

MA5232: Project 2

- For Question 3, find a partner to work with you if necessary. Only one report is required for a teamwork.
- Due date: 6pm, 25 March 2021.
- The report of the project should be submitted to the folder “Submission to Project 2” on LumiNUS.

Question 1

Given two distribution functions $f(\mathbf{v})$ and $g(\mathbf{v})$, define

$$\tilde{f}(\mathbf{v}) = f(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}), \quad \tilde{g}(\mathbf{v}) = g(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}),$$

where \mathbf{R} is an orthogonal matrix and \mathbf{w} is an arbitrary vector. Show that

$$Q[\tilde{f}, \tilde{g}](\mathbf{v}) = Q[f, g](\mathbf{R}\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}),$$

which indicates the Galilean invariance of the collision operator.

Question 2

For the linearized collision operator $\mathcal{L}[\cdot]$, show that

1. For any function $\psi(\mathbf{v})$, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \psi(\mathbf{v}) \mathcal{L}[f] \, d\mathbf{v} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_0^\pi \int_{\mathbf{n} \perp \mathbf{g}} |\mathbf{g}| B(|\mathbf{g}|, \chi) \\ &\quad \times [\psi(\mathbf{v}'_1) + \psi(\mathbf{v}') - \psi(\mathbf{v}_1) - \psi(\mathbf{v})] f(\mathbf{v}) f_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{v}_1) \, d\mathbf{n} \, d\chi \, d\mathbf{v}_1 \, d\mathbf{v}. \end{aligned}$$

2. The collision operator satisfies the conservation of mass, momentum and energy:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{v} \\ |\mathbf{v}|^2 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}[f] \, d\mathbf{v} = 0.$$

3. For the spatially homogeneous equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \mathcal{L}[f],$$

the solution $f(\mathbf{v}, t)$ satisfies that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} f \log f \, d\mathbf{v} \leq 0.$$

Question 3

Consider the following spatially homogeneous BGK equations for a two-species gas mixture:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial t} &= \nu_{11}(f_{\text{eq},11} - f_1) + \nu_{12}(f_{\text{eq},12} - f_2), \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial t} &= \nu_{21}(f_{\text{eq},21} - f_1) + \nu_{22}(f_{\text{eq},22} - f_2),\end{aligned}$$

where for $i, j = 1, 2$,

$$\begin{aligned}f_{\text{eq},ij}(\mathbf{v}, t) &= n_i \left(\frac{m_i}{2\pi k_B T_{ij}(t)} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left(-\frac{m_i |\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}_{ij}(t)|^2}{2k_B T_{ij}(t)} \right), \\ \mathbf{u}_{ij} &= \frac{\rho_i \nu_{ij} \mathbf{u}_i + \rho_j \nu_{ji} \mathbf{u}_j}{\rho_i \nu_{ij} + \rho_j \nu_{ji}}, \\ T_{ij} &= \frac{n_i \nu_{ij} T_i + n_j \nu_{ji} T_j}{n_i \nu_{ij} + n_j \nu_{ji}} + \frac{\rho_i \nu_{ij} (|\mathbf{u}_i|^2 - |\mathbf{u}_{ij}|^2) + \rho_j \nu_{ji} (|\mathbf{u}_j|^2 - |\mathbf{u}_{ij}|^2)}{3(n_i \nu_{ij} + n_j \nu_{ji})}.\end{aligned}$$

The notations appearing in the equations are given as follows:

- f_i , $i = 1, 2$: The distribution function for the i th species.
- m_i , $i = 1, 2$: The mass of a single gas molecule of the i th species.
- n_i , $i = 1, 2$: The number density of gas molecules of the i th species (the integral of f_i with respect to \mathbf{v}).
- $\rho_i = m_i n_i$, $i = 1, 2$: The density of the i th species.
- \mathbf{u}_i , $i = 1, 2$: The velocity of the i th species.
- T_i , $i = 1, 2$: The temperature of the i th species.

Consider the dimensionless parameters

$$\begin{aligned}m_1 &= 1, \quad m_2 = 2, \quad k_B = 1, \\ \nu_{11} &= 1, \quad \nu_{22} = 2, \quad \nu_{12} = \nu_{21} = 3/2\end{aligned}$$

and the initial conditions

$$f_i(\mathbf{v}, 0) = n_i \left(\frac{m_i}{2\pi k_B T_i(0)} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left(-\frac{m_i |\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}_i(0)|^2}{2k_B T_i(0)} \right), \quad i = 1, 2$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}n_1 &= 2, \quad n_2 = 1, \\ \mathbf{u}_1(0) &= (-1, 0, 0)^T, \quad \mathbf{u}_2(0) = (1, 0, 0)^T, \\ T_1(0) &= 1, \quad T_2(0) = 2.\end{aligned}$$

Solve the equations numerically and write a report including a brief introduction to the numerical method and the numerical solutions at various times to show the evolution of the distribution functions.