Numerical Relativity - PHY 6938

HW 8

Hand in this homework.

READ: Chap 5. & 6.

PROBLEMS:

1. Last time you studied and ran the python program advection1.py.

a) advection1.py contains 3 functions to take spatial derivatives, namely Dm, Dp, D0. Try all 3 in eval_rhs. Which one works best and why? Hint: think about boundary conditions. In order to see what happens install tgraph

(see github.com/wofti/tgraph) and look at your output by typing

python advection1.py > f1.dat

tgraph.py f1.dat

NOTE: tgraph needs additional python packages, such as matplotlib, (and maybe tkinter and tkinter.ttk), which you may have to install. Ask me if there is a problem.

b) On which side of the grid should we impose a boundary condition?

c) What boundary condition do we need to impose so that the solution becomes u(t, x) = sin(x - t).

d) Add a function set_BC to the program that is called after the line

u = calc_unew(u, rhs, dt)

and that imposes the boundary condition from c). Print your program and your resulting u at t = 1 (e.g. by using tgraph) and attach it to your homework.