

# Solving ill posed problems

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# Prologue - Lax equivalence principle



Peter D. Lax

Formulation for **LINEAR** problems

- **Stability** - uniform bounds of approximate solutions
- **Consistency** - vanishing approximation error

$\implies$

- **Convergence** - approximate solutions converge to exact solution

# Euler system of gas dynamics

## Equation of continuity – Mass conservation

$$\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{m} = 0, \quad \mathbf{m} = \varrho \mathbf{u}$$

## Momentum equation – Newton's second law

$$\partial_t \mathbf{m} + \operatorname{div}_x \frac{\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}}{\varrho} + \nabla_x p(\varrho) = 0, \quad p(\varrho) = a\varrho^\gamma$$

## Impermeability and/or periodic boundary condition

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0, \quad \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \text{or } \Omega = \mathbb{T}^d$$

## Initial state

$$\varrho(0, \cdot) = \varrho_0, \quad \mathbf{m}(0, \cdot) = \mathbf{m}_0$$



Leonhard Paul  
Euler  
1707–1783

# Classical solutions

- **Local existence.** Classical solutions exist locally in time as long as the initial data are regular and the initial density strictly positive
- **Finite time blow-up.** Classical solutions develop singularity (become discontinuous) in a *finite* time for a fairly generic class of initial data



# Mythology concerning Euler equations in several dimensions

- **Existence.** The long time existence of (possibly weak) solutions is not known
- **Uniqueness.** There is no (known) selection criterion to identify a unique solution (semiflow)
- **Computation.** Oscillatory solutions cannot be visualized by numerical simulation (weak convergence)

# Weak (distributional) solutions



Jacques  
Hadamard  
1865–1963



Laurent  
Schwartz  
1915–2002

## Mass conservation

$$\int_B [\varrho(t_2, \cdot) - \varrho(t_1, \cdot)] dx = - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\partial B} \varrho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS_x dt$$

$$\left[ \int_{\Omega} \varrho \varphi dx \right]_{t=0}^{t=\tau} = \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} [\varrho \partial_t \varphi + \mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla_x \varphi] dx dt, \quad \mathbf{m} \equiv \varrho \mathbf{u}$$

## Momentum balance

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_B [\mathbf{m}(t_2, \cdot) - \mathbf{m}(t_1, \cdot)] dx \\ &= - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\partial B} [\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} + p(\varrho) \mathbf{n}] dS_x dt \\ & \quad \left[ \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{m} \cdot \varphi dx \right]_{t=0}^{t=\tau} \\ &= \int_0^{\tau} \int_{\Omega} \left[ \mathbf{m} \cdot \partial_t \varphi + \frac{\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}}{\varrho} : \nabla_x \varphi + p(\varrho) \operatorname{div}_x \varphi \right] dx dt \end{aligned}$$

# Time irreversibility – energy dissipation

## Energy

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}|^2}{\varrho} + P(\varrho), \quad P'(\varrho)\varrho - P(\varrho) = p(\varrho)$$

$$p' \geq 0 \Rightarrow [\varrho, \mathbf{m}] \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}|^2}{\varrho} + P(\varrho) & \text{if } \varrho > 0 \\ P(\varrho) & \text{if } |\mathbf{m}| = 0, \varrho \geq 0 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{is convex l.s.c.}$$

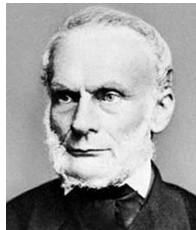
## Energy balance (conservation)

$$\partial_t \mathcal{E} + \operatorname{div}_x \left( \mathcal{E} \frac{\mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right) + \operatorname{div}_x \left( p \frac{\mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right) = 0$$

## Energy dissipation

$$\partial_t \mathcal{E} + \operatorname{div}_x \left( \mathcal{E} \frac{\mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right) + \operatorname{div}_x \left( p \frac{\mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right) \leq 0$$

$$E = \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{E} \, dx, \quad \partial_t E \leq 0, \quad E(0+) = \int_{\Omega} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}_0|^2}{\varrho_0} + P(\varrho_0) \right] \, dx$$



Rudolf  
Clausius  
1822–1888

### III posedness

#### Theorem [A.Abbatiello, EF 2019]



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Let  $d = 2, 3$ . Let  $\varrho_0, \mathbf{m}_0$  be given such that

$$\varrho_0 \in \mathcal{R}, \quad 0 \leq \underline{\varrho} \leq \varrho_0 \leq \bar{\varrho},$$

$$\mathbf{m}_0 \in \mathcal{R}, \quad \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{m}_0 \in \mathcal{R}, \quad \mathbf{m}_0 \cdot \mathbf{n}|_{\partial\Omega} = 0.$$

Let  $\{\tau_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, T)$  be an arbitrary (countable dense) set of times.

Then the Euler problem admits infinitely many weak solutions  $\varrho, \mathbf{m}$  with a strictly decreasing total energy profile such that

$$\varrho \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^\gamma(\Omega)), \quad \mathbf{m} \in C_{\text{weak}}([0, T]; L^{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma+1}}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d))$$

but

$t \mapsto [\varrho(t, \cdot), \mathbf{m}(t, \cdot)]$  is not strongly continuous at any  $\tau_i$



# FV numerical scheme

$$(\varrho_h^0, \mathbf{u}_h^0) = (\Pi_{\mathcal{T}} \varrho_0, \Pi_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{u}_0)$$

$$D_t \varrho_K^k + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}(K)} \frac{|\sigma|}{|K|} F_h(\varrho_h^k, \mathbf{u}_h^k) = 0$$

$$D_t (\varrho_h^k \mathbf{u}_h^k)_K + \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{E}(K)} \frac{|\sigma|}{|K|} \left( \mathbf{F}_h(\varrho_h^k \mathbf{u}_h^k, \mathbf{u}_h^k) + \overline{p(\rho_h^k)} \mathbf{n} - h^\beta [[\mathbf{u}_h^k]] \right) = 0.$$

**Discrete time derivative**

$$D_t r_K^k = \frac{r_K^k - r_K^{k-1}}{\Delta t}$$

**Upwind, fluxes**

$$\text{Up}[r, \mathbf{v}] = \bar{r} \bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \mathbf{n} - \frac{1}{2} |\bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \mathbf{n}| [[r]]$$

$$F_h(r, \mathbf{v}) = \text{Up}[r, \mathbf{v}] - h^\alpha [[r]]$$



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# Consistent approximation

## Equation of continuity

$$\int_0^T \int_{\Omega} [\varrho_n \partial_t \varphi + \mathbf{m}_n \cdot \nabla_x \varphi] dx dt = e_{1,n}[\varphi]$$

## Momentum equation

$$\int_0^T \int_{\Omega} \left[ \mathbf{m}_n \cdot \partial_t \varphi + \frac{\mathbf{m}_n \otimes \mathbf{m}_n}{\varrho_n} : \nabla_x \varphi + p(\varrho_n) \operatorname{div}_x \varphi \right] dx dt = e_{2,n}[\varphi]$$

## Stability - bounded energy

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho_n, \mathbf{m}_n) \equiv \int_{\Omega} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}_n|^2}{\varrho_n} + P(\varrho_n) \right] dx \lesssim 1$$

## Consistency

$$e_{1,n}[\varphi] \rightarrow 0, e_{2,n}[\varphi] \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

# Weak vs strong convergence

## Weak convergence

$$\varrho_n \rightarrow \varrho \text{ weakly-} (*) L^\infty(0, T; L^\gamma(\Omega))$$

$$\mathbf{m}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{m} \text{ weakly-} (*) L^\infty(0, T; L^{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma+1}}(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d))$$

## Strong convergence (Theorem EF, M.Hofmanová)

- Suppose

$$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d \text{ bounded}$$

$\varrho_n \rightarrow \varrho, \mathbf{m}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{m}$  strongly a.a. pointwise in  $\mathcal{U}$  open,  $\partial\Omega \subset \mathcal{U}$

- Then the following is equivalent:

$\varrho, \mathbf{m}$  weak solution to the Euler system

$\Leftrightarrow$

$\varrho_n \rightarrow \varrho, \mathbf{m}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{m}$  strongly (pointwise) in  $\Omega$



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# Dissipative solutions – limits of numerical schemes

## Equation of continuity

$$\partial_t \boxed{\varrho} + \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{m} = 0$$

## Momentum balance

$$\partial_t \boxed{\mathbf{m}} + \operatorname{div}_x \left( \frac{\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right) + \nabla_x p(\varrho) = -\operatorname{div}_x (\mathfrak{R}_v + \mathfrak{R}_p \mathbb{I})$$

## Energy inequality

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(t) \leq 0, \quad E(t) \leq E_0, \quad E_0 = \int_{\Omega} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}_0|^2}{\varrho_0} + P(\varrho_0) \right] dx$$

$$\boxed{E} \equiv \left( \int_{\Omega} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}|^2}{\varrho} + P(\varrho) \right] dx + \int_{\bar{\Omega}} d \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{trace}[\mathfrak{R}_v] + \int_{\bar{\Omega}} d \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} \mathfrak{R}_p \right)$$

## Turbulent defect measures

$$\mathfrak{R}_v \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{M}^+(\bar{\Omega}; R_{\operatorname{sym}}^{d \times d})), \quad \mathfrak{R}_p \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{M}^+(\bar{\Omega}))$$



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# Basic properties of dissipative solutions

## Well posedness, weak strong uniqueness

- **Existence.** Dissipative solutions exist globally in time for any finite energy initial data
- **Limits of consistent approximations** Limits of consistent approximations are dissipative solutions, in particular limits of consistent numerical schemes.
- **Compatibility.** Any  $C^1$  dissipative solution  $[\varrho, \mathbf{m}]$ ,  $\varrho > 0$  is a classical solution of the Euler system
- **Weak–strong uniqueness.** If  $[\tilde{\varrho}, \tilde{\mathbf{m}}]$  is a classical solution and  $[\varrho, \mathbf{m}]$  a dissipative solution starting from the same initial data, then  $\mathfrak{R}_v = \mathfrak{R}_p = 0$  and  $\varrho = \tilde{\varrho}$ ,  $\mathbf{m} = \tilde{\mathbf{m}}$ .

# Convergence of oscillatory sequences

## ■ Non-oscillatory sequence

$$U_n = a_n U, \quad a_n \searrow 0, \quad \|U\| = 1$$

$$\left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N U_n \right\| = \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N a_n \right| \|U\| \geq \boxed{a_N}$$

## ■ Oscillatory sequence

$U_n$  orthonormal basis in  $L^2$ ,  $U_n = \exp(inx)$

$$\|U_n\|_{L^2} = 1, \quad \int U_n U_m = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^N U_n \right\|_{L^2}^2 = \sum_{n=1}^N \|U_n\|_{L^2}^2 = N \Rightarrow \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N U_n \right\|_{L^2} \leq \boxed{N^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$$

## Strong instead of weak (numerics)

### Komlos theorem (a variant of Strong Law of Large Numbers)

$$\{U_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ bounded in } L^1(Q)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N U_{n_k} \rightarrow \bar{U} \text{ a.a. in } Q \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$



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### Convergence of numerical solutions - EF, M.Lukáčová, H.Mizerová 2018

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \varrho_{n_k} \rightarrow \varrho \text{ in } L^1((0, T) \times \Omega) \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \mathbf{m}_{n_k} \rightarrow \mathbf{m} \text{ in } L^1((0, T) \times \Omega) \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{m}_{n,k}|^2}{\varrho_{n,k}} + P(\varrho_{n,k}) \right] \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{E}} \in L^1((0, T) \times \Omega) \text{ a.a. in } (0, T) \times \Omega$$

# Computing defect – Young measure

## Generating Young measure

$\mathbf{U}_n = [\varrho_n, \mathbf{m}_n] \in R^{d+1}$  phase space

$\{\mathbf{U}_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  bounded in  $L^1(Q; R^d) \approx \nu_{t,x}^n = \delta_{\mathbf{U}_n(t,x)}$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \nu_{t,x}^{n_k} \rightarrow \nu_{t,x} \text{ narrowly } \boxed{\text{a.a.}} \text{ in } Q \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

## Young measure

$(t, x) \in Q \mapsto \nu_{t,x} \in \mathcal{P}[R^{d+1}]$  weakly-(\*) measurable mapping



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$$\mathfrak{R}_p \approx \langle \nu; p(\varrho) \rangle - p(\varrho)$$

$$\mathfrak{R}_v \approx \left\langle \nu; \frac{\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}}{\varrho} \right\rangle - \frac{\mathbf{m} \otimes \mathbf{m}}{\varrho}$$



# Computing defect numerically -EF, M.Lukáčová, B.She

## Monge–Kantorowich (Wasserstein) distance

$$\left\| \text{dist} \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \nu_{t,x}^{n_k}; \nu_{t,x} \right) \right\|_{L^q(Q)} \rightarrow 0$$

for some  $q > 1$

## Convergence in the first variation

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \left\langle \nu_{t,x}^{n_k}; \left| \tilde{\mathbf{u}} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \mathbf{u}_n \right| \right\rangle \rightarrow \left\langle \nu_{t,x}; \left| \tilde{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{u} \right| \right\rangle$$

in  $L^1(Q)$



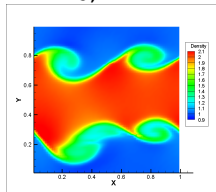
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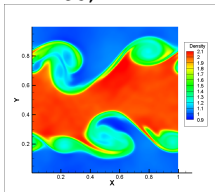
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# Experiment I, density for Kelvin–Helmholtz problem (M. Lukáčová, Yue Wang)

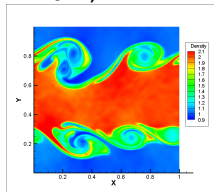
density  $\varrho$   
 $n = 128, T = 2$



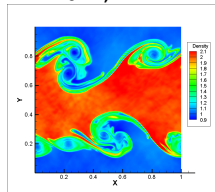
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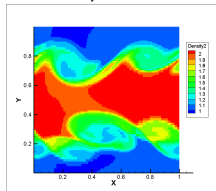
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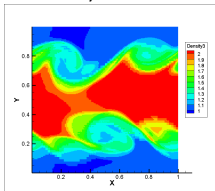
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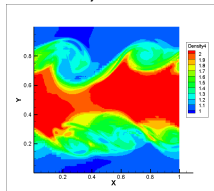
Cèsaro averages  
density  $\varrho$   
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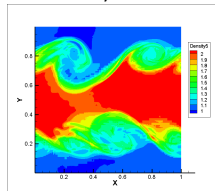
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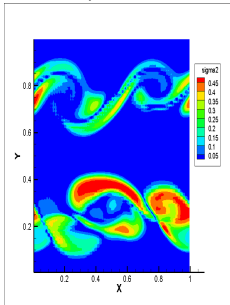


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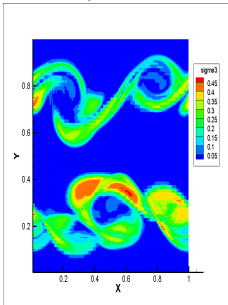


# Experiment II, density variations for Kelvin–Helmholtz problem (M. Lukáčová, Yue Wang)

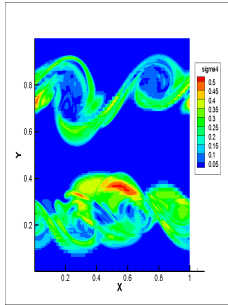
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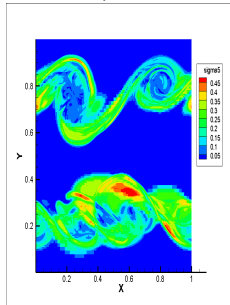
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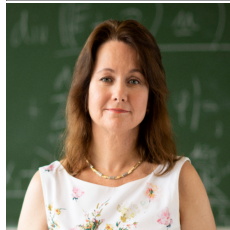
density variation  
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density variation  
 $n = 1024, T = 2$



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