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$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &\approx 1 \\ k_{diss} &\sim [2(\omega^2 + j^2)]^{1/4} \sqrt{R} \\ &\text{or } \sim E_{forcy}^{1/4} \gamma^{-3/4} \\ &\text{or } \sim k_0 R^{3/4} \\ &\quad \text{2-e-scale} \end{aligned}$$

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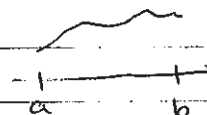
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- A: dealiasing
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References.

I BASIC PROPERTIES OF SPECTRAL METHODSA. Approximations To A function by Least Squares

## (1) Representation of a function in Hilbert Space.

 $f(x)$   $a \leq x \leq b$  "suitably well behaved" $\{\phi_n\}$   $n = 0, 1, \dots, \infty$  defined on  $[a, b]$ orthonormal basis  $(\phi_n, \phi_m) = \delta_{nm}$   
and "complete".seek expansion  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \phi_n(x)$ 

$$A_n = (\phi_n, f)$$

(2) Best approximation using a finite set  $\{\phi_n\}$  $\|f\|$  = Euclidean ( $L_2$ ) norm.  $\sqrt{(f, f)} = \left( \int_a^b f^* f dx \right)^{1/2}$  $\|f\|$  = weighted  $L_2$  norm  $\sqrt{(f, f)} = \left( \int_a^b f^* f w(x) dx \right)^{1/2}$ seek approximation to  $f$ 

$$f(x) \approx \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \phi_n A_n = f_N$$

that MINIMIZE the norm of the residual

$$\|f - f_N\| = \left\| f - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \phi_n A_n \right\|$$

MINIMIZE this with respect to  $A_n$ , all  $n$ .same as minimizing  $\|f - f_N\|^2$  since norm is positive $\therefore$  it is a least squares fit

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial A_e} (f - f_N, f - f_N) = 0 \quad \left[ \text{and } \frac{\partial}{\partial A_e^*} (f - f_N, f - f_N) = 0 \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial A_e} \left\{ \int_a^b f^* f dx + \sum_n \int_a^b A_n^* A_n |\phi_n|^2 dx - \sum_n \int_a^b f^* A_n \phi_n dx - \sum_n \int_a^b A_n^* \phi_n^* f dx \right\} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_e^* (\phi_e, \phi_e) - \underbrace{\int_a^b f^* \phi_e dx}_{(f, \phi_e)} = 0$$

$$A_e^* = (f, \phi_e)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial A_e^*} (f - f_N, f - f_N) = 0 \Rightarrow A_e = (\phi_e, f)$$

Note

- the approximate (least-squares) expression for  $A_e$  is the same as the exact one.
- the approximate  $A_e$  is independent of  $N$

③ Approximation with a non-orthonormal, but linearly independent set  $\{\psi_n\}$   $n = 0, \dots, N-1$

~~For now~~

look for an approximation  $f(x) \approx \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} B_n \psi_n \hat{=} f_N$

(for convenience assume everything is real)

Also, to get a little more general result assume the norm may be a discrete "seminorm", or continuous

in discrete case  $\{x_i\}$   $\|g\|_d = \sqrt{\sum_i |g(x_i)|^2}$

$(g, f)_{\text{discrete}} = \sum_i g(x_i) f(x_i)$

Seek the least squares approximation that minimizes

$$\left\| f - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} B_n \psi_n \right\|^2 = \left\| f - f_N \right\|^2.$$

use a different approach here because we have linear independence to use, but not orthogonality.

A CONDITION on the solution:

Consider an arbitrary series, distinct from  $f_N$ ,  $\sum C_n \psi_n$

initially, 
$$\sum C_n \psi_n - f = \sum (C_n - B_n) \psi_n + f_N - f$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum C_n \psi_n - f \right\|^2 &= \left\| \sum (C_n - B_n) \psi_n \right\|^2 + \left\| f_N - f \right\|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \left( \sum (C_n - B_n) \psi_n, f_N - f \right) \end{aligned}$$

suppose the residual  $f_N - f$  is orthogonal to every  $\psi_n$ .

then it is also orthogonal to  $\sum (C_n - B_n) \psi_n$ .

the remainder is sum of two positive terms, thus

$$\left\| \sum C_n \psi_n - f \right\|^2 \geq \left\| f_N - f \right\|^2.$$

therefore  $f_N$  is the best (least square) solution provided that  $(f_N - f, \psi_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$ .

But this is simply the statement that

$$\left( \sum_n B_n \psi_n - f, \psi_e \right) = \sum_n B_n (\psi_n, \psi_e) - (f, \psi_e) = 0$$

These are the Normal equations, a matrix problem.

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\psi_0, \psi_0) & \dots & (\psi_0, \psi_{N-1}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\psi_{N-1}, \psi_0) & \dots & (\psi_{N-1}, \psi_{N-1}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0 \\ \vdots \\ B_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (f, \psi_0) \\ \vdots \\ (f, \psi_{N-1}) \end{pmatrix}$$

if  $(\psi_n, \psi_e) = \delta_{ne}$  it reduces to the previous result

the solutions to the Normal equations exists and is unique!

$$\sum_n (\psi_m, \psi_e) B_n = (f, \psi_e) \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

the matrix problem has a solution unless the homogeneous problem has a solution, the homogeneous problem is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (\psi_m, \psi_e) B_n = 0 \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

if it has a solution with at least one  $B_n \neq 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \| \sum B_n \psi_n \|^2 &= \left( \sum B_n \psi_m, \sum B_e \psi_e \right) \\ &= \sum_{m,n} \sum_e (\psi_m, \psi_e) B_n B_e \\ &= \sum_n 0 \cdot B_e = 0 \end{aligned}$$

but then  $\{\psi_m\}$  are not linearly independent

$\therefore$  if  $\{\psi_n\}$  are linearly independent the least squares approximation is non trivial and unique.

#### ④ Completeness and complete orthonormal sets for use in approximations

→ A few facts from finite dimensional vector space theory (u, v, w are vectors in vector space V)

- inner product  $\rightarrow (u, v) = (v, u)^*$
- $\rightarrow (\alpha u + \beta v, w) = \alpha^* (u, w) + \beta^* (v, w)$
- $\rightarrow (u, u) \geq 0 \quad \forall u, = 0 \text{ iff } u = 0$

- Bessel's inequality: suppose  $\{u_i\} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are linearly independent, then for all  $V$

$$\|V\|^2 = (V, V) \geq \sum_i (u_i, V)^2$$

- the linearly independent set  $\{u_i\} = U$  can always be made orthonormal by Gram-Schmidt procedure.

Completeness of the set  $\{u_i\} = U$  ( $i=1, \dots, n$ )

Amounts to any one of the following, each of which follows from any of the others.

- $U$  is complete (in  $V$ )
- if  $(w, u_i) = 0$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  then  $w = 0$
- $U$  spans  $V$
- if  $w$  is in  $V$  then  $w = \sum_i (u_i, w) u_i$
- if  $U, V$  are in  $V$  then  $(w, v) = \sum_i (w, u_i) (u_i, v)$
- if  $v$  is in  $V$  then  $\|v\|^2 = \sum_i |(u_i, v)|^2$   
(Bessel's inequality, with the equals sign)

→ Infinite dimensional (function) spaces are more difficult

In particular, when we represent  $f(x)$  by a series of  $\phi_n(x)$

as in 
$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \phi_n A_n$$

We might mean

i) the r.h.s. converges to  $f(x)$  at all  $x$  (pointwise or uniform convergence)  
(close analogy to finite dimensional spaces)

or

ii) convergence in the mean

e.g. 
$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \left| f(x) - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_n \phi_n(x) \right|^2 dx = 0$$

the latter, weaker convergence, is just the statement that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \|f - f_N\|^2 = 0$$

where  $f_N$  is the sequence of least squares approximations



③  $\Rightarrow$  Where do complete orthonormal sets, <sup>of  $\{\phi_n\}$</sup>  come from?

Start with any second order linear differential operator, and its eigenvalue problem, on the interval  $a \leq x \leq b$

$$\mathcal{L}u = \lambda u$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}u = a(x)u'' + b(x)u' + c(x)u = \lambda u$$

define the inner product as

$$(u, v) = \int_a^b u^* v w(x) dx$$

$\mathcal{L}$  can be shown to be self-adjoint (Hermitian)  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{real eigenvalues} \\ \psi \end{array} \right.$

i.e.  $(u, \mathcal{L}v) = (\mathcal{L}u, v)$

provided that

①  $w(x)$  is chosen to be the solution to  $(wa)' = wb$

and

$$\textcircled{2} [wa(u^*v' - v u^{*'})]_a^b = 0$$

which holds for a number of cases including

eg Dirichlet  
Neumann b.c.s.

$$u = v = 0 \quad \text{at } x=a \text{ and } x=b$$

$$u' = v' = 0 \quad \text{at } x=a \text{ and } x=b$$

The differential equation can be rewritten in Sturm-Liouville form

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[ p(x) \frac{du}{dx} \right] - s(x)u + \lambda w(x)u = 0$$

where  $p = wa$  and  $s = wc$

$$\text{or } \mathcal{L}'u = \lambda w(x)u$$



For S-L problem (with proper boundary condition).  $L \phi_n = \lambda_n w \phi_n$

- Self adjoint  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda \text{ is real} \\ (\psi_n, \psi_l) = 0 \text{ unless } n=l. \end{array} \right.$

- orthonormal set

- Completeness

Fourier Series

Bessel functions

various polynomials

- Jacobi
- Gegenbauer
- Chebyshev
- Legendre
- Hermite
- Laguerre.

NB  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{on the finite interval the S-L } \{\psi_n\} \\ \text{are complete whenever } \lambda_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{[characteristic scale } l_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty] \end{array} \right.$

- Rate of convergence of  $f(x) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} A_l \phi_l$

→ always at least algebraic

$$A_l \sim \frac{1}{l^2} \text{ as } l \rightarrow \infty$$

often  $\sim \frac{1}{l^3}$

→ NON SINGULAR S-L problem  $p(x) > 0$   $w(x) > 0$   
in  $a \leq x \leq b$

algebraic convergence except  
when special conditions are satisfied  
at the boundaries

→ singular S.L problem, e.g.  $p(a) = 0$  ~~on~~  
 relaxes the convergence conditions so the order  
 of convergence rate depends on the  
 smoothness of  $f(x)$  near  $x=a$ ,  
 not on the boundary conditions

(6) Fourier series  $f(x) \approx \sum_{-K}^{+K} a_k e^{ikx}$  } least squares approximation

- $f(x)$  smooth and periodic (no discontinuities)

Uniform convergence.

- $f(x)$  nonperiodic or has an interior discontinuity

⇒ Gibbs phenomenon near region of  
 $x$  near  $x_0$  of size  $\sim \frac{1}{K}$  as  $K \rightarrow \infty$

- rate of convergence

$$a_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

suppose  $f$  is periodic and has continuous derivatives  
 up to order  $n-1$  and  $\frac{d^n f(x)}{dx^n}$  is integrable.

then, integrating by parts

$$a_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(ik)^n} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d^n f(x)}{dx^n} e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$\text{then } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d^n f}{dx^n} e^{-ikx} dx \ll 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{and } |a_k| \ll \frac{1}{|k|^n} \text{ as } |k| \rightarrow \infty$$

Therefore if  $f$  is infinitely differentiable

$$|a_k| \rightarrow 0 \text{ faster than any power of } k \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

$f$  continuous,  $f'$  integrable  $a_k \ll 1/k$   $k \rightarrow \infty$

$f'$  piecewise continuous  $a_k \sim 1/k^2$   $k \rightarrow \infty$

estimates of convergence of least squares approximation  
with  $K$  the maximum wavenumber

if  $a_k \rightarrow \frac{1}{k^n}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  but not faster

then  $\frac{d^{n-1}f}{dx^{n-1}}$  is discontinuous

therefore

$f_K - f = O(K^{-n})$  away from the discontinuity

$= O(K^{-n+1})$  when  $x - x_{\text{discontinuity}} = O(1/K)$

IF  $f$  is infinitely differentiable and periodic

$f_K \rightarrow f$  faster than any power of  $1/K$

⑦ Chebyshev series

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n T_n(x) \quad -1 \leq x \leq +1$$

is closely related to Fourier series since

$$T_n(\cos \theta) = \cos n\theta$$

$\Rightarrow$  if  $f(x)$  is infinitely differentiable,  $f_N = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_n T_n(x)$

converges to  $f$  faster than any power of  $1/N$

$\Rightarrow$  No Gibbs phenomenon at  $x = \pm 1$  (singular S-L problem)

$\Rightarrow$  Gibbs phenomenon at interior discontinuities

$\Rightarrow$  Minimax property: Maximum of the remainder is minimum, all polynomials of degree  $N$  approximating  $f$

### B. TYPES OF SPECTRAL METHODS

#### ① Galerkin ("Spectral") method

$$u_N = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n(t) \phi_n(x). \quad (1)$$

is an approximation to  $u(t)$ , satisfying

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = H(u) \quad H = \text{nonlinear differential operator} \quad (2)$$

[where the  $\{\phi_n\}$  each satisfy the boundary conditions on  $u$ ]

Assume that  $u$  is "exact" at some time  $t$

- i) work with the best (least squares) approximation to  $u$ , of the form (1); i.e.  $u_N$
- ii) calculate the best (least squares) approximation to  $H(u_N)$ , of the form (1).

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right)_N = \sum_{i=1}^N B_i \phi_i \quad u_N = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n \phi_n.$$

$$= \left( \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right)_N - H(u_N), \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}\right)_N - H(u_N) \right) \quad \text{by setting } \frac{\partial B_i}{\partial t} = 0 = \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial t}$$

$$\text{results in } B_e = (\phi_e, H(u_N))$$

or since  
 $B_e = \frac{\partial A_e}{\partial t}$

$$\frac{\partial A_e}{\partial t} = \left( \phi_e(x), H\left(\sum_{i=1}^N A_i \phi_i(x)\right) \right)$$

where  $(\phi_e, \phi_m) = \delta_{em}$  has been used (orthonormal basis)



This prescription can also be written using projection operators  $P_N$

Recall: projection operators satisfy

$$P_N^2 u = P_N u$$

$$(P_N^2 - P_N) u = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P_N u = \lambda u \quad \text{has solutions for } \lambda = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$(I - P_N)$  is a projection onto a space orthogonal to the space projected onto by  $P_N$

the spectral equation in terms of  $P_N$ 's are

$$\frac{\partial u_N}{\partial t} = P_N H (P_N u_N)$$

calculate inner product with  $\phi_e$ , on (2)

~~Here we don't assume  $(\phi_e, \phi_n)$  are~~

~~$$\sum_{n=1}^N (\phi_e, \phi_n) \frac{\partial A_n}{\partial t} = (\phi_e, H(\sum_{n=1}^N \phi_n A_n))$$~~

~~$$\text{consider } (\phi_e, \sum_{n=1}^N \phi_n A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^N (\phi_e, \phi_n) A_n$$~~

$$\sum_n (\phi_e, \phi_n) \frac{\partial A_n}{\partial t} = (\phi_e, H(\sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i A_i))$$

$$\frac{\partial A_e}{\partial t} = (\phi_e, H(\sum_i A_i \phi_i))$$

can be easily generalized for linearly independent but non orthogonal  $\{\phi_n\}$

② Collocation (Method of Selected points, pseudospectral).

(1)  $u_N = \sum_{e=1}^N A_e \phi_e.$   $\{\phi_e\}$  each satisfy boundary conditions on  $u$ .

(2)  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = H(u)$

i) select a set of points  $x_i$   $i=1, 2, \dots, N$

ii) require that  $u_N(x_i) = u(x_i)$

to determine  $A_e \Rightarrow \sum_{e=1}^N A_e \phi_e(x_i) = u(x_i)$

point of view 1:

Eq. (2) is solved in  $(x, t)$  at the points  $\{x_i\}$ , using the interpolating function

$$u_N = \sum_{e=1}^N A_e \phi_e$$

to evaluate all derivatives, by differentiations  $\phi_e$  numerically or analytically

point of view 2:

$\{A_e\}$  coefficients are advanced in time, with the operations, especially nonlinear ones in  $H(u)$  evaluated by forming  $u_N(x_i)$  and doing them in  $\{x_i\}$  space.

properties i) and ii) serve to define  $P_N$

### ③ TAB Method

$$u_N = \sum_{n=1}^{N+K} A_n(t) \phi_n(x)$$

$\phi_n$  do NOT satisfy boundary conditions separately  
but they are orthonormal.

i) the first  $N$  terms  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N$   
satisfy a least squares approximation

ii) the last  $k$  terms are chosen to  
satisfy  $k$  boundary constraints

then for  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = H(u)$

$$\frac{\partial A_n}{\partial t} = (\phi_n, H(u_N)) \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N+K} A_n \mathcal{B} \phi_n = 0$$

determines  $A_{N+1}, \dots, A_{N+K}$

where  $\mathcal{B}$  is an operator  
evaluating  $u_N$  at  
the boundaries in  
the proper way.



## C ADVANTAGES (and some DISADVANTAGES) OF SPECTRAL METHODS

- ① lack of phase errors

suppose you have  $u_N = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n \phi_n$

and you want  $u_N' = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n \phi_n'$

if you can calculate  $\phi_n'$  exactly, the derivative is exact, up to roundoff.

### Fourier Series

$$u_N = \sum A_n e^{in\pi x}$$

$$u_N' = \sum A_n i n \pi e^{in\pi x}$$

$$= \sum B_n e^{in\pi x}$$

$$B_n = i n \pi A_n$$

### Chebyshev series

$$u_N = \sum A_n T_n(x)$$

$$u_N' = \sum B_n T_n(x)$$

$$= \sum A_n T_n'(x)$$

Directly

From ~~recursion formula~~

$$T_n(x) = \cos(n \arccos x)$$

$$T_0' = 0$$

$$T_1' = T_0$$

$$T_2' = 4T_1$$

$$\text{for } n \geq 2 \quad \frac{T_{n+1}'}{n+1} = 2T_n(x) + \frac{T_{n-1}'(x)}{n-1}$$

Thus  $(B_n)$  is obtainable from  $(A_n)$  by

a matrix multiply.

-or- for finite  $N$  you could just numerically evaluate  $T_n'(x)$  for the needed points (pseudospectral) once

This is in contrast to the phase errors that are sometimes substantial in finite difference schemes!

e.g.

$$\Delta u_j = \frac{u_{j+1} - u_{j-1}}{2\Delta}$$

applied to  $u \sim e^{imx}$

gives

$$\Delta u_j = \frac{e^{imx_{j+1}} - e^{imx_{j-1}}}{2\Delta} = \frac{e^{imx_j}}{2\Delta} (e^{im\Delta} - e^{-im\Delta})$$

$$= iu \frac{\sin m\Delta}{\Delta}$$

$$\approx iu \left( m\Delta - \frac{(m\Delta)^3}{6} + \dots \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{m^2\Delta^2}{6} + \dots \right) iu$$

need  $m\Delta \ll 1$  for accuracy

error is order  $(m\Delta)^2$ .

... etc for  $u''$ , though gets better for higher order methods

② closely related ... Algebraic differentiation

→ less operations

→ less subtractions

③ HANDLING of boundary conditions.

Galerkin and pseudo spectral : exact!

but restricted in which boundary conditions can be handled.

④ High order convergence of the approximations

- infinite order in some cases

⑤ Global nature

- can slide collocation points around for local effects

⑥ Control over resolution

# D Simple Examples

(Hussaini, Street and Zang, ICASE 172248)

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$$

periodic in  $x$   
 $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$

INITIAL CONDITION

$$u(x, 0) = \sin(\pi \cos x)$$

exact solution is

$$u(x, t) = \sin(\pi \cos(x-t))$$

Fourier expansion of exact  $u(x, t)$

$$u(x, t) = \sum_k A_k(t) e^{ikx}$$

$$A_k(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sin[\pi \cos(x-t)] e^{-ikx} dx$$

Using the generating function for Bessel function

$$e^{\frac{z}{2}(t-1/t)} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(z) t^m$$

evaluated at  $t = ie^{i\theta}$

$$e^{iz \cos \theta} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(z) e^{im\theta} i^m$$

let  $z = \pi$ ,  $\theta = x-t$

$$e^{i\pi \cos(x-t)} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} J_m(\pi) e^{im(x-t)} i^m$$

then calculate the related integral

$$I_k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} i^m J_m(\pi) e^{im(x-t)} e^{-ikx}$$

$$I_k = \sum_m i^m J_m(\pi) e^{-imt} \delta_{mk}$$

$$I_k = i^k J_k(\pi) e^{-ikt}$$

use  $J_{-k} = (-1)^k J_k$

$$\text{Then } A_k = \frac{I_k - I_{-k}^*}{2} = \frac{i^k - (-i)(-1)^k J_k(\pi) e^{-ikt}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{A_k = \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) J_k(\pi) e^{-ikt}}$$

Notice several things

- $|A_k(t)|^2 = \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) J_k^2(\pi)$  independent of time

its a linear wave equation, phases of modes change, but "energy" doesn't undergo spectral transfer.

- for large  $k$   $J_k(\pi) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \left(\frac{e\pi}{2k}\right)^{+k}$

thus  $k^p A_k \rightarrow \sin\left(\frac{\pi k}{2}\right) \frac{k^{p-1/2} k^{-k}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\right)$

$$\simeq k^{p-1/2} e^{-k \ln k} \left(\right)$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \text{ for all fixed } p \text{ when } k \rightarrow \infty$$

"infinite order"

numerical methods.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$$

Galerkin  $\frac{\partial A_k}{\partial t} = -ik A_k$

pseudo spectral choose  $x_j = \frac{2\pi j}{N}$   $j = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$

$$\frac{\partial u(x_j)}{\partial t} = - \left. \frac{\partial \hat{u}}{\partial x} \right|_{x=x_j}$$

$$\hat{u} = \text{interpolating function} = \sum_{k=-N/2+1}^{N/2} A_k e^{ikx}$$

where  $A_k$  is calculated from the numerical solution

in  $x$ -space by  $A_k = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} u(x_j) e^{-ikx_j}$

Numerical Results (4<sup>th</sup> order Runge-Kutta time step)  
at  $t=1$

N	<u>Galerkin</u>	<u>Pseudospectral</u>	<u>Finite diff.</u>	
			<u>2<sup>nd</sup> order</u>	<u>4<sup>th</sup> order</u>
8	$9.8 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.62 \times 10^{-1}$	1.11	$9.62 \times 10^{-1}$
16	$2.55 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.97 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.13 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.36 \times 10^{-4}$
32	$1.05 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.03 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.99 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.67 \times 10^{-2}$
64	$6.22 \times 10^{-13}$	$9.55 \times 10^{-12}$	$5.42 \times 10^{-2}$ <del>1.32 x 10</del>	$1.85 \times 10^{-5}$
128	—	—	$1.37 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.18 \times 10^{-5}$

- ② An analytically solvable problem is 2D  
 kinematic MHD  
 2D periodic geometry

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla a = 0$$

$$a = a(x, y, t) \quad \underline{v} = \underline{v}(x, y) \text{ independent of time}$$

$$\begin{cases} a(x, y, 0) = -\sin 2y - \frac{1}{10} \sin 2x \\ \underline{v}(x, y) = -2 \sin x \hat{y} \end{cases}$$

Solution is

$$\begin{aligned} a(x, y, t) &= a(x, y + 2t \sin x, 0) \\ &= -\frac{1}{10} \sin 2x - \sin [2(y + 2t \sin x)] \end{aligned}$$

Some conserved quantities

$$\int a^{2n} d^2x = \text{const.} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \infty$$

but can't conserve all of them exactly with any numerical scheme.

$$A \equiv \int a^2 d^2x = \text{mean square vector potential in 2D MHD}$$



Other exactly known properties:

$$\frac{1}{2} \int (\nabla a)^2 dx = \text{"magnetic energy"} = E_B = 1.01 + 2t^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int (\nabla^2 a)^2 dx = \text{"mean square current"} = J = 4.04 + 18t^2 + 24t^4$$

→ Method of solution: Galerkin  $N=64$  "64x64" method.

$$\left( \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \right)_{\max} = \frac{3.5}{256} \quad R_{\max} = 30.5$$

Time stepping 2<sup>nd</sup> order accurate explicit,  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{256}$

$$\text{Error} \equiv \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int (a_{\text{exact}} - a_{\text{numerical}})^2 dx = E(t)$$

$E(t) \sim \text{roundoff } (10^{-8})$  up until  $t > 4$

$\Delta A < 0.1\%$  up until  $t > 6$

$\Delta J \sim 6 \times 10^{-4}$  at  $t=6$

$\Delta E_B \sim 6.4 \times 10^{-4}$  at  $t=6$

(A few graphs...)

the exact solution had.

$$A(l, m, t) = \frac{i}{2} J_l(4t) [(-1)^l \delta_{m,-2} - \delta_{m,2}]$$

$$\text{with } \sum_{l \leq} |A_{l \leq}|^2 = \frac{1}{4} [J_0^2 + 2J_1^2 + 2J_2^2 + \dots]$$

$\Rightarrow 1$

= const.

∴ there is a considerable amount of spectral transfer in this problem.

⇒ Galerkin method has very high accuracy for linear problems, and very high accuracy for nonlinear problems provided that spectral transfer does not try to push excitations out past  $R_{max}$ .

## F. Evaluation of NONLINEAR TERMS (transform methods, aliasing, etc.)

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = u(x) v(x).$$

### (i) Convolution theorems

a) CONTINUOUS, infinite domain  $\Rightarrow$  Fourier transform

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(k) e^{ikx} dk \quad g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(k) e^{ikx} dk.$$

let  $h(x) = f(x)g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H(k) e^{ikx} dk$

then  $H(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) e^{-ikx} dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(p) e^{ipx} dp \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(q) e^{iqx} dq dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint dp dq F(p) G(q) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(p+q-k)x} dx$$

$$= \iint dp dq F(p) G(q) \delta(k - q - p)$$

$$H(k) = \int dp F(k-p) G(p) \quad \text{convolution integral}$$

product in  $x$  space  $\rightarrow$  convolution in  $k$  space

product in  $k$  space  $\rightarrow$  convolution in  $x$  space.

⇒ Fourier series instead  
x form

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b) finite domain, continuous  $x$ , infinite & discrete  $k$ 's.  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$

$$f(x) = \sum_k F(k) e^{ikx} \quad g(x) = \sum_k G(k) e^{ikx}$$

$$h(x) = f(x)g(x) = \sum_k H(k) e^{ikx}$$

$$H(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dx e^{-ikx} h(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dx e^{-ikx} \sum_p F(p) e^{ipx} \sum_q G(q) e^{iqx}$$

$$= \sum_p \sum_q F(p) G(q) \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dx e^{i(p+q-k)x}}_{\delta_{q, k-p}}$$

$$H(k) = \sum_p F(p) G(k-p)$$

c) same as b) but  $N$  discrete  $x$ 's  $\Rightarrow x_i = \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N}$

$$h(x_i) = f(x_i)g(x_i)$$

~~1/2\pi~~

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dx \rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \Delta x_i = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N$$

$$H(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{-ik \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N}} \sum_{p=-\infty}^{\infty} F(p) e^{ip \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N}} \sum_{q=-\infty}^{\infty} G(q) e^{iq \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N}}$$

$$= \sum_p \sum_q F(p) G(q) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{i \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N} (p+q-k)}$$

c) finite number of degrees of freedom in a finite interval

$$0 \leq x \leq 2\pi, \quad x_i = \frac{2\pi(i-1)}{N}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$k = -N/2 + 1, \dots, 0, 1, \dots, N/2 \quad [\text{or, if you like: } 0, 1, \dots, N-1]$$

Discrete Fourier series (formally periodic in  $x_i$  and  $k$ )

$$f(x_i) = \sum_k F(k) e^{ikx_i} \quad F(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{-ikx_i} f(x_i)$$

Note  $e^{ikx_i}$  is orthogonal to  $e^{ik'x_i}$  unless  $k=k'$

$$f(x_i) = \sum_k e^{ikx_i} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{-ikx_j} f(x_j)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_j) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} e^{ik(x_i - x_j)}$$

$$\sum_k e^{ik \frac{2\pi}{N}(i-j)}$$

$$\left[ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} e^{kz} = \frac{1 - e^{Nz}}{1 - e^z} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1 - e^{2\pi i(k)(i-j)/N}}{1 - e^{2\pi i(i-j)/N}}$$

← Numerator  $\equiv 0$

← denominator  $\frac{i-j}{N} \neq 0$  unless  $i=j$

$$= 0 \quad \text{when } i \neq j$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} 1 = N \quad \text{when } i=j$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} = 0 \quad \text{when } i \neq j \\ = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} 1 = N \quad \text{when } i=j \end{array} \right\} N \delta_{ij} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{for} \\ i \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\} \\ j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\} \end{array}$$

$$f(x_i) = f(x_i)$$

Now form convolution

$$h(x_i) = f(x_i) g(x_i)$$

$$h(x_i) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} H(k) e^{ikx}$$

$$H(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N h(x_j) e^{-ik2\pi j/N}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{-i2\pi jk/N} \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F(p) e^{i2\pi jp/N} \sum_{q=0}^N G(q) e^{i2\pi jq/N}$$

$$= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(q) \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (p+q-k)}}_0$$

$p+q$  may be outside the interval  $1, 2, \dots, N$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{N} e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (p+q-k)} = ? \quad \text{let } k = KN + k' \\ l = LN + l'$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (L-K)N} e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (l'-k')} \equiv 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \frac{1 - e^{i2\pi (l'-k')}}{1 - e^{i2\pi (l'-k')/N}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k' \neq l' \\ 1 & \text{if } k' = l' \end{cases}$$

but this is the same as

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (l-k)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k \equiv l \pmod{N} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \equiv \delta_{l,k}(N)$$

$$k \equiv l \pmod{N} \text{ means } l = QN + k$$

for some  $Q$  integer, when  $k < N$



therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(k) &= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(q) \delta_{p+q, k}(N) \quad \text{where} \\
 &\quad \begin{aligned} p+q &= k \\ p+q &= k+N \\ p+q &= k-N \end{aligned} \\
 &= \sum_p F(p) G(k-p) \\
 &\quad + \sum_p F(p) G(k+N-p) \\
 &\quad + \sum_p F(p) G(k-N-p)
 \end{aligned}$$

Second two terms are "aliases" of the convolution

## ② Aliasing errors

Note in galerkin approximation to

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = fg$$

The spectral equations are

$$\frac{\partial F(k)}{\partial t} = \sum_{p+q=k} F(p) G(q)$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} p \in \{-N/2+1, \dots, N/2\} \\ q \in \{-N/2+1, \dots, N/2\} \\ k \in \{-N/2+1, \dots, N/2\} \end{array} \right] \quad -N/2+1 \text{ to } N/2-1$$

$$\equiv H^s(k)$$

"s" for spectral space

therefore, instead of the usual convolution theorem, the transform method gives

$$H(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_j) g(x_j) e^{-ikx_j \pi j/N}$$

$$= H^g(k) + H^g(k+N) + H^g(k-N) \quad \text{"g" for galerkin}$$

aliasing errors

this is what you get with a pseudo spectral method.



### ③ Eliminating Aliasing errors in

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = f(x_j) g(x_j)$$

where  $x_j = 2\pi(j-1)/N$

#### a) extended grid

suppose that we form

$$F(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_j) e^{-ikx_j} \quad \text{as before}$$

but now define the extended transform  $F^e$  as

$$F^e(k) = \begin{cases} F(k) & k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ 0 & k = N, N+1, \dots, 2N-1 \end{cases}$$

thus  $F^e$  is a  $2N$  point transform, with exactly the same information as  $F(k)$

Also do the same for  $G \rightarrow G^e(k) \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, 2N-1$

Now form

$$H^e(k) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{j=1}^{2N} h^e(x_j) e^{-ik2\pi j/2N}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{p=0}^{2N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{2N-1} F^e(p) G^e(q) \sum_{j=1}^{2N} e^{i \frac{2\pi j}{2N} (p+q-k)}$$

$$H^e(k) = \sum_{p=0}^{2N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{2N-1} F^e(p) G^e(q) \underbrace{\delta_{p+q,k}(2N)}_{0 \text{ unless}}$$

0 unless

$$p+q = Q2N + k$$

for some integer  $Q$

but the biggest that  $p+q$  can be, for nonzero

$F^e$  and  $G^e$  is  $N+N-2$  since

$F^e(k) \neq 0$  only for  $|k| < N/2$ , so only

nonzero term is for  $Q=0$  and

$$H^e(k) = H^g(k) \quad \text{for } |k| < N/2 \quad \text{which is the Galerkin convolution}$$

### b) shifted grid

Still looking at

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = f(x)g(k)$$

Suppose we have already calculated:

$$H(k) = H^g(k) + \underbrace{H^g(k+N) + H^g(k-N)}_{\text{aliasing errors}}$$

Now form the shifted grid convolution

$$H^S(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_{j+1/2}) g(x_{j+1/2}) e^{-ik2\pi j/N}$$

where  $f(x_{j+1/2}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F(k) e^{i2\pi k(j+1/2)/N}$

$$g(x_{j+1/2}) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} G(k) e^{i2\pi k(j+1/2)/N}$$

$$H^S(k) = \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(q) \underbrace{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i2\pi \frac{j}{N} (p+q-k)/N}}_{\delta_{p+q,k}(N)} \underbrace{e^{i\pi \frac{(p+q)}{N}}}_{\text{New Term.}}$$

$$= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(k-p) e^{i\pi k/N}$$

$$+ \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(k+N-p) e^{i\pi k/N} e^{i\pi N/N}$$

$$+ \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} F(p) G(k-N-p) e^{i\pi k/N} e^{-i\pi N/N}$$

$$= e^{i\pi k/N} \{ H^G(k) - H^G(k+N) - H^G(k-N) \}$$

therefore

$$H^G(k) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ H(k) + e^{-i\frac{\pi k}{N}} H^S(k) \right\}$$

gives the exact gaussian convolution

Ordinary  
transform  
method  
convolution

transform  
method on  
the shifted  
grid

## SIMULATION OF II Turbulence in MHD (and Hydrodynamics)

### A. Incompressible MHD

$$(1) \quad \frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} = -\nabla P + \underline{J} \times \underline{B} + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{V}$$

$$(2) \quad \frac{\partial \underline{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \underline{V} \times \underline{B} + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{B}$$

$$(3) \quad \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = 0$$

$$(4) \quad \nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0$$

from (3) and (1), if  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = 0$  then

$$(3^*) \quad \nabla^2 P = \nabla \cdot (\underline{J} \times \underline{B} - \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V})$$

• Nonlinear terms  $\Rightarrow$  convolutions in  $\underline{k}$  space

(ie) amplitude in  $\underline{k}$  changed by all  $\underline{p}, \underline{q}$  such that  $\underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k}$   
& gets spectral transfer.

• linear-terms  $\nu \nabla^2 \underline{V}$ ,  $\mu \nabla^2 \underline{B}$  damp each Fourier mode.

$$\underline{V}(\underline{x}, t) = \sum_{\underline{k}} \underline{V}(\underline{k}, t) e^{i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{V}(\underline{k})}{\partial t} \sim -\nu k^2 \underline{V}(\underline{k})$$

$\Rightarrow$   
only  
this

$$\underline{V}(\underline{k}, t) = \underline{V}(\underline{k}, 0) e^{-\nu k^2 t}$$

### B. Spectral equations: 3D MHD

$$\text{using } \underline{J} \times \underline{B} = (\nabla \times \underline{B}) \times \underline{B} = -\nabla \frac{B^2}{2} + \underline{B} \cdot \nabla \underline{B}$$

$$\text{and defining } \underline{P}^* = \underline{P} + \underline{B} \frac{B^2}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \underline{V}}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V} = -\nabla \underline{P}^* + \underline{B} \cdot \nabla \underline{B} + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{V}$$

$$\text{let } \underline{V} = \sum_{\underline{k}} \underline{V}(\underline{k}, t) e^{+i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}} \quad \underline{B} = \sum_{\underline{k}} \underline{B}(\underline{k}, t) e^{+i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \underline{V}(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = & \sum_{\underline{q}} -i \underline{q} \underline{P}_{\underline{k}} e^{i \underline{q} \cdot \underline{x}} + \sum_{\underline{p}, \underline{q}} e^{i(\underline{p} + \underline{q}) \cdot \underline{x}} \underline{V}(\underline{p}) \cdot i \underline{q} \underline{V}(\underline{q}) \\ & + \sum_{\underline{p}, \underline{q}} e^{i(\underline{p} + \underline{q}) \cdot \underline{x}} \underline{B}(\underline{p}) \cdot i \underline{q} \underline{B}(\underline{q}) - \sum_{\underline{k}'} k'^2 \underline{V}(\underline{k}') \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{multiply by } e^{-i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}} \text{ and } \frac{1}{V} \int_0^{2\pi} \int \int d^3 \underline{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{V}(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = -i \underline{k} \cdot \underline{P}_{\underline{k}}^* + i \sum_{\underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k}} \underline{V}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} \underline{V}(\underline{q}) + \underline{B}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} \underline{B}(\underline{q}) - \nu k^2 \underline{V}(\underline{k})$$

$$\text{Note } \nabla \cdot \underline{V} = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{k} \cdot \underline{V}(\underline{k}) = 0 \quad \text{but } \underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k} \quad \text{so } \underline{q} \cdot \underline{V}(\underline{p}) = \underline{k} \cdot \underline{V}(\underline{p})$$

$$\text{and } \nabla^2 \underline{P}^* = \nabla \cdot (\underline{B} \cdot \nabla \underline{B} - \underline{V} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}) \Rightarrow$$

$$-k^2 \underline{P}_{\underline{k}}^* = i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k}} [\underline{B}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} \underline{B}(\underline{q}) - \underline{V}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} \underline{V}(\underline{q})]$$

$$\underline{P}_{\underline{k}}^* = + \frac{i \underline{k} \cdot}{k^2} \sum [ \quad ]$$

$$\underline{V}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} \equiv \underline{V}(\underline{p}) \cdot (\underline{k} - \underline{p})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2 \underline{V}_i(\underline{k})}{2t} &= i k_e \sum_{\underline{p}+\underline{q}=\underline{k}} -\underline{V}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{V}_i(\underline{q}) + \underline{B}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{B}_i(\underline{q}) \\ &\quad - i \frac{k_i k_n k_e}{k^2} \sum_{\underline{p}+\underline{q}=\underline{k}} -\underline{V}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{V}_n(\underline{q}) + \underline{B}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{B}_n(\underline{q}) \\ &\quad - 2 k^2 \underline{V}_i(\underline{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left( i k_e \delta_{in} - i \frac{k_e k_i k_n}{k^2} \right) \sum_{\underline{p}+\underline{q}=\underline{k}} \underline{B}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{B}_n(\underline{q}) - \underline{V}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{V}_n(\underline{q}) \\ &\quad - 2 k^2 \underline{V}_i(\underline{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$(5) \quad \frac{2 \underline{V}_i(\underline{k})}{2t} = i k_e \left( \delta_{in} - \frac{k_i k_n}{k^2} \right) \sum_{\underline{p}+\underline{q}=\underline{k}} \underline{B}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{B}_n(\underline{q}) - \underline{V}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{V}_n(\underline{q}) - 2 k^2 \underline{V}_i(\underline{k})$$

↑  
project  
onto  
 $\underline{k}$ -direction
↑  
project  
perpendicular  
to  $\underline{k}$  (Transverse  
projection operator)

Similarly

$$(6) \quad \frac{2 \underline{B}_i(\underline{k})}{2t} = i k_e \sum_{\underline{p}+\underline{q}=\underline{k}} \left( \underline{B}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{V}_i(\underline{q}) - \underline{V}_e(\underline{p}) \underline{B}_i(\underline{q}) \right) - \mu k^2 \underline{B}_i(\underline{k})$$

(5) and (6) are exact ~~equations~~, ~~Galerkin and pseudospectral~~  
~~methods~~ representation of (1)-(4).



## Galerkin and Pseudo spectral 3D MHD

B. Galerkin Approx to (5) and (6) in 3D, let  $(k_i)_{\max} = N/2$ , and  $N^3$  simulators  
 interpret all the fields as truncated series  
 interpret the convolutions in the same way

↓  
 set  $S = \{ \underline{k} \text{ with } |k_i| \leq N/2 \}$

$$\sum_{\substack{\underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k} \\ \underline{k}_i, \underline{p}_i, \underline{q}_i \in S}}$$

Implementation is more difficult

- Multidimensional transform methods  
 → pseudo spectral
- Multidimensional de-aliasing (we'll get to that)  
 → Combination of shifted grid and grid extension
- Compact Representations

(5) and (6) preserve  $\underline{k} \cdot \underline{B}(\underline{k}) = \underline{k} \cdot \underline{V}(\underline{k}) = 0$   
 but can you get away with 2 components  
 for each vector?

in principle, yes

$$\underline{B}(\underline{k}) = i \underline{k} \times \hat{\underline{z}} b_1(\underline{k}, t) + \underline{k} \times (\underline{k} \times \hat{\underline{z}}) b_2(\underline{k}, t).$$

but it gets complicated.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{in other geometries (Turner, Christensen function)} \\ \underline{B}(\underline{x}) = \nabla \times \hat{\underline{z}} b_1 + \nabla \times (\nabla \times b_2 \hat{\underline{z}}) \end{array} \right]$$



## Pseudo-spectral 3D MHD

2 approaches

1) solve (1)-(4) along with (3')

- using Fourier representation to calculate all derivatives, transform back to  $x$ -space to form nonlinear products

- $\nabla^2 p$  equation can be solved using transform method

- dissipation can be handled in either  $x$  or  $k$  space

2) solve in  $k$  space, but don't dealise the convolutions

~~C. Conservation laws in MHD turbulence~~

C. 2D MHD in periodic geometry

— widely studied.

let  $\underline{B} = B(x, y, t)$

$\underline{V} = V(x, y, t)$

periodic in  $z$   
in  $x$  and  $y$  direction

then  $\underline{B} = \nabla x \hat{z} a(x, y, t)$

$\underline{V} = \nabla x \hat{z} \psi(x, y, t)$

$z$  component  
vector potential

streamfunction  $\psi$

the current density  $\underline{J} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = -\nabla^2 \underline{a} \hat{z} \equiv j \hat{z}$

the vorticity,  $\underline{\Omega} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{V} = -\nabla^2 \underline{\psi} \hat{z} \equiv \omega \hat{z}$

then  $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{V} = 0$  automatically and

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \omega = \underline{B} \cdot \underline{\nabla} j + \nu \nabla^2 \omega$$

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} + \underline{V} \cdot \underline{\nabla} a = \mu \nabla^2 a.$$

the Fourier representation of these are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \omega(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = & i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{q} + \underline{p} = \underline{k}} (\underline{B}(\underline{q}) j(\underline{p}) - \underline{V}(\underline{q}) \omega(\underline{p})) \\ & - \nu k^2 \omega(\underline{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial a(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = -i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{q} + \underline{p} = \underline{k}} \underline{V}(\underline{q}) a(\underline{p}) - \mu k^2 a(\underline{k})$$

The Galerkin approximation is obtained directly by restricting all wave numbers to lie in the  $N^2$  space with  $|\underline{k}| \leq N/2$ .

The transform method is typically used and is de-aliased.

Ideal

D. Conservation Laws in MHD : exact equations with  $\nu = \mu = 0$

3D define  $\langle \dots \rangle$  as the volume average.  
over a volume fixed in time, volume  $V$ , surface  $S$

$$\text{energy} = \langle V^2 + B^2 \rangle / 2 = E$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{periodic boundaries} \\ \hat{n} \cdot \underline{B} = \hat{n} \cdot \underline{V} = 0 \text{ on surface } S \\ \underline{V} = 0 \text{ on surface } S \\ \text{and others} \end{array} \right.$$

Cross helicity

$$H_c = \langle \underline{V} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle / 2$$

$$\frac{dH_c}{dt} = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{periodic} \\ \hat{n} \cdot \underline{B} = \hat{n} \cdot \underline{V} = 0 \text{ on } S \\ \underline{B} = 0 \text{ on } S \end{array} \right.$$

Magnetic Helicity

$$H_m = \langle \underline{A} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle / 2$$

$$\frac{dH_m}{dt} = 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{periodic} \\ \hat{n} \cdot \underline{B} = \hat{n} \cdot \underline{V} = 0 \text{ on } S \\ \underline{B} = 0 \text{ or } \underline{V} = 0 \text{ along} \\ \text{with electrostatic } \underline{E} = 0 \text{ on } S \end{array} \right.$$

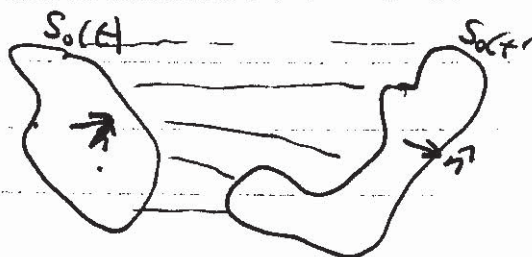
$$\underline{B} = \nabla \times \underline{A}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{A} = 0$$

Many others

P.S. Alfvén flux invariants

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{S_0(t)} \underline{B} \cdot \hat{n} \, da = 0$$



2D MHD.

$$E = \langle v^2 + B^2 \rangle / 2 \quad \text{is constant}$$

$$H_c = \langle \underline{v} \cdot \underline{B} \rangle / 2 \quad \text{is constant}$$

$$H_m \equiv 0$$

but  $A \equiv \langle a^2 \rangle / 2$  is constant for pseudo b.c.'s and others.

others

equivalents of Alfvén invariants

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla a = 0 = \frac{D a}{D t} \quad \text{convective derivative}$$

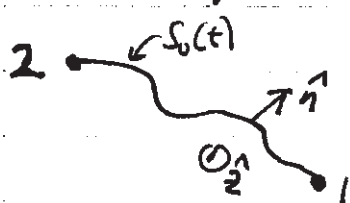
every material element maintains a constant value of  $a$  as it moves around...

a infinite number of invariants

implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int a^{2m} d^3x &= \int a^{2m-1} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} d^3x \\ &= - \int a^{2m-1} \underline{v} \cdot \nabla a d^3x = \int \nabla \cdot \underline{v} a^{2m} d^3x \\ &\equiv 0 \end{aligned}$$

and is equivalent to the Alfvén flux invariants



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{S_0(t)} \underline{B} \cdot \hat{n} dl &= \frac{d}{dt} \int (\nabla \times \hat{e}_2 a) \cdot \hat{n} dl \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \int (\hat{e}_2 \times \hat{n}) \cdot \nabla a dl = \frac{\partial a(2)}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial a(1)}{\partial t} \equiv 0 \end{aligned}$$

## E Rugged Invariants

$$E \quad H_c \quad H_m \quad \text{in 3D}$$

$$E \quad H_c \quad A \quad \text{in 2D}$$

$$(E \quad \langle \Omega^2 \rangle \quad \text{in 2D Navier-Stokes})$$

these are invariants <sup>in time</sup> for any (ideal) Galerkin approximation, in fact they are invariants for any triad of wave vectors satisfying

$$\underline{k} + \underline{p} + \underline{q} = 0$$

example. rugged conservation of  $A \equiv \langle a^2 \rangle / 2$   
in 2D MHD with  $\mu = 0$

$$\frac{\partial a(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = -i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{p} + \underline{q} = \underline{k}} \underline{v}(\underline{p}) a(\underline{q})$$

$$\frac{\partial a(-\underline{k})}{\partial t} = i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{p} + \underline{q} + \underline{k} = 0} \underline{v}(\underline{p}) a(\underline{q}) \quad \text{sum on } \underline{p}, \underline{q}$$

$$a(\underline{k}) \frac{\partial a(-\underline{k})}{\partial t} = i \underline{k} \cdot \sum_{\underline{p} + \underline{q} + \underline{k} = 0} \underline{v}(\underline{p}) a(\underline{q}) a(\underline{k})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |a(\underline{k})|^2$$

$$= -i \sum_{\substack{\underline{p} + \underline{q} + \underline{k} = 0 \\ \underline{p}, \underline{q}}} \underline{v}(\underline{p}) \cdot \underline{q} a(\underline{q}) a(\underline{k})$$

Similarly

$$\frac{\partial a(-q)}{\partial t} = i q \cdot \sum_{\substack{q+p+k=0 \\ p, k}} V(p) a(k)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} |a(q)|^2 = -i \sum_{\substack{q+p+k=0 \\ p, k}} V(p) \cdot k a(k) a(q)$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{d}{dt} \langle a^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (a(k)) \frac{\partial a(k)}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle a^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_q \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} |a(q)|^2 + \sum_k \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} |a(k)|^2 \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{i}{2} \sum_{\substack{q+p+k=0 \\ p, k}} V(p) \cdot q a(q) a(k) + V(p) \cdot k a(k) a(q)$$

$$= -\frac{i}{2} \sum_{\substack{q+p+k=0 \\ p, k, k}} V(p) \cdot (q+k) a(q) a(k)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q+p+k=0} V(p) \cdot p a(q) a(k) \equiv 0 \quad \text{since } V(p) \cdot p = 0$$

This holds for any set of  $k$ 's  $p$ 's and  $q$ 's

Since it is zero term by term for any  $V(p)$  interaction with both  $a(q)$  and  $a(k)$ . That is, if the

only non zero modes we considered were  $k+p+q=0$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d}{dt} |a(q)|^2 + \frac{d}{dt} |a(k)|^2 \right) = -i V(p) \cdot (k+q) a(k) a(q)$$

$$\equiv 0 \quad \text{since } V(p) \cdot p = 0$$



Similar proofs of "ruggedness" of  $E, H_c$  in 2D and  $E, H_c$  and  $H_m$  in 3D can be written down, some involve writing the time development of 3 modes down and summing

In general rugged invariants are conserved by each thread satisfying

$$\underline{k} + \underline{p} + \underline{q} = 0$$

and therefore are invariant for any Galerkin approximation

What happens if there are some  $\underline{p} + \underline{q}$  that give  $\underline{k}$  outside  $\mathcal{S}$ , the retained  $\underline{k}$ 's?

let that  $\underline{k}$  be  $\underline{k}_{\text{outside}}$

~~$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} |a(\underline{k}_{\text{outside}})|^2 =$$~~

$$a(-\underline{k}_{\text{outside}}) \frac{\partial a(\underline{k}_{\text{outside}})}{\partial t}$$

but  $\uparrow$  this  
is  $\approx 0$   
in Galerkin

$\uparrow$  this may be  
nonzero (but  
its not even  
calculated)



The spatial part of the Galerkin codes therefore conserve the rugged invariants "exactly", i.e. up to roundoff and time integration errors.

The "shape" of the set of retained wavevectors  $S$  is irrelevant, as long as the retained modes are updated according to the Galerkin convolutions, and all modes outside  $S$  are always kept  $\equiv 0$ . In those circumstances the above type of proof guarantees rugged conservation.

Dissipation (non zero  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ ) <sup>and should</sup> can change the values of the R.I's. ., Although only  $\eta$  affects the magnetic R.I's such as  $A$  and  $H_m$ .

Non rugged ideal invariants of the continuous (exact) equations are preserved for limited periods of time by Galerkin codes, when  $\nu = \eta = 0$ , but eventually excitations spread to  $R_{\max}$ , then Non-rugged "invariants" can change.

Since Topological properties, such as connectivity of magnetic field lines depend on Non-rugged conservation principles, they will not be conserved by Galerkin codes when  $\nu = \eta = 0$  for long times. Thus, e.g. "Numerical reconnection" can occur, even though

of energy, for example.

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Numerical dissipation cannot occur, when  $\nu = \eta = 0$ .

This does not mean that Numerical reconnection occurs when  $\nu \neq 0$   $\eta \neq 0$ .

## F. MHD Turbulence and accuracy of spectral codes

~~Ideal MHD~~ Nonlinearities cause many modes to become excited, for small or zero  $\nu, \eta$ , one may expect "ergodic" behavior.

Ideal MHD: Abs. Eq. Ensemble (Fyfe + Montgomery)

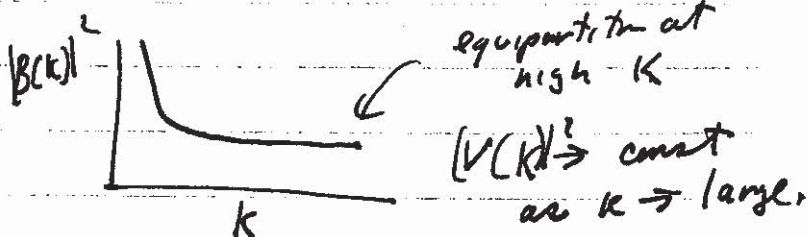
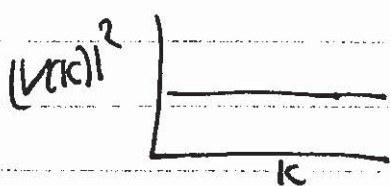
$$\text{Deg}(\{\underline{U}(\underline{k}), \underline{B}(\underline{k})\})$$

$$\sim \exp \{-\alpha E - \beta H_c - \gamma A\}$$

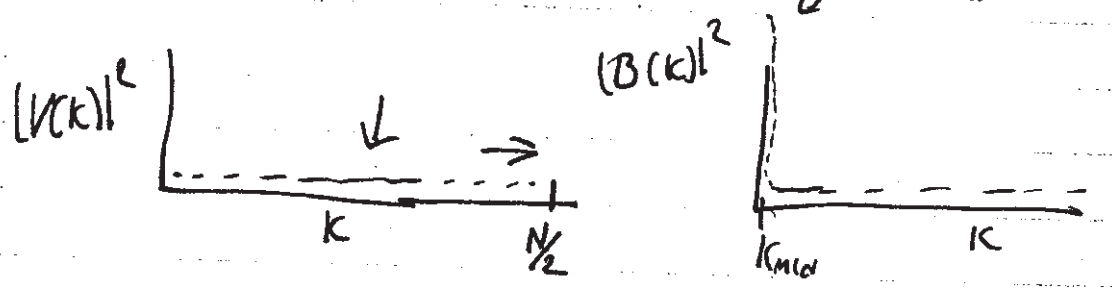
can calculate Gibbs ensemble spectrum

$$\langle |U(\underline{k})|^2 \rangle = f_U(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \underline{k}, N)$$

$$\langle |B(\underline{k})|^2 \rangle = f_B(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \underline{k}, N)$$

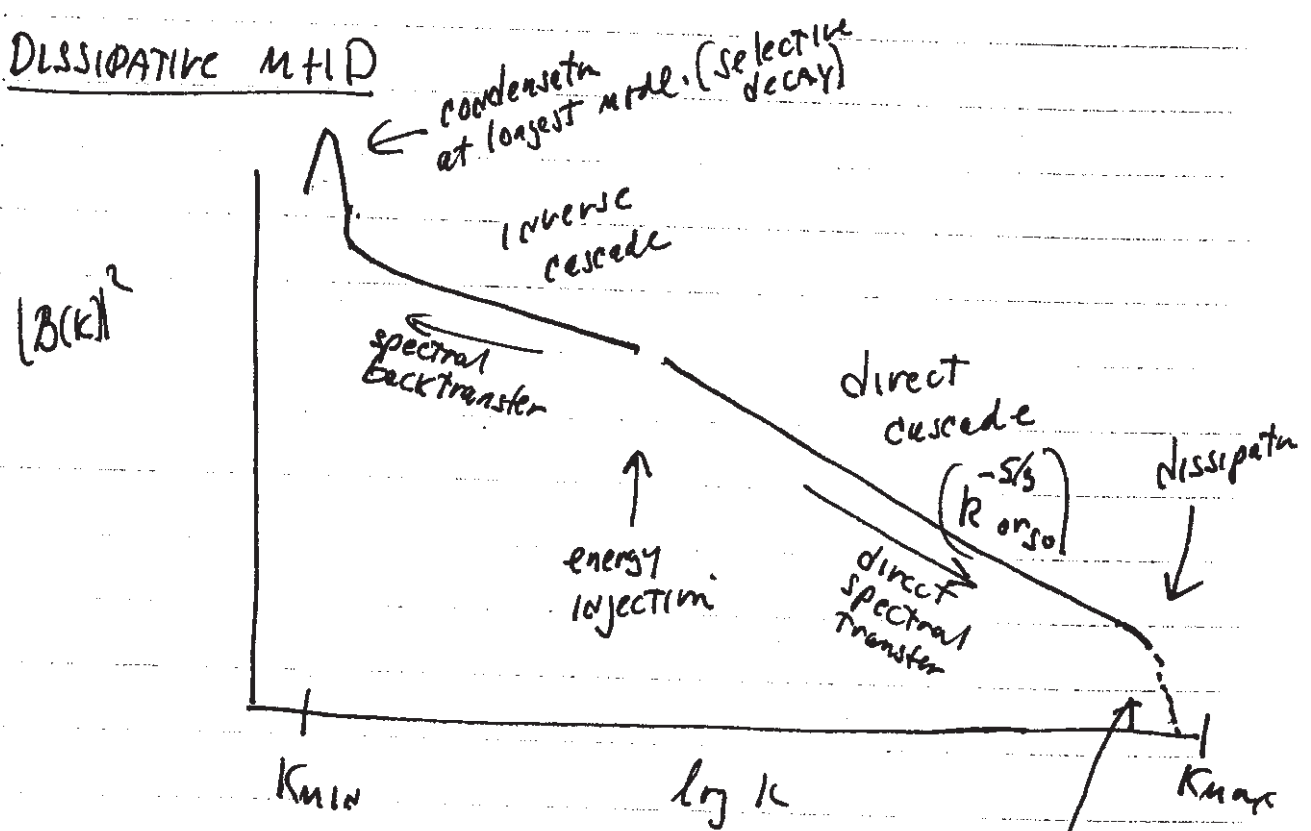


as  $N \rightarrow \infty$



$\underline{v}$  - excitations spread ergodically to all allowed  $k$ .  
 Some magnetic excitations condense to  $k_{min}$ , with  
 the rest equipartitioned with  $\underline{v}$ .

### DISSIPATIVE MHD



$$\tau_{NL} = L/v$$

$$k_{diss} \approx \frac{(\langle \omega^2 + f^2 \rangle)^{1/4}}{\sqrt{R}}$$

either  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{1}{\eta}$

spectrum steepens above  
 $k = k_{dissipation}$

- Decreasing the dissipation coefficient just increases  $k_d$  and enlarges the range of direct spectral transfer wavenumbers (in steady state the direct cascade powerlaw range).
- but the energy decay rate still should be something like.

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{E}{\tau} = \frac{U^2}{4U} = \frac{E^{3/2}}{L}$$

in analogy with laminar dissipation (just looking at energy containing scales)

$$\frac{dE}{dt} \sim \nu_{\text{turbulent}} \frac{E}{L^2}$$

there is a turbulent dissipation coefficient

$$\nu_{\text{turbulent}} \sim L E^{1/2} \sim \frac{L^2}{\tau}$$

if you look at the effect of spectral transfer and turbulent dissipation on the small scales

$$\frac{dE(k)}{dt} \sim \frac{V_k^2}{T(k)} \sim \frac{V_k^3}{l} \quad \begin{aligned} l &\sim 1/k \\ \tau_k &\sim \frac{1}{k V_k} \end{aligned}$$

while the small scale turbulent dissipation coefficient is something like that given by

$$\nu_{\text{turb}}(k) \frac{V_k^2}{l^2} = \frac{V_k^3}{l} \Rightarrow \frac{l^2}{\tau_k} = \frac{1}{k^2 \tau_k} = \frac{V_k}{k}$$

(Heisenberg, Yaglom, Montgomery)

- The "bottom line" is that the Galerkin approximation handles the spatial couplings within  $S$  very well; the only problem for physical dissipative MHD may be inadequate resolution.

$R_d$  can only be well determined experimentally, however 3 estimates are useful (for  $\nu = \mu$ )

i)

$$R_d = \left( \frac{|\frac{dE}{dt}|}{\nu^3} \right)^{1/4} \rightarrow (2 \langle \omega^2 + j^2 \rangle)^{1/4} \sqrt{R}$$

where  $\langle \omega^2 + j^2 \rangle$  is determined from the simulation

↑ either  $1/2$  or  $1/\eta$

ii)

when using driving terms, in steady state

$|\frac{dE}{dt}|$  is the time averaged ~~to~~ supply of energy = time averaged dissipation rate

$$R_d = \left| \frac{dE}{dt} \right|^{1/4} \cancel{R^{3/4}} \left( \frac{1}{\nu} \right)^{3/4}$$

iii)

hydrodynamic-like similarity value of  $R_d$ . ( $\nu = \eta$ )

$$\frac{dE}{dt} \sim \frac{U^3}{L} = 2\nu(\Omega + J) \Rightarrow \langle \omega^2 + j^2 \rangle = \frac{U^3}{L} \frac{1}{2\nu}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } R_d &= \left( \frac{2\nu \langle \omega^2 + j^2 \rangle}{\nu^3} \right)^{1/4} = \left( \frac{U^3}{L\nu^3} \right)^{1/4} = \left( \frac{U^3 L^3}{\nu^3 L^4} \right)^{1/4} \\ &= \frac{1}{L} R^{3/4} = R_0 R^{3/4} \end{aligned}$$

↑ once constant



## G. Accuracy and Stability of time integration schemes

consider  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = H(u)$

Often, in implementation of spectral and pseudospectral schemes, 2<sup>nd</sup> order accurate time integration schemes are used.  $\Rightarrow$  Because, they involve a minimum number of evaluations of  $H(u)$ , containing nonlinear terms. Higher order explicit schemes and implicit schemes can be costly.

Typically,

$$u^{n+1/2} = u^n + \frac{\Delta t}{2} H(u^n)$$

$$u^{n+1} = u^n + \Delta t H(u^{n+1/2})$$

is used, a second order modified Euler method RK2

consider

$$H(u) = V \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u$$

calculate the growth factor (Von Neumann analysis)

$$u \rightarrow u_k e^{ikx}$$

$$u_k^{n+1} = \underbrace{\left[ 1 + \Delta t Q + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} Q^2 \right]}_G u_k^n$$

where  $Q = ikV - 2k^2$

the growth factor is

$$G^*G = 1 - 2\nu k^2 \Delta t + 2[\nu k^2 \Delta t]^2 - 4t^3 [V^2 \nu k^2 + \nu^3 k^6] + \frac{1}{4} 4t^4 [(kV)^2 + \nu^2 k^4]^2$$

i)  $\nu=0$  Unconditionally unstable for pure advection

$$G^*G = 1 + \frac{\Delta t^4}{4} (kV)^4$$

$$|G| = (1+x)^{1/2} \quad x = \frac{(\Delta t k V)^4}{4}$$

$$|G|^N = (1+x)^{N/2} < e^{Nx/2}$$

$$e^{N \Delta t \frac{x}{2 \Delta t}}$$

so  $\frac{2 \Delta t}{x}$  is ~~an~~ an <sup>upper</sup> ~~lower~~ bound on the

error e-folding time

$$\tau_{\text{error}} < \frac{2 \Delta t}{x} = \frac{8 \Delta t}{(\Delta t)^4 (kV)^4} = \frac{8}{(\Delta t)^3 (kV)^4}$$

set  $V=1$   $k=k_{\text{max}}$

$$\tau_{\text{error}} \approx \frac{8}{(\Delta t)^3 (k_{\text{max}})^4}$$

but accuracy demands that  $\Delta t \ll \text{shortest timescale} = \frac{1}{k_{\text{max}}}$

$$\text{let } \Delta t = \frac{\epsilon}{k_{\text{max}}} \Rightarrow \tau_{\text{error}} = \frac{8}{k_{\text{max}} \epsilon^3} \quad \text{typical}$$



this typically has given very long error growth times

p.s.  $k_{\max} = 32, \Delta t = \frac{2}{1000} \quad T_{\text{error}} = 953$

$k_{\max} = 120, \Delta t = \frac{1}{1024} \quad T_{\text{error}} \approx 50$

For ideal runs this error can be monitored by

following conservation of  $E$  and  $A$  in 2D

if an ideal run conserves them to better than a fraction of a %, things are OK out to that time.

### c) Dissipative case

$\nu$  has stabilizing effect in leading orders

ANALYSIS of the full 4<sup>th</sup> order growth factor equation indicates that stability is achieved [ $|G^4| < 1$ ]

for values of  $\Delta t = \frac{\epsilon}{k_{\max} \nu}$  with  $\epsilon \lesssim 0.3$  or so

for  $R = \frac{1}{\nu}$  up to several thousand.

thus for most dissipative cases that we can

resolve (in terms of  $R_d$ ), the codes are

stable with the explicit scheme. In a practical sense

ACCURACY  $\Rightarrow$  STABILITY

# H. Conservation of "rugged" invariants in collocation (pseudospectral) codes

The arguments leading to conservation of R.I's by the Galerkin method don't hold for pseudospectral algorithms. (ALIASING! in periodic case)

Orszag has given a general criterion for conservation of energy, in terms of Projection operators that define the method.

$$\frac{\partial u_N}{\partial t} = H(u_N) \quad \text{exact} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u, u) = 0 \quad \text{energy conservati}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial u_N}{\partial t} = P_N H(P_N u_N) \quad \text{spectral method.}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_N, u_N) = (u_N, P_N H(P_N u_N))$$

$$\text{if } P_N \text{ is self adjoint} \Rightarrow (P_N u_N, H(P_N u_N)) \equiv 0$$

For Navier Stokes flow this implies that, for pseudospectral methods, one must write the NS equations as

$$\frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial t} = \underline{u} \times (\nabla \times \underline{u}) - \nabla P^\# + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{u}$$

$\nwarrow$  rotation form  
 $\underline{u} \times \underline{\omega}$

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the Laplacian  $\nabla^2$  operator  $= \mathcal{D} \cdot \mathcal{g}$

$\mathcal{D}$  be divergence

$\mathcal{g}$  be gradient

( $\mathcal{d}$  be  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ ) don't need. (but  $\mathcal{d}^\dagger = -\mathcal{d}$ .)

then it can be shown that for pseudospectral operators.

—  $\mathcal{D}$  is the adjoint of  $\mathcal{g}^*$

then for

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{B} \mathcal{f} - \mathcal{V} \omega)$$

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} = + \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{B} = - \mathcal{V} \cdot \mathcal{g} a$$

$$\omega = -\mathcal{L} \psi$$

$$\mathcal{f} = -\mathcal{L} a$$

$$\mathcal{g} \psi = (-V_y, V_x)$$

$$\mathcal{g} a = (-B_y, B_x)$$

Energy

$$E = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{g} \psi, \mathcal{g} \psi) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{g} a, \mathcal{g} a)$$

$$(\mathcal{g} \psi, \mathcal{g} \psi) = -(\psi, \mathcal{D} \cdot \mathcal{g} \psi) = -(\psi, \mathcal{L} \psi) = -(\psi, \omega)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\psi, \omega) = \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}, \omega \right) + \left( \psi, \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} \right) = 2 \left( \psi, \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t}, \psi \right)$$

similarly

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$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (g_a, g_a) = (f, \frac{\partial a}{\partial t})$$

therefore

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = \left( \psi, \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \right) + \left( f, \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \right)$$

$$= \left( \psi, \partial (\underline{B} f - \underline{v} w) \right) + \left( f, -\underline{v} \cdot \underline{g} a \right)$$

$$= - \left( g \psi, \underline{B} f - \underline{v} w \right) + \left( f, -\underline{v} \cdot \underline{g} a \right)$$

$$= + \left( g \psi, \underline{v} w \right) - \left( g \psi, \underline{B} f \right) + \left( f, -\underline{v} \cdot \underline{g} a \right)$$

since  $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{B} = 0$

$$= 0$$

$$- (\underline{v}_y B_x, f) + (f, + \underline{v}_x B_y) - (\underline{v}_x B_y, f) + (f, - \underline{v}_y B_x)$$

A similar proof holds for 3D MHD

The point is that the induction equation, uncoupled must be written as

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} = (\underline{v} \times \underline{B})_z = -\underline{v} \cdot \nabla a$$

rather than

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot (\underline{v} a)$$

when the pseudo spectral nonlinear terms are calculated

$H_e$  is conserved by this pseudospectral method

but not  $A$  (aliasing!)

### III A 2D MHD Turbulence code and some results

$$\frac{\partial a(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = -i\underline{k} \cdot \sum'_{\underline{r}+\underline{p}=\underline{k}} \underline{v}(\underline{r}) a(\underline{p}) + \mu k^2 a(\underline{k})$$

$$\text{or} \\ = \sum_{\underline{r}+\underline{p}=\underline{k}} \underline{v}(\underline{r}) \times \underline{b}(\underline{p}) - \mu k^2 a(\underline{k})$$

$$\frac{\partial w(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = i\underline{k} \cdot \sum'_{\underline{r}+\underline{p}=\underline{k}} \underline{b}(\underline{r}) f(\underline{p}) - \underline{v}(\underline{r}) w(\underline{p}) - \nu k^2 w(\underline{k})$$

$\sum'$  means spectral interpretation of the convolution.

A. Dealiasing in 2D on an  $N \times N$  grid.

$$\frac{\partial a(\underline{k})}{\partial t} = \sum'_{\underline{r}+\underline{p}=\underline{k}} \underline{u}(\underline{r}) w(\underline{p}) \equiv H^G(\underline{k})$$

use transform to form  $\underline{u}(\underline{x}) w(\underline{x})$

and inverse transform

according to our previous results, slightly generalized this gives

$$\begin{aligned} H(\underline{k}) = & H^G(k_x, k_y) + H^G(k_x+N, k_y) \\ & + H^G(k_x-N, k_y) + H^G(k_x, k_y+N) + H^G(k_x, k_y-N) \\ & + H^G(k_x+N, k_y+N) + H^G(k_x+N, k_y-N) \\ & + H^G(k_x-N, k_y+N) + H^G(k_x-N, k_y-N) \end{aligned}$$

there are 4 'singly aliased' terms  
and 4 'double aliased' terms

In principle several shifted grid steps could be taken, however, Onizog and Patterson have shown that the following works:

i) form the 2D shifted grid convolution.

$$H^S(\underline{k}) = \sum_{\underline{x}(i,j)} U(x_{i+1/2}, y_{j+1/2}) W(x_{i+1/2}, y_{j+1/2}) e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot \underline{x}}$$

ii) correct  $H(\underline{k})$  by forming a linear combination of  $H(\underline{k})$  and  $H^S(\underline{k})$   
steps i) and ii) eliminate all 'singly-aliased' errors

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{2} [H(\underline{k}) + e^{-i\pi(k_x + k_y)} H^S(\underline{k})]$$

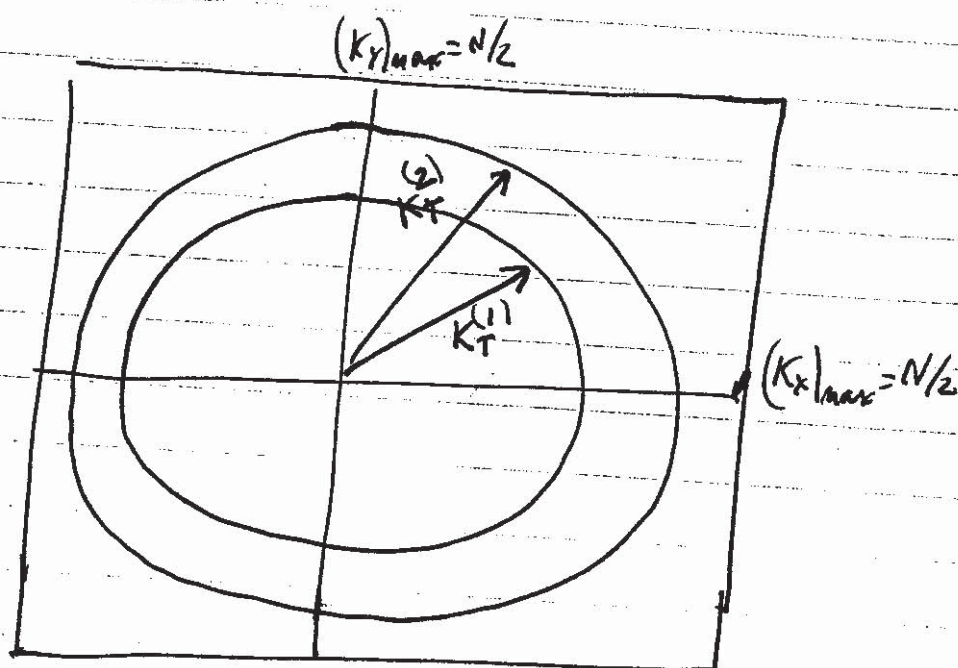
$$= H^G(\underline{k}) + \text{double aliases}$$



In addition, 'Isotropic Truncation' is used:

at each half and whole timestep all modes outside a radius  $K_T$  are set to zero i.e.

$$a(\underline{k}) = 0 \text{ for } |\underline{k}| > K_T$$



if  $K_T = K_T^{(1)} = \frac{2}{3} (K_x)_{\max} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{N}{2} = \frac{N}{3}$

then this step removes all aliasing errors

if  $K_T = K_T^{(2)} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{9}} \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)$  then this step

removes all double aliasing errors, but leaves the single ones.

Therefore

(ii) apply isotropic truncation with  $K_T = K_T^{(2)}$  at each half timestep.

$\Rightarrow$  all aliasing errors are removed.



## B. 3D issues, etc.

- The above combination of isotropic truncation  $\rightarrow$  for multiple aliasing errors and shifted grids (for single aliasing errors) works in 3D as well.

- Pseudospectral will often be used in 3D anyway, for efficiency.

? what is the effect of non conservation of  $H_u$  by pseudospectral

- How to make use of  $\nabla \cdot B = \nabla \cdot V = 0$  to save storage. is this important.

code size vs code speed.

memory size vs disk speed.

execution speed

code timing  $N^d$  code. to calculate 1 characteristic time.

$$\log_2 N = \underbrace{N}_{\text{time}} \underbrace{d}_{\# \text{ convolutions}} \underbrace{d N^{d-1}}_{\# \text{ 1d FFT's}} \underbrace{N \log_2 N}_{\text{1d FFT}} = \text{Time.}$$

$$\underbrace{d}_{\text{scaling for \# arrays}} \underbrace{N^d}_{\text{each array}} = \text{Size.}$$

machine memory limit quickly reached to 3d if machines get faster

### C. Aliasing instability, etc.

(Phillips, Roache, etc)

- The "Nonlinear instability" (Phillips) in finite difference algorithms appears to be traceable to aliasing errors. Often they are dealt with by adding ~~what~~ dissipation, or high- $k$  filtering.

What we found in Fourier periodic case

$$\text{Pseudosp.} = \text{spectral} + \text{aliasing errors}$$

↑  
aliasing may be stabilized, by writing in correct form, or ~~be~~ unstable, if the operators are not selfadjoint.

↑  
Never any non-conservation of  $E$  due to aliasing "rugged"

but can stabilize through dissipation.

- How can Chebyshev pseudospectral be fully or partially de-aliased.  
is  $\text{pseudosp} = \text{spectral} + \text{aliasing}$  for Chebyshev system?

- compressible MHD, NS

→ spectral difficult.

$$\mathcal{L} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V} \right) = \left[ \quad \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V} = \frac{\left[ \quad \right]}{\mathcal{L}}$$

Nonlinearities are NOT quadratic!

See Ghosh et al

→ there has been some progress for  
pseudosp. compressible NS

Leorat, Pouquet, Grappin CNRS  
France.

Nice shocks, Rankine-Hugoniot relations, etc.

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