

13 Monotone schemes

Let us focus on monotone schemes and the iterates produced by such schemes

$$U_j^{n+1} = G(U^n)_j = U_j^n - \frac{k}{h} \left(F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^n - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \right)$$

What is the connection to entropy solutions?

We introduce the notion of Kružkov entropy pair:

$$\eta(u) = |u - c|, \quad \psi(u) = \text{sign}(u - c) (f(u) - f(c)), \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

This is an entropy pair.

Thm If U^n is obtained by a monotone scheme satisfies the entropy condition

$$\frac{\eta(U_j^{n+1}) - \eta(U_j^n)}{k} + \frac{\psi_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^n - \psi_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n}{h} = 0$$

for every Kružkov entropy pair.

What are the limitations of monotone schemes?

$$x_j = h \cdot j, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

$$t^n = k \cdot n \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, K \quad K \cdot k = T$$

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$$\| u(x_j, t^n) - U_j^n \| \xrightarrow{h, k \downarrow 0} 0$$

We plug in the exact solutions into the scheme

$$u(t^n)_j := u(x_j, t^n)$$

$$u(t^{n+1})_j = G(u(t^n))_j + \underbrace{k T_j^n}_{\text{truncation error}}$$

We want the truncation error to vanish as $h, k \rightarrow 0$.

1. Assume that u exists and is smooth enough
2. T_j^n is obtained via Taylor expansion.

Example Transport equation

$$u_t + c u_x = 0, \quad c > 0$$

FTBS $U_j^{n+1} = G(U^n)_j = U_j^n - \frac{k}{h} c (U_j^n - U_{j-1}^n)$

$$u(x_j, t^{n+1}) = u(x_j, t^n) + k \partial_t u(x_j, t^n) + \frac{k^2}{2} \partial_{tt}^2 u(x_j, t^n) + \mathcal{O}(k^3)$$

$$u(x_{j-1}, t^n) = u(x_j, t^n) - h \partial_x u(x_j, t^n) + \frac{h^2}{2} \partial_{xx}^2 u(x_j, t^n) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$T_j^n = \frac{1}{k} \left(u(t^{n+1}, x_j) - G(u(x_j, t^n)) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{k} \left(u + k \partial_t u + \frac{k}{2} \partial_{tt}^2 u + \mathcal{O}(k^3) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - u + \frac{k}{h} c \left(u - u + h \partial_x u + \frac{h^2}{2} \partial_{xx}^2 u + \mathcal{O}(h^3) \right) \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{k} \left(\underbrace{k(\partial_t u + c \partial_x u)}_{=0} + \frac{k^2}{2} \partial_{tt}^2 u + khc \partial_{xx}^2 u + \mathcal{O}(k^3 + h^3) \right) \\
&= \frac{k}{2} \partial_{tt}^2 u + ch \partial_{xx}^2 u + \text{H.O.T.} \\
&=: \mathcal{O}(h, k)
\end{aligned}$$

The truncation goes to zero if k and h go to zero provided the true solution is regular enough.

Exercise:

FTFS	$\mathcal{O}(h, k)$
FTCS	$\mathcal{O}(h^2, k)$

We have seen that this is not enough in practice, since FTFS and FTCS quickly blow up

We define the local solution error

$$\varepsilon_j^n := u(x_j, t^n) - U_j^n$$

We have

$$U_j^{n+1} = G(U^n)_j, \quad u(t^{n+1}, x_j) = G(u(t^n))_j + k T_j^n$$

For simplicity, we assume that $G(u)$ is linear in u

$$\varepsilon_j^0 = u(0, x_j) - U_j^0 = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_j^1 = G(\varepsilon^0)_j + k T_j^0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_j^2 &= G(\varepsilon^1)_j + k T_j^1 \\ &= G^2(\varepsilon^0)_j + k(G(T^0)_j + T_j^1) \end{aligned}$$

⋮

$$\varepsilon_j^n = G^n(\varepsilon^0)_j + k \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} G^{n-i-1}(T^i)_j$$

Define discrete p -norms

$$\|U\|_{h,p} = \left(h \sum_j |U_j|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\|U\|_{h,\infty} = \max_j |U_j|$$

The global solution error satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varepsilon^n\|_{h,p} &\leq \|G^n(\varepsilon^0)\|_{h,p} + k \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \|G^{n-i-1}(T^i)\|_{h,p} \\ &\leq \|G^n\|_{h,p} \|\varepsilon^0\|_{h,p} + \underbrace{kh}_{t^n} \max_i \left(\|G^{n-i-1}\|_{h,p} \|T^i\|_{h,p} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the total error goes to zero if

$$1) \quad \|\varepsilon^0\|_{h,p} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for} \quad h \rightarrow 0 \quad \|G\|_{h,n} = \sup_{n+1} \frac{\|Gx\|_{h,p}}{\|x\|_{h,p}}$$

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$$2) \quad \|T^i\|_{h,p} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for} \quad h \rightarrow 0$$

1)+2) are called consistency of the scheme

The order of the scheme is (p, q) if

$$\|T^i\|_{h,s} = \mathcal{O}(h^p, k^q) = \mathcal{O}(h^p) + \mathcal{O}(k^q)$$

$$3) \quad \|G^n\|_{h,p} \leq C \quad (\text{stability})$$

A sufficient condition for stability is

$$\|G\|_{h,p} \leq 1 + \alpha k$$

$$\Rightarrow \|G^n\|_{h,p} \leq \|G\|_{h,p}^n \leq (1 + \alpha k)^n$$

$$\leq e^{\alpha k n} \leq e^{\alpha T} =: C$$

Stability measures sensitivity in initial conditions.

What about the stability of monotone schemes?

$$U_j^{n+1} = G(U^n)_j, \quad u(t^{n+1})_j = G(u(t^n))_j + k T_j^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon_j^{n+1} = G(u(t^n))_j - G(U^n)_j + k T_j^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\varepsilon_j^{n+1}\|_1 \leq \|G(u(t^n))_j - G(U^n)_j\|_1 + k \|T_j^n\|_1$$

$$\stackrel{L^1 \text{ contraction}}{\leq} \|u(t^n)_j - U_j^n\|_1 + k \|T_j^n\|_1$$

$$\leq \|\varepsilon_j^n\|_1 + k \|T_j^n\|_1$$

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$$\|v_j^u\|_1 = \sum_j |v_j^u|, \quad \|v_j^u\|_{h,1} = h \|v_j^u\|_1$$

Hence

$$\|\varepsilon_j^{n+1}\|_1 \leq \|\varepsilon_j^n\|_1 + k \|T_j^u\|_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\varepsilon_j^{n+1}\|_{h,1} \leq \|\varepsilon_j^n\|_{h,1} + k \|T_j^u\|_{h,1}$$

Thus, monotone schemes are stable
