

A space-time smooth artificial viscosity method for nonlinear conservation laws: the C-method

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The C-method

- Nonlinear conservation laws with modified **artificial flux**:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{u}^\epsilon + \partial_x \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon) &= \tilde{\beta} \epsilon^2 \partial_x (\mathbf{C}^\epsilon \partial_x \mathbf{u}^\epsilon), & t > 0, \\ \frac{1}{S(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)} \partial_t C^\epsilon - \gamma \epsilon \partial_x^2 C^\epsilon + \frac{1}{\epsilon} C^\epsilon &= G(\partial_x u^\epsilon), & t > 0,\end{aligned}$$

- $\tilde{\beta} = \beta \frac{\max_{\mathcal{I}} |\partial_x u^\epsilon|}{\max_{\mathcal{I}} C^\epsilon}$ (convenient normalization for comparison)

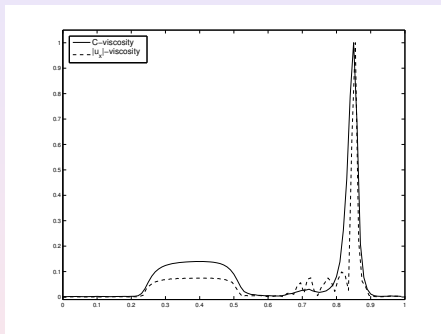
- $\beta = O(1)$

- Forcing function $G(\partial_x u^\epsilon) = \frac{|\partial_x u^\epsilon|}{\max_{\mathcal{I}} |\partial_x u^\epsilon|} \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_{(u_x < 0)}}_{\text{Compression Switch}}$

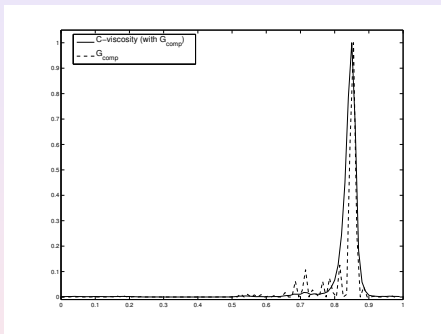
- Max wave speed $[S(\mathbf{u})](t) = \max_{i=1,2,3} \max_{x \in \mathcal{I}} \{|\lambda_i(x, t)|\}$

- $\gamma = 1$ or γ can be taken to be *inversely proportional* to M^-

Comparison of C vs $|\mathbf{u}_x|$



(a) Without compression switch



(b) With compression switch

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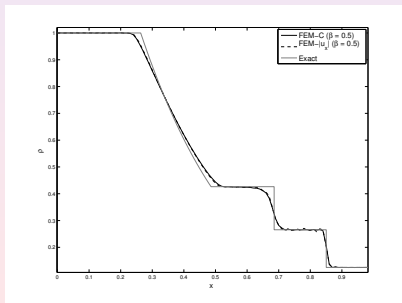
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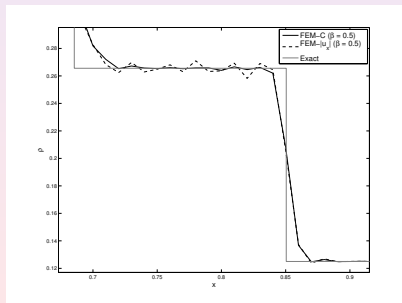
FEM-C Implementation

Sod shock tube

- 2nd-order continuous-Galerkin finite-element scheme
 - spatial discretization based on piecewise second-order Lagrange polynomials
 - implicit 2nd-order time-stepping (implicit RK2)
 - Fully nonlinear Newton iteration (faster than quadratic convergence)
- Sod shock tube experiment: FEM-C vs FEM with classical artificial viscosity at $t=.2$



(c) Complete density profile

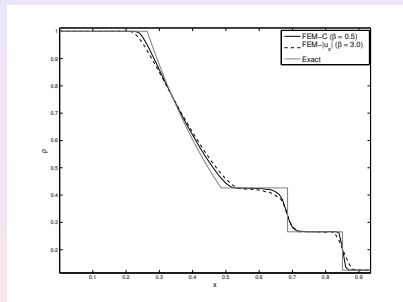


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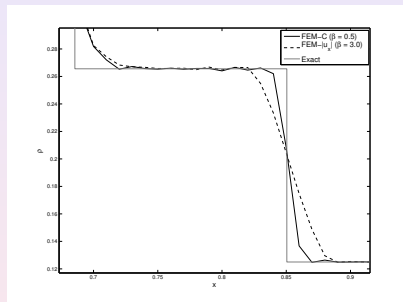
FEM-C: Sod Shock Continued

C vs $|u_x|$

- For similar smoothness using $|u_x|$ -diffusion coefficient, we need *six times as much viscosity*:



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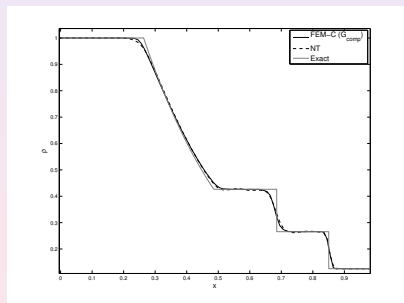
Figure 1: Comparison of FEM-C and FEM- $|u_x|$, for the Sod shock-tube experiment with $N = 100$, $T = 0.2$. $\beta = 0.5$ for FEM-C and $\beta = 3.0$ for FEM- $|u_x|$.

- Classical artificial viscosity smears shock across too many cells

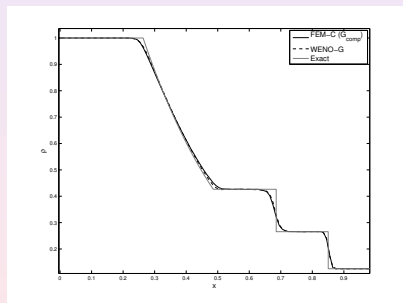
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FEM-C vs NT and FEM-C vs WENO-G

- NT (Nessyahu and Tadmor): 2nd-order, consistent, conservative, monotone scheme with no Riemann solvers – uses UNO limiter
- WENO-G: 5th-order WENO with Godunov solver of Rider, Greenough, & Kamm



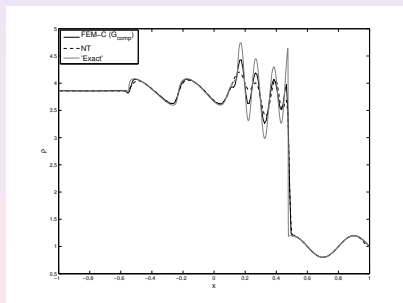
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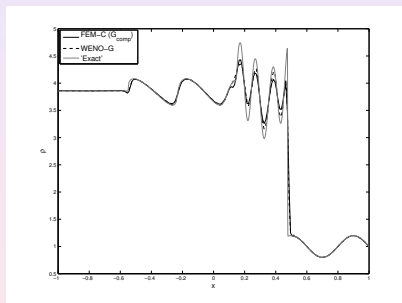
(b) FEM-C vs. WENO-G

The Osher-Shu Shock Tube Experiment

- **Initial Conditions:** $\begin{pmatrix} \rho_0(x) \\ m_0(x) \\ E_0(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.857143 \\ 10.14185 \\ 39.1666 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{[-1, -0.8)}(x) + \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 0.2 \sin(5\pi x) \\ 0 \\ 2.5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{[-0.8, 1]}(x)$
- Interaction of a **sinusoidal entropy wave** with a **shock wave**
- The goal is to sharply resolve the shock without damping the amplitude of sinusoidal oscillations



(c) FEM-C vs. NT



(d) FEM-C vs. WENO

Figure 2: Comparisons of FEM-C against NT and WENO schemes, for the Osher-Shu shock-tube experiment with $N = 200$ and $T = 0.36$.

Quantitative convergence studies

Refining the mesh for Sod and Osher-Shu

- L^1 error: $\|w - w^{exact}\|_{L^1} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |w_i - w_i^{exact}|$
- Greenough-Rider L^1 error $\|w - w^{exact}\|_{L^1_{G.R.}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|w_i - w_i^{exact}|}{|w_i^{exact}|}$

Table 1: L^1 -error Table: FEM-C for Sod Shock Tube

N	L^1 -error ($ u_x $)	Order	L^1 -error (C)	Order
100	6.765e-3	–	6.766e-3	–
200	3.4531e-3	0.97	3.365e-3	1.00
400	1.835e-3	0.91	1.752e-3	0.94
800	9.992e-4	0.87	9.362e-4	0.90

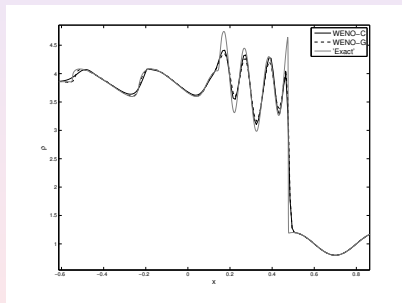
Table 2: L^1 -error: FEM-C for Osher-Shu. 'Exact' is 25, 600-cell WENO-LF

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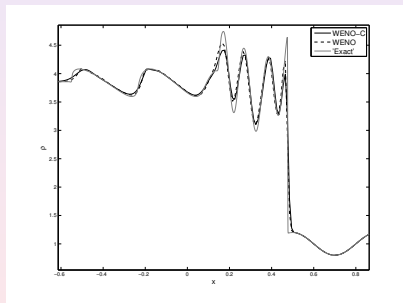
The WENO-C Scheme

Simple 5th-order WENO scheme together with the C -method

- **advection terms**: sign u chooses WENO-reconstruction
- **pressure terms**: higher-order centered differencing
- **artificial flux term** added only to momentum equation



(a) WENO-C vs. WENO-G



(b) WENO-C vs. WENO

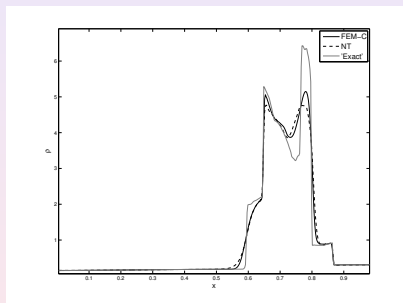
The Woodward-Colella Blast Wave Problem

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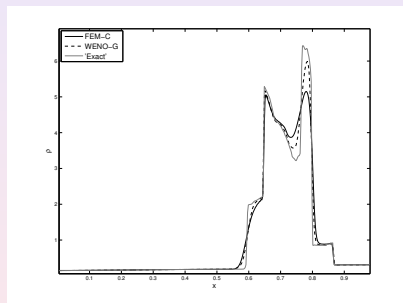
- **Initial Conditions:**

$$\rho_0(x) = 1, \quad m_0(x) = 0, \quad E_0(x) = 250 \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0.9,1]} + 0.25 \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0.1,0.9)} + 2500 \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0,0.1)}$$

- A fairly difficult test case – 2nd-order schemes do *not* do so well



(c) FEM-C vs. NT



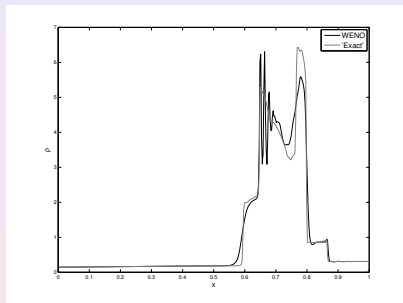
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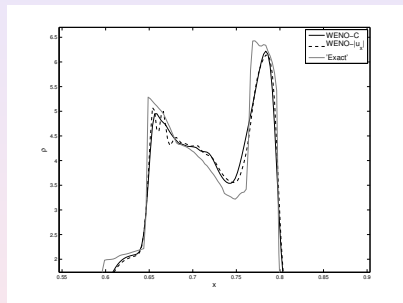
The Woodward-Colella Blast Wave Problem

Our simple WENO scheme with and without the C -method

- The C -method works well with simple WENO



(a) Simple WENO without C



(b) WENO- C vs WENO- $|u_x|$

Figure 4: Simple WENO with and without C -method applied to the Woodward-Colella blast-tube experiment with $N = 400$ and $T = 0.038$.

The Woodward-Colella Blast Wave Problem

A comparison of WENO-C vs WENO-G

- WENO-C and WENO-G (with Godunov solver) are pretty similar for W-C

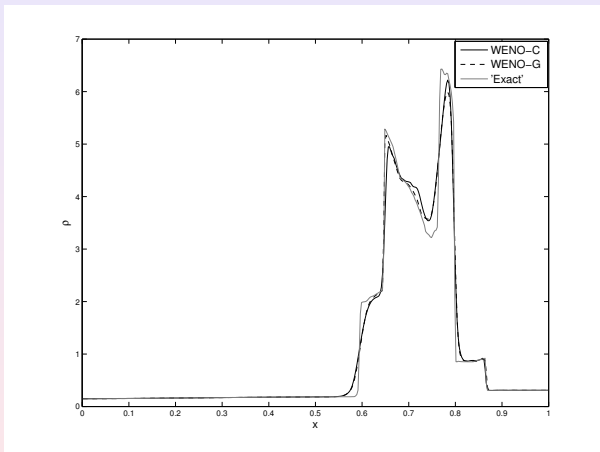


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Quantitative convergence studies for WENO-C

Refining the mesh for Woodward-Colella Blast Wave

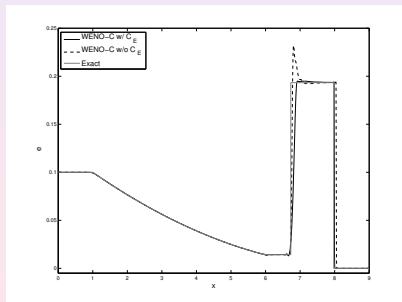
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N	L^1 -error (WENO-C)	Order	L^1 -error (WENO-G)	Order
200	1.324e-1	–	1.256e-1	–
400	7.606e-2	0.80	7.071e-2	0.83
800	4.432e-2	0.78	4.24e-2	0.74
1600	2.471e-2	0.84	–	–

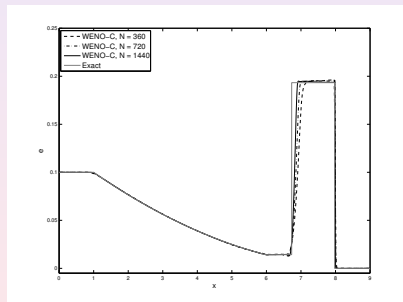
The Leblanc Shock-Tube Experiment

Strategy One: WENO-C with C_E

- **Initial Conditions:**
$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_0(x) \\ m_0(x) \\ E_0(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 10^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{[0,3)}(x) + \begin{pmatrix} 10^{-3} \\ 0 \\ 10^{-9} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_{[3,9]}(x)$$
- Numerically challenging experiment
 - Overshoot for the internal energy e at contact discontinuity
 - Inaccurate shock speeds
- We add a C_E -equation forced by $|\partial_x(E/\rho)| / \max |\partial_x(E/\rho)|$ in expansive region



(a) With and without C_E , $N = 1440$



(b) $\beta_U = 1$, $\beta_E = .15$

Figure 6: Internal energy for Leblanc shock-tube experiment at $T = 6$.

Convergence studies for WENO-C with and without C_E

Refining the mesh for Leblanc Shock Tube

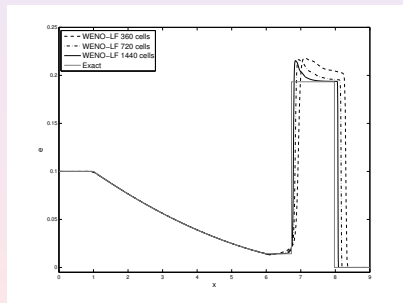
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720	4.452e-3	0.73
1440	2.491e-3	0.84

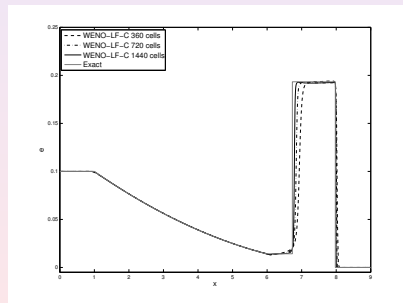
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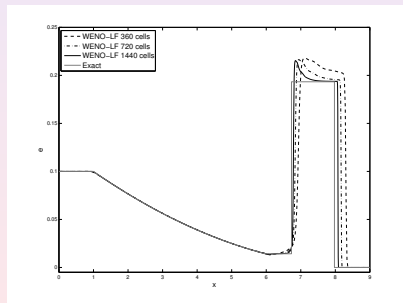
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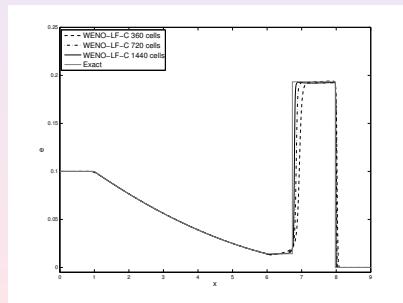
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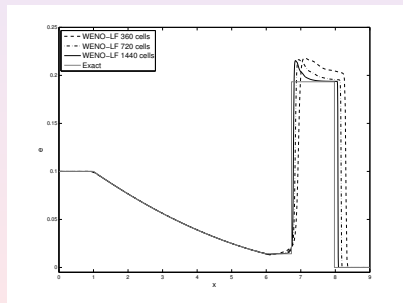
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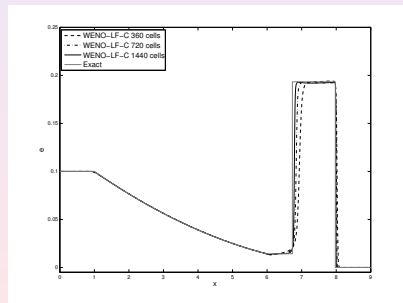
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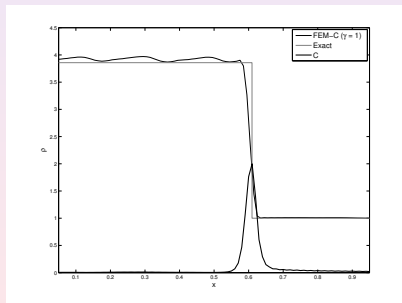
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720	3.193e-3	0.75	7.525e-3	0.81
1440	1.668e-3	0.94	3.885e-3	0.95
2880	8.656e-4	0.94	1.975e-3	0.97

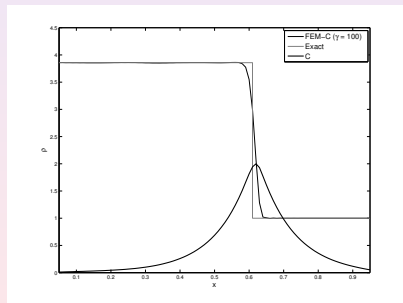
Slowly Moving Shocks

Downstream long-wavelength oscillations

- As noted by **Woodward & Colella (1984)**, **Roberts (1990)**, and **Quirk (1994)** downstream long-wavelength oscillations are present for very slowly moving shock waves
- Roberts concludes that a differentiable form of the numerical flux construction appears necessary to remove these
- $\frac{1}{S(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)} \partial_t \mathbf{C}^\epsilon - \gamma \partial_x^2 \mathbf{C}^\epsilon + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathbf{C}^\epsilon = G(\partial_x \mathbf{u}^\epsilon)$ – allow γ depend inversely on Mach number



(g) $\gamma = 1$



(h) $\gamma = 100$

Figure 7: FEM-C for a very slowly moving shock

The C-Method in Multi-D

Description for the 2-D compressible Euler equations

- Shock waves: $[[u \cdot n]] \neq 0$ and $[[u \cdot \tau]] = 0$ on $\Gamma(t)$
- Contact discontinuities: $[[u \cdot n]] = 0$ and $[[u \cdot \tau]] \neq 0$ on $\Gamma(t)$
- For simplicity, first assume that $\Gamma(t)$ is y -axis
 - $n = (1, 0)$ and $\tau = (0, 1)$
- In this case, the C-method is given by

$$\partial_t(\rho u^1) + (\rho u^1 u^j + p \delta^{1j})_{,j} = \beta_u \epsilon^2 [A^{rs}(\rho u^1)_{,s}]_{,r}$$

$$\partial_t(\rho u^2) + (\rho u^2 u^j + p \delta^{2j})_{,j} = \beta_u \epsilon^2 [A^{rs}(\rho u^2)_{,s}]_{,r}$$

$$\partial_t \rho + (\rho u^j)_{,j} = \epsilon^2 \beta_\rho [(C_1^1 + C_1^2) \rho_{,1}]_{,1}$$

$$\partial_t E + [(E + p) u^j]_{,j} = \epsilon^2 \beta_E [(C_1^1 + C_1^2) E_{,1}]_{,1}$$

where

$$A^{kl} = \sqrt{C_k^i C_i^j} \quad (\text{no sum on } i)$$

and C_j^i satisfy the matrix C-equation

$$\frac{1}{S(\mathbf{u})} \partial_t C_j^i - \gamma \Delta C_j^i + \frac{1}{\epsilon} C_j^i = \mathbf{1}_{\text{div } u < 0} \frac{|u^i_{,j}|}{\max |u^i_{,j}|}$$

The C-Method in Multi-D

Description for the 2-D compressible Euler equations

- Now for a moving $\Gamma(t)$ with time-dependent n and τ , set $Q = \begin{bmatrix} n^1 & n^2 \\ \tau^1 & \tau^2 \end{bmatrix}$
- In this setting, the matrix C is a smoothed version of $\begin{bmatrix} \partial_n(u \cdot n) & \partial_\tau(u \cdot n) \\ \partial_n(u \cdot \tau) & \partial_\tau(u \cdot \tau) \end{bmatrix}$ and n is found by *maximizing* the function $\|\nabla u(x, t) \cdot n(x, t)\|_{l^2}$
- The C -method takes the following form

$$\partial_t(\rho u^i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} (\rho u^j u^i + p \delta^{ij}) = \epsilon^2 \beta_u \left\{ Q_{1i} Q_{mr} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^r} \left[A_1^{mq} \rho Q_{qs} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^s} (Q_{1j} u^j) \right] + Q_{2i} Q_{mr} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^r} \left[A_2^{mq} \rho Q_{qs} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^s} (Q_{2j} u^j) \right] \right\}$$

$$\partial_t \rho + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\rho u^i) = \epsilon^2 \beta_\rho Q_{1i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left[(C_1^1 + C_1^2) Q_{1j} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x^j} \right]$$

$$\partial_t E + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} [(E + p) u^i] = \epsilon^2 \beta_E Q_{1i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left[(C_1^1 + C_1^2) Q_{1j} \frac{\partial E}{\partial x^j} \right]$$

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Convergence to Entropy Solution

- Consider the isentropic Euler equations: for $\gamma > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}(\rho u)_t + (\rho^{-1} m^2 + p)_x &= 0, \\ \rho_t + (\rho u)_x &= 0, \\ p(\rho) &= \rho^\gamma.\end{aligned}$$

- The C -method regularization is given by

$$\begin{aligned}m_t^\epsilon + [(m^\epsilon)^2 / \rho^\epsilon + p^\epsilon]_x &= \epsilon^2 [C^{\epsilon, \delta} m_x^\epsilon]_x, \\ \rho_t^\epsilon + m_x^\epsilon &= \epsilon^2 (C^{\epsilon, \delta} \rho_x)_x, \\ p^\epsilon(\rho^\epsilon) &= (\rho^\epsilon)^\gamma, \\ C_t^\epsilon - S(u^\epsilon) C_{xx}^\epsilon + \frac{S(u^\epsilon)}{\epsilon} C^\epsilon &= S(u^\epsilon) G(u_x^\epsilon).\end{aligned}$$

- Basic energy law

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \left[\int \frac{1}{2} \rho^\epsilon (u^\epsilon)^2 dx + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \int p^\epsilon dx \right] \\ = -\epsilon^2 \int C^{\epsilon, \delta} \rho^\epsilon (u_x^\epsilon)^2 dx - \epsilon^2 \gamma \int C^{\epsilon, \delta} (\rho^\epsilon)^{\gamma-2} (\rho_x^\epsilon)^2 dx.\end{aligned}$$

Convergence to Entropy Solution

Continued

- For $\epsilon > 0$, solutions to G -method are smooth (H^3 regularity a.e. t)
- The functions $\eta, q : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are called an entropy-flux pair if **additional conservation law** satisfied:

$$\eta(\mathbf{u})_t + q(\mathbf{u})_x = 0$$

which holds off

$$\nabla \eta(\mathbf{u}) \nabla f(\mathbf{u}) = \nabla q(\mathbf{u}).$$

- A weak solution is the unique entropy solution if

$$\eta(\mathbf{u})_t + q(\mathbf{u})_x \leq 0.$$

- For isentropic gas dynamics, the total energy is an entropy function:

$$\eta(m, \rho) = \frac{m^2}{2\rho} + \frac{\rho^\gamma}{\gamma - 1}$$

- $\nabla^2 \eta(m, \rho)$ is positive whenever $\rho > 0$.

Convergence to Entropy Solution

Continued

- Taking the inner-product of $\nabla\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)$ with \mathcal{C} -method

$$\begin{aligned}\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)_t + q(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)_x &= \epsilon^2 \nabla\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon) [\mathcal{C}\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon]_x \\ &= \epsilon^2 [\mathcal{C}\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)_x]_x - \epsilon^2 [\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon]^T \mathcal{C} \nabla^2\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon.\end{aligned}$$

- Integrating over the spatial domain and then over the time interval $[0, T]$ yields

$$\int \eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon(x, T)) dx - \int \eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon(x, 0)) dx = -\epsilon^2 \int_0^T \int [\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon]^T \mathcal{C} \nabla^2\eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon)\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon dx dt,$$

- from which it follows that

$$\int_0^T \int |\epsilon\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon|^2 dx dt \leq \bar{c}$$

Convergence to Entropy Solution

Continued

- For a smooth, non-negative test function ψ with compact support in the strip $\mathcal{I} \times (0, T)$,

$$\iint \eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon \phi_t + q(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon) \phi_x) dx dt = \epsilon \iint \mathcal{C}(\epsilon \mathbf{u}^\epsilon)_x \phi_x dx dt + \iint \epsilon^2 [\mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon]^T \mathcal{C} \nabla^2 \eta(\mathbf{u}^\epsilon) \mathbf{u}_x^\epsilon \phi dx dt.$$

- first term on the right-hand side goes to zero like ϵ , while the second term is non-negative, since $\nabla^2 \eta$ is positive-definite
- as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, we recover the entropy inequality
- Switching to Riemann invariants provides bounds on the amplitude of solutions
- Compensated compactness of DiPerna (1983) and Lions, Perthame, & Souganidis (1996) gives pointwise convergence
- Maximum principle arguments show density is bounded away from vacuum

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