

The Discontinuous Galerkin Method

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Advantages of the Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) Method

- Discontinuous Galerkin (DG) methods are a class of finite element methods using completely discontinuous piecewise polynomial spaces as the basis
- DG methods are high-order schemes, which allow for a coarse spatial mesh to achieve the same accuracy,
- DG methods achieve local conservativity, easily handle complicated geometries and boundary conditions
- Allow flexibility for h-p adaptivity, efficient parallel implementation, easy coordination with finite volume techniques
- DG methods have attracted attention for high performance computing due to high computational intensity and less data communication

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- Partition spatial interval (a, b) with nodes $\{x_{j+1/2}\}_{j=0}^N$, and set $I_j = (x_{j-1/2}, x_{j+1/2})$
- $\Delta x_j = x_{j-1/2} - x_{j+1/2}$ for $j = 1, \dots, N$
- For simplicity, take the mesh to be uniform: $\Delta x = \text{constant}$.

DG Method for Burgers' Equation (cont.)

- Denote u_h as the approximate solution.

Multiplication by an arbitrary test function, ϕ_h , and integrating by parts,

$$\int_{I_j} (u_h)_t \phi_h \, dx + \int_{I_j} \left(\frac{u_h^2}{2}\right)_x \phi_h \, dx = 0,$$

$$\int (u_h)_t \phi_h \, dx - \int \left(\frac{u_h^2}{2}\right) (\phi_h)_x - \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \widehat{u_h^2}\right) [\phi_h] \right)_{j+1/2} = 0,$$

where $\int = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{I_j}$, $\widehat{u_h^2}$ is the numerical flux, and $[\phi_h] = \phi_h^+ - \phi_h^-$.

DG Method for Burgers' Equation (cont.)

- All that remains is determine how we should define $\widehat{u_h^2}$
- From the method of characteristics, we know how information propagates over time, that is in the direction of the characteristics
- Therefore, we choose what is called the “upwind flux,” and take $\widehat{u_h^2} = (u_h^-)^2$, where we take the value at the cell boundary to be from the left side
- In general, the choice of numerical flux is more difficult

Results

For the numerical test, we will solve the problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t + \left(\frac{u^2}{2}\right)_x = 0 & (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \\ u(x, 0) = 2 + \sin(2\pi x) & (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times \{0\} \\ u(0, t) = u(1, t) \end{cases}$$

where T is the final time.

Convergence Rate

Piecewise Linear ($p = 1$)

N	E_u^1	Order
20	2.7499e-01	
40	6.9351e-02	1.987
80	1.7595e-02	1.978
160	4.4458e-04	1.984

Piecewise Cubic ($p = 3$)

N	E_u^1	Order
20	2.1803e-05	
40	1.5436e-06	3.820
80	1.0416e-07	3.889
160	6.3546e-09	4.034

Piecewise Quadratic ($p = 2$)

N	E_u^1	Order
20	9.7444e-04	
40	1.1725e-04	3.054
80	1.4676e-05	2.998
160	1.8413e-06	2.994

Piecewise Quartic ($p = 4$)

N	E_u^1	Order
20	7.8406e-07	
40	2.6463e-08	4.888
80	8.2327e-10	5.006
160	2.4821e-11	5.051

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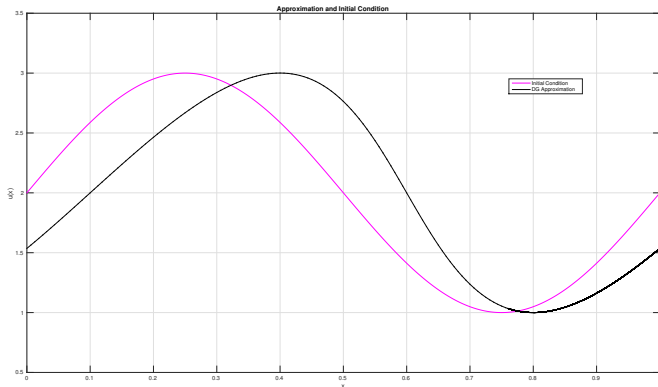


Figure : This is the approximation at time $t = 0.05$.

DG Method for the BBM-System

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We can write the above system in a conservation form

$$\begin{cases} \left(\eta - \frac{1}{6}\eta_{xx}\right)_t + (u + (\eta u))_x = 0, \\ \left(u - \frac{1}{6}u_{xx}\right)_t + \left(\eta + \frac{u^2}{2}\right)_x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Coupled BBM-system as a system of first order equations

We can rewrite the coupled-BBM system into a system of first order equations as the following

$$w_t + (\eta + q)_x = 0$$

$$w = u - \frac{1}{6}r_x$$

$$r = u_x$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2}u^2$$

$$v_t + (u + p)_x = 0$$

$$v = \eta - \frac{1}{6}s_x$$

$$s = \eta_x$$

$$p = \eta u$$

DG Formulation

The DG method is formulated as follows: for any test functions

$\phi_h, \psi_h, \varphi_h, \zeta_h, \rho_h, \theta_h, \xi_h, \vartheta_h \in V_h^k$, find

$w_h, v_h, u_h, \eta_h, r_h, s_h, p_h, q_h \in V_h^k$ such that

$$\int (w_h)_t \phi_h \, dx - \int (\eta_h + q_h) (\phi_h)_x \, dx - \sum_{j=1}^N ((\tilde{\eta}_h + \widehat{q}_h)[\phi_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int w_h \psi_h \, dx - \int u_h (\psi_h)_x \, dx - \frac{1}{6} \int r_h (\psi_h)_x \, dx - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j=1}^N (\widehat{r}_h[\psi_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int r_h \varphi_h \, dx + \int u_h (\varphi_h)_x \, dx + \sum_{j=1}^N (\widehat{u}_h[\varphi_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int q_h \zeta_h \, dx - \int \left(\frac{1}{2} (u_h)^2 \right) \zeta_h \, dx = 0$$

DG Formulation (cont.)

$$\int (v_h)_t \rho_h \, dx - \int (u_h + p_h) (\rho_h)_x \, dx - \sum_{j=1}^N ((\tilde{u}_h + \widehat{p}_h)[\rho_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int v_h \theta_h \, dx - \int \eta_h \theta_h \, dx - \frac{1}{6} \int s_h (\theta_h)_x \, dx - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j=1}^N (\widehat{s}_h[\theta_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int s_h \xi_h \, dx + \int \eta_h (\xi_h)_x \, dx + \sum_{j=1}^N (\widehat{\eta}_h[\xi_h])_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = 0$$

$$\int p_h \vartheta_h \, dx - \int (\eta_h u_h) \vartheta_h \, dx = 0$$

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- Remaining terms give the energy which is conserved by the method

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For the choice of alternating flux, the (continuous) energy, $\mathcal{E}_h(t)$, is conserved by the DG method, i.e.

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The proof follows from choosing the alternating flux from the previous slides. Boundary terms can be eliminated by integration by parts identities. The proof is similar to that of the energy conservation theorem found in *Chen, Liu (2012)* at the PDE level.

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Second, is the upwind flux which introduces numerical dissipation, and has the choices of

$$\begin{cases} \widetilde{u}_h &= \{u_h\} - \frac{1}{2}[\eta_h], \\ \widetilde{\eta}_h &= \{\eta_h\} - \frac{1}{2}[u_h]. \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \widehat{q}_h &= \{q_h\} - \frac{1}{2}[p_h], \\ \widehat{p}_h &= \{p_h\} - \frac{1}{2}[q_h]. \end{cases}$$

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- Notation: $\{u_h\} = \frac{u_h^+ + u_h^-}{2}$ and $[u_h] = u_h^+ - u_h^-$
- Choice of flux follows from eliminating the third derivative term to get a system of hyperbolic conservation laws
- Upwind flux is the standard choice for this type of system
- Chosen to add numerical dissipation to the system

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The proof follows similar to the previous stability proof, except we choose the upwind flux choices from previous slides. With this choice, boundary terms from the DG method are still present. These terms can be bounded by a routine application of Young's inequality to get the energy estimate.

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- Difficulty arises in this proof due to the nonlinear terms present and the coupled nature of the system.

Solutions to the BBM-system (Exact Traveling Wave Solution)

- *Chen (1998)*, the exact traveling wave solution to the BBM-system is

$$u(x, t) = 3k \operatorname{sech}^2 \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}(x - kt - x_0) \right),$$

$$\eta(x, t) =$$

$$\frac{15}{4} \left(-2 + \cosh \left(3\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}(x - kt - x_0) \right) \right) \operatorname{sech}^4 \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}(x - kt - x_0) \right)$$

where $k = \pm \frac{5}{2}$, and x_0 is the x value where the center of the wave is located

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where ϵ represents the ratio of the maximum wave amplitude to the undisturbed depth of the liquid.

- The *exact* traveling wave solution to the single BBM equation is

$$v(x, t) = \operatorname{sech}^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{\kappa}} (x - \kappa t - x_0) \right),$$

where $\kappa = 1 + \epsilon/2$.

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Convergence Test: Alternating Flux, SSPRK4 in Time (Exact Traveling Wave Solution)

Parameters: $k = 2, L = 40, \Delta x = \frac{1}{2^j}$ for $j = 0, \dots, 4, \Delta t = .1\Delta x, T = 1$

Nx	j	CPU (s)	E_η^1	Order	E_u^1	Order
40	0	0.163	1.6003e-00		9.3584e-01	
80	1	0.504	1.5717e-01	3.34	6.9160e-02	3.75
160	2	3.505	1.5362e-02	3.35	5.0564e-03	3.77
320	3	25.795	1.7227e-03	3.15	5.2204e-04	3.27
640	4	271.279	2.0514e-04	3.06	6.4118e-05	3.02

Convergence Test: Alternating Flux, and Midpoint Rule in Time (Exact Traveling Wave Solution)

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40	0	0.710	2.1994e-00		1.5848e-00	
80	1	2.328	1.7709e-01	3.63	1.1434e-01	3.79
160	2	14.034	1.5581e-02	3.50	7.0977e-03	4.00
320	3	214.036	1.6858e-03	3.20	6.0759e-04	3.54
640	4	3327.298	1.9711e-04	3.09	6.7434e-05	3.17

Convergence Test: Dissipative Flux, and SSPRK4 in Time (Approximate Solitary Wave Solution)

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Nx	j	CPU (s)	E_η^1	Order	E_u^1	Order
40	0	0.166				
80	1	0.422	2.4668e-02		2.4668e-02	
160	2	1.924	2.6662e-03	3.209	2.6685e-03	3.208
320	3	67.544	3.1745e-04	3.070	3.1773e-04	3.070
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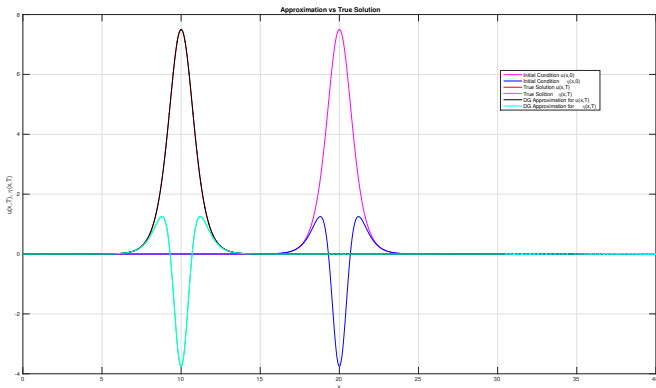


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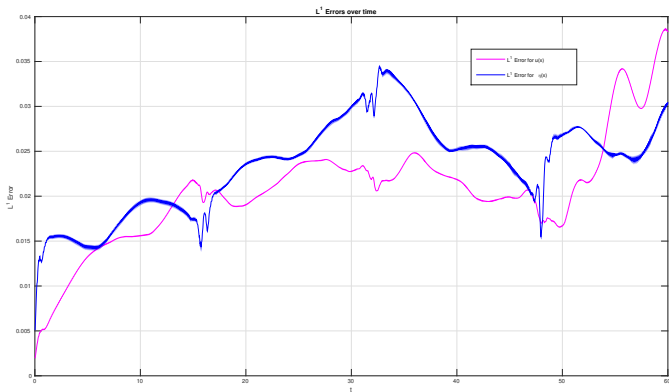


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Numerical Results

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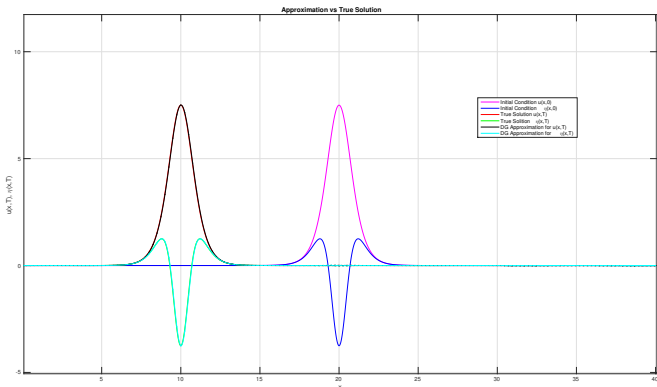


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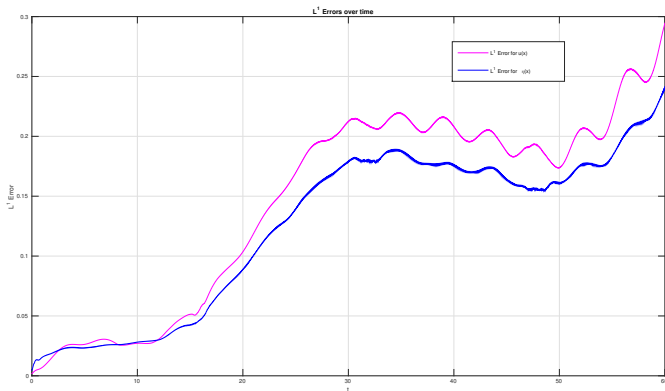


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Conserved Quantity - Alternating-SSPRK4-Midpoint Comparison (Exact Traveling Wave Solution)

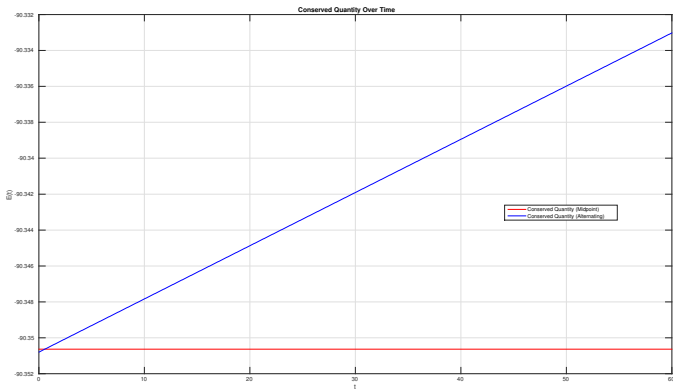


Figure : Comparison of Energy Values of SSPRK4 and Midpoint, with Alternating Flux.

Solitary Wave Generation Test

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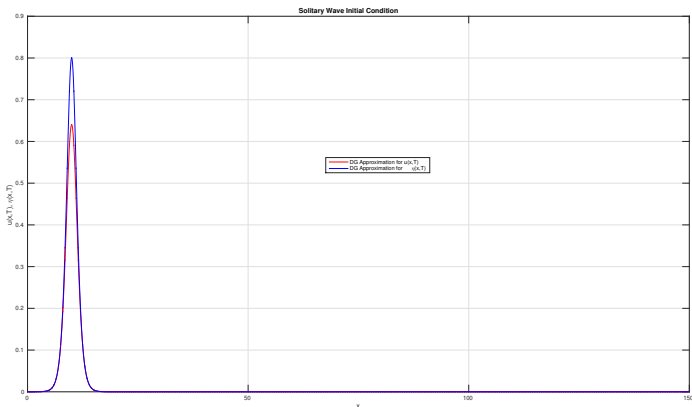


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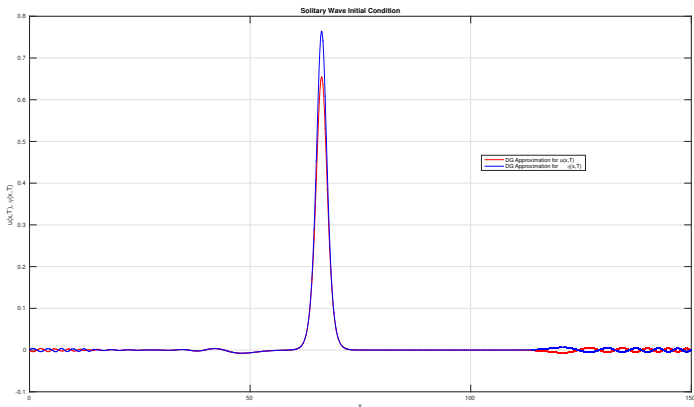


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where the solution, $u(x, t, \xi)$ is a function of the random parameter $\xi \sim \mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$. We run the code up to time $T^* - \epsilon$ which is the time just before the shock develops.

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Therefore, each $u_i(x, t)$ is a polynomial of degree k from the DG method, with $N + 1$ such equations. The numerical solution is thus a finite sum of products of polynomials in x and ξ .

Implementation

In order to solve the stochastic problem, we have to solve the system of conservation laws on the previous slide. First, we have to write the initial condition in terms of the gPC basis

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where

$$\tilde{u}_i(x) = \langle \Phi_i(\xi), u_0(x, \xi) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\Omega} \Phi_i(\xi) u_0(x, \xi) e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{2}} d\xi$$

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In the above, the values of x are taken to be the quadrature points we will use in the next step for the DG method, so the now have the initial condition written in the form

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We now return to solve the deterministic system

$$u_t + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(u) = 0, \quad f(u) = \frac{1}{2} A(u)u$$

where

$$\frac{1}{2} A(u)u = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}u_0^2 + \frac{1}{2}u_1^2 \\ u_0u_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{1}{2}u_0^2 + \frac{1}{2}u_1^2 \right) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u_0u_1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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For the implementation, we do a stochastic gPC approximation of order 1, and a DG method that is piecewise linear. The mesh size is taken to be $\Delta x = .1/32$, and $\Delta t = .1\Delta x$. There are 25 stochastic sample initial conditions taken.

A minmod slope limiter is also implemented to reduce oscillations at the edges corners of the piecewise function.

Initial Condition With No Stochastic Component

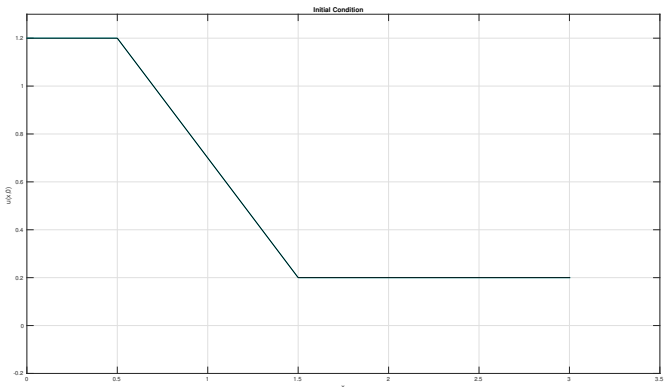


Figure : The initial condition with the stochastic component set to zero.

Order 3 gPC Basis Results

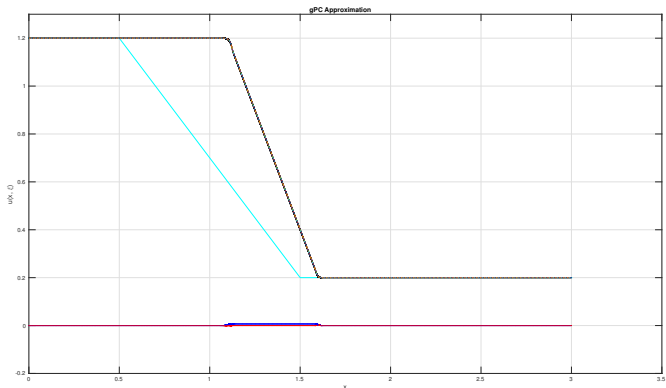


Figure : This is the approximation at time $T = .5$.

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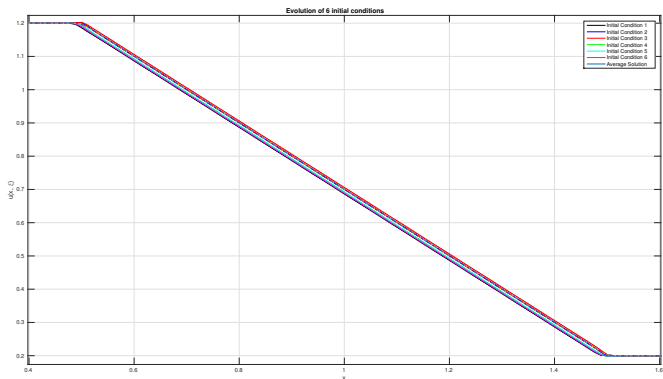


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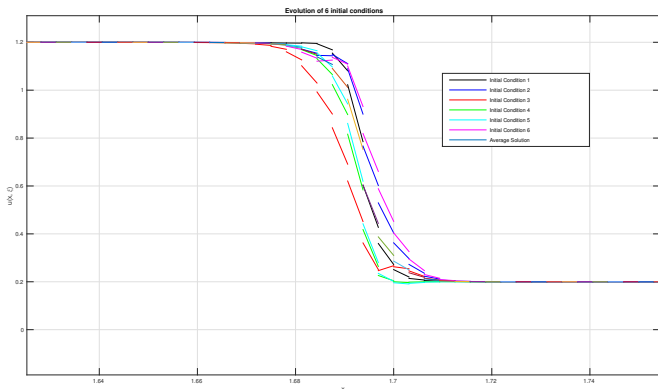


Figure : Six sample initial conditions evolved over time, with the average solution plotted for reference.

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