

Parabolic equations

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(ii) Crank - Nicholson Difference Method.

Consider the one dimensional heat equation

$$u_{xx} = u_t$$

→ ①

To solve ① we replace the partial derivatives by difference quotient.

At u_{ij} we have the following finite difference approximation for u_{xx} on the j^{th} row,

$$u_{xx} \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2}$$

Similarly at $u_{i,j+1}$, we have

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

Averaging these two approximations we get

$$u_{xx} \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j+1} - 2u_{i,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1} + u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{2h^2} \rightarrow ②$$

For u_t we use the forward difference

$$\text{approximation } u_t \approx \frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} \rightarrow ③$$

Using ② & ③ in ①, we get

(2)

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

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

where $\lambda = \frac{k}{ah^2}$

This eqn can be rewritten as

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

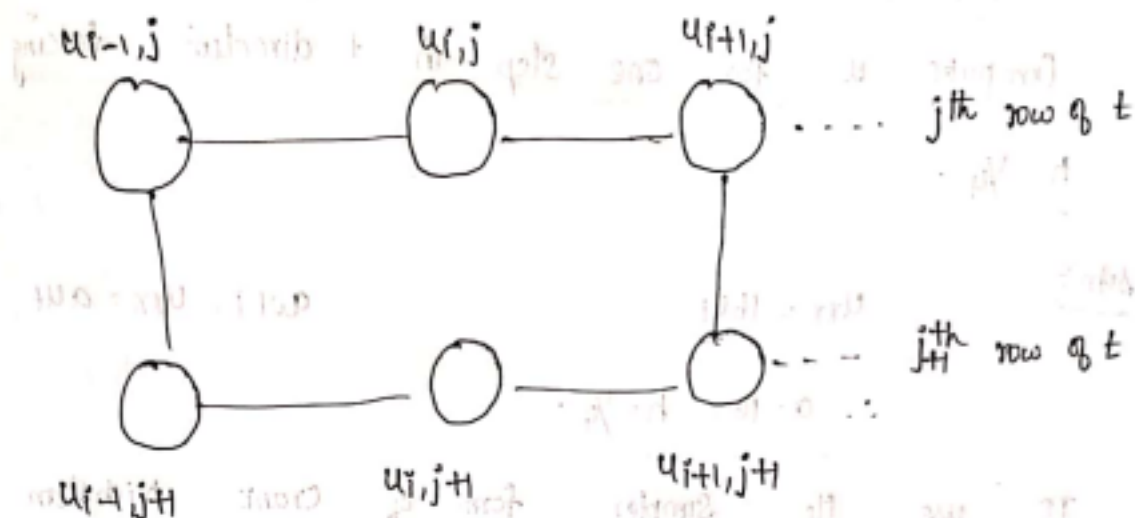
$$\lambda (u_{i+1, j} + u_{i-1, j})$$

The equation (f) is called Crank - Nicholson differ.

Scheme or method.

Note:

① The above formula is shown diagrammatically as follows.

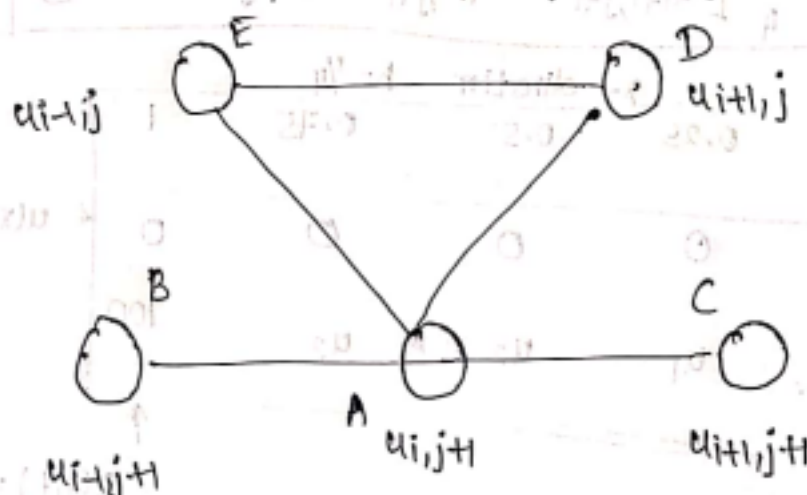


② Setting $\lambda = 1$, i.e. $\tau = \Delta t^2$

The Crank-Nicholson formula reduces to

$$u_{i,j+1} = \frac{1}{4} [u_{i-1,j+1} + u_{i+1,j+1} + u_{i-1,j} + u_{i+1,j}]$$

③ It is represented diagrammatically as follows.



The value of u at $A =$ average of the values

at $B, C, D, E.$

① Using Crank-Nicholson's scheme, solve

$$u_{xx} = 16u_t, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0 \text{ given}$$

Initial Cond. $u(1,0)=0$, $u(0,t)=0$, $u(1,t)=100t$.

Compute u for one step in t direction taking

$$h = 1/4$$

Soln:

$$u_{xx} = 16u_t$$

$$a = 16, \quad u_{xx} = a u_t$$

$$\therefore a = 16, \quad h = 1/4$$

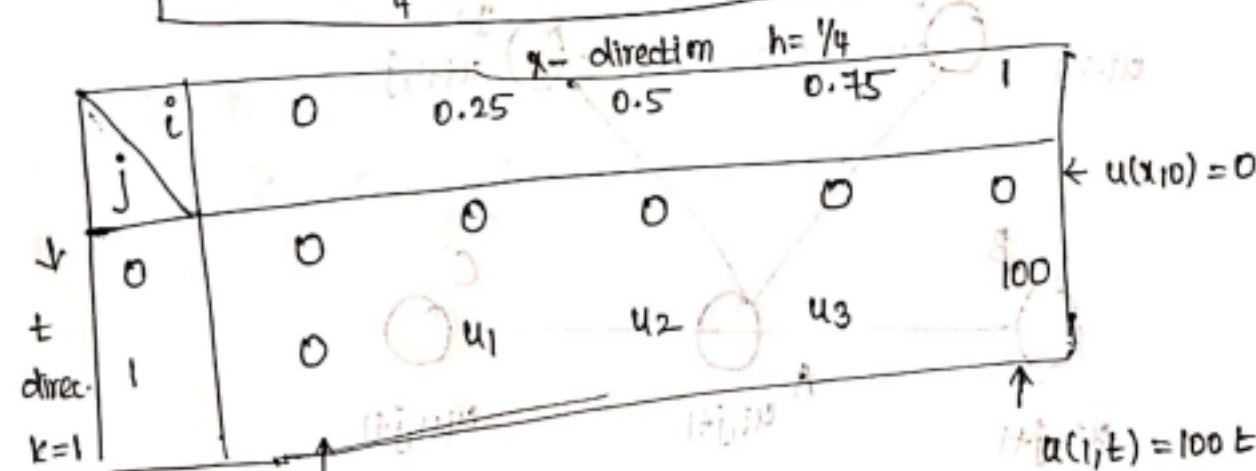
To use the simpler form of Crank-Nicholson

scheme, we choose k in such way that $k = ah^2$.

$$\text{i.e., } k = 16 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 = 1$$

$\therefore k = 1$
The Crank-Nicholson scheme is

$$u_{i,j+1} = \frac{1}{4} [u_{i+1,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1} + u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}] \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$



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

To find u_1, u_2, u_3 we use $\textcircled{1}$ at

these points.

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (0+0+0+u_2) \therefore u_1 = \frac{1}{4} u_2 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (0+0+u_1+u_3) \therefore u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1+u_3) \rightarrow (3)$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (0+0+u_2+100) \therefore u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (u_2+100) \rightarrow (4)$$

Sub. u_1, u_3 values in (3).

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{4} (u_2) + \frac{1}{4} (u_2+100) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{16} u_2 + \frac{1}{16} u_2 + \frac{25}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{8} u_2 + \frac{25}{4} \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{50}{7} = 7.1429$$

$$\therefore u_1 = 1.7857 \text{ and } u_3 = 26.7857$$

\therefore The values are

$$u_1 = 1.7857$$

$$u_2 = 7.1429$$

$$u_3 = 26.7857$$

2) Solve by Crank-Nicholson method the equation $u_{xx} = u_t$ subject to $u(x,0)=0$, $u(0,t)=0$ & $u(1,t)=t$ for two time steps.

Soln:- $u_{xx} = u_t$ (given)

wkt $u_{xx} = au_t$

$$\therefore a=1$$

x ranges from 0 to 1. Take $h = \frac{1}{4}$

To use the simpler form of Crank-Nicholson scheme, we choose k such that $k = ah^2$.

$$\therefore k = (1) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16} \therefore k = \frac{1}{16}$$

(6)

The Crank-Nicholson Scheme

$$u_{i,j+1} = \frac{1}{4} [u_{i+1,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1} + u_{i-1,j} + u_{i+1,j}] \quad (1)$$

x-direction $h = 1/4$

j \ i		0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\frac{1}{16}$	0	0	u_1	u_2	u_3	$\frac{1}{16}$
$\frac{2}{16}$	0	0	u_4	u_5	u_6	$\frac{2}{16}$

t
 direc.
 $k = \frac{1}{16}$

$u(0,t) = 0$
 $u(1,t) = t$

To find u_1, u_2, u_3 we use (1) at these points.

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 0 + 0 + u_2) \quad \therefore u_1 = \frac{1}{4} u_2 \quad (2)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 0 + u_1 + u_3) \quad \therefore u_2 = \frac{1}{4} (u_1 + u_3) \quad (3)$$

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (0 + 0 + u_2 + \frac{1}{16}) \quad \therefore u_3 = \frac{1}{4} (u_2 + \frac{1}{16}) \quad (4)$$

Sub u_1 & u_3 in eqn (3) \therefore

$$\therefore u_2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{4} u_2 + \frac{1}{4} (u_2 + \frac{1}{16}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{u_2}{4} + \frac{u_2}{4} + \frac{1}{64} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{2u_2}{4} + \frac{1}{64} \right] = \frac{u_2}{8} + \frac{1}{256} \quad (7)$$

$$u_2 - \frac{u_2}{8} = \frac{1}{256}$$

$$\frac{7u_2}{8} = \frac{1}{256} \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{1}{224} = 0.0045$$

$$\therefore u_1 = \frac{1}{896} = 0.0011, \quad u_3 = 0.0168$$

Similarly, u_4, u_5, u_6 can be got again getting 3

equations \rightarrow 3 unknowns u_4, u_5, u_6 .

$$\therefore u_4 = 0.005899$$

$$u_5 = 0.01913$$

$$u_6 = 0.05277$$

⑤ Using Crank-Nicholson method, solve $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$

subject to $u(x,0)=0, u(0,t)=0$ & $u(1,t)=t$.

taking $h = \frac{1}{4}$ & $k = \frac{1}{8}$.

Assm:

Given $u_t = u_{xx}$.

wkt

$$u_{xx} = a u_t$$

$$\therefore a=1$$

$$\text{If } h = \frac{1}{4}, \quad k = \frac{1}{8}, \quad \lambda = \frac{k}{ah^2} = \frac{1/8}{(1)(1/4)^2} = 2$$

Using in general Crank-Nicholson formula, (3)

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

Sub $\lambda = 2$, we get

$$u_{i+1,j+1} + u_{i-1,j+1} - 3u_{i,j+1} = u_{i,j} - u_{i+1,j} - u_{i-1,j}$$

(4)

$x \leftarrow$ direction

$i \backslash j$	0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1	
t	0	0	0	0	0	
direc.	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	u_1	u_2	u_3	$\frac{1}{8}$
$t = \frac{1}{8}$						

$u(0,t) = 0$

$u(1,0) = 0$

$u(1,t) = t$

To find u_1, u_2, u_3 we use (4) at these points

$$\therefore 0 + u_2 - 3u_1 = 0 \quad \therefore u_2 = 3u_1 \quad (1)$$

$$u_1 + u_3 - 3u_2 = 0 \quad \therefore 3u_2 = u_1 + u_3 \quad (2)$$

$$u_2 + \frac{1}{8} - 3u_3 = 0 \quad \therefore 3u_3 = u_2 + \frac{1}{8} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Adding (1) + (3), } 3(u_1 + u_3) = 2u_2 + \frac{1}{8} \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\text{From (2) \& (4), } 3(3u_2) = 2u_2 + \frac{1}{8}$$

$$9u_2 = 2u_2 + \frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow 7u_2 = \frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow u_2 = \frac{1}{56}$$

$$\therefore u_2 = \frac{1}{56} = 0.01786$$

$$\text{Sub } u_2 \text{ in eqn (1), } u_1 = \frac{1}{168} = 0.00595$$

$$\text{Sub } u_2 \text{ in eqn (3), } u_3 = \frac{8}{168} = 0.04762$$

