

Chapter 3

Hyperbolic Partial Differential Equation

3.1. IBVP for Hyperbolic PDEs and their Discretization in Space and Time

■ LVF of hyperbolic PDEs: $V = V_0 \subset H^1(\Omega)$, $H = L_2(\Omega)$

(1) Find $u \in L_2((0, T), V)$ with $u' \in L_2((0, T), H)$ and $u'' \in L_2((0, T), V^*)$ such that

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} (u(t), v)_H + a(u(t), v) = \langle F(t), v \rangle \quad \forall v \in V \quad \forall t \in (0, T)$$

IC: $u(0) = u_0$ and $u'(0) = v_0$.

• Existence and uniqueness: see Lecture Notes

• Model Problem: Derive the LVF (1)!

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}(x, t) - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = f(x, t), \quad (x, t) \in Q_T = (0, 1) \times (0, T)$$

$$\text{BC: e.g. } u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0, \quad t \in (0, T)$$

$$\text{IC: } u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, 0) = v_0(x), \quad x \in [0, 1]$$

■ Semidiscretization in space by the VML:

$$V_h = \bar{V}_{0h} = \text{span} \{ \varphi_i : i = 1, \overline{N_h} \} \subset V = \bar{V}_0 \text{ - FE-subspace}$$

$$u_h(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_h} u_k(t) \varphi_k(x) \leftrightarrow \underline{u}_h(t) = [u_k(t)]_{k=1, \overline{N_h}} \in [H^2(0, T)]^{N_h}$$

(2) Find $\underline{u}_h(t) = [u_k(t)]_{k=1, \overline{N_h}} \in [H^2(0, T)]^{N_h}$:

$$M_h \underline{u}_h''(t) + K_h \underline{u}_h(t) = \underline{f}_h(t) \quad \forall t \in (0, T)$$

$$\text{IC: } M_h \underline{u}_h(0) = \underline{u}_{0h}, \quad M_h \underline{u}_h'(0) = \underline{v}_{0h}$$

= 2nd order ODE system