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ABSTRACT

This paper extends the deterministic Lyapunov-based stabilisation framework to random hyperbolic systems of conservation laws, where uncertainties arise in boundary controls and initial data. Building on the finite-volume discretisation method from [M. Banda and M. Herty, *Math. Control Relat. Fields*, 3 (2013), pp. 121–142], we introduce a stochastic discrete Lyapunov function to prove the exponential decay of numerical solutions for systems with random perturbations. For linear systems, we derive explicit decay rates, which depend on boundary control parameters, grid resolutions, and the statistical properties of the random inputs. Theoretical decay rates are verified through numerical examples, including boundary stabilisation of the linear wave equations and linearised shallow-water flows with random perturbations. We also present the decay rates for a nonlinear example and for the linearised Saint-Venant system with source terms.

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1. Introduction

The study of stabilisation for hyperbolic systems has been an active field of research, particularly in the context of control theory and numerical analysis. A key aspect of the stabilisation analysis in hyperbolic partial differential equations (PDEs) involves feedback boundary conditions, which have been extensively studied in various contexts; see, e.g. Coron (2007) and Bastin and Coron (2016). These studies highlight the importance of well-posed boundary conditions in ensuring controllability and stabilisability. The interplay between analytical techniques and numerical discretisation methods has also been explored in Bardos et al. (1979), where finite-volume schemes are employed to preserve the stability properties of the continuous problem. Building on these insights, later studies have broadened the stabilisation toolbox by developing approaches based on Lyapunov functions, feedback boundary control, and further refined numerical discretisation techniques; see, e.g. Bastin et al. (2007), Coron (2007), Coron et al. (2007, 2008), T. Li and Rao (2009), T. Li et al. (2008), T. Li and Yu (2003), T. T. Li (2005), Xu and Sallet (2002), and Banda and Herty (2013). In particular, for the stabilisation of Saint-Venant system of shallow-water equations, substantial progress has been achieved in

the analysis of related models that incorporate source terms. For instance, dissipative boundary conditions for one-dimensional (1-D) nonlinear hyperbolic systems were investigated in Coron et al. (2008), while a Lyapunov-based framework for exponential stability of 1-D linear hyperbolic balance laws was developed in Diagne et al. (2012). Extensions to more complex systems, such as the Saint-Venant-Exner model, were studied in Diagne et al. (2017), where backstepping-based stabilisation techniques were proposed. More recently, numerical boundary feedback stabilisation for non-uniform hyperbolic balance laws was introduced in Banda and Weldegiyorgis (2020). These works highlight the importance of accounting for source terms and provide valuable insights into the stabilisation of the Saint-Venant system and related models.

Recent studies have introduced Lyapunov-based approaches to establish exponential stability for deterministic hyperbolic balance laws. These approaches provide a rigorous framework for analyzing the long-term behaviour of solutions in the presence of well-posed boundary conditions; see, e.g. Krstic and Smyshlyaev (2008). The application of discrete Lyapunov functions has been particularly successful in proving the stability of numerical schemes, as it allows for explicit stability

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bounds and decay rates under controlled settings; see, e.g. Banda and Herty (2013), Bastin and Coron (2016), and Meurer (2013).

This paper aims to bridge this gap by extending the Lyapunov-based stabilisation framework introduced in Banda and Herty (2013) to hyperbolic balance laws with stochastic perturbations. This extension is motivated by the increasing interest in stochastic PDEs and their applications in modelling uncertainties in physical systems, including fluid dynamics, traffic flow, and networked systems, where random variations must be accounted for in the stability analysis; see, e.g. Karatzas and Shreve (1991), Fleming and Rishel (1975), Holden and Risebro (2015), and Ghanem and Spanos (1991). While previous studies have extensively addressed deterministic stabilisation techniques, the extension to random systems remains relatively underdeveloped. The incorporation of randomness into the stabilisation framework introduces new mathematical challenges, particularly in the construction of appropriate Lyapunov functions that account for stochastic perturbations. Similar approaches were developed in the context of stochastic control theory, where Lyapunov techniques were adapted to random dynamical systems; see, e.g. Kushner (1967). By incorporating randomness into the framework established in Banda and Herty (2013), this study advances the theoretical understanding of stabilisation for stochastic hyperbolic balance laws and provides computational results that support the theoretical findings.

The rest of the paper is organised as follows. Section 2 provides a brief overview of the studied hyperbolic systems, outlining the governing equations and boundary conditions. In Section 3, we introduce the numerical discretisation scheme and present theoretical stability results using the proposed stochastic Lyapunov framework. Section 4 discusses generalisations of the stabilisation framework, including modifications of boundary conditions and extensions to broader classes of systems. In Section 5, we validate the theoretical findings through numerical experiments, including the stabilisation of linearised shallow-water equations under random perturbations. We also demonstrate the decay rates in a nonlinear shallow-water example. Moreover, we extend the analysis to random hyperbolic systems of balance laws with boundary damping, for which both theoretical results and numerical validations are presented; see Appendix 3. Finally, we give some concluding remarks and potential directions for future research in Section 6.

2. An overview of the studied hyperbolic systems

In this section, we give a brief introduction to the studied problem and refer the reader to Banda and Herty (2013) for more details.

We consider the following initial-boundary value problems for 1-D nonlinear hyperbolic PDEs:

$$\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})_x = \mathbf{0}, \quad x \in [0, 1], t \in (0, T], \quad (1)$$

with the initial conditions

$$\mathbf{u}(0, x, \xi) = \boldsymbol{\psi}(x, \xi), \quad x \in [0, 1], \quad (2)$$

and the boundary conditions, which will be specified later. In (1) and (2), t is the time, x is the spatial variable, ξ is the random variable, $\mathbf{u} = (u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(p)})^\top$ is the vector of unknowns, and $\mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ denotes a possibly nonlinear smooth flux function. The system (1) is assumed to be strictly hyperbolic, meaning that the Jacobian matrix $F(\mathbf{u}) = \partial \mathbf{f} / \partial \mathbf{u}$ has real distinct eigenvalues. For smooth solutions $\mathbf{u}(x, t, \xi)$, (1) can be rewritten in a quasi-linear form as

$$\mathbf{u}_t + F(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}_x = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{u}(0, x, \xi) = \boldsymbol{\psi}(x, \xi). \quad (3)$$

The eigenvalues of $F(\mathbf{u})$ are denoted by Λ_i , $i = 1, \dots, p$, and we assume that there exists m such that for any \mathbf{u} ,

$$\Lambda_p < \dots < \Lambda_{m+1} < 0 < \Lambda_m < \dots < \Lambda_1.$$

This classification allows us to define the decomposition of \mathbf{u} into components associated with positive and negative eigenvalues:

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+ \\ \mathbf{u}^- \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\mathbf{u}^+ \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{u}^- \in \mathbb{R}^{p-m}$ correspond to the positively and negatively propagating characteristics, respectively. Similarly, we decompose the flux function:

$$F(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} F^+(\mathbf{u}) \\ F^-(\mathbf{u}) \end{pmatrix},$$

where $F^+ : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$, $F^- : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(p-m) \times p}$. In addition, $G : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ is a possibly nonlinear boundary operator

$$G(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} G^+(\mathbf{u}) \\ G^-(\mathbf{u}) \end{pmatrix},$$

which determines how information propagates at the domain boundaries with $G^+ : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, and $G^- : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{p-m}$ representing the corresponding flux components.

As in Banda and Herty (2013), we adopt a general feedback-type boundary condition, which reads as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+(t, 0, \xi) \\ \mathbf{u}^-(t, 1, \xi) \end{pmatrix} = G \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}^+(t, 1, \xi) \\ \mathbf{u}^-(t, 0, \xi) \end{pmatrix}.$$

3. The discretisation scheme

In this section, we study the numerical schemes for boundary L^2 -stabilisation of 1-D nonlinear random hyperbolic systems. We first consider a simple case with $m \equiv p$, that is, $\Lambda_i > 0, \forall i$, $F(\mathbf{u})$ is diagonal, and G is a linear operator with $G_{ij} = 0, i \neq j$.

Proposition 3.1: Assume that F is diagonal for all $\mathbf{u} \in B_\varepsilon(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ where $B_\varepsilon(0)$ is an open ball in \mathbb{R}^p centred at the origin and with radius ε . Also assume that

$$F(\mathbf{u}) = \text{diag}(\Lambda_1(\mathbf{u}), \dots, \Lambda_m(\mathbf{u})), \quad \Lambda_i > 0, \\ \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}) \neq \Lambda_j(\mathbf{u}), \quad \forall i \neq j, \quad (4)$$

and the boundary conditions are prescribed as

$$\mathbf{u}(t, 0, \zeta) = \mathcal{K}\mathbf{u}(t, 1, \zeta), \quad (5)$$

where

$$\mathcal{K} = \text{diag}(\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_m), \quad \kappa_i > 0, \quad \forall i.$$

If $\max_{i=1, \dots, m} \kappa_i < 1$, then the equilibrium $\mathbf{u} \equiv 0$ for (3) with (4) and (5) is exponentially stable.

The proof of Proposition 3.1 immediately follows from the fact that $\rho(\mathcal{K}) = \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \kappa_i < 1$.

We now introduce the numerical discretisation. We assume that $\delta > 0$ is sufficiently small such that $M_\delta(0) \subset B_\varepsilon(0)$ with

$$M_\delta(0) := \{\mathbf{u} : |u^{(i)}| \leq \delta, \quad i = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

We introduce a uniform grid (x_j, ζ_k) for $j = 0, \dots, M$ and $k = 0, \dots, K$ with $x_{j+1} - x_j \equiv \Delta x$, $\zeta_{k+1} - \zeta_k \equiv \Delta \zeta$. The temporal grid is chosen such that the CFL condition holds

$$\lambda \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1, \quad \lambda := \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \max_{\mathbf{u} \in M_\delta(0)} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}) \quad (6)$$

and $t^n = n\Delta t$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$, where by possibly further reducing Δt , one can enforce $N\Delta t = T$.

Assume that the initial conditions $\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^0 = \boldsymbol{\psi}(x_j, \zeta_k), j = 1, \dots, M, k = 0, \dots, K$ are available. We then use the boundary conditions (5) to obtain $u_{0,k}^{(i),0} = \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),0}, k = 0, \dots, K$, and then evolve the solution in time by the upwind scheme used in Banda and Herty (2013):

$$u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} = u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n) \left(u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n} \right), \\ j = 1, \dots, M, k = 0, \dots, K, i = 1, \dots, m, \quad (7)$$

$$u_{0,k}^{(i),n+1} = \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad k = 0, \dots, K, i = 1, \dots, m. \quad (8)$$

Notice that the scheme (7)–(8) is nonconservative, but this is not a problem since in this paper we only consider smooth solutions of (1)–(2). It needs to be noted that if $u_{j,k}^{(i),n} \in M_\delta(0)$ then

$$0 < D_{j,k}^{(i),n} := \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n) \leq \frac{\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n)}{\lambda} \leq 1, \quad (9)$$

and the scheme (7)–(8) can be rewritten as

$$u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} = u_{j,k}^{(i),n} (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) + u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n} D_{j,k}^{(i),n}, \\ u_{0,k}^{(i),n+1} = \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),n+1}. \quad (10)$$

Proposition 3.2: Assume (4), (5), $|u_{j,k}^{(i),0}| \leq \delta$ for $i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, M, k = 0, \dots, K$, and $\max_{i=1, \dots, m} \kappa_i \leq 1$. Then the scheme (7)–(8) satisfies

$$|u_{j,k}^{(i),n}| \leq \delta, \quad \forall i, j, k, n.$$

Proof: We prove this proposition by induction. Assume that $|u_{j,k}^{(i),n}| \leq \delta$ and therefore $D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \in (0, 1]$. Then, (10) implies

$$|u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1}| = |u_{j,k}^{(i),n} (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) + u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n} D_{j,k}^{(i),n}| \\ \leq |u_{j,k}^{(i),n}| (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) + |u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n}| D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \leq \delta,$$

for all $i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, M$, and $k = 0, \dots, K$. In addition, (8) gives $|u_{0,k}^{(i),n+1}| = \kappa_i |u_{M,k}^{(i),n+1}| \leq \delta$, which completes the proof of the proposition. ■

Using Proposition 3.2 and (9), one immediately obtains that for all i ,

$$\max_{j,k,n} D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \leq \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \max_{\mathbf{u} \in M_\delta(0)} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}) =: D_i^{\max} \leq 1; \quad (11)$$

and

$$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(\boldsymbol{\eta}) \geq \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \min_{\mathbf{u} \in M_\delta(0)} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}) =: D_i^{\min} > 0, \\ \forall \boldsymbol{\eta} \in M_\delta(0). \quad (12)$$

Next, we obtain a bound on the discrete first spatial derivative, which is an expected result in view of the analytical bound on \mathbf{u}_x ; see e.g. Coron (2007).

Proposition 3.3: Assume (4) and (5), $|u_{j,k}^{(i),0}| \leq \delta$,

$$\left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),0} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),0}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta < 1, \quad (13)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$, $j = 1, \dots, M$, $k = 0, \dots, K$, and $\max_{i=1, \dots, m} \kappa_i \leq 1$. Further assume that

$$\left| \frac{u_{1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{0,k}^{(i),n}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta e^{n\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}},$$

with

$$J_{\max}^{(i)} := \max_{\boldsymbol{\eta} \in M_{\delta}(0)} \|\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} \Lambda_i(\boldsymbol{\eta})\|_{\infty},$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$, $k = 0, \dots, K$, and $n = 0, \dots, N$. Then the scheme (7)–(8) satisfies

$$\left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta e^{n\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}}, \quad (14)$$

for all $i = 1, \dots, m$, $k = 0, \dots, K$, $n = 0, \dots, N$, and $j \geq 2$.

Proof: We prove this proposition by induction. First, we write expressions for $u_{j,k}^{(i),1}$ and $u_{j-1,k}^{(i),1}$ using (7), subtract them, divide by Δx , and obtain that for $j \geq 2$, the following holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),1} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),1}}{\Delta x} \right| \\ & \leq (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),0}) \left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),0} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),0}}{\Delta x} \right| \\ & \quad + D_{j-1,k}^{(i),0} \left| \frac{u_{j-1,k}^{(i),0} - u_{j-2,k}^{(i),0}}{\Delta x} \right| \\ & \stackrel{(13)}{\leq} \delta \left(1 - \left(D_{j,k}^{(i),0} - D_{j-1,k}^{(i),0} \right) \right) \\ & \stackrel{(9)}{\leq} \delta \left(1 + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^0) - \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j-1,k}^0)| \right) \\ & \stackrel{(13)}{\leq} \delta (1 + \Delta t J_{\max}^{(i)}) \leq \delta e^{\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Assume now that (14) holds at all time levels until $t = t^n$. Repeating the previous computations for the difference between $u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1}$ and $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ for $j \geq 2$, results in

$$\left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n+1}}{\Delta x} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{(7),(13)}{\leq} \delta e^{n\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}} \left(1 - \left(D_{j,k}^{(i),n} - D_{j-1,k}^{(i),n} \right) \right) \\ & \leq \dots \leq \delta e^{n\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}} e^{\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}} = \delta e^{(n+1)\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of the proposition. \blacksquare

We now introduce the discrete Lyapunov function at time $t = t^n$ with positive coefficients μ_i , $i = 1, \dots, m$ as

$$\mathcal{L}^n = \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k), \quad (15)$$

where $\rho(\zeta)$ is the probability density function. As in the continuous case, the Lyapunov function can be bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{i=1, \dots, m} e^{-\mu_i x_M} \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & \leq \mathcal{L}^n \leq \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Theorem 3.4: Assume that (4) and (5) hold, then if κ_i and μ_i are bounded by

$$0 < \kappa_i < \sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\min}}{D_i^{\max}}}, \quad \mu_i \leq \ln \left(\left(\sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\max}}{D_i^{\min}}} \kappa_i \right)^{-2} \right), \quad (17)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$, and the following bounds on the initial and boundary values:

$$\begin{aligned} & |u_{j,k}^{(i),0}| \leq \delta, \quad \left| \frac{u_{j,k}^{(i),0} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),0}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta, \\ & \left| \frac{u_{1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{0,k}^{(i),n}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta e^{n\Delta t_{\max}^{(i)}}, \end{aligned}$$

are satisfied for $i = 1, \dots, m$, $j = 1, \dots, M$, and $k = 0, \dots, K$ with

$$\delta = \min \left\{ 1, \varepsilon, \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} \min_{i=1, \dots, m} \left\{ \frac{\mu_i D_i^{\min} e^{-T J_{\max}^{(i)}}}{J_{\max}^{(i)}} \right\} \right\}. \quad (18)$$

Then, for the numerical solution $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ defined by (7)–(8), the Lyapunov function (15) satisfies

$$\mathcal{L}^n \leq e^{-\nu t^n} \mathcal{L}^0, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad (19)$$

with

$$\nu = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} \min_{i=1, \dots, m} \left\{ \mu_i D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \right\}. \quad (20)$$

Moreover, $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ is exponentially stable in the discrete L^2 -norm, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & \leq \max_{i=1, \dots, m} e^{\mu_i x_M - \nu t^n} \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),0})^2 \rho(\zeta_k), \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

for $n = 0, \dots, N$.

Proof: First, we use (10) and an inequality $2ab \leq a^2 + b^2$ to show that

$$(u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 \leq (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) + (u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n})^2 D_{j,k}^{(i),n},$$

and hence

$$(u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \leq D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \left((u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right). \quad (22)$$

We then use the definition (15) and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n}{\Delta t} \\ & \stackrel{(22)}{\leq} \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \left((u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right) \\ & \quad e^{-\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & \leq \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \sum_{k=1}^K D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_{j+1}} \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K D_{1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{0,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_{j,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k) \right] \\ & \stackrel{(8)}{\leq} \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \sum_{k=1}^K D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right. \\ & \quad \left. e^{-\mu_i x_j} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K D_{1,k}^{(i),n} \kappa_i^2 (u_{M,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_{j,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we define a ghost value

$$D_{M+1,k}^{(i),n} := D_{M,k}^{(i),n}, \quad (23)$$

add and subtract $\frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K D_{M+1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{M,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{-\mu_i (x_M + \Delta x)} \rho(\zeta_k)$ to the right-hand side (RHS) of the previous inequality, which results in

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n}{\Delta t} \\ & \leq \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 (D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. e^{-\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K \left\{ D_{1,k}^{(i),n} \kappa_i^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} - D_{M+1,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i (x_M + \Delta x)} \right\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. (u_{M,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

According to the mean value theorem, there exists $\eta \in \text{conv}(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n, \mathbf{u}_{j+1,k}^n)$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} & = D_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \nabla_{\mathbf{u}} \Lambda_i(\eta) (\mathbf{u}_{j+1,k}^n - \mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n) \\ & = D_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \Delta t \sum_{\ell=1}^m \partial_{\mathbf{u}_\ell} \Lambda_i(\eta^{(\ell)}) \frac{u_{j+1,k}^{(\ell),n} - u_{j,k}^{(\ell),n}}{\Delta x} \\ & \stackrel{(14)}{\leq} D_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \Delta t \sum_{\ell=1}^m J_{\max}^{(i)} \delta e^{T_{\max}^{(i)}} \\ & \stackrel{(18)}{\leq} D_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \frac{\mu_i \Delta x}{2} D_i^{\min}, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$, $k = 0, \dots, K$, and $j = 1, \dots, M$ (for $j = M$, one needs to also use (23) to establish the last inequality in (25)).

Therefore, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \\ & \stackrel{(25)}{\leq} \left(D_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \frac{\mu_i \Delta x}{2} D_i^{\min} \right) e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - D_{j,k}^{(i),n} \\ & \stackrel{(12)}{\leq} D_i^{\min} (e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - 1) + \frac{\mu_i \Delta x}{2} D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \\ & \leq -\frac{\mu_i \Delta x}{2} D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x}. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Next, using (26) in (24) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n}{\Delta t} \\ & \leq -\frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{2 \Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \mu_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Delta x e^{-\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & + \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K \left(D_{1,k}^{(i,n)} \kappa_i^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} \right. \\ & \left. - D_{M+1,k}^{(i,n)} e^{-\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x)} \right) (u_{M,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \rho(\zeta_k). \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

The last term on the RHS of (27) is nonpositive since

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{1,k}^{(i,n)} \kappa_i^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} - D_{M+1,k}^{(i,n)} D_{M+1,k}^{(i,n)} e^{-\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x)} \\ & \stackrel{(11)}{\leq} D_i^{\max} \kappa_i^2 e^{-\mu_i x_1} - D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x)} \\ & = D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x)} \\ & \quad \left(\left(\sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\max}}{D_i^{\min}}} \kappa_i \right)^2 e^{\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x-x_1)} - 1 \right) \\ & = D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i(x_M+\Delta x)} \\ & \quad \left(\left(\sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\max}}{D_i^{\min}}} \kappa_i \right)^2 e^{\mu_i} - 1 \right) \stackrel{(17)}{\leq} 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n}{\Delta t} & \leq -\frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{2 \Delta t} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \mu_i \\ & \quad \Delta x e^{-\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \stackrel{(20)}{\leq} -\nu \mathcal{L}^n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n \leq -\nu \Delta t \mathcal{L}^n,$$

and by recursively applying the previous inequality, we end up with

$$\mathcal{L}^n \leq (1 - \nu \Delta t)^n \mathcal{L}^0 \leq e^{-\nu t^n} \mathcal{L}^0 = e^{-\nu t^n} \mathcal{L}^0.$$

Finally, the inequality (21) follows from (19) using the definition (15) and estimate (16). \blacksquare

Remark 3.1: From the proof of Theorem 3.4, we observe that its statement is also true in the case $-\sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\min}}{D_i^{\max}}} < \kappa_i < 0$, and we omit the proof for the sake of brevity. The case $\kappa_i = 0$ is a special case. Here, the boundary condition for the component i is equal to zero and this state is propagated through the domain. From the practical point of view, this is not interesting since the system would be controlled by precisely the state (namely zero), which it is intended to reach. The previous proof yields in the case $\kappa_i = 0$ no bound on the component μ_i . In the case $\kappa_i = 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$, we obtain exponential convergence for any rate $\nu > 0$.

Remark 3.2: Note that the results are independent of the choice of either a general or uniform probability density function since the decay rate ν is independent of the values of the probability density $\rho(\zeta)$ function.

4. Extensions of Theorem 3.4

In this section, we discuss some extensions and modifications of Theorem 3.4.

4.1 Extension of Theorem 3.4 to the case of linear F

In the linear case, a stronger result can be obtained. Assuming

$$F(u) = \text{diag}(\Lambda_i)_{i=1}^m, \quad \Lambda_i > 0, \quad \Lambda_i \neq \Lambda_j, \quad i \neq j \quad (28)$$

holds, then (6), (11), and (12), yield

$$\lambda = \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \Lambda_i, \quad D_{j,k}^{(i,n)} = D_i^{\max} = D_i^{\min} = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i.$$

Note that in this case, $D_{j,k}^{(i,n)}$ is independent of j, k , and n . Therefore, in the proof of Theorem 3.4, the estimate (14) on the discrete derivative of $u_{j,k}^{(i,n)}$ is not needed. Hence, one can use only Proposition 3.1 to derive the following estimate as in the proof of Theorem 3.4:

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}^{n+1} - \mathcal{L}^n}{\Delta t} \leq -\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \min_{i=1, \dots, m} \{ \mu_i D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \} \mathcal{L}^n.$$

Observe that compared with (20) an improved bound on the decay rate is obtained. Note that (17) reduces now to

$$0 < \kappa_i < 1, \quad \mu_i \leq \ln(\kappa_i^{-2}).$$

As one can see, all bounds are now independent of δ , and hence a finite terminal time T is not needed. The results of the discussion above are summarised in the following Theorem.

Theorem 4.1: Assume that (28) holds. For any $\kappa_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ such that $0 < \kappa_i < 1$, there exists $\mu_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, m$ such that for all initial data $\psi_{j,k}$ the numerical solution $\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n$ defined by (7)–(8) satisfies

$$\mathcal{L}^n \leq e^{-\nu t^n} \mathcal{L}^0, \quad n = 0, \dots, N,$$

for $\nu = \min_{i=1, \dots, m} \{ \Lambda_i \mu_i e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \}$ with $\mu_i \leq \ln(\kappa_i^{-2})$. Furthermore, $\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n$ is exponentially stable in the discrete L^2 -norm and (21) holds.

4.2 Extension of Theorem 3.4 to the case $m \neq p$

Recall that in Section 3, we assumed that $m = p$, that is, all transport coefficients $\Lambda_i(\cdot)$ were positive. When $m \neq p$, we consider a different Lyapunov function for the negative transport coefficients. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^n = & \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K e^{-\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & + \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=m+1}^p \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K e^{\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k), \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

where, as before, $\mu_i > 0$, $\forall i$, and it is assumed that for all $\eta \in M_{\delta(0)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_i(\eta) &> 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad \text{and} \\ \Lambda_i(\eta) &< 0, \quad i = m+1, \dots, p. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Furthermore, the discrete boundary conditions need to be modified accordingly, namely, we set

$$u_{0,k}^{(i),n} = \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),n}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad k = 0, \dots, K, \quad (31)$$

and

$$u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n} = \kappa_i u_{1,k}^{(i),n}, \quad i = m+1, \dots, p, \quad k = 0, \dots, K. \quad (32)$$

The upwind scheme is also different now. While (7)–(8) still can be used for $i \leq m$, for $i = m+1, \dots, p$, the upwinding direction changes and thus (7)–(8) should be replaced with

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j+1,k}^n) (u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j,k}^{(i),n}), \\ j &= 1, \dots, M, \quad k = 0, \dots, K, \\ i &= m+1, \dots, p, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

$$u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n+1} = \kappa_i u_{1,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad k = 0, \dots, K, \quad i = m+1, \dots, p. \quad (34)$$

Similarly, the CFL condition (6) and the definitions of $D_{j,k}^{(i),n}$, D_i^{\max} , and D_i^{\min} in (9), (11), and (12) should be adjusted to

$$\lambda \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \leq 1, \quad \lambda := \max_{i=1, \dots, p} \max_{\mathbf{u} \in M_{\delta(0)}} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u})|, \quad (35)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < D_{j,k}^{(i),n} &:= \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^n)| \leq 1, \\ D_i^{\max} &:= \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \max_{\mathbf{u} \in M_{\delta(0)}} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u})|, \end{aligned}$$

$$D_i^{\min} := \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \min_{\mathbf{u} \in M_{\delta(0)}} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u})|, \quad (36)$$

respectively.

We now consider $i \geq m+1$, and rewrite (33) as

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} |\Lambda_i(\mathbf{u}_{j+1,k}^n)| (u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j,k}^{(i),n}) \\ &\stackrel{(36)}{=} u_{j,k}^{(i),n} (1 - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n}) + D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n}, \end{aligned}$$

This leads to the following estimate:

$$(u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \leq D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} \left((u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right), \quad (37)$$

which can be derived precisely the same way (22) was obtained. We then multiply (37) by $e^{\mu_i x_j}$ and sum over j to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^M \left((u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right) e^{\mu_i x_j} \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^M D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} \left((u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right) e^{\mu_i x_j} \\ & = \sum_{j=1}^M (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 (D_{j,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \\ & \quad - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} e^{\mu_i x_j} - D_{1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{1,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{\mu_i x_0} \\ & \quad + D_{M,k}^{(i),n} (u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n})^2 e^{\mu_i x_M}) \\ & \stackrel{(23),(32)}{=} \sum_{j=1}^M (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 (D_{j,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n}) e^{\mu_i x_j} \\ & \quad + (u_{1,k}^{(i),n})^2 (D_{M,k}^{(i),n} \kappa_i^2 e^{\mu_i x_M} - D_{1,k}^{(i),n} e^{\mu_i x_0}). \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Next, assuming similar bounds on the discrete derivative of the initial and boundary values as in Proposition 3.3, the first term on the RHS of (38) can be bounded using

$$D_{j,k}^{(i),n} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} \leq \frac{\mu_i \Delta x}{2} D_i^{\min}.$$

The second term on the RHS of (38) can be bounded as before using

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{M,k}^{(i),n} \kappa_i^2 e^{\mu_i x_M} - D_{1,k}^{(i),n} e^{\mu_i x_0} \\ & \leq D_i^{\max} \kappa_i^2 e^{\mu_i x_M} - D_i^{\min} e^{\mu_i x_0} \\ & = D_i^{\min} e^{\mu_i x_0} \left(\left(\sqrt{\frac{D_i^{\max}}{D_i^{\min}}} \kappa_i \right)^2 e^{\mu_i} - 1 \right) \stackrel{(17)}{\leq} 0. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the last two estimates and proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 3.4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{\Delta t} \sum_{i=m+1}^p \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K \left((u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1}) - (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right) e^{\mu_i x_j} \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & \leq -\frac{\Delta x \Delta \zeta}{2\Delta t} \sum_{i=m+1}^p \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \mu_i \\ & \Delta x e^{\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \\ & \leq -\nu \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{i=m+1}^p \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K e^{\mu_i x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k), \end{aligned}$$

where ν is defined by

$$\nu = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} \min_{i=m+1, \dots, p} \left\{ \mu_i D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \right\}.$$

Hence, under suitable assumptions on the discrete gradients, there is an exponential decay without restriction on the sign of Λ_i .

We summarise the obtained results in the following theorem.

Theorem 4.2: *Assume that (17)–(18), (30), and (35) hold. We also assume that*

$$\left| \frac{u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{M,k}^{(i),n}}{\Delta x} \right| \leq \delta e^{n \Delta t J_{\max}^{(i)}}$$

is valid for $i = m+1, \dots, p$. Then, for the numerical solution $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ defined by (7)–(8) for $i = 1, \dots, m$ and by (33)–(34) for $i = m+1, \dots, p$, the Lyapunov function (29) satisfies (19) for ν given by

$$\nu = \frac{\Delta x}{2\Delta t} \min_{i=1, \dots, p} \left\{ \mu_i D_i^{\min} e^{-\mu_i \Delta x} \right\}. \quad (39)$$

Moreover, $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ is exponentially stable in the discrete L^2 -norm, that is, (21) is valid.

4.3 Extension of Theorem 3.4 to different boundary conditions

Let us consider a specific case with $m = 1, p = 2$, so that the Lyapunov function (29) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^n &= \Delta x \Delta \zeta \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K \left[e^{-\mu_1 x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(1),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \right. \\ & \left. + e^{\mu_2 x_j} (u_{j,k}^{(2),n})^2 \rho(\zeta_k) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

and $u_{j,k}^{(1),n}$ and $u_{j,k}^{(2),n}$ are computed by (7)–(8) and (33)–(34), respectively, with the following boundary conditions:

$$u_{0,k}^{(1),n} = \kappa_2 u_{1,k}^{(2),n} \quad \text{and} \quad u_{M+1,k}^{(2),n} = \kappa_1 u_{M,k}^{(1),n}, \quad (41)$$

which are different from (31)–(32).

In order to show the decay of \mathcal{L}^n and hence the L^2 -stability, we proceed by combining the proof of Theorem 3.4 and the results in Section 4.2. First, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^M \left((u_{j,k}^{(1),n+1})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(1),n})^2 \right) e^{-\mu_1 x_j} \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^M \left((u_{j,k}^{(2),n+1})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(2),n})^2 \right) e^{\mu_2 x_j} \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^M (u_{j,k}^{(1),n})^2 (D_{j+1,k}^{(1),n} e^{-\mu_1 \Delta x} - D_{j,k}^{(1),n}) e^{-\mu_1 x_j} \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^M (u_{j,k}^{(2),n})^2 (D_{j,k}^{(2),n} e^{-\mu_2 \Delta x} - D_{j+1,k}^{(2),n}) e^{\mu_2 x_j} + R, \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} R &= D_{1,k}^{(1),n} e^{-\mu_1 x_1} (u_{0,k}^{(1),n})^2 - D_{M,k}^{(1),n} e^{-\mu_1 x_{M+1}} (u_{M,k}^{(1),n})^2 \\ & + D_{M,k}^{(2),n} e^{\mu_2 x_M} (u_{M,k}^{(2),n})^2 - D_{1,k}^{(2),n} e^{\mu_2 x_0} (u_{1,k}^{(2),n})^2 \\ & \stackrel{(41)}{=} (u_{1,k}^{(2),n})^2 \left(D_{1,k}^{(1),n} \kappa_2^2 e^{-\mu_1 x_1} - D_{1,k}^{(2),n} e^{\mu_2 x_0} \right) \\ & + (u_{M,k}^{(1),n})^2 \left(D_{M,k}^{(2),n} \kappa_1^2 e^{\mu_2 x_M} - D_{M,k}^{(1),n} e^{-\mu_1 x_{M+1}} \right) \\ & \stackrel{(36)}{\leq} (u_{1,k}^{(2),n})^2 \left(D_1^{\max} \kappa_2^2 e^{-\mu_1 x_1} - D_2^{\min} e^{\mu_2 x_0} \right) \\ & + (u_{M,k}^{(1),n})^2 \left(D_2^{\max} \kappa_1^2 e^{\mu_2 x_M} - D_1^{\min} e^{-\mu_1 x_{M+1}} \right) \\ & = (u_{1,k}^{(2),n})^2 D_2^{\min} e^{\mu_2 (x_1 - \Delta x)} \\ & \quad \left(\left(\frac{D_1^{\max}}{D_2^{\min}} \kappa_2 \right)^2 e^{-\mu_1 x_1 - \mu_2 x_0} - 1 \right) \\ & + (u_{M,k}^{(1),n})^2 D_1^{\min} e^{-\mu_1 x_{M+1}} \\ & \quad \left(\left(\frac{D_2^{\max}}{D_1^{\min}} \kappa_1 \right)^2 e^{\mu_2 x_M + \mu_1 x_{M+1}} - 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, we choose $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \tilde{\mu}$, and hence, provided that

$$\kappa_2 < \sqrt{\frac{D_2^{\min}}{D_1^{\max}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \kappa_1 < \sqrt{\frac{D_1^{\min}}{D_2^{\max}}}, \quad (43)$$

there exists $\tilde{\mu}$,

$$0 < \tilde{\mu} \leq \frac{1}{2 + \Delta x} \left(\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{D_2^{\max}}{D_1^{\min}}} \kappa_1 \right)^{-2} \right),$$

such that $R \leq 0$. The remaining two terms on the RHS of (42) are estimated as in the proof of Theorem 3.4 and in § 4.2 (we omit the details for the sake of brevity), and we finally obtain the results summarised in the next theorem.

Theorem 4.3: *Let $m = 1$, $p = 2$, and the assumptions of Theorem 4.2 hold. Then, there exist $\mu_1 > 0$, $\mu_2 > 0$ such that for the numerical solution $u_{j,k}^{(1),n}$ and $u_{j,k}^{(2),n}$ defined by (7) and (33), respectively, with the boundary conditions given by (41) with κ_1 and κ_2 bounded by (43), the Lyapunov function (40) satisfies (19) for v given by (39). Moreover, $u_{j,k}^{(i),n}$ is exponentially stable in the discrete L^2 -norm, that is, (21) is valid.*

Remark 4.1: In this paper, we do not provide a detailed discussion of the well-posedness of random hyperbolic systems. We note that for each fixed realisation of the random variable, the system reduces to a deterministic hyperbolic system of conservation laws with smooth flux functions and well-posed initial-boundary value problems, for which the classical theory (see, e.g. Dafermos, 2016) applies. Since the random input enters only through the initial and boundary data, the standard well-posedness results can be invoked for each realisation, and our primary focus here is the numerical stabilisation analysis based on discrete Lyapunov functions.

5. Numerical results

In this section, we validate the theoretical estimates in Sections 3 and 4 on the linear advection equation and the linearised shallow-water equations. We also demonstrate the decay rates on an example for the nonlinear shallow-water equations. In all of the examples, we take $K = 100$. In Examples 5.1–5.5, we take the CFL number 1, while in Examples 5.6–5.8, we take the CFL number 0.5.

5.1 Boundary stabilisation of the linear advection equation

We first consider the linear advection equation

$$u_t + u_x = 0,$$

with $m = p = 1$ and $\Lambda_1 = 1$.

Example 5.1: In the first example, we consider the following initial and boundary conditions:

$$u(x, 0, \zeta) = -\frac{1}{2}(-\sigma + \zeta), \quad u(0, t, \zeta) = 0.75u(1, t, \zeta),$$

$$\zeta \in [-\sigma, \sigma], \quad \rho(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\sigma}.$$

We compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 12$ on a sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800$, and $1/1600$, and present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1$, and 2 in Table 1. One can clearly see that, as expected, the approximate values $\tilde{v} := -\frac{1}{T} \ln \frac{\mathcal{L}(T)}{\mathcal{L}^0}$ converge toward the theoretical values v defined by Theorem 4.1 as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$.

Example 5.2: In the second example, we use the same set-up as in Example 5.1, but with the following discontinuous initial data:

$$u(x, 0, \zeta) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}, & x < \frac{1}{4}, \\ -\frac{1}{2}(-\sigma + \zeta), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We also compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 12$ on the same sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800$, and $1/1600$. The obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1$, and 2 are presented in Table 2. As in Example 5.1, one can clearly see that the approximate values \tilde{v} converge toward the theoretical ones as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$.

5.2 Boundary stabilisation of the linearised Saint-Venant system

In this section, we consider the boundary damping for the linearised Saint-Venant system of shallow-water equations, which is inspired by many recent results on the continuous formulation; see, e.g. Bastin et al. (2007), Coron et al. (1999, 2007), and de Halleux et al. (2003). The primary goal is to control the water depth and velocity in an open canal or a network of canals. External factors such as weather variations or uncontrolled inflows can cause fluctuations in water depth, which must be mitigated to maintain a predetermined target depth \bar{h} and velocity \bar{v} . As in Coron et al. (2007) and de Halleux et al. (2003), we neglect the source terms. The target water state is a constant with $\bar{h}(x) = 4$ and $\bar{v}(x) = \frac{5}{2}$. To analyze small deviations from this steady state, the Saint-Venant system of shallow-water equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} h \\ q \end{pmatrix}_t + \begin{pmatrix} q \\ \frac{q^2}{h} + \frac{g}{2}h^2 \end{pmatrix}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $q = hv$, is linearised by introducing perturbations $(\delta h, \delta v)$ with $h = \bar{h} + \delta h$ and $v = \bar{v} + \delta v$. The resulting

Table 1. Example 5.1: The decay of $E := \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	3.61e-4	5.691e-1	5.721e-1	1.45e-3	5.691e-1	5.721e-1	5.78e-3	5.691e-1	5.721e-1
1/200	1.82e-4	5.722e-1	5.737e-1	7.26e-4	5.722e-1	5.737e-1	2.90e-3	5.722e-1	5.737e-1
1/400	9.09e-5	5.738e-1	5.745e-1	3.64e-4	5.738e-1	5.745e-1	1.46e-3	5.738e-1	5.745e-1
1/800	4.55e-5	5.746e-1	5.750e-1	1.82e-4	5.746e-1	5.750e-1	7.28e-4	5.746e-1	5.750e-1
1/1600	2.28e-5	5.750e-1	5.752e-1	9.11e-5	5.750e-1	5.752e-1	3.64e-4	5.750e-1	5.752e-1

Table 2. Example 5.2: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	2.37e-3	5.691e-1	5.721e-1	2.02e-3	5.691e-1	5.721e-1	6.62e-4	5.691e-1	5.721e-1
1/200	1.19e-3	5.722e-1	5.737e-1	1.01e-3	5.722e-1	5.737e-1	3.34e-4	5.722e-1	5.737e-1
1/400	5.95e-4	5.738e-1	5.745e-1	5.07e-4	5.738e-1	5.745e-1	1.68e-4	5.738e-1	5.745e-1
1/800	2.98e-4	5.746e-1	5.750e-1	2.54e-4	5.746e-1	5.750e-1	8.40e-5	5.746e-1	5.750e-1
1/1600	1.49e-4	5.750e-1	5.752e-1	1.27e-4	5.750e-1	5.752e-1	4.22e-5	5.750e-1	5.752e-1

diagonalised equations for these perturbations are given by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_t + \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (44)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_1 &= \bar{\nu} + \sqrt{g\bar{h}}, & \Lambda_2 &= \bar{\nu} - \sqrt{g\bar{h}}, \\ u^{(1)} &= \delta v + \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}} \delta h, & \text{and } u^{(2)} &= \delta v - \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}} \delta h. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Example 5.3: In this example, we consider the diagonalised Equations (44)–(45) with the following initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta h(x, 0, \zeta) &= \frac{1}{2} \sin(\pi x)(-\sigma + \zeta), \\ \delta v(x, 0, \zeta) &= \frac{20}{8 + \sin(\pi x)} - \frac{5}{2}, \quad \zeta \in [-\sigma, \sigma], \quad \rho(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\sigma}, \end{aligned}$$

subject to the boundary conditions $u^{(1)}(x, 0, \zeta) = 0.8 u^{(1)}(x, 1, \zeta)$ and $u^{(2)}(x, 1, \zeta) = 0.8 u^{(2)}(x, 0, \zeta)$.

We compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 6$ on a sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$, and present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1,$ and 2 in Table 3. The numerical experiments validate the theoretical results, confirming that the applied feedback boundary control effectively stabilises the system.

Example 5.4: In this example, we use the same set-up as in Example 5.3, but with a different, random velocity

perturbation:

$$\delta v(x, 0, \zeta) = \frac{10}{4 + \delta h} - \frac{5}{2}.$$

We compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 6$ on the same sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$, and present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1,$ and 2 in Table 4. The results support the theoretical predictions, demonstrating that the applied boundary control successfully stabilises the system.

Example 5.5: In this example, we use the same set-up as in Example 5.4, but with different boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u^{(1)}(x, 0, \zeta) &= 0.6 u^{(2)}(x, 0, \zeta), \\ u^{(2)}(x, 1, \zeta) &= 0.6 u^{(1)}(x, 1, \zeta). \end{aligned}$$

We compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 6$ on a sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$ and present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1,$ and 2 in Table 5. As in the previous examples, the applied boundary control stabilised the system. We also stress that this example validates the results stated in Theorem 4.3.

5.3 Boundary stabilisation of the nonlinear equations

In this section, we consider the same setting as in Section 5.2, but with different equations for the perturbations:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_t$$

Table 3. Example 5.3: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	1.23e-2	1.806	1.699	2.69e-2	1.807	1.699	8.53e-2	1.808	1.699
1/200	1.20e-2	1.810	1.703	2.63e-2	1.811	1.703	8.33e-2	1.812	1.703
1/400	1.18e-2	1.807	1.705	2.59e-2	1.808	1.705	8.21e-2	1.809	1.705
1/800	1.17e-2	1.801	1.706	2.57e-2	1.801	1.706	8.14e-2	1.802	1.706
1/1600	1.16e-2	1.796	1.706	2.55e-2	1.796	1.706	8.10e-2	1.797	1.706

Table 4. Example 5.4: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	5.36e-3	1.746	1.699	2.15e-2	1.746	1.699	8.67e-2	1.746	1.699
1/200	5.15e-3	1.750	1.703	2.06e-2	1.750	1.703	8.32e-2	1.750	1.703
1/400	5.02e-3	1.747	1.705	2.01e-2	1.747	1.705	8.11e-2	1.746	1.705
1/800	4.95e-3	1.740	1.706	1.98e-2	1.740	1.706	7.99e-2	1.740	1.706
1/1600	4.91e-3	1.734	1.706	1.97e-2	1.734	1.706	7.93e-2	1.734	1.706

Table 5. Example 5.5: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	9.38e-3	5.536	1.751	3.76e-2	5.536	1.751	1.52e-1	5.535	1.751
1/200	9.24e-3	5.511	1.764	3.70e-2	5.510	1.764	1.50e-1	5.510	1.764
1/400	9.17e-3	5.485	1.770	3.67e-2	5.485	1.770	1.49e-1	5.484	1.770
1/800	9.13e-3	5.469	1.773	3.66e-2	5.469	1.773	1.48e-1	5.469	1.773
1/1600	9.11e-3	5.460	1.775	3.65e-2	5.460	1.775	1.48e-1	5.460	1.775

Table 6. Example 5.6: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$.

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$		$\sigma = 1$		$\sigma = 2$	
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	E	$\tilde{\nu}$
1/100	6.92e-3	3.910	3.91e-2	3.907	1.09e-1	3.892
1/200	6.71e-3	3.931	2.68e-2	3.928	1.06e-1	3.912
1/400	6.59e-3	3.940	2.63e-2	3.935	1.04e-1	3.919
1/800	6.52e-3	3.935	2.60e-2	3.932	1.03e-1	3.919
1/1600	6.49e-3	3.930	2.59e-2	3.928	1.02e-1	3.915

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu} + \delta\nu + \sqrt{g(\bar{h} + \delta h)} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\nu} + \delta\nu - \sqrt{g(\bar{h} + \delta h)} \end{pmatrix} \\
\begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_x &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (46)
\end{aligned}$$

where $u^{(1)}$ and $u^{(2)}$ are defined by (45). Notice that the system (46) is nonlinear.

Example 5.6: In this example, we take the same setting as in Example 5.4 and compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 6$ on a sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$. The obtained results, presented in Table 6, demonstrate that the proposed boundary control is capable of stabilising the nonlinear system. We stress, however, that even though the numerical results demonstrate stability, a rigorous proof establishing the convergence properties of the CU scheme remains an open question. Note that the exponential stability of a general second-order slope

limiter scheme for scalar conservation laws subject to a dissipative boundary condition has been recently studied in Dus (2022).

5.4 Second-Order discretisation of the linearised Saint-Venant system

In this section, we apply the second-order semi-discrete central-upwind (CU) scheme from Kurganov and Lin (2007) and Kurganov et al. (2001) to the linearised Saint-Venant system (44)–(45) to demonstrate that faster convergence can be achieved when higher-order schemes are used. A brief overview of the 1-D CU scheme is provided in Appendix 1, while details on the computation of boundary conditions are discussed in Appendix 2.

Example 5.7: In this example, we take the same setting as in Example 5.4 and compute the numerical results

Table 7. Example 5.7: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	1.08e-4	1.702	1.699	4.33e-4	1.702	1.699	1.75e-3	1.704	1.699
1/200	1.07e-4	1.704	1.703	4.29e-4	1.704	1.703	1.73e-3	1.705	1.703
1/400	1.06e-4	1.712	1.705	4.26e-4	1.712	1.705	1.72e-3	1.712	1.705
1/800	1.06e-4	1.718	1.706	4.25e-4	1.718	1.706	1.72e-3	1.718	1.706
1/1600	1.06e-4	1.718	1.706	4.25e-4	1.718	1.706	1.72e-3	1.718	1.706

Table 8. Example 5.8: The decay of $E = \|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ together with the corresponding values of $\tilde{\nu}$ and ν .

Δx	$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$			$\sigma = 1$			$\sigma = 2$		
	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν	E	$\tilde{\nu}$	ν
1/100	1.09e-4	1.946	1.699	4.36e-4	1.946	1.699	1.76e-3	1.946	1.699
1/200	1.07e-4	1.952	1.703	4.31e-4	1.952	1.703	1.74e-3	1.952	1.703
1/400	1.07e-4	1.951	1.705	4.28e-4	1.951	1.705	1.73e-3	1.950	1.705
1/800	1.07e-4	1.944	1.706	4.27e-4	1.944	1.706	1.72e-3	1.944	1.706
1/1600	1.06e-4	1.937	1.706	4.26e-4	1.937	1.706	1.72e-3	1.937	1.706

using the CU scheme until the final time $T = 6$ on uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$. We present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1,$ and 2 in Table 7. Compared with the corresponding first-order results (see Table 4), the decay of E is now much faster and the values of $\tilde{\nu}$ are closer to the theoretical estimates ν . However, a rigorous proof of discrete convergence for the CU scheme or any other higher-order schemes remains an open problem.

5.5 Boundary stabilisation of the linearised Saint-Venant system with source terms

In this section, we consider a numerical example of the boundary damping for the linearised Saint-Venant system with source terms. We take the same setting as in Section 5.2, but with different equations, which read as

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_t + \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}_x \\ &= - \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where $u^{(1)}$ and $u^{(2)}$ are defined by (45).

Example 5.8: In this example, we use the same setup as in Example 5.4, compute the numerical results until the final time $T = 6$ on the same sequence of uniform meshes with $\Delta x = 1/100, 1/200, 1/400, 1/800,$ and $1/1600$, and present the obtained numerical results for $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}, 1,$ and 2 in Table 8. The results support the theoretical predictions provided in Appendix 3, demonstrating that the applied boundary control successfully stabilises the system.

6. Conclusion

In this paper, we have extended the Lyapunov-based stabilisation framework to random systems of hyperbolic conservation laws, where uncertainties arise from boundary controls and initial data. By integrating a stochastic discrete Lyapunov function into the numerical analysis, we rigorously established exponential stability for the finite-volume discretisation of these systems. Theoretical decay rates were derived, demonstrating their dependence on boundary control parameters, grid resolution, and the statistical properties of random inputs. We experimentally checked the stability of one nonlinear system, and the obtained results demonstrate convergence as well even though the rigorous proof is currently out of reach. We have applied the second-order central-upwind (CU) scheme to the linearised Saint-Venant system of shallow-water equations and compared its performance with the performance of the first-order upwind scheme. The conducted numerical experiments confirm that the CU scheme achieves much smaller values of $\|e^{-\nu t} \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}\|_\infty$ (which means that the obtained stability estimates are sharper) while maintaining stability. We have also experimentally checked the stability in one numerical example of the random hyperbolic system of balance laws, which demonstrates that the applied boundary control successfully stabilises the system. Future research directions include extending this framework to more complex nonlinear (nonconservative) systems and high-order numerical schemes.

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Appendices

Appendix 1. Central-Upwind (CU) scheme

In this appendix, we briefly describe the semi-discrete CU scheme, which was introduced in Kurganov and Tadmor (2000), Kurganov et al. (2001) (see also Chertkov et al., 2023; Chu et al., 2025; Kurganov & Xin, 2023 for recent low-dissipation modifications of the CU schemes) as a ‘black-box’ solver for general hyperbolic systems of conservation laws.

As CU schemes are finite-volume methods, the computed quantities are the cell averages, $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t) \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_j}^{x_{j+1}} \mathbf{u}(x, t) dx$, $j = 0, \dots, M-1$. The semi-discrete CU scheme from Kurganov et al. (2001) for the system (1) reads as

$$\frac{d\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t)}{dt} = -\frac{\mathcal{F}_{j+1,k}(t) - \mathcal{F}_{j,k}(t)}{\Delta x}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where the CU numerical fluxes are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{j,k}(t) &= \frac{a_{j,k}^+(t)f(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^-(t)) - a_{j,k}^-(t)f(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^+(t))}{a_{j,k}^+(t) - a_{j,k}^-(t)} \\ &+ \frac{a_{j,k}^+(t)a_{j,k}^-(t)}{a_{j,k}^+(t) - a_{j,k}^-(t)}(\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^+(t) - \mathbf{u}_{j,k}^-(t)). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A2})$$

Here, $\mathbf{u}_{j,k}^\pm(t)$ are the right/left-sided values of a global (in space) piecewise linear interpolant

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{u}}(x; t) &= \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(x; t) := \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t) + (\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(x - x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}), \\ x &\in (x_j, x_{j+1}), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A3})$$

at the cell interface $x = x_j$, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_{j,k}^-(t) &= \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j-\frac{1}{2},k}(t) + \frac{\Delta x}{2}(\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{j-\frac{1}{2},k}, \\ \mathbf{u}_{j,k}^+(t) &= \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t) - \frac{\Delta x}{2}(\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}. \end{aligned}$$

In order to ensure a non-oscillatory nature of this reconstruction, one needs to compute the slopes $(\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}$ in (A3) using a nonlinear limiter. In the numerical experiment reported in §4, we have used a minmod limiter (Lie & Noelle, 2003; Sweby, 1984):

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{j+\frac{1}{2},k} &= \min\text{mod}\left(\frac{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t) - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j-\frac{1}{2},k}(t)}{\Delta x}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{3}{2},k}(t) - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t)}{\Delta x}\right), \\ j &= 1, \dots, M-2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A4})$$

Here, the minmod function is defined as

$$\min\text{mod}(z_1, z_2, \dots) := \begin{cases} \min\{z_i\} & \text{if } z_i > 0 \quad \forall i, \\ \max\{z_i\} & \text{if } z_i < 0 \quad \forall i, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and applied in a component-wise manner.

We note that in order to apply the minmod limiter (A4) at the boundary cells, one needs to use the ghost values $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{-\frac{1}{2},k}(t)$ and $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{M+\frac{1}{2},k}(t)$, which may be unavailable for certain boundary conditions including those considered in this paper. Therefore, at the boundary cells, one can use a different minmod limiting:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{\frac{1}{2},k} &= \min\text{mod}\left(\frac{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{\frac{1}{2},k}(t) - \mathbf{u}_{0,k}^-(t)}{\Delta x/2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{\frac{3}{2},k}(t) - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{\frac{1}{2},k}(t)}{\Delta x}\right), \\ (\mathbf{u}_x(t))_{M-\frac{1}{2},k} &= \min\text{mod}\left(\frac{\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}(t) - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{M-\frac{3}{2},k}(t)}{\Delta x}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{\mathbf{u}_{M,k}^+(t) - \bar{\mathbf{u}}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}(t)}{\Delta x/2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A5})$$

where $u_{0,k}^-(t)$ and $u_{M,k}^+(t)$ are the one-sided boundary point values, which can be computed using the prescribed boundary conditions.

The one-sided local speeds of propagation $a_{j+\frac{1}{2}}^\pm(t)$ are estimated using the largest and the smallest eigenvalues of the Jacobian $F(u) : \Lambda_p < \dots < \Lambda_1$. This can be done, for example, by taking

$$\begin{aligned} a_{j,k}^+(t) &= \max \{ \Lambda_1(u_{j,k}^+(t)), \Lambda_1(u_{j,k}^-(t)), 0 \}, \\ a_{j,k}^-(t) &= \min \{ \Lambda_p(u_{j,k}^+(t)), \Lambda_p(u_{j,k}^-(t)), 0 \}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the ODE system (A1) has to be numerically integrated using a stable and sufficiently accurate ODE solver. In the numerical experiment reported in Section 4, we have used the three-stage third-order strong stability preserving Runge-Kutta (SSP-RK3) method (see, e.g. Gottlieb et al., 2011, 2001) and use the CFL number 0.45.

Appendix 2. Boundary conditions for the CU scheme

In this appendix, we consider the linearised Saint-Venant system of shallow-water Equations (44)–(45) to show how to compute the boundary values $u_{M,k}^\pm$ and $u_{0,k}^\pm$ needed to evaluate the CU numerical fluxes (A2) at the boundaries.

We assume that the solution (its cell averages and all of the cell interface values, including the boundary ones) is available at all times until a certain time level t . We also assume that at the time level $t + \tau$ (for the SSP-RK3 ODE solver τ may be either $\frac{\Delta t}{2}$ or Δt) the cell averages $\bar{u}_{j+\frac{1}{2},k}(t + \tau)$ have been already computed and our goal now is to obtain $u_{M,k}^{(1),\pm}(t + \tau)$ and $u_{0,k}^{(2),\pm}(t + \tau)$ since $u_{0,k}^{(1),\pm}(t + \tau)$ and $u_{M,k}^{(2),\pm}(t + \tau)$ can then be directly computed from the prescribed boundary conditions. Here, we show how to compute $u_{M,k}^{(1),\pm}(t + \tau)$ since $u_{0,k}^{(2),\pm}(t + \tau)$ can be obtained in a similar manner.

We begin with $u_{M,k}^{(1),+}(t + \tau)$, which can be calculated using the method of characteristics, namely,

$$u_{M,k}^{(1),+}(t + \tau) = \tilde{u}^{(1)}(x_M - \tau \Lambda_1, t). \quad (\text{A6})$$

Due to the finite speed of propagation and the CFL restriction on τ , the RHS of (A6) can be easily computed, which results in

$$u_{M,k}^{(1),+}(t + \tau) = \bar{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1)}(t) + (u_x^{(1)}(t))_{M-\frac{1}{2},k} \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2} - \tau \Lambda_1 \right).$$

To obtain the left-sided value $u_{M,k}^{(1),-}(t + \tau)$, we reconstruct the linear piece in the cell (x_{M-1}, x_M) :

$$\begin{aligned} &\tilde{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1),-}(t + \tau) \\ &= \bar{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1)}(t + \tau) + (u_x^{(1)}(t + \tau))_{M-\frac{1}{2},k} (x - x_{M-\frac{1}{2}}), \quad (\text{A7}) \end{aligned}$$

where the slope is computed as in (A5), namely, by

$$\begin{aligned} &(u_x^{(1)}(t + \tau))_{M-\frac{1}{2},k} \\ &= \text{minmod} \left(\frac{\bar{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1)}(t + \tau) - \bar{u}_{M-\frac{3}{2},k}^{(1)}(t + \tau)}{\Delta x}, \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \frac{u_{M,k}^{(1),+}(t + \tau) - \bar{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1)}(t + \tau)}{\Delta x/2} \right). \quad (\text{A8})$$

Finally, substituting $x = x_M$ into (A7)–(A8) results in

$$u_{M,k}^{(1),-}(t + \tau) = \bar{u}_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}^{(1)}(t + \tau) + \frac{\Delta x}{2} (u_x^{(1)}(t + \tau))_{M-\frac{1}{2},k}.$$

Appendix 3. Extension of Theorem 4.2 to random hyperbolic systems of balance laws

In this appendix, we study the L^2 -stabilisation of 1-D random hyperbolic systems of balance laws. We consider a simple case, which is given by

$$u_t + F(u)u_x = -Bu, \quad (\text{A9})$$

where the matrix B is diagonally positive definite, that is,

$$B = \text{diag}(b^{(1)}, \dots, b^{(m)}), \quad b^{(i)} > 0. \quad (\text{A10})$$

Making the same assumptions as in Theorem 4.2, the corresponding upwind scheme for the system (A9)–(A10) reads as

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(u_{j,k}^n) (u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n}) \\ &\quad - \Delta t b^{(i)} u_{j,k}^{(i),n}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A11})$$

$$u_{0,k}^{(i),n+1} = \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \Lambda_i(u_{j+1,k}^n) (u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} - u_{j,k}^{(i),n}) \\ &\quad - \Delta t b^{(i)} u_{j,k}^{(i),n}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A12})$$

$$u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n+1} = \kappa_i u_{1,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad i = m+1, \dots, p.$$

The scheme (A11)–(A12) can be equivalently rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \Delta t b^{(i)}) + u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n} D_{j,k}^{(i),n}, \\ u_{0,k}^{(i),n+1} &= \kappa_i u_{M,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A13})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1} &= u_{j,k}^{(i),n} (1 - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} - \Delta t b^{(i)}) + u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n}, \\ u_{M+1,k}^{(i),n+1} &= \kappa_i u_{1,k}^{(i),n+1}, \quad i = m+1, \dots, p. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A14})$$

Applying Jensen's inequality to (A13)–(A14) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 &\leq (1 - \Delta t b^{(i)}) \\ &\quad \left[(1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n} - \Delta t b^{(i)}) (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 + D_{j,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right] \\ &\leq (1 - D_{j,k}^{(i),n}) (u_{j,k}^{(i),n})^2 + D_{j,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j-1,k}^{(i),n})^2, \\ &\quad i = 1, \dots, m, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (u_{j,k}^{(i),n+1})^2 &\leq (1 - \Delta t b^{(i)}) \left[(1 - D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} - \Delta t b^{(i)}) (u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + D_{j+1,k}^{(i),n} (u_{j+1,k}^{(i),n})^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq (1 - D_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)})(u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 + D_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)}(u_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)})^2,$$

$$i = m + 1, \dots, p.$$

One can then obtain

$$(u_{j,k}^{(i,n+1)})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \leq D_{j,k}^{(i,n)} \left((u_{j-1,k}^{(i,n)})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \right),$$

$$i = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$(u_{j,k}^{(i,n+1)})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \leq D_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)} \left((u_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)})^2 - (u_{j,k}^{(i,n)})^2 \right),$$

$$i = m + 1, \dots, p.$$
(A15)

The estimates (A15) hold provided

$$D_{j,k}^{(i,n)} + \Delta t b^{(i)} \leq 1, \quad D_{j+1,k}^{(i,n)} + \Delta t b^{(i)} \leq 1,$$

which can be ensured by choosing a sufficiently small time-step Δt in the upwind scheme. Continuing the proof of Theorem 4.2 after formula (37), one arrives at the same estimated decay rate as in Theorem 4.2.

Remark A.1: It should be observed that the decay rate estimated in Theorem 4.2 serves as an upper bound for the decay rate of the system (A9)–(A10) considered in this appendix; see, e.g. Example 5.8.

Remark A.2: For simplicity, we restrict ourselves in this appendix to the case where the matrix B in (A9) is diagonal and positive definite. In fact, the conclusion still holds when the matrix B is positive definite, but not necessarily diagonal.