

# **HAMT - Tool for simulation of Heat And Mass Transfer**

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# 1 Numerics

According to [1] the Gauss divergence theorem can be rewritten as

$$\int_V \nabla \vec{F} \, d^n V = \oint_S \vec{F} \cdot \vec{n} \, d^{n-1} S \quad (1.1)$$

Using  $\nabla f$  for  $\vec{F}$  Eqn. (1.1) can be rewritten as

$$\int_V \nabla^2 f \, d^n V = \oint_S (\nabla f) \cdot \vec{n} \, d^{n-1} S \quad (1.2)$$

For the numerical solution a cell wise discretization is made. Assuming that  $\nabla^2 f$  is constants over a cell the equation above reduces to

$$V_C \cdot \nabla^2 f = \sum_i^N (\nabla f) \cdot \vec{n}_i \cdot A_i. \quad (1.3)$$

## 1.1 2D Application for triangular mesh

For a triangular mesh assuming one can write

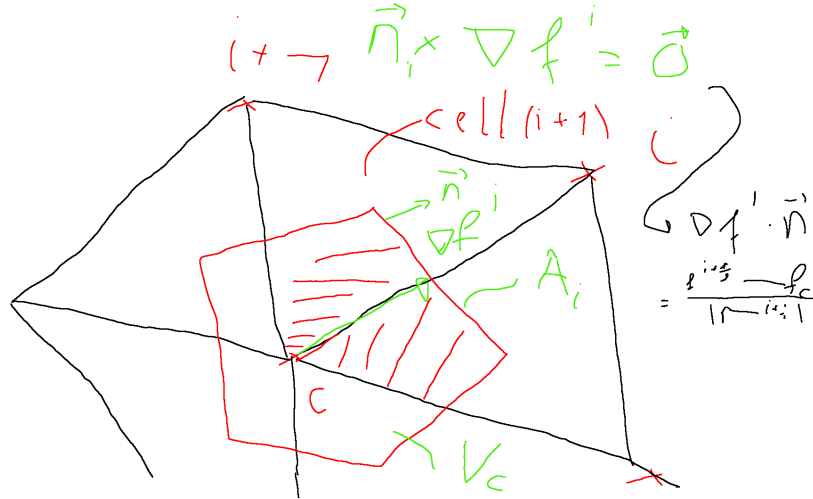


Figure 1.1: Test

$$\nabla f \cdot \vec{n}_i = \frac{f_i - f_C}{|\vec{r}_i|} \quad (1.4)$$

for a 2d geometry  $A_{C,i}$  becomes a line segment

$$A_i = |\vec{b}_{i+1} - \vec{b}_i| = L_i \quad (1.5)$$

where  $\vec{b}_i$  is the barycentre of the last cell containing the point  $i$ . In this context  $V_C$  becomes the volume of created new cell  $A_C$  which is defined as

$$A_C = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum_i^N \vec{b}_{i+1} \times \vec{b}_i \quad (1.6)$$

This leads to

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{A_C} \cdot \sum_i^N \frac{f_i - f_C}{|\vec{r}_i|} \cdot |\vec{b}_{i+1} - \vec{b}_i|. \quad (1.7)$$

## 1.2 Gradient

Is given as

$$\nabla f_c = \frac{1}{2A_c} \sum_{i=1}^3 f_i \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -e_{i,y} \\ e_{i,x} \\ e_{i,z} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.8)$$

where  $\vec{e}_i$  is the vector representing the  $i$ th vertex and is rotated to point to the cell centre and  $f_i$  is the function value at the vertex  $i$ .

$$f_i = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f_{i,0} + f_{i,1}) \quad (1.9)$$

where  $f_{i,k}$  is the value of the  $k$ th node of the vertex.

$$\vec{e}_i = \vec{e}_{i,1} - \vec{e}_{i,0} \quad (1.10)$$

Leads to

$$\nabla f_c = \frac{1}{4A_c} \sum_{k=2}^3 \left( (f_k + f_{k-1}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(\vec{x}_k - \vec{x}_{k-1})_y \\ (\vec{x}_k - \vec{x}_{k-1})_x \\ (\vec{x}_k - \vec{x}_{k-1})_z \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (1.11)$$

The derivative at given point  $p$  surrounded by cells is given as

$$\nabla f_p = \frac{1}{\sum_{c=1}^N A_c} \cdot \sum_{c=1}^N \nabla f_c \cdot A_c \quad (1.12)$$

since we are only interested in the normal derivative at point  $p$

$$|\nabla f_p|_{\vec{n}_p} = \frac{1}{\sum_{c=1}^N A_c} \cdot \sum_{c=1}^N \nabla f_c \cdot \vec{n}_p \cdot A_c \quad (1.13)$$

## 1.3 Gradient 2

Eqn. (1.1)

$$\int_V \vec{c} \cdot \nabla f \, d^n V = \oint_S \vec{c} f \cdot \vec{n} \, d^{n-1} S + \underbrace{\int_V f (\nabla \cdot \vec{c}) \, d^n V}_{=0 \text{ for } \vec{c}=\text{const}} \quad (1.14)$$

interpreting  $\vec{c}$  as the normal of the wall at which the gradient is given ( $\vec{n}_g$ ) leads to

$$\int_V \nabla_{\vec{n}_g} f \, d^n V = \oint_S f \cdot (\vec{n}_g \cdot \vec{n}) \, d^{n-1} S \quad (1.15)$$

Discretizing over a cell and assuming const  $\nabla_{\vec{n}_g} f$  over cell leads to

$$A_c \cdot \nabla_{\vec{n}_g} f = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{2} \cdot (f_{i+1} + f_i) \cdot (\vec{n}_g \cdot \underbrace{\vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i}_{M \cdot (\vec{x}_{i+1} - \vec{x}_i)}) \quad (1.16)$$

within

$$\vec{r}_{i+1,i} = \vec{x}_{i+1} - \vec{x}_i \quad (1.17)$$

and

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1.18)$$

is

$$M \cdot \vec{r}_{i+1,i} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{i+1,i,y} \\ -r_{i+1,i,x} \\ r_{i+1,i,z} \end{bmatrix} = \vec{p}_{i+1,i} \quad (1.19)$$

leads to

$$\nabla_{\vec{n}_g} f = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{f_{i+1} + f_i}{2A_c} \cdot \vec{n}_g \cdot \vec{p}_{i+1,i} + \frac{f_1 + f_3}{2A_c} \cdot \vec{n}_g \cdot \vec{p}_{1,3} \quad (1.20)$$

## 2 Heat Transfer

The base equation for the heat transfer is the balance equation of the form

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = f(\vec{r}, t) \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\rho$  is the density of the quantity in question,  $\vec{j}$  is the flux,  $\vec{r}$  is the position vector and  $t$  is time. For heat transfer problem we define  $\rho$  as the volumetric heat density  $q$  which is defined as

$$q = \frac{Q}{V} = c \rho T \quad (2.2)$$

$\vec{j}$  is equivalent to the heat flux  $\vec{q}$

$$\vec{q} = -\lambda \nabla T \quad (2.3)$$

and the source  $f(\vec{r}, t)$  is the volumetric heat source  $\dot{q}_v(\vec{r}, t)$ . Inserting 2.2 and 2.3 in 2.1 leads to the heat transfer equation

$$\frac{\partial(c \rho T)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-\lambda \nabla T) = \dot{q}_v(\vec{r}, t) \quad (2.4)$$

where the quantities are defined as seen in table 2.1.

Table 2.1: Heat Transfer - parameters

Quantity	Description	Unit
$c$	Specific heat capacity	$\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
$\rho$	Density	$\text{kg m}^{-3}$
$T$	Temperature	K
$\lambda$	Thermal conductivity	$\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
$\dot{q}_v$	Volumetric heat source	$\text{W m}^{-3}$

### 2.1 Homogeneous Heat Transfer Equation

Assuming no time dependence  $\frac{\partial(c \rho T)}{\partial t} = 0$  and no heat source  $\dot{q}_v(\vec{r}, t) = 0$  Eqn. (2.4) reduces to

$$\nabla \cdot (\lambda \nabla T) = 0 \quad (2.5)$$

where  $\lambda = \text{fn}(\vec{r})$ . According to the product rules for vector calculus Eqn. (2.5) evaluates to

$$\nabla \cdot (\lambda \nabla T) = \nabla T \cdot (\nabla \lambda) + \lambda (\nabla \cdot \nabla T) \quad (2.6)$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\lambda \nabla T) = \nabla \lambda \cdot \nabla T + \lambda \cdot \nabla^2 T \quad (2.7)$$

which leads to

$$\nabla \lambda \cdot \nabla T + \lambda \cdot \nabla^2 T = 0. \quad (2.8)$$

### 2.1.1 2D Cartesian Formulation

Evaluating Eq. (2.5) for two variables in cartesian form leads to

$$\nabla(\lambda \nabla T) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) \quad (2.9)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial y} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \quad (2.10)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial y} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \quad (2.11)$$

$$= \nabla \lambda \cdot \nabla T + \lambda \cdot \nabla^2 T \quad (2.12)$$

### 2.1.2 2D Cylindrical Formulation

Evaluating Eq. (2.5) for two variables in cartesian form leads to

$$\nabla(\lambda \nabla T) = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left( \lambda \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} \right) \quad (2.13)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \left[ \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \phi} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} + \lambda \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} \right] \quad (2.14)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \phi} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} + \lambda \left[ \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} \right] \quad (2.15)$$

$$= \nabla \lambda \cdot \nabla T + \lambda \left[ \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} \right] \quad (2.16)$$

## 2.2 Finite-Difference Scheme - Triangular Unordered 2D Grid

Using a second order Taylor series expansion around a arbitray point in space for two variables on can write

$$T f(x; a) = f(a) + \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{\partial f(a)}{\partial x_j} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^2 \frac{\partial^2 f(a)}{\partial x_j \partial x_k} (x_k - a_k) + O(\Delta^3) \quad (2.17)$$

## 2.3 Finite-Difference Scheme - Homogeneous Equidistant 2D Grid

### 2.3.1 Boundary Conditions

For all boundary condition is present the dirichlet boundary condtions always orride other boudnary conditions on contact nodes. If two cells with different dirichlet boundary condtions touch, a arichmetical mean is taken.

#### Corner Boundary Conditions

Examples buttom left corner

$$T_{i+1,j} - T_{i,j} = \Delta x_1 c_1 \quad (2.18)$$

$$T_{i,j+1} - T_{i,j} = \Delta x_2 c_2 \quad (2.19)$$

By adding the two functions one gets

$$T_{i+1,j} + T_{i,j+1} - 2T_{i,j} = \Delta x_1 c_1 + \Delta x_2 c_2. \quad (2.20)$$

### Radiation Boundary Conditions

$$\vec{q}_r = \epsilon \sigma T^4 \vec{n} \quad (2.21)$$

Using the Taylor series

$$T f(x; a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x - a)^n \quad (2.22)$$

we get the linearized equation for the heat flux due to radiation

$$T \dot{q}_r(T; T_0) = (4 \epsilon \sigma T_0^3) T - 3 \epsilon \sigma T_0^4. \quad (2.23)$$

Using equation (2.3)

$$-\lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = T \dot{q}_r(T; T_0) \quad (2.24)$$

leads to the discretized, linear equation

$$(1 + 4 k T_0^3) T_i - T_{i-1} = 3 k T_0^4 \quad (2.25)$$

where

$$k = \frac{\epsilon \sigma \Delta x}{\lambda} \quad (2.26)$$

Table 2.2: Radiation Boundary Condition - parameters

Quantity	Description	Unit
$\epsilon$	Emissivity factor	—
$\sigma$	Stefan-Boltzmann constant	$\text{W m}^{-2} \text{K}^{-4}$
$\Delta x$	Spatial step	m

### 2.3.2 Cartesian Coordinates

The homogeneous heat equation in cartesian coordinates is expressed as

$$\lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad (2.27)$$

By assuming only the  $x$  and  $y$  directions equation (2.27) reduces to

$$\lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = 0. \quad (2.28)$$

Using equation (??) equation (2.28) can be discretized as

$$\lambda_{i+1,j} T_{i+1,j} + \lambda_{i,j+1} T_{i,j+1} - \lambda_{tot} T_{i,j} + \lambda_{i-1,j} T_{i-1,j} + \lambda_{i,j-1} T_{i,j-1} = 0 \quad (2.29)$$

where

$$\lambda_{tot} = \lambda_{i+1,j} + \lambda_{i-1,j} + \lambda_{i,j+1} + \lambda_{i,j-1}. \quad (2.30)$$

In case any of the  $\lambda$  parameters is to be taken on a boundary between two segments, a mean between the two is to be taken. The correctness of this assumption can be proven by setting up 4 equations around a center node using Fourier's law. For  $\lambda = \text{const}$  the equation reduces to

$$T_{i+1,j} + T_{i,j+1} - 4 T_{i,j} + T_{i-1,j} + T_{i,j-1} = 0 \quad (2.31)$$



### 2.3.3 Cylinder Coordinates

while in cylinder coordinates as

$$\lambda \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \lambda \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} + \lambda \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} = 0. \quad (2.32)$$

### 2.3.4 Verification

Heat conductivity through a layered wall

$$\dot{q} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\Delta x_i}{\lambda_i} \right)^{-1} \Delta T \quad (2.33)$$

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