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# Transonic Shocks in Divergent Nozzles

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## Conservation Laws

$$\partial_t \int_{\Omega} q(x, t) dx - \int_{\partial\Omega} \vec{F}(q, x, t) \cdot \vec{n}_{out} dA(x) = 0$$

or  $\partial_t q + \operatorname{div} \vec{F} = 0$

## Steady State

$$\boxed{\operatorname{div} \vec{F} = 0}$$

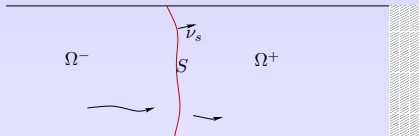
## Euler system for steady compressible inviscid flow

$$\operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u}) = 0, \quad \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u} + pI) = \vec{0}$$
$$\operatorname{div}(\vec{u} \rho (\frac{1}{2} |\vec{u}|^2 + e + \frac{p}{\rho})) = \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u} B) = 0$$

Ideal polytropic gas  $e = \frac{p}{(\gamma-1)\rho}$  ( $\gamma > 1$ ), entropy =  $c_v \ln \frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} + \kappa$

Sound speed  $c = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma p}{\rho}}$  Mach number  $M = \frac{|\vec{u}|}{c}$

$(\rho, \vec{u}, p)$  is **supersonic** if  $M > 1$ , **subsonic** if  $M < 1$ , **sonic** if  $M = 1$ .



If  $\vec{F} \in C^1(\Omega^\pm) \cap L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$  satisfies  $div \vec{F} = 0$  in  $\Omega^\pm$ , then  $\forall \phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega^+ \cup \Omega^-} \vec{F} \cdot D\phi dx &= \int_S (\vec{F}^- \cdot \nu_{out}^- + \vec{F}^+ \cdot \nu_{out}^+) \phi dA \\ &= \int_S (\vec{F}^- - \vec{F}^+) \cdot \nu_s \phi dA \end{aligned}$$

### Rankine-Hugoniot conditions

$$[\rho \vec{u} \cdot \nu_s]_S = [\rho(\vec{u} \cdot \nu_s) \vec{u} + p \nu_s]_S = [\rho B \vec{u} \cdot B]_S = 0$$

**Shock** A jump transition of flow data across a surface with  $\vec{u} \cdot \nu_s \neq 0$

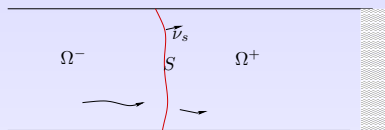
$M_1 > 1 \xrightarrow{S} M_2 > 1$ : supersonic-supersonic shock

$M_1 > 1 \xrightarrow{S} M_2 < 1$ : supersonic-subsonic shock or **transonic shock**

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# A shock solution to the steady Euler system

$(\rho, \vec{u}, p)$  weak solution in  $\Omega$  +  $C^1$  solution in  $\Omega^\pm$



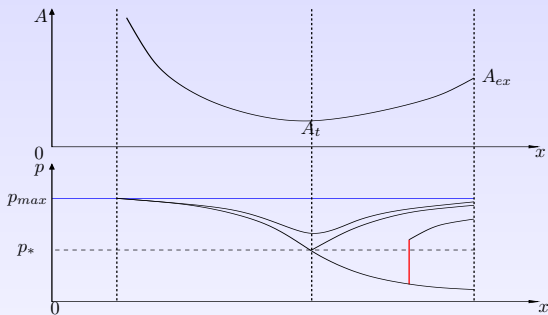
$(\rho, \vec{u}, p) \in L^1_{loc}(\Omega)$  is a (**transonic**) **shock solution** if

- ▶  $(\rho, \vec{u}, p) \in C^0(\overline{\Omega^\pm}) \cap C^1(\Omega^\pm)$
- ▶  $\int_{\Omega} \rho \vec{u} \cdot D\phi = \int_{\Omega} (\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u} + pI) \cdot D\phi = \int_{\Omega} \rho \vec{u} B \cdot D\phi = 0 \quad \forall \phi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$
- ▶  $(0 < \vec{u}^+ \cdot \nu_s < \vec{u}^- \cdot \nu_s$  on  $S$ , and  $M > 1$  in  $\Omega^-$ ,  $M < 1$  in  $\Omega^+$ )
- ▶  $[\rho \vec{u} \cdot \nu_s]_S = [(\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u} + pI) \cdot \nu_s]_S = [\rho B \vec{u} \cdot \nu_s]_S = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u}) = \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u} + pI) = \operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u} B) = 0 \text{ in } \Omega^\pm \text{ (} n + 2 \text{ equations)} \\ [\rho \vec{u} \cdot \nu_s]_S = [(\rho \vec{u} \otimes \vec{u} + pI) \cdot \nu_s]_S = [\rho B \vec{u} \cdot \nu_s]_S = 0, \end{cases}$$

## Flow through a de Laval nozzle

Given  $(\rho_\infty, \vec{u}_\infty, p_\infty)$  with  $M_\infty < 1$ , and  $p_{ex} (> p_*)$ , find  $(\rho, \vec{u}, p)$  to describe Euler flow through a de Laval nozzle.

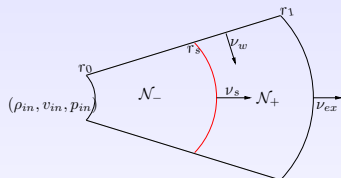


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- ▶ subsonic flow ( $M < 1$ ) in the convergent part.
- ▶ a sonic curve ( $M = 1$ ) at the throat, and supersonic flow ( $M > 1$ ) behind the sonic curve.
- ▶ Given  $p_{ex}$ , locate the transonic shock  $S$  and find the corresponding subsonic flow ( $M < 1$ ) downstream so that  $p = p_{ex}$  holds on  $\Gamma_{ex}$ .

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- ✓ T.-P. Liu(1982, CMP) stability of transonic shocks in divergent nozzles  
[Transonic shocks in 2-d divergent nozzle](#)



- ✓ **Constant data** H.-R. Yuan(2008 ARWA)

$$(\rho, \vec{u}, p) = (\rho(r), v(r)\hat{r}, p(r)), \quad S = \{r = r_s\}$$

- ✓ **Data smoothly perturbed from constant data, Full Euler system**
  - ▶ L.Liu & H.-R. Yuan(2008 JHPDE): 2-d annulus
  - ▶ Z.-P. Xin & H.-C. Yin(2005 CPAM, 2009 JDE), S.-X. Chen(2009 CMP): 2-d divergent straight nozzle

✓ Transonic shocks in n-d ( $n \geq 3$ ) divergent nozzles

Z.-P. Xin & H.-C. Yin (2009 JDE) 3-d axisymmetric narrow divergent nozzle, isentropic Euler system

M. Bae & M. Feldman (2009)

n-d ( $n \geq 2$ ) divergent nozzle with arbitrary smooth cross-section, Potential flow

Potential flow

Irrotational flow  $\nabla \times \vec{u} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{u} = \nabla \varphi$

Isentropic potential flow  $\frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = \kappa (\text{constant}) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2 + \frac{\gamma \kappa \rho^\gamma}{(\gamma-1)\rho} = B_0$

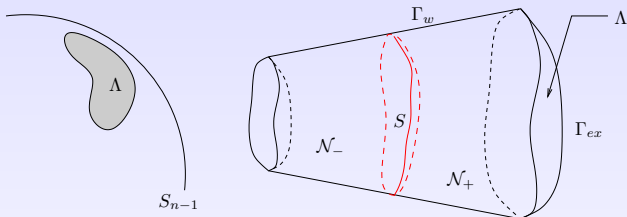
$$\operatorname{div}(\rho \vec{u}) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\operatorname{div}\left(\left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \nabla \varphi\right) = 0}$$

Rankine-Hugoniot condition

$$[\rho \nabla \varphi \cdot \vec{n}]_S = 0, \quad [\varphi]_S = 0 \quad (\text{no vortex sheet})$$

G.-Q. Chen & M. Feldman (2003 JAMS) et al.

Transonic shock problem in divergent nozzles of arbitrary cross-section  
 Given supersonic flow upstream and  $p_{ex}$ , locate the transonic shock  $S$  and find the corresponding subsonic flow downstream so that  $p = p_{ex}$  holds on  $\Gamma_{ex}$ .



Ill-posedness of isentropic potential flow model Radial transonic shocks

$$p = p(|\partial_r \varphi|^2)$$

$$\partial_r \varphi(r_1; s) = \partial_r \varphi(r_1; r_0) \quad \forall s \in (r_0, r_1)$$

For well-posedness,  
 the entropy  $\frac{p}{\rho^\gamma}$  must jump across a shock.

## Non-isentropic potential flow model

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{div}(\rho \nabla \varphi) = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2 + \frac{\gamma p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} = B_0 \\ \nabla \varphi \cdot (\operatorname{div}(\rho \nabla \varphi \otimes \nabla \varphi + p I_n)) = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \operatorname{div}((B_0 - \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \nabla \varphi) = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2 + \frac{\gamma p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} = B_0 \\ \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \frac{p}{(B_0 - \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}} = 0 \end{cases}$$

## Rankine-Hugoniot conditions

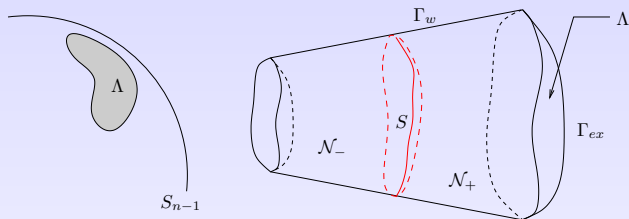
$$[\rho \nabla \varphi \cdot \vec{n}]_S = [(\rho \nabla \varphi \otimes \nabla \varphi + p I_n) \cdot \vec{n}]_S = 0$$

$$\stackrel{\text{no vortex sheet}}{\Leftrightarrow} [\rho \nabla \varphi \cdot \vec{n}]_S = [\varphi]_S = [\rho (\nabla \varphi \cdot \vec{n})^2 + p]_S = 0$$

## Exit boundary condition

$$p = p_{ex}$$

## Constant data



Lemma(Full Euler system, H.-R. Yuan, 2008)

$$\Rightarrow \forall p_c \in (p_{min}, p_{max}), \exists! r_s \in (r_0, r_1) \text{ s.t.} \\ (\rho_0, v_0 \hat{r}, p_0)(r; r_s) \text{ satisfies } p_0(r_1; r_s) = p_c.$$

Definition: Background solutions with the shock at  $r = r_s$

$$(\rho_0, \varphi_0, p_0)(r; r_s) = \begin{cases} (\rho_0^-, \varphi_0^-, p_0^-)(r; r_s) & \text{if } r_0 \leq r \leq r_s \\ (\rho_0^+, \varphi_0^+, p_0^+)(r; r_s) & \text{if } r_s \leq r \leq r_1 \end{cases}$$

## Data perturbed from a constant state

Fix  $p_c \in (p_{\min}, p_{\max})$ . For a small smooth perturbation  $(\rho_-, \varphi_-, p_-)$  of  $(\rho_0^-, \varphi_0^-, p_0^-)$  and a given  $p_{ex}$ , find a transonic shock solution  $(\rho, \varphi, p)$  in  $\mathcal{N}$  so that

$$(\rho, \varphi, p) = (\rho_-, \varphi_-, p_-) \text{ in } \mathcal{N}^-, \quad p = p_{ex} \text{ on } \Gamma_{ex}.$$

### Theorem 1(Existence)Bae-Feldman

For any  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , if the perturbation is small with  $\|p_{ex} - p_c\|_{1, \alpha, \Lambda}^{(-\alpha, \partial\Lambda)} \leq \sigma$  then  $\exists$  a transonic shock solution  $(\rho, \varphi, p)$  s.t.

$$p = p_{ex} \text{ on } \Gamma_{ex},$$

$$\|p - p_0^+\|_{1, \alpha, \mathcal{N}^+}^{(-\alpha, \Gamma_w)} + \|\varphi - \varphi_0^+\|_{2, \alpha, \mathcal{N}^+}^{(-1-\alpha, \Gamma_w)} \leq C\sigma. (\text{stability})$$

### Theorem 2(Uniqueness)Bae-Feldman

For  $\alpha \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ , the transonic shock solution is unique.

♣ The theorems are valid under a small smooth perturbation of  $\mathcal{N}$ .

## Free boundary problem for $\varphi$

$$\operatorname{div}\left(\left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}\nabla\varphi\right) = 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{N}^+$$

$$\text{(free B.C.) } \varphi = \varphi_- \text{ on } S$$

$$(B.C.) \begin{cases} \nabla\varphi \cdot \nu_s = g(\nabla\varphi_- \cdot \nu_s, p_-) & \text{on } S \\ \left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}\nabla\varphi \cdot \nu_w = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_w \\ \left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}\nabla\varphi \cdot \nu_{ex} = v_{ex} & \text{on } \Gamma_{ex} \end{cases}$$

Transport equation for  $\frac{p}{\left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}}$

$$\nabla\varphi \cdot \nabla \frac{p}{\left(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}} = 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{N}^+ \quad (*)$$

$$p = p_s(\nabla\varphi_- \cdot \nu_s, p_-) \text{ on } S$$

$$p = p_{ex} \text{ on } \Gamma_{ex}$$

- (1) Fix  $v_{ex}$  and solve the free boundary problem for  $\varphi$  and solve (\*).
- (2) Prove that  $\mathcal{P} : v_{ex} \mapsto p_{ex}$  is locally invertible and injective near the background solution.

Difficulty Involvement of  $\nabla\varphi \cdot \nabla \frac{p}{(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}} = 0$  with

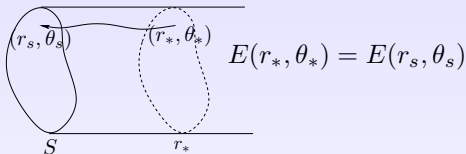
$$\varphi \in C^{1,\alpha}(\overline{\mathcal{N}^+}), |D^2\varphi| \sim C[\text{dist}(x, \text{corners})]^{-1+\alpha}$$

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Solvability of the transport equation for  $E$   $\partial_r E + V \cdot D_\theta E = 0$  (♣)

Method of characteristics:  $\dot{X} = (1, V)(X), \quad X(0) = (r_*, \theta_*)$



### Proposition

If  $V \in C^\alpha(\overline{\mathcal{N}^+})$  and  $|DV(x)| \leq C[\text{dist}(x, \text{corners})]^{-1+\alpha}$ , then (♣) has a unique solution  $E$ . And,

$$E \in C^\alpha(\overline{\mathcal{N}^+}), \quad |DE(x)| \leq C[\text{dist}(x, \text{walls})]^{-1+\alpha}$$

Idea:  $[\text{dist}(X(r), \text{corners})]^{-1+\alpha} \sim r^{-1+\alpha}$  so  $\text{dist}(X(r), \text{corners})$  is integrable along  $X(r)$ .

From the proposition, we can define  $\mathcal{P} : v_{ex} \mapsto p|_{\Gamma_{ex}}$  where  $(\varphi, p)$  satisfy

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{div}\left((B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}\nabla\varphi\right) = 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{N}^+ \\ (B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}\nabla\varphi \cdot \nu_{ex} = v_{ex} \text{ on } \Gamma_{ex} + (\text{more BCs}) \\ \nabla\varphi \cdot \nabla \frac{p}{(B_0 - \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\varphi|^2)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}} = 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{N}^+ \\ p = p_s(\nabla\varphi_- \cdot \nu_s, p_-) \text{ on } S \end{cases}$$

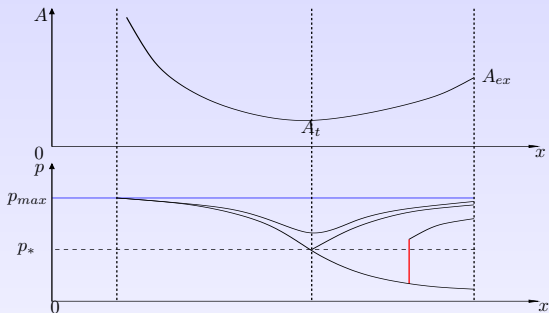
### Proposition

- (1)  $\forall \alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\mathcal{P} : v_{ex} \mapsto p_{ex}$  is weakly invertible for  $v_{ex}, p_{ex} \in C_{-\alpha, \partial\Lambda}^{1, \alpha}(\Lambda)$ .
- (2)  $\forall \alpha \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ ,  $\mathcal{P} : v_{ex} \mapsto p_{ex}$  is injective and invertible.

Transonic shock solution in  $\mathcal{N}$  with fixed  $p_{ex}$

(1) $\Rightarrow$  Existence, (2) $\Rightarrow$  Uniqueness

## Further questions



- ▶ Transonic shock solution in a curved divergent nozzle?
- ▶ How to construct subsonic-sonic flow through the convergent part of a de Laval nozzle?

**-THANK YOU-**