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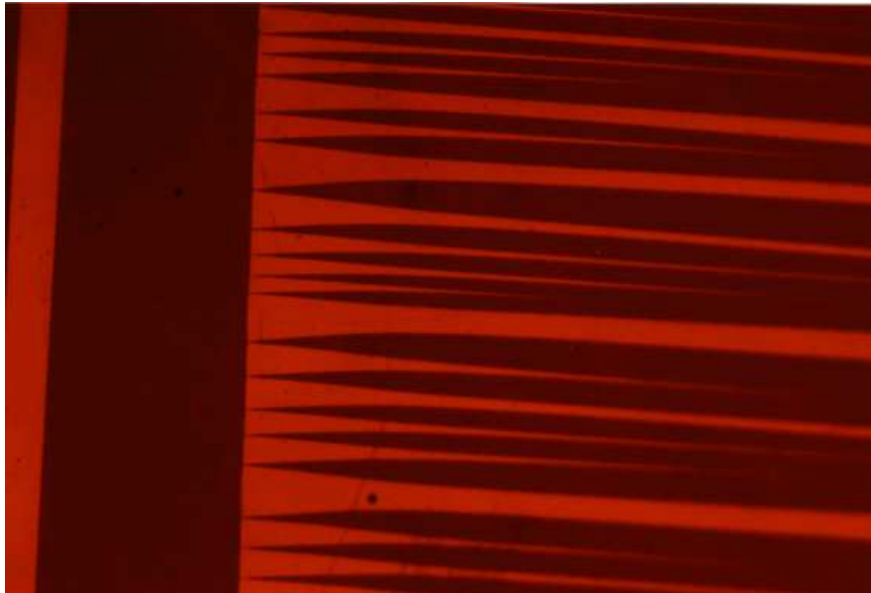
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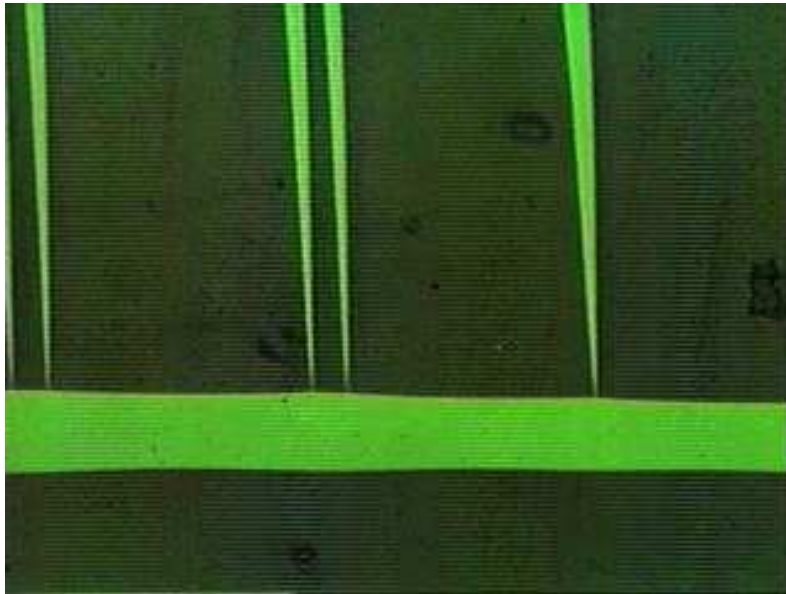
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Derivation of the mathematical model ⁴

- **Location of the material particle at time t , which was located initially in x :** $y(x, t)$
- **Velocity** $v := \partial_t y$
- **Deformation gradient** $w := \partial_x(y - x)$
- **Internal energy** $e := e(w, \partial_x w) := \bar{e}(\partial_x y, \partial_{xx} y)$

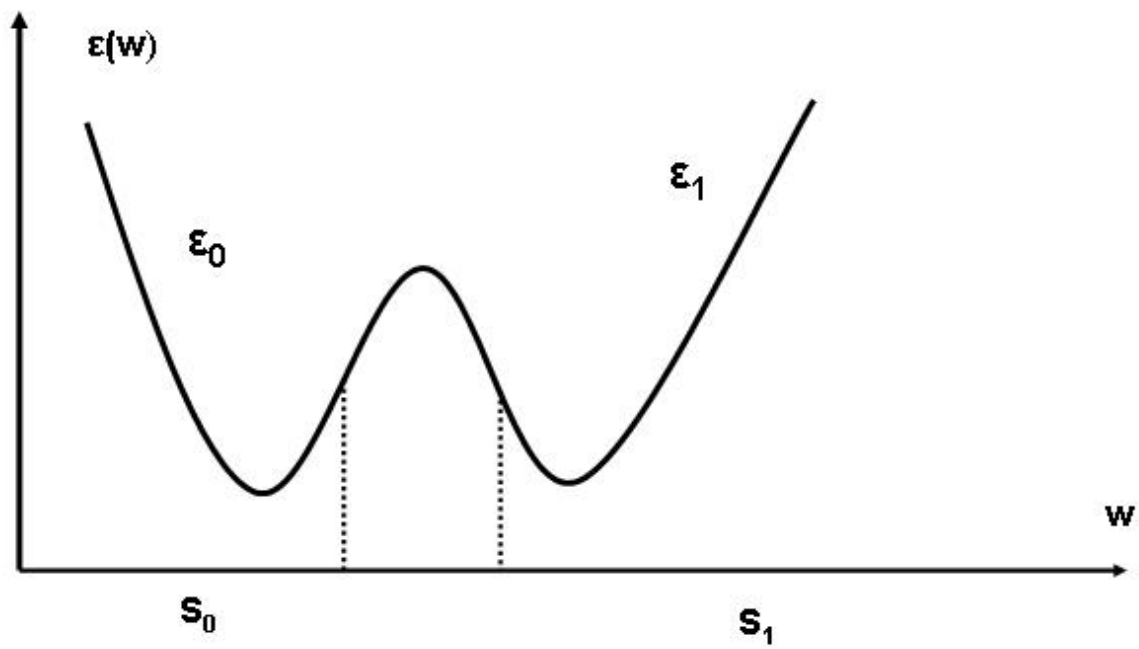
Standard choice: $e(w, w_x) := \varepsilon(w) + \lambda(w) \frac{w_x^2}{2}$

- **Action functional:** $J(w) := \int_0^T \int_{\Omega} \left(e(w, \partial_x w) - \frac{v^2}{2} \right) dx dt$
- **Euler-Lagrange-equations:**

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t v - \partial_x \Sigma(w, \partial_x w, \partial_{xx} w) &= 0 \\ \partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\Sigma(w, \partial_x w, \partial_{xx} w) := \partial_w e(w, \partial_x w) - \partial_x (\partial_{w_x} e(w, \partial_x w))$.

⁴P. LeFloch: Hyperbolic systems of conservation laws, p. 21



- $y(x, t)$: location of of the material particle at time t , which was located initially in x .
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- Then we obtain with $\sigma(w) := \varepsilon'(w)$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= \left(\lambda'(w) \frac{w_x^2}{2} - (\lambda(w) w_x)_x \right)_x \\ \partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Change of type

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= \left(\lambda'(w) \frac{w_x^2}{2} - (\lambda(w) w_x)_x \right)_x \\ \partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0\end{aligned}$$

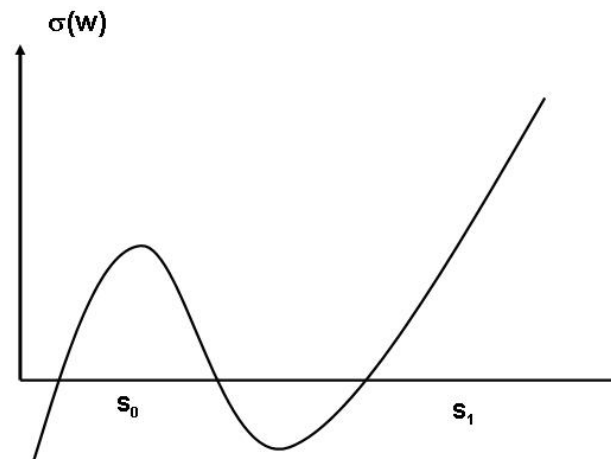
Now use

- **Velocity** $v := \partial_t y$
- **Deformation gradient** $w := \partial_x(y - x)$

and obtain in the main part

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{tt} y - \partial_x \sigma(\partial_x y) &= \dots \\ \partial_{tt} y - \sigma'(\partial_x y) \partial_{xx} y &= \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{tt}y - \partial_x\sigma(\partial_xy) &= \cdots \\ \partial_{tt}y - \sigma'(\partial_xy)\partial_{xx}y &= \cdots\end{aligned}$$



Avoid the elliptic region!

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= \left(\lambda'(w) \frac{w_x^2}{2} - (\lambda(w) w_x)_x \right)_x \\ \partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Results for this system ⁵

- Local well-posedness for smooth perturbations of travelling wave profiles.
- Generalization to several space dimensions. ⁶.

⁵S. Benzoni-Gavage, R. Danchin, S. Descombes: Well-posedness of one-dimensional Korteweg models, preprint 2004

⁶S. Benzoni-Gavage, R. Danchin, S. Descombes: On the well-posedness for the Euler-Korteweg model in several space dimensions, preprint 2005

Existence of travelling waves

Consider the special case:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \\ \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= \varepsilon \partial_{xx} w - \gamma \varepsilon^2 \partial_{xxx} w \\ v(x, 0) &= v_0(x), \quad w(x, 0) = w_0(x)\end{aligned}$$

Does there exist a solution of the form

$$\begin{aligned}w_\varepsilon(x, t) &= \bar{w}\left(\frac{x - st}{\varepsilon}\right) \\ v_\varepsilon(x, t) &= \bar{v}\left(\frac{x - st}{\varepsilon}\right) \\ \bar{w}(\infty) &= w_l, \quad \bar{w}(-\infty) = w_g \\ \bar{v}(\infty) &= v_l, \quad \bar{v}(-\infty) = v_g\end{aligned}$$

**such that for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$: $w_\varepsilon(x, t) \rightarrow w_1(x, t)$, $v_\varepsilon(x, t) \rightarrow v_1(x, t)$
and w_1, v_1 is a shock solution of**

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \\ \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$v(x, 0) = v_0(x), \quad w(x, 0) = w_0(x)$$

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\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1 ⁷

- *Let $\gamma > 0$ and w_l, v_l be given in the phase l . Then there exists a unique state w_g, v_g in the phase g such that the corresponding travelling wave converges to a shock solution.*
- *If $\gamma = 0$ then there does not exist a state w_g, v_g in the phase g such that the corresponding travelling wave converges to a shock solution.*

⁷M. Slemrod: Admissibility criteria for propagating phase boundaries in a van der Waals fluid. Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 81 (1983), 302-315.

Main problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \\ \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= \varepsilon \partial_{xx} w - \delta \partial_{xxx} w \\ v(x, 0) &= v_0(x), \quad w(x, 0) = w_0(x)\end{aligned}$$

For the limit $\varepsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$ the limit will in general depend on $\frac{\delta}{\varepsilon^2}$.

Model problem

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u^\varepsilon + \partial_x f(u^\varepsilon) &= \varepsilon \partial_{xx} u^\varepsilon + \delta \partial_{xxx} u^\varepsilon, \quad f(u) = u^3 \\ u^\varepsilon(\cdot, 0) &= u_0\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Results for the model problem

- If $|\delta| \ll \varepsilon^2$ then the limit for $\varepsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$ is the same as for the viscosity limit in (??)⁸.
- If $|\delta| \gg \varepsilon^2$ then there is no convergence to a weak solution of the conservation law for $\varepsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$.⁹
- If $\delta = \mu \varepsilon^2$ then
 - For $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a unique classical solution $u^\varepsilon \in C^{2,1}(\mathbb{R} \times [0, T])$ of (??) and a weak solution $u \in L^1(\mathbb{R} \times [0, T])$ of the limit problem such that
$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|u^\varepsilon - u\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R} \times [0, T])} = 0^{10}.$$
 - The limit for $\varepsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$ will depend on $\mu := \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon^2}$.

⁸LeFloch: Hyperbolic conservation laws 2002, p. 23

⁹LeFloch, Archive Rational Mech. Anal. 139, 1997, p.4

¹⁰Hayes, LeFloch 1998

$$\partial_t u^\varepsilon + \partial_x f(u^\varepsilon) = \varepsilon \partial_{xx} u^\varepsilon + \delta \partial_{xxx} u^\varepsilon, f(u) = u^3 \quad (2)$$

– If $\delta = \mu \varepsilon^2$ then

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$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|u^\varepsilon - u\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R} \times [0, T])} = 0^{11}.$$

- * The limit for $\varepsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$ will depend on $\mu := \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon^2}$.
- * The limit is a weak solution of $\partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0$ which satisfies

$$\partial_t U(u) + \partial_x F(u) \leq 0$$

for a single strictly convex entropy pair (U, F) (depending on μ) but in general it will not satisfy the Oleinik entropy condition .

- * Repeat:

For viscous approximations and convex f the limit satisfies

$$\partial_t U(u) + \partial_x F(u) \leq 0$$

for all strictly convex entropy pairs (U, F) and the Oleinik entropy condition.

- * Obtain uniqueness of the limit problem by additional conditions:
Kinetic relation and nucleation criterion. ¹²

¹¹Hayes, LeFloch 1998

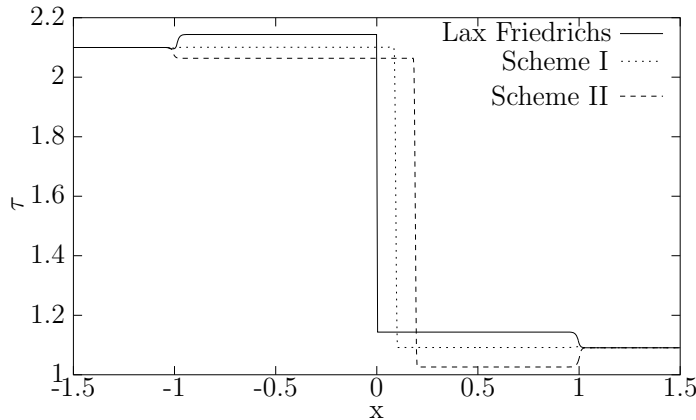
¹²LeFloch, Archive Rational Mech. Anal. 139, 1997, p.34

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t w - \partial_x v &= 0 \\
\partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma(w) &= 0 \\
v(x, 0) &= v_0(x), \quad w(x, 0) = w_0(x).
\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

- * Choose initial data in different phases.
- * Solve with three different numerical schemes, which corresponds to different choices of ε, δ .

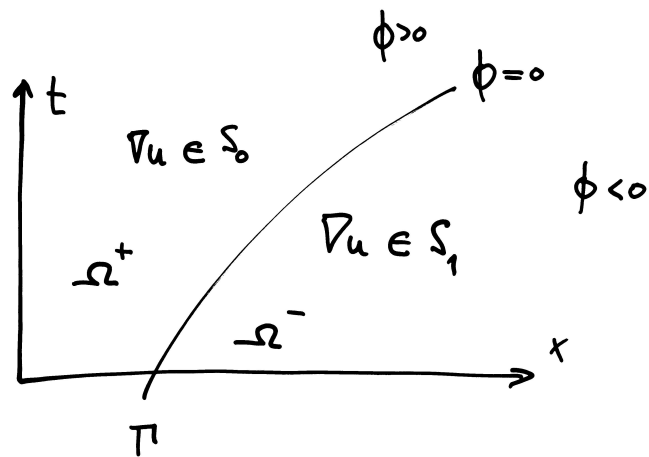
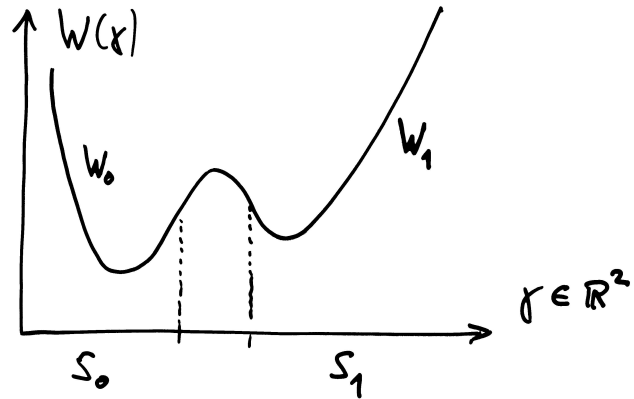
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- * Choose initial data in different phases.
- * Solve with three different numerical schemes, which corresponds to different choices of ε, δ .
- * All solutions are weak and entropy solutions of (??).



Nonlinear elastodynamics and phase transitions in 2D ¹³

- $u(x, t)$: displacement
- $\sigma(\nabla u)$: shear stress
 - $\sigma(s) = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \gamma}$
 - **W**: nonconvex, two well potential
 - * $W(\gamma) = W_0(\gamma)$ in the low strain phase, i.e. $\gamma \in S_0$
 - * $W(\gamma) = W_1(\gamma)$ in the high strain phase, i.e. $\gamma \in S_1$
 - * W_i are convex
 - * **Physics**: no strains in the nonconvex parts of W



Mathematical model (simplified):

$$\partial_t^2 u - \nabla \cdot \sigma(\nabla u) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega - \Gamma_t$$

and jump condition on Γ_t

Levelset formulation: $\partial_t \phi - V|\nabla \phi| = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$

Use ϕ to meet only the convex parts of W .

$$W(\gamma, \phi) = W_0(\gamma) + H(\phi)(W_1(\gamma) - W_0(\gamma))$$

$$W_\varepsilon(\gamma, \phi) = W_0(\gamma) + H_\varepsilon(\phi)(W_1(\gamma) - W_0(\gamma))$$

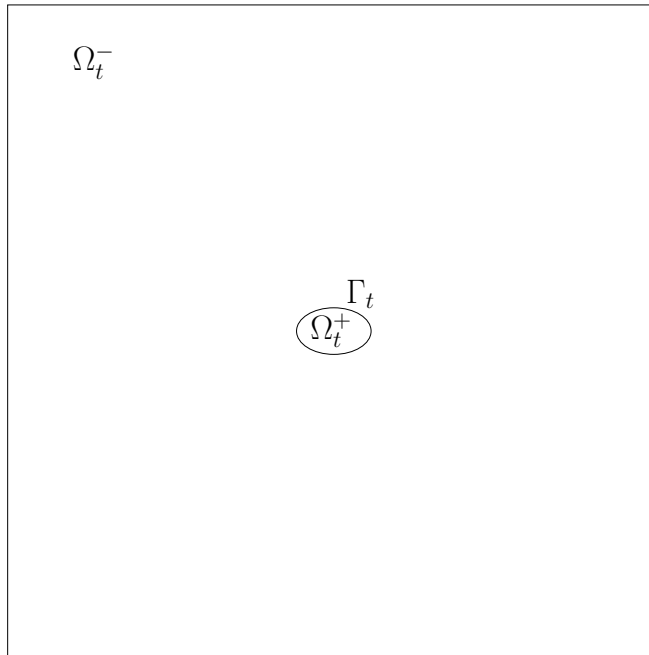
$$\sigma_\varepsilon = \frac{\partial W_\varepsilon}{\partial \gamma}$$

$$\partial_t^2 u - \nabla \cdot \sigma_\varepsilon(\nabla u, \phi) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

V is given by a kinetic relation (Abeyaratne, Knowles):

$$V = g(f, n), \quad f = [|W|] + [|\nabla u|](\sigma^+ + \sigma^-)$$

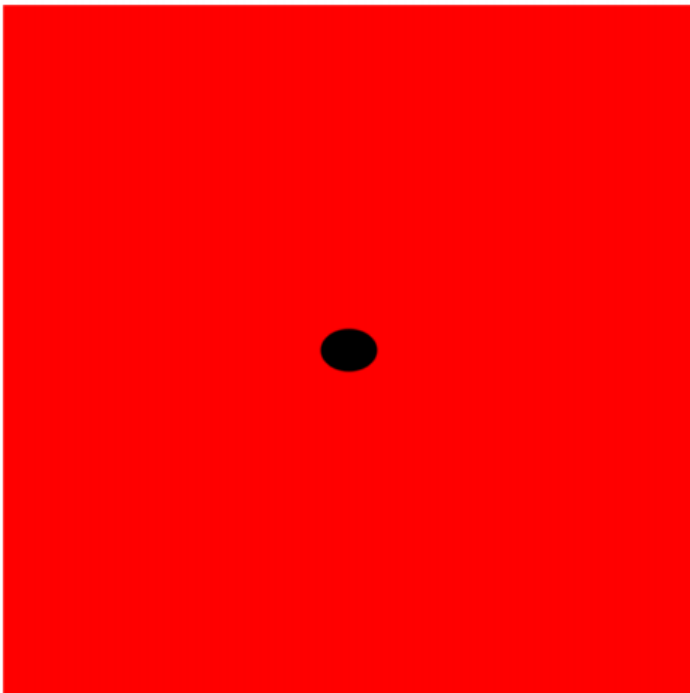
Twinning



Boundary:

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y, t) = ky.$$

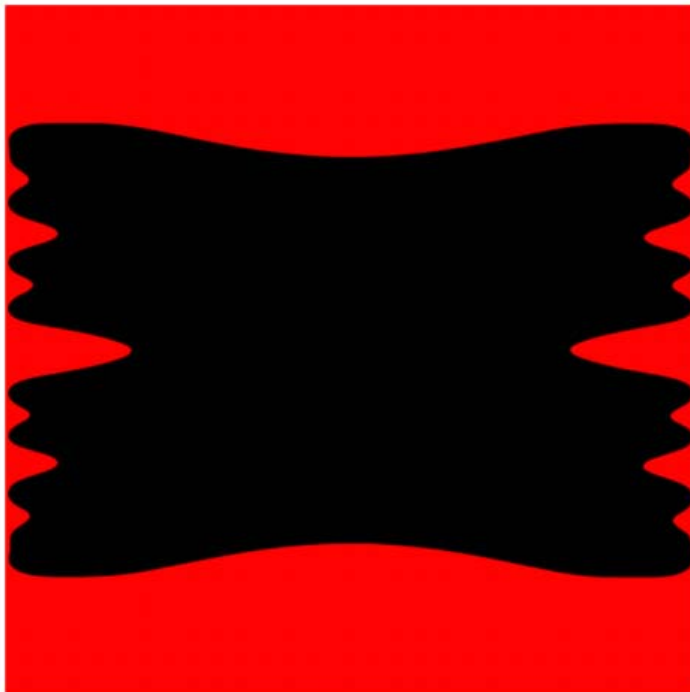
$$g(f, \mathbf{n}) = M_1 f + M_2 |\mathbf{n}_1| f$$



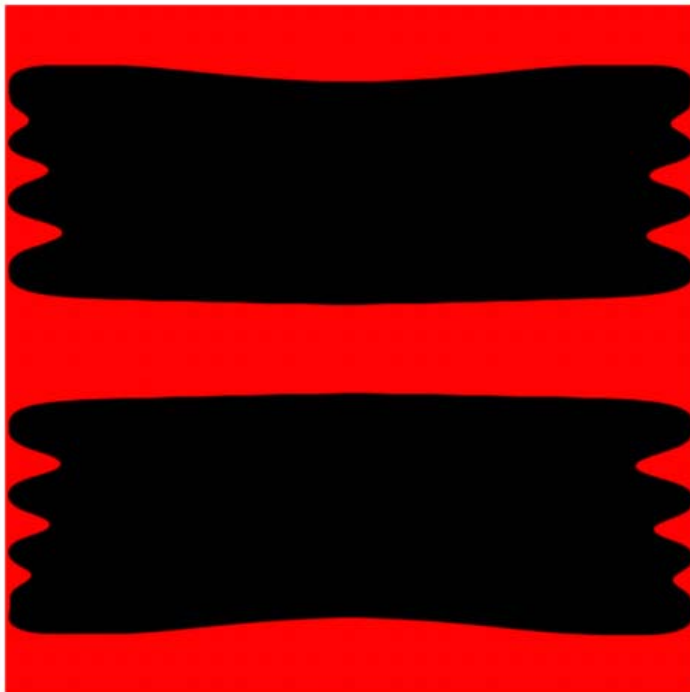


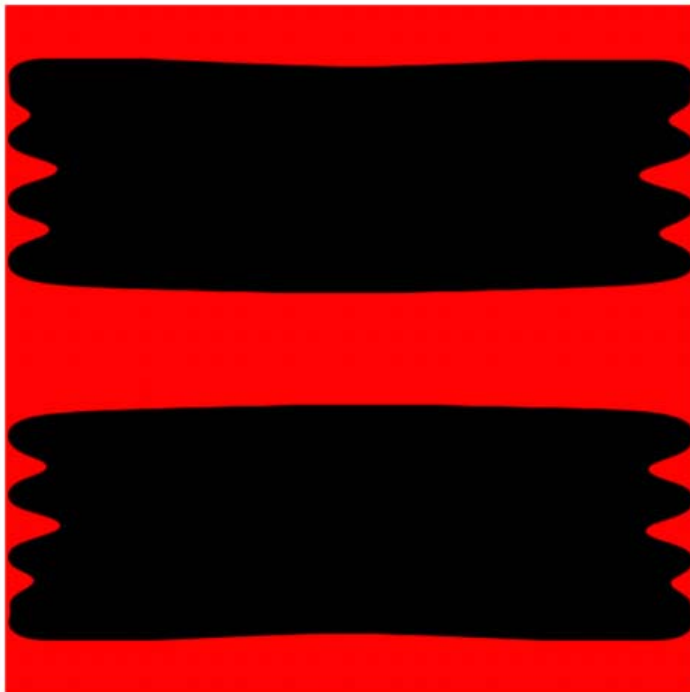


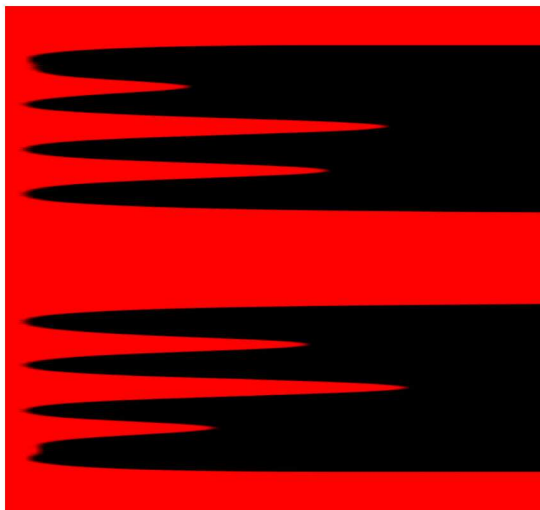
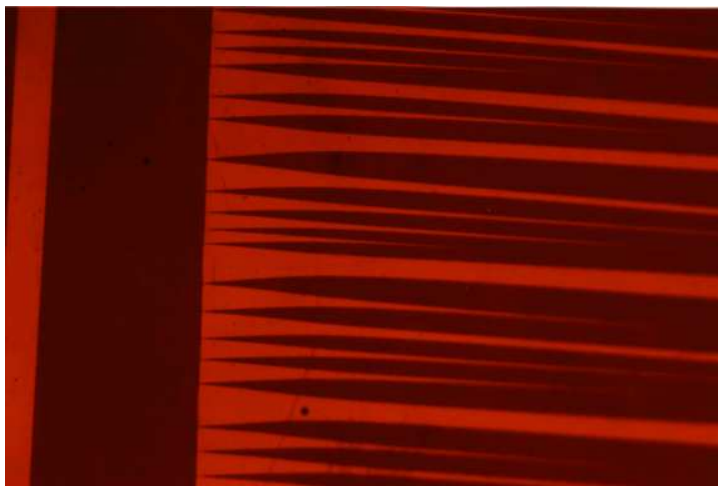












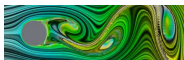
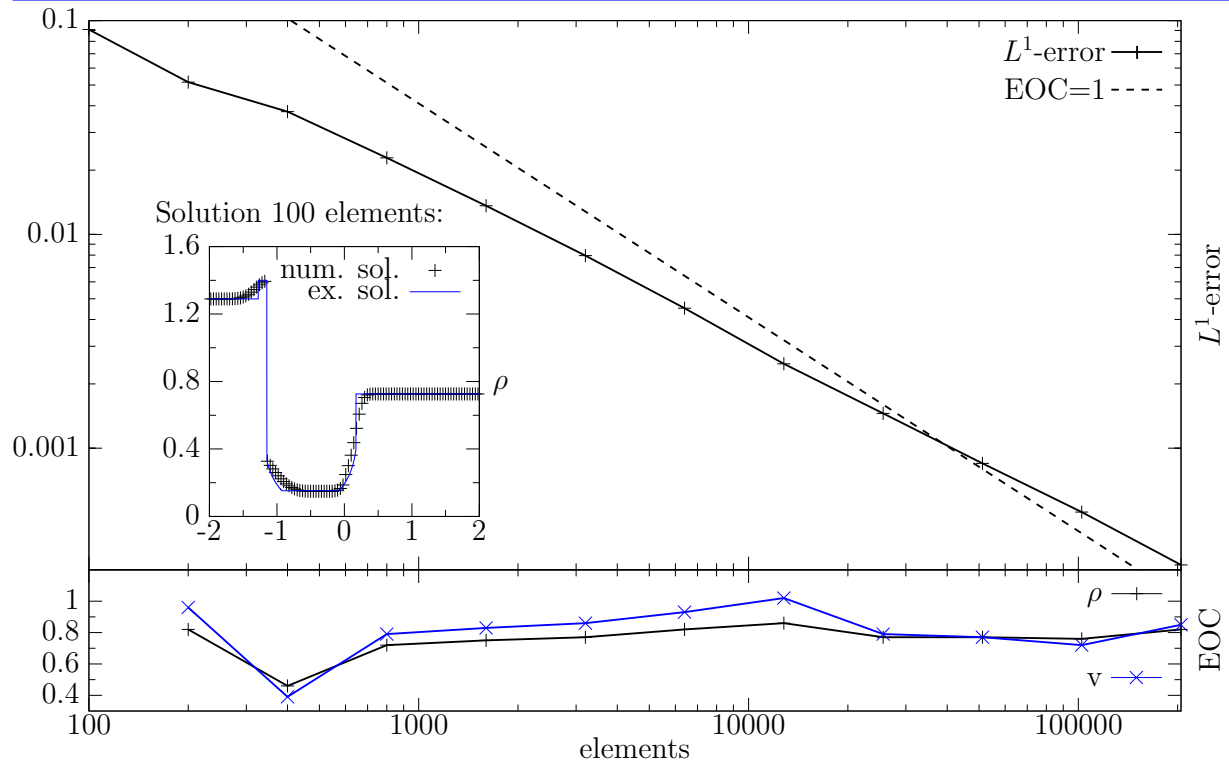
The original system is of the form

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Question: Do there exist Riemann solvers, for treating

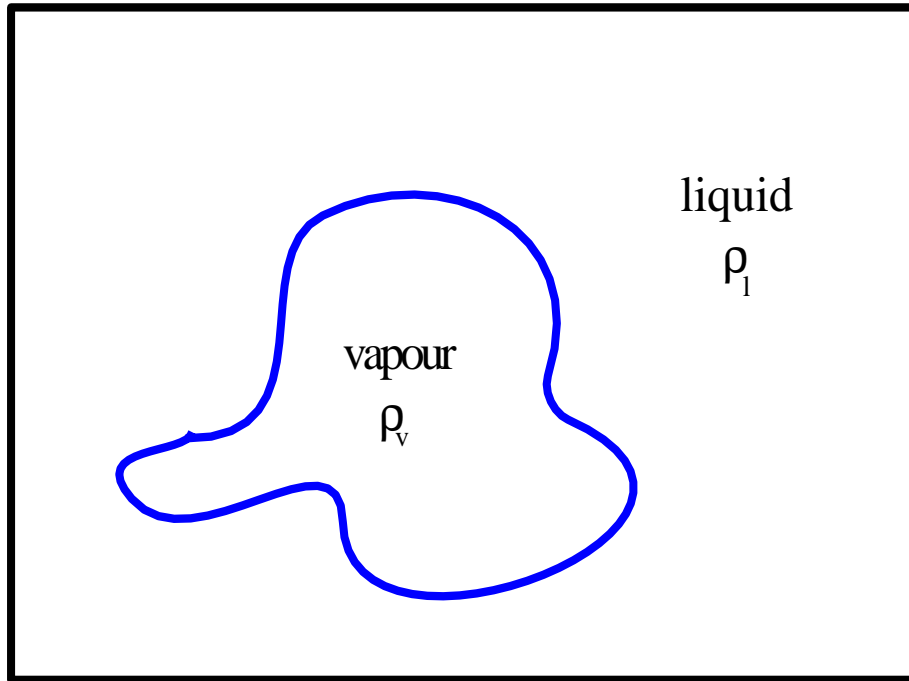
- (??) with non monotone σ
- or Euler equations with van der Waals equation of state ¹⁴.

Numerical results I



Fluids and phase transitions

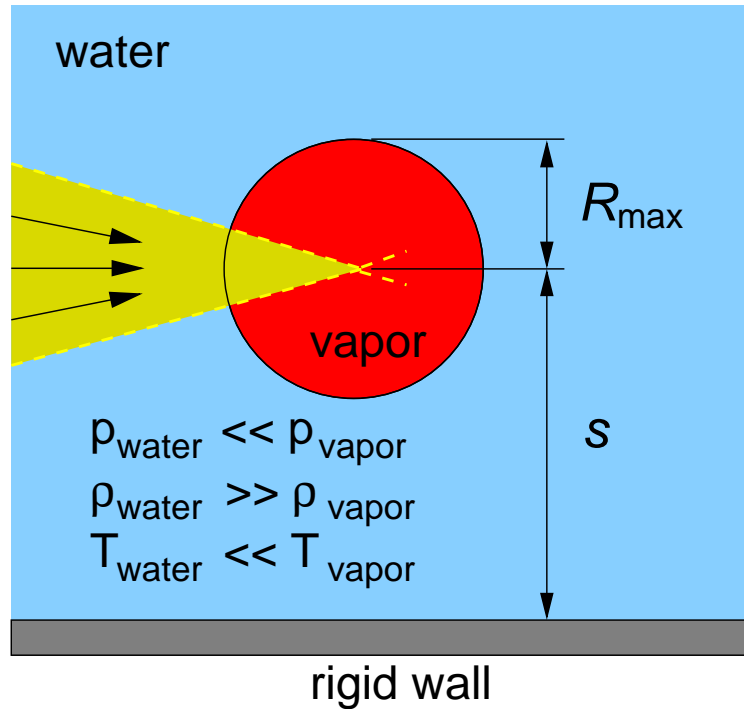
The physical problem of phase transition



Experiments:

Lauterborn, Göttingen

2nd Experiment (fast time scale): Laser produced bubbles and bubble shock interaction (B1):



Mathematical model for the static case $v = 0$

Notations

ρ : density of the fluid

v : velocity of the fluid

$W(\rho)$: free energy density (double well)

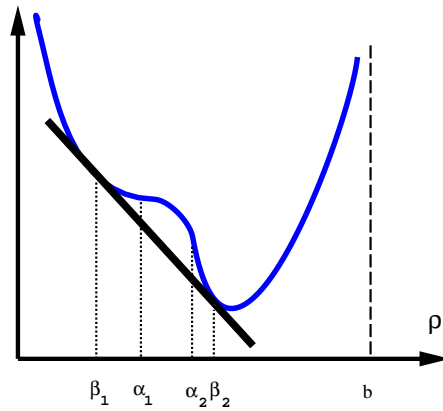
$E(\rho)$: total energy

$$E(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} W(\rho) \, dx$$

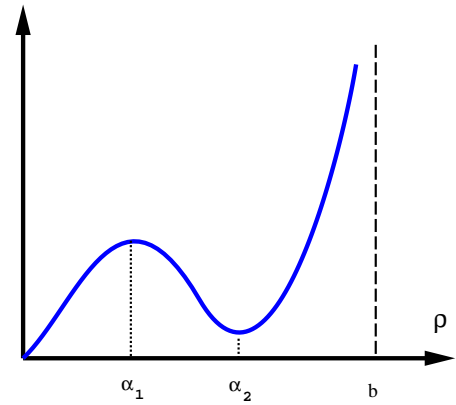
Constraint : $\int_{\Omega} \rho \, dx = M$ (conservation of mass)

Free energy density ¹⁵

$W(\rho)$



$p(\rho)$



$$p(\rho) := \rho W'(\rho) - W(\rho)$$

Diffusive interface approach

- van der Waals ¹⁶ has recognized first the non-uniqueness problem of this approach.
- He proposed to penalize the occurrence of free boundaries between the phases by

$$\int_{\Omega} \gamma \varepsilon^2 \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{2} dx$$

and to consider

$E(\rho)$: total energy

$$E(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} \left(W(\rho) + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{2} \right) dx, \quad \bar{E}(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} W(\rho) dx$$

$$\text{Constraint} : \int_{\Omega} \rho \, dx = M \quad (\text{conservation of mass})$$

(6)

Let ρ_{ε} be a minimizer of E and ρ_0 be a minimizer of \bar{E} , then

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|\rho_0 - \rho_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^1} = 0. \sup>^{\textcolor{red}{17}}$$

¹⁶J.D. van der Waals: Thermodynamische Theorie der Kapillarität unter Voraussetzung stetiger Dichteänderung. Z. Phys. Chem. 1894.

¹⁷L. Modica: The gradient theory of phase transitions and the minimal interface criterion. Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 98 (1987)

Mathematical model for the dynamical case $\partial_t v \neq 0$

- **Lagrangian:** $L(\rho, v) := \frac{1}{2}\rho|v|^2 - W(\rho) - \frac{\gamma}{2}|\nabla\rho|^2$
- **Minimize the action functional:** $\int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} L(\rho(x, t), v(x, t)) \, dx \, dt$
- **Obtain the Euler-Lagrange-equations:**

$$\partial_t v + v \nabla v = \nabla \left(-W'(\rho) + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \Delta \rho \right) .$$

- **Using $p'(\rho) = \rho W''(\rho)$ and conservation of mass we get**

$$\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho)I) = \gamma \varepsilon^2 \nabla \Delta v \rho^{18 \text{ } 19}$$

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- **Add some scaled viscosity and obtain**

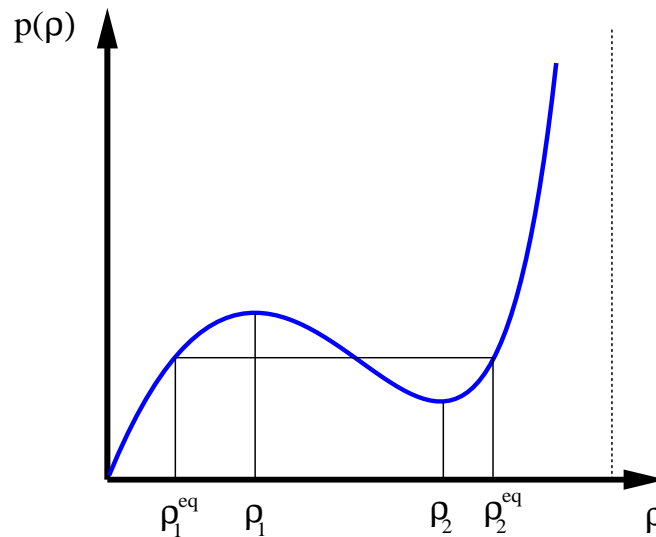
$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) &= 0 \\ \partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho)I) &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \rho \nabla \Delta \rho \end{aligned}$$

¹⁸S. Benzoni-Gavage, R. Danchin, S. Descombes: On the well-posedness for the Euler-Korteweg model in several space dimensions, preprint 2005

¹⁹J.E. Dunn, J. Serrin: On the thermodynamics of interstitial working. Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 88 (1985), 95,133.

Basic model (Navier-Stokes-Korteweg model, isothermal case):

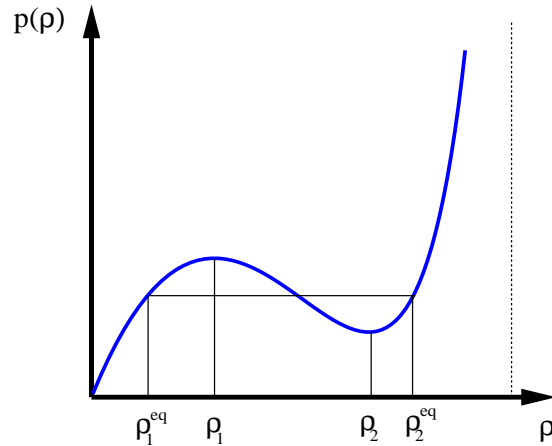
$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) &= 0 \\ \partial_t(\rho u) + \operatorname{div}(\rho u \otimes u) + \nabla p(\rho) &= \mu \Delta u + \lambda \rho \nabla \Delta \rho\end{aligned}$$



Van-der-Waals equation of state (low temperature)

Known results:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) &= 0 \\ \partial_t(\rho u) + \operatorname{div}(\rho u \otimes u) + \nabla p(\rho) &= \mu \Delta u + \lambda \rho \nabla \Delta \rho\end{aligned}$$



Danchin, Desjardin ²⁰:

- Global existence result for initial data close to stable equilibrium, $d=2,3$;
- local in time existence for $\rho_0 \geq c > 0$.

²⁰R. Danchin, B. Desjardin, : Existence of solutions for compressible fluid models of korteweg type. Annales de l'IHP, Analyse non lineaire, 18,(2001), 97-133.

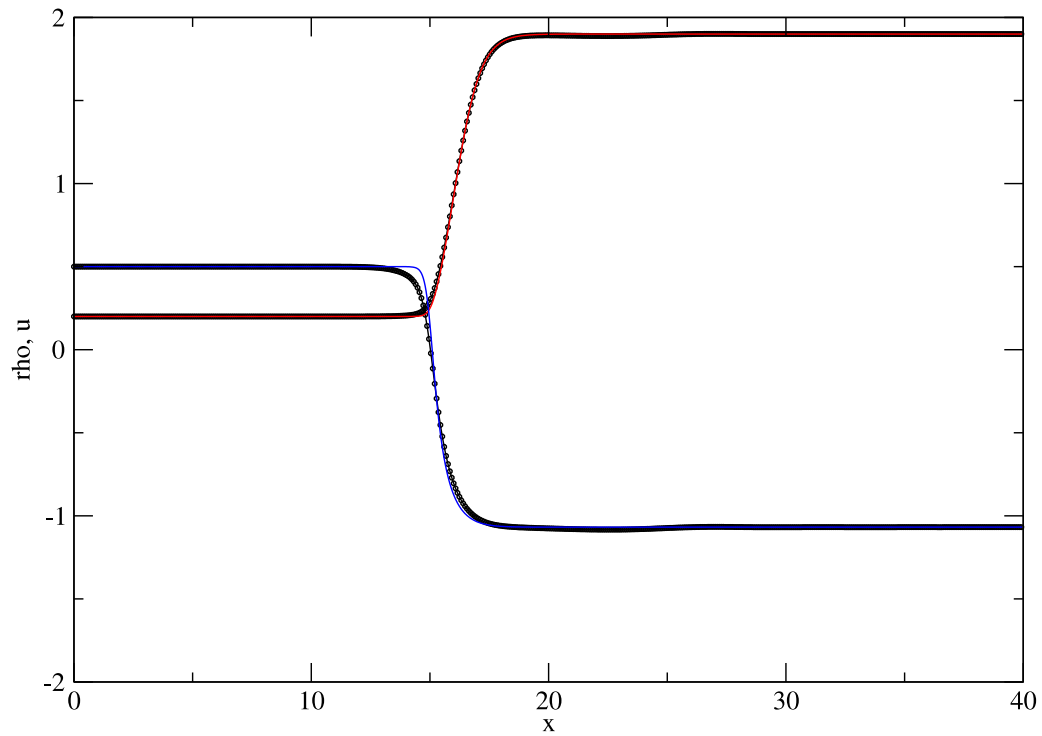
Numerical scheme

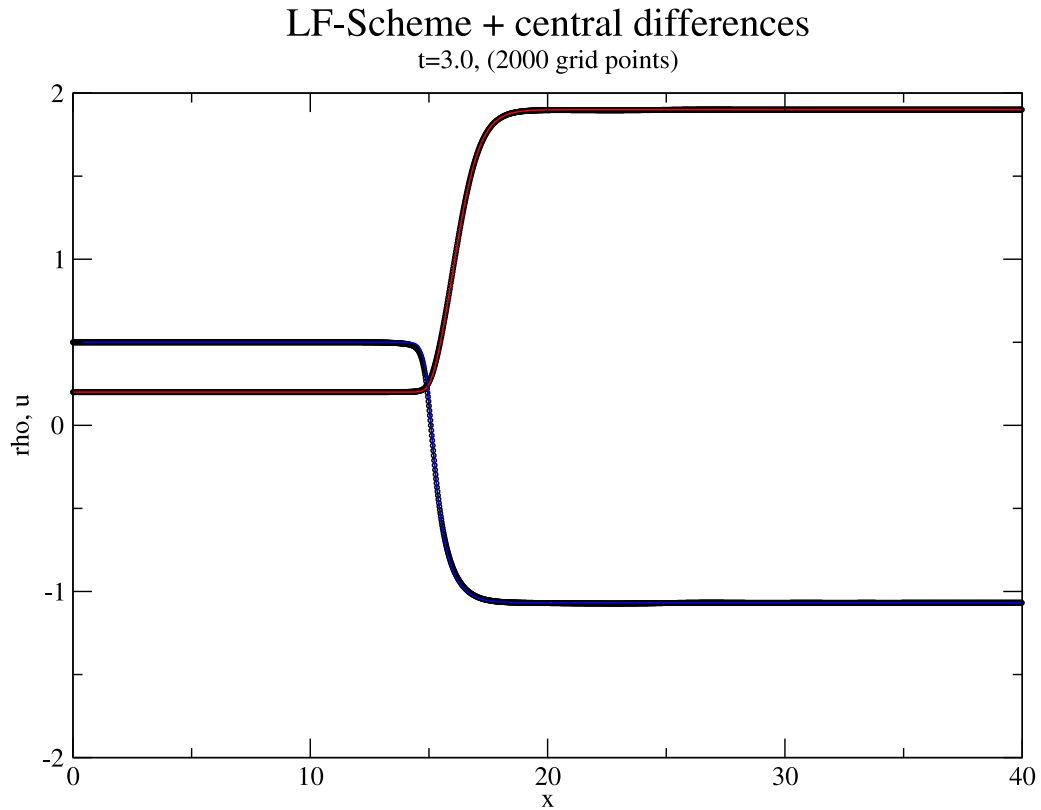
- Lax-Friedrichs scheme for solving

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) &= \alpha \Delta \rho \\ \partial_t (\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho) I) &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \rho \nabla \Delta \rho\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

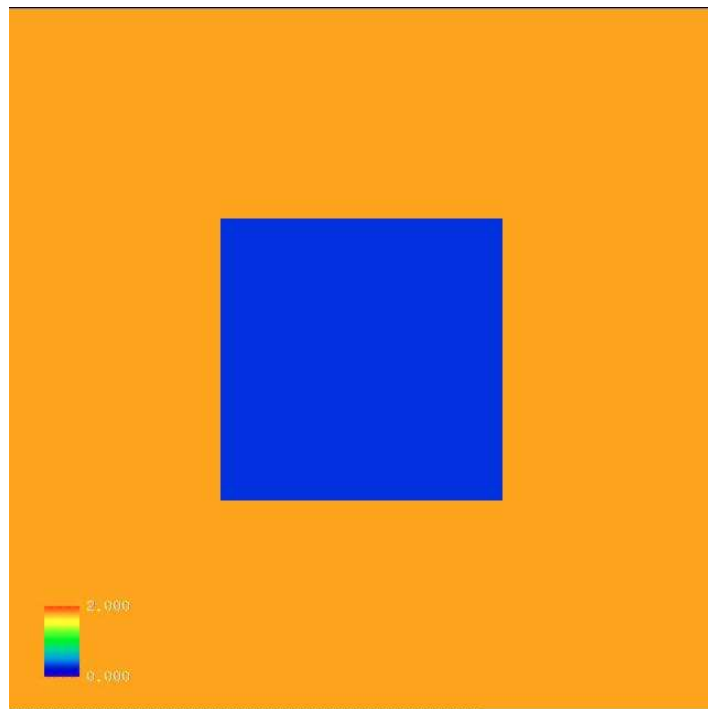
LF-Scheme + central differences

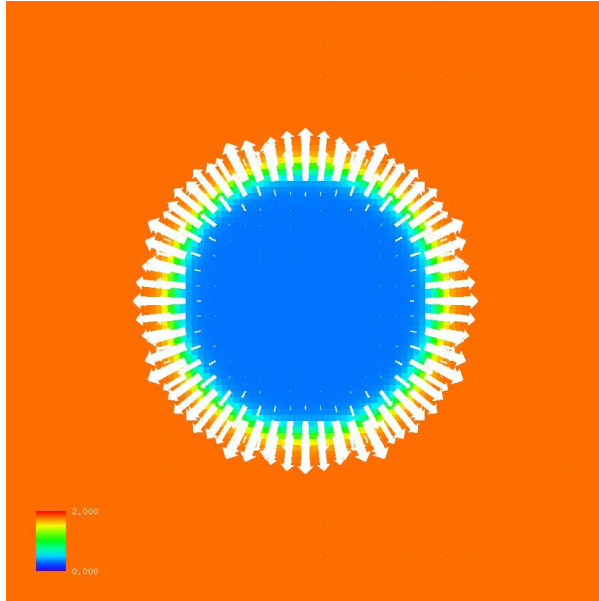
t=3.0, (500 grid points)





- But the scheme has poor convergence properties, in particular for stationary solutions.

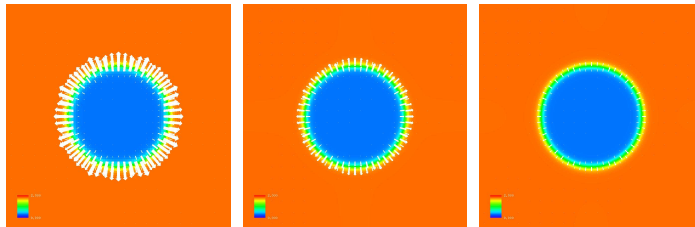




$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) &= \alpha \Delta \rho \\
\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho)) I &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \rho \nabla \Delta \rho
\end{aligned}
\tag{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v - \alpha \nabla \rho) &= 0 \\
\alpha &= O(h) \\
\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho)) I &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \rho \nabla \Delta \rho
\end{aligned}
\tag{9}$$

- The scheme converges to the exact solution
- It gives poor results at static equilibrium



- The Energy does not decrease monotonically

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\rho) &: \quad \text{total energy} \\
E(\rho) &= \int_{\Omega} \left(W(\rho) + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \frac{|\nabla \rho|^2}{2} \right) dx \\
\text{Constraint} &: \int_{\Omega} \rho \, d\mathbf{x} = M \quad (\text{conservation of mass}) \\
\text{Euler Lagrange equations} &: -W'(\rho) + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \Delta \rho = \text{constant}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) &= \alpha \Delta \rho \\
\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot (\rho v v^t + p(\rho)) &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \rho \nabla \Delta \rho
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Euler Lagrange equations} : \kappa(\rho) := -W'(\rho) + \gamma \varepsilon^2 \Delta \rho = \text{constant}$$

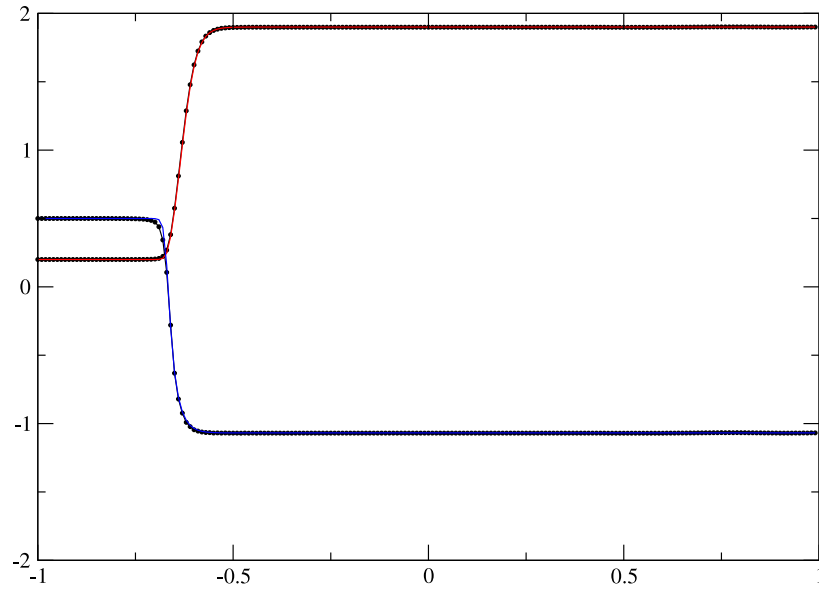
$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) &= \alpha \Delta \kappa \\
\partial_t(\rho v) + \nabla \cdot \rho v v^t + \rho \nabla \kappa(\rho) &= \varepsilon \alpha \Delta v
\end{aligned}$$

- Well balanced scheme ²¹: central differences in space, explicit Euler in time .

²¹D. Kröner, M.D. Thanh, SINUM 2005, M. Nolte, D. Kröner, Preprint 2005

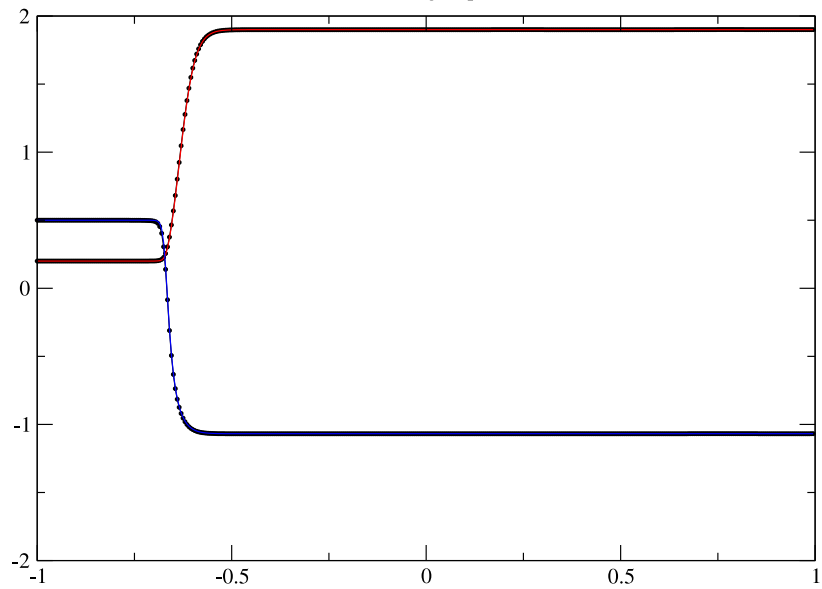
Non-Conservative 1st Order Scheme

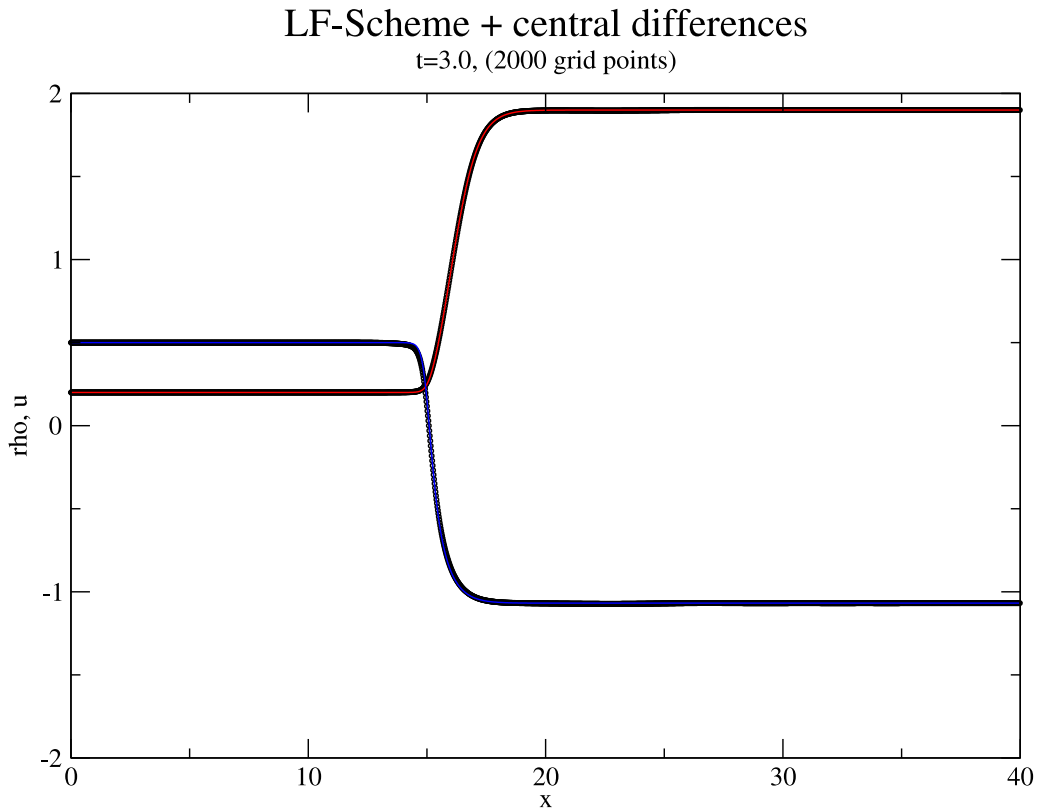
$t=0.5$, (200 grid points)



Non-Conservative 1st Order Scheme

t=0.5, (400 grid points)

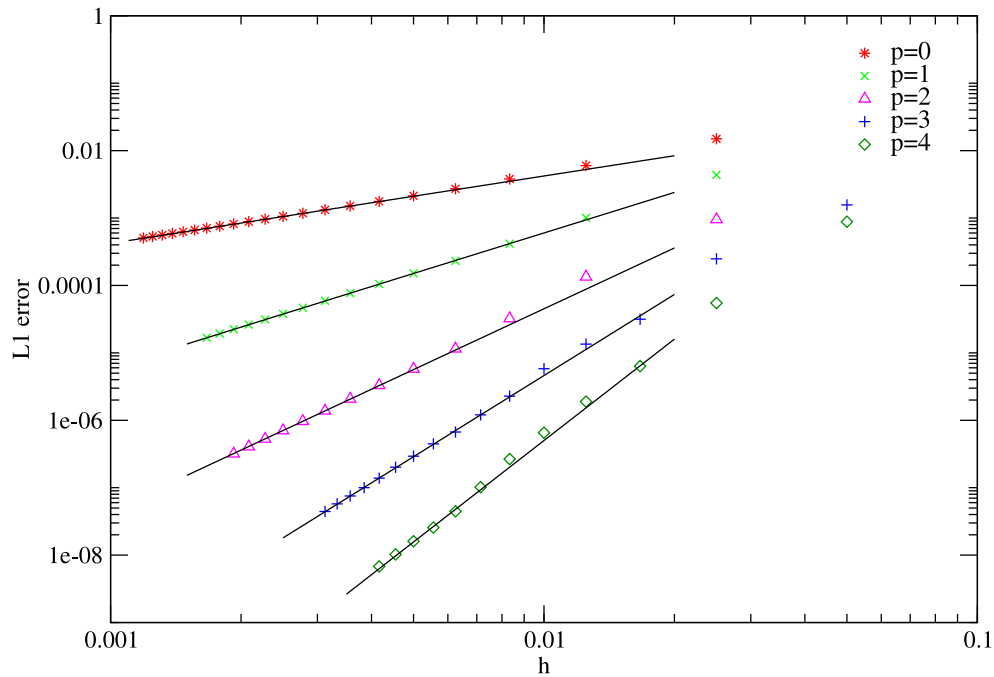




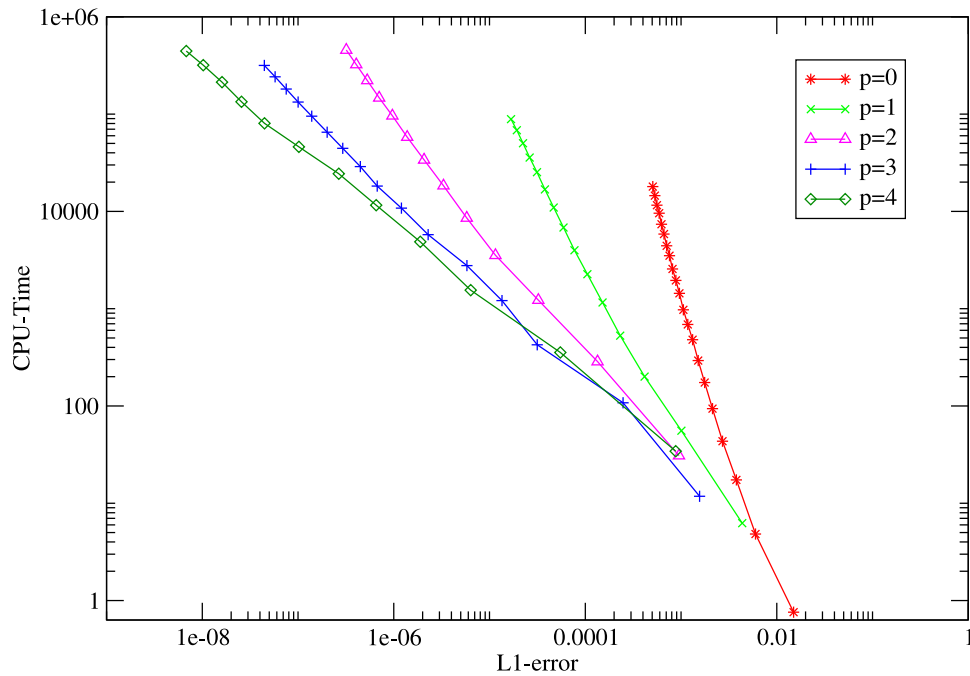
- The scheme converges to the exact solution

- Discontinuous Galerkin schemes ²²
 - 2D triangular nonconform and conform meshes
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 - implicit and explicit Runge Kutta methods, accuracy in time: 1,...4

Discontinuous Galerkin Schemes



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merging bubbles

- third order Discontinuous Galerkin scheme
- second order implicit Runge-Kutta method
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