

Scientific Computing HW 11

Ryan Chen

April 26, 2023

Problem 1.

(a) The form of solution is

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}[\varphi(x + at) + \varphi(x - at)] + \frac{1}{2a} \int_{x-at}^{x+at} \psi(s) ds$$

First find u_{tt} .

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= \frac{1}{2}[\varphi'(x + at) \cdot a + \varphi'(x - at) \cdot (-a)] + \frac{1}{2a}[\psi(x + at) \cdot a - \psi(x - at) \cdot (-a)] \\ &= \frac{a}{2}[\varphi'(x + at) - \varphi'(x - at)] + \frac{1}{2}[\psi(x + at) + \psi(x - at)] \\ u_{tt} &= \frac{a^2}{2}[\varphi''(x + at) + \varphi''(x - at)] + \frac{a}{2}[\psi'(x + at) - \psi'(x - at)] \end{aligned}$$

Then find $a^2 u_{xx}$ and see that it equals u_{tt} , hence u solves the PDE.

$$\begin{aligned} u_x &= \frac{1}{2}[\varphi'(x + at) + \varphi'(x - at)] + \frac{1}{2a}[\psi(x + at) - \psi(x - at)] \\ u_{xx} &= \frac{1}{2}[\varphi''(x + at) + \varphi''(x - at)] + \frac{1}{2a}[\psi'(x + at) - \psi'(x - at)] \\ a^2 u_{xx} &= \frac{a^2}{2}[\varphi''(x + at) + \varphi''(x - at)] + \frac{a}{2}[\psi'(x + at) - \psi'(x - at)] = u_{tt} \end{aligned}$$

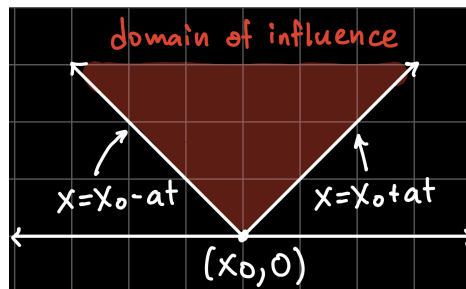
(b) Consider the form of solution

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}[\varphi(x + at) + \varphi(x - at)] + \frac{1}{2a} \int_{x-at}^{x+at} \psi(s) ds$$

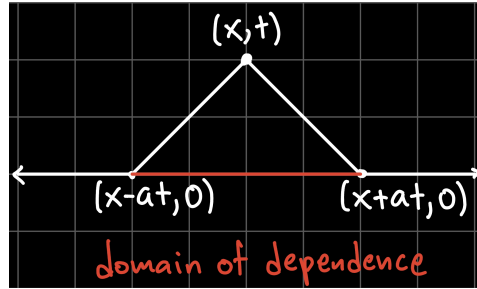
To find the domain of influence of a point x_0 , note that $u(x, t)$ depends on the initial conditions at x_0 iff the integral in the second term depends on $\psi(x_0)$, which holds iff $x - at \leq x \leq x + at$. Then we have

$$x - at \leq x \leq x + at \iff -at \leq x_0 - x \leq at \iff at \geq x - x_0 \geq -at \iff x_0 + at \geq x \geq x_0 - at$$

Thus the domain of influence of x_0 is the region bounded by the lines $x = x_0 - at$ and $x = x_0 + at$.



Now to find the domain of dependence of a point (x, t) , note that $u(x, t)$ depends precisely on the values of φ at $x \pm at$ and the values of ψ on $[x - at, x + at]$. Thus the domain of dependence of (x, t) is the line segment $\{(s, 0) : x - at \leq s \leq x + at\}$.



(c) We see that

$$w := \begin{bmatrix} u_t \\ u_x \end{bmatrix} \implies w_x = \begin{bmatrix} u_{tx} \\ u_{xx} \end{bmatrix}$$

so that

$$w_t = \begin{bmatrix} u_{tt} \\ u_{xt} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0u_{tx} + a^2u_{xx} \\ 1u_{tx} + 0u_{xx} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a^2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{=:A} \begin{bmatrix} u_{tx} \\ u_{xx} \end{bmatrix} = Aw_x$$

Then

$$u_x \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{1}{2}[\varphi'(x) + \varphi'(x)] + \frac{1}{2a}[\psi(x) - \psi(x)] = \varphi'(x)$$

so that the initial condition for w is

$$w \Big|_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} u_t \\ u_x \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{t=0} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi(x) \\ \varphi'(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) The eigenvalues of A are

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & a^2 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - a^2 = (\lambda - a)(\lambda + a) \implies \lambda_1 = a, \lambda_2 = -a$$

Eigenvectors v_1, v_2 of A are

$$A - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} -a & a^2 \\ 1 & -a \end{bmatrix} \implies v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} a & a^2 \\ 1 & a \end{bmatrix} \implies v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagonalizing A ,

$$A = C\Lambda C^{-1}, \quad C := [v_1, v_2] = \begin{bmatrix} a & -a \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda := \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \text{diag}(a, -a)$$

Changing variable, we obtain independent PDEs.

$$y := C^{-1}w = \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} \implies w = Cy \implies w_t = Cy_t, \quad w_x = Cy_x$$

$$\implies 0 = w_t - Aw_x = Cy_t - C\Lambda C^{-1}Cy_x = C(y_t - \Lambda y_x) \implies y_t - \Lambda y_x = 0 \implies y_t = \Lambda y_x$$

$$\implies \xi_t = a\xi_x, \eta_t = -a\eta_x$$

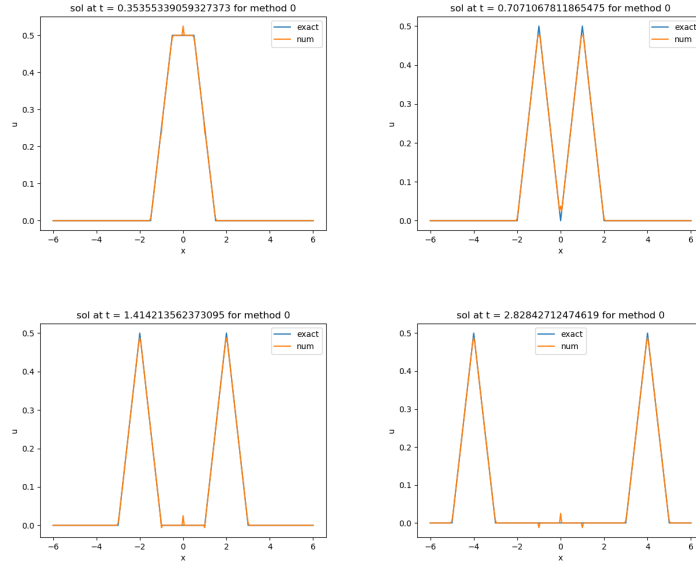
First find C^{-1} .

$$\det C = \begin{vmatrix} a & -a \\ 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 2a \implies C^{-1} = \frac{1}{2a} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a \\ -1 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

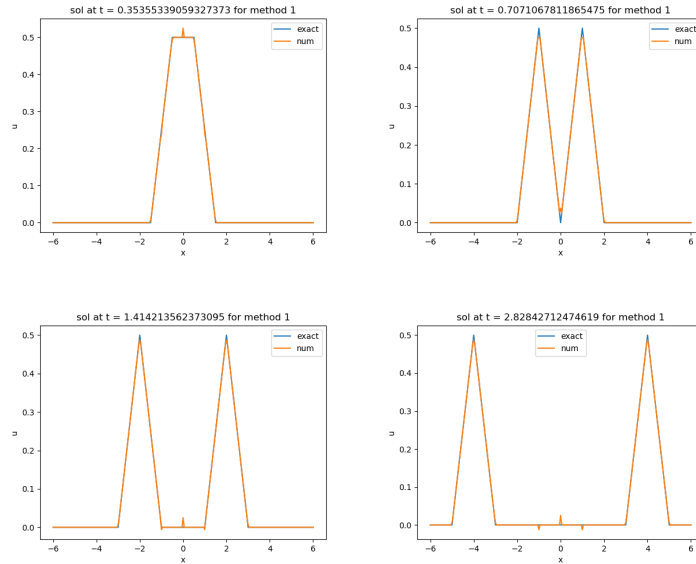
Then we find the initial condition for y , i.e. the initial conditions for ξ, η .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi(x) \\ \varphi'(x) \end{bmatrix} = w \Big|_{t=0} = Cy \Big|_{t=0} \implies y \Big|_{t=0} = C^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \psi(x) \\ \varphi'(x) \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2a} \begin{bmatrix} \psi(x) + a\varphi'(x) \\ -\psi(x) + a\varphi'(x) \end{bmatrix}$$

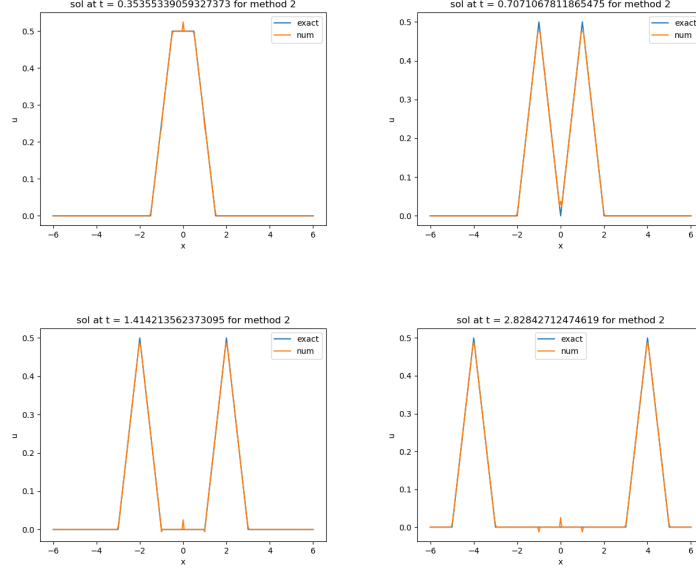
- (e) Code: <https://github.com/RokettoJanpu/Scientific-Computing-2/blob/main/hw11.ipynb>
Lax–Friedrichs:



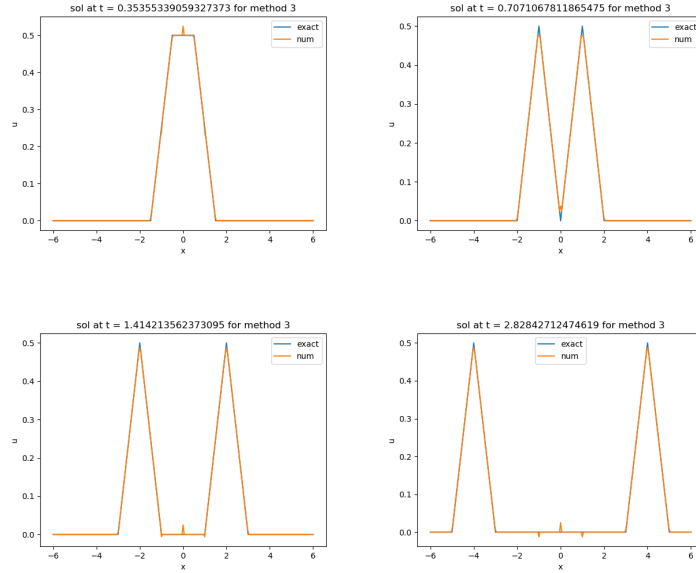
Upwind:



Lax–Wendroff:



Beam–Warming:



Each scheme is highly accurate in that it computes a solution that essentially coincides with the exact solution, except at finitely many cusps. Stationary cusps arise at points corresponding to cusps of the initial displacement $\varphi(x) = \max(1 - |x|, 0)$, i.e. at $x = 0, 1, -1$. Cusps that travel along with the solution arise from the form

$$u(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}[\varphi(x + at) + \varphi(x - at)]$$

meaning these cusps occur at $x \pm at = 0, 1, -1$, i.e. at $x = \mp at, 1 \mp at, -1 \mp at$.

Problem 2.

(a) The LaxFR scheme is

$$u_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}[u_{j+1}^n + u_{j-1}^n] - \frac{1}{2}\nu[u_{j+1}^n - u_{j-1}^n]$$

Let v satisfy $v(x_j, t_n) = u_j^n$.

$$v(x, t+k) = \frac{1}{2}[v(x+h, t) + v(x-h, t)] - \frac{1}{2}\nu[v(x+h, t) - v(x-h, t)]$$

Taylor expand at (x, t) .

$$\begin{aligned} v(x, t+k) &= v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + O(k^3) \\ v(x+h, t) &= v + hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \\ v(x-h, t) &= v - hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} - \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Plug in the expansions.

$$\begin{aligned} v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + O(k^3) &= \frac{1}{2}[2v + h^2v_{xx} + O(h^4)] - \frac{1}{2}\nu \left[2hv_x + \frac{2}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^5) \right] \\ &= v + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} - \nu hv_x + \frac{1}{6}\nu h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Cancel v then divide by k .

$$v_t + \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} + O(k^2) = \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xx} - \nu v_x + \frac{1}{6}\nu\frac{h^3}{k}v_{xxx} + O(h^3)$$

Truncate the $O(h^2)$ and smaller terms.

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xx} - \nu v_x + O(h^2) \\ v_t + \nu v_x &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xx} - \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} + O(h^2) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

To express v_{tt} in terms of v_{xx} , take ∂_t and ∂_x separately.

$$v_{tt} + \nu v_{xt} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xxt} - \frac{1}{2}kv_{ttt} + O(h) = O(h) \tag{2}$$

$$v_{tx} + \nu v_{xx} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{2}kv_{ttx} + O(h) = O(h) \tag{3}$$

Take (2) - ν (3).

$$v_{tt} - \nu^2 v_{xx} = O(h) \implies v_{tt} = \nu^2 v_{xx} + O(h)$$

Plug into (1).

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + \nu v_x &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}v_{xx} - \frac{1}{2}k[\nu^2 v_{xx} + O(h)] + O(h^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k} \left[v_{xx} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{h^2}\nu^2 v_{xx} \right] + O(h^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{h^2}{k}[1 - \nu^2]v_{xx} + O(h^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{ah}{\nu}[1 - \nu^2]v_{xx} + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus the modified equation for LaxFR (first order) is

$$v_t + av_x = \frac{1}{2} \frac{ah}{\nu} [1 - \nu^2] v_{xx}$$

The LF scheme is

$$\frac{1}{2k} [u_j^{n+1} - u_j^{n-1}] = -\frac{a}{2h} [u_{j+1}^n - u_{j-1}^n]$$

Let v satisfy $v(x_j, t_n) = u_j^n$.

$$\frac{1}{2k} [v(x, t+k) - v(x, t-k)] = -\frac{a}{2h} [v(x+h, t) - v(x-h, t)]$$

Taylor expand at (x, t) .

$$\begin{aligned} v(x, t+k) &= v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + O(k^4) \\ v(x, t-k) &= v - kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} - \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + O(k^4) \\ v(x+h, t) &= v + hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \\ v(x-h, t) &= v - hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} - \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Plug in the expansions.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2k} \left[2kv_t + \frac{2}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + O(k^5) \right] &= -\frac{a}{2h} \left[2hv_x + \frac{2}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^5) \right] \\ v_t + \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(k^4) &= -av_x - \frac{1}{6}ah^2v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \\ v_t + av_x &= -\frac{1}{6}ah^2v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^4) \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Now express v_{ttt} in terms of v_{xxx} . From (4),

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + av_x &= O(h^2) \\ \partial_t + a\partial_x &= O(h^2) \\ \partial_t &= -a\partial_x + O(h^2) \\ \partial_t^3 &= -a^3\partial_x^3 + 3a^2\partial_x^2O(h^2) - 3a\partial_xO(h^4) + O(h^6) \\ &= -a^3\partial_x^3 + O(h^2) \\ v_{ttt} &= -a^3v_{xxx} + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Plug into (4).

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + av_x &= -\frac{1}{6}ah^2v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2[-a^3v_{xxx} + O(h^2)] + O(h^4) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}ah^2 \left[-v_{xxx} + \frac{a^2k^2}{h^2}v_{xxx} \right] + O(h^4) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}ah^2[\nu^2 - 1]v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Thus the modified equation for LF (second order) is

$$v_t + av_x = \frac{1}{6}ah^2[\nu^2 - 1]v_{xxx}$$

The BWL scheme is

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - \frac{1}{2}\nu[3u_j^n - 4u_{j-1}^n + u_{j-2}^n] + \frac{1}{2}\nu^2[u_j^n - 2u_{j-1}^n + u_{j-2}^n]$$

Let v satisfy $v(x_j, t_n) = u_j^n$.

$$v(x, t+k) = v(x, t) - \frac{1}{2}\nu[3v(x, t) - 4v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t)] + \frac{1}{2}\nu^2[v(x, t) - 2v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t)]$$

Taylor expand at (x, t) .

$$\begin{aligned} v(x, t+k) &= v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + O(k^4) \\ v(x-h, t) &= v - hv_x + \frac{1}{2}h^2v_{xx} - \frac{1}{6}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \\ v(x-2h, t) &= v - 2hv_x + 2h^2v_{xx} - \frac{4}{3}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Plug in the expansions. In computing $3v(x, t) - 4v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t)$, the coefficient of each term is:

$$\begin{aligned} v : & \quad 3 - 4 + 1 = 0 \\ hv_x : & \quad 4 - 2 = 2 \\ h^2v_{xx} : & \quad -2 + 2 = 0 \\ h^3v_{xxx} : & \quad \frac{2}{3} - \frac{4}{3} = -\frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

so in total

$$3v(x, t) - 4v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t) = 2hv_x - \frac{2}{3}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4)$$

In computing $v(x, t) - 2v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t)$, the coefficient of each term is:

$$\begin{aligned} v : & \quad 1 - 2 + 1 = 0 \\ hv_x : & \quad 2 - 2 = 0 \\ h^2v_{xx} : & \quad -1 + 2 = 1 \\ h^3v_{xxx} : & \quad \frac{1}{3} - \frac{4}{3} = -1 \end{aligned}$$

so in total

$$v(x, t) - 2v(x-h, t) + v(x-2h, t) = h^2v_{xx} - h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} v + kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} + O(k^4) &= v - \frac{1}{2}\nu \left[2hv_x - \frac{2}{3}h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \right] + \frac{1}{2}\nu^2[h^2v_{xx} - h^3v_{xxx} + O(h^4)] \\ kv_t + \frac{1}{2}k^2v_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^3v_{ttt} &= -\nu hv_x + \frac{1}{2}\nu^2h^2v_{xx} + \frac{\nu h^3}{k} \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\nu \right] v_{xxx} + O(h^4) \\ v_t + \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} + \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} &= -av_x + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\nu^2h^2}{k}v_{xx} + \frac{\nu h^3}{k} \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\nu \right] v_{xxx} + O(h^3) \\ v_t + av_x &= \frac{1}{2}a^2kv_{xx} + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2-3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{2}kv_{tt} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}k[a^2v_{xx} - v_{tt}] + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2-3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^3) \end{aligned}$$

Set $z := a^2 v_{xx} - v_{tt}$, so that

$$v_t + av_x = \frac{1}{2}kz + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^3)$$

We aim to show $z = O(k^2)$. Take ∂_t and ∂_x of the above separately.

$$v_{tt} + av_{xt} = \frac{1}{2}kz_t + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^2) \quad (5)$$

$$v_{tx} + av_{xx} = \frac{1}{2}kz_x + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{tttx} + O(h^2) \quad (6)$$

Take (5) $- a(6)$.

$$-z = \frac{1}{2}k[z_t - az_x] + \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu][v_{xxt} - av_{xxx}] - \frac{1}{6}k^2[v_{ttt} - av_{tttx}] + O(h^2)$$

If z is $O(k)$ but not $O(k^2)$ then $z_t - az_x$ is $O(k)$ or smaller, so that the above gives $O(k) = O(k^2)$, a contradiction. Thus $z = O(k^2)$, and hence

$$v_t + av_x = \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2v_{ttt} + O(h^3)$$

To express v_{ttt} in terms of v_{xxx} , use the above to write

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + av_x &= O(h^2) \\ \partial_t + a\partial_x &= O(h^2) \\ \partial_t &= -a\partial_x + O(h^2) \\ \partial_t^3 &= -a^3\partial_x^3 + 3a^2\partial_x^2O(h^2) - 3a\partial_xO(h^4) + O(h^6) \\ &= -a^3\partial_x^3 + O(h^2) \\ v_{ttt} &= -a^3v_{xxx} + O(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting for v_{ttt} ,

$$\begin{aligned} v_t + av_x &= \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu]v_{xxx} - \frac{1}{6}k^2[-a^3v_{xxx} + O(h^2)] + O(h^3) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}ah^2 \left[(2 - 3\nu)v_{xxx} + \frac{a^2k^2}{h^2}v_{xxx} \right] + O(h^3) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu + \nu^2]v_{xxx} + O(h^3) \end{aligned}$$

Thus the modified equation for BWL (second order) is

$$\boxed{v_t + av_x = \frac{1}{6}ah^2[2 - 3\nu + \nu^2]v_{xxx}}$$

- (b) In the modified equations of UL and LaxFR, we compare the terms $f(\nu) = 1 - \nu$ and $g(\nu) = \frac{1-\nu^2}{\nu}$ to determine which scheme is more accurate. The equations are well-posed for $0 \leq \nu \leq 1$. For $0 < \nu < 1$ we have $f(\nu) < g(\nu)$, so UL is more accurate than LaxFR.

In the modified equations of LW, LF, and BWL, we compare the terms $p(\nu) = \nu^2 - 1$ and $q(\nu) = 2 - 3\nu + \nu^2$ to determine which scheme is more accurate. The equations for LW and LF are well-posed for $\nu \geq 1$, and the equation for BWL is well-posed for $\nu = 1$ or $\nu > 2$. For $\nu > 2$ we have $q(\nu) < p(\nu)$, so BWL is more accurate than LW and LF.

Given a and h , pick $k = \frac{h}{a}$ so that $\nu = 1$, hence $f(\nu) = g(\nu) = p(\nu) = q(\nu) = 0$. This gives the smallest numerical error in all five schemes.

(c) For UL,

$$u_t + au_x = \frac{1}{2}ah(1-\nu)u_{xx}$$

Take the FT in x , using the fact $\widehat{\partial_x^n u}(z) = (iz)^n \hat{u}(z)$, and solve.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} &= \frac{1}{2}ah(1-\nu)(iz)^2\hat{u} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}ah(1-\nu)z^2\hat{u} \\ \hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} + \frac{1}{2}ah(1-\nu)z^2\hat{u} &= 0 \\ \hat{u}(z, t) &= \hat{u}_0(z) \exp(-iazt) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}ah(1-\nu)z^2t\right)\end{aligned}$$

For LaxFr,

$$u_t + au_x = \frac{1}{2}\frac{ah}{\nu}(1-\nu^2)u_{xx}$$

Take the FT in x and solve.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} &= -\frac{1}{2}\frac{ah}{\nu}(1-\nu^2)z^2\hat{u} \\ \hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{ah}{\nu}(1-\nu^2)z^2\hat{u} &= 0 \\ \hat{u}(z, t) &= \hat{u}_0(z) \exp(-iazt) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{ah}{\nu}(1-\nu^2)z^2t\right)\end{aligned}$$

For LW and LF,

$$u_t + au_x = \frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)u_{xxx}$$

Take the FT in x and solve.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} &= -i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^3\hat{u} \\ \hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} + i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^3\hat{u} &= 0 \\ \hat{u}(z, t) &= \hat{u}_0(z) \exp(-iazt) \exp\left(-i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^3t\right)\end{aligned}$$

The dispersion relation is

$$\omega(z) = az + \frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^3$$

The phase velocity is

$$c_p(z) = \frac{\omega(z)}{z} = a + \frac{1}{6}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^2$$

The group velocity is

$$c_g(z) = \omega'(z) = a + \frac{1}{2}ah^2(\nu^2 - 1)z^2$$

For BWL,

$$u_t + au_x = \frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)v_{xxx}$$

Take the FT in x and solve.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} &= -i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^3\hat{u} \\ \hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} + i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^3\hat{u} \\ \hat{u}(z, t) &= \hat{u}_0(z) \exp(-iazt) \exp\left(-i\frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^3t\right)\end{aligned}$$

The dispersion relation is

$$\omega(z) = az + \frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^3$$

The phase velocity is

$$c_p(z) = \frac{\omega(z)}{z} = a + \frac{1}{6}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^2$$

The group velocity is

$$c_g(z) = \omega'(z) = a + \frac{1}{2}ah^2(2 - 3\nu + \nu^2)z^2$$

The original advection equation is

$$u_t + au_x = 0$$

Taking the FT in x gives

$$\hat{u}_t + iaz\hat{u} = 0$$

The dispersion relation is

$$\omega(z) = az$$

Hence the phase and group velocities are

$$c_p = c_g = a$$