

Initial Boundary Value Problems

$$u_t = K u_{xx} + f(x, t)$$

Temp. \nearrow Heat conductance \nearrow Heat source/sink \nearrow

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$
$$u(x, 0) = \eta(x)$$
$$u(0, t) = \alpha(t)$$
$$u(1, t) = \beta(t)$$

Consider: $K=1$
 $\alpha(t) = \beta(t) = 0$ $f(x, t) = 0$

Exact Solution: $\eta(x)$
Initial cond.: $u(x, 0) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \hat{u}_p(0) \sin(p\pi x)$

Ansatz: $u(x, t) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \hat{u}_p(t) \sin(p\pi x)$

$$\sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \hat{u}'_p(t) \sin(p\pi x) = -\pi^2 \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} p^2 \hat{u}_p(t) \sin(p\pi x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{u}'_p(t) = -\pi^2 p^2 \hat{u}_p(t)$$
$$\hat{u}_p(t) = e^{-p^2 \pi^2 t} \hat{u}_p(0)$$

$$U(x,t) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} e^{-p^2 \pi^2 t} \hat{U}_p(0) \sin(p\pi x)$$

Discretization

Method of lines:

- ① Discretize in space
 \Rightarrow system of ODEs (IVP)
- ② Apply a RK or LMM to integrate in time.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_j = jh \quad j=0, 1, \dots, m+1$$

$$h = \frac{1}{m+1}$$

$$U_j(t) \approx u(x_j, t)$$

$$U_{xx}|_{x=x_j} \approx \frac{U_{j+1}(t) - 2U_j(t) + U_{j-1}(t)}{h^2}$$

ODE system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_1'(t) \\ U_2'(t) \\ \vdots \\ U_m'(t) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{K}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2 & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & 1 & -2 \\ & & & & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1 \\ \vdots \\ U_m \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1, t) \\ f(x_2, t) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_m, t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$U \qquad A \qquad F$

$$U'(t) = AU + F(t)$$

$$\text{Take } F=0: \quad U(t) = e^{tA} U(0)$$

$$A = R \Lambda R^{-1}$$

$$\lambda_p = \frac{2}{h^2} (\cos(p\pi h) - 1)$$

$$r_{jp} = \sin(p\pi jh)$$

$$\text{Largest eigenvalue: } \lambda_{\max} \approx \frac{-4}{h^2}$$

$$U' = AU$$

$$U' = R \Lambda R^{-1} U$$

$$R^{-1} U' = \Lambda R^{-1} U \quad \hat{U} = R^{-1} U$$

$$\hat{U}' = \Lambda \hat{U}$$

$$\hat{U}(t) = e^{t\Lambda} \hat{U}(0)$$

Comparing with the exact solution, we should have

$$\lambda_p \approx -p^2 \pi^2$$

$$\cos x \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^4) \quad |x| \sim 0$$

$$\lambda_p \approx \frac{2}{h^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} p^2 \pi^2 h^2 + \mathcal{O}(p^4 h^4) - 1 \right)$$

$$\lambda_p \approx -p^2 \pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(h^2 p^4)$$

We need

$$K \lambda_{\max} \in S$$

i.e. for any explicit method we have

$$|K \lambda_{\max}| \leq C$$

$$\frac{4K}{h^2} \leq C$$

$$K \leq \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Explicit Euler



$$-2 \leq \frac{-4K}{h^2} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow K \leq \frac{h^2}{2}$$

We should use an A-stable or A(α)-stable method.

One nice method is TR-BDF2

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|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1/2 | 1/4 | 1/4 | 0 |
| 1 | 1/3 | 1/3 | 1/3 |
| | 1/3 | 1/3 | 1/3 |

This is:

A-stable

L-stable

2nd-order accurate

$$u_t = K(x,t) u_{xx}$$

$$u_t = f(u)$$

For all $\lambda \in \sigma(f'(u)) \forall u \in D$

$$K\lambda \in S$$

Local truncation error

Explicit Euler + 3-pt. CD

$$U_j^{n+1} = U_j^n + \frac{K}{h^2} (U_{j+1}^n - 2U_j^n + U_{j-1}^n)$$

To find LTE:

$$u(x_j, t_n + K) = u(x_j, t_n) + \frac{K}{h^2} (u(x_{j+1}, t_n) - 2u(x_j, t_n) + u(x_{j-1}, t_n)) + \tau_j^n$$

$$\tau_j^n = \frac{K}{2} u_{tt} - \frac{h^2}{12} u_{xxxx} + \mathcal{O}(K^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^4)$$

In general if we use a method of order p in time and q in space, then

$$\tau_j^n = \mathcal{O}(h^q) + \mathcal{O}(K^p)$$