On the convexity of relativistic ideal magnetohydrodynamics

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· Generalized fundamental derivative including relativistic effects and magnetic field effects.

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Introduction:

 Relativistic jets emanating from AGN, explosion in core-collapse supernovae, collapse to black hole or production of gamma ray bursts do need numerical simulations of the RMHD equations obeying a causal EoS (hyperbolic system of conservation laws).

- · Influence of exotic states of matter at extreme high densities.
- Definition of the fundamental derivative (FD):

$$\mathcal{G} := -\frac{1}{2} V \frac{\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial V^2}}{\frac{\partial p}{\partial V}}$$

• The FD measures the convexity of the isentropes in the p-V plan. FD>0 \rightarrow isentropes are convex, leading to expansive rarefaction waves and compressive shocks. In a VdW-like EoS or in general in a non-convex EoS (FD<0), rarefaction waves can change to compressive and shock waves to expansive, depending on the specific thermodynamical state of the system.

· Observed experimentally and many engineering applications.

 Equivalent definition due to Lax: convex if all its characteristic fields are either genuinely nonlinear or linearly degenerate:

$$\mathcal{P} \coloneqq \vec{\nabla}_{\mathbf{u}} \boldsymbol{\lambda} \cdot \mathbf{r} \neq 0,$$
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 Convexity characterized with the sign of FD which includes dependence of the local speed of sound [Ibáñez, C.-C., Martí, Miralles, CQG, 2013] and magnetic field [Ibáñez, C.-C., Aloy, Martí and Miralles, CGQ, 2015].

RMHD equations:

Conservation of mass, conservation of energy-momentum and Maxwell equations. EoS closing the system.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} &+ \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^{i}}{\partial x^{i}} = 0 \qquad \qquad \mathbf{V} = (\rho, v^{i}, \epsilon, B^{i})^{T} \\ \mathbf{U} &= \begin{pmatrix} D \\ S^{i} \\ \pi \\ B^{i} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \mathbf{F}^{i} &= \begin{pmatrix} Dv^{i} \\ S^{j}v^{i} + p^{*}\delta^{ij} - b^{j}B^{i}/W \\ \tau v^{i} + p^{*}v^{i} - b^{0}B^{i}/W \\ v^{i}B^{k} - v^{k}B^{i} \end{pmatrix} \qquad b^{0} = Wv_{k}B^{k}, \\ b^{i} &= \frac{B^{i}}{W} + b^{0}v^{i}. \\ D &= \rho W, \\ S^{i} &= \rho h^{*}W^{2}v^{i} - b^{0}b^{i}, \qquad W^{2} = 1/(1 - v^{i}v_{i}) \\ r &= \rho h^{*}W^{2} - p^{*} - (b^{0})^{2} - D. \qquad h^{*} = 1 + \epsilon + p/\rho + b^{2}/\rho \end{aligned}$$

Results:

• The charactertistic information of the RMHD equations is contained in the Jacobian matrices of the vectors of fluxes with respect to the *conserved* variables along an arbitrary unitary 3vector (coordinate direction). It can be more easily computed through the Jacobian of the fluxes with respect to the *primitive* variables. Once the characteristic information is known we can study (see details in [Ibáñez, C.-C., Aloy, Martí and Miralles, CGQ, 2015]) the expression

$$\mathcal{P}_{\alpha} = \vec{V}_{\mathbf{U}} \lambda_{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{\alpha}$$

which is non-zero if and only if the expression

$$\mathcal{P}^*_{\alpha} \coloneqq \vec{\nabla}_{\mathbf{V}} \lambda_{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{r}^*_{\alpha}$$

is also non-zero (we can use again Jacobian with respect to primitive variables).

· Some definitions:

$$a_s := \sqrt{\partial p/\partial e|_s}, \ \phi_\alpha := (-\lambda, \xi_i), \ a := \phi_\alpha u^\alpha, \ G := \phi_\alpha \phi^\alpha, \ \mathcal{B} := \phi_\alpha b^\alpha,$$
$$d = a_s^2 G^2 \mathcal{B} \xi_k B^k - (G - \lambda_{m_\pm} a W^{-1}) \rho h W W_s^{-2} a^4.$$

• Trivially zero eigenvalue leads to linearly degenerate characteristic field (LDCF).

- · Eigenvalue associated with the material waves leads to LDCF.
- Eigenvalues associated with the Alfvén waves (2) leads to LDCF.
- Eigenvalues associated with the fast and slow magnetosonic wavespeeds (4):

$$\mathcal{P}_{m_{\pm}}^* = \frac{W^3 a^4 G^2}{2a_s^2 d} \mathcal{P}_1^* \mathcal{P}_2^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_1^* &= b^2 G - \rho h a^2, \\ \mathcal{P}_2^* &= \left(\rho \left. \frac{\partial a_s^2}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\epsilon} + \frac{p}{\rho} \left. \frac{\partial a_s^2}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_{\rho} \right) W_s^2 \left(\frac{\mathcal{B}^2}{a^2} - \mathcal{E} \right) \\ &- b^2 \left(3 - a_s^2 \right) - 2\rho h a_s^2 + \frac{a_s^2 \left(5 - 3a_s^2 \right) \mathcal{B}^2}{a^2} \end{aligned}$$

First term is zero iff the corresponding magnetosonic eigenvalue is also an Alfvén eigenvalue \rightarrow LDCF.

 Other cases: to study loss of convexity we focus on second term.

· We recap the relativistic FD derived in [Ibáñez, C.-C., Martí, Miralles, CQG, 2013]:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = 1 + \frac{\rho}{2a_s^2} \left. \frac{\partial a_s^2}{\partial \rho} \right|_s - a_s^2$$

• We define the FD for relativistic, magnetized fluids [Ibáñez, C.-C., Aloy, Martí and Miralles, CGQ, 2015]:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{M}} \coloneqq \tilde{\mathcal{G}} + F,$$

$$F := \frac{3}{2} W_s^{-4} \left(\frac{c_a^2 / a_s^2 - R}{1 - R} \right).$$

Using the comoving frame and some algebra it can be checked that F>0 in any reference frame.

· Previous expression can be rewritten as:

$$\mathcal{P}_2^* = -2a_s^2 W_s^2 \mathcal{E} (1-R) \ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{\mathrm{M}}$$
$$\mathcal{E} := \rho h + b^2, \ R := \frac{\mathcal{B}^2}{\mathcal{E}a^2}, \ c_a^2 := \frac{b^2}{\mathcal{E}a^2}$$

Recovery of limits:

· Zero magnetic field implies $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{M,b^2=0} = \tilde{\mathcal{G}}$, so we recover the relativistic unmagnetized limit [Ibáñez, C.-C., Martí, Miralles, CQG, 2013].

 Imposing non relativistic effects but taking into account magnetic fields (MHD equations) in previous FD, we recover the classical magnetized limit [Serna, Marquina, Phys Fluids, 2014].

 More details about all calculations and in particular the analysis of the degenerate cases can be found in [Ibáñez, C.-C., Aloy, Martí and Miralles, CGQ, 2015].

Conclusions:

 Analysis of the influence of special relativistic effects and magnetic field in the convexity properties of the RMHD equations using approach of Lax (study of LDCF).

• Material and Alfvén waves are LDCF and, then, not affected by the convexity issue.

• Analysis of the characteristic fields associated with the magnetosonic waves: dependence of the convexity condition through the sign of the *generalized FD*.

• Generalized FD can be written as the sum of two terms: the first one is the FD in the case of purely hydrodynamical relativistic flow; the second one contains the effects of the magnetic field and is always positive (reduction of the domain of thermodynamical states for which the EoS is non-convex).

Conclusions:

FD in the case of purely hydrodynamical relativistic flow includes a negative correction to the non-relativistic case (increasing of the domain of thermodynamical states for which the EoS is nonconvex).

· Recovery of non-relativistic, unmagnetized limits.

• This result can be relevant in the context of massive stellar core collapse. Needed of numerical simulations: several EoS, relativistic negative contribution, magnetic positive contribution.

• Relativistic effects can induce a non-convex thermodynamics, and, as a consequence, a non-convex dynamics. A non-convex dynamics have implications in the emission of GWs: see N. Sanchis-Gual's talk.

Thank you for your attention!!