

Lecture 8

$$u_t + f(u)_x = u_t + f'(u)u_x = 0 \quad IC \ u(x, 0) = g(x) \quad (1)$$

$f'(u) = u$ Burgers. One way to disallow loss of solution existence as a graph consider

$$\underbrace{u_t + f(u)_x}_{\text{Viscosity}} = \epsilon u_{xx} \quad (\epsilon > 0) \quad (2)$$

Consider (1) as approximation of (2) with $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$u_x \approx \frac{u}{l}$$

$$u_{xx} \approx \frac{u}{l^2}$$

Look at Fig 7.1

$$\begin{aligned} l \approx \epsilon &\implies u_x \approx \epsilon u_{xx} \\ u_t &= \epsilon u_{xx} - f'(u)u_x \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Theorem 1 (Hopf'50, $f'(u) = u$). (1) (2) has a unique bounded solution $u_\epsilon \in C^1(\mathbb{R} \times \{t > 0\})$

$$s.t \quad u_\epsilon(x, t) \rightarrow g(x) \quad t \rightarrow 0$$

(2) $\exists D \subseteq \mathbb{R} \times \{t > 0\}$ s.t $\forall (x, t) \in D$, $u_\epsilon \rightarrow u_0(x, t)$, as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ for some $u_0(x, t)$. $|\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0} \setminus D| = 0$.

(3) $u_0(x, t) \rightarrow g(t)$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ locally uniformly.

(4) $u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0})$ u_0 is called the viscosity solution of (1) is a weak solution of (1)

Proof. Will be discussed next term in PDE 2. One may read about this in Leveque Numerical methods for conservational laws. \square

Weak Solutions

$\phi \in C_o^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_0^\infty \int_R u_t \phi + f_x \phi. \quad \int_R f_x \phi = f(u(x, t)) \phi(x, t) \Big|_{x=x_1}^{x=x_2} - \int f \phi_x \\ &\int_0^\infty u_t \phi = -u(x, 0) \phi(x, 0) - \int_0^\infty u \phi_t \\ &\int_0^\infty \int_R u \phi_t + f(u) \phi_x = - \int_R u(x, 0) \phi(x, 0) dx \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Definition 1. A locally integrable function u is called a weak solution of (1) if (4) holds for any $\phi \in C_o^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$.

Riemann Problem

We start with a piecewise constant data, and we see how it evolves. Fig 7.2

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{u_-(\epsilon/2+st)+u_+(\epsilon/2-st)}^{u_+} u = -f(u_+) + f(u_-)$$

$$(u_- - u_+)s = f(u_-) - f(u_+)$$

$$s = \frac{f(u_+) - f(u_-)}{u_+ - u_-} = \frac{[f(u)]}{[u]} \quad \text{Rankine - Hugonot condition.}$$

Look Figs and their corresponding space time.

(Burger's)

$$s = \frac{1/2 - 0/2}{1 - 0} = 1/2$$

In the case of Rarefaction wave, we have none uniqueness. We require additional criterion : Entropy Conditions:

$$f'(u_-) > s > f'(u_+) \quad \text{Characteristics must go into the shock}$$

Weak solutions which satisfy the entropy conditions called entropy solutions.

Numerical Methods for First order Eq.

-Characteristic Trancing: Solve ODE's on computer.

- Discretization. $\partial_t u = \frac{u(x,t+h) - u(x,t)}{h}$.