

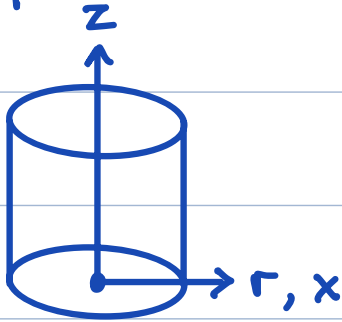
Non-Cartesian Coordinates (1D)

$\nabla \cdot, \nabla, \nabla_x$ notation hides coordinate system

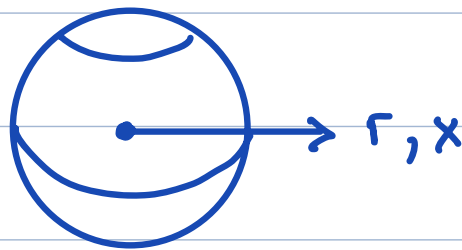
$\Rightarrow$ same for discrete ops: $\underline{\underline{D}}, \underline{\underline{G}}, \underline{\underline{C}}$

Even in one-direction 'x':

- 1) linear cartesian (1D)
- 2) cylindrical radial (2D) $\rightarrow$ wells
- 3) spherical radial (3D) $\rightarrow$ planets



cylindrical



spherical

Gradient is unchanged: $\nabla = \frac{d}{dx}$

Divergence changes:

Linear (1D): $\nabla \cdot = \frac{d}{dx}$

cylindrical (2D): $\nabla \cdot = \frac{1}{x} \frac{d}{dx} x$

spherical (3D): $\nabla \cdot = \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{d}{dx} x^2$

Divergence in 'd' dimensions:

$$\nabla \cdot = \frac{1}{x^{d-1}} \frac{d}{dx} x^{d-1}$$

Geometric Interpretation:

⇒ key to correct discretization!

$$-\nabla \cdot [k \nabla h] = f_s$$

explicit in 'd' dimensions

$$-\frac{1}{x^{d-1}} \frac{d}{dx} \left[x^{d-1} k \frac{dh}{dx} \right] = f_s$$

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left[\underbrace{x^{d-1} k}_{\text{flux}} \frac{dh}{dx} \right] = \underbrace{x^{d-1} f_s}_{\text{source}}$$

- $x^{d-1} k$ represents the growth of interfacial area with x
⇒ evaluate at faces (Grid.xf)

- $x^{d-1} f_s$ represents the growth of cell volume with x
⇒ evaluate at cell centers (Grid.xc)

Discretizing radial divergence

Continuous: $\nabla \cdot = \frac{1}{x^{d-1}} \frac{d}{dx} x^{d-1}$

Discrete: $\underline{\underline{D}}(d) = \underline{\underline{R_{inv}}}(d) \underline{\underline{D}} \underline{\underline{R}}(d)$

$$\underline{\underline{R_{inv}}} = \begin{bmatrix} \diagdown & & \\ & \frac{1}{x_c^{d-1}} & \\ & & \diagup \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N_x \cdot N_x$$

$$\underline{\underline{R}} = \begin{bmatrix} \diagdown & & \\ & x_f^{d-1} & \\ & & \diagup \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N_{fx} \cdot N_{fx}$$

Matlab:

$$R_{inv} = @(d) \text{spdiags}(1./\text{Grid}.x_f.^{(d-1)}, 0, N_x, N_x)$$

$$R = @(d) \text{spdiags}(\text{Grid}.x_c.^{(d-1)}, 0, N_{fx}, N_{fx})$$

Test problem:

$$\text{PDE: } -\nabla \cdot [K \nabla h] = 0 \quad x \in [x_{\min}, x_{\max}] \quad x_{\min} > 0$$

$$\text{BC: } h(x_{\min}) = h_1 \quad h(x_{\max}) = h_2$$

$$\text{linear: } h(x) = h_1 + \frac{h_2 - h_1}{x_{\max} - x_{\min}} (x - x_{\min})$$

$$\text{cylindrical: } h(x) = h_1 + (h_2 - h_1) \frac{\ln(x/x_{\min})}{\ln(x_{\max}/x_{\min})}$$

$$\text{spherical: } h(x) = h_1 + \frac{h_2 - h_1}{\frac{1}{x_{\max}} - \frac{1}{x_{\min}}} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x_{\min}} \right)$$

