

# Lyapunov theory in analysis of nonlinear partial differential equations

Seminar talk



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### Theorem (Exponential convergence)

Assume in addition  $V(x) \leq c'W(x)$  and  $V$  is quadratic ( $V(x) = x^T \mathbf{V}x$ ), then

$$V(x(t)) \leq V(x_0)e^{-ct/c'}, \quad t > 0 \quad \text{and } x(t) \text{ converges exponentially to } x_E.$$

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- Maxwell equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho/\epsilon_0, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0,$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t},$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \mathbf{J}.$$





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Other evolution equations (nonlinear):

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta(u^m), \quad \text{porus medium equation,}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u), \quad \text{parabolic } p\text{-Laplace equation,}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \operatorname{div}(u^\beta \nabla \Delta u), \quad \text{thin-film equation.}$$

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Applications of entropy production inequalities:

- existence of solutions, long-time behaviour, positivity, numerical schemes, ...

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$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u &= \operatorname{div}(u \nabla (A + V)), \\ u(t; x) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\hbar)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \operatorname{Exp} \left( A(t; x) - \frac{|p|^2}{2} \right) dp, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, t > 0.\end{aligned}$$

[  $A$  - quantum chemical potential,  $\operatorname{Exp}(a) = W(\exp(W^{-1}(a)))$  - quantum exponential;  
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[1D version, Jüngel and Milišić '09.]

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$$\dot{v}_i = (\alpha - \beta|v_i|^2)v_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j \neq i} \nabla U(|x_i - x_j|),$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ ;  $U : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  - Morse potential given by

$$U(|x|) = -C_A e^{-|x|/l_A} + C_R e^{-|x|/l_R}.$$



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3. Hydrodynamic models - from the kinetic model with additional assumptions:

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$$\rho \partial_t u_i + \operatorname{div}(\rho u u_i) = \rho(\alpha - \beta |u|^2) u_i - \rho(\partial_{x_i} U * \rho),$$

where  $\rho(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(t, x, v) dv$  and  $\rho u = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(t, x, v) v dv$ .

Thank you for your attention!

Hvala na pažnji!