

EXERCISE SET 7

Numerical Methods for Hyperbolic Partial Differential Equations

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Problem 7.1 Monotonicity preserving (2pts)

A monotonicity preserving scheme is a method that

$$\begin{cases} u_j^n \leq u_{j-1}^n \Rightarrow u_j^{n+1} \leq u_{j-1}^{n+1} & \forall n, j \\ u_j^n \geq u_{j-1}^n \Rightarrow u_j^{n+1} \geq u_{j-1}^{n+1} & \forall n, j. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Prove that if the scheme is a constant coefficient schemes with footprint $2K + 1$, i.e.,

$$u_j^{n+1} = \sum_{l=-K}^K C_l u_{j+l}^n, \quad (2)$$

then it is monotonicity preserving if and only if $C_l \geq 0$ for all $l = -K, \dots, K$.

Problem 7.2 Condition on viscous form to TVD (2pts)

Prove that a FD scheme written in the viscous form

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - \frac{\lambda}{2} (f(u_{j+1}^n) - f(u_{j-1}^n)) + \frac{1}{2} (Q_{j+1/2} \Delta u_{j+1/2}^n - Q_{j-1/2} \Delta u_{j-1/2}^n), \quad (3)$$

where $\lambda = \Delta t / \Delta x$, $\Delta u_{j+1/2} = u_{j+1} - u_j$ and $\Delta f_{j+1/2} = f(u_j) - f(u_{j-1})$, is TVD under the condition

$$\lambda \left| \frac{\Delta f_{j+1/2}}{\Delta u_{j+1/2}} \right| \leq Q_{j+1/2} \leq 1. \quad (4)$$

Hint Use the result of Harten's Lemma (Theorem 3.13 of the notes).

Problem 7.3 Recipe for TVD schemes (2pts)

The condition (4) gives us a recipe for building TVD schemes. Consider footprint-3 schemes, i.e., $Q_{j+1/2} = Q(u_j, u_{j+1})$, and using the ansatz that

$$Q(u, v) = q(\lambda a(u, v)), \quad a(u, v) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(u) - f(v)}{u - v} & \text{if } u \neq v, \\ f'(u) & \text{if } u = v, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

deduce conditions on the function q , such that the FD scheme would be TVD.

Problem 7.4 TVD or not TVD (4pts)

1. Consider the Lax–Wendroff scheme

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - \frac{\lambda}{2} (f(u_{j+1}^n) - f(u_{j-1}^n)) + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} (a_{j+1/2} \Delta f_{j+1/2} - a_{j-1/2} \Delta f_{j-1/2}), \quad (6)$$

where $a_{j+1/2} = a(u_j, u_{j+1})$ using the definitions of previous exercises. Prove or disprove that the scheme is TVD.

Hint Use the criterion you found in Problem 7.3.

2. Consider the Godunov method in its conservative form

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n - \lambda (f^{num}(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) - f^{num}(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n)) \quad (7)$$

where

$$f^{num}(u, v) = \begin{cases} \min_{u \leq \theta \leq v} f(\theta) & \text{if } u \leq v, \\ \max_{v \leq \theta \leq u} f(\theta) & \text{if } v \leq u, \end{cases}$$

prove or disprove that the scheme is TVD.

Hint Use directly Harten's Lemma conditions.

3. Test the Lax–Wendroff method for the linear transport equation $\partial_t u + \partial_x u = 0$ on $[-1, 1]$ with periodic boundary conditions and initial conditions $u_0 = \cos(\pi x)$. Plot the total variation of the scheme as a function of time, till $T = 1$, for CFL= 0.7 and CFL= 1. What do you observe? Why?

Hint You can use the solutions of the Exercise Set 5.

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