

Conservation properties

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1) Directly conserved

e.g. density, momentum, *Sometimes* energy

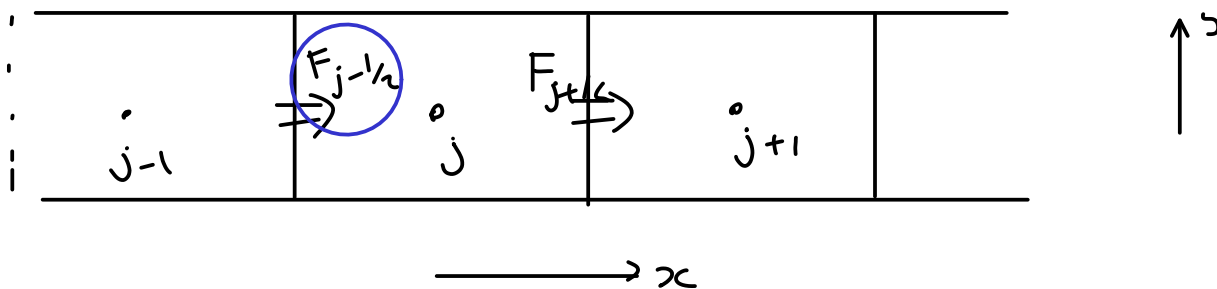
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\vec{F}) = S$$

\nwarrow evolving quantity \nearrow source
 \uparrow flux

e.g. $f = \rho$ $\vec{F} = \rho \vec{u}$
 mass density

Integrate over a volume

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int f \, dV + \underbrace{\int \nabla \cdot \vec{F} \, dV}_{\oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}} = \int S \, dV$$



$$\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial t} = \frac{F_{j-1/2} - F_{j+1/2}}{\Delta V} \quad F_{j+1/2} = \rho_{j+1/2} u_{j+1/2} \Delta s$$

$\nwarrow \Delta V = \Delta x \Delta s$

$$\frac{\partial f_{j-1}}{\partial t} = \frac{F_{j-3/2} - F_{j-1/2}}{\Delta V_{j-1}}$$

By writing equations in flux form conservation of $\int f dv$ is ensured even if \underline{F} is approximated.

Application to MHD

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho \underline{u} \\ \omega \end{pmatrix} + \nabla \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \rho \underline{u} \\ \rho \underline{u} \underline{u} + \left(p + \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right) \mathbb{I} - \frac{B \underline{B}}{2\mu_0} \\ \left(\frac{\rho \underline{u}^2}{2} + \frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1} p \right) \underline{u} + \frac{\underline{E} \times \underline{B}}{\mu_0} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Ideal MHD in conservation form

\Rightarrow Can ensure that $\int \rho dv$ conserved

$$\int \rho \underline{u} dv$$

$$\int \omega dv$$

Indirectly Conservation

Combination of several equations

\rightarrow Integral relations

Example $\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \underline{u}$ $\frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial t} = -\nabla p$

Sound wave

Conserved energy

$$\underline{u} \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial t} = -\underline{u} \cdot \nabla p$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{2} u^2 \right) = \rho \nabla \cdot \underline{u} - \nabla \cdot (p \underline{u})$$

$$\nabla \cdot (p \underline{u}) = \rho \nabla \cdot \underline{u} + \underline{u} \cdot \nabla p$$

Depends on this

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \underline{u}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{2} u^2 \right) = \rho \nabla \cdot \underline{u} - \underbrace{\nabla \cdot (p \underline{u})}_{\text{boundaries}}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\left(p + \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right)}_{\text{Conserved quantity}} dV = \int_{\Omega} -\nabla \cdot (p \underline{u}) dV$$

Conserved quantity

$$= - \int_{\partial \Omega} p \underline{u} \cdot d\underline{s}$$

flux of energy through boundaries

Conservation depends on properties of $\nabla \cdot (\cdot)$ and ∇ operators \rightarrow choose carefully!
 e.g. central difference

Summation by parts (SBP)