

From the Boltzmann equation to incompressible viscous hydrodynamics

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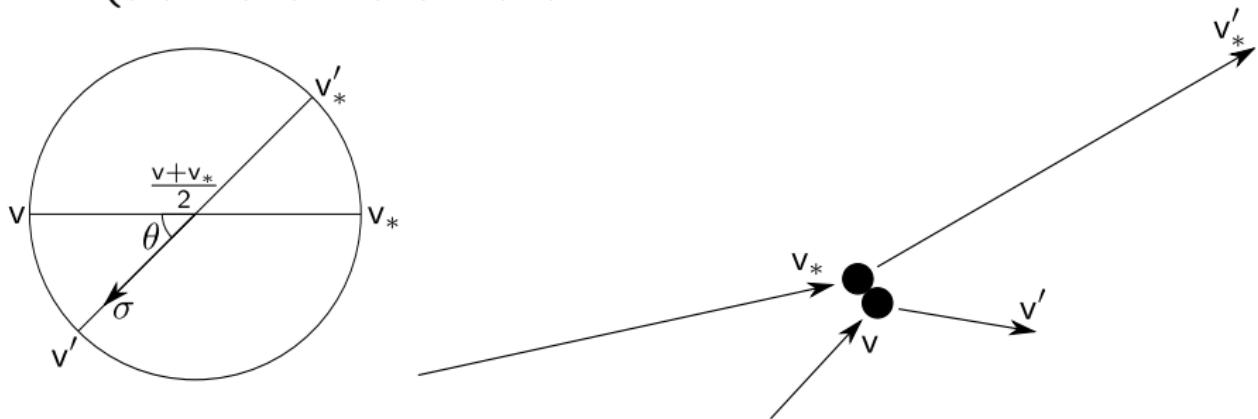
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$$\begin{cases} v + v_* = v' + v'_* & \text{(conservation of momentum)} \\ |v|^2 + |v_*|^2 = |v'|^2 + |v'_*|^2 & \text{(conservation of energy)} \end{cases}$$



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5 hypotheses:

- binary collisions (rarefied gas)
- localization in time and space of collisions
- elastic collisions
- micro-reversibility of collisions
- molecular chaos

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long-range interactions \Rightarrow grazing collisions \Rightarrow non-integrable kernel

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- stress tensor: $\textcolor{red}{P}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} F(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) \otimes (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) d\mathbf{v}$
- thermal flux: $\textcolor{red}{q}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} F(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}) |\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}|^2 d\mathbf{v}$

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Order 1: $\boxed{\nabla_x \cdot u = 0}$ and $\nabla_x (\rho + \theta) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\rho + \theta = 0} \text{ and } \boxed{g = v \cdot u + \left(\frac{|v|^2}{2} - \frac{D+2}{2} \right) \theta}$$

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Idea: use that \mathcal{L} is Fredholm (index 0) and self-adjoint on $L^2(M dv)$, so that $A, B \in \text{Im}(\mathcal{L}) \Rightarrow A = \mathcal{L}(\bar{A}), B = \mathcal{L}(\bar{B})$.

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Handling the fluxes:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\epsilon} \nabla_x \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} g_\epsilon A M dv \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \nabla_x \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} g_\epsilon \mathcal{L}(\bar{A}) M dv \\ &= \nabla_x \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathcal{L}(g_\epsilon) \bar{A} M dv \\ &= \nabla_x \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} \mathcal{Q}(g_\epsilon, g_\epsilon) \bar{A} M dv - \nabla_x \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} (\epsilon \partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x) g_\epsilon \bar{A} M dv \end{aligned}$$

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We finally obtain in the limit:

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with

$$\nu = \frac{1}{(D-1)(D+2)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} A : \mathcal{L}(A) M dv$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{D} \int_{\mathbb{R}^D} B \cdot \mathcal{L}(B) M dv$$

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① Compressible Euler ($q = 1, s = 0, m = 0$)

② Acoustic waves ($q = 1, s = 0, m > 0$)

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot u = 0, & \partial_t(\rho + \theta) + \frac{D+2}{2} \nabla_x \cdot u = 0 \\ \partial_t u + \nabla_x(\rho + \theta) = 0 \end{cases}$$

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④ Incompressible Stokes-Fourier ($q = 1, s = 1, m > 1$)

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \nu \Delta_x u = -\nabla_x p, & \nabla_x \cdot u = 0 \\ \partial_t \theta - \kappa \Delta_x \theta = 0 \end{cases}$$

⑤ Incompressible Euler-Fourier ($q > 1, s = 1, m = 1$)

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla_x u = -\nabla_x p, & \nabla_x \cdot u = 0 \\ \partial_t \theta + u \cdot \nabla_x \theta = 0 \end{cases}$$

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von Kármán relation:

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Theorem (Ars., Bardos, Golse, Levermore, Lions, Masmoudi, Saint-Raymond, '91 - '11)

We consider:

- a collision kernel which derives from an inverse power potential.
- renormalized solutions $F_\epsilon = M(1 + \epsilon g_\epsilon) \in L_t^\infty L_{x,v}^1$ of

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with well-prepared initial data.

Then, as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$:

- g_ϵ is weakly relatively compact in $L^1((1 + |v|^2) M dt dx dv)$.
- each limit point g of g_ϵ satisfies $g = v \cdot u + \left(\frac{|v|^2}{2} - \frac{D+2}{2}\right) \theta$ where $(u, \theta) \in L_t^\infty L_x^2 \cap L_t^2 \dot{H}_x^1$ is a Leray solution of the incompressible Navier-Stokes-Fourier system.

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- ① Lack of a priori estimates! We only have the entropy inequality.
- ② Renormalized solutions: $g_\epsilon \in L^1_{\text{loc}}$ (at most $L \log L$) such that
$$(\epsilon \partial_t + v \cdot \nabla_x) \frac{g_\epsilon}{2 + \epsilon g_\epsilon} = -\frac{2}{\epsilon (2 + \epsilon g_\epsilon)^2} \mathcal{L}(g_\epsilon) + \frac{2}{(2 + \epsilon g_\epsilon)^2} \mathcal{Q}(g_\epsilon, g_\epsilon)$$
- ③ The macroscopic conservation laws are not known to hold for renormalized solutions.
- ④ Time compactness: there are oscillations!
- ⑤ Space compactness: there is some compactness thanks to velocity averaging lemmas. Moreover, we need the **nonlinear weak compactness estimate**:

$$\frac{g_\epsilon^2}{2 + \epsilon g_\epsilon} \quad \text{is weakly compact in } L^1_{\text{loc}}.$$