

One-Dimensional System of Pressureless Gas Dynamics Equations

Let us consider one-dimensional inviscid homogeneous system of Pressureless Gas Dynamics Equations which is given by

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F(U)}{\partial x} = 0. \quad (1)$$

This is a system of two nonlinear coupled equations, where U is vector of conserved variables and $F(U)$ is the flux vector, and are given as

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

respectively. Here, ρ represents density, u is fluid velocity.

We consider a following initial cases defined on $[-1, 1]$ of the form:

$$u(x, 0) = \begin{cases} +2, & x < 0, \\ -2, & x > 0, \end{cases} \quad \text{and } \rho(x, 0) = 1. \quad (2)$$

Exercise

1. Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the Jacobian of system (1).
2. Implement first-order finite-difference Lax-Friedrichs scheme to the given system (1) with initial data (2) with $\Delta x = 1/100$ and $T = 0.5$. The time step will be adapted at every step according to the stability condition. We will use Neumann boundary conditions.