# Well-balanced high-order finite difference methods for systems of balance laws.

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Let us consider the PDE system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t h + \partial_x q = 0, \\ \partial_t q + \partial_x \left( \frac{q^2}{h} + \frac{g}{2} h^2 \right) = g h \partial_x H, \end{cases}$$
(1)

that governs the evolutions of a shallow layer of fluid, where:

- the variable x makes reference to the axis of the channel;
- t is time;
- q(x, t) is the discharge;
- h(x, t) is the thickness of the fluid layer;
- g is the acceleration due to gravity; H(x) is the depth measured from a fixed level of reference;
- q(x, t) = h(x, t)u(x, t), with *u* the depth averaged horizontal velocity.

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$$\lambda_1 = u - \sqrt{gh}, \quad \lambda_2 = u + \sqrt{gh}.$$

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where  $C_i$ , i = 1, 2 are arbitrary constants.

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#### Methods that preserve water-at-rest solutions:

- Bermúdez and Vázquez-Cendón, 1994: C-property.
- Many different numerical methods that satisfy this property have been introduced in the literature: see Bouchut 2004, chapters of Xing and Castro, Morales, CP in Handbook of Numerical Methods 2017 and their references for a review.
- Different techniques have been applied: source term upwinding (Bermúdez and Vázquez-Cendón 1994), Hydrostatic Reconstruction technique . Audusse, Bouchut, Bristeau, Klein, Perthame 2004, etc.
- In the framework of finite difference methods, high-order schemes that satisfy the C-property were introduced in Caselles, Donat, Haro, 2009 and Xing, Shu 2006.

#### Methods that preserve arbitrary stationary solutions:

- A first order numerical methods that preserve all the stationary based on a Generalized Hydrostatic Reconstruction technique was presented in Castro, Pardo, CP 2007.
- High-order well-balanced finite volume methods that preserves all the stationary solutions. A non-exhaustive list:
  - Noelle, Pankratz, Puppo, Natvig, 2006,
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  - Russo, Khe 2009 ,
  - Canestrelli, Siviglia, Dumbser, Toro 2009,
  - Bouchut, Morales 2010,
  - Castro, López, CP 2013,
  - Xing, 2014,
  - Berthon, Chalons 2016,
  - Cheng, Chertock, Herty, Kurganov, Wu 2019,
  - ..
- To the best of our knowledge, high order finite difference methods with this enhanced well-balanced property have not been described before

# Well-balanced methods for other systems of balance laws

- The design of high-order well-balanced numerical methods for different systems of balance laws is a very front active. Some examples:
  - Variants of the shallow water model (with friction, Coriolis term, RIPA model, shallow water system in spherical coordinates, etc.): Lukácová-Medvid'ová, Noelle, Kraft 2007, Chertok, Kurganov, Liu 2015, Chertock, Cui, Kurganov, Wu 2015, Sánchez-Linares, Morales, Castro 2016, Castro, Ortega, CP 2017
  - Euler equations with gravity: Käppeli, Mishra 2014, Chandrashekar, Klingenberg 2015, Li, Xing 2016, Chandrashekar, Zenk 2017, Gaburro, Dumbser, Castro 2017, Klingenberg, Puppo, Semplice 2018, Chertock, Cui, Kurganov, Özcan, Tadmor 2018, Gaburro, Castro, Dumbser 2018, Li, Xing 2018, Berberich, Chandrashekar, Klingenberg 2019, Grosheintz-Laval, Käppeli 2019, Castro, CP 2020, Castro, Gómez, CP 2021, ...
  - Other flow models like blood flow in vessels (Müller, CP, Toro 2013), relativistic fluids on a Schwarzschild background (LeFloch, CP, Pimentel 2020). etc.

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Here  $U_i(t)$  represents the *i*th degree of freedom and  $\mathcal{I}$ , the set of indices.

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- Many well-balanced methods described in the literature fit to this definition.
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- Most of the papers of the EDANYA group are based on this definition.
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- C-property = EWB for the family of water-at-rest solutions.
- Usually, stationary solutions with stationary shock waves are not considered in the FWB or the EWB definition.
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#### A linear problem: order test

We consider the linear scalar problem

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The stationary solutions are:

$$u^*(x) = Ce^x, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}.$$
 (15)

• We consider the initial condition:

$$u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0, \\ p(x) & \text{if } 0 \le x \le 1, \\ 1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
(16)

where *p* is the 11th degree polynomial

$$p(x) = x^6 \left( \sum_{k=0}^5 (-1)^k \begin{pmatrix} 5+k \\ k \end{pmatrix} (x-1)^k \right)$$

such that

$$p(0) = 0$$
,  $p(1) = 1$ ,  $p^{k}(0) = p^{k}(1) = 0$ ,  $k = 1, ..., 5$ 

see Figure 1.

#### A linear problem: order test



Figure: Test 5.1.1: initial condition (left). Exact solution and numerical solution obtained with WBWENO3 and WBWENO5 at time t = 1 using a mesh of 200 cells

	WBWE	NO3	WBWENO5	
Cells	Error Order		Error	Order
100	1.023E-1	-	4.0910E-2	-
200	2.084E-2	2.29	2.4407E-3	4.06
400	3.019E-3	2.78	9.1315E-5	4.74
800	3.867E-4	2.96	3.0121E-6	4.92
1600	4.855E-5	2.99	9.4857E-8	4.98

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm and convergence rates for WBWENOp, p = 3, 5 at time t = 1.

We consider next the scalar equation

$$u_t + \left(\frac{1}{2}u^2\right)_x = u^2 H_x.$$

The stationary solutions are given by

$$u^*(x) = Ce^{H(x)}, \quad C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

• We consider first H(x) = x and we take the stationary solution

$$u(x) = e^x$$

as initial condition.

# Burgers' equation with source term: preservation of a stationary solution



Figure: Differences between the numerical solutions at time t = 8 and the stationary solution using a 200-cell mesh. Up-left: WBWENO3. Up-right: WENO3. Down-left: WB3. WENO5. Down-right: WENO5

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	WENO3		WBWENO3
Cells	Error Order		Error
100	1.9044E-06	-	8.9928E-17
200	2.4762E-07	2.94	1.4543E-16
400	3.1550E-08	2.97	1.5304E-14
800	3.9817E-09	2.98	1.6560E-14

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm and convergence rates for WB3 and WBWENO3 at time t = 8.

	WENO	WBWENO5	
Cells	Error Order		Error
20	7.7695E-07 -		2.2759e-16
40	3.5170E-09	7.78	1.5543e-16
80	2.0005E-10	4.13	1.1657e-16
160	1.0352E-11	4.27	2.9559e-16

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm and convergence rates for WENO5 and WBWENO5 at time t = 8.

## Burgers' equation with source term: preservation of a stationary solution with oscillatory smooth H

Let us consider now:

$$H(x) = x + 0.1 \sin(100x).$$

The stationary solution

$$u(x)=e^{x+0.1\sin(100x)},$$

is taken as initial condition.



Figure: Graph of the function H (left) and stationary solution (right)

## Burgers' equation with source term: preservation of a stationary solution with oscillatory smooth H



Figure: Exact solution and numerical solutions obtained at time t = 1 and a mesh of 100 cells. Left: WBWENO3, WENO3. Right: WBWENO5, WENO5

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We consider now the initial condition.

$$u_0(x) = e^{x+0.1\sin(100x)} + 0.1e^{-200(x+5)^2},$$



Figure: Initial condition. Left: graph. Right: difference with the stationary solution

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Figure: Reference and numerical solutions obtained with WBWENO3 and WBWENO5 at time t = 1 and a mesh of 100 cells. Left: graphs. Right: difference with the stationary solutions

- Three different numerical methods are considered for the shallow water system:
  - WENOp: standard WENO reconstruction and standard treatment of the source term.
  - WBWENOp: FEWB WENO method.
  - WBWARWENOp: methods that preserve water at rest stationary solutions
- In one test case two other versions are considered:
  - WB1WENOp: method that only preserves one given stationary solution.
  - WBMCWENOp: methods that preserve every stationary solutions and the total mass.

We consider the shallow water system with the bottom depth given by

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} -0.25(1 + \cos(5\pi x)) & \text{if } -0.2 \le x \le 0.2; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise}; \end{cases}$$
(17)

and we take as initial condition the subcritical stationary solution  $(h^*, q^*)$  characterized by

$$q^* = 2.5.$$
  $h^*(-3) = 2.$ 



Figure: Subcritical stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Zoom of the differences between the numerical solutions obtained at time t = 4. with WBWENOp, WBWARWENp, and WENO3p, p = 3 (left) and p = 5 (right), using a mesh of 100 cells and the exact solution: surface elevation (top) and discharge (bottom)



Figure: Numerical results for the variable q at t = 4. using a mesh of 100 cells with WBWENOp, WBWARWENp, and WENOp, p = 3 (left) and p = 5 (right): general view (top) and zoom close to x = 0 (bottom).

	WBWENO3	WBWARWENO3		WENO3	
Cells	Error	Error	Order	Error	Order
50	0	4.9069E-2	-	3.6778E-1	-
100	2.8110E-15	2.3981E-2	1.03	9.3955E-2	1.968
200	2.6378E-15	4.3491E-3	2.46	1.3430E-2	2.806
400	4.6629E-17	5.9130E-4	2.8787	1.7931E-3	2.904

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm and convergence rates for WBWENO3, WBWARWENO3, and WENO3 at time t = 4.

	WBWENO5	WBWARWENO5		WENO5	
Cells	Error	Error	Order	Error	Order
50	0	3.3234E-2	-	4.1777E-1	-
100	2.6645E-17	7.5930E-3	2.129	5.1077E-2	3.031
200	4.6629E-17	4.7013E-4	4.013	3.8702E-3	3.722
400	4.6629E-17	2.5026E-05	4.231	4.18112E-4	3.210

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm and convergence rates for WB1WENO5, WBWENO5, WBWCWENO5, WBWARWENO5, and WENO5 at time t = 4.

In this test case, a perturbation of size  $\Delta h = 0.02$  is added to the thickness *h* in the interval [-0.4, -0.3] at t = 0.



Figure: Initial perturbation: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Zoom of the differences between the numerical solutions obtained at time t = 0.15 using a mesh of 200 points and the stationary solution. WBWENO*p*, WBWARWENO*p*, WENO*p*, p = 3 (left) and p = 5 (right); surface elevation (top) and discharge (down).

· We consider now a discontinuous topography given by the depth function

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} -0.25(1 + \cos(5\pi(x+1.2))) & \text{if } -1.4 \le x \le -1, \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 0; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
(18)

 We take now as initial condition the transcritical admissible stationary solution characterized by:

$$q^* = 2.5, \quad h^*(0) = \frac{(2.5)^{2/3}}{g^{1/3}}$$

that is subcritical at the left of x = 0 and supercritical at its right.

WBWENO3	WENO3	WBWENO5	WENO5
7.9602E-16	1.3178	7.9602e-16	0.6229

Table: Errors in  $L^1$  norm for WB1WENOp, WBWENOp, and WENOp, p = 3, 5 at time t = 4.



Figure: Transcritical stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and velocity (bottom)



Figure: Numerical solutions obtained at time t = 4. with WBWENO3, and WENO3 using a mesh of 100 cells: surface elevation (top) and velocity (bottom). Right: Difference between the numerical solutions and the stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Numerical solutions obtained at time t = 4. with WBWENO5, and WENO5 using a mesh of 100 cells: surface elevation (top) and velocity (bottom). Right: Difference between the numerical solutions and the stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Numerical solutions obtained at time t = 0.2 with WB1WENO3, WBWENO3, and WENO3 using a mesh of 300 cells: surface elevation (top) and velocity (bottom). Right: Difference between the numerical solutions obtained with WB1WENO3 and WBWENO3 and the stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Left: Numerical solutions obtained at time t = 0.2 with WB1WENO5, WBWENO5, and WENO5 using a mesh of 300 cells: surface elevation (top) and velocity (bottom). Right: Difference between the numerical solutions obtained with WB1WENO5 and WBWENO5 and the stationary solution: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)

In order to measure the mass conservation properties of the different methods and compare the computational cost, we consider now the depth function

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} 0.13 + 0.05(x - 10)^2 & \text{if } 8 \le x \le 12; \\ 0.33 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

and the initial condition

$$h_0(x) = h^*(x) + 0.5\chi_{[5,7]}, \quad q_0(x) = 1,$$

where  $h^*(x)$  is the thickness corresponding to the stationary solution characterized by

$$q^* = 1, \quad h^*(10) = 1,$$

and  $\chi_{[a,b]}$  denotes the characteristic function of an interval [a, b].



Figure: Initial condition: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)



Figure: Numerical solutions obtained at time t = 2.5 with WBWENO3 and WBMCWENO3 using a mesh of 200 cells: surface elevation (top) and mass-flow (bottom)

WENO3	WBWENO3	WB1WENO3	WBWARWENO3	WBMCWENO3
8.1062E-15	9.5985E-06	7.3825E-15	8.54056E-15	7.3825E-15

Table: Maximum relative deviation of the total mass.



Figure: Evolution of the relative deviation of the total mass with time for WBWENO3 and WBWENO5



Figure: CPU times as a function of  $log_2(N)$  for WENOP, WBWARWENOp and WBWENOp, p = 3, 5

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$$\mathcal{F}_j = F(U_j) - F(U_{i,j}^*), \quad j = i - 1 - r, \dots, i + s,$$

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