From Integral Representation Method (IRM) to Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM)

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Abstract: Integral Representation Method (IRM) is one of convenient methods to solve Initial and Boundary Value Problems (IBVP). It can be applied to irregular mesh, and the solution is stable and accurate. However, it was originally developed for linear equations with known fundamental solutions. In order to apply to general nonlinear equations, we must generalize the method. In the present paper, a generalization of IRM (GIRM) is discussed and applied to specific problems and the numerical solutions obtained. The numerical results are stable and accurate. The generalized method is called Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM). Brief explanations on the relationships with other numerical methods are also given.

Keywords: Initial and Boundary Value Problems (IBVP), Integral Representation Method (IRM), Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM), Generalized Fundamental Solution

1. Introduction

Integral Representation Method is one of convenient methods to solve Initial and Boundary Value Problems (IBVP) [1-3]. It can be applied to irregular mesh, and the solution is stable and accurate. However, it was originally developed for linear equations with known fundamental solutions. In order to apply to general nonlinear equations, we must generalize the method [4-6]. In IRM, the fundamental solution satisfying a proper differential equation is sought based on our knowledge of the differential equation. However, in Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM), we assume the proper fundamental solution in advance. Choice of the fundamental solution may always be possible.

In the present paper, the generalization of IRM is discussed not only from the theoretical viewpoint, but also the computational aspects are also discussed. GIRM is applied diffusion problems and Burgers' equation. The numerical results are stable and accurate.

In the present paper, IRM and GIRM are explained from very basic level to advanced level, and the relationships with other numerical methods such as Finite Difference Method (FDM) and Collocation Method (CM) etc. are also clarified.

2. Preparation

As a basis of discussion, we discuss the solution of one-dimensional Initial Boundary Value Problem (IBVP) of one-dimensional diffusion problem in flow.

Let x and t refer to the coordinate and time, respectively. IBVP of one-dimensional diffusion in flow is given by

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = \kappa \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + \sigma \quad \text{in } -L < x < L \quad \& \quad t > 0, \quad (1)$$

$$C = g_{-L}(t) \quad \text{at } x = -L \quad \& \quad t > 0$$

$$\text{and } C = g_L(t) \quad \text{at } x = L \quad \& \quad t > 0, \quad (2)$$

$$C = f(x) \quad \text{in } -L < x < L \quad \text{at } t = 0, \quad (3)$$

where $C(x, t)$, U , $\sigma(x, t)$ and κ are the density of substance, velocity of flow, source of substance and constant of diffusion, respectively. The functions $g_\lambda(t)$ ($\lambda = -L, L$) and $f(x)$ give the boundary and initial values of the density $C(x, t)$, respectively.

A numerical solution of IBVP can be obtained by the following procedure:

$C(x, t)$ is known at $t \rightarrow$ obtain $\partial C / \partial t$ from

Eq. (1) $\rightarrow$ obtain $C(x, t+dt)$ from

$$C(x+dt) = C(x, t) + dt \cdot \partial C(x, t) / \partial t \rightarrow$$

$$\text{add } dt \text{ to } t \rightarrow \text{repeat.} \quad (4)$$

2.1. Finite Difference Method (FDM)

In Finite Difference Method (FDM), the differential equation Eq. (1) is discretized directly using Differences.

We adopt a regular mesh or grid:

$$dx = 2L/N, \quad x_i = -L + idx \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad (5)$$

$$t_n = ndt \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (6)$$

$$C_i^{(n)} = C(x_i, t_n), \quad \sigma_i^{(n)} = \sigma(x_i, t_n). \quad (7)$$

The space derivatives are approximated using central differences:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2dx} (C(x+dx, t) - C(x-dx, t)). \quad (8a)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{dx^2} (C(x+dx, t) - 2C(x, t) + C(x-dx, t)). \quad (8b)$$

Then, we obtain an approximation of IBVP defined by Eqs. (1-3):

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_i^{(n)} = -\frac{U}{2dx} (C_{i+1}^{(n)} - C_{i-1}^{(n)}) + \frac{\kappa}{dx^2} (C_{i+1}^{(n)} - 2C_i^{(n)} + C_{i-1}^{(n)}) + \sigma_i^{(n)} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N-1 \text{ \& } n = 1, \dots, \quad (9)$$

$$C_0^{(n)} = g_{-L}(t_n), \quad C_N^{(n)} = g_L(t_n) \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (10)$$

$$C_i^{(0)} = f(x_i) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N-1, \quad (11)$$

where $C_i^{(n)} = C(x_i, t_n)$, etc.

If we use Explicit Time Evolution (ETE), $[\partial C / \partial t]_i^{(n)}$ is interpreted as

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_i^{(n)} = \frac{1}{dt} (C_i^{(n+1)} - C_i^{(n)})$$

or $C_i^{(n+1)} = C_i^{(n)} + \left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_i^{(n)} dt.$ (12)

$C_i^{(n+1)}$ is obtained by the following procedure:

$C_i^{(n)}$ is known at $t \rightarrow$ obtain $[\partial C / \partial t]_i^{(n)}$ from

Eq. (9) $\rightarrow$ obtain $C_i^{(n+1)}$ from $[\partial C / \partial t]_i^{(n)}$

using Eq. (12) $\rightarrow$ add dt to $t \rightarrow$ repeat. (13)

If we use Implicit Time Evolution (ITE), $[\partial C / \partial t]_i^{(n)}$ is understood as

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_i^{(n)} = \frac{1}{dt} (C_i^{(n)} - C_i^{(n-1)}), \quad (14)$$

and we substitute Eq. (14) into Eq. (9):

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{dt} (C_i^{(n)} - C_i^{(n-1)}) \\ &= -\frac{U}{2dx} (C_{i+1}^{(n)} - C_{i-1}^{(n)}) + \frac{\kappa}{dx^2} (C_{i+1}^{(n)} - 2C_i^{(n)} + C_{i-1}^{(n)}) + \sigma_i^{(n)} \\ & \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N-1 \text{ \& } n = 1, \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$C_i^{(n)}$ is obtained by the following procedure:

$C_i^{(n-1)}$ is known at $t \rightarrow$ obtain $C_i^{(n)}$ solving

an algebraic equation Eq. (15) $\rightarrow$ add dt to

$$t \rightarrow \text{repeat.} \quad (16)$$

FDM-ITE requires inversion of matrix.

FDM discretizes the differential equation into difference equation. FDM is accurate if we use highly accurate difference such as central difference, but FDM requires regular grid. FDM-ETE does not require inversion of matrix. This is very helpful to reduce computational time.

2.2. Mode Function Interpolation Method (MFIM)

The unknown function $C(x, t)$ could be interpolated before obtaining discretizing the equations. We may call this method Mode Function Interpolation Method (MFIM). Collocation Method (CM), Conventional Galerkin Method (CGM) and Finite Element Method (FEM) etc., belong to MFIM. CM and CGM apply MFIM in global region, and FEM does in local regions.

In case of CM, we use MFIM of the following form:

$$C(x, t) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(t) G_{\mu}(x) \quad \text{in } -L \leq x \leq L \text{ \& } t \geq 0, \quad (17)$$

where $G_{\mu}(x)$ is a mode function. $c_{\mu}(t)$ is the coefficient of interpolation and corresponds to generalized coordinates in analytical mechanics.

If we substitute Eq. (17) into Eq. (1-3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} \frac{dc_{\mu}(t)}{dt} G_{\mu}(x) \\ &= -U \sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(t) \frac{dG_{\mu}(x)}{dx} + \kappa \sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(t) \frac{d^2 G_{\mu}(x)}{dx^2} + \sigma \\ & \text{in } -L < x < L \text{ \& } t > 0, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(t) G_{\mu}(-L) = g_{-L}(t) \quad \text{at } t > 0$$

and $\sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(t) G_{\mu}(L) = g_L(t) \quad \text{at } t > 0,$ (19)

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^{M-1} c_{\mu}(0) G_{\mu}(x) = f(x) \quad \text{in } -L < x < L. \quad (20)$$

We can use a irregular mesh or grid in CM:

$$-L, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{N-2}, x_{N-1}, L, \quad (21)$$

$$t_n = ndt \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (22)$$

$$c_{\mu}^{(n)} = c_{\mu}(t_n), \quad \sigma_i^{(n)} = \sigma(x_i, t_n). \quad (23)$$

The discretized equations of IBVP using CM are given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\mu=0}^M \left[\frac{dc}{dt} \right]_{\mu}^{(n)} G_{\mu}(x_i) \\ &= -U \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{dG_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx} + \kappa \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{d^2 G_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx^2} + \sigma_i^{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ & $n = 1, 2, \dots,$ (24)

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} G_{\mu}(-L) = g_{-L}(t_n), \quad \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} G_{\mu}(L) = g_L(t_n)$$

for $n = 1, \dots,$ (25)

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(0)} G_{\mu}(x_i) = f(x_i) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1. \quad (26)$$

If we use Implicit Time Evolution (ITE), $[dc/dt]_{\mu}^{(n)}$ is understood as

$$\left[\frac{dc}{dt} \right]_{\mu}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{dt} (c_{\mu}^{(n)} - c_{\mu}^{(n-1)}), \quad (27)$$

we substitute Eq. (14) into Eq. (24):

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\mu=0}^M \frac{1}{dt} (c_{\mu}^{(n)} - c_{\mu}^{(n-1)}) G_{\mu}(x_i) \\ &= -U \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{dG_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx} + \kappa \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{d^2 G_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx^2} + \sigma_i^{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, \dots, N-1$ & $n = 1, \dots,$ (28)

$c_{\mu}^{(n)}$ is obtained by the following procedure:

$c_{\mu}^{(n-1)}$ is known at $t-1 \rightarrow$ obtain $c_{\mu}^{(n)}$ from

Eqs. (28) and (25) $\rightarrow$ add dt to $t \rightarrow$ repeat. (29)

If N and M satisfy

$$N+1 \geq M, \quad (30)$$

we can apply Least Square Method (LSM) to determine $c_{\mu}^{(n)}$ ($\mu = 0, 1, \dots, M-1$).

CM does not require regular mesh. If proper mode functions are used, the accuracy is high.

If $g_{-L}(t)$ and $g_L(t)$ satisfy

$$g_{-L}(t) = 0, \quad g_L(t) = 0, \quad (31)$$

we can make mode function $G_{\mu}(x)$ satisfy

$$G_{\mu}(-L) = G_{\mu}(L) = 0 \quad \text{for } \mu = 0, 1, \dots, M-1. \quad (32)$$

Then, Eqs. (24-26) are replaced by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\mu=0}^M \left[\frac{dc}{dt} \right]_{\mu}^{(n)} G_{\mu}(x_i) \\ &= -U \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{dG_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx} + \kappa \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(n)} \frac{d^2 G_{\mu}(x_i)}{dx^2} + \sigma_i^{(n)} \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ & $n = 1, \dots$ (33)

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}^{(0)} G_{\mu}(x_i) = f(x_i) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1. \quad (34)$$

In this case, we can also apply ETE. $[dc/dt]_{\mu}^{(n)}$ is interpreted as

$$\left[\frac{dc}{dt} \right]_{\mu}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{dt} (c_{\mu}^{(n+1)} - c_{\mu}^{(n)}) \quad \text{or} \quad c_{\mu}^{(n+1)} = c_{\mu}^{(n)} + \left[\frac{dc}{dt} \right]_{\mu}^{(n)} dt. \quad (35)$$

$c_{\mu}^{(n+1)}$ is obtained by the following procedure:

$c_{\mu}^{(n)}$ is known at $t \rightarrow$ obtain $[dc/dt]_{\mu}^{(n)}$ from

Eq. (33) $\rightarrow$ obtain $c_{\mu}^{(n+1)}$ from $[dc/dt]_{\mu}^{(n)}$

using Eq. (35) $\rightarrow$ add dt to $t \rightarrow$ repeat. (36)

3. Integral Representation Method (IRM)

Eq. (17) suggests us an integral representation of dependent variable:

$$C(x, t) = \int_0^L G(x, \xi) c(\xi, t) d\xi$$

in $-L \leq x \leq L$ & $t \geq 0.$ (37)

since

$$C(x, t) = \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}(t) G_{\mu}(x) = \frac{M}{2L} \sum_{\mu=0}^M c_{\mu}(t) G_{\mu}(x) d\xi$$

$$= \sum_{\mu=0}^M c(\mu d\xi, t) G(x, \mu d\xi) d\xi = \int_0^L G(x, \xi) c(\xi, t) d\xi \quad (38)$$

where

$$d\xi = \frac{2L}{M}, \quad c_{\mu}(t) = c(\mu d\xi, t), \quad G_{\mu}(x) = \frac{M}{2L} G(x, \mu d\xi). \quad (39)$$

Multiplying a function $G(x, \xi)$ of x and ξ on both side of Eq. (1)

$$0 = \int_{-L}^L \left(\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} - \kappa \frac{\partial^2 C(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \right) G(x, \xi) dx$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L \left[\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(UC(x, t) G(x, \xi) - \kappa \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} G(x, \xi) \right) + \left(-UC(x, t) + \kappa \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} \right) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} - \sigma(x, t) G(x, \xi) \right] dx$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L \left[\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) - UC(x, \xi) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\kappa C(x, t) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right) - \left(\kappa C(x, t) \frac{\partial^2 G(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} \right) \right] dx$$

$$+ \left[UC(x, t) G(x, \xi) - \kappa \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} G(x, \xi) \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L}$$

$$- \int_{-L}^L \sigma(x, t) G(x, \xi) dx$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) dx - U \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} dx$$

$$- \kappa \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial^2 G(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} dx$$

$$+ U [C(x, t) G(x, \xi)]_{x=-L}^{x=L}$$

$$- \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} G(x, \xi) - C(x, t) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L}$$

$$- \int_{-L}^L \sigma(x, t) G(x, \xi) dx. \quad (40)$$

Rewriting Eq. (40), we have

$$\int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) dx$$

$$= U \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} dx + \kappa \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial^2 G(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} dx$$

$$- U [C(x, t) G(x, \xi)]_{x=-L}^{x=L}$$

$$+ \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} G(x, \xi) - C(x, t) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L}$$

$$+ \int_{-L}^L \sigma(x, t) G(x, \xi) dx \quad (41)$$

Exchanging x and ξ , we obtain

$$\int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial t} G(\xi, x) d\xi$$

$$= U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} d\xi + \kappa \int_{-L}^L C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial^2 G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi^2} d\xi$$

$$- U [C(\xi, t) G(\xi, x)]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}$$

$$+ \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial \xi} G(\xi, x) - C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}$$

$$+ \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi, t) G(\xi, x) d\xi \quad (42)$$

If $G(x, \xi)$ is a fundamental solution of the differential operator $\partial^2/\partial x^2$, $G(x, \xi)$ is defined as

$$\frac{\partial^2 G(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} = \delta(x - \xi), \quad (43)$$

where $\delta(x)$ is Dirac's delta function:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) dx = 1 \text{ and } \delta(x) = 0 \text{ when } x \neq 0. \quad (44)$$

Specifically, $G(x, \xi)$:

$$G(x, \xi) = G(\xi, x) = 0.5 |x - \xi| \quad (45)$$

is a fundamental solution of the differential operator $\partial^2/\partial x^2$.

Substituting Eq. (43) into Eq. (42) becomes

$$\kappa \mathcal{E}(x) C(x, t)$$

$$= \int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) d\xi$$

$$- U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} d\xi - \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi, t) G(\xi, x) d\xi$$

$$+ U [C(\xi, t) G(\xi, x)]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}$$

$$- \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial \xi} G(\xi, x) - C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L} \quad (46)$$

where

$$\varepsilon(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } -L < x < L \\ 0.5 & \text{when } x = -L, L \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

Eq. (42) or (46) is an integral representation of Eq. (1).

(1) Steady solution

If there exists a steady solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} C(x, t) &= C(x), \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x, t) = \sigma(x), \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g_{-L}(t) &= g_{-L}, \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g_L(t) = g_L \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

we have from Eq. (46)

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa \varepsilon(x) C(x) &= -U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} d\xi - \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi) G(\xi, x) d\xi \\ &+ U [C(\xi) G(\xi, x)]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L} \\ &- \kappa \left[\frac{dC(\xi)}{d\xi} G(\xi, x) - C(\xi) \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}. \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

If we substitute boundary condition into Eq. (46) and set x to $-L$ and L , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \kappa g_{-L} &= -U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi) \frac{\partial G(\xi, -L)}{\partial \xi} d\xi - \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi) G(\xi, -L) d\xi \\ &+ U [g_L G(L, -L) - g_{-L} G(-L, -L)] \\ &- \kappa [C'(L) G(L, -L) - C'(-L) G(-L, -L)], \\ &+ \kappa [g_L G_\xi(L, -L) - g_{-L} G_\xi(-L, -L)], \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \kappa g_L &= -U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi) \frac{\partial G(\xi, L)}{\partial \xi} d\xi - \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi) G(\xi, L) d\xi \\ &+ U [g_L G(L, L) - g_{-L} G(-L, L)] \\ &- \kappa [C'(L) G(L, L) - C'(-L) G(-L, L)] \\ &+ \kappa [g_L G_\xi(L, L) - g_{-L} G_\xi(-L, L)], \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

respectively. Eqs. (49), (50) and (51) are algebraic equations with unknowns $C(x)$ in $-L < x < L$, $C'(-L)$ and $C'(L)$. If we have $U=0$, then, Eqs. (50) and (51) are algebraic equations with unknowns $C'(-L)$ and $C'(L)$. Hence, we can determine $C'(-L)$ and $C'(L)$ solving Eqs. (50) and (51). This is the one-dimensional case of Boundary Element Method (BEM). Substituting $C'(-L)$ and $C'(L)$ into Eq. (49), we can obtain $C(x)$ in $-L < x < L$.

(2) Unsteady solution

If we know $C(x, t)$ in $-L \leq x \leq L$, Eq. (46) is an integral equation with unknowns $\partial C(x, t)/\partial t$ in $-L < x < L$,

$C_x(-L, t)$ and $C_x(L, t)$, where $G(x, \xi)$ is the kernel function of the integral equation.

We introduce, for example, a regular mesh:

$$dx = d\xi = 2L/N, \quad x_i = \xi_i = -L + (i + 0.5)dx$$

$$i = 0, 1, \dots, N-1, \quad (52)$$

$$t_n = ndt \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (53)$$

$$C_i^{(n)} = C(x_i, t_n), \quad \sigma_i^{(n)} = \sigma(x_i, t_n), \quad (54a)$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_j^{(n)} = \frac{\partial C(\xi_j, t_n)}{\partial t}. \quad (54b)$$

We prepare for discretization of Eq. (46)

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(\xi, t_n)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) d\xi \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} \frac{\partial C(\xi, t_n)}{\partial t} G(x, \xi) d\xi, \quad (55a) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_j^{(n)} \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} G(x, \xi) d\xi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[\frac{\partial C(\xi, t_n)}{\partial \xi} G(x, \xi) \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}, \quad (55b) \\ &= \frac{\partial C(L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} G(x, L) - \frac{\partial C(-L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} G(x, -L) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi, t_n) G(x, \xi) d\xi \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} \sigma(\xi, t_n) G(x, \xi) d\xi, \quad (55c) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sigma_j^{(n)} \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} G(x, \xi) d\xi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[C(\xi, t_n) \frac{\partial G(x, \xi)}{\partial \xi} \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L}, \quad (55d) \\ &= g_L(t_n) \frac{\partial G(x, L)}{\partial \xi} - g_{-L}(t_n) \frac{\partial G(x, -L)}{\partial \xi} \end{aligned}$$

where $\partial C(\xi_j, t_n)/\partial t = C_\xi(\xi_j, t_n)$ etc.

Eq. (46) can be discretized as

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left[\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \right]_j^{(n)} \Gamma_j(x) \\ &- \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} G(L, x) - \frac{\partial C(-L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} G(-L, x) \right] \\ &= \kappa \varepsilon(x) C(x, t_n) + U \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} C_j^{(n)} \Lambda_j(x) + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sigma_j^{(n)} \Gamma_j(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$-U[g_L(t_n)G(L, x) - g_{-L}(t_n)G(-L, x)] - \kappa \left[g_L(t_n) \frac{\partial G(L, x)}{\partial \xi} - g_{-L}(t_n) \frac{\partial G(-L, x)}{\partial \xi} \right], \quad (56)$$

where

$$\Gamma_j(x) = \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} G(x, \xi) d\xi, \quad \Lambda_j(x) = \int_{\xi_j - d\xi/2}^{\xi_j + d\xi/2} \frac{\partial G(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} d\xi. \quad (57)$$

The unknowns are $[\partial C / \partial t]_j^{(n)}$ ($j = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$), $\partial C(-L, t_n) / \partial \xi$ and $\partial C(L, t_n) / \partial \xi$. Eq. (56) is satisfied at the center points $x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}$ of elements and boundary points $x = 0, L$. Hence, we have $N+2$ equations for $N+2$ unknowns.

If we approximate $\partial C(-L, t_n) / \partial \xi$ and $\partial C(L, t_n) / \partial \xi$ by

$$\frac{\partial C(-L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} = \frac{2}{d\xi} (C(x_0, t_n) - C(-L, t_n)), \quad (58a)$$

$$\frac{\partial C(L, t_n)}{\partial \xi} = \frac{2}{d\xi} (C(L, t_n) - C(x_{N-1}, t_n)) \quad (58b)$$

and satisfy Eq. (56) at the center points $x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}$ of elements, then we have N equations for N unknowns.

Although IRM is mathematically complex and requires matrix inversion, but the accuracy of the numerical result is high. It can be applied to irregular mesh. If the computer code is properly written, the computational load may be comparable with Finite element Method (FEM).

4. Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM)

IRM is basically developed for a linear problem with a known fundamental solution for the differential equation. Hence, if we have an IBVP using a differential equation different from Eq. (1), for example:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = \kappa \frac{\partial^4 C}{\partial x^4} + \sigma \quad \text{in } -L < x < L \quad \& \quad t > 0, \quad (59)$$

we must find first a fundamental solution satisfying

$$\frac{\partial^4 G(x, \xi)}{\partial x^4} = \delta(x - \xi) \quad (60)$$

In order to apply IRM to any kinds of linear and nonlinear problems, we must generalize the method. For the purpose, we generalize the concept of the fundamental solution. We replace Eq. (43) by

$$\frac{\partial^2 \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} = \tilde{\delta}(x, \xi), \quad (61)$$

where $\tilde{\delta}(x, \xi)$ can be

$$\tilde{\delta}(x, \xi) \neq \delta(x - \xi). \quad (62)$$

$\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ is a generalized fundamental solution chosen properly, for example

$$\tilde{G}(x, \xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\gamma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \xi)^2}{2\gamma^2}\right) \quad (63)$$

The function $\tilde{\delta}(x, \xi)$ is not Dirac's delta function as in Eq. (43), but it is nothing but the second derivatives of $\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ with respect to x .

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ on both side of Eq. (1), we obtain similar to Eq. (41):

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial t} \tilde{G}(x, \xi) dx &= U \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} dx \\ &+ \kappa \int_{-L}^L C(x, t) \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x^2} dx \\ &- U [C(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi)]_{x=-L}^{x=L} \\ &+ \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(x, t)}{\partial x} \tilde{G}(x, \xi) - C(x, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L} \\ &+ \int_{-L}^L \sigma(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

Exchanging x and ξ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-L}^L \frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial t} \tilde{G}(\xi, x) d\xi &= U \int_{-L}^L C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} d\xi \\ &+ \kappa \int_{-L}^L C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{G}(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi^2} d\xi \\ &- U [C(\xi, t) \tilde{G}(\xi, x)]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L} \\ &+ \kappa \left[\frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial \xi} \tilde{G}(\xi, x) - C(\xi, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L} \\ &+ \int_{-L}^L \sigma(\xi, t) \tilde{G}(\xi, x) d\xi. \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

This is a generalized integral representation of Eq. (1). This integral representation is applied to numerical solution of IBVP in the similar way as discussed for IRM. This numerical method is called GIRM.

Numerical examples are given below. The initial condition is doublet-like and given by

$$C(x, 0) = \frac{\partial \delta(x - \xi)}{\partial \xi} \bigg|_{\xi=0} = -\frac{\partial \delta(x - \xi)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\xi=0} = -\frac{d\delta(x)}{dx}$$

$$\text{or } C_i^{(0)} = \begin{cases} -1/dx^2 & \text{for } i = N/2 - 1 \\ +1/dx^2 & \text{for } i = N/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (66)$$

We assume that L is big enough, and the boundary condition is specified as

$$C(\pm L, t) = C_x(\pm L, t) = 0. \quad (67)$$

The exact solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} C(x, t) &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\gamma t}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-Ut)^2}{4\gamma t}\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\gamma t}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-Ut)^2}{4\gamma t}\right) \frac{x-Ut}{2\gamma t} \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

The parameters for numerical calculations are as follows:

$$L = 4; \quad N = 160; \quad dx = 2L/8 = 0.05; \quad \gamma = 0.75dx;$$

$$dt = 0.0005; \quad T = 3000dt; \quad \kappa = 0.089; \quad U = 0, 1. \quad (69)$$

Numerical results are shown Figs. 1 and 2. Because of the singular initial condition, we need very fine mesh. The accuracy of the numerical results is very high. The numerical results coincide with the exact ones.

5. Further Generalization of General Integral Representation Method (GIRM)

A further generalization of GIRM in one-dimensional case is discussed below:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + F\left(x, t, u, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \dots, \frac{\partial^N u}{\partial x^N}\right) &= f(x, t) \\ \text{in } -L < x < L \quad \& \quad t > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (70)$$

Rewriting Eq. (70), we have

$$\theta_1 = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \quad \theta_2 = \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial x}, \quad \dots, \quad \theta_N = \frac{\partial \theta_{N-1}}{\partial x}, \quad (71)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + F(x, t, u, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_N) = f(x, t). \quad (72)$$

We introduce a generalized fundamental solution $\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ and the derivative $\tilde{\delta}_1(x, \xi)$ with respect to x , for example

$$\tilde{G}(x, \xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\gamma}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\xi)^2}{2\gamma^2}\right), \quad (73a)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} = \tilde{\delta}_1(x, \xi). \quad (73b)$$

We use the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \theta_{n-1}(x, t)}{\partial x} \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \\ = \frac{\partial \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} - \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

Applying Eq. (74) to each of Eq. (71), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{-L}^L \left[\theta_n(x, t) - \frac{\partial \theta_{n-1}(x, t)}{\partial x} \right] \tilde{G}(x, \xi) dx \\ &= \int_{-L}^L \left[\tilde{G}(x, \xi) \theta_n(x, t) - \frac{\partial \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \frac{\partial \tilde{G}(x, \xi)}{\partial x} \right] dx \\ &= \int_{-L}^L \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \theta_n(x, t) dx - \left[\theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L} \\ &\quad + \int_{-L}^L \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{\delta}_1(x, \xi) dx \end{aligned} \quad (75)$$

Rewriting Eq. (75), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-L}^L \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \theta_n(x, t) dx &= - \int_{-L}^L \theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{\delta}_1(x, \xi) dx \\ &\quad + \left[\theta_{n-1}(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \right]_{x=-L}^{x=L} \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

Exchanging x and ξ , we obtain a generalized integral representation:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-L}^L \tilde{G}(\xi, x) \theta_n(\xi, t) d\xi &= - \int_{-L}^L \theta_{n-1}(\xi, t) \tilde{\delta}_1(\xi, x) d\xi \\ &\quad + \left[\theta_{n-1}(\xi, t) \tilde{G}(\xi, x) \right]_{\xi=-L}^{\xi=L} \end{aligned} \quad (77)$$

Eq. (74) is the integral representation of Eq. (71).

The integral representation of Eq. (72) is obtained below.

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ on both sides of Eq. (72) and integrating in $\tilde{G}(x, \xi)$ with respect to t , we have

(a) Numerical solution

Figure 1. Doublet-like initial density distribution ($U=0$).

Figure 2. Doublet-like initial density distribution ($U=1$).

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 = & \int_{-L}^L \tilde{G}(x, \xi) \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} dx \\
 & + \int_{-L}^L F(x, t, u(x, t), \theta_1(x, t), \theta_2(x, t), \dots, \theta_N(x, t)) \tilde{G}(x, \xi) dx \\
 & - \int_{-L}^L f(x, t) \tilde{G}(x, \xi) dx.
 \end{aligned} \quad (78)$$

Exchanging x and ξ , we obtain a generalized integral representation for Eq. (72):

$$0 = \int_{-L}^L \tilde{G}(\xi, x) \frac{\partial u(\xi, t)}{\partial t} d\xi$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_{-L}^L F(\xi, t, u(\xi, t), \theta_1(\xi, t), \theta_2(\xi, t), \dots, \theta_N(\xi, t)) \tilde{G}(\xi, x) d\xi \\
 & - \int_{-L}^L f(\xi, t) \tilde{G}(\xi, x) d\xi.
 \end{aligned} \quad (79)$$

$u(x, t)$ is obtained by the following procedure:

$$u(x, t) \text{ is known} \rightarrow \theta_1(x, t) \text{ from Eq. (77)}$$

$$\rightarrow \theta_2(x, t) \text{ from Eq. (77)} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \theta_{n-1}(x, t)$$

$$\text{from Eq. (77)} \rightarrow \partial u(x, t) / \partial t \text{ from Eq. (79)} \rightarrow$$

$$u(x, t + dt) \text{ from } \partial u(x, t) / \partial t \rightarrow \text{repeat.} \quad (80)$$

6. Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM) in Multi-Dimensional Space

6.1. Application of GIRM to Diffusion in Flow

As a basis of discussion, we discuss the solution of Initial Boundary Value Problem (IBVP) of N_d -dimensional diffusion in a flow.

If x_i , ($i=1, 2, \dots, N_d$) and t refer to the coordinates and time, the diffusion equation in N_d -dimension is expressed as

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + U_i \frac{\partial C}{\partial x_i} = \kappa \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + \sigma. \quad (81)$$

The summation convention is used for the repeated indices, that is, $U_i \partial C / \partial x_i = U_1 \partial C / \partial x_1 + \dots + U_{N_d} \partial C / \partial x_{N_d}$ and $\partial^2 / \partial x_i \partial x_i = \partial^2 / \partial x_1^2 + \dots + \partial^2 / \partial x_{N_d}^2$. C , U_i and κ refer to the density of substance, velocity vector of a given flow and diffusion constant, respectively. Since it's not difficult to obtain two-dimensional expressions from three-dimensional ones, we develop theory using three-dimensional expressions below.

We rewrite the basic equation Eq. (81) as follows:

Non-uniformity equation:

$$\theta_i = \frac{\partial C}{\partial x_i}. \quad (82)$$

Constitutive equation:

$$q_i = -\kappa \theta_i. \quad (83)$$

Equilibrium equation:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + U_i \frac{\partial C}{\partial x_i} = -\frac{\partial q_i}{\partial x_i}. \quad (84)$$

We introduce Gaussian type generalized fundamental

solution $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ with scale γ_i , ($i = 1, 2, \dots, N_d$) [4,5], for example:

$$\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_d} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \gamma_i} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \xi_i)^2}{2\gamma_i^2}\right), \quad (85)$$

We obtain an integral representation of Eq. (82). From Eq. (85), we have

$$\frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} - C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi), \quad (86)$$

where

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} = \delta_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \quad (87)$$

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ on the both sides of Eq. (82) and integrating in region V , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \iiint_V \left[\theta_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} \right] \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \left[\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_i(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \left[\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_i(\mathbf{x}, t) + C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iint_S C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) n_{xi} dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (88)$$

Rewriting Eq. (88), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_i(\mathbf{x}, t) dV_{\mathbf{x}} &= - \iiint_V C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iint_S C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) n_{xi} dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (89)$$

Exchanging $\mathbf{x}$ and ξ in Eq. (89), we obtain a generalized integral representation for Eq. (82):

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) \theta_i(\xi, t) dV_{\xi} &= - \iiint_V C(\xi, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\xi, \mathbf{x}) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad + \iint_S \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) C(\xi, t) n_{\xi i} dS_{\xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (90)$$

A generalized integral representation of Eq. (84) is obtained similarly. From Eq. (87), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} \right) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) &= \frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} \\ &\quad - \frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) - U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \end{aligned} \quad (91a)$$

$$\frac{\partial q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \frac{\partial q_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} - q_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \quad (91b)$$

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ on the both sides of Eq. (84) and integrating in region V , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left[\frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} + U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\mathbf{x}} + \iiint_V \frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iiint_V \left[\frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) + U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iiint_V \left[\frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} - q_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\mathbf{x}} + \iint_S \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) n_{xi} dS_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iiint_V \left[\frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) + U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iint_S \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) q_i(\mathbf{x}, t) n_{xi} dS_{\mathbf{x}} - \iiint_V q_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (92)$$

Rewriting Eq. (92), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\mathbf{x}} &= \iiint_V [U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) + q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)] \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iiint_V \frac{\partial U_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} C(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iint_S \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) [U_i(\mathbf{x}, t) C(\mathbf{x}, t) + q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)] n_{xi} dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (93)$$

Exchanging $\mathbf{x}$ and ξ in Eq. (93), we obtain a generalized integral representation of Eq. (84):

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial C(\xi, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\xi} &= \iiint_V [U_i(\xi, t) C(\xi, t) + q_i(\xi, t)] \tilde{\delta}_i(\xi, \mathbf{x}) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad + \iiint_V \frac{\partial U_i(\xi, t)}{\partial \xi_i} C(\xi, t) \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad - \iint_S \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) [U_i(\xi, t) C(\xi, t) + q_i(\xi, t)] n_{\xi i} dS_{\xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (94)$$

Then, we can obtain $C(\mathbf{x}, t)$ numerically, if we use the following process:

$C(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is known $\rightarrow \theta_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$ from Eq. (90) $\rightarrow$

$q_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$ from Eq. (83) $\rightarrow \partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)/\partial t$ from

Eq. (94) $\rightarrow C(\mathbf{x}, t + dt)$ from $\partial C(\mathbf{x}, t)/\partial t \rightarrow$

add dt to $t \rightarrow$ repeat. (95)

Numerical examples in two-dimension are given below. The initial condition is given by

$$C(x, y, 0) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x}{L/8}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y}{B/8}\right)^2\right). \quad (96)$$

We assume that L is big enough, and the boundary condition is specified as

$$\begin{aligned} C(\pm L, y, t) &= C_x(\pm L, y, t) = 0, \\ C(x, \pm B, t) &= C_x(x, \pm B, t) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (97)$$

The exact solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &C(x, y, t) \cdot \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi\nu t} \int_{-L}^L \int_{-B}^B \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\xi-Ut)^2 + (y-\eta)^2}{4\nu t}\right) C(\xi, \eta, 0) d\xi d\eta. \end{aligned} \quad (98)$$

In order to reduce spurious oscillation, it is effective to use the finer mesh, but it invites serious increase of computation time and memory. Addition of a numerical damping is:

$$-\alpha \left[C_{ij}^{(n)} - \frac{1}{8} (C_{i+1j}^{(n)} + C_{i-1j}^{(n)} + C_{ij+1}^{(n)} + C_{ij-1}^{(n)} + 4C_{ij}^{(n)}) \right] \quad (99)$$

to $C_{ij}^{(n)}$ at every time step of the time evolution of $C_{ij}^{(n)}$, where α is damping constant. Furthermore, if the discontinuity of initial density distribution invites serious errors, it is effective to replace $C_{ij}^{(0)}$ with a filtered value such as

$$\frac{1}{8} (C_{i+1j}^{(0)} + C_{i-1j}^{(0)} + C_{ij+1}^{(0)} + C_{ij-1}^{(0)} + 4C_{ij}^{(0)}). \quad (100)$$

For the reduction of computation time, numerical integrals including G and δ_i on the right hand sides of Eq. (90) and (94) with respect to ξ are conducted in the neighborhood of $\mathbf{x}$:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I(i, j, m, n) \approx \sum_{|i-m| \leq bdw} \sum_{|j-n| \leq bdw} I(i, j, m, n). \quad (101)$$

The parameters for numerical calculations are as follows:

$$L = B = 8; \quad M = N = 21, 41; \quad dx = dy = 2L/M;$$

$$\gamma_x = \gamma_y = 0.75dx; \quad dt = 0.005; \quad T = 500dt; \quad \kappa = 0.1;$$

$$U = 0, 1; \quad \alpha = 0, 0.01; \quad ini_fil = \text{on, off}; \quad bdw = 3. \quad (102)$$

Numerical results are shown in Figs. 3 and 4. The accuracy of the numerical results is very high. The numerical results coincide with the exact ones. The spurious oscillation in Fig. 4 is reduced by increasing M and N , but it invites serious increase of computation time and memory. As shown in Fig. 5, the initial density filter and/or artificial damping given by Eqs. (99) and (100), respectively, can reduce the spurious oscillation.

6.2. Application of GIRM to Burgers' Equation

As a basis of discussion, we discuss the solution of one-dimensional Initial Boundary Value Problem (IBVP) of N_d -dimensional Burgers' equation.

If x_i , ($i = 1, 2, \dots, N_d$) and t refer to the coordinates and time, the fluid motion in N_d -dimension is expressed as

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_j}, \quad (103)$$

The summation convention is used for the repeated indices, that is, $\partial^2/\partial x_i \partial x_i = \partial^2/\partial x_1^2 + \dots + \partial^2/\partial x_{N_d}^2$. u_i , ($i = 1, 2, \dots, N_d$) refers to the velocity vector. ν is the kinematic viscosity. Since it's not difficult to obtain two-dimensional expressions from three-dimensional ones, we develop theory using three-dimensional expressions below.

We rewrite the basic equations Eq. (103) as follows:

Non-uniformity equation:

$$\theta_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}. \quad (104)$$

Constitutive equation:

$$q_{ij} = -\nu \theta_{ij}. \quad (105)$$

Equilibrium equation:

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \theta_{ij} = -\frac{\partial q_{ij}}{\partial x_j}. \quad (106)$$

We introduce Gaussian type Generalized Fundamental Solution (GFM) $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ with scale γ_i , ($i = 1, 2, \dots, N_d$) [4,5]:

$$\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_d} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \gamma_i} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \xi_i)^2}{2\gamma_i^2}\right), \quad (107)$$

We obtain an integral representation of Eq. (104). From Eq. (107), we have

$$\frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_j} - u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \quad (108)$$

where

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_i} = \tilde{\delta}_i(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \quad (109)$$

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ on the both sides of Eq. (104) and integrating in region V , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \iiint_V \left[\theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} \right] \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \left[\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_j} + u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \left[\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) + u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iint_S u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) n_{x_j} dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (110)$$

Rewriting Eq. (110), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) dV_{\mathbf{x}} &= - \iiint_V u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iint_S u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) n_{x_j} dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (111)$$

Exchanging $\mathbf{x}$ and ξ in Eq. (111), we obtain a generalized integral representation for Eq. (106):

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) \theta_{ij}(\xi, t) dV_{\xi} &= - \iiint_V u_i(\xi, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\xi, \mathbf{x}) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad + \iint_S \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) u_i(\xi, t) n_{\xi_j} dS_{\xi} \end{aligned} \quad (112)$$

The generalized integral representation of Eq. (106) is obtained similarly. From Eq. (107), we have

$$\frac{\partial q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) = \frac{\partial q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)}{\partial x_j} - q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi). \quad (113)$$

Multiplying $\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ on the both sides of Eq. (106) and integrating in region V , we obtain

(a) Numerical solution

(b) Exact solution

Figure 3. Exponential initial density distribution ($N=21$, $\alpha=0$, $ini_fil=off$).

(a) Numerical solution

(b) Exact solution

Figure 4. Rectangular initial density distribution ($N=41$, $\alpha=0$, $ini_fil=off$).

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \left[\frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} + u_j(\mathbf{x}, t) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{\partial q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \left[\tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} + \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) u_j(\mathbf{x}, t) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad + \iiint_V \left[\frac{\partial \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} - q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \right] dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\mathbf{x}} + \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) u_j(\mathbf{x}, t) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \iint_S \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) n_j dS_{\mathbf{x}} - \iiint_V q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}}. \quad (114)$$

Rewriting Eq. (114), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\mathbf{x}} &= \iiint_V q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) u_j(\mathbf{x}, t) \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) dV_{\mathbf{x}} \\ &\quad - \iint_S \tilde{G}(\mathbf{x}, \xi) q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) n_j dS_{\mathbf{x}}. \end{aligned} \quad (115)$$

Exchanging $\mathbf{x}$ and ξ in Eq. (115), we obtain a generalized integral representation of Eq. (38):

$$\begin{aligned} \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial u_i(\xi, t)}{\partial t} dV_{\xi} &= \iiint_V q_{ij}(\xi, t) \tilde{\delta}_j(\xi, \mathbf{x}) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad - \iiint_V \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) u_j(\xi, t) \theta_{ij}(\xi, t) dV_{\xi} \\ &\quad - \iint_S \tilde{G}(\xi, \mathbf{x}) q_{ij}(\xi, t) n_{\xi j} dS_{\xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (116)$$

Then, we can obtain $u_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$ numerically, if we use the following process:

$$\begin{aligned} u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \text{ is known} &\rightarrow \theta_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \text{ from Eq. (112)} \\ &\rightarrow q_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \text{ from Eq. (105)} \rightarrow \partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) / \partial t \\ \text{from Eq. (116)} &\rightarrow u_i(\mathbf{x}, t + dt) \text{ from } \partial u_i(\mathbf{x}, t) / \partial t \\ &\rightarrow \text{add } dt \text{ to } t \rightarrow \text{repeat.} \end{aligned} \quad (117)$$

Numerical examples in two-dimension are given below. The initial condition is given by

$$u(x, y, 0) = v(x, y, 0) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x}{L/8}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y}{B/8}\right)^2\right). \quad (118)$$

We assume that L is big enough, and the boundary condition is specified as

$$u(\pm L, y, t) = u(x, \pm B, t) = 0, \quad (119a)$$

$$v(\pm L, y, t) = v(x, \pm B, t) = 0. \quad (119b)$$

(a) $\alpha=0$ and $ini_fil=off$

(b) $\alpha=0$ and $ini_fil=on$

(c) $\alpha=0.01$ and $ini_fil=off$

(d) $\alpha=0.01$ and $ini_fil=on$

Figure 5. Rectangular initial density distribution ($N=41$).

The exact solution of two-dimensional Burgers' equation is very difficult. Hence, we compare the numerical solutions by GIRM with those by FDM.

In order to reduce spurious oscillation, it is effective to use the finer mesh, but it invites serious increase of computation time and memory. Addition of a numerical damping:

$$-\alpha \left\{ \begin{aligned} &u_{ij}^{(n)} - \frac{1}{8} (u_{i+1j}^{(n)} + u_{ij+1}^{(n)} + u_{i-1j}^{(n)} + u_{ij-1}^{(n)} + 4u_{ij}^{(n)}) \\ &v_{ij}^{(n)} - \frac{1}{8} (v_{i+1j}^{(n)} + v_{ij+1}^{(n)} + v_{i-1j}^{(n)} + v_{ij-1}^{(n)} + 4v_{ij}^{(n)}) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (120)$$

to $u_{ij}^{(n)}$ and $v_{ij}^{(n)}$ at every time step of the time evolution of $u_{ij}^{(n)}$ and $v_{ij}^{(n)}$, where α is damping constant. Furthermore, if the discontinuity of initial density distribution invites serious errors, it is effective to replace $u_{ij}^{(0)}$ and $v_{ij}^{(0)}$ with a filtered value such as

$$\frac{1}{8} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{i+1j}^{(0)} + u_{ij+1}^{(0)} + u_{i-1j}^{(0)} + u_{ij-1}^{(0)} + u_{ij}^{(0)} \\ v_{i+1j}^{(0)} + v_{ij+1}^{(0)} + v_{i-1j}^{(0)} + v_{ij-1}^{(0)} + v_{ij}^{(0)} \end{array} \right\}. \quad (121)$$

For the reduction of computation time, numerical integrals including G and δ_1 on the right hand sides of Eq. (112) and (116) with respect to ξ are conducted in the neighborhood of $\mathbf{x}$:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} I(i, j, m, n) \approx \sum_{|i-m| \leq bdw} \sum_{|j-n| \leq bdw} I(i, j, m, n). \quad (122)$$

The parameters for numerical calculations are as follows:

$$L = B = 8; \quad M = N = 21, 41; \quad dx = dy = 2L/M;$$

$$\gamma_x = \gamma_y = 0.75dx; \quad dt = 0.0025; \quad T = 4000dt;$$

$$\kappa = 0.01; \quad U = 0; \quad \alpha = 0; \quad ini_fil = off; \quad bdw = 3. \quad (123)$$

Numerical results are shown in Figs. 6, 7 and 8. The solutions by GIRM are similar to those by FDM. However, if we check carefully both results, the solutions by GIRM are more accurate than those by FDM.

7. Conclusions

In the present paper, Integral Representation Method (IRM) and Generalized Integral Representation Method (GIRM) are explained from very basic level to advanced level, and the relationships with other numerical methods such as Finite Difference Method (FDM) and Collocation Method (CM) etc. are clarified.

(a) GIRM solution

(b) FDM solution

Figure 6. Exponential initial density distribution ($N=21$).

(a) GIRM solution

(b) FDM solution

Figure 7. Exponential initial density distribution ($N=31$).

(a) GIRM solution

(b) FDM solution

Figure 8. Exponential initial density distribution ($N=41$).

IRM is one of convenient methods to solve Initial and Boundary Value Problems (IBVP) [1-3]. It can be applied to irregular mesh, and the solution is stable and accurate. However, it was originally developed for linear equations with known fundamental solutions. We generalized IRM [4-6]. In GIRM, we have shown that the proper fundamental solution can be determined in advance. Determination of the fundamental solution in advance may always be possible. Usually, it is a good choice to use Gaussian function as the fundamental solution.

In the present paper, the generalization of IRM was discussed not only from the theoretical viewpoint, but also from the computational aspect. GIRM was applied to one- and two-dimensional diffusion problems, and two-dimensional Burgers' equation. The numerical results are stable and accurate.

As the further direction, improvements of stability, accuracy and computational efficiency is very important [7,8].

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