ANALYSIS TOOLS FOR THE FINITE ELEMENT METHOD

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REACTION-DIFFUSION MODELS

Auto-catalytic Reaction Model

$$X \xrightarrow[k_2]{k_1} F$$
 $2F + S \xrightarrow{k_3} 3F$ $Y \xrightarrow{k_4} S$

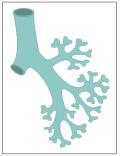


$$\Delta_{\Gamma} u = \nabla_{\Gamma} \cdot \nabla_{\Gamma} u \quad \text{with} \quad \nabla_{\Gamma} u = \nabla u - (\nabla u \cdot \vec{n}) \vec{n}$$

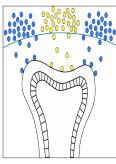
Schnakenberg Equations on Surface

$$\dot{F} = \Delta_{\Gamma}F + \gamma \left(\alpha - F + F^{2}S\right)$$
$$\dot{S} = \delta\Delta_{\Gamma}S + \gamma \left(\beta - F^{2}S\right)$$

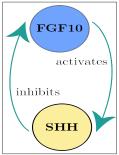
LUNG DEVELOPMENT



Branching at the pseudoglandular stage



Gene proteins diffuse from lung surface



Feedback loop between FGF10 and SHH genes

SPHERE STUDY VALIDATION

The problem is considered *well posed*: existence, uniqueness, and continuity in initial data effects. The system is guaranteed to be well posed, since it is parabolic, has at least 2 boundary conditions and the spatial derivative is of the second degree [1].

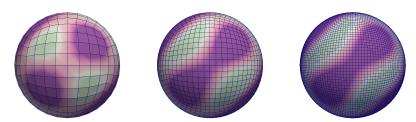


Figure: Sphere meshes with density refinements h_2 , h_3 , and h_4

THE FINITE ELEMENT METHOD

Multiply by test function φ , integrate, and apply Green's Theorem:

$$\int_{\Gamma} \varphi \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \int_{\Gamma} \nabla_{\Gamma} \varphi \cdot \nabla_{\Gamma} u = \gamma \int_{\Gamma} \varphi f(u, v)$$

Discretize the domain and the solution:

$$\sum_{j} \int_{K} \varphi_{i} \cdot \vartheta_{j} \left[\frac{\partial U_{j}}{\partial t} \right] + \sum_{j} \int_{K} \nabla_{K} \varphi_{i} \cdot \nabla_{K} \vartheta_{j} \left[U_{j} \right] = \gamma \sum_{j} \int_{K} \varphi_{i} f_{K}(U_{j}, V_{j})$$

Simplify and substitute:

$$\mathbf{M} = (\varphi_i, \varphi_j)$$
 $\mathbf{L} = (\nabla \varphi_i, \nabla \varphi_j)$ $\mathbf{A} = (\varphi_i, \mathbf{a})$ $\mathbf{B} = (\varphi_i, \mathbf{b})$

$$\mathbf{M} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}[U_j] + \mathbf{L} \cdot U_j = \gamma (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{M} \cdot U_j + \mathbf{M} \cdot U_j^2 V_j)$$

IMPLICIT-EXPLICIT TIME DISCRETIZATION

$$\mathbf{M}\dot{\mathbf{U}} + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U} = \gamma \left[\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{M}\mathbf{U}^{2}\mathbf{V} \right]$$

IMEX scheme, first order backward Euler:

$$\frac{\mathbf{M}(U_{n+1}-U_n)}{k} + \mathbf{L}U_{n+1} = \gamma \left(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{M}U_{n+1} + \mathbf{M}U_n^2 V_n \right)$$

Solve the linear system Ax=b:

$$\label{eq:continuous_loss} \left[\, (\mathbf{1} + \gamma k) \mathbf{M} + k \mathbf{L} \, \right] \, U_{n+1} = \gamma k \left(\, \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{M} U_n^2 V_n \right)$$

Use the updated *u* to solve *v*:

$$\left[\, \mathbf{M} + k \delta \mathbf{A} \, \right] \mathbf{V}_{n+1} = \gamma k \left(\, \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U}_{n+1}^2 \mathbf{V}_n \right)$$

CONSISTENCY

INTRODUCTION

The FDM normally shows consistency by solving:

$$P\phi - P_{k,h}\phi \rightarrow o$$
 as $k, h \rightarrow o$

For the linearized system used in the FEM, we show consistency using the truncation error:

$$\left|\left|\gamma k\left(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{M} U_n^2 V_n\right) - \left[(1 + \gamma k)\mathbf{M} + k\mathbf{L}\right] U_{n+1}\right|\right| \lesssim h^{p_1} + k^{p_2}$$

Which gives an order of accuracy (p_1, q_1) . Because we use the Conjugate Gradient Method, we can constrain the truncation error to an arbitrary amount. For this model, we used 10^{-20} .

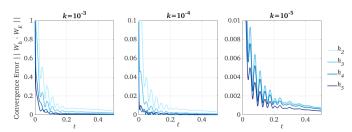
CONVERGENCE

INTRODUCTION

Because of computing limitations, we use the criteria:

$$\Big| ||U_h|| - ||U_E|| \Big| \le \Big| ||U_h - U_E|| \Big| \lesssim |h^{q_1} + k^{q_2}| = h^{q_1} + k^{q_2}|$$

with convergence rate (q_1, q_2) . Errors were compared with a domain of the same density but with $k = 10^{-6}$.



All permutations converge, with the highest rate at (5, 5).

Theorem (Lax-Richtmyer [2])

Let U_h be the solution of a numerical method consistent with a well-posed time-dependent problem; in particular, assume that it is accurate of order p > o. Then, if and only if the numerical method is stable, its solution converges with pth-order convergence rate,

$$\left|\left|U_h - U_E\right|\right| \lessapprox \sum_{m=0}^n k \cdot \left|\left|\left\{truncation\ error\right\}\right|\right| \lessapprox h^{p_1} + k^{p_2}, \ t^n \in [0,T].$$

PATTERNS ON A SPHERE

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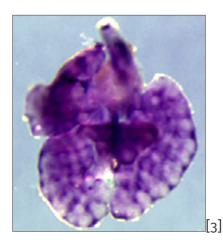
This analysis continues with studying how changing the parameters α , β , δ , and γ influence the surface patterns.

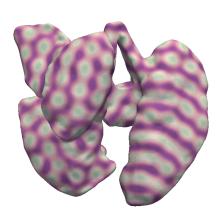


Figure: Some examples of modeling various parameters

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