CME306 / CS205B Homework 6

Essentially Non-Oscillatory Schemes

Given the following data for ϕ^n , write down the interpolating polynomial that third order HJ ENO would construct in order to compute ϕ_i^{n+1} in approximating the equation $\phi_t + \phi_x = 0$.

$$\phi_{i-3}^n = 5, \phi_{i-2}^n = 5, \phi_{i-1}^n = 4, \phi_i^n = 5, \phi_{i+1}^n = 1, \phi_{i+2}^n = -2, \phi_{i+3}^n = 0$$

Recall that the interpolating polynomial for 3^{rd} order requires Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 ; Q_0 will be calculated, but then promptly discarded since $(Q_0)_x = 0$. Next, we calculate the divided difference table, below:

We are evaluating ϕ_x at *i*, so $Q_0 = \phi_i = 5$. We required an upwind direction, which gives us Q_1 , and ENO gives Q_2 and Q_3 as:

$$Q_{1} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} (x - x_{i})$$

$$Q_{2} = \frac{1}{\Delta x^{2}} (x - x_{i}) (x - x_{i-1})$$

$$Q_{3} = \frac{1}{2\Delta x^{3}} (x - x_{i}) (x - x_{i-1}) (x - x_{i-2})$$

Putting it all together, we get:

$$P^{3}(x) = 5 + \frac{1}{\Delta x}(x - x_{i}) + \frac{1}{\Delta x^{2}}(x - x_{i})(x - x_{i-1}) + \frac{1}{2\Delta x^{3}}(x - x_{i})(x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i-2})$$
(1)

We'll go a few steps further now, to find out what $\phi_x(x_i)$ approximately is. We evaluate $P_x^3(x_i)$ to be:

$$P_x^3(x) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} + \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \left[(x - x_i) + (x - x_{i-1}) \right] + \frac{1}{2\Delta x^3} \left[(x - x_i) \left[(x - x_{i-1}) + (x - x_{i-2}) \right] + (x - x_{i-1}) (x - x_{i-2}) \right]$$

$$P_x^3(x_i) = \frac{1}{\Delta x} + \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} (x_i - x_{i-1}) + \frac{1}{2\Delta x^3} (x_i - x_{i-1}) (x_i - x_{i-2})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Delta x} + \frac{1}{\Delta x} + \frac{1}{\Delta x} = \boxed{\frac{3}{\Delta x}}$$

If we happened to have chosen that $\Delta x = .5$, then $\phi_x \approx 6$.

Weighted ENO

If we consider an upwind discretization of ϕ_x , we have three possible third-order interpolating polynomials, given by

$$\phi_x^1 = \frac{v_1}{3} - \frac{7v_2}{6} + \frac{11v_3}{6}$$
$$\phi_x^2 = -\frac{v_2}{6} + \frac{5v_3}{6} + \frac{v_4}{3}$$
$$\phi_x^3 = \frac{v_3}{3} + \frac{5v_4}{6} - \frac{v_5}{6}$$

Where $v_j = D^* \phi_{i+j-3}$, and $D^* \phi$ is the first-order upwind discretization of ϕ_x .

However, the philosophy of picking exactly one of the three candidate stencils is overkill in smooth regions of ϕ where ϕ is well-behaved. Instead, we can take a convex sum of the three stencils,

$$\phi_x = \omega_1 \phi_x^1 + \omega_2 \phi_x^2 + \omega_3 \phi_x^3 \tag{2}$$

Where $0 \le \omega_i \le 1$, $\omega_1 + \omega_2 + \omega_3 = 1$. It has been shown that we can pick $\omega_1 = .1, \omega_2 = .6, \omega_3 = .3$ and achieve a 5th order accurate approximation of ϕ_x .

1. Show that if we perturb ω by $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$ we still get a 5th order approximation to ϕ_x .

we know that each of ϕ_x^j for $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ are third-order accurate schemes, so $\phi_x^j = \phi_x + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3)$. If we take $\epsilon_j = \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$ to be our perturbations to ω_j , then our WENO scheme for ϕ_x becomes:

$$\begin{split} \phi_x &= \bar{\omega}_1 \phi_x^1 + \bar{\omega}_2 \phi_x^2 + \bar{\omega}_3 \phi_x^3 \\ &= (\omega_1 + \epsilon_1) \phi_x^1 + (\omega_2 + \epsilon_2) \phi_x^2 + (\omega_3 + \epsilon_3) \phi_x^3 \\ &= \omega_1 \phi_x^1 + \omega_2 \phi_x^2 + \omega_3 \phi_x^3 + \epsilon_1 \phi_x^1 + \epsilon_2 \phi_x^2 + \epsilon_3 \phi_x^3 \\ &= \phi_x + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^5) + (\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3) \phi_x + \epsilon_1 \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3) + \epsilon_2 \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3) + \epsilon_3 \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^3) \\ &= \phi_x + (\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3) \phi_x + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^5) \end{split}$$

We note that $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_3 = 0$ since we still want $\sum_i \bar{\omega}_i = 1$, and this scheme is 5th order accurate.

2. Why is this a bad idea in non-smooth areas of the flow? In order to demonstrate this, consider $\phi_t + \phi_x = 0$ for a heaviside step function, with initial data given by:

$$\phi_{i-3}^n = 0, \phi_{i-2}^n = 0, \phi_{i-1}^n = 0, \phi_i^n = 1, \phi_{i+1}^n = 1, \phi_{i+2}^n = 1, \phi_{i+3}^n = 1$$

We've discussed in class that any scheme which adds over-shoots to a problem can lead to non-physical oscillations near discontinuities. With that in mind, consider the WENO approximation which is made for ϕ_x at x_{i-1} . The divided difference table takes the form:

If we read off the table, we get:

$$v_1 = 0$$
 $v_2 = 0$ $v_3 = 0$ $v_4 = \frac{1}{\Delta x}$ $v_5 = 0$

Both ϕ_x^2 and ϕ_x^3 give a non-zero approximation to ϕ_x , even though both the ENO approximation as well as the analytical solution gives $\phi_{i-1} = 0$ for t > 0. In HJ-WENO there is **no way** to avoid pulling in bad information near a discontinuity, which is why it is not a good method to use near non-smooth regions of the flow.