

3.3 Matrix Stability Analysis

Used to analyze more general linear problems

Recall that $\boxed{U_j^{n+1} = r U_{j-1}^n + (1-2r) U_j^n + r U_{j+1}^n}$

FT-CS for heat conduction IBVP with
B.C.: $U(0,t) = U(1,t) = 0$, for all t .

The matrix form of this numerical scheme is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_1^{n+1} \\ U_2^{n+1} \\ \vdots \\ U_J^{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1-2r & r & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ r & 1-2r & r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & r & 1-2r & r & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & r & 1-2r & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_1^n \\ U_2^n \\ \vdots \\ U_{J-1}^n \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.0)$$

or briefly $\boxed{\vec{U}^{n+1} = L_\Delta \vec{U}^n}$ (1.1) $r = \sigma \Delta t / \Delta x^2$
 \hookrightarrow constant.

We will consider numerical schemes represented by (1.1)

If as in FT-CS for Heat cond. L_Δ is indep. of time level n , after iteration we obtain

$$\vec{U}^n = (L_\Delta)^n \vec{U}^0$$

Taking norm

$$\|\vec{U}^n\| = \|(L_\Delta)^n \vec{U}^0\| \leq \|L_\Delta^n\| \|\vec{U}^0\|$$

According to our definition of stability (1.1) is stable if and only if there exists C (constant) such that

$$\|(L_\Delta)^n\| \leq C, \quad n \rightarrow \infty \quad \begin{matrix} \Delta x \rightarrow 0 \\ \Delta t \rightarrow 0, \quad n\Delta t \leq T. \end{matrix}$$

Recall, that for a matrix

$$A = (a_{ij})$$

$$\|A\|_\infty = \max_i \sum_j |a_{ij}|$$

For FT-CS Heat cond.

$$\|L_\Delta\|_\infty = |r| + |1-2r| + |r| = r + |1-2r| + r$$

$$\text{if } r \leq 1/2 \Rightarrow \|L_\Delta\|_\infty = 1$$

and as a consequence

$$\|\vec{U}^n\| \leq \|\vec{U}^0\|,$$

which proves that this scheme is stable in the max norm.

In general, for linear difference schemes

as (1.1), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 3.3.2. A sufficient condition for stability of the linear finite difference scheme (1.1) is that there exists a constant C , independent of Δx and Δt , such that

$$\|L_{\Delta}\| \leq 1 + C\Delta t. \quad * (3.1)$$

Proof - Assuming L_{Δ} is independent of n

$$\|\tilde{U}^n\| \leq \|L_{\Delta}^n\| \|\tilde{U}^0\| \leq \|L_{\Delta}\|^n \|\tilde{U}^0\|$$

Then using (3.1)

$$\|\tilde{U}^n\| \leq (1 + C\Delta t)^n \|\tilde{U}^0\| \leq e^{Cn\Delta t} \|\tilde{U}^0\|$$

(using that $1+z \leq e^z$)

If we define T as the max. time in the computation, then $n\Delta t \leq T$ and

$$\|\tilde{U}^n\| \leq \underbrace{e^{CT}}_C \|\tilde{U}^0\|$$

(Stability constant)

Applications:

Example 3.3.2. - Consider the finite difference scheme

$$U_j^{n+1} = C_{-1} U_{j-1}^n + C_1 U_{j+1}^n \quad j=0,1,\dots,J-1 \quad (4.1)$$

with periodic initial condition. Period = J

Lax - Friedrichs is a particular case of (4.1) with

$$C_{-1} = \frac{1+\alpha}{2}, \quad C_1 = \frac{1-\alpha}{2}$$

Clearly, (4.1) can be written as

$$\vec{U}^{n+1} = L_\Delta \vec{U}^n \quad \text{periodicity}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_0^{n+1} &= C_{-1} U_{J-1}^n + C_1 U_1^n \\
 U_1^{n+1} &= C_{-1} U_0^n + C_1 U_2^n \\
 &\vdots \\
 U_{J-1}^{n+1} &= C_{-1} U_{J-2}^n + C_1 U_J^n = C_{-1} U_{J-2}^n + C_1 U_0^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

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$$L_{\Delta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & c_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & c_1 \\ c_1 & 0 & c_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & c_{-1} & 0 & c_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & c_{-1} & 0 & \dots & c_1 \\ c_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & c_{-1} & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{U}^n = \begin{pmatrix} U_0^n \\ U_1^n \\ \vdots \\ U_{j-1}^n \end{pmatrix}$$

If $|c_{-1}| + |c_1| \leq 1$, then $\|L_{\Delta}\|_{\infty} \leq 1$
 Thus, (4.1) is stable in the max norm. when

$$\left| \frac{1+d}{2} \right| + \left| \frac{1-d}{2} \right| \leq 1$$

or $\frac{1}{2} (|1+d| + |1-d|) \leq 1$, which is true if $|d| \leq 1$

This stability result was obtained before by applying the max pple.

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Lax-Wendroff. scheme for

$$u_t + a u_x = 0$$

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \Delta t (u_t)_j^n + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} (u_{tt})_j^n + \frac{\Delta t^3}{3!} (u_{ttt})_j^n + \dots$$

Using the equ. $u_t = -a u_x$

$$u_{tt} = -a u_{xt} = -a (u_t)_x = -a (-a u_x)_x = a^2 u_{xx}$$

Subst. in the Taylor expansion

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \Delta t (-a u_x)_j^n + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} (a^2 u_{xx})_j^n + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3)$$

$$= u_j^n - a \Delta t (u_x)_j^n + \frac{a^2 \Delta t^2}{2} (u_{xx})_j^n + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3)$$

$$= u_j^n - a \frac{\Delta t}{2 \Delta x} (u_{j+1}^n - u_{j-1}^n) + \frac{a^2 \Delta t^2}{2 \Delta x^2} (u_{j+1}^n - 2u_j^n + u_{j-1}^n) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow U_j^{n+1} = U_j^n - \frac{\alpha}{2} (U_{j+1}^n - U_{j-1}^n) + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} (U_{j+1}^n - 2U_j^n + U_{j-1}^n)$$

$$U_j^{n+1} = \frac{\alpha + \alpha^2}{2} U_{j-1}^n + (1 - \alpha^2) U_j^n + \frac{\alpha^2 - \alpha}{2} U_{j+1}^n \quad (6.1)$$

local error $\mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$
check this!

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Max pple. criteria does not apply for L-W scheme

Since,

$$\text{if } 0 < \alpha < 1, \quad \frac{\alpha^2 - \alpha}{2} < 0$$

$$\text{if } |\alpha| > 1, \quad 1 - \alpha^2 < 0$$

$$\text{if } -1 < \alpha < 0, \quad \frac{\alpha + \alpha^2}{2} < 0$$

To prove stability of (6.1), we will use Euclidean or l_2 -norm. and will try to satisfy the stability condition directly.

The procedure is as follows:

① Square (6.1)

$$(v_j^{n+1})^2 = \left[\frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{2} v_{j-1}^n + (1-\alpha^2) v_j^n + \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)}{2} v_{j+1}^n \right]^2 \quad (7.1)$$

② Assume $|\alpha| \leq 1$ and add

$$\frac{\alpha^2(1-\alpha^2)}{4} [v_{j-1}^n - 2v_j^n + v_{j+1}^n]^2 \geq 0$$

③ then

$$(v_j^{n+1})^2 \leq \text{rhs (7.1)} + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\alpha^2)}{4} [\quad]^2$$

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④ Some terms will cancel (show my notes).

⑤ Sum over a period and get

$$\sum_{j=0}^{J-1} (v_j^{n+1})^2 \leq \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \left[\frac{\alpha^2(1+\alpha)}{2} (v_{j-1}^n)^2 + (1-\alpha^2) (v_j^n)^2 + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\alpha)}{2} (v_{j+1}^n)^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha^2) (v_{j+1}^n v_j^n - v_j^n v_{j-1}^n) \right] \quad (8.1)$$

⑥ Reindex the summation and use periodicity: $v_{-1}^n = v_{j-1}^n$
 $v_0^n = v_j^n$.

then (8.1) simplifies to

$$\sum_{j=0}^{J-1} (v_j^{n+1})^2 \leq \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \left[\frac{\alpha^2(1+\alpha)}{2} + (1-\alpha^2) + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\alpha)}{2} \right] (v_j^n)^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} (v_j^n)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\vec{v}^{n+1}\|_2 \leq \|\vec{v}^n\|_2 \quad \text{if } |\alpha| \leq 1$$

Courant, Friedrichs, Levy
Condition.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\alpha^2 (1+\alpha)^2}{4} (U_{j-1}^n)^2 + \frac{\alpha^2 (1-\alpha^2)}{4} (U_{j-1}^n)^2 = \frac{\alpha^2 (1+\alpha)}{2} (U_{j-1}^n)^2 \\
& + (1-\alpha^2)^2 (U_j^n)^2 + \alpha^2 (1-\alpha^2) (U_j^n)^2 \\
& + \frac{\alpha^2 (\alpha-1)^2}{4} (U_{j+1}^n)^2 + \frac{\alpha^2 (1-\alpha^2)}{4} (U_{j+1}^n)^2 \\
& + \alpha (\alpha+1) (1-\alpha^2) U_{j-1}^n U_j^n \\
& + \frac{\alpha^2 (\alpha+1) (\alpha-1)}{2} U_{j-1}^n U_{j+1}^n + \frac{\alpha^2 (1-\alpha^2)}{2} U_{j-1}^n U_{j+1}^n = 0 \\
& + \frac{\alpha (\alpha-1) (1-\alpha^2)}{2} U_{j+1}^n U_j^n
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \alpha^2 (1+\alpha) [(1+\alpha) + (1-\alpha)] = \frac{\alpha^2 (1+\alpha)}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
[U_{j-1}^n - 2U_j^n + U_{j+1}^n]^2 &= (U_{j-1}^n)^2 + 4(U_j^n)^2 + (U_{j+1}^n)^2 \\
&+ 2U_{j-1}^n U_{j+1}^n - 4U_{j-1}^n U_j^n - 4U_j^n U_{j+1}^n
\end{aligned}$$