

# FTCS Solver

$$\text{number density } \left( \frac{\partial n}{\partial t} \right)^K = \frac{n^{K+1} - n^K}{\Delta t} + O(1)$$

time step

$$\frac{n_{i,j}^{K+1} - n_{i,j}^K}{\Delta t} = D \left[ \frac{n_{i,j}^K - 2n_{i,j}^K + n_{i+1,j}^K}{\Delta^2 x} + \frac{n_{i,j-1}^K - 2n_{i,j}^K + n_{i,j+1}^K}{\Delta^2 y} \right] + R_{i,j}^K$$

Source term

Forward time: forward Euler approximation for first order approx time  
 Central Space: central difference stencil (2nd order accurate in space)

## Unsteady Diffusion Equation

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (n \vec{v}) + \nabla \cdot (D \nabla n) + R$$

$\underbrace{-\nabla \cdot (n \vec{v})}_{\text{advection term}}$   
 $\underbrace{\nabla \cdot (D \nabla n)}_{\text{diffusion term}}$   
 $\underbrace{R}_{\substack{\text{Source term} \\ \text{local creation or destruction}}}$

Movement caused by flow field (fluid carrying particles)  
 Spread due to random molecular motion

## Steady Diffusion Equation

1.  $\vec{v} = 0$  no flow: removes advection term
2.  $R = 0$  no sources: removes the source term
3.  $D = 0$  constant diffusion coefficient

$$\nabla \cdot (D \nabla n) = D \nabla^2 n$$

4.  $\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = 0$  Steady state: no time dependence

$$0 = D \nabla^2 n$$

$D \neq 0 \therefore \nabla^2 n = 0$   $\leftarrow$  identical to steady heat equation  
 Connection to FTCS

## Unsteady diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = D \nabla^2 n + R$$

$$\frac{n_{i,j}^{K+1} - n_{i,j}^K}{\Delta t} = D \dots$$

# Heat-Sink Cooling for Pulsed Rocket Firing

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \alpha \nabla^2 T$$

insulating far side wall

$$\frac{dT}{dx} = 0 \quad (\text{zero-derivative Neumann BC})$$

hot side boundary condition ( $x=0$ )

$$h_g [T_{og} - T(x=0)] = K \frac{dT}{dx}$$

convective heat transfer coefficient  
stagnation temperature of hot combustion gasses  
thermal conductivity of the wall

$$\alpha = \frac{\kappa}{\rho c_p}$$

density  
specific heat capacity of wall material

When not firing

$$\frac{dT}{dx} = 0$$

When firing

$$h_g, T_{og} \text{ constant} \quad K, \alpha \text{ constant throughout the wall}$$

Questions:

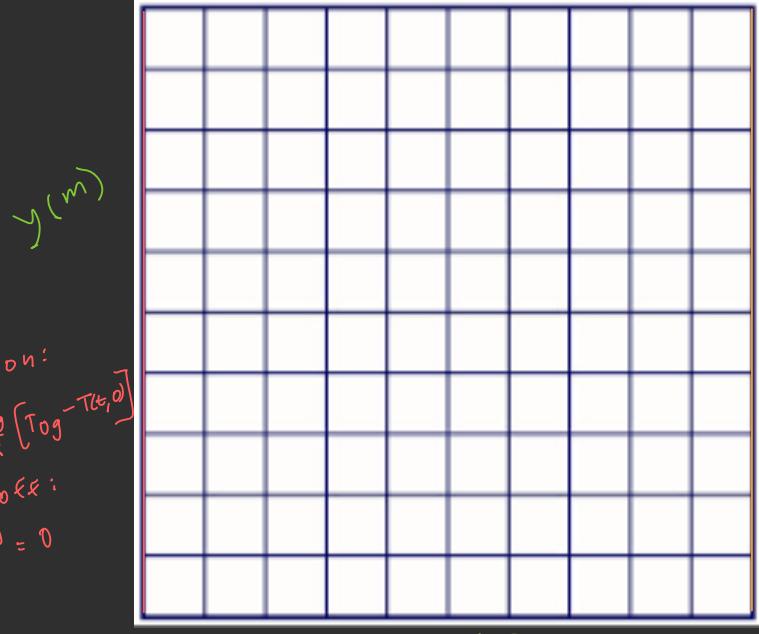
- Does this simulation have several frames like a video?
- What dimensions does the 2D plot have, 1cm x 1cm?
- 1D to 2D?

Recipe:

1. Special part is finite difference

2. Time part is forward euler method

$$x=0 \quad x=L = 1\text{cm} = 0.01\text{m}$$



$$\frac{\partial T(t, 0)}{\partial x} = 0$$



# Pseudo Code Part I Heat Sink Cooling for Pulsed Rocket Firing

// initialization

double  $T[k+1][n+1] \leftarrow$  2D Matrix initialize w/ 300K  
 row      column

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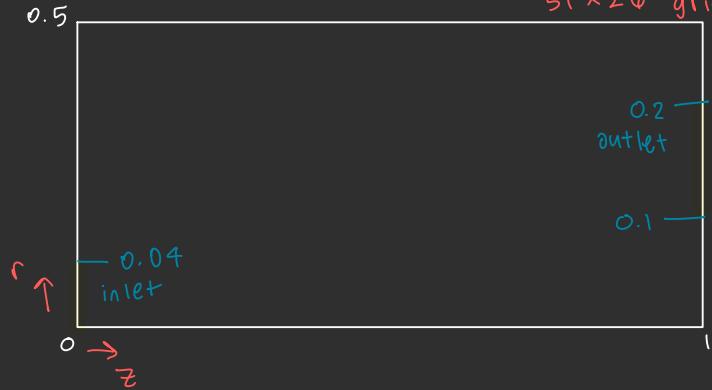
for [k=0 to k=15,000], k++ :
    // logic to determine if thruster is on
    ...
    // main loop
    for [i=0 to i=100], i++ :
        // boundary condition handling
        if i==0 :
            if thruster_on :
                dTdx = (hg/k) * (Tog - T[k][i])
                T[k+1][i] = T[k][i] + Δx · dTdx
                continue
            else :
                T[k+1][i] = T[k][i]
                continue

        if i==100 :
            T[k+1][i] = T[k][i]
            continue
        // interior node handling
        T[k+1][i] = T[k][i] + α · Δt ·  $\frac{T[k][i-1] - 2T[k][i] + T[k][i+1]}{\Delta x^2}$ 
    end
end

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# Crank-Nicholson Notes

50x25 cells  
51x26 grid points  $\Delta t = \Delta r = 0.02$



# of time steps: 5,000

$\Delta t: 0.01\text{ s}$

$D: 0.1$

boundary condition

inlet  
 $n=10$

$$\frac{\text{outlet}}{n=0}$$

Plot @ time steps:

$$k = \{0, 400, 1000, 2000, 5000\}$$

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = D \nabla^2 n$$

$$\frac{n_i^{k+1} - n_i^k}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{2} \left( D \nabla^2 n_i^{k+1} + D \nabla^2 n_i^k \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_i^{k+1} = n_i^k + \frac{D \Delta t}{2} \left( \nabla^2 n_i^{k+1} + \nabla^2 n_i^k \right)$$

In Matrix Form

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{D \Delta t}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{identity matrix}} \vec{n}^{k+1} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 + \frac{D \Delta t}{2} L \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{finite differencing matrix}} \vec{n}^k$$

logic @ inlet

•  $(0, 0.04) i=100$   
all set to 100

•  $(0, 0.02) i=50$

Each interior Node:

•  $(0, 0) i=0$

$$\frac{\Psi(x-\Delta x) - 2\Psi(x) + \Psi(x+\Delta x)}{(\Delta x)^2} + \frac{\Psi(y-\Delta y) - 2\Psi(y) + \Psi(y+\Delta y)}{(\Delta y)^2} = 0$$

Laplacian finite differencing Matrix  $L$

a

b f d

top: if  $j \neq nr-1$

$t = j+1$

$idx\_top = i*nr + t$

$a = nd[idx\_top]$

else  $a = 0$

$b = nd[idx-1]$

else  $b = 0$

bottom: if  $j \neq 0$

$l = j-1$

$idx\_bot = i*nr + l$

$c = nd[idx\_bot]$

else  $c = 0$

right: if  $i \neq nz-1$

$d = nd[idx+1]$

else  $d = 0$

center:

$f = nd[idx]$

$$L[idx] = \frac{1}{r\_val} \left[ \frac{a-c}{2dr} \right] + \left[ \frac{a-2f+c}{dr^2} \right] + \left[ \frac{b-2f+d}{dz^2} \right]$$