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# III-Posedness of the Third Order NLS Equation with Raman Scattering Term

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# 1 Introduction

- 3rd Order NLS with Raman Scattering Term

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u = & \alpha_1 \partial_x^3 u + i\alpha_2 \partial_x^2 u + i\gamma_1 |u|^2 u \\ & + \gamma_2 \partial_x (|u|^2 u) - i\Gamma u \partial_x (|u|^2), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$t \in [-T, T], \quad x \in \mathbf{T},$$

$$u(0, x) = u_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbf{T}. \quad (2)$$

$\alpha_j, \gamma_j, \Gamma$ ; real constants,  $\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 \neq 0$ ,  
 $\Gamma \neq 0$ .

$u : [-T, T] \times \mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  ; slowly varying envelope of electric field,

The last term on RHS of (1) represents the effect of Raman scattering.

Assume that

$$\alpha_1 \neq 0 \implies 2\alpha_2/3\alpha_1 \notin \mathbf{Z}. \quad (\text{NR})$$

Pulse with slowly varying envelope in photonic crystal fiber

V. Agrawal, “*Nonlinear Fiber Optics*”,  
Fourth Edition, Academic Press, 2007.

**Problem:** Is the Cauchy problem of (1)  
well-posed in Sobolev spaces  $H^s$ , in analytic  
function space or in the Gevrey class?

- Main Theorems on Ill-Posedness

**Theorem 1 (Kishimoto-Y.T, 2018)**

$2\alpha_2/3\alpha_1 \notin \mathbf{Z}$  ( $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ ),  $1 \leq s_1 \leq s < s_1 + 1$ .

Then,  $\exists u_0 \in H^s(\mathbf{T})$  such that for any  $T > 0$  the Cauchy problem of (1) with  $u(0) = u_0$  has no solution  $u \in C([0, T); H^{s_1}(\mathbf{T}))$ , nor solution  $u \in C((-T, 0]; H^{s_1}(\mathbf{T}))$ .

**Remark 1** (i) Instead of  $\mathbf{T}$ , when we consider (1) on  $\mathbf{R}$ , it is known that (LWP) holds in regular Sobolev spaces (Hayashi and Ozawa (1994), Chihara (1994)). The spectrum of the Laplacian on  $\mathbf{T}$  is discrete while it is continuous on  $\mathbf{R}$ . The difference between  $\mathbf{T}$

and  $\mathbf{R}$  comes from the nature of the spectrum of the Laplacian.

(ii) Even if  $\alpha_1 = 0$ , Theorem 1 holds.

## **Theorem 2 (Kishimoto-Y.T, 2018)**

$2\alpha_2/3\alpha_1 \notin \mathbf{Z}$  ( $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ ),  $s \geq 1$ ,

$u^* \in C([0, T]; H^s(\mathbf{T}))$ ; solution to (1) on  $[0, T]$  for some  $T > 0$ . Then,

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $0 < \forall \tau \leq T$ ,  $\exists$  real analytic function  $\phi$  on  $\mathbf{T}$  with  $\|\phi\|_{H^s} \leq \varepsilon$  such that either there is no solution  $u$  to (1) in  $C([0, \tau]; H^s(\mathbf{T}))$

with initial condition  $u(0) = u^*(0) + \phi$ , or such a solution exists but

$$\sup_{t \in [0, \tau]} \|u(t) - u^*(t)\|_{H^s} \geq \varepsilon^{-1}.$$

**Remark 2** Theorem 2 implies the breakdown of continuous dependence on initial data. The assertion of Theorem 2 is weaker than Theorem 1, while the former can cover a larger class of initial data than the latter.

- Idea of Proofs for Theorems 1 and 2

Conservation Law of Mass:

$$\|u(t)\|_{L^2} = \|u_0\|_{L^2}^2, \quad t \in [-T, T].$$

**Remark 3** Momentum and energy are not conserved because of Raman scattering.

(Translation and Gauge Transformation)

$$v(t, x) = u\left(t, x - \frac{\gamma_2}{\pi} \int_0^t \|u(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds\right) \times e^{-\frac{\gamma_1}{\pi} i \int_0^t \|u(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} i \int_0^t \text{Im}(\partial_x u, u) ds}.$$



Then, (1) can be written as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t v + ia\partial_x v &= \alpha_1 \partial_x^3 v + i\alpha_2 \partial_x^2 v & (3) \\
&+ i\gamma_1 \left( |v|^2 - \frac{1}{\pi} \|v(t)\|_{L^2}^2 \right) v \\
&+ \gamma_2 \left[ 2 \left( |v|^2 - \frac{1}{2\pi} \|v(t)\|_{L^2}^2 \right) \partial_x v + v^2 \partial_x \bar{v} \right] \\
&+ \frac{\Gamma}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} e^{-ikx} \\
&\times \sum_{(k_1+k_2)(k_2+k_3) \neq 0} (k_1 + k_2) \hat{v}(k_1) \hat{v}(k_2) \hat{v}(k_3),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{v}(t, k)$  denotes the Fourier transform in  $x$  of  $v(t, x)$  and

$$a = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \|u_0\|_{L^2}^2.$$

The Cauchy-Riemann type elliptic operator  $\partial_t + ia\partial_x$  appears due to the Raman scattering term, which gives rise to the ill-posedness of the Cauchy problem (1)-(2).

**Remark 4** The elliptic regularity theorem for the Cauchy-Riemann type operator yields that

no solution  $u \in C((-T, T); H^{s_1})$  for any  $T > 0$ , which is slightly weaker than Theorem 1. For the proof of Theorems 1 and 2, we need to use the dispersive nature of equation (3), which implies the smoothing type effect. This is why we need to assume (NR).

(Interaction representation)

$$w(t, x) = e^{-t(\alpha_1 \partial_x^3 + i\alpha_2 \partial_x^2)} v(t, x).$$

Apply Fourier transform in  $x$  to (3)  $\implies$

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_t \hat{w}(k) - a k \hat{w}(k) &= \frac{i\gamma_1 + i\gamma_2 k}{2\pi} |\hat{w}(k)|^2 \hat{w}(k) \\
+ \frac{i\gamma_1}{2\pi} \sum_{\substack{k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = k \\ (k_1 + k_2)(k_2 + k_3) \neq 0}} e^{it\Phi} \hat{w}(k_1) \bar{\hat{w}}(-k_2) \hat{w}(k_3) \\
+ \sum_{\substack{k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = k \\ (k_1 + k_2)(k_2 + k_3) \neq 0}} \frac{i\gamma_2 k + \Gamma(k_1 + k_2)}{2\pi} \\
&\quad \times e^{it\Phi} \hat{w}(k_1) \bar{\hat{w}}(-k_2) \hat{w}(k_3)
\end{aligned}$$

$$=: \hat{F}_1(t, k) + \hat{F}_2(t, k) + \hat{F}_3(t, k).$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(k_1, k_2, k_3) &= (\alpha_1 k^3 + \alpha_2 k^2) \\ &\quad - (\alpha_1 k_1^3 + \alpha_2 k_1^2) + (\alpha_1 (-k_2)^3 + \alpha_2 (-k_2)^2) \\ &\quad - (\alpha_1 k_3^3 + \alpha_2 k_3^2) \\ &= 3\alpha_1 (k_1 + k_2)(k_2 + k_3) \left( k_3 + k_1 + \frac{2\alpha_2}{3\alpha_1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Under the assumption  $\frac{2\alpha_2}{3\alpha_1} \notin \mathbf{Z}$ , it holds that

$$\Phi(k_1, k_2, k_3) = 0 \iff (k_1 + k_2)(k_2 + k_3) = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(k_1, k_2, k_3) \neq 0 &\implies |\Phi(k_1, k_2, k_3)| \\ &\sim |k_1 + k_2| |k_2 + k_3| |k_3 + k_1|. \end{aligned}$$

(Resonant case) If  $s \geq 1$ ,

$$|k| |\hat{F}_1(t, k)| \lesssim |k|^{-1} (|k|^s |\hat{w}(k)|)^3,$$

which is the smoothing type estimate.

(Nonresonant case) The time integration of  $\hat{F}_2$  and  $\hat{F}_3$  leads to the smoothing type effect thanks to the oscillation of  $e^{it\Phi}$ . Therefore,  $\exists u_0 \in H^s$  such that if  $T > 0$  (resp.  $T < 0$ ),

$$|e^{aTk} \hat{u}_0(k)| \longrightarrow \infty,$$

$$\left| \frac{\int_0^T e^{a(T-t')k} \hat{F}_j(t', k) dt'}{e^{aTk} \hat{u}_0(k)} \right| \longrightarrow 0$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  (resp.  $k \rightarrow -\infty$ ),  $j = 1, 2$ .

$\implies$  Theorems 1 and 2

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  - Fabio Biancalana, Heriot-Watt University



This approach is universally used amongst physicists, ...

(Private Communications)

**Remark 5** The mathematical notion of ill-posedness is interpreted as the instability of a physical system at hand. But it is not very clear whether this instability accounts for some physical phenomena or it implies just the limitation of the model.

**Remark 6** A large number of numerical

simulations for the Cauchy problem (1)-(2) have been made though it is ill-posed in Sobolev spaces. In those numerical computations, such analytic functions as Gaussian and super-Gaussian pulses are chosen as initial data. So, it is natural to expect that the Cauchy problem (1)-(2) should be solvable in the analytic function space. Indeed, we can prove the result on the unique solvability in the analytic function space.

- Solvability in Analytic Function Spaces

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{A}(r)} := \|e^{r|k|} \hat{f}(k)\|_{\ell^1(\mathbf{Z})}, \quad r > 0,$$

$$\mathcal{A}(r) := \{f \in L^2(\mathbf{T}) \mid \|f\|_{\mathcal{A}(r)} < \infty\}.$$

**Remark 7** Functions in  $\mathcal{A}(r)$  are real analytic and have analytic extensions on the strip  $\{z \in \mathbf{C} \mid |\operatorname{Im} z| < r\}$ . The function space  $\mathcal{A}(r)$  was employed by Ukai (1984) for the Boltzmann equation, by Kato and Masuda (1986) for a class of nonlinear evolution

equations and by Foias and Temam (1989) for the incompressible Navier-Stokes equations.

**Theorem 3** Let  $\alpha_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2$  be two real numbers and let  $r > 0$ . For any  $u_0 \in \mathcal{A}(r)$ , there exist  $T > 0$  such that the Cauchy problem (1)-(2) has a unique solution  $u \in C([-T, T]; \mathcal{A}(r/2))$  on  $(-T, T)$ . Moreover,  $T$  can be chosen as

$$T \gtrsim \min\{1, r\} \|u_0\|_{\mathcal{A}(r)}^{-2},$$

where the implicit constant does not depend on  $r$  and  $u_0$ .

**Remark 8** Theorem 3 is a kind of the abstract Cauchy-Kowlevsky theorem. We do not have to assume  $2\alpha_2/3\alpha_1 \notin \mathbf{Z}$  in Theorem 3. Even when  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ , Theorem 3 holds.

**Open Problem** It is not known if the solution given by Theorem 3 exists globally in time. Some numerical simulations suggest that when the initial datum is Gaussian or

super-Gaussian, the solution may exist globally in time or for a long period of time. What if the initial datum is a sech pulse of the cubic NLS?

- Ill-posedness in the Gevrey class

It is natural to ask if the Cauchy problem (1)-(2) is well-posed in the Gevrey class or not.

$$\sigma \geq 1, \quad s \geq 0, \quad a > 0,$$

$$G_{s,a}^\sigma = \{f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}; \mathbf{C});$$

$$\hat{f}(k) = O(|k|^{-s} e^{-a|k|^{1/\sigma}}), \quad |k| \rightarrow \infty\},$$

$$\|f\|_{G_{s,a}^\sigma} = \sup_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} e^{a|k|^{1/\sigma}} \langle k \rangle^s |\hat{f}_k|,$$

$$\langle k \rangle = \max\{1, |k|\}.$$

$$G^\sigma = \bigcup_{a>0} G_{0,a}^\sigma \quad (\text{Gevrey class of order } \sigma).$$

**Remark 9** The space  $G_{s,a}^\sigma$  is the Banach space while  $G^\sigma$  is not the Banach space. The Gevrey space  $G^\sigma$  is the topological space equipped with the inductive limit topology.

**Theorem 4 (Kishimoto-Y.T, 2019)** Let  $\sigma > 1$ . For any  $u_0 \in G^\sigma \setminus \bigcap_{a' > 0} G_{0,a'}^\sigma$  there exists no  $T > 0$  such that the Cauchy problem (1)–(2) has a solution in  $C([-T, T]; G^\sigma)$ .

Theorem 4 follows from the following Gevrey smoothing effect.



**Lemma 1 (Kishimoto-Y.T, 2019)** Let  $\sigma > 1$ , and let  $u(t) \in C([-T, T]; G^\sigma)$  be a solution to (1) on  $(-T, T)$  for some  $T > 0$ . Then,  $u(t) \in \bigcap_{a' > 0} G_{0, a'}^\sigma$  for all  $t \in (-T, T)$ .

Thank you  
for your attention!

(Example of initial datum) Let  $s, s_1$  be such that  $1 \leq s_1 \leq s < s_1 + 1$ . We take any  $s_0 \in (s, s_1 + 1)$  and choose initial data  $u_0$  as follows.

$$\hat{u}_0(k) := \begin{cases} |k|^{-s_0} & \text{if } k = \pm 2^j \text{ for some } j \in \mathbf{N}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

which is clearly in  $H^s(\mathbf{T})$ .

(periodic Gaussian pulse)

$$g_\lambda(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{g}_\lambda(k) e^{ikx},$$

$$\hat{g}_\lambda(k) = \lambda e^{-\lambda^2 k^2}, \quad k \in \mathbf{Z}, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

(periodic hyperbolic secant pulse)

$$h_\lambda(x) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{h}_\lambda(k) e^{ikx},$$

$$\hat{h}_\lambda(k) = \lambda\pi \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{\pi k}{2\lambda}\right), \quad k \in \mathbf{Z}, \quad \lambda > 0.$$