

KI-NET UT-AUSTIN WORKSHOP

CURRENT TOPICS ON NON-LOCAL TRANSPORT THEORY

OCTOBER 7 AND 8, 2013
ICES AND MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

This is an informal workshop and open discussions on issues raging from non-linear theory of non-local diffusions, quantum and kinetic transport theory in connection with macroscopic fluid dynamics. Lectures will be held at the Peter O'Donnell Building (POB). Organizer: Irene M. Gamba.

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

CLAUDE BARDOS, UNIVERSITY OF PARIS VI, FRANCE
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Schedule

Monday, October 7th

POB Building, Room 4.304

MORNING SESSION

Room 4.304

9:30 am

Coffee

9:45-10:15

Claude Bardos – ‘*About a Variant of the Vlasov equation dubbed Vlasov-Dirac Benney equation*’

10:15– 10:30

Break/discussions

10:30 -11:00

Luis Caffarelli - ‘*Some problems for non local diffusion equations*’

11:00 – 12:00pm

Discussions in POB Seminar Area **Room 3.430**

12:00 -2:15 pm

Lunch break

AFTERNOON SESSION **POB Building – Discussion Area 3.430**

- 2:15 - 2:45pm **Natasa Pavlovic** - “*Unconditional uniqueness for the cubic Gross-Pitaevskii hierarchy via quantum de Finetti - Part I*”
- 3:00 – 3:30 **Thomas Chen** - “*Unconditional uniqueness for the cubic Gross-Pitaevskii hierarchy via quantum de Finetti - Part II*”
- 3:30 – 4:00 *Break/discussions*

Tuesday, October 8th	POB Building, Room 2.402
MORNING SESSION	Room 2.402
9:30	<i>Coffee</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Francois Golse - “ <i>Diffusion Approximation of the Linear Boltzmann Equation with Vanishing Scattering Rate</i> ”
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Break/discussions</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Phil Morrison - ‘ <i>A Transformation for Diagonalizing the Continuous Spectra of a Large Class of Hamiltonian Transport Equations</i> ’
11:30 – 1:30	<i>Discussions/Lunch</i>
AFTERNOON SESSION	Room 2.402
1:30 – 2:00	Alexis Vasseur - “ <i>Relative entropy applied to shocks for Conservation Laws and applications</i> ”
2:00 -2:30	<i>Break/discussions</i>
2:30 – 3:00	Jeff Haack - ‘ <i>Numerical computation of the Boltzmann collision operator with angularly dependent cross section</i> ’
3:00 – 3:30	<i>Break/discussions</i>
3:30 – 4:30	Alexander Bobylev - ICES/CNA seminar at POB 6.304 -- “ <i>DSMC for Simulations of Coulomb Collisions in Multi-component Plasma</i> ”

4:30 - 6:30

Discussions/ happy hour

ABSTRACTS

Claude Bardos

'About a Variant of the Vlasov equation dubbed Vlasov-Dirac Benney equation':

This is a report on project initiated with Anne Nouri in progress, in collaboration with Nicolas Besse, and also in interactions with other colleagues: Yan Brennier, Bruno Despres and Remi Sentis.

It concerns a version of the Vlasov equation where the self interacting Coulomb potential is replaced by a Dirac mass. Hence the instabilities when they appear have a much more severe effect than in the classical Vlasov Poisson equation.

Emphasis is put on the relations between the linearized version, the full non linear problem leading to the importance of the "one bump" stability and also natural connections with several other equations of physics mathematics.

Jeff Haack

'Numerical computation of the Boltzmann collision operator with angularly dependent cross section.'

I will present an extension of the conservative spectral method to the case of angular dependent scattering mechanisms arising from potential interactions between particles. In particular, we test this method by computing the Boltzmann equation with screened Coulomb potentials and numerically study the rate of convergence of the Boltzmann collision operator in the grazing collisions limit to the limiting Landau collision operator, in Fourier space. We show that the decay rate to equilibrium depends on the parameters associated with the collision cross section, and specifically study the differences between the classical Rutherford scattering angular cross section, which has logarithmic error, and an artificial one with a linear error.

Natasa Pavlovic

'Unconditional uniqueness for the cubic Gross-Pitaevskii hierarchy via quantum de Finetti - Part I'

Thomas Chen

'Unconditional uniqueness for the cubic Gross-Pitaevskii hierarchy via quantum de Finetti - Part II'

The derivation of nonlinear dispersive PDE, such as the nonlinear Schroedinger (NLS) or nonlinear Hartree (NLH) equations, from many body quantum dynamics is central topic

in mathematical physics, which has been approached by many authors in a variety of ways. In particular, one way to derive NLS is via the Gross-Pitaevskii (GP) hierarchy, which is an infinite system of coupled linear non-homogeneous PDE. The most involved part in such a derivation of NLS consists in establishing uniqueness of solutions to the GP. That was achieved in seminal papers of Erdos-Schlein-Yau. Recently, with T. Chen, C. Hainzl and R. Seiringer we obtained a new, simpler proof of the unconditional uniqueness of solutions to the cubic Gross-Pitaevskii hierarchy in the 3-Dimensional space. One of the main tools in our analysis is the quantum de Finetti theorem.

In the first talk, Natasa will present a brief review of the derivation of NLS via the GP, describing the context in which the new uniqueness result appears. In the second talk, Thomas will illustrate how quantum de Finetti's theorem can be used to obtain unconditional uniqueness of the GP.

Alexander Bobylev

'DSMC methods for simulation of Coulomb collisions in multi-component plasma'

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The general DSMC method for solving Boltzmann equation for long-range potentials and Landau-Fokker-Planck equation was proposed by Bobylev and Nanbu in 2000 [1] (partly as a development of earlier approach of Nanbu [2] to Coulomb collisions). The methods of [1,2] were later applied to various model problems of plasma physics, discussed in detail and further developed by several authors (see, for example, [3,4] and references in [4]). However the general method of [1] was not clearly understood and therefore many authors still use a more complicated original scheme of [2] with reference to [1] just for the formal proof of consistency with the Landau-Fokker-Planck equation. The reason is that the first presentation of the method was done in [1] in too formal and general way. We present in this paper a completely different approach, which leads to basically the same general method, but makes its essence absolutely clear and transparent. The method is explained for the general case of multi-component plasma. We also present some rigorous estimates for accuracy of the method. Finally some numerical results on typical problems of physics of collisional plasma are presented and discussed.

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