

Stability of the spectral gap for the Boltzmann multi-species operator linearized around non-equilibrium Maxwell distributions

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Mono-species case

Boltzmann equation

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

Thanks to the H theorem:

- ▶ time-decreasing entropy $\iint F \log F \, dv \, dx$
- ▶ F equilibrium iff $Q(F, F) = 0$ iff there exist c, u, T such that

$$F(t, x, v) = \frac{c(t, x)}{(2\pi kT(t, x))^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{|v-u(t,x)|^2}{2kT(t,x)}} \quad (\text{local Maxwellian})$$

- ▶ when $t \rightarrow +\infty$, global equilibrium μ , uniform w.r.t. space

$$\mu(v) = \frac{\bar{c}}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{|v|^2}{2}} \quad (\text{global Maxwellian})$$

up to changes of coordinates (temperature = 1, velocity = 0)

Perturbative method

Write $F = \mu + f$, where we assume $f \ll \mu$

The Boltzmann equation then becomes

$$\partial_t f + v \cdot \nabla_x f = \underbrace{Q(\mu, f) + Q(f, \mu)}_{:= Lf} + \underbrace{Q(f, f)}_{\ll Lf}$$

- ▶ Entropy for the linearized operator $H_L(f) = \int f^2 \mu^{-1} dv$ assuming that $f \in L^2_v(\mu^{-1})$
- ▶ Multiply the (approx.) eqn on f by $f \mu^{-1}$ and integrate w.r.t. v

$$\partial_t H_L(f) + \nabla_x \cdot \left(\int v f^2 \mu^{-1} dv \right) = \underbrace{\int Lf f \mu^{-1} dv}_{:= D_L(f)}$$

⇒ study the entropy production functional $D_L(f)$ associated to L

Coercivity estimate

$$D_L(f) \leq -\lambda_L \|f - \pi_L f\|_{L^2_\nu(\mu^{-1})}$$

where $\lambda_L > 0$ is the smallest eigenvalue of $-L$ and $\pi_L f$ is the orthogonal projection of f on $\ker L$

- ▶ Both Carleman and Grad use the Weyl theorem
 $\Rightarrow \lambda_L$ not explicitly computable
- ▶ First explicit estimate by Bobylev in the Maxwell molecule case
- ▶ Major contributions by Mouhot and coauthors

In the multi-species case too:

- ▶ [DAUS, JÜNGEL, MOUHOT, ZAMPONI], when all the species have the same atomic mass
- ▶ [BRIANT, DAUS], in general cases with angular cutoff

Motivation of our work

- ▶ **Rigorous** derivation of the Maxwell-Stefan eqns

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t c_i + \nabla_x \cdot N_i &= 0 \\ -\nabla_x c_i &= \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{c_j N_i - c_i N_j}{\Delta_{ij}}\end{aligned}$$

as the diffusive asymptotics $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ of the Boltzmann eqn for mixtures

$$\varepsilon \partial_t F_i + v \cdot \nabla_x F_i = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} Q_i(F, F)$$

after the formal ones [BOUDIN, GREC, SALVARANI], [BOUDIN, GREC, PAVAN]

- ▶ Importance of local Maxwellian functions with **different** velocities for each species

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Collision operator

- ▶ Mixture of N ideal monatomic gases without chemical reactions
- ▶ Collision rules parametrized through $\sigma \in \mathbb{S}^2$
 $(m_i, v'), (m_j, v'_*) \mapsto (m_i, v), (m_j, v_*)$

$$v' = \frac{1}{m_i + m_j} (m_i v + m_j v_* + m_j |v - v_*| \sigma)$$

$$v'_* = \frac{1}{m_i + m_j} (m_i v + m_j v_* - m_i |v - v_*| \sigma)$$

- ▶ Define $\theta = \widehat{(v - v_*, \sigma)}$
- ▶ Collision operator $Q(F, F) = (Q_1(F, F), \dots, Q_N(F, F))$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_i(F, F) &= \sum_j Q_{ij}(F_i, F_j) \\ &= \sum_j \iint B_{ij}(|v - v_*|, \cos \theta) [F'_i F'_{j*} - F_i F_{j*}] d\sigma dv_* \end{aligned}$$

Assumptions on the cross sections

(H1) Symmetry $B_{ij} = B_{ji}$

(H2) $B_{ij}(|v - v_*|, \cos \theta) = \Phi_{ij}(|v - v_*|) b_{ij}(\cos \theta)$

(H3) Power-law potential $\Phi_{ij}(|v - v_*|) \propto |v - v_*|^\gamma$, $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$

(H4) Grad's angular cutoff $0 < b_{ij}(\cos \theta) \leq C |\sin \theta| |\cos \theta|$

► Functional setting: weighted L_v^2 space

$$\langle F, G \rangle_{L_v^2(W)} = \sum_i \int F_i G_i W_i dv$$

$$\|F\|_{L_v^2(W)}^2 = \sum_i \int F_i^2 W_i dv$$

if $F, G : \mathbb{R}_v^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ and $W : \mathbb{R}_v^3 \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}_+^*)^N$ positive measurable

- ▶ Weak forms of Q_{ij}

- ▶ Collisional invariants $\psi : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$

$$\psi \in \text{Span}(e^{(1)}, \dots, e^{(N)}, v_1 m, v_2 m, v_3 m, |v|^2 m)$$

where $e^{(i)} = (\delta_{i,j})_{1 \leq j \leq N}$, $m = (m_1, \dots, m_N)$

- ▶ H theorem \Rightarrow

$Q(F, F) = 0$ iff the F_i are local Maxwellians with the **same** velocity

- ▶ Stationary solution given, up to change of coordinates, by

$$\mu_i(v) = \bar{c}_i \left(\frac{m_i}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m_i \frac{|v|^2}{2}}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- ▶ Linearized operator $Lf = (L_1 f, \dots, L_N f)$ with

$$L_i f = \sum_j Q_{ij}(\mu_i, f_j) + Q_{ij}(f_i, \mu_j), \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

Local Maxwellians of interest

$$M_i^\varepsilon(t, x, v) = \bar{c}_i \left(\frac{m_i}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-m_i \frac{|v - \varepsilon u_i(t, x)|^2}{2}}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- ▶ Small macroscopic velocities $O(\varepsilon)$ of each species, so that $M^\varepsilon \simeq \mu$
- ▶ Local in both time and space Maxwellian M^ε
- ▶ **Not a local equilibrium** for Q since $u_i \neq u_j \Rightarrow Q(M^\varepsilon, M^\varepsilon) \neq 0$
- ▶ Writing $F = M^\varepsilon + f$ implies

$$\partial_t M^\varepsilon + v \cdot \nabla_x M^\varepsilon + \partial_t f + v \cdot \nabla_x f = Q(M^\varepsilon, M^\varepsilon) + L^\varepsilon f + Q(f, f)$$

which allows to introduce the operator L^ε linearized around M^ε

$$L_i^\varepsilon f = \sum_j Q_{ij}(M_i^\varepsilon, f_j) + Q_{ij}(f_i, M_j^\varepsilon), \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- ▶ L^ε is **not self-adjoint** since $M_i^{\varepsilon'} M_j^{\varepsilon'} \neq M_i^\varepsilon M_j^\varepsilon$

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Spectral gap for L (1)

Theorem (Daus, Jüngel, Mouhot, Zamponi)

Denoting $\langle v \rangle = (1 + |v|^2)^{1/2}$ and $\mathcal{H} = L_v^2(\langle v \rangle^\gamma \mu^{-1})$, there exists $\lambda_L > 0$, which can be explicitly computed, such that, for any $f \in L_v^2(\mu^{-1})$,

$$\langle f, Lf \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})} \leq -\lambda_L \|f - \pi_L f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2.$$

- ▶ Decompose L into the sum of its mono-species and bi-species parts

$$L_i^m f = 2Q_{ij}(f_i, \mu_i), \quad L_i^b f = \sum_{j \neq i} Q_{ij}(\mu_i, f_j) + Q_{ij}(f_i, \mu_j), \quad 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- ▶ Five-step proof:

- 1 Coercivity estimate on the mono-species operator L^m
- 2 Take into account the cross-effects on $g = f - \pi_m f$
- 3 “Coercivity estimate” on the bi-species operator L^b
- 4 Link the previous estimate to g and $f - \pi_L f$
- 5 Gather all the estimates to conclude

Spectral gap for L (2)

- ▶ Coercivity for L^m

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f, Lf \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})} &= \overbrace{\langle f, L^b f \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})}}^{\leq 0} + \langle f, L^m f \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})} \\ &\leq -\lambda_m \underbrace{\|f - \pi_m f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2}_{\perp \ker L^m} \end{aligned}$$

If we stop here, we neglect all the cross effects between the species.

- ▶ $\langle f, Lf \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})} \leq (8\eta - \lambda_m) \|g\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 + \eta \langle \pi_m f, L^b \pi_m f \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})}$
for some $\eta > 0$
- ▶ Coercivity for L^b on $\ker L^m$: since $(\pi_m f)_i = \alpha_i + u_i \cdot v + e_i |v|^2$,
 $\langle \pi_m f, L^b \pi_m f \rangle_{L_v^2(\mu^{-1})} \leq -C \sum_{i,j} |u_i - u_j|^2 + |e_i - e_j|^2 := -C \mathcal{P}(u, e)$
- ▶ Then $\mathcal{P}(u, e) \geq C \|f - \pi_L f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 - 2C \|f - \pi_m f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$
- ▶ Simple algebraic computations to conclude

“Spectral gap” for L^ε

Set $\mathcal{R}_{i,\delta}^\varepsilon(t, x) = 1 + |u_i(t, x)| \exp\left(\frac{4m_i}{1-\delta}\varepsilon^2 |u_i(t, x)|^2\right)$

and $\mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon(t, x) = \max_i \left(\bar{c}_i^{1-\delta} |u_i(t, x)| \mathcal{R}_{i,\delta}^\varepsilon(t, x)\right)$.

Theorem (AB, Boudin, Briant, Grec)

There exists $C > 0$, which can be explicitly computed, such that, for any $f \in L^2_V(\mu^{-1})$, and for some $\delta \in (0, 1)$ adequately chosen,

$$\langle f, L^\varepsilon f \rangle_{L^2_V(\mu^{-1})} \leq -(\lambda_L - \varepsilon C \mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon(t, x)) \|f - \pi_L f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 + \varepsilon C \mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon(t, x) \|\pi_L f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$$

- ▶ Main idea: $L^\varepsilon = L + (L^\varepsilon - L)$
- ▶ Spectral gap for L
- ▶ How can we handle the correction term in $(L - L^\varepsilon)$?
 - ▶ $M^\varepsilon = \mu + O(\varepsilon)$
 - ▶ $L - L^\varepsilon =$ multiplicative operator + integral operator in a kernel form

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Estimate on $M^\varepsilon - \mu$ pointwise

Lemma

For any $\delta \in (0, 1)$, there exists an explicit constant $C_\delta > 0$ s.t., for any v ,

$$|M_i^\varepsilon(v) - \mu_i(v)| \leq C_\delta \bar{c}_i^{1-\delta} |u_i| \mathcal{R}_{i,\delta}^\varepsilon \mu_i(v)^\delta \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} |M_i^\varepsilon(v) - \mu_i(v)| &= \varepsilon \left| \int_0^1 ((v - \varepsilon s u_i) \cdot u_i) \mu_i(v - \varepsilon s u_i) ds \right| \\ &\leq \varepsilon |u_i| \mu_i(v)^\delta \int_0^1 (|v| + \varepsilon |u_i|) \mu_i(v - \varepsilon s u_i) \mu_i(v)^{-\delta} ds \\ &\leq \varepsilon |u_i| \bar{c}_i^{1-\delta} \left(\frac{m_i}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} \mu_i(v)^\delta (|v| + \varepsilon |u_i|) \\ &\quad \exp \left(-(1 - \delta) \frac{m_i}{2} |v|^2 + \varepsilon m_i |u_i| |v| \right) \end{aligned}$$

Then discuss whether $|v| \geq \frac{4\varepsilon |u_i|}{1 - \delta}$ or not

Writing the correction term

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle f, L^\varepsilon f - Lf \rangle_{L^2_v(\mu^{-1})} &= \sum_{i,j} \iiint B_{ij}(M_i^{\varepsilon'} - \mu'_i) f'_{j*} f_i \mu_i^{-1} d\sigma dv_* dv \\
 &+ \sum_{i,j} \iiint B_{ij}(M_{j*}^{\varepsilon'} - \mu'_{j*}) f'_i f_i \mu_i^{-1} d\sigma dv_* dv \\
 &- \sum_{i,j} \iiint B_{ij}(M_i^\varepsilon - \mu_i) f_{j*} f_i \mu_i^{-1} d\sigma dv_* dv \\
 &- \sum_{i,j} \iiint B_{ij}(M_{j*}^\varepsilon - \mu_{j*}) f_i^2 \mu_i^{-1} d\sigma dv_* dv
 \end{aligned}$$

→ 4 terms $\mathcal{T}_1^\varepsilon(f)$, $\mathcal{T}_2^\varepsilon(f)$, $\mathcal{T}_3^\varepsilon(f)$, $\mathcal{T}_4^\varepsilon(f)$

The last terms $\mathcal{T}_3^\varepsilon(f)$ and $\mathcal{T}_4^\varepsilon(f)$ are the simplest ones:
use the previous lemma to obtain the estimate.

In order to deal with $\mathcal{T}_1^\varepsilon(f)$ and $\mathcal{T}_2^\varepsilon(f)$, we need to rewrite them thanks to

$$\iint B_{ij} f_i' f_j' \, d\sigma \, dv_* = \int \left(\frac{C_{ij}}{|v - v_*|} \int_{\tilde{E}_{vv_*}^{ij}} \frac{B_{ij}}{|u - v_*|} f_i(u) \, d\tilde{E}(u) \right) f_j^* \, dv_*$$

$$\iint B_{ij} f_i' f_j^* \, d\sigma \, dv_* = \int \left(\frac{C_{ji}}{|v - v_*|} \int_{E_{vv_*}^{ij}} \frac{B_{ij}}{|u - v_*|} f_j(u) \, dE(u) \right) f_i^* \, dv_*$$

where dE is the Lebesgue measure on some hyperplane $E_{vv_*}^{ij}$ orthogonal to $v - v_*$ and $d\tilde{E}$ the Lebesgue measure on the set $\tilde{E}_{vv_*}^{ij}$ which is $E_{vv_*}^{ij}$ if $m_i = m_j$, and a sphere of radius and center depending on v, v_* , if $m_i \neq m_j$

We focus on $\mathcal{T}_2^\varepsilon(f)$, because $\mathcal{T}_1^\varepsilon(f)$ can be treated in the same way, but with the additional difficulty of dealing with different masses in the Maxwellians

Auxiliary function I_{ji}^δ

Define $I_{ji}^\delta(v, v_*) = \frac{C_{ji}}{|v - v_*|} \int_{E_{vv_*}^{ij}} \frac{B_{ij}}{|u - v_*|} \mu_j(u)^\delta dE(u)$

Then, in the same way as in [Guo, CPAM '02], there exists $\bar{\delta} \in (0, 1)$ such that, for any $\delta \in (\bar{\delta}, 1)$, there exists $C_{ji}(\delta) > 0$ such that

$$\int I_{ji}^\delta(v, v_*) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_i(v_*)}{\mu_i(v)}} dv \leq C_{ji}(\delta), \quad \int I_{ji}^\delta(v, v_*) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_i(v_*)}{\mu_i(v)}} dv_* \leq C_{ji}(\delta)$$

Hence, setting $h_i = f_i \mu_i^{-1/2}$,

$$\mathcal{I}_2^\varepsilon(f) \leq \varepsilon C_\delta \mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon \sum \iiint B_{ij} \mu_j'^{\delta} |f_i'| |f_i| \mu_i^{-1} d\sigma dv_* dv \quad (\text{lemma})$$

$$\leq \varepsilon C_\delta \mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon \sum \iint I_{ji}^\delta(v, v_*) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{i*}}{\mu_i}} |h_{i*}| |h_i| dv_* dv \quad (+ \text{Young})$$

$$\leq \varepsilon \tilde{C}_\delta \mathcal{S}_\delta^\varepsilon \|f\|_{L_v^2(\langle v \rangle^\gamma \mu^{-1})}^2$$

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Conclusions

- ▶ Spectral gap on L , near a global Maxwellian equilibrium
- ▶ Spectral gap on L^ε , near a local non-equilibrium Maxwellian
- ▶ Rigorous convergence, in the diffusion asymptotics, of the solutions to the Boltzmann eqn for mixtures towards the solutions to the Maxwell-Stefan equations (AB, Briant, submitted 2019)

Thank you for your attention!