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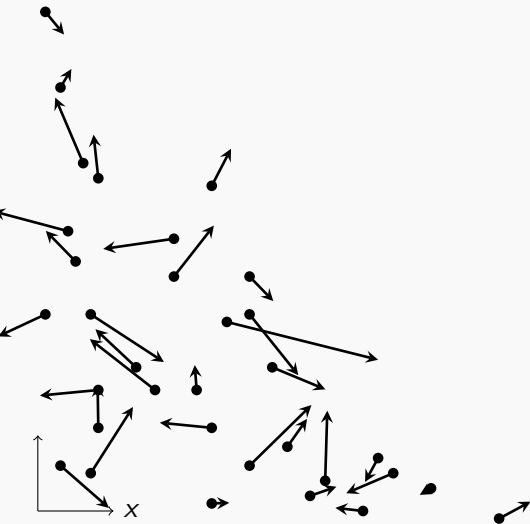
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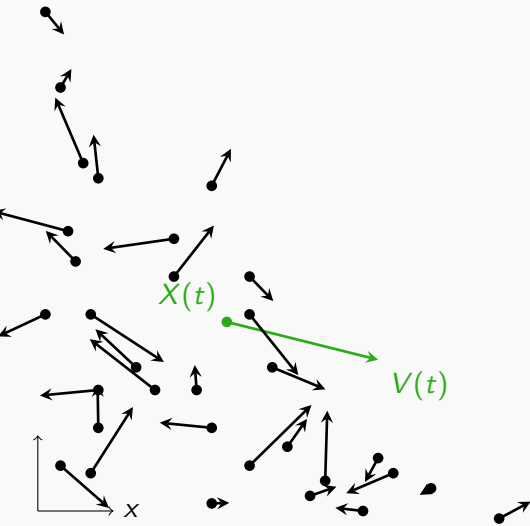
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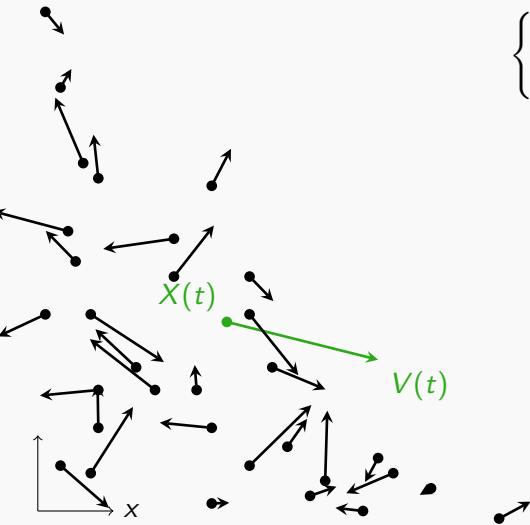
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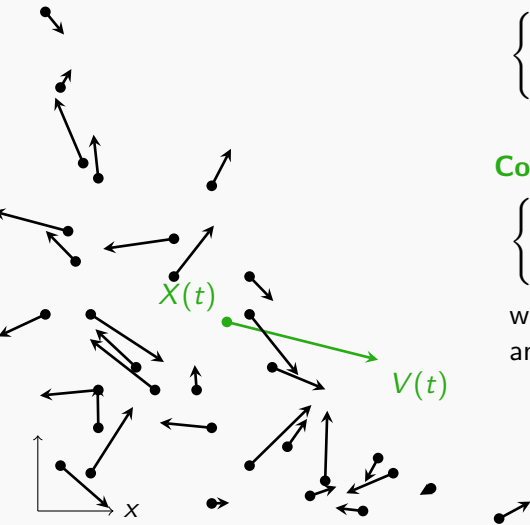
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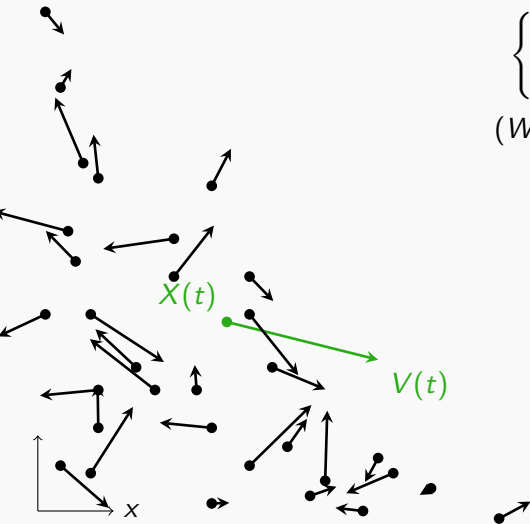
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Corresponding PDE

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u = 0 \\ u(0) = g \end{cases}$$

where $u = u(t, x, v)$ particle density and $g(x, v)$ initial distribution

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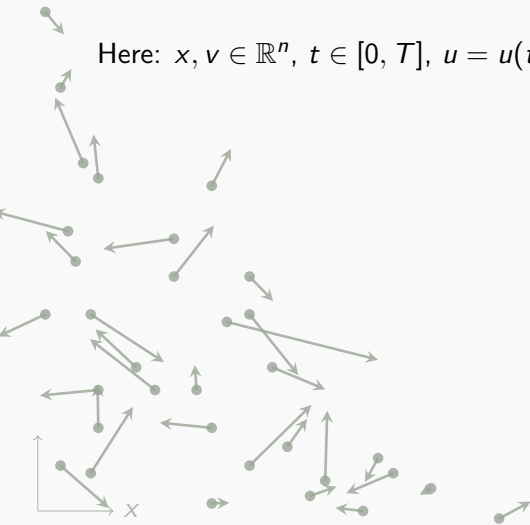
Simple collision model

$$\begin{cases} X(t) = \int_0^t V(s) ds + X_0 \\ V(t) = W(t) + V_0 \end{cases}$$

$(W(t))_{t \geq 0}$ Wiener process

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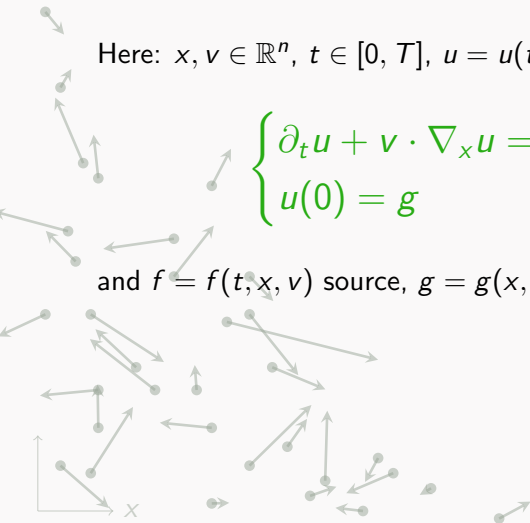


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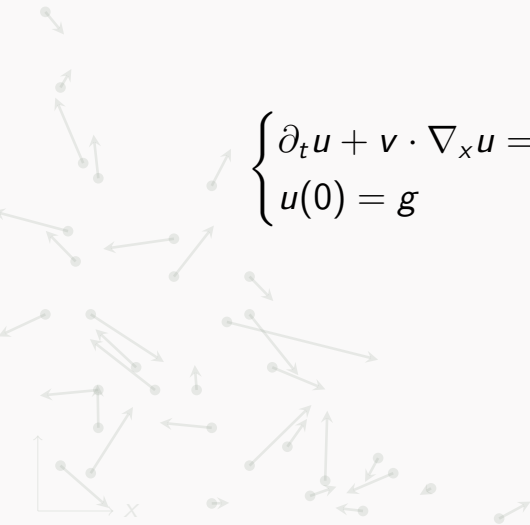
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where $X_0 = \partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x$ and $X_i = \partial_{v_i}$

$$[\partial_{v_i}, \partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x] u = \partial_{v_i} (\partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x) u - (\partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x) \partial_{v_i} u = \partial_{x_i} u$$

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Parabolic ansatz - maximal L^p -regularity

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Metafuno 01, Fornaro, Metafuno, Pallara & Schnaubelt 22

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Singular integral on homogeneous group (Folland-Stein 1974):

$$\|\partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u\|_p + \|\Delta_v u\|_p \leq C \|f\|_p.$$

For every $f \in L^p((0, T); L^p(\mathbb{R}^{2n}))$ there exists a unique solution $u \in Z$ of the Kolmogorov equation.

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The trace space of Z is defined as

$$X_\gamma = \{g: \exists u \in Z \text{ with } u(0) = g\}$$

$$\|g\|_{X_\gamma} = \inf_{\substack{u \in Z \\ u(0)=g}} \|u\|_Z.$$

Moreover

$$Z \hookrightarrow C([0, T]; X_\gamma).$$

Kinetic maximal L^p -regularity

Definition

We say that $A: D(A) \subset L^p(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ admits kinetic maximal L^p -regularity if for all $f \in X = L^p((0, T); L^p(\mathbb{R}^{2n}))$ there exists a unique distributional solution

$$u \in Z = \{w : w, \partial_t w + v \cdot \nabla_x w, Aw \in L^p((0, T); L^p(\mathbb{R}^{2n}))\}$$

of the Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u = Au + f \\ u(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

In particular $u \in C([0, T]; X_\gamma)$.

Kolmogorov equation

Theorem (Folland & Stein 74, Bramanti et al. 10, N. & Zacher 22)

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Moreover, $u \in C([0, T]; X_\gamma)$.

Extensions

- fractional Kolmogorov equation
- temporal weights
- different base spaces
- variable coefficients

Fractional Kolmogorov equation

with $\beta \in (0, 2)$:

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Temporal weights

Replace $L^p((0, T); X)$ with

$$L^p_\mu((0, T); X) = \{u: t^{1-\mu}u \in L^p((0, T); X)\}$$

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Advantages:

- Theorem (N. & Zacher 22):

Kinetic maximal L^p_μ -regularity is independent of $\mu \in (1/p, 1]$.

- for (fractional) Kolmogorov equation:

$$X_{\gamma, \mu} \cong B_{pp, x}^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+1}(\mu - \frac{1}{p})}(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap B_{pp, v}^{\beta(\mu - \frac{1}{p})}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$$

- treat lower initial value regularity

- allows to observe instantaneous regularisation

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Including a characterisation of the trace space.

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$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u = a(t, x, v) : \nabla_v^2 u + f \\ u(0) = g \end{cases}$$

Under which assumptions on the coefficient $a(t, x, v)$
do we obtain kinetic maximal L^p -regularity?

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Theorem (Bramanti et al. 13, N. & Zacher 22)

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Then the family of operators $A(t) = a(t, x, v): \nabla_v^2: H_v^{2,p} \rightarrow L^p$ admits kinetic maximal $L_\mu^p(L_{j,k}^q)$ -regularity.

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Think of X as $L_{j,k}^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and let $D \subset X$. Seek solutions in

$$Z(0, T) = \{u: u, \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u \in L_\mu^p((0, T); X)\} \cap L_\mu^p((0, T); D)$$

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where

- $g \in X_{\gamma,\mu}$
- $A: X_{\gamma,\mu} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(D, X)$
- $F: X_{\gamma,\mu} \rightarrow X$

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Theorem (N. & Zacher 22):

Assume that

$$-(A, F) \in C_{\text{loc}}^{1-}(X_{\gamma, \mu}; \mathcal{B}(D, X) \times X)$$

- $A(g)$ admits kinetic maximal $L_{\mu}^p(X)$ -regularity.

Then, there exists $T = T(g)$ and $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(g) > 0$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u = A(u)u + F(u) \\ u(0) = h \end{cases}$$

admits a unique solution in $Z(0, T)$ for all $h \in \overline{B_{\varepsilon}(g)}^{X_{\gamma, \mu}}$.

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Earlier Theorem is too restrictive for the Boltzmann equation!

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where

$$E(t, x) = \frac{\theta}{\sigma_{n-1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{x-y}{|x-y|^n} M(u)(t, y) dy$$

with $[M(u)](t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(t, x, v) dv$, $\theta = \pm 1$ and $\nu > 0$.

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Theorem (N. & Zacher):

Let $p, q \in (1, \infty)$, $\mu \in (1/p, 1]$ with $\mu - 1/p > 2n/q$, $j > n$ and $k > n$ then for all initial values

$$g \in B_{qp, x, j, k}^{2(1-\frac{1}{p})}(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \cap B_{qp, v, j, k}^{2(1-\frac{1}{p})}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$$

there exists $T = T(g)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that the VPK eq. admits a unique solution

$$u \in \left\{ u : u, \partial_t u + v \cdot \nabla_x u, \Delta_v u \in L_{\mu}^p((0, T); L_{j, k}^q(\mathbb{R}^{2n})) \right\}$$

for every initial value $h \in \overline{B_{\varepsilon}(g)}^{X_{\gamma, \mu}}$. Moreover, the solutions depend continuously on the initial value.

Outlook

- relax assumptions for the variable coefficients (local/nonlocal)
- weak L^p -solutions
- boundary value problems
- sum of the operators $\partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x$ and A (non-commuting)
- Kinetic Fokker-Planck equation, i.e. $A = \Delta_v + v \cdot \nabla_v$
- qualitative study of quasilinear problems such as global existence and large time behavior
- L^p -theory of the Boltzmann equation

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De Giorgi-Nash-Moser meets kinetic equations

Harnack inequality for kinetic equations

- first proof (GIMV 18); quantitative (GM 22)
- trajectorial interpretation of Moser's proof (elliptic/parabolic)
- trajectorial proof of a kinetic Poincaré inequality (used in GM 22)






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