

The questions in this exercise sheet correspond to the chapter on finite differences, which is not included in the *Numerische Mathematik 2* transcript. An online textbook (Lloyd N. Trefethen: *Finite Difference and Spectral Methods for Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations*) covering that (and additional) material can be found at <http://people.maths.ox.ac.uk/trefethen/pdetext.html>. The exercises below correspond to section 3.2 of that textbook.

The notation used is the same as in that textbook, in particular,  $u_t = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ ,  $u_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ ,  $u_{xx} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ , and  $v_j^n = v(x_j, t_n)$ , the discretized version of  $u(x_j, t_n)$ .

76. (a) Implement the **Leap frog** formula for the **first-order wave equation**  $u_t = u_x$ :

$$v_j^{n+1} = v_j^{n-1} + \frac{k}{h}(v_{j+1}^n - v_{j-1}^n)$$

in a MATLAB or Octave program with the following inputs:

- a space step  $h$ ,
- a time step  $k$ ,
- a radius  $M$  such that the space interval considered is  $[-M, M]$  ( $M$  should be a multiple of  $h$ ),
- a target time  $T$ , which should be a multiple of  $k$ , and
- a list  $\mathbf{v0}$  of length  $2\frac{M}{h} + 1$  discretizing the initial conditions  $u_0(x)$ , i.e.  $\mathbf{v0}(j) = u_0(-M + jh)$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq 2\frac{M}{h}$

and with as output a list  $\mathbf{vT}$  of length  $2\frac{M}{h} + 1$  discretizing the solution  $u(x, T)$  at the time  $T$ .

Note: You can assume that  $u(x, t) = 0$  for  $x \notin [-M, M]$ , i.e. ignore the term  $v_{j-1}^n$  at  $x = -M$  and the term  $v_{j+1}^n$  at  $x = M$ .

In addition, at  $t = 0$ , use  $v_j^{n-1} = v_j^n = \mathbf{v0}(j)$ .

- (b) Run your program on the hat-shaped initial data  $u_0(x) = \max(0, 1 - |x|)$  and the parameters  $h = 0.1$ ,  $k = 0.04$ ,  $M = 5$  and  $T = 1$ .
- (c) Plot the result and compare it with the exact solution

$$u(x, 1) = \max(0, 1 - |x + 1|).$$

77. (a) Implement the **Lax-Wendroff** formula for the **first-order wave equation**  $u_t = u_x$ :

$$v_j^{n+1} = v_j^n + \frac{k}{2h}(v_{j+1}^n - v_{j-1}^n) + \frac{k^2}{2h^2}(v_{j+1}^n - 2v_j^n + v_{j-1}^n)$$

in a MATLAB or Octave program with same inputs and output as in example 76.

Note: Assume again that  $u(x, t) = 0$  for  $x \notin [-M, M]$ .

- (b) Run your program on the hat-shaped initial data  $u_0(x) = \max(0, 1 - |x|)$  and the parameters  $h = 0.1$ ,  $k = 0.04$ ,  $M = 5$  and  $T = 1$ .
- (c) Plot the result and compare it with the exact solution

$$u(x, 1) = \max(0, 1 - |x + 1|)$$

and with the result from example 76 (c).

78. (a) Implement the **Euler** formula for the **heat equation**  $u_t = u_{xx}$ :

$$v_j^{n+1} = v_j^n + \frac{k}{h^2}(v_{j+1}^n - 2v_j^n + v_{j-1}^n)$$

in a MATLAB or Octave program with same inputs and output as in examples 76 and 77.

Note: You can assume that  $u(x, t) \approx 0$  for  $x \notin [-M, M]$ , i.e. ignore the term  $v_{j-1}^n$  at  $x = -M$  and the term  $v_{j+1}^n$  at  $x = M$  as if they were exactly zero.

- (b) Run your program on the hat-shaped initial data  $u_0(x) = \max(0, 1 - |x|)$  and the parameters  $h = 0.1$ ,  $k = 0.004$ ,  $M = 5$  and  $T = 1$ .

Note: We need a smaller time step  $k$  here than in the examples 76 and 77 because we have a  $\frac{k}{h^2}$  term in the formula instead of  $\frac{k}{h}$ .

- (c) Plot the result.