

Strikwerda 4.1

4.1.1. Show that the implicit (2,4) leapfrog scheme

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - v_m^{n-1}}{2k} + a \left(1 + \frac{h^2}{6}\delta^2\right)^{-1} \delta_0 v_m^n = f_m^n$$

for the one-way wave equation with λ constant is stable if and only if $|a\lambda| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

Substituting $g^{n'} e^{im'\theta}$ for $v_{m'}^{n'}$,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{1}{2k}(g - g^{-1}) + a(1 + \frac{1}{3}(\cos\theta - 1))^{-1} \frac{i}{h} \sin\theta \\ 0 &= \frac{1}{2}g^2 + i \frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta} g - \frac{1}{2} \\ g(\theta) &= -i \frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta} \pm \left[1 - \left(\frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta}\right)^2\right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The argument of the square root is positive when $|a\lambda| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, since then

$$(a\lambda)^2 < \frac{1}{3} \leq \left(\frac{2 + \cos\theta}{3 \sin\theta}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta}\right)^2 \leq 1.$$

But if $|a\lambda| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, then $g_+ = g_-$ at $\theta = \frac{2}{3}\pi$. The amplification factor for $|a\lambda| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ is

$$|g(\theta)|^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3a\lambda \sin\theta}{2 + \cos\theta}\right)^2 = 1.$$

This requires that $|a\lambda| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ are never equal, otherwise there are solutions with near linear growth. Therefore the scheme is stable iff $|a\lambda| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

4.1.2. Show that the (2,2) leapfrog scheme for $u_t + au_{xxx} = f$ (see (2.2.15)) given by

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - v_m^{n-1}}{2k} + a\delta^2 \delta_0 v_m^n = f_m^n,$$

with $\nu = k/h^3$ constant, is stable iff $|a\nu| < \frac{2}{3^{3/2}}$.

Substituting $g^{n'} e^{im'\theta}$ for $v_{m'}^{n'}$,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{g - g^{-1}}{2k} + a \frac{2 \cos\theta - 2}{h^2} \frac{2i \sin\theta}{2h} \\ 0 &= \frac{1}{2}g - i(4a\nu \sin^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin\theta)g - \frac{1}{2} \\ g(\theta) &= i(4a\nu \sin^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin\theta) \pm [1 - (4a\nu \sin^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin\theta)^2]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $(4a\nu \sin^2 \frac{1}{2}\theta \sin\theta)^2$ has maximum value $\frac{27}{64}$ (at $\theta = \frac{2}{3}\pi$), we have $g_+(\theta) \neq g_-(\theta)$ for all θ iff $|a\nu| < \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{\frac{64}{27}} = \frac{2}{3^{3/2}}$. As in the previous problem, $|g(\theta)|^2 \equiv 1$ when $g_+ \neq g_-$.

4.1.3. Show that the leapfrog scheme

$$\frac{v_m^{n+1} - v_m^{n-1}}{2k} + a \left(1 - \frac{h^2}{6} \delta^2 + \frac{h^4}{30} \delta^4 \right) \delta_0 v_m^n = f_m^n$$

for the one-way wave equation is accurate of order (2,6) and, if λ is constant, is stable iff

$$|a\lambda| < \frac{3}{[2(\frac{2}{5})^{1/3} - 1]^{1/2} [(\frac{5}{2})^{2/3} + 3(\frac{5}{2})^{1/3} + 1]}.$$

Finding the amplification factor:

$$0 = \frac{g - g^{-1}}{2k} + a \left(1 - \frac{2 \cos \theta - 2}{6} + \frac{(2 \cos \theta - 2)^2}{30} \right) \frac{2i \sin \theta}{2h}$$