

Global Exercise - 14

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1 A small remark for consistent numerical flux function used in Upwind scheme - FVM

Example 1. *Determine consistent numerical flux function for Upwind scheme.*

Recall the conservation form used for FVM reads

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n - \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n \right). \quad (1)$$

Meanwhile, the Upwind scheme with point-to-the-left stencils reads

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(f(u_{j-1}^n) - f(u_j^n) \right). \quad (2)$$

Next, we would like to write (2) in terms of (1). Since the two formulations are already identical, the numerical flux function $\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n$ and $\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n$ are recognized directly as follow

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n) = f(u_{j-1}^n), \quad (3)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) = f(u_j^n). \quad (4)$$

Then, the consistency of numerical flux functions are checked as follows

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = f(\beta), \quad \checkmark \quad (5)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = f(\beta), \quad \checkmark \quad (6)$$

which is automatically satisfied $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ in case of constant flow. Likewise, in case of the Upwind scheme with point-to-the-right stencils, we obtain the same structure, as follows

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(f(u_j^n) - f(u_{j+1}^n) \right), \quad (7)$$

which is the Upwind scheme with point-to-the-right stencils. Next, since the formulation (7) is already identical with (1), the numerical flux function $\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n$ and $\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n$ are recognized directly as follow

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n) = f(u_j^n), \quad (8)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) = f(u_{j+1}^n). \quad (9)$$

Checking the consistency of (8) and (9) is similar with (3) and (4), as follows

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = f(\beta), \quad \checkmark \quad (10)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = f(\beta), \quad \checkmark \quad (11)$$

which is automatically satisfied $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ in case of constant flow.

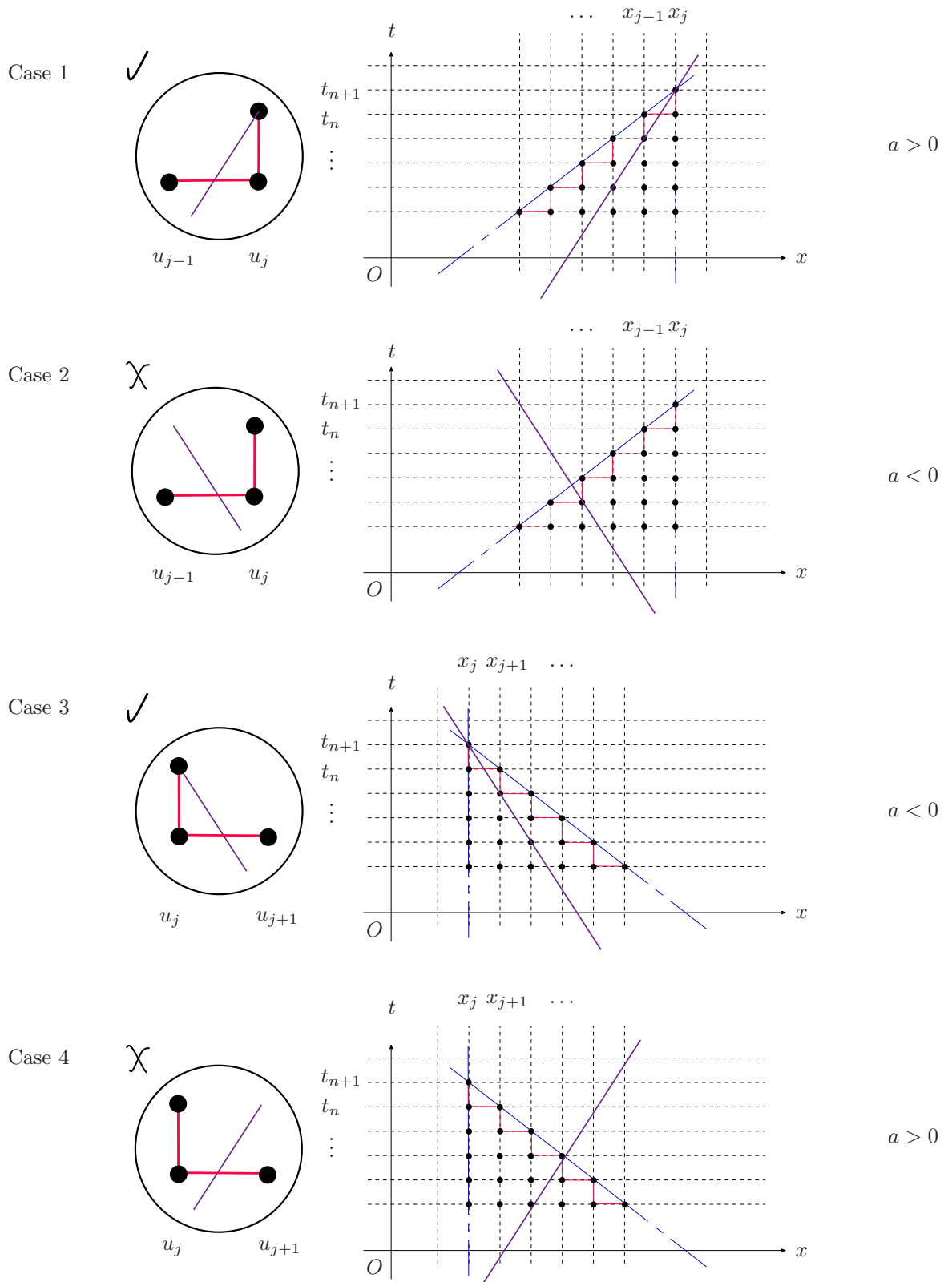


Figure 1: Correlation between coefficient a , point-to-the-left stencil, and point-to-the-right stencil of upwind scheme.

Example 2. *Comparison of numerical solutions between left-pointing and right-pointing stencils of Upwind scheme in case of $a > 0$.*

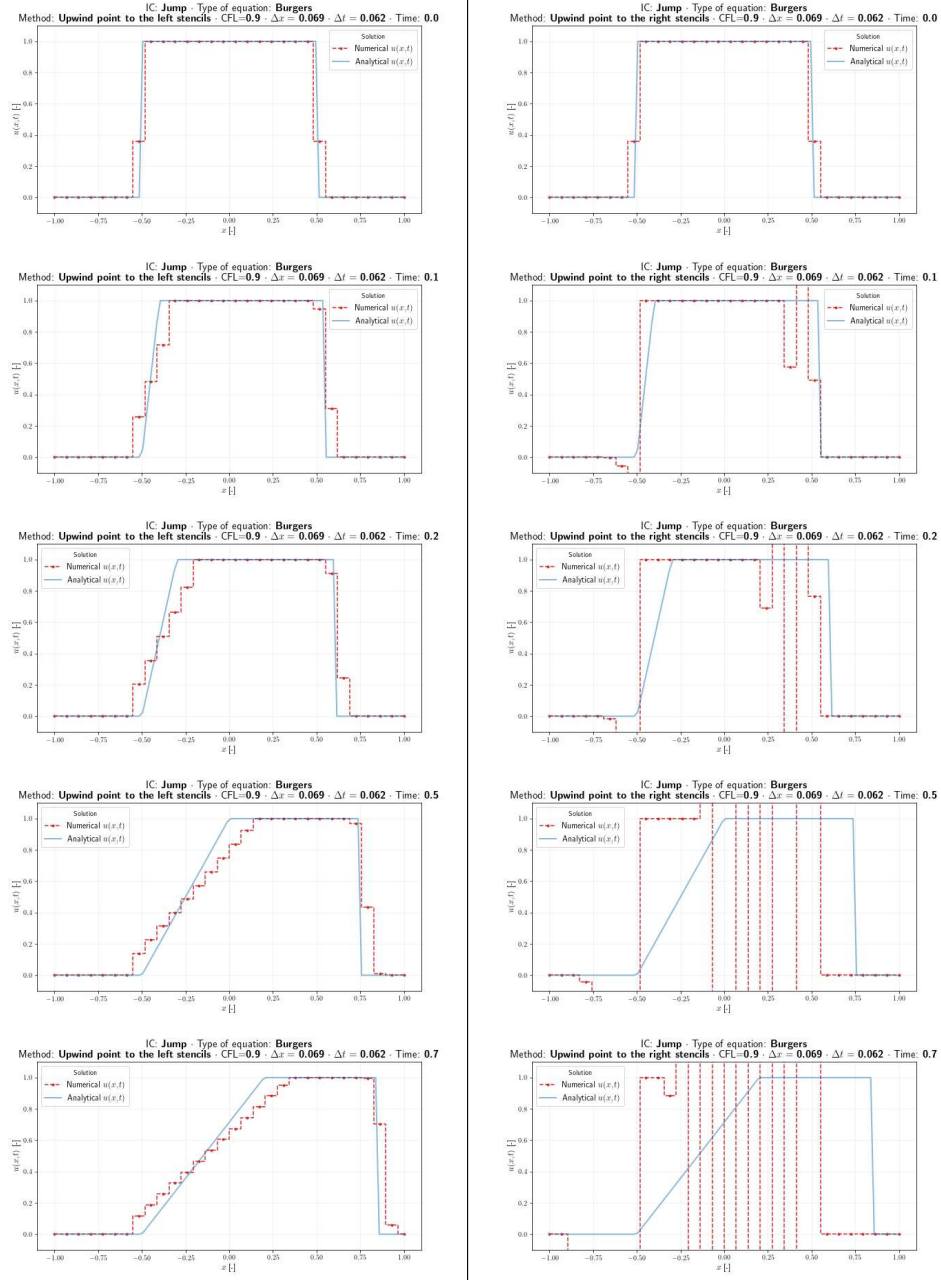


Figure 2: *Upwind* scheme: In case of $a > 0$ the scheme whose stencils are pointing to the left (Case 1 in Figure 1) is the suitable choice, compared to the case whose stencils are pointing to the right (Case 4 in Figure 1).

2 A small remark for consistent numerical flux function used in Lax-Friedrichs scheme - FVM

Example 3. Determine consistent numerical flux function for Lax-Friedrichs scheme.

Recall the conservation form used for FVM reads

$$u_j^{n+1} = u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n - \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n \right). \quad (12)$$

Meanwhile, the Lax-Friedrichs scheme reads

$$u_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} (u_{j-1}^n + u_{j+1}^n) - \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} (f(u_{j+1}^n) - f(u_{j-1}^n)). \quad (13)$$

Next, we would like to write (13) in terms of (12). The derivation is done by some algebraic manipulations, as follows

$$\begin{aligned} u_j^{n+1} &= \frac{1}{2} (u_{j-1}^n + u_{j+1}^n) - \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} (f(u_{j+1}^n) - f(u_{j-1}^n)) \\ &= u_j^n + \frac{1}{2}u_{j-1}^n - \frac{1}{2}u_j^n + \frac{1}{2}u_{j+1}^n - \frac{1}{2}u_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} f(u_{j+1}^n) + \frac{\Delta t}{2\Delta x} f(u_{j-1}^n) \\ &= u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_{j-1}^n - \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_j^n + \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_{j+1}^n - \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_j^n \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j+1}^n) + \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j-1}^n) \right) \\ &= u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\underbrace{\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_{j-1}^n - \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_j^n + \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j-1}^n) \right)}_{=: \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \underbrace{\left(\frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_j^n - \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} u_{j+1}^n + \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j+1}^n) \right)}_{=: \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n} \right) \\ &= u_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n - \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n \right), \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

which confirms that the *Lax-Friedrichs* scheme given at (13) is able to be written in the *conservation form* with the numerical flux function recognized as follows

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_{j-1}^n - u_j^n) + \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j-1}^n) \quad (15)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_j^n - u_{j+1}^n) + \frac{1}{2} f(u_{j+1}^n) \quad (16)$$

However, these numerical flux functions $\tilde{f}(\cdot, \cdot)$ are not consistent with the original flux function $f(\cdot)$, which can be checked for the case of constant flow, as follows

$$(15) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (\beta - \beta) + \frac{1}{2} f(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} f(\beta) \quad \nless (17)$$

$$(16) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (\beta - \beta) + \frac{1}{2} f(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} f(\beta) \quad \nless (18)$$

which have confirmed that $\tilde{f}_{j\pm 1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) \neq f(\beta)$, $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, a modified version is required for these numerical flux functions, such that they become consistent with $f(\cdot)$, and simultaneously, the summation of these two fluxes do not lead to any change in the *Lax-Friedrichs* scheme. The consistent numerical flux functions for *Lax-Friedrichs* scheme reads

$$\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_{j-1}^n - u_j^n) + \frac{1}{2} (f(u_{j-1}^n) + f(u_j^n)), \quad (19)$$

$$\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n = \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_j^n - u_{j+1}^n) + \frac{1}{2} (f(u_{j+1}^n) + f(u_j^n)), \quad (20)$$

which are obtained by adding the term $1/2f(u_j^n)$ to both $\tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n$ and $\tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n$. Note in passing that the subtraction sign between these two fluxes will cancel out this extra term, as shown in (12). Next, the consistent property is checked as follows

$$(19) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (\beta - \beta) + \frac{1}{2} (f(\beta) + f(\beta)) = f(\beta) \quad \checkmark \quad (21)$$

$$(20) \Leftrightarrow \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (\beta - \beta) + \frac{1}{2} (f(\beta) + f(\beta)) = f(\beta) \quad \checkmark \quad (22)$$

which have confirmed that $\tilde{f}_{j\pm 1/2}^n(\beta, \beta) = f(\beta)$, $\forall \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ for constant flow. Hence, the numerical flux functions $\tilde{f}_{j\pm 1/2}^n$ for the *Lax-Friedrichs* scheme take the following formulation

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}_{j-1/2}^n(u_{j-1}^n, u_j^n) &= \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_{j-1}^n - u_j^n) + \frac{1}{2} (f(u_{j-1}^n) + f(u_j^n)) \\ \tilde{f}_{j+1/2}^n(u_j^n, u_{j+1}^n) &= \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_j^n - u_{j+1}^n) + \frac{1}{2} (f(u_j^n) + f(u_{j+1}^n)) \end{aligned}} \quad (23)$$

or the generalized form used for FVM implementation reads

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{F(u_L, u_R) = \frac{1}{2} (f(u_L) + f(u_R)) + \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} (u_L - u_R)} \quad (24)$$

Example 4. *Crucialness of conservation form and consistent numerical flux fcn.*

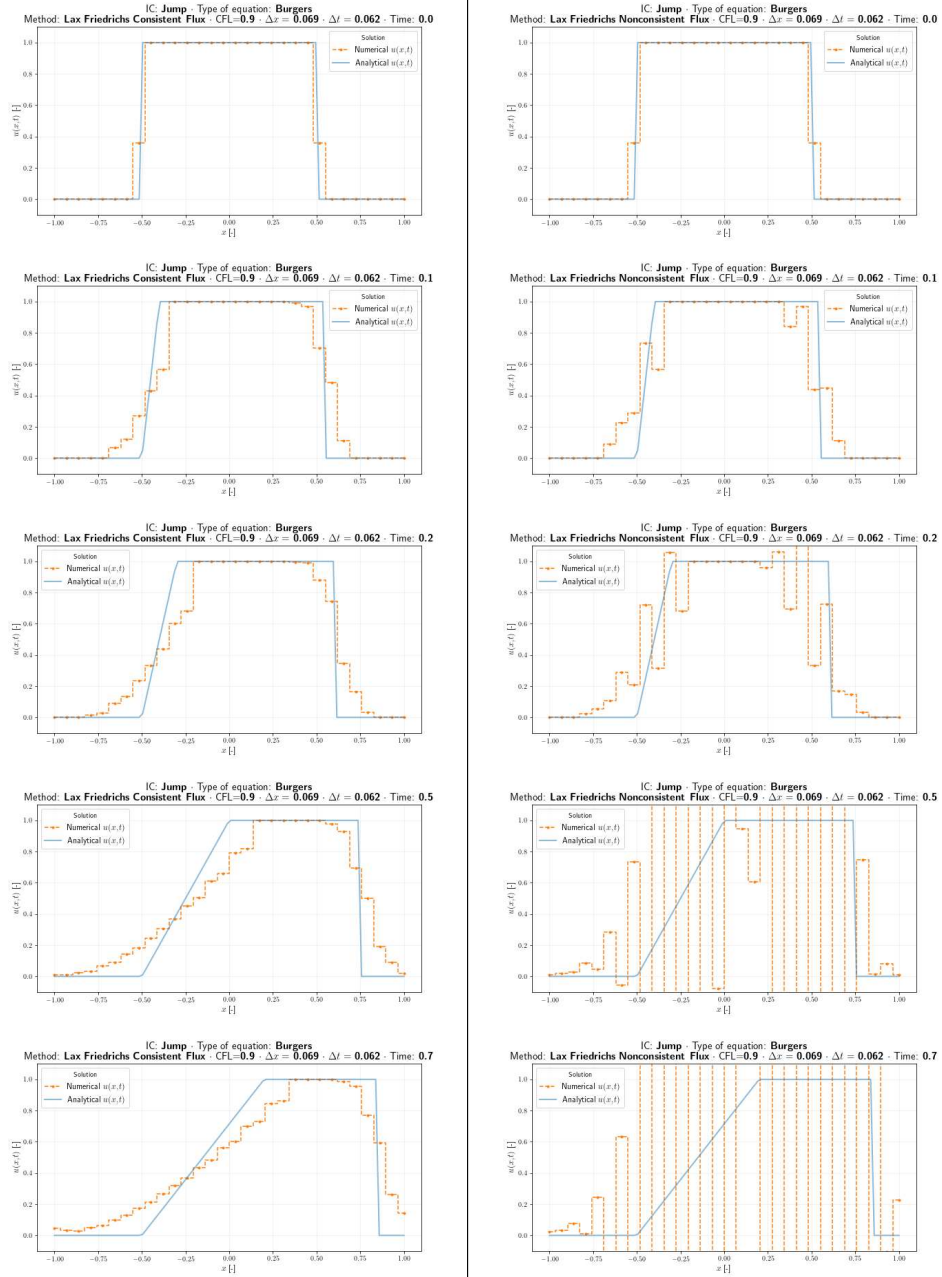


Figure 3: *Lax-Friedrichs* scheme: Consistent numerical flux function (left; based on the derived formulation in (19) and (20)) versus Non-consistent numerical flux function (right; based on the derived formulation in (15) and (16)).

3 Approximate Riemann solvers (cont.)

Example 5. *Roe's solver.*

Nonlinear *Riemann's* problem

$$U_t + F(U)_x = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad U(x, 0) = \begin{cases} U_L, & x < 0, \\ U_R, & x > 0, \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

which is written in quasi-linear form as follows

$$U_t + A(U)U_x = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad U(x, 0) = \begin{cases} U_L, & x < 0, \\ U_R, & x > 0, \end{cases} \quad (26)$$

where $A(U)$ is the non-constant Jacobian matrix.

Recall the conservation form used for FVM reads

$$U_j^{n+1} = U_j^n + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\tilde{F}_{j-1/2}^n - \tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^n \right). \quad (27)$$

Godunov's solver takes the intercell numerical flux function

$$\tilde{F}_{j-1/2}^n = \tilde{F}_{j-1/2}^n(U_L, U_R) = F_{j-1/2}^n(U^*(U_L, U_R)), \quad (28)$$

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^n = \tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^n(U_L, U_R) = F_{j+1/2}^n(U^*(U_L, U_R)), \quad (29)$$

where $U^*(U_L, U_R)$ is the exact *Riemann's* solution at the interface between cells.

Instead of solving exactly the nonlinear *Riemann's* problem above for every single space-time increment in FVM, which turns out to be costly and not efficient in general, *Roe* proposed solving the following system

$$U_t + \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)U_x = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad U(x, 0) = \begin{cases} U_L, & x < 0, \\ U_R, & x > 0, \end{cases} \quad (30)$$

where $\hat{A}(U_L, U_R)$ is essentially a constant Jacobian matrix. The linearized system (30) easily to be solved exactly is known as *Approximate Riemann Solver*. Besides, the correlation between (30) and (25) is guaranteed by three conditions applied on matrix $\hat{A}(U_L, U_R)$ proposed by *Roe* as follows

1. Hyperbolicity: real eigenvalues $\hat{\lambda}_p = \hat{\lambda}_p(U_L, U_R)$ required.
2. Consistency with the exact Jacobian matrix $\hat{A}(U, U) = A(U)$
3. Conservation across discontinuities $F(U_R) - F(U_L) = \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)(U_L - U_R)$

Matrix $\hat{A}(U_L, U_R) \rightarrow$ Eigenvalues $\hat{\lambda}_p(U_L, U_R) \rightarrow$ Eigenvectors $\hat{r}_p(U_L, U_R)$
 Consider

$$U_R - U_L = \sum_{p=1}^m \hat{\alpha}_p(U_L, U_R) \hat{\lambda}_p(U_L, U_R) \quad (31)$$

Next, interfacial values $U_{j+1/2}(x/t)$ along t -axis, i.e. $x/t = 0$, take the following equality

$$U_{j+1/2}(0) = U_L + \sum_{\hat{\lambda}_p \leq 0} \hat{\alpha}_p(U_L, U_R) \hat{\lambda}_p(U_L, U_R) \quad (32)$$

$$U_{j+1/2}(0) = U_R - \sum_{\hat{\lambda}_p \leq 0} \hat{\alpha}_p(U_L, U_R) \hat{\lambda}_p(U_L, U_R) \quad (33)$$

Besides, according to Definition II.21 from lecture note, the corresponding numerical flux function reads

Example 6. *Local Lax-Friedrichs (LLF) flux function.*

Recall that the *Roe's* solver takes the following forms of numerical flux functions

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) &= F(U_L) + \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)^- (U_R - U_L), \\ \tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) &= F(U_R) - \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)^+ (U_R - U_L).\end{aligned}$$

By summing and taking the average we obtain another form of numerical flux function in *Roe's* solver as follows

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^{(R)}(U_L, U_R) = \frac{1}{2} (F(u_L) + F(u_R)) - \frac{1}{2} |\hat{A}| (U_R - U_L)} \quad (34)$$

Note in passing that we have used the following equality in the expression (34)

$$\hat{A}^-(U_L, U_R) - \hat{A}^+(U_L, U_R) = -|\hat{A}|(U_L, U_R). \quad (35)$$

Besides, the local Lax-Friedrichs flux function take the following form

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^{(LLF)}(U_L, U_R) = \frac{1}{2} (F(u_L) + F(u_R)) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda^{\max} (U_R - U_L)} \quad (36)$$

Note in passing that we have used an approximation for $|\hat{A}|$ in (34) and applied it for λ^{\max} in (36), as follows

Example 7. *Examine Local Lax-Friedrichs (LLF) versus Roe's solver.*

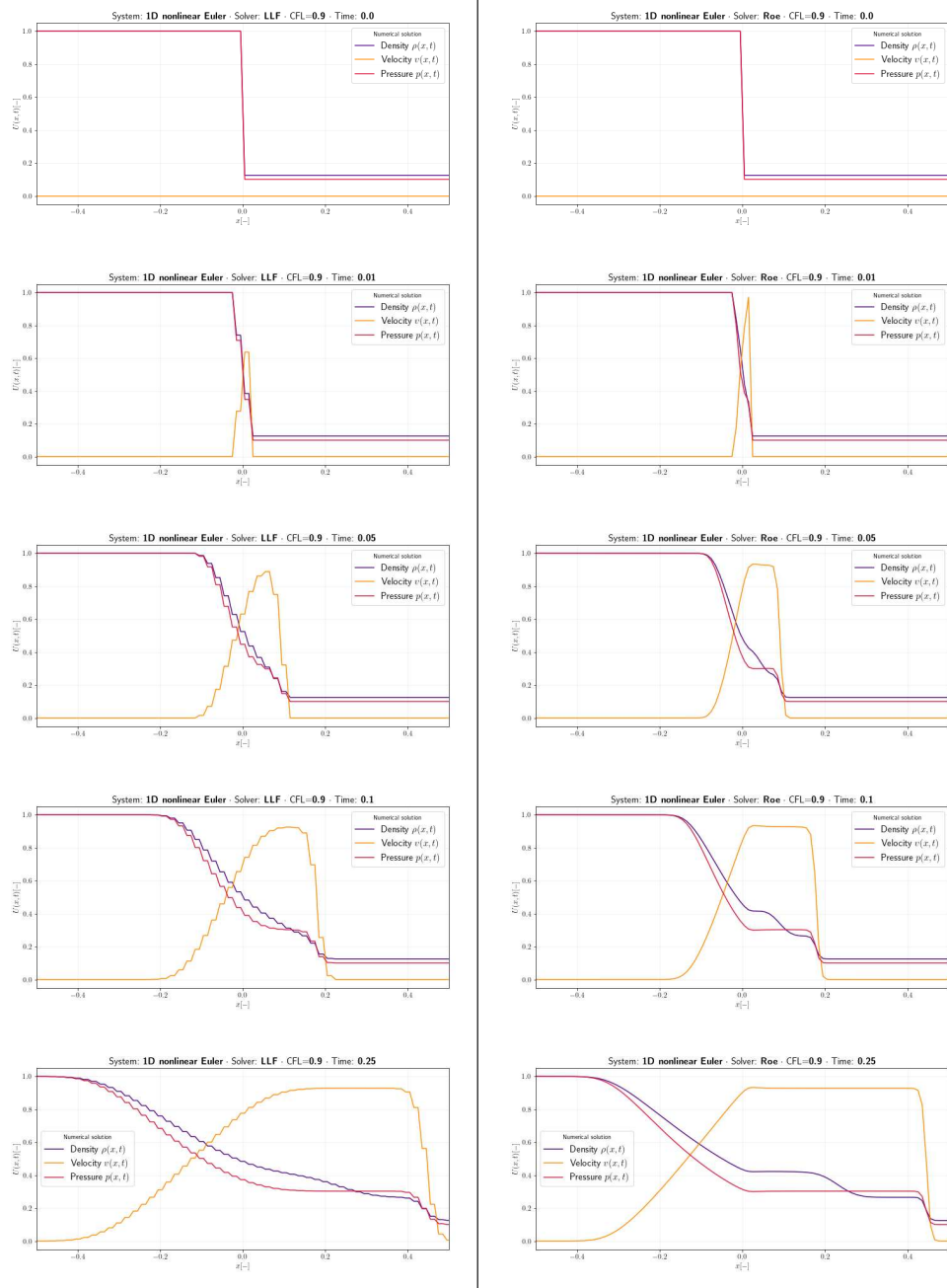


Figure 4: Comparison between LLF solver and *Roe's* solver: Same initial conditions and parameters applied, seeking for numerical solution to 1D *Euler* equation.

Example 8. *Derivation of Harten-Lax-van Leer (HLL).*

1. Recall that the two left- and right-sided formulae for the numerical flux functions based on *Roe's* solver are written as follows

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) = F(U_L) + \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)^-(U_R - U_L) \quad (37)$$

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) = F(U_R) - \hat{A}(U_L, U_R)^+(U_R - U_L) \quad (38)$$

By first taking summation and then averaging the above two expressions we arrive at

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) = \frac{1}{2}(F(U_L) + F(U_R)) - \frac{1}{2}|\hat{A}|(U_R - U_L). \quad (39)$$

Note in passing that $\hat{A}^-(U_L, U_R) - \hat{A}^+(U_L, U_R) = -|\hat{A}|(U_L, U_R)$.

2. The integral formulation applied to the domain $[x_L, x_R] \times [t_n, t_{n+1}]$ and together with the condition $x_L < 0 < x_R$ reads

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_L}^{x_R} U(x, t_{n+1}) dx &= \int_{x_L}^{x_R} U(x, t_n) dx \\ &+ \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} F(U(x_L, t)) dt - \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} F(U(x_R, t)) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Since the solution is piece-wise constant, these integrals are computed as

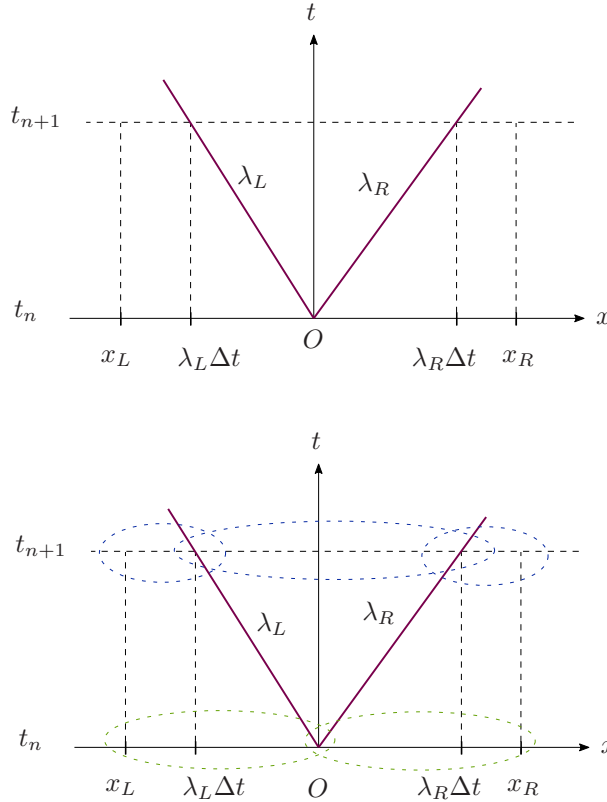


Figure 5: Integration path.

follows

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} F(U(x_L, t)) dt &= \dots, \\
\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} F(U(x_R, t)) dt &= \dots, \\
\int_{x_L}^{x_R} U(x, t_n) dx &= \dots + \dots, \\
\int_{x_L}^{x_R} U(x, t_{n+1}) dx &= \dots + \dots + \dots.
\end{aligned}$$

Next, by substituting these four integrals back into (40) we obtain the following relation

$$U^* = \frac{|\lambda_L| U_L + \lambda_R U_R + F(U_L) - F(U_R)}{|\lambda_L| + \lambda_R}. \quad (41)$$

3. The decomposition with the two waves are given by

$$U_R - U_L = \sum_{p=1}^N \alpha_p \hat{r}_p = (U_R - U^*) + (U^* - U_L), \quad (42)$$

and hence we arrive at the following expression

$$\sum_{p=1}^N \alpha_p |\hat{\lambda}_p| \hat{r}_p = \lambda_R (U_R - U^*) + |\lambda_L| (U^* - U_L), \quad (43)$$

which leads to the following expression

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) = \frac{1}{2} (F(U_L) + F(U_R)) - \frac{\lambda_R}{2} (U_R - U^*) - \frac{|\lambda_L|}{2} (U^* - U_L). \quad (44)$$

Then, by using (43), inserting (41) into (44), and applying some more algebraic manipulations we arrive at the HLL numerical flux function, where $\lambda_L < 0 < \lambda_R$, as follows

$$\tilde{F}_{j+1/2}(U_L, U_R) = \frac{|\lambda_L| F(U_R) + \lambda_R F(U_L)}{|\lambda_L| + \lambda_R} + \frac{\lambda_R |\lambda_L|}{|\lambda_L| + \lambda_R} (U_L - U_R). \quad (45)$$

4. When all waves travel to the right, we obtain

$$\lambda_{L,R} > 0 \rightarrow U^* = U_L \rightarrow F(U^*) = F(U_L). \quad (46)$$

When all waves travel to the left, we obtain

$$\lambda_{L,R} < 0 \rightarrow U^* = U_R \rightarrow F(U^*) = F(U_R). \quad (47)$$

Finally, we obtain a complete HLL numerical flux function as follows

$$\therefore \tilde{F}_{j+1/2}^{(\text{HLL})}(U_L, U_R) = \begin{cases} F(U_R), & (\lambda_{L,R} < 0), \\ \frac{|\lambda_L| F(U_R) + \lambda_R F(U_L)}{|\lambda_L| + \lambda_R} + \frac{\lambda_R |\lambda_L|}{|\lambda_L| + \lambda_R} (U_L - U_R), & (\lambda_L < 0 < \lambda_R), \\ F(U_L), & (\lambda_{L,R} > 0). \end{cases} \quad (48)$$

Example 9. *Examine Roe's solver versus Harten-Lax-van Leer (HLL).*

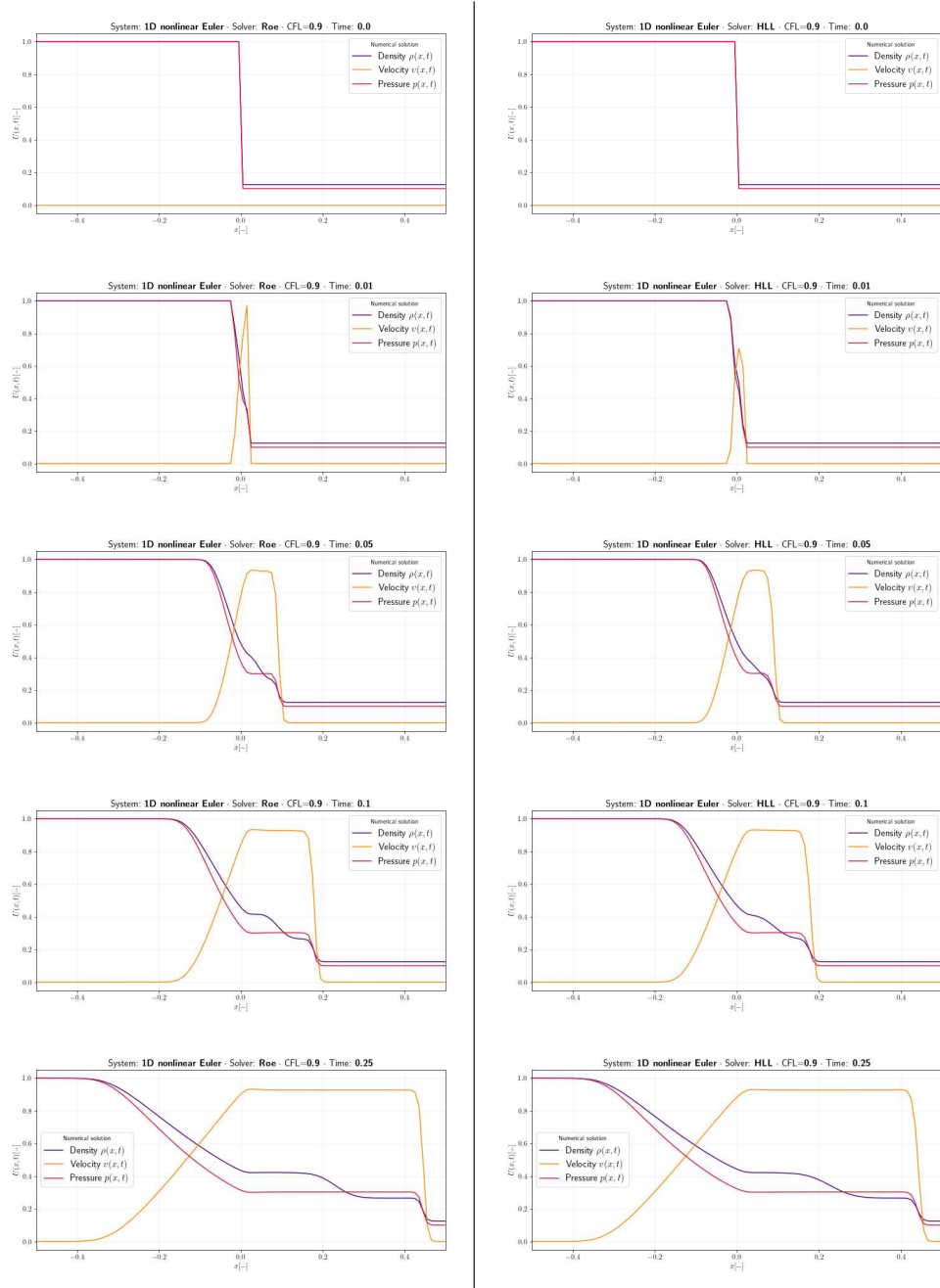


Figure 6: Comparison between *Roe's* solver and HLL solver: Same initial conditions and parameters applied, seeking for numerical solution to 1D *Euler* equation.