

Quantitative Compactness Estimates for Conservation Laws

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MOTIVATION

- Consider a parabolic PDE of the form

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = \epsilon \partial_x^2 u, & x \in \mathbf{R}, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = u^{in} \end{cases}$$

For each $\epsilon > 0$, the energy equality

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{1}{2} u(t, x)^2 dx + \epsilon \int_0^t \int_{\mathbf{R}} \partial_x u(s, x)^2 dx ds = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{1}{2} u^{in}(x)^2 dx$$

gives us a bound on u in $L_t^\infty(L_x^2) \cap L_t^2(\dot{H}_x^1)$ so that the solution map

$$L_x^2 \ni u^{in} \mapsto u \in L_{loc}^2(dt dx)$$

is compact by Rellich's theorem.

- What remains of this compactness in the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ — that is, for entropy solutions of the inviscid equation?

- Consider the conservation law

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0, & x \in \mathbf{R}, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = u^{in} \end{cases}$$

with strictly convex flux $f \in C^1(\mathbf{R})$ such that $f'(z) \rightarrow \pm\infty$ as $z \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

Two compactness results:

- (P.D. Lax, 1954) For each $t > 0$, the entropy solution dynamics

$$u^{in} \mapsto u(t, \cdot)$$

is compact from L^1_x into $L^1_{loc}(dx)$

- (L. Tartar, 1979) **Compensated compactness** (entropy bound + div-curl)
 \Rightarrow convergence of the vanishing viscosity method

Both arguments are based on the fact that

$$u_n \rightharpoonup u \quad \text{and} \quad F(u_n) \rightharpoonup F(u)$$

for some suitable class of nonlinearities F implies that

$$u_n \rightarrow u \quad \text{STRONGLY}$$

QUESTION (P.D. LAX, 2002): can one transform such arguments into quantitative compactness or regularity estimates?

Part 1: ϵ -entropy estimate for scalar conservation laws

Joint work with C. De Lellis

Let $f \in C^2(\mathbf{R})$ with $f'' \geq a > 0$, and s.t.(WLOG) $f(0) = f'(0) = 0$.

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0, & x \in \mathbf{R}, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = u^{in} \end{cases}$$

Entropy solution semigroup $S(t) : u^{in} \mapsto u(t, \cdot)$; it satisfies the

Lax-Oleinik one-sided estimate: $\partial_x (S(t)u^{in}) \leq \frac{1}{at}, \quad t > 0$

Definition (Kolmogorov-Tikhomirov, 1959) For $\epsilon > 0$, the ϵ -entropy of E precompact in the metric space (X, d) is :

$$H(E|X) = \log_2 N_\epsilon(E)$$

where $N_\epsilon(E)$ is the minimal number of sets in an ϵ -covering of E — i.e. a covering of E by sets of diameter $\leq 2\epsilon$ in X

Example: $H_\epsilon([0, 1]^n | \mathbf{R}^n) \simeq n \lceil \log_2 \epsilon \rceil$

For each $R, m, t > 0$, the set $\left\{ u|_{[-R, R]} \text{ s.t. } u \in S(t) \overline{B_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}(0, m)} \right\}$ is precompact in $L^1([-R, R])$ (P.D. Lax, 1954)

Theorem. (C. DeLellis, F.G. 2005) For each $\epsilon > 0$, one has

$$H_\epsilon \left(S(t) \overline{B_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}(0, m)} | L^1([-R, R]) \right) \leq \frac{C_1(t)}{\epsilon} + 2 \log_2 \left(\frac{C_2(t)}{\epsilon} + C_3(t) \right)$$

where

$$C_1(t) = \frac{32R^2}{at} + 32RM(t), \quad C_3(t) = 3 + \frac{2tM(t)c_M(t)}{R + \sqrt{mat}}$$

$$C_2(t) = \frac{8R}{at} \left(R + \sqrt{mat} + 2tM(t)c_M(t) \right)$$

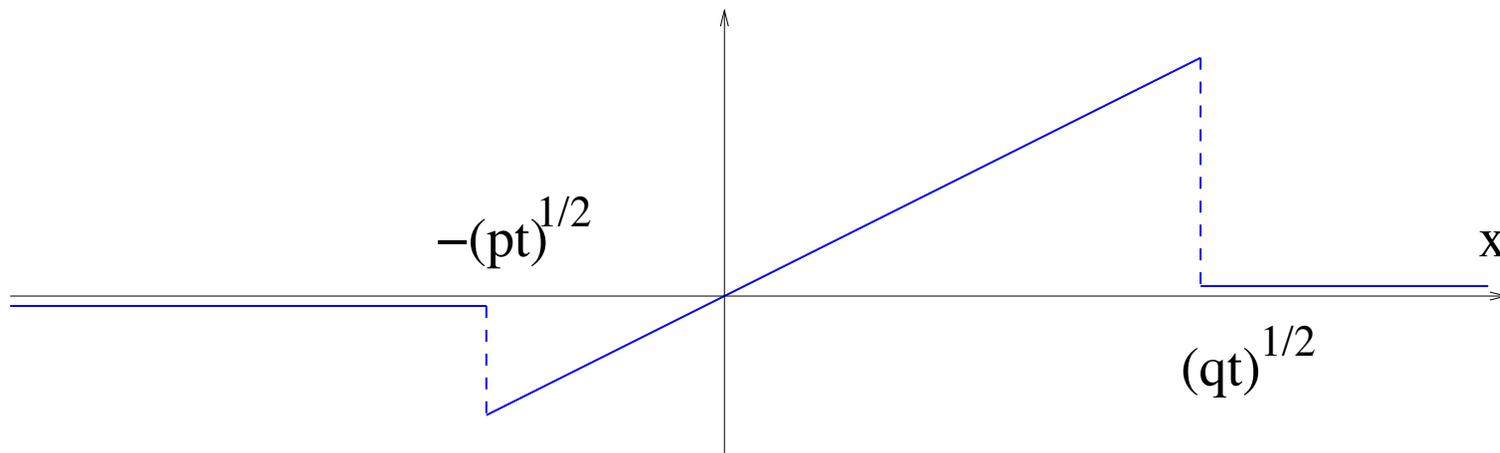
and with the notations $M(t) = \sqrt{\frac{4m}{at}}$ and $c_M = \sup_{|z| \leq M} f''(z)$.

•(P.D. Lax, 1957) In the limit as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, one has $S(t)u^{in} - N_{p,q}(t) \rightarrow 0$ in $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ where $N_{p,q}$ is the N-wave

$$N_{p,q}(t) = \begin{cases} x/f''(0)t & \text{if } -\sqrt{pt} < x < \sqrt{qt} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and where

$$p = -2f''(0) \inf_y \int_{-\infty}^y u^{in}, \quad q = 2f''(0) \sup_y \int_y^{\infty} u^{in}$$



•Hence, in the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$, one has

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \text{ (resp. } \underline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \text{) } H_\epsilon(S(t) \overline{B_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}}(0, m) | L^1(\mathbf{R})) \sim 2 |\log_2 \epsilon|$$

•Our bound on the ϵ -entropy does not capture this behavior; yet it shows that

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow +\infty} H_\epsilon(S(t) \overline{B_{L^1(\mathbf{R})}}(0, m) | L^1([-R(t), R(t)])) = O(1)$$

as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ whenever $R(t) = o(\sqrt{t})$; consistent with the fact that the dependence of the N -wave in p, q can be seen **only on intervals of length at least $O(\sqrt{t})$**

Motivation: P.D. Lax advocated using ϵ -entropy estimates for defining a notion of **resolving power** of a numerical scheme for the conservation law

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0$$

Part 2: regularity by compensated compactness

Scalar conservation laws in space dimension 1

Let $f \in C^2(\mathbf{R})$ with $f'' \geq a > 0$, and s.t.(WLOG) $f(0) = f'(0) = 0$;

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0, & x \in \mathbf{R}, t > 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = u^{in} \end{cases}$$

An adaptation of Tartar's compensated compactness method leads to

Theorem. For each $u^{in} \in L^\infty(\mathbf{R})$ s.t. $u^{in}(x) = 0$ a.e. in $|x| \geq R$, the entropy solution $u \in B_{\infty,loc}^{1/4,4}(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$, i.e.

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t,x)^2 |u(t,x) - u(t+s,x+y)|^4 dx dt = O(|s| + |y|)$$

for each $\chi \in C_c^1(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$

• DEGENERATE CONVEX FLUXES: assume that $f \in C^2(\mathbf{R})$ satisfies

$$f''(v) > 0 \text{ for each } v \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$$

$$f''(v) \geq a_k |v - v_k|^{2\beta_k} \text{ for each } v \text{ near } v_k, \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, n$$

for some $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbf{R}$ and $a_1, \beta_1, \dots, a_n, \beta_n > 0$.

Theorem. For each $u^{in} \in L^\infty(\mathbf{R})$ s.t. $u^{in}(x) = 0$ a.e. in $|x| \geq R$, the entropy solution $u \in B_{\infty,loc}^{1/p,p}(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$, with $p = 2 \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \beta_k + 4$ i.e.

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi(t, x)^2 |u(t, x) - u(t + s, x + y)|^p dx dt = O(|s| + |y|)$$

for each $\chi \in C_c^1(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$

COMPARISON WITH KNOWN RESULTS

- Lax-Oleinik estimate $\Rightarrow u \in BV_{loc}(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$ (specific to scalar conservation laws, space dimension 1, and $f'' \geq a > 0$)
 - Perthame-Jabin (2002) prove that $u \in W_{loc}^{s,p}(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R})$ for $s < \frac{1}{3}$ and $1 \leq p < \frac{5}{2}$. Proof based on **kinetic formulation + velocity averaging**; generalizes to degenerate fluxes, higher space dimensions + one particular 2×2 system in space dimension 1 (isentropic Euler with $\gamma = 3$.)
 - DeLellis-Westdickenberg (2003) prove that one cannot obtain better regularity than $B_\infty^{1/r,r}$ for $r \geq 3$ or $B_r^{1/3,r}$ for $1 \leq r < 3$ by using only the fact that the **entropy production is a bounded Radon measure** without using that it is a **positive measure** — as does the Perthame-Jabin, or our proof.
- \Rightarrow the compensated compactness method gives a regularity estimate in the **DeLellis-Westdickenberg optimality class**

Proof of regularity by compensated compactness

- Non degenerate case: $f'' \geq a > 0$ and (WLOG) $f(0) = f'(0) = 0$.

We shall only use the fact that the entropy solution u satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) &= 0 \\ \partial_t \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \partial_x g(u) &= -\mu\end{aligned}$$

where

$$g(v) := \int_0^v w f'(w) dw \quad \text{and} \quad \iint_{\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R}} |\mu| \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{1}{2} |u^{in}|^2 dx < \infty$$

Notation: henceforth, we denote

$$\tau_{(s,y)} \phi(t, x) = \phi(t - s, x - y), \quad \text{and} \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 1: the div-curl argument. Set

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ f(u) \end{pmatrix}, \quad E = (\tau_{(s,y)} - I) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}u^2 \\ g(u) \end{pmatrix}$$

One has

$$E, B \in L_{t,x}^\infty, \quad \operatorname{div}_{t,x} B = 0, \quad \operatorname{div}_{t,x} E = \mu - \tau_{(s,y)}\mu$$

In particular, there exists

$$\pi \in \operatorname{Lip}(\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}), \quad \text{s.t. } B = J\nabla_{t,x}\pi$$

Integrating by parts shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 E \cdot J(\tau_{(s,y)} B - B) dt dx &= - \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 E \cdot \nabla_{t,x} (\tau_{(s,y)} \pi - \pi) dt dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \nabla_{t,x} \chi^2 \cdot E (\tau_{(s,y)} \pi - \pi) dt dx \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 (\tau_{(s,y)} \pi - \pi) (\mu - \tau_{(s,y)} \mu) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, one has the upper bound

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 E \cdot J(\tau_{(s,y)} B - B) dt dx \\ & \leq \left(\|\nabla_{t,x} \chi^2\|_{L^1} \|E\|_{L^\infty} + 2\|\chi^2\|_{L^\infty} \iint |\mu| \right) \text{Lip}(\pi)(|s| + |y|) \end{aligned}$$

which leads to an estimate of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 \left((\tau_{(s,y)} u - u)(\tau_{(s,y)} g(u) - g(u)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{1}{2}(\tau_{(s,y)} u^2 - u^2)(\tau_{(s,y)} f(u) - f(u)) \right) dt dx \leq C(|s| + |y|) \end{aligned}$$

Next we shall give a lower bound for the integrand in the left-hand side.

Remark here the div-curl argument reduces to a simple integration by parts, since $\text{div}_{t,x} B = 0$.

Step 2: a pointwise inequality

Lemma. For each $v, w \in \mathbb{R}$, one has ($f'' \geq a > 0$)

$$(w - v)(g(w) - g(v)) - \frac{1}{2}(w^2 - v^2)(f(w) - f(v)) \geq \frac{a}{12}|w - v|^4$$

Proof: WLOG, assume that $v < w$, and write

$$\begin{aligned} & (w - v)(g(w) - g(v)) - \frac{1}{2}(w^2 - v^2)(f(w) - f(v)) = \\ & \int_v^w d\xi \int_v^w \zeta f'(\zeta) d\zeta - \int_v^w \xi d\xi \int_v^w f'(\zeta) d\zeta = \int_v^w \int_v^w (\zeta - \xi) f'(\zeta) d\xi d\zeta \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \int_v^w \int_v^w (\zeta - \xi)(f'(\zeta) - f'(\xi)) d\xi d\zeta \geq \frac{a}{2} \int_v^w \int_v^w (\zeta - \xi)^2 d\xi d\zeta \end{aligned}$$

Remark Tartar uses the flux f as entropy, together with Cauchy-Schwarz

$$(w-v)(h(w)-h(v)) \geq (f(w)-f(v))^2 \quad \text{with } h(v) := \int_0^v f'(w)^2 dw$$

which is OK since he is aiming at proving compactness, not regularity

Step 3: conclusion Putting together the upper bound for the integral in Step 1 and the lower bound for the integrand of the left hand side obtained in Step 2, we find that

$$\frac{a}{12} \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathbf{R}} \chi^2 |\tau_{(s,y)} u - u|^4 dt dx \leq C(|s| + |y|)$$

which is the announced $B_{\infty,loc}^{1/4,4}$ estimate for the entropy solution u . \square

Remark Here we have used only one convex entropy $\frac{1}{2}u^2$. By using **all Krushkov entropies**, the compensated compactness argument above leads to the **optimal regularity estimate in $B_{\infty,loc}^{1/3,3}$** (B. Perthame)

1D Isentropic Euler system, $1 < \gamma < 3$

Unknowns: $\rho \equiv \rho(t, x)$ (density) and $u \equiv u(t, x)$ (velocity field)

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho + \partial_x(\rho u) &= 0 \\ \partial_t(\rho u) + \partial_x(\rho u^2 + \kappa \rho^\gamma) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- Hyperbolic system of conservation laws, with characteristic speeds

$$\lambda_+ := u + \theta \rho^\theta > u - \theta \rho^\theta =: \lambda_-, \quad \text{with } \theta = \sqrt{\kappa \gamma} = \frac{\gamma-1}{2}$$

- Along any C^1 solution (ρ, u) , this system can be put in diagonal form

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t w_+ + \lambda_+ \partial_x w_+ &= 0, \\ \partial_t w_- + \lambda_- \partial_x w_- &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

where $w_\pm \equiv w_\pm(\rho, u)$ are the Riemann invariants

$$w_+ := u + \rho^\theta > u - \rho^\theta =: w_-$$

- R. DiPerna (1983) proved that, for each initial data (ρ^{in}, u^{in}) satisfying

$$(\rho^{in} - \bar{\rho}, u^{in}) \in C_c^2(\mathbf{R}) \text{ and } \rho^{in} > 0$$

there exists an entropy (weak) solution (ρ, u) of the isentropic Euler system that satisfies the L^∞ bound

$$0 \leq \rho \leq \rho^* = \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}} \left(\frac{1}{2} (w_+(\rho^{in}, u^{in}) - w_-(\rho^{in}, u^{in})) \right)^{1/\theta}$$

$$\inf_{x \in \mathbf{R}} w_-(\rho^{in}, u^{in}) =: u_* \leq u \leq u^* := \sup_{x \in \mathbf{R}} w_+(\rho^{in}, u^{in})$$

- DiPerna's argument applies to $\gamma = 1 + \frac{2}{2n+1}$, for each $n \geq 1$; improvements by G.Q. Chen and, more recently, by P.-L. Lions, B. Perthame, P. Souganidis and E. Tadmor, by using a kinetic formulation of Euler's system

- Problem: is there a **regularizing effect** for isentropic Euler? what is the **regularity of entropy solutions**?

Admissible solutions

● **Weak entropies:** an entropy ϕ for the isentropic Euler system is called a “weak entropy” if $\phi|_{\rho=0} = 0$.

Example: the energy \mathcal{E} , with energy flux \mathcal{G} :

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{E}(U) = \frac{1}{2}\rho u^2 + \frac{\kappa}{\gamma-1}\rho^\gamma \\ \mathcal{G}(U) = u(\mathcal{E}(U) + \kappa\rho^\gamma) \end{cases} \quad \text{where } U = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \end{pmatrix}$$

● DiPerna’s solutions are obtained from solutions of the parabolic system

$$\partial_t U_\epsilon + \partial_x F(U_\epsilon) = \epsilon \partial_{xx} U_\epsilon$$

in the limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$. These solutions satisfy

$$\partial_t \mathcal{E}(U) + \partial_x \mathcal{G}(U) = -M \text{ with } M = \text{w-}\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon D^2 \mathcal{E}(U_\epsilon) : \partial_x U_\epsilon^{\otimes 2} \geq 0$$

- Each **weak** entropy ϕ has its dissipation dominated by that of E :

$$|D^2\phi(U)| \leq C_{\phi,K} D^2\mathcal{E}(U) \text{ for } U \in K \text{ compact subset of } \mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R}$$

- Hence DiPerna solutions of Euler's system constructed as above satisfy, for each **weak** entropy ϕ , the entropy condition

$$\partial_t\phi(U) + \partial_x\psi(U) = -\mu[\phi]$$

where $\mu[\phi]$ is a **bounded Radon measure** verifying the bound

$$|\langle \mu[\phi], \chi \rangle| \leq C_{\phi,K} \langle M, \chi \rangle, \quad \chi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R})$$

where M is the energy dissipation.

Definition. Let $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}$ open. A weak solution $U = (\rho, \rho u)$ s.t.

$$0 < \rho_* \leq \rho \leq \rho^* \quad \text{and} \quad u_* \leq u \leq u^* \quad \text{for } (t, x) \in \mathcal{O}$$

is called an admissible solution on \mathcal{O} iff for each entropy ϕ , weak or not,

$$\partial_t \phi(U) + \partial_x \psi(U) = -\mu[\phi]$$

is a Radon measure such that

$$\|\mu[\phi]\|_{\mathcal{M}_b(\mathcal{O})} \leq C(\rho_*, \rho^*, u_*, u^*) \|D^2 \phi\|_{L^\infty([\rho_*, \rho^*] \times [u_*, u^*])} \int_{\mathcal{O}} M$$

● Example: any DiPerna solution whose viscous approximation U_ϵ satisfies the uniform lower bound

$$\rho_\epsilon \geq \rho_* > 0 \quad \text{on } \mathcal{O} \text{ for each } \epsilon > 0$$

is admissible on \mathcal{O} .

● Existence of admissible solutions in the large?

Theorem. Assume that $\gamma \in (1, 3)$ and let \mathcal{O} be any open set in $\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}$. Any admissible solution of Euler's system on \mathcal{O} satisfies

$$\iint_{\mathcal{O}} |(\rho, u)(t + s, x + y) - (\rho, u)(t, x)|^2 dx dt \leq \text{Const.} |\ln(|s| + |y|)|^{-2}$$

whenever $|s| + |y| < \frac{1}{2}$.

• In the special case $\gamma = 3$, the same method gives

Theorem. Assume that $\gamma = 3$ and let \mathcal{O} be any open set in $\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}$. Any admissible solution of Euler's system on $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}$ satisfies

$$(\rho, u) \in B_{\infty, loc}^{1/4, 4}(\mathcal{O})$$

- For $\gamma = 3$, by using the kinetic formulation and velocity averaging, one has (Lions-Perthame-Tadmor JAMS 1994, Jabin-Perthame COCV 2002)

$$\rho, \rho u \in W_{loc}^{s,p}(\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{R}) \text{ for all } s < \frac{1}{4}, \quad 1 \leq p \leq \frac{8}{5}$$

- The kinetic formulation for $\gamma \in (1, 3)$ is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \chi + \partial_x [(\theta \xi + (1 - \theta)u(t, x))\chi] &= \partial_{\xi\xi} m && \text{with } m \geq 0 \\ \text{and } \chi &= [(w_+ - \xi)(\xi - w_-)]_+^\lambda && \text{for } \lambda = \frac{3-\gamma}{2(\gamma-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Because of the **presence of $u(t, x)$ in the advection velocity** — which is just bounded, not smooth — classical velocity averaging lemmas (Agoshkov, G-Lions-Perthame-Sentis, DiPerna-Lions-Meyer, ...) do not apply in this case

Main ideas in the proof

Step 1: the div-curl bilinear estimate A variant of Murat-Tartar div-curl lemma is the following bilinear estimate

$$\left| \iint \chi^2 E \cdot JB dt dx \right| \leq \text{harmless localization terms} \\ + \|\chi E\|_{L^p} \|\chi \operatorname{div}_{t,x} E\|_{W^{-1,p'}} + \|\chi B\|_{L^p} \|\chi \operatorname{div}_{t,x} B\|_{W^{-1,p'}}$$

where J is the rotation of an angle $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $p \in (1, \infty)$. Apply this with

$$E = (\tau_{(s,y)} - I) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(\rho, u) \\ \psi_1(\rho, u) \end{pmatrix} \quad B = (\tau_{(s,y)} - I) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2(\rho, u) \\ \psi_2(\rho, u) \end{pmatrix}$$

where (ϕ_1, ψ_1) and (ϕ_2, ψ_2) are two entropy pairs, while (ρ, u) is an admissible solution of isentropic Euler on \mathcal{O} , and $\operatorname{supp}(\chi)$ is a compact subset of \mathcal{O}

The admissibility condition implies that

$$\operatorname{div}_{t,x} E = -(\tau_{(s,y)} - I)\mu[\phi_1], \quad \operatorname{div}_{t,x} B = -(\tau_{(s,y)} - I)\mu[\phi_2]$$

with

$$\|\mu[\phi_j]\|_{\mathcal{M}_b(\mathcal{O})} \leq C \|D^2 \phi_j\|_{L^\infty([\rho_*, \rho^*] \times [u_*, u^*])}$$

where $0 < \rho_* \leq \rho \leq \rho^*$ and $u_* \leq u \leq u^*$ on \mathcal{O} . By Sobolev embedding $W^{r,p}(\mathbf{R}^2) \subset C(\mathbf{R}^2)$ for $r > \frac{2}{p}$; by duality

$$\|\chi \operatorname{div}_{t,x} E\|_{W^{-1,p'}} \leq C_r \|D^2 \phi_j\|_{L^\infty([\rho_*, \rho^*] \times [u_*, u^*])} (|s| + |y|)^{1-r}$$

and likewise for B , so that

$$\left| \iint \chi^2 E \cdot JB dt dx \right| \leq C_r \|D^2 \phi_j\|_{L^\infty([\rho_*, \rho^*] \times [u_*, u^*])} (|s| + |y|)^{1-r}$$

CONCLUSION:

Div-curl \Rightarrow upper bound for integral of Tartar's equation

Step 2: the Tartar equation for Lax entropies Define

$$T[\phi_1, \phi_2](U, V) := (\phi_1(V) - \phi_1(U))(\psi_2(V) - \psi_2(U)) \\ - (\psi_1(V) - \psi_1(U))(\phi_2(V) - \phi_2(U))$$

for two entropy pairs (ϕ_1, ψ_1) and (ϕ_2, ψ_2) , so that

$$E \cdot JB = T[\phi_1, \phi_2](\tau_{(s,y)}(\rho, u), (\rho, u))$$

Therefore, for each $\chi \in C_c^1(\mathcal{O})$, step 1 leads to an **upper bound** for

$$\iint_{\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}} \chi^2 T[\phi_1, \phi_2](\tau_{(s,y)}(\rho, u), (\rho, u)) dt ds = \iint_{\mathbf{R}_+^* \times \mathbf{R}} \chi^2 E \cdot JB dt ds \\ \leq C_r \|D^2 \phi_j\|_{L^\infty([\rho_*, \rho^*] \times [u_*, u^*])} (|s| + |y|)^{1-r}$$

As in case of a scalar conservation law, we need a **lower bound** of that same quantity.

- Use **Lax entropies** in Riemann invariant coordinates

$$\phi_{\pm}(w, k) = e^{kw_{\pm}} \left(A_0^{\pm}(w) + \frac{A_1^{\pm}(w)}{k} + \dots \right), \quad k \rightarrow \pm\infty$$

$$\psi_{\pm}(w, k) = e^{kw_{\pm}} \left(B_0^{\pm}(w) + \frac{B_1^{\pm}(w)}{k} + \dots \right), \quad w = (w_+, w_-)$$

- Such entropies exist for all strictly hyperbolic systems (Lax 1971): hence the need for the **lower bound** $\rho \geq \rho_* > 0$

- **Leading order term in Tartar's equation:** as $k \rightarrow +\infty$

$$T[\phi_+(\cdot, k), \phi_+(\cdot, -k)](U, V) = 2A_0^+(w(U))A_0^+(w(V)) \\ \times (\lambda_+(U) - \lambda_+(V)) \sinh(k(w_+(U) - w_+(V))) + \dots$$

$$T[\phi_+(\cdot, k), \phi_+(\cdot, -k)](U, V) = 2A_0^-(w(U))A_0^-(w(V)) \\ \times (\lambda_-(U) - \lambda_-(V)) \sinh(k(w_-(U) - w_-(V))) + \dots$$

At this point, we use two important features of Euler's isentropic system.

• Fact no.1: with $\theta = \frac{\gamma-1}{2}$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_+ \\ \lambda_- \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{A} \begin{pmatrix} w_+ \\ w_- \end{pmatrix} \text{ with } \mathcal{A} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \theta & 1 - \theta \\ 1 - \theta & 1 + \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

and for $\gamma \in (1, 3)$ one has $\theta \in (0, 1)$, leading to the coercivity estimate

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sinh(a) \\ \sinh(b) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \mathcal{A} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \geq \theta (a \sinh(a) + b \sinh(b)) + (1 - \theta) \times \text{positive}$$

Suggests a lower bound on

$$a^2 T[\phi_+(\cdot, k), \phi_+(\cdot, -k)](U, V) + b^2 T[\phi_+(\cdot, k), \phi_+(\cdot, -k)](U, V)$$

provided that the leading order terms in Lax entropies are proportional:

$$aA_0^+(w) = bA_0^-(w)$$

- Fact no.2: Euler's isentropic system satisfies the relation

$$\partial_+ \left(\frac{\partial_- \lambda_+}{\lambda_+ - \lambda_-} \right) = \partial_- \left(\frac{\partial_+ \lambda_-}{\lambda_- - \lambda_+} \right)$$

Hence there exists a function $\Lambda \equiv \Lambda(w_+, w_-)$ such that

$$(\partial_+ \Lambda, \partial_- \Lambda) = \left(\frac{\partial_+ \lambda_-}{\lambda_- - \lambda_+}, \frac{\partial_- \lambda_+}{\lambda_+ - \lambda_-} \right)$$

so that one can take

$$A_0^+(w_+, w_-) = A_0^-(w_+, w_-) = e^{\Lambda(w_+, w_-)}$$

Here we choose

$$A_0(w_+, w_-) = (w_+ - w_-)^{\frac{1-\theta}{2\theta}}$$

FINAL REMARKS

- At variance with the original DiPerna argument (1983) for genuinely non-linear 2×2 system, the proof above is based on the **leading order term** in the Tartar equation — whereas DiPerna's argument uses the **next to leading order term** of the same equation

- Not all Lax entropies are convex, or weak entropies — i.e. vanish for $\rho = 0$. In order to control the **entropy production**

$$\partial_t \phi_{\pm}(w, k) + \partial_x \psi_{\pm}(w, k) =: -\mu_{\pm}^k$$

one needs **locally admissible solutions**

- Perhaps one can use only weak entropies — as in the original proof of compactness by DiPerna. This would require refining significantly the present argument.