Global Exercise - 12

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1 A remark about the derivation from coupled to decoupled form of linear hyperbolic systems

1. Case 1: $W := R^{-1}U$ as the scheme shown in exercise

$$U_t + AU_x = 0$$

$$U_t + R\Lambda R^{-1}U_x = 0$$

$$R^{-1}U_t + \Lambda R^{-1}U_x = 0$$

$$W_t + \Lambda W_x = 0$$

where the matrix A is diagonalizable with a transformation matrix $R \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ in the form

$$A = R\Lambda R^{-1}$$
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2. Case 2: W := TU as the scheme shown in lecture note

$$U_t + AU_x = 0$$

$$U_t + T^{-1}\Lambda TU_x = 0$$

$$TU_t + \Lambda TU_x = 0$$

$$W_t + \Lambda W_x = 0$$

where the matrix A is diagonalizable with a transformation matrix $T \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$ in the form

$$A = T^{-1}\Lambda T.$$

Note in passing that both schemes result in the same solution. We have just to be consistent with which scheme to follow.

2 Correlation between Domain of dependence (DoD) and Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy (CFL) condition

Example 1. Examine the numerical domain of dependence of the One-sided method.

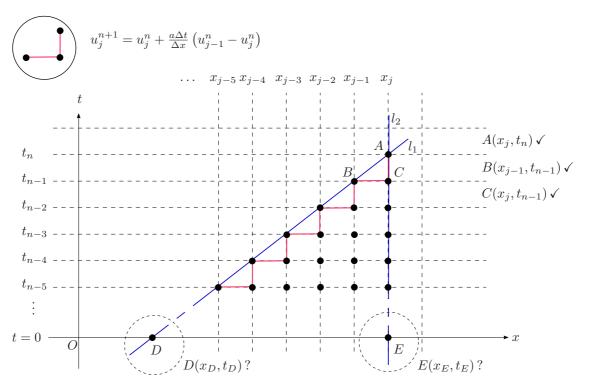


Figure 1: Numerical domain of dependence for One-sided method.

As it can be seen from Figure 2, the numerical value computed at point A depends essentially on computed initial conditions laying between point D and E.

1. Perspective of indical subscription:

Line (l_1) passing point A(j,n) and B(j-1,n-1) has the following form

$$(l_1): \quad \tau = \tau_A + \frac{\tau_B - \tau_A}{\xi_B - \xi_A} (\xi - \xi_A)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tau = n + \frac{(n-1) - n}{(j-1) - j} (\xi - j)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tau = n + \frac{-1}{-1} (\xi - j), \qquad (1)$$

where τ is the indical variable corresponding to t, and x the indical variable to x. Hence, line (l_1) passing line x with index $\tau = 0$ at point D leads to the following relation

$$\xi = j - n \Leftrightarrow x_{\xi} = x_{j-n} \Leftrightarrow x_{\xi} = x_j - n\Delta x \Leftrightarrow x_{\xi} - x_j = -n\Delta x. \tag{2}$$

Likewise, line (l_2) passing line x with index $\tau = 0$ at point E leads to the following relation

$$x_{\xi} - x_j = 0. \tag{3}$$

Therefore, by combining (2) and (3) we arrive at the numerical domain of dependence for the One-sided method in terms of indical perspective

$$\mathcal{D}_{\Delta t}(x_j, t_n) = \left\{ x_{\xi} \middle| - n\Delta x \le x_{\xi} - x_j \le 0 \right\}. \tag{4}$$

Next, by using the CFL number $\nu := a\Delta t/\Delta x$ we obtain the following equality

$$-n\Delta x = -n\Delta t \frac{a\Delta x}{a\Delta t} \stackrel{(CFL)}{=} -n\Delta t \frac{a}{\nu} = -\frac{at_n}{\nu}.$$
 (5)

Then, by substituting (5) into (4) with limit consideration we obtain the entire set of the numerical domain of dependence, as follows

$$\mathcal{D}_{\Delta t}(x_j, t_n) = \left\{ x \left| -\frac{at_n}{\nu} \le x - x_j \le 0 \right\} \right]. \tag{6}$$

Besides, the analytical domain of dependence for the linear advection PDE reads

$$\mathcal{D}(x_j, t_n) = \left\{ x \,\middle|\, x = x_j - at_n \right\}. \tag{7}$$

Futhermore, the CFL condition enforces that

$$\mathcal{D}(x_j, t_n) \subset \mathcal{D}_{\Delta t}(x_j, t_n), \qquad (8)$$

which implies that characteristics should lie with the triangular zone under line (l_1) and (l_2) , as shown in Figure 2. Therefore, substitution of (7) into (6) yields the CFL condition applied on the linear advection equation, as follows

$$-\frac{at_n}{\nu} \le (x_j - at_n) - x_j \le 0 \Leftrightarrow -\frac{at_n}{\nu} \le -at_n \le 0, \tag{9}$$

which, equally, leads to the CFL condtion

$$\therefore \quad 0 \le \nu \le 1 \Leftrightarrow 0 \le \Delta t \le \frac{\Delta x}{a}. \tag{10}$$

Herein, the CFL condition (10) leads to contraint on the time step Δt for the case when a > 0. Note in passing that ν is non-negative.

2. Perspective of fixed-point value:

Line (l_1) passing point $A(x_i, t_n)$ and $B(x_{i-1}, t_{n-1})$ has the following form

$$(l_1): \quad t = t_A + \frac{t_B - t_A}{x_B - x_A} (x - x_A) \Leftrightarrow t = t_n + \frac{t_{n-1} - t_n}{x_{j-1} - x_j} (x - x_j)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow t = t_n + \frac{-\Delta t}{-\Delta x} (x - x_j). \tag{11}$$

Hence, line (l_1) passing line t=0 at point D leads to the relation

$$x = x_j - \frac{t_n \Delta x}{\Delta t} \Leftrightarrow x - x_j = -\frac{t_n \Delta x}{\Delta t}.$$
 (12)

Likewise, line (l_2) passing line t=0 at point E leads to the relation

$$x - x_j = 0. (13)$$

Therefore, combination of (12) and (13) leads to the numerical domain of dependence for the One-sided method in terms of fixed-point value

$$\mathcal{D}_{\Delta t}(x_j, t_n) = \left\{ x \left| -\frac{t_n \Delta x}{\Delta t} \le x - x_j \le 0 \right\}.$$
 (14)

Example 2. Examine the numerical domain of dependence of the Lax-Wendroff method.

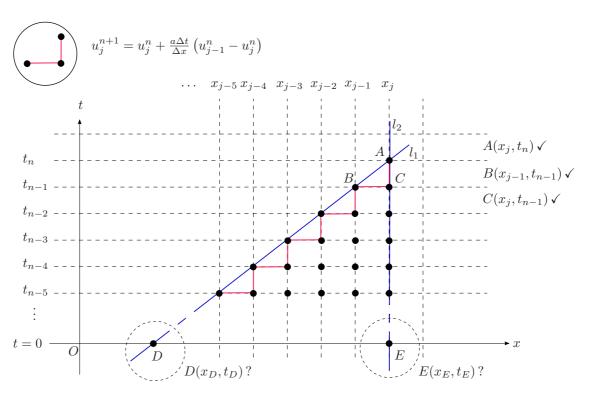


Figure 2: Numerical domain of dependence for One-sided method.

- 3 von Neumann stability
- 4 Conservative form
- 5 Comparison: Order of consistency
- 6 Godunov
- 7 TVD
- 8 Fourier transformation
- 9 Linearity Oder of consistency Stability
- 10 Time step methods: Comparison
 - 1. Upwind left One-sided method
 - 2. Upwind right One-sided method

- 3. Lax-Friedrichs
- 4. Lax-Wendroff
- 5. Leapfrog
- 6.

11 Remark about Rarefaction wave solution

Example 3. Show that for a general convex scalar problem

$$u_t + f(u)_x = 0$$

with initial condition in form of Riemann's problem

$$u(x,t=0) = \begin{cases} u_L, & x < 0, \\ u_R, & x > 0, \end{cases} \quad where \quad u_L < u_R,$$

the rarefaction wave solution is given by

$$u(x,t) = \begin{cases} u_L, & x/t < f'(u_L), \\ v(x/t), & f'(u_L) \le x/t \le f'(u_R), \\ u_R, & x/t > f'(u_R), \end{cases}$$

where $v(\xi)$ is the solution to $f'(v(\xi)) = \xi$.