

# Assignment - 9

SOD Shock Tube Simulation using SPH

AE - 625  
Particle Methods for Fluid Flow Simulation

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## Problem Setup

The density, pressure, velocity are initialised as  $\begin{pmatrix} \rho_l \\ p_l \\ u_l \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0kg/m^3 \\ 1.0N/m^2 \\ 0.0m/s \end{pmatrix}$  and

$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_r \\ p_r \\ u_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.125kg/m^3 \\ 0.1N/m^2 \\ 0.0m/s \end{pmatrix}$  and  $e = \frac{P}{(\gamma-1)\rho}$ . 320 particles are generated between  $[-0.5, 0)$  and 40 particles between  $(0, 0.5]$ .  $h$  is taken as  $2\Delta x_r$  which is 0.025 and it is kept constant throughout the problem. Mass =  $\rho_l \Delta x_l = \rho_r \Delta x_r = 0.0015625$  which is same for all the particles and is also kept constant throughout the problem.

## Equation

The density is changed in each time step using summation density which is

$$\rho_i = \sum_{j \in G(i)} m W_j[2] \quad (1)$$

Where  $G(i)$  is the  $[x_i-2h, x_i+2h]$  neighbourhood of  $i$  where the kernel function is not 0.  $W$  is the kernel function. Cubic Spline kernel function is used in this problem as it was found to be the better kernel function from the previous assignment. The velocity is propagated using the formula

$$\frac{dv_i}{dt} = - \sum_{j \in G(i)} m \left( \frac{p_i}{\rho_i^2} + \frac{p_j}{\rho_j^2} + \pi_{ij} \right) \Delta W_j[2] \quad (2)$$

where  $\Delta W_j$  is the derivative of the Cubic Spline function.  $\pi_{ij}$  is the artificial viscosity function which is used if the particles  $i$  and  $j$  are approaching each other i.e, if  $(v_i - v_j)(x_i - x_j) < 0$

$$\pi_{ij} = \frac{-\alpha \tilde{c}_{ij} \mu_{ij} + \beta \mu_{ij}^2}{\tilde{\rho}_{ij}}[2]$$

$$\mu_{ij} = \frac{h(v_i - v_j)(x_i - x_j)}{|x_i - x_j|^2 + \eta^2}$$

Where  $\tilde{c}_{ij}$  is the average speed of the sound of particles i and j,  $\tilde{\rho}_{ij}$  is the average of the densities of particles i and j and  $\eta = 0.1h$  [1]

The energy is propagated using

$$\frac{de_i}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \in G(i)} m \left( \frac{p_i}{\rho_i^2} + \frac{p_j}{\rho_j^2} + \pi_{ij} \right) \Delta W_j [2] \quad (3)$$

Position of the particle is changed using the equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx_i}{dt} &= v_i + x_{sph} \\ x_{sph} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \in G(i)} m(v_j - v_i) W_j / \tilde{\rho}_{ij} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Pressure is found by using the formula

$$P = (\gamma - 1) \rho e \quad (5)$$

Euler integrator is used for integration.  $dt = 0.0001$  and total time of 0.2s is used for the problem

Exact solution is found out by solving the analytical solution available for the SOD shock tube case. [3]

# Results

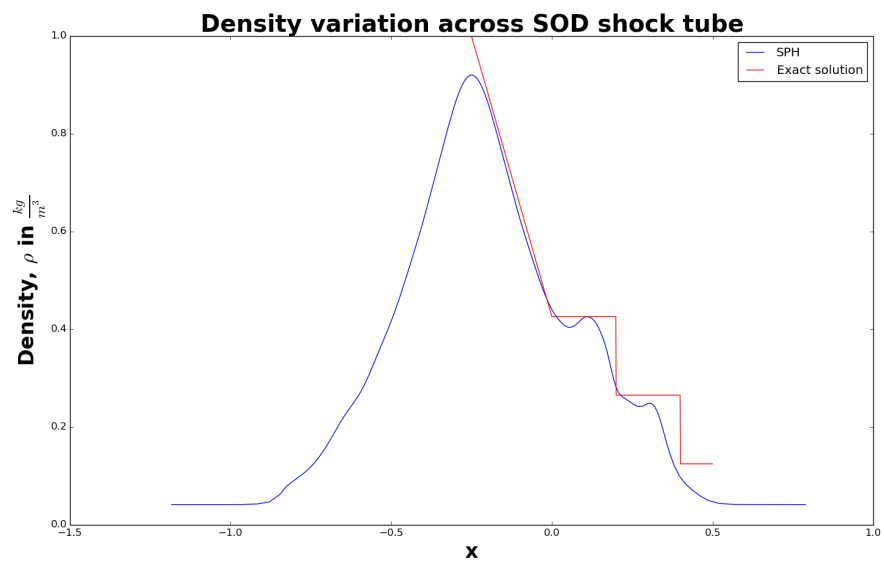


Figure 1: Density Variation across the shock tube

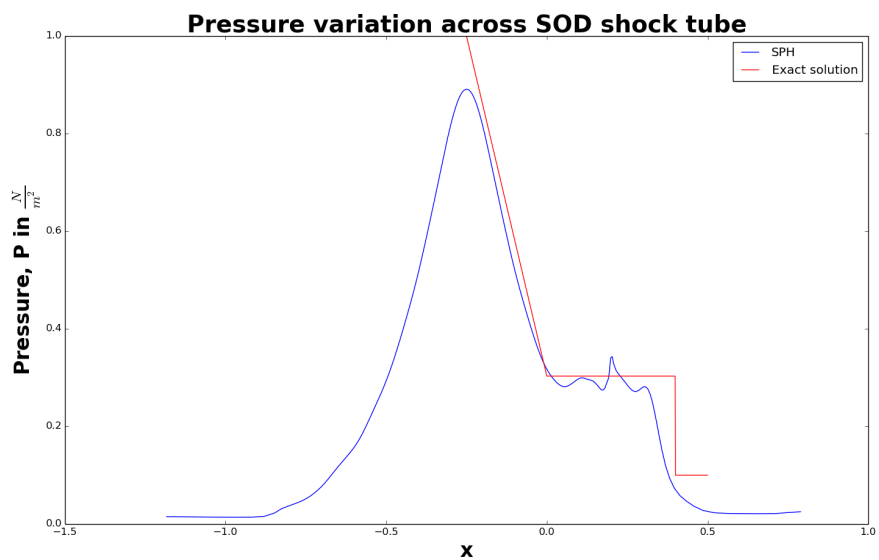


Figure 2: Pressure Variation across the shock tube

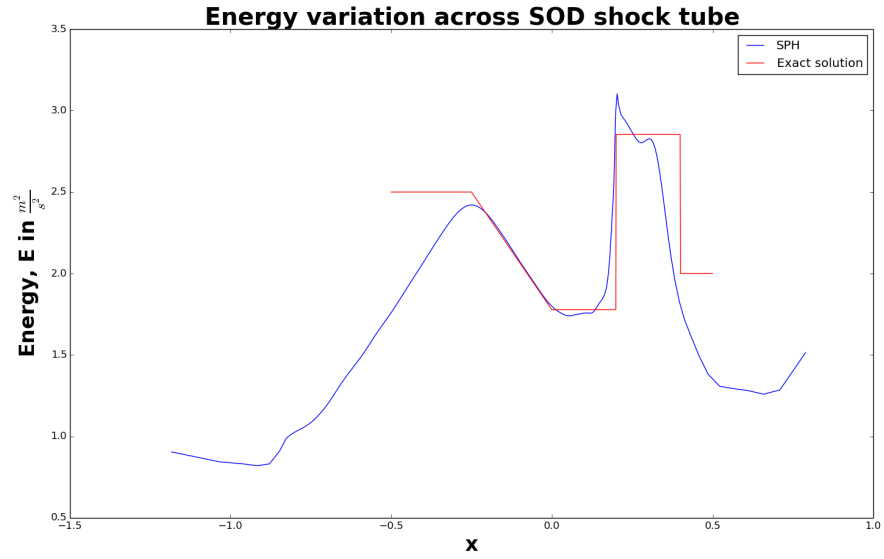


Figure 3: Energy Variation across the shock tube

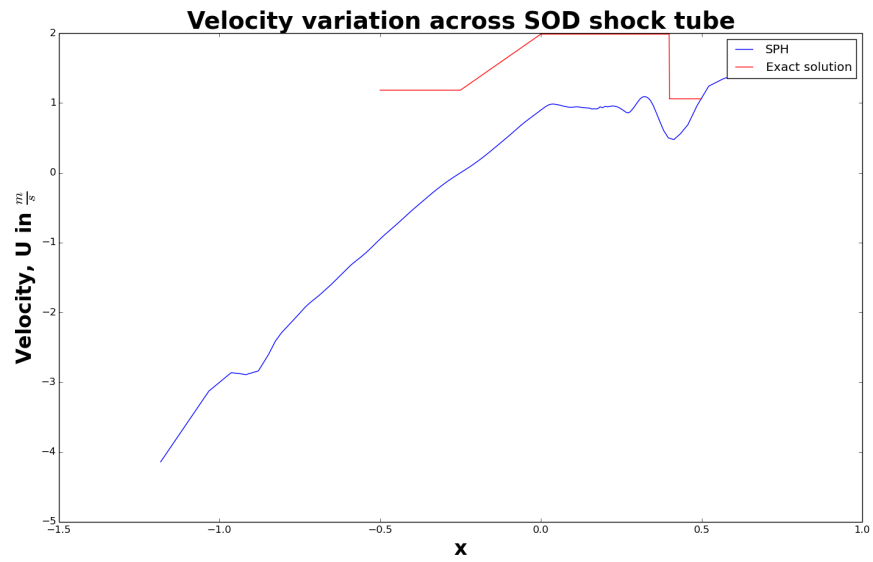


Figure 4: Velocity Variation across the shock tube

## Conclusions

- Summation density is used to find the density in each time step instead of finding the SPH approximation for the derivative of the density which resulted in blowing up. This maybe because the number of particles are not enough.
- To find  $\frac{dx}{dt}$  on the right hand side  $x_{sph}$  is added to  $v$  directly instead of writing SPH approximation for  $v$  because writing SPH approximation was resulted in discontinuity. This too maybe because of insufficient particles.
- The SPH approximation of the variables density, pressure, velocity and energy agree with the exact solution except at the boundaries where SPH approximation was found to fail from the previous assignment.

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