

Numerical analysis of lattice Boltzmann schemes

General results, monotonicity/convergence for a non-linear conservation law, and equilibrium boundary conditions

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Lattice Boltzmann—way of doing

Discretization and scheme on $q > N$ unknowns $\mapsto N$ PDEs

$\Delta t \mathbb{N} \times \Delta x \mathbb{Z}^d$

collide (local, non-linear)
and stream (non-local, shift, linear)

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Two-unknowns scheme ($q = 2$)

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x \varphi(u) = 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x v = 0, \\ \partial_t v + \lambda^2 \partial_x u = \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\varphi(u) - v) \end{cases} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \partial_t f^\pm \pm \lambda \partial_x f^\pm = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{u}{2} \pm \frac{\varphi(u)}{2\lambda} - f^\pm \right)$$

- Collision: $\partial_t u = 0$ and $\partial_t v = \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\varphi(u) - v)$. We have the exact solution!

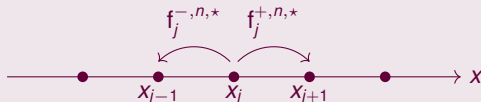
$$u_j^{n,*} = u_j^n, \quad v_j^{n,*} = (1 - e^{-\Delta t/\epsilon}) v_j^n + e^{-\Delta t/\epsilon} \varphi(u_j^n) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \varphi(u_j^n).$$

We do not do this: we replace $e^{-\Delta t/\epsilon}$ by $\omega \in (0, 2]$.

$$u_j^{n,*} = u_j^n, \quad v_j^{n,*} = (1 - \omega) v_j^n + \omega \varphi(u_j^n).$$

- Transport: $\partial_t f^\pm \pm \lambda \partial_x f^\pm = 0$. We pick $\lambda = \Delta x / \Delta t$ and use upwind schemes:

$$f_j^{\pm, n+1} = f_{j \mp 1}^{\pm, n,*}.$$



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	<u>Lattice Boltzmann</u>	$\rightarrow$	<u>Finite Difference</u>
<i>Unknowns:</i>	$\begin{pmatrix} m_1^n \\ m_2^n \\ \vdots \\ m_q^n \end{pmatrix}$	$\mapsto$	$(m_1^n, m_1^{n-1}, \dots, m_1^{n-q+1})$
<i>Scheme:</i>	$(z\mathbf{Id}_q - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{m}^n = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{m}^{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{m}_1^n)$	$\mapsto$	$\begin{aligned} & \det(z\mathbf{Id}_q - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{m}_1^n \\ &= \mathbf{e}_1^\top \text{adj}(z\mathbf{Id}_q - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}\mathbf{m}^{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{m}_1^n) \end{aligned}$

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$$\det(z\mathbf{Id}_q - \mathbf{A})u_j^{n-1} = u_j^{n+1} + \frac{\omega-2}{2}(u_{j-1}^n + u_{j+1}^n) + (1-\omega)u_j^{n-1},$$
$$\mathbf{e}_1^T \mathbf{adj}(z\mathbf{Id}_q - \mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}m^{\text{eq}}(u_j^{n-1}) = \frac{\omega\Delta t}{2\Delta x}(\varphi(u_{j-1}^n) - \varphi(u_{j+1}^n)).$$

- First interpretation: a θ -scheme.
 - Over-relax. $1 \leq \omega \leq 2$, a $\theta = (2 - \omega)$ -scheme between Lax-Friedrichs and leap-frog.
 - Under-relax. $0 \leq \omega \leq 1$, a $\theta = \omega$ -scheme between Lax-Friedrichs and wave-leap-frog.
- Second interpretation: method-of-lines

$$\frac{u_j^{n+1} + (\omega - 2)u_j^n + (1 - \omega)u_j^{n-1}}{\omega\Delta t} = -\frac{1}{\Delta x}(F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^n - F_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n)$$

with $F_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^n = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi(u_j^n) + \varphi(u_{j+1}^n)) + \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} \frac{2-\omega}{\omega}(u_j^n - u_{j+1}^n).$

Curiosity: this flux when $\omega < 1$ combined with forward Euler for time-integration.

However, explicit formulas are of moderate interest when $q \gg 2$

Analyze LBM using FD (recycle), without computing the letter explicitly.

Convergence of scalar non-linear two-relaxation-times schemes on infinite domains

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We consider $q = 1 + 2W$, where $W \in \mathbb{N}^*$, with

$$\mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{c}_{2\ell} = -\mathbf{c}_{2\ell+1} \in \lambda \mathbb{Z}^d, \quad \ell \in \llbracket 1, W \rrbracket.$$

Denote $u_j^n = \sum_{i=1}^{i=q} f_{i,j}^n$.

Relaxation (briefly $f_{i,j}^{n,*} = \mathcal{R}_i(f_{1,j}^n, \dots, f_{q,j}^n)$):

$$f_{1,j}^{n,*} = (1 - \omega_s) f_{1,j}^n + \omega_s f_1^{\text{eq}}(u_j^n),$$

$$f_{2\ell,j}^{n,*} = (1 - \frac{1}{2}(\omega_s + \omega_a)) f_{2\ell,j}^n + \frac{1}{2}(\omega_s + \omega_a) f_{2\ell}^{\text{eq}}(u_j^n) - \frac{1}{2}(\omega_s - \omega_a)(f_{2\ell+1,j}^n - f_{2\ell+1}^{\text{eq}}(u_j^n)),$$

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Transport: $f_{i,j}^{n+1} = f_{i,j-\mathbf{c}_i/\lambda}^{n,*}$.

Consistency and interest of having $\omega_s \neq \omega_a$

The scheme is consistent under the constraints

$$\sum_{i=1}^q f_i^{\text{eq}}(u) = u, \quad \sum_{i=1}^q c_{i,k} f_i^{\text{eq}}(u) = \sum_{\ell=1}^W c_{2\ell,k} (f_{2\ell}^{\text{eq}}(u) - f_{2\ell+1}^{\text{eq}}(u)) = \varphi_k(u),$$

under which, the modified equation up to second-order reads

$$\underbrace{\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \sum_{k=1}^d \partial_{x_k} \varphi_k(u(t, \mathbf{x}))}_{(\text{target PDE})} = \underbrace{\frac{2\Delta x}{\lambda} \left(\frac{1}{\omega_a} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \times (\text{2nd-order diff. op.})}_{(\text{numerical diffusion})} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2).$$

Informally, on $0 < \omega_s, \omega_a \leq 2$:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min (\text{numerical diffusion})(\omega_a) & \text{with} \quad (\text{numerical diffusion})(\searrow), \\ \max \text{“(stability)”}(\omega_s, \omega_a) & \text{with} \quad \text{“(stability)”}(\searrow, \searrow). \end{array}$$

Antinomic if $\omega_s = \omega_a$.

Main result

We further assume that (see [Natalini, '98])

$$f_i^{\text{eq}}(u) = \mathcal{L}_i u + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{i,k} \varphi_k(u), \quad i \in \llbracket 1, q \rrbracket,$$

with the symmetry conditions $\mathcal{L}_{2\ell} = \mathcal{L}_{2\ell+1}$ and $\mathcal{N}_{2\ell,k} = -\mathcal{N}_{2\ell+1,k}$.

Theorem (Convergence to the weak entropy solution)

Define $u_\infty := \|u^\circ\|_{L^\infty}$. Assume that

$$(MC) \quad \begin{cases} \omega_s \mathcal{L}_1 \geq \max(0, \omega_s - 1), \\ \omega_a \max_{u \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty]} \underbrace{\left| \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{2\ell,k} \varphi'_k(u) \right|}_{\approx \text{Courant number}} \leq \omega_s \mathcal{L}_{2\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \min(2 - \omega_s - \omega_a, 0, \omega_a - \omega_s). \end{cases}$$

Up to extract, there exists $\bar{f}$ such that $\bar{f}(t, \cdot) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ (plus other properties) such that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \|\mathbf{f}_{\Delta p} - \bar{f}\|_{L_t^\infty([0, T]) L_x^1} = 0,$$

and, setting $\bar{u} := \sum_{i=1}^{i=q} \bar{f}_i$, then $\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \|u_{\Delta p} - \bar{u}\|_{L_t^\infty([0, T]) L_x^1} = 0$. Moreover, $\bar{f}(t, \mathbf{x}) = f^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x}))$ a.e. in $\mathbf{x}$. Finally, $\bar{u}$ is a the weak entropy solution of the PDE.

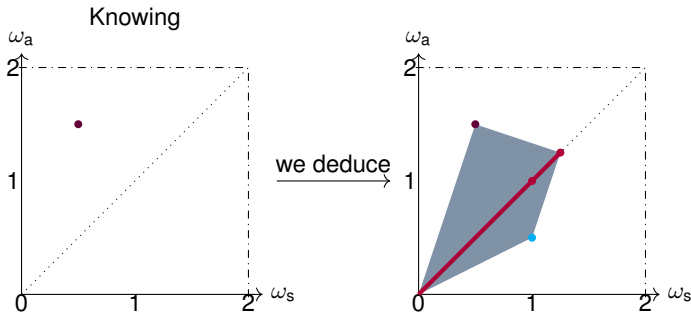
Steps of the proof

We remind that a time-step of the schemes reads $f_{i,j}^{n+1} = \mathcal{R}_i(f_{1,j-c_i/\lambda}^n, \dots, f_{q,j-c_i/\lambda}^n)$.

- 1 Request that $\mathcal{R}_i(\nearrow, \dots, \nearrow)$ for all $i \in \llbracket 1, q \rrbracket$: we find (MC).
- 2 The scheme preserves invariant (compact) sets (proof: mean-value theorem)

$$f_{i,j}^n \in [f_i^{\text{eq}}(-u_\infty), f_i^{\text{eq}}(u_\infty)], \quad \text{and} \quad u_j^n = \sum_{i=1}^q f_{i,j}^n \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty].$$

- 3 Equilibria are monotone functions (proof by contradiction): $d_u f_i^{\text{eq}}(u) \geq 0$ for $u \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty]$, and other rigidity results on (ω_s, ω_a) fulfilling (MC).



- 4 ℓ^1 contractivity (proof: mean-value theorem and triangle inequality):

$$\sum_{i=1}^q |\mathcal{R}_i(\mathbf{g}_1, \dots, \mathbf{g}_q) - \mathcal{R}_i(\mathbf{f}_1, \dots, \mathbf{f}_q)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^q |\mathbf{g}_i - \mathbf{f}_i|,$$

hence L^1 contractivity with $\|\mathbf{u}^\circ\|_{L^\infty} \leq u_\infty$, $\|\mathbf{v}^\circ\|_{L^\infty} \leq u_\infty$:

$$\|\mathbf{g}_\Delta^{n+1} - \mathbf{f}_\Delta^{n+1}\|_{L^1} \leq \|\mathbf{g}_\Delta^n - \mathbf{f}_\Delta^n\|_{L^1} \leq \|\mathbf{v}^\circ - \mathbf{u}^\circ\|_{L^1},$$

and equicontinuity

$$\|\mathbf{f}_\Delta(\tilde{t}, \cdot) - \mathbf{f}_\Delta(t, \cdot)\|_{L^1} \leq \lambda C(\tilde{t} - t + \Delta t) \text{TV}(\mathbf{u}^\circ).$$

and total variation estimates:

$$\text{TV}(\mathbf{f}_\Delta^{n+1}) \leq \text{TV}(\mathbf{f}_\Delta^n) \leq \dots \leq \text{TV}(\mathbf{f}_\Delta^0) \leq \text{TV}(\mathbf{u}^\circ),$$

- 5 Convergence to equilibrium:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{f}_\Delta^n - \mathbf{f}^{\text{eq}}(u_\Delta^n)\|_{L^1} &\leq C \Delta x \text{TV}(\mathbf{u}^\circ) \frac{\max(|1 - \omega_s|, |1 - \omega_a|)^n - 1}{\max(|1 - \omega_s|, |1 - \omega_a|) - 1} \\ &\leq \frac{C}{1 - \max(|1 - \omega_s|, |1 - \omega_a|)} \Delta x \text{TV}(\mathbf{u}^\circ). \end{aligned}$$

All the previous result ensure, upon extracting, there exists $\bar{\mathbf{f}}$ such that $\bar{\mathbf{f}}(t, \cdot) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \|\mathbf{f}_{\Delta_p} - \bar{\mathbf{f}}\|_{L_t^\infty([0, T])L_x^1} = 0.$$

Upon extracting again, we know that L_x^1 -convergence implies point-wise convergence a.e., thus $\bar{f}_i(t, \mathbf{x}) \in [f_i^{\text{eq}}(-u_\infty), f_i^{\text{eq}}(u_\infty)]$, thus $\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x}) \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty]$, a.e. in $\mathbf{x}$.

By the convergence to equilibrium, we deduce that $\bar{\mathbf{f}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x}))$ a.e. in $\mathbf{x}$.

Consistency with the weak form of the PDE

$$\Delta t \Delta x^d \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n}{\Delta t} \psi_j^n = \Delta t \Delta x^d \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^q \mathcal{R}_i(f_{1,j-\mathbf{c}_i/\lambda}^n, \dots) - u_j^n}{\Delta t} \psi_j^n.$$

By standard summations-by-parts:

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{\int_{\Delta t}^{+\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x}) \frac{\psi_{\Delta}(t - \Delta t, \mathbf{x}) - \psi_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x})}{\Delta t} d\mathbf{x} dt}^{\rightarrow - \int \bar{u} \partial_t \psi} - \overbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_{\Delta}(0, \mathbf{x}) \psi_{\Delta}(0, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}}^{\rightarrow \int u^{\circ} \psi(t=0)} \\ &= \underbrace{\int_0^{+\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\sum_{i=1}^q \mathcal{R}_i(\mathbf{f}_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x})) \psi_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x} + \Delta x \mathbf{c}_i / \lambda) - u_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x}) \psi_{\Delta}(t, \mathbf{x}) \right) d\mathbf{x} dt}_{F}. \end{aligned}$$

For the flux term:

$$\begin{aligned} F &\rightarrow \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{k=1}^d \sum_{\ell=1}^W c_{2\ell,k} (f_{2\ell}^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x})) - f_{2\ell+1}^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x}))) \partial_{x_k} \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{k=1}^d \varphi_k(\bar{u}(t, \mathbf{x})) \partial_{x_k} \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt, \end{aligned}$$

Entropy inequalities

We utilize Krushkov kinetic entropies, see [Natalini, '98]: $s_i(f_i) := |f_i - f_i^{\text{eq}}(\kappa)|$, for $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$.

The discrete entropy inequality (on post-relaxation quantities [Caetano, Graille, Dubois, '24]), using the ℓ^1 contractivity of the relaxation is

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^q s_i(f_{i,j}^{n+1,*}) - \sum_{i=1}^q s_i(f_{i,j}^{n,*})}{\Delta t} \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^q s_i(f_{i,j-c_i/\lambda}^{n,*}) - \sum_{i=1}^q s_i(f_{i,j}^{n,*})}{\Delta t}.$$

Things go well since we have proved that under (MC), equilibria are monotone and thus

$$\sum_{i=1}^q s_i(f_{\Delta,i}) \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^q |f_i^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}) - f_i^{\text{eq}}(\kappa)| = |\bar{u} - \kappa| \quad (\text{Krushkov entropy})$$

since we converge almost everywhere to the equilibrium. This rules the left-hand side of the weak entropy inequality in the limit.

The right-hand side is treated analogously.

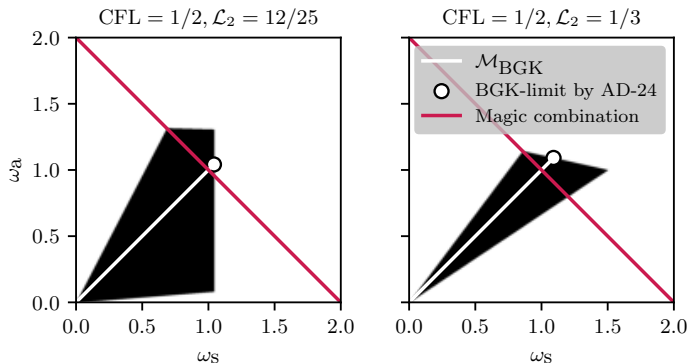
Numerical experiments

Take $d = 1$, $W = 1$, and $c_2 = \lambda$. By the consistency constraints

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = 1 - 2\mathcal{L}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{N}_2 = \frac{1}{2\lambda},$$

leaving $\mathcal{L}_2$ as a free parameter.

We take $\text{CFL} := \frac{1}{\lambda} \max_{u \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty]} |\varphi'(u)| = \frac{1}{2}$. We use a Burgers flux $\varphi(u) = u^2/2$ and use initial data within the interval $[0, 1]$. The numerical simulations are conducted on the domain $[-1, 1]$, equipped with periodic boundary conditions, until final time $T = \frac{1}{4}$.



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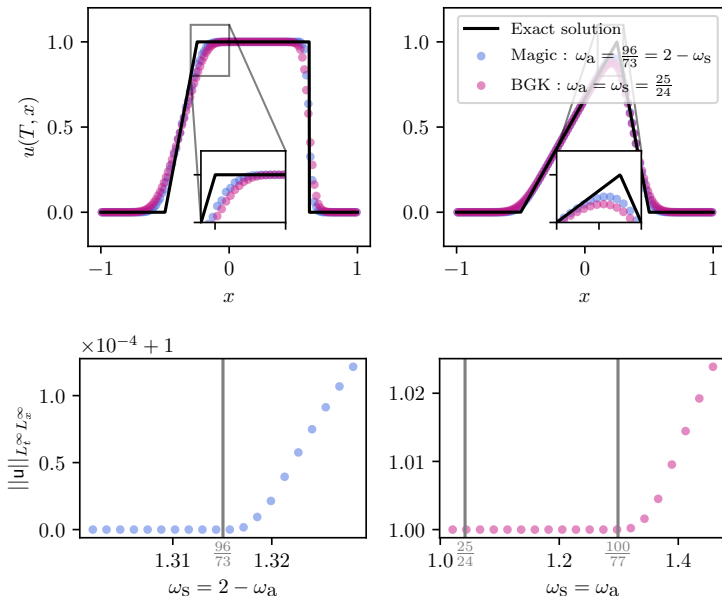


Table: Errors and orders of convergence under magic combination ($\omega_s + \omega_a = 2$).

Δx	$\omega_a = 1$		$\omega_a = \frac{169}{146}$		$\omega_a = \frac{96}{73}$		$\omega_a = \frac{3}{2}$		$\omega_a = \frac{199}{100}$		$\omega_a = 2$	
	Error	Ord.	Error	Ord.	Error	Ord.	Error	Ord.	Error	Ord.	Error	Ord.
Indicator function initial datum: $u^0(x) = \mathbb{1}_{[0,1/2]}(x)$												
3.13E-02	1.49E-01		1.28E-01		1.10E-01		9.23E-02		1.36E-01		1.41E-01	
1.56E-02	9.26E-02	0.69	7.68E-02	0.73	6.37E-02	0.79	5.12E-02	0.85	9.87E-02	0.46	1.12E-01	0.36
7.81E-03	5.55E-02	0.74	4.50E-02	0.77	3.65E-02	0.81	2.85E-02	0.85	9.31E-02	0.08	1.23E-01	-0.13
3.91E-03	3.22E-02	0.78	2.59E-02	0.80	2.07E-02	0.82	1.59E-02	0.85	6.99E-02	0.42	1.14E-01	0.10
1.95E-03	1.84E-02	0.81	1.47E-02	0.82	1.16E-02	0.83	8.77E-03	0.85	4.24E-02	0.72	1.08E-01	0.08
9.77E-04	1.04E-02	0.83	8.21E-03	0.84	6.46E-03	0.85	4.81E-03	0.87	2.24E-02	0.92	1.06E-01	0.03
4.88E-04	5.80E-03	0.84	4.55E-03	0.85	3.56E-03	0.86	2.62E-03	0.88	1.12E-02	1.00	1.02E-01	0.06
2.44E-04	3.21E-03	0.86	2.50E-03	0.86	1.94E-03	0.87	1.41E-03	0.89	5.69E-03	0.98	1.01E-01	0.02
1.22E-04	1.76E-03	0.87	1.37E-03	0.88	1.05E-03	0.88	7.60E-04	0.90	2.86E-03	0.99	9.92E-02	0.02
6.10E-05	9.57E-04	0.88	7.39E-04	0.89	5.67E-04	0.89	4.06E-04	0.90	1.43E-03	1.00	9.87E-02	0.01
Hat function initial datum: $u^0(x) = (1 - 2 x)\mathbb{1}_{[0,1/2]}(x)$												
3.13E-02	5.98E-02		4.53E-02		3.38E-02		2.28E-02		8.48E-03		8.66E-03	
1.56E-02	3.12E-02	0.94	2.32E-02	0.97	1.70E-02	1.00	1.12E-02	1.03	3.19E-03	1.41	3.28E-03	1.40
7.81E-03	1.59E-02	0.97	1.18E-02	0.98	8.51E-03	1.00	5.53E-03	1.01	1.21E-03	1.39	1.29E-03	1.35
3.91E-03	8.08E-03	0.98	5.92E-03	0.99	4.27E-03	1.00	2.75E-03	1.01	4.66E-04	1.38	5.12E-04	1.33
1.95E-03	4.07E-03	0.99	2.98E-03	0.99	2.14E-03	1.00	1.38E-03	1.00	1.80E-04	1.38	2.05E-04	1.32
9.77E-04	2.05E-03	0.99	1.49E-03	1.00	1.07E-03	1.00	6.87E-04	1.00	7.15E-05	1.33	8.31E-05	1.30
4.88E-04	1.03E-03	1.00	7.48E-04	1.00	5.36E-04	1.00	3.43E-04	1.00	2.84E-05	1.33	3.37E-05	1.30
2.44E-04	5.14E-04	1.00	3.74E-04	1.00	2.68E-04	1.00	1.72E-04	1.00	1.13E-05	1.33	1.37E-05	1.30
1.22E-04	2.57E-04	1.00	1.87E-04	1.00	1.34E-04	1.00	8.58E-05	1.00	4.53E-06	1.32	5.54E-06	1.30
6.10E-05	1.29E-04	1.00	9.37E-05	1.00	6.70E-05	1.00	4.29E-05	1.00	1.83E-06	1.31	2.25E-06	1.30

Convergence of scalar non-linear two-relaxation-times schemes with equilibrium boundary conditions

[Aregba-Driollet, B., *arXiv:2505.17535 ('25)*]. Multi-dimensional, but I illustrate in 1D.
The approach also works for system (not the proof)

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u(t, x) + \partial_x(\varphi(u(t, x))) &= 0, & (t, x) &\in (0, T) \times (0, 1), \\ u(0, x) &= u^\circ(x), & x &\in (0, 1), \\ u(t, x=0) &= \tilde{u}_\bullet(t), & t &\in (0, T), \\ u(t, x=1) &= \tilde{u}_\bullet(t), & t &\in (0, T). \end{aligned}$$

Definition of weak entropy solution by [Bardos, Leroux & Nédélec, '79]: for any $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ and any smooth $\psi \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^T \int_0^1 |u(t, x) - \kappa| + \operatorname{sgn}(u(t, x) - \kappa)((\varphi(u(t, x))) - \varphi(\kappa)) \partial_x \psi(t, x) dt \\ &+ \int_0^T \operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{u}_\bullet(t) - \kappa)(\varphi(\gamma_\bullet(u)(t)) - \varphi(\kappa)) \psi(t, 0) dt \\ &- \int_0^T \operatorname{sgn}(\tilde{u}_\bullet(t) - \kappa)(\varphi(\gamma_\bullet(u)(t)) - \varphi(\kappa)) \psi(t, 1) dt + \int_0^1 |u^\circ(x) - \kappa| \psi(0, x) dx \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Numerical scheme(s) and main result

Same as the previous point. For the boundary condition, for exemple

$$f_{i,-1}^{n,*} = f_i^{\text{eq}}(\tilde{u}_0^n), \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{u}_0^n = \oint_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} \tilde{u}_0(t) dt$$

Theorem (Convergence to the weak entropy solution)

Define $u_\infty := \max(\|u^0\|_{L^\infty}, \|\tilde{u}_0\|_{L^\infty}, \|\tilde{u}_0\|_{L^\infty})$. Assume that

$$(MC) \quad \begin{cases} \omega_s \mathcal{L}_1 \geq \max(0, \omega_s - 1), \\ \omega_a \underbrace{\max_{u \in [-u_\infty, u_\infty]} |\mathcal{N}_{2\ell} \varphi'(u)|}_{\approx \text{Courant number}} \leq \omega_s \mathcal{L}_{2\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \min(2 - \omega_s - \omega_a, 0, \omega_a - \omega_s). \end{cases}$$

Up to extract, there exists $\bar{\mathbf{f}}$ such that $\bar{\mathbf{f}}(t, \cdot) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ (plus other properties) such that

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \|\mathbf{f}_{\Delta p} - \bar{\mathbf{f}}\|_{L_t^\infty(0,T) L_x^1(0,1)} = 0,$$

and, setting $\bar{u} := \sum_{i=1}^{i=q} \bar{f}_i$, then $\lim_{p \rightarrow +\infty} \|u_{\Delta p} - \bar{u}\|_{L_t^\infty(0,T) L_x^1(0,1)} = 0$. Moreover, $\bar{\mathbf{f}}(t, x) = \mathbf{f}^{\text{eq}}(\bar{u}(t, x))$ a.e. in x . Finally, $\bar{u}$ is a the weak entropy solution of the PDE.

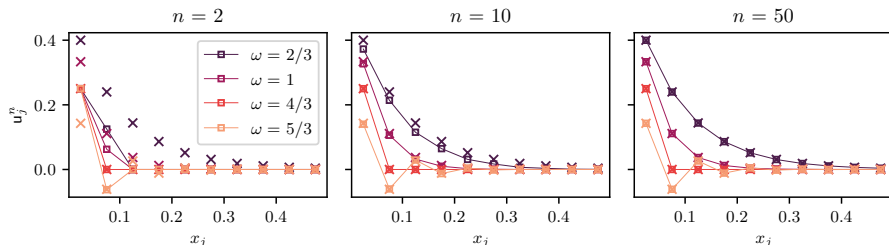
Numerical experiments

Two-velocities scheme solving, for $V < 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u(t, x) + V \partial_x u(t, x) &= 0, & (t, x) &\in (0, \tfrac{1}{2}) \times (0, 1), \\ u(0, x) &= 0, & x &\in (0, 1), \\ u(t, 1) = \tilde{u}_\bullet(t) &= 0, & t &\in (0, \tfrac{1}{2}). \end{aligned}$$

On the left, we enforce the equilibrium corresponding to a constant $\tilde{u}_\bullet^n = \tilde{u}_\bullet = 1$. The boundary layer (only for $\omega < 2$) can be described for n large enough:

$$u_j^n \approx \begin{cases} \tilde{u}_\bullet \frac{(2-\omega)(1+V/\lambda)}{2-\omega(1+V/\lambda)} \left(\frac{2-\omega+\omega V/\lambda}{2-\omega-\omega V/\lambda} \right)^j, & \text{if } \omega \neq \frac{2}{1-V/\lambda}, \\ \tilde{u}_\bullet \frac{1+V/\lambda}{2} \delta_{j0}, & \text{if } \omega = \frac{2}{1-V/\lambda}. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$



Two-velocities scheme solving

$$\partial_t u(t, x) + \partial_x \left(\frac{1}{2} u(t, x)^2 \right) = 0,$$

$$u(0, x) = u^\circ(x) = -\mathbb{1}_{(1/5, 1/2)}(x),$$

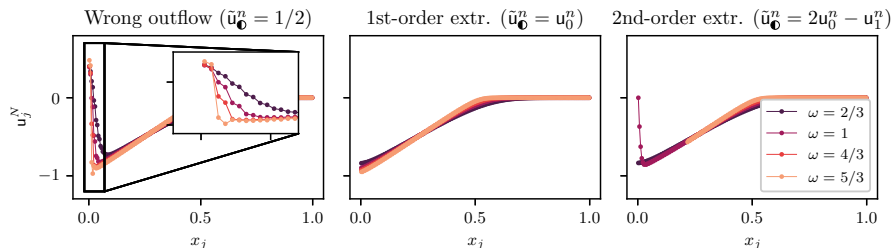
$$u(t, 1) = \tilde{u}_\bullet(t) = 0,$$

$$(t, x) \in (0, \tfrac{1}{2}) \times (0, 1),$$

$$x \in (0, 1),$$

$$t \in (0, \tfrac{1}{2}).$$

We propose a simulation with 200 cells, using $\lambda = 2$.



Numerical experiments

$$\partial_t u(t, x) + \partial_x \left(\frac{1}{3} u(t, x)^3 \right) = 0,$$

$$u(0, x) = u^\circ(x) = 0,$$

$$u(t, 0) = \tilde{u}_\bullet(t) = \sin(6t),$$

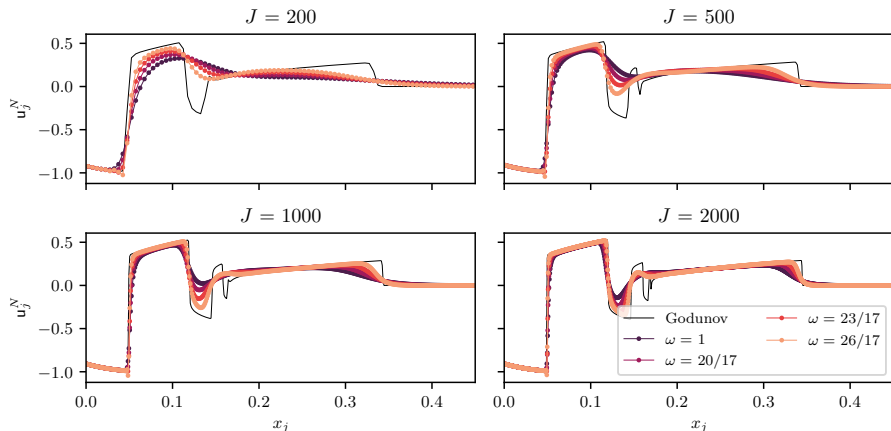
$$u(t, 1) = \tilde{u}_\bullet(t) = 0,$$

$$(t, x) \in (0, 4) \times (0, 1),$$

$$x \in (0, 1),$$

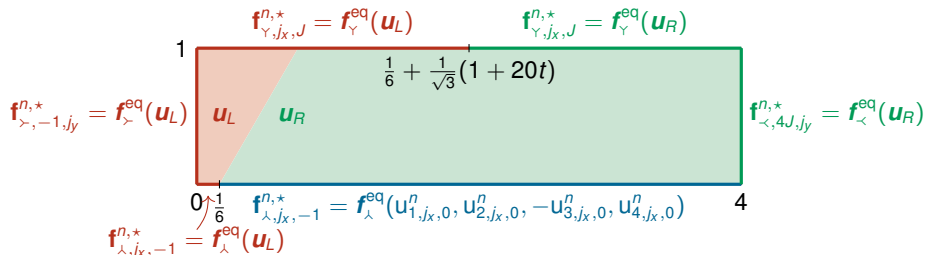
$$t \in (0, 4),$$

$$t \in (0, 4).$$



Numerical experiments

Full Euler system. Double Mach 10 reflection [Woodward & Colella, '84]. Blended scheme by [Wissocq *et al.*, '24]



2nd order blended LBM - 480x120 gridpoints



Conclusions and perspectives

What has been done

Convergence for non-linear scalar two-relaxation-times schemes without boundary and with equilibrium boundary conditions.

These boundary conditions work well outside the range of applicability of the theorem (non-monotone schemes and systems).

What still has to be done

- Understand why things work even when negative coefficients are present.
- *Systems* of conservation laws.
- Stability of more general boundary conditions (even just linear): ongoing.

Thank you for you attention!