Agenda: Kinetics and Transport in Multiparticle Systems

Dynamics of interacting multi-particle systems

- Interaction energies
 Dissipation & randomization via multiple scattering
- Probabilistic evolution
 Random walk and binomial distribution
 Diffusion/Fokker-Planck processes (Master Equation)
 Fluctuating (Langevin) dissipative forces
 Maxwell-Boltzmann equilibrium energy distributions
- Kinetics of dilute gases
 Fundamental "Ideal Gas" laws, Equation of state (EoS)
 Work and heat transfer
 Flow of heat and radiation
 Laws of thermodynamics, thermodynamic ensembles

Reading Assignments Weeks 3 &4 LN III.1-III.3:

Kondepudi Ch. 1,3,7 Additional Material

McQuarrie & Simon Ch. 3.1 -3.4

Math Chapter(s) MC E

Motivation: Practical Importance of Transport Phenomena

Dissipation (friction, viscosity) and Equilibrium Phenomena, understanding equilibrium=stationary states of matter. Analytical tool for basic physics & technology, e.g., material science.

- Brownian particle motion on surfaces & in space: gases, liquids, and solids, incl. organic materials Biology, Medicine, Semiconductor industry,
- Diffusion and mixing of gases in gases like air→ practical applications, smell, toxic gases, Climate CO₂ atmosphere, DAC CO₂, transport in gaseous plasmas
- Diffusion of gases in liquids (glasses, plastics) gas in liquids: acidification of ocean water, environment, climate DAC CO₂
- Diffusion & permeation of gases in solids: chemical industry, reactors Hydrogen economy, nuclear energy, fusion reactors, isotopic separation
- Diffusion of liquids in liquids Mixing industrial fluids, pollution of rivers, lakes, ground water
- Diffusion of liquids in solid matrices Chemical industry, contamination of toxic waste in soil, corrosion

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Atomic Potential Interacting Energies



Multi-Particle Systems : ≥6·*N* dof

Lennard-Jones potential: Attractive (< 0) at intermediate & large distances, repulsive (>>0) at small distances



Work = Kinetic Energy Gain/Loss = ΔV

$$\Delta K_{r_a \to r_b} = -\int_{r_a}^{r_b} \frac{dV}{dr} \cdot dr = V(r_a) - V(r_b)$$

Energy Transfer & Dissipation in Multiple Interactions



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Randomization via Multiple Interactions



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Binary Random Walk (RW)

Configuration (state) space of a system is approximated by a **1-dimensional** lattice of equal cells $\Delta x = \Delta m = \pm 1$. (Simple to extend to 3-D and n-D) Scenario: 2 discrete properties for discrete t-evolution (Yor N; L or R;) **3D Random Walk** Time $t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}$ transition rule: each cell $m \rightarrow m \pm 1$. Time evolution of CA modeled in discrete time steps \rightarrow generations. Evolution @ probabilistic rule: probabilities p_{1} and p_{1} with $p_{2}+p_{1}=1$ Initial cell @ $m(t_1) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Consider } RW$ "trajectory" $p_1 = p_1 = 1/2$; $N = total number of steps, with N_{+} to the right, N_{-} steps to the left.$ 1D Random Walk Automaton Time t m = -1m=0m = +1 $\boldsymbol{\rho}_{\scriptscriptstyle -} = (\boldsymbol{1} - \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\scriptscriptstyle +})$ **p**₊ t_{i+1} m = -1m=0m = +1

Question: How to change procedure to admit $m=0 \rightarrow m=0$?

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Deterministic vs. Probabilistic Propagation Protocols



Binary Random Walk (Unbiased)



Equal probabilities per step $p_{-}=p_{+}=1/2$ Let RW evolve over some time = total number of steps = $N \gg 1$.

Equal probabilities \rightarrow Averaged over entire history = trajectory:

$$\langle N_{-} \rangle_{N} = \langle N_{+} \rangle_{N} \rightarrow \langle m \rangle_{N} = 0$$

For a given trajectory, what is actual final position $m=m(t_N)$ after N steps ?

Cannot be answered precisely, since this is not a deterministic process, but ...

For a given
$$m = m(t_N) \rightarrow N_- = \frac{1}{2}(N - m)$$
 and $N_+ = \frac{1}{2}(N + m)$
 $\rightarrow m = N_+ - N_-$ (can be reached by different trajectories)

Final position **m** (after **N** steps) of trajectory is determined by the simple difference in # of left vs. right steps, since $p_{-}=p_{+}=1/2$. For $p_{-}\neq p_{+}$, left and right step numbers must be weighted by corresponding probabilities.

Binary Random Walk (on a Lattice)

Equal probabilities per step $p_{-}=p_{+}=1/2$ Let RW evolve over some time = total number of steps = $N \gg 1$.

How to calculate probability that a random trajectory stating at m=0 @ t_0 will end up populating $m(t_N)$? \rightarrow Count # of all trajectories with N steps that lead from $m(t_0)=0 \rightarrow m(t_N)$.

Known is (for example) $m = m(t_N) > 0 \rightarrow m = N_+ - N_-$



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Binomial Probability Distribution

Arbitrary *Lvs.R* (binomial) probabilities $p_++p_+=1$. RW evolves for $N \gg 1$ steps.

The **probability** for a random trajectory to land at position $m = N_+-N_-$ after N steps in directions with associated individual probabilities $p_++p_+=1$ is given by the <u>binomial distribution</u> in N_+ (or N_-)

$$P(N, N_{+}) = \frac{N!}{(N_{+})! (N - N_{+})!} \cdot p_{+}^{N_{+}} \cdot p_{-}^{N - N_{+}} \rightarrow$$
Start Position **m=0**

$$I_{+} = I_{+} = I_{+$$

$$P(N, N_{+}) = {\binom{N}{N_{+}}} \cdot p_{+}^{N_{+}} \cdot (1 - p_{+})^{N-N_{+}}$$
$$P(N, N_{-}) = {\binom{N}{N_{-}}} \cdot p_{-}^{N_{-}} \cdot (1 - p_{-})^{N-N_{-}}$$

Proper normalization of probability \rightarrow Binomial Theorem

$$\sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} P(N, N_{+}) = \sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} \binom{N}{N_{+}} \cdot p_{+}^{N_{+}} \cdot p_{-}^{N_{-}N_{+}}$$
$$= \left(p_{+} + p_{-}\right)^{N} = 1$$

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Expectation Values (& Probability Moments)

Expectation values of m^k , examples k = 1(average) k = 2(variance)

$$\left\langle \boldsymbol{m}^{k}\right\rangle = \sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} \boldsymbol{m}^{k}\left(\boldsymbol{N}_{+}\right) \cdot \boldsymbol{P}(\boldsymbol{N},\boldsymbol{N}_{+}) = \sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} \binom{N}{N_{+}} \cdot \boldsymbol{m}^{k}\left(\boldsymbol{N}_{+}\right) \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{+}^{N_{+}} \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_{-}^{N-N_{+}}$$

Express m^k as a function of N and N_+ , example for $p_+ = p_= = 1/2$

$$m \rangle = \sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} \left(2N_{+} - N \right) \cdot P(N, N_{+}) = -N + 2 \cdot \sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} N_{+} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} N \\ N_{+} \end{pmatrix} \cdot p_{+}^{N} = 0$$

$$\sqrt{m} \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
Proof: \\
\sum_{N_{+}=0}^{N} \frac{N_{+} \cdot N!}{(N_{+})! (N - N_{+})!} p_{+}^{N} = p_{+} \cdot N \cdot \sum_{N_{+}=1}^{N} \frac{(N - 1)!}{(N_{+} - 1)! ((N - 1) - (N_{+} - 1))!} \cdot p_{+}^{N-1} = \frac{N}{2} \\
\end{array}$$
First term=0
$$\begin{array}{l}
Valid because \sum_{\overline{N_{+}=0}}^{\overline{N}} \frac{\overline{N}!}{(\overline{N_{+}})! (\overline{N} - \overline{N_{+}})!} \cdot p_{+}^{\overline{N}} = 1
\end{array}$$

Use this method to calculate higher orders, e.g. $\langle N_{+}^{2} \rangle$ etc.

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Similar for variance in $m(= range of final m(t_N) values)$ Use $m \leftrightarrow N_+$

$$\sigma_m^2 = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle^2 = \langle (2N_+ - N)^2 \rangle - 0 = \langle 4N_+^2 - 4N_+N + N^2 \rangle = ??$$

Since
$$p_{+} = p_{-} = 1/2 \rightarrow \langle N_{+} \rangle = N/2$$
 and $\sigma_{N_{+}}^{2} = Np_{+}p_{-} = N/4$
 $\Rightarrow \sigma_{m}^{2} = 4 \langle N_{+}^{2} \rangle - 4N \langle N_{+} \rangle + N^{2} = 4 \langle N_{+}^{2} \rangle - 8 \langle N_{+} \rangle \langle N_{+} \rangle + 4 \langle N_{+} \rangle^{2} = 4 (\langle N_{+}^{2} \rangle - \langle N_{+} \rangle^{2}) = 4 \sigma_{N_{+}}^{2}$

Variance $\sigma_m^2 = N$ Standard Deviation $\sigma_m = \sqrt{N}$

Relative spread in asymptotic m values decreases with N:

$$\frac{\sigma_m}{N} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

Determined 2 moments (mean & var.) of the probability distribution → What is its shape, e.g., "normal"? How frequent are rare events?

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Limit: Poisson Probability Distribution

 $P_{binomial}(N,m;p) = {\binom{N}{m}} p^m (1-p)^{N-m} \bigtriangleup Lim_{p\to 0,N\to\infty} P_{binomial}(N,m) = P_{Poisson}(\mu,m)$ Probability for observing a number *m* of rare events of interest in period Δt , when the average #events per period Δt is known: $\mu = \langle m \rangle = N \cdot p$ Individual $p \ll 1$ but $N \gg 1$ trials (attempts) $\rightarrow N \cdot p > 0 \leftarrow$ determines distribution



$$P_{Poisson}(\mu,m) = \frac{\mu^m \cdot e^{-\mu}}{m!} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_m^2 = N \cdot p \cdot (1-p) \\ \sigma_m^2 \approx \mu \end{bmatrix}$$

Example : rare # statistical decays $[\Delta t^{-1}]$ $p = \frac{\dot{N}}{N} \ll (1/\Delta t) \rightarrow \sigma_m^2 \approx \langle m \rangle \# counts$

Observe transition Poisson \rightarrow Gaussian "Normal" Can prove rigorously

$$\lim_{\substack{p \to 1 \\ N \gg 1}} P_{bin}(N,m,p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_m^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{\left(x - \langle m \rangle\right)^2}{2\sigma_m^2}\right\}$$

Extensions & Generalizations of RW Model

Associate an actual spatial degree of freedom (x) with the 1D string of cells **m**: Step size $\Delta x \sim \Delta m \rightarrow x = m \cdot x$. Results of 1D random Walk back and forth on x, starting from $x_0 \triangleq m_0$, is a distribution of positions x along the trajectory:

Mean position
$$\langle x \rangle = x_0 + \langle m \cdot \Delta x \rangle$$
 and Variance $\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_m^2 \cdot (\Delta x)^2 = N \cdot (\Delta x)^2$

The trajectory covers a region from x_0 to x_0+x_{rms} characteristic root-mean-square x_{rms}

$$X_{rms} = \sqrt{\langle X^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{N} \cdot \Delta X$$

Large numbers $N \gg 1$ of RW steps @ finite probability p , <u>binomial \rightarrow Gaussian</u>:

$$P_{N}(m) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi N}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{\left(m - m_{0}\right)^{2}}{2N}\right\} \bigoplus P_{N}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi N} \cdot \left(\Delta x\right)^{2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{\left(x - x_{0}\right)^{2}}{2N \cdot \left(\Delta x\right)^{2}}\right\}$$

1D formalism \rightarrow 3 or more independent degrees of freedom, e.g., $x \rightarrow \{x, y, z\}$ \rightarrow simultaneous probability = product of independent probabilities:

$$P(x,y,z) = P(x) \cdot P(y) \cdot P(z)$$

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