

# Micro-macro discretizations for collisional kinetic equations of Boltzmann-BGK type in the diffusive scaling

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# Numerical simulation of particle systems

We are interested in

- the numerical simulation of collisional kinetic Problems $_{\varepsilon}$ ,
- different scales: collisions parameterized by the Knudsen number  $\varepsilon$ ,
- the development of schemes that are efficient in both kinetic ( $\varepsilon = \mathcal{O}(1)$ ) and fluid ( $\varepsilon \ll 1$ ) regimes.

There are two main strategies for multiscale problems:

- domain decomposition methods,
- asymptotic preserving (AP) schemes<sup>5</sup>.

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<sup>5</sup>Jin, SISC 1999.

Our first Problem $_{\varepsilon}$ 

1D radiative transport equation in the diffusive scaling

$$\partial_t f + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} v \partial_x f = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (\rho M - f) \quad (1)$$

- distribution function  $f(t, x, v)$ ,
- $x \in [0, L_x] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v \in V = [-1, 1]$ ,
- charge density  $\rho(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_V f dv$ ,
- $M(v) = 1$ ,
- periodic conditions in  $x$  and initial conditions.

Main difficulty:

- Knudsen number  $\varepsilon$  may be of order 1 or tend to 0 in the diffusive scaling. The asymptotic diffusion equation being

$$\partial_t \rho - \frac{1}{3} \partial_{xx} \rho = 0. \quad (2)$$

# Objectives

- Construction of an AP scheme.
- Reduction of the numerical cost at the limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

## Tools

- Micro-macro decomposition<sup>6,7</sup> for this model. Previous work with a grid in  $v$  for the micro part<sup>8</sup>, cost was constant w.r.t.  $\varepsilon$ .

## Idea

- Use particles for the micro part since few information in  $v$  is necessary at the limit.

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<sup>6</sup>Liu, Yu, CMP 2004.

<sup>7</sup>Lemou, Mieussens, SIAM JSC 2008.

<sup>8</sup>Crouseilles, Lemou, KRM 2011.

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## Micro-macro decomposition

- Micro-macro decomposition:

$$f = \rho M + g$$

with  $g$  the perturbation.

- $\mathcal{N} = \text{Span} \{M\} = \{f = \rho M\}$  null space of the BGK operator  
 $Q(f) = \rho M - f$ .
- $\Pi$  orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{N}$ :

$$\Pi h := \langle h \rangle M, \quad \langle h \rangle := \frac{1}{2} \int h \, dv.$$

- Hypothesis: first moment of  $g$  must be zero:

$$\langle g \rangle = 0, \quad \text{since} \quad \langle f \rangle = \rho = \langle \rho M \rangle.$$

True at the numerical level? If not, we have to work on it<sup>9,10</sup>.

<sup>9</sup>Degond, Dimarco, Pareschi, IJNMF 2011.

<sup>10</sup>C., Crouseilles, Lemou, KRM 2012.



- Applying  $\Pi$  to (1)  $\implies$  macro equation on  $\rho$

$$\partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0. \quad (3)$$

- Applying  $(I - \Pi)$  to (1)  $\implies$  micro equation on  $g$

$$\partial_t g + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} [v \partial_x \rho M + v \partial_x g - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M] = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} g. \quad (4)$$

Equation (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  micro-macro system:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0, \\ \partial_t g + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g) = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} g, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathcal{F}(\rho, g) := v \partial_x \rho M + v \partial_x g - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M$ .

# Difficulties

- Stiff terms in the micro equation (4) on  $g$ .
- In previous works<sup>11,12</sup>, stiffest term (of order  $1/\varepsilon^2$ ) considered implicit in time  $\implies$  transport term (of order  $1/\varepsilon$ ) stabilized.

But here:

- use of particles for the micro part
- $\implies$  splitting between the transport term and the source term,
- $\implies$  not possible to use the same strategy.

Idea?

- Suitable reformulation of the model.

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<sup>11</sup>Lemou, Mieussens, SIAM SISC 2008.

<sup>12</sup>Crouseilles, Lemou, KRM 2011.

• Strategy of Lemou<sup>13</sup>:

1. rewrite (4)  $\partial_t g + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g) = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} g$  as

$$\partial_t (e^{t/\varepsilon^2} g) = -\frac{e^{t/\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g),$$

2. integrate in time between two times  $t^n$  and  $t^{n+1} = t^n + \Delta t$ :

$$e^{t^{n+1}/\varepsilon^2} g^{n+1} = e^{t^n/\varepsilon^2} g^n + \int_{t^n}^{t^{n+1}} -\frac{e^{t/\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g) dt,$$

3. use left-rectangle method for  $\mathcal{F}(\rho, g)$  and multiply by  $e^{-t^{n+1}/\varepsilon^2} / \Delta t$ :

$$\frac{g^{n+1} - g^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g^n - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} \mathcal{F}(\rho^n, g^n) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t),$$

4. approximate up to terms of order  $\mathcal{O}(\Delta t)$  by:

$$\partial_t g = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g).$$

• No more stiff terms and consistent with the initial micro eq. (4).

<sup>13</sup>Lemou, CRAS 2010.

## New micro-macro model

The new micro-macro model writes

$$\partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$\partial_t g = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g), \quad (7)$$

with  $\mathcal{F}(\rho, g) = v \partial_x \rho M + v \partial_x g - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M$ .

We propose the following hybrid discretization:

- macro equation (6): Finite Volume method,
- micro equation (7): Particle method.

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## First algorithm

Reformulated system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0, \\ \partial_t g = \frac{e^{-\Delta t / \varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t / \varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [v \partial_x \rho M + v \partial_x g - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M]. \end{cases}$$

### Algorithm

1. Solving the micro part by a Particle-In-Cell (PIC) method.
2. Projection step to numerically force to zero the first moment of  $g$  (matching procedure<sup>14</sup>).
3. Solving the macro part by a Finite Volume (FV) scheme (mesh on  $x$ ), with a source term dependent on  $g$ .

1-3 coupling: similarities with the  $\delta f$  method<sup>15</sup>.

<sup>14</sup>Degond, Dimarco, Pareschi, IJNMF 2011.

<sup>15</sup>Brunner, Valeo, Krommes, Phys. of Plasmas 1999.

## PIC method with evolution of weights

- **Model:** having  $N_p$  particles, with position  $x_k(t)$ , velocity  $v_k(t)$  and weight  $\omega_k(t)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N_p$ ,  $g$  is approximated by

$$g_{N_p}(t, x, v) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_p} \omega_k(t) \delta(x - x_k(t)) \delta(v - v_k(t)).$$

- **Initialization:** positions and velocities of particles uniformly distributed in phase space  $(x, v)$ , weights initialized to

$$\omega_k(0) = g(0, x_k, v_k) \frac{L_x L_v}{N_p},$$

( $L_x$   $x$ -length of the domain,  $L_v$   $v$ -length).

## Splitting between transport and source part

- Equation on  $g$

$$\partial_t g + \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [v \partial_x g] = S_g$$

where

$$S_g := \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [v \partial_x \rho M - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M].$$

- Solve **transport part**  $\partial_t g + \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [v \partial_x g] = 0$  thanks to motion equation

$$\frac{dx_k}{dt}(t) = \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} v_k(t).$$

For example

$$x_k^{n+1} = x_k^n + \varepsilon (1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) v_k.$$



- Solve **source part**  $\partial_t g = S_g$  by evolution of weights  $\omega_k$ :

$$\frac{d\omega_k}{dt}(t) = S_g(x_k, v_k) \frac{L_x L_v}{N_p}$$

with

$$S_g = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [v \partial_x \rho M - \partial_x \langle vg \rangle M].$$

In practice:

$$\frac{\omega_k^{n+1} - \omega_k^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} \omega_k^n - \varepsilon \frac{1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}}{\Delta t} [\alpha_k^n + \beta_k^n],$$

$$\text{with } \alpha_k^n = v_k \partial_x \rho^n(x_k^{n+1}) M(v_k) \frac{L_x L_v}{N_p}$$

$$\text{and } \beta_k^n = -\partial_x \langle vg \rangle(x_k^{n+1}) M(v_k) \frac{L_x L_v}{N_p}.$$

## Macro part

- Equation  $\partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0$ .
- First proposition:

$$\rho_i^{n+1} = \rho_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g^{n+1} \rangle_i,$$

discretized by a Finite Volume method:

$$\rho_i^n \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} \rho(t^n, x) dx,$$

$$\langle v g^n \rangle_i = \frac{1}{2\Delta x} \sum_{x_k \in [x_{i-1/2}, x_{i+1/2}]} v_k \omega_k^n \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i-1/2}}^{x_{i+1/2}} \langle v g \rangle(t^n, x) dx.$$

- Problem:  $g^{n+1}$  suffers from numerical noise inherent to particles method. This noise, amplified by  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ , will damage  $\rho^{n+1}$ .

## Correction of the macro discretization

- Write

$$\omega_k^{n+1} = e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} \omega_k^n - \varepsilon(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \left[ \underbrace{v \partial_x \rho M}_{\alpha_k^n} + \underbrace{-\partial_x \langle vg \rangle M}_{\beta_k^n} \right].$$

- Let  $h_i^n := e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} \langle vg^n \rangle_i - \varepsilon(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \langle -v \partial_x \langle vg \rangle M \rangle_i$  and approximate

$$\langle vg^{n+1} \rangle_i = -\varepsilon(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \frac{1}{3} \partial_x \rho_i^n + h_i^n.$$

- Inject it in the macro equation

$$\rho_i^{n+1} = \rho_i^n + \Delta t(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \frac{1}{3} \partial_{xx} \rho_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \partial_x h_i^n.$$

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- Inject it in the macro equation and take the diffusion term implicit

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## Properties

- For fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the scheme is a first-order (in time) approximation of the reformulated micro-macro system.
- For fixed  $\Delta t > 0$ , the scheme degenerates into an implicit first-order (in time) scheme of the diffusion equation (2).

$\Rightarrow$  AP property

- No parabolic CFL condition of type  $\Delta t \leq C \Delta x^2$ .
- No more stiffness, the numerical noise does not damage  $\rho$ .
- We only need a few particles at the limit to represent  $g$ : cost reduced.

## Asymptotic behaviour

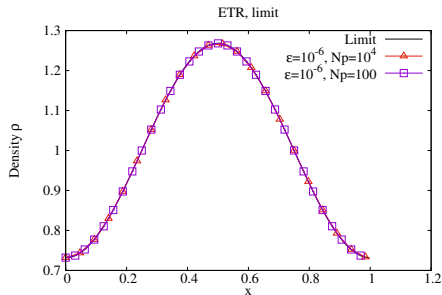
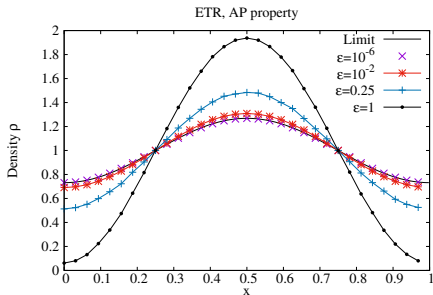
Initial distribution function

$$f(t=0, x, v) = 1 + \cos\left(2\pi\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right), \quad x \in [0, 1], v \in [-1, 1].$$

$$\text{Density } \rho(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t, x, v) dv, \quad \text{and } M(v) = 1.$$

Left:  $T = 0.1, N_x = 64, N_p = 10^4, \Delta t = 10^{-3}$ ,

Right:  $T = 0.1, N_x = 64, \varepsilon = 10^{-6}, \Delta t = 10^{-2}$ .



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  - Vlasov-BGK-Poisson model
  - Multi-dimensional testcases

## How to...

- How to derive a second-order in time scheme?
- How to consider a  $\text{Problem}_\varepsilon$  with an electric field?  
Details in [C., Crouseilles, Lemou, CMS 2018].
- How to consider  $d_x = d_v = 2$  or  $d_x = d_v = 3$  testcases?
- How to automatically reduce the number of particles?  
Details in [C., Crouseilles, Dimarco, Lemou, JCP 2019].



## How to derive a second-order in time scheme?

- Work on the micro-macro model.
- Work, of course, on the time scheme.
- Insure the order of the time scheme at the limit too.

## New reformulation of the micro-macro system

- When integrating in time  $\partial_t(e^{t/\varepsilon^2} g) = -\frac{e^{t/\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho, g)$ , use a midpoint method for the right-hand side

$$g^{n+1} = e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} g^n - \frac{\Delta t e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho^{n+1/2}, g^{n+1/2}) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3).$$

- Make appear a discrete time derivative

$$\frac{g^{n+1} - g^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} g^n - \frac{e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho^{n+1/2}, g^{n+1/2}) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2).$$

- Perform Taylor expansions at  $t^{n+1/2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t g^{n+1/2} &= \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\Delta t} \left( g^{n+1/2} - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \partial_t g^{n+1/2} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{F}(\rho^{n+1/2}, g^{n+1/2}) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2). \end{aligned}$$

- New second-order micro-macro system:

$$\partial_t \rho + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g \rangle = 0,$$

$$\partial_t g = \frac{2}{\Delta t} \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} g - \frac{2}{\varepsilon} \frac{e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} [v \partial_x \rho M + v \partial_x g - \partial_x \langle v g \rangle M].$$

- Time scheme of second order: → Prediction step on  $\Delta t/2$ :

$$g^{n+1/2} = g^n + \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} g^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \frac{e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} \mathcal{F}(\rho^n, g^n),$$

$$\rho^{n+1/2} = \rho^n - \frac{\Delta t}{2\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g^{n+1/2} \rangle,$$

→ Correction step on  $\Delta t$ :

$$g^{n+1} = g^n + 2 \frac{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} - 1}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} \tilde{g} - \frac{2\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \frac{e^{-\Delta t/2\varepsilon^2}}{e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} + 1} \mathcal{F}(\rho^{n+1/2}, g^{n+1/2}),$$

$$\rho^{n+1} = \rho^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g^{n+1/2} \rangle.$$

- Choice of  $\tilde{g}$  in order to have a second-order in time scheme and the right asymptotic limit:  $\tilde{g} = \frac{g^n + g^{n+1}}{2}$ .
- Correct the macro equation:

$$\rho_i^{n+1} = \rho_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\varepsilon} \partial_x \langle v g^{n+1/2} \rangle_i + \Delta t (1 - e^{-\Delta t / \varepsilon^2})^2 \frac{1}{3} \partial_{xx} \left( \frac{\rho_i^{n+1} + \rho_i^n}{2} \right).$$

- Same PIC/FV discretization in space as for the first-order scheme.

## Properties

- For fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the scheme is a second-order (in time) approximation of the reformulated micro-macro system.
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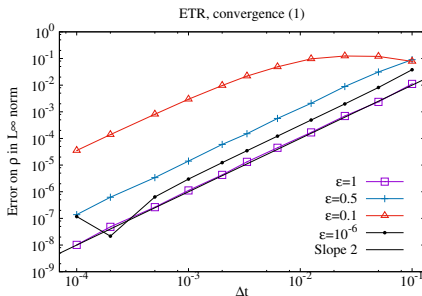
$\Rightarrow$  2nd-order in time + AP property

# Convergence - 2nd-order in time

Initial distribution function

$$f(t=0, x, v) = 1 + \cos\left(2\pi\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right), \quad x \in [0, 1], v \in [-1, 1].$$

Parameters:  $T = 0.1$ ,  $N_x = 16$ ,  $N_p = 100$ .



## How to consider a Problem $_{\varepsilon}$ with an electric field?

### 1D Vlasov-BGK equation in the diffusive scaling

$$\partial_t f + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} v \partial_x f + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} E \partial_v f = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (\rho M - f) \quad (8)$$

- $x \in [0, L_x] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $v \in V = \mathbb{R}$ ,
- charge density  $\rho(t, x) = \int_V f dv$ ,
- electric field  $E(t, x)$  given by Poisson equation  $\partial_x E = \rho - 1$ ,
- $M(v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2}\right)$ ,
- periodic conditions in  $x$  and initial conditions.

### Multiscale framework:

- Knudsen number  $\varepsilon$  may be of order 1 or tend to 0 at the drift-diffusion limit

$$\partial_t \rho - \partial_x (\partial_x \rho - E \rho) = 0. \quad (9)$$

## Not any more difficult

- Change the definition of  $\mathcal{F}(\rho, g)$ :

$$\mathcal{F}(\rho, g) = v\partial_x\rho M + v\partial_x g - \partial_x\langle vg\rangle M - vME\rho + E\partial_v g.$$

- Same reformulation of the micro-macro system with this  $\mathcal{F}$ .
- Evolve positions and velocity of particles by considering

$$v_k^{n+1} = v_k^n + \varepsilon(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2})E^n(x_k^n).$$

- Solve Poisson equation  $\partial_x E = \rho - 1$  thanks to FFT or finite differences.



## Landau damping

- Initial distribution function:

$$f(t=0, x, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2}\right) (1 + \alpha \cos(kx)), \quad x \in \left[0, \frac{2\pi}{k}\right], v \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Micro-macro initializations:

$$\rho(t=0, x) = 1 + \alpha \cos(kx) \quad \text{and} \quad g(t=0, x, v) = 0.$$

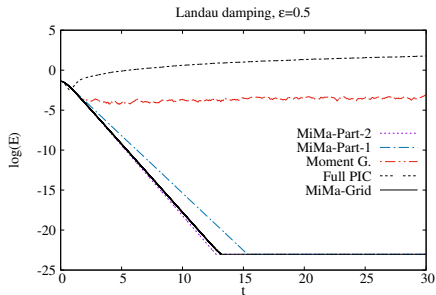
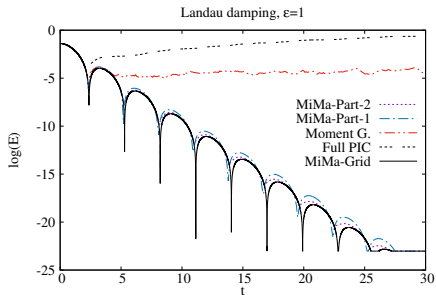
- Parameters:  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $k = 0.5$ .
- Electrical energy  $\mathcal{E}(t) = \sqrt{\int E(t, x)^2 dx}$ .

## Evolution in time of the electrical energy

Kinetic and intermediate regimes

Left:  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 10^5$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.1$ .

Right:  $\varepsilon = 0.5$ ,  $N_x = 256$ ,  $N_p = 10^5$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.01$ .

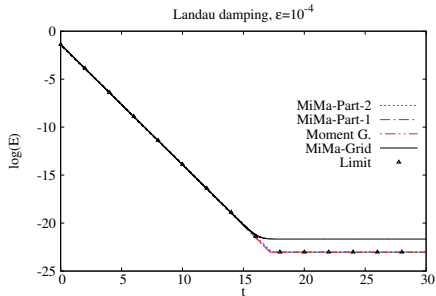
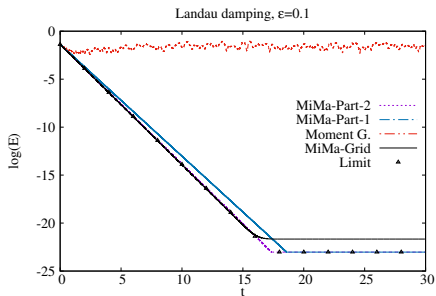


## Evolution in time of the electrical energy

Limit regime

Left:  $\varepsilon = 0.1$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 10^4$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$ ,

Right:  $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 100$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.01$ .



## Two stream instability

- Initial distribution function:

$$f(t=0, x, v) = \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2}\right) (1 + \alpha \cos(kx)), \quad x \in \left[0, \frac{2\pi}{k}\right], v \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Micro-macro initializations:

$$\rho(t=0, x) = 1 + \alpha \cos(kx)$$

$$g(t=0, x, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (v^2 - 1) \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2}\right) (1 + \alpha \cos(kx)).$$

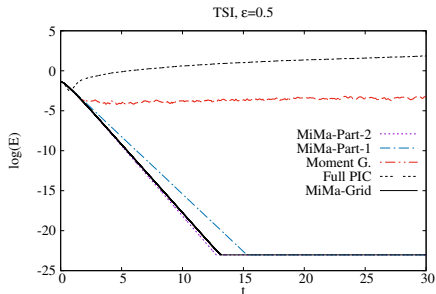
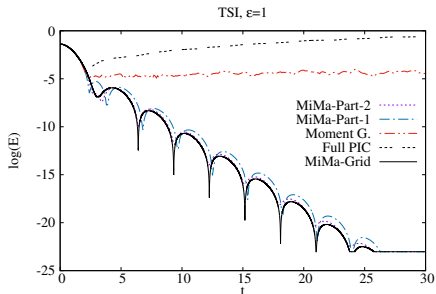
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## Evolution in time of the electrical energy

Kinetic and intermediate regimes

Left:  $\varepsilon = 1$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 10^5$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.1$ .

Right:  $\varepsilon = 0.5$ ,  $N_x = 256$ ,  $N_p = 10^5$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.01$ .

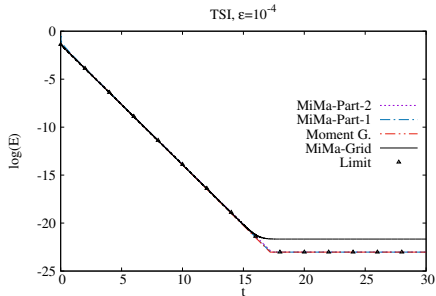
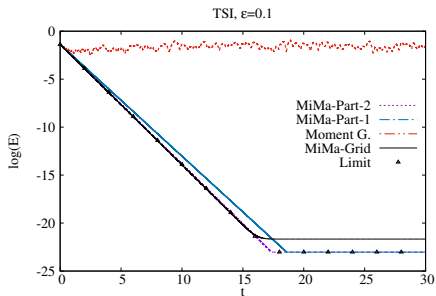


## Evolution in time of the electrical energy

Limit regime

Left:  $\varepsilon = 0.1$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 10^4$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.001$ .

Right:  $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$ ,  $N_x = 128$ ,  $N_p = 100$ ,  $\Delta t = 0.01$ .

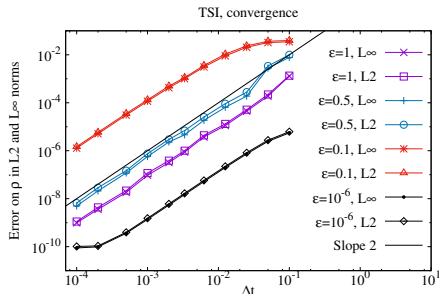
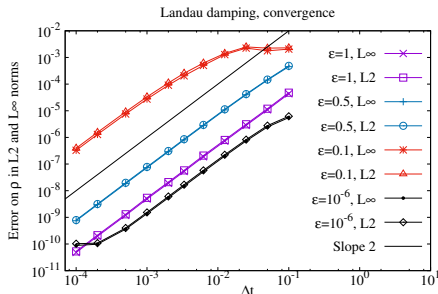


## Convergence - 2nd-order in time

Left: Landau damping case.

Right: two stream instability case.

Parameters:  $T = 0.1$ ,  $N_x = 16$ ,  $N_p = 100$ .



## How to consider $d_x = d_v = 2$ or $d_x = d_v = 3$ testcases?

- In the radiative transport equation case (no electric field), use Monte Carlo techniques<sup>16,17</sup> for the particles discretization.
- Since the cost will be smaller, we can consider multi-dimensional frameworks:  $(d_x, d_v) = (2, 2)$  or  $(3, 3)$ .

$$\partial_t f + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (\rho M - f) \quad (10)$$

- $\mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{d_x}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \in V = \mathbb{R}^{d_v}$ ,
- charge density  $\rho(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_V f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\mathbf{v}$ ,
- $M(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d_v/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{|\mathbf{v}|^2}{2}\right)$ ,
- periodic conditions in  $\mathbf{x}$  and initial conditions.

The asymptotic diffusion equation being

$$\partial_t \rho - \Delta_{\mathbf{x}} \rho = 0. \quad (11)$$

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<sup>16</sup>Degond, Dimarco, Pareschi, IJNMF 2011.

<sup>17</sup>Dimarco, Pareschi, Samaey, SISC 2018.



## How to automatically reduce the number of particles?

- Same reformulation of the micro-macro system.
- Consider that the **number of particles depends on  $t$**  and that the **weights are constant**:

$$g_{N^n}(t^n, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) = \sum_{k=1}^{N^n} \omega_k \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_k^n) \delta(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_k^n).$$

- Initially, sample particles corresponding to  $g(t=0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$ .
- Solve transport part of the micro equation as previously (motion equations).

- Solve **source part** of the micro equation

$$g^{n+1} = e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} \tilde{g}^n + (1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \varepsilon [-\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \rho^n M + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v} \tilde{g} \rangle^n M],$$

where  $\tilde{g}^n$  is the function after the transport part,

with **Monte Carlo techniques**:

- with probability  $e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}$ , the distribution  $g$  does not change from  $t^n$  to  $t^{n+1}$ ,
- with probability  $(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2})$ , the distribution  $g$  is replaced from  $t^n$  to  $t^{n+1}$  by a new distribution given by  $\varepsilon [-\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \rho^n M + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v} \tilde{g} \rangle^n M]$ .

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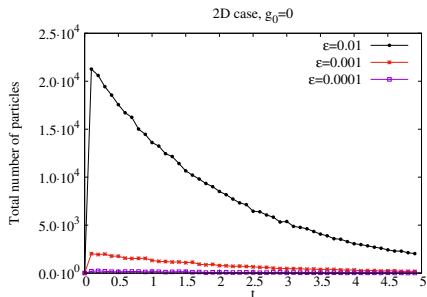
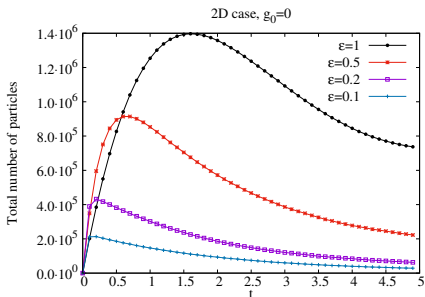
with **Monte Carlo techniques**:

- keep  $e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2} N^n$  particles unchanged (uniformly taken in each cell) and delete the others,
- create new particles by sampling

$$(1 - e^{-\Delta t/\varepsilon^2}) \varepsilon [-\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \rho^n M + \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \langle \mathbf{v} \tilde{g} \rangle^n M].$$

## Time evolution of the number of particles

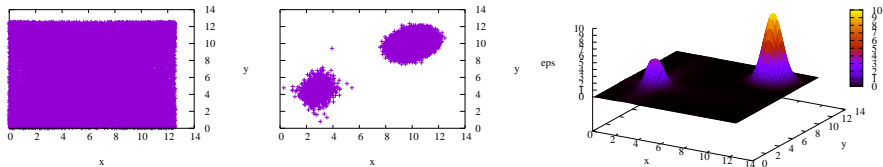
Time evolution of the number of particles in a  $d_x = d_v = 2$  case.



## Slightly different model with $\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})$

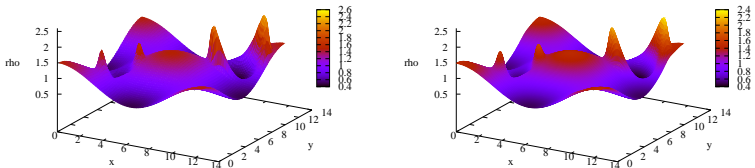
Position of particles.

Left: particles at  $T = 0$ . Middle: particles at  $T = 1$ . Right:  $\varepsilon(\mathbf{x})$ .



Density profile  $\rho(T = 1, x, y)$ .

Left: micro-macro Monte Carlo. Right: reference micro-macro grid.



## Full $d_x = d_v = 3$ case

Integral of the distribution function in space  $\int_{\mathbf{x}} f(T, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) d\mathbf{x}$

Left:  $\varepsilon = 1$ , right:  $\varepsilon = 0.5$ , from  $T = 0$  to  $T = 1$ .

## Conclusions

- Right asymptotic behaviour: AP schemes.
- Possible to extend to a 2nd-order in time scheme.
- Computational cost reduces as the equilibrium is approached.
- Numerical noise smaller than a standard particle method on  $f$ .
- Implicit treatment of the diffusion term.
- Suitable for multi-dimensional testcases.

## Future works

- Consider more physically relevant 3D-3D testcases.
- Consider Boltzmann operator instead of BGK.
- Add an electromagnetic field in the Monte Carlo / FV strategy.



Thank you for your attention!