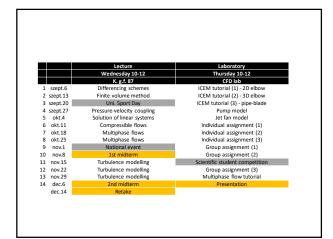
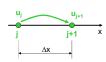
Numerical approximations of derivatives and integrals

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Finite difference method error and convergence We shall calculate the change of exact solution u(x) by integrating the derivative on section $x_{j_1-1}x_{j_2}=\Delta x$: A) from the initial derivative, B) from the terminal derivative, C) from midpoint derivative, The values of the approximate solution are: $u_{j+1,A}$, $u_{j+1,B}$, $u_{j+1,C}$ The approximation error $u_{j+1}u_{j+1,A}$ reduces with reduced interval size. Some schemes are better than the other...

Forward Differencing Scheme (FDS)



From the Taylor polynomial we can express a differencing scheme of first order accuracy:

$$u'_{j} = \frac{u_{j+1} - u_{j}}{\Delta x} + o(1)$$

Note that, the error term is one degree of magnitude higher.

Taylor polynomial of the exact solution from point j to point j+1:

$$u_{j+1} = u_j + u'_j \Delta x + u''_j \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} + \dots$$

$$u_{j+1} = u_j + u'_j \Delta x + o(\Delta x)$$

This is an integration scheme of first order accuracy.

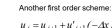
When the differential equation is given in the explicit form:

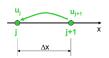
$$u'_{j} = f(u_{j}, x_{j})$$

we can integral step by step, by assuming:

$$u_{j+1} \cong u_j + f(u_j, x_j) \Delta x$$

Backward Differencing Scheme (BDS), implicit discretisation method





may end up with a more complicated expression for u_{j+1} . This kind of discretization is

$$F(u'_{j+1}, u_{j+1}, x_{j+1}) = 0$$

$$u_j = u_{j+1} + u'_{j+1}(-\Delta x) + o(\Delta x)$$
 from the backward Euler scheme we get:

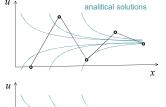
$$u'_{j+1} = \frac{u_{j+1} - u_j}{\Delta x} + o(1)$$

Now, we assume the differential equation is given in the following form:

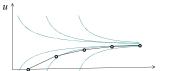
$$F(u',u,x)=0$$

Different behavior...

Physical processes lead to a temporal equilibrium in many cases.

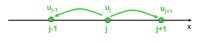


Explicit Euler method:



Implicit Euler method:

Central Differencing Scheme (CDS)



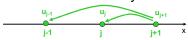
$$u_{j+1} = u_j + u'_j \Delta x + u''_j \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} + o(\Delta x^2)$$

$$u_{j-1} = u_j + u'_j (-\Delta x) + u''_j \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} + o(\Delta x^2)$$

$$u'_{j} = \frac{u_{j+1} - u_{j-1}}{2 \Delta x} + o(\Delta x)$$

Extensively used in CFD for spatial discretization.

An implicit differencing scheme with second order accuracy



$$u_j = u_{j+1} + u'_{j+1}(-\Delta x) + u''_{j+1}\frac{\Delta x^2}{2} + o(\Delta x^2)$$

$$u_{j-1} = u_{j+1} + u'_{j+1}(-2\Delta x) + u''_{j+1}2\Delta x^2 + o(\Delta x^2)$$

$$u_{j} - \frac{u_{j-1}}{4} = \frac{3}{4}u_{j+1} + \frac{u'_{j+1}}{2} \left(-\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right) + o(\Delta x^{2})$$

$$u'_{j+1} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}u_{j+1} - 2u_j + \frac{1}{2}u_{j-1}}{\Delta x} + o(\Delta x)$$

Can be used for discretizing the boundary layer equation.

Adams-Basforth scheme



$$\begin{split} u_{j+1} &= u_j + u'_j \, \Delta x + u''_j \, \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} + o(\Delta x^2) \\ \\ u'_{j-1} &= u'_j + u''_j \, (-\Delta x) + o(\Delta x) \qquad \bigg/ + ... \times \frac{\Delta x}{2} \end{split}$$

$$u_{j+1} = u_j + \frac{3}{2}u'_j \Delta x - \frac{1}{2}u'_{j-1} \Delta x + o(\Delta x^2)$$

An explicit integrating scheme with second order accuracy It is often used for integrating the Navier-Stoket equations.

A 2 step 2nd order explicit Runge-Kutta type scheme



1st step: Using the Euler method we can calculate approximate values: \widetilde{u}_i and \widetilde{u}^i

$$u_{j} = u_{j-1} + u'_{j-1} \Delta x + o(\Delta x) = \widetilde{u}_{j} + o(\Delta x)$$

$$u'_{j} = f(u_{j}, x_{j}) = f(\widetilde{u}_{j} + o(\Delta x), x_{j}) = \underbrace{f(\widetilde{u}_{j}, x_{j})}_{f(\widetilde{u}_{j}, x_{j})} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial u}|_{u_{j}, x_{j}}}_{u_{j}, x_{j}} \cdot o(\Delta x) = \widetilde{u}'_{j} + o(\Delta x)$$

2nd step:

Use CDS scheme around point j:

$$u_{j+1} = u_{j-1} + u'_{j} 2 \Delta x + o(\Delta x^{2}) = u_{j-1} + \widetilde{u}'_{j} 2 \Delta x + o(\Delta x^{2})$$

Can be used for calculating compressible flows (eg. Lax-Wendroff method).

Further important properties of numerical methods

- Consistency The discretization of a PDE should become exact as the mesh size tends to zero (truncation error should vanish)
- Stability Numerical errors which are generated during the solution of discretized equations should not be magnified
- 3. Convergence The numerical solution should approach the exact solution of the PDE and converge to it as the mesh size tends to
- 4. Conservation Underlying conservation laws should be respected at the discrete level (artificial sources/sinks are to be avoided)
- Boundedness Physical quantities like densities, temperatures, concentrations etc. should remain nonnegative and free of spurious wiggles

These properties must be verified for each (component of the) numerical scheme.

