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Numerical Schemes for Hyperbolic Balance Laws – Applications to Fluid Flow Problems

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1. Introduction

Balance laws arise from many areas of engineering practice specifically from the fluid mechanics. Many numerical methods for the solution of these balanced laws were developed in recent decades. The numerical methods are based on two views: solving hyperbolic PDE with a nonzero source term (the obvious description of the central and central-upwind schemes; (Kurganov & Levy, 2002; LeVeque, 2004)) or solving the augmented quasilinear nonconservative formulation (Gosse, 2001; Le Floch & Tzavaras, 1999; Parès, 2006). Furthermore, the methods can be interpreted using flux-difference splitting (or flux-vector splitting), or by selecting adaptive intervals and the transformation to the semidiscrete form (for example (Kurganov & Petrova, 2000)). We prefer the augmented quasilinear nonconservative formulation solved by the flux-difference splitting in our text. We try to formulate the methods in the most general form. The range of this text does not give the complete overview of currently used methods.

2. Mathematical models

In this section we describe the specific mathematical models based on hyperbolic balanced laws. There are many models that describe fluid flow phenomena but we are interested in the two type of them: models described open channel flow and urethra flow.

2.1 Shallow water equations

We are interested in solving the problem related to the fluid flow through the channel with the general cross-section area described by

$$\begin{aligned} a_t + q_x &= 0, \\ q_t + \left(\frac{q^2}{a} + gI_1 \right)_x &= -gab_x + gI_2, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $a = a(x, t)$ is the unknown cross-section area, $q = q(x, t)$ is the unknown discharge, $b = b(x)$ is given function of elevation of the bottom, g is the gravitational constant and

$$I_1 = \int_0^{h(x,t)} [h(x, t) - \eta] \sigma(x, \eta) d\eta, \quad (2)$$

$$I_2 = \int_0^{h(x,t)} (h(x,t) - \eta) \left[\frac{\partial \sigma(x, \eta)}{\partial x} \right] d\eta, \quad (3)$$

here η is the depth integration variable, $h(x, t)$ is the water depth and $\sigma(x, \eta)$ is the width of the cross-section at the depth η . The derivation can be found in e.g. (Cunge et al., 1980).

The first special case are the equations reflecting the fluid flow through the spatially varying rectangular channel

$$\begin{aligned} a_t + q_x &= 0, \\ q_t + \left(\frac{q^2}{a} + \frac{ga^2}{2l} \right)_x &= \frac{ga^2}{2l^2} l_x - gab_x, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

with $l = l(x)$ being the function describing the width of the channel, and second one the system for the constant rectangular channel

$$\begin{aligned} h_t + (hu)_x &= 0, \\ (hu)_t + \left(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right)_x &= -ghb_x. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

In the above equation, $h(x, t)$ is the water depth and $u(x, t)$ is the horizontal velocity. It also possible to add some friction term to the system described above. For example, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} h_t + (hv)_x &= 0, \\ (hv)_t + \left(hv^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right)_x &= -ghB_x - gM^2 \frac{hv|hv|}{h^{7/3}}, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where M is Manning's coefficient.

All of the presented systems can be written in the compact matrix form

$$\mathbf{q}_t + [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}, x)]_x = \boldsymbol{\psi}(\mathbf{q}, x), \quad (7)$$

with $\mathbf{q}(x, t)$ being the vector of conserved quantities, $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}, x)$ the flux function and $\boldsymbol{\psi}(\mathbf{q}, x)$ the source term. This relation represents the balance laws.

It is possible to use any augmented formulation, which is suitable for rewriting the system to the quasilinear homogeneous one. For example, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_t + (hu)_x &= 0, \\ (hu)_t + \left(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right)_x &= -ghb_x, \\ b_t &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

i.e.

$$\begin{bmatrix} h \\ hv \\ b \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -v^2 + gh & 2v & -gh \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h \\ hv \\ b \end{bmatrix}_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (9)$$

2.2 Urethra flow

We now briefly introduce a problem describing fluid flow through the elastic tube represented by hyperbolic partial differential equations with the source term. In the case of the male urethra, the system based on model in (Stergiopoulos et al., 1993) has the following form

$$\begin{aligned} a_t + q_x &= 0, \\ q_t + \left(\frac{q^2}{a} + \frac{a^2}{2\rho\beta} \right)_x &= \frac{a}{\rho} \left(\frac{a_0}{\beta} \right)_x + \frac{a^2}{2\rho\beta^2} \beta_x - \frac{q^2}{4a^2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \lambda(Re), \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where $a = a(x, t)$ is the unknown cross-section area, $q = q(x, t)$ is the unknown flow rate (we also denote $v = v(x, t)$ as the fluid velocity, $v = \frac{q}{a}$), ρ is the fluid density, $a_0 = a_0(x)$ is the cross-section of the tube under no pressure, $\beta = \beta(x, t)$ is the coefficient describing tube compliance and $\lambda(Re)$ is the Mooney-Darcy friction factor ($\lambda(Re) = 64/Re$ for laminar flow). Re is the Reynolds number defined by

$$Re = \frac{\rho q}{\mu a} \sqrt{\frac{4a}{\pi}}, \quad (11)$$

where μ is fluid viscosity. This model contains constitutive relation between the pressure and the cross section of the tube

$$p = \frac{a - a_0}{\beta} + p_e, \quad (12)$$

where p_e is surrounding pressure.

3. Conservative and nonconservative problems and numerical schemes

3.1 Conservative problems and numerical schemes

We consider the conservation law in the conservative form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_t + [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x &= \mathbf{0}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \in (0, T), \\ \mathbf{q}(x, 0) &= \mathbf{q}_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

The numerical scheme based on finite volume discretization in the conservation form can be written as follows,

$$\mathbf{Q}_j^{n+1} = \mathbf{Q}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2}^n - \mathbf{F}_{j-1/2}^n). \quad (14)$$

We use also the semidiscrete version of (14)

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{Q}_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\Delta x} (\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2} - \mathbf{F}_{j-1/2}). \quad (15)$$

The relation (14) can be derived as the approximation of the integral conservation law at the interval $\langle x_{j-1/2}, x_{j+1/2} \rangle$ from time level t_n to t_{n+1}

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \mathbf{q}(x, t_{n+1}) dx &= \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \mathbf{q}(x, t_n) dx - \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left[\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}(x_{j+1/2}, t)) dt - \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}(x_{j-1/2}, t)) dt \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

The previous relations lead to the following approximations of integral averages

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_j^n &\approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \mathbf{q}(x, t_n) dx, \\ \mathbf{F}_{j+1/2}^n &\approx \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}(x_{j+1/2}, t)) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Numerical fluxes $\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2}^n$ are usually defined by the approximate solution of the Riemann problem between states $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^n$ and $\mathbf{Q}_j^n$ (this technique is called the flux difference splitting; it will be described in the following parts) or by the Boltzmann approach (flux vector splitting; it will be described later). In what follows, we use the notation $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-$ for the reconstructed values of unknown function. Reconstructed values represent the approximations of limit values at the points $x_{j+1/2}$. The most common reconstructions are based on the minmod function (see for example (Kurganov & Tadmor, 2000)) or ENO and WENO techniques (Črnjarič-Ziž at al., 2004).

If the exact solution of the problem has a compact support in the interval $\langle 0, T \rangle$ then it is possible to show, that the scheme (15) is conservative, i.e.

$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{Q}_j^{n+1} = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{Q}_j^n. \quad (18)$$

The uniqueness of discontinuous solutions to the conservation laws is not guaranteed. Therefore the additional conditions, based on physical considerations, are required to isolate the physically relevant solution. The most common condition is called entropy condition. The unique entropy satisfying weak solution q holds

$$[\eta(q)]_t + [\varphi(q)]_x \leq 0, \quad (19)$$

for the convex entropy functions $\eta(q)$ and corresponding entropy fluxes $\varphi(q)$ (for example see (LeVeque, 2004)).

If the conservation law (13) is solved by the consistent method in conservation form (15) the Lax-Wendroff theorem is valid (LeVeque, 2004): if the approximate function $Q(x, t)$ converged to the function $q(x, t)$ for the $\Delta x, \Delta t \rightarrow 0$, the function $q(x, t)$ is the weak solution of the problem (13).

Many theoretical results in the field of hyperbolic PDEs can be found in the literature. For example, for scalar problems with the convex flux function, the convergence of the some method to the entropy-satisfying weak solutions, is proven. It means that if the solution q^ϵ of the problem

$$\begin{aligned} q_t + [f(q)]_x &= \epsilon q_{xx}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < t < T, \epsilon > 0, \\ q(x, 0) &= q_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

exists and the limit $q^* = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0_+} q^\epsilon$ exists too than q^* is the entropy-satisfying weak solutions of the problem (20).

It is possible to define the appropriate properties of the methods. For example, in the case of scalar problem, TVD (Total Variation Diminishing) property, which ensures that the total

variation of the solution is non-increasing, i.e.

$$\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^{n+1} - \mathbf{Q}_j^{n+1}| \leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^n - \mathbf{Q}_j^n| \quad (21)$$

for all time layers t_n . This property is important for limitation of the oscillations in the solution.

3.2 Nonconservative problems

We consider the nonlinear hyperbolic problem in nonconservative form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x &= \mathbf{0}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \in (0, T), \\ \mathbf{q}(x, 0) &= \mathbf{q}_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

The numerical schemes for solving problems (22) can be written in fluctuation form

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{Q}_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\Delta x} [\mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) + \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+)], \quad (23)$$

where $\mathbf{A}^\pm(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+)$ are so called fluctuations. They can be defined by the sum of waves moving to the right or to the left. The directions are dependent on the signs of the speeds of these waves, which are related to the eigenvalues of matrix $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$.

When the problem (22) is derived from the conservation form (13), i.e. $\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ is the Jacobi matrix of the system, fluctuations can be defined as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+), \\ \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{F}_{j+1/2}^- - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-), \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) - \mathbf{F}_{j-1/2}^+. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

4. Riemann problem

4.1 Riemann problem for conservative systems

The Riemann problem is the special problem based on finite volume discretization with the discontinuous initial condition. In the nonlinear case it has the form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_t + [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x &= \mathbf{0}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \in (0, T), \\ \mathbf{q}(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} \mathbf{Q}_j^n, & x < x_{j+1/2}, \\ \mathbf{Q}_{j+1}^n, & x > x_{j+1/2}. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

We solve the transitions between two states, but this solution could not exist in general. These transitions can be rarefaction waves, shock waves or contact discontinuities. Rarefaction wave is case of a continuous solution when the following equality holds

$$\mathbf{q}(x, t) = \tilde{\mathbf{q}}(\xi(x, t)), \quad (26)$$

where

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}}'(\xi) = \alpha(\xi) \mathbf{r}^p(\xi) \quad (27)$$

for any function $\zeta(x, t)$, where $\alpha(\zeta)$ is a coefficient dependent on the function ζ and $\mathbf{R}^p(\zeta)$ is the corresponding p -th eigenvector of the Jacobi matrix $\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{u})$.

Shock waves and contact discontinuities are special cases of discontinuous solutions. The requirement that this solution should be (see (LeVeque, 2004)) a weak solution of the problem (25) leads to the following relation

$$s(\mathbf{q}^+ - \mathbf{q}^-) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}^-), \quad (28)$$

where s is the speed of the propagation of the discontinuities. The relation (28) is known as the Rankine-Hugoniot jump condition. In some cases it is possible to construct the solution of Riemann problem as the sequence of the transitions between the discontinuous states (in the case of strong nonlinearity the discontinuous solution consists of the shock waves, in the case of linear degeneration solution consists of the contact discontinuities).

In the case of a linear problem $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{q}$ it is known that the initial state of each characteristic variable w^p is moving at a speed that corresponds to the eigenvalue λ^p of the matrix $\mathbf{A}$. The solution is a system of constant states separated by discontinuities that move at speeds correspondent to eigenvalues. Therefore, the jump $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1} - \mathbf{Q}_j$ over p -th discontinuity can be expressed as,

$$(w_{j+1}^p - w_j^p)\mathbf{r}^p = \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p, \quad (29)$$

where $\mathbf{r}^p$ is the p -th eigenvector of matrix $\mathbf{A}$. The relation (29) represents the initial jump in the characteristic variable w^p and at the same time $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}$. Therefore, the solution of linear Riemann problem can be defined by the decomposition of the initial jump of the unknown function to the eigenvectors $\mathbf{r}^p$ of the Jacobi matrix $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{j+1} - \mathbf{Q}_j = \sum_{p=1}^m \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p. \quad (30)$$

The discontinuities $\mathbf{W}^p = \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p$ are called waves and they are propagated by the speeds λ^p . For details see (LeVeque, 2004).

4.2 Riemann problem for nonconservative systems

In this section we are interested in nonlinear systems in nonconservative form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x &= \mathbf{0}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0, \\ \mathbf{q}_0 &\in [\mathbb{BV}(\mathbb{R})]^m, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ is smooth locally bounded matrix-valued map, matrix $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ is strictly hyperbolic (diagonalizable, with real and different eigenvalues). We suppose that $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ is not Jacobi matrix so it is not possible to rewrite nonconservative system in conservative form (13). Here, $\mathbb{BV}[(\mathbb{R})]^m$ is function space contains functions with bounded total variation.

Above mentioned system makes sense only if $\mathbf{q}$ is differentiable. In the case when $\mathbf{q}$ admits discontinuities at a point, $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ may admits discontinuities as well and $\mathbf{q}_x$ contains delta function with singularity at this point. Then $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x$ is product of Heaviside function with delta function and in general is not unique. There is possibility to smooth out'' of this function over width ϵ , for example by adding viscosity or diffusion. Then we get well defined product

of continuous functions. The limiting behavior for $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ is strongly depend on “smoothing out.”

Under a special assumption, the nonconservative product $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x$ can be understood as a Borel measure. In the following we introduce basic theorems and definitions, for details see (Gosse, 2001; Le Floch, 1989; Le Floch & Tzavaras, 1999; Parès, 2006).

Definition 4.1. A path ϕ in $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is a family of smooth maps $\langle 0, 1 \rangle \times \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ satisfying:

- $\phi(0; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r) = \mathbf{q}_l$ and $\phi(1; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r) = \mathbf{q}_r$, $\forall \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r \in \Omega, \forall s \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$,
- for each bounded set $\mathcal{O} \in \Omega$, there exists a constant $k > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r) \right| \leq k |\mathbf{q}_r - \mathbf{q}_l|$$

for any $\mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r \in \mathcal{O}$ and almost all $s \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$,

- for each bounded set $\mathcal{O} \in \Omega$, there exists a constant $K > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_l^1, \mathbf{q}_r^1) - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_l^2, \mathbf{q}_r^2) \right| \leq K \left(|\mathbf{q}_l^1 - \mathbf{q}_l^2| + |\mathbf{q}_r^1 - \mathbf{q}_r^2| \right)$$

for any $\mathbf{q}_l^1, \mathbf{q}_r^1, \mathbf{q}_l^2, \mathbf{q}_r^2 \in \mathcal{O}$ and almost all $s \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$.

Theorem 4.1 (Dal Maso, Le Floch, Murat). Let $\mathbf{q} : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a function with bounded variation and $\mathbf{A} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ a locally bounded function. There exists a unique signed Borel measure μ on (a, b) characterized by following properties:

1. if $x \rightarrow \mathbf{q}(x)$ is continuous on an open set $o \in (a, b)$ then

$$\mu(o) = \int_o \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{q}}{\partial x} dx,$$

2. if $x_0 \in (a, b)$ is a discontinuity point of $x \rightarrow \mathbf{q}(x)$, then

$$\mu(x_0) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{A}(\phi(s; \mathbf{q}(x_0^-), \mathbf{q}(x_0^+))) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}(x_0^-), \mathbf{q}(x_0^+)) ds,$$

where we denote $\mathbf{q}(x_0^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} \mathbf{q}(x)$ and $\mathbf{q}(x_0^+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^+} \mathbf{q}(x)$.

Remark 4.1. Borel measure μ is called nonconservative product and is usually written $[\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x]_\phi$.

Remark 4.2. In the case where $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})$ then Borel measure, $[\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x]_\phi = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})_x$ is independent of the path ϕ .

Definition 4.2 (Weak solution). Let ϕ be a family of paths in the sense of definition 4.1. A function $\mathbf{q} \in [L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^+) \cap \text{BV}_{loc}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^+)]^m$ is a weak solution of system (31), if it satisfies

$$\mathbf{q}_t + [\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x]_\phi = 0, \quad (32)$$

as a bounded Borel measure on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^+$.

Definition 4.3 (Entropy solution). *Given an entropy pair (η, φ) (entropy, entropy flux) for (31), i.e. a pair of regular functions $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that*

$$\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{q}) = \nabla \eta(\mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}), \quad \forall \mathbf{q} \in \Omega. \quad (33)$$

A weak solution is said to be entropic if it satisfies the inequality

$$\frac{\partial \eta(\mathbf{q})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{q})}{\partial x} \leq 0 \quad (34)$$

in the sense of distribution.

Function $\mathbf{q}(x, t)$ is weak solution if and only if, across a discontinuity with speed ζ , it satisfies generalized Rankine-Hugoniot condition,

$$-\zeta(\mathbf{q}_r - \mathbf{q}_l) + \int_0^1 \mathbf{A}(\phi(s; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r)) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r) ds = 0. \quad (35)$$

Now we define the Riemann problem for nonconservative strictly hyperbolic system:

$$\mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0 \quad (36)$$

with an initial condition

$$\mathbf{q}(x, 0) = \mathbf{q}_0(x) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{q}_l & \text{pro } x < 0, \\ \mathbf{q}_r & \text{pro } x > 0, \end{cases} \quad (37)$$

where $\mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are vectors of constants.

Theorem 4.2. *Let ϕ be a family of path in the sense of definition 4.1. Assume that system (36) is strictly hyperbolic with genuinely nonlinear or linearly degenerate characteristic field and the family of path ϕ satisfies*

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{q}_1}(1; \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_0) - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{q}_1}(0; \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_0) = \mathbf{I}, \quad \forall \mathbf{q}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m. \quad (38)$$

Then, for $|\mathbf{q}_r - \mathbf{q}_l|$ small enough, the Riemann problem (36) and (37) has a solution $\mathbf{q}(x, t)$ with bounded variation, which depends only on $\frac{x}{t}$ and has Lax's structure. That is $\mathbf{q}(x, t)$ consist of $m + 1$ constant states separated by shock waves, rarefaction waves or contact discontinuities.

The solution of the Riemann problem for nonconservative system is related to the solution of the Riemann problem for conservative system. The only difference is in the case of shock wave, precisely in Rankine-Hugoniot condition formulation.

Before we define a class of useful numerical methods, we introduce a brief motivation, which can be in details found in (Gosse, 2001). Suppose nonconservative system

$$\mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0 \quad (39)$$

and suppose family of path in the sense of definition 4.1. If $\mathbf{q}(x, t)$ is piecewise regular weak solution then for given time t , the Borel measure can be written in following form

$$\mu^\phi(o) = \mu_a^\phi(o) + \mu_s^\phi = \int_o \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{q}_x dx + \sum_k \left[\int_0^1 \mathbf{A}(\phi(s; \mathbf{q}_k^-, \mathbf{q}_k^+)) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_k^-, \mathbf{q}_k^+) ds \right] \delta_{x=x_k(t)}, \quad (40)$$

where index k represents number of discontinuities in solution, $x_k(t)$ are discontinuity points in the time $t > 0$ and $\mathbf{q}_k^- = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k(t)^-} \mathbf{q}(x, t)$, $\mathbf{q}_k^+ = \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k(t)^+} \mathbf{q}(x, t)$, $\delta_{x=x_k(t)}$ is Dirac measure at the point $x = x_k(t)$. Then we can get

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}}_j^{n+1} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_j^n - \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mu^\phi(I_j) dt. \quad (41)$$

The amount of the quantity on the cell boundaries $x_{j+1/2}$ can be splitted into contribution to cell I_{j+1} and the contribution to the cell I_j . In other words, we split it into two terms $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^\pm$.

So the sum of this terms can be understood as a discrete representation of the $\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mu_s^\phi dt$ and

$\mathbf{A}_j \approx \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \mu_a^\phi(I_j) dt$. By this way we get generalisation of classical conservative finite volume methods, see (Parès, 2006), i.e.

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}}_j^{n+1} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_j^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} [\mathbf{A}_{j-1/2}^+ + \mathbf{A}_j + \mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^-]. \quad (42)$$

Definition 4.4. Given a family of path ϕ , a numerical scheme is said to be path-conservation if it can be written in form (42), where

$$\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^\pm = \mathbf{A}^\pm(\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{j-p}, \dots, \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{j+q}),$$

$$\mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{A}(\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{j-p}, \dots, \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{j+q}),$$

$\mathbf{A}^\pm, \mathbf{A} : \Omega^{p+q+1} \rightarrow \Omega$ being continuous functions satisfying

$$1. \quad \mathbf{A}^\pm(\mathbf{q}, \dots, \mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \forall \mathbf{q} \in \Omega, \quad (43)$$

$$2. \quad \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{q}_{-p}, \dots, \mathbf{q}_q) + \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{q}_{-p}, \dots, \mathbf{q}_q) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{A}(\phi(s; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r)) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial s}(s; \mathbf{q}_l, \mathbf{q}_r) ds \quad (44)$$

$$\forall \mathbf{q}_j \in \Omega, j = -p, \dots, q.$$

$$3. \quad \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}, \dots, \mathbf{q}) = \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{q}_x dx. \quad (45)$$

Remark 4.3. If $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})$ then path-conservation scheme is consistent and conservative (that is if the nonconservative system can be written as conservative one, path-conservative method become classical conservative and consistent). Notice here that $\mathbf{A}^\pm$ are fluctuations, see 3.2.

4.3 The properties of exact solution

Consider a system in conservative form with special right hand side (this system agrees with shallow water system (5))

$$\mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})_x = \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{q})\sigma_x. \quad (46)$$

This system can be rewritten in a following homogeneous nonconservative form

$$\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}_x = 0, \quad (47)$$

where

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q} \\ \sigma \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{u}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u})$ denotes Jacobian matrix of flux $\mathbf{f}$. In order to define weak solutions of the system (47) we have to choose family of paths (see definition 4.1 and theorem 4.2). And following requirement become natural: if $\mathbf{u} = [\mathbf{q}, \sigma]^T$ is a weak solution of the nonconservative system (47) and σ is constant, then $\mathbf{q}$ must be weak solution of the homogeneous system of conservation laws, i.e. (46) with zero right hand side. By this requirement we impose addition condition of family of paths:

if $\mathbf{u}_l$ and $\mathbf{u}_r$ are such that $\sigma_l = \sigma_r = \bar{\sigma}$, then

$$\Phi(s; \mathbf{u}_l, \mathbf{u}_r) = \bar{\sigma}, \quad s \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle. \quad (48)$$

For these systems, there are no difficulties with convergence. Moreover, the shock waves propagating in regions where σ is continuous are correctly captured independently of the choice of path. For details see (Le Floch et al., 2008).

5. Approximate Riemann solvers

There are many numerical schemes for solving (7) with different properties and possibilities of failing. The main types of the finite volume schemes are the central, upwind and central-upwind schemes. All these schemes relate together in variety of ways. We can interpret them as schemes with different deep knowledge about structure of the solution of Riemann problem. For example, the same scheme can be interpreted as the HLL solver (an approximate Riemann solver) or as the central-upwind scheme.

The main requirements on the numerical schemes are the consistency (in the finite volume sense, i.e. consistency with the flux function), the conservativity (if there is possibility to rewrite the problem to the conservative form it is required to have conservative numerical scheme), positive semidefiniteness (the scheme preserves nonnegativity of some quantities, which are essentially nonnegative from their physical fundamental) and the well-balancing (the schemes maintain some or all steady states which can occur). The next properties are the order of the schemes and stability. From the computational point of view there are other properties such as robustness, simplicity and computational efficiency. The second and third of these properties are typical for the central methods, but they are not common for scheme based on Roe's solver.

The steady states mean that the unknown quantities do not change in the time, i.e. $\mathbf{q}_t = 0$ in (7), and the flux function must balance the right hand side, i.e. $[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x = \psi(\mathbf{q}, x)$. Some schemes are constructed to preserve some special steady states for example called "lake at rest" in open channel flow problems, where there is no motion and the free surface is constant.

5.1 Central schemes, local Lax-Friedrichs method

These schemes use estimate of upper bound of maximal local speed of the propagating discontinuities (for example see (Kurganov & Petrova, 2000)). They are based on the following decomposition

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{\Psi}_{j+1/2}^\pm = s_{j+1/2}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*) - s_{j+1/2}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^* - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-), \quad (49)$$

where the approximation of local speed is defined by

$$s_{j+1/2} = \max_p \{ \max \{ |\lambda^p(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-)|, |\lambda^p(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+)| \} \}. \quad (50)$$

The local waves can be based on the decomposition (49). It means

$$\mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^1 = -s_{j+1/2}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^* - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-), \quad \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^2 = s_{j+1/2}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*). \quad (51)$$

We can use the scheme in conservation form based on numerical fluxes (15) or in nonconservative form based on the fluctuations (23). It can be used the scheme in the form

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{Q}_j}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\Delta x} (\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2} - \mathbf{F}_{j-1/2}) + \mathbf{\Psi}_j \quad (52)$$

for the nonhomogeneous problems, where $\mathbf{\Psi}_j$ is a suitable approximation of the source term. The numerical fluxes can be defined by the following relation as

$$\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+)] - \frac{1}{2} s_{j+1/2} (\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) \quad (53)$$

and the fluctuations as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^1, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{\Psi}_j^\mp, \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

The advantage of central schemes is the fact, that it is not necessary to solve a full Riemann problem.

5.1.1 Steady states

These schemes do not preserve general steady states for the problems with source terms, but only special one for shallow water equations. The steady state called “lake at rest”, where $v = 0, h + b = \text{const}$. If we use the scheme in fluctuation form, we need the equalities $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^- = \mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^+ = \mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{0}$. Here we present only the equality $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^+ = \mathbf{0}$, the $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}^- = \mathbf{0}$ can be derived by the similar way. The first component of decomposition (49) is

$$\underbrace{(HV)_{j+1/2}^+ - (HV)_{j+1/2}^-}_0 = \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(H_{j+1/2}^+ - H_{j+1/2}^*)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{+,1}} - \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(H_{j+1/2}^* - H_{j+1/2}^-)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{-,1}}. \quad (55)$$

Because there is no motion of the fluid, we have

$$(HV)_{j+1/2}^+ = (HV)_{j+1/2}^- = 0 \Rightarrow H_{j+1/2}^* = \frac{1}{2}(H_{j+1/2}^+ + H_{j+1/2}^-). \quad (56)$$

Fig. 1. The central methods construct only one middle state.

We consider nonhomogeneous problem, it means, that the $b_x \neq 0$. The constant water level then includes $h_x \neq 0$. Therefore the fluctuation are not equal to zero in general.

$$H_{j+1/2}^+ \neq H_{j+1/2}^- \Rightarrow H_{j+1/2}^+ - H_{j+1/2}^* \neq 0 \Rightarrow A_{j+1/2}^{+,1} \neq 0. \quad (57)$$

This situation is illustrated at the Fig.1. It can be seen that one middle state is in contradiction with physical model with source terms. This method could preserve only steady states that the reconstruction of unknown function is constant. This leads to the following modification of the system (5). We define new unknown function representing water level $y = h + b$. The shallow water equation can be modified to the following form

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} y \\ (y - B)v \end{array} \right]_t + \left[\begin{array}{c} (y - B)v \\ (y - B)v^2 + \frac{1}{2}g(y - B)^2 \end{array} \right]_x = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -g(y - B)B_x \end{array} \right]. \quad (58)$$

Then the first component of decomposition (49) is

$$\underbrace{((Y - B)V)_{j+1/2}^+ - ((Y - B)V)_{j+1/2}^-}_0 = \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Y_{j+1/2}^+ - Y_{j+1/2}^*)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{+,1}} - \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Y_{j+1/2}^* - Y_{j+1/2}^-)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{-,1}}. \quad (59)$$

Again, no motion of the water ensures

$$((Y - B)V)_{j+1/2}^+ = ((Y - B)V)_{j+1/2}^- = 0 \Rightarrow Y_{j+1/2}^* = \frac{1}{2}(Y_{j+1/2}^+ + Y_{j+1/2}^-). \quad (60)$$

Constant water level means $y_x = 0$ and then

$$Y_{j+1/2}^+ = Y_{j+1/2}^- \Rightarrow Y_{j+1/2}^+ - Y_{j+1/2}^* = 0 \Rightarrow A_{j+1/2}^{+,1} = 0. \quad (61)$$

The second component of decomposition (49) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{f^2(Q_{j+1/2}^+) - f^2(Q_{j+1/2}^-) - \Psi_{j+1/2}^{2,\pm}}_{0 \text{ (for suitable approximation)}} = \\ & = \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Q_{j+1/2}^{+,2} - Q_{j+1/2}^{*,2})}_{A_{j+1/2}^{+,2}} - \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Q_{j+1/2}^{*,2} - Q_{j+1/2}^{-,2})}_{A_{j+1/2}^{-,2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

The second component of this middle state is defined by

$$Q_{j+1/2}^{*,2} = \frac{f^2(Q_{j+1/2}^-) - f^2(Q_{j+1/2}^+) - \Psi_{j+1/2}^{2,\pm}}{2s_{j+1/2}} + \frac{1}{2}(Q_{j+1/2}^{-,2} + Q_{j+1/2}^{+,2}), \quad (63)$$

therefore

$$Q_{j+1/2}^{*,2} = Q_{j+1/2}^{-,2} = Q_{j+1/2}^{+,2} \Rightarrow A_{j+1/2}^{+,2} = 0. \quad (64)$$

The term $A_j = 0$ for suitable approximation $\Psi_j^\mp$ so that

$$f(Q_{j+1/2}^-) - f(Q_{j+1/2}^+) = \Psi_j^\mp. \quad (65)$$

We have seen that this method preserves steady state “lake at rest” for the modified system (58) when the suitable approximation of the source terms is used. The common way how to construct this approximation is based on the equality with the flux difference.

Now we turn to general steady state. It means $h v = \text{const}$. We need again the equalities $A_{j+1/2}^- = A_{j+1/2}^+ = A_j = 0$. First component of the flux decomposition is

$$\underbrace{((Y-B)V)_{j+1/2}^+ - ((Y-B)V)_{j+1/2}^-}_0 = \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Y_{j+1/2}^+ - Y_{j+1/2}^*)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{+,1}} - \underbrace{s_{j+1/2}(Y_{j+1/2}^* - Y_{j+1/2}^-)}_{A_{j+1/2}^{-,1}}. \quad (66)$$

The left and right values of the flux discharge are still equal

$$((Y-B)V)_{j+1/2}^+ = ((Y-B)V)_{j+1/2}^- = 0 \Rightarrow Y_{j+1/2}^* = \frac{1}{2}(Y_{j+1/2}^+ + Y_{j+1/2}^-), \quad (67)$$

but the reconstructed values of the water level are not equal in general

$$Y_{j+1/2}^+ \neq Y_{j+1/2}^- \Rightarrow Y_{j+1/2}^+ - Y_{j+1/2}^* \neq 0 \Rightarrow A_{j+1/2}^{+,1} \neq 0. \quad (68)$$

Therefore, the general steady state is not preserved.

5.1.2 Positive semidefiniteness

We recall that positive semidefiniteness is a property that consists in preserving nonnegativity of some unknown functions. In the cases of shallow water equations (water height h) and urethra flow modelling (cross-section of the tube a), the central scheme preserves this property. We illustrate this by the preserving the nonnegativity of the water level. The middle state is defined

$$H_{j+1/2}^* = \frac{s_{j+1/2}H_{j+1/2}^+ + s_{j+1/2}H_{j+1/2}^- - H_{j+1/2}^+V_{j+1/2}^+ + H_{j+1/2}^-V_{j+1/2}^-}{2s_{j+1/2}}. \quad (69)$$

Because the speed s is defined by (50), we can use the following inequality (for better display lower indexes $j+1/2$ are neglected),

$$H^* \geq \frac{(V^+ + \sqrt{gH^+})H^+ - (V^- - \sqrt{gH^-})H^- - H^+V^+ + H^-V^-}{2s} = \quad (70)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{gH^+}H^+ + \sqrt{gH^-}H^-}{2s} \geq 0. \quad (71)$$

5.2 Central-upwind schemes, HLL scheme

We will see that central-upwind scheme and HLL scheme can be understood as equivalent. The central-upwind scheme is based on the decomposition in the form

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{\Psi}_{j+1/2}^\pm = s_{j+1/2}^2(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*) - s_{j+1/2}^1(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^* - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-), \quad (72)$$

where $s_{j+1/2}^1$ and $s_{j+1/2}^2$ are the approximations of maximal and minimal speeds of the local waves. Furthermore

$$\mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^1 = -s_{j+1/2}^1(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^* - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-), \quad \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^2 = s_{j+1/2}^2(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*). \quad (73)$$

For the scheme in conservative form (13) (or in the form with approximation of the source term (52)), we can define the following numerical fluxes

$$\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2} = \frac{s_{j+1/2}^1 \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - s_{j+1/2}^2 \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-)}{s_{j+1/2}^1 - s_{j+1/2}^2} + \frac{s_{j+1/2}^1 s_{j+1/2}^2}{s_{j+1/2}^1 - s_{j+1/2}^2} (\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^- - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+). \quad (74)$$

If we use the scheme in fluctuation form (23), the fluctuations can be defined as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^p < 0}^2 \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^p, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - \mathbf{\Psi}_{j+1/2}^\pm, \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^p > 0}^2 \mathbf{Z}_{j+1/2}^p. \end{aligned} \quad (75)$$

As we mentioned before, the HLL solver can be identified with the central-upwind scheme. This solver depends on the choice of wave speeds. This solver does not use an explicit linearization of the Jacobi matrix, but the solution is constructed by consideration of two discontinuities (independent on the system dimension) propagating at speeds $s_{j+1/2}^1$ and $s_{j+1/2}^2$. These speeds approximate minimal and maximal local speeds of the system. The middle state $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*$ between states $\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_j$ is determined by conservation law

$$s_{j+1/2}^1(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^* - \mathbf{Q}_j) + s_{j+1/2}^2(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1} - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^*) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_j). \quad (76)$$

Properties of this solver are strongly tied to the choice of the speeds $s_{j+1/2}^1$ and $s_{j+1/2}^2$. Speeds are determined by initial conditions and properties of the exact Riemann solver. Furthermore, it can be proved that in the case of the system of two equations when the wave speeds $s_{j+1/2}^1$ and $s_{j+1/2}^2$ are equal to Roe's speeds $\lambda_{j+1/2}^1$ and $\lambda_{j+1/2}^2$, the HLL solver is equal to Roe's solver (described in the following part).

5.2.1 Steady states

These methods preserve steady states by the similar way like the central schemes. It is important to use the suitable approximation of the source term function based on the flux

difference. For example in (Kurganov & Levy, 2002) is presented approximation for preserving steady state “lake at rest” in the form

$$\Psi_j^{(2)}(t) \approx -g \frac{B(x_{j+1/2}) - B(x_{j-1/2})}{\Delta x} \cdot \frac{(Y_{j+1/2}^- - B(x_{j+1/2})) + (Y_{j-1/2}^+ - B(x_{j-1/2}))}{2}. \quad (77)$$

This approximation (77) supposes continuous approximation of function b describing bottom topography i.e. $B_{j+1/2}^+ = B_{j+1/2}^- = B_{j+1/2}$.

5.2.2 Positive semidefiniteness

The nonnegativity of the unknown function can be shown by a similar way as in the part 5.1.2. But if we use the scheme (Kurganov & Levy, 2002) and solve the system (58), the unknown function is the water level $y = h + B$ rather than the water height h . The nonnegativity of water height can be ensured for the system (5).

The scheme that ensures both properties at the same time is presented for example in (Audusse et al., 2004). It is based on special reconstruction of functions h and b

$$H_{j+1/2}^- = \max(0, H_j + B_j - B_{j+1/2}), \quad H_{j+1/2}^+ = \max\{0, H_{j+1} + B_{j+1} - B_{j+1/2}\}, \quad (78)$$

where

$$B_{j+1/2} = \max\{B_j, B_{j+1}\}. \quad (79)$$

Again, as in previous cases, the source term approximation is equal to the flux difference.

5.3 Roe's solver

First, we assume the homogeneous system. Roe's solver is the approximate Riemann solver based on the local approximation of the nonlinear system $\mathbf{q}_t + [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x \equiv \mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_x = \mathbf{0}$, where $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ is the Jacobi matrix, by the linear system $\mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}\mathbf{q}_x = \mathbf{0}$, where $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}$ is the Roe-averaged Jacobi matrix, which is defined by suitable combination of $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_j)$ and $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1})$. For details see (LeVeque, 2004).

For the conservation form (13) of the scheme we can define numerical fluxes

$$\mathbf{F}_{j+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+)] - \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}| (\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-). \quad (80)$$

Fluctuation form is based on the following fluctuations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1}^m \lambda_{j+1/2}^{-,p} \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p \Delta \gamma_{j+1/2}^p, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+), \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1}^m \lambda_{j+1/2}^{+,p} \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p \Delta \gamma_{j+1/2}^p, \end{aligned} \quad (81)$$

where $\mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p$ are eigenvectors of the Roe matrix $\mathbf{A}_{j+1/2}$, $\lambda_{j+1/2}^p$ are eigenvalues called Roe's speeds and $\Delta \gamma_{j+1/2} = \mathbf{R}_{j+1/2}^{-1} (\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+ - \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-)$.

5.3.1 Steady states

Roe's solver is based on upwind technique. For preserving steady states, it is possible to upwind the source terms too. See (Bermudez & Vasquez, 1994) for details. It is based on approximate Jacobi matrix constructed by the following relation (for simplicity the lower indexes are neglected)

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}^-) - \mathbf{\Psi}(\mathbf{Q}^+, \mathbf{Q}^-) = \sum_{p=1}^m \mathbf{Z}^p = \sum_{p=1}^m \lambda^p \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p, \quad (82)$$

where λ^p and $\mathbf{r}^p$ are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of matrix $\mathbf{A}$. Since the matrix $\mathbf{A}$ is diagonalizable we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{R}^{-1}, \quad (83)$$

where $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is the diagonal matrix of the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}$ and the columns of matrix $\mathbf{R}$ are the corresponding eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}$. Then we can derive the decomposition of the source term

$$\mathbf{\Psi}^+ = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^+\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{I} + |\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{A}^{-1})\mathbf{\Psi}, \quad (84)$$

$$\mathbf{\Psi}^- = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^-\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{I} - |\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{A}^{-1})\mathbf{\Psi}, \quad (85)$$

where $\mathbf{\Lambda}^+$ and $\mathbf{\Lambda}^-$ are the positive and negative parts of $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ so that $\mathbf{\Lambda}^+ + \mathbf{\Lambda}^- = \mathbf{\Lambda}$. The jump of unknown function is decomposed to the eigenvectors of matrix $\mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{Q}^+ - \mathbf{Q}^- = \mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\gamma}. \quad (86)$$

Because

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{\Lambda}^+ + \mathbf{\Lambda}^-)\mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^+ + \mathbf{A}^- \quad (87)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}(\mathbf{Q}^+ - \mathbf{Q}^-) \quad (88)$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}^+ - \mathbf{Q}^-) + \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}^+ - \mathbf{Q}^-) + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^+\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^-\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} &= \\ &= \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^+\boldsymbol{\gamma} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^-\boldsymbol{\gamma} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^+\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{R}\mathbf{\Lambda}^-\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \\ &= \mathbf{R} \left[\mathbf{\Lambda}^-(\boldsymbol{\gamma} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma}) + \mathbf{\Lambda}^-(\boldsymbol{\gamma} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \right] = \sum_{p=1}^m \lambda^{+,p} \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p + \sum_{p=1}^m \lambda^{-,p} \alpha^p \mathbf{r}^p. \end{aligned} \quad (89)$$

The decomposition (89) is used for construction of fluctuation by the same way as in the following part 5.4 in the case of flux-difference splitting method. It can be shown (Bermudez & Vasquez, 1994), that such approximation preserves steady state "lake at rest" for the appropriate approximation of the source terms.

5.3.2 Positive semidefiniteness

Roe's solver is not positive semidefinite in general. The main reason is in using the linearization to construct the approximate Jacobi matrix.

5.4 Flux-difference splitting scheme

The main idea of this method is to decompose the flux difference into the combination of linearly independent vectors - in fact, this approach is a generalization of the decomposition used in Roe's solver. The suitable choice of these vectors are required because of consistency with the model. Such a suitable choice can be approximation of the eigenvectors of the Jacobi matrix of solved system. Sometimes it is preferable to add the approximation of the source term $\Psi_{j+1/2}$ to this decomposition

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \Psi_{j+1/2} = \sum_{p=1}^m \gamma_{j+1/2}^p \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p. \quad (90)$$

The fluctuation are defined based on this decomposition as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^p < 0}^m \gamma_{j+1/2}^p \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) - \Psi_j, \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^p > 0}^m \gamma_{j+1/2}^p \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p. \end{aligned} \quad (91)$$

This idea will be used in decompositions based on augmented system, which will be described later. In fact, the idea is very similar to the approach in (Bermudez & Vazquez, 1994)

5.4.1 Steady states

The preserving of steady states can be described very easily. If the left side of the relation (90) is equal to zero (it is condition for steady state) then all coefficients $\gamma_{j+1/2}^p = 0$ because of linearly independence of the vectors $\mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p$. Therefore the fluctuations are equal to zero too.

5.5 HLLE scheme

When the special choice of the characteristic speeds called the Einfeldt speeds is used, the HLL solver is called HLLE. The Einfeldt speeds are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} s_{j+1/2}^1 &= \min_p \{ \min \{ \lambda_{jl}^p, \lambda_{j+1/2}^p, 0 \} \}, \\ s_{j+1/2}^2 &= \max_p \{ \max \{ \lambda_{jr}^p, \lambda_{j+1/2}^p, 0 \} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (92)$$

where λ_{jl}^p are eigenvalues of the matrix $\mathbf{A}_{jl} = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-)$ and λ_{jr}^p are eigenvalues of the matrix $\mathbf{A}_{jr} = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+)$. $\lambda_{j+1/2}^p$ are the Roe's speeds. This choice of the speeds leads to smaller amount of numerical diffusion, for details see (Einfeldt, 1988).

5.6 Decompositions based on augmented system

This procedure is based on the extension of the system (10) by other equations (for simplicity we omit viscous term). This was derived in (George, 2008) for the shallow water flow. The advantage of this step is in the conversion of the nonhomogeneous system to the homogeneous

one. In the case of urethra flow we obtain the system of four equations, where the augmented vector of unknown functions is $\mathbf{w} = [a, q, \frac{a_0}{\beta}, \beta]^T$. Furthermore we formally augment this system by adding components of the flux function $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})$ to the vector of the unknown functions. We multiply balance law (7) by Jacobian matrix $\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{u})$ and obtain following relation

$$\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_t + \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})\psi(\mathbf{q}, x). \quad (93)$$

Because of $\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{q}_t = [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_t$ we obtain hyperbolic system for the flux function

$$[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_t + \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})[\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q})]_x = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q})\psi(\mathbf{q}, x). \quad (94)$$

In the case of the urethra fluid flow modelling we add only one equation for the second component of the flux function i.e. $\phi = av^2 + \frac{a^2}{2\rho\beta}$ (the first component q is unknown function of the original balance law), which has the form

$$\phi_t + (-v^2 + \frac{a}{2\rho\beta})(av)_x + 2v\phi_x - \frac{2av}{\rho} \left(\frac{a_0}{\beta} \right)_x - \frac{a^2v}{\rho\beta^2} \beta_x = 0. \quad (95)$$

Finally augmented system can be written in the nonconservative form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ q \\ \phi \\ \frac{a_0}{\beta} \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{q^2}{a^2} + \frac{a}{\rho\beta} & 2\frac{q}{a} & 0 & -\frac{a}{\rho} & -\frac{a^2}{\rho\beta^2} \\ 0 & -\frac{q^2}{a^2} + \frac{a}{\rho\beta} & 2\frac{q}{a} & 2\frac{q}{\rho} & -\frac{a^2}{\rho\beta^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ q \\ \phi \\ \frac{a_0}{\beta} \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}_x = \mathbf{0}, \quad (96)$$

briefly $\mathbf{w}_t + \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{w})\mathbf{w}_x = \mathbf{0}$, where matrix $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{w})$ has following eigenvalues

$$\lambda^1 = v - \sqrt{\frac{a}{\rho\beta}}, \lambda^2 = v + \sqrt{\frac{a}{\rho\beta}}, \lambda^3 = 2v, \lambda^4 = \lambda^5 = 0 \quad (97)$$

and corresponding eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{r}^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda^1 \\ (\lambda^1)^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{r}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda^2 \\ (\lambda^2)^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{r}^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{r}^4 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-a}{\rho\lambda^1\lambda^2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{a}{\rho} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{r}^5 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-a^2}{\rho\beta^2\lambda^1\lambda^2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{a^2}{2\rho\beta^2} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (98)$$

We have five linearly independent eigenvectors. The approximation is chosen to be able to prove the consistency and provide the stability of the algorithm. In some special cases this scheme is conservative and we can guarantee the positive semidefiniteness, but only under the additional assumptions (see (Brandner et al., 2009)).

The fluctuations are then defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^-(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^{p,n} < 0}^m \gamma_{j+1/2}^p \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p, \\ \mathbf{A}^+(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^+) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \sum_{p=1, s_{j+1/2}^{p,n} > 0}^m \gamma_{j+1/2}^p \mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+, \mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) &= \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+) - \Psi(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+), \end{aligned} \quad (99)$$

where $\Psi(\mathbf{Q}_{j+1/2}^-, \mathbf{Q}_{j-1/2}^+)$ is a suitable approximation of the source term and $\mathbf{r}_{j+1/2}^p$ are suitable approximations of the eigenvectors (98).

5.6.1 Steady states

The steady state for the augmented system means $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{w})\mathbf{w}_x = \mathbf{0}$, therefore $\mathbf{w}_x$ is a linear combination of the eigenvectors corresponding to the zero eigenvalues. The discrete form of the vector $\Delta\mathbf{w}$ corresponds to the certain approximation of these eigenvectors. It can be shown (Brandner et al., 2009) that

$$\Delta \begin{bmatrix} A \\ Q \\ \Phi \\ \frac{a_0}{\beta} \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\bar{A}}{\rho} \frac{1}{\lambda^1 \lambda^2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{\bar{A}}{\rho} \frac{\lambda^1 \lambda^2}{\lambda^1 \lambda^2} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Delta \left(\frac{a_0}{\beta} \right) + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\bar{A}^2}{\rho \beta_{j+1} \beta_j} \frac{1}{\lambda^1 \lambda^2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{\bar{A}^2}{\rho \beta_{j+1} \beta_j} \frac{\lambda^1 \lambda^2}{\lambda^1 \lambda^2} - \frac{\tilde{A}^2}{2 \rho \beta_{j+1} \beta_j} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Delta \beta. \quad (100)$$

Therefore we use vectors on the RHS of (100) as approximations of the fourth and fifth eigenvectors of the matrix $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{w})$ to preserve general steady state.

5.6.2 Positive semidefiniteness

Positive semidefiniteness of this scheme is shown in (George, 2008) for the case of shallow water equation. It is based on a special choice of approximations of the eigenvectors (98). This, in the case of urethra flow, is more complicated because of structure of the eigenvectors. Some necessary conditions for approximation of these eigenvectors are presented in (Brandner et al., 2009).

5.7 The other methods

Many other methods exist that are suitable for solving nonhomogeneous hyperbolic PDEs. These methods are often derived from the ideas described above. Some approaches are very different. However, we describe at least briefly the two of them.

5.7.1 ADER schemes

ADER scheme is an approach for constructing conservative nonlinear finite volume type methods of arbitrary accuracy in space and time. The first step in ADER algorithm is the reconstruction of point-wise values of solution from cell averages at time t_n via high-order polynomials. To design non-oscillatory schemes we can use for example WENO reconstruction. After this step we solve High-order Riemann problem (Derivative or Generalized Riemann problem). This problem is defined as a classical Riemann problem with polynomial-wise initial condition (polynomials arise in reconstruction step). The solution of High-order Riemann problem is used for numerical fluxes evaluation. For details see for example (Toro & Titarev, 2006) and (Toro & Titarev, 2002).

5.7.2 Flux-vector splitting

This approach is based on solving Riemann problem for the augmented formulation of the system (for example (8)) and nonconservative reformulation of the zero-order terms of the

right-hand-side of the equations in the form (46). This solution is decomposed to the stationary contact discontinuity described by the suitable Rankine-Hugoniot condition and the remaining part of the solution solved by the flux splitting for conservation systems. For details see for example (Gosse, 2001).

6. Numerical experiments

Now we present several numerical experiments of the urethra flow based on mathematical model (10) and shallow water flow based on model (5). The experiments are presented only for illustration of properties of some described methods. Detailed comparison of all presented methods can be found in using literature.

6.1 Steady urethra flow

This experiment simulates the urethra flow with no viscosity. The parameter $p_e = 1200$ and parameter β is illustrated at the figure 2. The initial condition is defined by the following

$$p(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 3000 \text{ Pa,} & \text{for } x = 0 \\ 500 \text{ Pa,} & \text{else,} \end{cases}, v(x, 0) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ m/s,} & \text{for } x = 0 \\ 0 \text{ m/s,} & \text{else.} \end{cases} \quad (101)$$

It is used the constant input discharge at the point $x = 0$ during the whole simulation. The functions described discharge and cross section of the tube are extrapolated from the boundary at the outflow ($x = 0.19$). At the last figures 2 and 3 we can see the difference between the methods. While the method based on decomposition of augmented system (Sec.5.6) preserve steady state ($q \equiv \text{const.}$) the central-upwind method (Sec.5.2) do not preserve such general steady state.

6.2 Shallow water flow

These experiments compare solution computed by the method based on decomposition of augmented system (see section 5.6) using piecewise constant reconstruction (first order method) and the piecewise linear reconstruction (second order method). The preservation of general steady state and positive semidefiniteness of the scheme is shown.

In all experiments we used 200 grid points and the following bottom topography

$$b(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} \left(1 + \cos \frac{\pi(x-0.5)}{0.1} \right) & \text{if } x \in \langle 0.4, 0.6 \rangle, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (102)$$

6.2.1 Small perturbations from the steady state

This experiment simulates propagation of the small perturbation from the steady state “lake at rest”. The initial condition is given by

$$h + b = \begin{cases} 1 + 10^{-5}, & x \in \langle 0.1, 0.2 \rangle, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (103)$$

Water height and discharge are extrapolated at the boundaries. The propagation of the perturbation is illustrated at the Fig. 4

Fig. 2. Urethra flow simulation solved by the augmented system decomposition

6.2.2 Drainage of the reservoir

Here the initial condition is defined by

$$h + b = 0.8, \quad q = 0.$$

(104)

This simulates reservoir initially at rest, draining onto a dry bed through its boundaries. So we use open boundary conditions at the right boundary, and reflecting boundary conditions at the left boundary. More specifically it is implemented by zero discharge $Q(0,t) = 0$ during the whole simulation, while the water height is extrapolated from the domain. At the outflow (right boundary), the boundary conditions are implemented as follows: if the flow is supercritical, $H + B$ and Q are extrapolated from the interior of the domain, while if the flow is subcritical, the water height H is prescribed $H(1,t) = 10^{-16}$ and Q is extrapolated. Solution is depicted in Fig. 5.

This flow demonstrates also the positive semidefiniteness of the scheme which insures the water depth remains non-negative.

Fig. 3. Urethra flow simulation solved by the central-upwind scheme

Fig. 4. Propagation of small perturbation of the water height from the steady state solution through the centered contracted channel.

Fig. 5. Time evolution of the water height through the centered contracted channel from the initial condition to the general steady state solution.

7. Conclusion

In this chapter we have tried to summarize the basic approaches for solving hyperbolic equations with non-zero right hand side. We described all methods using the flux-difference or flux-vector splitting. We paid special attention to approximations that maintain steady states. Other desired property of the proposed schemes is positive semidefiniteness. It should be noted that it is very difficult to construct schemes that meet multiple properties simultaneously. For example, the central and central-upwind schemes are positive semidefinite, but maintain only the special steady state lake at rest. Similarly, we can explore the links between the just mentioned two properties and the order of schemes, the amount of numerical diffusion, etc. It can not be unambiguously decided which method is the best one. Before we choose the method that we have to decide which properties are essential for the concrete simulation. We hope that our overview provides to readers at least partial guidance on how to choose the most appropriate numerical approach to solve nonhomogeneous hyperbolic partial differential equations by finite volume methods.

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