CFD Assignment 2.2

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1 Upwind Galerkin finite elements: (a)

1.1 Problem statement

Here we consider the 1-dimensional weak form of the advection diffusion equation, with $\epsilon > 0$, on $\Omega = [0, L]$, namely: find $\phi_h \in \mathcal{S}_h$ such that

$$\forall w_h \in \mathcal{W}_h, \quad \int_{\Omega} -w_{h,1} u \phi_h + w_{h,1} \epsilon \phi_{h,1} dx = \int_{\Omega} w_h f dx \tag{1}$$

with $\phi|_{\partial\Omega} = \phi_0 \to w|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$. For this we generate a mesh on Ω using nodes $0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = L$, such that h = L/n. We define the trial and test space $(S_h \text{ and } W_h)$ using C^0 piecewise-linear finite elements on the mesh. The linear basis functions $B_i(x)$ are defined as

$$B_{i} = \begin{cases} (x - x_{i-1})/h, & x \in [x_{i-1}, x_{i}] \\ (x_{i+1} - x)/h, & x \in [x_{i}, x_{i+1}] \end{cases}$$

$$(2)$$

$$0, \text{ elsewhere}$$

In the previous assignment we saw that this boils down to solving

$$\sum_{k=i-1}^{i} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} -B_{i,1} u(\sum_{j=k}^{k+1} \phi_j B_j) + B_{i,1} \epsilon(\sum_{j=k}^{k+1} \phi_j B_{j,1}) dx = 0 \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$
 (3)

for f = 0. Here, we used the properties of the basis functions to reduce the sum indices from $j \in \{0, ..., n\}$ to $j \in \{k, k+1\}$.

1.2 Applying a one-point quadrature scheme and relating to the modified equation method

We will now apply the one-point quadrature scheme,

$$\int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} g(x)dx \approx hg(x_k + \xi),\tag{4}$$

to (3). This, with the goal of obtaining a value for ξ such that the formulation (3) is equivalent to the modified equation method defined as

$$u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - (\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon})\frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} = 0$$

$$\bar{\epsilon} := \frac{uh}{2}\left[\coth(\operatorname{Pe}_h) - \frac{1}{\operatorname{Pe}_h}\right]$$

$$\operatorname{Pe}_h := \frac{uh}{2\epsilon}.$$
(5)

Applying the quadrature scheme to (3) we get

$$h\left[-\epsilon \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} + \frac{u}{h}(\phi_{i+1}B_{i+1}(x_i + \xi) - \phi_{i-1}B_{i-1}(x_{i-1} + \xi) - \phi_i B_i(x_{i-1} + \xi) + \phi_i B_i(x_i + \xi)\right) = 0$$
(6)

for $i=1,\ldots,n-1$. Using the definition of B_i (given in (2)) and assuming $0 \le \xi \le h$ we get

$$h\left[\frac{u}{h}(\phi_{i+1}B_{i+1}(x_i+\xi)-\phi_{i-1}B_{i-1}(x_{i-1}+\xi)-\phi_iB_i(x_{i-1}+\xi)+\phi_iB_i(x_i+\xi))\right]$$

$$=h\left[\frac{u}{h}(\phi_{i+1}\frac{\xi}{h}-\phi_{i-1}(1-\frac{\xi}{h})+\phi_i(1-\frac{\xi}{h})-\phi_i\frac{\xi}{h})\right].$$
(7)

Filling in $\xi = \frac{h}{2} - \frac{\bar{\epsilon}}{u}$ gives us

$$h\left[\frac{u}{h}(\phi_{i+1}\frac{\xi}{h} - \phi_{i-1}(1 - \frac{\xi}{h}) + \phi_{i}(1 - \frac{\xi}{h}) - \phi_{i}\frac{\xi}{h})\right] = h\left[u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - \bar{\epsilon}\frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_{i} + \phi_{i-1}}{h^{2}}\right].$$
(8)

Filling this into (6) gives us

$$h[-\epsilon \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} + \frac{u}{h}(\phi_{i+1}B_{i+1}(x_i + \xi) - \phi_{i-1}B_{i-1}(x_{i-1} + \xi) - \phi_i B_i(x_{i-1} + \xi) + \phi_i B_i(x_i + \xi))$$

$$= h[-\epsilon \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} + u \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - \bar{\epsilon} \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2}] = 0 \rightarrow$$

$$u \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - (\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon}) \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} = 0$$
(9)

for i = 1, ..., n-1 which is exactly equal to the modified equation method (5), as intended.

For our obtained expression for ξ , namely

$$\xi = \frac{h}{2} - \frac{\bar{\epsilon}}{u},\tag{10}$$

we have that $\xi \sim -\bar{\epsilon}$. We now use the fact that

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{uh}{2} \left[\frac{e^{2\text{Pe}_h} + 1}{e^{2\text{Pe}_h} - 1} - \frac{1}{\text{Pe}_h} \right]$$
 (11)

and that, trough Taylor expanding, we can write

$$e^{2\operatorname{Pe}_h} = 1 + 2\operatorname{Pe}_h + \mathcal{O}(\operatorname{Pe}_h^2). \tag{12}$$

This helps us identify the limits

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_{h}\to 0^{+}} \bar{\epsilon} = \lim_{\text{Pe}_{h}\to 0^{+}} \frac{uh}{2} \left[\frac{1 + 2\text{Pe}_{h} + \mathcal{O}(\text{Pe}_{h}^{2}) + 1}{1 + 2\text{Pe}_{h} + \mathcal{O}(\text{Pe}_{h}^{2}) - 1} - \frac{1}{\text{Pe}_{h}} \right] = \lim_{\text{Pe}_{h}\to 0^{+}} \frac{uh}{2} \left[\frac{2 + 2\text{Pe}_{h} + \mathcal{O}(\text{Pe}_{h}^{2})}{2\text{Pe}_{h} + \mathcal{O}(\text{Pe}_{h}^{2})} - \frac{1}{\text{Pe}_{h}} \right] = 0$$

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_{h}\to \infty} \bar{\epsilon} = \frac{uh}{2},$$
(12)

(13)

as

$$\frac{2 + 2\operatorname{Pe}_h + \mathcal{O}(\operatorname{Pe}_h^2)}{2\operatorname{Pe}_h + \mathcal{O}(\operatorname{Pe}_h^2)} \sim \frac{1}{x}.$$
(14)

This means that the following applies to ξ :

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_h \to 0^+} \xi = \frac{h}{2}$$

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_h \to \infty} \xi = \frac{h}{2} - \frac{uh}{u^2} = 0.$$
(15)

We can see that for small Pe_h the singe-point quadrature scheme is simply applied to the middle of the element, leaving the method unchanged, as compared to the standard Galerkin method. However for large enough Pe_h the ξ term effectively moves the region to which the quadrature scheme is applied to the edge of the element. This is why the name **upwind** Galerkin finite elements is justified.

2 Upwind Galerkin finite elements: (b)

From the problem described in the previous section we will move to a simplified two-dimensional setting with $\Omega = [0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]$. The weak form is now: find $\phi_h \in \mathcal{S}_h$ such that

$$\forall w_h \in \mathcal{W}_h, \quad \int_{\Omega} -\nabla w_h \cdot \mathbf{u} \phi_h + \nabla w_h \epsilon \nabla \phi_h dx = \int_{\Omega} w_h f dx \tag{16}$$

with $\epsilon > 0$, incompressible flow field \mathbf{u} , and $\phi|_{\partial\Omega} = \phi_0 \to w|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$. The mesh on Ω now consists of $n \times n$ nodes (x_i, y_j) , where $0 \le i, j \le n$ and

$$x_i := ih_x, \ h_x := \frac{L_x}{n}$$

$$y_j := ih_y, \ h_y := \frac{L_y}{n}.$$

$$(17)$$

The C^0 finite element piecewise-bilinear basis functions B_{ij} are now defined as

$$B_{ij}(x,y) = B_i(x)B_j(y), \tag{18}$$

where B_i is defined as before (equation (2)). The approximate solution ϕ_h is now

$$\phi_h = \sum_{\mu=0}^n \sum_{\nu=0}^n \phi_{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu}(x, y). \tag{19}$$

2.1 Rewriting the weak form using the definition of the basis functions

Similarly to (3), again taking f = 0, we can write (16) as

$$\sum_{k=i-1}^{i} \sum_{l=j-1}^{j} \int_{x_{k}}^{x_{k+1}} \int_{y_{l}}^{y_{l+1}} -\nabla B_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{u} \left(\sum_{\mu=k}^{k+1} \sum_{\nu=l}^{l+1} \phi_{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} \right) + \epsilon \nabla B_{ij} \cdot \left(\sum_{\mu=k}^{k+1} \sum_{\nu=l}^{l+1} \phi_{\mu\nu} \nabla B_{\mu\nu} \right) dy dx \quad (20)$$

for $1 \le i, j \le n-1$. Here, we used the properties of the basis functions to reduce the sum indices from $\mu \in \{0, ..., n\}$ to $\mu \in \{k, k+1\}$ and $\nu \in \{0, ..., n\}$ to $\nu \in \{l, l+1\}$.

2.2 Evaluating the integrals

The integrals in (20) can be approximated using the one-point quadrature scheme

$$\int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \int_{y_l}^{y_{l+1}} g(x, y) dy dx = h_x h_y g(x_k + \xi_x, y_l + \xi_y), \tag{21}$$

where

$$\xi_x = \frac{h_x}{2} - \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_x}{u_{1,kl}}$$

$$\xi_y = \frac{h_y}{2} - \frac{\bar{\epsilon}_y}{u_{2,kl}},$$
(22)

as derived in the previous sections, with

$$Pe_{h,x} = \frac{u_{1,kl}h_x}{2\epsilon}$$

$$Pe_{h,y} = \frac{u_{2,kl}h_y}{2\epsilon},$$
(23)

$$\bar{\epsilon}_x := \frac{u_{1,kl}h_x}{2} \left[\coth(\operatorname{Pe}_{h,x}) - \frac{1}{\operatorname{Pe}_{h,x}} \right]$$

$$\bar{\epsilon}_y := \frac{u_{2,kl}h_y}{2} \left[\coth(\operatorname{Pe}_{h,y}) - \frac{1}{\operatorname{Pe}_{h,y}} \right],$$
(24)

and flow field $\mathbf{u} = (u_1(x, y), u_2(x, y))$ with $u_{i,kl} := u_i(x_k + \frac{h_x}{2}, y_l + \frac{h_y}{2})$.

Let us now evaluate the integrals in (20) one by one using the scheme in (21):

$$k = i - 1, \ l = j - 1: \ h_x h_y \left[-\left(\frac{\xi_y}{h_x h_y} u_1(x_{i-1} + \xi_x) + \frac{\xi_x}{h_x h_y} u_2(y_{j-1} + \xi_y)\right) \cdot \left(\phi_{i-1,j-1} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}\right) + \phi_{i,j-1} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}\right) + \phi_{i-1,j} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}\right) \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i,j} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} \right) \right.$$

$$\left. + \epsilon \frac{\xi_y}{h_x h_y} \left(-\phi_{i-1,j-1} \frac{1}{h_x} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}\right) + \phi_{i,j-1} \frac{1}{h_x} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}\right) - \phi_{i-1,j} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} \right) \right.$$

$$\left. + \epsilon \frac{\xi_x}{h_x h_y} \left(-\phi_{i-1,j-1} \frac{1}{h_y} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}\right) + \phi_{i-1,j} \frac{1}{h_y} \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}\right) - \phi_{i,j-1} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} + \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \right) \right]$$

$$k = i, \ l = j - 1: \ h_x h_y \left[-\left(-\frac{\xi_y}{h_x h_y} u_1(x_i + \xi_x) + \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}\right) \frac{1}{h_y} u_2(y_{j-1} + \xi_y) \right) \cdot \left(\phi_{i,j-1} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i+1,j-1} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i,j} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} \right) - \epsilon \frac{\xi_y}{h_x h_y} \left(-\phi_{i,j-1} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i+1,j-1} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) - \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} \right) + \epsilon \left(1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \right) \frac{1}{h_y} \left(-\phi_{i,j-1} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) + \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) - \phi_{i+1,j-1} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} + \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \right) \right]$$

$$(26)$$

$$k = i - 1, \ l = j: \ h_x h_y \left[-((1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) \frac{1}{h_x} u_1(x_{i-1} + \xi_x) - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x h_y} u_2(y_j + \xi_y)) \cdot \right]$$

$$(\phi_{i-1,j} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i,j} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i-1,j+1} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i,j+1} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y})$$

$$+ \epsilon (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) \frac{1}{h_x} (-\phi_{i-1,j} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) - \phi_{i-1,j+1} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i,j+1} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y})$$

$$- \epsilon \frac{\xi_x}{h_x h_y} (-\phi_{i-1,j} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) + \phi_{i-1,j+1} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) - \phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} + \phi_{i,j+1} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \right]$$

$$(27)$$

$$k = i, \ l = j: \ h_x h_y [((1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) \frac{1}{h_x} u_1(x_i + \xi_x) + (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \frac{1}{h_y} u_2(y_j + \xi_y)) \cdot$$

$$(\phi_{i,j} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i,j+1} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i+1,j+1} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y})$$

$$- \epsilon (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) \frac{1}{h_x} (-\phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) + \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{1}{h_x} (1 - \frac{\xi_y}{h_y}) - \phi_{i,j+1} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y} + \phi_{i+1,j+1} \frac{1}{h_x} \frac{\xi_y}{h_y})$$

$$- \epsilon (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) \frac{1}{h_y} (-\phi_{i,j} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) + \phi_{i,j+1} \frac{1}{h_y} (1 - \frac{\xi_x}{h_x}) - \phi_{i+1,j} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x} + \phi_{i+1,j+1} \frac{1}{h_y} \frac{\xi_x}{h_x})].$$

$$(28)$$

2.3 Limits of Pe_h

We now assume that $h_x = h_y = h$ and that $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ (with u_1 and u_2 being constant in space). We can now reuse the evaluated limits on ξ from (15) and apply this to ξ_x and ξ_y to investigate the cases of $\text{Pe}_{h,x} = \text{Pe}_{h,y} = 0$ and $\text{Pe}_{h,x} = \text{Pe}_{h,y} \to \infty$. We will first focus on the case of $\text{Pe}_{h,x} = \text{Pe}_{h,y} = 0$ which according to (15) gives $\xi_x = \xi_y = \frac{h}{2}$. For this situation we have that when we add (25)-(28) we get

$$h^{2}\left[u_{1}\frac{-\phi_{i-1,j-1}-2\phi_{i-1,j}+2\phi_{i+1,j}+\phi_{i+1,j+1}}{8h}+u_{2}\frac{-\phi_{i-1,j-1}-2\phi_{i,j-1}+2\phi_{i,j+1}+\phi_{i+1,j+1}}{8h}-\epsilon\frac{\phi_{i-1,j-1}+\phi_{i+1,j+1}-4\phi_{i,j}}{2h^{2}}\right]=0$$
(29)

for $1 \leq i, j \leq n-1$. Next, we focus on the case of $\text{Pe}_{h,x} = \text{Pe}_{h,y} \to \infty$ which according to (15) gives $\xi_x = \xi_y = 0$. Similarly to the previous case, we fill this into (25)-(28) and add to get

$$h^{2}\left[u_{1}\left(\frac{\phi_{i,j}-\phi_{i-1,j}}{h}\right)+u_{2}\left(\frac{\phi_{i,j}-\phi_{i,j-1}}{h}\right)-\epsilon\left(\frac{\phi_{i+1,j}+\phi_{i-1,j}-2\phi_{i,j}}{h^{2}}+\frac{\phi_{i,j+1}+\phi_{i,j-1}-2\phi_{i,j}}{h^{2}}\right)\right]=0\rightarrow u_{1}\left(\frac{\phi_{i,j}-\phi_{i-1,j}}{h}\right)+u_{2}\left(\frac{\phi_{i,j}-\phi_{i,j-1}}{h}\right)-\epsilon\left(\frac{\phi_{i+1,j}+\phi_{i-1,j}-2\phi_{i,j}}{h^{2}}+\frac{\phi_{i,j+1}+\phi_{i,j-1}-2\phi_{i,j}}{h^{2}}\right)=0$$

$$(30)$$

for $1 \le i, j \le n-1$. This last expression is the same as the finite difference scheme with a backward-difference approximation for the advection term (first derivative of ϕ).

3 Petrov Galerkin Finite elements

Here we will consider the streamline upwind Petrov Galerkin (SUPG) method. We will again consider $\Omega = [0, L]$, and let $0 = x_0 < x_1 < \ldots < x_n = L$ be the nodes of the *n*-element mesh on Ω . The SUPG weak form is now: Find $\phi_h \in \mathcal{S}_h$ such that

$$\forall w_h \in \mathcal{W}_h, \quad \int_{\Omega} -w_{h,1} u \phi_h + w_{h,1} \epsilon \phi_{h,1} dx + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} p_h[w_h] (u \phi_{h,1} - \epsilon \phi_{h,11} - f) dx$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} w_h f dx \tag{31}$$

with $\phi|_{\partial\Omega} = \phi_0 \to w|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$. Here, p_h is a linear operator which gives $p_h[w_h] = \tau u w_{h,1}$, with τ being the SUPG parameter. For this problem we again employ the C^0 piecewise-linear basis functions B_i .

3.1 Deriving the SUPG parameter

Using the result from **assignment 2.1**, taking into account the definition of the basis functions (equation (2)), we can readily write (31) as

$$h\left[u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - \epsilon \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2}\right] + \sum_{k=i-1}^{i} \int_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}} \tau u B_{i,1}(u\phi_{h,1} - \epsilon \phi_{h,11} - f) dx = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} B_i f dx$$
(32)

for i = 1, ..., n - 1. Noting that $\phi_{h,11} = 0$, due to using linear basis functions, we can now write

$$h\left[u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - \epsilon \frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} + \tau \frac{u^2}{h^2} (2\phi_i - \phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1})\right] = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_{i+1}} B_i f dx + \frac{\tau u}{h} \left(\int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} f dx - \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f dx\right)$$
(33)

for i = 1, ..., n - 1. Taking f = 0 this gives

$$h\left[u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - (\epsilon + \tau u^2)\frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2}\right] = 0 \to u\frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_{i-1}}{2h} - (\epsilon + \tau u^2)\frac{\phi_{i+1} - 2\phi_i + \phi_{i-1}}{h^2} = 0$$
(34)

for i = 1, ..., n - 1. This is equivalent to the modified equation method for

$$\tau u^2 = \bar{\epsilon} \to \tau = \frac{\bar{\epsilon}}{u^2}.\tag{35}$$

Taking this value of τ we have that $\tau \sim \bar{\epsilon}$, again making it so that for large Pe_h we have a larger deviation from the standard Galerkin method. This can easily be seen from the previously derived limits of $\bar{\epsilon}$ in (13), making it so that

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_h \to 0^+} \tau = 0$$

$$\lim_{\text{Pe}_h \to \infty} \tau = \frac{uh}{2u^2} = \frac{h}{2u}.$$
(36)

3.2 Numerical simulations

Next, we carry out a set of numerical simulations setting L=4 and n=20 with boundary conditions (BCs) $\phi(0)=0$ and $\phi(4)=1$, where we take τ as defined in (35) (SUPG), $\tau=0$ (Bubnov Galerking = BG), and $\tau=0$ and n=1000 ("Exact") for the linear system described by (33). The results are show in figure 1 for both f=0 and

$$f = \begin{cases} 1 - x, & 0 \le x < 1.5 \\ x - 2, & 1.5 \le x < 2 \end{cases}$$

$$(37)$$

$$(37)$$

Similarly to the modified equation method, we find the SUPG method to be nodally exact for f = 0, while BG displays increasingly erratic behavior for smaller values of ϵ , keeping u = 1. For $f \neq 0$ we find that the SUPG method is no longer nodally exact, however, especially if we look at $\epsilon = 0.01$, the solution lies much closer to the "exact" solution, as compared to the modified equation method (assignment 2.1).

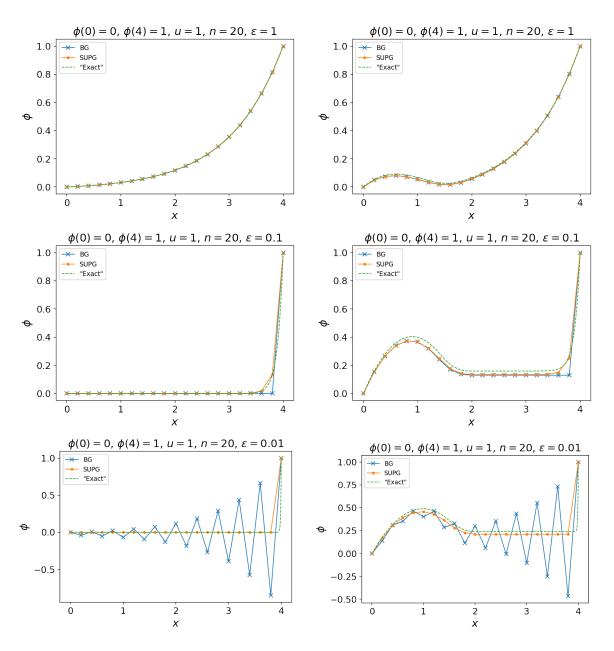


Figure 1: ((left column) Numerical solutions to the advection diffusion equation obtained using different methods, taking f = 0. (right column) Numerical solutions to the advection diffusion equation, taking f as defined in (37).

4 Discontinuous Galerkin finite elements

4.1 Problem statement

In this section we consider discontinuous Galerkin finite elements. For this we assume that all elements Ω_i that make up Ω are open sets. The local finite elements space \mathcal{V}_h on the mesh is defined as

$$\mathcal{V}_h = \{ f : f|_{\Omega_i} \in \mathcal{V}_{h,i} \},\tag{38}$$

where $V_{h,i}$ is the local finite elements space on Ω_i . No inter-elements smoothness conditions are imposed. Let us now consider some definitions

$$\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_i : \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_i < 0 \}$$

$$\Gamma_{i,\text{out}} := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_i : \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}_i \ge 0 \},$$
(39)

where Γ_i is the boundary of Ω_i and \mathbf{n}_i the outward pointing normal. We also define

$$u_n(\mathbf{x}) := |\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_i(\mathbf{x})| \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_i$$
 (40)

and

$$f(\mathbf{x}^{\pm}) = \lim_{\delta \to 0} \begin{cases} f(\mathbf{x} \pm \delta \mathbf{n}_i), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{i,\text{out}} \\ f(\mathbf{x} \mp \delta \mathbf{n}_i), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \end{cases}$$
(41)

for $\delta > 0$. Similarly we have that

$$\Gamma_{\text{in}} := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma : \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} < 0 \}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{out}} := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma : \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} \ge 0 \},$$

$$(42)$$

where Γ is the boundary of Ω and **n** the outward pointing normal. We also define

$$u_n(\mathbf{x}) := |\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x})| \text{ for } \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma$$
 (43)

and

$$f(\mathbf{x}^{\pm}) = \lim_{\delta \to 0} \begin{cases} f(\mathbf{x} \pm \delta \mathbf{n}), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{\text{out}} \\ f(\mathbf{x} \mp \delta \mathbf{n}), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{\text{in}} \end{cases}$$
(44)

for $\delta > 0$. We now have that the weak form of the discontinuous Galerkin problem, for only advection, for each element is given by: find $\phi_h|_{\Omega_i} \in \mathcal{V}_{h,i}$ such that.

$$\forall w_h \in \mathcal{V}_{h,i}, \quad \int_{\Omega_i} -\nabla w_h \cdot \mathbf{u} \phi_h dx + \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} u_n(\mathbf{x}) w_h(\mathbf{x}^-) \phi_h(\mathbf{x}^-) ds$$

$$= \int_{\Omega_i} w_h f dx + \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_n(\mathbf{x}) w_h(\mathbf{x}^+) \phi_h(\mathbf{x}^-) ds,$$
(45)

where we have BC

$$\phi_h(\mathbf{x}^-) = \phi_0(\mathbf{x}), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{\text{in}}. \tag{46}$$

4.2 Euler-Lagrange equations

Applying integration by parts to the first integral of (45) we get

$$\int_{\Omega_{i}} -\nabla w_{h} \cdot \mathbf{u} \phi_{h} dx = \int_{\Gamma_{i}} -w_{h} \phi_{h} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds + \int_{\Omega_{i}} w_{h} \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi_{h} dx
= \int_{\Omega_{i}} w_{h} \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi_{h} dx - \int_{\Gamma_{i} \text{ in}} w_{h} (\mathbf{x}^{+}) \phi_{h} (\mathbf{x}^{+}) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds - \int_{\Gamma_{i} \text{ out}} w_{h} (\mathbf{x}^{-}) \phi_{h} (\mathbf{x}^{-}) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds,$$
(47)

where we made use of the fact that we approach the boundary from the inside of the control volume such that on $\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}$ we evaluate w_h and ϕ_h at \mathbf{x}^+ and on $\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}$ at \mathbf{x}^- . Noting that

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = -u_n(\mathbf{x}), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{i,\text{in}}$$

 $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = u_n(\mathbf{x}), \ \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma_{i,\text{out}}$

$$(48)$$

and filling (47) into (45) we get the required Euler-Lagrange equations:

$$\int_{\Omega_i} w_h(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi_h - f) dx + \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} w_h(\mathbf{x}^+) (u_n(\mathbf{x}) \phi_h(\mathbf{x}^+) - u_n(\mathbf{x}) \phi_h(\mathbf{x}^-)) ds = 0.$$
 (49)

This can be viewed as the weighted residual form of the problem, where we identify the two residuals r_1 and r_2 as

$$r_1 = \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \phi_h - f$$

$$r_2 = u_n(\mathbf{x})\phi_h(\mathbf{x}^+) - u_n(\mathbf{x})\phi_h(\mathbf{x}^-).$$
(50)

 r_1 simply takes the form of the advection equation which we aim to satisfy as best as possible and r_2 is a measure of discontinuity in the approximate solution.

4.3 Deriving the global weak formulation

To obtain the global weak formulation we sum (45) over all the elements Ω_i for $1 \leq i \leq n$ which gives: find $\phi_h|_{\Omega} \in \mathcal{V}_h$ such that

$$\forall w_{h} \in \mathcal{V}_{h}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Omega_{i}} -\nabla w_{h} \cdot \mathbf{u} \phi_{h} dx + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) w_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Omega_{i}} w_{h} f dx + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) w_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds \xrightarrow{\text{BC (46)}}$$

$$\forall w_{h} \in \mathcal{V}_{h}, \quad \int_{\Omega} -\nabla w_{h} \cdot \mathbf{u} \phi_{h} dx + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) w_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} w_{h} f dx + \sum_{i \notin \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) w_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds + \int_{\Gamma_{\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) w_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) \phi_{0}(\mathbf{x}) ds,$$

$$(51)$$

where $Q = \{i | \Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \cap \Gamma_{\text{in}} \}$, from $\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} = (\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \setminus \Gamma_{\text{in}}) \cup (\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \cap \Gamma_{\text{in}})$.

4.4 Local conservation statement

Here we assume $\mathcal{V}_{h,i} \in P_1$ and f = 0. In particular we choose to study the case where w_h is constant in Ω_i and zero everywhere else, i.e.

$$w_h = \begin{cases} C, & \text{in } \Omega_i \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$
 (52)

Filling this into (45), using the fact that $\nabla w_h = \nabla C = \mathbf{0}$, we get

$$\int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds - \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds = 0 \to \\
\int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds - \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) ds = \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds - \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) C\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) ds \to \\
C[\int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{out}}} \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds + \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds] = C[\int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) ds - \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+}) ds] \\
\xrightarrow{\text{Divergence theorem}} \int_{\Omega_{i}} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x})) dx = \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) - \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+})) ds$$
(53)

which implies the conservation statement

$$\int_{\Omega_i} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\phi) dx = 0. \tag{54}$$

4.5 Global conservation statement

To arrive at a global conservation statement we sum the obtained result at (53) over all the elements Ω_i for $1 \le i \le n$ to obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\Omega_{i}} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x})) dx = \sum_{i \notin \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) - \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+})) ds + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_{0}(\mathbf{x}) - \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+})) ds
\rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x})) dx = \sum_{i \notin \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Gamma_{i,\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{-}) - \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+})) ds + \int_{\Gamma_{\text{in}}} u_{n}(\mathbf{x}) (\phi_{0}(\mathbf{x}) - \phi_{h}(\mathbf{x}^{+})) ds,$$
(55)

after applying BC (46). Here, we again made use of $Q = \{i | \Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \cap \Gamma_{\text{in}} \}$, from $\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} = (\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \setminus \Gamma_{\text{in}}) \cup (\Gamma_{i,\text{in}} \cap \Gamma_{\text{in}})$.

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