Energy/entropy conservation for general hyperbolic systems

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Introduction: the principle of conservation of energy for classical solutions

Let us first focus our attention on the incompressible Euler system

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div}(u \otimes u) + \nabla p = 0,$$

 $\operatorname{div} u = 0,$

If u is a classical solution, then multiplying the balance equation by u we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2}\partial_t |u|^2 + \frac{1}{2}u \cdot \nabla |u|^2 + u \cdot \nabla \rho = 0.$$

Integrating the last equality over the space domain $\boldsymbol{\Omega}$ yields

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\int_{\Omega}\frac{1}{2}|u(x,t)|^2\,\mathrm{d}x=0.$$

Consequently, integrating over time in (0, t), gives

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,t)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,0)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Weak solutions

However, if u is a weak solution, then

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,t)|^2 \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,0)|^2 \mathrm{d}x.$$

might not hold. Technically, the problem is that u might not be regular enough to justify integration by parts in the above derivation.

Motivated by the laws of turbulence Onsager postulated that there is a critical regularity for a weak solution to be a conservative one:

Conjecture, 1949

Let u be a weak solution of incompressible Euler system

- If $u \in C^{\alpha}$ with $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$, then the energy is conserved.
- For any $\alpha < \frac{1}{3}$ there exists a weak solution $u \in C^{\alpha}$ which does not conserve the energy.

Weak solutions of the incompressible Euler equations which do not conserve energy were constructed:

- Scheffer '93, Shnirelman '97 constructed examples of weak solutions in L²(ℝ² × ℝ) compactly supported in space and time
- De Lellis and Székelyhidi 2010 showed how to construct weak solutions for given energy profile

Still incompressible case

- Significant progress has recently been made in constructing energy-dissipating solutions slightly below the Onsager regularity , see e.g.:
 - T. Buckmaster, C. De Lellis, P. Isett, and L. Székelyhidi, Anomalous dissipation for 1/5-Hölder Euler flows. Ann. of Math. (2), 2015
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And the story is closed by the results:

- Philip Isett, A Proof of Onsager's Conjecture, arXiv:1608.08301
- Tristan Buckmaster, Camillo De Lellis, László Székelyhidi Jr., Vlad Vicol, Onsager's conjecture for admissible weak solutions, arXiv:1701.08678

Onsager conjecture:

If weak solution v has $C^{0,\alpha}$ (for $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$) regularity then it conserves energy. In the opposite case it may not conserve energy.

- The first part of this assertion was proved in
 - G. L. Eyink. Energy dissipation without viscosity in ideal hydrodynamics. I. Fourier analysis and local energy transfer. Phys. D, 1994
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The elements of Besov space $B_p^{\alpha,\infty}(\Omega)$, where $\Omega = (0, T) \times \mathbb{T}^d$ or $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^d$ are functions w for which the norm

$$\|w\|_{B^{\alpha,\infty}_{p}(\Omega)} := \|w\|_{L^{p}(\Omega)} + \sup_{\xi \in \Omega} \frac{\|w(\cdot + \xi) - w\|_{L^{p}(\Omega \cap (\Omega - \xi))}}{|\xi|^{\alpha}}$$

is finite (here $\Omega - \xi = \{x - \xi : x \in \Omega\}$). It is then easy to check that the definition of the Besov spaces implies

$$\|w^{\epsilon} - w\|_{L^{p}(\Omega)} \leq C\epsilon^{lpha} \|w\|_{B^{lpha,\infty}_{p}(\Omega)}$$

and

$$\|\nabla w^{\epsilon}\|_{L^{p}(\Omega)} \leq C\epsilon^{\alpha-1} \|w\|_{B^{\alpha,\infty}_{p}(\Omega)}.$$

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- take as the test function doubly mollified solution $(v^{\epsilon})^{\epsilon}$
- problem: estimate term $\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \operatorname{Tr}(v \otimes v)^{\epsilon} \cdot \nabla v^{\epsilon} dx$
- use the identity:

 $(v \otimes v)^{\epsilon} = v^{\epsilon} \otimes v^{\epsilon} + r_{\epsilon}(v, v) - (v - v^{\epsilon}) \otimes (v - v^{\epsilon})$ where $\|r_{\epsilon}(v, v)\|_{L^{3/2}} \leq C\epsilon^{2\alpha} \|v\|_{B^{\alpha,\infty}_{\rho}}^{2}$

Onsager's conjecture for compressible Euler system



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We consider now the isentropic Euler equations,

$$\partial_t(\rho u) + \operatorname{div}(\rho u \otimes u) + \nabla p(\rho) = 0,$$

$$\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0.$$
 (1)

We will use the notation for the so-called pressure potential defined as

$$P(\rho) = \rho \int_1^\rho \frac{p(r)}{r^2} dr.$$

Theorem (Feireisl, Gwiazda, Ś.-G., Wiedemann, ARMA 2017)

Let ϱ , u be a solution of (1) in the sense of distributions. Assume $u \in B_3^{\alpha,\infty}((0,T) \times \mathbb{T}^d), \ \varrho, \varrho u \in B_3^{\beta,\infty}((0,T) \times \mathbb{T}^d), 0 \leq \underline{\varrho} \leq \varrho \leq \overline{\varrho}$

for some constants $\underline{\varrho},\,\overline{\varrho},$ and $\mathbf{0}\leq\alpha,\beta\leq1$ such that

$$\beta > \max\left\{1 - 2\alpha; \frac{1 - \alpha}{2}\right\}.$$
 (2)

Assume further that $p \in C^2[\underline{\varrho}, \overline{\varrho}]$, and, in addition

p'(0) = 0 as soon as $\underline{\varrho} = 0$.

Then the energy is locally conserved in the sense of distributions on $(0, T) \times \Omega$, i.e.

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho |u|^2 + P(\varrho) \right) + \operatorname{div} \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} \varrho |u|^2 + p(\varrho) + P(\varrho) \right) u \right] = 0.$$

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Energy/entropy conservation

Shocks provide examples that show that our assumptions are sharp:

- A shock solution dissipates energy, but ρ and u are in $BV \cap L^{\infty}$, which embeds into $B_3^{1/3,\infty}$.
- Hence such a solution satisfies (2) with equality but fails to satisfy the conclusion.

The hypothesis on temporal regularity can be relaxed provided

$$\underline{\varrho} > 0$$

Indeed, in this case $\frac{(\varrho u)^{\epsilon}}{\varrho^{\epsilon}}$ can be used as a test function in the momentum equation, cf.

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- It is easy to notice similarities in the statements regarding sufficient regularity conditions guaranteeing energy/entropy conservation for various systems of equations of fluid dynamics.
- Especially the differentiability exponent of ¹/₃ is a recurring condition.
- One might therefore anticipate that a general statement could be made, which would cover all the above examples and more. Indeed, consider a general conservation law of the form

 $\operatorname{div}_X(G(U(X)))=0.$

We consider the conservation law of the form

$$\operatorname{div}_X(G(U(X))) = 0. \tag{3}$$

Here $U: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{O}$ is an unknown and $G: \mathcal{O} \to \mathbb{M}^{n \times (d+1)}$ is a given, where \mathcal{X} is an open subset of \mathbb{R}^{d+1} or $\mathbb{T}^3 \times \mathbb{R}$ and the set \mathcal{O} is open in \mathbb{R}^n . It is easy to see that any classical solution to (3) satisfies also

$$\operatorname{div}_X(Q(U(X))) = 0, \tag{4}$$

where $Q:\mathcal{O}
ightarrow \mathbb{R}^{s imes (d+1)}$ is a smooth function such that

$$D_U Q_j(U) = \mathfrak{B}(U) D_U G_j(U), ext{ for all } U \in \mathcal{O}, ext{ } j \in 0, \cdots, k, ext{ } (5)$$

for some smooth function $\mathfrak{B} : \mathcal{O} \to \mathbb{M}^{s \times n}$. The function Q is called a *companion* of G and equation (4) is called a *companion law* of the conservation law (3).

In many applications some relevant companion laws are *conservation of energy* or *conservation of entropy*. We consider the standard definition of weak solutions to a conservation law.

Definition

We call the function U a weak solution to (3) if G(U) is locally integrable in \mathcal{X} and the equality

$$\int_{\mathcal{X}} G(U(X)) \colon D_X \psi(X) dX = 0$$

holds for all smooth test functions $\psi \colon \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}^n$ with a compact support in \mathcal{X} .

How much regularity of a weak solution is required so that it also satisfies the companion law?

Theorem (Gwiazda, Michálek, Ś-G., to appear in ARMA)

Let $U \in B^{\alpha}_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{X}; \mathcal{O})$ be a weak solution of (3) with $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$. Assume that $G \in C^2(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{n \times (k+1)})$ is endowed with a companion law with flux $Q \in C(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{1 \times (k+1)})$ for which there exists $\mathcal{B} \in C^1(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{1 \times n})$ related through identity (5) and all the following conditions hold

$$\mathcal{O} \text{ is convex},$$
$$\mathcal{B} \in W^{1,\infty}(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{1 \times n}),$$
$$|Q(V)| \leq C(1 + |V|^3) \text{ for all } V \in \mathcal{O},$$
$$\sup_{i,j \in 1,...,d} \|\partial_{U_i} \partial_{U_j} G(U)\|_{C(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{n \times (k+1)})} < +\infty.$$

Then U is a weak solution of the companion law (4) with the flux Q.

The essential part of the proof of this Theorem pertains the estimation of the nonlinear commutator

 $[G(U)]_{\varepsilon}-G([U]_{\varepsilon}).$

It is based on the following observation:

Lemma

Let $\mathcal O$ be a convex set, $U \in L^2_{loc}(\mathcal X, \mathcal O)$, $G \in C^2(\mathcal O; \mathbb R^n)$ and let

$$\sup_{i,j\in 1,...,d} \|\partial_{U_i}\partial_{U_j}G(U)\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathcal{O})} < +\infty.$$

Then there exists C > 0 depending only on η_1 , second derivatives of G and k (dimension of O) such that

$$\begin{split} \|[G(U)]_{\varepsilon} &- G([U]_{\varepsilon})\|_{L^{q}(K)} \\ &\leq C \Big(\|[U]_{\varepsilon} - U\|_{L^{2q}(K)}^{2} + \sup_{Y \in \text{supp } \eta_{\varepsilon}} \|U(\cdot) - U(\cdot - Y)\|_{L^{2q}(K)}^{2} \Big) \end{split}$$

for $q \in [1,\infty)$, where $K \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ satisfies $K^{\varepsilon} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$.

- Due to the assumption on the convexity of O the previous theorem could be straightforwardly deduced from the result for compressible Euler system (Feireisl, Gwiazda, Ś.-G., Wiedemann ARMA 2017).
- It is worth noting that the convexity of O might not be natural for all applications (this is e.g. the case of the polyconvex elasticity).

Let us consider the evolution equations of nonlinear elasticity

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t F &= \nabla_x \mathbf{v} \\ \partial_t \mathbf{v} &= \operatorname{div}_x \left(D_F W(F) \right) \end{aligned} \quad \text{in } \mathcal{X},$$

for an unknown matrix field $F: \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{M}^{k \times k}$, and an unknown vector field $\mathbf{v}: \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}^k$. Function $W: \mathcal{U} \to \mathbb{R}$ is given. For many applications, $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{M}^{k \times k}_+$ where $\mathbb{M}^{k \times k}_+$ denotes the subset of $\mathbb{M}^{k \times k}$ containing only matrices having positive determinant. Let us point out that $\mathbb{M}^{k \times k}_+$ is a non-convex connected set.

To this purpose, we study the case of non–convex \mathcal{O}

- Having \mathcal{O} non-convex, we face the problem that $[U]_{\varepsilon}$ does not have to belong to \mathcal{O} .
- The convexity was crucial to conduct the Taylor expansion argument in error estimates.
- However, a suitable extension of functions G, B and Q does not alter the previous proof significantly.

How much regularity of a weak solution is required so that it also satisfies the companion law?

Theorem

Let $U \in B_3^{\alpha,\infty}(\mathcal{X}; \mathcal{O})$ be a weak solution of (3) with $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$. Assume that $G \in C^2(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{n \times (d+1)})$ is endowed with a companion law with flux $Q \in C(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{s \times (d+1)})$ for which there exists $\mathfrak{B} \in C^1(\mathcal{O}; \mathbb{M}^{s \times n})$ related through identity (5) and the essential image of U is compact in \mathcal{O} . Then U is a weak solution of the companion law (4) with the flux Q.

- the generality of the above theorem is achieved at the expense of optimality of the assumptions.
- However given additional information on the structure of the problem at hand one might be able to relax some of these assumptions.
- the theorem provides for instance a conservation of energy result for the system of polyconvex elastodynamics, compressible hydrodynamics et al.
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Theorem

Let $u \in L^3([0, T], B_3^{\alpha,\infty}(\mathbb{T}^3)) \cap C([0, T], L^2(\mathbb{T}^3))$ be a weak solution of the incompressible Euler system. If $\alpha > \frac{1}{3}$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,t)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \frac{1}{2} |u(x,0)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}x$$

for each $t \in [0, T]$.

Additional structure of equations

The first lemma gives a sufficient condition to drop the Besov regularity with respect to some variables. It is connected with the columns of G.

Lemma

Let $G = (G_1, \ldots, G_s, G_{s+1}, \ldots, G_k)$ where G_1, \ldots, G_s are affine vector-valued functions and $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ where $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^s$ and $\mathcal{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{k+1-s}$. Then it is enough to assume that $U \in L^3(\mathcal{Y}; B^{\alpha}_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{Z}))$ in the main theorem.

We can omit the Besov regularity w.r.t. some components of U.

Lemma

Assume that $U = (V_1, V_2)$ where $V_1 = (U_1, ..., U_s)$ and $V_2 = (U_{s+1}, ..., U_n)$. If \mathcal{B} does not depend on V_1 and $G = G(V_1, V_2) = G_1(V_1) + G_2(V_2)$ and G_1 is linear then it is enough to assume $U_1, ..., U_s \in L^3(\mathcal{X})$ in the main theorem.

Opposite direction of the Onsager's hypothesis for hyperbolic systems

- It is well known that shock solutions dissipate energy.
- the essence can be already seen even on a simple example of the Burger's equation

$$u_t + (u^2/2)_x = 0$$

- Classical solutions also satisfy $(u^2/2)_t + (u^3/3)_x = 0$, which can be considered as a companion law.
- The shock solutions to the BE satisify Rankine-Hugoniot condition $s(u_l ur) = (u_l^2 u_r^2)/2$, thus the speed of the shock is $s = (u_l + u_r)/2$, where $u_l = \lim_{y \to x(t)^-} u(y, t)$ and u_r is defined correspondingly.
- Considering the second equation one gets $s = 2(u_l^2 + u_l u_r + u_r^2)/3(u_l + u_r).$
- If we multiply BE with the function \mathcal{B} then to provide RH conditions to be satisfied for the companion law, we end up with a trivial companion law, namely $\mathcal{B} \equiv const$.

Euler-Korteweg Equations

We now consider the isothermal Euler-Korteweg system in the form

$$\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0,$$

$$\partial_t(\rho u) + \operatorname{div}(\rho u \otimes u) = -\rho \nabla_x \left(h'(\rho) + \frac{\kappa'(\rho)}{2} |\nabla_x \rho|^2 - \operatorname{div}(\kappa(\rho) \nabla_x \rho) \right),$$

where $\rho \ge 0$ is the scalar density of a fluid, u is its velocity, $h = h(\rho)$ is the energy density and $\kappa(\rho) > 0$ is the coefficient of capillarity.

In conservative form

$$\partial_t(\rho u) + \operatorname{div}(\rho u \otimes u) = \operatorname{div} S,$$

 $\partial_t \rho + \operatorname{div}(\rho u) = 0,$

where S is the Korteweg stress tensor

$$S = [-\rho(\rho) - \frac{\rho \kappa'(\rho) + \kappa(\rho)}{2} |\nabla_{x}\rho|^{2} + \operatorname{div}(\kappa(\rho)\rho\nabla_{x}\rho)]\mathbb{I} - \kappa(\rho)\nabla_{x}\rho \otimes \nabla_{x}\rho$$

where the local pressure is defined as $p(\rho) = \rho h'(\rho) - h(\rho)$.

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It can be shown that smooth solutions to the EK system satisfy the balance of total (kinetic and internal) energy

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho |u|^2 + h(\rho) + \frac{\kappa(\rho)}{2} |\nabla_x \rho|^2 \right) \\ + \operatorname{div} \left(\rho u \left(\frac{1}{2} |u|^2 + h'(\rho) + \frac{\kappa'(\rho)}{2} |\nabla_x \rho|^2 - \operatorname{div}(\kappa(\rho) \nabla_x \rho) \right) \\ - \kappa(\rho) \partial_t \rho \nabla \rho \right) = 0.$$

Theorem (T.Debiec, P.Gwiazda, A.Ś-G., A.Tzavaras, arXiv:1801.00177)

Let (ρ, u) be a solution to the EK system with constant capillarity in the sense of distributions. Assume

 $u, \nabla_{x} u \in B_{3}^{\alpha,\infty}((0,T) \times \mathbb{T}^{d}), \quad \rho, \rho u, \nabla_{x} \rho, \Delta \rho \in B_{3}^{\beta,\infty}((0,T) \times \mathbb{T}^{d}),$

where $0 < \alpha, \beta < 1$ such that $\min(2\alpha + \beta, \alpha + 2\beta) > 1$. Then the energy is locally conserved, i.e.

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{1}{2}\rho|u|^2 + h(\rho) + \frac{\kappa}{2}|\nabla_x\rho|^2\right) \\ + \operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{2}\rho u|u|^2 + \rho^2 u - \kappa\rho u\Delta\rho - \kappa\partial_t\rho\nabla\rho\right) = 0$$

in the sense of distributions on $(0, T) \times \mathbb{T}^d$.

Thank you for your attention