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Fiche de TP: Transport Equation, Conservation laws

Thème - 1 *Transport equations and finite differences methods*

We wish to numerically solve the following scalar transport equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R} \quad t > 0 \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) & x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where c is a fixed real and $u_0 \in C^1$ is a given scalar function. To this end we require the finite difference method consisting of computing u_j^n , the approximate values of the solution of equation (1) at positions $(x_j = jh, t_n = nk)$ ($j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$), where h (resp. k) denotes the space grid size (resp. the time grid size). The initial solution is taken to be the Gaussian : $u_0(x) = e^{-x^2}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Exercice-1 : Consider the following explicit schemes:

$$\frac{1}{k} (u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n) + \frac{c}{h} (u_{j+1}^n - u_j^n) = 0, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{1}{k} (u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n) + \frac{c}{h} (u_j^n - u_{j-1}^n) = 0, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{1}{k} (u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n) + \frac{c}{2h} (u_{j+1}^n - u_{j-1}^n) - \frac{kc^2}{2h^2} (u_{j+1}^n - 2u_j^n + u_{j-1}^n) = 0, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0. \quad (4)$$

Perform the l^2 stability analysis of each of them and specify the influence of the sign of c .

Exercice-2 : Write a **matlab** program using these schemes on a bounded domain $]-A, A[$ with a fixed $\frac{k}{h} := \lambda$. Display the approximate solution at a given final time T . Whenever necessary, consider a fixed $h = A/M$ where M is prescribed and zero or periodic boundary conditions.

Exercice-3 : Recall the stability results when $c = \pm 1$ and comment the results obtained when $c\lambda = \pm 1$.

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- Observe that all the above schemes can be written as :

$$w_j^{n+1} = \alpha u_{j-1}^n + \beta u_j^n + \gamma u_{j+1}^n, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0 \quad (5)$$

where α, β, γ depend on h, k with $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$.

- Since $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ we have :

$$|\alpha e^{-i\theta} + \beta + \gamma e^{+i\theta}|^2 = 1 - 4(\beta(\alpha + \gamma) + 4\alpha\gamma) \sin^2(\frac{\theta}{2}) + 32\alpha\gamma \sin^4(\frac{\theta}{2}) \quad \forall \theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

- **Definition:** When $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$, the scheme is said to **preserve constants**.

- **Definition:** When $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0$, the scheme is said to be **monotone**:

$$(v_j^n > w_j^n \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}) \implies (v_j^{n+1} > w_j^{n+1} \quad \forall j \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

- **Proposition:** When the scheme is monotone and preserves constants, it is l^∞ **stable**:

$$\forall T > 0, \exists C_T > 0, \sup_{nk < T} \left(\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |v_j^n| \right) \leq C_T \left(\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |v_j^0| \right).$$

(See Theme 5 for other informations).

To implement the schemes with periodic boundary conditions, just write a Matlab function

Listing 1: Flux file : FDTransport.m

```
function [uu] = FDTransport(u,alpha,beta,gamma)
n = length(u);
uu = zeros(n,1);
Ig = [n,1:n-1];
Id = [2:n,1];
for j = 1:n
    uu(j) = alpha * u(Ig(j)) + beta * u(j) + gamma * u(Id(j));
end
% uu = alpha * u(Ig) + beta * u + gamma * u(Id) % ceci evite boucle et initialisation de ←
uu
end
```

or in more vectorial way

Listing 2: Flux file : FDTransport.m

```
function [uu] = FDTransport(u,alpha,beta,gamma)
uu = alpha * circshift(u,[0,1]) + beta * u + gamma * circshift(u,[0,-1]);
end
```

The main function can look like :

Listing 3: Flux file : testFDTransport.m

```
function [res] = testFDTransport (M)

clf;

c = -1;
lambda = 0.9/abs(c);
A =10;
h = A/M;
x = -A:h:A;
dt = h*lambda;

u = exp(-10*x.*x);           % condition initiale
plot(x,u,'*-');             % dessin de la solution initiale

% (Downwind)
alpha = 0;
beta = 1 + c * lambda;
gamma = -c* lambda ;
scheme1 = @(u) FDTransport(u,alpha,beta,gamma);

% (Upwind)
alpha = c * lambda;
beta = 1 - c * lambda;
gamma = 0 ;
scheme2 = @(u) FDTransport(u,alpha,beta,gamma);

% (Lax-Wendroff)
alpha = (1 + c * lambda)/2;
beta = 0;
gamma = (1 - c * lambda)/2;
scheme3 = @(u) FDTransport(u,alpha,beta,gamma);

u1 = u;
u2 = u;
u3 = u;

for i =1:2000

t = 0 + i*dt;
u1 = scheme1(u1);
u2 = scheme2(u2);
u3 = scheme3(u3);

figure(1)
%subplot(1,2,1);
plot(x,u1,'+', x,u3,'-');
legend('scheme1','scheme3'); drawnow;
s = sprintf('Downwind and Lax-wendroff c = %f',c);
title(s);
drawnow;

%subplot(1,2,2);
figure(2)
plot(x,u2,'+', x,u3,'-');
legend('scheme2','scheme3');
title(sprintf('Upwind and Lax-wendroff c = %f',c));
drawnow;

end
res = 0;
end
```

Thème - 2 Conservation laws and finite volume methods

Consider now a more general equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} = 0, & x \in \mathbb{R} \quad t > 0 \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) & x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

As in the previous exercise, we wish to find approximate values of $u(t_n, x_i), j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, using the finite volume methods. To this end, we introduce the intermediate points $x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}, i \in \mathbb{Z}$ and assume that *at each instant t_n , the solution is constant on each interval $[x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}, x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}]$, $i \in \mathbb{Z}$* .

This constant value is equal to: $u_i(t_n) = \frac{1}{h_i} \int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} u(t_n, x) dx$ where $h_i = |x_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}|$.

Thus, to construct the finite volume scheme, we integrate the equation (6) over the interval $[x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}, x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}]$ where we approximate the solution by its mean value : $u_i(t) = \frac{1}{h_i} \int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} u(t, x) dx$. We then obtain (assuming a constant mesh size $h_i = h \quad \forall i$):

$$h \frac{du_i(t)}{dt} + \int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} dx = 0. \quad (7)$$

This is equivalent to

$$h \frac{du_i(t)}{dt} + f(t)_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^* - f(t)_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^* = 0, \quad (8)$$

where $f(t)_{i \pm \frac{1}{2}}^*$ called **numerical flux** is the approximate value of $f(u)$ at position $x_{i \pm \frac{1}{2}}$ at time t . The main difficulty carried out by the finite volume scheme is the effective construction of those numerical fluxes. Since u is constant on the left (resp. on the right) of $x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ with value u_i (resp. u_{i+1}), the numerical flux $f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^*$ will thus depend on $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L$ and $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R$ which are the best approximate value of u on the left and the right of $x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$. This lead to the following expression:

$$f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^* \equiv f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^*(u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L, u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R). \quad (9)$$

We are then left with the problem of constructing for each i , the quantities $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L, u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R$ and $f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^*$, under the particular constraint of **consistency** of the numerical fluxes, which states that $f^*(v, v) = f(v) \forall v$. It is not unusual that more properties such as monotony or Lipschitz character of these fluxes are sought.

Let us now enumerate particular numerical fluxes and the corresponding schemes.

Exercice-1 : **Centered Scheme.** Here the numerical flux is given by

$$f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^* = f \left(\frac{u_i + u_{i+1}}{2} \right).$$

Implement this scheme and evaluate your implementation over the transport equation (i.e. $f(u) = cu$). Try to justify the observed behavior.

Exercice-2 : **Upwind Scheme** : this scheme corresponds to the following expression of the numerical fluxes

$$f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^* = \begin{cases} f(u_i) & \text{if } \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}\left(\frac{u_i+u_{i+1}}{2}\right) \geq 0, \\ f(u_{i+1}) & \text{if } \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}\left(\frac{u_i+u_{i+1}}{2}\right) < 0. \end{cases}$$

Implement this scheme and validate your implementation on the transport equation.

Exercice-3 : **Scheme with fluxes of Lax-Friedrichs type**

It is based on the observation that if one has a good approximation of $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L$ et $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R$, then one can define the fluxes as

$$f_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^* = \frac{1}{2} \left(f(u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L) + f(u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R) - a_{i+\frac{1}{2}} (u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R - u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L) \right),$$

with $a_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \max \left(\varrho \left(\frac{\partial f(u_i)}{\partial u} \right), \varrho \left(\frac{\partial f(u_{i+1})}{\partial u} \right) \right)$, where $\varrho(A)$ denotes the spectral radius of the matrix A .

Depending on the choice of $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L$ and $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R$, various schemes are generated, the most common being:

1. **Scheme with local Lax-Friedrichs flux** : $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L = u_i$, $u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R = u_{i+1}$.

2. **Centered Kurganov-Tadmor scheme with flux limiter**

$$\begin{cases} u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L &= u_i + \frac{\phi(r_i)}{2}(u_{i+1} - u_i), \\ u_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R &= u_{i+1} - \frac{\phi(r_{i+1})}{2}(u_{i+2} - u_{i+1}), \\ r_i &= \frac{u_i - u_{i-1}}{u_{i+1} - u_i}. \end{cases}$$

Various famous flux limiters are provided in the literature and some are listed below :

	Van-Albada (2003)	Ospre (1995)	charm (1995)	minmod (1986)
$\phi(r)$	$\frac{2r}{1+r^2}$	$1.5 \frac{r^2+r}{r^2+r+1}$	$\begin{cases} \frac{r(3r+1)}{(r+1)^2} & \text{si } r > 0 \\ 0 & \text{si } r \leq 0 \end{cases}$	$\max(0, \min(1, r))$

Implement these schemes and evaluate your implementation on the transport equation where $f(u) = cu$.

Thème - 3 Some ideas on the implementation

For a problem like (6), the function $f(t, u)$ (we consider the more general case where f also depends explicitly on t) will be called the flux function. Its implementation will be supplied in a file **flux.m** and defined as follows:

Listing 4: Flux file: **flux.m**

```
function [f, fprime] = flux(t, x)
c = 1;
f = x*x/2.; %c * x;
fprime = x;%c;
```

Note that we have chosen to return also partial derivatives of $f(\cdot, \cdot)$ with respect to its second argument. This will simplify the implementation of upwind schemes.

The equation (8) can be written as a system of ordinary differential equations.

$$\frac{du}{dt} = F(t, u), \quad \text{où } u(t) = (u_1(t), \dots, u_n(t))^T.$$

In this form, one can apply any numerical schemes for ODE to find an approximate solution. This approach, consisting of freezing the space during the discretization, in order to obtain a system of ODEs is referred to as **Method Of Lines (MOL)**.

In order to implement the second member of the transport equation discretized using the finite volumes method with periodic boundary conditions ($F(t, u)$ in our case), one can consider the following function, which takes a limiter as its third argument:

Listing 5: Transport file: transport.m

```

function [ures] = transport(t,u,limit)

n = length(u); % nombre de mailles
ures = u;
for i=1:n
    % TRAITEMENT DANS LA MAILLE I de numero i
    im = indexg(i,n); % numero de la maille à gauche c-a-d i-1
    ip = indexd(i,n); % numero de la maille à droite c-a-d i+1
    uim = u(im); % valeur de la solution dans la maille à gauche
    ui = u(i); % valeur de la solution dans la maille i
    uip = u(ip); % valeur de la solution dans la maille à droite
    [fi,fi_prime] = flux(t,ui); % f(u_i) et df/du (u_i)

    % FLUX A DROITE NOTE ICI fstarp
    [fip,fip_prime] = flux(t,uip);
    ap = max(abs([fi_prime,fip_prime]));
    uipp = u(indexd(ip,n));
    %ri = (ui - uim)/(uip - ui);
    riup = (ui - uim);
    ridown = (uip - ui);
    %rip = (uip - ui)/(uipp - uip);
    ripup = (uip - ui);
    ripdown = (uipp - uip);
    % calcul des valeurs à gauche (upL) et à droite (upR) de u en xp
    upL = ui + 0.5*limit(riup,ridown)*(uip - ui);
    upR = uip - 0.5*limit(ripup,ripdown)*(uipp - uip);

    fstarp = 0.5 *( flux(t,upR)+flux(t,upL) - ap *(upR-upL));

    % FLUX A GAUCHE NOTE ICI fstarm
    [fim,fim_prime] = flux(t,uim);
    am = max(abs([fi_prime,fim_prime]));
    uimm = u(indexg(im,n));
    %rim = (uim - uimm)/(ui - uim);
    rimup = (uim - uimm);
    rimdown = (ui - uim);
    %ri = (ui - uim)/(uip - ui);
    riup = (ui - uim);
    ridown = (uip - ui);
    umL = uim + 0.5 * limit(rimup,rimdown)*(ui - uim);
    umR = ui - 0.5 * limit(riup,ridown)*(uip - ui);

    fstarm = 0.5 * ( flux(t,umR)+flux(t,umL) - am *(umR-umL));

    % STOCKAGE
    ures(i) =-1.0 *(fstarp - fstarm);
end
end
%%%%%%% NUMERO MAILLE A GAUCHE %%%%%%
function j=indexg(i,n)
if(i>=2)

```

```

        j = i-1;
    else
        j = n;
    end
end
%%%%% NUMERO MAILLE A DROITE %%%%%%
function j = indexd(i,n)
if(i<n)
    j=i+1;
else
    j=1;
end
end

```

As the limiters are concerned, examples are furnished below. It should be noted that in order to prevent errors in the evaluation of $\phi(r)$ with $r = (v_1 - v_2)/(v_3 - v_4)$, we have chosen to define ϕ as a function of two variables, the first being the numerator and the second the denominator. So instead of writing $\phi((v_1 - v_2)/(v_3 - v_4))$ we have chosen to write $\phi(v_1 - v_2, v_3 - v_4)$. This can help handle singular situations such as those where $v_3 = v_4$.

Listing 6: Minmod file: minmod.m

```

function y=minmod(rup,rdown)
if(abs(rdown) <1e-16)
    y=1;
else
    r= rup/rdown;
    y = max(0,min(1,r));
end
end

```

Listing 7: Ospre file: ospre.m

```

function y=ospre(rup,rdown)
if(abs(rdown) <1e-16)
    y=1.5;
else
    r= rup/rdown;
    y = 1.5*(r*r+r)/(r*r + r + 1);
end
end

```

In order to test the programs on the transport equation with explicit Euler time advancing, a sample main program could be :

Listing 8: Test file: testtransport.m

```

function testtransport()
clear all;
x = linspace(-10,10,200); % sommets du maillage
dx = x(2)-x(1);           % pas uniforme d'espace
dt = 0.5 * dx;             % pas de temps
lambda = dt/dx;            %
xplot = (x(1:end-1) + x(2:end))/2; % centres des mailles
u = exp(-10*xplot.*xplot);   % condition initiale
uu = u;                     %
plot(xplot,u,'*-');        % dessin de la solution initiale

for i =1:2000
    t = 0 + i*dt;
    u = u + lambda * transport(t,u, @minmod);
    uu = uu + lambda * transport(t,uu,@ospre);
    plot(xplot,u,'+',xplot,uu,'-');
    legend('minmod','ospre');
    drawnow;
    %pause();
end
end

```

Note: Two functions are furnished in file **transport.m** in order to handle the connectivity between cells for periodic boundary conditions. For extended usage, It would be more practical to move them in two files **indexg.m** and **indexd.m**.

Exercice-1 : Modify the function **function [uu] =transport(t,u, limit)** to make it more

vectorial (i.e suppress loops)

Exercice-2 : Modify the main program in order to use the **Matlab** ODE solvers.

Thème - 4 Applications

Apply the Centered Kurganov-Tadmor scheme to one of the following problems:

Exercice-1 : Reactive transport in porous media

Consider

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t C_1 + V \partial_x C_1 - D \partial_{xx}^2 C_1 + K_1(C_1, x) C_1 = f_1(C_2, x) \text{ sur }]0, T[\times]0, L[, \\ \partial_t C_2 + V \partial_x C_2 - D \partial_{xx}^2 C_2 + K_2(C_2, x) C_2 = f_2(C_1, x) \text{ sur }]0, T[\times]0, L[, \end{cases}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} K_1(C, x) &= \frac{V_m^1 x}{K_h^1 + C} \delta_1, & f_1(C, x) &= -\kappa_{12} K_2(C, x) C, \\ K_2(C, x) &= \frac{V_m^2 x}{K_h^2 + C} \delta_2, & f_2(C, x) &= -\kappa_{21} K_1(C, x) C. \end{aligned}$$

Boundary conditions are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1(t, 0) &= 3.0, & \partial_x C_1(t, L) &= 0, \\ C_2(t, 0) &= 10., & \partial_x C_2(t, L) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The initial conditions are:

$$C_1(0, x) = 3.0, \quad C_2(0, x) = 0.0$$

In this exercise, we consider the following parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} V_m^i &= 1.0/\text{day}, i = 1, 2 & \kappa_{12} &= 2.0, \\ K_h^i &= 1.0 \text{mg/L}, i = 1, 2 & \kappa_{21} &= 0.5. \end{aligned}$$

We also consider the following values

$$\begin{aligned} V &= 1.0 \text{m/day}, & D &= 0.2 \text{m}^2/\text{day}, & L &= 100 \text{m}. \\ \delta_1 &= 1, & \delta_2 &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Display in the same picture the curves of C_1 and C_2 at time $t = 68$ days.

Exercice-2 : A drying model problem

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{R}^4$ and $\mathbf{g} \in R^4$. We wish to find $\mathbf{u} : [0, T] \times [0, Z] \rightarrow \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^4$ such that:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial z} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u}), \in]0, T] \times]0, Z] \\ u(0, z) = u^0(z), \quad z \in [0, Z] \\ u(t, 0) = u_0(t), \quad t \in [0, T] \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where $Z > 0, T > 0, \mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)^t$ is the vector of states variables ; $\mathbf{A} = \text{diag}(1, \frac{\mu}{\nu}, 1, \frac{\mu}{\nu})$ and each component of the application $\mathbf{u} \rightarrow \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{u})$ is defined by:

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{1S}(\mathbf{u}) &= \theta_{1S} - \frac{\beta_S(u_4 + \lambda u_2 - \lambda \zeta)}{\sigma_G - u_2} + \frac{\gamma_S u_3}{\sigma_S + u_1} \\
g_{1G}(\mathbf{u}) &= \theta_{1G} - \frac{\beta_G(u_4 + \lambda u_2 - \lambda \zeta)}{\sigma_G - u_2} + \frac{\gamma_G u_3}{\sigma_S + u_1} \\
g_{1G}(\mathbf{u}) &= \theta_{2S} - \frac{\delta_S(u_4 + \lambda u_2 - \lambda \zeta)}{\sigma_G - u_2} - \frac{\varepsilon_S u_3}{\sigma_S + u_1} \\
g_{2G}(\mathbf{u}) &= \theta_{2G} - \frac{\delta_G(u_4 + \lambda u_2 - \lambda \zeta)}{\sigma_G - u_2} + \frac{\varepsilon_G u_3}{\sigma_S + u_1}
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Sample values for the physical parameters are given by the table below:

Listing 9: Paramètres physiques

```
% mu = 18.548
% nu = 1
% betaS = 5.6180
% gammaS = 5.6180
% sigmaS = 0.20000
% deltaS = 0.044440
% gammaS = 5.6180
% sigmaS = 0.20000
% deltaS = 0.044440
% epsilonS = 0.044440
% betaG = -5.6180
% gammaG = -5.6180
% sigmaG = -0.70370
% deltaG = -0.098770
% epsilonG = -0.098770
% theta1S = 3.3307e-16
% theta1G = -3.3307e-16
% theta2S = -1.7347e-18
% theta2G = 0
% Z = 2
% T = 0.75586
% tauS = 0.17778;
% tauG = 0.17778;
% lambda = 0.01758
% zeta = 0.11111
```

For this study the initial and the boundary conditions are the following:

$$u^0 = u_0 = (1, 0, 0.21333, -0.83076)^t.$$

The components u_1, u_2 of \mathbf{u} denote respectively humidity content of the solid and the gas. The components u_3, u_4 are the density of energy transfer. They are related to the temperature T_S of the solid and the temperature T_G of the gas by the formulas:

$$T_S = \frac{u_3}{\sigma_S + u_1} - \tau_S \quad \text{and} \quad T_G = \frac{u_4 + \lambda u_2 - \lambda \zeta}{\sigma_G - u_2} - \tau_G$$

where τ_S and τ_G are two constants. For the present study case, their value will be :

$$\tau_S = \tau_G = 0.17778.$$

We wish to observe the evolution in time and space of the variables u_1, u_2, T_S, T_G .

Thème - 5 Some technical tools (Sorry written in french)

Tous les schémas qui sont présentés peuvent s'écrire sous la forme compacte $(P_{k,h}v)_j^n = 0, j \in \mathbb{Z}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, relativement à la résolution du problème continu $Pu = 0$.

Définition (Consistance). Le schéma aux différences finies $(P_{k,h}v)_j^n = 0$ est dit consistant avec le problème $Pu = 0$ si pour toute fonction régulière $\phi := \phi(t, x)$,

$$P\phi - P_{k,h}\phi \rightarrow 0$$

si $k \rightarrow 0$ et $h \rightarrow 0$, la convergence étant au sens ponctuel en chacun des points de discréttisation.

Définition (Ordre). Le schéma aux différences finies $(P_{k,h}v)_j^n = 0$ consistant avec le problème $Pu = 0$ est dit précis à l'ordre p en temps et q en espace si pour toute fonction régulière $\phi := \phi(t, x)$ telle que $P\phi = 0$, on a

$$P_{k,h}\phi = \mathcal{O}(k^p + h^q).$$

Définition (Stabilité). On dit que le schéma aux différences finies $P_{k,h}v = 0$ est stable au sens l^2 si, en posant $T = Nk$ le temps final prescrit,

$$\|v^n\| \leq C_T \|v^0\|, \quad \forall n \neq N,$$

où C_T est une constante qui ne dépend éventuellement que de T et

$$\|v\| = \left(\sum_{j=-\infty}^{+\infty} |v_j|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Définition (Norme dans $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$). Pour des suites dans $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$, on introduit les normes

$$\|v\|_{l^2(\mathbb{Z})} = \|v\|_2 = \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |v_j|^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad \|v\|_{l^2(h\mathbb{Z})} = \|v\|_h = \left(h \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |v_j|^2 \right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{h} \|v\|_2.$$

Définition (Transformée de Fourier). Soit $\widehat{\cdot}$ l'application définie par

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\cdot} : l^2(h\mathbb{Z}) &\rightarrow L^2 \left(\left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h} \right] \right) \\ v &\mapsto \widehat{v}, \end{aligned}$$

avec

$$\widehat{v}(\xi) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-ijh\xi} v_j h, \quad \xi \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h} \right].$$

Il est également possible de reconstruire la suite v si \widehat{v} est connue sur $[-\pi/h, \pi/h]$: si $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ est fixé, on multiplie en effet l'équation par $e^{ijh\xi}$ et on intègre sur l'intervalle $[-\pi/h, \pi/h]$. On obtient

$$\int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} \widehat{v}(\xi) \delta\xi = h \int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} v_j \delta\xi + h \sum_{k \neq j} \int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} e^{-i(j-k)h\xi} v_k \delta\xi.$$

Par périodicité, on obtient

$$v_j = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} e^{-ijh\xi} \widehat{v}(\xi) \delta\xi.$$

Proposition (Formule de Parseval). Pour $v \in l^2(h\mathbb{Z})$, on a

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/h}^{\pi/h} |\widehat{v}(\xi)|^2 \delta\xi = \|v\|_h^2.$$

Proposition (Transformée de Fourier et suite translatée). Le paramètre $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ étant fixé, la suite $\tau_l v$ définie par $(\tau_l v)_j := v_{j+l}$ pour $v \in l(h\mathbb{Z})$ est telle que

$$\widehat{\tau_l v}(\xi) = e^{ilh\xi} \widehat{v}(\xi), \xi \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h}\right].$$

Théorème (CNS de stabilité (1)). Un schéma aux différences finies est stable au sens l^2 si et seulement s'il existe une constante C telle que le coefficient d'amplification g vérifie $|g(h\xi)| \leq 1 + Ck$, $\forall \xi \in [-\pi/h, \pi/h]$.

Théorème (CNS de stabilité (2)). Si g ne dépend pas explicitement de k et h , alors une CNS pour assurer la stabilité au sens l^2 du schéma aux différences finies est $|g(h\xi)| \leq 1$, $\forall \xi \in [-\pi/h, \pi/h]$.