

THE FINITE VOLUME METHOD BASIS

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Summary of the talk:

- Introduction
- Physical Models considered
- Exact solutions for Scalar Conservation Laws - Shocks and Entropy
- Exact solutions for Systems of Conservation Laws
- Application to Dam Break problem
- The Finite Volume Method for 1D Scalar problems
- The Finite Volume Method for 2D problems

The goal of this presentation is to propose some basic ideas behind the development of a complete finite volume code for the numerical simulation of multifimensional hydrodynamic and flow problems. In particular, Finite Volume method rely on the hypothesis of a piecewise constant approximate solution. This implies that at each time level one has to solve a collection of local Riemann Problems. This short course aims to explain the properties of these Riemann Problem, how to solve them both in the case of scalar conservation laws and the case of nonlinear hyperbolic systems, and from this to devise the general concept of conservative, stable and convergent Finite Volume schemes.

MAIN PHYSICAL MODELS

Non Linear Systems Considered

We are interested by fluid flow problems described by such non linear systems:

$$[\partial W/\partial t] + [\partial F(W)/\partial x] + [\partial G(W)/\partial y] + [\partial H(W)/\partial z] = S(W) \quad (1)$$

Examples:

Homogeneous Hyperbolic systems

$$[\partial W/\partial t] + [\partial F(W)/\partial x] + [\partial G(W)/\partial y] + [\partial H(W)/\partial z] = 0 \quad (2)$$

Euler equations in one space dimension

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\partial\rho/\partial t] + [\partial(\rho u)/\partial x] = 0 \\ [\partial(\rho u)/\partial t] + [\partial(\rho u^2 + P)/\partial x] = 0 \\ [\partial E/\partial t] + [\partial[u(E + P)]]/\partial x = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (3)$$

with the perfect gas equation of state:

$p = (\gamma - 1) (E - [1/2] \rho u^2)$, where ρ is the fluid density, u the velocity, E the energy and p the pressure.

We consider water flow in a configuration where the water depth is neglectible when compared to the characteristic length of the domain. [4]).

If the bottom is flat, and the friction neglectible, the problem is described by the following system:

$$\begin{cases} [\partial h / \partial t] + [\partial(hu) / \partial x] = 0 \\ [\partial(hu) / \partial x] + [\partial / \partial x] (hu^2 + [1/2] gh^2) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

h being the water depth, u the velocity, and g the gravity constant.

Consider the 1D scalar problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial f(u) / \partial x] = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \times]0, T[\\ u = u(x, t) \in \mathbb{R} \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

In the sequel, note $X = \mathbb{R} \times [0, T[$.

Example, Burger's equation: $[\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial / \partial x] ([u^2 / 2]) = 0$

Theorem

The 3 following assertions are equivalent:

i) u is a weak solution of problem (5), i.e:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (u [\partial\varphi/\partial t] + f(u) [\partial\varphi/\partial x]) dx dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_0(x)\varphi(x, 0) dx = 0,$$

$$\forall \varphi \in D(\mathbb{R} \times [0, +\infty[)$$

ii) $\forall R = [x_1, x_2] \times [t_1, t_2] \subset \Omega = \mathbb{R} \times [0, T]$,

$$\int_{\partial R} [u \cdot n_t + f(u) \cdot n_x] d\sigma = 0$$

Theorem

iii) If u is C^1 , u is classical solution of $[\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial / \partial x] f(u) = 0$, and on a shock curve $\Gamma(u_l, u_r)$, the solution is governed by the jump condition: $[f(u)] = s[u]$.

One defines the jump $[u] = u_r - u_l$, and the curve $\Gamma(u_l, u_r)$, which equation is: $[dx/dt] = s$, separates the left and right states u_l and u_r

The jump condition is called the Rankine-Hugoniot condition in gas dynamics.

Remark

- *i) says that we are considering solutions in the distribution sense*
- *iii) is used to develop exact solutions*
- *ii) is the basic property to write finite volume schemes*

Smooth solution

If $u \in C^1(X)$, one has: (5) $\implies [\partial u / \partial t] + f'(u) [\partial(u) / \partial x] = 0$
then in the frame (x, t) , u is constant on the characteristic curve
given by:

$$\begin{cases} [dx(t)/dt] = f' [u(x(t), t)] \\ x(t=0) = x_0 \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

One deduce the solution u :

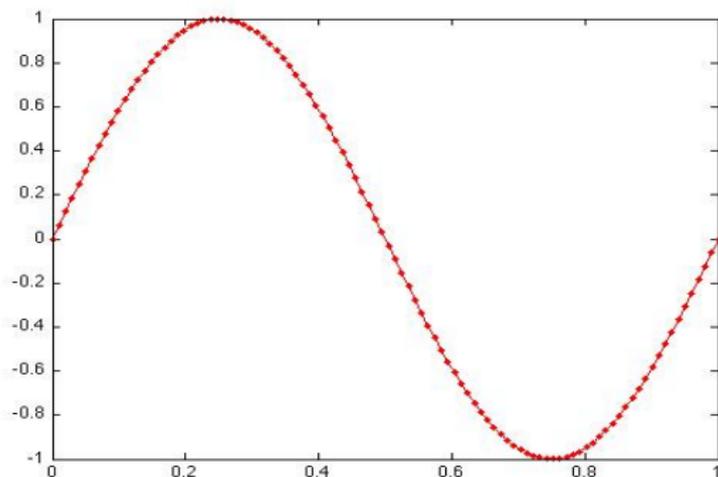
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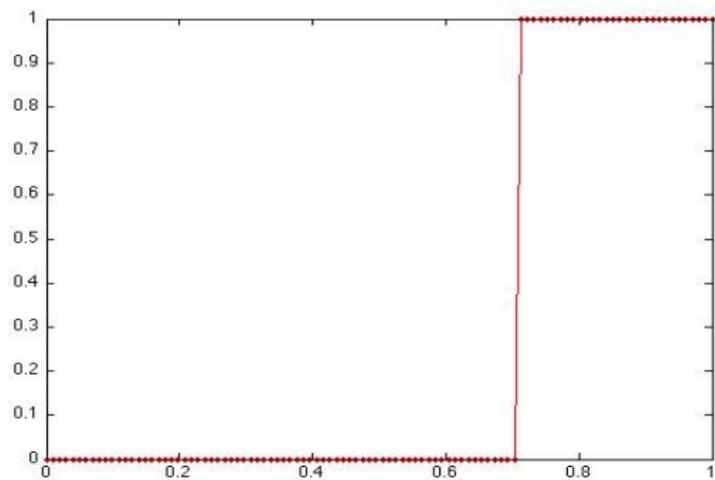
1. Linear case

$$f(u) = cu : [\partial u / \partial t] + c [\partial u / \partial x] = 0 \implies a(u) = c$$

characteristic curve: $x = x_0 + tc \Leftrightarrow x_0 = x - ct$

Solution: $u(x, t) = u_0(x - ct)$





2. Burger's equation

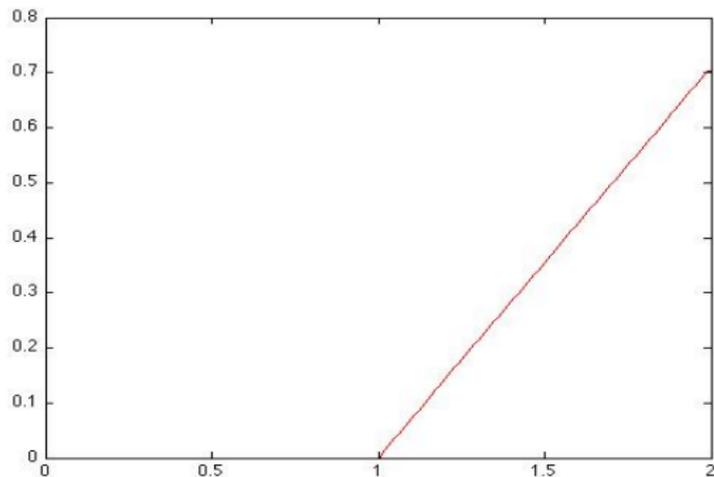
Consider the non linear equation:

$$[\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial / \partial x] [u^2 / 2] = 0,$$

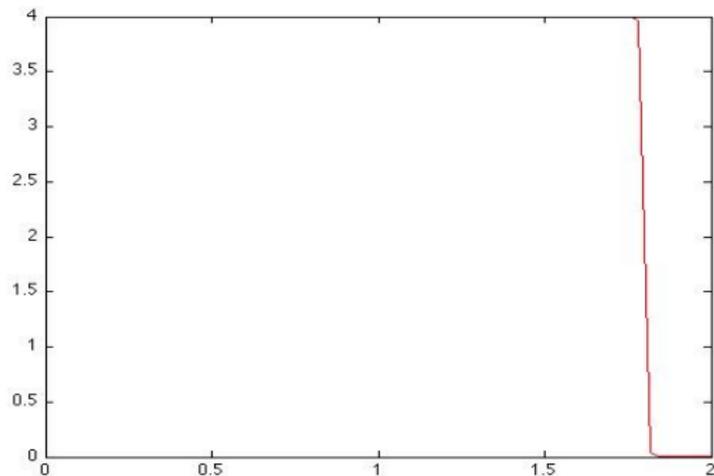
here $f(u) = [u^2 / 2]$, then $a(u) = f'(u) = u$

The characteristic curve is given by: $x = x_0 + tu_0(x_0)$

Continuous solution of Burgers equation



Discontinuous solution of Burgers equation



Non Unicity of weak solutions

Example: Consider the Burger's equation:

$$[\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial / \partial x] [u^2 / 2] = 0 \quad (7)$$

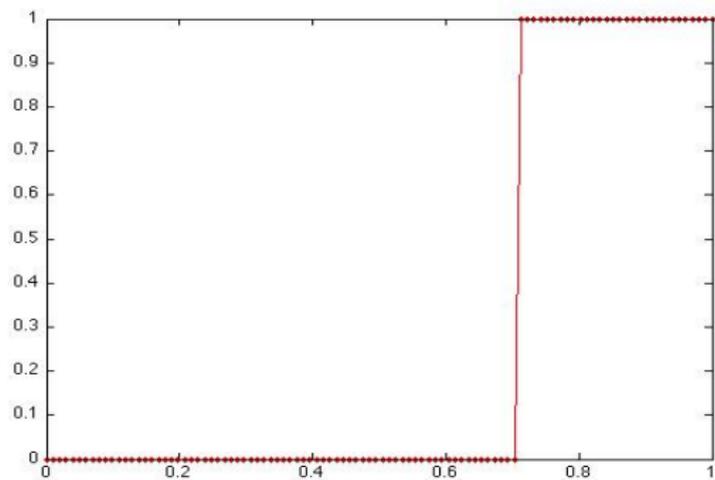
and the initial condition : $u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

First possibility: a weak solution with the shock $\Gamma(0, 1)$.

The jump condition gives:

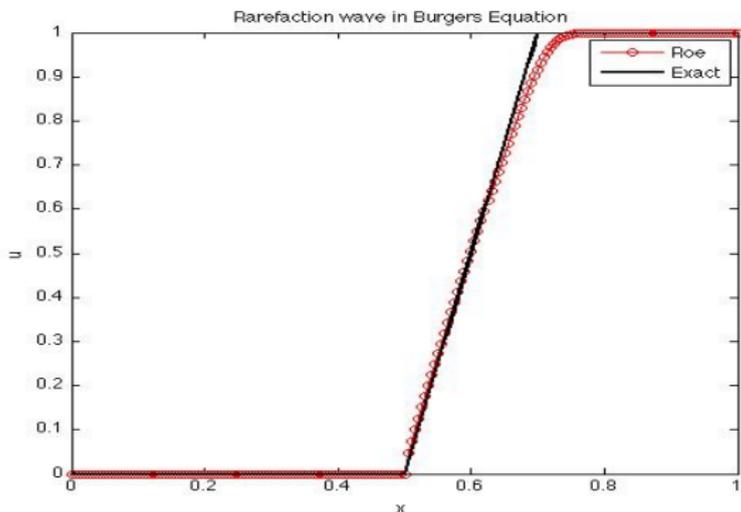
$$[f(u)] = s[u] \implies [[u_r^2/2] - [u_l^2/2]] = s[u_r - u_l] \implies s =$$

$$[1/2] \implies u(x, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{si } [x/t] < [1/2] \\ 1 & \text{si } [x/t] \geq [1/2] \end{cases}$$



Second possibility: a continuous weak solution.

$$u(x, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{si } [x/t] < 0 \\ [x/t] & \text{si } 0 \leq [x/t] < 1 \\ 1 & \text{si } [x/t] \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



We come to the fact that one needs a specific criterium to select, among the above two weak solutions, the unique physical one.

The entropy solution

Definition

A smooth convex function U , is said to be an entropy of the problem, if there exists an entropy flux F such that:

$$U'(u)f'(u) = F'(u).$$

Definition

a weak solution u of (5) is said entropy solution if

$\forall \varphi \in D(\mathbb{R} \times]0, T]) :$

$$\int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{R}} (U(u) [\partial\varphi/\partial t] + F(u) [\partial\varphi/\partial x]) dx dt \geq 0, \text{ where } U \text{ is an}$$

entropy of the problem, and F its entropy flux.

Theorem

(Kruzkov 1970) Under some regularity assumptions on u_0 , there exists a unique entropy weak solution of problem (5).

Proposition

A piecewise C^1 function u , is an entropy weak solution of (5) if and only if:

- i) u is a classical solution in (x, t) regions where u is C^1
- ii) On an shock curve Γ , u satisfies $[F(u)] \leq s [U(u)]$, $\forall (U, F)$ a couple of entropy and antropy flux.

Corollaire

1) If f is strictly convex, then a shock is entropic if and only if:
 $f'(u_r) < s < f'(u_l)$

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Application : the first weak solution in example (7) is non entropic, and hence non admissible.
The second weak solution is the unique entropy solution.

EXACT SOLUTION FOR HYPERBOLIC SCL

Let A be a constant square matrix of order p , $W_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R})^p$, and the system:

$$\begin{cases} [\partial W/\partial t] + A[\partial W/\partial x] = 0 \\ W(x, 0) = W_0(x) \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

We assume that the system is strictly hyperbolic (i.e. A is \mathbb{R} -diagonalizable and has p distinct eigenvalues).

Hyperbolic Systems

Hyperbolic system means $A = R\Lambda R^{-1}$ with
 $\Lambda = \text{Diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_j, \dots, \lambda_p)$ and $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_j < \dots < \lambda_p$.
 $R = [r_1, \dots, r_j, \dots, r_p]$ is the eigenvectors matrix, i.e.:

$$A r_j = \lambda_j r_j$$

The rows l_i of the inverse matrix R^{-1} are the left eigenvalues of the system, i.e.:

$$l_i A = \lambda_i l_i, \quad \text{and} \quad l_i \cdot r_j = \delta_{ij}$$

and

$$R^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 & & \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & l_i & \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ & l_p & \end{bmatrix}$$

Proposition

The solution of the linear system is given by:

$$W(x, t) = \sum_{j=1}^p [l_j \cdot W_0(x - \lambda_j t)] \cdot r_j.$$

Proof: Let's make the change of variable

$$V = R^{-1}W, \quad (v_j = l_j W).$$

Thus,

$$W = RV = \sum_{j=1}^p v_j r_j.$$

The linear system becomes

$$\begin{aligned} [\partial V / \partial t] + \Lambda [\partial V / \partial x] &= 0, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t > 0, \\ V(x, 0) &= R^{-1} W_0(x) = V_0(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$v_j(x, t) = v_j(x - \lambda_j t, 0) = l_j W_0(x - \lambda_j t),$$

and

$$W(x, t) = RV(x, t) = \sum_{j=1}^p v_j(x, t) r_j.$$

Proposition

The solution of the Riemann problem

$$[\partial W / \partial t] + [\partial / \partial x] F(W(x, t)) = 0,$$

$$W(x, 0) = W_0(x) = \begin{cases} W_L, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ W_R, & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases}$$

is self-similar i.e.,

$$W(x, t) = H([x/t]).$$

Proof:

For $\alpha > 0$ let $y = \alpha x$ and $\tau = \alpha t$. Let

$$U(y, \tau) = W(x, t) = W([y/\alpha], [\tau/\alpha]).$$

Remark that

$$U(y, \tau = 0) = W_0([y/\alpha]) = \begin{cases} W_L, & \text{if } y \leq 0, \\ W_R, & \text{if } y > 0, \end{cases},$$

$$[\partial U / \partial \tau] = [1/\alpha] [\partial W / \partial t], \quad \text{and} \quad [\partial F(U) / \partial y] = [1/\alpha] [\partial F(W) / \partial x].$$

Hence,

$$[\partial U / \partial \tau] + [\partial / \partial y] F(U) = 0.$$

Thus,

$$U(y, \tau) = W(y, \tau) = W(\alpha x, \alpha t) = W(x, t),$$

and W is constant on the rays $[x/t] = cst$,

$$W(x, t) = H([x/t])$$

Consider the initial value problem:

$$\begin{aligned} [\partial W / \partial t] + A [\partial W / \partial x] &= 0, \\ W(x, 0) = W_0(x) &= \begin{cases} W_L, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ W_R, & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Note that if $W_L = \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_k r_k$ and $W_R = \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k r_k$

$$W_R - W_L = \sum_{k=1}^p (\alpha_k - \beta_k) r_k.$$

Proposition

The solution of the problem (9) is made of constant states, separated by characteristic curves $C_k : [x/t] = \lambda_k$ in the frame (x, t) . The solution shows a jump

$$[W]_k = (\beta_k - \alpha_k) r_k,$$

across the k -characteristic C_k . λ_k is the speed of propagation of the discontinuity $[W]_k$ (also called k -wave).

Remark that $v_{0,k}(x) = l_k \cdot \sum_{j=1}^p \gamma_j(x) r_j$,

where $\gamma_j(x) = \alpha_j$ if $x < 0$, and $\gamma_j = \beta_j$ if $x > 0$.

But $l_k \cdot r_j = \delta_{k,j}$, hence $v_k(x, t) = \gamma_k(x - \lambda_k t)$.

And as $W(x, t) = \sum_{k=1}^p v_k(x, t) r_k$,

Finally $\forall(x, t)$ such that $[x/t] \neq \lambda_k$:

$$W(x, t) = \sum_{[x/t] < \lambda_k} \alpha_k r_k + \sum_{[x/t] > \lambda_k} \beta_k r_k$$

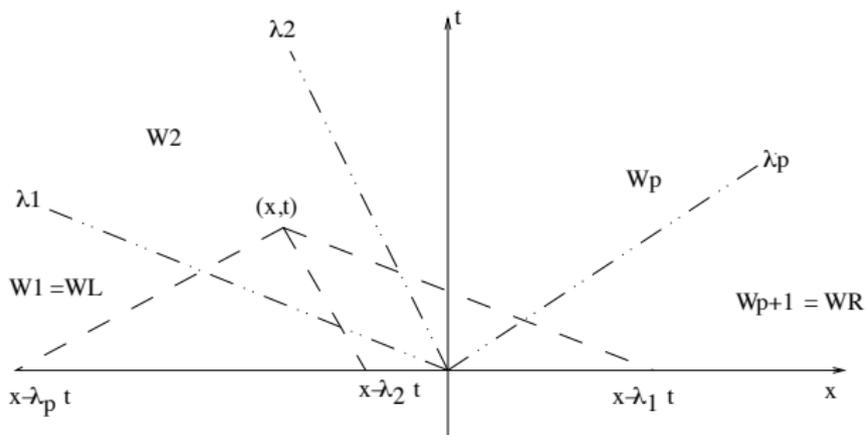


Figure: Riemann Problem Solution

One has:

$$W(x, t) = W_L + \sum_{[x/t] > \lambda_k} (\beta_k - \alpha_k) r_k,$$

or

$$W(x, t) = W_R + \sum_{[x/t] < \lambda_k} (\beta_k - \alpha_k) r_k,$$

Remark: Solving the Riemann Problem consists in a decomposition of the initial discontinuity into several jumps:

$$W(x, t) = W_L + \sum_1^P (\beta_k - \alpha_k) r_k,$$

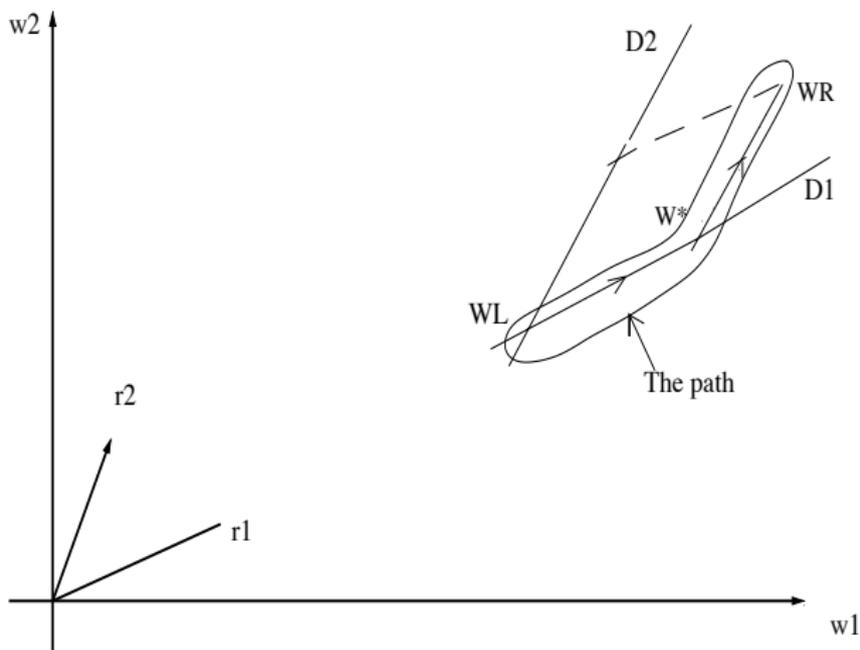


Figure: Riemann Problem Solution in Phase frame

Lines D_1 and D_2 give the location of all the states that can be connected to W_L by a 1-wave or a 2-wave family.

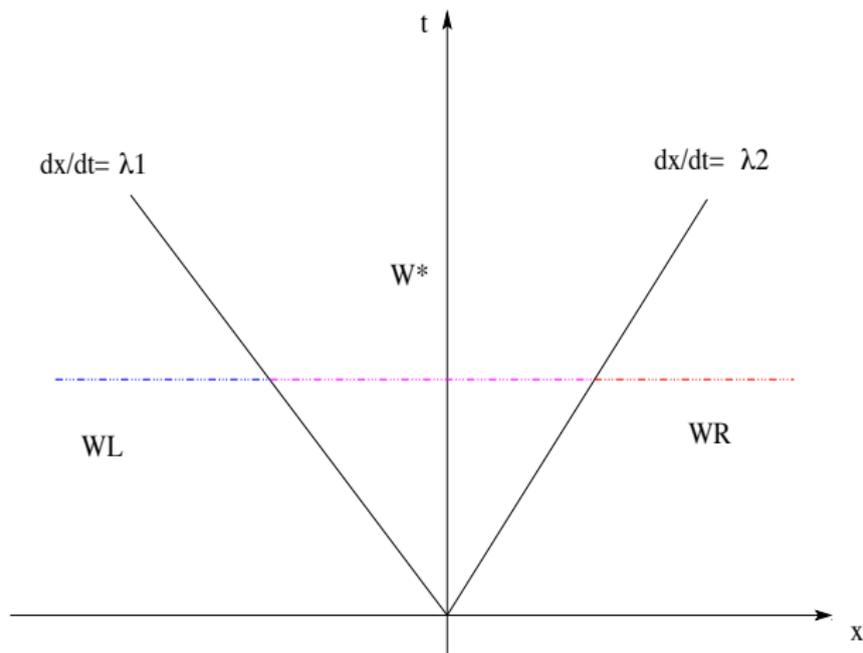


Figure: Riemann Problem Solution in (x,t) frame

Non Linear Riemann Problem

Consider the problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\partial W / \partial t] + [\partial F(W) / \partial x] = 0 \\ W(x, 0) = \begin{cases} W_L, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ W_R, & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} \end{array} \right.$$

We assume that $F'(W) = A(W)$ is strictly diagonalisable in \mathbb{R} , with:
 $\lambda_1(W) < \lambda_2(W) < \dots < \lambda_p(W)$.

Goal: Construct a weak solution made of m discontinuities propagating at speeds:

$$s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_m.$$

Consider the discontinuity (\hat{W}, \tilde{W}) with speed s .

The jump condition (Rankine-Hugoniot) writes:

$$F(\hat{W}) - F(\tilde{W}) = s(\hat{W} - \tilde{W})$$

This gives m equation with $m + 1$ unknowns.

→ A one-parameter family solution.

In analogy with the linear case, one writes:

$$\tilde{W}_I = \tilde{W}_I(u, \hat{W}) = \hat{W} + ur_I, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$s_I = s_I(u, \hat{W})$$

\tilde{W}_I is connected to \hat{W} by a l-wave.

Proposition

The curve (Hugoniot Locus) \tilde{W}_I is tangent to the vector r_I at $W = \hat{W}$.

Proof: Remark that $\tilde{W}_I(0, \hat{W}) = \hat{W}$, then derive the Rankine Hugoniot relation with respect to u and put $u = 0$.

One gets $m = p$, $s_I(0, \hat{W}) = \lambda_I$, and $\left[d\tilde{W}/du \right] = \alpha r_I(\hat{W})$.

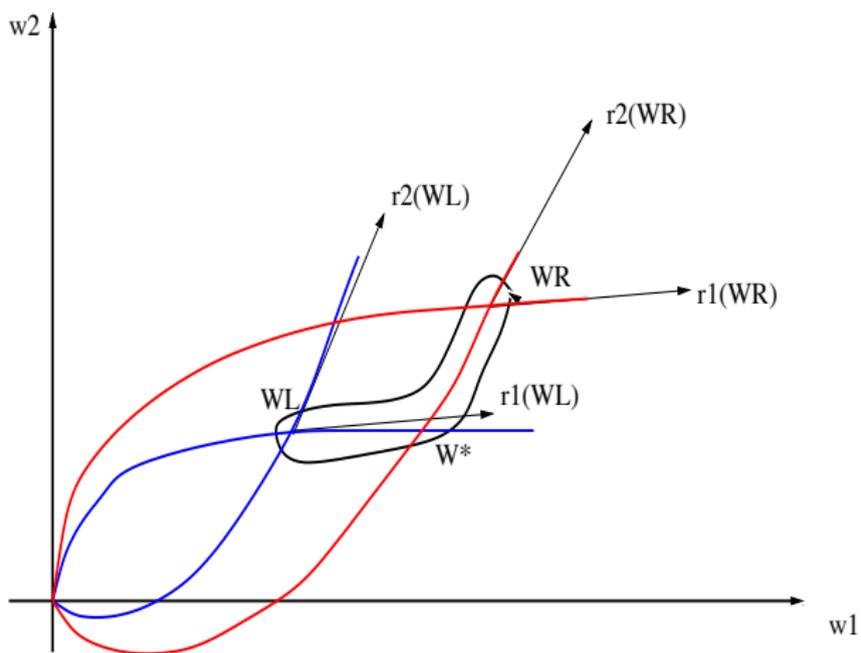


Figure: Non Linear Riemann Problem Solution in phase frame

Application: exact solution for Dam break problem

$$\begin{cases} [\partial h/\partial t] + [\partial(hu)/\partial x] = 0 \\ [\partial(hu)/\partial x] + [\partial/\partial x] (hu^2 + [1/2] gh^2) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

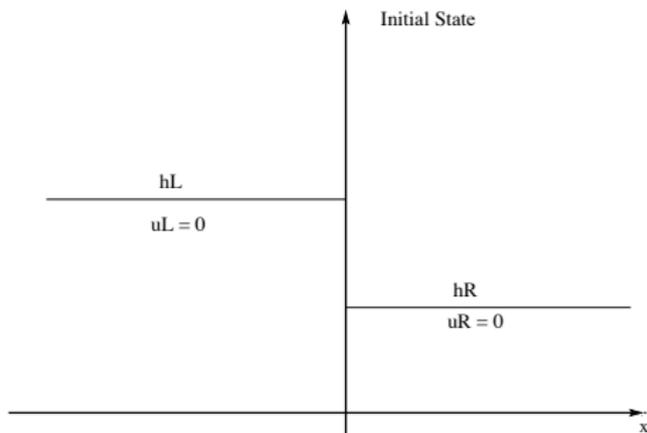


Figure: Initial condition for Dam break problem

Here $r_1(W) = [1, \lambda_1(W)]^T$, $r_2(W) = [1, \lambda_2(W)]^T$, where $\lambda_1(W) = u - c$ and $\lambda_2(W) = u + c$.

The Rankine Hugoniot relation gives:

$$\tilde{u} = \epsilon(\hat{h} - \tilde{h})\sqrt{[g/2] \left(\left[\frac{1}{\hat{h}} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{\tilde{h}} \right] \right)}, \text{ where } \epsilon = 1 \text{ or } \epsilon = -1.$$

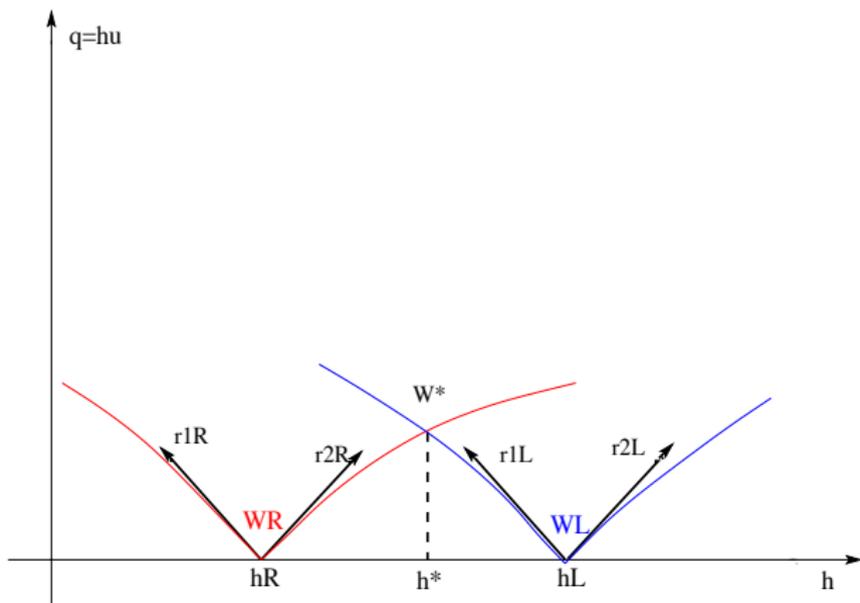


Figure: Dam Break Solution in phase frame based on Rankine Hugoniot relation

One then gets:

$$u^* = (h_L - h^*)\sqrt{[g/2] ([1/h_L] + [1/h^*])}$$

$$s_1 = [-u^* h^* / (h_L - h^*)]$$

$$u^* = (h^* - h_R)\sqrt{[g/2] ([1/h_R] + [1/h^*])}$$

$$s_2 = [u^* h^* / (h^* - h_R)]$$

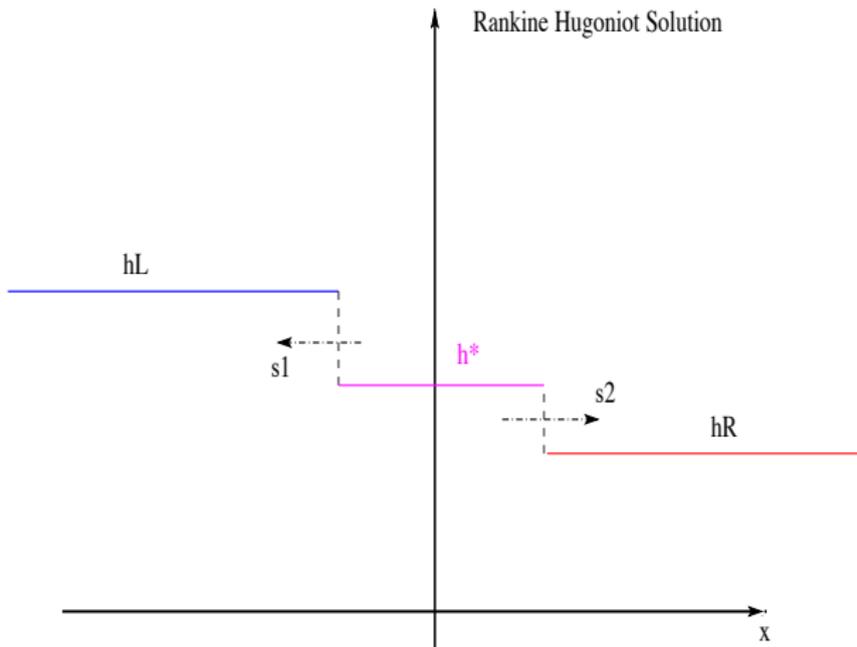


Figure: Dam Break Solution in phase frame with the hypothesis of two shocks

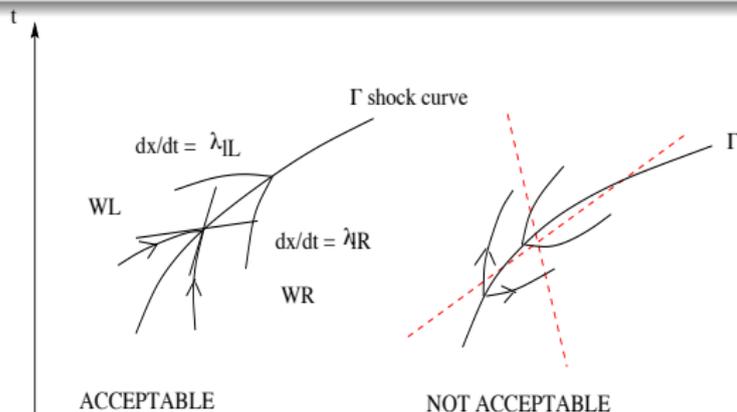
Proposition

A shock in a l-wave family is admissible if:

$$\lambda_l(W_L) > s_l > \lambda_l(W_R)$$

or

$$\lambda_l^{-1}(W_L) < s_l^{-1} < \lambda_l^{-1}(W_R)$$



Proposition

Let $W(x, t) = H([x/t])$ the solution of the Riemann Problem in a smooth region. Then H is the solution of the following ODE:

$$H'(\mu) = [\lambda_l(H(\mu)) \cdot r_l(H(\mu))]^{-1} \cdot r_l(H(\mu))$$

$$\mu_1 < \mu < \mu_2$$

$$H(\mu_1) = W_L$$

Application to SW system gives the solution:

$$h = [1/9g] \left(2\sqrt{gh_L} - [x/t] \right)^2$$

$$u = [2/3] \left(\sqrt{gh_L} + [x/t] \right)$$

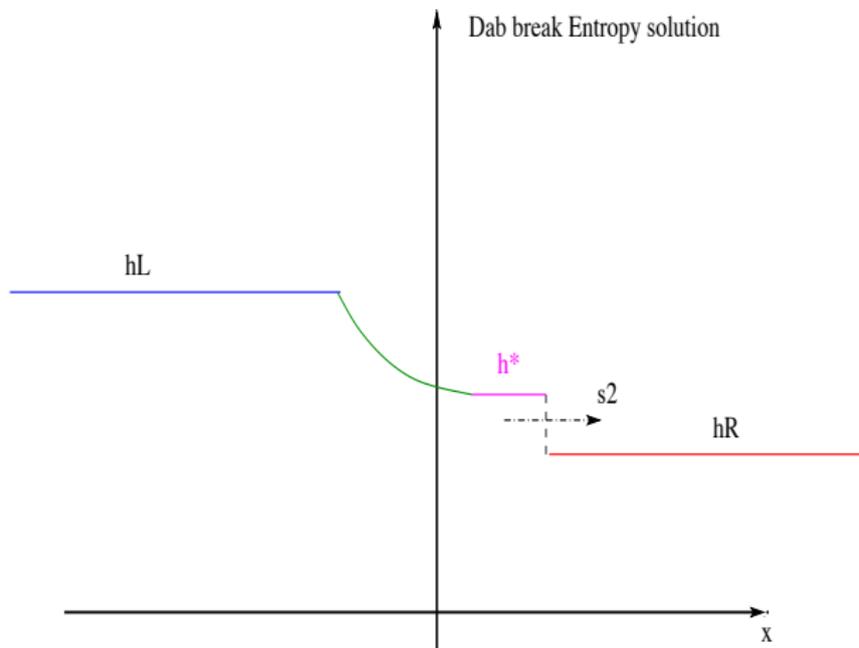
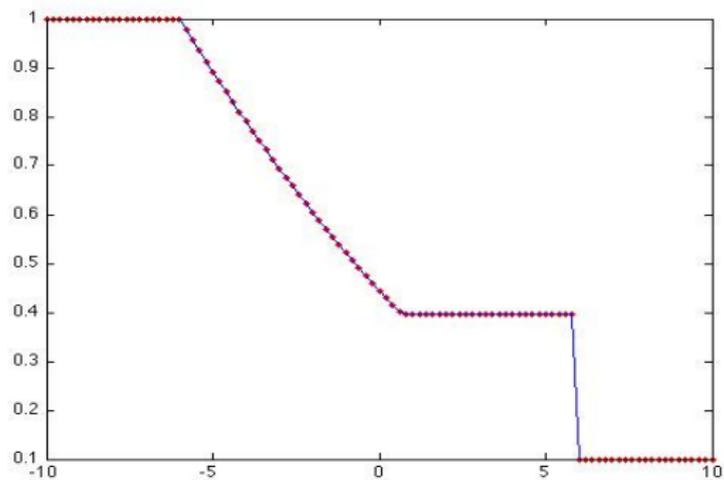
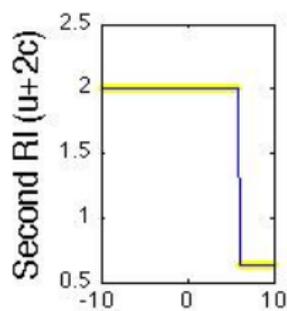
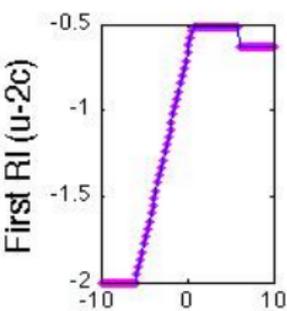
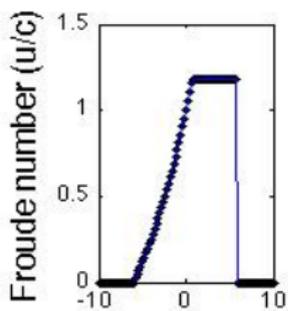
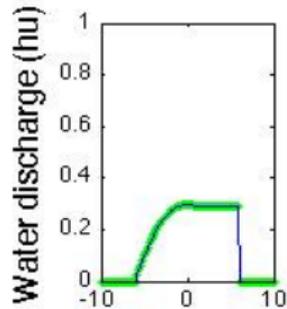
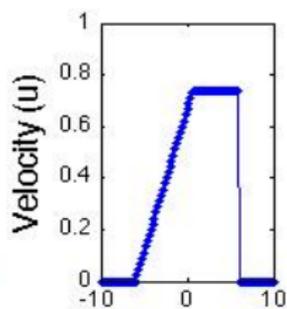
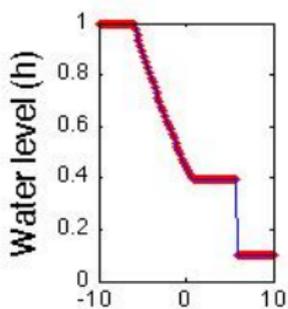


Figure: Dam Break Entropy Solution





The method of Finite Volumes for scalar 1D problems

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$$\begin{cases} [\partial u / \partial t] + [\partial f(u) / \partial x] = 0 \\ u_0(x) = \begin{cases} u_l & \text{si } x < 0 \\ u_r & \text{si } x > 0 \end{cases} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

Lemma

The solution of the Riemann problem is self similar. i.e.: there exists a function g such that $u(x, t) = g([x/t])$.

proof of the lemma:

consider the change of variables: $X = \alpha x$, and $\tau = \alpha t$, $\alpha > 0$

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The method of Finite Volumes for scalar 1D problems

We discretize the spacial domain: $\mathbb{R} : x_j = jh, j \in \mathbb{Z}$, and the temporal domain: $[0, T[: t_n = n\tau$.

Let $u_j^n = u^n(x_j)$ be the approximate solution of u at (x_j, t_n) . Introduce the piecewise constant function $u_\tau(x, t) = u^n(x)$ if $t \in T_n = [t_n, t_{n+1}[$, where $u^n(x) = u_j^n$ if $x \in I_j =]x_{j-1/2}, x_{j+1/2}[$. Recall that if u_τ is a weak solution of the problem, one has (property *ii*):

$$\forall R \subset \mathbb{R} \times [0, T] : \int_{\partial R} [u_\tau \cdot n_t + f(u_\tau) \cdot n_x] d\sigma = 0$$

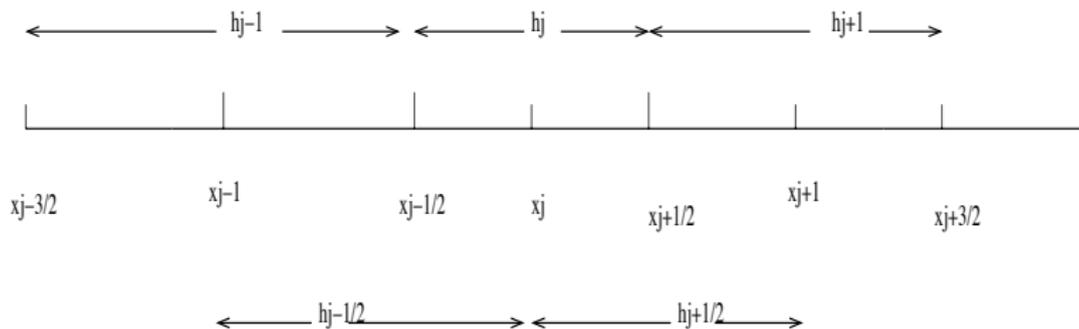


Figure: 1D discretization

Using $R = R_j^n = I_j \times T_n$ and the approximation:

$$u_j^{n+1} = [1/h] \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} u_\tau(x, t_{n+1}) dx$$

one gets:

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - [\tau/h] [f(\text{Riem}(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n)) - f(\text{Riem}(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n))]$$

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$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - r [g^G(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) - g^G(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n)]$$

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Fundamental Lax-Wendroff theorem

Theoreme

Consider $X = \mathbb{R} \times [0, T[$

Suppose S_τ is conservative with a Lipschitz continuous flux and

$u^0 = [1/h] \int_{I_j} u_0(x) dx$, if:

i) $\|u_\tau\|_{L^\infty(X)} \leq C$

ii) $u_\tau \rightarrow u$, when $\tau \rightarrow 0$, almost everywhere (a.e.) in $L^1(X)$
then u is a weak solution of the problem.

Lemme

The set $BV(X) = \{v \in L^1(X) \text{ such that } VT(v) < R, \text{ and } \text{supp}(v(\cdot, t)) \subset [-A, A] \subset \mathbb{R}\}$, is a compact subset of $L^1(X)$.

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$$VT(u_\tau) = \sum_{n=0}^{T/\tau} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\tau \left| u_{j+1}^n - u_j^n \right| + h \left| u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n \right| \right)$$

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A convergent conservative finite volume scheme with lipschitz continuous numerical flux, which is entropy consistent, converges to the unique entropy solution.

Incremental form of a finite volume scheme

Definition

A finite volume scheme is under incremental form if one can writes:

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + C_{j+[1/2]}^n \Delta u_{j+[1/2]}^n - D_{j-[1/2]}^n \Delta u_{j-[1/2]}^n \quad (12)$$

with:

$$\Delta u_{j+[1/2]}^n = u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n$$

Proposition

Under the conditions: $\forall j \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall n \geq 0$

$$C_{j+[1/2]}^n \geq 0, \quad D_{j+[1/2]}^n \geq 0 \quad (13)$$

$$C_{j+[1/2]}^n + D_{j+[1/2]}^n \leq 1 \quad (14)$$

The finite volume scheme under incremental form is TVD stable.

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The finite volume scheme under incremental form is L_∞ stable.

FINITE VOLUMES FOR 2D PROBLEMS

$$W_t + F(W)_x + G(W)_y - \tilde{F}(W)_x - \tilde{G}(W)_y = S(W)$$

$$W = (h, hu, hv, hC)^T$$

$$F(W) = (hu, hu^2 + \frac{g}{2}h^2, huv, huC)^T$$

$$G(W) = (hv, huv, hv^2 + \frac{g}{2}h^2, hvC)^T \quad (17)$$

$$\tilde{F}(W) = (0, 0, 0, hD_x \frac{\partial C}{\partial x})^T \quad \tilde{G}(W) = (0, 0, 0, hD_y \frac{\partial C}{\partial y})^T$$

$$S(W) = (0, gh(S_{ox} - S_{fx}), gh(S_{oy} - S_{fy}), 0)^T$$

where g is the gravity acceleration. S_{ox} , S_{oy} and S_{fx} , S_{fy} are respectively the bed slopes and friction terms. C means the average pollutant concentration, D_x and D_y are dispersion coefficients considered equal in the sequel.

The Finite Volume method

The integration of equation (17) is done over a finite volume T_i . We will denote by ∂T_i the boundary of cell T_i , by Γ_{ij} the interface between cells T_i and T_j , and $E(i)$ is the set of triangles that have common edge with volume T_i .

The Finite Volume method

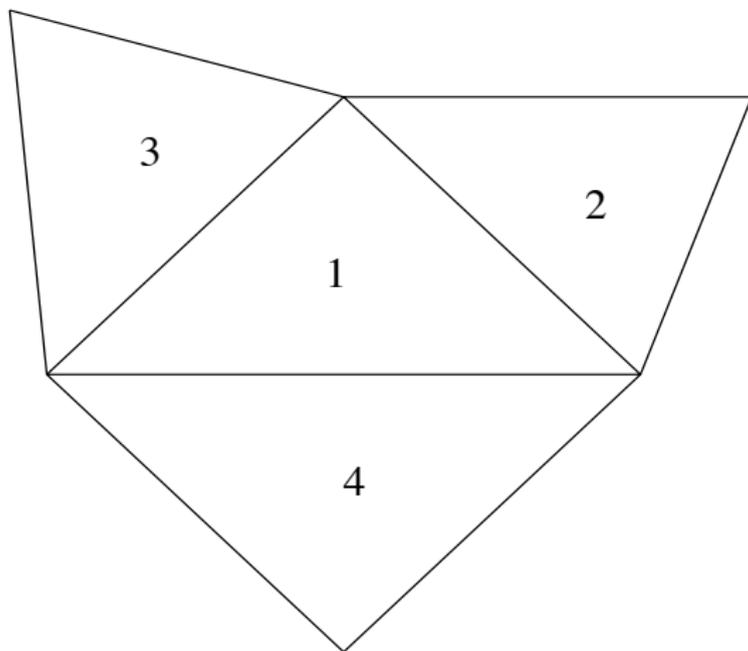
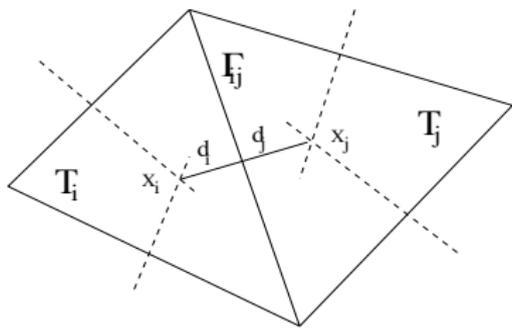


Figure: cell and neighbors

The Finite Volume method



Let us write:

$$\mathcal{F}(W, \vec{n}) = n_x F(W) + n_y G(W),$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(W, \vec{n}) = n_x \tilde{F}(W) + n_y \tilde{G}(W),$$

where (n_x, n_y) are components of the outward unit normal to ∂T_i .
Due to Green's formula, this leads to:

$$\text{Meas}(T_i) \frac{\partial W_i}{\partial t} + \int_{\partial T_i} \mathcal{F}(W, \vec{n}) d\sigma - \int_{\partial T_i} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(W, \vec{n}) d\sigma = \int_{T_i} S(W) dV \quad (18)$$

one has to evaluate the convection and diffusion flux $\mathcal{F}(W, \vec{n})$,
 $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(W, \vec{n})$ over the three borders of the cell T_i .

The Finite Volume method

Let us split the boundary of the cell T_i in a union of partial boundaries associated to each edge.

$$\partial T_i = \bigcup_{j \in E(i)} \Gamma_{ij}$$

eqn(18) gives at time t_{n+1} ,

$$W_i^{n+1} = W_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{A(T_i)} \left\{ \sum_{j \in E(i)} \left(\int_{\Gamma_{ij}} \mathcal{F}(W, \vec{n}) d\sigma - \int_{\Gamma_{ij}} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(W, \vec{n}) d\sigma \right) \right\} - \frac{\Delta t}{A(T_i)} \int_{T_i} S(W) dV$$

We seek an approximation of

$$\int_{\Gamma_{ij}} \mathcal{F}(W, \vec{n}) d\sigma = \Phi(W_i, W_j, \vec{n}_{ij}) \text{meas}(\Gamma_{ij})$$

where Φ is the numerical flux, W_i and W_j are respectively the values of W at cells T_i and T_j .

P.L. Roe proposed a particular choice of Φ based upon the resolution of approximate linear Riemann problems,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(W_i, W_j, \vec{n}_{ij}) &= \frac{1}{2}[\mathcal{F}(W_i, \vec{n}_{ij}) + \mathcal{F}(W_j, \vec{n}_{ij})] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}|A^*(W_i, W_j, \vec{n}_{ij})|(W_j - W_i) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

with specific requirements about the matrix A^* .

Second Order using MUSCL method

The scheme described above is first order accurate for the convective part. It can be easily extended to second order accuracy upon non-structured meshes, by using MUSCL technique introduced by Van Leer³. We can split this technique in two steps: First, in order to increase the accuracy of the scheme, one approximates the state W in the set of linear piecewise functions. At the interface Γ_{ij} , we define left and right states given by linear interpolation,

$$W_{ij}^- = W_i + \frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla} W_i \cdot \vec{G}_i \vec{G}_j, \quad (20)$$

$$W_{ij}^+ = W_j - \frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla} W_j \cdot \vec{G}_i \vec{G}_j,$$

where $\vec{\nabla}$ denotes the gradient operator, G_i and G_j are respectively the barycenters of cells T_i and T_j .

The remaining problem is to evaluate the gradient upon the cell considered. In our case, $\frac{\partial W_i}{\partial x}$ and $\frac{\partial W_i}{\partial y}$ are evaluated as the minimum points of the following quadratic function,

$$\Psi_i(X, Y) = \sum_{j \in K(i)} |W_i + (x_j - x_i)X + (y_j - y_i)Y - W_j|^2$$

where $K(i)$ is the indices set of neighbourhood triangles that have common edge or vertex with the triangle T_i , (x_i, y_i) are barycenter coordinates of cell T_i .

The Finite Volume method

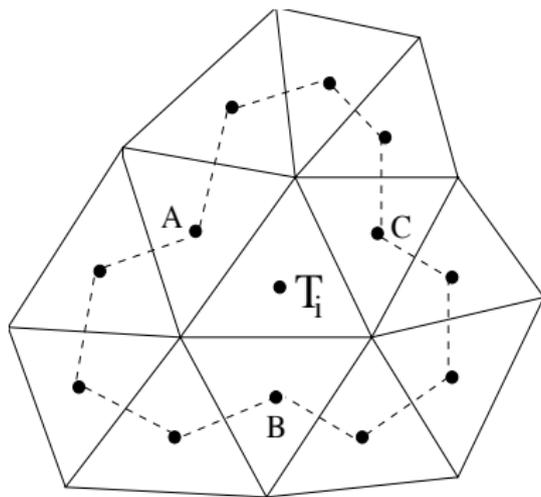


Figure: Neighboring cells for the Least Square approximation in MUSCL method

Unfortunately, this method does not guarantee the monotonicity preserving of the scheme, to overcome this difficulty, one uses limitations techniques. A general two-dimensional MinMod limiter is obtained by,

$$\frac{\partial^{\text{lim}} W_i}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\min_{j \in K(i)} \operatorname{sgn} \left(\frac{\partial W_j}{\partial x} \right) + \max_{j \in K(i)} \operatorname{sgn} \left(\frac{\partial W_j}{\partial x} \right) \right] \min_{j \in K(i)} \left| \frac{\partial W_j}{\partial x} \right|$$

$\frac{\partial^{\text{lim}} W_i}{\partial y}$ is evaluated in the same way. Then, interpolated left and right values are obtained by replacing in eqn(20) $\vec{\nabla} W_i$ and $\vec{\nabla} W_j$ respectively with $\vec{\nabla}^{\text{lim}} W_i$ and $\vec{\nabla}^{\text{lim}} W_j$. Afterward, Roe numerical flux is calculated using W_{ij}^- and W_{ij}^+ .



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