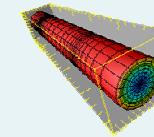
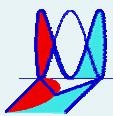


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## QUANTUM HYDRODYNAMICS: MODELING AND ASYMPTOTICS

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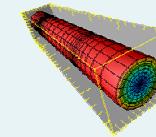
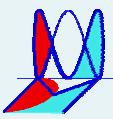
## HIERARCHY of QUANTUM SEMICONDUCTOR MODELS

- Quantum Dynamics
- Quantum Kinetics
- Quantum Hydrodynamics

*Many Particle Schrödinger Equation*  
*Heisenberg Equation*  
*Schrödinger Equation*

*Quantum Liouville Equation*  
*Quantum Vlasov Equation*  
*Quantum Boltzmann Equation*

*Quantum Hydrodynamic Equations*  
*Energy-Transport Equations*  
*Quantum Drift-Diffusion Equations*



## THE QUANTUM KINETIC MODEL

The linear Wigner equation provides a kinetic description of the evolution of a quantum system, under the effect of an external potential  $V = V(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

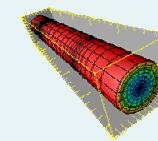
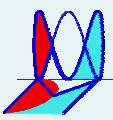
$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + v \cdot \nabla_x w - \Theta[V]w = 0$$

Here the (real-valued) potential  $V$  enters through the pseudo-differential operator defined by

$$(\Theta[V]w)(x, v, t) = \frac{i}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \delta V(x, \eta) \mathcal{F}w(x, \eta, t) e^{iv \cdot \eta} d\eta$$

where

$$\delta V(x, \eta) := \frac{1}{\hbar} \left[ V \left( x + \frac{\hbar \eta}{2m} \right) - V \left( x - \frac{\hbar \eta}{2m} \right) \right]$$



## DERIVATION OF QUANTUM HYDRODYNAMIC EQUATIONS

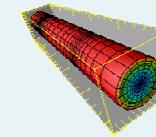
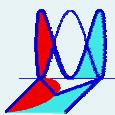
### FIRST STEP

*Introduce dissipative interactions*

### SECOND STEP

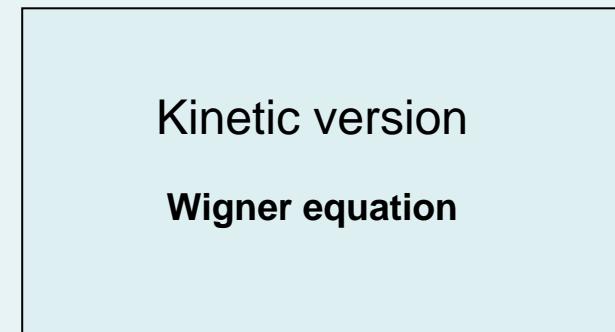
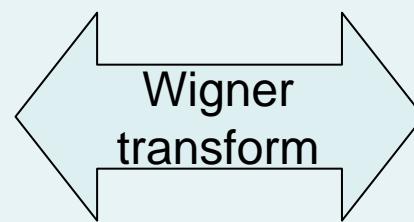
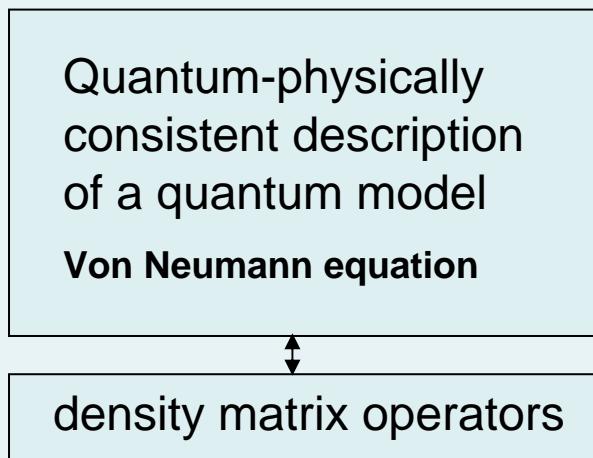
*Derive evolution equations with unknown the following moments of the Wigner functions*

$$\begin{aligned} n(x, t) &:= \int_{R_v^d} w(x, v, t) dv && \text{Particle density} \\ nu(x, t) &:= \int_{R_v^d} v w(x, v, t) dv && \text{Current density} \\ e(x, t) &:= \int_{R_v^d} \frac{1}{2} m |v|^2 w(x, v, t) dv && \text{Energy density} \end{aligned}$$

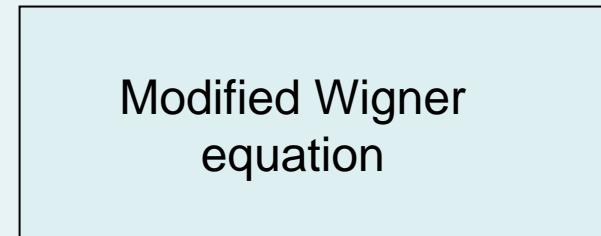
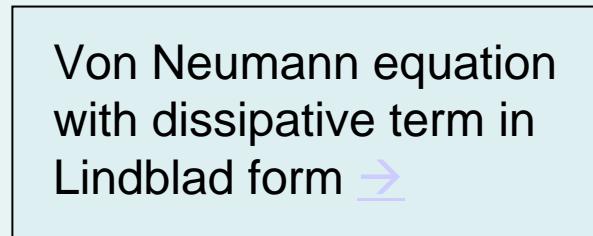


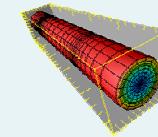
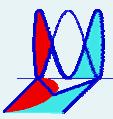
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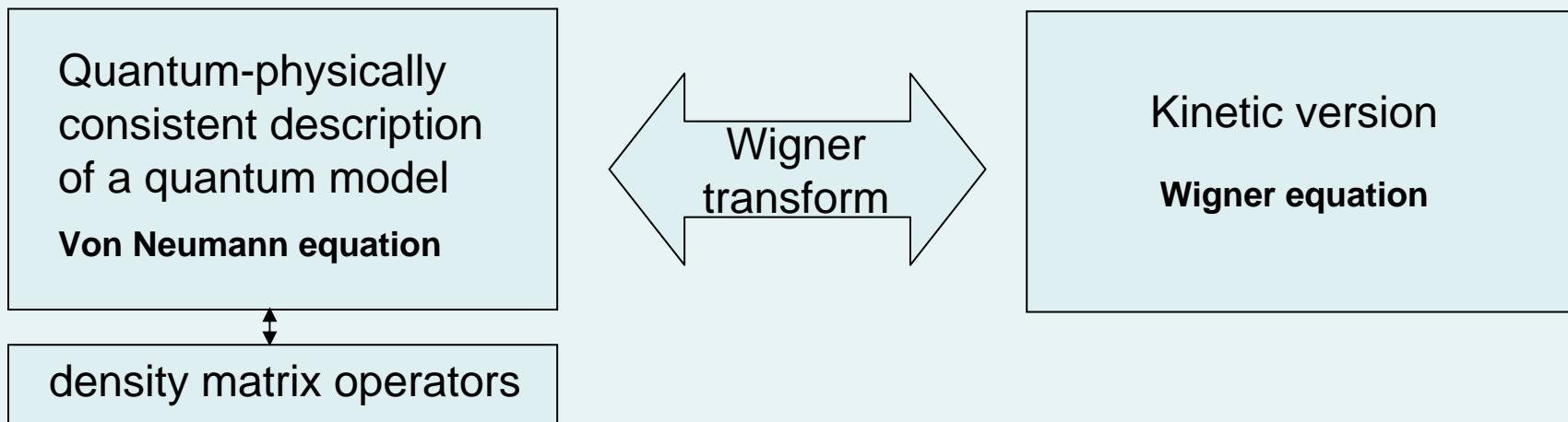
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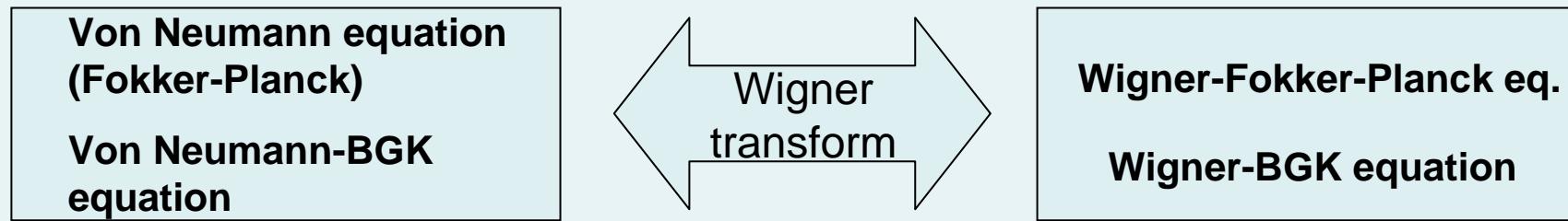


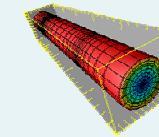
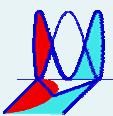
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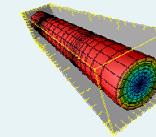
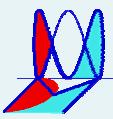
Let us modify the Wigner equation by adding a collisional term which mimics the dissipative interaction of the quantum system with the environment.

The simpler model is a BGK relaxation-time operator, which say that after a time  $1/\nu$  the system will relax to a state  $w_{eq}$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + v \cdot \nabla_x w - \Theta[V]w = -\nu(w - w_{eq})$$

We shall describe the thermodynamical equilibrium state by

$$w_{eq}(x, v, t) = n(x, t) \left( \frac{\beta m}{2\pi} \right)^{d/2} e^{-\beta mv^2/2} \times \left\{ 1 + \hbar^2 \frac{\beta^2}{24} \left[ -\frac{1}{m} \Delta V(x) + \beta \sum_{r,s=1}^d v_r v_s \frac{\partial^2 V(x)}{\partial x_r \partial x_s} \right] + O(\hbar^4) \right\}$$



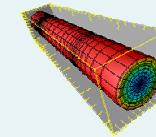
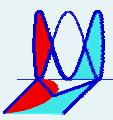
*This is obtained by inserting in the Wigner thermodinamical equilibrium (1932) the two parameters  $n = n(x, t)$ ,  $T = T(x, t)$  (the reciprocal of  $\beta$ ) and then by assuming*

$$\int w_{\text{eq}}(x, v, t) dv = \int w(x, v, t) dv =: n[w](x, t) \equiv n(x, t).$$

This corresponds to say that the equilibrium determined by the collisions depends on time both through the density  $n$  and through the temperature  $T$ .

The external potential coexists with the collisions. Thus the relaxation-time state is determined by considering the joint actions of collisions and of external field.

*The subject of next section is the individuation of the state that annihilates jointly both effects. The corresponding distribution function shall be adopted to close our system.*



## THE SCALED EQUATION

Let  $\varepsilon = l / x_0$  be the Knudsen number. We consider the case in which the external potential and the interactions are dominant in the evolution.

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \epsilon v \cdot \nabla_x w - \Theta[V] w = -\nu (w - w_{\text{eq}})$$

We rewrite the right-hand side as

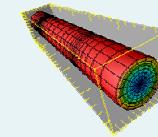
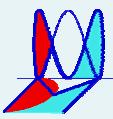
$$\Omega w(x, v) = \nu n[w](x) [F(v) + \hbar^2 F^{(2)}(x, v)]$$

where

$F(v)$  is the classical Maxwellian  $\left(\frac{\beta m}{2\pi}\right)^{d/2} e^{-\beta mv^2/2}$

$F^{(2)}$  is the  $O(\hbar^2)$ -term

$$F^{(2)}[V](x, v) = \frac{\beta^2}{24} \left[ -\frac{1}{m} \Delta V + \beta \sum_{r,s=1}^d v_r v_s \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x_r \partial x_s} \right] F(v)$$



The solution of the problem with  $\varepsilon = 0$  is the distribution function at relaxation -time

$$\theta[V]w + Qw = 0$$

### **Proposition**

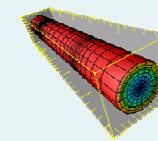
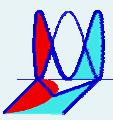
If  $V$  is sufficiently smooth, for a fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , in a suitable Hilbert space (see later), there exists a unique solution  $M$  with

$$\int M(x, v, t) dv = \int w(x, v, t)$$

given by

$$M(x, v, t) = \nu n(x, t) \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathcal{F}(F + \hbar^2 F^{(2)})}{\nu - i\delta V(x, \eta)} \right) (x, v)$$

We use the relaxation-time distribution function  $M$  to close the system of the moments.



Let us compute the moments of the function  $M$

*M is not the equilibrium state*

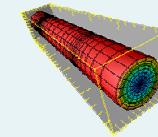
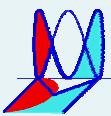
$$\int v M(x, v) dv = -n \frac{\nabla V}{\nu m}$$



$$\int v \otimes mv M(x, v) dv = n \frac{\mathcal{I}}{\beta} + 2mn \frac{\nabla V}{\nu m} \otimes \frac{\nabla V}{\nu m} + \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{12m} n \nabla \otimes \nabla V$$

$$\int \frac{1}{2} m |v|^2 M(x, v) dv = n \frac{d}{2\beta} + mn \frac{|\nabla V|^2}{\nu^2 m^2} + \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{24m} n \Delta V$$

$$\int mv|v|^2 M(x, v) dv = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \Delta \frac{\nabla V}{\nu n} + \frac{\nabla V}{\nu m} \int v \otimes mv M dv + \frac{\nabla V}{\nu m} \int \frac{1}{2} m |v|^2 M dv$$



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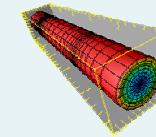
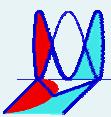
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the velocity momentum can be expressed in terms of the deviation from the relaxation-time velocity (fluid velocity at relaxation-time)



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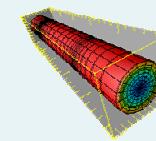
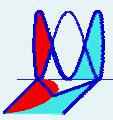
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$$P = \int m(v-u) \otimes (v-u) dv$$

This can be expressed in terms of the pressure tensor  $\mathcal{P}$

$$\begin{aligned}\int mv \otimes vw &= mnu \otimes u - \mathcal{P}, \\ e := \int \frac{1}{2}m|v|^2w dv &= \frac{1}{2}mn|u|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}\mathcal{P}\end{aligned}$$



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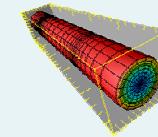
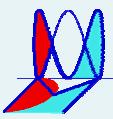
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We use the relaxation-time distribution function  $M$  to close the system

$$\int \frac{1}{2}mv|v|^2w dv = q + (e\mathcal{I} - \mathcal{P})u.$$



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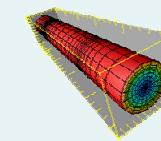
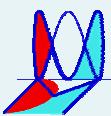
**Pressure tensor**

*diagonal part:  
classical temperature*

$$\mathcal{P} = -n \frac{\mathcal{I}}{\beta} - \frac{n}{\nu^2 m} \nabla V \otimes \nabla V - \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{12m} n \nabla \otimes \nabla V$$

**Heat flux**

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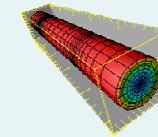
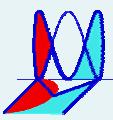
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*due to the strong field*

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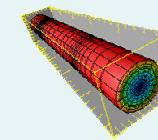
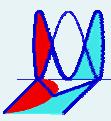


**quantum correction part of second order in  $\hbar$**

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## QUANTUM HYDRODYNAMIC SYSTEM with strong field

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \nabla_x \cdot (nu) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial(mnu)}{\partial t} + \nabla_x \cdot mnu \otimes u - \nabla_x \cdot \mathcal{P} = 0,$$

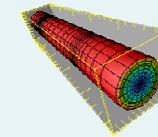
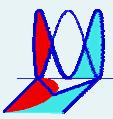
$$\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} + \nabla_x \cdot (eu) - \nabla_x \cdot (\mathcal{P}u) + \nabla_x \cdot q = 0.$$

Pressure tensor

Heat flux

Introducing the temperature, taking the trace  
of the first pressure tensor term

$$\frac{\partial(nT)}{\partial t} + \nabla_x \cdot (nTu) + \frac{2}{3}nT\nabla_x \cdot u + \frac{2}{3}\nabla_x \cdot q = 0.$$



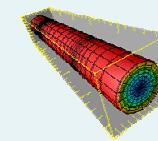
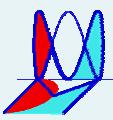
*The second part of my talk will be devoted to the*

***RIGOROUS DERIVATION of the QUANTUM DRIFT-DIFFUSION EQUATION  
in presence of a STRONG FIELD***

*We consider the Wigner-BGK equation in the scaled form*

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \epsilon v \cdot \nabla_x w - \Theta[V] w = -\nu (w - w_{\text{eq}})$$

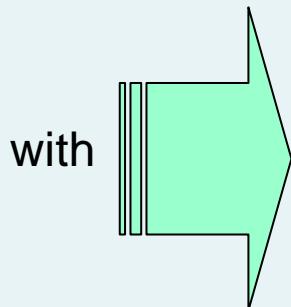
- ▶ *We derive the quantum drift-diffusion using the compressed Chapman-Enskog method*
- ▶ *We prove that the QDD solution approximates the solution to the Wigner-BGK equation up to the second order in  $\epsilon$*



## THE PROBLEM IN ABSTRACT FORM

Let  $X_k$  be the space  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{2d}, (1 + |v|^{2k})dx dv; \mathbb{R})$  and  $X_k^\nu$  the Hilbert space  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, (1 + |v|^{2k})dv; \mathbb{R})$

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon \frac{dw}{dt} = \epsilon Sw + \mathcal{A}w + \mathcal{C}w, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \|w(t) - w_0\|_{X_k} = 0 \end{cases}$$



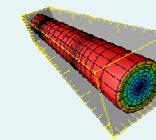
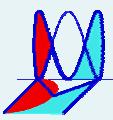
with

- streaming operator  $Su := -v \cdot \nabla_x$ ,
- field operator  $\mathcal{A}w := \Theta[V]w$ ,
- collision operator  $\mathcal{C}w := -(\nu w - \Omega w)$ ,

where the collision operator  $\Omega$  is defined by

$$\Omega w(x, v) = \nu n[w](x) [F(v) + \hbar^2 F^{(2)}(x, v)]$$

where  $F^{(2)}$  is the  $O(\hbar^2)$  correction.



We shall apply the compressed Chapman-Enskog procedure, as proposed by J.Mika and J.Banasiak (1995).

Accordingly, it is necessary to study the problem with  $\varepsilon = 0$ , i.e. the equation

$(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})f = 0$  in the space  $X_k^v$  for any fixed

**Proposition**

If  $V$  is sufficiently smooth, for a fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\ker(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C}) = \{cM(v), c \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset X_k^v$$

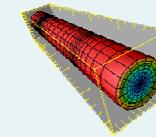
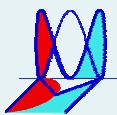
with

$$M(x, v) := \nu \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\mathcal{F}F(\eta)}{\nu - i\delta V(x, \eta)} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{24m^2} \sum_{r,s=1}^d \eta_r \eta_s \frac{\partial^2 V(x)}{\partial x_r \partial x_s} \right) \right\} (x, v)$$

Moreover, for all  $h \in X_k^v$ ,  $(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})u = h$  has a solution if and only if

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(v) dv = 0.$$

The previous  $M$   
differs by the  
factor  $n$



## FORMAL EXPANSION

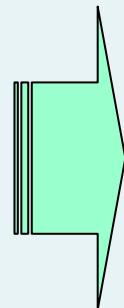
We decompose the space  $X_k$  as follows

$$X_k = (X_k)_M \oplus (X_k)^0$$

where  $(X_k)_M$  is the eigenspace spanned by  $M(x, v)$  and

$$(X_k)^0 = \left\{ f \in X_k \mid \int f(v) dv = 0 \right\}$$

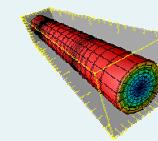
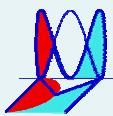
We define the corresponding spectral projections



$$\mathcal{P}f = M \int f(v) dv$$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{I} - \mathcal{P}.$$

We decompose the function  $w$  as  $w = \mathcal{P}w + \mathcal{Q}w$ .



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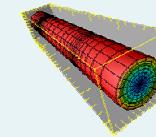
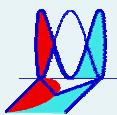


**Our strategy is**

to find the evolution equations for the hydrodynamic and kinetic parts

to expand the kinetic part in series of  $\mathcal{E}$

to correct the solution of the hydrodynamic equation up to the first order

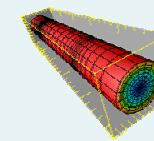
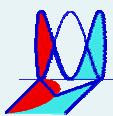


Operating formally on both sides of the evolution equation for the function  $\mathcal{W}$  with the projections  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$ , we obtain the following system of equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \mathcal{P}S\mathcal{P}\varphi + \mathcal{P}SQ\psi \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \mathcal{Q}S\mathcal{P}\varphi + \mathcal{Q}SQ\psi + \frac{1}{\epsilon}\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q}\psi \end{cases}$$

with initial conditions

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(0) = \varphi_0 = \mathcal{P}f_0 \\ \psi(0) = \psi_0 = \mathcal{Q}f_0. \end{cases}$$



Applying the compressed asymptotic expansion, we split the solutions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  into the sums of the

“bulk” parts  $\bar{\varphi}$  and  $\bar{\psi}$

and the

“initial-layer” parts  $\tilde{\varphi}$  and  $\tilde{\psi}$

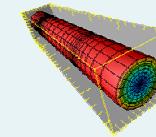
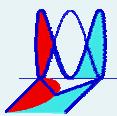
which take account of the rapid changes of  $w$  for small times.

$\bar{\varphi}$  is left unexpanded

$\tilde{\varphi}, \bar{\psi}, \tilde{\psi}$  are expanded in series of  $\epsilon$

$$\varphi(t) = \bar{\varphi}(t) + \tilde{\varphi}\left(\frac{t}{\epsilon}\right)$$

$$\psi(t) = \bar{\psi}(t) + \tilde{\psi}\left(\frac{t}{\epsilon}\right)$$



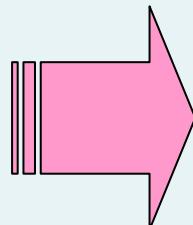
The expansion up to the second order gives

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial t} = \mathcal{P}S\mathcal{P}\bar{\varphi} + \mathcal{P}S\mathcal{Q}\bar{\psi}_0 + \epsilon\mathcal{P}S\mathcal{Q}\bar{\psi}_1 \\ 0 = \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q}\bar{\psi}_0 \\ 0 = \mathcal{Q}S\mathcal{P}\bar{\varphi} + \mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q}\bar{\psi}_1 \end{array} \right.$$

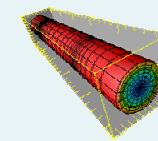
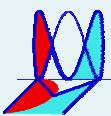
Thus, concerning the kinetic parts

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi}_0 &\equiv 0 \\ \bar{\psi}_1 &= -(\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q})^{-1}\mathcal{Q}S\mathcal{P}\bar{\varphi}, \end{aligned}$$

and inserting in the first equation, we get



$$\frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial t} = \mathcal{P}S\mathcal{P}\bar{\varphi} - \epsilon\mathcal{P}S\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q})^{-1}\mathcal{Q}S\mathcal{P}\bar{\varphi}$$



The unexpanded function  $\bar{\varphi}(x, v, t)$  can be written as the product

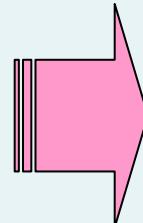
$$\bar{\varphi}(x, v, t) = n(x, t) M(x, v)$$

particle density

solution of the problem with  $\varepsilon = 0$

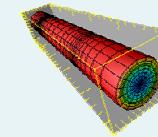
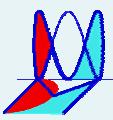
$$(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})f = 0$$

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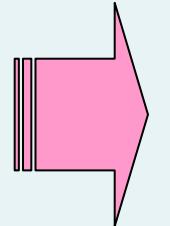

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} = -\nabla_x \left( n \int v M dv \right) + \epsilon \nabla_x \cdot \left[ \left( \int v \otimes D_2 dv \right) \cdot \nabla_x n + n \int v D_1 dv \right]$$

with the initial condition truncated at first order in  $\varepsilon$

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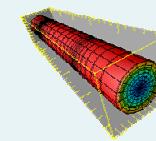
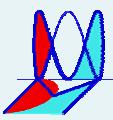
$$n(x, 0) = n_0(x) + \epsilon \int v \cdot \nabla_x D_3(x, v) dv$$

where

$D_1(x, v)$  and  $D_2(x, v) \equiv (D_2)_i(x, v)$   
and

$$D_3 = D_3(x, v)$$

are solutions of auxiliary problems,  
related to the invertibility of the operator  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{C})\mathcal{Q}$



We can prove that all terms of the bulk part of the expansion are well-defined.

$$J = J^{(0)} + \epsilon J^{(1)} := n \int v M \, dv + \epsilon \int v \bar{\psi}_1 \, dv$$

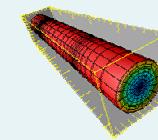
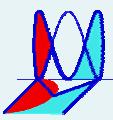
**Lemma.** The first term in  $J^{(1)}$  is  $\mathbf{D} \cdot \nabla_x \mathbf{n}$  where the tensor  $\mathbf{D}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{\nu} \left( \frac{\mathcal{I}}{\beta m} + \frac{1}{\nu^2 m^2} \nabla V \otimes \nabla V + \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{12m^2} (\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \right) + O(\hbar^4).$$

**Lemma.** The second term in  $J^{(1)}$  is given by  $n$  times  $\int v D_1(x, v) \, dv =$

$$= \frac{1}{\nu} \left( \frac{2}{\nu^2 m^2} (\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \nabla V + \frac{1}{\nu^2 m^2} \Delta V \nabla V + \frac{\beta \hbar^2}{12m^2} \nabla_x \cdot (\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \right) + O(\hbar^4).$$

*Correction from the kinetic part*

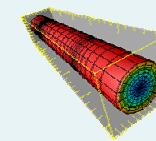
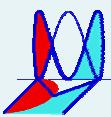


## THE HIGH-FIELD QUANTUM DRIFT-DIFFUSION EQUATION

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{\nu m} \nabla \cdot (n \nabla V) - \frac{\epsilon}{\nu \beta m} \nabla \cdot \nabla n$$

$$- \frac{\epsilon}{\nu^3 m^2} [\nabla \cdot (n (\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \nabla V) + \nabla \cdot \nabla \cdot (n \nabla V \otimes \nabla V)]$$

$$- \frac{\epsilon \beta \hbar^2}{12 \nu m^2} \nabla \cdot \nabla \cdot (n \nabla \otimes \nabla V) = 0$$



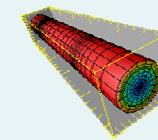
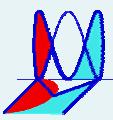
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Classical pressure tensor

High-field pressure tensor

Quantum pressure tensor

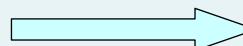


The second line

$$-\frac{\epsilon}{\nu^3 m^2} [\nabla \cdot (n(\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \nabla V) + \nabla \cdot \nabla \cdot (n \nabla V \otimes \nabla V)]$$

is peculiar of the **strong-field assumption** and it is a correction of order  $\epsilon$  and consists of the additional terms

$$\frac{1}{\nu} \frac{\nabla V \otimes \nabla V}{\nu^2 m^2}$$



in the **pressure tensor**

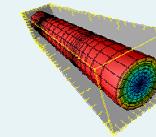
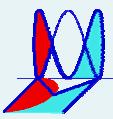
$$\frac{1}{\nu} \left( \frac{(\nabla \otimes \nabla) V \nabla V}{\nu^2 m^2} \right)$$



in the **drift term**

It can be written also as (Poupaud, Runaway paper 1992)

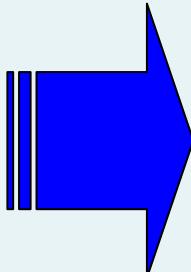
$$-\frac{\epsilon}{\nu^3 m^2} \nabla \cdot (\nabla V \otimes \nabla V \nabla n + n (2\nabla \otimes \nabla V \nabla V + \Delta V \nabla V))$$



## RIGOROUS RESULTS

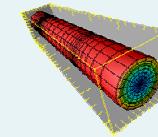
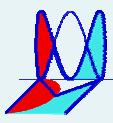
The rigorous asymptotic analysis can be found in Frosali-Manzini (2006) (submitted)

- *Existence and regularity of the initial layer functions*
- *Strong differentiability of the first order correction to bulk function*
- *Well-posedness and regularity of the QDD with a given external potential  $V$*
- *Estimates of the evolution semigroups*
- *Estimate of error*

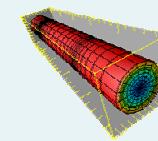
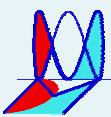


The main result consists in proving that the asymptotic expansion up to the first order gives an approximations of order  $\epsilon^2$  to the quantum Wigner equation.

$$\|\varphi(t) + \psi(t) - [\bar{\varphi}(t) + \epsilon\tilde{\varphi}_1(\tau)] - [\epsilon\bar{\psi}_1(t) + \tilde{\psi}_0(\tau) + \epsilon\tilde{\psi}_1(\tau)]\|_{X_k} \leq C\epsilon^2$$



Thanks for your attention !!!!!



Under the approximation  $-\beta \nabla V = \nabla \log n$  the second order term

$$- \frac{\epsilon \beta \hbar^2}{12 \nu m^2} \nabla \cdot \nabla \cdot (n \nabla \otimes \nabla V) = 0$$

becomes

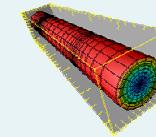
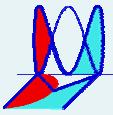
**Quantum pressure term**

$$- \frac{\epsilon \hbar^2}{6 \nu m^2} n \nabla \left( \frac{\Delta \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

**Bohm potential**

$$- \frac{\epsilon \hbar^2}{12 \nu m^2} n (\nabla \otimes \nabla) \log n$$

**Nondiagonal pressure tensor**



## LINDBLAD FORM

*Open quantum system: model evolution of small quantum system  $S$  coupled to large reservoir  $R$ :*

$S = \text{electrons}$  -  $R = \text{phonon bath (environment)}$

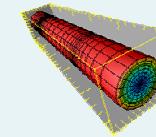
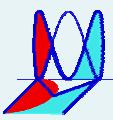
### Postulates:

- $R$  stays in thermodynamic equilibrium
- Open system  $S$  described by density matrix formulation
- $S$ : Markovian dynamics (completely positive quantum dynamical semigroup (QDS)

### STRUCTURE of QDS-GENERATORS (Lindblad 1976)

The bounded QDS-generator  $G(t)$  (in terms of the Hamiltonian and the Lindblad operators) is in Lindblad form when the dual map  $G(t)^*$  is completely positive, i.e.  $G(t)^*$  tensor-times the unit matrix is positivity preserving





## E. Wigner , Phys. Rev. 40, 749 (1932)

Following Wigner 1932, the quantum correction of the classical equilibrium distribution function on the phase space is

$$w_W(x, v) := \left( \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar} \right)^d e^{-\beta E} \\ \times \left\{ 1 + \hbar^2 \frac{\beta^2}{24} \left[ -\frac{3}{m} \Delta V(x) + \frac{\beta}{m} |\nabla V|^2(x) + \beta \sum_{r,s=1}^d v_r v_s \frac{\partial^2 V(x)}{\partial x_r \partial x_s} \right] + O(\hbar^4) \right\}$$

where  $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + V(x)$  is the total energy of the system

