

Large-time behavior for fluid and kinetic plasmas with collisions

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I: Motivations

Consider the two-fluid Vlasov-type system with collisions

$$\partial_t F_\alpha + \xi \cdot \nabla_x F_\alpha + \frac{q_\alpha}{m_\alpha} (E + \frac{\xi}{c} \times B) \cdot \nabla_\xi F_\alpha = \left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{collision}},$$

$$\alpha \in \{i, e\},$$

coupling to the Maxwell system

$$\partial_t E - c \nabla \times B = -4\pi J,$$

$$\partial_t B + c \nabla \times E = 0,$$

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

with

$$J = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi F_{\alpha} d\xi, \quad \rho = \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} F_{\alpha} d\xi.$$

Bilinear collision terms

$$\left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t}\right)_{\text{collision}} = \sum_{\beta} Q(F_\alpha, F_\beta).$$

- Conservation laws (\Rightarrow macro fluid-type system):

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} m_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t}\right)_{\text{collision}} d\xi &= 0, \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} m_\alpha \xi_i \left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t}\right)_{\text{collision}} d\xi &= 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 3, \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} m_\alpha |\xi|^2 \left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t}\right)_{\text{collision}} d\xi &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

- Entropy product (\Rightarrow second law of thermodynamics):

$$\sum_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \ln F_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial F_\alpha}{\partial t}\right)_{\text{collision}} d\xi \leq 0,$$

with equality iff F_α for all α are Maxwellians.

The type of binary collisions depends on the physical situation under consideration:

- ▶ Landau collision (**Fokker-Planck type**): fully ionized plasma, all collisions grazing
- ▶ Boltzmann collision: fully ionized plasma, collisions grazing at the deflection angle $\theta = 0$ (non-cutoff vs cutoff)
- ▶ Linear Boltzmann collision: weakly ionized plasma ($\alpha = i, e, n$), $Q_{\alpha\alpha}$ ($\alpha = i, e$) skipped. In this case, no conservations of momentum and energy.
- ▶ ...

Boltzmann's H-theorem:

$$\partial_t F = Q(F, F) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d\xi \{-F \log F\} \right] \geq 0.$$

- ▶ (Physical) entropy increasing. This gives a description of the second law of thermodynamics.
- ▶ Entropy takes the maximization at the Maxwellian

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

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

- ▶ **Goal:** prove stability and convergence rate of solutions around the (global) Maxwellian or a non-trivial profile (wave pattern) in the spatially non-homogeneous case.

Associated with $F_\alpha(t, x, \xi)$, one can introduce the macro moments

$$n_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} F_\alpha(t, x, \xi) d\xi,$$

$$u_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \frac{1}{n_\alpha(t, x)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi F_\alpha(t, x, \xi) d\xi,$$

$$\theta_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \frac{1}{3k_\alpha n_\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\xi - u_\alpha(t, x)|^2 F_\alpha(t, x, \xi) d\xi, \quad k_\alpha = \frac{k_B}{m_\alpha},$$

and the high-order moments (thermal quantities)

$$\begin{aligned} P_\alpha(t, x) &\equiv m_\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (\xi - u_\alpha) \otimes (\xi - u_\alpha) F_\alpha(t, x, \xi) d\xi \\ &= p_\alpha I + \Pi_\alpha, \quad p_\alpha = k_B n_\alpha \theta_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$h_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \frac{1}{2} m_\alpha \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\xi - u_\alpha|^2 (\xi - u_\alpha) F_\alpha(t, x, \xi) d\xi,$$

$$\mathcal{R}_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \sum_\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} m_\alpha (\xi - u_\alpha) \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta} d\xi,$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_\alpha(t, x) \equiv \sum_\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{2} m_\alpha |\xi - u_\alpha|^2 \mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta} d\xi.$$

Macro fluid moment system (**Euler-Maxwell**, un-closed!!!):

$$(\partial_t + u_\alpha \cdot \nabla_x) n_\alpha + n_\alpha \nabla_x \cdot u_\alpha = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} n_\alpha m_\alpha (\partial_t + u_\alpha \cdot \nabla_x) u_\alpha + \nabla_x (k_B n_\alpha \theta_\alpha) \\ = n_\alpha q_\alpha (E + \frac{u_\alpha}{c} \times B) - \nabla_x \cdot \Pi_\alpha + \mathcal{R}_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{2} n_\alpha (\partial_t + u_\alpha \cdot \nabla_x) k_B \theta_\alpha + k_B n_\alpha \theta_\alpha \nabla_x \cdot u_\alpha \\ = -\Pi_\alpha : \nabla_x u_\alpha - \nabla_x \cdot h_\alpha + \mathcal{Q}_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

coupled to

$$\partial_t E - c \nabla \times B = -4\pi \sum_\alpha q_\alpha n_\alpha u_\alpha,$$

$$\partial_t B + c \nabla \times E = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot E = 4\pi \sum_\alpha q_\alpha n_\alpha, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0.$$

The mathematical results for the VMB in perturbation framework (Pure BE¹: Carleman, Grad, UKai,...):

$$Q_{\alpha\beta}(F_\alpha, F_\beta) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{S^2} q(\xi - \xi_*, \omega) \{F_\alpha(\xi') F_\beta(\xi'_*) - F_\alpha(\xi) F_\beta(\xi_*)\} d\xi d\omega,$$

where for $\omega \in S^2$,

$$\xi' = \xi - \frac{2m_\beta}{m_\alpha + m_\beta} [(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega] \omega,$$

$$\xi'_* = \xi_* + \frac{2m_\alpha}{m_\alpha + m_\beta} [(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega] \omega.$$

$$q(\xi - \xi_*, \omega) = |(\xi - \xi_*) \cdot \omega|. \quad (\text{Hard-sphere model})$$

- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^3$
 - ▶ **Global existence: Guo (IM, 2003) (Energy method)**
 - ▶ **Large-time behavior of solutions: Jang (ARMA, 2009) ($t^{-\infty}$)**

¹Non-perturbation framework: DiPerna-Lions, Desvillettes-Villani, Gualdani-Mischler-Mouhot (arXiv),...

- ▶ $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$
 - ▶ **Global existence: Strain (CMP, 2006) (Use two-species' cancelation property to control E and pure time derivatives)**
 - ▶ **Large-time behavior of solutions: D.-Strain (2010) ($t^{-3/4}$, Linearized analysis + bootstrap to the nonlinear equation)**

Note: Mathematically it is highly nontrivial to generalize all the above results to the case of non hard-sphere model ($\gamma < 1$).

(Why? It is formally due to $L \sim |\xi|^\gamma$ with $\gamma \leq 1$ but $N \sim |\xi|$, for large $|\xi|!$)

Remark: Energy and energy product in the Fourier space at the linearized level for $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3$ (D.-Strain):

$$\partial_t \mathcal{E}(t, k) + \lambda \|\nu^{1/2} \{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\} \hat{u}\|_{L_\xi^2}^2 + \frac{\lambda |k|^2}{1+|k|^2} \|\mathbf{P} \hat{u}\|_{L_\xi^2}^2 + \lambda |\hat{E}|^2 + \frac{\lambda |k|^2}{(1+|k|^2)^2} |\hat{B}|^2 \leq 0,$$

with

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

This implies

$$\mathcal{E}(t, k) \leq e^{-\frac{\lambda |k|^2}{(1+|k|^2)^2} t} \mathcal{E}(0, k).$$

- ▶ For $k \neq 0$, $i\mathbb{R} \cap \sigma(\hat{\mathcal{B}}(ik)) = \emptyset$ but one branch of $\lambda(ik)$ tends to 0 with rate $1/|k|^2$ as $|k| \rightarrow \infty$.
- ▶ It also means that $(i\tau + \mathcal{B})^{-1}$ is unbounded as $|\tau| \rightarrow \infty$.
- ▶ Abstract spectral theory and applications to the Bresse system for polynomial stability of semigroup: Rivera-Racke, Liu-Rao, Batty,...

Questions:

- ▶ **Is the energy product optimal?** (Li-Yang-Zhong (Spectral analysis, arXiv, 2014))
- ▶ **Can the fluid-type system (Euler-Maxwell) with dampings enjoy a similar property?**
(Ueda-Kawashima(MAA, 2011), D. (JHDE 2011), Ueda-Wang-Kawashima (SIMA 2012), ...)
- ▶ **What happens to the long-range potentials with/without angular cutoff?** (Guo (VPL, JAMS 2012)→**VPB, VMB, or VML???**)
- ▶ **Abstract theory?** (Kawashima's compensation function→**coupling system**)
- ▶ **Stability of the non-trivial profile (wave patterns)?**

II: Eigenvalue problem on Euler-Maxwell with collisions

Non-damped case:

- ▶ One-fluid case for electrons: Germain-Masmoudi (dispersive but still a kind of system of Klein-Gordon equations with different speeds! arXiv 2011)
- ▶ Two-fluid case: Guo-Ionescu-Pausader (arXiv 2013)

II-1: Case of one-fluid for electrons

Consider the Euler-Maxwell system with relaxation²:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t n + \nabla \cdot (nu) = 0, \\ \partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla u + \frac{1}{n} \nabla p(n) = -(E + u \times B) - \nu u, \\ \partial_t E - \nabla \times B = nu, \\ \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0, \\ \nabla \cdot E = n_b - n, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0. \end{array} \right.$$

Here, $n = n(t, x) \geq 0$, $u = u(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, $E = E(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and $B = B(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, for $t > 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$, denote the electron density, electron velocity, electric field and magnetic field, respectively. Initial data is given as

$$[n, u, E, B]|_{t=0} = [n_0, u_0, E_0, B_0], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

²D. Nicholson, Introduction to Plasma Theory, 1992. 

Consider the linearized homogeneous system for
 $U = [\rho, u, E, B]$ **around** $[\rho = 1, u = 0, E = 0, B = 0]$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot u = 0, \\ \partial_t u + \gamma \nabla \rho + E + u = 0, \\ \partial_t E - \nabla \times B - u = 0, \\ \partial_t B + \nabla \times E = 0, \\ \nabla \cdot E = -\rho, \quad \nabla \cdot B = 0, \quad t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^3, \end{array} \right.$$

with given initial data

$$U|_{t=0} = U_0 := [\rho_0, u_0, E_0, B_0], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^3,$$

satisfying the compatible condition

$$\nabla \cdot E_0 = -\rho_0, \quad \nabla \cdot B_0 = 0.$$

For $t \geq 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}^3$ with $|k| \neq 0$, define the *decomposition*

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\rho}(t, k) \\ \hat{u}(t, k) \\ \hat{E}(t, k) \\ \hat{B}(t, k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\rho}(t, k) \\ \hat{u}_{\parallel}(t, k) \\ \hat{E}_{\parallel}(t, k) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \hat{u}_{\perp}(t, k) \\ \hat{E}_{\perp}(t, k) \\ \hat{B}_{\perp}(t, k) \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\hat{u}_{\parallel}, \hat{u}_{\perp}$ are defined by

$$\hat{u}_{\parallel} = \tilde{k} \tilde{k} \cdot \hat{u}, \quad \hat{u}_{\perp} = -\tilde{k} \times (\tilde{k} \times \hat{u}) = (\mathbf{I}_3 - \tilde{k} \otimes \tilde{k}) \hat{u},$$

Define

$$U^I = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\rho}(t, k) \\ \hat{u}_{\parallel}(t, k) \\ \hat{E}_{\parallel}(t, k) \end{bmatrix}, \quad U^{II} = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u}_{\perp}(t, k) \\ \hat{E}_{\perp}(t, k) \\ \hat{B}_{\perp}(t, k) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$U = U^I + U^{II}.$$

Theorem

U^I, U^{II} satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t^2 U^I - \gamma \Delta U^I + U^I + \partial_t U^I = 0, \\ \partial_t U^{II} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}_3 & \mathbf{I}_3 & 0 \\ -\mathbf{I}_3 & 0 & -\nabla \times \\ 0 & \nabla \times & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^{II} = 0. \end{cases}$$

Furthermore, $\mathcal{F}U^I = G_{7 \times 7}^I(t, k) \mathcal{F}U_0^I$ with

$$G_{7 \times 7}^I = e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \cos(\sqrt{3/4 + \gamma|k|^2}t) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 0_3 & \\ & & 0_3 \end{bmatrix} + e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \frac{\sin(\sqrt{3/4 + \gamma|k|^2}t)}{\sqrt{3/4 + \gamma|k|^2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -ik & 0 \\ -i\gamma k & -1/2\mathbf{I}_3 & -\mathbf{I}_3 \\ 0 & \mathbf{I}_3 & 1/2\mathbf{I}_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To solve U^{II} , consider the characteristic equation

$$F(\chi) := \chi^3 + \chi^2 + (1 + |k|^2)\chi + |k|^2 = 0.$$

Lemma

Let $|k| \neq 0$. The equation $F(\chi) = 0$, $\chi \in \mathbb{C}$, has a real root $\sigma = \sigma(|k|) \in (-1, 0)$ and two conjugate complex roots

$\chi_{\pm} = \beta \pm i\omega$ with $\beta = \beta(|k|) \in (-1/2, 0)$ and $\omega = \omega(|k|) \in (\sqrt{6}/3, \infty)$ satisfying

$$\beta = -\frac{\sigma + 1}{2}, \quad \omega = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3\sigma^2 + 2\sigma + 3 + 4|k|^2}.$$

σ, β, ω are smooth over $|k| > 0$, and $\sigma(|k|)$ is strictly decreasing in $|k| > 0$ with

$$\lim_{|k| \rightarrow 0} \sigma(|k|) = 0, \quad \lim_{|k| \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(|k|) = -1.$$

Lemma (cont.)

Moreover, the following asymptotic behaviors hold true:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(|k|) &= -O(1)|k|^2, \\ \beta(|k|) &= -\frac{1}{2} + O(1)|k|^2, \quad \omega(|k|) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + O(1)|k|\end{aligned}$$

whenever $|k| \leq 1$ is small, and

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(|k|) &= -1 + O(1)|k|^{-2}, \\ \beta(|k|) &= -O(1)|k|^{-2}, \quad \omega(|k|) = O(1)|k|\end{aligned}$$

whenever $|k| \geq 1$ is large. Here and in the sequel $O(1)$ denotes a generic strictly positive constant.

Remarks:

- Recently Ueda-D.-Kawashima (2012) developed a **general theory** for characterising the structure of the linear symmetric hyperbolic system with partially relaxation in the case of the regularity-loss type ($p = 1, q = 2$)

$$\mathcal{E}(t, k) \leq e^{-\lambda \frac{|k|^{2p}}{(1+|k|^2)^{2q}} t} \mathcal{E}(0, k).$$

Only Fourier energy method!

The key point is to introduce a symmetric matrix S besides the skew-symmetric matrix K .

- More recently Ueda-D.-Kawashima (2013) also constructed two classes of concrete regularity-loss type ($p < q$) models for more **general values** of (p, q) in terms of phase dimensions.

II-2: Case of two-fluid: Justification of diffusion effect

Consider the **two-fluid** ($\alpha = i, e$) **Euler-Maxwell** system

$$\partial_t n_\alpha + \nabla \cdot (n_\alpha u_\alpha) = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_\alpha n_\alpha (\partial_t u_\alpha + u_\alpha \cdot \nabla u_\alpha) + \nabla p_\alpha(n_\alpha) \\ = q_\alpha n_\alpha (E + \frac{u_\alpha}{c} \times B) - \nu_\alpha m_\alpha n_\alpha u_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t E - c \nabla \times B = -4\pi J,$$

$$\partial_t B + c \nabla \times E = 0,$$

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

with

$$J = \sum_{\alpha} q_\alpha n_\alpha u_\alpha, \quad \rho = \sum_{\alpha} q_\alpha n_\alpha.$$

$$t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Our goal is to give a complete analysis of

- eigenvalue problems,
- as well as the optimal large-time behaviour of solutions, i.e., **tending time-asymptotically linear diffusive waves**.

This can be regarded as an attempt for the mathematical justification of **Darcy's law** in the context of two-fluid plasma with collisions at the linear level.

Heuristic derivation of diffusion waves:

Expected long-term asymptotic profile satisfies the quasi-neutral assumption:

$$n_i = n_e = n(t, x), \quad u_i = u_e = u(t, x), \quad B = \text{Const.}$$

Assume: $B = (0, 0, |B|)$ along x_3 -direction. Then, the momentum equations

$$\nabla p_\alpha(n) = q_\alpha n \left(E + \frac{u}{c} \times B \right) - \nu_\alpha m_\alpha n u,$$

can uniquely determine ($p_\alpha(n) = T_\alpha n$ w.l.g.)

$$n \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 n \\ \partial_2 n \\ \partial_3 n \end{pmatrix}.$$

and moreover,

$$n \begin{pmatrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \\ E_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{e} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{T_i m_e \nu_e - T_e m_i \nu_i}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & \frac{e|B|}{c} \frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & 0 \\ -\frac{e|B|}{c} \frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & \frac{T_i m_e \nu_e - T_e m_i \nu_i}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{T_i m_e \nu_e - T_e m_i \nu_i}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 n \\ \partial_2 n \\ \partial_3 n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Notice that n therefore satisfies the diffusion equation

$$\partial_t n - \mu_1 \Delta n = 0, \quad \mu_1 := \frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e}.$$

Whenever $p_\alpha(\cdot)$ takes the γ -law, the corresponding diffusion wave is nonlinear with isotropic diffusion coefficient.

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- ▶ R.J. Goldston and P.H. Rutherford, *Introduction to Plasma Physics*, Taylor & Francis (1995).

it is said that

The ambipolar electron and ion fluxes are then obtained from equation (12.22) for electrons:

$$n\mathbf{u}_{e\perp} = n\mathbf{u}_{i\perp} = -D_a \nabla_{\perp} n \quad (12.24)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D_a &\approx \frac{v_{en}(T_e + T_i)}{m\omega_{ce}^2} \\ &\approx v_{en} \langle r_{Le}^2 \rangle \left(1 + \frac{T_i}{T_e} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (12.25)$$

where $\langle r_{Le}^2 \rangle = T_e / (m\omega_{ce}^2) = mT_e / (e^2 B^2)$ is the mean-square Larmor radius of the electrons. The diffusion coefficient D_a is seen to be inversely proportional to B^2 . Clearly, our result agrees—at least in some sense—with the heuristic result given in equation (12.10), except that ambipolar diffusion is at the slower rate similar in order-of-magnitude to that given by equation (12.10) for *electrons*.

Remark: A cancelation effect due to two-fluid could be ignored in the above formal argument of the textbook.

The expected asymptotic equations for the electromagnetic part in the sense of "Darcy's Law":

$$\begin{cases} -e\bar{E}_\perp + m_i\nu_i\bar{u}_{i,\perp} = 0, \\ e\bar{E}_\perp + m_e\nu_e\bar{u}_{e,\perp} = 0, \\ -c\nabla \times \bar{B} + 4\pi n(e\bar{u}_{i,\perp} - e\bar{u}_{e,\perp}) = 0, \\ \partial_t\bar{B} + c\nabla \times \bar{E}_\perp = 0. \end{cases}$$

Letting $n = 1$, this gives

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t\bar{B} - \mu_2\Delta B = 0, & \mu_2 = \frac{c^2 m_i\nu_i m_e\nu_e}{4\pi e^2(m_i\nu_i + m_e\nu_e)}, \\ \bar{u}_{i,\perp} = \frac{e}{m_i\nu_i}\bar{E}_\perp = \frac{c}{4\pi e} \frac{m_e\nu_e}{m_i\nu_i + m_e\nu_e} \nabla \times \bar{B}, \\ \bar{u}_{e,\perp} = -\frac{e}{m_e\nu_e}\bar{E}_\perp = -\frac{c}{4\pi e} \frac{m_i\nu_i}{m_i\nu_i + m_e\nu_e} \nabla \times \bar{B}, \\ \bar{E}_\perp = \frac{c}{4\pi e^2} \frac{m_i\nu_i m_e\nu_e}{m_i\nu_i + m_e\nu_e} \nabla \times \bar{B}. \end{cases}$$

Goal: Mathematical justification!

Main results: (D.-Liu-Zhu, arXiv 2014)

- Eigenvalue analysis shows that

$$|\widehat{U}(t, k) - \overline{\widehat{U}}(t, k)| \lesssim \chi_{|k| \leq 1} |k| e^{-\lambda |k|^2 t} |\widehat{U}_0(k)| + \chi_{|k| \geq 1} e^{-\frac{\lambda}{|k|^2} t} |\widehat{U}_0(k)|,$$

where U is the solution to the linearized Cauchy problem with initial data U_0 , and \overline{U} is the solution to the asymptotic diffusion equations with the same initial data.

The proof is also combined with the Fourier energy estimate for the high-frequency region.

• **Solutions to the nonlinear Cauchy problem tend time-asymptotically toward the diffusion waves with a faster rate than the one in which solutions themselves decay. Precisely, let $U = [\rho_\alpha, u_\alpha, E, B]$ be the solution the perturbed Cauchy problem on the Euler-Maxwell system with initial data U_0 . Define $U^* = U^*(x, t) = [\rho^*, u_\alpha^*, E^*, B^*]$ by**

$$\rho^*(x, t) = G_{\mu_1}(x, t + 1) \left(\frac{m_i \nu_i}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_{i0}(x) dx + \frac{m_e \nu_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_{e0}(x) dx \right),$$

$$B^*(x, t) = G_{\mu_2}(x, t + 1) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \bar{B}_0(x) dx = G_{\mu_2}(x, t + 1) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} B_0(x) dx,$$

$$u_\alpha^*(t, x) = -\frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \nabla n^*(t, x) + \frac{c}{4\pi q_\alpha} \frac{m_e \nu_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \nabla \times B^*(t, x),$$

$$E^*(t, x) = \frac{T_i m_e \nu_e - T_e m_i \nu_i}{e(m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e)} \nabla n^*(t, x) + \frac{c}{4\pi e^2} \frac{m_i \nu_i m_e \nu_e}{m_i \nu_i + m_e \nu_e} \nabla \times B^*(t, x).$$

Then, one can show:

$$\|(U - U^*)(t)\| \lesssim (1 + t)^{-\frac{5}{4}},$$

under additional conditions on initial data:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_{\alpha 0}(x) dx = 0, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} B_0(x) dx = 0.$$

Remark:

$$\|U^*(t)\| \sim (1 + t)^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

$\Rightarrow U^*$ is a large-time asymptotic profile in terms of Darcy's law! More precisely,

$$\sum_{\alpha=i,e} \|\rho_{\alpha} - \rho_{\alpha}^*\| + \|B - B^*\| \leq C(1 + t)^{-\frac{5}{4}},$$

and

$$\sum_{\alpha=i,e} \|u_{\alpha} - u_{\alpha}^*\| + \|E - E^*\| \leq C(1 + t)^{-\frac{7}{4}}.$$

Approach: Energy estimate combined with the result from the spectral analysis (D.-Ukai-Yang-Zhao 2008)

$$U - U^* = \underbrace{(U - e^{tL}U_0)}_I + \underbrace{(e^{tL}U_0 - \bar{U})}_{II} + \underbrace{(\bar{U} - U^*)}_{III},$$

that is,

$$\rho_\alpha - \rho^* = (\rho_\alpha - \mathbf{P}_{1\alpha}e^{tL}U_0) + (\mathbf{P}_{1\alpha}e^{tL}U_0 - \bar{\rho}) + (\bar{\rho} - \rho^*),$$

$$u_\alpha - u^* = (u_\alpha - \mathbf{P}_{2\alpha}e^{tL}U_0) + (\mathbf{P}_{2\alpha}e^{tL}U_0 - \bar{u}_\alpha) + (\bar{u}_\alpha - u_\alpha^*),$$

$$E - E^* = (E - \mathbf{P}_3e^{tL}U_0) + (\mathbf{P}_3e^{tL}U_0 - \bar{E}) + (\bar{E} - E^*),$$

$$B - B^* = (B - \mathbf{P}_4e^{tL}U_0) + (\mathbf{P}_4e^{tL}U_0 - \bar{B}) + (\bar{B} - B^*).$$

Remark: It seems more interesting to justify the asymptotic equations in the sense of generalised Darcy's laws in the following settings

- ▶ **nonlinear diffusion connecting different end states along one direction** (Hsiao-Liu, CMP 1992);
- ▶ **appearance of vacuum related to the asymptotic stability of Barenblatt solution** (Huang-Marcati-Pan, ARMA 2005).

III: Two-fluid VMB system without angular cutoff

Recent progress in non-cutoff case for the pure Boltzmann:

- ▶ Alexandre-Morimoto-Ukai-Xu-Yang (AMUXY) (CMP 2011, JFA 2012)
- ▶ Gressman-Strain (JAMS, 2011)

Consider the Boltzmann equations

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

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

coupling to

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

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

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

Here

$$F_{\pm} = F_{\pm}(t, x, \xi) \geq 0,$$

$$x = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3, t \geq 0.$$

Initial data:

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

with

$$\nabla_x \cdot E_0 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (F_{0,+} - F_{0,-}) d\xi, \quad \nabla_x \cdot B_0 = 0.$$

Boltzmann collision operator:

$$Q(F, G) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{S}^2} q(\xi - \xi_*, \sigma) [F(\xi')G(\xi'_*) - F(\xi)G(\xi_*)] d\xi_* d\sigma,$$

$$\xi' = \frac{\xi + \xi_*}{2} + \frac{|\xi - \xi_*|}{2} \sigma, \quad \xi'_* = \frac{\xi + \xi_*}{2} - \frac{|\xi - \xi_*|}{2} \sigma.$$

$$q(\xi - \xi_*, \sigma) = C_q |\xi - \xi_*|^\gamma b(\cos \theta),$$

with

$$\cos \theta = \sigma \cdot (\xi - \xi_*) / |\xi - \xi_*|$$

$$C_q > 0, \gamma > -3$$

$$\exists C_b > 0, 0 < s < 1 \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\frac{1}{C_b \theta^{1+2s}} \leq \sin \theta b(\cos \theta) \leq \frac{C_b}{\theta^{1+2s}}, \quad \forall \theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}].$$

Our interest:

- ▶ **Collisions by Boltzmann for angular non-cutoff and for soft potentials**
- ▶ **Electric-magnetic fields occur**
- ▶ **No relativistic effect**

Theorem (D.-Liu-Yang-Zhao, KRM '13)

Assume

$$\max \left\{ -3, -\frac{3}{2} - 2s \right\} < \gamma < -2s, \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq s < 1.$$

For initial data $(f_0(x, \xi), E_0(x), B_0(x))$ regular enough and small enough, Cauchy problem on Vlasov-Maxwell-Boltzmann system admits a unique classical solution

$$(f(t, x, \xi), E(t, x), B(t, x))$$

satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(t)\|_{L^2_{x,\xi}} + \|(E, B)(t)\|_{L^2} &\lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{3}{4}}, \\ \|\nabla_x f(t)\|_{L^2_{x,\xi}} + \|\nabla_x(E, B)(t)\|_{L^2} &\lesssim (1+t)^{-\frac{5}{4}}. \end{aligned}$$

Remarks:

- ▶ Convergence rates are the same as those obtained by Ukai's spectrum method for the angular cutoff Boltzmann equation without forces ($E = B = 0$).
- ▶ Collision kernel includes the inverse power law which can be close to the Coulomb potential, i.e. $\gamma \rightarrow -3+$, $s \rightarrow 1-$.
- ▶ Restriction $s \geq 1/2$ is technical and essentially needed in our proof, since by **AMUXY**

$$C_1 \left\{ |f|_{H_{\gamma/2}^s}^2 + |f|_{L_{s+\gamma/2}^2}^2 \right\} \leq |f|_{\mathbf{D}}^2 \leq C_2 |f|_{H_{s+\gamma/2}^s}^2,$$

for $f \in (\ker L)^\perp$, where $|f|_{\mathbf{D}}^2 = \langle -Lf, f \rangle$ is the Dirichlet norm.

Main difficulties and our efforts in the proof

▶ Angular non-cutoff:

- ▶ Use the commutator estimates by AMUXY
- ▶ **Extra effort:** Introduce the exponential weight into the non-cutoff framework

▶ Soft potentials:

- ▶ Use the weighted energy norm by Guo
- ▶ **Extra effort:** To take care the nonlinear estimates, use the velocity-time-dependent weight (D.-Yang-Zhao, '12):

$$w_{\tau,\lambda} = w_{\tau,\lambda}(t, \xi) = \langle \xi \rangle^{\gamma\tau} \exp \left\{ \frac{\lambda}{(1+t)^\vartheta} \langle \xi \rangle \right\}.$$

Note: Guo's trick (JAMS '12):

$$e^{\mp\phi} f_{\pm} (\mp \frac{1}{2} \nabla_x \phi \cdot \xi f_{\pm} + \xi \cdot \nabla_x f_{\pm}) = \frac{1}{2} \xi \cdot \nabla_x (e^{\mp\phi} f_{\pm}^2)$$

fails in the case of **non-potential forces!**

Main difficulties and our efforts in the proof (cont.)

- ▶ **Regularity-loss of (E, B) :**

- ▶ **D.-Strain:** The dissipation rate of $\|(E, B)\|_{H^N}^2$ includes only

$$\|E\|_{H^{N-1}}^2 + \|\nabla_x B\|_{H^{N-2}}^2.$$

- ▶ **Extra effort:** Make the time-weighted estimates with time weight of negative power

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} [(1+t)^{-\sigma} \|(E, B)(t)\|_{H^N}^2] + \sigma(1+t)^{-\sigma-1} \|(E, B)(t)\|_{H^N}^2 \\ \leq \text{“h.o.t.”} \end{aligned}$$

Such approach firstly introduced by Hosono-Kawashima (M3AS 2006).

IV: Non-trivial large-time behaviour of VPB system

Consider the Vlasov-Poisson-Boltzmann system:

$$0 \leq F = F(t, x, \xi), \quad t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}, \xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3:$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t F + \xi_1 \partial_x F - \partial_x \phi \partial_{\xi_1} F = Q(F, F), \\ -\partial_x^2 \phi = \rho - \rho_e(\phi), \quad \rho = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} F d\xi, \end{array} \right.$$

with

$$F(0, x, \xi) = F_0(x, \xi) \geq 0.$$

We assume

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} F_0(x, \xi) = \frac{\rho_{\pm}}{(2\pi\theta_{\pm})^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{|\xi - u_{\pm}|^2}{2\theta_{\pm}}}, \quad u_{\pm} = [u_{1\pm}, 0, 0],$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \phi(t, x) = \phi_{\pm}, \quad \rho_{\pm} = \rho_e(\phi_{\pm}).$$

A typical example³:

$$\rho_e(\phi) = \left[1 + \frac{\gamma_e - 1}{\gamma_e} \frac{\phi}{A_e} \right]^{\frac{1}{\gamma_e - 1}},$$

with

$$\gamma_e > 1, \quad \phi_m = -\frac{\gamma_e}{\gamma_e - 1} A_e, \quad \phi_M = +\infty,$$

motivated by the momentum equation of electrons under the assumption that the electron mass is sufficiently small:

$$m_e \rho_e (\partial_t u_e + u_e \partial_x u_e) + \partial_x (A_e \rho_e^{\gamma_e}) = \rho_e \partial_x \phi.$$

The limit case $\gamma_e \rightarrow 1$ (electron isothermal):

$$\rho_e(\phi) = e^{\frac{\phi}{A_e}}.$$

³This has been recently used by D. Han-Kwan (CPDE 2011,...) 

In general, we assume

(A) $\rho_e(\phi) : (\phi_m, \phi_M) \rightarrow (\rho_m, \rho_M)$ is a positive smooth function with

$$\rho_m = \inf_{\phi_m < \phi < \phi_M} \rho_e(\phi), \quad \rho_M = \sup_{\phi_m < \phi < \phi_M} \rho_e(\phi),$$

and

(A₁) $\rho_e(0) = 1$ with $0 \in (\phi_m, \phi_M)$;

(A₂) $\rho_e(\phi) > 0$, $\rho'_e(\phi) > 0$ for each $\phi \in (\phi_m, \phi_M)$;

(A₃) $\rho_e(\phi)\rho''_e(\phi) \leq [\rho'_e(\phi)]^2$ for each $\phi \in (\phi_m, \phi_M)$.

Motivation of introducing (\mathcal{A}_3) : Define

$$P^\phi(\rho) = \int^\rho \frac{\varrho}{\rho'_e(\rho_e^{-1}(\varrho))} d\varrho,$$

in terms of

$$\boxed{\partial_x P^\phi(\rho) = \rho \partial_x \phi}$$

under the quasi-neutral assumption $\rho = \rho_e(\phi)$. One can check

$$\partial_\rho P^\phi(\rho) = \frac{\rho_e(\phi)}{\rho'_e(\phi)}, \quad \partial_\rho^2 P^\phi(\rho) = \frac{[\rho'_e(\phi)]^2 - \rho_e(\phi)\rho''_e(\phi)}{[\rho'_e(\phi)]^3},$$

with $\phi = \rho_e^{-1}(\rho)$ on the right. Due to (\mathcal{A}_2) and (\mathcal{A}_3) ,

$$\partial_\rho P^\phi(\rho) > 0, \quad \partial_\rho^2 P^\phi(\rho) \geq 0,$$

for each $\rho \in (\rho_m, \rho_M)$.

Previous works on the pure Boltzmann:

$$(\partial_t + \xi \cdot \nabla_x)F = Q(F, F).$$

- ▶ Shock wave: Cafilisch-Nicolaenko, Liu-Yu, Yu,...
- ▶ Rarefaction wave: Liu-Yang-Yu-Zhao,...
- ▶ Contact discontinuity: Huang-Yang,...

However,

no result on the Vlasov-Poisson-Boltzmann!

Remark: $\phi(t, x)$ satisfying the Poisson equation may take the distinct states at both far fields $x = \pm\infty$:

$$\phi(t, -\infty) \neq \phi(t, +\infty), \quad t \geq 0.$$

The **goal** of this work:

- ▶ Construct the rarefaction wave of VPB system:

$$\mathbf{M}_{[\rho^R, u^R, \theta^R](x/t)}(\xi), \quad \phi^R(x/t),$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_{[\rho^R, u^R, \theta^R](z)}(\xi) &\rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{[\rho_{\pm}, u_{\pm}, \theta_{\pm}]}(\xi) \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow \pm\infty \\ \phi^R(z) &\rightarrow \phi_{\pm} \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow \pm\infty; \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Prove that the rarefaction wave is time-asymptotically stable under small perturbation:

$$f(t, x, \xi) \rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{[\rho^R, u^R, \theta^R](x/t)}(\xi), \quad \phi(t, x) \rightarrow \phi^R(x/t),$$

as $t \rightarrow \infty$, whenever they are sufficiently “close” at initial time.

Recall that

$$\psi_0 = 1, \quad \psi_i = \xi_i \quad (i = 1, 2, 3), \quad \psi_4 = \frac{1}{2}|\xi|^2,$$

are five collision invariants satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \psi_i Q(F, F) d\xi = 0 \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Macro-Micro decomposition (Liu-Yang-Yu):

$$F(t, x, \xi) = \mathbf{M}(t, x, \xi) + \mathbf{G}(t, x, \xi),$$

with

$$\mathbf{M}_{[\rho(t,x), u(t,x), \theta(t,x)]}(\xi) \equiv \frac{\rho(t, x)}{(2\pi R\theta(t, x))^{\frac{3}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{|\xi - u(t, x)|^2}{2R\theta(t, x)}\right),$$

through

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(t, x) &\equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} F(t, x, \xi) d\xi, \\ \rho(t, x)u_i(t, x) &\equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \psi_i(\xi)F(t, x, \xi) d\xi, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ \left[\rho \left(\frac{3}{2}R\theta(t, x) + \frac{1}{2}|u(t, x)|^2 \right) \right] &\equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \psi_4(\xi)F(t, x, \xi) d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Euler-Poisson type system (unclosed!): From

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \psi_i (\partial_t F + \xi_1 \partial_x F - \partial_x \phi \partial_{\xi_1} F) d\xi = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4,$$

one can deduce ($P = R\rho\theta$)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \rho + \partial_x (\rho u_1) = 0, \\ \partial_t (\rho u_1) + \partial_x (\rho u_1^2) + \partial_x P + \rho \partial_x \phi = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi_1^2 \partial_x \mathbf{G} d\xi, \\ \partial_t (\rho u_i) + \partial_x (\rho u_1 u_i) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi_i \xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{G} d\xi, \quad i = 2, 3, \\ \partial_t \left[\rho \left(\frac{3}{2} R\theta + \frac{1}{2} |u|^2 \right) \right] + \partial_x \left[u_1 \left(\rho \left(\frac{3}{2} R\theta + \frac{1}{2} |u|^2 \right) + P \right) \right] \\ \quad + \rho u_1 \partial_x \phi = - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\xi|^2 \xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{G} d\xi, \\ -\partial_x^2 \phi = \rho - \rho_e(\phi). \end{array} \right.$$

To capture viscosity and heat-conductivity, we rewrite

$$(\partial_t + \xi_1 \partial_x - \partial_x \phi \partial_{\xi_1})(\mathbf{M} + \mathbf{G}) = Q(\mathbf{M} + \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{G}),$$

and apply the projection $\mathbf{P}_1^{\mathbf{M}} : f \mapsto \mathbf{G} = f - \mathbf{M}$ to it, so

$$\partial_t \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{P}_1^{\mathbf{M}} (\xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{M}) + \mathbf{P}_1^{\mathbf{M}} (\xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{G}) - \partial_x \phi \partial_{\xi_1} \mathbf{G} = L_{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{G} + Q(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}).$$

This further implies

$$\mathbf{G} = L_{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{P}_1^{\mathbf{M}} (\xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{M}) \right) + \Theta,$$

with

$$\Theta = L_{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} \left[\partial_t \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{P}_1^{\mathbf{M}} (\xi_1 \partial_x \mathbf{G}) - \partial_x \phi \partial_{\xi_1} \mathbf{G} \right] - L_{\mathbf{M}}^{-1} [Q(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G})].$$

Plugging to zero-order fluid type system, we obtain

Navier-Stokes-Poisson type system (unclosed!):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \rho + \partial_x(\rho u_1) = 0, \\ \partial_t u_1 + u_1 \partial_x u_1 + \frac{\partial_x P}{\rho} + \partial_x \phi = \frac{3}{\rho} \partial_x (\mu(\theta) \partial_x u_1) - \frac{1}{\rho} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi_1^2 \partial_x \Theta d\xi, \\ \partial_t u_i + u_1 \partial_x u_i = \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_x (\mu(\theta) \partial_x u_i) - \frac{1}{\rho} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \xi_1 \xi_i \partial_x \Theta d\xi, \quad i = 2, 3, \\ \partial_t \left(\mathcal{E} + \frac{1}{2} |u|^2 \right) + u_1 \partial_x \left(\mathcal{E} + \frac{1}{2} |u|^2 \right) + \frac{\partial_x (P u_1)}{\rho} + u_1 \partial_x \phi \\ \quad = \frac{1}{\rho} \partial_x (\kappa(\theta) \partial_x \theta) + \frac{3}{\rho} \partial_x (\mu(\theta) u_1 \partial_x u_1) + \frac{1}{\rho} \sum_{i=2}^3 \partial_x (\mu(\theta) u_i \partial_x u_i) \\ \quad \quad - \frac{1}{2\rho} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\xi|^2 \xi_1 \partial_x \Theta d\xi, \\ -\partial_x^2 \phi = \rho - \rho_e(\phi). \end{array} \right.$$

We expect (**Why?**) that the large-time behaviour is determined by the **quasineutral Euler** system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \rho \partial_x u_1 + u_1 \partial_x \rho = 0, \\ \partial_t u_1 + u_1 \partial_x u_1 + \frac{\partial_x P}{\rho} + \partial_x \phi = 0, \\ \partial_t \theta + u_1 \partial_x \theta + \frac{P \partial_x u_1}{\rho} = 0, \\ \rho = \rho_e(\phi), \end{cases}$$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \rho \partial_x u_1 + u_1 \partial_x \rho = 0, \\ \partial_t u_1 + u_1 \partial_x u_1 + \frac{\partial_x [P + P^\phi(\rho)]}{\rho} = 0, \\ \partial_t S + u_1 \partial_x S = 0, \end{cases}$$

with $P = ke^S \rho^{5/3}$.

The Q.E. system has three characteristics

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda_1 = \lambda_1(\rho, u_1, S) \equiv u_1 - \sqrt{\partial_\rho P(\rho, S) + \partial_\rho P^\phi(\rho)}, \\ \lambda_2 = \lambda_2(\rho, u_1, S) \equiv u_1, \\ \lambda_3 = \lambda_3(\rho, u_1, S) \equiv u_1 + \sqrt{\partial_\rho P(\rho, S) + \partial_\rho P^\phi(\rho)}. \end{array} \right.$$

The admissible set of 3-rarefaction wave:

$$R_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, \theta_-) \equiv \left\{ [\rho, u_1, \theta] \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \mid \frac{\rho^{2/3}}{\theta} = \frac{\rho_-^{2/3}}{\theta_-}, \right. \\ \left. u_1 - u_{1-} = \int_{\rho_-}^{\rho} \frac{\sqrt{\partial_\rho P(\varrho, S_i) + \partial_\rho P^\phi(\varrho)}}{\varrho} d\varrho, \rho > \rho_-, u_1 > u_{1-} \right\}.$$

The 3-rarefaction wave $[\rho^R, u_1^R, \theta^R](z)$ with $z = x/t \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 \lambda_3(\rho^R(z), u_1^R(z), S_i) \\
 = \begin{cases}
 \lambda_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, S_i) & \text{for } z < \lambda_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, S_i), \\
 z & \text{for } \lambda_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, S_i) \leq z \leq \lambda_3(\rho_+, u_{1+}, S_i), \\
 \lambda_3(\rho_+, u_{1+}, S_i) & \text{for } z > \lambda_3(\rho_+, u_{1+}, S_i),
 \end{cases} \\
 \\
 u_1^R(z) - u_{1-} = \int_{\rho_-}^{\rho^R(z)} \sqrt{\frac{5}{3} A_i \varrho^{-\frac{4}{3}} + \varrho^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{d\varrho}(\rho_e^{-1}) \right)}(\varrho) d\varrho, \\
 \\
 \theta^R(z) = \frac{3}{2} A_i (\rho^R(z))^{2/3}.
 \end{array} \right.$$

The smooth rarefaction wave $[\rho^r, u^r, \theta^r](t, x)$ and $\phi^r(t, x)$ with $u^r(t, x) = [u_1^r(t, x), 0, 0]$ are defined by

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda_3(\rho^r(t, x), u_1^r(t, x), S_i) = w(t, x), \\ u_1^r(t, x) - u_{1-} = \int_{\rho_-}^{\rho^r(t, x)} \sqrt{\frac{5}{3} A_i \varrho^{-\frac{4}{3}} + \varrho^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{d\varrho}(\rho_e^{-1}) \right) (\varrho)} d\varrho, \\ \theta^r(t, x) = \frac{3}{2} A_i (\rho^r(t, x))^{2/3}, \quad \phi^r(t, x) = \rho_e^{-1}(\rho^r(t, x)), \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} [\rho^r, u_1^r, \theta^r](t, x) = [\rho_{\pm}, u_{1\pm}, \theta_{\pm}], \quad [\rho_+, u_{1+}, \theta_+] \in R_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, \theta_-), \end{array} \right.$$

with $w = w(t, x)$ being the solution to the Burgers' equation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t w + w \partial_x w = 0, \\ w(0, x) = w_0(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2}(w_+ + w_-) + \frac{1}{2}(w_+ - w_-) \tanh(\epsilon x), \\ w_{\pm} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda_3(\rho_{\pm}, u_{1\pm}, S_i). \end{array} \right.$$

Here $\epsilon > 0$ is a constant to be chosen later on.

A technical notion for the weighted energy estimates:

Let the *reference weight function* $\mathbf{M}_* = \mathbf{M}_*(\xi) = \mathbf{M}_{[\rho_*, u_*, \theta_*]}(\xi)$ be a global Maxwellian such that the constant state $[\rho_*, u_*, \theta_*]$ with $u_* = [u_{1*}, 0, 0]$ satisfies

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \sup_{(t,x) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}} \theta^r(t, x) < \theta_* < \inf_{(t,x) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}} \theta^r(t, x), \\ \sup_{(t,x) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}} \{ |\rho^r(t, x) - \rho_*| + |u^r(t, x) - u_*| + |\theta^r(t, x) - \theta_*| \} < \eta_0, \end{array} \right.$$

for a constant $\eta_0 > 0$ which is not necessarily small.

Remark: All inequalities are strict! (Why needed? It is also true for solutions due to small perturbation!!!)

Theorem (D.-Liu, arXiv:1405.2522)

Assume that $[\rho_+, u_{1+}, \theta_+] \in R_3(\rho_-, u_{1-}, \theta_-)$, $\rho_{\pm} = \rho_e(\phi_{\pm})$ with $\phi_{\pm} \in (\phi_m, \phi_M)$, and $\rho_e(\cdot)$ satisfies (\mathcal{A}) . Let

$$\delta_r = |\rho_+ - \rho_-| + |u_{1+} - u_{1-}| + |\theta_+ - \theta_-|$$

be the wave strength which is not necessarily small. There are $\epsilon_0 > 0$, $0 < \sigma_0 < 1/3$ and $C_0 > 0$, which may depend on δ_r and η_0 , such that if $F_0(x, \xi) \geq 0$ and

$$\sum_{|\alpha|+|\beta|\leq 2} \left\| \partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta (F_0(x, \xi) - \mathbf{M}_{[\rho^r, u^r, \theta^r]}(0, x)(\xi)) \right\|_{L_x^2 \left(L_\xi^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathbf{M}_*(\xi)}} \right) \right)}^2 + \epsilon \leq \epsilon_0^2,$$

then the Cauchy problem on the Vlasov-Poisson-Boltzmann system admits a unique global solution

$$[F(t, x, \xi), \phi(t, x)],$$

satisfying

Theorem (conti.)

$$F(t, x, \xi) \geq 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{t \geq 0} \sum_{|\alpha|+|\beta| \leq 2} \left\| \partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^\beta (F(t, x, \xi) - \mathbf{M}_{[\rho^r, u^r, \theta^r]}(t, x)(\xi)) \right\|_{L_x^2 \left(L_\xi^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathbf{M}_*(\xi)}} \right) \right)}^2 \\ & + \sup_{t \geq 0} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2} \left\| \partial_x^\alpha (\phi(t, x) - \rho_e^{-1}(\rho^r(t, x))) \right\|_{H^1}^2 \leq C_0 \epsilon_0^{2\sigma_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left\{ \left\| F(t, x, \xi) - \mathbf{M}_{[\rho^R, u^R, \theta^R]}(x/t)(\xi) \right\|_{L_\xi^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathbf{M}_*(\xi)}} \right)} \right. \\ & \left. + |\phi(t, x) - \rho_e^{-1}(\rho^R(x/t))| \right\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Final Remark: Two-fluid Navier-Stokes-Poisson system:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t n_i + \partial_x(n_i u_i) = 0, \\ m_i n_i (\partial_t u_i + u_i \partial_x u_i) + T_i \partial_x n_i - n_i \partial_x \phi = \mu_i \partial_x^2 u_i, \\ \partial_t n_e + \partial_x(n_e u_e) = 0, \\ m_e n_e (\partial_t u_e + u_e \partial_x u_e) + T_e \partial_x n_e + n_e \partial_x \phi = \mu_e \partial_x^2 u_e, \\ \partial_x^2 \phi = n_i - n_e, \quad t > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{array} \right.$$

Initial data are given by

$$[n_\alpha, u_\alpha](0, x) = [n_{\alpha 0}(x), u_{\alpha 0}(x)], \quad \alpha = i, e, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

with

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} [n_{\alpha 0}, u_{\alpha 0}](x) = [n_\pm, u_\pm], \quad \alpha = i, e.$$

The boundary values of ϕ at infinity are set by

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \phi(t, x) = \phi_\pm, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Large-time behavior for rarefaction waves can be determined by the quasineutral Euler system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t n + \partial_x(nu) = 0, \\ n(\partial_t u + u\partial_x u) + \frac{T_i + T_e}{m_i + m_e} \partial_x n = 0, \end{cases}$$

with the potential function ϕ in large time determined by

$$\phi = \frac{T_i m_e - T_e m_i}{m_i + m_e} \ln n.$$

We can also show

$$n_\alpha(t, x) \rightarrow n^R(x/t), \quad u_\alpha(t, x) \rightarrow u^R(x/t), \quad \alpha = i, e,$$

and

$$\phi(t, x) \rightarrow \phi^R(x/t) := \frac{T_i m_e - T_e m_i}{m_i + m_e} \ln n^R(x/t),$$

uniformly for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ as t goes to infinity.

Open problems:

- ▶ **Existence and stability of shock wave and contact discontinuity?**
- ▶ **Collisional plasma on the half-space? (Related to the kinetic Bohm's criterion, see M. Suzuki's talk for justification at the fluid level)**

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