

Well-balanced schemes for gas-flow in pipeline networks

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Solutions to the classical balance law

Classical solutions: $U \in C^1(\mathbb{R} \times [0, T])$ solves

$$\begin{aligned}U_t + F(U)_x &= S(U, x) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R} \times (0, T), \\U(x, 0) &= U_0(x) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Weak solutions: $U \in BV(\mathbb{R} \times (0, T))$ solves

$$\int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(-U \varphi_t - F(U) \varphi_x + S(U) \varphi \right) dx dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} U_0 \varphi_0 dx \tag{2}$$

for any smooth, compactly supported test function φ .

Semidiscrete finite volume schemes:

$$\frac{d}{dt} U_K(t) + \frac{\mathcal{F}_R - \mathcal{F}_L}{\Delta x} = S_K.\tag{3}$$

Equilibrium variables

Chertock, Herty, Özcan 2017: equilibrium variables

$$V := F + R := F - \int^x S \quad (4)$$

Classical solutions:

$$U_t + V_x = 0. \quad (5)$$

Finite volume scheme:

$$\frac{d}{dt} U_K(t) + \frac{\mathcal{V}_R - \mathcal{V}_L}{\Delta x} = 0. \quad (6)$$

Advantage: reconstruction in V gives automatic **well-balancing**.

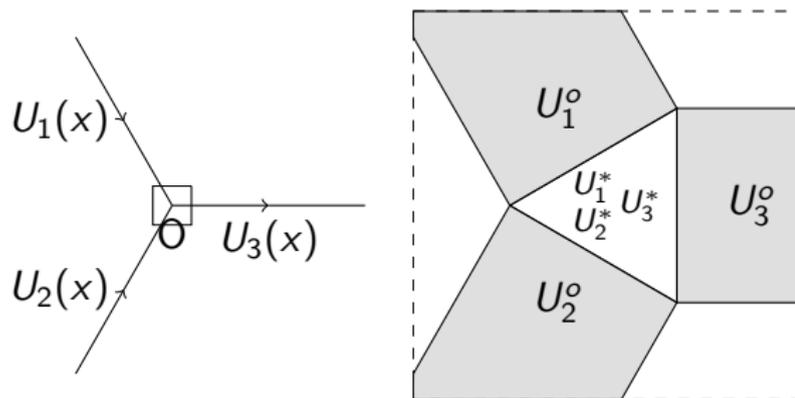
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Pipeline networks

- 1D model for network of pipes



- U within the pipes given by Isothermal Euler equations

$$\begin{aligned}(\rho_i)_t + (q_i)_x &= 0 \\ (q_i)_t + \left(\frac{q_i^2}{\rho_i} + p(\rho_i) \right)_x &= -\frac{f_{g,i}}{2D_i} \frac{q_i |q_i|}{\rho_i}\end{aligned}\quad (7)$$

Isothermal pressure $p(\rho) = a^2 \rho$

- Coupling conditions at node $\phi(U_1^*, U_2^*, \dots, U_M^*) = 0$

- Schemes which preserve a steady state exactly are called well-balanced schemes
- Why do we need well-balanced schemes?
 - Nonlinear coupling conditions at the junction
 - Imbalance of flux and source terms

$$U_t + F(U)_x = S(U)$$

- Leads to spurious oscillations for near equilibrium flows
- We extend the approach of [Chertock, Herty, Özcan\[2017\]](#) to model flow at the junctions
- Assumptions
 - Subsonic flow
 - Flow is unidirectional

Isothermal Euler equations

- Eigenvalues,

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{q}{\rho} - \sqrt{p'(\rho)} < 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{q}{\rho} + \sqrt{p'(\rho)} > 0$$

- Both characteristic fields are genuinely nonlinear

$$\nabla \lambda_i(U) \cdot r_i(U) = \pm \frac{a}{\rho} \neq 0$$

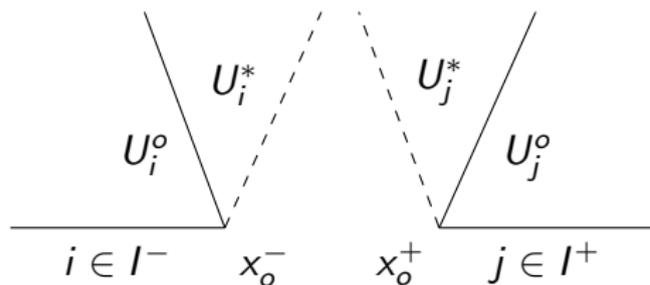


Figure: Conservative variables at the junction

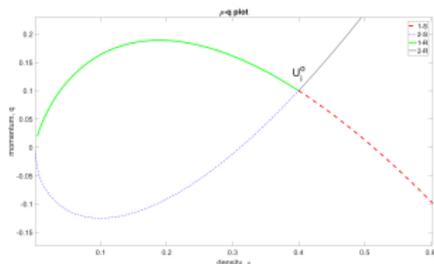


Figure: Phase plot for incoming pipe

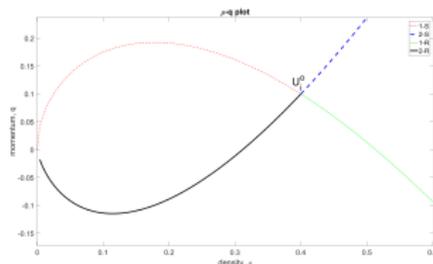


Figure: Phase plot for outgoing pipe

$$U_i^* = \bar{U}_i(\sigma_i; U_i^o)$$

Coupling Conditions

- Coupling conditions at junction given by [Banda, Herty, Klar\[2006\]](#); [Herty, Seaid\[2007\]](#); etc

- Mass balance at the junction

$$\sum_{i \in I^-} A_i q_i^* = \sum_{j \in I^+} A_j q_j^* \quad (8)$$

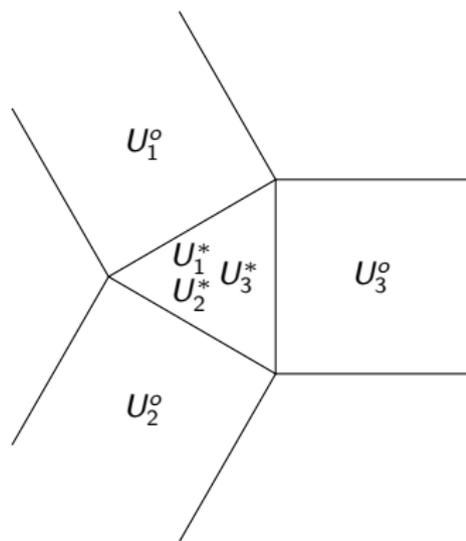
- Constant pressure at the junction

$$p(\rho_k^*) = p^* \quad \forall k \in I^- \cup I^+ \quad (9)$$

- Existence and Uniqueness of solution for these coupling conditions given by [Colombo, Garavello\[2006\]](#)

For compressor

$$\begin{aligned} q_1^* &= q_2^* \\ p(\rho_2^*) &= CRp(\rho_1^*) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$



Well-balanced Scheme

- Equilibrium variables, V remain constant at steady state

$$U_t + V_x = 0, \quad (11)$$

$$V(U) = F(U) - \int^x S \quad (12)$$

- For isothermal Euler equations

$$\begin{aligned} (\rho_i)_t + (K_i)_x &= 0 \\ (q_i)_t + (L_i)_x &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_i &= q_i, \quad L_i = \frac{q_i^2}{\rho_i} + p(\rho_i) + R_i(x), \\ R_i(x) &= \int_{x_0}^x \frac{f_{g,i}}{2D_i} \frac{q_i |q_i|}{\rho_i} dx \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Coupling conditions in terms of equilibrium variables

$$P(K, L, R) = \frac{L - R + \sqrt{(L - R)^2 - 4a^2 K^2}}{2} \quad (15)$$

- Mass balance

$$\sum_{i \in I^-} A_i K_i^* = \sum_{j \in I^+} A_j K_j^* \quad (16)$$

- Constant pressure, p^* at junction

$$P(K_i^*, L_i^*, R_i^*) = p^* \quad (17)$$

- R_i at junction is constant, $R_i^* = R_i^o$

Similarly coupling conditions for compressor,

$$\begin{aligned} K_1^* &= K_2^* \\ P(K_2^*, L_2^*, R_2^*) &= CR P(K_1^*, L_1^*, R_1^*) \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Wave curves in terms of equilibrium variables

- The 1-wave curve for incoming pipe and 2-wave curve for outgoing pipe are monotonic in the subsonic region

$$V_i^* = \bar{V}_i(\sigma; V_i^o)$$

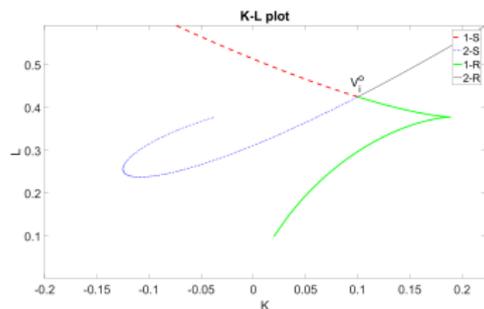


Figure: K-L plot for Lax curves of incoming pipe

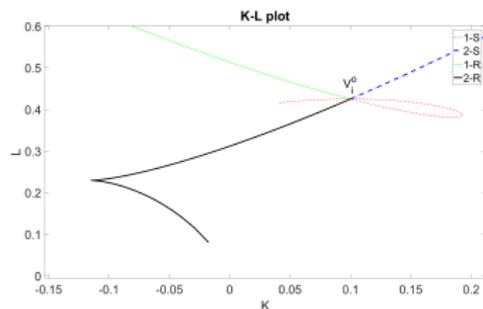


Figure: K-L plot for Lax curves of outgoing pipe

- The solution to the coupling conditions gives flux entering the pipes from the junction

Lemma

Consider a nodal point with $|I^-| \geq 1$ incoming and $|I^+| \geq 1$ outgoing adjacent pipes. $\widehat{V}_i = (\widehat{K}_i, \widehat{L}_i)$, $i \in I^\pm$ be the corresponding equilibrium variables, with integrated source terms \widehat{R}_i .

Then there exists an open neighborhood $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2M \times M}$ of $(\widehat{V}, \widehat{R}) := (\widehat{V}_i, \widehat{R}_i)_{i \in I^\pm}$ such that for any $(V^o, R^o) \in \mathcal{V}$ there exists a unique V^* such that $(V^*, R^o) \in \mathcal{V}$ fulfill the coupling conditions (16) and (17).

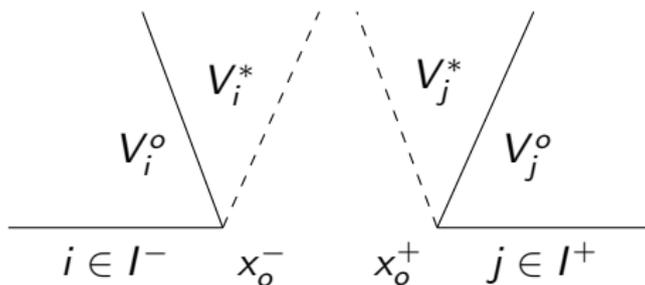


Figure: Equilibrium variables at the junction

Proof:

- We check the well-posedness of the coupling conditions in terms of equilibrium variables using approach of [Colombo, Garavello\[2006\]](#)
- Coupling Conditions

$$\Psi(V) = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i \in I^-} A_i K_i - \sum_{j \in I^+} A_j K_j \\ p(V_1) - p(V_2) \\ \vdots \\ p(V_{M-1}) - p(V_M) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Psi(\hat{V}) = 0$$

$$D_\sigma \Psi = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \frac{dK_1}{d\sigma_1} & \dots & |I^-| \text{ terms} & -A_j \frac{dK_j}{d\sigma_j} & \dots & |I^+| \text{ terms} \\ \frac{dp_1}{d\sigma_1} & -\frac{dp_2}{d\sigma_2} & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{dp_2}{d\sigma_2} & -\frac{dp_3}{d\sigma_3} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \frac{dp_{M-1}}{d\sigma_{M-1}} & -\frac{dp_M}{d\sigma_M} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(D_\sigma \Psi) = & (-1)^{M-1} \sum_{i \in I^-} \left(A_i \frac{dK_i}{d\sigma_i} \prod_{k \in I^\pm, k \neq i} \frac{dp_k}{d\sigma_k} \right) \\ & + (-1)^M \sum_{j \in I^+} \left(A_j \frac{dK_j}{d\sigma_j} \prod_{k \in I^\pm, k \neq j} \frac{dp_k}{d\sigma_k} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dK_i}{d\sigma_i}(\sigma_i = 0) = \begin{cases} < 0 & \forall i \in I^- \\ > 0 & \forall i \in I^+ \end{cases}, \quad \frac{dp_i}{d\sigma_i}(\sigma_i = 0) > 0$$

$$\det(D_\sigma \Psi) \neq 0$$

Thus by IFT there exists neighborhood \mathcal{V} for the point $(\widehat{V}_i, \widehat{R}_i)$, such that for all initial data (V°, R°) , the solution to the coupling condition exists and converges to the steady state $(\widehat{V}_i, \widehat{R}_i)$.

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Well-balanced scheme

- Central Upwind Scheme

$$\frac{dU_i^j}{dt} = -\frac{\mathcal{V}_i^{j+1/2} - \mathcal{V}_i^{j-1/2}}{\Delta x} \quad (19)$$

- At the junction

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_i^{N+1/2} &= V_i^*, \quad i \in I^- \\ \mathcal{V}_i^{1/2} &= V_i^*, \quad i \in I^+ \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

with $V_i^o = V_i^{N,E}$, $i \in I^-$ and $V_i^o = V_i^{1,W}$, $i \in I^+$

- $V_i^{j,E/W}$ are piecewise linear reconstruction for V_i^j

$$V_i^{j,E} = V_i^j + \frac{\Delta x}{2}(V_x)_i^j, \quad V_i^{j,W} = V_i^j - \frac{\Delta x}{2}(V_x)_i^j \quad (21)$$

$$(V_x)_i^j = \mathbf{minmod}\left(\theta \frac{V_i^{j+1} - V_i^j}{\Delta x}, \frac{V_i^{j+1} - V_i^{j-1}}{2\Delta x}, \theta \frac{V_i^j - V_i^{j-1}}{\Delta x}\right), \quad \theta \in [1, 2] \quad (22)$$

- Minmod function is defined as,

$$\mathbf{minmod}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) = \begin{cases} \min(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) & \text{if } v_i > 0 \forall i \\ \max(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) & \text{if } v_i < 0 \forall i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

Well-balanced scheme

- The integral of source term is calculated using second-order quadrature with $R_i^{1/2} = R_k^{N+1/2} = 0 \quad \forall i \in I^+, k \in I^-$

$$R_i^{j+1/2} = R_i^{j-1/2} + \Delta x \frac{f_{g,i}}{2D_i} \frac{q_i^j |q_i^j|}{\rho_i^j}, \quad R_k^{j-1/2} = R_k^{j+1/2} + \Delta x \frac{f_{g,k}}{2D_k} \frac{q_k^j |q_k^j|}{\rho_k^j}. \quad (24)$$

- Flux for interior cell boundaries of each pipe is same as that used by [Chertock, Herty, Özcan\[2017\]](#)

$$V_i^{j+1/2} = \frac{a_{i,+}^{j+1/2} V_i^{j,E} - a_{i,-}^{j+1/2} V_i^{j+1,W}}{a_{i,+}^{j+1/2} - a_{i,-}^{j+1/2}} + \alpha_i^{j+1/2} (U_i^{j+1,W} - U_i^{j,E}) \mathcal{H}\left(\frac{|V_i^{j+1} - V_i^j|}{\Delta x} \frac{|\Omega|}{\max_j \{V_i^j\}}\right) \quad (25)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\phi) = \frac{(C\phi)^m}{1 + (C\phi)^m}, \quad C, m > 0$$

- $a_{i,+}^{j+1/2}$, $a_{i,-}^{j+1/2}$ are maximum and minimum eigenvalues respectively and $\alpha_i^{j+1/2} = \frac{a_{i,+}^{j+1/2} a_{i,-}^{j+1/2}}{a_{i,+}^{j+1/2} - a_{i,-}^{j+1/2}}$

Lemma

The numerical scheme given by (19) and flux defined by (25) preserves the steady state across a node of M adjacent pipes and coupling conditions given by (16) and (17).

Proof:

- Steady state defined by constant flux within each pipe and satisfying coupling condition at junction
- The definition of the numerical fluxes in (25) ensure equilibrium variables are constant in each pipe
- From previous lemma, coupling conditions have unique solution

Steady state at junction of pipes

Initial conditions

- 1 incoming, 1 outgoing pipe $K_1 = K_2 = 0.15$ and $L_1 = L_2 = 0.4$
- 1 incoming, 2 outgoing pipe $K_1 = 0.15, K_2 = K_3 = 0.075$ and $p^* = 0.332$ or $L_1 = 0.4, L_2 = L_3 = 0.3492$
- 2 incoming, 1 outgoing pipe $K_3 = 0.15, K_1 = K_2 = 0.075$ and $p^* = 0.332$ or $L_3 = 0.4, L_1 = L_2 = 0.3492$

Table: Comparison of L-1 errors between well-balanced(WB) and non well-balanced(NWB) scheme at steady state for a junction at time $T=1$

No. of cells in each pipe	L1-error for variable	1 Incoming, 1 Outgoing		1 Incoming, 2 Outgoing		2 Incoming, 1 Outgoing	
		WB	NWB	WB	NWB	WB	NWB
100	K	8.74×10^{-17}	1.56×10^{-7}	1.30×10^{-16}	9.63×10^{-8}	1.14×10^{-16}	8.67×10^{-8}
	L	1.27×10^{-16}	2.43×10^{-7}	7.74×10^{-17}	8.94×10^{-8}	8.30×10^{-17}	1.87×10^{-7}

Steady state for compressor

Initial condition

$$K_1 = K_2 = 0.15 \text{ and } p_1^* = 0.332, p_2^* = CRp_1^*$$

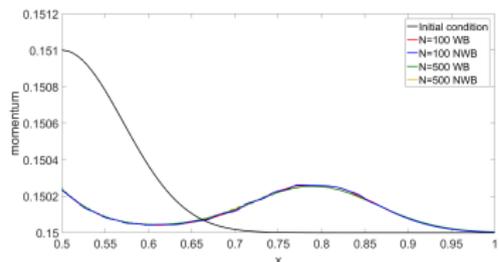
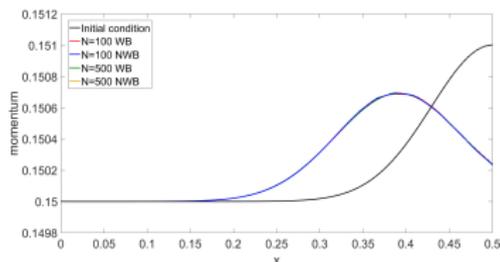
Table: Comparison of L-1 errors between well-balanced(WB) and non well-balanced(NWB) scheme at steady state with a compressor at different compression ratios at time $T=1$

No. of cells in each pipe	L1-error for variable	CR=1.5		CR=2.0		CR=2.5	
		WB	NWB	WB	NWB	WB	NWB
100	K	3.91×10^{-17}	1.05×10^{-7}	1.30×10^{-16}	9.63×10^{-8}	4.72×10^{-16}	9.68×10^{-8}
	L	5.59×10^{-16}	1.01×10^{-7}	7.74×10^{-17}	8.94×10^{-8}	3.61×10^{-17}	8.89×10^{-7}

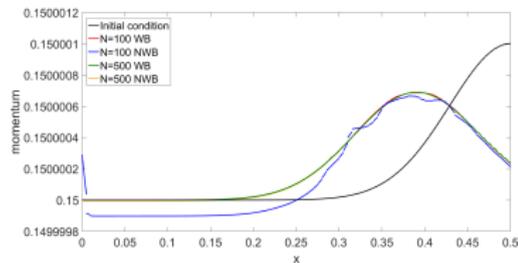
1 incoming, 1 outgoing pipes

$$\text{Initial condition } K_i = K_i^* + \eta_i e^{-100(x-0.5)^2}, \quad L_i = L_i^*$$

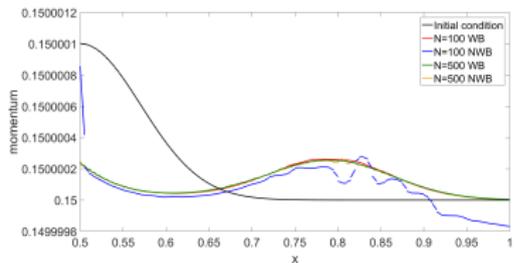
$$K_i^* = 0.15, \quad L_i^* = 0.4, \quad \eta = 10^{-3}$$



$$\eta = 10^{-6}$$



(a) Pipe 1

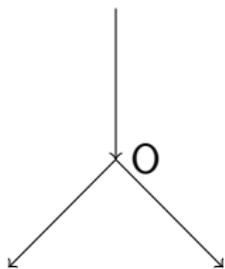


(b) Pipe 2

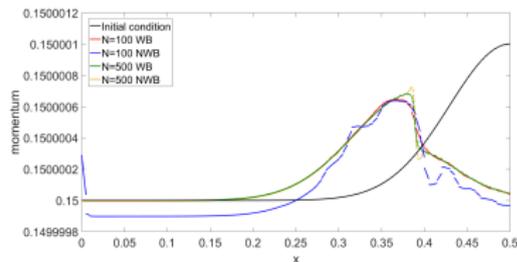
1 incoming, 2 outgoing pipes

$$\text{Initial condition } K_i = K_i^* + \eta_i e^{-100(x-0.5)^2}, \quad L_i = L_i^*$$

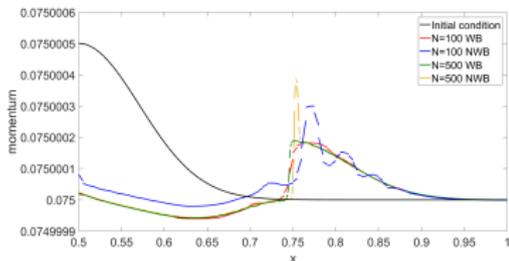
$$K_1^* = 0.15, K_2^* = K_3^* = 0.075, \eta_1^* = 10^{-6}, \eta_2^* = \eta_3^* = 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$$



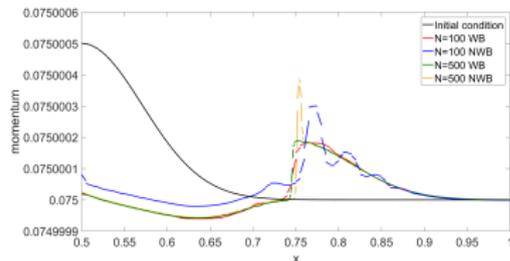
(a) Junc. with 1 incoming and 2 outgoing pipe



(b) Pipe 1



(c) Pipe 2



(d) Pipe 3

Summary:

- Equilibrium and near equilibrium flows are resolved accurately for a junction of gas pipelines.

Work in progress:

- more complex networks
- higher order DG
- study of energy dissipation and entropy production

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Localization

Space-time cell

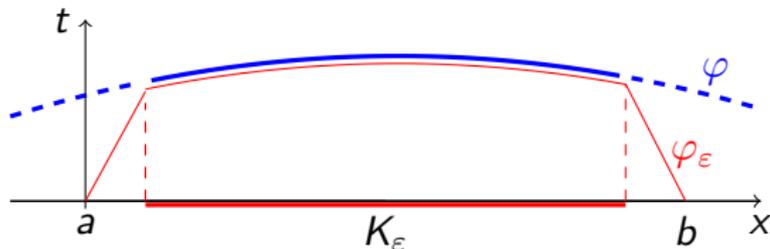
$$K := (a, b) \times (0, \Delta t).$$

Interior cell: $\varepsilon \ll \Delta t$

$$K_\varepsilon := \{(x, t) \in K \mid \text{dist}((x, t), \partial K) > \varepsilon\}$$

Cut-off test function: $\varphi_\varepsilon \in C_0^1(\bar{K})$ such that

$$\varphi_\varepsilon(x, t) = \begin{cases} \varphi(x, t), & \text{for } (x, t) \in K_\varepsilon \text{ (interior of cell)} \\ 0, & \text{for } (x, t) \notin K. \end{cases}$$



For a piecewise smooth weak solution,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \iint_{K_\varepsilon} \left(-U \varphi_t - F \varphi_x + S\varphi \right) dxdt \\ & + \iint_{K \setminus K_\varepsilon} \left(-U \varphi_{\varepsilon,t} - F \varphi_{\varepsilon,x} + S\varphi \right) dxdt \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

As $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, the integral over the boundary strip,

$$- \iint_{K \setminus K_\varepsilon} \left(\varphi_{\varepsilon,t}, \varphi_{\varepsilon,x} \right) (\cdot, \cdot) dxdt$$

becomes a Dirac measure and we obtain

Theorem (localized weak solution) Let U be a p.w. smooth weak solution and φ a (globally defined) test function. Then, for any subcell,

$$0 = \int_0^{\Delta t} \int_a^b \left(-U \varphi_t - F \varphi_x + S \varphi \right) dx dt + \int_a^b \hat{U}_K \varphi|_{t=0}^{\Delta t} dx + \int_0^{\Delta t} \hat{F}_K \varphi|_{x=a}^b dt. \quad (29)$$

where \hat{U}_K and \hat{F}_K are **interior traces** w/r cell K .

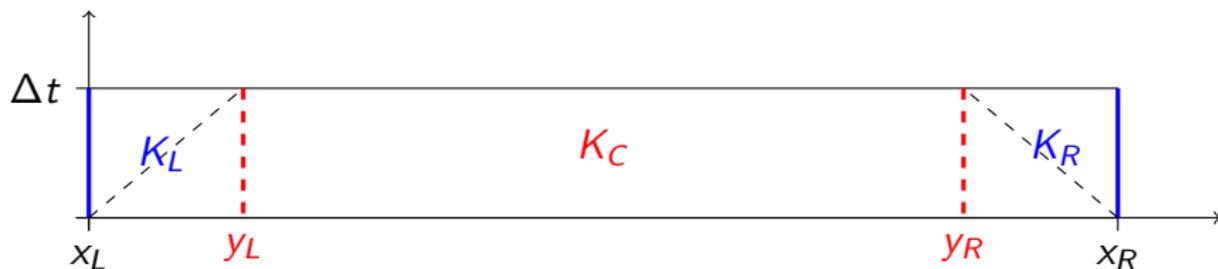
Semi-discrete limit

$[x_L, x_R] \times [0, \Delta t]$ grid cell

$s := \max_K \rho(F'(u))$ maximal wave speed

$y_L := x_L + s\Delta t$ $y_R := x_R - s\Delta t$

Consider the domain $K = K_L \cup K_C \cup K_R$



Consider K_C . Divide (29) by Δt :

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} \int_{y_L}^{y_R} \left(-U\varphi_t - F\varphi_x + S\varphi \right) dx dt \\
 &+ \int_{y_L}^{y_R} \frac{\hat{U}(\Delta t) - \hat{U}(0)}{\Delta t} \varphi dx \\
 &+ \frac{\varphi(x_R, 0)}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} F(U(y_R)) dt - \frac{\varphi(x_L, 0)}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} F(U(y_L)) dt \\
 &+ \mathcal{O}(\Delta t).
 \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

For K_L ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \int_{x_L}^{y_L} \frac{\hat{U}(\Delta t) - \hat{U}(0)}{\Delta t} dx \\ & + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} F(U(y_L)) dt - \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_0^{\Delta t} \hat{F}(U(x_L)) dt \\ & + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t). \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

Similarly for K_R .

Classical finite volume scheme

Add the weak formulations over K_L, K_C, K_R , let $\varphi = \varphi(x)$ and pass to the limit:

$$0 = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{\hat{U}(\Delta t) - \hat{U}(0)}{\Delta t} \varphi \, dx + \left(\varphi(x) \hat{F}(U(x, t)) \right) \Big|_{x=x_L}^{x_R} + \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \left(-F\varphi_x + S\varphi \right) dx \quad (32)$$

Due to the Rankine-Hugoniot condition, the flux is the solution of the Riemann problem at the interface.,

$$\hat{F}(U(x_L, t)) = \mathcal{F}_L = \mathcal{F}_{\text{Riem}}(U(x_L-), U(x_L+)). \quad (33)$$

One-sided equilibrium fluxes

Similarly, in (U, V) variables,

$$0 = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{\hat{U}(\Delta t) - \hat{U}(0)}{\Delta t} \varphi dx + \left(\varphi(x) \hat{V}(U, x) \right) \Big|_{x=x_L}^{x_R} + \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \left(-V \varphi_x \right) dx \quad (34)$$

However,

$$\hat{V}(U, x_L) = \mathcal{F}_L + \hat{R}_L^+ =: \hat{V}_L^+ \quad (35)$$

$$\hat{V}(U, x_R) = \mathcal{F}_L + \hat{R}_R^- =: \hat{V}_R^- \quad (36)$$

Finite volume updates

Traditional update:

$$\frac{d}{dt} U_K(t) = -\frac{\mathcal{F}_R - \mathcal{F}_L}{\Delta x} + S_K \quad (37)$$

Chertock et al. update:

$$\frac{d}{dt} U_K(t) = -\frac{\widehat{V}_R^- - \widehat{V}_L^+}{\Delta x} \quad (38)$$

Possible advantages of one-sided equilibrium fluxes

- simplify numerical flux (see pp. 17 - 18)
- a new look on reconstructions
- pipeline networks
- multi-D

$$\operatorname{div} R = S.$$