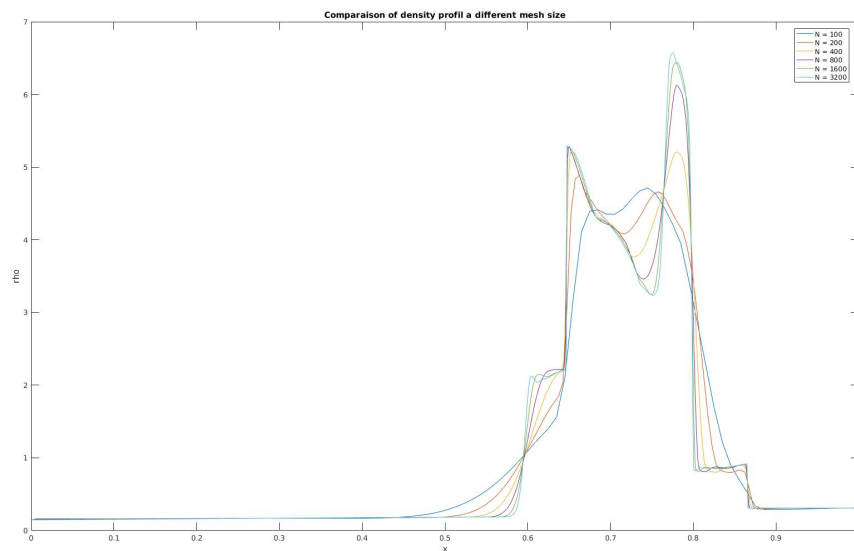


— Internship Report —
Non regular Nodes method for
Euler Gas Equation

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1 Introduction

2 Euler Gas Equation

Let's begin with a brief introduction about the euler gas equations (see [2]).

These equations were first described by Euler in 1757 for incompressible fluids. They describe fluid behaviour when we could consider that there is no viscosity. That is to say especially for gas.

For a one dimensionnal system, the equations are written as follow :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ E \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ P + \rho u^2 \\ u(E + P) \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega, \forall t \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

In fact, we just wrote the conservation of mass, momentum and energy across time and space.

Convention : This system illustrates a convention we will systematically make. The partial derivative are intends to act on each components of the vectors.

Where :

1. ρ stands for the fluid density is strictly positive.
2. P stands for the fluid presure and is also strictly positive.
3. E is the total energy of the system
4. u is the fluid velocity which could be either positive (if gas is moving toward increasing value in space) or negative.

All this variable depends of time and space. We ommit this dependance for lighter notation.

The system (1) is close by a fourth equation, an equation of state which bound pressure, density and energy :

$$E = \frac{P}{\gamma - 1} - \frac{\rho u^2}{2} \quad (2)$$

Where γ is the heat capacity ratio (or adiabatic index) of the fluid. It will be taken equal to : 1.4.

We will also need to compute the speed of sound in the gas, which is givern by :

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}} \quad (3)$$

In general there is no analytic solution of the system (1 - 2). This fact will lead us to some different kind of convergence and error analysis of our numerical scheme.

The system 1 describe non linear hyberpolics partial differential equations. The difficulties is that even is the initial conditiosn are smooth, the solution could present discontinuities,

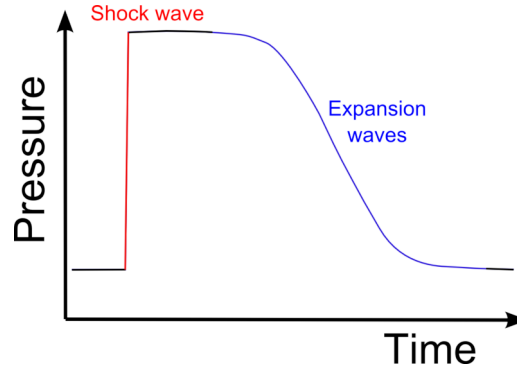


FIGURE 1 – The figure shows the variation in pressure behind a shock wave followed by expansion waves. The shock wave leads to an abrupt rise in the pressure.

or in a more physical vocabulary, chock waves. This is a major problem to construct numerical method to capture them.

To put the system 1 is a more compact way, let $U = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ E \end{pmatrix}$ be the state vector and

$f(U) = \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ P + \rho u^2 \\ u(E + P) \end{pmatrix}$ be the flux vector such as 1 rewrite as :

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f(U)}{\partial x} = 0$$

This a general notation for hyberbolic systems. If we choose f to be the identity then we get the advection equation, for instance.

2.1 The problem

In this etud, the domain is taken to be : $\Omega = [0, 1]$ and the time in $[0, 0.1]$ The problem is closed with proper boundary and initial conditions :

$$\begin{aligned} u(0, t) = u(1, t) &= 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, 0.1] \\ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x}(x, t) \Big|_{x=0,1} &= 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, 0.1] \\ \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}(x, t) \Big|_{x=0,1} &= 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, 0.1] \\ u(x, 0) &= 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega \\ \rho(x, 0) &= 1 \quad \forall x \in \Omega \\ P(x, 0) &= \begin{cases} 1000 & \text{if } 0 < x < 0.1 \\ 0.01 & \text{if } 0.1 < x < 0.9 \\ 100 & \text{if } 0.9 < x < 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Which we can interpret as solid wall conditions on both extremities of the tubes.

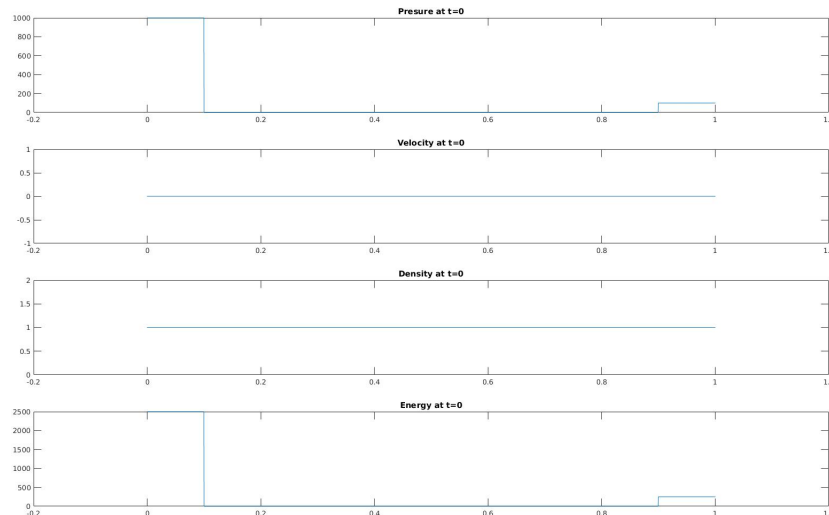


FIGURE 2 – Initial conditions of the problem

2.2 Expecting results

The initial condition suggests that at $t = 0$ there is some kind of valves at $x = 0.1$ and $x = 0.9$ that are opened. After we can easily imagine that due to pressure the gas "wants" to uniform his energy, so the left side will be moving to the right, the right side to the left. But what happens when these two waves collide?

In fact due to the hyperbolic characteristics of the system [1](#) we can expect shock waves. The numerical difficulties is to capture them.

3 Numerical scheme

The goal is to implement the scheme described in [\[1\]](#) on the example 5.1.4 from [\[?\]](#). Notice that the method described in [\[1\]](#) concentrates on moving boundary in two dimensions. But we forgot that and focus on the case the boundaries are fixed and the dimension is one.

3.1 General method for hyperbolic system

3.1.1 Cells and Nodes

Choose an integer N (obviously not null, we won't go far), and let divide Ω into N grid "cells" (Figure [3](#)), and let x_i be the cell-centers. A simple reasoning will lead us to the

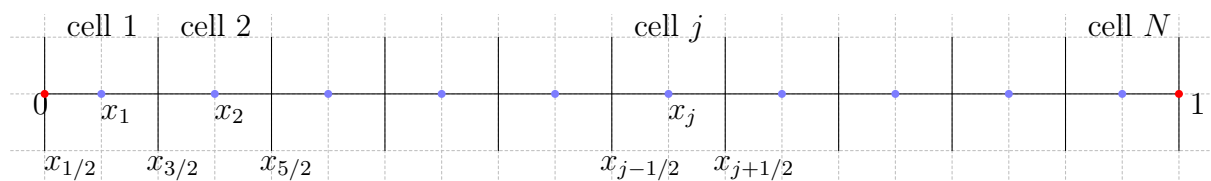


FIGURE 3 – Cells construction on Ω

main scheme. Let us integrate over one cell the partial derivative equation :

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

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} U dx = - \int_{x_{j-1/2}}^{x_{j+1/2}} \frac{\partial f(U)}{\partial x} dx$$

Here the magic appears, on left side we almost recognize the mean value of U in the cell, and on the right side the computation is obvious since we integrate a space derivative with respect to space. Hence :

$$\Delta x \frac{d\bar{U}}{dt} = -(f(U(x_{j+1/2}, t)) - f(U(x_{j-1/2}, t)))$$

Where \bar{U} is the mean value of U in the j cell, and $\Delta x = \frac{1}{N}$ is the cell length.

Remark : Look how logical this is, the time variation of the mean value is equal of the flux differences in the cell.

The difficulty that arises is that we know the values of U in the cell center by setting it to be the mean value of U in the cell. However we need to have the values of U at the cells interfaces in order to compute the right member.

3.1.2 Reconstruction

In order to solve the precedent problem we have to "guess" the value of U at the cell interfaces with the knowledge of value in the center. The first possibility is to consider U to be constant over each cell : Thus another problem arises, we construct two values for U

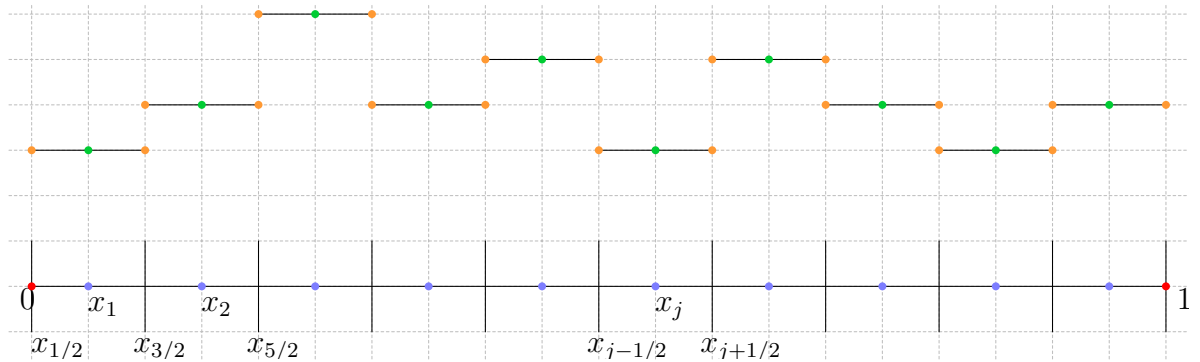


FIGURE 4 – Constant interpolation of U

at the cells interfaces, which one we should choose ?

Second possibility is to consider piecewise linear function between centers : We solve the problem of multiple value at interfaces but we see that we would need a special treatment for the two extremities nodes.

In fact, there are infinitely many ways to do this reconstruction procedure (with parabolas, cubics, splines ...) so I will now focus on the scheme proposed in the paper.

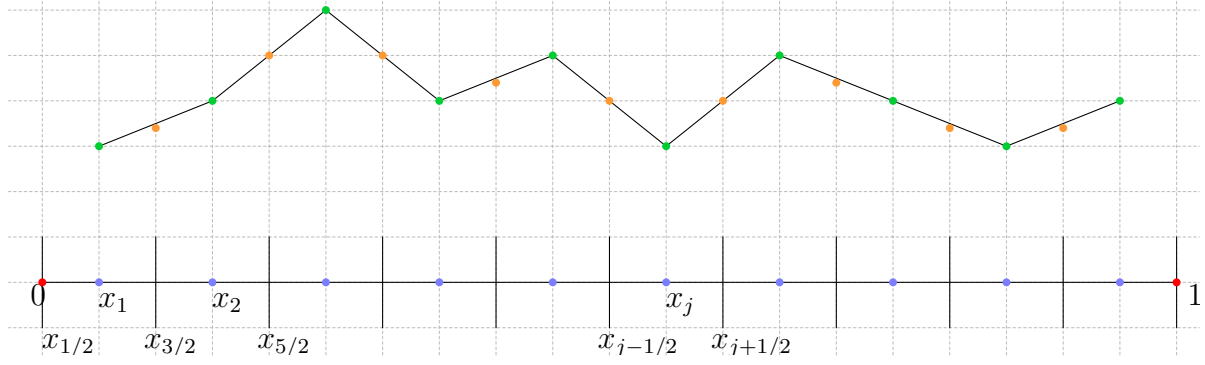


FIGURE 5 – Linear Interpolation of U

The Goal is to get the following equations :

$$\frac{dU_j}{dt} = -\frac{\hat{f}_{j+1/2} - \hat{f}_{j-1/2}}{\Delta x} \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad (5)$$

We compute the $\{\hat{f}_{j\pm 1/2}\}$ as follows :

1. Compute the spectral radius of the jacobian at $x = x_j$. Analytics computation lead us to know that for compressible Euler equation it is :

$$a_j = |u_j| + c_j$$

2. We split the flux function f as :

$$f(U_j) = f_j^+ + f_j^- \quad f_j^\pm = \frac{1}{2} (f(U_j) \pm a_j U_j)$$

3. We compute the slopes in each cells using the minmod function :

$$(f_x)_j^\pm = \minmod \left(\theta \frac{f_j^\pm - f_{j-1}^\pm}{\Delta x}, \frac{f_{j+1}^\pm - f_{j-1}^\pm}{2\Delta x}, \theta \frac{f_{j+1}^\pm - f_j^\pm}{\Delta x} \right)$$

Where $\theta \in [1, 2]$ is a parameter that control the amount of numerical dissipation, larger values of θ typically lead to sharper resolution of discontinuities, but may cause some oscillations.

The *minmod* function is defined by :

$$\minmod(a, b, c) = \begin{cases} \min(a, b, c) & \text{if } a > 0, b > 0 \text{ and } c > 0 \\ \max(a, b, c) & \text{if } a < 0, b < 0 \text{ and } c < 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

4. Construct f^E and f^W as :

$$f_j^E = f_j^+ + \frac{\Delta x}{2} (f_x)_j^+ \quad f_j^W = f_j^- - \frac{\Delta x}{2} (f_x)_j^-$$

5. Finally :

$$\hat{f}_{j+1/2} = f_j^E + f_{j+1}^W \quad \hat{f}_{j-1/2} = f_{j-1}^E + f_j^W$$

3.2 Boundary condition and Ghost Nodes

While presenting the scheme I haven't discuss on which nodes we have to apply the method. Obviously there is no problem when we are in the middle of the domain problems arise when we come close to the boundaries.

In order to achieve the method two ghost points are needed on each side, with values dictated by the boundary conditions. I describe the computation on the left side, the same can be applied to the right side.

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By the boundary condition we get the value of ρ , u and P at the two ghost cells centers :

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_0 &= \rho_1 \\ \rho_{-1} &= \rho_2 \\ u_0 &= -u_1 \\ u_{-1} &= -u_2 \\ P_0 &= P_1 \\ P_{-1} &= P_2\end{aligned}$$

Which in term of U is the following :

$$\begin{aligned}U_0 &= \begin{pmatrix} U_1^1 \\ -U_1^2 \\ U_1^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ U_{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} U_2^1 \\ -U_2^2 \\ U_2^3 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

where the superscript denotes the i -th component

3.3 Integration of the semi-discrete system

4 Numerical Experiment for regular nodes distribution

4.1 Data Representation

I hope no one is a purist mathematician because I will abuse with the "dot" notation of Matlab meaning point by point operation. Choosing Matlab for programming language was a logical first choice to do, because many operations are transparent in Matlab. However we should keep in mind that greater efficiency could be achieved with more basic language. With a very natural way, the partial differential equation is described by a vector U whose size is : 3 rows times $(N+4)$ columns. Why $N+4$? Because there is N internal nodes and 2 ghost points on each side.

Thus in only on structure I could represent my system at time t .

Let recall that with that structure we have information in the center of the cell and we want to achieve information at cell interfaces.

4.2 Implementation

I will describe the code implementing the method in Matlab language¹.

First is the function implementing the flux : $\begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 + P \\ u(E + P) \end{pmatrix}$ Given the vector of state U we can get easily u , ρ and E but we will need the adiabatic constant γ to compute the pressure with the equation of state (2). Thus the flux is given by :

$$f(U) = U * u + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ P \\ P * u \end{bmatrix}$$

```
function y = f(U,gamma)
v = U(2,:) ./ U(1,:);
P = (gamma-1)*(U(3,:) - 0.5*U(1,:) .* v .* v);
y = U.*v+[zeros(size(P));P;P.*v];
end
```

Code 1 – Implementation of the flux function - f.m

Second easy step is to compute the speed of the sound in the domain. Same argumentation leads us to compute density and pressure from the vector of state and the adiabatic constant.

```
function c = speedofsound(U,gamma)
% density
rho = U(1,:);
v2 = (U(2,:) ./ rho) .^2;
% pressure
P = (gamma-1)*(U(3,:) - 0.5*(U(2,:) .^2) ./ rho);
% speed of sound
c = sqrt(gamma*P ./ rho);
end
```

Code 2 – Implementation of the computation of the speed of sound - speedofsound.m

Another minor function is the one that constructs the initial condition of pressure.

```
function y = P0(x)
l = length(x);
for i = 1:l
z = x(i);
if 0 < z && z < 0.1
y(i) = 10^3;
elseif 0.1 < z && z < 0.9
y(i) = 10^-2;
elseif 0.9 < z && z < 1
y(i) = 10^2;
else
y(i) = 0;
end
```

1. Actually, it will not work with Matlab because I wrote it in Octave and this software is more tolerant. But minor changes will make it work with Matlab.

```
end
end
```

Code 3 – Implementation of the initial condition of pressure - P0.m

One important function in the reconstruction process in the *minmod* function. This is maybe the function I am the less proud about because it is certainly not using the full power offers by the data structure and is strongly dependant of this particular case.

```
function y = minmod(a,b,c)
s = size(a);
y = zeros(s);
for i=1:s(1)
for j = 1:s(2)
% limit data access
tmpa = a(i,j);
tmpb = b(i,j);
tmpc = c(i,j);
if tmpa > 0 && tmpb > 0 && tmpc > 0
y(i,j) = min([tmpa,tmpb,tmpc]);
elseif tmpa < 0 && tmpb < 0 && tmpc < 0
y(i,j) = max([tmpa,tmpb,tmpc]);
else
y(i,j) = 0;
end
end
end
end
```

Code 4 – Implementation of the minmod function - minmod.m

Finally the hearth of the method is contain in this last function file. Given U , the adiabatic constant, the minmod reconstruction constant and the mesh size, it will produce the second member in

```
function q = qf_uniform(U,gamma,theta,dx)
fU = f(U,gamma);
c = speedofsound(U,gamma);
a = abs(U(2,:)./U(1,:)) + c;

% Compute f+ & f-
fp = 0.5 * (fU + a.*U);
fm = 0.5 * (fU - a.*U);

% Compute df+
dfp0 = theta*(fp(:,2:end-1) - fp(:,1:end-2))/dx; % Option 1
dfp1 = (fp(:,3:end) - fp(:,1:end-2))/(2*dx); % Option 2
dfp2 = theta*(fp(:,3:end) - fp(:,2:end-1))/dx; % Option 3

dfp = minmod(dfp0,dfp1,dfp2);

% Compute df-
dfm0 = theta*(fm(:,2:end-1) - fm(:,1:end-2))/dx; % Option 1
dfm1 = (fm(:,3:end) - fm(:,1:end-2))/(2*dx); % Option 2
```

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dfm2 = theta*(fm(:,3:end) - fm(:,2:end-1))/dx; % Option 3

dfm = minmod(dfm0,dfm1,dfm2);

fE = fp(:,2:end-1) + 0.5*dx*dfp;
fW = fm(:,2:end-1) - 0.5*dx*dfm;

% Compute f+0.5 and f-0.5
fphalf = fE(:,2:end-1) + fW(:,3:end);
fmhalf = fE(:,1:end-2) + fW(:,2:end-1);

% Compute second member
q = (fphalf - fmhalf)/dx;
end

```

Code 5 – Implementation of the computation of the second member - qf_ uniform.m

And least the main function is setting all the parameters for the study of this case and process the SSP Runge Kutta method.

```

function main_euler_uniform(N)

% Constantes
a = 0;
b = 1;
theta = 1.5;
gamma = 1.4;
T = 0.1;
dx = (b-a)/N;
x = [a-dx/2:dx:b+dx/2];
x = [x(1)-dx,x,x(end)+dx];
cfl = 0.437/23;
dt = cfl*dx;
s = size(x);
niter = ceil(T/dt);

% Initialisation in Omega at t=0 and boundary conditions
tmprho = ones(1,s(2)-4);
rho = [tmprho(2),tmprho(1),tmprho,tmprho(end), tmprho(end-1)];
tmpv = zeros(1,s(2)-4);
%tmpv = 0.5*exp(-200*(x(3:end-2)-0.5).^2);
v = [-tmpv(2),-tmpv(1),tmpv,-tmpv(end),-tmpv(end-1)];
tmpP = P0(x(3:end-2));
%tmpP = ones(1,s(2)-4);
P = [tmpP(2),tmpP(1),tmpP,tmpP(end),tmpP(end-1)];

clear tmpP tmprho tmpv

E = P/(gamma-1) + 0.5*rho.*v.*v;

U = [rho;rho.*v;E];
%%% Let's Go %%%
U1 = zeros(size(U)); % Reserve mem space

```

```

U1_1 = zeros(size(U));
U1_2 = zeros(size(U));

for t = 1:niter

% SSP RK order 3
q = qf_uniform(U,gamma,theta,dx);
U1_1(:,3:end-2) = U(:,3:end-2) - dt*q;
U1_1(:,[1 2 end-1 end]) = [1;-1;1].*U1_1(:,[4 3 end-2 end-3]);

q1 = qf_uniform(U1_1,gamma,theta,dx);
U1_2(:,3:end-2) = 0.75*U(:,3:end-2) + 0.25*U1_1(:,3:end-2) - 0.25*
    dt*q1;
U1_2(:,[1 2 end-1 end]) = [1;-1;1].*U1_2(:,[4 3 end-2 end-3]);

q2 = qf_uniform(U1_2,gamma,theta,dx);
U1(:,3:end-2) = (1/3)*U(:,3:end-2) + (2/3)*U1_2(:,3:end-2) - (2/3)*
    dt*q2;
U1(:,[1 2 end-1 end]) = [1;-1;1].*U1(:,[4 3 end-2 end-3]);

rho = U(1,3:end-2);
v = U(2,3:end-2)./rho;
P = (gamma-1)*(U(3,3:end-2) - 0.5*rho.*v.*v);
c = speedofsound(U,gamma);

% Loop
U = U1;
if sum(imag(c) > 0) > 0 % in case of instability of the method, this
    criterion will stopes the loop
break;
end

% Save chock case
if (t*dt <= 0.038 && dt*(t+1) > 0.038)
plot(x(3:end-2),rho,'r');
title(['rho, □□t□=□',num2str(t*dt)]);
print(['../img/chock_',num2str(N),'_Nodes.png'],'-dpng');
dlmwrite(['../Results/Uniform/'],num2str(N),'_Nodes/chock_rho.dat',
    ],[rho'],'□')
end
if (t*dt > 0.045)
close all;
end
end
end % end function

```

Code 6 – Implementation of the main function - main_euler_uniform.m

4.3 Results

4.3.1 Euler vs Runge Kutta

4.3.2 Rate of convergence

4.3.3 Chock capture

4.3.4 Error and convergence

5 Adaptation on non regular nodes distribution

6 Conclusion

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