

Asymptotic stability of kinetic plasmas for general collision potentials

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Background

Physical description of a plasma

- ▶ Plasma is the 4th state of matter:
solid→liquid→gas→plasma
- ▶ 99.9% of the universe exists in a plasma state
- ▶ Plasma is a gas of charged particles, e.g. electrons and ions
- ▶ The motion of plasmas strongly responds to the self-consistent electromagnetic field through the Maxwell equations

$$\frac{1}{c}\partial_t E - \nabla \times B = -\frac{4\pi}{c}J, \quad \frac{1}{c}\partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0,$$
$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi\rho, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0.$$

- ▶ Plasma physics involves the physics of classical mechanics, electromagnetism, and non relativistic statistical mechanics
- ▶ Challenge lies in the long-range coulomb interaction

Mathematical description of a plasma

- ▶ **microscopic particle model for** $[x_i(t), \xi_i(t)]$
- ▶ **mesoscopic kinetic model for** $f(t, x, \xi)$
- ▶ **macroscopic fluid model for** $[n(t, x), u(t, x)]$

1st type (Klimontovich)

Microscopic motion equations governing $[x_i(t), \xi_i(t)]$ of all plasma particles $1 \leq i \leq N_0$ of s -species at any time t :

$$m_s \frac{d\xi_i}{dt} = q_s [E(t, x_i) + \frac{\xi_i}{c} \times B(t, x_i)],$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t E - \nabla \times B = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J,$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi \rho, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0,$$

$$\rho = \sum_s q_s \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} N_s(t, x, \xi) d\xi, \quad J = \sum_s q_s \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi N_s(t, x, \xi) d\xi,$$

$$N_s(t, x, \xi) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_0} \delta(x - x_i(t)) \delta(\xi - \xi_i(t)).$$

2nd type (kinetic plasma equations)

$$f_s = f_s(t, x, \xi), \quad t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad s = i, e$$

$$\partial_t f_s + \xi \cdot \nabla_x f_s + \frac{q_s}{m_s} (E + \frac{\xi}{c} \times B) \cdot \nabla_\xi f_s = \left(\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} \right)_c,$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t E - \nabla \times B = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J,$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi \rho, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0,$$

$$\rho = \sum_s q_s \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f_s(t, x, \xi) d\xi, \quad J = \sum_s q_s \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi f_s(t, x, \xi) d\xi.$$

Depending on the collisional feature, the system is called

- ▶ Vlasov-Maxwell-Boltzmann
- ▶ Vlasov-Maxwell-Landau

Characterization of collisions

– Boltzmann collision (Boltzmann, 1872)

$$\left(\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t}\right)_c = \sum_{s'} Q(f_s, f_{s'}),$$

$$Q(f_1, f_2)(\xi) = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^3 \times S^2} B(\xi - \xi_*, \omega) \{f_1(\xi') f_2(\xi'_*) - f_1(\xi) f_2(\xi_*)\} d\xi_* d\omega,$$

$$\begin{cases} \xi' = \xi - \frac{2m_2}{m_1+m_2} [(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega] \omega, \\ \xi'_* = \xi_* + \frac{2m_1}{m_1+m_2} [(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega] \omega, \end{cases}$$

$$B(\xi - \xi_*, \omega) = \Phi(|\xi - \xi_*|) b\left(\frac{\xi - \xi_*}{|\xi - \xi_*|} \cdot \omega\right),$$

$$\Phi(|z|) \sim |z|^\gamma \quad (-3 < \gamma \leq 1), \quad \sin \theta b(\cos \theta) \sim \frac{1}{\theta^{1+2\nu}} \quad (0 < \nu < 1)$$

An example: For the inverse power law $U(r) = r^{-(p-1)}$ ($p > 2$),

$$\gamma = \frac{p-5}{p-1}, \quad \nu = \frac{1}{p-1}.$$

Grad's angular cutoff assumption:

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta \tilde{b}(\cos \theta) d\theta < \infty.$$

– Landau collision (Landau, 1936):

$$\left(\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t}\right)_c = \sum_{s'} Q(f_s, f_{s'}),$$

$$Q(f_1, f_2) = \frac{1}{m_1} \nabla_\xi \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Phi(\xi - \xi') \left\{ \frac{1}{m_1} f_1(\xi) \nabla_\xi f_2(\xi') - \frac{1}{m_2} f_2(\xi) \nabla_\xi f_1(\xi') \right\} d\xi',$$

$$\Phi(z) = |z|^{\gamma+2} \left(\mathbf{I} - \frac{z \otimes z}{|z|^2} \right) (\gamma \geq -3),$$

$\gamma = -3$: **Coulomb potential**

Remark: Grazing limit: Boltzmann \Rightarrow Landau

3rd type (fluid plasma equations)

$$\partial_t n_s + \nabla \cdot (n_s v_s) = 0,$$

$$m_s n_s (\partial_t v_s + v_s \cdot \nabla v_s) + \nabla P_s = q_s n_s \left(E + \frac{v_s}{c} \times B \right) + \sum_{s'} \nu_{ss'} \frac{m_s m_{s'} n_s n_{s'}}{m_s n_s + m_{s'} n_{s'}} (v_s - v_{s'}),$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t E - \nabla \times B = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J,$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi \rho, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0,$$

$$\rho = \sum_s q_s n_s, \quad J = \sum_s q_s n_s v_s.$$

Euler-Maxwell system with/without relaxation

The Plasma Stability Problem

- ▶ Due to the **collision AND particle-field interactive mechanism**, a plasma usually relaxes to different kinds of profiles such as **equilibrium states**, **periodic states**, and **wave patterns**.
- ▶ Both physically and mathematically, it is an important task to understand the stability of those profiles.
- ▶ Stability theory addresses the following three questions:
 - ▶ Can the initial (small) perturbation of a given profile imply the **global-in-time existence** of solutions?
 - ▶ Will the solution **converge** to it? **How fast** for the rate of convergence?
 - ▶ If unstable, how to characterize the **growth modes**?

Remark: Problems without collisions are quite different
(**nonlinear effect and structure**) !

- ▶ **Molecule model:** H. Weitzner (CPAM '12)
- ▶ **Vlasov-Poisson system:** Lemou-Mehats-Raphael (Inve. '11),
Mouhot-Villani (Acta M. '11), ...
- ▶ **Euler-Maxwell system:** Germain-Masmoudi (arXiv '11)
- ▶ ...

Time-asymptotic stability of kinetic plasmas for general collision potentials

Boltzmann's celebrated H-theorem

$\partial_t f = Q(f, f) \Rightarrow$ (Physical) entropy increasing:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d\xi \{-f \log f\} \geq 0.$$

This is a manifestation of the **second law of thermodynamics**.

- ▶ Entropy takes the maximization at the **Maxwellian**

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}_{[\rho, u, T]}(\xi) = \frac{\rho}{(2\pi T)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{|\xi - u|^2}{2T}}.$$

ρ : density, u : bulk velocity, T : temperature.

- ▶ L. Boltzmann himself predicted **rapid convergence** in large time to the Maxwellian due to the H-theorem. The “proof” was however held back by “analytical difficulties”.
- ▶ **Goal**: prove convergence and convergence rate around the Maxwellian in the **spatially non-homogeneous** case.

Degeneration of H-theorem

$$\{\partial_t + \xi \cdot \nabla_x\} f = Q(f, f) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} dx \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d\xi \{-f \log f\} \geq 0, \quad \Omega = \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ or } \mathbb{T}^3.$$

- ▶ H-theorem fails at the **local** Maxwellian

$$\mathbf{M}_{[\rho(t,x), u(t,x), T(t,x)]}(\xi).$$

- ▶ In \mathbb{T}^3 case, a key tool to overcome the degeneration is the **Poincare** inequality:

$$\|\rho - \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}^3|} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \rho dx\|_{L_x^2(\mathbb{T}^3)} \leq C \|\nabla \rho\|_{L_x^2(\mathbb{T}^3)}$$

- ▶ In \mathbb{R}^3 case, the Poincare inequality fails.
- ▶ **Idea:** seek out the **enough** dissipative mechanisms for the components of the local Maxwellian

Degeneration of the electromagnetic field

- ▶ For the Maxwell system **in vacuum**,

$$\partial_t E - \nabla \times B = 0, \quad \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0, \quad \nabla \cdot E = \nabla \cdot B = 0,$$

the total energy is preserved at all time.

- ▶ Can the coupling with the kinetic equation imply a kind of the dissipative mechanism?
- ▶ **Idea:** again, seek out the **enough** dissipative mechanisms for the electromagnetic field with the understanding of the structure of the system

The Vlasov-Maxwell-Boltzmann/Landau system

$f_{\pm} = f_{\pm}(t, x, \xi) \geq 0$ **of two-species:**

$$\partial_t f_+ + \xi \cdot \nabla_x f_+ + (E + \xi \times B) \cdot \nabla_{\xi} f_+ = Q(f_+, f_+) + Q(f_+, f_-),$$

$$\partial_t f_- + \xi \cdot \nabla_x f_- - (E + \xi \times B) \cdot \nabla_{\xi} f_- = Q(f_-, f_+) + Q(f_-, f_-).$$

It is coupled with the Maxwell system

$$\partial_t E - \nabla_x \times B = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi (f_+ - f_-) d\xi,$$

$$\partial_t B + \nabla_x \times E = 0,$$

$$\nabla_x \cdot E = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (f_+ - f_-) d\xi, \quad \nabla_x \cdot B = 0.$$

The initial data in this system is given as

$$f_{\pm}(0, x, \xi) = f_{0,\pm}(x, \xi), \quad E(0, x) = E_0(x), \quad B(0, x) = B_0(x).$$

Previous results on VMB

Boltzmann collision term Q takes the **hard sphere** model:

$$B(\xi - \xi_*, \omega) = |(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega|.$$

- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^3$
 - ▶ **Global existence: Guo (IM, '03) (Energy method)**
 - ▶ **Large-time behavior of solutions: Jang (ARMA, '09)**
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$
 - ▶ **Global existence: Strain (CMP, '06) (Use two-species' cancelation property to control E and pure time derivatives)**
 - ▶ **Large-time behavior of solutions: D.-Strain ('10) (Linearized analysis + bootstrap to the nonlinear equation)**

! Unknown for non hard-sphere model !

Previous results on VML

The only existing results concern the case of the absence of the variable magnetic field, i.e.

Vlasov-Poisson-Landau instead of VML

- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^3$: Guo (JAMS, '12)
- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$:
 - ▶ D.-Yang-Zhao (arXiv '11): an application of the exponential weight
 - ▶ Strain-Zhu (arXiv '12) and Yu (preprint '12): approach by Guo
 - ▶ Wang (arXiv '12): pure energy method without linearized analysis

! Unknown in the case of VML !

Linearization (Carleman, Grad, ...)

- ▶ Define the perturbation u as $u = \mathbf{M}^{-1/2}(f - \mathbf{M})$,
 $u = [u_+, u_-]$, $f = [f_+, f_-]$, $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}_{[1,0,1]}(\xi)$.
- ▶ Boltzmann's H-theorem implies: $f_{\pm} \rightarrow \mathbf{M}$, $[E, B] \rightarrow 0$.
- ▶ The linearized system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + \xi \cdot \nabla_x u - E \cdot \xi \mathbf{M}^{1/2} [1, -1] = \mathbf{L}u + g, \\ \partial_t E - \nabla_x \times B = -\langle [\xi, -\xi] \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\}u \rangle, \\ \partial_t B + \nabla_x \times E = 0, \\ \nabla_x \cdot E = \langle \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, u_+ - u_- \rangle, \quad \nabla_x \cdot B = 0, \\ [u, E, B]|_{t=0} = [u_0, E_0, B_0], \end{cases}$$

$$\ker \mathbf{L} = \text{span} \left\{ [1, 0] \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, [0, 1] \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, [\xi_i, \xi_i] \mathbf{M}^{1/2} (1 \leq i \leq 3), [|\xi|^2, |\xi|^2] \mathbf{M}^{1/2} \right\}.$$

- ▶ The local Maxwellian

$$\mathbf{P}_{\pm} u = \{a_{\pm}(t, x) + b(t, x) \cdot \xi + c(t, x)(|\xi|^2 - 3)\} \mathbf{M}^{1/2}.$$

Dissipation from \mathbf{L} :

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u \cdot \mathbf{L}u \, d\xi \lesssim - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \nu(\xi) |\{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\}u|^2 \, d\xi$$

- ▶ **Collision frequency:** $\nu(\xi) = \langle \xi \rangle^\gamma$; **P:** projection from L_ξ^2 to $\ker \mathbf{L}$
- ▶ **A summary of possible difficulties:**
 - ▶ **The dissipation of $\mathbf{P}u$ is missing:** The local Maxwellian is dispersive in the whole space due to the degeneration of \mathbf{L} ! (Hypocoercivity: Villani)
 - ▶ **If $\gamma < 1$ then how to control a nonlinear term which grows in large $|\xi|$ at least linearly?**
 - ▶ **If $\gamma < 0$ then how to control 1st-order velocity derivative of the linear transport term $\xi \cdot \nabla_x u$?**
 - ▶ **If $\gamma < 0$ is much smaller then how to control the nonlinear transport term $E \cdot \nabla_\xi u$ provided that the velocity differentiation needs the extra velocity weight?**

Dissipation of $\mathbf{P}u$

Observation (Grad, Kawashima, Liu-Yu, Guo, D.-Strain '10):

- Find dissipation from the dynamics of the local Maxwellian?

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t a_{\pm} + \nabla_x \cdot b + \nabla_x \cdot \langle \xi \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle &= 0, \\ \partial_t [b_i + \langle \xi_i \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle] + \partial_i (a_{\pm} + 2c) \mp E_i \\ &+ \nabla_x \cdot \langle \xi \xi_i \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle = 0, \\ \partial_t \left[c + \frac{1}{6} \langle (|\xi|^2 - 3) \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle \right] + \frac{1}{3} \nabla_x \cdot b \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \nabla_x \cdot \langle (|\xi|^2 - 3) \xi \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle = 0,\end{aligned}$$

These equations are NOT closed!

- ▶ To close the system of the local Maxwellian, we also need to study the **high-order moment equations**:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t[\Theta_{ii}(\{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u) + 2c] + 2\partial_i b_i &= \Theta_{ii}(l_{\pm}), \\ \partial_t \Theta_{ij}(\{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u) + \partial_j b_i + \partial_i b_j + \nabla_x \cdot \langle \xi \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, \{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u \rangle \\ &= \Theta_{ij}(l_{\pm}), \quad i \neq j, \\ \partial_t \Lambda_i(\{\mathbf{I}_{\pm} - \mathbf{P}_{\pm}\}u) + \partial_i c &= \Lambda_i(l_{\pm}). \end{aligned}$$

Here, the **high-order moment functions** are defined by

$$\Theta_{ij}(u_{\pm}) = \langle (\xi_i \xi_j - 1) \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, u_{\pm} \rangle, \quad \Lambda_i(u_{\pm}) = \frac{1}{10} \langle (|\xi|^2 - 5) \xi_i \mathbf{M}^{1/2}, u_{\pm} \rangle,$$

and \mathbf{L}_{\pm} are defined in terms of $\{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\}u$.

- ▶ For $\gamma \geq 0$, there is a time-frequency functional $\mathcal{E}(t, k)$ such that

$$\mathcal{E}(t, k) \sim \|\hat{u}\|_{L^2_\xi}^2 + |\hat{E}|^2 + |\hat{B}|^2,$$

and

$$\partial_t \mathcal{E}(t, k) + \frac{\lambda |k|^2}{(1 + |k|^2)^2} \mathcal{E}(t, k) \leq 0, \quad \forall t \geq 0, k \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Remark:

- ▶ The inequality seems terrible to prove decay rates because the “dissipative term” goes to zero as $|k| \rightarrow \infty$.
- ▶ It is an essential “regularity-loss” feature for the VMB system, not a deficiency of our approach; see D. (Eigenvalue analysis of damped Euler-Maxwell, '11), Hosono-Kawashima (M3AS '06), Ueda-D.-Kawashima ('11):

$$\lambda(ik) \sim -\frac{1}{|k|^2} \pm i|k| \quad (|k| \rightarrow \infty).$$

Case when $\gamma < 0$: D. (arXiv '12)

The situation becomes more subtle for $\gamma < 0$; see Strain ('11) and D.-Yang-Zhao ('11)

- ▶ Let $w = w(\xi) = \langle \xi \rangle^{\frac{\gamma+2}{2}}$ for Landau.
- ▶ Derive

$$\partial_t M_\ell(t, k) + \kappa D_\ell(t, k) \leq 0,$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} M_\ell(t, k) &= \|\hat{u}\|_{L^2}^2 + |[\hat{E}, \hat{B}]|^2 + \kappa_0 \Re \mathcal{E}^{\text{int}}(t, k) \\ &\quad + \kappa_2 \left| w^\ell \{ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \} \hat{u} \right|_{L^2} \chi_{|k| \leq 1} + \frac{\kappa_1}{1 + |k|^2} \left| w^\ell \hat{u} \right|_{L^2}^2 \chi_{|k| \geq 1}, \\ D_\ell(t, k) &= | \{ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \} \hat{u} |_{\mathbf{D}}^2 + \frac{1}{1 + |k|^2} \left| w^\ell \{ \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P} \} \hat{u} \right|_{\mathbf{D}}^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{|k|^2}{1 + |k|^2} (| \widehat{a_+ + a_-} |^2 + |\hat{b}|^2 + |c|^2) + | \widehat{a_+ - a_-} |^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{1 + |k|^2} |\hat{E}|^2 + \frac{|k|^2}{(1 + |k|^2)^2} |\hat{B}|^2, \quad \rho(k) = \frac{|k|^2}{(1 + |k|^2)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Make the time weighted estimate

$$M_\ell(t, k) \lesssim [1 + \epsilon \rho(k)t]^{-J} M_{\ell+J+p-1}(0, k).$$

Nonlinear perturbation theory for general collisional potentials

- ▶ Mathematically, when there is an external force, it is highly nontrivial to generalize existing results to the case of **non hard-sphere model**, which is also of physical importance!
- ▶ A progress was made by Guo (JAMS, '11):
 - ▶ the Landau collision with the **Coulomb potential** ($\gamma = -3$)
 - ▶ the potential force $E = -\nabla\phi$ with vanishing $B = 0$:

$$(\xi \cdot \nabla_x u + \nabla_x \phi \cdot \xi u) e^\phi = \xi \cdot \nabla_x (e^\phi u).$$

- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^3$
- ▶ It is difficult to deal with the **non-potential force** !!!

- ▶ A completely different approach was developed by D.-Yang-Zhao (arXiv '11)

- ▶ A new dissipative mechanism due to the introduction of the time-velocity dependent weight

$$\exp\{\lambda\langle\xi\rangle^q/(1+t)^\theta\}$$
$$\Rightarrow \partial_t e^{\frac{\lambda\langle\xi\rangle^q}{(1+t)^\theta}} = -\lambda\theta \frac{\langle\xi\rangle^q}{(1+t)^{1+\theta}} e^{\frac{\lambda\langle\xi\rangle^q}{(1+t)^\theta}}.$$

- ▶ The approach that we developed can apply to
 - Landau or Boltzmann
 - $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$ or \mathbb{T}^3
 - For the Boltzmann with most of values of γ : angular cutoff or non-cutoff
 - Maxwell system (**non-potential force**) can be included!

Main results:

Global classical solutions near a global Maxwellian uniquely exist and time asymptotically tend to the Maxwellian with some rates for the cases of

- ▶ D.-Yang-Zhao ('11): Vlasov-Poisson-Boltzmann, angular cutoff with $-2 \leq \gamma \leq 1$
- ▶ D.-Liu ('11): Vlasov-Poisson-Boltzmann, angular non cutoff with $-3 < \gamma < -2$ and $1/2 \leq s < 1$
- ▶ D. (arXiv '12): Vlasov-Maxwell-Landau, soft potentials $-3 \leq \gamma < -2$ including the Coulomb $\gamma = -3$

Idea in the proofs:

- ▶ Find an energy functional $\mathcal{E}(t)$ and its time-weighted norm $X(t)$ such that

$$X(t) \lesssim Y_0 + [X(t)]^2.$$

- ▶ To control the term $E \cdot \nabla_{\xi} u$ and $E \cdot \xi u$, the time-decay of E is needed. Thus, Y_0 generally includes L^1 -norm of initial data. Note that Y_0 needs to be small enough to ensure the global-in-time bound by the continuity argument.
- ▶ To balance an estimate on both $E \cdot \nabla_{\xi} u$ and $\xi \cdot \nabla_x u$, γ can NOT be too small in the cutoff case. However, in the non cutoff case, since

$$\int u \mathbf{L} u d\xi \lesssim - \int \langle \xi \rangle^{\gamma+2s} |\{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\} u|^2 d\xi - \{\dots\},$$

we may require that $\gamma + 2s$ need not be too small.

Idea in the proofs (cont.):

- ▶ **To deal with the degeneration of $\nu(\xi)$ for soft potentials, choose $\mathcal{E}(t)$ in the way that**
 - ▶ **higher the differentiation order is, the order of velocity weights is lower, for instance, consider $(\partial_\alpha^\beta = \partial_x^\beta \partial_\xi^\alpha, |\alpha| + |\beta| = N)$**

$$\iint \partial_\alpha^\beta Q(u, u) \cdot w_{\alpha, \beta, \ell}^2(t, \xi) \partial_\alpha^\beta u \, dx d\xi.$$

- ▶ **To deal with the degeneration of the Maxwell equations, choose $X(t)$ in the way that**
 - ▶ **higher the order of $\mathcal{E}_N(t)$ is, the rate of its time weights is lower;**
 - ▶ **the highest-order energy norm $\mathcal{E}_N(t)$ may increase in time! For instance, consider**

$$\iint \partial_\alpha^\beta [(B \times \xi) \cdot \nabla_\xi u] \cdot w_{\alpha, \beta, \ell}^2(t, \xi) \partial_\alpha^\beta u \, dx d\xi.$$

Idea in the proofs (cont.):

- ▶ **A trouble occurs to the estimate on**

$$\iint \partial_{\beta}^{\alpha}(E \cdot \xi \mathbf{M}^{1/2}) \cdot w_{\alpha, \beta, \ell}^2(t, \xi) \partial_{\beta}^{\alpha} u \, dx d\xi \quad (|\alpha| + |\beta| = N)$$

No dissipation for $\int |\nabla_x^N E|^2$!

Use an idea from Hosono-Kawashima (M3AS '06) to deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} [(1+t)^{-\epsilon_0} \mathcal{E}_{N_1}(t)] + \kappa(1+t)^{-\epsilon_0} \mathcal{D}_{N_1}(t) \\ + \frac{\epsilon_0}{(1+t)^{1+\epsilon_0}} \mathcal{E}_{N_1}(t) \lesssim (1+t)^{-\epsilon_0} \times \{h.o.t.\}. \end{aligned}$$

from the basic energy inequality without any weight

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{N_1}(t) + \kappa \mathcal{D}_{N_1}(t) \lesssim h.o.t..$$

Problems for the future:

- ▶ **Bounded domain**
- ▶ **Eigenvalue analysis and the spectrum**

Thank you !