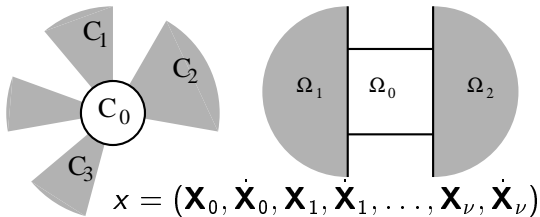


Frictionless & Gaussian thermostats: equivalence and thermodynamics limit

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Thermostat models (Feynman-Vernon 1963): finite system in contact with infinite. Examples



Initial state: $\mu_0(dx) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} C e^{-\sum_{j=0}^{\nu} \beta_j H_j(\mathbf{x}_j, \dot{\mathbf{x}}_j)} \prod_j \frac{d\mathbf{x}_j d\dot{\mathbf{x}}_j}{N_j!}$

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{0i} = -\partial_i U_0(\mathbf{X}_0) - \sum_{j>0} \partial_i U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) + \underline{\underline{z}}_i(\mathbf{X}_0) + \partial_i \Psi(\mathbf{X}_j)$$

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$$U_j(\mathbf{X}_j) = \sum_{q,q' \in \mathbf{X}_j} \varphi(q - q'), \quad U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) = \sum_{q \in \Omega_0, q' \in \Omega_j} \varphi(q - q')$$

$$\Psi(X) = \sum_{q \in X} \psi(q)$$

Initial state: infinite Gibbs;

With given chemical potentials λ_j and temperatures β_j^{-1}

No phase transitions \Rightarrow kinetic-potential energy density,
density and many observables are constant with μ_0 probability
1 at time $t = 0$

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\Lambda \cap \Omega_j|} K_{j,\Lambda}(x) = \frac{d}{2} \beta_j^{-1} \delta_j$$

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\Lambda \cap \Omega_j|} N_{j,\Lambda}(x) = \delta_j \quad \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\Lambda \cap \Omega_j|} U_{j,\Lambda}(x) = u_j$$

Thermostats should admit evolution: defined by “IR limit”.
 Cut-off in a ball Λ_n (side size $2^n r_\varphi$). Time evolution exists
 $x \rightarrow S_t^{(n,0)} x$;

it should be also $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_t^{(n,0)} x = S_t^{(0)} x$

Thermostats should have fixed temperature, density, energy density at all times (actually all intensive observables). In part.

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\Lambda \cap \Omega_j|} K_{j,\Lambda}(S_t^{(0)} x) = \frac{d}{2} \beta_j^{-1} \delta_j$$

Entropy: thermostats entropy increases by

$$\sigma_0(x) = \sum_{j>0} \frac{Q_j}{k_B T_j(x)}, \quad Q_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} - \dot{\mathbf{x}}_j \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{x}_j} U_{0,j}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_j)$$

Existence: Theorem by Caglioti, Marchioro, Pulvirenti (2000)

$W(x; \xi, R)$ = total energy + number of particles in ball $\mathcal{B}(\xi, R)$

Theorem: $\mathcal{E}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sup_{\xi} \sup_{R > (\log_+(\frac{\xi}{r_{\varphi}}))^{1/d}} \frac{W(x; \xi, R)}{R^d}$. Then $\exists C(\mathcal{E}), c(\mathcal{E})^{-1}$, increasing functions of \mathcal{E} , such that the frictionless evolution satisfies the local dynamics property and if $q_i(0) \in \Lambda_k$ ($v_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2\varphi(0)}{m}}$)

$$(1) \quad |\dot{q}^{(n,0)}(t)| \leq v_1 C(\mathcal{E}) k^{1/2},$$

$$(2) \quad \text{distance}(q_i^{(n,0)}(t), \partial(\cup_j \Omega_j \cap \Lambda)) \geq c(\mathcal{E}) k^{-3/2\alpha} r_{\varphi}$$

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{N}_i(t, n) \leq C(\mathcal{E}) k^{3/4}$$

$$(4) \quad |x_i^{(n,0)}(t) - x_i^{(0)}(t)| \leq C(\mathcal{E}) r_{\varphi} e^{-c(\mathcal{E})2^{nd/2}}$$

$\forall n > k$. The $x^{(0)}(t)$ is the unique solution of the frictionless equations satisfying the first three items above.

Q1: is the temperature fixed for $t > 0$? are intensive quantities constants of motion?

Q2: Alternative models (Λ_n -regularized)

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{0i} = -\partial_i U_0(\mathbf{X}_0) - \sum_{j>0} \partial_i U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) + \underline{\underline{z}}_i(\mathbf{X}_0) + \partial_i \Psi(\mathbf{X}_j)$$

$$m\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{ji} = -\partial_i U_j(\mathbf{X}_j) - \partial_i U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j) + \partial_i \Psi(\mathbf{X}_j) - \alpha_{j,n} \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{ji}$$

With $\alpha_{j,n}$ so fixed that $U_{j,\Lambda_n} + K_{j,\Lambda_n} = E_{j,\Lambda_n}$ is exact constant

$$\alpha_{j,n} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{Q_j}{d N_j k_B T_j(x)}, \quad Q_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\dot{\mathbf{X}}_j \cdot \partial_j U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j)$$

with $m\dot{\mathbf{X}}_j^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 2K_{j,\Lambda_n}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} d N_j k_B T_j(x)$

Equivalence? (in therm. lim. $\Lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$)

Idea: $Q_j \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\dot{\mathbf{X}}_j \cdot \partial_j U_{0,j}(\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_j)$ is of the order $O(1)$ hence $\alpha_j = \frac{Q_j}{d N_j k_B T_j(x)}$ **tends to 0** as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

But is $T_j(x) \geq c > 0$??

Theorem (Presutti, G): *with μ_0 -probability 1*

(a) $\frac{K_{j,\Lambda_n}(x)}{|\Lambda_n \cap \Omega_j|} \geq \frac{1}{4} d N_j \beta_j^{-1}$ (hence $\alpha \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$).

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_t^{(n,1)} \mathbf{x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_t^{(n,0)} \mathbf{x}$ for all $t > 0$.

(c) $\frac{d\mu_0(dx)}{dt} = -\sigma(x)\mu_0(dx)$ and

$$\sigma(x) = \sum_{j>0} \frac{Q_j}{k_B T_j(x)} + \beta_0 (\dot{K}_0 + \dot{U}_0 + \dot{\Psi}_0) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sigma_0(x) + \dot{F}(x)$$

Entropy production differs by a time derivative of a bounded observable from the volume contraction:

\Rightarrow average of $\sigma \equiv$ average of σ_0 **provided** $\beta_j(x)$ is a constant of motion as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\beta_j(S_t x) = \beta_j$

In other words: very generally phase space contraction can be identified with the physically defined entropy production.

Theorem: If $G_{V_n}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{|\Lambda_n \cap \Omega_j|} \sum_{Y \subset X \cap \Lambda_n} \Gamma(Y)$ is superstable for $|\varepsilon|$ small and if there are no phase transitions in the thermostats ($P(\varphi + \varepsilon \Gamma)$ (twice) differentiable at $\varepsilon = 0$)

$$\lim_{\Lambda_n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|\Lambda_n \cap \Omega_j|} G_{\Lambda_n \cap \Omega_j}(S_t x) = g$$

with μ_0 -probability 1 and for all $t > 0$.

Same with “no conditions” if, for each fixed m, n , the correlation functions of μ_0 cluster

$$\rho(q_1, \dots, q_n, y_1 + \xi, \dots, y_m + \xi) - \rho(q_1, \dots, q_n) \rho(y_1 + \xi, \dots, y_m + \xi) \xrightarrow{\xi \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

uniformly in the diameters of the sets $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$ and $\{y_1, \dots, y_m\}$.

Method: “*Entropy estimates*” for thermostatted motions

(I) Proof that kinetic energy per particle (in the Λ_n -regularized motion) stays $> \frac{d}{4}\beta_j^{-1}$ with μ_0 -probability 1 for $t \leq \Theta$.

(II) Proof that the number of particles and their (kinetic+wall) energy in a unit box grows at most with a power $\gamma \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ of $(\log_+(|\xi|/r_\varphi)) \cdot (\log n)$

This is based on combining an idea of Sinai, and one of Fritz-Dobrushin, and Marchioro, Pellegrinotti, Presutti, Pulvirenti (1975,1976).

Let $\|x\| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max_{\xi \in \Lambda_n} \frac{\max(N_{C_\xi}(x), \varepsilon_{C_\xi}(x))}{(\log_+(\xi/r_\varphi))^{1/2}}$

C_ξ = unit cube centered at ξ , $N_{C_\xi}(x)$ = number of particles in C_ξ , $\varepsilon_{C_\xi}^2 = \max_{q \in C_\xi} (\frac{1}{2}\dot{q}^2 + \psi(q))$.

1) Define for x s.t. $\mathcal{E}(x) \leq E$, the **stopping time** $\tau(x)$

$$T_n(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \max \{ t : t \leq \Theta : \forall \tau < t, \\ \frac{K_{j,n}(S_\tau^{(n,1)} x)}{\varphi_0} > \kappa 2^{nd}, \quad \|S_t^{(n,1)} x\|_n < (\log n)^\gamma \}.$$

2) show that before reaching the stopping time the frictionless evolution and the thermostatted evolution are very close for particles starting within Λ_k provided the cut-off $n \gg k$.

3) Check that the μ_0 -probability of $\mathcal{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \mid x \in \mathcal{X}_E \text{ and } T_n(x) \leq \Theta\}$ is

$$\mu_0(\mathcal{B}) \leq C e^{-c(\log n)^{2\gamma}}.$$

Via large deviations estimates.

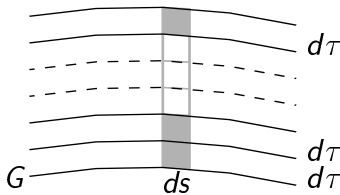
Estimate the probability of $\mathcal{X}_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\mathcal{E}(x) \leq E; T_n(x) < \Theta\}$.

From (2) derive a bound on the *max entropy production within the stopping time* as $|\int_0^{\tau_n(x)} \sigma(S_t^{(n,1)} x) dt| \leq C'$ with C' depending only on E .

For inst. estimate probab. that kinetic energy becomes smaller than $1/2$ of its μ_0 -almost sure asympt. value. $G = \frac{1}{4} N_j d\beta_j^{-1}$.

IF μ_0 were invariant

$$dsd\tau \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\int \mu_0(dx) |\dot{K}| \delta(K - G) \right) d\tau$$



Remark: *all shaded volumes would have the same μ_0 volume !*

Then $\mu_0(\mathcal{X}_n)$ is bounded, if $C \geq |\int_0^{\tau_n(x)} \sigma(S_{-t}x) dt|$, by:

$$e^{C'} \Theta \int ds |\dot{K}| \equiv e^{C'} \Theta \int \mu_0(dx) \delta(K - G) |\dot{K}|$$

Hence $\leq e^{C'} \Theta \int \mu_0(dx) \delta(K - (G - \eta)) |\dot{K}|$, for $\varepsilon \geq \eta \geq 0 \Rightarrow$
 (any $\varepsilon > \eta > 0!$)

$$\leq C \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_0^\varepsilon d\eta \int \mu_0(dx) \delta(K - (G - \eta)) |\dot{K}|$$

thus, by a large (kinetic energy) deviation estimate

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int \mu_0(dx) \chi(G - \eta \leq K \leq G) |\dot{K}| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \sqrt{\mu_0(\chi(G - \eta \leq K \leq G))} \sqrt{\mu_0(\dot{K}^2)} \leq e^{-\gamma|\Lambda_n|} \end{aligned}$$

with $\gamma > 0$: *summable* \Rightarrow “Borel-Cantelli” (after a similar bound on the second item appearing in definition of stopping time) yields that the stopping time must be Θ with μ_0 -prob 1.

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