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(* some simplification constants *)
 ln[1] := T = t_0 * t_1 * (t_0 + t_1)
 Out[1]= t_0 t_1 (t_0 + t_1)
 ln[64]:= X = \Delta x^{4} 2
Out[64]= \Delta x^2
 ln[69]:= \alpha = v * \Delta t / \Delta x
        v \mathrel{\triangle} t
Out[69]=
 ln[68] = \beta = b * \Delta t / 2
       b∆t
Out[68]= -
        (* coefficients for 1st-order *)
 In[2]:= a' = -t<sub>1</sub> ^ 2 / T
 Out[2]= - -
 ln[3]:= b' = (t_1^2 - t_0^2) / T
 Out[3]= -t_0^2 + t_1^2
       t_0 t_1 (t_0 + t_1)
 ln[4] = c' = t_0^2 T
 Out[4]= ---
        (* coefficients for 2nd-order *)
 In[39]:= a'' = 2 * t<sub>1</sub> / T
Out[39]= ____
       t_0 (t_0 + t_1)
 ln[40] = b'' = 2 * (-t_0 - t_1) / T
Out[40]= \frac{2(-t_0-t_1)}{}
       t_0 t_1 (t_0 + t_1)
 ln[41] = c'' = 2 * t_0 / T
Out[41]= ------2
        t_1 (t_0 + t_1)
        (* checking 1st-order derivative coefficients *)
 In[11]:= Simplify[a'+b'+c']
In[12]:= Simplify[c'*t1-a'*t0]
Out[12]= 1
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ln[45] = Simplify[a'*t_0^2/2+c'*t_1^2/2]
 Out[45]= 0
                                        (* checking 2nd-order derivative coefficients *)
     In[42]:= Simplify[a''+b''+c'']
 Out[42]= 0
     In[43]:= Simplify[c'' * t<sub>1</sub> - a'' * t<sub>0</sub>]
 Out[43]= 0
     In[46]:= Simplify[a''*t<sub>0</sub>^2/2+c''*t<sub>1</sub>^2/2]
 Out[46]= 1
                                        (* checking that our formulas simplify in the t_0=
                                             t_1=h case down to 1st and 2nd order central difference formulas *)
     \ln[51] = Simplify[(a'*f[t-t_0]+b'*f[t]+c'*f[t+t_1]) /. \{t_0 \rightarrow h, t_1 \rightarrow h\}]
 Out[51]= \frac{-f[-h+t]+f[h+t]}{2h}
     \ln[52] = \mathbf{Simplify} \left[ \left( \mathbf{a''} * \mathbf{f} \left[ \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}_0 \right] + \mathbf{b''} * \mathbf{f} \left[ \mathbf{t} \right] + \mathbf{c''} * \mathbf{f} \left[ \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{t}_1 \right] \right) / \cdot \left\{ \mathbf{t}_0 \to \mathbf{h}, \ \mathbf{t}_1 \to \mathbf{h} \right\} \right]
 Out[52]= \frac{-2 f[t] + f[-h+t] + f[h+t]}{\pi^{2}}
     ln[38]:= Series[g[h], {h, x, 2}]
Out[38]= g[x] + g'[x] (h-x) + \frac{1}{2}g''[x] (h-x)^2 + O[h-x]^3
                                        (* discretized wave equation *)
     \ln[70] = \text{waveEq} = a'' * y[i, t - t_0] + b'' * y[i, t] + c'' * y[i, t + t_1] = 
                                                   v^2 * (y[i-1, t] - 2 * y[i, t] + y[i+1, t]) / \Delta x^2 -
                                                           b*(a'*y[i, t-t_0]+b'*y[i, t]+c'*y[i, t+t_1])
 \text{Out} [70] = \  \, \frac{2 \, \left(-\,t_{\,0} \,-\,t_{\,1}\right) \, y \, [\,\text{i}\,\,,\,\,t\,\,]}{t_{\,0} \, t_{\,1} \, \left(t_{\,0} \,+\,t_{\,1}\right)} \, + \, \frac{2 \, y \, [\,\text{i}\,\,,\,\,t\,-\,t_{\,0}\,\,]}{t_{\,0} \, \left(t_{\,0} \,+\,t_{\,1}\right)} \, + \, \frac{2 \, y \, [\,\text{i}\,\,,\,\,t\,+\,t_{\,1}\,\,]}{t_{\,1} \, \left(t_{\,0} \,+\,t_{\,1}\right)} \, = \, \frac{1}{2} \, \left(-\,t_{\,0} \,+\,t_{\,1}\,\,\right) \, \left(-\,t_{\,0} \,+\,t
                                           -b\left(\frac{\left(-t_0^2+t_1^2\right)\,y[\text{i,t}]}{t_0\,t_1\,\left(t_0+t_1\right)}-\frac{t_1\,y[\text{i,t-t_0}]}{t_0\,\left(t_0+t_1\right)}+\frac{t_0\,y[\text{i,t+t_1}]}{t_1\,\left(t_0+t_1\right)}\right)+
                                                      v^{2}(y[-1+i,t]-2y[i,t]+y[1+i,t])
      In[65]:= handSoln =
                                                (T/(2*t_0+b*t_0^2))*(((2*t_0+2*t_1-b*(t_1^2-t_0^2))/T-2*v^2/X)*y[i,t]+
                                        \frac{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right) \; \left(\left(-\frac{2 \, v^2}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{2 \, t_0 + 2 \, t_1 - b \, \left(-t_0^2 + t_1^2\right)}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big] \; + \; \frac{\left(-2 \, t_1 + b \, t_1^2\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , t - t_0\big]}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)} \; + \; \frac{v^2 \; \left(y \left[-1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right] + y \left[1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right]\right)}{\Delta x^2}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big] \; + \; \frac{\left(-2 \, t_1 + b \, t_1^2\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t - t_0\big]}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)} \; + \; \frac{v^2 \; \left(y \left[-1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right] + y \left[1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right]\right)}{\Delta x^2}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big] \; + \; \frac{\left(-2 \, t_1 + b \, t_1^2\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t - t_0\big]}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)} \; + \; \frac{v^2 \; \left(y \left[-1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right] + y \left[1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right]\right)}{\Delta x^2}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big] \; + \; \frac{\left(-2 \, t_1 + b \, t_1^2\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t - t_0\big]}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)} \; + \; \frac{v^2 \; \left(y \left[-1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right] + y \left[1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right]\right)}{\Delta x^2}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big] \; + \; \frac{\left(-2 \, t_1 + b \, t_1^2\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \, , \; t\, \big]}{t_0 \; t_1 \; \left(t_0 + t_1\right)} \; + \; \frac{v^2 \; \left(y \left[-1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right] + y \left[1 + \textbf{i} \, , t\right]\right)}{\Delta x^2}\right) \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y \big[\, \textbf{i} \; , \; t\, \big] \; y 
  Out[65]=
                                        (* verify by-hand results *)
     In[67]:= FullSimplify[Solve[waveEq, y[i, t + t1]][[1, 1, 2]] == handSoln]
 Out[67]= True
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 $t_1=\Delta t$ case to verify that our result is identical to Mike Dubson's previously derived fixed-timestamp formula \star)

In[80]:= dubsonEq =

$$(1/(\beta+1))*((\beta-1)*y[i,t-\Delta t]+2*(1-\alpha^2)*y[i,t]+\alpha^2*(y[i+1,t]+y[i-1,t]))$$

$$\text{Out[80]=} \quad \frac{2 \, \left(1 - \frac{v^2 \, \triangle t^2}{\triangle x^2}\right) \, y \big[\, \text{i, t} \, \big] \, + \, \left(-\, 1 \, + \, \frac{b \, \triangle t}{2}\right) \, y \big[\, \text{i, t} \, - \, \triangle t\, \big] \, + \, \frac{v^2 \, \triangle t^2 \, \left(y \big[-1 + \text{i,t}\big] + y \big[1 + \text{i,t}\big]\right)}{\triangle x^2}}{1 \, + \, \frac{b \, \triangle t}{2}}$$

 $\label{eq:local_local} $ \ln[81] = \mbox{ fixedTimeHandSoln = handSoln /. } \{ t_0 \rightarrow \Delta t, \ t_1 \rightarrow \Delta t \} $$

$$\text{Out[81]=} \quad \frac{2 \, \Delta t^3 \, \left(\left(\frac{2}{\Delta t^2} - \frac{2 \, v^2}{\Delta x^2} \right) \, y \, [\, \dot{\textbf{i}} \, , \, \, t\,] \, + \, \frac{\left(-2 \, \Delta t + b \, \Delta t^2 \right) \, y \, [\, \dot{\textbf{i}} \, , \, t - \Delta t\,]}{2 \, \Delta t^3} \, + \, \frac{v^2 \, \left(y \, [\, -1 + \dot{\textbf{i}} \, , \, t\,] \, + y \, [\, 1 + \dot{\textbf{i}} \, , \, t\,] \, \right)}{\Delta x^2} \right) }{2 \, \Delta t \, + \, b \, \Delta t^2}$$

In[82]:= FullSimplify[fixedTimeHandSoln == dubsonEq]

Out[82]= True

(* check for simpler formulas for our hand-derived formula (result: not really) *)

In[88]:= Collect[FullSimplify[handSoln],

$$\{y[i, t], y[i, t-t_0], y[i, t+t_1], y[i+1, t], y[i-1, t]\}\}$$
 // DisplayForm

Out[88]//DisplayForm=

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\left(v^2\;t_0^2\;t_1+v^2\;t_0\;t_1^2\right)\;y[-1+i,\;t]}{\Delta x^2\;t_0\;\left(2+b\;t_0\right)}\;+\\ &\frac{\left(2\;\Delta x^2\;t_0+b\;\Delta x^2\;t_0^2-2\;v^2\;t_0^2\;t_1-2\;v^2\;t_0\;t_1^2-\Delta x^2\;t_1\;\left(-2+b\;t_1\right)\right)\;y[i,\;t]}{\Delta x^2\;t_0\;\left(2+b\;t_0\right)}\;+\\ &\frac{t_1\;\left(-2+b\;t_1\right)\;y[i,\;t-t_0]}{t_0\;\left(2+b\;t_0\right)}\;+\;\frac{\left(v^2\;t_0^2\;t_1+v^2\;t_0\;t_1^2\right)\;y[1+i,\;t]}{\Delta x^2\;t_0\;\left(2+b\;t_0\right)} \end{split}$$