On Local Wellposedness of the Schrödinger-Boussinesq System

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Abstract. In this paper we prove that the Schrödinger-Boussinesq system with solution $(u,v,(-\partial_{xx})^{-\frac{1}{2}}v_t)$ is locally wellposed in $H^s\times H^s\times H^{s-1}$, $s\geqslant -1/4$. The local wellposedness is obtained by the transformation from the problem into a nonlinear Schrödinger type equation system and the contraction mapping theorem in a suitably modified Bourgain type space inspired by the work of Kishimoto, Tsugawa. This result improves the known local wellposedness in $H^s\times H^s\times H^{s-1}$, s>-1/4 given by Farah.

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1 Introduction

We study the Cauchy problem of the Schrödinger-Boussinesq system(SBq) in $(t,x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$:

$$i\partial_t u + \partial_x^2 u = uv, \tag{1.1}$$

$$\partial_t^2 v - \partial_x^2 v + \partial_x^4 v + \partial_x^2 v^2 = \partial_x^2 |u|^2, \tag{1.2}$$

$$u(0,x) = u_0(x),$$
 (1.3)

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$$v(0,x) = v_0(x), \quad v_t(0,x) = v_1(x),$$
 (1.4)

where function u is complex-valued, while v can be complex-valued or real-valued.

The system above appears in the study of interaction of solitons in optics and can be considered as a model describing interactions between short and intermediate long waves, see Makhankov [1], Yajima et al. [2], Nishikawa et al. [3]. The short wave term u(t,x) is described by the Schrödinger equation (1.1) with the potential v(t,x) satisfying the Boussinesq equation (1.2) and representing the intermediate long wave. When $\partial_x^2 v^2$ in (1.2) is replaced with $\partial_x^2 (\beta |v|^{p-1}v)$, where $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ is a constant, the (1.1)-(1.4) is called generalized Schrödinger-Boussinesq system and is studied in Linares and Navas [4] and so on. The results about wellposedness, numerical results, stability of solitary waves etc. for the generalized Schrödinger-Boussinesq system can be found in [5–8] and the references therein.

As for the local wellposedness, Linares and Navas [4] obtained that the solution (u,v) of the generalized Schrödinger-Boussinesq system is locally wellposed in $C([-T,T];L^2(\mathbb{R}))\cap L^4([-T,T];L^\infty(\mathbb{R}))$. The main method of [4] is L^p-L^q estimates, more precisely, Linares and Navas derived the results by using the global smoothing effects established in [9] for the generalized Boussinesq equation and the standard Strichartz estimates for the Schrödinger equation. We remark that the results of [4] is suit for the Schrödinger-Boussinesq system as well, meanwhile from the method used in [4], it is not possible to obtain corresponding local wellposedness results of the generalized Schrödinger-Boussinesq system in higher dimensions, as the smoothing effects in [9] are the special case of Strichartz type estimates for the generalized Boussinesq equation and do not fit with the Sobolev embedding inequalities in higher dimensions.

Farah [10] has researched following Schrödinger-Boussinesq system

$$\begin{cases} iu_t + \partial_{xx} u = vu, \\ \partial_t^2 v - \partial_x^2 v + \partial_x^4 v = \partial_x^2 |u|^2, \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x), \ v(0, x) = v_0(x), \ v_t(0, x) = (v_1)_x(x) \end{cases}$$
(1.5)

and used the classic Bourgain space method to obtain low regularity local wellposedness of $(u,v,(\partial_x)^{-1}v_t)$ in $H^s(\mathbb{R})\times H^s(\mathbb{R})\times H^{s-1}(\mathbb{R})$, s>-1/4, which can be applied to (1.1)-(1.4) as well. See also Farah, Pastor [11] for the periodic case. Farah [10] introduced norms

$$\|u\|_{X^{s,b}} = \|\langle \tau + \xi^2 \rangle^b \langle \xi \rangle^s \widetilde{u}\|_{L^2_{\xi,\tau}}$$
 for the Schrödinger equation, (1.6)

$$\|v\|_{X_2^{s,b}} = \|\langle |\tau| - \gamma(\xi) \rangle^b \langle \xi \rangle^s \widetilde{v} \|_{L^2_{\xi,\tau}}, \quad \gamma(\xi) = \sqrt{\xi^2 + \xi^4} \quad \text{for the Boussinesq equation,} \quad (1.7)$$

and applied the property

$$\frac{1}{c} \leqslant \frac{1 + |x - y|}{1 + \left| x - \sqrt{y^2 + y} \right|} \leqslant c, \quad \text{for } y \geqslant 0 \text{ and some constant } c > 0$$
 (1.8)