

On Decomposition of the Hamiltonian Realization of Vlasov's Plasma

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This talk is on non-relativistic collisionless plasma particles occupying in a finite region $\mathcal{Q} \subset R^3$. Vlasov's plasma dynamics is determined by the evolution of the plasma density function f , defined on the cotangent bundle $T^*\mathcal{Q}$ with the Darboux' coordinates (\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) , according to the Vlasov equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla_q f - e \nabla_q \phi \cdot \nabla_p f = 0. \quad (1)$$

Here, ϕ is the potential function, m is the mass, and e is the electrical charge. One may couple the Vlasov equation with the Poisson equation

$$\nabla^2 \phi(\mathbf{q}) = -e \int f(q, p) d\mathbf{p}, \quad (2)$$

and arrive at the Vlasov-Poisson equations. Hamiltonian analysis of the Vlasov plasma was achieved in [1]. Kinetic moments of the plasma density functions are determined to be Poisson mappings [2]. The first aim is to provide Hamiltonian (Lie-Poisson) analysis of the Vlasov plasma, and the dynamics of its kinetic moments, from the matched pair decomposition point of view [3]. Both of these physical systems will be recasted as Lie-Poisson systems as couplings of *mutually interacting* (Lie-Poisson) subdynamics [5]. In each case, we observe that one of the constitutive subdynamics is the compressible isentropic fluid flow, and the other is the higher-order (≥ 2) kinetic moments. In this regard, the algebraic/geometric (matched pair) decomposition is in a harmony with the physical intuition. As a second goal, we address another phenomenon in plasma dynamics, namely all possible decompositions of Hamiltonian formulation of BBGKY (Bogoliubov-Born-Green-Kirkwood-Yvon) hierarchy [4] of the order 3. This talk contains some results from [5] and [6].

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