


Evolving the FOSH-SW

system

Goal:

Simulate two pulses
approaching & passing
through each other.



The scalar wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

We convert this into a first-order system of equations by introducing the auxiliary fields Π and Φ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\pi \\ \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial x} \end{array} \right\}$$

Equations written in
conservation form:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = S$$

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ \pi \\ \psi \end{pmatrix}, F = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \psi \\ \pi \end{pmatrix}, S = \begin{pmatrix} -\pi \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We must specify three initial profiles:

$$\psi_0, \pi_0, \varpi_0.$$

For the first-order advection equation, we only needed to specify the initial profile. (One degree of freedom.)

Does the second-order scalar wave eqn really have three degrees of freedom?

No, one eqn. is a constraint.

ψ is set freely.

$\pi = -\partial_t \psi$ is also set freely

$\Phi = \partial_x \psi$ is a constraint eqn.

Φ is determined by ψ and cannot be set freely.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial t} &= - \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} &= - \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial x} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

are not advection equations, they cannot be evolved with an upwind scheme.

Now we will obtain a higher-order method. We start with FTCS :

forward - time - centered - space .

Our first attempt at amending the upwind scheme, since now wave fronts can move forwards and backwards, is to average the upwind and downwind derivatives.

upwind (for $v > 0$)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_x^{\text{up}} = \frac{\psi(x) - \psi(x - \Delta x)}{\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$$

downwind (for $v < 0$)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_x^{\text{dwn}} = \frac{\psi(x + \Delta x) - \psi(x)}{\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_x \stackrel{\text{centered}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \left(\left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_x^{\text{up}} + \left. \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right|_x^{\text{down}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\psi(x+\Delta x) - \psi(x-\Delta x)}{2\Delta x} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$$

Note, the $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$ terms cancel out, leaving $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$ as the error (see book)

Pseudo code for $\partial \Psi / \partial x$:

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def centred_finite_difference ( $\Psi$ ):  
    d $\Psi$ _dx = [0]  
    for i in range (1, len( $\Psi$ )-1):  
        d $\Psi$ _dx.append ( $\frac{\Psi[i+1] - \Psi[i-1]}{2\Delta x}$ )  
    d $\Psi$ _dx.append (0)  
    return d $\Psi$ _dx
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Recall our update equations:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -\Pi$$

$$\frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x}$$

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(at a point x)

$$\Psi(t+\Delta t) \approx \Psi(t) - \Pi \Delta t$$

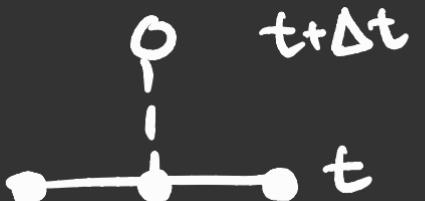
$$\Pi(t+\Delta t) \approx \Pi(t) - \partial_x \Psi \Delta t$$

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these can be computed using
a centered finite difference.

$$\Psi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \Psi(x, t) - \Pi \Delta t$$



$$\Pi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \Pi(x, t) - \frac{\Phi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Phi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x} \Delta t$$

$$\Phi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \Phi(x, t) - \frac{\Pi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Pi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x} \Delta t$$

This is the FTCS scheme for solving the scalar wave system.

It is not stable.

How can we anticipate this instability? von Neumann stability analysis.

First, the adv. eqn. w/ the upwind scheme.

Suppose the field u has linear evolution equations (the principle of superposition applies)

Then,

$$u(x,t) \approx \sum_{i=0}^N \xi_i(t) e^{ik_i x}$$

The profile u can be represented as a sum of modes evolving independently, superposed.

We can analyze one mode at a time.

$$u_k(x, t) = \xi_k(t) e^{ikx}$$

adv. eqn.


u_k

at the next time step,

$$u_k(x, t + \Delta t) = u_k(x, t) - v \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (u_k(x, t) - u_k(x - \Delta x, t))$$

$$\xi_k(t + \Delta t) e^{ikx} = \xi_k(t) e^{ikx} - v \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\xi_k(t) e^{ikx} - \xi_k(t) e^{ik(x - \Delta x)})$$

$$\xi_k(t + \Delta t) = \xi_k(t) - v \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\xi_k(t) - \xi_k(t) e^{-ik \Delta x})$$

$$\xi_k(t + \Delta t) = \xi_k(t) - V \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\xi_k(t) - \bar{\xi}_k(t) e^{-ik\Delta x})$$

$$\frac{\xi_k(t + \Delta t)}{\xi_k(t)} = 1 - V \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (1 - e^{-ik\Delta x})$$

$$\frac{\xi_k(t + \Delta t)}{\xi_k(t)} = 1 - \alpha + \alpha e^{-ik\Delta x}$$

The amplification factor is :

$$|1 - \alpha + \alpha e^{-ik\Delta x}| \leq 1 \quad \text{required for stability}$$

in the worst case, $e^{-ik\Delta x} = -1$,

$$|1 - \alpha - \alpha| \leq 1 \Rightarrow |1 - 2\alpha| \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq 1 - 2\alpha \leq 1 \Rightarrow -2 \leq -2\alpha \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \leq -\alpha \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} \quad \text{CFL condition}$$

If the CFL condition is met,
the upwind scheme is stable for all
modes k !

We can do VNSA for the
adv. eqn. with the FTCS scheme.

We find $\frac{\xi(t + \Delta t)}{\xi(t)} = 1 - i \frac{v \Delta t}{\Delta x} \sin(k \Delta x)$

which has modulus > 1 for all modes k .

We then proceed to amend the FTCS scheme with a replacement:

$$\psi(x,t) \rightarrow \psi(x,t) \text{ (why?)} \quad \nearrow t + \Delta t$$

$$\pi(x,t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\pi(x+\Delta x) + \pi(x-\Delta x)) \quad \leftarrow t$$

$$\Phi(x,t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(x+\Delta x) + \Phi(x-\Delta x))$$

With this replacement, the FTCS scheme becomes the Lax-Friedrichs scheme.

VNSA returns

$$\left| \frac{\xi(t + \Delta t)}{\xi(t)} \right|^2 = 1 - \sin^2(k\Delta x) \left(1 - \frac{v^2 \Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2} \right)$$

\Rightarrow stable as long as $(1 - \alpha^2) \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow -1 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ (CFL condition)

Why is Lax-Friedrichs stable
over FTCS?

lets look at the first update eqn.

$$\Pi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \Pi(x, t) - \frac{\Pi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Pi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x} \Delta t \leftarrow \text{FTCS}$$

This update equation becomes...

$$\Pi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \frac{1}{2} (\Pi(x + \Delta x) + \Pi(x - \Delta x)) \quad \text{Lax-Friedrichs} \\ - \frac{\Pi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Pi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x} \Delta t \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\frac{\Pi(x, t + \Delta t)}{\Delta t} \approx \frac{(\Pi(x + \Delta x) + \Pi(x - \Delta x))}{2\Delta t} - \frac{\Pi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Pi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{\pi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \frac{\pi(x + \Delta x) + \pi(x - \Delta x) + 2\pi(x, t) - 2\pi(x, t)}{2\Delta t}}{\Delta t}$$

$$- \frac{\Psi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Psi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{\pi(x, t + \Delta t) - \pi(x, t)}{\Delta t} \approx \frac{\pi(x + \Delta x) - 2\pi(x, t) + \pi(x - \Delta x)}{2\Delta t}$$

$$- \frac{\Psi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Psi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x}$$

$$\frac{\pi(x, t + \Delta t) - \pi(x, t)}{\Delta t} \approx \text{finite difference for}$$

2nd derivative!

$$\frac{\Delta x^2 (\pi(x + \Delta x) - 2\pi(x, t) + \pi(x - \Delta x))}{2\Delta t \Delta x^2} - \frac{\Phi(x + \Delta x, t) - \Phi(x - \Delta x, t)}{2\Delta x}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\frac{\Delta x^2}{2\Delta t} \frac{\partial^2 \pi}{\partial x^2}}_{\text{numerical diffusion}} - \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x}$$

is what we
are
evolving — a
diffusion eqn!

\Rightarrow The Lax-Friedrichs eqns evolve:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -\Pi$$

$$\frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2\Delta t} \frac{\partial^2 \Pi}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial x} + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2\Delta t} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2}$$

The numerical dissipation goes to zero faster than truncation error \rightarrow solution converges.

Again, the update equations are:

$$\psi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \psi(x, t) - \pi(x, t) \Delta t$$

$$\pi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \frac{1}{2} (\pi(x + \Delta x, t) + \pi(x - \Delta x, t))$$

$$- \frac{\psi(x + \Delta x, t) - \psi(x - \Delta x, t)}{\Delta x} \Delta t$$

$$\psi(x, t + \Delta t) \approx \frac{1}{2} (\psi(x + \Delta x, t) + \psi(x - \Delta x, t))$$

$$- \frac{\pi(x + \Delta x, t) - \pi(x - \Delta x, t)}{\Delta x} \Delta t$$

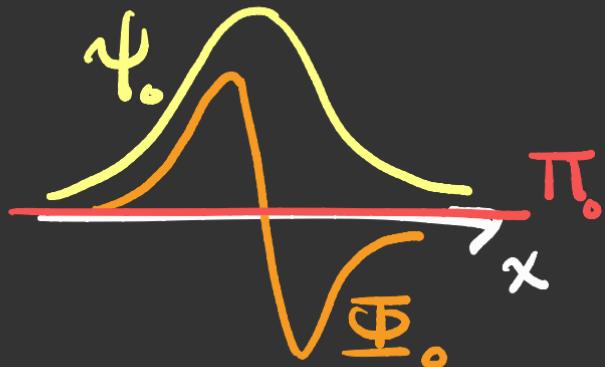
Let's code these up!

Initial profiles, ex:

$$\psi_0 = \frac{A}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\pi_0 = 0$$

$$\underline{\Phi}_0 = \partial_x \psi_0 = \frac{-A(x-\mu)}{\sigma^3 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} = \frac{-(x-\mu)}{\sigma^2} \psi_0$$



Test setting π_0 to different values.

Set $\underline{\Phi}_0$ such that the constraint is violated.
What happens?

A moving Gaussian has profile:

$$\Psi(x,t) = \frac{A}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-vt-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad v = \pm 1$$

To initialize a moving Gaussian, Π_0 must be specified correctly!

$$\Pi_0 = -\partial_t \Psi = \frac{v(x-vt-\mu)}{\sigma^2} \Psi = v \partial_x \Psi$$

$$\Phi_0 = \partial_x \Psi = \frac{(x-vt-\mu)}{\sigma^2} \Psi$$

We've now evolved $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \psi = 0$

$$\partial_t^2 \psi - \partial_x^2 \psi = 0$$

Homework!

evolve $\partial_t^2 \psi - \partial_x^2 \psi = \rho$

with $\rho(x,t)$ a sinusoidally moving Gaussian 

Hint: first find first-order formulation, then use previous slide for hint on moving Gaussian.