

**Problem 1 (Theoretical)**

Part 1: Carry out von Neumann stability analysis to show that the BTCS method is unconditionally stable

Part 2: Carry out Taylor expansions to show that the local truncation error of the Crank-Nicolson method is

$$e_t^n(\Delta x, \Delta t) = \Delta t O((\Delta t)^2 + (\Delta x)^2)$$

In the final expression, be sure to convert  $r$  back to  $\Delta t/(\Delta x)^2$ .

1)

Part 1

$$U_i^{n+1} = \beta^n \exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x)$$

Sub into numerical method

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x) + r \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x) (\exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x - 2) + \exp(\sqrt{-1} \xi_i \Delta x))$$

$$\beta = 1 + r \beta \left( \cos(\xi_i \Delta x) + \sqrt{-1} \sin(\xi_i \Delta x) - 2 + \cos(-\xi_i \Delta x) + \sqrt{-1} \sin(-\xi_i \Delta x) \right)$$

$$\beta = 1 + r \beta (2 \cos(\xi_i \Delta x) - 2)$$

$$\beta - r \beta (2 \cos(\xi_i \Delta x) - 2) = 1$$

$$\beta (1 - r (2 \cos(\xi_i \Delta x) - 2)) = 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{1 - 2r(\cos(\xi_i \Delta x) - 1)}$$

For stability we need  $|\beta| \leq 1 + C \Delta t$

$$|\beta| = \frac{1}{1 + 4r \sin^2(\frac{\xi_i \Delta x}{2})}$$

since the denom is always positive and

greater than 1  $| \beta | \leq 1 + C \Delta t$

## Part 2

C-N method

$$U_i^{n+1} = U_i^n + \frac{r}{2} (U_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2U_i^{n+1} + U_{i-1}^{n+1}) + \frac{C}{2} (U_{i+1}^n - 2U_i^n + U_{i-1}^n)$$

NTS

$$C_i^n(\Delta x, \Delta t) = \Delta t O((\Delta t)^2 + (\Delta x)^2)$$

$$C_i^n(\Delta x, \Delta t) = \left\{ U(x_{i+1}, t_{n+1}) \right\} - L_{num} \left\{ U(x_i, t_n) \right\}$$

for CN

$$U(x_i, t_{n+1}) - U(x_i, t_n) - \frac{C}{2} \left[ U(x_{i+1}, t_n) - 2U(x_i, t_n) + U(x_{i-1}, t_n) + U(x_{i+1}, t_{n+1}) - 2U(x_i, t_{n+1}) + U(x_{i-1}, t_{n+1}) \right]$$

Expand around  $(x_i, t_n)$

$$U(x_i, t_{n+1}) - U(x_i, t_n) = U_t \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} U_{tt} (\Delta t)^2 + O(\Delta t^3)$$

$$U(x_{i+1}, t_n) - 2U(x_i, t_n) + U(x_{i-1}, t_n) =$$

$$\cancel{U(x_i, t_n)} + \cancel{U_x \Delta x} + \frac{U_{xx}}{2} \Delta x^2 + O(\Delta x^4) - \cancel{2U(x_i, t_n)}$$

$$+ \cancel{U(x_{i+1}, t_n)} - \cancel{U_x \Delta x} + \frac{U_{xx}}{2} \Delta x^2 + O(\Delta x^4)$$

$$= U_{xx} \Delta x^2 + O(\Delta x^4)$$

$$U(x_{i+1}, t_{n+1}) - 2U(x_i, t_{n+1}) + U(x_{i-1}, t_{n+1}) = U(x_i + \Delta x, t_n + \Delta t) - 2U(x_i, t_n + \Delta t)$$

$$+ U(x_i - \Delta x, t_n + \Delta t)$$

$$= (\Delta x)^2 U_{xx} \Big|_{(x_i, t_{n+1})} + O(\Delta x)^4$$

$$\Delta x^2 U_{xx} + \Delta x^2 \Delta t U_{xxt} + O((\Delta x)^4 + (\Delta t)^2)$$

$$U_{xxt} = U_{xyxx} \quad r = \frac{\Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2}$$

$$U_{tt} = U_{xxxx}$$

$$e_i^n(\Delta x, \Delta t) = U_t \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} U_{tt} (\Delta t)^2 + O(\Delta t^3) - \frac{\Delta t}{2(\Delta x)^2} \left[ U_{xx} (\Delta x)^2 + U_{xx} (\Delta x)^2 + U_{xxt} (\Delta x)^2 (\Delta t) + O(\Delta x^4) + O(\Delta t^2) \right]$$

$$e_i^n(\Delta x, \Delta t) = \cancel{U_{xx} \Delta t} + \frac{1}{2} \cancel{U_{xxxx} (\Delta t)^2} - \cancel{U_{xx} (\Delta t)^2} - \cancel{U_{xxt} (\Delta t)^2} + \Delta t O(\Delta x^2 + \Delta t^2) + O((\Delta t)^3)$$

$$= \Delta t O(\Delta x^2 + \Delta t^2)$$

**Problem 2 (Theoretical)**

Consider matrix

$$A = \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & & \\ 1 & -2 & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & 1 \\ & & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}_{(N-1) \times (N-1)}, \quad \Delta x = \frac{1}{N}$$

Part 1: Verify that the set below are eigenvalues and eigenvectors of matrix A.

$$\lambda^{(k)} = \frac{2}{(\Delta x)^2} (\cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 1), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

$$w^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \sin(k\pi i \Delta x), & i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$$

Part 2: Verify that

$$\frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} (\cos(k\pi(i-1)\Delta x) - 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) + \cos(k\pi(i+1)\Delta x))$$

$$= \frac{2}{(\Delta x)^2} (\cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 1) \cdot \cos(k\pi i \Delta x), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

Part 3: Explain why  $u^{(k)} = [\cos(k\pi i \Delta x), i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1]$  is NOT an eigenvector of A.

Hint: What boundary conditions did we use in defining matrix A?

2)

$$\overbrace{Au}^2 \xrightarrow{A} \overbrace{D_x^2 u}^2$$

$$D_x^2 \{u\}_i = \frac{U_{i+1} - 2U_i + U_{i-1}}{(\Delta x)^2} = \lambda_i U_i$$

$$V_0 = 0 \quad V_N = 0$$

W.T.S.

$$\underbrace{w_{i+1}^{(k)} - 2w_i^{(k)} + w_{i-1}^{(k)}}_{(\Delta x)^2} = \lambda^{(k)} w_i^{(k)}$$

$$w_0^{(k)} = 0, \quad w_N^{(k)} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\sin(k\pi(i+1)\Delta x) - 2\sin(k\pi(i)\Delta x) + \sin(k\pi(i-1)\Delta x)}_{(\Delta x)^2} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{2}{(\Delta x)^2} (\cos(k\pi\Delta x) - 1) \cdot \sin(k\pi i \Delta x)$$

$$\sin(A+B) = \sin(A)\cos(B) + \cos(A)\sin(B)$$

LHS

$$= \sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) + \cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \cancel{\sin(k\pi \Delta x)} - 2\sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \\ + \sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) - \cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \cancel{\sin(k\pi \Delta x)}$$

$$= \underbrace{2\sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 2\sin(k\pi i \Delta x)}_{(\Delta x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2\sin(k\pi i \Delta x)}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 1) \stackrel{RHS}{=} \frac{2}{\Delta x^2} \sin(k\pi i \Delta x) (\cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 1)$$

$$i=0 \Rightarrow \sin(k\pi(0)\Delta x) = \sin(0) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$i=N \Rightarrow \sin(k\pi N(\frac{1}{N})) = \sin(k\pi) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

We have verified that  $\lambda^{(k)}$  and  $w^{(k)}$  ...

We have verified that  $\lambda^{(k)}$  and  $w^{(k)}$  are eigenvalues and eigen vectors of matrix A respectively ~~are~~

Part 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \left[ \cos(k\pi(i-1)\Delta x) - 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) + \cos(k\pi(i+1)\Delta x) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \left[ \cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) + \sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \sin(k\pi \Delta x) - 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) - \sin(k\pi i \Delta x) \sin(k\pi \Delta x) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \left[ 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} 2\cos(k\pi i \Delta x) [\cos(k\pi \Delta x) - 1]
 \end{aligned}$$

Part 3 If we take the natural extention of  $U^{(k)}$

We see that  $\cos(k\pi(0)\Delta x) \neq 0$  and

$\cos(k\pi) \neq 0$  thus  $U^{(k)}$  does not satisfy the zero boundary conditions.