

***A SINGLE-DEGREE-OF-FREEDOM
COLLOCATION SOLUTION
TO THE TRANSPORT EQUATION***

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SINGLE-DEGREE-OF-FREEDOM COLLOCATION METHOD (LHM)

The multi-dimensional transport equation is notoriously difficult to solve. As the value of the Peclet number becomes large, either dispersion of the higher harmonic modes is observed or excessive damping.

A combination of Lagrangian and cubic Hermite polynomial approximations is employed to derive a single-degree-of-freedom collocation method (***LHM***)

EFFICIENCY OF LHM

- reduction in the degrees of freedom at each node when compared to Hermite-based collocation methods.
- decreasing of dispersion effects and damping when compared to classical Eulero-based methods (**FEM** /**FDM**) .

1D ADVECTIVE-DIFFUSIVE EQUATION

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{L}(u) = 0 \\ u(x, t=0) = u_0(x) \\ u(0, t) = 0 \quad u(l, t) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad u_0(x) \in L_2[0, l]$$

with $\mathbf{L} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - D \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$

Advection-diffusive operator

- $u(x, t)$ concentration at location x at the time t
- c velocity field
- D diffusion coefficient

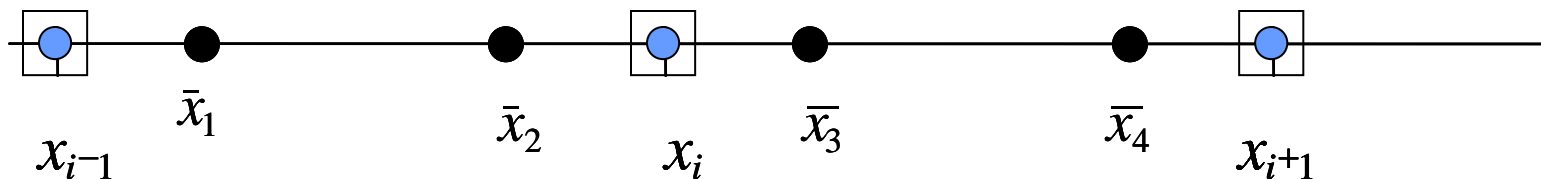
SEMI-DISCRETE ADVECTIVE-DIFFUSIVE OPERATOR *(spatial discretization)*

Uniform mesh grid $\Omega_x = \{x_i, 1 \leq i \leq N_x\}$ $x_i = i\Delta x$

Surrounding mesh grid at location x_i

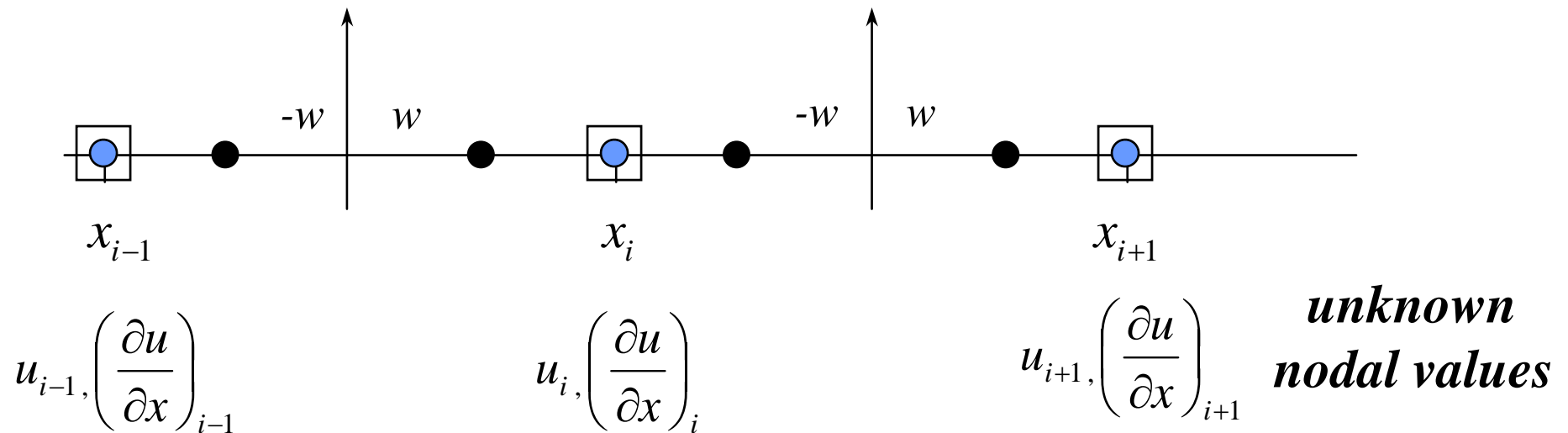
Collocation points ●

nodes ◻



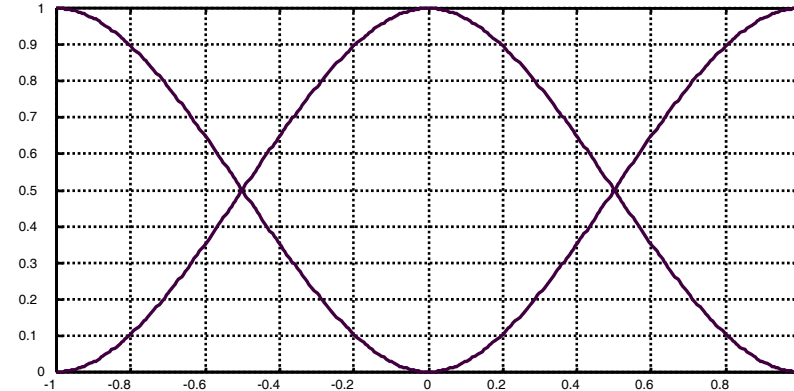
STEP 1 – HERMITE INTERPOLATION

$$u(x,t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{U}^L = \mathbf{H}_{0,i-1}(x)u_{i-1} + \mathbf{H}_{1,i}(x)u_i + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\mathbf{H}_{0,i-1}^-(x)\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_{i-1} + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\mathbf{H}_{1,i}^-(x)\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_i & x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \\ \mathbf{U}^R = \mathbf{H}_{0,i}(x)u_i + \mathbf{H}_{1,i+1}(x)u_{i+1} + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\mathbf{H}_{0,i}^-(x)\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_i + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\mathbf{H}_{1,i+1}^-(x)\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_{i+1} & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}] \end{cases}$$



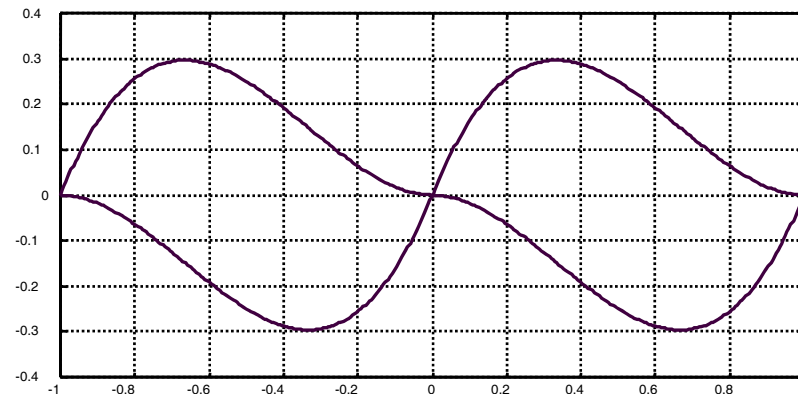
Hermite basis for

$$\{u_{n-1}, u_n, u_{n+1}\}$$



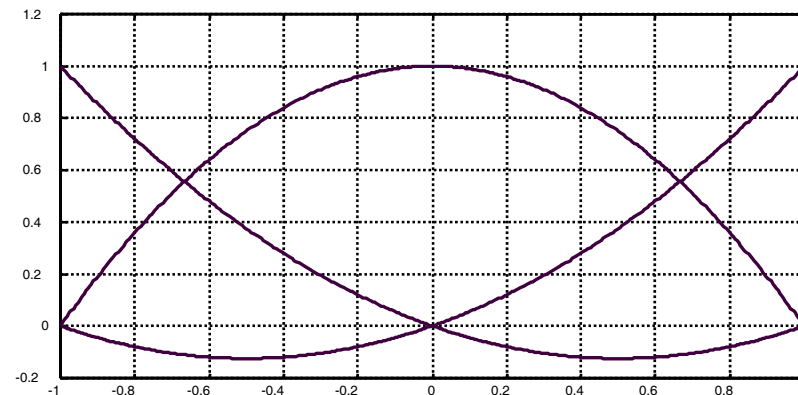
Hermite basis for

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{n-1}, \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_n, \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{n+1} \right\}$$



Lagrangian basis used for

the approximation of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$



STEP 2- *LAGRANGIAN APPROXIMATION FOR THE SPATIAL DERIVATIVES*

$$\mathbf{U}(x,t)\Big|_{[x_{i-1},x_{i+1}]} = \mathbf{L}_{i-1}(x)u_{i-1} + \mathbf{L}_i(x)u_i + \mathbf{L}_{i+1}(x)u_{i+1}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \cong \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial x} = \frac{d\mathbf{L}_{i-1}}{dx}u_{i-1} + \frac{d\mathbf{L}_i}{dx}u_i + \frac{d\mathbf{L}_{i+1}}{dx}u_{i+1}$$

Approximation for the nodal-value spatial derivatives

$$\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_{i-1} \cong \frac{-3u_{i-1} + 4u_i - u_{i+1}}{2\Delta x} \quad \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_i \cong \frac{u_{i+1} - u_{i-1}}{2\Delta x} \quad \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)_{i+1} \cong \frac{u_{i-1} - 4u_i + 3u_{i+1}}{2\Delta x}$$

STEP 3 – WEIGHTED STRATEGY

Defintion of the semi-discrete operator at the generic node

$$\hat{\mathbf{L}}_x(u)_i = \beta \frac{1}{2} \left[\mathbf{L}(U^L)_{\bar{x}_1} + \mathbf{L}(U^L)_{\bar{x}_2} \right] + (1-\beta) \frac{1}{2} \left[\mathbf{L}(U^R)_{\bar{x}_3} + \mathbf{L}(U^R)_{\bar{x}_4} \right]$$

The diagram shows a horizontal line representing a 1D grid. There are six nodes marked with blue circles and squares, labeled x_{i-1} , x_i , and x_{i+1} from left to right. Between these nodes are four intermediate points marked with black dots, labeled \bar{x}_1 , \bar{x}_2 , \bar{x}_3 , and \bar{x}_4 from left to right. Arrows point from the terms in the equation above to these points: $\mathbf{L}(U^L)_{\bar{x}_1}$ points to \bar{x}_1 , $\mathbf{L}(U^L)_{\bar{x}_2}$ points to \bar{x}_2 , $\mathbf{L}(U^R)_{\bar{x}_3}$ points to \bar{x}_3 , and $\mathbf{L}(U^R)_{\bar{x}_4}$ points to \bar{x}_4 .

β up-wind parameter

SEMI-DISCRETE SPATIAL APPROXIMATION

By imposing the vanishing of the discrete operator at each node the following ODE system is achieved

$$a_1 \frac{du_{i-1}}{dt} + a_2 \frac{du_i}{dt} + a_3 \frac{du_{i+1}}{dt} + b_1 u_{i-1} + b_2 u_i + b_3 u_{i+1} = 0 \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, N_X$$

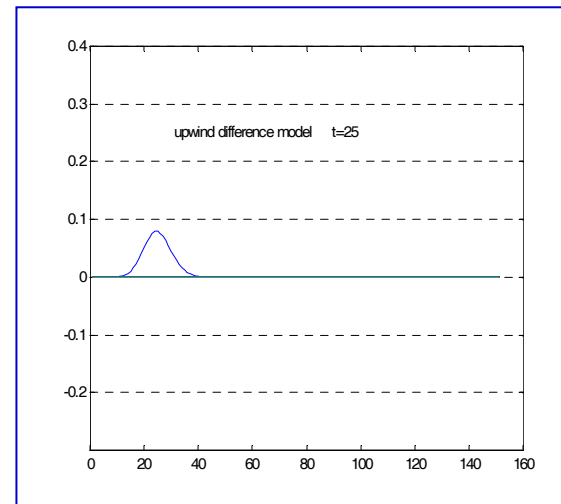
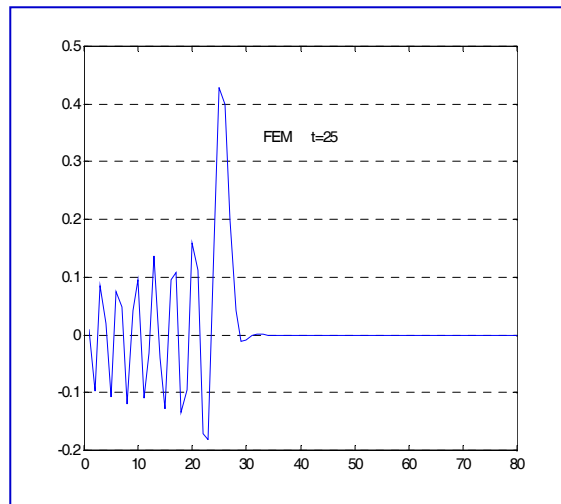
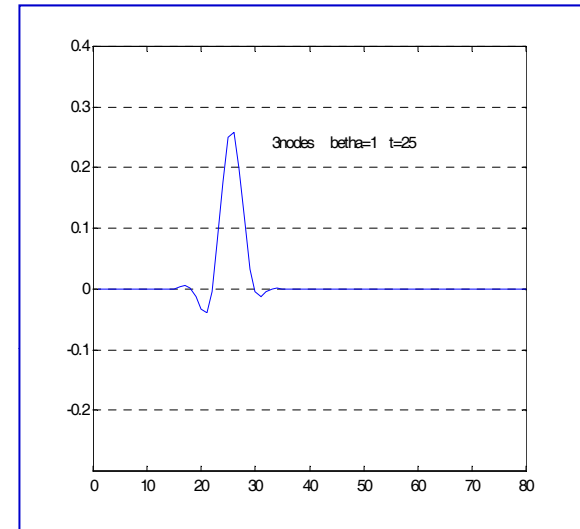
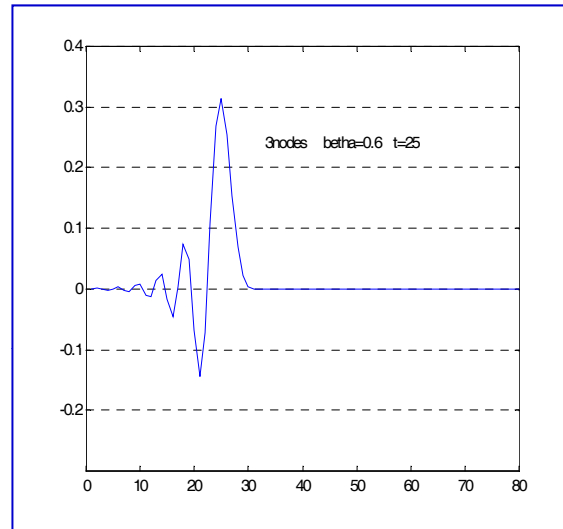
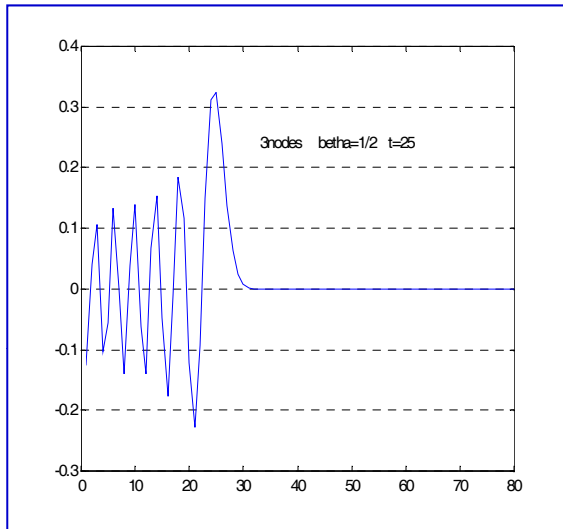
ANALYSIS OF THE FUNDAMENTAL SOLUTION

Analytical solution for initial condition $u_n(t=0) = \delta_{0,n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

(Kronecher's symbol)

(by using Fourier Transform)

BEHAVIOR OF THE FUNDAMENTAL SOLUTION FOR LHM, FEM, FDM



FULLY DISCRETE ADVECTIVE-DIFFUSIVE OPERATOR

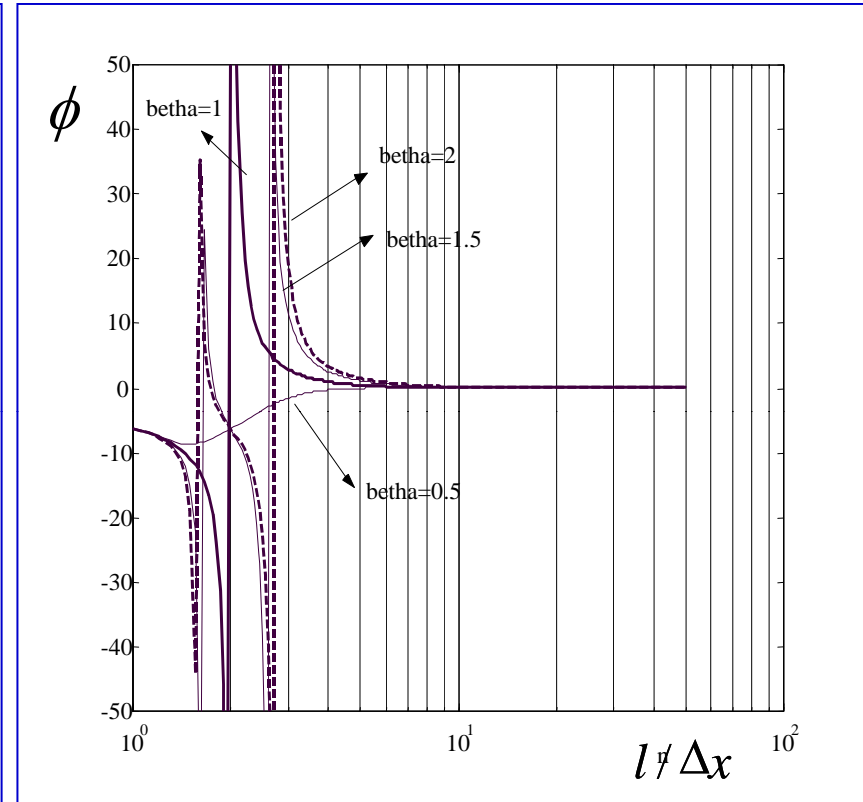
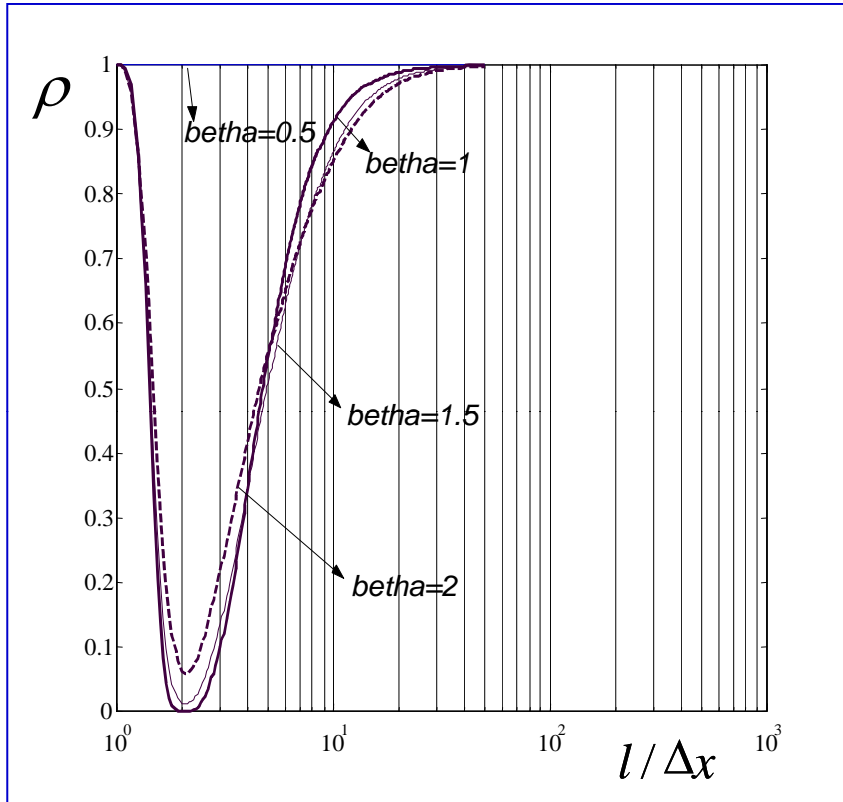
$$\hat{\mathbf{L}}(u) = A_1 u_{i-1}^{n+1} + A_2 u_i^{n+1} + A_3 u_{i+1}^{n+1} + B_1 u_{i-1}^n + B_2 u_i^n + B_3 u_{i+1}^n$$

$$A_j = a_j / \Delta t + \gamma b_j, \quad B_j = -a_j / \Delta t + (1 - \gamma) b_j, \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

Time-weight parameter γ $[\gamma = 1/2$ (Crank – Nicolson in time)]

Matrix-form $\underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{X}}^{n+1} + \underline{\underline{B}} \underline{\underline{X}}^n = \underline{\underline{C}}$ $\underline{\underline{A}}, \underline{\underline{B}}$ ***Tridiagonal***

STABILITY ANALYSIS AND SPECTRAL PROPERTIES



$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\hat{u}_j^{n+N}}{\hat{u}_j^n}$$

numerical

amplification factor

$$\mu = \frac{u_j^{n+N}}{u_j^n}$$

analytical

amplification factor

$$\xi = \frac{\hat{\mu}}{\mu} = \rho e^{i\phi}$$

N - time steps
to travel
one wave length

CONVERGENCE ANALYSIS

$$\frac{c \Delta x}{D} < \infty$$

$$\frac{c \Delta x}{D} = \infty$$

$$E(x,t) \approx \begin{cases} O(\Delta x^2 + \Delta t^2) & \text{if } \beta = 1/2 \quad \forall w \in [0,1] \\ O(\Delta x + \Delta t^2) & \text{if } \beta \neq 1/2 \quad \forall w \in [0,1] \end{cases}$$

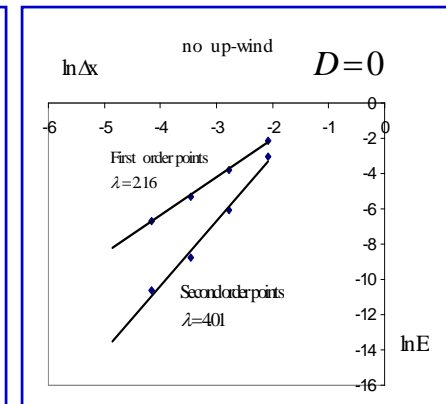
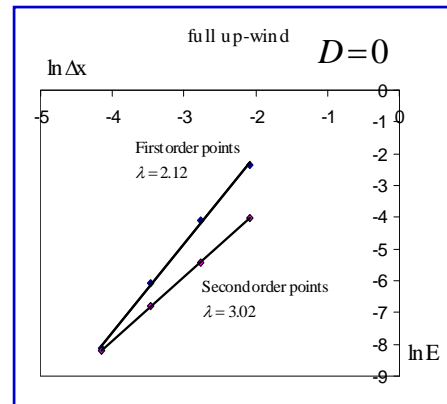
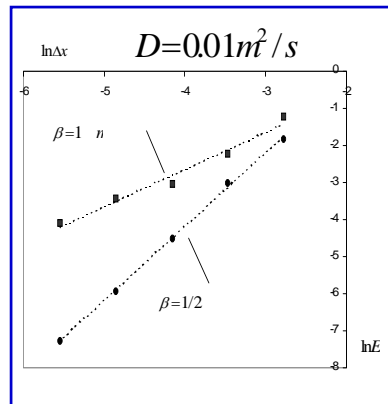
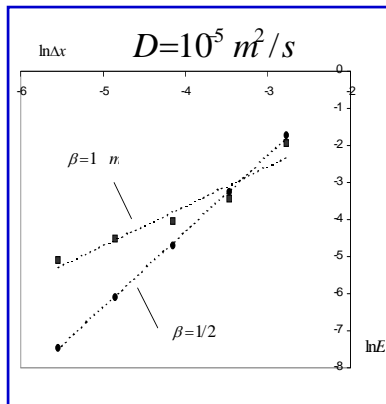
$$E(x,t) \approx \begin{cases} w^2 \neq 1/3 & O(\Delta x^2 + \Delta t^2) \quad \forall \beta \geq 1/2 \\ w^2 = 1/3 & \begin{cases} O(\Delta x^3 + \Delta t^2) & \beta > 1/2 \\ O(\Delta x^4 + \Delta t^2) & \beta = 1/2 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$\pm w$ Position collocation points

$\gamma = 1/2$ (Crank – Nicolson in time)

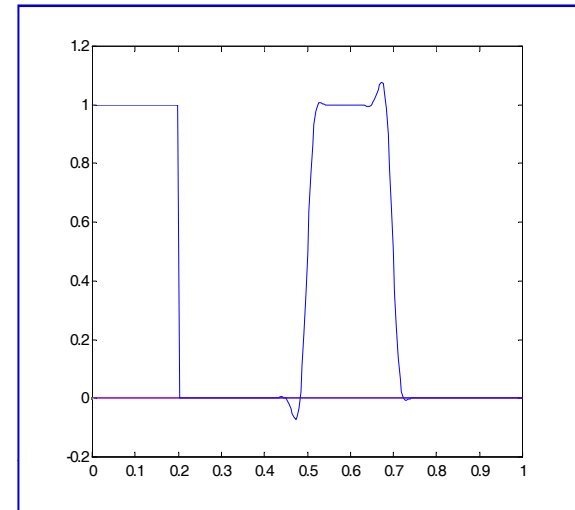
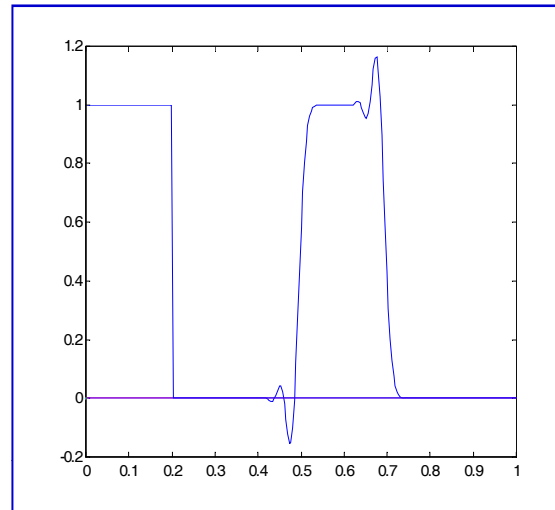
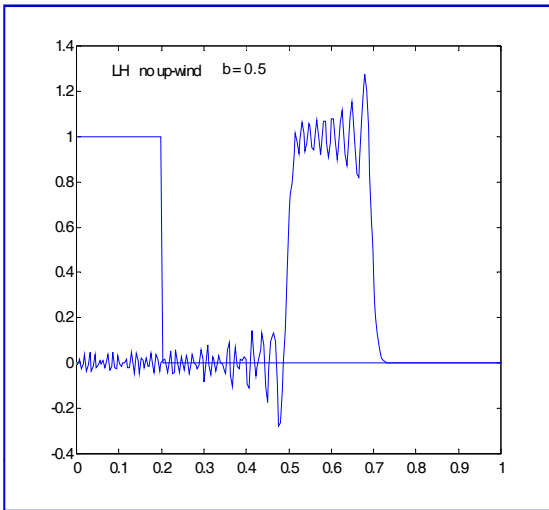
NUMERICAL TEST

(Gaussian hill initial condition)

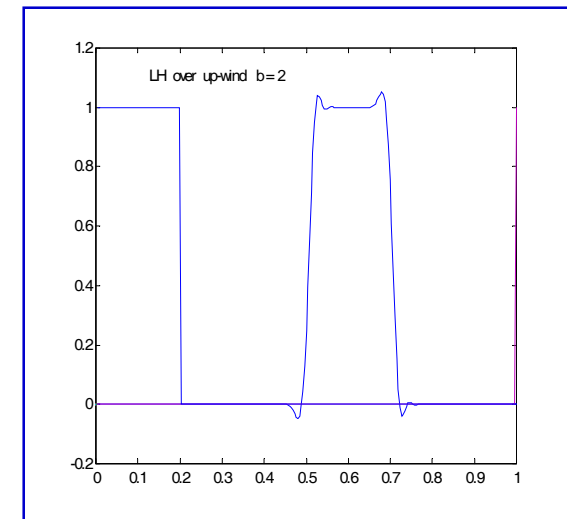
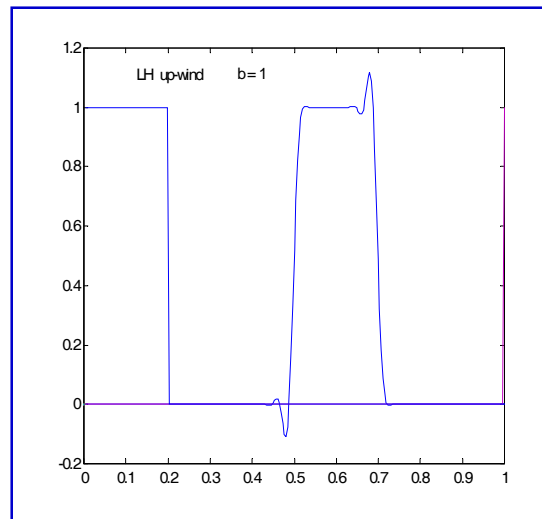
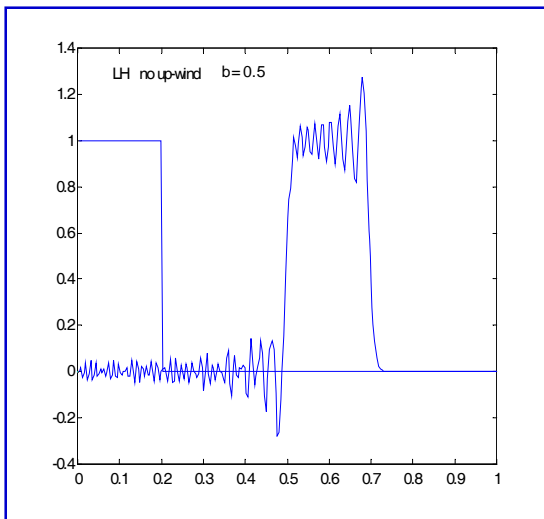


Super convergence for pure advection

1D SIMULATIONS

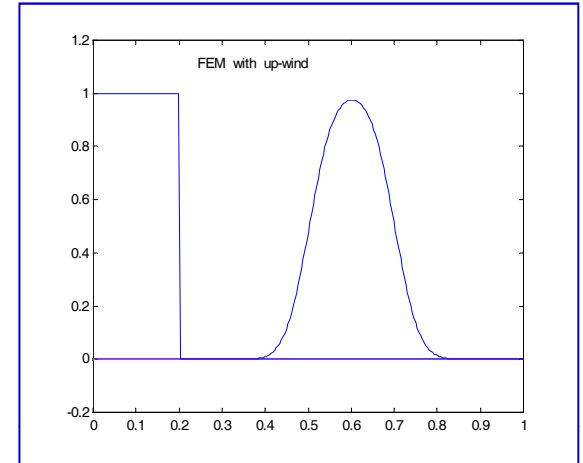
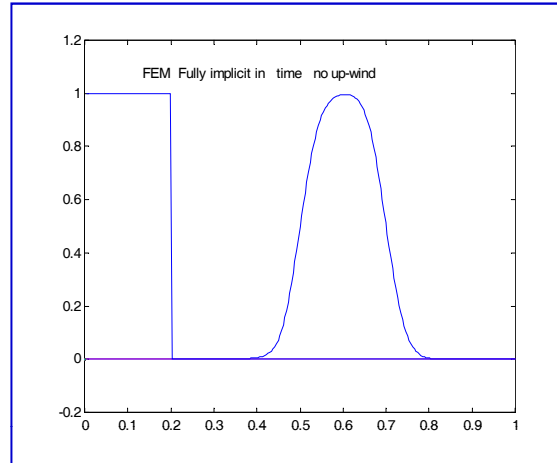
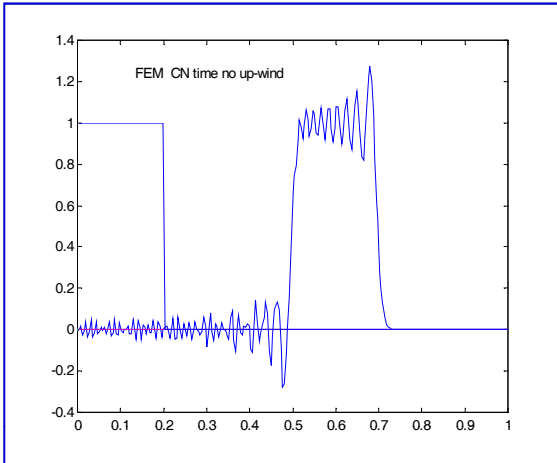


First order points collocation (one gaussian point in each interval) $c=0.5$ m $dx=2^{-8}$ m $dt=1/200$ s

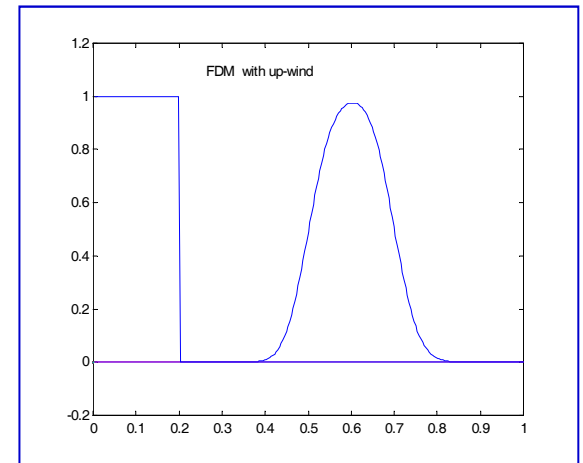
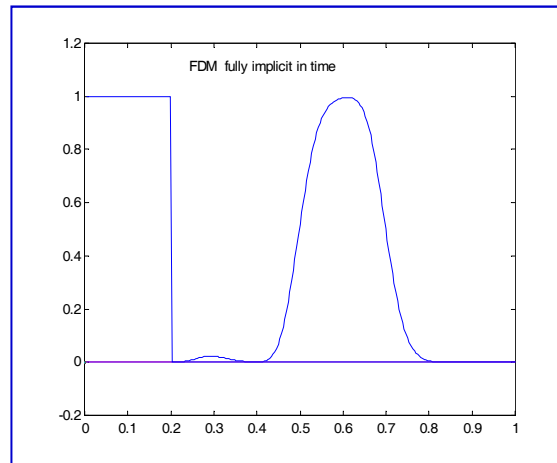
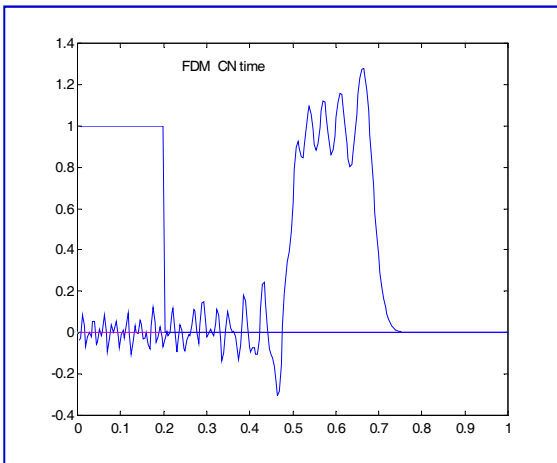


Second order points collocation (two gaussian points in each interval) $c=0.5$ m $dx=2^{-8}$ m $dt=1/200$ s

1D SIMULATIONS - FEM/FDM

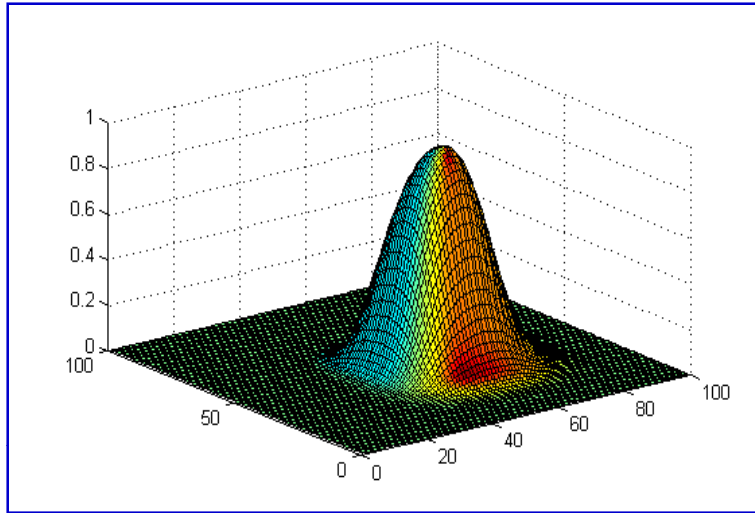


FEM from the left side CN in time, full implicit in time, with up-winding

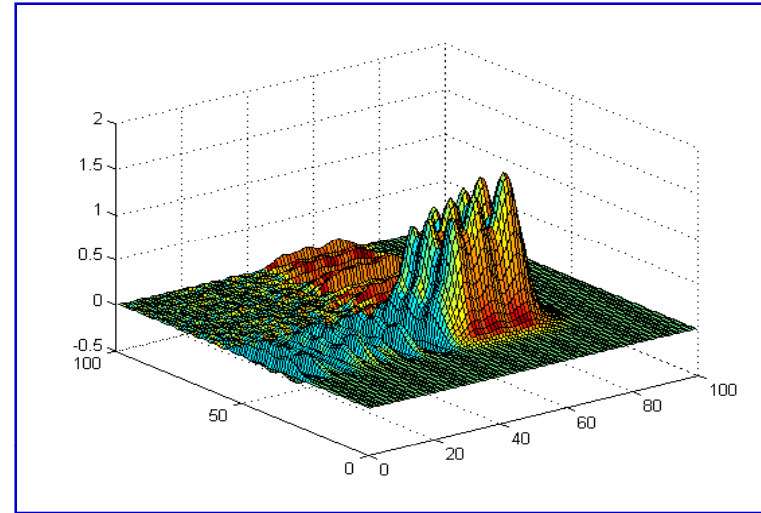


FDM from the left side CN in time, full implicit in time, with up-winding

2D SIMULATIONS



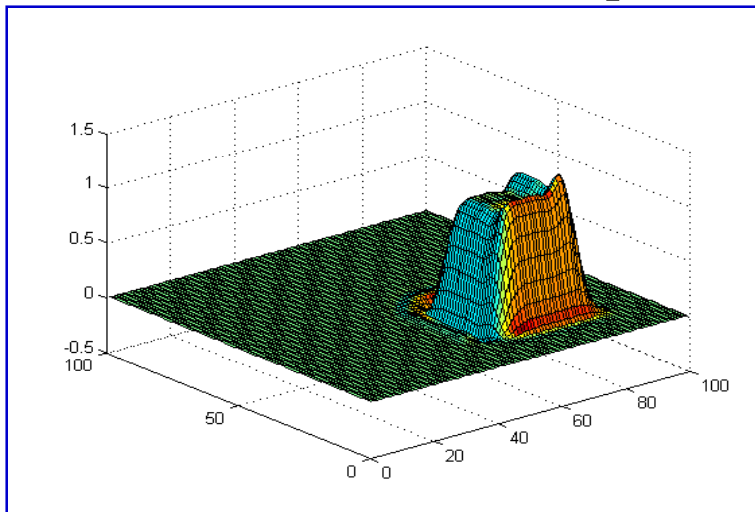
FDM up-wind



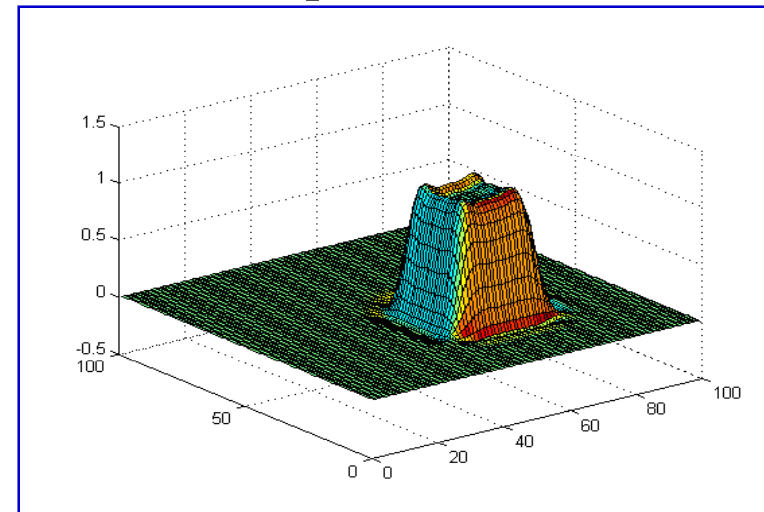
FDM no up-wind

TRANSLATING TOWER

LHM full up-wind



LHM over up-wind



CONCLUSIONS

- A single-degree-of-freedom Collocation method (LHM) is proposed based on a combination of Lagrangian and Hermite polynomials
- LHM reduces the number of nodal unknowns from 2 to 1 in 1D, from 4 to 1 in 2D when compared to Cubic Hermite Collocation
- spectral analysis shows that LHM has a very narrow-band spectrum: it damps only the spurious modes, preserving the behavior of the physical harmonic modes
- super convergence is found for the case of pure advection