Evolution of simple configurations of gravitating gas

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Abstract

We considered the dynamics of gravitating gas - a continuous media with peculiar properties. The exact solutions of its Euler equations for simple initial conditions is obtained.

1 Introduction

Gravitating gas is a mechanical system which could be considered as a continuous limit of the \( N \)-particles system described by Hamiltonian:

\[
H = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m_i} - \sum_{i \neq j}^{N} \frac{Gm_im_j}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|},
\]

where \( \vec{x}_i, \vec{p}_i \) are canonical coordinates of particles (stars) with masses \( m_i \), \( G \)-gravitational constant.

When \( N \to \infty \) (with assumption \( m_i = m \)) the system turns into the kind of continuous media with very peculiar properties due to attractive interaction between constituents. In the usual gas the effective interaction between particles (atoms or molecules) is repulsive and as a result being put in a volume it spreads in space, filling after some time the whole volume with uniform density. On the opposite, as was pointed out in \cite{1}, the gravitating gas, because of attractive interaction may form isolated steady configuration with asymptotically vanishing density. In particularly, the galaxy named Hoag’s object may be an example of such gravitational soliton \cite{1}. Also, as we shall see below there is no sound waves in gravitating gas and local perturbation of density in linear approximation creates instability. That is why in this system in order to study evolution of perturbation we need to take into account nonlinearity of the equations of motion. In the present paper we shall consider the cases, where we can solve equations of motion exactly.

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2 Equations of motion

In fluid (gas) mechanics there are two different pictures of description. The first, usually refereed as Eulerian, uses as the coordinates the space dependent fields of velocity and density. The second, Lagrangian description, uses the coordinates of the particles $\vec{x}(\xi_i, t)$ labeled by the set of the parameters $\xi_i$ (the numbers of particles in (1)), which could be considered as the initial positions $\vec{\xi} = \vec{x}(\xi_i, t = 0)$ and time $t$. The useful physical assumption is that the functions $\vec{x}(\xi_i, t)$ define a diffeomorphism of $R^3$ and the inverse functions $\vec{\xi}(x_i, t)$ should also exist.

\[
x_j(\xi_i, t)|_{\vec{x}=\vec{\xi}(x_i, t)} = x_j,
\xi_j(x_i, t)|_{\vec{x}=\vec{\xi}(x_i, t)} = \xi_j.
\]

The density of the particles in space at time $t$ is
\[
\rho(x_i, t) = \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)),
\]
where $\rho_0(\xi)$ is the initial density at time $t = 0$. The velocity field $\vec{v}$ as a function of coordinates $\vec{x}$ and $t$ is:
\[
\vec{v}(x_i, t) = \dot{\vec{x}}(\vec{\xi}(x_i, t), t),
\]
where $\vec{\xi}(x, t)$ is the inverse function [2]. The velocity also could be written in the following form:
\[
\vec{v}(x_i, t) = \frac{\int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \vec{x}(\xi_i, t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t))}{\int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t))},
\]
or
\[
\rho(x_i, t)\vec{v}(x_i, t) = \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \vec{x}(\xi_i, t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)).
\]
Let us calculate the time derivative of the density using its definition [1] :
\[
\dot{\rho}(x_i, t) = \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t))
= \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \left(-\dot{\vec{x}}(\xi_i, t)\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t))
= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \vec{x}(\xi_i, t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t))
= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \rho(x_i, t) \vec{v}(x_i, t)
\]
In such a way we verify the continuity equation of fluid dynamics:

\[ \dot{\rho}(x_i, t) + \nabla \cdot (\rho(x_i, t)\vec{v}(x_i, t)) = 0. \] (8)

Using the coordinates \( \vec{x}(\xi_i, t) \) as a configurational space variables we can write the Lagrangian for the continuous generalization of the system, described by (11)

\[ L = \int d^3\xi_0(\xi_i) \frac{m\ddot{x}(\xi_i, t)}{2} + \frac{Gm^2}{2} \int d^3\xi d^3\xi' \frac{\rho_0(\xi_i)\rho_0(\xi_i')}{|\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|}. \] (9)

The equations of motion, which follow from the Lagrangian (10) have the form:

\[ m\ddot{x}(\xi_i, t) + Gm^2 \int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3} = 0. \] (10)

Now we need to translate the equations (10) into the language of Euler variables. For this let us differentiate both sides of the equation (6) with respect to time:

\[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(x_i, t)\vec{v}(x_i, t) = \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \ddot{x}(\xi_i, t) \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)) \]

\[ + \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \dot{\vec{x}}(\xi_i, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)). \] (11)

Substituting \( \ddot{x}(\xi_i, t) \) from the equation (10) and transforming the second term, as we did in derivation of the equation (7) we obtain:

\[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(x_i, t)\vec{v}(x_i, t) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left( \rho(x_i, t)\vec{v}(x_i, t)v_k(x_i, t) \right) + \]

\[ \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \left[ -\gamma \int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)) \right], \] (12)

where we introduced notation \( \gamma = Gm \). To transform the last integral we first perform integration over the \( \xi \):

\[ \int d^3\xi \rho_0(\xi_i) \left[ -\gamma \int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x}(\xi_i, t) - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i, t)) \right] \]

\[ = -\gamma \rho(x_i, t) \int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3}. \] (13)
Now let us insert in the integral over $\xi'$ the unity
\begin{equation}
1 = \int d^3y \delta(\vec{y} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t))
\end{equation}
and change the order of integration:
\begin{align*}
\int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3} \\
= \int d^3y \int d^3\xi' \rho_0(\xi_i') \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)|^3} \delta(\vec{y} - \vec{x}(\xi_i', t)) \\
= \int d^3y \rho(y_i, t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{y}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|^3},
\end{align*}
where in the last step we have used the definition of $\rho(y_i, t)$ given by (3).

Finally the equation of motion (11) in terms of Euler variables takes the following form:
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(x_i, t) \vec{v}(x_i, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(\rho(x_i, t) \vec{v}(x_i, t) v_k(x_i, t)) &= \\
= \gamma \rho(x_i, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \int d^3y \rho(y_i, t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{y}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|}.
\end{align*}

Using the continuity equation we can rewrite (16) in the more familiar form of Euler equation:
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{v}(x_i, t) + v_k(x_i, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \vec{v}(x_i, t) &= \gamma \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \int d^3y \rho(y_i, t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{y}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|}.
\end{align*}

### 3 Absence of sound waves in gravitating gas.

As very well known (see for example [2]), small perturbation of density in gas or fluid (and/or velocity) creates the sound waves. In the case of gravitating gas, due to attractive interaction of constituents the situation is completely different. Let us introduce a small perturbation of density $\tilde{\rho}(x_i, t)$, so that
\begin{equation}
\rho(x_i, t) = \rho_0 + \tilde{\rho}(x_i, t),
\end{equation}
where $\rho_0(x_i)$ is background density. Neglecting nonlinear term in Euler equation we have
\begin{equation}
\dot{\vec{v}}(x_i, t) = \gamma \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}} \int d^3y \rho(y_i, t) \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{y}}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|}.
\end{equation}
In linear approximation the continuity equation will have the following form:
\[ \dot{\rho}(x_i, t) + \rho_0 \frac{\partial v_k(x_i, t)}{\partial x_k} = 0. \]  
(20)

Taking time derivative of equation (20) and substituting \( \dot{v}(x_i, t) \) from equation (19) we obtain:
\[ \ddot{\rho}(x_i, t) + \rho_0 \gamma \Delta \int d^3 y \frac{\rho(y_i, t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{y}|} = 0. \]  
(21)

Action of Laplace operator on the potential gives the density times \(-4\pi\) and finally we arrive at
\[ \ddot{\rho}(x_i, t) - 4\pi \rho_0 \gamma (\rho_0(x_i) + \tilde{\rho}(x_i, t)) = 0. \]  
(22)

The solution of this equation has exponential time dependence which makes an assumption of small perturbation invalid. Also this example shows that the linear approximation does not work for gravitating gas. The reason for such behavior of perturbation is the attraction forces acting between constituents. In the case of usual gas with repulsive interaction between constituents the r.h.s. of the equation (19) will stay e.g. \(-\frac{k^2 \rho(x_i, t)}{\rho_0}\), where \(k\) is the velocity of sound and therefore we will obtain the instead of (22) the usual wave equation:
\[ \ddot{\rho}(x_i, t) + k^2 \Delta \rho(x_i, t)) = 0. \]  
(23)

The conclusion from this observation is that if we want to study the behavior of gravitating gas, the linear approximation is not sufficient and we need to solve Euler equations exactly.

4 Exact evolution of spherically symmetric configuration of gravitating gas

Here we will consider the spherically symmetric configuration of gravitating gas which is described by \( \rho(x_i, t) = \rho(r, t) \) and \( \vec{v}(x_i, t) = \vec{x} v(r, t) \). Substituting this parametrization into equations (8) and (17) we obtain:
\[ \dot{v}(r, t) + v(r, t) \partial_r v(r, t) = \gamma \partial_r \int d^3 x' \frac{\rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \]  
(24)
\[ r^2 \ddot{\rho}(r, t) + \partial_r (r^2 \rho(r, t) v(r, t)) = 0. \]
As is well known for spherically symmetric mass distribution the force in the r.h.s. of the first equation (25) is defined by the total mass inside the sphere of radius $r$:

$$\gamma \partial_r \int d^3x' \frac{\rho(r', t)}{|x - x'|} = -4\pi \gamma \frac{m(r, t)}{r^2},$$  \hspace{1cm} (25)

where we introduced notation

$$m(r, t) = \int_0^r dr' r'^2 \rho(r', t)$$  \hspace{1cm} (26)

With this notation we can present the equations (24) in the following form:

$$\dot{v}(r, t) + v(r, t) \partial_r v(r, t) = -4\pi \gamma \frac{m(r, t)}{r^2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (27)

$$\dot{m}(r, t) + v(r, t) \partial_r m(r, t) = 0.$$  

Let us consider the function $f(r, t)$ which is defined by the following equation:

$$\dot{f}(r, t) + v(r, t) \partial_r f(r, t) = 0,$$  \hspace{1cm} (28)

The function $m(r, t)$, because it satisfies the same equation could be written in the following form:

$$m(r, t) = m(f(r, t)),$$  \hspace{1cm} (29)

where $m(r)$ is the initial data for function $m(r, t)$: $m(r) = m(r, 0)$. In such a way we can rewrite the first of equations (27):

$$\dot{v}(r, t) + v(r, t) \partial_r v(r, t) = -4\pi \gamma \frac{m(f(r, t))}{r^2}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (30)

Multiplying both sides of this equation by $v(r, t)$ and taking into account equation (28) we arrive at the following statement:

$$(\partial_t + v(r, t) \partial_r) \left[ \frac{v(r, t)^2}{2} - 4\pi \gamma \frac{m(f(r, t))}{r} \right] = 0.$$  \hspace{1cm} (31)

From this statement follows that the expression in the brackets is a function of $f(r, t)$ only. So, we have

$$\frac{v(r, t)^2}{2} - 4\pi \gamma \frac{m(f(r, t))}{r} = A(f(r, t)).$$  \hspace{1cm} (32)
Putting in (32) \( t = 0 \) we can express the unknown function \( A(r) \) via initial data for \( v(r, t) \) and \( m(r, t) \):

\[
\frac{v(r, 0)^2}{2} - 4\pi\gamma m(r) = A(r). \tag{33}
\]

Therefore we obtain

\[
\frac{v(r, t)^2}{2} = \frac{v(f(r, t))^2}{2} + 4\pi\gamma m(f(r, t))\left[\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{f(r, t)}\right], \tag{34}
\]

where we put \( v(r, 0) = v(r) \). Apparently from (34) we can find the velocity:

\[
v(r, t) = \left[2\left(\frac{v(f(r, t))^2}{2} + 4\pi\gamma m(f(r, t))\left[\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{f(r, t)}\right]\right)\right]^{1/2}. \tag{35}
\]

This expression for velocity has to be substituted into equation (28) for function \( f(r, t) \) which we need to solve. In order to do it let us introduce the function \( s(r, t) \):

\[
r = f(r, t) - s(f(r, t), t). \tag{36}
\]

It is obvious that \( s(r, 0) = 0 \). Also from this definition follows that

\[
v(r, t) = -\partial_t s(f, t). \tag{37}
\]

where we deliberately suppressed the arguments of the function \( f(r, t) \) to make it clear that the differentiation in (37) is with respect to the second argument of \( s(f, t) \). (This relation could be obtained by applying operator \( \partial_t + v(r, t)\partial_r \) to both sides of (36)). In such a way we have

\[
\partial_t s(f, t) = -\left[2\left(\frac{v(f)^2}{2} + 4\pi\gamma m(f)\left[\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{s(f, t)}\right]\right)\right]^{1/2}. \tag{38}
\]

This relation gives us a possibility to find time dependence of the function \( s(f, t) \):

\[
-\int_0^{s(f, t)} \frac{ds}{\left[2\left(\frac{v(f)^2}{2} + 4\pi\gamma m(f)\left[\frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{s(f, t)}\right]\right)\right]^{1/2}} = t \tag{39}
\]

Knowing the function \( s(f, t) \) we can find function \( f \) making use of Lagrange formula for analytic branch of inverse function \([3]\). In the present context this formula takes the following form (here we will suppress the argument \( t \) of
the function $s(f, t)$, considering it as a parameter). So we have the following relation:

$$r = f - s(f)$$  \hspace{1cm} (40)

The inverse function $f(r)$ is given by

$$f = r + s(r) + \frac{1}{2}(s^2(r))' + \frac{1}{3!}(s^3(r))'' + \frac{1}{4!}(s^4(r))^{(3)} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n!}(s^n(r))^{(n-1)} \cdots.$$  \hspace{1cm} (41)

This formula gives the complete solution of our problem, though in that form it is not at all clear what is the evolution even for the simplest cases. As an example we shall consider the case where we can at least qualitatively describe evolution. The first simplification we shall do is to put $v(f) = 0$. In this case the equation (39) takes the following form:

$$- \left[ 8\pi \gamma m(f) \right]^{-1/2} \int_0^{s(f,t)} \frac{ds}{\left[ \frac{1}{f - s} - \frac{1}{f} \right]}^{1/2} = t.$$  \hspace{1cm} (42)

Now we shall change the integration variable (this parametrization is usual for Kepler problem [4])

$$s = f(1 - \frac{1 + \cos \alpha}{2}),$$  \hspace{1cm} (43)

after which we obtain

$$- \left[ \frac{f^3}{8\pi \gamma m(f)} \right]^{1/2} \frac{1}{2} [\alpha + \sin \alpha] = t.$$  \hspace{1cm} (44)

Next simplification consists in choice of the function $m(r)$. If we take uniform initial density in the whole space $\rho(r) = \rho_0$, then $m(r) = \rho_0 \frac{r^3}{3}$ and equation (44) becomes

$$- \left[ \frac{3}{8\pi \gamma \rho_0} \right]^{1/2} \frac{1}{2} [\alpha + \sin \alpha] = t.$$  \hspace{1cm} (45)

Let us summarize the result. The equation (36) gives us the relation

$$r = f \frac{1 + \cos \alpha}{2}. \hspace{1cm} (46)$$

Time dependence of $\alpha$ is given by equation (45), which we can rewrite in the following form

$$\alpha + \sin \alpha = -2\pi \frac{t}{T},$$  \hspace{1cm} (47)
where we introduced notation $T = \pi \left[ \frac{3}{8\pi \rho_0} \right]^{1/2}$. Note that in this case we don’t need to use Lagrange formula in order to find the function $f(r, t)$. From equation (46) we have

$$f(r, t) = \frac{2r}{1 + \cos \alpha(t)}.$$  

(48)

from where we obtain the evolution of the functions $m(r, t)$ and $v(r, t)$:

$$m(r, t) = m(f(r, t)) = \frac{1}{3} \rho_0 \left[ \frac{2r}{1 + \cos \alpha(t)} \right]^3,$$

$$v(r, t) = \frac{\partial_t f}{\partial_r f} = \left[ \frac{8\pi \rho_0}{3} \right]^{1/2} \frac{2 \rho \sin \alpha(t)}{(1 + \cos \alpha(t))}.$$  

(49)

Also from $m(r, t)$ we obtain the evolution of density:

$$\rho(r, t) = \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r m(r, t) = \rho_0 \left[ \frac{2}{1 + \cos \alpha(t)} \right]^3.$$  

(50)

In all these equations time dependence of $\alpha(t)$ is defined by equation (47). Note that according to it $\alpha(t)$ is zero at $t = 0$ and moves in negative direction. We see the the density is uniform for all $t$, oscillating between $\rho_0$ and infinity.

## 5 Evolution of flat configuration gravitating gas.

Let us consider the case where $\vec{v} = (v(x, t), 0, 0)$ and $\rho = \rho(x, t)$. Euler equations takes the following form:

$$\dot{v}(x, t) + v(x, t) \partial_x v(x, t) = -2\pi \gamma \partial_x \int dy |x - x'| \rho(x', t)$$

$$\dot{\rho}(x, t) + \partial_x (\rho(x, t) v(x, t)) = 0.$$  

(51)

This form could be obtained from the 3D equations and the kernel $-2\pi |x - x'|$ is the result of integrating $\frac{1}{|x'|}$ over variables which don’t enter into $\rho$. Needless to say that this one-dimensional gravitating gas could be interpreted as flat layer in three dimension. Differentiating potential in the r.h.s of Euler equation we can rewrite it in the following form:

$$\dot{v}(x, t) + v(x, t) \partial_x v(x, t) = -2\pi \gamma \int dy \epsilon(x - x') \rho(x', t)$$

$$= -2\pi \gamma \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{x} dx' \rho(x', t) - \int_{x}^{\infty} dx' \rho(x', t) \right],$$  

(52)
where $\epsilon(x) = \text{sign}(x)$. It will be convenient to introduce instead of density another variable $g(x,t)$

$$g(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} \int dy \epsilon(x - x') \rho(x', t) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{x} dx' \rho(x', t) - \int_{x}^{\infty} dx' \rho(x', t) \right). \quad (53)$$

Apparently this new variable plays the same role as the function $m(r,t)$ in the previous section. With this new variable the system (51) will take the following form:

$$\dot{v}(x,t) + v(x,t) \partial_x v(x,t) = -4\pi \gamma g(x,t)$$
$$\dot{g}(x,t) + v(x,t) \partial_x g(x,t) = 0. \quad (54)$$

Now let us introduce the first integral of the second equation $f(x,t)$, satisfying initial condition $f(x,0) = x$. Apparently, the function $g(x,t)$ could be written as

$$g(x,t) = g(f(x,t), 0), \quad (55)$$

so, evolution of $g(x,t)$ is just reparametrization of its initial data $g(x,0) = g(x)$. Now it is easy to find general solution of the first equation (54):

$$v(x,t) = v(f(x,t)) - t4\pi \gamma g(f(x,t)), \quad (56)$$

where $v(x)$ is the initial data for velocity. The first term in (56) is the solution of homogenous equation which we fixed through the initial data for $v(r,t)$, while the second is the solution of inhomogeneous one. Now we have arrived at the point similar to that in the previous section. We need to find the function $f(x,t)$. We shall do it as before. Let us introduce the function $s(f,t)$ through the equation

$$x = f(x,t) - s(f(x,t), t), \quad (57)$$

such that

$$\partial_t s(f,t) = -v(x,t), \quad (58)$$

where the derivative is taken with respect to the second argument. The case, we are considering now is simpler when the previous one and we can find $s(f,t)$ explicitly:

$$s(f,t) = -tv(f) + 4\pi \gamma \frac{t^2}{2} g(f). \quad (59)$$
Now we again can use Lagrange formula to find \( f(x, t) \)

\[
f = x + s(x) + \frac{1}{2}(s^2(x))' + \frac{1}{3!}(s^3(x))'' + \frac{1}{4!}(s^4(x))''' + \cdots + \frac{1}{n!}(s^n(x))^{(n-1)} \cdots .
\]

(60)

Remember that here we suppressed the second argument of the function \( s(f, t) \), considering \( t \) as a parameter.

So, formally the Euler equations are solved if we can evaluate for given initial data \( \rho_0(x), v(x) \) the function \( f(x, t) \) presented by infinite series (60). Again, for some simple initial data it is possible to solve equation (59) without Lagrange formula. For example let us take \( v(x) = 0 \) and density \( \rho_0(x) = b \) for \( |x| \leq a \) and \( \rho_0(x) = 0 \) outside this interval. In this case the function \( s(f) \) in (59) is linear and we can find explicitly evolution of gravitating gas.

\[
g(f(x, t)) = \begin{cases} 
-\frac{ab}{b(1-2\pi\gamma t^2b)}, & x < -a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b), \\
\frac{bx}{(1-2\pi\gamma t^2b)}, & -a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b) \leq x \leq a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b), \\
\frac{ab}{b(1-2\pi\gamma t^2b)}, & x > a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b). 
\end{cases}
\]

(61)

Differentiating \( g(f(x, t)) \) by \( x \) we obtain from (61) evolution of density

\[
\rho(x, t) = \begin{cases} 
0, & x < -a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b), \\
\frac{b}{(1-2\pi\gamma t^2b)}, & -a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b) \leq x \leq a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b), \\
0, & x > a(1 - 2\pi\gamma t^2b) 
\end{cases}
\]

(62)

and from (58) we can get also evolution of velocity. This solution of Euler equations which we obtained describes collapse of gravitating gas during finite time \( T = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi\gamma b}} \) to zero size. Here arises the question what happens after this time. The analysis of the Lagrange equation shows that the motion continues in backward evolution. Gas emerges from one point and returns to the initial configuration. The impossibility of analytic description of the whole evolution has the same origin as in the problem of bouncing ball.

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