

Lecture 10: Fluxes and Flux Boundary Conditions

Logistics: - HW2 due today (1: 16 2: 14 3: 12)

- HW3 will be posted today

⇒ start early and get help in office hours

Last time: - Heterogeneous coefficients

Continuous: $-\nabla \cdot [\underline{K}(\underline{x}) \nabla h] = f_s$

Discrete: $-\underline{D} * [\underline{K}_d \underline{G} h] = f_s$

K_d N_x+1 by N_x+1 diagonal matrix

with k_{mean} on diagonal

$$\underline{k}_{mean} = (\underline{M} * \underline{K} \cdot \hat{p}) \cdot \hat{(1/p)} \quad \text{power-law}$$

→ $p=1$ arithmetic

→ $p=-1$ harmonic

- Radial coordinates:

$$\text{div: } \nabla \cdot = \underline{\frac{1}{x^{(d-1)}}} \frac{d}{dx} x^{(d-1)}$$

$$\underline{D} = \underline{\frac{R_{inv}}{x_c}} * \underline{D} * \underline{R} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ x_c & & x_f \end{matrix}$$

Today: Fluxes and flux BC's

Neumann / Flux Boundary Conditions

Dirichlet BC prescribe h on bnd.

⇒ eliminate h on bnd as constraint

Neuman BC prescribe flux $q \sim \frac{dh}{dx}$

⇒ h on Neu BC is still unknown

⇒ Neuman BC's are not implemented as constraints

Sign Convention

In this class we consider inflows to be positive for reasons that will become clear when we discuss flux computation

$$q_B = q \cdot \hat{n}_i$$

$\hat{n}_i =$ inward normal

$q_B =$ bnd flux

$$\hat{n}_i = 1$$

$$\hat{n}_i = -1$$



x_{min}

x_{max}

⇒ $q_B > 0$ inflow on bnd

For a problem with Neuman BC's the linear system becomes:

$$\underline{L} \underline{h} = \underline{f}_s + \underline{f}_n$$

To construct \underline{f}_n we define:

BC.dof-neu = N_n by 1 vector of cells on Neuman BC

BC.dof-f-neu = N_n by 1 vector of faces on Neu. BC

BC.gb = N_n by 1 vector of bnd fluxes

also need to add cell volumes and face areas to Grid

Grid.V = N_x by 1 } assume other dimensions
Grid.A = N_{fx} by 1 } are unity

In $[B, W, f_n] = \text{build_bud}(BC, \text{Grid})$

add following line

$$\underbrace{f_n(\text{BC.dof-neu})}_{N_n \cdot 1} = \underbrace{\text{BC.gb}}_{N_n \cdot 1} * \underbrace{\text{Grid.A}(\text{BC.dof-f-neu})}_{\text{Grid.V}(\text{BC.dof-neu})}$$

Compute fluxes of Gradient Fields

We regularly need to compute fluxes from the gradient of a scalar potential field.

Darcy: $q = -K \nabla h$ $h = \text{scalar potential}$

Discrete approx: $q = - \underline{K_d} \underline{G} \underline{h}$

This works in the interior of the domain, but on bnd $\underline{G} \underline{h}$ is zero by construction.

\Rightarrow need to reconstruct boundary flux

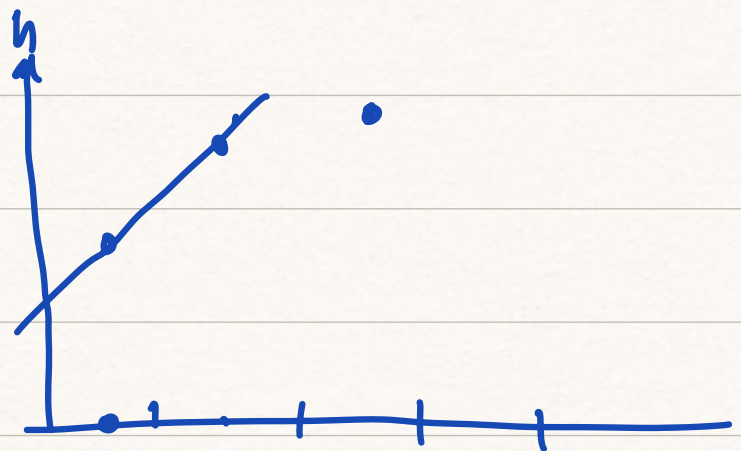
Option 1: Extrapolate to bnd

Equivalent to using one-sided derivatives

Problem: loose discrete

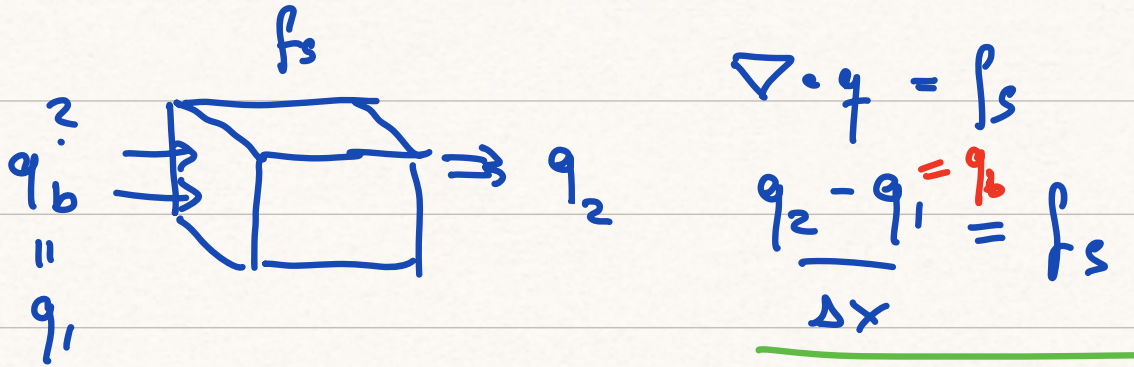
conservation

because of interpolation error



Option 2: Reconstruct from discrete balance

Idea: Use discrete mass balance in bud cell to compute the exact bud flux required to conserve mass.



Consider our discrete system:

$$\underline{L} \underline{u} = f_s$$

$$\underline{u} = \text{unknown } (\underline{h})$$

Residual of equation

$$\underline{r}(\underline{u}) = \underline{L} \underline{u} - f_s$$

If discrete eqns are satisfied $\underline{r} = \underline{0}$

In bud cells $\underline{r} \neq \underline{0}$ because \underline{G} has natural BC

\Rightarrow non-zero residual in bud cells

contains information about bud flux!

$$r = \frac{q_2 - 0}{\Delta x} - f_s \neq 0$$

Consider system with flux BC's

$$\underline{L}u = \underline{f}_S + \underline{f}_N$$

residual: $\underline{r} = \underline{L}u - \underline{f}_S = \underline{f}_N$

on bud $\Rightarrow \underline{r} = \underline{f}_N$

The residual on bud is equal to the rhs vector due to the flux BC's!

Entries of \underline{f}_N on Neu bud are: $f_n = q_b \frac{A}{V}$

If we are given $\underline{r} = \underline{f}_N$ we can reverse this argument and solve for flux: $q_b = \int$

$$q_b = \int r_n \frac{V}{A} = \underline{r} \frac{V}{A}$$

This is also true on Dirichlet BC so that the 'bud flux in general is given by:

$$|q_b| = |r| \frac{V}{A}$$

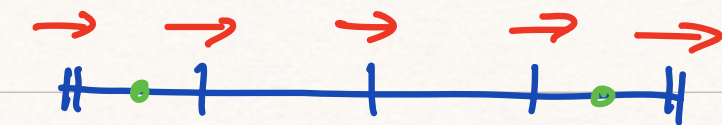
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Sign change

We want q_b to have sign that matches with the rest $q = -\underline{U} \underline{d} \underline{G} \underline{h}$.

Here q 's are positive if they point in pos. x-dir.

$$q = -\underline{U} \underline{d} \underline{G} \underline{h}$$



Need to change

sign on x_{max} bud

$r_1 \geq 0$

$r_{ux} < 0$

inflow

outflow

Implementation:

In function `comp_flux.m` we compute fluxes. as follows:

Define 2 vectors:

`dof_cell`: column vector that contains all bud cells (dir, neu)

`dof_face`: column vector that contains all associated faces

To compute all bound. fluxes:

$$q = - \sum_{\text{dof}} \underline{G} h$$

$$* \text{res} = \underline{L} h - f_s \quad \text{res(dof-cell)}$$

$$q(\text{dof-face}) = \underline{\text{sig}}_u \cdot * \underline{\Gamma}(\text{dof-cell}, u) \cdot * V(\text{dof-cell}) / A(\text{dof-face})$$

where $\underline{\text{sig}}_u = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{dof-face} \in \text{max bound} \\ 1, & \text{dof-face} \in \text{min bound} \end{cases}$

You can use `ismember(u)` to check which boundary you are on.