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# Solving Brio-Wu Shock Tube problem using Godunov Schemes

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# What is Magnetohydrodynamics

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- Study of electrically conducting fluids and their flow properties
- Combination of fluid mechanics and electromagnetism.  
Fluid Mech - Navier Stokes  
Electromagnetism - Maxwell's equations
- Primarily used to study plasma flow properties



# What is Plasma

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- Electrically conducting fluids that are neutral on macroscopic scale
- The number of electrons inside the Debye sphere is large
- Characteristic length scales should be much larger than the Debye length
- Average time between electron-neutral particle collisions be much larger than characteristic time scales of plasma flow.



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- Mass Conservation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

- Momentum Conservation

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{u})}{\partial t} = \rho_e \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B} - \nabla \cdot (\rho l + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}) + \psi \quad (2)$$

- Energy Conservation

$$\frac{1}{2} \rho \frac{Du^2}{Dt} + \rho \frac{De}{Dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{J} + \phi \quad (3)$$



# Maxwell's equations

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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} - \nabla \times \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{J} = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_e \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (7)$$

Supplemented by the equations

$$\frac{\partial \rho_e}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}) \quad (9)$$



# Ideal MHD Assumptions

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- Displacement Current is neglected in comparison to conduction current i.e

$$\frac{\epsilon(\partial \mathbf{E} / \partial t)_{max}}{\sigma \mathbf{E}_{max}} = \frac{\epsilon \omega}{\sigma} = 10^{-13} \omega \quad (10)$$

- Free charge density ( $\rho_e$ ) is assumed to be zero. Thus-
  - Convection current is negligible in comparison to Conduction current

$$\frac{\rho_e \mathbf{u}}{\sigma E} \cong \frac{(\epsilon E / L) U}{\sigma \mathbf{E}} = \frac{\epsilon U}{\sigma L} \cong 10^{-8} \quad (11)$$

- Electrostatic forces much smaller than magnetic force

$$\frac{\rho_e \mathbf{E}}{\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B}} \cong \frac{\epsilon E^2}{\sigma L V B^2} \cong \frac{\epsilon V^2 B^2}{\sigma L V B^2} = \frac{\epsilon V}{\sigma L} \cong 10^{-8} \quad (12)$$

- Perfect electric conductor

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (13)$$





# Ideal MHD Equations

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$$\rho_t + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (14)$$

$$(\rho \mathbf{u})_t + \nabla \cdot \left( \rho \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u} + P^* \mathbf{I} - \frac{\mathbf{B} \mathbf{B}}{\mu} \right) = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_t + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (16)$$

$$E_t + \nabla \cdot \left[ (E + P^*) \mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{\mu} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{B} \right] = 0 \quad (17)$$



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Assuming that the variations in states are small from equilibrium value

$$\rho'_t + \rho_0 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}' = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$\rho_0 \mathbf{u}'_t + a^2 \nabla \rho' - \frac{(\nabla \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{B}_0}{\mu} = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{b}_t - \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}' \times \mathbf{B}_0) \quad (20)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0 \quad (21)$$

Note that we have used the approximation of isentropic process. Thus energy equation and momentum equation are the same. These equations yield 3 sets of wave solutions



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- One set of wave solutions are transverse waves. These contribute to change in fluid velocity and magnetic field while the pressure and density do not vary
- Effect of external magnetic field is a combination of an isotropic pressure of  $B^2/2\mu$  and a tension of  $B^2/\mu$
- Wave propagation possible through this magnetic tension

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{\mathbf{B}}{\sqrt{\mu\rho}} \quad (22)$$



# Slow and Fast MHD waves

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- The other two sets of wave solutions are longitudinal in nature. These are collectively called as magneto-sonic or magneto-acoustic waves.
- Wave nature depends on direction of wave propagation
- If wave is propagating in the direction of magnetic field, then they behave like sound waves ( $a = \sqrt{\gamma p / \rho}$ )
- Perpendicular to magnetic field, wave propagation also involves the compression and rarefaction of magnetic field lines along with pressure and density

$$V = \sqrt{a^2 + A^2} \quad (23)$$

- These two sets of wave solutions are called as Fast and Slow MHD waves



# Slow and Fast MHD waves

- System of coupled waves which vary the pressure, density, in-plane components of magnetic field etc.

$$c_{f,s}^2 = \frac{1}{2}[(a^2 + A^2)] \pm \sqrt{(a^2 + A^2)^2 - 4a^2A^2\cos^2\theta} \quad (24)$$

- If Alfvén wave is greater than the speed of sound, then, parallel to  $\mathbf{B}$ , the fast wave combines with the transverse (Alfvén) wave and the slow wave behaves as a pure sound wave.
- If Alfvén wave is lesser than the speed of sound, then, parallel to  $\mathbf{B}$ , the slow wave combines with the transverse (Alfvén) wave and the fast wave behaves as a pure sound wave.
- Perpendicular to the magnetic field, only the fast MHD wave exists with propagation speed given in 23



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- Smooth but rapid transitions through a region much smaller than the overall dimensions of interest.
- Equations below analysed from frame of shock
- For a ideal plasma(i.e perfect conductor and no excess charge and displacement current)

$$\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (25)$$

- Now from Poisson's equation  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 0$  and the fact that  $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$ ,

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}) = \nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (26)$$

- Thus the vector  $(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$  doesn't change across a discontinuity





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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial z} \quad (27)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho v \\ \rho w \\ B_x \\ B_y \\ B_z \\ E \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 + P^* \\ \rho uv - B_y B_x \\ \rho uw - B_z B_x \\ 0 \\ u B_y - v B_x \\ u B_z - w B_x \\ (E + P^*)u - B_x(u B_x + v B_y + w B_z) \end{pmatrix}$$



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$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho v \\ \rho v u - B_x B_y \\ \rho v^2 + P^* \\ \rho v w - B_z B_y \\ v B_x - v B_y \\ 0 \\ v B_z - w B_x \\ (E + P^*)v - B_y(u B_x + v B_y + w B_z) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho w \\ \rho w u - B_x B_z \\ \rho w v - B_z B_y \\ \rho w^2 + P^* \\ w B_x - u B_z \\ w B_y - v B_z \\ 0 \\ (E + P^*)w - B_z(u B_x + v B_y + w B_z) \end{pmatrix}$$



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- Gradients are assumed to exist only along the x-direction

$$\frac{\partial b_x}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$\frac{\partial b_x}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (29)$$

$$\frac{\partial b_y}{\partial t} = B_{0x} \frac{\partial u'_y}{\partial x} - B_{0y} \frac{\partial u'_x}{\partial x} \quad (30)$$

$$\frac{\partial b_z}{\partial t} = B_{0x} \frac{\partial u'_z}{\partial x} \quad (31)$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho'}{\partial t} = -\rho_0 \frac{\partial u'_x}{\partial x} \quad (32)$$

$$\frac{\partial u'_x}{\partial t} = -\frac{a^2}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial \rho'}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{\rho_0 \mu} B_{0y} \frac{\partial b_y}{\partial x} \quad (33)$$

$$\frac{\partial u'_y}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\rho \mu} B_{0x} \frac{\partial b_y}{\partial x} \quad (34)$$

$$\frac{\partial u'_z}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\rho \mu} B_{0x} \frac{\partial b_z}{\partial x} \quad (35)$$



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- From equations 28 and 29, we see that  $b_x = \text{constant}$
- Differentiate equation 31 w.r.t  $t$  and substitute equation 35. We get

$$\frac{\partial^2 b_z}{\partial t^2} = A_x^2 \frac{\partial^2 b_z}{\partial x^2} \quad (36)$$

where  $A_x = \frac{B_{0x}}{\sqrt{\rho_0 \mu}}$

- Similarly differentiate 35 w.r.t  $t$  and substitute using equation 31

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial t^2} = A_x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial x^2} \quad (37)$$



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- Differentiate equation 30 w.r.t  $t$  and substitute  $v'_y$  from equation 34 and  $v'_x$  from equation 33. We get

$$\frac{\partial^2 b_y}{\partial t^2} = \frac{B_0^2}{\rho_0 \mu} \frac{\partial^2 b_y}{\partial x^2} + \frac{a^2}{\rho_0} B_{0y} \frac{\partial^2 \rho'}{\partial x^2} \quad (38)$$

- Differentiate equation 32 w.r.t  $t$  and substitute  $v'_x$  from equation 33. We get

$$\frac{\partial^2 \rho'}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 \rho'}{\partial x^2} + \frac{B_{0y}}{\mu} \frac{\partial^2 b_y}{\partial x^2} \quad (39)$$

- Coupled equations



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- Substitute  $b_y = b_{0y} e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$  and  $\rho' = \rho'_0 e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$ . We get

$$\left( c^2 - \frac{B_0^2}{\rho\mu} \right) b_{0y} - \frac{a^2 B_{0y}}{\rho_0} \rho'_0 = 0 \quad (40)$$

$$(c^2 - a^2) \rho'_0 - \frac{B_{0y}}{\mu} b_{0y} = 0 \quad (41)$$

where  $\mathbf{c} = \omega \mathbf{k} / k^2$  or  $c = \omega / k$

- Applying the condition for non-trivial solutions,

$$c_{f,s} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{a^2 + 2aA_x + A^2} \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 2aA_x + A^2} \right) \quad (42)$$



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# MHD shock relations

From the ideal MHD equations we get:

$$[\rho u] = 0 \quad (43) \quad \left[ \rho u^2 + p + \frac{1}{2\mu}(B_y^2 + B_x^2) \right] = 0 \quad (44)$$

$$\left[ \rho uv - \frac{B_x B_y}{\mu} \right] = 0 \quad (45) \quad \left[ \rho uw - \frac{B_x B_z}{\mu} \right] = 0 \quad (46)$$

$$[uB_y - vB_x] = 0 \quad (47) \quad [wB_x - uB_z] = 0 \quad (48)$$

$$\left[ \rho u h_0 + \frac{u}{\mu}(B_y^2 + B_z^2) - \frac{B_x}{\mu}(vB_y + wB_z) \right] = 0 \quad (49)$$



# Rankine-Hugoniot Equation

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- Rearranging equation 49 using equations 43, 45 and 46 to remove  $u$ ,  $v$ ,  $w$  terms, we get

$$[h] + \frac{1}{2}m^2[\tau^2] + \frac{1}{\mu}[\tau B_t^2] - \frac{1}{2m^2} \frac{B_x^2}{\mu^2} [B_t^2] = 0 \quad (50)$$

where  $m = \rho u$  and  $\tau = 1/\rho$

- From equation 44,

$$m^2 = \frac{p_2 - p_1 + \frac{1}{2\mu}(B_{t_2}^2 - B_{t_1}^2)}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} \quad (51)$$

- From equations 45, 47 and equations 46, 48,

$$m^2 = \frac{B_x^2}{\mu} \frac{[B_y]}{[\tau B_y]} \quad (52) \quad m^2 = \frac{B_x^2}{\mu} \frac{[B_z]}{[\tau B_z]} \quad (53)$$

- Combining above equations and using  $h = e + p/\rho$

$$e_2 - e_1 + \frac{1}{2}(p_1 + p_2)(\tau_2 - \tau_1) + \frac{1}{4\mu}((B_{z_2} - B_{z_1})^2 + (B_{y_2} - B_{y_1})^2)(\tau_2 - \tau_1) = 0 \quad (54)$$



# Friedrichs' Shock equations

Defining suitable average values, equations 43 to 49 can be written as:

$$m[\tau] - [u] = 0 \quad (55) \quad m[u] + [p] + \frac{1}{\mu}(\tilde{B}_y[B_y] + \tilde{B}_z[B_z]) = 0 \quad (56)$$

$$m[v] - \frac{B_x}{\mu}[B_y] = 0 \quad (57) \quad m[w] - \frac{B_x}{\mu}[B_z] = 0 \quad (58)$$

$$m\tilde{\tau}[B_y] + \tilde{B}_y[u] - B_x[v] = 0 \quad (59) \quad m\tilde{\tau}[B_z] + \tilde{B}_z[u] - B_x[v] = 0 \quad (60)$$



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- Above equations form a system of equations for variables  $[u]$ ,  $[v]$ ,  $[w]$ ,  $[B_y]$ ,  $[B_z]$ ,  $[\tau]$
- Solve for the non-triviality of these equations by setting the determinant as zero.
- It gives three solutions of  $m$  -

$$m_A = \frac{B_x}{\sqrt{\mu \tilde{\tau}}} \quad (61)$$

$$m_{f,s}^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu \tilde{\tau}} - \frac{[\rho]}{[\tau]} \pm \sqrt{\frac{[\rho]^2}{[\tau]^2} + \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu^2 \tilde{\tau}^2} - \frac{2[\rho]}{[\tau] \tilde{\tau}} \frac{(\tilde{B}_x^2 + \tilde{B}_y^2 + \tilde{B}_z^2)}{\mu}} \right) \quad (62)$$



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$$[\tau] = -Cm \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{B_x^2}{\mu} \right) \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (63)$$

$$[u] = -Cm^2 \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{B_x^2}{\mu} \right) \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (64)$$

$$[v] = Cm^2 \left( \frac{1}{\mu} B_x \tilde{B}_y \right) \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (65)$$

$$[w] = Cm^2 \left( \frac{1}{\mu} B_x \tilde{B}_z \right) \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (66)$$

$$[B_y] = Cm^3 \tilde{B}_y \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (67)$$

$$[B_z] = Cm^3 \tilde{B}_z \left( m^2 \tilde{\tau} - \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu} \right) \quad (68)$$



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- On solving the Friedrichs' Shock equations, one set of equations can be shown to satisfy

$$m^2 = \frac{(-[\rho]/[\tau])(m^2 - B_x^2/\mu\tilde{\tau})}{m^2 - \tilde{B}^2/\mu\tilde{\tau}} \quad (69)$$

$$m_s^2 < \frac{B_x^2}{\mu\tilde{\tau}} \quad (70) \quad m_f^2 > \frac{\tilde{B}^2}{\mu\tilde{\tau}} > \frac{B_x^2}{\mu\tilde{\tau}} \quad (71)$$

- The fast shock velocity of a weak fast shock depends on the orientation of the magnetic field too while that of a weak shock wave depends on the normal component alone

$$[B_t^2] = -\frac{2m^2[\tau]\tilde{B}_t^2}{m^2\tilde{\tau} - B_x^2/\mu} \quad (72)$$

- Thus  $|B_t|$  increases across a fast shock and decreases across a slow shock



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- Switch-off shock - Slow shock for which  $B_{t_2}$  is zero but  $B_{t_1} \neq 0$
- Switch on shock - Fast shock with  $B_{t_2} > 0$  even though  $B_{t_1} = 0$
- Two dimensional shocks i.e  $B_{t_1} \parallel B_{t_2}$  so we can assume that the  $B_{z_1} = B_{z_2}$



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- Density doesn't change i.e  $[\rho] = 0 \implies [e] = 0 \implies [S] = 0$
- Only tangential magnetic field and tangential velocity changes across shock
- From 64, we see that  $[B_t^2] = 0$
- Rotation of tangential component of magnetic field in the plane of the shock





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$$\rho_1 V_1^2 + p_1 + \frac{B_{y1}^2}{2\mu} = \rho_1 V_1 u_2 + p_2 + \frac{B_{y2}^2}{\mu} \quad (73)$$

$$\frac{B_x}{\mu} B_{y1} = \frac{B_x}{\mu} B_{y2} - \rho_1 V_1 v_2 \quad (74)$$

$$V_1 B_{y1} = u_2 B_{y2} - B_x v_2 \quad (75)$$

$$V_1 \left( \frac{\gamma p_1}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{\rho_1 V_1^2}{2} + \frac{B_{y1}^2}{\mu} \right) = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} p_2 u_2 + \frac{\rho_1 V_1}{2} (u_2^2 + v_2^2) + \frac{V_1 B_{y1}}{\mu} \quad (76)$$



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- Seven types of shocks
- Alfvén Shock:  $[B_y^2] = 0$
- Fast Shocks:  $[B_y^2] > 0$ 
  - Type 1:  $q \geq 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \sin^2 \theta$
  - Type 2:  $q < 1 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \sin^2 \theta$
- Slow Shocks:  $[B_y^2] < 0$ 
  - Type 1:  $q \geq 1 - \gamma \sin^2 \theta$
  - Type 2:  $q < 1 - \gamma \sin^2 \theta$

where  $q = \frac{\gamma P_1 \mu}{B_1^2}$



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- Assuming that the gradients exist only in x-direction

$$\mathbf{u}_t + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}_x) = 0 \quad (77)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho v \\ \rho w \\ B_y \\ B_z \\ E \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u^2 + P^* \\ \rho uv - B_y B_x \\ \rho uw - B_z B_x \\ 0 \\ uB_y - vB_x \\ uB_z - wB_x \\ (E + P^*)u - B_x(uB_x + vB_y + wB_z) \end{pmatrix}$$



# 1D MHD Eigenstructure

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- $\lambda_e = u$
- $\lambda_a^\pm = u \pm c_a$
- $\lambda_f^\pm = u \pm c_f$
- $\lambda_s^\pm = u \pm c_s$
- Eigenvectors proposed by Jeffrey and Tanuiti, become singular at points where two or more eigenvalue coincide
- Eigenvalues were re-normalised by Brio and Wu to ensure that they are well defined at all points. But they fail at the triple umbilic point
- In this project Brio-Wu eigenvectors have been used



# 1D MHD Wave structure

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- Equations are non convex in structure leading to intermediate shocks
- These non evolutionary discontinuities are solutions of MHD Rankine Hugoniot Jump conditions
- Initially, all non evolutionary shocks were rejected, but they were observed in the Brio-Wu Shock Tube solution and also in Voyager I data
- The exact wave structure is still under debate



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# Godunov schemes for 1D MHD

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- Assumes piecewise constant distribution of form

$$\mathbf{U}_i^n = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} \tilde{\mathbf{U}}(x, t^n) dx \quad (78)$$

- Conservative law given by

$$\mathbf{U}_i^{n+1} = \mathbf{U}_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left[ \mathbf{F}_{i+1/2}^n - \mathbf{F}_{i-1/2}^n \right] \quad (79)$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{i+1/2}^n = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}_{i+1/2}^n) \quad (80)$$

- $\mathbf{U}_{i+1/2}^n$  estimated by solving local Riemann problem i.e  $\mathbf{U}_{i+1/2}^n = RP[\mathbf{U}_i^n, \mathbf{U}_{i+1}^n]$
- Solve two Riemann problems  $RP[\mathbf{U}_{i-1}^n, \mathbf{U}_i^n]$ ,  $RP[\mathbf{U}_i^n, \mathbf{U}_{i+1}^n]$  for conservative law above, take integral average for cell  $i$  of the combined solutions and assign it to  $\mathbf{U}_i^{n+1}$





# Linear Riemann Solver

Roe averaging has been used to estimate  $\mathbf{u}_{i+1/2}^n$

$$\bar{\rho} = \sqrt{\rho_L \rho_R} \quad (81) \quad \bar{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_L} \mathbf{u}_L + \sqrt{\rho_R} \mathbf{u}_R}{\sqrt{\rho_L} + \sqrt{\rho_R}} \quad (82)$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{B}} = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_L} \mathbf{B}_L + \sqrt{\rho_R} \mathbf{B}_R}{\sqrt{\rho_L} + \sqrt{\rho_R}} \quad (83) \quad \bar{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_L} H_L + \sqrt{\rho_R} H_R}{\sqrt{\rho_L} + \sqrt{\rho_R}} \quad (84)$$

- Rarefaction waves are assumed to be shocks
- Now evaluate Jacobian at the row averaged values
- Diagonalize the Jacobian  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}$  and consider  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \mathbf{U}$
- Now calculate  $\mathbf{V}_{i+1/2}$  using the fact that only one component of  $\mathbf{V}$  will change across an eigen value wave
- $\mathbf{U}_{i+1/2} = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{V}_{i+1/2}$



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- Extension of Sod's shock tube problem in MHD
- Anti-parallel magnetic field components on either side of initial discontinuity
- Consists of two fast refractions, two slow shocks and a contact discontinuity

$$\mathbf{w}_L = [1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1] \quad (85)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_R = [0.125, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0, 1] \quad (86)$$



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- Domain of  $x$  from  $(-1, 1)$
- $\Delta t = 0.2$
- CFL number assumed to be constant = 0.475
- Results have been properly validated



# Density plot

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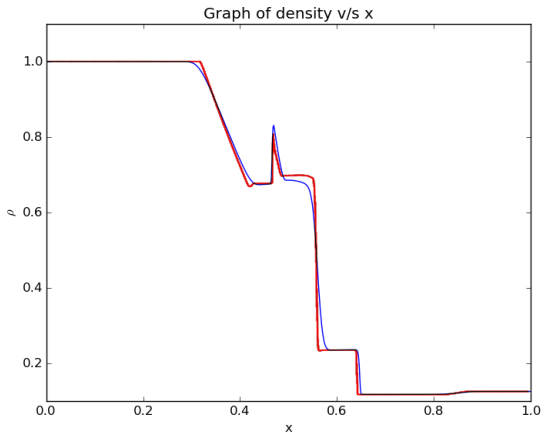


Figure: Density



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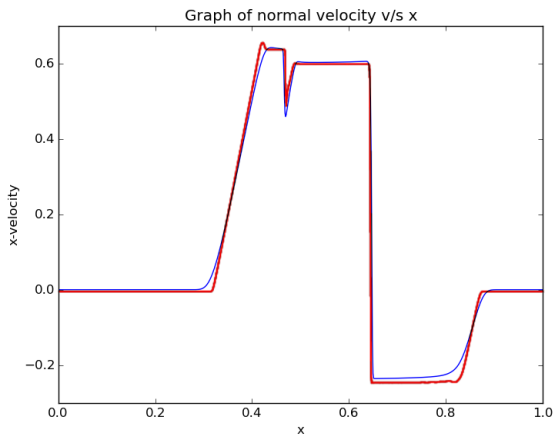


Figure:  $u_x$



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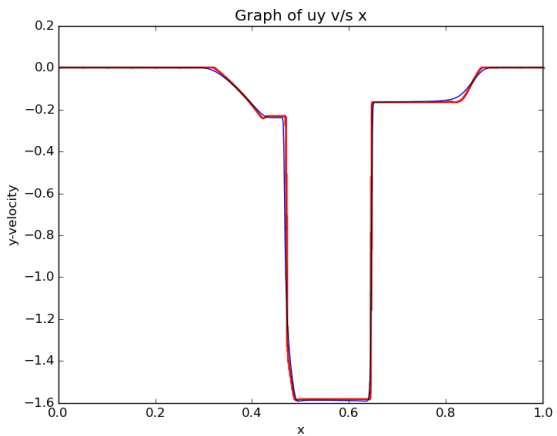


Figure:  $u_y$





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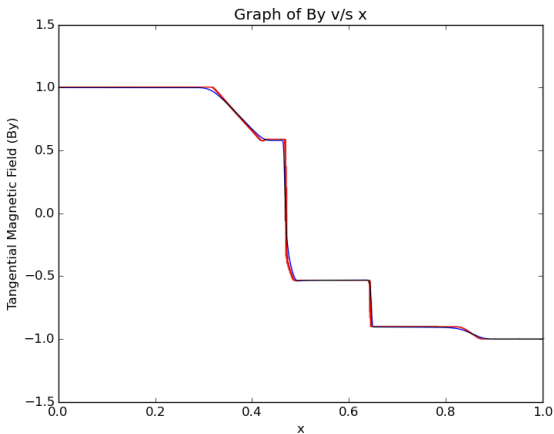


Figure:  $B_y$



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There are 4 waves formed in the shock tube. From left to right, they can be listed as follows:

- Fast rarefaction waves
- Slow Compound waves
- Contact discontinuity - Not a wave as pressure remains constant
- Slow shock
- Fast rarefaction wave



# Conclusion

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- The possibility of compound wave/intermediate shocks was shown
- The variation of  $\rho$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$ , and  $p$  were shown to follow the Rankine - Hugoniot Jump Conditions
- The nature of these waves is very different from the normal hydrodynamic case owing to the non convexity of the equations



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