

Exponential Finite Difference Method

This method first introduced by Bathacharya (1985) to the unstable state of one-dimensional thermal conductivity of the Cartesian coordinates, and then developed the method algorithm by Robert to solve the one-dimensional propagation equation in cylindrical coordinates . It was applied to two- and three-dimensional .

To derive this method we use eq.(1) and let $F(u)$ be a continuous function has derivative then multiply eq.(1) by $F'(u)$ we have

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = cF'(u) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = cF'(u) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{F(u_{i,j+1}) - F(u_{i,j})}{k} = cF'(u_{i,j}) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right)_{i,j}$$

$$F(u_{i,j+1}) = F(u_{i,j}) + ckF'(u_{i,j}) \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right)_{i,j}$$

Now let $F(u) = \ln(u)$

$$\begin{aligned} u_{i,j+1} &= u_{i,j} * e^{ck \frac{1}{u_{i,j}} \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right)_{i,j}} \\ &= u_{i,j} * e^{\frac{ck}{h^2} \left(\frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{u_{i,j}} \right)} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Notes:

- 1- The L.T.E. of this method is $O(k) + O(h^2)$.
- 2- The Exponential F.D.M. is unconditionally stable.

Chapter Four

Hyperbolic Partial Differential Equations of first order and second order

First order equation:

Consider the equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0, \quad x \geq 0, \quad t \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

Where a is a constant. The general solution of (1) is $u(x,t)=\Phi(x-at)$, where Φ is an arbitrary functions. The initial and boundary conditions are

$$u(x,0)=f(x)$$

$$u(0,t)=g(x)$$

Simple Explicit Method

The difference formulas used for $u_t(x, t)$ and $u_x(x, t)$ we have

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} + a \left(\frac{u_{i,j} - u_{i-1,j}}{h} \right) = 0$$

$$u_{i,j+1} = (1 - p)u_{i,j} + pu_{i-1,j} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Where } p = \frac{ak}{h}$$

Local Truncation Error of Simple Explicit Method:

$$\frac{v_{i,j+1} - v_{i,j}}{k} + a \left(\frac{v_{i,j} - v_{i-1,j}}{h} \right) = T_{i,j}$$

Where $v_{i,j}$ is the true solution of P.D.E.at the point $(x_i,t_j)=(ih,jk)$ and $T_{i,j}$ is the L.T.E. expand in a Taylor's series about the point (x_i,t_j) . we assume that sufficiently many derivatives of v exist.

$$v_{i,j+1} = v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + \dots$$

$$v_{i-1,j} = v - hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} - \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + \dots$$

Where everything on the right hand side is evaluation at (x_i,t_j)

$$T_{i,j} = v_t + \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + \dots + a\{v_x - \frac{1}{2}hv_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}h^2v_{xxx} - \dots\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} - \frac{1}{2}ahv_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + \frac{1}{6}ah^2v_{xxx} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}a(ak - h)v_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}a(h^2 - a^2k^2)v_{xxx} + \dots$$

If $p=1$ then $ak=h$ and the numerical solution is identical to the analytic solution. All coefficients in L.T.E. vanish in this case.

Numerical Stability:

We investigate the stability of this scheme using the Von Neumann criterion. Let $u_{i,j} = \vartheta(t)e^{i\alpha nh}$, from the explicit scheme we get

$$\frac{\vartheta(t+k)e^{i\alpha nh} - \vartheta(t)e^{i\alpha nh}}{k} + a \frac{\vartheta(t)e^{i\alpha nh} - \vartheta(t)e^{i\alpha(n-1)h}}{h^2} = 0$$

$$\vartheta(t+k) - \vartheta(t) + \frac{ak}{h}\vartheta(t) - \frac{ak}{h}\vartheta(t)e^{-i\alpha h} = 0$$

$$\frac{\vartheta(t+k)}{\vartheta(t)} = 1 - \frac{ak}{h}(1 - e^{-i\alpha h}) = \xi$$

The von Neumann stability condition is

$$\left| \frac{\vartheta(t+k)}{\vartheta(t)} \right| = |\xi| \leq 1$$

$$\iff |\xi| = |1 - p(1 - e^{-i\alpha h})|, \quad p = \frac{ak}{h}$$

$$\iff = |1 - p(1 - \cos\alpha h) - ip\sin\alpha h|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \iff |\xi|^2 &= 2p^2 + 1 - 2p^2\cos\alpha h - 2p + 2p\cos\alpha h \\ &= 2p^2(1 - \cos\alpha h) - 2p(1 - \cos\alpha h) + 1 \\ &= 2p(1-p)(1 - \cos\alpha h) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since $1 - \cos\alpha h \geq 0$, $\forall \alpha, h$. For $|\xi|^2 \leq 1$, we must have $p(p-1) < 0$

then $0 < p \leq 1$, therefore this method is stable provided $\frac{ak}{h} \leq 1 \rightarrow k \leq \frac{h}{a}$.

Crank-Nicholson method

In this method we use the following approximation to u_x at the point (x_i, t_j)

$$u_x = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i-1,j}}{2h} + \frac{u_{i+1,j+1} - u_{i-1,j+1}}{2h} \right)$$

therefore the Crank-Nicolson method for solving eq.(1) is

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} = \frac{a}{4h} (u_{i+1,j} - u_{i-1,j} + u_{i+1,j+1} - u_{i-1,j+1}) \quad (3)$$

If we solve the problem in the region $\{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, t \geq 0\}$ then we have N linear equations for $N+1$ unknowns at the $(j+1)$ time step.

Note: To find L.T.E. we expand in a Taylor's series about the mid-point of the point $(x_i, t_j + \frac{1}{2}k)$. The Von Neumann shows that there is unconditionally stable.

Second order equation:

Consider the wave equation

$$u_{tt}(x, t) = c^2 u_{xx}(x, t) \quad (4)$$

for $0 < x < a$ and $t > 0$, with the initial condition
 $u(x, 0) = f(x)$ for $t = 0$ and $u_t|_{(x,0)} = g(x)$

and the boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} u(0, t) &= g_1(t) \quad \text{for } x = 0 \text{ and } t > 0 \\ u(a, t) &= g_2(t) \quad \text{for } x = a \text{ and } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Explicit method:

Let us consider a simple hyperbolic partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \quad t > 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq l, \quad c=1 \quad (5)$$

with the initial condition

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) \quad \text{and} \quad u_t|_{(x,0)} = g(x) \quad \text{for } t = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq l$$

and the boundary conditions

$$u(0, t) = g_1(t), \quad u(l, t) = g_2(t), \quad t > 0$$

the central difference approximation for eq.(5) is

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{k^2} = \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{h^2}$$

$$u_{i,j+1} = -u_{i,j-1} + 2u_{i,j} + p(u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}) \quad \text{where } p = \frac{k^2}{h^2}$$

$$= -u_{i,j-1} + 2(1-p)u_{i,j} + p(u_{i+1,j} + u_{i-1,j}) \quad (6)$$

Now $u_t = g(x)$ then

$$\frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{k} = g(x)$$

$$u_{i,j+1} = u_{i,j} + kg(x) \quad \text{at } t = 0$$

$$\text{For } t=0 \text{ i.e. } j=1 \longrightarrow u_{i,2} = u_{i,1} + kg(x) \quad (7)$$

and we have from the I.C.

$$u = f(x) \quad \text{at } t=0$$

$$u_{i,j} = f(x) \quad \text{at } t = 0$$

$$u_{i,1} = f(x) \quad \text{at } t = 0 \quad (8)$$

Combining eq. (7) and eq.(8) we have

$$u_{i,2} = f(x) + kg(x) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Also } u_{1,j} = g_1(t), \quad u_{n,j} = g_2(t)$$

Local Truncation Error

Let $v_{i,j}$ is the true solution of the wave equation at the point $(x_i, t_j) = (ih, jk)$ and from eq.(5) we have

$$\frac{v_{i,j+1} - 2v_{i,j} + v_{i,j-1}}{k^2} = v_{tt} + \frac{k^2}{12} v_{4t} + \dots$$

$$\frac{v_{i+1,j} - 2v_{i,j} + v_{i-1,j}}{h^2} = v_{xx} + \frac{h^2}{12} v_{4x} + \dots$$

Now

$$T_{i,j} = v_{tt} + \frac{k^2}{12} v_{4t} + \dots - (v_{xx} + \frac{h^2}{12} v_{4x} + \dots)$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{12} v_{4t} + \dots - \frac{h^2}{12} v_{4x} - \dots = O(k^2) + O(h^2)$$