

Assignment-9

Use the Crank-Nicolson method to approximate the solution to the following parabolic PDEs:

PDEs:

$$(i) \quad u_t = \frac{1}{\pi^2} u_{xx} ; \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < t < 0.1$$
$$u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0 ; \quad 0 \leq t \leq 0.1$$
$$u(x, 0) = \sin \pi x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Use $\Delta x = 0.1$, $\Delta t = 0.01$. Compare your results with the explicit scheme (done in assignment 6)

using $0 < \lambda = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} \leq 1/2$. Also plot both solutions together. For explicit scheme, ~~take~~ partition the domain $[0, 1]$ into 50 equally spaced cells, i.e., $\Delta x = 1/50$.

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$$(ii) \quad u_t = 3u_{xx}, \quad 0 < x < \pi, \quad 0 < t < 0.1 ;$$
$$u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 0.1 ;$$
$$u(x, 0) = \sin x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi.$$

Use $\Delta x = 0.52$ & $\Delta t = 0.01$. Again,

Compare your results with the explicit
Scheme with $\Delta x = \frac{\pi}{50}$.

Use $0 < \lambda = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} \leq 1/2$ to find Δt .

(iii) $u_t = u_{xx}$, $0 < x < 1$, $0 < t < 0.05$;
 $u(0, t) = u(\pi, t) = 0$, $0 \leq t \leq 0.05$;
 $u(x, 0) = \sin \pi x + \sin 2\pi x$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Use $\Delta x = 0.2 \triangleright \Delta t = 0.01$.

Again, compare the results with the explicit

Scheme with $\Delta x = 1/50 \triangleright$ Use

$0 < \lambda \leq 1/2$ to find Δt .

[A Brief Review of Crank-Nicolson
method is provided on pages 3 & 4.]

Parabolic PDEs \rightarrow the Crank-Nicolson method.

Consider; $u_t = \alpha u_{xx}$

Then explicit scheme is written as:
can be

$$(*) \quad \leftarrow \frac{u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n}{\Delta t} = \alpha \left(\frac{u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n}{(\Delta x)^2} \right)$$

$$\text{or } u_i^{n+1} = u_i^n - \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$0 < \lambda \leq 1/2.$$

Let us replace ^{the terms of} RHS of $(*)$ as follows:

$$u_{i+1}^n = \frac{u_{i+1}^n + u_{i+1}^{n+1}}{2}, \quad u_i^n = \frac{u_i^n + u_i^{n+1}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow u_{i-1}^n = \frac{u_{i-1}^n + u_{i-1}^{n+1}}{2}$$

$\therefore (*)$ becomes

$$\frac{u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha}{2(\Delta x)^2} \left[(u_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2u_i^{n+1} + u_{i-1}^{n+1}) + (u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n) \right]$$

$$\text{set } \lambda = \frac{\alpha \Delta t}{2(\Delta x)^2}$$

Then;

$$\begin{aligned} & -\lambda u_{i-1}^{n+1} + 2(1+\lambda) u_i^{n+1} - \lambda u_{i+1}^{n+1} \\ & = \lambda u_{i-1}^n + 2(1-\lambda) u_i^n + \lambda u_{i+1}^n \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$.

This method is called the Crank-Nicolson method.

In the matrix form, one can write

$$A u^{(n+1)} = B u^{(n)} ; \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where $u^{(n+1)} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1^{n+1} \\ u_2^{n+1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1}^{n+1} \end{bmatrix}$