

SIMULATION METHODS

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ODE - ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Phenomena which can be described by a **single variable** (= function of time), e.g. rigid body motion (apple drop), electronic circuits, control systems (= signal flow), ...

Solutions are **functions of time, position or frequency**

Examples:

- Rigid body motion - like the apple (functions of time or position)
- Variation of glucose level in human body due to sugar infusion (functions of time)
- Control system output as a function of time triggered by inputs as functions of time
- Behavior (voltages / currents) of electronic circuits as function of time or frequency
- Temperature at a room sensor due to sun illumination at windows as function of time
- ...

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Unable to describe:

Problems depending on more than one variable, e.g. (x, y, z, t) , e.g.:

- Distribution of temperature in room as function of (x, y, z, t)
- Behavior of water waves, e.g. depending on (x, y, t)
- Airflow in a room as function of (x, y, z, t)
- Distortion of an airplane wing
- Vibration of a guitar string

⇒ **Partial differential equations**

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PDE - PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

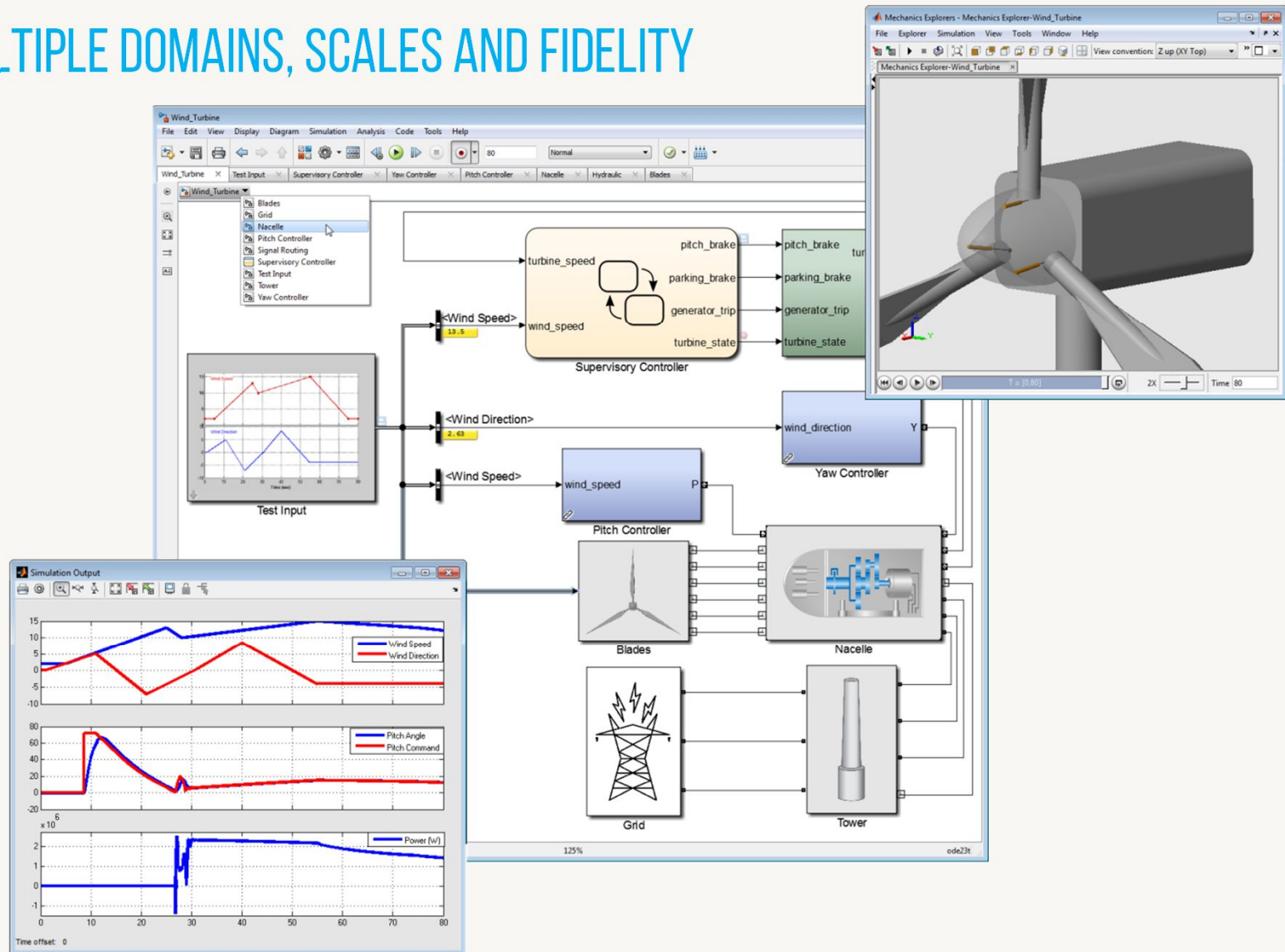
Phenomena which are described by **multiple variables** (= functions of time), e.g. structural stress, temperature, flows, electromagnetics, ...

Solutions are **spatially distributed DOFs**, each of which being a **function of time or frequency**



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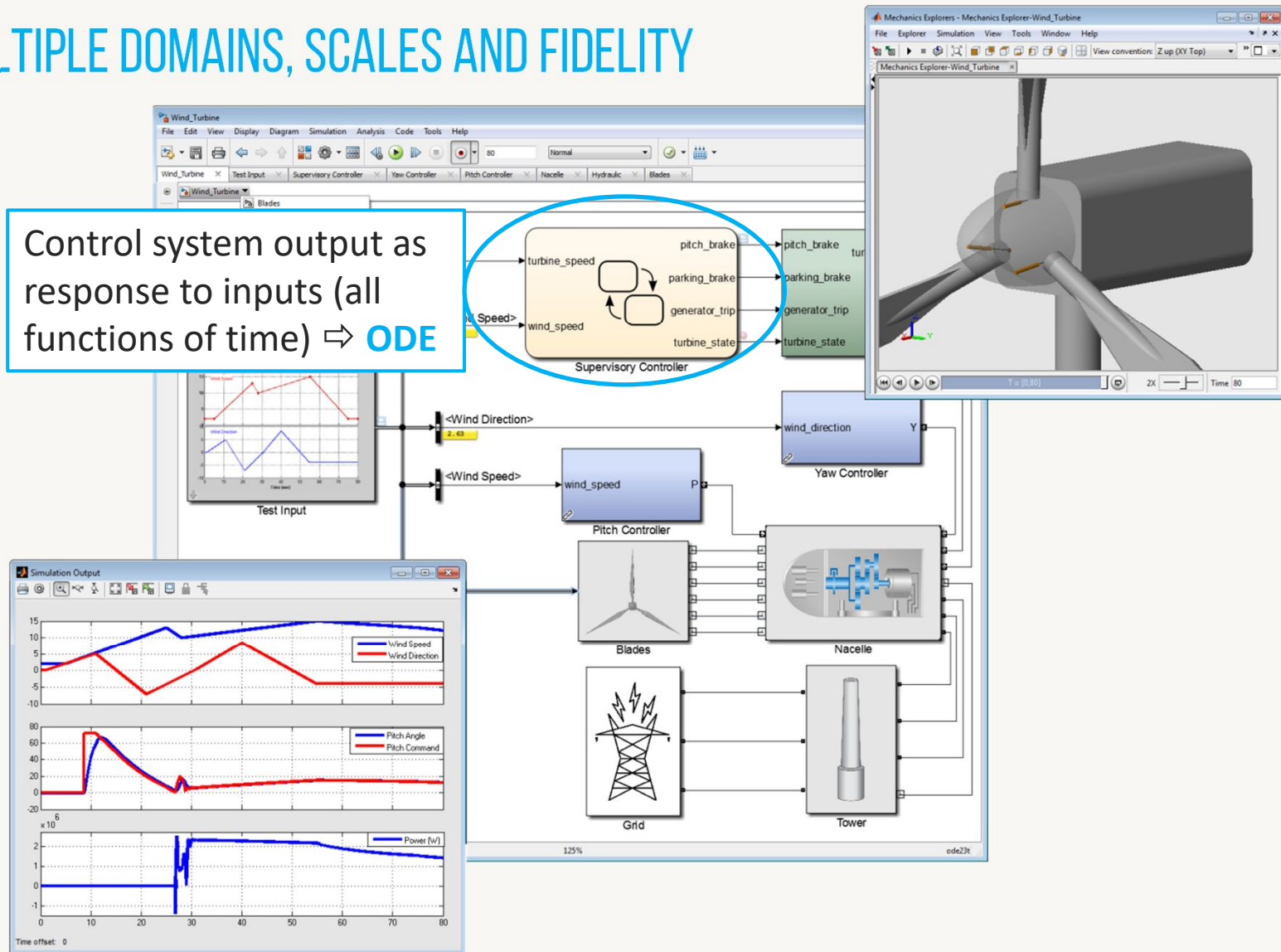
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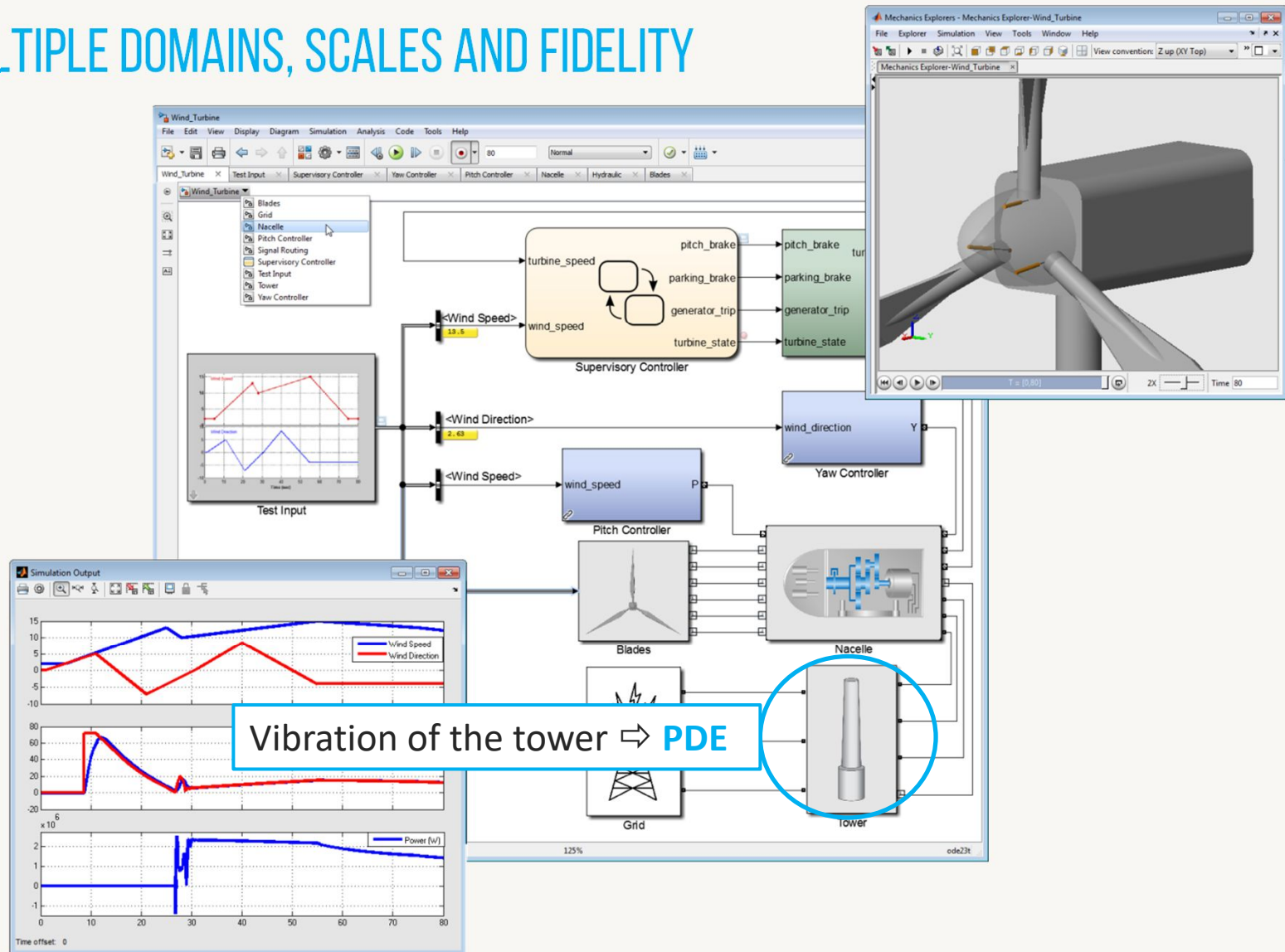
Control system output as response to inputs (all functions of time) \Rightarrow ODE





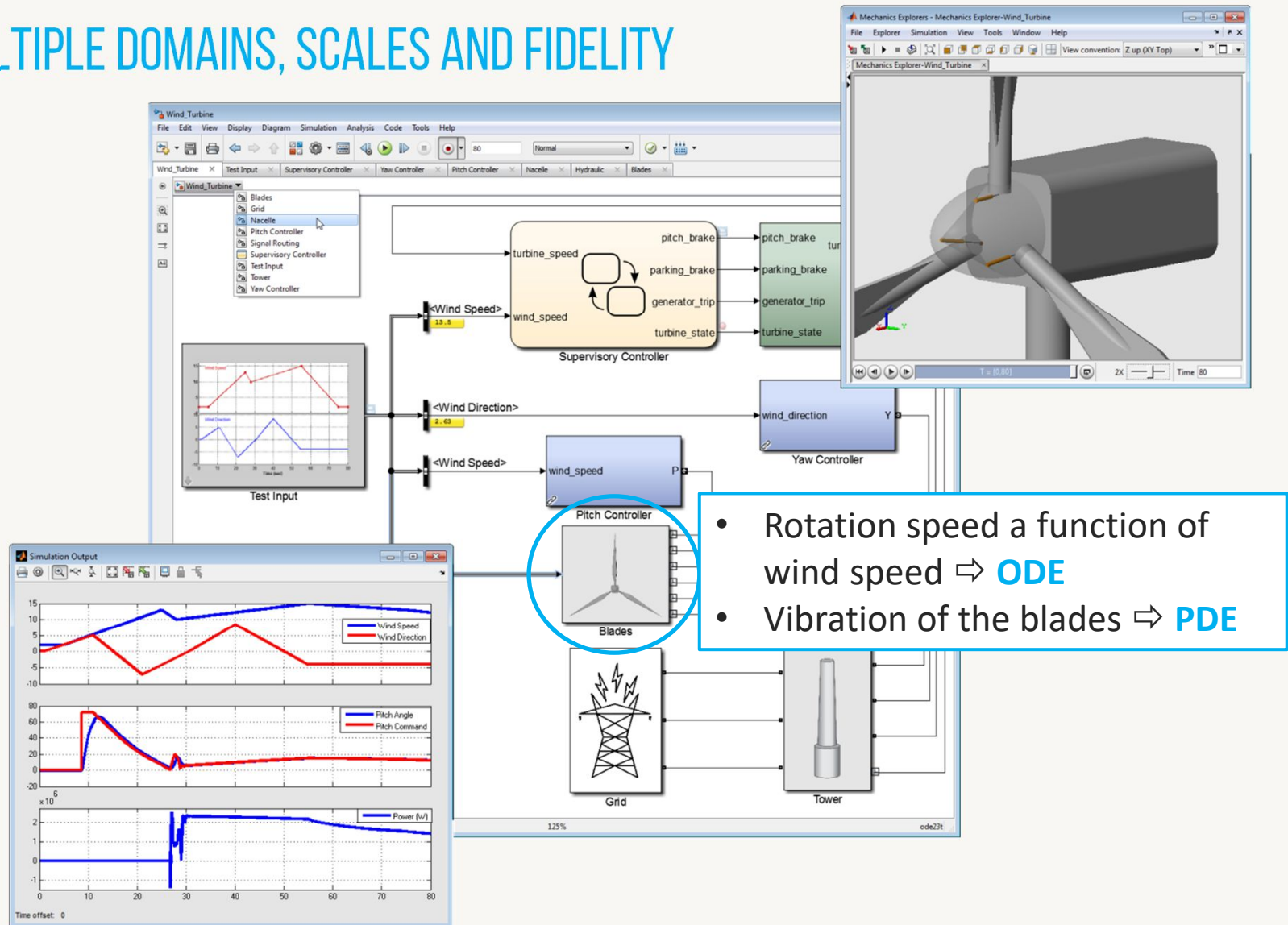
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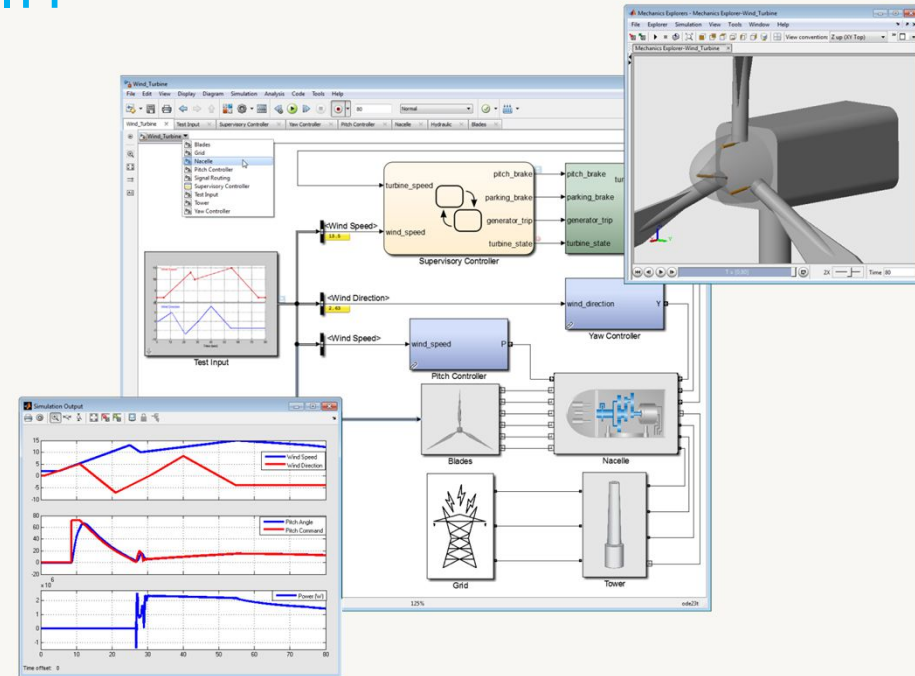




SYSTEM SIMULATION EXAMPLE

MULTIPLE DOMAINS, SCALES AND FIDELITY

- In many cases, **complex systems** are described by a **combination** of Ordinary Differential Equations (**ODE's**) and Partial Differential Equations **PDE's**
- So far, we have investigated the numerical solution of **ODE's**
- In the **following**, we will study how **PDE's** can be solved **numerically**



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The background of the slide is a composite image. On the left, a large portion of the Earth is visible, showing blue oceans and white clouds. A semi-transparent grid pattern, resembling a mesh or a digital grid, is overlaid on the left side of the Earth. On the right, the Moon is visible in the dark blue space, with a small green planet or moon in the distance. The sun is partially visible on the horizon of the Earth, creating a bright glow.

THE FINITE DIFFERENCE METHOD

THE ONE-DIMENSIONAL WAVE EQUATION



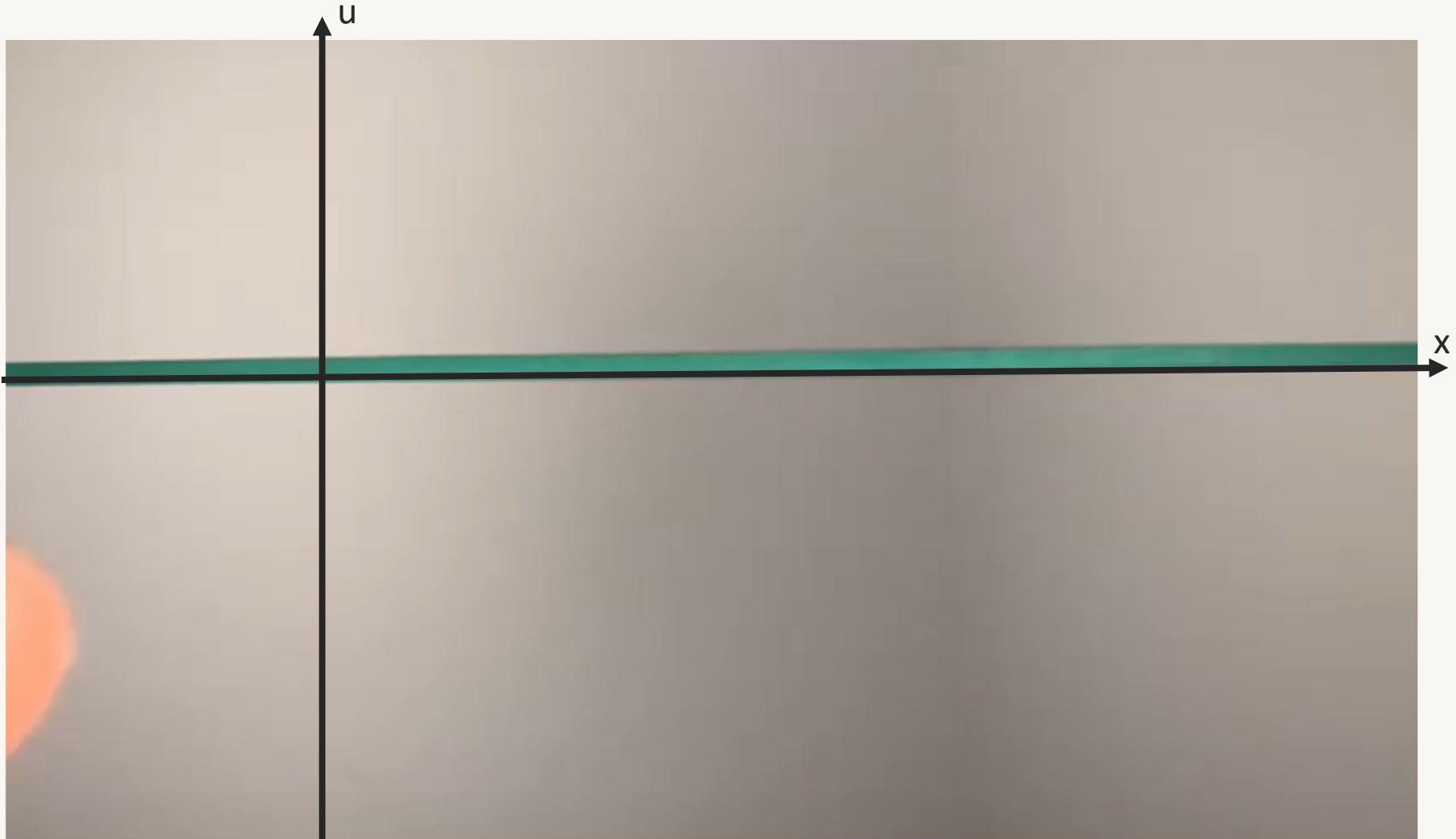
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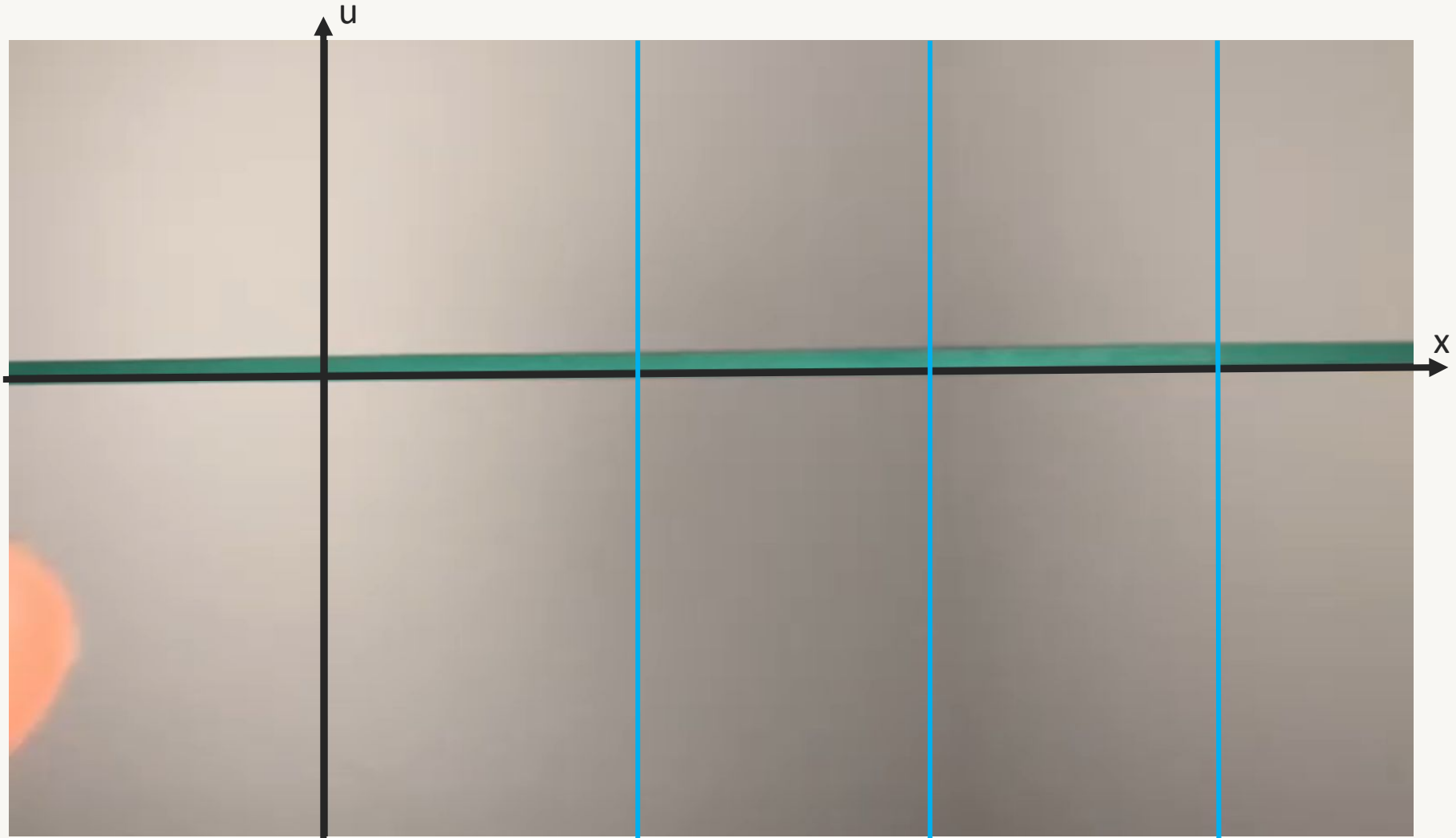


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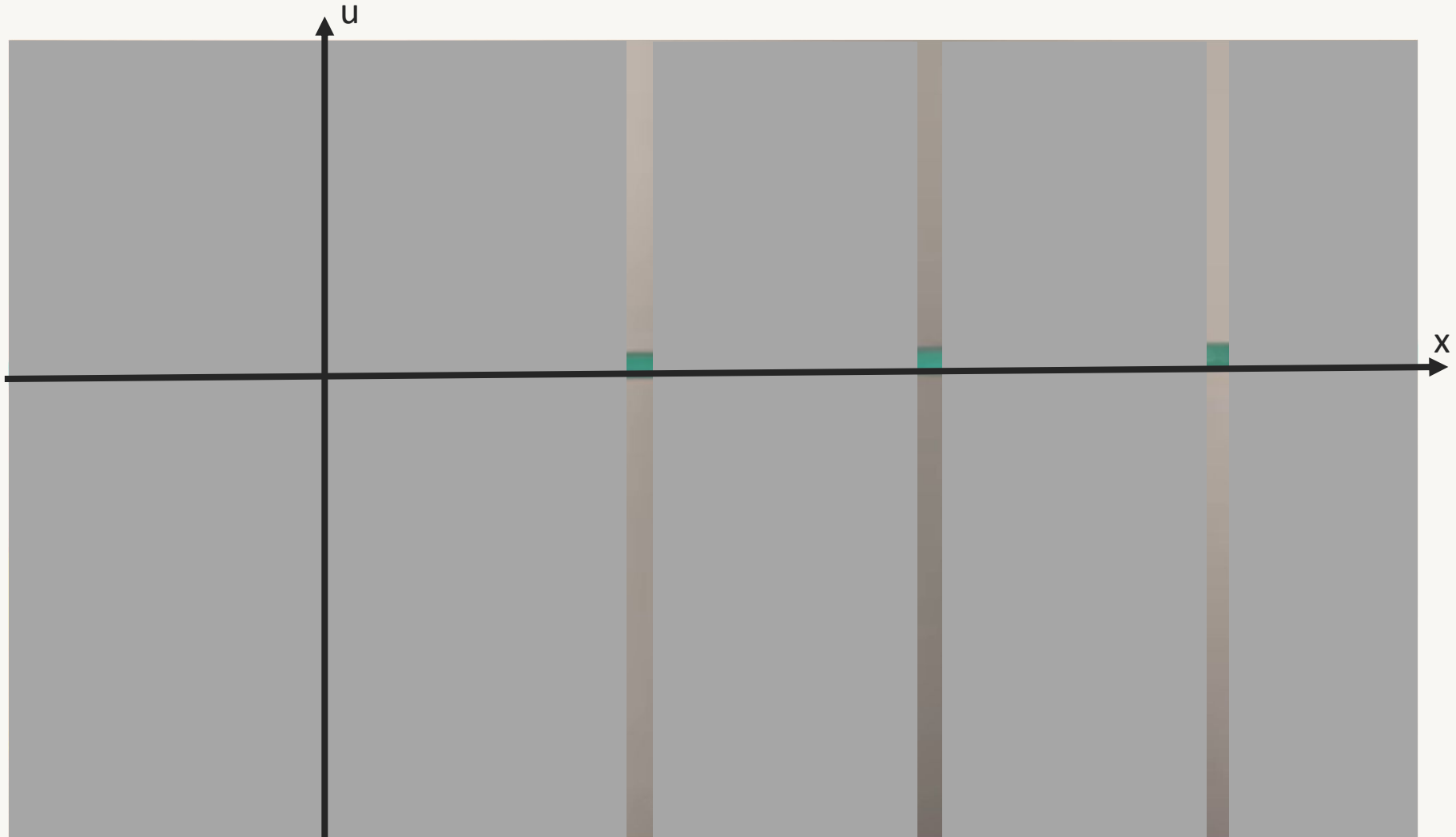
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FUNCTIONS WITH ONLY ONE VARIABLE

$$\frac{d^2 s(t)}{dt^2} = g$$

Function only depends on variable t
This equation is called **ordinary differential equation**

FUNCTIONS WITH MULTIPLE VARIABLES

$$u = f(x, t)$$

Function depends on variables x and t

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

This equation is called
partial differential equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \text{ is called } \textbf{Derivative}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \text{ is called } \textbf{Partial Derivative}$$

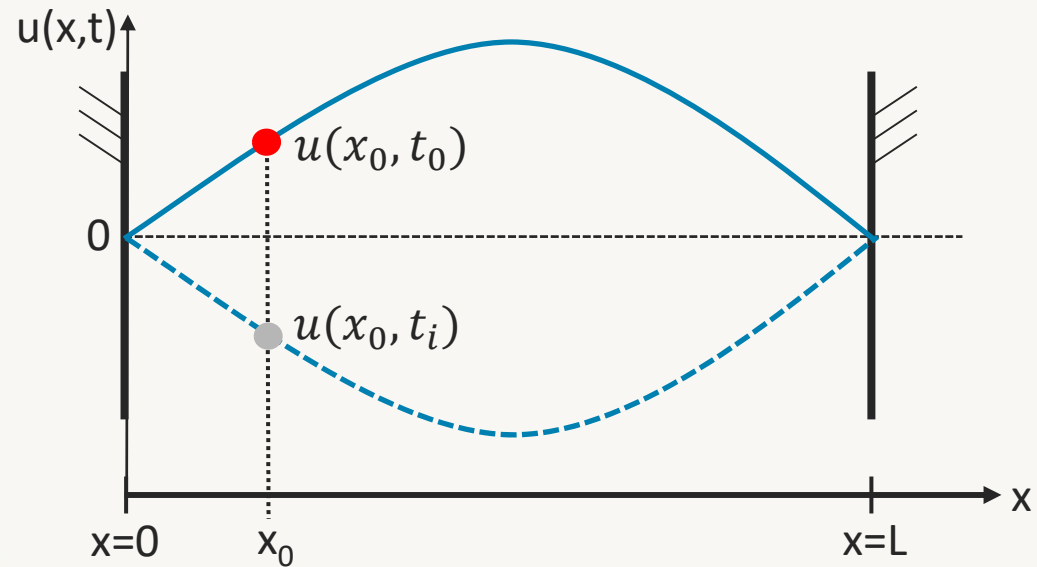


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OSCILLATIONS OF A GUITAR STRING



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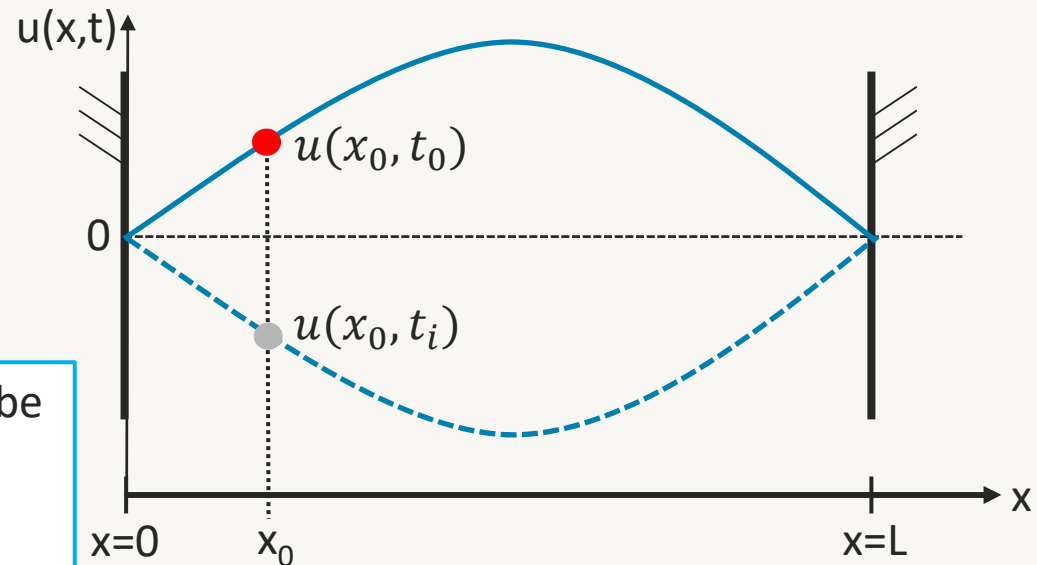
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Please note: This wave equation can be derived from the **rules of mechanics**

In this course, we assume that the **differential equations are known**

The **derivation** of the differential equation itself is application domain **specific**, but the **simulation methods** described here are **general**



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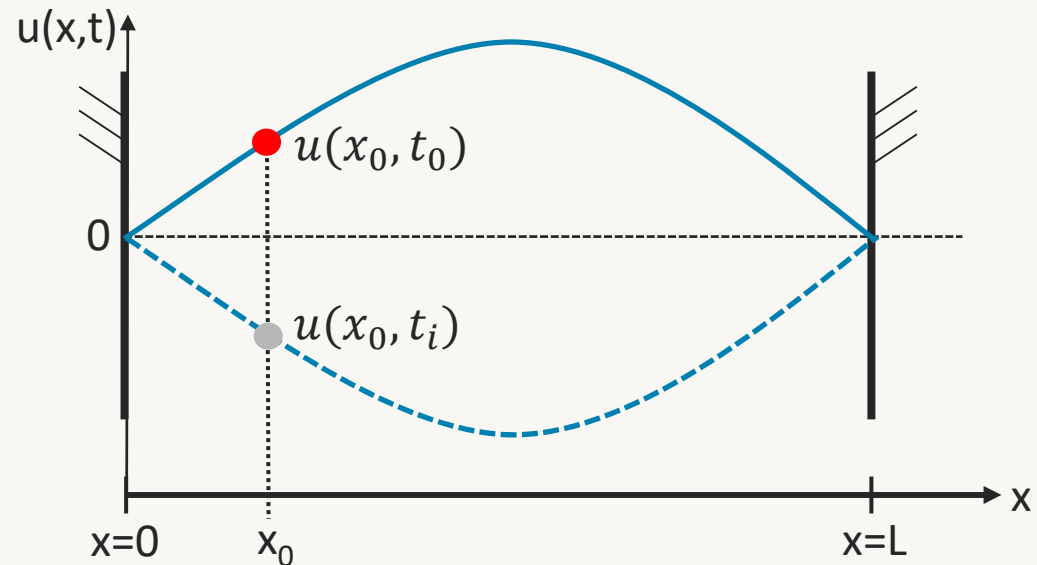
Boundary conditions:

$$u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0$$

Initial conditions:

$$u(x, t = 0) = f(x)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = 0$$



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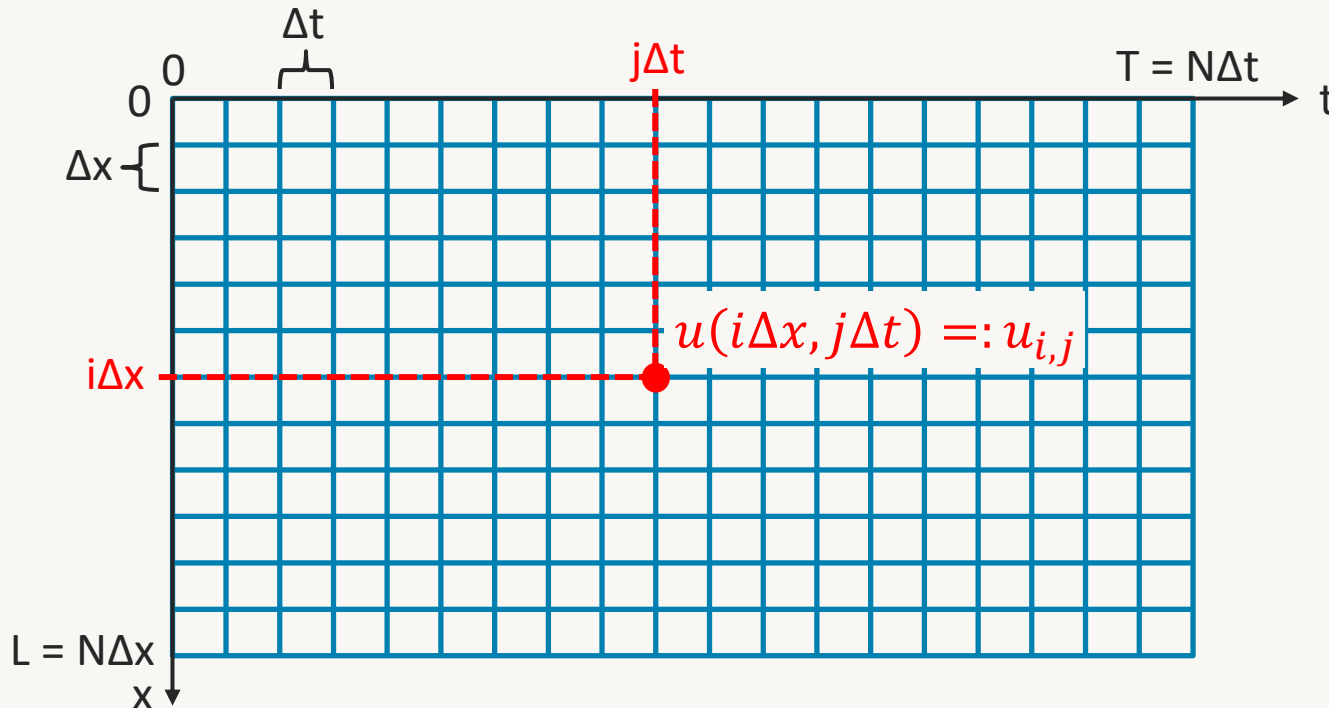
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WAVE EQUATION

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

The function depends on two variables x and $t \Rightarrow$ **two-dimensional discretization**

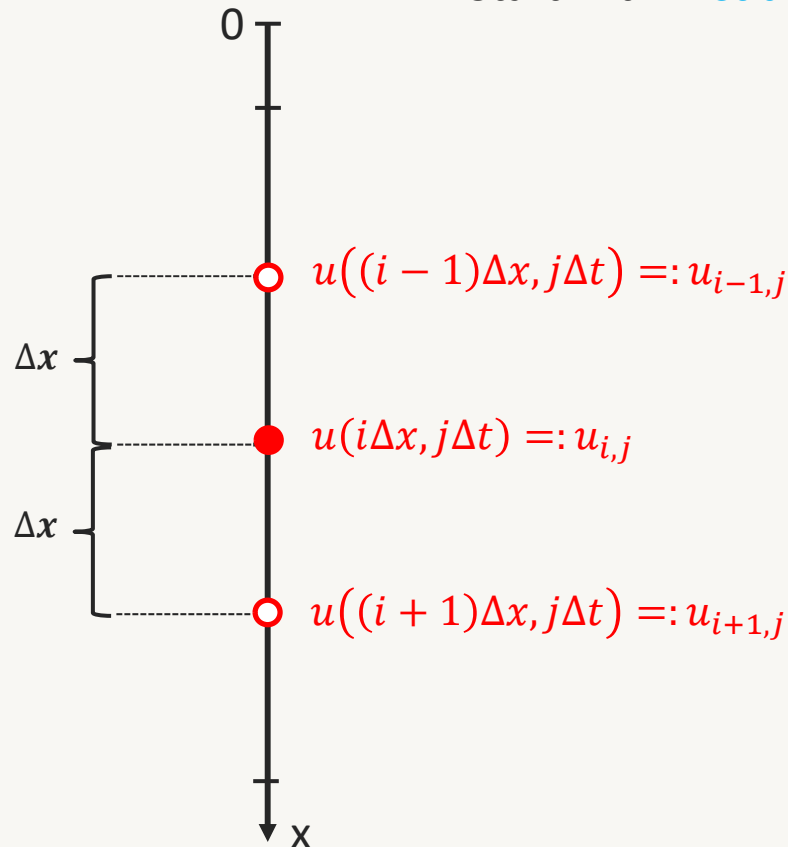


2.1 DISCRETIZATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

SPATIAL DISCRETIZATION

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{Partial differentiation in } x$$

Start with **first derivative** $\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x}$ and apply **central differencing**



$$\left. \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right|_{\substack{x=i\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i-1,j}}{2\Delta x}$$

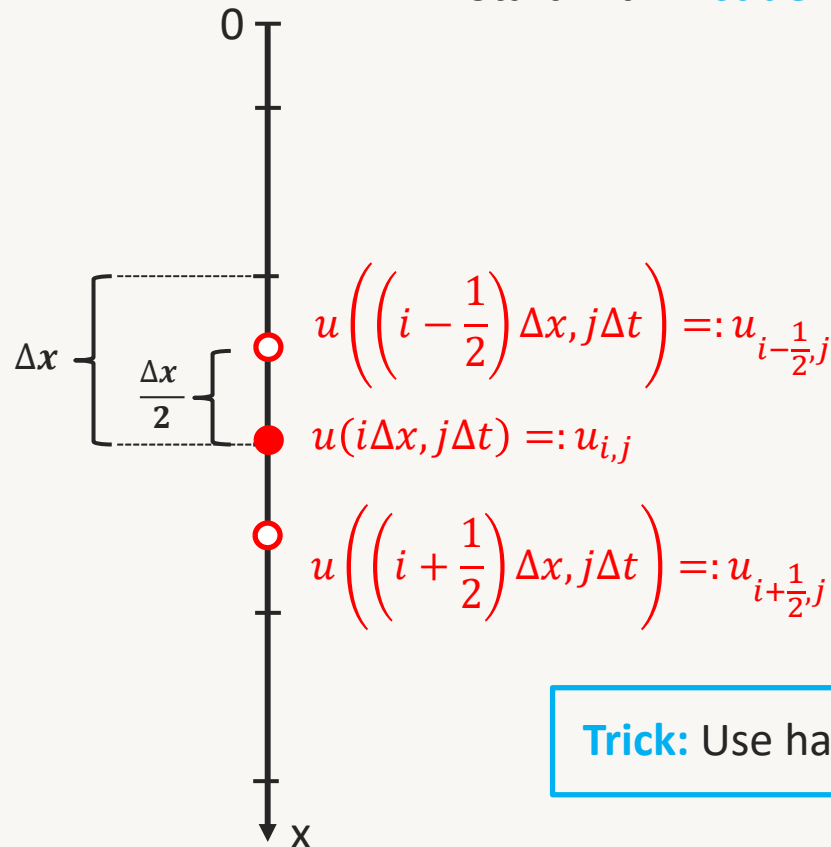
Problem: Large stencil of the operator

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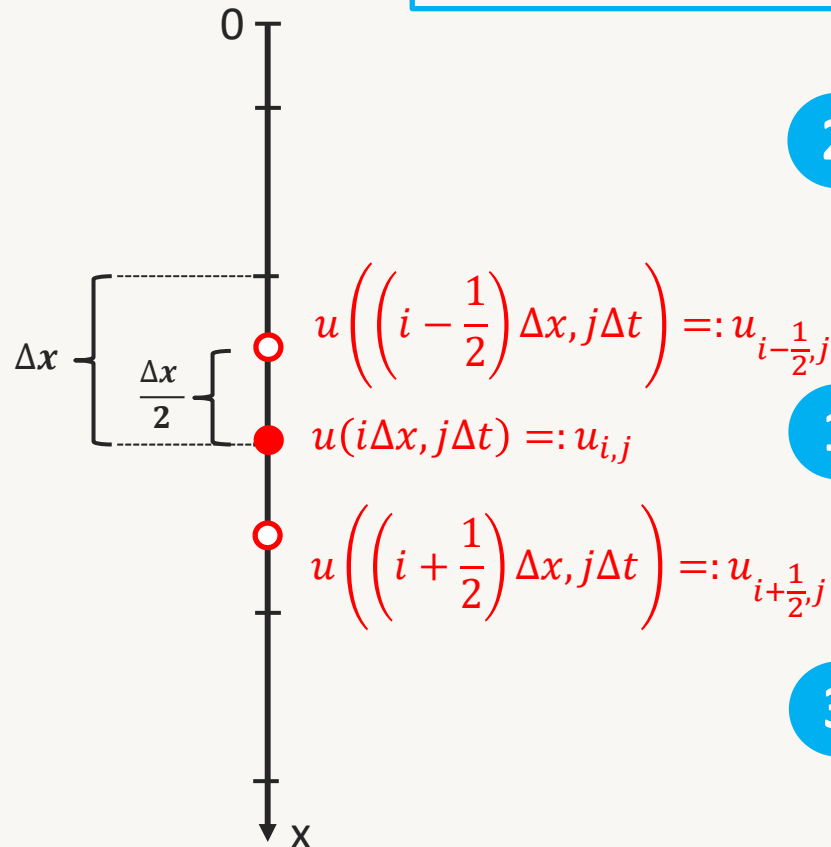
Trick: Use half grid step for discretization of derivative

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SPATIAL DISCRETIZATION

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{Partial differentiation in } x$$

Calculate the derivative at **three different locations**



$$2 \quad \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\substack{x=(i-\frac{1}{2})\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \approx \frac{u_{i, j} - u_{i-1, j}}{\Delta x}$$

$$1 \quad \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\substack{x=i\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \approx \frac{u_{i+\frac{1}{2}, j} - u_{i-\frac{1}{2}, j}}{\Delta x}$$

$$3 \quad \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\substack{x=(i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \approx \frac{u_{i+1, j} - u_{i, j}}{\Delta x}$$

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Now calculate the **second derivative**:

$$\begin{aligned}\left. \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \right|_{\substack{x=i\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} &= \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right) \right|_{\substack{x=i\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \\ &\approx \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{u_{i+\frac{1}{2},j} - u_{i-\frac{1}{2},j}}{\Delta x} \right) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left. \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right|_{\substack{x=(i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} - \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left. \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right|_{\substack{x=(i-\frac{1}{2})\Delta x \\ t=j\Delta t}} \\ &\approx \frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j}}{\Delta x^2} - \frac{u_{i,j} - u_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} = \frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j} - u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2}\end{aligned}$$

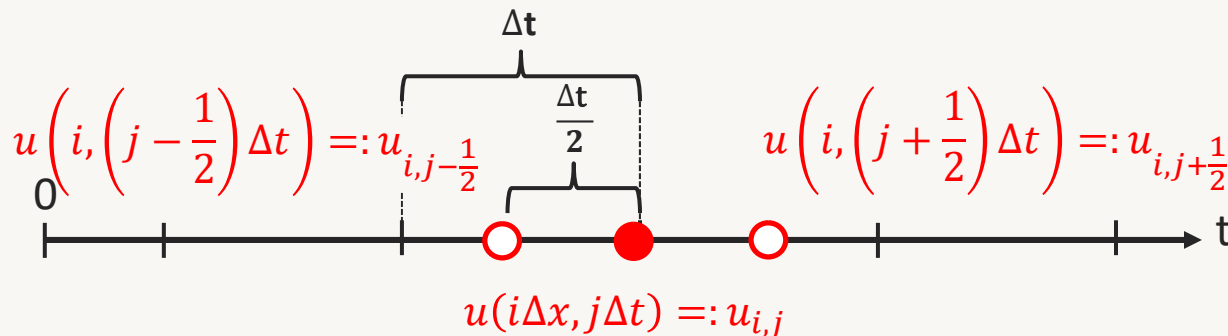
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TEMPORAL DISCRETIZATION $\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2}$ Partial differentiation in t

$\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t}$ Trick: Use **half grid step** for discretization of derivative, **central differencing**



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$$\left. \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x} \right|_{\substack{x=i\Delta x \\ t=(j+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t}} \approx \frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{\Delta t}$$

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TEMPORAL DISCRETIZATION

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u_{i+1,j} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i-1,j}}{\Delta x^2} - k \frac{u_{i,j+1} - 2u_{i,j} + u_{i,j-1}}{\Delta t^2} = 0 \quad \text{Substitute the results}$$

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From the **initial condition** we know the shape of the string for $j = 0$

$$u(x, t = 0) = f(x) \Rightarrow u_{i,0} = f_i$$

We will now derive an equation which allows us to **iteratively** determine **future values** $u_{i,j+1}$ when all **previous values** $u_{i,j}$ are known

\Rightarrow **Solve for $u_{i,j+1}$ in the equation above**

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$$\Rightarrow u_{i,j+1} = cu_{i+1,j} + cu_{i-1,j} + 2(1-c)u_{i,j} - u_{i,j-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{i,j} = cu_{i+1,j-1} + cu_{i-1,j-1} + 2(1-c)u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j-2} \quad \text{with} \quad c = \frac{\Delta t^2}{k\Delta x^2}$$

We have N steps in x direction, so i is in the range of $0, \dots, N$: $u_{0,j}, u_{1,j}, \dots, u_{N,j}$

We don't need to compute $u_{0,j}$ and $u_{N,j}$ due to the **boundary conditions**:

$$u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_{0,j} = u_{N,j} = 0$$

Therefore, the **range** of i for the computation is $i = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$

2.1 DISCRETIZATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

ITERATION SCHEME

$$u_{i,j} = cu_{i+1,j-1} + cu_{i-1,j-1} + 2(1-c)u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j-2} \quad \text{with} \quad c = \frac{\Delta t^2}{k\Delta x^2}$$

Iteration scheme:

$$i = 1, \dots, N-1 \quad : \quad u_{i,0} = f_i \quad \text{Initial condition}$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N-1 \quad : \quad u_{i,1} = cu_{i+1,0} + cu_{i-1,0} + 2(1-c)u_{i,0} - \boxed{u_{i,-1}} \quad \text{⚡}$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N-1, j = 2, \dots : \quad u_{i,j} = cu_{i+1,j-1} + cu_{i-1,j-1} + 2(1-c)u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j-2}$$

This **iteration scheme** equation for $j = 1$ refers to the **unknown** $u_{i,-1}$

This value can be determined from the **second initial condition** $\left. \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = 0$

Applying **backward differencing**, we obtain: $\frac{u_{i,0} - u_{i,-1}}{\Delta t} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{u_{i,-1} = u_{i,0}}$

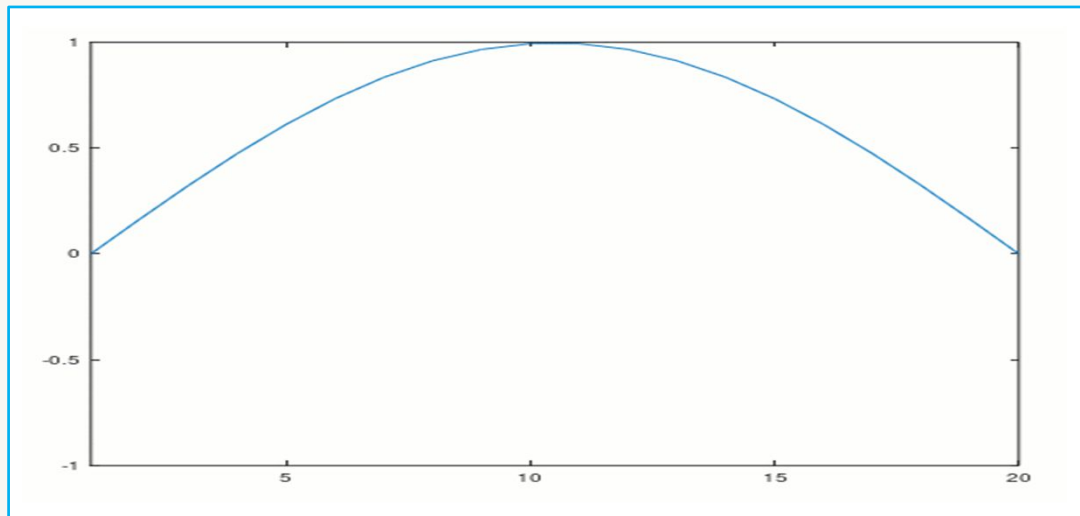
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FINAL ITERATION SCHEME $c = \frac{\Delta t^2}{k\Delta x^2}$

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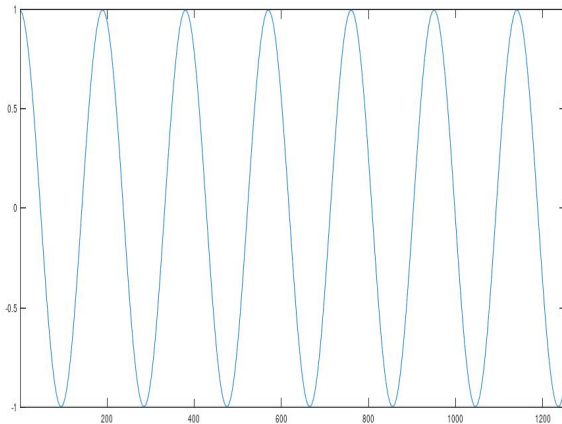
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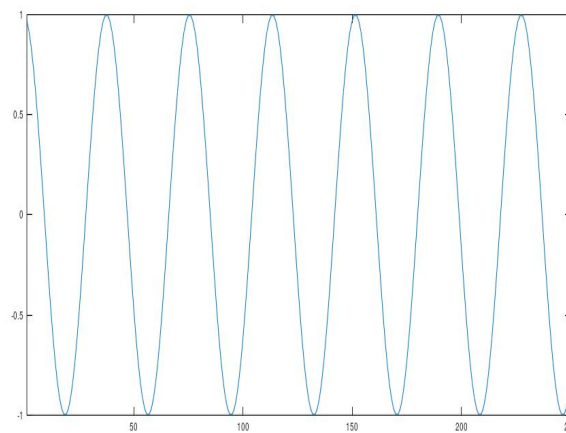
STABILITY

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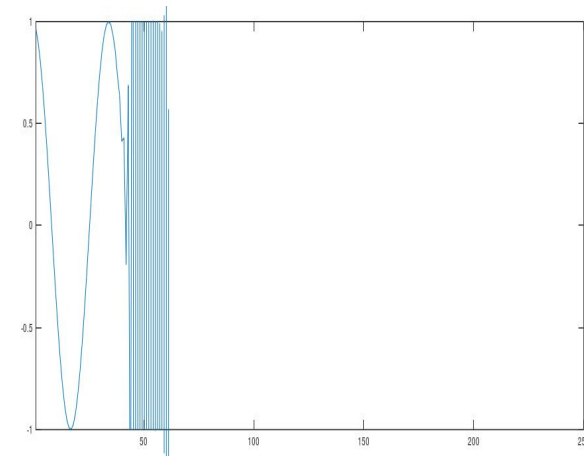
$\Delta t = 0.2$



$\Delta t = 1.0$



$\Delta t = 1.1$



The iteration is **stable** for:

$$\Delta t \leq \Delta t_{max}$$

The simulation gets **unstable** for
large time steps



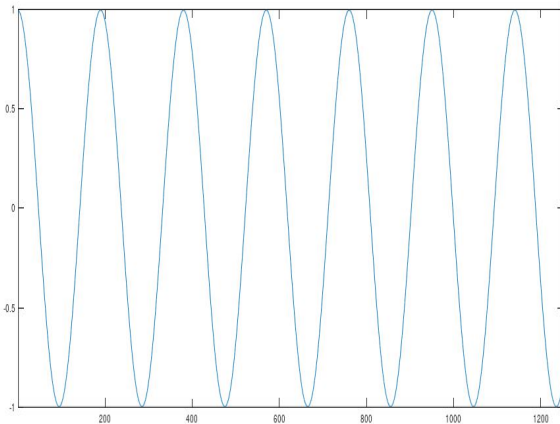
The method is **conditionally stable**

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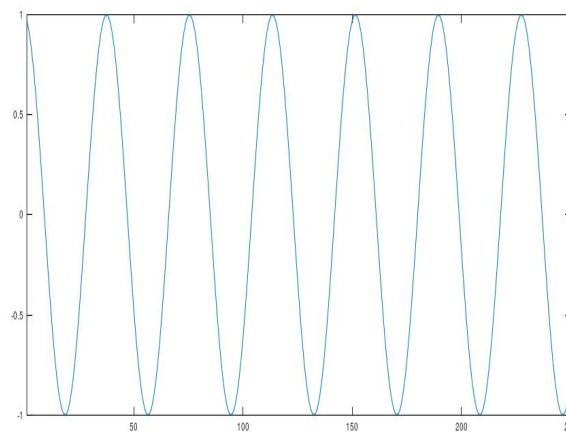
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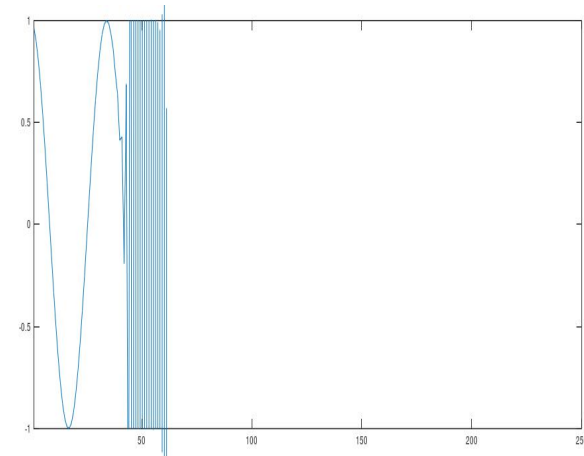
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**Courant-Friedrich-Levy
Criterion**

(Derivation see appendix)

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2.3 ITERATIVE SCHEMES IN MATRIX FORM

ITERATION SCHEME

$$i = 1, \dots, N - 1 \quad : \quad u_{i,0} = f_i$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N - 1 \quad : \quad u_{i,1} = cu_{i+1,0} + cu_{i-1,0} + 2(1 - c)u_{i,0} - u_{i,0}$$

$$i = 1, \dots, N - 1, j = 2, \dots : \quad u_{i,j} = cu_{i+1,j-1} + cu_{i-1,j-1} + 2(1 - c)u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j-2}$$

We introduce a **vector of degrees of freedom**:

$$\bar{u}_j = \underbrace{(u_{1,j}, u_{2,j}, \dots, u_{N-1,j})}_{\mathbf{u}_{i,j}} \underbrace{(u_{1,j-1}, u_{2,j-1}, \dots, u_{N-1,j-1})}_{\mathbf{u}_{i,j-1}}^T$$

With the **initial conditions** we obtain:

$$\bar{u}_0 = \underbrace{(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{N-1})}_{\mathbf{u}_{i,0} = f_i} \underbrace{(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{N-1})}_{\mathbf{u}_{i,-1} = \mathbf{u}_{i,0} = f_i}^T$$

2.3 ITERATIVE SCHEMES IN MATRIX FORM

MATRIX FORMULATION

$$u_{i,j} = cu_{i+1,j-1} + cu_{i-1,j-1} + 2(1-c)u_{i,j-1} - u_{i,j-2}$$

$$\bar{u}_j = \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,j} \\ u_{2,j} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j} \\ u_{1,j-1} \\ u_{2,j-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{\quad\quad\quad}^{N-1} & \overbrace{\quad\quad\quad}^{N-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \dots & c & 2(1-c) & c & \dots & -1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \dots & 1 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,j-1} \\ u_{2,j-1} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j-1} \\ u_{1,j-2} \\ u_{2,j-2} \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1,j-2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} C & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{(N-1) \times (N-1)} = M$

(the block matrices C, I are $(N-1) \times (N-1)$ matrices)

$\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{\bar{u}_{j-1}}$

Or as **iteration scheme** in **matrix representation**: $\bar{u}_j = M \bar{u}_{j-1}$

2.3 ITERATIVE SCHEMES IN MATRIX FORM

ITERATION SCHEME IN MATRIX FORM

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 2(1-c) & c & & & & \\ c & 2(1-c) & c & & & \\ & c & 2(1-c) & c & & \\ & & c & 2(1-c) & c & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & c & 2(1-c) & c \\ & & & & & c & 2(1-c) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{u}_0 = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{N-1}, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{N-1})^T$$

$$\bar{u}_j = \begin{pmatrix} C & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \bar{u}_{j-1}$$

This method is also **called fixed-point iteration**. According to the **Banach fixed point theorem**, it is stable, if the **spectral radius** (=absolute value of the largest eigenvalue) of the iteration matrix is ≤ 1

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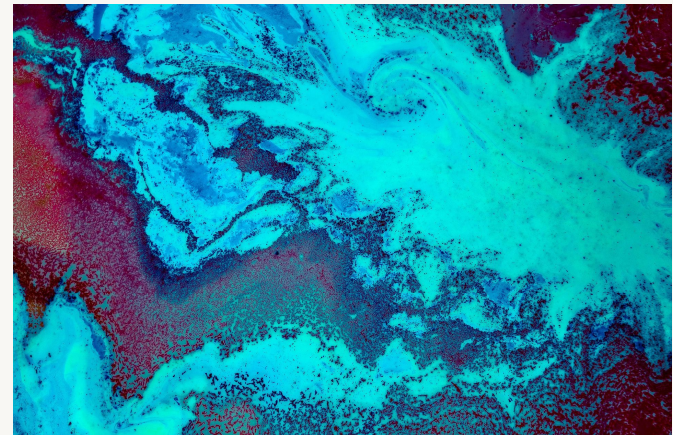
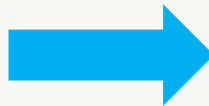
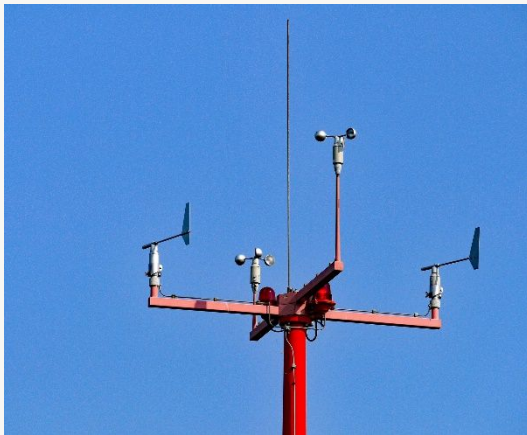
3. SUMMARY INITIAL VALUE PROBLEMS

The guitar string example is an **initial value problem**:

1. We know a **model** for the system (the wave equation)
2. We know the **initial state** of the system (at $t = 0$)
3. We **simulate** the system starting from this initial condition **without further interaction** with the system

Other example for initial value problem: **Weather forecast**

- Determine (measure) all parameters of the system at a **certain point in time**
- Then simulate the **future behavior** starting from this initial condition



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4. EIGENMODES OR NATURAL RESONANCES

Everything has a **natural resonance**:



After an “excitation”, the gong vibrates at a characteristic frequency, its **natural resonance**

4. EIGENMODES OR NATURAL RESONANCES

Everything has a **natural resonance**:

- **Musical instruments** (structural resonance, sound)
- **Mechanical clocks** (clock pendulum, accuracy)
- **Digital clocks** (electrical quartz resonance, accuracy)
- **Washing machines** (structural resonance, noise)
- **Cars** (structural resonance – chassis suspension, noise, safety)
- **Antennas** (electrical resonance, performance)
- **Buildings** (structural resonance, stability)

In mathematical terms, a **natural resonance** is called an **eigenmode** of an object

• 4. EIGENMODES OR NATURAL RESONANCES

TACOMA NARROWS BRIDGE (1940)



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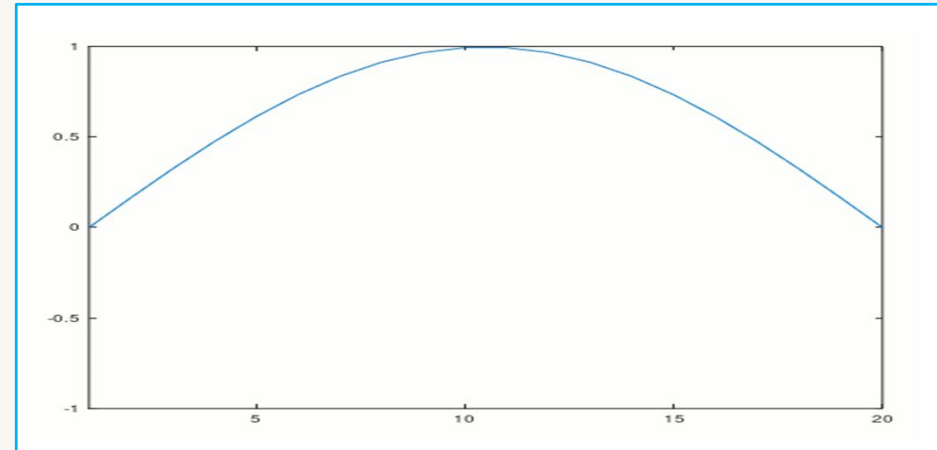
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5. EIGENMODES OF THE GUITAR STRING

TIME DOMAIN FORMULATION

So far, we have solved the differential equation in Time Domain as initial value problem

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$



EIGENMODE FORMULATION

- Now we want to calculate the **natural resonances** (=eigenmodes) of the guitar string
- Each resonance corresponds to a **characteristic resonance frequency** (= eigenvalue)
- As we are looking for resonance frequencies and not the motion of the string as function of time, it makes sense to switch to a **Frequency Domain formulation**

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5.1 FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATIONS

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION

Let's consider a general **time harmonic** function:

(according to Fourier, any continuous function can be composed by an infinite number of time harmonic solutions)

$$u(x, t) = u(x) \cos(\omega t + \phi(x)) \quad \text{with} \quad \omega = 2 \pi f, f = \text{frequency}$$

With $e^{iz} = \cos(z) + i \sin(z)$ we can write $\cos(z) = \text{Re}\{e^{iz}\}$ or:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= \text{Re}\{u(x) \cos(\omega t + \phi(x)) + i u(x) \sin(\omega t + \phi(x))\} \\ &= u(x) \text{Re}\{\cos(\omega t + \phi(x)) + i \sin(\omega t + \phi(x))\} \quad (u(x) \text{ is real-valued}) \\ &= u(x) \text{Re}\{e^{i(\omega t + \phi(x))}\} = \text{Re}\{u(x) e^{i(\omega t + \phi(x))}\} = \text{Re}\{\underbrace{u(x) e^{i \phi(x)}}_{\underline{u}(x)} e^{i \omega t}\} \end{aligned}$$

$\underline{u}(x)$ **Complex Phasor**

In summary we can write:

$$u(x, t) = \text{Re}\{\underline{u}(x) e^{i \omega t}\} \quad \text{General time harmonic function}$$



5.1 FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATIONS

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION

So far, we have shown that a general **time harmonic** function can be written as:

$$u(x, t) = u(x) \cos(\omega t + \varphi(x)) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad u(x, t) = \operatorname{Re}\{ \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t} \}$$

We can now define a **complex function** such that:

$$\underline{u}(x, t) = \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad u(x, t) = \operatorname{Re}\{ \underline{u}(x, t) \}$$

The **time derivative** of $\underline{u}(x, t)$ can then simply be calculated as:

$$\underline{\frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t}) = \underline{u}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} e^{i\omega t} = \underline{u}(x) i\omega e^{i\omega t} = i\omega \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t} = \underline{i\omega \underline{u}(x, t)}$$

Therefore, calculating a **time derivative** in the complex formulation simply becomes a **multiplication by $i\omega$**

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5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

We can now substitute a general **time harmonic** function $\underline{u}(x, t) = \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t}$ into the wave equation and obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{\partial^2 (\underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t})}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 (\underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t})}{\partial t^2} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} e^{i\omega t} - k \underline{u}(x) \frac{\partial^2 (e^{i\omega t})}{\partial t^2} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} e^{i\omega t} - k (i\omega)^2 \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t} = 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \boxed{\frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}(x) = 0} \end{aligned}$$

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

In summary:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}(x) = 0$$

This means that by **solving the equation** $\frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}(x) = 0$

we obtain a **general time harmonic** (complex) solution of the wave equation:

$$\underline{u}(x, t) = \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t}$$

We can then get the corresponding **real-valued** solution by:

$$u(x, t) = \operatorname{Re}\{ \underline{u}(x, t) \} = \operatorname{Re}\{ \underline{u}(x) e^{i\omega t} \}$$

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

Starting from

$$\frac{\partial^2 \underline{u}(x)}{\partial x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}(x) = 0$$

we can **discretize** the x-axis as before: $\underline{u}_k = \underline{u}(k \Delta x)$ and then apply a **central difference** scheme to **approximate the derivatives**:

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \underline{u}(x) \right) \right]_{x=k \Delta x} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}_k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\underline{u}_{k+1/2} - \underline{u}_{k-1/2}}{\Delta x} \right) \right]_{x=k \Delta x} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}_k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\underline{u}_{k+1} - 2\underline{u}_k + \underline{u}_{k-1}}{\Delta x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}_k = 0$$

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

Starting from

$$\frac{\underline{u}_{k+1} - 2\underline{u}_k + \underline{u}_{k-1}}{\Delta x^2} + k \omega^2 \underline{u}_k = 0$$

we can again group the degrees of freedom \underline{u}_k in a **vector**

$$\underline{u} = (\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \dots, \underline{u}_{N-1})^T$$

and write the relation above as **matrix equation**:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \ddots & & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u}_1 \\ \underline{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{u}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} + k \omega^2 \Delta x^2 \begin{pmatrix} \underline{u}_1 \\ \underline{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{u}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \ddots & & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}}_M \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \underline{u}_1 \\ \underline{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{u}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}}_{\underline{u}} + \underbrace{k \omega^2 \Delta x^2}_{\lambda} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \underline{u}_1 \\ \underline{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{u}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}}_{\underline{u}} = 0$$

This **equation system** can then be written as:

$$M \underline{u} - \lambda \underline{u} = 0 \Leftrightarrow M \underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u}$$

Mathematical eigenvalue problem

Solutions \underline{u} which satisfy this relation are called **eigenvectors** (or **eigenmodes**). The corresponding scalar values λ are called **eigenvalues**

The corresponding **resonance frequency** can be calculated from an eigenvalue by

$$\lambda = -k \omega^2 \Delta x^2 \Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{-\lambda}{k \Delta x^2}}$$

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

We are searching for the solution of the **eigenvalue** problem $M \underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u}$

$$\text{with } M = \begin{pmatrix} \ddots & & & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & & \end{pmatrix}$$

In general, the solution can be calculated by solving the **eigenvalue problem numerically** (e.g. with MATLAB)

In this case, the matrix M is a **tridiagonal Toeplitz matrix** (constant elements on three diagonals).

The **eigenvalues** and **eigenvectors** (or **eigenmodes**) of such matrices are known from linear algebra.

5.2 WAVE EQUATION IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

FREQUENCY DOMAIN FORMULATION OF THE WAVE EQUATION

$$M \underline{u} = \lambda \underline{u} \quad \text{with} \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} \ddots & & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues and **eigenvectors** of the tridiagonal **Toeplitz matrix**:

$$\lambda_m = -2 - 2 \sqrt{1 \cdot 1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{N}\right) = -2 \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{N}\right)\right)$$

$$\underline{u}_m = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\left(\frac{1\pi m}{N}\right) \\ \sin\left(\frac{2\pi m}{N}\right) \\ \vdots \\ \sin\left(\frac{(N-1)\pi m}{N}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$



MATLAB USEFUL TIPS AND TRICKS

COMPUTING EIGENVALUES AND EIGENVECTORS OF A MATRIX + USEFUL OPERATIONS

```
e = eig(A) % compute a vector containing the eigenvalues  
           % of the square matrix A
```

```
[V,D] = eig(A) % compute a matrix V whose columns are  
               % the eigenvectors of the square matrix A  
               % D is a diagonal matrix with the  
               % eigenvalues of A on the diagonal
```

```
v = A(:, i) % extract the i-th column of the matrix A and  
            % store the result in vector v
```

```
v = A(i, :) % extract the i-th row of the matrix A and  
            % store the result in vector v
```

```
v = [0; a; 0] % add zero values to the beginning and end  
              % of vector a
```

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6. SUMMARY

$$\frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - k \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

Wave Equation



Initial value problem



Eigenvalue problem

- Time Domain simulation
- Start from an initial state and simulate how the system behaves as function of time (iterative)
- No further excitation during the simulation

- Frequency Domain simulation
- Determine natural resonances of a system (solve eigenvalue problem)
- No excitation at all
- Eigenvectors (eigenmodes) describe the shapes of the resonances
- Eigenvalues describe the resonance frequencies

THANK YOU!

See you in the exercise!

• STABILITY OF ITERATIVE SCHEMES

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM STABLE TIME STEP Δt_{\max}

Our **iteration scheme** is as follows:

$$u_{k,l+1} = cu_{k+1,l} + cu_{k-1,l} + 2(1-c)u_{k,l} - u_{k,l-1} \quad \text{with} \quad c = \frac{\Delta t^2}{k\Delta x^2}$$

We consider a time and space **harmonic solution**:

$$u_{k,l} = U_0 \cos(k_x k \Delta x - \varphi_0 + \omega l \Delta t)$$

Every solution of the wave equation can be written as **superposition** of these harmonic solutions. Therefore it is sufficient to demonstrate stability for the **harmonic solutions**

In **complex form**, we write (with i being the imaginary unit):

$$\underline{u}_{k,l} = \underbrace{U_0 e^{-i\varphi_0}}_{\underline{U}_0} e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t}$$

• STABILITY OF ITERATIVE SCHEMES

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM STABLE TIME STEP Δt_{\max}

$$\underline{u}_{k,l} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t}$$

$$\underline{u}_{k,l+1} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega(l+1)\Delta t} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} e^{i\omega \Delta t} = \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{i\omega \Delta t}$$

$$\underline{u}_{k,l-1} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega(l-1)\Delta t} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} e^{-i\omega \Delta t} = \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{-i\omega \Delta t}$$

$$\underline{u}_{k+1,l} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x(k+1)\Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} e^{ik_x \Delta x} = \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{ik_x \Delta x}$$

$$\underline{u}_{k-1,l} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x(k-1)\Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} = \underline{U}_0 e^{ik_x k \Delta x} e^{i\omega l \Delta t} e^{-ik_x \Delta x} = \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{-ik_x \Delta x}$$

Now introduce these descriptions into our **iteration scheme**:

$$u_{k,l+1} = cu_{k+1,l} + cu_{k-1,l} + 2(1-c)u_{k,l} - u_{k,l-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{i\omega \Delta t} = c \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{ik_x \Delta x} + c \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{-ik_x \Delta x} + 2(1-c)\underline{u}_{k,l} - \underline{u}_{k,l} e^{-i\omega \Delta t}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{i\omega \Delta t} = c e^{ik_x \Delta x} + c e^{-ik_x \Delta x} + 2(1-c) - e^{-i\omega \Delta t}$$

• STABILITY OF ITERATIVE SCHEMES

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM STABLE TIME STEP Δt_{\max}

$$e^{i\omega\Delta t} = c e^{ik_x\Delta x} + c e^{-ik_x\Delta x} + 2(1 - c) - e^{-i\omega\Delta t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{e^{i\omega\Delta t} + e^{-i\omega\Delta t} - 2}_{2 \cos(\omega\Delta t) - 2} = c \underbrace{(e^{ik_x\Delta x} + e^{-ik_x\Delta x} - 2)}_{2 \cos(k_x\Delta x) - 2}$$

With the relation: $\cos(x) = 1 - 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow -4 \sin^2\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right) = -4 c \sin^2\left(\frac{k_x\Delta x}{2}\right)$$

$$c = \frac{\Delta t^2}{k\Delta x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{k_x\Delta x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2}$$

Dispersion Relation

Describes the relation of spatial and temporal propagation

• STABILITY OF ITERATIVE SCHEMES

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM STABLE TIME STEP Δt_{\max}

$$\frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{k_x\Delta x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2}$$

For **stable oscillations**, we require ω to be real-valued. This leads to:

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right) = \frac{\Delta t^2}{4k} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{k_x\Delta x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^2} \leq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\Delta t}{\sqrt{k} \Delta x} \left| \sin\left(\frac{k_x\Delta x}{2}\right) \right| \leq 1$$

This condition needs to be satisfied for **all solutions** k_x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta t}{\sqrt{k} \Delta x} \leq 1$$

and finally:

$$\Delta t_{\max} = \sqrt{k} \Delta x$$

**Courant-Friedrich-Levy
Criterion**