

Perform stability analysis for the following discretizations of the heat equation. You can assume a cubic domain. In other words, calculate the 1-step growth rates for:

### 5. 2D and 3D FTCS (10 pts)

#### 2D FTCS:

$$\frac{u_{a,b}^{n+1} - u_{a,b}^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a+1,b}^n) + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} (U_{a,b-1}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a,b+1}^n)$$

Let  $U_{a,b}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1 G^n e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_2 G^n e^{ika\Delta x}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} &= \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) + \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y}) \right] \\ &= \left[ 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta y$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1$  and  $\frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2$

Worst case:  $\cos = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - 8C &\leq 1 \\ -2 &\leq -8C \leq 0 \\ 1 &\geq 4C \geq 0 \\ C &\leq \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

### 3D FTCS:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{a,b,c}^{n+1} - u_{a,b,c}^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a+1,b,c}^n) + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} (U_{a,b-1,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b+1,c}^n) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_3}{\Delta z^2} (U_{a,b,c-1}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b,c+1}^n) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $U_{a,b,c}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1 G^n e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x}) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_2 G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y}) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_3 G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik(c-1)\Delta z} - 2e^{ikc\Delta z} + e^{ik(c+1)\Delta z}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} &= \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) + \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y}) + \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik\Delta z} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta z}) \right] \\ &= \left[ 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (\cos(k\Delta z) - 1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1$  and  $\frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2$  and  $\frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = C_3$

Worst case:  $\cos = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - 12C &\leq 1 \\ -2 &\leq -12C \leq 0 \\ 1 &\geq 6C \geq 0 \\ C &\leq \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

## 6. 1D, 2D, and 3D BECS (10 pts)

### 1D BECS:

$$\frac{u_a^{n+1} - u_a^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_a^n + U_{a+1}^n)$$

$$\frac{u_{a,b}^{n+1} - u_{a,b}^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a+1,b}^n) + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} (U_{a,b-1}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a,b+1}^n)$$

Let  $U_{a,b}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x}$

$$\frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n)e^{ika\Delta x}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1 G^n}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x})$$

$$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - 2\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)}$$

Let  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C$

Cos lies between -1 and 1

$$1 - 2C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) \geq 1$$

$$2C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) \leq 0$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be between 0 and 1

1D BECS is unconditionally stable

### 2D BECS:

$$\frac{u_{a,b}^{n+1} - u_{a,b}^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a+1,b}^n) + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} (U_{a,b-1}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a,b+1}^n)$$

Let  $U_{a,b}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n)e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1 G^n e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_2 G^n e^{ika\Delta x}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) - \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - 2\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) - 2\frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1)}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta y$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1 = \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2 = C$

Cos lies between -1 and 1

$$1 - 4C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 4) \geq 1$$

$$4C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 4) \leq 0$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be between 0 and 1

2D BECS is unconditionally stable

### 3D BECS:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{a,b,c}^{n+1} - u_{a,b,c}^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} (U_{a-1,b,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a+1,b,c}^n) + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} (U_{a,b-1,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b+1,c}^n) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_3}{\Delta z^2} (U_{a,b,c-1}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b,c+1}^n) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $U_{a,b,c}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1 G^n e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_2 G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_3 G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik(c-1)\Delta z} - 2e^{ikc\Delta z} + e^{ik(c+1)\Delta z}) \\ \frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) - \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y}) - \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik\Delta z} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta z})} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - 2\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) - 2\frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1) - 2\frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (\cos(k\Delta z) - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3$ ,  $\Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1 = \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2 = \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = C_3 = C$

Cos lies between -1 and 1

$$1 - 2C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 6) \geq 1$$

$$2C(\cos(k\Delta x) - 6) \leq 0$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be between 0 and 1

3D BECS is unconditionally stable

## 7. 1D, 2D, and 3D Crank-Nicolson (10 pts)

### 1D CN:

$$\frac{u_a^{n+1} - u_a^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} [(U_{a-1}^{n+1} - 2U_a^{n+1} + U_{a+1}^{n+1}) + (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a+1,b}^n)]$$

Let  $U_{a,b,c}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x}$

$$\frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n)e^{ika\Delta x}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1(G^{n+1} + G^n)}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x})$$

$$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} = \frac{1 + \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x})}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x})}$$

$$= \frac{1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)}{1 - 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1)}$$

Let  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1 = C$  and let  $\cos(k\Delta x)$  be between -1 and 1

$$\frac{1 - 2C}{1 + 2C} \leq 1$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be less than 1

1D CN is unconditionally stable

### 2D CN:

$$\frac{u_{a,b}^{n+1} - u_{a,b}^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} [(U_{a-1,b}^{n+1} - 2U_{a,b}^{n+1} + U_{a+1,b}^{n+1}) + (U_{a-1,b}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a+1,b}^n)]$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} [(U_{a,b-1}^{n+1} - 2U_{a,b}^{n+1} + U_{a,b+1}^{n+1}) + (U_{a,b-1}^n - 2U_{a,b}^n + U_{a,b+1}^n)]$$

Let  $U_{a,b,c}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}$

$$\frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n)e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\alpha_1(G^{n+1} + G^n)e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x})$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2(G^{n+1} + G^n)e^{ika\Delta x}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y})$$

$$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} = \frac{1 + \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) + \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y})}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) - \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y})}$$

$$= \frac{1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1)}{1 - 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) - 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1)}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2, \Delta x = \Delta y$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1 = \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2 = C$  and let  $\cos(k\Delta x)$  be between -1 and 1

$$\frac{1 - 4C}{1 + 4C} \leq 1$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be less than 1

2D CN is unconditionally stable

### 3D CN:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_{a,b,c}^{n+1} - u_{a,b,c}^n}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1}{\Delta x^2} [(U_{a-1,b,c}^{n+1} - 2U_{a,b,c}^{n+1} + U_{a+1,b,c}^{n+1}) + (U_{a-1,b,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a+1,b,c}^n)] \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_2}{\Delta y^2} [(U_{a,b-1,c}^{n+1} - 2U_{a,b,c}^{n+1} + U_{a,b+1,c}^{n+1}) + (U_{a,b-1,c}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b+1,c}^n)] \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_3}{\Delta z^2} [(U_{a,b,c-1}^{n+1} - 2U_{a,b,c}^{n+1} + U_{a,b,c+1}^{n+1}) + (U_{a,b,c-1}^n - 2U_{a,b,c}^n + U_{a,b,c+1}^n)] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $U_{a,b,c}^n = G^n e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(G^{n+1} - G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{\alpha_1 (G^{n+1} + G^n) e^{ikb\Delta y} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik(a-1)\Delta x} - 2e^{ika\Delta x} + e^{ik(a+1)\Delta x}) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_2 (G^{n+1} + G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikc\Delta z}}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik(b-1)\Delta y} - 2e^{ikb\Delta y} + e^{ik(b+1)\Delta y}) \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_3 (G^{n+1} + G^n) e^{ika\Delta x} e^{ikb\Delta y}}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik(c-1)\Delta z} - 2e^{ikc\Delta z} + e^{ik(c+1)\Delta z}) \\ \frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n} &= \frac{1 + \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) + \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y}) + \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik\Delta z} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta z})}{1 - \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (e^{ik\Delta x} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta x}) - \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (e^{ik\Delta y} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta y}) - \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (e^{ik\Delta z} - 2 + e^{-ik\Delta z})} \\ &= \frac{1 + 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1) + 2 \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (\cos(k\Delta z) - 1)}{1 - 2 \frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (\cos(k\Delta x) - 1) - 2 \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} (\cos(k\Delta y) - 1) - 2 \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} (\cos(k\Delta z) - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3, \Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z$ , so  $\frac{\alpha_1 \Delta t}{\Delta x^2} = C_1 = \frac{\alpha_2 \Delta t}{\Delta y^2} = C_2 = \frac{\alpha_3 \Delta t}{\Delta z^2} = C_3 = C$  and let  $\cos(k\Delta x)$  be between -1 and 1

$$\frac{1 - 6C}{1 + 6C} \leq 1$$

$$C \geq 0$$

$\frac{G^{n+1}}{G^n}$  will always be less than 1

3D CN is unconditionally stable