

# THE KELLER–SEGEL EQUATION ON COMPACT SURFACES

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ABSTRACT. We study the parabolic–elliptic Keller–Segel equations on compact surfaces.  
[rest of to be completed...]

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This is the part that we will write last.

**Organization of the paper.** To be completed...

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## 2. REFORMULATION OF THE EQUATION

Let  $\Sigma$  be a smooth, closed surface with a Riemannian metric  $g$  and area form  $\omega$ . Let  $G$  be the Green operator of the Laplacian,  $\Delta$ , on  $L^2(\Sigma, g)$  and let us fix  $\varrho_0 \in L^2(\Sigma, g)$ . Note that  $L^2 \hookrightarrow L^1$  on domains of finite measure. We say that a positive function,  $\varrho \in C^1((0, T); L^2(\Sigma, g))$  is said to satisfy the *parabolic–elliptic Keller–Segel equations* on  $(\Sigma, g)$  with initial value  $\varrho_0$  if it is a solution to the following system:

$$\partial_t \varrho = -\Delta \varrho + d^*(\varrho dG(\varrho)), \quad (2.1a)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \varrho_t = \varrho_0. \quad (2.1b)$$

where for all  $t \in (0, T)$

$$\varrho_t := \varrho|_{\{t\} \times \Sigma},$$

regarded as a function in  $L^2(\Sigma, g)$ .

Now let

$$m(t) := \int_{\Sigma} \varrho_t \omega.$$

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Then  $m$  is constant, because

$$\dot{m}(t) = \int_{\Sigma} (-\Delta \varrho + d^*(\varrho dG(\varrho))) \omega = \int_{\Sigma} d^*(-d\varrho + \varrho dG(\varrho)) \omega = 0.$$

Thus we drop the  $t$ -dependence of  $m$  from its notation.

For the rest of the paper, let  $A_{\Sigma} := \text{Area}(\Sigma, g)$ . The following lemma recasts equations (2.1a) and (2.1b) in a simpler form.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\chi_0 := \varrho_0 - \frac{m}{A_{\Sigma}}$  and  $\chi := \varrho - \frac{m}{A_{\Sigma}}$ . Then equations (2.1a) and (2.1b) is equivalent to*

$$\partial_t \chi = \left( \frac{m}{A_{\Sigma}} - \Delta \right) \chi + d^*(\chi dG(\chi)), \quad (2.2a)$$

$$\chi|_{\{0\} \times \Sigma} = \chi_0. \quad (2.2b)$$

*Proof.* To be completed... □

### 3. THE ITERATION

Let now  $(\Psi_a)_{a \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a orthonormal eigenbasis of  $\Delta$  and

$$\Delta \Psi_a = \lambda_a \Psi_a.$$

Let us order this basis so that

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \lambda_a \leq \lambda_{a+1} \leq \dots$$

In particular,  $\Psi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{A_{\Sigma}}}$ .

Assume that  $\chi$  is a solution to equations (2.2a) and (2.2b) and write

$$R_a(t) := \langle \Psi_a | \chi |_{\{t\} \times \Sigma} \rangle_{L^2(\Sigma, g)}.$$

Then for each  $a \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have that  $R_a \in C^1((0, T); \mathbb{R})$ . Note that  $R_0 \equiv \frac{m}{A_{\Sigma}}$ . Finally let

$$\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}: \quad \varphi_{abc} := \int_{\Sigma} \Psi_a \Psi_b \Psi_c \omega.$$

**Theorem 3.1.** *The function  $\varrho$  is a solution to equations (2.1a) and (2.1b) exactly when the functions  $(R_a)_{a \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfy*

$$\forall t \in (0, T): \quad (R_a(t))_{a \in \mathbb{N}} \in l^2(\mathbb{N}),$$

$$\varrho_0 = \sum_{a \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} R_a(t) \right) \Psi_a,$$

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}: \quad \dot{R}_a = \left( \frac{m}{A_{\Sigma}} - \lambda_a \right) R_a + \sum_{b, c \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\lambda_a - \lambda_b + \lambda_c}{\lambda_c} \varphi_{abc} R_b R_c.$$

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