

EAS 471

Discretizations of the 1D linear advection eqn

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$\phi = \phi(x, t)$ is governed by $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 0$, $U = \text{given const.}$

Will need ^{one} init cond & ^{one} b/c cond on x axis. We know solution is

$$\phi(x, t) = \phi(x - Ut, 0) = \phi_0(x - Ut), \quad \phi_0(x) \text{ is initial field.}$$

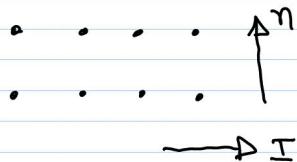
(this true because $\frac{D\phi}{Dt} = 0$, i.e. ϕ const. following the motion.)

Discretizing

$$\phi_I^n = \phi(I \Delta x, n \Delta t)$$

$$= \phi_0(\underbrace{I \Delta x - n U \Delta t}_{= I' \Delta x})$$

$= I' \Delta x$, is I' an integer?



Named algorithms

Euler

$$\frac{\phi_I^{n+1} - \phi_I^n}{\Delta t} = -u \frac{\phi_{I+1}^n - \phi_{I-1}^n}{2 \Delta x}$$

$O[\Delta t]$

centred on $n+1/2$

$O[\Delta x^2]$

centred on n

explicit,
unconditionally
unstable

Upstream differencing

explicit,

conditionally stable

$$\frac{\phi_I^{n+1} - \phi_I^n}{\Delta x} = -u \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\phi_I^n - \phi_{I-1}^n}{\Delta x} \\ \frac{\phi_{I+1}^n - \phi_I^n}{\Delta x} \end{array} \right.$$

$u > 0$

$u < 0$

Damped or neutral solution provided

$$0 \leq \frac{u \Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1$$

Courant number

Leapfrog scheme
(3 time level)

$$\frac{\phi_I^{n+1} - \phi_I^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = -u \frac{\phi_{I+1}^n - \phi_{I-1}^n}{2\Delta x}$$

$$O[\Delta t^2]$$

centred on n, I

$$O[\Delta x^2]$$

centred on n, I

aside 1:2:1 spatial filter

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ I-1 & I & I+1 \end{array}$$

$$T_I^{\text{corr}} = \frac{T_{I-1} + 2T_I + T_{I+1}}{4}$$

We showed diagrammatically that
for any "nearest neighbour" scheme
there is liable to be a problem
unless

$$\frac{u \Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1$$

The CFL condition
Courant - Friedrich - Levy

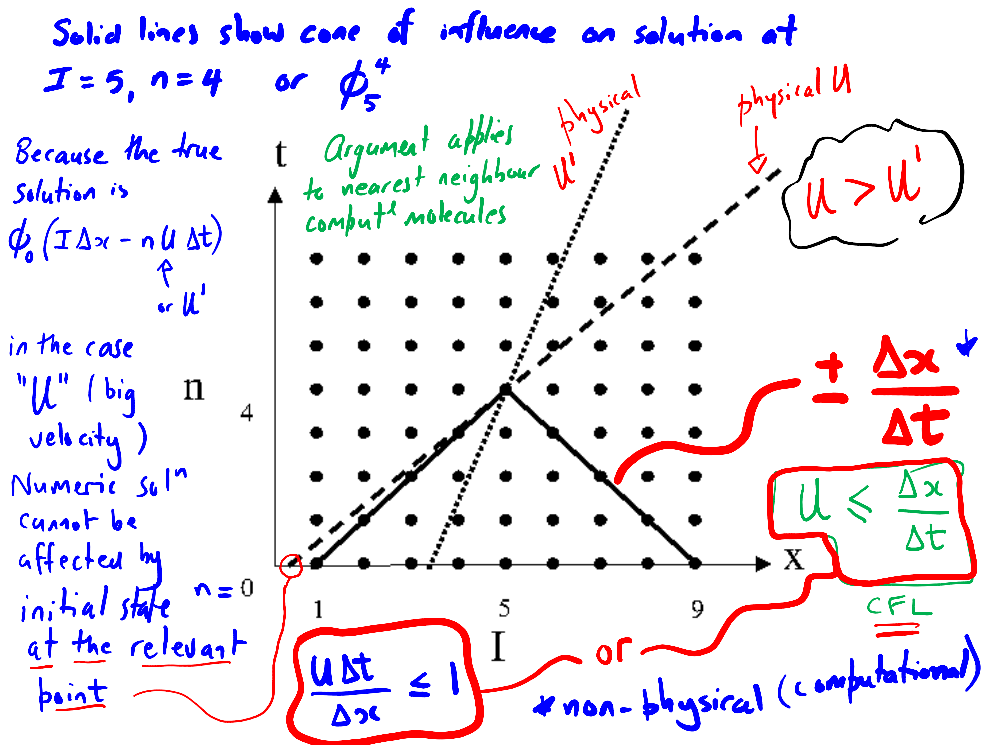


Figure 2.1: Cone of influence; from Haltiner and Williams p121