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GLOBAL CLASSICAL SOLUTIONS FOR QUANTUM KINETIC FOKKER-PLANCK EQUATIONS*



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Abstract We consider a class of nonlinear kinetic Fokker-Planck equations modeling quantum particles which obey the Bose-Einstein and Fermi-Dirac statistics, respectively. We establish the existence and convergence rate to the steady state of global classical solution to such kind of equations around the steady state.

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1 Introduction

In this paper we are interested in the following quantum kinetic Fokker-Planck equation:

$$\partial_t f + p \cdot \nabla_x (f + \sigma \kappa f^2) = \nabla_p \cdot (pf(1 + \kappa f) + \nabla_p f)$$
(1.1)

with initial data $f(0, x, p) = f_0(x, p)$. Here $\sigma = 1$, or $\sigma = 0$ and f(t, x, p) denotes the particles distribution function on phase space $\mathbf{R}_x^3 \times \mathbf{R}_p^3$ for any time $t \ge 0$.

Equation (1.1) with $\sigma = 1$ was introduced in [18], for the classical particles obeying an exclusion principle. A formal derivation from the generalized quantum Boltzmann equation and the Uehling-Uhlenbeck equation was given in [16, 26]. Different physical applications can be founded in [13, 17] and the references therein. Notice that $\kappa = -1$ corresponds to the Fermions and $\kappa = 1$ to the Bosons. For $\kappa = 0$, equation (1.1) simplifies to the classical linear Fokker-Planck equation. Equation (1.1) with $\sigma = 0$ was proposed in [27, 28] to describe self-gravitating particles and the formation of Bose-Einstein condensates in a kinetic framework.

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The purpose of this paper is to construct global classical solutions and large time behavior of global solution to equation (1.1) near an steady state, which is given by

$$f_{\infty}(p) = \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{|p|^2}{2} + \theta\right) - \kappa}.$$
(1.2)

Distribution (1.2) is the well-known Fermi-Dirac equilibrium distribution for $\kappa = -1$. For $\kappa = 1$, $f_{\infty}(p)$ is the so-called regular Bose-Einstein distribution. If $\kappa = 0$, $f_{\infty}(p)$ simplifies to the classical Maxwellian. In this paper we require $\theta > 0$ in (1.2) and we see [5, 11, 25] for a detailed discussion.

We define the perturbation g(t, x, p) around this steady state by

$$f = f_{\infty} + \sqrt{\mu_{\infty}}g,\tag{1.3}$$

where $\mu_{\infty} = f_{\infty} + \kappa f_{\infty}^2$. Then equation (1.1) yields the following equation for the perturbation g(t, x, p):

$$\partial_t g + (1 + 2\sigma \kappa f_\infty) p \cdot \nabla_x g + Lg = Q(g) \tag{1.4}$$

with initial data $g(0, x, p) = g_0(x, p)$. Here the linearized collision operator L is given by

$$Lg = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_{\infty}}} \nabla_p \cdot \left(\nabla_p (g\sqrt{\mu_{\infty}}) + p\eta_{\infty} g\sqrt{\mu_{\infty}} \right)$$
$$= -\Delta_p g - g \left(\frac{3}{2} \eta_{\infty} - |p|^2 \left(\frac{1}{4} + 2\kappa \mu_{\infty} \right) \right), \tag{1.5}$$

where $\eta_{\infty} = 1 + 2\kappa f_{\infty}$. The quadratic remainder Q(g) is

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$$Q(g) = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\mu_{\infty}}} \Big(\nabla_p \cdot (p\mu_{\infty}g^2) - \sigma\mu_{\infty}p \cdot \nabla_x(g^2) \Big).$$
(1.6)

In this paper, the following notations are used. Let α and β be $\alpha = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3]$ and $\beta = [\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3]$, respectively. Denote

$$\partial_{\beta}^{\alpha} \equiv \partial_{x_1}^{\alpha_1} \partial_{x_2}^{\alpha_2} \partial_{x_3}^{\alpha_3} \partial_{p_1}^{\beta_1} \partial_{p_2}^{\beta_2} \partial_{p_3}^{\beta_3}.$$

If each component of β is not greater than corresponding one of $\overline{\beta}$, we use the standard notation $\beta \leq \overline{\beta}$. And $\beta < \overline{\beta}$ means that $\beta \leq \overline{\beta}$ and $|\beta| < |\overline{\beta}|$. $C_{\beta}^{\overline{\beta}}$ is the usual binomial coefficient. For the study of the time decay rate, the space $Z_q = L^2(\mathbf{R}_p^3; L^q(\mathbf{R}_x^3))$ is used with its norm defined by

$$||f||_{Z_q} = \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \left(\int_{\mathbf{R}^3} |f(x,p)|^q \mathrm{d}x\right)^{\frac{2}{q}} \mathrm{d}p\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

We will use $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ to denote the standard L^2 inner product in \mathbf{R}_p^3 , and (\cdot, \cdot) for the one in $\mathbf{R}_x^3 \times \mathbf{R}_p^3$. $|\cdot|_2$ denotes the L^2 norm in \mathbf{R}_p^3 and $||\cdot||$ to denote the L^2 norms in $\mathbf{R}_x^3 \times \mathbf{R}_p^3$. From now on, C or c denotes a generic positive constant which may vary from line to line.

First note that L is self-adjoint on $L^2(\mathbf{R}_p^3)$ and by a simple calculation one has

$$\langle Lg,g\rangle = \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \left| \nabla_p g + \frac{p}{2} \eta_\infty g \right|^2 \mathrm{d}p = \int_{\mathbf{R}^3} \left| \nabla_p \left(\frac{g}{\sqrt{\mu_\infty}} \right) \right|^2 \mu_\infty \mathrm{d}p.$$
(1.7)

Thus the kernel of positive operator L is given by

$$\mathcal{N} = \operatorname{span}\{\sqrt{\mu_{\infty}}\}.$$
 (1.8)

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