

Hyperbolic Conservation Laws Tutorial

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1. Examples of HCL, scalar and vector case.

In this class, we want to study eqns of the form

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}) = 0.$$

Here, $\mathbf{u}: \mathbb{R}^t \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ so $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_m)$ where

$$u_i: \mathbb{R}^t \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

Moreover, $\mathbf{F}: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow M^{m \times n}$ where $M^{m \times n}$ are matrices with m rows and n columns.

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} F_{11}(\mathbf{u}) & \dots & F_{1n}(\mathbf{u}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ F_{m1}(\mathbf{u}) & \dots & F_{mn}(\mathbf{u}) \end{pmatrix}$$

Divergence is computed wrt each row separately.

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{x_1} F_{11}(\mathbf{u}) & \dots & \partial_{x_n} F_{1n}(\mathbf{u}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \partial_{x_1} F_{m1}(\mathbf{u}) & \dots & \partial_{x_n} F_{mn}(\mathbf{u}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Example 1: Scalar equation ($x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$, $u \in \mathbb{R}$).

We will develop a whole theory for such equations.

Example 2: Systems of equations. ($u \in \mathbb{R}^m$). This remains unsolved even in the case $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$.

Example 3: Euler's equation in one **space** dimension:

$$\begin{cases} \rho_t + (\rho v)_x & = 0 \\ (\rho v)_t + (\rho v^2 + p)_x & = 0 \\ (\rho E)_t + (\rho E v + p v)_x & = 0 \end{cases}$$

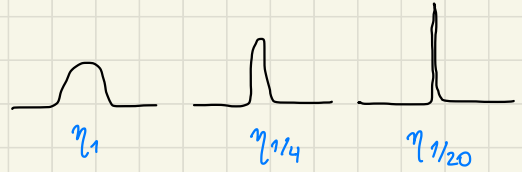
where ρ is density, v is velocity, E is energy density (per unit mass).

2A. Mollification, convergence results.

(Ref: Brezis, 4.4, Mollification)

Let $\eta: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a standard mollifier, i.e.

- $\eta \geq 0$,
- $\int \eta = 1$,
- η is compactly supported in $B(0,1)$,
- η is smooth.



For $\epsilon > 0$, we define $\eta_\epsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\epsilon^n} \eta\left(\frac{x}{\epsilon}\right)$ so that $\int \eta_\epsilon = 1$, η_ϵ is supported in the ball $B(0, \epsilon)$.

Three properties that are crucial in PDEs:

① If $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $f * \eta_\epsilon$ is smooth and

$$D^k (f * \eta_\epsilon) = f * D^k \eta_\epsilon.$$

② If $f \in C(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $f * \eta_\epsilon \rightarrow f$ uniformly on compact subsets of \mathbb{R}^n .

③ If $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ then $f * \eta_\epsilon \rightarrow f$ in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Sketch to 1: Note that $(f * \eta_\epsilon)(x) = \int f(y) \eta_\epsilon(x-y) dy$
so differentiation does not see f . \square

SLN to 2:

$$\begin{aligned} |f * \eta_\varepsilon(x) - f(x)| &= \left| \int f(x-y) \eta_\varepsilon(y) dy - \int f(x) \eta_\varepsilon(y) dy \right| \\ &\leq \int \eta_\varepsilon(y) |f(x-y) - f(x)| dy \\ &\quad B(0, \varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

Let $x \in K$ (compact set) and let K_ε be closure of convex hull of K . As f is continuous,

$$\forall \delta > 0 \quad \exists \varepsilon_\delta \quad \forall x, y \in K_\varepsilon \quad |x-y| \leq \varepsilon_\delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| \leq \delta.$$

Hence, when $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_\delta$, we have

$$|f * \eta_\varepsilon(x) - f(x)| \leq \int_{B(0, \varepsilon)} \eta_\varepsilon(y) dy \cdot \delta = \delta.$$

As δ is arbitrary and independent of $x \in K$, this concludes the proof.

SLN to 3: Let $\delta > 0$. There is $f_0 \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$\|f_0 - f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \delta. \text{ We write}$$

$$\|f - f * \eta_\varepsilon\|_{L^p} \leq \|f - f_0\|_p + \|f_0 - f_0 * \eta_\varepsilon\|_p + \|(f_0 - f) * \eta_\varepsilon\|_p$$

$$\text{By Young's ineq: } \|(f_0 - f) * \eta_\varepsilon\|_p \leq \|f_0 - f\|_p.$$

$$\text{By (2), } \limsup_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \|f - f * \eta_\varepsilon\|_p \leq 2\|f_0 - f\|_p \leq 2\delta$$

As δ is arbitrary, the proof is concluded. \square

2B. Strong compactness in L^p ($1 \leq p < \infty$): Kolmogorov - Riesz - Frechet theorem.

(Ref: Brezis, Chapter 4.5)

In infinite-dimensional spaces, bounded sets do not have to be compact as the following example shows.

① Let H be inf. dim. Hilbert space. Let $\{e_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ be its orthonormal basis. Prove that $\{e_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded but not compact.

S.L.N: Clearly $\|e_i\| = 1$ so the set is bounded. Moreover,
 $\|e_i - e_j\|^2 = \langle e_i - e_j, e_i - e_j \rangle = \|e_i\|^2 + \|e_j\|^2 - 2\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = 2$
so $\{e_i\}$ cannot have a convergent subsequence. \square

There are two ways to overcome this difficulty in PDEs:

- additional conditions on bounded sets
- working in weak topologies.

In this class, we gonna work on PDEs of the form
 $\partial_t u + \operatorname{div} F(u) = 0$ so we need strong compactness.
nonlinearity

First, we recall classical A-A theorem.

THEOREM (Arzela, Ascoli). Let (K, d) be a compact metric space and let \mathcal{H} be a bounded set of $C(K)$ (wrt $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ norm). Assume that \mathcal{H} is uniformly continuous

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta_\varepsilon \ d(x_1, x_2) \leq \delta_\varepsilon \Rightarrow |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}$$

Then, the closure of \mathcal{H} in $C(K)$ is compact.

Now, to formulate L^p analogue we need some notation.

For $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we define $T_h f(x) = f(x+h)$ ($h \in \mathbb{R}^n$).

If \mathcal{F} is a family of functions on \mathbb{R}^n , we write $\mathcal{F}|_\Omega$ for the family of their restrictions to $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

THEOREM (Kolmogorov, Riesz, Fréchet)

Let \mathcal{F} be a bounded set in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ where $1 \leq p < \infty$. Assume that

$$\lim_{|h| \rightarrow 0} \|T_h f - f\|_p = 0 \text{ uniformly in } f \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$\text{(i.e. } \forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta_\varepsilon > 0 \ |h| \leq \delta_\varepsilon \Rightarrow \|T_h f - f\|_p \leq \varepsilon \ \forall f \in \mathcal{F} \text{)}$$

Then, $\mathcal{F}|_\Omega$ has compact closure in $L^p(\Omega)$ for each $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ of finite measure.

② How to see AA in Kolmogorov theorem?

$$\|T_h f - f\|_p^p = \int |f(x+h) - f(x)|^p dx \text{ where } |(x+h) - x| \leq |h|.$$

This is "equicontinuity in L^p ".

③ The theorem is formulated for $\mathcal{F} \subset L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$. How to get compactness of $\mathcal{F} \subset L^p(\Omega)$?

We can extend functions to be defined on \mathbb{R}^n . The result is formulated in this way so that the shift operator is

well-defined.

④ The result gives compactness of $\mathcal{F}|_{\Omega}$ whenever Ω has a finite measure.

Example: fix $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ with $\text{supp } \varphi \subset [0, 1]$. Let $f_n(x) = \varphi(x+n)$. Prove that:

(A) $\{f_n\}$ is bounded in $L^p(\mathbb{R})$.

(B) $\{f_n\}$ satisfies L^p -equicontinuity condition.

(C) $\{f_n\}$ is **NOT** compact in $L^p(\mathbb{R})$.

Ad. (A):
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f_n|^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\varphi(x+n)|^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\varphi(x)|^p = \text{ind. of } n.$$

Ad. (B):
$$\|T_h f_n - f_n\|_p^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f_n(x+h) - f_n(x)|^p dx =$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\varphi(x+h+n) - \varphi(x+n)|^p dx = (*)$$

supported in $[-n-h, -n-h+1]$ supported in $[-n, -n+1]$

So the length of support is $|(-n+1) - (-n-h)| = |1+h|$.

$(*) \leq |1+h| \|\varphi'\|_\infty^p \cdot h^p \rightarrow 0$ as $|h| \rightarrow 0$ independ. of n .

Ad. (C): Suppose it is. In particular, there is a subseq. converging a.e. As φ is supported on $[0, 1]$, the subseq.

converges to 0. It follows that the subsequence $\{f_{n_k}\}$ should converge to 0 in L^p . But $\int |f_{n_k}|^p = \int |e|^p \not\rightarrow 0$.
 an additional \square .

We will see later that there is a condition that guarantee compactness in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

We move to the proof of Kolmogorov Theorem:

⑤ Follow steps to prove Kolmogorov Theorem:

STEP 1: let $\{\varrho_{1/n}\}$ be a standard mollifier. Fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and let δ_ε be as above. We claim

$$\|\varrho_{1/n} * f - f\|_p \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}, \quad \forall n > \frac{1}{\delta_\varepsilon}$$

PROOF: $\int |\varrho_{1/n} * f(x) - f(x)|^p dx =$

$$= \int \left| \int \varrho_{1/n}(y) f(x-y) dy - \int \varrho_{1/n}(y) f(x) dy \right|^p dx$$

$$= \int \left| \int \varrho_{1/n}(y) [f(x-y) - f(x)] dy \right|^p dx \leq$$

$$\leq \int \int \varrho_{1/n}(y) |f(x-y) - f(x)|^p dy dx =$$

Hölder with measure $\sim \varrho_{1/n}$

$$= \int \varrho_{1/n}(y) \left[\int |f(x-y) - f(x)|^p dx \right] dy \leq \varepsilon^p \quad \checkmark$$

$\uparrow |y| \leq \frac{1}{n} \leq \delta_\varepsilon$ as $|y| \leq \frac{1}{n} \leq \delta_\varepsilon$

STEP 2: We have inequalities:

- $\|g_{1/n} * f\|_\infty \leq C_n \|f\|_p$ (C_n - depends on n and p but p is fixed)
- $|g_{1/n} * f(x_1) - g_{1/n} * f(x_2)| \leq C_n \|f\|_p |x_1 - x_2|$.

PROOF: By Young's convolution inequality

$$\|f * g\|_r \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q \quad \frac{1}{r} + 1 = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}$$

we have $\|g_{1/n} * f\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_p \|g_{1/n}\|_{p'}$ C_n .

To see the second inequality, we need to estimate $\|\nabla(g_{1/n} * f)\|_\infty = \|(\nabla g_{1/n}) * f\|_\infty$ by properties of conv.

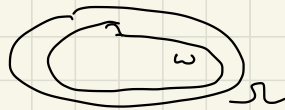
Again, by Young's ineq.,

$$\|(\nabla g_{1/n}) * f\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_p \|\nabla g_{1/n}\|_{p'} \quad C_n \quad \checkmark$$

STEP 3: Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a set of finite measure.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, there is $\omega \subset \Omega$ such that

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \omega)} \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}$$



("lack of concentration").

PROOF: By triangle inequality,

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \omega)} \leq \|f - f * \rho_{1/n}\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \omega)} + \|f * \rho_{1/n}\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \omega)}$$

$$\leq \|f - f * \rho_{1/n}\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)} + \|f * \rho_{1/n}\|_{L^\infty(\Omega \setminus \omega)}$$

$$\leq \varepsilon + C_n \|f\|_p |\Omega \setminus \omega| \quad \text{by Step 1 and Step 2.}$$

where n is chosen so that $n > \frac{1}{\delta_\varepsilon}$.

Choosing ω sufficiently large, we conclude the proof (we use here that f is bounded in L^p).

STEP 4: $\mathcal{F}|_\Omega$ is totally bounded (i.e. $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ there are $N(\varepsilon)$ balls of radius ε covering $\mathcal{F}|_\Omega$).

[in complete metric spaces: total boundedness is equivalent to compactness of the closure].

PROOF: Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Choose ω from Step 3. By Step 2, the set $\{\rho_{1/n} * f\}_{f \in \mathcal{F}} =: \mathcal{H}_n$ ($n \geq \frac{1}{\delta_{\varepsilon/3}}$ fixed) has compact closure in $(\bar{\omega})$. By dominated convergence, \mathcal{H}_n has also compact closure in $L^p(\bar{\omega})$, i.e. there are $g_1, \dots, g_{N_\varepsilon}$

such that $\forall f \in \mathcal{F} \exists i \ \| \rho_{1/n} * f - g_i \|_{L^p(\bar{\omega})} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$

We need to cover $\mathcal{F}|_\Omega$. Note that we already have covering of \mathcal{H}_n in $L^p(\bar{\omega})$ norm.

Let $\tilde{g}_i = \begin{cases} g_i & \text{on } \bar{\omega} \\ 0 & \text{on } \Omega \setminus \bar{\omega} \end{cases}$ and we claim that

$B(\tilde{g}_i, \varepsilon)$ cover $\mathcal{F}|_{\Omega}$ in $L^p(\Omega)$ norm. Indeed, let $f \in \mathcal{F}|_{\Omega}$, choose g_i such that

$$\|g_{i_n} * f - g_i\|_{L^p(\bar{\omega})} \leq \varepsilon/3.$$

As g_i is 0 on $\Omega \setminus \bar{\omega}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - g_i\|_{L^p(\Omega)} &\leq \|f\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \bar{\omega})} + \|f - g_i\|_{L^p(\bar{\omega})} \leq \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L^p(\Omega \setminus \bar{\omega})} + \|f - f * g_{i_n}\|_{L^p(\bar{\omega})} + \|f * g_{i_n} - g_i\|_{L^p(\bar{\omega})} \\ &\leq \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 + \varepsilon/3 = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

□

⑥ Under additional equitightness condition,

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \Omega \text{ bdd} \quad \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \Omega)} \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}$$

prove compactness of \mathcal{F} in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (without restriction).

SLN: We modify Step 3 above. This time we take

$$\tilde{g}_i = \begin{cases} g_i & \text{in } \Omega \\ 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \Omega. \end{cases}$$

□

⑦ [Connection with Reillich-Kondrakov thm]


It is standard result in PDEs that $W^{1,p}(U)$ is compactly embedded in $L^p(U)$ $1 \leq p < \infty$ ($p = \infty$ is Arzela-Ascoli).

Recall that if $D_i^h u(x) = \frac{u(x+he_i) - u(x)}{h}$ then

$$\bullet \|D_i^h u\|_p \leq C \|u\|_{W^{1,p}} \quad (1 \leq p < \infty)$$

$$\bullet \|D_i^h u\|_p \leq C \text{ (ind of } h) \Rightarrow u \in W^{1,p} \quad (1 < p < \infty)$$

(Ref: Evans, 8.5.2)

(There is easy example for $p=1$: ).

So, if $u \in W^{1,p}(U) \Rightarrow \|D_i^h u\|_{L^p} \leq C \|u\|_{W^{1,p}} \Rightarrow$

$\|T_h u - u\|_{L^p} \leq Ch \|u\|_{W^{1,p}} \rightarrow 0$ uniformly if we are in bounded set in $W^{1,p}$.

Kolmogorov theorem is stronger because it implies compactness from weaker estimates like

$$\|T_h u - u\|_{L^p} \leq Ch^{1/2} \|u\|_{W^{1,p}}$$

$$\text{or } \|T_h u - u\|_{L^p} \leq \phi(h)$$

where ϕ is a modulus of continuity.

In particular, in the proof of existence of solutions to conservation laws, we gonna deal with the 2nd case.

8 [HOMEWORK]

Let $G \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, \mathcal{B} be a bounded subset of $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with $1 \leq p < \infty$. Let $\mathcal{F} := \{G * B : B \in \mathcal{B}\}$. Prove that $\mathcal{F}|_{\Omega}$ has compact closure in $L^p(\Omega)$ for any Ω with finite measure.

2C. Weak compactness in L^p ($1 \leq p < \infty$): Banach-Alaoglu theorem.

We say that $\{f_n\} \subset L^p(\Omega)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ converges WEAKLY to $f \in L^p(\Omega)$ if $\int f_n \phi \rightarrow \int f \phi \quad \forall \phi \in L^{p'} \quad (\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1)$.

We say that $\{f_n\} \subset L^\infty(\Omega)$ converges WEAKLY* to $f \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ if $\int f_n \phi \rightarrow \int f \phi \quad \forall \phi \in L^1(\Omega)$.

THEOREM. (Banach, Alaoglu, Bourbaki)

Let $1 < p < \infty$ and let $\{f_n\} \subset L^p(\Omega)$ be a bounded sequence in $L^p(\Omega)$. Then, there is a subsequence converging weakly in $L^p(\Omega)$.

Similarly, if $\{f_n\} \subset L^\infty(\Omega)$ is a bounded seq. in $L^\infty(\Omega)$, there is a subsequence converging weakly* in $L^\infty(\Omega)$.