Weighted Particle Method

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1D-1D Vlasov-Poisson equation

$$\left| \begin{aligned} &\partial_t f(t,x,v) + v\partial_x f(t,x,v) + E(t,x)\partial_v f(t,x,v) = 0, && (1.1a)\\ &E = \partial_x \Phi, \quad \partial_x^2 \Phi(t,x) = \rho(t,x), && (1.1b)\\ &f(0,x,v) = f_0(x,v), && (1.1c) \end{aligned} \right.$$

where $t \geq 0$, $v \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \in \mathbb{T}$ and *charge density*:

$$\rho(t,x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(f(t,x,v) - \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}|} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f(t,y,v)dy \right) dv.$$

Some properties of VP

- Transport equation $\rightarrow f$ constant along characteristics
- $(x, v) \mapsto (X(s;t,x,v), V(s;t,x,v))$ measure-preserving
- Conservation of $\mathbb{L}^p$ norms
- Conservation of energy $\mathcal{E}$ and momentum $\mathcal{M}$

$$\mathcal{E}(t) := \int |v|^2 f(t,x,v) dxdv + \int |\partial_x \Phi(t,x)|^2 \, dx = const.,$$

$$\mathcal{M}(t) = \int v f(t,x,v) dxdv = const.$$

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Usual numerical schemes

Splitting:

$$\partial_t f(t,x,v) + v\partial_x f(t,x,v) = 0$$
$$\implies f(t,x,v) = f(0, x - tv, v)$$

$$\partial_t f(t,x,v) + E(t,x)\partial_v f(t,x,v) = 0$$
$$\implies f(t,x,v) \approx f(0, x, v - tE(0,x))$$

Grid-based methods:

- Eulerian
- (Forward/Backward) Semi-Lagrangian

Particle methods:

- (Particle/Cloud)-In-Cell

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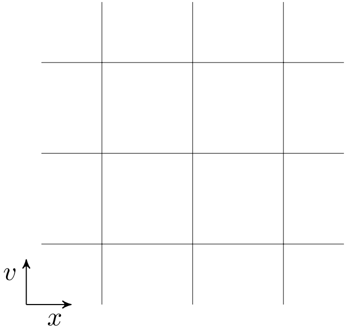

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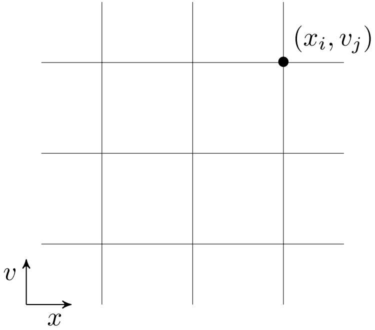

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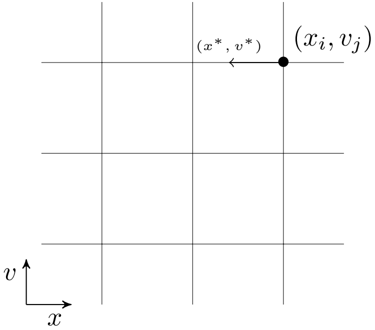

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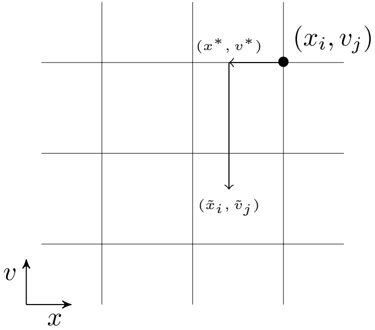

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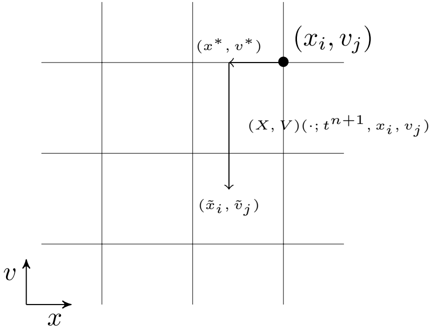

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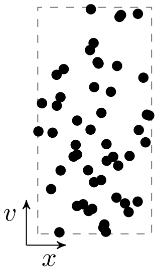

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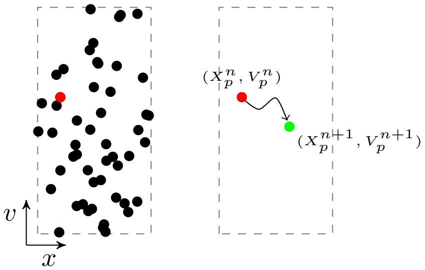

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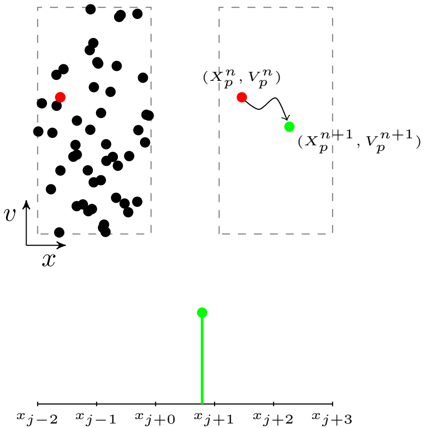

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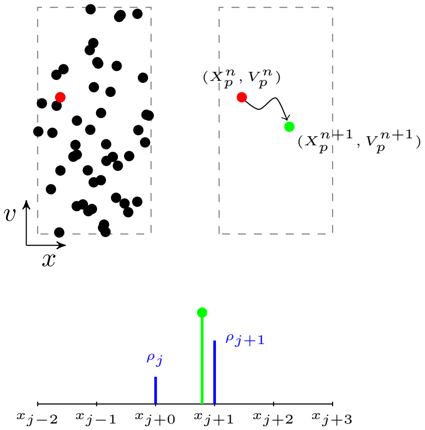

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Weighted Particle Method

Initially introduced and used by Barré et *al*[1], proof of convergence in[2].
Main idea: solve the Poisson equation explicitly in Fourier.

$$E(t,x) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}|}\sum_{k\in\mathbb{Z}^*}\frac{1}{2\pi\left|\frac{k}{L}\right|^2}\frac{k}{L}\left[\sin\left(2\pi k\cdot\frac{x}{L}\right)C_k(t) - \cos\left(2\pi k\cdot\frac{x}{L}\right)S_k(t)\right],$$

where

$$C_k(t) := \int_{\mathbb{T}\times\mathbb{R}} \cos\left(2\pi k\frac{y}{L}\right) f(t,y,v)dydv,$$
$$S_k(t) := \int_{\mathbb{T}\times\mathbb{R}} \sin\left(2\pi k\frac{y}{L}\right) f(t,y,v)dydv.$$

[1] Julien Barré, Alain Olivetti, and Yoshiyuki Y Yamaguchi. "Algebraic Damping in the One-Dimensional Vlasov Equation". In: *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical* 44.40 (Oct. 2011), p. 405502. ISSN: 1751-8113, 1751-8121. DOI: 10.1088/1751-8113/44/40/405502.

[2] YLH. "Grid-free Weighted Particle method applied to the Vlasov-Poisson equation". en. In: 2022, p. 40. URL: https://hal.science/hal-03736227.

Measure-preserving property:

$$C_k(t) = \int_{\mathbb{T}\times\mathbb{R}} \cos\left(2\pi k \frac{y}{L}\right) f(t,y,v)dydv$$
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$\rightarrow$ quadrature in (x,u) $\rightarrow$ time-integration for each (x_i,u_j).

Weighted Dirac particles appear naturally!

Truncation to $|k| \leq K$, $K \in \mathbb{N}^*$

$$E^K(t,x) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}|} \sum_{\substack{k \in \mathbb{Z}^* \\ |k| \leq K}} \frac{1}{2\pi \left|\frac{k}{L}\right|^2} \frac{k}{L} \left[\sin\left(2\pi k \cdot \frac{x}{L}\right) C_k^K(t) - \cos\left(2\pi k \cdot \frac{x}{L}\right) S_k^K(t) \right].$$

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A few remarks

- Need characteristics forward in time (easy).
- Choice of quadratures & time-integration (high-order, can even be symplectic thanks to Hamiltonian structure!).
- In practice, need to truncate $k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ to $|k| \leq K$.
- Non-Uniform Fast Fourier Transform (NUFFT) can be used to accelerate computation of C^K, S^K.
- Particle method with no deposition step, so easily provable rates of convergence.

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Weak Landau damping

$$f_0(x,v) = (1+\alpha\cos(k_x x))\exp(-v^2/2)\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \quad x \in [0,L], v \in [-v_{\max}, v_{\max}].$$

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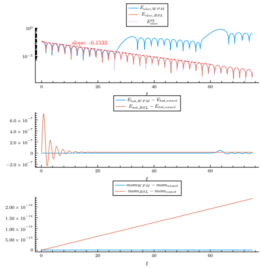

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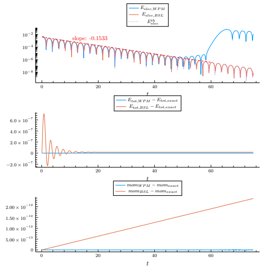

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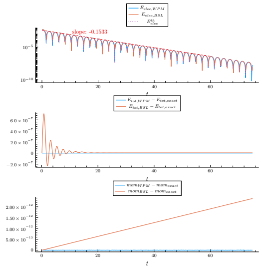

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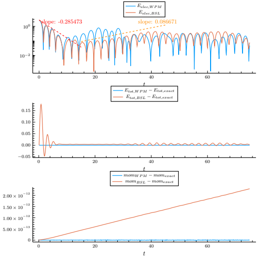

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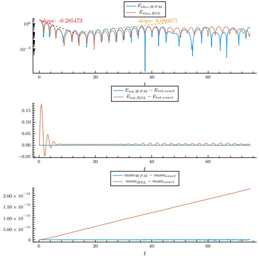

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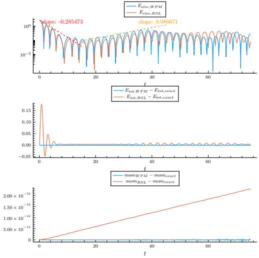

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Two-stream Instability

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for $x \in [0, 2\pi/k_x], v \in [-v_{\max}, v_{\max}]$. The numerical parameters are

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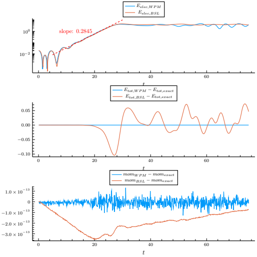

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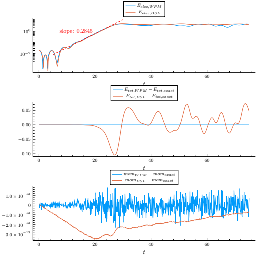

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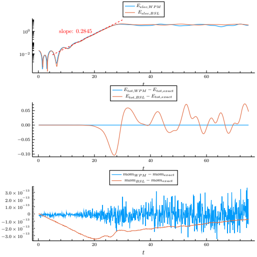

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Perspectives

- Use Monte-Carlo integration
- Consider collisions in (1.1a)
- Compare with PIC and BSL in high-dimension

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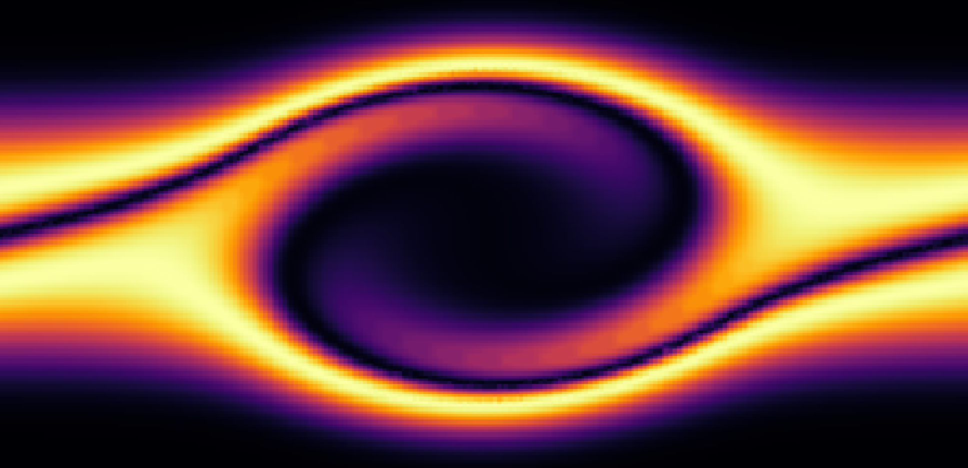

Two-Stream instability, triangulated WPM, $T = 30$, $K = 10$, 256×256 pts

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Weighted Sobolev spaces

$$||f||^2_{\mathcal{H}^r_\nu} = \sum_{\substack{(m,p,q)\in(\mathbb{N}^d)^3 \\ |p|+|q|\leq r \\ |m|\leq\nu}} \int_{\mathbb{T}\times\mathbb{R}} \left|v^m \partial_x^p \partial_v^q f(x,v)\right|^2 dvdx.$$

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Weighted Sobolev spaces

Error estimate

Numerical results with $K = 15$

Theorem (Convergence of the Weighted Particle method)

Let $j \in \mathbb{N}$ *such that* $j \geq 1 + \max_i q_i$, *and* $\nu, r, \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ *such that* $\nu + j > d/2$, $r \geq \max\left(3(\nu + j), (j-1)(d+1)\right)$, $\alpha \geq 2(r+d)$. *Let* $K \in \mathbb{N}$, *and assume* $f_0 \in \mathcal{H}^{r+\alpha}_{\nu+j}$.
Then there exists a constant $C > 0$ *such that the following holds: for* $\delta \geq 0$, *define finite intervals* $I_{d+1} := [a_1, b_1], \ldots, I_{2d} = [a_d, b_d]$ *and* $I_v := I_{d+1} \times \cdots \times I_{2d}$ *such that*

$$||f_0||_{\mathcal{H}^0_\nu(\mathbb{T}^d_L \times (\mathbb{R}^d \setminus I_v))} \leq \delta.$$

Then for all $K \in \mathbb{N}^*$, *and* $n = 1, \ldots, N_t$

$$\max_{p=1,\ldots,P} \left(\left| X_p^{K,n} - X(t^n; 0, x_p, v_p) \right| + \left| V_p^{K,n} - V(t^n; 0, x_p, v_p) \right| \right)$$
$$\leq C \left(K^d \left[\delta + K^{\gamma+1} \Delta t^\gamma + \sum_{i=1}^{2d} K^{q_i} \Delta z_i^{q_i} \right] + \frac{1}{(1+K)^{\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d}} \right)$$

where C *is independent of* $n, \Delta t, \Delta z_i, K$.

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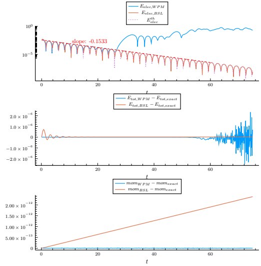

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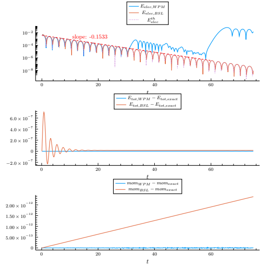

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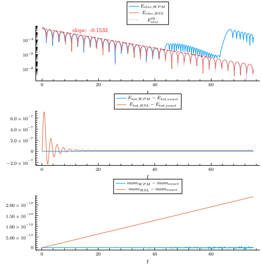

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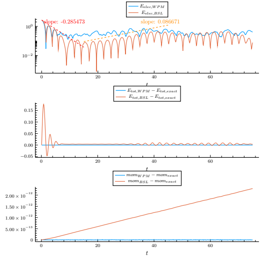

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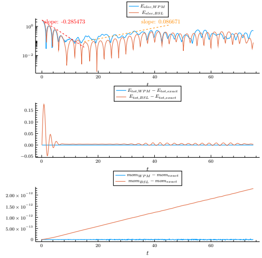

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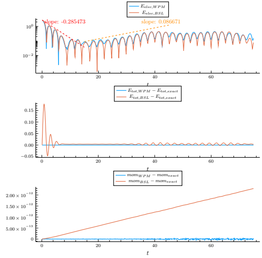

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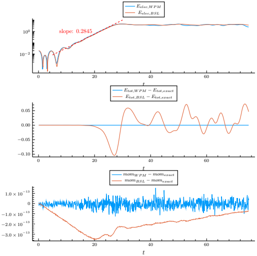

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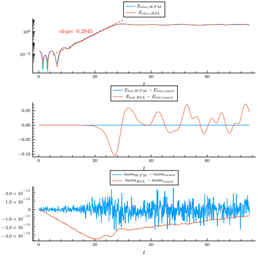

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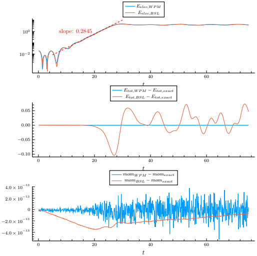

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