



Module 02: Numerical Methods

Unit 15: Finite Volume Method: Higher Resolution Methods

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Learning Objective

- To discretize conservation laws using Higher Resolution Methods.



Governing Equation

Conservative form (Guinot, 2010)

A form of one-dimensional scalar conservation law can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_\phi}{\partial x} = S_\phi \quad (1)$$

where

\mathcal{F}_ϕ = Flux function.

S_ϕ = Source term.



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σ_P^n approximates the derivative $\phi_{,x}$ over the P^{th} cell.



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$$\sigma_P^n = \minmod \left(\frac{\phi_P^n - \phi_W^n}{\Delta x}, \frac{\phi_E^n - \phi_P^n}{\Delta x} \right)$$

where

$$\minmod(\alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } |\alpha| < |\beta| \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha\beta > 0 \\ \beta & \text{if } |\beta| < |\alpha| \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha\beta > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha\beta \leq 0 \end{cases}$$



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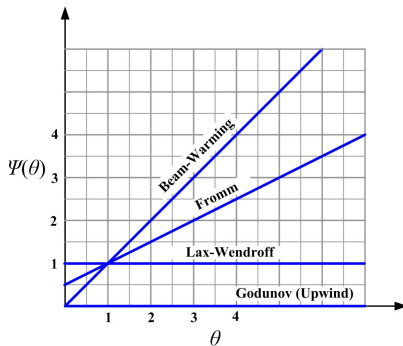
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- van Leer: $\Psi(\theta) = \frac{\theta + |\theta|}{1 + |\theta|}$



Thank You



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