

# Numerical Methods for Partial Differential Equations

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## What's the point of this class?

PDEs describe lots of things in nature:

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Idea: Use them to

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# Survey

- ▶ Home dept
- ▶ Degree pursued
- ▶ Longest program ever written
  - ▶ in Python?
- ▶ Research area

## Class web page

<https://bit.ly/numpde-s22>

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## PDEs: Example I

What does this do?  $\partial_t u = \partial_x u$



## PDEs: Example II

What does this do?  $\partial_x^2 u + \partial_y^2 u = 0$

## Some good questions

- ▶ What is a time-like variable? (Variables labeled  $t$ ?)

- ▶ What if there are boundaries? (space/time)
- ▶ Existence and Uniqueness of Solutions?
  - ▶ Depends on where we look (the *function space*)
  - ▶ In the case of the two examples? (if there are no boundaries?)

Some general takeaways:

# PDEs: An Unhelpfully Broad Problem Statement

Looking for  $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  so that  $u \in V$  and

$$F(u, u_x, u_y, u_{xx}, u_{xy}, u_{yy}, \dots, x, y, \dots) = 0$$

## Notation

Used as convenient:

$$u_x = \partial_x u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

## Properties of PDEs

What is the **order** of the PDE?

When is the PDE **linear**?

When is the PDE **quasilinear**?

When is the PDE **semilinear**?



## Examples: Order, Linearity?

$$(xu^2)u_{xx} + (u_x + y)u_{yy} + u_x^3 + yu_y = f$$

$$(x + y + z)u_x + (z^2)u_y + (\sin x)u_z = f$$

# Properties of Domains



## Function Spaces: Examples

Name some function spaces with their norms.



May *also* influence existence/uniqueness of solutions!

# Solving PDEs

Closed-form solutions:

- ▶ If separation of variables applies to the domain: good luck with your ODE
- ▶ If not: Good luck!  $\rightarrow$  Numerics

## General Idea (that we will follow some of the time)

- ▶ Pick  $V_h \subseteq V$  finite-dimensional
  - ▶  $h$  is often a *mesh spacing*
- ▶ Approximate  $u$  through  $u_h \in V_h$
- ▶ Show:  $u_h \rightarrow u$  (in some sense) as  $h \rightarrow 0$

## Example

## About grand big unifying theories

Is there a grand big unifying theory of PDEs?



## Collect some stamps

$$a(x, y)u_{xx} + 2b(x, y)u_{xy} + c(x, y)u_{yy} + d(x, y)u_x + e(x, y)u_y + f(x, y)u = g(x, y)$$

Discriminant value	Kind	Example
$b^2 - ac < 0$	Elliptic	Laplace $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$
$b^2 - ac = 0$	Parabolic	Heat $u_t = u_{xx}$
$b^2 - ac > 0$	Hyperbolic	Wave $u_{tt} = u_{xx}$

Where do these names come from?

## PDE Classification in Other Cases

Scalar first order PDEs?

First order systems of PDEs?

## Classification in higher dimensions

$$Lu := \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d a_{i,j}(x) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \text{lower order terms}$$

Consider the matrix  $A(x) = (a_{ij}(x))_{i,j}$ . May assume  $A$  symmetric. Why?

What cases can arise for the eigenvalues?



## Elliptic PDE: Laplace/Poisson Equation

$$\Delta u = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^2} = \nabla \cdot \nabla u(x) \stackrel{2D}{=} u_{xx} + u_{yy} = f(x) \quad (x \in \Omega)$$

Called **Laplace equation** if  $f = 0$ . With **Dirichlet boundary condition**

$$u(x) = g(x) \quad (x \in \partial\Omega).$$

Demo: Elliptic PDE Illustrating the Maximum Principle [cleared]

## Elliptic PDEs: Singular Solution

### Demo: Elliptic PDE Radially Symmetric Singular Solution [cleared]

Given  $G(x) = C \log(|x|)$  as the **free-space Green's function**, can we construct the solution to the PDE with a more general  $f$ ?

What can we learn from this?

## Elliptic PDEs: Justifying the Singular Solution

$$u(x) = (G * f)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G(x - y)f(y)dy$$

Why?



## Parabolic PDE: Heat Equation · Separation of Variables

$$u_t = u_{xx} \quad ((x, t) \in [0, 1] \times [0, T])$$

$$u(x, 0) = g(x) \quad (x \in [0, 1])$$

$$u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0 \quad (t \in [0, T])$$

## Parabolic PDE: Solution Behavior

Demo: Parabolic PDE [cleared] What can we learn from analytic and numerical solution?



## Hyperbolic PDE: Wave Equation

$$\begin{aligned}u_{tt} &= c^2 u_{xx} && ((x, t) \in \mathbb{R} \times [0, T]) \\ u(x, 0) &= g(x) && (x \in \mathbb{R})\end{aligned}$$

with  $g(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ .

Is this problem well-posed?

Can be rewritten in **conservation law** form:

## Hyperbolic Conservation Laws

$$\mathbf{q}_t(\mathbf{x}, t) + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}(\mathbf{x}, t)) = \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x})$$

Why is this called a (system of) conservation law(s)?

$F : ? \rightarrow ?$

## Wave Equation as a Conservation Law

Rewrite the wave equation in conservation law form:



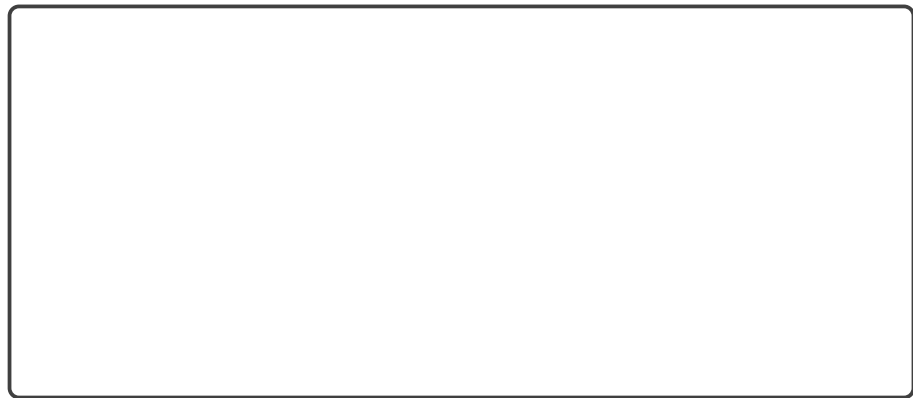


# Solving Conservation Laws

Solve

$$u_t = cv_x$$

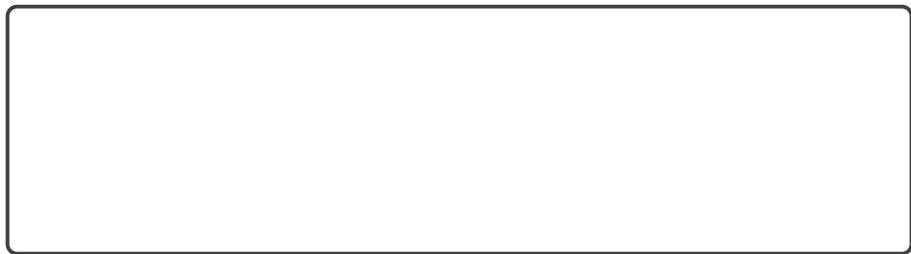
$$v_t = cu_x.$$



Demo: Hyperbolic PDE [cleared]

## Hyperbolic: Solution Properties

Properties of the solution for hyperbolic equations:



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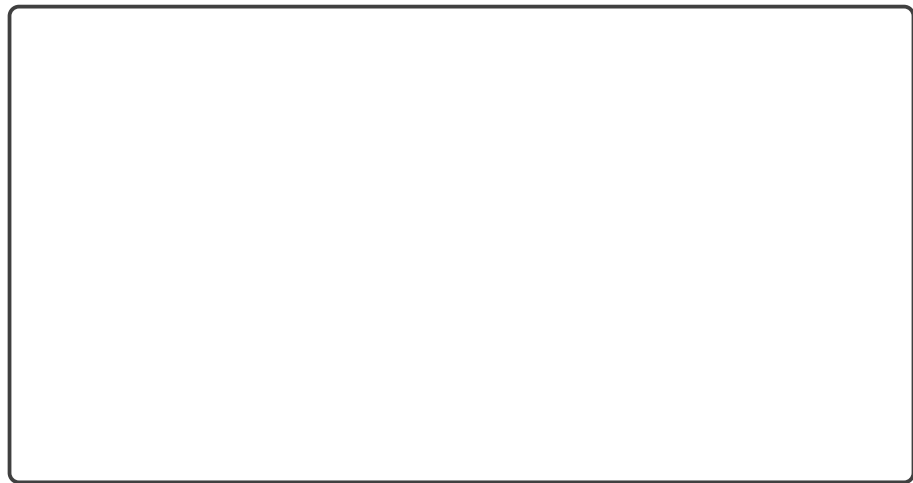
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# Interpolation and Vandermonde Matrices

## Numerical Differentiation: How?

How can we take derivatives numerically?



Demo: Taking Derivatives with Vandermonde Matrices [cleared]

# Finite Differences Numerically

Demo: Finite Differences [cleared]

Demo: Finite Differences vs Noise [cleared]

Demo: Floating point vs Finite Differences [cleared]

## Taking Derivatives Numerically

Why *shouldn't* you take derivatives numerically?



## Differencing Order of Accuracy Using Taylor

Find the order of accuracy of the finite difference formula

$$f'(x) \approx [f(x+h) - f(x-h)]/2h.$$





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## Truncation Error in Interpolation

If  $f$  is  $n$  times continuously differentiable on a closed interval  $I$  and  $p_{n-1}(x)$  is a polynomial of degree at most  $n$  that interpolates  $f$  at  $n$  distinct points  $\{x_i\}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) in that interval, then for each  $x$  in the interval there exists  $\xi$  in that interval such that

$$f(x) - p_{n-1}(x) = \frac{f^{(n)}(\xi)}{n!} (x - x_1)(x - x_2) \cdots (x - x_n).$$

## Truncation Error in Interpolation: cont'd.

$$Y_x(t) = R(t) - \frac{R(x)}{W(x)} W(t) \quad \text{where} \quad W(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n (t - x_i)$$

## Error Result: Connection to Chebyshev

What is the connection between the error result and Chebyshev interpolation?



## Error Result: Simplified Form

Boil the error result down to a simpler form.



► [Demo: Interpolation Error](#) [\[cleared\]](#)

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# 1D Advection Equation and Characteristics

$$u_t + au_x = 0, \quad u(0, x) = g(x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$$

Solution?





## Solving Advection with Characteristics

$$u_t + au_x = 0, \quad u(0, x) = g(x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$$

Find the characteristic curve for advection.

Generalize this to a solution formula.

Does the solution formula admit solutions that aren't obviously allowed by the PDE?

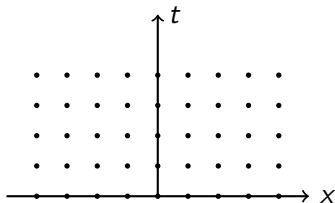
## Finite Difference for Hyperbolic: Idea

$$\{(x_k, t_\ell) : x_k = kh_x, t_\ell = \ell h_t\}$$

If  $u(x, t)$  is the exact solution, want

$$u_{k,\ell} \approx u(x_k, t_\ell).$$

Condition at each grid point?



What are explicit/implicit schemes?

## Designing Stencils

ETCS:



ITCS:



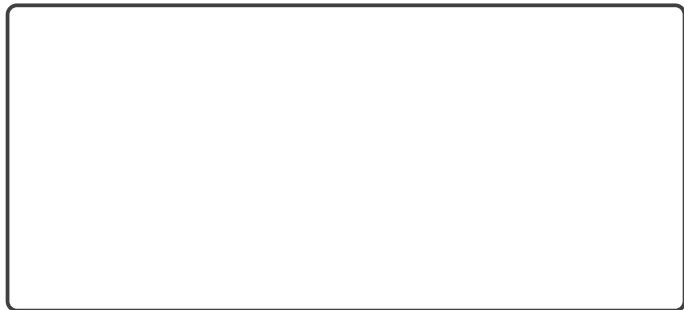
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ETBS:



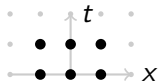
Terminology?



Write out ITCS:



# Crank-Nicolson

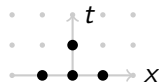


Crank-Nicolson

Write out Crank-Nicolson:

# Lax-Wendroff

What's the core idea behind Lax-Wendroff?



Write out Lax-Wendroff.

Lax-  
Wendroff

# Exploring Advection Schemes

## Demo: Methods for 1D Advection [cleared]

- ▶ Which of the schemes “work”?
- ▶ Any restrictions worth noting?

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## A Matrix View of Two-Level Stencil Schemes

Numerical solution vectors:

$$\mathbf{v}_\ell = \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,\ell} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N_x,\ell} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_{N_t} \end{bmatrix}.$$

True solution vectors:

$$\mathbf{u}_\ell = \begin{bmatrix} u(x_1, t_\ell) \\ \vdots \\ u(x_{N_x}, t_\ell) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{N_t} \end{bmatrix}.$$

### Definition (Two-Level Finite Difference Scheme)

A finite difference scheme that can be written as

is called a **two-level linear finite difference scheme**.



## Rewriting Schemes in Matrix Form (1/2)

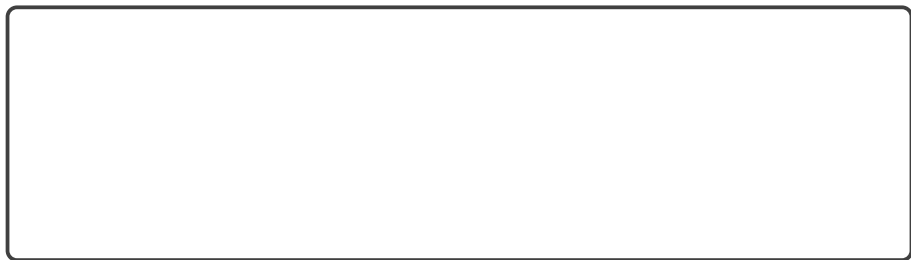
$$P_h \mathbf{v}_{\ell+1} = Q_h \mathbf{v}_\ell + h_t \mathbf{b}_\ell$$

Find  $P_h$  and  $Q_h$  for ETCS:



## Rewriting Schemes in Matrix Form (2/2)

Find  $P_h$  and  $Q_h$  for Crank-Nicolson:



# Truncation Error

## Definition (Truncation Error)

Demo: Truncation Error Analysis via sympy [cleared]

## Error and Error Propagation

Express definition of truncation error in our two-level framework:

Define  $\mathbf{e}_\ell = \mathbf{u}_\ell - \mathbf{v}_\ell$ . Understand the error as accumulation of truncation error:

## Discrete and Continuous Norms

To measure properties of numerical solutions we need **norms**. Define a discrete  $L^\infty$  norm.

Define a discrete  $L^2$  norm.

Important features:

## Consistency and Convergence

Assume  $u, (\partial_x^{q_x})u, (\partial_t^{q_t})u \in L^2(\mathbb{R} \times [0, t^*])$ .

### Definition (Consistency)

A two-level scheme is **consistent** in the  $L^2$ -norm with order  $q_t$  in time and  $q_x$  in space if

### Definition (Convergence)

A two-level scheme is **convergent** in the  $L^2$ -norm with order  $q_t$  in time and  $q_x$  in space if

## Analyzing ETFS (1/2)

$$\frac{u_{k,\ell+1} - u_{k,\ell}}{h_t} + a \frac{u_{k+1,\ell} - u_{k,\ell}}{h_x} = 0$$

Let's understand more precisely what happens for this scheme. Assume  $a > 0$ .



## Analyzing ETFS (2/2)

$$u_{k,\ell+1} = (1 + \lambda)u_{k,\ell} - \lambda u_{k+1,\ell}$$

Consider  $u(x, 0) = 1_{[-1,0]}(x)$ . Predict solution behavior.





# Stability

$$P_h \mathbf{v}_{\ell+1} = Q_h \mathbf{v}_\ell$$

Write down a matrix product to bring  $\mathbf{v}_0$  to  $\mathbf{v}_\ell$ :

## Definition (Stability)

A two-level scheme is **stable** in the  $L^2$ -norm if there exists a constant  $c > 0$  independent of  $h_t$  and  $h_x$  so that

$$\left\| (P_h^{-1} Q_h)^\ell P_h^{-1} \right\| \leq c$$

for all  $\ell$  and  $h_t$  such that  $\ell h_t \leq t^*$ .

# Lax Convergence Theorem

## Theorem (Lax Convergence)

*If a two-level FD scheme is*

- ▶ ***consistent** in the  $L^2$ -norm with order  $q_t$  in time and  $q_x$  in space, and*
- ▶ ***stable** in the  $L^2$ -norm, then*

*it is **convergent** in the  $L^2$ -norm with order  $q_t$  in time and  $q_x$  in space.*

## Lax Convergence: Proof (1/2)

## Lax Convergence: Proof (2/2)

$$\mathbf{e}_\ell = h_t \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} (P_h^{-1} Q_h)^{\ell-m} P_h^{-1} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{m-1}.$$

## Conditions for Stability

$$\left\| (P_h^{-1} Q_h)^\ell P_h^{-1} \right\| \leq c$$

Give a simpler, sufficient condition:

How can we show bounds on these matrix norms?

## Stability of ETBS (1/3)

### Theorem (Gershgorin)

For a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N} = (a_{i,j})$ ,

$$\sigma(A) \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^N \bar{B} \left( a_{j,j}, \sum_{k \neq j} |a_{j,k}| \right).$$

ETBS:

$$\frac{u_{k,\ell+1} - u_{k,\ell}}{h_t} + a \frac{u_{k,\ell} - u_{k-1,\ell}}{h_x} = 0$$

Analyze stability of ETBS:

## Stability of ETBS (2/3)

$P_h = I$  and  $Q_h = \text{tridiag}(\lambda, 1 - \lambda, 0)$ .



## Stability of ETBS (3/3)

Summarize ETBS stability:



Comments?





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# Discrete (Space) Fourier Transform

Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  infinitely long. Define:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\theta) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} x_k e^{-i\theta k}$$

When is this well-defined?



# Inverting the Fourier Transform

To recover  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$x_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\theta) e^{i\theta k} d\theta.$$

Proof?



## Getting to $L^2$

- ▶ Fourier Transform well defined for  $\mathbf{x} \in \ell^1$ .
- ▶ Problem: We care about  $L^2$ , not  $\ell^1$ .

### Theorem (Parseval)

If  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2 < \infty$ , then

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\theta)|^2 d\theta < \infty.$$

Impact?

# Toeplitz Operators

## Definition (Toeplitz Operator)

An operator  $T$  is a **Toeplitz operator** if  $(T\mathbf{x})_j = \sum_k x_k p_{j-k}$ . In this case,  $\mathbf{p}$  is called the **Toeplitz vector**.

## Example: ETCS

Let  $\lambda = ah_t/2h_x$ . Then

$$u_{k,\ell+1} = \lambda u_{k-1,\ell} + u_{k,\ell} - \lambda u_{k+1,\ell}.$$

Is ETCS Toeplitz?

## Is ETCS Toeplitz?

$$(P_h \mathbf{u}_{\ell+1})_j = u_{j,\ell+1} \stackrel{!}{=} \sum_k u_{k,\ell+1} p_{j-k}$$

$$(Q_h \mathbf{u}_\ell)_j = \lambda u_{j-1,\ell} + u_{j,\ell} - \lambda u_{j+1,\ell} \stackrel{!}{=} \sum_k u_{k,\ell} q_{j-k}$$

## Fourier Transforms of Toeplitz Operators (1/3)

$$y_j = \sum_k x_k p_{j-k}$$

## Fourier Transforms of Toeplitz Operators (2/3)

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\varphi) \sum_j \left( \sum_k e^{i\varphi(k-j)} p_{j-k} \right) e^{i(\varphi-\theta)j} d\varphi.$$



## Fourier Transforms of Toeplitz Operators (3/3)

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\varphi) \hat{\mathbf{p}}(\varphi) \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_j e^{i(\varphi-\theta)j} d\varphi.$$

## Fourier Transforms of Inverse Toeplitz Operators

Recall  $(P\mathbf{x})_j = \sum_k p_{j-k}x_k$ .

What is the Fourier transform  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}(\theta)$  of  $P_h^{-1}\mathbf{x}$ ?

Fourier transform  $P_h^{-1}Q_h\mathbf{y}$ ?

## Bounding the Operator Norm

Bound  $\|P_h^{-1}Q_h\|_2^2$  using Fourier:



Is the upper bound attained?



## von Neumann Stability

Two-level finite difference scheme

$$P_h \mathbf{v}_{\ell+1} = Q_h \mathbf{v}_{\ell} + h_t \mathbf{b}_{\ell},$$

where  $P_h$  and  $Q_h$  are Toeplitz operators with vectors  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{q}$ .

### Definition (Symbol of a Two-Level Finite Difference Scheme)

Let

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}}(\theta) = \sum_k p_k e^{-i\varphi k}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{q}}(\theta) = \sum_k q_k e^{-i\varphi k}.$$

Then the **symbol** of the two-level FD method is  $s(\varphi) = \hat{\mathbf{q}}(\varphi)/\hat{\mathbf{p}}(\theta)$ .

### Definition (Von Neumann Stability)

If

$$\max_{\varphi} |s(\varphi)| \leq 1, \quad \max_{\varphi} \left| \frac{1}{\hat{\mathbf{p}}(\varphi)} \right| \leq c$$

for some constant  $c > 0$ , we say the scheme is **von Neumann stable**.

## Comparison with Lax-Richtmyer Stability

Need  $\|(P_h^{-1}Q_h)^\ell P_h^{-1}\| \leq c$ .

Why is bounding the symbol the most salient part?

Main restriction of von Neumann stability?

## von Neumann Stability: ETBS (1/2)

ETBS: Let  $\lambda = ah_t/h_x$ .  $u_{k,\ell+1} = \lambda u_{k-1,\ell} + (1 - \lambda)u_{k,\ell}$ .

## von Neumann Stability: ETBS (2/2)

Found:  $|s(\varphi)|^2 = 1 + 2(\lambda - \lambda^2)(\cos \varphi - 1)$ .



## von Neumann Stability: ETCS

Let  $\lambda = ah_t/h_x$ . Then

$$u_{k,\ell+1} = \frac{\lambda}{2}u_{k-1,\ell} + u_{k,\ell} - \frac{\lambda}{2}u_{k+1,\ell}.$$



## von Neumann Stability: Crank-Nicolson

Let  $\lambda = ah_t/(4h_x)$

$$-\lambda u_{k-1,\ell+1} + u_{k,\ell+1} + \lambda u_{k+1,\ell+1} = \lambda u_{k-1,\ell} + u_{k,\ell} - \lambda u_{k+1,\ell}.$$



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# Studying Solutions of the PDE

**Saw numerically:** interesting dispersion/dissipation behavior.

**Want:** theoretical understanding.

Consider *linear, continuous* (not yet discrete) differential operators

$$L_1 u = u_t + a u_x,$$

$$L_2 u = u_t - D u_{xx} + a u_x \quad (D > 0)$$

$$L_3 u = u_t + a u_x - \mu u_{xxx}.$$

What could we use as a prototype solution?

## A Prototype Solution of the PDE

Observation: all these operators are diagonalized by complex exponentials.  
Come up with a 'prototype complex exponential solution'.

What type of function is this?

## Wave-like Solutions of the PDE

$$z(x, t) = z_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

$L_2 u = u_t - Du_{xx} + au_x$  ( $D > 0$ ). Plug in  $z$ .

Observations in connection with  $L$ ?

What is the **dispersion relation**?

## Picking Apart the Dispersion Relation

Consider  $\omega(k) = \alpha(k) + i\beta(k)$ . Rewrite the wave solution with this.

How can we recognize dissipation?

What is the **phase speed**? How can we recognize **dispersion**?

## Dispersion Relation: Examples

In each case, find the dispersion relation and identify properties.

$$L_1 u = u_t + a u_x$$

$$L_2 u = u_t - D u_{xx} + a u_x \quad (D > 0)$$

$$L_3 u = u_t + a u_x - \mu u_{xxx}$$

# Numerical Dissipation/Dispersion Analysis

**Goal:** Want discrete finite difference scheme to match dissipation/dispersion behavior of continuous PDE.

Define a discrete wave-like function:

We want  $\mathbf{z}$  to solve  $P_h \mathbf{z}_{\ell+1} = Q_h \mathbf{z}_\ell$ . How can we connect the operators to the wave solution?



## Toeplitz and Waves

$$z_{j,\ell} = z_0 e^{i(kjh_x - \omega\ell h_t)}.$$

### Theorem (Waves Diagonalize Toeplitz Operators)

*Let  $T$  be a Toeplitz operator. Then  $T\mathbf{z}_\ell = \lambda(k)\mathbf{z}_\ell = \hat{\mathbf{t}}(kh_x)\mathbf{z}_\ell$ .*

## Waves and Two-Level Schemes

Since  $P_h$  and  $Q_h$  are Toeplitz, we must have

$$P_h \mathbf{z}_{\ell+1} = \lambda_P(k) \mathbf{z}_{\ell+1}, \quad Q_h \mathbf{z}_\ell = \lambda_Q(k) \mathbf{z}_\ell.$$

What does that mean?



Seen before?



## Discrete Dispersion Relation (1/2)

So  $\mathbf{z}_\ell$  is a solution of the finite difference scheme if  $\omega = \omega(kh_x)$  satisfies

$$e^{-i\omega(\kappa)h_t} = s(\kappa),$$

where we let  $\kappa = kh_x$ . Interpret  $\kappa$ .

Let  $s(\kappa) = |s(\kappa)| e^{i\varphi(\kappa)} = e^{\log|s(\kappa)| + i\varphi(\kappa)}$ .  $\omega(\kappa)$ ?

## Discrete Dispersion Relation (2/2)

$$\omega(\kappa) = \frac{-\varphi(\kappa) + i \log |s(\kappa)|}{h_t}.$$

Plug that into the wave-like solution:

Criterion for stability?

## Numerical Dispersion/Dissipation

Finite difference scheme  $P_h \mathbf{u}_{\ell+1} = Q_h \mathbf{u}_\ell$  with symbol  $s(k)$ .

$$z_{j,\ell} = z_0 e^{\log|s(\kappa)|\ell} e^{ik\left(jh_x - \frac{-\varphi(\kappa)}{kh_t}\ell h_t\right)}$$

When is the scheme **dissipative**?

What is the **phase speed**?

**Dispersion**?

## Dispersion/Dissipation Analysis of ETBS

Let  $\lambda = ah_t/h_x$ . Shown earlier:  $s(kh_x) = 1 - \lambda(1 - e^{-ikh_x})$ .



## Dispersion/Dissipation Analysis of ETBS: Fine Grid

$$e^{-i\omega(\kappa)h_t} = 1 - \lambda(1 - e^{-ikh_x})$$

## Dispersion/Dissipation: Demo

- ▶ Demo: Experimenting with Dispersion and Dissipation [cleared]
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## Heat Equation

Heat equation ( $D > 0$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}u_t &= Du_{xx}, & (x, t) &\in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty), \\u(x, 0) &= g(x) & x &\in \mathbb{R}.\end{aligned}$$

Fundamental solution ( $g(x) = \delta(x)$ ):

Why is this a weird model?

## Schemes for the Heat Equation

Cook up some schemes for the heat equation.

Explicit Euler:

Implicit Euler:

## Von Neumann Analysis of Explicit Euler for Heat (1/2)

Let  $\lambda = Dh_t/h_x^2$ .

$$u_{k,\ell+1} = u_{k,\ell} + \lambda(u_{k+1,\ell} - 2u_{k,\ell} + u_{k-1,\ell}).$$

## Von Neumann Analysis of Explicit Euler for Heat (2/2)

$$-2 \leq 2\lambda(\cos(\varphi) - 1) \leq 0.$$

Comment on the stability region found regarding speeds of propagation.

## Von Neumann Analysis of Implicit Euler for Heat

Let  $\lambda = Dh_t/h_x^2$ .

$$u_{k,\ell+1} - \lambda(u_{k+1,\ell+1} - 2u_{k,\ell+1} + u_{k-1,\ell+1}) = u_{k,\ell}$$

Does the type of system we need to solve for implicit+parabolic correspond to another PDE?

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## Conservation Laws: Recap

$$u_t + f(u)_x = 0,$$

where  $u$  is a function of  $x$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$ .

Rewrite in integral form:

Recall: **Characteristic Curve**: a function  $x(t)$  so that  $u(x(t), t) = u(x_0, 0)$ .

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f'(u(x(t), t)), \\ x(0) = x_0. \end{cases}$$

What assumption underlies all this?

## Going Nonlinear: Burgers' Equation

Make a simple modification to advection  $u_t + au_x = 0$  to make it nonlinear.


Is that a sensible modification?

Is that still a conservation law?

## Burgers' Equation: Try FD Numerics

Demo: ETBS for Volume Burgers [cleared]

What do you think of these results?



## Burgers' Equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)_x = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = g(x) = \sin(x). \end{cases}$$

Interpret Burgers' equation.

Consider the characteristics at  $\pi/2$  and  $3\pi/2$ .

## Weak Solutions

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_a^b u(x, t) dx = f(u(a, t)) - f(u(b, t))$$

Define a weak solution:



## Rankine-Hugoniot Condition (1/2)

Consider: Two  $C^1$  segments separated by a curve  $x(t)$  with no regularity.

## Rankine-Hugoniot Condition (2/2)

$$(d/dt)G_a(x(t), t) = u(x(t), t)x'(t) - (f(u(x(t), t)) - f(u(a, t))).$$

# Rankine-Hugoniot and Weak Solutions

## Theorem (Rankine-Hugoniot and Weak Solutions)

*If  $u$  is piecewise  $C^1$  and is discontinuous only along isolated curves, and if  $u$  satisfies the PDE when it is  $C^1$ , and the Rankine-Hugoniot condition holds along all discontinuous curves, then  $u$  is a weak solution of the conservation law.*



## Riemann Problems: Example 1

Consider the following **Riemann problem**:

$$u_t + \left( \frac{u^2}{2} \right)_x = 0,$$
$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1 & x < 0, \\ -1 & x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$



## Riemann Problems: Example 2

$$u_t + \left( \frac{u^2}{2} \right)_x = 0,$$

$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} -1 & x < 0, \\ 1 & x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

(IC sign flip compared to previous slide)

## Bad Shocks and Good Shocks

In the shock version of the 'ambiguous' Riemann problem, where do the characteristics go?

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Comment on the stability of that situation.

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## Ad-Hoc Idea: Ban Bad Shocks

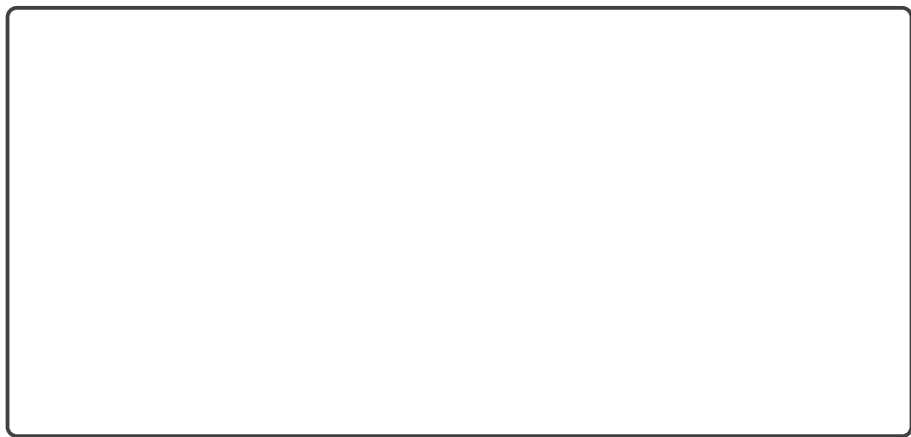
Recall: what is  $f'(u)$ ?

Devise a way to ban unstable shocks.

## Vanishing Viscosity Solutions

**Goal:** neither uniqueness nor existence poses a problem.

How?



# Entropy-Flux Pairs

What are features of (physical) entropy?

## Definition (Entropy/Entropy Flux)

An **entropy**  $\eta(u)$  and an **entropy flux**  $\psi(u)$  are functions so that  $\eta$  is convex and

$$\eta(u)_t + \psi(u)_x = 0$$

for smooth solutions of the conservation law.

## Finding Entropy-Flux Pairs

$\eta(u)_t + \psi(u)_x = 0$ . Find conditions on  $\eta$  and  $\psi$ .

Come up with an entropy-flux pair for Burgers.

## Back to Vanishing Viscosity (1/2)

$$u_t + f(u)_x = \varepsilon u_{xx}$$

What's the evolution equation for the entropy?





## Back to Vanishing Viscosity (2/2)

$$\eta(u)_t + \psi(u)_x = \varepsilon(\eta'(u)u_x)_x - \varepsilon\eta''(u)u_x^2.$$

Integrate this over  $[x_1, x_2] \times [t_1, t_2]$ , with  $x_1, x_2$  on either side of jump.

# Entropy Solution

## Definition (Entropy solution)

The function  $u(x, t)$  is the **entropy solution** of the conservation law if for **all** convex entropy functions and corresponding entropy fluxes, the inequality

$$\eta(u)_t + \psi(u)_x \leq 0$$

is satisfied in the weak sense.

## Entropy Solution vs Entropy Condition

Relate entropy solutions  $\eta(u)_t + \psi(u)_x \leq 0$  back to the entropy condition.

## Conservation of Entropy?

What can you say about conservation of entropy in time?



## Total Variation

$$\mathrm{TV}(u) = \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int |u(x + \varepsilon) - u(x)| dx.$$

Simpler form if  $u$  is differentiable?

Hiking analog?

## Total Variation and Conservation Laws

Theorem (Total Variation is Bounded [Dafermos 2016, Thm. 6.2.6])

*Let  $u$  be a solution to a conservation law with  $f''(u) \geq 0$ . Then:*

$$\mathrm{TV}(u(t + \Delta t, \cdot)) \leq \mathrm{TV}(u(t, \cdot)) \quad \text{for } \Delta t \geq 0.$$

Theorem ( $L^1$  contraction [Dafermos 2016, Thm. 6.3.2])

*Let  $u, v$  be viscosity solutions of the conservation law. Then*

$$\|u(t + \Delta t, \cdot) - v(t + \Delta t, \cdot)\|_{L^1} \leq \|u(t, \cdot) - v(t, \cdot)\|_{L^1} \quad \text{for } \Delta t \geq 0.$$

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## Finite Difference for Conservation Laws? (1/2)

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \left(\frac{u}{2}\right)_x = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1 & x < 0, \\ 0 & x \geq 0. \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Entropy Solution?

Rewrite the PDE to 'match' the form of advection  $u_t + au_x = 0$ :

Equivalent?



## Finite Difference for Conservation Laws? (2/2)

Recall the *upwind scheme* for  $u_t + au_x = 0$ :

Write the upwind FD scheme for  $u_t + uu_x = 0$ :

## Schemes in Conservation Form

### Definition (Conservative Scheme)

A conservation law scheme is called **conservative** iff it can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} u \, dx + \int_{\partial \Omega} f(u) \, dx = 0$$

where  $f^* \dots$

$$f^* = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in \mathcal{U} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Theorem (Lax-Wendroff)

*If the solution  $\{u_{j,\ell}\}$  to a conservative scheme converges (as  $\Delta t, \Delta x \rightarrow 0$ )*

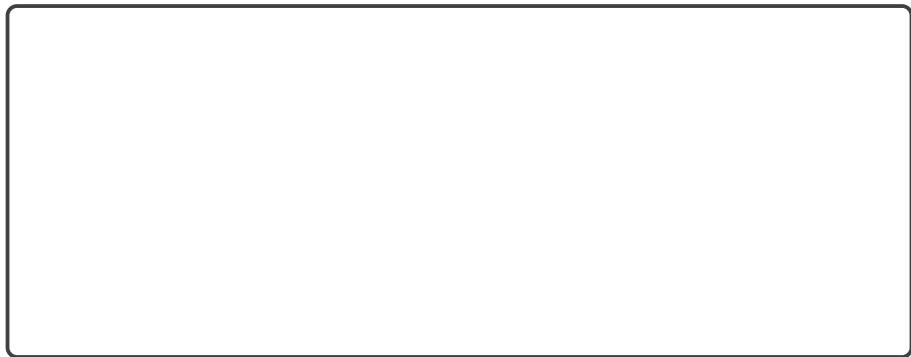
## Lax-Wendroff Theorem: Proof

**Summation by parts:** With  $\Delta^+ a_k = a_{k+1} - a_k$  and  $\Delta^- a_k = a_k - a_{k-1}$ :

$$\sum_{k=1}^N a_k (\Delta^- \varphi_k) + \sum_{k=1}^N \varphi_k (\Delta^+ a_k) = -a_1 \varphi_0 + \varphi_N a_{N+1}.$$

# Finite Volume Schemes

Finite volume: Idea?



## Developing Finite Volume

$$\int_{t_\ell}^{t^{\ell+1}} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} (u_t + f(u)_x) dx dt = 0$$

## Flux Integrals?

$$\frac{1}{h_x} \int_{t_\ell}^{t_{\ell+1}} f(u_{j+1/2}) dt?$$

# The Godunov Scheme

Altogether:

$$\bar{u}_{j,\ell+1} = \bar{u}_{j,\ell} - \frac{h_t}{h_x} (f(u_{j+1/2,\ell}) - f(u_{j-1/2,\ell})).$$

Overall algorithm?

Heuristic time step restriction?

## Riemann Problem

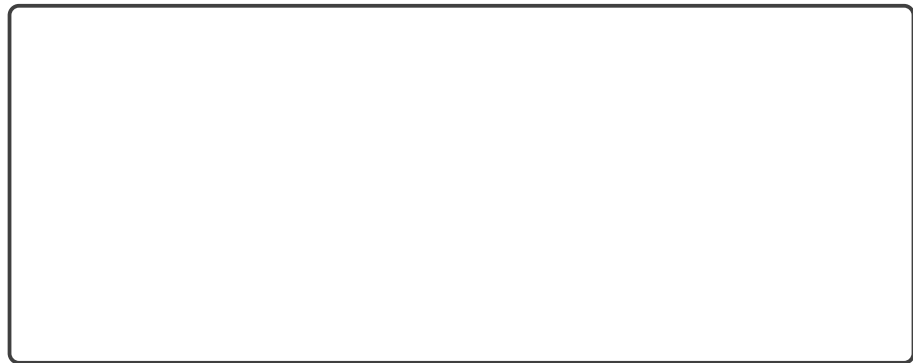
$$\begin{cases} u_t + f(u)_x = 0, \\ u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} u_l & x < 0, \\ u_r & x \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Exact solution in the Burgers case?



## Riemann Solver for a General Conservation Law

To complete the scheme: Need  $f^*(u^-, u^+)$ . For Burgers: already known.  
For a general convex ( $f''(u) > 0$ ) conservation law?



Equivalent to



## More Riemann Solvers

Downside of Godunov Riemann solver?

## Back to Advection

Consider only  $f(u) = au$  for now. Riemann solver inspiration from FD?



## Side Note: First Order Upwind, Rewritten

$$\frac{u_{j,\ell+1} - u_{j,\ell}}{h_t} + \frac{f^*(u_{j,\ell}, u_{j+1,\ell}) - f^*(u_{j-1,\ell}, u_{j,\ell})}{h_x}$$

with

$$f^*(u^-, u^+) = \frac{au^- + au^+}{2} - \frac{|a|}{2}(u^+ - u^-).$$

## Lax-Friedrichs

Generalize linear upwind flux for a nonlinear conservation law:

$$f^*(u^-, u^+) = \frac{au^- + au^+}{2} - \frac{|a|}{2}(u^+ - u^-).$$

Demo: Finite Volume Burgers [cleared] (Part I)

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## Improving Accuracy

Consider our existing discrete FV formulation:

$$\bar{u}_{j,\ell+1} = \bar{u}_{j,\ell} - \frac{h_t}{h_x} (f(u_{j+1/2,\ell}) - f(u_{j-1/2,\ell})).$$

What obstacles exist to increasing the order of accuracy?

What order of accuracy can we expect?

## Improving the Order of Accuracy

Improve temporal accuracy.

What's the obstacle to higher spatial accuracy?

How can we improve the accuracy of that approximation?



## Increasing Spatial Accuracy

*Temporary Assumptions:*

- ▶  $f'(u) \geq 0$
- ▶  $f_{j+1/2}^*(u^-, u^+) = f(u^-)$  (e.g. Godunov in this situation)

Reconstruct  $u_{j+1/2}$  using  $\{\bar{u}_{j-1}, \bar{u}_j, \bar{u}_{j+1}\}$ . Accuracy? Names?

Compute fluxes, use increments over cell average:

## Demos: Spatial Accuracy

- ▶ Demo: Higher-Order Reconstruction [\[cleared\]](#)
- ▶ Demo: Finite Volume Burgers [\[cleared\]](#) (Part II)

## Lax-Wendroff

Another scheme for high-order. For  $u_t + au_x$ , from finite difference:

$$f^*(u^-, u^+) = \frac{au^- + au^+}{2} - \frac{a^2}{2} \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (u^+ - u^-).$$

Taylor in time:  $u_{\ell+1} = u_\ell + \partial_t u_\ell \cdot h_t + \partial_t^2 u_\ell \cdot h_t^2/2 + O(h_t^3)$ .



Then use central differences to discretize derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{u_{j,\ell+1} - u_{j,\ell}}{h_t} + \frac{f(u_{j+1,\ell}) - f(u_{j-1,\ell})}{2h_x} \\ &= \frac{h_t}{2h_x} \left[ f'(u_{j+1/2,\ell}) \frac{f(u_{j+1,\ell}) - f(u_{j,\ell})}{h_x} - f'(u_{j-1/2,\ell}) \frac{f(u_{j,\ell}) - f(u_{j-1,\ell})}{h_x} \right] \end{aligned}$$

As Riemann solver:  $f^*(u^-, u^+) = \frac{f(u^-) + f(u^+)}{2} - \frac{h_t}{2} [f'(u^\circ)(f(u^+) - f(u^-))]$  <sup>155</sup>

# Monotone Schemes

## Definition (Monotone Scheme)

A scheme

$$\begin{aligned}u_{j,\ell+1} &= u_{j,\ell} - \lambda(f^*(u_{j-p}, \dots, u_{j+q}) - f^*(u_{j-p-1}, \dots, u_{j+q-1})) \\ &=: G(u_{j-p-1}, \dots, u_{j+q})\end{aligned}$$

is called a **montone scheme** if  $G$  is a monotonically nondecreasing function  $G(\uparrow, \uparrow, \dots, \uparrow)$  of each argument.

## Monotonicity for Three-Point Schemes

Three-Point Scheme:

$$G(u_{j-1}, u_j, u_{j+1}) = u_j - \lambda[f^*(u_j, u_{j+1}) - f^*(u_{j-1}, u_j)].$$

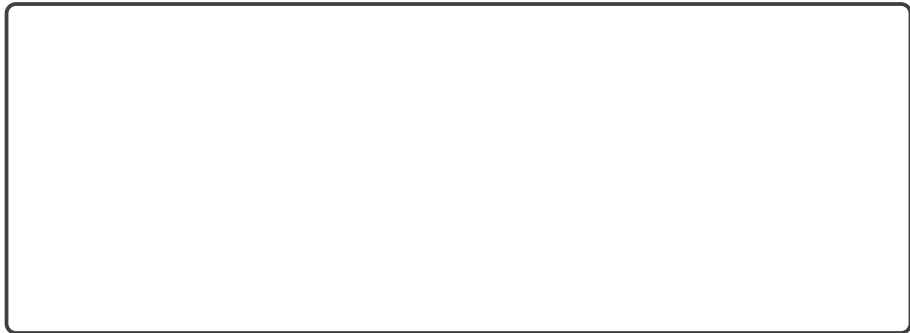
When is this monotone?



## Lax-Friedrichs is Monotone

$$f^*(u^-, u^+) = \frac{f(u^-) + f(u^+)}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{2}(u^+ - u^-).$$

Show: This is monotone.



# Monotone Schemes: Properties

## Theorem (Good properties of monotone schemes)

- ▶ *Local maximum principle:*

$$\min_{i \in \text{stencil around } j} u_i \leq G(u)_j \leq \max_{i \in \text{stencil around } j} u_i.$$

- ▶  *$L^1$ -contraction:*

$$\|G(u) - G(v)\|_{L^1} \leq \|u - v\|_{L^1}.$$

- ▶ *TVD:*

$$TV(G(u)) \leq TV(u).$$

- ▶ *Solutions to monotone schemes satisfy all entropy conditions.*

# Godunov's Theorem

Theorem (Godunov, see also [Harten/Hyman/Lax/Keyfitz '76](#))

*Monotone schemes are at most first-order accurate.*

What now?



## Linear Schemes

### Definition (Linear Schemes)

A scheme is called a **linear scheme** if it is linear when applied to a linear PDE:

$$u_t + au_x = 0,$$

where  $a$  is a constant.

Write the general case of a linear scheme for  $u_t + u_x = 0$ :

Linear + TVD = ?

### Theorem (TVD for linear Schemes)

*For linear schemes, TVD  $\Rightarrow$  monotone.*

What does that mean?

Now what?

# Harten's Lemma

## Theorem (Harten's Lemma)

*If a scheme can be written as*

$$\bar{u}_{j,\ell+1} = \bar{u}_{j,\ell} + \lambda(C_{j+1/2}\Delta_+\bar{u}_j - D_{j-1/2}\Delta_-\bar{u}_j)$$

*with  $C_{j+1/2} \geq 0$ ,  $D_{j+1/2} \geq 0$ ,  $1 - \lambda(C_{j+1/2} + D_{j+1/2}) \geq 0$  and  $\lambda = h_t/h_x$ , then it is TVD.*

As a matter of notation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_+ u_j &= u_{j+1} - u_j, \\ \Delta_- u_j &= u_j - u_{j-1}.\end{aligned}$$

We have omitted the time subscript for the time level  $\ell$ .

## Harten's Lemma: Proof

## Minmod Scheme

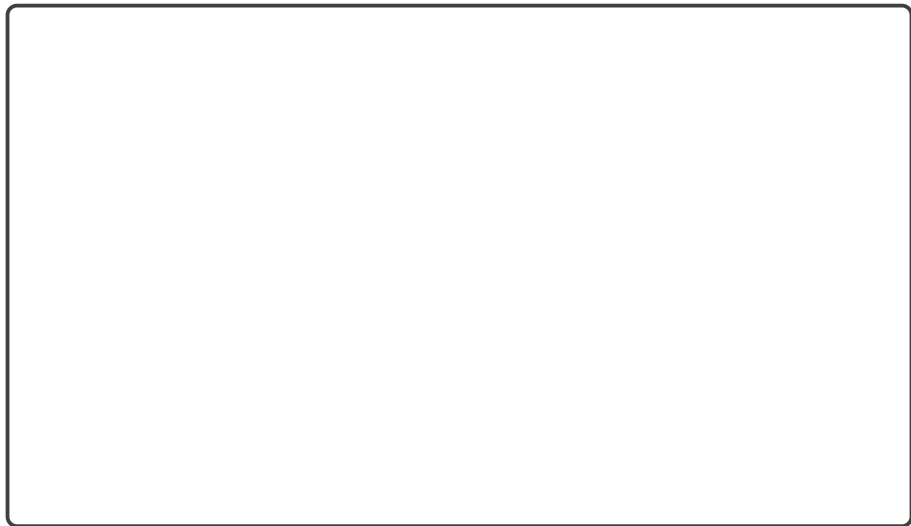
Still assume  $f'(u) \geq 0$ .

$$f_{j+1/2}^{*,(1)} = f\left(\bar{u}_j + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\bar{u}_{j+1} - \bar{u}_j)}_{\tilde{u}_j^{(1)}}\right), \quad f_{j+1/2}^{*,(2)} = f\left(\bar{u}_j + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(\bar{u}_j - \bar{u}_{j-1})}_{\tilde{u}_j^{(2)}}\right).$$

Design a 'safe' thing to use for  $\tilde{u}$ :

## Minmod is TVD

Show that Minmod is TVD:



## Minmod: CFL restriction?

Derive a time step restriction for Minmod.



## What about Time Integration?

$$u^{(1)} = u_\ell + h_t L(u_\ell), \quad u_{\ell+1} = \frac{u_\ell}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(u^{(1)} + h_t L(u^{(1)})).$$

Above: A version of RK2 with  $L$  the ODE RHS. Will this cause wrinkles?



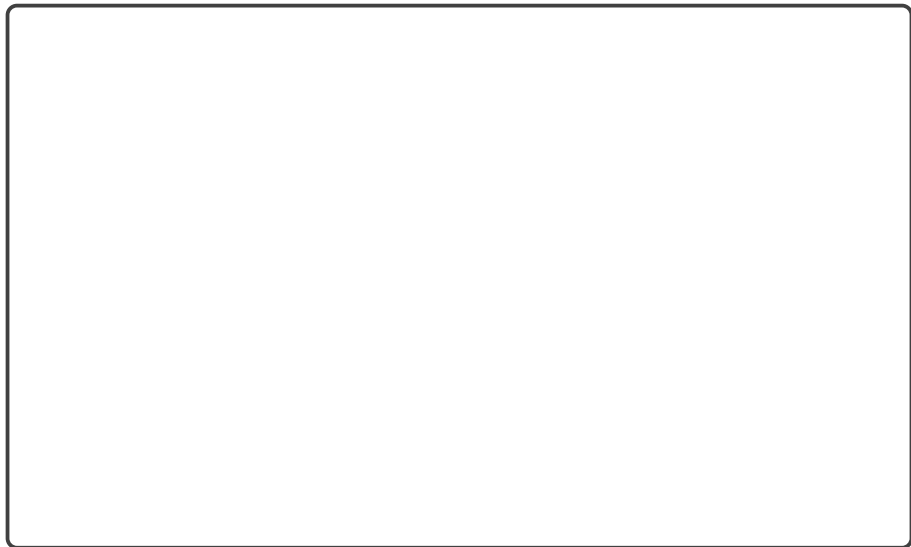
## Total Variation is Convex

Show:  $\text{TV}(\cdot)$  is a convex functional.



## TVD and High Order

Can TVD schemes be high order everywhere? (aside from near shocks)



## High Order at Smooth Extrema

- ▶ TVB Schemes [Shu '87]
- ▶ ENO [Harten/Engquist/Osher/Chakravarthy '87]
  - ▶ Define  $W_j = w(x_{j+1/2}) = \int_{x_{1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} u(\xi, t) d\xi = h_x \sum_{i=1}^j \bar{u}_i$ 
    - ▶ Observe  $u_{j+1/2} = w'(x_{j+1/2})$ .
    - ▶ Approximate by interpolation/numerical differentiation.
  - ▶ Start with the linear function  $p^{(1)}$  through  $W_{j-1}$  and  $W_j$
  - ▶ Compute divided differences on  $(W_{j-2}, W_{j-1}, W_j)$
  - ▶ Compute divided differences on  $(W_{j-1}, W_j, W_{j+1})$
  - ▶ Use the one with the smaller magnitude (of the divided differences) to extend  $p^{(1)}$  to quadratic
  - ▶ (and so on, adding points on the side with the lowest magnitude of the divided differences)
- ▶ WENO [Liu/Osher/Chan '94]

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## Systems of Conservation Laws

Linear system of hyperbolic conservation laws,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_t + A\mathbf{u}_x &= 0, \\ \mathbf{u}(x, 0) &= \mathbf{u}_0(x). \end{aligned}$$

Assumptions on  $A$ ?



## Linear System Solution

$$\mathbf{v} = R^{-1}\mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{v}_t + \Lambda \mathbf{v}_x = 0.$$

Write down the solution.

What is the impact on boundary conditions? E.g.  $(\lambda_p) = (-c, 0, c)$  for a BC at  $x = 0$  for  $[0, 1]$ ?

## Characteristics for Systems (1/2)

Consider system  $\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})_x = 0$ . Write in quasilinear form:

When hyperbolic?

## Characteristics for Systems (2/2)

What about characteristics/shock speeds?

Are values of  $u$  still constant along characteristics?



## Shocks and Riemann Problems for Systems

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_t + A\mathbf{u}_x &= 0, \\ \mathbf{u}(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_l & x < 0, \\ \mathbf{u}_r & x > 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Solution? (Assume strict hyperbolicity with  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \cdots < \lambda_m$ .)

## Shock Fans (1/2)

What does the solution look like?



Jump across the characteristic associated with  $\lambda_p$ ?



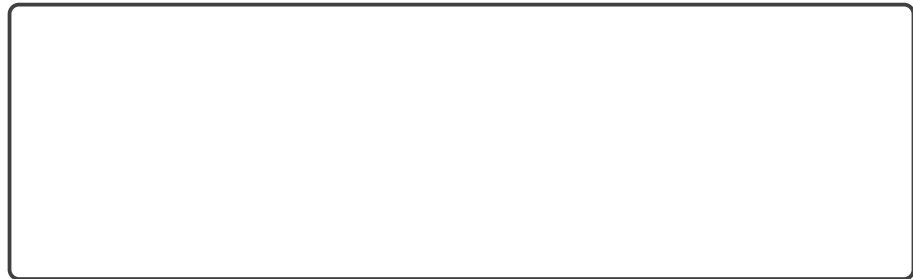
## Shock Fans (2/2)

Do those jumps satisfy Rankine-Hugoniot?

How can we find intermediate values of  $\mathbf{u}$ ?

## Two Dimensions

$u_t + f(u)_x + g(u)_y = 0$ . Finite volume methods generalize in principle:



However:



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## Function Spaces

Consider

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & x \leq -\frac{1}{n}, \\ \frac{3n}{2}x - \frac{n^3}{2}x^3 & -\frac{1}{n} < x < \frac{1}{n}, \\ 1 & x \geq 1/n. \end{cases}$$

Converges to the step function. Problem?

## Definition (Norm)

A **norm**  $\| \cdot \|$  maps an element of a *vector space* into  $[0, \infty)$ . It satisfies:

- ▶  $\|x\| = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$
- ▶  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$
- ▶  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  (triangle inequality)



# Convergence

## Definition (Convergent Sequence)

$x_n \rightarrow x :\Leftrightarrow \|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$  (convergence in norm)

## Definition (Cauchy Sequence)

# Banach Spaces

## Definition (Complete/"Banach" space)

What's special about Cauchy sequences?

Counterexamples?

## More on $C^0$

Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be open. Is  $C^0(\Omega)$  with  $\|f\|_\infty := \sup_{x \in \Omega} |f(x)|$  Banach?

Is  $C^0(\bar{\Omega})$  with  $\|f\|_\infty := \sup_{x \in \Omega} |f(x)|$  Banach?

## $C^m$ Spaces

Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Consider a **multi-index**  $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$  and define the symbols

### Definition ( $C^m$ Spaces)

## $L^p$ Spaces

Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

### Definition ( $L^p$ Spaces)

$$L^p(\Omega) := \left\{ u : (u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}) \text{ measurable, } \int_{\Omega} |u|^p dx < \infty \right\},$$

$$\|u\|_p := \left( \int_{\Omega} |u|^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

### Definition ( $L^\infty$ Space)

$$L^\infty(\Omega) := \{ u : (u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}), |u(x)| < \infty \text{ almost everywhere} \},$$

$$\|u\|_\infty = \inf \{ C : |u(x)| \leq C \text{ almost everywhere} \}.$$

## $L^p$ Spaces: Properties

### Theorem (Hölder's Inequality)

*For  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$  with  $1/p + 1/q = 1$  and measurable  $u$  and  $v$ ,*

### Theorem (Minkowski's Inequality (Triangle inequality in $L^p$ ))

*For  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $u, v \in L^p(\Omega)$ ,*

# Inner Product Spaces

Let  $V$  be a vector space.

## Definition (Inner Product)

An **inner product** is a function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that for any  $f, g, h \in V$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\langle f, f \rangle \geq 0,$$

$$\langle f, f \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow f = 0,$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \langle g, f \rangle,$$

$$\langle \alpha f + g, h \rangle = \alpha \langle f, h \rangle + \langle g, h \rangle.$$

## Definition (Induced Norm)

$$\|f\| = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle}.$$

# Hilbert Spaces

## Definition (Hilbert Space)

An inner product space that is complete under the induced norm.

Let  $\Omega$  be open.

## Theorem ( $L^2$ )

$L^2(\Omega)$  equals the closure of (set of all limits of Cauchy sequences in)  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$  under the induced norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$ .

## Theorem (Hilbert Projection (e.g. Yosida '95, Thm. III.1))



## Weak Derivatives

Define the space  $L^1_{\text{loc}}$  of **locally integrable functions**.

### Definition (Weak Derivative)

$v \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  is the **weak partial derivative** of  $u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$  of multi-index order  $\mathbf{k}$  if

## Weak Derivatives: Examples (1/2)

Consider all these on the interval  $[-1, 1]$ .

$$f_1(x) = 4(1 - x)x$$

$$f_2(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & x \leq 1/2, \\ 2 - 2x & x > 1/2. \end{cases}$$

## Weak Derivatives: Examples (2/2)

$$f_3(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} - \sqrt{|x - 1/2|}$$



# Sobolev Spaces

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

Definition  $((k, p)$ -Sobolev Norm/Space)

## More Sobolev Spaces

$$W^{0,2}?$$

$$W^{s,2}?$$

$$H_0^1(\Omega)?$$

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## An Elliptic Model Problem

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open, bounded,  $f \in H^1(\Omega)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot \nabla u + u &= f(x) \quad (x \in \Omega), \\ u(x) &= 0 \quad (x \in \partial\Omega). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $V := H_0^1(\Omega)$ . Integration by parts? (Gauss's theorem applied to ***ab***):

Weak form?

## Motivation: Bilinear Forms and Functionals

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} uv = \int f v.$$

This is the **weak form** of the strong-form problem. The task is to find a  $u \in V$  that satisfies this for all test functions  $v \in V$ .

Recast this in terms of bilinear forms and functionals:





# Dual Spaces and Functionals

## Bounded Linear Functional

Let  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. A **linear functional** is a linear function  $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . It is **bounded** ( $\Leftrightarrow$  continuous) if there exists a constant  $C$  so that  $|g(v)| \leq C \|v\|$  for all  $v \in V$ .

## Dual Space

Let  $(V, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. Then the **dual space**  $V'$  is the space of bounded linear functionals on  $V$ .

Dual Space is Banach (cf. e.g. Yosida '95 Thm. IV.7.1)

$V'$  is a Banach space with the **dual norm**



## Functionals in the Model Problem

Is  $g$  from the model problem a bounded functional? (In what space?)

That bound felt loose and wasteful. Can we do better?

## Riesz Representation Theorem (1/3)

Let  $V$  be a Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

### Theorem (Riesz)

*Let  $g$  be a bounded linear functional on  $V$ , i.e.  $g \in V'$ . Then there exists a unique  $u \in V$  so that  $g(v) = \langle u, v \rangle$  for all  $v \in V$ .*

## Riesz Representation Theorem: Proof (2/3)

Have  $w \in N(g)^\perp \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\alpha = g(w) \neq 0$ , and  $z := v - (g(v)/\alpha)w \perp w$ .



## Riesz Representation Theorem: Proof (3/3)

Uniqueness of  $u$ ?



## Back to the Model Problem

$$a(u, v) = \langle \nabla u, \nabla v \rangle_{L^2} + \langle u, v \rangle_{L^2}$$

$$g(v) = \langle f, v \rangle_{L^2}$$

$$a(u, v) = g(v)$$

Have we learned anything about the solvability of this problem?



## Poisson

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open, bounded,  $f \in H^{-1}(\Omega)$ .



This is called the **Poisson problem** (with Dirichlet BCs).

Weak form?



# Ellipticity

Let  $V$  be Hilbert space.

## $V$ -Ellipticity

A bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot) : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called **coercive** if there exists a constant  $c_0 > 0$  so that

and  $a$  is called **continuous** if there exists a constant  $c_1 > 0$  so that

If  $a$  is both coercive and continuous on  $V$ , then  $a$  is said to be  $V$ -elliptic.



## Lax-Milgram Theorem

Let  $V$  be Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

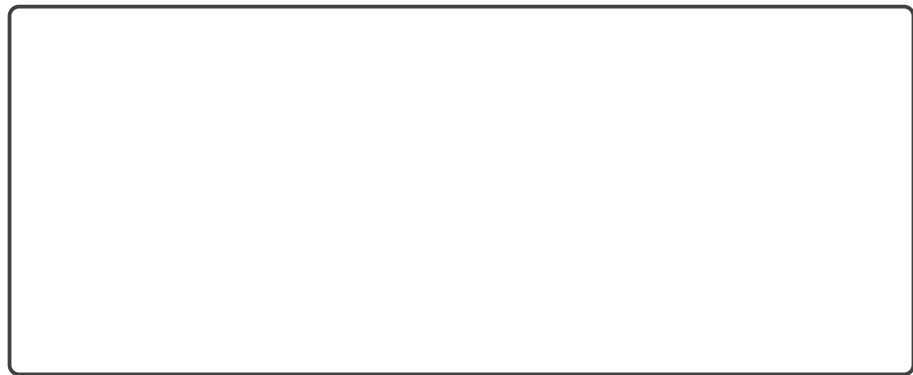
### Lax-Milgram, Symmetric Case

Let  $a$  be a  $V$ -elliptic bilinear form that is also **symmetric**, and let  $g$  be a bounded linear functional on  $V$ .

Then there exists a unique  $u \in V$  so that  $a(u, v) = g(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ .

## Back to Poisson

Can we declare victory for Poisson?



Can this inequality hold in general, without further assumptions?



## Poincaré-Friedrichs Inequality (1/3)

### Theorem (Poincaré-Friedrichs Inequality)

*Suppose  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is bounded and  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ . Then there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$\|u\|_{L^2} \leq C \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}.$$

## Poincaré-Friedrichs Inequality (2/3)

Prove the result in  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ .



## Poincaré-Friedrichs Inequality (3/3)

Prove the result in  $H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

## Back to Poisson, Again

Show that the Poisson bilinear form is coercive.

Draw a conclusion on Poisson:

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## Ritz-Galerkin

Some key goals for this section:

- ▶ How do we use the weak form to compute an approximate solution?
- ▶ What can we know about the accuracy of the approximate solution?

Can we pick one underlying principle for the construction of the approximation?





## Galerkin Orthogonality

$$a(u, v) = g(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in V, \quad a(u_h, v_h) = g(v_h) \quad \text{for all } v_h \in V_h.$$

Observations?



## Céa's Lemma

Let  $V \subset H$  be a closed subspace of a Hilbert space  $H$ .

### Céa's Lemma

Let  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  be a coercive and continuous bilinear form on  $V$ . In addition, for a bounded linear functional  $g$  on  $V$ , let  $u \in V$  satisfy

$$a(u, v) = g(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in V.$$

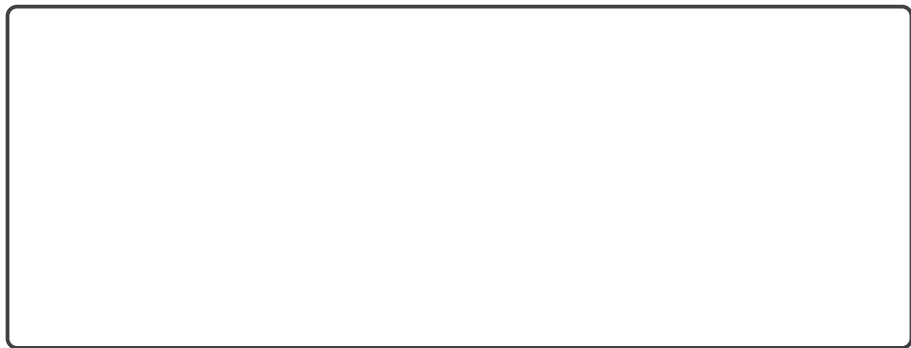
Consider the finite-dimensional subspace  $V_h \subset V$  and  $u_h \in V_h$  that satisfies

$$a(u_h, v_h) = g(v_h) \quad \text{for all } v_h \in V_h.$$

Then

## Céa's Lemma: Proof

Recall Galerkin orthogonality:  $a(u_h - u, v_h) = 0$  for all  $v_h \in V_h$ . Show the result.



# Elliptic Regularity

## Definition ( $H^s$ Regularity)

Let  $m \geq 1$ ,  $H_0^m(\Omega) \subseteq V \subseteq H^m(\Omega)$  and  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  a  $V$ -elliptic bilinear form. The bilinear form  $a(u, v) = \langle f, v \rangle$  for all  $v \in V$  is called  **$H^s$  regular**, if for every  $f \in H^{s-2m}$  there exists a solution  $u \in H^s(\Omega)$  and we have with a constant  $C(\Omega, a, s)$ ,

## Theorem (Elliptic Regularity (cf. Braess Thm. 7.2))

*Let  $a$  be a  $H_0^1$ -elliptic bilinear form with sufficiently smooth coefficient functions.*

## Elliptic Regularity: Counterexamples

Are the conditions on the boundary essential for elliptic regularity?

Are there any particular concerns for mixed boundary conditions?

## Estimating the Error in the Energy Norm

Come up with an idea of a bound on  $\|u - u_h\|_{H^1}$ .

What's still to do?

## $L^2$ Estimates

Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_H$  and the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .  
(Think:  $H = L^2$ ,  $V = H^1$ .)

### Theorem (Aubin-Nitsche)

*Let  $V \subseteq H$  be a subspace that becomes a Hilbert space under the norm  $\|\cdot\|_V$ . Let the embedding  $V \rightarrow H$  be continuous. Then we have for the finite element solution  $u \in V_h \subset V$ :*

*if with every  $g \in H$  we associate the unique (weak) solution  $\varphi_g$  of the equation (also called the **dual problem**)*

## Aubin-Nitsche: Proof



## $L^2$ Estimates using Aubin-Nitsche

$$\|u - u_h\|_H \leq c_1 \|u - u_h\|_V \sup_{g \in H} \left[ \frac{1}{\|g\|_H} \inf_{v_h \in V_h} \|\varphi_g - v_h\|_V \right],$$

If  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ , what do we get from Aubin-Nitsche?

So does Aubin-Nitsche give us an  $L^2$  estimate?

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## Finite Elements in 1D: Discrete Form

$\Omega := [\alpha, \beta]$ . Look for  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ , so that  $a(u, \varphi) = \langle f, \varphi \rangle$  for all  $\varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ . Choose  $V_h = \text{span}\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n\}$  and expand  $u_h = \sum_{i=1}^n u_h^i \varphi_i \in V_h$ . Find the discrete system.

## Grids and Hats

Let  $I_i := [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$ , so that  $\bar{\Omega} = \bigcup_{i=0}^N I_i$  and  $I_i^\circ \cap I_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ . Consider a grid

$$\alpha = x_0 < \cdots < x_N < x_{N+1} = \beta,$$

i.e.  $\alpha_i = x_i$ ,  $\beta_i = x_{i+1}$  for  $i \in \{0, \dots, N\}$ . The  $\{x_i\}$  are called **nodes** of the grid.  $h_i := x_{i+1} - x_i$  for  $i \in \{0, \dots, N\}$  and  $h := \max_i h_i$ .  $V_h$ ? Basis?

## Degrees of Freedom and Matrices

Define something more general than basis coefficients to solve for.



Define **shape functions** and assemble the **stiffness matrix**:



## A Matrix Property for Efficiency

$$(A_h)_{i,j} = a(\hat{\varphi}_j, \hat{\varphi}_i).$$

Anything special about the matrix?

## Error Estimation

According to C  a, what's our main missing piece in error estimation now?



## Interpolation Error (1D-only)

For  $v \in H^2(\Omega)$ ,

If  $v \in H^1(\Omega) \setminus H^2(\Omega)$ ,

In general (not just 1D), is  $I_h^1$  defined for  $v \in H^2$ ? for  $v \in H^1 \setminus H^2$ ?



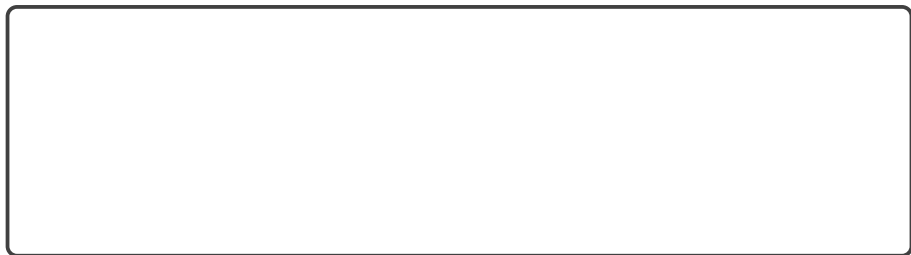
## Interpolation Error: Towards an Estimate

Provide an **a-priori** estimate.

What's the relationship between  $I_h^1 u$  and  $u_h$ ?

## Local-to-Global

Is there a simple way of constructing the polynomial basis?



## Local-to-Global: Math

Construct a polynomial basis using this approach.



# Demo

Demo: Developing FEM in 1D [cleared]

## Going Higher Order

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}$  with a grid as above.

Possible extension:

### Higher Order Approximation

Let  $0 \leq \ell \leq k$ . Then for  $v \in H^{\ell+1}(\Omega)$ ,

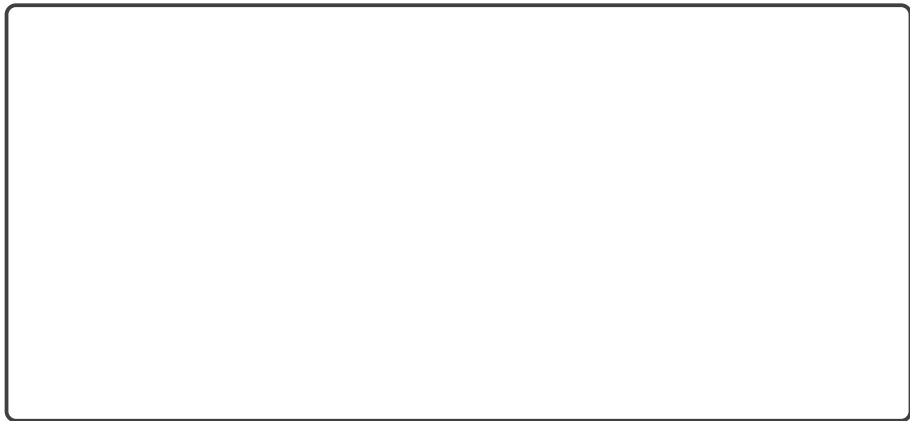
## High-Order: Degrees of Freedom

Define some **degrees of freedom** (or **DoFs**) for high-order 1D FEM.



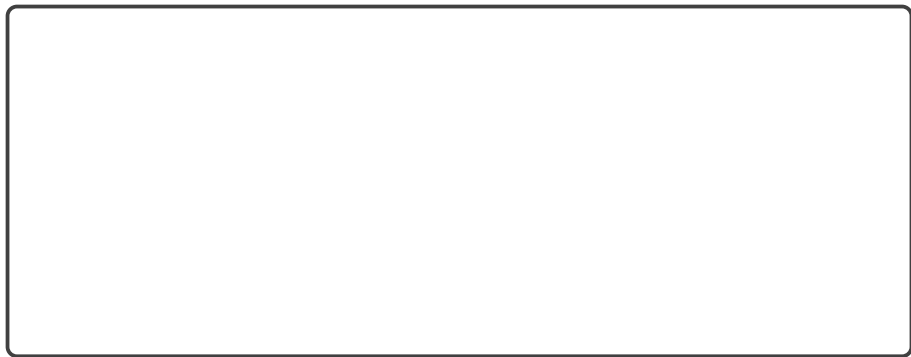
## High-Order: Local Basis

Define local form functions for high-order 1D FEM.



## High-Order: Global Basis

Obtain the global shape functions for high-order 1D FEM.





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## A Boundary Value Problem

Consider the following elliptic PDE

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot (\kappa(\mathbf{x}) \nabla u) &= f(\mathbf{x}) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2, \\ u(\mathbf{x}) &= 0 \quad \text{when } \mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Weak form?

## Weak Form: Bilinear Form and RHS Functional

Hence the problem is to find  $u \in V$ , such that

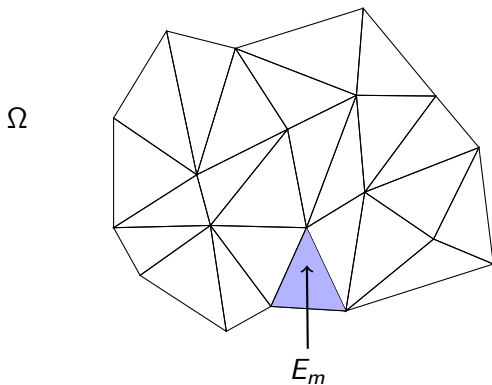
$$a(u, v) = g(v), \quad \text{for all } v \in V = H_0^1(\Omega)$$

where...

Is this symmetric, coercive, and continuous?

## Triangulation: 2D

Suppose the domain is a union of triangles  $E_m$ , with vertices  $x_i$ .



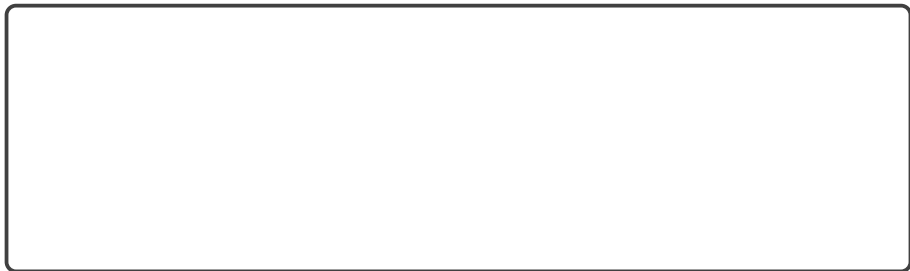
$$\bar{\Omega} = \bigcup_{i=1}^M E_m.$$

## Elements and the Bilinear Form

If the domain,  $\Omega$ , can be written as a disjoint union of elements,  $E_k$ ,

$$\Omega = \cup_{m=1}^M E_m \quad \text{with} \quad E_i^\circ \cap E_j^\circ = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j,$$

what happens to  $a$  and  $g$ ?



## Basis Functions

Expand

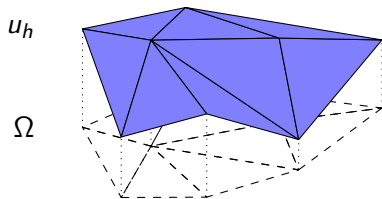
$$u_N(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} u_i \varphi_i,$$

and plug into the weak form.



# Global Lagrange Basis

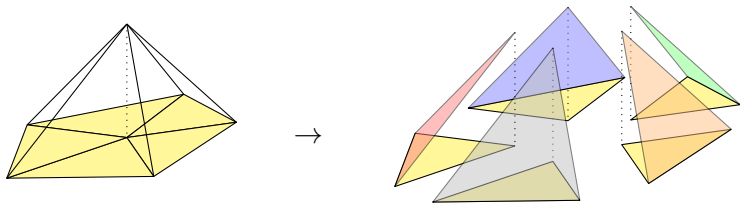
Approximate solution  $u_h$ : Piecewise linear on  $\Omega$



The **Lagrange basis** for  $V_h$  consists of piecewise linear  $\varphi_i$ , with...

# Basis Functions Features

Features of the basis?





## Local Basis

What basis functions exist on each triangle?



## Local Basis Expressions

Write expressions for the **nodal** linear basis in 2D.



## Higher-Order, Higher-Dimensional Simplex Bases

What's an  $n$ -simplex?

Give a higher-order polynomial space on the  $n$ -simplex:

Give nodal sets (on the  $\triangle$ ) for  $P^N$  and  $\dim P^N$  in general.

## Finding a Nodal/Lagrange Basis in General

Given a nodal set  $(\xi_i)_{i=1}^{N_p} \subset \hat{E}$  (where  $\hat{E}$  is the reference element) and a basis  $(\varphi_j)_{j=1}^{N_p} : \hat{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , find a Lagrange basis.



## Higher-Order, Higher-Dimensional Tensor Product Bases

What's a tensor product element?

Give a higher-order polynomial space on the  $n$ -simplex:

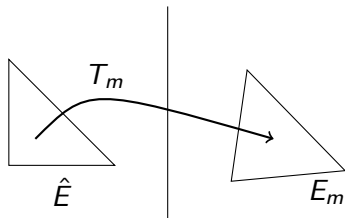
Give the nodal sets (on the quad) for  $Q^N$ .

## Tensor Product Elements: Lagrange Basis

Lagrange Basis for Tensor Product Elements?



## Element Mappings



Construct a mapping  $T_m : \hat{E} \rightarrow E_m$ . Reference element  $\hat{E}$ , global  $\triangle E_m$ .

What is the Jacobian of  $T_m$ ?

## More on Mappings

Is an affine mapping sufficient for a tensor product element?

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How might we accomplish curvilinear elements using the same idea?

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## Constructing the Global Basis

Construct a basis on the element  $E_m$  from the reference basis

$$(\hat{\varphi}_j)_j : \hat{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

What's the gradient of this basis?

## Assembling a Linear System

Express the matrix and vector elements in

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N_p} u_j a(\varphi_j, \varphi_i) = g(\varphi_i) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N_p.$$



## Integrals on the Reference Element

Evaluate

$$\int_E \kappa(\mathbf{x}) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi_i(\mathbf{x})^T \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

And now the RHS functional.

## Inhomogeneous Dirichlet BCs

Handle an inhomogeneous boundary condition  $u(\mathbf{x}) = \eta(\mathbf{x})$  on  $\partial\Omega$ .

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## Conditions on the Mesh

Let  $\Omega$  be a polygonal domain.

### Admissibility (Braess, Def. II.5.1)

A partition (**mesh**)  $\mathcal{T} = \{E_1, \dots, E_M\}$  of  $\Omega$  into triangular or quadrilateral **elements** is called **admissible** if

Give an example of a non-admissible partition.

# Mesh Resolution, Shape Regularity

## Definition (Diameter)

## Mesh Resolution

## Definition (Shape Regularity (Braess, Def. II.5.1))

A family of partitions  $\{\mathcal{T}_h\}$  is called **shape regular** if



## Cone Conditions

### Definition (Lipschitz Domain)

A bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is called a **Lipschitz domain** provided that...

Lipschitz domains satisfy a **cone condition**:

### Theorem (Rellich Selection Theorem (Braess, Thm. II.1.9))

Let  $m \geq 0$ , let  $\Omega$  be Lipschitz. Then the imbedding  $H^{m+1}(\Omega) \rightarrow H^m(\Omega)$  is **compact**, i.e. any bounded sequence in the range of the imbedding has a

# The Interpolation Operator

## Theorem (Interpolation Operator (Braess, Lemma II.6.2))

*Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be Lipschitz. Let  $t \geq 2$ , and  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_s$  are  $s := t(t+1)/2$  prescribed points in  $\bar{\Omega}$  such that the interpolation operator  $I : H^t \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{t-1}$  is well-defined. Then there exists a constant  $c$  so that for  $u \in H^t(\Omega)$*

## Theorem (Approx. for Congruent $\triangle$ (Braess, Remark II.6.5))

*Let  $E_h := h\hat{E}$ , i.e. a scaled version of a reference triangle, with  $h \leq 1$ . Then, for  $0 \leq m \leq t$ , there exists a  $C$  so that*

## Approximation for Congruent Triangles: Proof (1/2)

Set up a function on  $E_h$  and  $\hat{E}$ . Work out the scaling for the derivative.

Work out the scaling for the Sobolev seminorm.

Work out the scaling for the Sobolev norm. Recall  $h \leq 1$ .

## Approximation for Congruent Triangles: Proof (1/2)

$$\|u - Iu\|_{H^m(E_h)} \leq Ch^{t-m} |u|_{H^t(E_h)} \quad (0 \leq m \leq t)$$

- ▶  $|v|_{H^\ell(\hat{E})}^2 = |u|_{H^\ell(E_h)}^2$
- ▶  $\|u\|_{H^m(E_h)}^2 \leq C' h^{-2m+2} \|v\|_{H^m(\hat{E})}^2$

Prove the estimate.



## $H^m$ Polynomial Approximation on Meshes

### Definition (Broken Norm)

Given a partition  $\mathcal{T}_h = \{E_i\}_{i=1}^M$  and a function  $u$  such that  $u \in H^m(E_i)$ ,

### Approximation Theorem (Braess, Theorem II.6.4)

Let  $t \geq 2$ , suppose  $\mathcal{T}_h$  is a shape-regular triangulation of  $\Omega$ . Then there exists a constant  $c$  such that, for  $0 \leq m \leq t$  and  $u \in H^t(\Omega)$ ,

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## Weak Forms as Minimization Problems

Let  $V$  be a linear space, and  $a : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a bilinear form, and  $g \in V'$ .

**Theorem (Solutions of Weak Forms are Quadratic Form Minimizers)**

*If  $a$  is SPD, then*

*attains its minimum over  $V$  at  $u$  iff  $a(u, v) = g(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ .*

## Example: Lagrange Multipliers in $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \min!$$

$$g(x, y) = x + y = 2$$

Write down the Lagrangian.

Write down a necessary condition for a constrained minimum.



## Saddle Point Problems

$X, M$  Hilbert spaces.  $a : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $b : X \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  continuous bilinear forms,  $f \in X', g \in M'$ . Minimize

$$J(u) = \frac{1}{2}a(u, u) - \langle f, u \rangle \quad \text{subject to} \quad b(u, \mu) = \langle g, \mu \rangle \quad (\mu \in M).$$

Apply the method of the Lagrange multipliers.

### Example: Saddle Point Problem in $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \min!$$

$$g(x, y) = x + y = 2$$

Lagrangian:  $\mathcal{L}(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) + \lambda g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + \lambda(x + y - 2)$ .

Show that  $x = y = 1$ ,  $\lambda = -2$  is a saddle point.



## Stokes Equation

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= -\mathbf{f} \quad (x \in \Omega), \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0 \quad (x \in \Omega), \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}_0 \quad (x \in \partial\Omega).\end{aligned}$$

What are the pieces?



## Stokes: Properties

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p &= -\mathbf{f} \quad (x \in \Omega), \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0 \quad (x \in \Omega), \\ \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{u}_0 \quad (x \in \partial\Omega).\end{aligned}$$

Can we choose any  $\mathbf{u}_0$ ?

Does Stokes fully determine the pressure?

## Stokes: Variational Formulation

$$\Delta \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = -\mathbf{f}, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad (x \in \partial\Omega).$$

Choose some function spaces (for homogeneous  $\mathbf{u}_0 = 0$ ).

Derive a weak form.

## Solvability of Saddle Point Problems

The Stokes weak form is clearly in saddle-point form.  
Do all saddle point problems have unique solutions?



## The inf-sup Condition

$$\begin{aligned}a(u, v) + b(v, \lambda) &= \langle f, v \rangle \quad (v \in X), \\ b(u, \mu) &= \langle g, \mu \rangle \quad (\mu \in M).\end{aligned}$$

### Theorem (Brezzi's splitting theorem (Braess, III.4.3))

*The saddle point problem has a unique solution if and only if*

- ▶ *The bilinear form  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  is  $V$ -elliptic, where  $V = \{u : b(u, \mu) = 0 \text{ for all } \mu \in M\}$ , i.e. there exists  $c_0 > 0$  so that*



- ▶ *There exists a constant  $c_2 > 0$  so that (**inf-sup** or **LBB condition**):*



## Interpreting the inf-sup Condition

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M \begin{bmatrix} A & \\ & -BA^{-1}B^T \end{bmatrix} M^T$$

$$a(v, v) \geq c_0 \|v\|_X^2, \quad \inf_{\mu \in M} \sup_{v \in X} \frac{b(v, \mu)}{\|v\|_X \|\mu\|_M} \geq c_2.$$

For any given  $v$ , can we expect  $b(v, \mu)$  to be nonzero for all  $\mu$ ?

What is the inf-sup condition saying?

Why does it suffice for  $a$  to be  $V$ -elliptic?



## inf-sup and Stokes

$$\begin{aligned}a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= \int_{\Omega} J_{\mathbf{u}} : J_{\mathbf{v}}, & \text{where } A : B = \text{tr}(AB^T), \\b(\mathbf{v}, q) &= \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} q.\end{aligned}$$

Find  $(\mathbf{u}, p) \in X \times M$  so that

$$\begin{aligned}a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + b(\mathbf{v}, p) &= \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_{L^2} \quad (\mathbf{v} \in X), \\b(\mathbf{u}, q) &= 0 \quad (q \in M).\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem (Existence and Uniqueness for Stokes (Braess, III.6.5))**

*There exists a unique solution of this system when  $\mathbf{f} \in H^{-1}(\Omega)^n$ .*

(based on results due to Ladyženskaya, Nečas)

# Discretizations for Stokes

Demo: 2D Stokes Using Firedrake [cleared] ( $P^1$ - $P^1$ )

Give a heuristic reason why  $P^1$ - $P^1$  might not be great.

Demo: Bad Discretizations for 2D Stokes [cleared]

## Establishing a Discrete inf-sup Condition

Suppose  $b : X \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies inf-sup. Subspaces  $X_h \subseteq X$ ,  $M_h \subseteq M$ .

### Fortin's Criterion ([Fortin 1977])

Suppose there exists a bounded projector  $\Pi_h : X \rightarrow X_h$  so that

If  $\|\Pi_h\| \leq c$  for some constant  $c$  independent of  $h$ , then  $b$  satisfies the inf-sup-condition on  $X_h \times M_h$ .

## $H^1$ -Boundedness of the $L^2$ -Projector

Assume  $H^2$ -regularity and a **uniform** triangulations  $\mathcal{T}_h$ . (Not in general!)

### $H^1$ -Boundedness of the $L^2$ -Projector (Braess Corollary II.7.8)

Let  $\pi_h^0$  be the  $L_2$ -projector onto a finite element space  $V_h \subset H^1(\Omega)$ . Then, for an  $h$ -independent constant  $c$ ,

Ingredients?

## $H^1$ -Boundedness of the $L^2$ -Projector

Does  $H^1$  boundedness of the  $H^1$  projector hold?

How would this break down without the uniformity assumption?

## Bubbles and the MINI Element

What is a **bubble function**?

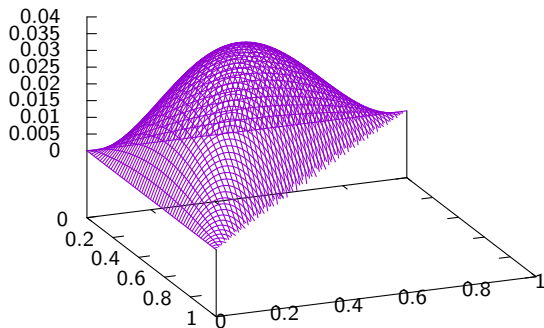
Let  $B^3$  be the span of the bubble function and  $\mathcal{T}_h$  the triangulation.

Define the MINI variational space  $X_h \times M_h$ .

Computational impact of the bubble DOF?

# The Bubble in Pictures

$$r+s \leq 1 \quad r*s*(1-r-s):1/0$$



## MINI Satisfies an inf-sup Condition (1/4)

### MINI satisfies inf-sup (Braess Theorem III.7.2)

Assume  $\Omega$  is convex or has a smooth boundary. Then the MINI variational space satisfies an inf-sup condition for every variational form that itself satisfies one.



## MINI Satisfies an inf-sup Condition (2/4)

Create a projector onto the bubble space  $B^3$ .

What does this bubble projector do?

Do we have an estimate for the bubble projector?

## MINI Satisfies an inf-sup Condition (3/4)

Make an overall projector  $\Pi_h$  onto  $X_h$ .

Show Fortin's criterion for  $\Pi_h$ .

## MINI Satisfies an inf-sup Condition (4/4)

- ▶  $\|\pi_h^0 v\|_{H^1} \leq c_1 \|v\|_{H^1}$  for  $L^2$  projector  $\pi_h^0 : H_0^1 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_h$ .
- ▶  $\|v - \pi_h^0 v\|_{L^2} \leq c_2 h |v|_{H^1}$ .
- ▶  $\|\pi_h^1 v\|_{L^2} \leq c_3 \|v\|_{L^2}$ .

Show  $H^1$ -boundedness of  $\Pi_h$ .



# Demo

Demo: 2D Stokes Using Firedrake [cleared] (MINI and Taylor-Hood)

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## Lax-Milgram, General Case

Let  $V$  be Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

### Theorem (Lax-Milgram, General Case)

*Let  $a$  be a  $V$ -elliptic bilinear form, and let  $g$  be a bounded linear functional on  $V$ .*

*Then there exists a unique  $u \in V$  so that  $a(u, v) = g(v)$  for all  $v \in V$ .*

## Lax-Milgram Proof (2/5)

$a(u, v) = \langle v, Tu \rangle$ . Show linearity of  $T$ .

Show boundedness  $\Leftrightarrow$  continuity of  $T$ .

## Lax-Milgram Proof (3/5)

$a(u, v) = \langle v, Tu \rangle$ . Show that  $T$  has closed range. (Needed for Hilbert projection, which is needed for onto.)



## Lax-Milgram Proof (4/5)

$a(u, v) = \langle v, Tu \rangle$ . Show that  $T$  is onto  $V$ .

## Lax-Milgram Proof (5/5)

Show existence of the solution  $u$ .

Show uniqueness of the solution  $u$ .

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## Conservation laws

**Goal:** Solve *conservation laws* on bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\mathbf{q}_t + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) = 0$$

### Example: Maxwell's Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{D} - \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= -\mathbf{j}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{B} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= 0, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

What do we do with the divergence constraints?

## Rewriting Maxwell's

Let  $\mathbf{q} = (D_x, D_y, D_z, B_x, B_y, B_z)^T$ . Consider  $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$ .

$$\partial_t \mathbf{D} - \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = -0,$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{B} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0.$$

Assume  $\epsilon, \mu$  constant. Rewrite in conservation law form:  $\mathbf{q}_t + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) = 0$

Could we also define  $\mathbf{q} = (E_x, E_y, E_z, H_x, H_y, H_z)^T$ ?

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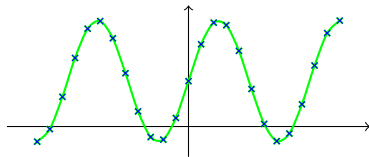
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## Solving $q_t + aq_x = 0$ : Finite Differences

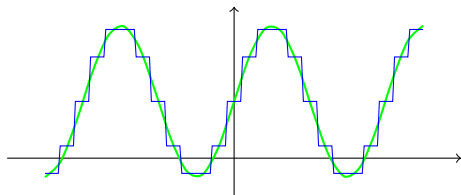


$$D_t^- + aD_x^- = 0$$

$$D_t^+ f := \frac{f(t + \Delta t) - f(t)}{\Delta t}$$



## Solving $q_t + a q_x = 0$ : Finite Volume

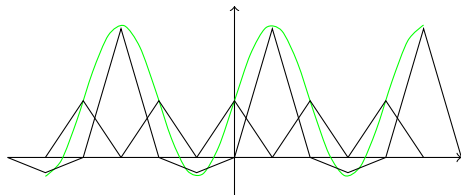


$$\bar{q}_k := \int_{(k-1/2)\Delta x}^{(k+1/2)\Delta x} q(x) dx$$

$$\Delta x \partial_t \bar{q}_k + f^{k+1/2} - f^{k-1/2} = 0$$

$f^{k\pm 1/2}$ : flux “reconstructions”

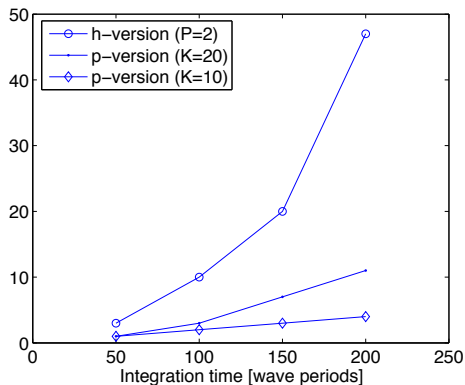
## Solving $q_t + aq_x = 0$ : Finite Elements



$$\int_{\Omega} q_t^N \phi + a q_x^N \phi dx = 0$$

for  $\phi$  in a test space.

# Do we really want high order?



Time to compute solution at 5% error

Big assumption?



Figure from talk by Jan Hesthaven

## Summarizing

Want flexibility of finite elements *without* the drawbacks.



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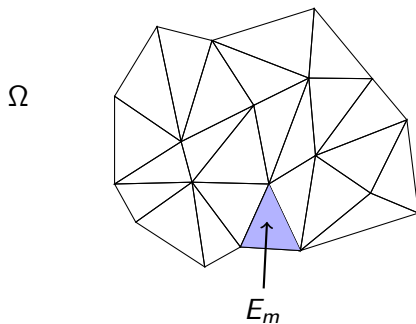
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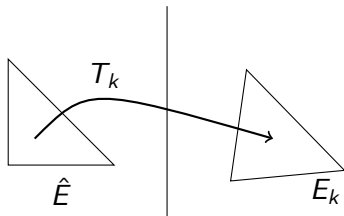
## Developing the Scheme



What do do about unbounded domains?

## Dealing with the Mesh, Part I

For each cell  $E_k$ , find a ref-to-global map  $T_k$ :



$$T_k : \hat{E} \rightarrow E_k$$

$$\mathbf{x} = (x, y, z) = T_k(r, s, t) = T_k(\mathbf{r})$$

- ▶  $T_k$  affine for straight-sided simplices:  $T_k(\mathbf{r}) = A\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{b}$
- ▶ Curved elements also possible: iso/sub/super-parametric

## Dealing with the Mesh, Part II

Based on knowledge of how to do this on  $\hat{E}$ :

Can now *integrate* on  $\Omega$ :

and *differentiate* on  $\Omega$ :

Jacobian of  $T_k^{-1}$ ?



## Dealing with the Mesh, Part III

Approximation basis set on  $E_k$ ?

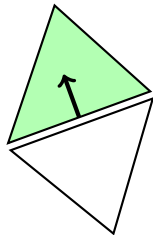
What function space do we get if  $T_k$  is non-affine?

## Going Galerkin

$$\int_{E_k} q_t^k \phi + (\nabla \cdot F^k) \phi dx = 0$$

Integrate by parts:

Problem?



## Strong-Form DG

*Weak form:*

$$0 = \int_{E_k} q_t^k \phi dx - \int_{E_k} F^k \cdot \nabla \phi dx + \int_{\partial E_k} (F^k \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})^* \phi dx$$

Integrate by parts *again*:



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# Accuracy and Stability

In DG: what provides accuracy? what provides stability?



Following slides based on material by Tim Warburton

## Stability: Basic Setup (1/2)

$$0 = \int_{E_k} q_t^k \phi d\mathbf{x} - \int_{E_k} F^k \cdot \nabla \phi d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\partial E_k} (F^k \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \phi dS_x$$

## Stability: Basic Setup (2/2)

$$\frac{\partial_t \|q_k\|_{2,E_k}^2}{2} = \int_{E_k} a q_k \partial_x q_k dx - \int_{\partial E_k} (a q_k n_x)^* q_k dS_x$$

## Stability: Going Global

$$\frac{\partial_t \|q_k\|_{2,E_k}^2}{2} = \int_{\partial E_k} \frac{a(q_k)^2 n_x}{2} - (aq_k n_x)^* q_k dS_x$$



Gather up

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial_t \|q_k\|_{2,\Omega}^2}{2} = & \sum_{f \in \text{faces}} \left( \int_f \frac{a(q_k^+)^2 n_x^+}{2} - (aq_k n_x)_+^* q_k^+ dS_x \right. \\ & \left. + \int_f \frac{a(q_k^-)^2 n_x^-}{2} - (aq_k n_x)_-^* q_k^- dS_x \right) \end{aligned}$$

## Picking a Flux

Want:

$$(*) = \left( a n_x^- \frac{q_k^- + q_k^+}{2} - (a q_k n_x)^*_- \right) (q_k^- - q_k^+) \stackrel{!}{\leq} 0$$

Ideas?



## Picking a flux, attempt two

Want:

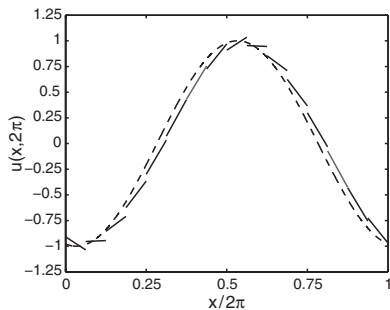
$$(*) = \left( a n_x^- \frac{q_k^- + q_k^+}{2} - (a q_k n_x)^*_- \right) (q_k^- - q_k^+) \stackrel{!}{\leq} 0$$

More ideas?

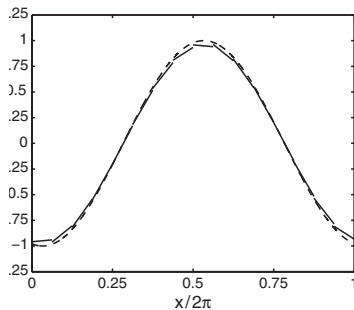


# Comparing Fluxes (1/3)

Central



Upwind



Upwind penalizes jumps!

Figure from talk by Jan Hesthaven

## Comparing Fluxes (2/3)

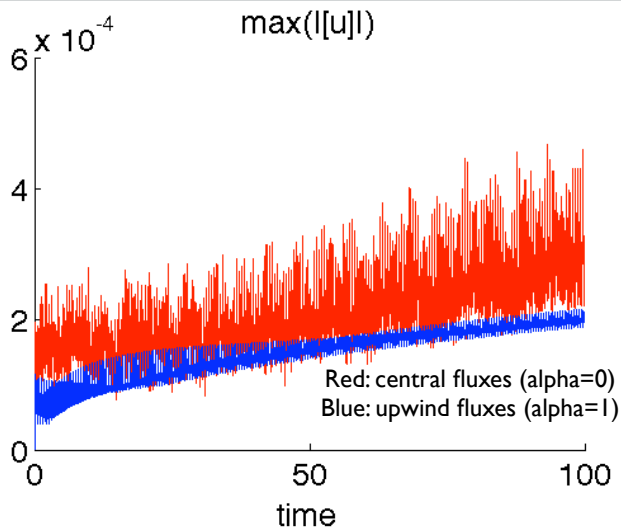


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## Comparing Fluxes (3/3)

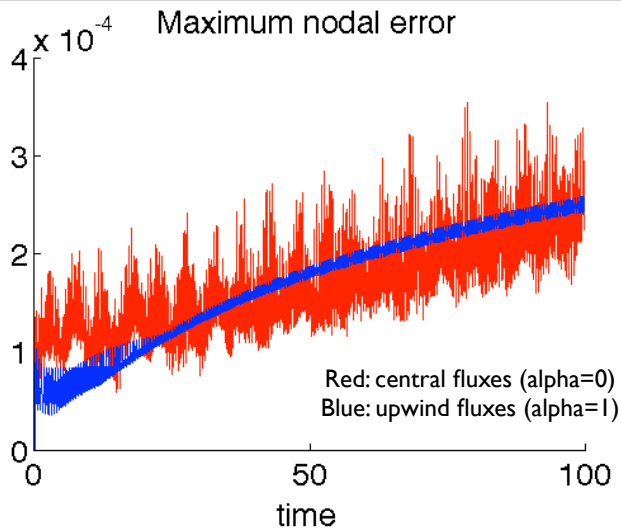


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## Stability Analysis

Clif notes on flux choice?

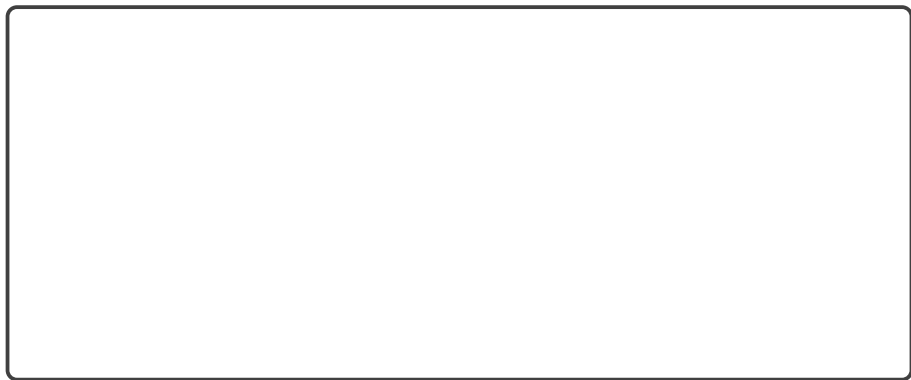
Swept under the rug: Boundary conditions

Element coupling (and BCs) done *weakly*

## Accuracy

Stability: (preliminary version) done!

Accuracy: Depends on approximation properties!





# Systems of Conservation Laws

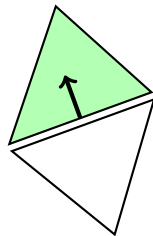
What to do about systems?



## What about multiple dimensions?

We've dealt with 1D systems.

How about the move to multiple dimensions?



# Simultaneous Diagonalization

2D second-order wave equation across a boundary with normal  $n$ :



Demo: Finding Numerical Fluxes for DG [cleared] (Part 1)

## Jumps and Averages

Jump and average of a scalar quantity:

A large, empty rectangular box with rounded corners and a thin black border, intended for the user to provide the jump and average of a scalar quantity.

Jump and average of a vector quantity:

A large, empty rectangular box with rounded corners and a thin black border, intended for the user to provide the jump and average of a vector quantity.

## A Flux for Maxwell's

Wanted to solve Maxwell's equation in the time domain. Numerical flux?

Either look in the [literature](#):

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot (\mathbf{F}_N - \mathbf{F}_N^*) := \frac{1}{2} \left( \{Z\}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times (Z^+ \llbracket \mathbf{H} \rrbracket - \alpha \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \llbracket \mathbf{E} \rrbracket) \right. \\ \left. \{Y\}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times (-Y^+ \llbracket \mathbf{E} \rrbracket - \alpha \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \llbracket \mathbf{H} \rrbracket) \right).$$

or derive yourself: [Demo: Finding Numerical Fluxes for DG \[cleared\]](#) (Part 2)

**Good news:** Scheme mathematically complete.

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What do the DoFs mean?

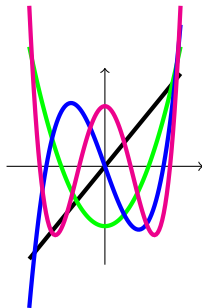


# Modes

Function spaces same as for FEM:  $P^N$ ,  $Q^N$ .

Numerically: better to use orthogonal polynomials with

$$\int_{\hat{E}} \phi_i \phi_j = \delta_{i,j}$$





## Nodes

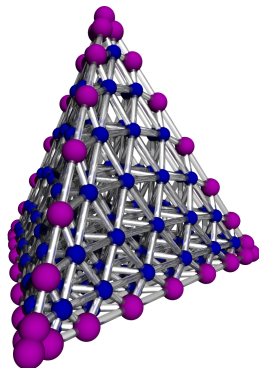
Define set of interpolation nodes  $(\xi_i)_{i=1}^{N_p}$  and  $\ell_i$  their Lagrange basis.

Define *generalized Vandermonde matrix*

$$V_{ij} := \phi_j(\xi_i)$$



$\xi_i$  determine  $\text{cond}(V)$ !



## In Matrix Form

$$0 = \int_{E_k} q_t^k \phi dx - \int_{E_k} F^k \cdot \nabla \phi dx + \int_{\partial E_k} (F^k \cdot n)^* \phi dx$$

Write in matrix form:

## Explicit Time Integration

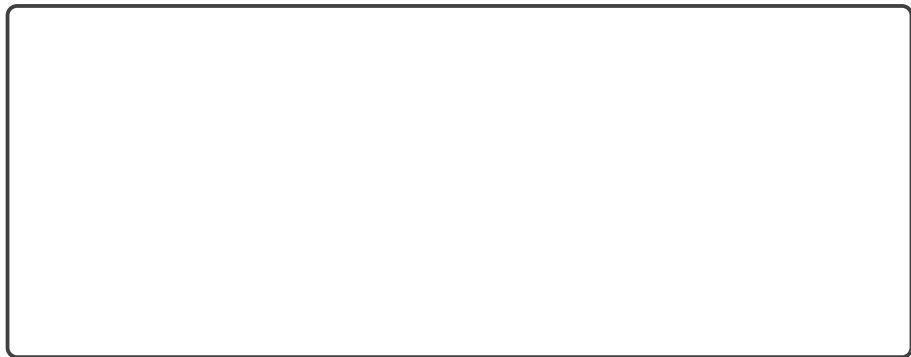
$$0 = \mathcal{M}^k \partial_t u^k - \sum_{\nu} \mathcal{S}^{k, \partial_{\nu}} [F(u^k)] + \sum_{A \subset \partial E_k} \mathcal{M}^{k, A} (\hat{n} \cdot F)^*$$

How can we do time integration on this weak form?



## Trick: Multiple face mass matrices

Applying multiple face mass matrices at once:



## Dealing with Nonlinearity

$$0 = \int_{E_k} q_t^k \phi dx - \int_{E_k} F^k(q_k) \cdot \nabla \phi dx + \int_{\partial E_k} (F^k(q_k) \cdot n)^* \phi dx$$

What happens if  $F$  is nonlinear (in volume/surface)?

# DG and Modern Computers: Possible Advantages

DG on modern processor architectures: Why?

