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Chap. 6: Numerical schemes for hyperbolic systems of CLs

Consider hyperbolic system

$$(I) \quad u_t + f(u)_x = 0 \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}\times(0,\infty)$$

$$(II) \quad u(x,0) = u^0(x) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}\times\{0\}$$

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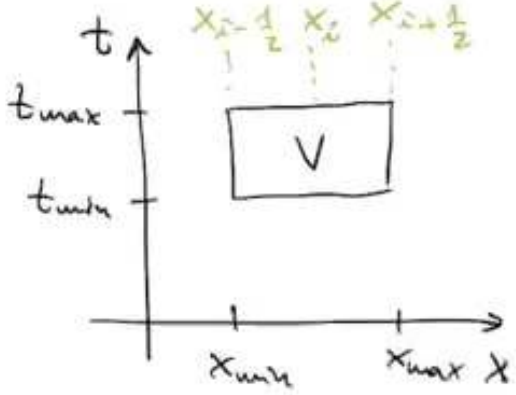
Motivation:

Integrate (I) over control volume V:



$$\iint \left[u_t + f(u)_x\right] dt\, dx$$

$$= \int \left[u(x, t_{max}) - u(x, t_{min})\right] dx$$

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$$(*)\quad \int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} \left[u(x,t^{n+1}) - u(x,t^n)\right] dx + \int_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} \left[f(u(x_{i+\frac{1}{2}},t)) - f(u(x_{i-\frac{1}{2}},t))\right] dt = 0$$

change in u in the volume $[x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}, x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}]$ during $[t^n, t^{n+1}]$

flow difference through cell interfaces during $[t^n, t^{n+1}]$

Assume there is a function $g: \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^m$ ("numerical flux") such that:

average conserved variable

$$u_i^n \equiv \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} u(x,t^n)\, dx$$

average flux through interface in Δt

$$g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \equiv g(u^n_i, u^n_{i+1}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t}\int_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} f(u(x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}, t))\,dt$$

$$g^n_{i-\frac{1}{2}} \equiv g(u^n_{i-1}, u^n_i) = \frac{1}{\Delta t}\int_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} f(u(x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}, t))\,dt$$

and $(\star)$ $\quad u^{n+1}_i - u^n_i = -\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}\left(g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - g^n_{i-\frac{1}{2}}\right)$

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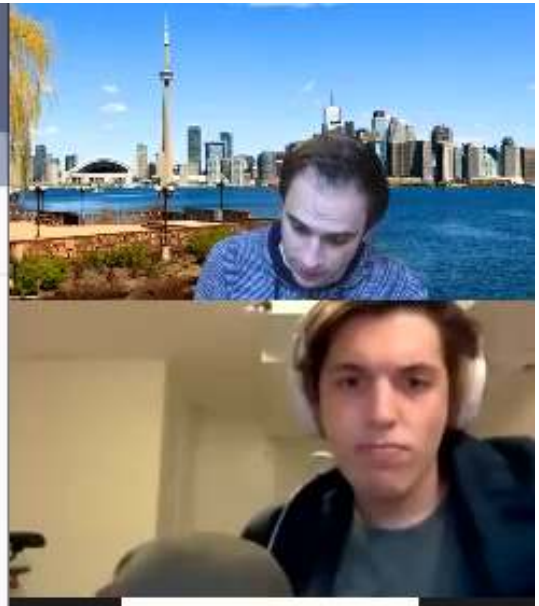

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This is because:

consider $u^0(x) = \text{const}$

$\Rightarrow$ $u = u^0$ is a solution of CL

and $g^0_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = g(u^0_i, u^0_{i+1}) = g(u_0, u_0)$

$$g^0_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\Delta t}\int_0^{\Delta t} f(u(x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}, t))\, dt$$

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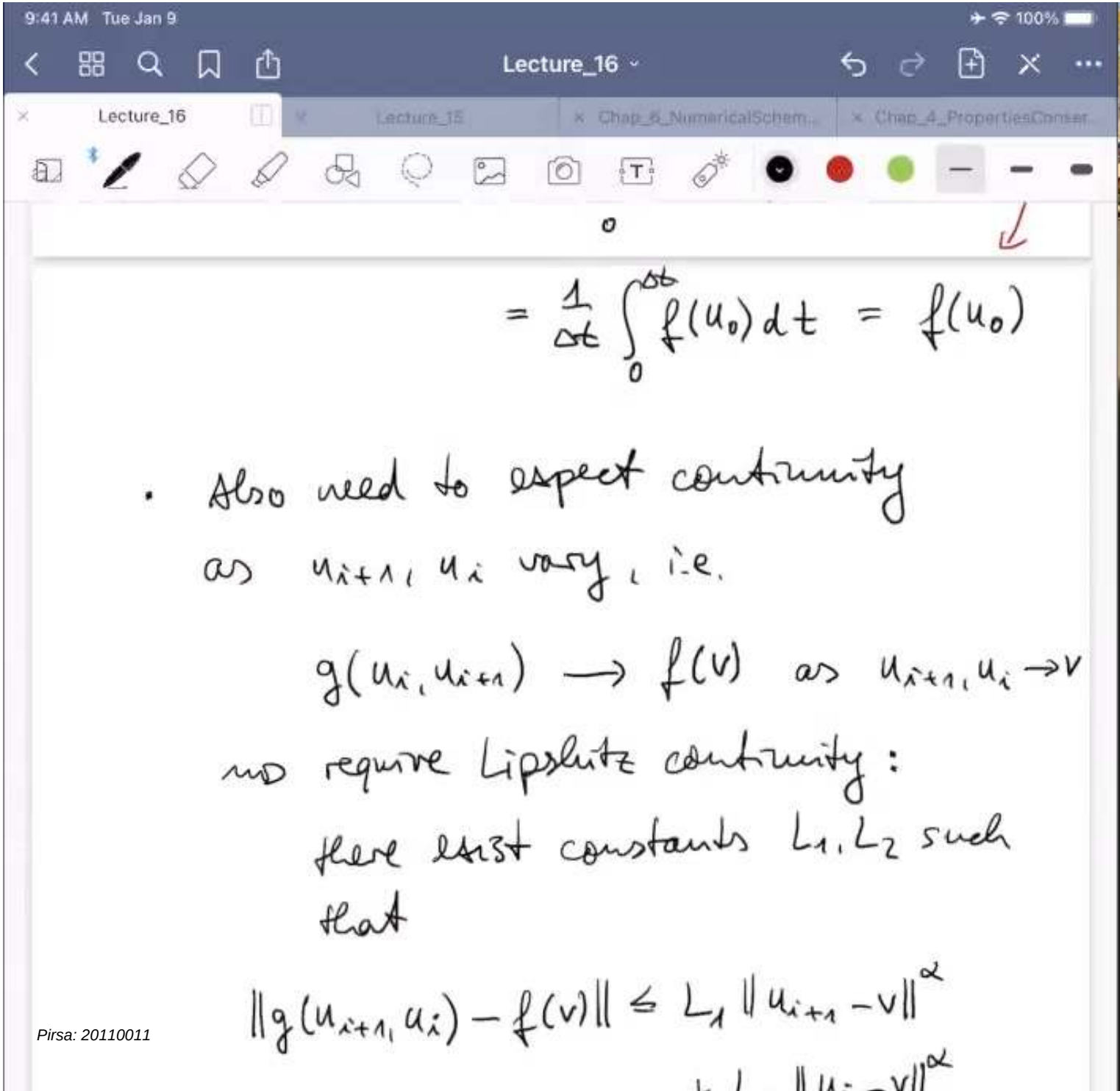
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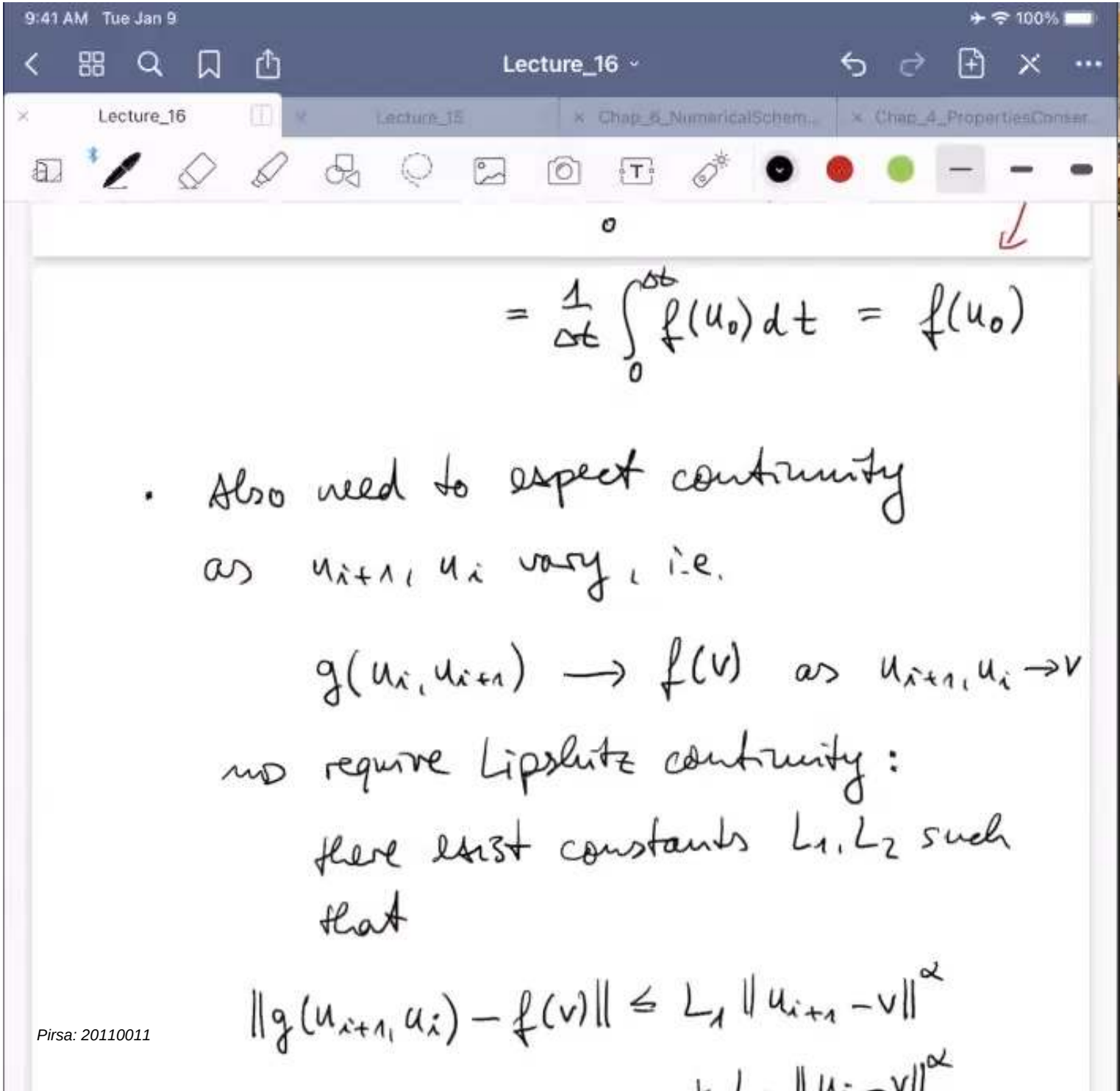
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$$\|g(u_{i+1}, u_i) - f(v)\| \leq L_1 \|u_{i+1} - v\|^{\alpha} + L_2 \|u_i - v\|^{\alpha}$$

typically: $\alpha = 1$

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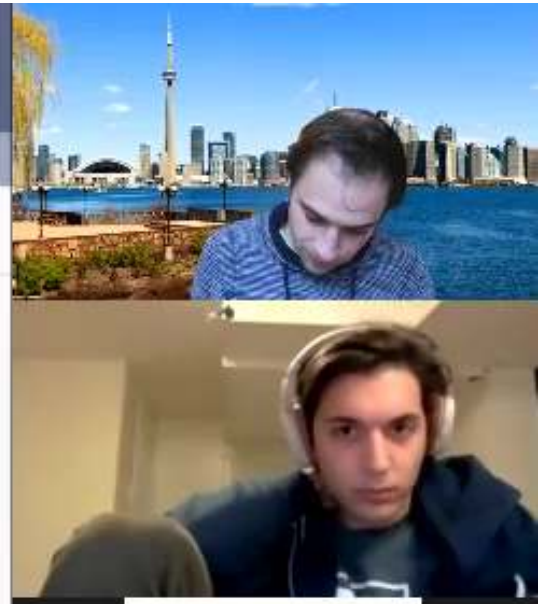
is said to be in conservation form with numerical flux g.

Remarks: 1) The definition can be generalized to

$$u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n = -\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}\Big\{\theta\big[g(u_i^{n+1}, u_{i+1}^{n+1}) - g(u_{i-1}^{n+1}, u_i^{n+1})\big] - (1+\theta)\big[g(u_i^n, u_{i+1}^n) - g(u_{i-1}^n, u_i^n)\big]\Big\}$$

for $0 \le \theta \le 1$. For $\theta = 0$: explicit scheme

$\theta = 1$: implicit scheme



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$\theta = 1$: implicit scheme

2) The important property of a scheme in conservative form is that it guarantees the conservation property of the solution on the discretized level:

$$\sum_i \left(g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - g^n_{i-\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \sum_i \left[g(u^n_i, u^n_{i+1}) - g(u^n_{i-1}, u^n_i) \right]$$

cancel terms cancel

$$= 0$$

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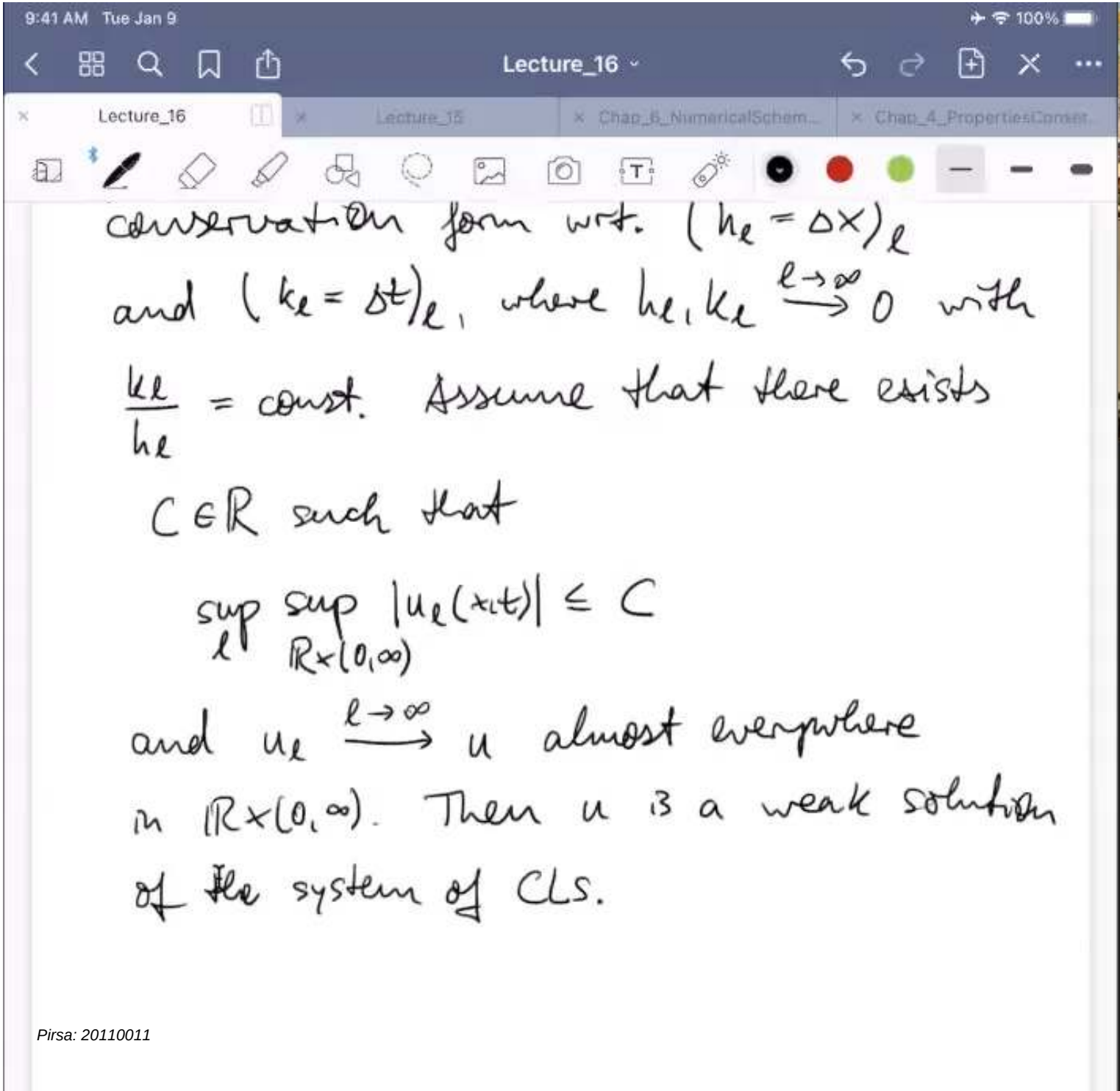
6.2 Convergence: Lax-Wendroff theorem & entropy condition

Theorem: (Lax-Wendroff 1960): Comm. Pure Appl. Math 13 217-237

Let $(u_\ell)_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of discrete solutions of a scheme in conservation form wrt. $(h_\ell = \Delta x)_\ell$ and $(k_\ell = \Delta t)_\ell$, where $h_\ell, k_\ell \xrightarrow{\ell \to \infty} 0$ with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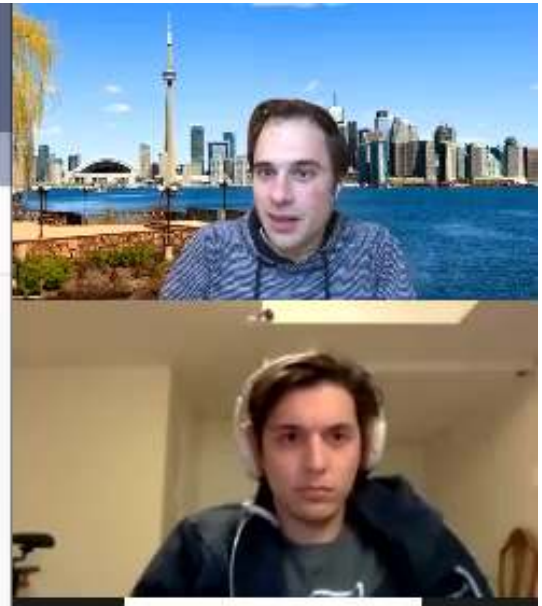
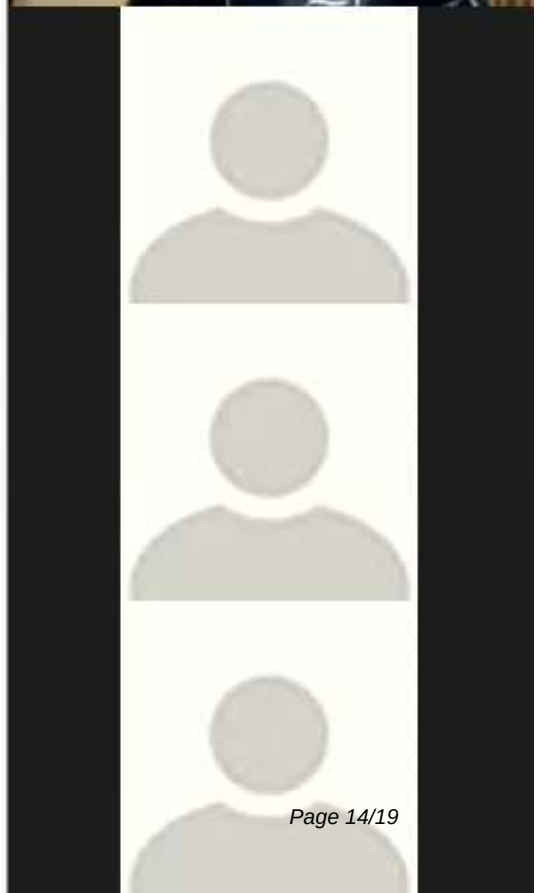
$\frac{k_\ell}{h_\ell}$ = const. Assume that there exists
$C \in \mathbb{R}$ such that
$\sup_\ell \sup_{\mathbb{R}\times(0,\infty)} |u_\ell(x,t)| \le C$
and $u_\ell \xrightarrow{\ell\to\infty} u$ almost everywhere
in $\mathbb{R}\times(0,\infty)$. Then u is a weak solution
of the system of CLS.





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Proof: Consider explicit case ($\theta = 0$).

Choose $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^m \times (0,\infty))$ and multiply

↑ compact support

scheme by φ:

$$(*) \quad \Delta x \left(u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n\right) \varphi(x_i, t^n) = -\Delta t \left(g_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n - g_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n\right) \varphi(x_i, t^n)$$

① Analyze convergence of LHS:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n\right) \varphi(x_i, t)$$

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① Analyze convergence of LHS:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(u_i^{n+1}-u_i^n)\,\varphi(x_i,t) \overset{\text{partial summation}}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_i^n\left[\varphi(x_i,t^{n-1}) - \varphi(x_i,t^n)\right] - u_i^0\,\varphi(x_i,0)$$

$$= -\int_0^{\infty} u_\ell(x_i,t)\,\partial_t\varphi(x_i,t)\,dt - u_i^0\,\varphi(x_i,0)$$

$u_\ell(x_i,t) = u_i^n$ at any

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Add sum over x_i:

$$\Delta x \sum_i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n)\, \varphi(x_i, t^n)$$

$$= -\sum_i \Delta x \left\{ \int_0^\infty u_\ell(x_i,t)\, \partial_t \varphi(x_i,t)\, dt - u_i^0 \varphi(x_i,0) \right\}$$

$$= -\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^\infty u_\ell(x,t)\, \partial_t \varphi(x,t)\, dt dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}} u^0(x) \varphi(x,0) dx$$

$$\Big| \ \ell \to \infty \qquad + O(\Delta x)$$

② Analyze convergence of RHS:

$$-\Delta t \sum_i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - g^n_{i-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \varphi(x_i, t^n)$$

$$= -\Delta t \sum_i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \left[\varphi(x_i, t^n) - \varphi(x_{i+1}, t^n)\right]$$

↑ partial summation

$$= \Delta x \Delta t \sum_i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \partial_x \varphi(x_i, t^n) + \underline{\mathcal{O}(\Delta t)}$$

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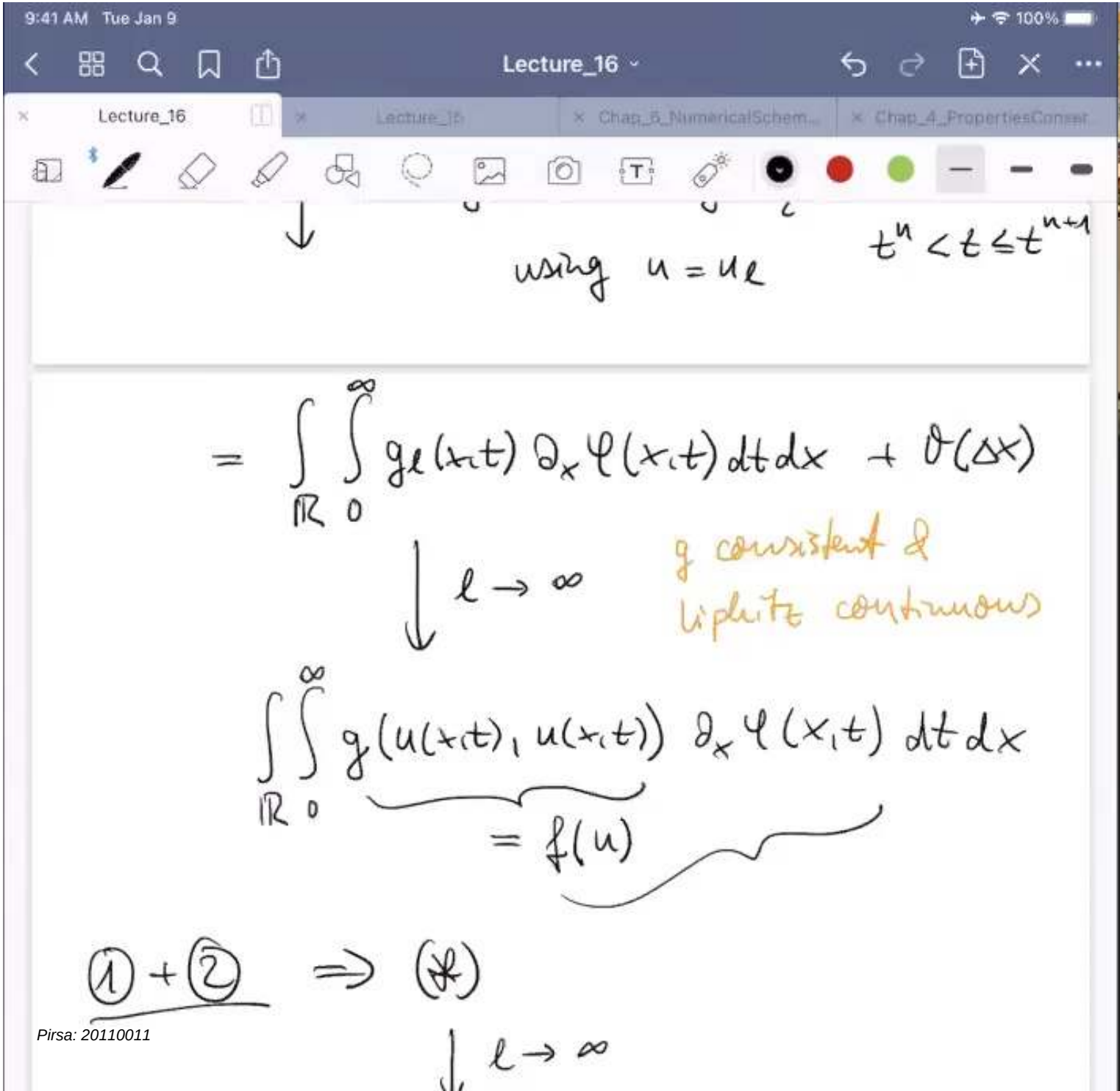
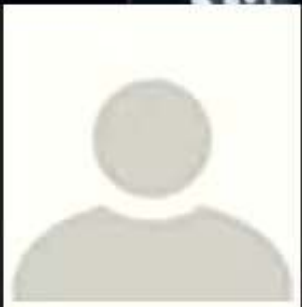
Set: $g_\ell(x,t) \equiv g^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ $\quad x_i \le x < x_{i+1}$, $t^n < t \le t^{n+1}$

using $u = u_\ell$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$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^\infty g_\ell(x,t)\, \partial_x \varphi(x,t)\, dt\, dx + \theta(\Delta x)$
$\ell \to \infty$
g consistent & Lipschitz continuous
$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_0^\infty g(u(x,t), u(x,t))\, \partial_x \varphi(x,t)\, dt\, dx$
$= f(u)$
① + ② ⇒ (*)
$\ell \to \infty$