First draft Moving Mesh documentation

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1 mmBurgersExample: example of moving patches for Burgers' PDE

The code here shows one way to get started: a user's script may have the following three steps (left-right arrows denote function recursion).

- 1. configPatches1
- 2. ode15s integrator \leftrightarrow mmPatchSmooth1 \leftrightarrow user's PDE
- 3. process results

The simulation seems perfectly happy for the patches move so that they overlap in the shock! and then separate again as the shock decays.

Establish global patch data struct to point to and interface with a function coding Burgers' PDE: to be solved on 1-periodic domain, with fifteen patches, spectral interpolation couples the patches, each patch of half-size ratio 0.2, and with five microscale points forming each patch.

```
global patches
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patches = configPatches1(@mmBurgersPDE,[0 1], nan, 15, 0, 0.2, 5 ...

;'EdgyInt',true);
patches.mmtime=0.1;
patches.Xlim=[0 1];
```

Set usual sinusoidal initial condition. Add some microscale randomness that decays within time of 0.01, but also seeds slight macroscale variations.

```
42  u0 = sin(2*pi*patches.x)+0.05*randn(size(patches.x));
43  N = size(patches.x,4)
44  D0 = zeros(N,1);
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Simulate in time using a standard stiff integrator and the interface function mmPatchsmooth1() (Section 2).

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figure tic
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Plots Choose whether to save some plots, or not.

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global OurCf2epsOurCf2eps=false;
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us=us(:,N+1:end).';

Plot the movement of the mesh, the centre of each patch, as a function of time: spatial domain horizontal, and time vertical.

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figure(1),clf
Ds=us(:,1:N);

Ks=shiftdim(mean(patches.x),2);
plot(Xs+Ds,ts), ylabel('time t'),xlabel('space x')
title('Burgers PDE: patch locations over time')
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Animate the simulation using only the microscale values interior to the patches: set x-edges to nan to leave the gaps. Figure 1 illustrates an example simulation in time generated by the patch scheme applied to Burgers' PDE.

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us(abs(us)>2)=nan:
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    patches.x([1 end],:,:,:)=nan;
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    %% section break to ease rerun of animation
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    figure(2),clf
    for i=1:nTime
      xs=squeeze(patches.x)+Ds(i,:);
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      if i==1, hpts=plot(xs(:),us(:,i),'.');
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          ylabel('field u'), xlabel('space x')
          axis([0 1 -1 1])
            set(hpts,'XData',xs(:),'YData',us(:,i));
      else
      end
      legend(['time = ' num2str(ts(i),2)],'Location','north')
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      if rem(i,31)==1, ifOurCf2eps([mfilename num2str(i)]), end
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      pause(0.04)
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    end
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    %surf(ts,patches.x(:),us)
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    %view(60,40), colormap(0.8*hsv)
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    %xlabel('time t'), ylabel('space x'), zlabel('u(x,t)')
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    %ifOurCf2eps(mfilename)
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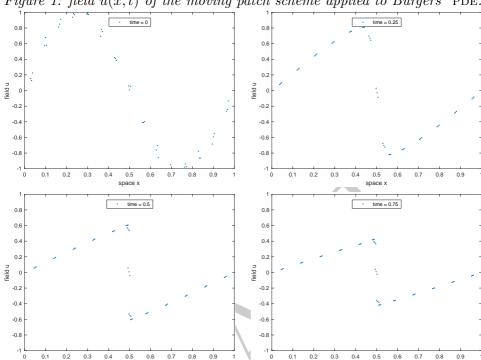


Figure 1: field u(x,t) of the moving patch scheme applied to Burgers' PDE.

2 mmPatchSmooth1(): interface 1D space of moving patches to time integrators

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To simulate in time with moving 1D spatial patches we need to interface a user's time derivative function with time integration routines such as ode23 This function mmPatchSmooth1() provides an interface. Patch edge values are determined by macroscale interpolation of the patch-centre or edge values. Microscale heterogeneous systems may be accurately simulated with this function via appropriate interpolation. Communicate patch-design variables (??) either via the global struct patches or via an optional third argument (except that this last is required for parallel computing of spmd).

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function dudt = mmPatchSmooth1(t,u,patches)
if nargin<3, global patches, end
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Input

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- u is a vector of length nPatch+nSubP·nVars·nEnsem·nPatch where there are nVars·nEnsem field values at each of the points in the nSubP×nPatch grid, and because of the moving mesh there are an additional nPatch patch displacement values at its start.
- t is the current time to be passed to the user's time derivative function.
- patches a struct set by configPatches1() with the following information used here.
 - .fun is the name of the user's function fun(t,u,V,D,patches) that computes the time derivatives on the patchy lattice, where the jth patch moves at velocity V_j and at current time is displaced D_j from the fixed reference position in .x. The array u has size $nSubP \times nVars \times nEnsem \times nPatch$. Time derivatives should be computed into the same sized array, then herein the patch edge values are overwritten by zeros.
 - .x is $nSubP \times 1 \times 1 \times nPatch$ array of the spatial locations x_i of the microscale grid points in every patch. Currently it *must* be an equi-spaced lattice on both macro- and microscales ??

Output

• dudt is a vector/array of of time derivatives, but with patch edge-values set to zero. It is of total length $nPatch + nSubP \cdot nVars \cdot nEnsem \cdot nPatch$ and the same dimensions as u.

Extract the nPatch displacement values from the start of the vectors of evolving variables. Reshape the rest as the fields u in a 4D-array, and sets the edge values from macroscale interpolation of centre-patch values. ?? describes patchEdgeInt1().

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91 N = size(patches.x,4);
92 D = reshape(u(1:N),[1 1 1 N]);
93 u = patchEdgeInt1(u(N+1:end),patches);
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Moving mesh velocity Developing from standard moving meshes for PDEs (Budd et al. 2009, Huang & Russell 2010, e.g.), we follow Maclean et al. (2021). There exists a set of macro-scale mesh points $X_j(t) := X_j^0 + D_j(t)$ (at the centre) of each patch with associated field values, say $U_j(t) := \overline{u_{ij}(t)}$.

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107  X = mean(patches.x,1)+D;
108  U = mean(u,1);
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Then for every patch j we set $H_j := X_{j+1} - X_j$ for periodic patch indices j

H = X(:,:,:,jp)-X(:,:,:,j);

H(N) = H(N)+diff(patches.Xlim);

we discretise a moving mesh PDE for node locations X_i with field values U_i via the second derivative estimate

$$U_j'' := \frac{2}{H_j + H_{j-1}} \left[\frac{U_{j+1} - U_j}{H_j} - \frac{U_j - U_{j-1}}{H_{j-1}} \right], \tag{1a}$$

and its norm over all variables and ensembles (arbitrarily?? chose the mean square norm here).

$$U2 = ((U(:,:,:,jp)-U(:,:,:,j))./H(:,:,:,j) ... \\ -(U(:,:,:,j)-U(:,:,:,jm))./H(:,:,:,jm) ...$$

)*2./(H(:,:,:,j)+H(:,:,:,jm));

U2 = squeeze(mean(mean(abs(U2).^2 ,2),3)):

H = squeeze(H);

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Having squeezed out all microscale information, the coefficient

$$\alpha := \max \left\{ 1, \left[\frac{1}{b-a} \sum_{j} H_{j-1} \frac{1}{2} \left(U_{j}''^{2/3} + U_{j-1}''^{2/3} \right) \right]^{3} \right\}$$
 (1b)

 $alpha = sum(H(jm).*(U2(j).^(1/3)+U2(jm).^(1/3)))/sum(H);$ alpha = max(1,alpha^3);

Then the importance function

$$\rho_j := \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} U_j''^2\right)^{1/3},\tag{1c}$$

rho = $(1+U2/alpha).^{(1/3)}$;

For every patch, we move all micro-grid points according to the following velocity of the notional macro-scale node of that patch:

$$V_j := \frac{dX_j}{dt} = \frac{(N-1)^2}{2\rho_j \tau} \left[(\rho_{j+1} + \rho_j) H_j - (\rho_j + \rho_{j-1}) H_{j-1} \right]. \tag{1d}$$

V = nan+D; % allocate storage 173 $V(:) = ((rho(jp)+rho(j)).*H(j) - (rho(j)+rho(jm)).*H(jm)) \dots$ 174 $./rho(j) *((N-1)^2/2/patches.mmtime);$ 175

Evaluate system differential equation Ask the user function for the advected time derivatives on the moving patches, overwrite its edge values with the dummy value of zero (since ode15s chokes on NaNs), then return to the user/integrator as a vector.

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dudt=patches.fun(t,u,V,D,patches);
dudt([1 end],:,:,:) = 0;
dudt=[V(:); dudt(:)];
Fin.
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2.1 mmBurgersPDE(): Burgers PDE inside a moving mesh of patches

For the evolving scalar field u(t,x), we code a microscale discretisation of Burgers' PDE $u_t = \epsilon u_{xx} - u u_x$, for say $\epsilon = 0.02$, when the patches of microscale lattice move with various velocities V.

```
function ut = mmBurgersPDE(t,u,V,D,patches)
epsilon = 0.02;
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Generic input/output variables

- t (scalar) current time—not used here as the PDE has no explicit time dependence (autonomous).
- $u (n \times 1 \times 1 \times N)$ field values on the patches of microscale lattice.
- $V(1 \times 1 \times 1 \times N)$ moving velocity of the jth patch.
- D $(1 \times 1 \times 1 \times N)$ displacement of the jth patch from the fixed spatial positions stored in patches.x—not used here as the PDE has no explicit space dependence (homogeneous).
- \bullet patches struct of patch configuration information.
- ut $(n \times 1 \times 1 \times N)$ output computed values of the time derivatives Du/Dt on the patches of microscale lattice.

Here there is only one field variable, and one in the ensemble, so for simpler coding of the PDE we squeeze them out (no need to reshape when via mmPatchSmooth1).

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Burgers PDE In terms of the moving derivative $Du/Dt := u_t + Vu_x$ the PDE becomes $Du/Dt = \epsilon u_{xx} + (V-u)u_x$. So code for every patch that $\dot{u}_{ij} = \frac{\epsilon}{h^2}(u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}) + (V_j - u_{ij})\frac{1}{2h}(u_{i+1,j} - u_{i-1,j})$ at all interior lattice points.

```
dx=diff(patches.x(1:2)); % microscale spacing

i=2:size(u,1)-1; % interior points in patches

ut=nan+u; % preallocate output array

ut(i,:) = epsilon*diff(u,2)/dx^2 ...

+(V-u(i,:)).*(u(i+1,:)-u(i-1,:))/(2*dx);

end
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