

# Vanishing adsorption admissibility criterion for contact discontinuities in the polymer model



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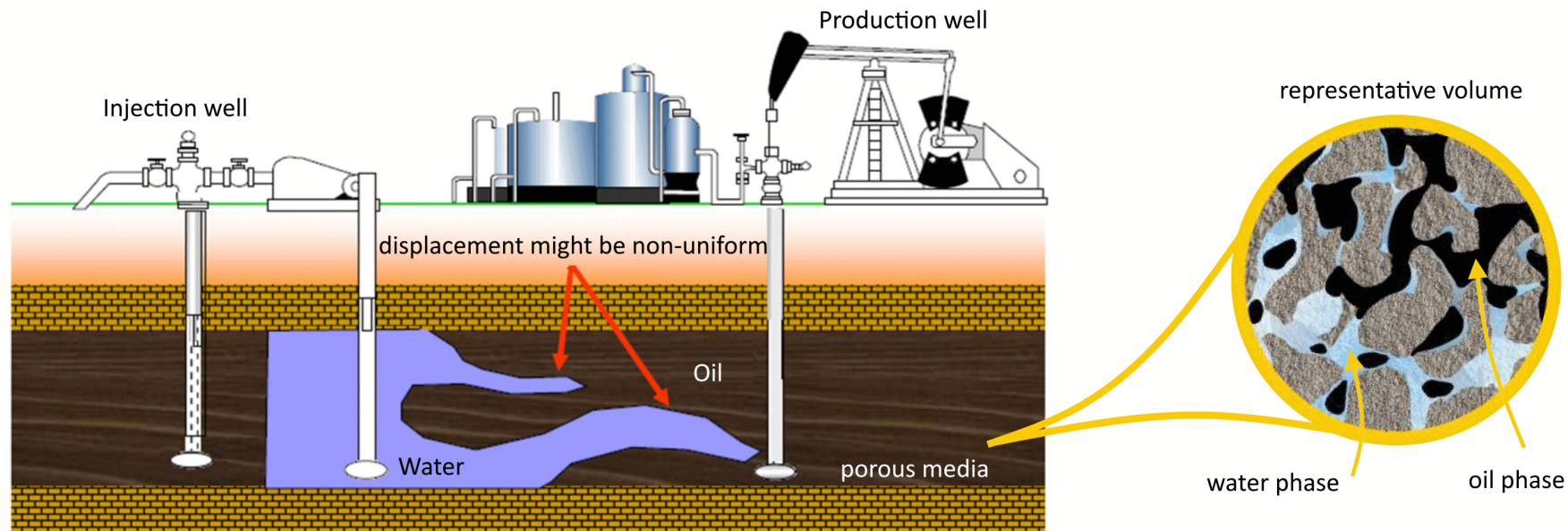
The talk is based on:

- **Y. Petrova**, B. Plohr, and Marchesin D. Vanishing adsorption admissibility criterion for contact discontinuities in the polymer model. arXiv:2211.10326.
- F. Bakharev, A. Enin, **Y. Petrova**, and N. Rastegaev. Impact of dissipation ratio on vanishing viscosity solutions of the Riemann problem for chemical flooding model. Journal of Hyperbolic Differential Equations, 20:1–26, 2023.

# Motivation: enhanced oil recovery (EOR)

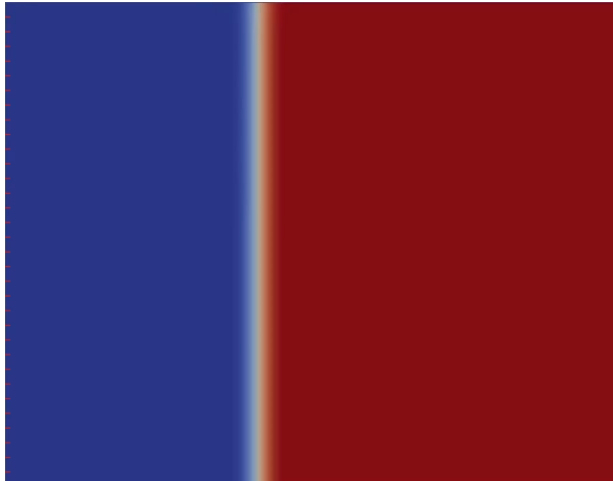
We are interested in the mathematical model of oil recovery.

- porous media (averaged models of flow)
- unknown variables:  $s \in [0,1]$  - water saturation,  $1 - s$  - oil concentration
- relatively small speeds ( $\approx 1$  meter per day): Navier-Stokes  $\rightarrow$  Darcy's law
- multiphase flow: oil, water, gas
- applications to EOR methods: thermal, gas, chemical flooding



# Two main directions of investigation

*Stable displacement (1-dim)*

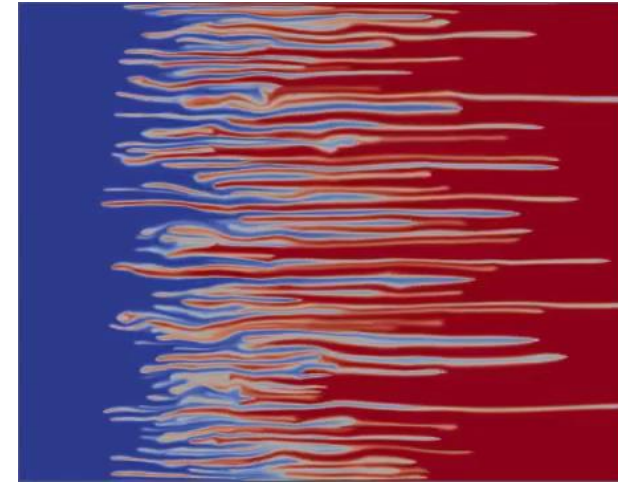


- hyperbolic conservation laws
- main question: find an exact solution for a Riemann problem

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc)_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example: polymer model

*Unstable displacement (2-dim)*



- viscous fingering phenomenon
- source of instability: water and oil/polymer have different viscosities

$$\begin{aligned} c_t + \operatorname{div}(uc) &= \Delta c \\ \operatorname{div}(u) &= 0, \quad u = -m(c) \nabla p \end{aligned}$$

Example: incompressible porous media equation (IPM)

# Glimm-Isaacson model (KKIT)\*

Two-phase oil-water flow with *polymer* in the water (1980)

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (cs)_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- $s \in [0,1]$  – water saturation
- $c \in [0,1]$  – polymer concentration in water
- $f(s, c)$  – fractional flow function: affected by polymer
  - S-shaped in  $s$  (for fixed  $c$ )

Case 1:

$f'_c < 0$  (monotone in  $c$ )

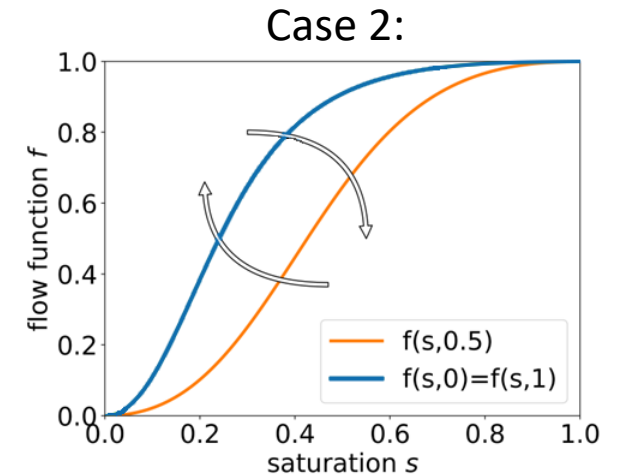
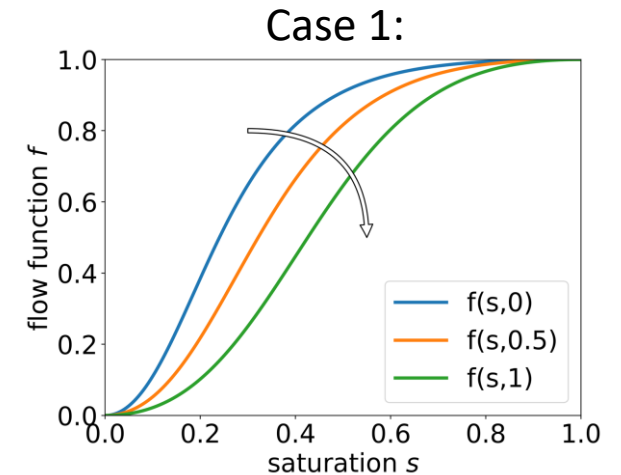
Case 2:

$f$  changes monotonicity once

Initial data:  $(s, c)(x, 0) = \begin{cases} (s_L, c_L), & x \leq 0 \\ (s_R, c_R), & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

Question: find an exact solution  $s(x, t)$  and  $c(x, t)$  to any Riemann problem

NB:  $s(x, t) = s(x/t)$  – self-similar



\* KKIT = Keyfitz, Kranzer, Isaacson, Temple

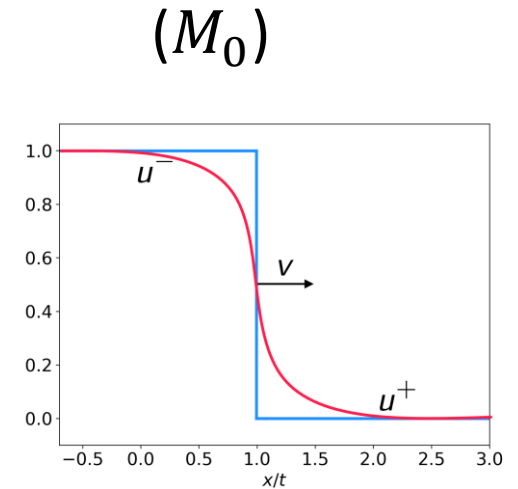
# Main idea

Polymer model (1980' E. Isaacson)

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc)_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Contact discontinuities (linearly degenerate)  $\Rightarrow$  non-uniqueness of solutions
- Vanishing viscosity criterion helps? Directly no...
- Existing admissibility criteria need to be justified from “physical” perspective

Aim: select unique physically admissible weak solution



Main idea: add small physical effect – adsorption of polymer on the rock (1987 ' T. Johansen, R. Winther)

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc + \alpha a(c))_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$(M_\alpha)$

Here  $\alpha > 0$  - small,  $a(c)$  – strictly concave

- Contact discontinuities  $\rightsquigarrow$  rarefaction and shock waves  $\rightsquigarrow$  vanishing viscosity criteria is applicable

*Vanishing adsorption criterion:* the admissible contacts for  $M_0$  are the  $L^1_{loc}$  limits of a family of admissible solutions for a Riemann problem for  $M_\alpha$  as  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ .

# Algorithm to find a solution $U = (s, c)$ for $2 \times 2$ systems

$$U_t + F(U)_x = 0$$

$$U(x, 0) = \begin{cases} U_L, & x \leq 0 \\ U_R, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

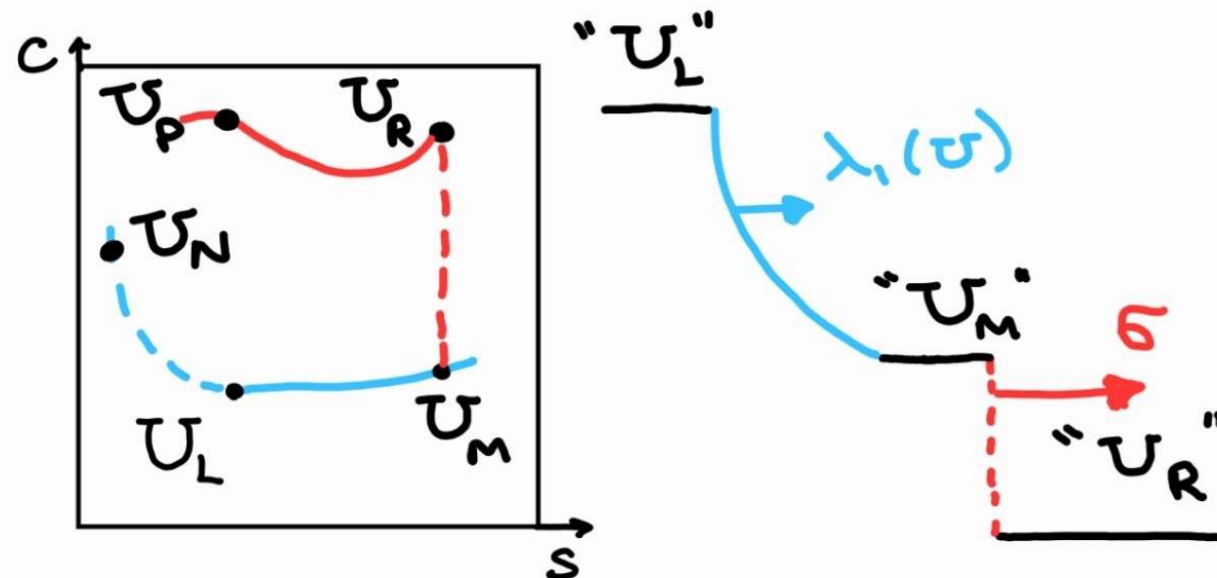
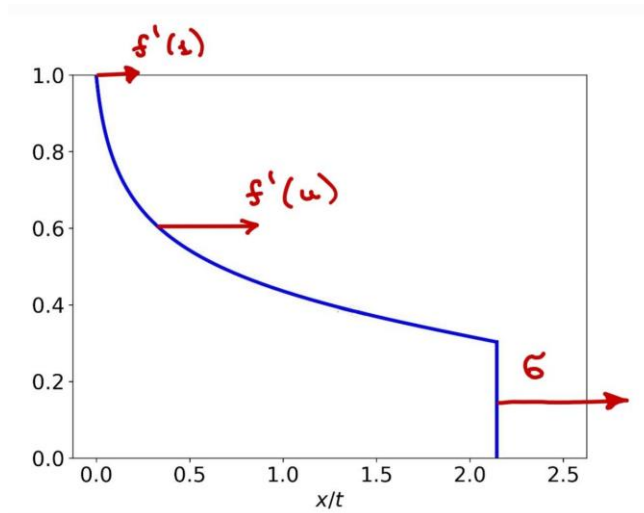
Eigenvalues of  $DF(U)$ :  $\lambda_1(U) < \lambda_2(U)$

Take  $U_L$  and construct a “slow wave curve” corresponding to  $\lambda_1(U)$

Take  $U_R$  and construct a “fast wave curve” corresponding to  $\lambda_2(U)$

Intersection of these two wave curves gives a solution

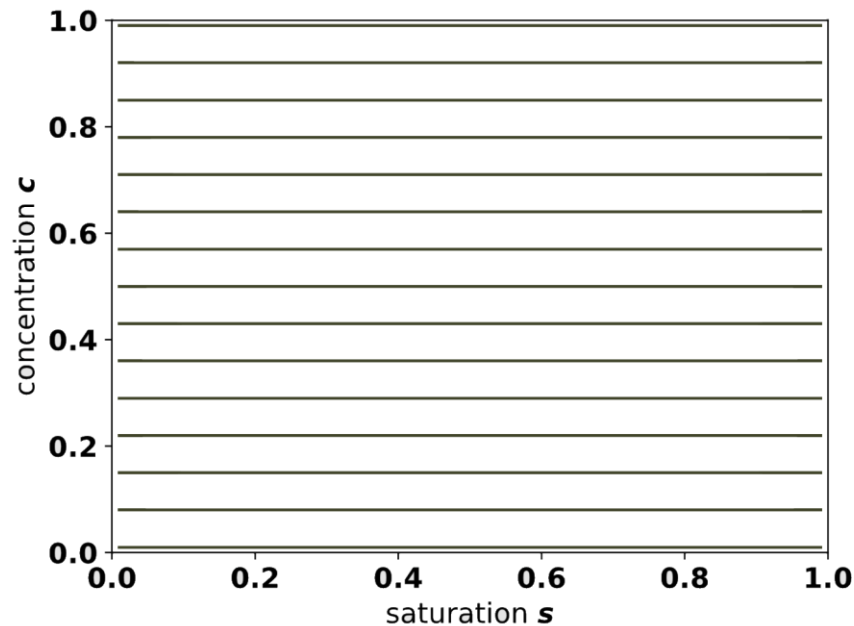
$$u_t + f(u)_x = 0$$



# Characteristic families: s and c-waves

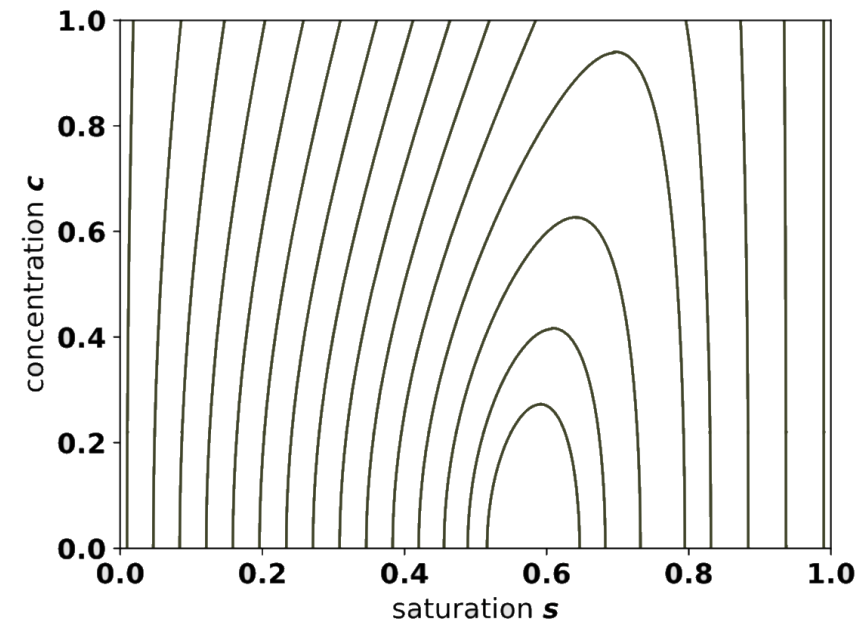
## s-waves

- $\lambda^s = f'_s$
- Solve the Buckley-Leverett equation  $c = \text{const}$
- Riemann invariant  $c = \text{const}$
- “line” family



## c-waves

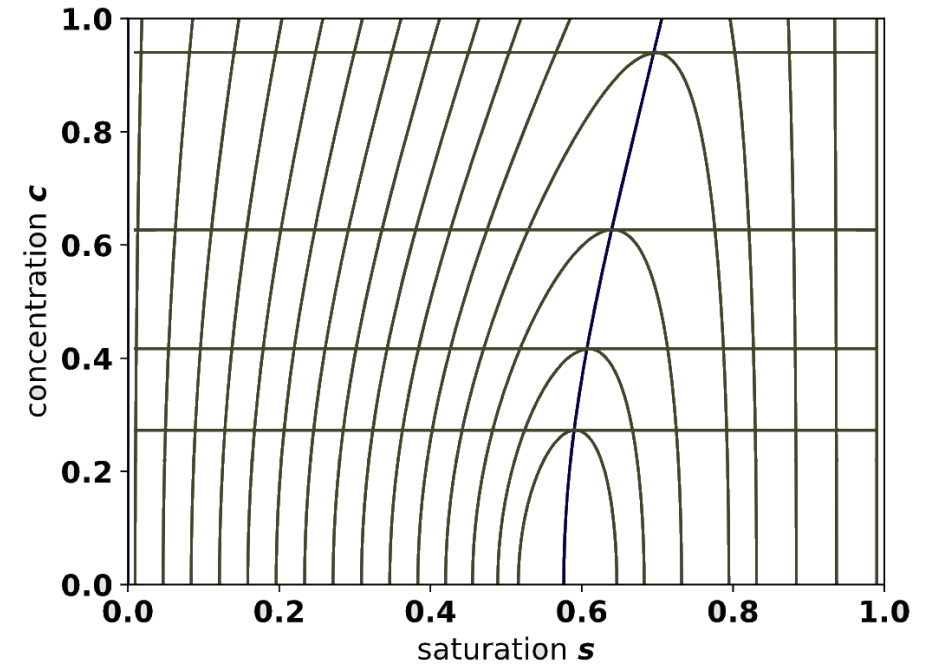
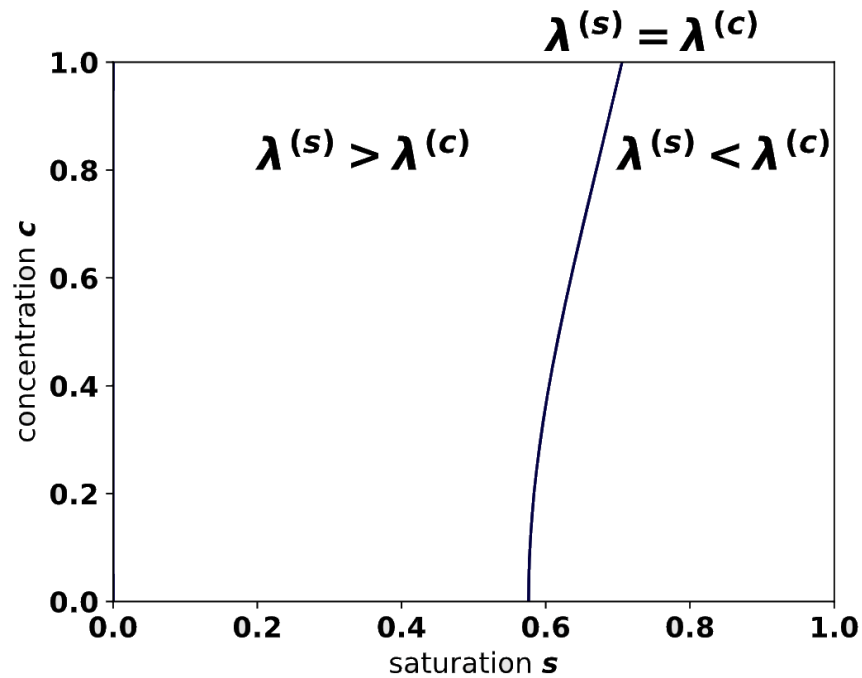
- $\lambda^c = f/s$
- Are contact discontinuities
- Riemann invariant  $f/s = \text{const}$
- “contact” family



- For both families, the rarefaction and shock curves coincide! But in a different way (Temple'1983)
- Any solution for a Riemann problem is a combination of  $s$  and  $c$  waves



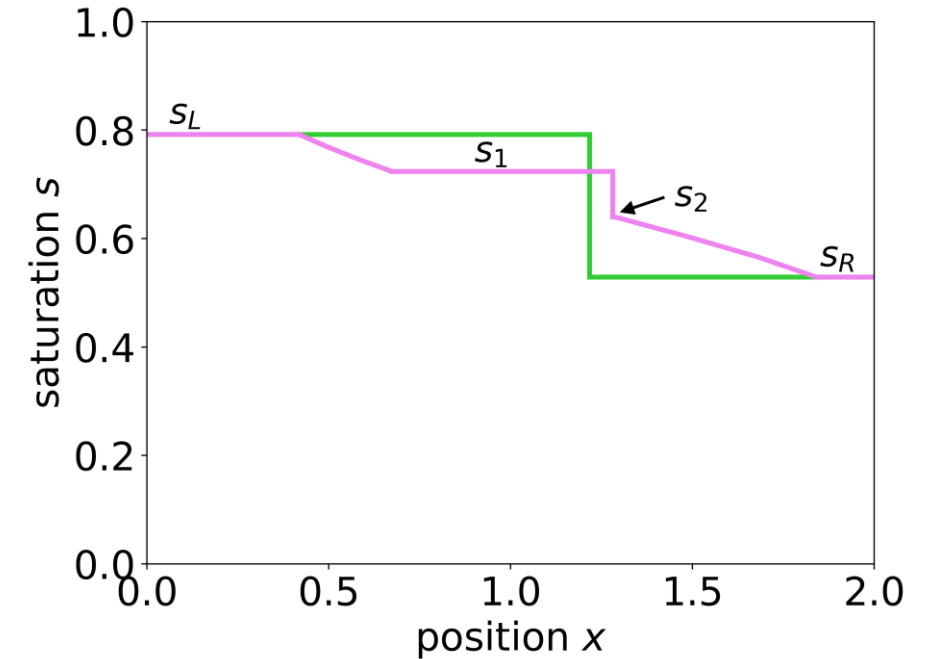
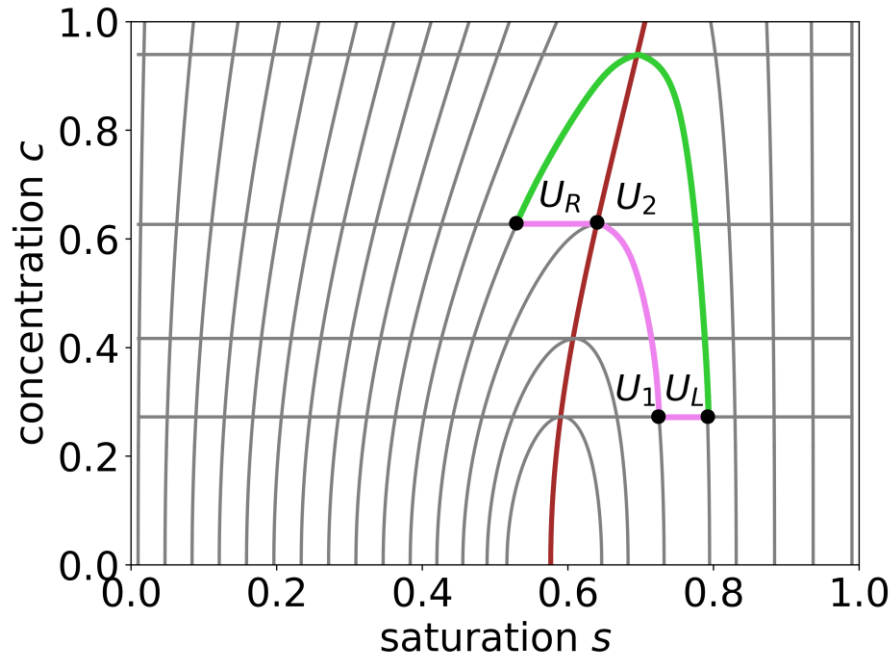
# Non-strictly hyperbolic system



The coordinate system of wave curves is singular and the wave speeds coincide on a co-dimension one curve (coincidence locus):  $\lambda^s = f'_s = f/s = \lambda^c$   
 $s$  and  $c$  waves are tangent on coincidence curve



# Non-uniqueness of solutions



A contact discontinuity between  $U_-$  and  $U_+$  is admissible if and only if:

Criterion 1 (Isaacson):                      either     $U_-, U_+ \in \{\lambda^s \geq \lambda^c\}$     or     $U_-, U_+ \in \{\lambda^s \leq \lambda^c\}$

Criterion 2 (de Souza-Marchesin):     $c$  is continuous and monotone along the sequence of contact curves, connecting  $U_-$  and  $U_+$

*What is the (physical) motivation of these criteria?*

# Main result

Polymer model

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc + \alpha a(c))_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (M_\alpha)$$

Criterion 3: vanishing adsorption (Petrova-Marchesin-Plohr):

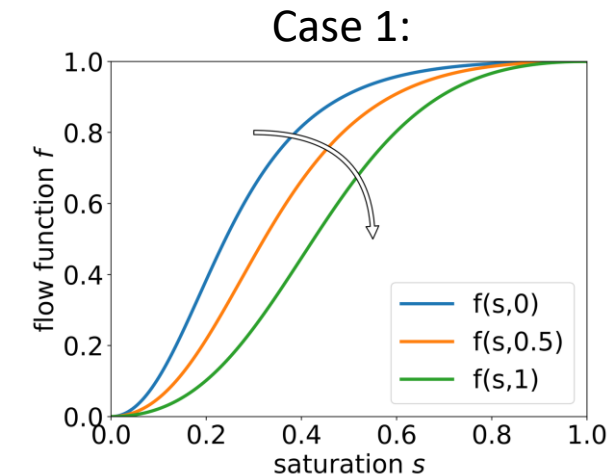
A contact discontinuity between  $U_-$  and  $U_+$  for  $M_0$  is admissible if and only if it is the  $L^1_{loc}$  limit of a family of admissible solutions for a Riemann problem for  $M_\alpha$  as  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ .

## Theorem 1 (P., Marchesin, Plohr, arxiv:2211.10326)

If  $f$  satisfies the monotonicity assumption  $f'_c < 0$ , then the set of admissible Riemann solutions for  $M_0$  is the same for criteria 1, 2 and 3.

Corollary: any solution to a Riemann problem for  $M_0$  exists and is unique.

Question: what happens when  $f$  is non-monotone in  $c$ ?



# What happens when $f$ is non-monotone in $c$ ?

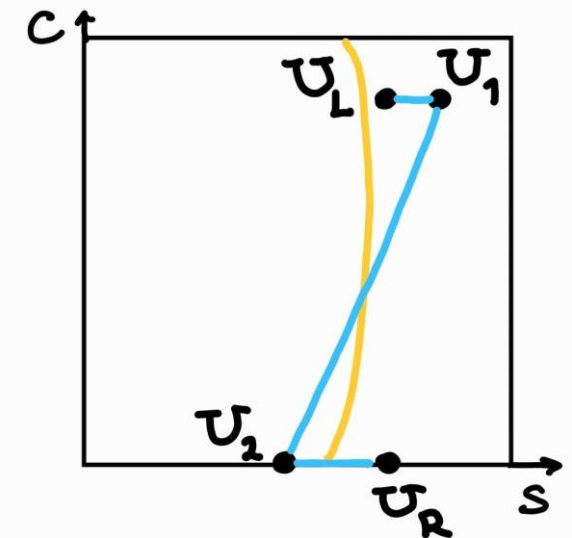
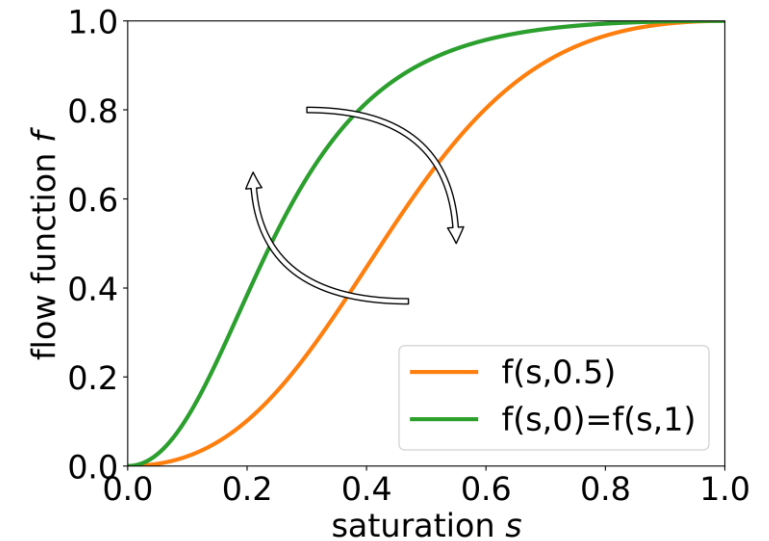
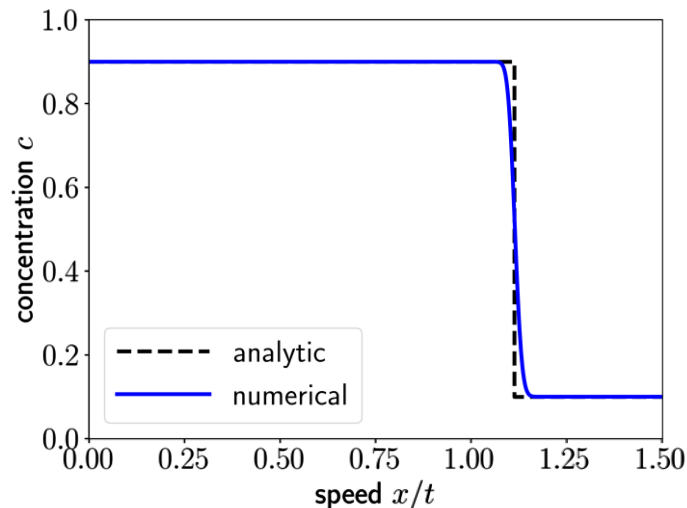
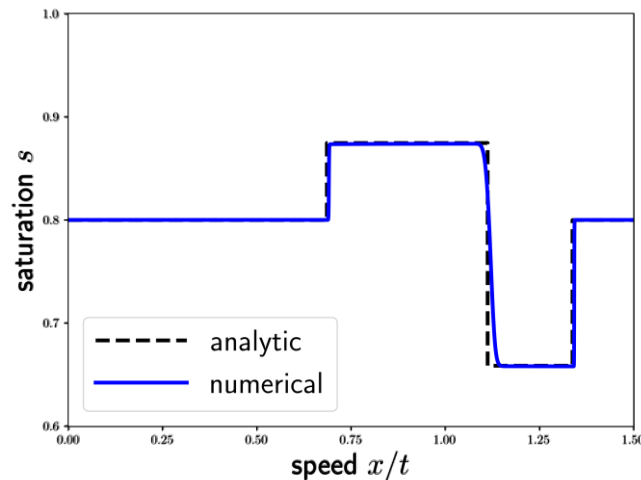
$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc)_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example: “boomerang”

$$f(s, c) = \frac{s^2}{s^2 + \mu(c)(1-s)^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \mu(c) = 1 + 4c(1-c)$$

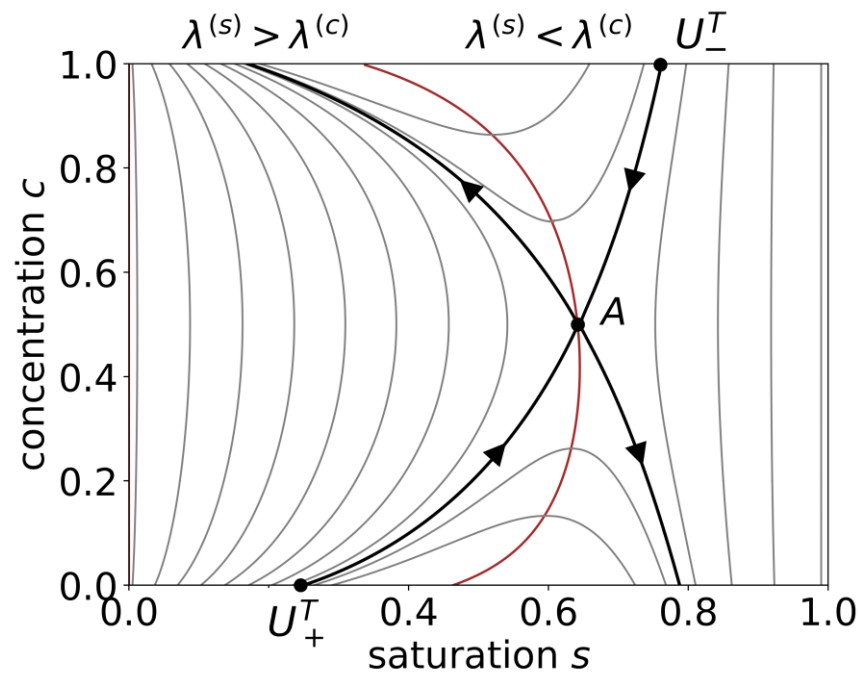
$$\text{Riemann problem: } (s, c)(x, 0) = \begin{cases} (0.8, 1), & x \leq 0 \\ (0.8, 0), & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Results of numerical modelling:



# ...a more careful look...

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc)_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



Let's call the corresponding contact discontinuity undercompressive (it does NOT satisfy the Lax admissibility criterion)

Is this contact discontinuity admissible by the existing criteria?

Criteria 1: NO

Criteria 2: YES

Criteria 3: YES

**Theorem 2 (P., Marchesin, Plohr, 2022, arxiv:2211.10326)**

The undercompressive contact discontinuities satisfy the vanishing adsorption admissibility criterion

# Main step in proof of Thm 2

$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= 0 \\ (sc + \alpha a(c))_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Add diffusion terms



$$\begin{aligned} s_t + f(s, c)_x &= \varepsilon_1 s_{xx} \\ (sc + \alpha a(c))_t + (cf(s, c))_x &= \varepsilon_1 (cs_x)_x + \varepsilon_2 c_{xx} \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rightarrow 0, \quad k = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_2}$$

Travelling wave ansatz



$$s = s(x - \sigma t) = s(\xi), \quad c = c(x - \sigma t) = c(\xi)$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha \cdot s_\xi = f - \sigma(s + d_1) \\ c_\xi = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_2} \cdot \sigma \cdot (d_1 c - d_2 - a(c)) \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3 (Bakharev, Enin, P., Rastegaev, 2023, JHDE)**

For any  $k = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_2} > 0$  there exists  $s_-(k)$  and  $s_+(k)$  and velocity  $\sigma(k)$  such that there exists a travelling wave, connecting two saddle points  $(s_-(k), 1)$  and  $(s_+(k), 0)$  with velocity  $\sigma(k)$ .

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