

# Mean Field Limits for Ginzburg-Landau Vortices

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# The Ginzburg-Landau equations

$$u : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$-\Delta u = \frac{u}{\varepsilon^2} (1 - |u|^2) \quad \text{Ginzburg-Landau equation (GL)}$$

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u + \frac{u}{\varepsilon^2} (1 - |u|^2) \quad \text{parabolic GL equation (PGL)}$$

$$i\partial_t u = \Delta u + \frac{u}{\varepsilon^2} (1 - |u|^2) \quad \text{Gross-Pitaevskii equation (GP)}$$

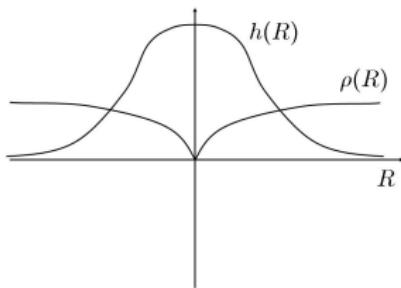
Associated energy

$$E_\varepsilon(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{(1 - |u|^2)^2}{2\varepsilon^2}$$

Models: superconductivity, superfluidity, Bose-Einstein condensates, nonlinear optics

# Vortices

- ▶ in general  $|u| \leq 1$ ,  $|u| \simeq 1$  = superconducting/superfluid phase,  
 $|u| \simeq 0$  = normal phase
- ▶  $u$  has zeroes with nonzero degrees = **vortices**
- ▶  $u = \rho e^{i\varphi}$ , characteristic length scale of  $\{\rho < 1\}$  is  $\varepsilon$  = vortex core size



- ▶ degree of the vortex at  $x_0$ :

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \tau} = d \in \mathbb{Z}$$

- ▶ In the limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  vortices become *points*, (or curves in dimension 3).

# Solutions of (GL), bounded number $N$ of vortices

- ▶ minimal energy

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## Dynamics, bounded number $N$ of vortices

- ▶ For well-prepared initial data,  $d_i = \pm 1$ , solutions to (PGL) have vortices which converge (after some time-rescaling) to solutions to

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = -\nabla_i W(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

[Lin '96, Jerrard-Soner '98, Lin-Xin '99, Spirn '02, Sandier-S '04]

- ▶ For well-prepared initial data,  $d_i = \pm 1$ , solutions to (GP)

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = -\nabla_i^\perp W(x_1, \dots, x_N) \quad \nabla^\perp = (-\partial_2, \partial_1)$$

[Colliander-Jerrard '98, Spirn '03, Bethuel-Jerrard-Smets '08]

- ▶ All these hold up to collision time
- ▶ For (PGL), extensions beyond collision time and for ill-prepared data  
[Bethuel-Orlandi-Smets '05-07, S. '07]

## A word about dimension 3 (or higher)

- ▶ Leading order of the energy becomes  $\pi|d|L|\log \varepsilon|$  where  $L$ = length (or area) of vortex line (integer multiplicity rectifiable current)
- ▶ Minimizers/solutions to (GL) converge to length minimizing / stationary currents (= straight lines)  
[Rivi  re '95, Lin-Rivi  re '01, Sandier '01, Bethuel-Brezis-Orlandi '01, Jerrard-Soner '02, Alberti-Baldo-Orlandi '03, Bourgain-Brezis-Mironescu '04]
- ▶ (PGL) → mean curvature motion (Brakke)  
[Bethuel-Orlandi-Smets '06]
- ▶ (GP) → binormal flow (partial results)  
[Jerrard '02]

# Vorticity

- ▶ In the case  $N_\varepsilon \rightarrow \infty$ , describe the vortices via the **vorticity** :  
supercurrent

$$j_\varepsilon := \langle iu_\varepsilon, \nabla u_\varepsilon \rangle \quad \langle a, b \rangle := \frac{1}{2}(a\bar{b} + \bar{a}b)$$

vorticity

$$\mu_\varepsilon := \operatorname{curl} j_\varepsilon$$

- ▶  $\simeq$  vorticity in fluids, but quantized:  $\mu_\varepsilon \simeq 2\pi \sum_i d_i \delta_{a_i^\varepsilon}$
- ▶  $\frac{\mu_\varepsilon}{2\pi N_\varepsilon} \rightarrow \mu$  signed measure, or probability measure,

# Mean-field limit for stationary solutions

If  $u_\varepsilon$  is a solution to (GL) and  $N_\varepsilon \gg 1$  then  $\mu_\varepsilon/N_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mu$  solution to

$$\mu \nabla h = 0 \quad h = -\Delta^{-1} \mu$$

in a suitable weak sense ( $\simeq$  Delort):

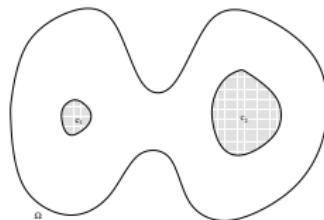
$$T_\mu := -\nabla h \otimes \nabla h + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla h|^2 \delta_i^j$$

Weak relation is

$$\operatorname{div} T_\mu = 0 \quad \text{in "finite parts"}$$

[Sandier-S '04]

$\rightsquigarrow h$  is constant on the support of  $\mu$



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with  $\operatorname{curl} v \in L^\infty(L^1)$ .

Let  $\{u_\varepsilon\}_{\varepsilon>0}$  be solutions associated to initial conditions  $u_\varepsilon^0$ , with  $|u_\varepsilon^0| \leq 1$  and  $\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^0, 0) \leq o(N_\varepsilon^2)$ . Then, for every  $t \geq 0$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{N_\varepsilon} \langle \nabla u_\varepsilon, iu_\varepsilon \rangle \rightarrow v \quad \text{in } L^2(\mathbb{R}^2).$$

Implies of course the convergence of the vorticity  $\mu_\varepsilon/N_\varepsilon \rightarrow \operatorname{curl} v$

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- if  $N_\varepsilon \ll |\log \varepsilon|$

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- if  $N_\varepsilon \sim \lambda |\log \varepsilon|$

$$\partial_t v = \frac{1}{\lambda} \nabla \operatorname{div} v - 2v \operatorname{curl} v \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^2. \quad (\text{L2})$$

Assume  $\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon^0, 0) \leq \pi N_\varepsilon |\log \varepsilon| + o(N_\varepsilon^2)$ ,  $|u_\varepsilon^0| \leq 1$  and  $\operatorname{curl} v(0) \geq 0$ .  
Then  $\forall t \leq T$  we have

$$\frac{1}{N_\varepsilon} \langle \nabla u_\varepsilon, iu_\varepsilon \rangle \rightarrow v \quad \text{in } L_{loc}^p(\mathbb{R}^2), \quad p < 2.$$

Taking the curl of the equation yields back the (CRSE) equation if  $N_\varepsilon \ll |\log \varepsilon|$ , but *not* if  $N_\varepsilon \propto |\log \varepsilon|$ !

# Proof method

- ▶ Go around the question of minimal vortex distances by using instead the modulated energy and showing a Gronwall inequality on  $\mathcal{E}$ .
- ▶ the proof relies on algebraic simplifications in computing  $\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon(t))$  which reveal only quadratic terms
- ▶ Uses the regularity of  $v$  to bound corresponding terms
- ▶ An insight is to think of  $v$  as a spatial gauge vector and  $\operatorname{div} v$  (resp.  $p$ ) as a temporal gauge

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$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon(t), t)}{dt} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} N_\varepsilon \underbrace{(N_\varepsilon v - j_\varepsilon)}_{\text{linear term}} \cdot \underbrace{\partial_t v}_{2v^\perp \operatorname{curl} v + \nabla p} - N_\varepsilon V_\varepsilon \cdot v$$

linear term a priori controlled by  $\sqrt{\mathcal{E}} \rightsquigarrow$  unsufficient

But

$$\operatorname{div} \tilde{S}_\varepsilon = -N_\varepsilon (N_\varepsilon v - j_\varepsilon)^\perp \operatorname{curl} v - N_\varepsilon v^\perp \mu_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2} N_\varepsilon V_\varepsilon$$

Multiply by  $2v$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} 2v \cdot \operatorname{div} \tilde{S}_\varepsilon = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} -N_\varepsilon (N_\varepsilon v - j_\varepsilon) \cdot 2v^\perp \operatorname{curl} v + N_\varepsilon V_\varepsilon \cdot v$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon}{dt} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} 2 \underbrace{\tilde{S}_\varepsilon}_{\substack{\text{controlled by } \mathcal{E}_\varepsilon}} : \underbrace{\nabla v}_{\substack{\text{bounded}}}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Gronwall OK: if  $\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon(u_\varepsilon(0)) \leq o(N_\varepsilon^2)$  it remains true (vortex energy is  $\pi N_\varepsilon |\log \varepsilon| \ll N_\varepsilon^2$  in the regime  $N_\varepsilon \gg |\log \varepsilon|$ )

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The vortex energy  $\pi N_\varepsilon |\log \varepsilon|$  is no longer negligible with respect to  $N_\varepsilon^2$ . We now need to prove

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon}{dt} \leq C(\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon - \pi N_\varepsilon |\log \varepsilon|) + o(N_\varepsilon^2).$$

Need all the tools on vortex analysis:

- ▶ vortex ball construction [Sandier '98, Jerrard '99, Sandier-S '00, S-Tice '08]: allows to bound the energy of the vortices from below in disjoint vortex balls  $B_i$  by  $\pi |d_i| |\log \varepsilon|$  and deduce that the energy outside of  $\cup_i B_i$  is controlled by the excess energy  $\mathcal{E}_\varepsilon - \pi N_\varepsilon |\log \varepsilon|$
- ▶ “product estimate” of [Sandier-S '04] allows to control the velocity:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int V_\varepsilon \cdot v \right| &\leq \frac{2}{|\log \varepsilon|} \left( \int |\partial_t u_\varepsilon - iu_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon \phi|^2 \int |(\nabla u_\varepsilon - iu_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon v) \cdot v|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|\log \varepsilon|} \left( \frac{1}{2} \int |\partial_t u_\varepsilon - iu_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon \phi|^2 + 2 \int |(\nabla u_\varepsilon - iu_\varepsilon N_\varepsilon v) \cdot v|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

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