

lecture_01

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1 Lecture 1. Course Introduction

(First, the boring but important administrative stuff!)

1.0.1 Teachers

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1.0.2 Important dates

- **January 2, 2017:** Last day for registration to the exam
- **January 12, 2017:** Examination
- **January 15, 2017** Deadline for submission of last lab report
- **January 29, 2016** Deadline for resubmission of last lab report
- **February 15, 2017:** Last day for registration to the re-exam
- **February 25, 2017:** Reexamination
- Registration to exam always at least **10** days prior to exam day

1.0.3 Overall organization

- 18 Lectures in total
- Two last lectures in week 2: Revision of important concepts, Q&A answers
- 5 Labs consisting of theoretical and practical problems
 - Practical problems can be solved in either Matlab, [Octave](#) or [Python](#)
- 3 half-day lab reservations a week, 2 of them will be supervised by Juan Carlos.
- Live demos and example code in the lectures will use python packages from [SciPy ecosystem](#) and presented using Jupyter/IPython notebooks.
- A crash course guiding you into the scientific Python world will be given in one of the supervised labs.

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1.1 Reading material

- Lectures, lecture notes, and notebooks for the part “Introduction to Finite Difference Methods”
- Book “The Finite Element Method. Theory, Implementation and Applications” by Mats G. Larson and Frederik Bengzon
- Additionally (not required): “Partial Differential Equations with Numerical Methods” by Stig Larsson and Vidar Thomée
- Collection of course material on “[Numerical Methods for Partial Differential Equations](#)” by Hans-Petter Langtangen

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What are Partial Differential Equations?

Definition: A partial differential equation is an equation involving certain partial derivatives of an unknown function $u : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $d \geq 2$.

Recall that **first order** partial derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} D_i u(x) &= \partial_i u(x) = \partial_{x_i} u(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} u(x) = u_{x_i}(x_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_0 + h e_i) - u(x_0)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_i + h, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_d) - u(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_d)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

Second and higher order partial derivatives

$$\partial_i \partial_j u = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} u = D_i D_j u$$

$$D^\alpha u = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|}}{\partial_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial_d^{\alpha_d}} u$$

for a multiindex $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d)$ and $|\alpha| := \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_d$

1.2 Standard PDE operators

- **Gradient** of scalar function $u : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{grad } u = \nabla u = (\partial_1 u, \dots, \partial_d u)$$

- **Divergence** of a vector field $\mathbf{u} : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\text{div } \mathbf{u} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^d \partial_i u_i$$

- **Curl** of a vector field \mathbf{u}

$$\text{curl } \mathbf{u} = \nabla \times \mathbf{u} = (\partial_y u_z - \partial_z u_y, \partial_z u_x - \partial_x u_z, \partial_x u_y - \partial_y u_x)$$

- Laplace of u

$$\Delta u = \nabla \cdot (\nabla u) = \sum_{i=1}^d \partial_i^2 u$$

1.3 Examples for PDEs: Linear equations

Transport equation Simplest “real” PDE for a function $u(x, t)$ of two variables $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $t > 0$

$$\partial_t u + b \partial_x u = f$$

or more generally for $u(x, t)$ with $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\partial_t u + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u = f$$

Laplace’s and Poisson’s equation

$$-\Delta u = f$$

which often models equilibrium states in physics, e.g. electrostatics, stationary heat distribution

Heat equation

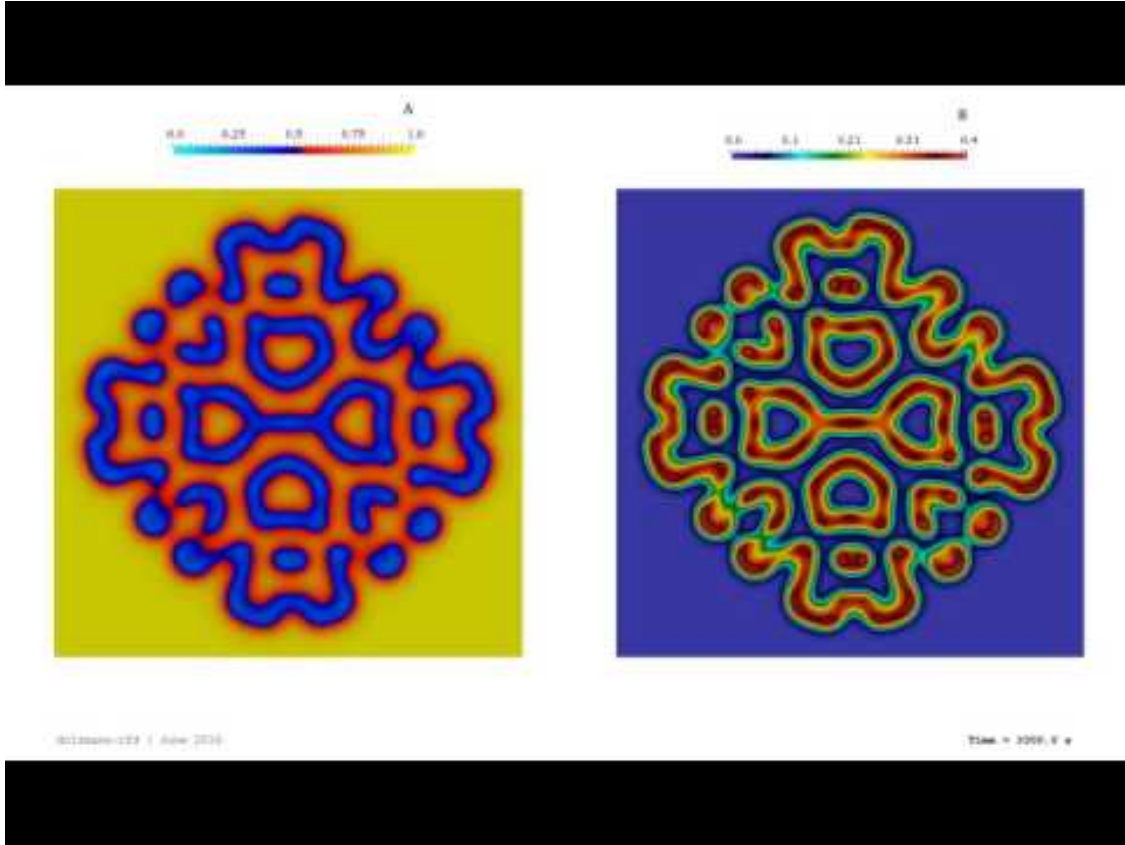
$$\partial_t u - \Delta u = f$$

Wave equation

$$\partial_t^2 u - \Delta u = f$$

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1.4 Nonlinear equations

Korteweg-de Fries equation The propagation of waves in shallow waters is modeled by a 3rd order, non-linear (actually, quasi-linear) PDE of the form

$$u_t - 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0$$

Minimal surface equation A minimal surface $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is a surface which locally minimizes its surface area. Expressing the surface locally as the graph of a function $u(x, y)$, Γ being a minimal surface is equivalent to satisfying the non-linear (elliptic) equation

$$\nabla \cdot \left(\frac{\nabla u}{(1 + |\nabla u|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right) = 0$$

1.5 Linear systems of PDEs

Linear Elasticity The displacement \mathbf{u} of a deformable medium at equilibrium subject to an external load \mathbf{f} can be modeled by

$$\mu \Delta \mathbf{u} + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{f}$$

The instationary case (basicially resembling Newton's second law $F = ma$) is described through

$$\mathbf{u}_{tt} - \mu \Delta \mathbf{u} - (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = f$$

Maxwell's equations In the presence of a charge density ρ and a current density \mathbf{j} , the electric field \mathbf{E} and magnetic field \mathbf{B} satisfy

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t + \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{E}_t - \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E} = -4\pi\mathbf{j} \quad (4)$$

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Reaction-Diffusion systems

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} - \Delta \mathbf{u} = f(\mathbf{u})$$

for exampl the Gray-Scott equations describing

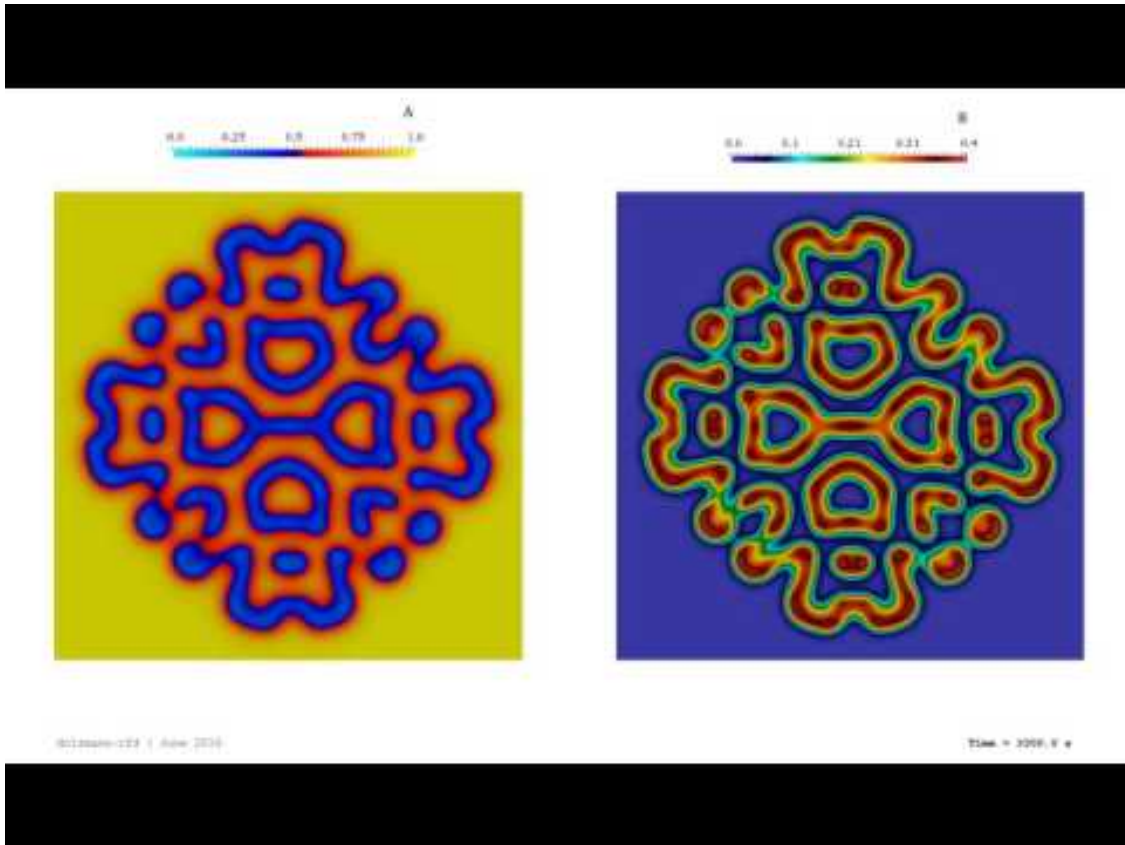
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = D_u \Delta u - uv^2 + F(1 - u) \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = D_v \Delta v + uv^2 - (F + k)v \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad (6)$$

modeling the reaction and diffusion of chemical species U and V described by their concentration u and v . D_u and D_v are the diffusion coefficients, k is the rate constant of the second reaction and F the feed rate.

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Navier-Stokes equations describing incompressible, viscous flow in terms of the fluid velocity \mathbf{u} and the fluid pressure p

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f} \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

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            return HTML(styles)

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