

update rule
forward difference
method

$$u^{(j+1)} = A u^{(j)} + S^{(j)} \quad (1)$$

Implementation:
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Forward difference for heat PDE is stable if $\frac{\Delta t D}{(\Delta x)^2} \leq 1/2$.

$$j=1 \longrightarrow u^{(1)} = A u^{(0)} + S^{(0)} \quad (\text{prove later})$$

$$j=2 \longrightarrow u^{(2)} = A (A u^{(0)} + S^{(0)}) + S^{(1)}$$

$$= A^2 u^{(0)} + A S^{(0)} + S^{(1)}$$

$$j=N \longrightarrow u^{(N)} = A^N u^{(0)} + \dots$$

$$u^{(N)} = A^N u^{(0)} + A^{N-1} S^{(0)} + A^{N-2} S^{(1)} + \dots + S^{(N-1)}$$

Convergence of Eqo (1) depends on e-values of matrix A .

Reason:

Let $U^{(j)} = [u(x_i, t_j)]$ be the exact solution.

Let $u^{(j)} = [u_{i,j}]$ be the approximation of heat.

$$\text{Error} = u^{(j)} - U^{(j)} = (A u^{(j-1)} + S^{(j-1)}) - (A U^{(j-1)} + S^{(j-1)})$$

$$e^{(j)} = A (u^{(j-1)} - U^{(j-1)})$$

$$e^{(j)} = A e^{(j-1)}$$

To ensure that errors $e^{(j)}$ are not amplified, the spectral radius of A $\rho(A) < 1$, where $\rho(A) = \max \{ |\lambda_i| \}$.

Thus, for $u^{(N)}$, matrix A^N is bounded: because $\lambda_i \longrightarrow \text{Constant}$.

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$\rho(A) < 1$ means that $|\lambda_i| < 1$ for $i = 1, \dots, M-1$.

If $|\lambda_i| > 1$, every time step $u^{(j)}$ will get larger and larger.

But, physically, we expect to get temperature u smaller and smaller.

We conclude $|\lambda_i| < 1$, provided that $\frac{\Delta t D}{(\Delta x)^2} \leq 1/2$.

Solve heat PDE using "Backward difference method"

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \approx \frac{u(x, t) - u(x, t - \Delta t)}{\Delta t}$$

Recall:

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

update rule: $u_{i,j} - u_{i,j-1} = \delta (u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}), \quad \delta = \frac{\Delta t D}{(\Delta x)^2}$

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

unknowns in time step j

knowns from time $j-1$

Backward method is implicit.

BC. (for simplicity): $\begin{cases} u_{0,j} = l_j = 0 \\ u_{M,j} = r_j = 0 \end{cases}$

Matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+2\delta & -\delta & 0 & 0 \\ -\delta & 1+2\delta & -\delta & 0 \\ 0 & -\delta & 1+2\delta & -\delta \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & -\delta & 1+2\delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,j} \\ \vdots \\ u_{M-1,j} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,j-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{M-1,j-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\underline{B} u^{(j)} = u^{(j-1)}$$

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$$j=1 \rightarrow B u^{(1)} = u^{(0)} = f$$

$$\text{Recall: } u^{(0)} = [u_{i,0}] = f_i = f \\ i=0, \dots, M$$

$$u^{(1)} = B^{-1} f$$

$$u^{(N)} = (B^{-1})^N f$$

The convergence of backward method depends on e-values of B^{-1} .

The backward method is stable if e-values of B^{-1} $|\lambda_i| < 1$.

for $i=1, \dots, M-1$

Stability of forward and backward methods:

Convergence of both rules depends on e-values of tridiagonal matrices.

We now derive formula for the e-values of symmetric tridiagonal matrices.

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ b & a & b & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & b & a & b & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & b & a \end{bmatrix}_{M \times M}$$

we show that $\lambda = a + 2b \cos \frac{\pi k}{M+1}$ for $k=1, \dots, M$ are e-values of matrix A ($A \underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$).

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Proof:

we wish to solve: $A\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$ for $\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_M \end{pmatrix}$ and λ , using (4)
finite difference method.

$$ax_1 + bx_2 = \lambda x_1 \quad ; x_0 = 0$$

$$bx_1 + ax_2 + bx_3 = \lambda x_2$$

$$\vdots$$
$$bx_{M-1} + ax_M + bx_{M+1} = \lambda x_M \quad x_{M+1} = 0$$

$$bx_{j-1} + ax_j + bx_{j+1} = \lambda x_j$$

$$bx_{j-1} + (a - \lambda)x_j + bx_{j+1} = 0 \quad (*)$$

Eq. (*) has a solution \underline{x} for only special values of λ with formula (+).

Recall: to solve $c_1 y'' + c_2 y' + c_3 y = 0$

$$\text{try: } y = e^{qx}$$

$$(c_1 q^2 + c_2 q + c_3) e^{qx} = 0$$

look at roots and
write general solution

we seek a trial solution $x_j = r^j$ where r is to be found.
 $= e^{j \ln r}$

substituting trial solution in Eq. (*):

$$br^{j-1} + (a - \lambda)r^j + br^{j+1} = 0$$

$$r^{j-1} (b + (a - \lambda)r + br^2) = 0$$

Take $r^{j-1} \neq 0 \quad \forall r$ \rightarrow we wish to solve for r .

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$$b + (a-\lambda)r + br^2 = 0$$

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-(a-\lambda) \pm \sqrt{(a-\lambda)^2 - 4b^2}}{2b}$$

but this is cumbersome!

Instead, we write roots r_1, r_2 :

$$b(r-r_1)(r-r_2) = 0$$

$$b(r^2 - (r_1+r_2)r + r_1r_2) = 0$$

$$br^2 + (a-\lambda)r + b = 0$$

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$$\rightarrow r_1 r_2 = 1 \rightarrow r_2 = 1/r_1$$

$$r_2 = 1/r_1$$

$$-b(r_1+r_2) = a-\lambda$$

Now, general solution: for equation (*) is:

$$x_j = \alpha r_1^j + \beta r_2^j$$

Fry BCs: $x_0 = 0$

$$x_0 = \alpha + \beta = 0 \rightarrow \beta = -\alpha$$

$$x_j = \alpha (r_1^j - r_2^j)$$

$$x_{M+1} = 0 \rightarrow x_{M+1} = \alpha (r_1^{M+1} - r_2^{M+1}) = 0$$

If $\alpha = 0 \rightarrow$ General solution is $x_j = 0$ (not useful)

If $(r_1^{M+1} - r_2^{M+1}) = 0 \rightarrow$ This will lead to find e-values.