CS520: DISCONTINUOUS SOLUTIONS (CH. 10)

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- We'll consider, mainly by examples:
 - Constant coefficient hyperbolic PDEs
 - Conservations laws: approximating the Burgers equation
 - What sort of schemes are there?

CONSTANT COEFFICIENT ADVECTION

- Recall that a discontinuity in initial value function $u_0(x)$ propagates along characteristic in (t, x).
- We saw various methods:
 - Lax-Wendroff
 - Leap-frog
 - dissipated Leap-frog
 - Lax-Friedrichs
 - Upwind

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EXAMPLE: TWO ADVECTION EQUATIONS MIXED

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\pi/3) & -\sin(\pi/3) \\ \sin(\pi/3) & \cos(\pi/3) \end{pmatrix}, \quad A = T \wedge T^{-1}.$$
Periodic BC on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and initial conditions $\mathbf{u}_0 = T\mathbf{w}_0$, with
$$w_0^1(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & .25 \le x < .75 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad w_0^2(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & .5 \le x < .7 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Conservation laws

THE INVISCID BURGERS EQUATION

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is a scalar conservation law with $f(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2$, a(u) = u.



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hence $f(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2$, a(u) = u. Characteristic curves are straight lines, but where they meet a shock discontinuity forms.

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EXAMPLE

Shock may be located at wrong place unless discretizing conservation form:

