

Stability estimates in some classical functional inequalities

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An introduction to entropy methods

- Entropies and diffusions on \mathbb{R}^d (linear case)
 - ▷ φ -entropies and entropy-entropy production inequalities
 - ▷ The Bakry-Emery or *carré du champ* method
 - ▷ Improvements and stability
- Interpolation inequalities on the sphere
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The Fokker-Planck equation (domain in \mathbb{R}^d)

The linear Fokker-Planck (FP) equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u + \nabla \cdot (u \nabla \psi)$$

on a domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, with no-flux boundary conditions

$$(\nabla u + u \nabla \psi) \cdot \nu = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

is equivalent to the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) equation

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \Delta v - \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla v =: \mathcal{L} v$$

[Bakry, Emery, 1985], [Arnold, Markowich, Toscani, Unterreiter, 2001]

With mass normalized to 1, the unique stationary solution of (FP) is

$$u_s = e^{-\psi} \iff v_s = 1$$

Definition of the φ -entropies

If $d\gamma = e^{-\psi} dx$ is the invariant probability measure, let

$$\mathcal{E}[v] := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \varphi(v) d\gamma$$

φ is a nonnegative convex continuous function on \mathbb{R}^+ such that $\varphi(1) = 0$ and $1/\varphi''$ is concave on $(0, +\infty)$:

$$\varphi'' \geq 0, \quad \varphi \geq \varphi(1) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (1/\varphi'')'' \leq 0$$

Classical examples

$$\varphi_p(v) := \frac{1}{p-1} (v^p - 1 - p(v-1)) \quad p \in (1, 2]$$

$$\varphi_1(v) := v \log v - (v-1), \quad \varphi_2(v) := |v-1|^2$$

The invariant measure

$$d\gamma = e^{-\psi} dx$$

where ψ is a *potential* such that $e^{-\psi}$ is in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^d, dx)$

$d\gamma$ is a probability measure

Entropy – entropy production inequalities, linear flows

Case of a smooth convex bounded domain Ω

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L} v := \Delta v - \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla v, \quad \nabla v \cdot \nu = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{v^q - 1}{q-1} d\gamma = -\frac{4}{q} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma \quad \text{and} \quad w = v^{q/2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma \leq -2\Lambda(q) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma$$

where $\Lambda(q) > 0$ is the best constant in the inequality

$$\frac{2}{q}(q-1) \int_{\Omega} |\nabla X|^2 d\gamma + \int_{\Omega} \text{Hess } \psi : X \otimes X d\gamma \geq \Lambda(q) \int_{\Omega} |X|^2 d\gamma$$

Proposition

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{v^q - 1}{q-1} d\gamma \leq \frac{4}{q\Lambda(q)} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v^{q/2}|^2 d\gamma \quad \text{for any } v \text{ s.t. } \int_{\Omega} v d\gamma = 1$$

The Bakry-Emery method (domain in \mathbb{R}^d)

With $d\gamma = u_s dx$ and v such that $\int_{\Omega} v d\gamma = 1$, $q \in (1, 2]$

• q -entropy

$$\mathcal{E}_q[v] := \frac{1}{q-1} \int_{\Omega} (v^q - 1 - q(v-1)) d\gamma$$

• q -Fisher information with $w = v^{q/2}$

$$\mathcal{I}_q[v] := \frac{4}{q} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma$$

▷ The strategy

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_q[v(t, \cdot)] = -\mathcal{I}_q[v(t, \cdot)] \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dt} (\mathcal{I}_q[v] - 2\lambda \mathcal{E}_q[v]) \leq 0$$

▷ The decay rates

$$\mathcal{I}_q[v(t, \cdot)] \leq \mathcal{I}_q[v(0, \cdot)] e^{-2\lambda t} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{E}_q[v(t, \cdot)] \leq \mathcal{E}_q[v(0, \cdot)] e^{-2\lambda t}$$

▷ The entropy-entropy production inequality

$$\mathcal{I}_q[v] \geq 2\lambda \mathcal{E}_q[v] \quad \forall v \in H^1(\Omega, d\gamma)$$

Properties of the φ -entropies

- Generalized Csiszár-Kullback-Pinsker inequality: [Pinsker], [Csiszár 1967], [Kullback 1967], [Cáceres, Carrillo, JD, 2002]

$$\mathcal{E}[v] \geq \mathcal{C}_q \|v - 1\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d, d\gamma)}^2, \quad \mathcal{C}_q = \inf_{s \in (0, \infty)} \frac{s^{2-q} \varphi''(s)}{2^{2/q}} \min \left\{ 1, \|v\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d, d\gamma)}^{q-2} \right\}$$

- Tensorization and sub-additivity

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{d_2}} \varphi''(v) |\nabla v|^2 d\gamma_1 d\gamma_2 \geq \min\{\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2\} \mathcal{E}_{\gamma_1 \otimes \gamma_2}[v]$$

- Holley-Stroock type perturbation results: if for some constants $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $e^{-b} d\gamma \leq d\mu \leq e^{-a} d\gamma$, then

$$e^{a-b} \Lambda \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} [\varphi(v) - \varphi(\tilde{v}) - \varphi'(\tilde{v})(v - \tilde{v})] d\mu \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \varphi''(v) |\nabla v|^2 d\mu$$

Improved entropy – entropy production inequalities

In the special case $\psi(x) = |x|^2/2 + \frac{d}{2} \log(2\pi)$, with $w = v^{q/2}$, we obtain that

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma \leq -\frac{2}{q} \kappa_q \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|\nabla w|^4}{w^2} d\gamma$$

with $\kappa_q = (q-1)(2-q)/q$

Cauchy-Schwarz: $(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla w|^2 d\gamma)^2 \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|\nabla w|^4}{w^2} d\gamma \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} w^2 d\gamma$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{J}[v] + 2\mathcal{J}[v] \leq -\kappa_q \frac{\mathcal{I}[v]^2}{1 + (q-1)\mathcal{E}[v]}$$

Proposition

Assume that $q \in (1, 2)$ and $d\gamma = (2\pi)^{-d/2} e^{-|x|^2/2} dx$. There exists a strictly convex function Ψ such that $\Psi(0) = 0$ and $\Psi'(0) = 1$ and

$$\Psi\left(\|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, d\gamma)}^2 - 1\right) \leq \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, d\gamma)}^2 \quad \text{if} \quad \|f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d, d\gamma)} = 1$$

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Improved inequalities and stability results

Entropy – entropy production inequality

$$\mathcal{I}[u] \geq \Lambda \mathcal{E}[u]$$

▷ *Improved entropy – entropy production inequality* (weaker form)

$$\mathcal{I} \geq \Lambda \Psi(\mathcal{E})$$

for some Ψ such that $\Psi(0) = 0$, $\Psi'(0) = 1$ and $\Psi'' > 0$

$$\mathcal{I} - \Lambda \mathcal{E} \geq \Lambda (\Psi(\mathcal{E}) - \mathcal{E}) \geq 0$$

▷ *Improved constant* means *stability*

Under some restrictions on the functions, there is some $\Lambda_\star > \Lambda$ such that

$$\mathcal{I} - \Lambda \mathcal{E} \geq (\Lambda_\star - \Lambda) \mathcal{E} \geq 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{I} - \Lambda \mathcal{E} \geq \left(1 - \frac{\Lambda}{\Lambda_\star}\right) \mathcal{I} \geq 0$$

Interpolation inequalities on the sphere

Interpolation inequalities on the sphere

- ▷ From linear to nonlinear diffusion flows
- ▷ Improved entropy-entropy production inequalities
- ▷ Stability results

A result of uniqueness on a classical example

On the sphere \mathbb{S}^d , let us consider the positive solutions of

$$-\Delta u + \lambda u = u^{p-1}$$

$$p \in [1, 2) \cup (2, 2^*] \text{ if } d \geq 3, 2^* = \frac{2d}{d-2}$$

$$p \in [1, 2) \cup (2, +\infty) \text{ if } d = 1, 2$$

Theorem

If $\lambda \leq d$, $u \equiv \lambda^{1/(p-2)}$ is the unique solution

[Gidas, Spruck, 1981], [Bidaut-Véron, Véron, 1991]

Bifurcation point of view and symmetry breaking

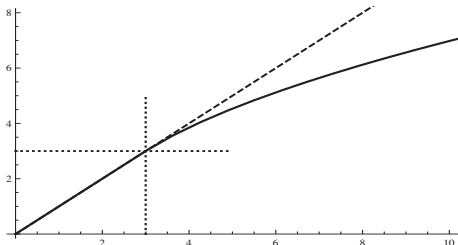


Figure: $(p-2)\lambda \mapsto (p-2)\mu(\lambda)$ with $d=3$

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 + \lambda \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 \geq \mu(\lambda) \|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2$$

Taylor expansion of $u = 1 + \varepsilon \varphi_1$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ with $-\Delta \varphi_1 = d \varphi_1$

$$\mu(\lambda) < \lambda \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \lambda > \frac{d}{p-2}$$

▷ The inequality holds with $\mu(\lambda) = \lambda = \frac{d}{p-2}$ [Bakry, Emery, 1985]
[Beckner, 1993], [Bidaut-Véron, Véron, 1991, Corollary 6.1]

The Bakry-Emery method on the sphere

Entropy functional

$$\mathcal{E}_p[\rho] := \frac{1}{p-2} \left[\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \rho^{\frac{2}{p}} d\mu - \left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \rho d\mu \right)^{\frac{2}{p}} \right] \quad \text{if } p \neq 2$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2[\rho] := \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \rho \log \left(\frac{\rho}{\|\rho\|_{L^1(\mathbb{S}^d)}} \right) d\mu$$

Fisher information functional

$$\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] := \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |\nabla \rho^{\frac{1}{p}}|^2 d\mu$$

[Bakry, Emery, 1985] *carré du champ* method: use the heat flow

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \Delta \rho$$

and observe that $\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_p[\rho] = -\mathcal{I}_p[\rho]$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] - d \mathcal{E}_p[\rho] \right) \leq 0 \quad \implies \quad \mathcal{I}_p[\rho] \geq d \mathcal{E}_p[\rho]$$

with $\rho = |u|^p$, if $p \leq 2^\# := \frac{2d^2+1}{(d-1)^2}$

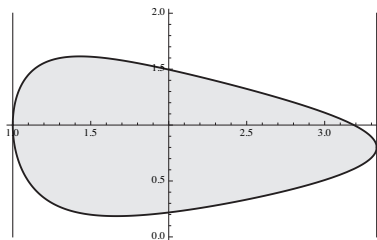
The evolution under the fast diffusion flow

To overcome the limitation $p \leq 2^\#$, one can consider a nonlinear diffusion of fast diffusion / porous medium type

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \Delta \rho^m$$

[Demange], [JD, Esteban, Kowalczyk, Loss]: for any $p \in [1, 2^*]$

$$\mathcal{K}_p[\rho] := \frac{d}{dt} \left(\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] - d \mathcal{E}_p[\rho] \right) \leq 0$$



(p, m) admissible region, $d = 5$

Computation of the admissible region

With $\rho = |u|^{\beta p}$ and $m = 1 + \frac{2}{p} \left(\frac{1}{\beta} - 1 \right)$, $\kappa = \beta(p-2) + 1$, with the *trace free Hessian*

$$Lu := Hu - \frac{1}{d} (\Delta u) g_d$$

and the trace free tensor

$$Mu := \frac{\nabla u \otimes \nabla u}{u} - \frac{1}{d} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} g_d$$

we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] - d \mathcal{E}_p[\rho] \right) = -\frac{d}{d-1} \left(a \|Lu\|^2 - 2b Lu : Mu + c \|Mu\|^2 \right)$$

$$a = 1, \quad b = (\kappa + \beta - 1) \frac{d-1}{d+2}, \quad c = (\kappa + \beta - 1) \frac{d}{d+2} + \kappa(\beta - 1)$$

so that the *admissible region* is defined by $b^2 - ac \leq 0$

The proof: two identities

Let us denote the *Hessian* by Hv and define the *trace free Hessian* by

$$Lv := Hv - \frac{1}{d} (\Delta v) g_d$$

We also consider the following trace free tensor

$$Mv := \frac{\nabla v \otimes \nabla v}{v} - \frac{1}{d} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} g_d$$

• first identity

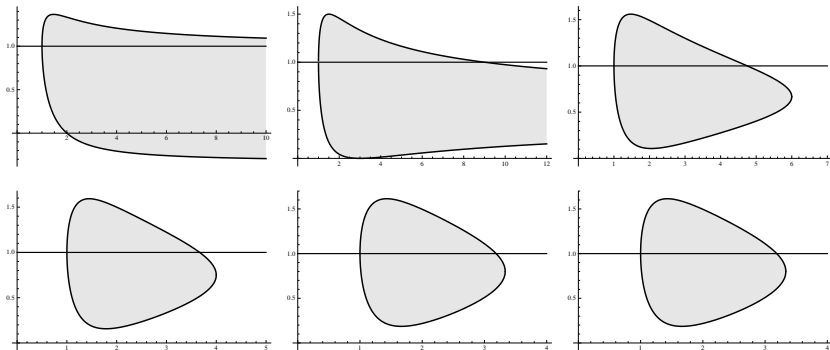
$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \Delta v \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{v} d\mu = \frac{d}{d+2} \left(\frac{d}{d-1} \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \|Mv\|^2 d\mu - 2 \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} Lv : Mv d\mu \right).$$

• second identity

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} (\Delta v)^2 d\mu = \frac{d}{d-1} \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} \|Lv\|^2 d\mu + d \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |\nabla v|^2 d\mu$$

arises as a consequence of the Bochner-Lichnerowicz-Weitzenböck formula on \mathbb{S}^d

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta (|\nabla v|^2) = \|Hv\|^2 + \nabla(\Delta v) \cdot \nabla v + (d-1) |\nabla v|^2$$



The admissible range for $d = 1, 2, 3$ (first line), and $d = 4, 5$ and 10 (from left to right)

Improved inequalities

▷ the monotonicity result

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] - d \mathcal{E}_p[\rho] \right) = -\frac{d}{d-1} a \left\| Lu - \frac{b}{a} M \right\|^2 - \frac{d}{d-1} \left(c - \frac{b^2}{a} \right) \|Mu\|^2$$

▷ improved inequalities [Arnold, JD, 2005], [JD, Nazaret, Savaré, 2008], [JD, Toscani, 2013], [JD, Esteban, Kowalczyk, Loss, 2014], [JD, Esteban, 2020]

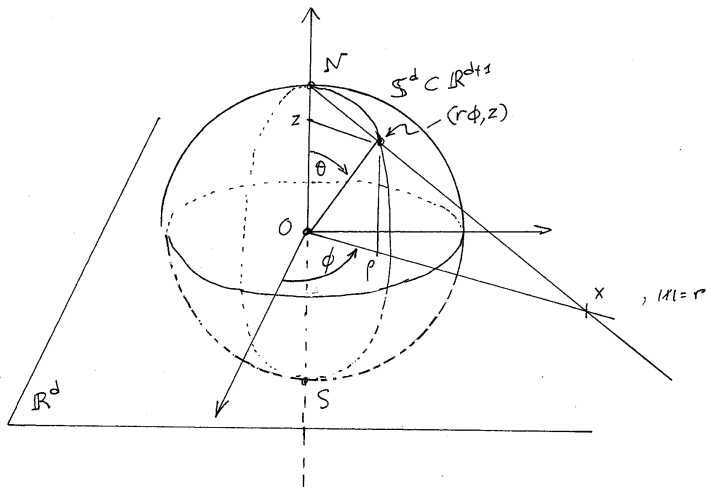
$$\mathcal{I}_p[\rho] \geq d \Psi \left(\mathcal{E}_p[\rho] \right)$$

for some convex Φ with $\Phi(0) = 0$ and $\Phi'(0) = 1$

▷ **Application:** with $d \geq 2$, $2-p \neq \gamma := \left(\frac{d-1}{d+2} \right)^2 (p-1)(2^\# - p) > 0$, we have

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 \geq \frac{d}{2-p-\gamma} \left(\|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 - \|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^{2-\frac{2\gamma}{2-p}} \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^{\frac{2\gamma}{2-p}} \right) \quad \forall u \in H^1(\mathbb{S}^d)$$

Cylindrical coordinates, Schwarz symmetrization, stereographic projection...



... and the ultra-spherical operator

Change of variables $z = \cos\theta$, $v(\theta) = f(z)$, $dv_d := v^{\frac{d}{2}-1} dz / Z_d$
 $v(z) := 1 - z^2$

The self-adjoint *ultraspherical* operator is

$$\mathcal{L}f := (1 - z^2)f'' - dzf' = v f'' + \frac{d}{2} v' f'$$

which satisfies $\langle f_1, \mathcal{L}f_2 \rangle = - \int_{-1}^1 f_1' f_2' v dv_d$

Proposition

Let $p \in [1, 2) \cup (2, 2^*]$, $d \geq 1$. For any $f \in H^1([-1, 1], dv_d)$,

$$-\langle f, \mathcal{L}f \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 |f'|^2 v dv_d \geq d \frac{\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 - \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2}{p-2}$$

The heat equation $\frac{\partial g}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L} g$ for $g = f^p$ can be rewritten in terms of f as

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L} f + (p-1) \frac{|f'|^2}{f} v$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-1}^1 |f'|^2 v dv_d = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \langle f, \mathcal{L} f \rangle = \langle \mathcal{L} f, \mathcal{L} f \rangle + (p-1) \left\langle \frac{|f'|^2}{f} v, \mathcal{L} f \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{F}[g(t, \cdot)] + 2d \mathcal{D}[g(t, \cdot)] &= \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-1}^1 |f'|^2 v dv_d + 2d \int_{-1}^1 |f'|^2 v dv_d \\ &= -2 \int_{-1}^1 \left(|f''|^2 + (p-1) \frac{d}{d+2} \frac{|f'|^4}{f^2} - 2(p-1) \frac{d-1}{d+2} \frac{|f'|^2 f''}{f} \right) v^2 dv_d \end{aligned}$$

is nonpositive if

$$|f''|^2 + (p-1) \frac{d}{d+2} \frac{|f'|^4}{f^2} - 2(p-1) \frac{d-1}{d+2} \frac{|f'|^2 f''}{f}$$

is pointwise nonnegative, which is granted if

$$\left[(p-1) \frac{d-1}{d+2} \right]^2 \leq (p-1) \frac{d}{d+2} \iff p \leq \frac{2d^2+1}{(d-1)^2} = 2^\# < \frac{2d}{d-2} = 2^*$$

With integral constraints

With the heat flow...

Proposition

For any $p \in (2, 2^\#)$, the inequality

$$\int_{-1}^1 |f'|^2 v dv_d + \frac{\lambda}{p-2} \|f\|_2^2 \geq \frac{\lambda}{p-2} \|f\|_p^2$$

$$\forall f \in H^1((-1, 1), dv_d) \text{ s.t. } \int_{-1}^1 z |f|^p dv_d = 0$$

holds with

$$\lambda \geq d + \frac{(d-1)^2}{d(d+2)} (2^\# - p)(\lambda^* - d)$$

... and with a nonlinear diffusion flow ?

With antipodal symmetry

With the additional restriction of *antipodal symmetry*, that is

$$u(-x) = u(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{S}^d$$

Theorem

If $p \in (1, 2) \cup (2, 2^*)$, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |\nabla u|^2 d\mu \geq \frac{d}{p-2} \left[1 + \frac{(d^2-4)(2^*-p)}{d(d+2)+p-1} \right] \left(\|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 - \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 \right)$$

for any $u \in H^1(\mathbb{S}^d, d\mu)$ with antipodal symmetry. The limit case $p=2$ corresponds to the improved logarithmic Sobolev inequality

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |\nabla u|^2 d\mu \geq \frac{d(d+3)^2}{2(d+1)^2} \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |u|^2 \log \left(\frac{|u|^2}{\|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2} \right) d\mu$$

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Subcritical interpolation inequalities on the sphere: stability

[Frank, 2022] *Degenerate stability of some Sobolev inequalities*

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If $d \geq 2$ and $2 < p < 2^*$, there is $c_{d,p} > 0$ such that, if $\int_{\mathbb{S}^d} u \, d\mu = 1$

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 + d \frac{\|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 - \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2}{p-2} \geq c_{d,p} \frac{\left(\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 + \frac{d}{p-2} \|u-1\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 \right)^2}{\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 + \frac{d}{p-2} \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2}$$

An optimal result: take $u(x) = 1 + \varepsilon z$

Theorem

If $d \geq 2$ and $2 < p < 2^*$, there is $\mathcal{C}_{d,p} > 0$ such that for any $u \in H^1(\mathbb{S}^d, d\mu)$

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 + d \frac{\|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2 - \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^d)}^2}{p-2} \geq \mathcal{C}_{d,p} \int_{\mathbb{S}^d} |\nabla u^\perp|^2 \, d\mu$$

with optimal constant $\mathcal{C}_{d,p} = \frac{2d-p(d-2)}{2d(d+p)}$

[Brigati, JD, Simonov]

Constructive stability results in Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities

A joint project with M. Bonforte, B. Nazaret and N. Simonov

***Stability in Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities: Flows, regularity
and the entropy method***

[arXiv:2007.03674](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.03674), to appear in *Memoirs of the AMS*

Fast diffusion equation and entropy methods

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u^m \quad (\text{FDE})$$

- The Rényi entropy powers and the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequalities
- Self-similar solutions and the entropy – entropy production method
- Large time asymptotics, spectral analysis (Hardy-Poincaré inequality)
- Initial time layer: improved entropy – entropy production estimates

Rényi entropy powers and Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities

[Toscani, Savaré, 2014]

[JD, Toscani, 2016]

[JD, Esteban, Loss, 2016]

Mass, moment, entropy and Fisher information

(i) *Mass conservation.* With $m \geq m_c := (d-2)/d$ and $u_0 \in L^1_+(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u(t, x) dx = 0$$

(ii) *Second moment.* With $m > d/(d+2)$ and $u_0 \in L^1_+(\mathbb{R}^d, (1+|x|^2) dx)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |x|^2 u(t, x) dx = 2d \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m(t, x) dx$$

(iii) *Entropy estimate.* With $m \geq m_1 := (d-1)/d$, $u_0^m \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $u_0 \in L^1_+(\mathbb{R}^d, (1+|x|^2) dx)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m(t, x) dx = \frac{m^2}{1-m} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u |\nabla u^{m-1}|^2 dx$$

Entropy functional and *Fisher information functional*

$$E[u] := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m dx \quad \text{and} \quad I[u] := \frac{m^2}{(1-m)^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u |\nabla u^{m-1}|^2 dx$$

Entropy growth rate

Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities

$$\|\nabla f\|_2^\theta \|f\|_{p+1}^{1-\theta} \geq \mathcal{C}_{\text{GNS}}(p) \|f\|_{2p} \quad (\text{GNS})$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2m-1} \iff m = \frac{\rho+1}{2\rho} \in [m_1, 1)$$

$$u = f^{2\rho} \text{ so that } u^m = f^{p+1} \text{ and } u|\nabla u|^{m-1}|^2 = (\rho-1)^2 |\nabla f|^2$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \|f\|_{2\rho}^{2\rho}, \quad \mathbf{E}[u] = \|f\|_{p+1}^{p+1}, \quad \mathbf{I}[u] = (\rho+1)^2 \|\nabla f\|_2^2$$

$$\text{If } u \text{ solves (FDE) } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u^m$$

$$\mathbf{E}' \geq \frac{\rho-1}{2\rho} (\rho+1)^2 \left(\mathcal{C}_{\text{GNS}}(p) \right)^{\frac{2}{\theta}} \|f\|_{2\rho}^{\frac{2}{\theta}} \|f\|_{p+1}^{-\frac{2(1-\theta)}{\theta}} = C_0 \mathbf{E}^{1 - \frac{m-m_c}{1-m}}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m(t, x) dx \geq \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0^m dx + \frac{(1-m)C_0}{m-m_c} t \right)^{\frac{1-m}{m-m_c}} \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

$$\text{Equality case: } u(t, x) = \frac{c_1}{R(t)^d} \mathcal{B}\left(\frac{c_2 x}{R(t)}\right), \quad \mathcal{B}(x) := (1 + |x|^2)^{\frac{1}{m-1}}$$

Pressure variable and decay of the Fisher information

The t -derivative of the Rényi entropy power $E^{\frac{2}{d}} \frac{1}{1-m} - 1$ is proportional to

$$I^\theta E^{2 \frac{1-\theta}{\rho+1}}$$

The nonlinear *carré du champ method* can be used to prove (GNS) :

▷ *Pressure variable*

$$P := \frac{m}{1-m} u^{m-1}$$

▷ *Fisher information*

$$I[u] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u |\nabla P|^2 dx$$

If u solves (FDE), then

$$\begin{aligned} I' &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \Delta(u^m) |\nabla P|^2 dx + 2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u \nabla P \cdot \nabla \left((m-1) P \Delta P + |\nabla P|^2 \right) dx \\ &= -2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m \left(\|D^2 P\|^2 - (1-m) (\Delta P)^2 \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

Rényi entropy powers and interpolation inequalities

▷ Integrations by parts and completion of squares: with $m_1 = \frac{d-1}{d}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{2\theta} \frac{d}{dt} \log \left(I^\theta E^{2\frac{1-\theta}{p+1}} \right) \\
 & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m \left\| D^2 P - \frac{1}{d} \Delta P \text{Id} \right\|^2 dx + (m - m_1) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u^m \left| \Delta P + \frac{1}{E} \right|^2 dx
 \end{aligned}$$

▷ Analysis of the asymptotic regime as $t \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{I[u(t, \cdot)]^\theta E[u(t, \cdot)]^{2\frac{1-\theta}{p+1}}}{\mathcal{M}^{\frac{2\theta}{p}}} = \frac{I[\mathcal{B}]^\theta E[\mathcal{B}]^{2\frac{1-\theta}{p+1}}}{\|\mathcal{B}\|_1^{\frac{2\theta}{p}}} = (p+1)^{2\theta} (\mathcal{C}_{\text{GNS}}(p))^{2\theta}$$

We recover the (GNS) Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities

$$I[u]^\theta E[u]^{2\frac{1-\theta}{p+1}} \geq (p+1)^{2\theta} (\mathcal{C}_{\text{GNS}}(p))^{2\theta} \mathcal{M}^{\frac{2\theta}{p}}$$

The fast diffusion equation in self-similar variables

- ▷ Rescaling and self-similar variables
- ▷ Relative entropy and the entropy – entropy production inequality
- ▷ Large time asymptotics and spectral gaps

Entropy – entropy production inequality

With a time-dependent rescaling based on *self-similar variables*

$$u(t, x) = \frac{1}{\kappa^d R^d} v\left(\tau, \frac{x}{\kappa R}\right) \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{dR}{dt} = R^{1-\mu}, \quad \tau(t) := \frac{1}{2} \log R(t)$$

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u^m$ is changed into *a Fokker-Planck type equation*

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial \tau} + \nabla \cdot \left[v \left(\nabla v^{m-1} - 2x \right) \right] = 0 \quad (r \text{ FDE})$$

Generalized entropy (free energy) and Fisher information

$$\mathcal{F}[v] := -\frac{1}{m} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left(v^m - \mathcal{B}^m - m \mathcal{B}^{m-1} (v - \mathcal{B}) \right) dx$$

$$\mathcal{I}[v] := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} v \left| \nabla v^{m-1} + 2x \right|^2 dx$$

are such that $\mathcal{I}[v] \geq 4 \mathcal{F}[v]$ by (GNS) [del Pino, JD, 2002] so that

$$\mathcal{F}[v(t, \cdot)] \leq \mathcal{F}[v_0] e^{-4t}$$

Spectral gap: sharp asymptotic rates of convergence

[Blanchet, Bonforte, JD, Grillo, Vázquez, 2009]

$$(C_0 + |x|^2)^{-\frac{1}{1-m}} \leq v_0 \leq (C_1 + |x|^2)^{-\frac{1}{1-m}} \quad (\text{H})$$

Let $\Lambda_{\alpha,d} > 0$ be the best constant in the Hardy–Poincaré inequality

$$\Lambda_{\alpha,d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f^2 d\mu_{\alpha-1} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla f|^2 d\mu_{\alpha} \quad \forall f \in H^1(d\mu_{\alpha}), \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f d\mu_{\alpha-1} = 0$$

with $d\mu_{\alpha} := (1 + |x|^2)^{\alpha} dx$, for $\alpha < 0$

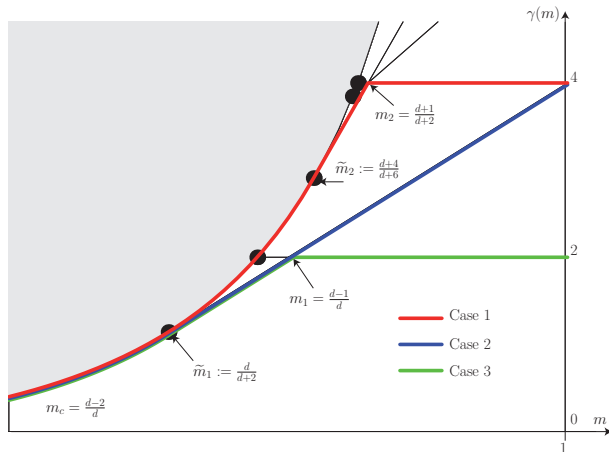
Lemma

Under assumption (H),

$$\mathcal{F}[v(t, \cdot)] \leq C e^{-2\gamma(m)t} \quad \forall t \geq 0, \quad \gamma(m) := (1-m) \Lambda_{1/(m-1),d}$$

Moreover $\gamma(m) := 2$ if $\frac{d-1}{d} = m_1 \leq m < 1$

Spectral gap



[Denzler, McCann, 2005]

[BBDGV, 2009] [BDGV, 2010] [JD, Toscani, 2010-2015]

Much more is know, e.g., [Denzler, Koch, McCann, 2015]

Initial and asymptotic time layers

- ▶ Asymptotic time layer: constraint, spectral gap and improved entropy – entropy production inequality
- ▶ Initial time layer: the carré du champ inequality and a backward estimate

The asymptotic time layer improvement

Linearized free energy and linearized Fisher information

$$F[g] := \frac{m}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g^2 \mathcal{B}^{2-m} dx \quad \text{and} \quad I[g] := m(1-m) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla g|^2 \mathcal{B} dx$$

Hardy-Poincaré inequality. Let $d \geq 1$, $m \in (m_1, 1)$ and $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{B}^{2-m} dx)$ such that $\nabla g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{B} dx)$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g \mathcal{B}^{2-m} dx = 0$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x g \mathcal{B}^{2-m} dx = 0$

$$I[g] \geq 4\alpha F[g] \quad \text{where} \quad \alpha = 2 - d(1-m)$$

Proposition

Let $m \in (m_1, 1)$ if $d \geq 2$, $m \in (1/3, 1)$ if $d = 1$, $\eta = 2(dm - d + 1)$ and $\chi = m/(266 + 56m)$. If $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} v dx = \mathcal{M}$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x v dx = 0$ and

$$(1 - \varepsilon)\mathcal{B} \leq v \leq (1 + \varepsilon)\mathcal{B}$$

for some $\varepsilon \in (0, \chi\eta)$, then

$$\mathcal{F}[v] \geq (4 + \eta) \mathcal{F}[v]$$

The initial time layer improvement: backward estimate

Hint: for some strictly convex function ψ with $\psi(0) = 0$, $\psi'(0) = 1$, we have

$$\mathcal{I} - 4\mathcal{F} \geq 4(\psi(\mathcal{F}) - \mathcal{F}) \geq 0$$

Far from the equality case (*i.e.*, close to an initial datum away from the Barenblatt solutions) for (FDE), we expect some improvement

Rephrasing the *carré du champ* method, $\mathcal{Q}[v] := \frac{\mathcal{I}[v]}{\mathcal{F}[v]}$ is such that

$$\frac{d\mathcal{Q}}{dt} \leq \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{Q} - 4)$$

Lemma

Assume that $m > m_1$ and v is a solution to (r FDE) with nonnegative initial datum v_0 . If for some $\eta > 0$ and $t_\star > 0$, we have $\mathcal{Q}[v(t_\star, \cdot)] \geq 4 + \eta$, then

$$\mathcal{Q}[v(t, \cdot)] \geq 4 + \frac{4\eta e^{-4t_\star}}{4 + \eta - \eta e^{-4t_\star}} \quad \forall t \in [0, t_\star]$$

Stability in Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev inequalities

Our strategy

Choose $\varepsilon > 0$, small enough

Get a threshold time $t_\star(\varepsilon)$

0

Backward estimate

$t_\star(\varepsilon)$

Forward estimate

t

The threshold time and the uniform convergence in relative error

- ▷ The regularity results allow us to glue the initial time layer estimates with the asymptotic time layer estimates

The improved entropy – entropy production inequality holds for any time along the evolution along (r FDE)

(and in particular for the initial datum)

If v solves (r FDE) for some nonnegative initial datum $v_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying

$$\sup_{r>0} r^{\frac{d(m-m_c)}{(1-m)}} \int_{|x|>r} v_0 dx \leq A < \infty \quad (H_A)$$

then

$$(1-\varepsilon)\mathcal{B} \leq v(t, \cdot) \leq (1+\varepsilon)\mathcal{B} \quad \forall t \geq t_\star$$

for some *explicit* t_\star depending only on ε and A

Global Harnack Principle

The *Global Harnack Principle* holds if for some $t > 0$ large enough

$$\mathcal{B}_{M_1}(t - \tau_1, x) \leq u(t, x) \leq \mathcal{B}_{M_2}(t + \tau_2, x) \quad (\text{GHP})$$

[Vázquez, 2003], [Bonforte, Vázquez, 2006]: (GHP) holds if $u_0 \lesssim |x|^{-\frac{2}{1-m}}$

[Vázquez, 2003], [Bonforte, Simonov, 2020]: (GHP) holds if

$$A[u_0] := \sup_{R>0} R^{\frac{2}{1-m}-d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus B_R(0)} |u_0| dx < \infty$$

Theorem

[Bonforte, Simonov, 2020] If $M + A[u_0] < \infty$, then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{u(t) - B(t)}{B(t)} \right\|_{\infty} = 0$$

Uniform convergence in relative error

Theorem

[Bonforte, JD, Nazaret, Simonov, 2021] Assume that $m \in (m_1, 1)$ if $d \geq 2$, $m \in (1/3, 1)$ if $d = 1$ and let $\varepsilon \in (0, 1/2)$, small enough, $A > 0$, and $G > 0$ be given. There exists an explicit **threshold time** $T \geq 0$ such that, if u is a solution of

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta u^m \quad (\text{FDE})$$

with nonnegative initial datum $u_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying

$$A[u_0] = \sup_{r>0} r^{\frac{d(m-m_c)}{(1-m)}} \int_{|x|>r} u_0 \, dx \leq A < \infty \quad (\text{H}_A)$$

$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} u_0 \, dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} B \, dx = \mathcal{M}$ and $\mathcal{F}[u_0] \leq G$, then

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left| \frac{u(t, x)}{B(t, x)} - 1 \right| \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall t \geq T$$

The threshold time

Proposition

Let $m \in (m_1, 1)$ if $d \geq 2$, $m \in (1/3, 1)$ if $d = 1$, $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_{m,d})$, $A > 0$ and $G > 0$

$$T = c_{\star} \frac{1 + A^{1-m} + G^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{\varepsilon^a}$$

where $a = \frac{\alpha}{\vartheta} \frac{2-m}{1-m}$, $\alpha = d(m - m_c)$ and $\vartheta = \nu / (d + \nu)$

$$c_{\star} = c_{\star}(m, d) = \sup_{\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_{m,d})} \max \{ \varepsilon \kappa_1(\varepsilon, m), \varepsilon^a \kappa_2(\varepsilon, m), \varepsilon \kappa_3(\varepsilon, m) \}$$

$$\kappa_1(\varepsilon, m) := \max \left\{ \frac{8c}{(1+\varepsilon)^{1-m} - 1}, \frac{2^{3-m} \kappa_{\star}}{1 - (1-\varepsilon)^{1-m}} \right\}$$

$$\kappa_2(\varepsilon, m) := \frac{(4\alpha)^{\alpha-1} K^{\frac{\alpha}{\vartheta}}}{\varepsilon^{\frac{2-m}{1-m} \frac{\alpha}{\vartheta}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \kappa_3(\varepsilon, m) := \frac{8\alpha^{-1}}{1 - (1-\varepsilon)^{1-m}}$$

Improved entropy – entropy production inequality (subcritical case)

Theorem

Let $m \in (m_1, 1)$ if $d \geq 2$, $m \in (1/2, 1)$ if $d = 1$, $A > 0$ and $G > 0$. Then there is a positive number ζ such that

$$\mathcal{I}[v] \geq (4 + \zeta) \mathcal{F}[v]$$

for any nonnegative function $v \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that $\mathcal{F}[v] = G$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} v \, dx = \mathcal{M}$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x v \, dx = 0$ and v satisfies (H_A)

We have the *asymptotic time layer estimate*

$$\varepsilon \in (0, 2\varepsilon_\star), \quad \varepsilon_\star := \frac{1}{2} \min \{ \varepsilon_{m,d}, \chi \eta \} \quad \text{with} \quad t_\star = t_\star(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{2} \log R(T)$$

$$(1 - \varepsilon) \mathcal{B} \leq v(t, \cdot) \leq (1 + \varepsilon) \mathcal{B} \quad \forall t \geq t_\star$$

and, as a consequence, the *initial time layer estimate*

$$\mathcal{I}[v(t, \cdot)] \geq (4 + \zeta) \mathcal{F}[v(t, \cdot)] \quad \forall t \in [0, t_\star] \quad \text{where} \quad \zeta = \frac{4\eta e^{-4t_\star}}{4 + \eta - \eta e^{-4t_\star}}$$

Two consequences

$$\zeta = Z(A, \mathcal{F}[u_0]), \quad Z(A, G) := \frac{\zeta_\star}{1 + A(1-m)\frac{2}{\alpha} + G}, \quad \zeta_\star := \frac{4\eta c_\alpha}{4 + \eta} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_\star^a}{2\alpha c_\star} \right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}$$

▷ Improved decay rate for the fast diffusion equation in rescaled variables

Corollary

Let $m \in (m_1, 1)$ if $d \geq 2$, $m \in (1/2, 1)$ if $d = 1$, $A > 0$ and $G > 0$. If v is a solution of (rFDE) with nonnegative initial datum $v_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that $\mathcal{F}[v_0] = G$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} v_0 dx = \mathcal{M}$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x v_0 dx = 0$ and v_0 satisfies (H_A) , then

$$\mathcal{F}[v(t, \cdot)] \leq \mathcal{F}[v_0] e^{-(4+\zeta)t} \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

▷ The **stability in the entropy - entropy production estimate**

$\mathcal{I}[v] - 4\mathcal{F}[v] \geq \zeta \mathcal{F}[v]$ also holds in a stronger sense

$$\mathcal{I}[v] - 4\mathcal{F}[v] \geq \frac{\zeta}{4 + \zeta} \mathcal{I}[v]$$

Stability results (subcritical case)

▷ We rephrase the results obtained by entropy methods in the language of stability *à la* Bianchi-Egnell

Subcritical range

$$p^* = +\infty \text{ if } d = 1 \text{ or } 2, \quad p^* = \frac{d}{d-2} \text{ if } d \geq 3$$

$$\lambda[f] := \left(\frac{2d\kappa[f]^{p-1}}{p^2-1} \frac{\|f\|_{p+1}^{p+1}}{\|\nabla f\|_2^2} \right)^{\frac{2p}{d-p(d-4)}}, \quad \kappa[f] := \frac{\mathcal{M}^{\frac{1}{2p}}}{\|f\|_{2p}}$$

$$A[f] := \frac{\mathcal{M}}{\lambda[f]^{\frac{d-p(d-4)}{p-1}} \|f\|_{2p}^{2p}} \sup_{r>0} r^{\frac{d-p(d-4)}{p-1}} \int_{|x|>r} |f(x+x_f)|^{2p} dx$$

$$E[f] := \frac{2p}{1-p} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left(\frac{\kappa[f]^{p+1}}{\lambda[f]^d \frac{p-1}{2p}} f^{p+1} - g^{p+1} - \frac{1+p}{2p} g^{1-p} \left(\frac{\kappa[f]^{2p}}{\lambda[f]^2} f^{2p} - g^{2p} \right) \right) dx$$

$$\mathfrak{G}[f] := \frac{\mathcal{M}^{\frac{p-1}{2p}}}{p^2-1} \frac{1}{C(p,d)} Z(A[f], E[f])$$

Theorem

Let $d \geq 1$, $p \in (1, p^*)$

If $f \in \mathcal{W}_p(\mathbb{R}^d) := \{f \in L^{2p}(\mathbb{R}^d) : \nabla f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d), |x|f^p \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)\}$,

$$\left(\|\nabla f\|_2^\theta \|f\|_{p+1}^{1-\theta} \right)^{2p\gamma} - (\mathcal{C}_{\text{GN}} \|f\|_{2p})^{2p\gamma} \geq \mathfrak{G}[f] \|f\|_{2p}^{2p\gamma} E[f]$$

With $\mathcal{K}_{\text{GNS}} = C(p, d) \mathcal{C}_{\text{GNS}}^{2p\gamma}$, $\gamma = \frac{d+2-p(d-2)}{d-p(d-4)}$, consider the *deficit functional*

$$\delta[f] := (p-1)^2 \|\nabla f\|_2^2 + 4 \frac{d-p(d-2)}{p+1} \|f\|_{p+1}^{p+1} - \mathcal{K}_{\text{GNS}} \|f\|_{2p}^{2p\gamma}$$

Theorem

Let $d \geq 1$ and $p \in (1, p^*)$. There is an explicit $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}[f]$ such that, for any $f \in L^{2p}(\mathbb{R}^d, (1+|x|^2) dx)$ such that $\nabla f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $A[f^{2p}] < \infty$,

$$\delta[f] \geq \mathcal{C}[f] \inf_{\varphi \in \mathfrak{M}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left| (p-1) \nabla f + f^p \nabla \varphi^{1-p} \right|^2 dx$$

- ▷ The dependence of $\mathcal{C}[f]$ on $A[f^{2p}]$ and $\mathcal{F}[f^{2p}]$ is explicit and does not degenerate if $f \in \mathfrak{M}$
- ▷ Can we remove the condition $A[f^{2p}] < \infty$?

Stability in Sobolev's inequality (critical case)

- ▷ A constructive stability result
- ▷ The main ingredient of the proof

A constructive stability result

Let $2p^* = 2d/(d-2) = 2^*$, $d \geq 3$ and

$$\mathcal{W}_{p^*}(\mathbb{R}^d) = \left\{ f \in L^{p^*+1}(\mathbb{R}^d) : \nabla f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d), |x|f^{p^*} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \right\}$$

Theorem

Let $d \geq 3$ and $A > 0$. Then for any nonnegative $f \in \mathcal{W}_{p^*}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (1, x, |x|^2) f^{2^*} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (1, x, |x|^2) g dx \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{r>0} r^d \int_{|x|>r} f^{2^*} dx \leq A$$

we have

$$\delta[f] := \|\nabla f\|_2^2 - S_d^2 \|f\|_{2^*}^2 \geq \frac{\mathfrak{C}_*(A)}{4 + \mathfrak{C}_*(A)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left| \nabla f + \frac{d-2}{2} f^{\frac{d}{d-2}} \nabla g^{-\frac{2}{d-2}} \right|^2 dx$$

$\mathfrak{C}_*(A) = \mathfrak{C}_*(1 + A^{1/(2d)})^{-1}$ and $\mathfrak{C}_* > 0$ depends only on d

Peculiarities of the critical case

▷ We can remove the normalization of f , use the r.h.s. to measure the distance to the Aubin-Talenti manifold of optimal functions (in relative Fisher information) and obtain for

$$A[f] := \sup_{r>0} r^d \int_{r>0} |f|^{2^*} (x + x_f) \quad \text{and} \quad Z[f] := \left(1 + \mu[f]^{-d} \lambda[f]^d A[f]\right)$$

the *Bianchi-Egnell type result*

$$\delta[f] \geq \frac{\mathfrak{C}_\star Z[f]}{4 + Z[f]} \inf_{g \in \mathfrak{M}} \mathcal{J}[f|g]$$

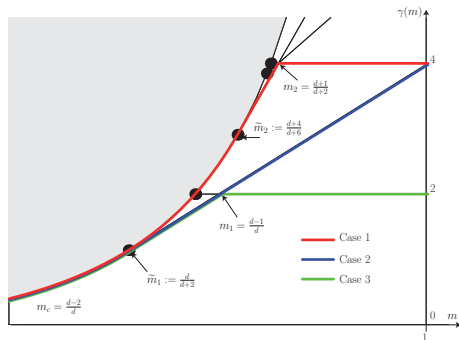
with x_f , $\lambda[f]$ and $\mu[f]$ as in the subcritical case

▷ Notion of time delay [JD, Toscani, 2014, 2015]

Extending the subcritical result in the critical case

To improve the spectral gap for $m = m_1$, we need to adjust the Barenblatt function $\mathcal{B}_\lambda(x) = \lambda^{-d/2} \mathcal{B}(x/\sqrt{\lambda})$ in order to match $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |x|^2 v dx$ where the function v solves (rFDE) or to further rescale v according to

$$v(t, x) = \frac{1}{\mathfrak{R}(t)^d} w\left(t + \tau(t), \frac{x}{\mathfrak{R}(t)}\right),$$



$$\frac{d\tau}{dt} = \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{L}_\star} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |x|^2 v dx \right)^{-\frac{d}{2}(m-m_c)} - 1, \quad \tau(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{R}(t) = e^{2\tau(t)}$$

Lemma

$t \mapsto \lambda(t)$ and $t \mapsto \tau(t)$ are bounded on \mathbb{R}^+

Stability in Caffarelli-Kohn-Nirenberg inequalities ?

Caffarelli-Kohn-Nirenberg inequalities

Let $\mathcal{D}_{a,b} := \left\{ v \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, |x|^{-b} dx) : |x|^{-a} |\nabla v| \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, dx) \right\}$

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|v|^p}{|x|^{bp}} dx \right)^{2/p} \leq C_{a,b} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|\nabla v|^2}{|x|^{2a}} dx \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{D}_{a,b}$$

hold under the conditions that $a \leq b \leq a+1$ if $d \geq 3$, $a < b \leq a+1$ if $d = 2$,
 $a+1/2 < b \leq a+1$ if $d = 1$, and $a < a_c := \frac{d-2}{2}$

$$p = \frac{2}{d-2+2(b-a)}$$

▷ *An optimal function among radial functions:*

$$v_\star(x) = \left(1 + |x|^{(p-2)(a_c-a)} \right)^{-\frac{2}{p-2}} \quad \text{and} \quad C_{a,b}^\star = \frac{\| |x|^{-b} v_\star \|_p^2}{\| |x|^{-a} \nabla v_\star \|_2^2}$$

Theorem

Let $d \geq 2$ and $p < 2^*$. $C_{a,b} = C_{a,b}^\star$ (symmetry) if and only if
 either $a \in [0, a_c)$ and $b > 0$, or $a < 0$ and $b \geq b_{\text{FS}}(a)$

[JD, Esteban, Loss, 2016]

More Caffarelli-Kohn-Nirenberg inequalities

On \mathbb{R}^d with $d \geq 1$, let us consider the *Caffarelli-Kohn-Nirenberg interpolation inequalities*

$$\|f\|_{2p,\gamma} \leq \mathcal{C}_{\beta,\gamma,p} \|\nabla f\|_{2,\beta}^\theta \|f\|_{p+1,\gamma}^{1-\theta}$$

$$\gamma - 2 < \beta < \frac{d-2}{d} \gamma, \quad \gamma \in (-\infty, d), \quad p \in (1, p_\star] \quad \text{with} \quad p_\star := \frac{d-\gamma}{d-\beta-2},$$

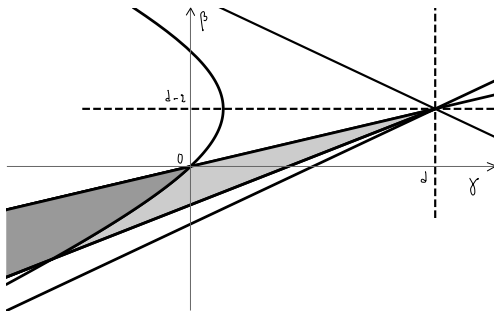
with $\theta = \frac{(d-\gamma)(p-1)}{p(d+\beta+2-2\gamma-p(d-\beta-2))}$ and $\|f\|_{q,\gamma} := (\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f|^q |x|^{-\gamma} dx)^{1/q}$

Symmetry means that equality is achieved by the *Aubin-Talenti type functions*

$$g(x) = (1 + |x|^{2+\beta-\gamma})^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$$

[JD, Esteban, Loss, Muratori, 2017] Symmetry holds if and only if

$$\gamma < d, \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma - 2 < \beta < \frac{d-2}{d} \gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \leq \beta_{\text{FS}}(\gamma)$$



$d = 4$ and $p = 6/5$: (γ, β) admissible region

An improved decay rate along the flow

In self-similar variables, with $m = (\rho + 1)/(2\rho)$

$$|x|^{-\gamma} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left(|x|^{-\beta} v \nabla v^{m-1} \right) = \sigma \nabla \cdot (x |x|^{-\gamma} v)$$

$$\mathcal{F}[v] = \frac{2\rho}{1-\rho} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left(v^{\frac{\rho+1}{2\rho}} - g^{\rho+1} - \frac{\rho+1}{2\rho} g^{1-\rho} (v - g^{2\rho}) \right) |x|^{-\gamma} dx$$

Theorem

In the symmetry region, if $v \geq 0$ is a solution with a initial datum v_0 s.t.

$$A[v_0] := \sup_{R>0} R^{\frac{2+\beta-\gamma}{1-m} - (d-\gamma)} \int_{|x|>R} v_0(x) |x|^{-\gamma} dx < \infty$$

then there are some $\zeta > 0$ and some $T > 0$ such that

$$\mathcal{F}[v(t, \cdot)] \leq \mathcal{F}[v_0] e^{-(4\alpha^2 + \zeta)t} \quad \forall t \geq 2T$$

[Bonforte, JD, Nazaret, Simonov, 2022]

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