

Hour 13

Lecture 12

Polar coordinates
§ 2.16

Consider the parabolic equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta u & \text{in } \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} \text{ given} \end{cases}$$

in cylindrical or spherical coordinates.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r^\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^\alpha \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\alpha}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}$$

$\alpha=1$: cylindrical
 $\alpha=2$: spherical

Fourier series $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r^\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^\alpha \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{n^2}{r^2} u$$

IVP:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) & 0 \leq r \leq 1 \\ u(1, t) = g(t), \quad u(0, t) \text{ bounded} \\ u(r, 0) = u^0(r) \end{cases}$$

FD Discretization:

$$r_0 = 0 < r_1 < \dots < r_J = 1$$

$$r_j = j \Delta r, \quad \Delta r = \frac{1}{J}$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{U_j^{n+1} - U_j^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{2}{r_j^2(r_{j+1} - r_{j-1})} \left[r_{j+1/2}^2 \frac{U_{j+1}^n - U_j^n}{\Delta r} - r_{j-1/2}^2 \frac{U_j^n - U_{j-1}^n}{\Delta r} \right] \\ U_j^{n+1} &= g(t_{n+1}) \end{aligned} \right. \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, J-1$$

J eqns for $J+1$ unknowns?

Pole Conditions:

Assume that $U(r, t)$ is sufficiently smooth.

$$\begin{aligned} U(r, t) &= U(0, t) + \frac{\partial U}{\partial r}(0, t) r + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial r^2}(0, t) \frac{r^2}{2!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^j}{j!} \frac{\partial^j U}{\partial r^j}(0, t) \quad \text{for } r \text{ small} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} \right)^{(r, t)} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{j-2}}{j!} (j+1)j \frac{\partial^j U}{\partial r^j}(0, t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^j}{j!} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial^j U}{\partial r^j}(0, t) \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \frac{(j+2)(j+1) r^j}{(j+2)!} \frac{\partial^{j+2} U}{\partial r^{j+2}}(0, t) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^j}{j!} \frac{\partial^{j+1} u}{\partial t \partial r^j}(0, t) = \sum_{j=-2}^{\infty} \frac{(j+2)(j+3) r^j}{(j+2)!} \frac{\partial^{j+2} u}{\partial r^{j+2}}(0, t)$$

for r small

$$j=-2: \quad 0 = 0 \quad O(r^{-2})$$

$$j=-1: \quad 0 = 2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(0, t) \quad O(r^{-1})$$

$$j \geq 0: \quad \frac{1}{j!} \frac{\partial^{j+1} u}{\partial t \partial r^j}(0, t) = \frac{(j+2)(j+3)}{(j+2)!} \frac{\partial^{j+2} u}{\partial r^{j+2}}(0, t) \quad O(r^j)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(0, t) = 0}$$

~~$$u(r, t) = u(0, t) + \frac{(\Delta r)^2}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2}(0, t) + O(\Delta r^3)$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(r, t) \right) = \dots$$~~

Tech 1 Direct Expansion (?)

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(r, t) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(r, t_n) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)(r, t_n)$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(r, t_n) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(0, t_n) \approx \frac{U_0^{n+1} - U_0^n}{\Delta t}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)(r, t_n) = ?$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(0,t) = 0!$$

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$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r})(r, t_n) = \boxed{3} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2}(0, t_n)$$

$$u(\Delta r, t_n) = u(0, t_n) + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2}(0, t_n) \frac{\Delta r^2}{2!} + O(\Delta r^3)$$

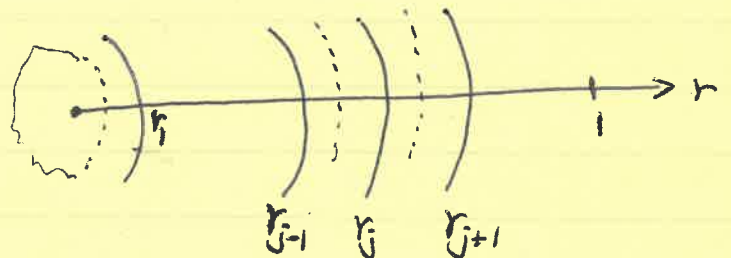
$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r})(r, t_n) = \frac{u(\Delta r, t_n) - u(0, t_n)}{\Delta r^2} \cdot 6 + O(\Delta r)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{U_0^{n+1} - U_0^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{U_1^n - U_0^n}{\Delta r^2}}$$

$O(\Delta r)$

Tech 2 (Physical motivation)

u : temperature



$r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \propto$ Total heat flux across surface at r

$=$ heat flux $\otimes$ area of surface at r

$r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \Big|_{j+1/2} - r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \Big|_{j-1/2} \propto$ increase of temperature $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$

$\otimes$ volume of the domain
between $r = r_{j+1/2}$ and $r = r_{j-1/2}$

$$r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \Big|_{j+1/2} - r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \Big|_{j-1/2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(r_j, t) \cdot \frac{1}{3} (r_{j+1/2}^3 - r_{j-1/2}^3)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{U_j^{n+1} - U_j^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{3}{r_{j+1/2}^3 - r_{j-1/2}^3} \left[r_{j+1/2}^2 \frac{U_{j+1}^n - U_j^n}{\Delta r} - r_{j-1/2}^2 \frac{U_j^n - U_{j-1}^n}{\Delta r} \right] \\ U_j^{n+1} &= g(t_{n+1}) \end{aligned} \right. \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, J-1$$

$$r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \Big|_{r=0} \cdot \frac{1}{3} r_{\frac{1}{2}}^3$$

$$\boxed{\frac{U_0^{n+1} - U_0^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{6}{\Delta r} \cdot \frac{U_{\frac{1}{2}}^n - U_0^n}{\Delta r}}$$

Tech 3 (Reformulation, Huang & Sloan, J. Comput. Phys. 1994)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}) & 0 < r < 1 \\ U(1, t) = g(t), \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(0, t) = 0 \\ u(r, 0) = u^0(r) \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{U_{\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} - U_0^{n+1}}{\Delta r} = 0$$

② Staggered mesh in space.

Advantages

① Standard discretization methods, such as FD, FE, and spectral methods, can ~~be applied~~ be applied without any increase in complexity.

② works well for nonlinear problems.

Q ① Which method is the best for time dependent problems?

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- ② How serious is the CFL condition if explicit schemes is used ?
- ③ If spectral method is used, is it possible to find a good FD preconditioner ?
- ④ Any better method ?
- ⑤ Higher Dimensional problems ?