

Adaptive mesh refinement techniques for well-balanced schemes for shallow water flows

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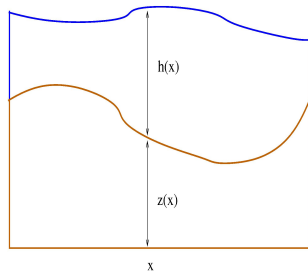
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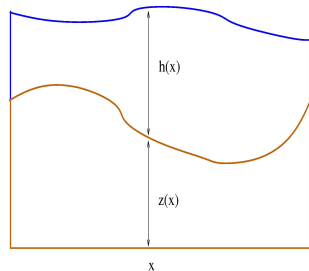
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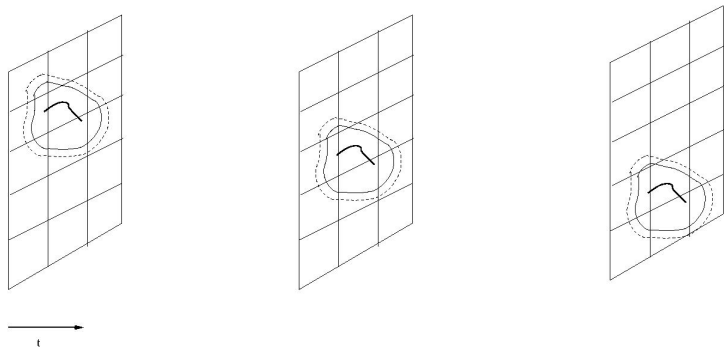
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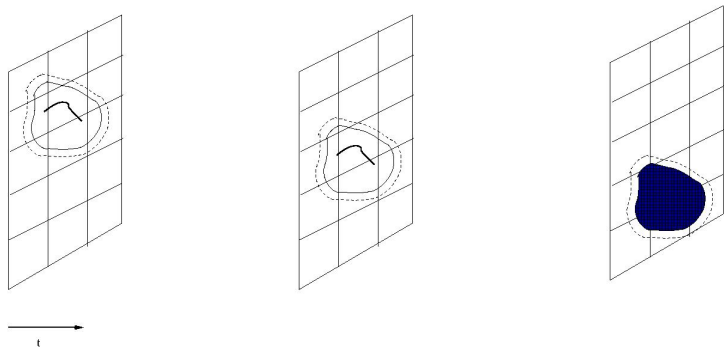
- For $N = 1/\Delta$ and d dimensions, computational cost of scheme is $\mathcal{O}(N^{d+1})$, storage is $\mathcal{O}(N^d)$, huge to get small errors.
- Numerical errors are not uniformly distributed:
 - larger errors at discontinuities
 - smaller errors at smooth regions
- An **Adaptive Scheme**, with a smaller Δ where higher errors occur, would be necessary for $d \geq 2$ and high precision needs.
- Many approaches [Cohen et al., 2003, Müller and Stiriba, 2007] \dots , we briefly review the (**S**tructured) **A**daptive **M**esh **R**efinement algorithm, proposed by [Berger and Oliger, 1984] and extended by many authors (Colella, Quirk, \dots) to FV schemes.

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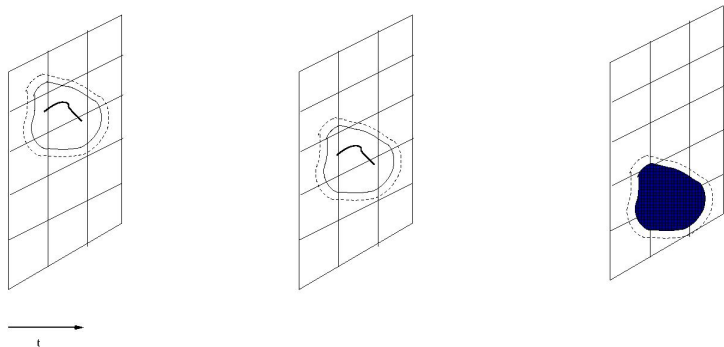
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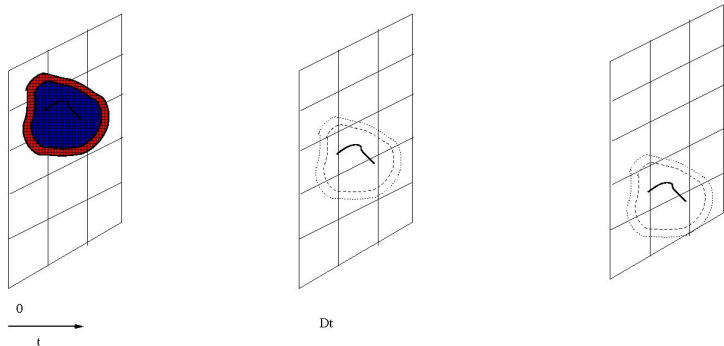
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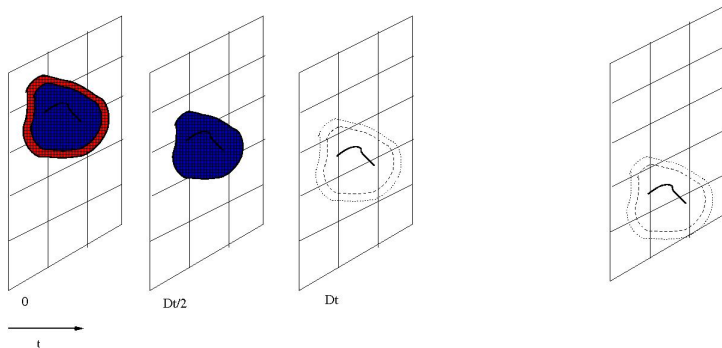
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- B: discard results with Δ , start over with $\Delta/2$.
- C: track region of interest through time evolution.

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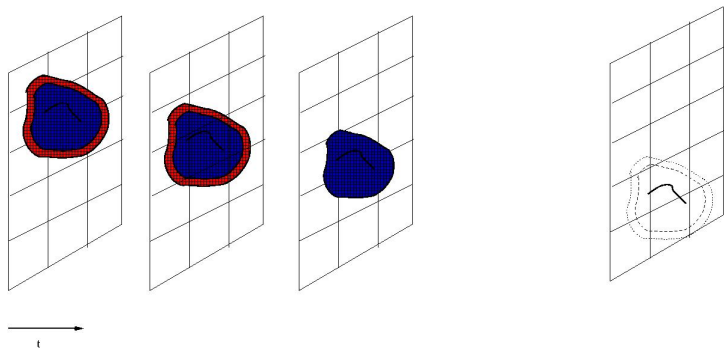
- Before going to B plan, notice that solution on $\Omega \times [0, \Delta t]$ (hopefully) depends on solution at **Domain of Dependence** $\tilde{\Omega} \times \{0\}$ (**by hyperbolicity**).
- Can compute solution at $\Omega \times \{\frac{\Delta t}{2}\}$ (assuming $\Delta/2$ at ROI, same CFL)

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- How can new DD of region of interest be computed?
- **Zooming by (x, t) -interpolation**, OK at (supposedly smooth) **surrounding band** (coarse \rightarrow fine interpolation)

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- Recursion \Rightarrow need **nested Grid Hierarchy** (for interpolation), indexed by level l from $l = 0$ (**coarsest**) to $l = L$ (**finest**).
- Must synchronize data through GH at same (x, t) (**fine \rightarrow coarse project.**)
- More (shorter) time steps at finer resolutions (**local time stepping**).

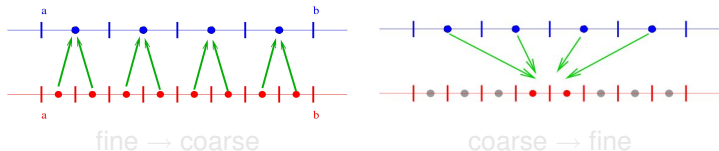
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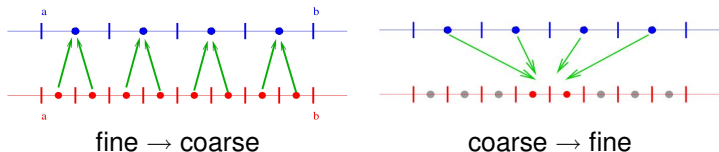


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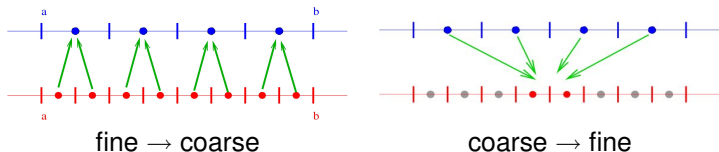


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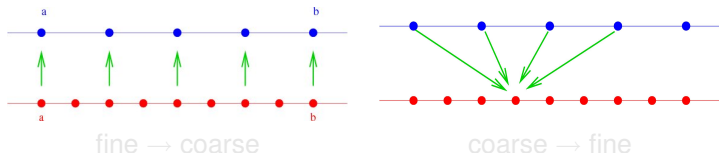


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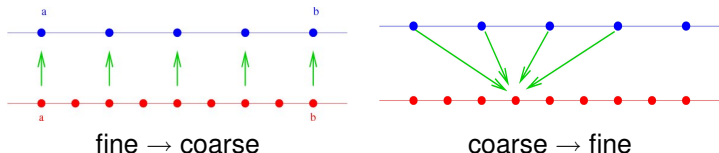


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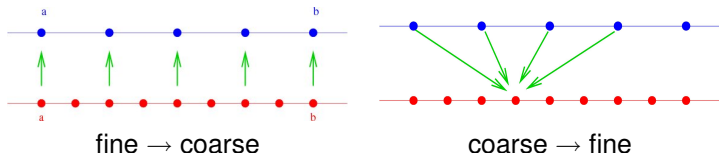


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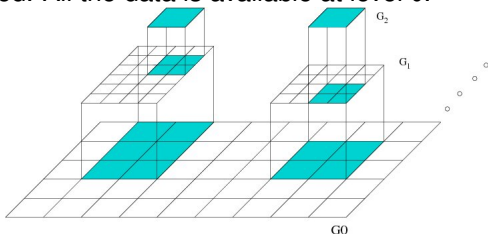
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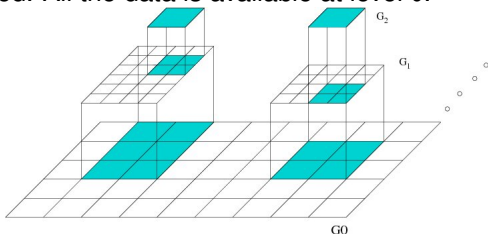
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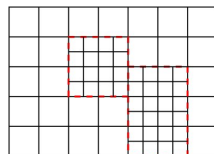
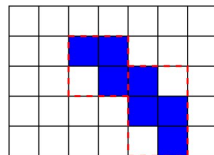
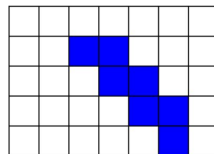
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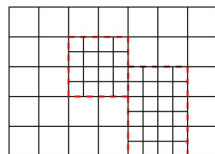
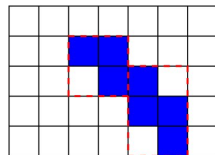
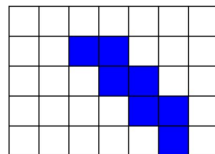
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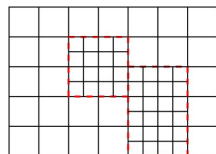
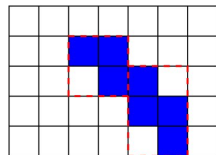
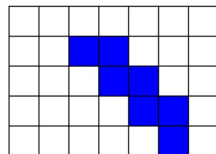
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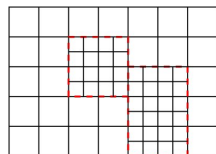
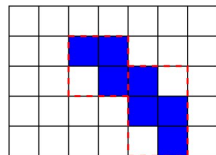
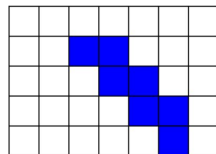
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- The convergence of the scheme is usually proved (when possible) through its consistence and stability (this being the harder part).
- When converging to a steady state or dealing with quasi-stationary solutions, the requirement of **preserving steady states** is plausible.
- When the scheme

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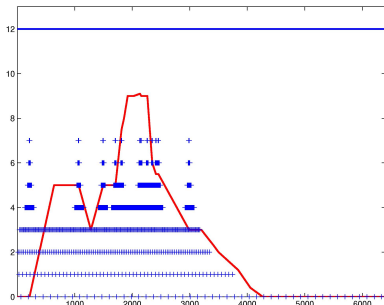
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Tests setup

- Based on code developed by A. Baeza for cell-based AMR.
- We use point-value-based grid hierarchy, with well-balanced interpolation based on linear interpolation.
- Refinement criterion: mark cells to refine when interpolation error exceeds some relative error **rtol** with respect to the maximal interpolation error at each level.

Test for stationary 1D solutions

- Water at rest solution of total height=12, bottom topography below. Solution at $T = 200$.
- Have used $\text{rtol}=10^{-1}$, $N_0 = 50$, and eight levels ($L = 7$, $N_7 = 6400$) to obtain:

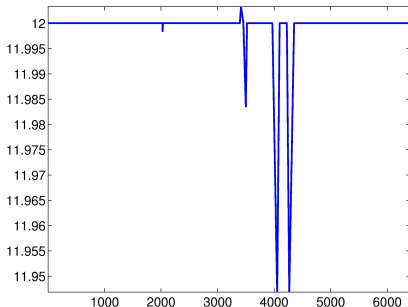


with a CPU speedup ≈ 11.5 .

- Scheme gives approximated solution such that $\|h + z - 12\|_{\infty} = 1.06 \cdot 10^{-14}$ and $\|v\|_{\infty} = 3.36 \cdot 10^{-14} \Rightarrow$ **C-property OK to double precision.**

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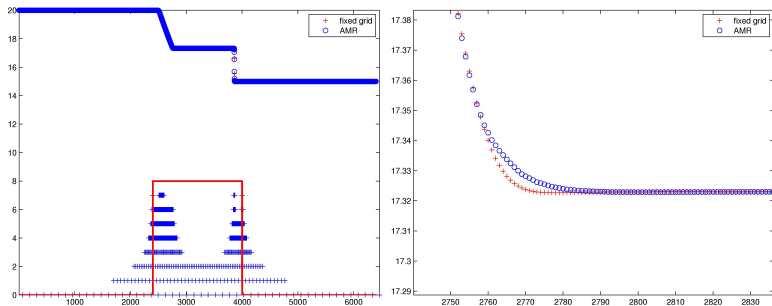
- Same setup, but without well balanced interpolation:



- Scheme gives approximated solution such that $\|h + z - 12\|_{\infty} = 5.31 \cdot 10^{-2}$ and $\|v\|_{\infty} = 2.16 \cdot 10^{-14} \Rightarrow$ **loss of exact C-property.**

Test for non stationary 1D solutions

- Dam break problem with square bump bottom topography.
- Solution at $T = 15$. Have used $\text{rtol}=10^{-3}$, $N_0 = 50$, and eight levels ($L = 7$, $N_7 = 6400$) to obtain:



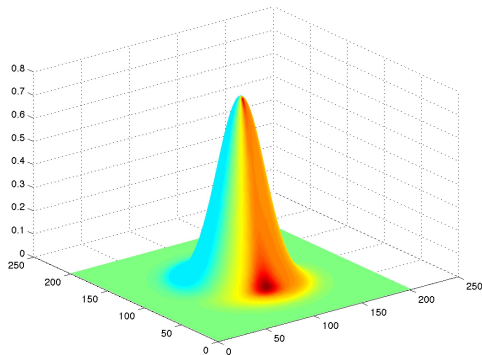
with CPU speedup ≈ 14.04 .

- Scheme gives approximated solution such that

$$\|h_{AMR} - h_{fixed}\|_1 = 1.44 \cdot 10^{-4}, \quad \|v_{AMR} - v_{fixed}\|_1 = 1.47 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

Test for stationary 2D solutions

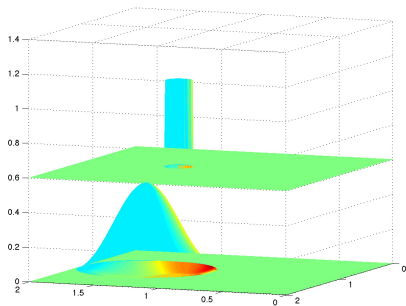
- ([LeVeque, 1998]) Water at rest, total height= 1 and bottom:



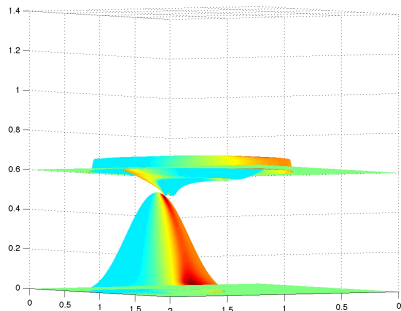
- Have used $\text{rtol}=10^{-1}$, $N_0 = 25$, and 4 levels ($L = 3$, $N_3 = 200$), $T = 0.1$ to obtain: $\|h + z - 1\|_\infty = 1.11 \cdot 10^{-15}$, $\|v^x\|_\infty = 3.52 \cdot 10^{-15}$, $\|v^y\|_\infty = 3.88 \cdot 10^{-15} \Rightarrow$ **C-property OK to double precision.**
- CPU speedup=3.96

Test for non stationary 2D solutions

- Circular dam break problem ([Castro-Fernández-Nieto-Ferreiro-García-Rodríguez-Parés, 2009]). Have used $\text{rtol}=10^{-1}$, $N_0 = 100$, and 5 levels ($L = 4$, $N_4 = 1600$), $T = 0.25$



$T = 0$



$T = 0.25$

- CPU speedup=5.22
- $\|h_{AMR} - h_{fixed}\|_1 = 8.33 \cdot 10^{-4}$, $\|v_{AMR}^x - v_{fixed}^x\|_1 = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$,
 $\|v_{AMR}^y - v_{fixed}^y\|_1 = 1.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$, difference of mass $\approx 7 \cdot 10^{-4}$.

Test for non stationary 2D solutions

water and grids

In grid hierarchy, lighter color means finer resolution.

Conclusions and future research

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- We have presented a technique for obtaining well-balanced point-value-based adaptive mesh refinement schemes for shallow water equations.
- We have seen some of the difficulties for getting well-balanced adaptive mesh refinement schemes for SWE based on cell-averages.
- We have tested the scheme with Donat&Martinez-Gavara homogenized SWE solver and we have obtained an adaptive scheme with the exact C-property.

Future research

- We are working on its parallelization and extension to deal with dry zones.
- Possibility of getting an adaptive scheme that preserves more stationary solutions if underlying scheme does so.
- Comparison of present code with AMR without well-balanced interpolation
- Comparison of present code with AMR with cell-average-based AMR.



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