

Rarefaction waves in Van Der Waals Fluids

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Introduction – Warm Dense Matter

Warm Dense Matter: $[0.01\rho_{solid} < \rho < 10\rho_{solid}]$
 $[0.01 eV < T < 10 eV]$

Where to find Warm Dense Matter?

A few examples:

Ablation of a metal by a laser or an ion beam

In the core of gaseous planets

During the early stages of an inertial confined fusion
implosion

One area of interest:

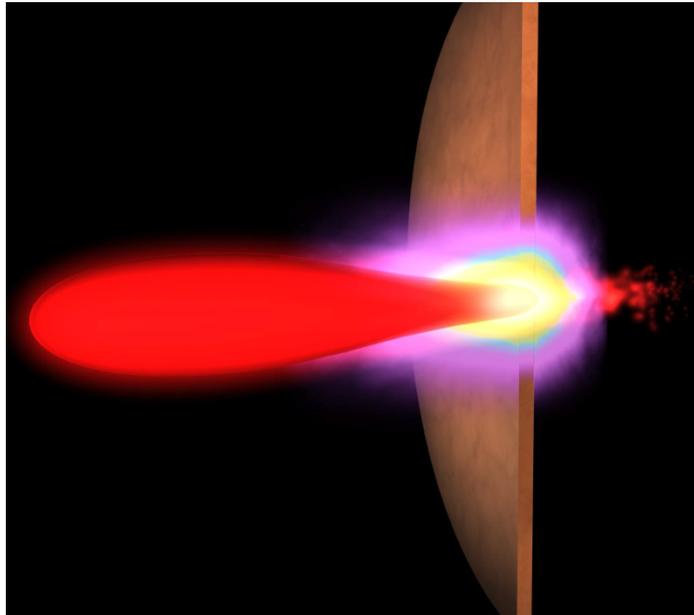
Transition from a high temperature solid or liquid into the
vapor state.

Motivation

- For many material, the critical point above with there is no distinction between liquid and vapor is poorly known for many materials.
- Need to develop methods to experimentally measure these quantities.
- In this presentation, the 1D isentropic expansion into vacuum of a uniform semi-infinite layer of a heated metal in the WDM regime is studied semi-analytically.

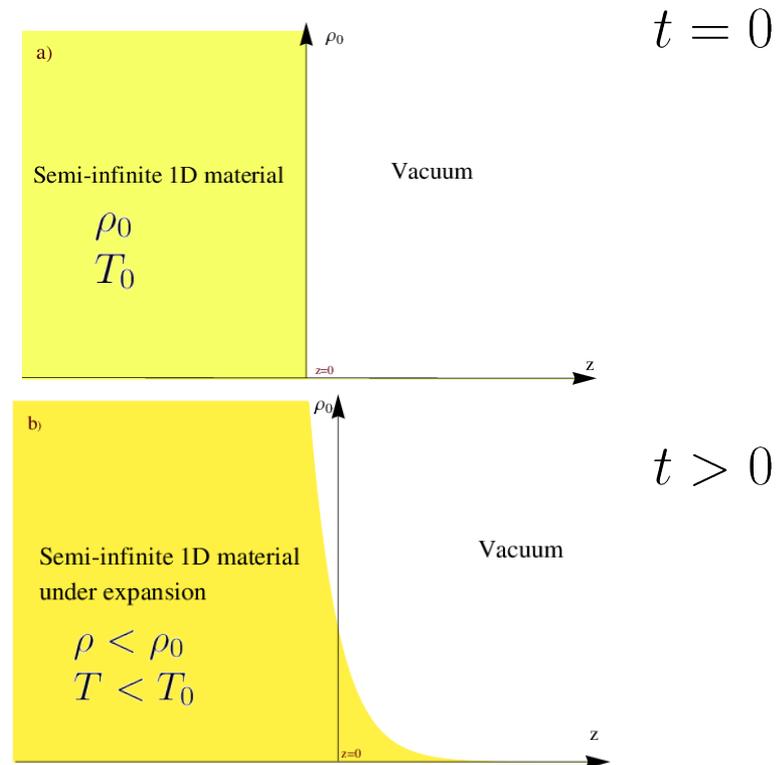
Geometry of our problem

Real case:



Ion beam shining through a metallic foil.

Our case (Schematic):



Hydrodynamics of the VDW Fluid – Hydromotion (I)

- 1D cartesian Eulerian fluid equations
- No mass source/sink
- Non-viscous and neutral fluid

Continuity equation: $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial z} = 0$

Momentum equation: $\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$

ρ : mass density

v : fluid velocity

t : time

z : longitudinal coordinate

Hydrodynamics of the VDW Fluid – Hydromotion (II)

Let
$$\begin{aligned} P &= v + I \\ M &= v - I \end{aligned}$$
 where
$$I(\rho) = \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho} \frac{c_s(\rho')}{\rho'} d\rho' \quad \text{and} \quad c_s^2(\rho) = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right|_s$$

The continuity and momentum equation can be transformed to:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + (v + c_s) \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial M}{\partial t} + (v - c_s) \frac{\partial M}{\partial z} = 0$$

As there is no natural time or space scale, let $\xi = \frac{z}{t}$. Then:

$$(v + c_s - \xi)P'(\xi) = 0 \qquad (v - c_s - \xi)M'(\xi) = 0$$

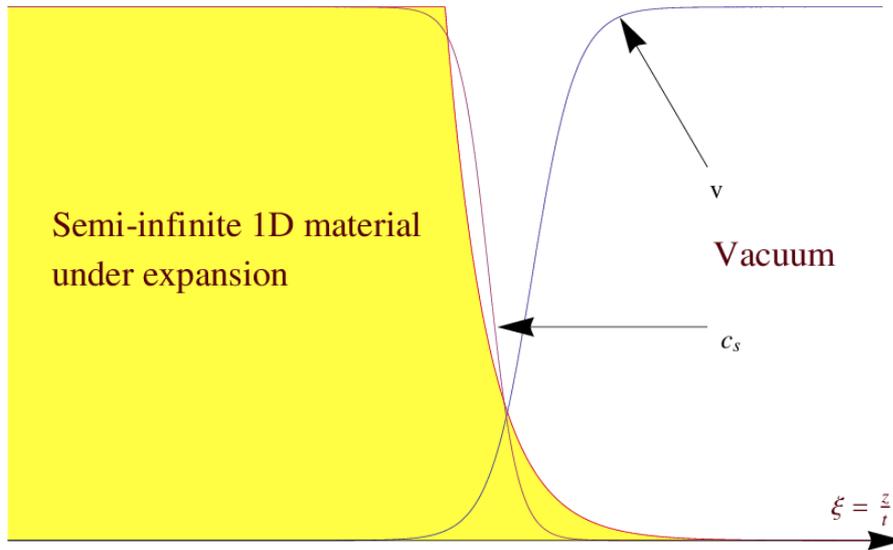
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Hydrodynamics of the VDW Fluid – Hydromotion (III)

Solutions:

$$(v - c_s - \xi) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad P'(\xi) = 0$$

~~$$\text{or } (v + c_s - \xi) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad M'(\xi) = 0$$~~



Boundary conditions:

For $\xi < 0$, $c_s > 0$ and $v \rightarrow 0$

~~*For $\xi > 0$, $c_s \rightarrow 0$ and $v > 0$*~~

$$(v - c_s - \xi) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad P'(\xi) = 0$$

$$P(\xi) = \text{constant} \Rightarrow v(\rho) = -I(\rho) + \text{constant}$$

$$\text{@ } t=0, \rho = \rho_0 \Rightarrow v(\rho_0) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{constant} = 0$$

$$\xi(\rho) = -I(\rho) - c_s(\rho)$$

But what are $I(\rho)$ and $c_s(\rho)$? \square Need Equation of State (EOS)

Equation of State: the VDW model

Why VDW? Why not perfect gas? Or more advanced EOS such as QEOS?

- Exhibits phase-transition behavior: first order gas-liquid transition
- Mathematically simple

The VDW EOS is based on the perfect gas law but takes into account:

- The non-zero size of the molecules
- The attraction between them

Equation of State: the VDW model

VDW EOS:
$$p = \frac{\rho k T}{A m_{amu} (1 - b \rho)} - a \rho^2$$

$$S = \frac{k}{A m_{amu}} \ln \left(A m_{amu} \frac{1 - b \rho}{\rho \lambda^3} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda = \sqrt{\frac{h^2}{2 \pi A m_{amu} k T}}$$

p : pressure

ρ : mass density

T : temperature

S : entropy density

ϵ : energy density

m_{amu} : atomic mass unit

A : mass number

a, b : VDW parameters

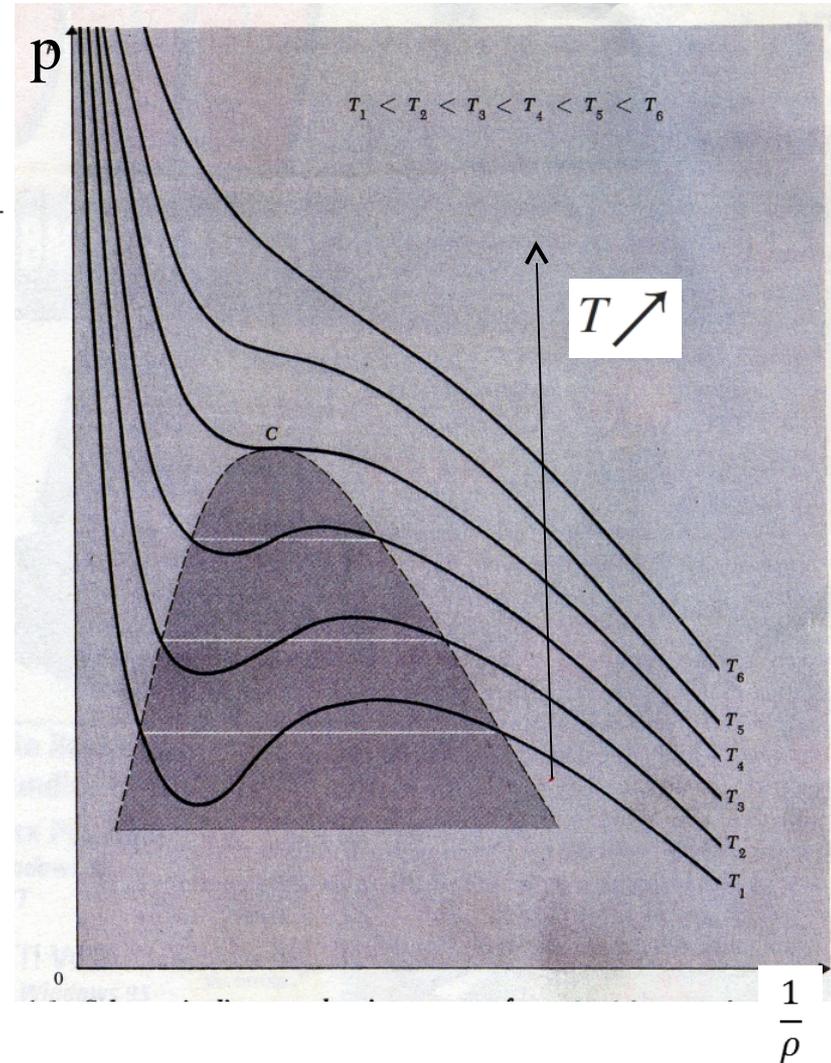
$$\epsilon = \frac{3}{2} \frac{k T}{A m_{amu}} - a \rho$$

For this EoS, the sound speed can be imaginary: $c_s^2(\rho) \equiv \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right|_s$

$\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} > 0$ leads to instability

Maxwell construction replaces unstable region on isotherm curve with constant pressure 2-phase region where liquid and vapor coexist.

The liquid/gas border is determined by setting $p_l = p_g$ and $\int_{V_l}^{V_g} (p - p_g) dV = 0$



Dimensionless VDW EOS (I)

In order to treat the problem more generally,
we use dimensionless parameters.

We choose the critical parameters as the scaling parameters.

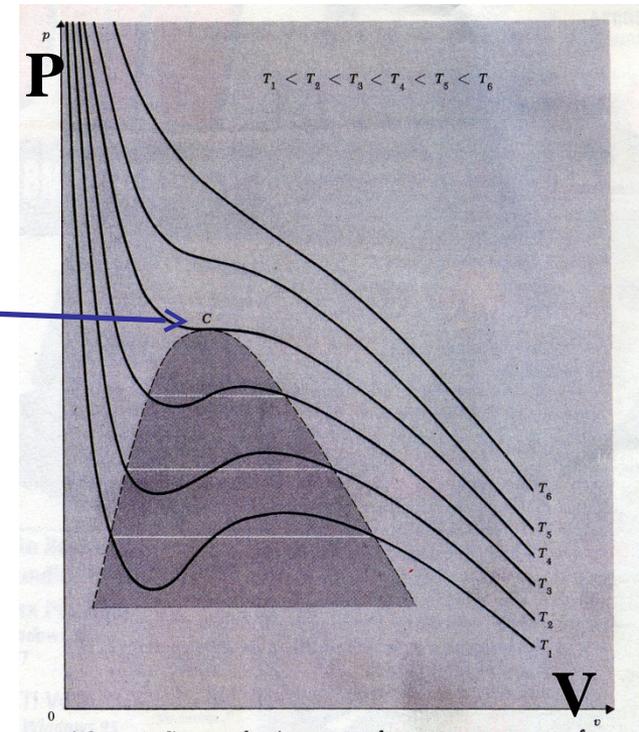
$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} = \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \rho^2} = 0$$



$$\rho_c = \frac{1}{3b}$$

$$p_c = \frac{1}{27} \frac{a}{b^2}$$

$$\frac{kT_c}{Am_{amu}} = \frac{8}{27} \frac{a}{b}$$



F. Reif, "Fundamentals of statistical and thermal physics"

define a characteristic sound speed $c_{s,0}^2 = \frac{p_c}{\rho_c}$ and a characteristic energy $\epsilon_0 = \frac{8}{27} \frac{a}{b}$

Dimensionless VDW EOS (2)

Define: $\tilde{\rho} = \frac{\rho}{\rho_c}$ $\tilde{p} = \frac{p}{p_c}$ $\tilde{T} = \frac{T}{T_c}$ $\tilde{c}_s(\tilde{\rho}) = \frac{c_s(\rho)}{c_{s,0}}$ $\tilde{\epsilon}(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{T}) = \frac{\epsilon(\rho, T)}{\epsilon_0}$

A dimensionless form of the VDW EOS can be rewritten:

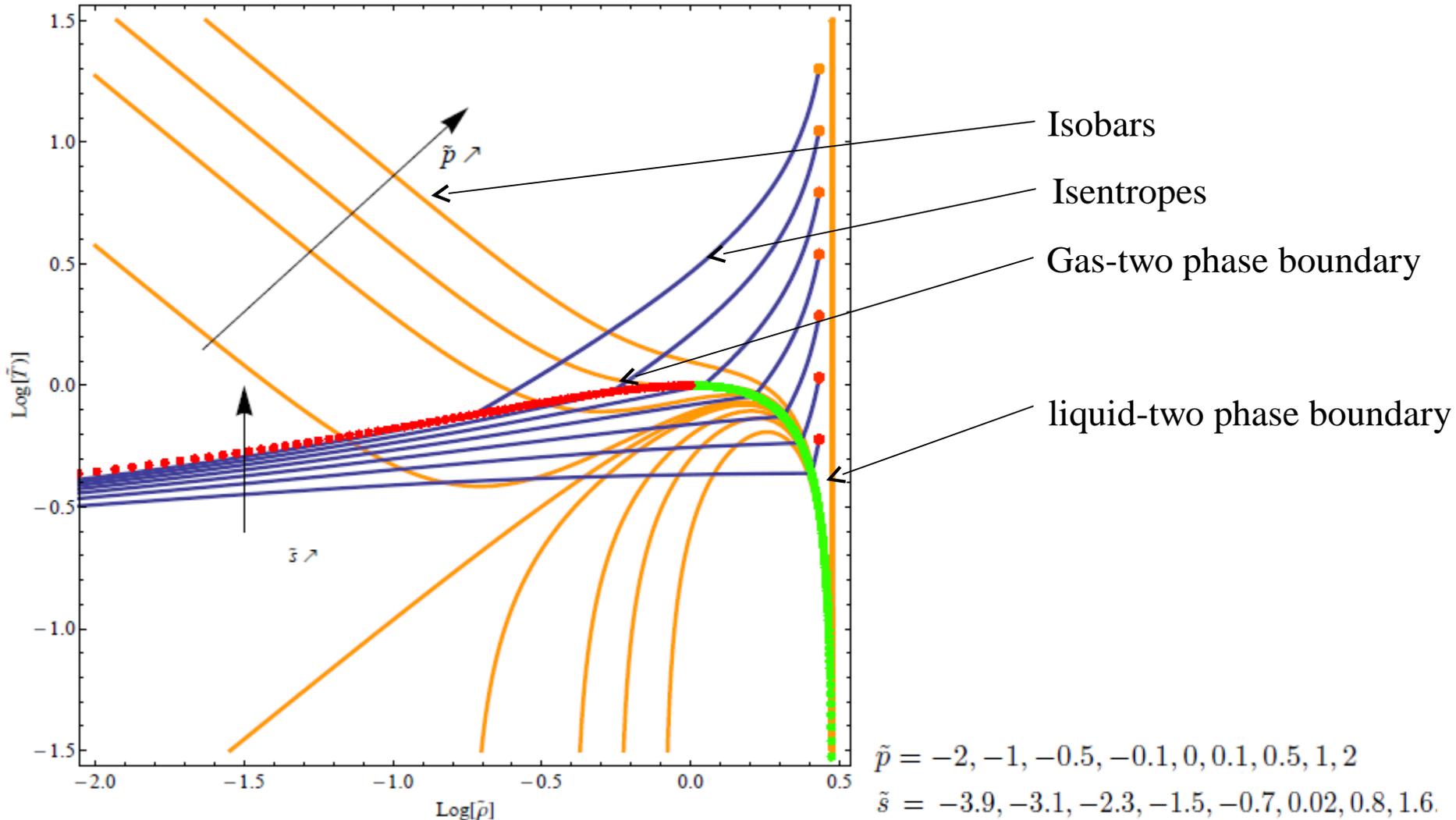
$$\tilde{p} = 8 \frac{\tilde{\rho} \tilde{T}}{3 - \tilde{\rho}} - 3 \tilde{\rho}^2$$

$$\tilde{s} = \frac{s - s_c}{\frac{k}{Am_{amu}}} = \ln\left(\frac{3 - \tilde{\rho}}{2\tilde{\rho}} \tilde{T}^{\frac{3}{2}}\right) \quad \text{where} \quad s_c = S(\rho_c, T_c)$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon} = \frac{3}{2}(\tilde{T} - \frac{9}{12}\tilde{\rho})$$

+ Maxwell Construction

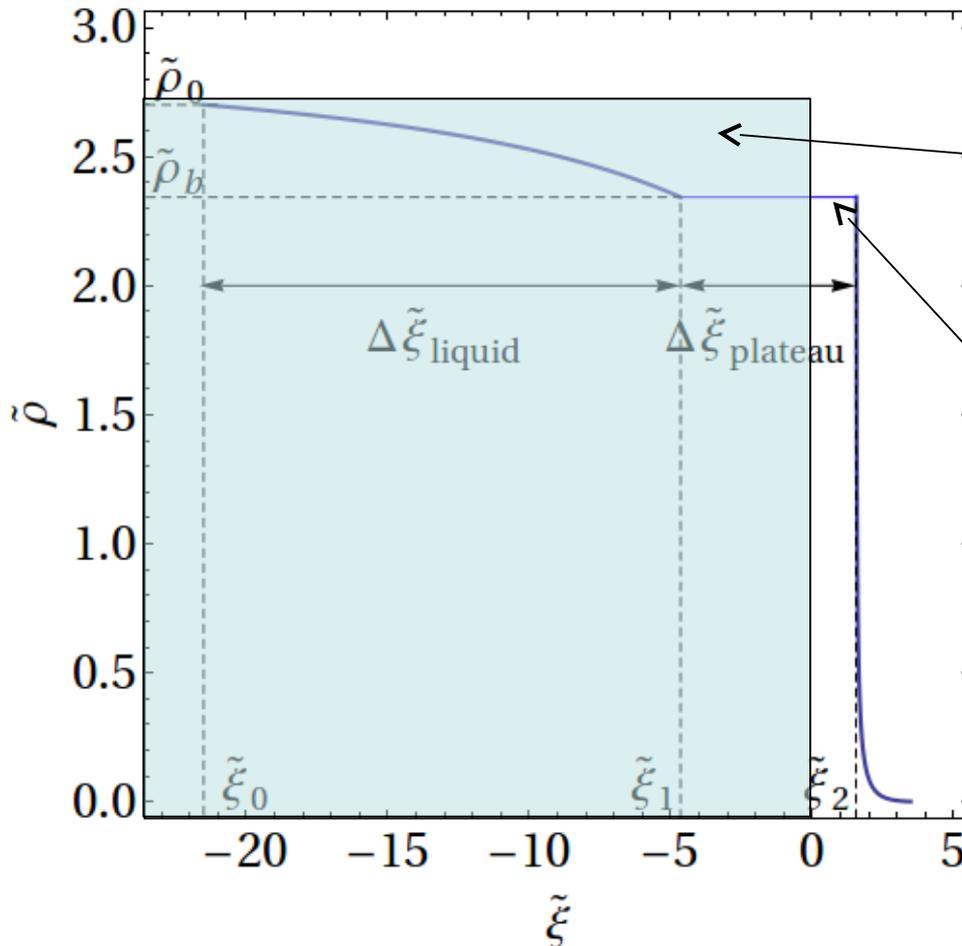
Dimensionless VDW EOS (II) + Maxwell Construction



Results: a universal set of dimensionless curves (I)

Dimensionless hydrodynamics equation: $\tilde{\xi}(\tilde{\rho}) = -\tilde{I}(\tilde{\rho}) - \tilde{c}_s(\tilde{\rho})$

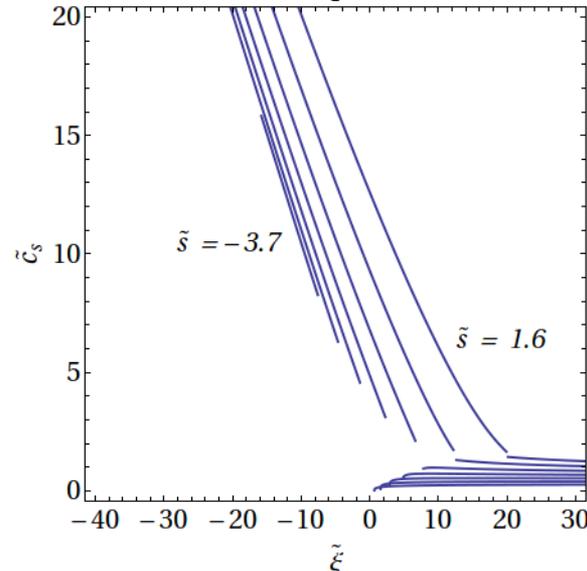
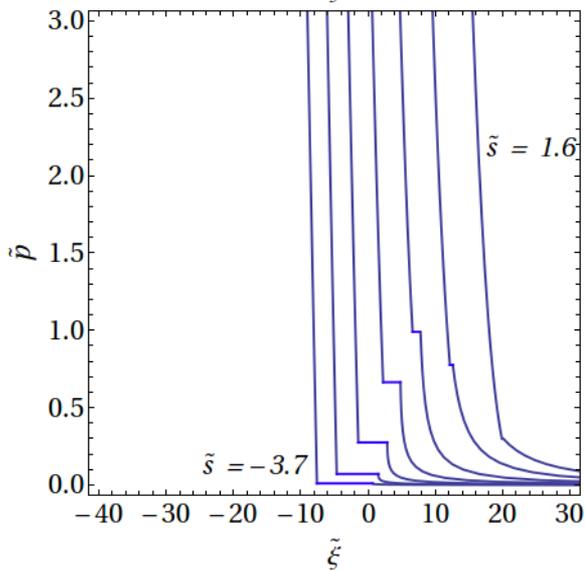
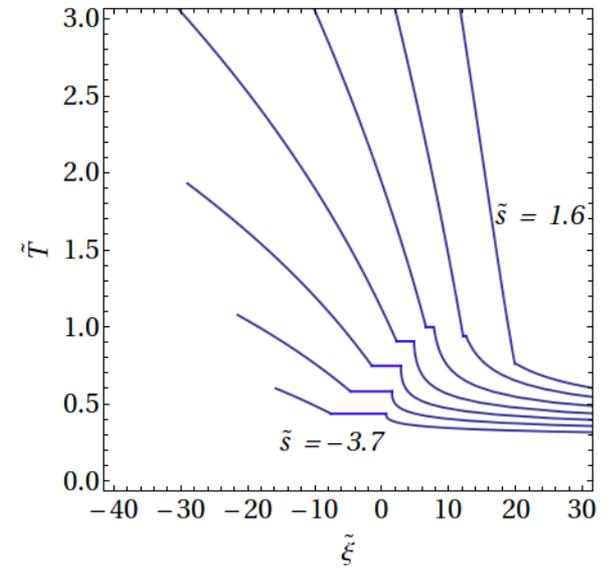
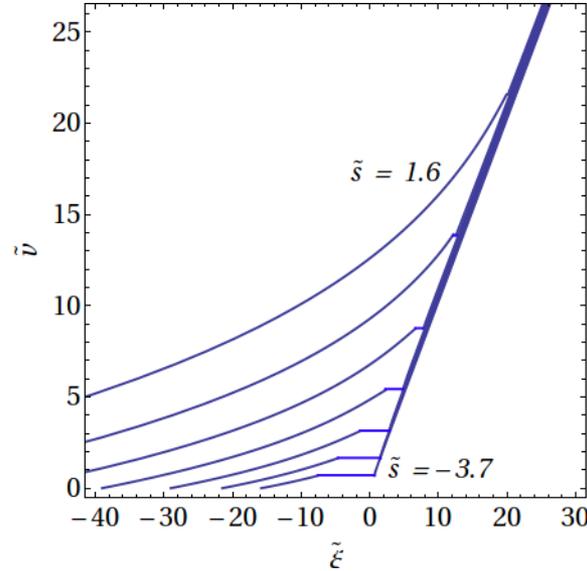
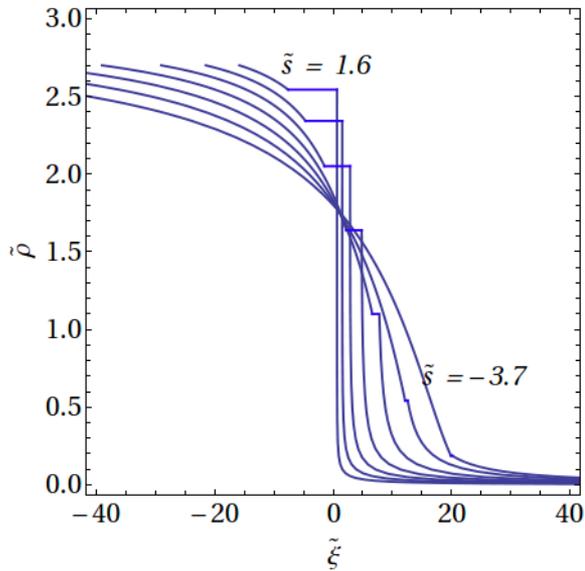
where $\tilde{\xi}(\tilde{\rho}) = \frac{\xi(\tilde{\rho})}{c_{s,0}}$, $\tilde{I}(\tilde{\rho}) = \frac{I(\tilde{\rho})}{c_{s,0}}$ and $\tilde{c}_s(\tilde{\rho}) = \frac{c_s(\tilde{\rho})}{c_{s,0}}$



initial density profile

plateau

Results: a universal set of dimensionless curves (II)



$$\tilde{\rho}_0 = 2.7$$

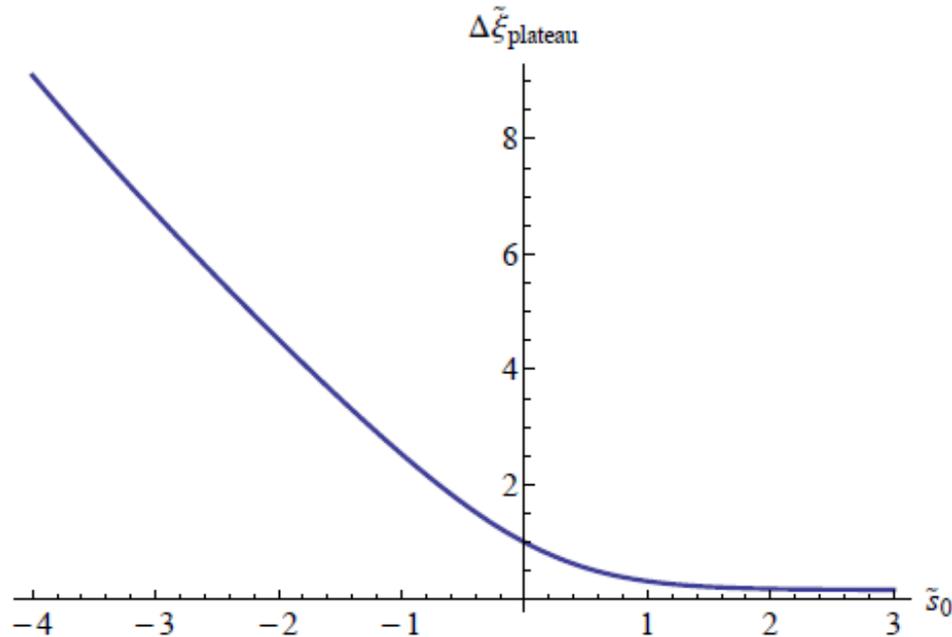
$$\tilde{T}_0 = 0.5, 0.84, 1.43, 2.43, 4.11, 6.97, 11.9, 20$$

$$\tilde{s} = -3.9, -3.1, -2.3, -1.5, -0.7, 0.02, 0.8, 1.6.$$

Results: a universal set of dimensionless curves (III)

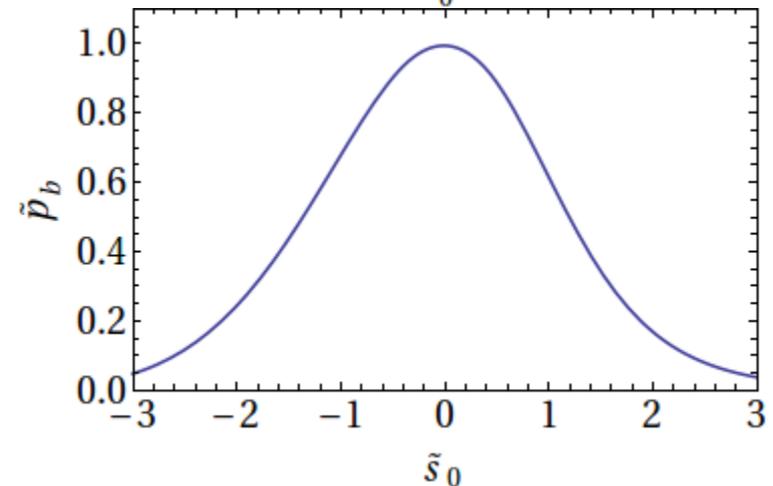
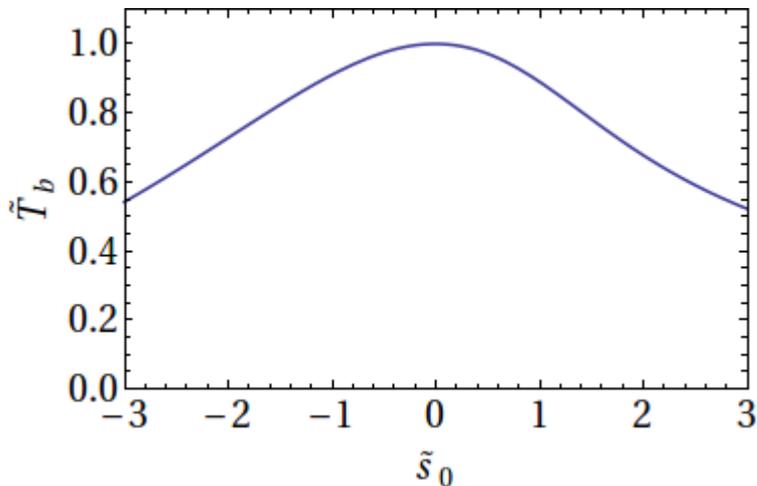
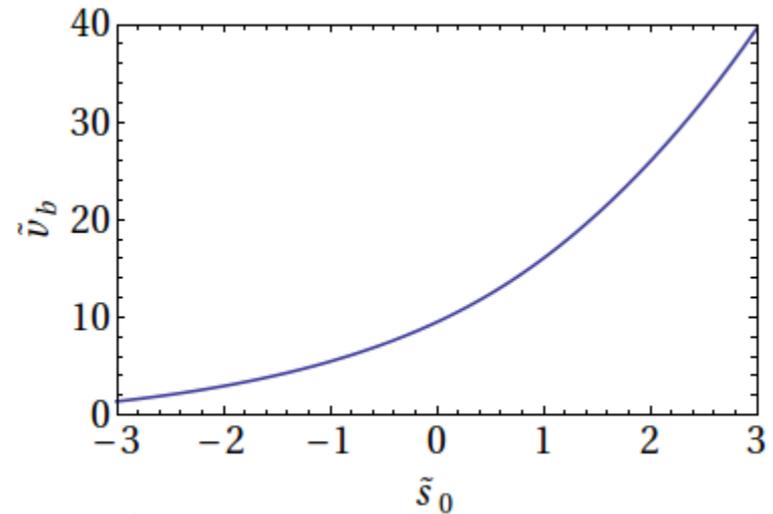
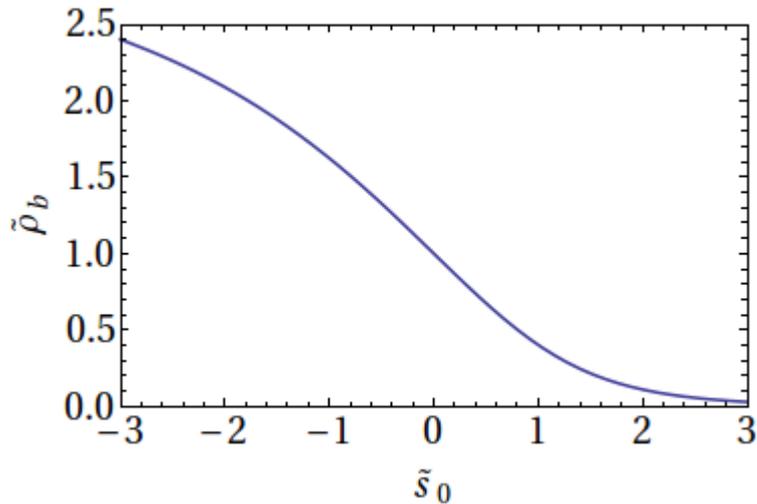
A surprising result:

The length of the plateaus depends **ONLY** on the initial entropy!



Results: a universal set of dimensionless curves (IV)

All the values at the the boundary of the liquid and the two-phase regions depend on the initial entropy.

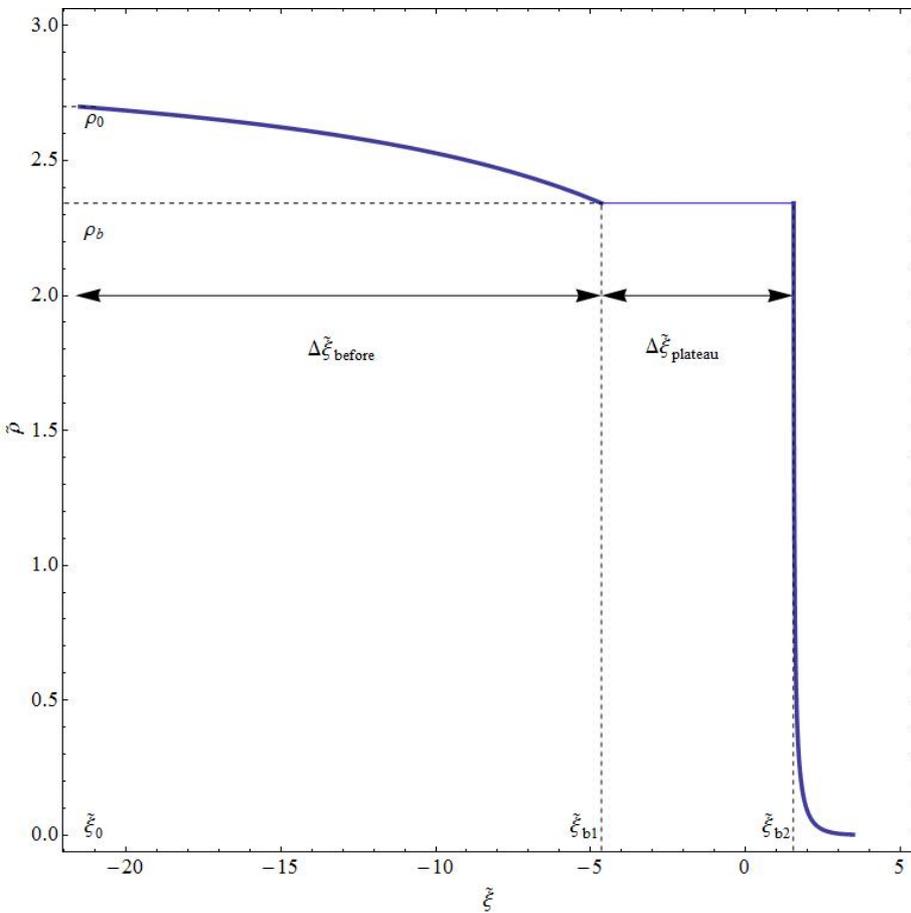


Method determining critical and initial parameters (I)

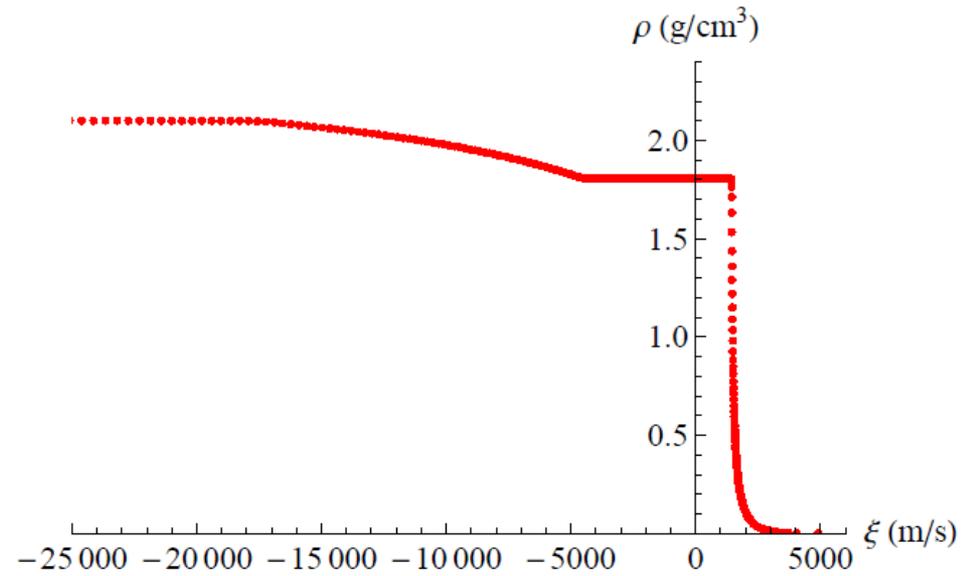
- The dimensionless set of curves are theoretically applicable to any material
- The length of the plateaus in the previous section depends **ONLY** on the initial entropy.

The critical and initial parameters from a single (dimensionful) density profile can be determined.

Method determining critical and initial parameters (II)



Dimensionless



Dimensionful

Method determining critical and initial parameters (III)

A dimensionful density profile matches only ONE dimensionless density profile by multiplying constant.

1. From the dimensionful density profile, we get the two invariants

$$R_\rho = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_b} = \frac{\tilde{\rho}_0}{\tilde{\rho}_b} \quad R_\xi = \frac{\Delta\xi_{plateau}}{\Delta\xi_{before}} = \frac{\Delta\tilde{\xi}_{plateau}}{\Delta\tilde{\xi}_{before}}$$

2. For any couple (R_ρ, R_ξ) , only one solution $(\tilde{\rho}_0, \tilde{s}_0)$ can be found.

3. This provides critical parameters:

$$\rho_c = \frac{\rho_0}{\tilde{\rho}_0}$$

$$kT_c = \frac{8}{3} \left(\frac{\Delta\xi_{plateau}}{\Delta\tilde{\xi}_{plateau}} \right)^2 Am_{amu}$$

4. ...and initial parameters:

$$kT_0 = kT_c \left(\frac{2\tilde{\rho}_0}{3 - \tilde{\rho}_0} e^{\tilde{s}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Robustness of the algorithm

If an offset of ξ_1 is introduced, the relevant calculated parameters change. The following table shows how robust this algorithm is.

T_0	0.5 eV	1 eV	2 eV
$\frac{\partial \rho_c}{\partial \xi_1}$	-0.320136	-0.242898	-0.645116
$\frac{\partial T_c}{\partial \xi_1}$	-3.85929	-3.08899	-6.60853
$\frac{\partial T_0}{\partial \xi_1}$	-3.78751	-4.9355	-4.19571

Note: the fluid velocity v (hence ξ) diverges and a cut-off must be used

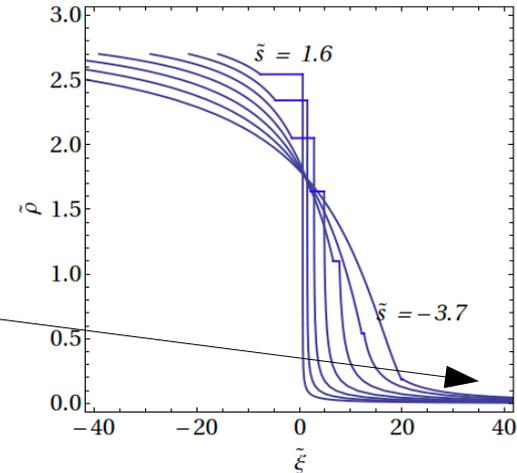
Remember that $v(\rho) = -I(\rho) = - \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho} \frac{c_s(\rho')}{\rho'} d\rho'$

Logically, $\rho \rightarrow 0$.

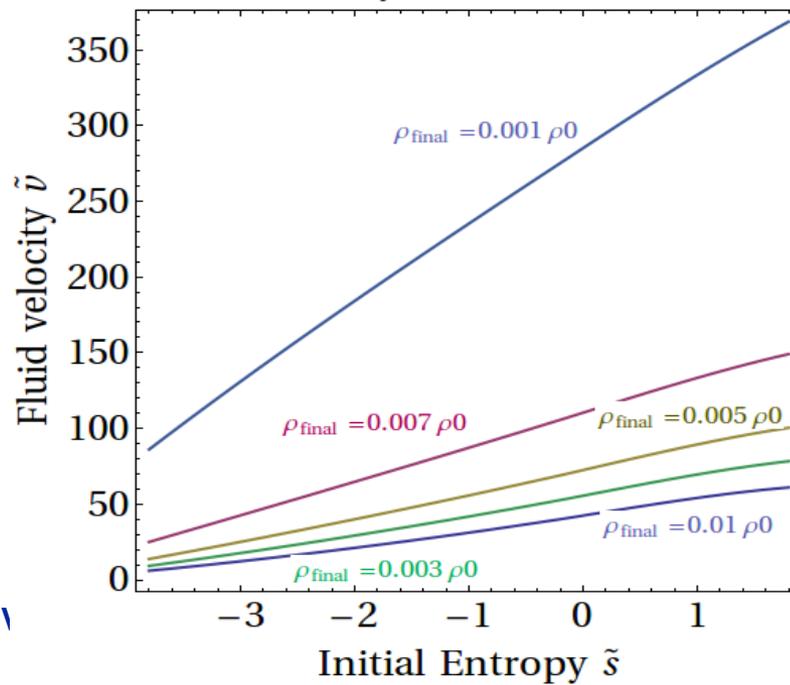
However, $v(\rho) \rightarrow +\infty$ when $\rho \rightarrow 0$.

A cut-off must be introduced such as:

$$v(\rho) = - \int_{\rho_0}^{\rho_{final}} \frac{c_s(\rho')}{\rho'} d\rho'$$



Final velocity with different cutoff



Conclusions

The universal set of dimensionless curves give us insight in experimental results.

We developed a method to find critical and initial parameters from a single density snapshot. This method is applicable for a snapshot of velocity profile, temperature profile or pressure profile.

The next step would be to study a 1D slab geometry (and not a 1D semi-infinite geometry). Two rarefaction waves from each side of the slab would meet and overlap, giving birth to complex waves.