

# A particle-in-Burgers model: theory and numerics

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# MODEL AND MOTIVATION

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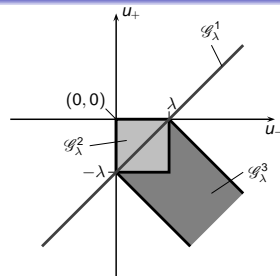
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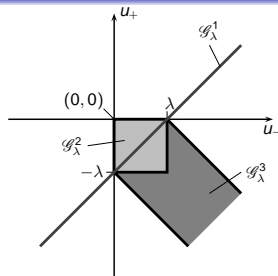
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First, let us describe some elementary solutions of this problem: these are **the stationary piecewise constant functions  $c$** :

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### Theorem (well-posedness for moving but decoupled particle)

*Given  $h(\cdot)$  a  $C^1$  path, there exists a unique entropy solution to the Burgers equation with singular drag term  $-\lambda (u - h'(t))\delta_0(x - h(t))$ ; (localized)  $L^1$  contraction property holds.*

#### Definition :

- the germ  $\mathcal{G}_\lambda$  changes into  $(h'(t), h'(t)) + \mathcal{G}_\lambda$ ;
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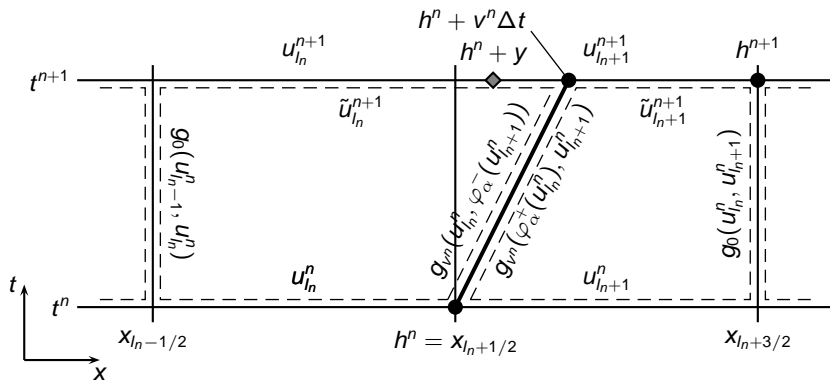
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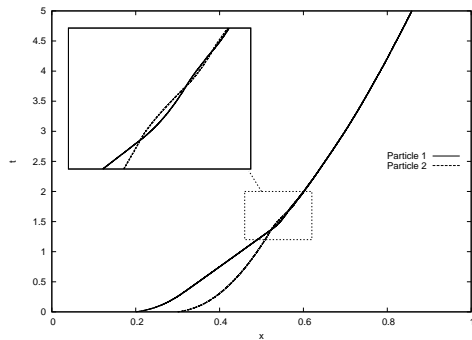
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## Numerics: drafting-kissing-tumbling



**Figure:** Trajectories of two particles

Thx !!!

THANK YOU !