

Computer algebra aided generation of a mimetic difference scheme for 3D steady Stokes flow

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In paper [1] two of us suggested an algorithmic approach to generation of finite difference schemes for polynomial nonlinear differential equations on regular grids and applied it in [2] to generation of difference schemes for 2D incompressible Navier-Stokes equations. Then, in [3, 4] the novel concept of s(trong)-consistency which strengthens the universally adopted concept of consistency for difference schemes was introduced and in [5, 6, 7] for 2D incompressible Navier-Stokes equations it was shown that s-consistent schemes have better numerical behavior than the s-inconsistent ones. In addition, in [8] and [9] for steady 2D and 3D Stokes flow, respectively, it was demonstrated that the concept of s-consistency plays the key role in construction of the modified equation.

In the present talk we consider algorithmic issues of computer algebra aided generation of a mimetic difference scheme for the governing system of linear partial differential equations for steady Stokes flow whose involutive form is given by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F^{(1)} := u_x + v_y + w_z = 0, \\ F^{(2)} := p_x - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} (u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz}) - f^{(1)} = 0, \\ F^{(3)} := p_y - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} (v_{xx} + v_{yy} + v_{zz}) - f^{(2)} = 0, \\ F^{(4)} := p_z - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} (w_{xx} + w_{yy} + w_{zz}) - f^{(3)} = 0, \\ F^{(5)} := p_{xx} + p_{yy} + p_{zz} - f_x^{(1)} - f_y^{(2)} - f_z^{(3)} = 0. \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

where x, y, z are the independent variables; the velocities u, v and w , the pressure p , and the external forces $f^{(1)}, f^{(2)}$ and $f^{(3)}$ are the dependent variables; the constant Re is the Reynolds number and $\Delta := \partial_{xx} + \partial_{yy} + \partial_{zz}$ is the Laplace operator. The equation $F^{(5)} = 0$ is integrability condition to Eqs. $\{F^{(i)} = 0 \mid 1 \leq i \leq 4\}$ called the pressure Poisson equation.

The system (1) possesses the permutational symmetry

$$\{x, u, f^{(1)}\} \longleftrightarrow \{y, v, f^{(2)}\} \longleftrightarrow \{z, w, f^{(3)}\}. \quad (2)$$

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To preserve this symmetry at the discrete level we consider the Cartesian grid with the spacing h and apply the method of paper [1] to construct a difference scheme for (1) which is symmetric under permutation (2), strongly consistent and conservative. The s-consistency means inheritance by the scheme such important algebraic property of (1) as vanishing of any element in the differential ideal generated by the polynomials in (1) on any common solution to these equations. This means that for the difference scheme any element of the difference ideal generated by the polynomials in the scheme approximates a polynomial in the differential ideal. Besides, we want to have the scheme to be conservative, i.e. having the conservation law properties inherent in (1).

The procedure of the scheme generation described in paper [9] yields the following results

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{F}^{(1)} := \frac{u_{j+2, k+1, l+1} - u_{j, k+1, l+1}}{2h} + \frac{v_{j+1, k+2, l+1} - v_{j+1, k, l+1}}{2h} \\ \quad + \frac{w_{j+1, k+1, l+2} - v_{j+1, k+1, l}}{2h} = 0, \\ \tilde{F}^{(2)} := \frac{p_{j+2, k+1, l+1} - p_{j, k+1, l+1}}{2h} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta_1 (u_{j, k, l}) - f_{j+1, k+1, l+1}^{(1)} = 0, \\ \tilde{F}^{(3)} := \frac{p_{j+1, k+2, l+1} - p_{j+1, k, l+1}}{2h} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta_1 (v_{j, k, l}) - f_{j+1, k+1, l+1}^{(2)} = 0, \\ \tilde{F}^{(4)} := \frac{p_{j+1, k+1, l+2} - p_{j+1, k+1, l}}{2h} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \Delta_1 (w_{j, k, l}) - f_{j+1, k+1, l+1}^{(3)} = 0, \\ \tilde{F}^{(5)} := -\frac{f_{j+3, k+2, l+2}^{(1)} - f_{j+1, k+2, l+2}^{(1)}}{2h} - \frac{f_{j+2, k+3, l+2}^{(2)} - f_{j+2, k+1, l+2}^{(2)}}{2h} \\ \quad - \frac{f_{j+2, k+2, l+3}^{(3)} - f_{j+2, k+2, l+1}^{(3)}}{2h} + \Delta_2 (p_{j, k, l}) = 0, \end{array} \right.$$

where where Δ_1 and Δ_2 are finite difference discretizations of the Laplace operator acting on a grid function $g_{j, k, l}$ as

$$\Delta_1 (g_{j, k, l}) := \frac{g_{j+2, k+1, l+1} + g_{j+1, k+2, l+1} + g_{j+1, k+1, l+2} - 6g_{j+1, k+1, l+1}}{h^2} \\ + \frac{g_{j+1, k, l+1} + g_{j, k+1, l+1} + g_{j+1, k+1, l}}{h^2},$$

$$\Delta_2 (g_{j, k, l}) := \frac{g_{j+4, k+2, l+2} + g_{j+2, k+4, l+2} + g_{j+2, k+2, l+4} - 6g_{j+2, k+2, l+2}}{4h^2} \\ + \frac{g_{j+2, k, l+2} + g_{j, k+2, l+2} + g_{j+2, k+2, l}}{4h^2}.$$

Note, that the replaces Δ_2 with Δ_1 preserves consistency of the scheme but violate its s-consistency. Based on the s-consistent scheme one can compute its modified equation [9] which allows to analyze the order of accuracy of the scheme. The obtained scheme is of the second order.

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