

McMaster Talk

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$$\text{KdV}_p^{\pm} \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u + \partial_x^3 u \pm \partial_x \left(\frac{1}{p+1} u^{p+1} \right) = 0 & u: (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ u(0, x) = \phi(x). \end{cases}$$

Q: Does \pm choice result in distinct equations?

① equation under $u \mapsto -u$ transformation:

$$-\partial_t u - \partial_x^3 u \pm (-1)^{p+1} \partial_x \left(\frac{1}{p+1} u^{p+1} \right) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{even} & \pm \text{ flips to } \mp \text{ under } u \mapsto -u. \\ p+1 \\ \text{odd} & \text{equation is invariant under } u \mapsto -u. \end{cases}$$

② Hamiltonian Structure.

$$H[u] = \int \frac{1}{2} u_x^2 \mp \frac{1}{(p+2)(p+1)} u^{p+2} dx. \quad \text{is conserved.}$$

$$u_t = \partial_x \frac{\delta H}{\delta u} \iff u_t + u_{xxx} + \left(\frac{1}{p+1} u^{p+1} \right)_x = 0.$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{odd} & u \mapsto -u \text{ switches } \mp \text{ to } \pm. \\ p+2 \\ \text{even} & u \mapsto -u \text{ leaves } H[u] \text{ invariant.} \end{cases}$$

If $p+1$ is odd, KdV_p^{\pm} is $\begin{array}{l} + \text{focusing} \\ - \text{defocusing} \end{array}$.

If $p+1$ is even, KdV_p^{\pm} is neither focusing nor defocusing.

KdV_p^\pm is locally well-posed in a Banach space \mathcal{X} if
 $\exists \quad T = T(\|\phi\|_{\mathcal{X}}) > 0$ and a "solution" of KdV_p^\pm s.t.
(1) $v \in C([0, T]; \mathcal{X}) \cap \overline{\mathcal{X}}_T = \mathbb{X}_T$.

(2) The data-to-solution map from $\mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathbb{X}_T$
is uniformly continuous: $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$\|\phi^1 - \phi^2\|_{\mathcal{X}} < \delta \implies \|v^1 - v^2\|_{\mathbb{X}_T} < \varepsilon$$

with $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon, M)$ where $\|\phi^{1,2}\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq M$.

Sharp well-posedness problem

Find the largest space \mathcal{X} of initial data for which
 KdV_p^\pm is LWP.

We restrict our attention to \mathcal{X} among the L^2 -based
Sobolev spaces $H^s(\mathbb{R})$. \exists recent work (Vargas-Vega,
Tataru, CKS, ...) pushing the envelope outside
the $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ scale.

Scaling Heuristic

Suppose $v \in \mathcal{X} \subset \text{KdV}_p^\pm$. Form $\forall \tau > 0$

$$v_\tau(x, t) = \tau^{-\alpha} v(\tau x, \tau^3 t).$$

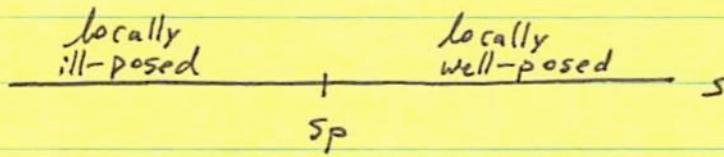
Choose α such that $\alpha + 3 = \alpha(p+1) + 1$

$$\alpha = \frac{2}{p}.$$

Then v_τ also $\in \text{KdV}_p^\pm$.

$$\|D_x^s v(t, x)\|_{L_x^2} = \nabla^{\frac{2}{p} + s - \frac{1}{2}} \|D_x^s u_{\nu=1}(t, x)\|_{L_x^2}$$

Scaling invariant Sobolev index : $s_p = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{p}$.



(heuristic).

Known Results [KPV, BKPSV, G]

P	Scaling	<u>H^s well-posedness</u>	<u>H^s ill-posedness</u>
1	$-\frac{3}{2}$	$-\frac{3}{4} \leq s$	KdV : $s < -\frac{3}{4}$
2	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4} \leq s$	focusing : $s < \frac{1}{4}$
3	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{6} < s$	$s < -\frac{1}{6}$
$p \geq 4$	$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{p}$	$s_p \leq s$	focusing: $s < s_p$.

[cct] results.

We expect the ill-posedness result to extend to $\text{KdV}_{p \geq 4}^{\text{defocusing}}$.

We conjecture KdV is GWP in $H^{\frac{3}{4}}(\mathbb{R})$ [CKSTT].

using techniques I described here 346 days ago

∴ corresponding story for cubic NLS on \mathbb{R} :

$$\begin{cases} -i\partial_t v + \partial_x^2 v \pm |v|^2 v = 0, & v: (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ v(0, x) = \phi(x). \end{cases}$$

+ focus
- defocus

Scaling

$$-\frac{1}{2}$$

H^s well-posedness

$$0 \leq s \quad [\text{T}, \text{CW}, \text{GV}]$$

H^s ill-posedness

~~focusing~~: $s < 0$.



Pseudo-Conformal Transformation

The formulas

$$u(x, t) = \int e^{ix\xi} e^{-it|\xi|^2} \hat{\phi}(\xi) d\xi = \frac{c}{(it)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \int e^{-i\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}} \phi(y) dy$$

represent solutions of $i\partial_t u + \partial_x^2 u = 0$, $u(0) = \phi$. Replacing t by $\frac{1}{t}$ in the multiplier formula reveals an expression similar to the convolution representation. Following this idea....

$$(y, s) := \left(\frac{x}{1+t}, \frac{1}{1+t} \right), \quad (x, t) = \left(\frac{y}{s}, \frac{1-s}{s} \right).$$

$v = pc(u)$, $u = pc^{-1}(v)$ defined by

$$u(x, t) = (1+t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{ix^2}{4(t+1)}} v(y, s),$$

$$v(y, s) = s^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{iy^2}{4s}} u(x, t).$$

Properties of pc :

pc is a linear isometry on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

$$iv_s + v_{yy} = s^{-\frac{5}{2}} e^{\frac{iy^2}{4s}} (-iu_t + u_{xx}), \quad \forall u.$$

New Results

The following statements are proved in work in progress with
Mike Christ and Terry Tao.

Theorem [CCT]: Defocussing cubic NLS is ill-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$, $s < 0$ (scaling is $-\frac{1}{2}$).

Defocussing KdV_2 is ill-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$, $s < \frac{1}{4}$.

\mathbb{R} -valued KdV_1 is ill-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$, $-1 \leq s < -\frac{3}{4}$.

Theorem [CCT]: KdV_1 is LWP in $H^{-\frac{3}{4}}(\mathbb{R})$.

We conjecture that KdV_1 is GWP in $H^{-\frac{3}{4}}(\mathbb{R})$. However, the space-time space Y_T encountered in the local proof at $-\frac{3}{4}$ differs from the $X_{s,b}$ -space used for $-\frac{3}{4} < s$ so a direct adaptation of **[CKSTT]** does not work.

[BKPVS] ill-posedness results exploit solitary wave solutions

$$v(x, t) = f(x-t) \rightarrow \text{KdV}_p^+ \rightarrow \text{ODE}. \quad (\text{Assume } f \text{ decays})$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$f_p(x-t) = \left(\frac{p+2}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \operatorname{sech}^{\frac{2}{p}}\left(\frac{p}{2}(x-t)\right).$$

These can be scaled

$$f_{p,\sigma}(x-\sigma^2 t) = \sigma^{\frac{2}{p}} c_p \operatorname{sech}^{\frac{2}{p}}\left(\frac{p}{2}\sigma(x-\sigma^2 t)\right)$$

Define sequences $\{\nabla_1\}$, $\{\nabla_2\}$ such that $\nabla_i \rightarrow \infty$
with

$$\frac{\nabla_1}{\nabla_2} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\nabla_2^2 - \nabla_1^2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

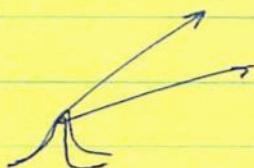
$$\text{e.g. } \nabla_1 = n, \quad \nabla_2 = n+1.$$

$$\| D_x^{s_p} (f_{p,\nabla_1}(x) - f_{p,\nabla_2}(x)) \|_{L_x^2} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } \nabla_i \rightarrow \infty.$$

Fix t . As $\nabla_i \rightarrow \infty$

$$\| D_x^{s_p} (f_{p,\nabla_1}(x-\nabla_1^2 t) - f_{p,\nabla_2}(x-\nabla_2^2 t)) \|_{L_x^2} \gtrsim 1.$$

Hence, there is no uniform continuity in \dot{H}^{s_p} .



Defocussing problems d/n have solitary wave solutions.

$$u(x, t) = f(x - ct) \rightarrow u_t + u_{xxx} - u^2 u_x = 0.$$

$$-cf' + f''' - f^2 f' = 0.$$

Multiply by xf and integrate

$$\int \left[-cx \left(\frac{1}{2}f^2 \right)' + xf f''' - x \left(\frac{1}{4}f^4 \right)' \right] dx = 0.$$

\Rightarrow

$$\int \left[\frac{c}{2}f^2 - (xf)'f'' + \frac{1}{4}f^4 \right] dx = 0$$

$(f + xf')$

$$+ (f')^2 - x \left(\frac{1}{2}(f')^2 \right)'$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \int \left[\frac{c}{2}f^2 + \frac{3}{2}(f')^2 + \frac{1}{4}f^4 \right] dx = 0.$$

If $c \geq 0$ then $f = 0$.

A similar argument shows this for $c < 0$.

ODE Approximation Lemma: Let $w \in \tilde{H}^7(\mathbb{R})$ have norm $O(\epsilon)$ for small enough ϵ . Then $\exists v_1(w) = v_1 \in \tilde{H}^7(\mathbb{R})$ and an evolution $v_1 \longmapsto v^{\langle w \rangle}$ solving $pc(NLS)$ such that

$$\|v^{\langle w \rangle} - v^{[w]}\|_{\tilde{H}^5(\mathbb{R})} \lesssim \epsilon s(1 + |\log s|)^C.$$

The map $w \longmapsto v^{\langle w \rangle}$ is Lipschitz from $\{w \in \tilde{H}^7 : \|w\|_{\tilde{H}^7} \lesssim \epsilon\}$ to $L^\infty((0, 1]; \tilde{H}_y^5)$:

$$\sup_{0 < s \leq 1} \|v^{\langle w' \rangle} - v^{\langle w \rangle}\|_{\tilde{H}_y^5} \lesssim \|w' - w\|_{\tilde{H}_y^7}.$$

(The proof uses Duhamel's formula for the difference between the two evolutions.) *Energy estimates*

Decoherence Lemma: If $a, a' \in [\frac{1}{2}, 2]$ and $a \neq a'$ then

$$\limsup_{s \rightarrow 0+} \|v^{[aw]}(s) - v^{[a'w]}\|_{L_y^2} \gtrsim 1.$$

(Wait a long time and the log pushes the phases apart.)

The initial value problem for defocussing cubic NLS transforms under pc into $pc(NLS)$:

$$iv_s + v_{yy} = \frac{1}{s}|v|^2v,$$

$$v(1, y) = v_1(y) = e^{iy^2} \phi(y).$$

($t \in [0 \rightarrow \infty)$ corresponds to $s \in (0 \leftarrow 1]$.)

We ignore the dispersive term v_{yy} and consider the ODE

$$iv_t = \frac{1}{s}|v|^2v.$$

(This idea was suggested to us by Kenji Nakanishi and goes back to work of Ozawa.) $\forall w : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{C}$, the ODE has explicit solutions

$$v^{[w]}(s, y) := w(y)e^{-i|w(y)|^2 \log s}.$$

Note that:

$$|\partial_y^2 v^{[w]}| \lesssim |\log s|^2 \ll \frac{1}{s}$$

$v^{[w]}$ forms a singularity as $s \rightarrow 0^+$.

Combining the two lemmas and pc^{-1} , we can prove that the L^2 global well-posedness of cubic NLS is **not uniform in time**. (Our argument actually shows the global well-posedness of cubic NLS in H^5 is not uniform in time. The approximation via the ODE solution also proves there is no scattering in L^2 for the cubic defocussing NLS evolution.

Using the lemmas, pc^{-1} , and the dilation and Galilean invariances, we construct global-in-time solutions $u^{(a)}$, $u^{(a')}$ of defocussing cubic NLS satisfying: Let $-5 < s < 0$, $0 < \delta \ll \epsilon < 1$, $T > 0$ be arbitrary,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u^{(a)}(0)\|_{H_x^s}, \|u^{(a')}(0)\|_{H_x^s} &\lesssim \epsilon, \\ \|u^{(a)}(0) - u^{(a')}(0)\|_{H_x^s} &\lesssim \delta, \\ \sup_{0 \leq t < T} \|u^{(a)}(t) - u^{(a')}(t)\|_{H_x^s} &\gtrsim \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$