

Integration of Higher Order Compact Scheme into Multigrid

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Outline

- Introduction to the physics of the problem
- VERY brief introduction to the mathematics of the problem
- Results
- Conclusion
- Outlook

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Particle properties: position, velocity and charge



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Like always, several approaches exist!

Particle-Particle Methods



Particle-Mesh Methods



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General view





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Meshed Continuum Method

- Unlike other PP-PM methods the current approach uses a continuum description: not assigning point charges to the grid but replace the point charges by charge distribution
- Do not introduce additional discretization errors


Solution

• Replace δ distribution on right hand side by

$$\rho_g = g(\|x\|_2)$$

with the properties:

- $g:\mathbb{R}^+_0 \to \mathbb{R}^+_0$
- g is sufficiently smooth
- $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_g(x) = 1$
- solution Φ_g of $-\Delta \Phi_g(x) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho_g(x)$ is known analytically
- g must have a limited support, i.e.

$$g(x) = 0$$
 for $x > R$



Point symmetric densities described by B-splines

Definition

A B-spline B_i , i = 0, 1, ... of unit width is given by

$$B_0 = \begin{cases} 1, & -\frac{1}{2} \le x \le \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

 $B_{i+1}(x) = 2B_{[i/2]}(2x) * 2B_{i/2}(2x)$, for i = 1, 2...



"Simple" example:

4th order B-spline

$$\rho_{B_4}(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{27 \cdot (81 \cdot r^4 - 54 \cdot r^2 \cdot R^2 + 11 \cdot R^4)}{32 \cdot R^7} & r \leq \frac{R}{3} \\ \frac{27 \cdot (-9 \cdot r^2 + 6 \cdot r \cdot R + R^2)(27 \cdot r^2 - 42 \cdot r \cdot R + 17 \cdot R^2)}{64 \cdot \pi \cdot R^7} & r \leq \frac{2R}{3} \\ \frac{2187 \cdot (r - R)^4}{64 \cdot \pi R^7} & r \leq R \end{cases}$$

Remark

The analytical solution for the potential energy is known



Back to 3D Poisson equation

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = f$$
$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z}$$

How to implement the Laplacian on the computer?

Answer: Finite differences



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Example

The second order derivative

$$f'' = \frac{f(x-h) - 2f(x) + f(x+h)}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Higher order approximations can be constructed by using more grid points, e.g. not only x - h, x and x + h, but x - 2h, x + 2h,...



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Very short introduction to Multigrid





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$$\Delta u(ec{x}) = rac{1}{h^2} [u(ec{x} - hec{e}_1) + u(ec{x} - hec{e}_2) - 4u(ec{x}) + u(ec{x} + hec{e}_1) + u(ec{x} + hec{e}_2)] + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Stencil notation

$$\frac{1}{h^2} \left[\begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

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Stencil representation

2nd order





Simplifying the things...

- $u_{i,j,k} \equiv$ value of u at grid point $\vec{x}_{i,j,k}$
- $f_{i,j,k} \equiv$ value of f at grid point $\vec{x}_{i,j,k}$
- $\partial_{x_1}^2 u_{i,j,k}$ being the central finite difference approximation to the second partial derivative in *x*-direction

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4th order compact scheme

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4th order





Higher order compact discretization

6th order compact scheme

$$\begin{split} [\partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2 + \partial_{x_3}^2 + \frac{h^2}{6} (\partial_{x_1}^2 \partial_{x_2}^2 + \partial_{x_1}^2 \partial_{x_3}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2 \partial_{x_3}^2) + \\ & \frac{h^4}{30} \partial_{x_1}^2 \partial_{x_2}^2 \partial_{x_3}^2] \Phi_{i,j,k} = \\ f_{i,j,k} + \frac{h^2}{12} \nabla^2 f_{i,j,k} + \frac{h^4}{360} \nabla^4 f_{i,j,k} + \\ & \frac{h^4}{180} [\frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial x_1^2 \partial x_2^2} + \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial x_2^2 \partial x_3^2} + \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial x_1^2 \partial x_3^2}] + \mathcal{O}(h^6) \end{split}$$



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Right hand side of Poisson equation in our case

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Results



Log -log plot of errors for different solvers



Conclusions

What I had to do...and what I have done

- implement the 6th order compact scheme into the PP3MG code
- the result is not as expected; possible cause: the 4th order B spline is not enough "smooth" when applying the 6th order operators
- measurements of time spent in "creating" the left and right hand sides of Poisson equation were done but they were not concludent



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Before... in Experimental Physics



Subject-project interaction diagram



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