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Abstract

We consider traffic flows described by conservation laws. We study a 2:1 junction (with two incoming roads and one outgoing road) or a 1:2 junction (with one incoming road and two outgoing roads). At the mesoscopic level, the priority law at the junction is given by traffic lights, which are periodic in time and the traffic can also be slowed down by periodic in time flux-limiters.

After a long time, and at large scale in space, we intuitively expect an effective junction condition to emerge. Precisely, we perform a rescaling in space and time, to pass from the mesoscopic scale to the macroscopic one. At the limit of the rescaling, we show rigorous homogenization of the problem and identify the effective junction condition, which belongs to a general class of germs (in the terminology of [6, 21, 37]). The identification of this germ and of a characteristic subgerm which determines the whole germ, is the first key result of the paper.

The second key result of the paper is the construction of a family of correctors whose values at infinity are related to each element of the characteristic subgerm. This construction is indeed explicit at the level of some mixed Hamilton-Jacobi equations for concave Hamiltonians (i.e. fluxes). The explicit solutions are found in the spirit of representation formulas for optimal control problems.

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1 Introduction

In this section we introduce the problem and the main notations, assumptions and results of the paper. We start with a foreword in which we explain the goal of the paper. Then we introduce the notions of germs and our two main models (mesoscopic and macroscopic). We give our main results and compare them with the literature. We finally describe the organization of the paper.

1.1 Foreword

The goal of the paper is to understand and to justify effective junction conditions for macroscopic models of traffic flows arising by homogenization of mesoscopic models. We concentrate here on junctions involving two incoming roads and a single outgoing one (referred later on as 2:1 junctions), or the opposite: one incoming road and two outgoing ones (referred as 1:2 junctions). On each road, the equation satisfied by the density is a scalar conservation law of the form

$$\partial_t \rho + \partial_x (f(\rho)) = 0,$$

where the concave flux function f can depend on the road. At the junction point we require of course a Rankine-Hugoniot condition, as well as relations between the incoming and outgoing fluxes, which define what is called a germ. For the mesoscopic model, the germ is an oscillating function of time, which can be interpreted as periodic in time traffic lights (or more generally flux limiters). For instance, for the 1:2

junction, traffic lights regulate the traffic, dispatching the vehicles in one of the two exit branches. For 2:1 junction, the traffic lights give the priority rules.

Looking at long time behavior and on large space scale, we show that the oscillating germ for the mesoscopic model homogenizes in an effective (and homogeneous) germ for the macroscopic model. On the branches, the PDEs satisfied by the densities are the same for the macroscopic model and the mesoscopic model; only the junction condition (the germ) changes. Our homogenization procedure naturally introduces a general class of germs for conservation laws on 1:2 and 2:1 junctions. The guess and the study of those germs (Theorem 2.1) is the first key contribution of this paper. The second key contribution is the rigorous justification of the homogenization by the construction of suitable correctors (Theorem 1.7 for 2:1 junctions and Theorem 1.4 for 1:2 junctions).

For the mesoscopic model, we manage to reduce the junction condition to a 1:1 junction, involving at each time one incoming road and one outgoing road only. 1:1 junctions are well understood and justified [4, 6, 7, 8, 27, 41, 42]; they are known to arise by homogenization of microscopic models of follow-the-leader type [13, 14, 20, 22, 23, 24] and there is an equivalence between the approach through the germ theory for 1:1 junctions and the one using Hamilton-Jacobi (HJ) equations on such junctions [12]. We will make an extensive use of this equivalence (still in the case 1:1) in the construction of correctors. Our new junction conditions (for 2:1 and 1:2 junctions) arise rigorously by mixing these very natural 1:1 junctions. Let us underline that the mesoscopic models we consider possess an L^1 -contraction property, and, as expected, this is also the case for our limit models after homogenization. Note however that, in the literature, there exists some junction models which do not possess this L^1 -contraction property¹.

For our mesoscopic models, we use the approach through germs developed in [6]. This approach, which relies on the notion of trace developed by Panov [38] (see also [44]), consists in requiring that the trace of the solution at the junction belongs to a set, the germ. As recalled in Subsection 1.3, the fact that the germ is “maximal” ensures the uniqueness of the solution to the conservation law and its stability. Existence, on the other hand, comes from the “completeness” of this germ.

As explained above, the paper partially relies (for the construction of correctors) on the formulation of traffic flows in terms of Hamilton-Jacobi on a 1:1 junction. HJ equation on junctions have been discussed in many works [1, 2, 11, 31, 34, 35, 39]; see also the recent monograph [9]. The central notion of flux limiters, used throughout this paper, has been developed in [31]. Questions of homogenization in this framework are discussed in [3, 13, 31, 22, 23, 24]. In contrast with the approach developed here, these papers rely on a comparison principle. Homogenization of scalar conservation laws has been less considered in the literature: see [18, 19, 40], and, as far as we know, never for problems on a junction.

Now a few words about the techniques of proof are in order. Let us first underline that, for technical reasons, we mainly work throughout the paper in the case of 1:2 junctions; the maybe more interesting problem of junctions of type 2:1 is handled by a simple change of variables in Subsection 4.2. Second, and in contrast with most homogenization results we are aware of on the topic and quoted above, the homogenization does not rely directly on a comparison principle for some Hamilton-Jacobi formulation on the junction: indeed the limit problem *cannot* naturally be formulated in terms of pure HJ equations with some general comparison principle at the HJ level.

The homogenization must therefore be proved directly at the level of the scalar conservation laws. The construction of correctors for each element of the homogenized germ seems to be a difficult task in general. For this reason we first show the existence of a subset of the germ, called a characteristic subgerm, which determines the whole germ (Lemma 1.5). This characteristic subgerm will be then used to guide the construction of correctors. Indeed, to each element of the characteristic subgerm, we associate a corrector whose values at infinity are given by the values of this element (Theorem 1.6). This construction uses explicit solutions for suitable HJ equations with concave Hamiltonians in the flavor of the Lax-Oleinik formula. The explicit solutions are guessed in the spirit of representation formulas in optimal control theory on junctions [31]. The proof of homogenization is then achieved thanks to Kato’s inequality and germ’s theory developed in [6, 37].

Note that the mesoscopic model can itself be thought as the limit of a microscopic model taking the

¹For instance traffic flows on 1:2 junctions in which the positive proportion of the traffic entering each outgoing road is fixed, are never L^1 -contractions.

form of a follow-the-leader model on a junction, as discussed in [16] for instance. However the rigorous derivation of the macroscopic model from a microscopic one seems a very challenging question. Another open problem is the analysis of junctions involving four branches or more, which seems to require new ideas.

1.2 Standing notation and assumptions

The following assumptions are in force throughout the paper.

Let $\mathcal{R}^0 = (-\infty, 0) \times \{0\}$ be the incoming branch, $\mathcal{R}^j = (0, \infty) \times \{j\}$ for $j = 1, 2$ being the outgoing ones. We consider the set $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{j=0}^2 \mathcal{R}^j \cup \{0\}$ with the topology of three half lines glued together at the origin 0.

Let $a^j < b^j < c^j$ for $j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$. We make the following assumptions on the fluxes for some $\delta > 0$:

$$\text{For } j \in \{0, 1, 2\}, \text{ the flux } f^j : [a^j, c^j] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is of class } C^2, \text{ with } (f^j)'' \leq -\delta < 0 \text{ on } [a^j, c^j], \\ \text{increasing on } [a^j, b^j] \text{ and decreasing on } [b^j, c^j], \text{ with } f^j(a^j) = f^j(c^j) = 0. \quad (1)$$

We set

$$f_{\max}^j := \max_{[a^j, c^j]} f^j = f^j(b^j) > 0 \quad (2)$$

and define the nondecreasing envelope of f^j

$$f^{j,+}(p) := \begin{cases} f^j(p) & \text{for } p \in [a^j, b^j] \\ f^j(b^j) & \text{for } p \in [b^j, c^j] \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

and its nonincreasing envelope

$$f^{j,-}(p) := \begin{cases} f^j(b^j) & \text{for } p \in [a^j, b^j] \\ f^j(p) & \text{for } p \in [b^j, c^j]. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Throughout the paper, the set I^1 (respectively I^2) denotes the time sets on which the branch 1 (resp. the branch 2) is active in the mesoscopic model. The sets I^1 and I^2 form a partition of $\mathbb{R}$, each I^k , $k = 1, 2$, being periodic and of period 1 and locally the union of a finite number of intervals:

$$I^1 \cup I^2 = \mathbb{R}, \quad I^1 \cap I^2 = \emptyset, \\ I^j \text{ is periodic of period 1 and consists locally in a finite number of intervals, } j = 1, 2. \quad (5)$$

The flux limiter in the mesoscopic model is a time dependent map $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that

$$A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is piecewise constant, periodic of period 1 and such that} \\ 0 \leq A(t) \leq \begin{cases} \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^1\} & \text{on } I^1, \\ \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^2\} & \text{on } I^2. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

1.3 Entropy pairs and germs

We now introduce the notion of germs, following [6, 37]. Germs define the junction conditions and play a central role in this paper. Let us recall that the pair (entropy, entropy flux) is given, for $p, \bar{p} \in \mathbb{R}$, by

$$\eta(\bar{p}, p) = |p - \bar{p}|, \quad q^j(\bar{p}, p) = \text{sign}(p - \bar{p})(f^j(p) - f^j(\bar{p})).$$

We define the box

$$Q := [a^0, c^0] \times [a^1, c^1] \times [a^2, c^2] \quad (7)$$

and the subset of Q satisfying Rankine-Hugoniot condition

$$Q^{RH} := \{P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q, \quad f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2)\} \quad (8)$$

Definition 1.1. (dissipation, germ, maximality)

i) (Dissipation)

For $P = (p^0, p^1, p^2)$, $\bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2) \in Q$, we define the dissipation by

$$D(\bar{P}, P) := q^0(\bar{p}^0, p^0) - \{q^1(\bar{p}^1, p^1) + q^2(\bar{p}^2, p^2)\} = IN - OUT$$

ii) (Germ)

Consider a set $G \subset Q$. We say that G is a germ (for dissipation D) if

$$\begin{cases} G \subset Q^{RH} \\ D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } \bar{P}, P \in G \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(Rankine-Hugoniot)} \\ \text{(dissipation)} \end{array}$$

iii) (Maximal set)

Let $G \subset Q$ be a set. We say that G is maximal (for the dissipation D relatively to the box Q) if for every $P \in Q$, we have

$$(D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } \bar{P} \in G) \implies P \in G.$$

1.4 The mesoscopic problem

We are interested in a problem with one incoming branch and two outgoing ones; a periodic traffic light regulates the traffic, dispatching the vehicles in one of the two exit branches, slowing down the traffic or stopping it at the junction. On the time-intervals I^1 , cars coming from road 0 can enter road 1 only, while on the time-intervals I^2 cars coming from road 0 can enter road 2 only. The traffic can also be limited on the junction by the flux limiter A , which is time dependent, but piecewise constant. For instance, time intervals on which $A(t) = 0$ correspond to periods where the traffic light stops completely the traffic at the junction.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{traffic from branch 0 to branch 1 with limiter } A(t), \\ \text{no traffic entering in branch 2} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{on the time-interval } I^1,$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{traffic from branch 0 to branch 2 with limiter } A(t), \\ \text{no traffic entering in branch 1} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{on the time-intervals } I^2.$$

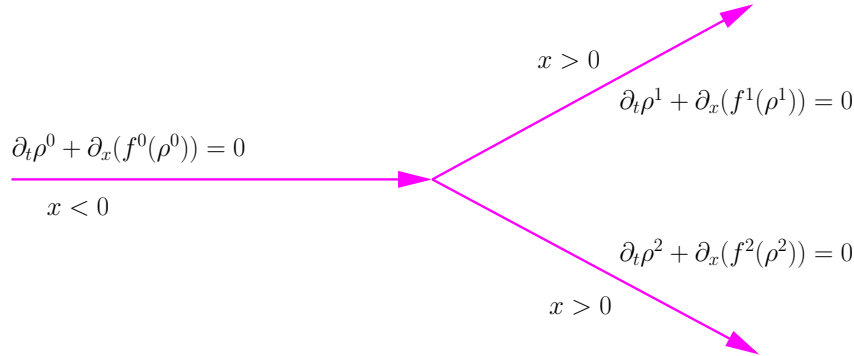


Figure 1: Divergent 1:2 junction

Let ρ^j ($j = 0, 1, 2$) be the density of vehicles. Then $\rho = (\rho^0, \rho^1, \rho^2)$ solves

$$\begin{array}{lll} (i) & \rho^j \in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (ii) & \partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^j)) = 0 & \text{on } (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (iii) & (\rho^0(t, 0^-), \rho^1(t, 0^+), \rho^2(t, 0^+)) \in \mathcal{G}(t) & \text{for a.e. } t \in (0, \infty), \end{array} \quad (9)$$

where the time dependent germ $t \mapsto \mathcal{G}(t)$ is the piecewise constant set-valued map given by

$$\mathcal{G}(t) = \mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}(t) \quad \text{on } I^k, \quad k = 1, 2, \quad (10)$$

and

$$\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1}(t) = \left\{ P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q, \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} f^2(p^2) = 0 \\ \min(A(t), f^{0,+}(p^0), f^{1,-}(p^1)) = f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) \end{array} \right. \right\}, \quad (11)$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_2}(t) = \left\{ P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q, \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} f^1(p^1) = 0 \\ \min(A(t), f^{0,+}(p^0), f^{2,-}(p^2)) = f^0(p^0) = f^2(p^2) \end{array} \right. \right\}. \quad (12)$$

Recall that the assumption on the time intervals I^k , $k = 1, 2$, and the flux limiter A are given in (5) and (6) respectively. The notation $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}$ is justified in Section 2 below, where we also explain that the $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}(t)$ are maximal germs for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$ (Lemma 2.2). The germs $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1}(t)$ and $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_2}(t)$ are very natural from a traffic flow point of view. Indeed, during the time-interval I^1 (for instance), the flux on the road 2 is null and we consider only a 1:1 junction between the incoming road 0 and the outgoing road 1. In this situation, the description of the germ is well understood and take the above form (see [13] for the derivation of the junction condition in terms of Hamilton-Jacobi equations and [12] for a reformulation in term of scalar conservation laws). Let us recall that, for any $j = 0, 1, 2$, the L^∞ map ρ^j , being a solution to the scalar conservation law $\partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^j)) = 0$, has a strong trace (see Theorem A.1) at $x = 0$ in the sense of Panov [38], because the fluxes are strongly concave in the sense of (1).

We say that a function v is a standard Krushkov entropy solution of $\partial_t v + \partial_x(f(v)) = 0$ on $(0, +\infty)_t \times (0, +\infty)_x$ with initial condition $\bar{v}$, if for every $C_c^1([0, +\infty)_t \times (0, +\infty)_x)$ function $\varphi \geq 0$, we have

$$\int_{(0, +\infty)_t} \int_{(0, +\infty)_x} |v - c| \varphi_t + \{\text{sign}(v - c)\} \cdot (f(v) - f(c)) \varphi_x + \int_{\{0\} \times (0, +\infty)_x} |\bar{v} - c| \varphi \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } c \in \mathbb{R}$$

The next lemma states that equation (9) is well-posed and defines a semigroup of contraction in L^1 .

Lemma 1.2. (Existence, uniqueness, L^1 -contraction on the junction)

Assume (1), (5) and (6). Given an initial condition $\bar{\rho} = (\bar{\rho}^j)_{j=0,1,2}$ in $L^\infty(\mathcal{R})$ with $\bar{\rho}^j \in [a^j, c^j]$ a.e., there exists a unique entropy solution to (9), in the sense that ρ^j is a standard Krushkov entropy solution of $\partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^j)) = 0$ on $(0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j$ with $\rho^j(0, \cdot) = \bar{\rho}^j$ a.e., and such that the traces $(\rho^0(t, 0^-), \rho^1(t, 0^+), \rho^2(t, 0^+))$ belong to the set $\mathcal{G}(t)$ for a.e. $t \in (0, \infty)$.

In addition, if ρ is a solution to (9) associated with the initial condition $\bar{\rho}$ and ρ_1 is a solution to (9) associated with the initial condition $\bar{\rho}_1$, then Kato's inequality holds:

$$\sum_{j=0}^2 \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathcal{R}^j} |\rho^j - \rho_1^j| \phi_t^j + \left\{ \text{sign}(\rho^j - \rho_1^j) \right\} \cdot (f^j(\rho^j) - f^j(\rho_1^j)) \partial_x \phi^j + \sum_{j=0}^2 \int_{\mathcal{R}^j} |\bar{\rho}^j - \bar{\rho}_1^j| \phi^j(0, x) \geq 0 \quad (13)$$

for any continuous nonnegative test function $\phi : [0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with a compact support and such that $\phi^j := \phi|_{[0, +\infty) \times (\mathcal{R}^j \cup \{0\})}$ is C^1 for any $j = 0, 1, 2$.

The proof of Lemma 1.2 is postponed to Subsection 4.1. Let us underline that equation (9) almost fits the usual existence and uniqueness framework of conservation laws on a junction, as discussed in [6], as only one outgoing branch is active at any time.

1.5 The macroscopic problem

We expect the limit problem to be of the same form as the mesoscopic problem, but with an autonomous germ $\mathcal{G}$. The limit scalar conservation law should take the form:

$$\begin{array}{lll} (i) & \rho^j \in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \\ (ii) & \partial_t \rho^j + (f^j(\rho^j))_x = 0 & \text{on } (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \\ (iii) & (\rho^0(t, 0), \rho^1(t, 0), \rho^2(t, 0)) \in \mathcal{G} & \text{for a.e. } t \in (0, \infty), \end{array} \quad (14)$$

Here the set $\mathcal{G}$ is the limit germ and is the main unknown of our problem. We now define the notion of solution for equation (14), following [21, 37].

Definition 1.3. (Entropy solution of (14))

Given a maximal germ $\mathcal{G} \subset Q$ and an initial condition $\bar{\rho} \in L^\infty(\mathcal{R})$ such that $\bar{\rho}^j \in [a^j, c^j]$ a.e. for $j = 0, 1, 2$, we say that a map $\rho \in L^\infty((0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R})$ is an entropy solution of (14) if, for any $j = 0, 1, 2$, ρ^j is a Kruzhkov entropy solution of (14)-(ii) on $\mathcal{R}^j$, if its trace at $t = 0$ is $\bar{\rho}$ and if, its trace $\rho(\cdot, 0) = (\rho^0(\cdot, 0^-), \rho^1(\cdot, 0^+), \rho^2(\cdot, 0^+))$ at $x = 0$ belongs to $\mathcal{G}$:

$$\rho(t, 0) \in \mathcal{G} \quad \text{a.e. } t \geq 0.$$

Following [21, 37], and because the germ $\mathcal{G}$ is maximal, the last condition in Definition 1.3 is equivalent to the following entropy inequality:

$$\sum_{j=0}^2 \left\{ \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathcal{R}^j} \eta(u^j - \rho^j) \partial_t \phi^j + q^j(u^j, \rho^j) \partial_x \phi^j + \int_{\mathcal{R}^j} \eta(u^j, \bar{\rho}^j) \phi^j(0, x) \right\} \geq 0$$

for any $u = (u^j) \in \mathcal{G}$ and any continuous nonnegative test function $\phi : [0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with a compact support and such that $\phi^j := \phi|_{[0, \infty) \times (\mathcal{R}^j \cup \{0\})}$ is C^1 for any $j = 0, 1, 2$.

Let us also point out that the entropy solution ρ of (14) is in $C^0([0, \infty), L^1_{loc}(\mathcal{R}))$: this is an easy consequence of the classical continuity in L^1_{loc} of bounded entropy solution of scalar conservation laws on the line (see [17, Theorem 6.2.2, Lemma 6.3.3]) and of finite speed of propagation arguments.

1.6 Main result: the homogenization

We are interested in the homogenization of (9). Namely, given an initial condition $\bar{\rho}_0$, we want to understand the behavior as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ of the solution $\rho^\epsilon = (\rho^{\epsilon,0}, \rho^{\epsilon,1}, \rho^{\epsilon,2})$ to

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & \rho^{\epsilon,j} \in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on} \quad & (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (ii) \quad & \partial_t \rho^{\epsilon,j} + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^{\epsilon,j})) = 0 & \text{on} \quad & (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (iii) \quad & (\rho^{\epsilon,0}(t, 0), \rho^{\epsilon,1}(t, 0), \rho^{\epsilon,2}(t, 0)) \in \mathcal{G}(t/\epsilon) & \text{for a.e.} \quad & t \in (0, \infty), \\ (iv) \quad & \rho^\epsilon(0, \cdot) = \bar{\rho}_0 & \text{on} \quad & \{0\} \times \mathcal{R}, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Our main homogenization result is the following:

Theorem 1.4. (Homogenization of the 1:2 junction)

Assume that (1), (5) and (6) hold. Then there exists a maximal germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}} \subset Q$, such that the following holds true. Let the initial data $\bar{\rho}_0 = (\bar{\rho}_0^i) \in L^\infty(\mathcal{R})$ be such that $\bar{\rho}_0^i \in [a^i, c^i]$ a.e. for $i = 0, 1, 2$. Then the solution ρ^ϵ of (15) converges in $L^1_{loc}([0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R})$ to the unique entropy solution ρ to

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & \rho^j \in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on} \quad & (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (ii) \quad & \partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^j)) = 0 & \text{on} \quad & (0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (iii) \quad & (\rho^0(t, 0), \rho^1(t, 0), \rho^2(t, 0)) \in \mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}} & \text{for a.e.} \quad & t \in (0, \infty), \\ (iv) \quad & \rho(0, \cdot) = \bar{\rho}_0 & \text{on} \quad & \{0\} \times \mathcal{R}, \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Let us point out that Theorem 1.4 itself implies the existence of a solution to (16), which is not obvious otherwise. This shows in particular that the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ is complete in the terminology of [6, 37]. The germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ is described in Subsection 2.1.3.

In order to prove the theorem, we need to build suitable correctors of the equation, associated to elements of the germ. For this, the point is that we will not have to do it for all elements of the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$, but only for a subset of it (which will indeed determine the whole germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$, as we will see later on). This subset, denoted by $E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$, is called a characteristic subgerm and is given in the following expression (where the continuous, nondecreasing maps $p^0 \rightarrow \hat{p}_{p^0}^j$ for $j = 1, 2$ are introduced in (35)):

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\bar{\Lambda}} := \quad & \left\{ (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q^{RH} \text{ such that one of the following conditions holds:} \right. \\ & (i) \ p^j = \hat{p}_{p^0}^j, \ j = 1, 2, \ f^0(p^0) = f^{0,+}(p^0) \leq \int_0^1 A(t) dt, \\ & (ii) \ p^2 = c^2, \ f^0(p^0) = f^{0,-}(p^0) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{1}_{I^1}(t) A(t) dt = f^1(p^1) = f^{1,+}(p^1), \\ & (iii) \ p^1 = c^1, \ f^0(p^0) = f^{0,-}(p^0) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{1}_{I^2}(t) A(t) dt = f^2(p^2) = f^{2,+}(p^2), \\ & (iv) \ p^j = c^j, \ j = 0, 1, 2 \left. \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Case (i) corresponds to a situation in which the traffic is fluid on all branches at the macroscopic level, and fluid on the exit branches at the mesoscopic level. In case (ii), the outgoing branch 2 is completely congested and the traffic is stopped on this branch. The traffic reduces to a classical 1:1 junction, the only difficulty being that the traffic is congested at the macroscopic level on the incoming branch and fluid (but saturated by the flux limiter A) on the outgoing branch 1. Case (iii) is symmetric, exchanging the role of the outgoing roads. The last case, Case (iv), is particularly simple since it corresponds to a situation in which the traffic is completely congested (and the velocity of the traffic is null everywhere).

The following lemma states that the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$ is a sort of closure of $E_{\bar{\lambda}}$:

Lemma 1.5. ($E_{\bar{\lambda}}$ generates $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$)

Assume that (1), (5) and (6) hold. We have $E_{\bar{\lambda}} \subset \mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$ and $E_{\bar{\lambda}}$ generates $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$: namely, for any $U \in Q$,

$$\left(D(U, \bar{U}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \bar{U} \in E_{\bar{\lambda}} \right) \implies U \in \mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}.$$

The two main ingredients of the proof of Theorem 1.4 are the correct guess of the effective germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$ (with its generation property given in Lemma 1.5) and the construction of a corrector for each element of $E_{\bar{\lambda}}$:

Theorem 1.6. (Existence of correctors with prescribed values at infinity)

Assume that (1), (5) and (6) hold. For any $p = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in E_{\bar{\lambda}}$, there exists an entropy solution $u_p = (u_p^i) \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{R})$ of (9) which is 1-periodic in time and a constant $C > 0$ such that for all $M \geq C$

$$\|u_p^0 - p^0\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, -M))} + \|u_p^i - p^i\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq CM^{-1}, \quad i = 1, 2. \quad (18)$$

If, in addition, p is as in (i) in the definition (17) of $E_{\bar{\lambda}}$, then

$$u_p^0 = p^0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, -C).$$

The definition of the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\lambda}}$, the proof of its maximality as well as the proof of Lemma 1.5 are given in Subsection 2.1.3. The proofs of Theorem 1.4 (convergence part) and Theorem 1.6 are postponed to the last section (Subsection 4.1).

1.7 Homogenization for 2:1 junctions

We complete the section by the analysis of homogenization on 2:1 junctions: as already pointed out, this case is more realistic in terms of applications. The junction is now described by the two incoming branches $\check{\mathcal{R}}^j = (-\infty, 0) \times \{j\}$, $j = 1, 2$, and the outgoing branch $\check{\mathcal{R}}^0 = (0, \infty) \times \{0\}$. We set $\check{\mathcal{R}} = \bigcup_{j=0}^2 \check{\mathcal{R}}^j \cup \{0\}$.

The mesoscopic model we are interested in concerns a junction with a periodic traffic light which regulates the traffic. As before the time-interval $\mathbb{R}$ is split into the 1-periodic sets I^1 and I^2 , each I^k consisting locally in a finite number of intervals. On the time-intervals I^1 , only cars coming from road 1 are allowed to enter the junction and the road 0, while on the time-intervals I^2 only cars coming from road 2 can enter road 0. The traffic is also limited on the junction by a flux limiter $A = A(t)$. To summarize:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{traffic from branch 1 to branch 0 with flux limiter } A(t), \\ \text{no traffic exiting branch 2} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{on the time intervals } I^1,$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{traffic from branch 2 to branch 0 with flux limiter } A(t), \\ \text{no traffic exiting branch 1} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{on the time intervals } I^2$$

(see figure 2). We fix $\epsilon > 0$ a scaling parameter. In this model the scaled densities $\check{\rho}^\epsilon = (\check{\rho}^{\epsilon,0}, \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,1}, \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,2})$ solve the conservation law:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,j} \in [\check{a}^j, \check{c}^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, +\infty) \times \check{\mathcal{R}}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ \partial_t \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,j} + \partial_x (\check{f}^j(\check{\rho}^{\epsilon,j})) = 0 & \text{on } (0, +\infty) \times \check{\mathcal{R}}^j, \quad j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (\check{\rho}^{\epsilon,0}(t, 0^+), \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,1}(t, 0^-), \check{\rho}^{\epsilon,2}(t, 0^-)) \in \check{\mathcal{G}}(t/\epsilon) & \text{for a.e. } t \in (0, +\infty), \\ \check{\rho}^\epsilon(0, \cdot) = \check{\rho} & \text{on } \{0\} \times \check{\mathcal{R}}. \end{array} \right. \quad (19)$$

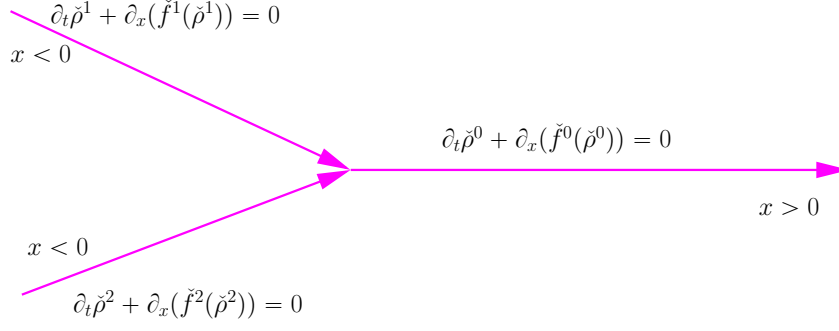


Figure 2: Convergent 2:1 junction

The fluxes $\check{f}^j$ satisfy condition (1) with $\check{a}^j, \check{b}^j, \check{c}^j$ in place of a^j, b^j, c^j , and $\check{f}^{j,\pm}$ are defined similarly as in (3), (4). The time periodic maximal germ $\check{\mathcal{G}}$ of period equal to 1 is given by

$$\check{\mathcal{G}}(t) := \begin{cases} \check{\mathcal{G}}^1(t) & \text{on } I^1 \\ \check{\mathcal{G}}^2(t) & \text{on } I^2 \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

and

$$\check{\mathcal{G}}^1(t) = \{(p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q, \check{f}^2(p^2) = 0, \min\{A(t), \check{f}^{1,+}(p^1), \check{f}^{0,-}(p^0)\} = \check{f}^1(p^1) = \check{f}^0(p^0)\},$$

$$\check{\mathcal{G}}^2(t) = \{(p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q, \check{f}^1(p^1) = 0, \min\{A(t), \check{f}^{2,+}(p^2), \check{f}^{0,-}(p^0)\} = \check{f}^2(p^2) = \check{f}^0(p^0)\}.$$

As in the previous parts, I^1 and I^2 form a partition of $\mathbb{R}$ satisfying (5), and the flux limiter $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a periodic, piecewise constant map such that (6) holds. Finally the initial condition $\check{\rho} = (\check{\rho}^j) \in L^\infty(\check{\mathcal{R}})$ satisfies $\check{\rho}^j \in [\check{a}^j, \check{c}^j]$ a.e..

Theorem 1.7. (Homogenization of the 2:1 junction)

Under the previous assumptions, for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a unique entropy solution to (19) and, as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ the solution $(\check{\rho}^\epsilon)$ to (19) converges in $L^1_{loc}([0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R})$ to the unique entropy solution $\check{\rho}$ of the homogenized problem

$$\begin{cases} \check{\rho}^j \in [\check{a}^j, \check{c}^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, +\infty) \times \check{\mathcal{R}}^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ \partial_t \check{\rho}^j + \partial_x(\check{f}^j(\check{\rho}^j)) = 0 & \text{on } (0, +\infty) \times \check{\mathcal{R}}^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ (\check{\rho}^0(t, 0^+), \check{\rho}^1(t, 0^-), \check{\rho}^2(t, 0^-)) \in \mathcal{G}_{\check{f}, \bar{\Lambda}}^- & \text{for a.e. } t \in (0, +\infty), \\ \check{\rho}(0, \cdot) = \check{\rho} & \text{on } \{0\} \times \check{\mathcal{R}}. \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

where the maximal germ $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f}, \bar{\Lambda}}^-$ is defined explicitly in (87) below with $\bar{\Lambda}$ given in Subsection 2.1.3.

The proof of this theorem is given in Subsection 4.2.

1.8 Review of the literature

Conservation laws (CL) on junctions (and their application to traffic flows) have attracted a lot of attention: see for instance the monograph [25] and the survey paper [10]. A large part of the literature is concerned with conservation laws on 1:1 junctions, involving one flux function for the incoming road and a possibly different one on the outgoing road, see [4, 6, 7, 8, 27, 41, 42]. It turns out that the approach through the germ theory for 1:1 junctions is strongly linked with Hamilton-Jacobi (HJ) equations on such junctions (still in the 1:1 case, see [12]). Combining both approaches gives a rough picture of this 1:1 setting: in a nutshell, the junction condition reduces to a flux limiter (a scalar), the conservation law is an L^1 -contraction and is equivalent to the HJ approach at the level of the antiderivative. Let us also underline that the Hamilton-Jacobi equation possesses itself an L^∞ -contraction property. In conclusion, this 1:1 framework is now relatively well understood.

The situation is completely different for junctions involving at least 3 branches. Indeed, although many works have been devoted to such junctions (see for instance [5, 21, 26, 28, 30, 37, 43]), the problem is still poorly understood and the general picture is far from clear. For instance, if the germ approach of [6] has been recently extended to general junctions in [21, 37] (and we strongly use this extension in the paper), there are still few examples of germs which are maximal and complete; one of the outcome of our paper is to describe a new class of such germs (note however that a particular case was previously discussed in [43]). On the other hand, models involving more than 3 branches seem far richer than the 1:1 set-up: for instance our junction condition (in terms of germs) can be parametrized by a whole family of increasing functions (in contrast with the 1:1 set-up where there is just a single parameter). Another difference with the 1:1 setting is that 2:1 and 1:2 junctions are not always L^1 -contractions. And last, the equivalence between CL and HJ is lost in general: the limit models for 1:2 and 2:1 junctions discussed in this paper do not seem to fit a HJ framework.

It is interesting to compare our class of germs (that we call here the class of traffic light germs, TL-germs in brief) with some of the known germs in the literature on junctions (see in particular [28]). We only consider 1:2 junctions because a reversed germ is automatically constructed for 2:1 junctions, by reversion transform. In [43], the author defines a germ which is a special case of TL-germs for very special functions satisfying moreover $f_{max}^0 = f_{max}^1 + f_{max}^2$ with $\hat{\lambda}^j(\lambda) = \theta^j \lambda$ for $j = 1, 2$. In the pioneering work [29], the authors introduced a class of germs, by the maximization of some entropy at the junction. It has been only very recently proved in [30] that those germs are L^1 -contractant. We do not know what is the relationship between this class of germs and the class of TL-germs, even if the intersection of the two classes is empty or not.

The vanishing viscosity germ studied in [5] can be either or not a TL-germ, depending on the flux functions. For instance, for $f^0 = f$, $f^1 = \alpha_1 f$, $f^2 = \alpha_2 f$, it is possible to show that the vanishing viscosity germ is a TL-germ if and only if $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \leq 1$.

Hamilton-Jacobi germs (HJ-germs in brief) were defined in [32] and studied in [31]. These HJ-germs are the same (going from the HJ level to the level of conservation laws) as the ones defined previously in the monograph [25] for divergent junctions, and a single ingoing road. These germs are a particular case of $\mathcal{RS}_2$ germs in [26], where the authors also show that the total variation of the fluxes is bounded by a constant if it is the case for the initial data. This allows them to show the existence of a solution. The uniqueness seems an open question in general (at least at the direct level of conservation laws). Notice that for $N \geq 3$ branches (like 1:2 junctions), it is easy to check that HJ-germs are never L^1 -contractant germs (see [12]).

In the monograph [25], the authors introduce in particular a germ for 2:1 junctions which is the same (by reversion) as the one called $\mathcal{RS}_1$ in the article [26] for junctions 1:2. It is defined for $f^i = f$ for $i = 0, 1, 2$, and it is possible to show that it is not in the class of what we call here TL-germs. The existence of a solution is shown in [26], but the uniqueness seems open. We do not know if these germs have the L^1 -contraction property or not.

1.9 Organization of the paper

In Section 2, we provide some key results concerning the germs discovered in this paper. Section 3 is devoted to the construction of correctors. The proof of the main homogenization results, Theorem 1.4 and Theorem 1.7, are given in Section 4.

2 Germs for divergent 1:2 junctions

In this section, we introduce a new general class of sets, prove that these sets are maximal germs, and show how the different germs encountered in the main results enter into this general framework.

In contrast with the rest of the paper, in this section we only use a weaker assumption than (1), namely

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } j \in \{0, 1, 2\}, \text{ for } a^j < b^j < c^j, \text{ the function } f^j : [a^j, c^j] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is continuous,} \\ \text{increasing on } [a^j, b^j] \text{ and decreasing on } [b^j, c^j], \text{ with } f^j(a^j) = f^j(c^j) = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

and we use the same notation $f^{j,\pm}$ as defined in (3), (4). We start the section with a description of the general class of germs used throughout the paper and explain their main properties. We illustrate this notion by showing that the germs introduced for the mesoscopic model do fit this general framework. Then we present the germs found through the homogenization procedure and give several examples. We complete the section by the proof of the main properties of our class of germs.

2.1 A general family of germs

2.1.1 The main result on germs

In this section we investigate a general class of germs on 1:2 junctions. This family is described through a set of parameters

$$\Lambda = \left\{ \bar{\lambda}^0, \bar{\lambda}^1, \bar{\lambda}^2, \hat{\lambda}^1, \hat{\lambda}^2 \right\}$$

satisfying the following conditions

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \bar{\lambda}^j \in [0, f_{\max}^j] & \text{for } j = 0, 1, 2 \\ \bar{\lambda}^0 = \bar{\lambda}^1 + \bar{\lambda}^2 & \\ \text{the maps } \hat{\lambda}^k : [0, f_{\max}^k] \rightarrow [0, \bar{\lambda}^k] \text{ are continuous nondecreasing} & \text{for } k = 1, 2 \\ \hat{\lambda}^k(0) = 0, \quad \hat{\lambda}^k(\bar{\lambda}^0) = \bar{\lambda}^k & \text{for } k = 1, 2 \\ \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) + \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \min(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}^0) & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^0]. \end{array} \right. \quad (23)$$

The germ $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ is defined from Λ as follows:

$$\mathcal{G}_\Lambda := \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda} = \left\{ P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} a^j \leq p^j \leq c^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ 0 \leq f^j(p^j) \leq \bar{\lambda}^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2) \\ f^{k,+}(p^k) \geq \hat{\lambda}^k(f^{0,+}(p^0)), & k = 1, 2 \end{array} \right. \right\}. \quad (24)$$

Theorem 2.1. (Germ for divergent 1:2 junction) *Under assumptions (22) and (23), let us consider the set $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ defined in (24). Then*

(i) $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ is a maximal germ,

(ii) $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ is determined by its subset

$$E_\Lambda^+ := \Gamma \cup \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}, \quad (25)$$

where the curve Γ and the points P_1, P_2, P_3 are defined below in (26) and (27) respectively. This means that, for any $P \in Q$,

$$\left[D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0 \quad \forall \bar{P} \in E_\Lambda^+ \right] \implies P \in \mathcal{G}_\Lambda.$$

In order to describe the curves Γ and the points P_i (for $i = 1, 2, 3$), let us first introduce the roots of $f^{j,\pm}(\cdot) = \lambda$ for $j = 0, 1, 2$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} [a^j, b^j] \ni u_+^j(\lambda) := r \text{ such that } f^{j,+}(r) = \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^j] \\ [b^j, c^j] \ni u_-^j(\lambda) := r \text{ such that } f^{j,-}(r) = \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^j] \end{array} \right.$$

We will also use later the notation $u_\pm^j = (f^{j,\pm})^{-1}$. Then

$$\Gamma := \left\{ P = (u_+^0(\lambda), u_+^1(\lambda^1), u_+^2(\lambda^2)) \text{ with } \lambda^k := \hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) \text{ for } k = 1, 2 \text{ and } \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \right\} \quad (26)$$

and

$$\begin{cases} P_0 := (u_+^0(0), u_+^1(0), u_+^2(0)) = (a^0, a^1, a^2) \in \Gamma \\ P_3 := (u_-^0(0), u_-^1(0), u_-^2(0)) = (c^0, c^1, c^2) \\ \\ P_1 := (u_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_-^2(0)) \\ P_2 := (u_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^2), u_-^1(0), u_+^2(\bar{\lambda}^2)). \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

Heuristically, the curve Γ corresponds to a situation in which all the branches are fluids, while

$$\begin{cases} P_0 = (\text{empty road}, & \text{empty road}, & \text{empty road}) \\ P_3 = (\text{fully congested}, & \text{fully congested}, & \text{fully congested}) \\ \\ P_1 = (\text{congested}, & \text{fluid and saturated}, & \text{fully congested}) \\ P_2 = (\text{congested}, & \text{fully congested}, & \text{fluid and saturated}) \end{cases} \in \Gamma$$

where “fully congested” means that the road is with a maximal density of vehicles (hence with zero velocity). On the other hand, “fluid and saturated” means that the outgoing road is still fluid, but that we can not increase the flux passing through the junction point.

The proof of Theorem 2.1 is postponed to Subsection 2.2.

Let us now explain how the germs introduced for the mesoscopic model and the homogenized germ introduced for the macroscopic model fit into the framework just described.

2.1.2 Germs in the mesoscopic model

We check here that the sets $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}(t)$ (for $t \in I^k$ and $k = 1, 2$) introduced in (11) and (12) respectively, are of the form (24) for suitable sets $\Lambda_k(t)$. For $t \in I_1$, the set $\Lambda_1(t) = (\bar{\lambda}_1^0(t), \bar{\lambda}_1^1(t), \bar{\lambda}_1^2(t), \hat{\lambda}_1^1(t, \cdot), \hat{\lambda}_1^2(t, \cdot))$ is given by

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\lambda}_1^0(t) = \bar{\lambda}_1^1(t) = A(t), & \bar{\lambda}_1^2 = 0 \\ \hat{\lambda}_1^1(t, \lambda) = \min(\lambda, A(t)) & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^0] \\ \hat{\lambda}_1^2(t, \lambda) = 0 & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^0]. \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

For $t \in I^2$, the set $\Lambda_2(t) = (\bar{\lambda}_2^0(t), \bar{\lambda}_2^1(t), \bar{\lambda}_2^2(t), \hat{\lambda}_2^1(t, \cdot), \hat{\lambda}_2^2(t, \cdot))$ is defined symmetrically, exchanging the indices 1 and 2:

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\lambda}_2^0(t) = \bar{\lambda}_2^2(t) = A(t), & \bar{\lambda}_2^1 = 0 \\ \hat{\lambda}_2^1(t, \lambda) = 0 & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^0] \\ \hat{\lambda}_2^2(t, \lambda) = \min(\lambda, A(t)) & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^0]. \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

The next lemma claims that the germs $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k(t)}$ (for $k = 1, 2$) associated with the $\Lambda_k(t)$ through definition (24), coincide precisely with the germs $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}(t)$ introduced in (11) and (12) respectively for the mesoscopic model:

Lemma 2.2. (Characterization of the maximal germs $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}$)

For any $k = 1, 2$ and any $t \in I^k$, the set $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k(t)}$, defined through (24) from the sets $\Lambda_k(t)$ is a maximal germ and coincides with the set $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_k}(t)$ introduced in (11) (for $k = 1$) and (12) (for $k = 2$).

Proof. The proof is elementary. By symmetry, we can only do it for $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1(t)}$ for $t \in I^1$. Notice that $\Lambda_1(t)$ satisfies (23). Hence $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1(t)}$ is a maximal germ, from Theorem 2.1.

If $P = (p^k)_{k=0,1,2}$ belongs to $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1(t)}$ or to $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda_1}(t)$, we have

$$\lambda := f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) \in [0, \bar{\lambda}_1^0(t)]$$

and then

$$p^0 \in \{u_{\pm}^0(\lambda)\}, \quad p^1 \in \{u_{\pm}^1(\lambda)\}.$$

This gives 2×2 cases. Examining all cases in details (it is slightly tedious to do it for both expressions), we can check in both expressions that all cases are possible except the following case which is excluded by both expressions

$$p^0 = u_-^0(\lambda), \quad p^1 = u_+^1(\lambda) \quad \text{for } \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}_1^0(t)].$$

Hence the two expressions coincide and the lemma holds true. $\square$

2.1.3 The homogenized germ in the macroscopic model

We now turn to the homogenized germ. This germ is naturally associated with the correctors introduced in the next section. It happens however that it can be built independently: we present this construction here. We also give several examples in which the germ can be explicitly computed (Propositions 2.6, 2.7 and 2.10).

The homogenized germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ introduced in Theorem 1.4 is defined through the set of parameters

$$\bar{\Lambda} = \{\bar{\lambda}^0, \bar{\lambda}^1, \bar{\lambda}^2, \hat{\lambda}^1, \hat{\lambda}^2\}$$

by relation (24) that we recall:

$$\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}} := \left\{ P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q^{RH}, \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0 \leq f^j(p^j) \leq \bar{\lambda}^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ f^{k,+}(p^k) \geq \hat{\lambda}^k(f^{0,+}(p^0)), & k = 1, 2 \end{array} \right. \right\}. \quad (30)$$

In $\bar{\Lambda}$, the effective limiters $\bar{\lambda}^0, \bar{\lambda}^1, \bar{\lambda}^2$ are given by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\lambda}^k := \int_0^1 \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) A(t) dt \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \\ \bar{\lambda}^0 := \int_0^1 A(t) dt = \bar{\lambda}^1 + \bar{\lambda}^2 \leq f_{\max}^0. \end{array} \right. \quad (31)$$

For $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$, let $p^0 = (f^{0,+})^{-1}(\lambda)$. Note that p^0 satisfies the inequality

$$f^{0,+}(p^0) = f^0(p^0) \leq \int_0^1 A(t) dt = \bar{\lambda}^0. \quad (32)$$

We introduce the 1-periodic map² $F_{\lambda} = F_{p^0} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, f_{\max}^0]$ as

$$\forall t \in \mathbb{R} \quad F_{\lambda}(t) = F_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} \lambda = f^0(p^0) & \text{if } \frac{1}{t - t_1} \int_{t_1}^t A(s) ds \geq f^0(p^0), \quad \forall t_1 < t, \\ A(t) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (33)$$

and set, for $k = 1, 2$,

$$\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) = \int_0^1 F_{\lambda}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) dt. \quad (34)$$

We extend the functions $\hat{\lambda}^k$ up to $f_{\max}^0$ by

$$\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) := \bar{\lambda}^k \quad \text{for } \lambda \in [\bar{\lambda}^0, f_{\max}^0], \quad k = 1, 2.$$

Finally, we set, for $k = 1, 2$,

$$\hat{p}_{p^0}^k = u_+^k(\hat{\lambda}^k(f^0(p^0))), \quad \forall p^0 \in [a^0, b^0] \text{ with } f^0(p^0) \leq \bar{\lambda}^0, \quad (35)$$

where we recall the notation $u_{\pm}^k = (f^{k,\pm})^{-1}$.

The interpretation of these quantities is the following: we show in Lemma 3.5 below that F_{p^0} is the flux at the junction $x = 0$ of the 1-periodic corrector taking value p^0 at $-\infty$ (or, equivalently, having a flux $\lambda = f^0(p^0)$ at $-\infty$). Proposition 3.12 shows that the $\hat{p}_{p^0}^k$ are the densities at $+\infty$ and on the branch k of this corrector. Hence the quantities $\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda)$ are the fluxes at $+\infty$ of the time periodic corrector with a flux λ at $-\infty$.

²For simplicity we use the same expression F_{λ} and F_{p^0} although the relationship between λ and p^0 is the equality $p^0 = (f^{0,+})^{-1}(\lambda)$: the first notation makes more sense in the present section, while the second one will be used throughout Section 3 on the construction of correctors.

Remark 2.3. (An obstacle problem) *The flux F_λ at the junction can be recovered by an obstacle problem. More precisely, one can show that*

$$F_\lambda = \lambda + A - (\Phi_\lambda)' \quad \text{a.e. on } \mathbb{R}$$

where Φ_λ is a viscosity solution to the following obstacle problem

$$\min(\Phi_\lambda - B, (\Phi_\lambda)' - \lambda) = 0 \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}, \quad B' = A$$

such that $\Phi_\lambda - B$ is 1-periodic. Moreover Φ_λ is unique for $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0)$ and we have

$$\{\Phi_\lambda = B\} \subset \{F_\lambda = \lambda\} \quad \text{and} \quad \{\Phi_\lambda > B\} \subset \{F_\lambda = A\}.$$

Finally, we have the following representation for Φ_λ :

$$\Phi_\lambda(t) := \sup_{\tau \geq 0} \{B(t - \tau) + \lambda\tau\}. \quad (36)$$

See Lemma 2.5 for related results on $\psi_{p^0} = \Phi_\lambda - B$.

We then have the following properties

Lemma 2.4. (Properties of the fluxes $\hat{\lambda}^k$)

For $k = 1, 2$, $\bar{\lambda}^k \leq f_{\max}^k$ and the map $\lambda \mapsto \hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda)$ is continuous and nondecreasing on $[0, f_{\max}^0]$ with

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) + \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \lambda \quad \forall \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \quad (37)$$

and

$$0 \leq \hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) \leq \bar{\lambda}^k = \hat{\lambda}^k(\bar{\lambda}^0), \quad k = 1, 2, \quad \forall \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]. \quad (38)$$

Proof. Step 0: preliminaries. Let us first note for later use that

$$F_{p^0}(t) \leq A(t) \quad \text{a.e..} \quad (39)$$

Indeed, let t be a point of continuity of A . Then either $F_{p^0}(t) = A(t)$, or $\frac{1}{t-t_1} \int_{t_1}^t A(s) ds \geq f^0(p^0)$ for any $t_1 < t$. In this later case,

$$A(t) = \lim_{t_1 \rightarrow t^-} \frac{1}{t-t_1} \int_{t_1}^t A(s) ds \geq f^0(p^0) = F_{p^0}(t), \quad (40)$$

which shows (39).

Fix $k = 1, 2$. On I^k , we have $A(t) \leq f_{\max}^k$ by assumption on A . Thus

$$\bar{\lambda}^k = \int_0^1 A(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) dt \leq f_{\max}^k |[0, 1] \cap I^k| \leq f_{\max}^k.$$

Let us set

$$\forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \psi_{p^0}(t) = \max_{t_1 \leq t} \left\{ \int_{t_1}^t (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds \right\}.$$

We explain in Lemma 2.5 below that ψ_{p^0} is nonnegative, Lipschitz continuous, 1-periodic and satisfies

$$\psi'_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) - A(t) & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{a.e.} \quad (41)$$

and

$$\psi'_{p^0}(t) = f^0(p^0) - F_{p^0}(t) \quad \text{a.e..} \quad (42)$$

Moreover, by the definition of ψ_{p^0} , for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\psi_{p^0}(t) = 0$ is equivalent to saying that $\frac{1}{t-t_1} \int_{t_1}^t A(s) ds \geq f^0(p^0)$ for any t_1 , and thus, as explained in (40), one has $A \geq f^0(p^0)$ a.e. on $\{\psi_{p^0} = 0\}$.

Step 1: $\hat{\lambda}^k$ are nondecreasing. Fix $k = 1, 2$. We now prove that the $\hat{\lambda}^k$ are non decreasing on $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$ (it is constant on $[\bar{\lambda}^0, \lambda_{\max}^0]$). If $0 \leq \lambda \leq \bar{\lambda} \leq \bar{\lambda}^0$, then

$$a^0 \leq p^0 := u_+^0(\lambda) \leq u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}) =: \bar{p}^0 \leq b^0.$$

Hence, by the definition of ψ_{p^0} and $\psi_{\bar{p}^0}$, $\psi_{p^0} \leq \psi_{\bar{p}^0}$ and therefore $\{\psi_{p^0} > 0\} \subset \{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} > 0\}$. Recalling (41), (42) and the facts that $f^0(p^0) \leq f^0(\bar{p}^0)$ and that $A \geq f^0(p^0)$ a.e. on $\{\psi_{p^0} = 0\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{p^0}(t) &= f^0(p^0) - \psi'_{p^0}(t) = \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{p^0} > 0\}}(t)A(t) + \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{p^0} = 0\}}(t)f^0(p^0) \\ &= \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} > 0\}}(t)A(t) + \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} = 0\}}(t)f^0(p^0) + \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} > 0, \psi_{p^0} = 0\}}(t)(f^0(p^0) - A(t)) \\ &\leq \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} > 0\}}(t)A(t) + \mathbf{1}_{\{\psi_{\bar{p}^0} = 0\}}(t)f^0(\bar{p}^0) = F_{\bar{p}^0}(t). \end{aligned}$$

Recalling (34) then shows that $\hat{\lambda}^k$ is nondecreasing.

Step 2: $\hat{\lambda}^k$ is continuous in $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. We assume that λ^n converge to λ in $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. Let $p^{0,n} = u_-^0(\lambda^n)$ and $p^0 = u_-^0(\lambda)$. Then $(p^{0,n})$ converges to p^0 and $(\psi_{p^{0,n}})$ converges uniformly to ψ_{p^0} . Using assumption (5), we can write the set $I^k \cap [0, 1]$ into a finite union of disjoint intervals $((t_1^j, t_2^j))_{j=1, \dots, J_k}$ up to a set of measure 0. Then (42) shows that

$$\int_0^1 F_{p^{0,n}}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) dt = \sum_{j=1}^{J_k} \int_{t_1^j}^{t_2^j} (-\psi'_{p^{0,n}}(t) + f^0(p^{0,n})) dt = \sum_{j=1}^{J_k} (\psi_{p^{0,n}}(t_1^j) - \psi_{p^{0,n}}(t_2^j) + f^0(p^{0,n})(t_2^j - t_1^j))$$

converges to

$$\sum_{j=1}^{J_k} (\psi_{p^0}(t_1^j) - \psi_{p^0}(t_2^j) + f^0(p^0)(t_2^j - t_1^j)) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) dt.$$

By (34) this shows the continuity of $\hat{\lambda}^k$ in $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$.

Step 3: proof of (37) and (38). By (34) and (42) we have, for $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$,

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) + \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0}(t) dt = \int_0^1 (f^0(p^0) - \psi'_{p^0}(t)) dt = f^0(p^0) = \lambda,$$

since ψ_{p^0} is periodic. This is (37). By (39), $F_{p^0}(t) \leq A(t)$ a.e.. Hence by (34), $\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) \leq \bar{\lambda}^k$ for any $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. For $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}^0$, we then have

$$\bar{\lambda}^0 = \bar{\lambda}^1 + \bar{\lambda}^2 \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}^0) + \hat{\lambda}^2(\bar{\lambda}^0) = \bar{\lambda}^0,$$

which shows that the inequalities $\bar{\lambda}^k \geq \hat{\lambda}^k(\bar{\lambda}^0)$ are actually equalities. This is (38). Let us finally remark that $\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) = \bar{\lambda}^k$, $\forall \lambda \geq \bar{\lambda}^0$. Hence $\hat{\lambda}^k$ is also continuous in $[0, f_{\max}^0]$ (recall that it is continuous in $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$ by Step 2). $\square$

In the proof of Lemma 2.4 we used the following result:

Lemma 2.5 (Analysis of ψ_{p^0}). *Fix $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ such that (32) holds and let*

$$\forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \psi_{p^0}(t) := \max_{t_1 \leq t} \left\{ \int_{t_1}^t (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds \right\}.$$

Then ψ_{p^0} is nonnegative, Lipschitz continuous, 1-periodic and satisfies, a.e.,

$$\psi'_{p^0}(t) = f^0(p^0) - F_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) - A(t) & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

In addition, $\psi'_{p^0}(t) + A(t) - f^0(p^0) \geq 0$ a.e..

Proof. Note, choosing $t_1 = t - 1$ as a competitor and using (32), that $\psi_{p^0} \geq 0$. Moreover, by (32) and periodicity of A , the maximum in t_1 in the definition of ψ_{p^0} can be chosen in $[t - 1, t]$. By periodicity of A , ψ_{p^0} is 1-periodic. Moreover, as

$$\psi_{p^0}(t) = \max_{t_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \left\{ \int_{t_1 \wedge t}^t (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds \right\},$$

where the integrand is bounded, ψ_{p^0} is also Lipschitz continuous as the supremum of uniformly Lipschitz continuous quantities.

Let us now compute ψ'_{p^0} . On $\{\psi_{p^0} = 0\}$, we have $\psi'_{p^0} = 0$ a.e.. Let t be a point of derivability of ψ_{p^0} with $\psi_{p^0}(t) > 0$ and such that t is a point of continuity of A . If $\hat{t}_1$ is optimal in the definition of ψ_{p^0} , then $\hat{t}_1 < t$ because $\psi_{p^0}(t) > 0$. Hence, for $|h| > 0$ small,

$$\psi_{p^0}(t+h) \geq \int_{\hat{t}_1}^{t+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds = \psi_{p^0}(t) + \int_t^{t+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds,$$

which implies that $\psi'_{p^0}(t) = f^0(p^0) - A(t)$. So we have proved that

$$\psi'_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) - A(t) & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \psi_{p^0}(t) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{a.e..}$$

On the other hand equality $\psi_{p^0}(t) = 0$ is equivalent to saying that, for any $t_1 < t$,

$$\frac{1}{t - t_1} \int_{t_1}^t A(s) ds \geq f^0(p^0). \quad (43)$$

Comparing (33) with the previous equality shows that $\psi'_{p^0}(t) = f^0(p^0) - F_{p^0}(t)$ a.e..

Finally, we have seen in (40) that $A \geq f^0(p^0)$ a.e. on $\{\psi_{p^0} = 0\}$, which shows the last claim. $\square$

Proof of Theorem 1.4: $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ is a maximal germ. By Lemma 2.4, $\bar{\Lambda}$ satisfies (23), which implies by Theorem 2.1 that $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ is a maximal germ. $\square$

Proof of Lemma 1.5. Let us set

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma &:= \left\{ U = (u_+^0(\lambda), u_+^1(\lambda^1), u_+^2(\lambda^2)) \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda^k := \hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) \quad \text{for} \quad k = 1, 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \right\} \\ &= \left\{ U = (p^0, \hat{p}_{p^0}^1, \hat{p}_{p^0}^2), \quad p^0 \in [a^0, b^0] \quad \text{with} \quad f^0(p^0) \leq \bar{\lambda}^0 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} P_0 := (a^0, a^1, a^2) \in \Gamma \\ P_3 := (c^0, c^1, c^2) \\ P_1 := (u_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), c^2) \\ P_2 := (u_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^2), c^1, u_+^2(\bar{\lambda}^2)) \end{cases}$$

Then $E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ defined in (17) is equal to

$$E_{\bar{\Lambda}} = \Gamma \cup \{P_1, P_2, P_3\},$$

the curve Γ corresponding to case (i) in (17), P_1 to case (ii), P_2 to case (iii) and P_3 to case (iv). Therefore $E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ generates $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ by Theorem 2.1-(ii). $\square$

Three explicit examples. We complete this part by three explicit computations. In the first one, there is no flux limiter (and hence no stop); the homogenized germ is then quite straightforward. The second one involves one stop only and no other flux limiter; it shows that the order (stop-road 1-road 2 or stop-road 2-road 1) influences the homogenized germ, even if the flux function is the same for both exit roads. The last one gives a hint of the class of germs that can be reached through our homogenization procedure.

Example 1: the case where the traffic is never limited. We assume that

$$A(t) = \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^j\} \quad \text{for } t \in I^j, j = 1, 2 \quad (44)$$

and that the sets I^1 and I^2 are as simple as possible:

$$\text{Up to a translation in time, the restriction of } I^k \text{ to } [0, 1] \text{ is a single interval.} \quad (45)$$

Under these assumptions, we can compute explicitly $\bar{\lambda}$.

Proposition 2.6. *Assume (44) and (45). Let us set $\theta^k = |I^k \cap [0, 1]|$ (for $k = 1, 2$). Then*

$$\begin{cases} \bar{\lambda}^k := \theta^k \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^j\} & \text{for } k = 1, 2, \\ \bar{\lambda}^0 := \theta^1 \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^1\} + \theta^2 \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^2\}. \end{cases}$$

Letting $\theta_*^k := \frac{\bar{\lambda}^k}{\bar{\lambda}^0}$ (for $k = 1, 2$), the curves $\hat{\lambda}^1, \hat{\lambda}^2$ are given by

$$\begin{cases} \begin{cases} \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) := \max(\theta^1 \lambda, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^2) \\ \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) := \min(\theta^2 \lambda, \bar{\lambda}^2) \end{cases} & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \quad \text{if } \theta^2 \geq \theta_*^2, \\ \begin{cases} \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) := \min(\theta^1 \lambda, \bar{\lambda}^1) \\ \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) := \max(\theta^2 \lambda, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^1) \end{cases} & \text{for } \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \quad \text{if } \theta^2 < \theta_*^2. \end{cases}$$

Proof. The computation of the $\bar{\lambda}^k$ ($k = 0, 1, 2$) is immediate. Let us now compute the $\hat{\lambda}^k$ ($k = 1, 2$). To fix the ideas, we assume that $\theta^2 \geq \theta_*^2$, the other case being treated in a symmetric way. Without loss of generality, we also assume that $0 < \theta^1 < 1$, since otherwise the problem reduces to a problem with a single outgoing road. We set $\phi^k = \min\{f_{\max}^0, f_{\max}^k\}$, $k = 1, 2$. Note that $\theta^2 \geq \theta_*^2$ is equivalent to saying that $\phi^1 \geq \phi^2$. Fix $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$ and let $p^0 = u_+^0(\lambda)$.

Let us first assume that $\lambda \in [0, \phi^2]$. Recalling that $\theta_2 = 1 - \theta_1$, we have $\max(\theta^1 \lambda, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^2) = \theta^1 \lambda$ and $\min(\theta^2 \lambda, \bar{\lambda}^2) = \theta^2 \lambda$. On the other hand, in this case, the map F_{p^0} defined in (33) is constant and equal to $\lambda = f^0(p^0)$. Then, for $k = 1, 2$,

$$\hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0(\lambda)}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^k}(t) dt = \theta^k \lambda.$$

Let us now suppose that $\lambda \in (\phi^2, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. Then $\max(\theta^1 \lambda, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^2) = \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^2$ and $\min(\theta^2 \lambda, \bar{\lambda}^2) = \bar{\lambda}^2$. To compute F_{p^0} , we assume without loss of generality that $I^1 \cap [0, 1] = [0, \theta^1]$ while $I^2 \cap [0, 1] = [\theta^1, 1]$. Since $\lambda \leq \bar{\lambda}^0 = \theta^1 \phi^1 + \theta^2 \phi^2$ and $\lambda > \phi^2$, we deduce that $\lambda < \phi^1$. Hence the minimum over t_1 of $\frac{1}{t-t_1} \int_{t_1}^t (A(s) - \lambda) ds$ is reached for $t_1 = -(1 - \theta^1) = -\theta^2$ if $t \in [0, \theta^1]$. Then, by (33),

$$F_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) & \text{if } t \in [\frac{\theta^2(\lambda - \phi^2)}{\phi^1 - \lambda}, \theta^1) \\ A(t) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \pmod{1},$$

so that

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0(\lambda)}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^1}(t) dt = \int_0^{\theta^1} F_{p^0(\lambda)}(t) dt = \frac{\theta^2(\lambda - \phi^2)}{\phi^1 - \lambda} \phi^1 + (\theta^1 - \frac{\theta^2(\lambda - \phi^2)}{\phi^1 - \lambda}) \lambda = \theta^2(\lambda - \phi^2) + \theta^1 \lambda = \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^2,$$

while

$$\hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0(\lambda)}(t) \mathbf{1}_{I^2}(t) dt = \theta^2 \phi^2 = \bar{\lambda}^2.$$

□

Example 2: one stop followed successively by two exits. Consider now the case where $f^1 = f^2 = f$, and f^0 may be different. We set $A^0 := \max(f_{\max}^0, f_{\max})$. We also assume that for $\tau_0 = \theta^0$, $\tau_1 = \theta^0 + \theta^1$, $\tau_2 = \theta^0 + \theta^1 + \theta^2 = 1$ with $\theta^i > 0$, we have

$$A(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{on } [0, \tau_0) = I^0 \\ A^0 & \text{on } [\tau_0, \tau_1) = I^1 \\ A^0 & \text{on } [\tau_1, \tau_2) = [\tau_1, 1) = I^2 \end{cases}$$

In other words, all the incoming vehicles from road 0, go on road j during the time interval I^j for $j = 1, 2$, while they are all stopped at the junction during the time interval I^0 .

We then have the following result

Proposition 2.7. (Flux computation with one stop followed successively by two exits) *Under the previous assumptions, we have for $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$*

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = \min\{\lambda(\theta^0 + \theta^1), \bar{\lambda}^1\} \\ \hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \max\{\lambda\theta^2, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^1\} \\ (\hat{\lambda}^1 + \hat{\lambda}^2)(\lambda) = \lambda \end{cases}$$

with

$$\bar{\lambda}^0 := A^0(\theta^1 + \theta^2), \quad \bar{\lambda}^1 := A^0\theta^1, \quad \bar{\lambda}^2 = A^0\theta^2.$$

Moreover, if $\theta^1 = \theta^2$, then we have $\bar{\lambda}^1 = \bar{\lambda}^2$ and

$$\hat{\lambda}^1 > \hat{\lambda}^2 \quad \text{on } (0, \bar{\lambda}^0)$$

with equality at both end points of the interval $(0, \bar{\lambda}^0)$.

Remark 2.8. *The result of Proposition 2.7 in the special case $\theta^1 = \theta^2$, means that the order (stop-road 1-road 2) matters with respect to the order (stop-road-2-road 1). The road which receives the traffic just after the stop, will have a higher passing flux than the other one.*

After reversion, this corresponds to a convergent 2:1 junction where the outgoing road 0 is congested. Then road 1 (just after the stop) will evacuate more easily than road 2, its vehicles onto the road 0. This happens because the stop created some free space on road 0 just after the junction. This last interpretation is much more intuitive here.

Proof. For $t \in [0, 1]$, let $B(t) = \max(0, A^0(t - \theta^0))$ and extend B to $\mathbb{R}$ by $B(t + 1) = B(t) + A^0(\theta^1 + \theta^2)$ such that $B' = A$. For any $\lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$, where $\bar{\lambda}^0 := \int_{[0, 1]} A = A^0(\theta^1 + \theta^2)$, define Φ_λ as in (36) and $t = t_\lambda \in (\theta^0, 1]$ such that

$$\lambda t = B(t) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad t_\lambda - \theta^0 = \frac{\lambda\theta^0}{A^0 - \lambda}.$$

We then have, using that $\{\Phi_\lambda = B\} \subset \{F_\lambda = \lambda\}$,

$$\hat{\lambda}^j(\lambda) = \int_{I^j} F_\lambda = \int_{I^j \cap \{\Phi_\lambda > B\}} A + \int_{I^j \cap \{\Phi_\lambda = B\}} \lambda = \int_{I^j} A + \int_{I^j \cap \{\Phi_\lambda = B\}} (\lambda - A).$$

Since $\{\Phi_\lambda = B\} \cap [0, 1] = [t_\lambda, 1]$, we deduce that

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = A^0\theta^1 + \int_{[\tau_1 \wedge t_\lambda, \tau_1]} (\lambda - A^0)$$

Let us set $\lambda_* = \frac{A^0\theta^1}{\theta^0 + \theta^1}$ such that $t_{\lambda_*} = \tau_1$. This implies that, for $\lambda \in [0, \lambda_*]$, we have

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = A^0\theta^1 + (\lambda - A^0)(\tau_1 - t_\lambda) = \lambda\tau_1$$

and then

$$\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = \min(\lambda\tau_1, \bar{\lambda}^1) \quad \text{on } [0, \bar{\lambda}^0], \quad \text{with } \bar{\lambda}^1 := \lambda_*\tau_1 = A^0\theta^1.$$

Similarly, using that

$$\hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \int_{[t_\lambda \vee \tau_1, 1]} (\lambda - A^0) + A^0 \theta^2$$

we can show that

$$\hat{\lambda}^2(\lambda) = \max(\lambda \theta^2, \lambda - \bar{\lambda}^1) \quad \text{on} \quad [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$$

This ends the proof. $\square$

Remark 2.9. (Bounds on the derivatives of $\hat{\lambda}^j$) A natural question is the characterization of the functions $\hat{\lambda}^j$ that can be constructed by homogenization. In fact, the derivative of these fluxes has to be bounded between 0 and 1. More precisely, one can show that

$$1 - g^2(\lambda) \geq (\hat{\lambda}^1)'(\lambda) \geq g^1(\lambda) \geq 0 \quad \text{a.e. for } \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$$

(and symmetrically for $\hat{\lambda}^2$) with

$$g^j(\lambda) := |\{F_\lambda = \lambda\} \cap I^j|$$

Moreover $g^j \in L^\infty([0, \bar{\lambda}^0])$ has a monotone nonincreasing representant in the class of L^∞ functions. We can show that this also implies that if there exists some $\lambda_1 \in (0, \bar{\lambda}^0)$ such that the derivative vanishes

$$(\hat{\lambda}^j)'(\lambda_1) = 0$$

then $\hat{\lambda}^j = \text{const}$ on $[\lambda_1, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. Moreover each $\hat{\lambda}^j$ is sandwiched in between a concave function and a convex function.

Example 3: concave flux $\hat{\lambda}^1$. We now explain how to compute $\hat{\lambda}^1$ from A when A has a particular structure and is assumed to be continuous.

Proposition 2.10. (The case of $\hat{\lambda}^1$ concave and A continuous)

Given $0 < t_1 - t_0 < 1$, assume furthermore that $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ (still 1-periodic) is C^1 , decreasing on $[t_0, t_1]$, and increasing on $[t_1, t_0 + 1]$. Given $\bar{\lambda}^0 := \int_{[0,1]} A$, consider $\bar{t}_0 \in [t_0, t_1]$ such that $A(\bar{t}_0) = \bar{\lambda}^0$. Assume now that

$$A' < 0 \quad \text{on} \quad [\bar{t}_0, t_1] \quad \text{and} \quad I^1 = [\bar{t}_0, t_1] \quad \text{mod. } 1$$

Then up to translate A , we can assume that $\bar{t}_0 = 0$, and we have

$$1 > (\hat{\lambda}^1)'(\lambda) = \begin{cases} (A|_{[0, t_1]})^{-1}(\lambda) & \text{if } \lambda \in (A(t_1), A(0)] \\ |I^1| = t_1 & \text{if } \lambda \in [0, A(t_1)) \end{cases} \quad (46)$$

The function $\hat{\lambda}^1$ is C^1 and concave on $[0, \bar{\lambda}^0]$. Moreover $\hat{\lambda}^1$ is linear on $[0, A(t_1)]$, and C^2 strictly concave on $(A(t_1), \bar{\lambda}^0]$. We also have $(\hat{\lambda}^1)'(\bar{\lambda}^0) = \bar{t}_0 = 0$ when $0 = \bar{t}_0 < t_1$.

Proof. We first notice that for $\lambda \in [0, A(t_1)]$, we have $F_\lambda = \lambda$ and $\hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = |I_1|\lambda$.

For $\lambda \in [A(t_1), A(\bar{t}_0)]$, we define $t_\lambda \in [\bar{t}_0, t_1]$ such that $A(t_\lambda) = \lambda$. Arguing as in the proof of Proposition 2.7, we have

$$\beta(\lambda) := \hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}^0) - \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) = \int_{\bar{t}_0}^{t_\lambda} (A - \lambda)$$

Because $\lambda \mapsto t_\lambda = (A|_{[\bar{t}_0, t_1]})^{-1}(\lambda) = A^{-1}(\lambda)$ is C^1 on $(A(t_1), A(\bar{t}_0)]$, we see for later use that β is also C^1 , and is moreover nonincreasing. Now for $t := t_\lambda$, we have $A(t) = \lambda$ and

$$\beta(\lambda) = \int_{\bar{t}_0}^{A^{-1}(\lambda)} (A(s) - A(t)) ds$$

i.e.

$$(\beta \circ A)(t) = \int_{\bar{t}_0}^t (A(s) - A(t)) ds$$

Taking the derivative, and dividing by $A'(t) < 0$, and up to assume that $\bar{t}_0 = 0$, we get

$$(-\beta') \circ A = Id_{[\bar{t}_0, t_1]}$$

with $-\beta' = (\hat{\lambda}^1)'$. This implies that

$$(\hat{\lambda}^1)' = (A|_{[\bar{t}_0, t_1]})^{-1} \quad \text{on} \quad (A(t_1), A(\bar{t}_0)]$$

□

Remark 2.11. 1) Notice that we can also prove a sort of reciprocal result. Given any C^2 concave function $\hat{\lambda}^1 : [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ with $(\hat{\lambda}^1)'' < 0$ on $(0, \bar{\lambda}^0)$ and $\hat{\lambda}^1(0) = (\hat{\lambda}^1)(\bar{\lambda}^0) = 0 < (\hat{\lambda}^1)'(0) < 1$, we can cook-up a suitable 1-periodic function A with $A(t_1) = 0$. Everything can be done such that $\hat{\lambda}^1$ is associated to A as in Proposition 2.10 (except that A is constant on $(t_1, t_0 + 1)$ and possibly discontinuous at t_0 and t_1).

2) Notice also that in this remark and in Proposition 2.10, the function A is not piecewise constant, as it is assumed in our homogenization result. Nevertheless, an approximation of such A by a sequence of piecewise constant functions is always possible, and then relation (46) is still valid, once it is correctly interpreted (where $\hat{\lambda}^1$ is continuous and piecewise linear). Then any concave $\hat{\lambda}^1$ as in point 1), can then be obtained as limits of homogenized $\hat{\lambda}^1$ of piecewisely approximated functions A .

2.2 Proof of Theorem 2.1

This subsection is devoted to the proof of Theorem 2.1. Starting with a lemma describing how the dissipation condition can be violated (Lemma 2.12), we prove that $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ is maximal and generated by E_Λ^+ (Lemma 2.13) and then that it is a germ (Lemma 2.14).

2.2.1 A technical lemma

We consider $P = (p^0, p^1, p^2)$ and $\bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2)$ with $P, \bar{P} \in Q^{RH}$, i.e. such that we have the Rankine-Hugoniot relations

$$\begin{cases} f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2) \\ f^0(\bar{p}^0) = f^1(\bar{p}^1) + f^2(\bar{p}^2). \end{cases}$$

Defining

$$\begin{cases} F^0 := f(\bar{p}^0) - f(p^0), & s^0 := \text{sign}(\bar{p}^0 - p^0) \\ F^1 := f(\bar{p}^1) - f(p^1), & s^1 := \text{sign}(\bar{p}^1 - p^1) \\ F^2 := f(\bar{p}^2) - f(p^2), & s^2 := \text{sign}(\bar{p}^2 - p^2) \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

we get

$$D(\bar{P}, P) = s^0 F^0 - \{s^1 F^1 + s^2 F^2\} \quad \text{with} \quad F^0 = F^1 + F^2$$

and $s^j = 0$ implies $F^j = 0$.

Lemma 2.12. (Violated dissipation for divergent 1:2 junction)

Let us consider the dissipation

$$D := s^0 F^0 - \{s^1 F^1 + s^2 F^2\} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} F^0 = F^1 + F^2 \\ s^j \in \{0, \pm 1\} \\ s^j = 0 \text{ implies } F^j = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{for } j = 0, 1, 2 \\ \text{for } j = 0, 1, 2. \end{matrix}$$

Then $D < 0$ if and only if

$$\begin{cases} s^0 F^0 < 0, & s^1 = s^2 \neq s^0 \quad \text{weakly} \\ \text{or} \\ s^1 F^1 > 0, & s^0 = s^2 \neq s^1 \quad \text{weakly} \\ \text{or} \\ s^2 F^2 > 0, & s^0 = s^1 \neq s^2 \quad \text{weakly} \end{cases}$$

where

$$s^1 = s^2 \neq s^0 \quad \text{weakly} \iff s^0 \neq 0, \quad s^1 s^2 \geq 0, \quad s^0 s^1 \leq 0, \quad s^0 s^2 \leq 0.$$

Proof. The proof is technical but elementary. Up to change (F^0, F^1, F^2) in $(F^0, -F^1, -F^2)$, we can assume that

$$D = s^0 F^0 + s^1 F^1 + s^2 F^2 \quad \text{with} \quad F^0 + F^1 + F^2 = 0$$

and we want to show that $D < 0$ if and only if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{(0)} & s^0 F^0 < 0, \quad s^1 = s^2 \neq s^0 \quad \text{weakly} \\ \text{or} & \\ \text{(1)} & s^1 F^1 < 0, \quad s^0 = s^2 \neq s^1 \quad \text{weakly} \\ \text{or} & \\ \text{(2)} & s^2 F^2 < 0, \quad s^0 = s^1 \neq s^2 \quad \text{weakly.} \end{array} \right.$$

Step 1: (0),(1) or (2) imply $D < 0$

We only consider the case (0) (the other cases being symmetric).

This means that we have

$$s^0 F^0 < 0, \quad s^0 \neq 0, \quad s^1 s^2 \geq 0, \quad s^0 s^1 \leq 0, \quad s^0 s^2 \leq 0$$

and we distinguish several cases.

Case 1.a: $s^1 = 0 = s^2$. Then $F^1 = 0 = F^2$ and $D = s^0 F^0 < 0$.

Case 1.b: $s^1 = 0 \neq s^2$. Then $F^1 = 0$ and then $F^2 = -F^0$ and also $s^2 = -s^0$. We get $D = 2s^0 F^0 < 0$.

Case 1.c: $s^1 \neq 0 = s^2$. This is symmetric to case 1.b.

Case 1.d: $s^1 \neq 0, s^2 \neq 0$. Then $s^1 = s^2 = -s^0$, and $F^1 + F^2 = -F^0$ gives $D = 2s^0 F^0 < 0$.

We conclude that $D < 0$ in all cases of Step 1.

Step 2: if we do not have (0),(1) nor (2) then $D \geq 0$

If $s^j F^j \geq 0$ for all $j = 0, 1, 2$, then $D \geq 0$. Then assume that at least one such term is negative. By symmetry, we can assume that

$$s^0 F^0 < 0.$$

Notice also that if all the s^j for $j = 0, 1, 2$ have the same sign (with value in $\{0, \pm 1\}$), then $D = 0$ (because $F^0 + F^1 + F^2 = 0$). Then we can assume that the s^j do not have all the same sign.

Moreover recall that we don't have (0). Hence we can assume in particular that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} s^0 F^0 < 0 \\ s^0 \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (s^1 s^2 < 0 \quad \text{or} \quad s^0 s^1 > 0 \quad \text{or} \quad s^0 s^2 > 0) \\ s^0, s^1, s^2 \quad \text{do not have all the same sign.} \end{array} \right.$$

We distinguish several cases.

Case 2.a: $s^0 s^1 > 0$. If $s^2 \neq 0$, then $s^1 = s^0 = -s^2$ and $F^0 + F^1 = -F^2$ which gives $D = 2s^2 F^2 \geq 0$ because case (2) is also excluded. If $s^2 = 0$, then $F^2 = 0$ and $F^1 = -F^0$ which implies $D = 0$.

Case 2.b: $s^0 s^2 > 0$. This case is symmetric of case 2.a.

Case 2.c: $s^1 s^2 < 0$. If $s^0 = s^1$, then $s^0 = s^1 = -s^2$ and $F^0 + F^1 = -F^2$. This implies that $D = 2s^2 F^2 \geq 0$, because (2) does not hold. If $s^0 = s^2$, then we obtain, in a symmetric way, that $D \geq 0$.

We conclude that $D \geq 0$ in all cases of Step 2.

This completes the proof of the lemma. $\square$

2.2.2 Maximality

Lemma 2.13. (Maximality of $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$) *We work under the assumptions of Theorem 2.1. Let us consider a set $G \subset Q$ satisfying the dissipation condition*

$$D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad \bar{P}, P \in G.$$

Let

$$E_{\Lambda}^+ := \Gamma \cup \{P_1, P_2, P_3\} \quad \text{defined in (25).}$$

If $E_{\Lambda}^+ \subset G$, then we have

$$G \subset \mathcal{G}_{\Lambda}.$$

This implies in particular that $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda}$ is maximal.

Proof. We choose $P \in G$ and we will test it with

$$\bar{P} \in \Gamma \cup \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$$

using the dissipation condition $D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0$ in order to show that $P \in \mathcal{G}_{\Lambda}$.

We write

$$P = (p^0, p^1, p^2), \quad \bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2)$$

We use notation (47) for the fluxes F^j for $j = 0, 1, 2$.

Step 1: recovering Rankine-Hugoniot condition

We choose $\bar{P} := P_3$. Because for all $P \in Q = [a^0, c^0] \times [a^1, c^1] \times [a^2, c^2]$, we have $p^j \leq \bar{p}^j = c^j$ for all $j = 0, 1, 2$, we get

$$0 \leq D(\bar{P}, P) = F^0 - (F^1 + F^2), \quad f^0(\bar{p}^0) = f^1(\bar{p}^1) + f^2(\bar{p}^2),$$

which implies

$$f^0(p^0) - \{f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2)\} \leq 0. \quad (48)$$

We now choose $\bar{P} := P_0$. Because for all $P \in Q$, we have $p^j \geq \bar{p}^j = a^j$ for all $j = 0, 1, 2$, we get

$$-\{F^0 - (F^1 + F^2)\} \geq 0, \quad f^0(\bar{p}^0) = f^1(\bar{p}^1) + f^2(\bar{p}^2),$$

which implies

$$f^0(p^0) - \{f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2)\} \geq 0. \quad (49)$$

Combining (48) and (49), we get the Rankine-Hugoniot relation and then $P \in Q^{RH}$.

Step 2: getting flux limiters

Step 2.1: $0 \leq f^1(p^1) \leq \bar{\lambda}^1$. We set $\bar{P} := P_1 = (p_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^1), p_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), p_-^2(0))$. Assume by contradiction that

$$\lambda^1 := f^1(p^1) > \bar{\lambda}^1 = f^1(\bar{p}^1).$$

Using Rankine-Hugoniot relation and the facts that $f^2 \geq 0$ and $f^2(\bar{p}^2) = 0$, we get

$$\lambda := f^0(p^0) > \bar{\lambda}^1 = f^0(\bar{p}^0).$$

Using that $\bar{p}^1 \in [a^1, b^1]$ and that $\bar{p}^0 \in [b^0, c^0]$, we deduce that

$$p^1 > \bar{p}^1, \quad p^0 < \bar{p}^0.$$

Then we get the table

	$k = 0$	1	2
s^k	> 0	< 0	
F^k	< 0	< 0	≤ 0
$s^k F^k$	< 0	> 0	

with the convention that the boxed inequalities are the known ones, and the unboxed inequalities are the deduced ones.

Hence whatever is the value of s^2 , we deduce from Lemma 2.12 that $D < 0$ either from $s^0 F^0 < 0$ or from $s^1 F^1 > 0$ (depending on the value of s^2). Contradiction.

Step 2.2: $0 \leq f^2(p^2) \leq \bar{\lambda}^2$. Choosing $\bar{P} := P_2$, we get the result in a symmetric way.

Step 2.3: conclusion

From Rankine-Hugoniot relation, we deduce that

$$0 \leq f^0(p^0) \leq \bar{\lambda}^0 := \bar{\lambda}^1 + \bar{\lambda}^2,$$

which, combining with Steps 2.1 and 2.2, implies the limiters

$$0 \leq f^j(p^j) \leq \bar{\lambda}^j \quad \text{for } j = 0, 1, 2.$$

Step 3: getting key inequalities defining $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$.

Step 3.1: $f^{1,+}(p^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0))$.

Assume by contradiction that

$$f^{1,+}(p^1) < \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)).$$

We choose $\bar{\lambda} = \min(\bar{\lambda}^0, f^{0,+}(p^0))$ and we define $\bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2) := (u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}), u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_+^2(\bar{\lambda}^2))$ with $\bar{\lambda}^k = \hat{\lambda}^k(\bar{\lambda})$. This implies in particular that

$$f^0(\bar{p}^0) = \bar{\lambda} \geq f^0(p^0) =: \lambda.$$

Hence (recalling that $\hat{\lambda}^1$ is nondecreasing)

$$\lambda^1 := f^1(p^1) \leq f^{1,+}(p^1) < \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)) \leq \hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}) = \bar{\lambda}^1 = f^1(\bar{p}^1) = f^{1,+}(\bar{p}^1)$$

and then

$$p^1 \in [a^1, b^1], \quad p^1 < \bar{p}^1.$$

Then we get the table

	$k = 0$	1	2
s^k		> 0	
F^k	≥ 0	> 0	
$s^k F^k$		> 0	

In order to go further, we have to distinguish cases.

Case A: $\lambda < \bar{\lambda}$. Then

$$\bar{\lambda} = f^0(\bar{p}^0) = \min(\bar{\lambda}^0, f^{0,+}(p^0)) > f^0(p^0) = \lambda$$

and

$$\bar{p}^0 = u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}) \leq u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}^0) < p^0$$

i.e.

	$k = 0$	1	2
s^k	< 0	> 0	
F^k	> 0	> 0	
$s^k F^k$	< 0	> 0	

Hence whatever is the value of s^2 , we deduce from Lemma 2.12 that $D < 0$ either from $s^0 F^0 < 0$ or from $s^1 F^1 > 0$ (depending on the value of s^2). Contradiction.

Case B: $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$. Then, we have with $\lambda^k = f^k(p^k)$ and $\bar{\lambda}^k = f^k(\bar{p}^k)$ for $k = 1, 2$

$$\lambda^1 < \bar{\lambda}^1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda^1 + \lambda^2 = \lambda = \bar{\lambda} = \bar{\lambda}^1 + \bar{\lambda}^2$$

Hence

$$\lambda^2 > \bar{\lambda}^2$$

i.e.

$$f^{2,+}(p^2) \geq f^2(p^2) > f^2(\bar{p}^2) = f^{2,+}(\bar{p}^2)$$

and then

$$\bar{p}^2 < p^2.$$

We can almost complete the table

	$k = 0$	1	2
s^k		> 0	< 0
F^k	$= 0$	> 0	< 0
$s^k F^k$	$= 0$	> 0	> 0

Again we deduce from Lemma 2.12 that $D < 0$ using $s^2 F^2 > 0$ or $s^1 F^1 > 0$ (depending on the sign of s^0). Contradiction.

We get a contradiction in all the cases and so

$$f^{1,+}(p^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)).$$

Step 3.2: $f^{2,+}(p^2) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(f^{0,+}(p^0))$. Proceeding symmetrically to Step 3.1, we get the result.

Step 3.3: conclusion

Finally, this shows that $P \in \mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ and completes the proof of the lemma. $\square$

2.2.3 Germ property

Lemma 2.14. (Germ property of $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$) *Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.1, the set $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ defined by (24) is a germ.*

Proof. By construction, we have $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda \subset Q^{RH}$, and then we only have to show that³

$$D(\bar{P}, P) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } \bar{P}, P \in \mathcal{G}_\Lambda. \quad (50)$$

Assume by contradiction that there exists $\bar{P}, P \in \mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ such that

$$D(\bar{P}, P) < 0.$$

Then from Lemma 2.12, we have two cases. Either

$$s^0 F^0 < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad s^0 \neq s^1 = s^2 \text{ weakly},$$

or (up to exchange the indices 1 and 2), we have

$$s^1 F^1 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad s^1 \neq s^0 = s^2 \text{ weakly}.$$

Case A: $s^0 F^0 < 0$ and $s^0 \neq s^1 = s^2$ weakly.

Up to exchange P and $\bar{P}$, this means that

$$F^0 < 0, \quad s^0 = 1, \quad s^1 \leq 0, \quad s^2 \leq 0,$$

i.e.

$$\bar{p}^0 > p^0, \quad \bar{p}^1 \leq p^1, \quad \bar{p}^2 \leq p^2, \quad f^0(\bar{p}^0) < f^0(p^0) \leq \bar{\lambda}^0.$$

Hence

$$\bar{p}^0 > u_-^0(\bar{\lambda}^0).$$

³The proof of inequality (50) is a short proof. Still it is quite difficult to guess that proof from scratch (and also the expression of the germ $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$) and it needs a lot of tries. Notice that each component of P and $\bar{P}$ can be either in the nondecreasing (i.e. fluid) or nonincreasing (i.e. congested) part of the flux. A first (tedious) proof was done distinguishing $(2^3)^2 = 64$ cases, and using a much more complicate (and equivalent) expression of $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$. Finally, the proof we give here is easy to follow line by line but is absolutely not intuitive.

Recall that

$$f^{1,+}(\bar{p}^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0)), \quad f^{2,+}(\bar{p}^2) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0))$$

and in particular

$$f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0) \geq \bar{\lambda}^0, \quad f^{1,+}(\bar{p}^1) \geq \bar{\lambda}^1, \quad f^{2,+}(\bar{p}^2) \geq \bar{\lambda}^2$$

where we have used the fact that $\hat{\lambda}^k(f_{\max}^0) = \hat{\lambda}^k(\bar{\lambda}^0) = \bar{\lambda}^k$ for $k = 1, 2$. Therefore, since $f^k(\bar{p}^k) \leq \bar{\lambda}^k$, we have

$$\begin{cases} \bar{p}^1 \in \{u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1)\} \cup [u_-^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), c^1] \\ \bar{p}^2 \in \{u_+^2(\bar{\lambda}^2)\} \cup [u_-^2(\bar{\lambda}^2), c^2]. \end{cases}$$

This implies that

$$f^1(p^1) \leq f^1(\bar{p}^1), \quad f^2(p^2) \leq f^2(\bar{p}^2)$$

and then

$$f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1) + f^2(p^2) \leq f^1(\bar{p}^1) + f^2(\bar{p}^2) = f^0(\bar{p}^0) < f^0(p^0).$$

Contradiction.

Case B: $s^1 F^1 > 0$ and $s^1 \neq s^0 = s^2$ weakly.

Up to exchange P and $\bar{P}$, this means that

$$F^1 > 0, \quad s^1 = 1, \quad s^0 \leq 0, \quad s^2 \leq 0,$$

i.e.

$$f^1(\bar{p}^1) > f^1(p^1), \quad \bar{p}^1 > p^1, \quad \bar{p}^0 \leq p^0, \quad \bar{p}^2 \leq p^2.$$

Recall also that

$$\begin{cases} f^{1,+}(p^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)), & f^{2,+}(p^2) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(f^{0,+}(p^0)) \\ f^{1,+}(\bar{p}^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0)), & f^{2,+}(\bar{p}^2) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0)). \end{cases}$$

Case B.1: $p^0 \geq u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}^0)$. Then

$$f^{1,+}(p^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)) = \bar{\lambda}^1$$

and

$$p^1 \geq u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1)$$

which implies

$$f^1(\bar{p}^1) \leq f^1(p^1).$$

Contradiction.

Case B.2: $p^0 < u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}^0)$. Hence we have

$$\bar{p}^0 \leq p^0 < u_+^0(\bar{\lambda}^0)$$

and then

$$F^0 \leq 0.$$

Using the fact that $F^1 > 0$, we get $F^2 < 0$. This implies that

$$\begin{cases} \bar{p}^1 > p^1, & \bar{p}^2 < p^2 \\ f^1(\bar{p}^1) > f^1(p^1), & f^2(\bar{p}^2) < f^2(p^2). \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$p^1 < u_+^1(\bar{\lambda}^1), \quad \bar{p}^2 < u_+^2(\bar{\lambda}^2).$$

Moreover

$$\begin{cases} f^1(p^1) = f^{1,+}(p^1) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(f^{0,+}(p^0)) \geq \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda), & \lambda := f^0(p^0) \\ f^2(\bar{p}^2) = f^{2,+}(\bar{p}^2) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(f^{0,+}(\bar{p}^0)) \geq \hat{\lambda}^2(\bar{\lambda}), & \bar{\lambda} := f^0(\bar{p}^0) \leq \lambda. \end{cases}$$

This implies in particular (using $\hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}) + \hat{\lambda}^2(\bar{\lambda}) = \bar{\lambda} = f^1(\bar{p}^1) + f^2(\bar{p}^2)$) that

$$f^1(\bar{p}^1) \leq \hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}).$$

Using the monotonicity of the map $\lambda \mapsto \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda)$, we get

$$f^1(\bar{p}^1) \leq \hat{\lambda}^1(\bar{\lambda}) \leq \hat{\lambda}^1(\lambda) \leq f^1(p^1).$$

Contradiction with $f^1(\bar{p}^1) > f^1(p^1)$.

This completes the proof of the lemma. $\square$

2.2.4 Proof of Theorem 2.1

Proof of Theorem 2.1. The proof of Theorem 2.1 is a straightforward application of Lemma 2.14, which says that $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$ is a germ, and of Lemma 2.13, which proves at the same time its maximality and the fact that it is generated by $E_\Lambda^+ = \Gamma \cup \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$. $\square$

3 Construction of the correctors

In this section, we build a corrector associated to a density at $-\infty$ equal to some $p^0 \in [a^0, c^0]$ such that

$$\int_0^1 A(t) dt \geq f^0(p^0). \quad (51)$$

Let us recall that a corrector is a time-periodic solution to the mesoscopic model (9), which is equal to p^0 at $-\infty$.

The construction of the corrector relies, on the one hand, on the equivalence between Hamilton-Jacobi equations and conservation laws in one space dimension and, on the other hand, on representation formulas for solutions of Hamilton-Jacobi equations for concave Hamiltonians. We proceed in four steps. We start with a general construction of a periodic in time solution to a Hamilton-Jacobi equation on a half-line $(0, +\infty)$, with a periodic Dirichlet condition at $x = 0$ (Lemma 3.1). We apply this construction to the entry line (road 0) for a junction condition problem (Lemma 3.5). The surprising fact is that this construction can be achieved independently of the outgoing roads 1 and 2. The reason for this is that, in the periodic regime, the flux entering roads 1 and 2 will be at each time the maximal flux coming from road 0: thus no information coming from the outgoing roads is needed to build the solution on the incoming road. Given the flux exiting road 0, one can solve the Hamilton-Jacobi problem on the exit lines 1 and 2 (Lemma 3.10) thanks again to the general construction of Lemma 3.1. In the fourth step we glue the solutions together and show that they form a periodic solution to the conservation law (9) (Proposition 3.12 for the fluid regime and Proposition 3.13 for regimes in which one of the outgoing branches is fully congested).

3.1 A periodic solution to a HJ equation on a half-line

In this section, we assume that

$$\begin{aligned} f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is a strictly increasing map which is of class } C^2 \text{ and strongly concave:} \\ f''(p) \leq -\delta < 0 \text{ for any } p \in [a, b], \text{ for some constant } \delta > 0 \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is a Lipschitz continuous map, which is 1-periodic} \\ \text{and satisfies } \psi'(t) \in [-f(b), -f(a)] \quad \text{a.e. } t \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

We consider the Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \partial_x w \in [a, b] & \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty), \\ (ii) & \partial_t w + f(\partial_x w) = 0 & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0, \\ (iii) & w(t, 0) = \psi(t) & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad (54)$$

Inspired by the Lax-Oleinik formula and by optimal control on junctions (see for instance [31]), we can guess a representation of the solution. The following result checks afterwards that the candidate is indeed the unique solution.

Lemma 3.1. (Explicit time-periodic solution of the HJ equation)

Under the assumptions (52) and (53) on f and ψ , there exists a unique time-periodic Lipschitz continuous viscosity solution $w : \mathbb{R} \times [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to (54) which is of time period equal to 1. It is given by

$$w(t, x) = \sup_{t_1 \leq t} \psi(t_1) - \xi(t - t_1, x) \quad (55)$$

where the map $\xi : [0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$\xi(s, y) = \max_{p \in [a, b]} -py + sf(p) \quad \forall s \geq 0, y \geq 0.$$

Proof. Step 1: Uniqueness of the solution to (54).

We only sketch the proof, arguing as if the two solutions w and $\bar{w}$ of (54) were smooth: the general case can be treated by standard viscosity techniques. Arguing by contradiction, we assume that $\sup w - \bar{w} > 0$. Then we look at the maximum of $w(t, x) - \bar{w}(t, x) - \epsilon x^2$ (for $\epsilon > 0$ small). At the maximum point (t, x) one gets $\partial_t w = \partial_t \bar{w}$ and $\partial_x w = \partial_x \bar{w} + 2\epsilon x$ with $x > 0$ (since $w = \bar{w}$ at $x = 0$), so that

$$0 \geq \partial_t w + f(\partial_x w) - \partial_t \bar{w} - f(\partial_x \bar{w}) = f(\partial_x \bar{w} + 2\epsilon x) - f(\partial_x \bar{w}) > 0,$$

as $x > 0$ and f is increasing. This leads to a contradiction.

In order to proceed, we first need to rule out the case in which ψ is constant. In this case the solution to (54) is given by $w(t, x) = \psi + p^*x$ where $p^* \in [a, b]$ is such that $f(p^*) = 0$. On the other hand we have by (53) that $0 \in [f(a), f(b)]$. Using Lemma 3.2 below, one can easily check that the optimal s in the expression of $w(t, x) = \psi - \inf_{s \geq 0} \xi(s, x)$ is given by $s^* = x/f'(p^*)$ and then $\xi(s^*, x) = -p^*x$ which gives the correct expression for w .

From now on we assume that ψ is not constant. We note for later use that this implies that $f(a) < 0$ and $f(b) > 0$ because $-\psi' \in [f(a), f(b)]$ and ψ is periodic and not constant. We suppose in addition that ψ is of class C^1 and satisfies $\psi'(t) < -f(a)$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$. This extra condition is removed at the very end of the proof.

Step 2: w is globally Lipschitz continuous on $\mathbb{R} \times [0, +\infty)$

We first note that the sup in the definition of w is in fact a max, because ψ is bounded and, as $\sup_{p \in [a, b]} f(p)$ is positive,

$$\lim_{t_1 \rightarrow -\infty} \left\{ \inf_{x \in [0, R]} \xi(t - t_1, x) \right\} = +\infty \quad \forall R > 0. \quad (56)$$

In particular w is uniformly bounded on any strip $\mathbb{R} \times [0, R]$. As explained in Lemma 3.2, the map $(s, y) \rightarrow \xi(s, y)$ is globally Lipschitz continuous and bounded in $C^{1,1}$ in $[0, \infty) \times [\epsilon, +\infty)$ (for any $\epsilon > 0$), with

$$\partial_y \xi(s, y) = -\bar{p}, \quad \partial_s \xi(s, y) = f(\bar{p}),$$

where $\bar{p}$ is the unique maximum in the definition of $\xi(s, y)$. Since w can be rewritten as

$$w(t, x) = \sup_{t_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \psi(t_1 \wedge t) - \xi(t - (t_1 \wedge t), x)$$

it is globally Lipschitz continuous on $[0, +\infty)^2$.

Step 3: w is locally semiconvex in time-space

Next we check that w is locally semiconvex in time-space in $\mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty)$: we use this property below to check that w is a solution. This local semiconvexity is not straightforward because $w(t, x)$ is defined as a supremum of an expression on the interval $(-\infty, t]$ which itself depends on the variable t . In order to overcome this difficulty, we will show that the maximum time $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1$ in the definition of $w(t, x)$ is indeed

strictly less than t (with some bound), which will allow us to replace locally the interval $(-\infty, t]$ by some smaller interval locally independent on t . For the proof, let us introduce a few notation. Given $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$, let $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1 \leq t$ be a maximum point in the definition of $w(t, x)$ and $\hat{p}_{t,x} \in [a, b]$ be the unique maximum point in the definition of $\xi(t - \hat{t}_{t,x}^1, x)$. We next claim that, for any $0 < \epsilon < 1$, there exists $\eta > 0$ such that, if $x \in [\epsilon, 1/\epsilon]$, then $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1 \leq t - \eta$. Indeed, otherwise, there exists a sequence (t_n, x_n) such that $x_n \in [\epsilon, 1/\epsilon]$, $\hat{t}_{t_n, x_n}^1 > t_n - 1/n$. By periodicity we can assume without loss of generality that $t_n \in [0, 1]$ and converges to some t and that (x_n) converges to some $x \in [\epsilon, 1/\epsilon]$. Then $\hat{t}_{t_n, x_n}^1$ converges to t , which is a maximum point in the definition of $w(t, x)$, and $\hat{p}_{t_n, x_n}$ converges to some $\bar{p} \in [a, b]$, which is the unique maximum point in the definition of $\xi(0, x)$. As $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1 = t$ is a maximum for $w(t, x)$, we get by the optimality conditions (using the additional regularity $\psi \in C^1$),

$$\psi'(t) \geq -\partial_s \xi(0, x) = -f(\bar{p}) = -f(a),$$

because the unique maximizer $\bar{p}$ of $p \rightarrow -px$ on $[a, b]$ is $\bar{p} = a$. This contradicts our additional assumption that $\psi' < -f(a)$ and shows that there exists $\eta > 0$ such that, if $x \in [\epsilon, 1/\epsilon]$, then $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1 \leq t - \eta$.

As a consequence, given $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$, there exists a neighborhood $\mathcal{V}$ of (t, x) and $\eta' > 0$ such that,

$$w(s, y) = \sup_{t_1 \leq t - \eta'} \psi(t_1) - \xi(s - t_1, y), \quad y \geq x/2 \quad \forall (s, y) \in \mathcal{V}.$$

Note that the upper bound for t_1 in the above problem is now independent of (s, y) . Recalling that ξ is bounded in $C^{1,1}$ in $[0, \infty) \times [x/2, \infty)$, this shows the semiconvexity of w in $\mathcal{V}$.

Step 4: w is solution of (54).

As f is uniformly concave and w locally semiconvex, w satisfies the equation in (54) in the viscosity sense if and only if it satisfies this equation at any point of differentiability. Let $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$ be a point of differentiability of w . By the envelop theorem (Theorem A.5), for any optimizer $\hat{t}_{t,x}^1 < t$ for $w(t, x)$ and if $\hat{p}_{t,x} \in [a, b]$ is the unique maximizer for $\xi(t - \hat{t}_{t,x}^1, x)$, we get

$$\partial_x w(t, x) = -\partial_y \xi(t - \hat{t}_{t,x}^1, x) = \hat{p}_{t,x}, \quad \partial_t w(t, x) = -\partial_s \xi(t - \hat{t}_{t,x}^1, x) = -f(\hat{p}_{t,x}).$$

Thus

$$\partial_t w + f(\partial_x w) = -f(\hat{p}_{t,x}) + f(\hat{p}_{t,x}) = 0.$$

This shows that w satisfies the equation in (54) and that $\partial_x w \in [a, b]$ a.e..

For the boundary condition, we first note that (choosing $t_1 = t$ as a competitor)

$$w(t, 0) \geq -\psi(t) - \xi(0, 0) = \psi(t).$$

Moreover,

$$w(t, 0) = \psi(\hat{t}_{t,0}^1) - (t - \hat{t}_{t,0}^1) \max_{p \in [a,b]} f(p) = \psi(\hat{t}_{t,0}^1) - (t - \hat{t}_{t,0}^1) f(b).$$

If, contrary to our claim, we had $w(t, 0) > \psi(t)$, then one would have $\hat{t}_{t,0}^1 < t$ and

$$(t - \hat{t}_{t,0}^1) f(b) < \psi(\hat{t}_{t,0}^1) - \psi(t) = - \int_{\hat{t}_{t,0}^1}^t \psi'(s) ds \leq (t - \hat{t}_{t,0}^1) f(b),$$

which is impossible since $f(b) > 0$. Hence $w(t, 0) = -\psi(t)$.

Step 5: Conclusion.

We finally remove the extra assumption that $\psi \in C^1$ and satisfies $\psi' < -f(a)$: let (ψ^n) be a sequence of smooth periodic maps satisfying $-f(b) \leq (\psi^n)' < -f(a)$ and which converges to ψ (such a sequence exists since $-f(b) \leq \psi' \leq -f(a)$ a.e.). Let w^n be given by (55) for ψ^n in place of ψ . Then w^n solves the HJ equation for ψ^n and, by stability, converges locally uniformly to the unique viscosity solution of the problem with ψ . Note that (54)-(i) holds as well by $L^\infty - *$ convergence of $\partial_x w^n$ to $\partial_x w$. $\square$

It remains to state and check the intermediate lemma.

Lemma 3.2. (Properties of the fundamental solution ξ)

The map ξ defined by

$$\xi(s, y) = \max_{p \in [a, b]} -py + sf(p) \quad \forall s \geq 0, y \geq 0.$$

is globally Lipschitz continuous in $[0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$ and bounded in $C^{1,1}$ in $[0, \infty)_s \times [\epsilon, \infty)_y$ for any $\epsilon > 0$. Moreover, ξ is differentiable at any (s, y) with $s > 0$ and

$$\partial_y \xi(s, y) = -\hat{p}_{s,y}, \quad \partial_s \xi(s, y) = f(\hat{p}_{s,y}), \quad (57)$$

where $\hat{p}_{s,y}$ is the unique point of maximum in the definition of $\xi(s, y)$ and is given by

$$\hat{p}_{s,y} = \begin{cases} (f')^{-1}(y/s) & \text{if } y/s \in (f'(b), f'(a)) \\ b & \text{if } y/s \leq f'(b) \\ a & \text{if } y/s \geq f'(a) \end{cases} \quad (58)$$

Proof. As f is increasing and strongly concave, the point of maximum $\hat{p}_{s,y}$ in the definition of $\xi(s, y)$ is unique for $s > 0$ and $y \in [0, \infty)$ and given by (58). Thus, by the envelope theorem (Theorem A.5), ξ is differentiable at any (s, y) with $s > 0$ and its derivatives are given by (57). As $\hat{p}_{s,y}$ is bounded, this implies that ξ is globally Lipschitz continuous in $[0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$.

It remains to show that $(s, y) \rightarrow \hat{p}_{s,y}$ is Lipschitz continuous in $[0, \infty) \times [\epsilon, \infty)$ (where $\epsilon > 0$ is fixed). As f is strongly concave, f' is decreasing. Since f is increasing, this implies that $f'(a) > 0$.

Using again that f is strongly concave with $f'' \leq -\delta < 0$, we see that $-C_0 \leq ((f')^{-1})' \leq 0$ with $C_0 = 1/\delta$. Let $(s, y), (s', y') \in (0, \infty) \times [\epsilon, \infty)$ be such that (to fix the ideas) $y/s \leq y'/s'$, and then $\hat{p}_{s',y'} \leq \hat{p}_{s,y}$. The idea consists in using ϵ in order to control y, y' , which will in turn control also s, s' in some sense.

Without loss of generality we can also assume that $y/s < f'(a)$ since otherwise $\hat{p}_{s,y} = a = \hat{p}_{s',y'}$. We have

$$|\hat{p}_{s',y'} - \hat{p}_{s,y}| \leq C_0 \left| \frac{y'}{s'} \wedge f'(a) - \frac{y}{s} \vee f'(b) \right| \leq C_0 \left(\frac{y'}{s'} \wedge f'(a) - \frac{y}{s} \right).$$

Let us first suppose that $y/s, y'/s' \leq f'(a)$. As $y, y' \geq \epsilon$, we get $1/s' \leq f'(a)/y' \leq f'(a)/\epsilon$. Hence

$$|\hat{p}_{s',y'} - \hat{p}_{s,y}| \leq C_0 \left(\frac{1}{s'} |y' - y| + \frac{y}{ss'} |s - s'| \right) \leq C_0 \left(\frac{f'(a)}{\epsilon} |y' - y| + \frac{(f'(a))^2}{\epsilon} |s - s'| \right).$$

Finally, if $y'/s' \geq f'(a)$ and $y/s < f'(a)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{p}_{s',y'} - \hat{p}_{s,y}| &\leq C_0 \left(f'(a) - \frac{y'}{s} + \frac{y'}{s} - \frac{y}{s} \right) \leq C_0 \left(f'(a) \left(1 - \frac{s'}{s}\right) + \frac{f'(a)}{\epsilon} |y' - y| \right) \\ &\leq C_0 \left(\frac{(f'(a))^2}{\epsilon} |s' - s| + \frac{f'(a)}{\epsilon} |y' - y| \right). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that the map $(s, y) \rightarrow \hat{p}_{s,y}$ is Lipschitz continuous in $(0, \infty) \times [\epsilon, \infty)$, and thus on $[0, +\infty) \times [\epsilon, +\infty)$. Therefore ξ is bounded in $C^{1,1}$ in this set. $\square$

In order to show that the correctors will have the good behavior at infinity, we have to examine carefully the behavior of the solution of the HJ equation at infinity.

Lemma 3.3 (behavior of the solution at ∞). *Assume that conditions (52) and (53) on f and ψ hold and that $0 \in [a, b]$ with $f(0) = 0$. Then the solution w of (54) is bounded and there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\|\partial_x w\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \quad \forall M \geq C. \quad (59)$$

Remark 3.4. We can actually show that there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\|w - \max \psi\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \quad \forall M \geq C.$$

The bound $w \leq \max \psi$ follows by comparison, while the other bound is obtained using the uniform concavity of f in the representation formula.

Proof. We can assume without loss of generality that $a < 0 < b$ since, if $a = 0$ or $b = 0$, then by (53) ψ must be constant and therefore, since $f(0) = 0$, $w = \psi$ is also constant.

As $w^+(t, x) = \|\psi\|_\infty$ and $w^-(t, x) = -\|\psi\|_\infty$ are respectively time-periodic super- and sub-solution of the equation, we have $|w| \leq \|\psi\|_\infty$ by comparison.

We now turn to the proof of (59). Given any $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty)$ a point of differentiability of w , consider some optimizer $\hat{t}_1 \leq t$ for $w(t, x)$ and $\hat{p}$ the optimizer in the definition of $\xi(t - \hat{t}_1, x)$. From the proof of Lemma 3.1, we know that $\hat{t}_1 < t$ and that $\partial_x w(t, x) = \hat{p}$. So, to prove (59), we just need to estimate $\hat{p}$.

Recalling Lemma 3.2 again, we have

$$\partial_s \xi(s, y) = f(\hat{p}) \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{p} = -\partial_x \xi(s, y) = (f')^{-1}((T_{f'(b)}^{f'(a)}(y/s))), \quad T_\alpha^\beta(z) = \max(\alpha, \min(\beta, z)).$$

Hence $f(0) = 0$ implies

$$\begin{cases} \partial_s \xi(s, y) < 0 & \text{if } y/s > f'(0), \\ \partial_s \xi(s, y) > 0 & \text{if } y/s < f'(0). \end{cases}$$

We claim that $x/(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1) \leq f'(0)$. Indeed, otherwise, $x/(t - \hat{t}_1) \geq x/(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1) > f'(0)$ and thus $\xi(\cdot, x)$ is decreasing on $[t - \hat{t}_1, t - \hat{t}_1 + 1]$. This implies, as ψ is 1-periodic, that

$$\psi(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1) - \xi(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1, x) > \psi(t - \hat{t}_1) - \xi(t - \hat{t}_1, x) = w(t, x),$$

a contradiction because $t_1 = \hat{t}_1 - 1$ is a competitor in the definition of $w(t, x)$. Thus $x/(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1) \leq f'(0)$.

In the same way one can check that, if $\hat{t}_1 + 1 < t$, then $x/(t - \hat{t}_1 - 1) \geq f'(0)$, using $t_1 = \hat{t}_1 + 1$ as a competitor in the definition of $w(t, x)$. Let us check that indeed $\hat{t}_1 + 1 < t$ if x is large enough: otherwise, $|t - \hat{t}_1| \leq 1$ and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} w(t, x) &= \psi(t - \hat{t}_1) + \min_{p \in [a, b]} \{px - (t - \hat{t}_1)f(p)\} \leq \|\psi\|_\infty + \|f\|_\infty + \min_{p \in [a, b]} px \\ &= \|\psi\|_\infty + \|f\|_\infty + ax, \end{aligned}$$

which yields to a contradiction if x is large enough, because $a < 0$ and w is bounded.

The two estimates on $x/(t - \hat{t}_1 + 1)$ and $x/(t - \hat{t}_1 - 1)$ imply that, for x large enough,

$$|x - f'(0)(t - \hat{t}_1)| \leq f'(0),$$

where $f'(0) > 0$. Thus, for x large enough, $x/(t - \hat{t}_1)$ is close to $f'(0) \in (f'(b), f'(a))$ and therefore for x large enough

$$|\hat{p}| = \left| (f')^{-1} \left(T_{f'(b)}^{f'(a)} \left(\frac{x}{t - \hat{t}_1} \right) \right) \right| = \left| (f')^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{t - \hat{t}_1} \right) - (f')^{-1}(f'(0)) \right| \leq C \left| \frac{x}{t - \hat{t}_1} - f'(0) \right| \leq \frac{C}{t - \hat{t}_1} \leq \frac{C}{x}.$$

□

3.2 Periodic solutions to a HJ equation on the entry line

We build in this part an antiderivative of the corrector on the incoming road $\mathcal{R}^0$. We suppose here that f^0 satisfies (1) and that the flux limiter A satisfies (5) and (6). For $p^0 \in [a^0, c^0]$ such that (51) holds, let

$$\tilde{f}_{p^0}^0(p) = f^0(p + p^0) - f^0(p^0) \quad \text{for } p \in [a^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0], \quad (60)$$

so that $\tilde{f}_{p^0}^0(0) = 0$ and $0 \in [a_0 - p_0, c_0 - p_0]$. We consider the periodic in time viscosity solution $w_{p^0}^0$ to the HJ equation

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \partial_x w^0 \in [a^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0] & \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0), \\ (ii) & \partial_t w^0 + \tilde{f}^0(\partial_x w^0) = 0 & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}, x < 0 \\ (iii) & \partial_t w^0 + \min\{A(t) - f^0(p^0), \tilde{f}^{0,+}(\partial_x w^0)\} = 0 & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}, x = 0 \end{cases} \quad (61)$$

By a solution, we mean that $w_{p^0}^0$ is continuous on $[0, +\infty) \times (-\infty, 0]$ and is a viscosity solution in the sense of [31] to (61)-(i)-(ii)-(iii) on each open interval on which A is constant. It is easy to check that the whole theory developed in [31] generalizes to this simple time-dependent setting. Notice that, if w^0 is a solution of (61), then $w^0 + c$ is also a solution for any constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Still we have the following existence result.

Lemma 3.5 (Explicit time-periodic solution in the incoming road). *Assume that f^0 satisfies (1) and that (5) and (6) hold. Let p^0 be such that $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ and (51) holds, or $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right)$. Then there exists a bounded, Lipschitz continuous and time-periodic solution $w_{p^0}^0$ to (61), with period 1, which is given by the representation formula*

$$w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = \begin{cases} \max \left\{ 0, \max_{t_2 \leq t} \{ \psi_{p^0}(t_2) - \xi_{p^0}^0(t - t_2, x) \} \right\}, & \text{if } p^0 \in [a^0, b^0], \\ \max_{t_2 \leq t} \left\{ \psi_{p^0}(t_2) - \xi_{p^0}^0(t - t_2, x) \right\}, & \text{if } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right), \end{cases} \quad (62)$$

where

$$\xi_{p^0}^0(s, y) = \max_{p \in [b^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]} -py + s\tilde{f}_{p^0}^0(p) \quad \forall s \geq 0, y \leq 0$$

and

$$\psi_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} \max_{t_1 \leq t} \left\{ \int_{t_1}^t (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds \right\} & \text{if } p^0 \in [a^0, b^0], \\ \int_0^t (f^0(p^0) - A(s)) ds & \text{if } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right). \end{cases} \quad (63)$$

In addition, there exists a constant $C > 0$ (depending on p^0), such that

$$w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = 0 \quad \text{for } x \leq -C, t \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{if } p^0 \in [a^0, b^0],$$

$$\text{and} \quad \|\partial_x w_{p^0}^0\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, M))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \quad \text{for } M \geq C \quad \text{if } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right) \quad \text{with } p^0 \in (b^0, c^0]. \quad (64)$$

Finally,

$$w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R},$$

and, if $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$, the map $x \mapsto w_{p^0}^0(t, x)$ is nondecreasing on $(-\infty, 0]$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Recall that the map ψ_{p^0} (for $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$) was introduced in Lemma 2.5 when building the homogenized germ $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$.

Remark 3.6. Notice that in case $p^0 \in (b^0, c^0]$, it is possible to construct explicit examples of solutions where $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x)$ has no compact support in the space variable x , but tends to zero as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

Proof. Note first that, if $p^0 = b^0$ satisfies (51), then $w_{p^0}^0 = 0$ is the solution to (61) because in this (very particular) case, assumption (6) implies that $A(t) = f_{\max}^0$. From now on we assume that

$$p^0 \neq b^0.$$

As p^0 is fixed, we remove the subscript p^0 throughout the proof for simplicity of notation. Note that, if $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$, $0 < b^0 - p^0 < c^0 - p^0$ and thus the map $y \mapsto \xi^0(s, y)$ is decreasing on $(-\infty, 0]$ for any $s \geq 0$. Hence the map $x \mapsto w_{p^0}^0(t, x)$ is nondecreasing on $(-\infty, 0]$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Step 1: w^0 is a viscosity solution to the HJ equation (61)-(ii). If $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ is such that (51) holds, Lemma 2.5 states that the map ψ_{p^0} is Lipschitz continuous and 1-periodic and we can rewrite $w^0 = w_{p^0}^0$ in the form

$$w^0(t, x) = \max \left\{ 0, \tilde{w}^0(t, x) \right\} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{w}^0(t, x) = \max_{t_2 \leq t} \{ \psi_{p^0}(t_2) - \xi^0(t - t_2, x) \}.$$

In the case $p^0 = (f^0, -)^{-1}(\int_0^1 A(s)ds)$, the map ψ_{p^0} is also Lipschitz continuous and 1-periodic and we set $\tilde{w}^0 := w^0$. Our aim is to use Lemma 3.1 to check that $\tilde{w}^0$ is a viscosity solution to the HJ equation (61)-(ii). For this we change variable and set

$$\hat{w}^0(t, x) = \tilde{w}^0(t, -x) = \max_{t_2 \leq t} \{\psi_{p^0}(t_2) - \xi_{p^0}^0(t - t_2, x)\}, \quad t \geq 0, x \geq 0,$$

where

$$\hat{\xi}^0(s, y) = \max_{p \in [-c^0 + p^0, -b^0 + p^0]} -py + s\tilde{f}^0(-p) \quad s \geq 0, y \geq 0.$$

Note that the map $p \mapsto \tilde{f}^0(-p)$ is uniformly concave and strictly increasing on $[-c^0 + p^0, -b^0 + p^0]$. In addition, the maps ψ_{p^0} defined in (63) is Lipschitz continuous, 1-periodic and satisfies, by Lemma 2.5,

$$\psi'_{p^0}(t) \in \{0, f^0(p^0) - A(t)\} \subset [-\tilde{f}^0(-(-b^0 + p^0)), -\tilde{f}^0(-(-c^0 + p^0))] \quad \text{a.e. } t \in \mathbb{R},$$

where, for the proof of the inclusion, we used (6) and the equality

$$[-\tilde{f}^0(-(-b^0 + p^0)), -\tilde{f}^0(-(-c^0 + p^0))] = [-f_{\max}^0 + f^0(p^0), f^0(p^0)].$$

Therefore we can apply Lemma 3.1 which states that $\hat{w}^0$ is globally Lipschitz continuous, 1-periodic in time, and satisfies the HJ equation (54) in $\mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty)$ for $f(p) = \tilde{f}^0(-p)$ and the boundary condition $\hat{w}^0(\cdot, 0) = \psi_{p^0}$. This implies that $\tilde{w}^0(t, x) = \hat{w}^0(t, -x)$ is a Lipschitz continuous viscosity solution of (61)-(i) and (61)-(ii) in $\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0)$, with $\tilde{w}^0(\cdot, 0) = \psi_{p^0}$.

Assume now that $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$. As $\tilde{f}^0$ is concave and the constant map $(t, x) \mapsto 0$ is also a solution of (61)-(ii) in $\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0)$, w^0 is also a viscosity solution of (61)-(ii) in $\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0)$. In addition, (61)-(i) holds since $0 \in [a^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]$ and $\partial_x \tilde{w}^0 \in [a^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]$. Note finally that $w^0(\cdot, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(\cdot)$ as $\psi_{p^0} \geq 0$.

Step 2: w^0 bounded and satisfies (64). As $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$, Lemma 3.3 states that $\hat{w}^0$ and thus w^0 are bounded.

Let us first assume that $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$. Fix $x < 0$ and $t_2 \leq t$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{p \in [b^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]} px - (t - t_2)\tilde{f}^0(p) &\leq (b^0 - p^0)x + \min_{p \in [b^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]} \{-(t - t_2)\tilde{f}^0(p)\} \\ &= (b^0 - p^0)x - (t - t_2)(f_{\max}^0 - f^0(p^0)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\tilde{w}^0(t, x) \leq (b^0 - p^0)x + \max_{t_1 \leq t_2 \leq t} \left\{ -\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (A(s) - f^0(p^0))ds - (t - t_2)(f_{\max}^0 - f^0(p^0)) \right\}.$$

We note that the map

$$t \mapsto \max_{t_1 \leq t_2 \leq t} \left\{ -\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (A(s) - f^0(p^0))ds - (t - t_2)(f_{\max}^0 - f^0(p^0)) \right\}$$

is a continuous, periodic function. Hence it is bounded. As $p^0 < b^0$, this shows the existence of $C > 0$ such that, for any $x \leq -C$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\tilde{w}^0(t, x) \leq 0$. Therefore (64) holds in this case.

In the case $p^0 = b^0$, it is easy to see that $A = f_{\max}^0$ and then $\psi_{p^0} = 0$, which implies that $w_{p^0}^0 = 0$ is solution. Hence (64) holds in this case.

Finally, we consider the case $p^0 = (f^0, -)^{-1}(\int_0^1 A(s)ds) > b^0$. Then (64) follows from Lemma 3.3 and a change of variables.

Step 3: w^0 satisfies the boundary condition (61)-(iii).

For proving the supersolution property, we just need to check that $w^0(\cdot, 0)$ is Lipschitz continuous and satisfies $\partial_t w^0(t, 0) + A(t) - f^0(p^0) \geq 0$ a.e. (cf. [31, Theorem 2.11]). Recalling that $w^0(\cdot, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(\cdot)$, this inequality is obvious if $p^0 = (f^0, -)^{-1}(\int_0^1 A(s)ds)$. If $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$, it holds thanks to Lemma 2.5.

Next we turn to the subsolution property. Assume that $\varphi(t, x) := \alpha(t) + q^0 x$ is a C^1 test function touching w^0 from above at $(t_0, 0)$, where t_0 is a point of continuity of A and with (condition (2.12) in [31, Theorem 2.7])

$$A(t_0) - f^0(p^0) = \tilde{f}^0(q^0) = \tilde{f}^{0,-}(q^0). \quad (65)$$

We have to prove that $\alpha'(t_0) + A(t_0) - f^0(p^0) \leq 0$. Without loss of generality, we can assume that $\alpha(t_0) = w^0(t_0, 0)$.

Assume first that $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1}(\int_0^1 A(s)ds)$. Then, for $h \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\alpha(t_0+h) = \varphi(t_0+h, 0) \geq w^0(t_0+h, 0) = w^0(t_0, 0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s))ds = \alpha(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s))ds,$$

which proves that $\alpha'(t_0) = f^0(p^0) - A(t_0)$.

We now assume that $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$. Let $\hat{t}_1 \leq t_0$ be optimal in the definition of $\psi_{p^0}(t_0)$ in (63). We claim that $\hat{t}_1 < t_0$. Indeed, otherwise, $\hat{t}_1 = t_0$ and thus $w^0(t_0, 0) = 0 = \alpha(t_0)$. So, for any $x < 0$,

$$\varphi(t_0, x) = q^0 x \geq w^0(t_0, x) \geq 0,$$

which implies that $q^0 \leq 0$. But (65) says that $q^0 \in [b^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0]$, where $b^0 - p^0 > 0$, a contradiction.

As $\hat{t}_1 < t_0$, for any $h \in \mathbb{R}$ with $|h|$ small,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(t_0+h) &= \varphi(t_0+h, 0) \geq w^0(t_0+h, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(t_0+h) \geq \int_{\hat{t}_1}^{t_0+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s))ds \\ &= w^0(t_0, 0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s))ds = \alpha(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+h} (f^0(p^0) - A(s))ds. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\alpha'(t_0) + A(t_0) - f^0(p^0) = 0$. $\square$

The next step is the computation of the trace $f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0)$, where $w_{p^0}^0$ is the solution of (61). The computation of this trace will be useful for gluing the correctors on each branch. Let us note that, as $w_{p^0}^0$ is a Lipschitz continuous viscosity solution to (61), Lemma A.3 states that $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0$ is a Krushkov entropy solution to the scalar conservation law

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \rho \in [a^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0] \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0), \\ (ii) & \partial_t \rho + \partial_x(\tilde{f}^0(\rho)) = 0 \quad \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}, x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0$ possesses a trace, denoted as $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0^-)$, at $x = 0$ (Theorem A.1), in the sense that there exists a set $\mathcal{N}$ of measure zero in $(-\infty, 0)$ such that, for any $t_1 < t_2$,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in (-\varepsilon, 0) \setminus \mathcal{N}} \|\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, x) - \partial_x w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0^-)\|_{L^1(t_1, t_2)} = 0. \quad (66)$$

By continuity of $f^{0,+}$, we infer the existence of the trace $f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0)$.

Lemma 3.7 (Computation of the trace $f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0)$). *Under the assumption of Lemma 3.5, let $w_{p^0}^0$ be the solution of (61) given in Lemma 3.5. Then*

$$f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) & \text{if } w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = 0 \text{ and } p^0 \in [a^0, b^0] \\ f_{\max}^0 & \text{if } w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) > 0 \text{ or } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1}\left(\int_0^1 A(s)ds\right) \text{ or } p^0 = b^0 \end{cases} \quad \text{a.e. } t \in \mathbb{R} \quad (67)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) &= -\min\left\{A(t) - f^0(p^0), \tilde{f}^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-))\right\} \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}, \\ &= f^0(p^0) - F_{p^0}(t) \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}, \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

where the flux F_{p^0} is defined in (33) for $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ and by

$$F_{p^0}(\cdot) = A(\cdot) \text{ if } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1}\left(\int_0^1 A(s)ds\right) \text{ or } p^0 = b^0. \quad (69)$$

Proof of Lemma 3.7. In the case where $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right)$ or $p^0 = b^0$ the proof is quite simple. Indeed, in those two cases, we have saturation, i.e. $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0 + p^0 \in [b^0, c^0]$ a.e., and then $f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0 + p^0) = f_{\max}^0$, which shows (67). Moreover, we have

$$\partial_t w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) = -\psi'_{p^0}(t) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) - F_{p^0}(t) = 0 = f^0(p^0) - A(t) & \text{by Lemma 2.5 and (6) if } p^0 = b^0 \\ f^0(p^0) - A(t) & \text{by (63) if } p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right) \end{cases}$$

which shows (68).

We now prove the results in the case

$$p^0 \in [a^0, b^0).$$

Step 1: Proof of (67). We first claim that

$$f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x) + p^0) = \begin{cases} f^0(p^0) & \text{if } w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = 0 \\ f_{\max}^0 & \text{if } w_{p^0}^0(t, x) > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{a.e. } (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0). \quad (70)$$

To prove (70), let $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0)$ be a point of differentiability of the Lipschitz map $w_{p^0}^0$. Then, if $w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = 0$, we get $\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = 0$ since $w_{p^0}^0 \geq 0$, and thus (70) holds in this case. Let us now assume that $w_{p^0}^0(t, x) > 0$. Let $\hat{t}_2 \leq t$ be optimal in the definition of $w_{p^0}^0$ in (62). We have already proved (see Step 3 in the proof of Lemma 3.1) that $\hat{t}_2 < t$. Then ξ_{p^0} is differentiable at $(t - \hat{t}_2, x)$ with, by the envelope theorem A.5 used twice,

$$\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = -\partial_x \xi_{p^0}^0(t - \hat{t}_2, x) = \hat{p} \in [b^0 - p^0, c^0 - p^0],$$

where $\hat{p}$ is optimal for $\xi_{p^0}^0(t - \hat{t}_2, x)$. As $f^{0,+}([b^0, c^0]) = \{f_{\max}^0\}$, this shows (70).

Fix $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Recalling that $x \mapsto w_{p^0}^0(t, x)$ is nondecreasing and nonnegative, equality $w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = 0$ implies that $w_{p^0}^0(t, x) = 0$ for any $x \leq 0$. Thus

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \mathbf{1}_{\{w_{p^0}^0(t, x) > 0\}} = \mathbf{1}_{\{w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) > 0\}}.$$

Combining the remark above with (66) and (70) gives (67).

Step 2: proof of (68). We recall that $w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(\cdot)$. Thus, by Lemma 2.5,

$$\partial_t w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = -(A(t) - f^0(p^0)) \quad \text{for a.e. } t \in \mathbb{R} \text{ with } w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) > 0.$$

On the other hand, if $w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) > 0$, then by (67)

$$\tilde{f}^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-)) = f_{\max}^0 - f^0(p^0) \geq A(t) - f^0(p^0),$$

thanks to (6). This proves that (68) holds a.e. in $\{w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0) > 0\}$. Fix now $t \in \mathbb{R}$ a point of continuity of A , of derivability of $w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0)$ and such that $w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = 0$ and (67) holds. Then $\partial_t w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0) = 0$ since $w_{p^0}^0 \geq 0$. As $\hat{t}_1 = t$ is optimal in (63) and A is continuous at t , one necessarily has $A(t) - f^0(p^0) \geq 0$ by optimality, so that by (67)

$$\min \left\{ A(t) - f^0(p^0), \tilde{f}^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-)) \right\} = \min \left\{ A(t) - f^0(p^0), 0 \right\} = 0.$$

This proves the first equality in (68) in $\{w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0) = 0\}$. The second one is just the last statement of Lemma 2.5 since $w_{p^0}^0(t, 0) = \psi_{p^0}(t)$. □

3.3 Periodic solutions to a HJ equation on the exit lines

We proceed with our construction of correctors, now building the correctors on the exit lines. Again we use a representation formula of the solution in terms of a Hamilton-Jacobi equation.

Let $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ satisfying (51) or $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right)$. Let $w_{p^0}^0$ be defined in Lemma 3.5. We fix $j = 1, 2$ and assume that f^j satisfies (1). Recalling the definition of the flux $F_{p^0}^j$ in (33) and (69), we introduce the flux entering the exit-line j (where $j = 1, 2$) as

$$F_{p^0}^j(t) = F_{p^0}^j \mathbf{1}_{I^j}(t) = \begin{cases} \min\{A(t), f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0)\} & \text{if } t \in I^j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where the second equality comes from (68) in Lemma 3.7. Let us also recall the definition of $\hat{p}_{p^0}^j$ introduced in (35) in the case $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$.

Definition 3.8 (The notation $\hat{p}_{p^0}^j$). *Given $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ satisfying (51) or $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right)$, let $\hat{p}_{p^0}^j \in [a^j, b^j]$ (for $j = 1, 2$) be the unique solution to*

$$f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j) = f^{j,+}(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j) = \int_0^1 F_{p^0}^j(t) dt.$$

Remark 3.9. *Note that $\hat{p}_{p^0}^j$ indeed exists and is unique since, by (6) and the definition of $F_{p^0}^j$, $0 \leq \int_0^1 F_{p^0}^j(t) dt \leq f_{\max}^j$ and f^j is one-to-one from $[a^j, b^j]$ to $[0, f_{\max}^j]$.*

Let us now set $\tilde{f}_{p^0}^j(p) = f^j(p + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j) - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)$ for $p \in [a^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j, b^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j]$, and

$$\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j(t) = - \int_0^t (F_{p^0}^j(s) - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)) ds. \quad (71)$$

Note that $\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j$ is a 1-periodic, Lipschitz continuous map, satisfying

$$(\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j)' \in -[-f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j), \max \tilde{f}_{p^0}^j] = -[\tilde{f}_{p^0}^j(a^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j), \tilde{f}_{p^0}^j(b^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j)] \text{ a.e..} \quad (72)$$

Let us consider the time-periodic viscosity solution $w_{p^0}^j$ to the Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \partial_x w^j \in [a^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j, b^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j] & \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty), \\ (ii) & \partial_t w^j + \tilde{f}^j(\partial_x w^j) = 0 & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0, \\ (iii) & w^j(t, 0) = \tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j(t) & \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad (73)$$

Lemma 3.10 (Explicit time-periodic solution in the outgoing roads). *Fix $j = 1, 2$. Assume that f^j satisfies (1) and that (5) and (6) hold. Let $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ satisfying (51) or $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 A(s) ds \right)$ and let $\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j$ be defined in (71). Then, there exists a unique time-periodic Lipschitz continuous viscosity solution $w_{p^0}^j$ to (73), of time period equal to 1. It is given by*

$$w_{p^0}^j(t, x) = \sup_{t_1 \leq t} \{ \tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j(t_1) - \xi_{p^0}^j(t - t_1, x) \}, \quad (74)$$

where the map $\xi_{p^0}^j : [0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

$$\xi_{p^0}^j(s, y) = \max_{p \in [a^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j, b^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j]} -py + s\tilde{f}_{p^0}^j(p) \quad \forall s \geq 0, y \geq 0.$$

Finally, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$\|\partial_x w_{p^0}^j\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \quad \forall M \geq C. \quad (75)$$

Proof. Following Lemma 3.1, $w_{p^0}^j$ defined in (74) is the unique solution to (73) and is Lipschitz continuous because by construction $\tilde{f}_{p^0}^j : [a^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j, b^j - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing and uniformly concave and $\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}$ satisfies (72). As $\tilde{f}_{p^0}^j(0) = 0$, Lemma 3.3 implies that $w_{p^0}^j$ is bounded and satisfies (75). $\square$

In order to make the link with conservation laws, we need the following technical result which will allow us to glue the solutions on the different branches. Fix p^0 as in Lemma 3.10 and let $w_{p^0}^0, \hat{p}_{p^0}^j \in [a^j, b^j]$ and $w_{p^0}^j$ be respectively defined by Lemma 3.5, Definition 3.8 and Lemma 3.10. The maps $w_{p^0}^j$ being a solution to the HJ equation (61) (for $j = 0$) and (73) (for $j = 1, 2$), $\partial_x w_{p^0}^j$ is a solution to the corresponding conservation law (Lemma A.3). Therefore $\partial_x w_{p^0}^j$ has a trace at $x = 0$ in the sense of Panov (Theorem A.1).

Lemma 3.11 (Expression of the flux of the traces). *On I^j (for $j = 1, 2$), the trace $(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(\cdot, 0^-), \partial_x w_{p^0}^j(\cdot, 0^+))$ satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} \min \left\{ A(t), f^{0,+}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0), f^{j,-}(\partial_x w_{p^0}^j(t, 0^+) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j) \right\} \\ = f^0(\partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) + p^0) = f^j(\partial_x w_{p^0}^j(t, 0^+) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j) \text{ a.e.,} \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

while on $\mathbb{R} \setminus I^j$, the trace $\partial_x w_{p^0}^j(\cdot, 0^+)$ satisfies

$$f^j(\partial_x w_{p^0}^j(t, 0^+) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j) = 0 \quad \text{a.e..} \quad (77)$$

Proof. Step 1: proof of (76). The main idea is to reduce the problem to a HJ equation on a junction and then to use the equivalence between HJ and conservation law on a simple junction with only two branches given by Lemma A.4. Fix $j = 1, 2$ and let $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \subset I^j$ on which A is constant. We set

$$\begin{cases} W^0(t, x) = w_{p^0}^0(t, x) + p^0 x - f^0(p^0)(t - \tau_1) & \text{in } (\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (-\infty, 0), \\ W^j(t, x) = w_{p^0}^j(t, x) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j x - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)(t - \tau_1) - w_{p^0}^j(\tau_1, 0) + w_{p^0}^0(\tau_1, 0) & \text{in } (\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (0, +\infty), \end{cases} \quad (78)$$

We claim that $W = (W^0, W^j)$ is a viscosity solution to the problem on the 1:1 junction (in the sense of [31]):

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \partial_t W^0 + f^0(\partial_x W^0) = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), x < 0, \\ (ii) & \partial_t W^j + f^j(\partial_x W^j) = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), x > 0, \\ (iii) & W(t, 0) := W^0(t, 0^-) = W^j(t, 0^+) & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), \\ (iv) & \partial_t W(t, 0) + \min\{A(t), f^{0,+}(\partial_x W(t, 0^-)), f^{j,-}(\partial_x W(t, 0^+))\} = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2). \end{cases} \quad (79)$$

Indeed, by construction, $W(\tau_1, 0^-) = W(\tau_1, 0^+)$. By Lemma 3.7, we have

$$\partial_t W(t, 0^-) = \partial_t w_{p^0}^0(t, 0^-) - f^0(p^0) = -F_{p^0}^0(t) = -F_{p^0}^j(t) \quad \text{a.e. in } (\tau_1, \tau_2),$$

while, by the boundary condition satisfied by $w_{p^0}^j$ and the definition of $\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j$ in (71),

$$\partial_t W(t, 0^+) = \partial_t w_{p^0}^j(t, 0^+) - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j) = (\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j)'(t) - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j) = -F_{p^0}^j(t) \quad \text{a.e. in } (\tau_1, \tau_2).$$

Thus equality (iii) in (79) holds. Note also that, by the equation satisfied by $w_{p^0}^0$ and $w_{p^0}^j$, (79)-(i) and (79)-(ii) hold. Let us finally check that the junction condition (79)-(iv) holds in the viscosity sense. As, by the definition of $F_{p^0}^j$,

$$\partial_t W(t, 0) + A(t) = -F_{p^0}^j(t) + A(t) \geq 0 \quad \text{a.e.,}$$

[31, Theorem 2.11] implies that W is a supersolution. For the subsolution property, assume that $\varphi(t, x) := \alpha(t) + q^0 x \mathbf{1}_{x < 0} + q^j \mathbf{1}_{x > 0}$ is a test function touching w^0 from above at $(t_0, 0)$, where $t_0 \in (\tau_1, \tau_2)$ and with (condition (2.12) in [31, Theorem 2.7])

$$A(t) = f^0(q^0) = f^{0,-}(q^0) = f^j(q^j) = f^{j,+}(q^j). \quad (80)$$

We have to prove that $\alpha'(t_0) + A(t) \leq 0$. As the map $(t, x) \mapsto \alpha(t) + q^0 x \mathbf{1}_{x < 0}$ touches locally W from above on $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (-\infty, 0]$ at $(t_0, 0)$, the map $(t, x) \mapsto \alpha(t) + (q^0 - p^0)x \mathbf{1}_{x < 0} + f^0(p^0)(t - \tau_1)$ touches locally $w_{p^0}^0$ from above on $\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0]$ at $(t_0, 0)$. By the equation satisfied by $w_{p^0}^0$, this implies that

$$\alpha'(t_0) + f^0(p^0) + \min\{A(t_0) - f^0(p^0), \tilde{f}^{0,+}(q^0 - p^0)\} \leq 0.$$

Recalling the definition of $\tilde{f}^0$ in (60), the inequality above yields

$$\alpha'(t_0) + \min\{A(t_0), f^{0,+}(q^0)\} \leq 0,$$

where, because of (80) and (6), $f^{0,+}(q^0) = f_{\max}^0 \geq A(t_0)$. Hence $\alpha'(t_0) + A(t_0) \leq 0$. This proves that W is a viscosity solution to (79).

We now rely on Lemma A.4, which implies that the trace $\partial_x W(\cdot, t)$ satisfies

$$\partial_x W(t, 0) \in G \quad \text{a.e. in } (\tau_1, \tau_2),$$

where

$$G = \{(u^0, u^j) \in [a^0, c^0] \times [a^j, c^j], \min\{A(t), f^{0,+}(u^0), f^{j,-}(u^j)\} = f^0(u^0) = f^j(u^j)\}.$$

This is (76).

Step 2: proof of (77). Fix $j \in \{1, 2\}$ and let $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus I^j$ on which A is constant and let $W = (W^0, W^j) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$\begin{cases} W^0(t, x) = w_{p^0}^j(t, 0) + a^j x - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)(t - \tau_1) & \text{in } (\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (-\infty, 0), \\ W^j(t, x) = w_{p^0}^j(t, x) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j x - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)(t - \tau_1) & \text{in } (\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (0, +\infty), \end{cases} \quad (81)$$

We claim that W is a viscosity solution of the HJ equation on the 1:1 junction

$$\begin{cases} (i) & \partial_t W^0 + f^j(\partial_x W^0) = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), x < 0, \\ (ii) & \partial_t W^j + f^j(\partial_x W^j) = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), x > 0, \\ (iii) & W(t, 0) := W^0(t, 0^-) = W^j(t, 0^+) & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2), \\ (iv) & \partial_t W(t, 0) + \min\{0, f^{j,+}(\partial_x W^0(t, 0^-)), f^{j,-}(\partial_x W^j(t, 0^+))\} = 0 & \text{for } t \in (\tau_1, \tau_2). \end{cases} \quad (82)$$

Indeed, by construction, W is continuous and conditions (ii) and (iii) hold. On $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \times (-\infty, 0)$, we have (in the a.e. sense and thus, by the smoothness of W^0 which is affine, in the viscosity sense)

$$\partial_t W^0(t, x) + f^j(\partial_x W^0(t, x)) = \partial_t w_{p^0}^j(t, 0) - f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j) + f^j(a^j) = 0$$

since $\partial_t w_{p^0}^j(t, 0) = (\tilde{\psi}_{p^0}^j)'(t) = f^j(\hat{p}_{p^0}^j)$ as $F_{p^0}^j = 0$ on $(\tau_1, \tau_2) \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus I^j$. Thus (i) holds. The same proof shows that $\partial_t W(t, 0) = 0$, which implies condition (iv). As W is a viscosity solution of (82) we infer from Lemma A.4 that the trace at $x = 0$ of $\partial_x W$ satisfies

$$\partial_x W(t, 0) \in G,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \{(u^0, u^j) \in [a^j, c^j]^2, \min\{0, f^{j,+}(u^0), f^{j,-}(u^1)\} = f^j(u^0) = f^j(u^j)\} \\ &= \{(u^0, u^j) \in [a^j, c^j]^2, 0 = f^j(u^0) = f^j(u^j)\}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies (77). □

3.4 Construction of the correctors

We are now ready to build the correctors, i.e., the time-periodic solutions to (9) with a specific behavior at infinity. Throughout this part, assumptions (1), (5) and (6) are in force.

3.4.1 The correctors in the fluid case

We build here a corrector when (p^0, p^1, p^2) is as in case (i) of the definition (17) of $E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$.

Proposition 3.12. *Assume that $p^0 \in [a^0, b^0]$ satisfies $f^0(p^0) \leq \int_0^1 A(t)dt$. Then there exists a bounded solution $u_{p^0} = (u_{p^0}^j)$ to (9) on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{R}$, which is time-periodic of period 1 and satisfies, for a constant $C > 0$ depending on the data and on p^0 ,*

$$u_{p^0}^0(t, x) = p^0 \text{ for a.e. } t \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq -C, \quad \|u_{p^0}^j(t, \cdot) - \hat{p}_{p^0}^j\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \text{ for any } M \geq C.$$

Proof. Let us set

$$\begin{cases} u_{p^0}^0(t, x) = \partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x) + p^0 & \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0), \\ u_{p^0}^j(t, x) = \partial_x w_{p^0}^j(t, x) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^j & \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty), j = 1, 2, \end{cases}$$

where $w_{p^0}^0, \hat{p}_{p^0}^j \in [a^j, b^j]$ and $w_{p^0}^j$ are defined in Lemma 3.5, Definition 3.8 and Lemma 3.10 respectively. By construction, u_{p^0} is bounded and time-periodic of period 1 as $w_{p^0}^0$ and $w_{p^0}^j$ are Lipschitz continuous and 1-periodic in time. As $w_{p^0}^0$ and $w_{p^0}^j$ solve (61)-(i)-(ii) and (73)-(i)-(ii) respectively, u_{p^0} satisfies (9)-(i)-(ii) thanks to the local correspondance between viscosity solution and conservation laws in 1-space dimension recalled in Lemma A.3. The behavior at infinity of u_{p^0} is a consequence of (64) and (75). As for the junction condition (9)-(iii), it is proved in Lemma 3.11. $\square$

3.4.2 The correctors in the fully congested case

In this part we assume that the second exit road is fully congested (case (ii) in (17)):

Proposition 3.13. *Assume that $(p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q$ satisfies*

$$p^2 = c^2, f^0(p^0) = f^{0,-}(p^0) = \int_0^1 \mathbf{1}_{I^1}(t)A(t)dt = f^1(p^1) = f^{1,+}(p^1).$$

Then there exists a bounded solution $u = (u^j)$ to (9) on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{R}$, which is time-periodic of period 1 and satisfies, for a constant $C > 0$ depending on the data and on $p^0, u^2 = c^2$ and

$$\|u^0 - p^0\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, M))} + \|u^1 - p^1\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq \frac{C}{M} \text{ for any } M \geq C.$$

Proof. Let us define a new flux limiter by setting $\tilde{A} := A\mathbf{1}_{I^1}$. We note that $p^0 = (f^{0,-})^{-1} \left(\int_0^1 \tilde{A}(s)ds \right)$. Let us consider $w_{p^0}^0$ the solution introduced in Lemma 3.5 and $w_{p^0}^1$ the solution given for $j = 1$ in Lemma 3.10 for the the new flux limiter $\tilde{A}$. We set

$$\begin{cases} u_{p^0}^0(t, x) = \partial_x w_{p^0}^0(t, x) + p^0 & \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, 0), \\ u_{p^0}^1(t, x) = \partial_x w_{p^0}^1(t, x) + \hat{p}_{p^0}^1 & \text{on } \mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty). \end{cases}$$

As $w_{p^0}^0$ and $w_{p^0}^1$ solve (61)-(i)-(ii) and (73)-(i)-(ii) respectively (with flux limiter $\tilde{A}$), $(u_{p^0}^0, u_{p^0}^1, c^2)$ satisfies (9)-(i)-(ii) thanks to the local correspondance between viscosity solution and conservation laws in 1-space dimension recalled in Lemma A.3. The behavior at infinity of $(u_{p^0}^0, u_{p^0}^1)$ is a consequence of (64) and (75). As for the junction condition (9)-(iii), it is proved in Lemma 3.11. $\square$

4 Proof of the homogenization

The section is dedicated to the proof of the existence of a solution to the mesoscopic model and of the homogenization for the 1:2 junctions (Subsection 4.1) and for the 2:1 junctions (Subsection 4.2).

4.1 Proof for a 1:2 junction

In this part, we prove Lemma 1.2, Theorem 1.6 and Theorem 1.4.

Proof of Lemma 1.2. We show the existence of a solution to (9) with initial condition $\bar{\rho}$ by induction on the time intervals $[0, \tau^{k+1})$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, where $([\tau^k, \tau^{k+1}))$ form a partition of $[0, +\infty)$ such that, for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, A is constant on the interval (τ^k, τ^{k+1}) and $(\tau^k, \tau^{k+1}) \subset I^i$ for some $i = 1, 2$.

Step 1: existence on $(0, \tau^1)$

To fix the ideas we assume here that $(0, \tau^1) \subset I^1$, as the case where $(0, \tau^1) \subset I^2$ can be treated in a symmetric way. Let A denote the (constant) restriction of the flux limiter $A(\cdot)$ to $(0, \tau^1)$.

Let $\bar{w}$ be an antiderivative of the initial data $\bar{\rho}$, i.e. $\bar{w} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lipschitz continuous and such that $\partial_x \bar{w} = \bar{\rho}$.

On the time interval $[0, \tau^1)$ we set

$$(\rho^0, \rho^1, \rho^2) = (\partial_x w^0, \partial_x w^1, \partial_x w^2) \quad \text{on } (0, \tau^1)$$

where (w^0, w^1) solves the HJ equation, with a junction condition at $x = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t w^j + f^j(\partial_x w^j) &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = 0, 1, \\ w(t, 0) := w^0(t, 0^-) = w^1(t, 0^+) & & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, & \\ \partial_t w + \min\{A, f^{0,+}(\partial_x w^0), f^{1,-}(\partial_x w^1)\} &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, & \\ w^j = \bar{w}^j & & \text{on } \{t = 0\} \times \mathcal{R}, & \quad j = 0, 1, \end{aligned}$$

and w^2 is the solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t w^2 + f^2(\partial_x w^2) &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^2, & \\ \partial_t w^2 + \min\{0, f^{2,-}(\partial_x w^2)\} &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, & \\ w^2 = \bar{w}^2 & & \text{on } \{t = 0\} \times \mathcal{R}^2, & \end{aligned}$$

where the solutions are given by the theory developed in [31]³.

From Lemma A.4, we know that $\tilde{\rho} := (\rho^0, \rho^1)$ is an entropy solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^j &\in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = 0, 1 \\ \partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\rho^j)) &= 0 & \text{in } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = 0, 1, \\ \tilde{\rho}(t, 0) &\in G^{0,1} & \text{a.e. on } (0, \tau^1) \times \{0\}, & \end{aligned}$$

with initial condition $(\bar{\rho}^0, \bar{\rho}^1)$, where the (maximal) germ $G^{0,1}$ is given by

$$G^{0,1} := \{(p^0, p^1) \in [a^0, c^0] \times [a^1, c^1], \quad \min\{A, f^{0,+}(p^0), f^{1,-}(p^1)\} = f^0(p^0) = f^1(p^1)\}.$$

Moreover, introducing $\bar{w}^\emptyset \equiv w^2(0, 0)$, $f^\emptyset \equiv 0 \equiv f^{\emptyset,+}$, $\mathcal{R}^\emptyset := (-\infty, 0)$, we see that $(w^\emptyset \equiv w^2(0, 0), w^2)$ is solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t w^j + f^j(\partial_x w^j) &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = \emptyset, 2 \\ w(t, 0) = w^\emptyset(t, 0) = w^2(t, 0) & & \text{at } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, & \\ \partial_t w + \min\{f^{\emptyset,+}(\partial_x w^\emptyset), f^{2,-}(\partial_x w^2)\} &= 0 & \text{at } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}. & \\ w^j = \bar{w}^j & & \text{on } \{t = 0\} \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = \emptyset, 2. \end{aligned}$$

Setting $\bar{\rho}^\emptyset \equiv 0$, $\rho^\emptyset = \partial_x w^\emptyset = 0$ and $a^\emptyset = 0 = c^\emptyset$, we see from Lemma A.4 that $\hat{\rho} = (\rho^\emptyset, \rho^2)$ is an entropy solution of

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^j &\in [a^j, c^j] & \text{a.e. on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = \emptyset, 2 \\ \partial_t \rho^j + \partial_x(f^j(\hat{\rho}^j)) &= 0 & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^j, & \quad j = \emptyset, 2 \\ \hat{\rho}(t, 0) &\in G^{\emptyset,2} & \text{on } (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, & \end{aligned}$$

³In [31], the Hamiltonian is coercive. To cover this case, we just have to extend each f^j as a concave function on $\mathbb{R}$ such that $-f^j$ is coercive. Then using the comparison principle and suitable barriers (built on the initial data), it is quite standard that we can show that $\partial_t w^j \leq 0$ for our initial data satisfying $f^j(\partial_x \bar{w}^j) \geq 0$. Then using the PDE itself, we can show that the solution satisfies $f^j(\partial_x w^j) \geq 0$ and then $\partial_x w^j \in [a^j, c^j]$ almost everywhere.

with initial condition $\bar{\rho}^j$, where the germ $G^{\emptyset,2}$ is given by

$$G^{\emptyset,2} = \{(p^{\emptyset}, p^2) \in [a^{\emptyset}, c^{\emptyset}] \times [a^2, c^2], \quad \min\{f^{\emptyset,+}(p^{\emptyset}), f^{2,-}(p^2)\} = f^{\emptyset}(p^{\emptyset}) = f^2(p^2)\}.$$

This shows that ρ^2 is an entropy solution of

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^2 &\in [a^2, c^2] && \text{a.e. on} && (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^2, \\ \partial_t \rho^2 + \partial_x(f^2(\rho^2)) &= 0 && \text{on} && (0, \tau^1) \times \mathcal{R}^2, \\ \rho^2(t, 0) &\in G^2 && \text{on} && (0, \tau^1) \times \{x = 0\}, \end{aligned}$$

with initial condition $\bar{\rho}^2$ and with

$$G^2 := \{p^2 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{such that } (0, p^2) \in G^{\emptyset,2}\} = \{p^2 \in [a^2, c^2], \quad f^2(p^2) = 0\} = \{a^2, c^2\}$$

Therefore $\rho = (\rho^0, \rho^1, \rho^2)$ solves (9) on $(0, \tau^1)$ with initial condition $\bar{\rho}$.

Step 2: existence on $[0, \tau^k)$ given the solution on $[0, \tau^{k-1})$, $k \geq 2$

Assume that we have built ρ on $[0, \tau^{k-1})$. Recall that ρ has a continuous in time representative with values in L^1_{loc} (see [17, Theorem 6.2.2]). Let us set $\underline{\rho} := \rho(\tau^{k-1}, \cdot)$. We can then build as in the previous step a solution $\tilde{\rho} = (\tilde{\rho}^0, \tilde{\rho}^1, \tilde{\rho}^2)$ of (9) on (τ^{k-1}, τ^k) with initial condition $\underline{\rho}$ at time τ^{k-1} . It remains to check that the concatenation

$$\hat{\rho}(t, \cdot) = \begin{cases} \rho(t, \cdot) & \text{in } [0, \tau^1) \\ \tilde{\rho}(t, \cdot) & \text{in } [\tau^1, \tau^2) \end{cases}$$

is an entropy solution to (9) on $[0, \tau^2)$ with initial condition $\bar{\rho}$. Note that the junction condition (9)-(iii) at $x = 0$ is satisfied because this is the case for ρ on $(0, \tau^{k-1})$ and for $\tilde{\rho}$ on (τ^{k-1}, τ^k) . It remains to check that $\hat{\rho}^j$ is an entropy solution on $[0, \tau^k) \times \mathcal{R}^j$ for any $j = 0, 1, 2$. The argument is standard and we only sketch it. To fix the ideas, we do the proof for $j = 1$, the argument for $j = 0$ and $j = 2$ being symmetric. Fix a $C^1_c([0, \tau^k) \times (0, +\infty))$ function $\varphi \geq 0$. Let $\theta_n : [0, \tau^{k-1}) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be smooth, nonincreasing map, with a compact support and such that $\theta_n \rightarrow 1$ and $\theta'_n \rightarrow 0$ uniformly in $[0, \tau^{k-1} - \delta]$ for any $\delta > 0$. As ρ^1 is an entropy solution on $[0, \tau^{k-1}) \times \mathcal{R}^1$, we have, for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\int_{(0, \tau^{k-1})} \int_{(0, +\infty)} |\rho^1 - c|(\varphi_t \theta_n + \varphi \theta'_n) + \{\text{sign}(\rho^1 - c)\} \cdot (f(\rho^1) - f(c)) \varphi_x \theta_n + \int_{\{0\} \times (0, +\infty)} |\bar{\rho}^1 - c| \varphi \theta_n(0) \geq 0.$$

By the continuity of $t \mapsto \rho^1(t, \cdot)$ in $L^1_{loc}((0, \infty))$, we find, when letting $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$- \int_{\{\tau^{k-1}\} \times (0, +\infty)} |\underline{\rho}^1 - c| \varphi + \int_{(0, \tau^{k-1})} \int_{(0, +\infty)} |\rho^1 - c| \varphi_t + \{\text{sign}(\rho^1 - c)\} \cdot (f(\rho^1) - f(c)) \varphi_x + \int_{\{0\} \times (0, +\infty)} |\bar{\rho}^1 - c| \varphi \geq 0.$$

As $\tilde{\rho}^1$ is an entropy solution on $[\tau^{k-1}, \tau^k) \times \mathcal{R}^1$ with initial condition $\underline{\rho}^1$, we also have

$$\int_{(\tau^{k-1}, \tau^k)} \int_{(0, +\infty)} |\tilde{\rho}^1 - c| \varphi_t + \{\text{sign}(\tilde{\rho}^1 - c)\} \cdot (f(\tilde{\rho}^1) - f(c)) \varphi_x + \int_{\{\tau^{k-1}\} \times (0, \infty)} |\underline{\rho}^1 - c| \varphi \geq 0.$$

Putting together the two previous inequalities proves that ρ^1 is an entropy solution on $[0, \tau^k) \times \mathcal{R}^1$ with initial condition $\bar{\rho}^1$.

Step 4: existence on $[0, +\infty)$

By induction this proves the existence of a solution of the whole time interval $[0, \infty)$.

Step 5: Kato's inequality (13) and uniqueness

We claim that (ρ^0, ρ^1, ρ^2) satisfies Kato's inequality (13). Indeed, as the sets $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda^1}$ and $\mathcal{G}_{\Lambda^2}$ introduced in (11) and (12) are maximal germs (see Lemma 2.2), we just need to apply Kato's inequality given in [6] on each time interval (τ^k, τ^{k+1}) for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and then proceed as above to glue the solution together. The uniqueness of the solution ρ is then an obvious consequence of Kato's inequality. $\square$

Proof of Theorem 1.6. Let $p \in E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$. The existence of a corrector when p satisfies (i) in the definition (17) of $E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ is given by Proposition 3.12. The case (ii) is the aim of Proposition 3.13. The cases (iii) is symmetric to the case (ii), exchanging the indices 1 and 2. The case (iv) is obvious because then one can choose $u_p^j = c^j$ for $j = 0, 1, 2$. $\square$

Proof of Theorem 1.4. Recall that the construction of $\mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ and the proof that it is a maximal germ are given in Subsection 2.1.3.

We now prove the homogenization. It is known that the sequence (ρ^ϵ) is relatively compact in $L^1_{loc}((0, +\infty) \times \mathcal{R})$ (Proposition A.2 in the Appendix).

Let $\rho = (\rho^i)_{i=0,1,2}$ be a limit (in $L^1_{loc}((0, +\infty) \times \mathcal{R})$ and up to a subsequence) of (ρ^ϵ) . We have to check that ρ is the unique solution to (16). By stability, ρ^i is an entropy solution on $[0, +\infty) \times \mathcal{R}^i$ and satisfies $\rho^i \in [a^i, c^i]$ a.e. on $(0, +\infty) \times \mathcal{R}^i$ for $i = 0, 1, 2$.

Let $p = (p^i) \in E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$. By Theorem 1.6 there exists a time-periodic solution u_p of (9) and $C > 0$ such that for $M \geq C$, we have

$$\|u_p^0 - p^0\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (-\infty, -M))} + \|u_p^i - p^i\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times (M, \infty))} \leq CM^{-1}, \quad i = 1, 2. \quad (83)$$

We set $u_p^\epsilon(t, x) = u_p(t/\epsilon, x/\epsilon)$. Note that the scaled function $u_p^\epsilon = (u_p^\epsilon)^k$ is a solution to (15) (without the initial condition). Thus, by Kato's inequality (13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^2 \left\{ \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathcal{R}^i} |\rho^{\epsilon,i} - u_p^{\epsilon,i}| \phi_t^i + \{\text{sign}(\rho^{\epsilon,i} - u_p^{\epsilon,i})\} \cdot (f^i(\rho^{\epsilon,i}) - f^i(u_p^{\epsilon,i})) \partial_x \phi^i \right. \\ \left. + \int_{\mathcal{R}^i} |\bar{\rho}_0^i(x) - u_p^{\epsilon,i}(0, x)| \phi^i(0, x) \right\} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

for any continuous nonnegative test function $\phi : [0, \infty) \times \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with a compact support and such that $\phi^j := \phi|_{[0, +\infty) \times (\mathcal{R}^j \cup \{0\})}$ is C^1 for any $j = 0, 1, 2$. Letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ and recalling (83), which implies that u_p^ϵ converges in L^1_{loc} to p as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, this gives for any test function ϕ as above:

$$\sum_{i=0}^2 \left\{ \int_0^\infty \int_{\mathcal{R}^i} |\rho^i - p^i| \phi_t^i + \{\text{sign}(\rho^i - p^i)\} \cdot (f^i(\rho^i) - f^i(p^i)) \partial_x \phi^i + \int_{\mathcal{R}^i} |\bar{\rho}_0^i(0, x) - p^i| \phi^i(x) \right\} \geq 0.$$

Following the argument in [37, Proposition 2.12], this implies that, for a.e. $t \geq 0$,

$$q^0(p^0, \rho^0(t, 0^-)) \geq q^1(p^1, \rho^1(t, 0^+)) + q^2(p^2, \rho^2(t, 0^+)).$$

This inequality holds for any $p \in E_{\bar{\Lambda}}$ and for a.e. $t \geq 0$, and we have $(\rho^0(t, 0^-), \rho^1(t, 0^+), \rho^2(t, 0^+)) \in Q$ for a.e. $t \geq 0$. Therefore Lemma 1.5 implies that $\rho(t, 0) = (\rho^i(t, 0)) \in \mathcal{G}_{\bar{\Lambda}}$. It follows that ρ solves (16), which has a unique solution ρ . Therefore the whole sequence (ρ^ϵ) converges to ρ . Moreover the L^∞ bound on ρ^ϵ implies its convergence in $L^1_{loc}([0, +\infty) \times \mathcal{R})$. $\square$

4.2 Proof for a 2:1 junction

The main idea of the proof is to derive Theorem 1.7 from Theorem 1.4 by a simple change of variables, transforming 2:1 junctions into 1:2 junctions.

4.2.1 A general framework for junctions with three roads

We first introduce a general class of germs, defined for fluxes f^j for $j = 0, 1, 2$ satisfying (1). The entropy flux associated to f^j is defined for $\bar{c}, c \in [a^j, c^j]$ as

$$q^{f^j}(\bar{c}, c) := (f^j(\bar{c}) - f^j(c)) \text{sign}(\bar{c} - c)$$

and let

$$\text{sign}(\mathcal{R}^j) = \begin{cases} + & \text{if } \mathcal{R}^j = (0, +\infty) \\ - & \text{if } \mathcal{R}^j = (-\infty, 0) \end{cases}$$

with a general set of three roads

$$\mathcal{R} = (\mathcal{R}^0, \mathcal{R}^1, \mathcal{R}^2).$$

Given $f = (f^0, f^1, f^2)$, the dissipation for $\bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2)$ and $P = (p^0, p^1, p^2)$ is defined by

$$D_{f, \mathcal{R}}(\bar{P}, P) = - \sum_{j=0,1,2} \text{sign}(\mathcal{R}^j) \cdot q^{f^j}(\bar{p}^j, p^j).$$

We now build associated germs. Let us define the roots $u_{\pm}^{f^j}$ of $f^{j,\pm}(\cdot) = \lambda$ as

$$\begin{cases} [a^j, b^j] \ni u_+^{f^j}(\lambda) := r & \text{such that } f^{j,+}(r) = \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^j] \\ [b^j, c^j] \ni u_-^{f^j}(\lambda) := r & \text{such that } f^{j,-}(r) = \lambda \in [0, f_{\max}^j]. \end{cases}$$

For $\Lambda = (\bar{\lambda}^0, \bar{\lambda}^1, \bar{\lambda}^2, \hat{\lambda}^1, \hat{\lambda}^2)$ satisfying (23), and for $\sigma \in \{\pm\}$, we consider the curve

$$\Gamma_{f,\Lambda}^\sigma := \left\{ P = (u_\sigma^{f^0}(\lambda), u_\sigma^{f^1}(\lambda^1), u_\sigma^{f^2}(\lambda^2)) \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda^k := \hat{\lambda}^k(\lambda) \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda \in [0, \bar{\lambda}^0] \right\} \quad (84)$$

and the points

$$\begin{cases} P_0^{f,\Lambda,\sigma} := (u_\sigma^{f^0}(0), u_\sigma^{f^1}(0), u_\sigma^{f^2}(0)) \in \Gamma_{f,\Lambda}^\sigma \\ P_3^{f,\Lambda,\sigma} := (u_{-\sigma}^{f^0}(0), u_{-\sigma}^{f^1}(0), u_{-\sigma}^{f^2}(0)) \\ P_1^{f,\Lambda,\sigma} := (u_{-\sigma}^{f^0}(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_{-\sigma}^{f^1}(\bar{\lambda}^1), u_{-\sigma}^{f^2}(0)) \\ P_2^{f,\Lambda,\sigma} := (u_{-\sigma}^{f^0}(\bar{\lambda}^2), u_{-\sigma}^{f^1}(0), u_{-\sigma}^{f^2}(\bar{\lambda}^2)) \end{cases} \quad (85)$$

We also define

$$E_{f,\Lambda}^\sigma := \Gamma_{f,\Lambda}^\sigma \cup \{P_1^{f,\Lambda,\sigma}, P_2^{f,\Lambda,\sigma}, P_3^{f,\Lambda,\sigma}\} \quad (86)$$

The case $\sigma = +$ corresponds to the divergent 1:2 junction, while the case $\sigma = -$ corresponds to the convergent 2:1 junction.

We consider the following general set (using notation Q^{RH} defined in (7) and (8))

$$\mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^\pm := \left\{ P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in Q^{RH}, \quad \begin{cases} 0 \leq f^j(p^j) \leq \bar{\lambda}^j, & j = 0, 1, 2 \\ f^{k,\pm}(p^k) \geq \hat{\lambda}^k(f^{0,\pm}(p^0)), & k = 1, 2 \end{cases} \right\}. \quad (87)$$

4.2.2 Germs for 2:1 junctions, by reversion

Consider the convergent 2:1 junction (with an abuse of notation)

$$\tilde{\mathcal{R}} := (\tilde{\mathcal{R}}^0, \tilde{\mathcal{R}}^1, \tilde{\mathcal{R}}^2) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathcal{R}}^j = (-\infty, 0) & \text{for } j = 1, 2 \\ \tilde{\mathcal{R}}^0 = (0, +\infty) \end{cases} \quad (88)$$

and associated fluxes $\tilde{f}^j$ for $j = 0, 1, 2$ satisfying (1), (2), (3) and (4), with $\tilde{a}^j, \tilde{b}^j, \tilde{c}^j$ instead of a^j, b^j, c^j . Similarly, we consider the divergent 1:2 junction denoted by $\mathcal{R}$ and defined as (also with an abuse of notation)

$$\mathcal{R} := (\mathcal{R}^0, \mathcal{R}^1, \mathcal{R}^2) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \mathcal{R}^0 = (-\infty, 0) \\ \mathcal{R}^j = (0, +\infty) & \text{for } j = 1, 2 \end{cases}$$

We now explain how to transform fluxes $(\tilde{f}^j)$ defined on the convergent junction $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$ into fluxes (f^j) defined on the divergent junction $\mathcal{R}$: we set

$$f^j(v) := \tilde{f}^j(-v) \quad \text{with} \quad (a^j, b^j, c^j) := (-\tilde{c}^j, -\tilde{b}^j, -\tilde{a}^j). \quad (89)$$

As before we set $Q = [a^0, c^0] \times [a^1, c^1] \times [a^2, c^2]$ and $\tilde{Q} = [\tilde{a}^0, \tilde{c}^0] \times [\tilde{a}^1, \tilde{c}^1] \times [\tilde{a}^2, \tilde{c}^2]$.

Lemma 4.1. (Effect of reversion on the dissipation) For $P, \bar{P} \in Q$,

$$D_{\tilde{f},\tilde{\mathcal{R}}}(-\bar{P}, -P) = D_{f,\mathcal{R}}(\bar{P}, P).$$

Proof. Using

$$q^{\tilde{f}^j}(-\bar{p}^j, -p^j) = -q^{f^j}(\bar{p}^j, p^j)$$

we deduce that

$$D_{\tilde{f},\tilde{\mathcal{R}}}(-\bar{P}, -P) = D_{f,\mathcal{R}}(\bar{P}, P).$$

□

Let us now explain how to build germs for the fluxes $\check{f}^j$ on the junction $\check{\mathcal{R}}$.

Lemma 4.2. (Germ for a convergent 2:1 junction)

Let $\check{\mathcal{R}}$ be defined in (88), and fluxes $\check{f}^j$ for $j = 0, 1, 2$ satisfying (1), (2), (3) and (4). Under assumption (23) on Λ , let us consider the set $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$ defined in (87). Then this set $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^- \subset \check{Q}$ is a maximal germ (for dissipation $D_{\check{f},\check{\mathcal{R}}}$) determined by its subset $E_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$ defined in (86). Recall here that for $P = (p^0, p^1, p^2)$ and $\bar{P} = (\bar{p}^0, \bar{p}^1, \bar{p}^2)$

$$D_{\check{f},\check{\mathcal{R}}}(\bar{P}, P) = q^{\check{f}^1}(\bar{p}^1, p^1) + q^{\check{f}^2}(\bar{p}^2, p^2) - q^{\check{f}^0}(\bar{p}^0, p^0) = IN - OUT$$

Proof. Lemma 4.2 follows from Theorem 2.1 for $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda = \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+$. Applying reversion transform (89) for $P = (p^0, p^1, p^2) \in \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+$, which consists here in the transform

$$(P, \check{f}) \mapsto (-P, f)$$

and using the fact that

$$-P \in \mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^- \iff P \in \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+ \quad (90)$$

we see from Lemma 4.1 that $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$ is a germ.

Moreover, because for $\sigma \in \{\pm\}$ we have

$$-u_{\sigma}^{\check{f}^j}(\lambda) = u_{-\sigma}^{\check{f}^j}(\lambda),$$

we see that

$$-\Gamma_{\check{f},\Lambda}^- = \Gamma_{f,\Lambda}^+ \quad -P_{\ell}^{\check{f},\Lambda,-} = P_{\ell}^{f,\Lambda,+} \quad \text{for } \ell = 1, 2, 3.$$

Now recall that $\mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+$ is determined by $E_{f,\Lambda}^+$. Hence for $-P \in \check{Q} := \prod_{j=0,1,2} [\check{a}^j, \check{c}^j]$, we have

$$\left(D_{\check{f},\check{\mathcal{R}}}(-\bar{P}, -P) \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } -\bar{P} \in E_{\check{f},\Lambda}^- \right) \implies -P \in \mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-,$$

which shows that $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$ is determined by the set $E_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$. This gives the desired result for dissipation $D_{\check{f},\check{\mathcal{R}}}$ and completes the proof of the lemma. $\square$

By this simple change of variables and (90), we have immediately

Corollary 4.3. (Reversion of the germ) Given $\check{\rho}, \check{\rho}^\epsilon \in L^\infty((0, \infty) \times \check{\mathcal{R}})$, let

$$\rho^j(t, x) := -\check{\rho}^j(t, -x), \quad \rho^{j,\epsilon}(t, x) := -\check{\rho}^{j,\epsilon}(t, -x), \quad \bar{\rho}_0^j(x) := -\check{\rho}^j(-x), \quad \text{for } x \in \mathcal{R}^j. \quad (91)$$

Given $(\check{f}^j)$, let (f^j) be given by reversion transform (89). Then $\check{\rho}^\epsilon$ solves (19) (with initial data $\check{\bar{\rho}}$) with germ $\check{\mathcal{G}}(\cdot)$ given by (20), if and only if ρ^ϵ solves (15) (with initial data $\bar{\rho}$) with germ $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$ given by (10). In the same way, if Λ satisfies (23), then $\check{\rho}$ solves (21) for the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$ given by (87), if and only if ρ solves (16) for the germ $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda = \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+$ given by (87).

4.2.3 Proof of Theorem 1.7

Proof of Theorem 1.7. The existence and the uniqueness of a solution to (19) is a consequence of Lemma 1.2 and Corollary 4.3. Given $\check{\rho}^\epsilon$ a solution to (19), let ρ^ϵ and $\bar{\rho}_0$ be defined by (91). We know from Corollary 4.3 that ρ^ϵ solves (15), with (f^j) defined by (89), $\mathcal{G}(\cdot)$ given by (10). Then Theorem 1.4 says that the (ρ^ϵ) converges in L_{loc}^1 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ to the solution ρ of (16) for the germ $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda = \mathcal{G}_{f,\Lambda}^+$ defined in (30), where Λ is given in Subsection 2.1.3. Let $\check{\rho}$ be defined from ρ by the transform (91). Then, by Corollary 4.3, $\check{\rho}$ is a solution of (21) for the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$. This shows that the $(\check{\rho}^\epsilon)$ converges in L_{loc}^1 as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ to $\check{\rho}$, which is the unique solution to (21) for the germ $\mathcal{G}_{\check{f},\Lambda}^-$. $\square$

A Appendix

In this appendix, we collect several results needed throughout the paper.

A.1 Panov's theorem on strong traces

Let $T > 0$ and let us consider the following equation

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x(f(u)) = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad (0, T)_t \times (0, +\infty)_x \quad (92)$$

We recall the following result.

Theorem A.1. (Existence of strong traces; [38, Theorem 1.1])

Assume that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous and that $u \in L^\infty((0, T)_t \times (0, +\infty)_x)$ is a standard Krushkov entropy solution of (92) on $(0, T)_t \times (0, +\infty)_x$. Assume moreover that f satisfies the following nondegeneracy condition:

$$\text{the map } v \mapsto f(v) \text{ is not constant on intervals of positive length.} \quad (93)$$

Then there exists $w \in L^\infty(0, T)$ and a measurable set $\mathcal{N} \subset (0, +\infty)_x$ of measure zero, such that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in (0, \varepsilon) \setminus \mathcal{N}} \|u(\cdot, x) - w\|_{L^1(0, T)} = 0$$

and we write

$$\text{ess} \lim_{(0, +\infty) \ni x \rightarrow 0^+} u(\cdot, x) = w \quad \text{in} \quad L^1(0, T).$$

We call w the strong trace of u on the interface $(0, T) \times \{0\}$ and we denote it by $u(\cdot, 0^+)$.

A.2 Local regularity of scalar conservation in one space dimension

We assume for $a < c$, $\delta > 0$,

$$f : [a, c] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } C^2 \text{ with } f'' \leq -\delta < 0 \text{ on } [a, c]. \quad (94)$$

Given $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $R > 0$, let

$$Q_R(t, x) = [t - R, t + R] \times [x - 2\|f'\|_\infty R, x + 2\|f'\|_\infty R].$$

We are interested in BV estimates of solutions to the scalar conservation law $\partial_t u + \partial_x(f(u)) = 0$ in $Q_R(t, x)$.

Proposition A.2. (Local BV bound for a conservation law with a convex flux)

Under assumption (94), there exists a constant $C > 1$, depending on $c - a$, on $\|f'\|_\infty$ and on $\delta > 0$ (the concavity constant of f), such that, for any $R \in (0, 1]$ and any $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, if $u : Q_R(t, x) \rightarrow [a, c]$ is an L^∞ entropy solution to the scalar conservation law $\partial_t u + \partial_x(f(u)) = 0$ in $Q_R(t, x)$, then the total variation $V(u; Q_{R/3}(t, x))$ of u in $Q_{R/3}(t, x)$ is bounded by

$$V(u; Q_{R/3}(t, x)) \leq CR.$$

Proof. We only sketch the proof, as it is standard (we just did not find a reference giving the formulation above needed in the paper). Without loss of generality we can assume that $(t, x) = (0, 0)$ and $a = 0$, so that $\|u\|_\infty \leq c$. We abbreviate $Q_R(0, 0)$ into Q_R . By finite speed of propagation, the restriction of u to $Q_{R/3}$ depends only on the value of $u(-R, \cdot)$ in $[-R', R']$, where $R' := 2R\|f'\|_\infty$. Let us denote by $\tilde{u}$ the solution of $\partial_t \tilde{u} + \partial_x(f(\tilde{u})) = 0$ in $(-\infty, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}$ starting from $\tilde{u}_0$ at time $-R$, where $\tilde{u}_0 = u(-R, \cdot)$ on $[-R', R']$ and $\tilde{u}_0 = 0$ otherwise. Then $\tilde{u} = u$ in $Q_{R/3}$ and $\tilde{u}$ satisfies the Lax-Oleinik bound:

$$\partial_x \tilde{u}(s, \cdot) \geq -\frac{1}{\delta(s + R)} \geq -\frac{3}{2\delta R} \quad \text{for } s \in [-R/3, R/3], \quad (95)$$

in the sense of distributions. Thus, for any smooth test function ϕ with a compact support in $Q_{R/3}$, we have, at least formally, (C denoting a constant depending on $c - a$, $\|f'\|_\infty$ and δ and possibly changing from line to line):

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{Q_{R/3}} (\partial_x \phi) u &= \iint_{Q_{R/3}} (\partial_x \phi) \tilde{u} = - \iint_{Q_{R/3}} \phi \partial_x \tilde{u} = - \iint_{Q_{R/3}} \phi \left(\partial_x \tilde{u} + \frac{3}{2\delta R} \right) + \frac{3}{2\delta R} \iint_{Q_{R/3}} \phi \\ &\leq CR \|\phi\|_\infty + \|\phi\|_\infty \iint_{Q_{R/3}} \left(\partial_x \tilde{u} + \frac{3}{2\delta R} \right) \quad (\text{by (95)}) \\ &\leq CR \|\phi\|_\infty + \|\phi\|_\infty \int_{-\frac{R}{3}}^{\frac{R}{3}} [\tilde{u}(s, \cdot)]_{-R'/3}^{R'/3} ds \leq CR \|\phi\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

The rigorous derivation of the above inequality can be achieved by regularization. It implies that

$$\int_{-R/3}^{R/3} V_x(u(s, \cdot); [-R'/3, R'/3]) ds \leq CR,$$

where V_x denotes the total variation in the x variable. On the other hand, by the equation satisfied by u ,

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_{Q_{R/3}} (\partial_t \phi) u &= - \iint_{Q_{R/3}} (\partial_x \phi) f(u) \leq \|\phi\|_\infty \int_{-R/3}^{R/3} V_x(f(u(s, \cdot)); [-R'/3, R'/3]) ds \\ &\leq \|f'\|_\infty \|\phi\|_\infty \int_{-R/3}^{R/3} V_x(u(s, \cdot); [-R'/3, R'/3]) ds \leq CR \|\phi\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

This implies the result. $\square$

A.3 Local correspondence: viscosity solutions versus entropy solution

Equivalence between Hamilton-Jacobi equation and scalar conservation laws in one space dimension has been discussed in several papers: see for instance [15, 33] (see also Lemma A.4 below). The following statement can be deduced from these reference combined with a localization argument in the spirit of the proof of Proposition A.2:

Lemma A.3. (Local correspondence viscosity solution versus entropy solution)

Let $a < c$, $\delta > 0$ and $f : [a, c] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be C^2 such that $f'' \leq -\delta$. Let $T > 0$ and $R > 0$. Let $v : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Lipschitz continuous function with $\Omega := (0, T) \times (-R, R)$ and $\partial_x v \in [a, c]$ a.e. on Ω .

If v is a viscosity solution of

$$\partial_t v + f(\partial_x v) = 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

then $u = \partial_x v$ is an entropy solution of

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x f(u) = 0 \quad \text{on } \Omega.$$

A.4 Correspondence for a junction: viscosity solutions versus entropy solution

Lemma A.4. (Correspondence for a junction: viscosity solution versus entropy solution, [12])

For $i = L, R$, let real numbers $a^i < b^i < c^i$ and functions $f^i : [a^i, c^i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be C^2 satisfying $(f^i)'' \leq -\delta < 0$, increasing on $[a^i, b^i]$ and decreasing on $[b^i, c^i]$ and such that $f^i(a^i) = f^i(c^i) = 0$. We define the monotone envelopes

$$f^{i,+}(p) = \begin{cases} f^i(p) & \text{for } p \in [a^i, b^i] \\ f^i(b^i) & \text{for } p \in [b^i, c^i] \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad f^{i,-}(p) = \begin{cases} f^i(b^i) & \text{for } p \in [a^i, b^i] \\ f^i(p) & \text{for } p \in [b^i, c^i] \end{cases}$$

Let $T > 0$ and a flux limiter $A \geq 0$. Let $v = (v^L, v^R)$ be a viscosity solution (in the sense of [31]) of

$$\begin{cases} v_t^L + f^L(v_x^L) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times (-\infty, 0) \\ v_t^R + f^R(v_x^R) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times (0, +\infty) \\ v(t, 0) := v^L(t, 0) = v^R(t, 0) & \text{on } (0, T) \times \{0\} \\ \partial_t v(t, 0) + \min \{A, f^{L,+}(v_x^L(t, 0^-)), f^{R,-}(v_x^R(t, 0^+))\} = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times \{0\} \\ v = v_0 & \text{on } \{0\} \times \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

with v uniformly Lipschitz continuous on $[0, T) \times \mathbb{R}$.

i) (Natural result)

Then $u = \partial_x v = (u^L, u^R)$ is an entropy solution of

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u^L + \partial_x(f^L(u^L)) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times (-\infty, 0) \\ \partial_t u^R + \partial_x(f^R(u^R)) = 0 & \text{on } (0, T) \times (0, +\infty) \\ (u^L(t, 0^-), u^R(t, 0^+)) \in \mathcal{G}_A & \text{a.e. on } (0, T) \times \{0\} \\ u = u_0 & \text{a.e. on } \{0\} \times \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

with $u_0 = \partial_x v_0$ and with

$$\mathcal{G}_A := \{(p^L, p^R) \in [a^L, c^L] \times [a^R, c^R], \quad \min \{A, f^{L,+}(p^L), f^{R,-}(p^R)\} = f^L(p^L) = f^R(p^R)\}.$$

ii) (A variant)

The result is still true for $f^i = f^{i,\pm} = 0 = a^i = b^i = c^i$ for $i = L$, or for $i = R$ or for both.

A.5 The envelope theorem

We recall the following result (which is easy to prove directly).

Theorem A.5. (Envelope theorem)

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be an open set for $n \geq 1$ and Y be a compact set. Consider a function $\varphi : \Omega_x \times Y_y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and let

$$h(x) = \max_{y \in Y} \varphi(x, y)$$

We make the following assumptions on φ

$$\begin{cases} \text{the map } \varphi \text{ is continuous on } \Omega_x \times Y_y \\ \text{the map } \varphi(\cdot, y) \text{ is differentiable on } \Omega_x \text{ for each } y \in Y, \text{ with derivative } \varphi_x(\cdot, y) \\ \text{the map } \partial_x \varphi \text{ is continuous on } \Omega_x \times Y_y \end{cases} \quad (96)$$

i) (The directional derivative)

For any $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the function h has directional derivative at each point $x_0 \in \Omega$ which is defined by

$$D_v^+ h(x_0) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{h(x_0 + \varepsilon v) - h(x_0)}{\varepsilon}$$

and we have

$$D_v^+ h(x_0) = \max_{y_0 \in \text{Argmax } \varphi(x_0, \cdot)} v \cdot \partial_x \varphi(x_0, y_0)$$

with

$$\text{Argmax } \varphi(x_0, \cdot) := \left\{ y_0 \in Y, \quad \varphi(x_0, y_0) = \max_{y \in Y} \varphi(x_0, y) \right\}.$$

ii) (When h has already a derivative)

Assume that h has a derivative at $x_0 \in \Omega$. Then we have

$$\partial_x h(x_0) = \partial_x \varphi(x_0, y_0) \quad \text{for all } y_0 \in \text{Argmax } \varphi(x_0, \cdot).$$

iii) (Existence of a derivative for h)

Let $x_0 \in \Omega$. If the map $v \mapsto D_v^+ h(x_0)$ is linear, then h has a derivative at x_0 .

iv) (The basic result)

Let $x_0 \in \Omega$.

If $\text{Argmax } \varphi(x_0, \cdot) = \{y_0\}$ is a singleton,

then h has a derivative at x_0 and

$$\partial_x h(x_0) = \partial_x \varphi(x_0, y_0).$$

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