

## Homework 2

**\*\* Note: To avoid confusing myself, I'm going to relabel the equation  $\phi(t, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow f(t, \theta, \phi)$**

**a)** Numerically implement the discretization of  $f$  in terms of spherical harmonics.

In order to discretize  $f$  in terms of spherical harmonics, we want to calculate the following:

$$f(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l c^{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

where the coefficients  $c^{lm}$  are found by calculating

$$c^{lm} = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\pi} d\theta f(\theta, \phi) Y_{lm}^*(\theta, \phi) \sin \theta$$

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In [ ]: using SphericalHarmonics
using HCubature
using DifferentialEquations
using Plots
```

We can obtain a vector of all  $c^{lm}$  coefficients using the `HCubature` and `SphericalHarmonics` packages:

```
In [ ]: # Convert SHArray object to vector
Ylm_array(sharray) = [ y for y in sharray ]

# Integrate over  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  to get  $c_{lm}$  coefficients
c_vector(f, lmax) = hcubature(x -> integrand(f, lmax, x), [0, 0], [pi, 2*pi])[1]

# Calculate the integrand to be passed into hcubature()
function integrand(f, lmax, x)
    # x = ( $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ )

    # Use SphericalHarmonics package to calculate  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)^*$ 
    sharray = computeYlm(x[1], x[2], lmax=lmax)
    ylm_conj = conj(Ylm_array(sharray))

    #  $f(\theta, \phi) * conj(Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)) * sin(\theta)$ 
    return f(x[1], x[2]) * ylm_conj * sin(x[1])
end

# Use  $c_{lm}$  coefficients to calculate  $f(\theta, \phi)$ 
function expand_f(c_vector,  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ , lmax)
    #  $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$ 
    sharray = computeYlm( $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ , lmax=lmax)
    ylm = Ylm_array(sharray)

    #  $f(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{lm} (c_{lm} * Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi))$ 
    return round(sum(c_vector .* ylm), digits=4)
end
```

expand\_f (generic function with 1 method)

**b)** Use an initial condition that is peaked around the North Pole, i.e., that looks similar to a Gaussian with a width equal to 0.2. (The exact initial condition does not matter).

To apply the initial condition peaked at the North Pole, we state that at time  $t = 0$  we have a Gaussian that peaks for all values of  $\phi$  when  $\theta = 0$  (additionally, we can set  $\psi_0 = 0$ ):

$$f(t=0, \theta, \phi) \equiv f_0(\theta) = e^{-\frac{\theta^2}{2 \cdot 0.2^2}} = e^{-\frac{\theta^2}{0.08}}$$

$$\psi_0 = 0$$

To find the corresponding coefficient vectors at  $t = 0$ :

```
In [ ]: # f_0(θ) = exp(-θ^2/0.08)
c_f0_init(lmax) = c_vector((θ, φ) -> exp(-θ^2/0.08), lmax)

# ψ_0 = 0
c_ψ0_init(lmax) = c_vector((θ, φ) -> 0, lmax)

c_ψ0_init (generic function with 1 method)
```

c) Evolve the system in time to see from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 10$  using your favorite ODE integrator. The resulting evolution should look similar to water waves moving on the surface of a pond, except that the pond is the surface of a sphere.

We will now make use of the following to set up our system:

$$\partial_t f = \psi \quad \rightarrow \quad \partial_t c_f^{lm} = c_\psi^{lm}$$

$$\partial_t \psi = \Delta f \quad \rightarrow \quad \partial_t c_\psi^{lm} = \Delta c_f^{lm} = -l(l+1)c_f^{lm}$$

With this in mind, our set of ODEs for all  $c_f^{lm}, c_\psi^{lm}$  will use the following function to record each set of values over time. `Udot()` takes in the flattened array of  $(c_f^{lm}, c_\psi^{lm})$  and returns the corresponding  $(\dot{c}_f^{lm}, \dot{c}_\psi^{lm})$ .

```
In [ ]: function Udot(U, lmax)
    # U = vcat(c_f, c_ψ)

    # Separate our individual coefficient vectors
    n = round(Int, length(U)/2)
    c_f = U[1:n]
    c_ψ = U[n+1:end]

    # We already have ∂_t(c_f) = c_ψ
    c_fdot = c_ψ

    # Build a new vector containing coefficients ∂_t(c_ψ) = Δc_f = -l(l+1)c_f
    c_ψdot = Vector{ComplexF64}([])
    i = 1
    for l in 0:lmax
        for m in -l:l
            push!(c_ψdot, -l*(l+1)*c_f[i])
            i+=1
        end
    end

    # Recombine the two vectors
    return vcat(c_fdot, c_ψdot)
end
```

Udot (generic function with 1 method)

Then, using the `DifferentialEquations` package to find our solution for a given  $l_{max}$ :

```
In [ ]: function solve_ode(lmax, tmax)
    # Generate initial coefficients
    c_f0 = c_f0_init(lmax)
    c_ψ0 = c_ψ0_init(lmax)

    c_f0 = [ round(x, digits=5) for x in c_f0 ]
    c_ψ0 = [ round(x, digits=5) for x in c_ψ0 ]
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U0 = vcat(c_f0, c_ψ0)

# Pass our initial values and Udot() into the package's ODEProblem() function and solve
prob = ODEProblem((U, p, t) -> Udot(U, lmax), U0, (0.0, tmax))
sol = solve(prob)

# Round output data to make our lives easier
ts = [ round(t, digits=5) for t in sol.t ]
us = [ [ round(c, digits=5) for c in u ] for u in sol.u ]

return ts, us
end

```

solve\_ode (generic function with 1 method)

Putting everything together, let's look at an example case with  $l_{max} = 2$  from  $t = 0$  to  $t = 5$ :

```

In [ ]: lmax = 2
        tmax = 5

        ts, us = solve_ode(lmax, tmax)

# Display a fragment of sample data
for (i, t) in enumerate(ts)
    println(t, " ", us[i][1:2:end])
end

0.0   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.11645 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13886 + 0.0im, 0.0 - 0.0im, 0.0 +
0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.00198   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.11645 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13886 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.02181   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.11639 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13866 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.13589   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.11431 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13124 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.36591   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.1012 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.08672 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.
0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.67426   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.0674 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.01121 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
0.99982   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.01819 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.10687 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
1.3867    ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, -0.04431 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.13437 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
1.78586   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, -0.09505 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.04604 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
2.24186   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, -0.1164 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.09756 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
2.69563   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, -0.09123 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13182 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
3.18412   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, -0.0242 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.00757 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
3.69501   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.05717 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.12927 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
4.21802   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.11061 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, -0.08553 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im,
0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
4.74544   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.10595 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.08162 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0
.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]
5.0   ComplexF64[0.06996 + 0.0im, 0.08214 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.13186 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 +
0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im, 0.0 + 0.0im]

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**d)** Create a series of figures or a movie that shows how the solution  $f$  evolves in time. Perform the simulation three times with different choices of  $l_{max}$ , and at least one of these with a small  $l_{max}$  (e.g.,  $l_{max} = 4$ ) to study the influence of the cut-off  $l_{max}$ .

Using the output of our ODE solver, we want to generate a list of all  $(f, \theta, \phi)$  values for each time  $t$ :

```

In [ ]: function gather_data(ts, us, lmax)

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# Isolate c_lm coefficients in each U matrix
n = round(Int, length(us[1])/2)
all_c_lms = [ u_t[1:n] for u_t in us ]

# Initialize plot ranges
n_vars = 20
θs = [ round(θ, digits=5) for θ in range(0, π, n_vars) ]
φs = [ round(φ, digits=5) for φ in range(0, 2*π, 2*n_vars) ]

# Create lists of θ and φ values to plot (i.e. with repetitions included)
# ex: [θ_1, θ_1, θ_1, θ_2, θ_2, θ_2] ; [φ_1, φ_2, φ_3, φ_1, φ_2, φ_3]
θs_toplot = vcat([ repeat(θ, 2*n_vars) for θ in θs ]...)
φs_toplot = repeat(φs, n_vars)
θ_φ_pairs = collect(zip(θs_toplot, φs_toplot))

# Generate matrix of f(t, θ, φ) values with structure M[(θ, φ), time]
f_vals_t(c_lms) = [ expand_f(c_lms, θ, φ, lmax) for (θ, φ) in θ_φ_pairs ]
all_f_vals = hcat([ f_vals_t(c_lms_t) for c_lms_t in all_c_lms ]...)

return θ_φ_pairs, all_f_vals
end

```

gather\_data (generic function with 1 method)

Finally, converting to cartesian coordinates, we can plot our sphere with its radius fluctuating as  $f(t, \theta, \phi) + 1$ , where our unit sphere at  $f = 0$  is ensured with an offset of  $+1$ .

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In [ ]: function data_all_times(ts, us, lmax)
    θ_φ_pairs, all_f_vals = gather_data(ts, us, lmax)

    # Base coordinates for unit sphere
    x0 = [ round(cos(φ)*sin(θ), digits=3) for (θ, φ) in θ_φ_pairs ]
    y0 = [ round(sin(φ)*sin(θ), digits=3) for (θ, φ) in θ_φ_pairs ]
    z0 = [ round(cos(p[1]), digits=3) for p in θ_φ_pairs ]

    return all_f_vals, x0, y0, z0
end

function data_at_time(f_vals_t, x0, y0, z0)
    # r = 1 + f(t, θ, φ)
    x = real((f_vals_t .+ 1) .* x0)
    y = real((f_vals_t .+ 1) .* y0)
    z = real((f_vals_t .+ 1) .* z0)

    return x, y, z
end

```

data\_at\_time (generic function with 1 method)

Now let's create a plot for each time step and turn them into an animation!

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In [ ]: lmax = 4
        tmax = 10

        ts, us = solve_ode(lmax, tmax)
        all_f_vals, x0, y0, z0 = data_all_times(ts, us, lmax);

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In [ ]: anim = Animation()
        fps = 15

        for (i, t) in enumerate(ts)

            f_vals_t = real(all_f_vals[:,i])
            x, y, z = data_at_time(f_vals_t, x0, y0, z0)

            plot(x, y, z, title="lmax = $(lmax)\nfps = $(fps)\nt = $(t)", legend=false,
                xlim=(-1.2, 1.2), ylim=(-1.2, 1.2), zlim=(-1.2, 1.2))
            frame(anim)
        end

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gif(anim, fps=fps)
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(see external files for gifs with  $l_{max} = 4, 10,$  and  $20$ )