

MAE561/471 Fall 2013 HW7

This assignment is for bonus only. The rules of collaboration are the same as those for the final project.

1. *Bonus question.* For $u(x,t)$ and $h(x,t)$ defined on the domain of $0 \leq x \leq 10$ and $t \geq 0$, consider the following system of equations,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 2 \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} , \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = 0.5 \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} , \quad (2)$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$u(0, t) = 0,$$

$$u(10, t) = 0,$$

and the initial conditions,

$$h(x,0) \equiv 0,$$

$$u(x,0) = P(x),$$

where

$$P(x) \equiv \cos[0.5 \pi (x - 5)] , \text{ if } 4 \leq x \leq 6 \\ \equiv 0 , \text{ otherwise.}$$

(Note that the $P(x)$ here is identical to that used in HW1.) Solve the system numerically by using a staggered grid system as illustrated in Fig. 1, and the forward-in-time and central-in-space finite difference scheme for both equations. Use $\Delta x = 0.01$ and your own choice of Δt . Plot the solution at $t = 0.75$ and 2.5 , along with the initial state at $t = 0$. See Fig. 1 for the definition of Δx . For this problem, the two boundary points should be the grid points for u (see Fig. 1), such that there is no need to impose the boundary conditions for h . As usual, submit your code. Only high-quality solutions will receive bonus.

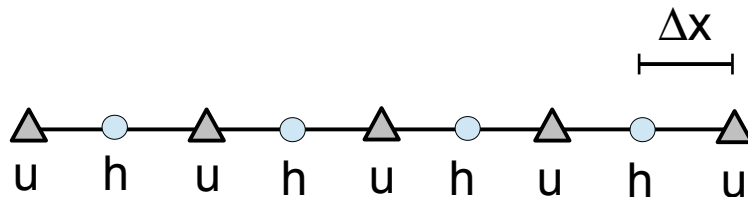


Fig. 1