

# PHYS:5905 Homework 8

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1. HW 8a, Problem 1

(c) Let  $u_j^n = \xi^n e^{ikj\Delta x}$ , then

$$\frac{1}{2\Delta t}(\xi^{n+1}e^{ikj\Delta x} - \xi^{n-1}e^{ikj\Delta x}) = -c\frac{1}{2\Delta x}(\xi^n e^{ik(j+1)\Delta x} - \xi^n e^{ik(j-1)\Delta x}).$$

Then

$$\xi^2 + c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}2i\sin k\Delta x\xi - 1 = 0,$$

we have

$$\xi = -c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}i\sin k\Delta x \pm \sqrt{1 - c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x}.$$

(d) When

$$1 - c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x \geq 0,$$

$$|\xi| = \sqrt{c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x + 1 - c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x} = 1,$$

so the leapfrog scheme is stable when

$$c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1.$$

On the other hand, when  $c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} > 1$ , then for some  $k > 0$ ,

$$1 - c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x < 0,$$

then

$$|\xi| = |c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}\sin k\Delta x| + |\sqrt{c^2\frac{\Delta t^2}{\Delta x^2}\sin^2 k\Delta x - 1}| > 1,$$

so the algorithm is unstable. Hence, the stability condition is

$$c\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1.$$

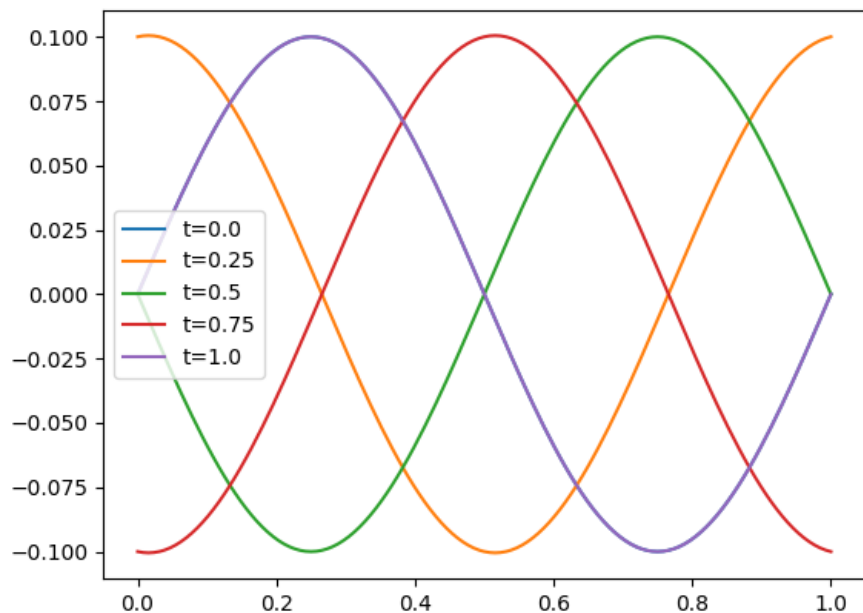


Figure 1:  $u(x)$  at  $t = 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1.0$  with  $n_x = 128$ ,  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{128}$ .

2. HW 8a, Problem 2

- (e) The result is shown in Figure 1.
- (f) The result is shown in Figure 2.
- (g) Since the stability condition for leapfrog method is

$$|c| \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1,$$

which is satisfied for the different configurations, so the algorithm is stable.

- (h) Now we pick  $n_x = 128$  and  $\Delta t = 1/100$ , and the plot is shown in Figure 3.

3. HW 8b, Problem 1

- (d) The plot is shown in Figure 4.
- (e) The graph is shown in Figure 5, where the fit is done by `scipy.optimize.curve_fit`.
- (f) The plot is in Figure 6.
- (g) The plot is in Figure 7.

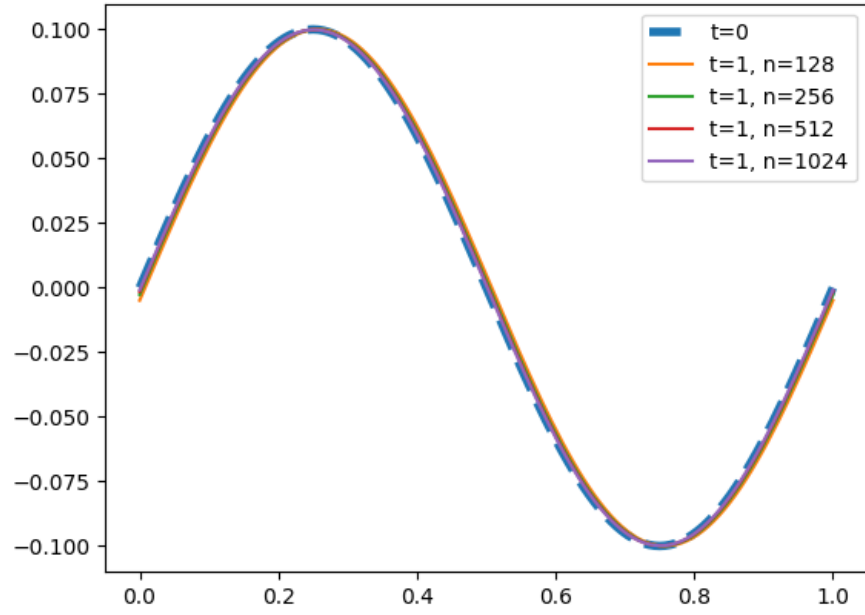


Figure 2:  $u(x)$  at  $t = 0$ , and at  $t = 1$  with  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{128}, \frac{1}{256}, \frac{1}{512}, \frac{1}{1024}$ , while  $n_x = 128$ .

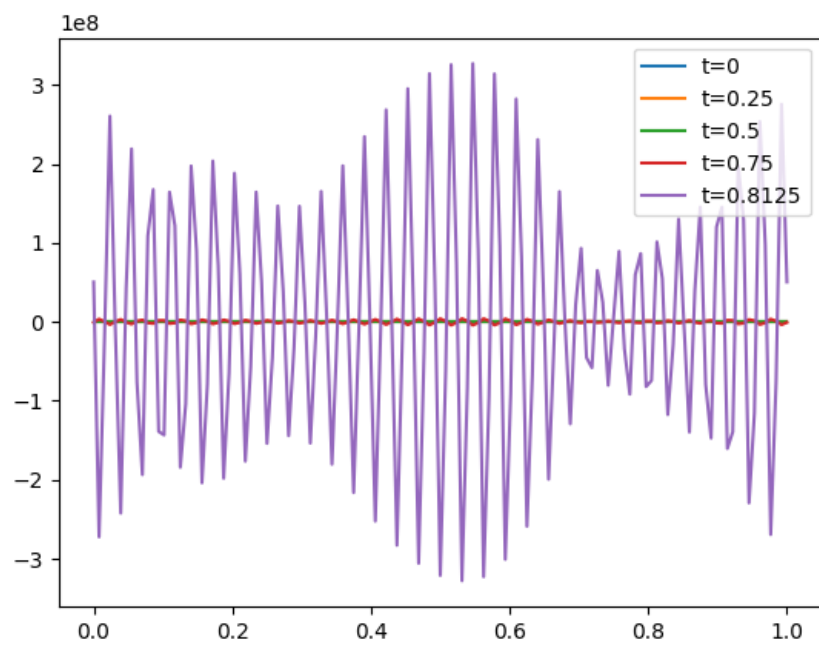


Figure 3:  $u(x)$  at  $t = 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 0.8125$  with  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{100}$  and  $n_x = 128$ .

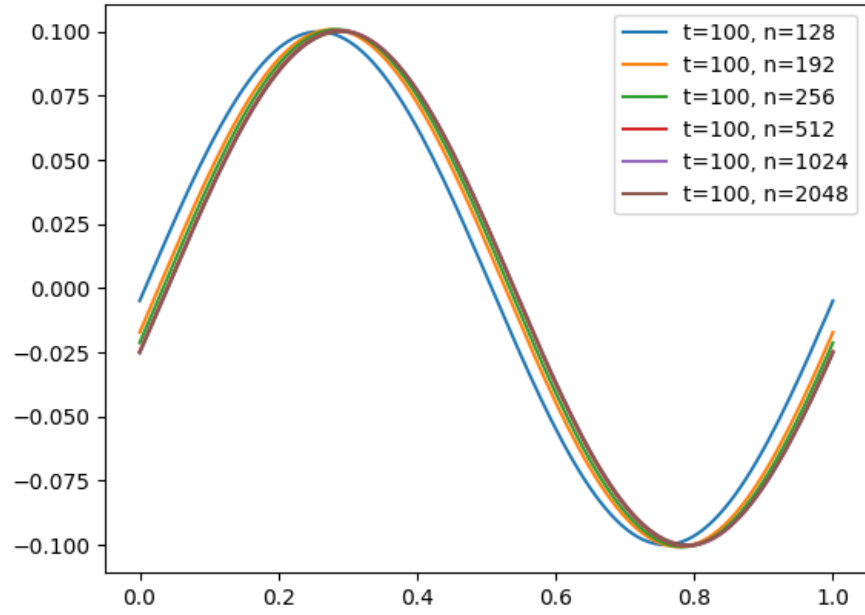


Figure 4:  $u(x)$  at  $t = 100$  with  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{128}, \frac{1}{192}, \frac{1}{256}, \frac{1}{512}, \frac{1}{1024}, \frac{1}{2048}$  and  $n_x = 128$ .

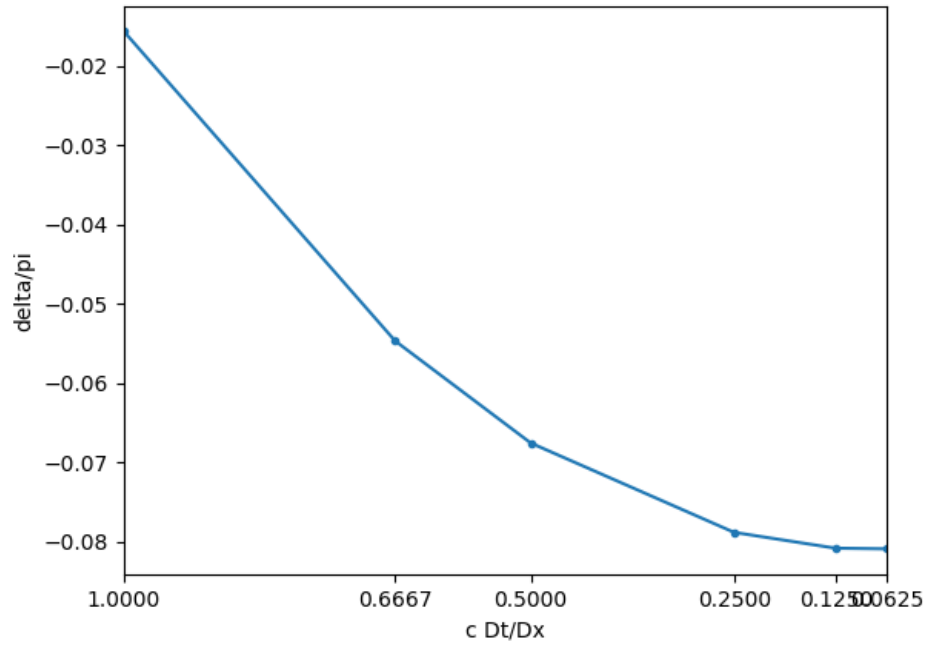


Figure 5:  $\delta/\pi$  vs.  $c\Delta t/\Delta x$  for  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{128}, \frac{1}{192}, \frac{1}{256}, \frac{1}{512}, \frac{1}{1024}, \frac{1}{2048}$  and  $n_x = 128$ .

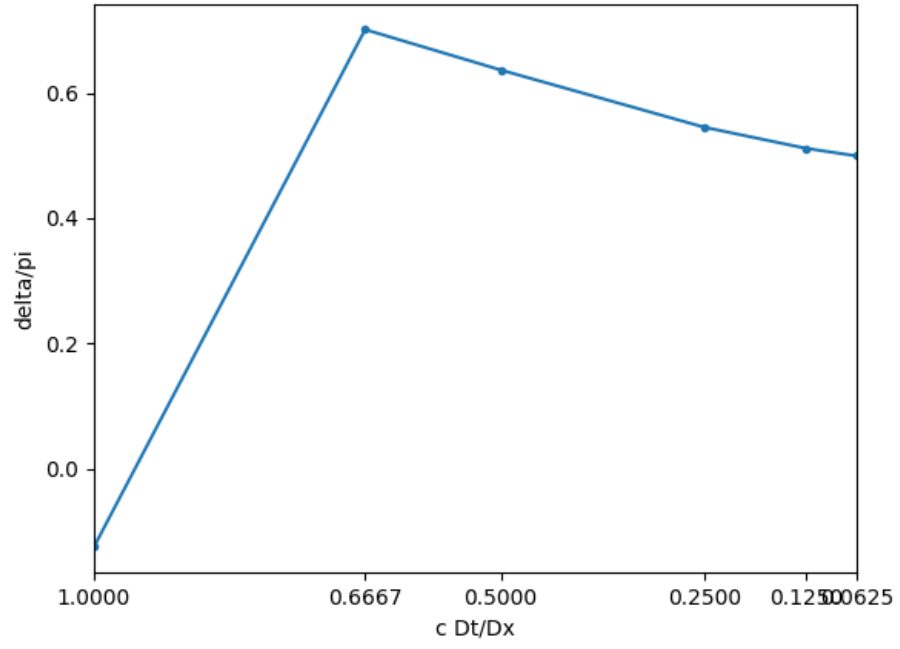


Figure 6:  $\delta/\pi$  vs.  $c\Delta t/\Delta x$  for  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{24}, \frac{1}{32}, \frac{1}{64}, \frac{1}{128}, \frac{1}{256}$  and  $n_x = 16$ .

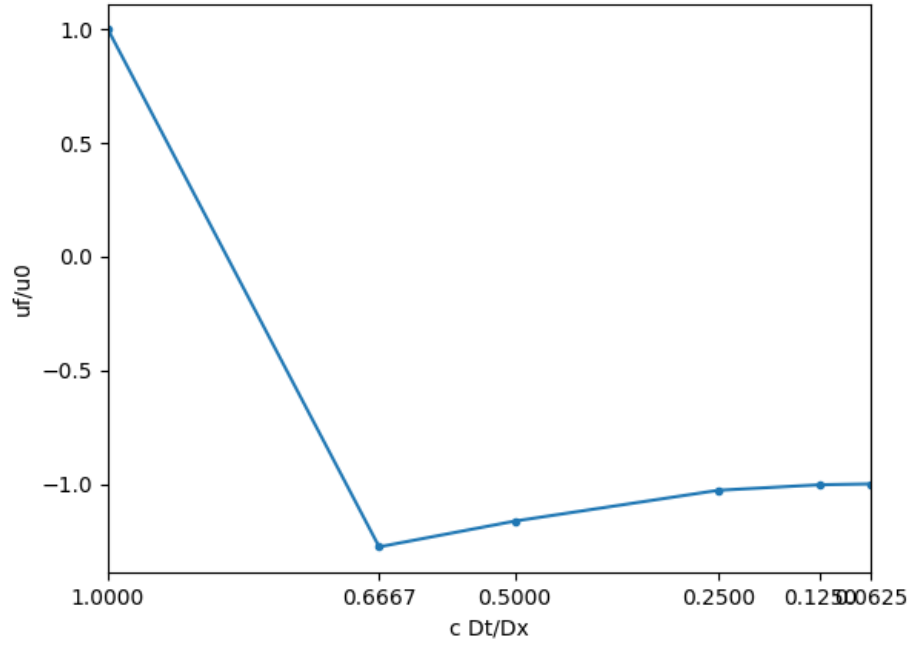


Figure 7:  $u_f/u_0$  vs.  $c\Delta t/\Delta x$  for  $\Delta t = \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{24}, \frac{1}{32}, \frac{1}{64}, \frac{1}{128}, \frac{1}{256}$  and  $n_x = 16$ .