

Explicit decay rates for discrete velocity BGK models

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Part 1: Sharp decay rates for “hypocoercive ODEs”

- Lyapunov functionals for linear ODEs

Part 2: Multi-velocity BGK equations

- Spatially homogeneous relaxation
- Extension to non-homogeneous relaxation
- Extension multi-velocities.

Part 1: Lyapunov functionals for linear ODEs

Decay for nonsymmetric ODEs: Lyapunov functionals

linear ODEs with constant coefficients

$$\dot{x}(t) = -Cx(t), \quad C \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}, t \geq 0. \quad (\text{ODE})$$

Objective: Construct functional $E[\cdot]$ such that

$$\frac{d}{dt}E[x(t)] \leq -2\mu E[x(t)] \implies E[x(t)] \leq e^{-2\mu t} E[x(0)]$$

with **best possible decay rate** $\mu > 0$, i.e. sharp long time behavior.

We look at modified norms:

$$E[x(t)] = |x(t)|_?^2$$

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Example 1: $\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\lambda_{\mathbf{C}} = 1 \pm i \Rightarrow$ decay rate = 1.

- Choose functional $E[x] = |x|_2^2$:

$$\frac{d}{dt} |x(t)|_2^2 = -x^H (\mathbf{C}^H + \mathbf{C}) x = -2x^H \mathbf{C}_{\text{sym}} x = -2|x|_2^2$$

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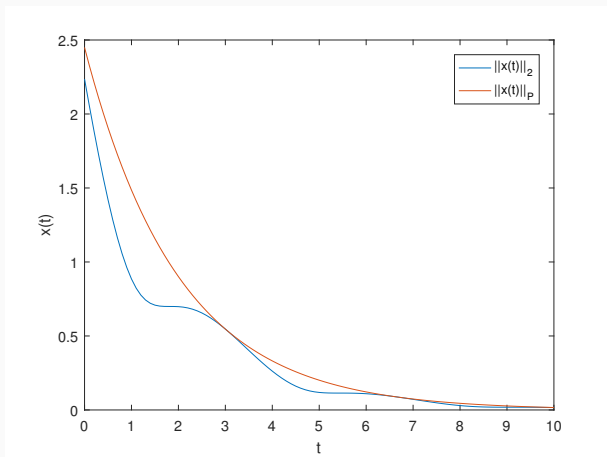
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$$\frac{d}{dt} |x(t)|_2^2 = -x^H (\mathbf{C}^H + \mathbf{C}) x = -2x^H \mathbf{C}_{\text{sym}} x \leq 0$$

\mathbf{C} is “hypocoercive” \implies no decay of $|\cdot|_2^2$.

ad Example 2:

But decay of **modified norm** $\|x(t)\|_P^2 := x^H P x$; $P := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{i}{2} \\ \frac{i}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$



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2. If (at least) one λ_{μ} is *defective* \Rightarrow

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}(\varepsilon) > 0 : \quad \mathbf{P}\mathbf{C} + \mathbf{C}^H\mathbf{P} \geq 2(\mu_{\mathbf{C}} - \varepsilon)\mathbf{P}.$$

In [AE '14]: Used to prove decay rates for hypocoercive Fokker–Planck equations with linear drift.

Choice of \mathbf{P} / Lyapunov's direct method

Proof: \mathbf{P} can be constructed explicitly.

E.g. for \mathbf{C} non-defective / diagonalizable:

$$\mathbf{P} := \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j \mathbf{v}_j \otimes \mathbf{v}_j ;$$

- \mathbf{v}_j are eigenvectors of \mathbf{C}^H
- $\beta_j > 0$ are arbitrary weights

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\mathbf{P} not unique; but the decay rates $\mu_{\mathbf{C}}$ (or $\mu_{\mathbf{C}} - \varepsilon$) are independent of \mathbf{P} .

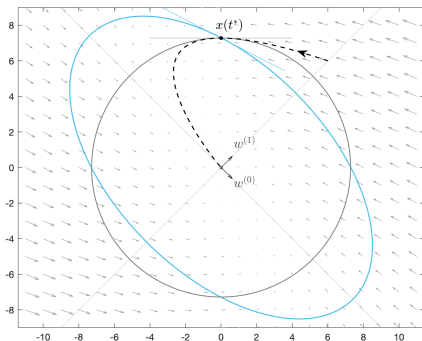
Decay of P-norm, non-defective case

Sharp decay estimate for $\dot{x} = -Cx$ (non-defective case):

Let $|x|_P^2 := x^H P x$, with P from Lemma 1

$$\frac{d}{dt} |x|_P^2 = -x^H \underbrace{(PC + C^H P)}_{\geq 2\mu_C P} x \leq -2\mu_C |x|_P^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |x(t)|_P \leq |x(0)|_P e^{-\mu_C t}, \quad t \geq 0.$$



→ uniform decay with sharp rate $\frac{1}{2}$

\mathbf{P} as coordinate transformation:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{C}} := \sqrt{\mathbf{P}}\mathbf{C}\sqrt{\mathbf{P}}^{-1}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{C}}_{\text{sym}} \geq \mu\mathbf{I}.$$

Example 3:

$$\dot{x} = -Cx \text{ with defective } C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 2 \end{pmatrix} = V \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} V^{-1}$$

- $\lambda_{1,2} = 1$, algebraic multiplicity $>$ geometric multiplicity
- Lemma 1 $\implies |x(t)|_{P_\varepsilon}^2 \leq c_\varepsilon e^{-2(1-\varepsilon)t}$
- True behavior: $|x(t)|_2^2 \leq c(1 + t^2)e^{-2t}$
- $\rightarrow P_\varepsilon$ -norm rate not sharp!

Lemma 2 (Arnold, Jin, W. '19)

Let $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be positive stable, i.e.

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If (at least) one λ_{μ} is *defective* there exists a *time-dependent* Hermitian positive-definite matrix $\mathbf{P}(t) \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ such that solutions to $\dot{x} = -\mathbf{C}x$ satisfies

$$|x(t)|_{\mathbf{P}(t)}^2 \leq e^{-2\mu_{\mathbf{C}}t} |x(0)|_{\mathbf{P}(0)}^2.$$

For Fokker–Planck setting in \mathbb{R}^d : [Monmarché, '15]

Multi-velocity BGK equations

linear BGK models¹

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t f(v, x, t) + v \partial_x f(v, x, t) &= \mathbf{Q}_{\text{relax}} f(v, x, t) \\ &:= \sigma \left[M_T(v) \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x, v, t) dv - f(x, v, t) \right]\end{aligned}$$

Idea: Replace nonlinear Boltzmann collision by linear relaxation term.

- $f(v, x, t)$ particle density at velocity $v \in \mathbb{R}$, position $x \in \Omega$, time $t \geq 0$.
- $M_T(v)$ is the normalized Maxwellian at temperature T .
- Prescribed relaxation rate $\sigma > 0$.
- Conservation of mass and momentum.

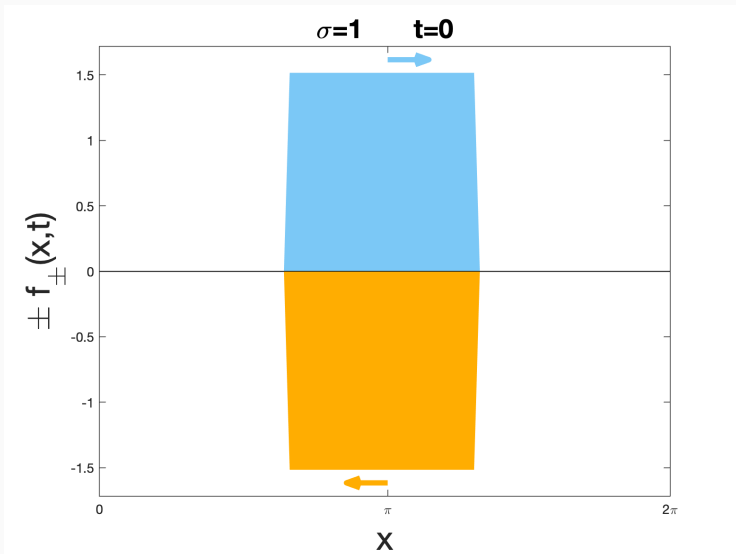
Further simplification: From $v \in \mathbb{R}$ to $v \in \{-1, +1\}$:

Goldstein–Taylor Model for $x \in \mathbb{T}^1$:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t f_+(x, t) + \partial_x f_+(x, t) &= \frac{\sigma(x)}{2} (f_-(x, t) - f_+(x, t)), \\ \partial_t f_-(x, t) - \partial_x f_-(x, t) &= -\frac{\sigma(x)}{2} (f_-(x, t) - f_+(x, t)), \\ f_{\pm}(x, 0) &= f_{\pm,0} \in L^2(\mathbb{T})\end{aligned}\tag{GT}$$

- $f_{\pm}(\cdot, t)$ probability density of particles with $v = \pm 1$.
- Relaxation coefficient $\sigma(x) > 0$.

Equation exhibits **hypocoercive dynamics**.



Global (normalized) equilibrium: $(f_+^\infty, f_-^\infty)^T = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^T$

We observed: Interplay of conservative force (transport) and partially dissipative force (relaxation) leads to (exponential) convergence to equilibrium.

Hypocoercivity:

- [Villani '09]: Abstract concept for operators on Hilbert spaces

$$L = T + Q,$$

where T is antisymmetric and Q coercive on a subspace.

- L is **hypocoercive** if T and Q fulfil “mixing condition” expressed through commutator relations.

$$\implies \|e^{-Lt}f_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \leq \underbrace{C}_{\geq 1} e^{-\lambda t} \|f_0\|_{\mathcal{H}}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

- E.g. BGK, Fokker–Planck operators with deg. diffusion.

Goals for Goldstein-Taylor model:

- Analyze the long-time behavior for **non-homogeneous relaxation** $\sigma(x)$.
- Obtain **explicit decay rates**.
- Extend results to **multi-velocity** BGK setting.

Strategy:

- First **homogeneous relaxation**:
Mode-by-Mode Lyapunov functional for lin. ODEs.
- **Non-homogeneous relaxation**:
Functional via pseudo-differential operator.

Constant Relaxation $\sigma > 0$

Reformulate equation for mass density and flux density

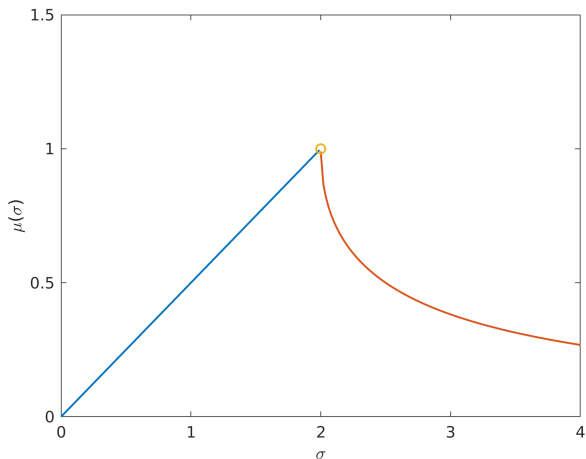
$$u := f_+ + f_-, \quad w := f_+ - f_-.$$

Goldstein–Taylor Model in Fourier Space:

$$\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \hat{u}_k(t) \\ \hat{w}_k(t) \end{pmatrix} = - \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & ik \\ ik & \sigma \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{C}_k(\sigma)} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \hat{u}_k(t) \\ \hat{w}_k(t) \end{pmatrix}}_{\hat{y}_k(t)}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

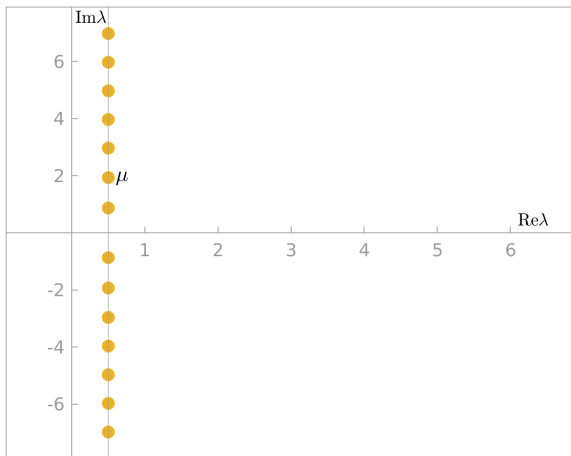
Connection to Part 1:

- Eigenvalues of $\mathbf{C}_k(\sigma)$ determine decay behavior of $\hat{y}_k(t)$.
- $\mathbf{C}_k(\sigma)$ is “hypocoercive”
- Slowest decaying Fourier mode determines decay for $y(t)$.

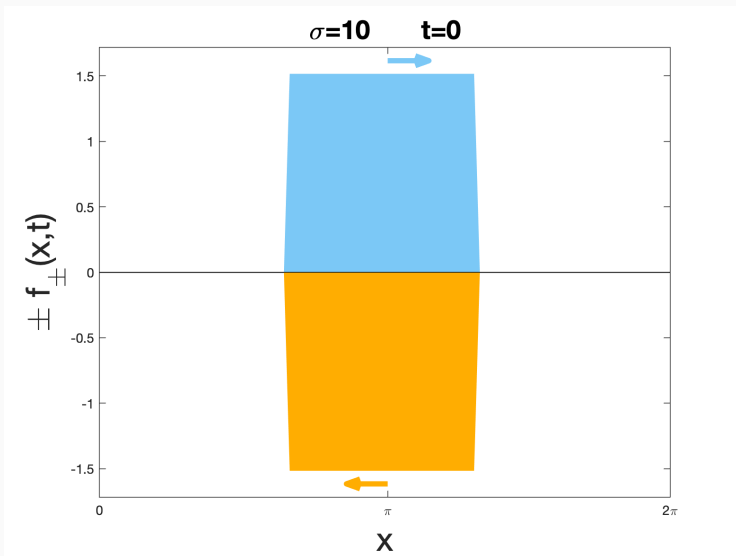


uniform-in- k spectral gap

$$\mu(\sigma) := \min_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \mu_k(\sigma) = \mu_1(\sigma) = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\sigma}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{4} - 1} \right) \in (0, 1].$$



Eigenvalues of $C_k(\sigma)$ for Fourier modes $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$.



Case $\sigma \in (0, 2)$:

Plan: For each Fourier mode $\hat{y}_k = (\hat{u}_k, \hat{w}_k)^T$, $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$, define the **modified norm** (constructed according to Lemma 1)

$$|\hat{y}_k|_{P_k}^2 := \hat{y}_k^H P_k \hat{y}_k, \quad \text{with} \quad P_k := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\sigma}{2ik} \\ -\frac{\sigma}{2ik} & 1 \end{pmatrix} > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} |\hat{y}_k|_{P_k}^2 &= -\hat{y}_k (\mathbf{C}_k^H P_k + P_k \mathbf{C}_k) \hat{y}_k \leq -\sigma \hat{y}_k^H P_k \hat{y}_k \\ &\implies |\hat{y}_k(t)|_{P_k}^2 \leq e^{-\sigma t} |\hat{y}_k(0)|_{P_k}^2. \end{aligned}$$

$|\cdot|_{P_k}^2$ is Lyapunov functional with sharp decay rate for each mode $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$.

Case $\sigma \in (0, 2)$: Spatial Lyapunov functional

Fourier transform:

- $\mathcal{F}[\partial_x f](k) = ik\mathcal{F}[f](k), k \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- $\implies \frac{1}{ik}\mathcal{F}[f](k) = \mathcal{F}[\partial_x^{-1}f](k) \quad k \neq 0$.

Idea: Recast functional in position space

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \|(\hat{u}_k - \hat{u}_k^\infty, \hat{w}_k)^T\|_{P_k}^2 &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{u}_k - \hat{u}_k^\infty|^2 + |\hat{w}_k|^2 - \sigma \operatorname{Re}(\overline{\hat{w}_k} \frac{\hat{u}_k - \hat{u}_k^\infty}{ik}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left((u - u^\infty)^2 + w^2 - \sigma w \partial_x^{-1}(u - u^\infty) \right) dx \\ &=: E_\sigma[u - u^\infty, w], \end{aligned}$$

where $u^\infty \equiv 1$.

Spatial Entropy Functional

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Norm bounds:

$$(1 - \frac{\theta}{2}) \|(u - u^\infty, w)\|_{L^2}^2 \leq E_\theta[u - u^\infty, w] \leq (1 + \frac{\theta}{2}) \|(u - u^\infty, w)\|_{L^2}^2.$$

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(iii) For $\sigma > 2$ with $\mu = \frac{\sigma}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{4} - 1}$,

$$E_{\frac{4}{\sigma}}[u(t) - u^{\infty}, w(t)] \leq E_{\frac{4}{\sigma}}[u(0) - u^{\infty}, w(0)]e^{-2\mu t}.$$

Theorem 4 (Arnold, Einav, Signorello, W.)

Let $(u, w)^T$ be a solution to (GT) with $u_0, w_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$ and

$$0 < \sigma_{\min} := \inf_{x \in \mathbb{T}} \sigma(x) \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{T}} \sigma(x) =: \sigma_{\max} < \infty.$$

Then, for $\theta^* = \min\{\sigma_{\min}, \frac{4}{\sigma_{\max}}\}$ exists an explicit decay rate $\alpha^*(\sigma_{\min}, \sigma_{\max}) > 0$ such that

$$E_{\theta^*}[u(t) - u^\infty, w(t)] \leq e^{-\alpha^* t} E_{\theta^*}[u_0 - u^\infty, w_0].$$

- **Proof:** perturbative approach
- Decay rate $\alpha^*(\sigma_{\min}, \sigma_{\max})$ is not sharp.

[Bernard, Salvarani '13]:

⊕ For $\sigma \in L^1(\mathbb{T})$, $\sigma(x) \geq 0$ sharp decay rate

$$\alpha = \min\{\sigma_{\text{avg}}, D(0)\},$$

where $D(0)$ is the spectral gap of Telegrapher's equation.

- ⊖ Method restricted to two velocities.
- ⊖ Rate in general not explicit.

Our approach:

- Extends to multi-velocity models with $\sigma(x)$.
- Strategy extends to $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Three-velocity BGK model

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u_1(x, t) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \partial_x u_2(x, t) &= 0, \\ \partial_t u_2(x, t) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \partial_x u_1(x, t) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \partial_x u_3(x, t) &= -\sigma(x) u_2(x, t), \\ \partial_t u_3(x, t) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \partial_x u_2(x, t) &= -\sigma(x) u_3(x, t).\end{aligned}$$

(3BGK)

System matrix for $\sigma(x) \equiv \sigma$ in Fourier space and approximate modified norms:

$$\mathbf{C}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} ik & 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} ik & \sigma & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} ik \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} ik & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\lambda}{ik} & 0 \\ -\frac{\lambda}{ik} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad k \neq 0,$$

(1)

Theorem 5

Let $u_1, u_2, u_3 \in C([0, \infty); L^2(\mathbb{T}))$ be mild solutions to (3BGK) with initial datum $u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0} \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$. For

$$\mathfrak{E}_\theta(f, g, h) := \|f\|^2 + \|g\|^2 + \|h\|^2 - \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \partial_x^{-1} f(x) g(x) dx,$$

we have that

$$\mathfrak{E}_\theta(u_1(t) - u_\infty, u_2(t), u_3(t)) \leq \mathfrak{E}_\theta(u_{1,0} - u_\infty, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0}) e^{-\alpha t}, \quad t \geq 0,$$

with θ appropriately chosen and explicit rate $\alpha > 0$.

Summary

- Goldstein–Taylor equation exhibits **hypocoercive dynamics**.
- Modification of L^2 norm necessary.
- Modal analysis for homogeneous relaxation: **modified norms for lin. ODEs** to obtain functional
- **Non-homogeneous relaxation** $\sigma(x) > 0$ and multi-velocities:
Expression of Lyapunov functional in spatial domain via **anti-derivatives**.

Outlook

- Discrete velocity \rightarrow continuous velocity?
- Allow $\sigma_{\min} = 0$.
- Nonlinear versions of discrete velocity BGK.

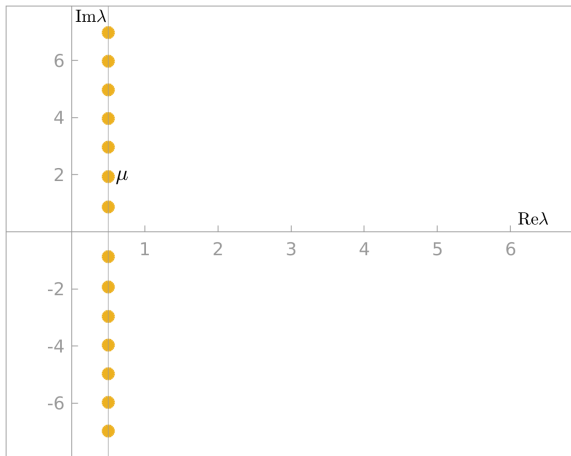
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Eigenvalues of $A_k(\sigma = 1)$ for Fourier modes $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$.

