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THE INVESTIGATION OF STABILITY OF A DIFFERENCE PROBLEM FOR A SYSTEM OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS OF SIMULTANEOUS PROPAGATION OF SOUND AND HEAT

Abstract

Application of a finite difference method to the solution of mixed problems for system of differential equations describing sound and heat propagation in gas is considered in the paper. The stability of a difference problem approximating the initial value problem to within $O(h + \tau)$ is proved by energetic inequalities method.

It is known that sound propagation in gas with heatconductivity σ , isothermic velocity of sound C and adiabatic constant $\gamma > 1$ is described by a system of differential equations [1]

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= c \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} - c(\gamma - 1) \frac{\partial e}{\partial x}, \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} &= c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \\ \frac{\partial e}{\partial t} &= \sigma \frac{\partial^2 e}{\partial x^2} - c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}.\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

Here $u = u(x, t)$ is sound propagation in gas, $w = w(x, t)$ and $e = e(x, t)$ are perturbations of volume and inner energy of gas.

In the paper we'll consider the following mixed problem for the system (1):

we are to find the functions $u = u(x, t)$, $w = w(x, t)$ and $e = e(x, t)$, $0 \leq x \leq l$, $0 \leq t \leq T$, satisfying for $0 < x < l$, $0 < t \leq T$ the system (1) and additional conditions

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x), w(x, 0) = w_0(x), e(x, 0) = e_0(x), 0 \leq x \leq l, \quad (2)$$

$$u(0, t) = \mu_1(t), w(l, t) = \mu_2(t), e(0, t) = v_1(t), e(l, t) = v_2(t), 0 \leq t \leq T. \quad (3)$$

§1. Difference problem.

In a closed domain $\bar{D} = \{0 \leq x \leq l, 0 \leq t \leq T\}$ we define a grid domain $\bar{\omega}_{h\tau} = \bar{\omega}_h \times \bar{\omega}_\tau$, where $\bar{\omega}_h = \left\{x_j = jh, j = 0, 1, \dots, N, h = \frac{l}{N}, x_0 = 0, x_N = l\right\}$, $\bar{\omega}_\tau = \left\{t_n = n\tau, n = 0, 1, \dots, M, \tau = \frac{T}{M}, t_0 = 0, t_M = T\right\}$. The value of a grid function $y = y(x, t)$ in the node (x_j, t_n) of the grid $\bar{\omega}_{h\tau}$ is denoted by $y_j^n: y_j^n = y(x_j, t_n)$.

Associate the problem (1)-(3) with the following difference problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n}{\tau} &= c \frac{w_j^n - w_{j-1}^n}{h} - c(\gamma - 1) \frac{e_j^n - e_{j-1}^n}{h}, j = 1, 2, \dots, N, \\ \frac{w_j^{n+1} - w_j^n}{\tau} &= c \frac{u_{j+1}^{n+1} - u_j^{n+1}}{h}, j = 0, 1, \dots, N-1,\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{e_j^{n+1} - e_j^n}{\tau} = \frac{\sigma}{2} \left(\frac{e_{j-1}^{n+1} - 2e_j^{n+1} + e_{j+1}^{n+1}}{h^2} + \frac{e_{j-1}^n - 2e_j^n + e_{j+1}^n}{h^2} \right) -$$

$$-c \frac{u_{j+1}^{n+1} - u_j^{n+1}}{h}, \quad j=1,2,\dots,N-1, n=0,1,\dots,M-1,$$

$$u_j^0 = u_0(x_j), \quad w_j^0 = w_0(x_j), \quad e_j^0 = e_0(x_j), \quad j=0,1,\dots,N, \quad (5)$$

$$u_n^0 = \mu_1(t_n), \quad w_n^0 = \mu_2(t_n), \quad e_n^0 = v_1(t_n), \quad e_n^0 = v_2(t_n), \quad n=0,1,\dots,M. \quad (6)$$

We are to note that this difference problem involving partial derivatives of functions $u(x,t)$, $w(x,t)$ and $e(x,t)$ up to needed orders in variables x and t , approximates the initial value problem (1)-(3) to within $O(h + \tau)$.

We can easily verify that the difference problem (4)-(6) admits under known u_j^n, w_j^n and $e_j^n, j=0,1,\dots,N$ to find u_j^{n+1}, w_j^{n+1} and $e_j^{n+1}, j=0,1,\dots,N$.

Let $\alpha = \frac{c\tau}{h}$, $\beta = \frac{\sigma\tau}{2h^2}$. Further we shall use the following denotations adopted in

[1] and [2]

$$\Delta_+ y_j^n = y_{j+1}^n - y_j^n, \quad \Delta_- y_j^n = y_j^n - y_{j-1}^n, \quad \Delta_- \Delta_+ y_j^n = y_{j+1}^n - 2y_j^n + y_{j-1}^n,$$

$$(y^n, z^n) = \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} y_j^n z_j^n h, \quad (y^n, z^n) = \sum_{j=1}^N y_j^n z_j^n h, \quad [y^n, z^n] = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} y_j^n z_j^n h,$$

$$[y^n, z^n] = \sum_{j=0}^N y_j^n z_j^n h, \quad \|y^n\| = \sqrt{(y^n, y^n)}, \quad \|y^n\| = \sqrt{[y^n, y^n]},$$

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Using these denotations we rewrite the difference equations (4) in the following way:

$$\begin{cases} u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n = \alpha \Delta_- w_j^n - \alpha(\gamma - 1) \Delta_- e_j^n, & j=1,2,\dots,N, \\ w_j^{n+1} - w_j^n = \alpha \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1}, & j=0,1,\dots,N-1, \\ e_j^{n+1} - e_j^n = \beta \Delta_- \Delta_+ (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) - \alpha \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1}, \\ j=1,2,\dots,N-1, & n=0,1,\dots,M-1. \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

§2. The investigation of stability of a difference problem.

Consider the difference equations (7) with homogeneous boundary conditions

$$u_0^n = 0, \quad w_N^n = 0, \quad e_0^n = 0, \quad e_N^n = 0, \quad n=0,1,\dots,M, \quad (8)$$

and initial conditions (5). We shall study the stability of the difference problem (7), (8), (5) by energetic inequalities method.

Multiply both sides of difference equations in (7) by $(u_j^{n+1} + u_j^n)h$, $(w_j^{n+1} + w_j^n)h$, $(e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n)h$ respectively, and sum the obtained equalities in all j :

$$\begin{aligned} \|u^{n+1}\|^2 - \|u^n\|^2 &= \alpha \sum_{j=1}^N \Delta_- w_j^n (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^n) h - \\ &\quad - \alpha(\gamma - 1) \sum_{j=1}^N \Delta_- e_j^n (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^n) h, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|w^{n+1}\|^2 - \|w^n\|^2 &= \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1} (w_j^{n+1} + w_j^n) h, \\ \|e^{n+1}\|^2 - \|e^n\|^2 &= \beta \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \Delta_- \Delta_+ (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) h - \\ &\quad - \alpha \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1} (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) h. \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of boundary conditions of (8) after some transformations we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1} (w_j^{n+1} + w_j^n) h &= -\langle u^{n+1}, \Delta_- (w^{n+1} + w^n) \rangle, \\ \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \Delta_+ u_j^{n+1} (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) h &= -\langle u^{n+1}, \Delta_- (e^{n+1} + e^n) \rangle, \\ \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \Delta_- \Delta_+ (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) (e_j^{n+1} + e_j^n) h &= -\|\Delta_+ (e^{n+1} + e^n)\|^2 - (e_1^{n+1} + e_1^n)^2 h. \end{aligned}$$

With regard to these three equalities we can write the last three equalities in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \|u^{n+1}\|^2 - \|u^n\|^2 &= \alpha \langle u^{n+1} + u^n, \Delta_- w^n \rangle - \\ &\quad - \alpha (\gamma - 1) \langle u^{n+1} + u^n, \Delta_- e^n \rangle, \\ \|w^{n+1}\|^2 - \|w^n\|^2 &= -\alpha \langle u^{n+1}, \Delta_- (w^{n+1} + w^n) \rangle, \\ \|e^{n+1}\|^2 - \|e^n\|^2 &= -\beta \|\Delta_+ (e^{n+1} + e^n)\|^2 - \beta (e_1^{n+1} + e_1^n)^2 h + \\ &\quad + \alpha \langle u^{n+1}, \Delta_- (e^{n+1} + e^n) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

The validity of the following equality follows from these three equalities

$$S_{n+1} - S_n = -\beta (\gamma - 1) \left[\|\Delta_+ (e^{n+1} + e^n)\|^2 + (e_1^{n+1} + e_1^n)^2 h \right], \quad (9)$$

where

$$S_n = \|u^n\|^2 + \|w^n\|^2 + (\gamma - 1) \|e^n\|^2 + \alpha \langle u^n, \Delta_- (w^n - (\gamma - 1)e^n) \rangle. \quad (10)$$

From (9) by virtue of inequalities $\beta > 0$, $\gamma > 1$ we have

$$S_{n+1} \leq S_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, M-1. \quad (11)$$

Now prove that by fulfilling some conditions S_n determines the norm.

Let's consider $\|u^n, \Delta_- w^n\|$:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \langle u^n, \Delta_- w^n \rangle \right| &\leq \|u^n\| \cdot \|\Delta_- w^n\| \leq \|u^n\| \times \\ &\times \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^N (\Delta_- w_j^n)^2 h} \leq \|u^n\| \sqrt{4 \sum_{j=0}^N (w_j^n)^2 h} \leq \\ &\leq 2 \|u^n\| \|w^n\| \leq \|u^n\|^2 + \|w^n\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

In a similar way we have

$$\left| \langle u^n, \Delta_- e^n \rangle \right| \leq \|u^n\| \cdot \|\Delta_- e^n\| \leq \|u^n\|^2 + \|e^n\|^2. \quad (13)$$

With regard to the last two equalities for S_n we have:

$$S_n \geq (1 - \alpha\gamma) \|u^n\|^2 + (1 - \alpha) \|w^n\|^2 + (\gamma - 1)(1 - \alpha) \|e^n\|^2. \quad (14)$$

Hence, by virtue of $\gamma > 1$, it follows that if $1 - \alpha\gamma > 0$ or the same $\tau < h/c\gamma$, then $S_n \geq 0$.

So, if it the condition

$$\tau < \frac{h}{c\gamma} \quad (15)$$

is fulfilled. Then S_n determines the norm. On the other hand by virtue of the inequality (11) we have:

$$S_n \leq S_0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, M. \quad (16)$$

Estimate S_0 from above. With regard to inequalities (12) and (13) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &\leq (1 + \alpha\gamma) \|u^0\|^2 + (1 + \alpha) \|w^0\|^2 + (\gamma - 1)(1 + \alpha) \|e^0\|^2 \leq \\ &\leq K \left(\|u^0\|^2 + \|w^0\|^2 + \|e^0\|^2 \right), \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where

$$K = \max \{1 + \alpha\gamma, (\gamma - 1)(1 + \alpha)\}. \quad (18)$$

Thus, by virtue of inequalities (16) and (17) the next theorem is valid

Theorem 1. For solving a difference problem (7), (8), (5) by fulfilling the condition (15) the estimation

$$S_n \leq K \left(\|u_0\|^2 + \|w_0\|^2 + \|e_0\|^2 \right), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, M,$$

is valid. Where S_n and K are respectively determined by equalities (10) and (18).

Let $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ be an arbitrary number. Instead of the condition (15) we require the fulfillment of the condition

$$\tau \leq \frac{h(1 - \varepsilon)}{c\gamma} \quad (19)$$

By fulfilling this inequality we have

$$1 - \alpha\gamma \geq \varepsilon, \quad 1 - \alpha \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{\gamma}.$$

With regard to these inequalities, by virtue of the inequality (14) we get:

$$S_n \geq \varepsilon \cdot L \left(\|u^n\|^2 + \|w^n\|^2 + \|e^n\|^2 \right),$$

where

$$L = \min \left(\frac{1}{\gamma}, \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \right). \quad (20)$$

Hence and from the inequalities (16) and (17) validity of the inequality

$$\|u^n\|^2 + \|w^n\|^2 + \|e^n\|^2 \leq \frac{K}{\varepsilon L} \left(\|u_0\|^2 + \|w_0\|^2 + \|e_0\|^2 \right) \quad (21)$$

follows.

Theorem 2. By fulfilling condition (19) the difference problem (7), (8), (5) is stable and for its solution the estimation (21) is valid, where $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ is an arbitrary number, K and L are positive constants that are defined by the equalities (18) and (20).

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