Semi-groupes, comportement en temps long, hypo-dissipativité et dissipativité faible

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Model case: the Fokker-Planck equation with weak confinement

We will mainly consider the longtime asymptotic of the solution $f = f(t, x)$, $t \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \geq 1$, to the Fokker-Planck equation

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f = \Delta f + \text{div} \ (E f) =: \mathcal{L} f
$$

for a weakly confinement vectors field

$$
E \sim x |x|^{\gamma-2} = \nabla \left( \frac{|x|^\gamma}{\gamma} \right), \quad \gamma \in (0, 1),
$$

and an initial datum in a weighted Lebesgue space

$$
f(0, .) = f_0 \in L^p_m \subset L^1.
$$

The equation is mass conservative

$$
\langle f(t, \cdot) \rangle = \langle f_0 \rangle, \quad \langle g \rangle := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g \, dx
$$

and it generates a semigroup $S_t = S_{\mathcal{L}}(t)$ which is positive

$$
S_t f_0 = f(t, \cdot) \geq 0 \quad \text{if} \quad f_0 \geq 0.
$$
Model case: stationary problem and asymptotic behaviour

**Theorem 1**

1. There exists a unique stationary state $G \geq 0$, $\langle G \rangle = 1$, $\mathcal{L}G = 0$. It is smooth and positive.
2. For any $f_0 \in L^p_m$, $\langle f_0 \rangle = 0$, there holds,

$$\|f(t, \cdot)\|_{L^p} \leq \Theta(t)\|f_0\|_{L^p_m}, \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

with

$$\Theta(t) \simeq t^{-\frac{k-k^*}{2-\gamma}}, \quad \text{if } m = \langle x \rangle^k, \quad k = k^*(E, p) = \frac{d}{p'}$$

$$\Theta(t) \simeq e^{-\lambda t^{\frac{s}{2-\gamma}}}, \quad \text{if } m = e^{\kappa \langle x \rangle^s}, \quad s \in (0, \gamma], \quad \kappa > 0.$$

3. As a consequence, for any $f_0 \in L^p(m)$, there holds,

$$\|f(t, \cdot) - \langle f_0 \rangle G\|_{L^p} \leq \Theta(t)\|f_0 - \langle f_0 \rangle G\|_{L^p_m}, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

We use the notations $\langle x \rangle := (1 + |x|^2)^{1/2}$ and $\|f\|_{L^p_m} = \|fm\|_{L^p}$ for any weight function $m : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [1, \infty)$.
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A more general setting

We want to understand the longtime asymptotic behavior

$$f(t) \quad \text{as} \quad t \to \infty$$

of the solution to an evolution equation

$$\partial_t f = \mathcal{L} f, \quad f(0) = f_0,$$

when $\mathcal{L}$ is a linear operator acting on a Banach space $X$.

We wish to establish that the semigroup $S_\mathcal{L}$, defined by $S_\mathcal{L}(t)f_0 := f(t)$, splits as

$$S_\mathcal{L}(t) = S_0(t) + S_1(t), \quad S_1(t) \text{ “simple”}, \quad S_0(t) = o(S_1(t)).$$

The simplest situation is $S_1(t) = P$ projection on $\text{N}(\mathcal{L})$ of finite dimension, and the issue is

$$\|S_\mathcal{L}(t) - P\| = \Theta(t) \to 0? \Theta?$$

For the Fokker-Planck equation, $Pf = \langle f \rangle G$, $\dim P = 1$. 
Long history and still active domain of research

- **Kinetic school**: Hilbert, Weyl, Carleman, Grad, Vidav, Ukai, Arkeryd’s school, french school, Guo’s school, chinese school, ...

- **Semigroup school**: Phillips, Dyson, Krein-Rutman, Vidav, Voigt, Engel, Nagel, Gearhart, Metz, Diekmann, Prüss, Arendt, Greiner, Blake, Webb, Mokhtar-Kharoubi, Yao, Batty, ...

- **Probability school - Markovian approach / coupling method**: Doeblin, Harris, Meyn, Tweedie, Down, Douc, Fort, Guillin, Hairer, Mattingly, Eberle, ...

- **Probability school - Functional inequalities**: Toulouse school, Rockner, Wang, Wu, Guillin, Bolley, ...

- **Spectral analysis approach**: Gallay-Wayne, Nier, Helffer, Hérau, Lerner, Burq, Lebeau, ...
The classical framework

The classical equivalent notions are coercive (in Hilbert space) / dissipative (in Banach space) operators and semigroup of contractions:

- $\mathcal{L}$ is coercive if $(\mathcal{L}f, f)_H \leq 0$, $\forall f$;
- $S_\mathcal{L}$ is a contraction if $\|S_\mathcal{L}(t)\|_{H \rightarrow H} \leq 1$.

We are rather interested here by the two equivalent more accurate estimates

- $\mathcal{L}$ is coercive if $(\mathcal{L}f, f)_H \leq a\|f\|_H^2$, $a < 0$, $\forall f \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{L})^\perp$;
- $\|S_\mathcal{L}(t) - P\|_{H \rightarrow H} \leq \Theta(t) = Ce^{at}$, $C = 1$, $a < 0$.

The classical proofs to get such estimates are

- $\mathcal{L}^* = \mathcal{L} \leq 0$ & compactness argument $\Rightarrow \Sigma(\mathcal{L}) \subset \mathbb{R}$ and discrete;
- $S_\mathcal{L} > 0$ & compactness argument $\Rightarrow \Sigma(\mathcal{L}) = \{\lambda_1\} \cup \Sigma'$, $\sup \Re \Sigma' < \lambda_1$;
- $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}$, $\mathcal{A}$ small and $\mathcal{B}$ known.

The three points give us the spectral description of $\mathcal{L}$. We get a growth description of $S_\mathcal{L}$ thanks to the spectral mapping theorem

- Alternatively, we may use Doeblin-Harris argument giving convergence under recurrence assumption.
The FP eq. with harmonic potential and beyond

These tools give satisfactory answer for the FP equation with Harmonic potential. More precisely in $X = H = L^2(G^{-1})$, $G := e^{-|x|^2/2}$, we get

$$\exists \lambda_1 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad S_1(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} P, \quad S_0(t) = \mathcal{O}(e^{at}), \quad a < \lambda_1 = 0.$$  

Around 2000’s at least four new (or more insistently) problems arise:

(1) Explicit / constructive growth estimates ?

(2) How to deal with operators $\mathcal{L} = S + T$, $S^* = S$, $T^* = -T^*$ ?

$\rightarrow$ hypocoercivity

(3) How to deal with the case without spectral gap ? $\rightarrow$ weak dissipativity

(4) How to change the functional space in which the spectral analysis / growth estimate is obtained in order to fit with the nonlinear theory ?
Some comments

(1) Exclude compactness argument but rather use robust constructive functional inequalities or tractable dynamic (semigroup) arguments. Goes back to Bakry-Emery $\Gamma_2$ theory?

(2) Hypocoercivity: change (by twisting) the norm in order that $\mathcal{L}$ is coercive/dissipative or equivalently accept (in the spectral gap case)

$$\Theta(t) = Ce^{at}, \quad C > 1.$$ 

New name (and new techniques) but quite old idea!

(3) Weak dissipativity: Use two (in fact at least three) norms and $\Theta$ does not decay exponentially fast. Motivated by
- Landau equation for Coulomb interaction (Guo-Strain, Carrapatoso-M., ...)
- Damped wave equation (Lebeau, Burq, Lerner, Léautaud, Anantharaman, ...)
- Free transport equation with Maxwellian reflexion (Aoki-Golse, ...)

(4) Explicit (basis decomposition) for Boltzmann (Bobylev) and harmonic FP (Gallay-Wayne). Abstract version (Mouhot, Gualdani-M.-Mouhot) based on a splitting $\mathcal{L} = A + B$, the (iterated) Duhamel formula

$$S_{\mathcal{L}} = S_B + S_{\mathcal{L}} \ast (AS_B) = S_B + ... + S_{\mathcal{L}} \ast (AS_B)^{(\ast n)},$$

providing that $(AS_B)^{(\ast n)}$ has some smoothing property.
Outline of the talk

• Constructive rate of convergence through weak Poincaré inequality ($L^2$ approach)
• Existence of steady state under subgeometric Lyapunov condition [*ergodic theorem of Birkhoff-Von Neuman*]
• Constructive rate of convergence under Doeblin-Harris condition ($L^1$ approach)
• Perspective: weakly hypodissipativity equations

▶ Natural PDE formulations / simple deterministic proofs
▶ All these results use a splitting structure:

\[ \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}, \quad \mathcal{A} \prec \mathcal{B}, \quad \mathcal{B} \text{ weakly dissipative,} \]

and in particular, the subgeometric Foster-Lyapunov condition

\[ \mathcal{L}^* w \leq -\xi + b1_{\text{ball}}, \quad \xi \ll w \]

(geometric Lyapunov condition corresponds to $\xi \sim w$)
Vocabulary / notations

- Positive semigroup $\approx$ weak maximum principle $\approx$ Kato’s inequality

- steady state $=$ invariance measure

- spectral gap $=$ geometric Lyapunov condition
  no spectral gap $\approx$ subgeometric Lyapunov condition

- strong positivity $\approx$ strong maximum principle $\approx$ Doeblin-Harris recurrent condition

- A possible definition of weakly coercivity is
  \[ (\mathcal{L}f, f)_H \leq a\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2, \quad a < 0, \quad \mathcal{H} \not\subset H, \]
  but I do not know any kind of equivalent characterization in terms of semigroup decay.

- We define the convolution
  \[ (U \ast V)(t) = \int_0^t U(t - s)V(s)ds. \]
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Theorem 1 is true. (Toscani-Villani 00, Rochner-Wang 01, Bakry-Cattiaux-Guillin 08, Kavian-M.)

The proof is based on 4 ideas.

**Idea 1.** We can prove the estimate for one value of \( p \in [1, \infty] \) and \( m \). Here \( p = 2 \) and \( m = G^{-1-\epsilon} \). In the next part, we will choose \( p = 1 \).

**Idea 2.** Subgeometric Lyapunov condition. When \( p = 1 \), it is nothing but

\[
\mathcal{L}^* m \leq -\nu |x|^{s+\gamma-2} m + b 1_{B_R},
\]

with \( m = \langle x \rangle^k \ (s = 0) \) and \( m = \exp(\kappa \langle x \rangle^s) \). Here \( b, R, \nu > 0 \) are constants.

**Idea 3.** Dissipation by local Poincaré inequality. In the next part, dissipation is given by the Doeblin-Harris recurrente condition.

**Idea 4.** A system of differential inequalities + interpolation (in contrast with the only one differential inequality in the spectral gap case).
Elements of proof of (2) - potential case - Step 1

We assume $E = \nabla V$, $G = e^{-V}$, $V = |x|^\gamma / \gamma$. We fix $f \in L^2(G^{-1})$, $\langle f \rangle = 0$.

\[
\int (\mathcal{L}f) f G^{-1} = - \int |\nabla (f/G)|^2 G \\
= - \int |\nabla (f/G^{1/2})|^2 + \int f^2 G^{-1} \psi \quad \text{(Idea 2)}
\]

with $\psi \lesssim -|\nabla V|^2 + 1_{B_R}$. Be careful with $|\nabla V|^2 \sim |x|^{2(\gamma - 1)} \to 0$ as $x \to \infty$.

Both together, with $h = f / G$, we get

\[
\int h^2 |\nabla V|^2 G \lesssim \int |\nabla h|^2 G + \int_{B_R} h^2 G
\]

We use Poincaré-Wirtinger inequality (Idea 3) in order to bound the red color term

\[
\int_{B_R} h^2 G \lesssim \int_{B_R} |\nabla h|^2 G + \left( \int_{B_R} hG \right)^2 \\
= \int_{B_R} |\nabla h|^2 G + \left( \int_{B_R^c} hG \right)^2 \\
\lesssim \int_{B_R} |\nabla h|^2 G + \int_{B_R^c} h^2 |\nabla V|^2 G \int_{B_R^c} |\nabla V|^{-2} G \to 0 \text{ as } R \to \infty.
\]
Elements of proof of (2) - potential case - End of Step 1

All together and for $R$ large enough, we get the weak Poincaré inequality

$$
\int h^2 |\nabla V|^2 G \lesssim \int |\nabla h|^2 G
$$

or equivalently

$$
\int f^2 |\nabla V|^2 G^{-1} \lesssim (\mathcal{L}f, f)_{L^2(G^{-1})}
$$

The consequence on the solution to the FP equation is the differential inequality

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \int f^2 G^{-1} \lesssim - \int f^2 |\nabla V|^2 G^{-1}
$$

- When $\gamma \geq 1$, then $|\nabla V|^2 \gtrsim 1$, and we may close the equation on the above quantity (denoted by $u$), namely

$$
\frac{d}{dt} u \leq au, \quad a < 0, \quad \Rightarrow \quad u(t) \leq e^{at} u_0.
$$

- When $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ we need another information
Elements of proof of (2) - potential case - Step 2

We may prove the additional bound

\[ (A) \quad \int (f_t/G)^p G \leq \int (f_0/G)^p G, \quad \forall p \in [1, \infty], \text{ take } p > 2; \]
as well as

\[ (B) \quad \int f_t^2 m^2 \leq C \int f_0^2 m^2, \quad \forall f_0 \in L_m^2. \]

As a consequence, we have

\[
\begin{cases}
  u_1' \lesssim -u_0, & u_2 \lesssim u_2(0) \\
  \text{(C)} \quad u_1 \lesssim u_0^{1+\alpha} u_2^{\frac{1}{1+\alpha}} \quad \text{or (D)} \quad u_1 \lesssim \varepsilon_R^{-1} u_0 + \eta_R u_2,
\end{cases}
\]

with \( \alpha > 0, \varepsilon_R, \eta_R \to 0 \) as \( R \to \infty \).

- In case (C), we then have

\[ u_1' \lesssim -u_1^{1+1/\alpha} u_2(0)^{-1/\alpha} \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_1 \lesssim \frac{u_2(0)}{t^\alpha}. \]

- In case (D), we then have

\[ u_1' \lesssim -\varepsilon_R u_1 + \varepsilon_R \eta_R u_2(0) \quad \Rightarrow \quad u_1 \lesssim \Theta(t) u_2(0), \quad \Theta(t) := \inf_R \{ e^{-\varepsilon_R t} + \eta_R \}. \]
Elements of proof of (2) - potential case - Step 2 (A), (B), (C), (D)

• We get (A) by writing the FP equation in gradient flow form

\[ \partial_t f = \text{div}(G \nabla (f/G)), \]

from what we have

\[
\frac{1}{p} \frac{d}{dt} \int (f/G)^p G = - \int G \nabla (f/G)^{p-1} \cdot \nabla (f/G) \leq 0
\]

• The proof of (B) is more tricky. It is similar to the Step 4 (4th idea) about the change of functional space.

• To prove (D), we write

\[
\int f^2 G^{-1} \leq R^{2(1-\gamma)} \int_{B_R} f^2 G^{-1} |\nabla V|^2 + \|f/G\|_{L^\infty}^2 \int_{B_R^c} G |\nabla V|^2.
\]

• From a rough version of (D) we deduce (C) by optimising over \( R \in (0, \infty) \).
Elements of proof of (2) - general case - Step 3

We assume (in particular, that we have yet established point (1) in Theorem 1)

\[ x \cdot E \sim |x|^\gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \exists! G \text{ stationary state, } G \sim e^{-|x|^\gamma}. \]

We observe that for any weight function* \( W : \mathbb{R}^d \to [1, \infty] \) we have

\[ D[f] := \int (-Lh)hWG = \int |\nabla h|^2 GW - \frac{1}{2} \int h^2 (L^*W)G. \]

For the choice \( W := w + \lambda^* \) with \( w \) a Lyapunov function associated to \( L \) in the sense that

\[ L^*w \leq -\xi + b1_{U_0}, \]

for \( \xi \simeq |x|^{s+\gamma-2} w \), the same computation as in the potential case leads to

\[ \int |\nabla h|^2 GW^* - \frac{1}{2} \int h^2 (L^*W)G \geq \frac{1}{4} \int |\nabla h|^2 G\xi \]

for some \( \lambda > 0 \) large enough. We immediately deduce our first differential inequality

\[ \frac{d}{dt} \int f^2 W G^{-1} \leq -\frac{1}{4} \int f^2 \xi G^{-1}. \]

* modified norm \( \simeq \) “hypodissipativity trick”
Elements of proof of (2) - general case - Step 4

• $L^2$ estimate from mass conservation. We split

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}, \quad \mathcal{A} := M \chi(x/R), \quad 1_{B(0,1)} \leq \chi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d),$$

we use iterated Duhamel formula

$$S_{\mathcal{L}} = S_{\mathcal{B}} + \ldots + (S_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{A})^{(*n)} \ast S_{\mathcal{L}}$$

and we have to prove $S_{\mathcal{B}} : L^p(m_2) \to L^p(m_1)$ with decay $\Theta \in L^1_t, m_1 \ll m_2$, and $(S_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{A})^{(*n)}$ has some smoothing property (by Nash technique), namely $(S_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{A})^{(*n)} : L^1(m_1) \to L^2$.

• $L^p$ decay from $L^2$ decay. We use the iterated Duhamel formula

$$S_{\mathcal{L}} = S_{\mathcal{B}} + \ldots + S_{\mathcal{L}} \ast (A S_{\mathcal{B}})^{(*n)}$$

and $(A S_{\mathcal{B}})^{(*n)} : L^p(m_2) \to L^2(G^{-1})$ if $p < 2$.

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and $(S_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{A})^{(*n)} : L^2(G^{-1}) \to L^p$ if $p > 2$. 
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**(H1) Subgeometric Lyapunov condition.** There are two weight functions \( m_0, m_1 : E = \mathbb{R}^d \to [1, \infty), \) \( m_1 \geq m_0, \) \( m_0(x) \to \infty \) as \( x \to \infty \), and two real constants \( b, R > 0 \) such that

\[
\mathcal{L}^* m_1 \leq -m_0 + b 1_{B_R}.
\]

**Theorem 2** Douc, Fort, Guillin ? deterministic proof by Cañizo, M.

Any Feller-Markov semigroup \((S_t)\) which fulfills the above Lyapunov condition has at least one invariant borelian measure \( G \in M^1(m_0) \).

**Remark.**

- \( m_0 = m_1 \) : geometric Lyapunov condition = spectral gap
  (the result is true, the proof is simpler)
- Feller-Markov semigroup acts on \( C_0(E) \) and \( S_t := (S_L^*(t))^* \).
Idea of the proof - splitting

We introduce the splitting

\[ A := b1_{B_R}, \quad B := \mathcal{L} - A. \]

We observe that \( S_B \) is a submarkovian semigroup and

\[ 0 \leq S_B \in L^\infty_t(\mathcal{B}(M^1(m_i))); \quad \int_0^\infty \| S_B(t)f_0 \|_{M^1(m_0)} dt \leq \| f_0 \|_{M^1(m_1)}. \]

We write the Duhamel formula

\[ S_{\mathcal{L}} = S_B + S_B * AS_{\mathcal{L}}, \]

and we consider the associated Cezaro means

\[ U_T := \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S_{\mathcal{L}} dt, \quad V_T := \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S_B dt, \quad W_T := \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S_B * AS_{\mathcal{L}} dt. \]
Idea of the proof - Birkhoff, Von Neuman ergodic theorem

We define $X := M^1(m_0)$, $0 \leq f_0 \in X$, $\langle f_0 \rangle = 1$, and we observe that

$$\| V_T \|_{X \to X} := \frac{1}{T} \left\| \int_0^T S_B \, dt \right\|_{X \to X} \leq 1$$

On the other hand, by Fubini and positivity

$$\| W_T f_0 \|_{M^1(m_0)} = \left\| \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S_B(\tau) \int_0^{T-\tau} A S_L(s) f_0 \, d\tau \, ds \right\|_{M^1(m_0)}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{T} \int_0^\infty \left\| S_B(\tau) \int_0^T A S_L(s) \, ds f_0 \right\|_{M^1(m_0)} \, d\tau$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{T} \left\| \int_0^T A S_L(s) \, ds f_0 \right\|_{M^1(m_0)} \leq C_A \| f_0 \|_{M^1(m_0)}.$$ 

We deduce $U_{T_k} f_0 \to G$ weakly and $G$ satisfies $L G = 0$ because for any $s > 0$:

$$S_L(s) G - G = \lim_{k \to \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{T_k} \int_0^{T_k} S_L(s) S_L(t) f_0 \, dt - \frac{1}{T_k} \int_0^{T_k} S_L(t) f_0 \, dt \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{1}{T_k} \left\{ \int_{T_k}^{T_k+s} S_L(\tau) f_0 \, d\tau - \int_0^s S_L(t) f_0 \, dt \right\} = 0.$$
Coming back to Theorem 1 (1)

Let us denote by $G$ the steady state for the Fokker-Planck equation provided by Theorem 2 under the general assumption $x \cdot E \sim |x|^\gamma, \gamma \in (0, 1)$.

• Thanks to a bootstrap argument: $G$ is smooth, or at least a bit smoother than $E$, and in any cases $G \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ for any $p \in [1, \infty)$.

• From Step 4 in the proof of Theorem 1 (2), we get

$$G \leq e^{-\kappa_1 |x|^\gamma}, \kappa_1 > 0.$$ 

• Because of the strong maximum principle, we have $G > 0$. More accurately, using a comparison to a subsolution technique, we have

$$G \geq e^{-\kappa_1 |x|^\gamma}, \kappa_2 > 0.$$
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$$\mathcal{L}^* m_1 \leq -m_0 + b 1_{B_R}.$$

**(H2) Doeblin-Harris condition.** $\exists T > 0 \ \forall R > 0 \ \exists \nu \geq 0, \neq 0$, such that

$$S_T g \geq \nu \int_{B_R} g, \quad \forall g \in X_+.$$

**(H3) There are two other weight functions** $m_2, m_3 : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [1, \infty)$, $m_3 \geq m_2 \geq m_1$ such that

$$\mathcal{L}^* m_i \leq -m_0 + b 1_{B_R}$$

and $m_2 \leq m_0^\theta m_3^{1-\theta}$ with $\theta \in (1/2, 1]$. 
**Theorem 3**  Douc, Fort, Guillin, Hairer, deterministic proof by Cañizo, M.

Consider a Markov semigroup $S$ on $X := L^1(m_2)$ which satisfies (H1), (H2), (H3). There holds

$$\|S_t f_0\|_{L^1} \lesssim \Theta(t) \|f_0\|_{L^1(m_2)}, \quad \forall \ t \geq 0, \ \forall f_0 \in X, \ \langle f_0 \rangle = 0,$$

for the function $\Theta$ given by

$$\Theta(t) := \inf_{\lambda > 0} \{ e^{-\varepsilon \lambda t} + \xi \lambda \},$$

where

$$m_1 \leq \frac{1}{2\varepsilon \lambda} m_0 + \eta_\lambda m_2, \quad \forall \ \lambda, \ \varepsilon_\lambda, \eta_\lambda \to 0 \text{ as } \lambda \to \infty.$$
For the Fokker-Planck equation, assumption (H2) can be proved in a similar way (maybe a bit more tricky) as for the lower bound in Theorem 1 (1).

The assumption (H3) is not necessary: \( m_1 \) satisfies a Lyapounov condition implies that \( \phi(m_1) \) satisfies a Lyapounov condition for any \( \phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \) concave.

The probabilistic proof use Martingale argument, renewal theory and (if possible?) constants are not easily tractable.

In the probabilistic result, one writes \( m_0 = \xi(m_1), \xi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \) concave, and

\[
\tilde{\Theta}(t) := \frac{C}{\xi(H^{-1}(t))}, \quad H(u) := \int_{1}^{u} \frac{ds}{\xi(s)}. \]

- If \( \xi(s) = s \) then \( \tilde{\Theta}(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \);
- If \( m_1 = \langle x \rangle^k, m_0 := \langle x \rangle^{k+\gamma-2} \) then \( \tilde{\Theta}(t) = t^{1-\frac{k}{2-\gamma}} \gg \Theta(t) \);
- If \( m_1 = e^{\kappa \langle x \rangle^s}, m_0 := \langle x \rangle^{s+\gamma-2} e^{\kappa \langle x \rangle^s} \) then \( \tilde{\Theta}(t) \sim e^{-\lambda t^{\frac{s}{2-\gamma}}} \sim \Theta(t) \).
Contraction and strict contraction

Rk 1. Assuming just that \((S_t)\) is a Markov semigroup, we have
\[
|S_t f| = |S_t f_+ - S_t f_-| \leq |S_t f_+| + |S_t f_-| = S_t |f|.
\]
Integrating, we deduce that \((S_t)\) is a \(L^1\) contraction
\[
\int |S_t f| \leq \int S_t |f| = \int |f| S^*_t 1 = \int |f|.
\]

Rk 2. We assume furthermore the strong Doeblin-Harris condition:
\[
(H2') \quad \exists T, \exists \nu, \quad S_T g \geq \nu \int \mathbb{R}^d g, \quad \forall g \in X_+.
\]
For \(f \in L^1, \langle f \rangle = 0\), we have
\[
S_T f_\pm \geq \nu \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_\pm = \frac{\nu}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f| =: \eta.
\]
We may adapt the proof in Rk 1 in the following way
\[
|S_T f| = |S_T f_+ - \eta - (S_T f_- - \eta)| \leq |S_T f_+ - \eta| + |S_T f_- - \eta| = S_T |f| - 2\eta.
\]
Integrating, we deduce that \((S_T)\) is a strict contraction
\[
\|S_T f\|_{L^1} \leq \|f\|_{L^1} - 2\|\eta\|_{L^1} = (1 - \langle \nu \rangle) \|f\|_{L^1}
\]
Rk 3. Assuming (H2), we have similarly

\[ \int |S_T f| \leq \theta \int |f| \quad \text{if} \quad \int |f|m_0 \leq \frac{m_0(R)}{4} \int |f|, \]

with

\[ \theta := 1 - \langle \nu \rangle / 2 \in (0, 1). \]

Indeed, we mainly observe that

\[ S_T f_\pm \geq \nu \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f_\pm - \nu \int_{B_R^c} f_\pm \]

\[ \geq \frac{\nu}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f| - \nu \int_{B_R^c} |f| \]

\[ \geq \frac{\nu}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f| - \frac{\nu}{m_0(R)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f|m_0 \]

\[ \geq \frac{\nu}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f| - \frac{\nu}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f| \]

\[ = \frac{\nu}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f|, \]

and we then follow the same proof as when we have assumed (H2').
Step 2. $S_T$ is bounded in $L^1(m_2)$

We fix $f_0 \in L^1(m_3)$, we denote $f_{Bt} := S_B(t)f_0$. From (H1) and (H3), we have

\[
\frac{d}{dt} \|f_{Bt}\|_{m_3} \leq -\|f_{Bt}\|_{m_0} \leq 0 \\
\frac{d}{dt} \|f_{Bt}\|_{m_2} \leq -\|f_{Bt}\|_{m_0} \leq -\|f_{Bt}\|_{m_2}^{1/\theta} \|f_0\|_{m_3}^{1-1/\theta} \leq 0
\]

so that $t \mapsto \|f_{Bt}\|_{m_2} \lesssim \langle t \rangle^{-\frac{\theta}{1-\theta}} \|f_0\|_{m_3} \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_+)$.

Using the splitting

\[S_L = S_B + S_B \ast AS_L\]

and the $L^1$ contraction, we deduce

\[\|S_L(t)f_0\|_{m_2} \leq M_2 \|f_0\|_{m_2}.\]
Step 3. An alternative

We set \( t_{n+1} \simeq t_n + T \), \( A := m_0(R)/4 \geq 2b \) and we have the following alternative:

- Or \( \exists t \in [t_n, t_n + T), \int |f_t|m_0 \leq A \int |f_t| \)

and assuming \( t := t_n \) (to make the discussion simpler) we get from the variant of Doeblin-Harris contraction argument (using (H2) assumption)

\[
\int |f_{t_{n+1}}| \leq \theta \int |f_{t_n}|
\]

- Or \( \forall t \in [t_n, t_n + T), \int |f_t|m_0 \geq A \int |f_t|, \)

and we simply compute (thanks to assumption (H2) and (H3))

\[
\frac{d}{dt} \int |f|m_1 \leq b \int |f| - \int |f|m_0 \\
\leq -\frac{1}{2} \int |f|m_0 \leq -\varepsilon \lambda \int |f|m_1 + \varepsilon \lambda \eta \lambda C \int |f_0|m_2.
\]

We deduce

\[
\int |f_{t_{n+1}}|m_1 \leq e^{-\varepsilon \lambda T} \int |f_{t_n}|m_1 + (1 - e^{-\varepsilon \lambda T}) \eta \lambda C \int |f_0|m_2.
\]
Step 4. Conclusion

We define
\[ \|f\|_\beta := \|f\|_{L^1} + \beta \|f\|_{m_1}^*, \quad \beta > 0. \]

In both cases and for \( \beta > 0 \) small enough*, we have
\[ \|f_{t+1}\|_\beta \leq e^{-\varepsilon \lambda T} \|f_t\|_\beta + (1 - e^{-\varepsilon \lambda T}) \eta \lambda C \int |f_0| m_2. \]

After iteration, we deduce
\[ \|f_t\|_\beta \leq e^{-\varepsilon \lambda t} \|f_0\|_\beta + (1 - e^{-\varepsilon \lambda t}) \eta \lambda C \int |f_0| m_2. \]
\[ \leq [e^{-\varepsilon \lambda t} + \eta \lambda] C_\beta \|f_0\|_{L^1(m_2)}. \]

* modified norm \( \simeq \) “hypodissipativity trick”
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- Kinetic Fokker-Planck equation with weak confinement. C. Cao (phD U. Paris-Dauphine) by twisting $H^1$ norm technique (Villani) and micro-macro decomposition (Hérau, Dolbeault-Mouhot-Schmeiser).

- Age structured equation: Cañizo,Yoldas by using Theorem 3 above.

- Relaxation equation with weak confinement. Cañizo, Cao, ... by using Theorem 3 above.

- Free transport equation with Maxwellian reflexion (in general domain) A. Bernou (phD U. Paris-Dauphine & Sorbonne U.) using coupling method (I have not spoken about in this talk)

- What about the inelastic Boltzmann equation with very weak confinement force with possible application to the stability of Saturn’s rings??