

Abstract. Spectral theory of a transport equation with elastic and inelastic collision operators .

We are concerned with the time asymptotic behavior of the solution to the following Cauchy problem for partly elastic collisions operators, that is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t}(x, v, t) = & -v \cdot \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}(x, v, t) - \sigma(v)\varphi(x, v, t) + \int_V k_c(x, v, v')\varphi(x, v', t)dv' \\
 & + \sum_{j=1}^l \int_{\mathbb{S}^{N-1}} k_d^j(x, \rho_j, \omega, \omega')\varphi(x, \rho_j\omega', t)d\omega' \\
 (1) \quad & + \int_{\mathbb{S}^{N-1}} k_e(x, \rho, \omega, \omega')\phi(x, \rho\omega', t)d\omega'
 \end{aligned}$$

with the initial distribution

$$(2) \quad \varphi(x, v, 0) = \varphi_0(x, v).$$

and we restrict our selves to periodic boundary conditions, that is,

$$(3) \quad \varphi(x, v, t) |_{x_i=-a_i} = \varphi(x, v, t) |_{x_i=a_i},$$

where $\Omega = \prod_{i=1}^N (-a_i, a_i)$, $a_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, N$, is an open paved of \mathbb{R}^N . The set $V \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, is called the space of admissible velocities, $v = \rho\omega \in V =: I \times \mathbb{S}^{N-1}$ with $\omega \in \mathbb{S}^{N-1}$, $\rho \in I := (\rho_{\min}, \rho_{\max})$ and $\mu(\cdot)$ is a positive Radon measure on \mathbb{R}^N , we denote by V the support of μ . The function $\varphi(x, v, t)$ represents the number density of gas particles having the position x and the velocity v at time t . The function $\sigma(\cdot)$ is called the collision frequency and the functions $k_c(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$, $k_e(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$ and $k_d^j(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$, $j = 1, \dots, l$, denote the scattering kernels of the operators K_c , K_e and $K_d = \sum_{j=1}^l K_d^j$ (called classical, elastic and inelastic collision operators respectively).

The purpose of this work is to extend the results obtained in [1, 2, 3] to periodic boundary conditions.

We shall prove that the second order remainder term, $R_2(t)$ of the Dyson-Philips expansion is compact on $L^p(\Omega \times V, dx d\mu(v))$, ($1 \leq p < \infty$). As an immediate consequence of the result of the compactness, we have

$$(4) \quad \omega_{ess}(e^{t(T_p + K_c + K_e + K_d)}) = \omega_{ess}(e^{t(T_p + K_e + K_d)}).$$

Equality (4) is of fundamental importance to describe the analysis of the asymptotic behaviour ($t \rightarrow \infty$) of the solution.

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