

Schedule

1. What are models?

Exercise: Python Skills

2. Energy budget of the Earth

Exercise: Simple Energy Balance Model

3. Nonlinearity, Feedback, and Predictability

Exercise: Nonlinearity and Feedbacks

Exercise: Revised Energy Balance Model

4. Parametrization and Sensitivity

5. Radiative budget

Exercise: 1-layer greenhouse model

Exercise: 2-layer greenhouse model

6. Introduction to fluid dynamics

Exercise: Analytical katabatic flow model

7. Finite difference method

Exercise: Heat Equation

Exercise: Advection-Diffusion Equation

Exercise: Boundary layer Evolution

Exercise: Numerical katabatic flow model

8. Implicit finite difference methods

Exercise: Boundary layer evolution

9. Optimization problem

Exercise: Surface energy balance

Exercise: Sublimation

10. COSIPY snow model

Exercise: Simulations with COSIPY

11. Introduction to PALM

Exercise: Simulations with PALM

12. How to write an article

Five steps of model development

Step 1: Mathematical model

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = - \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) - g_x - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \overline{u'u'}}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \overline{u'v'}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \overline{u'w'}}{\partial z}$$

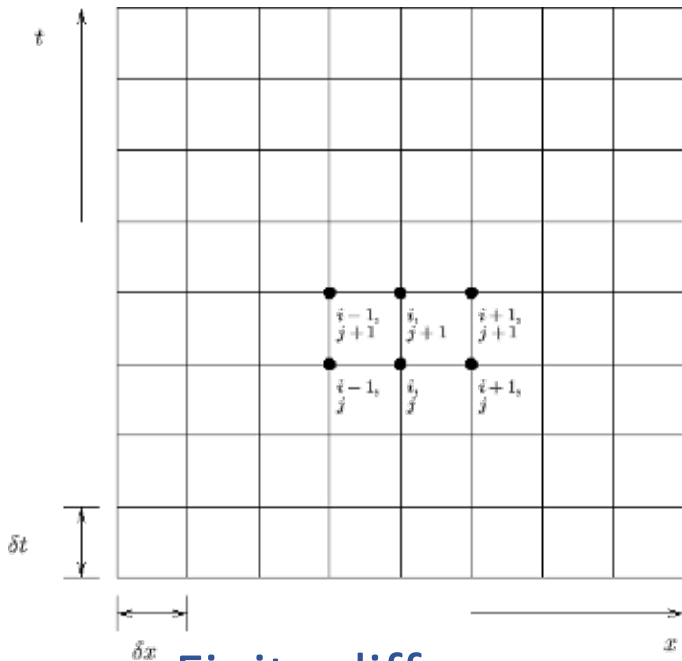
- Partial differential equation (PDE)
- Boundary conditions (BC)
- Does the model fit the problem?
- Does it introduce errors?

Step 2: Discretization  Approximation of the PDEs \rightarrow system of algebraic equations

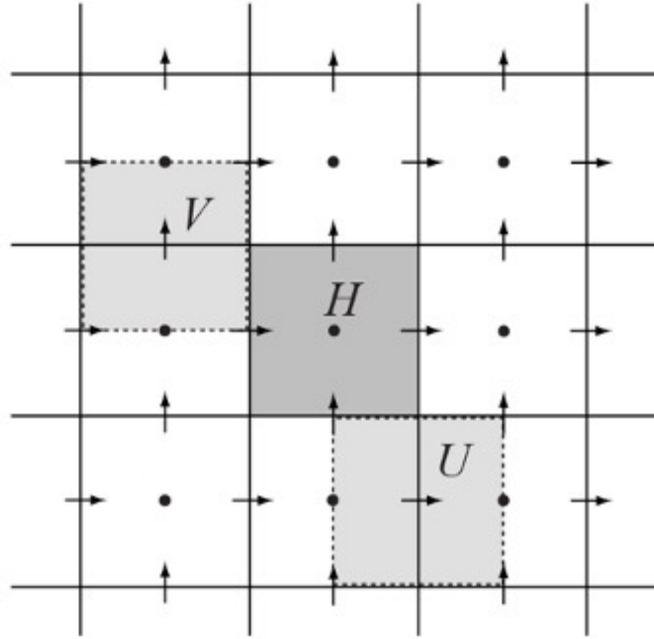
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} \right) &= -\nabla p - \mathbf{g} - \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{u} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} Ax = b = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{m1} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{pmatrix}$$

Five steps of model development

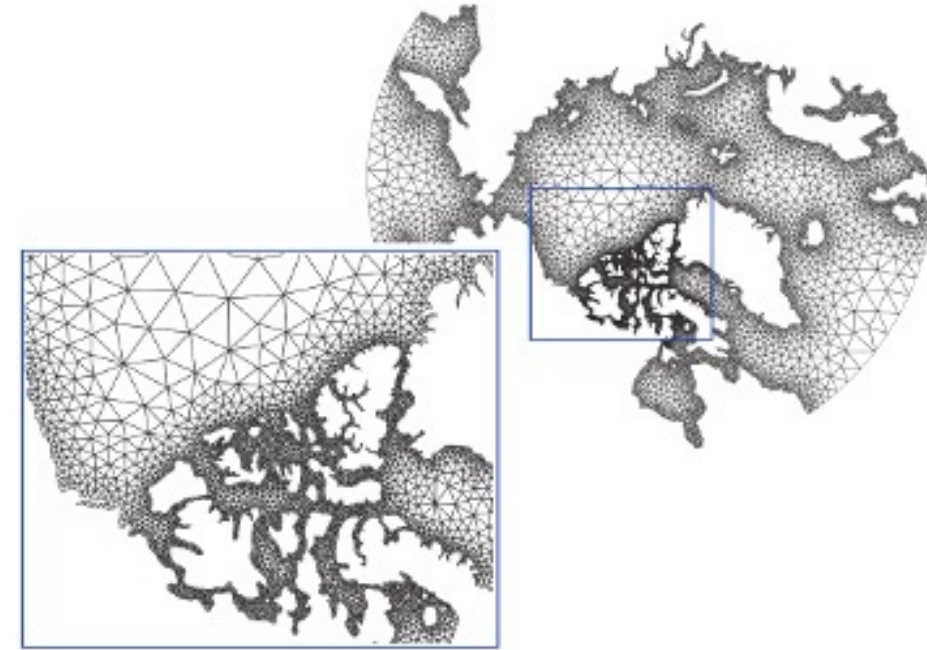
Step 2: Discretization



Finite differences



Finite Volume



Finite Elements

- Geometry: Create mesh or grid
- Model $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow$ arithmetic operations

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Step 3: Analyse the model

Numerical Scheme must satisfy ...

- consistency
- stability
- convergence
- conservation
- boundedness
- accuracy and error behaviour

Step 4: Solve the model

'Steady state' model

$$Ax = b$$

Linear solver

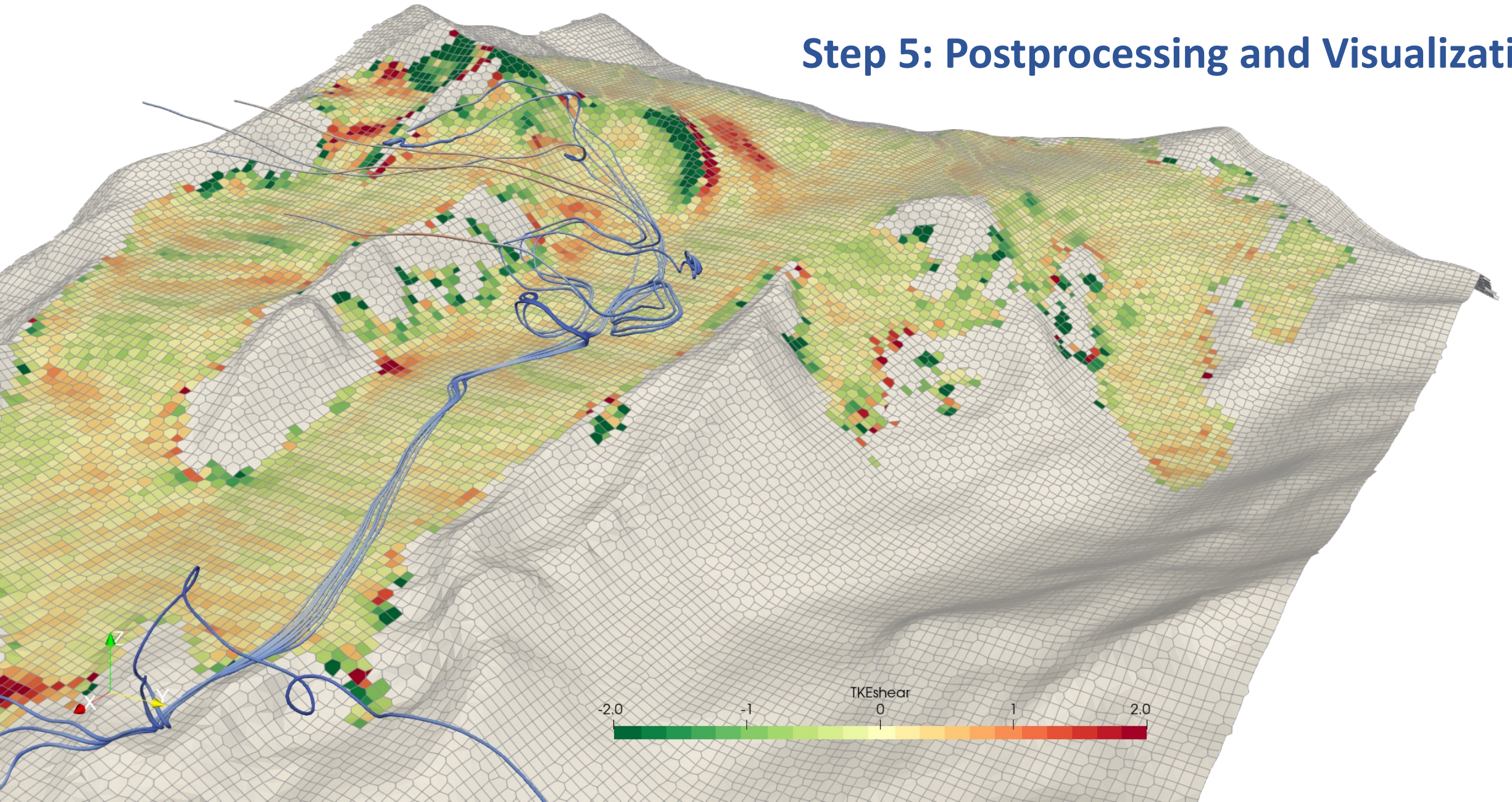
'Time dependent' model

Ordinary differential equations (ODE)

Time integration solver

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Step 5: Postprocessing and Visualization





Finite Differences

Step 1: Discretization of domain (grid/mesh)

Step 2: Substitution of derivations by differences

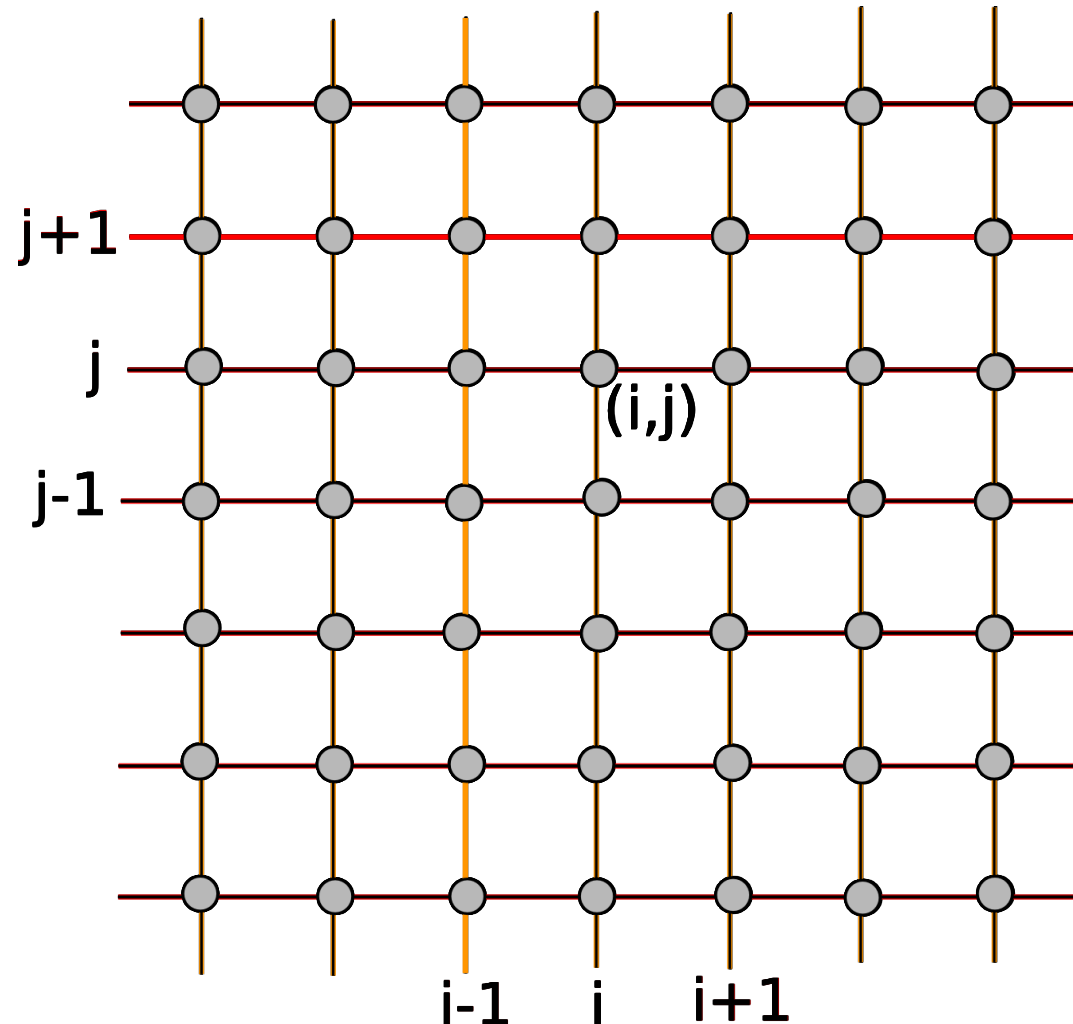
Step 3: Sort the differences equations

Step 4: Solve the difference equations, linear system

Discretization of the domain

Approximate derivatives $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$... numerically

Let's define a grid:



- v
- contains field variables dependent on neighbouring nodes
- provides one algebraic equation
- grid lines from same family don't intersect

Discretization of the domain

Domain:

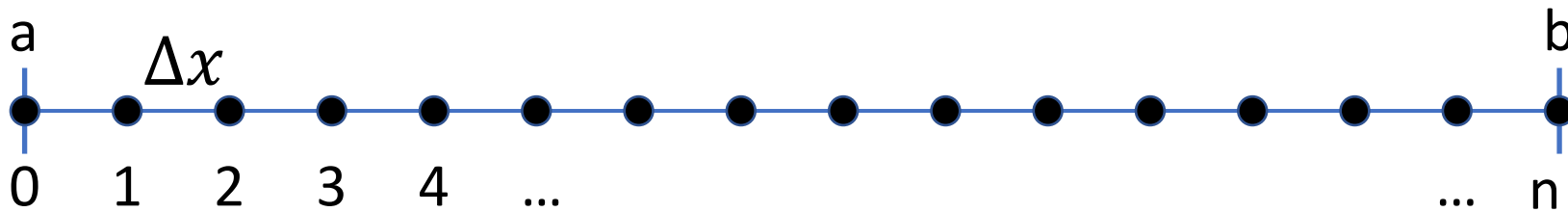
Interval: $I = [a, b]$

Discretization:

Grid points: $x_i = a + i\Delta x, \quad i = 0, \dots, n$

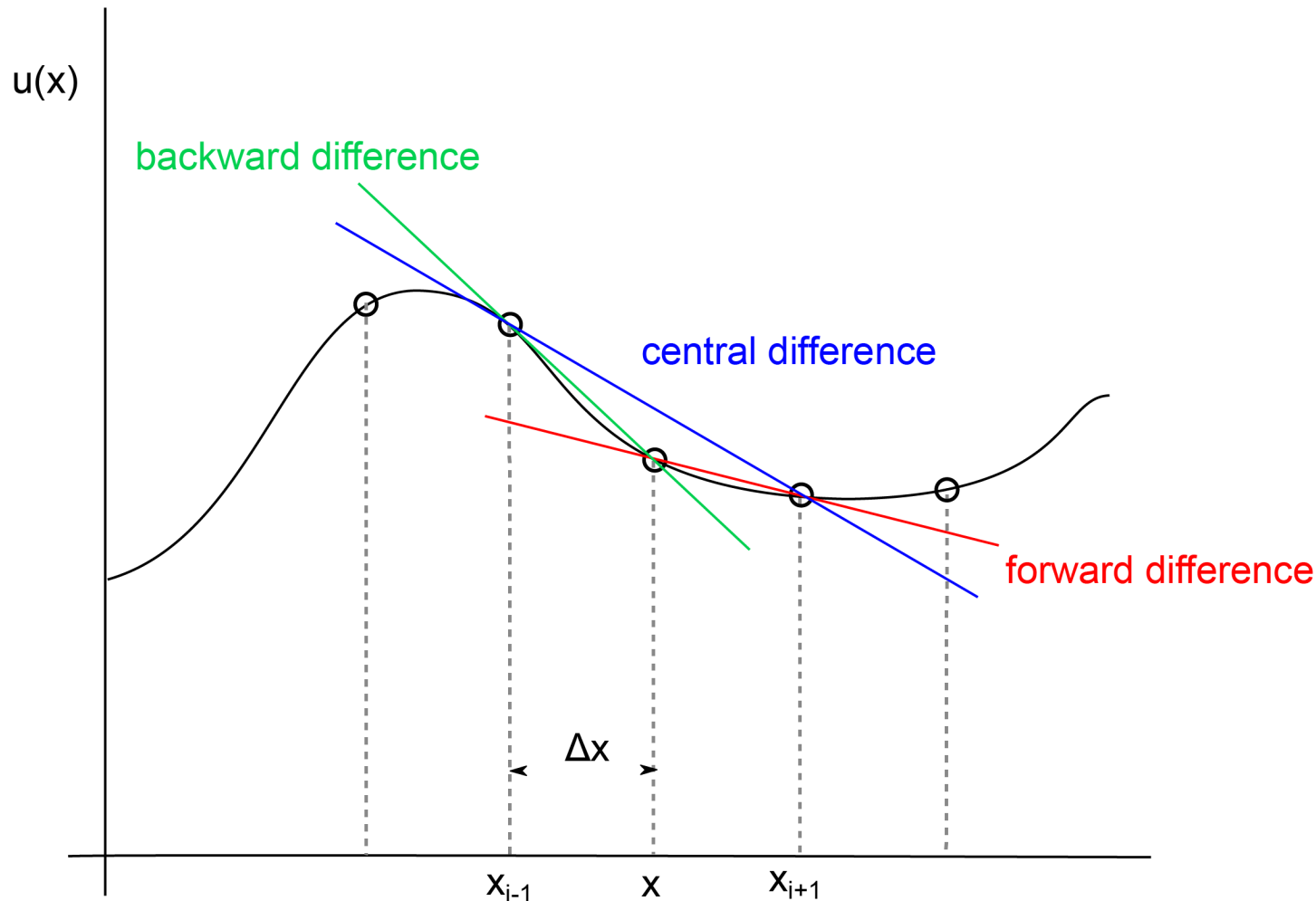
Equidistant grid:

Grid step: $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$



Discretization of the domain

$$\left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_i + \Delta x) - u(x_i)}{\Delta x}$$



Forward difference

$$\left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} \simeq \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_i)}{\Delta x}$$

Backward difference

$$\left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} \simeq \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_i) - u(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x}$$

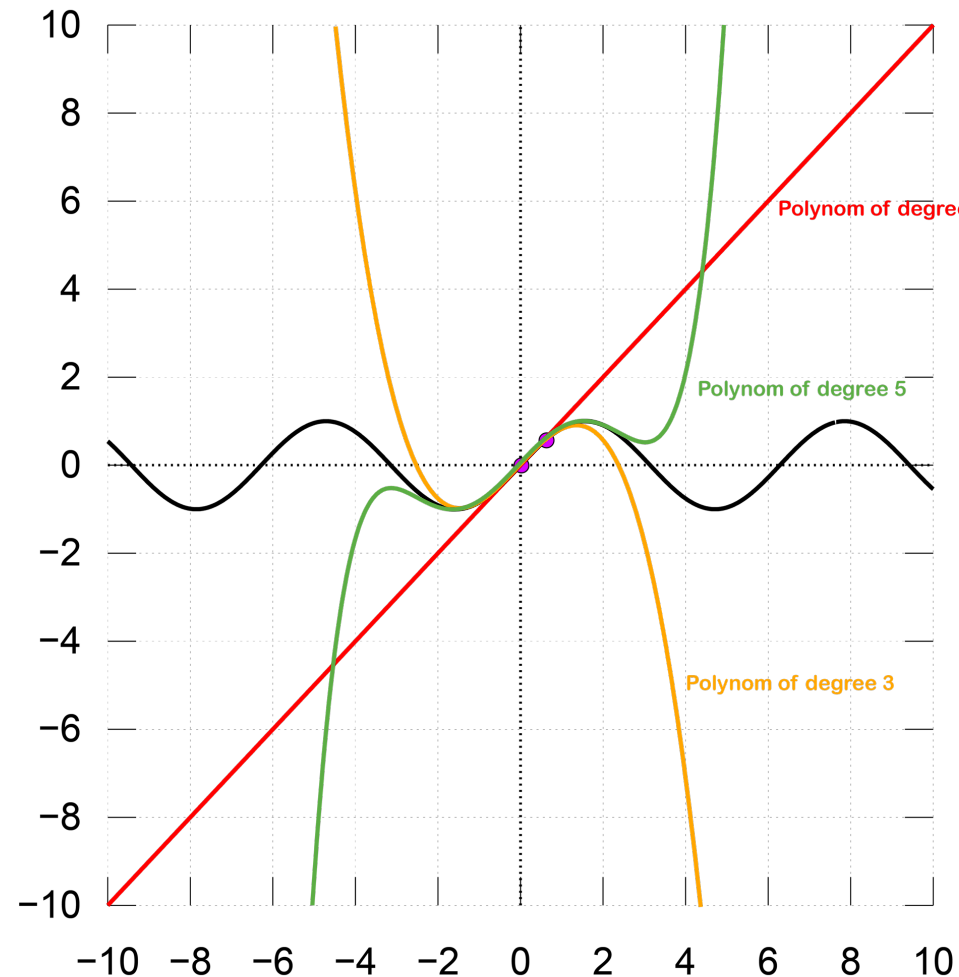
Central difference

$$\left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} \simeq \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_{i-1})}{2\Delta x}$$

Accuracy of finite difference approximation

Taylor-Series:

$$(1) \quad u(x_{i-1}) = u(x_i) - \Delta x u_x(x_i) + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} u_{xx}(x_i) - \frac{\Delta x^3}{6} u_{xxx}(x_i) + \dots$$



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$$(2) \quad u(x_{i+1}) = u(x_i) + \Delta x u_x(x_i) + \frac{\Delta x^2}{2} u_{xx}(x_i) + \frac{\Delta x^3}{6} u_{xxx}(x_i) + \dots$$

Difference quotient of derivation: (2) – (1)

$$u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_{i-1}) = 2\Delta x u_x(x_i) - \frac{2\Delta x^3}{6} u_{xxx}(x_i) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^5)$$

$$\frac{u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_{i-1}))}{2\Delta x} = u_x(x_i) - \underbrace{\frac{\Delta x^2}{6} u_{xxx}(x_i) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4)}_{\text{We neglect all h.o.t.}}$$

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$$\frac{u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_i)}{\Delta x} \simeq \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$$

Forward difference

$$\frac{u(x_i) - u(x_{i-1}))}{\Delta x} \simeq \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$$

Backward difference

$$\frac{u(x_{i+1}) - u(x_{i-1}))}{2\Delta x} \simeq \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_{x_i} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$$

Central difference

$$\frac{u(x_{i+1}) - 2u(x_i) + u(x_{i-1}))}{\Delta x^2} \simeq \left. \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \right|_{x_i} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$$

2. Derivative

Grid spacing Δx	Method	Error
0.1	FD, BD	$\mathcal{O}(\Delta x) = 0.1$ (10%)
0.1	CD	$\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2) = 0.01$ (1%)
0.01	FD, BD	$\mathcal{O}(\Delta x) = 0.01$ (10%)