

AMATH 353: Homework 4

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Part 1.) With some slight rearrangement we have:

$$u(x, t) = \frac{3}{1 + \cos^2(7(x - \frac{5}{7}t) + 2)} \quad (1)$$

This is a traveling wave solution with $c = \frac{5}{7}$ and f , suppose some $f(z)$, as follows:

$$f(z) = \frac{3}{1 + \cos^2(7z + 2)} \quad (2)$$

Part 2.)

a.) From linearized Burgers: $u_t + au_x = du_{xx}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} -i\omega u + aiku &= d(ik)^2 u \\ -i\omega + ai &= d(ik)^2 \\ -\omega + ak &= dik^2 \\ w &= ak - dik^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

a.) is FALSE, this $c_p(k)$ is not real for real k values.

b.) is FALSE because the dispersion relation IS constant in respect to k , i.e. $a - dik$.

b.) From Schrödinger's equation: $iu_t + u_{xx} = 0$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} i(-i\omega)u + (ik)^2 u &= 0 \\ i(-i\omega) + (ik)^2 &= 0 \\ -i^2\omega + i^2k^2 &= 0 \\ w &= k^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

a.) is TRUE because there are no complex numbers in the dispersion relation (and thus the phase velocity).

b.) is FALSE because $c_p(k) = \frac{w}{k} = k$, so the dispersion relation IS constant with respect to k .

c.) From the wave equation $u_{tt} = au_{xx}$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (-iw)^2 u &= a(ik)^2 u \\
 -(iw)^2 &= a(ik)^2 \\
 -i^2 w^2 &= ai^2 k^2 \\
 w^2 &= -ak^2 \\
 w &= \sqrt{-ak^2} \\
 w &= \pm i\sqrt{a}k
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

a.) is FALSE because the dispersion relation (and phase velocity) contains a complex number.

b.) is TRUE because $c_p(k) = \pm i\sqrt{a}$, and is not dependent on k , so the equation is non-dispersive.