Problem Set 7

SEM solution to 1D unsteady-state diffusion equation

Use the spectral-element method (SEM) to solve the 1D heat diffusion equation, that is to find the temperature T(x,t) for $x \in [0,L=3\ km]$ such that (strong form)

$$\rho \, c_p \, \partial_t T - \partial_x (\kappa \, \partial_x T) = 0$$

where ρ is the medium density, c_p is the the specific heat, and κ is the thermal conductivity, with the following initial & boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} T(x,0) &= 0 \\ T(L,t) &= 0 \\ T(0,t) &= 10 \end{cases}$$

Problem:

Solve this problem for the following cases:

- evenly spaced mesh, ${\rm constant}~\rho=2.5\times 10^3~kg/m^3,~c_p=0.3\times 10^3~cal/kg/K~{\rm and}~\kappa=10.0\times 10^{-1}~cal/m/s/K$
- unevenly spaced mesh, ${\rm constant} \ \rho, \ c_p \ {\rm and} \ \kappa$
- variable conductivity

$$\kappa(x) = \begin{cases} \kappa_1 = 10.0 \times 10^{-1} \ cal/m/s/K & x \in [0, L/2] \\ \kappa_2 = 2.0 \times 10^{-1} \ cal/m/s/K & x \in [L/2, 0] \end{cases}$$

and compare your results. Plot several time steps, e.g.,

$$t = 0.0 / 25.4 / 50.7 / 76.1 kyr$$

and compare to the steady-state analytical solution.

Time scheme:

You will be using the predictor-corrector algorithm to march in time:

Algorithm Predictor-Corrector time scheme

for $n \leftarrow 0$ to N do

1. Predictor step:

$$T_{n+1} = T_n + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \, \dot{T}_n$$

 $\dot{T}_{n+1} = 0$ (initialization at the beginning of each time step)

2. Solver step:

$$rhs = -KT_{n+1}$$

$$\delta \dot{T}_{n+1} = M^{-1}rhs$$

3. Corrector step:

$$T_{n+1} = T_{n+1} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta t \, \delta \dot{T}_{n+1}$$

$$\dot{T}_{n+1} = \dot{T}_{n+1} + \delta \dot{T}_{n+1}$$

end for

Material:

In this homework directory, you will find the necessary fortran code in directory codes/ with following files:

Makefile: used for the compilation. By default it uses gfortran.

directory obj/, bin/: where you will find the ouputs of the compilation.

constants.h: a numbers of static constants, like the number of spectral elements (NSPEC=11), number of GLL points (NGLL=7), number of global points (NGLOB = (NGLL-1)*NSPEC +1), and two variables used to evaluate the GLL points & the weights.

gll_library.f90: library to compute the GLL points and the weights.

lagrange_poly.f90: library to compute the Lagrange interpolants based upon the GLL points as well as the first derivatives of these polynomials at any point $\xi \in [-1,1]$.

diffusion.f90: the main program.

After compilation you will find the executable xdiffusion in the directory bin/.

You will see that the full structure of the code is given in the file diffusion.f90. You are asked to input your code in lieu of ">TODO: put your code here".