

Class Homework 2: 1D Unsteady convection transportation

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The equation to be solved correspond to the 1D unsteady convection transportation. The source term is $s=0$ and there is no Neumann bc.

$$\begin{aligned} u_t + (\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla)u &= 0 && \text{in } \Omega \times]0, T[, \\ u(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= u_0(\mathbf{x}) && \text{on } \Omega \text{ at } t = 0, \\ u &= u_D && \text{on } \Gamma_D^{in} \times]0, T[\end{aligned}$$

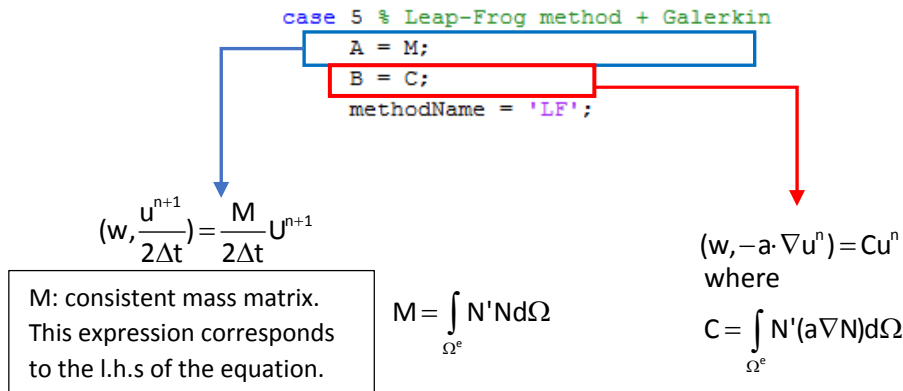
Leap-Frog (LF) implementation:

The next figure shows the line of the function code called "System" where the LF method was implemented.

After discretizing, the expression of the LF method is:

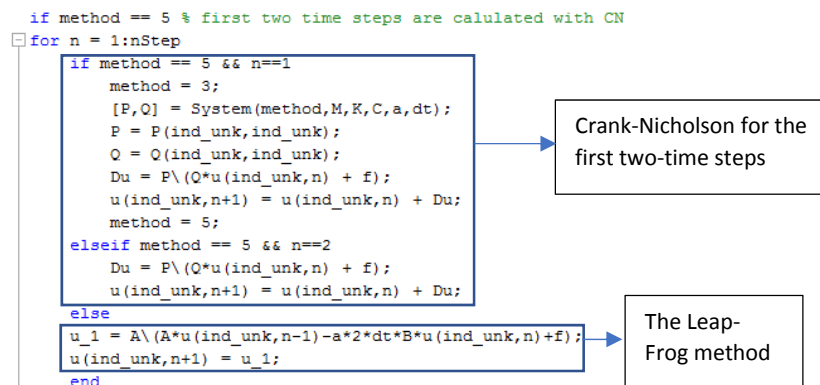
$$\left(w, \frac{u^{n+1}}{2\Delta t}\right) = \left(w, \frac{u^{n-1}}{2\Delta t}\right) + (w, -\mathbf{a} \cdot \nabla u^n)$$

Since there is no Neumann bc it was not necessary to integrate by part.



As this method is not self-started, it was necessary to use a start method in order to obtain the first two-time step U^n and U^{n-1} . The Crank-Nicholson method was used as start method.

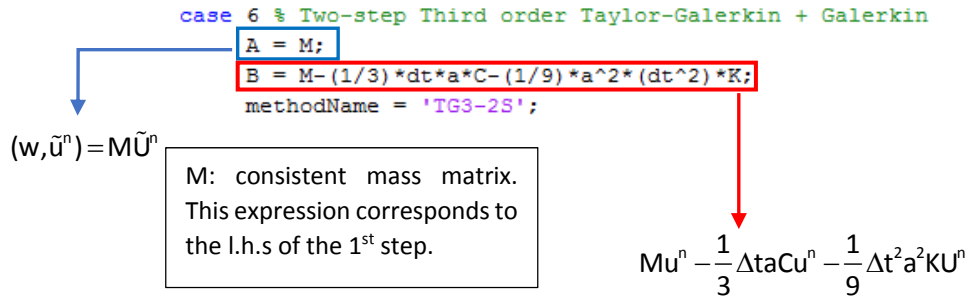
The figure below shows the implementation of the method explained before.



Two-step explicit Taylor-Galerkin methods (TG3-2S):

The next figure shows the line of the function code called “System” where TG3-2S method was implemented.

It can be seen the implementation of the first step.



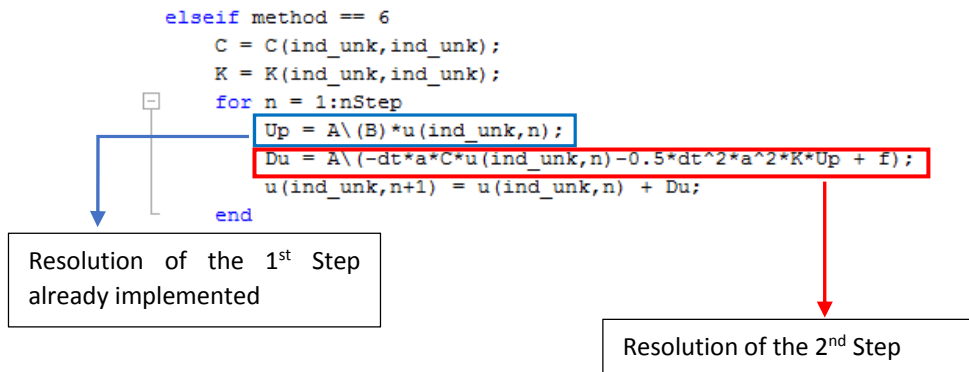
Where

$$M = \int_{\Omega^e} N' N d\Omega \text{ (consistency mass matrix)}$$

$$C = \int_{\Omega^e} N'(a \nabla N) d\Omega \text{ (convection matrix)}$$

$$K = \int_{\Omega^e} \nabla N' \nabla N d\Omega \text{ (stiffness matrix)}$$

Implementation of the 2nd step



$$\Delta u = A^{-1}(-a\Delta t C u^n - \frac{1}{2}\Delta t^2 a^2 K \tilde{U}^n)$$

Where

\tilde{U}^n : Is the solution of the 1st step

Result:

According to the stability analysis, the LF method gives a stable solution when $C \leq 0.57$ and TG3-2S gives a stable solution when $C \leq 0.866$, where "C" is the Courant number whose expression is written below.

$$C = |a| \frac{\Delta t}{h}$$

Where :

h: mesh size

Δt : time step

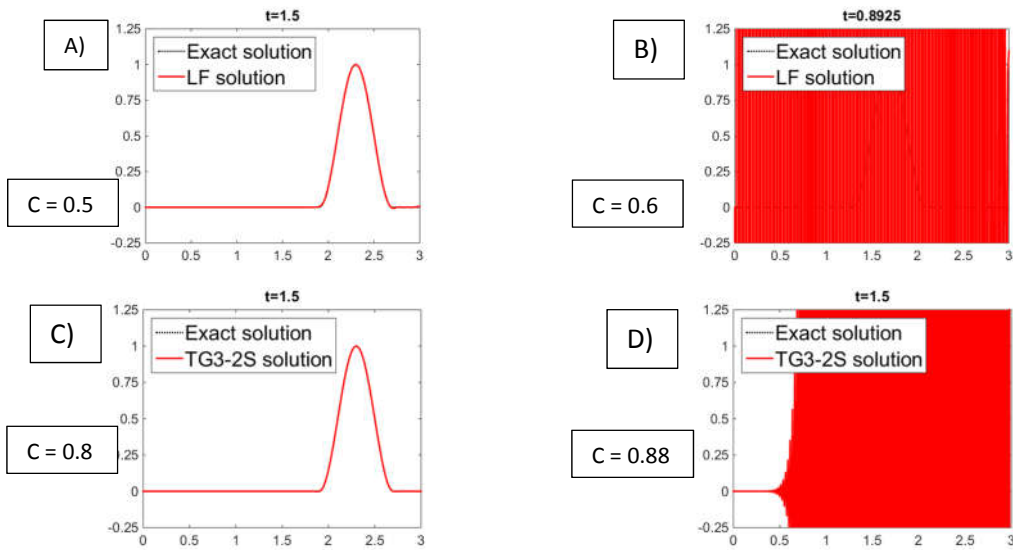


Figure 1: Solution obtained using different methods A) LF C = 0.5 (stable solution), B) LF C = 0.6 (unstable solution), C) TG3-2S C = 0.8 (stable solution), D) TG3-2S C = 0.88. (unstable solution).