

A Maximum-Principle-Preserving Third Order Finite Volume SWENO Scheme on Unstructured Triangular Meshes

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Abstract. We modify the construction of the third order finite volume WENO scheme on triangular meshes and present a simplified WENO (SWENO) scheme. The novelty of the SWENO scheme is the less complexity and lower computational cost when deciding the smoothest stencil through a simple mechanism. The LU decomposition with iterative refinement is adopted to implement ill-conditioned interpolation matrices and improves the stability of the SWENO scheme efficiently. Besides, a scaling technique is used to circumvent the growth of condition numbers as mesh refined. However, weak oscillations still appear when the SWENO scheme deals with complex low density equations. In order to guarantee the maximum-principle-preserving (MPP) property, we apply a scaling limiter to the reconstruction polynomial without the loss of accuracy. A novel procedure is designed to prove this property theoretically. Finally, numerical examples for one- and two-dimensional problems are presented to verify the good performance, maximum principle preserving, essentially non-oscillation and high resolution of the proposed scheme.

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1 Introduction

We consider the two-dimensional scalar conservation law

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial g(u)}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (1.1)$$

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subject to the initial condition $u(x, y, 0) = u_0(x, y)$. WENO schemes are high order numerical methods for solving PDEs which may contain discontinuities, sharp gradient regions and other complex solution structures. The main idea of WENO schemes is to form a weighted combination of several local reconstructions based on different stencils and use it as the final WENO reconstruction. Thus WENO schemes have the ability to achieve high order accuracy in smooth regions while maintaining sharp and essentially monotone shock transitions.

Abgrall first recalled and improved the results of an earlier literature about non-oscillatory reconstruction on unstructured meshes in literature [1]. Later Hu and Shu [2] constructed high order weighted essentially non-oscillatory schemes on unstructured triangular meshes in the finite volume formulation. They presented third order schemes using a combination of linear polynomials and fourth order schemes using a combination of quadratic polynomials. However, oscillations would arise when strong discontinuities are included in the solution. In 2005, Haslbacher proposed a weighted essentially non-oscillatory (WENO) reconstruction algorithm. The stencils are fixed to reduce a high computational cost typically associated with the WENO scheme [3]. For accurate simulations of high Mach number aerodynamic flows with strong discontinuities, Wolf and Azevedo described the implementation and analysis of the high order ENO and WENO schemes applied to high speed flows on unstructured grids in [4]. The advantage of the method is that the reconstruction stencils can be composed by control volumes with any number of edges, e.g., triangles, quadrilaterals and hybrid meshes. Singular unstructured meshes always lead to ill-conditioned coefficient matrices. Therefore, a robust WENO reconstruction procedure was designed to deal with distorted local mesh geometries or degenerate cases when the mesh quality varies for complex domain geometry [5]. Besides, a new family of ENO schemes were derived via Taylor series expansion and solved using a weighted least squares formulation [6], which did not require constructing sub-stencils. Thus it provides a more flexible framework and less sensitivity to the mesh.

There are two types of finite volume WENO schemes on unstructured meshes in the literature above mentioned. The first type consists of WENO schemes whose orders are not higher than that of the reconstruction on each small stencil, such as [6,7]. For this type, the non-linear weights do not contribute to the increase of the order but to the nonlinear stability purely, or to avoid spurious oscillations. The second type consists of WENO schemes whose order is higher than that of the reconstruction on each small stencil, such as [2, 8]. They are more complex than the former that only need to choose the linear weights as arbitrary positive numbers for the better linear stability. In this paper, we focus on the finite volume WENO scheme on unstructured triangular meshes [9] belonging to the first type. The simple strategy of the stencil construction can achieve the third order accuracy using less cells but higher resolution than other WENO schemes on triangular meshes [6,11]. A crucial step in building this scheme is to compute interpolation matrices. However, traditional solvers for linear systems are prone to collapse for ill-conditioned matrices, such as the LU decomposition, the Jacobi iterative method and the Gauss-Seidel

method. We effectively improve the accuracy of the solution using a solver with iterative refinement. Besides, a scaling technique is used to circumvent the bad condition number due to mesh refinement.

The solution to the scalar conservation law (1.1) which has the MPP property indicates that, if the initial condition is bounded $m \leq u_0 \leq M$, then $m \leq u(x, y, t) \leq M$ for all the future times $t > 0$. As the components of the solutions to the compressible Euler system, both densities and pressures must be positive in each situation. The failure of preserving positivity of density or pressure may cause blow-ups, for instance, the low density problems of blast wave and low pressure problems in computing high Mach number astrophysical jets [12]. However, the SWENO scheme can not retain the MPP/PP property. Several methods have been adopted to handle such problems. A parameterized flux limiter was generalized to finite volume WENO schemes on unstructured meshes without excessively restricting the CFL condition [13]. Based on the main ideas of MPP/PP high order schemes, Zhang and Shu presented a simple implementation which result in a significant reduction of computational cost especially for WENO finite volume schemes [10]. Then they extended a scaling limiter to a general framework of constructing arbitrarily high order accurate maximum-principle-satisfying schemes for two-dimensional scalar conservation laws on triangular meshes [11]. Our main objective is to design a scaling limiter for the SWENO scheme to satisfy the strict maximum principles for the scalar conservation laws in two dimensions. Other works considering the MPP/PP property have been presented in [14].

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 emphasizes on the construction of the SWENO finite volume scheme for the scalar conservation law in two dimensions. The LU decomposition with iterative refinement and the scaling technique are introduced in detail. In Section 3, a special quadrature rule over a triangle is presented for decomposing the cell average into a convex combination of the point values of the approximation polynomial. Then we introduce a scaling limiter and prove that the scaling limiter does not damage the accuracy by using a technique simpler than the work in [10, 11]. At last, some important manipulation details are also described. In Section 4, the proposed scheme is tested for some very demanding numerical problems. Concluding remarks are given in Section 5.

2 SWENO reconstruction on triangular meshes

2.1 The finite volume formulation on triangular meshes

In this section, we consider the two-dimensional scalar conservation law (1.1) using the finite volume formulation. Taking the triangle as control volume, we formulate the semi-discrete finite volume scheme of Eq. (1.1) as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{u}_T(t) + \frac{1}{|T|} \int_{\partial T} F \cdot \vec{n} ds = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

where $\bar{u}_T(t) = \frac{1}{|T|} \int_{\partial T} u ds$ stands for the cell average on the cell T , $F = (f, g)$ and \vec{n} is the outward unit normal vector of the triangle boundary ∂T , $|T|$ is the area of T .

The line integral in Eq. (2.1) is discretized by a q -point Gaussian integration formula,

$$\int_{\partial T} F \cdot \vec{n} ds \approx \sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| \sum_{\beta=1}^q w_{\beta} F(u(G_{\beta}^k)) \cdot \vec{n}_k, \quad (2.2)$$

where $|\partial T_k|$ is the length of the k -th side of T , G_j^k and w_j are the Gaussian quadrature points and weights respectively, and $F(u(G_j^k)) \cdot \vec{n}_k$ is approximated by a numerical flux. We apply the Lax–Friedrichs flux in all our numerical experiments, which is given by

$$h(u^-, u^+, \vec{n}) = \frac{1}{2} [(F(u^-) + F(u^+)) \cdot \vec{n} - a(u^+ - u^-)], \quad (2.3)$$

where a is taken as an upper bound for the magnitude of the eigenvalues of the Jacobian in the \vec{n}_k direction, u^- and u^+ are the values of u inside the triangle and outside the triangle (inside the neighboring triangle) at the Gaussian points.

Considering that we construct a third order accuracy finite volume scheme, the two-point Gaussian integration formula is used. For the edge with the endpoints P_1 and P_2 , the Gaussian quadrature points are $G_1 = cP_1 + (1-c)P_2$ and $G_2 = (1-c)P_1 + cP_2$, where $c = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and the Gaussian quadrature weights are $w_1 = w_2 = \frac{1}{2}$.

2.2 Reconstruction of quadratic polynomials

The key procedure for the SWENO scheme is to build a high order WENO reconstruction for the point values at the Gaussian quadrature points. For the construction of a n -th order polynomial, one must use $N(n) = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$ cells or more. So every third order stencil should include at least 6 cells. Let the averaged value of each variable be given on every triangle; we will make use of these current conditions to construct a weighted quadratic polynomial on every cell. At first we select the smoothest second order stencil for each cell. Based on the second order stencil, we determine the cells required by constructing quadratic polynomials. The construction process is as follows:

In Fig. 1, T_1 is the center cell of the mesh. To construct a second order stencil including three cells, we can choose any two cells from T_2 , T_3 and T_4 . So three second order stencils can be obtained. Next we choose the smoothest one according to the magnitude of ID_{ij} computed by

$$ID_{ij} = \frac{|\bar{u}_{T_1} - \bar{u}_{T_i}|}{|T_i|} + \frac{|\bar{u}_{T_1} - \bar{u}_{T_j}|}{|T_j|}, \quad i \neq j; \quad i, j = 2, 3, 4. \quad (2.4)$$

However, the similar step is executed in [9] by constructing linear polynomials

$$p_k^1(x, y) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 y, \quad k = 1, 2, 3,$$

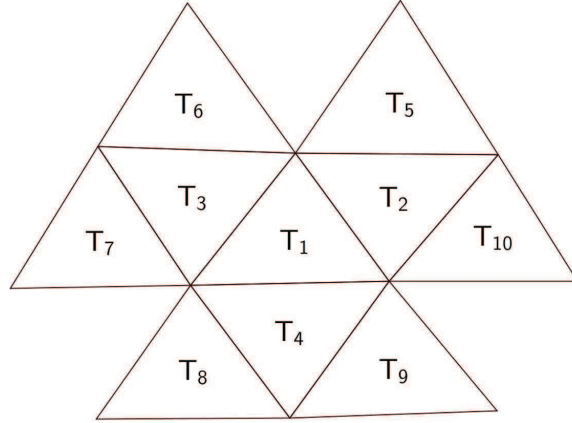


Figure 1: A typical mesh.

under the constraints

$$\frac{1}{|T_i|} \int_{T_i} p_k^1(x, y) = \bar{u}_{T_i}.$$

Then let ID_{ij} be equal to $|a_1| + |a_2|$. For every cell in each time stage, we need to solve three linear systems, which cause a huge computational cost.

For convenience, we assume that the second order stencil $\{T_1, T_2, T_3\}$ is the smoothest. To construct a quadratic polynomial on the cell T_1 , three additional cells in the neighborhood of the cell T_1 are required. Since T_5, T_{10} and T_6, T_7 have common edges with T_2 and T_3 respectively, T_4 has a common edge with T_1 . T_8, T_9 which are close to T_4 may become steeper than T_5, T_{10}, T_6 and T_7 . Add T_4 and any two cells from T_5, T_6, T_7, T_{10} to the second order stencil consisting of T_1, T_2, T_3 . Thus we can obtain 6 composed stencils S_k ($k=1, 2, \dots, 6$) with 6 quadratic polynomials as following:

$$\begin{aligned} p_1^2(x, y) : S_1 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_5, T_6\}, & p_2^2(x, y) : S_2 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_5, T_7\}, \\ p_3^2(x, y) : S_3 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_5, T_{10}\}, & p_4^2(x, y) : S_4 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_6, T_7\}, \\ p_5^2(x, y) : S_5 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_6, T_{10}\}, & p_6^2(x, y) : S_6 &= \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4, T_7, T_{10}\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $p_k^2(x, y)$, $k=1, 2, \dots, 6$, are quadratic polynomials under the constraints

$$\langle p_k^2(x, y) \rangle_{T_i} := \frac{1}{|T_i|} \int_{T_i} p_k^2(x, y) = \bar{u}_{T_i}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, 6. \quad (2.5)$$

Denote the smoothness of $p_k^2(x, y)$ as IS_k , which is the summation of all square values of average difference between every two cells with a common edge in the stencil [9]. If u is smooth on the stencil S_k , $IS_k = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$ (h is the maximum radius of the circumcircle of the cells); if u is discontinuous on the stencil S_k , then $IS_k = \mathcal{O}(1)$.

Let

$$\beta_k = \frac{\alpha_k}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i}, \quad \alpha_k = \frac{1}{(\epsilon + IS_k)^2}, \quad (2.6)$$

where ϵ is a positive real number which prevents the denominator from becoming zero (In our numerical tests, ϵ is taken as 10^{-5}).

Thus we gain the final weighted quadratic polynomial

$$p_{T_1}^2(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^6 \beta_k \cdot p_k^2(x, y). \quad (2.7)$$

In smooth regions,

$$\beta_k = \frac{\alpha_k}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i} = \mathcal{O}(1).$$

We observe that the interpolating polynomials contribute to the weighted quadratic polynomial. While in discontinuous regions,

$$\beta_k = \frac{\alpha_k}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i} = \frac{\frac{1}{(\epsilon + \mathcal{O}(1))^2}}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i} = \frac{\mathcal{O}(1)}{\sum_{i=1}^6 \alpha_i} \leq \max(\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), (h^4)),$$

which hardly contribute to the weighted quadratic polynomial.

2.3 Efficient implementation of ill-conditioned interpolation matrix

Give a standard representation of $p_T^2(x, y)$:

$$p_T^2(x, y) = \sum_{l=0}^2 \sum_{k+j=l} a_{kj} x^k y^j. \quad (2.8)$$

Let all Eq. (2.5) except for the case $i = 1$ minus the first equation, then the linear system for the reconstruction polynomial can be written in a compact form:

$$BA = \bar{U},$$

where

$$B := \begin{bmatrix} \langle x^k y^j \rangle_{T_i} - \langle x^k y^j \rangle_{T_1} \\ \vdots \\ \langle x \rangle_{T_6} - \langle x \rangle_{T_1} \quad \langle y \rangle_{T_6} - \langle y \rangle_{T_1} \quad \cdots \quad \langle y^2 \rangle_{T_6} - \langle y^2 \rangle_{T_1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad k+j=l, \quad 1 \leq l \leq 2, \quad i=2, \dots, 6,$$

is a 5×5 interpolation matrix and

$$A := [a_{10}, a_{01}, a_{11}, a_{20}, a_{02}]^T,$$

$$\tilde{U} := [\bar{u}_{T_2} - \bar{u}_{T_1}, \bar{u}_{T_3} - \bar{u}_{T_1}, \bar{u}_{T_4} - \bar{u}_{T_1}, \bar{u}_{T_5} - \bar{u}_{T_1}, \bar{u}_{T_6} - \bar{u}_{T_1}]^T.$$

It is a mathematically uniquely solvable problem to compute A if S is an admissible stencil, but in practice one encounters two serious difficulties:

- The integral operation of matrix entries are trivial and expensive.
- The matrix B may have a bad condition number, which disturbs the accuracy and stability.

For the first problem, the elements of the matrix B need to be computed once and stored for later use. Using the formula (2.8), we calculate the integrals

$$\langle x^k y^j \rangle_T, \quad k+j=l, \quad 0 \leq l \leq 2,$$

and store them for each cell T , these wouldn't request too much memory.

For the second problem, there are two possible reasons leading to a bad condition number of B : first, the condition number grows like h^{-n} when computational meshes are refined [1]; second, the geometric behaviors of the components in the stencil S_k can influence the condition number of B .

The first reason can be circumvented by replacing the representation of the polynomial $p_k^2(x, y)$ by barycentric coordinates [1]. Here we introduce a simpler technique to obtain a condition number independent from h . Define a local scaling factor

$$s := \frac{1}{\sqrt{|T|}},$$

which approximates $1/h$ and changes the standard representation (2.8) into

$$p_T^2(x, y) = \sum_{l=0}^2 \sum_{k+j=l} s^l \tilde{a}_{kj} x^k y^j,$$

the interpolation matrix B becomes

$$\tilde{B} := \left[s^l \langle x^k y^j \rangle_{T_i} - s^l \langle x^k y^j \rangle_{T_1} \right], \quad k+j=l, \quad 0 \leq l \leq 2, \quad i=2, \dots, 6,$$

we get the standard representation (2.8) easily from $A = (s\tilde{a}_{10}, s\tilde{a}_{01}, s^2\tilde{a}_{11}, s^2\tilde{a}_{20}, s^2\tilde{a}_{02})^T$, more details refer to [7].

The second reason cannot be circumvented easily. We adopt the LU decomposition with iterative refinement [15] to improve the solutions of ill-conditioned linear systems. The flowchart is as follows:

Step 1 Execute an LU decomposition (Doolittles method) of \tilde{B}^T with partial pivoting:

$$P\tilde{B}^T \approx U^T L^T,$$

then we solve

$$LUPA = \tilde{U}$$

and obtain

$$\tilde{A} \approx P^T U^{-1} L^{-1} \tilde{U}.$$

Step 2 Calculate the residual

$$r_k = \tilde{U} - \tilde{B}\tilde{A}_k, \quad (2.9)$$

and solve

$$\tilde{B}x = r_k, \quad (2.10)$$

using the LU decomposition obtained at Step 1.

Let x_k be an approximate solution of Eq. (2.10). Then we update \tilde{A}_k by

$$\tilde{A}_{k+1} = \tilde{A}_k + x_k.$$

Repeat the process until the following conditions are satisfied:

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$$\frac{\|\tilde{A}_{k+1} - \tilde{A}_k\|}{\|\tilde{A}_{k+1}\|} < \epsilon.$$

Generally, ϵ is taken from $10^{-8} \sim 10^{-13}$.

• The number of iterations reaches k_{\max} , then one has to skip this stencil.

The solution obtained via this method is normally more accurate than one by pure floating-point arithmetic in the working precision, though it depends on the matrix.

2.4 Temporal discretization

The semi-discrete Eq. (2.1) is a system of ODEs. Let the time step size be Δt . We use the third order TVD Runge–Kutta method (also referred to as the strong stability preserving (SSP) third order time discretization) of Shu and Osher [16] to achieve the same accuracy order in both time and space direction. The method is given as

$$\begin{aligned} u_T^{(1)} &= u_T^n + \Delta t F(u_T^n), \\ u_T^{(2)} &= \frac{3}{4}u_T^n + \frac{1}{4}(u_T^{(1)} + \Delta t F(u_T^{(1)})), \\ u_T^{n+1} &= \frac{1}{3}u_T^n + \frac{2}{3}(u_T^{(2)} + \Delta t F(u_T^{(2)})), \end{aligned}$$

where $F(u)$ is a spatial operator, which satisfies the MPP/PP property. Since a SSP high order time discretization is a convex combination of the Euler forward, the full scheme with a high order SSP time discretization will still satisfy the maximum principle [11].

3 Scaling limiter and its implementation for the SWENO scheme

The Euler forward time discretization has the MPP property for the two-dimensional scalar conservation laws on triangular meshes. This result has been proven completely in literature [11]. Firstly a special quadrature rule which is exact for a given degree two-variable polynomial over a triangle is introduced. Then the cell average is decomposed into a convex combination of the point values of the approximation polynomial, including all the Gauss quadrature points for each edge. Based on this result, we can obtain a sufficient condition to ensure that the Euler forward time discretization satisfies a strict maximum principle on triangular meshes. Actually, the above proof can be achieved with the same procedure but the less Gauss quadrature points for the proposed third order scheme. Considering the spatial discretization (2.1) in Section 2, the scheme with the Euler forward time discretization is given by

$$\bar{u}_T^{n+1} = \bar{u}_T^n - \frac{\Delta t}{|T|} \sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| \sum_{\beta=1}^2 w_\beta h(u^-(G_\beta^k), u^+(G_\beta^k), \vec{n}_k), \quad (3.1)$$

where the numerical flux function $h(u^-, u^+, \vec{n})$ satisfies the conservativity, consistency and monotonicity. We plan to rewrite the right hand of (3.1) as a monotone increasing function of some point values of $p_T^2(x, y)$ under a certain CFL condition in the following subsections.

3.1 The decomposition of the cell average

We are interested in a quadrature rule on a triangle satisfying:

- The quadrature rule is exact for the integration of $p_T^2(x, y)$ on the cell T .
- All the quadrature weights should be positive.
- The quadrature points should include all the Gauss quadrature points on each edge ∂T_k .

For convenience, we denote the three vertices of the cell T by the vectors V_1 , V_2 and V_3 , whose orientation is clockwise. The position vector P of an arbitrary point in T can be specified by the barycentric coordinates $(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3)$, where $P = \beta_1 V_1 + \beta_2 V_2 + \beta_3 V_3$. Consider the quadrature rule on the unit square $R: [-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^2$ in the $u-v$ plane. Let N be the smallest integer such that $2N-3 \geq n$ (n is the degree of reconstruction polynomials), then the N -point Gauss-Lobatto quadrature rule is exact for a single variable polynomial of degree n and the two endpoints are included in the N quadrature points. We consider the case of $n=2$ and $N=3$ in this paper. Let $\{v_\beta: \beta=1, 2\}$ denote the 2-point Gauss quadrature points on $R: [-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$ with weights w_β , and $\{u_\alpha: \alpha=1, 2, 3\}$ denote the Gauss-Lobatto

quadrature points on $R: [-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$ with weights \tilde{w}_α . And the two variables polynomial integral formula on R can be got from the tensor product of the 3-point Gauss-Lobatto quadrature for u and the 2-point Gauss quadrature for v , then the quadrature points can be written as $S_R = \{(u^\alpha, v^\beta) : \alpha = 1, 2, 3; \beta = 1, 2\}$. This quadrature is exact for a polynomial $p(u, v)$ if the degrees of u and v are less than n and $2n+1$ respectively [11]. Define the projections from the square R to the triangle T as:

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(u, v) &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + v\right) V_1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_3, \\ g_2(u, v) &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + v\right) V_2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_3 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_1, \\ g_3(u, v) &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + v\right) V_3 + \left(\frac{1}{2} + u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - u\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) V_2. \end{aligned}$$

The above formulas map the quadrature points into a triangle. Therefore, we can use $g_k(u, v)$ and S_R to construct the quadrature on the triangle T :

$$\bar{u}_T = \frac{1}{|T|} \int_T p_T^2(x, y) ds = \frac{1}{|T|} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} p_T^2(g_k(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial g_k(u, v)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| du dv, \quad k = 1, 2, 3. \quad (3.2)$$

The Jacobian

$$\left| \frac{\partial g_k(u, v)}{\partial(u, v)} \right| = 2|T| \left(\frac{1}{2} - v\right) \geq 0,$$

since the orientation of the three vertices is clockwise. We notice the integrand $p_T^2(g_k(u, v)) \left| \frac{\partial g_k(u, v)}{\partial(u, v)} \right|$ whose degrees of u and v are smaller than n and $2n+1$ respectively, thus the double integral in u and v is equal to the quadrature on S_R :

$$\bar{u}_T = \frac{1}{|T|} \int_T p_T^2(x, y) ds = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \sum_{\beta=1}^2 2p_T^2(g_k(u^\alpha, v^\beta)) \left(\frac{1}{2} - v^\beta\right) \tilde{w}_\alpha w_\beta. \quad (3.3)$$

Denote the values of $p_T^2(x, y)$ at the quadrature points on the edge ∂T_k as $u_{k,\beta}^-$. There are 6 quadrature points lying in the interior of T . Let the values of $p_T^2(x, y)$ at the quadrature points be $u_\gamma^{int} (\gamma = 1, \dots, 6)$ with the coefficients w_γ^{int} in the decomposition. Then we can rewrite (3.3) as a convex combination of u_γ^{int} and $u_{k,\beta}^-$:

$$\bar{u}_T^n = \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\beta=1}^2 \frac{2}{3} w_\beta \tilde{w}_1 u_{k,\beta}^- + \sum_{\gamma=1}^6 w_\gamma^{int} u_\gamma^{int}. \quad (3.4)$$

However, the formula (3.4) for the proposed third order scheme in [11] consists of 9 points on the edges and 9 points in the triangle, which leads to a more trivial manipulation for the scaling limiter implementation. According to above decomposition, we can rewrite Eq. (3.1) as:

$$\bar{u}_T^{n+1} = \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\beta=1}^2 \frac{2}{3} w_\beta \tilde{w}_1 u_{k,\beta}^- + \sum_{\gamma=1}^6 w_\gamma^{int} u_\gamma^{int} - \frac{\Delta t}{|T|} \sum_{\beta=1}^q w_\beta \left(\sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| h(u_{k,\beta}^-, u_{k,\beta}^+, \vec{n}_k) \right). \quad (3.5)$$

Lemma 3.1. Writing the right hand of (3.5) as a function H of $u_{k,\beta}^-$, $u_{k,\beta}^+$ and u_γ^{int} ,

$$\bar{u}_T^{n+1} = H\left(u_{1,1}^-, u_{2,1}^-, \dots, u_{3,2}^-, u_{1,1}^+, \dots, u_{3,2}^+, u_1^{int}, \dots, u_6^{int}\right),$$

then H is monotone increasing with respect to each argument, under the CFL condition

$$a \frac{\Delta t}{|T|} \sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| \leq \frac{2}{3} \tilde{w}_1, \quad (3.6)$$

where \tilde{w}_1 is the quadrature weight of the 3-point Gauss-Lobatto rule on $[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$.

The simple proof has been achieved in paper [11].

Next, we present a theorem:

Theorem 3.1. If the scheme (3.1) with the polynomial $p_T^2(x, y)$ satisfies the maximum principle

$$m \leq \bar{u}_T^{n+1} \leq M,$$

a sufficient condition is that

$$m \leq u_\gamma^{int}, \quad u^-(G_\beta^k), u^+(G_\beta^k) \leq M,$$

under the CFL constraint (3.6).

Proof. For an arbitrary constant z , the flux term inside the bracket of Eq. (3.5) satisfies

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| h(z, z, \vec{n}_k) = \sum_{k=1}^3 |\partial T_k| (f(z), g(z)) \cdot \vec{n}_k = 0, \quad (3.7)$$

here the conservativity of the numerical flux is used. And the detailed proof is presented at the end of this section. According to the formulation (3.5), we have $H(z, \dots, z) = z$. Then the monotonicity of H in Lemma 3.1 promises that

$$m = H(m, m, \dots, m) \leq \bar{u}_T^{n+1} \leq H(M, M, \dots, M) = M. \quad (3.8)$$

Thus, we complete the proof. \square

Remark 3.1. Let $V_1 = (x_1, y_1)$, $V_2 = (x_2, y_2)$, $V_3 = (x_3, y_3)$ and $x_1 < x_2 < x_3$. We denote the three edges of the triangle by the vectors

$$E_1 = (x_3 - x_1, y_3 - y_1), \quad E_2 = (x_3 - x_2, y_3 - y_2), \quad E_3 = (x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1),$$

whose length are $|\partial T_1|$, $|\partial T_2|$ and $|\partial T_3|$ respectively. Thus their outward unit normal vectors can be indicated as

$$\vec{n}_1 = \frac{1}{|\partial T_1|} (y_3 - y_1, x_1 - x_3), \quad \vec{n}_2 = \frac{1}{|\partial T_2|} (y_3 - y_2, x_2 - x_3), \quad \vec{n}_3 = \frac{1}{|\partial T_3|} (y_2 - y_1, x_1 - x_2). \quad (3.9)$$

Plugging (3.9) into (3.7), we get the formula (3.8) easily.

3.2 Scaling limiter

To enforce the sufficient condition in previous theorem, we need to modify the weighted quadratic polynomial $p_T^2(x, y)$, such that $p_T^2(x, y) \in [m, M]$ for all $(x, y) \in T$. For all T , assume that $\bar{u}_T^n \in [m, M]$, we use the following modified polynomial

$$\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y) = \theta(p_T^2(x, y) - \bar{u}_T^n) + \bar{u}_T^n, \quad \theta = \min \left\{ \left| \frac{M - \bar{u}_T^n}{M_T - \bar{u}_T^n} \right|, \left| \frac{m - \bar{u}_T^n}{m_T - \bar{u}_T^n} \right|, 1 \right\}, \quad (3.10)$$

with

$$M_T = \max \left\{ \max_{k, \beta} \{u^-(G_\beta^k)\}, \max_\gamma \{u_\gamma^{int}\} \right\}, \quad m_T = \min \left\{ \min_{k, \beta} \{u^-(G_\beta^k)\}, \min_\gamma \{u_\gamma^{int}\} \right\},$$

instead of the definitions in [11]

$$M_T = \max_{(x, y) \in T} p_T^2(x, y), \quad m_T = \min_{(x, y) \in T} p_T^2(x, y).$$

Thus $\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y)$ satisfies the following properties:

- Conservativity:

$$\frac{1}{|T|} \int_T \tilde{p}_T^2(x, y) dx dy = \bar{u}_T^n.$$

- Accuracy: for smooth regions,

$$\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y) - p_T^2(x, y) = \mathcal{O}(h^3), \quad \forall (x, y) \in T.$$

The conservativity is straightforward, we are interested in the accuracy. Considering

$$\theta = \left| \frac{M - \bar{u}_T^n}{M_T - \bar{u}_T^n} \right|$$

and a non-constant polynomial $p_T^n(x, y)$,

$$\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y) - p_T^2(x, y) = (\theta - 1)(p_T^2(x, y) - \bar{u}_T^n) = \frac{M - \bar{u}_T^n}{M_T - \bar{u}_T^n} (p_T^2(x, y) - \bar{u}_T^n).$$

By the definition of θ in Eq. (3.10),

$$\theta = \left| \frac{M - \bar{u}_T^n}{M_T - \bar{u}_T^n} \right| < 1, \quad \text{i.e., } M_T > M \geq \bar{u}_T^n \geq m_T.$$

Therefore, $\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y)$ is an approximation with the error h^3 of both M_T and M , thus $M - \bar{u}_T^n = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$, $M_T - \bar{u}_T^n = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$. Since $p_T^2(x, y) - \bar{u}_T^n = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$, we have

$$\tilde{p}_T^2(x, y) - p_T^2(x, y) = \frac{M - \bar{u}_T^n}{M_T - \bar{u}_T^n} (p_T^2(x, y) - \bar{u}_T^n) = \frac{\mathcal{O}(h^6)}{\mathcal{O}(h^3)} = \mathcal{O}(h^3).$$

We need to use the limiter in each stage for every weighted quadratic polynomial $p_T^2(x, y)$ in the third order Runge–Kutta method. At the same time, the CFL condition should be satisfied. Table 1 lists the barycentric coordinates of the quadrature points, which are used to compute M_T and m_T .

Table 1: The barycentric coordinates of the quadrature points.

The quadrature points on the edges $u_{k,\beta}^-$		The quadrature points in the triangle u_γ^{int}	
$(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0)$	$(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0)$	$(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
$(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$
$(0, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(0, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$

4 Numerical tests

In this section, we test the proposed scheme on two-dimensional triangular meshes. Firstly, a linear equation, a Burgers equation and a smooth vortex problem are used to verify the numerical convergence and measure the convergence orders by the discrete L_1 and L_∞ errors. Then we test the ability of the scheme to capture the shocks for Riemann problems of the compressible Euler equations. Finally, the two-dimensional Buckley–Leverett equation, the kinematic frontogenesis problem and the double mach reflection are solved. By comparing with other schemes we demonstrate the higher resolution of the SWENO scheme with the scaling limiter. The uniform triangular meshes shown in Fig. 2 are easy to refine, thus we use them to measure the convergence orders. The same effect can be achieved on non-uniform triangular meshes, shown in Fig. 3.

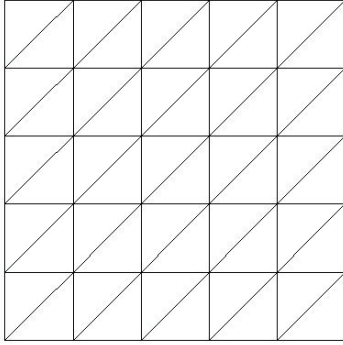


Figure 2: Uniform mesh.

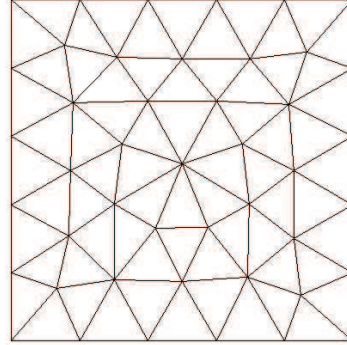


Figure 3: Non-uniform mesh.

4.1 Two-dimensional linear equation

To test the effectiveness of the proposed scheme, we first solve a two-dimensional linear wave equation:

$$\begin{cases} u_t + u_x + u_y = 0, \\ u_0(x, y) = u(x, y, 0), \end{cases} \quad (4.1)$$

Table 2: Accuracy for 2D linear equation with scaling limiter.

	$u_0(x,y) = \sin(\pi(x+y))$			
N	L_1 error	order	L_∞ error	order
5	0.5314	...	0.8296	...
10	0.1842	1.5285	0.3000	1.4674
20	2.155×10^{-2}	3.0955	3.938×10^{-2}	2.9294
40	2.495×10^{-3}	3.1106	5.156×10^{-3}	2.9331
80	3.139×10^{-4}	2.9907	8.137×10^{-4}	2.6637

Table 3: Accuracy for 2D linear equation without scaling limiter.

	$u_0(x,y) = \sin(\pi(x+y))$			
N	L_1 error	order	L_∞ error	order
5	0.5273	...	0.8274	...
10	0.1724	1.6128	0.2124	1.9618
20	2.112×10^{-2}	3.0291	3.777×10^{-2}	2.4915
40	2.490×10^{-3}	3.0844	5.162×10^{-3}	2.8712
80	3.194×10^{-4}	2.9627	8.067×10^{-4}	2.6778

with periodic boundary conditions on the domain $[-1,1]^2$. We take $\Delta t = 0.8h^{4/3}$ and $t = 2$ for the purpose of showing the third order accuracy. Table 2 and Table 3 list the L_1 and L_∞ errors for the cell averages. We observe the designed order of accuracy for our scheme, justifying that the scaling limiter (3.10) does not destroy the accuracy for smooth solutions.

4.2 Two-dimensional Burgers equation

For piecewise smooth solutions, we consider the two-dimensional Burgers' equation:

$$\begin{cases} u_t + u_x^2 + u_y^2 = 0, \\ u_0(x,y) = u(x,y,0), \end{cases} \quad (4.2)$$

with periodic boundary conditions on the domain $[-2,2]^2$. At first, we apply the SWENO scheme to solve this equation with the initial condition $u_0(x,y) = \sin^4 \frac{\pi}{2}(x+y)$ to $t = 0.05$, when the solution is still in smooth state. The numerical results for $\Delta t = 0.8h^{4/3}$ are reported in Table 4 and Table 5. For this nonlinear problem, the scheme still achieves the third order accuracy. In particular, the errors and \bar{u}_{\min} with or without the limiter are comparable.

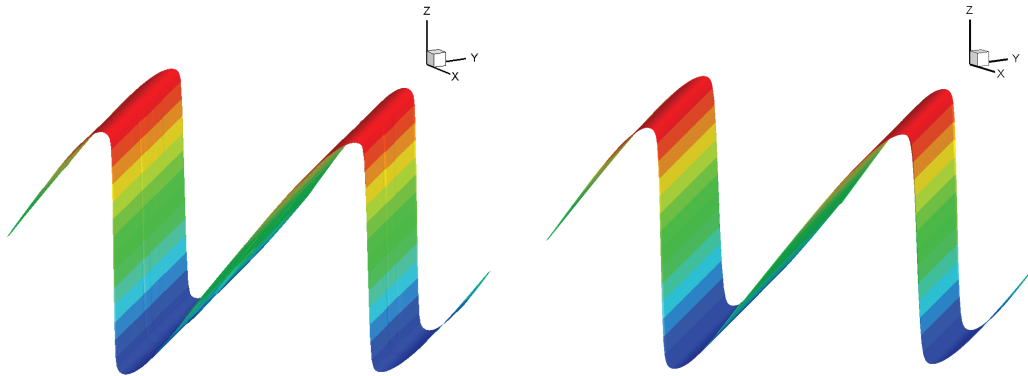
To demonstrate the application for shock computations, we compute a classic initial problem until discontinuities occur. Fig. 4 shows the results for shocks on two kinds of meshes, both of them show that the overall solution transitions accurately.

Table 4: Accuracy for 2D Burgers equation with scaling limiter.

N	$u_0(x,y) = \sin^4(\frac{\pi}{2}(x+y))$				
	L_1 error	order	L_∞ error	order	\bar{u}_{\min}
10	7.185×10^{-2}	...	8.080×10^{-2}	...	1.0×10^{-17}
20	1.228×10^{-3}	2.1149	3.370×10^{-2}	1.1637	1.0×10^{-17}
40	1.493×10^{-3}	2.3088	7.024×10^{-3}	2.3603	1.0×10^{-17}
80	1.908×10^{-4}	3.0122	1.065×10^{-3}	2.7210	1.0×10^{-17}
160	1.270×10^{-5}	2.9239	1.960×10^{-4}	2.4420	1.0×10^{-17}

Table 5: Accuracy for 2D Burgers equation without scaling limiter.

N	$u_0(x,y) = \sin^4(\frac{\pi}{2}(x+y))$				
	L_1 error	order	L_∞ error	order	\bar{u}_{\min}
10	2.868×10^{-2}	...	7.185×10^{-2}	...	0.00000
20	7.217×10^{-3}	1.9866	3.065×10^{-2}	1.2292	-6.50×10^{-3}
40	1.456×10^{-3}	2.3095	8.411×10^{-3}	1.8655	-1.55×10^{-3}
80	1.810×10^{-4}	3.0079	1.078×10^{-3}	2.9645	-1.95×10^{-4}
160	2.467×10^{-5}	2.8746	1.864×10^{-4}	2.4658	-2.48×10^{-5}

Figure 4: The numerical results with the initial condition $u(x,0)=0.3+0.7\sin(\pi(x+y))$ at $t=0.3$. The SWENO scheme on the non-uniform mesh (left) and the uniform mesh (right) with 25600 vertices: 3-D view.

4.3 Two-dimensional vortex evolution problem

The above tests demonstrate the accuracy and stability of the method for two-dimensional benchmark problems. For a more realistic problem, we consider the two-dimensional vortex evolution problem for the compressible Euler equations:

$$\zeta_t + f(\zeta)_x + g(\zeta)_y = 0, \quad (4.3)$$

Table 6: Accuracy for 2D vortex equations without scaling limiter.

N	L_1 error	order	L_∞ error	order
20	8.698×10^{-3}	...	5.002×10^{-2}	...
40	4.110×10^{-4}	4.4025	8.670×10^{-3}	2.5285
80	2.000×10^{-5}	4.3619	6.220×10^{-4}	3.8011
160	2.454×10^{-6}	3.0268	1.004×10^{-5}	2.6308
320	3.142×10^{-7}	2.9656	1.491×10^{-6}	2.7514

with

$$\begin{aligned}\xi &= (\rho, \rho u, \rho v, E), \\ f(\xi) &= (\rho u, \rho u^2 + p, \rho uv, u(E + p)), \\ g(\xi) &= (\rho v, \rho uv, \rho v^2 + p, v(E + p)),\end{aligned}$$

where ρ is density, (u, v) is velocity, E is total energy, p is pressure, and

$$E = \frac{p}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{1}{2}\rho(u^2 + v^2),$$

with $\gamma = 1.4$. The mean flow is $\rho = 1$, $p = 1$ and $(u, v) = (1, 1)$. An isentropic vortex is added to the mean flow with perturbations in (u, v) and the temperature $T = p/\rho$, but there is no perturbation in the entropy $S = p/\rho^\gamma$:

$$\begin{aligned}(\delta u, \delta v) &= \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi} e^{0.5(1-r^2)} (-\bar{y}, \bar{x}), \\ \delta T &= -\frac{(\gamma-1)\epsilon^2}{8\gamma\pi^2} e^{1-r^2}, \quad \delta S = 0,\end{aligned}$$

where $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = (x-4, y-4)$, $r^2 = \bar{x}^2 + \bar{y}^2$, and the vortex strength $\epsilon = 5$. The computational domain is taken as $[0, 8]^2$ and periodic boundary conditions are used. The exact solution of this problem is smooth, hence it is often used as a benchmark problem to test the accuracy of numerical schemes for solving the Euler systems. The vortex with constant speed propagates along the diagonal to the mesh lines, which gives an ample opportunity for computing the exact solution.

The reconstruction procedure is applied to each component of the solution ξ . We first compute the solution to $t = 0.2$ for the accuracy test. Table 6 shows that the results achieve the expected convergence rate. Compared with the third order WENO scheme on triangular meshes in [2], the SWENO scheme gives a high resolution for the long-time evolution of the vortex in Fig. 7.

4.4 One-dimensional Riemann problems of Euler equations

In this subsection, one-dimensional Riemann problems are tested to verify the high resolution of the proposed scheme in capturing wave configurations.

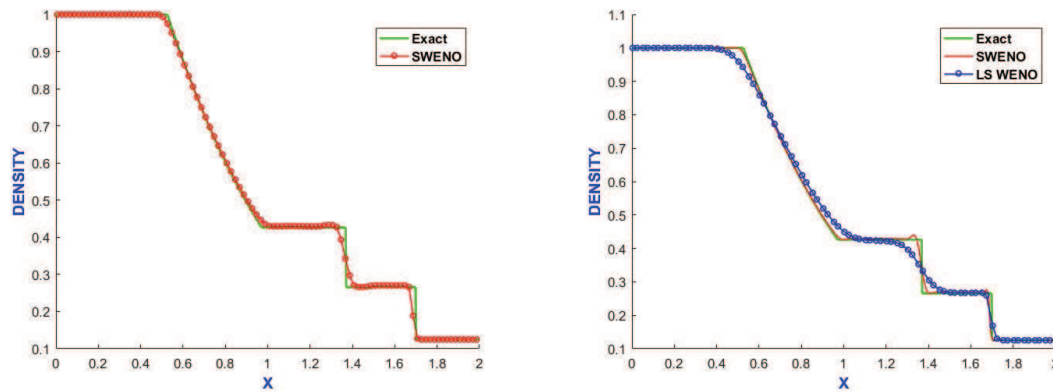


Figure 5: 1D Sod problem. The left figure is the comparison between the results of the SWENO scheme and the exact solution with the mesh size $h = 0.02$ and $CFL = 0.2$. The right figure is the comparison between the results of the least square WENO scheme, the SWENO scheme and the exact solution with the mesh size $h = 0.01$ and $CFL = 0.2$.

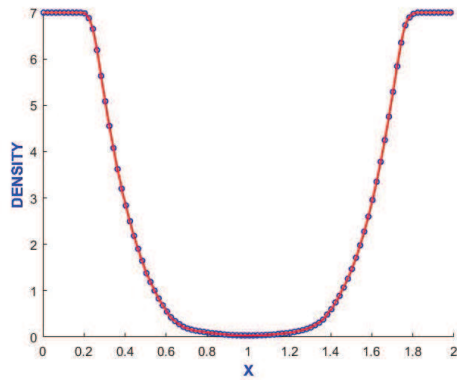


Figure 6: Double rarefaction problem.

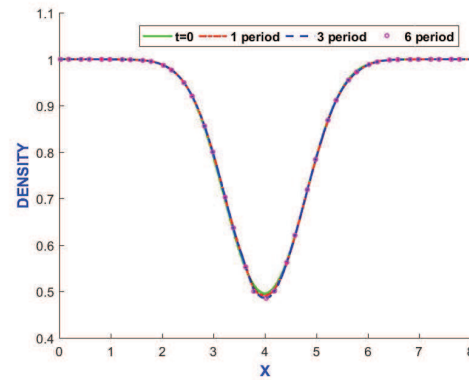


Figure 7: Vortex problem.

We consider the solution of the Euler equations (4.3) with Riemann-type initial conditions. The velocity in the y -direction always is zero, and periodic boundary condition is used in the y -direction.

The first test case is Sod's problem [17] in a domain of $[0, 2] \times [0, 0.4]$. The initial data are

$$(\rho, u, p) = \begin{cases} (1, 0, 1), & x \leq 1, \\ (0.125, 0, 0.1), & x > 1. \end{cases}$$

We adopt the non-uniform mesh with a triangulation of 40 vertices in the x -direction and 20 vertices in the y -direction. The plots of the density at $t = 0.4$ in Fig. 5 are obtained by extracting the data along the central cut line of the triangular mesh. Obviously, the SWENO scheme has higher resolution than the least square WENO scheme when using

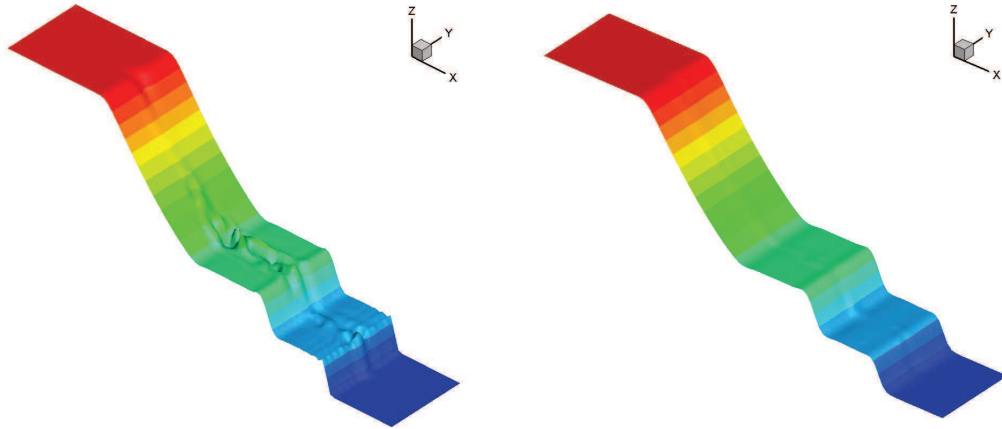


Figure 8: 1D Sod problem. The density distribution at $t=0.4$ on the low-quality non-uniform mesh. The left plot is computed by the WENO scheme [9]. The right plot is computed by the SWENO scheme: 3-D view.

the same triangular mesh and CFL condition. Fig. 8 shows the contour plots of the solutions computed by the WENO scheme in [9] and the SWENO scheme on the same low quality non-uniform mesh respectively.

The second test case is the one-dimensional low density and low pressure problem in a domain of $[-1,1] \times [0,0.4]$, which involves vacuum or near-vacuum solutions with the following initial condition:

$$(\rho, u, p) = \begin{cases} (7, -1, 0.2), & x \leq 0, \\ (7, 1, 0.2), & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

We adopt the non-uniform mesh with a triangulation of 60 vertices in the x -direction and 30 vertices in the y -direction. The density at $t=0.6$ is shown in Fig. 6. Our scheme gives the similar results as those presented in the literature [18]. Especially, the SWENO scheme with the scaling limiter is able to avoid spurious oscillations near the top of the rarefaction waves under a weaker CFL condition.

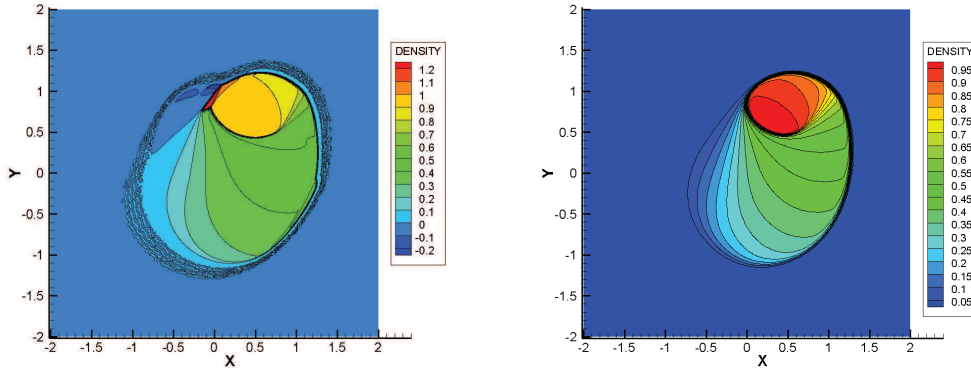
4.5 Two-dimensional Buckley–Leverett equation

The two-dimensional Buckley–Leverett (BL) equation was proposed in [19] to describe two-phase fluid flow in porous media. In particular, it is used to model the secondary oil recovery by water injection in oil reservoir. We consider the scalar equation (1.1) with the flux functions

$$f(u) = \frac{u^2}{u^2 + (1-u)^2}, \quad g(u) = f(u)(1 - 5(1-u^2)).$$

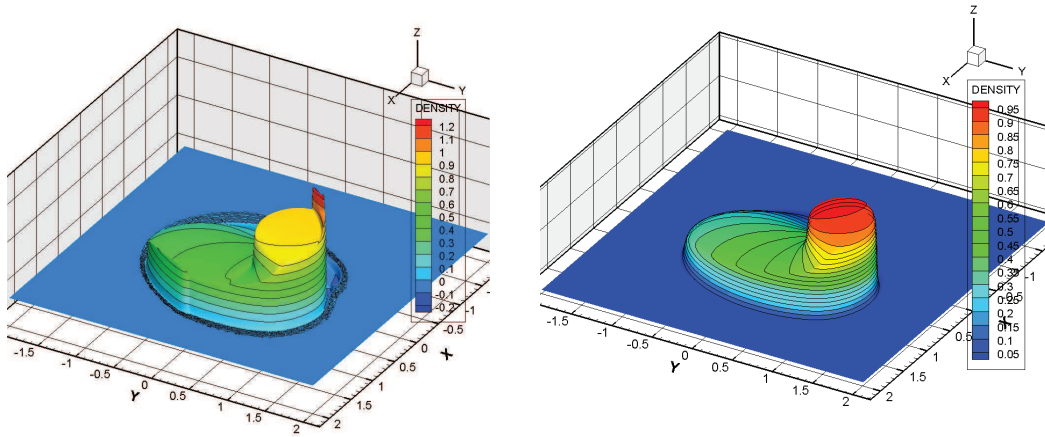
The initial data is

$$u(x, y, 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & x^2 + y^2 < 0.5, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$



The SWENO scheme without scaling limiter The SWENO scheme with scaling limiter

Figure 9: The solution at $t=0.5$ of the BL equation on the uniform mesh of 400×400 cells.



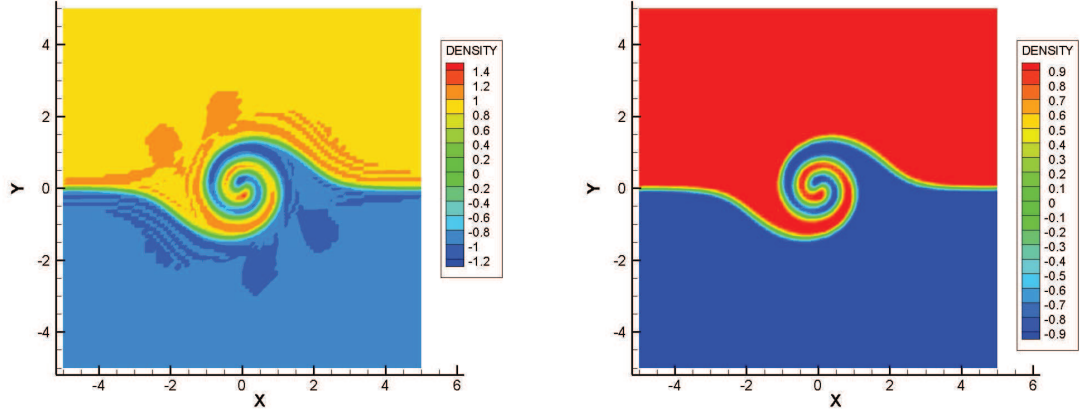
The SWENO scheme without scaling limiter The SWENO scheme with scaling limiter

Figure 10: The solution of 2D BL equation at $t=0.5$ on the uniform mesh of 400×400 cells: 3-D view.

computed in the domain $[-2,2]^2$. This example is taken from Karlsen et al. [20], whose exact solution is unknown. The potential negative density problem may emerge when high order WENO schemes are applied to solve it. Fig. 9 and Fig. 10 show the numerical solutions calculated by the SWENO scheme. In contradistinction to the solutions without the scaling limiter, the solutions with the scaling limiter successfully preserve the minimum and maximum of the initial data and show smoother structures.

4.6 The kinematic frontogenesis problem

This test problem [22] is important in meteorology where it represents a simplified effect which takes place in the atmosphere. It always is used to test the ability of the schemes



The SWENO scheme without scaling limiter

The SWENO scheme with scaling limiter

Figure 11: The solution of the kinematic frontogenesis problem on the uniform mesh of 100×100 cells.

to handle moving discontinuities in two space dimensions. We remark that a number of high order schemes have been reported to fail for this test problem, including the WENO scheme in [9]. We solve the two-dimensional linear equation with variable coefficients

$$q_t + (u(x,y)q)_x + (v(x,y)q)_y = 0,$$

where (u,v) is a steady divergence-free velocity field:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -y\omega(r), & v &= x\omega(r), & \omega(r) &= \frac{1}{r}U_T(r), & r^2 &= x^2 + y^2, \\ U_T(r) &= U_{\max}\text{sech}^2(r)\tanh(r), & U_{\max} &= 2.5980762, \end{aligned}$$

with the initial condition defined on $[-5,5]^2$:

$$q(x,y,0) = \begin{cases} -1, & y < 0, \\ 1, & y \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

The exact solution is given by [23]:

$$q(x,y,t) = q_0(y\cos(\omega t) - x\sin(\omega t)),$$

and represents a rotation of the initial discontinuous distribution around the origin with a variable angular velocity $\omega(r)$. We note that as time evolves, the solution will eventually develop scales which are beyond the resolution of the computational mesh. We compute the numerical solution to $t=4$ using both the uniform and non-uniform meshes. Observing the results shown in Fig. 11, it is obvious that the solution with the scaling limiter displays a more seared comparison with the other one. Fig. 12 shows one-dimensional

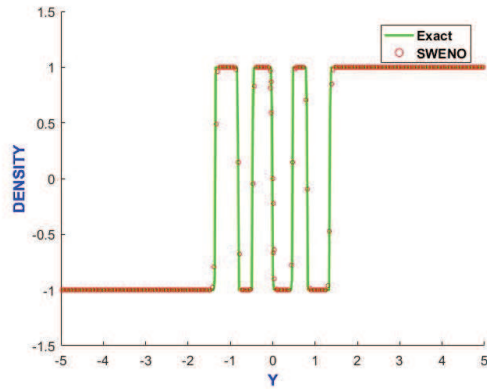
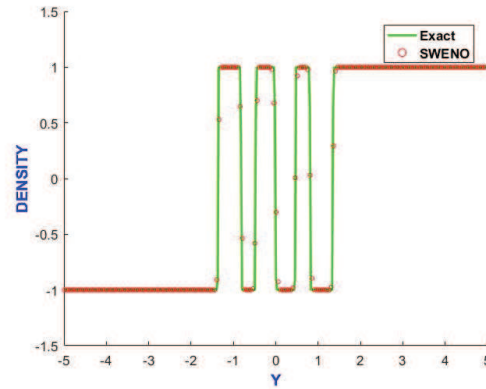
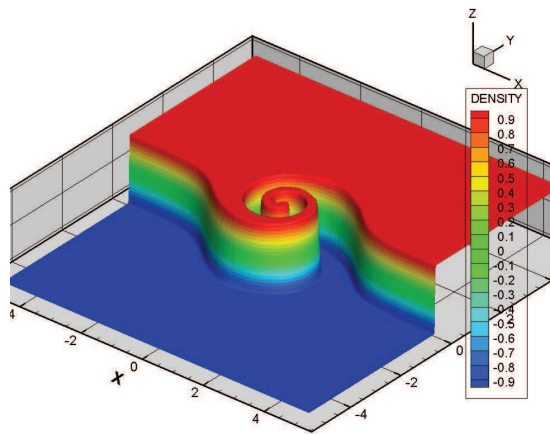
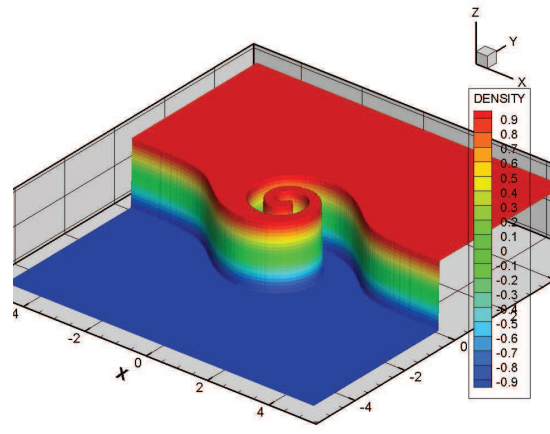
The non-uniform mesh of 400×400 cellsThe uniform mesh of 400×400 cells

Figure 12: The solution of the kinematic frontogenesis problem computed by the SWENO scheme with scaling limiter on different triangular meshes.



The SWENO scheme with scaling limiter



The exact solution

Figure 13: The solution of the kinematic frontogenesis problem on the non-uniform mesh of 400×400 cells: 3-D view.

cuts along the y axis for $-5 \leq y \leq 5$. In all plots, the solid line corresponds to the point-wise values of the exact solution whereas symbols correspond to the numerical solution calculated by the proposed scheme on different meshes. We can observe delicate features of the solution correctly without oscillations. More details about the essentially non-oscillatory behaviors of the numerical results are clearly shown in Fig. 13. The problem has been solved by [24] using a sixth order ADER-FV scheme on triangular meshes. The comparison of their results indicates that the SWENO scheme achieves a higher resolution with the same triangle length.

4.7 Double mach reflection

We solve the Euler system (4.3) on the domain $[0, 3.1] \times [0, 1]$. A reflecting wall lies at the bottom of the domain starting from $x = \frac{1}{6}$. Initially a right-moving Mach 10 shock is located at $x = \frac{1}{6}$, $y = 0$ making a 60° angle with the x -axis. The reflective boundary condition is used at the wall, while for the rest of the bottom boundary (the part from $x=0$ to $x = \frac{1}{6}$), the exact postshock condition is imposed. At the top boundary, the flow values are set to describe the exact motion of the Mach 10 shock. We calculate this example with the non-uniform mesh $h = \frac{1}{100}$ displayed in Fig. 14. Fig. 15 shows the numerical result for region $[0, 3] \times [0, 1]$ at $t = 0.2$. The density plot with 35 equally spaced contour lines from 1.5 to 21.5 indicates that the proposed approach captures the complicated flow structure successfully.

5 Concluding remarks

In this paper, we present the reconstruction of the SWENO scheme on triangular meshes, in the context of finite volume method for solving hyperbolic conservation laws. The major novelty of the SWENO scheme is the reconstruction technique which is able to handle

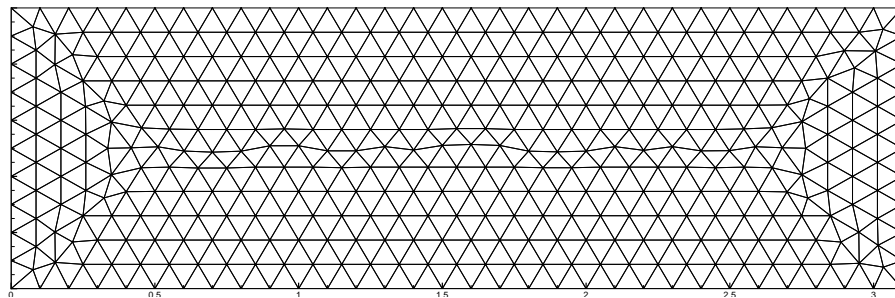


Figure 14: The non-uniform mesh for the double mach reflection.

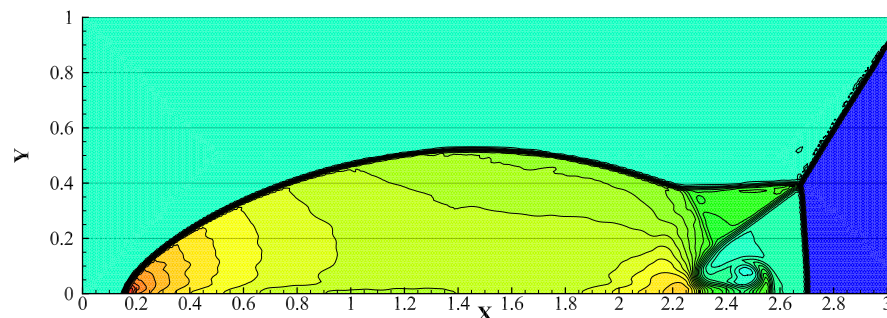


Figure 15: The numerical solution of the double mach reflection with the non-uniform mesh $h = \frac{1}{100}$.

the moving discontinuities with less computations in two space dimensions. Besides, the modified LU decomposition and the scaling technique are adopted to implement the ill-conditioned matrix, which improve the adaptability of the SWENO scheme to low quality meshes. The scaling limiter is applied to the SWENO scheme at each stage of the third order Runge–Kutta time method. Both the accuracy and MPP property are verified theoretically and numerically with suitable CFL conditions. Finally, the two-dimensional BL equation, the kinematic frontogenesis problem and the double mach reflection show the advantages of the SWENO scheme when solving very complex hyperbolic systems in multi-phase flows, magnetohydrodynamics and general relativity.

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