

Development of Generalized Low Mach Preconditioning Schemes

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Motivation

- Wide range of scales
 - Inviscid: Low Mach to Hypersonic
 - Viscous: Low to high Reynolds numbers
 - Unsteady: Low to high frequencies
 - Source terms: turbulence, chemistry and phase change
- Wide range of equations of state
 - Perfect gas
 - Liquids
 - Real gases
 - Multi-component gases
 - Multiple phases

Approach



- Time-Marching or Density-Based Methods
 - Numerics related to unsteady physics & mathematics
 - Errors handled by convection and diffusion processes
- Characteristics:
 - Well suited to transonic and supersonic flows
 - Unsited to low Mach flows because of wave stiffness
- Preconditioning
 - Pseudo-acoustic waves by altering time-derivatives
 - Inspired by Chorin's artificial compressibility (1967)
- Use Asymptotic Theory
 - Proper choice can account for all relevant limits



Fluids Equations

- Dual-Time Form:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H$$

where

$$Q = (\rho, \rho u_i, e)^T$$

- Pseudo-time term introduced purely for numerics:
 - To derive proper discrete form
 - To act as an agency for non-linear relaxation
 - To enhance convergence of the linear solver
- Pseudo-Time Definition:
 - Ill-posed for certain equations of state (I.e., constant ρ)



Generalized Fluids Equations

- Change of Variables:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial Q_p} \frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H$$

where

$$Q_p = (p, w_i, T)^T$$

- Definition:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial Q_p} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho_p & 0 & \rho_T \\ w_i \rho_p & \rho \delta_{ij} & w_i \rho_T \\ h_o \rho_p - (1 - \rho h_p) & \rho u_j & h_o \rho_T + \rho h_T \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho_p = \left(\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial p} \right)_T$$



Generalized Equation of State

- General State Relations

$$\rho = \rho(p, T) \quad h = h(p, T)$$

- System is well-posed for time-marching solutions
 - All variables can be updated for general fluids
 - Can be extended to multi-component gases and liquids
- But, it not necessarily well-conditioned:
 - Different time-scales control the physical processes
 - A “good” numerical scheme requires good conditioning
 - Use asymptotic theory to understand behavior and to devise appropriate preconditioning scaling



Asymptotic Analysis

- Well-established mathematical analysis tool
- Applied to CFD algorithm analysis by:
 - Guerra and Gustafsson (1986)
 - Merkle and Choi (1987)
- Original Motivation:
 - Derive preconditioning for low Mach limit
 - Assess discrete accuracy (Guillard and Viozat, 1999)
- Contributions of the present authors (1999):
 - Analyze Euler, Navier-Stokes and unsteady scales
 - Derive appropriate preconditioning in these limits
 - Ensure discrete accuracy and convergence efficiency



Asymptotic Expansion

- Momentum Equation:

$$\left(\frac{L}{\tau_r u_r}\right) \rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial \tau} + St_r \rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \left(\frac{1}{\gamma M_r^2}\right) \varepsilon \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{Re_r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + Fr^2 \rho g$$

where $p_0 = Constant$

and ε is a small parameter to be defined later.

- Continuity Equation:

$$\left(\frac{L}{\tau_r u_r}\right) (\tilde{\rho}_p \varepsilon \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial \tau} + \tilde{\rho}_T \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau}) + St_r \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} = 0$$



Perturbation Parameter

- Definition:
 - Balance the pressure gradient with the dominant term in the momentum equation for various limits
- Inviscid Low Mach Limit: $\epsilon = \gamma M_r^2$
- Viscous Low Re Limit: $\epsilon = \gamma M_r^2 / Re$
- High Fr Limit: $\epsilon = \gamma M_r^2 Fr^2$
- Unsteady High Str Limit: $\epsilon = \gamma M_r^2 Str$



Dispersion Analysis

- Linearized Perturbation Equations:

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_p \frac{\partial \tilde{Q}_p}{\partial \tau} + \tilde{\Gamma}_e \frac{\partial \tilde{Q}_p}{\partial t} + \tilde{A} \frac{\partial \tilde{Q}_p}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\tilde{R} \frac{\partial \tilde{Q}_p}{\partial x} \right) + \tilde{D} \tilde{Q}_p$$

- Solution:

$$Q_p(x, \tau) = \hat{Q}_p \exp[ik(x - \omega \tau)]$$

- Dispersion Relation:

$$\det \left[\tilde{\Gamma}_p(-ik\omega) + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_e}{\Delta t} - \tilde{D} - \tilde{A}(ik) + \tilde{R}(k^2) \right] = 0$$



Dispersion Analysis

- Complex Phase Speeds:

$$\omega_1 = \frac{u}{\alpha} \left[1 - \frac{i Str}{(k\Delta x)} - \frac{i(k\Delta x)}{Pr Re} \right]$$

$$\omega_{2,3} = \frac{u}{2\alpha} \left[1 - \frac{2i Str}{(k\Delta x)} - i \frac{(k\Delta x)}{Re} \right] \pm S$$

where

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{u^2}{\alpha^2} \left(1 - i \frac{k\delta x}{Re} \right)^2 + \frac{4}{\epsilon \alpha \tilde{\rho}_p}}$$

Characteristics



- Inviscid Limit:
 - Wave speeds are $\approx u, u \pm c$
 - Stiff at low Mach numbers
- Viscous Limit:
 - Wave speeds are $\approx iu/Re, u \pm c$
 - Two acoustic modes and one viscous damping mode
 - Can be stiff at low- Re
- Unsteady High Frequency Limit:
 - Wave speeds are $\approx iu Str, u(1 + iu Str) \pm c$
 - Two acoustic modes and one sink-like damping mode
 - For very high Str , three sink-like damping modes

Preconditioning

- Stiffness is due to:
 - Scaling of the first-order pressure time-derivative in continuity equation

$$\left(\frac{L}{\tau_r u_r}\right) \left(\tilde{\rho}_p \varepsilon \frac{\partial p_1}{\partial \tau} + \tilde{\rho}_T \frac{\partial T}{\partial \tau}\right) + S_{t_r} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} = 0$$

- Preconditioning:
 - Rescale pressure-time derivative
 - Render pressure corrections to be order one

$$\tilde{\rho}_p \longrightarrow \tilde{\rho}'_p$$



Preconditioning Scaling

- Inviscid Low Mach Limit:

$$\tilde{\rho}'_p = \frac{\tilde{\rho}_p}{M^2}$$

- Viscous Low Re Limit:

$$\tilde{\rho}'_p = \frac{\tilde{\rho}_p Re^2}{M^2}$$

- High Fr Limit:

$$\tilde{\rho}'_p = \frac{\tilde{\rho}_p Fr^4}{M^2}$$

- Unsteady High Str Limit:

$$\tilde{\rho}'_p = \frac{\tilde{\rho}_p Str^2}{M^2}$$



Preconditioned Equations

- Change of Variables:

$$\Gamma_p \frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H$$

- Preconditioning Matrix:

$$\Gamma_p = \begin{pmatrix} \rho'_p & 0_j & \rho_T \\ w \rho'_p & \rho \delta_{ij} & w \rho_T \\ h_o \rho'_p - (1 - \rho h_p) & \rho u_j & h_o \rho_T + \rho h_T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho'_p = \rho_p \text{Max}[\text{Min}(\frac{1}{M^2}, \frac{Re^2}{M^2}, \frac{Fr^4}{M^2}, \frac{Str^2}{M^2}), 1]$$



Convergence Enhancement

- **Dispersion Analysis**
 - Complex wave speeds can again be obtained
 - Combination of particle and pseudo-acoustic modes
 - All relevant limits are seen to be well-conditioned
- **System Characteristics are optimized**
 - Inviscid limit: acoustic speed and particle speed
 - Viscous limit: acoustic speed and diffusion scale
 - Unsteady limit: acoustic speed and physical time scale
- **Relationship to Other Preconditioners:**
 - Inviscid limit similar to Turkel, van Leer, Weiss-Smith
 - Asymptotic derivation enables extension to all limits



Asymptotic Analysis of Discrete System

- **Extension to Discrete Form:**
 - Apply asymptotic expansions to the discrete version
 - Express scheme as central flux + artificial dissipation
- **Requirements on Artificial Viscosity:**
 - At most the same order as the dominant physical terms
 - All fields must have adequate dissipation
 - Use von Neumann stability analysis to verify
- **Different Formulations**
 - Scalar Dissipation (Jameson, Turkel)
 - Flux-Difference (Roe) or Matrix-Dissipation (Turkel)
 - AUSM- or CUSP-like (Liou, Jameson)



Different Dissipation Schemes

- Scalar Dissipation:

$$\left[\frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \square} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} \right]_{cd} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H + \frac{\square x_i}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\square \square (\square^{\square^1} A) \right] \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x_i}$$

- Flux-Difference or Matrix Dissipation

$$\left[\frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \square} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} \right]_{cd} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H + \frac{\square x_i}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\square \left| \square^{\square^1} A \right| \right] \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x_i}$$

- AUSM- or CUSP-like Schemes

$$\left[\frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \square} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} \right]_{cd} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H + \frac{\square x_i}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\square \square_i \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x_i} \right]$$

where

$$\Lambda = K \left| \text{diag}(\sigma(\Gamma^{-1} A), u_i, u) \right|$$



Inviscid Limit

Scalar/Matrix Dissipation

- Without Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(M) & \mathcal{O}(M) & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mathcal{O}(M) & \mathcal{O}(1/M) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- With Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Inviscid Preconditioning insures proper scaling

Viscous Limit

Scalar/Matrix Dissipation



- With Inviscid Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(1/\text{Re}) & \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mathcal{O}(\text{Re}) & \mathcal{O}(1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- With Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(\text{Re}) & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1/\text{Re}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Viscous preconditioning insures proper scaling



Unsteady Limit

Scalar/Matrix Dissipation

- With Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} O(Str) & O(1) & O(1) \\ O(1/Str) & O(1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & O(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- With Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} O(1) & O(1/Str) & O(1) \\ O(1) & O(Str) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & O(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Unsteady preconditioning does not scale correctly



Unsteady Limit

AUSM-/CUSP-like Form

- Formulation:

$$\Delta \left[-\frac{\partial Q_p}{\partial \Delta} + \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} \right]_{cd} = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H + \frac{\Delta x_i}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Delta \left[\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x_i} \right]$$

$$\Lambda = K \left| \text{diag}(\sigma(\Gamma^{-1}A), u_i, u) \right|$$

- With Unsteady Preconditioning

$$AD = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{O}(1) & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mathcal{O}(1) & \mathcal{O}(1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{O}(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Now, the dissipation terms are scaled correctly



Robustness Issues

- Preconditioning has robustness difficulties:
 - Presence of stagnation regions
 - Influence of large pressure changes
- Stagnation Regions
 - Global cut-off (Tukel and others)
 - We employ a “local” maximum definition
- Large-Scale Pressure Changes at Low Mach
 - Linearly stable only for errors in the dynamic pressure
 - Non-linear instability caused by “fast” waves
 - Due to changes in the thermodynamic/acoustic pressure

Remedy



- **Note:**
 - Preconditioning necessary for efficiency and accuracy
 - Robustness demands are different
- **Standard Approaches**
 - Use physical system until “fast” waves are eliminated
 - Use “unsteady” form until “fast” waves are eliminated
 - Need to devise a clean framework for “switching”
- **Multiple Pseudo Time Framework:**
 - Use preconditioning for discretization
 - Do not use for non-linear time-marching
 - Use preconditioning for linear solver iterations



Multiple-Time Formulation

$$\square_1 \frac{\partial \mathcal{Q}_p}{\partial \square_1} + \square_2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{Q}_p}{\partial \square_2} + \square_3 \frac{\partial \mathcal{Q}_p}{\partial \square_3} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{Q}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial x_i} = -\frac{\partial V_i}{\partial x_i} + H$$

- **Outermost Time: Accuracy**
 - Choose preconditioning for accurate flux formulation
- **Intermediate Time: Robustness**
 - For non-linear time-marching to maintain robustness
 - Use physical time-derivatives
- **Innermost Time: Efficiency**
 - Choose preconditioning to optimize linear convergence



Properties

- Artificial Dissipation Time-Step
 - Set to infinity
- Non-linear Time-Step
 - Start at small values and ramp up to infinity
 - Not limited by linear solver stability restrictions
- Linear Solver
 - Start at infinity and reduce to optimal value for scheme
 - Inner iterations can be done at each non-linear step
 - Similar to unsteady computations
 - LU decomposition of matrix inverse may be stored

Summary



- **Derived a preconditioning approach:**
 - Suitable for all Mach, Re, Str, Fr, etc.
 - Enables accurate discrete formulation at all limits
 - Enables efficient linear solver convergence
 - Preferable not to introduce at non-linear iteration level
- **Asymptotic Analysis**
 - Derivation of preconditioning
 - Assessment of accuracy
- **Time-Marching:**
 - Provides a link between numerics and physics