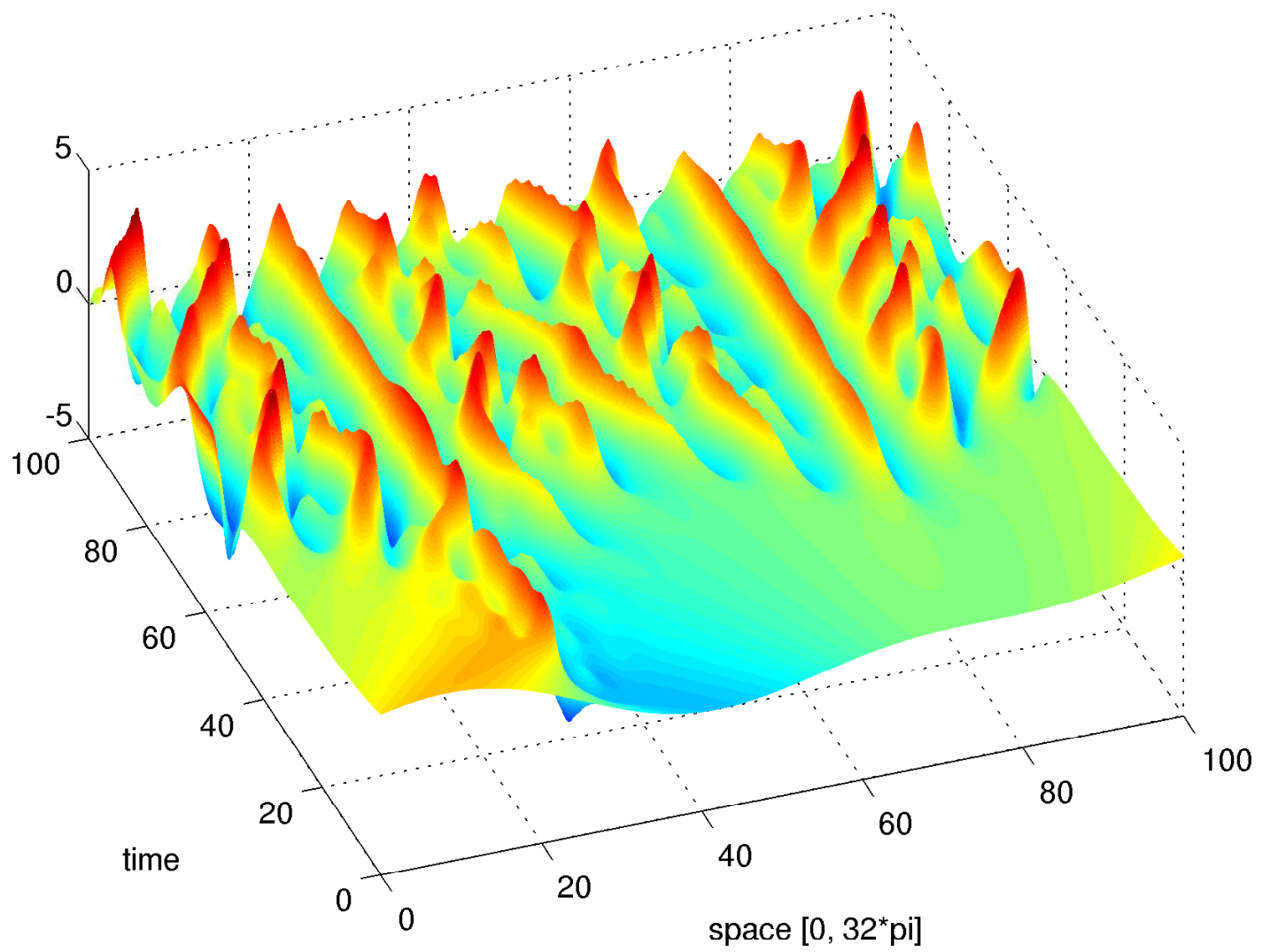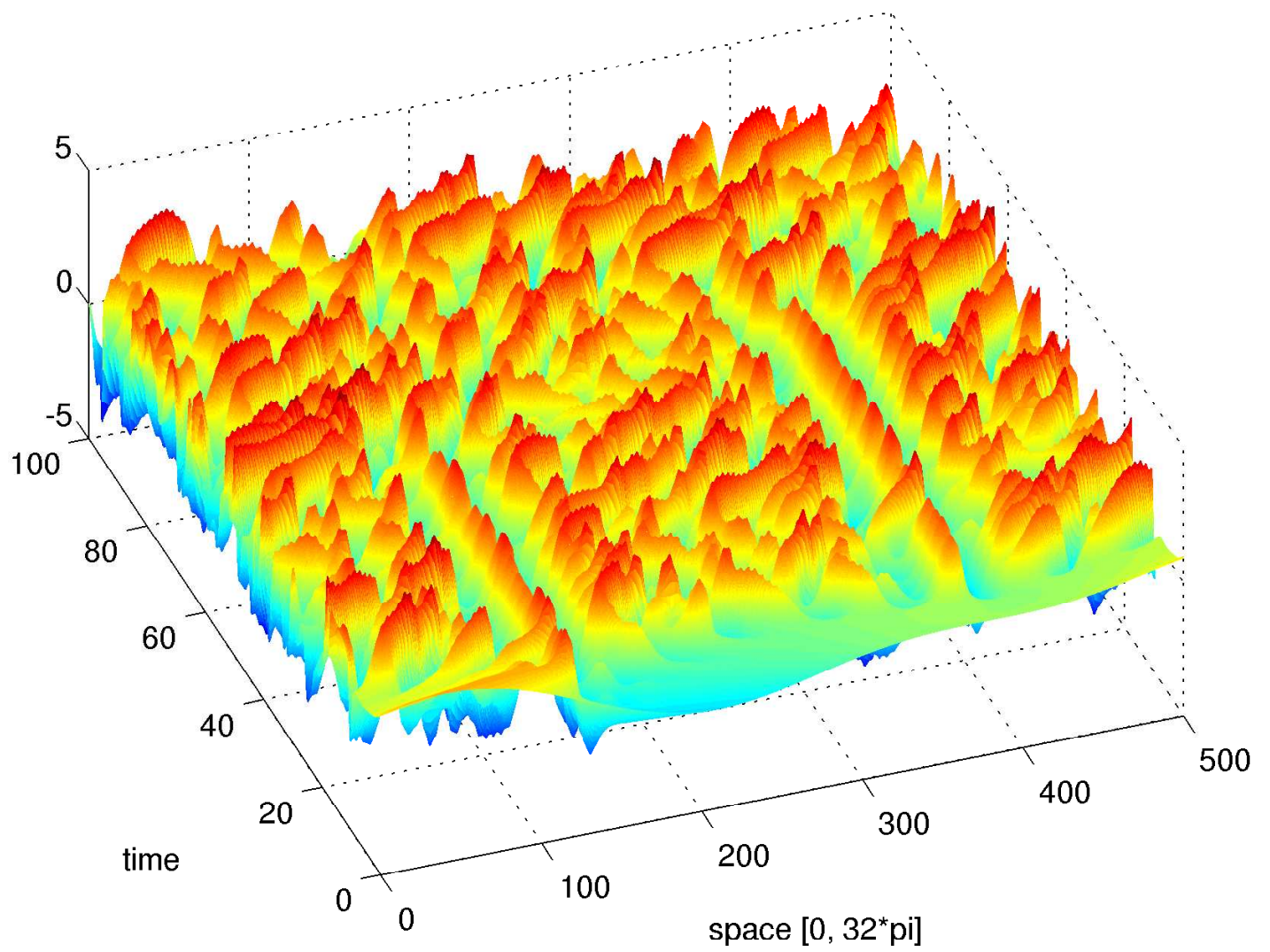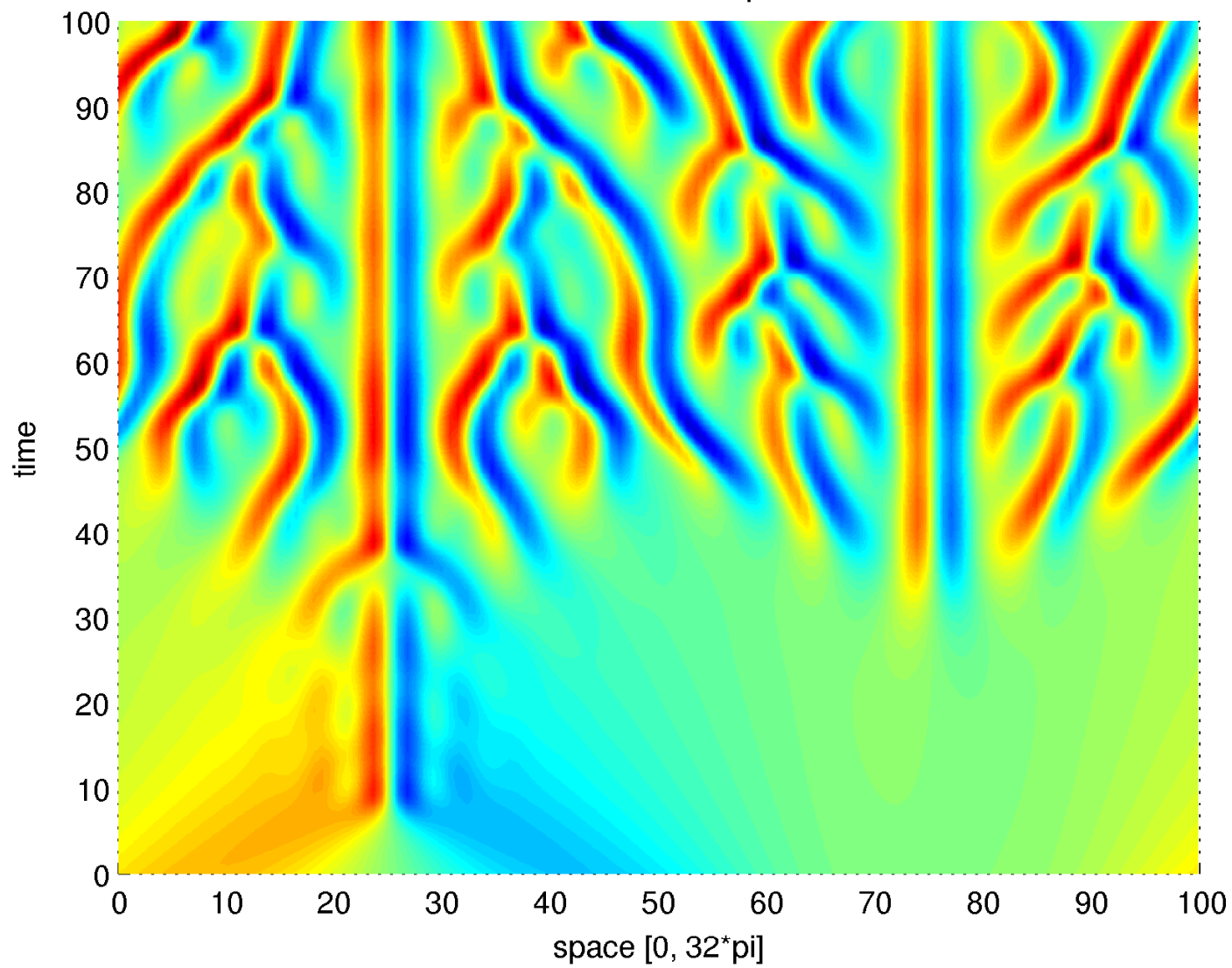Numerical solution of the KS-eq: M = 128, N = 2^{16}

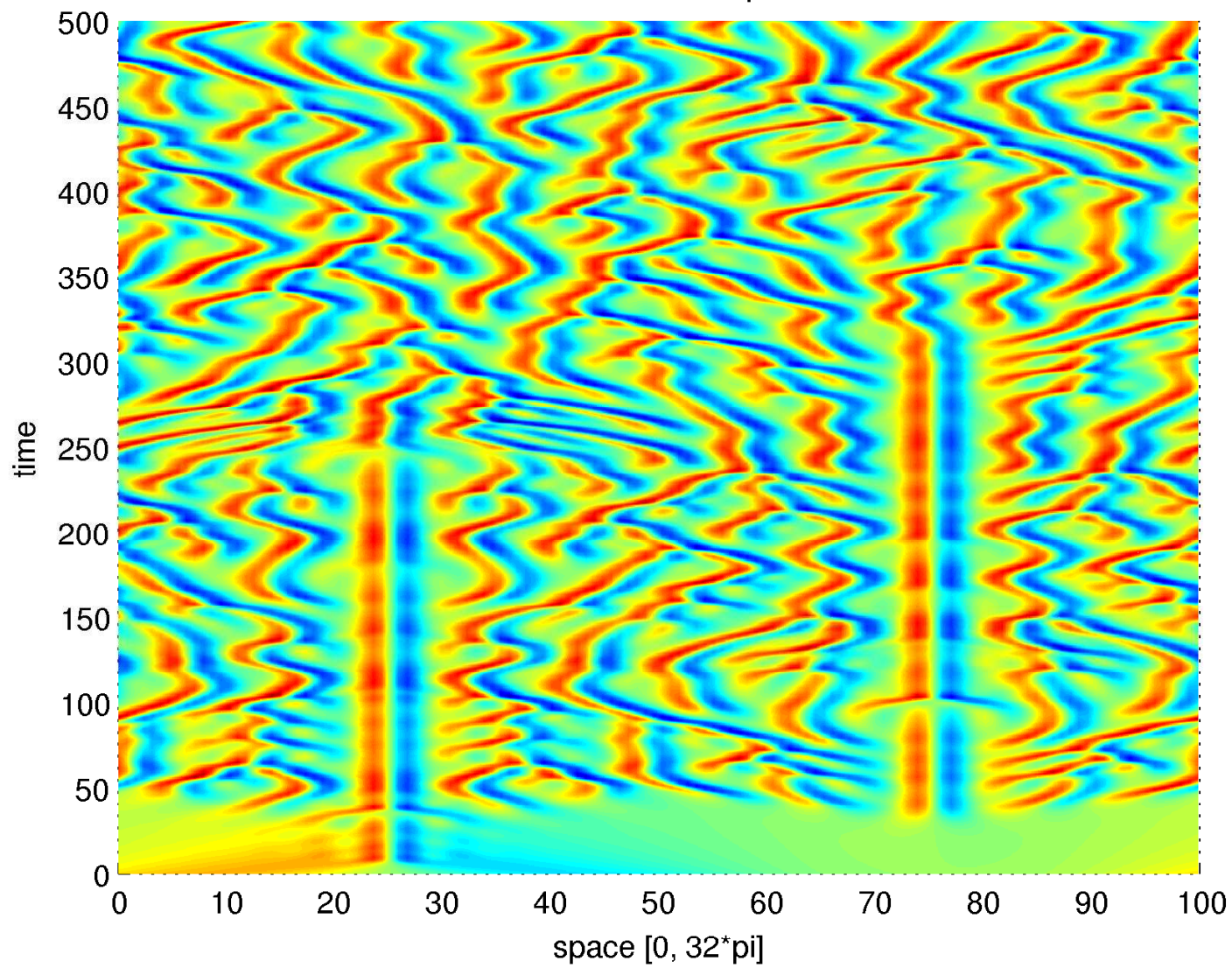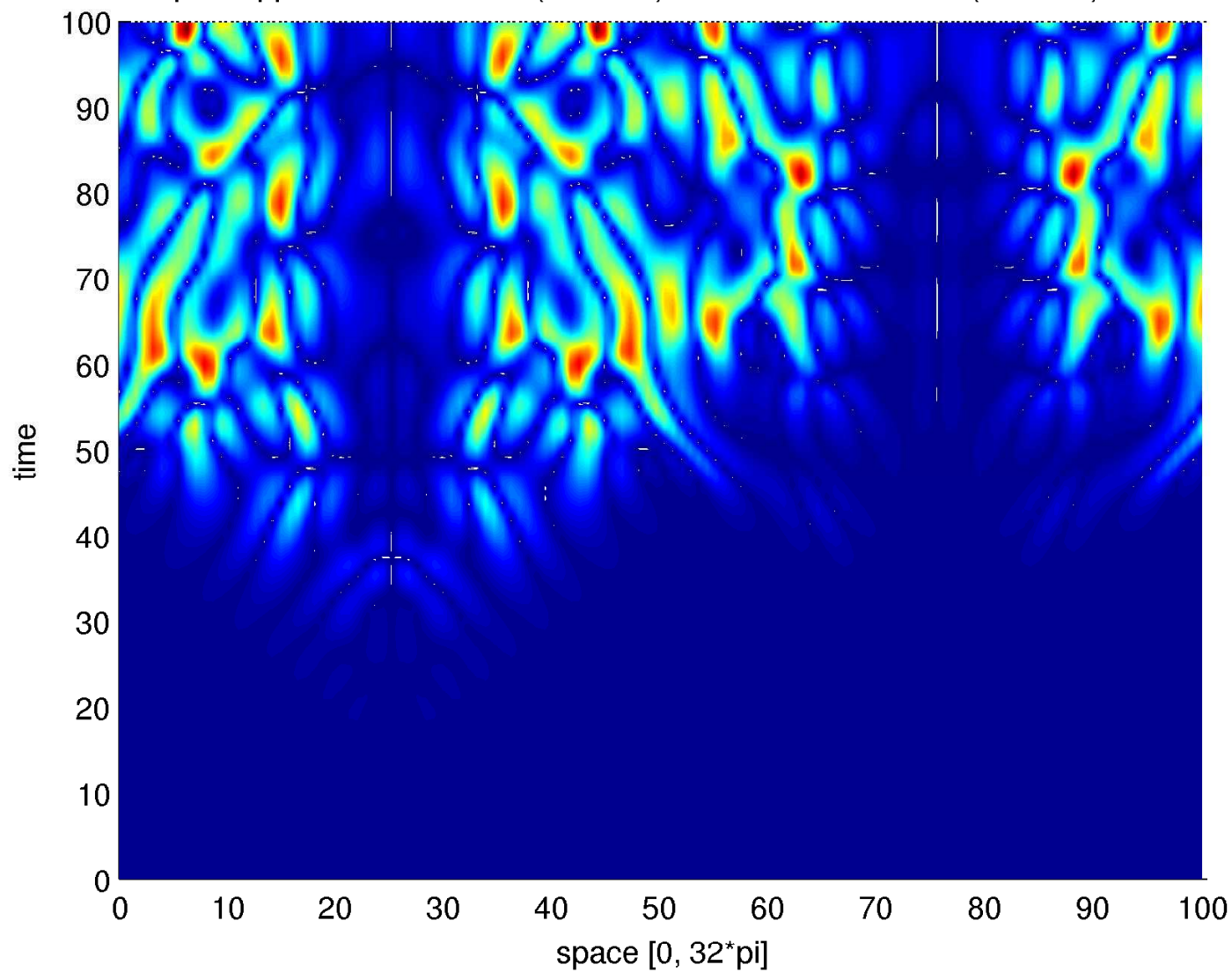Numerical solution of the KS-eq: M = 128, N = 2^{16}
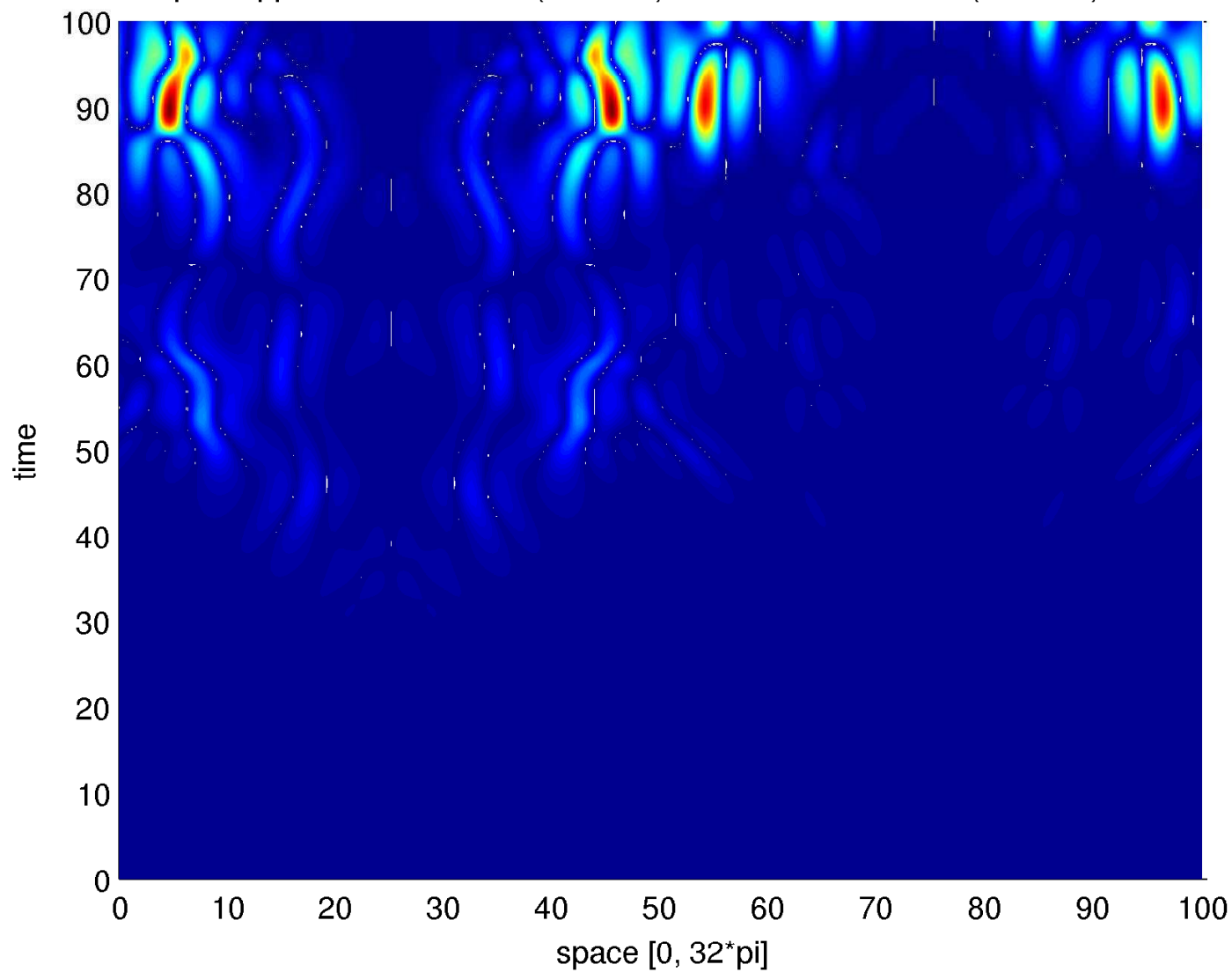
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Error plot: approximate solution (M = 128) vs reference solution (M = 512). N = 2^{18}.

Error plot: approximate solution (M = 256) vs reference solution (M = 512). N = 2^{18}.

Difference Scheme

The Kuramoto-Sivashinsky equation

$$u_t + u_{xx} + u_{xxxx} + uu_x = 0$$

$$u_t + u_{xx} + u_{xxxx} + \frac{1}{2}(u^2)_x = 0$$

Difference scheme:

$$u_t \approx \frac{\Delta u}{k} = \frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{k}$$

$$u_{xx} \approx \frac{\delta^2 u}{h^2} = \frac{u_{m+1} - 2u_m + u_{m-1}}{h^2} = \frac{1}{h^2} A u$$

$$u_{xxxx} \approx \frac{\delta^4 u}{h^4} = \frac{u_{m+2} - 4u_{m+1} + 6u_m - 4u_{m-1} + u_{m-2}}{h^4} = \frac{1}{h^4} A A u$$

$$(u^2)_x \approx \frac{\mu \delta u^2}{h} = \frac{(u_{m+1})^2 - (u_{m-1})^2}{2h} = \frac{1}{2h} D$$

$$U^{n+1} = U^n - \frac{k}{h^2} A U^n - \frac{k}{h^4} A A U^n - \frac{k}{4h} D(U^n \odot U^n)$$

$$\odot = \text{Element-wise multiplication}$$

Consistency

$$u_t = \frac{\Delta u}{k} + O(k)$$

$$u_{xx} = \frac{\delta^2 u}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$

$$u_{xxxx} = \frac{\delta^4 u}{h^4} + O(h^2)$$

$$\mu\delta[u(x)^2] = \mu[u(x + \frac{h}{2}) - u(x - \frac{h}{2})^2]$$

$$= 2huu_x + O(h^3)$$

$$uu_x = \frac{\mu\delta u^2}{4h} + O(h^2)$$

Local Truncation Error

$$\tau^n = O(h^2) + O(k) \xrightarrow{k,h \to 0} 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Consistent}$$

Stability

Stability analysis of the KS-equation

Von Neumann stability analysis on a linearized version.

$\frac{1}{2}(u^2)_x \approx \frac{1}{2}(\rho(x)u)_x$. $\rho(x) = U^0$ is the initial condition
$f(x, 0)$. $U_m^n = \xi^n e^{i\beta x_m}$
$U_m^0 = \xi^0 e^{i\beta x_m} = e^{i\beta x_m}$.

Implicit scheme:

$$\left(I + \frac{k}{h^2}A + \frac{k}{h^4}A^2\right)U^{n+1} = \left(I - \frac{k}{h^2}A - \frac{k}{h^4}A^2 - \frac{k}{4h}DR\right)U^n$$

$$|\xi|^2 \leq \left(\frac{1 + rh^4/8}{1 - rh^4/8}\right)^2 + k\frac{rh^2}{4}$$

Not stable unless $r = 0$.

Explicit scheme:

$$U^{n+1} = \left(I - \frac{k}{h^2}A - \frac{k}{h^4}A^2 - \frac{k}{4h}DR\right)U^n$$

$$|\xi|^2 = \left(1 + 4rh^2\sin^2\left(\frac{\beta h}{2}\right) - 16r\sin^4\left(\frac{\beta h}{2}\right)\right)^2 + k\left(\frac{rh^2}{4}\sin^2(2\beta h)\right)$$

For the case $(1 \leq 16r\alpha \leq 2)$ where $\alpha = \sin^2(\frac{\beta h}{2})$

$$\left|1 + 4rh^2\alpha - 16r\alpha^2\right| \leq 1 \underset{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1}{\Longrightarrow} (1/16 \leq r \leq 1/8)$$

Assuming $(1 \leq 16rq^2 \leq 2)$ and $r = 1/8$,

$$|\xi|^2 \leq \left(1 + \frac{4}{8}\alpha h^2 - \frac{16}{8}\alpha^2\right)^2 + k\frac{h^2}{4 \cdot 8}\sin(2\beta h)$$

$$\leq \left(1 + \frac{h^4}{32}\right)^2 + k\frac{h^2}{32} \qquad\qquad (\alpha = \frac{h^2}{8})$$

Not stable, which was expected. But parallels can be drawn to the nonlinear scheme, which numerically gives an upper bound of
$$r = k/h^4 = 1/8.$$