

# Entropy solutions of degenerate parabolic equations

Marko Erceg

Department of Mathematics, Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb

Mathematical Colloquium

Osijek, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Joint work with M. Mišur and D. Mitrović

UIP-2017-05-7249 (MANDphy)

IP-2018-01-2449 (MiTPDE)



# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

- **LHS:** convection effects ( $f$  flux,  $f = f(u)$  homogeneous case);
- **RHS:** diffusion effects ( $A'$  diffusion matrix – direction and intensity of the diffusion).

## Motivation for the equation:

- flow in porous media (e.g.  $f = 0$  and  $A(u) = u^m \mathbf{I}$  – porous media equation)
  - heterogeneous layers  $\rightarrow$  discontinuous flux and a lack of diffusion in some directions
- sedimentation-consolidation process

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

## Aim:

- Existence (and uniqueness) of solution to the Cauchy problem;
- Existence of traces of solutions, i.e. give meaning to  $u(0, \cdot)$ .

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

## Aim:

- Existence (and uniqueness) of solution to the Cauchy problem;
- Existence of traces of solutions, i.e. give meaning to  $u(0, \cdot)$ .

## Why traces:

- Formulation, well-posedness, optimal control, etc., for initial-boundary problems.
- Characterising the limit of hyperbolic relaxation towards a scalar conservation law.

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

## Aim:

- Existence (and uniqueness) of solution to the Cauchy problem;
- Existence of traces of solutions, i.e. give meaning to  $u(0, \cdot)$ .

## Why traces:

- Formulation, well-posedness, optimal control, etc., for initial-boundary problems.
- Characterising the limit of hyperbolic relaxation towards a scalar conservation law.

## Challenges:

- discontinuous flux (and diffusion matrix);
- heterogeneous flux (and diffusion matrix);
- degeneracy of  $A'$ , i.e.  $A' \geq 0$ .

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

## Aim:

- Existence (and uniqueness) of solution to the Cauchy problem;
- Existence of traces of solutions, i.e. give meaning to  $u(0, \cdot)$ .

## Why traces:

- Formulation, well-posedness, optimal control, etc., for initial-boundary problems.
- Characterising the limit of hyperbolic relaxation towards a scalar conservation law.

## Challenges:

- discontinuous flux (and diffusion matrix);
- heterogeneous flux (and diffusion matrix);
- **degeneracy of  $A'$ , i.e.  $A' \geq 0$ .**

# Degenerate parabolic equation - introduction

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(t, \mathbf{x}, u(t, \mathbf{x})) &= D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \\ &= \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (A'(u(t, \mathbf{x})) \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u(t, \mathbf{x})),\end{aligned}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$  are given and  $u : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is unknown.

We start with:  $A = 0$



# First order quasilinear equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  (homogeneous) flux,  $u : \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown.

**Classical solutions** are **too strong** (we want allow discontinuities in  $\mathbf{x}$ )

# First order quasilinear equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  (homogeneous) flux,  $u : \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown.

**Classical solutions** are **too strong** (we want allow discontinuities in  $\mathbf{x}$ )

**Weak solutions:**  $u \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $f(u) \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}; \mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} u \varphi_t + f(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

# First order quasilinear equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  (homogeneous) flux,  $u : \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown.

**Classical solutions** are **too strong** (we want allow discontinuities in  $\mathbf{x}$ )

**Weak solutions:**  $u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $f(u) \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}; \mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} u \varphi_t + f(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

Even for smooth  $f$ 's **non-uniqueness**:

$$d = 1, f(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \text{ (Burgers equation)}, u_0(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}.$$

Both functions are a weak solution:

$$u_1(t, x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < t/2 \\ 1, & x \geq t/2 \end{cases}, \quad u_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ x/t, & 0 \leq x < t \\ 1, & x \geq t \end{cases} \text{ (rarefaction wave)}$$

# First order quasilinear equations

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases}$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  (homogeneous) flux,  $u : \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown.

**Classical solutions** are **too strong** (we want allow discontinuities in  $\mathbf{x}$ )

**Weak solutions:**  $u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $f(u) \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}; \mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} u \varphi_t + f(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} = 0.$$

For the **uniqueness** we need to impose **some conditions** on discontinuities.

# Vanishing Viscosity 1/2

Consider only those weak solutions that can be reached as a limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  of the sequence of solutions  $(u^\varepsilon)$ :

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u^\varepsilon + \operatorname{div}_x \mathbf{f}(u^\varepsilon) = \varepsilon \Delta u^\varepsilon & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u^\varepsilon|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

For  $\eta \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$  convex (i.e.  $\eta'' \geq 0$ ) and  $\varphi \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ , we multiply the equation by  $-\eta'(u^\varepsilon)\varphi$  and integrate over  $\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}$ :

$$-\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} \partial_t u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi + \mathbf{f}'(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, dx dt = -\varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} \Delta u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, dx dt$$

# Vanishing Viscosity 2/2

Using

$$\partial_t u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) = \partial_t (\eta(u^\varepsilon)) \quad \text{and} \quad f'(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) = \operatorname{div}(f^\eta(u^\varepsilon)),$$

where  $f^\eta(\lambda) = \int_0^\lambda f'(s) \eta'(s) ds$ , for the left hand side we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \partial_t u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi + f'(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta(u^\varepsilon) \partial_t \varphi + f^\eta(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta(u_0) \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

The right hand side satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} -\varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \Delta u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt & = \varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \nabla u^\varepsilon \cdot \nabla \varphi + \underbrace{|\nabla u^\varepsilon|^2 \eta''(u^\varepsilon)}_{\geq 0} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \\ & \geq -\varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta(u^\varepsilon) \Delta \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \end{aligned}$$

# Vanishing Viscosity 2/2

Using

$$\partial_t u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) = \partial_t (\eta(u^\varepsilon)) \quad \text{and} \quad f'(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) = \operatorname{div}(f^\eta(u^\varepsilon)),$$

where  $f^\eta(\lambda) = \int_0^\lambda f'(s) \eta'(s) ds$ , for the left hand side we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \partial_t u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi + f'(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta(u^\varepsilon) \partial_t \varphi + f^\eta(u^\varepsilon) \cdot \nabla \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta(u_0) \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x}. \end{aligned}$$

The right hand side satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} -\varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \Delta u^\varepsilon \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt &= \varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta'(u^\varepsilon) \nabla u^\varepsilon \cdot \nabla \varphi + \underbrace{|\nabla u^\varepsilon|^2 \eta''(u^\varepsilon)}_{\geq 0} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \\ &\geq -\varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{1+d}} \eta(u^\varepsilon) \Delta \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Entropy solutions

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

**Entropy solutions:**  $u$  a weak solution and s.t.  $\forall \eta \in C(\mathbb{R})$  convex and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} \eta(u) \varphi_t + f^\eta(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta(u_0) \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0,$$

here  $f^\eta(\lambda) = \int_0^\lambda f' \eta' \, ds$  is an entropy-flux.

- $\eta$  is called (mathematical) **entropy** ( $-\eta$  corresponds to physical entropy)
- The above inequality is due to the fact that the physical entropy has a tendency to increase in time, i.e. the mathematical entropy decreases in time



$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

**Entropy solutions:** (Kruřkov)  $u \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} |u - \lambda| \varphi_t + \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u_0 - \lambda| \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

**Entropy solutions:** (Kružkov)  $u \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} |u - \lambda| \varphi_t + \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u_0 - \lambda| \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$

$$\lambda = \|u\|_{L^\infty} \implies - \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} u \varphi_t + f(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0$$

$$\lambda = -\|u\|_{L^\infty} \implies \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} u \varphi_t + f(u) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0$$

# Entropy solutions

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

**Entropy solutions:** (Kruřkov)  $u \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  s.t.  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} |u - \lambda| \varphi_t + \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u_0 - \lambda| \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$

Kruřkov (1970): **existence** and **uniqueness** of entropy solutions for **smooth** heterogeneous fluxes  $f$ .

- **Existence:** vanishing viscosity method; **Uniqueness:** method of doubling variables (used for developing numerical schemes as well)

Panov (2010): **existence** of entropy solutions for **non-smooth** heterogeneous fluxes under **non-degeneracy assumptions**

- $u_n$  solution for the regularised flux  $f_n$ , and apply a compactness result

## Strong traces ( $A = 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ :

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} |u - \lambda| \varphi_t + \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u_0 - \lambda| \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$

# Strong traces ( $A = 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\forall \varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{1+d})$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$ :

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}} |u - \lambda| \varphi_t + \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda)(f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \varphi \, d\mathbf{x} dt + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |u_0 - \lambda| \varphi(0, \cdot) \, d\mathbf{x} \geq 0.$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a.e. } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}) \quad & \partial_t |u - \lambda| + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda)(f(u) - f(\lambda)) \right) \leq 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}), \\ & \operatorname{ess} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0 \quad \text{in } L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{aligned}$$

# Strong traces ( $A = 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

(a.e.  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ )  $\partial_t |u - \lambda| + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda)(f(u) - f(\lambda)) \right) \leq 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$ ,  
 $\operatorname{ess\,lim}_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0$  in  $L^1_{\operatorname{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . strong trace

# Strong traces ( $A = 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{a.e. } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}) \quad & \partial_t |u - \lambda| + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \right) \leq 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}), \\ & \operatorname{ess\,lim}_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0 \quad \text{in } L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d). \quad \text{strong trace} \end{aligned}$$

Vasseur (2001): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions for **smooth** fluxes  $f$  and with a **non-degeneracy** condition

Panov (2005, 2007): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions (without non-degeneracy conditions)

Neves, Panov, Silva (2018): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions for **heterogeneous** fluxes  $f$  and with a **non-degeneracy** condition

# Strong traces ( $A = 0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{a.e. } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}) \quad & \partial_t |u - \lambda| + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \right) \leq 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}), \\ & \operatorname{ess\,lim}_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0 \quad \text{in } L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d). \quad \text{strong trace} \end{aligned}$$

Vasseur (2001): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions for **smooth** fluxes  $f$  and with a **non-degeneracy** condition

Panov (2005, 2007): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions (without non-degeneracy conditions)

Neves, Panov, Silva (2018): **existence** of strong traces for entropy solutions for **heterogeneous** fluxes  $f$  and with a **non-degeneracy** condition

The result does not hold for weak solutions!



# Strong traces ( $A = 0$ ) – comments

$$\partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} := \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d$$

## Idea of the proof:

$u$  admits the strong trace  $\iff$

$$u_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := u\left(\frac{t}{m}, \frac{\mathbf{x}}{m} + \mathbf{y}\right) \text{ is precompact in } L_{loc}^1(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \times \mathbb{R}^d).$$

## Some applications:

- The strong boundary condition in the sense of Bardos, LeRoux, Nédélec for rough initial  $u_0$  and boundary  $u_b$  data: ( $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$(\operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) + \operatorname{sgn}(\lambda - u_b))(f(u) - f(\lambda)) \cdot \vec{\nu} \geq 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial\Omega.$$

- Bürger, Frid, Karlsen (2007): The well-posedness of the initial-boundary problem with zero-flux boundary condition.
- Pfaff, Ulbrich (2015): The optimal control of initial-boundary value problems.

# Degenerate parabolic equation ( $A' \geq 0$ )

$$(DP) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases} \quad \left( \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}}(A'(u)\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}u) \right)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}$ , and  $u : \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown.

# Definition of solutions (kinetic formulation)

$$(DP) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

## Definition

$u \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$  is called a **quasi-solution** to  $(DP_1)$  if for a.e.  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t |u - \lambda| + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (f(u) - f(\lambda)) \right) \\ - D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot [\operatorname{sgn}(u - \lambda) (A(u) - A(\lambda))] = -\gamma(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda), \end{aligned}$$

holds in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1})$ , where  $\gamma \in C(\mathbb{R}_\lambda; \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}))$ .

Vol'pert, Hudjaev (1969)

For  $A = 0$  and  $\gamma \geq 0$  coincides with the previous definition of entropy solutions.

# Definition of solutions (kinetic formulation)

$$(DP) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

## Theorem

If function  $u$  is a bounded quasi-solution to  $(DP_1)$ , then the function

$$h(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) := \operatorname{sgn}(u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \lambda) = -\partial_\lambda |u(t, \mathbf{x}) - \lambda|$$

is a weak solution to the following linear equation:

$$\partial_t h + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{f}' h) - D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot [A'(\lambda)h] = \partial_\lambda \gamma(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda).$$

Lions, Perthame, Tadmor (1994)

# Existence of entropy solutions to (DP)

$$(DP) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

- smooth fluxes
  - Carrillo (1999):  $L^\infty$  solutions
  - Chen, Perthame (2003):  $L^1$  solutions
  - Tadmor, Tao (2007): improved regularity under a **non-degeneracy** condition
  - Graf, Kunzinger, Mitrović (2017): on Riemannian manifolds
- non-smooth fluxes (under a **non-degeneracy** condition)
  - Sazhenkov (2006), Panov (2009): heterogeneous ultra-parabolic equations, i.e.  $A(\lambda)$  satisfies an ellipticity assumption on a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  uniformly in  $\lambda$
  - Lazar, Mitrović (2012): the result for heterogeneous ultra-parabolic equations using a velocity averaging approach
  - Holden, Karlsen, Mitrović, Panov (2009): general but homogeneous  $A$  (in E., Mišur, Mitrović (submitted) a similar result via velocity averaging approach)

# Existence of entropy solutions to (DP)

$$(DP) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}, \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d). \end{cases}$$

- smooth fluxes
  - Carrillo (1999):  $L^\infty$  solutions
  - Chen, Perthame (2003):  $L^1$  solutions
  - Tadmor, Tao (2007): improved regularity under a **non-degeneracy** condition
  - Graf, Kunzinger, Mitrović (2017): on Riemannian manifolds
- non-smooth fluxes (under a **non-degeneracy** condition)
  - Sazhenkov (2006), Panov (2009): heterogeneous ultra-parabolic equations, i.e.  $A(\lambda)$  satisfies an ellipticity assumption on a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  uniformly in  $\lambda$
  - Lazar, Mitrović (2012): the result for heterogeneous ultra-parabolic equations using a velocity averaging approach
  - Holden, Karlsen, Mitrović, Panov (2009): general but homogeneous  $A$  (in E., Mišur, Mitrović (submitted) a similar result via velocity averaging approach)

- 1 Regularisation of the flux
- 2 Kinetic fomulation
- 3 Localisation principle and non-degeneracy condition
- 4 Adaptive H-measures

## 1 Regularisation of the flux

Replace  $f$  by  $f_n$ , which defines sequence of solutions  $(u_n)$ .  
It is sufficient to get the strong convergence of  $(u_n)$ .

## 2 Kinetic fomulation

## 3 Localisation principle and non-degeneracy condition

## 4 Adaptive H-measures



# Velocity averaging

- 1 Regularisation of the flux
- 2 Kinetic fomulation

$$h_n(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) := \text{sgn}(u_n(t, \mathbf{x}) - \lambda).$$

$$\partial_t h_n + \text{div}_{\mathbf{x}} (f'_n h_n) - D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot [A'(\lambda) h_n] = \partial_\lambda \gamma_n(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda).$$

$$2u_n(t, \mathbf{x}) - \alpha - \beta = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} h_n(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) d\lambda$$

- 3 Localisation principle and non-degeneracy condition
- 4 Adaptive H-measures

# Velocity averaging

- 1 Regularisation of the flux
- 2 Kinetic fomulation
- 3 Localisation principle and non-degeneracy condition

On the limit we get ( $\mu$  is a suitable variant of microlocal defect object):

$$\begin{aligned} (\forall \phi) \langle \mu, F\phi \rangle = 0 \quad \overset{F \text{ non-degenerate}}{\implies} \quad \mu \equiv 0 \\ \implies \text{strong convergence of } \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} h_n(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Non-degenerate condition:

$$\operatorname{ess\,sup}_{(t, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^d} \sup_{|\xi|=1} \operatorname{meas} \left\{ \lambda \in K : \tau + \langle f'(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) | \xi \rangle = \langle A'(\lambda) \xi | \xi \rangle = 0 \right\} = 0$$

- 4 Adaptive H-measures

# Velocity averaging

- 1 Regularisation of the flux
- 2 Kinetic fomulation
- 3 Localisation principle and non-degeneracy condition
- 4 Adaptive H-measures

$$\mu(\varphi\psi) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^{d+1}} \varphi(t, \mathbf{x}) h_n(t, \mathbf{x}, \lambda) \overline{\mathcal{A}_{\bar{\psi}(\pi_P(\cdot, \cdot, \lambda), \lambda)}(v_n)}(\mathbf{x}) dt d\mathbf{x} d\lambda,$$

where

$$\pi_P(\tau, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \lambda) := \frac{(\tau, \boldsymbol{\xi})}{|(\tau, \boldsymbol{\xi})| + \langle A'(\lambda)\boldsymbol{\xi} | \boldsymbol{\xi} \rangle}$$

# Existence of strong traces for $(DP_1)$

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}.$$

$$\operatorname{ess\,lim}_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0 \quad \text{in } L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \quad ???$$

Kwon (2009): **scalar** diffusion matrices  $A(u) = a(u)I$  without non-degeneracy conditions

Aleksić, Mitrović (2013): **traceable** fluxes  $\mathbf{f}$  and **ultra-parabolic**  $A$  (i.e.  $A = B \oplus 0$  where  $B > 0$ ) without non-degeneracy conditions

“Fully degenerate” matrices  $A'$  not covered, e.g.

$$A'(\lambda) = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 1}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda^2 + 1 \end{bmatrix} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 + 1}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\lambda \\ -\lambda & \lambda^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Existence of strong traces for $(DP_1)$

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}.$$

$$\operatorname{ess\,lim}_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(t, \cdot) = u_0 \quad \text{in } L_{loc}^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \quad ???$$

## Theorem (E., Mitrović)

Let  $\mathbf{f} \in C^1(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}^d)$  and let  $A \in C^{1,1}(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R}^{d \times d})$  be such that for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $A'(\lambda)$  is symmetric and positive semi-definite.

Then any quasi-solution  $u \in L_{loc}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^+; L_{loc}^p(\mathbb{R}^d))$ , for some  $p > 1$ , to  $(DP_1)$  admits the strong trace at  $t = 0$ .

# Proof – an important point

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1} .$$

Which scaling to choose with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  in

$$u_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = u\left(\frac{t}{m}, \frac{\mathbf{x}}{m} + \mathbf{y}\right) ?$$

# Proof – an important point

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}.$$

$$\text{If } A'(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } \tilde{a}(\lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k} \text{ } (k \in \{1, \dots, d\}), \text{ and}$$

$$\tilde{a}(\lambda) > 0$$

we use

$$u_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = u\left(\frac{t}{m}, \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}{\sqrt{m}} + \tilde{\mathbf{y}}, \frac{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}{m} + \bar{\mathbf{y}}\right)$$

where  $\mathbf{x} = (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{R}^{d-k}$  and apply a compactness result from Holden et al (2009).

# Proof – an important point

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{f}(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}.$$

$$\text{If } A'(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } \tilde{a}(\lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k} \text{ } (k \in \{1, \dots, d\}), \text{ and}$$

$$(*) \quad (\forall \tilde{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^k \setminus \{0\})(\forall (\alpha', \beta') \subseteq \mathbb{R}) \\ (\alpha', \beta') \ni \lambda \mapsto \langle \tilde{a}(\lambda) \tilde{\xi} \mid \tilde{\xi} \rangle \text{ is not identically equal to zero.}$$

we use

$$u_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = u\left(\frac{t}{m}, \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}{\sqrt{m}} + \tilde{\mathbf{y}}, \frac{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}{m} + \bar{\mathbf{y}}\right)$$

where  $\mathbf{x} = (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{R}^{d-k}$  and apply a compactness result from Holden et al (2009).



# Proof – an important point

$$(DP_1) \quad \partial_t u + \operatorname{div}_{\mathbf{x}} f(u) = D_{\mathbf{x}}^2 \cdot A(u) \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^{d+1}.$$

$$\text{If } A'(\lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{a}(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ for } \tilde{a}(\lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k} \text{ } (k \in \{1, \dots, d\}), \text{ and}$$

$$(*) \quad (\forall \tilde{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^k \setminus \{0\})(\forall (\alpha', \beta') \subseteq \mathbb{R}) \\ (\alpha', \beta') \ni \lambda \mapsto \langle \tilde{a}(\lambda) \tilde{\xi} \mid \tilde{\xi} \rangle \text{ is not identically equal to zero.}$$

we use

$$u_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = u\left(\frac{t}{m}, \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}{\sqrt{m}} + \tilde{\mathbf{y}}, \frac{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}{m} + \bar{\mathbf{y}}\right)$$

where  $\mathbf{x} = (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{R}^{d-k}$  and apply a compactness result from Holden et al (2009).

If  $(*)$  is not satisfied, we can reduce locally  $a$  on some  $(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  to that form, and then apply above for  $s_{\alpha, \beta}(u) := \max\{\alpha, \min\{u, \beta\}\}$  instead of  $u$ .

And...

...thank you for your attention :)

- **Traces:** E., Mitrović, accepted for publication in SIAM J. Math. Anal, 22 pp.
- **Velocity averaging:** E., Mišur, Mitrović, arXiv:2008.08310, submitted, 38 pp.

And...

...thank you for your attention :)



- **Traces:** E., Mitrović, accepted for publication in SIAM J. Math. Anal, 22 pp.
- **Velocity averaging:** E., Mišur, Mitrović, arXiv:2008.08310, submitted, 38 pp.