

Numerical Methods for PDE

Homework - Finite Difference

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2) Let consider the differential equation.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \quad x \in (0, 1)$$

$$U(x, 0) = \sin(2\pi x) \quad U(0, t) = U(1, t)$$

a). Backward in time: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \Big|_i^{n+1} = \frac{U_i^{n+1} - U_i^n}{\Delta t} + O(\Delta t)$

• Backward in space: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_i^{n+1} = \frac{U_i^{n+1} - U_{i-1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x} + O(\Delta x)$

$$U_i^{n+1} + c U_i^{n+1} - c U_{i-1}^{n+1} = U_i^n$$

$$U_i^{n+1} (1+c) - c U_{i-1}^{n+1} = U_i^n$$

• There is no particular reason for chosen backward approximation in space, I believe a Forward approximation can be used also. However, backward approximation guarantees that the A matrix will be diagonally dominant, which is an advantage in case an iterative method is to be used for solution.

b) Since we have periodic boundary conditions

$$U_0^n = U_{m+1}^n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (1+c) & 0 & 0 & \dots & c \\ -c & (1+c) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -c & (1+c) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -c & (1+c) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1^n \\ U_2^n \\ U_3^n \\ \vdots \\ U_{m+1}^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_1^n \\ U_2^n \\ U_3^n \\ \vdots \\ U_{m+1}^n \end{bmatrix}$$

4)

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \sigma U \quad x \in (0, 1), t > 0$$

$$U(0, t) = 0 \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = (1, t) = 0$$

$$U(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 1/4 \\ 4x-1 & \text{for } 1/4 \leq x < 1/2 \\ -4x+3 & \text{for } 1/2 \leq x < 3/4 \\ 0 & \text{for } 3/4 \leq x \end{cases}$$

A) an explicit finite difference scheme

• forward in time: $\left. \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \right|_i^n = \frac{U_i^{n+1} - U_i^n}{\Delta t}$

• centered in space: $\left. \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} \right|_i^n = \frac{U_{i-1}^n - 2U_i^n + U_{i+1}^n}{\Delta x^2}$

$$\frac{U_i^{n+1} - U_i^n}{\Delta t} = \nu \frac{U_{i-1}^n - 2U_i^n + U_{i+1}^n}{\Delta x^2} + \sigma U_i^n$$

$$U_i^{n+1} = C (U_{i-1}^n - 2U_i^n + U_{i+1}^n) + U_i^n (1 + \Delta t \sigma) \quad \begin{matrix} n=1 \dots t \\ i=1 \dots m \end{matrix}$$

since $\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}(1, t) = 0 \Rightarrow U_{m+1}^n = U_{m-1}^n$

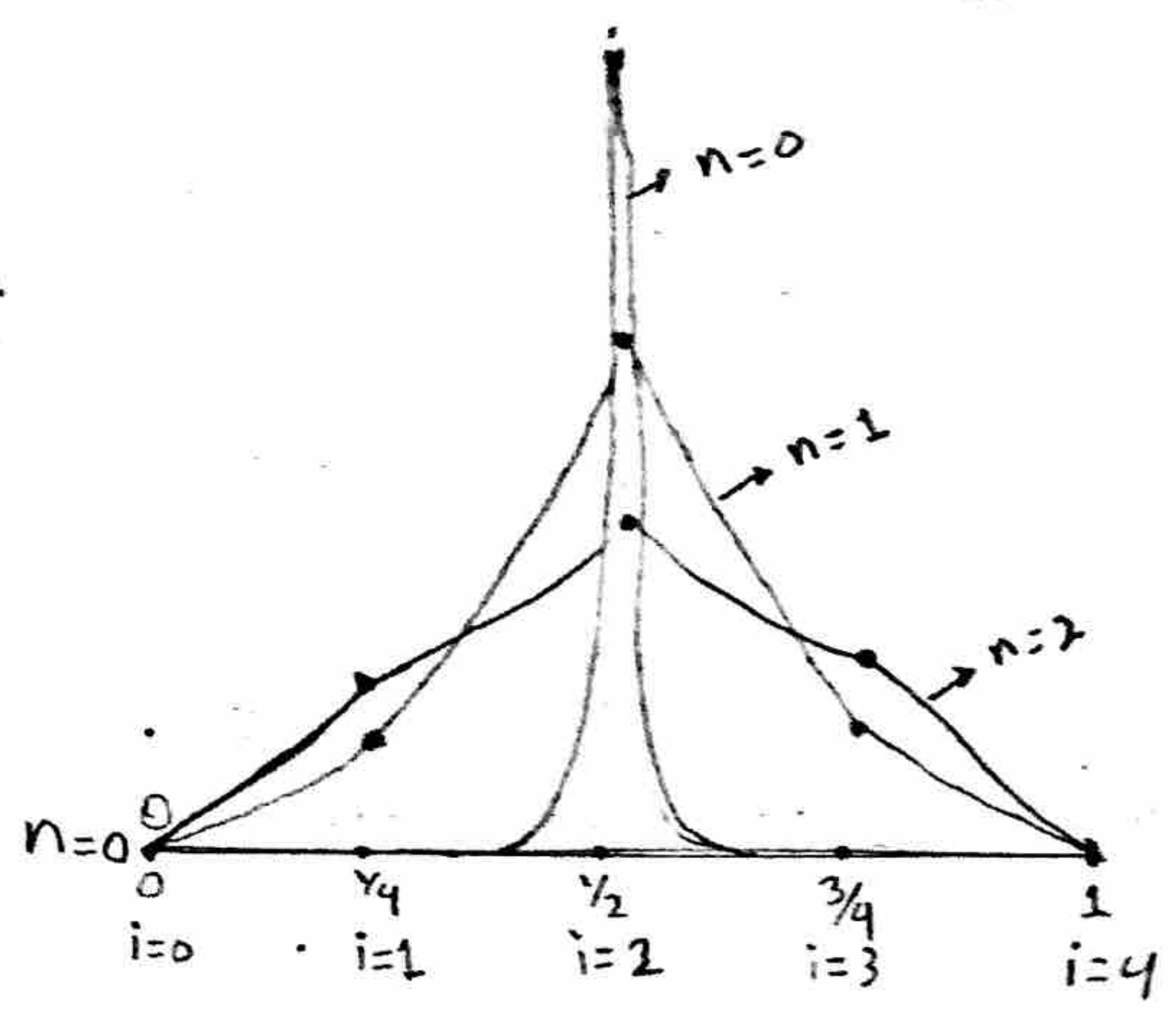
$$C = \nu \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$U_i^0 = \begin{cases} 0 & i \Delta x < 1/2 \\ 4(i \Delta x) - 1 & 1/2 \leq i \Delta x < 1/2 \\ -4(i \Delta x) + 3 & 1/2 \leq i \Delta x < 3/4 \\ 0 & i \Delta x \geq 3/4 \end{cases}$$

B). for $\sigma = 0$, the scheme will be the explicit method (FTCS) for 1D parabolic equation

• for $\nu = 0$, the scheme will be Euler Forward approximation for ODE

c) $v=0.1$, $\sigma=-0.1$, $\Delta x=0.25$ and $\Delta t=0.1$



→ $n=1$

$$i=1 \quad U_1^1 = 0.16(0 - 2(0) + 1) + 0 = 0.16$$

$$i=2 \quad U_2^1 = 0.16(0 - 2(1) + 0) + (1)(1 - (0.1)(0.25)) = 0.655$$

$$i=3 \quad U_3^1 = 0.16(1 - 2(0) + 0) + 0 = 0.16$$

$$i=4 \quad U_4^1 = 0.16(0 - 2(0) + 0) + 0 = 0$$

→ $n=2$

$$i=1 \quad U_1^2 = 0.16(0 - 2(.16) + 0.655) + (0.16)(1 - (0.1)(0.25)) = 0.2096$$

$$i=2 \quad U_2^2 = 0.16(0.16 - 2(0.655) + 0.16) + (0.655)(1 - (0.1)(0.25)) = 0.480225$$

$$i=3 \quad U_3^2 = 0.16(0.655 - 2(0.16) + 0) + (0.16)(1 - (0.1)(0.25)) = 0.2096$$

$$i=4 \quad U_4^2 = 0.16(0.16 - 2(0) + 0.16) + (0)(1 - (0.1)(0.25)) = 4.096 \times 10^{-3}$$

From the profile of the solution, it can be said that this is a reasonable solution of diffusion-reaction problem, the overall look of the profile look like a solution of parabolic equation, while the unexpected increases in the nodes 1, 3 at $n=2$, highlights the reaction effect.

d) An implicit finite different scheme

- backward in time: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \Big|_i^{n+1} = \frac{U_i^{n+1} - U_i^n}{\Delta t}$

- centered in space: $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \Big|_i^{n+1} = \frac{U_{i-1}^{n+1} - 2U_i^{n+1} + U_{i+1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x^2}$

$$U_i^{n+1} - U_i^n = v \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x^2} (U_{i-1}^{n+1} - 2U_i^{n+1} + U_{i+1}^{n+1}) + \sigma U_i^{n+1}$$

$$-C U_{i-1}^{n+1} + (2C - \sigma + 1) U_i^{n+1} - C U_{i+1}^{n+1} = U_i^n$$

$$i = 1, \dots, m$$

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$$U_i^0 = \begin{cases} 0 & i \Delta x < 1/2 \\ 4(i \Delta x) - 1 & 1/2 \leq i \Delta x \leq 3/2 \\ -4(i \Delta x) + 3 & 3/2 \leq i \Delta x \leq 5/2 \\ 0 & i \Delta x \geq 3/2 \end{cases}$$

$$U_{m+1}^n = U_{m-1}^n \quad C = \frac{v \Delta t}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (2C - \sigma + 1) & -C & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ -C & (2C - \sigma + 1) & -C & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -C & (2C - \sigma + 1) & \dots & -C \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & -2C & (2C - \sigma + 1) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1^{n+1} \\ U_2^{n+1} \\ \vdots \\ U_m^{n+1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U_1^n \\ U_2^n \\ \vdots \\ U_m^n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} C U_0^n \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$