

Reimann Solver in Geoclaw

Synthesis Paper

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1 Introduction

2 Wave Propagation Algorithm (WPA)

The order one dimensional (1D) wave propagation method is given by equation (1)

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n + \mathcal{A}^- Q_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n) \quad (1)$$

where Q_i^n is a numerical approximation to $\frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{C_i} q(x, t^n) dx$, $\Delta x = (x_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - x_{i-\frac{1}{2}})$, $\Delta t = (t^{n+1} - t^n)$, $\mathcal{A}^\pm \Delta Q_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}^n$ are fluctuations determined by the to the Riemann Problems at cell interfaces at $x_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$. The net updating contributions from the rightward and leftward moving waves into the grid cell C_i from the right and left interface are respectively given by $\mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n$ and $\mathcal{A}^- Q_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n$ [1].

The second order accuracy is obtained by taking the correction terms into account as shown described in equation (2)

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n + \mathcal{A}^- Q_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n) - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\tilde{F}_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n - \tilde{F}_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n) \quad (2)$$

where $\tilde{F}_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}^n$ are second order correction terms determined the waves in the Riemann problems at $x_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$.

3 Shallow Water Equations (SWE)

The 1D SWE are given in equations (3) and (4) below.

$$h_t + (hu)_x = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$(hu)_t + \left(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2} gh^2 \right)_x = -ghb_x \quad (4)$$

where $h(x, t)$ is the fluid depth, $u(x, t)$ is the vertically averaged horizontal fluid velocity, g is the gravitaitonal constant, $u(x, t)$ is the vertically averaged horizontal fluid velocity, and $b(x)$ is the bottom surface elevation [1].

4 Reimann Problem for Wet/Dry States

5 Numerical Examples

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