A fully well-balanced hydrodynamic reconstruction

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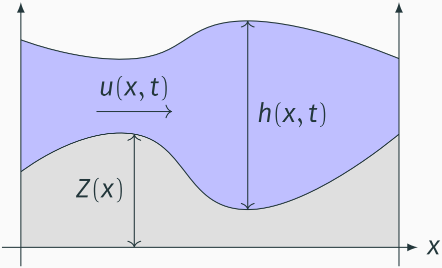
The equations are written under the form $\partial_t W + \partial_x F(W) = S(W)$.



- $h(x,t)$: water height
- $u(x,t)$: water velocity
- $q = hu$: water discharge
- $Z(x)$: known topography
- g: gravity constant

We pay particular attention to solutions of prime importance:

the steady solutions.

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Two cases are distinguished:

- $\mathbf{q_0 = 0} \rightsquigarrow$ lake at rest
  we get $B(h, q_0, Z) = h + Z = \text{cst}$: linear equation in h
- $\mathbf{q_0 \neq 0} \rightsquigarrow$ moving steady solution
  we get $B(h, q_0, Z) = \dfrac{q_0^2}{2h^2} + g(h+Z) = B_0$: nonlinear equation in h!

Finite volume scheme

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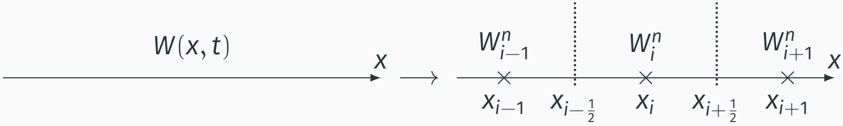

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Definition: well-balanced scheme

A numerical method approximating the solution of a balance law is called well-balanced if it exactly preserves the steady solutions.

Question: can we make this generic finite volume scheme well-balanced without changing the numerical flux?

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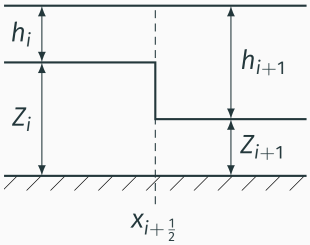

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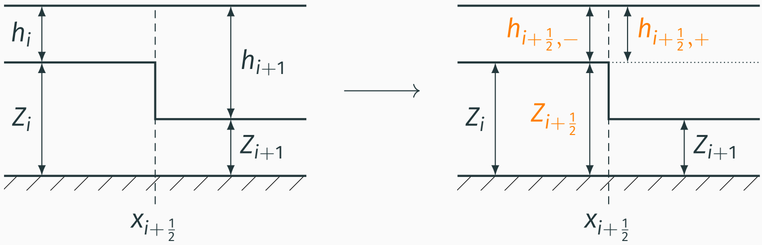

Objectives

Main goal of this work: Provide a **linear** reconstruction able to capture the steady solutions with $q_0 = 0$ or $q_0 \neq 0$.

The objectives of our **hydrodynamic reconstruction** include:

- making sure that the resulting scheme is consistent,
- ensuring the capture of steady solutions with $q_0 = 0$ or $q_0 \neq 0$,
- handling dry areas and transitions between wet and dry areas (not presented in this talk),
- a linear and well-balanced high-order extension.

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We claim that imposing the following property on $\mathcal{H}$ will be enough to preserve steady solutions:

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Next step: obtain a suitable expression of $\mathcal{H}$.

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We now seek a relation to characterize **the jump of h at the interface**, i.e. an expression of $(h_R - h_L)/2$ for steady solutions.

We assume that the solution is steady, and introduce notation

$$\bar{h} \coloneqq \frac{h_L + h_R}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad [h] \coloneqq \frac{h_R - h_L}{2},$$

so that h_L and h_R satisfy

$$h_L = \bar{h} - [h] \quad \text{and} \quad h_R = \bar{h} + [h].$$

The goal is now to rewrite the steady relation in terms of $\bar{h}$ and $[h]$.

A local relation to characterize steady solutions

Recall that the steady solutions are governed by

$$B(h, q_0, Z) = \frac{q_0^2}{2h^2} + g(h + Z) = B_0.$$

That is to say, at the interface between states W_L and W_R, the solution is locally steady if $q_L = q_R = \bar{q}$ and

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We set out to rewrite the above relation using $\bar{h}$ and $[h]$ instead of h_L and h_R.

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In practice, after some testing, we choose

$$a=\operatorname{sgn}(\Delta Z)\sqrt{\frac{|\Delta Z|}{2[\![h]\!]^3}}.$$

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$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2}\left(E - \operatorname{sgn}(1-\mathrm{Fr}^2)\operatorname{sgn}(\Delta Z)\sqrt{E^2 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}|\Delta Z|[\![h]\!]^3}}\right),$$

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Linear high-order extension

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At each interface, we introduce a convex combination of parameter $\theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ between the high-order reconstruction $W^{\mathrm{HO}}_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ and the hydrodynamic reconstruction $W^{\mathrm{HDR}}_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$:

$$W_{i+\frac{1}{2},\pm} = \theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}} W^{\mathrm{HO}}_{i+\frac{1}{2},\pm} + (1-\theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}}) W^{\mathrm{HDR}}_{i+\frac{1}{2},\pm}.$$

The coefficient $\theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ is based on the error to the steady solution, and

- if $\theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$, the solution is steady, the scheme is well-balanced;
- if $\theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 1$, the solution is unsteady, the scheme is high-order accurate.

Setup

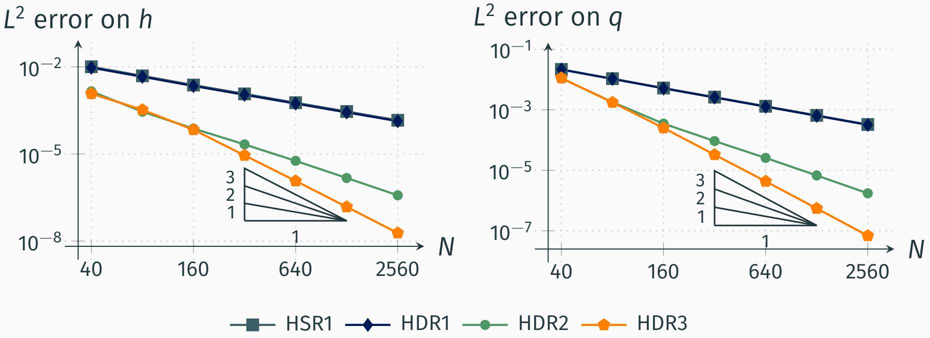
We provide several numerical tests with a finite volume scheme using the HLL flux:

- an order of convergence test,
- three tests of the well-balanced property,
- a dam-break on a dry slope.

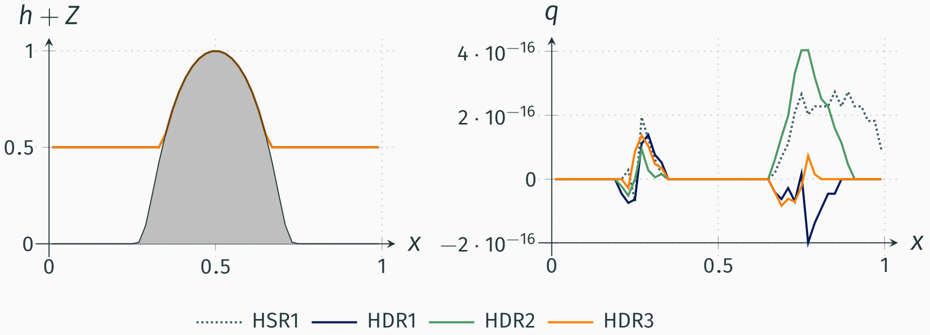
These tests are performed with the **h**ydro**s**tatic **r**econstruction (HSR) and the **h**ydro**d**ynamic **r**econstruction (HDR).

The schemes of order δ are denoted by HSRδ and HDRδ.

Order of convergence

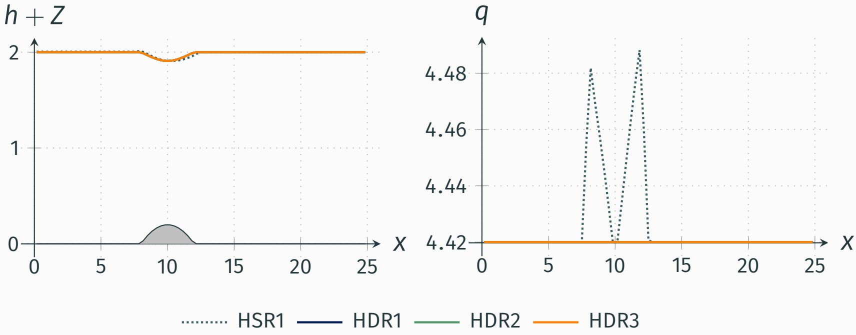


Emerged lake at rest (50 cells)



	HSR, $\mathbb{P}_0$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_0$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_1$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_2$
L^2 error on h	$1.85 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$2.75 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$3.07 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$1.32 \cdot 10^{-17}$
L^2 error on q	$1.24 \cdot 10^{-16}$	$5.17 \cdot 10^{-17}$	$1.24 \cdot 10^{-16}$	$3.59 \cdot 10^{-17}$

Subcritical flow (75 cells)



	HSR, $\mathbb{P}_0$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_0$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_1$	HDR, $\mathbb{P}_2$
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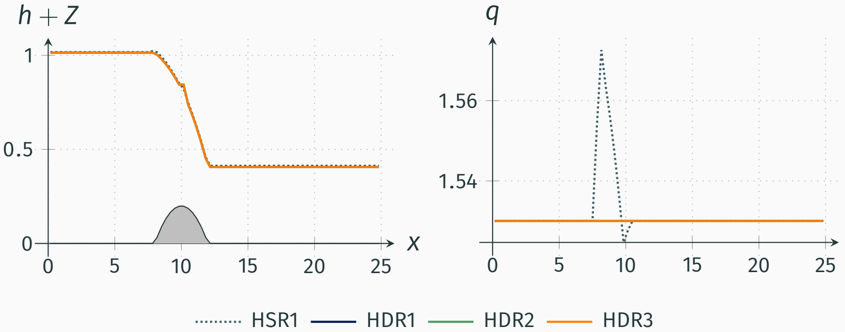
L^2 error on B	$1.79 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.73 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$3.61 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$2.68 \cdot 10^{-14}$

Transcritical flow (75 cells)



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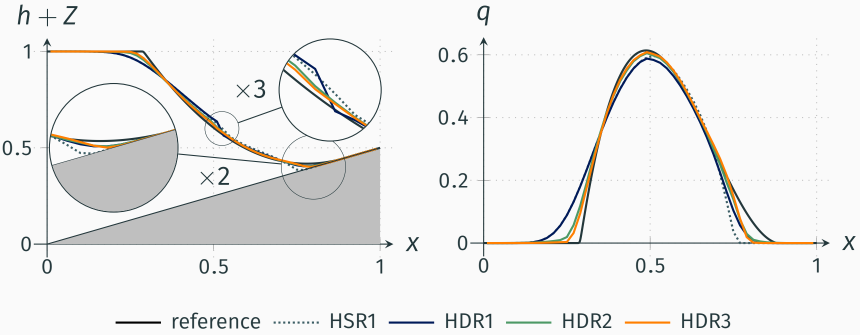
L^2 error on B	$1.45 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$4.50 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$5.12 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$5.92 \cdot 10^{-14}$

Dam-break on a dry slope (50 cells)



Conclusion

We have developed a linear reconstruction that allows any finite volume scheme to be fully well-balanced for the shallow water system.

This reconstruction has the following properties:

- it leads to a consistent scheme,
- the resulting scheme is well-balanced,
- it is able to handle wet/dry transitions,
- it can be extended to high-order accuracy with no nonlinear solver.

This work led to the following preprint:

C. Berthon, V. M.-D., *under review, 2023*.

Thank you for your attention!

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   This property holds since $(*)$ has been derived so that $2\mathcal{H} = h_R - h_L$ is a solution as soon as the flow is steady.

Well-balanced property

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Plugging this in $\mathcal{H}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H} &= \frac{1}{4}\left(\Delta h \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{|1 - \mathrm{Fr}^2|}\right) + \operatorname{sgn}(\Delta h)\sqrt{(\Delta h)^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{|1 - \mathrm{Fr}^2|}\right)^2}\right) \\
&= \frac{\Delta h}{4}\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{|1 - \mathrm{Fr}^2|} + 1 + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{|1 - \mathrm{Fr}^2|}\right) = \frac{\Delta h}{2},
\end{aligned}$$

which proves the well-balanced property.

High-order scheme

A high-order (non-well-balanced) finite volume scheme reads:

$$W_i^{n+1} = W_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}\Big(\mathcal{F}(\widehat{W}_{i,+}^n, \widehat{W}_{i+1,-}^n) - \mathcal{F}(\widehat{W}_{i-1,+}^n, \widehat{W}_{i,-}^n)\Big) + \Delta t \widehat{\mathcal{S}}_i^n.$$

In each cell, we reconstruct a polynomial of degree d, under the form

$$\widehat{W}_i^n(x) = W_i^n + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{d} R_i^\alpha (x - x_i)^\alpha,$$

where the coefficients R_i^α depend on the neighboring cells.

The evaluations at the interfaces $x_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$ are then given by:

$$\widehat{W}_{i,-}^n = W_i^n + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{d} R_i^\alpha \left(-\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^\alpha \qquad \text{and} \qquad \widehat{W}_{i,+}^n = W_i^n + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{d} R_i^\alpha \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2}\right)^\alpha,$$

and the high-order source term is the following approximation:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{S}}_i^n = \frac{1}{\Delta x}\int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} S(\widehat{W}_i^n(x))\, dx + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^{d+1}).$$

Linear well-balanced correction of the high-order scheme

We introduce a convex combination with parameter $\theta_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$ to provide a well-balanced correction to the high-order scheme, such that:

- if $\theta_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}} = 0$, the scheme is well-balanced;
- if $\theta_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}} = 1$, the scheme is high-order accurate.

The new evaluations at the interfaces $x_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$ are given by:

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and the new high-order well-balanced source term reads:

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_i^n = \left(1 - \frac{\theta_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n + \theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n}{2}\right) \mathcal{S}_i^n + \frac{\theta_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^n + \theta_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n}{2} \, \widehat{\mathcal{S}}_i^n .$$

Next step: Provide a suitable choice of the convex combination parameter $\theta_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$. We follow the general strategy from [C. Berthon, S. Bulteau, F. Foucher, M. M'Baye and V. M.-D., *SIAM SISC, 2022*].

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We propose the following expression:

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$$\text{with } \varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} q^n_{i+1} - q^n_i \\ B(h^n_{i+1}, q^n_{i+1}, Z_{i+1}) - B(h_, q^n_i, Z_i) \end{pmatrix} \right\|.$$

Properties of the steady solution detector

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(WB) We easily note that $\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ vanishes (and therefore $\theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ does too) as soon as W^n_i and W^n_{i+1} are at equilibrium.

(HO) If $\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \neq 0$, then

$$\theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{1 + \Delta x^{d+1} \frac{C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}}{\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}}} = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^{d+1}).$$

$\rightsquigarrow$ The expression of $\theta^n_{i\pm\frac{1}{2}}$ satisfies the required properties.

Next step: perform numerical tests to validate the method.

Limitations of the method

Of course, the method also has a few limitations.

1. It is dependent on a parameter C, which could be different for each experiment.

2. Although the scheme is high-order accurate and well-balanced, there is an issue with high-order well-balanced initialization. Consider an initial condition W_0, steady at interface $x_{i-1/2}$ and unsteady at interface $x_{i+1/2}$; we need the reconstruction $\widetilde{W}_i^0$ to satisfy

$$\widetilde{W}_i^0(x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{1}{\Delta x}\int_{x_{i-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} W_0(x)dx \quad \text{and} \quad \widetilde{W}_i^0(x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}) = W_0(x_{i+\frac{1}{2}}) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^{d+1}).$$

   This leads to two conditions in cell i, for one unknown W_i^0...

An expression of $C^n_{i+1/2}$

To implement the scheme, we need to give an expression of $C = C^n_{i+1/2}$. We propose $C^0_{i+1/2} = 1$, and, for $n \geqslant 1$:

$$C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = C_\theta \, \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\left\| W^n_{i+1} - W^{n-1}_{i+1} \right\|}{\Delta t} + \frac{\left\| W^n_{i} - W^{n-1}_{i} \right\|}{\Delta t} \right),$$

with C_θ a constant parameter.

Note that

$$\theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}}{\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\dfrac{\Delta x}{C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^\delta} = \frac{\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} (C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}})^\delta}{\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} (C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}})^\delta + \Delta x^\delta} :$$

we get $\theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$ if $\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$ or $C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$. **Why does this make sense?**

An expression of $C^n_{i+1/2}$ – reasoning

$$\theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \text{ if } \varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \text{ or } C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$\varepsilon^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \implies$ steady state solution for the equations

$\implies \theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ must vanish to preserve the steady state solution

$C^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 \implies$ vanishing discrete time derivative

$\implies$ steady state solution for the high-order scheme

$\implies$ not a steady state solution for the equations[1]

$\implies \theta^n_{i+\frac{1}{2}}$ must vanish to perturb the solution

[1] Otherwise, the high-order scheme would be well-balanced.