

**Today:**

- Multi-dimensional advection
- Finite volume methods
- Dimensional splitting and fractional steps

**Friday:**

- Multi-dimensional wave propagation

**Reading:** Chapters 18, 19, 20

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This is required so that plane-wave data gives a 1d hyperbolic problem:

$$q(x, y, 0) = \breve{q}(x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta) \quad (\breve{q})$$

implies contours of  $q$  in  $x$ - $y$  plane are orthogonal to  $\theta$ -direction.

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so

$$q_t + Aq_x + Bq_y = \check{q}_t + (A \cos \theta + B \sin \theta) \check{q}_\xi$$

and the 2d problem reduces to the 1d hyperbolic equation

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**Equivalent** only if flow is divergence-free (**incompressible**):

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = u_x(x, y, t) + v_y(x, y, t) = 0 \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$



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$q$  is **constant** along characteristic (color is advected).

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Conservative form models density of conserved quantity.

Mass in region advecting with the flow varies stays constant but density increases if volume of region decreases, or density decreases if volume of region increases.

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**Note:** Zero wave speed for “shear wave” with variation only in velocity in direction  $(-\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ . (Fig 18.1)

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# Dimensional Splitting

Hyperbolic system in 2d:  $q_t + Aq_x + Bq_y = 0$

$x$ -sweeps :  $q_t + Aq_x = 0$

$y$ -sweeps :  $q_t + Bq_y = 0$ .

Use one-dimensional high-resolution methods for each,

“Godunov splitting” if `clawdata.order_trans = -1`,

“Strang splitting” if `clawdata.order_trans = -2`,

- Easy to extend good one-dimensional methods to 2D or 3D.
- Often very effective and efficient.
- May suffer from lack of isotropy.
- May be hard to use with AMR, complex geometry.

Alternative: Unsplit method if `clawdata.order_trans ≥ 0`.



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and then

$$q^{**}(x, \Delta t) = e^{\Delta t\mathcal{B}}e^{\Delta t\mathcal{A}}q(x, 0),$$

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Combining 2 steps gives:

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In true solution operator,

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B})^2 &= (\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B})(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}) \\ &= \mathcal{A}^2 + \mathcal{A}\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{B}\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}^2. \end{aligned}$$

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There is a splitting error for acoustics since  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}q_{xy} \neq \mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}q_{xy}$ .

# Strang splitting

- Time step  $\Delta t/2$  on A-problem,
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Formally second order if each solution method is.

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In practice often little difference from “first order Godunov splitting”



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**Source term in Clawpack:** Provide `src1.f` in 1d  
or `src2.f` in 2d that advances  $Q$  in each cell by time  $\Delta t$ .

Set `clawdata.src_split = 1` (or = 2 for Strang splitting)

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Transverse Riemann solver `rpt2.f`

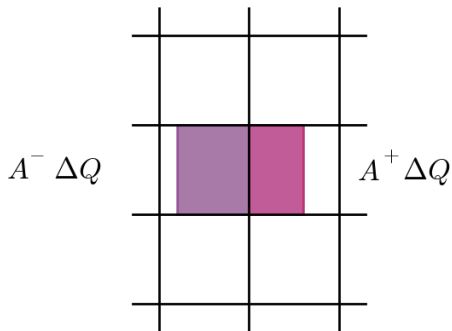
Decomposes  $\mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q$  into  $\mathcal{B}^- \mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q$  and  $\mathcal{B}^+ \mathcal{A}^+ \Delta Q$  by splitting this vector into eigenvectors of  $B$ .

(Or splits vector into eigenvectors of  $A$  if `ixy=2`.)

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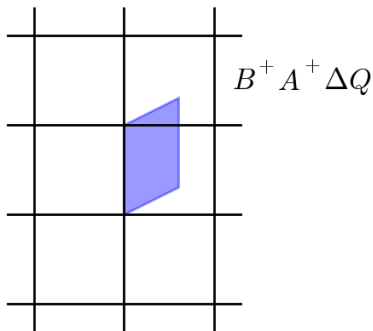
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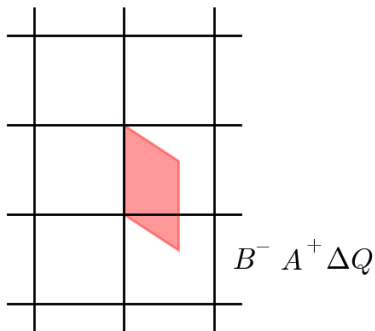
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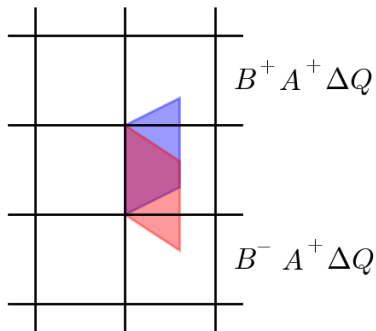
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