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## Boltzmann's Heat Theorem and Fluctuation Theorem: from order to chaos

Averages  $\langle F \rangle$  observ. depend on control param.  $\alpha$ , e.g. volume, energy..

**Heat Theorem:** (HT) *Then can define mechanical quantities  $U, V, P, T$  so that  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha + d\alpha$  induces changes  $dU, dV$ , with*

$$\frac{dU + pdV}{T} = \text{exact}$$

if  $p = -\text{average}(\partial_V W)$ ,  $T = \text{average}(K)$ .

*Assumptions:*  $H = K(\vec{p}) + W(\vec{x})$  and

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- (a) (1866) all motions are periodic and “nonperiodic motions can be regarded periodic with infinite period” ([Bo866]). (!)
- (b) (1868-1871) ergodic hypothesis: motion visits all phase space of given total energy
- (c) (1871-1884) theory of statistical ensembles [Bo884].

Modern terminology: *ergodic hypothesis* (EH)  $\Rightarrow$  Equil. Stat. Mech.

Guiding idea: HT true for ALL systems with Hamilt.  $H = K + W$ : *whether having few (1) or many ( $10^{19}$ ) degrees of freedom*, as long as EH

I.e. HT = trivial consequence of Hamilt. nature.

It is a *symmetry property*

Equil. States  $\equiv$  prob. distr. on phase space providing averages  $\langle F \rangle$ .

Some (?) universal laws merely reflect symmetry properties which may have deep consequences in large systems: roots of second Law can be found, [Bo866], in the simple properties of the pendulum motion.

*Another example:* Time reversal; defined as isometric map  $I$  anticommuting with evolution

$$I^2 = 1, \quad S_t I = I S_{-t} \quad \left[ e.g. \quad I(\vec{x}, \vec{v}) \longleftrightarrow (\vec{x}, -\vec{v}) \right]$$

Reciprocal relations of Onsager, *reflect* time reversal.

Time reversal leads to the quantitative form of reciprocity expressed by “fluctuation dissipation theorems”, *i.e.* by the Green-Kubo formulae..

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Nonequilibrium SM ? Recent progress on NE based on

(a) focus on *steady states* under forcing

(b) focus on *finite thermostats*  $\Rightarrow$  simulations NESS in 980's

Main difficulty: microscop. description cannot be Hamiltonian.

In finite thermostats dissipation manifest by nonvanishing divergence

$$\sigma(x) = - \sum \partial_{x_i} f_i(x)$$

of the equations *and of its time average*  $\sigma_+ > 0$ .

Physical meaning of  $\sigma$ ? no direct one: *changes* with coordinates:

$$\sigma'(x) = \sigma(x) - \frac{d}{dt}\Gamma(x)$$

*only* time averages over long times can have “intrinsic” meaning:

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \sigma'(S_t x) = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \sigma(S_t x) + \frac{\Gamma(S_\tau x) - \Gamma(x)}{\tau} \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \sigma(S_t x)$$

Average  $\sigma_+ \stackrel{def}{=} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \sigma(S_t x)$  identified to entropy creation rate

$$\sigma_+ = \left\langle \sum_j \frac{Q_j}{k_B T_j} \right\rangle$$

*Why?* for instance consider general thermostat model

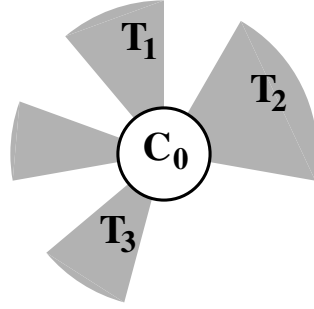


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Fig.1:  $C_0$  (“system”) interact with shaded  $T_j$  (“thermostats”) constrained fixed K.E.

The equations of motion will be (all masses equal,  $\mathbf{E}$ = “stirring forces”)

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_0 = -\partial_{\mathbf{X}_0} \left( U_0(\mathbf{X}_0) + \sum_{j>0} W_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) \right) + \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{X}_0),$$

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_i = -\partial_{\mathbf{X}_i} \left( U_i(\mathbf{X}_i) + W_{0,i}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_i) \right) - \alpha_i \dot{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

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$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{X}_0)$  external stirring forces;  $\alpha_i$  s.t.  $K_i = \frac{3}{2}N_i k_B T_i \equiv \text{const.}$

$$K_i \equiv \text{const} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{3}{2}N_i k_B T_i \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \alpha_i \equiv \frac{Q_i - \dot{U}_i}{3N_i k_B T_i}$$

$Q_i \equiv$  work per unit time of  $\mathcal{C}_0$  on  $\mathcal{C}_i$ :

$$Q_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\dot{\mathbf{X}}_i \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{X}_i} W_{0,i}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_i)$$

Important feature: *preservation of time reversal symmetry !!*

[thermostat can even act uniformly: eg. electric conduction (Drude)]



Divergence (by algebraic means)

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) \equiv \varepsilon(\mathbf{X}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}) + \dot{r}(\mathbf{x}), \quad \varepsilon(\mathbf{X}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{Q_j}{k_B T_j}, \quad r = \sum_j \frac{U_j(\mathbf{x}_j)}{k_B T_j}$$

Calorimetry and thermometry measures. No need of equations of motion!

Useful? Fluctuations in average

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sigma(S_t x) \equiv \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \varepsilon(S_t x) + \frac{R(T) - R(0)}{T}$$

Therefore for large  $T$  *same fluctuations statistics*. Not just  $\langle \sigma \rangle \equiv \langle \varepsilon \rangle$ .

A general theory of fluctuations of  $\sigma \longleftrightarrow$  general theory of fluct. of  $\varepsilon$

**Howto?**

Need the distribution for averages: i.e. need *extension of EH*.

Ruelle's turbulence theory extension to Stat. Mech. (Cohen-G.)

**Chaotic hypothesis (CH)** *Motions developing on attracting set of chaotic system may be regarded as motions of transitive hyperbolic system.  $\Rightarrow$*

(1) *unique* distribution  $\mu$  (SRB)\* such that outside a set of *zero volume*

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

(2) AND  $\mu$  has an “explicit” express. “similar to the equil. Gibbs distrib.”

(3) Nontrivial because  $\mu$  is concentrated on a 0 volume “attractor”

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\*SRB  $\rightarrow$  Sinai-Ruelle-Bowen

Hyperb. systems: *paradigm of chaos* as harmonic oscill. of order.

Let  $f \stackrel{def}{=} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau F(S_t x) dt$

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**Fluctuation law:**  $f$  is in  $[a, b]$  with probab.  $Prob_\mu(f \in [a, b])$

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tau} \log Prob_\mu(f \in [a, b]) = \max_{f \in [a, b]} \zeta_F(f), \quad \sim P(f) = e^{\tau \zeta_F(f)}$$

More generally, given  $n$  odd observables, let  $f_j \stackrel{def}{=} \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau F_j(S_t x) dt \Rightarrow$ ,

$$Prob(\mathbf{f} \in \Delta) = Prob((f_1, \dots, f_n) \in \Delta) \propto_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} e^{\tau \max_{\mathbf{f} \in \Delta} \zeta(\mathbf{f})}$$

$\zeta$  defined in a convex open set  $\Gamma$ , analytic and convex (Sinai).

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$\zeta$  is a kind of thermodynamic function.

Possibility of an “explicit” formal expression of  $\mu$  allows giving an explicit (“uncomputable”) expression of stationary averages  $\langle F \rangle_\mu$ .

Assume average phase space contraction positive  $\sigma_+ > 0$  **and** *time reversal symmetry*; let  $F_1 \equiv \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_+}$  and  $p \stackrel{def}{=} f_1 = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \frac{\sigma(S_t x)}{\sigma_+} dt$ . Then

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**Fluctuation Theorem (FT):** (Cohen, G.)

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

More generally  $\zeta(-p, -f_2, \dots, -f_n) = \zeta(p, f_2, \dots, f_n) - p\sigma_+$

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Interest?

Physical interpretation of  $p\sigma_+$  as entropy creation  $\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \sum_j \frac{Q_j(t)}{k_B T_j} dt$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Measurable independently of model.

Some consequences

(1) In *stationary states* of reversible dynamics heat exchanges constrained

$$\langle e^{-\int_0^\tau \sum_j \frac{Q_j(t)}{k_B T_j} dt} \rangle = 1, \quad \left( \frac{1}{\tau} \log \langle \cdot \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow \infty} 0 \right)$$

Bonetto: stronger than Ruelle's:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\langle Q_j \rangle}{k_B T_j} \geq 0$$

Not to be confused with the formulae of Bockhov-Kuzovlev (and the later developments) dealing with properties of equilibrium distributions or of distributions with density in phase space.

(2) FR implies Fluctuation-Dissipation Theorem

## Fluids

(1) Fluid equations are not reversible. Equivalence conjecture:

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} + \underline{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \underline{\partial} \mathbf{u} = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} - \partial p + \mathbf{g},$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} + \underline{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \underline{\partial} \mathbf{u} = \alpha(\mathbf{u}) \Delta \mathbf{u} - \partial p + \mathbf{g}, \quad \alpha = \frac{\int \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{g}}{\int (\partial \mathbf{u})^2} \Rightarrow \int \mathbf{u}^2 = \mathcal{E} = \text{const}$$

Same statistics for “local observables”:  $F$  local  $\Rightarrow F$  depends on finitely many Fourier comp. of  $\mathbf{u}$ .

**Same statistics**  $\Rightarrow$  as  $R \rightarrow \infty$  if  $\mathcal{E}$  is chosen  $= \langle \int \mathbf{u}^2 \rangle_{\mu_\nu}$  (equivalence): “Gaussian NS eq.” or “GNS”. So far *only numerical tests in strongly cut off equations and  $d = 2$*  (Rondoni, Segre).

Problem: can reversibility be detected? Assume K41

K41  $\Rightarrow$  # of degrees of freedom is # of  $\mathbf{k}$ 's s.t.  $|\mathbf{k}| < R^{\frac{3}{4}}$

*Divergence:*  $\sigma \sim \nu \sum_{\mathbf{k}} 2|\mathbf{k}|^2 = \nu \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 \frac{8\pi}{5} R^{15/4}$

By FT probability (relative) to see “*wrong*” friction *for a time*  $\tau$  is

$$Prob_{srb} \sim \exp\left(-\tau\nu\frac{32\pi^3}{5L^2}R^{\frac{15}{4}}\right) = e^{-g\tau}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nu = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{cm^2}{sec}, \quad v = 10. \frac{cm}{sec} \quad L = 100. cm \\ R = 6.67 \cdot 10^4, \quad g = 3.66 \cdot 10^{14} sec^{-1} \\ Prob_{srb} = e^{-g\tau} = e^{-3.66 \cdot 10^8}, \quad \text{if } \tau = 10^{-6} \end{array} \right.$$

Viscosity is  $-\nu$  during  $10^{-6}s$  (*say*) with probability  $P$  above:  
similar to the recurrence times estimates.

## Quantum systems?

temperature? *finite* Thermostats? are CH and FT possible?

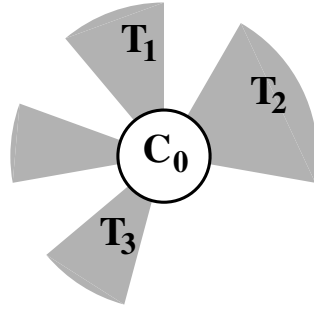


fig.2

$H$  operator on  $L_2(\mathcal{C}_0^{3N_0})$ , symm. or antisymm. waves  $\Psi$ ,

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2}\Delta_{\mathbf{x}_0} + U_0(\mathbf{x}_0) + \sum_{j>0} (U_{0j}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_j) + U_j(\mathbf{x}_j) + K_j)$$



Dynamical system on  $(\Psi, (\{\mathbf{X}_j\}, \{\dot{\mathbf{X}}_j\})_{j>0})$ :

$$-i\hbar\dot{\Psi}(\mathbf{X}_0) = (H\Psi)(\mathbf{X}_0),$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_j = -\left(\partial_j U_j(\mathbf{X}_j) + \langle \partial_j U_j(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) \rangle_{\Psi}\right) - \alpha_j \dot{\mathbf{X}}_j \quad j > 0$$

Constraint of constant  $K_j$

$$\alpha_j \stackrel{def}{=} \frac{\langle W_j \rangle_{\Psi} - \dot{U}_j}{2K_j}, \quad W_j \stackrel{def}{=} -\dot{\mathbf{X}}_j \cdot \partial_j U_{0j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j)$$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) \equiv \varepsilon(\mathbf{X}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}) + \dot{r}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j>0} \frac{Q_j}{k_B T_j} + \dots$$

Chaotic and reversible  $\Rightarrow$  FT

Consistency: single thermostat equivalent to Gibbs?

Attempt: probability proportional to  $d\Psi d\mathbf{X}_1 d\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1$  times

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_n} \delta(\Psi - \Psi_n(\mathbf{X}_1) e^{i\varphi_n}) d\varphi_n \delta(\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1^2 - 2K_1)$$

Stationary in the *adiabatic approximation only*.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle O \rangle_{\mu} &= Z^{-1} \int \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_n(\mathbf{X}_1)} \langle \Psi_n(\mathbf{X}_1) | O | \Psi_n(\mathbf{X}_1) \rangle \delta(\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1^2 - 2K_1) d\mathbf{X}_1 d\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1 \\ &= Z^{-1} \int \text{Tr} (e^{-\beta_1 H(\mathbf{X}_1)} O) \delta(\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1^2 - 2K_1) d\mathbf{X}_1 d\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1 \end{aligned}$$

Nevertheless if *adiabatic approximation* (*i.e.* classical motion in therm. is on a time scale *much slower* than the quantum evolution of the system).

**Conjecture:** true SRB is *also* equiv. to Gibbs at temp.  $(k_B\beta)^{-1}$

⇒ possibility of defining the temperature via the FT if  $Q$  is measurable or  $Q$  if  $T$  is measurable (originally suggested by Cugliandolo and Kurchan as a possible application of FT to define temperature in spin glasses)

$$\frac{\zeta(p) - \zeta(-p)}{p} = \frac{\langle Q \rangle}{k_B T}$$

a “device independent” definition of absolute temperature possibly useful in microscale systems empirically thermostatted by a single thermostat and subject to action of a nonconservative stirring force.

*Check of cancellation in adiabatic approx.*

Eigenstates at time 0 evolve following variations of Hamiltonian  $H(\mathbf{X}(t))$  due to thermostat particles motion, without changing quantum numbers.

[ Under time evolution a time  $t > 0$  infinitesimal:

$$\mathbf{X}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{X}_1 + t\dot{\mathbf{X}}_1 + O(t^2)$$

$$E_n(\mathbf{X}_1) \rightarrow E_n + t e_n + O(t^2) \quad \text{with}$$

$$e_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}_1 \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{X}_1} U_{01} \rangle_{\Psi_n} + t \dot{\mathbf{X}}_1 \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{X}_1} U_1 = -t(Q_1 + \dot{U}_1)$$

$$e^{-\beta E_n(\mathbf{X}_1)} \rightarrow e^{-\beta t e_n}$$

thermostat phase space contracts by  $e^{t\sigma} \equiv e^{t \frac{3N_1 e_n}{2K_1}}$

Therefore if  $\beta$  is chosen such that  $\beta = \frac{3N_1}{2K_1} \equiv (k_B T_1)^{-1}$  the distribution  $\langle \cdot \rangle_\mu$  is stationary.]

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