

Homework 13

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Problem 1. Prove 4.2.16

Proof. The truncation error at point (t_n, x_i) is

$$\begin{aligned} R_i^n &= \frac{u(t_{n+1}, x_i) - u(t_{n-1}, x_i)}{2\tau} - a\Delta_h u(t_n, x_i) - f(t_n, x_i) \\ &= R_t + R_x, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} R_t &= \frac{u(t_{n+1}, x_i) - u(t_{n-1}, x_i)}{2\tau} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t_n, x_i) \\ &= \frac{\tau^2}{6} \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial t^3}(t_n, x_i) + O(\tau^4), \\ R_x &= -a\Delta_h u_i^n + a \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(t_n, x_i) \\ &= -\frac{ah^2}{12} \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4}(t_n, x_i) + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Adding the two terms we can get (4.2.16). □

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The schemes. The iteration of θ scheme is

$$(\mathbf{I} - a\tau\theta\Delta_h)\mathbf{u}^{n+1} = (\mathbf{I} + a\tau(1-\theta)\Delta_h)\mathbf{u}^n + \tau(\theta\mathbf{f}^{n+1} + \mathbf{f}^n),$$

where \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{f} are vectors of grid points.

The exact solution is

$$u(t, x) = \sin \pi x e^{-\pi^2 t}.$$

Result. The results are as follows:

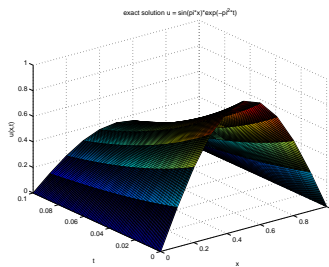


Figure 1: Exact sol.

When $t \rightarrow \infty$, the computational result should be the same as the exact solution.

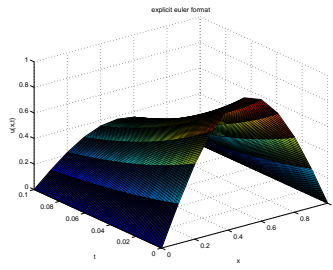


Figure 2: $\theta = 0$

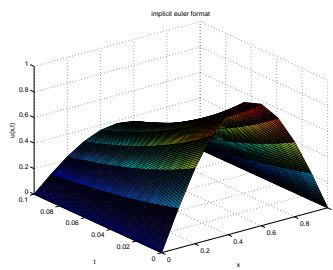


Figure 3: $\theta = 1$

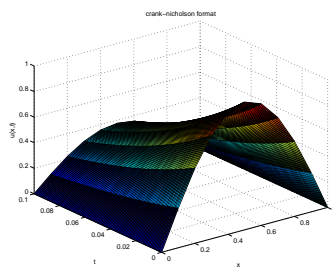


Figure 4: $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$

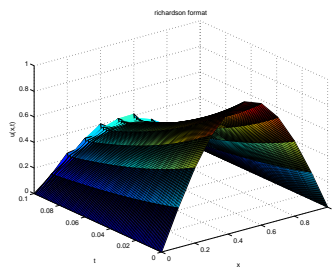


Figure 5: Richardson