#### • MUSCL Schemes and Slope Limiters

- Geometric interpretation on numerical scheme in terms of reconstruction, evolution and projection step.
  - See the works by van Leer(1977, 1979), and others
  - Ex) Flow physics of first-order upwind scheme for  $u_t + au_x = 0$ , a > 0



- Reconstruction step: approximation of the exact initial distribution
  - In MUSCL, the initial profile is approximated (or reconstructed) by a linear profile.
- Evolution step: reconstructed initial profile is convected  $\Delta s_x = a \cdot \Delta t$  by  $u_t + au_x = 0$ .
  - The reconstructed profile on Eulerian mesh is drifting in a Lagrangian manner.
  - Flux evaluation by tracing characteristic propagation of a reconstructed profile in (x, t) plane
- Projection step: projection of the convected profile to update a new solution at  $t^{n+1} = t^n + \Delta t$ .
  - The drifted profile is remapped onto Euler mesh to obtain cell-averaged values.

- Extension to 2<sup>nd</sup>-order reconstruction, evolution and projection step
  - Reconstruct a linear profile from cell-average values  $u_r(x) = u_j + S_j^n(x - x_j), x_{j-1/2} \le x \le x_{j+1/2}$  with a local slope  $S_j^n$
  - Upwinding flux evaluation at evolution time-step,  $\Delta t$

$$u_{j+1/2}(t) = u_j + S_j^n \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2} - a(t - t^n)\right) \to F_{j+1/2} = \int_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} a u_{j+1/2}(t) dt = a u_j + S_j^n \frac{a \Delta x}{2}(1 - \sigma) \text{ with } a > 0$$

• Depending on the treatment of slope, three variations at projection step • Scheme I: obtain  $u_j^{n+1}$  by, say,  $S_j^n = \frac{u_{j+1}^n - u_{j-1}^n}{2\Lambda r}$ 

· Scheme II, III: obtain both solution $(u_i^{n+1})$  and slope $(S_i^{n+1})$ , which resembles FEM-type solution approximation.

II) 
$$S_{j}^{n+1} = \frac{u_{j+1/2}(t^{n+1}) - u_{j-1/2}(t^{n+1})}{2\Delta x} = \frac{u_{j}^{n} - u_{j-1}^{n}}{\Delta x} + (S_{j}^{n} - S_{j-1}^{n})(0.5 - \sigma)$$
  
(III)  $\int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} u_{r}^{n}(x - a\Delta t)(x - x_{j})dx = \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} u_{r}^{n+1}(x)(x - x_{j})dx$  to update  $\begin{bmatrix} u_{j}^{n+1} \\ S_{j}^{n+1} \end{bmatrix}$ 

• Monotonic treatment of local slope is essential to be consistent with Godunov's constraint.



Non-monotonic estimation of the local slope creates a new (artificial) local extrema. → numerical oscillations

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- If *TV*(*u*(*x*)) ≤ *TV*(*u<sup>n</sup>*) in reconstruction step, the whole steps are TVD, since evolution and projection steps are intrinsically total variation not increasing.
   → a higher-order monotonic solution at *t* = *t<sup>n</sup>* + Δ*t*
- Subcell distribution u(x) not creating new extrema after solution reconstruction

• 
$$\min(u_{j-1}, u_j, u_{j+1}) \le u(x) \le \max(u_{j-1}, u_j, u_{j+1})$$
 with

$$\tilde{S}_{j}^{n} = \min \operatorname{mod}\left(2\frac{u_{j}^{n} - u_{j-1}^{n}}{\Delta x}, S_{j}^{n}, 2\frac{u_{j+1}^{n} - u_{j}^{n}}{\Delta x}\right) \text{ or }$$

Slope limiters to satisfy monotonic subcell distribution

- 2<sup>nd</sup>-order MUSCL flux with slope limiter and 1st-order upwind flux
  - 1st-order upwinding using cell-averaged values  $(u_i, u_{i+1})$

$$F_{j+1/2, 1st} = \frac{1}{2} \left( f_j + f_{j+1} \right) - \frac{\left| a_{j+1/2} \right|}{2} \Delta u_{j+1/2} = fn \left( u_j, u_{j+1} \right)$$

• Linear distribution with slope limiting

$$u(x) = u_{j} + S_{j}^{n}(x - x_{j}), \quad x_{j-1/2} \le x \le x_{j+1/2}$$
$$u_{jR} = u(x_{j+1/2}) = u_{j} + \frac{\Delta x}{2}\tilde{S}_{j}^{n} \text{ and } u_{jL} = u(x_{j-1/2}) = u_{j} - \frac{\Delta x}{2}\tilde{S}_{j}^{n}$$

• Replace 
$$u_j, u_{j+1}$$
 by  $u_{jR}, u_{(j+1)L}$ 

$$F_{j+1/2, 2nd} = \frac{1}{2} \Big( f_{jR} + f_{(j+1)L} \Big) - \frac{\left| a_{(j+1/2)(L,R)} \right|}{2} \Delta u_{(j+1/2)(L,R)} = fn \Big( u_{jR}, u_{(j+1)L} \Big)$$

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 $u_{iR}$ 

j+1

j+1/2

i+2

#### **PPM – A quadratic extension of MUSCL approach**

• Initial reconstruction is approximated by a quadratic polynomial. Assume  $u(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_j) + a_2(x - x_j)^2$  with  $x_{j-1/2} \le x \le x_{j+1/2}$ ,

and determne  $a_0, a_1$  and  $a_2$  from

$$u_{j} = \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} u(x) dx, \ u_{L,j} = u(x_{j-1/2}) = a_{0} - a_{1} \frac{\Delta x}{2} + a_{2} \frac{\Delta x^{2}}{4} \text{ and } u_{R,j} = a_{0} + a_{1} \frac{\Delta x}{2} + a_{2} \frac{\Delta x^{2}}{4}$$
  

$$\rightarrow a_{0} = u_{j} - \frac{\Delta x^{2}}{12} a_{2}, a_{1} = \frac{u_{R,j} - u_{L,j}}{\Delta x} \text{ and } a_{2} = \frac{u_{R,j} - u_{L,j}}{\Delta x^{2}} \left( \frac{u_{R,j} + u_{L,j}}{2} - u_{j} \right)$$

 $u_{R,j}$  and  $u_{L,j}$  are then determined by some complicated blending of limited 4th-order or 2nd-order accurate approximations of  $u_{j+1/2}$ , with many extra techniques, such as shock sensing and artificial compression.

• More details can be found in Colella and Woodward (1984).

- **LED Schemes using Positivity Condition** 
  - **Start from a semi-discrete form,**  $\Delta x \frac{du_j}{dt} + F_{j+1/2} F_{j-1/2} = 0$ 
    - For first-order scheme Take  $F_{j+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} (f_j + f_{j+1}) - d_{j+1/2} (= \alpha_{j+1/2} \Delta u_{j+1/2})$  and estimate  $a_{j+1/2} = \begin{cases} \frac{f_{j+1}^n - f_j^n}{u_{j+1}^n - u_j^n} & \text{if } u_{j+1}^n \neq u_j^n \\ f'(u_j^n) & \text{if } u_{j+1}^n = u_j^n \end{cases}$  $F_{j+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \Big( f_j + f_{j+1} \Big) - \alpha_{j+1/2} \Delta u_{j+1/2} \xrightarrow{f_{j+1} = f_j + a_{j+1/2} \Delta u_{j+1/2}} f_j + \Big( \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} - \alpha_{j+1/2} \Big) \Delta u_{j+1/2}$  $F_{j-1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \Big( f_j + f_{j-1} \Big) - \alpha_{j-1/2} \Delta u_{j-1/2} \xrightarrow{f_{j-1} = f_j - a_{j-1/2} \Delta u_{j-1/2}} f_j - \Big( \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j-1/2} \Big) \Delta u_{j-1/2}$ Thus,  $\Delta x \frac{du_j}{dt} = -F_{j+1/2} + F_{j-1/2} = \left(\alpha_{j+1/2} - \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2}\right) \Delta u_{j+1/2} - \left(\alpha_{j-1/2} + \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2}\right) \Delta u_{j-1/2}$  $= C_{j}^{+} \left( u_{j+1} - u_{j} \right) + C_{j}^{-} \left( u_{j-1} - u_{j} \right) \text{ with } C_{j}^{+} = \alpha_{j+1/2} - \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2}, \ C_{j}^{-} = \alpha_{j-1/2} + \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2}$ • For  $\frac{du_j}{dt} = \sum c_{ij} (u_i - u_j)$  with the local stencil of  $u_j$ , if  $c_{ij} \ge 0$  (positivity condition), local maxima do not increase and local minima do not decrease (LED condition). From  $C_j^{\pm} \ge 0$ ,  $\alpha_{j+1/2} \ge |\alpha_{j+1/2}|/2$  for all *j*, yielding the minimum amount of numerical diffusion

to satisfy the LED condition is upwinding for the first-order scheme.

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#### Design of limited anti-diffusion

A simple candidate with arithmetic anti-diffusive flux

$$d_{j+1/2} = d_{j+1/2}^{L} - d_{j+1/2}^{H} = \alpha_{j+1/2} \left[ \Delta u_{j+1/2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \Delta u_{j+3/2} + \Delta u_{j-1/2} \right) \right]_{3rd\text{-order anti-diffusive flux}}$$

• This violates the positivity condition.  $\rightarrow$  some limited form of anti-diffusion

• Set 
$$d_{j+1/2} = \alpha_{j+1/2} \left[ \Delta u_{j+1/2} - L(\Delta u_{j+3/2}, \Delta u_{j-1/2}) \right]$$
 with a limited-average operator  $L(u, v)$   
• p1.  $L(u, v) = L(v, u)$  • p2.  $L(\alpha u, \alpha v) = \alpha L(u, v)$   
• p3.  $L(u, u) = u$  • p4.  $L(u, v) \begin{cases} = 0 & \text{if } \operatorname{sgn}(u) \neq \operatorname{sgn}(v) \\ \neq 0 & \text{if } \operatorname{sgn}(u) = \operatorname{sgn}(v) \end{cases}$ 

Note that p1~p3 are natural properties for any average, and p4 is to impose positivity condition. By setting  $\alpha = 1/u$  (or 1/v), • p1, p2: L(1, v/u) = L(u, v)/u (or L(u/v, 1) = L(u, v)/v)  $\rightarrow L(u, v) = uL(1, v/u)$  (or vL(u/v, 1))

Consider 
$$\varphi(r) = L(1,r) = rL(1/r,1)$$
 with  $r = v/u$ , then  $\varphi(r) = r\varphi(1/r)$ 

• p3: 
$$\varphi(1)=1$$
 • p4:  $\varphi(r)$   $\begin{cases} = 0 & \text{if } r < 0 \\ > 0 & \text{if } r > 0 \end{cases}$ 

Thus, L(u, v) is another form (general form) of limiting function.

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• With 
$$d_{j+1/2} = \alpha_{j+1/2} \left[ \Delta u_{j+1/2} - L \left( \Delta u_{j+3/2}, \Delta u_{j-1/2} \right) \right]$$
 and  $F_{j+1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( f_j + f_{j+1} \right) - d_{j+1/2}$   
 $\Delta x \frac{du_j}{dt} = -F_{j+1/2} + F_{j-1/2} = -\left( f_j + \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} \Delta u_{j+1/2} - d_{j+1/2} \right) + \left( f_j - \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} \Delta u_{j-1/2} - d_{j-1/2} \right)$   
 $= -\frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} \Delta u_{j+1/2} + \alpha_{j+1/2} \left[ \Delta u_{j+1/2} - L \left( \Delta u_{j+3/2}, \Delta u_{j-1/2} \right) \right] - \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} \Delta u_{j-1/2} - \alpha_{j-1/2} \left[ \Delta u_{j-1/2} - L \left( \Delta u_{j+3/2}, \Delta u_{j-3/2} \right) \right]$   
 $= \left[ \alpha_{j+1/2} - \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j-1/2} L \left( 1, \frac{\Delta u_{j-3/2}}{\Delta u_{j+1/2}} \right) \right] \Delta u_{j+1/2} - \left[ \alpha_{j-1/2} + \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j+1/2} L \left( \frac{\Delta u_{j+3/2}}{\Delta u_{j-1/2}}, 1 \right) \right] \Delta u_{j-1/2}$   
 $= \left[ \alpha_{j+1/2} - \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j-1/2} \phi(r_j^+) \right] \Delta u_{j+1/2} - \left[ \alpha_{j-1/2} + \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j+1/2} \phi(r_j^-) \right] \Delta u_{j-1/2}$   
 $= C_j^+ (u_{j+1} - u_j) + C_j^- (u_{j-1} - u_j)$   
with  $C_j^+ = \alpha_{j+1/2} - \frac{a_{j+1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j-1/2} \phi(r_j^+), C_j^- = \alpha_{j-1/2} + \frac{a_{j-1/2}}{2} + \alpha_{j+1/2} \phi(r_j^-)$   
 $r_j^+ = \Delta u_{j-3/2} / \Delta u_{j+1/2}, r_j^- = \Delta u_{j+3/2} / \Delta u_{j-1/2}$   
By requiring  $C_j^+ \ge 0$ , the LED scheme is obtained if  $\alpha_{j+1/2} \ge \frac{1}{2} |a_{j+1/2}|$  for all  $j$ .

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**Examples of LED limiters** 

Let 
$$S(u,v) = \frac{1}{2}(\operatorname{sgn}(u) + \operatorname{sgn}(v)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \operatorname{sgn}(u) \neq \operatorname{sgn}(v) \\ \pm 1 & \text{if } \operatorname{sgn}(u) = \operatorname{sgn}(v) \end{cases}$$

• Minmod: 
$$L(u,v) = S(u,v)\min(u,v)$$

• van Leer: 
$$L(u, v) = S(u, v) \frac{2uv}{u+v}$$

- superbee:  $L(u,v) = S(u,v) \max\left(\min\left(2|u|,|v|\right),\min\left(2|v|,|u|\right)\right)$
- Limited arithmetic mean:  $L(u, v) = S(u, v) \min(\frac{|u+v|}{2}, \alpha |u|, \alpha |v|)$ . It recovers the MC limiter if  $\alpha = 2$ .

Or more gnerally,

• Augmented arithmetic average: 
$$L(u,v) = \frac{1}{2}D(u,v)(u+v)$$
 with  $D(u,v) = 1 - \left|\frac{u-v}{u+v}\right|^q$   
 $L(u,v)|_{q=1} = \min \mod L(u,v)|_{q=2} = \operatorname{van} \operatorname{Leer}, \ L(u,v)|_{q\to\infty} = \operatorname{arithmetic} \operatorname{mean} \operatorname{bouned} \operatorname{by} \operatorname{TVD} \operatorname{region}$   
•  $\alpha$ -mod:  $L(u,v) = S(u,v) \frac{(1+\alpha)|u||v|}{\max(|u|,|v|) + \alpha \min(|v|,|u|)} = \begin{cases} \min \operatorname{dif} \alpha = 0 \\ \operatorname{van} \operatorname{Leer} \operatorname{if} \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$   
•  $\alpha$ - $\beta$ -mod:  $L(u,v) = S(u,v) \frac{(1+\alpha)|u|^{(1+\beta)/2}}{\max(|u|^{\beta},|v|^{\beta}) + \alpha \min(|v|^{\beta},|u|^{\beta})}$   
If  $\alpha = \beta = 0, \ L(u,v) = \sqrt{uv}$  (limited geometric mean)

- LED and TVD schemes, and Stability
  - See the works by Jameson(1995), and others
  - LED condition does not accentuate local extrema nor create new local extrema.

• LED schemes 
$$\xrightarrow{yes}$$
 TVD schemes

• Monotonicity violation of TVD in multi-dimensional situation.  $\rightarrow$  MLP condition



LED schemes and  $l_{\infty}$  stability

• Linear 1-D case

For 
$$\frac{du_j}{dt} = \sum_{i \neq j} c_{ij} \left( u_i - u_j \right)$$
 with  $c_{ij} = c_{ij} (\Delta x, \Delta t, a) > 0$  on a 'local' stencil of  $u_j$ ,

consider 
$$\frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n}{\Delta t} = \sum_{i \neq j} c_{ij} \left( u_i - u_j \right)$$

Then, 
$$u_{j}^{n+1} = u_{j}^{n} + \sum_{i \neq j} \tilde{c}_{ij} \left( u_{i}^{n} - u_{j}^{n} \right) = (1 - \sum_{i \neq j} \tilde{c}_{ij}) u_{j}^{n} + \sum_{i \neq j} \tilde{c}_{ij} u_{i}^{n}$$
 with  $\tilde{c}_{ij} = c_{ij} \Delta t. \rightarrow v_{i}^{n+1} = \sum_{j} a_{ij} v_{j}^{n}$ 

From consistency,  $\sum_{j} a_{ij} = 1$ , and  $|v_i^{n+1}| \le \sum_{j} |a_{ij}| ||v_j^n| \le \sum_{j} |a_{ij}| ||v^n||_{\infty} \rightarrow ||v^{n+1}||_{\infty} \le \left(\max_{i} \sum_{j} |a_{ij}|\right) ||v^n||_{\infty}$ 

LED schemes can provide  $l_{\infty}$  stability (Cont'd) Thus,  $l_{\infty}$  stability is maintained by requiring  $\max_{i} \sum_{j} |a_{ij}| \le 1$  (or  $||A||_{\infty} \le 1$  with  $v^{n+1} = Av^{n}$ ). From consistency  $(\sum_{j} a_{ij} = 1)$  and positivity  $(a_{ij} \ge 0)$ ,  $\max_{i} \sum_{j} |a_{ij}| \le 1$ . This can be realized by  $1 - \sum_{i \ne j} \tilde{c}_{ij}$  and by limiting the time-step as  $\Delta t \le \frac{1}{\sum_{i \ne j} c_{ij}}$ .

Nonlinear multi-dimensional case

For 
$$\frac{du_j}{dt} = \sum_{i \neq j} c_{ij} \left( u_i - u_j \right)$$
 with  $c_{ij} = c_{ij} \left( u_i \Delta x, \Delta t, a \right) > 0$  on a local stencil of  $u_j$ ,

similar results can be obtained by assuming a Lipschitz-continuous monotne flux to evaluate  $c_{ii}(u)$ .

• See the works by Barth (2003), MLP schemes (Yoon and Kim (2008), Park and Kim (2010, 2012))

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