

**Subject:**

**Spectral Method for 1D Burgers equation**

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The Burgers' equation is a nonlinear partial differential equation that models various physical phenomena.

The Burgers' equation is written as:

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

where

- $u(x, t)$  is the unknown function representing the velocity field of the fluid as a function of spatial position  $x$  and time  $t$ .
- $\nu$  is the coefficient of kinematic viscosity.

It is named after Johannes Martinus Burgers, who discussed it in 1948.

Spectral methods are a class of numerical methods that exploit the properties of spectral functions, such as Fourier transforms, to solve partial differential equations. They offer high accuracy and rapid convergence, especially for problems with smooth solutions.

### - - **Advantages:**

Spectral methods are often favored for their combination of accuracy, fast convergence, and ability to handle a wide variety of problems, especially in the context of differential equations and boundary value problems.

### - - **Disadvantages:**

While spectral methods offer many advantages in terms of accuracy and fast convergence, they are not always the best option for all types of problems, and their implementation can pose challenges in certain situations.

The Fourier transform is a fundamental mathematical tool used to decompose a function into a combination of sinusoidal functions. It allows transitioning from the spatial domain to the frequency domain, thereby facilitating the solving of differential equations and signal analysis. The Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined as:

$$\mathcal{F}[f(x)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-ikx} dx$$

To solve the 1D Burgers' equation using spectral methods, we use the Fourier transform to discretize the equation in terms of its spectral modes. By expressing the solution  $u(x, t)$  as a weighted sum of basis functions  $\phi_n(x)$ , we obtain:

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{u}_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

We insert this expression into the 1D Burgers' equation to obtain an equation for each coefficient  $\hat{u}_n(t)$ .

Then these equations are solved numerically, for example, using Runge-Kutta methods, to compute the values of  $\hat{u}_n(t)$  at different time instances  $t$ .

Using the Fourier transform to discretize spatial derivatives, we obtain the following expressions:

- First spatial derivative:  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$  is discretized as  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \approx \text{ifft}(ik\hat{u})$ , where  $k = \frac{2\pi}{L}$  is the wave vector and  $\hat{u}$  is the Fourier transform of  $u$ .

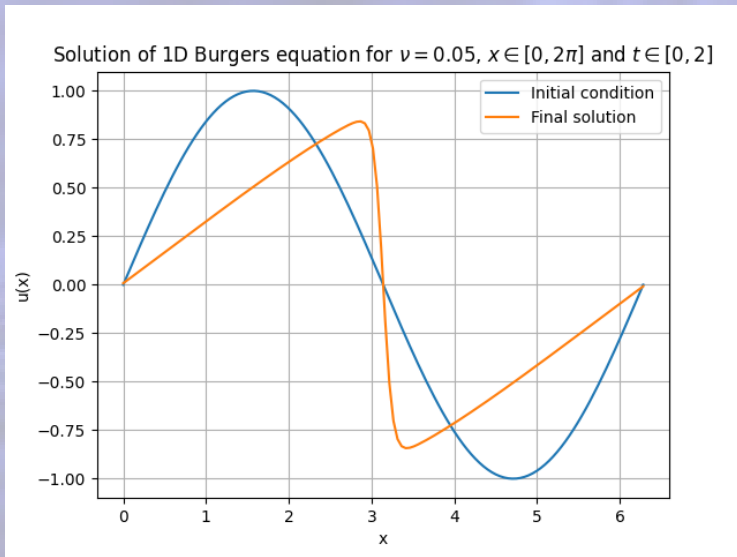
- Second spatial derivative:  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$  is discretized as  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \approx \text{ifft}(-k^2\hat{u})$ .

Using these discretizations in the 1D Burgers' equation, we obtain the following expression for the temporal derivative of  $u$ :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -u \text{ifft}(ik\hat{u}) + \nu \text{ifft}(-k^2\hat{u})$$

The function 'ifft' calculates the inverse of the discrete Fourier transform, allowing us to return to the spatial domain.

# Graphical Illustration





La stabilité de la méthode spectrale pour résoudre l'équation de Burgers 1D, nous allons utiliser l'approche de la condition CFL (Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy) qui est donnée par :

$$\text{CFL} = \frac{\nu \Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

où :

- $\nu$  est la viscosité,
- $\Delta t$  est le pas de temps,
- $\Delta x$  est le pas de grille.

Spectral methods for the 1D Burgers' equation find applications in various fields, including modeling:

- Fluid flows,
- Wave propagation,
- Dynamics of granular media.

Their precision and efficiency make them a valuable tool for scientific research and engineering.

In conclusion, spectral methods offer a powerful approach to solving the 1D Burgers' equation, allowing for precise and efficient solutions. Their use opens the door to new possibilities for modeling and analysis in various fields of physics and engineering.

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