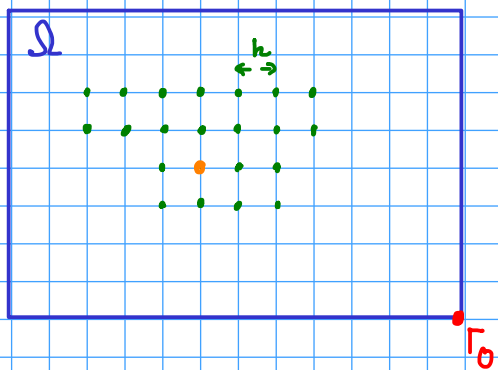


# §7 Fast-Marching-Method

## (7.1) Discretization of the Eikonal Eq.



$(i,j) \quad i,j \in \mathbb{Z}$

$u: \Omega_h \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 ↪ grid points

$$|\nabla u| = \frac{1}{F} > 0$$

F velocity-function

$$u|_{\Gamma_0} = 0$$

discretization

$$G_i(u) := \max(\mathcal{D}_x^- u_i, -\mathcal{D}_x^+ u_i, 0)^2 + \max(\mathcal{D}_y^- u_i, -\mathcal{D}_y^+ u_i, 0)^2 - \frac{1}{F_i^2} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

Written in full:

$$G_i(u)_{ij} = \max\left(\frac{u_{ij} - u_{i-1,j}}{h}, \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i+1,j}}{h}, 0\right)^2 + \max\left(\frac{u_{ij} - u_{i,j-1}}{h}, \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i,j+1}}{h}, 0\right)^2 - \frac{1}{F_{ij}^2} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

nonlinear system of equations of dimension

$$N = \#\Omega_h$$

How to solve?

1st idea: iteration  $u_{ij}^0, u_{ij}^1, u_{ij}^2, \dots$

advisable: use structure

Observations: 1)  $u_{ij} \uparrow \implies G(u)_{ij} \uparrow$   $\uparrow$  means non-decreasing  
rest fixed

2)  $u_{kl} \uparrow$   $G(u)_{ij} \downarrow$   $\downarrow$  means non-increasing  
 $(k,l) \neq (i,j)$

3)  $G$  continuous

4)  $G(u)_{ij} \rightarrow \infty$   $u_{ij} \rightarrow \infty$

5)  $G(u)_{ij} = -\frac{1}{F_{ij}^2} < 0$  if  $u_{ij} = \min(u_{i-1,j}, u_{i+1,j}, u_{i,j-1}, u_{i,j+1})$

## (7.2) Nonlinear Gauss-Seidel-Iteration (Rouy-Tourin '92)

A. Start with  $u^0 \equiv 0$   $\curvearrowright$   $G(u^0)_{ij} = -\frac{1}{F_{ij}^2} < 0$

B. Solve for all points  $(i,j)$  successively

$G(u)_{ij} = 0$  as a function of  $u_{ij}$  with  $u_{kl}$   $(k,l) \neq (i,j)$  fixed

every substep increases  
iteration number

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{11} \\ u_{12} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} G(u)_{11} \\ G(u)_{12} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \neq 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

for every grid point we solve just  
a scalar equation.

The result of summing through all components of  $u_i$  gives in the end  $u^N$

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(7.3) Convergence (as always if there monotonicity)

by induction:

$$\begin{array}{l} 1) \quad G(u^n)_{ij} \leq 0 \\ 2) \quad u_{ij}^n \uparrow \quad \text{wrt } n \end{array}$$

from that follows:  $u^n \rightarrow u$  with  $G(u) = 0$

proof: a) by ① & ② we know that  $u^n \rightarrow u$

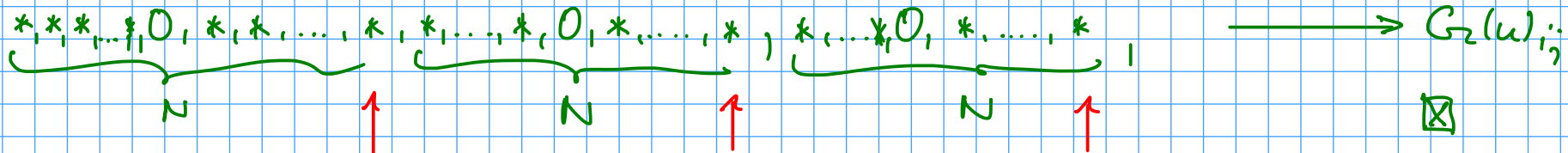
why: by ②  $u_{ij}^n$  is either  $\rightarrow \infty$  or convergent

Here  $G(u)_{ij} \rightarrow \infty$  is contradiction to  $G(u) \leq 0$

b)  $G(u^n) \rightarrow G(u)$  by continuity

$G_2(u)_{ij} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_2(u^n)_{ij} = 0$  since in every Gampf-Sidel loop we produce at least once a zero here.

Here is subsequence of zeros  $\Rightarrow G(u)_{ij} = 0$

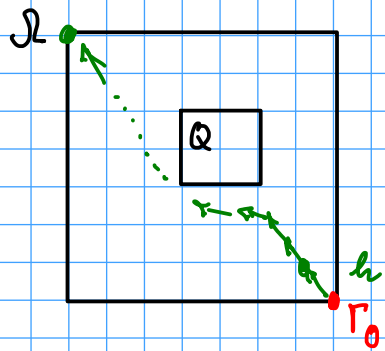


proof:  $n=0$  ✓

\* by making  $G_2(u)_{ij} = 0$  in  $u_{ij}$ ,  $G$  is increasing and therefore  $u_{ij}$  must increase

\* by increasing  $u_{ij}$  the values of  $G(u)_{kl}$  with  $(k,l) \neq (i,j)$  is decreasing, so they never get to be  $> 0$ . □

(7.5) Example :



$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \notin Q \\ 0.1 & x \in Q \end{cases}$$

$m \times m$  Grid ( $N = m^2$ ) the # of iterations seem to scale like  $c \cdot m$

Why? Information of the propagating front spreads through neighbors only within one outer step (all Gauss-Seidel updates done) the front has only moved by  $h$

but we have to come across the square: #iterations  $\sim \frac{\sqrt{2}}{h}$

Observation: Gauss-Seidel is doing much too much work in already converged regions of the solution

(7.4) Solution of  $G(u)_{ij} = 0$  in  $u_{ij}$   $\rightarrow$  exercises

(7.6) Discrete causality

imagine you have the solution  $u$  of

$$G(u)_{ij} = \max \left( \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i-1,j}}{h}, \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i+1,j}}{h}, 0 \right)^2 + \max \left( \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i,j-1}}{h}, \frac{u_{ij} - u_{i,j+1}}{h}, 0 \right)^2 - \frac{1}{F_{ij}^2}$$

$= 0$

$\forall i,j$

$u_{ij}$  depends only on those neighboring values, which are  $< u_{ij}$ .

"unwinding"

(corresponds to the picture of skeleton being the time of first arrival)