$  (23)

#### explicit Euler 3.2.2

$$\frac{f^{t+1} - f^t}{\Delta t} = L(t, f^t)$$

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \Delta t L(t, f^t)$$
(24)

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \Delta t L(t, f^t) \tag{25}$$

#### 3.2.3 implicit Euler

$$\frac{f^{t+1} - f^t}{\Delta t} = L(t + \Delta t, f^{t+1})$$

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \Delta t L(t + \Delta t, f^{t+1})$$
(26)

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \Delta t L(t + \Delta t, f^{t+1}) \tag{27}$$

#### 3.2.4Cranck-Nicholson

$$\frac{f^{t+1} - f^t}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{2}L(t, f^t) + \frac{1}{2}L(t + \Delta t, f^{t+1})$$
(28)

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \Delta t \left( \frac{1}{2} L(t, f^t) + \frac{1}{2} L(t + \Delta t, f^{t+1}) \right)$$
 (29)

#### 3.2.5 Runge-Kutta 4

$$f^{t+1} = f^t + \frac{\Delta t}{6} \left( k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4 \right) \tag{30}$$

with 
$$(31)$$

$$k_1 = \Delta t L(t, f^t) \tag{32}$$

$$k_2 = \Delta t L(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, f^t + \frac{1}{2}k_1)$$
 (33)

$$k_3 = \Delta t L(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, f^t + \frac{1}{2}k_2)$$
 (34)

$$k_4 = \Delta t L(t + \Delta t, f^t + k_3) \tag{35}$$

(36)

#### 3.3 Code AdvDiff1D

# download source and compile

 $Source\ code\ can\ be\ download\ at:\ \mathbf{https://github.com/GFuhr/MF\_FCM6/zipball/master}$ Source code is in folder TP1.

# how to compile

- On linux, this program can be compiled via the **make** command.
- On Windows, with any IDE editor such as VisualStudio or Code::Blocks, loading files advdiff.c and advdiff.h.

# 3.3.2 Initial Conditions

Time

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} & advection & diffusion \\ \hline t = 0 & u^0(x) & u^0(x) \end{array}$$

Space

**Initial Fields** 

$$u^{0}(x) \mid A \sin(\sigma \frac{\pi}{L_{x}}(x - x_{0})) \mid$$

$$u^{0}(x) \mid A \exp(-(x - x_{0})^{2}/\sigma^{2}) \mid$$

$$u^{0}(x) \mid \begin{cases} A \text{ si } x \in [x_{0} - \sigma/2; x_{0} + \sigma/2] \\ 0 \text{ sinon} \end{cases}$$

# I/O Inputs:

Initial parameters must be entered when you run the program.

• "Nx=?": number of points in radial direction

• "Npas=?" : number of iterations

• "Nout=?": every Nout iterations, u(t, x) will be write in a file

• "C=?" : diffusion coefficient

• "V=?" : advection coefficient

• "A=?" : Amplitude of the initial field described in 3.3.2

• "x0=?": parameter  $x_0$  defined in 3.3.2

• "sigma=?" parameter  $\sigma$  defined in 3.3.2

• "Dx=?" : radial step  $\Delta x$ 

• "Dt=?": time step  $\Delta t$ 

# Outputs:

Everytime you run the program, another outputfile will be generated **out\_XXXX.dat**. This file is coded in text (ASCII) contains Npas/Nout lines and Nx columns with values of  $u(t_i, x_i)$ .

### 3.4 H2D code

### 3.4.1 Download

Code is in the same archive as previous one:

https://github.com/GFuhr/MF\_FCM6/zipball/master,

H2D code is in folder TP2.

# 3.4.2 Compilation

- on linux, with make command
- on windows, a "project" file usable with Code::Blocks and a "solution" file for Visual Studio can be found in folder TP2/H2D/

# 3.4.3 I/O

## Inputs:

Initial parameters must be put in file params/params.h. Following parameters can be modified:

- "C" : diffusion coefficient
- "NX": number of points in x direction
- "NY": number of points in y direction
- "DT": time step
- "ITER" : nombre d'itérations en temps
- "LX" : Box size in x direction
- "LY": Box size in y direction
- "discret": spacial discretisation used, can be "real" or "fourier"
- "scheme" : numerical scheme used

"eule" : explicit Euler "euli" : implicit Euler

"eulis": implicit Euler with relaxations

"rk4" : Runge-Kutta 4 "cn" : Cranck-Nicholson

Initial fields/source can be modified in file params/functions.c

### Outputs:

Two files will be generated at each runs:  $\mathbf{H2D\_GPLOT\_XXXX}$ .dat and  $\mathbf{H2D\_OCT\_XXXX}$ .dat. The only difference is that (fichiers  $\_OCT\_$ ) can be used with octave and (fichiers  $\_GPLOT\_$ ) with gnuplot.

Files  $\_OCT_-$ , contain Ny lines de Nx columns with values of u(x, y, t). Files  $\_GPLOT_-$  contain Nx \* Ny lines and Nx columns with values of u(x, y, t).

Output format  $u(x_i, y_j) \rightarrow u_{i,j}$ :

Case where "discret=real", files GPLOT:

Case where "discret=fourier", files GPLOT:

$$\begin{cases} x_{0} & m_{0} & \Re(u_{i,j}) \\ x_{1} & m_{0} & \Re(u_{i,j}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{Nx-1} & m_{0} & \Re(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1}) \\ x_{0} & m_{1} & \Re(u_{0,1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{Nx-1} & m_{Ny-1} & \Re(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1}) \\ x_{0} & m_{0} & \Im(u_{i,j}) \\ x_{1} & m_{0} & \Im(u_{i,j}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{Nx-1} & m_{0} & \Im(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1}) \\ x_{0} & m_{1} & \Im(u_{0,1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{Nx-1} & m_{Ny-1} & \Im(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1}) \end{cases}$$

$$(38)$$

Case where "discret=real", files OCT:

Ny lines, Nx columns 
$$\begin{cases} u_{0,0} & u_{1,0} & \cdots & u_{Nx-1,0} \\ u_{0,1} & u_{1,1} & \cdots & u_{Nx-1,1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ u_{0,Ny-1} & u_{1,Ny-1} & \cdots & u_{Nx-1,Ny-1} \end{cases}$$
(39)

Case where "discret=fourier", files OCT:

$$2*Ny lines, Nx columns 
\begin{cases}
\Re(u_{0,0}) & \Re(u_{1,0}) & \cdots & \Re(u_{Nx-1,0}) \\
\Re(u_{0,1}) & \Re(u_{1,1}) & \cdots & \Re(u_{Nx-1,1}) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
\Re(u_{0,Ny-1}) & \Re(u_{1,Ny-1}) & \cdots & \Re(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1}) \\
\Im(u_{0,0}) & \Im(u_{1,0}) & \cdots & \Im(u_{Nx-1,0}) \\
\Im(u_{0,1}) & \Im(u_{1,1}) & \cdots & \Im(u_{Nx-1,1}) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
\Im(u_{0,Ny-1}) & \Im(u_{1,Ny-1}) & \cdots & \Im(u_{Nx-1,Ny-1})
\end{cases}$$
(40)

# 3.5 usefull commands

• to measure computation time, command **time** is used : time ./bin/h2d\_gcc.exe

<u>Remark</u> : time measure can be considered reliable only if it's at least 10 seconds.

 $\bullet$  How to plot 3D data with gnuplot. In following, we suppose NX=64 and NY=64

```
gnuplot> set dgrid3d 64,64
gnuplot> set hidden3d
gnuplot> splot "H2D_0000.dat" u 1:2:3 with lines
```

- with Octave
  - to read datas use function load
  - to plot datas u(x,y), use function surf
     octave> data=load('H2D\_0000.dat');
     octave> surf(data)