Numerical PDE's final Project

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1 Problem 1

The equation $u_t + \left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)_x = \varepsilon u_{xx}$ was solved on the interval $x \in [-1, 1], \varepsilon = 0.01$ until T = 0.1.

With the boundary conditions u(-1) = 1 and u(1) = 0, and initial conditions u(x,0) = -.5x + .5 and $u(x,0) = 1 - x^2$.

[-1,1] was meshed into N equi-length intervals with N=40,80.

Both a standard FEM method and a streamline diffusion method were used to solve the system, using forward euler for the time integration, with 1 and 3 point quadrature schemes used for the nonlinear term.

The figures in appendix A display the solutions.

2 Problem 2

The equation $u_t + \left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)_x = 0$ was solved on the interval $x \in [-1, 1]$, until T = 0.05, 0.1 and 0.2.

A periodic boundary condition was imposed, with the initial condition $u(x,0) = 0.5(1 + \sin(\pi t))$.

[-1,1] was meshed into 160 equi-length intervals.

Finite volume methods were used to solve this. An ENO scheme (both 3^{rd} and 1^{st} order) were used for the interface value reconstructions. Both forward euler and a TVD RK3 solver were used for the time integration, and the numerical fluxes were reconstructed using Godunov and Global Lax-Friedrichs schemes.

The figures in appendix B display the solutions.

A Problem 1 Figures

B Problem 2 Figures

Note that above each figure is the time when it was extracted from. Beneath each group of 4 figures the following code is used

- RO: The ENO reconstruction accuracy used
- OT: The order of accuracy for the time integration method (1 is forward euler, 3 is TVD RK3)
- flx: Whether a Godunov or GLF flux was used

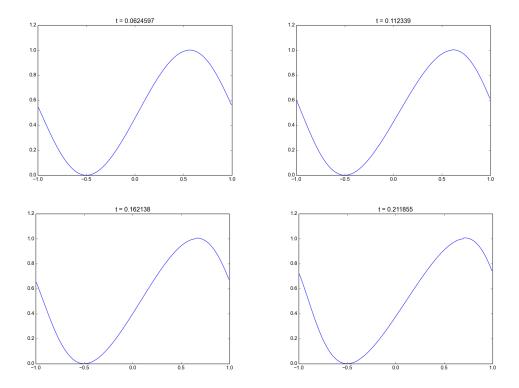


Figure 1: RO = 1, OT = 1, Godunov

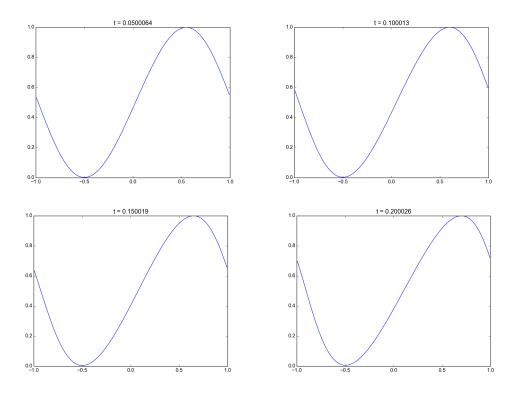


Figure 2: RO = 1, OT = 1, GLF

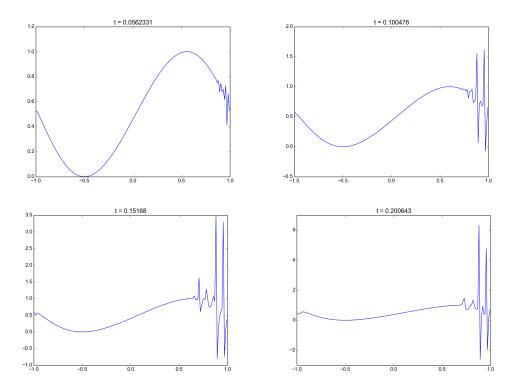


Figure 3: RO = 3, OT = 3, Godunov

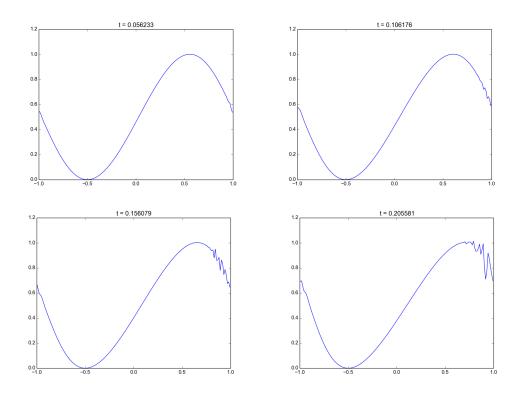


Figure 4: RO = 3, OT = 3, GLF

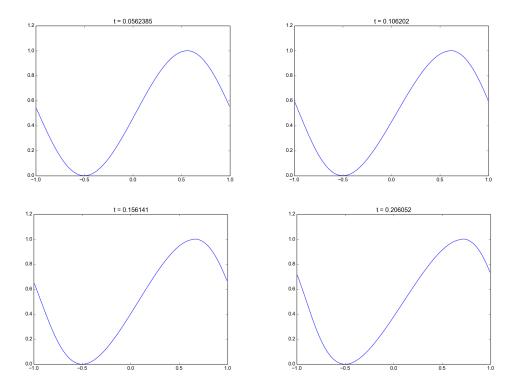


Figure 5: RO = 3, OT = 1, Godunov

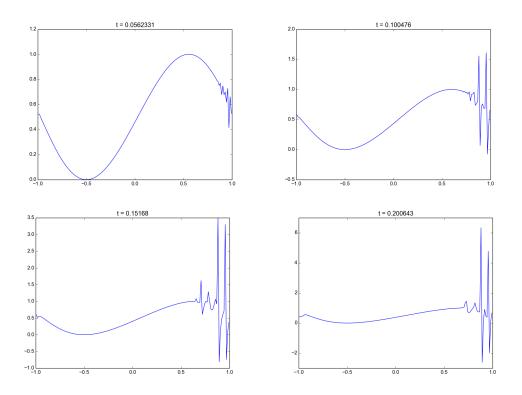


Figure 6: RO = 1, OT = 3, Godunov

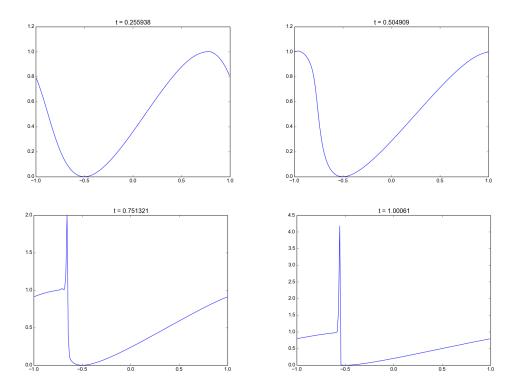


Figure 7: RO = 1, OT = 1, Godunov

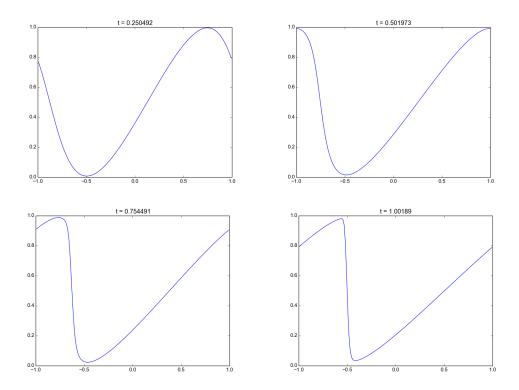


Figure 8: RO = 1, OT = 1, GLF