

Differential Equations II

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Week 02

① Example:

• Consider: $x u_x + y u_y + (x^2 + y^2) u_z = 0$

• Characteristic System:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= x \\ \dot{y} &= y \\ \dot{z} &= (x^2 + y^2)\end{aligned}$$

• General Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= c_1 e^t \\ y(t) &= c_2 e^t \\ z(t) &= \frac{1}{2} (c_1^2 + c_2^2) e^{2t} + c_3\end{aligned}$$

• With this: $u(x(t), y(t), z(t)) = u(c_1 e^t, c_2 e^t, \frac{1}{2} (c_1^2 + c_2^2) e^{2t} + c_3) = \text{const.}$

• We know: $e^t = \frac{x(t)}{c_1} = \frac{y(t)}{c_2} \Rightarrow \frac{y(t)}{x(t)} = \frac{c_2}{c_1} = C \in \mathbb{R}$

and: $z(t) = \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2) + c_3 \Rightarrow z(t) - \frac{1}{2} (x(t)^2 + y(t)^2) = d \in \mathbb{R}$

So: only c and d determine the value of u along charact. curves.

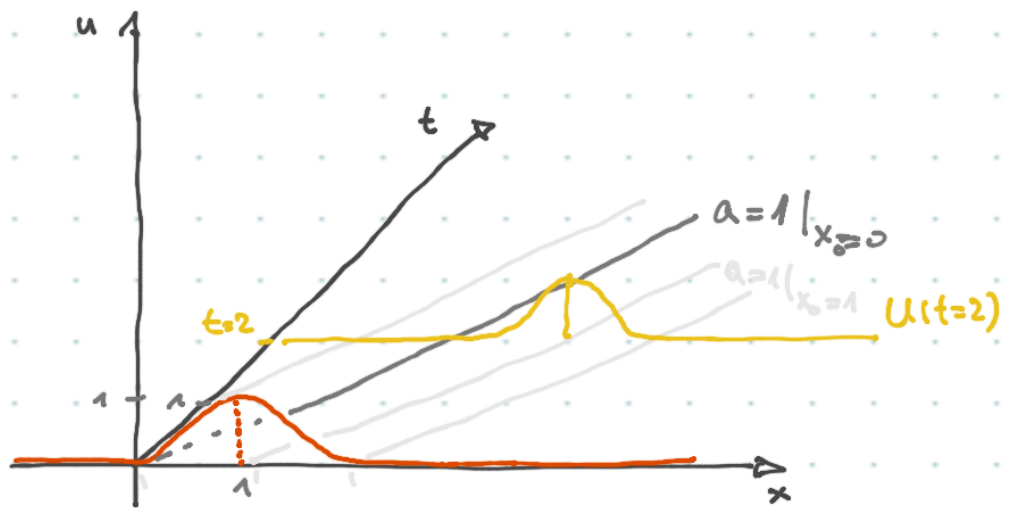
• Representation of solution:

$$u(x, y, z) = \phi\left(\frac{y}{x}, z - \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2)\right)$$

with arbitrary C^1 -function $\phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

② Interpretation of the transport eq.

- Transport eq in $\mathbb{R} \times]0, \infty[$: $u_t + a \cdot u_x = 0$ with $u = u_0$ on $\mathbb{R} \times \{t=0\}$
- Solution : $u(x, t) = u_0(x - at)$



Week 03

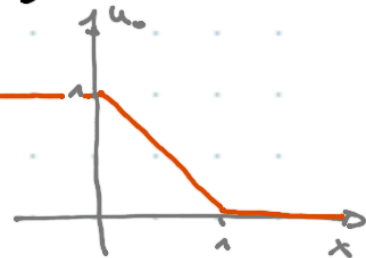
① Burgers' eq.

- Considers Cauchy problem with flux function $f(u) = \frac{u^2}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_t + u u_x &= 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R} \times]0, \infty[\\
 u &= u_0 & \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times \{t=0\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Initial conditions

$$u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & , x \leq 0 \\ 1-x & , 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & , 1 \leq x \end{cases}$$

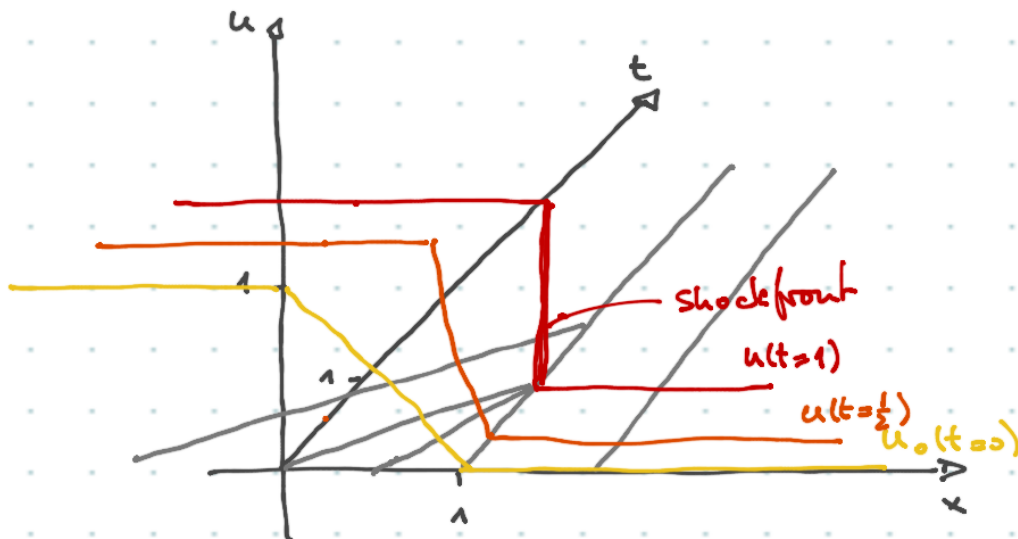


- Solve by method of char. $\dot{x} = u$, $x(0) = x_0$
- Solution is constant along characteristic curves $x(t)$, i.e.

$$\dot{x} = u_0(x_0) \Rightarrow x(t) = x_0 + t u_0(x_0)$$

- Fill this into the specific initial condition above:

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} t + x_0 & x_0 \leq 0 \\ (1-x_0)t + x_0 & 0 < x_0 < 1 \\ x_0 & 1 \leq x_0 \end{cases}$$



② Test functions + weak solution

- Let $v : \mathbb{R} \times [0, \infty[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable fct. with compact support.
- Let the Cauchy problem $u_t + f(u)_x = 0$ in $\mathbb{R} \times]0, \infty[$, $u = u_0$ on $\mathbb{R} \times \{t=0\}$
- Multiply and integrate:

$$0 = \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty (u_t + f(u)_x) v \, dx \, dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u v_t \, dx \, dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{u(x, \infty) v(x, \infty)}_{\text{compact supp.} = 0} \, dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{u(x, 0) v(x, 0)}_{= u_0(x)} \, dx \\
&- \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) v_x \, dx \, dt + \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{u(\infty, t) v(\infty, t)}_{= 0} \, dt + \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{u(-\infty, t) v(-\infty, t)}_{= 0} \, dt \\
&= - \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u v_t \, dx \, dt + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0(x) v(x, 0) \, dx - \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) v_x \, dx \, dt
\end{aligned}$$

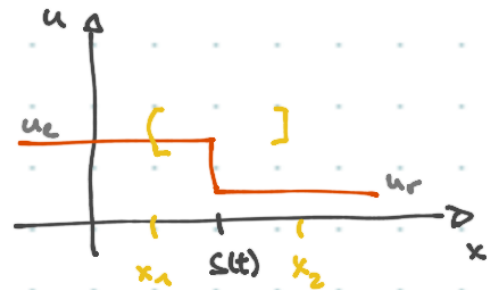
$$\Rightarrow 0 = \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (u v_t + f(u) v_x) \, dx \, dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0(x) v(x, 0) \, dx$$

④ Reasoning for Rankine-Hugoniot condition

- An integral solution fulfills:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} u(\xi, t) \, d\xi = f(u(x_1, t)) - f(u(x_2, t))$$

- Choose $x_1 < s(t) < x_2$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_{x_1}^{s(t)} u(\xi, t) \, d\xi + \int_{s(t)}^{x_2} u(\xi, t) \, d\xi \right) = f(u(x_1, t)) - f(u(x_2, t))$$

- Now u is differentiable to the right and left of $s(t)$, resp., therefore

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x_1}^{s(t)} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \, d\xi + \dot{s} u(s(t)^-, t) - \int_{s(t)}^{x_2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \, d\xi + \dot{s} u(s(t)^+, t) + f_2 - f_1 = 0$$

with $f_1 = f(u(x_1, t))$, $f_2 = f(u(x_2, t))$

• The limit process $x_1 \rightarrow S(t)^-$, $x_2 \rightarrow S(t)^+$ lead to vanishing integrals

$$\rightarrow \dot{s} \underbrace{u(S(t)^-, t)}_{u_L} - \dot{s} \underbrace{u(S(t)^+, t)}_{u_R} = \underbrace{f(u(S(t)^-, t))}_{f_L} - \underbrace{f(u(S(t)^+, t))}_{f_R}$$

$[u]$ $[f]$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{s} = \frac{[f]}{[u]}$$

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