EXISTENCE AND BLOWING UP FOR A SYSTEM OF THE DRIFT-DIFFUSION EQUATION IN \mathbb{R}^2

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We consider a well-posedness issue of the Cauchy proglem of nonlinear parabolic elliptic system called multiple drift-diffusion equation in two space dimensions: For $i = 1, 2 \cdots m$,

(P)
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u_i - \Delta u_i + \nabla \cdot (u_i \nabla \psi) = 0, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \\ -\Delta \psi = \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j u_j, & \alpha_j = \pm 1, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \\ u_i(x, 0) = u_{i0}(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^2, \end{cases}$$

where $u_i = u_i(t, x)$ denote the densities of i-th component and ψ denotes the potential of the particle field.

In [19], we have studied the system for 2 kinds of pariticle. Then it is developed by the first author that the multi-component system of drift-diffusion equation is considered in [17] and established the local well-posedness result for the class $L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$, where s > 1. We have shown the local and global well-posedness for the drift-diffusion equation in L^p with given initial data.

(P')
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t n - \Delta n + \kappa \nabla \cdot (n \nabla \psi) = 0, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ \partial_t p - \Delta p - \kappa \nabla \cdot (p \nabla \psi) = 0, & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ -\Delta \psi = p - n, & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \\ n(0, x) = n_0(x), & p(0, x) = p_0(x). \end{cases}$$

The above equation (P') for 2 kind of paticle in the case of $\kappa=1$ is the typical and simplest model for the semi-conductor device simulation ([2], [11], [12], [14], [18], [20]). On the other hand, when $\kappa=-1$ and n=2, the equation is strongly relevant to the model of self-interacting particles with different mass (see Biler-Nadzieja [4], see also [1], [3]) and the model of the aggregation of mold known as the Keller-Segel system [15]. It is suggested that the solution that has enough regularity (and integrability) may have the instability of the solution, namely under a certain condition on the initial data, the solution blows up in finite time. In the case of a single kind of self-interacting particles, it is also shown that the solution blow up in a finite time as one can find in [1], [3].

This property is naturally inherited to the system (P). Indeed Kurokiba-Ogawa [18] showed the finite time blow up of the solution for the two particle cases and it is generalized in [6],[7], [9], [10], [8] and [18]. On the other hand, the multi-particle system is considered by Wolansky [27] in the bounded domain case.

The argument in the Keller-Segel model systematically used that the solution is in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ ([21], [22], [23]), moreover if the solution is non-negative, L^1 norm of the solution are preserved in time. In this sence it is important to consider the existence of the solution in a function

space included in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$. To avoid some technical comlexity, we employ the weighted $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ space which is slightly smoller space than $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and ensure that the L^1 norm of the solution make sense. Indeed, we introduced in the previous result [18], the weighted L^2 space defined as follows. For s > 0,

$$L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^2) = \{ f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2); |x|^s f(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \}.$$

we first show the existence and uniqueness of the solution for the two dimensional drift-diffusion type system in a subset of $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$. Generalization of the local well-posedness result for the multi-component system (P) is developed by several authors. We shows the local well-posedness for the system (P) in a weighted space $L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ with s>1 and shows the finite time blow up of solution. On the other hand, it is meaningful if we consider the well-posedness issue in the critical function space where the invariant scaling transform is invariant. For the solution of (P), the invariant scaling $u_{\lambda}(t,x) = \lambda^2 u(\lambda^2 t, \lambda x)$ and $\psi_{\lambda}(t,x) = u(\lambda^2 t, \lambda x)$ with $\lambda > 0$. Then $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ is invariant function space under this scaling transform. While for the weighted space, s=1, i.e., $L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ is the invariant space. In the former results, this critical space is eliminated since we have some difficulty to controle ψ in this case.

Theorem 1. (local well-posedness in a critical weighted space) Let $u_{i0}(x) \in L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then there exists $T = T(\|u_{10}\|_{L_1^2}, \|u_{20}\|_{L_1^2}, \dots, \|u_{n0}\|_{L_1^2}) > 0$ and a unique weak solution $\{u_i\}_{i=1}^n$ of (P) with the initial data $\{u_{i0}\}_{i=1}^n$ such that $u_i \in C([0,T]; L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)) \cap L^2(0,T; \dot{H}^1(\mathbb{R}^2))$. Moreover the solution has higher regularity $u_i \in C([0,T]; H^2(\mathbb{R}^2)) \cap L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)) \cap C^1(0,T; \dot{L}_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2))$ and it is the strong solution for (P).

The solution obtained in Theorem 1 belongs to $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and hence it follows that the solution maintain the mass conservation law and meaningful identities. First of all, if the initial data is non-negative, then the maximum principle for the parabolic equation assures that the weak solution preserves non-negative structure. This fact immediately gives the $L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ conservation law for the weak solution.

Proposition 2. (global existence) Assume that u_{i0} are all non negative in $L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$. If $\alpha_i = -1$ for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then the corresponding solution u obtained by Theorem 1 globally exists.

To show the local wellposedness in the critical weighted space $L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$, we need to introduce the Sobolev type inequality to controle $\nabla(-\Delta)^{-1}\psi$. In Kurokiba-Ogawa [18] it is used a variant of the Brezis-Gallouet type inequality (cf. [25]). However the critial scale $L_1^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ was eliminated by some reason.

Moreover the subject of this study is to show the following instrability result.

Theorem 3. (finite time blow up) We assume that $\alpha_i = 1$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots n$. For s > 1, let u_{i0} be in $L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ with $u_{i0} \geq 0$ everywhere and satisfies

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_i \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} u_{i0} dx > 8\pi.$$

Then the solution to (P) blows up in a finite time. Namely, there exists $T_m < \infty$ such that

$$\limsup_{t \to T_m} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\langle x \rangle^s u_i(t)\|_2 = \infty,$$

where $\langle x \rangle = (1 + |x|^2)^{1/2}$.

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