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1 Exercise 1)

We are here going to find the expression for a mass point y_i of a string from its neighbours and previous position. From the exercise text we are given the force on the a mass point as

$$F_i = F_{i,l} + F_{i,r} = -(k_{i-1} + k_i)y_i + k_{i-1}y_{i-1} + k_iy_{i+1} \quad (1)$$

Where $F_{i,l}$ is the force acting on the mass point from the left, and $F_{i,r}$ is the force acting on it from the right. k_i is the spring constant of the i 'th spring; y_{i-1} and y_{i+1} are the left and right neighbour, respectively; and k_{i-1} the $i - 1$ 'th spring.

From Newton's second law we get that

$$F_i = m_i \ddot{y}_i \quad (2)$$

And from the exercise text we lastly get the numerical approximation of the second derivative:

$$\ddot{y}_i = \frac{d^2 y_i}{dt^2} \approx \frac{y_i^+ - 2y_i^0 + y_i^-}{(\Delta t)^2} \quad (3)$$

Where y_i^+ is what are interested in finding, namely the position of the mass point y_i in the next time step. y_i^0 is the current position of the mass point, and y_i^- the previous position. We are only going to look at the y -position of each mass point. In reality the mass point would be able to move in the x -direction as well (and z -direction in a 3D case), but we are simplifying the system by only looking at the y -position.

We can now use the information above to find a expression for the position of a mass point in the next time step y_i^+ . We begin by inserting equation (1) and (3) into (2):

$$-(k_{i-1} + k_i)y_i + k_{i-1}y_{i-1} + k_iy_{i+1} = m_i \frac{y_i^+ - 2y_i^0 + y_i^-}{(\Delta t)^2} \quad (4)$$

We can now simply solve for y_i^+ . We then get the expression for the next y -position/amplitude of the i 'th mass point:

$$\boxed{y_i^+ = \frac{\Delta t^2}{m_i} (k_{i-1}y_{i-1} - (k_{i-1} + k_i)y_i + k_iy_{i+1}) + 2y_i^0 - y_i^-} \quad (5)$$

Notice that this equation is dependent on the current and previous position of the mass point, meaning that we need an initial position *and* a pre-initial position. Finding the pre-initial conditions will depend on the behaviour we want the system to have, and will be discussed below for some of the later cases.

We also have to be careful of the neighbouring mass points. In the middle of the string this poses no problem, but at the ends we have to impose some special rules on the mass points. We are going to look at two methods of dealing with the endpoints:

Open ends:

For the open ends we want the mass points to only feel the force of one of its neighbours – the right neighbour for the first point, and the left of the last point –. This means that we can write Newton's second law for the first and last mass point as:

$$m_0 \ddot{y}_0 = F_{0,r} \quad m_{N-1} \ddot{y}_{N-1} = F_{N-1,l} \quad (6)$$

We can thus rewrite expression (5) explicitly for the endpoints:

$$y_0^+ = \frac{\Delta t^2}{m_0} (-k_0 y_0 + k_0 y_1) + 2y_0^0 - y_0^- \quad (7)$$

$$y_{N-1}^+ = \frac{\Delta t^2}{m_{N-1}} (k_{N-2} y_{N-2} - k_{N-2} y_{N-1}) + 2y_{N-1}^0 - y_{N-1}^- \quad (8)$$

Reflective ends:

The second type of ends are the reflective ends. These are ends that don't move from their initial position. This means that every wave hitting this point will be reflected. There are two ways of implementing this. The first and simplest method is to just force the position of these mass points to be the initial condition:

$$y_{end}^+ = y_{end}^0 = y_{end}^- \quad (9)$$

The second method is more like reality. A total reflection will happen when a wave hits a domain with a very large impedance, given as

$$z_i = \sqrt{k_i m_i} \quad (10)$$

or a wave on string. We can there for give the endpoints very large impedance. In our case we can give the point a mass $M_i \gg m_i$. This will ensure a reflective end. But again we have to find a way to treat the neighbours at the endpoint. The way I did this in my simulation was to simply have open ends with mass M_i , this means that we don't have to think about the neighbours and we get reflective ends. So for the reflective ends y_{end}^+ is given as:

$$y_0^+ = \frac{\Delta t^2}{M_0} (-k_0 y_0 + k_0 y_1) + 2y_0^0 - y_0^- \quad (11)$$

$$y_{N-1}^+ = \frac{\Delta t^2}{M_{N-1}} (k_{N-2} y_{N-2} - k_{N-2} y_{N-1}) + 2y_{N-1}^0 - y_{N-1}^- \quad (12)$$

2 Exercise 2)

We are here going to show that the above way of describing a wave on a string reduces to the 1D wave equation.

We are going to start by introducing a mass density $\mu = m/\Delta x$ and the constant spring stiffness $\kappa = k\Delta x$, here Δx is the distance between the mass points. We are going to assume the spring constants k_i and masses m_i to be constant along the whole spring ¹. This means that we can use that

$$k = \frac{\kappa}{\Delta x}, \quad m = \mu\Delta x \quad (13)$$

We can now insert these into equation (1) and (2)

$$m_i\ddot{y}_i = \mu\Delta x\ddot{y}_i = F_i = \frac{\kappa}{\Delta x}(y_{i-1} - 2y_i + y_{i+1}) \quad (14)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu\Delta x\ddot{y}_i = \frac{\kappa}{\Delta x}(y_{i-1} - 2y_i + y_{i+1}) \quad (15)$$

In the expression for F_i I pulled out $\kappa/\Delta x$ and rearranged the y -terms. We then move $\mu\Delta x$ to the right side, and get

$$\ddot{y}_i = \frac{\kappa}{\mu} \cdot \frac{y_{i-1} - 2y_i + y_{i+1}}{(\Delta x)^2} \quad (16)$$

If we remember back to how discretized the second derivative of y with respect to time in (3) we see that the last term on the right side look eerily similar. This is infact the discretized of the second derivative of y with respect to x

$$\frac{d^2y_i}{dx^2} \approx \frac{y_{i-1} - 2y_i + y_{i+1}}{(\Delta x)^2} \quad (17)$$

We are going to use that this go to a equivalence as Δx goes to zero. So if we insert this into (16) we get

$$\ddot{y}_i = \frac{\kappa}{\mu} \frac{d^2y_i}{dx^2} \quad (18)$$

This means that a wave on a string obeys the differential equation:

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2y_i}{dt^2} = v_B^2 \frac{d^2y_i}{dx^2}} \quad (19)$$

This is the 1D wave equation. Comparing this with (18), we get that a wave on a string propagate with the velocity v_B given as

$$\boxed{v_B^2 = \frac{\kappa}{\mu}} \quad (20)$$

¹This is not necessary to for the end points, and especially for reflective ends. But for a solution of the wave equation, the imposed boundary conditions will ensure the right behaviour of the ends. We can therefore ignore the ends for the derivation of the wave equation.

3 Exercise 3)

When we are simulating the wave, we need to ensure that the program is numerically stable. The requirement for this to be true is that

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \geq v_B \quad (21)$$

This comes from the Courant–Friedrichs–Lewy condition for convergence of a numerical solution for partial differential equations like the wave equation. Broadly this condition says that the time step has to be smaller than the time it takes the wave to move the next mass point, which is equivalent to the above (21).

To see what kind of limitations this means for our simulation, we are going to rewrite v_B with k and m :

$$v_B = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{\mu}} = \sqrt{\frac{k\Delta x}{m/\Delta x}} = \Delta x \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (22)$$

We insert this into (21)

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \geq \Delta x \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (23)$$

Doing the algebra we get the convergence condition:

$$\boxed{\Delta t \leq \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}} \quad (24)$$

As we can see, the convergence condition no longer involves Δx . If we look at the expression for y_i^+ (5) we see that there is no mention of Δx , meaning that both the stability and precision of the simulation is wholly independent of Δx .

The conclusion is thus that while the value of Δt is highly important for the accuracy of the simulation, Δx is just a scaling factor which we are free to set as 1 for our simulation.

4 Exercise 4)

We are now going to simulate waves on the string. The general algorithm is as follows:

- Initialize arrays and parameters.
- Initialize initial and pre-initial conditions
- Loop over time steps:
 - Calculate endpoints
 - Calculate interior points
- Plot, analyse, etc.

The program is in python, and is object oriented – I could have made it without a class but, I find it more structured object oriented –. We can see that there are no loops over the mass points inside the time loop, this is because we are using *numpy* to vectorize this calculation, which makes the program run a lot faster.

¹I will normally use $\Delta t = 0.1 \cdot \sqrt{m/k}$ for the rest of the exercises

For our first simulation we are going to use $N = 200$ mass points, $m_i = 0.02$ m and $k = 10 \text{ kg/s}^2$. We are here saying that k is constant, I have thus used a constant value for k in the programs, and not an array (which would be used for varying k). But what to do with Δt and Δx ? As mentioned Δx is just a scaling factor, and is set to 1 for the rest of the project. We know from the above the maximum value for Δt (24). I have therefore for this exercise chose to use this maximum value ¹

The initial conditions we are going to use are:

$$y_i^0 = \sin\left(7\pi \frac{i}{N-1}\right), \quad 0 \leq i \leq N-1 \quad (25)$$

This is a wave repeating 3.5 wave lengths over the length of the string. We therefore expect to see a standing wave, since

$$L = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \lambda = \frac{7\lambda}{2} \quad (26)$$

We know that a standing wave is the sum of two waves moving in the opposite direction. We can describe a standing wave as

$$y(t, x) = 2A \cos(\omega t) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right) \quad (27)$$

we can differentiate this

$$\dot{y}(t, x) = -2A\omega \sin(\omega t) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{\lambda}\right) \quad (28)$$

We can use this to find the pre-initial conditions y_i^- . We know that since the last time step, y_i^- as moved \dot{y} , so

$$y_i^- = y_i^0 - \dot{y}(t=0, x_i) = y_i^0 + 2A\omega \sin(\omega \cdot 0) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x_i}{\lambda}\right) = y_i^0 \quad (29)$$

So we know that the pre-initial conditions as to be the same as the initial conditions for it to be a standing wave, so

$$\boxed{y_i^- = y_i^0 = \sin\left(7\pi \frac{i}{N-1}\right), \quad 0 \leq i \leq N-1} \quad (30)$$

Using this in our program we can look at the result:

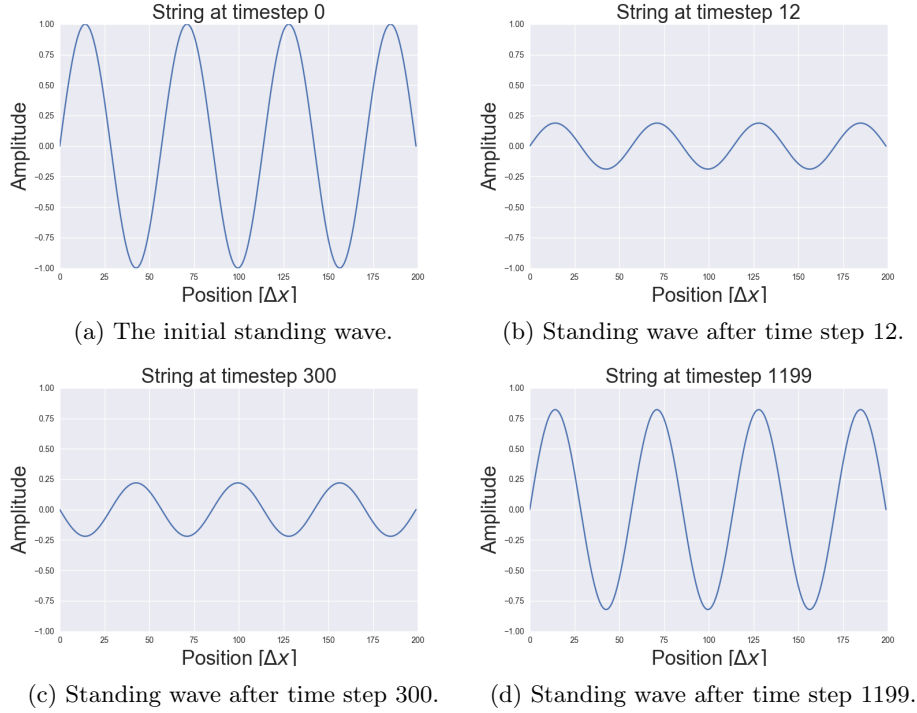


Figure 1: We can see that we have a standing wave which are moving up and down over time. These are four plots of this wave at random time step.

We can see that we obtained a standing wave, as was expected. I have included code for animation in the plotting method. Just set `animate = True` when calling this method. This way of plotting doesn't seem to work on iOS/mac, so it is set as `False` by default.

5 Exercise 5)

We are interested in finding the frequency of a given mass point, using the same initial conditions as in the last exercise. We are going to start by finding it analytically. We are going to start with one of the most basic property of a wave:

$$f\lambda = v_B = \Delta x \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (31)$$

This gives the frequency

$$f = \frac{\Delta x}{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \frac{\mathcal{K} \Delta x}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (32)$$

Where \mathcal{K} is the wave number of the initial sin wave. From (25) we see that

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{7\pi}{(N-1)\Delta x} \quad (33)$$

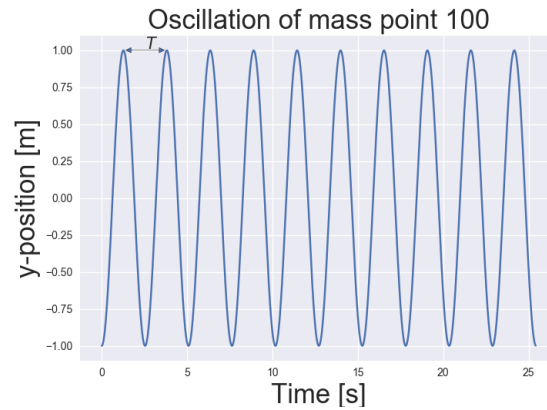
The Δx comes from the need to have the correct units. This finally gives the analytical value for the frequency:

$$f_{analytic} = \frac{7}{2(N-1)} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = 0.393278 \text{ Hz} \quad (34)$$

We are now going to reproduce this numerically. We want the simulation to run for 10 periods. We can use the expected value the frequency to find the number of time steps which corresponds to 10 periods

$$\text{num. of time steps} = 10 \cdot \frac{1}{\Delta t} \cdot \frac{1}{f} \approx 5685 \quad (35)$$

Here i used $\Delta t = 0.1 \cdot \sqrt{m/k}$. If we look at the position of the 100'th mass point after 10 periods we get



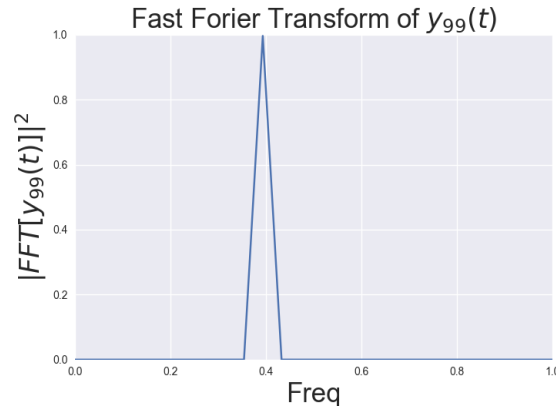
Figur 2: The position of the 100'th mass point as a function of time. I have marked one period of the oscillation. We can use this to find the frequency.

We can see the motion of the 100'th mass point resemble a sinusoidal motion, as we would expect. We can look at the time between two maxima of the oscillation, and from the inverse of this we find the frequency numerically. To get a more accurate result I used the mean value of all the 10 periods, and got

$$f_{\text{numerical}} = \frac{1}{\bar{T}} \approx 0.393059 \text{ Hz} \quad (36)$$

This is very close to the result we got analytically.

The last method we are going to use to find the frequency is a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT). We are going to use *numpy's* FFT. If we do FFT of the motion in 2 we get the following frequency spectrum:



Figur 3: The frequency spectrum of the 100'th mass point. We can see a spike around 0.4, just where we expect to find our frequency. The reason we don't get a spike at just one frequency is due to our frequency resolution. As $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ we would see that this spike get narrower.

If we ask python to find where we get a maximum in figure above, we get the frequency of the oscillation:

$$f_{FFT} = 0.393328 \text{ Hz} \quad (37)$$

We have now gotten the frequency of the oscillation of $y_{99}(t)$ from three different methods:

	Frequency	Relative error from analytic
Analytic	0.393278	-
Numerical	0.393059	0.06%
FFT	0.393328	0.013%

Tabell 1: Frequency given by the different method, and their relative error from the analytical frequency.

We can see that both numerical methods got very close to the analytic answer. This small error may come from the discretization. As Δt becomes smaller, this error will most likely also go towards zero. I would have expected that the numerical frequency and the frequency from the FFT. But if we look closer at 2 we can see something that may be the reason:

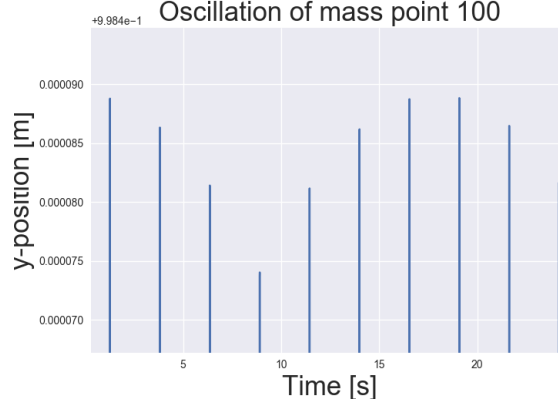


Figure 4: A highly zoomed in version of 2. A small difference on the maximum of the oscillation can be seen.

This means that there is some difference in when we get a maximum for y_{99} , which may be the reason why the numerical frequency has a larger error, while the FFT doesn't.

6 Exercise 6)

In this exercise we are going to check if our simulation are preserving the total energy. Total energy is $E = KE + U$ where

$$KE = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2 \quad U = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} k_i \Delta y^2 \quad (38)$$

With

$$\Delta y = y_{i+1} - y_i, \quad i = 0, \dots, N-2 \quad (39)$$

We are not including the $N-1$ 'th mass point since we are counting springs, we say are connected to the right of a mass point, thus the last one has no spring.

The one thing we need to discretized is the velocity. To get the best precision we are going to use the symmetric difference quotient

$$(y_i^0)' \approx \frac{y_i^+ - y_i^-}{2\Delta t} \quad (40)$$

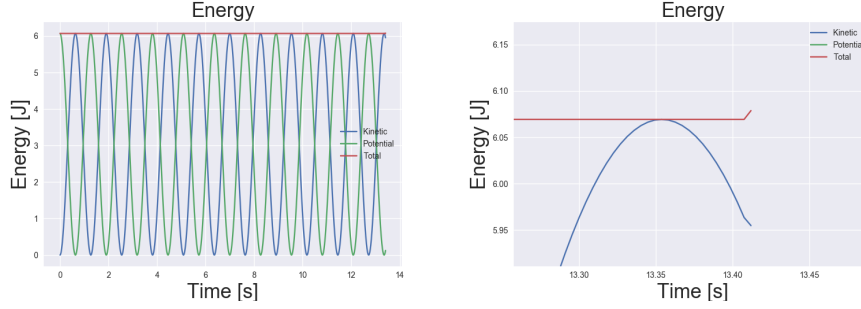
Since this is dependent on both the previous and next position, this is only possible for $0 < t < T$. So we have to use different method at $t = 0$ and $t = T$. For $t = 0$ we have to use

$$(y_i^0)' \approx \frac{y_i^+ - y_i^0}{\Delta t} \quad (41)$$

and for $t = T$ we have to use

$$(y_i^0)' \approx \frac{y_i^0 - y_i^-}{\Delta t} \quad (42)$$

This makes our calculation of the total energy less reliable at these points. Lets look at the result:



(a) Shows the kinetic, potential and total energy of the system. We see from the red line that total energy is more or less conserved. (b) The end $t = T$. We can see a small jump in kinetic and total energy.

As we see above we have with a time step $\Delta t = 0.1 \cdot \sqrt{m/k}$ an almost constant total energy. If we look at a larger time step we would begin to see a small oscillation in the total energy:

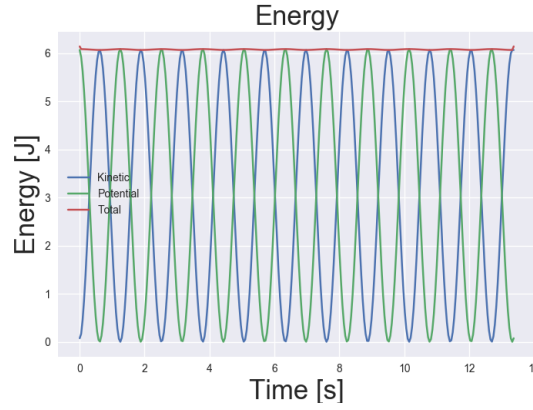


Figure 6: Simulation with $\Delta t = \sqrt{m/k}$. It is difficult to see, but the total energy is oscillating with a small amplitude and with the same frequency as the potential and kinetic energy.

If we look back to 5b we see a small jump. This is most likely due to the different method of numerical differentiation used here, which is less precise than the method used elsewhere.

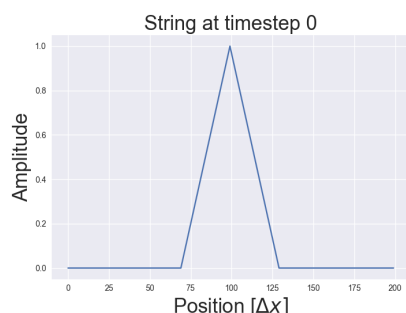
All in all we can see that the total energy is well preserved in our simulation.

7 Exercise 7)

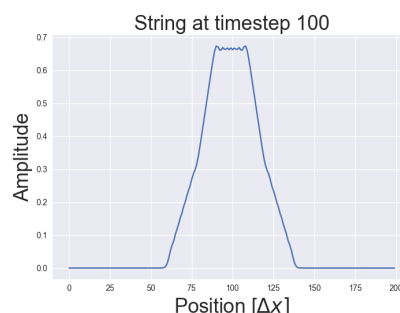
We are going to do the simulation with a triangle centred as the midpoint as initial condition:

$$y_i^0 = y_i^- = \begin{cases} (i - 69)/30 & 70 \leq i \leq 99 \\ (129 - i)/30 & 100 \leq i \leq 128 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (43)$$

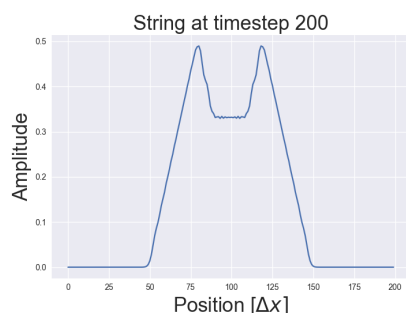
The following figures are taken from a simulation with $\Delta t = 0.1 \cdot \sqrt{m/k}$:



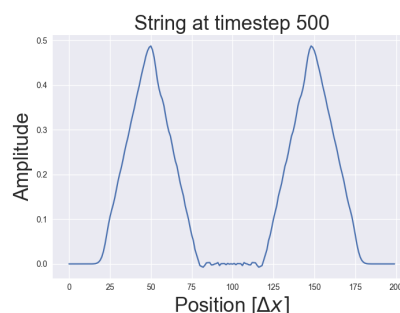
(a) The initial triangular wave.



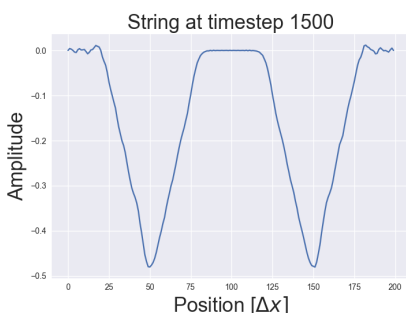
(b) The initial triangular wave.



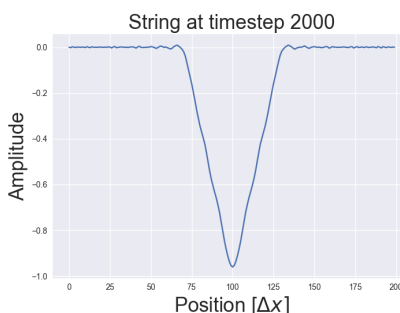
(c) The initial triangular wave.



(d) The initial triangular wave.



(e) The initial triangular wave.



(f) The initial triangular wave.

As we can see that the wave starts out as a triangle as it should. It then begins to part into two waves about half the amplitude of the initial wave. One of the waves going to the left and one to the right. Both reflects of the wall and their amplitudes change sign. Then they meet again in the middle. If we run the simulation longer we would see them part, reflect of the wall and again meet at the middle, so on and so on.

So what is the reason for this behaviour? The initial triangular wave is made to be a wave where the initial condition as the same as the pre-initial conditions. Since it stands still this time step, it has to be a superposition of two wave moving in the opposite direction. This means that in the next time step and onwards the initial wave will split into its two constituent waves, going in opposite direction, just as we observed in the simulation.

8 Exercise 8)

We are going to make a triangle centred around mass point 30. This means the our system starts with a initial condition

$$y_i^0 = \begin{cases} \frac{i}{30} & 0 \leq i \leq 29 \\ \frac{59-i}{30} & 30 \leq i \leq 58 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (44)$$

We are then going to make it move to the right. To do make this happen we have to find specific pre-initial conditions y_i^- . There are two different methods to make this happen. One method where we set Δt to some specific value, where we can just center the triangle one mass point/grid point backwards for y_i^- . The second method uses interpolation to find have the triangle looked one time step back.

Method 1:

We are going to start with the general equation for a wave travelling to the right $F(x - vt)$. Since we have a discretized system, we know that in one time step Δt , the wave has to have travelled some distance $n\Delta x$, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$. This gives us that

$$F(x - v\Delta t) = F(x - n\Delta x) \Rightarrow v\Delta t = n\Delta x \quad (45)$$

Using the definition of v we get

$$\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}\Delta x\Delta t = n\Delta x \Leftrightarrow \Delta t = n\sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \quad (46)$$

Comparing this to the convergence condition (24) we see that we must have $n = 1$. So we get that

$$\boxed{\Delta t = \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}} \quad (47)$$

For this specific value of Δt (the largest possible) we can just center the triangle one mass point to the left to get a triangle moving right.

Method 2:

If we instead want a method which we can use for every possible value of Δt we have to use interpolation. During one time step the a mass point a moved some Δy either up or down(or not at all). We can use dimensional analysis to find the value of Δy . We take the derivative of the function of the initial condition with respect to the number of mass points((46) is dependent on i , not x), y' , we know that this is the amount the triangle has move from one mass point to the next Δi .¹

$$y' = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta i} \quad (48)$$

The velocity v_B can be written as $v_B = \sqrt{k/m}\Delta x$ meaning that $\sqrt{k/m}$ is the velocity the wave moves from one mass point to the next during a time step.

$$\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \frac{\Delta i}{\Delta t} \quad (49)$$

If we combine these we get that

$$\Delta y = y' \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \Delta t \quad (50)$$

And from this we get the function for the pre-initial conditions:

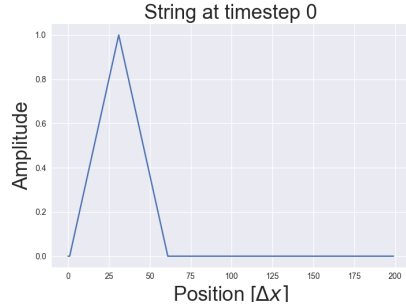
¹ Δi is trivially equals to 1, but is used here as a useful marker from the dimensional analysis

$$y_i^- = y_i^0 - \Delta y_{i+1} = y_i^0 - y_{i+1}' \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \Delta t \quad (51)$$

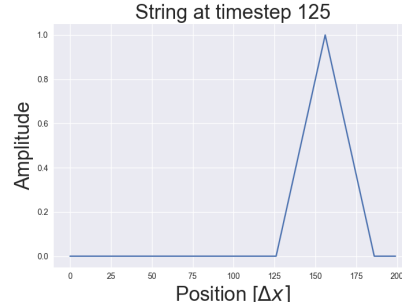
Notice that if we use the same time step as in method one we get that $\Delta y = y'$, and we get the same result, which makes sense. It is because we're now using a smaller time step that we have to interpolate. We can so look at the results:

Results Method 1:

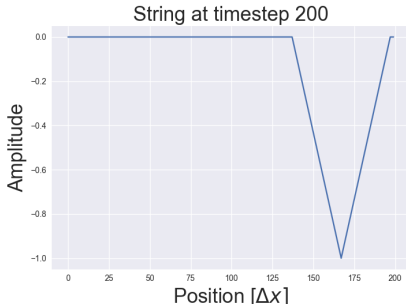
For the following results I have chosen to center the triangle at 31 instead of 30, due to have to move the triangle one mass point to the left for the pre-initial conditions. I have also done this in the *method 2*-results, to have comparable results for the two methods



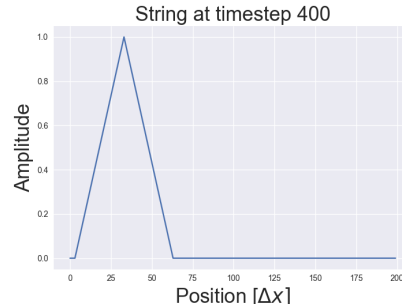
(a) The initial triangular wave.



(b) The wave after 125 time steps. It has move almost across the string.



(c) The wave after 200 time steps. The wave has just been reflected of the right wall.

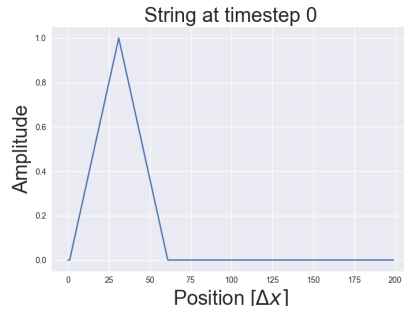


(d) The wave after 400 time steps. The wave has just been reflected of the left wall.

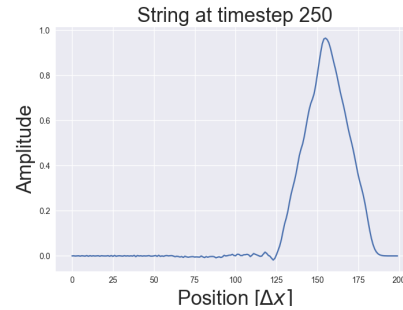
Figur 8: A triangular wave moving to the right using $\Delta t = \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$. The triangle holds its shape, moves to the right, reflects off the right wall, moves back and reflects off left wall. As we can see the wave behaves exactly as we expects.

We can see from the above figure that the wave moves how it suppose to. This method of making the wave move to the right does not depend on the size or initial condition, so it is very versatile, and very exact. The only problem is the set size of Δt . If we for some reason want to lower the time step, we have to use the interpolation. But as we will see below this creates imperfections in the simulation.

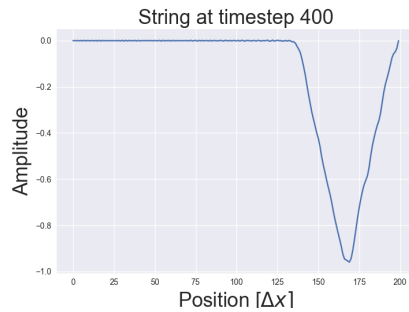
Results Method 2:



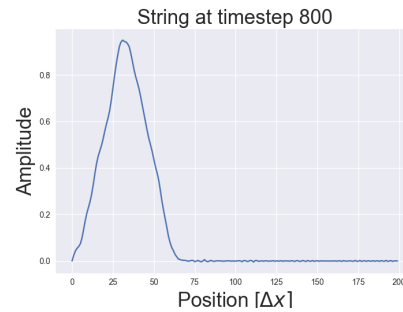
(a) The initial triangular wave.



(b) The wave after 250 time steps. It has move almost across the string.



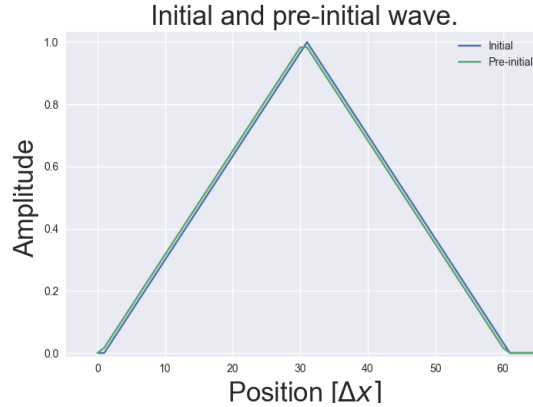
(c) The wave after 400 time steps. The wave has just been reflected of the right wall.



(d) The wave after 800 time steps. The wave has just been reflected of the left wall.

Figur 9: A triangular wave moving to the right using interpolation. We can see that the moving wave is not a perfect triangle. The triangle has after the initial time steps no longer amplitude 1, and there are ripples following it. But other than that, the wave behaves as we expect. This is simulated with $\Delta t = 0.5 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$

As we see in the figure above, the triangle moves to the right, reflects of the right wall. And due to the near infinite impedance of the end point its amplitude changes sign. The reflected wave moves back and reflects of the left wall. We can see that we have a amplitude less than the original, and ripples behind the wave. This is due to us trying to impose continuity on a discrete system. We can look at the initial and the pre-initial wave:



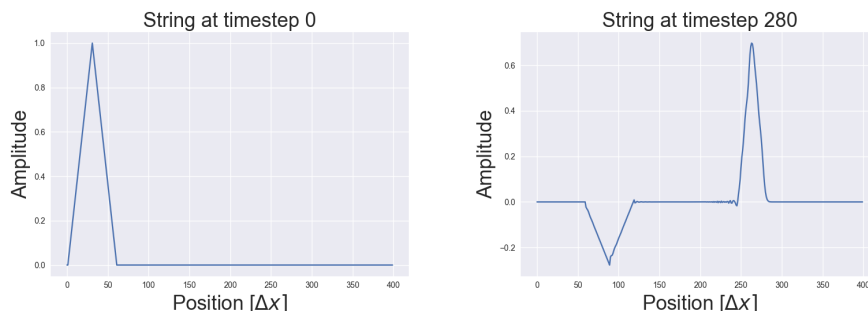
Figur 10: The initial and pre-initial triangle. They are almost identical (and shifted) but for the top and the endpoints.

We can see that because we are interpolate, the top of the triangle is missing(it only exist if the mass point had been $1 \cdot v\Delta t$ away), and endpoints are a kink. These are the reasons we are getting the imperfections in the triangular wave.

But other then the above mentioned effects, the triangle wave behaves as we expected. Moving to the right and reflecting of the walls.

9 Exercise 9)

We are now going to make the increase the number of mass points to 400 and let the last half of them have 3 times the mass. We are in this case expecting a reflection then the wave crosses to the domain with the higher mass. This is due to difference in impedance from the first half z_0 to the second half with a higher impedance z_1 . In the simulation we are going to use method 1 from exercise 8 to make a triangular wave moving right. We are using method 1 because this gives the best triangle. Here are the results:



(a) The initial triangular wave.

(b) The reflected and transmitted wave right after the reflection.

Figure 11: As we can see, the reflected wave has a negative amplitude, this is because $z_0 < z_1$. We can also see that the waves aren't perfect triangle any more. I will comment on this later.

We are interested in using the above simulation to find a numerical value for the difference in impedance in the two halves z_1/z_0 . We are going to start with the analytical answer. Since the impedance of a string is given as $z = \sqrt{km}$ we get

$$\frac{z_1}{z_0} = \frac{\sqrt{3mk}}{\sqrt{mk}} = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.73205080 \quad (52)$$

We are going to use the reflection- and transmission coefficient to find this value numerically. We know that

$$R = \frac{A_r}{A_i} = \frac{z_0 - z_1}{z_0 + z_1}, \quad T = \frac{A_t}{A_i} = \frac{2z_0}{z_0 + z_1} \quad (53)$$

Which gives us that

$$\left(\frac{z_1}{z_0}\right)_R = \frac{1-R}{1+R}, \quad \left(\frac{z_1}{z_0}\right)_T = \frac{2}{T} - 1 \quad (54)$$

R and T are easy to find numerically. We know that the reflected amplitude is negative. We know the amplitude of the initial triangle A_i . To find the amplitude of the reflected wave A_r we just get the minimum at the time step we are looking at the impedance (step 280 in my simulation). And to get transmitted amplitude A_t we just find the maximum. We can so easily find:

$$\left(\frac{z_1}{z_0}\right)_R \approx 1.76558929321, \quad \left(\frac{z_1}{z_0}\right)_T \approx 1.87105721136 \quad (55)$$

We can see that both of these are a bit off, even though the value from R is a bit closer. The reason may have to do with the imperfections in the reflected and transmitted triangles/waves. If we look at 11b we see that there are small ripples near the base of both waves. So not all of the energy of the initial wave has gone to making into making the main reflected and transmitted waves. Thus, if we are using the main waves to calculate z_1/z_0 . I tried finding method of taking these ripples into consideration, but I found no way to use them to improve the result (and mostly got worse results). Why we are getting these ripples, I don't know. This discrepancy between the numerical and analytical results may be the results of numerical error, or it may also have to do with the fact that all of the calculations above assume an ideal string, and our string may have some dispersion, which would change the results.

A Code for exercise 4:

```
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
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@author: dulte
"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T, N, dt, dx):
```

```

"""Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
    print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
    exit()

"""Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""
if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
    print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt to large!"
    exit()

self.edges = edges
self.m = m
self.k = k
self.N = N
self.dx = dx
self.dt = dt
self.T = T

self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as default

def solve(self,y,y_prev,plot = True):

    M=1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

    self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

    """ Im setting y_i~ for the first timestep in the last timestep,
    this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
    (since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
    self.y[:,-1] = np.copy(y_prev)

    if self.edges == "reflective":
        self.ms[0] = float(M) #Givs the endpoint there 'infinite' mass
        self.ms[-1] = float(M)

    """This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
    self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

    for t in xrange(self.T-1):

        self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
            t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
        self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
            self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
            self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

        self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
            [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
            -1]

```

```

"""Method takes either a list of frames one wants to plot, or just a
    single frame.
    Set animate to true if you want to animate(is somewhat unstable, so may
    get errors,
    and dont seem to work on iOS)"""
def plotWave(self, frames, animate = False):
    if animate:
        fig = plt.figure()
        animationImages = []
        for t in range(self.T):
            animationImages.append(plt.plot(self.y[:,t], 'r'))

        ani = anim.ArtistAnimation(fig, animationImages, interval = self.
            dt*1000, blit = True)
        #self.fig.show()
        plt.show()

    try:
        for f in frames:
            if f > self.T:
                continue
            plt.plot(self.y[:,f])
            plt.title("String at timestep %g" %f, fontsize = 25)
            plt.xlabel("Position [$\Delta x]$", fontsize = 25)
            plt.ylabel("Amplitude", fontsize = 25)
            plt.axis([0,200,-1,1])
            plt.show()
    except:
        if frames > self.T:
            return
        plt.plot(self.y[:,frames])
        plt.title("String at timestep %g" %frames, fontsize = 25)
        plt.xlabel("Position [$\Delta x]$", fontsize = 25)
        plt.ylabel("Amplitude ", fontsize = 25)
        plt.axis([0,200,-1,1])
        plt.show()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    """Initialization of parameters"""
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2
    dt = 1*np.sqrt(m/k)
    dx = 1
    N = 200
    T = 1200
    edges = "reflective"

    """Intital conditions"""
    i = np.arange(N)
    y0 = np.sin(7*np.pi*i/float(N-1))
    """Pre-initial condtions"""
    y_m = np.copy(y0)

    """Solving the wave equation"""

```

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wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)
wave.solve(y0,y_m)

"""Plotting the solution"""
wave.plotWave(frames = [0,12,300,900,1199],animate = False)

```

B Code for exercise 5:

```

# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
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@author: dulte
"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T,N, dt,dx):

        """Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
        if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
            print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
            exit()

        """Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""
        if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
            print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt to large!"
            exit()

        self.edges = edges
        self.m = m
        self.k = k
        self.N = N
        self.dx = dx
        self.dt = dt
        self.T = T

        self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
        self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as
diffult

    def solve(self,y,y_prev,plot = True):

        M=1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

```

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self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

""" Im setting y_i^- for the first timestep in the last timestep,
this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
(since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
self.y[:, -1] = np.copy(y_prev)

if self.edges == "reflective":
    self.ms[0] = float(M) #Givs the endpoint there 'infinite' mass
    self.ms[-1] = float(M)

"""This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

for t in xrange(self.T-1):

    self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
        t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
    self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
        self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
        self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

    self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
        [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
        -1]

def findFreq(self,index):
    y_indexed = self.y[int(index),:]

    """Finds the freq from the periode"""
    argLocalMax = argrelextrema(y_indexed,np.greater)[0]
    freqFromWavePeriode = np.mean(1./(np.abs(self.dt*argLocalMax[: -1] -
        self.dt*argLocalMax[1:]))))

    """plots y_99"""
    plt.plot(np.arange(self.T)*self.dt,y_indexed)
    plt.annotate(s='', xy=(self.dt*argLocalMax[0],1), xytext=(self.dt*
        argLocalMax[1],1), arrowprops=dict(arrowstyle='<-|>'))
    plt.text(self.dt*argLocalMax[0] + 0.5/(freqFromWavePeriode),1.01,"
        $T$,fontsize = 15)
    plt.title("Oscillation of mass point %g" %(index + 1),fontsize = 25)
    plt.xlabel("Time [s]",fontsize = 25)
    plt.ylabel("y-position [m]",fontsize = 25)
    plt.show()

    print "The frequency found analytically is %g" %(1./((self.N-1)/3.5)
        *np.sqrt(self.k/self.m))

    print "The frequency found from the periode is %g" %
        freqFromWavePeriode

"""Finds the freq from the FFT"""

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fourier = np.fft.fft(y_indexed)
freq = np.fft.fftfreq(self.T, d = self.dt)
freqFFT = (np.abs(freq[np.argmax(np.abs(fourier))]))
print "The frequency found from the Fourier Transform is %g" %
      freqFFT

"""Plots the FFT"""
plt.plot(np.abs(freq[:self.T//2]),(2./(self.T)*np.absolute(fourier[:
      self.T//2]))**2)
plt.title("Fast Forier Transform of $y_{99}(t)$",fontsize = 25)
plt.xlabel("Freq",fontsize = 25)
plt.ylabel("$|FFT[y_{99}(t)]|^2$",fontsize = 25)
#plt.axis([0,1,0,1])
plt.show()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2

    dt = .1*np.sqrt(m/k)

    dx = 1

    N = 200

    T = int(10*(1./dt)*(1./0.393278))
    print "Number of time steps needed:", T
    edges = "reflective"

    i = np.arange(N)

    y0 = np.sin(7*np.pi*i/float(N-1))
    y_m =np.copy(y0)

    wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)
    wave.solve(y0,y_m)
    wave.findFreq(99)

```

C Code for exercise 6:

```

# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
Created on Sun May 07 21:57:55 2017

@author: dulte
"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

```

```

class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T, N, dt, dx):

        """Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
        if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
            print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
            exit()

        """Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""
        if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
            print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt to large!"
            exit()

        self.edges = edges
        self.m = m
        self.k = k
        self.N = N
        self.dx = dx
        self.dt = dt
        self.T = T

        self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
        self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as
                                     difficult

    def solve(self, y, y_prev, plot = True):

        M=1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

        self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

        """ Im setting y_i^- for the first timestep in the last timestep,
        this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
        (since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
        self.y[:, -1] = np.copy(y_prev)

        if self.edges == "reflective":
            self.ms[0] = float(M) #Givs the endpoint there 'infinite' mass
            self.ms[-1] = float(M)

        """This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
        self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

        for t in xrange(self.T-1):

            self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
                t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
            self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
                self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
                self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

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        self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
        [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
        -1]

def calcTotalEnergy(self):
    KE = np.zeros((self.N,self.T))
    """Special cases for the end times"""
    KE[:,0] = 0.5*self.ms*((self.y[:,0] - self.y[:,1])/(self.dt))**2)
    KE[:, -1] = 0.5*self.ms*((self.y[:, -1] - self.y[:, -2])/(self.dt))
    **2)
    """KE with symmetric difference quotient"""
    for t in xrange(1,T-1):
        v = (self.y[:,t+1] - self.y[:,t-1])/(2*self.dt)
        KE[:,t] = 0.5*self.ms*(v**2)

    U = np.zeros((self.N,self.T))
    U = 0.5*self.k*(self.y[1:,:]-self.y[-1,:])**2

    plt.plot(np.arange(self.T)*dt,np.sum(KE,axis = 0))
    plt.plot(np.arange(self.T)*dt,np.sum(U,axis = 0))
    plt.plot(np.arange(self.T)*dt,np.sum(KE,axis = 0) + np.sum(U,axis =
    0))
    plt.title("Energy", fontsize = 25)
    plt.xlabel("Time [s]", fontsize = 25)
    plt.ylabel("Energy [J]", fontsize = 25)
    plt.legend(["Kinetic","Potential","Total"])
    plt.show()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2

    dt = 1*np.sqrt(m/k)

    dx = 1

    N = 200

    T = 300
    edges = "reflective"

    i = np.arange(N)

    y0 = np.sin(7*np.pi*i/float(N-1))
    y_m = np.copy(y0)

    wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)

    wave.solve(y0,y_m)

    wave.calcTotalEnergy()

```


D Code for exercise 7:

```

# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
Created on Mon May 08 17:18:47 2017

@author: dultte
"""
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T, N, dt, dx):

        """Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
        if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
            print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
            exit()

        """Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""
        if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
            print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt too large!"
            exit()

        self.edges = edges
        self.m = m
        self.k = k
        self.N = N
        self.dx = dx
        self.dt = dt
        self.T = T

        self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
        self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as
        difficult

    def solve(self, y, y_prev, plot = True):

        M = 1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

        self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

        """ Im setting y_i^- for the first timestep in the last timestep,
        this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
        (since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
        self.y[:, -1] = np.copy(y_prev)

        if self.edges == "reflective":
            self.ms[0] = float(M) #Gives the endpoint there 'infinite' mass

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        self.ms[-1] = float(M)

        """This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
        self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

        for t in xrange(self.T-1):

            self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
                t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
            self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
                self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
                self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

            self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
                [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
                -1]

        """Method takes either a list of frames one wants to plot, or just a
            single frame.
            Set animate to true if you want to animate(is somewhat unstable, so may
            get errors,
            and dont seem to work on iOS)"""
        def plotWave(self, frames, animate = False):
            if animate:
                fig = plt.figure()
                animationImages = []
                for t in range(self.T):
                    animationImages.append(plt.plot(self.y[:,t], 'r'))

                ani = anim.ArtistAnimation(fig, animationImages, interval = self.
                    dt*1000, blit = True)
                #self.fig.show()
                plt.show()

            try:
                for f in frames:
                    if f > self.T:
                        continue
                    plt.plot(self.y[:,f])
                    plt.title("String at timestep %g" %f, fontsize = 25)
                    plt.xlabel("Position [x\Delta x]", fontsize = 25)
                    plt.ylabel("Amplitude", fontsize = 25)
                    plt.show()
            except:
                if frames > self.T:
                    return
                plt.plot(self.y[:,frames])
                plt.title("String at timestep %g" %frames, fontsize = 25)
                plt.xlabel("Position [x\Delta x]", fontsize = 25)
                plt.ylabel("Amplitude ", fontsize = 25)
                plt.show()

    def intialConditions(y,N):

        for i in range(N):

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        if i >= 70 and i <= 99:
            y[i] = (i-69)/30.
        elif i >= 100 and i <= 128:
            y[i] = (129- i)/30.
        else:
            y[i] = 0

if __name__ == "__main__":
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2
    dt = .1*np.sqrt(m/k)
    dx = 1
    N = 200
    T = 4000
    edges = "reflective"

    y0 = np.zeros(N)
    y_m = np.zeros(N)

    intialConditions(y0,N)
    y_m=np.copy(y0)

    wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)

    wave.solve(y0,y_m)

    wave.plotWave(frames = [0,100,200,500,2000,1500],animate = False)

```

E Code for exercise 8:

```

# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
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@author: dulte
"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T,N, dt,dx):

        """Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
        if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
            print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
            exit()

        """Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""

```

```

if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
    print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt to large!"
    exit()

self.edges = edges
self.m = m
self.k = k
self.N = N
self.dx = dx
self.dt = dt
self.T = T

self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as default

def solve(self,y,y_prev,plot = True):

    M=1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

    self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

    """ Im setting y_i^- for the first timestep in the last timestep,
    this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
    (since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
    self.y[:,-1] = np.copy(y_prev)

    if self.edges == "reflective":
        self.ms[0] = float(M) #Givs the endpoint there 'infinite' mass
        self.ms[-1] = float(M)

    """This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
    self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

    for t in xrange(self.T-1):

        self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
            t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
        self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
            self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
            self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

        self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
            [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
            -1]

    """Method takes either a list of frames one wants to plot, or just a
    single frame.

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Set animate to true if you want to animate(is somewhat unstable, so may
get errors,
and dont seem to work on iOS)"""
def plotWave(self, frames, animate = False):
    if animate:
        fig = plt.figure()
        animationImages = []
        for t in range(self.T):
            animationImages.append(plt.plot(self.y[:,t], 'r'))

        ani = anim.ArtistAnimation(fig, animationImages, interval = self.
            dt*1000, blit = True)
        #self.fig.show()
        plt.show()

    try:
        for f in frames:
            if f > self.T:
                continue
            plt.plot(self.y[:,f])
            plt.title("String at timestep %g" %f, fontsize = 25)
            plt.xlabel("Position [x]", fontsize = 25)
            plt.ylabel("Amplitude", fontsize = 25)
            plt.show()
    except:
        if frames > self.T:
            return
        plt.plot(self.y[:,frames])
        plt.title("String at timestep %g" %frames, fontsize = 25)
        plt.xlabel("Position [x]", fontsize = 25)
        plt.ylabel("Amplitude ", fontsize = 25)
        plt.show()

def intialConditions(y,N):

    for i in xrange(N):

        if i >= 2 and i <= 31:
            y[i] = (i-1)/30.
        elif i >= 32 and i <= 61:
            y[i] = (61- i)/30.
        else:
            y[i] = 0

def prevIntialConditions(y,yp,dt,k,m,N):

    for i in xrange(N):

        if i >= 1 and i <= 30:
            yp[i] = y[i] + 1/30.*dt*np.sqrt(k/m)
        elif i >= 31 and i <= 60:
            yp[i] = y[i] - 1/30.*dt*np.sqrt(k/m)
        else:
            y[i] = 0

```

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if __name__ == "__main__":
    """Declare variables"""
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2

    #dt = .5*np.sqrt(m/k)#Use for method 2
    dt = 1*np.sqrt(m/k) #Use for method 1
    dx = 1

    N = 200

    T = 1200
    edges = "reflective"

    """Makes the initial- and pre-initial conditions"""
    y0 = np.zeros(N)
    y_m = np.zeros(N)

    intialConditions(y0,N)
    prevIntialConditions(y0,y_m,dt,k,m,N)

    """For plotting the initial and pre-initial conditions"""
    plt.plot(y0)
    plt.plot(y_m)
    plt.title("Initial and pre-initial wave.", fontsize = 25)
    plt.xlabel("Position [x]", fontsize = 25)
    plt.ylabel("Amplitude ", fontsize = 25)
    plt.legend(["Initial","Pre-initial"])
    plt.show()

    """Solves the wave equation and analyse the resulats"""
    wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)

    wave.solve(y0,y_m)
    wave.plotWave(frames = [0,125,200,400], animate = False) #Use for method
    1
    #wave.plotWave(frames = [0,250,400,800], animate = False) #Use for
    method 2

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F Code for exercise 9:

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# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
"""
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"""

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as anim
import seaborn
from scipy.signal import argrelextrema

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class waveSolver:

    def __init__(self, edges, m, k, T, N, dt, dx):

        """Checks if legal option for ending is given"""
        if edges != "open" and edges != "reflective":
            print "That is not a valid type of boundary condition!"
            exit()

        """Checks if dt fulfills the convergence conditions"""
        if dt > np.sqrt(float(m)/float(k)):
            print "m,k and dt are chosen in a way that makes dt to large!"
            exit()

        self.edges = edges
        self.m = m
        self.k = k
        self.N = N
        self.dx = dx
        self.dt = dt
        self.T = T

        self.y = np.zeros((N,T))
        self.ms = np.ones(N)*self.m #Array of masses. Constant mass set as
                                     difficult

    def solve(self, y, y_prev, plot = True):

        M=1e10 #'infinite' mass of the endpoints

        self.y[:,0] = np.copy(y)

        """ Im setting y_i^- for the first timestep in the last timestep,
        this way we dont need any special treatment of this step
        (since '-1' is the last position of an array in python)"""
        self.y[:, -1] = np.copy(y_prev)

        if self.edges == "reflective":
            self.ms[0] = float(M) #Givs the endpoint there 'infinite' mass
            self.ms[-1] = float(M)

        """This factor is predefined to save computational time"""
        self.factor = (self.dt**2/(self.ms))*self.k

        for t in xrange(self.T-1):

            self.y[0,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[0]))*(self.k*self.y[1,
                t] - self.k*self.y[0,t] )+2*self.y[0,t] - self.y[0,t-1]
            self.y[self.N-1,t+1] = (self.dt**2/float(self.ms[self.N-1]))*(-
                self.k*self.y[self.N-1,t] + self.k*self.y[self.N-2,t])+2*
                self.y[self.N-1,t] - self.y[self.N-1,t-1]

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        self.y[1:-1,t+1] = self.factor[1:-1]*(self.y[2:,t] - 2*self.y
        [1:-1,t] + self.y[0:-2,t])+2*self.y[1:-1,t] - self.y[1:-1,t
        -1]

"""Method takes either a list of frames one wants to plot, or just a
    single frame.
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    if animate:
        fig = plt.figure()
        animationImages = []
        for t in range(self.T):
            animationImages.append(plt.plot(self.y[:,t], 'r'))

        ani = anim.ArtistAnimation(fig, animationImages, interval = self.
            dt*1000, blit = True)
        #self.fig.show()
        plt.show()

    try:
        for f in frames:
            if f > self.T:
                continue
            plt.plot(self.y[:,f])
            plt.title("String at timestep %g" %f, fontsize = 25)
            plt.xlabel("Position [x\Delta x]", fontsize = 25)
            plt.ylabel("Amplitude", fontsize = 25)
            plt.show()
    except:
        if frames > self.T:
            return
        plt.plot(self.y[:,frames])
        plt.title("String at timestep %g" %frames, fontsize = 25)
        plt.xlabel("Position [x\Delta x]", fontsize = 25)
        plt.ylabel("Amplitude ", fontsize = 25)
        plt.show()

def findImpedance(self, timestep, massFactor):
    T = np.max(self.y[:, timestep])/np.max(self.y[:,0])
    R = np.min(self.y[:, timestep])/np.max(self.y[:,0])
    analytT = 2./T - 1
    analytR = (1-R)/(1+R)
    print "Numerical Impedance Difference From R = ", analytR
    print "Numerical Impedance Difference From T = ", analytT
    print "Analytic = ", np.sqrt(massFactor)

"""Changes the masses after a given index, by a given factor.
    Default values are the values given in the exercise"""

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def makeDifferentMass(self, diffMassFromIndex=200, massFactor=3):
    self.ms[diffMassFromIndex:] = massFactor*self.m

def intialConditions(y,N):

    for i in range(N):

        if i >= 2 and i <= 31:
            y[i] = (i-1)/30.
        elif i >= 32 and i <= 60:
            y[i] = (61-i)/30.
        else:
            y[i] = 0

if __name__ == "__main__":
    m = 0.02 #kg
    k = 10. #kg/s^2

    dt = 1*np.sqrt(m/k)

    dx = 1

    N = 400

    T = 300
    edges = "reflective"

    y0 = np.zeros(N)
    y_m = np.zeros(N)

    intialConditions(y0,N)

    y_m[1:61] = np.copy(y0[2:62])

    wave = waveSolver(edges,m,k,T,N,dt,dx)
    wave.makeDifferentMass(200,3)

    wave.solve(y0,y_m)
    wave.plotWave(frames = [0,280],animate = False)

    wave.findImpedance(280,3)
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