

# Fluctuations and Responses in Stochastic Processes

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# Setting the stage

- Microscopic description of dynamics (**Classical**)

▶ Hamilton

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}}_i = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}_i}, \quad \dot{\mathbf{p}}_i = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{q}_i}$$

▶ Liouville  $\rho(\{\mathbf{q}_i\}, \{\mathbf{p}_i\}, t) d^N \mathbf{q} d^N \mathbf{p}$ : Prob. of finding system at time  $t$  inside  $d^N \mathbf{q} d^N \mathbf{p}$  in phase space

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} &= \left[ \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right] \rho \equiv -\mathcal{L}\rho \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \left( \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{dt} \rho \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \left( \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} \rho \right) \end{aligned}$$

- ★ This follows from Liouville theorem ( $d^N \mathbf{q} d^N \mathbf{p}$  is invariant; the Hamiltonian flow is incompressible),
- ★ And from

$$0 = \frac{d\rho}{dt} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{p}}$$

- ★ Continuity equation (e.g.  $\partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}$ , probability conservation)

# Mesoscopic Description of Dynamics

- **Langevin**: Effective dynamic equation including **stochastic** elements
- **Fokker – Planck**: Corresponding probability conservation equation
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  - ▶ Fluctuation-Dissipation Theorem (Relation)
  - ▶ Fluctuation-Response Relation
  - ▶ Linear Response Theory
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# Langevin equation

Brownian motion

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = F(t)$$

What to include in  $F(t)$ ?

- frictional force  $-\gamma v$  :  $v(t) = e^{-\gamma t/m} v(0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Inconsistent with  $\langle v^2 \rangle = k_B T/m$  at thermal equilibrium
- Need fluctuating (random) force  $\xi(t)$  to keep it alive
  - ▶ Simplest form of random force: Gaussian white noise

$$\langle \xi(t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \xi(t) \xi(t') \rangle = 2B \delta(t - t')$$

$$\boxed{m \frac{dv}{dt} = -\gamma v + \xi(t)}$$

- Effect of environment ("heat bath"): systematic part ( $-\gamma v$ ) + fluctuating part ( $\xi$ )
- There is a relationship between the two: Fluctuation-Dissipation Relation

Let  $v(t) = e^{-\gamma t/m} w(t)$ , then  $dw/dt = e^{\gamma t/m} \xi(t)/m$ . Therefore

$$v(t) = e^{-\gamma t/m} v(0) + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')/m} \xi(t')/m$$

Let us calculate  $\langle v(t_1)v(t_2) \rangle$ . The cross term is zero. We have to evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{t_1} dt' e^{-\gamma(t_1-t')/m} \int_0^{t_2} dt'' e^{-\gamma(t_2-t'')/m} \langle \xi(t')\xi(t'') \rangle / m^2 \\ &= e^{-\gamma(t_1+t_2)/m} \int_0^{t_1} dt' \int_0^{t_2} dt'' e^{\gamma(t'+t'')/m} 2B\delta(t' - t'') / m^2 \\ &= \frac{B}{\gamma m} e^{-\gamma(t_1+t_2)/m} \left[ e^{2\gamma \min(t_1, t_2)/m} - 1 \right] = \frac{B}{\gamma m} (e^{-\gamma|t_1-t_2|/m} - e^{-\gamma(t_1+t_2)/m}) \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\langle v(t_1)v(t_2) \rangle = \left( v^2(0) - \frac{B}{\gamma m} \right) e^{-\gamma(t_1+t_2)/m} + \frac{B}{\gamma m} e^{-\gamma|t_1-t_2|/m}$$

$$\langle v^2(t) \rangle = e^{-2\gamma t/m} \left( v^2(0) - \frac{B}{\gamma m} \right) + \frac{B}{\gamma m} \rightarrow \frac{B}{\gamma m} \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

Comparing with  $\langle v^2 \rangle_{\text{eq}} = k_B T/m$ , we have

$$\boxed{\gamma = \frac{B}{k_B T} = \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^\infty dt \langle \xi(t) \xi(0) \rangle} \quad \text{FDR of 2nd kind}$$

Balance between **dissipation** (driving to "dead" state) and **fluctuation** (driving to "alive" state) to maintain thermal equilibrium.

Note that

- If  $v^2(0) = B/(\gamma m) = k_B T/m$ , then  $\langle v^2(t) \rangle = \langle v^2 \rangle_{\text{eq}}$
- If  $v^2(0) = B/(\gamma m) = k_B T/m$ , then  $\langle v(t_1)v(t_2) \rangle = \langle v(t_1 - t_2)v(0) \rangle$

Mean Squared Displacement,  $\langle(\Delta x(t))^2\rangle$ , where  $\Delta x(t) \equiv x(t) - x(0)$ .

$$\langle(\Delta x(t))^2\rangle = \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' \langle v(t')v(t'')\rangle.$$

Consider

$$\frac{\partial\langle(\Delta x(t))^2\rangle}{\partial t} = 2 \int_0^t dt'' \langle v(t)v(t'')\rangle = 2 \int_0^t dt'' \langle v(t-t'')v(0)\rangle = 2 \int_0^t ds \langle v(s)v(0)\rangle$$

We expect  $\langle(\Delta x(t))^2\rangle \sim 2Dt$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  with diffusion constant  $D$ . We have

$$\boxed{D = \int_0^\infty ds \langle v(s)v(0)\rangle} \quad \text{Green-Kubo formula}$$

Explicit calculation shows that (\* Exercise)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle(\Delta x(t))^2\rangle &= \frac{2B}{\gamma^2} \left[ t - \frac{m}{\gamma} + \frac{m}{\gamma} e^{-\gamma t/m} \right] + \left( v_0^2 - \frac{B}{\gamma m} \right) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-\gamma t/m}}{\gamma/m} \right)^2 \\ &\sim \frac{2B}{\gamma^2} t \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

We can identify

$$D = \frac{B}{\gamma^2} = \frac{k_B T}{\gamma} \quad \text{Einstein relation}$$

We can write for mobility  $\mu$  as

$$\mu \equiv \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^\infty dt \langle v(t)v(0) \rangle \quad \text{FDR of 1st kind}$$

Suppose there is an uniform external driving force  $f$  so that

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = -\frac{v}{\mu} + f + \xi(t)$$

As  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , the average velocity approaches

$$\langle v \rangle \rightarrow \mu f$$

Therefore we can regard  $\mu$  as a **response** of the velocity to the external driving. So the above FDR is a relationship between the **response** and the **correlation** or fluctuation.  $\Rightarrow$

**Fluctuation – Response Relation**

## Exercise

Consider for a set of variables  $\mathbf{a}(t) = \{a_i(t)\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$

$$\frac{da_i}{dt} = \sum_j G_{ij}a_j + \xi_i(t), \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d\mathbf{a}}{dt} = \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{a} + \boldsymbol{\xi}(t),$$

where

$$\langle \xi_i(t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \xi_i(t)\xi_j(t') \rangle = 2B_{ij}\delta(t - t')$$

The dissipation matrix  $\mathbf{G} = \{G_{ij}\}$  is not necessarily a symmetric matrix whose eigenvalues have negative real parts. In the long time limit, we expect  $\langle a_i(t)a_j(t) \rangle$  approaches the equilibrium value  $\langle a_i a_j \rangle_{\text{eq}} = M_{ij}$ . ( $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$  are by definition symmetric matrices.)

Find the relationship among the matrices  $\mathbf{G}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{M}$ .  
(Hint: Try  $\mathbf{a}(t) = e^{\mathbf{G}t} \cdot \mathbf{b}(t)$ .)

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## Generalized Langevin equations

Consider generalized friction term including memory effect: (N.B. Formal derivation from Liouville equations using Projection Operators by Mori and Zwanzig)

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = - \int_0^t dt' \gamma(t-t')v(t') + \xi(t)$$

### Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{L}\{v\} = \hat{v}(\omega) \equiv \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} v(t), \quad \text{Im}(\omega) > 0,$$

$$\mathcal{L}\{\dot{v}\} = -v(0) - i\omega \hat{v}(\omega), \quad \mathcal{L}\left\{\int_0^t dt' \gamma(t-t')v(t')\right\} = \hat{\gamma}(\omega)\hat{v}(\omega)$$

Multiply by  $v(0)$  and take the average remembering  $\langle \xi(t)v(0) \rangle = 0$  for  $t > 0$ .

$$\frac{dC(t)}{dt} = - \int_0^t dt' \gamma(t-t')C(t') \quad \text{with} \quad C(t) \equiv \langle v(t)v(0) \rangle, \quad \text{or}$$

$$\hat{C}(\omega) = \frac{\langle v^2(0) \rangle}{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)/m - i\omega}$$

Suppose adding a time-dependent external driving force  $f(t)$ . Taking the average and Laplace transform,

$$-i\omega\langle\hat{v}(\omega)\rangle - v(0) = -\frac{1}{m}\hat{\gamma}(\omega)\langle\hat{v}(\omega)\rangle + \frac{1}{m}\hat{f}(\omega),$$

We introduce the response function  $\mu(t)$  as

$$\langle v(t) \rangle = \int_0^t dt' \mu(t-t') f(t'), \quad \hat{\mu}(\omega) = \frac{1}{m} \frac{1}{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)/m - i\omega}$$

We therefore have

$$\hat{\mu}(\omega) = \frac{1}{m\langle v^2(0) \rangle} \hat{C}(\omega), \quad \mu(t) = \frac{1}{m\langle v^2(0) \rangle} \langle v(t)v(0) \rangle$$

If  $\langle v^2(0) \rangle = k_B T/m$ , then

$$\hat{\mu}(\omega) = \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle v(t)v(0) \rangle$$

FDR of 1st kind

To show FDR of 2nd kind, consider

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{m^2} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \xi(0)\xi(t) \rangle &= \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \left\langle \dot{v}(0) \left[ \dot{v}(t) + \frac{1}{m} \int_0^t dt' \gamma(t-t')v(t') \right] \right\rangle \\ &= \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \dot{v}(0)\dot{v}(t) \rangle + \frac{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)}{m} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \dot{v}(0)v(t) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Time-translational invariance:

$$\frac{d}{dt_0} \langle v(t_0)v(t_0+t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \dot{v}(t_0)v(t_0+t) \rangle = -\langle v(t_0)\dot{v}(t_0+t) \rangle, \quad \langle \dot{v}(t_0)v(t_0) \rangle = 0$$

Integrating by parts the first term, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{m^2} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \xi(0)\xi(t) \rangle &= -i\omega \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \dot{v}(0)v(t) \rangle + \frac{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)}{m} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \dot{v}(0)v(t) \rangle \\ &= \left( i\omega - \frac{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)}{m} \right) \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle v(0)\dot{v}(t) \rangle \\ &= \left( i\omega - \frac{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)}{m} \right) \left( -\langle v^2(0) \rangle - i\omega \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle v(0)v(t) \rangle \right) \\ &= \left( i\omega - \frac{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)}{m} \right) \left( -\langle v^2(0) \rangle - i\omega \frac{\langle v^2(0) \rangle}{\hat{\gamma}(\omega)/m - i\omega} \right) \end{aligned}$$

We therefore have

$$\frac{1}{m^2} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \xi(0)\xi(t) \rangle = \frac{\langle v^2(0) \rangle}{m} \hat{\gamma}(\omega)$$

or

$$\hat{\gamma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{m \langle v^2(0) \rangle} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \xi(0)\xi(t) \rangle$$

If  $\langle v^2(0) \rangle = k_B T/m$ , then

$$\boxed{\hat{\gamma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_0^\infty dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \xi(0)\xi(t) \rangle} \quad \text{FDR of 2nd kind}$$

We have a **colored** noise: non-Markovian dynamics

For  $\gamma(t) = \gamma\delta(t)$ , we recover the white noise limit.

## Detour: Appearance of memory term

Treat a heat bath as a collection of harmonic oscillators:  $H = H_S + H_B$

- System

$$H_S = \frac{p^2}{2m} + U(x)$$

- Bath + Coupling

$$H_B = \sum_j \left( \frac{p_j^2}{2} + \frac{\omega_j^2}{2} \left( q_j - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x \right)^2 \right)$$

- Coupling is bilinear:  $-\gamma_j q_j x$ .
- $\gamma_j^2 x^2 / (2\omega_j^2)$  can be absorbed into  $U(x)$

Eqs. of motion:

$$\dot{x} = p/m, \quad \dot{p} = -U'(x) + \sum_j \gamma_j \left( q_j - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x \right)$$

$$\dot{q}_j = p_j, \quad \dot{p}_j = -\omega_j^2 q_j + \gamma_j x$$

Rewrite the second set as

$$\dot{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{B}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} q_j \\ p_j \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega_j^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \gamma_j x \end{pmatrix}$$

The solution to this equation is

$$\mathbf{Q}(t) = e^{\mathbf{A}t} \cdot \mathbf{Q}(0) + \int_0^t ds e^{\mathbf{A}(t-s)} \cdot \mathbf{B}(s)$$

We can easily show that

$$e^{\mathbf{A}t} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega_j t) & \frac{1}{\omega_j} \sin(\omega_j t) \\ -\omega_j \sin(\omega_j t) & \cos(\omega_j t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Integrate by parts the integral in the solution for  $q_j(t)$ :

$$q_j(t) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(t) = \{q_j(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(0)\} \cos(\omega_j t) + \frac{p_j(0)}{\omega_j} \sin(\omega_j t) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} \int_0^t ds \cos(\omega_j(t-s)) \frac{p(s)}{m}$$

Inserting this into the first set of equations of motion,

$$\dot{p} = -U'(x) - \int_0^t ds K(t-s) \frac{p(s)}{m} + \xi(t),$$

where

$$K(t) = \sum_j \frac{\gamma_j^2}{\omega_j^2} \cos(\omega_j t),$$

and

$$\xi(t) = \sum_j \left[ \gamma_j \left\{ q_j(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(0) \right\} \cos(\omega_j t) + \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j} p_j(0) \sin(\omega_j t) \right]$$

Suppose we prepare the bath at  $t = 0$  following the distribution  $\sim \exp(-H_B/(k_B T))$ , then

$$\langle p_j(0) \rangle = \langle q_j(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(0) \rangle = 0$$

and

$$\left\langle \frac{p_j^2(0)}{2} \right\rangle = \frac{k_B T}{2}, \quad \frac{\omega_j^2}{2} \left\langle \left( q_j(0) - \frac{\gamma_j}{\omega_j^2} x(0) \right)^2 \right\rangle = \frac{k_B T}{2}$$

We finally have

$$\langle \xi(t) \xi(t') \rangle = k_B T \sum_j \frac{\gamma_j^2}{\omega_j^2} \cos(\omega(t-t')) = (k_B T) K(t-t'), \quad \text{FDT of 2nd kind}$$

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# Fokker-Planck Equation

Sometimes we face nonlinear problems like (Brownian particle in a potential)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{p}{m} \\ \frac{dp}{dt} &= -\gamma \frac{p}{m} - \nabla U(x) + \xi(t), \quad \langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle = 2B\delta(t-t')\end{aligned}$$

Consider a general form for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ,

$$\boxed{\frac{dx_i}{dt} = f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) + \xi_i(t)},$$

where  $\langle \xi_i(t) \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle \xi_i(t)\xi_j(t') \rangle = 2D_{ij}\delta(t-t')$ .

Work with the Fokker-Planck equation for the probability density  $P(\mathbf{x}, t)$  at time  $t$ .

Consider

$$P(\mathbf{x}, t+dt) = \int d\mathbf{x}_0 P(\mathbf{x}, t+dt; \mathbf{x}_0, t) = \int d\mathbf{x}_0 P(\mathbf{x}, t+dt|\mathbf{x}_0, t)P(\mathbf{x}_0, t), \quad (\star)$$

where  $P(\mathbf{x}_2, t_2|\mathbf{x}_1, t_1)$  is the conditional probability.

We can write

$$P(\mathbf{x}, t + dt | \mathbf{x}_0, t) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}(t + dt)) \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(t)=\mathbf{x}_0},$$

where  $\langle \cdots \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(t)=\mathbf{x}_0}$  is the average over the noise with the condition that  $\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}_0$ .

Note that

$$\Delta x_i \equiv x_i(t + dt) - x_i(t) = f_i(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \xi_i(t')$$

and that

$$\int_t^{t+dt} dt' \xi_i(t') = O(\sqrt{dt})$$

We now Taylor expand up to  $O(dt)$

$$P(\mathbf{x}, t + dt | \mathbf{x}_0, t) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}(t) - \Delta \mathbf{x}) \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(t)=\mathbf{x}_0}$$

Keeping up to  $O(dt)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\mathbf{x}, t + dt | \mathbf{x}_0, t) &= \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) - \sum_i \left\langle f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) dt + \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \xi_i(t') \right\rangle_{\mathbf{x}(t)=\mathbf{x}_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \\
 &+ \sum_{i,j} \left\langle \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \int_t^{t+dt} dt'' \xi_i(t') \xi_j(t'') \right\rangle \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \\
 &= \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) - (dt) \sum_i f_i(\mathbf{x}_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) + (dt) \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Inserting this into (★), we have the F-P equation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} P(\mathbf{x}, t) = - \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (f_i(\mathbf{x}) P(\mathbf{x}, t)) + \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} D_{ij} P(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

## Detour: Langevin equation with multiplicative noise

Consider the case where  $\dot{x}_i = f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) + \xi_i(\mathbf{x}, t)$  with (summation convention)

$$\xi_i(\mathbf{x}, t) = g_{ia}(\mathbf{x})\eta_a(t), \quad \langle \eta_a(t) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \eta_a(t)\eta_b(t') \rangle = \delta_{ab}\delta(t - t')$$

The additive noise case corresponds to  $g = \text{const.}$  and  $g_{ia}g_{ja} = 2D_{ij}$ .

Then we can write for an arbitrary  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , (with  $\Delta\mathbf{x} \equiv \mathbf{x}(t + dt) - \mathbf{x}(t)$ )

$$\int_t^{t+dt} dt' \xi_i(t') = g_{ia}(\mathbf{x}(t) + \alpha\Delta\mathbf{x}) \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \eta_a(t'),$$

where the function  $g$  is evaluated at some intermediate point.

- $\alpha = 0$ : Itô (prepoint)
- $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ : Stratonovich (midpoint)

Unlike the ordinary calculus,  $\alpha$ -dependent term makes the difference as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\langle \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \xi_i(\mathbf{x}, t') \right\rangle &= \alpha \left\langle (\partial_j g_{ia}(\mathbf{x}(t))) (\Delta x)_j \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \eta_a(t') \right\rangle \\
 &= \alpha \left\langle (\partial_j g_{ia}(\mathbf{x}(t))) \int_t^{t+dt} dt'' \xi_j(t'') \int_t^{t+dt} dt' \eta_a(t') \right\rangle \\
 &= \alpha(dt) g_{ja}(\mathbf{x}) (\partial_j g_{ia}(\mathbf{x}))
 \end{aligned}$$

Following the same steps as above, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P(\mathbf{x}, t) &= - \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} ([f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha g_{ja}(\mathbf{x}) \partial_j g_{ia}(\mathbf{x})] P(\mathbf{x}, t)) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} g_{ia}(\mathbf{x}) g_{ja}(\mathbf{x}) P(\mathbf{x}, t)
 \end{aligned}$$

The Langevin equation with multiplicative noise must be supplemented by the prescription parameter  $\alpha$  which tells us how to interpret the multiplicative noise.

- The F-P equation is of the form

$$\partial_t P(\mathbf{x}, t) = -L(\mathbf{x})P = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J},$$

where

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f_i(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} D_{ij}$$

is the F-P differential operator and

$$J_i = f_i P - \sum_j \partial_j D_{ij} P$$

is the probability current.

- Stationary solution:  $P^s(x)$  satisfies  $\partial_t P^s = L P^s = 0$  or  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}^s = 0$ .

▷ Examples

- Brownian motion

$$\partial_t P(p, t) = \partial_p \left( \frac{\gamma}{m} p + B \partial_p \right) P(p, t)$$

Maxwell-Boltzmann dist.

$$P_{\text{eq}} \sim \exp(-p^2 / (2mk_B T))$$

becomes the stationary solution if  $\gamma = B / (k_B T)$ . [FDR of 2nd kind] In this case  $J^s = 0$ .

- Brownian particle in a potential (Kramer's equation)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{p}{m}$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = -\gamma \frac{p}{m} - \nabla U(x) + \xi(t), \quad \langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle = 2B\delta(t-t')$$

$$\partial_t P(x, p, t) = -\partial_x \frac{p}{m} P(x, p, t) - \partial_p \left( -\frac{\gamma}{m} p - (\partial_x U(x)) - B\partial_p \right) P(x, p, t)$$

Again equilibrium dist.

$$P_{\text{eq}} \sim \exp \left[ -\frac{p^2}{2mk_B T} - \frac{U(x)}{k_B T} \right]$$

becomes the stationary solution  $P^s$  if  $\gamma = B/(k_B T)$ .

In this case, stationary currents

$$J_x^s(x, p) = \frac{p}{m} P^s(x, p), \quad J_p^s(x, p) = \left(-\frac{\gamma}{m} p - (\partial_x U(x)) - B \partial_p\right) P^s(x, p)$$

do not vanish. But the "irreversible" part

$$J_p^{s,ir}(x, p) \equiv \left(-\frac{\gamma}{m} p - B \partial_p\right) P^s(x, p) = 0$$

does vanish. The "reversible" part  $J_p^{s,rev}(x, p) \equiv -(\partial_x U(x)) P^s(x, p)$  satisfies

$$\partial_x J_x^s + \partial_p J_p^{s,rev} = 0$$

- Driven colloidal particle in a periodic potential

- Overdamped limit: Friction is so large that inertia term can be neglected. In 1d,

$$\dot{x} = \gamma^{-1}f(x) + \eta(t), \quad \langle \eta(t)\eta(t') \rangle = 2D\delta(t - t'),$$

where  $D = B\gamma^{-2}$ . In equilibrium Einstein relation holds;  $B = \gamma(k_B T)$  or  $D = (k_B T)/\gamma$ .

Stationary state satisfies

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( -\gamma^{-1}f(x) + D \frac{d}{dx} \right) P^s(x) = 0$$

If  $f(x) = -V'(x) + F$  where  $V(x)$  is a periodic potential and  $F$  is a uniform drive, one can have nonzero stationary current

$$J^s = \gamma^{-1}f(x)P^s(x) - DP^{s'}(x) \neq 0.$$

- Nonequilibrium steady state (NESS): Detailed Balance is broken

# Detailed Balance

The Fokker-Planck equation can be written as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} P(\mathbf{x}, t) = \int d\mathbf{x}' [W_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'} P(\mathbf{x}', t) - W_{\mathbf{x}',\mathbf{x}} P(\mathbf{x}, t)],$$

where  $W_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'}$  is the transition rate from  $\mathbf{x}'$  to  $\mathbf{x}$  given by

$$W_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'} = -L(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') = \left[ -\sum_i \partial_i f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$$

The Detailed Balance condition for the stationary state distribution is defined by

$$W_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'} P^s(\mathbf{x}') = W_{\mathbf{x}',\mathbf{x}} P^s(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{l.h.s.}) &= -L(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')P^S(\mathbf{x}') = -L(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \\
&= - (L(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}))\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') + \sum_i \left( -f_i(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) + 2 \sum_j D_{ij}(\partial_j P^S(\mathbf{x})) \right) \partial_i \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \\
&\quad + \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{r.h.s.}) &= \left[ - \sum_i \partial'_i f_i(\mathbf{x}') + \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) P^S(\mathbf{x}) \\
&= P^S(\mathbf{x}) \left[ - \sum_i \partial'_i f_i(\mathbf{x}') + \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \\
&= P^S(\mathbf{x}) \left[ \sum_i f_i(\mathbf{x}) \partial_i + \sum_{i,j} D_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \equiv -P^S(\mathbf{x}) L^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')
\end{aligned}$$

- Coefficient of  $\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ :  $L(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) = 0$

- Coefficient of  $\partial_i \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ :

$$-f_i(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) + 2 \sum_j D_{ij}(\partial_j P^S(\mathbf{x})) = f_i(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}), \quad \text{or} \quad J_i^S = 0$$

- Coefficient of  $\partial_i \partial_j \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ : automatically satisfied

In the presence of odd-parity variables like momentum (which changes sign under time reversal), we introduce  $\epsilon_i = +1$  if  $x_i$  is even (e.g. position) and  $\epsilon_i = -1$  if  $x_i$  is odd (e.g. momentum).

The DB condition in this case is

$$W_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'} P^S(\mathbf{x}') = W_{\epsilon \mathbf{x}', \epsilon \mathbf{x}} P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(r.h.s.)} &= \left[ - \sum_i \epsilon_i \partial'_i f_i(\epsilon \mathbf{x}') + \sum_{i,j} \epsilon_i \epsilon_j D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \\ &= P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \left[ - \sum_i \epsilon_i \partial'_i f_i(\epsilon \mathbf{x}') + \sum_{i,j} \epsilon_i \epsilon_j D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \\ &= P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \left[ \sum_i \epsilon_i f_i(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \partial_i + \sum_{i,j} \epsilon_i \epsilon_j D_{ij} \partial_i \partial_j \right] \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \equiv -P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) L^\dagger(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \end{aligned}$$

- Coefficient of  $\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ :  $L(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) = 0$

- Coefficient of  $\partial_i \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ :

$$-f_i(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) + 2 \sum_j D_{ij}(\partial_j P^S(\mathbf{x})) = \epsilon_i f_i(\epsilon \mathbf{x})P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x})$$

- Coefficient of  $\partial_i \partial_j \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$ :  $D_{ij}P^S(\mathbf{x}) = \epsilon_i \epsilon_j D_{ij}P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow P^S(\mathbf{x}) = P^S(\epsilon \mathbf{x})$

Define  $\mathbf{f} \equiv \mathbf{f}^{\text{rev}} + \mathbf{f}^{\text{ir}}$ :

$$f_i^{\text{rev}}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{1}{2}[f_i(\mathbf{x}) - \epsilon_i f_i(\epsilon\mathbf{x})], \quad f_i^{\text{ir}}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{1}{2}[f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon_i f_i(\epsilon\mathbf{x})]$$

such that  $f_i^{\text{rev}}(\epsilon\mathbf{x}) = -\epsilon_i f_i^{\text{rev}}(\mathbf{x})$  behaves like  $\dot{x}_i$  and  $f_i^{\text{ir}}(\epsilon\mathbf{x}) = \epsilon_i f_i^{\text{ir}}(\mathbf{x})$  behaves opposite to  $\dot{x}_i$  under time reversal.

For example,

$$\dot{x} = \underbrace{p/m}_{f_x^{\text{rev}}}, \quad \dot{p} = \underbrace{-(\gamma/m)p}_{f_p^{\text{ir}}} - \underbrace{U'(x)}_{f_p^{\text{rev}}} + \xi$$

The second condition for DB becomes

$$f_i^{\text{ir}}(\mathbf{x})P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_j D_{ij}\partial_j P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv J_i^{\text{s,ir}}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

or

$$f_i^{\text{ir}}(\mathbf{x}) = - \sum_j D_{ij}\partial_j \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \text{where } P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-\phi(\mathbf{x})}$$

The total stationary current  $J_i^{\text{s}} = J_i^{\text{s,rev}} + J_i^{\text{s,ir}}$ : The first condition becomes

$$\sum_i \partial_i J_i^{\text{s,rev}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \partial_i (f_i^{\text{rev}}(\mathbf{x})P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x})) = 0$$

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# Fluctuation-Response Relations / Fokker-Planck Equations

For the F-P eq.  $\partial_t P = -L P$ , consider the case where we apply a small time-dependent perturbation such that

$$L(\mathbf{x}, t) = L_0(\mathbf{x}) + L_1(\mathbf{x}, t) = L_0(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda(t)L_1(\mathbf{x}), \quad \lambda \text{ small}$$

Let  $P^S$  be the stationary solution of  $L_0$ :  $L_0(\mathbf{x})P^S(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ .

Write  $P = P^S + P_1$  then the F-P eq. becomes for small  $\lambda$

$$\partial_t(P^S + P_1) = -(L_0 + L_1)(P^S + P_1), \quad \text{or} \quad \partial_t P_1 = -L_0 P_1 - L_1 P^S + O(\lambda^2)$$

The solution with initial condition  $P_1(\mathbf{x}, -\infty) = 0$ ,  $P(\mathbf{x}, -\infty) = P^S(\mathbf{x})$  is

$$P_1(\mathbf{x}, t) = - \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} L_1(\mathbf{x}, t') P^S(\mathbf{x})$$

The average of an observable  $A(\mathbf{x})$  is given by

$$\langle A \rangle_t \equiv \int d\mathbf{x} P(\mathbf{x}, t) A(\mathbf{x}).$$

The response to the perturbation is studied using the **response function**

$$\begin{aligned} R_A(t, t') &\equiv \left. \frac{\delta \langle A \rangle_t}{\delta \lambda(t')} \right|_{\lambda=0} \\ &= - \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} L_1(\mathbf{x}) P^S(\mathbf{x}), \quad t > t' \end{aligned}$$

We define the correlation function  $C_{AB}^0(t, t') = \langle A(t)B(t') \rangle_0$  of two observables  $A(\mathbf{x})$  and  $B(\mathbf{x})$  at two different times  $t > t'$  in the stationary state as

$$C_{AB}^0(t, t') = \int d\mathbf{x} \int d\mathbf{x}' A(\mathbf{x}) P(\mathbf{x}, t | \mathbf{x}', t') P^s(\mathbf{x}') B(\mathbf{x}')$$

The symbolic solution to the F-P eq. is  $P(\mathbf{x}, t) = \exp[-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t - t_0)]P(\mathbf{x}, t_0)$ , so the conditional probability is  $P(\mathbf{x}, t | \mathbf{x}', t') = \exp[-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t - t')] \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$

$$C_{AB}^0(t, t') = \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} B(\mathbf{x}) P^s(\mathbf{x}), \quad t > t'$$

For  $t' > t$ ,

$$C_{AB}^0(t, t') = \int d\mathbf{x} B(\mathbf{x}) e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t'-t)} A(\mathbf{x}) P^s(\mathbf{x}), \quad t' > t$$

We have the Fluctuation-Response Relation

$$R_A(t, t') = \begin{cases} C_{AB}^0(t, t'), & t > t' \\ 0, & t < t' \end{cases}$$

where

$$B(\mathbf{x}) \equiv -\frac{1}{P^s(\mathbf{x})} L_1(\mathbf{x}) P^s(\mathbf{x})$$

□ Example 1: Perturbation of the stationary state satisfying DB  
 Consider for some  $i$

$$\dot{x}_i = f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{\lambda(t)}_{\text{perturbation}} + \xi_i(t)$$

$$L_1^i(\mathbf{x}, t) = \lambda(t)\partial_i, \quad L_1^i(\mathbf{x}) = \partial_i$$

$$B_i(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{P^s(\mathbf{x})}\partial_i P^s(\mathbf{x}) = -\sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} f_j^{\text{ir}}(\mathbf{x}),$$

where we have used the DB condition,  $J_i^{\text{s,ir}} = f_i^{\text{ir}} P^s - \sum_j D_{ij} \partial_j P^s = 0$ .

$$R_A^i(t, t') = -\sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle A(t) f_j^{\text{ir}}(t') \rangle_0, \quad t > t'$$

△ Special case:  $f = f^{\text{ir}}$ : Consider (summation convention)

$$\begin{aligned} L_0(x_i P^{\text{S}}(\mathbf{x})) &= \partial_k (f_k x_i P^{\text{S}}) - \partial_k \partial_l (D_{kl} x_i P^{\text{S}}) \\ &= f_i P^{\text{S}} + \underbrace{x_i \partial_k (f_k P^{\text{S}}) - x_i D_{kl} \partial_k \partial_l P^{\text{S}}}_{x_i L_0 P^{\text{S}} = 0} - 2D_{ik} \partial_k P^{\text{S}} = -f_i P^{\text{S}} \end{aligned}$$

For  $t > t'$

$$\begin{aligned} R_A^i(t, t') &= -[D^{-1}]_{ij} \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} f_j(\mathbf{x}) P^{\text{S}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= [D^{-1}]_{ij} \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-L_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} L_0(x_j P^{\text{S}}(\mathbf{x})) \\ &= [D^{-1}]_{ij} \frac{d}{dt'} \langle A(t) x_j(t') \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

- Overdamped system

$$\dot{x} = \gamma^{-1}f(x) + \xi(t), \quad \langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle = 2D\delta(t-t'), \quad D = k_B T/\gamma$$

Note that  $f = f^{\text{ir}}$ . Therefore, we have

$$R_A(t, t') = -D^{-1}\gamma^{-1}\langle A(t)f(t') \rangle_0 = -\frac{1}{k_B T}\langle A(t)f(t') \rangle_0, \quad t > t'$$

and

$$\boxed{R_A(t, t') = \frac{1}{D}\langle A(t)\dot{x}(t') \rangle_0}, \quad t > t'$$

- Brownian motion with momentum dependent irreversible force

$$\dot{p} = -\frac{\gamma}{m}p + f(x) + g(p) + \xi(t), \quad \langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle = 2B\delta(t-t'), \quad B = \gamma k_B T$$

$g(p)$  is irreversible:  $g(-p) = -g(p)$ . Total irreversible force:  $-\gamma p/m + g(p)$ . Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_A(t, t') &= -B^{-1} \langle A(t')(-\gamma p(t')/m + g(p(t'))) \rangle_0 \\ &= \frac{1}{k_B T} \langle A(t) \frac{p(t')}{m} \rangle_0 - \frac{1}{B} \langle A(t) g(p(t')) \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

□ Example 2: Perturbation of stationary state without DB Consider again for some  $i$  (We also assume that  $f = f^{\text{ir}}$ .)

$$\dot{x}_i = f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda(t) + \xi_i(t), \quad L_1^i(\mathbf{x}, t) = \lambda(t)\partial_i,$$

Without assuming DB, we have for  $P^{\text{s}} = e^{-\phi}$ ,

$$\frac{J_i^{\text{s}}}{P^{\text{s}}} = f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_j D_{ij}\partial_j\phi(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \nu_i \neq 0$$

$$B_i(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x})}\partial_i P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x}) = \partial_i\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij}(\nu_j - f_j)$$

Therefore,

$$R_A^i(t, t') = \langle A(t)\partial_i\phi(t') \rangle = \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle A(t)(\nu_j(t') - f_j(t')) \rangle, \quad t > t'$$

We again have

$$L_0(x_i P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x})) = \partial_k(f_k x_i P^{\text{s}}) - \partial_k \partial_l (D_{kl} x_i P^{\text{s}}) = f_i P^{\text{s}} - 2D_{ik}\partial_k P^{\text{s}} = (2\nu_i - f_i)P^{\text{s}}$$

or  $L_0(x_i P^{\text{s}}) - \nu_i P^{\text{s}} = (\nu_i - f_i)P^{\text{s}}$ . Therefore, we can also write

$$R_A^i(t, t') = \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle A(t)(\dot{x}_j(t') - \nu_j(t')) \rangle, \quad t > t'$$

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# Fluctuation-Response Relations / Liouville equations

The Liouville eq. (with  $\mathbf{x} \equiv (\{\mathbf{q}_i, \mathbf{p}_i\})$ )

$$\partial_t \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) = \left[ \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right] \rho = \{H, \rho\}_{\text{PB}} \equiv -\mathcal{L}_0 \rho(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Apply a small time-dependent perturbation to Hamiltonian as  $H - \lambda(t)M(\mathbf{x})$ .

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda(t)\mathcal{L}_1(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_1 \rho = \{M, \rho\}_{\text{PB}}$ . Equilibrium dist.  $\rho_{\text{eq}} = (1/Z) \exp(-\beta H)$  is the stationary solution of  $\mathcal{L}_0$ :  $\mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{x})\rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ .

Write  $\rho = \rho_{\text{eq}} + \rho_1$  then the Liouville eq. becomes for small  $\lambda$

$$\partial_t \rho_1 = -\mathcal{L}_0 \rho_1 - \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_{\text{eq}} + O(\lambda^2)$$

The solution with initial condition  $\rho_1(\mathbf{x}, -\infty) = 0$ ,  $\rho(\mathbf{x}, -\infty) = \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x})$  is

$$\rho_1(\mathbf{x}, t) = - \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e^{-\mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} \lambda(t') \mathcal{L}_1(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x})$$

The average of an observable  $A(\mathbf{x})$  is given by

$$\langle A \rangle_t \equiv \int d\mathbf{x} \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) A(\mathbf{x}).$$

The response to the perturbation is studied using the **response function**

$$R_A(t, t') \equiv \left. \frac{\delta \langle A \rangle_t}{\delta \lambda(t')} \right|_{\lambda=0} = - \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-\mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} \mathcal{L}_1(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad t > t'$$

Now

$$\mathcal{L}_1(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}) = \{M, \rho_{\text{eq}}\}_{\text{PB}} = -\beta \rho_{\text{eq}} \{M, H\}_{\text{PB}}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{M}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{p}} - \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \\ &= - \{H, M\}_{\text{PB}} = \mathcal{L}_0 M(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

The formal solution to this is  $M(t) = \exp[\mathcal{L}_0 t] M(0)$  (“Heisenberg” picture).

Therefore

$$R_A(t, t') = \beta \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-\mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{x})(t-t')} \dot{M}(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad t > t'$$

In general, define (equilibrium) time-correlation function of two observables  $A$  and  $B$  as

$$\begin{aligned}\langle A(t)B(t') \rangle &= \int d\mathbf{x} \left( e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t} A(\mathbf{x}) \right) \left( e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t'} B(\mathbf{x}) \right) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \int d\mathbf{x} \left( e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t} A(\mathbf{x}) \right) e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t'} B(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) e^{-\mathcal{L}_0(t-t')} B(\mathbf{x}) \rho_{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{x}),\end{aligned}$$

where we have used two properties of  $\mathcal{L}_0$  (Show these!)

$$\begin{aligned}\int d\mathbf{x} A(\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{L}_0 B(\mathbf{x}) &= - \int d\mathbf{x} (\mathcal{L}_0 A(\mathbf{x})) B(\mathbf{x}), \\ e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t} A(\mathbf{x}) B(\mathbf{x}) &= \left( e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t} A(\mathbf{x}) \right) \left( e^{\mathcal{L}_0 t} B(\mathbf{x}) \right)\end{aligned}$$

We therefore have

$$\boxed{R_A(t, t') = \beta \langle A(t) \dot{M}(t') \rangle}, \quad t > t'$$

- Example: Electrical Conductivity (Very Rough; Classical)
  - Consider a set of  $N$  particles of charge  $q_i$  located at  $\mathbf{x}_i$ .
  - Apply a uniform time-varying electric field  $\mathbf{E}(t)$ .
  - Interaction Hamiltonian is

$$H_I = \sum_i q_i \Phi(\mathbf{x}_i),$$

where  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  is the electrostatic potential for  $\mathbf{E}(t) = -\nabla\Phi(\mathbf{x})$ . We can easily see that  $\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = -\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{E}(t)$ . We have

$$H_I = - \sum_i q_i \mathbf{x}_i \cdot \mathbf{E}(t) = -\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{E}(t),$$

- where  $\mathbf{P} \equiv \sum_i q_i \mathbf{x}_i$  is the total dipole moment.
- For the conductivity we have correspondences:

$$A \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{J}, \quad \lambda(t) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{E}(t), \quad M \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{P}$$

Without perturbing  $\mathbf{E}$ , we expect  $\langle J_\alpha \rangle = 0$ . In the presence of  $\mathbf{E}$ , we expect

$$\langle J_\alpha(t) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' R_{\alpha\beta}(t-t') E_\beta(t').$$

We can identify that the response function is the conductivity

$$R_{\alpha\beta}(t-t') = \sigma_{\alpha\beta}(t-t')$$

Using the fact that  $\dot{\mathbf{P}} = \sum_i q_i \dot{\mathbf{x}}_i = V\mathbf{J}$  in the FDR, we have

$$\sigma_{\alpha\beta}(t) = \theta(t) \beta \langle J_\alpha(t) \dot{P}_\beta(0) \rangle = \theta(t) \beta V \langle J_\alpha(t) J_\beta(0) \rangle \equiv \theta(t) \beta V C_{\alpha\beta}(t)$$

The Fourier-Laplace transform

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \sigma_{\alpha\beta}(t) = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \sigma_{\alpha\beta}(t)$$

Using the integral representation of the theta function,

$$\theta(t) = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-i\omega't}}{\omega' + i\epsilon}, \quad \epsilon = 0^+$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) &= i\beta V \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-i\omega't}}{\omega' + i\epsilon} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{2\pi} e^{-i\bar{\omega}t} \tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\omega}) \\ &= i\beta V \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{2\pi} \frac{\tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\omega})}{\omega' + i\epsilon} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - \omega' - \bar{\omega}) \\ &= -i\beta V \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{2\pi} \frac{\tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\omega})}{\bar{\omega} - \omega - i\epsilon} \\ &= -i\beta V \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{2\pi} \frac{\tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\omega})}{\bar{\omega} - \omega} + \frac{1}{2} \beta V \tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(\omega)\end{aligned}$$

## Longitudinal DC conductivity

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_L &\equiv \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\alpha} \tilde{\sigma}_{\alpha\alpha}(0) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\alpha} \left[ -i\beta V \mathcal{P} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\bar{\omega}}{2\pi} \frac{\tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(\bar{\omega})}{\bar{\omega}} + \frac{1}{2} \beta V \tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(0) \right] \\ &= \frac{\beta V}{6} \sum_{\alpha} \tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(0),\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that  $C_{\alpha\alpha}(t) = C_{\alpha\alpha}(-t)$ , and  $\tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega) = \tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(-\omega)$ . We finally obtain the Green-Kubo formula as

$$\sigma_L = \frac{\beta V}{3} \sum_{\alpha} \int_0^{\infty} dt \langle J_{\alpha}(t) J_{\alpha}(0) \rangle$$

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# FDR and Time-Reversal Symmetry

Martin-Siggia-Rose-Janssen-De Dominicis Functional-Integral Formalism

Consider again

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = f_i(x(t)) + \xi_i(t), \quad (*)$$

where  $\langle \xi_i(t) \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle \xi_i(t) \xi_j(t') \rangle = 2D_{ij} \delta(t - t')$ .

Let us use the distribution function  $P_\xi[\xi]$  for the Gaussian white noise, which satisfies

$$\int \mathcal{D}\xi P_\xi[\xi] \xi_i(t) = 0, \quad \int \mathcal{D}\xi P_\xi[\xi] \xi_i(t) \xi_j(t') = 2D_{ij} \delta(t - t')$$

It is given by (summation convention)

$$\begin{aligned} P_\xi[\xi] &= \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \int dt \xi_i(t) D_{ij}^{-1} \xi_j(t)\right) \\ &= \mathcal{Z}^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \int dt \int dt' \xi_i(t) D_{ij}^{-1} \delta(t - t') \xi_j(t')\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}\xi \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4} \int dt \xi_i(t) D_{ij}^{-1} \xi_j(t)\right).$$

## Gaussian Integrals

Consider (summation convention)

$$P_0(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z_0} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} x_i A_{ij} x_j\right),$$

where

$$Z_0 = \int \prod_i dx_i \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} x_i A_{ij} x_j\right] = (2\pi)^{n/2} (\det \mathbf{A})^{-1/2}.$$

From

$$Z_0(b) = \int \prod_i dx_i \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} x_i A_{ij} x_j + b_i x_i\right] = Z_0 \exp[b_i A_{ij}^{-1} b_j]$$

we have

$$\langle x_i x_j \rangle_0 = \int \prod_i dx_i x_i x_j P_0(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z_0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_i \partial b_j} Z_0(b) \Big|_{\mathbf{b}=0} = A_{ij}^{-1}$$

$\langle x_i x_j \cdots x_n \rangle_0$  can be expressed in terms of  $\langle x_i x_j \rangle_0$ .

## Perturbation Expansion (0-dim. field theory)

Consider for example

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} x_i A_{ij} x_j + \lambda \sum_i x_i^4\right),$$

where

$$Z = \int \prod_i dx_i \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} x_i A_{ij} x_j + \lambda \sum_i x_i^4\right].$$

Expand

$$\exp\left[\lambda \sum_i x_i^4\right] = 1 + \lambda \sum_i x_i^4 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda^2 \sum_i x_i^4 \sum_j x_j^4 + O(\lambda^3)$$

Express

$$\langle x_i x_j \rangle = \int \prod_i dx_i x_i x_j P(\mathbf{x})$$

in terms of  $\langle x_i x_j \rangle_0$ .

The transition probability is

$$P(\mathbf{x}_\tau, \tau | \mathbf{x}_0, 0) = \int \mathcal{D}\xi P_\xi[\xi] \delta(\mathbf{x}(\tau) - \mathbf{x}_\tau), \quad (*)$$

where  $\mathbf{x}(t)$  is the solution to (\*) with the initial condition  $\mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$ .

Now we use the identity

$$1 = \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \delta(\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - f(\mathbf{x}(t)) - \xi(t)) J[\mathbf{x}],$$

where

$$J[\mathbf{x}] = \det \left[ \frac{\delta \xi_j(t)}{\delta x_j(t')} \right]$$

is the Jacobian. Using the integral representation of the delta-function,

$$1 = \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} J[\mathbf{x}] \exp \left[ -i \sum_j \int_0^\tau dt \hat{x}_j(t) \{ \dot{x}_j(t) - f_j(\mathbf{x}(t)) - \xi_j(t) \} \right]$$

Inserting this into (\*),

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\mathbf{x}_\tau, \tau | \mathbf{x}_0, 0) &= \int \mathcal{D}\xi P_\xi[\xi] \int_{\mathbf{x}(0)=\mathbf{x}_0}^{\mathbf{x}(\tau)=\mathbf{x}_\tau} \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} J[\mathbf{x}] e^{-i \sum_i \int_0^\tau dt \hat{x}_i(t) \{ \dot{x}_i(t) - f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) - \xi_i(t) \}} \\
 &= \int_{\mathbf{x}(0)=\mathbf{x}_0}^{\mathbf{x}(\tau)=\mathbf{x}_\tau} \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} J[\mathbf{x}] \\
 &\quad \times \exp \left[ - \int_0^\tau dt \left\{ \sum_{i,j} \hat{x}_i(t) D_{ij} \hat{x}_j(t) + i \sum_i \hat{x}_i(t) \{ \dot{x}_i(t) - f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) \} \right\} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] \equiv \int_0^\tau dt \left\{ \sum_{i,j} \hat{x}_i(t) D_{ij} \hat{x}_j(t) + i \sum_i \hat{x}_i(t) \{ \dot{x}_i(t) - f_i(\mathbf{x}(t)) \} \right\}$$

The average of an observable  $A[\mathbf{x}(t)]$  which depends on the  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq \tau$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A[\mathbf{x}(t)] \rangle &= \int d\mathbf{x}_\tau \int d\mathbf{x}_0 P_i(\mathbf{x}_0) \int_{\mathbf{x}(0)=\mathbf{x}_0}^{\mathbf{x}(\tau)=\mathbf{x}_\tau} \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} J[\mathbf{x}] A[\mathbf{x}(t)] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}]} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} J[\mathbf{x}] A[\mathbf{x}(t)] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}_0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_i(\mathbf{x}_0)$  is the initial distribution.

This can be understood from

$$P(\mathbf{x}_k, t_k) = \int d\mathbf{x}_{k-1} P(\mathbf{x}_k, t_k | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, t_{k-1}) P(\mathbf{x}_{k-1}, t_{k-1})$$

For a finite time interval  $[0, \tau]$ , we divide it into  $M$  infinitesimal intervals such that  $t_0 = 0$  and  $t_M = \tau$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_M = \mathbf{x}_\tau$  and  $dt = \tau/M$ .

$$P(\mathbf{x}_\tau, \tau | \mathbf{x}_0, 0) = \int d\mathbf{x}_1 \cdots d\mathbf{x}_{M-1} \prod_{k=1}^M P(\mathbf{x}_k, t_k | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, t_{k-1})$$

## Onsager-Machlup

Integrating away  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ , we have

$$\langle A[\mathbf{x}] \rangle \sim \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} J[\mathbf{x}] A[\mathbf{x}] \exp[-S_{\text{OM}}[\mathbf{x}]] P_i(\mathbf{x}_0),$$

where

$$S_{\text{OM}}[\mathbf{x}] = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\tau dt \sum_{i,j} \{\dot{x}_i(t) - f_i(\mathbf{x}(t))\} D_{ij}^{-1} \{\dot{x}_j(t) - f_j(\mathbf{x}(t))\}$$

## □ Evaluation of Jacobian

$$J[\mathbf{x}] = \det \left[ \frac{\delta \xi_i(t)}{\delta x_j(t')} \right] \equiv \det \mathbb{M}_{ij}(t, t') = \det \left[ \delta_{ij} \frac{d}{dt} \delta(t - t') - \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \delta(t - t') \right]$$

We can write

$$\mathbb{M}_{ij}(t, t') = \sum_k \int dt'' \mathbb{M}_{ik}^{(0)}(t, t'') \mathbb{M}_{kj}^{(1)}(t'', t'),$$

where

$$\mathbb{M}_{ik}^{(0)}(t, t'') = \delta_{ik} \frac{d}{dt} \delta(t - t'')$$

and

$$\mathbb{M}_{kj}^{(1)}(t'', t') = \delta_{kj} \delta(t'' - t') - \theta(t'' - t') \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial x_j}$$

Note that  $\det \mathbb{M} = \det \mathbb{M}^{(0)} \det \mathbb{M}^{(1)}$  and that  $\det \mathbb{M}^{(0)}$  is a constant which can be absorbed into the functional integral measure.

We therefore have

$$\begin{aligned}
 J[\mathbf{x}] &= \mathcal{N} \det \mathbb{M}^{(1)} = \mathcal{N} \exp[\text{tr} \ln \mathbb{M}^{(1)}] \\
 &= \mathcal{N} \exp \left[ -\theta(0) \int dt \sum_i \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial x_i} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \int dt_1 \int dt_2 \theta(t_1 - t_2) \theta(t_2 - t_1) \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x}(t_1))}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial f_j(\mathbf{x}(t_2))}{\partial x_i} - \dots \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

All but the first term vanish due to the properties of the theta function.

We have

$$J[\mathbf{x}] = \mathcal{N} \exp \left[ -\theta(0) \int dt \sum_i \frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x}(t))}{\partial x_i} \right] \equiv \mathcal{N} \exp[-S_J[\mathbf{x}]]$$

The appearance of  $\theta(0)$  is intimately related to the discretization scheme for the stochastic differential equation. (e.g.  $\theta(0) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{It}\hat{o}$ ,  $\theta(0) = 1/2 \Leftrightarrow \text{Stratonovich}$ )

□ More general average

$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}(0))$$

## Alternative Derivation

Recall that

$$P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt) = \int d\mathbf{x} P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt | \mathbf{x}, t) P(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

From the Fokker-Planck equation,  $\partial_t P = -\mathcal{L}P$ , we have

$$P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt) = e^{-(dt)\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}')} P(\mathbf{x}', t),$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f_i(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} D_{ij}$$

We can therefore write the short-time transition probability as (summation convention)

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt | \mathbf{x}, t) &= e^{-(dt)\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}')} \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) = (1 - (dt)\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}')) \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \\ &= \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) - (dt) \partial'_i [f_i(\mathbf{x}') \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})] + (dt) D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \\ &= \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) - (dt) f_i(\mathbf{x}) \partial'_i \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) + (dt) D_{ij} \partial'_i \partial'_j \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Introduce new variables for some constant  $a$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}) \equiv a\mathbf{x}' + (1 - a)\mathbf{x}$$

Inverse:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}'(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \equiv (1 - a)\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \equiv -a\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$$

Now note that

$$\begin{aligned} -f_i(\mathbf{x})\partial'_i\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) &= -f_i(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}))\frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}\delta(\mathbf{u}) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}(f_i(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}))\delta(\mathbf{u})) + \left.\frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}))}{\partial u_i}\right|_{\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{0}}\delta(\mathbf{u}) \\ &= -f_i(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}))\frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}\delta(\mathbf{u}) + \left.\frac{\partial f_i(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}))}{\partial x_i}\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial u_i}\right|_{\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{0}}\delta(\mathbf{u}) \end{aligned}$$

Let us call

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} \equiv \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v}) = a\mathbf{x}' + (1 - a)\mathbf{x}$$

We therefore have

$$\boxed{-f_i(\mathbf{x})\partial'_i\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) = -f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\partial'_i\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) - a\frac{\partial f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i}\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}$$

We have an intrinsic ambiguity in this kind of expression.

This looks weird!

But in QM, we have  $\hat{p} \Leftrightarrow -i(\partial/\partial x)$  and

$$\langle x' | \hat{p} | x \rangle = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \delta(x' - x), \quad \langle x' | \hat{p} f(\hat{x}) | x \rangle = -if(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \delta(x' - x).$$

We know that

$$[\hat{p}, f(\hat{x})] = -if'(x),$$

or

$$\hat{p}f(\hat{x}) = (1 - a)\hat{p}f(\hat{x}) + a(f(\hat{x})\hat{p} - if'(x))$$

Using

$$\langle x' | f(\hat{x})\hat{p} | x \rangle = -if(x') \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \delta(x' - x),$$

we have

$$-if(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \delta(x' - x) = -i \{ (1 - a)f(x) + af(x') \} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'} \delta(x' - x) - if'(x) \delta(x' - x),$$

This is exactly the same as above if we identify

$$(1 - a)f(x) + af(x') \simeq f(\bar{x})$$

for the two points  $x$  and  $x'$  separated by  $dt$ .

Using the integral representation of the delta function

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} \exp[-i\mathbf{y} \cdot (\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})],$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt | \mathbf{x}, t) &= \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} e^{-i\mathbf{y} \cdot (\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})} \left[ 1 + (dt) i y_i f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - (dt) a \frac{\partial f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i} - (dt) D_{ij} y_i y_j \right] \\ &= \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} \exp \left[ -i\mathbf{y} \cdot (\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) + (dt) i y_i f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - (dt) a \frac{\partial f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i} - (dt) D_{ij} y_i y_j \right] \\ &= \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} \exp \left\{ -(dt) \left[ y_i D_{ij} y_j + i y_i \left( \frac{x'_i - x_i}{dt} - f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right) + a \frac{\partial f_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

For a finite time interval  $[0, \tau]$ , we divide it into  $M$  infinitesimal intervals such that  $t_0 = 0$  and  $t_M = \tau$  and  $dt = \tau/M$ . Then we can easily see that

$$P(\mathbf{x}, \tau) = \int d\mathbf{x}_0 \cdots d\mathbf{x}_{M-1} \prod_{k=1}^M P(\mathbf{x}_k, t_k | \mathbf{x}_{k-1}, t_{k-1}) P(\mathbf{x}_0, 0)$$

We need integration variables  $\mathbf{y}_0, \cdots, \mathbf{y}_{M-1}$  to express the conditional probabilities.

In the limit  $dt \rightarrow 0$ , this gives exactly the same path-integral representation as before if we identify  $\mathbf{y} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ .

We identify  $\theta(0)$  obtained earlier can be identified with the discretization scheme parameter  $a$ .

## Detour: Fokker-Planck equation for multiplicative noises

The most general form for the Fokker-Planck operator (including the possibility of multiplicative noise) is

$$L(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} A_i(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} D_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$$

We have to evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \partial'_i \partial'_j \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) &= D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i \partial u_j} \delta(\mathbf{u}) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \left( D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \delta(\mathbf{u}) \right) - \frac{\partial D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}))}{\partial u_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \delta(\mathbf{u}) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i \partial u_j} (D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v})) \delta(\mathbf{u})) - \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v})) \right) \delta(\mathbf{u}) \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{\partial}{\partial u_j} \left( \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v})) \right) \delta(\mathbf{u}) \right) + \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i \partial u_j} D_{ij}(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v})) \right) \delta(\mathbf{u}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{ij}(\mathbf{x})\partial'_i\partial'_j\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) &= D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_i\partial u_j}\delta(\mathbf{u}) + 2a\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}_j}D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial u_i}\delta(\mathbf{u}) \\
&\quad + a^2\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{x}_i\partial \bar{x}_j}D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\right)\delta(\mathbf{u}) \\
&= D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\partial'_i\partial'_j\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) + 2a\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}_j}D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\right)\partial'_i\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}) \\
&\quad + a^2\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{x}_i\partial \bar{x}_j}D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})\right)\delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})
\end{aligned}$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\mathbf{x}', t + dt | \mathbf{x}, t) &= \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} e^{-i\mathbf{y}\cdot(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})} \left[ 1 + (dt)y_i A_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - (dt)a\frac{\partial A_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - (dt)D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})y_i y_j - 2a(dt)y_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}_j} D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + a^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{x}_i \partial \bar{x}_j} D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right] \\
&= \int \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{(2\pi)^N} \exp \left\{ - (dt) \left[ y_i D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) y_j + i y_i \left( \frac{x'_i - x_i}{dt} - A_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{x}_j} D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + a \frac{\partial A_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \bar{x}_i} - a^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{x}_i \partial \bar{x}_j} D_{ij}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

# Response Functions

Consider again for some  $i$

$$\dot{x}_i = f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{\lambda_i(t)}_{\text{perturbation}} + \xi_i(t)$$

- Response of an average of a local observable  $\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \rangle$  at  $t$  due to a perturbation  $\lambda_i(t')$  at  $t'$ .
- Linear response

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') = \left. \frac{\delta \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \rangle}{\delta \lambda_i(t')} \right|_{\lambda=0}$$

- Nonlinear responses

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t; t', t'') = \left. \frac{\delta^2 \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \rangle}{\delta \lambda_i(t') \delta \lambda_i(t'')} \right|_{\lambda=0}, \quad \text{etc.}$$

- Causality:  $R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') = 0$  if  $t < t'$ .  $R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t; t', t'') = 0$  if  $t < t'$  or  $t < t''$ .

$$\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \rangle = \int dt' R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') \lambda_i(t') + \frac{1}{2} \int dt' \int dt'' R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t; t', t'') \lambda_i(t') \lambda_i(t'') + \dots$$

# Response Field Formalism

- In the action  $S_0$ , we have an additional term  $-i \int dt \hat{x}_i(t) \lambda_i(t)$ .
- Taking a derivative w.r.t.  $\lambda_i(t')$  brings down a factor of  $i \hat{x}_i(t')$  in front of the exponential.
- $\hat{x}(t)$ : Response Field
- No need to introduce  $\lambda$ ; All averages are w.r.t. the **unperturbed** action.

## Response Field Formalism

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') = \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] i \hat{x}_i(t') \rangle.$$

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t; t', t'') = \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] i \hat{x}_i(t') i \hat{x}_i(t'') \rangle, \quad \text{etc.}$$

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## $\mathcal{R}$ -transformation

$$\mathcal{T} : \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) & \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}(t) \equiv \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) & \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}(t) \equiv \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \end{cases}$$

- Integration measure:

$$\mathcal{D}\mathbf{x}\mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}\mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}$$

- Jacobian

$$\begin{aligned} S_J[\mathbf{x}] \rightarrow S_J[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}] &= \theta(0) \int_0^\tau dt \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^{\text{R}}} f_i(\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}) \\ &= \theta(0) \int_0^\tau dt \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i(\tau - t)} f(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)) \\ &= S_J[\mathbf{x}] \end{aligned}$$

after changing the integration variable from  $t \rightarrow t' = \tau - t$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0[\mathbf{x}^R, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^R] &= \int_0^\tau dt \left[ \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \} \cdot D \right. \\
&\quad \left. \cdot \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + i \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \} \cdot \left\{ \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)) \right\} \right] \\
&= \int_0^\tau dt \left[ \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) \} \cdot D \cdot \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) \} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + i \{ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) \} \cdot \left\{ -\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \right\} \right] \\
&= S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] + \underbrace{\int_0^\tau dt \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) \cdot D^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))}_{\equiv \Delta S[\mathbf{x}]}
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose that  $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}^{\text{ir}}$  and that the DB condition holds

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = -\mathbf{D} \cdot \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad P^{\text{s}}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-\phi(\mathbf{x})}$$

Then

$$\Delta S[\mathbf{x}] = - \int_0^\tau dt \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) \cdot \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) = - \int_0^\tau dt \frac{d}{dt} \phi(\mathbf{x}(t)) = -[\phi(\mathbf{x}(\tau)) - \phi(\mathbf{x}(0))].$$

Now suppose that  $P_i(\mathbf{x}(0)) = \exp(-\phi(\mathbf{x}(0)))$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] \rangle &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}(0)) \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}(0)) \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - \Delta S[\mathbf{x}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}(\tau)) \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}] + \{\phi(\mathbf{x}(\tau)) - \phi(\mathbf{x}(0))\}} P_i(\mathbf{x}(\tau)) \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x} \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}(0)) \\ &= \langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{R}}] \rangle \end{aligned}$$

In particular

$$\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \hat{x}_i(t') \rangle = \left\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)] \left\{ \hat{x}_i(\tau - t') - i \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \frac{d}{dt'} x_j(\tau - t') \right\} \right\rangle$$

or

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') = R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\tau - t, \tau - t') + \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \frac{d}{dt'} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)] x_j(\tau - t') \rangle$$

By changing  $\tau - t \rightarrow t$  and  $\tau - t' \rightarrow t'$ ,

## FDR 1 (DB)

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') - R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\tau - t, \tau - t') = \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \dot{x}_j(t') \rangle$$

## $\mathcal{U}$ -transformation

$$\mathcal{U} : \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) & \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^{\text{U}}(t) \equiv \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) & \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{U}}(t) \equiv -\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)) \end{cases}$$

- One can show again with the same  $\Delta S$  that (see next page)

$$S_0[\mathbf{x}^{\text{U}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{U}}] = S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] + \Delta S[\mathbf{x}]$$

- The Jacobians and the measure are invariant as well.
- If the DB holds and the initial state is given by the stationary state, then

$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^{\text{U}}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^{\text{U}}] \rangle$$

$$\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \hat{x}_i(t') \rangle = \left\langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)] \left\{ -\hat{x}_i(\tau - t') + i \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} f_j(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t')) \right\} \right\rangle$$

## FDR 2 (DB)

$$R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(t, t') + R_{\mathcal{A}}^i(\tau - t, \tau - t') = - \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] f_j(\mathbf{x}(t')) \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0[\mathbf{x}^U, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^U] &= \int_0^\tau dt \left[ \{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t))\} \cdot D \right. \\
&\quad \left. \cdot \{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t))\} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + i\{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(\tau - t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t))\} \cdot \left\{ \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(\tau - t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(\tau - t)) \right\} \right] \\
&= \int_0^\tau dt \left[ \{\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))\} \cdot D \cdot \{\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))\} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + i\{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) + iD^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))\} \cdot \left\{ -\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \right\} \right] \\
&= S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] + \underbrace{\int_0^\tau dt \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) \cdot D^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))}_{\equiv \Delta S[\mathbf{x}]}
\end{aligned}$$

## $\mathcal{E}$ -transformation

$$\mathcal{E} : \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}(t) & \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^E(t) \equiv \mathbf{x}(t) \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) & \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}^E(t) \equiv -\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t))) \end{cases}$$

- Unlike  $\mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{U}$ , they don't involve **time reversal**.
- One can show that it is an exact symmetry: (see next page)

$$S_0[\mathbf{x}^E, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^E] = S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}]$$

Without assuming **DB or stationary initial distribution**, we have

$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}[\mathbf{x}^E, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^E] \rangle$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \hat{x}_i(t') \rangle &= - \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \hat{x}_i(t') \rangle \\ &\quad - i \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \dot{x}_j(t') \rangle + i \sum_j [D^{-1}]_{ij} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] f_j(\mathbf{x}(t')) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_0[\mathbf{x}^E, \hat{\mathbf{x}}^E] &= \int_0^\tau dt \left[ \{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)))\} \cdot D \right. \\
&\quad \cdot \{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)))\} \\
&\quad \left. + i\{-\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) - iD^{-1} \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)))\} \cdot \left\{ \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(t)) \right\} \right] \\
&= S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}]
\end{aligned}$$

## Identity (DB or non-DB)

$$2 \sum_j D_{ij} R_{\mathcal{A}}^j(t, t') = \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \dot{x}_i(t') \rangle - \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] f_i(\mathbf{x}(t')) \rangle$$

- This nonperturbative relation can also be obtained from the identity

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int \mathcal{D}\mathbf{x}(t) \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \frac{\delta}{\delta \hat{x}_i(t')} \left[ \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}] e^{-S_0[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}] - S_J[\mathbf{x}]} P_i(\mathbf{x}(0)) \right] \\ &= -2 \sum_j D_{ij} \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \hat{x}_j(t') \rangle - i \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] \dot{x}_i(t') \rangle + i \langle \mathcal{A}[\mathbf{x}(t)] f_i(\mathbf{x}(t')) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- This relation can be used to study the violation of the FDR in nonequilibrium