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Exact Solutions for Shallow Water Equations
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Non Linear Systems Considered

We are interested by fluid flow problems described by such non linear systems :

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F(W)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial G(W)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial H(W)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (1)$$

Examples :

Euler equations in one space dimension

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u^2 + P)}{\partial x} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial[u(E + P)]}{\partial x} = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (2)$$

with ideal gas equation of state : $p = (\gamma - 1) \left(E - \frac{1}{2} \rho u^2 \right)$, where ρ is fluid density, u the velocity, E the energy, and p : the pressure.

Shallow Water Flow

We consider water flow in a configuration where the water depth is neglectible when compared to the characteristic length of the domain. [3]).

If the bottom is flat, and the friction neglectible, the problem is described by the following system :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial x} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

h being the water depth, u the velocity, and g the gravity constant.

Exact solution for 1D scalar problems

Introduction

Consider the scalar problem :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f(u)}{\partial x} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \times]0, T[\\ u = u(x, t) \in \mathbb{R} \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{array} \right. \quad (4)$$

In the sequel, note $X = \mathbb{R} \times [0, T[$.

Example, Burger's equation : $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{u^2}{2} \right) = 0$

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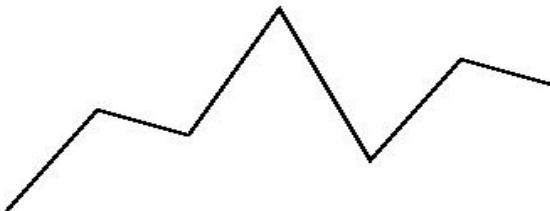
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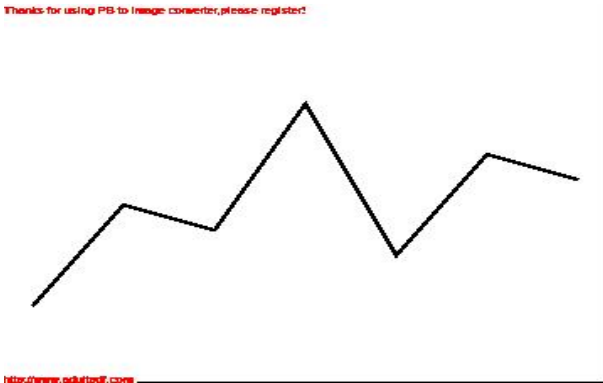
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2. Burger's equation

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here $f(u) = \frac{u^2}{2}$, then $a(u) = f'(u) = u$

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Consider the different initial conditions :

case 1

$$u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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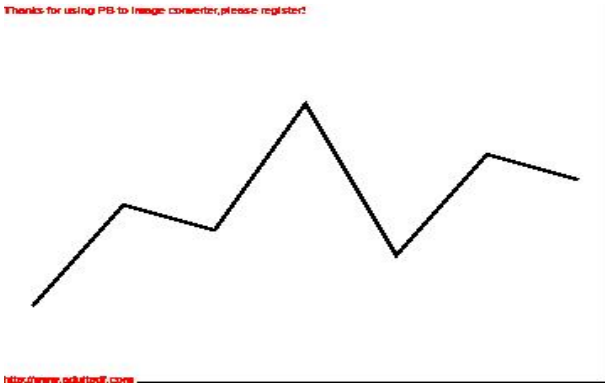
case 2

$$u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

case $x_0 < 0$, $x = x_0 + t$, $u_2(x, t) = u_0(x - t) = u_0(x_0) = 1$

case $x_0 \geq 0$, $x = x_0$, $u_2(x, t) = u_0(x) = 0$

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Discontinuous solution and jump condition :

Theorem

The 3 following assertions are equivalent :

i) u is a weak solution of problem (4) , i.e :

$$\int_0^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(u \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} + f(u) \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \right) dx dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_0(x) \varphi(x, 0) dx = 0,$$

$$\forall \varphi \in D(\mathbb{R} \times [0, +\infty[)$$

ii) $\forall R = [x_1, x_2] \times [t_1, t_2] \subset \Omega = \mathbb{R} \times [0, T]$,

$$\int_{\partial R} [u \cdot n_t + f(u) \cdot n_x] d\sigma = 0$$

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iii) If u is C^1 , u is classical solution of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(u) = 0$, and on a shock curve $\Gamma(u_l, u_r)$, the solution is governed by the jump condition : $[f(u)] = s[u]$.

One defines the jump $[u] = u_r - u_l$, and the curve $\Gamma(u_l, u_r)$, which equation is : $\frac{dx}{dt} = s$, separates the left and right states u_l and u_r

The jump condition is called the Rankine-Hugoniot condition in gas dynamics.

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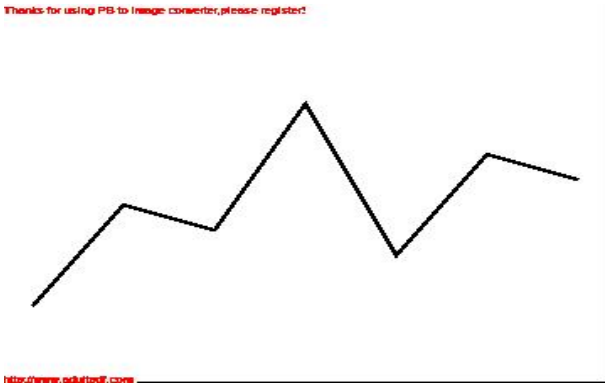
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Application : the first weak solution in example (7) is non entropic, and hence non admissible.



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