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# Studies on Schrödinger-Poisson Systems

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**Abstract** The bipolar (defocusing nonlinear) Schrödinger-Poisson system and quasi-linear Schrödinger-Poisson equations are studied. The wellposedness, large time behavior and modified scattering theory is established for the Cauchy problem to the bipolar (defocusing nonlinear) Schrödinger-Poisson systems. The initial-(Dirichlet) boundary problem for a high field version of the Schrödinger-Poisson equations, quasi-linear Schrödinger-Poisson equations, which include a nonlinear term in the Poisson equation corresponding to a field-dependent dielectric constant and an effective potential in the Schrödinger equations on the unit cube are also discussed.

**Key words** the bipolar defocusing nonlinear Schrödinger-Poisson system, the quasi-linear Schrödinger-Poisson systems, wellposedness of Cauchy problems, initial boundary value problem

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## 1 Introduction

The Schrödinger-Poisson system is used to simulate the transport of charged particles in semiconductor science and plasma physics. We mainly discuss the following (pure) bipolar defocusing nonlinear Schrödinger-Poisson system (BDNLSP)

$$i\epsilon\dot{\psi}_j = -\frac{\epsilon^2}{2}\Delta\psi_j + (q_jV + h_j(|\psi_j|^2))\psi_j, \quad j = 1, 2 \quad (1)$$

$$-\lambda^2\Delta V = |\psi_1|^2 - |\psi_2|^2, \quad (2)$$

with the initial data

$$\psi_j(0, \cdot) = \varphi_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \quad (3)$$

where  $\Delta$  denotes the Laplacian on  $\mathbf{R}^d$  and  $\dot{\psi}_j = \partial\psi_j/\partial t$ , the wave functions  $\psi_j = \psi_j(t, x): \mathbf{R}^{1+d} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , describe the state of the particle in the position space under the action of the electrostatic potential  $V = V(t, x)$  at every instant  $t$ . The nonlinear self-interacting potential  $h_j(s)$  is assumed to be given by

$$h_j(s) = a_j^2 s^{\gamma_j}, \text{ for } s \geq 0$$

and some

$$a_j > 0, \frac{2}{d} < \gamma_j < \alpha(d),$$

where  $\alpha(d) = 2/(d-2)$  if  $d \geq 3$  and  $\alpha(d) = \infty$  if  $d = 1, 2$ . The charges of the particles described by the wave

functions  $\psi_j$  are defined by  $q_1 = 1$  and  $q_2 = -1$ , respectively.  $\varepsilon$  is the scaled Planck constant and  $\lambda$  is the scaled Debye length.

A large amount of interesting work has been devoted to the study of the time-dependent<sup>[1-11]</sup> and time-independent<sup>[12-17]</sup> Schrödinger-Poisson systems. By applying the estimates of a modulated energy functional and the Wigner measure method, Jüngel and Wang<sup>[9]</sup> discussed the combined semi-classical and quasineutral limit of the (BDNLSP) with the initial data (3) in the whole space where  $a_1 = a_2$  and  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2$  provided the solution of (1) ~ (3) exists. And Castella<sup>[4]</sup> proved the global existence and the asymptotic behavior of solutions in the function space  $L^2$  for the mixed-state unipolar Schrödinger-Poisson systems without the defocusing nonlinearity.

## 2 Initial value problem without nonlinearity

We first study the global existence and uniqueness of solutions for the initial value problem to the following (pure state) bipolar Schrödinger-Poisson equations (BSP) without the defocusing nonlinearity

$$i\partial_t \psi = -\Delta \psi + V\psi, \quad (4)$$

$$i\partial_t \phi = -\Delta \phi - V\phi, \quad (5)$$

$$-\Delta V = |\psi|^2 - |\phi|^2, \quad (6)$$

$$\psi(0, x) = \psi_0, \phi(0, x) = \phi_0, \quad (7)$$

By using the dual space-time estimates, Strichartz' estimates and the properties of the Besov space, etc., we can obtain the following wellposedness theorem.

**Theorem 2.1** (Ref. [18]) Let  $s \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $s \geq 0$ . Let  $a \in [2, 18/7]$ . Assume that  $\psi_0, \phi_0 \in H^s(\mathbf{R}^3)$ . Then, there exists a unique solution of the IVP (4) ~ (7) for which it holds

$$\psi, \phi \in C(\mathbf{R}; H^s(\mathbf{R}^3)) \cap L_{loc}^{\gamma(a)}(\mathbf{R}; B_{a,2}^s(\mathbf{R}^3))$$

where  $2/\gamma(a) = 3(1/2 - 1/a)$ .

Moreover, when  $s$  is an integer, the result also holds with the Besov space  $B_{a,2}^s$  replaced by  $H_a^s$ .

## 3 Wellposedness to the BDNLSP system

Now we turn to the initial value problem in  $d$ -dimensional spatial space for (BDNLSP) system with assuming  $\lambda = 1$  for simplicity.

We assume that the initial data

$$\varphi_j(x) \in \sum(\mathbf{R}^d) := \{u \in H^1(\mathbf{R}^d) : |x|u \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^d)\} \quad (j = 1, 2),$$

with the norm

$$\|\psi_j\|_{\Sigma} = \|\psi_j\|_{H^1} + \||x|\psi_j\|_{L^2}.$$

We can get the following conservation laws.

**Theorem 3.1** (Conservation laws Ref. [19]) Let  $d \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $\{\psi_j\}$  be a solution to (BDNLSP) with the initial value  $\varphi_j(x) \in \sum(\mathbf{R}^d)$ . Then, we have the following conservation laws for all  $t \in \mathbf{R}$

(i)  $L^2$ -norm law:

$$\|\psi_j(t)\|_2 = \|\varphi_j\|_2 \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2;$$

(ii) Energy conservation law:

$$\varepsilon^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \|\nabla \psi_j(t)\|_2^2 + \lambda^2 \|\nabla V\|_2^2 + 2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{a_j^2}{\gamma_j + 1} \|\psi_j(t)\|_{2(\gamma_j+1)}^{2(\gamma_j+1)} = \text{const};$$

(iii) Pseudo-conformal conservation law

$$\sum_{j=1}^2 \|x\psi_j + i\varepsilon t \nabla \psi_j\|_2^2 + \lambda^2 t^2 \|\nabla V\|_2^2 + 2t^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{a_j^2}{\gamma_j + 1} \|\psi_j\|_{2(\gamma_j+1)}^{2(\gamma_j+1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ 2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{a_j^2 (d\gamma_j - 2)}{\gamma_j + 1} \int_0^t \tau \|\psi_j(\tau)\|_{\frac{2(\gamma_j+1)}{2(\gamma_j+1)}}^{2(\gamma_j+1)} d\tau \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^2 \|\ |x| \varphi_j \|_2^2 + (4 - d)\lambda^2 \int_0^t \tau \|\nabla V(\tau)\|_2^2 d\tau.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the above conservation laws, the  $L^p - L^q$  dual estimates and using the properties of the Galilei-type operator  $J(t) = x + i\epsilon t \nabla$ , we are able to prove the global existence of the smooth solutions.

**Theorem 3.2** (Existence and uniqueness Ref. [19]) Let  $\varphi_j \in \sum(\mathbf{R}^3)$ . Assume that  $\rho \in [2, 6)$ . Then, there exists a unique solution to the (BDNLSP) system (1) - (2) with the initial data (3) for which it holds

$$\psi_j \in C(\mathbf{R}; \sum(\mathbf{R}^3)) \cap L^\infty(\mathbf{R}; H^1(\mathbf{R}^3)) \cap L_{loc}^{r(\rho)}(\mathbf{R}; H_\rho^1(\mathbf{R}^3)), \text{ for } j = 1, 2.$$

Moreover, we have the following large time behavior for the solution constructed in Theorem 3.2.

**Theorem 3.3** (Large time behavior Ref. [19]) Let  $(\psi_1, \psi_2, V)$  and  $\rho$  be as in Theorem 3.2. Then, there exist constants  $C$  depending only on  $\|\varphi_j\|_{H^1}$  and  $\|\ |x| \varphi_j \|_2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\psi_j\|_\rho &\leq C |t|^{-\frac{1}{r(\rho)}}, \forall \rho \in [2, 6), \forall |t| \geq 1, \\
 \|\nabla V(t)\|_\rho &\leq C |t|^{-(1-\frac{3}{2\rho})}, \forall \rho \in (\frac{3}{2}, \infty), \forall |t| \geq 1, \\
 \|V(t)\|_\rho &\leq C |t|^{-\frac{1}{2}(1-\frac{3}{\rho})}, \forall \rho \in (3, \infty), \forall |t| \geq 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

### 4 Modified scattering theory

To study the asymptotic behavior in time and the existence of the modified scattering operator of the solutions to the (BDNLSP) system in the spatial space  $\mathbf{R}^3$ , we rewrite it as the following:

$$i\dot{\psi}_j = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta\psi_j + (q_j V(\psi_1, \psi_2) + a_j^2 |\psi_j|^p)\psi_j, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \tag{8}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{4\pi |x|} * (|\psi_1|^2 - |\psi_2|^2), \tag{9}$$

$$\psi_j(0, x) = \phi_j(x), x \in \mathbf{R}^3. \tag{10}$$

We also assume that  $4/3 < p < 4$  in the nonlinear self-interacting potential  $a_j^2 |\psi_j|^p$  where  $a_j \in \mathbf{R}$ .

We consider the Cauchy problem under the following condition on initial data

$$\phi_j \in H^{\gamma,0} \cap H^{0,\gamma},$$

with

$$\gamma > 3/2, j = 1, 2$$

and the norm  $\sum_{j=1,2} \|\phi_j\|_{\gamma,0} + \|\phi_j\|_{0,\gamma}$  is sufficiently small, where the space  $H^{\gamma,\nu}$  is the usual weighted Sobolev space defined by

$$H^{\gamma,\nu} := \{u \in L^2 : \|u\|_{\gamma,\nu} = \|(1 + |x|^2)^{\nu/2} (1 - \Delta)^{\gamma/2} u\|_2 < \infty\}, \gamma, \nu \in \mathbf{R}.$$

We can get the following theorems on the existence and scattering theory.

**Theorem 4.1** (Global existence Ref. [20]) We assume that  $\phi_j \in H^{\gamma,0} \cap H^{0,\gamma}$  and  $\sum_{j=1,2} [\|\phi_j\|_{\gamma,0} + \|\phi_j\|_{0,\gamma}] =: \epsilon_1 \leq \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small and  $3/2 < \gamma \leq 5/3$ . Then there exists a unique global solution  $(\psi_1, \psi_2, V)$  to the above Cauchy problem such that for  $j = 1, 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi_j &\in C(\mathbf{R}; H^{\gamma,0} \cap H^{0,\gamma}), \\
 \|\psi_j(t)\|_\infty &\leq C\epsilon_1 (1 + |t|)^{-3/2}, \\
 \|V(t)\|_\infty &\leq C\epsilon_1 (|t|^{-a+C(\epsilon_1^2+\epsilon_1^p)} + |t|^{1-\frac{3p}{2}+C(\epsilon_1^2+\epsilon_1^p)}), t \in \mathbf{R}.
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $C\varepsilon < \alpha < 1, 4/3 < p < 4$ .

**Theorem 4.2** (Asymptotic behavior Ref. [20]) Let  $(\psi_1, \psi_2)$  be the solution obtained in Theorem 4.1. Then for any  $\phi_j \in H^{\gamma,0} \cap H^{0,\gamma}, j = 1, 2$ , there exist a unique pair of functions  $(\mathcal{W}_1, \mathcal{W}_2)$  with  $\mathcal{W}_j \in L^\infty, j = 1, 2$ , and a real-valued function  $\Lambda \in L^\infty$  such that for all  $|t| \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \mathcal{F}(S(-t)\psi_j(t)) e^{-iq_j \int_{\Lambda(t)}^{V(\hat{\psi}_1, \hat{\psi}_2)} \frac{d\tau}{|\tau|} } - \mathcal{W}_j \|_\infty \\ & \leq C\varepsilon_1 (|t|^{-\alpha + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)} + |t|^{1 - \frac{3p}{2} + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)}), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_{\Lambda(t)}^{V(\hat{\psi}_1, \hat{\psi}_2)} V(\hat{\psi}_1, \hat{\psi}_2) |\tau|^{-1} d\tau - V(\mathcal{W}_1, \mathcal{W}_2) \ln|t| - \Lambda \right\|_\infty \\ & \leq C\varepsilon_1 (|t|^{-\alpha + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)} + |t|^{1 - \frac{3p}{2} + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)})^\theta, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Lambda(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq 1 \\ t, & t \leq -1 \end{cases}, V(t) = \begin{cases} t, & t \geq 1 \\ -1, & t \leq -1 \end{cases}, 0 < \theta < 2/3, C\varepsilon < \alpha < 1$  and  $\gamma > 3/2 + 2\alpha$ . We recall that  $\varepsilon_1$

is defined in Theorem 4.1. Furthermore, we have the estimate for  $|t| \geq 1$  that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \mathcal{F}(S(-t)\psi_j) - \mathcal{W}_j e^{iq_j (V(\mathcal{W}_1, \mathcal{W}_2) \ln|t| + \Lambda)} \|_\infty \\ & \leq C\varepsilon_1 (|t|^{-\alpha + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)} + |t|^{1 - \frac{3p}{2} + C(\varepsilon_1^2 + \varepsilon_1^p)})^\theta. \end{aligned}$$

### 5 Initial-boundary value problems for quasi-linear Schrödinger-Poisson equations

In this section, we consider the self-consistent quasi-linear Schrödinger-Poisson system (QSP) on the unit cube  $\Omega := (0, 1)^d$

$$i\partial_t \psi_m = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta \psi_m + V \psi_m, m \in \mathbf{N} \tag{11}$$

$$-\nabla \cdot ((\varepsilon_0 + \varepsilon_1 |\nabla V|^2) \nabla V) = n - n^*, \tag{12}$$

$$n(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^\infty \lambda_m |\psi_m(x, t)|^2, \tag{13}$$

with the following initial and boundary conditions

$$\psi_m(x, 0) = \phi_m(x), \tag{14}$$

$$\psi_m(x, t) = 0, \text{ on } \partial\Omega, \tag{15}$$

$$V(x, t) = 0, \text{ on } \partial\Omega, \tag{16}$$

where  $d \in \mathbf{N}, d \leq 3, t \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1 > 0$ .  $\{\psi_m(x, t)\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$  is a sequence of complex valued wave functions. The electrostatic potential  $V(x, t)$  is a real valued function.  $\{\lambda_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$  is a specified sequence of probabilities, with

$\sum_{m \in \mathbf{N}} \lambda_m = 1$ .  $n^*$  is a given time-independent dopant density which may be represented as

$$n^* = n_D^+ - n_A^-,$$

where  $n_D^+$  is the density of donors and  $n_A^-$  is the density of acceptors. We always look forward to seeking a solution satisfying the following charge neutrality:

$$\int_\Omega (n - n^*) dx = 0.$$

We introduce the following spaces

$$X := \{ \Psi = (\psi_m)_{m \in \mathbf{N}} : \psi_m \in L^2(\Omega),$$

$$\| \Psi \|_X = \left( \sum_{m \in \mathbf{N}} \lambda_m \| \psi_m \|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty \},$$

$$X^1 := \{ \Psi = (\psi_m)_{m \in \mathbf{N}} : \psi_m \in H_0^1(\Omega), \\ \| \Psi \|_{X^1} = \left( \sum_{m \in \mathbf{N}} \lambda_m \| \psi_m \|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty \},$$

and

$$X^2 := \{ \Psi = (\psi_m)_{m \in \mathbf{N}} : \psi_m \in H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega), \\ \| \Psi \|_{X^2} = \left( \sum_{m \in \mathbf{N}} \lambda_m \| \psi_m \|_{H^2(\Omega)}^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty \}.$$

Resorting to the techniques of quasi-linear elliptic PDE (cf. Ref. [21, 22]), the Sobolev embedding theorem and the Schauder fixed point theorem, we obtain the following existence theorem.

**Theorem 5.1** (Ref. [23]) Let  $\Phi = (\phi_m)_{m \in \mathbf{N}} \in X^2$  and  $n^* \in C^1(\bar{\Omega})$ . Then there is a unique solution  $(\Psi, V)$  such that

$$\Psi \in C^1(\mathbf{R}; X) \cap C(\mathbf{R}; X^2), \\ V \in C(\mathbf{R}; X^2),$$

with the conserved quantities

- (i)  $\| \Psi(\cdot, t) \|_X = \| \Phi(\cdot) \|_X,$
- (ii)  $\| \nabla \Psi(\cdot, t) \|_X^2 + \epsilon_0 \| \nabla V(\cdot, t) \|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{3}{2} \epsilon_1 \| \nabla V(\cdot, t) \|_{L^4(\Omega)}^4 = \text{constant}.$

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## 关于 Schrödinger-Poisson 系统的研究

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**摘 要** 研究了双极(非线性) Schrödinger-Poisson 系统和拟线性 Schrödinger-Poisson 方程, 得到了双极 Schrödinger-Poisson 系统的整体适定性及其修正散射理论, 以及单位方体上的具有 Dirichlet 边值条件的拟线性 Schrödinger-Poisson 方程的初边值问题整体解的存在唯一性.

**关键词** 双极 Schrödinger-Poisson 系统, 拟线性 Schrödinger-Poisson 方程组, 初值问题适定性, 初边值问题