

Waves and Compressible Flow

Lecture 13

5. Shock waves

- Shocks in one-dimensional gas dynamics
- Shocks in one-dimensional shallow water theory
- Weak solutions - a unifying framework
- Two-dimensional steady shocks in gas dynamics

Shocks in one-dimensional gas dynamics

- In conservative form the governing equations for mass, momentum and energy conservation are

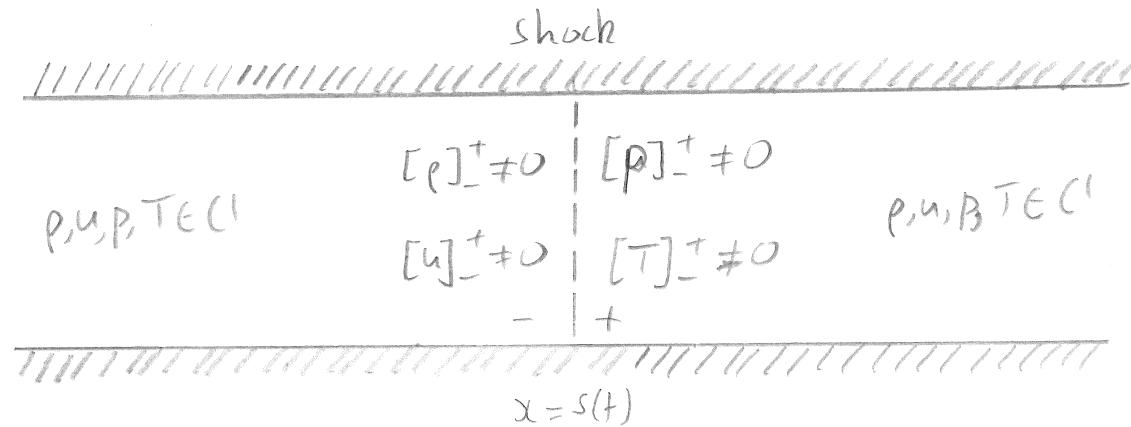
$$\rho_t + (\rho u)_x = 0, \quad (\rho u)_t + (\rho u^2 + p)_x = 0, \quad (\rho e)_t + (\rho e u + pu)_x = 0,$$

where $p = \rho RT$ and $e = \frac{1}{2}u^2 + c_v T$ is the energy per unit mass.

- Of form $f_t + (fu + q)_x = 0$ with $f = \rho, \rho u, \rho e$ and $q = 0, p, pu$ respectively, with corresponding integral conservation law

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_a^b f \, dx + [fu + q]_a^b = 0 \quad (a, b \in \mathbb{R}).$$

- Suppose there is a shock at $x = s(t)$ across which ρ, u, p, T are discontinuous.



- If $a < s(t) < b$, then by Leibniz's integral rule

$$\int_a^s f_t dx + f|_{s-} \dot{s} + \int_s^b f_t dx - f|_{s+} \dot{s} + [fu + q]_a^b = 0.$$

- Assuming f_t is piecewise continuous, in the limit $a \rightarrow s-, b \rightarrow s+$ we obtain the jump condition

$$[f(u - \dot{s}) + q]_-^+ = 0.$$

- Applying to the equations of 1D gas dynamics gives

$$[\rho(u-s)]_+^+ = 0 \text{ (1)}, \quad [\rho u(u-s) + p]_+^+ = 0 \text{ (2)}, \quad [\rho e(u-s) + \rho u]_+^+ = 0 \text{ (3)}$$

- Let $\hat{u} = u - s$ and $\hat{e} = \frac{1}{2}\hat{u}^2 + cvT$ be velocity and energy density relative to shock.

- (1) $\Leftrightarrow [\rho\hat{u}]_+^+ = 0 \Leftrightarrow \rho_- \hat{u}_- = \rho_+ \hat{u}_+$, i.e. rate of mass flow into shock equals rate of mass flow out — mass conservation.

- (2) - s(1) $\Leftrightarrow [\rho\hat{u}^2 + p]_+^+ = 0 \Leftrightarrow \rho_+ \hat{u}_+ \hat{u}_+ - \rho_- \hat{u}_- \hat{u}_- = p_- - p_+$, i.e. rate of change of momentum across shock equals net force acting across shock — momentum conservation.

$$\bullet \textcircled{3} - \dot{s}\textcircled{2} + \dot{s}^2\textcircled{1} \Leftrightarrow [\rho \hat{e} \hat{u} + p \hat{u}]_+^+ = 0 \Leftrightarrow \rho_+ \hat{e}_+ \hat{u}_+ - \rho_- \hat{e}_- \hat{u}_- = p_- u_- - p_+ u_+,$$

i.e. rate of change of energy across shock equals rate of working of pressure on either side — energy conservation.

• Hence, can also derive jump conditions from first principles, as in online notes.

• Since $p = \rho R T = (\gamma - 1) \rho c_v T$, where $R = c_p - c_v$ and $\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v}$, then

$$[\rho \hat{e} \hat{u} + p \hat{u}]_+^+ = \left[\rho \hat{u} \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{u}^2 + \frac{p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} + \frac{p}{\rho} \right) \right]_+^+ = \rho_- \hat{u}_- \left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{u}^2 + \frac{\gamma p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} \right]_+^+$$

• If $u_- = \dot{s}$ or $\hat{u}_- = 0$, there is no flow through shock; otherwise $\left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{u}^2 + \frac{\gamma p}{(\gamma-1)\rho} \right]_+^+ = 0$.

- We have derived the Rankine-Hugoniot conditions

$$[\rho(u-s)]_-^+ = 0 \quad (1')$$

$$[\rho(u-s)^2 + P]_-^+ = 0 \quad (2')$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{2}(u-s)^2 + \frac{\gamma P}{(\gamma-1)\rho} \right]_-^+ = 0 \quad (3')$$

- These are 3 equations for 7 unknowns ($\rho_{\pm}, u_{\pm}, P_{\pm}, s$), so in general we must specify 4 of them somewhere else.

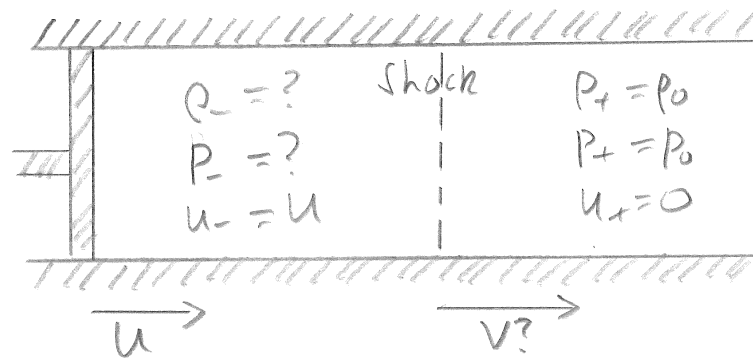
- Can work in laboratory or shock frame because PDEs and (1')-(3') are invariant under the transformation $x = \alpha(t) + \tilde{x}, s(t) = \alpha(t) + \tilde{s}(t), u = \dot{\alpha}(t) + \tilde{u}$.

Example: piston entry

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- Piston pushed into tube at constant speed u in which gas is initially at rest with $\rho = \rho_0, p = p_0$, causing a shock to move with speed V .

Gas next to piston moves with speed u



3 remaining unknowns:
 ρ_-, p_- and V

- (1') - (3') $\Rightarrow \rho_0(0-V) = \rho_-(u-V), p_0 + \rho_0(0-V)^2 = p_- + \rho_-(u-V)^2, \frac{1}{2}(0-V)^2 + \frac{\gamma p_0}{(\gamma-1)\rho_0} = \frac{1}{2}(u-V)^2 + \frac{\gamma p_-}{(\gamma-1)\rho_-}$.
- Eliminate $\rho_-, p_- \Rightarrow V^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\gamma+1)uV - c_0^2 = 0$, where $c_0^2 = \frac{\gamma p_0}{\rho_0}$.
- $V > u > 0 \Rightarrow V = c_0 \left(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1} \right)$, where $a = \frac{\gamma+1}{4} \frac{u}{c_0}$, and hence ρ_- and p_- .

Shock relations and entropy

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- We use the second law of thermodynamics – that entropy never decreases – to make some general statements about how ρ , p , u change across a shock.

- Consider a stationary shock: after replace u by $u - s$ to apply to a moving shock.

- Rewrite (1') – (3') using sound speed $c = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho}\right)^{1/2}$ and Mach number $M = \frac{u}{c}$.

$$\bullet \text{ (1')} \Rightarrow [\rho u]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow [\rho c M]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{+} \left(\frac{\partial p_{+}}{\partial \rho_{+}}\right)^{1/2} M_{+} = \rho_{-} \left(\frac{\partial p_{-}}{\partial \rho_{-}}\right)^{1/2} M_{-} \Rightarrow \frac{\rho_{+} p_{+}}{\rho_{-} p_{-}} = \frac{M_{-}^2}{M_{+}^2} \text{ (1'')}$$

$$\bullet \text{ (2')} \Rightarrow [\rho u^2 + p]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow [\rho c^2 M^2 + p]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow [\rho p M^2 + p]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{p_{+}}{p_{-}} = \frac{1 + \gamma M_{-}^2}{1 + \gamma M_{+}^2} \text{ (2'')}$$

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$$\bullet \textcircled{3'} \Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{2} u^2 + \frac{\partial P}{(\gamma-1)\rho} \right]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{2} c^2 M^2 + \frac{c^2}{\gamma-1} \right]_{-}^{+} = 0 \Rightarrow \left[\frac{P}{\rho} (2 + (\gamma-1)M^2) \right]_{-}^{+} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_{+}}{P_{-}} \frac{\rho_{-}}{\rho_{+}} = \frac{2 + (\gamma-1)M_{-}^2}{2 + (\gamma-1)M_{+}^2} \textcircled{3''}$$

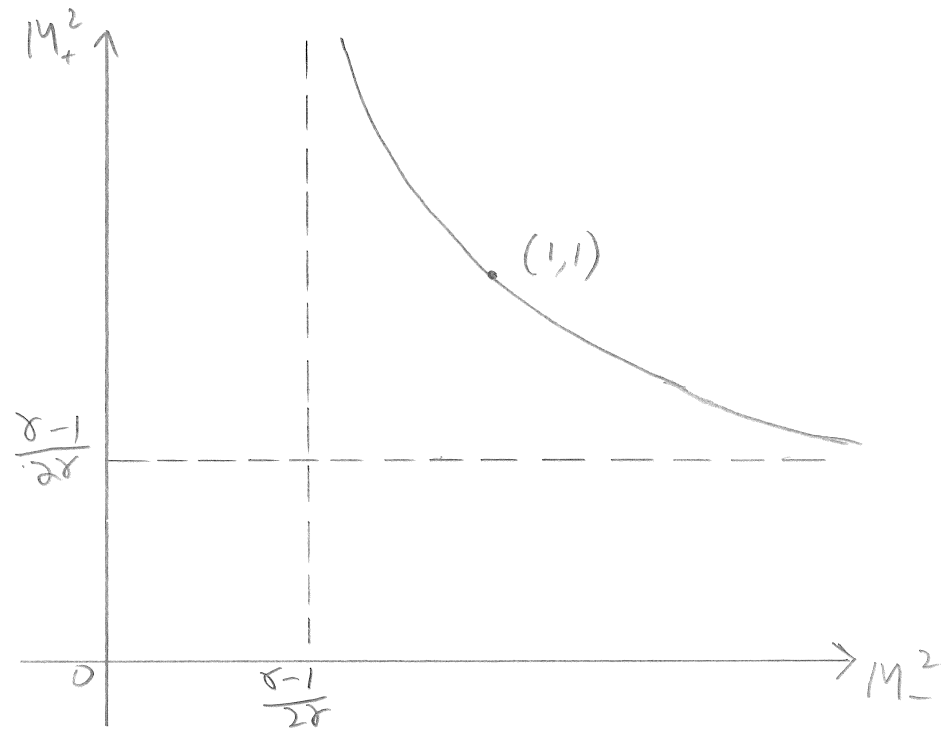
• Now eliminate $\frac{P_{+}}{P_{-}}$ and $\frac{\rho_{+}}{\rho_{-}}$ via $\textcircled{1''} \times \textcircled{3''} = \left(\frac{P_{+}}{P_{-}} \right)^2 = \textcircled{2''}^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{M_{-}^2}{M_{+}^2} \frac{2 + (\gamma-1)M_{-}^2}{2 + (\gamma-1)M_{+}^2} = \left(\frac{1 + \gamma M_{-}^2}{1 + \gamma M_{+}^2} \right)^2 \Rightarrow (M_{+}^2 - M_{-}^2) \left\{ 2\gamma M_{+}^2 M_{-}^2 - (\gamma-1)(M_{+}^2 + M_{-}^2) - 2 \right\} = 0$$

• If $M_{+} = M_{-}$, then $P_{+} = P_{-}$, $\rho_{+} = \rho_{-}$ and no shock.

• If $M_{+} \neq M_{-}$, then $M_{+}^2 = \frac{2 + (\gamma-1)M_{-}^2}{2\gamma M_{-}^2 - (\gamma-1)}$

• Sketch:

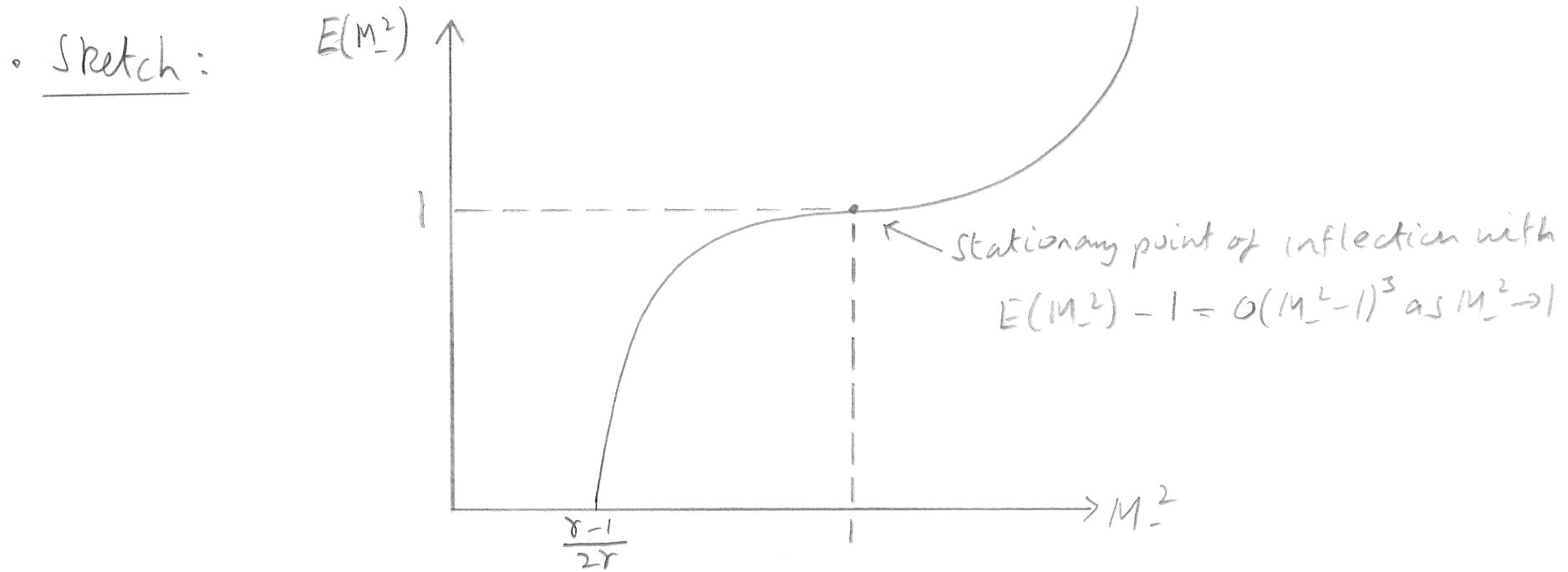


• Thus, $M_+ \neq M_- \Rightarrow$ either (i) $M_+^2 < 1 < M_-^2$
or (ii) $M_-^2 < 1 < M_+^2$

• I.e. flow transitions between supersonic and subsonic, but which?

- Recall entropy $S = S_0 + C_v \log(P/\rho^\gamma)$. From above,

$$\exp\left(\frac{S_+ - S_-}{C_v}\right) = \frac{P_+/P_+^\gamma}{P_-/P_-^\gamma} = E(M_-^2) = \left(\frac{2\gamma M_-^2 - (\gamma - 1)}{\gamma + 1}\right) \left(\frac{2 + (\gamma - 1)M_-^2}{(\gamma + 1)M_-^2}\right)^\gamma$$



- $M_+ \neq M_- \Rightarrow$ either (i) or (ii) $\Rightarrow M_-^2 \neq 1 \Rightarrow E(M_-^2) \neq 1 \Rightarrow S_+ \neq S_-$,
i.e. entropy must be discontinuous across a shock.

- Suppose flow is left to right, so that $u_{\pm} > 0$. Then 2nd law of thermodynamics says $S_+ > S_- \Rightarrow E(M_-^2) > 1 \Rightarrow M_-^2 > 1$ (from graph) \Rightarrow case (i) applies with $M_+^2 < 1 < M_-^2$, i.e. flow changes from supersonic ($M_- > 1$) to subsonic ($M_+ < 1$) as the gas crosses the shock.

- Then (1'') - (3'') $\Rightarrow \frac{P_+}{P_-} > 1, \frac{\rho_+}{\rho_-} > 1, \frac{T_+}{T_-} > 1$, so that p, ρ, T all increase as the gas crosses the shock.

- For a moving shock, the above applies if we define the Mach number relative to the moving shock, i.e. $M \mapsto M = \frac{u - \dot{s}}{c}$.