

Short-Time Behavior for the Exciton-Polariton Equations

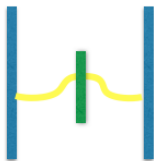
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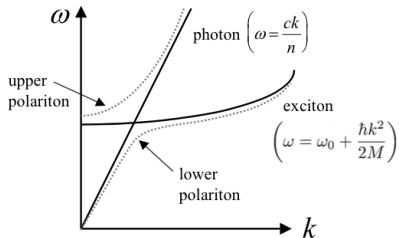
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Semiconductor cavities

Half-light & Half-matter



Strong coupling: Excitons - Photons



Exciton-Polariton: 1d micro-cavity

$\phi(x, t)$: photons $\psi(x, t)$: excitons

$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t\phi &= (\omega_c - i\kappa_c - \frac{\hbar}{2m_C}\Delta)\phi + \gamma\psi \\ i\partial_t\psi &= (\omega_x - i\kappa_x + g|\psi|^2)\psi + \gamma\phi, \end{cases}$$

Parameters:

Space: $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Frequencies: ω_x, ω_c

Attractive: $g > 0$

Attenuation rates: κ_x, κ_c

Time: $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Half of Rabi frequency: γ

Repulsive $g < 0$

$$i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + g|u|^2 u \quad \text{NLS}_3(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

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Invariance

- Spatial translation

$$u(x, t) \mapsto u(x + x_0, t)$$

- Time translation

$$u(x, t) \mapsto u(x, t + t_0)$$

- Galilean transformation

$$u(x, t) \mapsto u(x - \xi t, t)e^{i(k \cdot x - \omega t)}$$

- Scaling

$$u(x, t) \mapsto \lambda u(\lambda^2 x, \lambda t)$$

Conserved Quantities

- Number of particles (Mass)

$$M[u](t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u(x, t)|^2 dx$$

- Hamiltonian (Energy)

$$E[u](t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\nabla u(x, t)|^2 dx + \frac{g}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u|^4 dx.$$

- Momentum

$$P[u](t) = \text{Im} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \bar{u} \nabla u$$

Norms

- Lebesgue norm:

$$p_c = n$$

$$\|u\|_{L^{p_c}(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|u_\lambda\|_{L^{p_c}(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

- Sobolev norm:

$$s_c = \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

$$\|u\|_{\dot{H}^{s_c}(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|u_\lambda\|_{\dot{H}^{s_c}(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

Others conserved quantities

$$\|u\|_{L^2}^{1-s} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^s \quad \text{and} \quad M[u]^{1-s} E[u]^s$$

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|------------------|------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| • $s_c < 0$ | \implies | $n = 1$ | mass-subcritical |
| • $s_c = 0$ | \implies | $n = 2$ | mass-critical |
| • $0 < 1s_c < 1$ | \implies | $n = 3$ | mass-supercritical energy subcritical |
| • $s_c = 1$ | \implies | $n = 5$ | energy critical |
| • $s_c > 1$ | \implies | $n = 5$ | energy supercritical |

Ground State Soliton Solution

$u_Q(x, t) = e^{i\beta t} Q(\alpha x)$. - solution if $-\beta Q + \alpha^2 \Delta Q + Q^3 = 0$,

$$\alpha := \sqrt{n}, \text{ and } \beta := 1 - \frac{n-2}{2}.$$

- **Elliptic PDE theory:** infinitely many H^1 solutions
choose the minimal L^2 norm solution \Rightarrow ground state Q

Properties:

- 1 Q - positive, radial, vanishing at ∞
- 2 Minimizer for Gagliardo-Nirenberg (*Weinstein' 82*):

$$\|u\|_{L^4}^4 \leq C_{GN} \|\nabla u\|_{L^2}^n \|u\|_{L^2}^{4-n}$$

with

$$C_{GN} = \frac{2}{\|Q\|_{L^2}^2}.$$

$$u(t) = e^{it\Delta}u_0 + i \int_0^t e^{i(t-\tau)\Delta}|u|^2u(\tau)d\tau \equiv \text{NLS}(t)u_0$$

$$e^{it\Delta}u_0 \rightsquigarrow \text{NLS}(t)u_0$$

Questions:

When do solutions scatter?

$$u(t) \rightarrow e^{it\Delta}v^+ \quad \text{as} \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

When Blow-up occurs?

$$\|\nabla u(t)\|_{L^2} \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as} \quad t \rightarrow T^*$$

Lossless Polariton

$$\kappa_x = \kappa_c = 0$$

$$i\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \psi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega_c - \Delta & \gamma \\ \gamma & \omega_x - g|\psi|^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \psi \end{pmatrix}.$$

Conserved quantities

- Number of particles (Mass)

$$M[u](t) = \int (|\psi|^2 + |\phi|^2) dx$$

- Hamiltonian (Energy)

$$E[u](t) = \int \left(\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 + \omega_c |\phi|^2 + \omega_X |\psi|^2 + \frac{g}{2} |\psi|^4 + 2\gamma \operatorname{Re}(\psi \bar{\phi}) \right) dx.$$

Invariance

- Spatial translation
- Time translation

Break of Invariance

- Scaling

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \psi(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \lambda \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\lambda\mathbf{x}, \lambda^2 t) \\ \psi(\lambda\mathbf{x}, \lambda^2 t) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_x - g|\psi|^2 & \gamma \\ \gamma & \omega_c - \Delta \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2\omega_c - \Delta & \lambda^2\gamma \\ \lambda^2\gamma & \lambda^2\omega_x - g|\psi|^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Galilean transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x}, t) \\ \psi(\mathbf{x}, t) \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \phi(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\xi}t, t) \\ \psi(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\xi}t, t) \end{pmatrix} e^{i(\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \mathbf{x} - |\boldsymbol{\xi}|^2 t)},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_c - \Delta & \gamma \\ \gamma & \omega_x - g|\psi|^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_c - \Delta & \gamma \\ \gamma & \omega_x - |\boldsymbol{\xi}|^2 - g|\psi|^2 - i\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \nabla \psi \end{pmatrix}$$

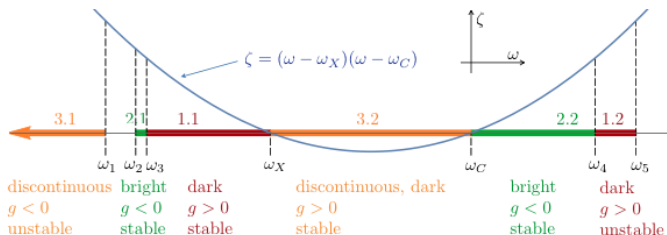
Lossless Polariton

What about the ground state?

$$\psi(x, t) = \psi(x)e^{-i\omega t},$$

$$\phi(x, t) = \phi(x)e^{-i\omega t}.$$

Komineas, Shipman, Venakides



Lossless Polariton with $\omega_c = 0$

Consider

$$i\phi_t = -\Delta\phi + \gamma\psi$$

$$i\psi_t = (\omega_X + g|\psi|^2)\psi + \gamma\phi$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(x, 0) \\ \psi(x, 0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \quad \text{with } s > \frac{n}{2}.$$

Existence of solutions to the polariton equations

Given:

$$\|\phi_0\|_{H^s} \leq \alpha N \quad \text{for} \quad N > 0, \quad \alpha \in (0, 1)$$

There exists a unique solution $\begin{pmatrix} \phi(x, t) \\ \psi(x, t) \end{pmatrix} \in C(I, H^s(\mathbb{R}^n))$ to the polariton system such that

$$\|\phi(t)\|_{H^s} < N \quad \text{and} \quad \|\psi(t)\|_{H^s} < N$$

for

$$0 \leq t \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{2\gamma + |g|N^2}.$$

Observing the photon field:

- up to what time is the effect of the exciton on the photon field negligible?

$$\begin{aligned}i\phi_t &= -\Delta\phi \\i\psi_t &= \omega_X\psi + \gamma\phi.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{Approximation A})$$

- up to what time thereafter is the effect of the nonlinearity on the photon field negligible?

$$\begin{aligned}i\phi_t &= -\Delta\phi + \gamma\psi \\i\psi_t &= \omega_X\psi + \gamma\phi.\end{aligned}\quad (\text{Approximation B})$$

Theorem

Let $\begin{pmatrix} \phi(t) \\ \psi(t) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\phi}(t) \\ \tilde{\psi}(t) \end{pmatrix} \in C([0, t_3], H^s(\mathbb{R}^n))$ $\epsilon > 0$, $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.
 $c_2 \epsilon^{1/5} < t_3$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(t) \\ \psi(t) \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \text{polariton}, \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\phi}(t) \\ \tilde{\psi}(t) \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \text{approx. A} & [0, c_1 \epsilon^{1/2}] \\ \text{approx. B} & [c_1 \epsilon^{1/2}, c_2 \epsilon^{1/5}] \\ \text{polariton} & [c_2 \epsilon^{1/5}, t_3] \end{cases}$$

IC

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(0) \\ \psi(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\phi}(0) \\ \tilde{\psi}(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\phi_0\|_s = M \neq 0$$

Then

$$\frac{\|\tilde{\phi}(t) - \phi(t)\|_s}{\|\phi(t)\|_s} \leq K_1 \epsilon + O(\epsilon^2) \quad 0 \leq t \leq c_1 \epsilon^{1/2} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0),$$

$$\frac{\|\tilde{\phi}(t) - \phi(t)\|_s}{\|\phi(t)\|_s} \leq K_2 \epsilon + O(\epsilon^{7/5}) \quad c_1 \epsilon^{1/2} \leq t \leq c_2 \epsilon^{1/5} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0).$$

- H^s Estimates
- Triangle inequality

Decay estimate

We are **NOT** using

$$\left| e^{it\Delta} \phi_0 \right| \leq C \frac{1}{t^{n/2}} \|\phi_0\|_{L^1}.$$

NLS₃(ℝ³) Theorem

$$u(t), \tilde{u}(t) \in C([0, t_2], H^s(\mathbb{R}^n))$$

$$\epsilon > 0, c_4 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } c_4\epsilon^{1/2} < t_2.$$

$$u(t) \mapsto \text{NLS}_3(\mathbb{R}^n) \quad \tilde{u}(t) \mapsto \begin{cases} iu_t = -\Delta u & 0 < t \leq c_4\epsilon^{1/2} \\ \text{NLS}_3(\mathbb{R}^n) & c_4\epsilon^{1/2} < t < t_2 \end{cases}$$

IC:

$$u(x, 0) = \tilde{u}(x, 0) = u_0(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \|u_0\|_s = N$$

Then

$$\frac{\|\tilde{u}(t) - u(t)\|_s}{\|u(t)\|_s} \leq K_4\epsilon + O(\epsilon^{1/4}) \quad 0 \leq t \leq c_4\epsilon^{1/2} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0).$$

NLS₃(ℝ³) Theorem -small data

$$u(t), \tilde{u}(t) \in C([0, t_2], H^s(\mathbb{R}^n))$$

$$0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{3}, \quad \epsilon > 0, \quad c_3 \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } c_3 \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} < t_2.$$

$$u(t) \mapsto \text{NLS}_3(\mathbb{R}^n) \quad \tilde{u}(t) \mapsto \begin{cases} iu_t = -\Delta u & 0 < t \leq c_3 \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} \\ \text{NLS}_3(\mathbb{R}^n) & c_3 \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} < t < t_2 \end{cases}$$

IC:

$$u(x, 0) = \tilde{u}(x, 0) = u_0(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \|u_0\|_s = \epsilon^\alpha$$

Then

$$\frac{\|\tilde{u}(t) - u(t)\|_s}{\|u(t)\|_s} \leq K_3 \epsilon + O(\epsilon^{2-3\alpha}) \quad 0 \leq t \leq c_3 \epsilon^{1-2\alpha} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0).$$

- Exciton bounds

- Approximation A: $0 < t \leq c_1 \epsilon^{1/2}$

$$\frac{\|\hat{\psi}\|_{L_t^\infty H_x^s}}{\|\psi\|_{L_t^\infty H_x^s}} \approx O(\epsilon)$$

- Approximation B: $c_1 \epsilon^{1/2} \leq t \leq c_2 \epsilon^{1/5}$

$$\frac{\|\hat{\psi}\|_{L_t^\infty H_x^s}}{\|\psi\|_{L_t^\infty H_x^s}} \approx O(\epsilon^{2/5})$$

- Optimal bounds?

Thank you - Dziękuję Ci - Gracias