

Muddiest Points from Class 01/25

- “Can PADE schemes be created with a stencil of 4 or more points?”
 - yes, it can be done with any stencil. However the resulting matrix will not be tri-diagonal and thus more expensive to solve
- “In a Taylor table, how do you know how many and which columns you can set to zero?”
 - the number of columns to set to zero is equal to the number of coefficients a_i starting with the left-most
- “I do not understand how to store the three diagonal rows from the tri diagonal matrix into their own separate vectors. Do you create a loop, or is there a built in function in matlab, fortran, or c/c++ that we use?”

- First **allocate** the variable and then use a loop or an implied loop

- Example for Matlab

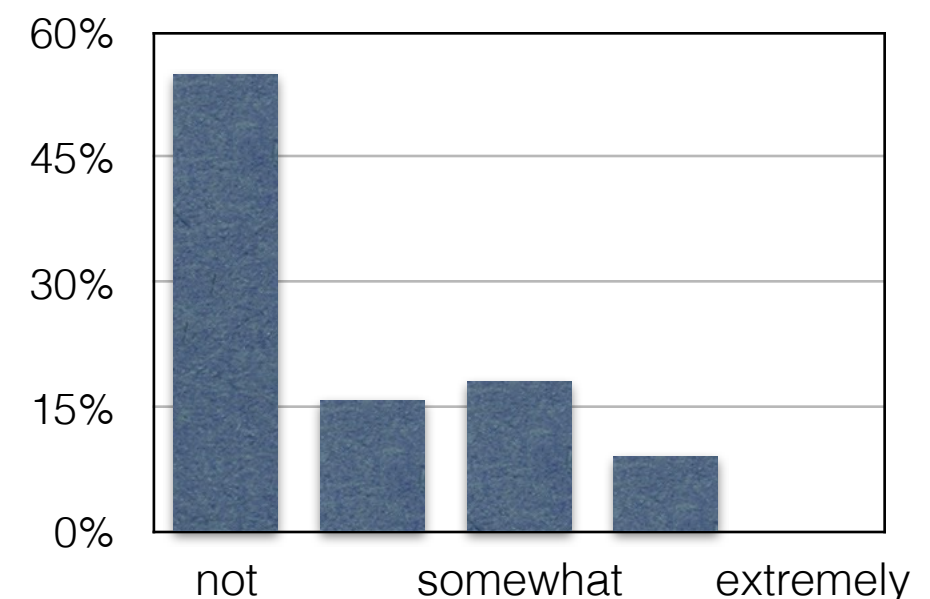
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b = 4*ones(P,1);
b(1) = 1;
b(P) = 1;
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- Example for Fortran

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allocate(b(P))
b(1) = 1
b(2:P-1) = 4
b(P) = 1
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- “What does PADE stand for? (used on slide 7, 8, 12, etc)”
- “what is “PADE”?”

- The name goes back to the French mathematician Henri Padé, who first developed the approach in 1890



- Let's revisit the error of the PADE scheme
- How to calculate error measures for more than 1 mesh point, i.e. the entire mesh

1. calculate error at each mesh point

$$e_i = f'_{exact} - f'_i \quad i = 0 \dots N$$

2. calculate error norms

$$L_\infty = \max_{i=0 \dots N} |e_i| \quad L_1 = \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N |e_i| \quad L_2 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^N e_i^2}$$

3. calculate observed order of accuracy o by comparing 2 grids with mesh spacing h_1 and h_2 and error norms $L(h_1)$ and $L(h_2)$

$$o = \frac{\log \frac{L(h_1)}{L(h_2)}}{\log \frac{h_1}{h_2}}$$

- ▶ usually done for grids with spacing ratios of $h_2/h_1 = 2$

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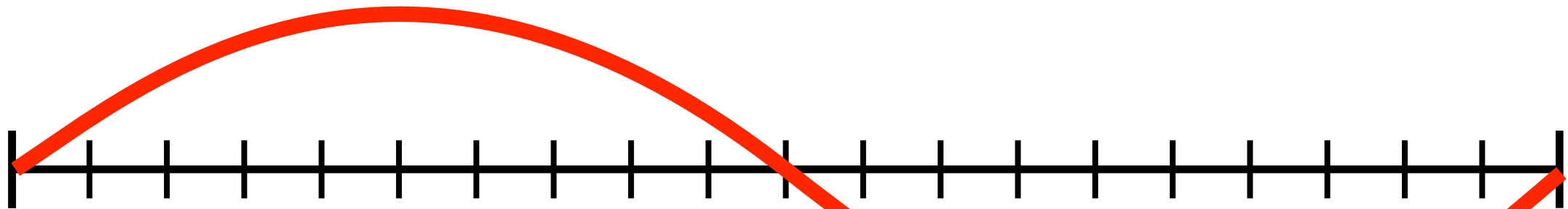
- recall we had a 4-th order formula in the interior and 3-rd order formulas at the boundaries
- if we consider only the infinity-norm, PADE will be order 3
- if we consider the 1-norm, PADE will be approximately order 4
- if we consider the 2-norm, PADE will be approximately order 3.5

Why?

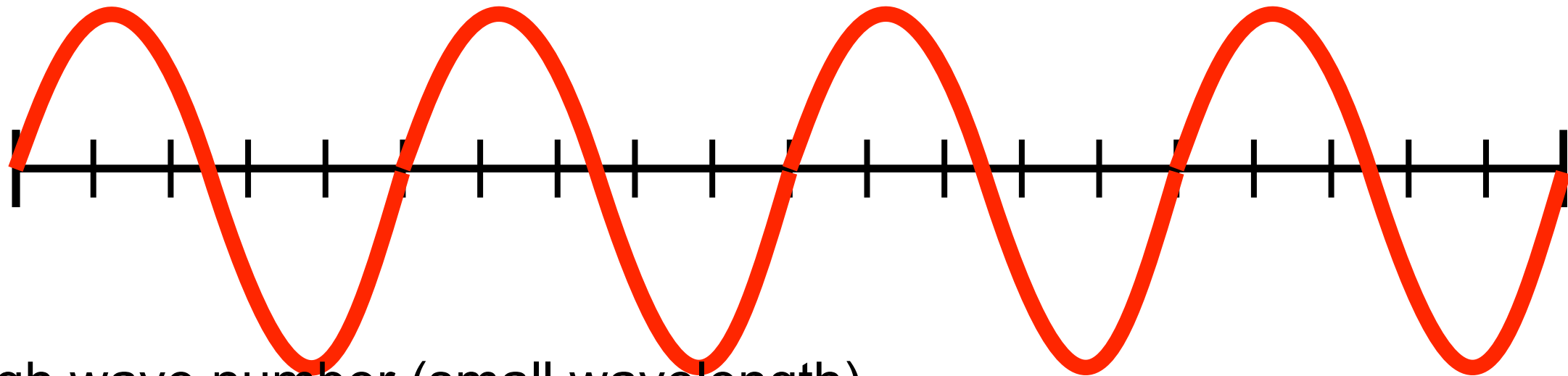
- 1- and 2-norms are averages
- only the 2 boundary points out of N+1 total points are order 3
- however, the 2-norm weighs larger error more due to the square
- there will be some limited “cross-pollution” due to the coupled system

- So far: We can construct finite difference formulas for a given stencil and determine the **formal order of accuracy**
- Recap: Formal order of accuracy tells us by how much the error decreases if we refine the mesh
- That's good, but we would also like to know how good these formulas are for certain classes of special functions
- What special functions? **sinusoidals**
- Why?
 - ▶ because sinusoidals are orthogonal basis functions (FFT)
 - ▶ can express any function as sum of sinusoidals (discontinuous functions are problematic, though)
 - ▶ some CFD methods (spectral methods) are based on sinusoidals

- Examples:



small wave number (large wavelength)
⇒ many grid points per wavelength
⇒ well resolved



high wave number (small wavelength)
⇒ few grid points per wavelength
⇒ poorly resolved

• Modified Wave Number

- ▶ consider a pure harmonic function:

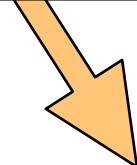
$$f(x) = e^{ikx}$$

i : imaginary number: $i = \sqrt{-1}$

k : wave number: $k = \frac{2\pi}{L}n, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{2}$

L : domain length

Nyquist
frequency



- ▶ exact derivative is:

$$f'(x) = ike^{ikx} = ikf(x)$$

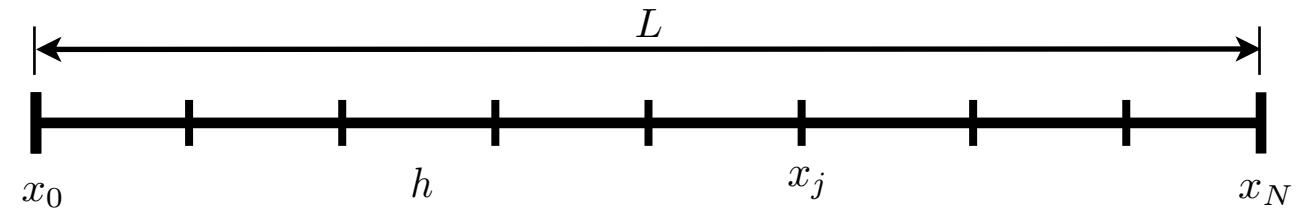
this is the reason why Fourier (spectral) methods are popular:
One can calculate the **exact** derivative in Fourier space!

- ▶ but, we are using finite differences! What's the derivative of $f(x)$ then?
- ▶ Example: 2nd-order central difference for first derivative
- ▶ Note: modified wave number analysis works for higher derivatives as well!

► Example: 2nd-order central differences

$$f(x) = e^{ikx} \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{L}n$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_j} \approx \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h}$$



$$h = \frac{L}{N}, \quad x_j = \frac{L}{N}j$$

$$f_j = e^{ikx_j} = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{L}n\frac{L}{N}j} = e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}j}$$

$$f_{j+1} = e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}(j+1)}$$

$$f_{j-1} = e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}(j-1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_j} &\approx \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h} = \frac{e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}(j+1)} - e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}(j-1)}}{2h} = \frac{e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}} - e^{-i\frac{2\pi n}{N}}}{2h} e^{i\frac{2\pi n}{N}j} \\ &= \frac{2i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right)}{2h} f_j = i \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right)}{h} f_j = ik' f_j \end{aligned}$$

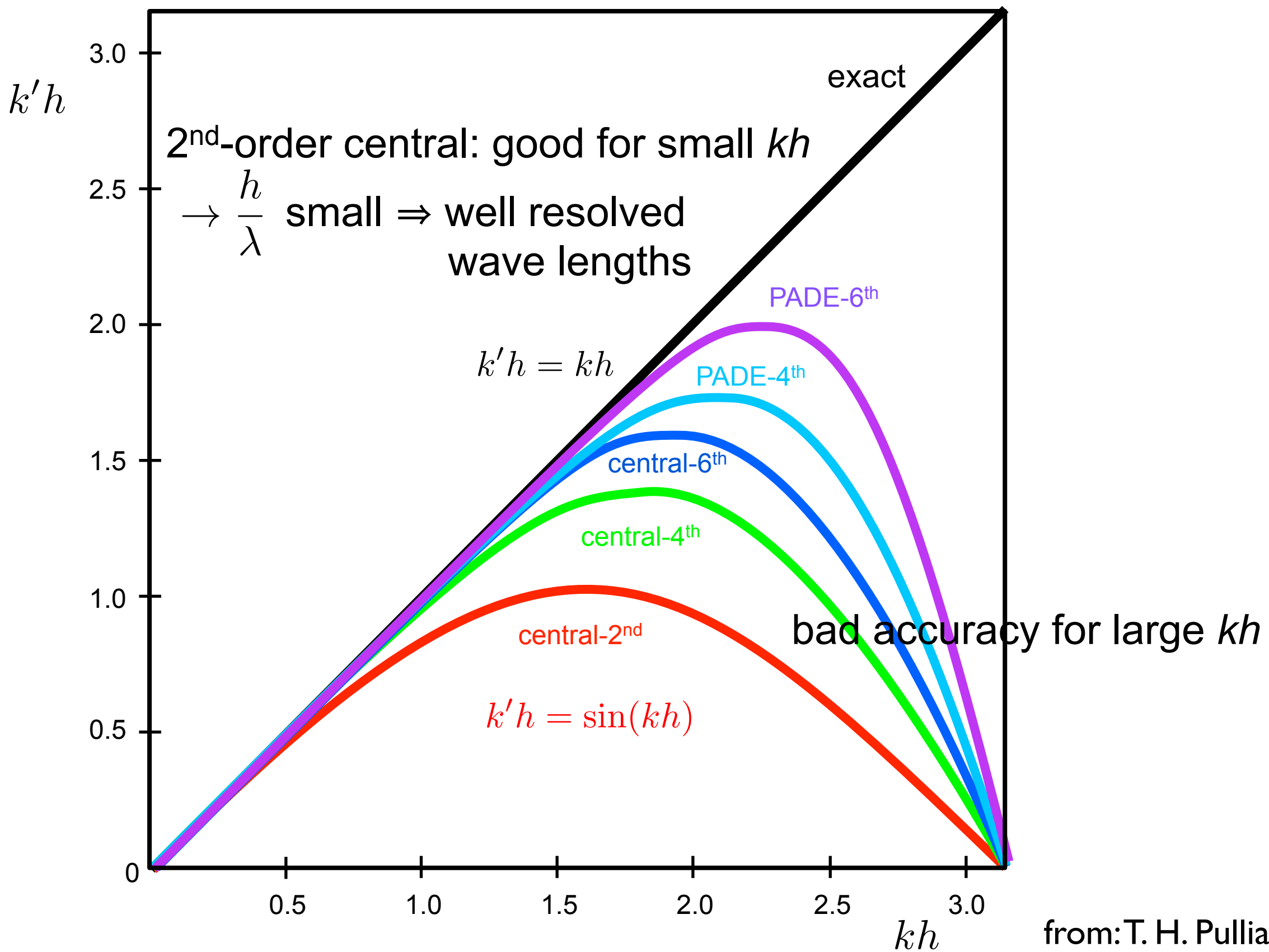
$$k' = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi n}{N}\right)}{h} = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2\pi n}{L} \frac{L}{N}\right)}{h} = \frac{\sin(kh)}{h}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{x_j} \approx ik' f_j \quad \text{with} \quad k' = \frac{\sin(kh)}{h}$$

recall: exact derivative

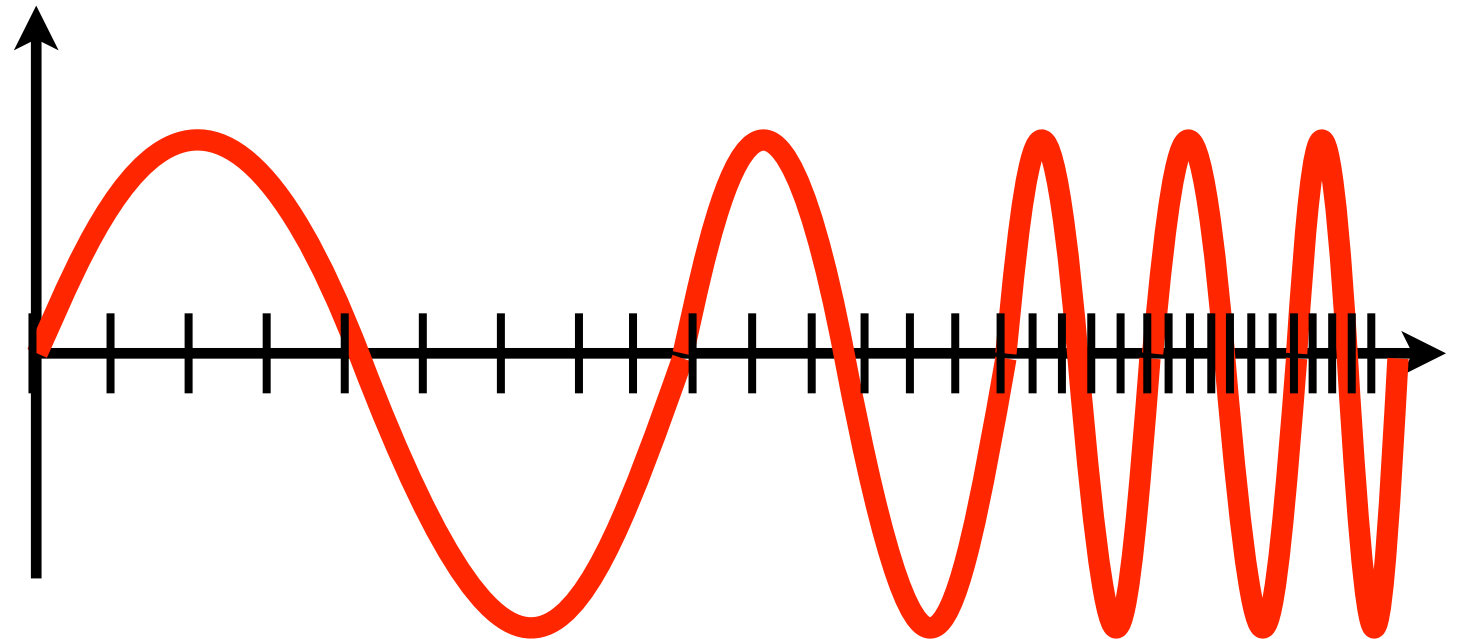
$$f'(x) = ik f(x)$$

► Plot $k'h$ vs kh : Modified wave number plot

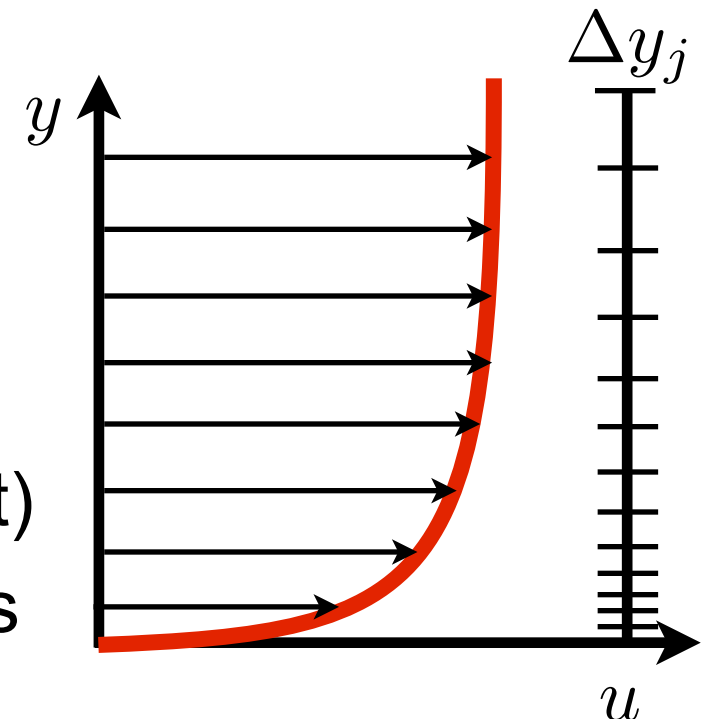


Non-Uniform Grids

► Example Scenario:



- from modified wave number analysis we know we would like kh to be small
- but not too small for efficiency reasons! (as $h \downarrow \Rightarrow N \uparrow$)
- Strategy: **make mesh spacing non-uniform!**
 - use large h where k is small
 - use small h where k is large
- Do we know *a-priori* where k will be small or large?
 - often times not \Rightarrow AMR (**A**daptive **M**esh **R**efinement)
 - but in some cases we do! example: boundary layers



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- How does this change the finite difference formulas?
 - Example: ‘central’-difference:

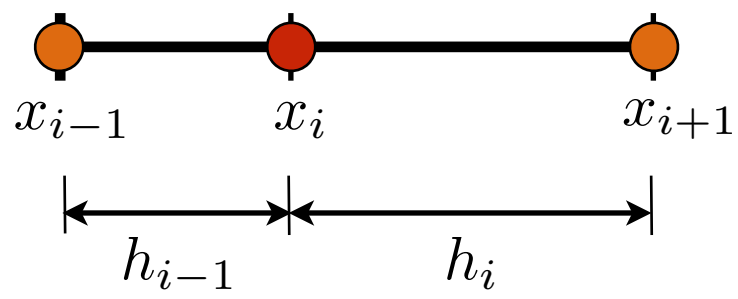
Taylor Table

$$f_i'' + a_0 f_i + a_1 f_{i+1} + a_2 f_{i-1} = O(?)$$

$$f_{i+1} = f_i + h_i f_i' + \frac{1}{2} h_i^2 f_i'' + \frac{1}{6} h_i^3 f_i''' + \dots$$

$$f_{i-1} = f_i - h_{i-1} f_i' + \frac{1}{2} h_{i-1}^2 f_i'' - \frac{1}{6} h_{i-1}^3 f_i''' + \dots$$

	f_i	f_i'	f_i''	f_i'''
f_i''	0	0	1	0
$a_0 f_i$	a_0	0	0	0
$a_1 f_{i+1}$	a_1	$a_1 h_i$	$\frac{a_1}{2} h_i^2$	$\frac{a_1}{6} h_i^3$
$a_2 f_{i-1}$	a_2	$-a_2 h_{i-1}$	$\frac{a_2}{2} h_{i-1}^2$	$-\frac{a_2}{6} h_{i-1}^3$
	= 0	= 0	= 0	= leading order error



$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1 + a_2 &= 0 \\ a_1 h_i - a_2 h_{i-1} &= 0 \\ 1 + \frac{a_1}{2} h_i^2 - \frac{a_2}{2} h_{i-1}^2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solve:

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= \frac{2}{h_{i-1} h_i} \\ a_1 &= -\frac{2}{h_i (h_{i-1} + h_i)} \\ a_2 &= -\frac{2}{h_{i-1} (h_{i-1} + h_i)} \end{aligned}$$

Substitute in:

$$f_i'' = \frac{2}{h_i (h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i+1} - \frac{2}{h_i h_{i-1}} f_i + \frac{2}{h_{i-1} (h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i-1} + \frac{1}{3} (h_{i-1} - h_i) f_i''' + \dots$$

Non-Uniform Grids

- Drawback:
 - non-uniform grid approximations tend to be of lower order accuracy
 - Why? because higher order Taylor series terms no longer cancel

- Back to example:

$$f_i'' = \frac{2}{h_i(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i+1} - \frac{2}{h_i h_{i-1}} f_i + \frac{2}{h_{i-1}(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i-1} + \frac{1}{3}(h_{i-1} - h_i) f_i''' + \dots$$

$$f_i'' = \frac{2}{h_{i-1}(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i-1} - \frac{2}{h_i h_{i-1}} f_i + \frac{2}{h_i(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i+1} + O(h)$$

- this is only 1st order accurate!

What if h is constant? $h_{i-1} = h_i = h$

$$f_i'' = \frac{2}{h(h + h)} f_{i+1} - \frac{2}{h \cdot h} f_i + \frac{2}{h(h + h)} f_{i-1} + \frac{1}{3}(h - h) f_i''' + \dots$$

$$= \frac{f_{i+1} - 2f_i + f_{i-1}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$

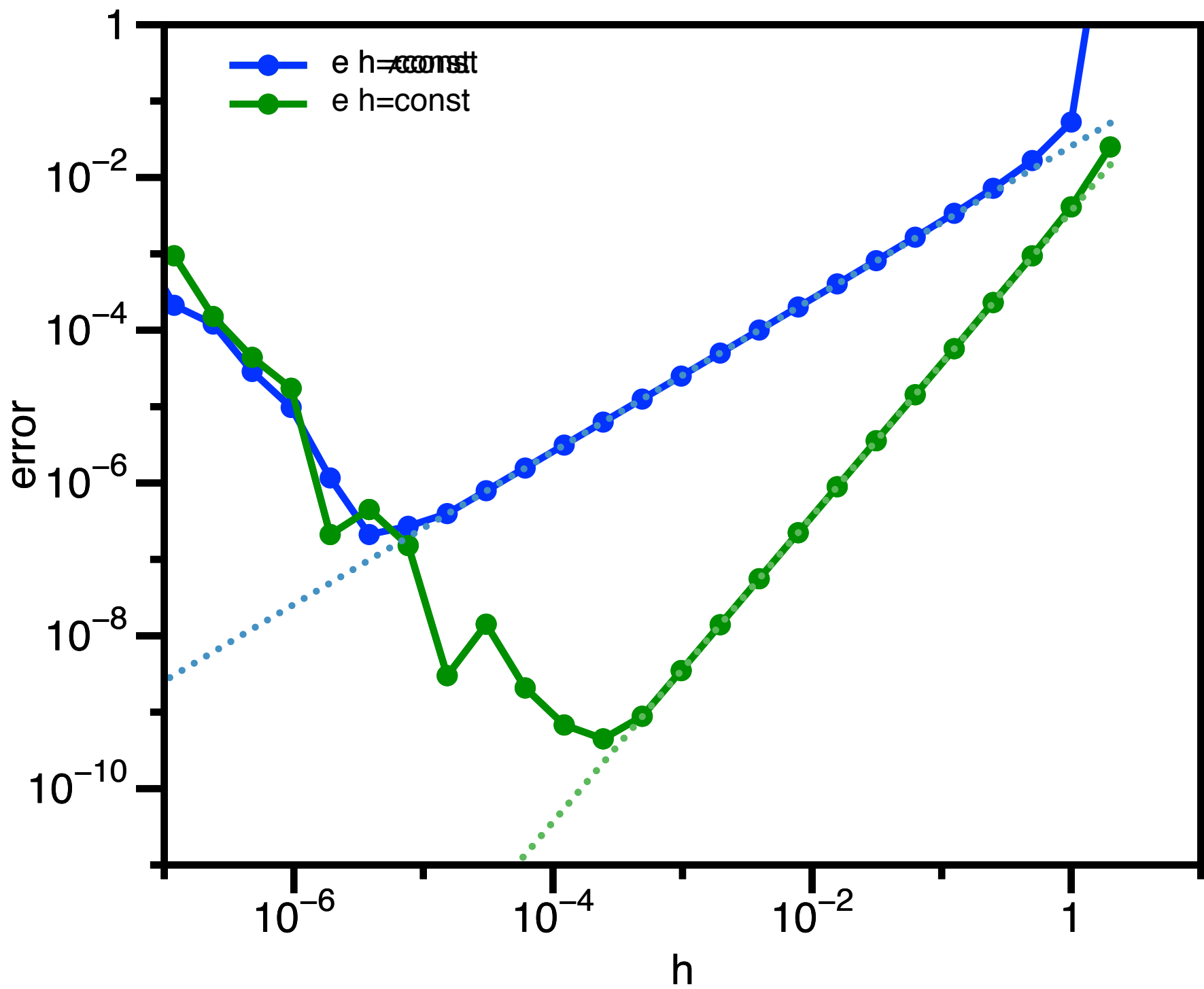
- uniform mesh formula for f'' is second order!

Example:

$$f(x) = \frac{1 + x \sin x}{x^3}$$

$$f''(x = 3.9)$$

$$h = h_i = \frac{1}{2} h_{i-1}$$



$$f''_i = \frac{f_{i+1} - 2f_i + f_{i-1}}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$

$$f''_i = \frac{2}{h_i(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i+1} - \frac{2}{h_i h_{i-1}} f_i + \frac{2}{h_{i-1}(h_{i-1} + h_i)} f_{i-1} + O(h)$$

- How does one decide where to refine the mesh?

Two methods:

Method A (from modified wave number analysis):

1. do Fourier transform on local patches
2. if amplitude of highest wave number > threshold \Rightarrow refine patch

Method B (from Taylor series analysis)

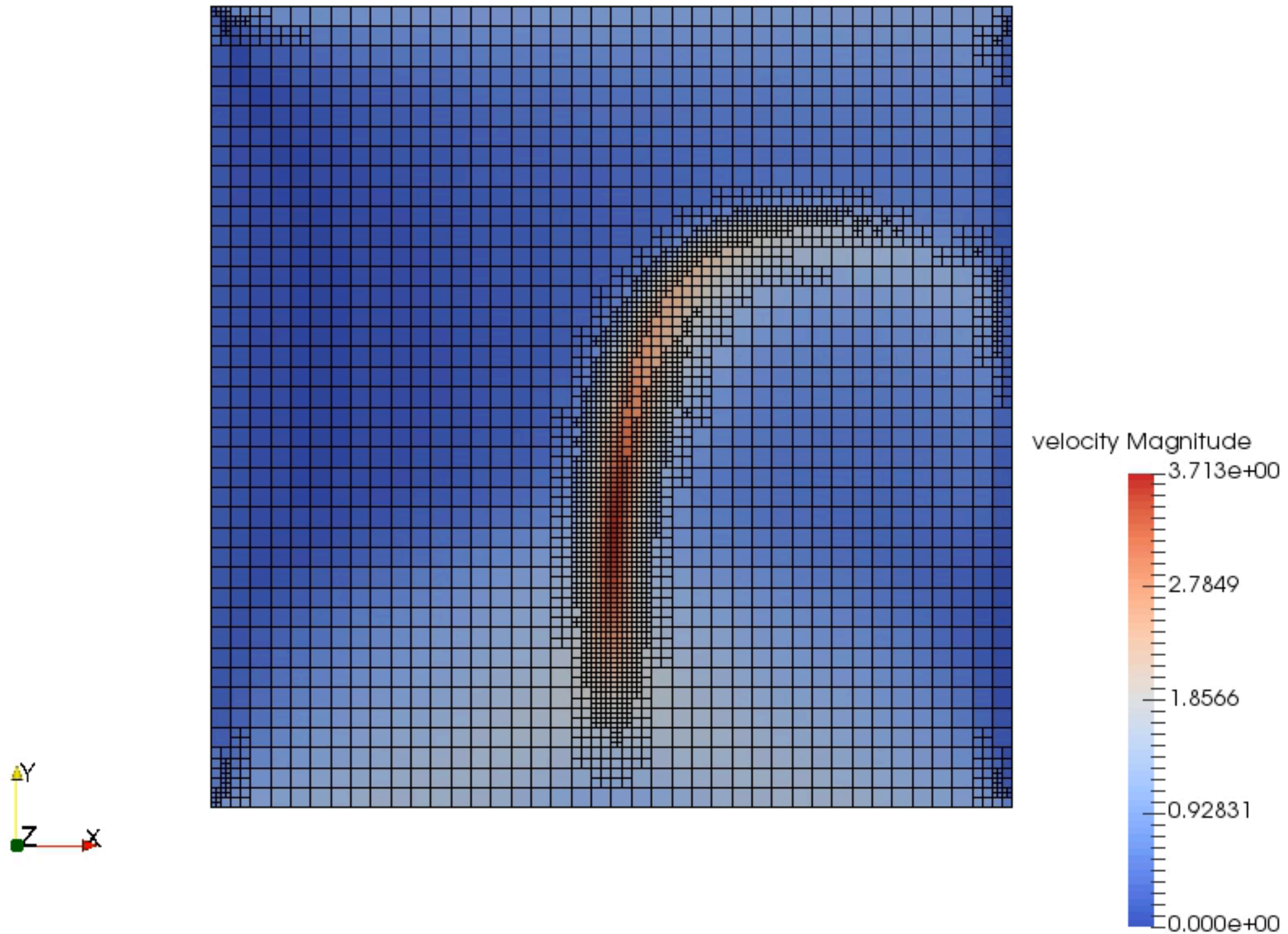
1. estimate leading order error term
2. refine mesh, where estimated error > threshold

Example:

$$f_i'' = \frac{f_i - 2f_{i-1} + f_{i-2}}{h^2} + hf_i''' + \dots$$

1. estimate leading order error term using finite differences for f_i''' : $e_i \approx hf_i'''$
2. change h to $h_i \approx \frac{e_{OK}}{f_i'''}$

Method B example (using HW case from later in the semester)



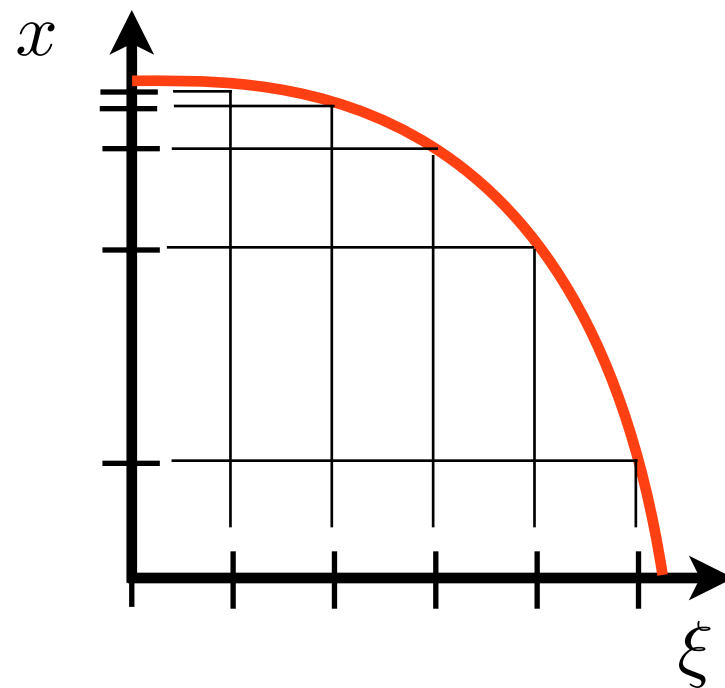
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- Alternative: Coordinate transformations

- Example:

$$\xi = \arccos(x) \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad 0 \leq \xi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

- equal spacing in ξ : $\xi_i = \frac{\pi}{2N}i \Rightarrow$ non-uniform spacing in x_i



Non-Uniform Grids

- Alternative: Coordinate transformations

- in general:

$$\xi = g(x)$$

- chain rule: $\frac{df}{dx} =$

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{df}{dx} \right)$$

- use finite difference approximations for uniform meshes for $df/d\xi$, $d^2f/d\xi^2$
- use exact analytical derivatives for g' , g'' , ..., if g is a known function