

# Lecture 3: Intro to numerics

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Logistics: - Mbarak office hours (11-noon wed)

- test if you can see HW 1 problems

- Last time: Balance laws accumulation  
fluxes source term

• General balance law:  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \underline{j} = \hat{f}_s$

• pose fluid mass balance:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \phi) + \nabla \cdot (\rho \underline{q}) = \hat{f}_s$

• constitutive laws:

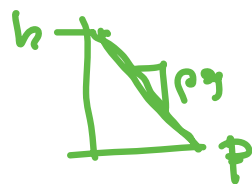
1) Darcy's law:  $\underline{q} = -K \nabla h$

2) Equation of state:  $\rho = \rho(h)$  h = head

• Divergence & Gradient:

- gradient:  $\nabla$  scalar  $\rightarrow$  vector

- divergence:  $\nabla \cdot$  vector  $\rightarrow$  scalar



$h \sim p$

Today: - Finish incompressible flow

$\Rightarrow$  Motivate our approach to numerics

- Finite differences

- Differentiation matrices

Example: Flow around well

$\Rightarrow$  Conservative Finite Differences

# Incompressible Flow

Fluid mass balance:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi\rho) + \nabla \cdot (\rho\mathbf{q}) = \hat{f}_s = \rho f_s$

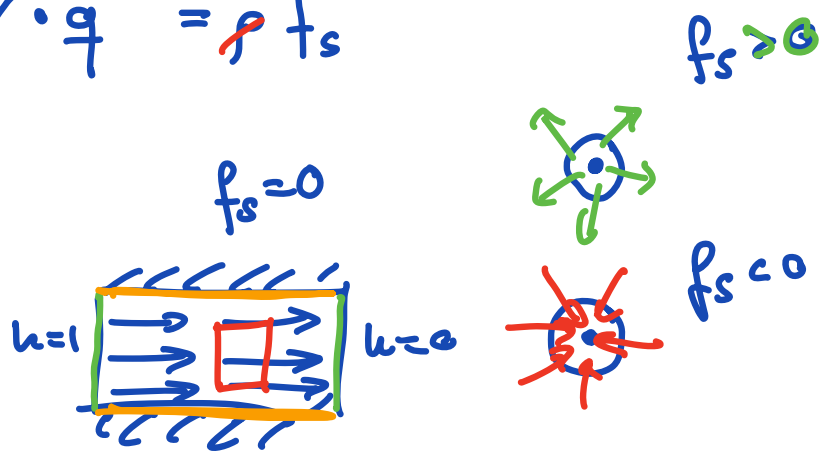
- porosity does not change with time  $\phi \neq \phi(t)$   
but  $\phi = \phi(\underline{x})$
- for pressure variations in infiltration problems  
 $\rho = \text{const.}$

Substitute them:

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\phi\rho)} + \cancel{\rho} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = \cancel{\rho} f_s$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = f_s$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = 0$$



substitute Darcy's law:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = f_s$$

$$\mathbf{q} = -K \nabla h$$

$$-\nabla \cdot (K \nabla h) = f_s$$

Poisson's Equ

if  $K = \text{const.}$

$$-K \nabla \cdot \nabla h = f_s$$

$$-K \nabla^2 h = f_s$$

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

# Boundary value problem (BVP)

A well-posed problem requires boundary conditions (BC)

$$\text{PDE: } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} = f_s$$

$$\mathbf{q} = -K \nabla h$$

BC: a) Dirichlet BC

prescribe the solution

$$h(\underline{x}) = h_B(\underline{x}) \quad \underline{x} \in \partial\Omega_B$$

b) Neuman BC

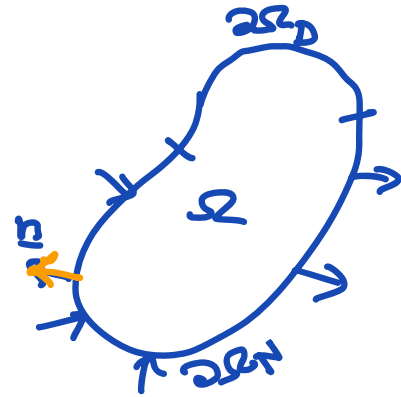
prescribe the flux

$$\mathbf{q} \cdot \underline{n} = -q_B \quad \underline{x} \in \partial\Omega_N$$

$q_B > 0$  in flow

$q_B < 0$  out flow

$q_B = 0$  no flow (natural BCs)



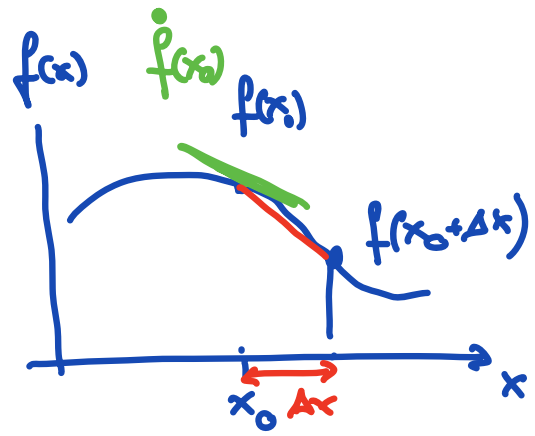
# Intro to Finite Differences

In calculus we define

the derivative of function  $f(x)$

$$\text{as } \dot{f}(x) = \left. \frac{df}{dx} \right|_{x_0} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)}{\Delta x}$$

don't take limit



Finite differences (one-sided difference)

$$\dot{f}(x_0) \approx \frac{f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0)}{\Delta x}$$

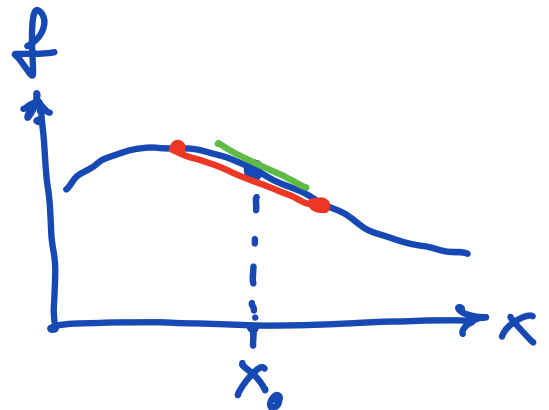
$$\dot{f}(x_0) = \quad \quad \quad + O(\Delta x)$$

In prop's numerics class you prove that error  $\Delta x$

$\Rightarrow$  first-order accurate

Central difference

$$\dot{f}(x) = \frac{f(x_0 + \Delta x) - f(x_0 - \Delta x)}{2\Delta x}$$



$\Rightarrow$  second order accurate

# Differentiation Matrix

Derivative is a linear differential operator

it takes a function and returns different function

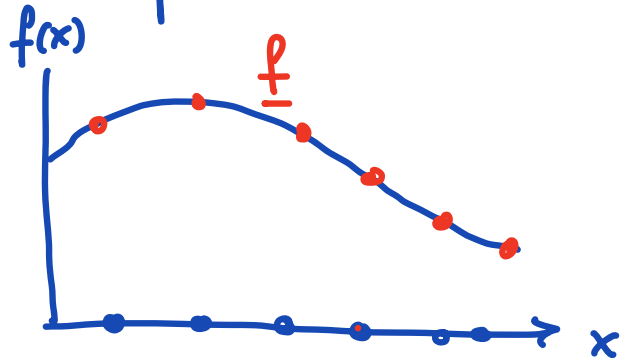
$$\dot{f}(x) = \mathcal{D}(f(x))$$

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derivative operator

The discrete equivalent of  $f(x)$  is a vector.

$\underline{f} = f(\underline{x})$ . Similarly

we can define  $\underline{df} = \dot{f}(\underline{x})$

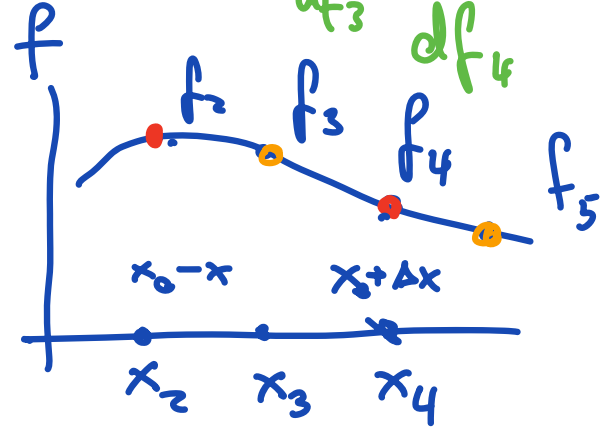
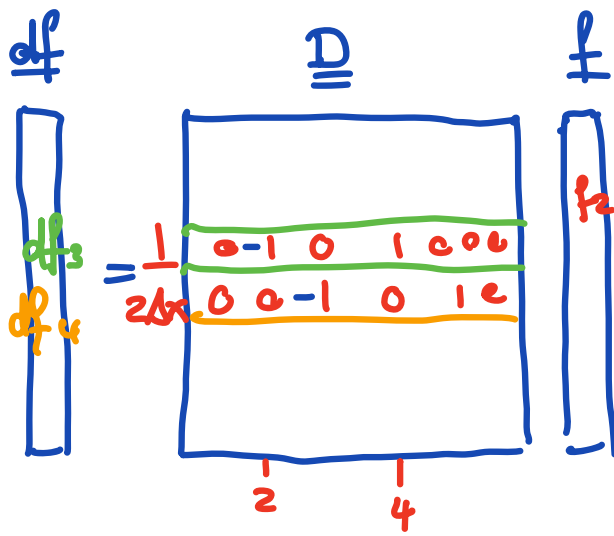


What is the discrete equivalent of  $\mathcal{D}$ ?

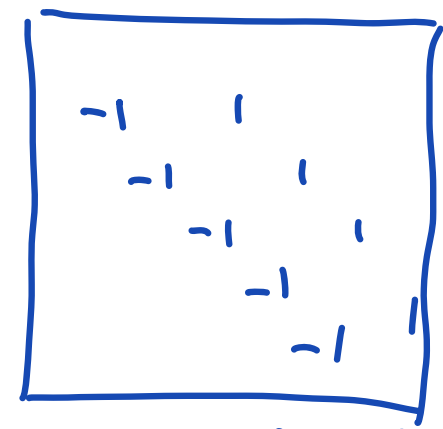
$$\underline{df} = \boxed{\underline{D}} \underline{f}$$

has to be a matrix, because it is linear  
and it relates two vectors.

⇒ Differentiation matrix



$$df_3 = \frac{f_4 - f_2}{2\Delta x}$$



$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{D}}$  has simple bi-diagonal structure  
 Note: Boundaries require different treatment.

What about 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives?  $\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2}$

$$\underline{d}df = \underline{\underline{D}} df = \underline{\underline{D}} \underline{\underline{D}} f = \underline{\underline{D}}^2 f$$