

Conservations and Symmetries
§2.14 and §2.15

Symmetries:

A general parabolic equation may often appear in the self-adjoint form (divergence) form

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(p(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) \quad p(x,t) > 0$$

$$u(0,t) = 0, u(1,t) = 0$$

Self-adjoint operator:

$$L = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p(x,t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$Lu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(p(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)$$

define $(u, v) = \int_0^1 u(x,t) v(x,t) dx$

for u, v : $u(0,t) = 0 = u(1,t) = v(0,t) = v(1,t)$

if $(Lu, v) = (u, Lv)$ for any u and v ...

then L is called a self-adjoint operator.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad \frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left[p_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} \frac{u_{j+1}^{n+1} - u_j^{n+1}}{\Delta x} - p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} \frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_{j-1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} \right] \\ &\quad - \nu p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} \frac{u_{j-1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} + (1 + \nu p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} + \nu p_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1}) \frac{u_j^{n+1}}{\Delta x} - \nu p_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} \frac{u_{j+1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} \\ &= \frac{u_j^n}{\Delta x} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \text{tridiag}(-\nu p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1}, 1 + \nu p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1} + \nu p_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1}, \nu p_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+1})$$

Symmetric definite matrix,
Positive

$$(2) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = p(x,t) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + p'_x(x,t) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

non-symmetric coefficient matrix !

Conservations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0,t) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1,t) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^1 u(x,t) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} dx = 0$$

$$H(t) = \int_0^1 u(x,t) dx = \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \int_{x_j}^{x_{j+1}} u(x,t) dx$$

discrete analogue:

$$H_d(t_n) = \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \Delta x U_j^n$$

$$H_d(t_n) = \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \Delta x \cdot \frac{1}{2} (U_j^n + U_{j+1}^n)$$

$$H_d(t_0) = H_d(t_1) = \dots = H_d(t_n) ?$$