

Exercise 12: WENO reconstruction

Exercise 1

The WENO reconstruction is based on a convex combination, with coefficients ω_r , of approximations $v_{i+1/2}^{(r)}$ calculated on k different stencils. The coefficients ω_r depend on another set of coefficients d_r and some smoothness indicators β_r .

1. The Smoothness indicators β_r are defined by

$$\beta_r = \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} \Delta x^{2l-1} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} \left(\frac{d^l p_r}{dx^l}(x) \right)^2 dx \quad r = 0, \dots, k-1. \quad (1)$$

For $k = 2$ (3rd-order reconstruction), this yields the following expressions:

$$\beta_0 = (\bar{U}_{i+1} - \bar{U}_i)^2, \quad \beta_1 = (\bar{U}_i - \bar{U}_{i-1})^2. \quad (2)$$

Verify (2).

2. The coefficients d_r are chosen so that

$$\sum_{r=0}^{k-1} d_r v_{i+1/2}^{(r)} = v(x_{i+1/2}) + O(\Delta x^{2k-1}). \quad (3)$$

For $k = 2, 3$,

$$k = 2: \quad d_0 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad d_1 = \frac{1}{3} \quad (4)$$

$$k = 3: \quad d_0 = \frac{3}{10}, \quad d_1 = \frac{3}{5}, \quad d_2 = \frac{1}{10}. \quad (5)$$

Explain how these values are obtained and verify (4).

3. Write a program that implements WENO reconstruction for both $k = 2, 3$.
4. Write a finite volume code for

$$u_t + au_x = 0$$

where the interface values are obtained by using the WENO reconstruction. Plug these values in the Godunov flux, and integrate the semi-discrete scheme using SSP-RK3. Implement the following initial conditions on the domain $[-1, 1]$ with periodic BC

$$v_0(x) = \sin(\pi x), \quad T_f = 5 \quad (6)$$

$$v_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < 0.5 \\ -1 & |x| > 0.5 \end{cases}, \quad T_f = 0.5. \quad (7)$$

Use a CFL of 0.5 to evaluate the time-step.

5. Run the code for $k = 2, 3$ and $a = 1$. Do you recover the expected order of convergence for (6)? Is the solution oscillatory for (7)?