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Quantum transport: modelling, analysis and asymptotics

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New Quantum Hydrodynamic Models for Semiconductors

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Semiconductor devices

• Resonant tunneling diode



- Applications
 - logic devices
 - laser diodes
 - oscillator circuits





Quantum entropy minimization

For the Wigner distribution function $f : \mathbb{R}^d_x \times \mathbb{R}^d_p \to \mathbb{R}$ define

Quantum relative entropy

$$H(f) = \int \int f(\operatorname{Log} f - 1 + \frac{1}{2}|p|^2 + V(x))dxdp$$

where Log f is the operator logarithm

- Moments
 - $(n,nu,ne) = m[f](x,t) = \int f(x,p,t)\chi(p)dp$ with weight $\chi(p) = (1,p,\frac{1}{2}|p|^2)$
- Quantum Maxwellian M_f is the solution to the constrained minimization

$$H(M_f) = \min\left\{H(f) : \int f(p)\chi(p)dp = m[f]\right\}$$

From kinetic to fluid models

• Wigner-BGK equation

 $\partial_t f_{\alpha} + p \cdot \nabla_x f_{\alpha} + \Theta_{\varepsilon}[V] f_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha} (M_{f_{\alpha}} - f_{\alpha})$

 $\Theta_{\varepsilon}[V]$ pseudo-diff. operator, $\Theta_{\varepsilon}[V]f \rightarrow \nabla_{x}V \cdot \nabla_{p}f$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ • Hydrodynamic limit

- limit $\alpha \to 0$ yields $f_{\alpha} \to f = M_f$, the Quantum Maxwellian • Moment equations
 - multiply by moments χ and integrate over $p \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\partial_t m[M_f] + \nabla_x \cdot \int p \chi(p) M_f dp + \int \chi(p) \Theta_{\varepsilon}[V] M_f dp = 0$$

• General Quantum hydrodynamic (QHD) equations

$$\partial_t n + \operatorname{div}(nu) = 0$$

$$\partial_t(nu) + \operatorname{div}\left(\frac{nu \otimes u}{n}\right) + \operatorname{div}P - n\nabla V = 0$$

$$\partial_t(ne) + \operatorname{div}\left((P + neT)u\right) + \operatorname{div}S - nu \cdot \nabla V = 0$$

n particle density, *nu* momentum, *ne* energy density $P = \int (p-u) \otimes (p-u) M_f dp \quad \text{stress tensor}$ $S = \frac{1}{2} \int (p-u) |p-u|^2 M_f dp \quad \text{correction flux}$

• Expansion in powers of ε^2 Neglect terms $O(\varepsilon^4)$ and smaller, assume $\nabla \log T = O(\varepsilon^2)$

$$ne = \frac{d}{2}nT + \frac{1}{2}n|u|^2 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{24}n\left(\Delta\log n - \frac{\operatorname{tr}(R^{\mathrm{T}}R)}{T}\right)$$
$$P = nTI - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{12}n\left((\nabla \otimes \nabla)\log n - \frac{R^{\mathrm{T}}R}{T}\right)$$
$$S = -\frac{\varepsilon^2}{8}(\operatorname{div}(n\Delta u) + f(R, \operatorname{div}R, n, \nabla n))$$

with the vorticity $R = \nabla u - (\nabla u)^{T}$

Numerical results

• Genuine quantum hydrodynamical simulations



- CFD discretization, Newton iteration, heat conduction
- new dispersive velocity term has regularizing effect in CV-curve and stabilizes the numerical scheme