Structure and Computation of Magnetofluid and Other Matter Models

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<u>Survey</u> Hamiltonian structure of matter models; viz. magnetofluids and Vlasov. Describe GEMPIC a Poisson integrator.

Overview

- Hamiltonian Structure. Background material.
- Extended MHD. Aesthetically pleasing.
- Vlasov Computation. Pleasing and practical.

Über die Ausbreitung von Wellen in einem Plasma

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+ \frac{1}{m} \left\{ m_{e} n_{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{n_{i}} \right) + m_{i} n_{e} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{n_{e}} \right) \right\} \tag{2.13}$$

und

$$N_{2} \equiv \frac{e}{m} \left\{ m_{e} n_{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{n_{e}}{n_{i}} \right) - m_{i} n_{e} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{n_{i}}{n_{e}} \right) \right\} \boldsymbol{v} + \frac{e \varrho^{2}}{m^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{n_{i}} - \frac{1}{n_{e}} \right) (\boldsymbol{v} \text{ grad}) \boldsymbol{v} + \frac{e \varrho}{m} \left\{ \boldsymbol{v} \text{ grad} \left(m_{e} \frac{n_{e}}{n_{i}} - m_{i} \frac{n_{i}}{n_{e}} \right) \right\} \boldsymbol{v} + \frac{1}{m^{2}} \left\{ \boldsymbol{j} \text{ grad} \left(m_{e} \frac{n_{e}}{n_{i}} + m_{i}^{2} \frac{n_{i}}{n_{e}} \right) \right\} \boldsymbol{v}. \quad (2.14)$$

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Hamilton's Equations

Canonical Momentum: $p_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}^i} \leftarrow \text{inverse function theorem}$ Legendre Transform: $H(q,p) = p_i \dot{q}^i - L(\dot{q},q)$

$$\dot{p}_i = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q^i}, \qquad \dot{q}^i = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i},$$

Phase Space Coordinates: $z = (q, p), \quad \alpha, \beta = 1, 2, ..., 2N$

$$\dot{z}^{\alpha} = J_c^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial H}{\partial z^{\beta}} = \{ z^{\alpha}, H \}, \qquad (J_c^{\alpha\beta}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0_N & I_N \\ -I_N & 0_N \end{pmatrix},$$

 $J_c := \underline{\text{Poisson tensor}}$, Hamiltonian bi-vector, cosymplectic form symplectic 2-form = (cosymplectic form)⁻¹: $\omega_{\alpha\beta}^c J_c^{\beta\gamma} = \delta_{\alpha}^{\gamma}$,

Noncanonical Hamiltonian Definition

A phase space \mathcal{P} diff. manifold with binary bracket operation on $C^{\infty}(\mathcal{P})$ functions $f, g: \mathcal{P} \to \mathbb{R}$, s.t. $\{\cdot, \cdot\}: C^{\infty}(\mathcal{P}) \times C^{\infty}(\mathcal{P}) \to C^{\infty}(\mathcal{P})$ satisfies

- Bilinear: $\{f + \lambda g, h\} = \{f, h\} + \lambda \{g, h\}, \quad \forall f, g, h \text{ and } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$
- Antisymmetric: $\{f,g\} = -\{g,f\}, \quad \forall f,g$
- Jacobi: $\{f, \{g, h\}\} + \{g, \{h, f\}\} + \{h, \{F, g\}\} \equiv 0, \quad \forall f, g, h$
- Leibniz: $\{fg,h\} = f\{g,h\} + \{f,h\}g$, $\forall f,g,h$.

Above is a Lie algebra realization on functions. Take fg to be pointwise multiplication.

Eqs. Motion: $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \{\Psi, H\}$, Ψ an observable & H a Hamiltonian. Example: flows on Poisson manifolds, e.g. Weinstein 1983

Noncanonical Hamiltonian Dynamics

Sophus Lie (1890)

Noncanonical Coordinates:

$$\dot{z}^{\alpha} = J^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial H}{\partial z^{\beta}} = \{z^{\alpha}, H\}, \quad \{f, g\} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^{\alpha}} J^{\alpha\beta}(z) \frac{\partial g}{\partial z^{\beta}}, \quad \alpha, \beta = 1, 2, \dots M$$
Poisson Bracket Properties:

antisymmetry $\longrightarrow \{f, g\} = -\{g, f\},\$

Jacobi identity $\longrightarrow \{f, \{g, h\}\} + \{g, \{h, f\}\} + \{h, \{f, g\}\} = 0$

G. Darboux: $detJ \neq 0 \implies J \rightarrow J_c$ Canonical Coordinates Sophus Lie: $detJ = 0 \implies$ Canonical Coordinates plus <u>Casimirs</u>

$$J \to J_d = \begin{pmatrix} 0_N & I_N & 0\\ -I_N & 0_N & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0_{M-2N} \end{pmatrix}$$

Poisson Manifold \mathcal{M} Cartoon

Degeneracy in $J \Rightarrow$ Casimirs: $\{f, C\} = 0 \quad \forall f : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Lie-Darboux Foliation by Casimir (symplectic) leaves:



Leaf vector fields, $Z_f = \{z, f\} = Jdf$ are tangent to leaves.

Lie-Poisson Brackets

Coordinates:

$$J^{\alpha\beta} = c_{\gamma}^{\alpha\beta} z^{\gamma}$$

where $c_{\gamma}^{\alpha\beta}$ are the structure constants for some Lie algebra. Examples:

- 3-dimensional Bianchi algebras for free rigid body, Kida vortex,
 & rattleback toy.
- Infinite-dimensional theories matter models: Ideal fluid flow, MHD, shearflow, extended MHD, Vlasov-Maxwell, BBGKY, etc.

Magnetohydrodynamics (MHD)

Equations of Motion:

Energy:

$$H = \int_D d^3x \, \left(\frac{1}{2}\rho |v|^2 + \rho U(\rho, s) + \frac{1}{2}|B|^2\right)$$

Thermodynamics:

$$p = \rho^2 \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} \qquad \qquad s = \frac{\partial U}{\partial s}$$

Noncanonical Lie-Poisson Bracket (pjm & Greene 1980):

$$\{F,G\} = -\int_{D} d^{3}x \left[M_{i} \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta M_{j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \frac{\delta G}{\delta M_{i}} - \frac{\delta G}{\delta M_{j}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{j}} \frac{\delta F}{\delta M_{i}} \right) \right. \\ + \rho \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta G}{\delta \rho} - \frac{\delta G}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \rho} \right) + \sigma \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta G}{\delta \sigma} - \frac{\delta G}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \sigma} \right) \\ + \left. B \cdot \left[\frac{\delta F}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta G}{\delta B} - \frac{\delta G}{\delta M} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta B} \right] \\ + \left. B \cdot \left[\nabla \left(\frac{\delta F}{\delta M} \right) \cdot \frac{\delta G}{\delta B} - \nabla \left(\frac{\delta G}{\delta M} \right) \cdot \frac{\delta F}{\delta B} \right] \right],$$

Dynamics:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \{\rho, H\}, \quad \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} = \{s, H\}, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \{v, H\}, \text{ and } \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = \{B, H\}.$$

Densities:

$$M := \rho v \qquad \qquad \sigma := \rho s$$

Casimir Invariants

Helicities are Casimir Invariants:

$$\{F, C\}^{MHD} = 0 \quad \forall \text{ functionals } F.$$

Casimirs Invariants (helicities):

$$C_B = \int d^3x \, \boldsymbol{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{A}, \qquad C_V = \int d^3x \, \boldsymbol{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{v}$$

Topological content, linking etc.

Cf. William Irvine, ...

Extended MHD (XMHD)

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Momentum:

$$\rho\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + (V \cdot \nabla)V\right) = -\nabla p + J \times B$$
$$-d_e^2 J \cdot \nabla\left(\frac{J}{\rho}\right)$$

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Two parameters, $d_e = \frac{c}{\omega_{p_e}L}$ measures electron inertia and $d_i = \frac{c}{\omega_{p_i}L}$ accounts for current carried by electrons mostly

Energy Conservation

Candidate Hamiltonian:

$$H = \int d^3x \left[\rho \frac{|V|^2}{2} + \rho U(\rho) + \frac{|B|^2}{2} + d_e^2 \frac{|J|^2}{2\rho} \right]$$

Kimura and pjm 2014 on energy conservation

H is conserved. Pressure, $p = \rho^2 \partial U / \partial \rho$.

What is the Poisson bracket? Casimirs? Helicities?

XMHD Hamiltonian Structure

Yoshida, Abdelhamid, Kawazura, pjm, Lingam, Miloshevich, D'Avignon

Poisson Bracket:

$$\{F,G\}^{XMHD} = \{F,G\}^{MHD} + d_e^2 \int_D d^3x \left[\frac{\nabla \times \mathbf{V}}{\rho} \cdot \left(\left(\nabla \times F_{\mathbf{B}^\star} \right) \times \left(\nabla \times G_{\mathbf{B}^\star} \right) \right) \right] + d_i \int_D d^3x \frac{\mathbf{B}^\star}{\rho} \cdot \left[\left(\nabla \times F_{\mathbf{B}}^\star \right) \times \left(\nabla \times G_{\mathbf{B}}^\star \right) \right]$$

where we introduce the 'inertial' magnetic field

$$\mathbf{B}^{\star} = \mathbf{B} + d_e^2 \, \nabla \times \left(\frac{\nabla \times \mathbf{B}}{\rho} \right) \,,$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H = \int_D d^3x \left[\frac{\rho |\mathbf{V}|^2}{2} + \rho U(\rho) + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}^*}{2} \right] \,.$$

XMHD Hamiltonian Structure (cont)

Casimirs;

$$C_{XMHD}^{\pm} = \int_D d^3x \, \left(\mathbf{V} + \lambda_{\pm} \mathbf{A}^* \right) \cdot \left(\nabla \times \mathbf{V} + \lambda_{\pm} \mathbf{B}^* \right) \,,$$

where

$$\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{-d_i \pm \sqrt{d_i^2 + 4d_e^2}}{2d_e^2}.$$

Jacobi Identity:

Directly Abdelhamid et al.; remarkable transformations Lingam et al. which lead to **normal fields**.

Normal Fields

Normal Fields:

$$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{B}}_{\pm} := \mathbf{B} + d_e^2 \, \nabla \times \left[\frac{\nabla \times \mathbf{B}}{\rho} \right] + \lambda_{\pm} \nabla \times \mathbf{V}$$

XMHD remarkably yields:

 $\frac{\partial \mathcal{B}_{\pm}}{\partial t} + \pounds_{V_{\pm}} \mathcal{B}_{\pm} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \quad \text{Lie dragging of } 2 - \text{forms} \Rightarrow \text{frozen fluxes}$

Dragging velocities:

$$\mathbf{V}_{\pm} = \mathbf{V} - \lambda_{\mp} \nabla \times \mathbf{B} / \rho$$

Helicities:

$$K_{\pm} = \int \mathsf{A}_{\pm} \wedge d\mathsf{A}_{\pm}, \qquad \mathcal{B}_{\pm} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}_{\pm} \sim d\mathsf{A}_{\pm}$$

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Ohm's Laws

Normal Potentials:

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Ohms Laws:

$$\mathbf{E}_{\pm} + \frac{\mathbf{v}_{\pm} \times \mathbf{B}_{\pm}}{c} = \nabla \Upsilon_{\pm}$$

Maxwell-Vlasov

Maxwell Part



 $\mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{x},t),\,\mathbf{B}(\boldsymbol{x},t),\,\rho_{e}(\boldsymbol{x},t),\,\boldsymbol{J}_{e}(\boldsymbol{x},t)$

Coupling to Vlasov

$$\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} = -\boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla f_s - \frac{e_s}{m_s} \left(\mathbf{E} + \frac{\boldsymbol{v}}{c} \times \mathbf{B} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial f_s}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}}$$

$$\rho_e(\boldsymbol{x},t) = \sum_s e_s \int f_s(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{v},t) \, d^3 v \,, \quad \boldsymbol{J}_e(\boldsymbol{x},t) = \sum_s e_s \int \boldsymbol{v} \, f_s(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{v},t) \, d^3 v$$

 $f_s(x, v, t)$ is a phase space density for particles of species s with charge and mass, e_s, m_s .

An inclusive matter field theory that includes <u>point particles</u> and fluids as exact reductions.

Maxwell-Vlasov Structure

Hamiltonian:

$$H = \sum_{s} \frac{m_s}{2} \int |v|^2 f_s \, d^3 x \, d^3 v + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int (|\mathbf{E}|^2 + |\mathbf{B}|^2) \, d^3 x \, d^3 v + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int (|\mathbf{E}|^2 + |\mathbf{B}|^2) \, d^3 x \, d^3 v \, d^3$$

Bracket:

$$\{F, G\} = \sum_{s} \int \left(\frac{1}{m_{s}} f_{s} \left(\nabla F_{f_{s}} \cdot \partial_{v} G_{f_{s}} - \nabla G_{f_{s}} \cdot \partial_{v} F_{f_{s}} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{e_{s}}{m_{s}^{2}c} f_{s} \mathbf{B} \cdot \left(\partial_{v} F_{f_{s}} \times \partial_{v} G_{f_{s}} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4\pi e_{s}}{m_{s}} f_{s} \left(G_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \partial_{v} F_{f_{s}} - F_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \partial_{v} G_{f_{s}} \right) \right) d^{3}x d^{3}v \\ \left. + 4\pi c \int \left(F_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \times G_{\mathbf{B}} - G_{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \nabla \times F_{\mathbf{B}} \right) d^{3}x ,$$

where $\partial_v := \partial/\partial v$, F_{f_s} means functional derivative of F with respect to f_s etc.

pjm5,9 1980,1982; Marsden and Weinstein 1982

Maxwell-Vlasov Structure (cont)

Equations of Motion:

$$\frac{\partial f_s}{\partial t} = \{f_s, H\}, \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \{\mathbf{E}, H\}, \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = \{\mathbf{B}, H\}.$$

Casimirs invariants:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_{s}^{f}[f_{s}] &= \int \mathcal{C}_{s}(f_{s}) d^{3}x d^{3}v \\ \mathcal{C}^{E}[\mathbf{E}, f_{s}] &= \int h^{\mathbf{E}}(x) \left(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} - 4\pi \sum_{s} e_{s} \int f_{s} d^{3}v \right) d^{3}x \,, \\ \mathcal{C}^{B}[\mathbf{B}] &= \int h^{\mathbf{B}}(x) \, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} \, d^{3}x \,, \end{aligned}$$

where C_s , h^E and h^B are arbitrary functions of their arguments. These satisfy the degeneracy conditions

$$\{F,C\} = 0 \quad \forall F.$$

GEMPIC

A Maxwell-Vlasov structure preserving particle-in-cell algorithm.

A Poisson integrator.

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Discretizing the Noncanonical Maxwell-Vlasov Hamiltonian Structure

- Discretize fields f, E, B
- Discretize Vlasov-Maxwell noncanonical Poisson bracket
- Discretize Hamiltonian $\hat{\mathcal{H}}$
- Obtain finite-dimensional <u>Hamiltonian</u> system for

$$z = (z^1, z^2, \dots, z^N) = (X, V, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B})$$
$$\dot{z}^i = \{z^i, \hat{\mathcal{H}}\}_d$$

with N very large.



de Rham complex

Spaces of electromagnetics form a de Rham complex

$$H^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{grad}} H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{curl}} H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{div}} L^2(\Omega)$$

with $\phi \in H^1(\Omega)$, $\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{A} \in H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega)$, $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{J} \in H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)$, $\rho \in L_2(\Omega)$.

Equivalent formulation of de Rham complex with differential forms

$$H\Lambda^0(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{d}} H\Lambda^1(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{d}} H\Lambda^2(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{d}} H\Lambda^3(\Omega)$$

Form	integrands	quantity	unit
0-form	point evaluation	ϕ	V
1-form	line integral	E	V/m
2-form	surface integral	В	$(Vs)/m^2$
3-form	volume integral	ρ	C/m^3

Exactness: Im(grad) = Ker(curl), Im(curl) = Ker(div).

Structure preserving discretization



Finite Element Exterior Calculus (FEEC): Mathematical theory for finite element discretization of differential forms.²

Discrete de Rham complex: Projections Π_k commute with exterior derivatives.



Exact sequence property on matrix level:

$$\mathbb{R}^{N_0} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{G}} \mathbb{R}^{N_1} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{R}^{N_2} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{D}} \mathbb{R}^{N_3},$$

with $\operatorname{Im} \mathbb{G} = \operatorname{Ker} \mathbb{C}$, $\operatorname{Im} \mathbb{C} = \operatorname{Ker} \mathbb{D}$.

²Arnold, Falk, Winther, Acta Numerica, 2006.

Finite Element Exterior Calculus (FEEC)

- Function spaces, for configuration space $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
 - 1. $H(\operatorname{grad}, \Omega) = \{\phi \in L^2(\Omega) | \nabla \phi \in L^2(\Omega)\} = H^1(\Omega)$
 - 2. $H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega) = \{ A \in \mathrm{L}^2(\Omega) | \operatorname{curl} A \in \mathrm{L}^2(\Omega) \}$
 - 3. $H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega) = \{ E \in \mathrm{L}^2(\Omega) | \operatorname{div} E \in L^2(\Omega) \}$

where L^2 denotes square integrable functions and L^2 denotes square integrable vectors, e.g., $\int_{\Omega} d^3x |E|^2$.

- Properties
 - 1. $\nabla(H(\operatorname{grad}, \Omega)) \subset H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega)$
 - 2. $\nabla \times (H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega)) \subset H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)$
 - 3. $\nabla \cdot (H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)) \subset L^2(\Omega)$

FEEC (cont)

- Finite-Dimensional (Discrete) Subspaces
 - 1. $V_0 \subset H(\operatorname{grad}, \Omega)$
 - 2. $V_1 \subset H(\operatorname{curl}, \Omega)$
 - 3. $V_2 \subset H(\operatorname{div}, \Omega)$
 - 4. $V_3 \subset L^2(\Omega)$
- Discrete Subspace Properties
 - 1. $\mathbb{G}V_0 \subset V_1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \operatorname{Im}(\mathbb{G}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(\mathbb{C})$
 - 2. $\mathbb{C}V_1 \subset V_2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \operatorname{Im}(\mathbb{C}) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(\mathbb{D})$
 - 3. $\mathbb{D}V_2 \subset V_3$ $\mathbb{D}\mathbb{C} = 0$ and $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{G} = 0$

where the discrete grad, \mathbb{G} , curl, \mathbb{C} , and div, \mathbb{D} , are matrices defined by restriction to the subspaces.

FEEC (cont)



 \exists Compatibility or "Conforming" finite element spaces.

On tetrahedra H^1 conforming \mathbb{P}_k Lagrange finite elements for V_0 , the H(curl) conforming Nédéc elements for V_1 , the H(div) conforming Raviart-Thomas elements for V_2 and discontinuous Galerkin elements for V_3 . A similar sequence can be defined on hexahedra based on the H^1 conforming \mathbb{Q}_k Lagrange finite elements for V_0 .

Spline de Rham complex^a



^aBuffa, Rivas, Sangalli, Vásquez, SIAM J. Numer. Anal., 2011

- 0-form basis: $V_0 = \operatorname{span} \{ \mathcal{S}^p(x_1) \mathcal{S}^p(x_2) \mathcal{S}^p(x_3) \}$
- 1-form basis:

$$V_{1} = \operatorname{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{S}^{p-1} \mathcal{S}^{p} \mathcal{S}^{p} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathcal{S}^{p} \mathcal{S}^{p-1} \mathcal{S}^{p} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \mathcal{S}^{p} \mathcal{S}^{p} \mathcal{S}^{p-1} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

2-form basis:

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• 3-form basis: $V_3 = \operatorname{span} \{ \mathcal{S}^{p-1}(x_1) \mathcal{S}^{p-1}(x_2) \mathcal{S}^{p-1}(x_3) \}$

Relation between splines of degree p an p-1: $\frac{d}{dx}\mathcal{S}_{i}^{p}(x) = \frac{p}{x_{i+p}-x_{i}}\mathcal{S}_{i}^{p-1}(x) - \frac{p}{x_{i+1+p}-x_{i+1}}\mathcal{S}_{i+1}^{p-1}(x).$



Discretization of the electromagnetic fields

- Semi-discrete electric field: $\mathbf{E}_h(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i^{N_1} e_i(t) \mathbf{\Lambda}_i^1(\mathbf{x})$.
- Semi-discrete magnetic field: $\mathbf{B}_h(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i^{N_2} b_i(t) \mathbf{\Lambda}_i^2(\mathbf{x})$.
- Functionals restricted to the semi-discrete fields can be considered as functions of the finite element coefficients: F[E_h] = F̂[e] and F[B_h] = F̂[b].
- Replace functional derivatives of F[E_h], F[B_h] by partial derivatives of Â(e) and Â(b):

$$\frac{\delta F[\mathbf{E}_h]}{\delta \mathbf{E}} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_1} \frac{\partial \hat{F}(\mathbf{e})}{\partial e_i} (M_1^{-1})_{ij} \mathbf{\Lambda}_j^1(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$\frac{\delta F[\mathbf{B}_h]}{\delta \mathbf{B}} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_2} \frac{\partial \hat{F}(\mathbf{b})}{\partial b_i} (M_2^{-1})_{ij} \mathbf{\Lambda}_j^2(\mathbf{x}),$$

where $(M_{1,2})_{i,j} = \int \mathbf{\Lambda}_i^{1,2}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{\Lambda}_j^{1,2}(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}$ denotes the mass matrix.



Discretization of the distribution function

Particle distribution function

$$f_h(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{v},t) = \sum_{a=1}^{N_p} w_a \,\delta\big(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_a(t)\big) \,\delta\big(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_a(t)\big),$$

- Functionals restricted to the particle distribution function can be considered as functions of the particle phasespace trajectories: F[f_h] = F̂[X, V].
- Replace functional derivative of F[f_h] by particle derivatives with respect to (x_a, v_a):

$$\frac{\partial \hat{F}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_a} = w_a \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{\delta F}{\delta f} \Big|_{(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{v}_a)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \hat{F}}{\partial \mathbf{v}_a} = w_a \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} \frac{\delta F}{\delta f} \Big|_{(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{v}_a)}.$$



Semi-discrete equations

- Dynamical variables: $\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{b})^{\top}$.
- Discrete Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}^{\top} \mathbb{M}_{\rho} \mathbf{V} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}^{\top} M_{1} \mathbf{e} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{b}^{\top} M_{2} \mathbf{b}.$$

Semi-discrete equations of motion:

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Semi-discrete equations of motion

$$\begin{split} \dot{\mathbf{X}} &= \mathbf{V} & \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{v}, \\ \dot{\mathbf{V}} &= \mathbb{M}_p^{-1} \mathbb{M}_q \left(\mathbb{A}^1(\mathbf{X}) \mathbf{e} + \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{V} \right) & \dot{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{q_s}{m_s} \left(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} \right), \\ \dot{\mathbf{e}} &= M_1^{-1} \left(\mathbb{C}^\top M_2 \mathbf{b}(t) - \mathbb{A}^1(\mathbf{X})^\top \mathbb{M}_q \mathbf{V} \right) & \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{J}, \\ \dot{\mathbf{b}} &= -\mathbb{C} \mathbf{e}(t) & \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} = -\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E}. \end{split}$$



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Semi-discrete equations of motion expressed with Poisson matrix:

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} = \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}) \, \mathsf{D}_{\mathbf{u}} \hat{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{u}).$$

Poisson matrix:

$$\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ -\mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1} & \mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1}\mathbb{M}_{q}\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{b})\mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1} & \mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1}\mathbb{M}_{q}\mathbb{A}^{1}(\mathbf{X})M_{1}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & -M_{1}^{-1}\mathbb{A}^{1}(\mathbf{X})^{\top}\mathbb{M}_{q}\mathbb{M}_{p}^{-1} & 0 & M_{1}^{-1}\mathbb{C}^{\top} \\ 0 & 0 & -\mathbb{C}M_{1}^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Some properties:

Semi-discrete Poisson bracket satisfies Jacobi identity.

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$$\mathbb{CG} = 0.$$

• Discrete Gauss' law: $\mathbb{G}^{\top} M_1 \mathbf{e} = -\mathbb{A}^0(\mathbf{X})^{\top} \mathbb{M}_q \mathbb{1}_{N_p}$.



- Split Hamiltonian and solve equations for each part separately.
- Combine the various substep using splitting methods of different order (Lie-Trotter, Strang, composition methods).
- Our splitting:

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{p_{\mu}} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}_{\mu}^{\top} \mathbb{M}_{p} \mathbf{V}_{\mu}, \qquad \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{E} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}^{\top} M_{1} \mathbf{e}, \qquad \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{B} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{b}^{\top} M_{2} \mathbf{b}.$$

Subsystems u = {u, Â_{pµ}, E, B} can all by integrated over time analytically yielding explicit equations (except for mass matrix inversion).

Examples

Nonlinear Landau Damping

Integrate Vlasov-Poisson

Initial condition:

$$f(x, v, t = 0) = f_M(v)(1 + A\cos(kx))$$
 with $A, k = .5$



Figure 5: Landau damping: Electric energy with fitted damping and growth rates.

Integrator	γ_1	γ_2
GEMPIC	-0.286	+0.087
viVlasov1D $[48]$	-0.286	+0.085
Cheng & Knorr [22]	-0.281	+0.084
Nakamura & Yabe [74]	-0.280	+0.085
Ayuso & Hajian $[31]$	-0.292	+0.086
Heath, Gamba, Morrison, Michler [43]	-0.287	+0.075
Cheng, Gamba, Morrison [23]	-0.291	+0.086

Table 3: Damping and growth rates for strong Landau damping.

Example: Streaming Weibel

Single electron species, x = (x, 0, 0), $v = (v_1, v_2, 0)$, $E(x,t) = (E_1, E_2, 0)$, $B(x,t) = (0, 0, B_3)$, $f(x, v, t) = f(x, v_1, v_2, t)$, Vlasov:

$$\frac{\partial f(x, \boldsymbol{v}, t)}{\partial t} + v_1 \frac{\partial f(x, \boldsymbol{v}, t)}{\partial x} + \frac{q}{m} \left[\boldsymbol{E}(x, t) + B_3(x, t) \begin{pmatrix} v_2 \\ -v_1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \cdot \frac{\partial f(x, \boldsymbol{v}, t)}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}} = 0,$$

Maxwell:

$$\frac{\partial E_1(x,t)}{\partial t} = -J_1(x),$$

$$\frac{\partial E_2(x,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial B(x,t)}{\partial x} - J_2(x),$$

$$\frac{\partial B(x,t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial E_2(x,t)}{\partial x}, \quad \frac{\partial E_1(x,t)}{\partial x} = \rho,$$

Sources

$$\rho = q \int d\boldsymbol{v} f, \qquad J_1 = q \int d\boldsymbol{v} f v_1, \qquad J_2 = q \int \boldsymbol{v} f v_2.$$

Note that $\nabla \cdot B = 0$ is manifest.

Initial distribution:

$$f(x, v, t = 0) = \frac{e^{-\frac{v_1^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{2\pi\sigma^2} \left(\delta e^{-\frac{(v_2 - v_{0,1})^2}{2\sigma^2}} + (1 - \delta) e^{-\frac{(v_2 - v_{0,2})^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right),$$

$$B_3(x, t = 0) = \beta \sin(kx), \quad E_2(x, t = 0) = 0,$$

 $E_1(x,t=0)$ computed from Poisson's equation.

Parameters:

$$\sigma = 0.1/\sqrt{2}$$
, $k = 0.2$, $\beta = -10^{-3}$, $v_{0,1} = 0.5$, $v_{0,2} = -0.1$, $\delta = 1/6$.

Details:

Domain $x \in [0, 2\pi/k)$, 2,000,000 particles, 128 grid points, splines of degree 3 and 2, and $\Delta t = 0.01$.

Same as Califano (1997), Cheng et al. (2014)



Figure 3: Streaming Weibel instability: The two electric and the magnetic energies together with the analytic growth rate.



Figure 4: Streaming Weibel instability: Difference of total energy and its initial value as a function of time for various integrators.

Underview

- Hamiltonian Structure. Background material.
- Extended MHD. Aesthetically pleasing.
- Vlasov Computation. Pleasing and practical.