

Numerical Calculation of 1-d Dimensional Heat Equation

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Heat Equation

Explicit method

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \kappa \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} \quad (1)$$

Recurrence formula is ...

$$\frac{\theta_{i,j+1} - \theta_{i,j}}{\Delta t} = \kappa \frac{\theta_{i-1,j} - 2\theta_{i,j} + \theta_{i+1,j}}{(\Delta x)^2} \quad (2)$$

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Transforming equation 2, we get

$$\theta_{i,j+1} = r\theta_{i-1,j} + (1 - 2r)\theta_{i,j} + r\theta_{i+1,j} \quad (3)$$

Where $r = \kappa \frac{\Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2}$