

# Freezing Method with Comsol Multiphysics

Nagumo Equation: Traveling 1-front

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## 1. Freezing Traveling Front of Nagumo Equation

Consider the Nagumo equation

$$u_t = u_{xx} + u(1-u)(u-b), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0$$

for some  $b \in (0, 1)$ , where  $u = u(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}$ .

a) We first solve the **nonfrozen Nagumo-equation**

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} u_t &= u_{xx} + u(1-u)(u-b) & , x \in \Omega, t \in (0, T_1], \\ u(0) &= u_0 & , x \in \bar{\Omega}, t = 0, \\ \partial u_x &= 0 & , x \in \partial\Omega, t \in [0, T_1], \end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = [-50, 50]$  for end time  $T_1 = 150$ , initial data  $u_0(x) = \frac{\tanh(x)+1}{2}$  and parameter  $b = \frac{1}{4}$ . For the space discretization we use linear Lagrange elements with maximal element size  $\Delta x = 0.1$ . For the time discretization we use the BDF method of maximum order 2 with intermediate time steps, time stepsize  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , relative tolerance  $\text{rtol} = 10^{-3}$  and absolute tolerance  $\text{atol} = 10^{-4}$  with global method set to be unscaled. The nonlinear equations should be solved by the Newton method. i.e. automatic (Newton).

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b) We then solve the **frozen Nagumo-equation**

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} v_t &= v_{\xi\xi} + \mu v_{\xi} + v(1-v)(v-b) & , \xi \in \Omega, t \in (0, T_2], \\ v(0) &= v_0 & , \xi \in \bar{\Omega}, t = 0, \\ v_{\xi} &= 0 & , \xi \in \partial\Omega, t \in [0, T_2], \\ 0 &= (v - \hat{v}, \hat{v}_x)_{L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R})} & , t \in [0, T_2], \\ \gamma_t &= \mu & , t \in (0, T_2], \\ \gamma(0) &= 0 & , t = 0 \end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = [-50, 50]$  for end time  $T_2 = 150$ , initial data  $v_0(\xi) = u_0(\xi)$ , reference function  $\hat{v}(\xi) = u_0(\xi)$  and parameter  $b = \frac{1}{4}$ . For the space discretization we use linear Lagrange elements with maximal element size  $\Delta x = 0.1$ . For the time discretization we use the BDF method of maximum order 2 with intermediate time steps, time stepsize  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , relative tolerance  $\text{rtol} = 10^{-3}$  and absolute tolerance  $\text{atol} = 10^{-4}$  with global method set to be unscaled. The nonlinear equations should be solved by the Newton method (automatic (Newton)).

c) Finally, we solve the **eigenvalue problem** for the linearization of the Nagumo equation

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda w &= w_{\xi\xi} + \mu_{\star} w_{\xi} + f'(v_{\star})w & , \xi \in \Omega, \\ w_{\xi} &= 0 & , \xi \in \partial\Omega \end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = [-50, 50]$ , where

$$f(v) = v(1-v)(v-b), \quad f'(v) = (1-v)(v-b) - v(v-b) + v(1-v).$$

For  $v_{\star}$  and  $\mu_{\star}$  we use the solutions  $v$  and  $\mu$  of (1.2) at the end time  $T_2 = 150$ . We determine  $\text{neigs} = 400$  eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and the corresponding eigenfunctions  $w$ . The eigenvalues are chosen such that they are closest in absolute value around the shift  $-b$ .

## 2. Model Wizard

### Start Comsol Multiphysics.

To start Comsol Multiphysics 5.1 open the **Terminal** and enter

- **comsol**

If you are using the classroom licence enter

- **comsol -ckl**

### Model Wizard.

#### Space dimension

- In the **New** window, click **Model Wizard**.
- In the **Model Wizard** window, click **1D** in the **Select Space Dimension** menu.

#### Equation for the $u$ -component

- In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Mathematics>PDE Interfaces>Coefficient Form PDE (c)**.
- Click **Add**.
- Next, locate the **Dependent Variables** section.
- In the **Field name** text field, type **u**.
- In the **Dependent variables** text field, type also **u**.

#### Equation for the $v$ -component

- In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Mathematics>PDE Interfaces>Coefficient Form PDE (c)**.
- Click **Add**.
- Next, locate the **Dependent Variables** section.
- In the **Field name** text field, type **v**.
- In the **Dependent variables** text field, type also **v**.

#### Equation for the $\mu$ -component

- In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Mathematics>PDE Interfaces>Lower Dimensions>Weak Form Boundary PDE (wb)**.
- Click **Add**.
- Next, locate the **Dependent Variables** section.
- In the **Field name** text field, type **mu**.
- In the **Dependent variables** text field, type also **mu1**.

#### Equation for the $\gamma$ -component

- In the **Select Physics** tree, select **Mathematics>PDE Interfaces>Lower Dimensions>Weak Form Boundary PDE (wb)**.
- Click **Add**.
- Next, locate the **Dependent Variables** section.
- In the **Field name** text field, type **g**.
- In the **Dependent variables** text field, type also **g1**.
- Click **Study**.

#### Study settings

- In the **Select Study** tree, select **Preset Studies for Selected Physics Interfaces>Time Dependent**.
- Click **Done**.

#### Some Advanced Settings.

**Hint:** In the **Model Builder** window you should click on the **Show** icon and enable everything that is possible from the menu: **Equation Sections** (**Equation View**, **Override and Contribution**, **Discretization**, **Stabilization**, **Advanced Physics Options**, **Advanced Study Options** and **Advanced Results Options**). Done this, click **Expand All** icon.

### 3. Geometry

- In the **Model Builder** tree, expand the **Component 1 (comp1)** node, right-click **Geometry** and select **Interval**.
- In the **Settings** window for Interval, locate the **Interval** section.
- In the **Left endpoint** text field, type **-50**.
- In the **Right endpoint** text field, type **50**.
- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)→Geometry 1** node and select **Build all**. (Alternatively, press the short cut **F8**.)

## 4. Partial differential equation for the $u$ -component (Nonfrozen PDE)

### General Settings.

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Coefficient Form PDE (c)**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Coefficient Form PDE.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Nonfrozen Equation**.
- In the **Name** text field, type **PDE1**.
- In the **Discretization** section choose
  - **Shape function type: Lagrange**,
  - **Element order: Linear**.

**Partial differential equation.** We define the PDE for the  $u$ -component:

- Switch to **Component 1 (comp1)→Nonfrozen Equation (PDE1)→Coefficient Form PDE 1**

$$e_a \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + d_a \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-c \nabla u - \alpha u + \gamma) + \beta \cdot \nabla u + a u = f$$

with  $\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ , and enter the following values

- **Mass Coefficient  $e_a$ : 0**,
- **Damping or Mass Coefficient  $d_a$ : 1**,
- **Diffusion coefficient  $c$ : 1**,
- **Conservative Flux Convection Coefficient  $\alpha$ : 0**,
- **Conservative Flux Source  $\gamma$ : 0**,
- **Convection Coefficient  $\beta$ : 0**,
- **Absorption Coefficient  $a$ : 0**,
- **Source Term  $f$ : fu**.

The quantity **fu** will be defined later in Section 8.

**Boundary Conditions.** Since the PDE of the  $u$ -component requires homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions at both end points of the interval, we do not must change anything. **Hint:** By default, there is implemented a zero flux boundary condition on the whole boundary, that corresponds to a homogeneous Neumann boundary condition.

**Initial Values.** We define the initial value  $u(\cdot, 0) = u_0$  for the partial differential equation:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Nonfrozen Equation (PDE1)→Initial Values 1**.
- In the **Initial Values** section enter
  - **Initial value for u: u0**,
  - **Initial time derivative of u: 0**.

The quantity **u0** will be defined later in Section 8. This completes the implementation of the initial boundary value problem for the  $u$ -component.

## 5. Partial differential equation for the $v$ -component (Frozen PDE)

### General Settings.

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Coefficient Form PDE 2 (c2)**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Coefficient Form PDE.

- In the **Label** text field, type **Frozen Equation**.
- In the **Name** text field, type **PDE2**.
- In the **Discretization** section choose
  - **Shape function type: Lagrange**,
  - **Element order: Linear**.

**Partial differential equation.** We define the PDE for the  $v$ -component:

- Switch to **Component 1 (comp1)→Frozen Equation (PDE2)→Coefficient Form PDE 1**

$$e_a \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2} + d_a \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-c \nabla v - \alpha v + \gamma) + \beta \cdot \nabla v + a v = f$$

with  $\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ , and enter the following values

- **Mass Coefficient  $e_a$ : 0**,
- **Damping or Mass Coefficient  $d_a$ : 1**,
- **Diffusion coefficient  $c$ : 1**,
- **Conservative Flux Convection Coefficient  $\alpha$ : 0**,
- **Conservative Flux Source  $\gamma$ : 0**,
- **Convection Coefficient  $\beta$ : 0**,
- **Absorption Coefficient  $a$ : 0**,
- **Source Term  $f$ : Fv**.

The quantity **Fv** will be defined later in Section 8.

**Boundary Conditions.** Since the PDE of the  $v$ -component requires homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions at both end points of the interval, we do not must change anything. **Hint:** By default, there is implemented a zero flux boundary condition on the whole boundary, that corresponds to a homogeneous Neumann boundary condition.

**Initial Values.** We define the initial value  $u(\cdot, 0) = u_0$  for the partial differential equation:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Frozen Equation (PDE2)→Initial Values 1**.
- In the **Initial Values** section enter
  - **Initial value for u: v0**,
  - **Initial time derivative of u: 0**.

The quantity **v0** will be defined later in Section 8. This completes the implementation of the initial boundary value problem for the  $v$ -component.

## 6. Algebraic constraint for the $\mu$ -component (Velocity)

In the following we define the phase condition for  $\mu_1$ :

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Weak Form Boundary PDE (wb)**
- Locate the **Settings** window for Weak Form Boundary PDE.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Phase Condition**.
- In the **Name** text field, type **AC1** for **algebraic constraint**.
- In the **Boundary Selection** section choose
  - **Selection: Manual**.

Now, click on the boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from the selection list.

- In the **Discretization** section choose

- **Shape function type:** Lagrange,
- **Element order:** Linear.

**Weak Form PDE.** We define the phase condition:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Phase Condition (AC1)→Weak Form PDE 1.**
- In the **Weak Expression** section enter
  - **weak:**  $test(mu1) * pc1$

The quantity **pc1** will be defined later in Section 8.

**Initial Values.** Finally, we define the initial value:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Phase Condition (AC1)→Initial Values 1.**
- In the **Initial Values** section enter
  - **Initial value for mu1:** 0,
  - **Initial time derivative of mu1:** 0.

This completes the implementation of the phase condition for  $\mu$ .

## 7. Ordinary differential equation for the $\gamma$ -component (Position)

In the following we implement the reconstruction equation for the position  $\gamma$ :

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Weak Form Boundary PDE 2 (wb2)**
- Locate the **Settings** window for Weak Form Boundary PDE.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Reconstruction Equation.**
- In the **Name** text field, type **ODE1.**
- In the **Boundary Selection** section choose
  - **Selection:** Manual.
 Now, click on the boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from the selection list.
- In the **Discretization** section choose
  - **Shape function type:** Lagrange,
  - **Element order:** Linear.
- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click **Component 1 (comp1)→Reconstruction Equation (ODE1)** and select **Weak Form PDE.**

**Weak Form PDE 1.** We define the ordinary differential equation for  $\gamma$  in a weak form:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Reconstruction Equation (ODE1)→Weak Form PDE 1.**
- In the **Weak Expression** section enter
  - **weak:**  $test(g1) * mu1$

**Initial Values.** Finally, we define the initial value:

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Reconstruction Equation (ODE1)→Initial Values 1.**
- In the **Initial Values** section enter
  - **Initial value for g1:** 0,
  - **Initial time derivative of g1:** 0.

### Weak Form PDE 2.

- Click on **Component 1 (comp1)**→**Reconstruction Equation (ODE1)**→**Weak Form PDE 2**.
- In the **Boundary Selection** section switch to **Selection All boundaries**, then back to **Selection Manual**, since otherwise there is no boundary point contained in the selection list.
- In the **Weak Expression** section enter
  - **weak:**  $-test(g1) * g1\_time$

This completes the implementation of the reconstruction equation for  $\gamma$ .

## 8. Parameters, Variables and Integration Coupling Variables

**Parameters.** We first define the parameters and constants arising in our model as 'global parameters':

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Global Definitions** node and select **Parameters**. (Alternatively: On the **Model** toolbar, click **Parameters**.)
- In the **Settings** window for Parameters, locate the **Parameters** section.
- In the table add the following entry:

Name	Expression	Value	Description
b	1/4	0.25	constant of Nagumo equation

**Variables 1.** We now define all functions which appear in our model as 'local variables'.

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)**→**Definitions** node and select **Variables**.
- In the **Settings** window for Variables, locate the **Variables** section.
- In the table add the following entries:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
fu	$u*(1-u)*(u-b)$		
u0	$(\tanh(x)+1)/2$		
fv	$v*(1-v)*(v-b)$		
Fv	$mulcpl*vx+fv$		
v0	u0		
vh	v0		
pc1_fix	$d(vh,x)*(v-vh)$		

**Integration Coupling Variables 1.** We next define an integration operator, that integrates a function over the whole spatial domain.

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)**→**Definitions** node and select **Component Couplings**>**Integration**.
- In the **Settings** window for Integration, locate the **Source Selection** section and choose
  - **Geometric entity level:** Domain,
  - **Selection:** Manual.
- Next, locate the **Advanced** section and choose
  - **Method:** Integration,
  - **Integration order:** 2,
  - **Frame:** Spatial (x,y,z).

**Integration Coupling Variables 2.** We next define an integration operator, that integrates a function over the boundary of the spatial domain.

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)→Definitions** node and select **Component Couplings>Integration**.
- In the **Settings** window for Integration, locate the **Source Selection** section and choose
  - **Geometric entity level: Boundary**,
  - **Selection: Manual**.

Now, click on the boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from the selection list.

- Next, locate the **Advanced** section and choose
  - **Method: Integration**,
  - **Integration order: 1**,
  - **Frame: Spatial (x,y,z)**.

**Variables 2.** We next define the functions, that are integrated over the whole spatial domain:

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)→Definitions** node and select **Variables**.
- In the **Settings** window for Variables, locate the **Geometric Entity Selection** section and choose
  - **Geometric entity level: Domain**,
  - **Selection: Manual**.
- Next, locate the **Variables** section and add the following entries into the table:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
intcpl_source_pc1	pc1_fix		
intcpl_source_sqr_vt	vt^2	1/s <sup>2</sup>	

**Variables 3.** We next define the functions, that are integrated over the boundary of the spatial domain:

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Component 1 (comp1)→Definitions** node and select **Variables**.
- In the **Settings** window for Variables, locate the **Geometric Entity Selection** section and choose
  - **Geometric entity level: Boundary**,
  - **Selection: Manual**.

Now, click on the boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from the selection list.

- Next, locate the **Variables** section and add the following entries into the table:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
intcpl_source_mulcpl	mul		

**Variables 4.** Finally, we define variables that contain the results of the integration

- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on the **Global Definitions** node and select **Variables**.
- In the **Settings** window for Variables, locate the **Variables** section.
- In the table add the following entries:



Name	Expression	Unit	Description
pc1	comp1.intop1(intepl_source_pc1)		
sqr_vt	comp1.intop1(intepl_source_sqr_vt)	m/s <sup>2</sup>	
mulcpl	comp1.intop2(intepl_source_mulcpl)		

## 9. Mesh

- In the **Model Builder** tree, click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Mesh**.
- In the **Settings** window for Mesh, locate the **Mesh Settings** section.
- Set the **Sequence type** on **User-controlled mesh**.
- In the **Model Builder** tree, switch to **Component 1 (comp1)→Mesh→Size**.
- In the **Settings** window for Size, locate the **Element Size Parameters** section.
- In the **Maximum element size** text field, type **0.1**.
- In the **Model Builder** tree, right-click on **Component 1 (comp1)→Mesh** and select **Build All**.

## 10. Studies and Computation

### Study 1. Study 1

- Click on **Study 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Study.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation**.

### Step 1

- Click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation→Step 1: Time Dependent**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Time Dependent.
- In the **Study Settings** section enter
  - **Time unit:** s,
  - **Times:** range(0,0.1,150),
  - **Relative tolerance:** 0.001.

The last input requires to enable the corresponding checkbox.

- In the **Physics and Variables Selection** section disable the checkboxes for **Frozen Equation (PDE2)**, **Phase Condition (AC1)** and **Reconstruction Equation (ODE1)**.

### Solver Configurations

- Right-click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation→Solver Configurations** and select **Show Default Solver**.
- Click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation→Solver Configurations→Solution 1→Time-Dependent Solver 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Time Dependent Solver.
- In the **Absolute Tolerance** section enter
  - **Global method:** Unscaled,
  - **Tolerance:** 0.0001.
- In the **Time Stepping** section enter
  - **Method:** BDF,
  - **Steps taken by solver:** intermediate,
  - **Maximum BDF order:** 2.

- Click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 1**→**Time-Dependent Solver 1**→**Fully Coupled 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Fully Coupled.
- In the **Method and Termination** section, choose
  - **Nonlinear Method: Automatic (Newton)**,

#### Solution Store

- Right-click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 1** and select **Other**>**Solution Store** from the list.
- Click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 1**→**Solution Store 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Solution Store.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Nonfrozen Solution**.

#### Study 2.

- Right-click on **unknown.mph (root)** and select **Add Study**.
- In the **Add Study** window, select **Time Dependent** and confirm by click on **Add Study**.

#### Study 2

- Click on **Study 2**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Study.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Study 2: Frozen Equation**.

#### Study 2 Step 1

- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Step 1: Time Dependent**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Time Dependent.
- In the **Study Settings** section enter
  - **Time unit:** s,
  - **Times:** range(0,0.1,150),
  - **Relative tolerance:** 0.001.

The last input requires to enable the corresponding checkbox.

- In the **Physics and Variables Selection** section disable the checkbox for **Nonfrozen Equation (PDE1)**.

#### Solver Configurations

- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations** and select **Show Default Solver**.
- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3**→**Time-Dependent Solver 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Time Dependent Solver.
- In the **Absolute Tolerance** section enter
  - **Global method:** Unscaled,
  - **Tolerance:** 0.0001.
- In the **Time Stepping** section enter
  - **Method:** BDF,
  - **Steps taken by solver:** intermediate,
  - **Maximum BDF order:** 2.

- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3**→**Time-Dependent Solver 1**→**Fully Coupled 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Fully Coupled.
- In the **Method and Termination** section, choose
  - **Nonlinear Method: Automatic (Newton)**,

#### Solution Store

- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Other**>**Solution Store** from the list.
- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3**→**Solution Store 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Solution Store.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Frozen Solution**.

**Study 2 Step 2** First, we generate the solver and study step.

- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Compile Equations**.
- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Dependent Variables**.
- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Solvers**>**Eigenvalue Solver**.
- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation** and select **Study Steps**>**Eigenfrequency**>**Eigenvalue**.
- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Step 2: Eigenvalue**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Eigenvalue.
- In the **Study Settings** section enter
  - **Eigenvalue search method: Manual**,
  - **Desired number of eigenvalues: 400**,
  - **Search for eigenvalues around: -b**,
  - **Eigenvalue search method around shift: Closest in absolute value**.
- In the **Physics and Variables Selection** section enable only the checkbox for **Frozen Equation (PDE2)**.
- In the **Values of dependent Variables** section enable the checkbox **Values of variables not solved for** and enter
  - **Method: Solution**,
  - **Study: Study 2: Frozen equation, Time Dependent**,
  - **Solution: Solution 3**,
  - **Use: Frozen Solution**,
  - **Selection: Last**.

#### Solver Configurations

- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Compile Equations**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Compile Equations.
- In the **Study and Step** section enter
  - **Use study: Study 2: Frozen Equation**,
  - **Use study step: Step 2: Eigenvalue**.

- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Dependent Variables 2**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Dependent Variables.
- In the **General** section enter
  - **Defined by study step: Step 2: Eigenvalue**.
- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Eigenvalue Solver 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Dependent Variables.
- In the **General** section enter
  - **Defined by study step: Step 2: Eigenvalue**,
  - **Relative Tolerance: 1E-7**.
- In the **Values of Linearization Point** section enter
  - **Prescribed by: Solution**,
  - **Solution: Solution 3**,
  - **Use: Frozen Solution**,
  - **Selection: Last**.

Finally, activate the checkbox **Store linearization point and deviation in output**.

#### Solution Store

- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3** and select **Other**>**Solution Store** from the list.
- Click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation**→**Solver Configurations**→**Solution 3**→**Solution Store 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Solution Store.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions**.

#### 10.1. Computation.

- Right-click on **Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation** and select **compute** from the list.
- Right-click on **Study 2: Frozen Equation** and select **compute** from the list.

## 11. Postprocessing and graphical output

In this section we generate 10 Plot groups for visualizing our results.

#### 11.1. Results for nonfrozen equation.

##### Plot Group 1: Traveling Front, View 1

- Click on **Results**→**1D Plot Group 1**. Hint: If **1D Plot Group 1** does not exist, right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Traveling Front, View 1**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation/Nonfrozen Solution**, **Time selection Interpolated** and **Times (s) 0 40 80 120**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label x** and **y-axis label u(x,t)**.

- Click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 1**→**Line Graph 1**. Hint: If **Line Graph 1** does not exist, right-click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 1** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression u**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression x**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Cycle** and **Width 2** in the **Line style** subsection.
- In the **Legends** section enable the **Show legends** checkbox, select **Legends Manual** and enter the legends **t=0**, **t=40**, **t=80** and **t=120**.

#### Plot Group 2: Traveling Front, View 2

- Click on **Results**→**1D Plot Group 2**. Hint: If **1D Plot Group 2** does not exist, right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Traveling Front, View 2**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 1: Nonfrozen Equation/Nonfrozen Solution** and **Time selection All**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label x** and **y-axis label t**.
- Click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 2**→**Line Graph 1**. Hint: If **Line Graph 1** does not exist, right-click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 2** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression t**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression x**.
- Right-click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 2**→**Line Graph 1** and select **Color Expression**.
- Click on **Results**→**Traveling Front, View 2**→**Line Graph 1**→**Color Expression 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Color Expression.
- In the **Expression** section select **Expression u**.

#### 11.2. Results for frozen equation.

##### Plot Group 3: Profile, View 1

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Profile, View 1**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution** and **Time selection Last**.

- In the **Title** section select **Title type** None.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label**  $x$  and **y-axis label**  $v(x,150)$ .
- Right-click on **Results**→**Profile, View 1** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set** From parent.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection** All domains.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression**  $v$ .
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters** Expression and **Expression**  $x$ .
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line** Solid, **Color** Blue and **Width** 2 in the **Line style** subsection.

#### Plot Group 4: Profile, View 2

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Profile, View 2**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set** Study 1: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution and **Time selection** All.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type** None.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label**  $x$  and **y-axis label**  $t$ .
- Right-click on **Results**→**Profile, View 2** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set** From parent.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection** All domains.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression**  $t$ .
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters** Expression and **Expression**  $x$ .
- Right-click on **Results**→**Profile, View 2**→**Line Graph 1** and select **Color Expression**.
- Click on **Results**→**Profile, View 2**→**Line Graph 1**→**Color Expression 1**.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Color Expression.
- In the **Expression** section select **Expression**  $v$ .

#### Plot Group 5: Velocities

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Velocities**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set** Study 2: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution and **Time selection** All.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type** None.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label**  $t$  and **y-axis label**  $\mu(t)$ .
- Right-click on **Results**→**Velocities** and select **Point Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Point Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set** From parent.

- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All boundaries**. Now, select boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from selection.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression mu1**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression t**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Blue** and **Width 2** in the **Line style** subsection.

#### Plot Group 6: Positions

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Positions**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution** and **Time selection All**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label t** and **y-axis label gamma(t)**.
- Right-click on **Results**→**Positions** and select **Point Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Point Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All boundaries**. Now, select boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from selection.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression g1**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression t**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Blue** and **Width 2** in the **Line style** subsection.

#### Plot Group 7: Reference function

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Reference Function**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution** and **Time selection First**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label x** and **y-axis label vh(x)**.
- Right-click on **Results**→**Reference Function** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression vh**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression x**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Blue** and **Width 2** in the **Line style** subsection.

#### Plot Group 8: $\|v_t\|_{L^2}$ and $\mu_{1,t}$

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.

- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **L2-Norm of vt and abs of mult**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Frozen Solution** and **Time selection All**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label t**. The **y-axis label** remains disabled.
- In the **Axis** section enable the checkbox for **y-axis log scale**.
- Right-click on **Results**→**L2-Norm of vt and abs of mult** and select **Point Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Point Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All boundaries**. Now, select boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from selection.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression sqrt(sqr \_ vt)**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression t**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Blue** and **Width 2**.
- In the **Legends** section enable the **Show legends** checkbox, select **Legends Manual** and enter the legend  $||\mathbf{v}_t||_{L^2}$ .
- Right-click on **Results**→**L2-Norm of vt and abs of mult** and select **Point Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Point Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All boundaries**. Now, select boundary point **2** and click on the minus sign - to remove the point from selection.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression abs(mult)**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression t**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Dashed**, **Color Red** and **Width 2**.
- In the **Legends** section enable the **Show legends** checkbox, select **Legends Manual** and enter the legend  $|\mu_1_t|$  in the **Line style** subsection.

### 11.3. Results for eigenvalue study.

#### Plot Group 9: Eigenvalues and Spectrum

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Eigenvalues and Spectrum**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions** and **Eigenvalue selection All**.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label Re lambda** and **y-axis label Im lambda**.
- In the **Axis** section enable the **Manual axis limits** checkbox and select **x minimum -6**, **x maximum 2**, **y minimum -1** and **y maximum 1**.



- Right-click on **Results**→**Eigenvalues and Spectrum** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions**, **Eigenvalue selection From** list and select all eigenvalues except the zero eigenvalue.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression imag(lambda)**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression -real(lambda)**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Red** and **Width 1** in the **Line style** subsection, and **Marker Circle** as well as **Positioning in data points** in the **Line markers** subsection.
- Right-click on **Results**→**Eigenvalues and Spectrum** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions**, **Eigenvalue selection From** list and select the zero eigenvalue.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression imag(lambda)**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression -real(lambda)**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line None**, **Color Blue** and **Width 1** in the **Line style** subsection, and **Marker Circle** as well as **Positioning in data points** in the **Line markers** subsection.

#### Plot Group 10: Eigenfunctions

- Right-click on **Results** and select **1D Plot Group** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for 1D Plot Group.
- In the **Label** text field, type **Eigenfunctions**.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set Study 2: Frozen Equation/Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions**, **Eigenvalue selection From** list and select all eigenvalues except the zero eigenvalue.
- In the **Title** section select **Title type None**.
- In the **Plot Settings** section select **x-axis label x** and **y-axis label  $v(x)$** .
- Right-click on **Results**→**Eigenfunctions** and select **Line Graph** from the list.
- Locate the **Settings** window for Line Graph.
- In the **Data** section select **Data set From parent**.
- In the **Selection** section select **Selection All domains**.
- In the **y-Axis Data** section select **Expression v**.
- In the **x-Axis Data** section select **Parameters Expression** and **Expression x**.
- In the **Coloring and Style** section select **Line Solid**, **Color Cycle** and **Width 2** in the **Line style** subsection.