

INTRODUCTION

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Math-280: A Mathematical Introduction to Shock Waves

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Math 280 - "Mathematical theory of shock waves" ①

Compressible Euler Equations: (inviscid)
 $p = \rho(\gamma - 1)e$
 $E = \frac{1}{2}\rho u^2 + \rho e$

$$\rho_t + \text{div}(\rho \underline{u}) = 0$$

$$(\rho \underline{u})_t + \text{div}(\rho \underline{u} \underline{u} + p \underline{e}^i) = 0$$

$$E_t + \text{div}((E+p)\underline{u}) = 0$$

Notation	ρ = density
div	\underline{u} = velocity
$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u = u_t$	E = energy
$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} = u_{x^i}$	vol
	p = pressure

Derived Conservation Law for Entropy: $p = p(\rho, E) \Rightarrow$ 5 eqns in 5 unknowns

$$S_t + \text{div}(S\underline{u}) = 0$$

"nonlinear theory of sound waves"
 $p = p(\rho, S)$ eqn of state

History: written down \approx 1750 by Leonid Euler & "Explosion"


Problem 1 1687 Newton's Principia ~ give a continuum version of Newton's laws of motion (Newton got it wrong)

Problem 2 Explain/Predict sound wave propagation

Euler & D'Alembert in St. Petersburg Russia 1750
 D'Alembert introduce wave eqn $u_{tt} - c^2 \Delta u = 0$
 "eqn in which everything prop's with ^{sound} speed c "

\approx 1750, Euler introduced the nonlinear theory & linearized the equations to get wave eqn in density $\rho_{tt} - c^2 \Delta \rho = 0$. ②

Q: (open) Do the nonlinear eqn's support periodic soln's \approx sinusoidal soln's of linear wave eqn?

Appl: Compute flow over airfoil -  Accurate to neglect viscosity except on surface layer

1-D Case (Shock tube problem)

$$\rho_t + (\rho u)_x = 0$$

$$(\rho u)_t + (\rho u^2 + p)_x = 0$$

$$E_t + [(E+p)u]_x = 0$$

Derived Eqn: $S_t + \text{div}(S\underline{u}) = 0$

Need an equation of state to close the system

polytropic: $p = c e^{\frac{\gamma}{\rho} \rho} \rho^\gamma$ $1 < \gamma < 2$ $p = p(\rho, e)$
 $\gamma \approx 1.4$ models air at STP $p = p(\rho, S)$

③ Compressible Euler ~ Special case of a general nonlinear system of conservation laws:

• Multi-D: $u_t + \text{div} F(u) = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}_t + \text{div} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{F}_1(u) \\ \vdots \\ \vec{F}_n(u) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{F}_x = (F_1^1, \dots, F_n^1)$$

• 1-D Case: $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$

$$u = (u^1, \dots, u^n), \quad f(u) = (f_1(u), \dots, f_n(u))$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} f_1(u) \\ \vdots \\ f_n(u) \end{bmatrix}_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} p \\ m \\ E \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} pu \\ pu^2 + p(p, E) \\ E(p, u) \end{bmatrix}_x = 0$$

\uparrow conserved quantities \uparrow nonlinear fluxes \uparrow Euler conserved quantities \uparrow Euler fluxes

④ • Note: (we use u^i or u_i as convenient)

$$\begin{bmatrix} u^1 \\ \vdots \\ u^n \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} f_1(u) \\ \vdots \\ f_n(u) \end{bmatrix}_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow u_t + \underbrace{df(u)}_{\substack{\text{nxn} \\ \text{matrix} \\ \text{of partials}}} \cdot u_x = 0$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial u_1} u_x^1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial u_n} u_x^n \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial u_1} u_x^1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial u_n} u_x^n \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$df \cdot u_x$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial u^j} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_x^1 \\ \vdots \\ u_x^n \end{bmatrix}$$

• Problem: look for solutions $u(x, t)$

• Q: what are the issues? $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$ ⑤

Warmup Problem: Burgers' Eqn (Inviscid)

$$u_t + \left(\frac{1}{2}u^2\right)_x = 0 \quad f(u) = \frac{1}{2}u^2$$

$$u_t + uu_x = 0 \quad df = u$$

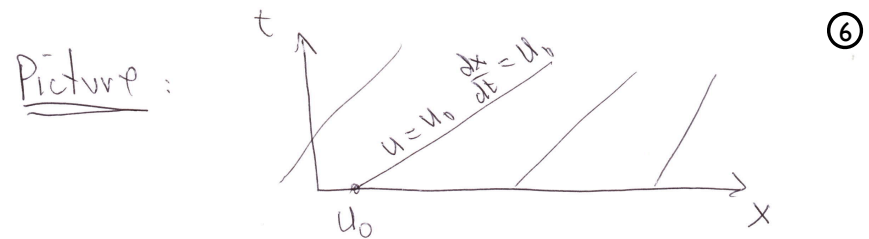
Nonlinearity \Rightarrow shock waves form in finite time

$$\textcircled{1} \quad u_t + uu_x = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla_{(u,t)} u(x,t) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) u(x,t) = 0$$

\Rightarrow Solutions are constant in direction $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ in x - t -plane

$\Rightarrow u(x,t)$ constant along lines of speed $\frac{dx}{dt} = u$

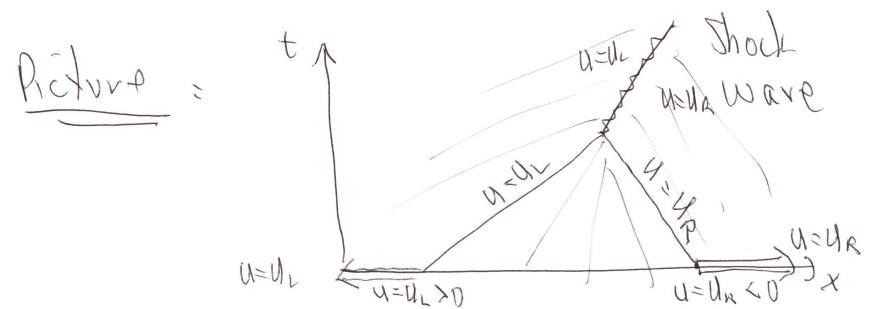


conclude: The initial value problem makes sense:

$u_t + uu_x = 0$ "constant values are propagated forward in time along characteristics $\frac{dx}{dt} = u \approx$

hyperbolic like the wave eqn except non-linear"

• Immediate consequence - "shock wave discontinuity form in finite time"



Q: How to continue the theory of solutions ^⑦
to include discontinuous soln's that model
shock waves?

② Shock Formation by PDE methods:
(Blowup of soln's)

• Assume a soln $u(x,t)$ of $u_t + uu_x = 0$ is
given. We derive condition under which
 $u_x \rightarrow \infty$ in finite time \approx shock

• Diff eqn (to get eqn for u_x):

$$u_{xt} + uu_{xx} + u_x^2 = 0$$

• Consider a characteristic: $x = x(t)$

$$\dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt} = u(x(t), t)$$

"u known \Rightarrow $x(t)$ is the solution of an
autonomous ODE"

• Our eqn holds along characteristic: ^⑧

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u_x(x(t), t) + u \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u_x(x(t), t) = -u_x^2(x(t), t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} u_x(x(t), t) \sim u_{xx} \frac{\dot{x}}{u} + u_{xt} \checkmark$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} u_x(x(t), t) = -u_x^2(x(t), t)$$

holds along characteristic $x = x(t)$. Let

$$v(t) = u_x(x(t), t)$$

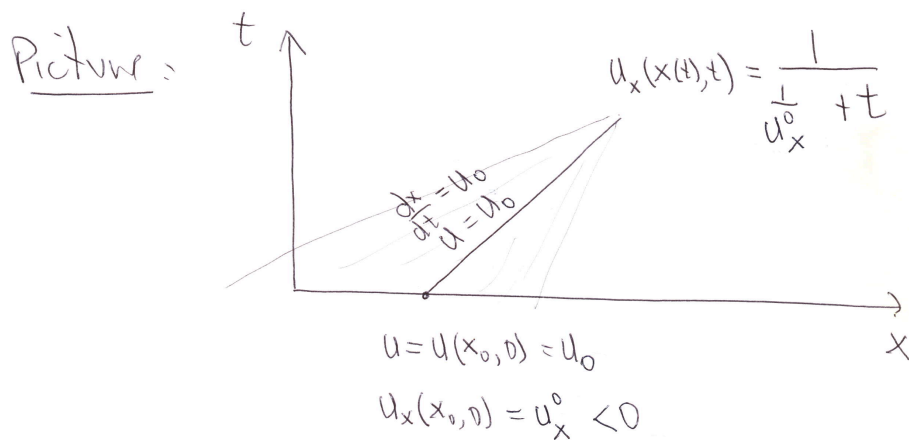
$$\Rightarrow \dot{v} = -v^2 \quad \text{Riccati Eqn}$$

$$\int_{v_0}^v \frac{dv}{v^2} = \int_0^t dt \Leftrightarrow -\frac{1}{v} \Big|_{v_0}^v = -t$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{v_0} = t \Leftrightarrow \boxed{v = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{v_0} + t}}$$

Conclude: $u_x(x(t), t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{u_x(x_0, 0)} + t}$ ⑨

∴ if $u_x(x_0, 0)$ is negative, then $u_x \rightarrow \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \frac{1}{u_x(x_0, 0)} \Rightarrow$ "blowup in derivative"



• Theorem: Let $u(x, t)$ denote a smooth solution of Burgers' Eqn $u_t + uu_x = 0$ defined in $t \geq 0$. Then the derivative "blows up" in time ⑩

$$T = \frac{1}{\max(-u_x^0)}$$

$u_x^0 =$ largest negative value of u_x at time $t=0$.

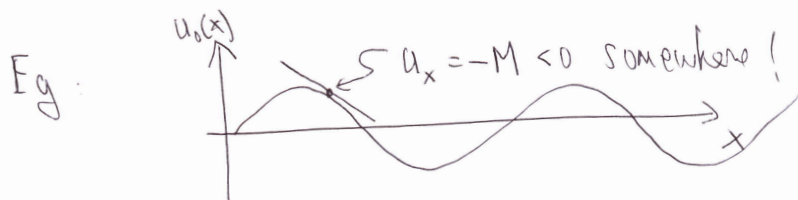
P.f. $u_x(x(t), t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{u_x(x_0, 0)} + t}$

Put in the max neg value of u_x initially & get shortest time to blowup u_x

$$T = \frac{1}{|\text{Max neg value of } u_x(x_0)|}$$

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Corollary: Periodic solutions of $u_t + uu_x = 0$
become discontinuous in finite time.



(FIP) Show that the same argument applies to
any convex cons. law $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$,
 $f''(u) > 0 > 0$.

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Q: Does this result extend to compressible
Euler equations?

Ans①: In 1950's Lax showed that a similar
blowup result holds for 2×2 system \approx p-system

Ans②: In 1970, Glimm & Lax proved: periodic
soln's of ~~compressible~~ 2×2 systems \approx p-system
form shock waves and decay like $O(\frac{1}{t})$

Ans③: For 3×3 Euler - still unknown

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Q: How to continue the notion of solution to allow for shock-waves?

Theory of Distributions - (Invented for linear equations)

"Multiply by a test fn & integrate by parts"

$$u_t + f(u)_x = 0$$

$$\iint_{\substack{-\infty < x < \infty \\ t \geq 0}} u_t(x,t) \phi(x,t) + f(u)_x \phi(x,t) \, dx \, dt$$

$\phi(x,t)$ smooth with compact supp ($\phi \in C^\infty$ & $\phi(x,t) = 0$ off a bounded set)

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Integrate by parts: (FIP)

$$\iint_{\substack{-\infty < x < \infty \\ t \geq 0}} u \phi_t + f(u) \phi_x \, dx \, dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x,0) \phi(x,0) \, dx = 0 \quad (*)$$

Hint: Use divergence Thm to derive a formula for integration by parts -

$$\text{Div Thm: } \vec{f}(\underline{x}), \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \iint_{\partial \Omega} \vec{f} \cdot \vec{n} \, dS = \iint_{\Omega} \text{div} \vec{f} \, d\underline{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \iint_{\Omega} f_i g_{x_i} \, d\underline{x} = - \iint_{\Omega} f_{x_i} g \, d\underline{x} + \int_{\partial \Omega} f g n_i \, dS$$

Issues ①

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= requires total deriv on every term!

$$u_t + uu_x = 0 \quad \text{no weak form}$$

$$u_t + \left(\frac{1}{2}u^2\right)_x = 0 \quad \text{has weak form}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}u^2\right)_t + \left(\frac{1}{3}u^3\right)_x = 0 \quad \text{has weak form but different from Burgers'}$$

Important to choose the physical conserved quantities. in weak formulation

Eg: Euler:
Correct conserved quantities:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ E \end{pmatrix}_t + \left(\right)_x = 0$$

Incorrect

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ S \end{pmatrix}_t + \left(\right)_x = 0$$

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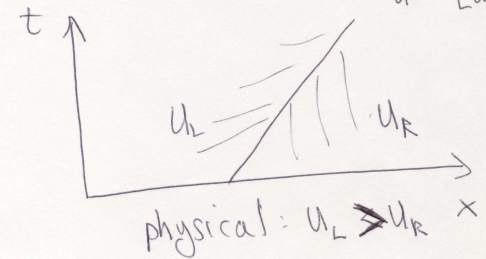
Issue ②: Shock waves introduce dissipation, time irreversibility, increase of entropy

Weak ~~eqn's~~ formulation requires an additional entropy cond:

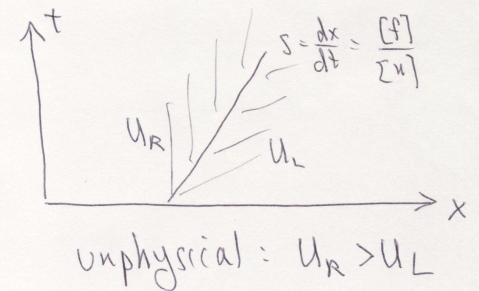
$$s = \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{[F]}{[u]}$$

Eg: Burgers'

Both meet weak eqn's



"Lax Char cond - char's should impinge on the shock"



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Topics In Class :

- ① Derivation of Euler Eqns \approx Continuum Mech's
- Polytropic Eqn of state
 - Linearize to get DeLambert's wave eqn
- (Ref: Hughes & Marsden, Gurtin, Dafermos..)

② Basic Theory of Cons. Laws

- $n \times n$ system $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$
- genuine / linearly nonlinearity / degenerate characteristic fields
- rarefaction waves, contact discontinuities / shock waves
- Entropy condition
- Riemann Problem (local & global for gas dynamics)
- Hugoniot Locus
- Initial Value Problem (Glimm's Method)
- Shock Profiles

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③ Shock Waves in General Relativity

- Intro to GR
- Israel Condition for shock matching
- Construction of exact soln (Te-Sm)
- Cosmology

Ref: Smoller Ch 17 (Shock waves & Reaction Diffusion Eqns)

Leveque - "Numerical Methods for Conservation Laws" Part I

D Serre - "Systems of Conservation Laws"

Dafermos / Bressan

- ④ Periodic Solutions - Dissipation Free Transmission of Sound Waves (open problem)
- it work with Young -