

Leapfrog:

$$\frac{f(t+dt, x) - f(t-dt, x)}{2dt} = -\nu \frac{f(t, x+dx) - f(t, x-dx)}{2dx}$$

$$\frac{f(t+\frac{dt}{2}, x) - f(t-\frac{dt}{2}, x)}{dt} = -\nu \frac{f(t, x+\frac{dx}{2}) - f(t, x-\frac{dx}{2})}{dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(t+dt, x) - 2f(t, x) + f(t-dt, x)}{dt^2} = \nu^2 \frac{f(t, x+dx) - 2f(t, x) + f(t, x-dx)}{dx^2}$$

$$\rightarrow f(x, t) = \varepsilon^t e^{ikx}$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha = \nu \frac{dt}{dx}$$

$$LHS = \frac{\varepsilon^{t+1} e^{ikx} - 2\varepsilon^t e^{ikx} + \varepsilon^{t-1} e^{ikx}}{dt^2} = \left(\frac{\varepsilon^{t+1} - 2\varepsilon^t + \varepsilon^{t-1}}{dt^2} \right) e^{ikx}$$

$$RHS = \alpha^2 \frac{\varepsilon^t e^{ik(x+dx)} - 2\varepsilon^t e^{ikx} + \varepsilon^t e^{ik(x-dx)}}{dx^2} = \nu^2 \varepsilon^t e^{ikx} \left(\frac{e^{ikdx} - 2 + e^{-ikdx}}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$e^{ikx} \left(\frac{\varepsilon^{t+1} - 2\varepsilon^t + \varepsilon^{t-1}}{dt^2} \right) = \nu^2 \varepsilon^t e^{ikx} \left(\frac{e^{ikdx} - 2 + e^{-ikdx}}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon^{t+1} - 2\varepsilon^t + \varepsilon^{t-1}}{dt^2} = \alpha^2 \frac{dx^2}{dt^2} \varepsilon^t \left(\frac{e^{ikdx} - 2 + e^{-ikdx}}{dx^2} \right)$$

$$\varepsilon^2 - 2\varepsilon + 1 = \alpha^2 \varepsilon (2 \cos(kdx) - 2)$$

$$\varepsilon^2 - 2\varepsilon - 2\alpha^2 \varepsilon \cos(kdx) + 2\alpha^2 \varepsilon + 1 = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\varepsilon - 2\varepsilon (1 - \alpha^2 \cos(kdx) + \alpha^2)}_C + 1 = 0$$

$$\varepsilon - 2C\varepsilon + 1 = 0$$

Since $|\varepsilon| \leq 1$:

$$|\varepsilon|^2 = C^2 + (1 - C^2) \leq 1, \text{ where } C = 2i \sin(kdx)\alpha$$

If $\alpha \leq 1$, then $(2i \sin(kdx)\alpha)^2 \leq 1$.

Therefore, when

if $\alpha \leq 1$:

$$|\alpha^2 \cos(kdx)| \leq 1$$

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$$|1 - \alpha^2 \cos(kdx) + \alpha^2| \leq 1$$

$$|C| \leq 1$$

$$C^2 \leq 1$$

$$\text{As } \varepsilon - 2C\varepsilon + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon = C \pm \sqrt{C^2 - 1}$$

Since $|C| \leq 1$ and $C^2 \leq 1$, $|\varepsilon| \leq 1$

Therefore, if $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{dt}{dx}} \leq 1$, $|\varepsilon| \leq 1$, which means that the leapfrog scheme is stable.