

# Lecture 24: Implicit solution of Richards Equation

Logistics: - HW9 <sup>last HW</sup> is posted due Th 4/18

- HW7 last chance Th 4/18

Last time: Solving non-linear equations  
⇒ Horizontal unsaturated flow

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot [D(\theta) \nabla \theta] = 0}$$

non-linear diffusion

- Explicit solution

works surprisingly well

- Implicit solution

⇒ lagging non-linearity

- Fully non-linear

⇒ Newton-Raphson Iteration

Scalar equation

Today: Newton-Raphson for systems of eqns  
" " " for Richards Equation

# Newton's method for systems of Eqs

$\underline{r}(\theta)$  vector valued vector function

$r(\theta)$  scalar valued scalar function

Linearize a function  $\rightarrow$  directional derivative

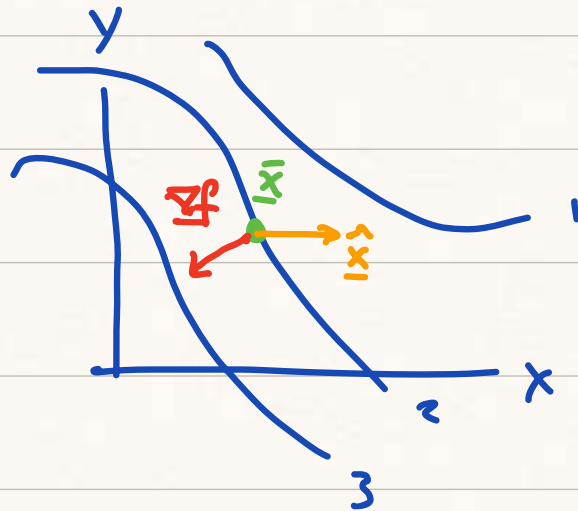
Example scalar valued vector function:

$$\underline{f}(\underline{x}) = x + y^2$$

What is change of  $f$  in direction  $\hat{x}$  at  $\bar{x}$ .

$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\bar{x}) = \underline{\nabla f}|_{\bar{x}} \cdot \underline{\hat{x}}$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2y \end{bmatrix}$$



$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\bar{x}) = [1 \quad 2y] \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \end{bmatrix} = \underline{\hat{x} + 2y\hat{y}}$$

$$\bar{x} = 0 \quad \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\bar{x}) = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

Different definition of Directional derivative

$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\underline{x}) = \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} f(\underline{x} + \epsilon \hat{x}) \right|_{\epsilon=0} \quad f = x + y^2$$

$$= \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \bar{x} + \epsilon \hat{x} + (\bar{y} + \epsilon \hat{y})^2 \right|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$= \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \cancel{\bar{x}} + \epsilon \hat{x} + \cancel{\bar{y}^2} + 2\epsilon \bar{y} \hat{y} + \epsilon^2 \hat{y}^2 \right|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$= \left. (\hat{x} + 2\bar{y} \hat{y} + \cancel{2\epsilon \hat{y}^2}) \right|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\underline{x}) = \underline{\hat{x} + 2\bar{y} \hat{y}}$$

$$D_{\hat{x}} f(\underline{x}) = \nabla f|_{\underline{x}} \cdot \hat{x} = \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} f(\underline{x} + \epsilon \hat{x}) \right|_{\epsilon=0}$$

more general

$f(x)$  is scalar valued vector function

$\underline{r}(x)$  is vector valued vector function.

$$D_{\hat{x}} \underline{r}(\underline{x}) = \underbrace{\nabla \underline{r}|_{\underline{x}}}_{\underline{J} = \text{Jacobian}} \hat{x} = \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \underline{r}(\underline{x} + \epsilon \hat{x}) \right|_{\epsilon=0}$$

Newton's method for vector valued vector fun.

$\underline{r}(\underline{u})$  non-linear

Linearize

$$L_{\underline{u}} \underline{r}(\hat{\underline{u}}) = \underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}}) + \epsilon D_{\hat{\underline{u}}} \underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}})$$

$$= \underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}}) + \epsilon \nabla \underline{r}|_{\underline{\bar{u}}} \hat{\underline{u}}$$

$$= \underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}}) + \nabla \underline{r}|_{\underline{\bar{u}}} \underline{\Delta u} + \text{h.o.t} \quad \underline{\Delta u} = \epsilon \hat{\underline{u}}$$

$$= \underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}}) + \underline{J}(\underline{\bar{u}}) \underline{\Delta u}$$

↑  
unit

Find root of linearization and iterate

$$L_{\underline{u}} \underline{r}(\hat{\underline{u}}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{J}(\underline{\bar{u}}) \underline{\Delta u} = -\underline{r}(\underline{\bar{u}})$$

solve linear system for update  $\underline{\Delta u}$

$$\underline{u}^{k+1} = \underline{u}^k + \underline{\Delta u}^k$$

→ Live script example

# Newton's method for Richard's Eqn

Horizontal Direction

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot [D_H(\theta) \nabla \theta] = f_s$$

Discretize

$$\underline{r} = \underline{\theta}^{n+1} - \underline{\theta}^n - \Delta t \underline{D} * \underbrace{[\underline{K}_d(\underline{\theta}^{n+1}) * \underline{G} \underline{\theta}^{n+1}]}_{\text{non-linear} \neq \underline{L} \underline{\theta}^{n+1}} - \Delta t f_s = 0$$

Jacobian:  $\nabla_{\underline{r}} = \frac{d\underline{r}}{d\underline{\theta}} = \underline{J}$

$$J_{ij} = \frac{\partial r_i}{\partial \theta_j} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial r_1}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial r_1}{\partial \theta_2} & \dots & \frac{\partial r_1}{\partial \theta_n} \\ \frac{\partial r_2}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial r_2}{\partial \theta_2} & & \frac{\partial r_2}{\partial \theta_n} \\ \frac{\partial r_3}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial r_3}{\partial \theta_2} & & \frac{\partial r_3}{\partial \theta_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial r_n}{\partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial r_n}{\partial \theta_2} & & \frac{\partial r_n}{\partial \theta_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{J} = \left[ \frac{dr}{du_1} \quad \frac{dr}{du_2} \quad \dots \quad \frac{dr}{du_n} \right]$$

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Calculating Jacobian is main challenge!

One option is a numerical Jacobian  
using finite differences  
compute one column of  $\underline{J}$  at a time

General code:

```
[J] = comp_jacobian(r, u,  $\epsilon$ )
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n = length(u); % Grid.N
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u_perturb = u;
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% loop over columns of J
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for i = 1:n
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    u_perturb(i) = u_perturb(i) +  $\epsilon$ ;
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    J(:, i) = (r(u_perturb) - r(u)) /  $\epsilon$ ; % FD
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    u_perturb(i) = u(i);
```

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end
```

This works for any vectorvalued residual  $\nabla$

If  $\underline{r}(\underline{u})$  is complicated it can be defined  
as separate function.

For time dependent problems need to avoid confusing time level ( $\underline{u}^n, \underline{u}^{n+1}$ ) with the iterates of Newton's method ( $\underline{u}^k, \underline{u}^{k+1}$ )

-  $\underline{u}^n$  is not involved in Newton

- Newton is iterating to find  $\underline{u}^{n+1} \rightarrow$

$$\underline{u}^0 = \underline{u}^n \rightarrow \underline{u}^1 \rightarrow \underline{u}^2 \rightarrow \underline{u}^3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \underline{u}^{n+1}$$

General code line for a transient problem

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for n = 1:N % timestepping loop
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  thetaold = theta; % thetaold = thetan
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  while nres > tol || ndtheta > tol && k < kmax
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    dtheta = - J(theta, thetaold) \ r(theta, thetaold);
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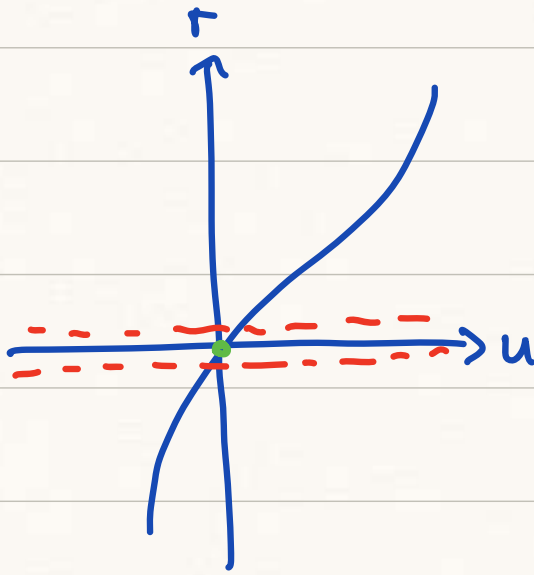
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    theta = theta + dtheta
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  end
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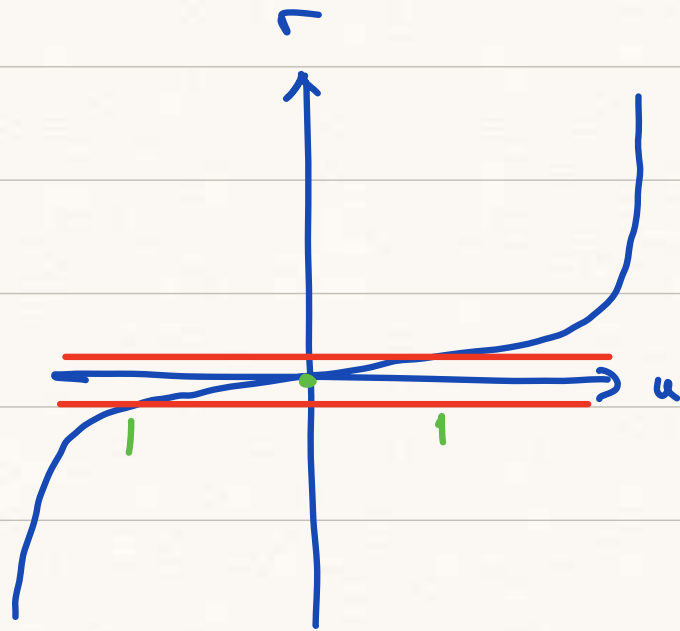
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end
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Note: thetaold is not updated in Newton loop.

# Convergence of Newton



$$|r| < \text{tol}$$



$$|du| < \text{tol}$$