

Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Derivation of Conservation Laws

- Integral form in one space dimension
- Advection
- Compressible gas – mass and momentum
- Source terms
- Diffusion

First order hyperbolic PDE in 1 space dimension

Linear: $q_t + Aq_x = 0, \quad q(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$

Conservation law: $q_t + f(q)_x = 0, \quad f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ (flux)

Quasilinear form: $q_t + f'(q)q_x = 0$

Hyperbolic if A or $f'(q)$ is diagonalizable with real eigenvalues.

Models wave motion or advective transport.

Eigenvalues are wave speeds.

Note: Second order wave equation $p_{tt} = c^2 p_{xx}$ can be written as a first-order system (acoustics).

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$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = \text{total mass in interval}$$

changes only because of fluxes at left or right of interval.



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$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = F_1(t) - F_2(t)$$

where

$$F_j = f(q(x_j, t)), \quad f(q) = \text{flux function.}$$



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If q is smooth enough, we can rewrite

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_1, t)) - f(q(x_2, t))$$

as

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} q_t dx = - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(q)_x dx$$

or

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} (q_t + f(q)_x) dx = 0$$

True for all $x_1, x_2 \implies$ differential form:

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Continuity equation (conservation of mass):

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

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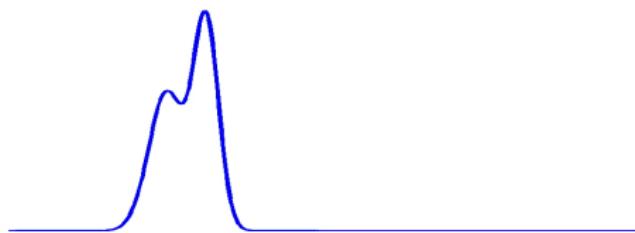
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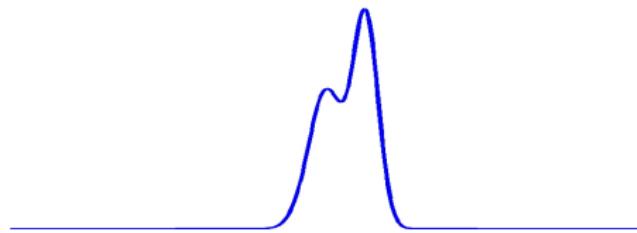
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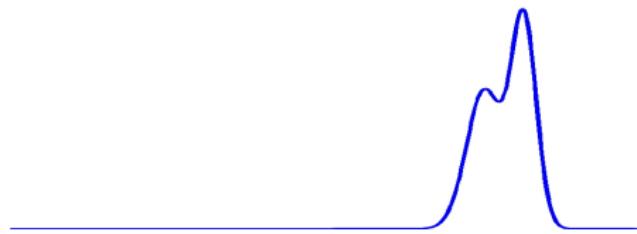
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In one space dimension (e.g. in a pipe).

$\rho(x, t)$ = density, $u(x, t)$ = velocity,

$p(x, t)$ = pressure, $\rho(x, t)u(x, t)$ = momentum.

Conservation of:

mass: ρ flux: ρu

momentum: ρu flux: $(\rho u)u + p$

(energy)

Conservation laws:

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

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Equation of state:

$$p = P(\rho).$$

(Later: p may also depend on internal energy / temperature)

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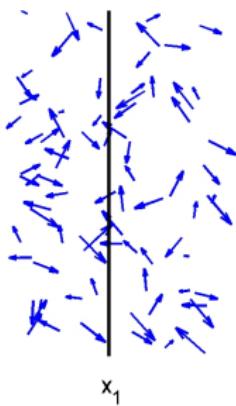
Momentum flux:

$$\rho u^2 = (\rho u)u = \text{advective flux}$$

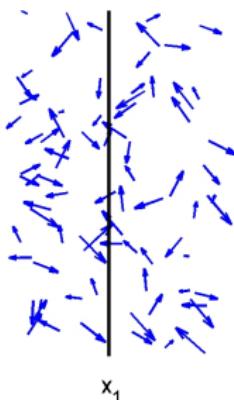
p term in flux?

- $-p_x$ = force in Newton's second law,
- as momentum flux: microscopic motion of gas molecules.

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Note that:

- molecules with positive x -velocity crossing x_1 to right **increase** the momentum in $[x_1, x_2]$
- molecules with negative x -velocity crossing x_1 to left also **increase** the momentum in $[x_1, x_2]$

Hence momentum flux increases with pressure $p(x_1, t)$ even if macroscopic (average) velocity is zero.

Source terms (balance laws)

$$q_t + f(q)_x = \psi(q)$$

Results from integral form

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_1, t)) - f(q(x_2, t)) + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \psi(q(x, t)) dx$$

Examples:

- Reacting flow, e.g. combustion,
- External forces such as gravity
- Viscosity, drag
- Radiative heat transfer
- Geometric source terms (e.g., quasi-1d problems)
- Bottom topography in shallow water

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$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} q_t + (uq)_x - \psi(q) dx = 0 \quad \text{holds for all } x_1, x_2$$

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Heat equation: Same form, where

$q(x, t)$ = density of thermal energy = $\kappa T(x, t)$,

$T(x, t)$ = temperature, κ = heat capacity,

flux = $-\beta T(x, t) = -(\beta/\kappa)q(x, t) \implies$

$$q_t(x, t) = (\beta/\kappa)q_{xx}(x, t).$$

Advection-diffusion

$q(x, t)$ = concentration that advects with velocity u
and diffuses with coefficient β :

$$\text{flux} = uq - \beta q_x.$$

Advection-diffusion equation:

$$q_t + uq_x = \beta q_{xx}.$$

If $\beta > 0$ then this is a **parabolic** equation.

Advection dominated if u/β (the Péclet number) is large.

Fluid dynamics: “parabolic terms” arise from

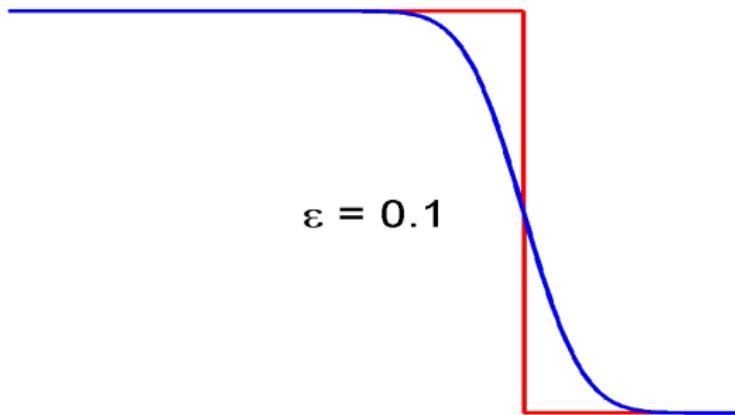
- thermal diffusion and
- diffusion of momentum, where the diffusion parameter is the **viscosity**.

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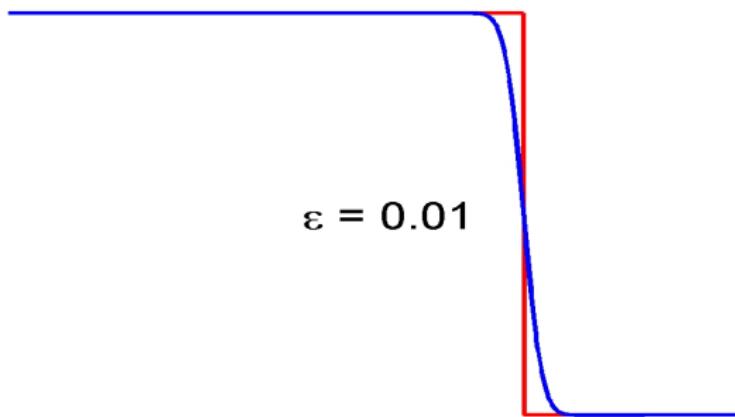


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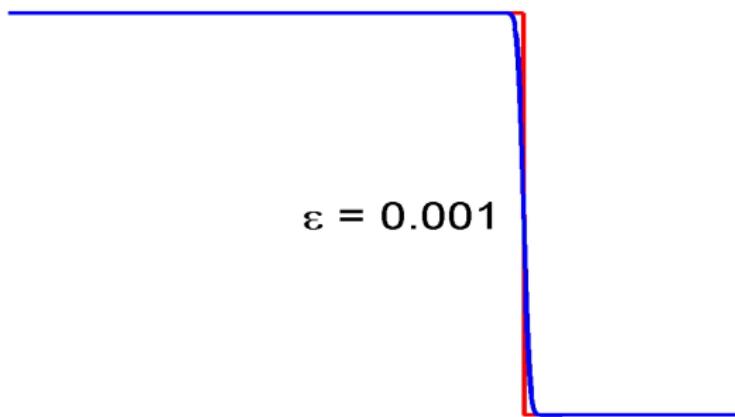


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- Quasi-1D pipe
- Units in one space dimension
- Conservative form: $q_t + (u(x)q)_x = 0$
- Advective form: $q_t + u(x)q_x = 0$ (color equation)

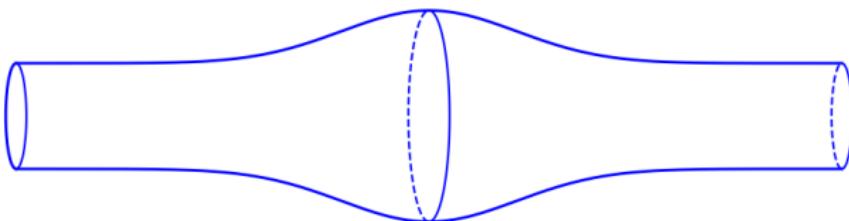
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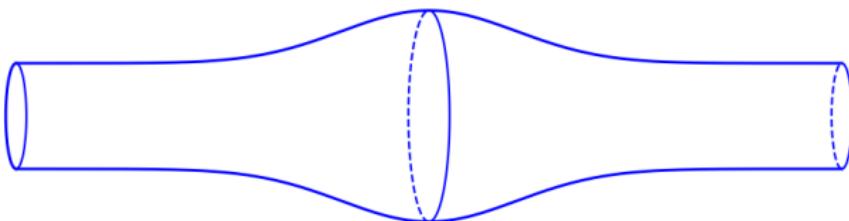
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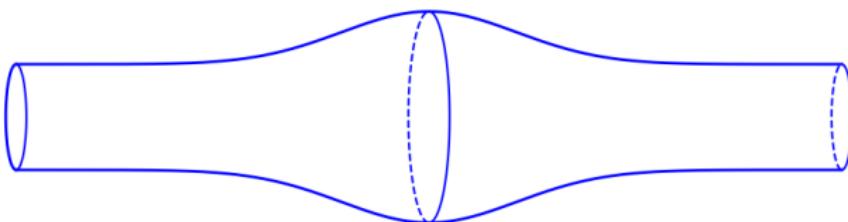
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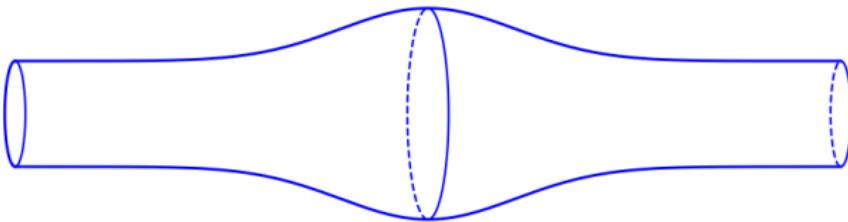


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PDE for concentration of a passive tracer advected with flow?

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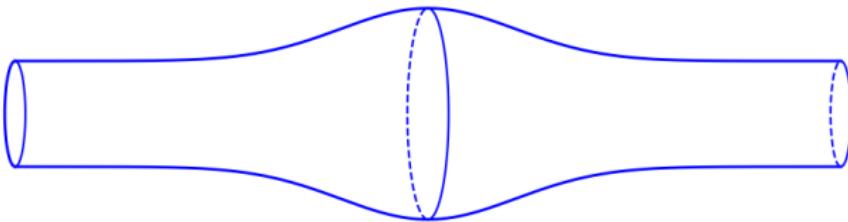
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Can be rewritten as a **balance law**
(conservation law plus source term):

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Will revisit different forms when studying numerical methods.

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Linearization of Nonlinear Systems

- General form, Jacobian matrix
- Scalar Burgers' equation
- Compressible gas dynamics
- Linear acoustics equations

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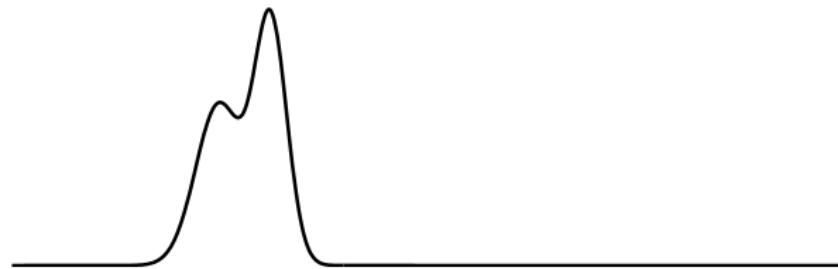
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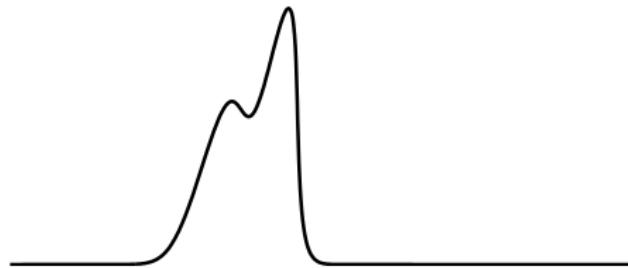
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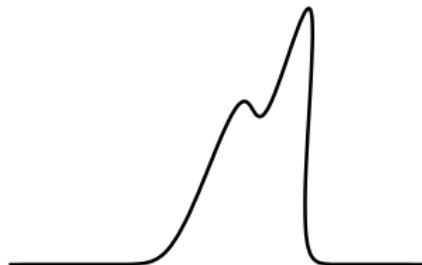
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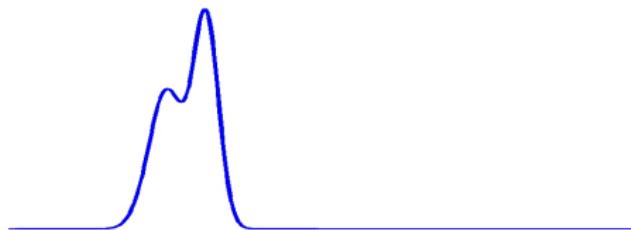
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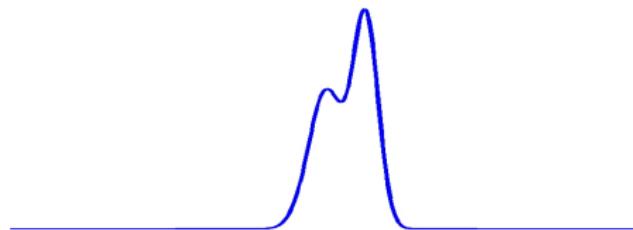
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A system of m conservation laws $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$ is called **hyperbolic** at some point \bar{q} in state space if

The $m \times m$ Jacobian matrix $f'(\bar{q})$ is diagonalizable with real eigenvalues $\lambda^1(q), \dots, \lambda^m(q)$.

Then small disturbances about the steady state $q = \bar{q}$ satisfy a linear hyperbolic system and propagate as waves.

- Shallow water equations are hyperbolic for $h > 0$.
- Nonlinear elasticity hyperbolic if $\sigma'(\epsilon) > 0$.
- Gas dynamics hyperbolic if $P'(\rho) > 0$.

Quasi-linear form: $q_t + f'(q)q_x = 0$

Usually want to use conservation form!

Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Linear Hyperbolic Systems

- General form, coefficient matrix, hyperbolicity
- Scalar advection equation
- Linear acoustics equations
- Eigen decomposition
- Characteristics and general solution
- Boundary conditions

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Eigenvalues are **wave speeds**.

Eigenvectors used to split arbitrary data into waves.
So matrix of eigenvectors must be **nonsingular**.

Advection equation as a linear system

$$q_t + u q_x = 0$$

with u a constant (real) velocity. (1 × 1 diagonalizable, $\lambda^1 = u$)

Initial condition:

$$q(x, 0) = \overset{\circ}{q}(x), \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

The solution to this Cauchy problem is:

$$q(x, t) = \overset{\circ}{q}(x - ut)$$

It is constant along each characteristic curve

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Characteristics for advection

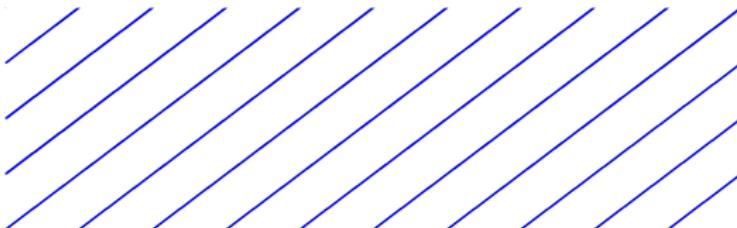
$$q(x, t) = \overset{\circ}{q}(x - ut) \implies q \text{ is constant along lines}$$

$$X(t) = x_0 + ut, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Can also see that q is constant along $X(t)$ from:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}q(X(t), t) &= q_x(X(t), t)X'(t) + q_t(X(t), t) \\ &= q_x(X(t), t)u + q_t(X(t), t) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

In $x-t$ plane:



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Similarity transformation with R diagonalizes A .

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This **decouples** to m independent **scalar advection equations**:

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We can rewrite this as

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Linear acoustics

Example: Linear acoustics in a 1d gas tube

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} p(x, t) = \text{pressure perturbation} \\ u(x, t) = \text{velocity} \end{array}$$

Equations:

$$p_t + K_0 u_x = 0 \quad \text{Change in pressure due to compression}$$

$$\rho_0 u_t + p_x = 0 \quad \text{Newton's second law, } F = ma$$

where K_0 = bulk modulus, and ρ_0 = unperturbed density.

Hyperbolic system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K_0 \\ 1/\rho_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix}_x = 0.$$

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$$q(x, t) = \bar{q} + \overset{\circ}{w}^1(x - \lambda^1 t)r^1$$

Variation of q , as measured by q_x or $\Delta q = q(x + \Delta x) - q(x)$
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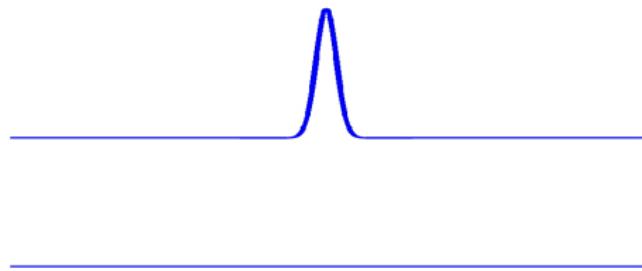
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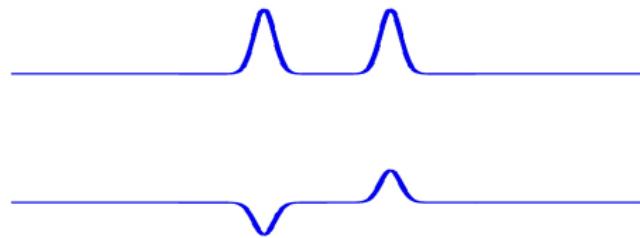
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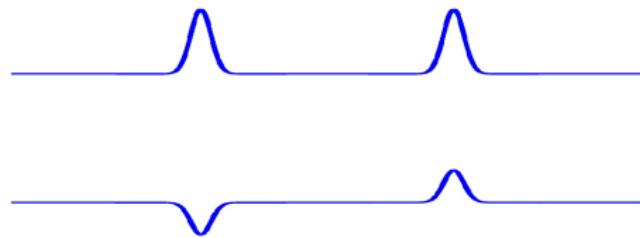
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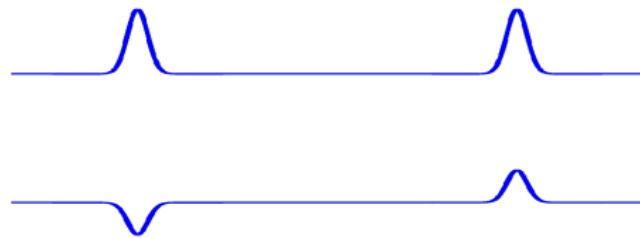
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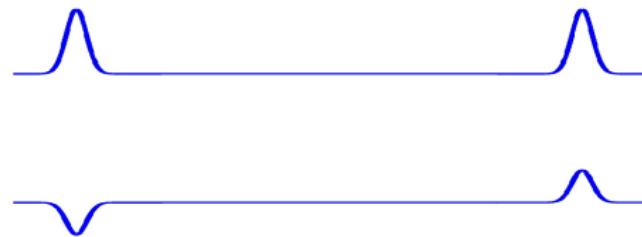
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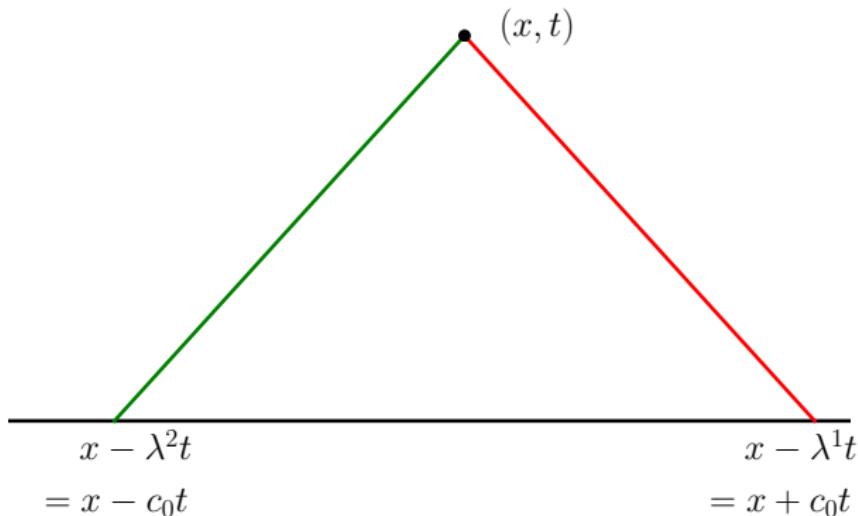
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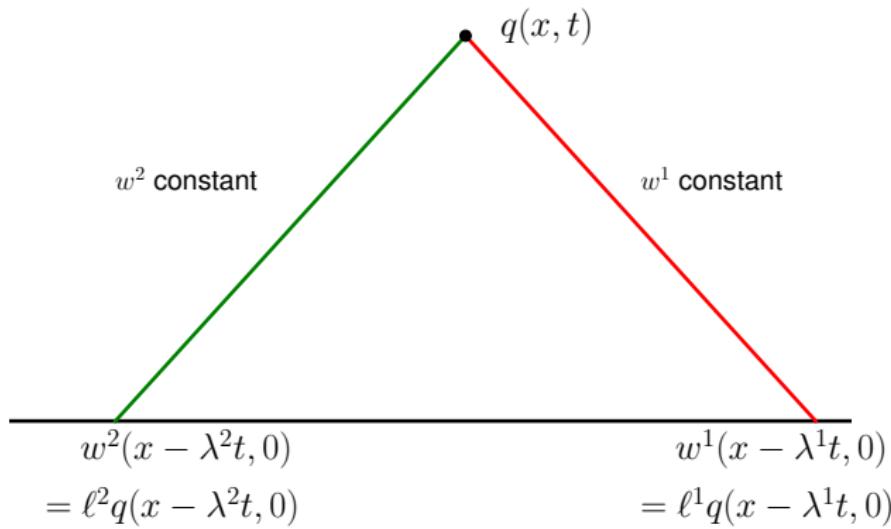
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linearized about $p = p_0$, $u = u_0$

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} p(x, t) = \text{pressure perturbation} \\ u(x, t) = \text{velocity perturbation} \end{array}$$

Equations include advective transport at speed u_0 :

$$\begin{aligned} p_t + u_0 p_x + K_0 u_x &= 0 && \text{Change in pressure due to compression} \\ \rho_0 u_t + p_x + u_0 u_x &= 0 && \text{Newton's second law, } F = ma \end{aligned}$$

where K_0 = bulk modulus, and ρ_0 = unperturbed density.

Hyperbolic system:

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Initial-boundary value problem (IBVP) for advection

Advection equation on finite 1D domain:

$$q_t + u q_x = 0 \quad a < x < b, \quad t \geq 0,$$

with initial data

$$q(x, 0) = \eta(x) \quad a < x < b.$$

and boundary data at the inflow boundary:

If $u > 0$, need data at $x = a$:

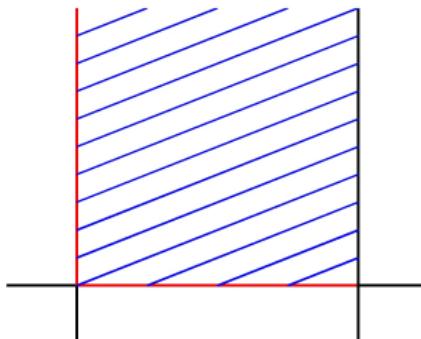
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If $u < 0$, need data at $x = b$:

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Characteristics for IVP

In $x-t$ plane for the case $u > 0$:



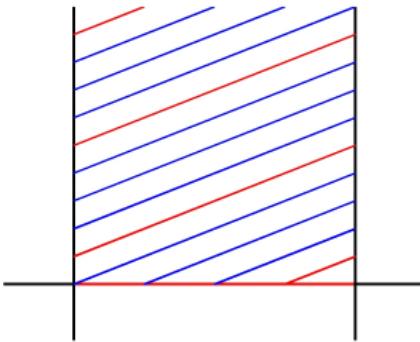
Solution:

$$q(x, t) = \begin{cases} \eta(x - ut) & \text{if } a \leq x - ut \leq b, \\ g((x - a)/u) & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

Periodic boundary conditions

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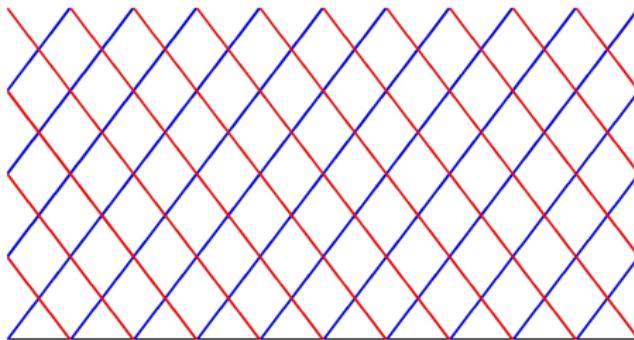
Solution:

$$q(x, t) = \eta(X_0(x, t)),$$

where $X_0(x, t) = a + \text{mod}(x - ut - a, b - a)$.

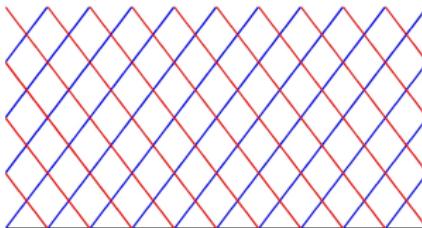
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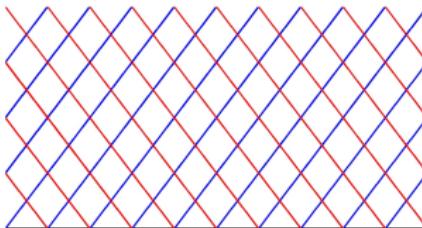
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or simply

$$q(a, t) = q(b, t).$$

Acoustics boundary conditions

Solid wall (reflecting) boundary conditions:

$$u(a, t) = 0, \quad u(b, t) = 0.$$

which can be written in terms of characteristic variables as:

$$w^2(a, t) = -w^1(a, t), \quad w^1(b, t) = -w^2(a, t)$$

since $u = w^1 + w^2$.

$$q(a, t) = w^1(a, t) \begin{bmatrix} -Z_0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + w^2(a, t) \begin{bmatrix} Z_0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} p(a, t) \\ u(a, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (-w^1(a, t) + w^2(a, t))Z_0 \\ w^1(a, t) + w^2(a, t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2w^1(a, t)Z_0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Figure 3.1

Figure 3.1 illustrates the acoustics solution with $u(x, 0) \equiv 0$.

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Shows solution computed numerically on a fine grid, with:

- Solid wall boundary condition at the left,
- Outflow boundary condition at the right.

Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Linear Systems – Riemann Problems

- Riemann problems
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The Riemann problem is fundamental to understanding

- The mathematical theory of hyperbolic problems,
- Godunov-type finite volume methods

Why? Even for nonlinear systems of conservation laws, the Riemann problem can often be solved for general q_l and q_r , and consists of a set of waves propagating at constant speeds.

The Riemann problem for advection

The **Riemann problem** for the advection equation $q_t + uq_x = 0$ with

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has solution

$$q(x, t) = q(x - ut, 0) = \begin{cases} q_l & \text{if } x < ut \\ q_r & \text{if } x \geq ut \end{cases}$$

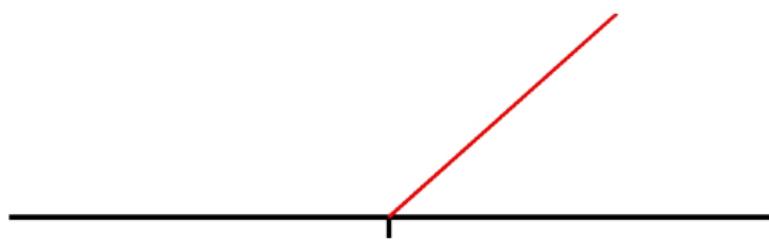
consisting of a single wave of strength $\mathcal{W}^1 = q_r - q_l$ propagating with speed $s^1 = u$.

Riemann solution for advection

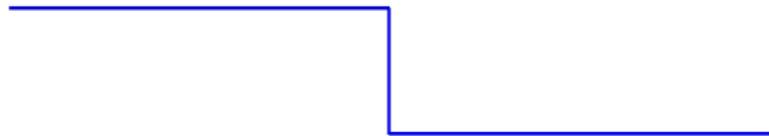
$q(x, T)$



$x-t$ plane



$q(x, 0)$



Discontinuous solutions

Note: The Riemann solution is not a classical solution of the PDE $q_t + uq_x = 0$, since q_t and q_x blow up at the discontinuity.

Integral form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = uq(x_1, t) - uq(x_2, t)$$

Integrate in time from t_1 to t_2 to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_2) dx - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_1) dx \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} uq(x_1, t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} uq(x_2, t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

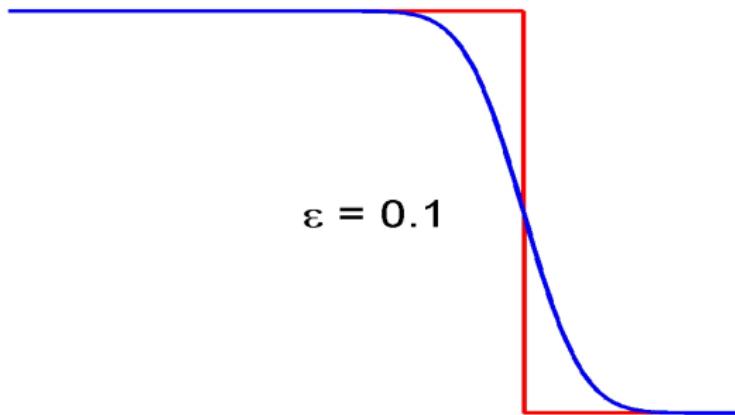
The Riemann solution satisfies the given initial conditions and this integral form for all $x_2 > x_1$ and $t_2 > t_1 \geq 0$.

Discontinuous solutions

Vanishing Viscosity solution: The Riemann solution $q(x, t)$ is the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ of the solution $q^\epsilon(x, t)$ of the parabolic advection-diffusion equation

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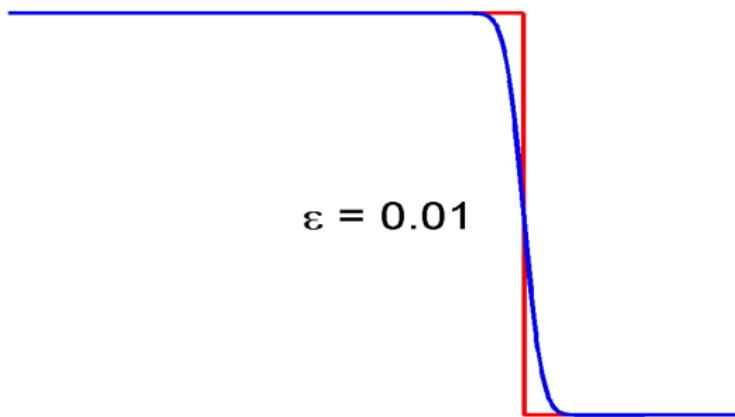


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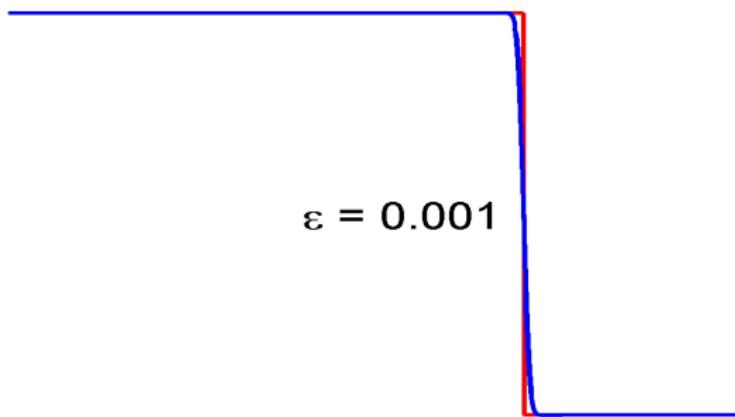


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Physical meaning of eigenvectors

Eigenvectors for acoustics:

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Consider a pure 1-wave (**simple wave**), at speed $\lambda^1 = -c_0$,
If $\overset{\circ}{q}(x) = \bar{q} + \overset{\circ}{w}^1(x)r^1$ then

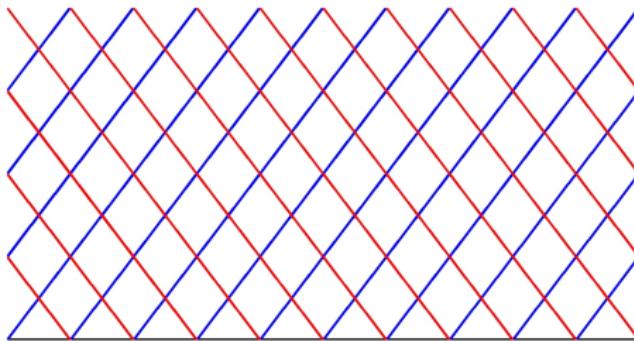
$$q(x, t) = \bar{q} + \overset{\circ}{w}^1(x - \lambda^1 t)r^1$$

Variation of q , as measured by q_x or $\Delta q = q(x + \Delta x) - q(x)$
is proportional to eigenvector r^1 , e.g.

$$q_x(x, t) = \overset{\circ}{w}_x^1(x - \lambda^1 t)r^1$$

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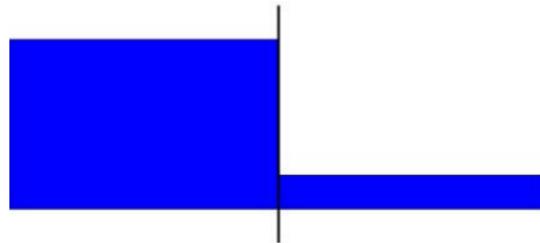
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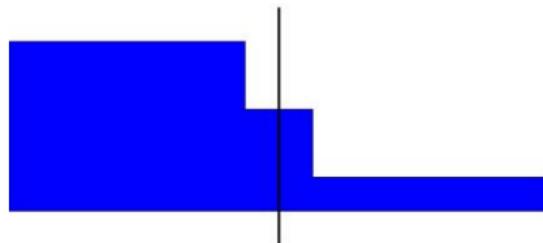
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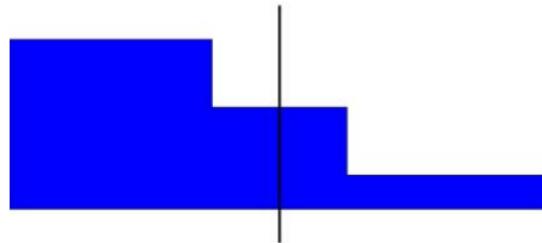
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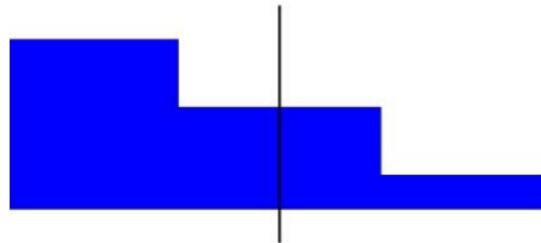
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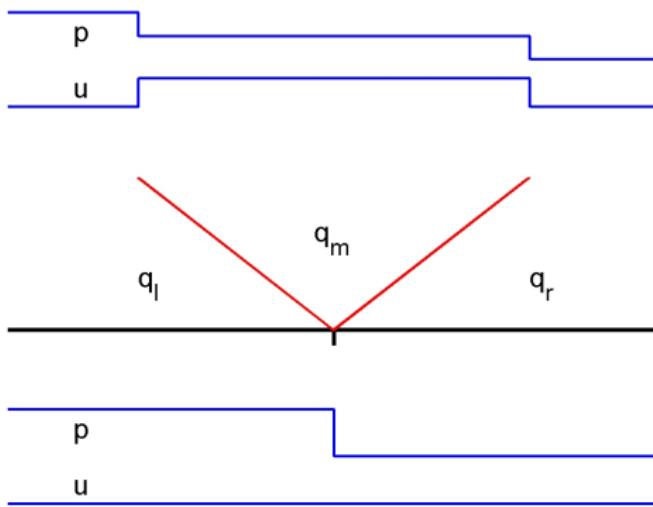
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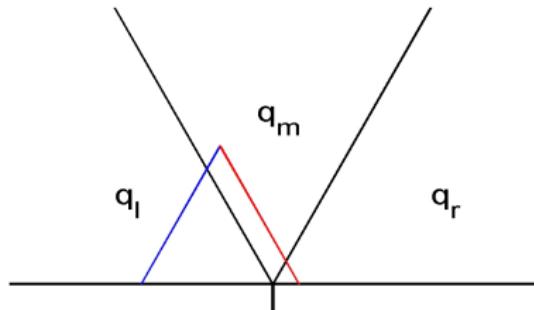
Waves propagating in $x-t$ space:



Left-going wave $\mathcal{W}^1 = q_m - q_l$ and
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Riemann Problem for acoustics

In $x-t$ plane:



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Decompose q_l and q_r into eigenvectors:

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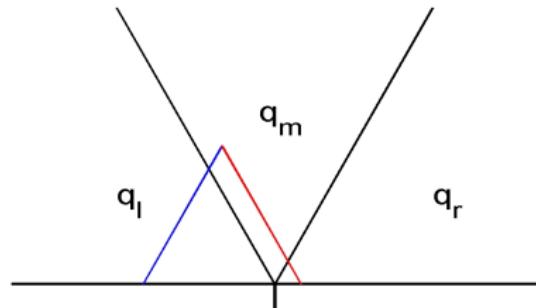
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In $x-t$ plane:



Decompose $q_r - q_l$ into eigenvectors: Solve $R\alpha = \Delta q$

$$\begin{aligned} q_r - q_l &= (w_r^1 - w_r^1)r^1 + (w_r^2 - w_r^2)r^2 \\ &= \alpha^1 r^1 + \alpha^2 r^2 = \mathcal{W}^1 + \mathcal{W}^2. \end{aligned}$$

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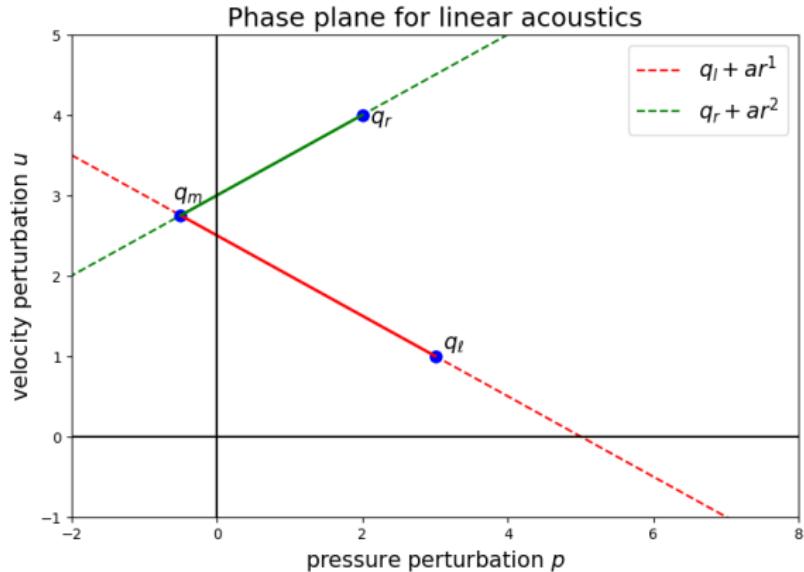
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Ex: shock tube with $u_l = u_r = 0$:

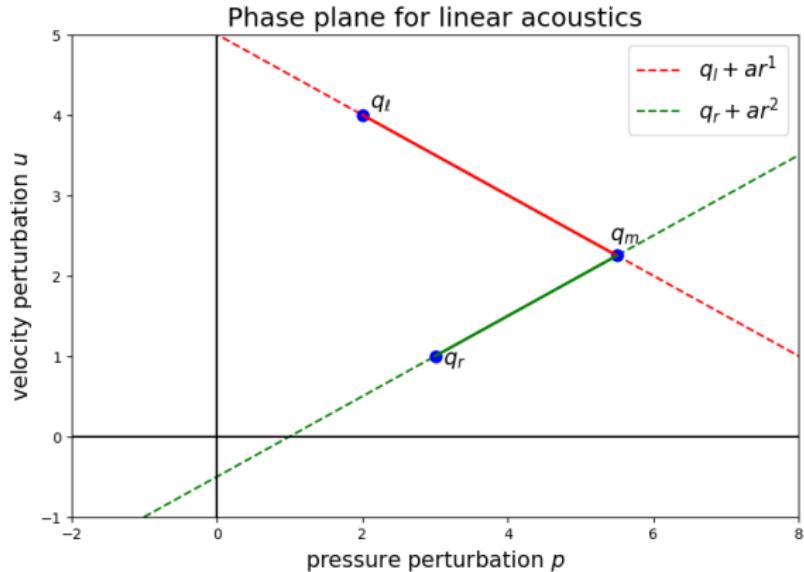
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Phase plane solution to Riemann problem



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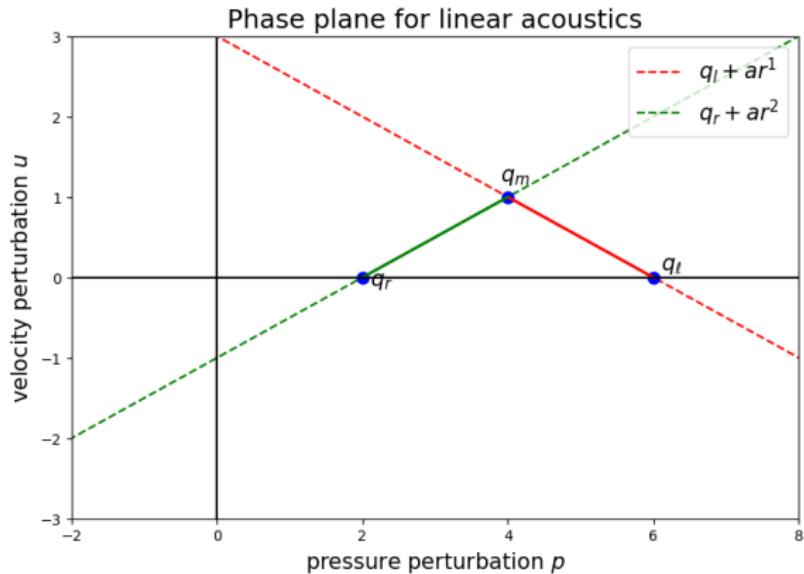
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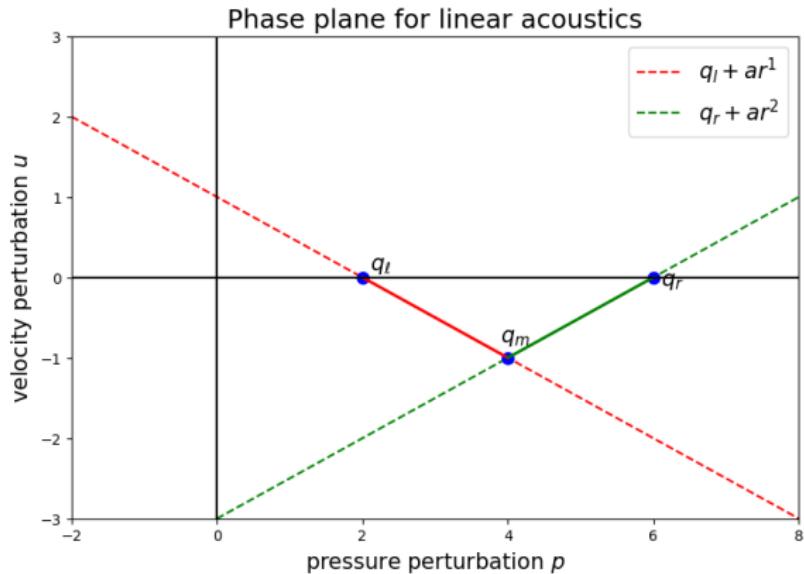
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Riemann solution for a linear system

Linear hyperbolic system: $q_t + Aq_x = 0$ with $A = R\Lambda R^{-1}$.
General Riemann problem data $q_l, q_r \in \mathbb{R}^m$.

Decompose jump in q into eigenvectors:

$$q_r - q_l = \sum_{p=1}^m \alpha^p r^p$$

Note: the vector α of eigen-coefficients is

$$\alpha = R^{-1}(q_r - q_l) = R^{-1}q_r - R^{-1}q_l = w_r - w_l.$$

Riemann solution consists of m waves $\mathcal{W}^p \in \mathbb{R}^m$:

$$\mathcal{W}^p = \alpha^p r^p, \quad \text{propagating with speed } s^p = \lambda^p.$$

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Unique such path provided eigenvectors are linearly independent. $q_\ell + \alpha^1 r^1 + \alpha^2 r^2 + \dots + \alpha^m r^m = q_r$.

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If $\lambda^1 \leq \lambda^2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda^m$, then first segment from q_ℓ to $q_\ell + \alpha^1 r^1$, next segment goes to $q_\ell + \alpha^1 r^1 + \alpha^2 r^2$, etc.

Unique such path provided eigenvectors are linearly independent. $q_\ell + \alpha^1 r^1 + \alpha^2 r^2 + \dots + \alpha^m r^m = q_r$.

Visualization is most useful when $m = 2$ (phase plane).

But sometimes illuminating to project phase space onto a two-dimensional plane.

Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Linear Systems – Nonhyperbolic Cases

- Acoustics equations if $K_0 < 0$ (eigenvalues complex)
- Acoustics equations if $K_0 = 0$ (not diagonalizable)
- Coupled advection equations

Linear acoustics

Example: Linear acoustics in a 1d gas tube

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} p(x, t) = \text{pressure perturbation} \\ u(x, t) = \text{velocity} \end{array}$$

Equations:

$$p_t + K_0 u_x = 0 \quad \text{Change in pressure due to compression}$$

$$\rho_0 u_t + p_x = 0 \quad \text{Newton's second law, } F = ma$$

where K_0 = bulk modulus, and ρ_0 = unperturbed density.

Hyperbolic system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix}_t + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K_0 \\ 1/\rho_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p \\ u \end{bmatrix}_x = 0.$$

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To solve for $x_1 \leq x \leq x_2$ and $t_0 \leq t \leq T$, the elliptic equation requires BCs on all four sides, including at $t = T$.

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In particular, Riemann problem can have infinite p_x at origin.

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So if $p_r \neq p_l$, then $u_m \rightarrow \infty$ as $K \rightarrow 0$

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Introduction to Finite Volume Methods

- Comparison to finite differences
- Conservation form, importance for shocks
- Godunov's method, wave propagation view
- Upwind for advection
- REA Algorithm
- Godunov applied to acoustics

Finite difference method

Based on point-wise approximations:

$$Q_i^n \approx q(x_i, t_n), \quad \text{with } x_i = i\Delta x, \quad t_n = n\Delta t.$$

Approximate derivatives by finite differences.

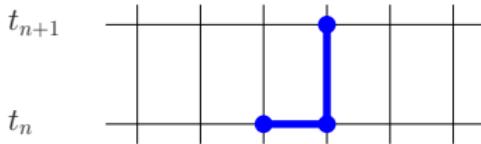
Ex: Upwind method for advection equation if $u > 0$:

$$q_t + uq_x = 0$$

$$\frac{Q_i^{n+1} - Q_i^n}{\Delta t} + u \left(\frac{Q_i^n - Q_{i-1}^n}{\Delta x} \right) = 0$$

or

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} u (Q_i^n - Q_{i-1}^n).$$



Stencil:

Finite differences vs. finite volumes

Finite difference Methods

- Pointwise values $Q_i^n \approx q(x_i, t_n)$
- Approximate derivatives by finite differences
- Assumes smoothness

Finite volume Methods

- Approximate cell averages: $Q_i^n \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} q(x, t_n) dx$
- Integral form of conservation law,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_{i-1/2}, t)) - f(q(x_{i+1/2}, t))$$

leads to conservation law $q_t + f_x = 0$ but also directly to numerical method.

Finite volume method

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Upwind for advection as a finite volume method

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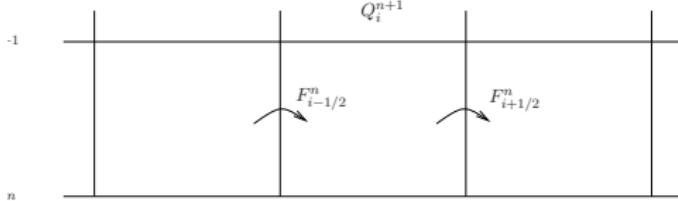
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For $u > 0$:

$$F_{i-1/2}^n = u Q_{i-1}^n, \quad F_{i+1/2}^n = u Q_i^n$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} Q_i^{n+1} &= Q_i^n + \frac{\Delta t(u Q_{i-1}^n - u Q_i^n)}{\Delta x} \\ &= Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t u}{\Delta x} (Q_i^n - Q_{i-1}^n) \end{aligned}$$



Stencil:
(x - t plane)

Upwind method for advection

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Conservation form

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is in **conservation form**.

The total mass is conserved up to fluxes at the boundaries:

$$\Delta x \sum_i Q_i^{n+1} = \Delta x \sum_i Q_i^n - \Delta t (F_{+\infty} - F_{-\infty}).$$

Note: an isolated shock must travel at the right speed!

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = F(x_1) - F(x_2).$$

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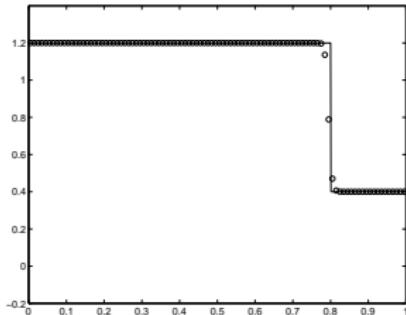
Conservative: $U_i^{n+1} = U_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left(\frac{1}{2}((U_i^n)^2 - (U_{i-1}^n)^2) \right)$

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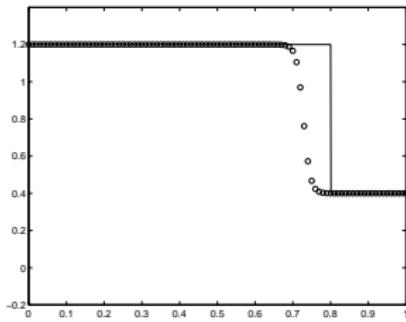
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Importance of conservation form

Solution to Burgers' equation using conservative upwind:



Solution to Burgers' equation using quasilinear upwind:



Weak solutions depend on the conservation law

The conservation laws

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

and

$$(u^2)_t + \left(\frac{2}{3} u^3 \right)_x = 0 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad q = u^2, \quad f(q) = \frac{2}{3} q^{3/2}$$

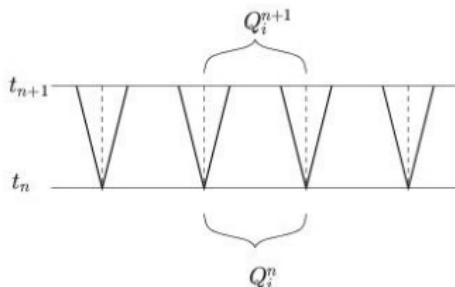
both have the same quasilinear form

$$u_t + uu_x = 0$$

but have different weak solutions,

different shock speeds!

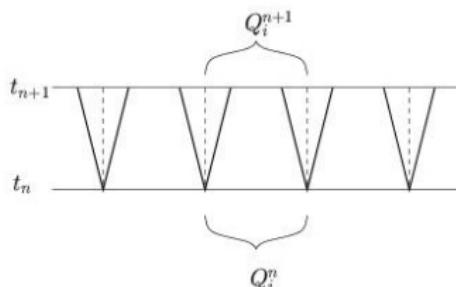
Godunov's Method for $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$



1. Solve Riemann problems at all interfaces, yielding waves $\mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p$ and speeds $s_{i-1/2}^p$, for $p = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Riemann problem: Original equation with piecewise constant data.

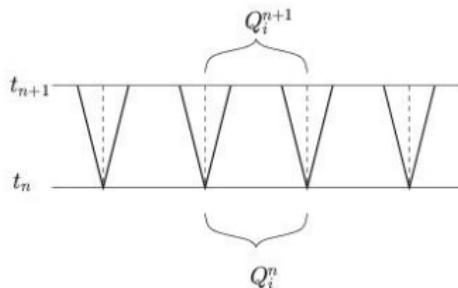
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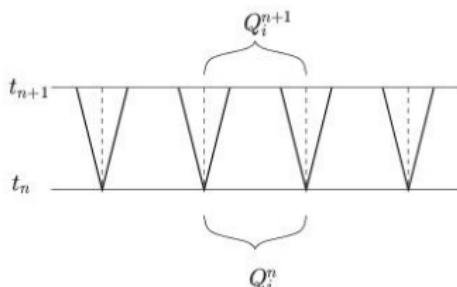


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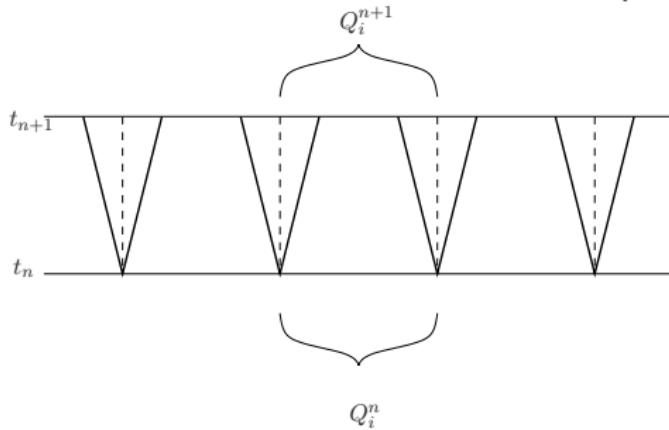
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Godunov's method with flux differencing

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Discontinuities at cell interfaces \implies Riemann problems.



$$\tilde{q}^n(x_{i-1/2}, t) \equiv q^\psi(Q_{i-1}, Q_i) \text{ for } t > t_n.$$

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First-order REA Algorithm

- ① **Reconstruct** a piecewise constant function $\tilde{q}^n(x, t_n)$ defined for all x , from the cell averages Q_i^n .

$$\tilde{q}^n(x, t_n) = Q_i^n \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{C}_i.$$

- ② **Evolve** the hyperbolic equation exactly (or approximately) with this initial data to obtain $\tilde{q}^n(x, t_{n+1})$ a time Δt later.
- ③ **Average** this function over each grid cell to obtain new cell averages

$$Q_i^{n+1} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{\mathcal{C}_i} \tilde{q}^n(x, t_{n+1}) dx.$$

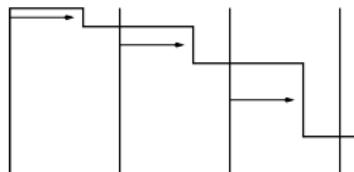
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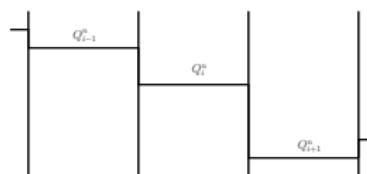
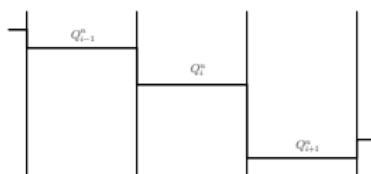
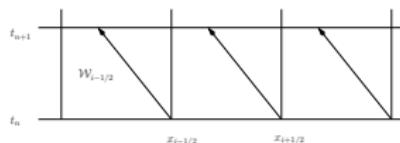
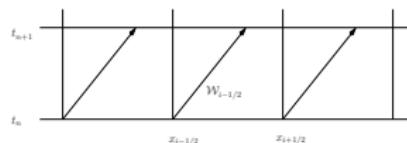
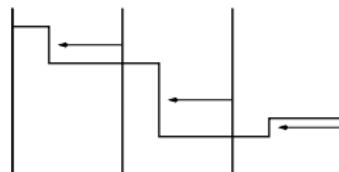
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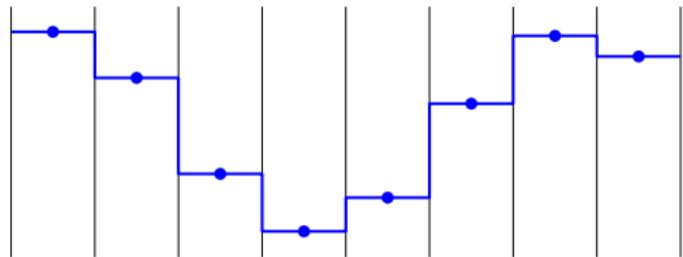


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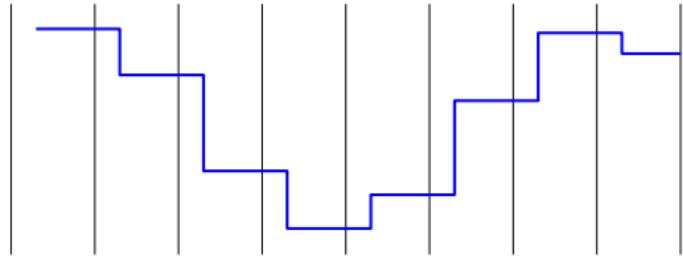


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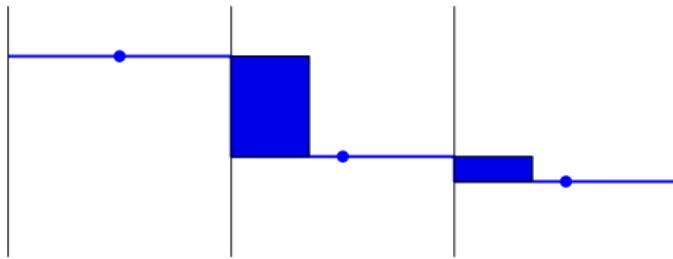
Cell averages and piecewise constant reconstruction:



After evolution:



Cell update



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So we obtain the upwind method

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Wave propagation form of cell update

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where $\mathcal{W}_{i-1/2} = (Q_i^n - Q_{i-1}^n)$ is the wave strength and $s = u$ is the wave speed.

The general upwind method for $u < 0$ or $u > 0$:

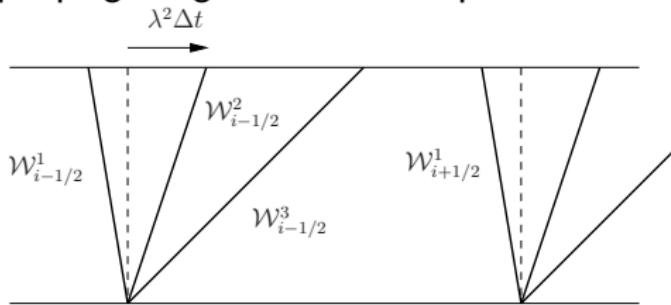
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This is the **wave propagation form** of upwind.

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Godunov (upwind) for a linear system

$q_t + Aq_x = 0$ where $A = R\Lambda R^{-1}$. Define the matrices

$$\Lambda^+ = \begin{bmatrix} (\lambda^1)^+ & & & \\ & (\lambda^2)^+ & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & (\lambda^m)^+ \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Lambda^- = \begin{bmatrix} (\lambda^1)^- & & & \\ & (\lambda^2)^- & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & (\lambda^m)^- \end{bmatrix}.$$

and

$$A^+ = R\Lambda^+R^{-1}, \quad \text{and} \quad A^- = R\Lambda^-R^{-1}.$$

Note:

$$A^+ + A^- = R(\Lambda^+ + \Lambda^-)R^{-1} = R\Lambda R^{-1} = A.$$

Then Godunov's method becomes

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} [A^+(Q_i - Q_{i-1}) + A^-(Q_{i+1} - Q_i)].$$

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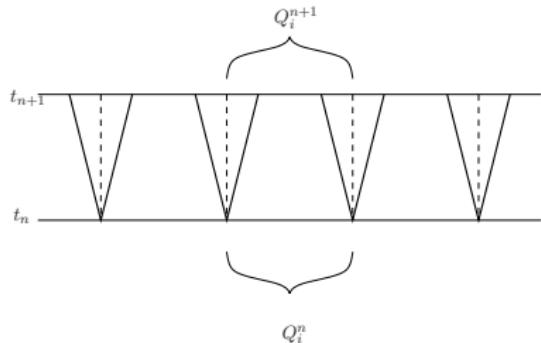
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Natural generalization of upwind to a system.

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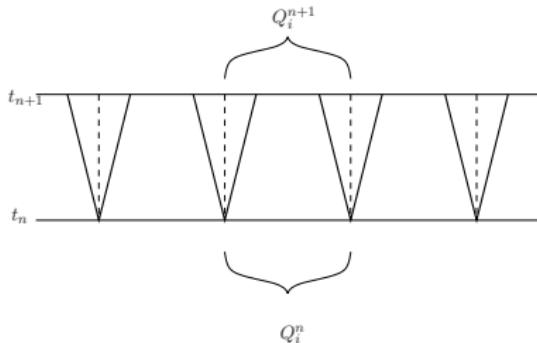
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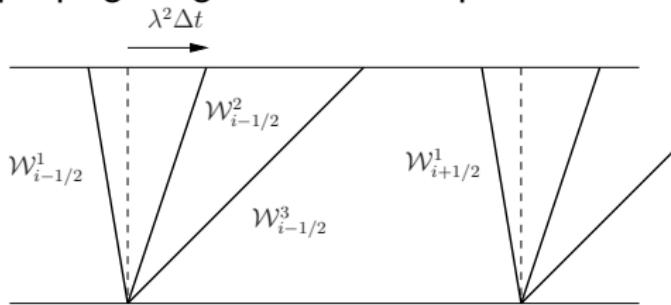
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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Accuracy, Consistency, Stability, CFL Condition

- Order of accuracy, local and global error
- Consistent numerical flux functions
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For more details see e.g. Chapter 10 of
Finite Difference Methods for ODEs and PDEs

Finite differences vs. finite volumes

Finite difference Methods

- Pointwise values $Q_i^n \approx q(x_i, t_n)$
- Approximate derivatives by finite differences
- Assumes smoothness

Finite volume Methods

- Approximate cell averages: $Q_i^n \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} q(x, t_n) dx$
- Integral form of conservation law,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_{i-1/2}, t)) - f(q(x_{i+1/2}, t))$$

leads to conservation law $q_t + f_x = 0$ but also directly to numerical method.

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Since q is the exact solution, $q_t + u q_x = 0$ and $q_{tt} = u^2 q_{xx}$, so

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where we fix (x, t) and let $Q(x, t)$ denote the numerical approximation at this point as the grid is refined.

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For upwind on discontinuous data, we expect

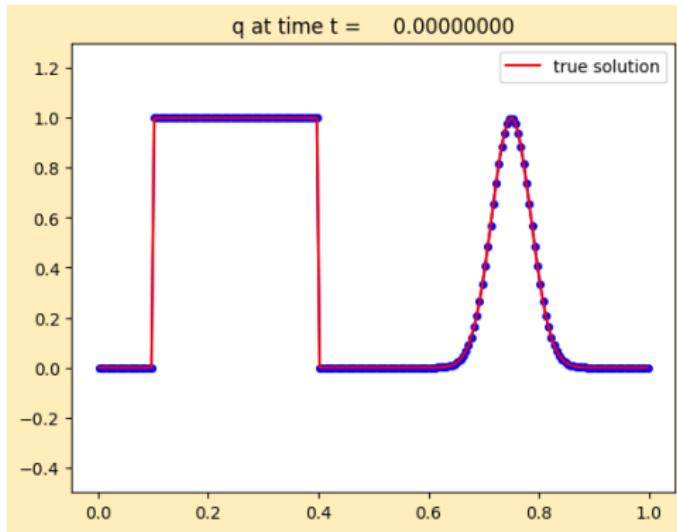
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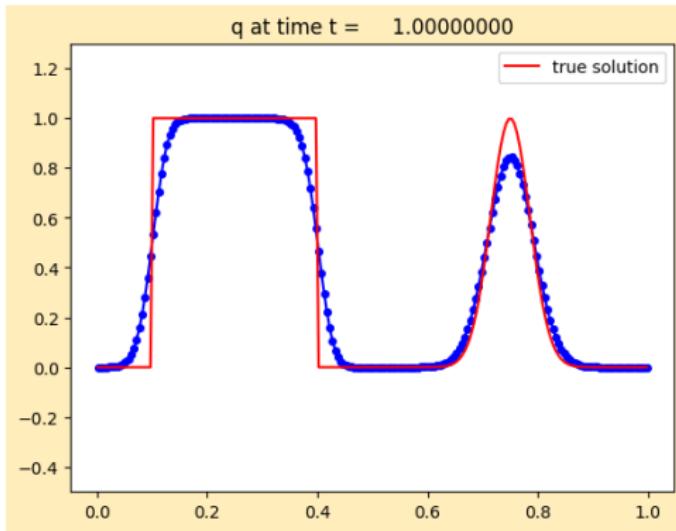
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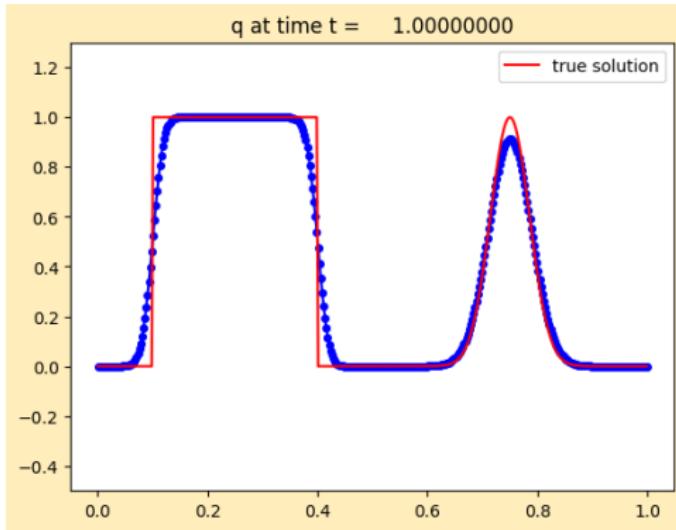
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This is valid **provided** the method is **stable!**

Consistency + stability = convergence

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Can prove that the upwind method is **stable** provided

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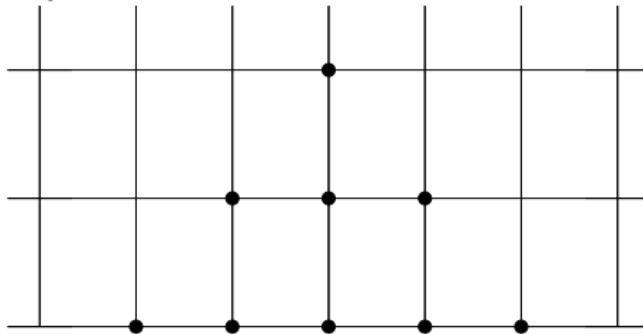
Advection: $q(X, T) = q(X - uT, 0)$ and so $\mathcal{D}(X, T) = \{X - uT\}$.

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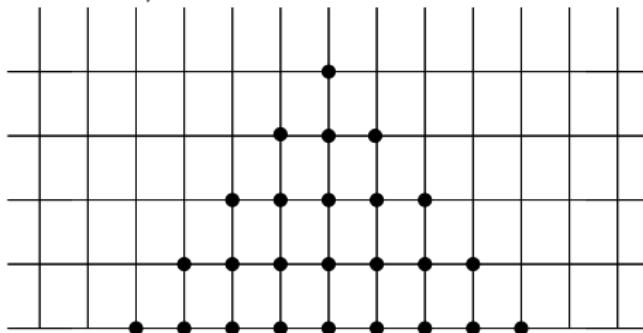
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On a finer grid with $\Delta t / \Delta x$ fixed:



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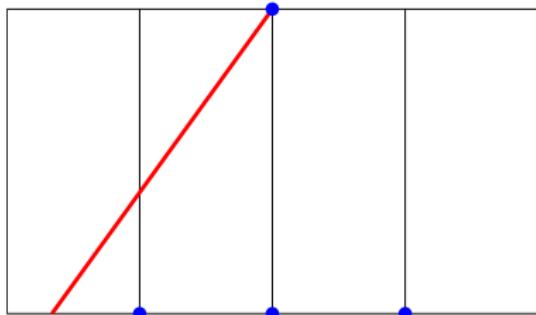
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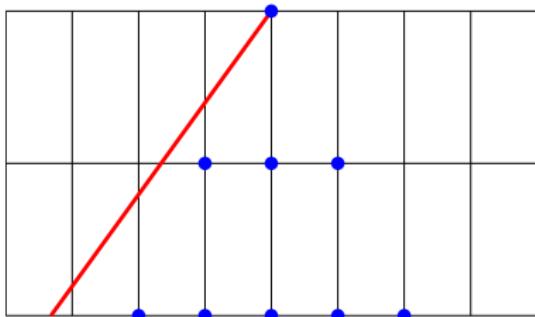
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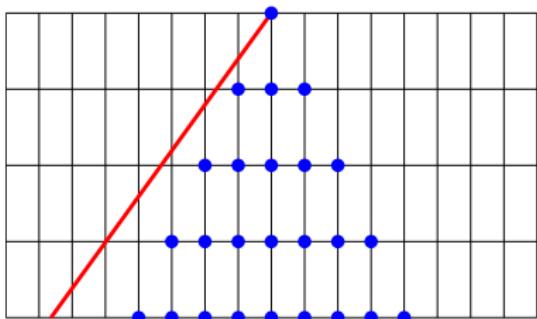
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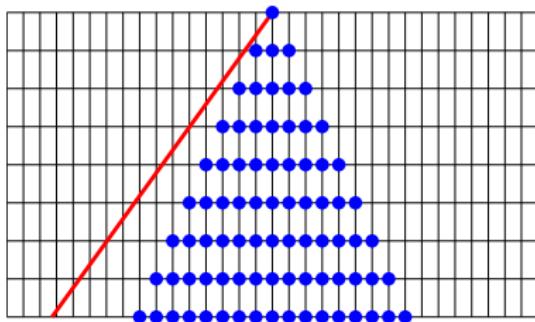
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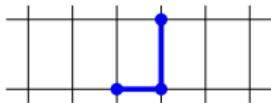
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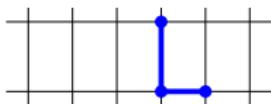


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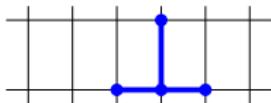


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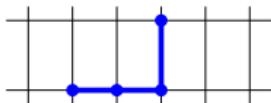
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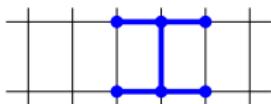
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e.g. $\Delta t = (\Delta x)^2$.

Linear hyperbolic systems

Linear system of m equations: $q(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ for each (x, t) and

$$q_t + Aq_x = 0, \quad -\infty < x, \infty, \quad t \geq 0.$$

A is $m \times m$ with eigenvalues λ^p and eigenvectors r^p ,
for $p = 1, 2, \dots, m$:

$$Ar^p = \lambda^p r^p.$$

Combining these for $p = 1, 2, \dots, m$ gives

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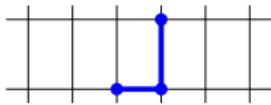
where

$$R = [r^1 \ r^2 \ \dots \ r^m], \quad \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda^1, \lambda^2, \dots, \lambda^m).$$

The system is **hyperbolic** if the **eigenvalues are real** and
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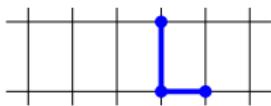
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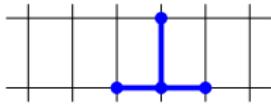


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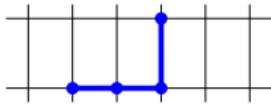
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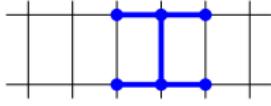
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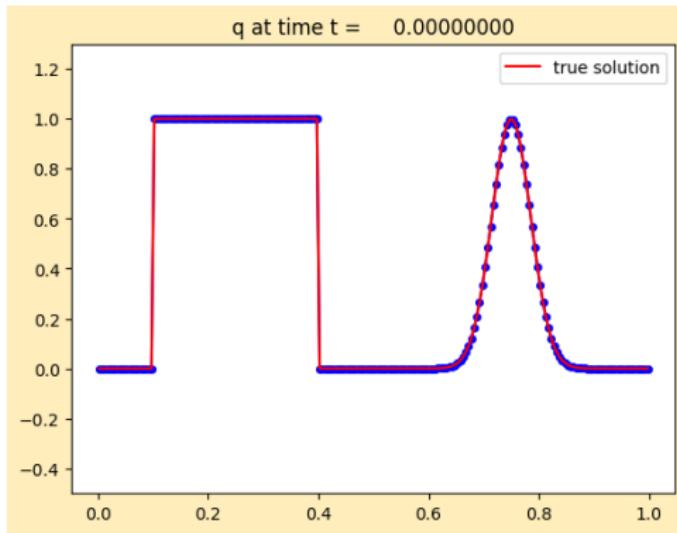
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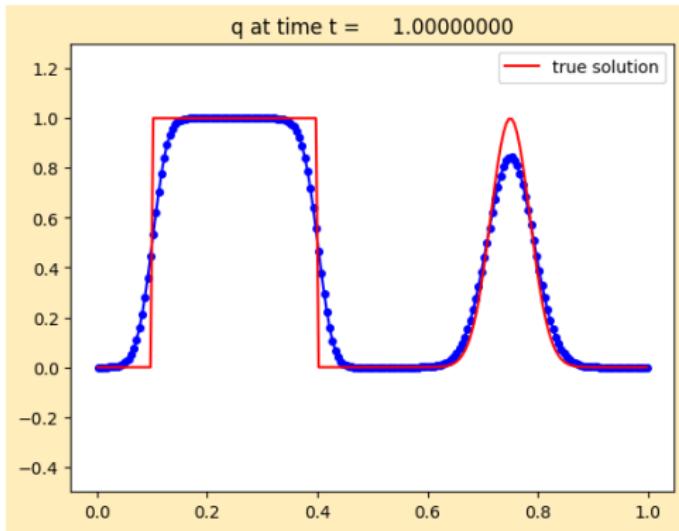
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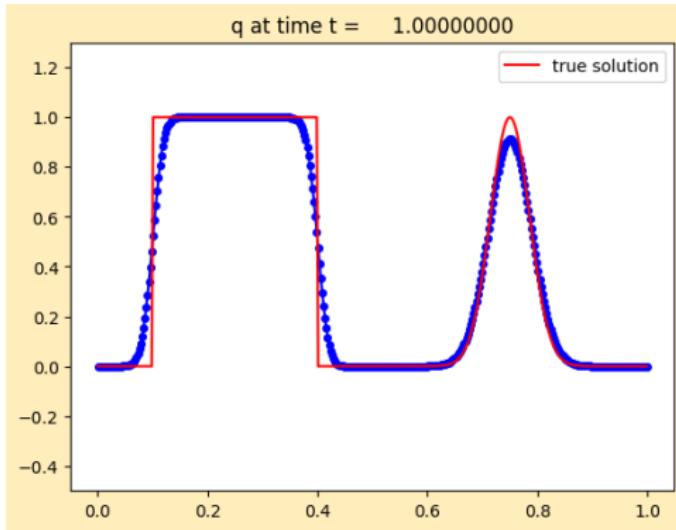
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Lax-Wendroff

Second-order accuracy?

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This has a **dispersive** term with $O(\Delta x^2)$ coefficient.

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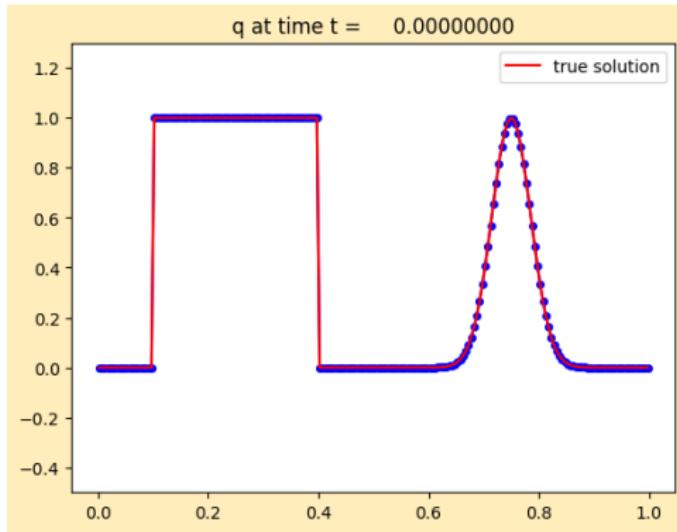
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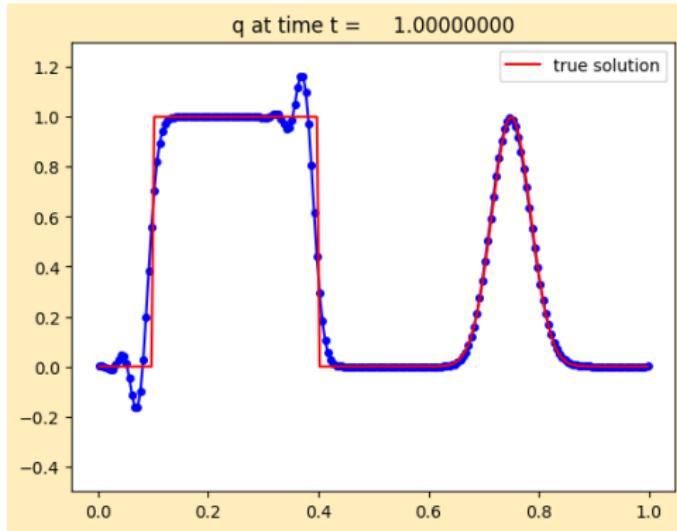
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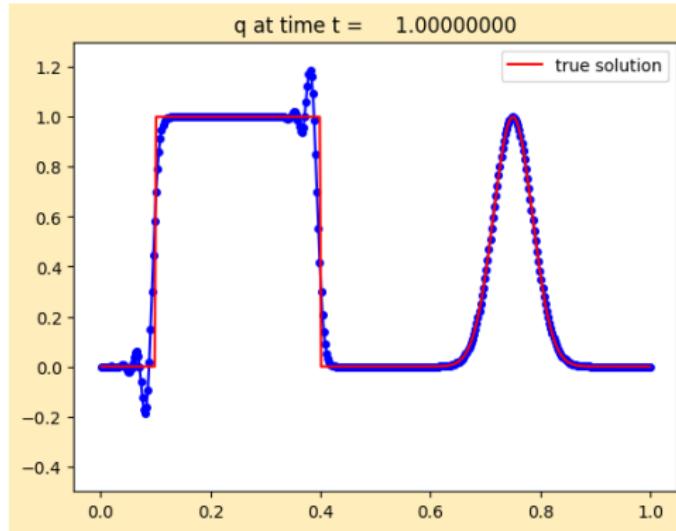
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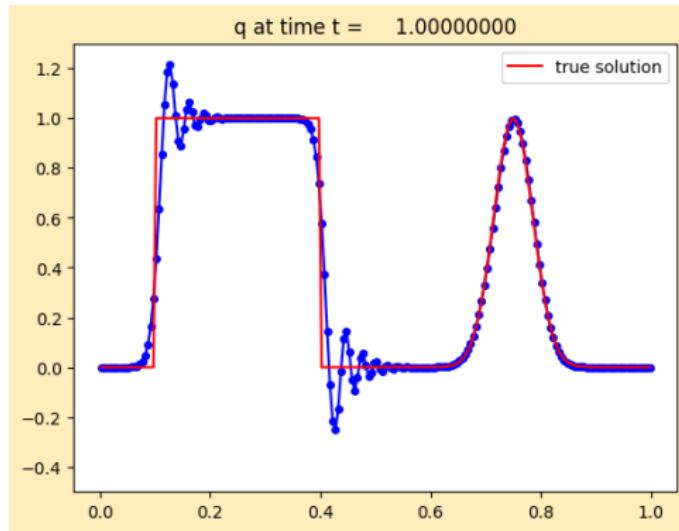
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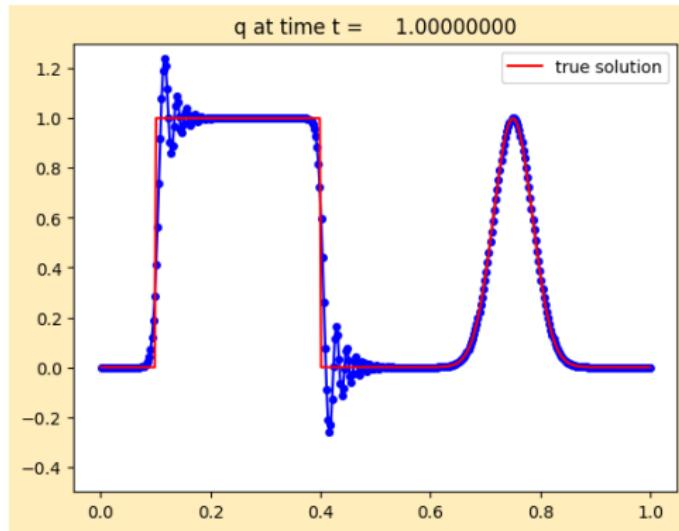
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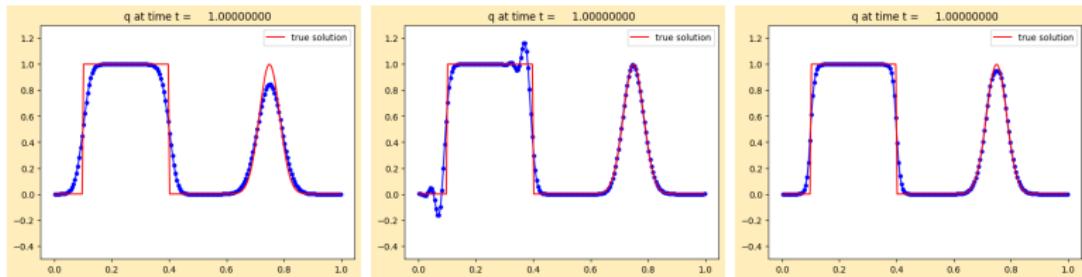
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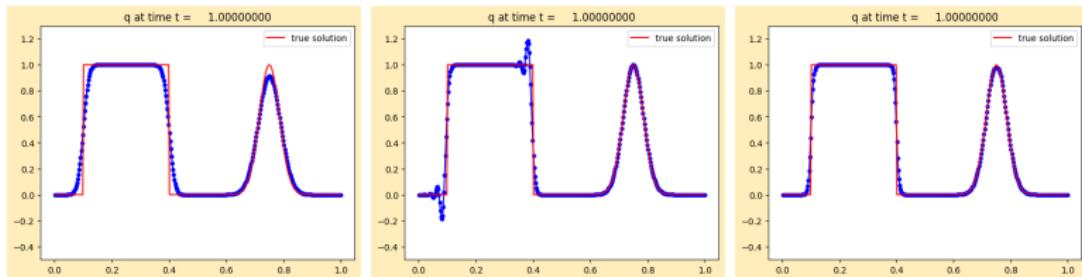
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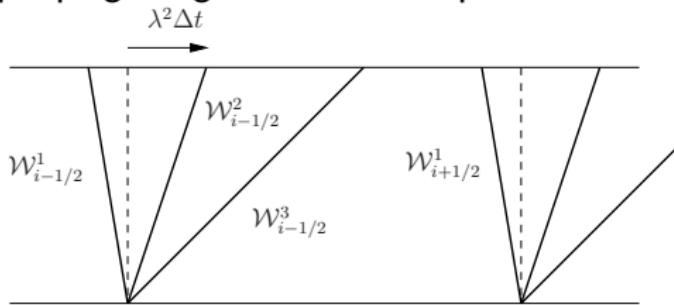
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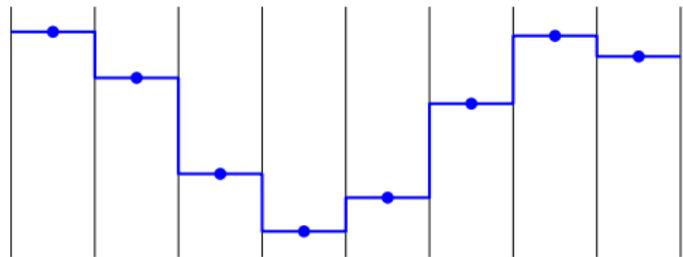
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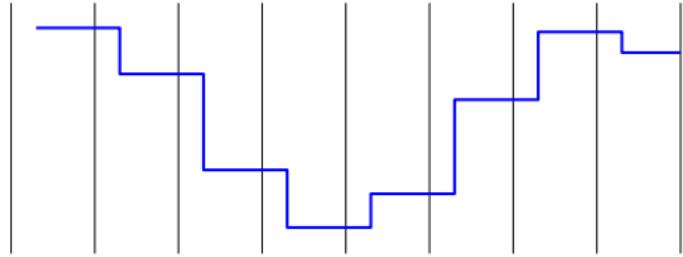
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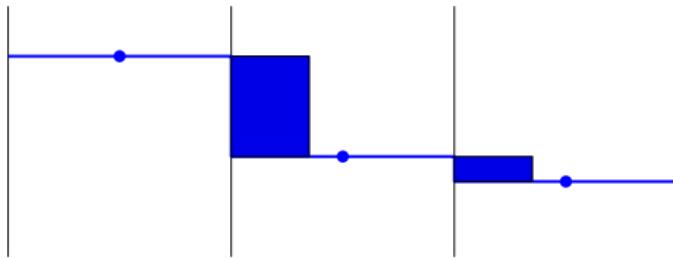
Cell averages and piecewise constant reconstruction:



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So we obtain the upwind method

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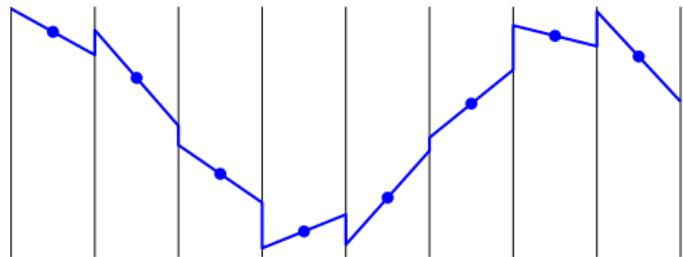
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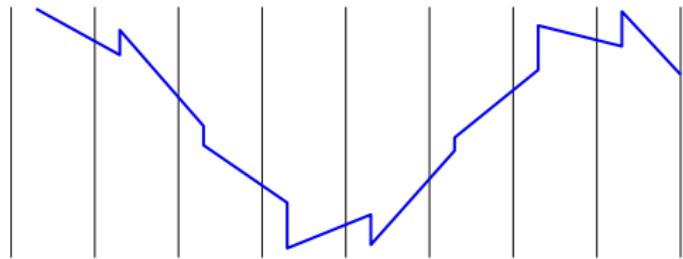
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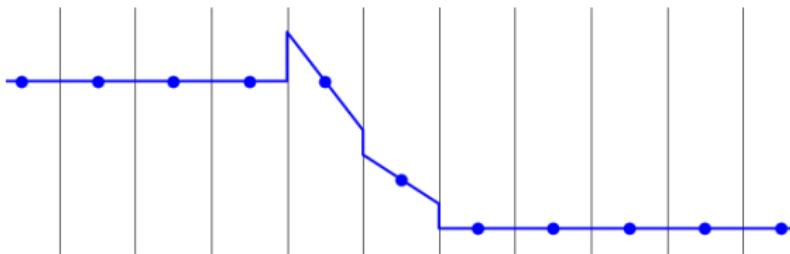
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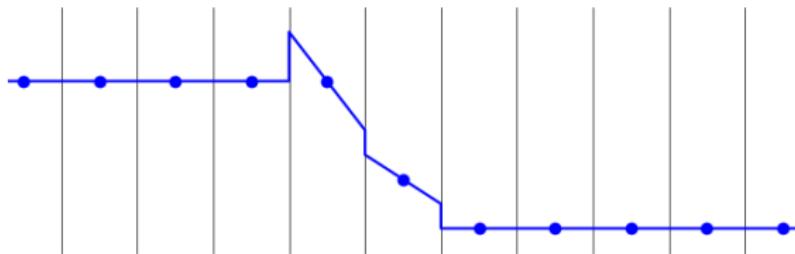
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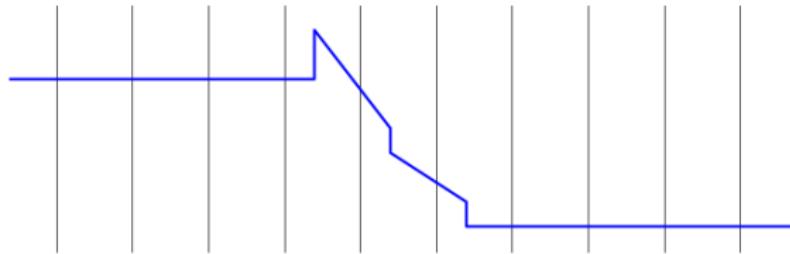


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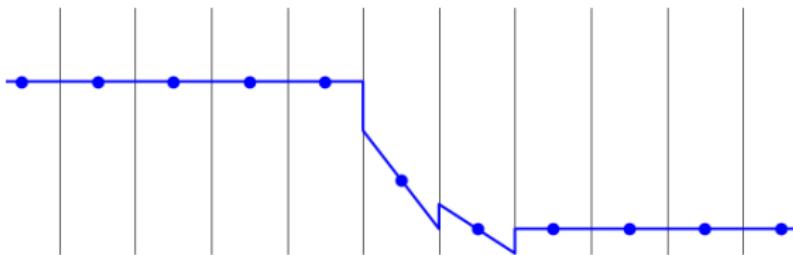


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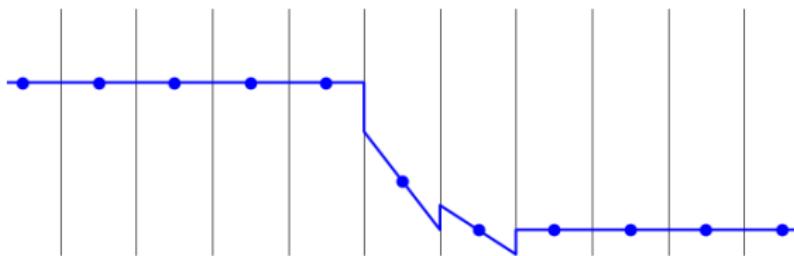
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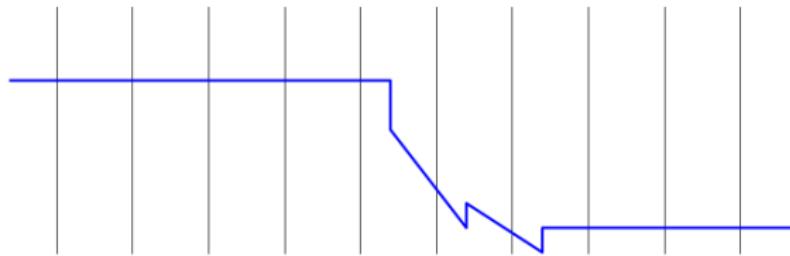


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High-resolution methods

Want to use slope where solution is smooth for “second-order” accuracy.

Where solution is not smooth, adding slope corrections gives oscillations.

Limit the slope based on the behavior of the solution, e.g.,

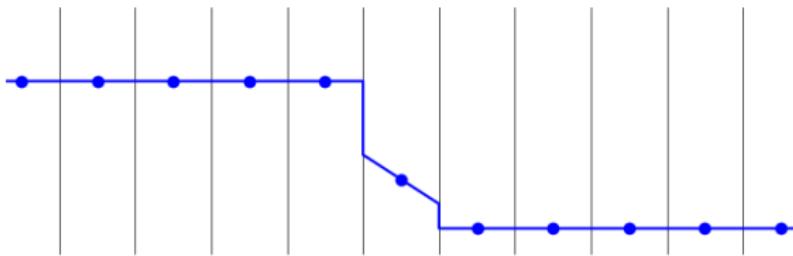
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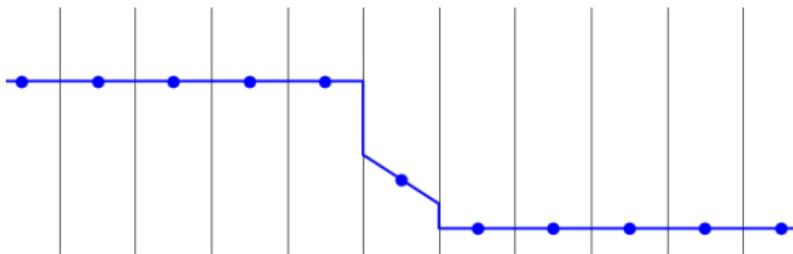
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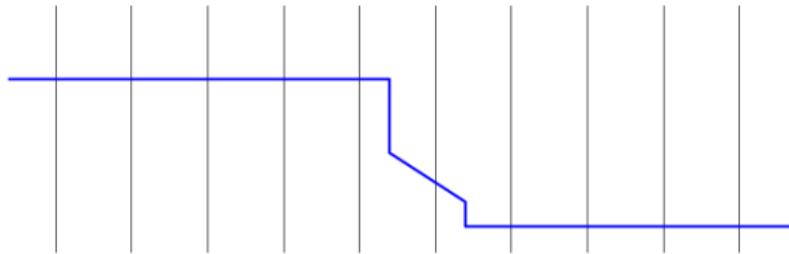


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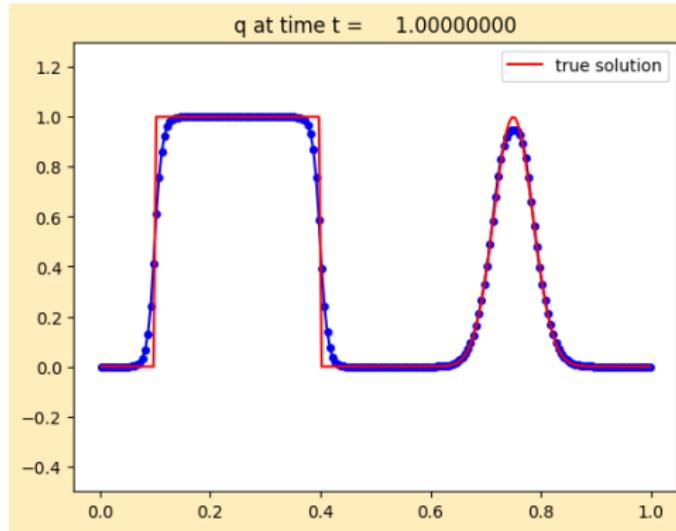


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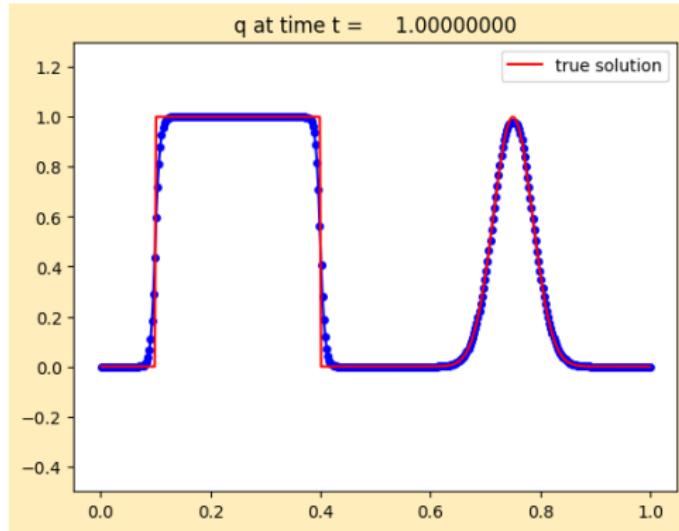
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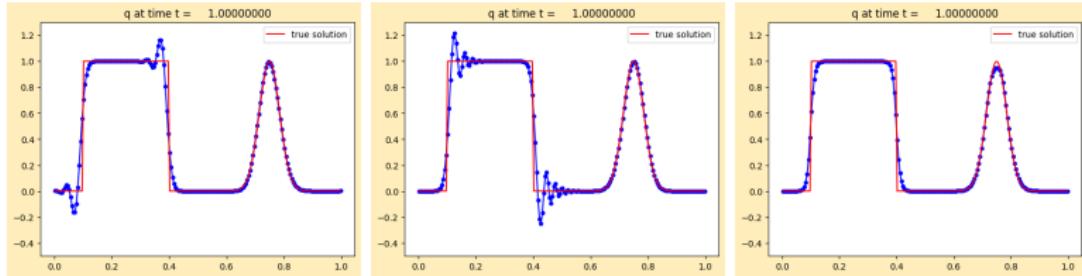


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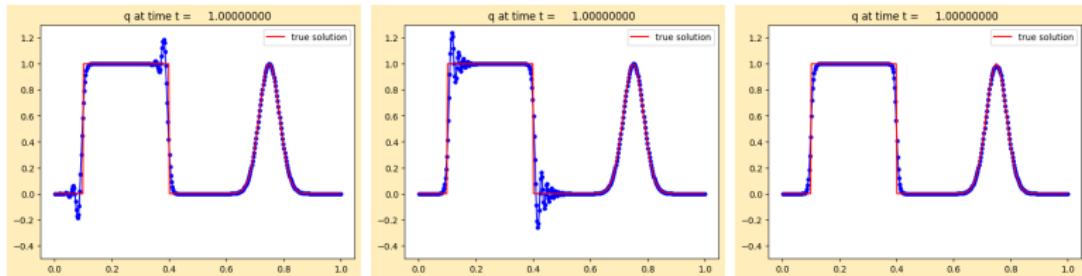
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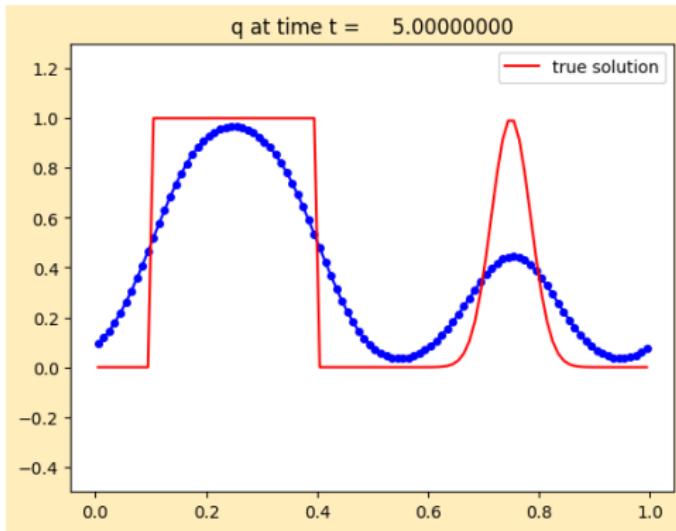


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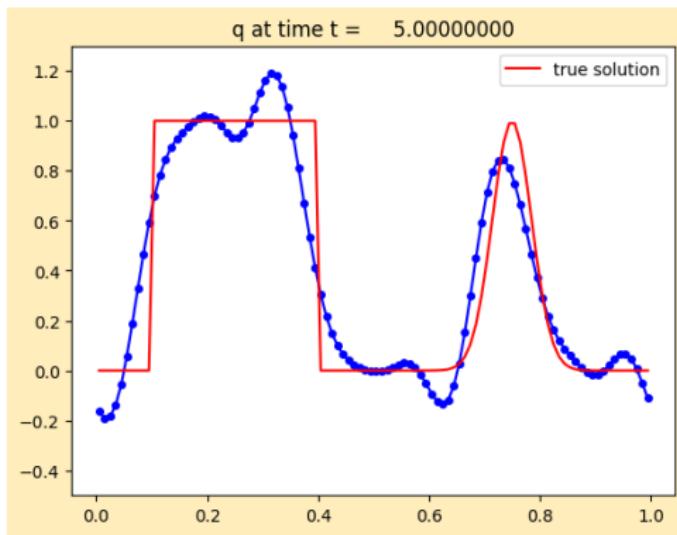
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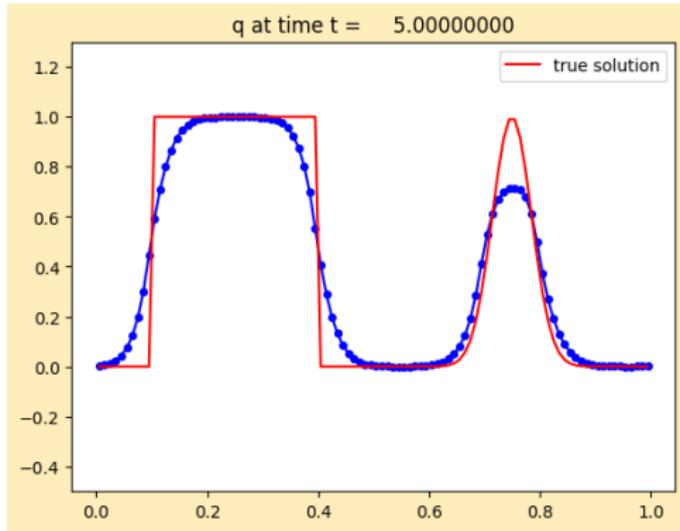
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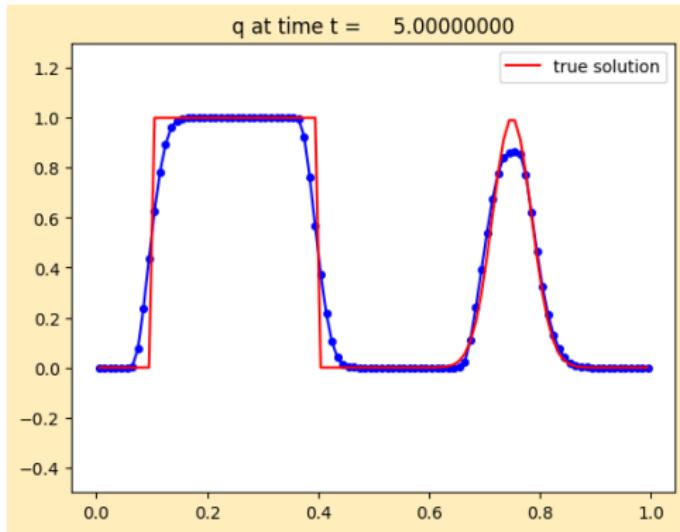
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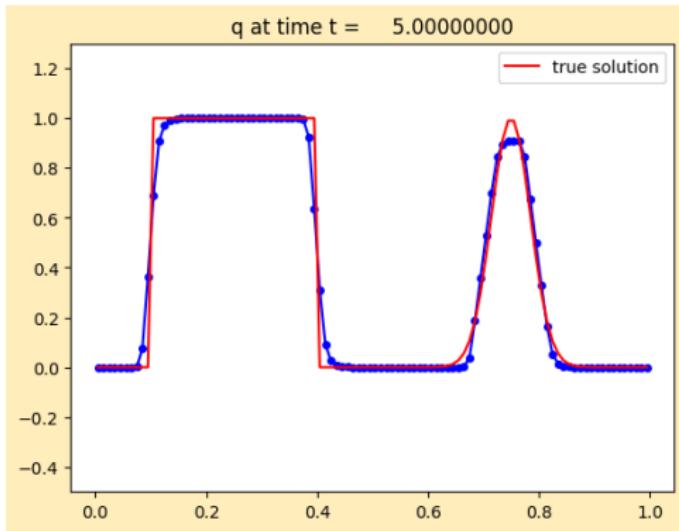
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Prove the contrapositive:

Suppose

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but after one step we do **not** have $Q_{i-1}^{n+1} \geq Q_i^{n+1}$ for all i .

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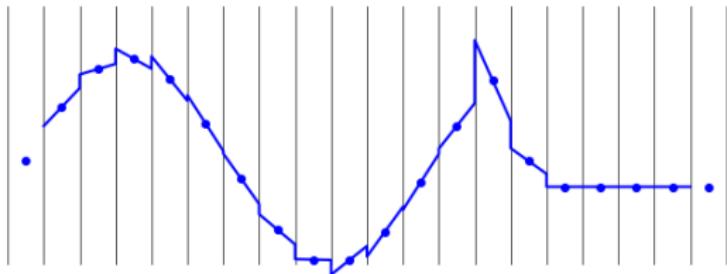
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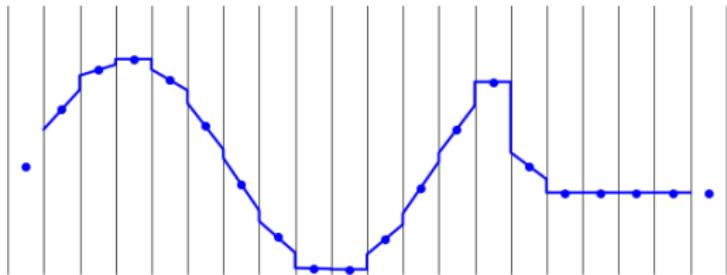
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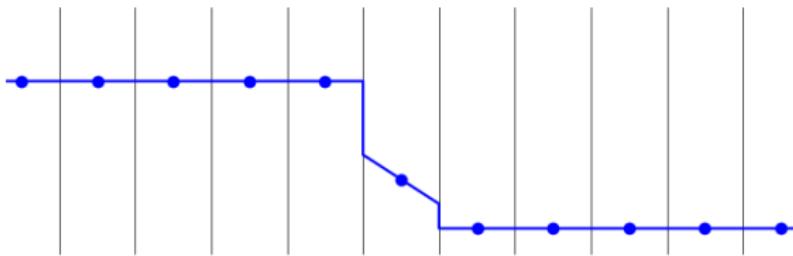
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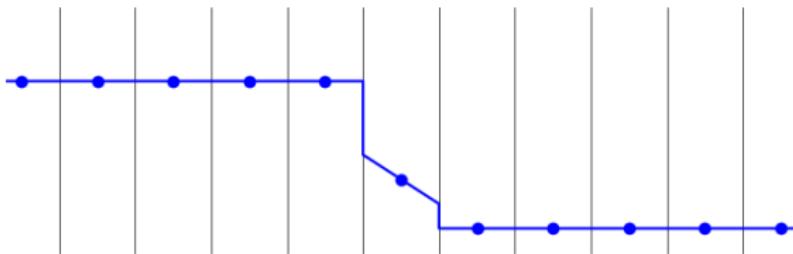
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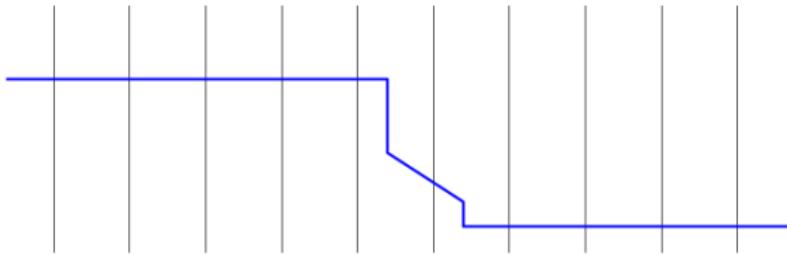


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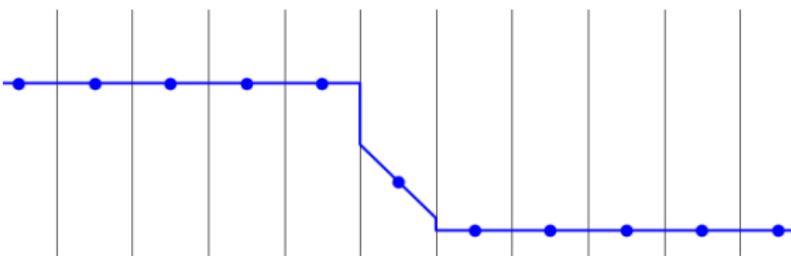


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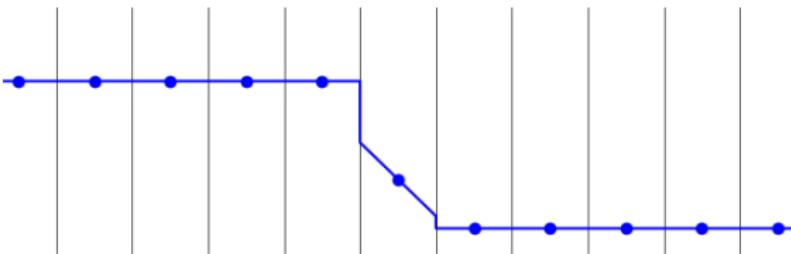
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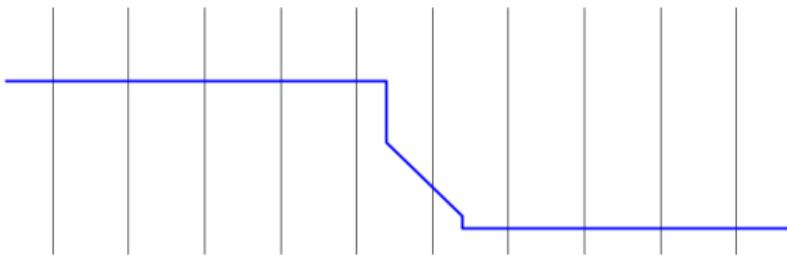


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Rationale:

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TVD REA Algorithm

- ① Reconstruct a piecewise linear function $\tilde{q}^n(x, t_n)$ defined for all x , from the cell averages Q_i^n .

$$\tilde{q}^n(x, t_n) = Q_i^n + \sigma_i^n(x - x_i) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{C}_i$$

with the property that $TV(\tilde{q}^n) \leq TV(Q^n)$.

- ② Evolve the hyperbolic equation exactly (or approximately) with this initial data to obtain $\tilde{q}^n(x, t_{n+1})$ a time k later.
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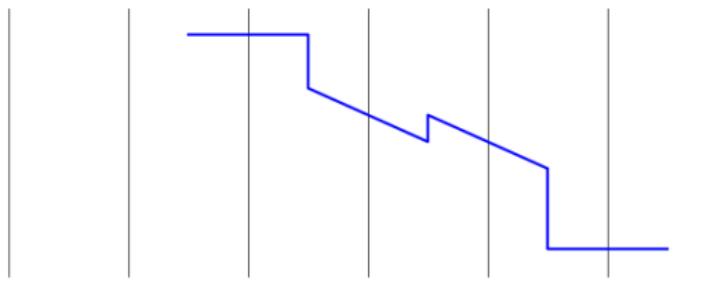


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- Solve Riemann problem to decompose $\Delta Q_{i-1/2}^n$ into waves

$$\Delta Q_{i-1/2} = \sum_p \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p = \sum_p \alpha_{i-1/2}^p r^p$$

- Use wave propagation form of Godunov (first-order) update
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Can be written as:

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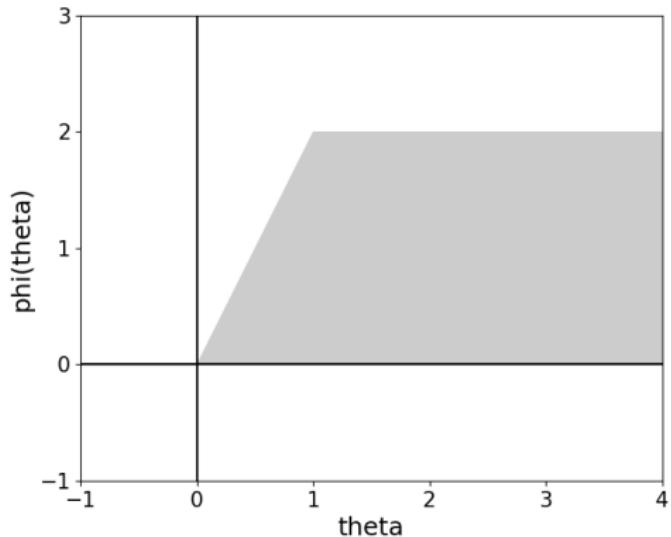
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$$0 \leq \phi(\theta) \leq \text{minmod}(2, 2\theta).$$

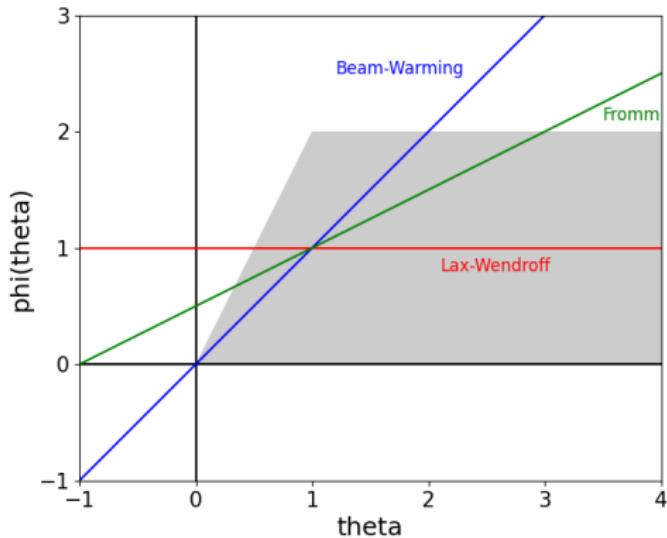
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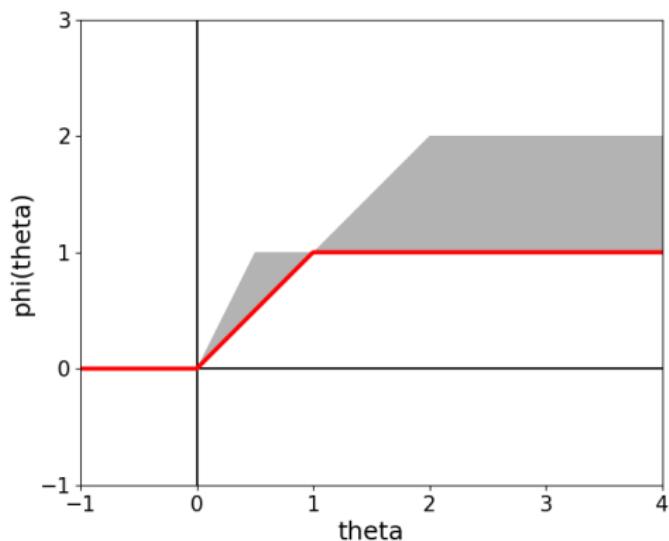
Standard second order methods go outside this region.

Recall we want $\phi(1) = 1$ for good accuracy of smooth solutions.

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Sweby's investigation suggested best methods lie between Lax-Wendroff and Beam-Warming (and inside the TVD region).

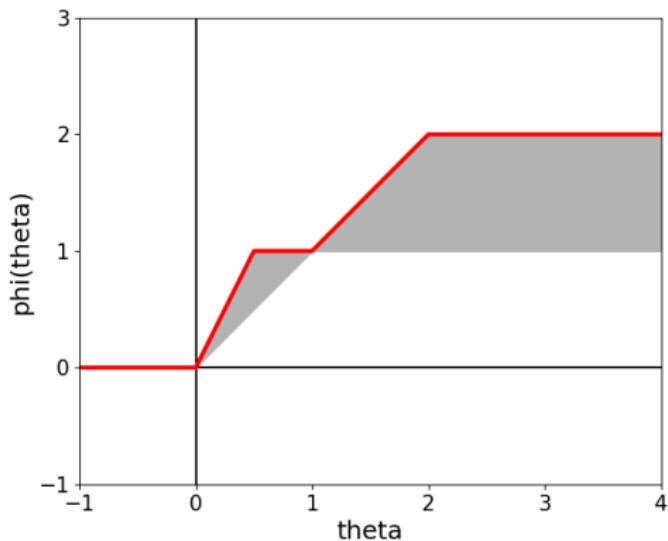
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$\phi(\theta) = \minmod(1, \theta)$ follows the lower limit of this region.

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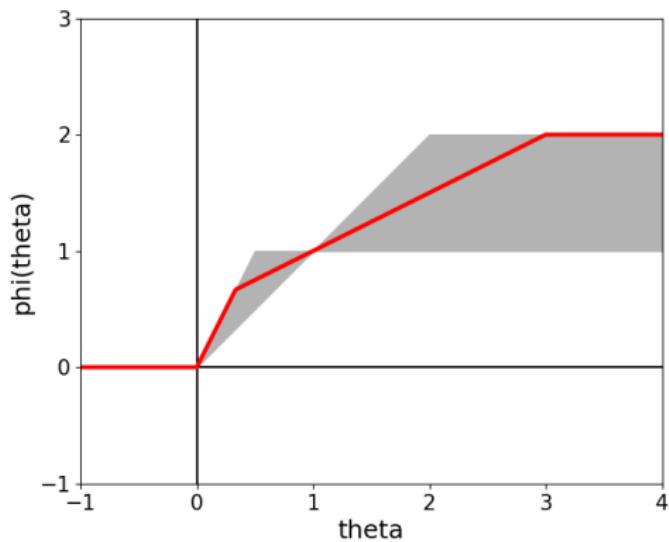
The **superbee** limiter follows the upper limit:



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MC method

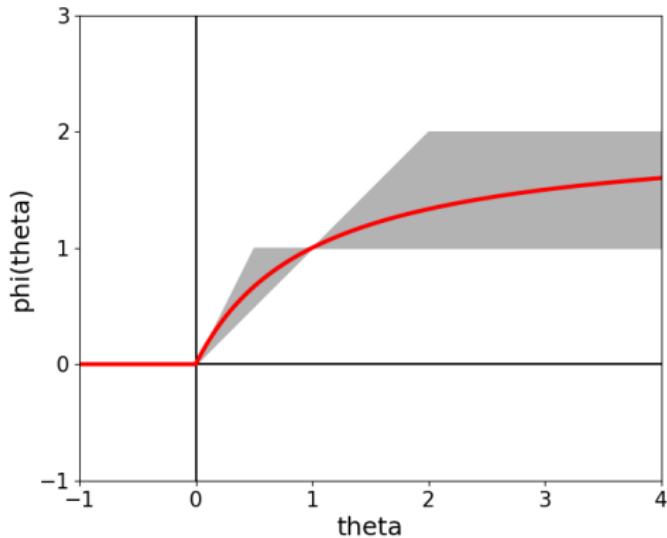
The Monotonized Centered (MC) limiter follows Fromm's method near $\theta = 1$, and is smooth at $\theta = 1$:



$$\phi(\theta) = \max(0, \min((1 + \theta)/2, 2, 2\theta))$$

van Leer method

The van Leer limiter is a smoother version of MC



$$\phi(\theta) = \frac{\theta + |\theta|}{1 + |\theta|}.$$

Some popular limiters

Linear methods:

$$\text{upwind} : \phi(\theta) = 0$$

$$\text{Lax-Wendroff} : \phi(\theta) = 1$$

$$\text{Beam-Warming} : \phi(\theta) = \theta$$

$$\text{Fromm} : \phi(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \theta)$$

High-resolution limiters:

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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Nonlinear Scalar PDEs – Traffic flow

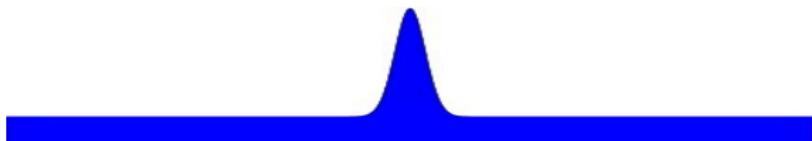
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Note:

- System of two equations gives rise to 2 waves.
- Each wave behaves like solution of nonlinear scalar equation.

Not quite... no linear superposition. Nonlinear interaction!

Shocks in traffic flow



Car following model

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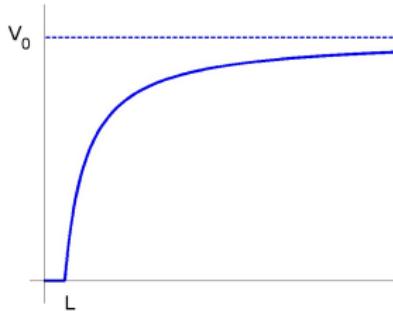
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$$V_j(t) = v(X_{j+1}(t) - X_j(t))$$

for some function $v(s)$ that defines speed as a function of separation s .

Simulations: <http://www.traffic-simulation.de/>
Select ring road and watch for shock to develop.

Function $v(s)$ (speed as function of separation)



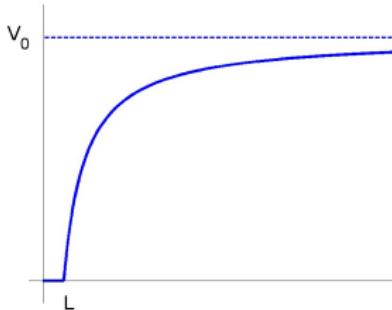
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Local density: $0 < L/s \leq 1$ ($s = L \implies$ bumper-to-bumper)

Continuum model

Switch to density function:

Let $q(x, t)$ = density of cars, normalized so:

Units for x : carlengths, so $x = 10$ is 10 carlengths from $x = 0$.

Units for q : cars per carlength, so $0 \leq q \leq 1$.

Total number of cars in interval $x_1 \leq x \leq x_2$ at time t is

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx$$

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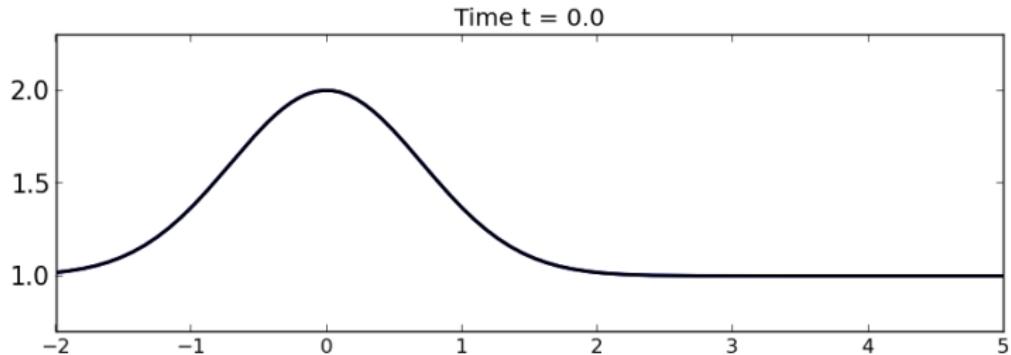
Like an advection equation with u advected with speed u .

True solution: u is constant along characteristic with speed $f'(u) = u$ until the wave “breaks” (**shock forms**).

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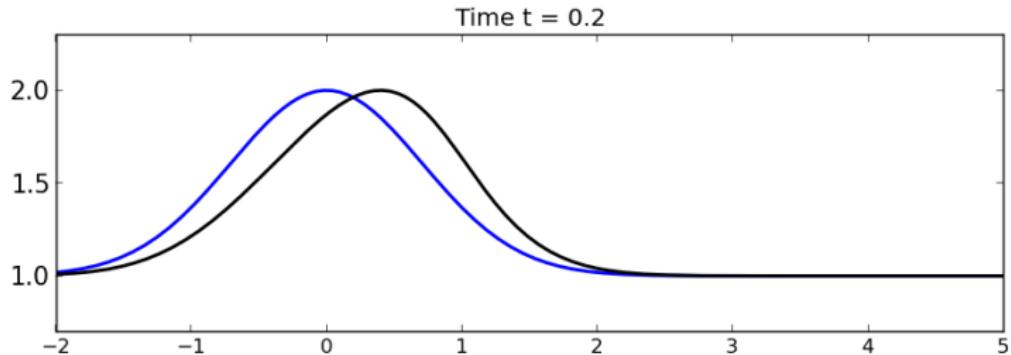
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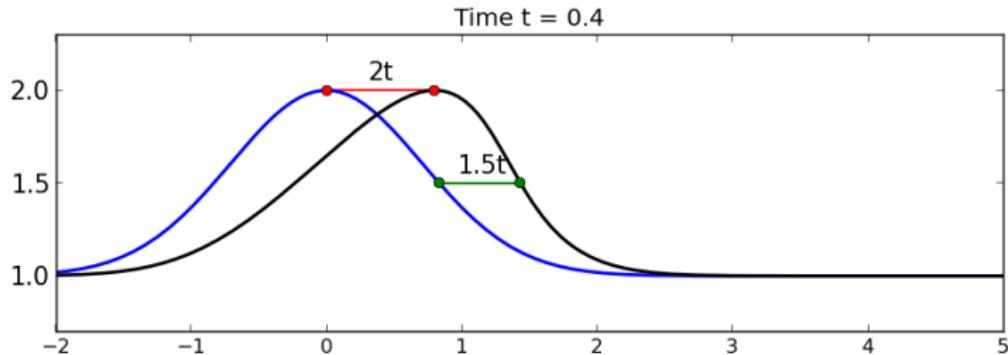
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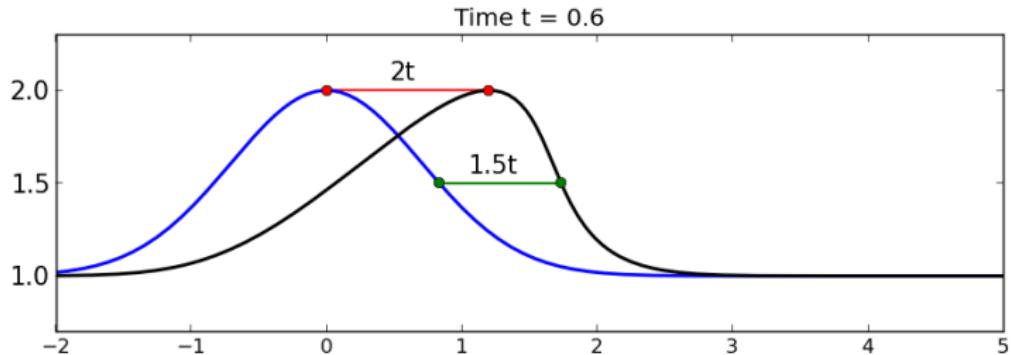
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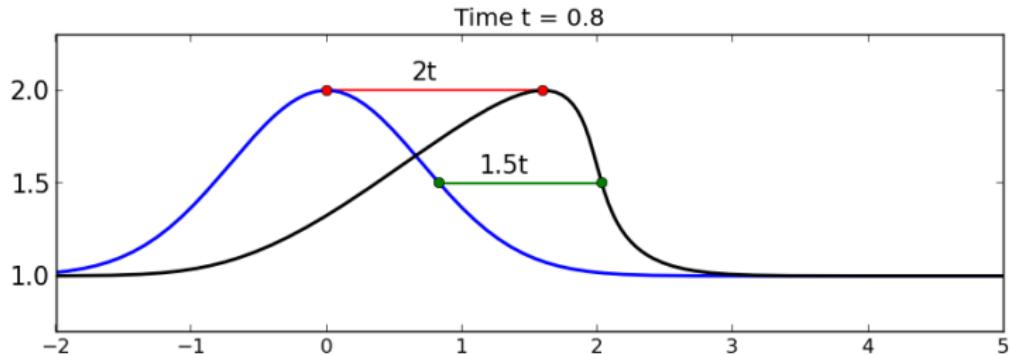
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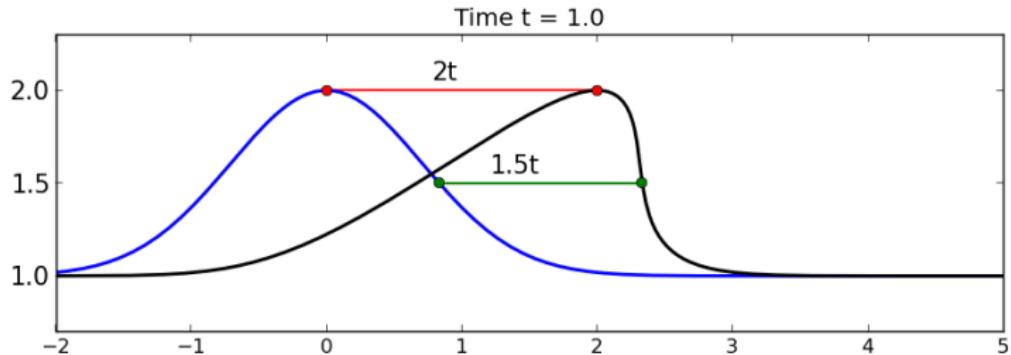
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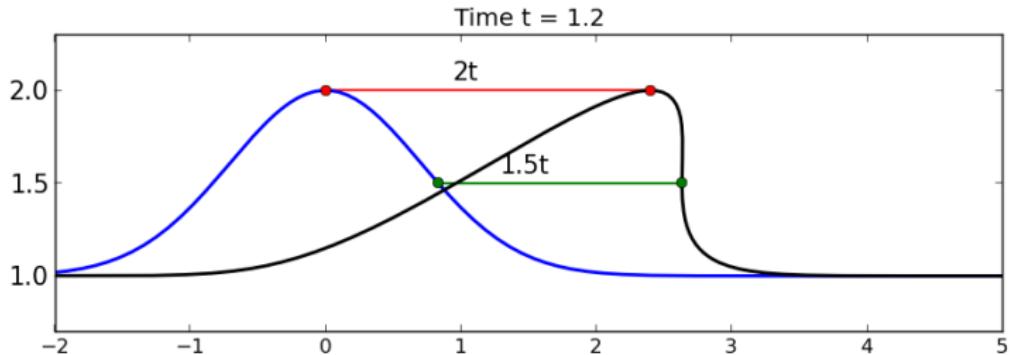
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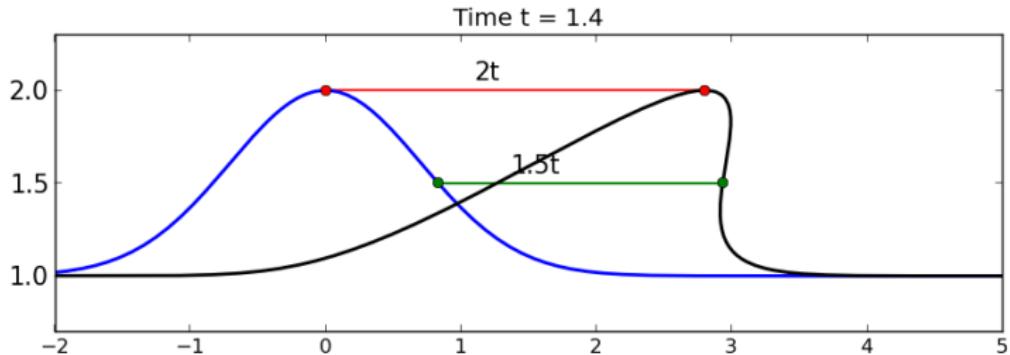
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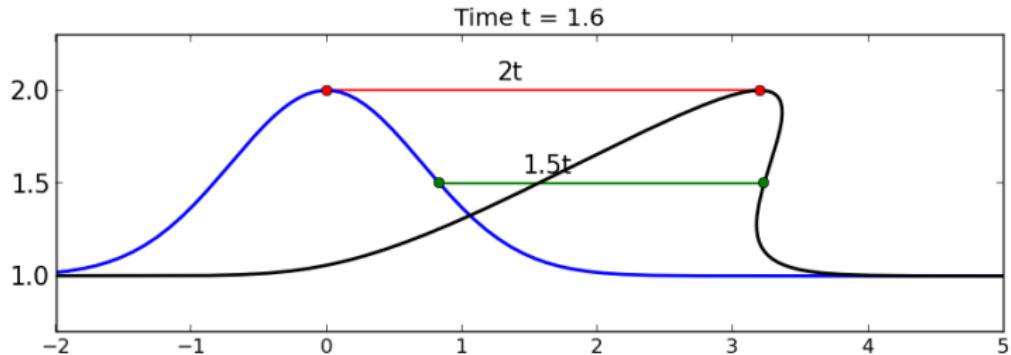
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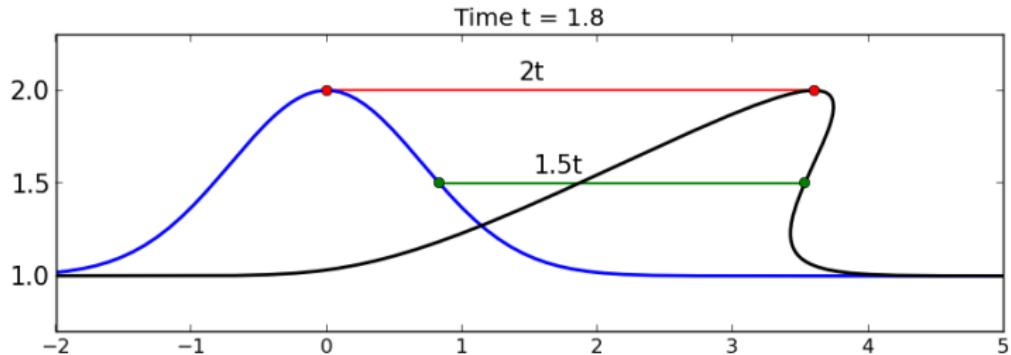
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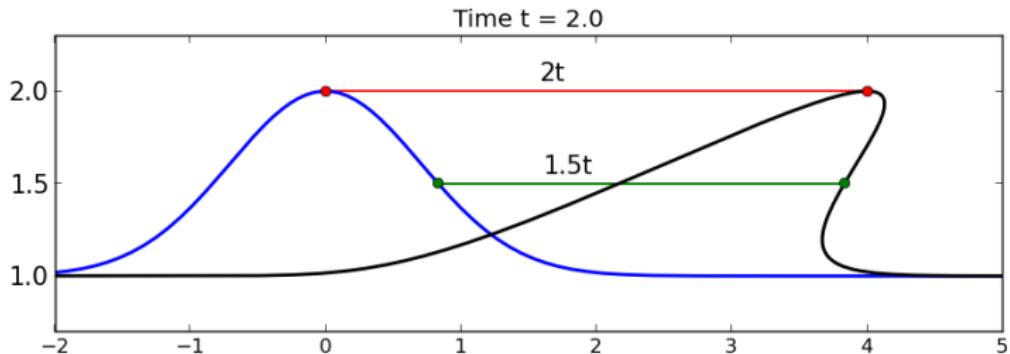
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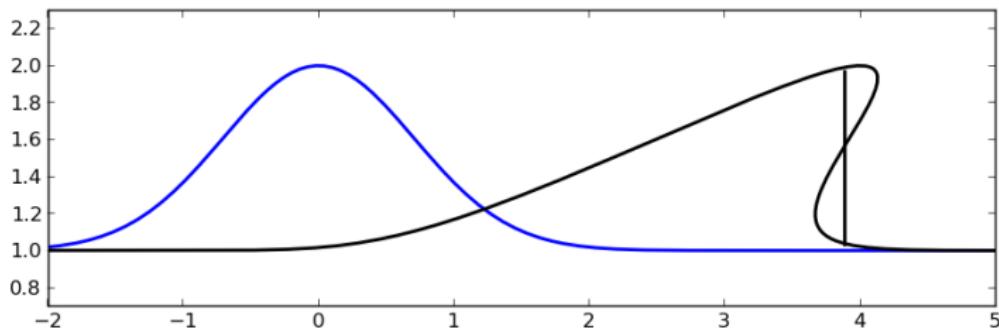
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Triple valued solution is not physically possible for density.

Equal-area rule:

The area “under” the curve is conserved with time,

We must insert a shock so the two areas cut off are equal.



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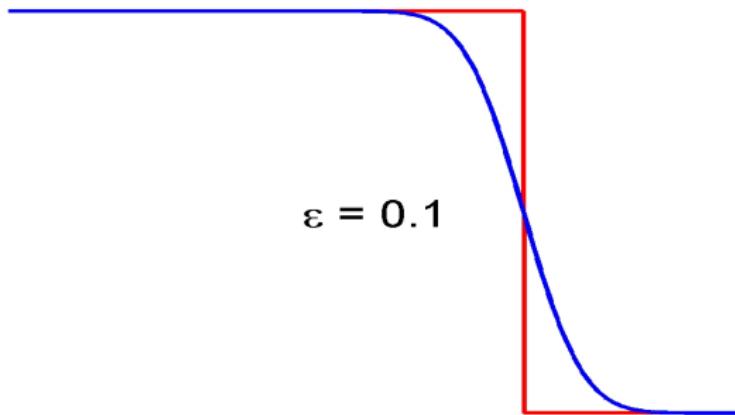
- Solving parabolic equation requires implicit method,
- Often correct value of physical “viscosity” is very small, shock profile that cannot be resolved on the desired grid
 \implies smoothness of exact solution doesn’t help!

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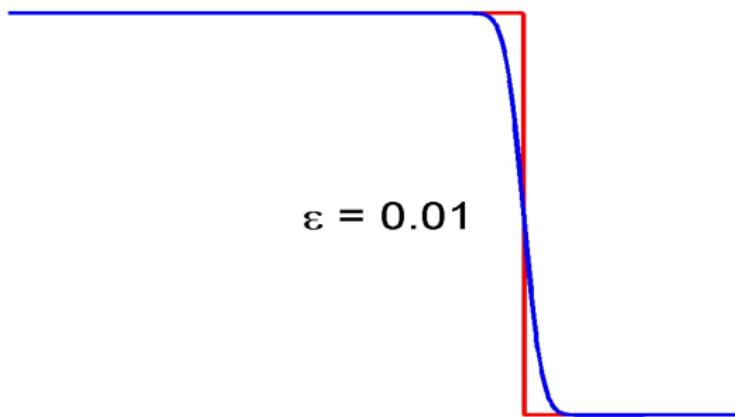


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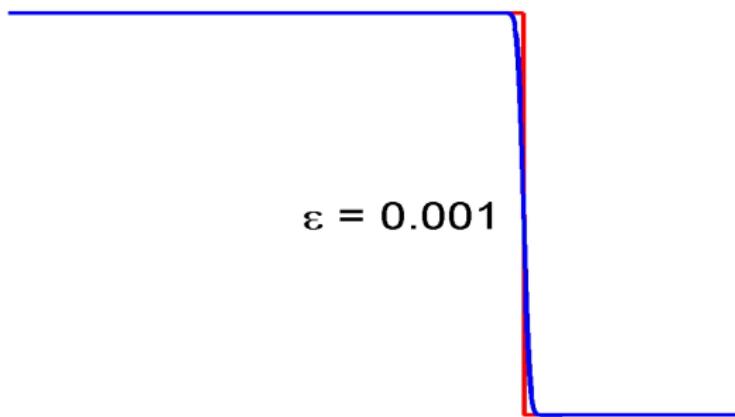


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$q(x, t)$ is a **weak solution** if it satisfies the integral form of the conservation law over all rectangles in space-time,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_2) dx - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_1) dx \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(q(x_1, t)) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(q(x_2, t)) dt \end{aligned}$$

Obtained by integrating

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_1, t)) - f(q(x_2, t))$$

from t_n to t_{n+1} .

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Then we can integrate by parts to get

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty (q\phi_t + f(q)\phi_x) dx dt = - \int_{-\infty}^\infty q(x, 0)\phi(x, 0) dx.$$

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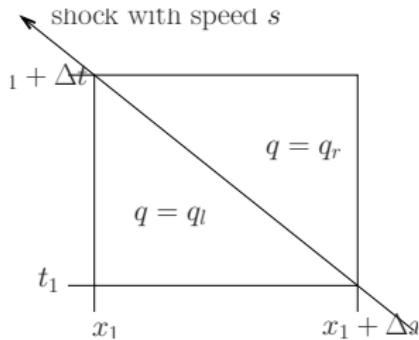
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Note: The weak solution may not be unique!

Shock speed with states q_l and q_r at instant t_1



Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_1}^{x_1 + \Delta x} q(x, t_1 + \Delta t) dx - \int_{x_1}^{x_1 + \Delta x} q(x, t_1) dx \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_1 + \Delta t} f(q(x_1, t)) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_1 + \Delta t} f(q(x_1 + \Delta x, t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Since q is essentially constant along each edge, this becomes

$$\Delta x q_\ell - \Delta x q_r = \Delta t f(q_\ell) - \Delta t f(q_r) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2),$$

Taking the limit as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ gives

$$s(q_r - q_\ell) = f(q_r) - f(q_\ell).$$

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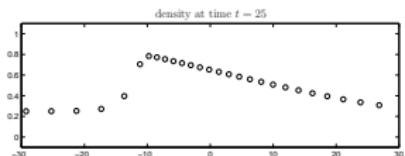
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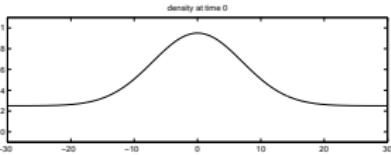
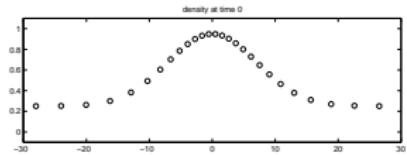
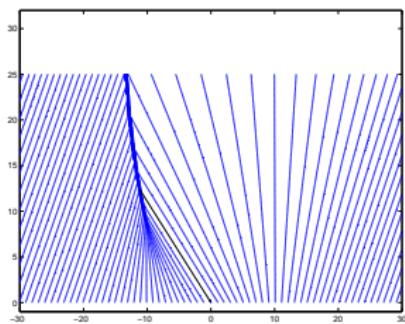
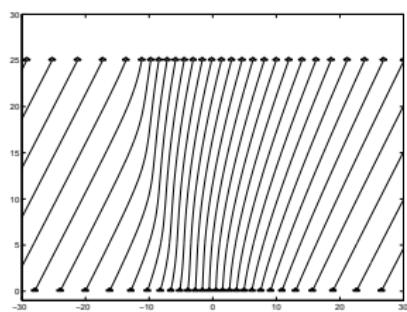
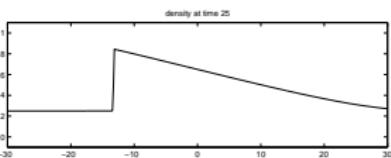


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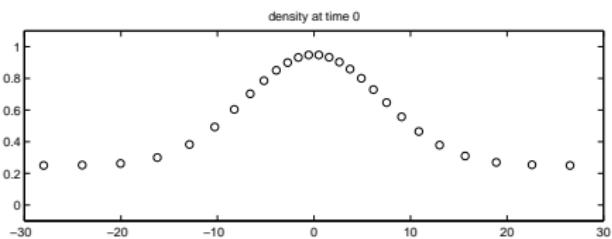
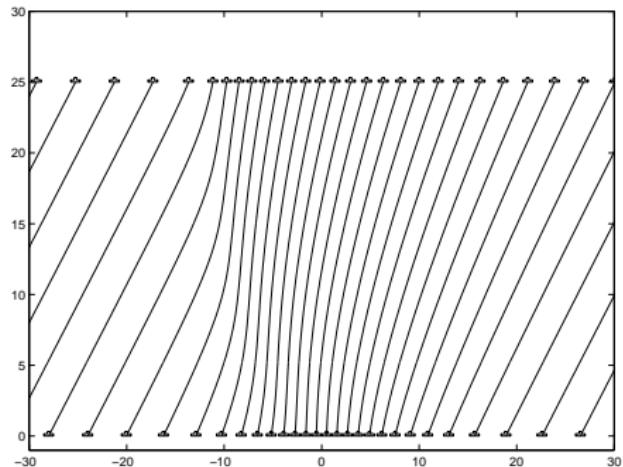
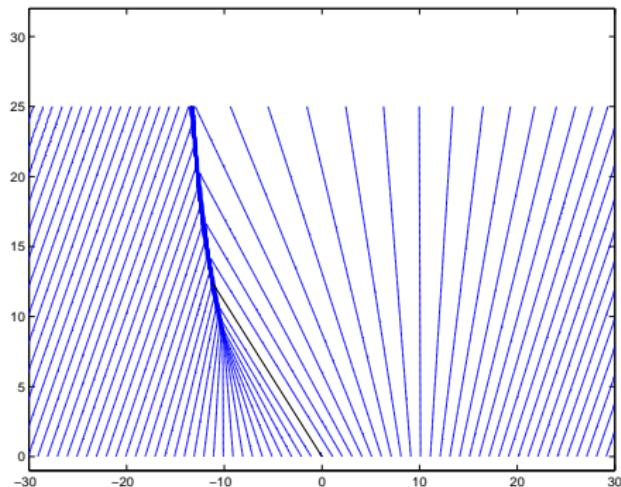
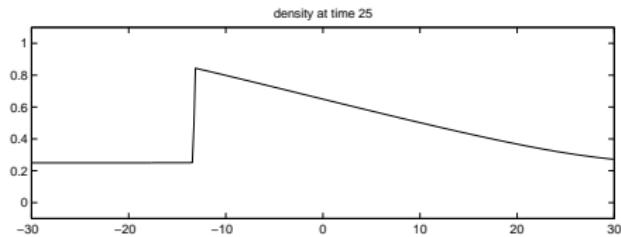


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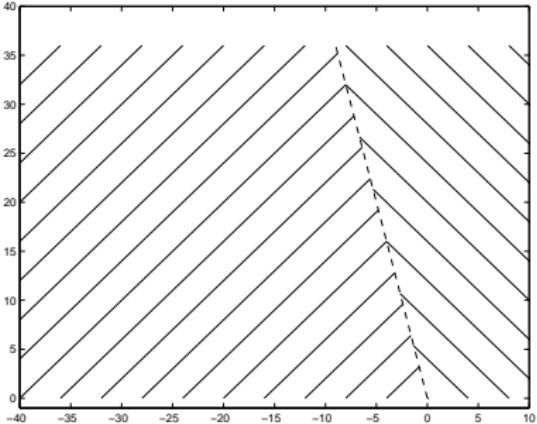
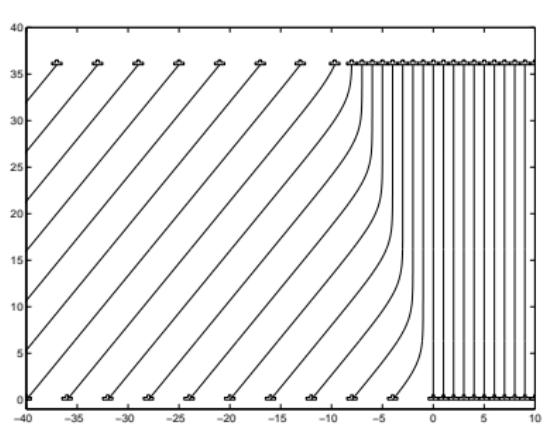
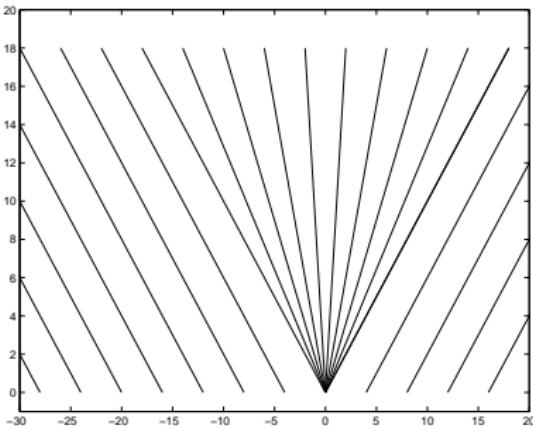
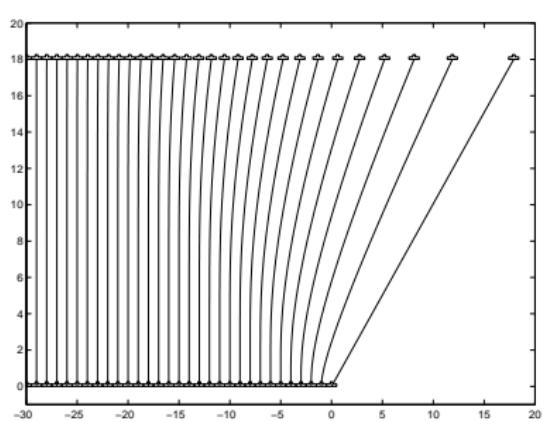


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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Nonlinear Scalar Conservation Laws Rarefaction Waves

- Form of centered rarefaction wave
- Non-uniqueness of weak solutions
- Entropy conditions

Weak solutions to $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$

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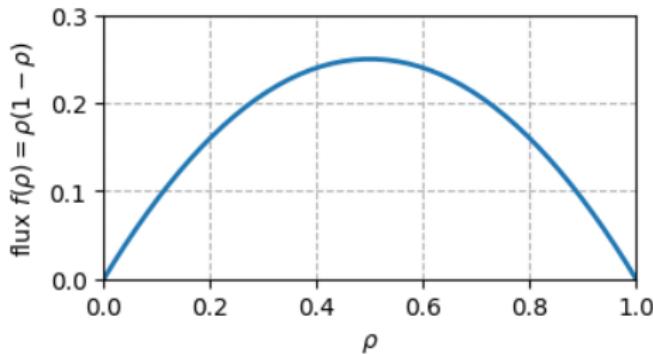
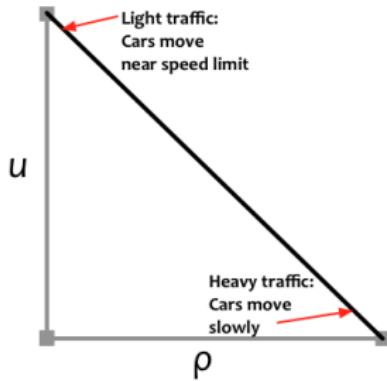
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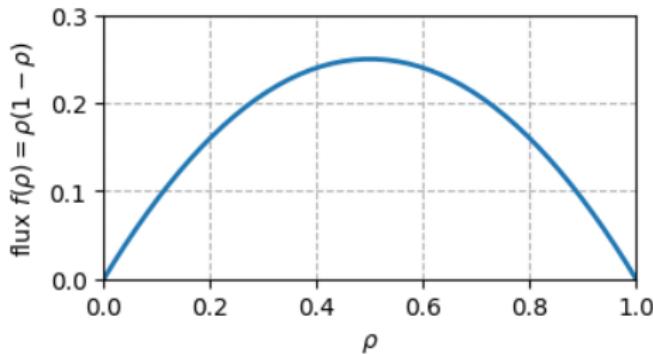
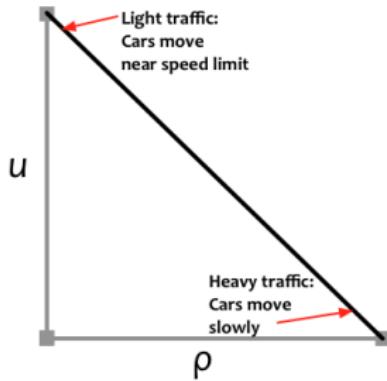
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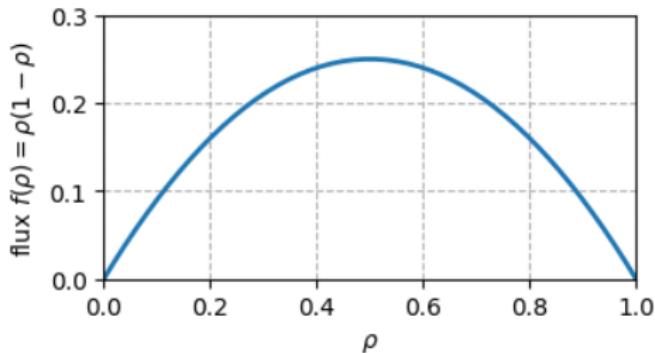
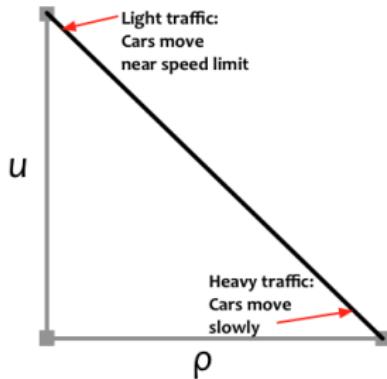
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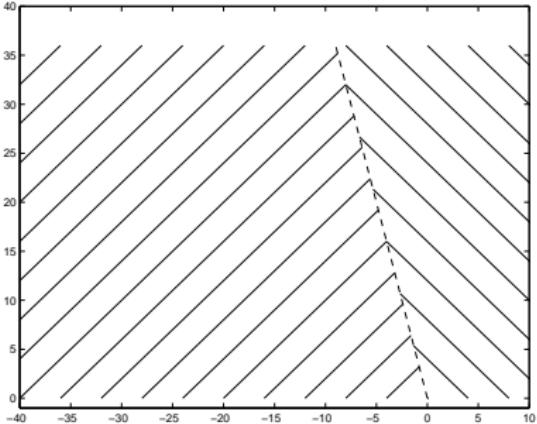
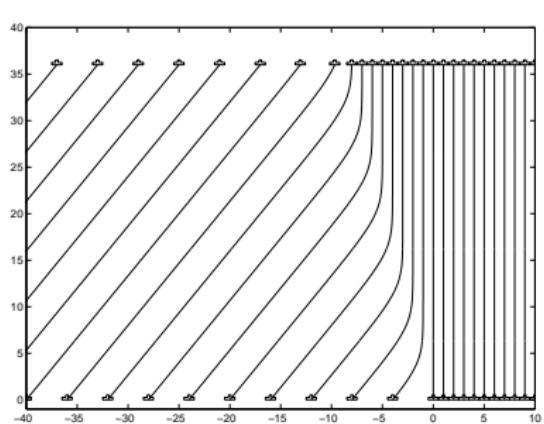
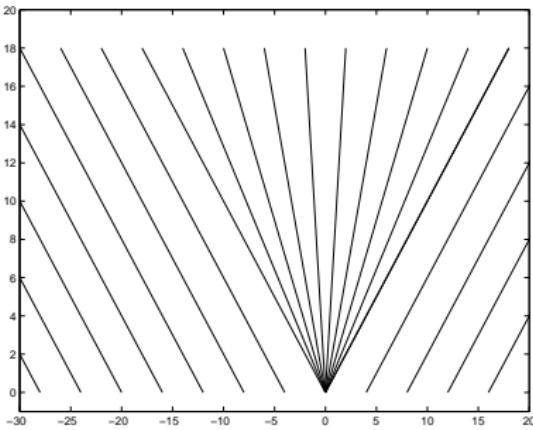
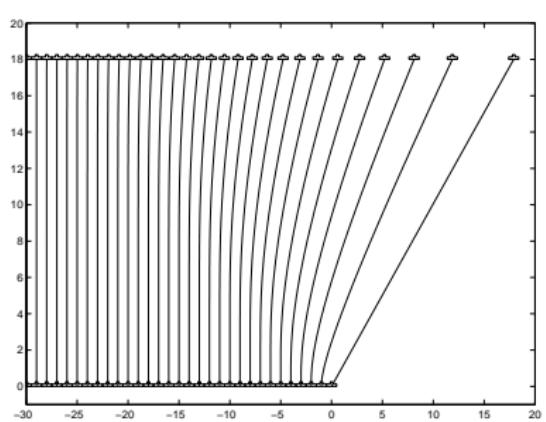


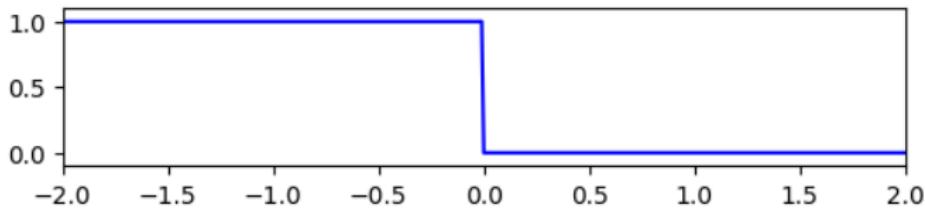
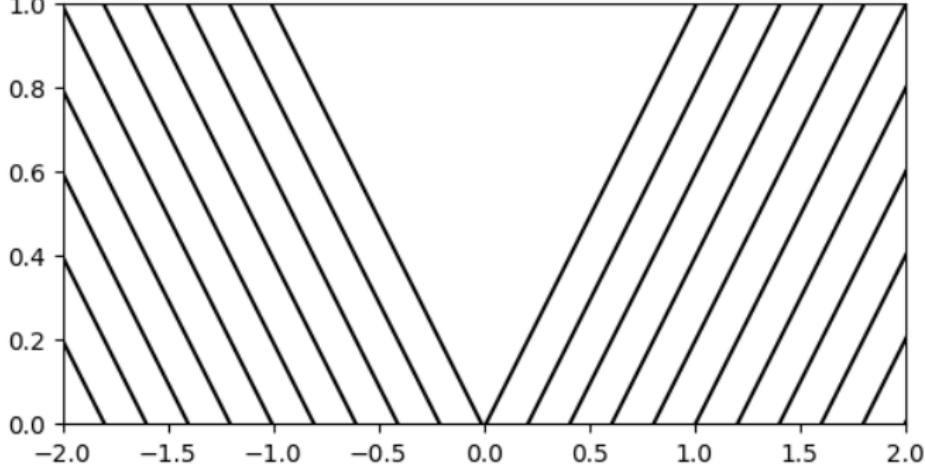
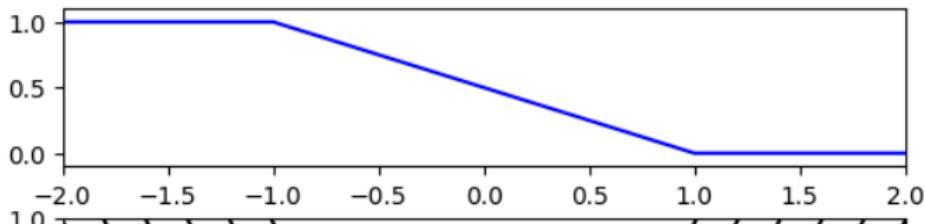
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Centered rarefaction waves

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solves the Riemann problem for convex f , provided

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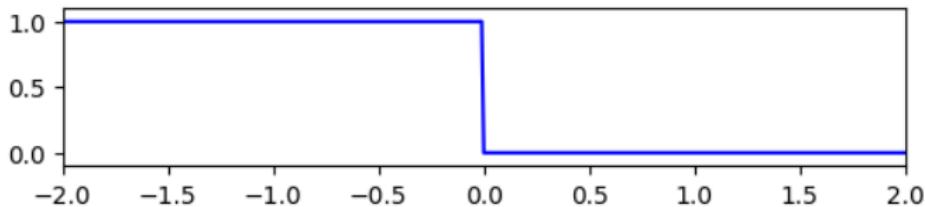
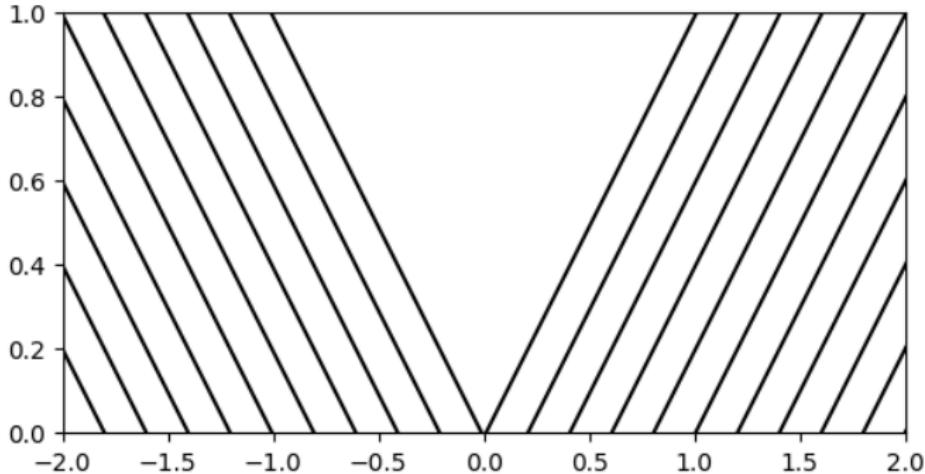
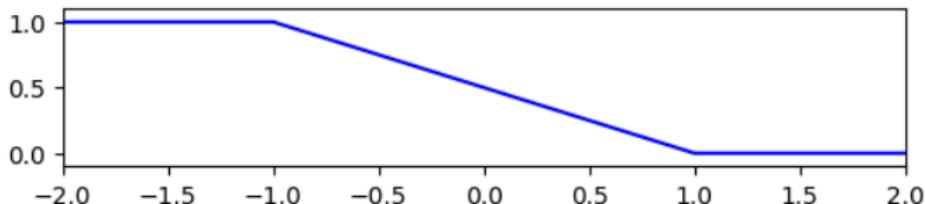
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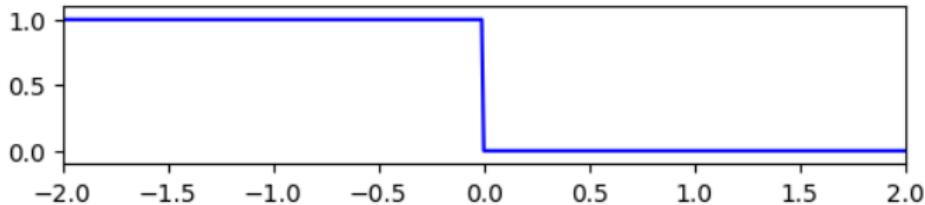
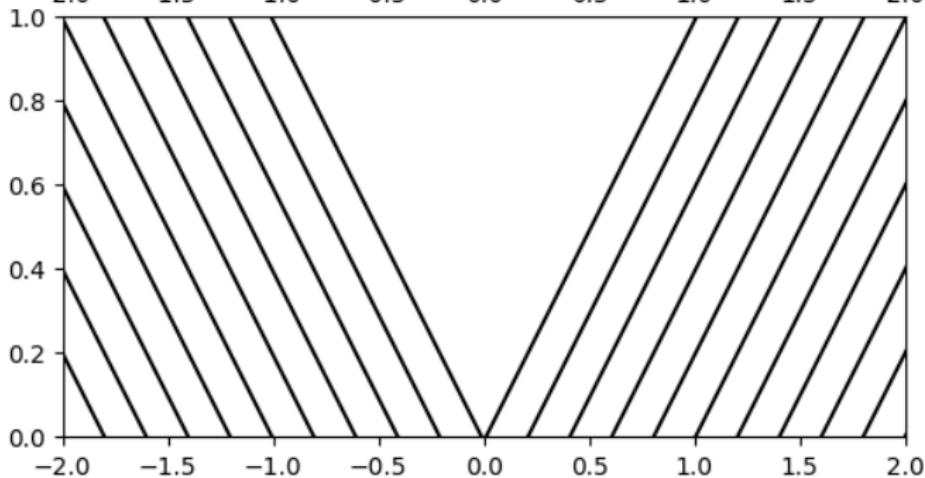
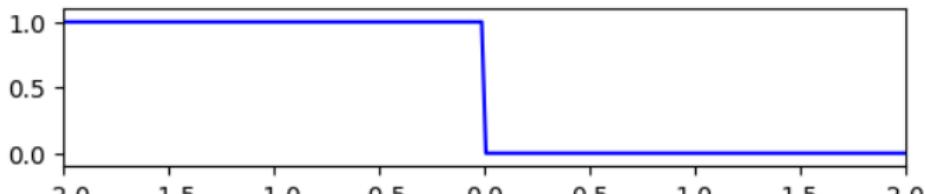
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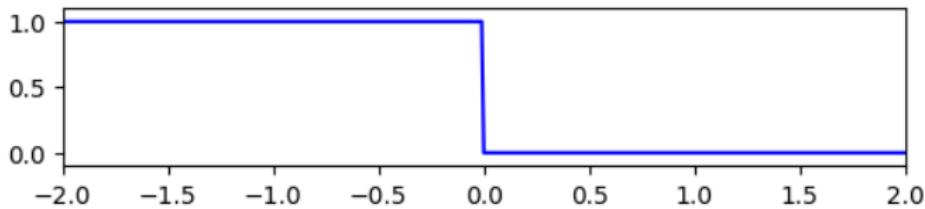
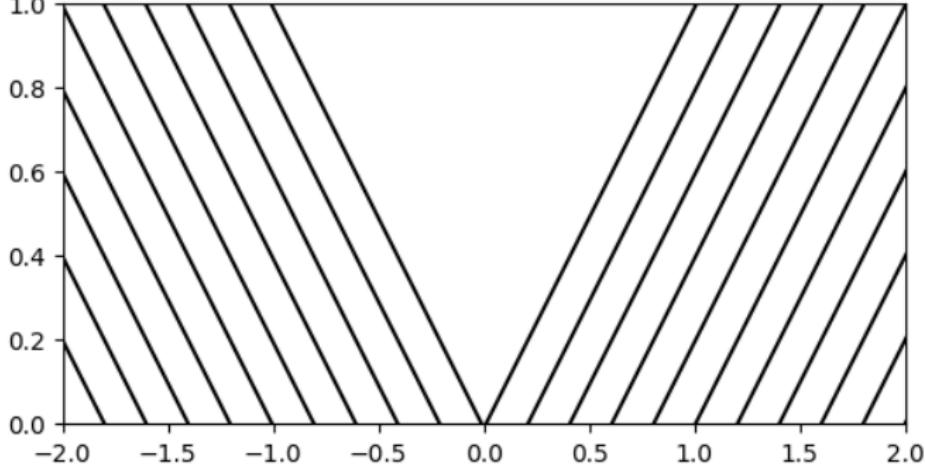
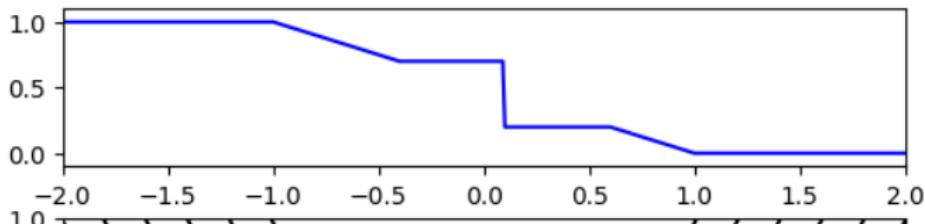
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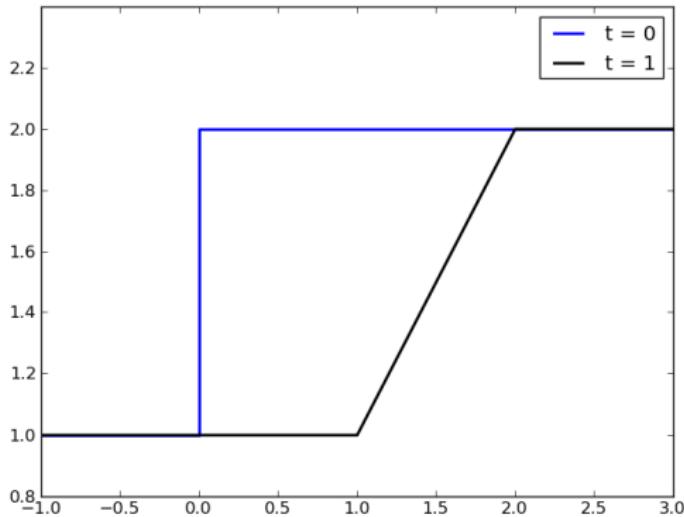


Weak solutions to Burgers' equation

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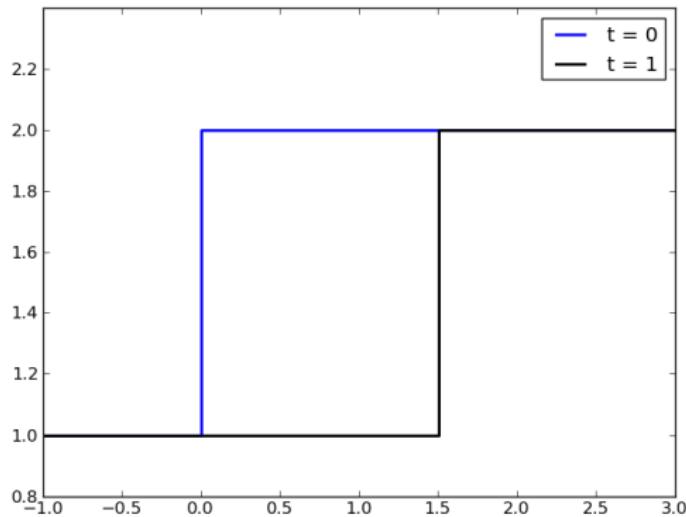


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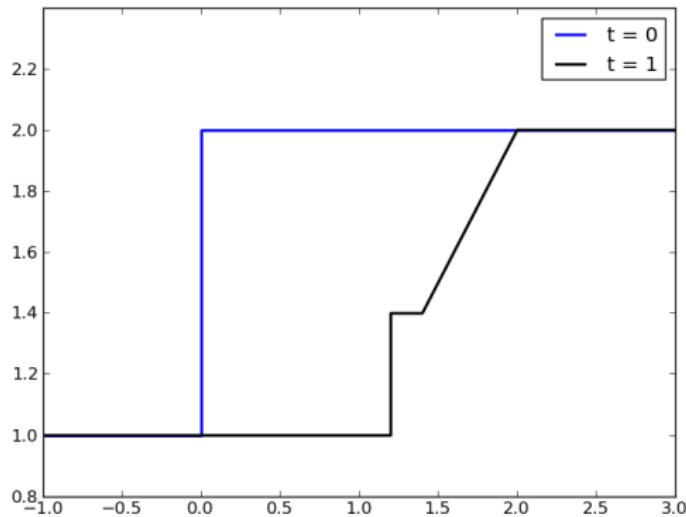


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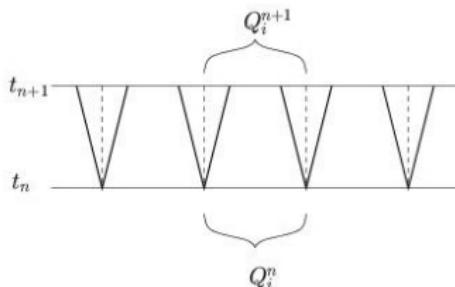
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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

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- Fluxes, cell averages, and wave propagation form
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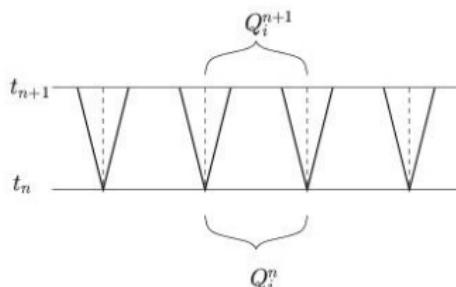
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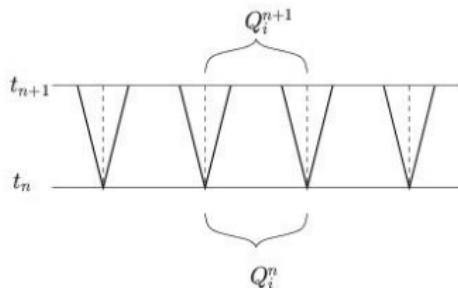
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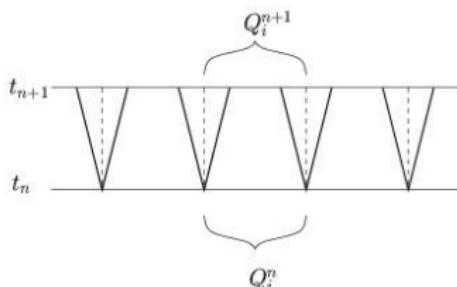


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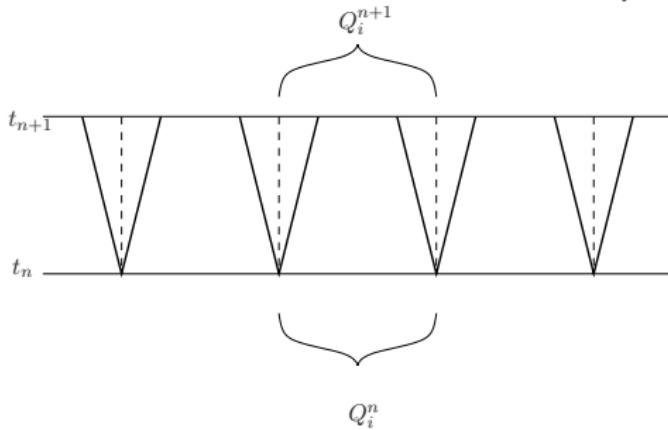
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Godunov's method with flux differencing

Q_i^n defines a piecewise constant function

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Discontinuities at cell interfaces \implies Riemann problems.



$$\tilde{q}^n(x_{i-1/2}, t) \equiv q^\psi(Q_{i-1}, Q_i) \text{ for } t > t_n.$$

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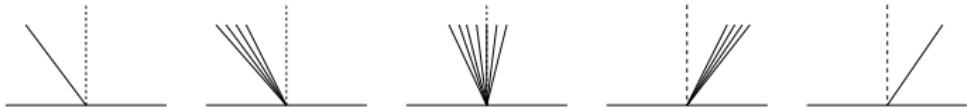
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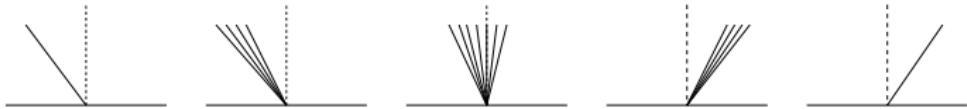
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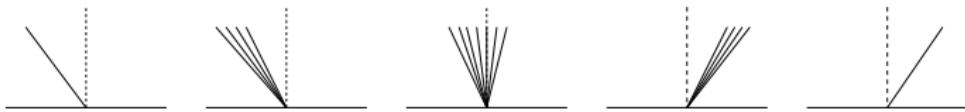
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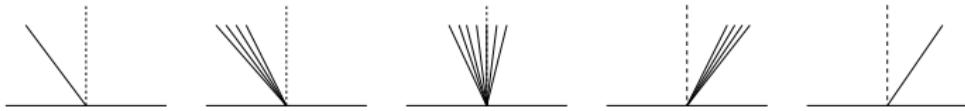


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A more general formula: (for any continuous $f(q)$)

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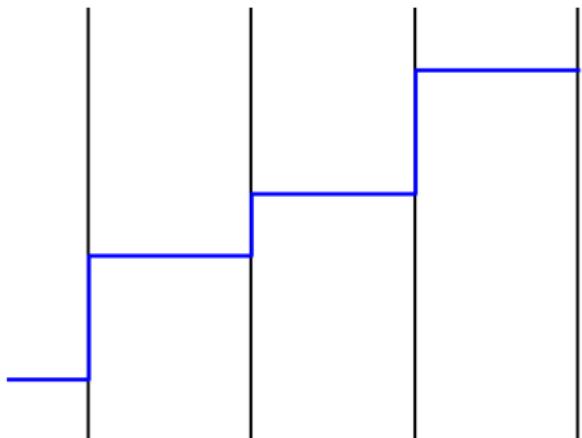
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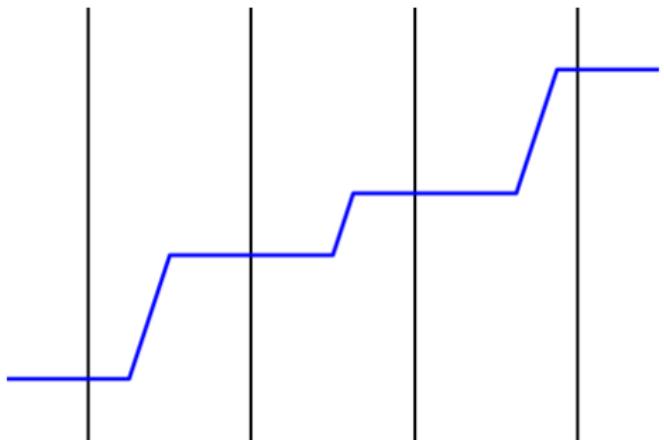
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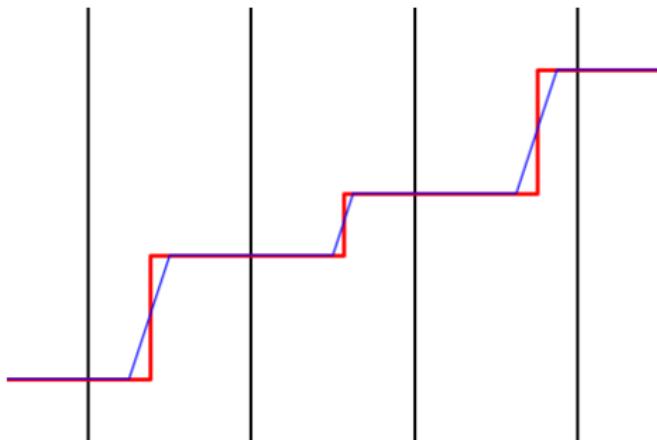
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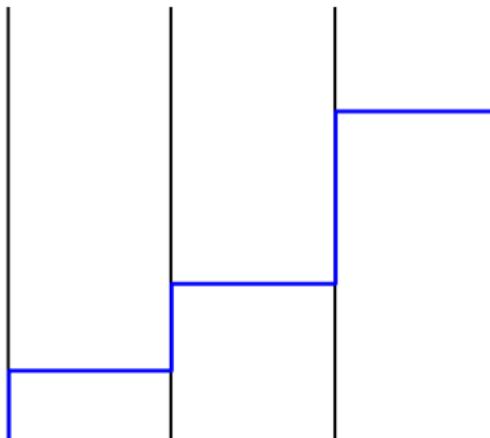
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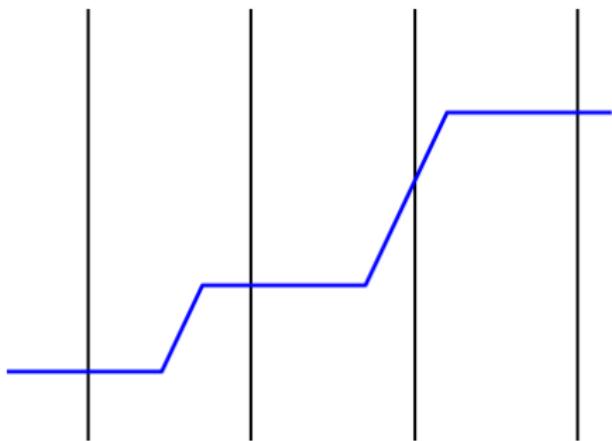
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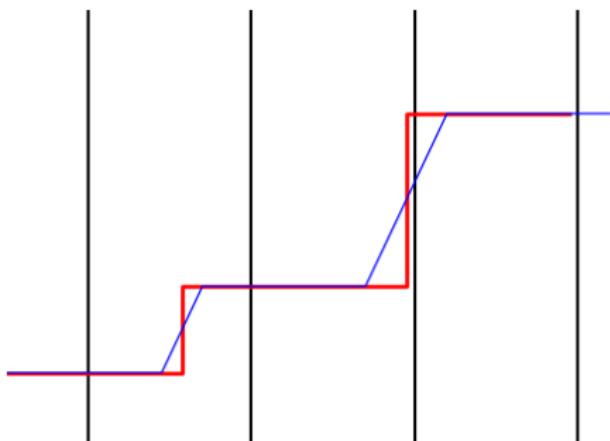
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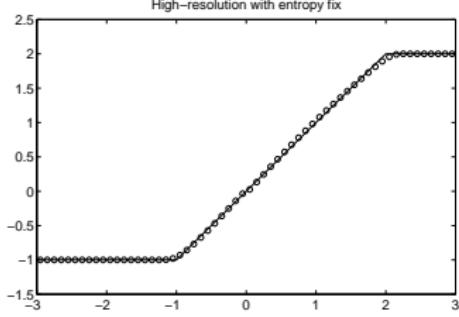
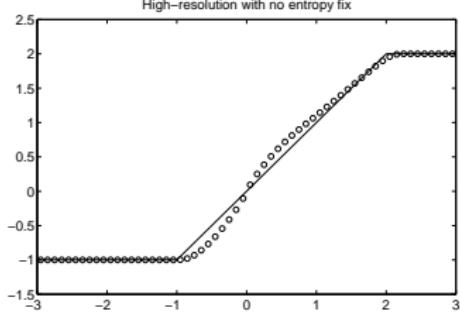
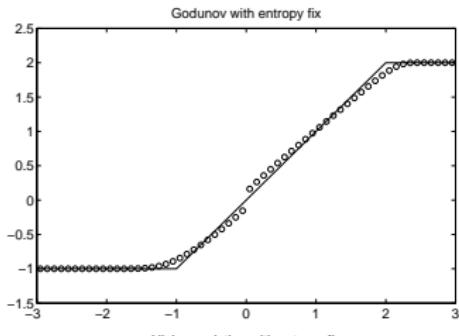
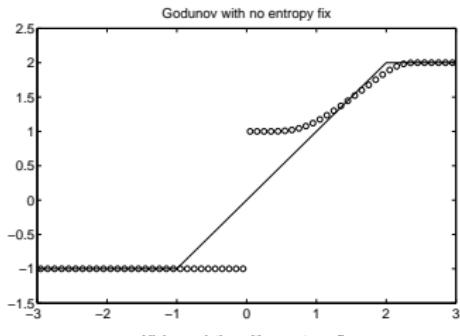
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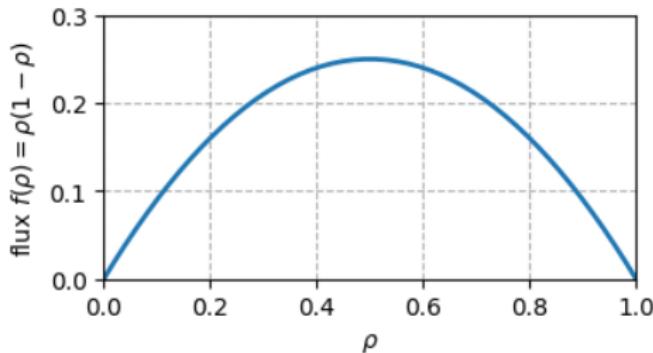
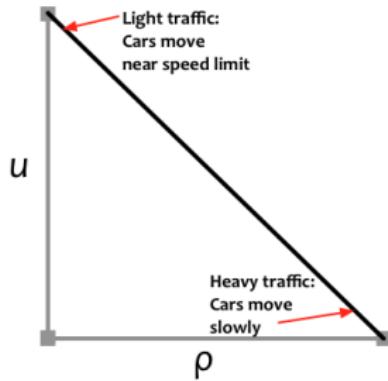


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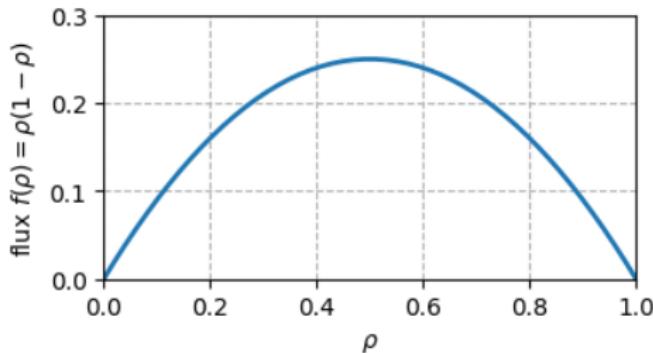
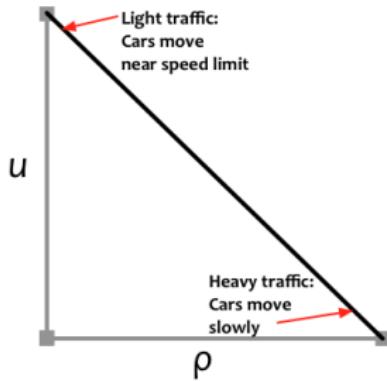
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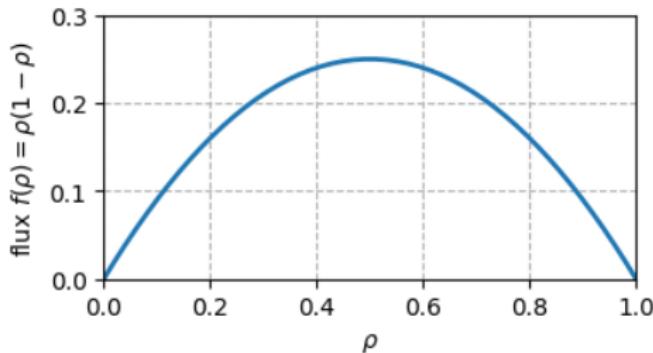
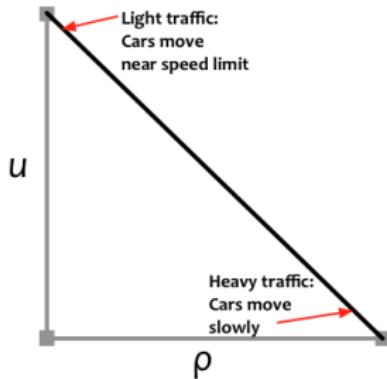
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Generalization of convexity for systems:

Each characteristic field must be **genuinely nonlinear**.

Riemann problem for traffic flow

Initial data of the form

$$q(x, 0) = \begin{cases} q_\ell & \text{if } x < 0 \\ q_r & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$U(q) = u_{\max}(1 - q), \quad f(q) = qU(q), \quad 0 \leq q \leq 1$$

Case 1: $q_\ell < q_r$, so $U(q_\ell) > U(q_r)$, $f'(q_\ell) > f'(q_r)$.

Fast moving cars approaching traffic jam

Expect shock wave.

Case 2: $q_\ell > q_r$, so $U(q_\ell) < U(q_r)$, $f'(q_\ell) < f'(q_r)$.

Slow moving cars can accelerate

Expect rarefaction wave.

Figure 11.2 — Traffic jam shock wave

Cars approaching red light ($q_\ell < 1$, $q_r = 1$)

Shock speed:

$$s = \frac{f(q_r) - f(q_\ell)}{q_r - q_\ell} = \frac{-2u_{\max}q_\ell}{1 - q_\ell} < 0 \quad (\text{for this data, could be } > 0)$$

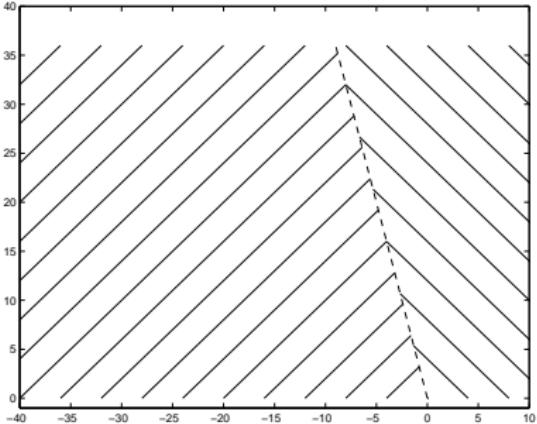
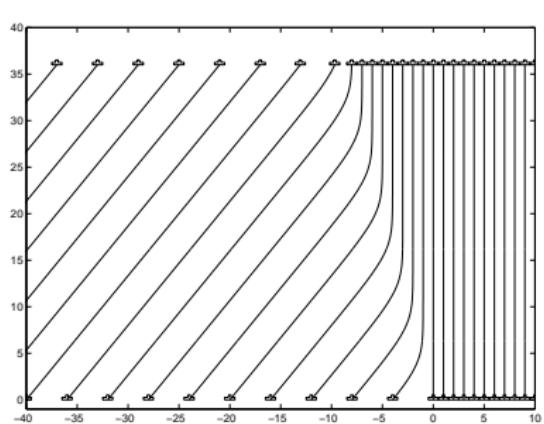
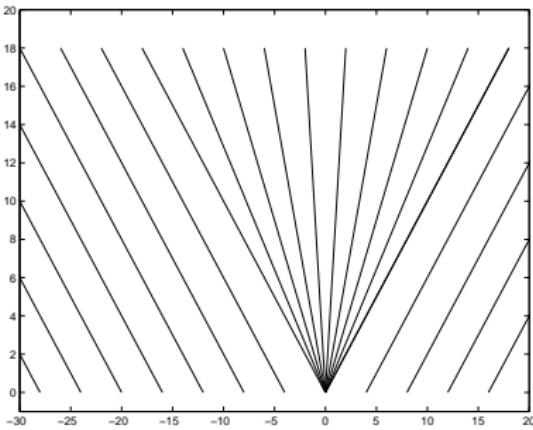
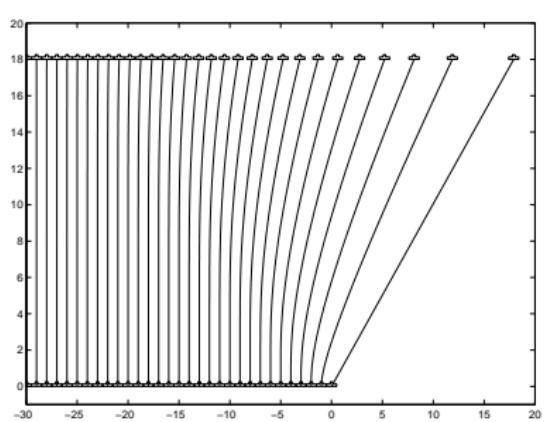


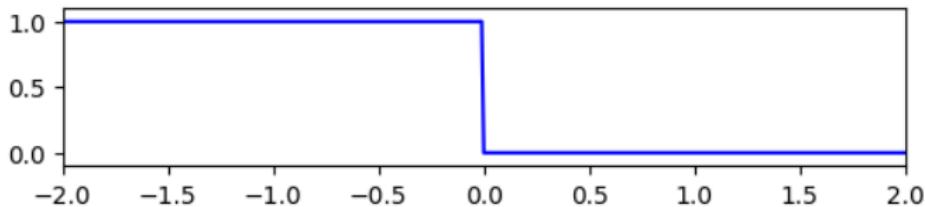
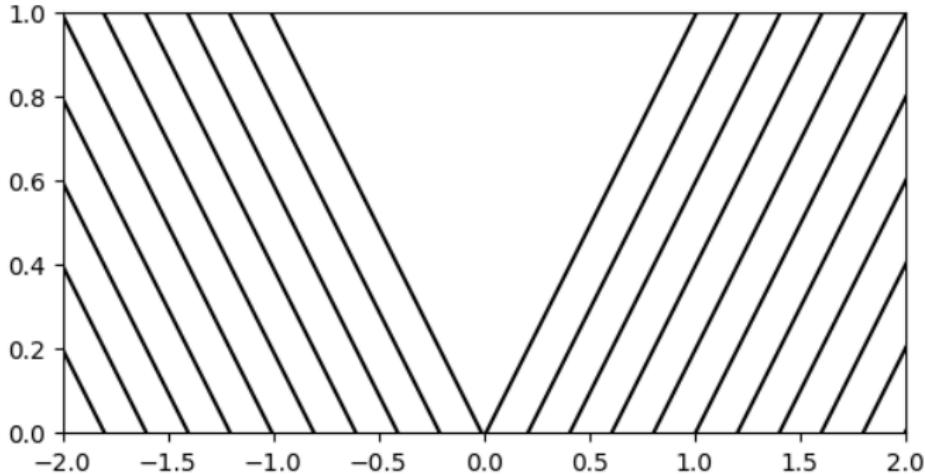
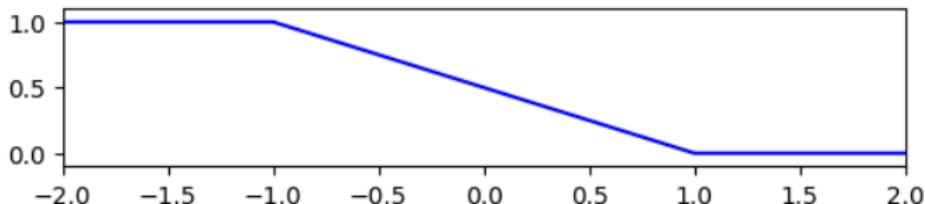
Figure 11.3 — Rarefaction wave

Cars accelerating at green light ($q_\ell = 1$, $q_r = 0$)

Characteristic speed $f'(q) = u_{\max}(1 - 2q)$

varies from $f'(q_\ell) = -u_{\max}$ to $f'(q_r) = u_{\max}$.





Centered rarefaction waves

Similarity solution with piecewise constant initial data:

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solves the Riemann problem for convex f , provided

$$f'(q_\ell) < f'(q_r),$$

so that characteristics spread out as time advances.

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Cancel $(1/t)\tilde{q}'(x/t)$ to get:

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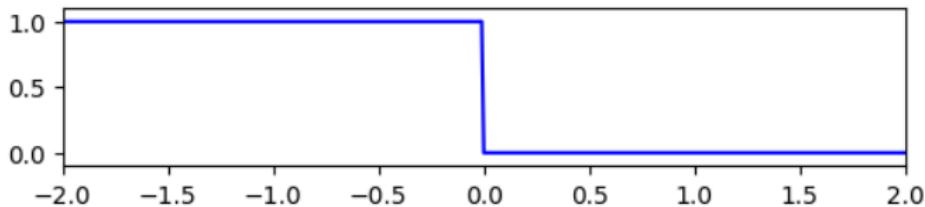
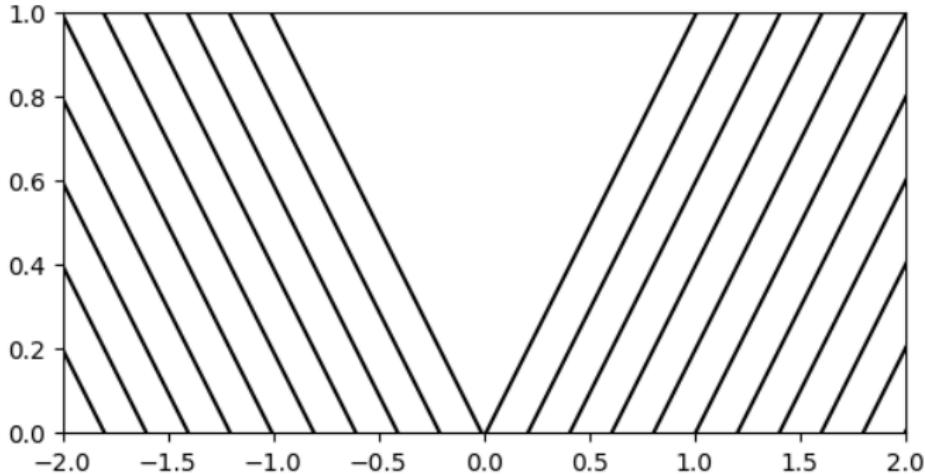
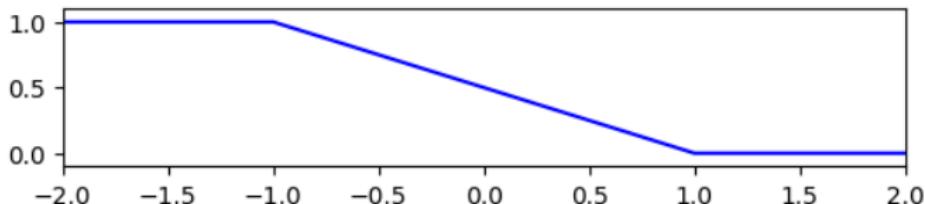
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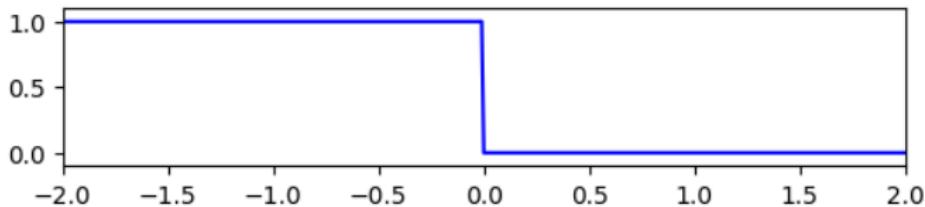
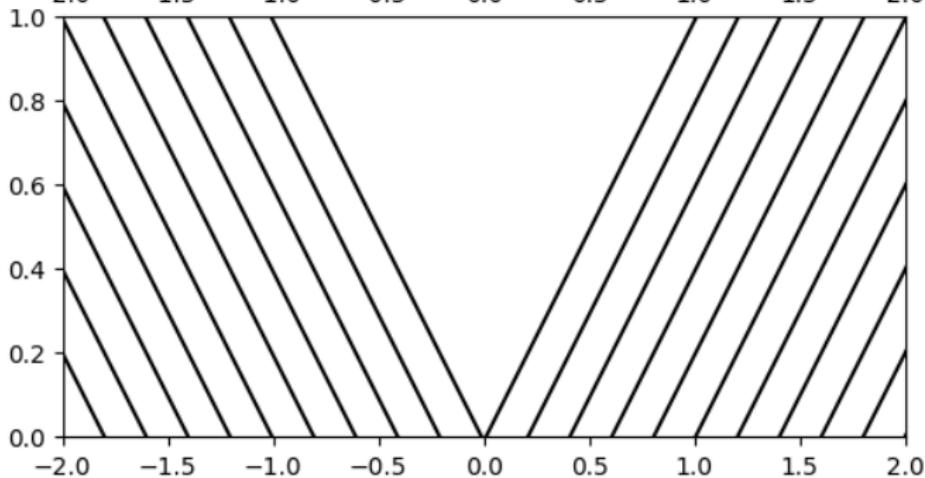
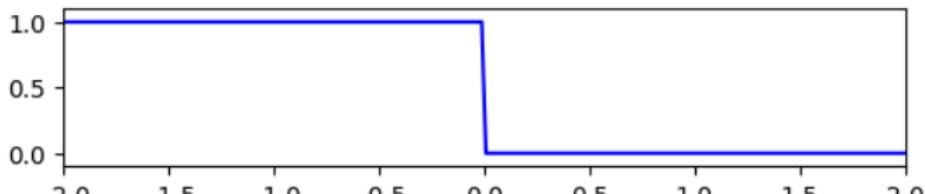
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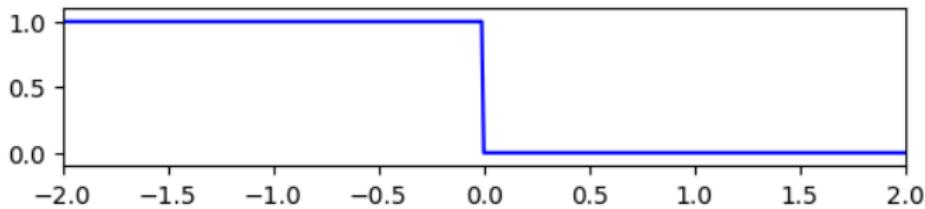
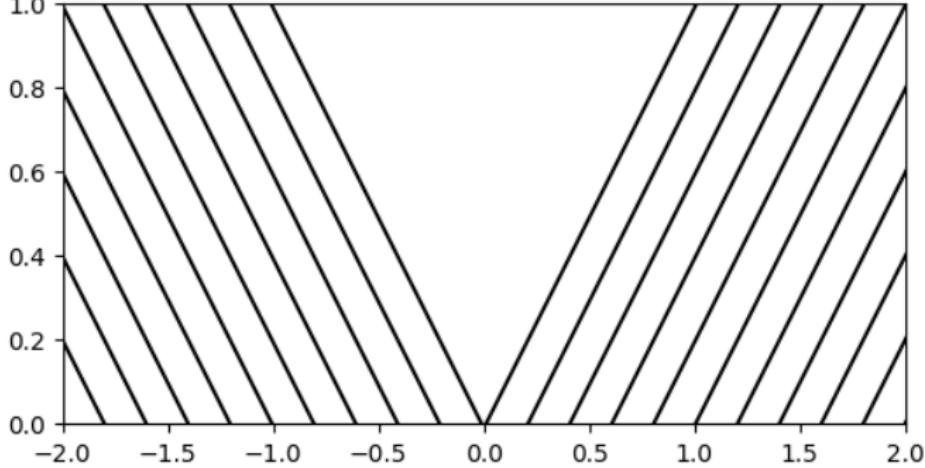
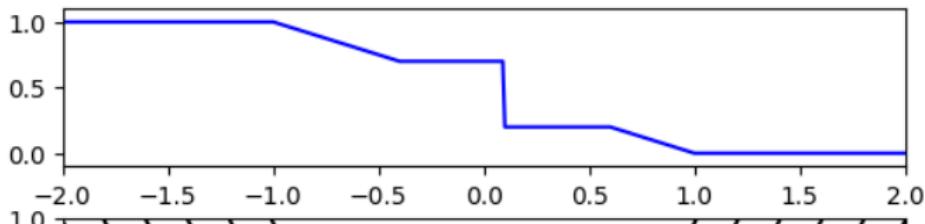
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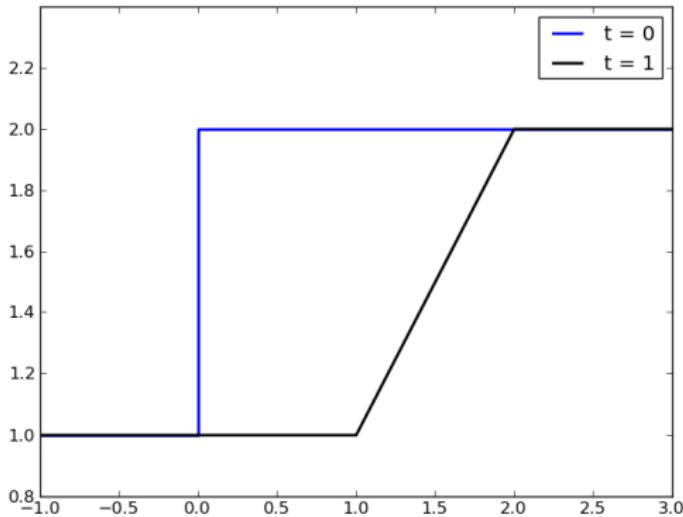


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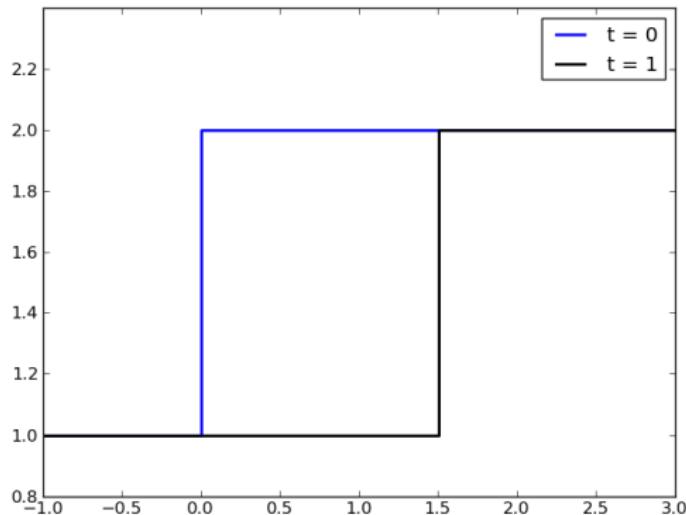


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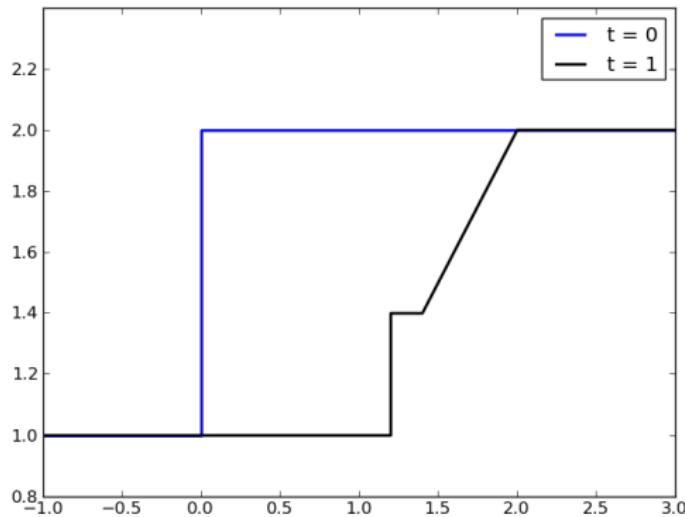


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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Admissible Solutions and Entropy Functions

- Weak solutions and conservation form
- Admissibility / entropy conditions
- Entropy functions
- Weak form of entropy condition
- Relation to vanishing viscosity solution

Weak solutions to $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$

$q(x, t)$ is a **weak solution** if it satisfies the integral form of the conservation law over all rectangles in space-time,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_2) dx - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t_1) dx \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(q(x_1, t)) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(q(x_2, t)) dt \end{aligned}$$

Obtained by integrating

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = f(q(x_1, t)) - f(q(x_2, t))$$

from t_n to t_{n+1} .

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Other **admissibility conditions** needed to pick out the **physically correct** weak solution, e.g.

- Vanishing viscosity limit,
- “Entropy conditions”

Conservation form

The method

$$Q_i^{n+1} = Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (F_{i+1/2}^n - F_{i-1/2}^n)$$

is in **conservation form**.

The total mass is conserved up to fluxes at the boundaries:

$$\Delta x \sum_i Q_i^{n+1} = \Delta x \sum_i Q_i^n - \Delta t (F_{+\infty} - F_{-\infty}).$$

Note: an isolated shock must travel at the right speed!

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q(x, t) dx = F(x_1) - F(x_2).$$

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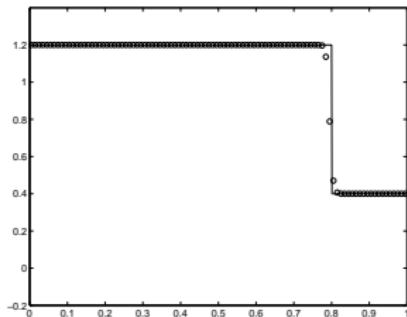
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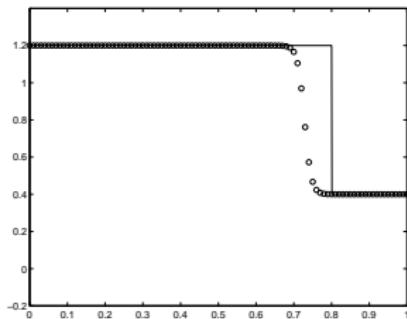
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Importance of conservation form

Solution to Burgers' equation using conservative upwind:



Solution to Burgers' equation using quasilinear upwind:



Weak solutions depend on the conservation law

The conservation laws

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

and

$$(u^2)_t + \left(\frac{2}{3} u^3 \right)_x = 0$$

both have the same quasilinear form

$$u_t + uu_x = 0$$

but have different weak solutions,

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Weak solutions depend on the conservation law

$$u_t + \left(\frac{1}{2} u^2 \right)_x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad s = \frac{1}{2} \frac{u_r^2 - u_\ell^2}{u_r - u_\ell} = \frac{1}{2} (u_\ell + u_r).$$

whereas

$$(u^2)_t + \left(\frac{2}{3} u^3 \right)_x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad s = \frac{2}{3} \frac{u_r^3 - u_\ell^3}{u_r^2 - u_\ell^2}.$$

Speeds are different in general \Rightarrow different weak solutions.

Lax-Wendroff Theorem

Suppose the method is conservative and consistent with
 $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$,

$$F_{i-1/2} = \mathcal{F}(Q_{i-1}, Q_i) \quad \text{with } \mathcal{F}(\bar{q}, \bar{q}) = f(\bar{q})$$

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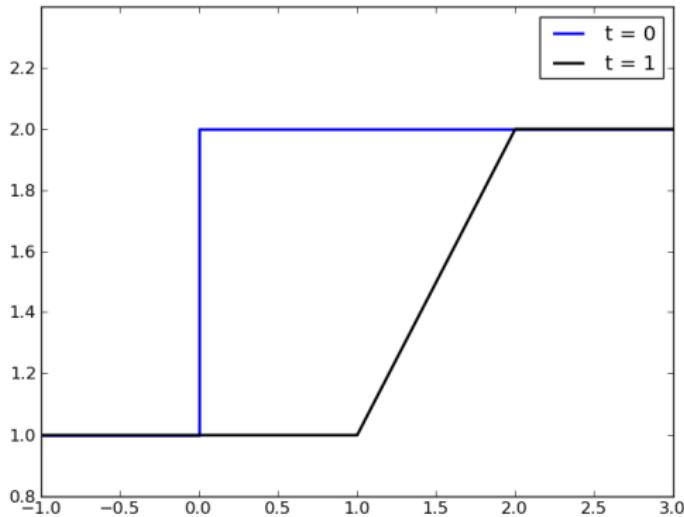
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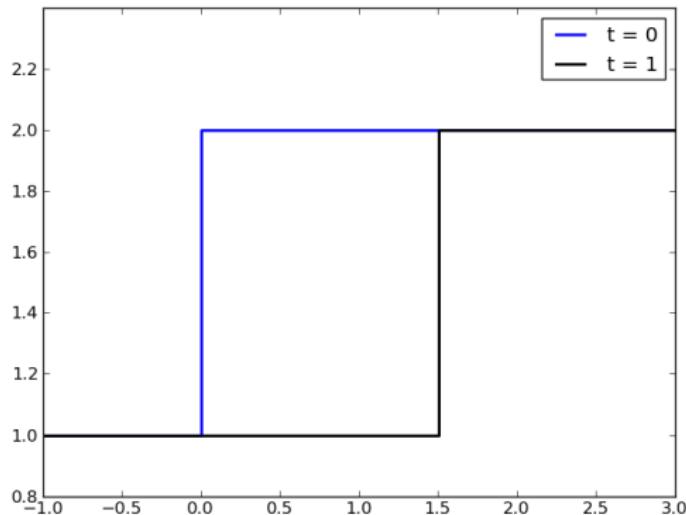


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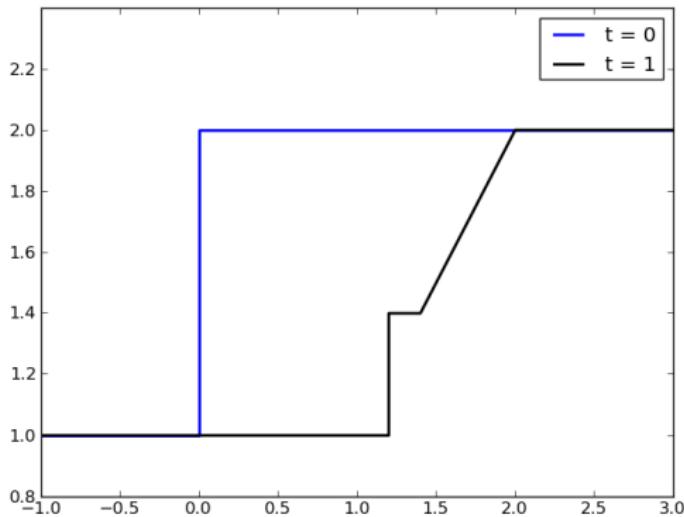


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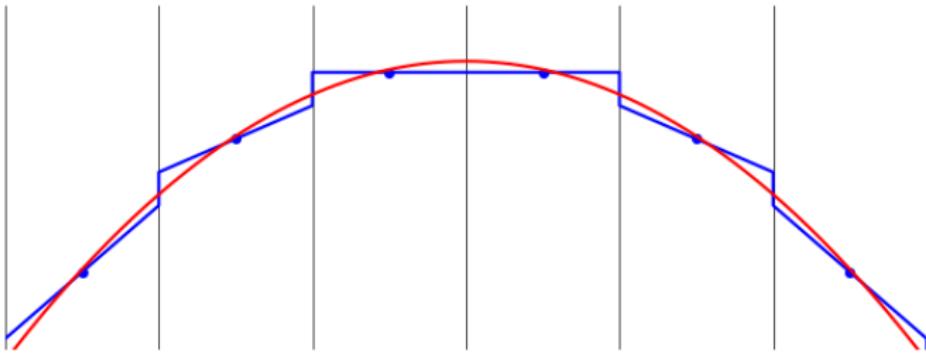
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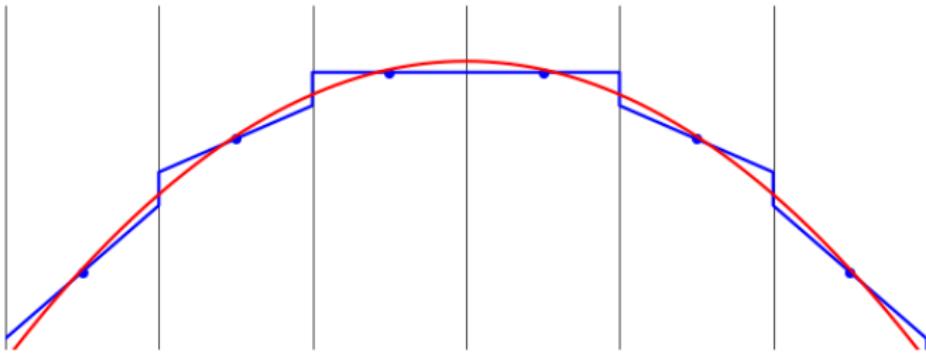
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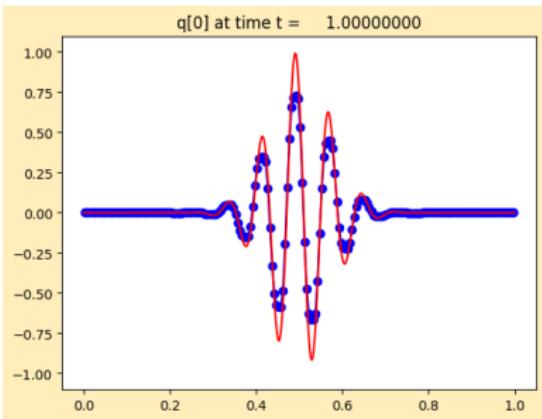
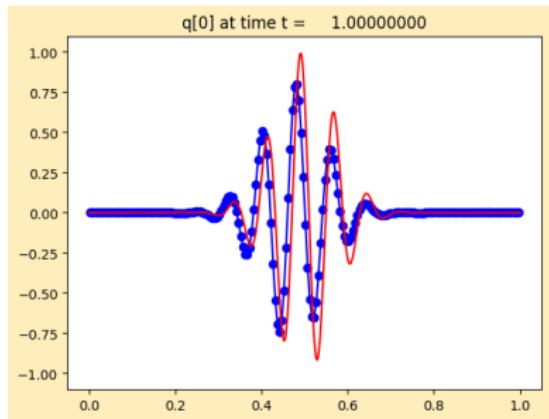
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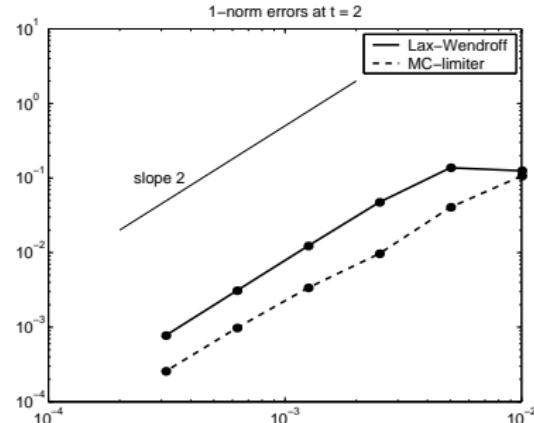
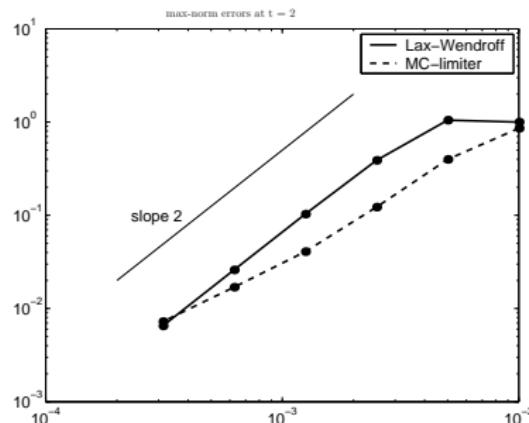
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General information and links to book, Github, Binder, etc.:

bookstore.siam.org/fa16/bonus

View static version of notebooks at:

www.clawpack.org/riemann_book/html/Index.html

Shallow water equations

$h(x, t)$ = depth

$u(x, t)$ = velocity (**depth averaged**, varies only with x)

Conservation of mass and momentum hu gives system of two equations.

mass flux = hu ,

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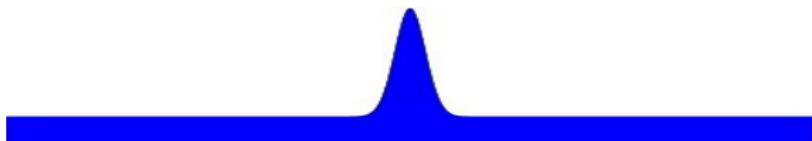
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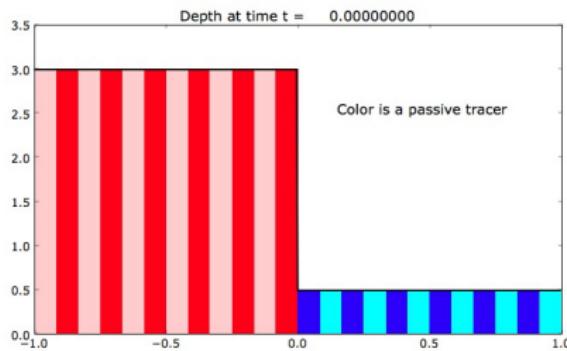
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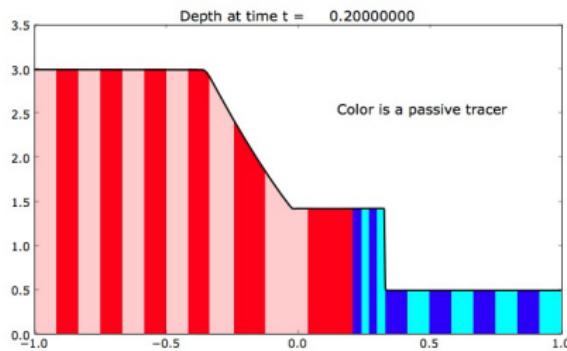


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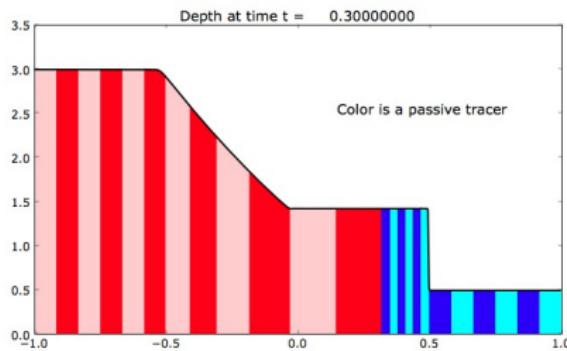


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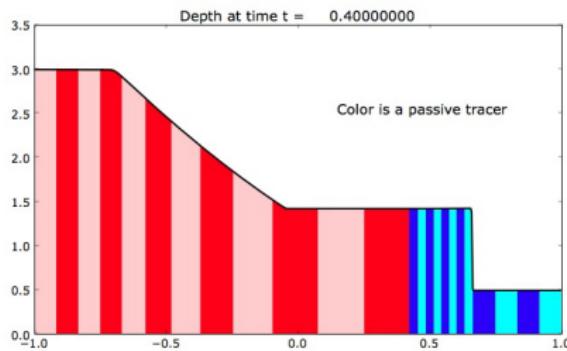


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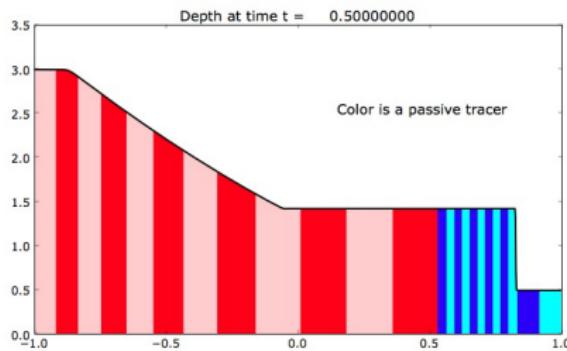


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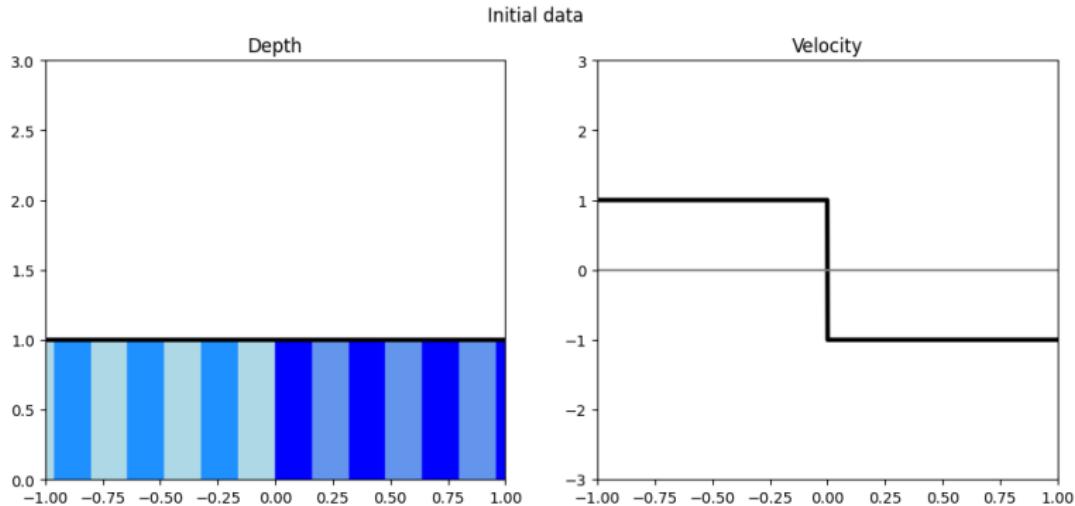
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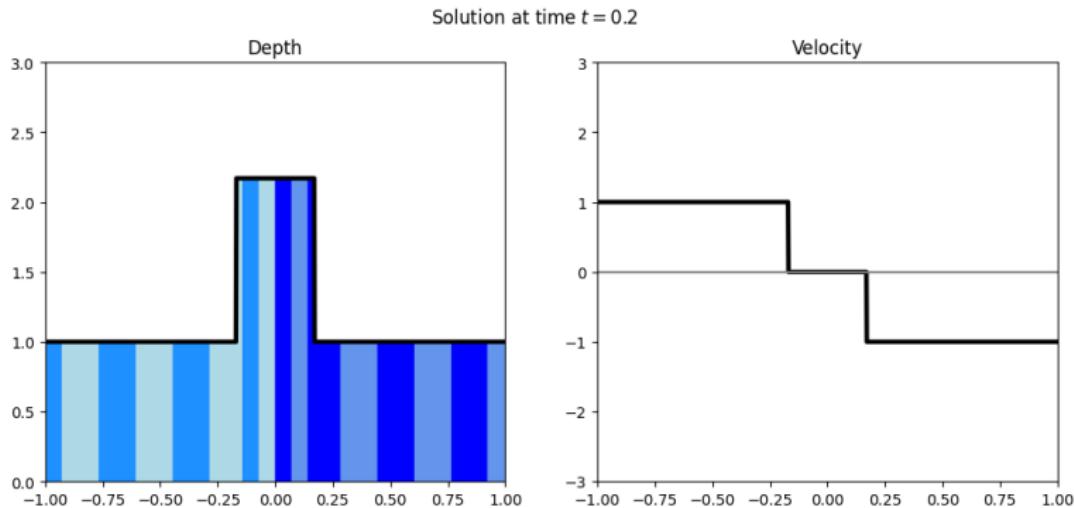
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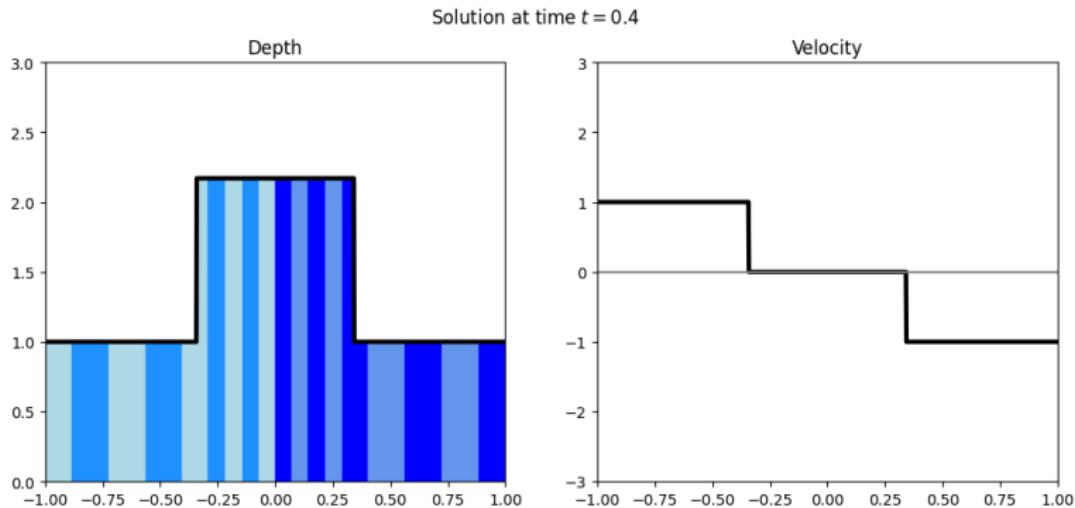
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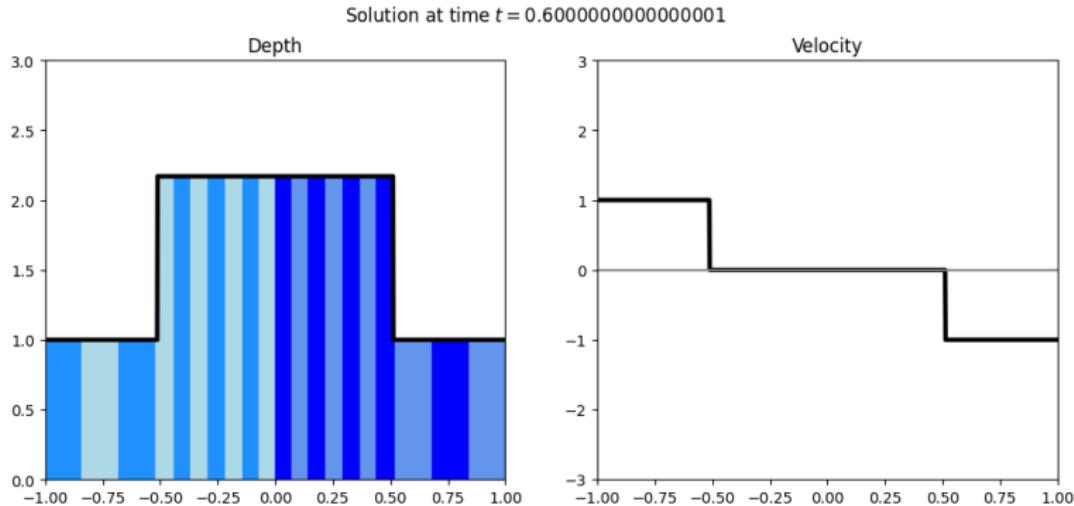
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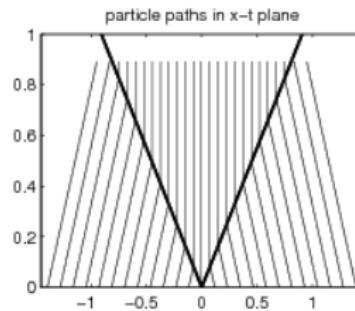
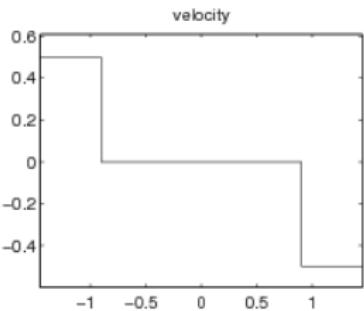
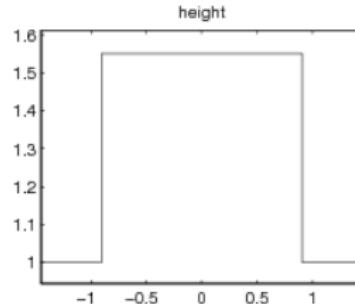
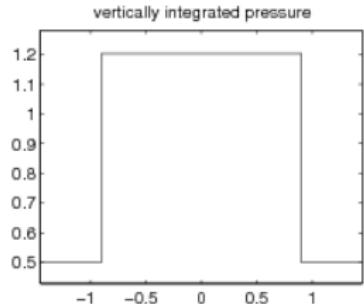
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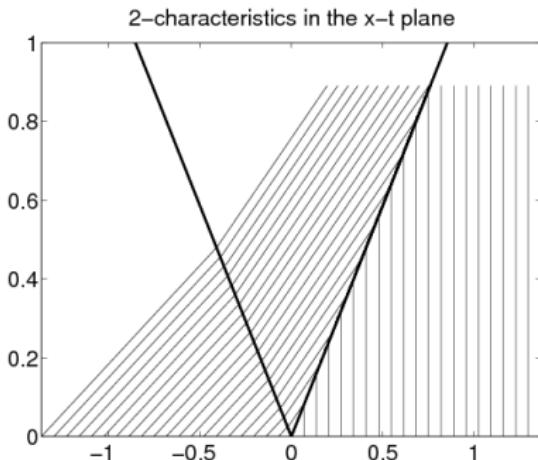
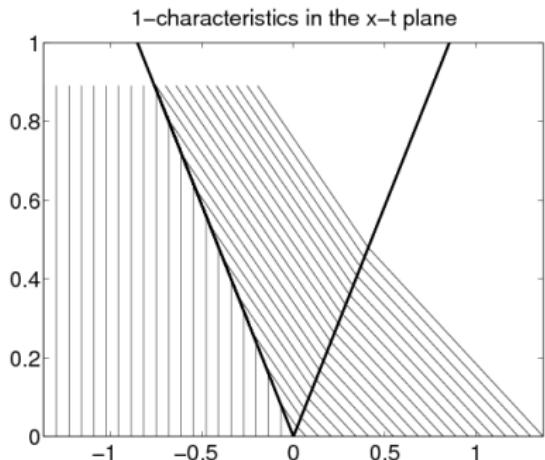
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Hugoniot loci for shallow water

$$q = \begin{bmatrix} h \\ hu \end{bmatrix}, \quad f(q) = \begin{bmatrix} hu \\ hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Fix $q_* = (h_*, u_*)$.

What states q can be connected to q_* by an isolated shock?

The Rankine-Hugoniot condition $s(q - q_*) = f(q) - f(q_*)$ gives:

$$s(h_* - h) = h_*u_* - hu,$$

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Two equations with 3 unknowns (h, u, s) , so we expect 1-parameter families of solutions.

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$$u(h) = u_* \pm \sqrt{\frac{g}{2} \left(\frac{h_*}{h} - \frac{h}{h_*} \right) (h_* - h)}$$

$$s(h) = (h_* u_* - hu)/(h_* - h).$$

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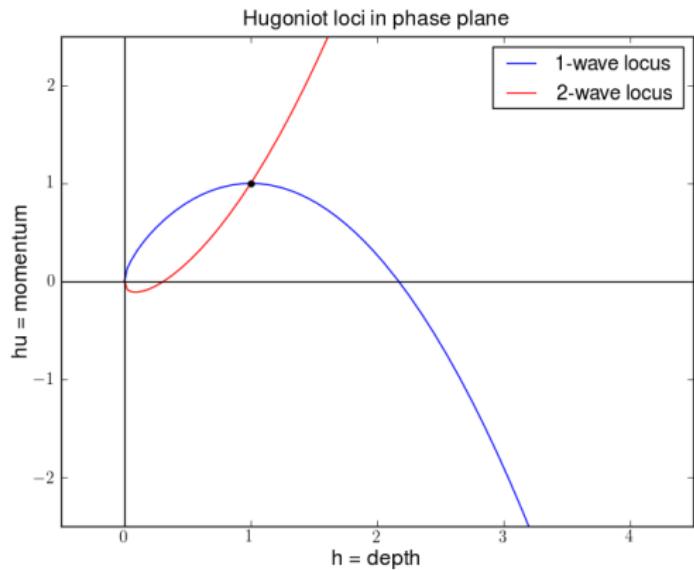
Hence we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} h \\ hu \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_* \\ h_* u_* \end{bmatrix} + \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ u_* \pm \sqrt{gh_* + \mathcal{O}(\alpha)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{as } \alpha \rightarrow 0.$$

Close to q_* the curves are tangent to eigenvectors of $f'(q_*)$
Expected since $f(q) - f(q_*) \approx f'(q_*)(q - q_*)$.

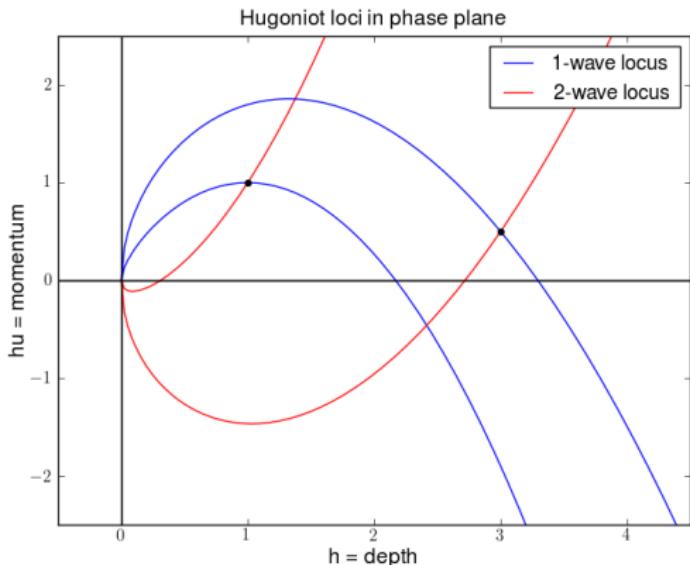
Hugoniot loci for one particular q_*

States that can be connected to q_* by a “shock”



Note: Might not satisfy entropy condition.

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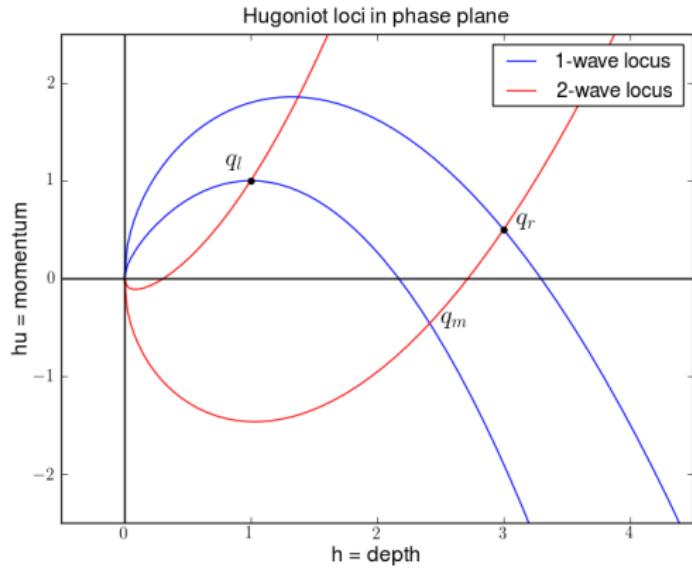


“All-shock” Riemann solution:

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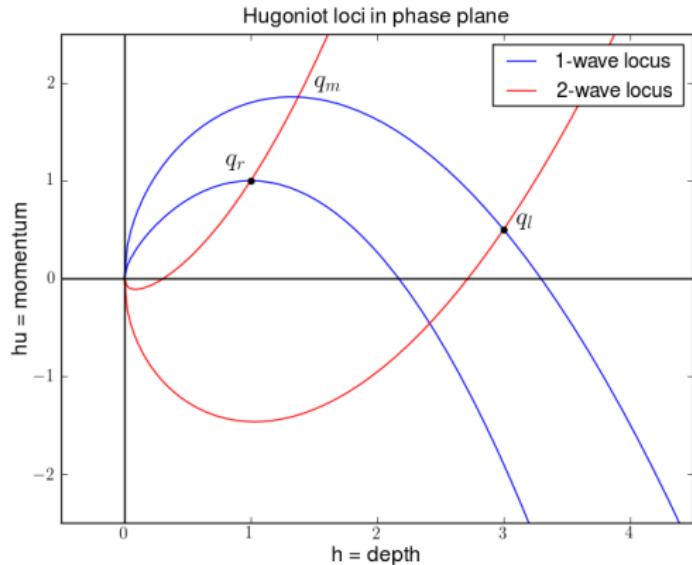
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Given arbitrary states q_l and q_r , we can solve the Riemann problem with two shocks.

Choose q_m so that q_m is on the 1-Hugoniot locus of q_l and also q_m is on the 2-Hugoniot locus of q_r .

This requires

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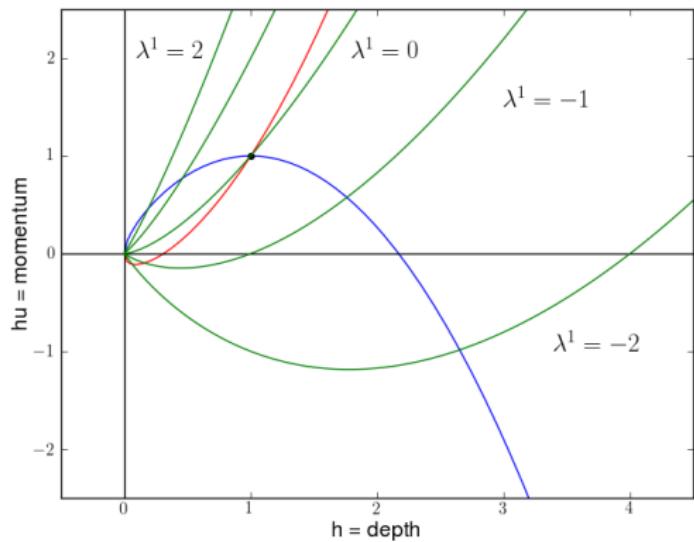
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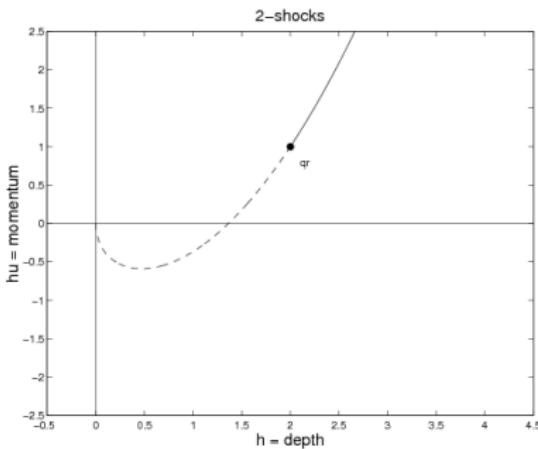
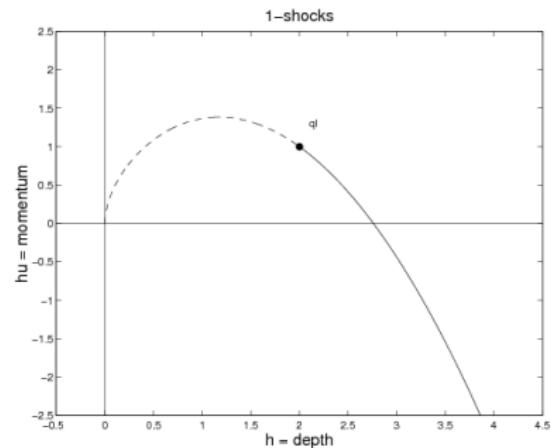
Green curves are contours of $\lambda^1 = u - \sqrt{gh}$



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Hugoniot locus for shallow water

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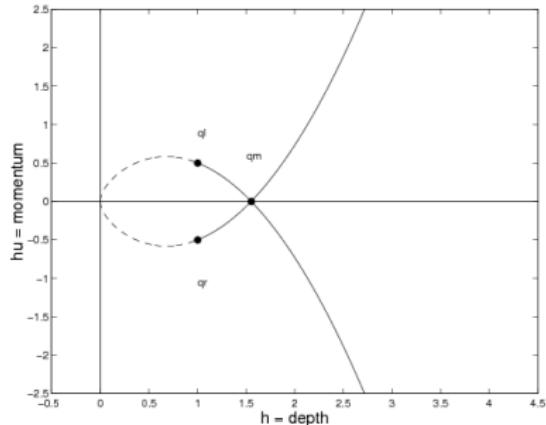


Solid portion: states that can be connected by shock satisfying entropy condition.

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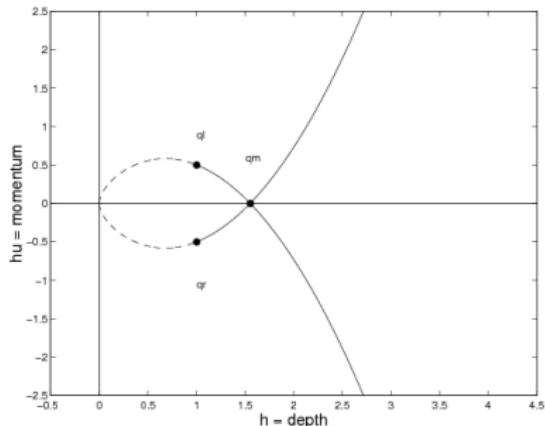
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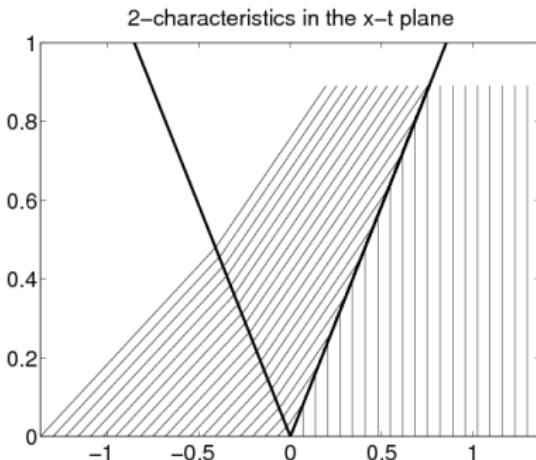
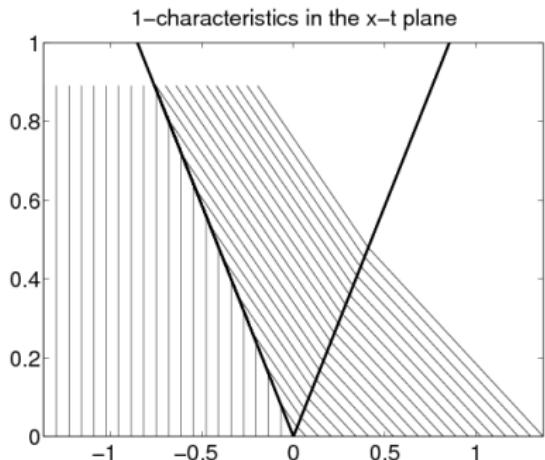
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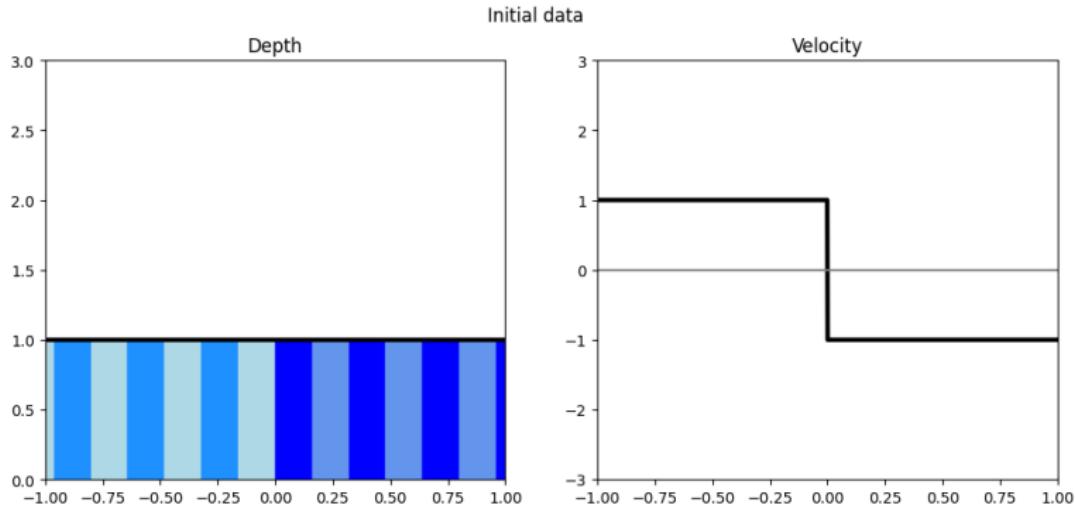
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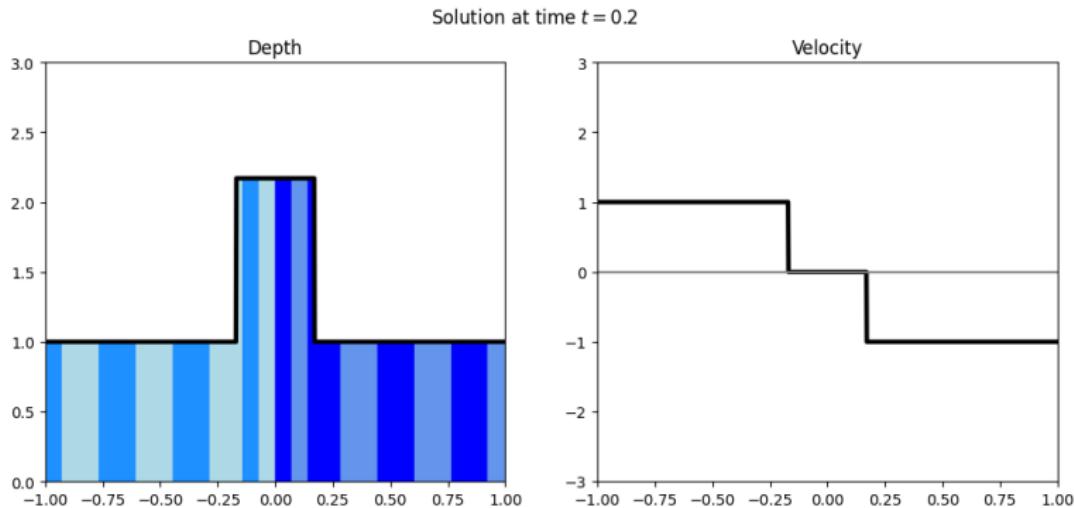
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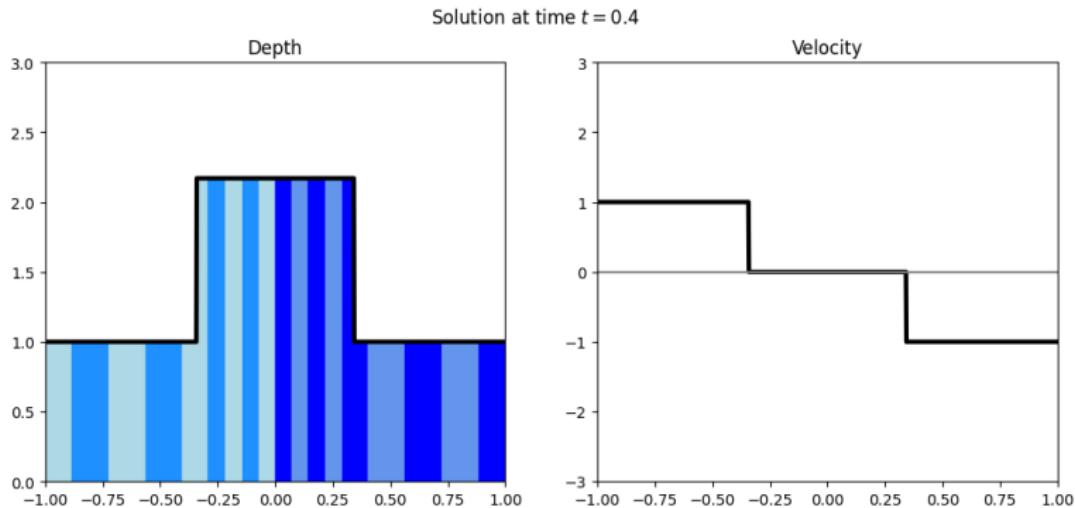
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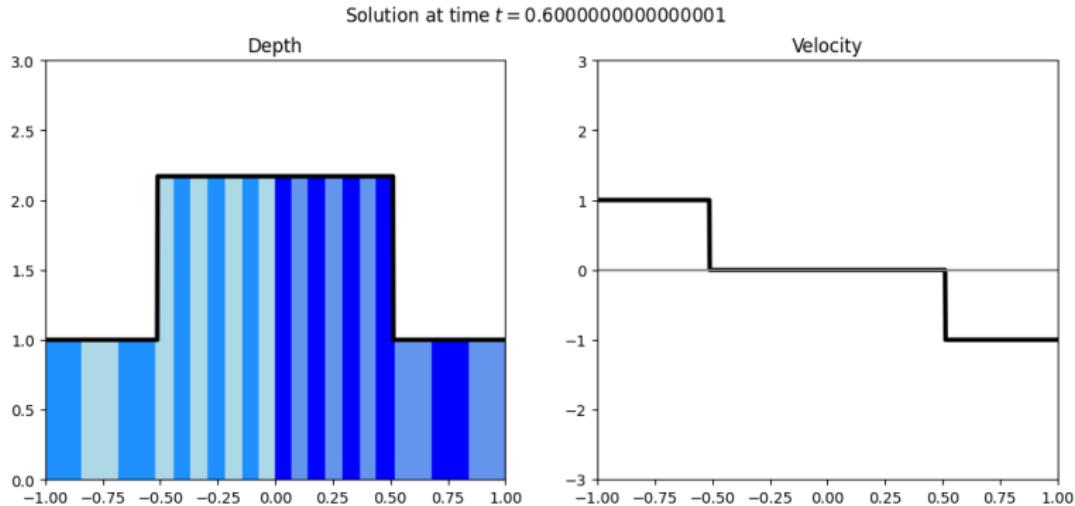
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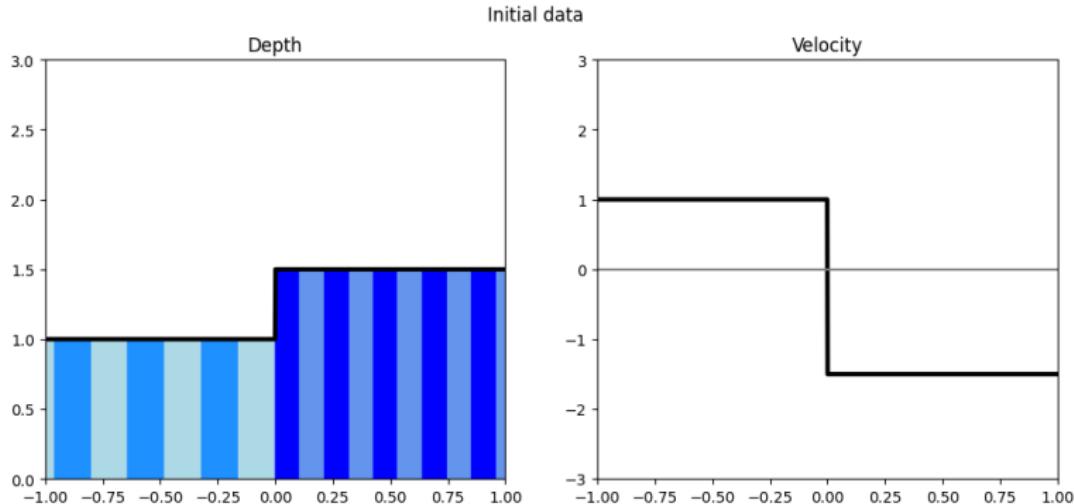
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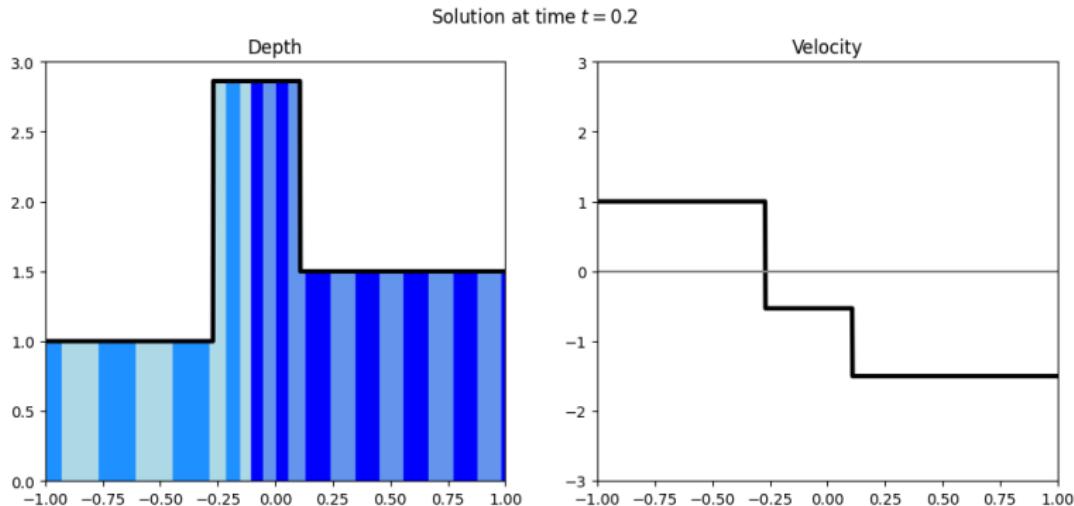
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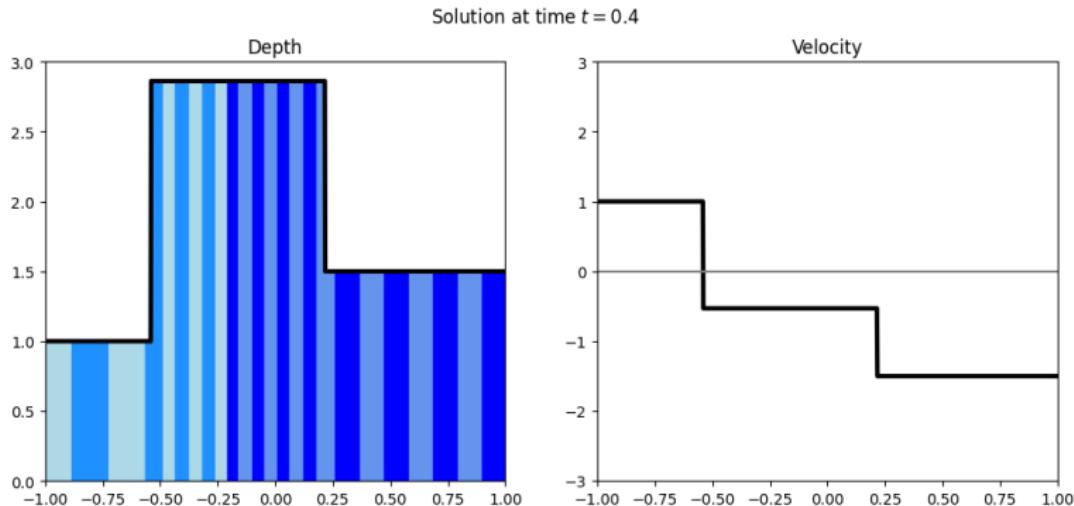
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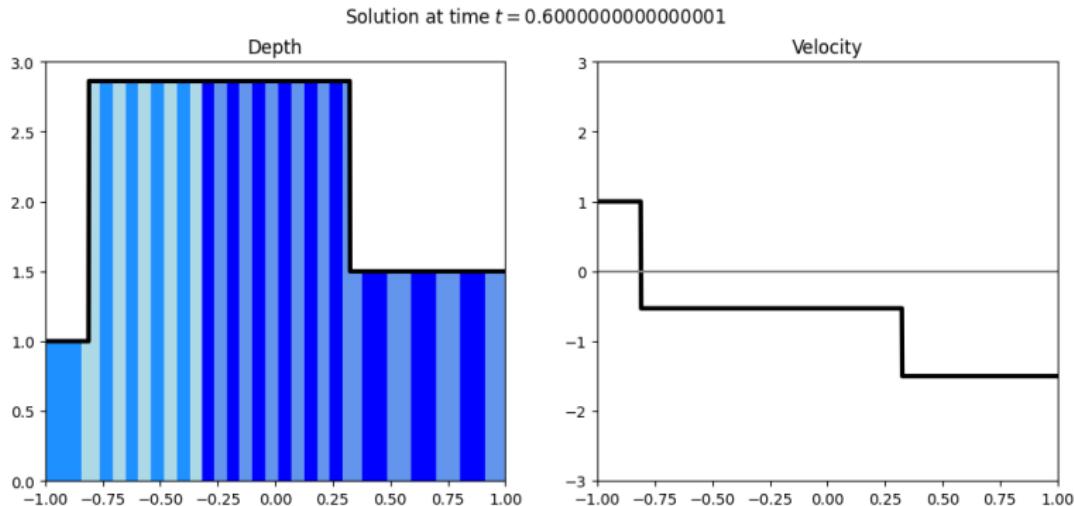
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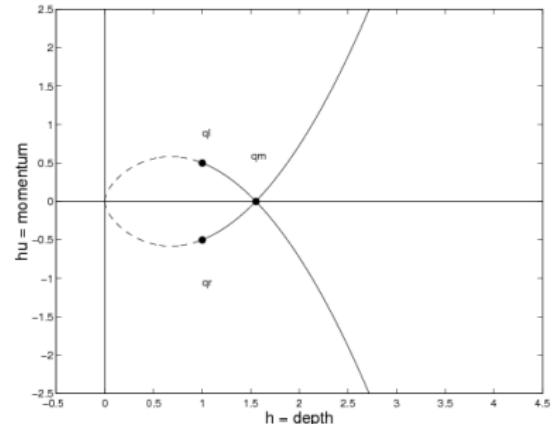
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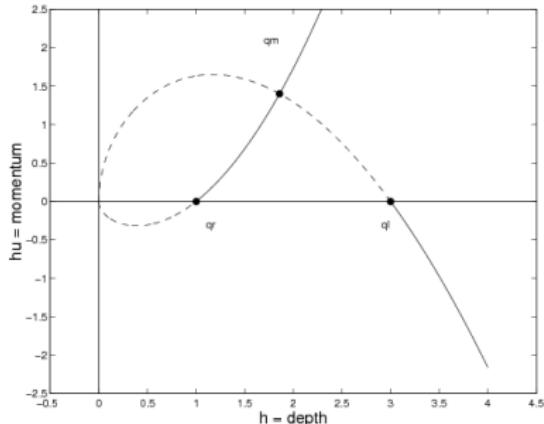


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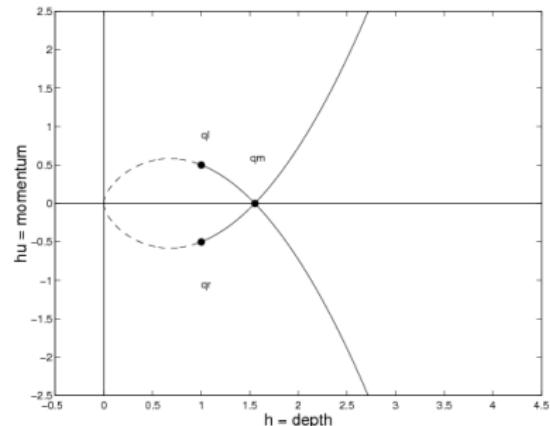


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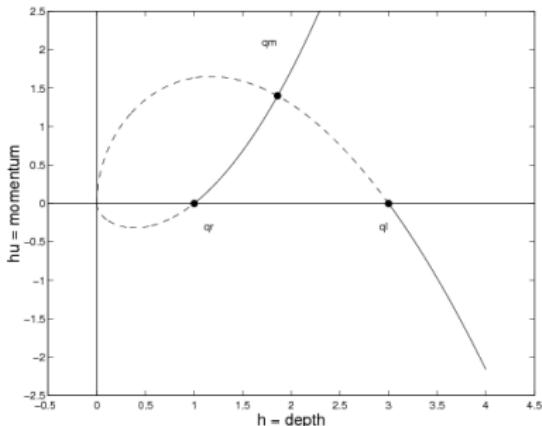


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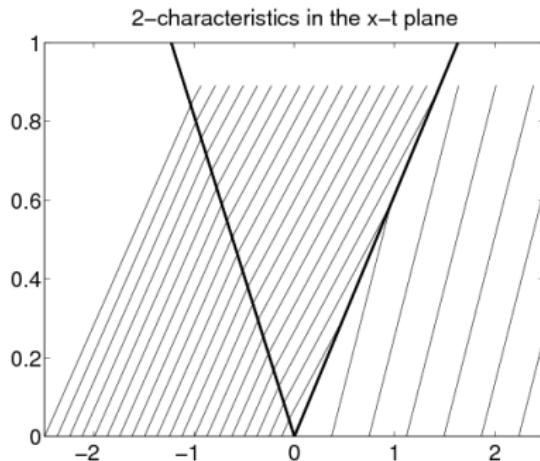
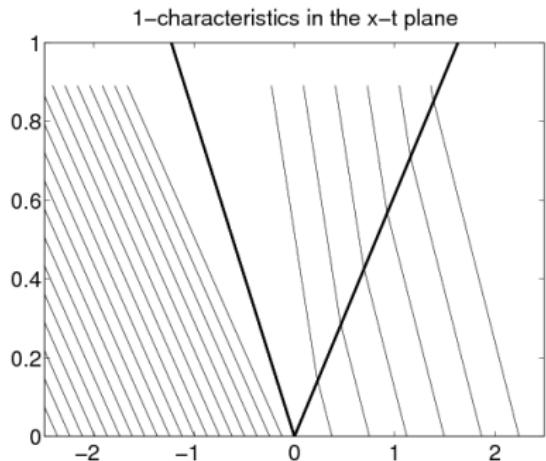
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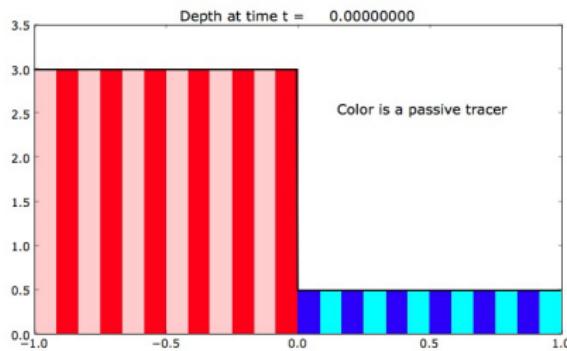
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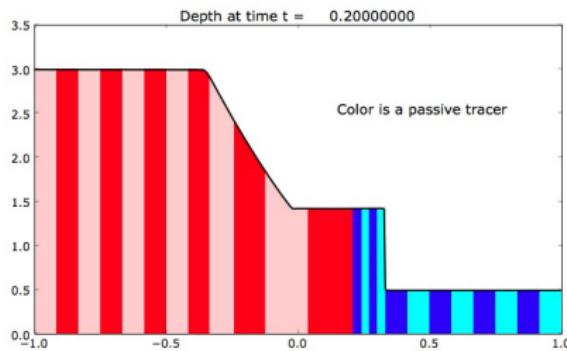


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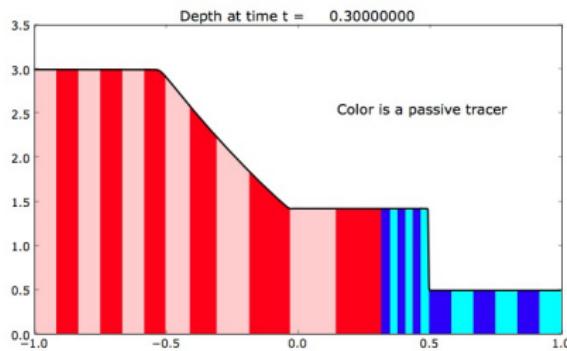


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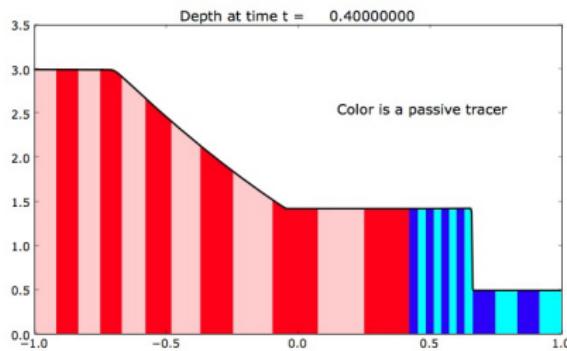


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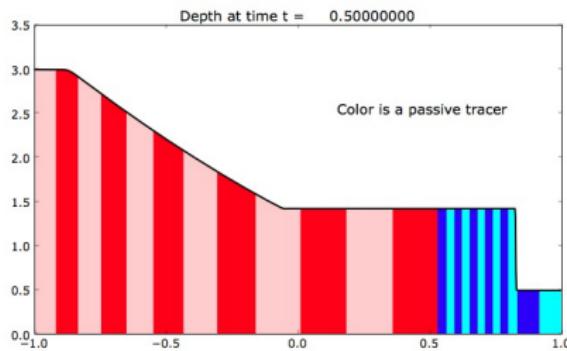


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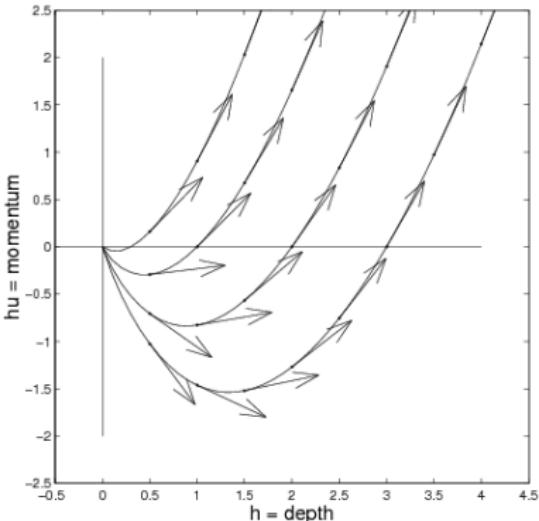
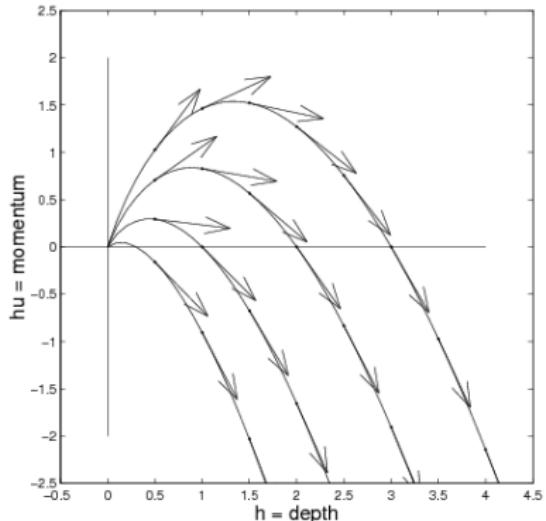
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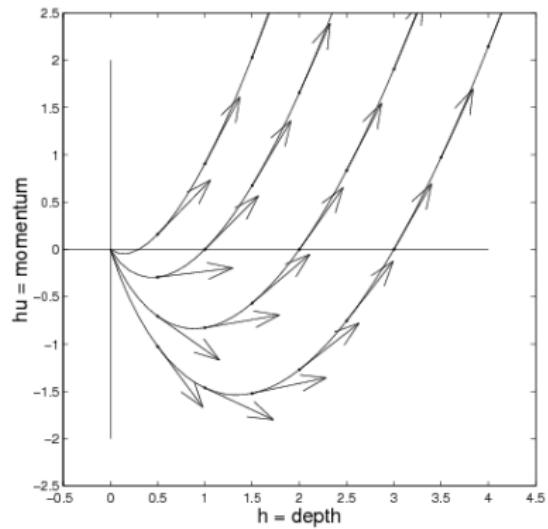
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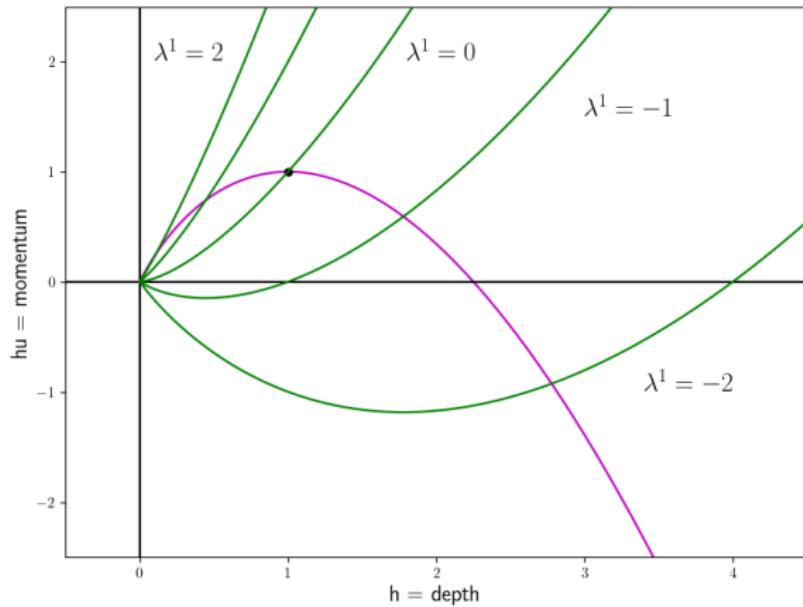
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Integral curve for one particular q_*

Green curves are contours of $\lambda^1 = u - \sqrt{gh}$



Note: Increases monotonically in one direction along integral curve.

Shallow water equations

$$h_t + (hu)_x = 0 \implies h_t + \mu_x = 0$$

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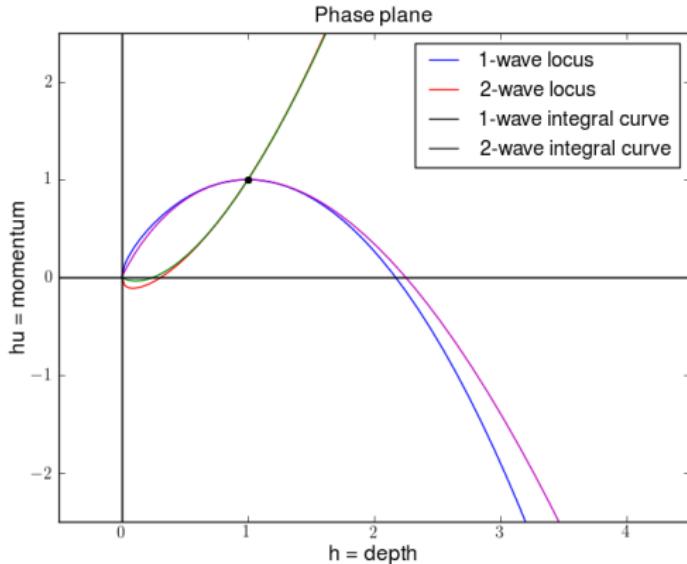
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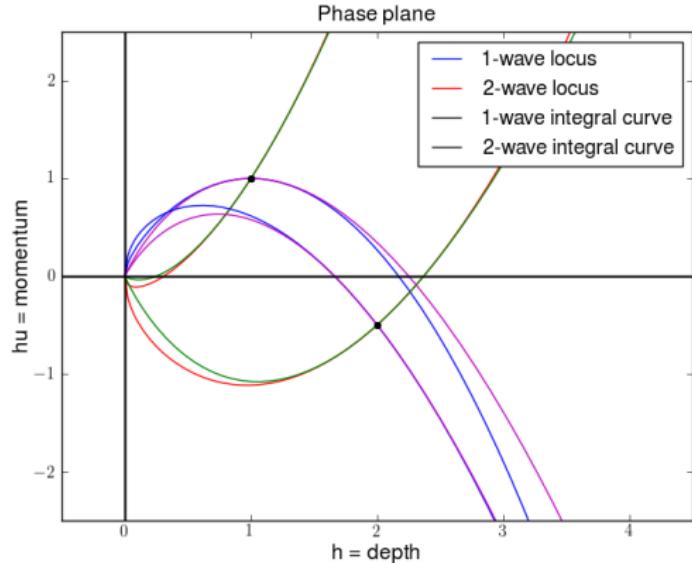
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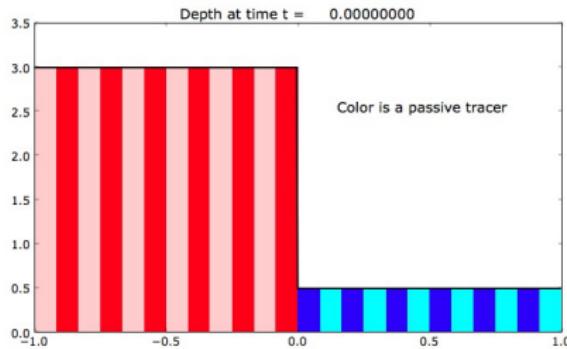
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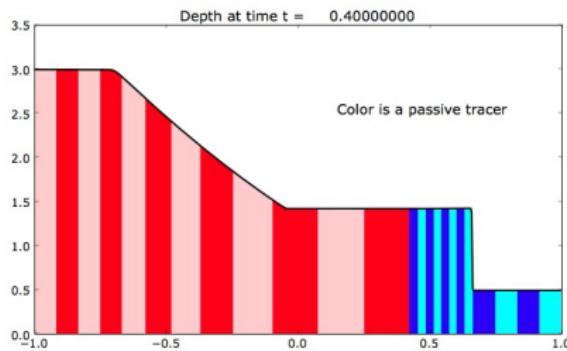


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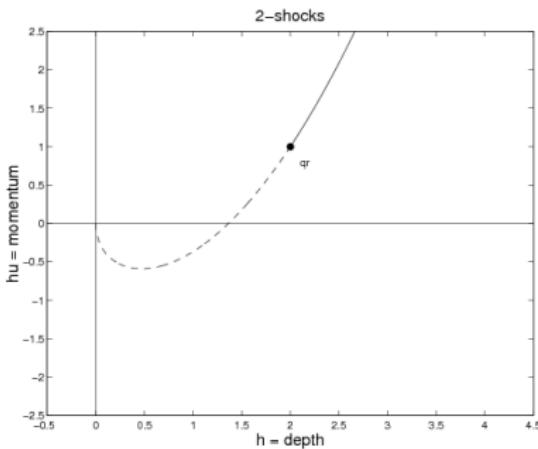
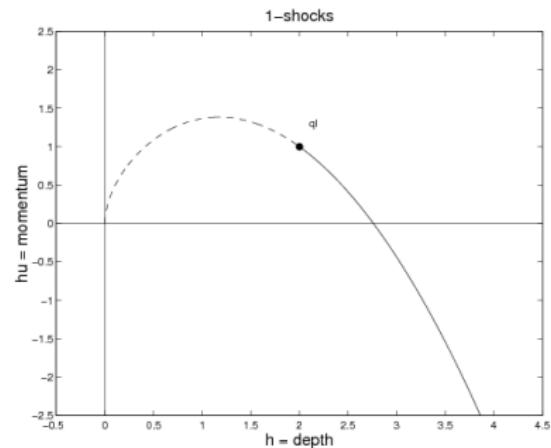
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Hugoniot locus for shallow water

States that can be connected to the given state by a 1-wave or 2-wave satisfying the R-H conditions:



Solid portion: states that can be connected by shock satisfying entropy condition.

Dashed portion: states that can be connected with R-H condition satisfied but **not** the physically correct solution.

Solving the general Riemann problem

For general data q_ℓ, q_r , the shallow water Riemann solution could have a shock or rarefaction in each family.

Use the fact that across a shock we always expect deeper water “behind” the shock to define 1-wave curve through q_ℓ :

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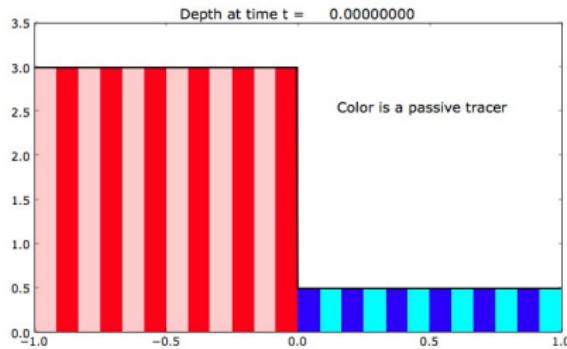
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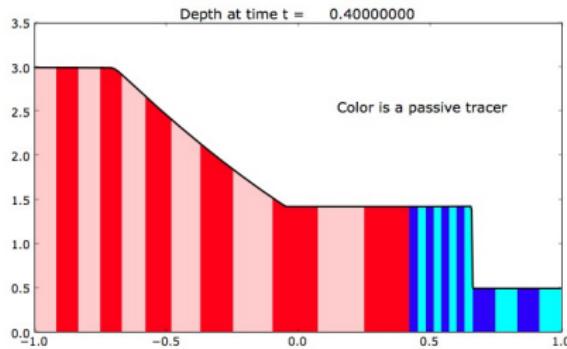


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(Fields 1 and 3 are genuinely nonlinear.)

Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

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Riemann Problems and Jupyter Solutions

Theory and Approximate Solvers for Hyperbolic PDEs

David I. Ketcheson, RJL, and Mauricio del Razo

General information and links to book, Github, Binder, etc.:
bookstore.siam.org/fa16/bonus

View static version of notebooks at:

www.clawpack.org/riemann_book/html/Index.html

In particular see: [Euler.ipynb](#)

Compressible gas dynamics

Conservation laws:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_t + (\rho u)_x &= 0 \\ (\rho u)_t + (\rho u^2 + p)_x &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Equation of state:

$$p = P(\rho).$$

Same as shallow water if $P(\rho) = \frac{1}{2}g\rho^2$ (with $\rho \equiv h$).

Isothermal: $P(\rho) = a^2\rho$ (since T proportional to p/ρ).

Isentropic: $P(\rho) = \hat{\kappa}\rho^\gamma$ ($\gamma \approx 1.4$ for air)

Jacobian matrix:

$$f'(q) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ P'(\rho) - u^2 & 2u \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda = u \pm \sqrt{P'(\rho)}.$$

Gas dynamics variables

ρ = density

\vec{u} = velocity (just u in 1D, $[u, v]$ in 2D, $[u, v, w]$ in 3D)

$h\vec{u}$ = momentum

p = pressure

e = internal energy (vibration, heat) = $\frac{p}{(\gamma-1)\rho}$ for polytropic

$\frac{1}{2}\rho\|\vec{u}\|_2^2$ = kinetic energy

E = total energy

c_p, c_v = specific heat at constant pressure or volume

T = temperature = $e/c_v = \frac{p}{c_v(\gamma-1)\rho}$ for polytropic

$\gamma = c_p/c_v$ = adiabatic exponent for polytropic, $1 < \gamma \leq 5/3$

$h = e + p/\rho$ = specific enthalpy

$H = \frac{E+p}{\rho} = h + \frac{1}{2}u^2$ = total specific enthalpy

$s = c_v \log(p/\rho^\gamma) + \text{const}$ = specific entropy for polytropic

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Euler equations in primitive variables

Can rewrite the conservation laws in quasilinear form:

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Euler in conservation form

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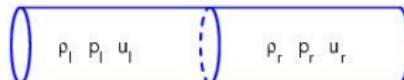
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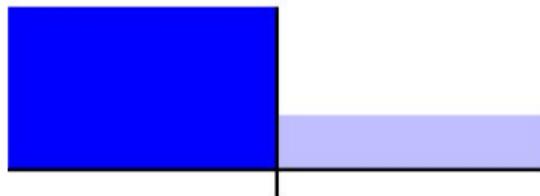
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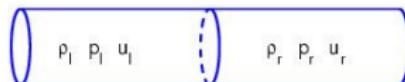
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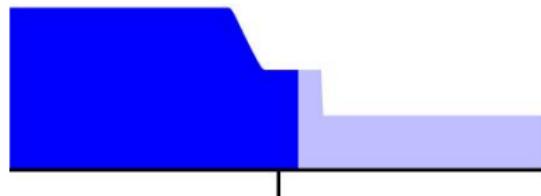
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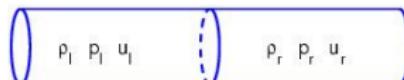
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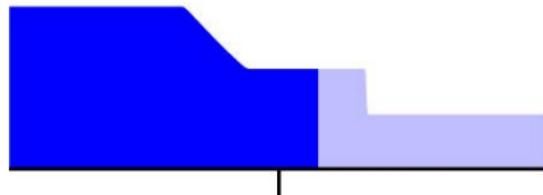
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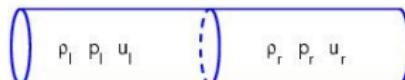
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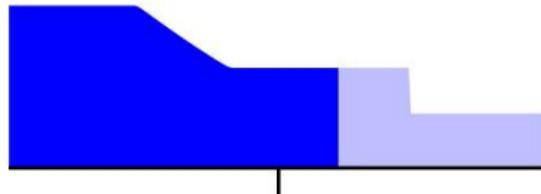
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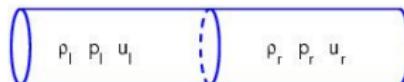
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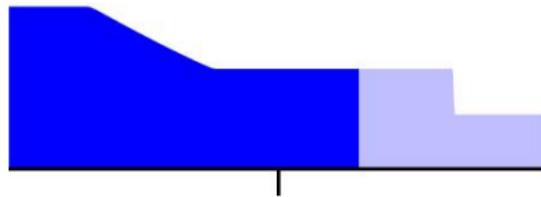
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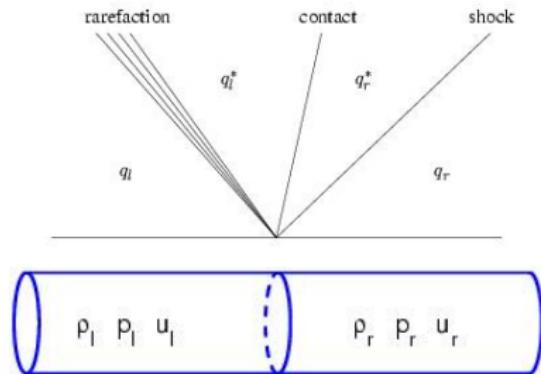
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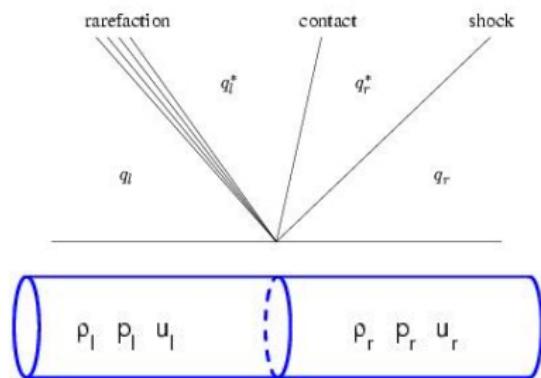
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High-resolution wave-propagation methods

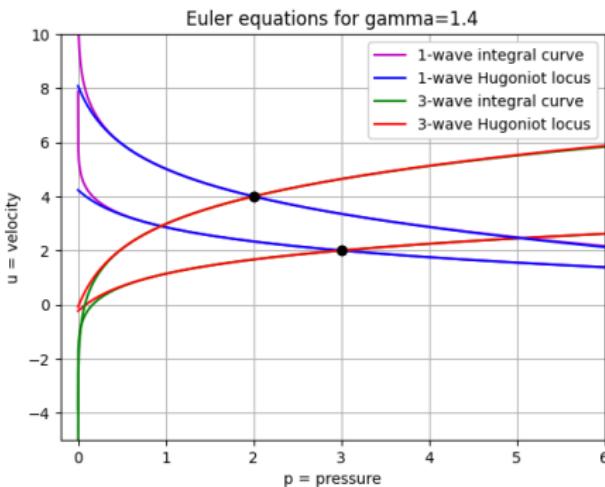
Approximate Riemann solvers

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Any jump in ρ is allowed across contact discontinuity

General Riemann solver:

- Project 3D phase space to $p-u$ plane,
Hugoniot loci and integral curves can be written as
 $u = \phi(p)$, (and $\rho = \rho(p)$)
- Find intersection
 (p^*, u^*) ,
- Compute ρ_ℓ^* and ρ_r^* .



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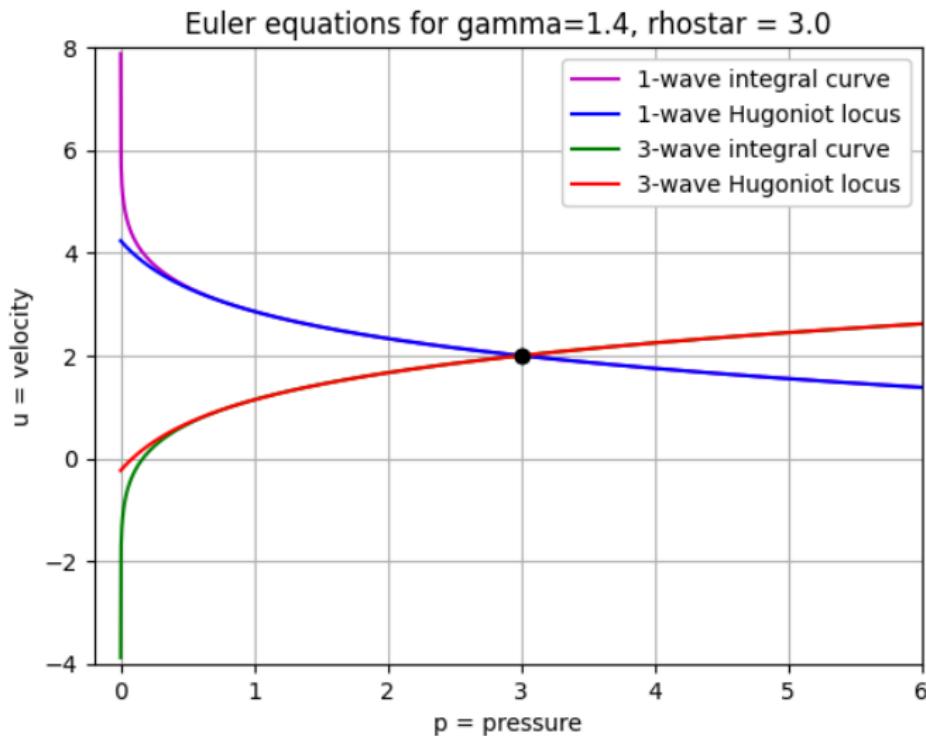
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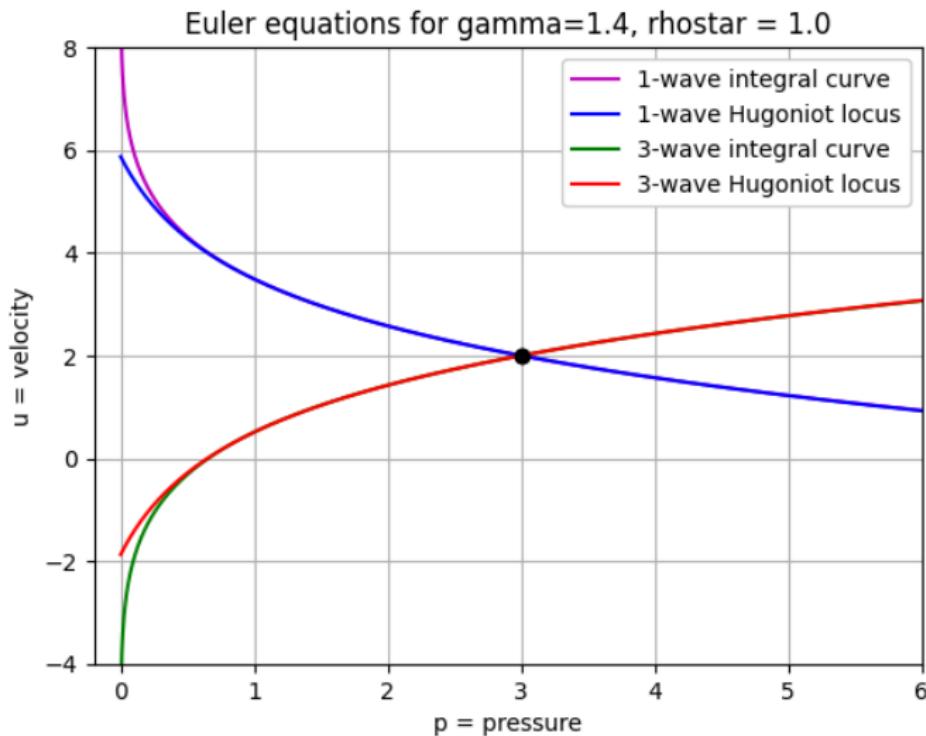
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Euler equations phase plane



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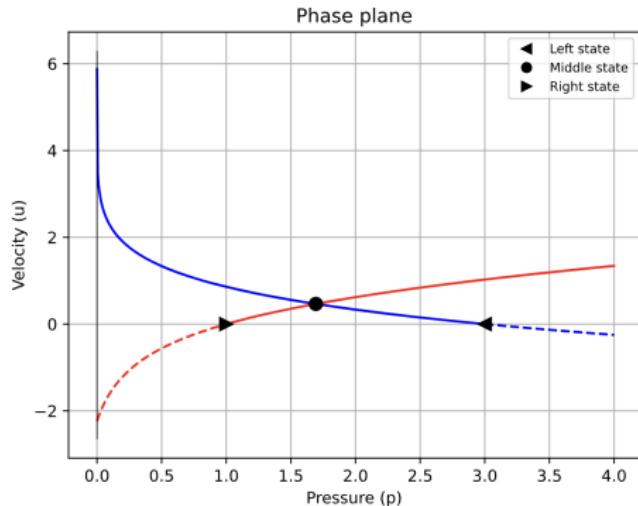


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In [71]: left_state = State(Density = 3., Velocity = 0., Pressure = 3.)
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euler.phase_plane_plot(left_state, right_state)
grid(True)
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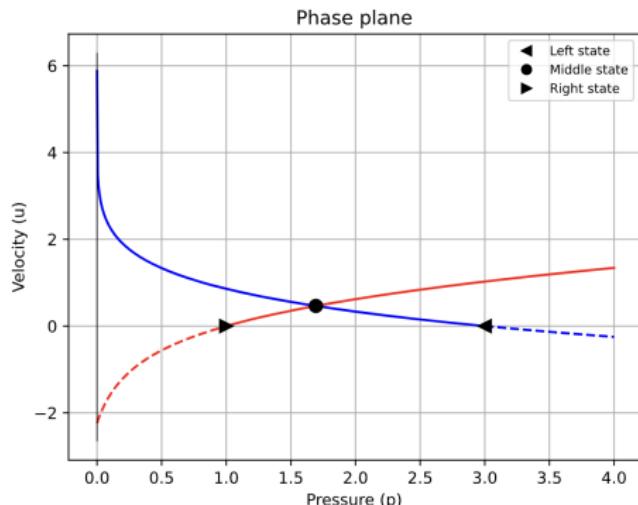


blue = integral curve, red = Hugoniot locus, dashed = nonphysical

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In [71]: left_state = State(Density = 3., Velocity = 0., Pressure = 3.)
right_state = State(Density = 1., Velocity = 0., Pressure = 1.)

euler.phase_plane_plot(left_state, right_state)
grid(True)
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Solve $\phi_l(p) - \phi_r(p) = 0$ for p_m

$$u_m = \phi_l(p_m) = \phi_r(p_m)$$

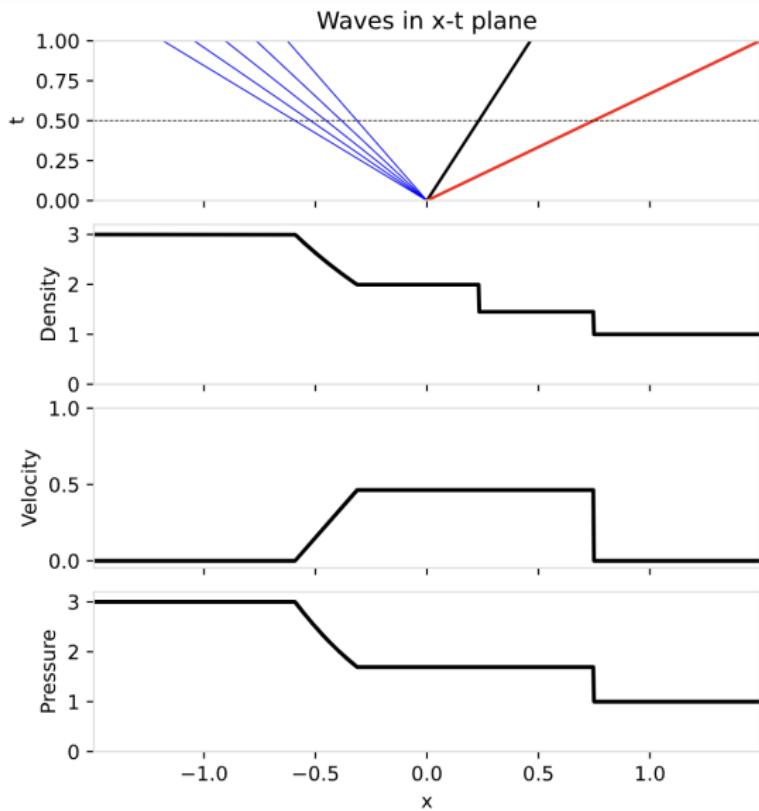
$$\rho_{ml} = \rho(p_m) \text{ across 1-wave}$$

$$\rho_{mr} = \rho(p_m) \text{ across 2-wave}$$

Red curve is displaced from blue in ρ direction (into page).

blue = integral curve, red = Hugoniot locus, dashed = nonphysical

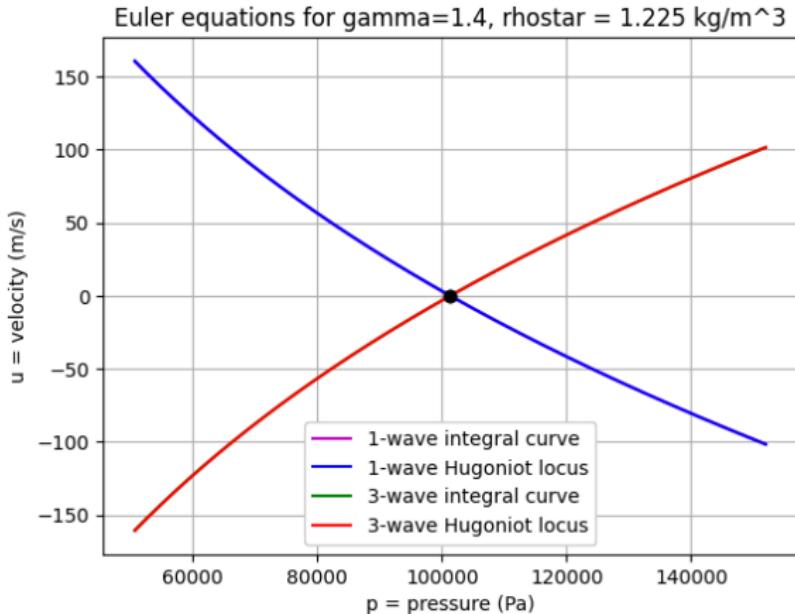
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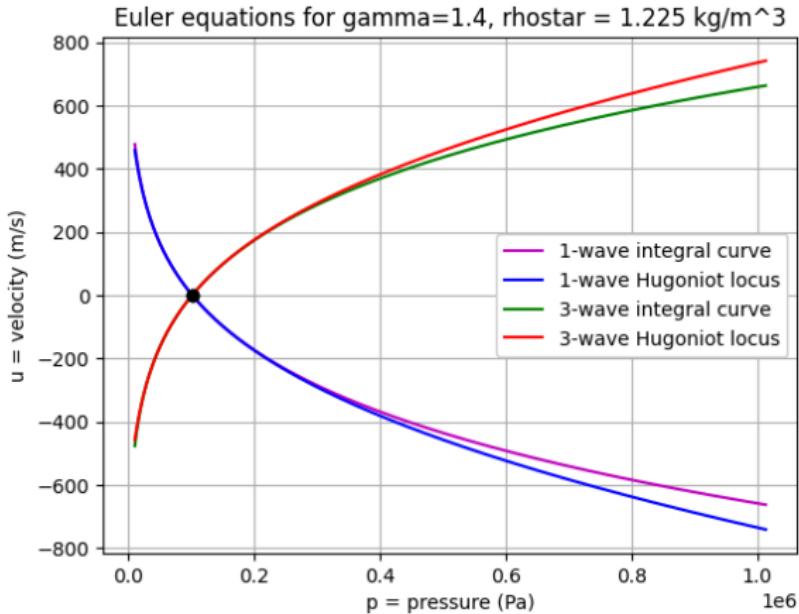
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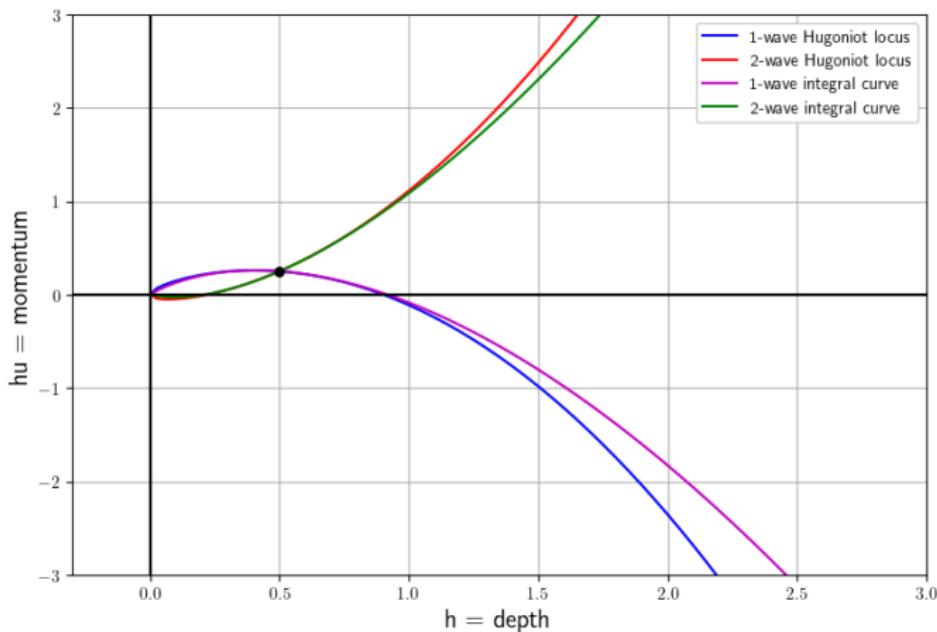
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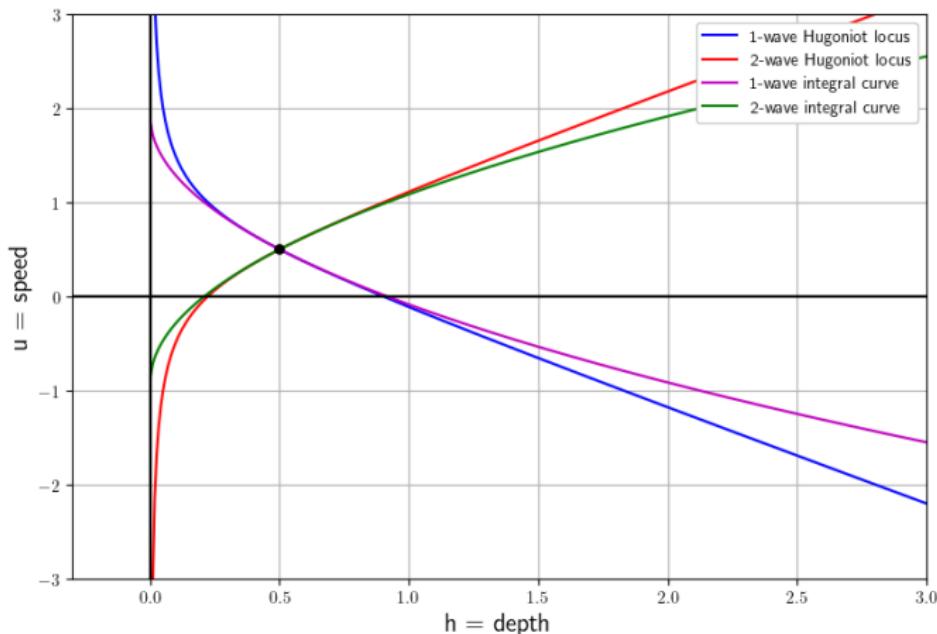
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In the $h-hu$ phase plane (the conserved quantities):



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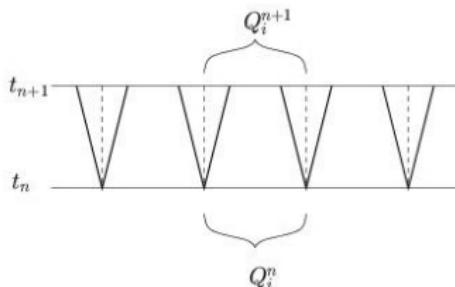


Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Finite Volume Methods for Nonlinear Systems

- Wave propagation method for systems
- High-resolution methods using wave limiters
- Example for shallow water equations

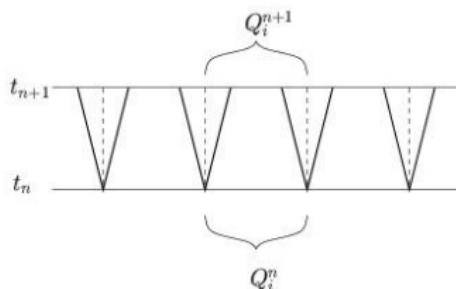
Godunov's Method for $q_t + f(q)_x = 0$



1. Solve Riemann problems at all interfaces, yielding waves $\mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p$ and speeds $s_{i-1/2}^p$, for $p = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Riemann problem: Original equation with piecewise constant data.

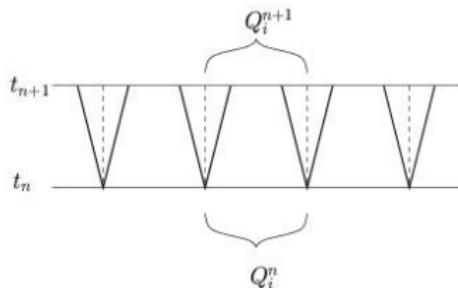
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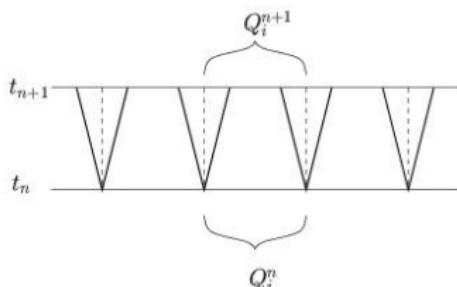


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High-resolution method:

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Note: Limiters are applied to waves or characteristic components, not to original variables.

Wave-propagation form of high-resolution method

$$\begin{aligned} Q_i^{n+1} = & Q_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[\sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i-1/2}^p)^+ \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p + \sum_{p=1}^m (s_{i+1/2}^p)^- \mathcal{W}_{i+1/2}^p \right] \\ & - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\tilde{F}_{i+1/2} - \tilde{F}_{i-1/2}) \end{aligned}$$

Correction flux:

$$\tilde{F}_{i-1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p=1}^{M_w} |s_{i-1/2}^p| \left(1 - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} |s_{i-1/2}^p| \right) \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}_{i-1/2}^p$$

where $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}_{i-1/2}^p$ is a limited version of $\mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p$ to avoid oscillations.

(Unlimited $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}^p = \mathcal{W}^p \implies$ Lax-Wendroff for a linear system.)

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$$q_t + \hat{A}q_x = 0, \quad \text{where } \hat{A} = \hat{A}(q_l, q_r) \approx f'(q_{ave}).$$

Eigenvectors give waves. **Roe solver** \implies conservative

Wave limiters for linear system

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For constant coefficient linear system: r^p is constant vector,
Only the scalar α^p varies.

Replace by $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}_{i-1/2}^p = \Phi(\theta_{i-1/2}^p) \mathcal{W}_{i-1/2}^p$ where

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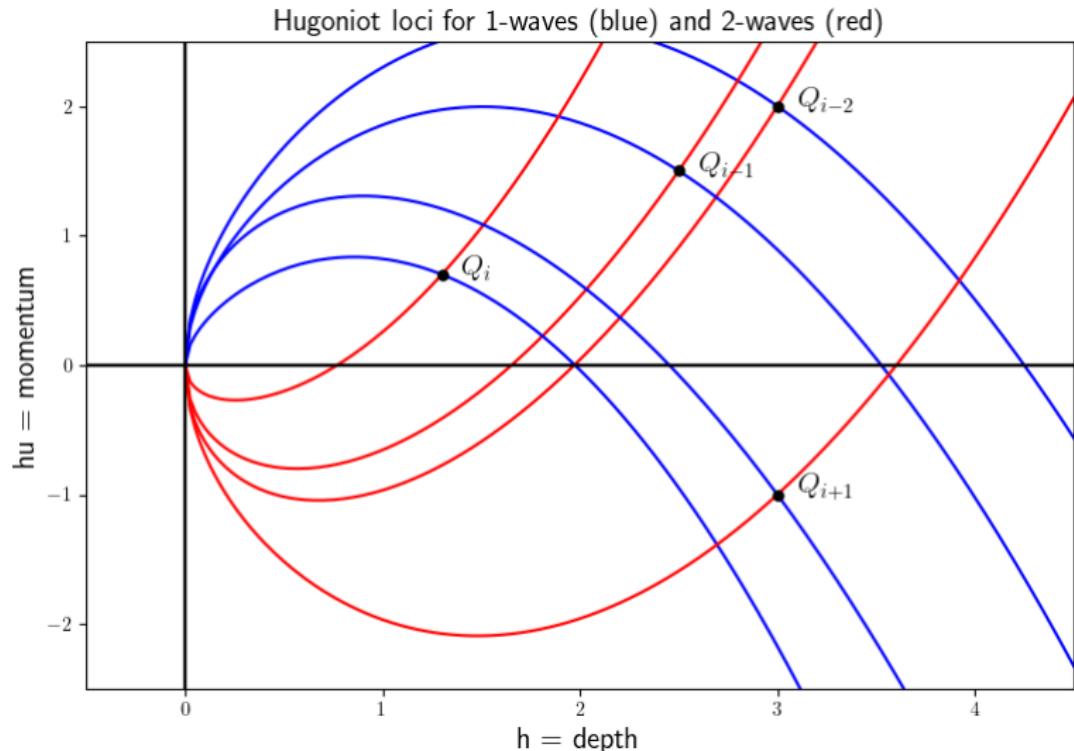
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Limiters – shallow water equation



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General information and links to book, Github, Binder, etc.:
bookstore.siam.org/fa16/bonus

View static version of notebooks at:

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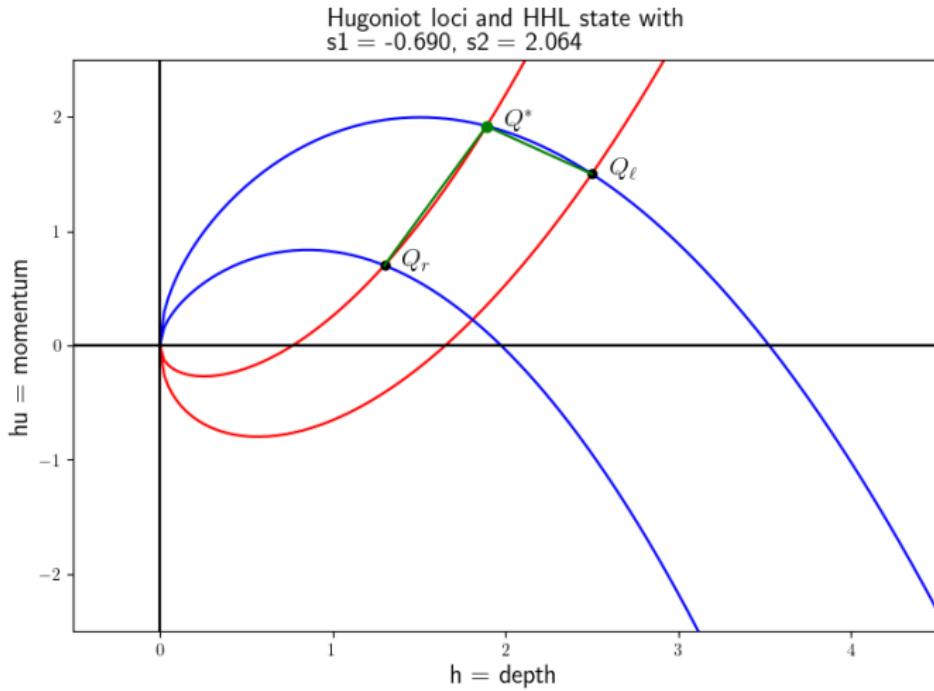
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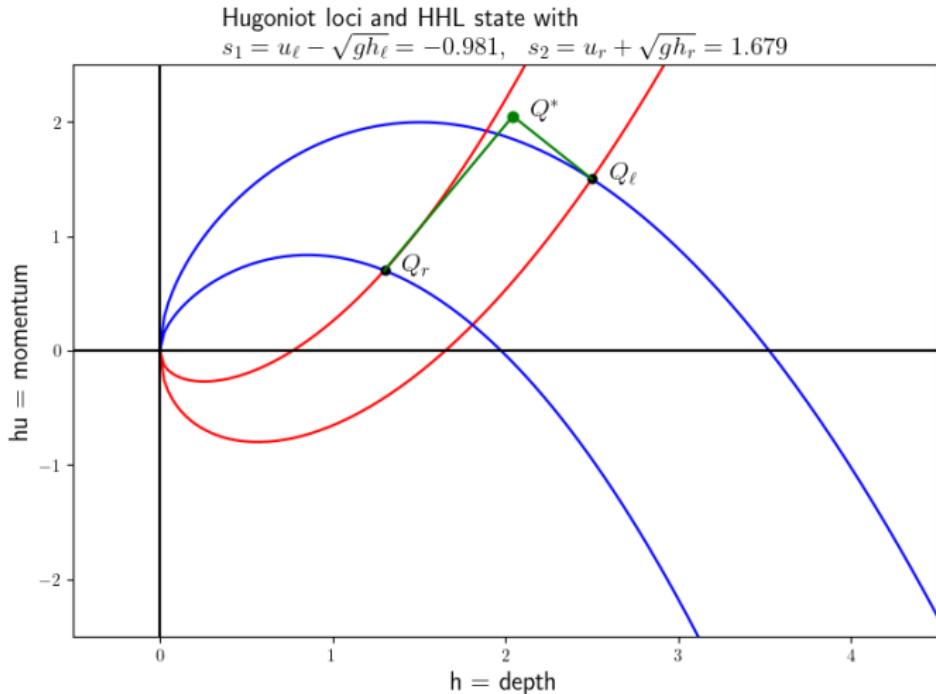
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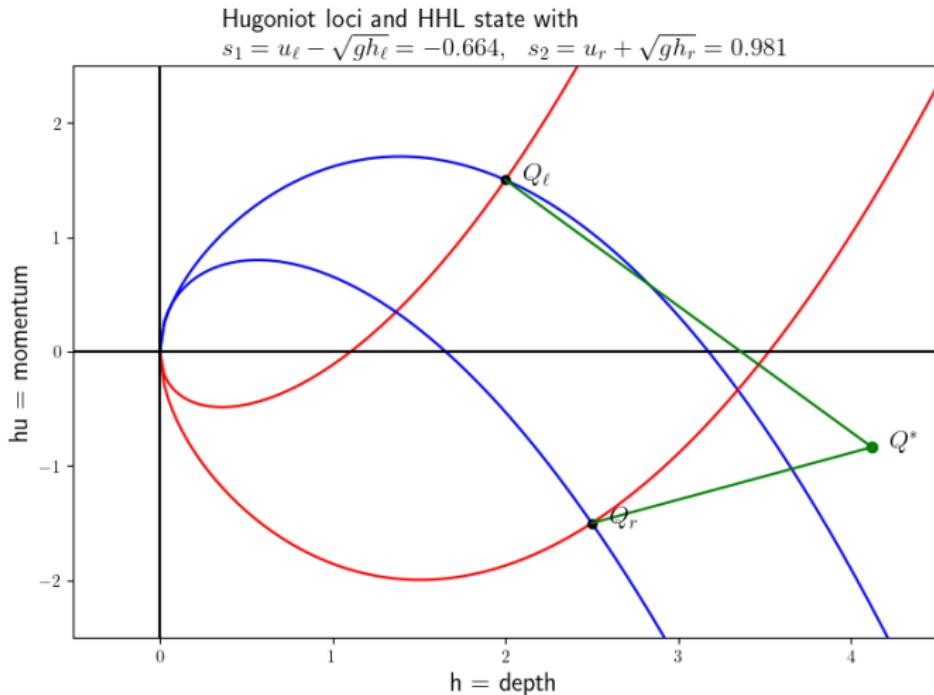
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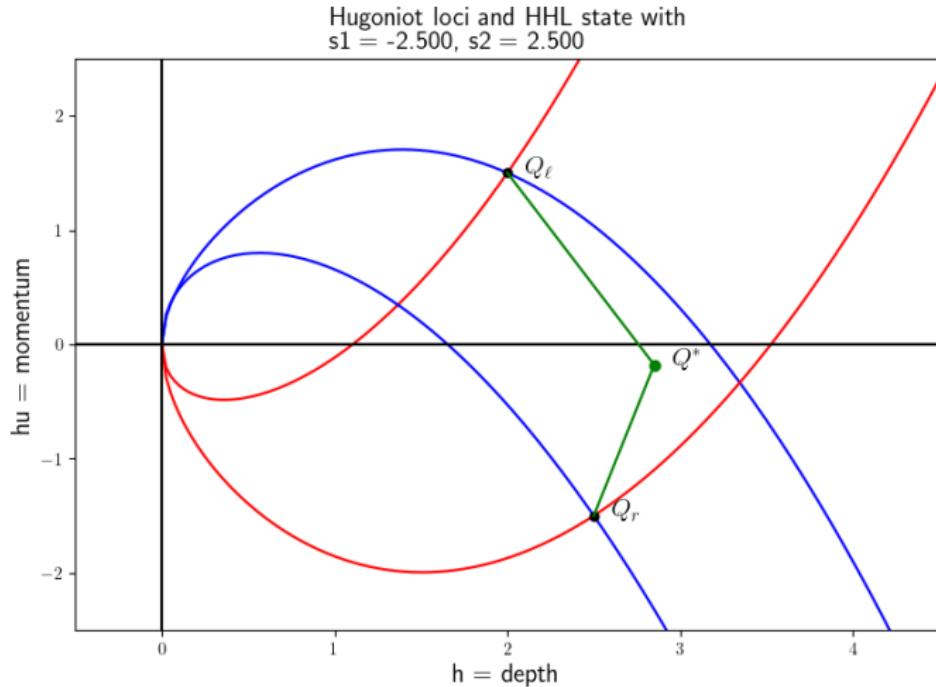
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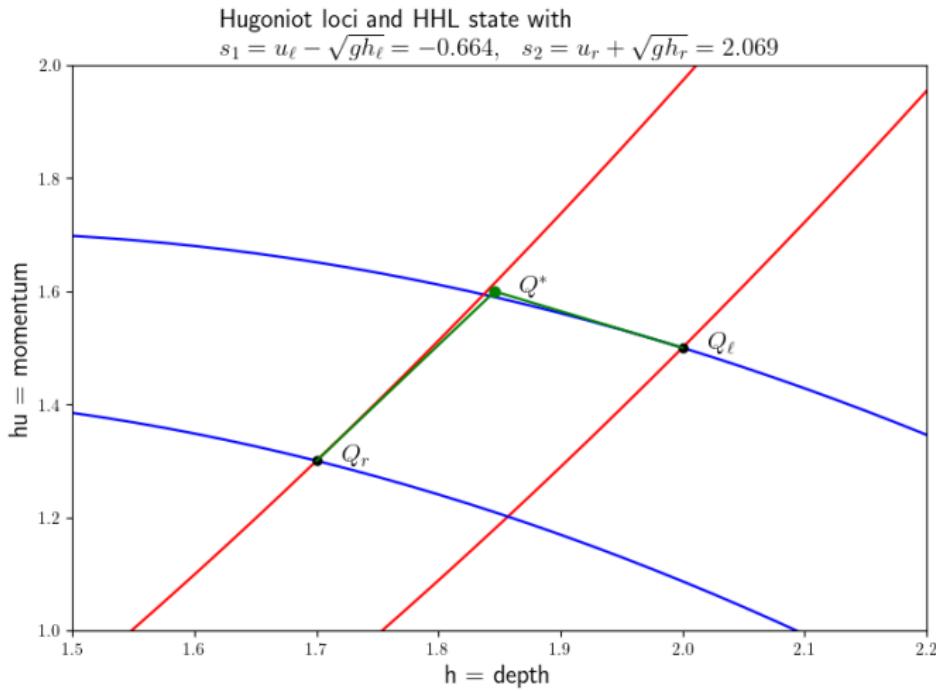
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Using different choice of s_1 , s_2 :



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Then

\hat{A} = Jacobian matrix evaluated at this average state

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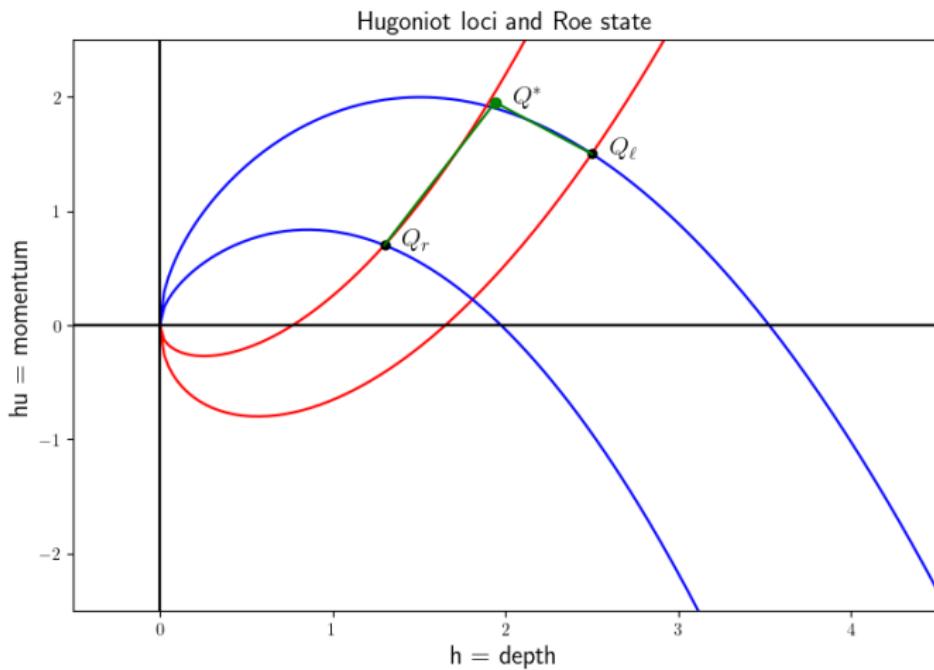
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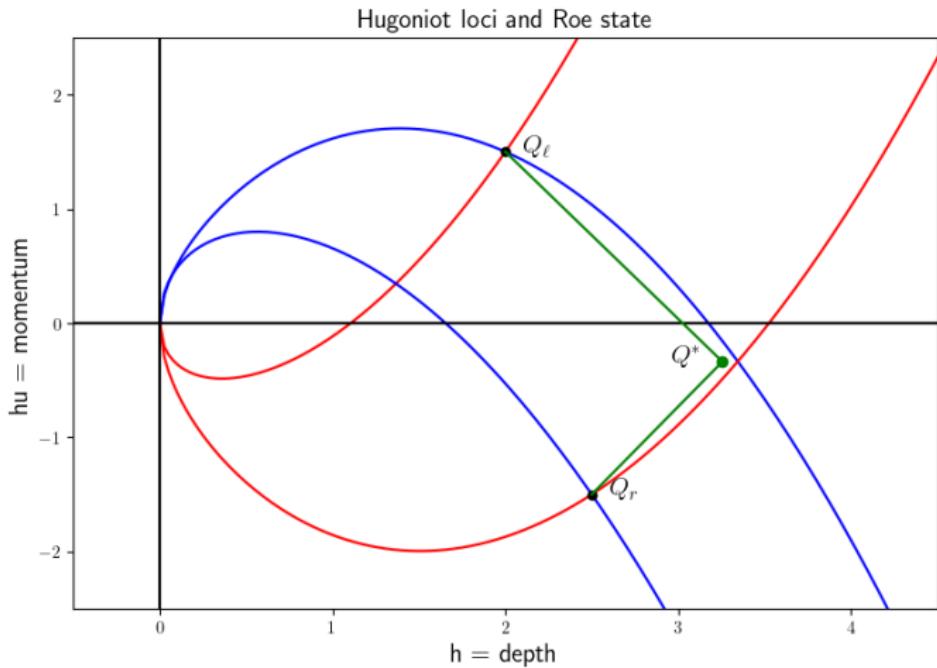
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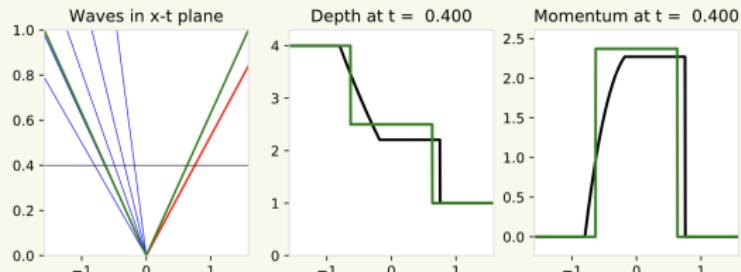
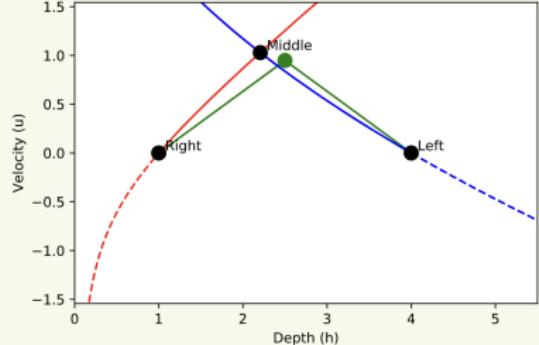
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Dam break problem with Roe solver

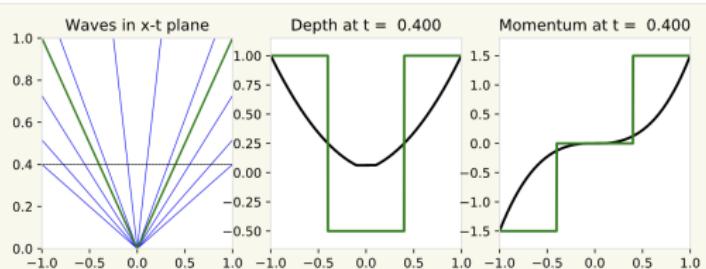


Note that rarefaction replaced by jump.

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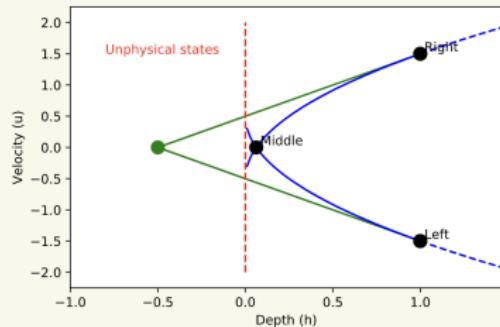
Widgets can be used to experiment.

Nonphysical solution with Roe solver



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In [12]: sw.phase_plane_plot(q_l,q_r,g=1.,y_axis='u',
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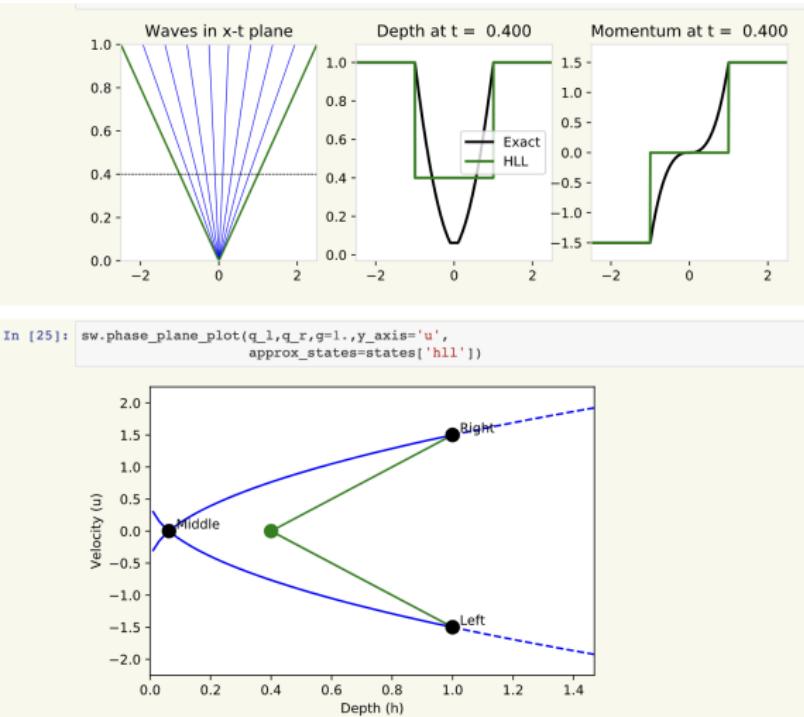
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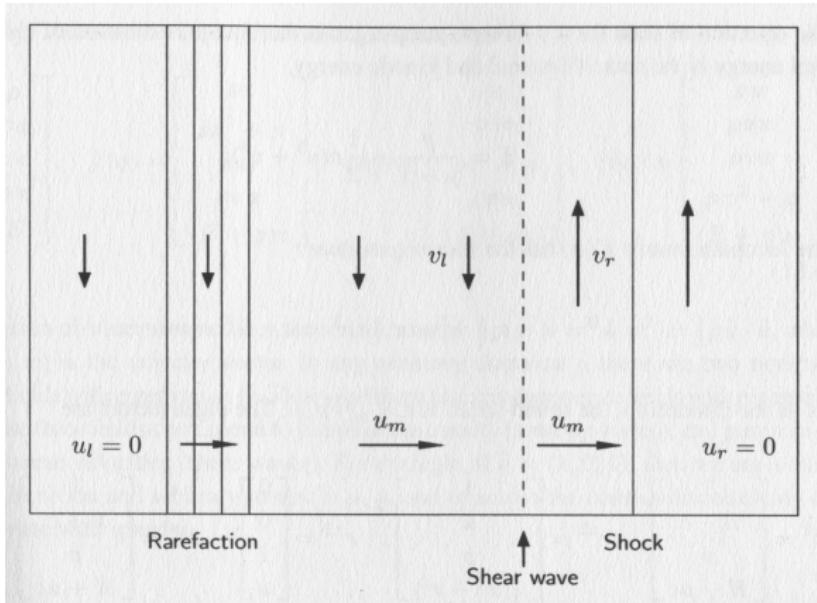
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and conversely, if two diagonalizable matrices commute, then they are simultaneously diagonalizable.

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In true solution operator,

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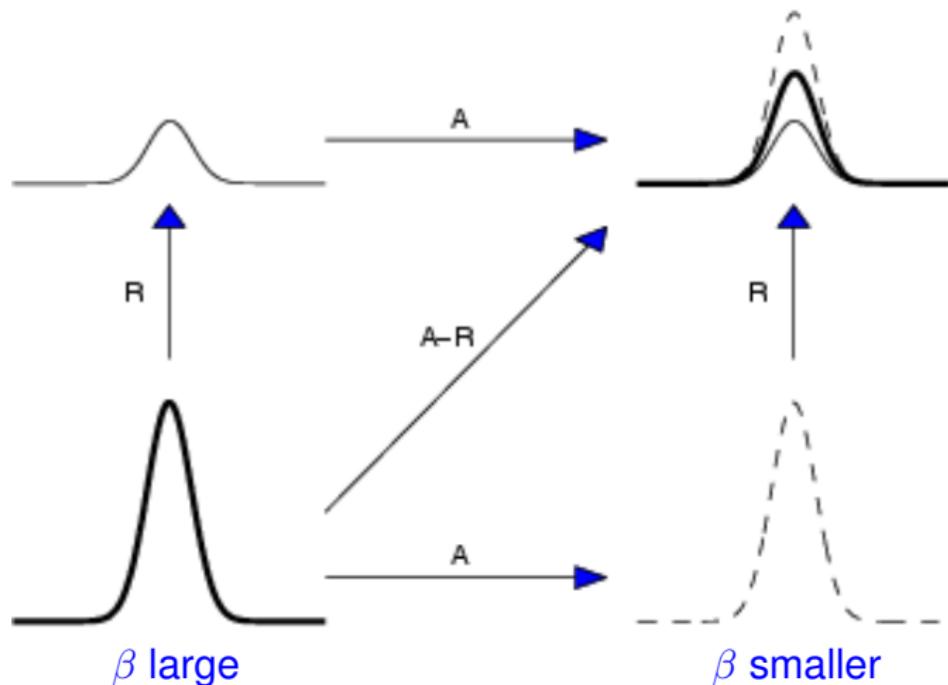
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Splitting error unless $\beta(x) = \text{constant}$

Splitting error in advection-reaction (decay)

$$q_t + u q_x = -\beta(x)q \quad \text{with } \beta(x) \text{ decreasing as } x \text{ increases}$$



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Finite Volume Methods for Hyperbolic Problems

Multidimensional Finite Volume Methods

- Integral form on a rectangular grid cell
- Flux differencing form
- Scalar advection: donor cell upwind
- Corner transport upwind and transverse waves
- Wave propagation algorithms for systems
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If Ω is a rectangular grid cell $[x_{i-1/2}, x_{i+1/2}] \times [y_{j-1/2}, y_{j+1/2}]$

Then flux in normal direction \vec{n} is

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{f}(q) = \begin{cases} \mp f(q) & \text{at } x_{i\pm 1/2}, \\ \mp g(q) & \text{at } y_{j\pm 1/2}. \end{cases}$$

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Suggests:

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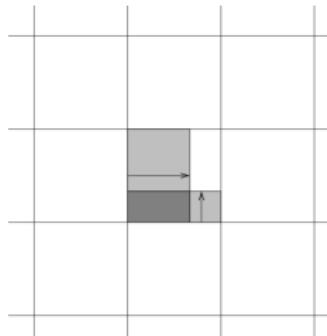
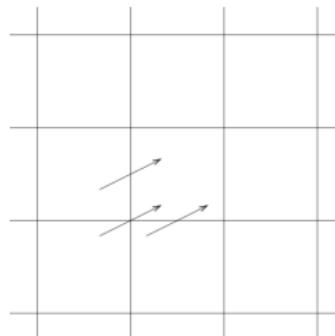
The \tilde{F} and \tilde{G} are **correction fluxes** to go beyond Godunov's upwind method.

Incorporate approximations to second derivative terms in each direction (q_{xx} and q_{yy}) **and mixed term q_{xy} .**

Advection: Donor Cell Upwind

With no correction fluxes, Godunov's method for advection is
Donor Cell Upwind:

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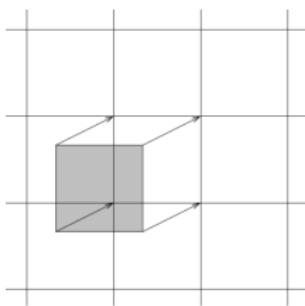
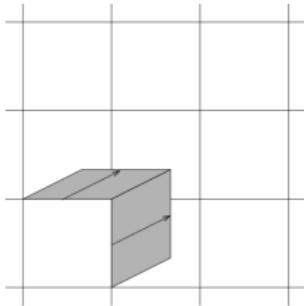
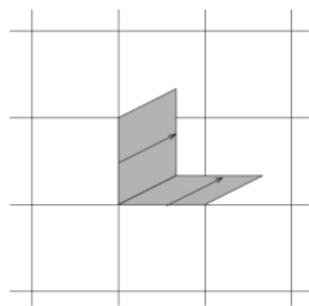


Stable only if $\left| \frac{u \Delta t}{\Delta x} \right| + \left| \frac{v \Delta t}{\Delta y} \right| \leq 1.$

Advection: Corner Transport Upwind (CTU)

Correction fluxes can be added to advect waves correctly.

Corner Transport Upwind:



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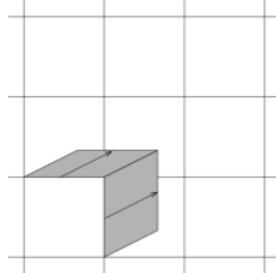
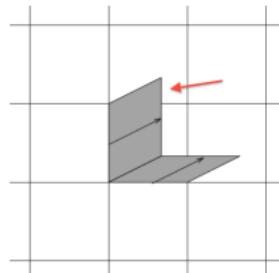
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Need to transport triangular region from cell (i, j) to $(i, j + 1)$:

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Accomplished by correction flux:

$$\tilde{G}_{i,j+1/2} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} uv(Q_{ij} - Q_{i-1,j})$$



$\frac{\Delta t}{\Delta y} (\tilde{G}_{i,j+1/2} - \tilde{G}_{i,j-1/2})$ gives approximation to $\frac{1}{2}\Delta t^2 uv q_{xy}$.

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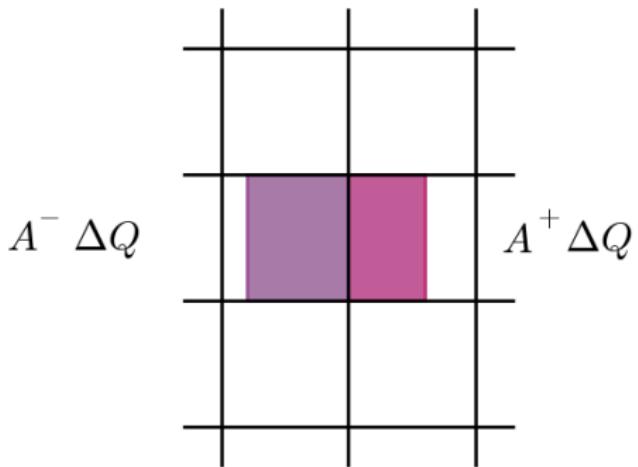
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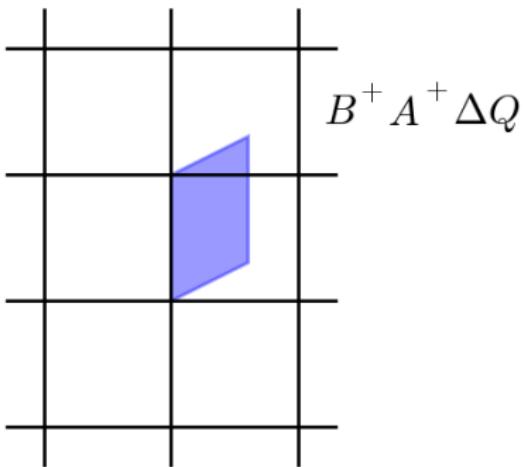
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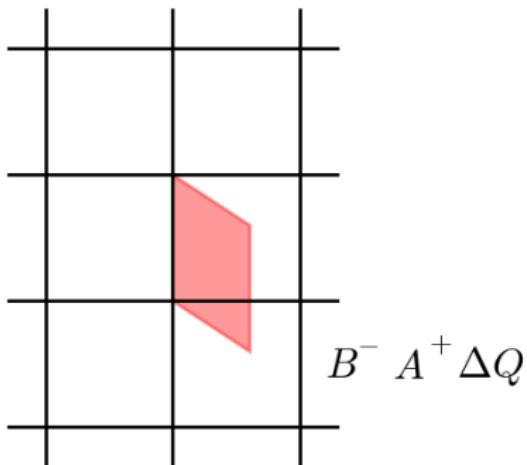
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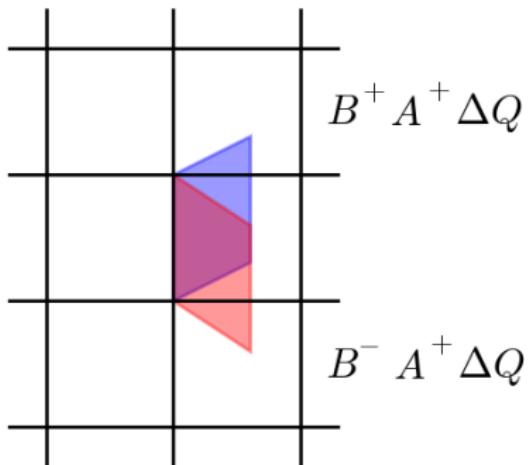
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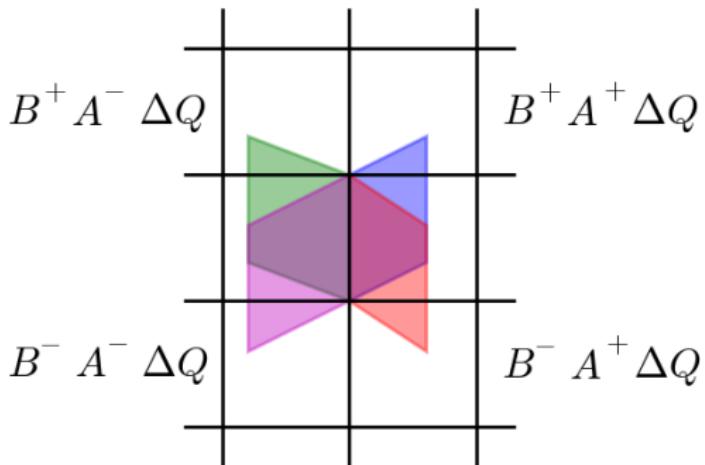
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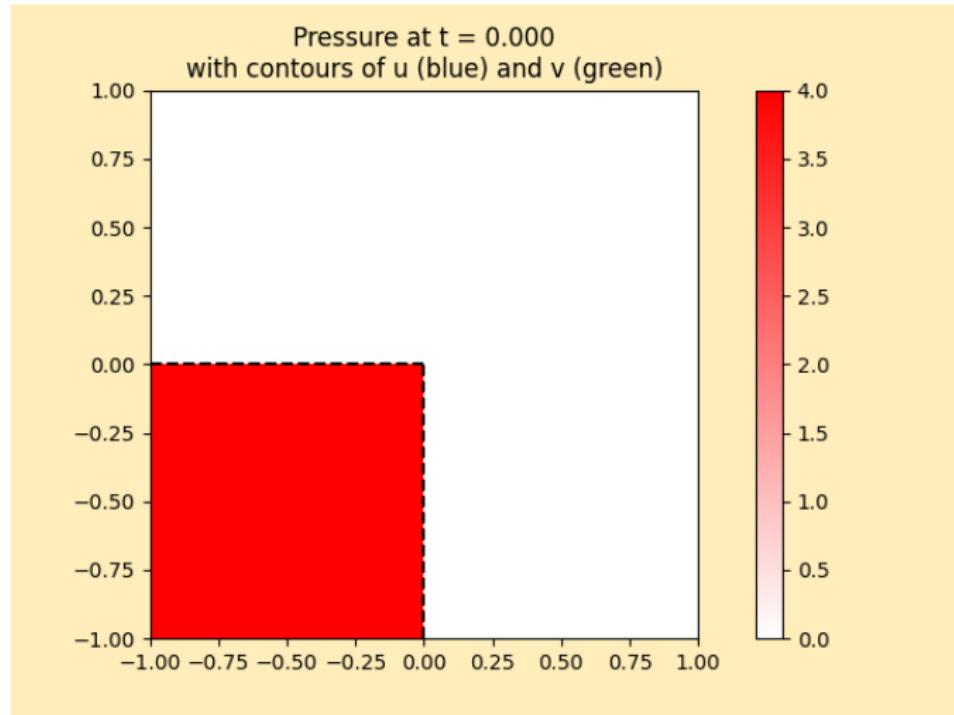
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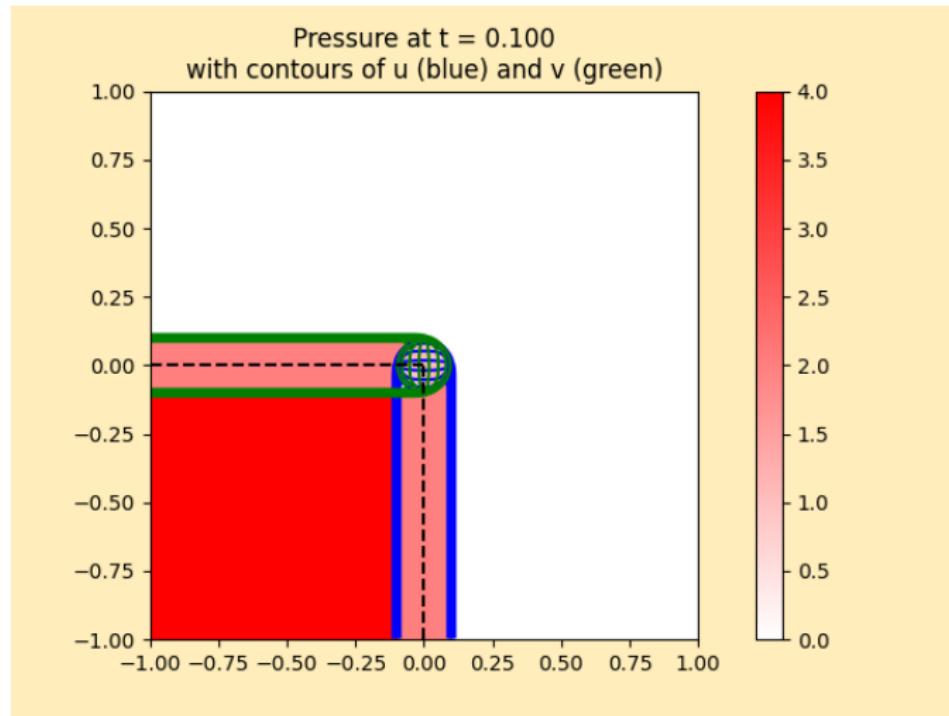
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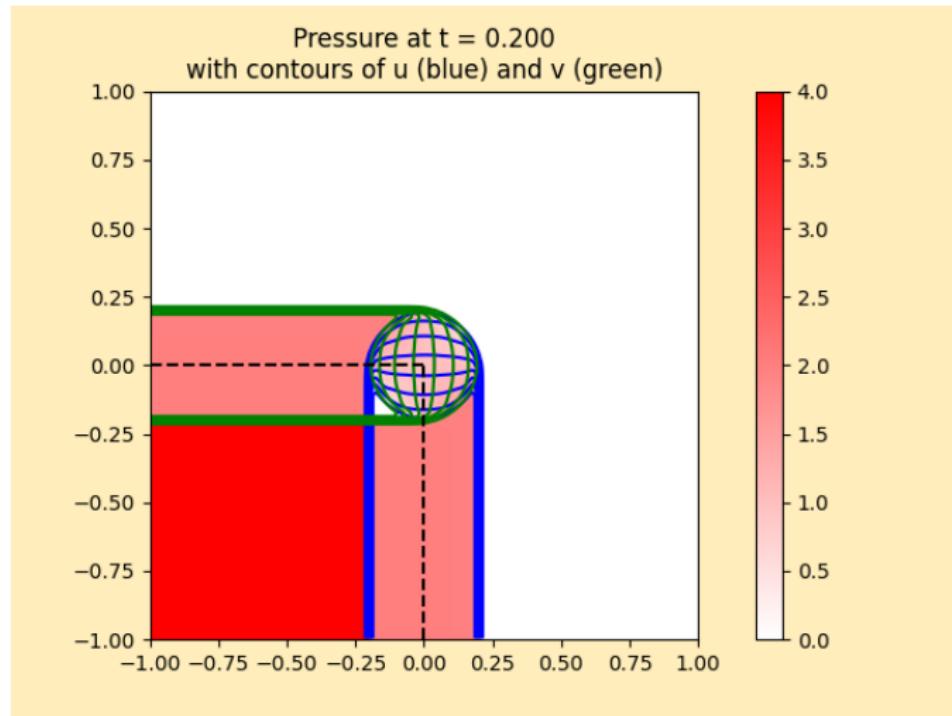
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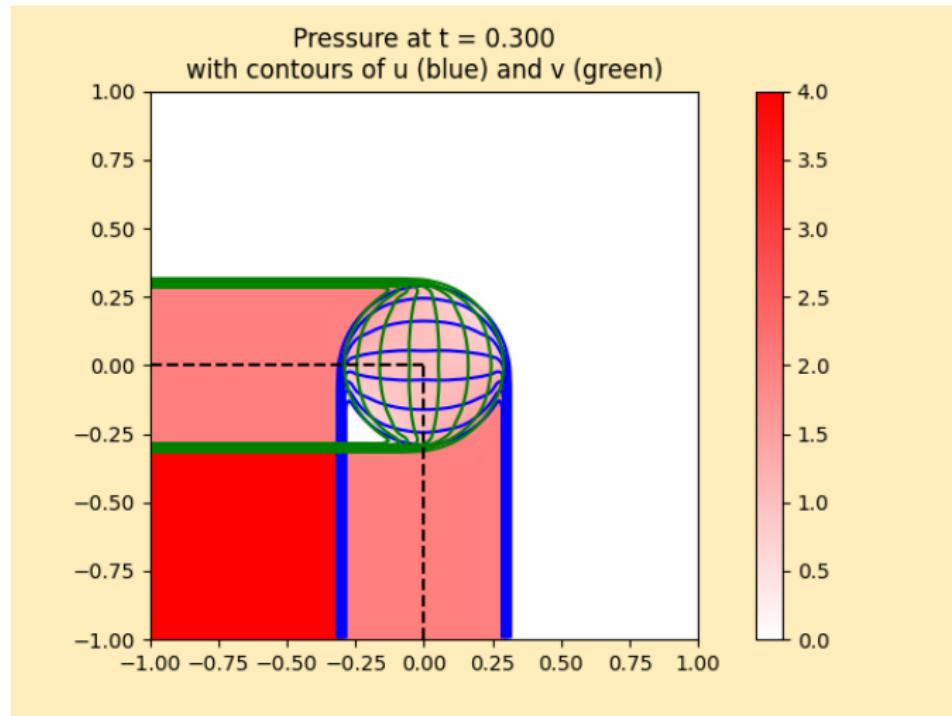
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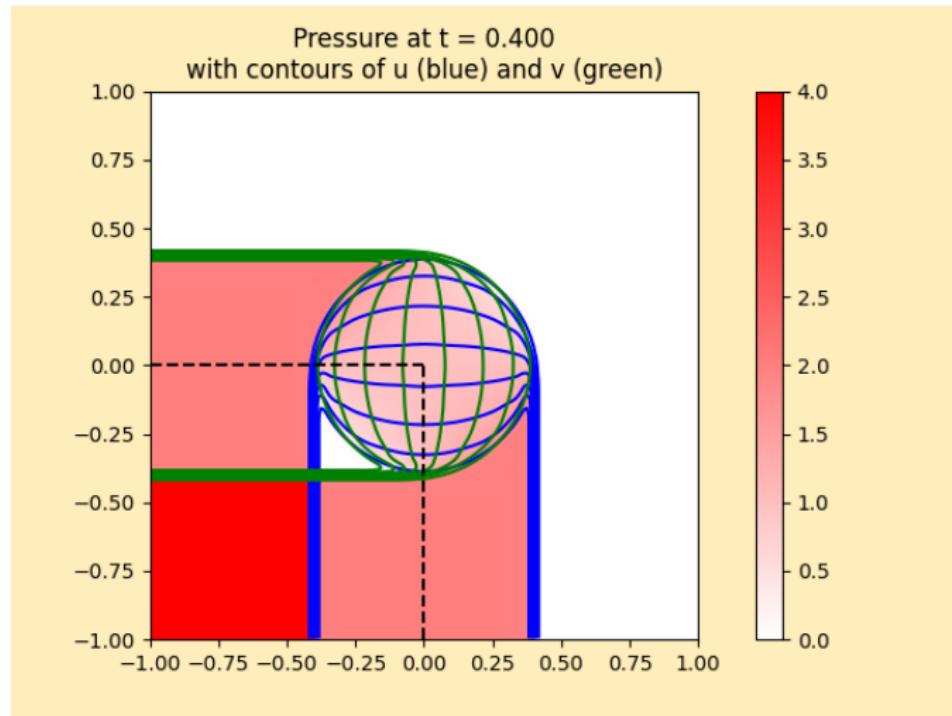
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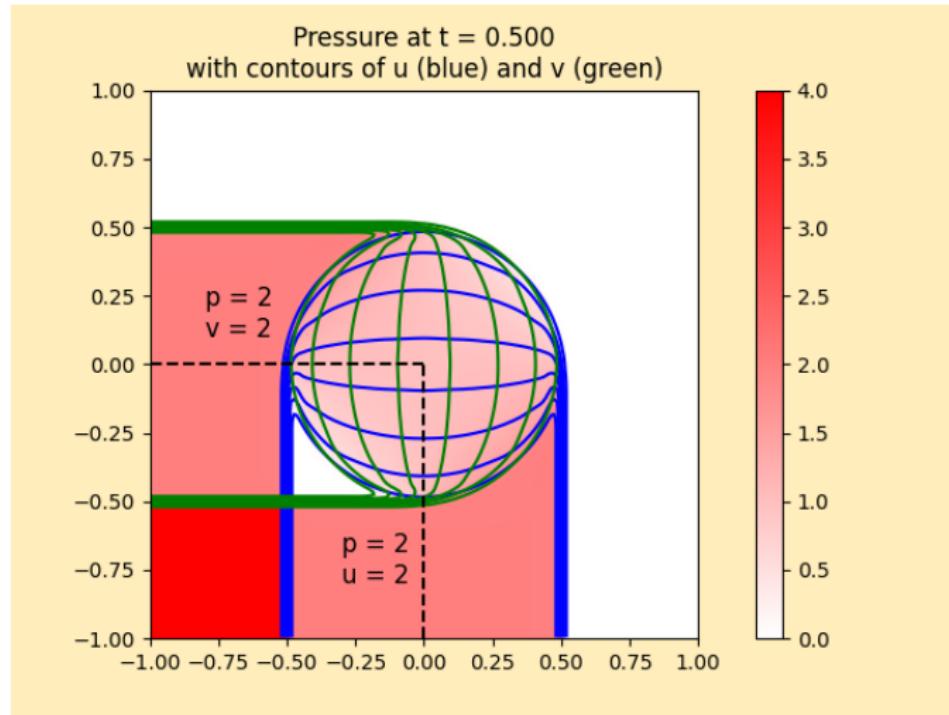
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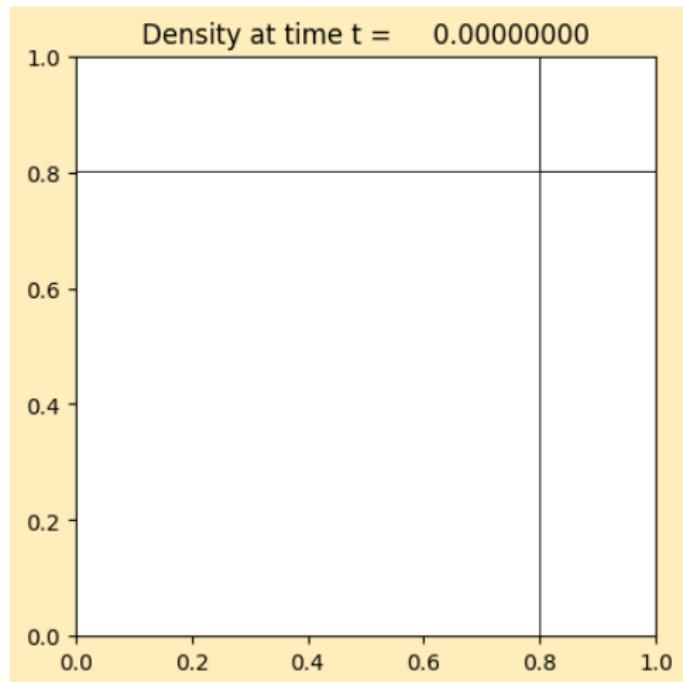
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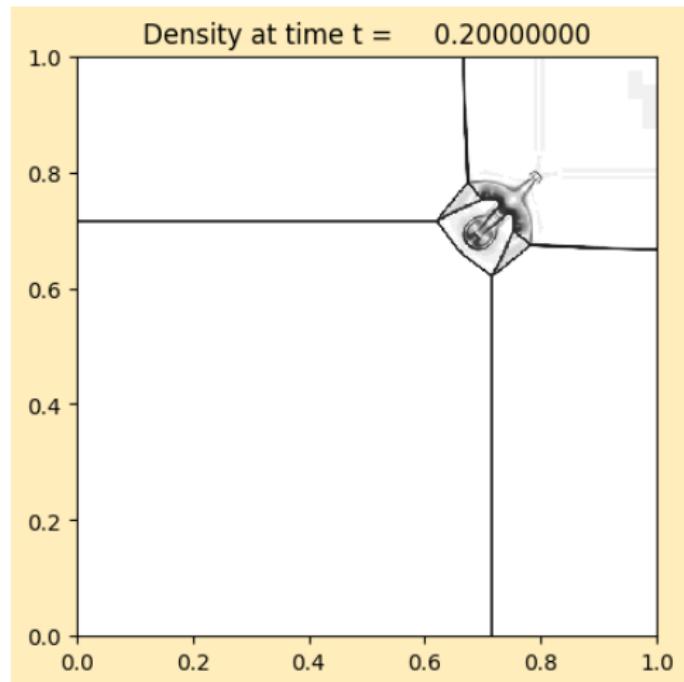
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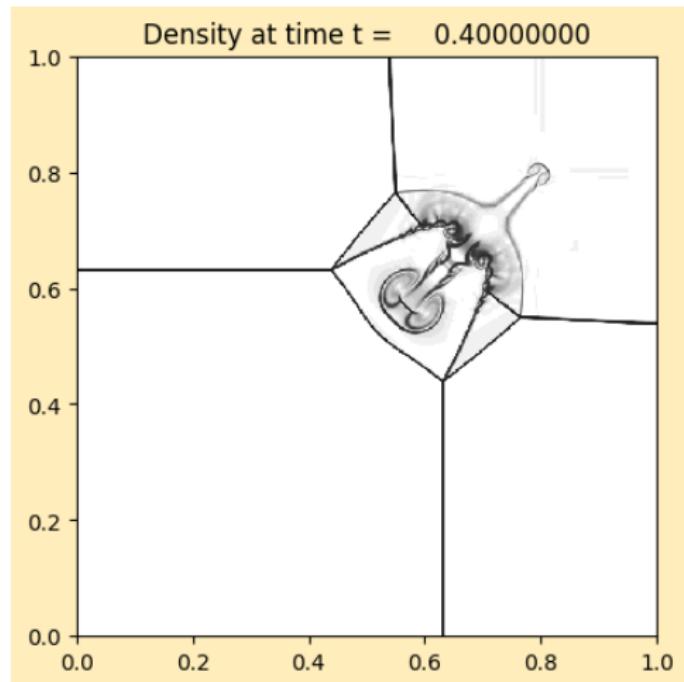
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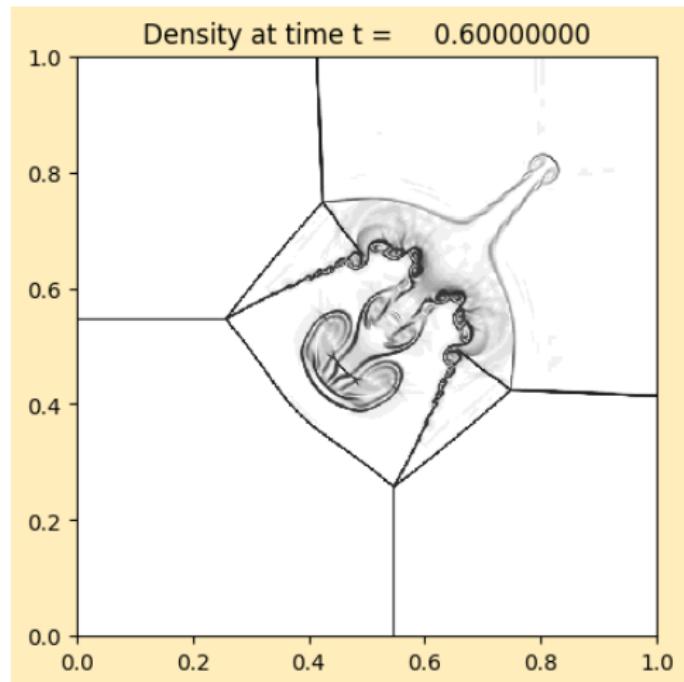
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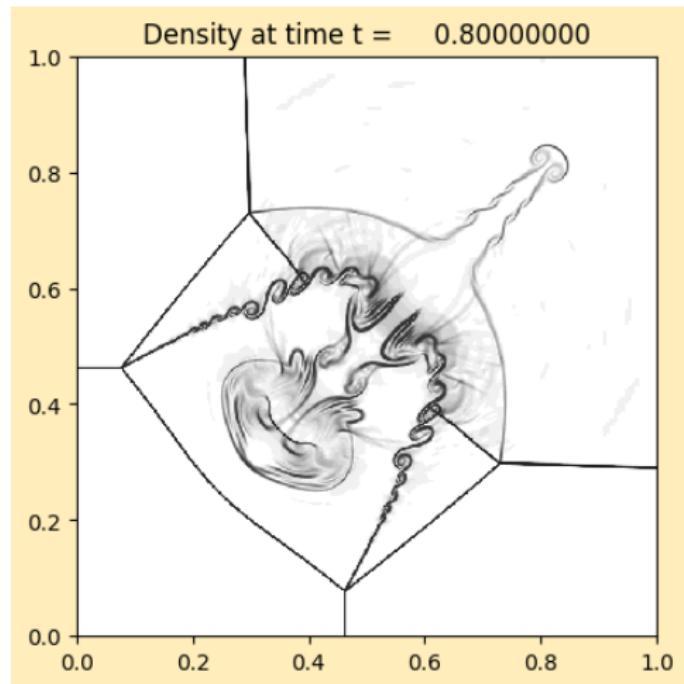
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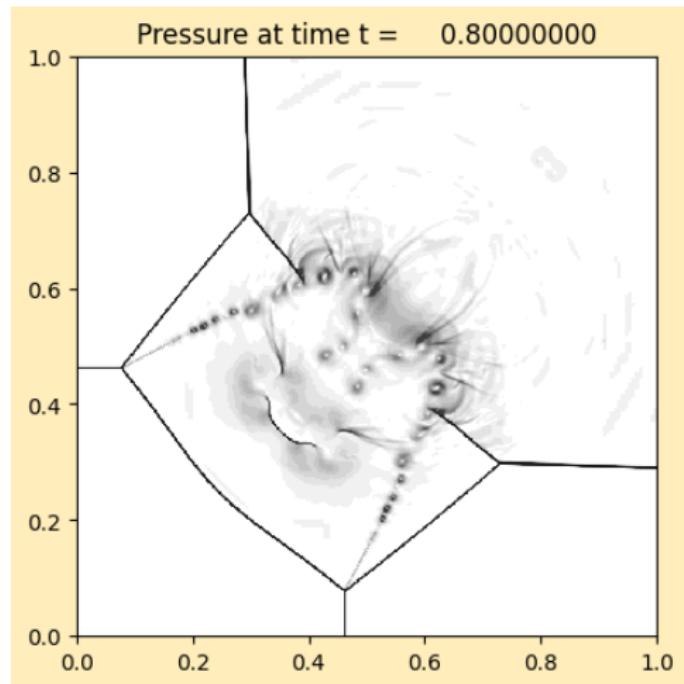
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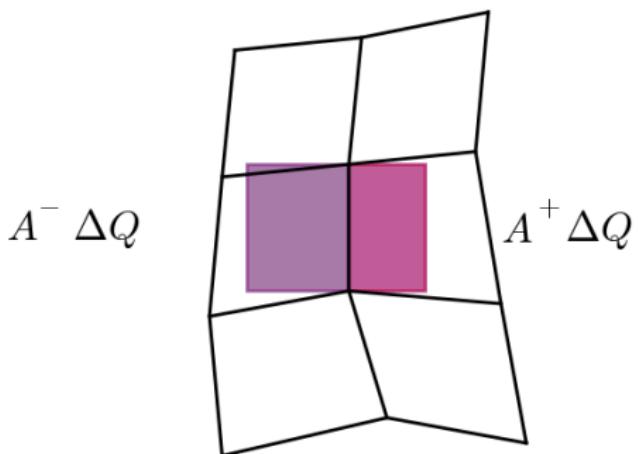
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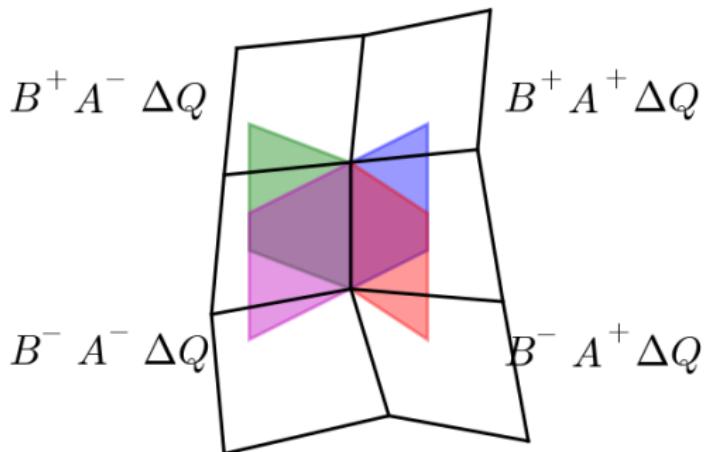
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One-dimensional Elasticity

Compressional waves similar to acoustic waves in gas.

Notation:

$X(x, t)$ = location of particle indexed by x in the reference (undeformed) configuration

$X(x, 0) = x$ if initially undeformed

$\epsilon(x, t) = X_x(x, t) - 1$ = strain

$u(x, t)$ = velocity of particle indexed by x

$\sigma(\epsilon)$ = stress-strain relation

ρ = density

Linear elasticity

Hyperbolic conservation law:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_t - u_x &= 0 && \text{since } \epsilon_t = X_{xt} = X_{tx} = u_x \\ \rho u_t - \sigma_x &= 0 && \text{conservation of momentum, } F = ma\end{aligned}$$

Linear stress-strain relation (Hooke's law):

$$\sigma(\epsilon) = K\epsilon$$

where K is the bulk modulus of compressibility.

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_t - Ku_x &= 0 \\ u_t - (1/\rho)\sigma_x &= 0\end{aligned}\quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -K \\ -1/\rho & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues: $\lambda = \pm\sqrt{K/\rho}$ as in acoustics.

(Equivalent to acoustics with $\sigma = -p$)

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There is a coupling term on the right: Note typo in (9.51)

$$w_t + \Lambda(x) w_x = \Lambda(x)R_x^{-1}(x)R(x)w$$

If the eigenvectors vary with x (i.e. if $R_x \neq 0$)

then waves in other families are generated (e.g. reflections)

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Linear system $q_t + A(x)q_x = 0$. For acoustics:

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eigenvalues: $\lambda^1 = -c(x), \quad \lambda^2 = +c(x),$

where $c(x) = \sqrt{K(x)/\rho(x)}$ = local speed of sound.

eigenvectors: $r^1(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -Z(x) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad r^2(x) = \begin{bmatrix} Z(x) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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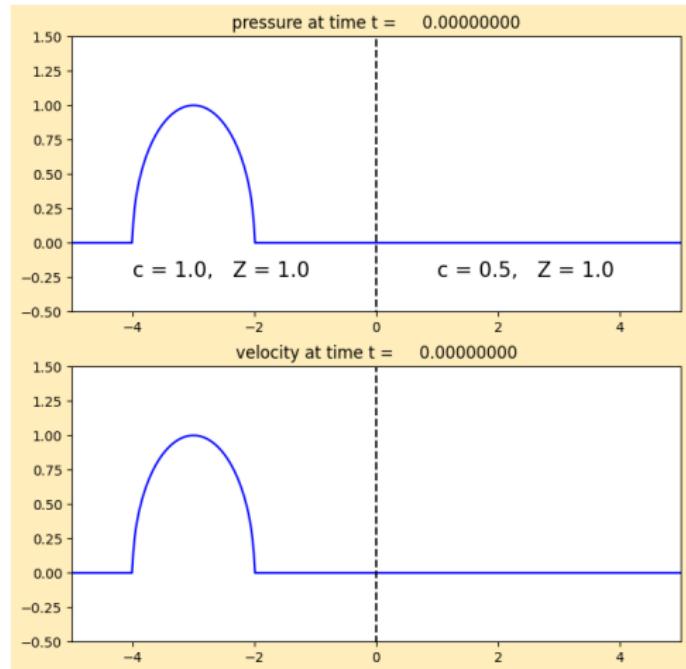
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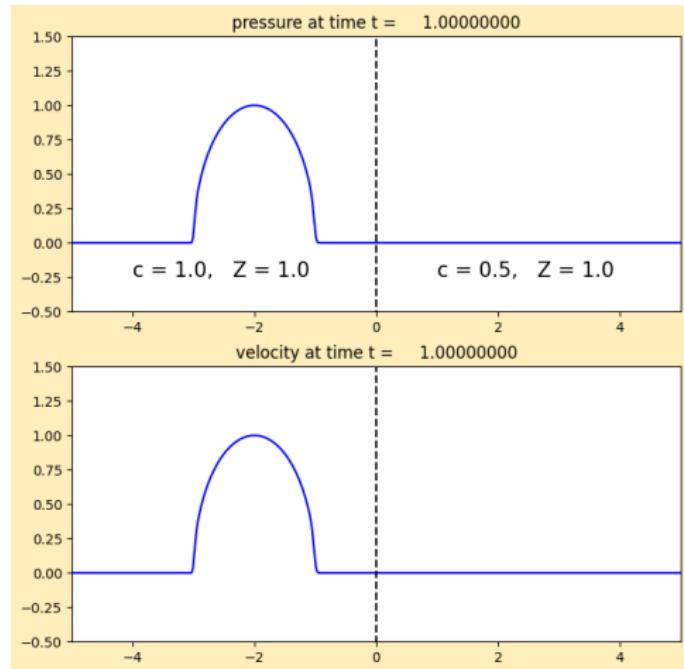
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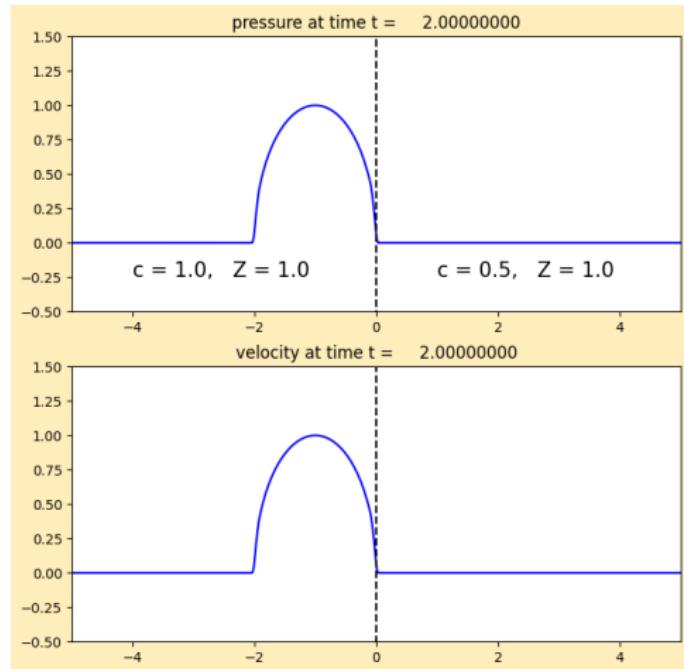
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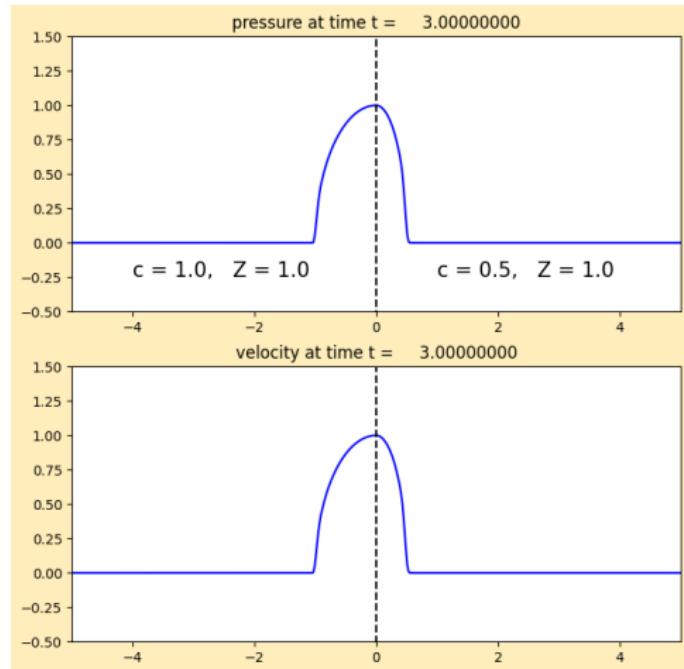
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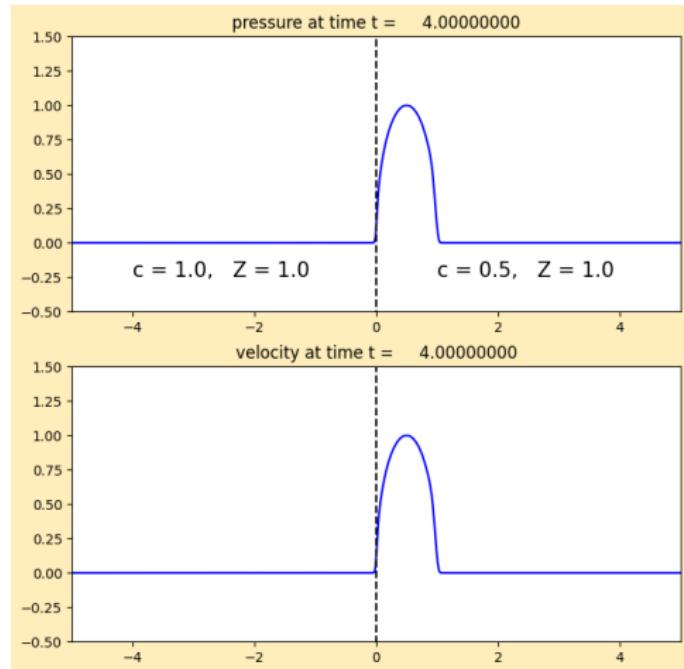
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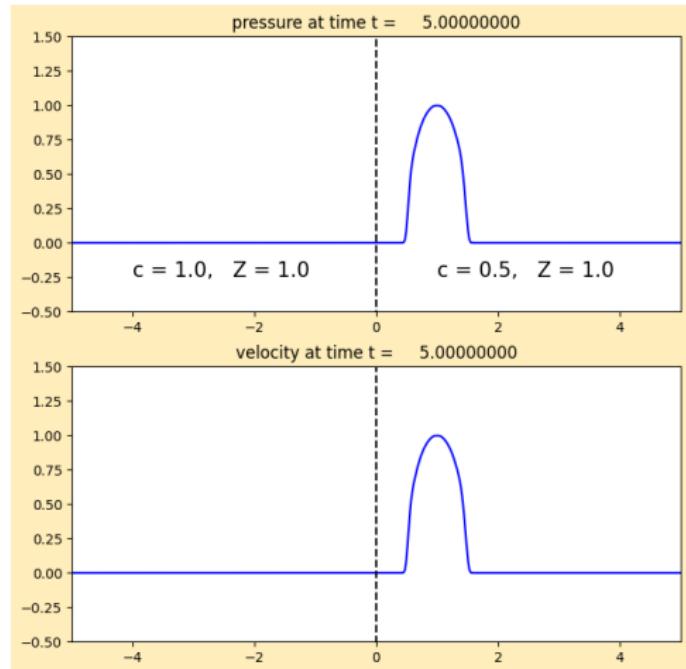
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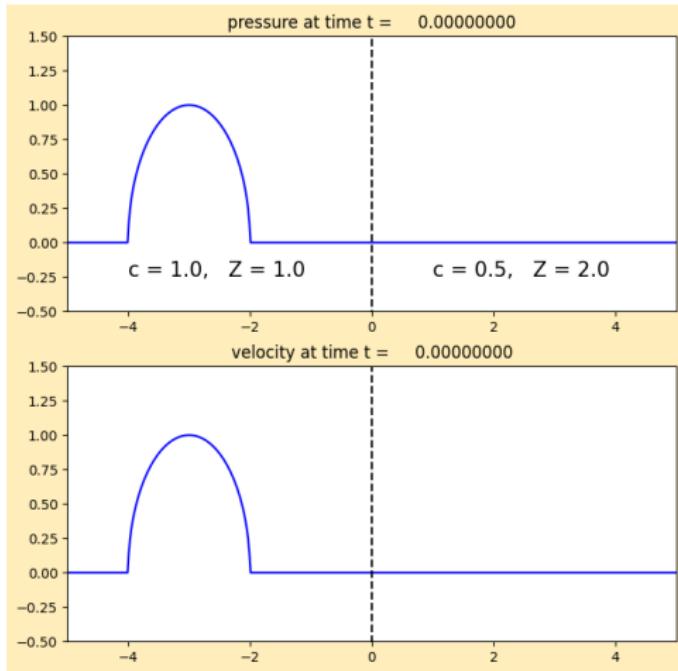
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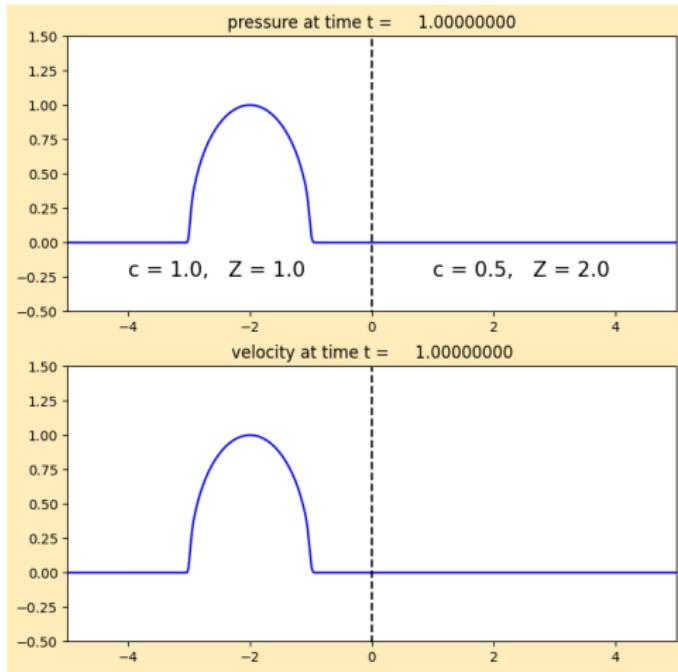


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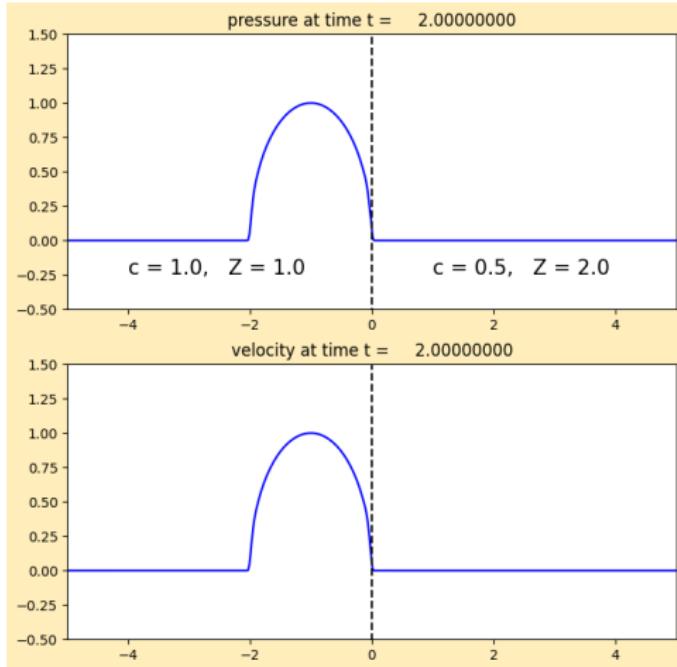


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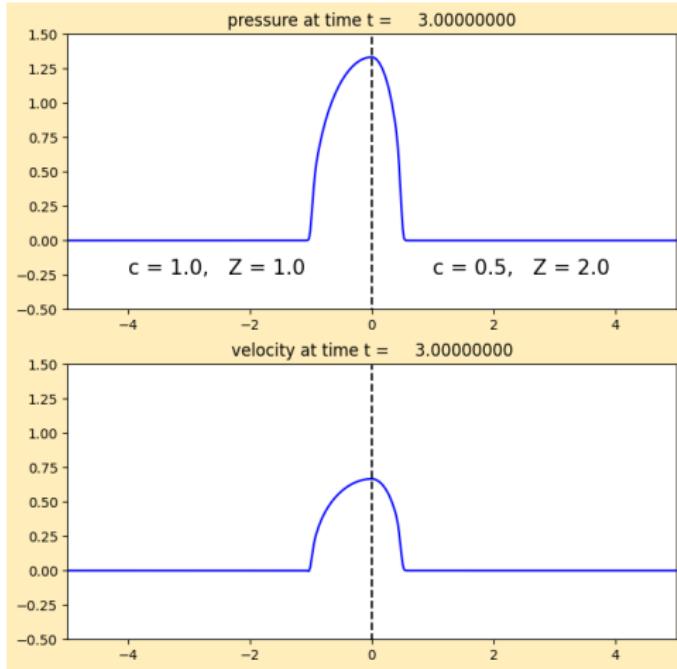


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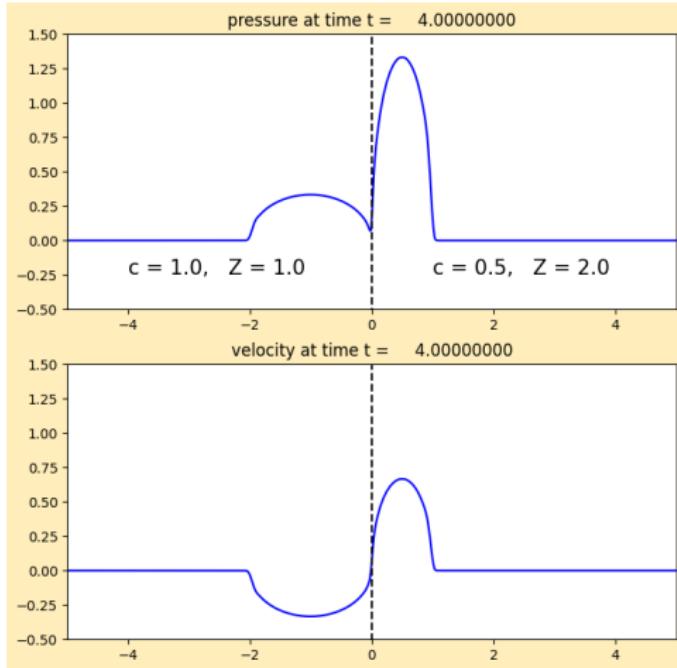


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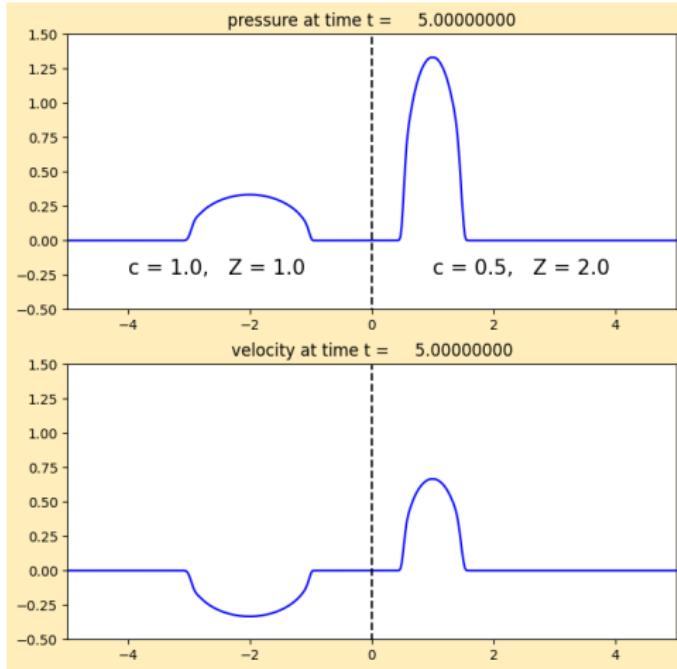


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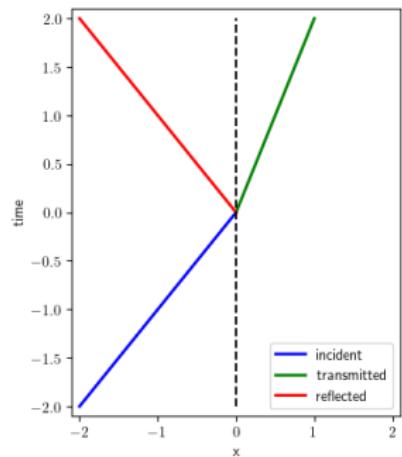
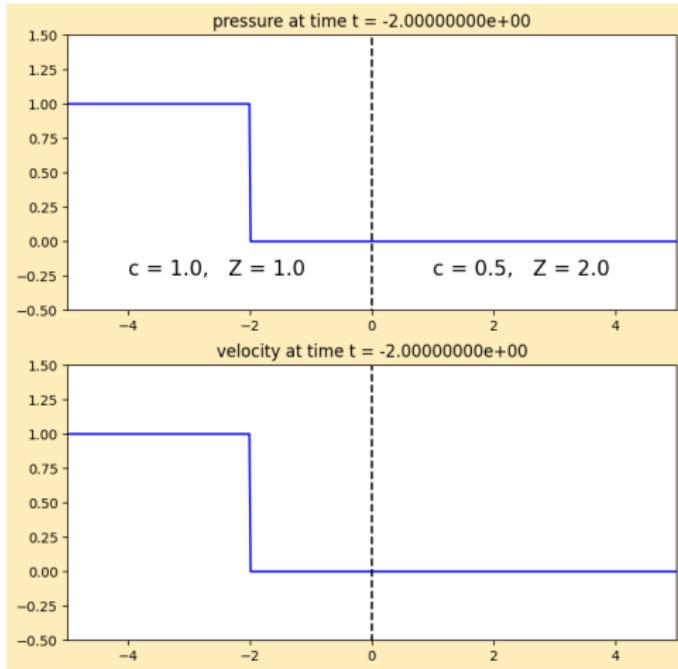


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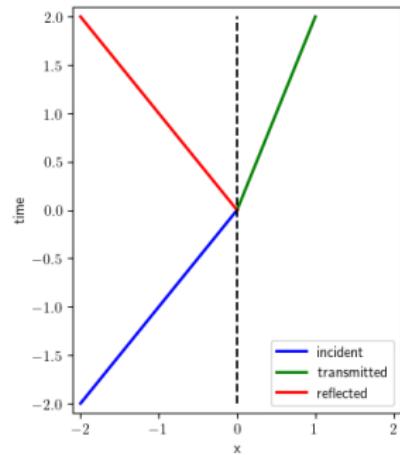
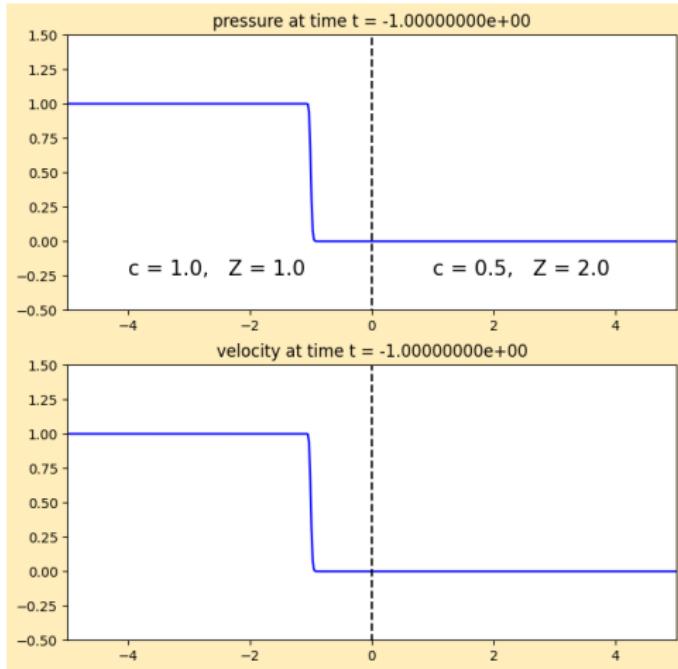
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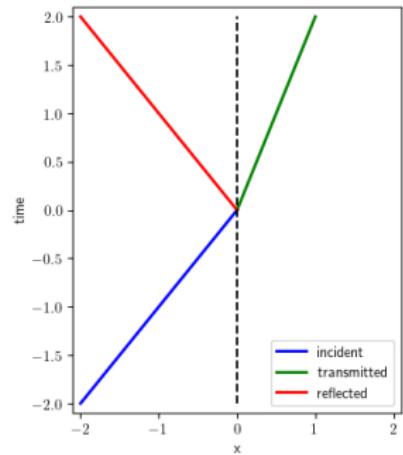
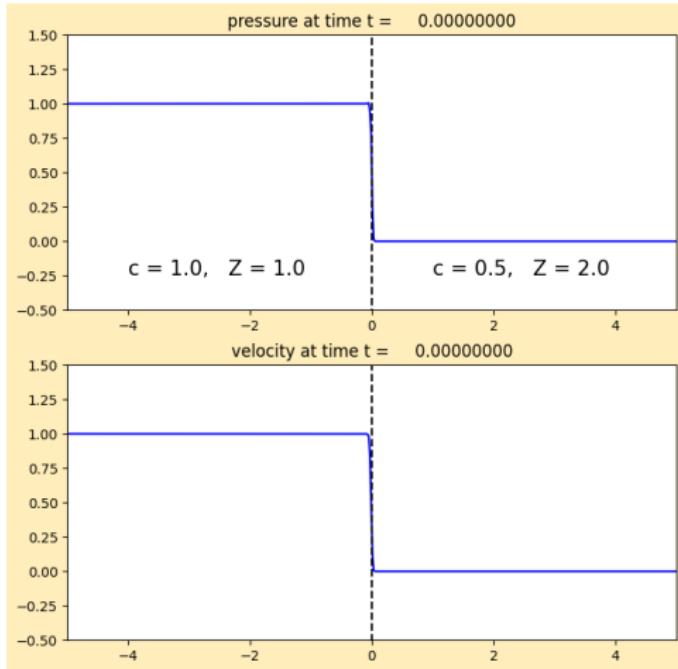
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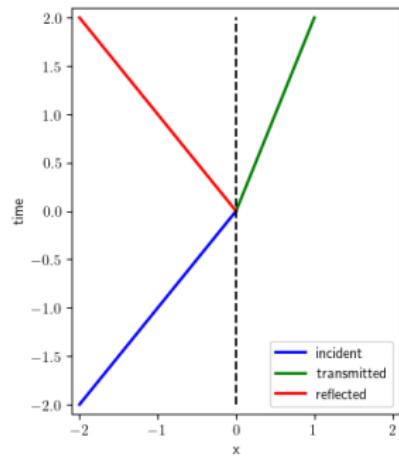
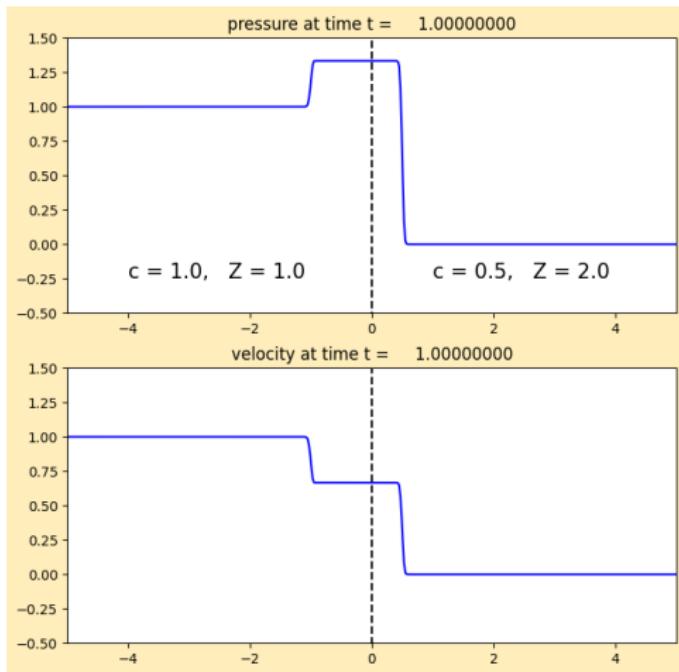
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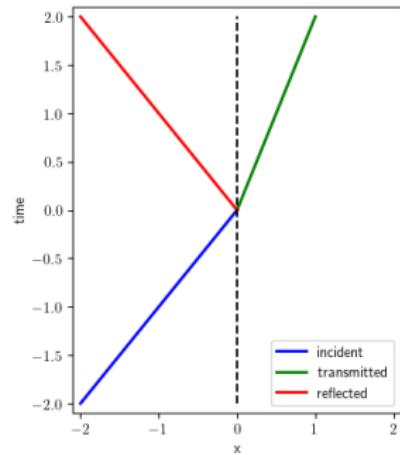
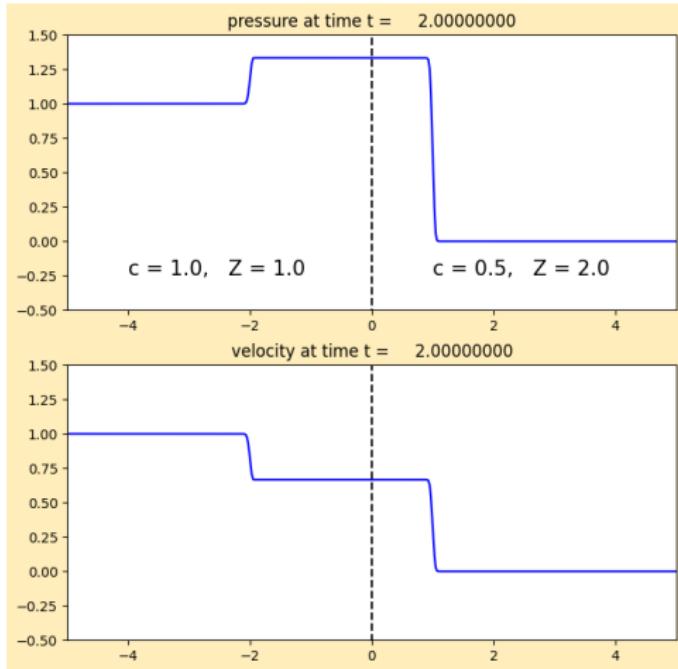
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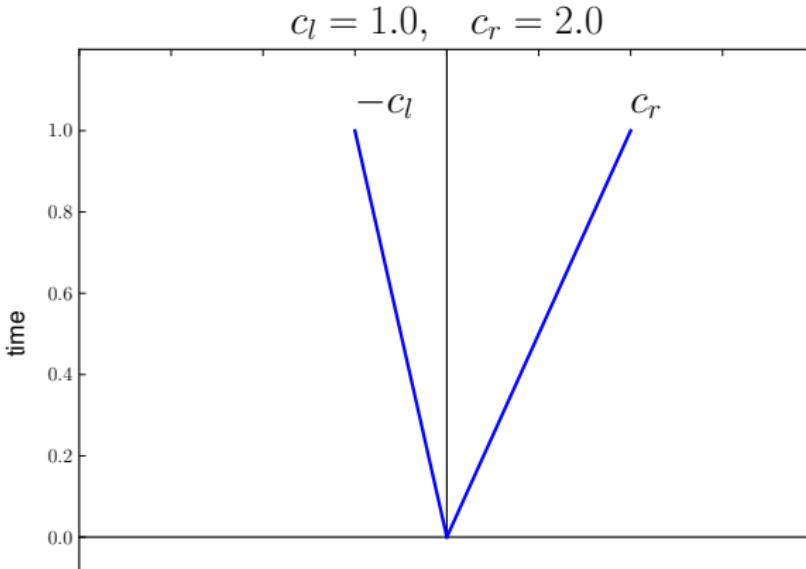
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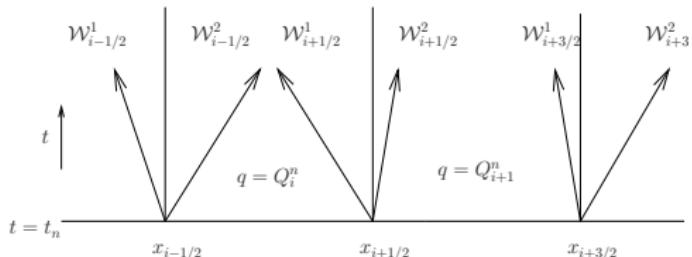
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Godunov's method — variable coefficient acoustics



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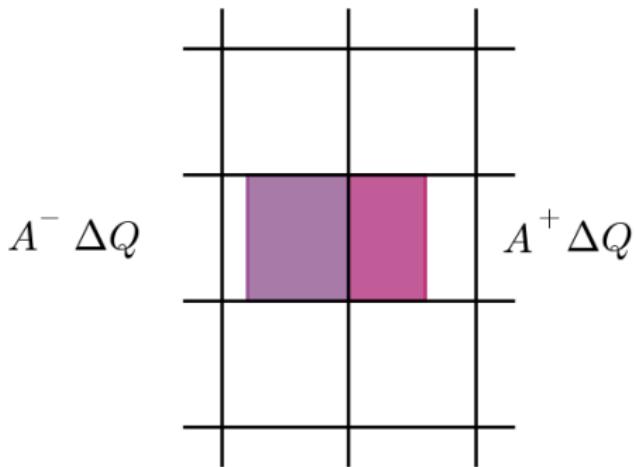
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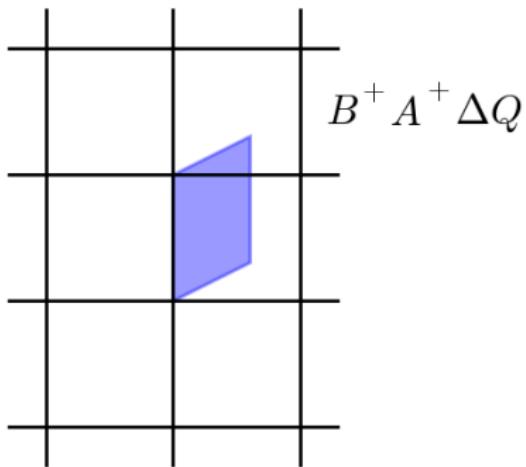
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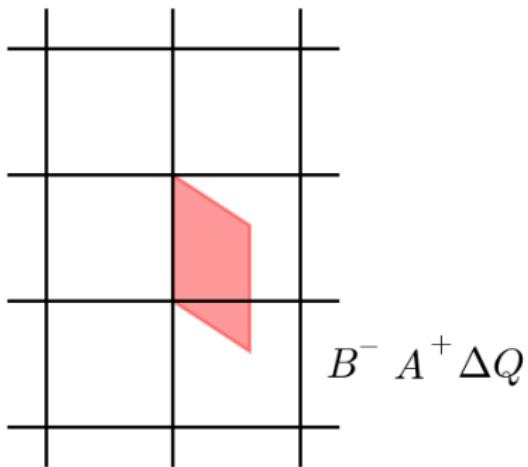
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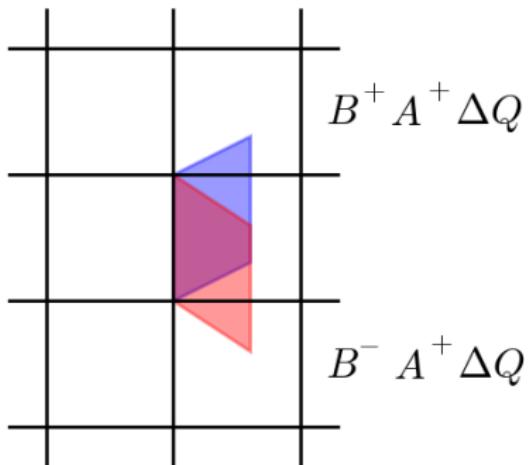
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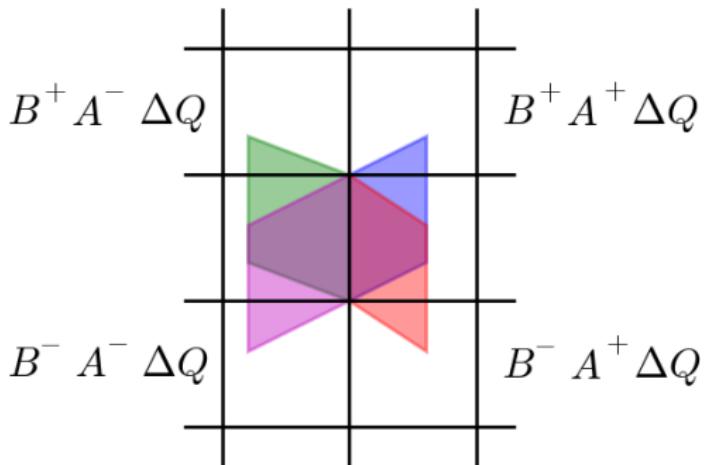
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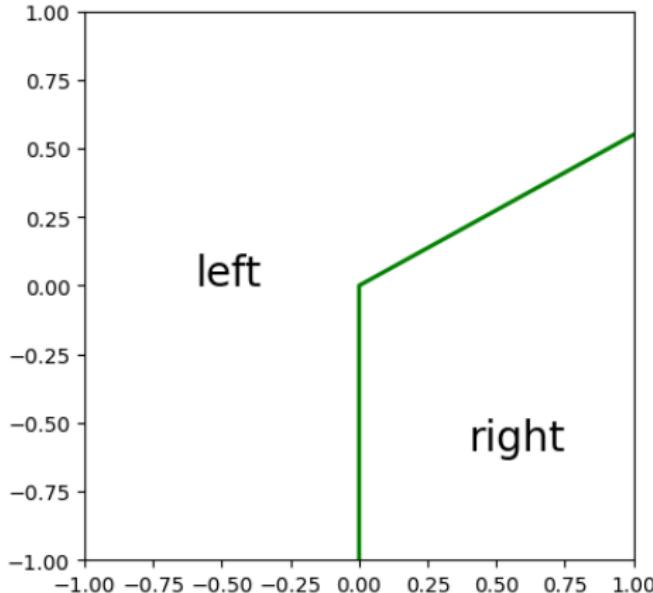
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Then $c_{ij} = \sqrt{K_{ij}/\rho_{ij}}$, $Z_{ij} = \sqrt{K_{ij}\rho_{ij}}$

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Example from Figure 21.1:

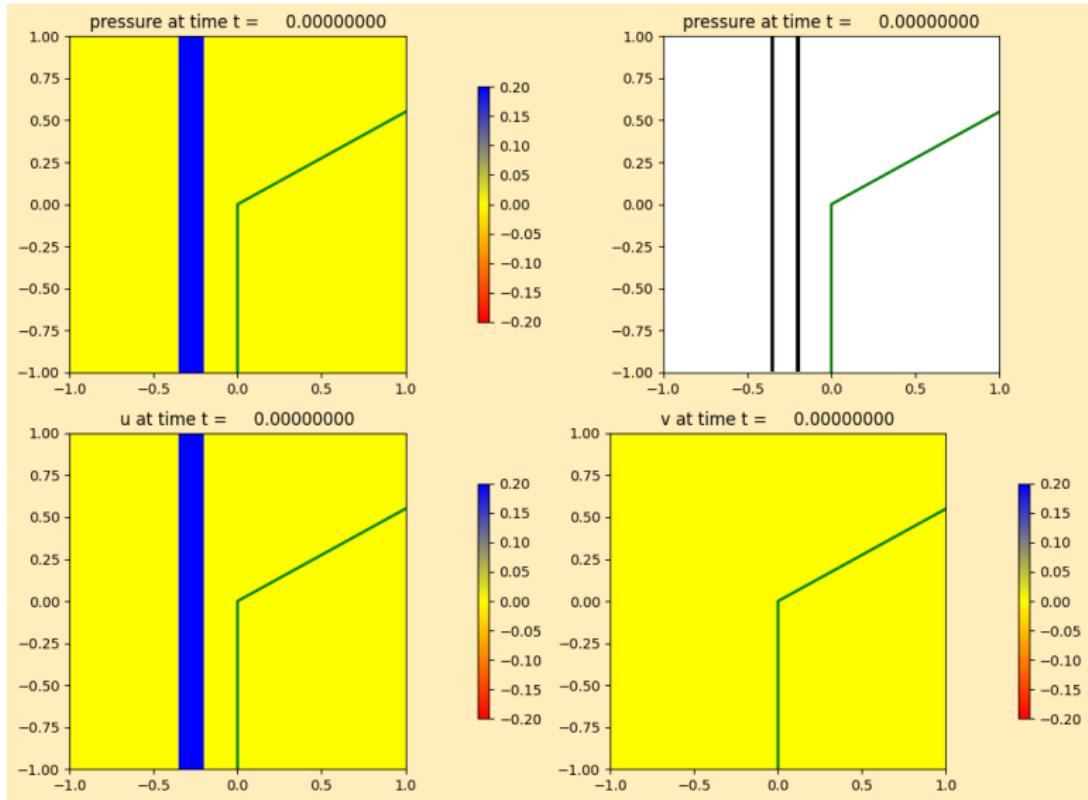


$$\begin{array}{ll} \rho_\ell = 1 & \rho_r = 1 \\ K_\ell = 1 & K_r = 0.25 \\ c_\ell = 1 & c_r = 0.5 \\ Z_\ell = 1 & Z_r = 0.5 \end{array}$$

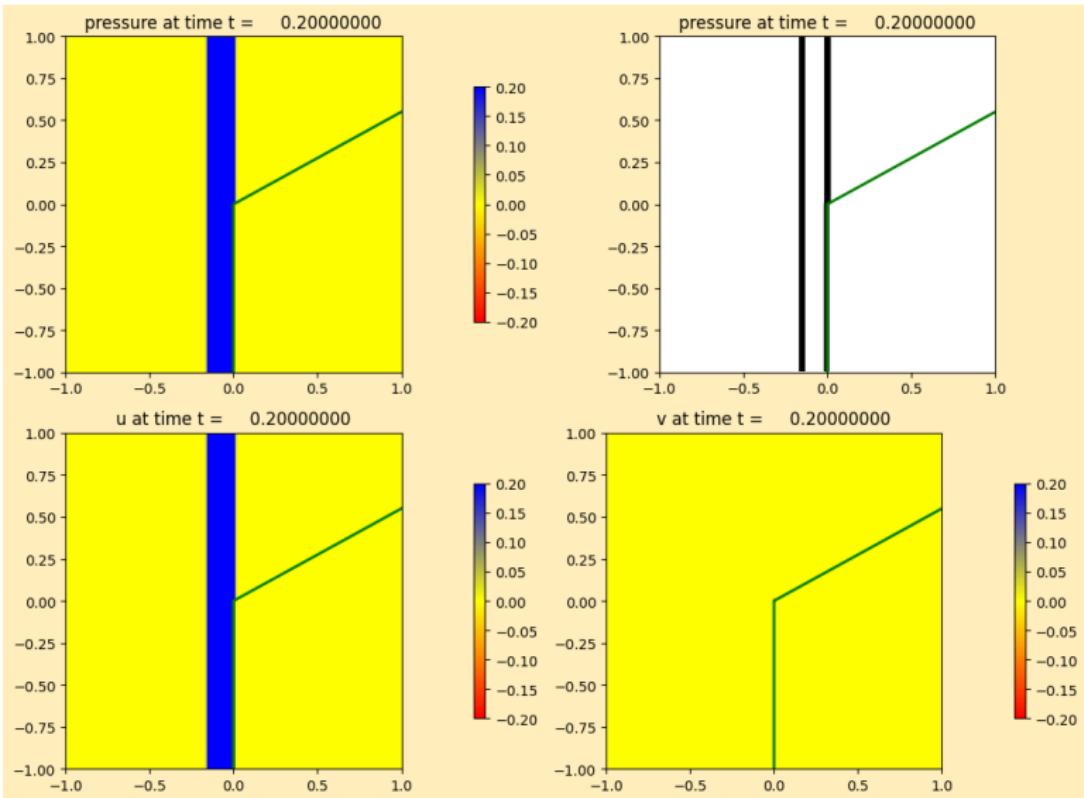
$$\begin{aligned} C_T &= \frac{2Z_r}{Z_\ell + Z_r} \\ &= 2/3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_R &= \frac{Z_r - Z_\ell}{Z_\ell + Z_r} \\ &= -1/3 \end{aligned}$$

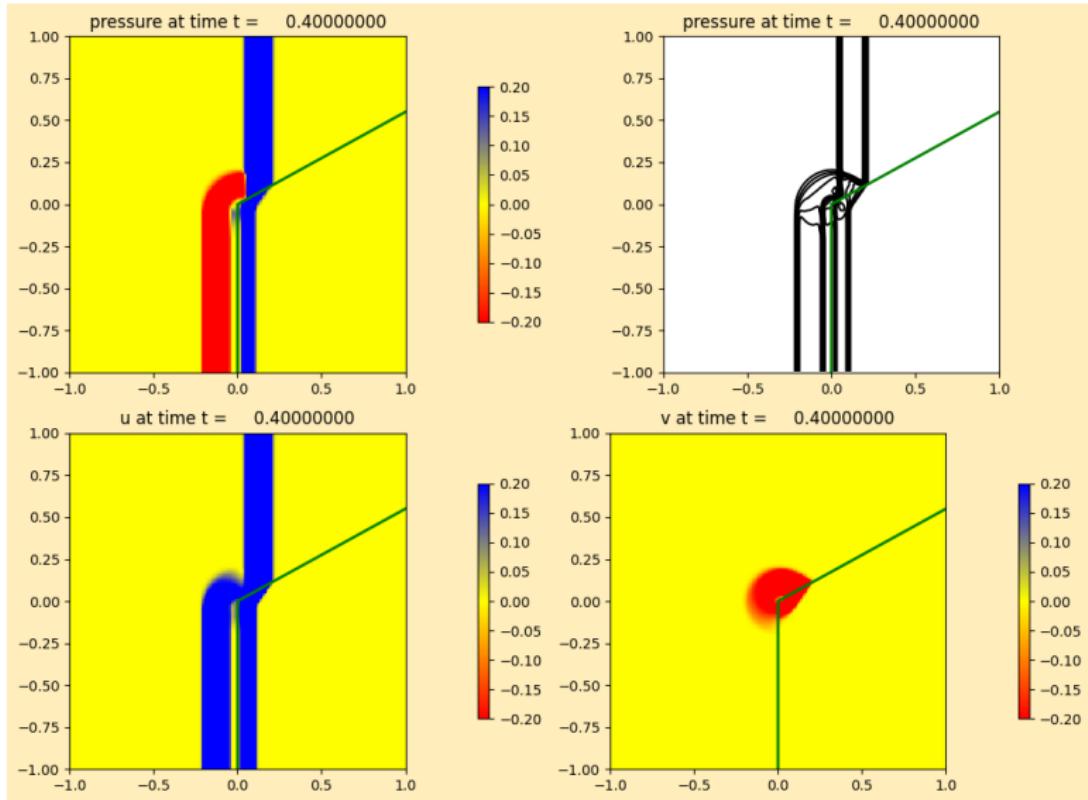
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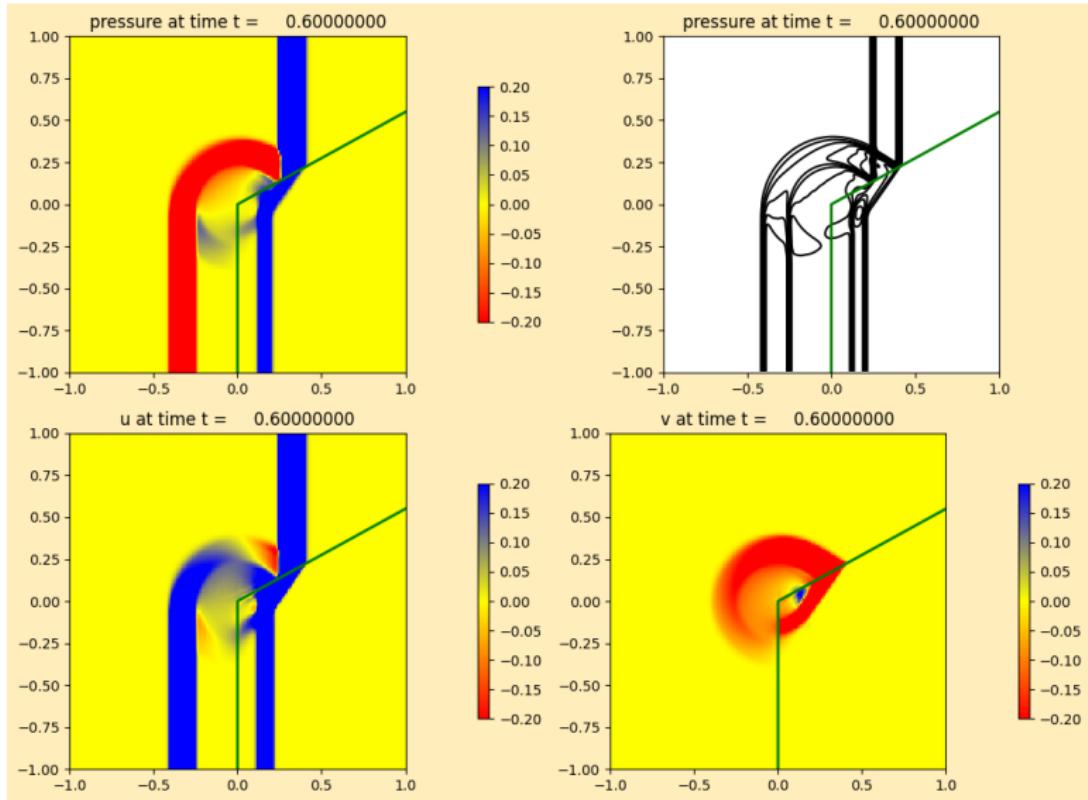
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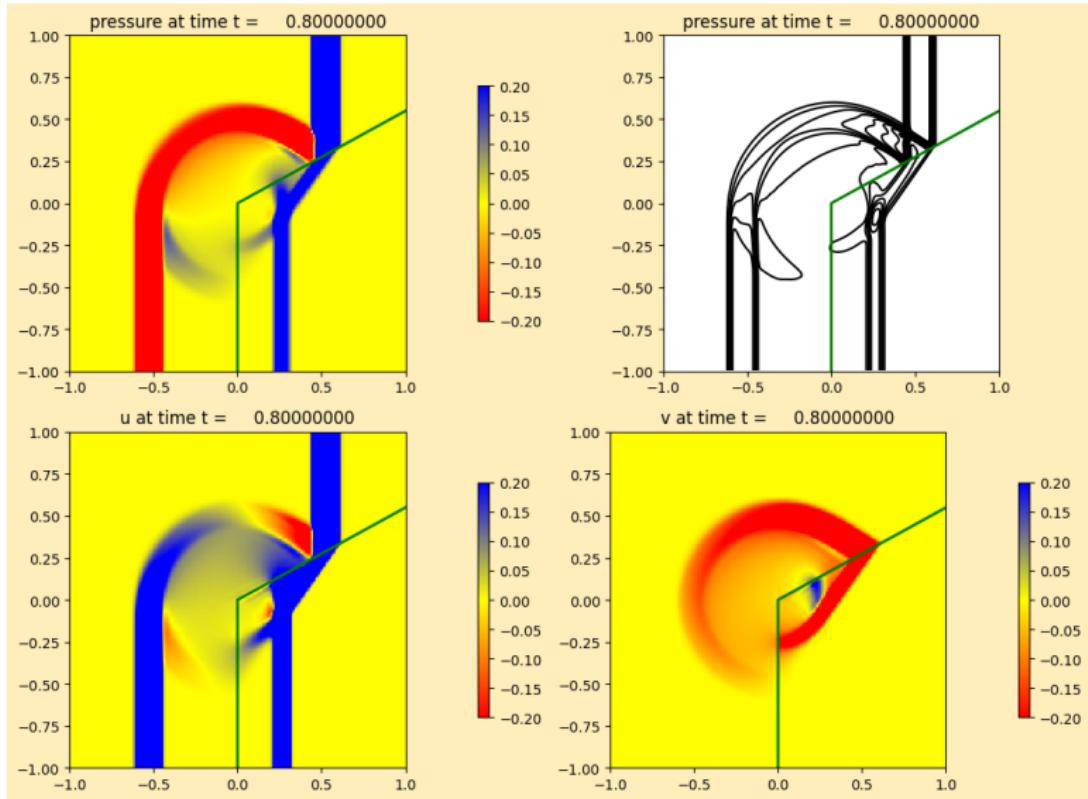
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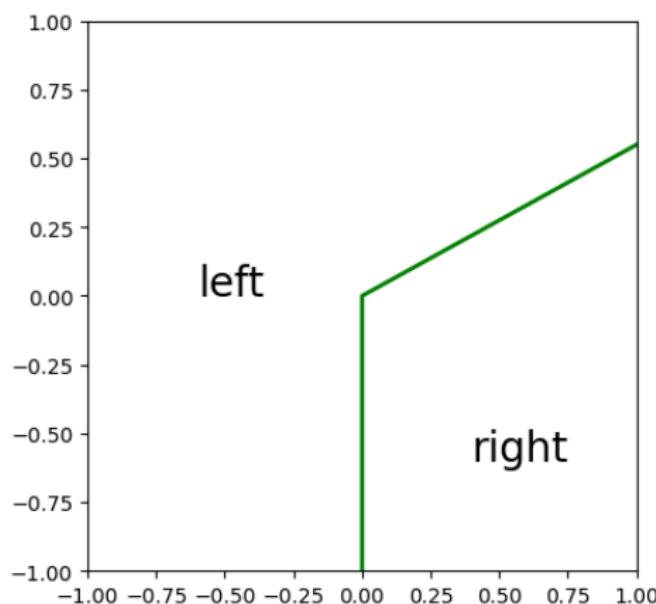


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Acoustic wave hitting an interface in 2D

With nearly-incompressible
material on right (\approx solid wall)



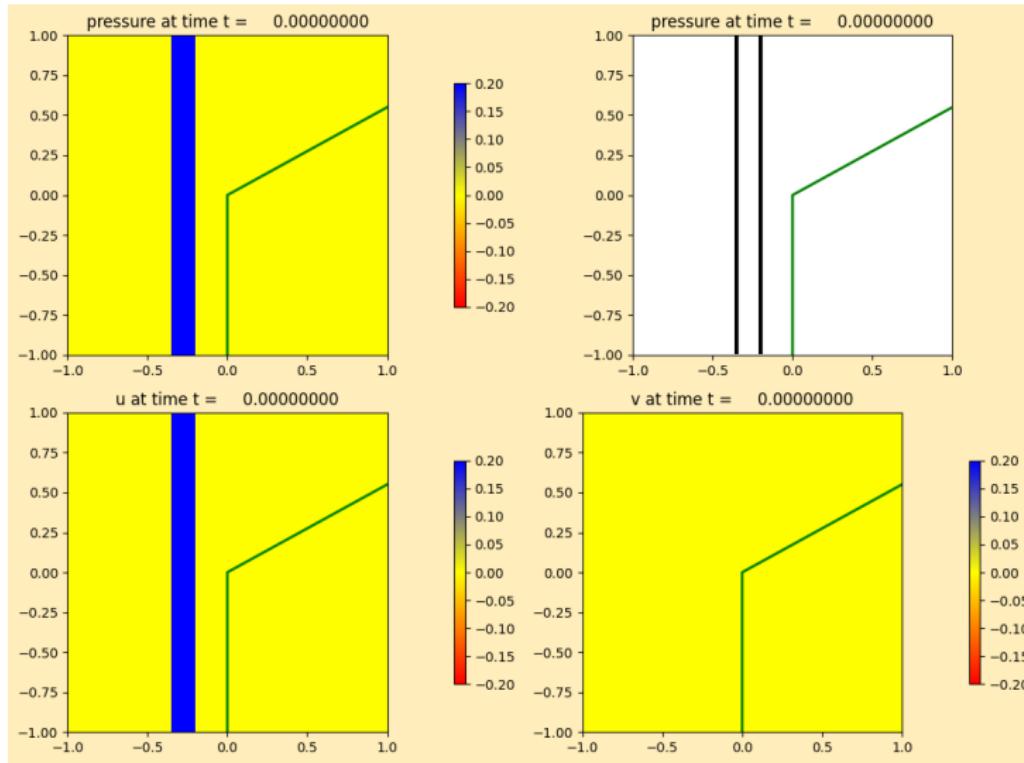
$$\begin{array}{ll} \rho_\ell = 1 & \rho_r = 10^4 \\ K_\ell = 1 & K_r = 10^{-8} \\ c_\ell = 1 & c_r = 10^{-6} \\ Z_\ell = 1 & Z_r = 0.01 \end{array}$$

$$C_T = \frac{2Z_r}{Z_\ell + Z_r} \approx 0.02$$

$$C_R = \frac{Z_r - Z_\ell}{Z_\ell + Z_r} \approx -0.98$$

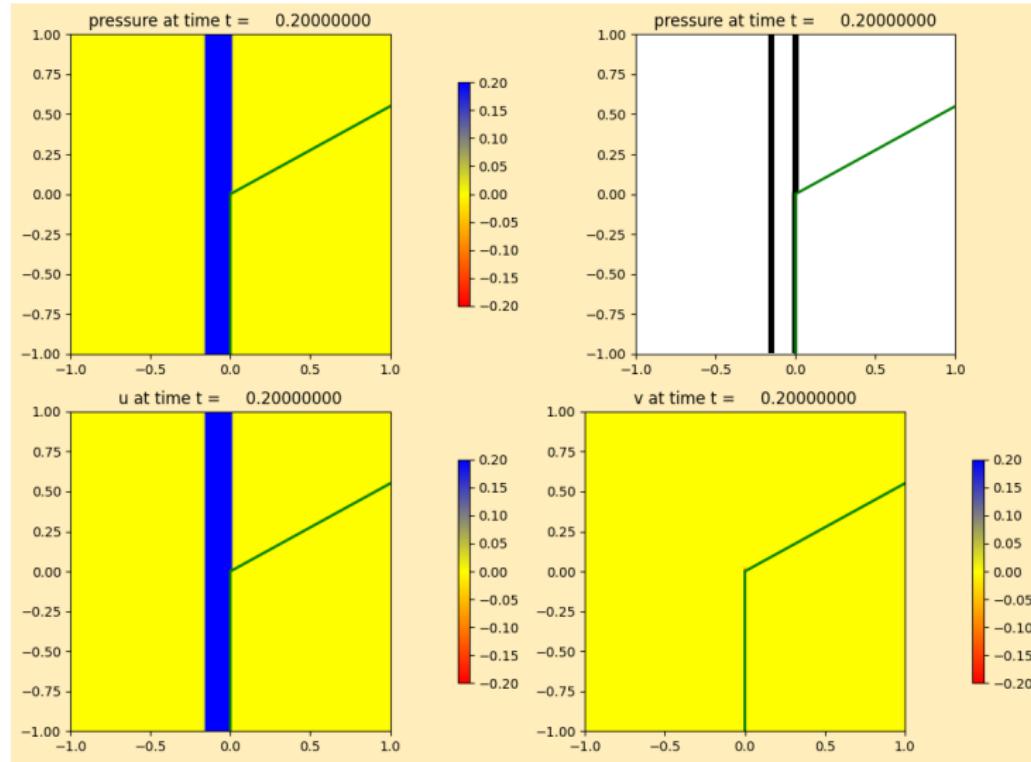
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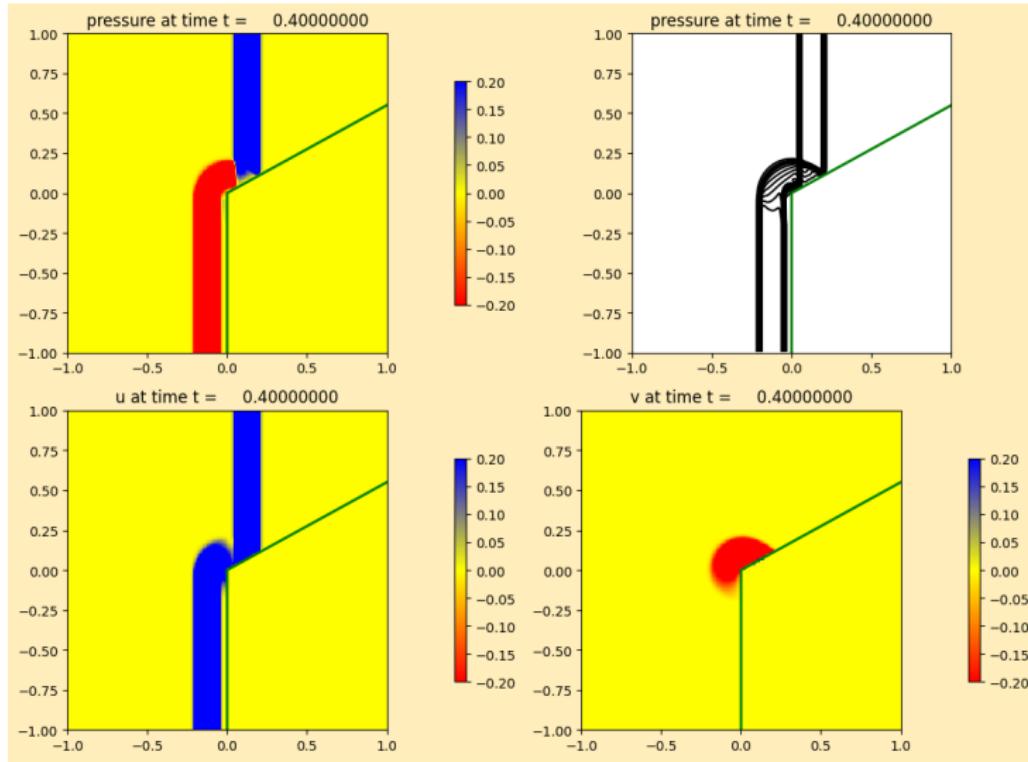
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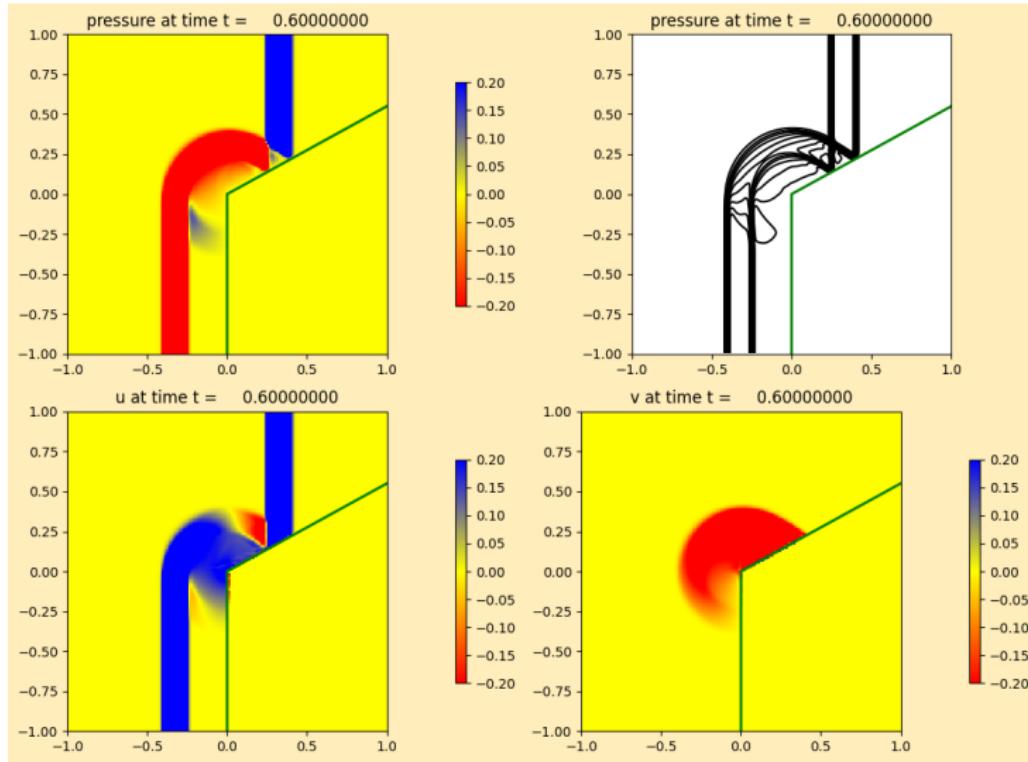
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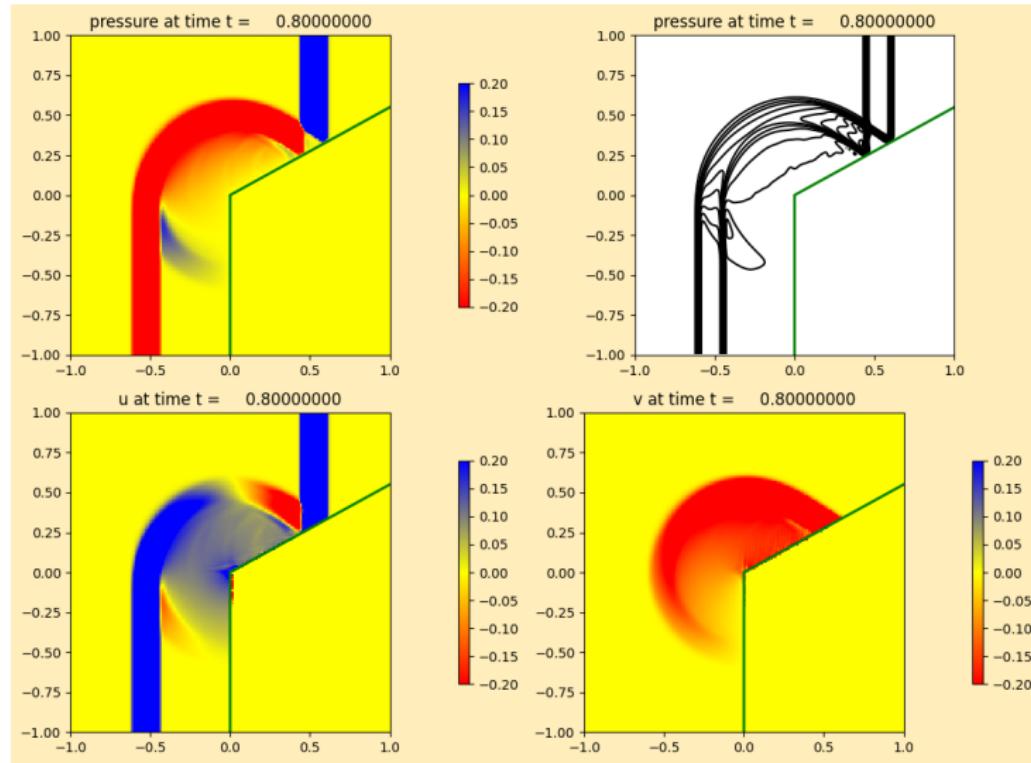
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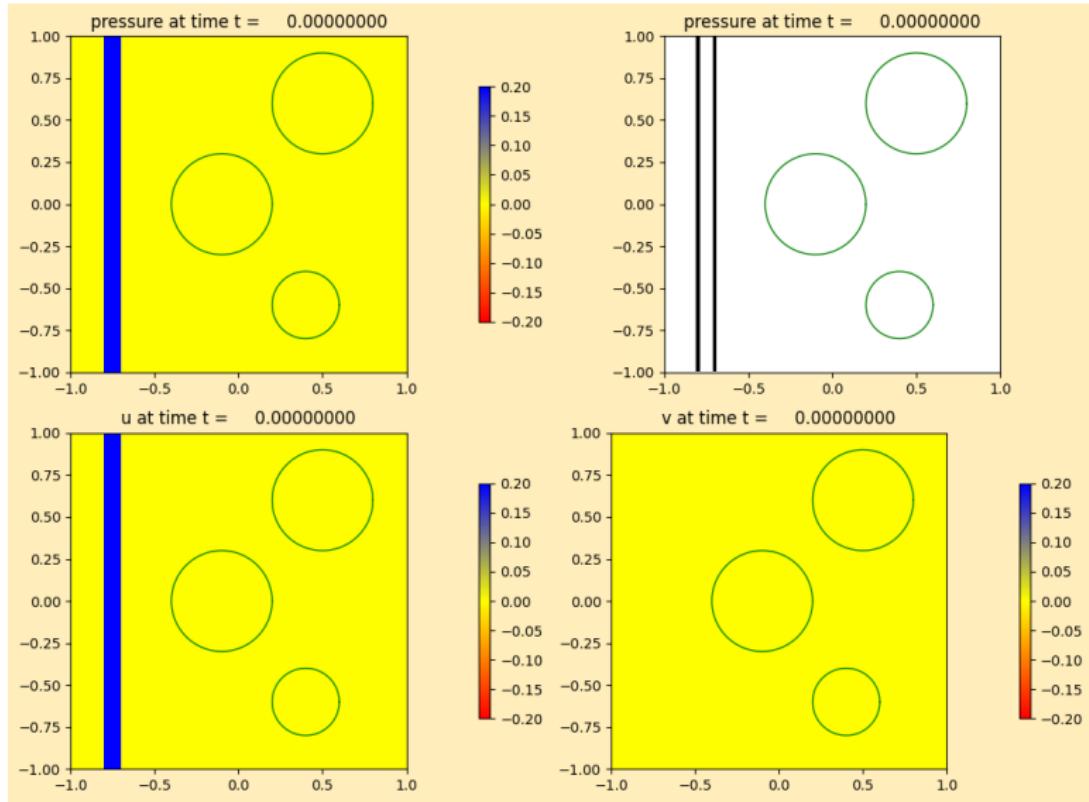


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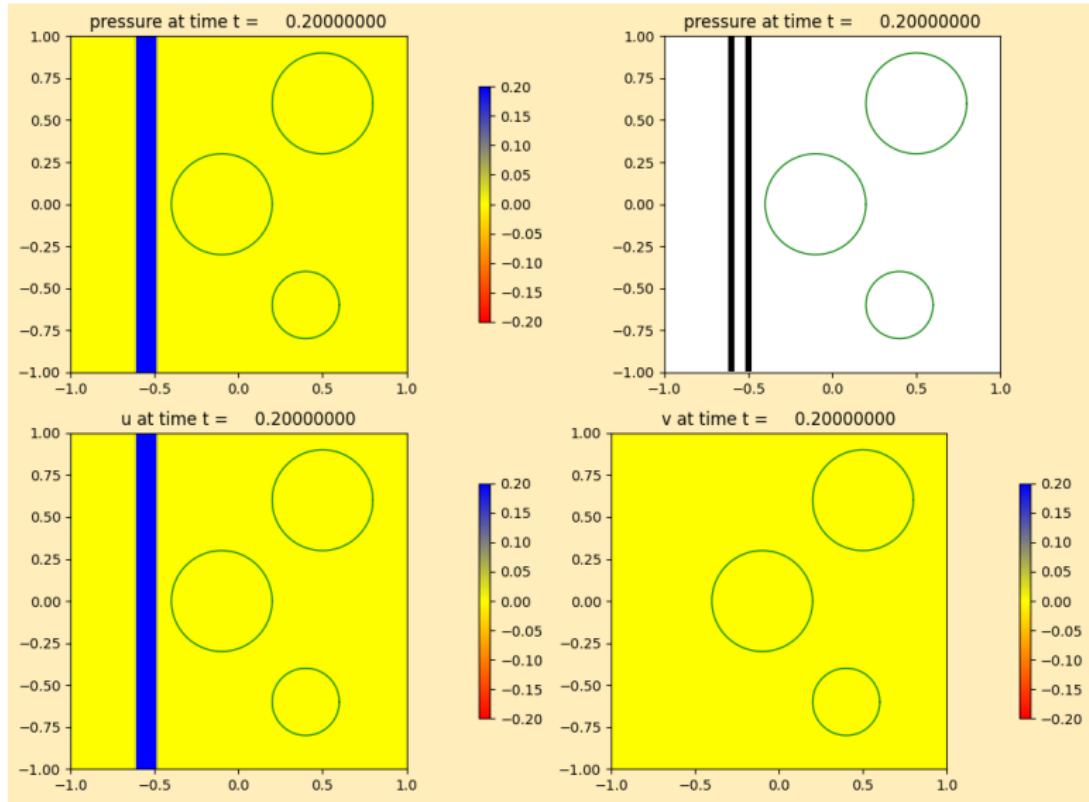
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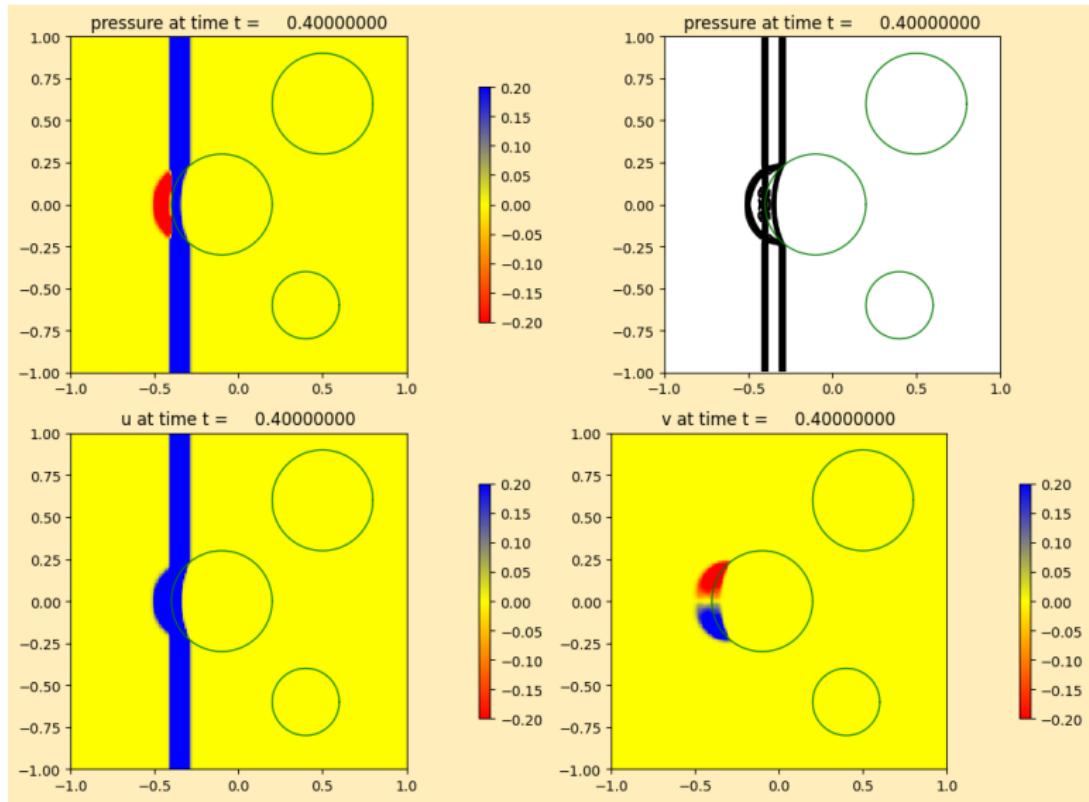
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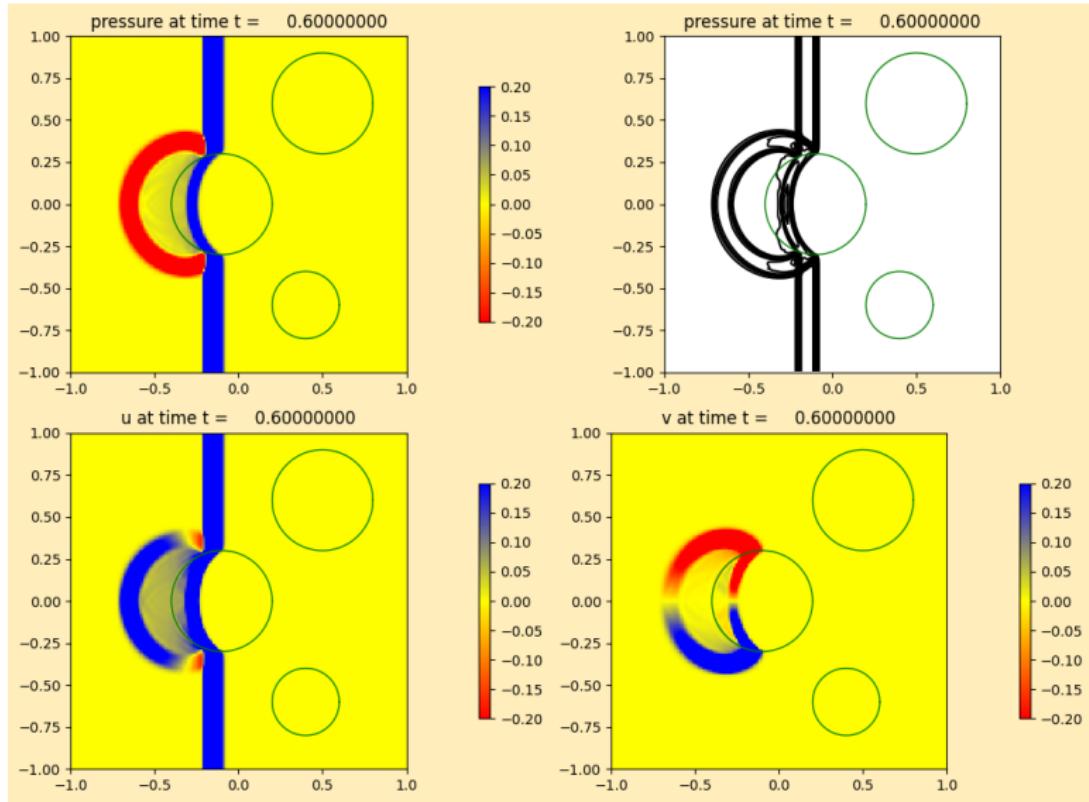
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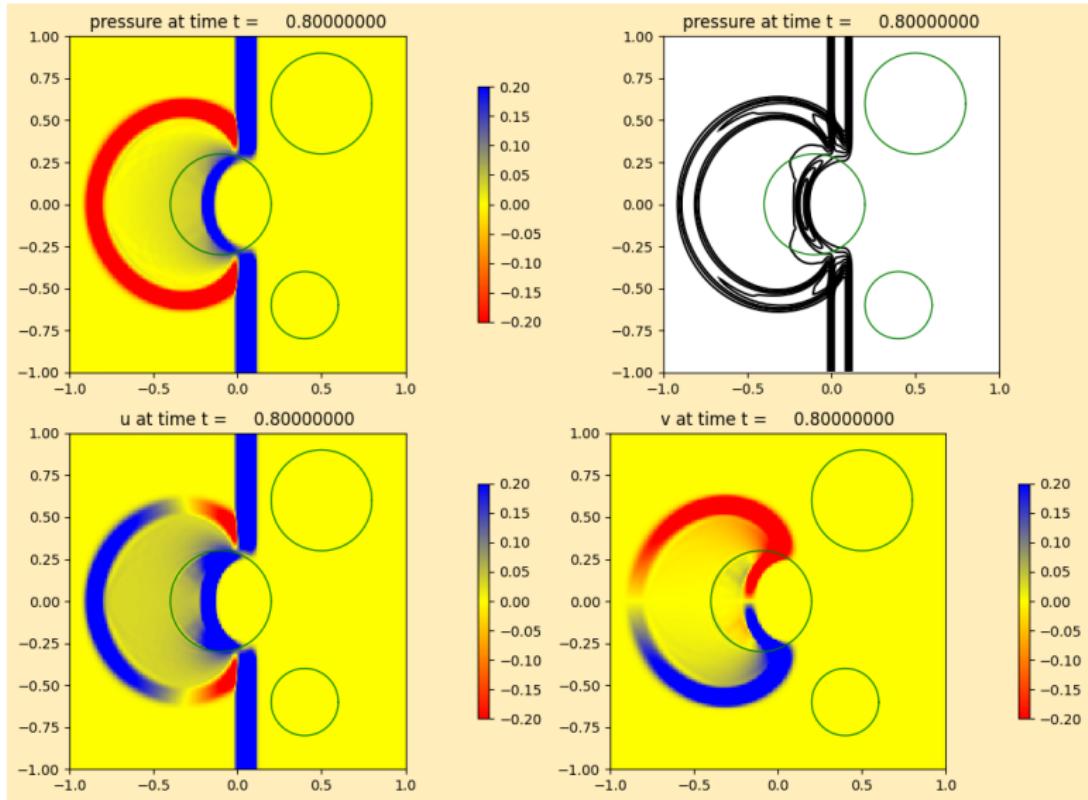
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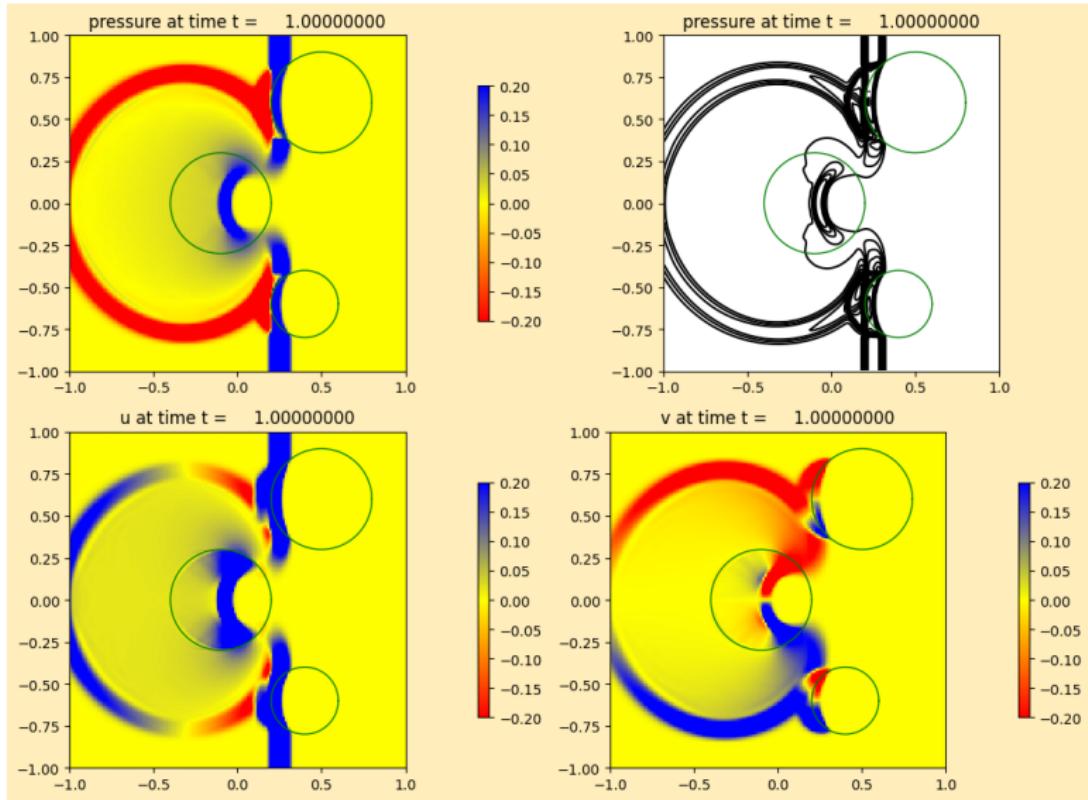
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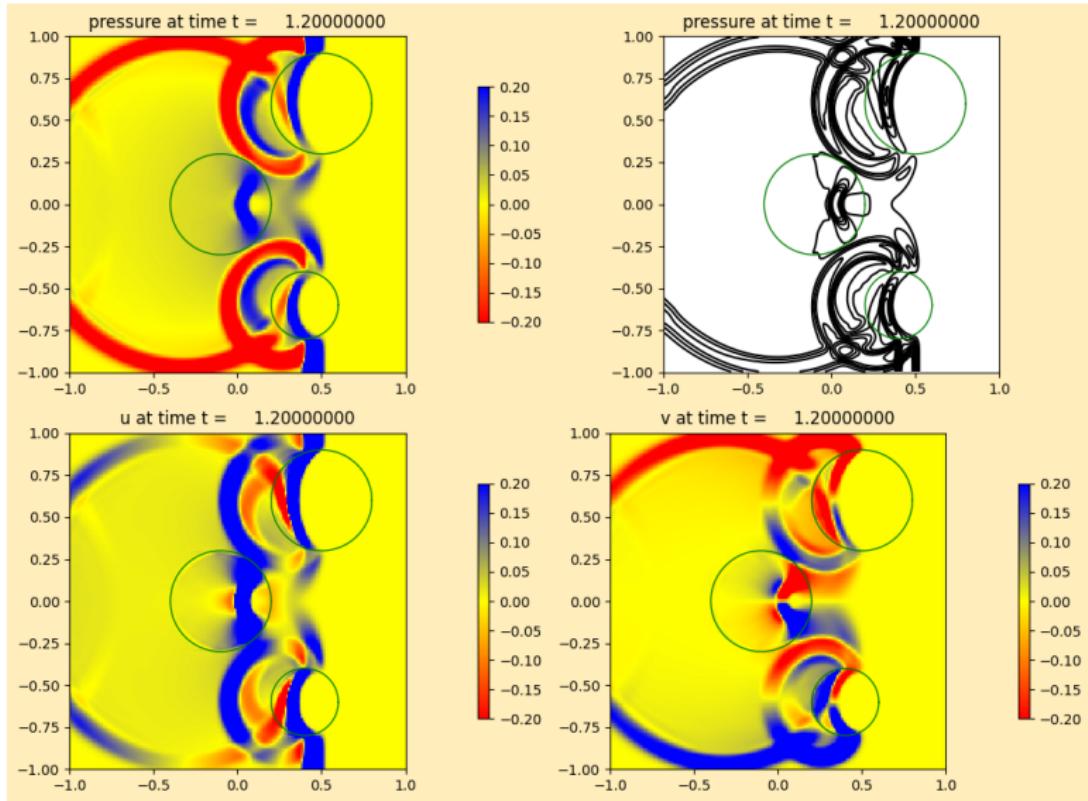
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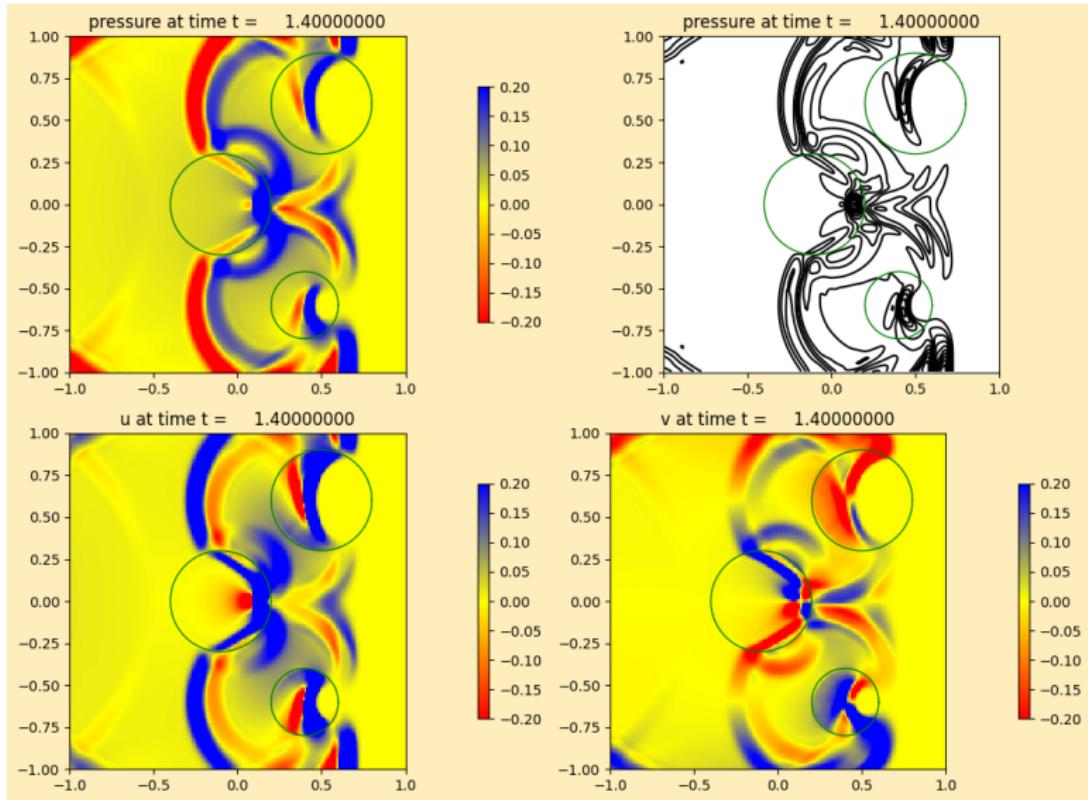
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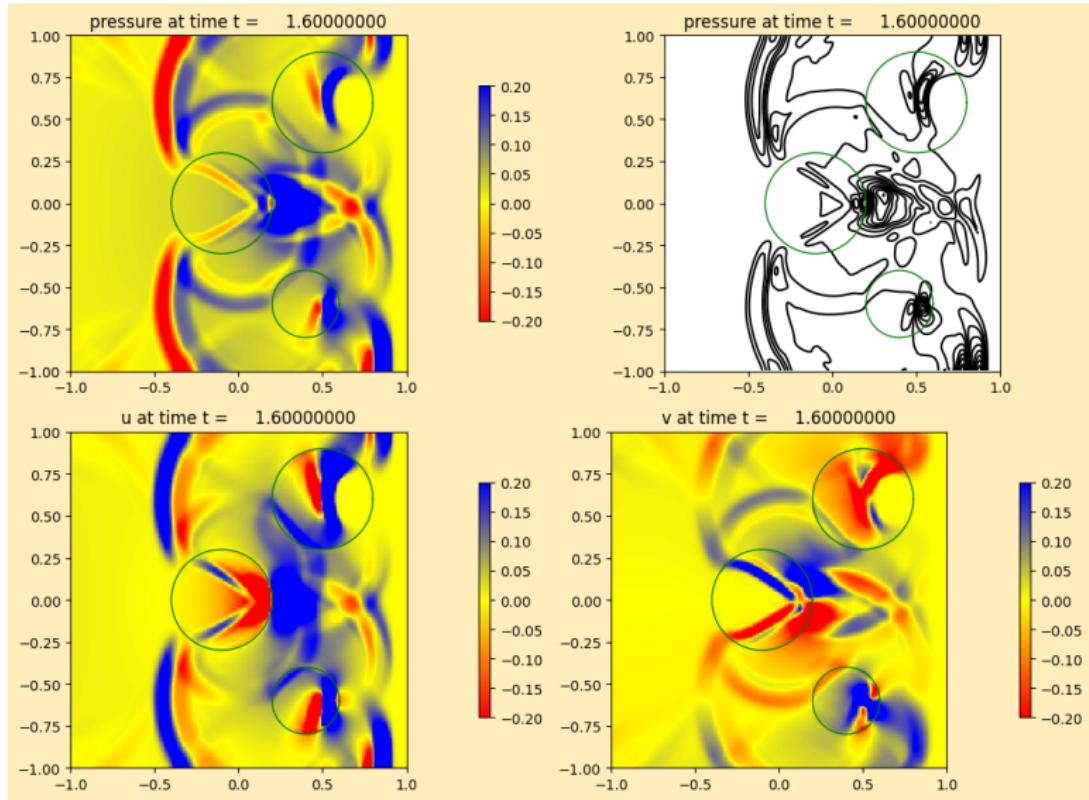
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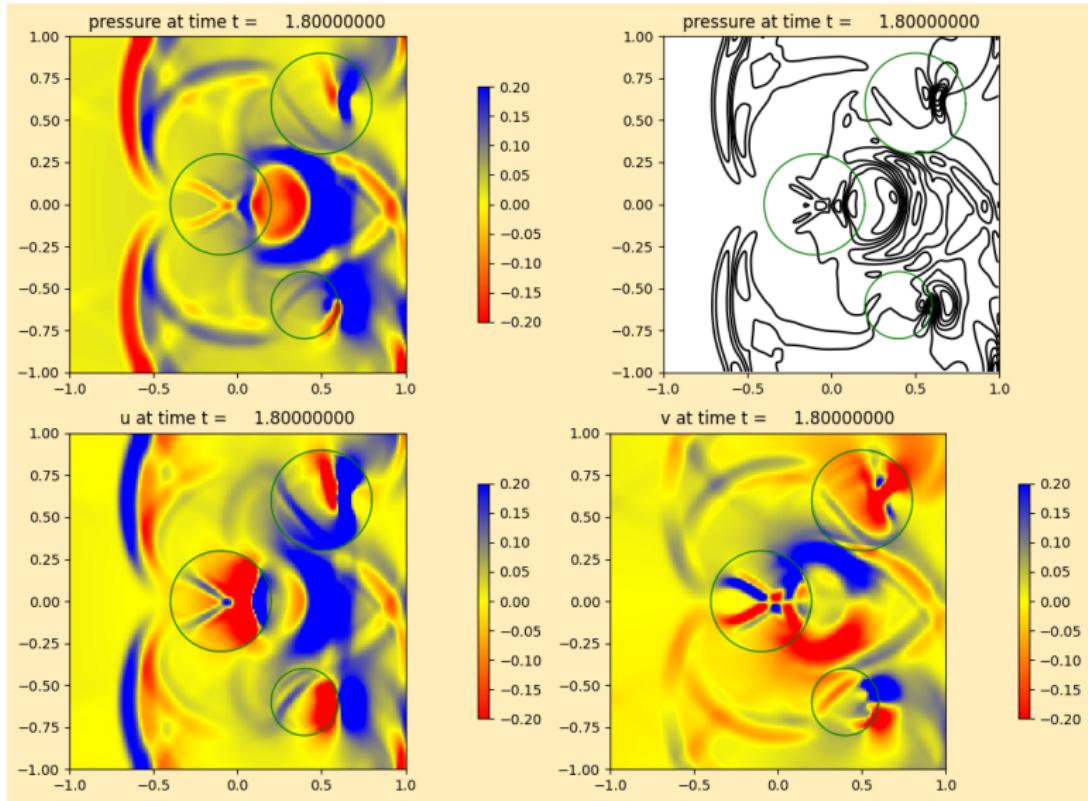
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