

## Lecture 5

# Discretization & Numerical Differentiation

역학을 다루려면 미분이란 개념이 반드시 필요!  
미분에 대한 정의가 필요하다

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# 1. Discretization methods

- **Basic concept**

→ **Approximation** of derivatives

$$\frac{d}{dx}u(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow \text{😊}} \frac{u(x+h) - u(x)}{h} \sim \frac{u(x+h) - u(x)}{h} + O(h)$$

→ **Approximation** of functions    Weighted sum 하면 되겠다!!

$$u(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{u_i}_{\text{이산화!}} \phi_i(x) \sim \sum_{i=0}^n u_i \phi_i(x)$$

- **Truncation error**

→ Let  $L$  be a linear operator and  $L_h$  be an approximation then,

$$\|(L_h - L)u\|_{\infty} \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i h^i$$

→ Truncation error is said to be order  $k$  if  $k$  is the smallest integer for which  $c_k \neq 0$ .

# 1. Discretization methods

- **Finite difference methods** (straightforward to apply, usually for regular grid) and **finite volumes and finite element methods** (usually for irregular meshes)
- Each type of methods above yields the same solution if the grid is fine enough. However, some methods are more suitable to some cases than others
- Finite difference methods for **spatial derivatives** with different order of accuracies can be derived using Taylor expansions, such as 2nd order upwind scheme, central differences schemes, etc.  
2차 정확도 까진 보장되어야 한다.  
이유는 2차 가공 시 error를 줄이기 위해서
- Higher order numerical methods usually predict higher order of accuracy for CFD, but more likely unstable due to less numerical dissipation
- **Temporal derivatives** can be integrated either by the **explicit** method (Euler, Runge-Kutta, etc.) or **implicit** method (e.g., Beam-Warming method)

# 1. Discretization methods

- **Explicit methods** can be easily applied but yield conditionally stable Finite Difference Equations (FDEs), which are restricted by the time step; **Implicit methods** are unconditionally stable, but need efforts on efficiency. 공간에선 사용하지 않음, 시간에서 고려함
- Usually, higher-order temporal discretization is used when the spatial discretization is also of higher order.
- **Stability:** A discretization method is said to be stable if it does not magnify the errors that appear in the course of numerical solution process.
- **Pre-conditioning** method is used when the matrix of the linear algebraic system is ill-posed, such as multi-phase flows, flows with a broad range of Mach numbers, etc.
- **Selection of discretization methods** should consider **efficiency, accuracy** and special requirements, such as shock wave tracking.

# 1. Discretization methods

- 2D incompressible laminar flow boundary layer

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{\rho} \right) + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{u_m^l}{\Delta x} [u_m^l - u_{m-1}^l]$$

$$v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{v_m^l}{\Delta y} [u_{m+1}^l - u_m^l]$$

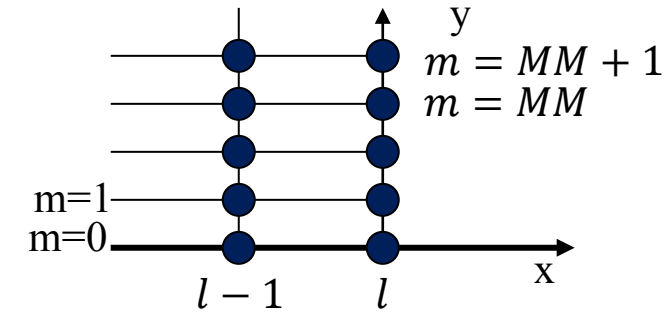
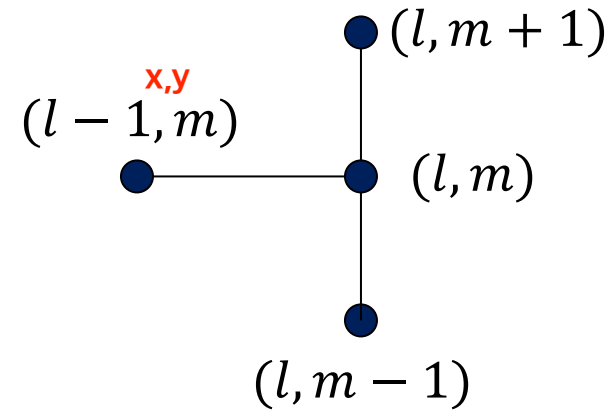
$$= \frac{v_m^l}{\Delta y} [u_m^l - u_{m-1}^l]$$

$$\mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\mu}{\Delta y^2} [u_{m+1}^l - 2u_m^l + u_{m-1}^l]$$

FD  $\text{Sign}(v_m^l) < 0$

BD  $\text{Sign}(v_m^l) > 0$

1<sup>st</sup> order upwind scheme, i.e., theoretical order of accuracy  $P_{\text{kst}} = 1$



2<sup>nd</sup> order central difference  
i.e., theoretical order of accuracy  
 $P_{\text{kst}} = 2$ .

바람에 따라 정보량이 달라짐

예) 왼쪽 -> 오른쪽 or 오른쪽 -> 왼쪽

# 1. Discretization methods

$$\overset{B_2}{\left[ \frac{u_m^l}{\Delta x} + v_m^l \frac{-\frac{1}{\Delta y} FD}{\frac{1}{\Delta y} BD} - \frac{2\mu}{\Delta y^2} \right]} u_m^l + \overset{B_3}{\left[ \frac{\mu}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{v_m^l}{\Delta y} FD \right]} u_{m+1}^l + \overset{B_1}{\left[ \frac{\mu}{\Delta y^2} - \frac{v_m^l}{\Delta y} BD \right]} u_{m-1}^l = \overset{B_4}{\frac{u_m^l}{\Delta x} u_m^{l-1}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (p/e)_m^l$$

$$B_1 u_{m-1}^l + B_2 u_m^l + B_3 u_{m+1}^l = B_4 u_m^{l-1} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (p/e)_m^l$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_2 & B_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ B_1 & B_2 & B_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & B_1 & B_2 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} u_1^l \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ u_{mm}^l \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_4 u_1^{l-1} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{e} \right)_1^l \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \\ B_4 u_{mm}^{l-1} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{e} \right)_{mm}^l \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solve it using Thomas algorithm**

**To be stable, Matrix has to be Diagonally dominant.**

## 2. Numerical Differentiation – Finite Difference

- **Basic Ideas**

- Construction of Difference Formulas Using Taylor Series

→ The derivative of  $f(x)$  at the point  $x_j$

$$f(x_{j+1}) = f(x_j) + (x_{j+1} - x_j)f'(x_j) + \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_j)^2}{2}f''(x_j) + \dots$$

→ We want to calculate  $f'(x)$  so that,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x_j) &= \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{x_{j+1} - x_j} - \frac{(x_{j+1} - x_j)}{2}f''(x_j) + \dots \\ &= \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{\Delta x_j} - \frac{\Delta x_j}{2}f''(x_j) + \dots = \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{\Delta x_j} + O(\Delta x_j) \end{aligned}$$

leading error

f''이 finite 하기만 하다면  
뒤에는 무시 가능  
h를 무한히 줄일 수 있으니까.  
그래서 leading error라고 함

→ Where  $\Delta x_j = x_{j+1} - x_j$  is the mesh size

## 2. Numerical Differentiation – Finite Difference

- **Difference formulas and order of error**

- first-order difference

→ Let  $h$  be the uniform mesh size(spacing) and  $f(x_j) = f_j$ , then,

✓ The first-order *forward difference* with the **first-order truncation error** formular

$$f'_j = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_j}{h} + O(h) \quad \text{1차 정확도에 대한 error}$$

✓ The first-order *backward difference* with the *first-order truncation error* formular

$$f'_j = \frac{f_j - f_{j-1}}{h} + O(h)$$

✓ The first-order *central difference* with the *second-order truncation error* formular

$$\begin{aligned} f_{j+1} &= f_j + hf'_j + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''_j + \frac{h^3}{3!} f_j^{(3)} + \dots \\ f_{j-1} &= f_j - hf'_j + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''_j - \frac{h^3}{3!} f_j^{(3)} + \dots \\ f'_j &= \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{3!} f_j^{(3)} + \dots = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h} + O(h^2) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{2차 정확도에 대한 error} \\ \\ \text{Ocsillation이 있어} \\ \text{(disversion error가 많음)} \end{array}$$



## 2. Numerical Differentiation – Finite Difference

- **Difference formulas and order of error**

→ Then, how can we construct the *fourth-order truncation error* for the first-order difference formula? (DIY)

$$f'_j = \frac{f_{j+2} - 8f_{j+1} + 8f_{j-1} - f_{j-2}}{12h} + O(h^4)$$

- Second-order central difference

$$f''_j = \frac{f'_{j+1} - f'_{j-1}}{h} + O(h^2) = \left[ \frac{f_{j+1} - f_j}{h} - \frac{f_j - f_{j-1}}{h} \right] / h + O(h^2) = \frac{f_{j+1} - 2f_j + f_{j-1}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$

$$f''_j \sim \frac{f_{j+1} - 2f_j + f_{j-1}}{h^2}$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Taylor Series Expansion)

- Richardson's extrapolation

→ To construct the most accurate difference scheme for the first-order that involves the functional values at points  $j$ ,  $j + 1$ , and  $j + 2$ .

✓ The desired finite difference formula can be written as

$$f_j' + \sum_{k=0}^2 a_k f_{j+k} = O(?)$$

TAYLOR TABLE

	$f_j$	$f_j'$	$f_j''$	$f_j'''$
$f_j'$	0	1	0	0
$a_0 f_j$	$a_0$	0	0	0
$a_1 f_{j+1}$	$a_1$	$a_1 h$	$a_1 \frac{h^2}{2}$	$a_1 \frac{h^3}{6}$
$a_2 f_{j+2}$	$a_2$	$2ha_2$	$a_2 \frac{(2h)^2}{2}$	$a_2 \frac{(2h)^3}{6}$

$$f_{j+1} = f_j + hf'_j + \frac{h^2}{2}f''_j + \frac{h^3}{6}f'''_j + \dots \downarrow$$

$$f_{j+2} = f_j + 2hf'_j + \frac{(2h)^2}{2}f''_j + \frac{(2h)^3}{6}f'''_j + \dots \downarrow$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes

(feat. Taylor Series Expansion)

- Richardson's extrapolation

$$a_0 f_j + a_1 f_{j+1} + a_2 f_{j+2} = a_0 f_j + \left( a_1 f_j + a_1 h f_j' + a_1 \frac{h^2}{2!} f_j'' + \dots \right) + \left( a_2 f_j + a_2 (2h) f_j' + a_2 \frac{(2h)^2}{2!} f_j'' + \dots \right)$$
$$f_j' + \sum_{k=0}^2 a_k f_{j+k} = (a_0 + a_1 + a_2) f_j + (1 + a_1 h + 2h a_2) f_j' + \left( a_1 \frac{h^2}{2!} + a_2 \frac{(2h)^2}{2!} \right) f_j'' + \left( a_1 \frac{h^3}{3!} + a_2 \frac{(2h)^3}{3!} \right) f_j^{(3)} + \dots$$

→ Three unknowns with three equations,

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1 + a_2 &= 0 \\ a_1 h + 2h a_2 &= -1 \\ a_1 \frac{h^2}{2} + 2a_2 h^2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
$$a_0 = \frac{3}{2h}, \quad a_1 = -\frac{2}{h}, \quad a_2 = \frac{1}{2h}$$

→ Forward second-order scheme for the first derivative

$$f_j' = \frac{-3f_j + 4f_{j+1} - f_{j+2}}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

매초에 함숫값이 정확도가 떨어지면,  
결과도 정확도가 떨어짐

$$f_{j-1} = f_j - hf_j' + \frac{h}{2}f_j'' - \frac{h}{6}f_j''' + \dots \leftarrow$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

### • General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes (feat. Taylor Series Expansion)

- Padé Approximation 차수가 높아 질 수록, 정보가 많이 필요하니까 한 점을 기준으로 systematic 하게 구해보자! 라는 관점

$$f'_j + a_0 f_j + a_1 f_{j+1} + a_2 f_{j-1} + a_3 f'_{j+1} + a_4 f'_{j-1} = O(?)$$

TAYLOR TABLE FOR A PADÉ SCHEME

	$f_j$	$f'_j$	$f''_j$	$f'''_j$	$f^{(iv)}_j$	$f^{(v)}_j$
$f'_j$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$a_0 f_j$	$a_0$	0	0	0	0	0
$a_1 f_{j+1}$	$a_1$	$a_1 h$	$a_1 \frac{h^2}{2}$	$a_1 \frac{h^3}{6}$	$a_1 \frac{h^4}{24}$	$a_1 \frac{h^5}{120}$
$a_2 f_{j-1}$	$a_2$	$-a_2 h$	$a_2 \frac{h^2}{2}$	$-a_2 \frac{h^3}{6}$	$a_2 \frac{h^4}{24}$	$-a_2 \frac{h^5}{120}$
$a_3 f'_{j+1}$	0	$a_3$	$a_3 h$	$a_3 \frac{h^2}{2}$	$a_3 \frac{h^3}{6}$	$a_3 \frac{h^4}{24}$
$a_4 f'_{j-1}$	0	$a_4$	$-a_4 h$	$a_4 \frac{h^2}{2}$	$-a_4 \frac{h^3}{6}$	$a_4 \frac{h^4}{24}$

$$\begin{cases} a_0 + a_1 + a_2 = 0 \\ a_1 h - a_2 h + a_3 + a_4 = -1 \\ a_1 \frac{h^2}{2} + a_2 \frac{h^2}{2} + a_3 h + a_4 h = 0 \\ a_1 \frac{h}{3} - a_2 \frac{h}{3} + a_3 + a_4 = 0 \\ a_1 \frac{h}{4} + a_2 \frac{h}{4} + a_3 - a_4 = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$a_0 = 0, \quad a_1 = -\frac{3}{4h}, \quad a_2 = \frac{3}{4h}, \quad a_3 = a_4 = \frac{1}{4}$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Taylor Series Expansion)

- Padé Approximation

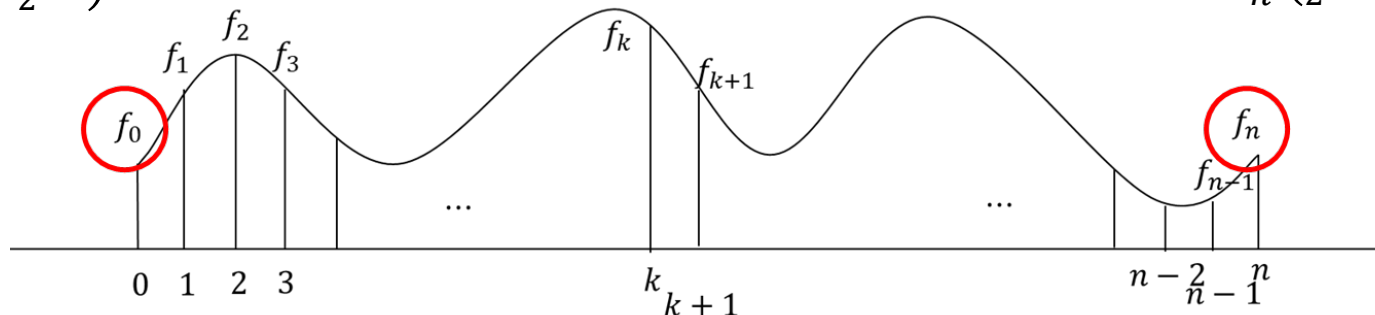
$$f'_{j+1} + f'_{j-1} + 4f'_j = \frac{3}{h}(f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}) + \frac{h^4}{30}f_j^{(5)} + \dots = \frac{3}{h}(f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}) + O(h^4)$$

→ **System of equations**

→ Special treatment is required near the boundaries, lower order one-sided difference formulas are used to approximate  $f'_0$  and  $f'_n$ . (DIY, Derive it yourself)

$$f'_0 + 2f'_1 = \frac{1}{h}\left(-\frac{5}{2}f_0 + 2f_1 + \frac{1}{2}f_2\right) + O(h^3)$$

$$f'_n + 2f'_{n-1} = \frac{1}{h}\left(\frac{5}{2}f_n - f_{n-1} - \frac{1}{2}f_{n-2}\right) + O(h^3)$$



## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Taylor Series Expansion)

- **Padé Approximation** TDMA

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f'_0 \\ f'_1 \\ f'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ f'_{n-1} \\ f'_n \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{2}f_0 + 2f_1 + \frac{1}{2}f_2 \\ 3(f_2 - f_0) \\ 3(f_3 - f_1) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 3(f_n - f_{n-2}) \\ \frac{5}{2}f_n - 2f_{n-1} - \frac{1}{2}f_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

→ For the three-point central stencil the following fourth-order truncation error formula

$$\frac{1}{12}f''_{i-1} + \frac{10}{12}f_i + \frac{1}{12}f''_{i+1} = \frac{(f_{i+1} - 2f_i + f_{i-1}))}{h^2}$$



## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Lagrange Interpolation)

- Recall, the basic concepts of discretization methods are

➔ **Approximation** of derivatives

$$\frac{d}{dx}u(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x+h) - u(x)}{h} \sim \frac{u(x+h) - u(x)}{h}$$

➔ **Approximation** of functions

$$u(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} u_i \phi_i(x) \sim \sum_{i=0}^n u_i \phi_i(x)$$

- We could take an approach using the interpolation methods with the interpolation error

(The concepts of interpolation will be dealt with the next lecture.)

$$f(x) = p(x) + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{n+1}(\xi_x) \omega(x), \quad \text{where } \omega(x) = \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i)$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Lagrange Interpolation )

→ The derivative of  $\omega$  is given by,

$$\omega'(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n (x - x_j) \Rightarrow \omega'(x_k) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq k}}^n (x_k - x_j)$$

→ Since  $\omega(x_k) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x_k) &= p'(x_k) + 0 + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x) \omega'(x_k) \\ &= p'(x_k) + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x) \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq k}}^n (x_k - x_j) \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **General Technique for Construction of Finite Difference Schemes**

(feat. Lagrange Interpolation )

- Let consider the Lagrange interpolation (in other words, the approximations based on Lagrange basis) for  $n$  discretization ( $n + 1$  points) on  $[a, b]$ .

$$l_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$f'(x_k) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) l'_i(x_i) + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x) \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq k}}^n (x_k - x_j)$$

함수를 모두 polynomial 입장으로 풀고 있다!

- If  $n = 2$ , then the values of derivatives at point  $x_1$  is

$$f'(x_1) = f(x_0) \frac{x_1 - x_2}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)} + f(x_1) \frac{2x_1 - x_0 - x_2}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)} + f(x_2) \frac{x_1 - x_0}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)} + E(\xi_x)$$

➔ Let consider the uniform mesh spacing with  $h$ , then,

$$f'(x_1) = -\frac{1}{3h} f(x_0) - \frac{1}{h} f(x_1) + \frac{4}{3h} f(x_2) + O(h^2)$$

$$y - y_0 = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} (x - x_0) \leftarrow$$

←

$\frac{y-y_0}{y_1-y_0} = \frac{x-x_0}{x_1-x_0}$  를 이용해서 cardinality function (Lagrange basis)를 만들 수 있음↓

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- Alternative Measure for the Accuracy of Finite Differences

(feat. **Fourier Series Expansion**) sin, cos으로 basis 잡는 것

- The modified wavenumber approach

→ Arbitrary periodic functions can be decomposed into their Fourier components

→ Consider a pure harmonic function of period  $L$ ,

$$f(x) = c_k e^{ikx}, \quad \text{where } k \text{ is the wavenumber (or frequency)}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{L}n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N/2$$

→ The exact derivative is  $f' = ikc_k f$

→ Let us discretize a portion of the  $x$  axis of length  $L$  with a uniform mesh, and  $h = L/N$  is the mesh size

$$x_j = \frac{L}{N}j = hj, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

$$\left. \frac{\delta f}{\delta x} \right|_j = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h} = \frac{e^{i2\pi n(j+1)/N} - e^{i2\pi n(j-1)/N}}{2h} = \frac{e^{i2\pi n/N} - e^{-i2\pi n/N}}{2h} f_j$$

$$\left. \frac{\delta f}{\delta x} \right|_j = i \frac{\sin(2\pi n/N)}{h} f_j = ik' f_j, \quad \text{where } k' = \frac{\sin(2\pi n/N)}{h}$$



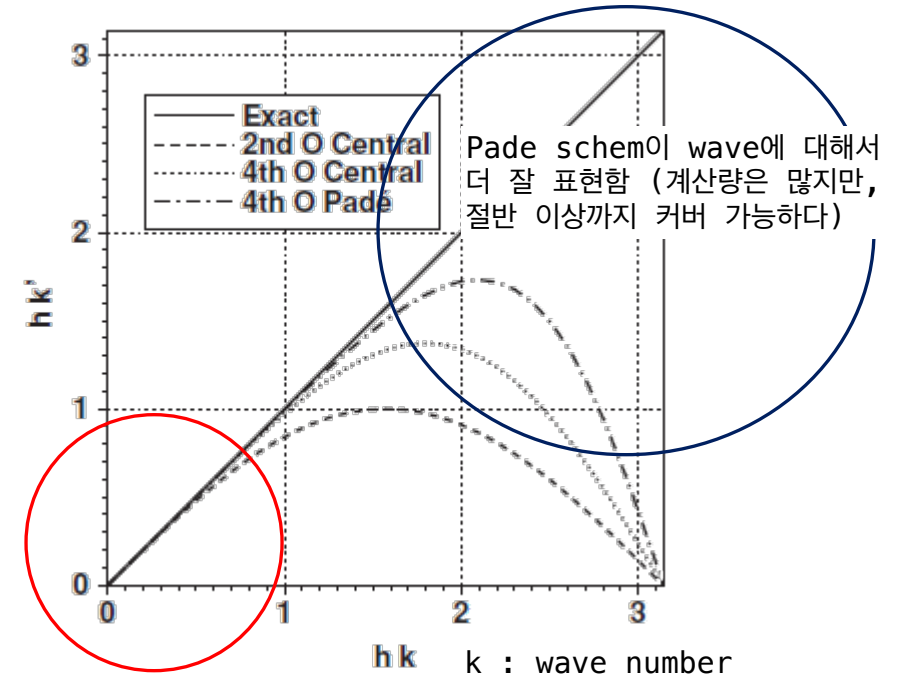
## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **Alternative Measure for the Accuracy of Finite Differences**

(feat. Fourier Series Expansion)

- The modified wavenumber approach for three finite difference schemes

- This is expected because for small values of  $k$ ,  $f$  is slowly varying and the finite difference scheme is sufficiently accurate for numerical differentiation.
- For higher value of  $k$ , however,  $f$  varies rapidly in the domain, and the finite difference scheme provides a poor approximation for its derivative.



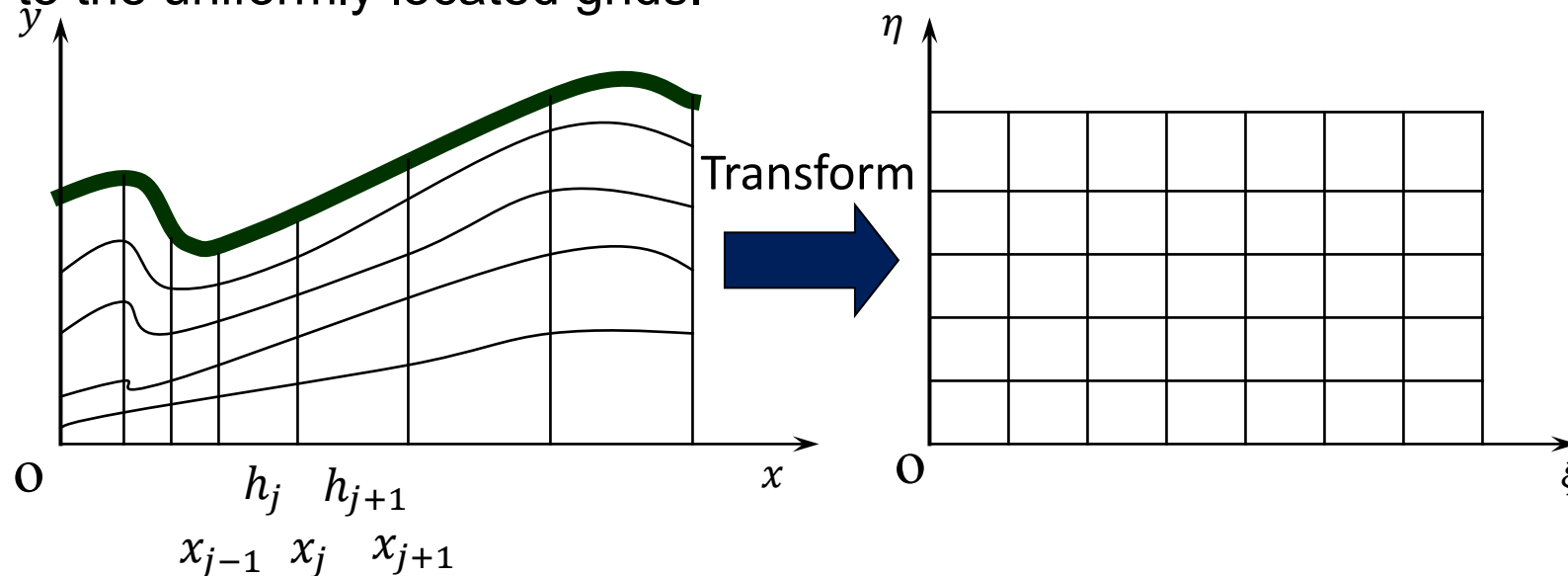
## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **Non-uniform grids**

- Strictly a first-order approximation whereas its counterpart on a uniform mesh is second-order accurate.

$$f'_j = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{x_{j+1} - x_{j-1}} = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{h_{j+1} + h_j} + O(h^2)$$
$$f''_j = 2 \left[ \frac{f_{j-1}}{h_j(h_j + h_{j+1})} - \frac{f_j}{h_j h_{j+1}} + \frac{f_{j+1}}{h_{j+1}(h_j + h_{j+1})} \right] + O(h^2)$$

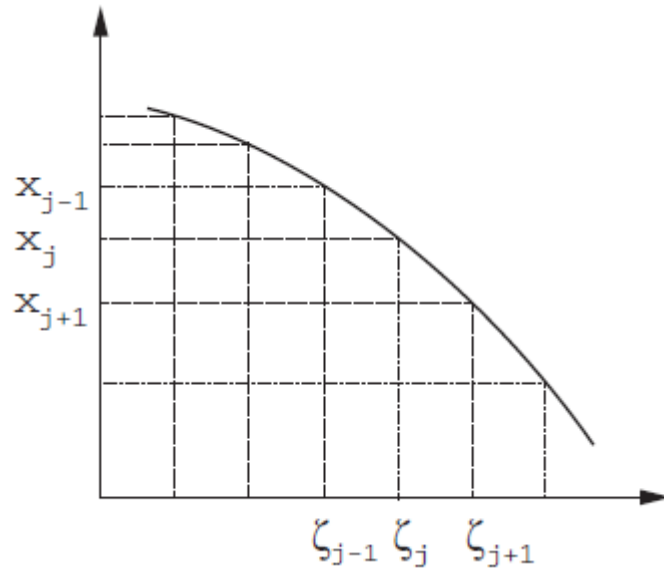
- Transformation to the uniformly located grids.



## 2. Numerical Differentiation

- **Non-uniform grids**

→ Uniform mesh spacing in  $\zeta$  corresponds to non-uniform mesh spacing in  $x$ .



$$\zeta = g(x)$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d\zeta}{dx} \frac{df}{d\zeta} = g' \frac{df}{d\zeta}$$

$$\frac{d^2f}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ g' \frac{df}{d\zeta} \right] = g'' \frac{df}{d\zeta} + (g')^2 \frac{d^2f}{d\zeta^2}$$

- Finite difference approximation for uniform meshes are then used to approximate  $\frac{df}{d\zeta}$  and  $\frac{d^2f}{d\zeta^2}$ .



**Q&A** *Thanks for listening*

