

# Nonequilibrium statistical mechanics

Equilibrium: Hamiltonian

$$\ddot{\underline{q}}_i = -\partial_{\underline{q}_i} V(\underline{q}), \quad (\underline{\dot{q}}, \underline{q}) \equiv x \in \text{phase space}$$

States:  $\mu_{U,V} = \text{Liouville (microcan.)}$

Transformations: quasi static. Thermostats.

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Molecular dynamics  $\rightarrow$  mechanical thermostats

(Nosé–Hoover, Gauss, infinite, stoch.)

States:  $\mu = \mu_{U,V,E,\dots}$  = stationary distrib, (which?) s.t. aside from a 0–volume

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T F(S_t x) dt = \int_{\Omega} F(y) \mu(dy)$$

Mechanical thermostats: heat? entropy?

$$W = \langle E \underline{g}(\underline{q}) \cdot \underline{\dot{q}} \rangle_{time} = \langle \underline{\vartheta}^E \cdot \underline{\dot{q}} \rangle_{time} = Q$$

$Q$  is identified with “*heat production rate*”

From various examples emerges a definition of *entropy production rate*  $k_B \sigma_+$

$$\sigma_+ = \langle \textit{divergence} \rangle = \langle \partial_{\underline{\dot{q}}} \cdot \underline{\vartheta}^E(\underline{q}, \underline{\dot{q}}) \rangle \geq 0$$

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$W = Q$  by stationarity

$$\left[ \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\dot{q}^2}{2} + V(\underline{q}) \right) \equiv E \underline{g}(\underline{q}) \cdot \underline{\dot{q}} - \underline{\vartheta}^E \cdot \underline{q} \right]$$

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obviously  $\sigma_+ > 0$  implies that it will not be possible to define “entropy” *of the system*: if entropy content, *i.e.* a conserved quantity identified with entropy, existed then it should be  $-\infty$  if  $\sigma_+ > 0$ .

*Temperature:*  $\Theta = \frac{Q}{k_B \sigma_+}$

I take these as *definitions* of interesting mechanical quantities

Are names consistent with equilibrium?

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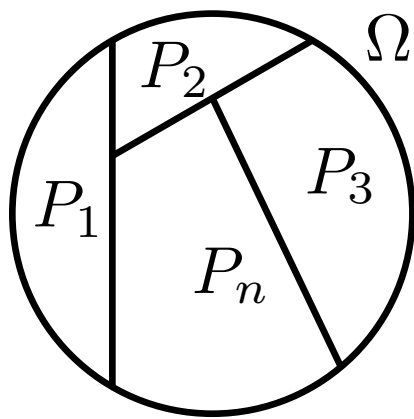
Which is  $\mu$ ?

(Ruelle 1970's, Cohen, G. 1995)

Which is  $\mu$ ? Chaotic hypothesis:

*A chaotic multiparticle system can be regarded as a transitive Anosov system.*

esoteric? Meaning: “coarse graining possible on all scales”



$\Omega$  History:

$$x \rightarrow (\dots i_{-1}, i_0, i_1, \dots)$$

$$S^k x \in P_{i_k}$$

$$S = \text{Timed evolution}$$

Given a precision  $\gamma > 0 \exists \mathcal{P} = (P_1, P_2, \dots)$

(1) “cells”  $P_{i_{-T}, \dots, i_T} =$  set of  $x$  with  $i_j$

(2) cells  $\neq \emptyset$  iff  $i_k \rightarrow i_{k+1}$  possible

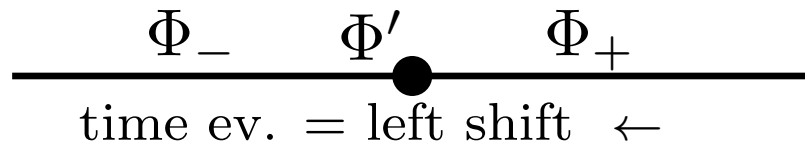
$$i.e. SP_{i_k}^0 \cap P_{i_{k+1}}^0 \neq \emptyset$$

*Microscopic states  $\longleftrightarrow$  states of infinite spin chains with nearest neighbor hard cores*

Key result (Sinai, Ruelle, Bowen)

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Hence

$S^k \mu_0 \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu_+ = \text{SRB}$  and

$S^k \mu_0 \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow -\infty} \mu_-$

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Universal properties? example Boltzmann  
heat theorem

States:  $\mu_{U,V}$  (microc.)  $\Rightarrow$  def:  $P(U, V), \Theta(U, V)$   
change  $U, V$  by  $dU, dV$

$$\frac{dU + PdV}{\Theta} = \text{exact} \longleftrightarrow \partial_V \frac{1}{\Theta} = \partial_U \frac{P}{\Theta}$$

*Reversible systems: isometry  $I$  and*

$$S^2 = 1, \quad IS = S^{-1}I$$

*$I$  = time reversal (e.g.  $T$ ,  $PT$ ,  $PCT$  or more complicate).*

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Average entropy production (if  $\sigma_+ > 0$ ):

$$p_\tau(x) = \frac{1}{\tau\sigma_+} \sum_{k=-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} \sigma(S^k x)$$

Results (Sinai)  $p$  is multifractal:

$$\Pi_\tau(p \in \Delta) = e^{\tau \max_{p \in \Delta} \zeta(p) + O(1)}$$

for  $|p| < c\sigma_+$  and  $\zeta(p)$  is analytic in  $p$ .

*because SRB is a Gibbs state of 1-dim Ising system with short range potential.*

. *Fluctuation theorem for reversible maps*

$$\zeta(-p) = \zeta(p) - p\sigma_+, \quad |p| < p^*$$

*parameterless and universal*

(discovered in molecular dynamics, 1993  
 Evans-Cohen-Morriss, theory Cohen-G., 1995)

*More general:*  $F_1, \dots, F_n$  odd time rev.

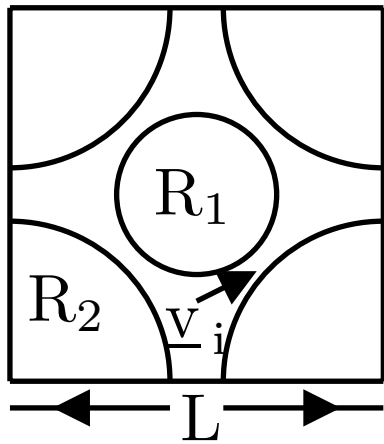
let  $t \rightarrow \varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_n(t)$  be  $n$  “patterns”

$t \in [-\frac{\tau}{2}, \frac{\tau}{2}]$  and let  $I\varphi_j(t) \stackrel{def}{=} \varphi_j(-t)$

$$\frac{\Pi_{\tau}(F_1 \simeq \varphi_1, \dots, F_n \simeq \varphi_n, p)}{\Pi_{\tau}(F_1 \simeq I\varphi_1, \dots, IF_n \simeq \varphi_n, -p)} = e^{\tau p \sigma_+}$$

$\forall F_1, \dots, F_n. \Rightarrow$  Onsager reciprocity and Green–Kubo for  $\sigma_+ \rightarrow 0$

Example *Drude's conduction theory*



$\ddot{\underline{q}}_i = E \underline{u} - \underline{\vartheta}_i + \text{coll}$   
 speed renorm to  $\sqrt{3k_B\Theta}$   
 or keep constant speed

$$\underline{\vartheta}_i = \alpha(\dot{\underline{q}}) \dot{\underline{q}}_i$$

$$\alpha(\dot{\underline{q}}) = \frac{E \sum \underline{u} \cdot \underline{q}_i}{\sum \dot{\underline{q}}_i^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum \dot{\underline{q}}_i^2 = 3Nk_B\Theta$$

so that

$$W = \langle \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\dot{q}} \rangle = E \langle J \rangle = Q$$

$$\sigma_+ = \langle div \rangle = (3N - 1) \frac{E \langle J \rangle}{3N k_B \Theta} \sim \frac{Q}{k_B \Theta}$$

$\zeta(p)$  describes *the current fluctuations*

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Tests: 1) numerical, 2) in nature

1) global seems ok. Local ? few examples:  
lattices of Anosov maps

Lattice (e.g. 1 dim):

$$\bullet \quad \bullet_{\xi}^{\underline{\varphi}} \dots \bullet \quad \dots \bullet \quad \bullet \quad \xi \in V \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$$

$$(S \underline{\varphi})_{\xi} = S_0 \underline{\varphi}_{\xi} + \varepsilon \delta(\underline{\varphi}_{nn(\xi)})$$

If reversible def. *local phase space contr.*

$$\sigma_{V_0}(\underline{\varphi}_V) = -\log |\det \partial_{\underline{\varphi}_{V_0}} S(\underline{\varphi})_{V_0}|$$

$$p_{\tau, V_0}(\underline{\varphi}) \stackrel{def}{=} \frac{1}{\tau \langle \sigma_{V_0} \rangle} \sum_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} \sigma_{V_0}(S^k \underline{\varphi})$$

Then

$$\langle \sigma_{V_0} \rangle = V_0 \sigma_+^0 + O(\partial V_0)$$

$$\tau \zeta(p) = V_0 \tau \zeta^0(p) + O(\partial(V_0 \times [-\frac{\tau}{2}, \frac{\tau}{2}]))$$

$$\zeta^0(-p) = \zeta^0(p) - p \sigma_+^0$$

*i.e.*

entropy production fluctuations behave in an analogous way as the density fluctuations in equilibrium: they scale with the space–time volume, (G.).



2) Tests in natural systems

(I) measurements in a “small region” of  $Q$   
= dissipat. per unit time

(II) Check that  $p \stackrel{def}{=} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{-\frac{\tau}{2}}^{\frac{\tau}{2}} Q(t)$  has a linear symmetry

$$\zeta(p) = \zeta(-p) + cp$$

One then identifies  $\frac{\langle Q \rangle}{k_B c} \stackrel{def}{=} \Theta$  *effective temperature of the thermostat*

Granular materials (very weak friction: Feitosa–Menon)

Fluid turbulence (very strong friction: Ciliberto)

## Problems

- (a) Reversibil.: essential? (Bonetto-G)
- (b) Local fluctuation relations in more general systems (with boundary only forcing/dissipation)? (Bonetto-Lebowitz)
- (c) strong friction? (G, Rondoni-Segre)
- (d) soluble models? (Derrida-Lebowitz-Speer, Bertini-DeSole-Gabrielli-Jona-Landim)
- (e) When are 2 thermostats equivalent? (She-Jackson, Evans-Sarman, G)

Example: Drude's conduction models

$$\ddot{\underline{q}}_i = E \underline{u} - \nu \dot{\underline{q}}_i, \quad \ddot{\underline{q}}_i = E \underline{u} - \alpha(\dot{\underline{q}}) \dot{\underline{q}}_i,$$

Look in a volume  $V_0 \subset V$  and consider an observable  $F_{V_0}$  then *if energy is tuned so that*  $\nu = \langle \alpha \rangle$

$$\frac{\langle F_{V_0} \rangle_{\mu_\nu}}{\langle F_{V_0} \rangle_{\mu_\alpha}} \xrightarrow{V \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

(f) Stochastic thermostats (Kurchan, Lebowitz-Spohn)

(g) Infinite (Hamiltonian classical or quantum) thermostats (Eckmann-Pillet-ReyBellet, Ruelle).

(h) Boundary only dissipation: is  $\sigma_{V_0} = 0$  if  $V_0 \subset V$ ? Two definitions

(I) (G)

$$\sigma_{V_0}(x_{V_0}) = -\frac{1}{\tau_0} \log \det \partial_{x_{V_0}} S_{\tau_0}(x_{V_0}, x_{V_0^c})$$

with  $\tau_0$  large enough so that a disturbance at the boundary of  $V_0$  travels to the center ( $\sim L_0/(\textit{speed of sound})$ )

(II) (Ruelle)

$$\sigma_{V_0}(x_{V_0}) = -\frac{1}{\tau_0} \log \langle \det \partial_{x_{V_0}} S_{\tau_0}(x_{V_0}, x_{V_0^c}) \rangle \Big|_{\tau_0=0}$$

with the average computed with the SRB distribution conditioned to  $x_{V_0}$  in  $V_0$ .