

# Wave Math

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## 1 Simple 2D Damped Wave Equation

The simplest 2D damped wave equation is

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) - \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \text{ or } D_t^2 u = c^2 (D_x^2 u + D_y^2 u) - \mu D_t u$$

For wave magnitude  $u(x, y, t)$  (vertical displacement of fluid, etc...) at point  $(x, y)$  and time  $t$ , wave speed  $c$ , and damping coefficient  $\mu \geq 0$  (think fluid viscosity).

## 2 Descretising the Simple 2D Case

Fixing space scales  $\Delta x = \Delta y$  and time scale  $\Delta t$ , we let  $u_{j,k}^n$  be the numerically calculated value of  $u(x_j, y_k, t_n)$  (note that it can be thought  $x_j = j\Delta x$  and  $y_k = k\Delta y$  as they are in denominations of grid cells, and  $t_n$  is the  $n$ th timestep so  $t_n = n\Delta t$  assuming we're starting from 0 time).

Then for each term applying the limit definition of derivative for forward, backward, and centered difference we get:

**First order spatial derivatives:**

$$\text{Forward: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j + \Delta x, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\Delta x} \approx \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - u_{j,k}^n}{\Delta x}$$

$$\text{Backward: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j - \Delta x, y_k, t_n)}{\Delta x} \approx \frac{u_{j,k}^n - u_{j-1,k}^n}{\Delta x}$$

$$\text{Centered: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial x} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j + \frac{1}{2}\Delta x, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j - \frac{1}{2}\Delta x, y_k, t_n)}{2\Delta x} \approx \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - u_{j-1,k}^n}{2\Delta x}$$

And then the same for  $\frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial y}$ .

**Second order Spatial Derivatives:** via taking a Forward difference of a backward derivative (seen below) or vice versa.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial x^2} &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(u(x_j + \Delta x, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j - \Delta x + \Delta x, y_k, t_n)) - (u(x_j, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j - \Delta x, y_k, t_n))}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j + \Delta x, y_k, t_n) - 2u(x_j, y_k, t_n) + u(x_j - \Delta x, y_k, t_n)}{\Delta x^2} \approx \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j-1,k}^n}{\Delta x^2}\end{aligned}$$

And similarly, the same for  $\frac{\partial^2 u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial y^2}$

**Time Derivatives (1st and 2nd order):**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{1st Forward: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial t} &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j, y_k, t_n + \Delta t) - u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\Delta t} \approx \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - u_{j,k}^n}{\Delta t} \\ \text{1st Backward: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial t} &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j, y_k, t_n) - u(x_j, y_k, t_n - \Delta t)}{\Delta t} \approx \frac{u_{j,k}^n - u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t} \\ \text{1st Centered: } \frac{\partial u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial t} &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j, y_k, t_n + \frac{1}{2}\Delta t) - u(x_j, y_k, t_n - \frac{1}{2}\Delta t)}{2\Delta t} \approx \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \\ \text{2st Forward of Backward: } \frac{\partial^2 u(x_j, y_k, t_n)}{\partial t^2} &= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_j, y_k, t_n + \Delta t) - 2u(x_j, y_k, t_n) + u(x_j, y_k, t_n - \Delta t)}{\Delta t^2} \\ &\approx \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2}\end{aligned}$$

**Plugging into the DE:** (remember, we want to solve for the current cell at the next time, so  $u_{j,k}^{n+1}$ . As such I will be using the centered time derivative) Additionally, I will assume the grid cells are perfect squares, so  $\Delta x = \Delta y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} &= c^2 \left( \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j-1,k}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{j,k+1}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k-1}^n}{\Delta y^2} \right) - \mu \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \\ \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} + \mu \frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} &= c^2 \left( \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j-1,k}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{j,k+1}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \right) \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}(u_{j,k}^{n+1} - u_{j,k}^{n-1}) &= \frac{c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j+1,k}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j-1,k}^n + u_{j,k+1}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k-1}^n) \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k}^{n+1} - \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k}^{n-1} &= \frac{c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j\pm 1,k}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1}^n) - \frac{4c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}u_{j,k}^n \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k}^{n+1} &= \frac{c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j\pm 1,k}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1}^n) - \frac{4c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}u_{j,k}^n + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k}^{n-1} + 2u_{j,k}^n - u_{j,k}^{n-1} \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1}(1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}) &= \frac{c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j\pm 1,k}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1}^n) + (2 - \frac{4c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2})u_{j,k}^n + (\frac{\mu\Delta t}{2} - 1)u_{j,k}^{n-1} \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1} &= \frac{c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2(1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2})} (u_{j\pm 1,k}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1}^n) + \frac{2 - 4c^2\Delta t^2/\Delta x^2}{1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}}u_{j,k}^n + \frac{\frac{\mu\Delta t}{2} - 1}{1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}}u_{j,k}^{n-1} \\ u_{j,k}^{n+1} &= \frac{2c^2\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2(2 + \mu\Delta t)} (u_{j\pm 1,k}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1}^n) + \frac{4 - 8c^2\Delta t^2/\Delta x^2}{2 + \mu\Delta t}u_{j,k}^n + \frac{\mu\Delta t - 2}{2 + \mu\Delta t}u_{j,k}^{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

### 3 Expanding to 3D

Similarly to the 2D case, expanding to 3D is

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) - \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \text{ or } D_t^2 u = c^2 (D_x^2 u + D_y^2 u + D_z^2 u) - \mu D_t u \text{ or } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \nabla^2 u - \mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

With the discretization of  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$  following similarly to that of  $x$  and  $y$  (and of course  $u(x_j, y_k, z_\ell, t_n) = u_{j,k,\ell}^n$ ). And similarly the assumption  $\Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} &= c^2 \left( \frac{u_{j+1,k,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j-1,k,\ell}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{j,k+1,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k-1,\ell}^n}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{u_{j,k,\ell+1}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell-1}^n}{\Delta z^2} \right) - \mu \frac{u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \\ \frac{u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} + \mu \frac{u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} &= c^2 \left( \frac{u_{j+1,k,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j-1,k,\ell}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{j,k+1,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k-1,\ell}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{u_{j,k,\ell+1}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell-1}^n}{\Delta x^2} \right) \\ u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}(u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1}) &= \frac{c^2}{\Delta x^2} \left( u_{j+1,k,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j-1,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k+1,\ell}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k-1,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell+1}^n - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell-1}^n \right) \\ u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} - \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} &= \frac{c^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j\pm 1,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell\pm 1}^n - 6u_{j,k,\ell}^n) \\ u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} \left( 1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2} \right) &= \frac{c^2}{\Delta x^2} (u_{j\pm 1,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell\pm 1}^n) - \frac{6c^2}{\Delta x^2} u_{j,k,\ell}^n + 2u_{j,k,\ell}^n - u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} \\ u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} &= \frac{c^2}{\Delta x^2 \left( 1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2} \right)} (u_{j\pm 1,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell\pm 1}^n) + \frac{2 - 6c^2/\Delta x^2}{1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}} u_{j,k,\ell}^n + \frac{\frac{\mu\Delta t}{2} - 1}{1 + \frac{\mu\Delta t}{2}} u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} \\ u_{j,k,\ell}^{n+1} &= \frac{2c^2}{\Delta x^2 (2 + \mu\Delta t)} (u_{j\pm 1,k,\ell}^n + u_{j,k\pm 1,\ell}^n + u_{j,k,\ell\pm 1}^n) + \frac{4 - 12c^2/\Delta x^2}{2 + \mu\Delta t} u_{j,k,\ell}^n + \frac{\mu\Delta t - 2}{2 + \mu\Delta t} u_{j,k,\ell}^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$