Readme

This Code computes the analytical solution given by Toptygin(1980), for a shock acceleration model in a Cartesian geometry (Toptygin (1980), equations 5.9 and 5.10). In this file we want to give a brief overview over the Code's functions and features.

In line 7-14 an equidistant grid is defined, on which the solution will be computed. The limits and the number of grid points can be changed and adjusted by the user.

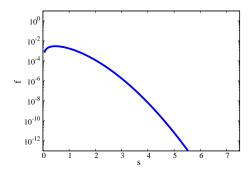
In line 17-36 the grids were given a value in regards to the Cartesian spatial coordinate r and the momentum vaiable $s = \ln\left(\frac{p}{p_0}\right)$. The Code offers the opportunity to implement the grids in a non-equidistant way, by using the lines 24 or 34, which represent a grid with a higher resolution around the shock r = 0, or s = 0. Other reparametrizations can be defined by the user.

In Line 39-52 the solution by Toptygin(1980) is calculated, assuming a source δ -function at x_0 the shock at t=0 and s=0, at a given time t defined in line 40. The user has the opportunity to derive the time integration instead, representing the case, in which the source gets injected not for a single point in time, but for all times.

In lines 56-66 the computations are written into a file.

In lines 70-87 there is a simple integration scheme implemented, should the reader wish to calculate the integrated solution mentioned above.

In lines 90-151 the Toptygin solution is calculated and its parameters are defined. The meaning of the variables is given in the code-file itself.



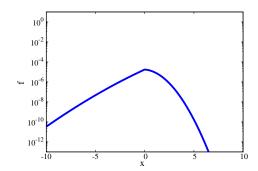


Figure 1: Two reference plots produced by the code, for $V_1 = 1$, $\kappa_1 = 1$ and q = 4 at x = 0(left panel) and s = 2.5 (right panel).

The Paper we are referencing here is:

Toptyghin, I. N., "Acceleration of particles by shocks in a cosmic plasma." Space Sci. Rev. 26, 157–213 (1980).