Exercise set 8

Numerical Methods for Hyperbolic Partial Differential Equations
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Problem 8.1 Lax Wendroff scheme (3pts)

Consider the Lax Wendroff scheme

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

with

$$a_{j+1/2} = \begin{cases} \frac{f(u_j)-f(u_{j+1})}{u_j-u_{j+1}} & \text{if } u_j \neq u_{j+1}, \\ f'(u_j) & \text{if } u_j = u_{j+1}, \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

with the usual notation $\Delta p_{j+1/2} = p_{j+1} - p_j$ and $\lambda = \Delta t/\Delta x$. We have shown in previous exercises that it is a second order scheme which is not TVD, hence, it is not monotone and, for linear equations, it is not monotonicity preserving.

1. Prove that the scheme is von Neumann stable under suitable CFL conditions for a linear advection problem.
2. Write the numerical flux in the conservative form for (1).
3. Code its numerical flux in the code of the Exercise Set 6 (you can use the one provided as solution).

Problem 8.2 Entropy (7pts)

Consider the Burgers' equation

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0, \quad f(u) = \frac{u^2}{2}, \quad x \in [-2, 2],\, t \in [0, 1], \tag{3}$$

with periodic boundary conditions.

1. Write Kruzkov's entropy U for $\ell = 0$ for Burgers' equation and its entropy flux q.
2. Consider then the entropy
$$U(u) = \frac{u^2}{2}, \tag{4}$$
compute the entropy flux in this case.
3. Consider the Lax–Friedrichs scheme, defined by the numerical flux
$$f^{num}(u, v) = \frac{f(u) + f(v)}{2} - \frac{1}{2\lambda}(v - u). \tag{5}$$

Using Crandall–Majda's lemma (Theorem 3.20), write the related entropy numerical flux for Kurzkov's entropy for a general conservation law with flux f.

4. Write the numerical Kurzkov's entropy inequality for Lax–Friedrichs in terms of the entropy U and of the entropy flux q.

5. Check numerically that Kruzkov's entropy and (4) are diminishing for Lax–Friedrichs and that are not always diminishing for Lax–Wendroff (2 entropies, 2 fluxes, 2 initial conditions). Use as test examples for Burgers' equation on $[-2, 2]$ with periodic BC and final time 1 the following IC

$$u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{else;} \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

and

$$u_0(x) = 0.2\cos(\pi x). \tag{7}$$

Submit the code and an adequate number of plots (or a script that automatically generates all the plots). **Hint**: the entropy does not diminish locally, but globally... Find a good way of measuring the loss of total entropy.

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