

Nonlinear free energy diminishing schemes for convection-diffusion equations : convergence and long time behaviour

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About convection-diffusion equations

Model problem : Fokker-Planck equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{J} = 0, & \mathbf{J} = \Lambda(-\nabla u - u\nabla V), \text{ in } \Omega \times (0, T) \\ + \text{boundary conditions (Dirichlet on } \Gamma^D / \text{no-flux on } \Gamma^N) \\ u(\cdot, 0) = u_0 \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Examples

- Semiconductor models, corrosion models
 - ⇒ $\Lambda = \mathbf{I}$
 - ⇒ coupling with a Poisson equation for V
- Porous media flow
 - ⇒ Λ bounded, symmetric and uniformly elliptic
 - ⇒ $V = gz$

Assumptions : $V \in C^1(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^+)$, $\int_{\Omega} u_0 > 0$.

Structural properties

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{J} = 0, & \mathbf{J} = \Lambda(-\nabla u - u\nabla V), \\ u(\cdot, 0) = u_0 \geq 0 & + \text{boundary conditions} \end{cases}$$

- Existence and uniqueness of the solution
- Nonnegativity of u , mass conservation if $\Gamma^D = \emptyset$
- Existence of a thermal equilibrium :

$$u_\infty = \lambda e^{-V} (\implies \mathbf{J} = 0)$$

\implies if $\Gamma^D = \emptyset$,

$$\lambda = \frac{\int_{\Omega} u_0}{\int_{\Omega} e^{-V}}, \quad \text{so that} \quad \int_{\Omega} u_\infty = \int_{\Omega} u_0$$

\implies if $\Gamma^D \neq \emptyset$ and the boundary data u^D satisfy a compatibility assumption

$$u^D = \lambda e^{-V} \text{ on } \Gamma^D.$$

Long time behaviour of the Fokker-Planck equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{J} = 0, & \mathbf{J} = -\nabla u - u \nabla V, \\ \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma \text{ and } u(\cdot, 0) = u_0 \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad u^\infty = \lambda e^{-V}$$

Main result : exponential decay towards the steady-state

$$\|u(t) - u^\infty\|_1^2 \leq C(u_0, V) e^{-\kappa t}$$

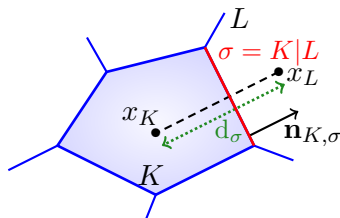
► Energy dissipation, with $E = \int_{\Omega} u \log(u/u^\infty)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} E = - \int_{\Omega} u \left| \nabla \log \left(\frac{u}{u^\infty} \right) \right|^2 = -4 \int_{\Omega} u^\infty \left| \nabla \sqrt{\frac{u}{u^\infty}} \right|^2$$

$$\text{as } \mathbf{J} = -u \nabla (\log u + V) = -u \nabla \log \frac{u}{u^\infty}$$

► Logarithmic Sobolev + Csiszar-Kullback inequalities

$\Lambda = \mathbf{I}$, TPFA B-schemes



Numerical fluxes

$$\mathbf{J} = -\nabla u - u\nabla V \implies \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma} \approx \int_{\sigma} (-\nabla u - u\nabla V) \cdot \mathbf{n}_{K,\sigma}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma} = \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_{\sigma}} \left(B(V_L - V_K)u_K - B(-V_L + V_K)u_L \right)$$

Examples of B functions

$$B_{up}(s) = 1 + s^-, \quad B_{ce}(s) = 1 - s/2, \quad B_{sg}(s) = \frac{s}{e^s - 1}$$

Hypotheses on B

- $B(0) = 1$ and $B(s) > 0 \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$,
- $B(s) - B(-s) = -s \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$.

$\Lambda = \mathbf{I}$, TPFA B-schemes : long time behaviour

$$\begin{cases} m(K) \frac{u_K^{n+1} - u_K^n}{\Delta t} + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K^{int}} \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma}^{n+1} = 0, \\ \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma} = \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_\sigma} \left(B(V_L - V_K) u_K - B(-V_L + V_K) u_L \right). \end{cases}$$

Properties

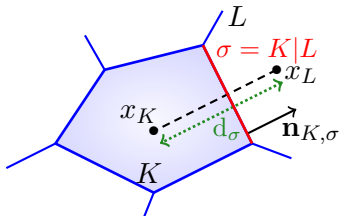
- Existence, uniqueness of the solution to the scheme
- Preservation of positivity, conservation of mass
- Existence of a steady-state $(u_K^\infty)_{K \in \mathcal{T}}$.
- The scheme preserves the thermal equilibrium iff $B = B_{sg}$:

$$u_K^\infty = \lambda \exp(-V_K) \implies \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma} = 0.$$

Exponential decay towards the discrete steady-state

□ C.-H., HERDA, submitted

Motivation



Main drawbacks of the TPFA scheme

- Admissibility of the mesh
- $\Lambda = \mathbf{I}$

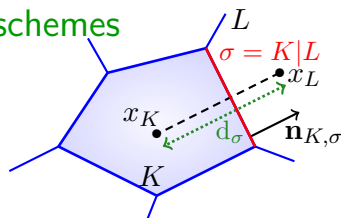
Requirements wanted for a new scheme

- To be applicable on almost-general meshes
- To be applicable for anisotropic equations
- To preserve thermal equilibrium
- To be energy-diminishing
- To ensure the positivity

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Principle of the nonlinear TPFA schemes



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Examples of r functions

$$r(x, y) = \frac{x + y}{2}, \quad r(x, y) = \frac{x - y}{\log x - \log y},$$

or other choices of mean value.

Principle of the nonlinear TPFA schemes

Some references about nonlinear schemes for linear equations

- BURMAN, ERN, 2004
- LE POTIER, 2005, CANCÈS, CATHALA, LE POTIER, 2013
- CANCÈS, GUICHARD, 2016

The nonlinear schemes for Fokker-Planck equations

$$\begin{cases} m(K) \frac{u_K^{n+1} - u_K^n}{\Delta t} + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_K^{int}} \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma}^{n+1} = 0, \\ \mathcal{F}_{K,\sigma} = \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_\sigma} r(u_K, u_L) \left(\log u_K + V_K - \log u_L - V_L \right) \end{cases}$$

The schemes preserve the thermal equilibrium

- $u_K^\infty = \lambda e^{-V_K}$ is a steady-state,
- λ is fixed by the conservation of mass.

Dissipativity of the nonlinear TPFA schemes

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Dissipation of some discrete entropies

- Φ , regular convex function,

- Discrete relative entropy : $\mathbb{E}_\Phi^n = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} u_K^\infty \Phi\left(\frac{u_K^n}{u_K^\infty}\right)$

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}_\Phi^{n+1} - \mathbb{E}_\Phi^n}{\Delta t} + \mathbb{I}_\Phi^{n+1} \leq 0$$

with

$$\mathbb{I}_\Phi = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_{int}} \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_\sigma} r(u_K, u_L) \left(\log \frac{u_K}{u_K^\infty} - \log \frac{u_L}{u_L^\infty} \right) \left(\Phi'\left(\frac{u_K}{u_K^\infty}\right) - \Phi'\left(\frac{u_L}{u_L^\infty}\right) \right)$$

Main results for the nonlinear TPFA schemes

A priori estimates and existence of a solution to the scheme

- Uniform bounds : $\Phi(s) = (s - M)^+$ and $\Phi(s) = (s - m)^-$,
with $M = \max(1, \max \frac{u_K^0}{u_K^\infty})$, $m = \min(1, \min \frac{u_K^0}{u_K^\infty})$
- Existence via a topological degree argument.

Towards the exponential decay

$$\Phi(s) = s \log s, \quad \mathbb{E}_\Phi^n = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}} u_K^n \log \frac{u_K^n}{u_K^\infty}$$

$$\mathbb{I}_\Phi = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_{int}} \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_\sigma} r(u_K, u_L) \left(\log \frac{u_K}{u_K^\infty} - \log \frac{u_L}{u_L^\infty} \right)^2 \geq \hat{\mathbb{I}}_\Phi$$

$$\text{with } \hat{\mathbb{I}}_\Phi = 4 \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}_{int}} \frac{m(\sigma)}{d_\sigma} \min(u_K^\infty, u_L^\infty) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_K}{u_K^\infty}} - \sqrt{\frac{u_L}{u_L^\infty}} \right)^2$$

► Discrete Logarithmic-Sobolev inequality : $\mathbb{E}_\Phi \leq C \hat{\mathbb{I}}_\Phi$

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Introduction to DDFV schemes

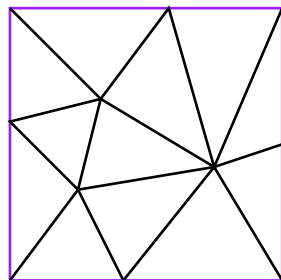
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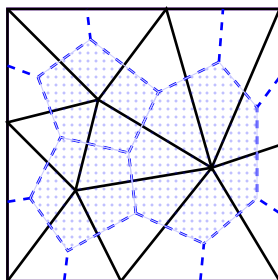
Principles (for diffusion equations)

- Unknowns located at the centers and the vertices of the mesh
- Discrete gradient defined on a diamond mesh
- Discrete divergence defined on primal and dual meshes
- Integration of the equation on primal cells and dual cells
- Discrete-duality formula

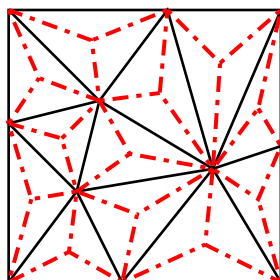
Meshes : primal, dual and diamond meshes



$\mathfrak{M}, \partial\mathfrak{M}$



$\mathfrak{M}^*, \partial\mathfrak{M}^*$



\mathfrak{D}

Space of discrete unknowns $\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$

$$u_{\mathcal{T}} = ((u_K)_{K \in \mathfrak{M} \cup \partial\mathfrak{M}}, (u_{K^*})_{K^* \in \mathfrak{M}^* \cup \partial\mathfrak{M}^*})$$

Space of discrete gradients $(\mathbb{R}^2)^{\mathfrak{D}}$

$$\xi_{\mathfrak{D}} = ((\xi_{\mathcal{D}})_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathfrak{D}})$$

Discrete operators and discrete duality property

Discrete gradient

$$\nabla^{\mathcal{D}} : u_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}} \mapsto (\nabla^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}})_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{D}} \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^{\mathcal{D}}$$

Discrete divergence

$$\operatorname{div}^{\mathcal{T}} : \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}} \in (\mathbb{R}^2)^{\mathcal{D}} \mapsto \operatorname{div}^{\mathcal{T}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}}) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$$

Scalar products and norms

$$[[v_{\mathcal{T}}, u_{\mathcal{T}}]]_{\mathcal{T}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{K \in \mathfrak{M}} m_K u_K v_K + \sum_{K^* \in \overline{\mathfrak{M}^*}} m_{K^*} u_{K^*} v_{K^*} \right),$$

$$(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}}, \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\mathcal{D}})_{\mathcal{D}} = \sum_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{D}} m_{\mathcal{D}} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\mathcal{D}}.$$

Discrete duality formula

$$[[\operatorname{div}^{\mathcal{T}} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}}, v_{\mathcal{T}}]]_{\mathcal{T}} = -(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}}, \nabla^{\mathcal{D}} v_{\mathcal{T}})_{\mathcal{D}} + \langle \gamma^{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\mathcal{D}}) \cdot \mathbf{n}, \gamma^{\mathcal{T}}(v_{\mathcal{T}}) \rangle_{\partial\Omega}$$

DDFV scheme for an anisotropic diffusion equation

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div} \mathbf{\Lambda} \nabla u = f \\ + \text{boundary conditions} \end{cases}$$

The DDFV scheme

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}^{\mathcal{T}} \left(\mathbf{\Lambda}_{\mathfrak{D}} \nabla^{\mathfrak{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}} \right) = f_{\mathcal{T}} \\ + \text{boundary conditions} \end{cases}$$

“Variational” formulation

$$(\mathbf{\Lambda}_{\mathfrak{D}} \nabla^{\mathfrak{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}}, \nabla^{\mathfrak{D}} v_{\mathcal{T}})_{\mathfrak{D}} = \llbracket f_{\mathcal{T}}, v_{\mathcal{T}} \rrbracket_{\mathcal{T}} \quad \forall v_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$$

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$$\text{with } (\xi_{\mathcal{D}}, \varphi_{\mathcal{D}})_{\Lambda, \mathcal{D}} = \sum_{D \in \mathcal{D}} m_D \xi_D \cdot \Lambda_D \varphi_D, \quad \Lambda_D = \frac{1}{m_D} \int_D \Lambda.$$

Structure of the scalar product of two discrete gradients

Discrete gradient

$$\nabla^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}} = \frac{1}{2m_{\mathcal{D}}} \left(m_{\sigma} (u_L - u_K) \mathbf{n}_{\sigma K} + m_{\sigma^*} (u_{L^*} - u_{K^*}) \mathbf{n}_{\sigma^* K^*} \right).$$

$$\delta^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}} = \begin{pmatrix} u_K - u_L \\ u_{K^*} - u_{L^*} \end{pmatrix}$$

Scalar product

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}}, \nabla^{\mathcal{D}} v_{\mathcal{T}})_{\Lambda, \mathcal{D}} &= \sum_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{D}} m_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}} \cdot \Lambda_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla^{\mathcal{D}} v_{\mathcal{T}}, \\ &= \sum_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{D}} m_{\mathcal{D}} \delta^{\mathcal{D}} u_{\mathcal{T}} \cdot \mathbb{A}_{\mathcal{D}} \delta^{\mathcal{D}} v_{\mathcal{T}}. \end{aligned}$$

Local matrices $\mathbb{A}_{\mathcal{D}}$

→ Uniform bound on $\text{Cond}_2(\mathbb{A}_{\mathcal{D}})$

Nonlinear formulation of the problem

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{J} = 0, \quad \mathbf{J} = -u \mathbf{\Lambda} \nabla (\log u + V)$$

How to approximate the current ?

- $V_{\mathcal{T}}$ given. For $u_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}}$, we define $g_{\mathcal{T}} = \log u_{\mathcal{T}} + V_{\mathcal{T}}$.
- $\nabla^{\mathcal{D}} g_{\mathcal{T}}$ has a sense.
- Reconstruction of u on the diamond mesh, $r^{\mathcal{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}})$

$$r^{\mathcal{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}) = \frac{1}{4}(u_K + u_L + u_{K^*} + u_{L^*}) \quad \forall \mathcal{D} \in \mathcal{D}$$

- We can define a discrete current on the diamond mesh :

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathcal{D}} = -r^{\mathcal{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}) \mathbf{\Lambda}_{\mathcal{D}} \nabla^{\mathcal{D}} g_{\mathcal{T}}.$$

The scheme (no-flux boundary conditions)

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{J} = 0, \quad \mathbf{J} = -u \mathbf{\Lambda} \nabla (\log u + V)$$

“Classical” formulation

$$\frac{u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} - u_{\mathcal{T}}^n}{\Delta t} + \operatorname{div}^{\mathcal{T}}(J_{\mathfrak{D}}^{n+1}) = 0, \quad J_{\mathfrak{D}}^{n+1} = -r^{\mathfrak{D}}[u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}] \mathbf{\Lambda}^{\mathfrak{D}} \nabla^{\mathfrak{D}} g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1},$$

$$m_{\sigma} J_{\mathfrak{D}}^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0, \quad \forall \mathfrak{D} = \mathfrak{D}_{\sigma, \sigma^*} \in \mathfrak{D}_{ext}.$$

Compact form

$$\left\| \frac{u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} - u_{\mathcal{T}}^n}{\Delta t}, \psi_{\mathcal{T}} \right\|_{\mathcal{T}} + T_{\mathfrak{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}; g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}, \psi_{\mathcal{T}}) = 0, \quad \forall \psi_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}},$$

$$T_{\mathfrak{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}; g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}, \psi_{\mathcal{T}}) = \sum_{\mathfrak{D} \in \mathfrak{D}} r^{\mathfrak{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}) \delta^{\mathfrak{D}} g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}^{\mathfrak{D}} \delta^{\mathfrak{D}} \psi_{\mathcal{T}},$$

$$g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} = \log(u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}) + V_{\mathcal{T}}.$$

Key discrete properties

$$\left[\left[\frac{u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} - u_{\mathcal{T}}^n}{\Delta t}, \psi_{\mathcal{T}} \right]_{\mathcal{T}} + T_{\mathfrak{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}; g_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1}, \psi_{\mathcal{T}}) \right] = 0, \quad \forall \psi_{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{T}},$$
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Mass conservation

$$\sum_{K \in \mathfrak{M}} m_K u_K^n = \sum_{K \in \mathfrak{M}} m_K u_K^0, \quad \sum_{K^* \in \overline{\mathfrak{M}^*}} m_{K^*} u_{K^*}^n = \sum_{K^* \in \overline{\mathfrak{M}^*}} m_{K^*} u_{K^*}^0$$

Steady-state

$$u_K^{\infty} = \rho e^{-V(x_K)}, \quad u_{K^*}^{\infty} = \rho^* e^{-V(x_{K^*})}$$

ρ, ρ^* ensuring the conservation of mass.

Energy-dissipation property $\frac{\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} - \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^n}{\Delta t} + \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{T}}^{n+1} \leq 0$.

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^n = \left[\left[u_{\mathcal{T}}^n \log \left(\frac{u_{\mathcal{T}}^n}{u_{\mathcal{T}}^{\infty}} \right), 1_{\mathcal{T}} \right]_{\mathcal{T}}, \quad \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{T}}^n = T_{\mathfrak{D}}(u_{\mathcal{T}}^n; g_{\mathcal{T}}^n, g_{\mathcal{T}}^n)$$

Consequences

- CANCÈS, C.-H., KRELL, 2018
 - Decay of the free energy + bounds
 - Further a priori estimates related to Fisher information
 - Positivity + lower bound of the approximate solution
 - Existence of a solution to the scheme
 - Compactness of a sequence of approximate solutions
 - Convergence (if penalization term)

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Test case

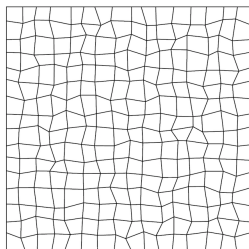
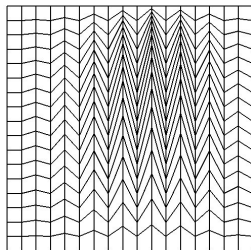
Data and solution

- $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$, and $V(x_1, x_2) = -x_2$.
- Exact solution, with $\alpha = \pi^2 + \frac{1}{4}$,

$$u_{\text{ex}}((x_1, x_2), t) = e^{-\alpha t + \frac{x_2}{2}} \left(\pi \cos(\pi x_2) + \frac{1}{2} \sin(\pi x_2) \right) + \pi e^{(x_2 - \frac{1}{2})}$$

- Initial condition : $u_0(x) = u_{\text{ex}}(x, 0)$.

Meshes



Convergence with respect to the grid

On Kershaw meshes

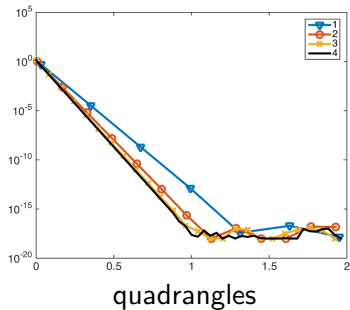
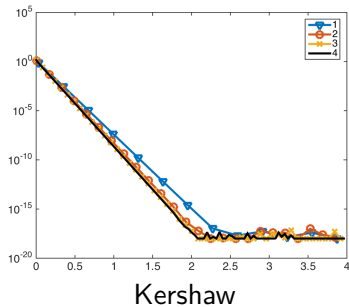
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1	2.0E-03	7.2E-03	—	9	2.15	1.010E-01
2	5.0E-04	1.7E-03	2.09	8	2.02	2.582E-02
3	1.2E-04	7.2E-04	2.20	7	1.49	6.488E-03
4	3.1E-05	4.0E-04	2.11	7	1.07	1.628E-03
5	3.1E-05	2.6E-04	1.98	7	1.04	1.628E-03

On quadrangle meshes

M	dt	erru	ordu	N_{\max}	N_{mean}	Min u^n
1	4.0E-03	2.1E-02	—	9	2.26	1.803E-01
2	1.0E-03	5.1E-03	2.08	9	2.04	5.079E-02
3	2.5E-04	1.3E-03	2.06	8	1.96	1.352E-02
4	6.3E-05	3.3E-04	2.09	8	1.22	3.349E-03
5	1.2E-05	7.7E-05	1.70	7	1.01	8.695E-04

Long time behaviour

Exponential decay of the discrete relative energy $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^n$



Conclusion

Results obtained for the nonlinear schemes

- well-posedness of the schemes
- preservation of the positivity / bounds
- preservation of the steady-state (thermal equilibrium)
- exponential decay towards the steady-state
- TPFA/DDFV schemes

Question

Is it possible to extend these techniques to high order methods?