

# 1h. ASTRO. - Waves, Instabilities and Shocks

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- Sound waves: isothermal, equilibrium, no gravity

perturbation of Euler equations in  $\rho = \rho_0 + \delta\rho$  and  $v = 0 + \delta v$   
(only keep linear terms)

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta\rho) + \rho_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\delta v) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta v) + \frac{a^2}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\delta\rho) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}(\delta\rho) - a^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(\delta\rho) = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

Wave equation

linearized 1D Euler equations

↳ plane wave ansatz :  $\omega^2 = a^2 k^2$  Dispersion relation  
 $(\rho = \Delta\rho \cdot e^{i(kx - \omega t)})$

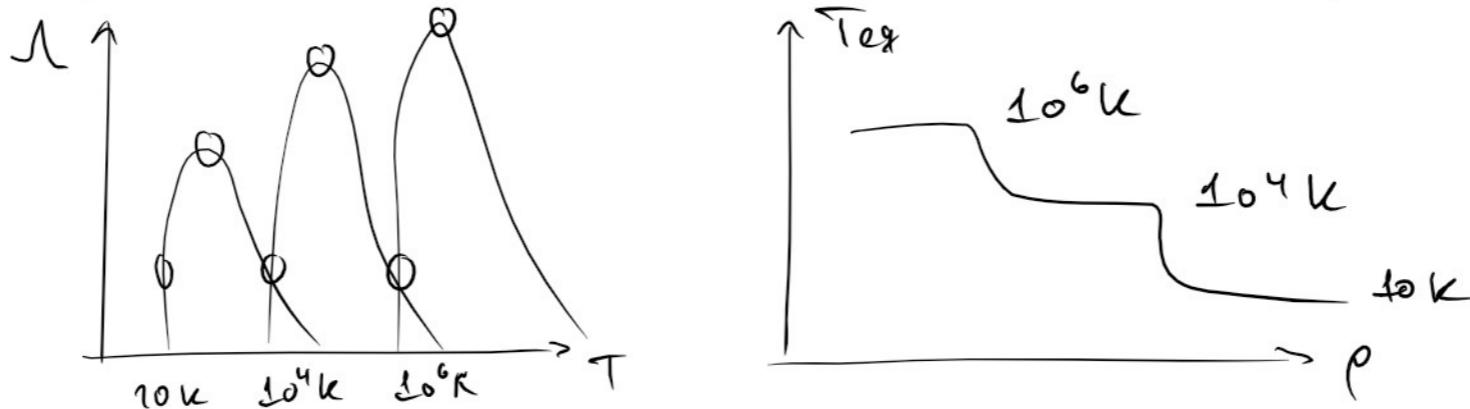
↳ plane wave for velocity :  $\frac{\Delta v}{a} = \pm \frac{\Delta \rho}{\rho_0}$  perturbation condition  
 $(\Delta v \ll a, \Delta \rho \ll \rho_0)$

- Thermal instability:

Goldstone

$$dQ - n_H^2 f(T) e^{-\frac{E_B}{k_B T}} = n_H^2 \Lambda(T)$$

• Cooling function:  $\left| \frac{d\langle U \rangle}{dt} = n_e^2 f(T) e^{-k_B T} \equiv n_e^2 \Lambda(T) \right|$



• use  $P(\rho) = \rho \frac{k_B T_{\text{erg}}}{m}$  instead of isothermal

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (\partial \rho) - \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (\partial \rho) = 0$$

↳ plane wave ansatz:  $\omega^2 - \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} k^2 = 0$

1)  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} > 0$ :  $c_s = \sqrt{\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}}$

2)  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} < 0$ :  $\partial \rho = \Delta \rho \cdot e^{ikz} e^{\pm \gamma t}$  with  $\gamma > 0$   
unstable! exponential growth

- Jeans instability: isothermal, equilibrium, self-gravity

Jeans swindle:  $\Delta\phi = 4\pi G(\rho - \rho_0)$  to find equilibrium

perturbation of Euler equations in  $\rho = \rho_0 + \delta\rho$ ,  $v = \delta v$ ,  $\phi = \delta\phi$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(\delta\phi) = 4\pi G \delta\rho$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta\rho) + \rho_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\delta v) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\delta v) + \frac{a^2}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\delta\rho) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\delta\phi)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}(\delta\rho) - a^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(\delta\rho) - 4\pi G \rho_0 \delta\rho = 0$$

↳ plane wave ansatz:  $\omega^2 = a^2 k^2 - 4\pi G \rho_0$

↳  $k_J^2 = \frac{4\pi G \rho_0}{a^2}$

and  $\lambda_J = \frac{a^4}{8\pi G^2 \rho_0^2} = \frac{2\pi}{k_J}$

1)  $k > k_J$ : Stable sound waves

2)  $k < k_J$ : Jeans instability (amplitude grows exponentially)

$$(\delta\rho = \Delta\rho e^{ikx} \cdot e^{\pm i\omega t})$$

$$\lambda_J = a \cdot t_{ff}$$

with  $t_{ff} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi G \rho_0}}$

## • Shock waves:

Burgers equation:

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 0$$

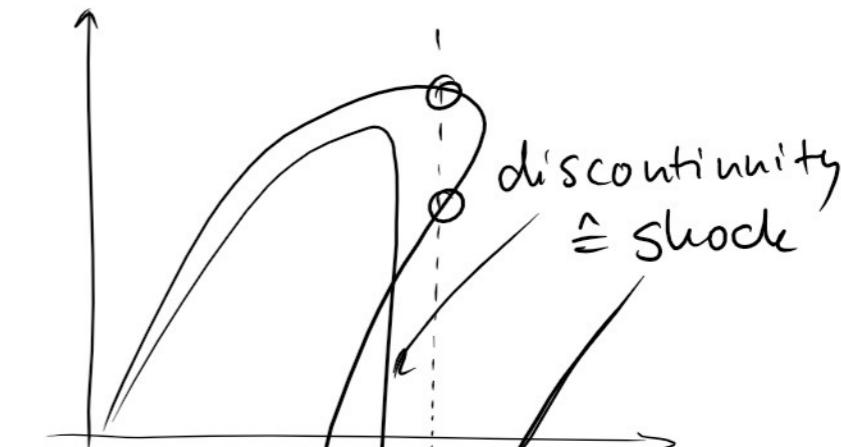
(from  $\alpha(t) \equiv v(x(t), t) = \frac{dx}{dt} \Rightarrow \dot{\alpha}(t) = 0$  : Burgers equation)

initial condition:  $v(x,t) = v_0 [x - vt]$

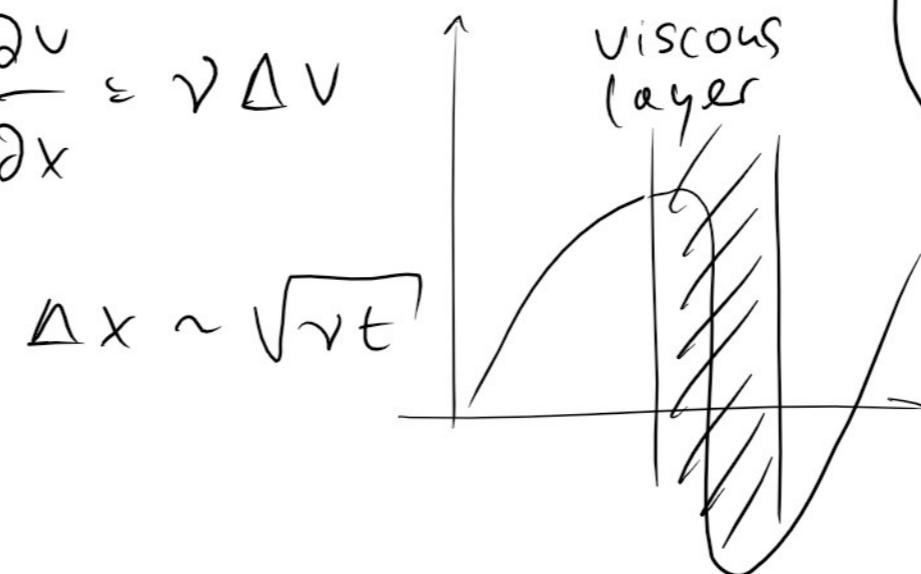
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = -v \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial t} \frac{1 + t \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial x}}{1 + t}$$

Singularity at

$$t = -\left(\frac{\partial v_0}{\partial x}\right)^{-1}$$



↳ viscosity solution:  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \approx \nu \Delta v$



• Rankine-Hugoniot:

$$\bar{u} = [\rho, \rho v, E]; \quad \bar{f} = [\rho v, \rho v^2 + P, (E + P)v]$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \bar{f}}{\partial x} = 0$$

conservation  
laws

$$\bar{u} \quad \bar{f} \quad S(-)$$

Rankine - Hugoniot :

(zoom box trick to  
make box infinites.  
uniform )

$$\tilde{F}_R - \tilde{F}_L = S(\bar{u}_R - \bar{u}_L)$$

$$\text{with } S = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$

1) Burgers equation:  $\bar{u} = [v]$  ;  $\tilde{F} = \left[ \frac{v^2}{2} \right]$  ;  $S = \frac{v_L - v_R}{2}$

2) isothermal Euler's equation:  $\bar{u} = [\rho, \rho v]$  ;  $\tilde{F} = [\rho v, \rho v^2 + \rho a^2]$

↳ working in shocks frame: Compression ratio:  $\sigma = \frac{\rho_L}{\rho_R}$

$$v_L = \frac{M}{r} + S$$

$$\text{Mach number: } M = \frac{w_R}{a} = \frac{v_R - S}{a}$$

3) adiabatic Euler equation:  $\bar{u} = [\rho, \rho v, E]$  ;  $\tilde{F} = [\rho v, \rho v^2 + P, (E + P)v]$   
(s work in shocks frame)

$$V_L = \frac{2}{\gamma+1} S$$

- isothermal vs. adiabatic

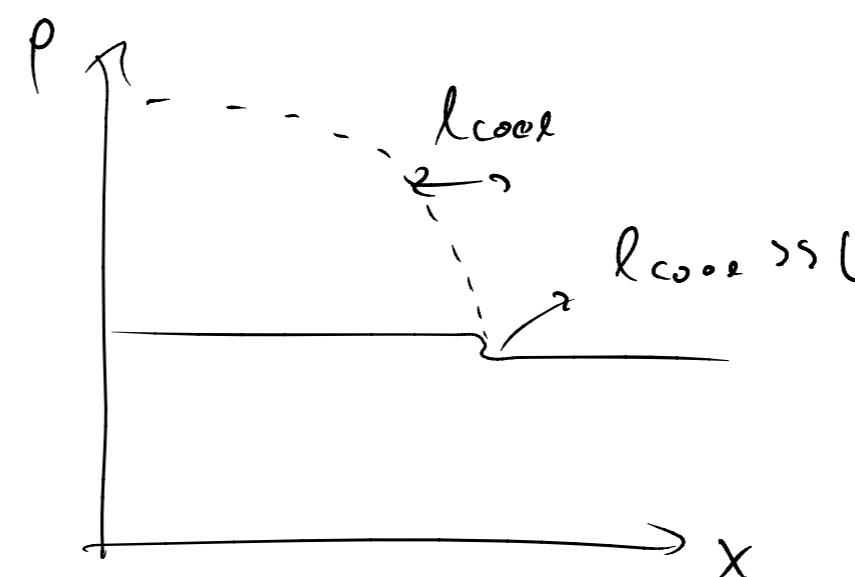
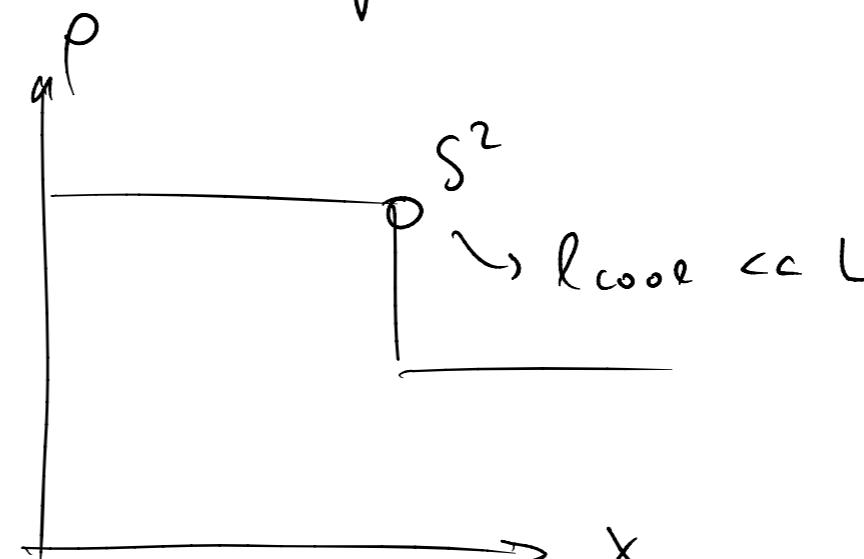
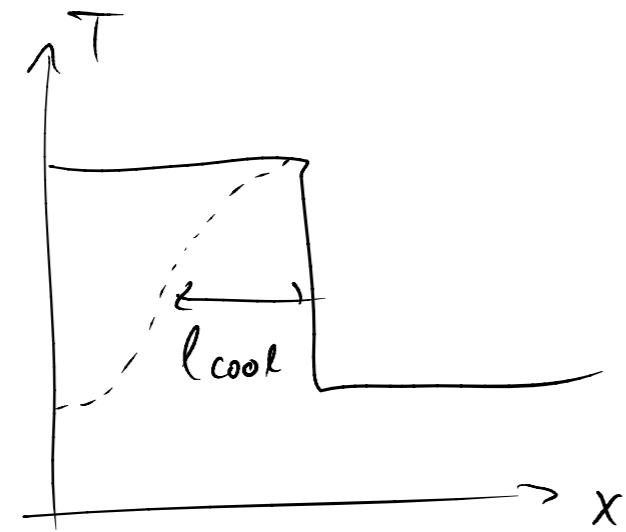
Boltzmann gas  $\rightarrow$  shock in temperature

isothermal gas  $\rightarrow$  shock in density

isothermal



adiabatic



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• Shocks in spherical cow model:

moving shock front (spherical) :  $S = \dot{R}(t)$

↳ Rankine-Hugoniot :  $v_s = \frac{2}{\gamma+1} \dot{R}(t)$

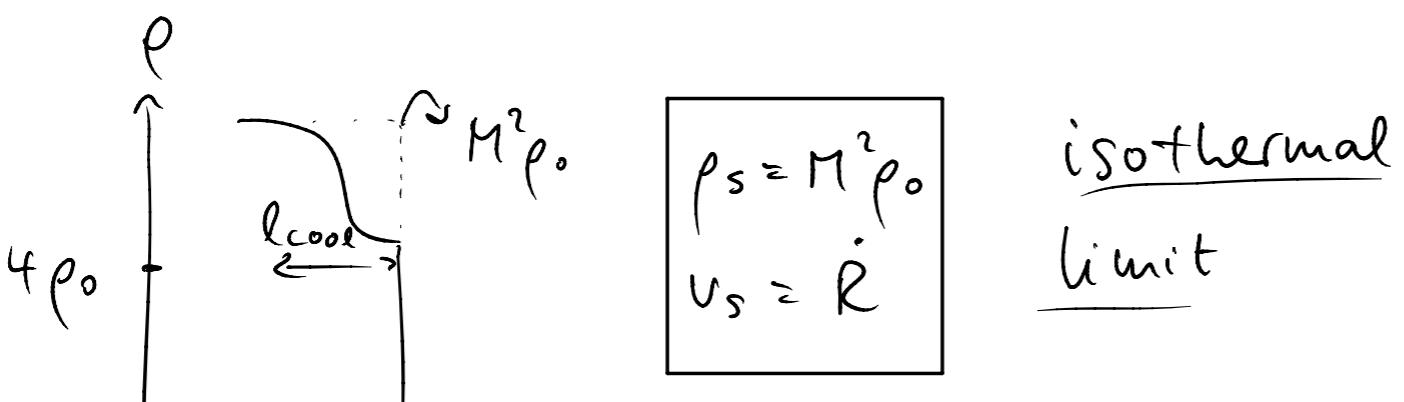
$$\text{with } \rho_s = \frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \rho_0 \quad \text{and} \quad p_s = \frac{2}{\gamma+1} \rho_0 \dot{R}^2$$

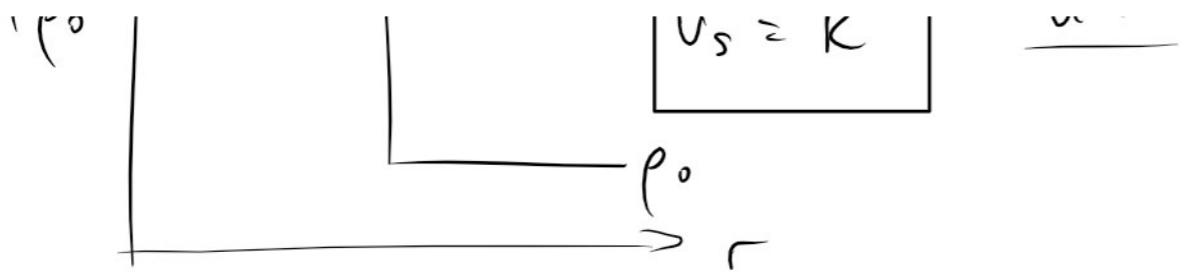
energy conservation :  $E_0 = E_{tot} = E_{kin} + E_{therm}$

$$\Rightarrow R(t) = \left( \frac{E_0}{\rho_0} \right)^{1/5} t^{2/5}$$

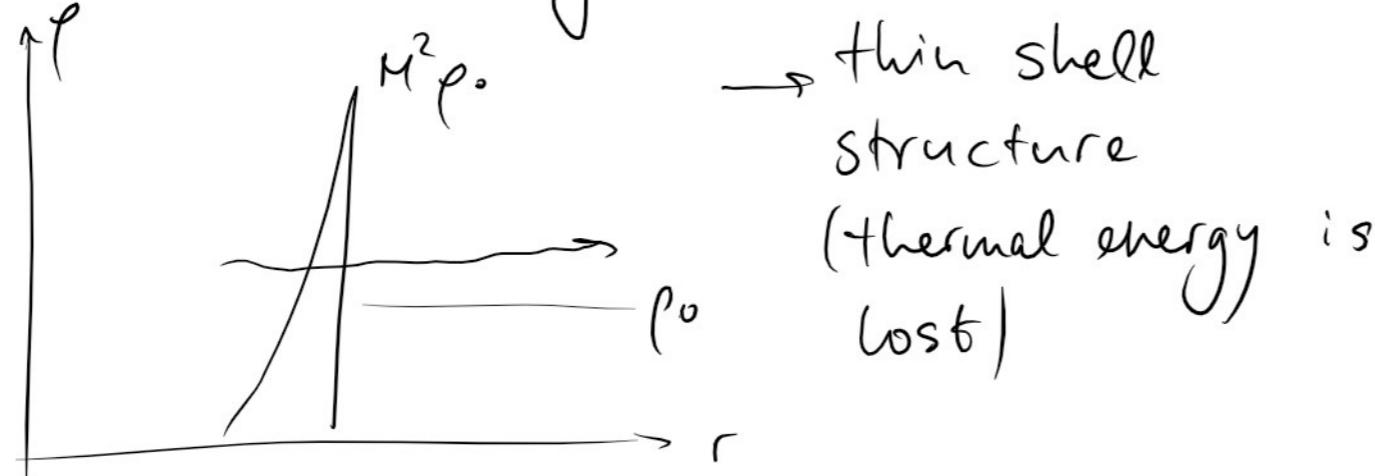
$$T_s \propto \dot{R}^2 \rightarrow T \propto t^{-6/5}$$

↳  $t_{cool} \sim E_0 \rightarrow R_{cool} = R(t_{cool})$  strong cooling regime





Snow plow regime:



$$R(t) = \left( \frac{3}{4\pi} \right)^{1/4} \left( \frac{\mu_{cool}}{\rho_0} \right)^{1/4} t^{1/4}$$

isentropic flows:

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{D\rho}{Dt} = - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\rho \frac{D\varepsilon}{Dt} = - P \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}$$

Pseudo-entropy:

$$\frac{DS}{Dt} = 0$$

$\frac{D}{Dt}$

$$P = (\gamma - 1) \rho \epsilon$$

$$\text{with } S = \frac{P}{\rho^\gamma} = (\gamma - 1) \frac{\epsilon}{\rho^{\gamma-1}}$$

Similar to polytrope but different physical models! ( $\gamma \leftrightarrow \Gamma$ )

### Vorticity:

non-linear term:

$$(\tilde{v} \cdot \tilde{\nabla}) \tilde{v} = \tilde{\nabla} \left( \frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} \right) + \underbrace{(\tilde{\nabla} \times \tilde{v}) \times \tilde{v}}_{\equiv \tilde{\omega}}$$

take curl of Eulers equation:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial t} + \tilde{\nabla} \times (\tilde{\omega} \times \tilde{v}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho^2} \tilde{\nabla} p \times \tilde{\nabla} p}_{\text{barometric term}}$$

↳ = 0 for isentropic flow

### Helmholtz decomposition theorem:

## Helmholtz decomposition theorem

$$\vec{v} = \vec{\nabla}\varphi + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

1) potential flow:  $\vec{v} = \vec{\nabla}\varphi$   
 $(\vec{A} \equiv 0)$

2) incompressible flows:  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$   
 (Laplace equation  $\Delta\varphi = 0$ )

in Eulers equation:  $\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{D\rho}{Dt} = 0$

in Bernoulli's 2nd theorem:  $\rho = \rho_0 \Rightarrow \pi = \frac{P}{\rho_0}$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} + \frac{v^2}{2} + \frac{P}{\rho_0} + \phi = C(t)$$