

# Advection with Upwinding and BFECC

This project is due at 11 PM on Tuesday, April 5.

In this project you will write two codes to approximate solutions of

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(x, t) + v(x) \partial_x u(x, t) &= 0 \text{ on } [0, 1] \times [0, T], \\ u(0, t) &= u(1, t) \text{ on } [0, T], \\ u(x, 0) &= g(x) \text{ on } [0, 1],\end{aligned}$$

where  $v$ ,  $T$ , and  $g$  are given.

Your codes should compute numbers  $U_j^m$  that approximate the value of  $u(j \, dx, m \, dt)$ , where  $dx = 1/N$ ,  $dt$  is given. Here  $N$  is a positive integer. It will be the case that  $dt$  will be chosen so that  $dt \max_{x \in [0, 1]} |v| \leq dx$ .

I suggest that your code should maintain *time* as a variable and store the solution corresponding to that time in a vector  $U$  of length  $N + 1$ , with  $U_0 = U_N$ . At appropriate values of *time* you should save or write the values in  $U$  so that you can make the plots requested.

## First Order Upwind

Given the approximation solution  $U$  at some time  $t$ , we want to compute  $W$ , the approximate solution corresponding to  $t + dt$ . The scheme to us is given by the pseudo code here.

```
for j = 0, ..., N-1
    frac = v( j dx) *dt / dx
    if frac < 0
        k = j + 1
        frac = -frac
    else
        k = j - 1 mod N
    W[j] = U[j] + frac*(U[k]-U[j])
W[N] = W[0]
```

(Note that any integer mod  $N$  should be in  $[0, N - 1]$ .)

Suppose that this is encapsulated as a function `step_upwind( N, dt, dx, v, U )` that returns `W`.

## Case 0

Test your code with  $v \equiv 1$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $N = 80$ ,  $dt = dx = 1/N$ . The initial condition

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 20x & \text{on } [0, 0.05] \\ 2 - 20x & \text{on } [0.05, 0.1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

Produce a single graph that shows  $U$  at  $t = 0$ ,  $t = 1/4$ ,  $t = 1/2$ , and  $t = 1$ .

## Case 1

Next use the same parameters with  $v \equiv -1$  and produce a corresponding graph.

**The results of these experiments should be essentially perfect. If they are not, it indicates a bug.**

## Case 2

Next repeat Case 0, except using  $dt = dx/2$ .

## Back & Forth Error Compensation & Correction (BFECC)

In this scheme, to advance  $U$ , the approximate solution at  $t$  to  $t + dt$  we use `step_upwind` three time as follows:

```
G = step_upwind(N, dt, dx, v, U)
B = step_upwind(N, -dt, dx, v, G)
```

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C = U + (1/2) (U-B)
W = setp_upwind(N, dt, dx, v, C)

```

For the PDE B would be the same as U, but U was smoothed when moving to G and again when moving back to B. In C we added in the amount we expect U to lose when moved forward with `step_upwind`.

## Case 3

Redo Case 2 using BFECC.

## Case 4

Redo Case 3 with  $N = 320$ ,  $dx = 1/N$ , and  $dt = dx/2$ .

## Case 5

Use the same initial condition,  $g()$ , as above. Take  $N = 320$ ,  $dt = dx/2$ , and take

$$v(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on } [0, 1/4] \\ 1 - 2(x - 1/4) & \text{on } (1/4, 1/2] \\ 1/2 & \text{on } (1/2, 3/4] \\ 1/2 + 2(x - 3/4) & \text{on } (3/4, 1]. \end{cases}$$

Stop when  $t > 3/4 + \ln(2)$ . So we have something to call it, let's refer to this as a ramped velocity.

Plot the solution on a single plot at about  $t = 0.3 * k$  for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

For each plot that you make there should be a title or a caption that gives some information about the parameters and scheme used in computing the solutions. For example Case 3 might have a title or caption

Snapshots produce by BFECC using  $N=80$ ,  $dt=dx/2$ ,  $v=1$ , at times  $t = 0, 1/4, 1/2, 1$ .

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