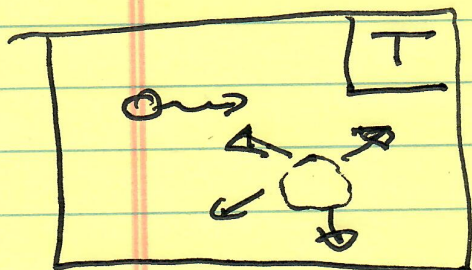


Physics 240 B

II-2-a $\rightarrow$ Fokker-Planck I

- Back to R.M.;

Statistical
Dynamics
Problem



(i) how does Pdf
- Probability Distribution
Function - evolve for
Brownian Particle

i.e. $P(\underline{v}, \underline{x}, t)$

$\rightarrow$ more interesting / useful than
 $\langle x^2 \rangle, \langle v^2 \rangle$ etc.

and

(ii) If initial cloud of particles, how
does it evolve in time.

i.e. $n(t=0) = n_0 \delta(\underline{r} - \underline{r}_0)$

$n(\underline{r}, t) ?$

- of course, will involve diffusion

$\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle = 2D_x t$

$\Rightarrow$ Fokker-Planck Equation

- calculate $F(x, y, t)$; $P(x, t)$, not moments $\langle x^n \rangle$
- applies to dynamics with @ no memory / short memory
- Evolution as result of sequential, uncorrelated small steps.

$\Rightarrow$ closely related to Central Limit Theorem - background

Aside

N.B.: Central Limit Theorem

- Consider a sum of n independent random variables $\Delta X_1, \Delta X_2, \dots, \Delta X_n$ ($n \gg 1$).
- $X_n = \Delta X_1 + \Delta X_2 + \dots + \Delta X_n$
[sum of independent increments]

- For ΔX_i $\langle \Delta X_i \rangle = 0$

$$\langle \Delta X_j^2 \rangle = \sigma_i^2$$

N.B.: $\Rightarrow$ Variance (only) - second moment - exists (i.e. finite)

$$\langle \Delta X_j^2 \rangle < \infty, \text{ all } j$$

~~no outliers~~ $\Rightarrow$ no outliers among $\langle \Delta X_j^2 \rangle$, all alike

Then
$$\sigma_n^2 = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_n^2$$

$$\approx n \sigma^2$$

and
$$\text{pdf}_{n \rightarrow \infty}(y) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{pdf}(x_n) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_n}} \exp\left[-x_n^2/2\sigma_n^2\right]$$

$[n \gg 1]$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi N \sigma^2}} \exp\left[-x_n^2/N \sigma^2\right]$$

c.e. Pdf of sum of squares is Gaussian, with variance NT^2

Key Points:

→ variance of step $\langle \Delta x_j^2 \rangle < \infty$. finite

→ convergence $\langle \Delta x_j^2 \rangle < \infty \nrightarrow$

say, $\langle \Delta x_j^4 \rangle < \infty \Rightarrow$ higher

moments can induce "heavy tails" on pdf.

Will discuss further.

→ Continuing with Fokker-Planck Theory

- consider a system with short/no memory

$\Rightarrow$ every step in $\mathcal{T}$ independent of prior history (Markov Process)

Now, re-write for small step Δx
 (how small is small?) in
 short/small time increment τ ;
 (how short ... ?)

Take: $P(x_2, t_2 | x_1, t_1) = T(x, \Delta x, \tau)$

$\downarrow$ Transition Probability
 $\downarrow$ at x $\downarrow$ step Δx $\downarrow$ in time

$$t_2 - t_1 \rightarrow \tau$$

$$x_2 - x_1 \rightarrow \Delta x$$

then

$$P(x, t + \tau) = \int d(\Delta x) P(x - \Delta x, t) T(x, \Delta x, \tau)$$

$\downarrow$
 1 step away, at t

Now expand $\rightarrow$ lowest odd, even:
 (Kramers - Moyal Expansion)

$\downarrow$
 truncation $\rightarrow$ C. L. T.

$$P(x, t) + \gamma \frac{\partial P(x, t)}{\partial t}$$

vector form

Order of
Derivatives
Matters!

$$= \int d(\Delta x) \left\{ \overset{\textcircled{1}}{P(x, t)} T(x, \Delta x, \tau) \right.$$

$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left(\overset{\textcircled{2}}{\Delta x} P(x, t) T(x, \Delta x, \tau) \right) \overset{\textcircled{3}}{+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\Delta x \Delta x) P(x, t) T(x, \Delta x, \tau)}}$$

+ h.o.

① Normalization:

$$\int d(\Delta x) T(x, \Delta x, \tau) = 1$$

τ must be
normalizable

$$\textcircled{2} - \int d(\Delta x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot (\Delta x P(x, t) T(x, \Delta x, \tau))$$

$$= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot (\langle \Delta x \rangle P(x, t))$$

$$\langle \underline{\Delta x} \rangle = \int d(\underline{\Delta x}) \underline{\Delta x} T(x, \underline{\Delta x}, t)$$

mean step $\rightarrow$ drift

$$\textcircled{3} \int d(\underline{\Delta x}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x}}{2} \right) P(\underline{x}, t) T(x, \underline{\Delta x}, t)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \left[\frac{\langle \underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x} \rangle}{2} P(\underline{x}, t) \right]$$

$$\langle \underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x} \rangle = \int d(\underline{\Delta x}) \underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x} T(x, \underline{\Delta x}, t)$$

$\leadsto$ mean square step

$\leadsto$ tensor $\rightarrow$ cross terms!

$\Rightarrow$ will become diffusing.

then; dividing thru by γ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P(\underline{x}, t)}{\partial t} &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{\langle \underline{\Delta x} \rangle}{\gamma} P(\underline{x}, t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \left(\frac{\langle \underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x} \rangle}{2\gamma} P(\underline{x}, t) \right) \right\} \\ &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \left\{ \underline{v} P(\underline{x}, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot (\underline{D} P(\underline{x}, t)) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{v} = \frac{\langle \underline{\Delta x} \rangle}{\gamma} \rightarrow \text{drift velocity}$$

$$\underline{D} = \frac{\langle \underline{\Delta x} \underline{\Delta x} \rangle}{2} \rightarrow \text{diffusion (tensor)}$$

Welcome to Fokker-Planck Equation!

(N.B.: Diffusion is special case).

Note: Observations

- F.-P. based on assumption of Markov Process
- coarse grains on scales $\sim \underline{\Delta x}$
(minimum resolvable)

$\tau \rightarrow \tau_{ac}$ is random process

$$\Delta x \sim \int dt \tilde{v}$$

$$\Delta x^2 \sim 2Dt$$

$$D = \int_0^\infty \langle \tilde{v}(t) \tilde{v}(t) \rangle \rightarrow |\tilde{v}|^2 \tau_{ac}$$

$$\Delta x \sim \tilde{v} \tau_{ac}$$

- can write in form:

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \underline{\Gamma} p$$

$\downarrow$
probability flux

manifestly
conserved
probability

$\downarrow$
write as divergence

$$\Gamma_p = \nabla P(x,t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\underline{D} P(x,t) \right)$$

Probability flux

- describes dynamics where macro evolution set by accumulation of many small steps.

Buried Bodies

- ① - no long time, long range correlations

②* assumes $\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle = \int d\Delta x (\Delta x)^2 T$
 $< \infty$!

not guaranteed by T normalization.

→ ② near equilibrium
 Gaussian

$$\Rightarrow \int (\Delta x)^2 T < \infty \checkmark$$

→ exponential ✓

(Gamma)

→ Power Law ?

→ self-similar processes → scaling

→ reality

$$T \sim I / \left[1 + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\Delta X}{L} \right)^\alpha}_{\text{infrared control}} \right]$$

⇒ need $\alpha > 3$, or

[expansion factor, and G.L.Th. violated.]

③ → γ not uniform?!

i.e. assume:

| | | | |

clock-like
regularity

but

| || | ||

sticking

$$\textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Fractional kinetics} \\ \text{CTRW} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Levy} \\ \text{walk} \end{array} \right\}$$

Central Limit Thm. violated $\Rightarrow$
Levy Distribution, not Gaussian.

Will discuss.

Light Reading:

- R. Lowenstein, "When Genius Failed"
 $\rightarrow$ LTCM

- B. Mandelbrot, "The (Mis) Behavior of Markets",

Examples:

- trivial $\rightarrow$ Brownian Motion

- Aside: Stochastic Liouville

- Useful $\rightarrow$ Schmoluchowski and Sedimentation
 Kramers 1

- trickier $\rightarrow$ Logistics with Multiplicative Noise

(a) Brownian Motion

both at T .

- What is $f(v, t)$?
 $t \rightarrow \infty$

Obviously a Gaussian, with variance v_{th}^2 !

How show ?

$\rightarrow$ Fokker-Planck Eqn.

$\rightarrow$ Stationarity: $\partial f / \partial t \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_v \rightarrow 0.$$

Of course, have:

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = -\beta v + \tilde{f}$$

$$\langle \tilde{F}(t) \tilde{F}(t') \rangle = \langle \tilde{F} \rangle^2 T_{ac} \delta(t' - t)$$

So, can set up F-P Egn, in v ?

$$F(v, t + \tau) = \int d(\underline{A}v) f(\underline{v} - \underline{A}v, t) T(\underline{A}v, \tau)$$

crank as before gives:

$$\frac{\partial F(v, t)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \cdot \underline{\Gamma}_v$$

$$\underline{\Gamma}_v = \left\{ \langle \underline{A}v \rangle F(v, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \cdot \left(\frac{\langle \underline{A}v \underline{A}v \rangle}{2\tau} F(v, t) \right) \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{V} F(v, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \cdot D F(v, t) \right\}$$

To calculate drift, diffusion:

use Langevin Egn.

$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\beta}{m} \underline{v} + \tilde{a}(t)$$

then avg:

$$\left\langle \frac{\Delta \underline{v}}{T} \right\rangle = -\underline{v} = -\frac{\beta}{m} \underline{v}$$

→ drift opposite motion,
~ β/m

For velocity diffusion:

$$\begin{aligned} D_v &= \left\langle \frac{\Delta \underline{v} \Delta \underline{v}}{2T} \right\rangle = \int_0^\infty \langle \tilde{a}(0) \tilde{a}(t) \rangle dt \\ &= \frac{|\tilde{f}_0|^2}{m^2} \tilde{\tau}_{ac} \end{aligned}$$

but FDT:

$$|\tilde{f}_0|^2 \tilde{\tau}_{ac} = \beta m \langle \tilde{v}^2 \rangle = \frac{\beta}{m} m^2 \frac{T}{m}$$

$$D_v = \frac{\beta T}{m^2} = \left(\frac{\beta}{m} \right) v_{th}^2 \quad \checkmark$$

(dims./expected)

$$D_v = \frac{\beta}{m} v_{th}^2 \left[\frac{I}{\equiv} \right]$$

$$\underline{V} = -\frac{\beta}{m} \underline{v}$$

1D

$$\Gamma_v = V F - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} (D_v F)$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{m} \underline{v} f - \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\frac{\beta}{m} v_{th}^2 f \right)$$

$$\Gamma_v = 0$$

$$F = N \exp \left[-\frac{v^2}{2 v_{th}^2} \right]$$

$$= N \exp \left[-\frac{\beta}{m} \frac{v^2}{2 D_v} \right]$$

Gaussian
results from
balance of
drag with
diffusion

$$D_v = \frac{\beta}{m} v_{th}^2$$