Short- and long-time behavior in (hypo)coercive ODE-systems and kinetic equations

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# Part I

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### Part II

# BGK-type kinetic equations

nonlinear BGK-type model with constant collision frequency  $\sigma^1$ 

$$\partial_t f + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f = \sigma(M_f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}, t) - f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}, t)), \quad t \ge 0, \ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{T}^d, \ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

- ▷ relaxation towards local Maxwellian  $M_f(x, v) = \frac{\rho(x)}{(2\pi T(x))^{d/2}} e^{-\frac{|v-u(x)|^2}{2T(x)}}$ with density  $\rho(x) := \int f \, dv$ , mean velocity  $u(x) := \frac{1}{\rho(x)} \int v f \, dv$ , temperature  $T(x) := \frac{1}{d\rho(x)} \int |v-u(x)|^2 f \, dv$ .
- ▷ Consider normalized initial data f'(x, v) with unit mass  $\iint f' dx dv = 1$ , zero mean momentum  $\iint v f' dx dv = 0$  and unit mean pressure  $\iint |v|^2 f' dx dv = d$ .
- ▷ normalization is conserved under the flow of (BGK)
- ▷  $f^{\infty}(v) := M_1(v) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} e^{-\frac{|v|^2}{2}}$  is the unique, normalized, space-homogeneous steady state of (BGK) via standard argument using Boltzmann entropy, but no information about rate of convergence.

**Our result:** For normalized initial data  $f^{I}$  "sufficiently close" to  $f^{\infty}$ , the solutions of (BGK) converge to  $f^{\infty}$  exp. fast: Construction of a strict Lyapunov functional and derivation of explicit exponential decay rate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>BGK: Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook (1954), Welander (1954), Kogan (1958)

1D nonlinear BGK-type model - local exponential stability  $\partial_t f + v \partial_x f = M_f(x, v, t) - f, \quad x \in \mathbb{T}, v \in \mathbb{R},$ 

with local Maxwellian  $M_f = \frac{\rho(x)}{\sqrt{2\pi T(x)}} e^{-v^2/2T(x)}$  here mean velocity=0.

Theorem 1 (FA-ARNOLD-CARLEN 2016) Let  $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1, v^2) f' dv dx = (1, 1)$  and  $M_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-v^2/2}$ . If  $\gamma > \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\|f' - M_1\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}} < \delta_{\gamma}$  (=explicit constant) then  $\mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f(t), M_1) \le e^{-t/25} \mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f', M_1)$ ,  $t \ge 0$ .

Strict Lyapunov functional (with  $h = f - M_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}^{\gamma} := H^{\gamma}(0, 2\pi) \otimes L^2(\mathbb{R}; M_1^{-1})$ ):

$$\mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f, M_1) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (1+k^2)^{\gamma} \langle h_k(v), \widetilde{\mathsf{P}}_k h_k(v) 
angle_{L^2(M_1^{-1})} \sim \|f-M_1\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}}^2$$

 $\widetilde{\mathbf{P}}_k$  is a bounded operator on  $L^2(M_1^{-1})$ , represented by "infinite" matrix  $\mathbf{P}_k$ 

Idea of proof:

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▷ Analyze the linearized model  $\partial_t h + v \partial_x h = Q_2 h$  with

$$Q_2h:=\left(\frac{3-v^2}{2}\right)M_1(v)\int h\,\mathrm{d}v+\left(\frac{v^2-1}{2}\right)M_1(v)\int v^2h\,\mathrm{d}v-h\,.$$

Theorem 2 (FA-ARNOLD-CARLEN 2016)

Let 
$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} {\binom{1}{v^2}} f' \, \mathrm{d} v \, \mathrm{d} x = {\binom{1}{1}}$$
. Then, for  $\gamma \ge 0$ ,  
 $\mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f(t), M_1) \le \mathrm{e}^{-t/25} \mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f', M_1), \qquad t \ge 0$ .

 $\triangleright \text{ remainder: } \|R_f\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}} \leq c \|f - M_1\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}}^2 \text{ if } \gamma > \frac{1}{2}, \|f' - M_1\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}} < \delta_{\gamma}$ 

$$\implies \quad \frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f) \leq -\underbrace{0.0412}_{>1/25}\underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{\gamma}(f)}_{=\mathcal{O}(h^2)} + c\|h\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\gamma}}^3$$

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Proof of Theorem 2:

 $\triangleright$  expansion of h: Fourier in x / Hermite functions in v:

$$\partial_t \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k(t) + \mathrm{i}k \, \mathbf{L}_1 \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k(t) = -\mathbf{L}_3 \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k(t), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

for some Hermitian matrices  $\textbf{L}_1,\,\textbf{L}_3$  with  $\textbf{L}_3\geq 0$ 

1D linearized BGK model - simplified Lyapunov functional  $\triangleright$  For  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\partial_t \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k(t) = -\mathbf{C}_k \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k(t)$  where  $\mathbf{C}_k := ik \mathbf{L}_1 + \mathbf{L}_3$ 

$$\mathbf{L}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{1} & 0 & \cdots \\ \sqrt{1} & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & \sqrt{3} \\ \vdots & 0 & \sqrt{3} & \ddots \end{bmatrix},$$

 $L_3 = diag(0, 1, 0, 1, 1, ...) \\ 2 \text{ conserved quantities:} \\ mass \& \text{ energy}$ 

simplified ansatz

$$\mathbf{P}_{k} = \mathbf{I} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i\alpha/k & 0 & 0 \\ i\alpha/k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i\beta/2k & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & 0 & i\beta/2k & 0 \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

▷ For  $\mathbf{C}_k := \mathrm{i}k\mathbf{L}_1 + \mathbf{L}_3$  and  $\mathbf{P}_k$  with  $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\exists \mu_0 > 0$  such that  $\mathbf{P}_k\mathbf{C}_k + \mathbf{C}_k^{\mathsf{H}}\mathbf{P}_k \ge 2\mu_0\mathbf{P}_k$  uniform-in-k

# some references in kinetic theory/hypocoercivity

#### general theory on hypocoercivity:

MOUHOT-NEUMANN (2006) weighted Sobolev spaces

general class of linear inhomogeneous kinetic equations on the torus

Hérau (200x) Fokker–Planck equation with confining potential, linear inhomogeneous relaxation Boltzmann equation (= BGK-type equation) VILLANI (2009) abstract operators:  $L := A^*A + B$  where  $B = -B^*$ 

Quote: "Construct a [strict] Lyapunov functional by adding carefully chosen lower-order terms to the 'natural' [non-strict] Lyapunov functional."

#### linear kinetic equations: $\partial_t f + \mathbf{T} f = \widetilde{\mathbf{L}} f$ :

DOLBEAULT-MOUHOT-SCHMEISER (2009, 2015) weighted  $L^2$  spaces linear kinetic equations with only one conservation law

 $D_{UAN}$  (2011) macro-micro decomposition combined with Kawashima's argument on dissipation of the hyperbolic-parabolic system +Korn ineq.

CARRAPATOSO-DOLBEAULT-HÉRAU-MISCHLER-MOUHOT-SCHMEISER (2021) Special modes and hypocoercivity for linear kinetic equations with several conservation laws and a confining potential

### Part III

# ODEs: Hypocoercive matrices

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 $\begin{array}{l} \triangleright \ \, \mathbf{C} \ \, \text{is coercive with } \kappa > 0 \iff \mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{H}} + \mathbf{C} \geq 2\kappa \mathbf{I} \\ \\ \text{Energy method:} \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \|u(t)\|^2 = -\langle u(t), (\mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{H}} + \mathbf{C})u(t)\rangle \leq -2\kappa \|u(t)\|^2 \\ \\ \implies \quad \|u(t)\|^2 \leq \|u(0)\|^2 \ \mathrm{e}^{-2\kappa t} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0 \ . \end{array}$ 

 $\triangleright$  hypocoercive operator: coercive  $\iff c = 1$ 

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▷  $u_{\infty}$  is asymptotically stable :  $\iff ||u(t) - u_{\infty}|| \to 0$  as  $t \to \infty$   $\iff$  All eigenvalues  $\lambda_j$  of C satisfy  $\Re \lambda_j > 0$ .  $\iff \exists \mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{H}_n^>$ :  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{H}}\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{PC} > 0$  with  $\mathbb{H}_n^> := \{\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} | \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{\mathsf{H}}, \mathbf{P} > 0\}$  $\Rightarrow ||u(t)||_{\mathbf{P}}^2 := \langle u(t), \mathbf{P}u(t) \rangle$  is a strict Lyapunov functional

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▷ If  $\mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{H}}\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{P}\mathbf{C} \geq 2\kappa\mathbf{P}$  for some  $\kappa > 0$  and  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{H}_{p}^{>}$  then

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \|u(t)\|_{\mathsf{P}}^2 &= -\langle u(t), (\mathsf{C}^{\mathsf{H}}\mathsf{P} + \mathsf{P}\mathsf{C})u(t)\rangle \leq -2\kappa \|u(t)\|_{\mathsf{P}}^2\\ \implies \|u(t)\|_{\mathsf{P}}^2 \leq \|u(0)\|_{\mathsf{P}}^2 \,\mathrm{e}^{-2\kappa t} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0\\ \implies \|u(t)\|^2 \leq \mathrm{cond}(\mathsf{P}) \,\|u(0)\|^2 \,\mathrm{e}^{-2\kappa t} \,. \end{split}$$



#### characterization

coercive C:  $\|\cdot\|_2^2$  is a strict Lyapunov functional hypocoercive C:  $\exists \mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{H}_n^>$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{P}}^2$  is a strict Lyapunov functional



### ODEs $\frac{d}{dt}u = -\mathbf{C}u$ with $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$

solutions u(t) of ODE satisfy  $\|u(t)\|^2 \le \|u(0)\|^2$  for  $t \ge 0$ 

**Lemma** Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  satisfy  $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$ . Then,  $\mathbf{C}$  has a purely imaginary eigenvalue if and only if  $\mathbf{C}_H w = 0$  for some eigenvector w of  $\mathbf{C}_S$ .

**Lemma** Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  satisfy  $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- ▷ C is hypocoercive
- ▷ SHIZUTA-KAWASHIMA: No eigenvector of  $C_S$  lies in the kernel of  $C_H$ .
- ▷ KALMAN: rank $[C_H, C_S C_H, \dots, C_S^{n-1} C_H] = n$
- $\triangleright \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\mathbf{C}_S)^j \mathbf{C}_H (\mathbf{C}_S^{\mathsf{H}})^j > 0$
- ▷ POPOV-BELEVITCH-HAUTUS:  $rank[\lambda I C_S, C_H] = n$  for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , in particular for every eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $C_S$ .

Construction of strict Lyapunov functional/solution  ${\bf P}$  of  ${\bf C}^{\sf H} {\bf P} + {\bf P} {\bf C} > 0.$ 

### Hypocoercivity index for $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ with $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$

Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be a positive conservative-dissipative matrix.

#### Definition 4

The hypocoercivity index of  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}_S + \mathbf{C}_H$  with  $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$  is defined as the smallest integer  $m_{HC} \in \mathbb{N}_0$  (if it exists) such that  $\sum_{j=0}^{\mathbf{m}_{HC}} \mathbf{C}_S^j \mathbf{C}_H (\mathbf{C}_S^H)^j > 0$ . If  $\mathbf{C}$  is not hypocoercive we set  $m_{HC} = \infty$ .

- $\triangleright$  **C** is coercive  $\iff$  **C**<sub>H</sub>  $> 0 \iff$   $m_{HC} = 0$
- $\triangleright$  **C** is hypocoercive  $\iff m_{HC} < \infty$
- ▷ If **C** is hypocoercive then  $\frac{n-\operatorname{rank} \mathbf{C}_H}{\operatorname{rank} \mathbf{C}_H} \le m_{HC} \le n \operatorname{rank} \mathbf{C}_H$

 $\triangleright$  *m<sub>HC</sub>* describes the structural complexity of **C** 

Examples:

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{S}} = \mathbf{i} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{1} & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{1} & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & \sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• 
$$C_H = diag(0, 1, 0, 1)$$
  
 $\implies$  HC-index  $m_{HC} = 1$ 

$$\mathbf{C}_H = \operatorname{diag}(0, 0, 1, 1) \\ \Longrightarrow \text{ HC-index } m_{HC} = 2$$

### Hypocoercivity index for $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ with $\mathbf{C}_H \geq 0$

Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  be a hypocoercive, positive conservative-dissipative matrix.

#### Lemma 1 (Equivalent conditions)

- $\triangleright$  no (non-trivial) subspace of ker  $C_H$  is invariant under  $C_S$ .
- $\triangleright \ \exists \tau \in \mathbb{N}_0: \ \sum_{j=0}^{\tau} \mathbf{C}_S^j \mathbf{C}_H (\mathbf{C}_S^{\mathsf{H}})^j > 0.$
- $\triangleright \exists \tau \in \mathbb{N}_0: \operatorname{rank}\{\sqrt{\mathbf{C}_H}, \mathbf{C}_S \sqrt{\mathbf{C}_H}, \dots, \mathbf{C}_S^{\tau} \sqrt{\mathbf{C}_H}\} = n$
- $\triangleright \ \exists \tau \in \mathbb{N}_0: \ \bigcap_{j=0}^{\tau} \ker(\sqrt{\mathbf{C}_H}(\mathbf{C}_S^{\mathsf{H}})^j) = \{0\}$
- $\triangleright \exists \tau \in \mathbb{N}_0: \sum_{j=0}^{\tau} \mathbf{C}_j^{\mathsf{H}} \mathbf{C}_j > 0 \text{ with } \mathbf{C}_0 := \sqrt{\mathbf{C}_{\mathsf{H}}}; \mathbf{C}_{j+1} := [\mathbf{C}_j, \mathbf{C}_{\mathcal{S}}], \\ j \in \mathbb{N}_0.$

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$$\mathbf{C}_H = \text{diag}(\mathbf{0}, 1, \mathbf{0}, 1) \\ \implies \text{HC-index } m_{HC} = 1$$

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Short-time behavior for  $\frac{d}{dt}u = -\mathbf{C}u$  with  $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$ 

# Lemma 2 (A-ARNOLD-CARLEN (2020)) Let $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ satisfy $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$ . Its HC-index is $m_{HC} \in \mathbb{N}_0$ if and only if $\|e^{-\mathbf{C}t}\|_2 = 1 - c \ t^{2m_{HC}+1} + \mathcal{O}(t^{2m_{HC}+2}), \quad t \to 0^+,$ for some c > 0.

Example (continued)

 $||e^{\mathbf{A}t}||_{2}^{2}$ 

0.4

0.2

ODE  $\frac{d}{dt}u(t) = -\mathbf{C}u$  with  $\mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ The squared propagator norm  $\|e^{-\mathbf{C}t}\|_2^2$  satisfies  $\|e^{-\mathbf{C}t}\|_2^2 \sim 1 - t^3/6 + \mathcal{O}(t^4)$  for  $t \to 0+$ . Moreover, it is the envelope of  $\|u(t)\|_2^2$  for all solutions with  $\|u(0)\|_2^2 = 1$ . Propagator norm of (normalized) Fokker-Planck equations

$$\partial_t f = \operatorname{div}_{\xi} \left( \mathbf{D} \nabla_{\xi} f + \mathbf{C} \xi f \right) =: \mathbf{L} f , \qquad \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{C}_H \ge 0 .$$
 (nFP)

#### **Condition A** (for hypocoercivity)

 No (nontrivial) subspace of ker D is invariant under C<sup>T</sup> (HÖRMANDER: L is hypoelliptic, i.e. (nFP) has smooth solutions.)

▷ Let 
$$\mathbf{C}_H := (\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C}^\top)/2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$$
 and  $\mathbf{C}_H \ge 0$ .

Condition A  $\implies$  C is positively stable (i.e.  $\Re \lambda_{C} > 0$ )  $\implies \exists f_{\infty}: Lf_{\infty} = 0$ .

Theorem 5 (ARNOLD-SCHMEISER-SIGNORELLO (2021))

Let L satisfy Condition A (i.e. L is hypocoercive). Then

$$\|\mathrm{e}^{-\mathsf{L}t} - \mathsf{\Pi}_0\|_{\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} = \|\mathrm{e}^{-\mathsf{C}t}\|_2 , \qquad t \ge 0 ,$$

where  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(f_{\infty}^{-1} d\xi)$  and  $\Pi_0$  is projection onto span $\{f_{\infty}\}$ .

### Conclusion

- Optimal decay estimates of (drift) ODEs carry over to Fokker-Planck equations
- HC-index characterizes the short-time behavior of ODEs and (normalized) Fokker-Planck equations. It also characterizes the regularization rate in Fokker-Planck equations:

$$\left\|\nabla_{\xi} \frac{f(t)}{f_{\infty}}\right\|_{L^{2}(f_{\infty} d\xi)} \leq ct^{-(2m_{HC}+1)} \left\|\frac{f_{0}}{f_{\infty}}\right\|_{L^{2}(f_{\infty} d\xi)}, \qquad 0 < t \leq \delta ,$$

see VILLANI using Hörmander rank, ARNOLD-ERB using HC-index.

▷ analysis of kinetic **BGK-type models**: exponential decay for discrete / continuous velocities, linearized / nonlinear (similar to KAWASHIMA). modal decomposition yields ODE with "infinite" matrices: extension of HC-index  $m_{HC}$  to "infinite" matrices and algorithm to construct strict Lyapunov functional in  $m_{HC}$  number of steps.



- ▷ Extension to  $\frac{d}{dt}u = -\mathbf{C}u$  with  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$
- ▷ Extension to differential-algebraic equations (DAEs)  $\mathbf{E} \frac{d}{dt} u = -\mathbf{C} u$  with  $\mathbf{E} \in \mathbb{H}_n^{\geq}$  and  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  such that  $\mathbf{C}_H \geq 0$

Thank you for your attention!

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