

# Mathematical models for cell movement Part II

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# Overview

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- Biological background
- Keller-Segel model
- Kinetic models
- Scaling up and down

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- The Keller-Segel model.
- Variations on the same theme. Models with global existence.
- Kinetic models

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- The set of all possible velocities is given by a compact, spherically symmetric set  $V$ .

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$$S(x, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x - y|} \rho(y, t) dy ,$$

in  $S = S^S + S^L$ , where

$$S^S = \frac{1}{4\pi |\cdot|} \mathbb{I}_{\{|x| < 1\}} * \rho , \quad S^L = \frac{1}{4\pi |\cdot|} \mathbb{I}_{\{|x| \geq 1\}} * \rho .$$



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We write  $T[S(x, v, v', t) \leq C(1 + S^S(x + v, t))$ , and then

$$f(x, v, t) \leq f^I(x - vt, t) + C \int_0^t \rho(x - vs, t - s) ds + C f^1(x, v, t) ,$$

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We put everything together and find for  $p \geq 2$

$$\|f(\cdot, \cdot, t)\|_{L^p} \leq \|f^I\|_{L^p} + C \left( 1 + \sup_{s \in [0, t]} \|S^S(\cdot, s)\|_{L^p} \right) \int_0^t \|f(\cdot, \cdot, s)\|_{L^p} ds .$$

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Let us consider the following turning kernels (with prevention of overcrowding):

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and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a small parameter.

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**Lemma.** *Now, consider a time  $t_* > 0$  such that  $T[S, \rho] \geq 0, \forall (x, v, v', t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times V \times V \times [0, t_*]$ . Then,*

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$\forall (x, v, v', t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times V \times V \times [0, t_*]$ . We conclude the positivity of  $\tilde{f}$ , then  $0 \leq \bar{\rho} F - f$ , which implies  $\rho \leq \bar{\rho}$ .

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Question:

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