


Numerical Method for the Homogeneous Boltzman Equation:

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 (1) Finite Difference $\frac{\partial_t f \approx \frac{f^{n+1} - f^n}{\Delta t}}$

 (2) Finite Element 

 (3) Spectral Method

"Fourier"

1. Main idea of spectral Method. $\{1, \cos x, \sin x, \cos 2x, \dots\}$

$$u \in L^2[0, 2\pi] \Rightarrow F[u] = \hat{a}_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{a}_n \cos nx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{b}_n \sin nx.$$

where the expansion coefficients are

$$\hat{a}_n = \frac{1}{n\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x) \cos(nx) dx \quad \hat{b}_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x) \sin(nx) dx$$

with the value $c_n = \begin{cases} 2, & n=0 \\ 1, & n>0 \end{cases}$

$$F[u] = \sum_{|n| \leq \infty} \hat{u}_n e^{inx}$$

where

$$\hat{u}_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x) e^{-inx} dx = \begin{cases} \hat{a}_0, & n=0 \\ \frac{\hat{a}_n - i\hat{b}_n}{2}, & n>0 \\ \frac{\hat{a}_n + i\hat{b}_n}{2}, & n<0. \end{cases}$$

Remark: (1) $u(x)$ is real-valued, $\hat{u}_n = \overline{\hat{u}_n}$

(2) $u(x)$ is real and even, " $u(x) = u(-x)$ ", then $\hat{b}_n = 0$

(3) $u(x)$ is real and odd, " $u(x) = -u(-x)$ ", then $\hat{a}_n = 0$.

? whether the truncated series has some "good" property?

$$P_N u(x) = \sum_{|n| \leq N/2} \hat{u}_n e^{inx}$$

is projection to a finite-dimensional space

$$P_N = \text{span} \{ e^{inx} \mid |n| \leq N/2 \} \quad \text{Dim}(P_N) = N+1$$

Theorem: If the sum of squares of Fourier coefficients is bounded $\sum_{|n| \leq \infty} |\hat{u}_n|^2 < \infty$.

Then, the truncated series converges in the L^2 norm:

$$\|u - P_N u\|_{L^2[0, 2\pi]} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

If, moreover, the sum of absolute values of the Fourier coefficients is bounded $\sum_{|n| \leq \infty} |\hat{u}_n| < \infty$,

Then, the truncated series converges uniformly,

$$\|u - P_N u\|_{L^\infty[0, 2\pi]} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

? How about the Differentiation of continuous expansion?

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{\partial P_N u}{\partial t}$$

$P_N u(x) = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} \hat{u}_n e^{ins}$, we can obtain

$$\frac{d^q}{dx^q} P_N u(x) = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} \hat{u}_n \frac{d^q}{dx^q} e^{ins} = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} (in)^q \hat{u}_n e^{ins} = P_N \frac{d^q}{dx^q} u$$

\Rightarrow Projection and Differentiation operator commute.

$$\stackrel{u(t,x)}{\Rightarrow} \boxed{u_t = Lu} \Rightarrow \underline{P_N u_t = P_N Lu = L P_N u} \quad \left(\Leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} P_N u \\ u \end{matrix} \right)$$

Example 1:
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u(t,x)}{\partial t} = Lu(t,x), & t \geq 0, x \in [0, 2\pi] \\ u(t=0, x) = g(x) \end{cases} \quad \|u_N - u\|_X$$

We seek $u_N(t, x)$ from the $P_N \subset \text{span}\{e^{ins}\}_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}}$.

$$\underline{u_N(t, x)} = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} \underline{a_n(t)} e^{ins} \quad \checkmark \leftarrow$$

where $\{a_n(t)\}$ will be determined by the requirement that

the residual $\underline{R_N(t, x)} = \frac{\partial u_N(t, x)}{\partial t} - Lu_N(t, x)$ is orthogonal to P_N "small"

$$\int_{P_N} R_N(t, x) e^{ins} dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |K(t, x)| = \sum_{|n| \leq N} R_n e^{inx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{R}_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} R_N(t, x) e^{-inx} dx = 0, \quad \forall |n| \leq \frac{N}{2}$$

\Rightarrow "N+1 ODE to determine (N+1) $a_n(t)$ "

$$\begin{cases} u_N(t=0, x) = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} a_n(0) e^{inx} \\ a_n(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-1}^1 q(x) e^{-inx} dx \end{cases}$$

Example 2:
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial t} = c \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} + \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 u(t, x)}{\partial x^2} \\ u(t=0, x) = u_0(x) \in C^\infty([0, 2\pi]) \end{cases}$$

We seek $u_N(t, x) = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} a_n(t) e^{inx}$

$$\Rightarrow R_N(t, x) = \frac{\partial u_N(t, x)}{\partial t} - c \frac{\partial u_N(t, x)}{\partial x} - \varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 u_N(t, x)}{\partial x^2}$$

orthogonal to $\mathbb{P}_N = \text{span}\{e^{inx}\}_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}}$

Recall that $\frac{\partial u_N(t, x)}{\partial x} = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} (in) a_n(t) e^{inx}$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{R}_n(t) = \sum_{|n| \leq \frac{N}{2}} \left(\frac{da_n(t)}{dt} - c(in) a_n(t) + \varepsilon n^2 a_n(t) \right) e^{inx}$$

Project R_N to \mathbb{P}_N

$$\frac{da_n(t)}{dt} = (c(in) - \varepsilon n^2) a_n(t), \quad \forall |n| \leq \frac{N}{2}$$

2. Apply ^{Fourier} spectral Method to Boltzmann Equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f(t, v)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{Q}(f, f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{S^2} \underbrace{B(v-v_*, \sigma)}_{b(\sigma) \langle v-v_* \rangle} (f_*' f' - f_* f) d\sigma dv_* \\ f(t=0, v) = f_0(v) \end{cases}$$

Goal: seek $f_N(v) = \sum_{k=-N}^N \hat{f}_k(t) e^{ik \cdot v}$

$v \in \mathbb{R}^3$
computation domain

Step I: Preparation $q = v - v_*$

$$\mathcal{Q}(f, f)(v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{S^2} B(q, \sigma) [f(v+q^+) f(v+q^-) - f(v) f(v+q)] d\sigma dq$$

where $\begin{cases} q^+ = \frac{1}{2}(q + |q|\sigma) \\ q^- = \frac{1}{2}(q - |q|\sigma) \end{cases}$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} Q(f, f)(v) \phi(v) dv = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{S^2} B(|q|, \sigma) f(v) f(v+q) [\phi(v+q^+) - \phi(v)] dq d\sigma dv$$

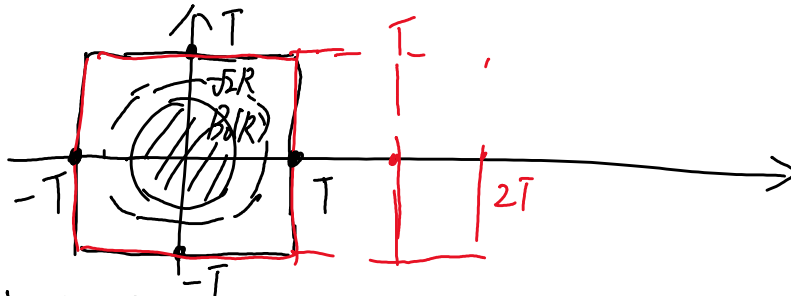
Step II: Periodization and choice of Integration Domain.

Proposition: let $\text{supp}(f(v)) \subset B_0(R)$. Then

(i) $\text{supp}(Q(f, f)(v)) \subset B_0(\sqrt{2}R)$

(ii) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \underline{Q^R(f, f)} \phi(v) dv = \int_{B_0(\sqrt{2}R)} \int_{B_0(2R)} \int_{S^2} B(|q|, \sigma) \underline{f(v)} \underline{f(v+q)} [\phi(v+q^+) - \phi(v)] dq d\sigma dv$

Sketch: $\begin{cases} |v'|^2 \leq v^2 + v_*^2 \leq 2R^2 \\ |v_*'|^2 \leq v^2 + v_*^2 \leq 2R^2 \end{cases}, \quad \begin{cases} |q| \leq 2R \\ \text{circles} \\ \text{cube} \end{cases}$



Restrict $f(v)$ on the cube $[-T, T]^3$ with $T \geq (3 + \sqrt{2})R$.
 $\begin{cases} f(v) = 0 \text{ on } [-T, T]^3 \setminus B_0(R) \\ f(v) \neq 0 \text{ on } B_0(R) \end{cases}$
 Avoid Aliasing error.

Step 3: Spectral projection of the Collision operator.

$$\begin{cases} \hat{f}_N(v) = \sum_{k=-N}^N \hat{f}_k e^{ik \cdot v}, \quad k = (k_1, k_2, k_3) \in \mathbb{Z}^3 \\ \hat{f}_k = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{[-\pi, \pi]^3} f(v) e^{-ik \cdot v} dv, \quad \begin{cases} T = \pi \\ R = \lambda \pi, \lambda = \frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{2} \end{cases} \\ \hat{Q}_k = \int_{[-\pi, \pi]^3} \underline{Q^R(f_N, f_N)} e^{-ik \cdot v} dv, \quad k = -N, \dots, 0, \dots, N. \end{cases}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{l, m = -N \\ l+m=k}}^N \hat{f}_l \hat{f}_m \hat{\beta}(l, m)$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{f}_k}{\partial t} = \hat{Q}_k = \sum \hat{f}_l \hat{f}_m \hat{\beta}(l, m)$$

where the Boltzman kernel modes $\hat{\beta}(l, m) = \hat{B}(l, m) - \hat{B}(m, m)$

$$\hat{B}(l, m) = \int_{B_0(2\lambda\pi)} \int_{S^2} B(\varrho, \cos\theta) e^{-i(l\varrho + m\cdot\varrho)} d\sigma d\varrho$$

Remark: (i) $\hat{B}(l, m) = \hat{B}(-l, m) = \overline{\hat{B}(l, -m)} = \hat{B}(l, -m)$

(ii) They depend only on $|l-m|$, $|l+m|$, and the angle between $(l+m)$ and $(l-m)$

(iii) For some special collisional kernel, $\hat{B}(l, m)$ can be further simplified

$$\text{VHS: } B(\varrho, \sigma) = C_r |\varrho|^\nu$$

$$\hat{B}(l, m) = \int_0^1 r^{2+\nu} \text{sinc}(zr) \text{sinc}(\eta r) dr := F_\nu(z, \eta)$$

where $z = |l+m|\lambda\pi$, $\eta = |l-m|\lambda\pi$.

In particular,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nu=0, \text{ Maxwell molecule, } F_0(z, \eta) = \frac{p \sin(\varrho) - q \sin(p)}{2z\eta pq} \\ \nu=1, \text{ Hard-sphere, } F_1(z, \eta) = \frac{q \sin(\varrho) + \cos(\varrho)}{2z\eta q^2} - \frac{p \sin(p) + \cos(p)}{2z\eta p^2} \end{array} \right.$$

where $p = (z+\eta)$, $q = (z-\eta)$.

$$\Rightarrow \hat{Q}_k = \sum_{m=-N}^N \hat{f}_{k-m} \hat{f}_m \hat{\beta}(k-m, m)$$

Step IV: let Residual be L^2 -orthogonal to element in \mathbb{P}_N

$$\int_{[-\pi, \pi]^3} \left(\frac{\partial f_N}{\partial t} - Q^R(f_N, f_N) \right) e^{-ik \cdot v} dv = 0, \quad k = -N, \dots, N$$

to obtain the ODE system by the Fourier coefficients \hat{f}_k

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{f}_k}{\partial t} = \hat{Q}_k = \sum_{m=-N}^N \hat{f}_{k-m} \hat{f}_m \hat{\beta}(k-m, m), \quad k = -N, \dots, N$$

Proposition: Let $f \in L^2([- \pi, \pi]^3)$, $\begin{pmatrix} p \\ p_u \\ p_e \end{pmatrix} := \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f \left(\frac{1}{v} \right) dv$

Then we have the following properties for $\boxed{\begin{matrix} f \\ f_N \end{matrix}}$

$$(i) \begin{pmatrix} p_N \\ p_{u_N} \\ p_{e_N} \end{pmatrix} := \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f_N \left(\frac{1}{v} \right) dv = \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f \left(\frac{1}{v_N} \right) dv$$

$\rightarrow p_N v$
 $\rightarrow p_N v^2$

$$= \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f_N \left(\frac{1}{v_N} \right) dv = (2\pi)^3 \sum_{k=-N}^N \hat{f}_k \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{k0} \\ \hat{v}_k \\ (\hat{v}_k)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ii) \left. \begin{aligned} \boxed{p = p_N}, \quad |p_u - p_{u_N}| &\leq \frac{C_1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}} \|f\|_{L^2}, \\ |p_e - p_{e_N}| &\leq \frac{C_2}{N^{\frac{3}{2}}} \|f\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Conserved} \\ \text{Spectral} \\ \text{Method.} \end{array}$$

Sketch of Proof: Mass conservation

$$\underline{p_N(t)} = (2\pi)^3 \sum_{k=-N}^N \hat{f}_k \delta_{k0} = (2\pi)^3 \hat{f}_0 = (2\pi)^3 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f e^{i k \cdot v} dv \Big|_{k=0}$$

$$= \int_{[- \pi, \pi]^3} f dv$$

$$\frac{\partial \int f \cdot 1 dv}{\partial t} = \int Q^R(f, f) \cdot \underline{1} dv = \underline{p(t)} \quad (\text{"1" is } \odot)$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p(t) = p(0)$$

