

# Computtional Methods and C++ Assignment

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# 1 Introduction

In this assignment we are asked to examine the application of numerical schemes for the solution of partial differential equations. In order to do so we will consider the following problem.

A wall 1 ft. thick and infinite in other directions has an initial uniform temperature  $T_{in}$  of 100°F. The surface temperatures  $T_{sur}$  at the two sides are suddenly increased and maintained at 300°F. The wall is composed of nickel steel (40% Ni) with a diffusivity of  $D = 0.1 \text{ ft}^2/\text{hr}$ . Please compute the temperature distribution within the wall as a function of time. The governing equation to be solved is the unsteady one-space dimensional heat conduction equation, which in Cartesian coordinates is:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \quad (1)$$

## 1.1 Presentation of the different methods used

### 1.1.1 DuFort-Frankel

The DuFort-Frankel scheme is an explicit scheme unconditionally stable for the parabolic PDE is:

$$\frac{T_i^{n+1} - T_i^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = D \frac{T_{i+1}^n - (T_i^{n+1} + T_i^{n-1}) + T_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \quad (2)$$

This equation leads to an explicit form which is:

$$T_i^{n+1}(1 + 2r) = T_i^{n-1} + 2r(T_{i+1}^n - T_i^{n-1} + T_{i-1}^n), r = \frac{D\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \quad (3)$$

### 1.1.2 Richardson

The Richardson scheme is an explicit scheme, unconditionally unstable:

$$\frac{T_i^{n+1} - T_i^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = D \frac{T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \quad (4)$$

This equation leads to an explicit form which is:

$$T_i^{n+1} = 2r(T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n) + T_i^{n-1}, r = \frac{D\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \quad (5)$$

### 1.1.3 Laasonen

The Laasonen scheme is an implicit scheme, that as for equation:

$$\frac{T_i^{n+1} - T_i^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = D \frac{T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \quad (6)$$

This equation leads to a form that results in a system of linear equations:

$$-rT_{i+1}^{n+1} + (1 + 2r)T_i^{n+1} - rT_{i-1}^{n+1} = T_i^n, r = \frac{D\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} \quad (7)$$

#### 1.1.4 Crank-Nicholson

The Crank-Nicholson scheme is an implicit scheme, that as for equation:

$$\frac{T_i^{n+1} - T_i^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{D}{2} \left( \frac{T_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2T_i^{n+1} + T_{i-1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{T_{i+1}^n - 2T_i^n + T_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \right) \quad (8)$$

This equation leads to a form that result in asystem of linear equation:

$$-\frac{r}{2}T_{i+1}^{n+1} + (1+r)T_i^{n+1} - \frac{r}{2}T_{i-1}^{n+1} = \frac{r}{2}T_{i+1}^n + (1-r)T_i^n + \frac{r}{2}T_{i-1}^n \quad (9)$$

## 2 Methods and Procedures

### 2.1 Code Structure

To resolve the problem we decided to create a Oriented Object program base on those figures (for readability reason I divided the structure in three graphics):

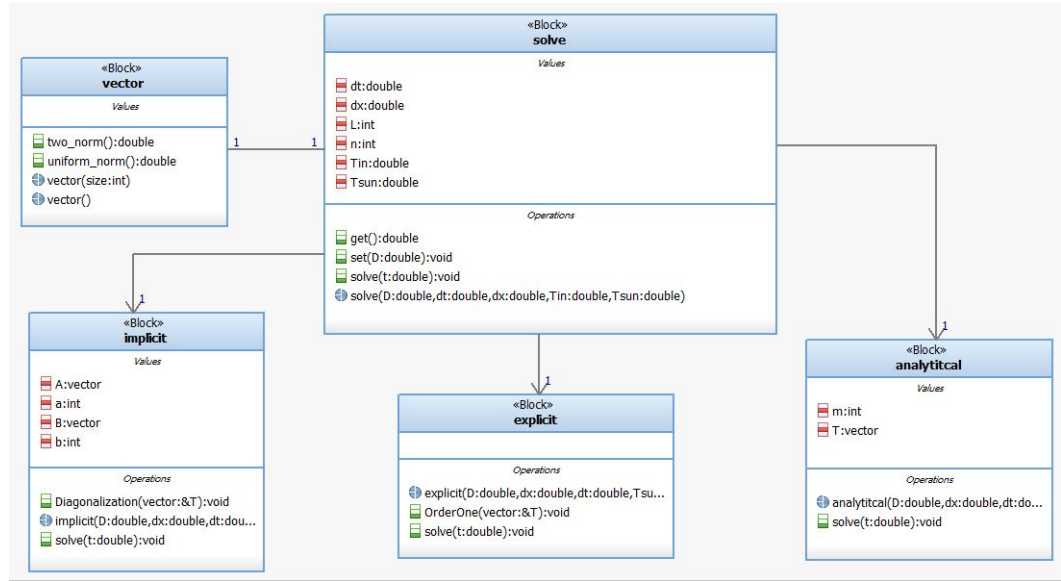


Figure 1: General Architecture

The based class is **Solve**. It has a number of argument:

- D the diffusivity which is in the assignment of  $D = 0.1 \text{ ft}^2/\text{hr}$
- dt the gap in time between n and n+1
- dx the gap in space between i and i+1
- Tin the initial temperature of the wall here  $Tin = 100^\circ F$
- Tsun the temperature on the two sides that are maintained at  $Tsun = 300^\circ F$

- L the length of the wall which is fix to 1 ft. in this exercise
- n the number of possible position x for a fixed t, it calculated with  $n = \frac{L}{dx}$

It also has couples of methods:

- Solve(double D, double dx, double dt, double Tsun, double Tin), the only constructor of this class and initialize the different value depending on the user input
- solve(double t) a virtual methods that is created to be use in the derived class it will be the function that solve and print the result of the problem.
- get() / set() methods, basic accessor methods

The **Solve** class also have three derived class **Implicit**, **Explicit**, and **Analytical**. The **Implicit** and **Explicit** class are further details below. We will talk about the **Analytical** class.

The class **Analytical** calculate the analytical solution of the input problem. The class provided two new arguments:

- m it is an integer used to simplify the expression of T since the analytical value of T is :

$$T = T_{sur} + 2(T_{in} - T_{sur}) \sum_{m=1}^{m=\infty} e^{-D(m\pi/L)^2 t} \frac{1 - (-1)^m}{m\pi} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \quad (10)$$

So we need to get a smaller m for the upper border of the sum. We choosed to fix it at 10 000, the result obtain was close enough to make this simplification.

- T it is a vector defined as an argument to initialize it in the constructor

The **Analytical** class has also two methods :

- The constructor analytical(...) it is based on the constructor of the solve class, it also initialize the value of m and the vector T
- The solve function that is here defined to print the value of the analytical solution T of the problem with the approximation as explain above. It will print the value of T at each 0.1hr until the argument t is reach

The **Vector** class is associated with the **Solve** class, it is use to defined vector in the derived class. The methods of the vector class:

- one\_norm
- two\_norm
- uniform\_norm

are used to compare the analytical and the different schemes methods.

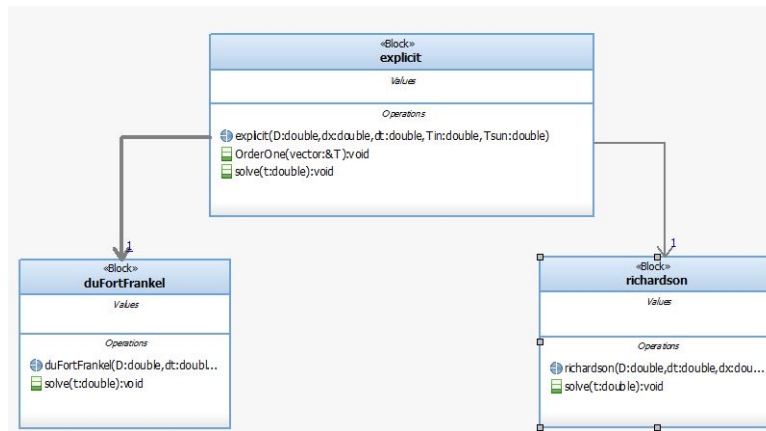


Figure 2: Explicit Architecture

The derived **Explicit** class is also a based class for two other class: the **DuFortFrankel** class and the **Richardson** class. Each of them solving the proble; with the scheme of the same name.

The **Explicit** class doesn't define any new argument and as the same methods as the **Solving** class

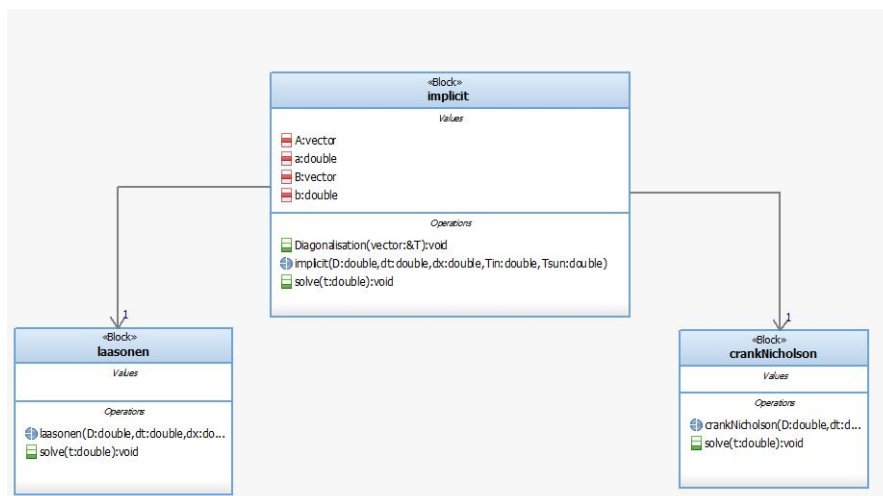


Figure 3: Implicit Architecture