# NOTES

# 1-Dimensional Numerical Model of Thermal Conduction and Vapor Diffusion in the Planetary Subsurface

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# Part 1

# Conduction of Heat

originally developed by Samar Khatiwala in 2001 (including upper radiation boundary condition for semi-implicit scheme)

extended to variable thermal properties and irregular grid by Norbert Schörghofer 2002–2003

# 1.1 Governing Equation

T ... temperture, t ... time, z ... depth,  $\rho c$  ... volumetric heat capacity, k ... thermal conductivity

$$\rho c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) \tag{1.1}$$

$$F = k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z}$$
 ... heat flux

# 1.2 Semi-Implicit Scheme on Irregular Grid

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} F_j = \frac{F_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}{(z_{j+1} - z_{j-1})/2} = 2 \frac{k_{j+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{T_{j+1} - T_j}{z_{j+1} - z_j} - k_{j-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{T_j - T_{j-1}}{z_j - z_{j-1}}}{z_{j+1} - z_{j-1}}$$

$$(\rho c)_{j} \frac{\partial T_{j}}{\partial t} = \frac{2k_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}{(z_{j+1} - z_{j})(z_{j+1} - z_{j-1})} T_{j+1} - \frac{2}{z_{j+1} - z_{j-1}} \left( \frac{k_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}{z_{j+1} - z_{j}} + \frac{k_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}{z_{j} - z_{j-1}} \right) T_{j} + \frac{2k_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}{(z_{j} - z_{j-1})(z_{j+1} - z_{j-1})} T_{j-1}$$

introduce 
$$\alpha_{j} = \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_{j}} \frac{k_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}{(z_{j+1} - z_{j})(z_{j+1} - z_{j-1})}$$
 and  $\gamma_{j} = \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_{j}} \frac{k_{j-\frac{1}{2}}}{(z_{j} - z_{j-1})(z_{j+1} - z_{j-1})}$ 

$$\Delta t \frac{\partial T_{j}}{\partial t} = 2\alpha_{j} T_{j+1} - 2(\alpha_{j} + \gamma_{j}) T_{j} + 2\gamma_{j} T_{j-1}$$

$$T_j^{n+1} - T_j^n = \alpha_j T_{j+1}^{n+1} - (\alpha_j + \gamma_j) T_j^{n+1} + \gamma_j T_{j-1}^{n+1} + \alpha_j T_{j+1}^n - (\alpha_j + \gamma_j) T_j^n + \gamma_j T_{j-1}^n$$

Superscript n refers to time step. Index j refers to position  $z_j$ . The conductivity k is defined on half-points. In the program,  $2(\rho c)_j = (\rho c)_{j+\frac{1}{2}} + (\rho c)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}$ . In this way, the parameters k and  $\rho c$  do not need to be defined at an interface of two layers with different thermal properties. Since indices in the program must be integers, we choose  $k(j) = k_{j-\frac{1}{2}}$  and the same for  $\rho c$ .

#### 1.2.1 Upper boundary condition:

#### a) Radiation

$$Q + k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = \epsilon \sigma T^4 \Big|_{z=0} \tag{1.2}$$

Q is the incoming solar flux including the atmospheric contribution. introduce auxiliary quantity  $T_0$ , such that surface temperature  $T_s = (T_0 + T_1)/2$ 

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z}\Big|_{z=0} = \frac{T_1 - T_0}{\Delta z}$$
 and  $T^4\Big|_{z=0} = \left(\frac{T_0 + T_1}{2}\right)^4$  with  $\Delta z = 2z_1$ 

 $T = T_r + T'$   $T_r$  is a reference temperature around which we linearize

$$Q + k_{1/2} \frac{T_1 - T_0}{\Delta z} = \epsilon \sigma \left( \frac{2T_r + T_0' + T_1'}{2} \right)^4$$

$$\approx \epsilon \sigma T_r^4 + 2\epsilon \sigma T_r^3 (T_0' + T_1')$$

$$= -3\epsilon \sigma T_r^4 + 2\epsilon \sigma T_r^3 (T_0 + T_1)$$

$$T_0\left(\frac{k_{1/2}}{\Delta z} + B(T_r)\right) = Q + 3\epsilon\sigma T_r^4 + T_1\left(\frac{k_{1/2}}{\Delta z} - B(T_r)\right) \text{ where } B(T_r) = 2\epsilon\sigma T_r^3$$
 introduce  $a = (Q + 3\epsilon\sigma T_r^4)/(\frac{k}{\Delta z} + B)$  and  $b = (\frac{k_{1/2}}{\Delta z} - B)/(\frac{k_{1/2}}{\Delta z} + B)$ 

$$-\alpha_1 T_2^{n+1} + (1 + \alpha_1 + \gamma_1 - \gamma_1 b^n) T_1^{n+1} = \alpha_1 T_2^n + (1 - \alpha_1 - \gamma_1 + \gamma_1 b^n) T_1^n + \gamma_1 \frac{Q^n + Q^{n+1} + 6\epsilon\sigma T_r^4}{\frac{k_{1/2}}{\Delta_r} + B^n}$$

choose 
$$\Delta z=z_2-z_1=2z_1$$
, define  $\beta=\frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_1}\frac{1}{2\Delta z^2}$ , then  $\alpha_1=\beta k_{3/2}$  and  $\gamma_1=\beta k_{1/2}$ 

surface temperature 
$$T_s = \frac{1}{2}(T_1 + T_0) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{Q + 3\epsilon\sigma T_r^4}{k_{1/2}/\Delta z + B} + T_1 + bT_1\right) = \frac{Q + 3\epsilon\sigma T_r^4 + \frac{2k}{\Delta z}T_1}{2(k_{1/2}/\Delta z + B)}$$

choose  $T_r^n = T_s^{n-1}$  implemented in conductionQ.f

#### b) prescribed T

standard formulas (??,??) with  $T_0 = T_s$  and  $z_0 = 0$ 

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_1} \frac{k_{3/2}}{(z_2 - z_1)z_2}, \qquad \gamma_1 = \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_1} \frac{k_{1/2}}{z_1 z_2}$$

$$-\alpha_1 T_2^{n+1} + (1 + \alpha_1 + \gamma_1) T_1^{n+1} = \alpha_1 T_2^n + (1 - \alpha_1 - \gamma_1) T_1^n + \gamma_1 (T_s^n + T_s^{n+1})$$

implemented in conductionT.f

#### 1.2.2 Lower boundary condition:

(assume  $z_{N+1} - z_N = z_N - z_{N-1}$ ) say, no heat flux:  $F_{N+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \implies k_{N+\frac{1}{2}}(T_{N+1} - T_N) = 0 \implies T_{N+1} = T_N$  $(1 + \gamma_N)T_N^{n+1} - \gamma_N T_{N-1}^{n+1} = (1 - \gamma_N)T_N^n + \gamma_N T_{N-1}^n$ 

$$\gamma_N = \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_N} \frac{k_{N-\frac{1}{2}}}{2(z_N - z_{N-1})^2}$$

Or geothermal heating:  $F_{N+\frac{1}{2}} = F_{\text{geothermal}} \implies k_{N+\frac{1}{2}}(T_{N+1} - T_N) = \Delta z F_{\text{geothermal}}$ 

$$(1 + \gamma_N)T_N^{n+1} - \gamma_N T_{N-1}^{n+1} = (1 - \gamma_N)T_N^n + \gamma_N T_{N-1}^n + \frac{\Delta t}{(\rho c)_N} \frac{F_{\text{geothermal}}}{\Delta z}$$

### 1.3 With Frost Cover

Add latent heat of CO<sub>2</sub> sublimation

$$Q + k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right|_{z=0} = \epsilon \sigma T^4 \Big|_{z=0} + L \frac{dm_{\text{CO}_2}}{dt}$$
 (1.3)

call conductionQ if  $T_s$  is above CO<sub>2</sub> frost point or if  $m_{\text{CO}_2} = 0$ ; call conductionT if  $T_s$  is below CO<sub>2</sub> frost point or if  $m_{\text{CO}_2} > 0$ ; calculate energy difference and add CO<sub>2</sub> mass; adjust surface albedo; repeat this at every call

# 1.4 Influence of Ice on Thermal Conductivity

(This is only one possible parametrization. In retrospective, it agrees well with the laboratory measurements by Siegler et al., J. Geophs. Res. (2012).)

$$\rho c = (1 - \epsilon) \rho_{\text{regolith}} c_{\text{regolith}} + \epsilon f \rho_{\text{ice}} c_{\text{ice}}$$

$$k = (1 - \epsilon) k_{\text{regolith}} + \epsilon f k_{\text{ice}} + (1 - f) \epsilon k_{\text{air}}$$

 $\rho$  ... density; c ... heat capacity; k ... thermal conductivity

 $\epsilon$  ... porosity (void space / total volume)

f ... ice filling fraction ( $f = \rho_f/\rho_{\rm ice}, \, \rho_f$  =density of free ice)

$$\rho_{\rm obs}c_{\rm obs} = (1 - \epsilon)\rho_{\rm regolith}c_{\rm regolith}$$
$$k_{\rm obs} = (1 - \epsilon)k_{\rm regolith} \quad \text{if} \quad k_{\rm air} = 0$$

$$\rho c = \epsilon f \rho_{\rm ice} c_{\rm ice} + \rho_{\rm obs} c_{\rm obs} \qquad I = \sqrt{\rho c \left(\epsilon f k_{\rm ice} + I_{\rm obs}^2 / (\rho_{\rm obs} c_{\rm obs})\right)}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} c_{\rm obs} \approx 800~{\rm J/(kg~K)},\, c_{\rm ice} \approx 2000~{\rm J/(kg~K)},\, \rho_{\rm ice} \approx 926~{\rm kg/m^3},\, k_{\rm ice} \approx 2.4~{\rm W/(m~K)} \\ \Rightarrow \quad I_{\rm ice} = \sqrt{k_{\rm ice}\rho_{\rm ice}c_{\rm ice}} \approx 2100,\, {\rm in~SI~units} \\ {\rm at~around~200~Kelvin:}\ \, c_{\rm ice} = 1540~{\rm J/(kg~K)},\, \rho_{\rm ice} = 927~{\rm kg/m^3},\, k_{\rm ice} = 3.2~{\rm W/(m~K)} \\ {\rm See~Winter~\&~Saari~(1969)~for~heat~capacity~of~silicates~as~a~function~of~temperature.} \\ {\rm See~Handbook~of~Chemistry~and~Physics~for~temperature~dependences~for~ice} \end{array}$ 

In the program, k and  $\rho c$  are defined on half-points, while  $\rho_f$  and T are defined on grid points.

# Part 2

# Diffusion of Water Vapor with Phase Transitions

developed by Norbert Schörghofer, 2003–2004

3 phases: vapor, free ice, adsorbate diffusion of water vapor; variable diffusivity; irregular grid implemented in vapordiffusioni.f

# 2.1 Governing Equations

indices: v ... gas (vapor), f ... free ice (solid), a ... adsorbed water  $\bar{\rho}$  ... mass per total volume,  $\bar{J}$  ... vapor flux per total area

conservation of mass:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\bar{\rho}_v + \bar{\rho}_f + \bar{\rho}_a) + \nabla \cdot \bar{J} = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

vapor transport: (Landau & Lifshitz, Vol. VI, §57, §58)

$$J = -D\rho_0 \nabla c \tag{2.2}$$

c ... concentration  $c = \rho_v/\rho_0$ 

 $\rho_{\rm air}$  ... total density of air, including humidity

 $\rho_v$  ... density of vapor

$$p_v = nkT = \rho_v \frac{k}{m_v} T \tag{2.3}$$

 $m \dots$  mass of molecule;  $k \dots$  Boltzmann constant

adsorption:  $\bar{\rho}_a = A(p,T)$ 

The amount adsorbed also changes when ice is present.

 $\epsilon$  ... porosity (= void space / total volume)

 $\epsilon(1-\rho_f/\rho_{\rm ice})$  ... fraction of space available to gas

 $\bar{\rho}_v = \rho_v \epsilon (1 - \rho_f/\rho_{\rm ice})$   $\rho_v$  ... vapor density in void space

 $\bar{\rho}_f = \rho_f \epsilon$   $\rho_f$  ... ice density in volume not occupied by regolith

 $\bar{J} = J\epsilon (1 - \rho_f/\rho_{\rm ice})$  J ... vapor flux through void area  $\rho_{\rm ice} \approx 926 \text{ kg/m}^3$  ... density of ice when it's really cold

Conservation of mass becomes

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \rho_v \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \right) + \rho_f + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \bar{\rho}_a \right) + \partial_z \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \right) J = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[ \rho_v \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \right) + \rho_f + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \bar{\rho}_a \right] = \partial_z \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \right) D \partial_z \rho_v \right]$$

introduce  $\varphi = 1 - \frac{\rho_f}{\rho_{\text{ice}}}$  and  $\gamma = \frac{k}{m} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ 

$$\partial_t \left( \frac{p}{T} \varphi + \frac{k}{m_v} \rho_f \right) + \gamma \left( \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}_a}{\partial p} \partial_t p + \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}_a}{\partial T} \partial_t T \right) = \partial_z \left[ D\varphi \left( \partial_z \frac{p}{T} \right) \right]$$
 (2.4)

This is an equation for p and  $\rho_f$ .

If there is no ice, then

$$\left(\frac{1}{T} + \gamma \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}_a}{\partial p}\right) \partial_t p + \left(-\frac{p}{T^2} + \gamma \frac{\partial \bar{\rho}_a}{\partial T}\right) \partial_t T = \partial_z \left(D \partial_z \frac{p}{T}\right)$$

## 2.2 Discretizations

### 2.2.1 Possible discretizations of spatial derivatives:

Note: These spatial discretizations are not necessarily the best possible.

$$\partial_z (a\partial_z b)|_j = \frac{1}{\Delta z^2} \left( a_{j+1/2} (b_{j+1} - b_j) - a_{j-1/2} (b_j - b_{j-1}) \right) + O(\Delta z^2)$$
 (2.5)

or

$$\partial_z (a\partial_z b)|_j = \frac{1}{2\Delta z^2} \left( (a_{j+1} + a_j)(b_{j+1} - b_j) - (a_j + a_{j-1})(b_j - b_{j-1}) \right) + O(\Delta z^2)$$
 (2.6)

or

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_z (a\partial_z b)|_j &= a\partial_{zz} b + (\partial_z a)\partial_z b \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta z^2} \left( a_j (b_{j+1} - 2b_j + b_{j-1}) + \frac{1}{4} (a_{j+1} - a_{j-1})(b_{j+1} - b_{j-1}) \right) + O(\Delta z^2) \quad (2.7) \end{aligned}$$

The most general discretization which is accurate to  $O(\Delta z^2)$ , rather than just  $O(\Delta z)$ , is of the following form (see mathematica notebook discretization2.nb)

$$\partial_{z}(a\partial_{z}b)|_{j} = \frac{1}{\Delta z^{2}}(ca_{j}b_{j} + (-1 - \frac{c}{2})a_{j-1}b_{j} + (-1 - \frac{c}{2})a_{j+1}b_{j}$$

$$-\frac{c}{2}a_{j}b_{j-1} + \frac{3+c}{4}a_{j-1}b_{j-1} + \frac{1+c}{4}a_{j+1}b_{j-1}$$

$$-\frac{c}{2}a_{j}b_{j+1} + \frac{1+c}{4}a_{j-1}b_{j+1} + \frac{3+c}{4}a_{j+1}b_{j+1}) + O(\Delta z^{2})$$
(2.8)

Choices (2.6) and (2.7) above correspond to c = -1 and c = -2, respectively.

Another set of schemes are the ones that do not involve the corner points  $a_{j+1}b_{j-1}$  and  $a_{j-1}b_{j+1}$ . They are of the following form (see mathematica notebook discretization3.nb)

$$\partial_{z}(a\partial_{z}b)|_{j} = \frac{1}{\Delta z^{2}}(-a_{j}b_{j} - ca_{j-1}b_{j} + (-1+c)a_{j+1}b_{j} + (1-c)a_{j}b_{j-1} + ca_{j-1}b_{j-1} + ca_{j}b_{j+1} + (1-c)a_{j+1}b_{j+1}) + \left(c - \frac{1}{2}\right)O(\Delta z) + O(\Delta z^{2})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Delta z^{2}}\left[(1-c)a_{j+1}(b_{j+1} - b_{j}) + ca_{j-1}(b_{j-1} - b_{j}) + a_{j}(cb_{j+1} - b_{j} + (1-c)b_{j-1})\right] + O(\Delta z)$$

For c = 1/2 this reduces to scheme (2.6) above

If starting with complete pore filling, c > 0 is required for downward motion of ice table.

On irregular grid: General scheme without corner points (see mathematica notebook discretization6.nb)

$$\partial_{z}(a\partial_{z}b)|_{j} = -\frac{2c + (1 - 2c)h_{+}/h_{-}}{h_{-}h_{+}}a_{j}b_{j} + \frac{-1 + (1 - 2c)h_{+}/h_{-}}{h_{-}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j-1}b_{j} + \frac{2c - 2}{h_{+}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j+1}b_{j} + \frac{1 + (1 - 2c)h_{+}/h_{-}}{h_{-}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j}b_{j-1} + \frac{1 + (2c - 1)h_{+}/h_{-}}{h_{-}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j-1}b_{j-1} + \frac{2c}{h_{+}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j}b_{j+1} + \frac{2 - 2c}{h_{+}(h_{-} + h_{+})}a_{j+1}b_{j+1} + O(h_{+} + h_{-})$$

$$(2.10)$$

where  $h_+=z_{j+1}-z_j$  and  $h_-=z_j-z_{j-1}$ . For  $h_+=h_-=h$  this reduces to (2.9)

#### 2.2.2 Discretization of time derivative:

use eq. (2.4),  $A \equiv f$ 

$$\frac{p_j^{n+1}}{T_j^{n+1}}\varphi_j^{n+1} - \frac{p_j^n}{T_j^n}\varphi_j^n + \frac{k}{\mu}\left(\rho_f_j^{n+1} - \rho_f_j^n\right) + \gamma \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}\Big|_j^n (p_j^{n+1} - p_j^n) + 
+ \gamma \frac{\partial f}{\partial T}\Big|_j^n (T_j^{n+1} - T_j^n) = \Delta t \left(\partial_z D\varphi \partial_z \frac{p}{T}\right)_j^n$$
(2.11)

derivatives of the isotherm are not expanded to keep it linear

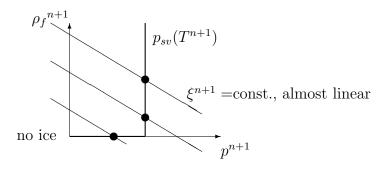
### 2.2.3 Complete scheme:

using (2.11) and (2.10)

$$\xi_{j}^{n+1} = \frac{p_{j}^{n}}{T_{j}^{n}} \varphi_{j}^{n} + \frac{k}{\mu} \rho_{f_{j}^{n}} + \gamma \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \Big|_{j}^{n} p_{j}^{n} - \gamma \frac{\partial f}{\partial T} \Big|_{j}^{n} (T_{j}^{n+1} - T_{j}^{n}) + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z^{2}} \left[ D_{j} \varphi_{j}^{n} \left( \frac{p_{j+1}^{n}}{T_{j+1}^{n}} - 2 \frac{p_{j}^{n}}{T_{j}^{n}} + \frac{p_{j-1}^{n}}{T_{j-1}^{n}} \right) + \frac{1}{4} (D_{j+1} \varphi_{j+1}^{n} - D_{j-1} \varphi_{j-1}^{n}) \left( \frac{p_{j+1}^{n}}{T_{j+1}^{n}} - \frac{p_{j-1}^{n}}{T_{j-1}^{n}} \right) \right]$$

where 
$$\xi^{n+1} = \frac{p^{n+1}}{T^{n+1}} \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_f^{n+1}}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \right) + \frac{k}{\mu} \rho_f^{n+1} + \gamma \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \right|^n p^{n+1}$$

$$p \leq p_{sv}(T)$$
 and  $0 \leq \rho_f \leq \rho_{ice}$ 



 $p_{sv}$  ... saturation vapor pressure

$$\text{Try } \rho_f^{n+1} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad p^{n+1} = \frac{T^{n+1} \cdot \xi^{n+1}}{1 + T^{n+1} \gamma \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \right|^n} \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_f^{n+1} = 0$$
 
$$\text{If } \quad p^{n+1} > p_{sv}(T^{n+1}) \quad \text{then} \quad \quad p^{n+1} = p_{sv}(T^{n+1}) \quad \text{and}$$
 
$$\rho_f^{n+1} = \frac{\xi^{n+1} - \frac{p_{sv}(T^{n+1})}{T^{n+1}} - \gamma \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \right|^n p_{sv}(T^{n+1})}{\frac{k}{\mu} - \frac{p_{sv}(T^{n+1})}{T^{n+1}\rho_{\text{ice}}}}$$
 
$$\text{introduce} \quad \quad p_{\text{frost}}^{n+1} = p_{sv}(T^{n+1})$$

## 2.2.4 Upper boundary condition:

- 1)  $p(z = 0, t) = p_{\text{atm.}}(t)$
- 2)  $D(z=0) = D_0$
- 3)  $\varphi_0 = 1$

$$\partial_z \left( D\varphi \partial_z \frac{p}{T} \right) \Big|_{j=0} = \frac{1}{\Delta z^2} \left[ D_1 \varphi_1 \left( \frac{p_2}{T_2} - 2 \frac{p_1}{T_1} + \frac{p_{\text{atm}}}{T_{\text{surf}}} \right) + \frac{1}{4} (D_2 \varphi_2 - D_0 \varphi_0) \left( \frac{p_2}{T_2} - \frac{p_{\text{atm}}}{T_{\text{surf}}} \right) \right] \quad (2.12)$$

for half-shifted grid  $(z_2 = 3z_1)$ :

$$a\partial_{zz}b + (\partial_z a)\partial_z b = \frac{1}{\Delta z^2} \left[ a_1 \left( \frac{8}{3}b_s - 4b_1 + \frac{4}{3}b_2 \right) + \left( -\frac{4}{3}a_s + a_1 + \frac{1}{3}a_2 \right) \left( -\frac{4}{3}b_s + b_1 + \frac{1}{3}b_2 \right) \right]$$
(2.13)

## 2.2.5 Lower boundary condition:

no vapor flux (impermeable) 
$$J=0$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $\partial_z \rho_v = 0$   $\Rightarrow$   $\partial_z \frac{p}{T} = 0$   $\Rightarrow$   $\frac{p_{N+1}}{T_{N+1}} = \frac{p_{N-1}}{T_{N-1}}$ 

$$\partial_z \left( D\varphi \partial_z \frac{p}{T} \right) \Big|_{j=N} = \frac{1}{\Delta z^2} 2D_N \varphi_N \left( \frac{p_{N-1}}{T_{N-1}} - \frac{p_N}{T_N} \right) \tag{2.14}$$

# 2.3 Numerical Stability

### Stability analysis for p (vapor), 2nd order schemes:

consider  $b_{j\pm 1}=b_{j}e^{\pm ik\Delta z}$  and  $a_{j\pm 1}=a_{j}\pm a_{j}'\Delta z$  in (2.8)

$$\begin{split} \partial_z (a \partial_z b)|_j &= \frac{a_j b_j}{\Delta z^2} (c + (-1 - \frac{c}{2})(1 - \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) + (-1 - \frac{c}{2})(1 + \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) \\ &- \frac{c}{2} e^{-ik\Delta z} + \frac{3+c}{4}(1 - \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) e^{-ik\Delta z} + \frac{1+c}{4}(1 + \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) e^{-ik\Delta z} \\ &- \frac{c}{2} e^{+ik\Delta z} + \frac{1+c}{4}(1 - \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) e^{+ik\Delta z} + \frac{3+c}{4}(1 + \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j}) e^{+ik\Delta z}) + O(\Delta z^2) \\ &= \frac{a_j b_j}{\Delta z^2} \left( -2 + 2\cos(k\Delta z) - i \frac{a_j' \Delta z}{a_j} \sin(k\Delta z) \right), \quad \text{independent of } c \end{split}$$

introduce  $\rho = p/T$ , then

$$\rho^{n+1} = \rho^n + \frac{\Delta t D \rho^n}{\Delta z^2} \left( -2 + 2\cos(k\Delta z) - i\frac{D'\Delta z}{D}\sin(k\Delta z) \right)$$
$$\frac{\rho^{n+1}}{\rho^n} = 1 + \frac{2D\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} \left( -1 + \cos(k\Delta z) \right) - i\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} D'\sin(k\Delta z)$$
$$\left| \frac{\rho^{n+1}}{\rho^n} \right|^2 = \left( 1 + \frac{2D\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (-1 + \cos(k\Delta z)) \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} D' \right)^2 \sin(k\Delta z)$$

extremum must be at  $\cos(k\Delta z) = +1, -1, \text{ or } \frac{1-\frac{\Delta z^2}{2D\Delta t}}{1-\left(\frac{D'\Delta z}{D}\right)^2}$ . The corresponding amplification factors are

1, 
$$1 - \frac{4D\Delta t}{\Delta z^2}$$
,  $D'\sqrt{\frac{-4D\Delta t + (D'\Delta t)^2 + \Delta z^2}{-4D^2 + (D'\Delta z)^2}}$ 

Leading to the stability criterion

$$\Delta t \le \min\left(\frac{\Delta z^2}{2D}, \frac{2D}{D'^2}\right) \quad \text{where} \quad D' = \max(|\partial_z D|)$$

# Stability analysis for $\varphi$ (ice), 2nd order schemes:

consider  $a_{j\pm 1}=a_{j}e^{\pm ik\Delta z}$  and  $b_{j\pm 1}=b_{j}\pm b_{j}'\Delta z$  in (2.8), then

$$\partial_z (a\partial_z b)|_j = i \frac{a_j b_j'}{\Delta z} \sin(k\Delta z)$$
 independent of  $c$ 

$$r^{n+1}\varphi^{n+1} + \frac{k}{\mu}\rho_{\text{ice}}(1-\varphi^{n+1}) = r^{n}\varphi^{n} + \frac{k}{\mu}\rho_{\text{ice}}(1-\varphi^{n}) + i\frac{\Delta t D \varphi^{n}}{\Delta z}r'\sin(k\Delta z)$$

$$\varphi^{n+1}(r^{n+1} - \frac{k}{\mu}\rho_{\text{ice}}) = \varphi^{n}\left(r^{n} - \frac{k}{\mu}\rho_{\text{ice}} + i\frac{\Delta t D}{\Delta z}r'\sin(k\Delta z)\right)$$

$$\rho_{v} \ll \rho_{\text{ice}}$$

$$\frac{\varphi^{n+1}}{\varphi^{n}} \approx 1 + \frac{\rho_{v}^{n+1} - \rho_{v}^{n}}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} - i\frac{\Delta t D}{\Delta z}\frac{\rho'_{v}}{\rho_{\text{ice}}}\sin(k\Delta z) \quad \text{where} \quad \rho'_{v} = \partial_{z}\rho_{v}$$

$$\left|\frac{\varphi^{n+1}}{\varphi^{n}}\right|^{2} \approx 1 + 2\frac{\dot{\rho}_{v}\Delta t}{\rho_{\text{ice}}}$$

growth  $O(\rho_v/\rho_{\rm ice})$  corresponds to physical growth. marginally stable

### Stability analysis for p (vapor), corner-free schemes:

(see mathematica notebook discretization3.nb)

$$\frac{\rho^{n+1}}{\rho^n} = 1 + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z^2} \left( (2D + (1 - 2c)\Delta z D')(-1 + \cos(hk)) + i\Delta z D' \sin(hk) \right)$$

for D' = 0 it becomes independent of c

$$\left| \frac{\rho^{n+1}}{\rho^n} \right| = 1 + \frac{2\Delta t D}{\Delta z^2} (-1 + \cos(hk))$$

$$\Delta t \leq \frac{\Delta z^2}{2D}$$

## Stability analysis for $\varphi$ (ice), corner-free schemes:

(see mathematica notebook discretization3.nb)

$$\partial_z(a\partial_z b) = \frac{ab'}{\Delta z} \left( (1 - 2c)(-1 + \cos(hk)) + i\sin(hk) \right)$$
$$\frac{\varphi^{n+1}}{\varphi^n} = 1 - \frac{\Delta t D}{\Delta z} \frac{\partial_z \rho_v}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \left( (1 - 2c)(-1 + \cos(hk)) + i\sin(hk) \right)$$

$$|A|^2 = [-1 + g(1 - 2c) + (2c - 1)g\cos(hk)]^2 + g^2\sin^2(hk) \text{ where } g = \frac{\Delta tD}{\Delta z} \frac{\partial_z \rho_v}{\rho_{\text{ice}}} \ll 1$$

$$\approx 1 - 2g(1 - 2c)(1 - \cos(hk)) \le 1 - 4g(1 - 2c)$$

Thus,  $c \le 1/2$  is necessary for stability from  $1 \ge 2g(1-2c) \ge 0$  and  $|\partial_z \rho_v| \le \rho_v/h$  we get

$$\frac{\Delta tD}{\Delta z^2} \frac{\rho_v}{\rho_{\rm ice}} \le \frac{1}{2(1-2c)}$$

For c < 1/2, the amplification |A| < 1 and therefore the scheme is really stable, not just marginally.