

Well-balancedness, Hamiltonian preserving, and beyond

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Outline

- Hyperbolic systems with singular coefficients
- Well-balancedness in shallow-water equations
- Hamiltonian preservation in singular Hamiltonian system
- High frequency waves through interfaces/barriers
- Quantum-classical coupling

Hyperbolic systems with singular coefficients

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x (c(x)u) = 0, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}, \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}, \end{cases}$$

with a piecewise constant coefficient

$$(2.2) \quad c(x) = \begin{cases} c^- > 0, & x < 0, \\ c^+ > 0, & x > 0. \end{cases}$$

- Applications: wave propagation through interfaces

Renormalized solutions

- Discontinuous coefficients: DiPerna-Lions, Ambrosio, Perthame, Bouchut, James, Hauray, Jabin, ...

Interface condition

- We take a different route— since these problems arise in wave propagation through interface, one physical condition—the interface condition— should be added to determine a unique solution

$$u(0^+, t) = \rho u(0^-, t)$$

$$\rho = 1$$

conservation of mass u

$$\rho = c^-/c^+$$

conservation of flux cu

Then the initial value problem is well-posed
(method of characteristics)

The (generalized) method of characteristics

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = c(x), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

- For $x_1 < 0$

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} x_0 + c_- t & \text{for } t \leq t_c = -x_0/c_- \\ x_1 + c_+ t & \text{for } t > t_c \end{cases}$$

- x_1 cannot be determined unless one provides an interface condition at $x=0$
- If x is continuous then $x_1=0$, corresponds to $\rho=1$;
- How to define solution when $\rho \neq 1$?

Numerical discretization

- Immersed interface method

(Peskin, Mayo, LeVeque-Li, LeVeque-Zhang)

$$\partial_t U_j + \frac{1}{\Delta x} \left(c_{j+1/2}^- U_{j+1/2}^- - c_{j-1/2}^+ U_{j-1/2}^+ \right)$$

$$U_{j+1/2}^- = U_j, \quad U_{j+1/2}^+ = \rho_{j+1/2} U_{j+1/2}^-$$

$$\rho_{j+1/2} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j \neq 0 \\ \rho, & \text{if } j = 0 \end{cases}$$

If $\rho=1$ (no interface), this is just the upwind scheme
convergence and l^1 error estimate: Jin-Wen, Jin-Qi

Shallow-water equations

- h- height; v: mean velocity, g: gravitational constant, B(x): bottom topography (**can be discontinuous!**)

$$\partial_t h + \partial_x(hv) = 0,$$

$$\partial_t(hv) + \partial_x \left(hv^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right) = -gh\partial_x B$$

Steady-state

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_x(hv) &= 0, \\ \partial_x \left(hv^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 \right) &= -gh\partial_x B\end{aligned}$$

- When $B(x)$ is continuous, $B'(x)$ is measure-valued, this system of ODEs has measure-valued right hand side. A condition needs to be provided to select the unique solution (DiPerna-Lions theory for discontinuous or BV RHS does not apply here):

- $hv = C_1,$ Conservation of momentum
- $E(h, u, B) = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + gh + gB = C_2$ Conservation of energy

Well-balanced schemes

- Constructing numerical schemes to preserve these conservations:

Roe, Bermudez-Vasquez, Greenberg-LeRoux, Gosse, LeVeque, Botchorishvili-Perthame-Vasseur, Perthame-Simeoni, Jin, Bouchut, Wen-Jin, Levy-Kurganov, Russo, Shu, Noelle, Karni, Pares...

Presevation is either exact or at least second-order accuracy

The Perthame-Simeoni approach

- kinetic formulation of shallow-water equations

$$(3.7) \quad \partial_t M + \xi \partial_x M - g \partial_x B \partial_\xi M = Q(t, x, \xi)$$

where

$$(3.8) \quad M(t, x, \xi) = M(h, \xi - u) = \sqrt{h(t, x)} \chi \left(\frac{\xi - u(t, x)}{\sqrt{h(t, x)}} \right),$$

$$(3.9) \quad \chi(\omega) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi \sqrt{g}} \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{2g} \right)_+^{1/2},$$

for some collision term $Q(t, x, \xi)$ which satisfies, for almost every (t, x) ,

$$(3.10) \quad \int_R Q d\xi = 0, \quad \int_R \xi Q d\xi = 0.$$

Furthermore, the χ chosen in (3.9) is the only function such that M defined in (3.8) satisfies the steady state equation

$$(3.11) \quad \xi \partial_x M - g \partial_x B \partial_\xi M = 0$$

on all steady state given by a *lake at rest*:

$$(3.12) \quad u(t, x) = 0, \quad h(t, x) + B(x) = H, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Moments:

The macroscopic quantities in the shallow water equations can be recovered from the kinetic variable M by taking the first three moments, defined by

$$(3.13) \quad h = \int_R M(h, \xi - u) d\xi ,$$

$$(3.14) \quad hu = \int_R \xi M(h, \xi - u) d\xi ,$$

$$(3.15) \quad hu^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 = \int_R \xi^2 M(h, \xi - u) d\xi .$$

By multiplying the kinetic equation (3.7) with $(1, \xi)$ one obtains the shallow-water equations (2.1).

The numerical approximation

- Building in particle transmission/reflection:

$$\partial_t f_i(\xi) + \frac{1}{\Lambda \sigma} \xi \left(M_{i+1/2}^- - M_{i-1/2}^+(\xi) \right) = 0,$$

$$(3.17) \quad M_{i+1/2}^-(\xi) = M_i(\xi) \mathbf{I}_{\xi \geq 0} + M_{i+1/2}(\xi) \mathbf{I}_{\xi \leq 0}$$

$$(3.18) \quad M_{i-1/2}^+(\xi) = M_{i-1/2}(\xi) \mathbf{I}_{\xi \geq 0} + M_i(\xi) \mathbf{I}_{\xi \leq 0}$$

where \mathbf{I}_A is the characteristic function with support at set A , and

$$(3.19) \quad M_{i+1/2}(\xi) = M_i(-\xi) \mathbf{I}_{|\xi|^2 \leq 2g\Delta B_{i+1/2}}$$

$$(3.20) \quad + M_{i+1} \left(-\sqrt{|\xi|^2 - 2g\Delta B_{i+1/2}} \right) \mathbf{I}_{|\xi|^2 \geq 2g\Delta B_{i+1/2}},$$

$$(3.21) \quad M_{i-1/2}(\xi) = M_i(-\xi) \mathbf{I}_{|\xi|^2 \leq 2g\Delta B_{i+1/2}}$$

$$(3.22) \quad + M_{i-1} \left(-\sqrt{|\xi|^2 - 2g\Delta B_{i-1/2}} \right) \mathbf{I}_{|\xi|^2 \geq 2g\Delta B_{i-1/2}},$$

with $\Delta B_{i+1/2} = B_{i+1/2}^+ - B_{i+1/2}^-$. An important feature of this scheme is that *it builds the microscopic physical of particle collisions with barriers (either transmission and reflection) into the numerical flux.*

- One take the moments of these schemes to get a WB scheme for shallow-water equations

Figure illustration

- Classical particle transmission and reflection

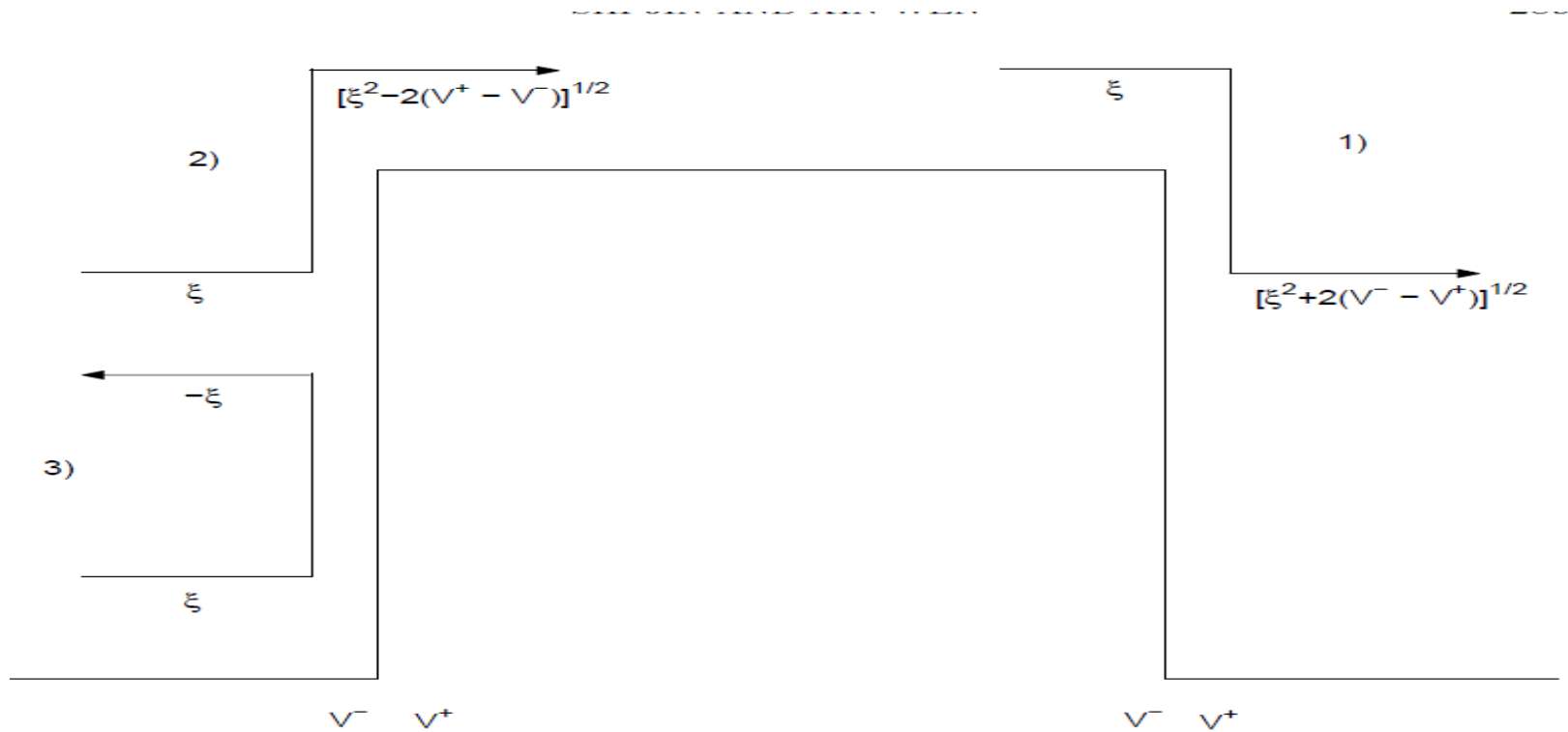


FIG. 2.1. Change of particle momentum across a potential barrier for the case when $\xi^- > 0$.

Hamiltonian system in Classical Mechanics

- a Hamiltonian system:

$$\begin{aligned}d\mathbf{x}/dt &= \nabla_{\xi} H \\d\xi/dt &= -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H\end{aligned}$$

$H=H(\mathbf{x}, \xi)$ is the **Hamiltonian**

Classical mechanics: $H=1/2 |\xi|^2+V(\mathbf{x})$ (\Rightarrow Newton's second law)

Geometrical optics: $H = c(\mathbf{x}) |\xi|$

computational method based on solving the Hamiltonian system is referred to as the particle method, or a Lagrangian method

- Phase space representation:

$$f_t + \nabla_{\xi} H \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H \cdot \nabla_{\xi} f = 0$$

$f(t, \mathbf{x}, \xi)$ is the density distribution of a classical particle at position \mathbf{x} , time t , with momentum ξ

The Liouville equation can be solved by **method of characteristics** if H is smooth

Discontinuous Hamiltonians

- $H = \frac{1}{2}|\xi|^2 + V(x)$: $V(x)$ is **discontinuous**- potential barrier,
- $H = c(x)|\xi|$: $c(x)$ is **discontinuous**-different index of refraction
- quantum tunneling effect, semiconductor device modeling, plasmas, geometric optics, wave propagation through interfaces between different materials or media, etc.

Analytic issues

$$f_t + \nabla_{\xi} H \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H \cdot \nabla_{\xi} f = 0$$

- The PDE does not make sense for discontinuous H .
What is a weak solution?

$$d\mathbf{x}/dt = \nabla_{\xi} H$$

$$d\xi/dt = -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H$$

- How to define a solution of systems of ODEs when the RHS is discontinuous or/and measure-valued? (DiPerna-Lions renormalized solution does not apply here)

Numerical issues

- for $H=1/2|\xi|^2+V(x)$

$$\Delta t \left[\frac{\max_j |\xi_j|}{\Delta x} + \frac{\max_i |DV_i|}{\Delta \xi} \right] \leq 1.$$

- since $V'(x) = \infty$ at a discontinuity of V , one can smooth out V then $Dv_i = O(1/\Delta x)$, thus

$$\Delta t = O(\Delta x \Delta \xi)$$

poor resolution (for complete transmission)

wrong solution (for partial transmission)

Mathematical and Numerical Approaches

- Liouville equation is the semiclassical limit of the (quantum) Schrodinger equation

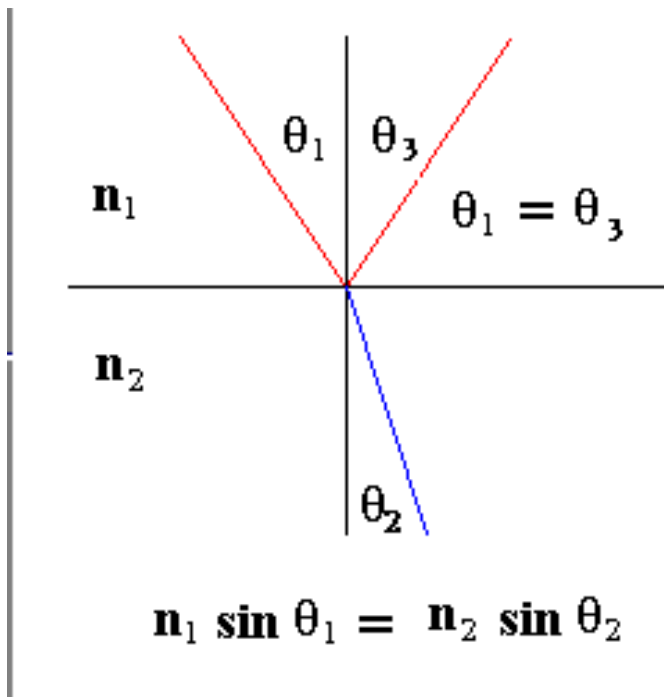
Lions-Paul, Gerard-Markowich-Mauser-Poupaud

- High frequency limit needs to take into consideration of wave transmissions and reflections

L. Miller, Bal-Keller-Papanicolaou-Ryzhik

Snell-Descartes Law of refraction

- When a plane wave hits the interface, the angles of incident and transmitted waves satisfy ($n=c_0/c$)



An interface condition

an **interface condition** for f should be used to connect
(the good) Liouville equations on both sides of the interface.

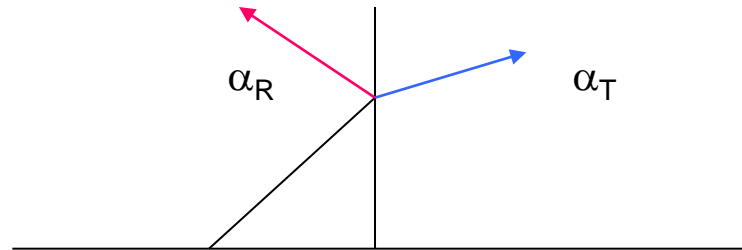
$$f(x^+, \xi^+) = \alpha_T f(x^-, \xi^-) + \alpha_R f(x^+, -\xi^+) \quad \text{for } \xi^+ > 0$$
$$H(x^+, \xi^+) = H(x^-, \xi^-)$$

α_R : reflection rate α_T : transmission rate

$$\alpha_R + \alpha_T = 1$$

- α_T, α_R defined from the original “microscopic” problems
- This gives a mathematically **well-posed** problem that is **physically relevant**
- We can show the interface condition is **equivalent to Snell’s law** in geometrical optics

Solution to Hamiltonian System with discontinuous Hamiltonians



- Particles cross over or be reflected by the corresponding transmission or reflection coefficients (probability)
- Based on this definition we have also developed **particle methods** (both deterministic and Monte Carlo) methods

Numerical discretization

- One can use the Perthame-Semioni method to discretize this equation: interface condition can be built into the numerical flux
- Stability is a hyperbolic CFL condition

$$\Delta t \left[\frac{\max_j |\xi_j|}{\Delta x} + \frac{\max_i \left| \frac{V_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^- - V_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^+}{\Delta x} \right|}{\Delta \xi} \right] \leq 1.$$

- Note the discrete derivative of V is defined only on **continuous** points of V , thus

$$\Delta t = O(\Delta x, \Delta \xi)$$

Positivity, stability, l^1 -convergence

- for first order scheme (forward Euler in time + upwind in space), under the “good” CFL condition

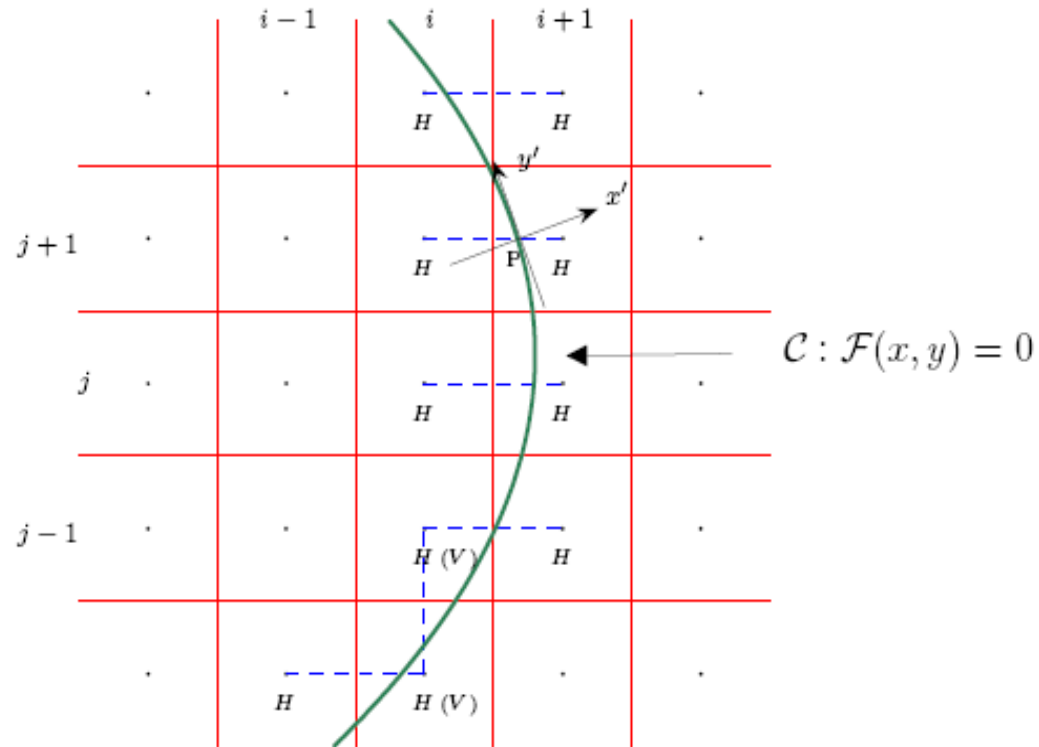
if $f^n > 0$, then $f^{n+1} > 0$;

$$\|f^{n+1}\|_{l^\infty(x, \xi)} \leq \|f^n\|_{l^\infty(x, \xi)}$$

$$\|f^n\|_1 \leq C \|f^0\|_1 \quad (\text{except for measure-valued initial data})$$

l^1 -convergence

Curved interface



Geometrical optics

- The same idea has also been extended to geometric optics

$$H = c(x) |\xi|$$

with **partial** transmission and reflection

We build in Snell's Law into the flux

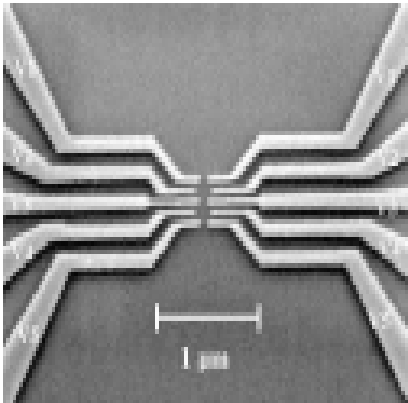
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Quantum barrier: a multiscale approach (with *K. Novak*, MMS, JCP)

We want to study quantum scale phenomena using a largely classical scale model.



- Nanotechnology
- Electron transport in semiconductors
- Tunneling diodes
- Quantum dot structures
- Quantum computing

A quantum-classical coupling approach for thin barriers

- Barrier width in the order of De Broglie length, separated by order one distance
- Solve a time-independent Schrodinger equation for the local barrier/well to determine the scattering data
- Solve the classical liouville equation elsewhere, using the scattering data at the interface

A step potential ($V(x)=1/2 H(x)$)

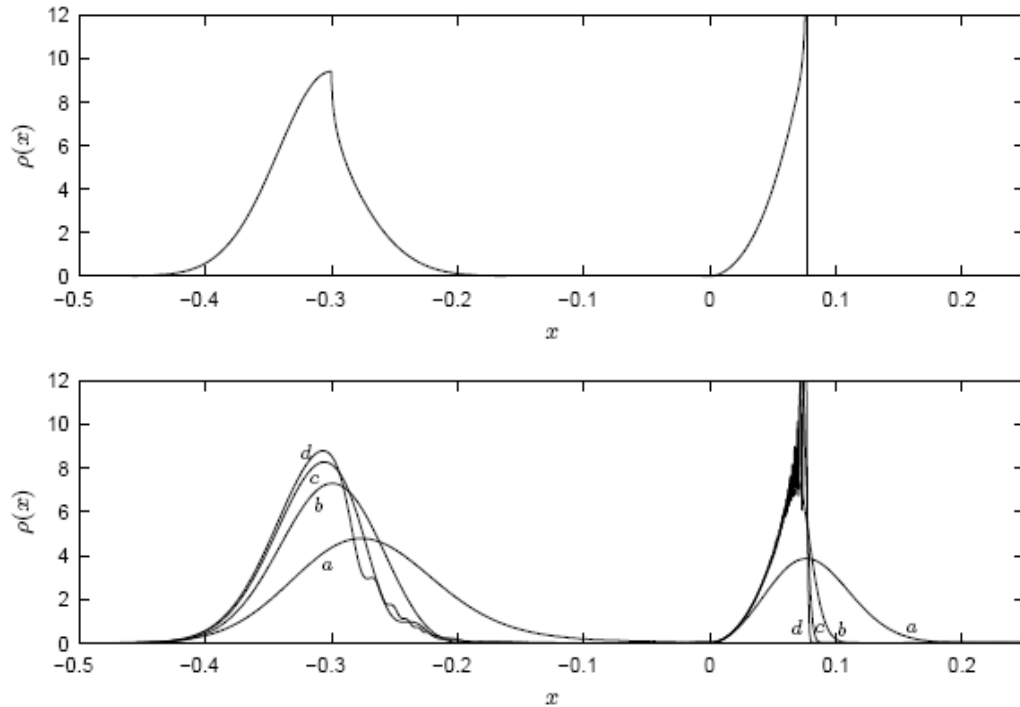


FIG. 5.1. Position densities for the semiclassical Liouville (top) and Schrödinger (bottom) solutions of Example 5.1. The Schrödinger solution shows $\epsilon = (a) 200^{-1}$, $(b) 800^{-1}$, $(c) 3200^{-1}$ and $(d) 12800^{-1}$. The position density of Liouville solution exhibits a caustic near $x = 0.08$ and the peak is unbounded. For the Schrödinger solution the peak reaches a height of 19 for the $\epsilon = 12800^{-1}$. The plots are truncated for clarity.

Resonant tunnelling

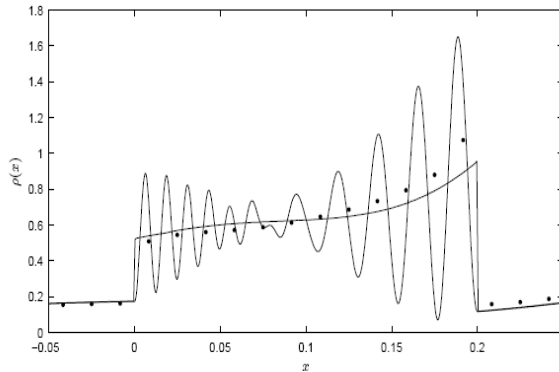
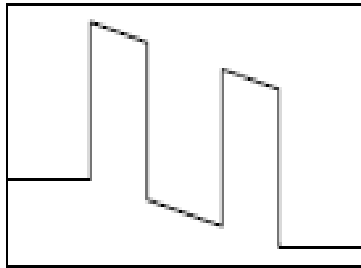


FIG. 5.4. Detail of Fig. 5.3 showing position densities for the numerical semiclassical Liouville and von Neumann solutions. The \bullet shows the numerical solution for with 150 grid points over the domain $[-1.25, 1.25]$. The solid line shows the "exact" Liouville solution and the von Neumann solution using $\varepsilon = 0.002$.

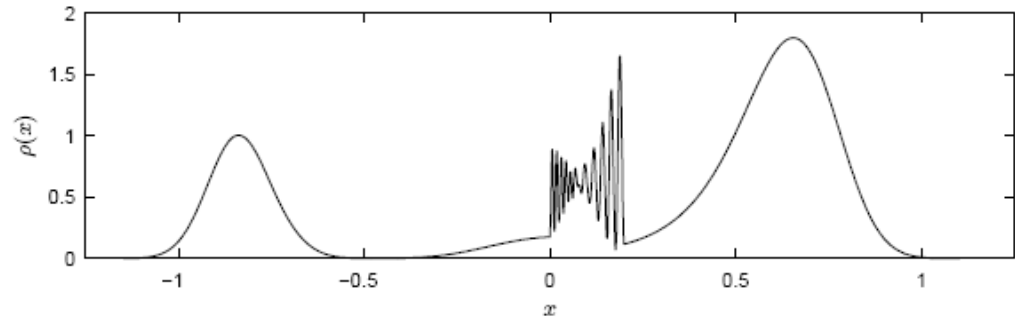
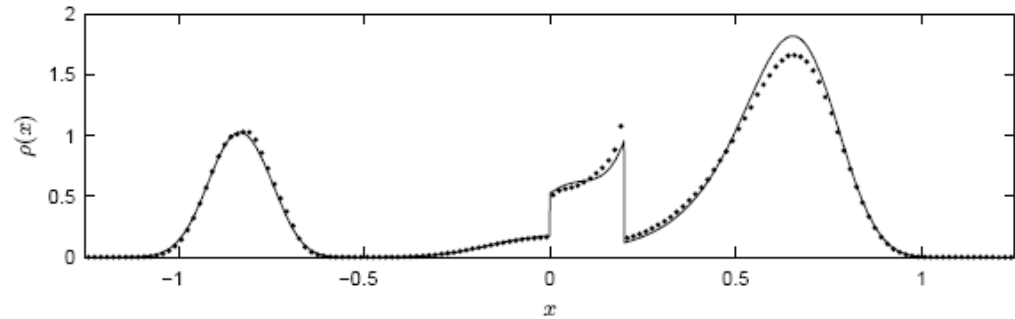
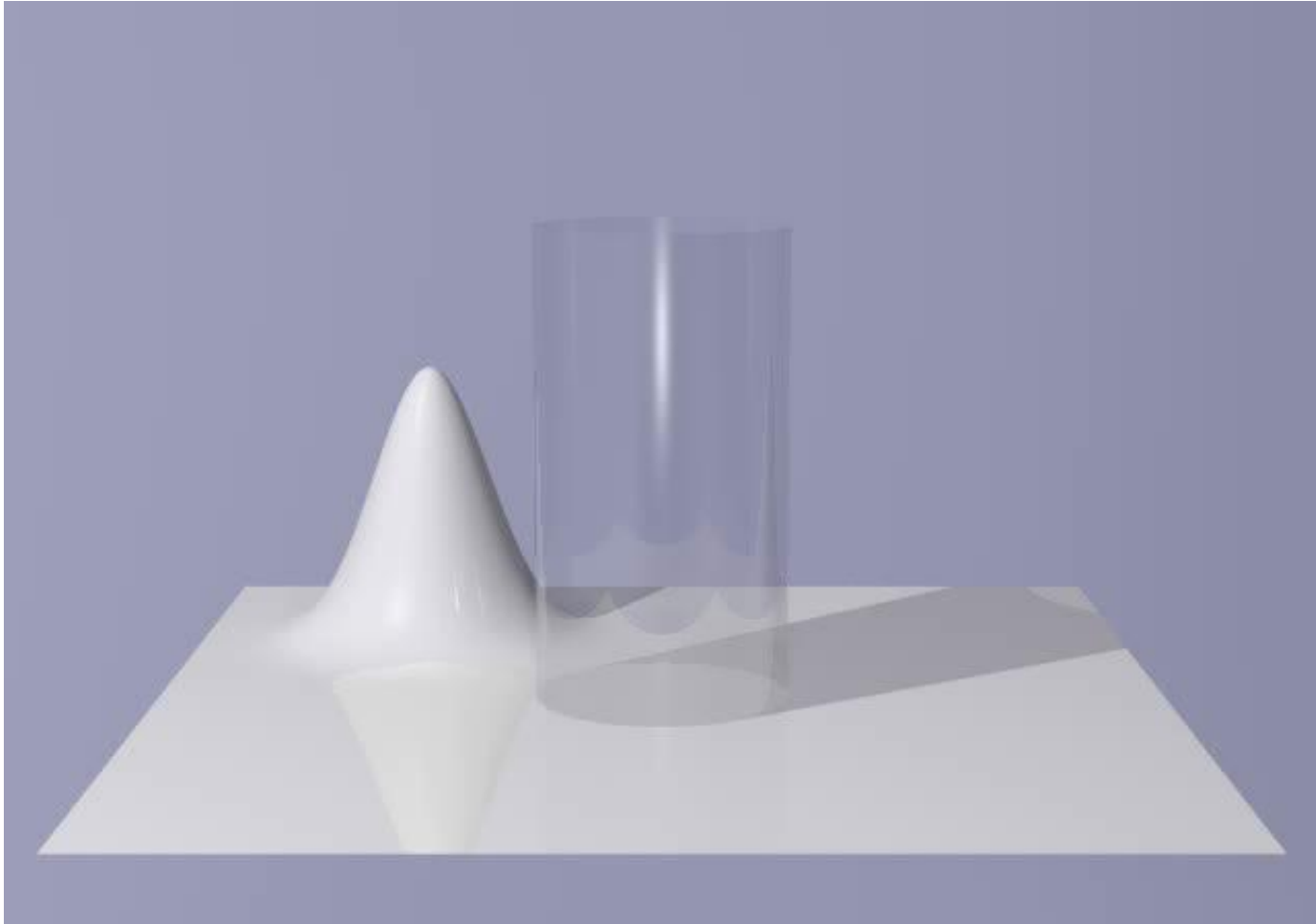
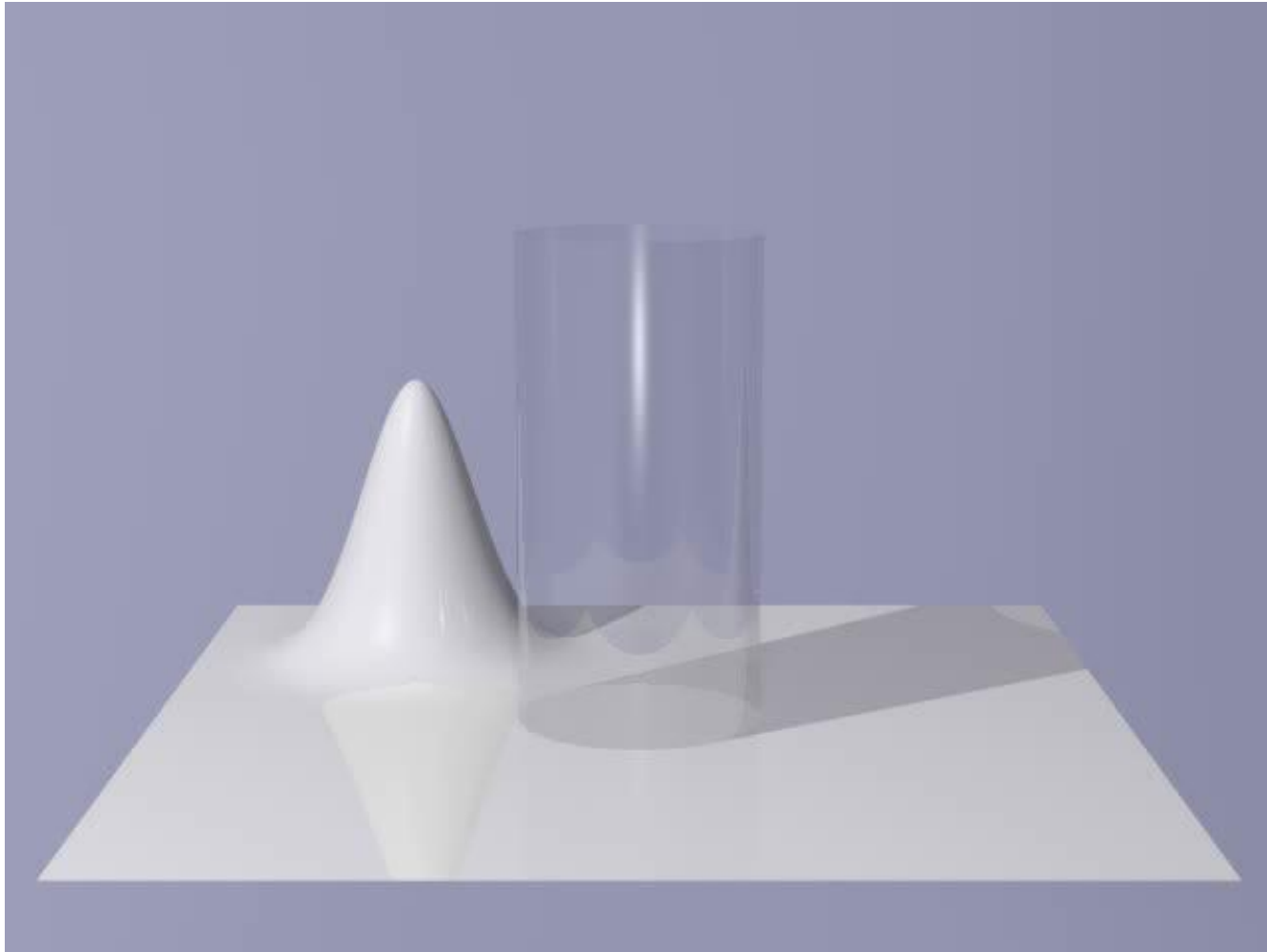


FIG. 5.3. Position densities for the numerical semiclassical Liouville (top) and von Neumann (bottom) solutions of Example 5.3. The \bullet in the Liouville plot shows the numerical solution for with 150 grid points over the domain $[-1.25, 1.25]$. The solid line shows the numerical solution for 3200 grid points. The von Neumann solution is for $\varepsilon = 0.002$.

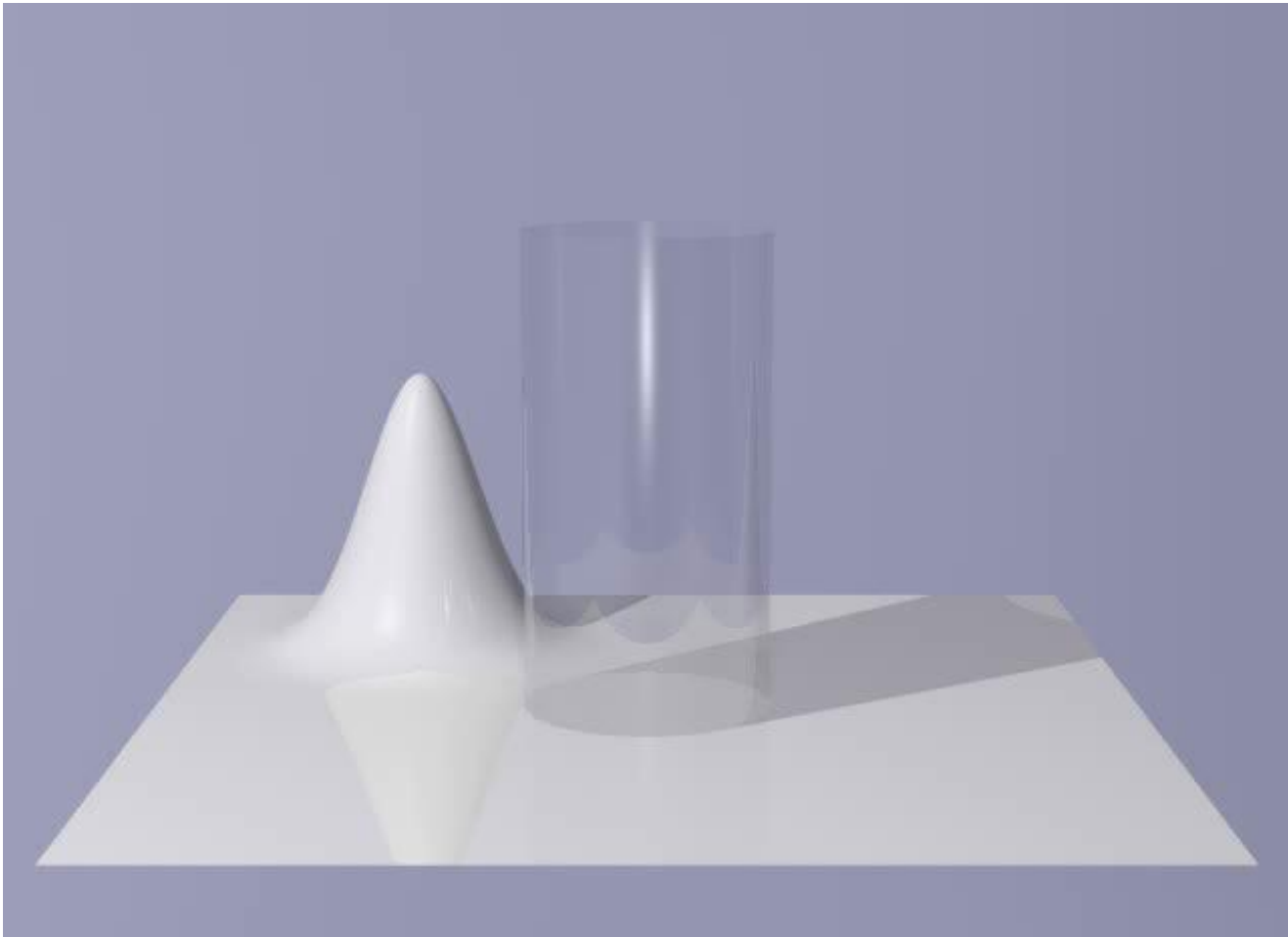
Circular barrier (Schrodinger with $\varepsilon=1/400$)



Circular barrier (semiclassical model)



Circular barrier (classical model)



Other applications/extensions

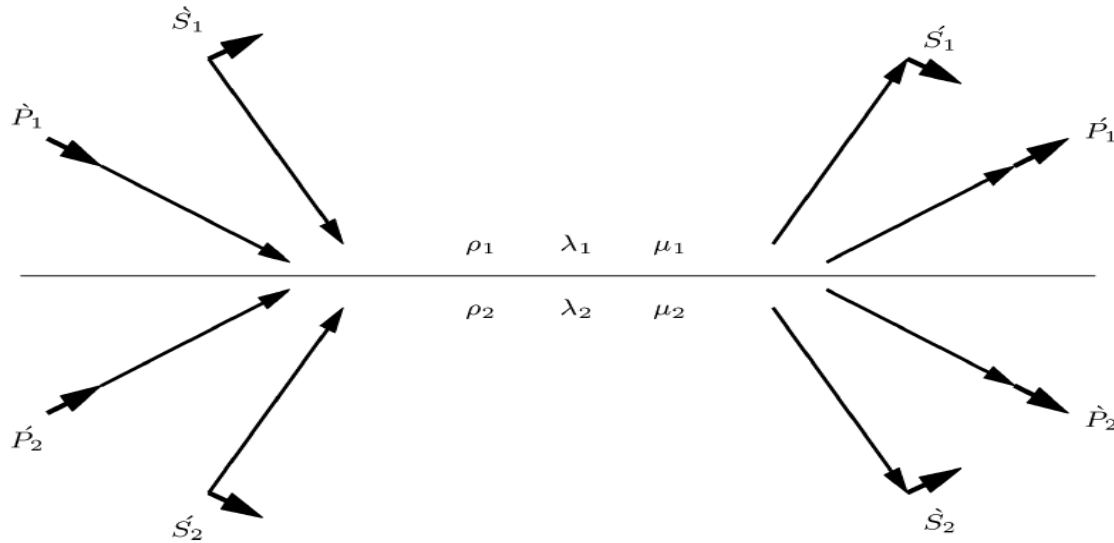
- Elastic waves (with X. Liao, JHDE)
high frequency limit (Bal-Keller-Papanicolaou-Ryzhik)

$$\frac{\partial a^p}{\partial t} + \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} H_p \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} a^p - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H_p \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} a^p = 0 \quad \text{p-wave}$$

$$\frac{\partial a^s}{\partial t} + \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} H_s \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} a^s - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} H_s \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} a^s = 0, \quad \text{s-wave}$$

$$H_p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) = c^p(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{k}|, \quad H_s(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) = c^s(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{k}|$$

Interface scattering

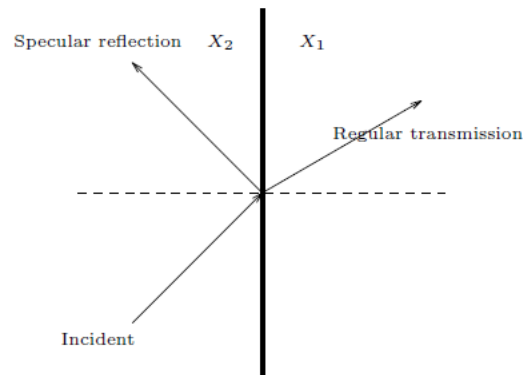


$$a^p(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}^+) = \beta_R^{PP} \cdot a^p(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}_{p_1}) + \beta_R^{SP} \cdot a^s(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}_{p_2}) \\ + \beta_T^{PP} \cdot a^p(t, \mathbf{x}^-, \mathbf{k}_{p_3}) + \beta_T^{SP} \cdot a^s(t, \mathbf{x}^-, \mathbf{k}_{p_4})$$

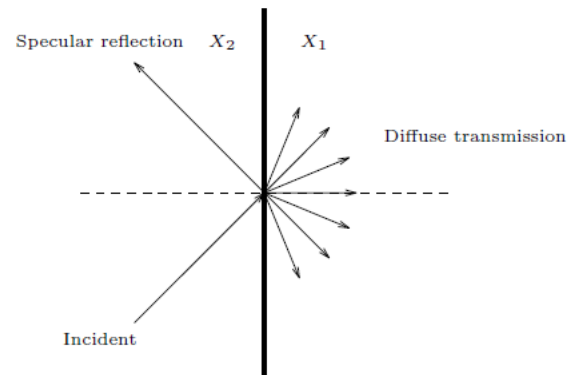
$$a^s(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}^+) = \beta_R^{PS} \cdot a^p(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}_{s_1}) + \beta_R^{SS} \cdot a^s(t, \mathbf{x}^+, \mathbf{k}_{s_2}) \\ + \beta_T^{PS} \cdot a^p(t, \mathbf{x}^-, \mathbf{k}_{s_3}) + \beta_T^{SS} \cdot a^s(t, \mathbf{x}^-, \mathbf{k}_{s_4})$$

Radiative transfer through rough interfaces (with X. Liao and X. Yang)

- High frequency limit of acoustic wave in random media through a rough interface
- Specular/diffusive scattering
- Bal-Ryzhik



(a) Interface condition I



(b) Interface condition II

Radiative transfer, nonlocal interface condition

$$\frac{\partial a}{\partial t} + v \hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} a = \int \sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \delta(v|\mathbf{k}| - v|\mathbf{k}'|) (a(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}') - a(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k})) d\mathbf{k}'$$

$$a_i(0, \mu)|_{\Gamma_-^i} = \sum_{j=1}^2 R^{ij} \left(a_j(0, \cdot)|_{\Gamma_+^j} \right) (\mu).$$

$$R^{11}(a)(\mu_1) = \mathcal{F}^{11}(\mu_1) a(-\mu_1), \quad R^{12}(a)(\mu_1) = 2 \int_0^1 \mu_1 \frac{\mu_1 v_2}{\mu_2 v_1} \mathcal{F}^{12}(\mu_2) a(\mu_2) d\mu_1, \quad (3.13)$$

$$R^{22}(a)(-\mu_2) = \mathcal{F}^{22}(\mu_2) a(\mu_2), \quad R^{21}(a)(-\mu_2) = 2 \int_0^1 \mu_2 \frac{\mu_2 v_1}{\mu_1 v_2} \mathcal{F}^{21}(\mu_1) a(-\mu_1) d\mu_2.$$

Diffraction (with D. Yin)

- Have to incorporate geometric theory of diffraction (J. Keller) into the interface condition—it depends on geometry
- Have done: curved interface, half plane, rectangular wedge

Surface hopping (with P. Qi and Z. Zhang, MMS)

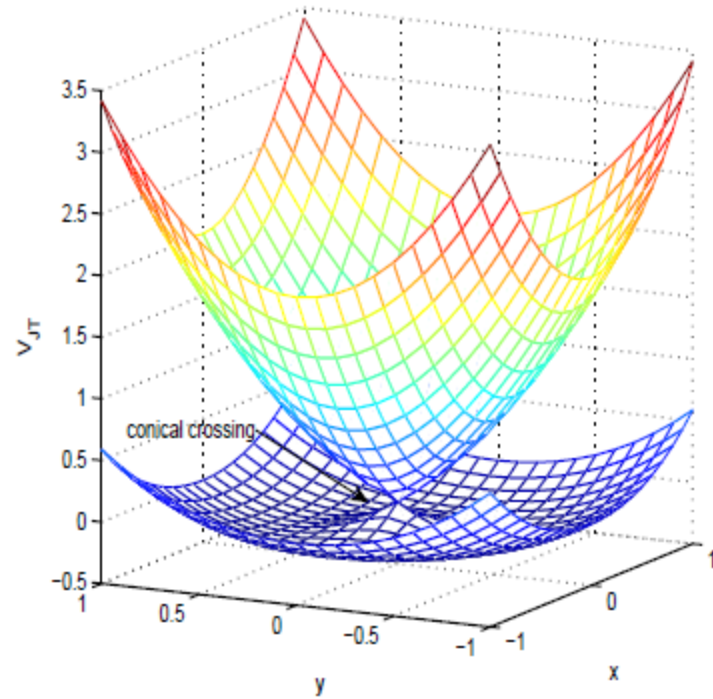
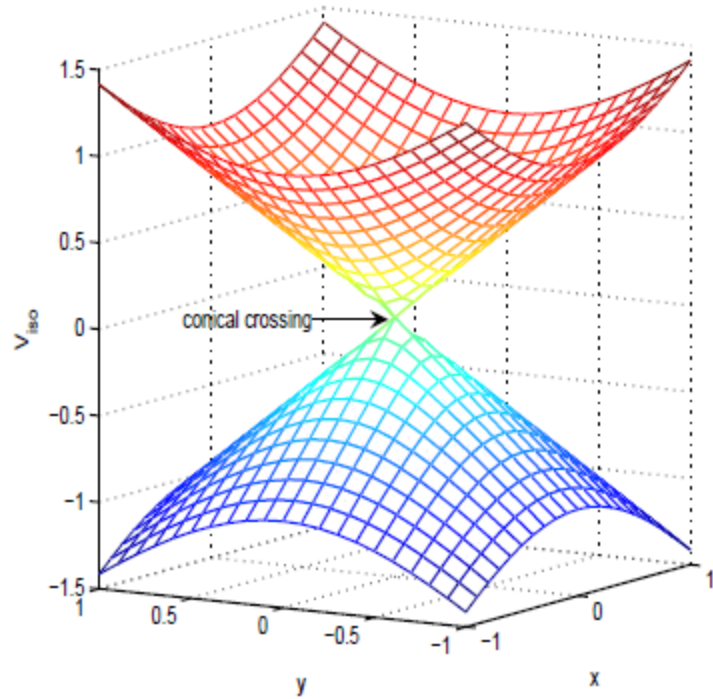
- Arising in Bohn-Oppenheimer approximation of N-body Schrodinger equation
- Classical trajectory for each potential electronic energy level + quantum hopping at conical crossing (Tully):

$$\partial_t u_\tau + \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \lambda_\tau \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} u_\tau - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \lambda_\tau \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} u_\tau = 0, \quad (t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \Omega, \quad \tau = 1, 2,$$

$$j_\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}) = (\nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \lambda_\tau, -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \lambda_\tau) u_\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}), \quad \tau = 1, 2.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} j_1(\mathbf{x}_0^+, \mathbf{k}_0^+) \\ j_2(\mathbf{x}_0^+, \mathbf{k}_0^+) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - T(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_0) & T(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_0) \\ T(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_0) & 1 - T(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{k}_0) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} j_1(\mathbf{x}_0^-, \mathbf{k}_0^-) \\ j_2(\mathbf{x}_0^-, \mathbf{k}_0^-) \end{pmatrix}$$

Conical crossing



Summary

Well-balanced scheme for shallow water equations

→ Hamiltonian preserving for Hamiltonian systems

→ high frequency waves through interfaces

→ quantum-classical coupling