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1 PDE equations

Hyperbolic PDE. The definition is hard, read at wikipedia. The equations of the following form can be transformed to the wave equation:

$$Au_{xx} + Bu_{xy} + Cu_{yy} + (\text{lower order terms}) = 0 \quad \text{with } B^2 - 4AC > 0 \quad (1)$$

2 Schemes

These are numerical schemes for the problem $u_t + au_x = f$.

Leap frog

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - v_m^{n-1}}{2k} + a \frac{v_{m+1}^n - v_{m-1}^n}{2h} = 0$$

Upwind

$$FTBS \text{ if } a > 0$$

$$FTFS \text{ if } a < 0$$

Lax-Friedrichs

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - \frac{1}{2}(v_{m+1}^n + v_{m-1}^n)}{k} + a \frac{v_{m+1}^n - v_{m-1}^n}{2h} = 0$$

Lax-Wendroff

$$v_m^{n+1} = v_m^n + \frac{a\lambda}{2}(v_{m+1}^n - v_{m-1}^n) + \frac{a^2\lambda^2}{2}(v_{m+1}^n - 2v_m^n + v_{m-1}^n) + \frac{k}{2}(f_m^{n+1} + f_m^n) - \frac{ak\lambda}{4}(f_{m+1}^n - f_{m-1}^n)$$

Crank-Nicolson

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - v_m^n}{k} + a \frac{v_{m+1}^{n+1} - v_{m-1}^{n+1} + v_{m+1}^n - v_{m-1}^n}{4h} = 0$$

Box scheme

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2k} [(v_m^{n+1} + v_{m+1}^{n+1}) - (v_m^n + v_{m+1}^n)] \\ & + \frac{a}{2h} [(v_{m+1}^{n+1} - v_m^{n+1}) + (v_{m+1}^n - v_m^n)] \\ & = \frac{1}{4}(f_{m+1}^{n+1} + f_m^{n+1} + f_{m+1}^n + f_m^n) \end{aligned}$$

3 Summary

3.1 Characteristic method

3.2 Consistency

Given a partial differential equation $Pu = f$, and a finite difference scheme $P_{k,h}v = f$, we say that the finite difference scheme is consistent with the PDE if for any smooth function $\Phi(t, x)$:

$$P\Phi - P_{k,h}\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k, h \rightarrow 0 \quad (2)$$

Where P means a first order linear combination of u_t and a linear combination of u_x . For example if $P = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow P\Phi = \Phi_t + a\Phi_x$

3.3 Order of accuracy

3.1.1 A scheme $P_{k,h}v = R_{k,h}f$ that is consistent with the differential equation $Pu = f$ is accurate of order p in time and order q in space if for any smooth function $\theta(t, x)$:

$$P_{k,h}\theta - R_{k,h}P\theta = O(k^p) + O(h^q)$$

3.1.11 A scheme $P_{k,h}v = R_{k,h}f$ that is consistent with $Pu = f$ is accurate of order (p, q) if and only if for each value of s and ξ :

$$p_{k,h}(s, \xi) - r_{k,h}(s, \xi)p(s, \xi) = O(k^p) + O(h^q) \quad (3)$$

3.4 Stability

Stability for the homogeneous initial value problem

A finite difference scheme $P_{k,h}v_m^n = 0$ is stable in a stability region Λ if there is an integer J such that for any positive time T , there is a constant C_T such that:

$$h \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |v_m^n|^2 \leq C_T h \sum_{j=0}^J \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |v_m^j|^2 \quad (4)$$

for $0 \leq nk \leq T$, with $(k, h) \in \Lambda$.

3.4.1 CFL (Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy)

For an explicit scheme for the hyperbolic equation of the form $v_m^{n+1} = \alpha v_{m-1}^n + \beta v_m^n + \gamma v_{m+1}^n$ with $k/h = \lambda$ a **necessary condition for stability** is the CFL condition:

$$|a\lambda| \leq 1 \quad (5)$$

3.4.2 Fourier transform

Can't use Fourier transform for variable coefficient $a(x, t)$

We have the following transformations:

Finite domain

$$\hat{u}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} u(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad u(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega x} \hat{u}(\omega) d\omega \quad (6)$$

Finite domain The ones in the RIGHT used to test stability

$$\hat{v}(\xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-imh\xi} v_m h \quad \text{and} \quad v(\xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{h}}^{\frac{\pi}{h}} e^{imh\xi} \hat{v}_m(\xi) d\xi$$

We define the following norms where $\|\hat{v}\|_h^2 = \|v\|_h^2$:

$$\|v\|_h^2 = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |v_m|^2 h \quad \text{and} \quad \|\hat{v}\|_h^2 = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{h}}^{\frac{\pi}{h}} |\hat{v}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \quad (7)$$

3.4.3 Von Neumann Analysis

If we use Fourier transform we normally get:

$$\hat{v}^{n+1} = g(h\xi) \hat{v}^n$$

Where $g(h\xi)$ is the amplification factor of each frequency \hat{v}^n .

Theorem A one-step finite difference scheme (with constant coefficients) is stable in a stability region Λ if and only if there is a constant K (independent of θ , k , and h) such that:

$$|g(\theta, k, h)| \leq 1 + Kk$$

If $g(\theta, k, h)$ is independent of h and k , the stability condition can be replaced by:

$$|g(\theta)| \leq 1$$

Trick, where $\theta = h\xi$ For constant coefficients we can do:

$$v_m^n = g^n e^{imh\xi} = g^n e^{im\theta} \quad (8)$$

3.4.4 Stability for multistep schemes

A finite difference scheme for a scalar equation is stable if and only if all the roots, $g_v(\theta)$ of the amplification polynomial $\Phi(\theta, k, h)$ satisfy the following conditions:

- There is a constant K such that $|g_v| \leq 1 + Kk$
- If $|g_v(\theta)| = 1$ then $g_v(\theta)$ must be a simple root

$$v_m^n = g^n e^{im\theta}$$

3.5 Dissipation

Dissipation: Waves lose energy over time (lost of energy converts into heat, dissipate heat).

A scheme is dissipative of order $2r$ if there exist a positive constant c , independent of h and k , such that each amplification factor $g_v(\theta)$ satisfies:

$$|g_v(\theta)| \leq 1 - c(\sin \frac{1}{2}\theta)^{2r}$$

3.6 Dispersion

Dispersion: Different frequencies at different speeds.

Option one:

$$v_m^n = r(h\xi)e^{i\xi(x_m - \alpha(h\xi)t^n)} \quad (9)$$

Option two:

$$\hat{v}^n = g^n e^{i\theta m} \quad (10)$$

4 Math

4.1 Eigenvalues

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $A_{2 \times 2}$.

Eigenvalues is with $\det(A - \lambda I) = ab - cd$ and then solve the quadratic function. Eigenvectors, solve the two equations given by $(A - \lambda I)\vec{x} = 0$ (with the computed values of λ).

Inverse of matrix A :

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{ab - cd} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

4.2 Integration by parts

Integration by parts

$$\int f(x)g'(x)dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) \quad (12)$$

4.3 Trigonometric identities

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(-\theta) &= \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(-\theta) &= -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos 2x &= \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x \\ \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x &= 1 \\ \cos(\theta) &= 1 - 2\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ \sin \theta &= 2\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right)\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right) \\ \cos(x+y) &= \cos x \cos y - \sin x \sin y \\ \sin(x+y) &= \sin x \cos y + \cos x \sin y\end{aligned}$$

4.4 Complex numbers

Basics

$$\begin{aligned}z &= a + ib \\ \bar{z} &= a - ib \text{ Complex conjugate} \\ (z + w) &= \bar{z} + \bar{w} \\ \bar{\bar{z}} &= z\end{aligned}\tag{13}$$

For e:

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(x) &= \operatorname{Re}(e^{ix}) \\ \sin(x) &= \operatorname{Im}(e^{ix}) \\ e^{i\theta} &= \cos(\theta) + i\sin(\theta) \\ e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta} &= 2i\sin(\theta) \\ e^{i\pi} &= -1 \\ (a + bi) + (c + di) &= (a + c) + (b + d)i \\ (a - bi)(c - di) &= (ac - bd) + (bc + ad)i \\ |a + bi|^2 &= a^2 + b^2 \\ \cos(x + iy) &= \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y \\ \sin(x + iy) &= \sin x \cosh y + i \cos x \sinh y\end{aligned}\tag{14}$$

4.5 Series

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin(x) &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} \\
\cos(x) &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} \\
\tan(x) &= x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots + \text{for } |x| < \frac{\pi}{2} \\
\arctan(x) &= x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \dots \\
e^x &= 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!}
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

5 Examples

Test consistency example.

Show that the FTCS scheme is consistent with equation $u_t + au_x = 0$ where a is a constant and $u(0, x) = f(x)$ for all real numbers x .

The FTCS scheme $P_{k,h}$ is given by:

$$P_{k,h}\Phi = \frac{\Phi_m^{n+1} - \Phi_m^n}{k} + a \frac{\Phi_{m+1}^n - \Phi_{m-1}^n}{2h} \tag{16}$$

Where $k = \Delta t$ and $h = \Delta x$.

To prove consistency we need to show that:

$$P\Phi - P_{k,h}\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k, h \rightarrow 0 \tag{17}$$

To do this, we use the Taylor series expansion of the function Φ in t and x with respect of the point (t_n, x_m) .

$$\Phi_m^{n+1} = \Phi_m^n + k\Phi_t + \frac{k^2\Phi_{tt}}{2} + O(k^3) \tag{18}$$

$$\Phi_{m+1}^n = \Phi_m^n + h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} + O(h^3) \tag{19}$$

$$\Phi_{m-1}^n = \Phi_m^n - h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} - O(h^3) \tag{20}$$

Substituting equations 18, 19 and 20 into 16 we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{k,h}\Phi &= \frac{k\Phi_t + \frac{k^2\Phi_{tt}}{2} + O(k^3)}{k} \\
&\quad + a \frac{\Phi_m^n + h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} + O(h^3) - (\Phi_m^n - h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} + O(h^3))}{2h} \tag{21} \\
&= \Phi_t + \frac{k}{2}\Phi_{tt} + O(k^2) + a\Phi_x + O(h^2)
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have that:

$$P\Phi - P_{k,h}\Phi = \frac{k}{2}\Phi_{tt} + O(k^2) + O(h^2) \quad (22)$$

This will go to 0 when $k, h \rightarrow 0$, therefore the FTCS scheme is consistent for $u_t + au_x = 0$.

Show that the Leapfrog scheme is consistent with equation $u_t + au_x = 0$.

The Leapfrog scheme $P_{k,h}$ is given by:

$$P_{k,h}\Phi = \frac{\Phi_m^{n+1} - \Phi_m^{n-1}}{2k} + a \frac{\Phi_{m+1}^n - \Phi_{m-1}^n}{2h} \quad (23)$$

Where $k = \Delta t$ and $h = \Delta x$.

To prove consistency we need to show that:

$$P\Phi - P_{k,h}\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k, h \rightarrow 0 \quad (24)$$

To do this we use the Taylor series expansion again, using the previous expansion and a new one for Φ_m^{n-1}

$$\Phi_m^{n-1} = \Phi_m^n - k\Phi_t + \frac{k^2\Phi_{tt}}{2} - O(k^3) \quad (25)$$

Substituting equations 18, 19 and 20 into 16 we get:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{k,h}\Phi &= \frac{\Phi_m^n + k\Phi_t + \frac{k^2\Phi_{tt}}{2} + O(k^3) - (\Phi_m^n - k\Phi_t + \frac{k^2\Phi_{tt}}{2} + O(k^3))}{2k} \\ &\quad + a \frac{\Phi_m^n + h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} + O(h^3) - (\Phi_m^n - h\Phi_x + \frac{h^2\Phi_{xx}}{2} + O(h^3))}{2h} \quad (26) \\ &= \Phi_t + O(k^2) + a\Phi_x + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Then we have that:

$$P\Phi - P_{k,h}\Phi = O(k^2) + O(h^2) \quad (27)$$

This will go to 0 when $k, h \rightarrow 0$, therefore the LeapFrog scheme is consistent for $u_t + au_x = 0$.