Descrizione del primo schema de Keller-Segel

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1 Descrizione

- Schema contenuto nell'articolo di Giuseppe.
- Time semi-discretization: we fix time steps $t_m = k \cdot m$ (m = 0, 1, 2, ...) and given inital data $u^0, v^0 \in V = H^1(\Omega)$. For each find $m \ge 0$, we search u^{m+1} and v^{m+1} such that

$$(1/k)u^{m+1} - \Delta u^{m+1} + k_1 \nabla \cdot (u^m \nabla v^{m+1}) = (1/k)u^m, \tag{1}$$

$$(1/k)v^{m+1} - \Delta v^{m+1} + k_2 v^{m+1} - k_3 u^{m+1} = (1/k)v^m.$$
(2)

We assume Neumann boundary conditions for each unknown: $\nabla u^{m+1} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$, $\nabla v^{m+1} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$, $m \ge 0$.

2 Validation

Here we propose some ideas to validate the software which we are developing (using FreeFEM++).

Test 1. Reproduction of results contained in Giuseppe's paper

Idea: if we use the data contained in this paper (inital data u^0 and v^0 , time step, k_i parameters...), we must obtain the same results. For instance, blow-up in the time step which is reflected in graphics contained in that paper (write here more details!).

Test 2. Comparison with exact solution

Idea:

- To compute a exact solution, (u, v), to (a modified version of) Keller-Segel equations
- Use (a modified version of) scheme (1)–(2) and finite elements to approximate the solution, (u_h^m, v_h^m) .
- Compute errors $||u-u_h^m||_{L^2(\Omega)}$, $||v-v_h^m||_{L^2(\Omega)}$. When $k\to 0$ and $h\to 0$, errors must vanish.

Test 3. Discrete energy law

Idea: analyze the discrete energy law of scheme (1)–(2). Use FreeFEM++ to compute this energy law. Plot the results and test if they are agree with the previous analysis.