

Physics 210B

→ Linear Response Theory and Kubo Formalism: General Theory

(cf. Pottier, Zwanzig)

Recall:

→ see transport coefficients →

What are they based on? What is fundamental?

■ = before → Boltzmann Eqn., Chapman - Enskog expansion

here

- here → linear response (Liouville Eqn.), equilibrium fluctuation correlation

$$\underline{\underline{\Gamma}}(\omega) = \frac{\beta}{V} \int_0^{\infty} d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} \langle \underline{J}(\tau) \underline{J}(0) \rangle$$

$$\langle \cdot \rangle = \int d\tau f_0$$

equilibrium correlation fcn.

v.e. Fluctuations occur at ^{near} equilibrium
 $\Rightarrow$ transport

$\rightarrow$ key steps:

$$\langle J(t) \rangle = \beta \int d\Gamma \rho_0(\Gamma) \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{-\beta \mathcal{L}_0(t-t')} [E(t-t') \cdot J(\Gamma)]$$

From $\sum_i q_i x_i \cdot E$
 $\downarrow$

never explicit Δ $\sim$ orbit propagation:
 $e^{-\beta \mathcal{L}_0} [] = [E(t) \cdot J(t)]$

Kubo formalism uses ideas of
 - orbit propagation:

$$e^{-t\mathcal{L}} F(x, v) \rightarrow F(x(t), v(-t))$$

- unperturbed orbit propagator

$\mathcal{L}_0 \rightarrow x(t), v(-t)$ determined by H_0 .

- $\mathcal{L}_1 \rightarrow$ propagator for perturbation
 $\mathcal{L} E \cdot x = H_1$

→ example: mobility of charged ^{Brownian} particle

mobility $\leftrightarrow$ average velocity

$$\langle v \rangle_\omega = \underbrace{\mu(\omega)}_{\text{mobility}} E_\omega$$

$\therefore$ mobility $\rightarrow$ velocity correlation function

$$\mu(\omega) = \int_0^\infty dt e^{-i\omega t} \beta q \underbrace{\langle v(t) v(0) \rangle}_{\text{velocity correlation}}$$

N.B.: $\omega \rightarrow 0$

$$\int_0^\infty dt \langle v(t) v(0) \rangle = D \equiv \frac{\mu(0)}{\beta q} = \frac{\mu(0) T}{Z}$$

but now recall showed:

$\sim$ Einstein relation

$$\langle v(t) v(0) \rangle = v_{th}^2 \exp(-\underbrace{\gamma t/m}_{\text{drag}})$$

$$\chi''(\omega) = \int_0^\infty dt \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \left(\frac{\beta}{m} \right) e^{-\gamma t/m}$$

$$\chi''(\omega) = \frac{\beta}{m} \frac{\gamma}{\omega^2 + \gamma^2/m^2}$$

Frequency dependence. (ω vs drag)

how via Chapman-Enskog?

→ Also: cumulants and diffusion (cf. next week's lecture).

Now:

→ generalize: classical and quantum systems.

→ relate response, susceptibility, relaxation functions (time)

→ General Theory: (Quantum FDT) etc. and structure and connections.

→ Background - Q.M. Density Operator

$$\rho = \sum_j p_j |\psi_j\rangle \langle \psi_j|$$

ρ density operator
 p_j probability in j (pure)
 (analogue to f)

↔ analogue to f

then:

$\langle A \rangle$
 ρ
 expectation of A

$$= \sum_j p_j \langle \psi_j | A | \psi_j \rangle = \sum_j p_j \text{tr}(|\psi_j\rangle \langle \psi_j| A)$$

$$= \sum_j \text{tr}(p_j |\psi_j\rangle \langle \psi_j| A)$$

$$= \text{tr}\left(\sum_j p_j |\psi_j\rangle \langle \psi_j| A\right)$$

$$= \text{tr}(\rho A)$$

$S = -\text{tr}(\rho \ln \rho)$

→ entropy

At eqbm:

$$\rho_0 = \frac{1}{Z} \exp[-\beta H_0]$$

Dynamics:

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i \mathcal{L} \rho(t)$$

$\mathcal{L}$
Liouville operator $\rightarrow$ evolves
density fctn.

$$H = H_0 + H_1$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$-q(t) A$$

$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{slow} \\ \text{fctn.} \end{array} \right]$ $\downarrow$ $\mathcal{L}$ operator $\leftrightarrow$ canonical variables.
 (physical quantity $\rightarrow$ i.e. $\downarrow$ for current/resistivity)

Linear Response

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$$

$$\uparrow \quad \quad \downarrow$$

$$H = H_0 + H_1$$

and

$$\rho = \rho(H) = \rho_0 + \delta\rho(t)$$

then $\frac{d\rho_0}{dt} = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}_0 \rho_0 = 0$

$$\frac{d\rho(t)}{dt} = -i \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0 - i \mathcal{L}_0 \rho(t) - i \cancel{\mathcal{L}_1 \rho(t)} \quad \text{h.o.}$$

$$\rho(t) = e^{-i \mathcal{L}_0 t} F(t)$$

so
$$-i \cancel{\mathcal{L}_0} F(t) + e^{-i \mathcal{L}_0 t} \frac{dF}{dt} = -i \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0 - i \mathcal{L}_0 e^{-i \cancel{\mathcal{L}_0} t} F(t)$$

$$\frac{dF(t)}{dt} = -i e^{i \mathcal{L}_0 t} \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0$$

so
$$F(t) = -i \int_{t_0}^t e^{i \mathcal{L}_0 t'} \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0 dt'$$

and,
$$\rho(t) = -i \int_{t_0}^t e^{-i \mathcal{L}_0 (t-t')} \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0 dt'$$

→ unperturbed density (distribution
fn.)

→ simple / progresses → $\mathcal{L}_0$ for evolution.
Leaves ρ_0 invariant

Now, Q.M. $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{i}{\hbar} [\rho, H] = 0$$

$$i \mathcal{L}_1 \rho_0 = \frac{i}{\hbar} [H_1, \rho_0]$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_1$ advances } particles / ρ_0 according
to H_1 } parametric dep.

and since $H_1 = -a(t) A$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \rho(t) &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t a(t') e^{-i \mathcal{L}_0(t-t')} [A, \rho_0] dt' \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t a(t') [A_I(t'-t), \rho_0] dt' \end{aligned}$$

where,

$A_I(t'-t)$ is in interaction picture (Heisenberg)

i.e.

$$A_I(t) = e^{i \mathcal{L}_0 t} A = e^{i \hbar t / \hbar} A e^{-i \hbar t / \hbar}$$

Finally ($t_0 \rightarrow -\infty$):

$$\rho(t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^t a(t') [A_I(t'-t), \rho_0] dt'$$

perturbed dist.

Now to compute linear response of operator B (represents any canonical variable)

$$\langle B(t) \rangle = \text{tr} [\rho(t) B]$$

$\int$ ρ resp.
evolved B , evolved
induced by $a(t)$

$\int$ B is operator
computing response of

$$= \langle B \rangle + \text{tr} [\rho(t) B]$$

$$\text{tr} (\rho_0 B)$$

B order time

so

$$\langle B(t) \rangle_a = \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^t a(t') \text{tr} ([A_I(t'-t), \rho_0] B) dt'$$

circular permutation (cross prod.)

$$= \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^t a(t') \text{tr} ([B, A_I(t'-t)] \rho_0)$$

$$\langle B(t) \rangle_a = \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^t a(t') \text{tr}([B, A_I(t'-t)] \rho) dt'$$

eqn 19.19

$$\langle B(t) \rangle_a = \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^t a(t') \langle [B^I(t-t'), A] \rangle dt'$$

- can shift time arguments

- no conv.

Finally,

response

$$\langle B(t) \rangle_a = \int_{-\infty}^t \tilde{\chi}_{BA}(t-t') a(t') dt'$$

susceptibility

$$\tilde{\chi}_{B,A} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \langle [B(t), A] \rangle$$

General

*** Kubo Formula ***

- if $H_1 = -a(t)A$, then $\tilde{\chi}_{BA}$ is susceptibility of B computed with $\rho_0 = \rho_0(A)$ c.f. from: $\text{tr}(B \rho_0)$.

- if $[H, A] = [H, B] = 0 \rightarrow [A, B] = 0$ and
- avg is over ρ_0 $\tilde{\chi}_{BA} \rightarrow 0$

- classical counterpart:

$$\frac{i}{\hbar} [B(t), A] \rightarrow \{B, A\}, \quad \text{avg over } \rho_0$$

- general.

- for several perturbations $\rightarrow$ add. (linear response).

Expressing as sum over eigenstates:

$$\pi_n = \langle \phi_n | \rho_0 | \phi_n \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\chi}_{BA}(t) &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \sum_n \langle \phi_n | [B(t), A] \rho_0 | \phi_n \rangle \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \sum_n \langle \phi_n | [B(t)A - AB] \rho_0 | \phi_n \rangle \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \sum_{n \neq l} \pi_n (B_{nl} A_{ln} e^{i\omega_{nl}t} - A_{nl} B_{ln} e^{i\omega_{ln}t}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega_{nl} = (E_n - E_l)/\hbar$$

and symmetrizing second term:

$$\tilde{\chi}_{BA}(t) = \frac{i\Theta(t)}{\hbar} \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\pi_{\alpha} - \pi_{\beta}) B_{\alpha\beta} A_{\beta\alpha} e^{i\omega_{\alpha\beta}t}$$

→ susceptibility / response ftn → linear superposition of sinusoids at $\omega_{\alpha\beta}$

→ first d-o-f ⇒ no spectrum discrete

$\tilde{\chi}_{BA} \Rightarrow$ sum of sinusoids

⇒ undamped!

System has infinite memory!

Atom perturbed by electric field.

Eg. What is response function of an atom (atomic system) perturbed (polarized) by electric field. Unperturbed is in $|\phi_0\rangle$.

$$\leadsto \underline{H}_1 = -\underline{E}(t) \cdot q \underline{X}$$

Recall: $\chi_{BA}(t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \langle [B(t), A] \rangle$

here: $A = \underline{x}$ (via H_1)

$\underline{B} = \underline{x}(t)$ ie polarization is $\underline{x}(t)$ trajectory

sg
Resp Fctn = $\chi_{x,x} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \langle \phi_0 | [x(t), x] | \phi_0 \rangle$

Now, $\chi_{BA} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \sum_n \pi_n (B_n e^{i\omega_n t} - A_n e^{-i\omega_n t})$

$= \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \sum_n (x_{0n} x_{n0} e^{i\omega_n t} - x_{0n} x_{n0} e^{-i\omega_n t})$

$= \theta(t) \frac{2}{\hbar} \sum_n |\langle \phi_0 | x | \phi_n \rangle|^2 \sin \omega_n t$

→ What happened to the correlation function?

⇒ Relation to Canonical Correlation Function ~~is~~ Rewrite commutator in simpler way.

$$\sim T, \quad \rho_0 = \sum_n \rho_n |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n|$$

$$\frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta E_n}$$

$$\text{Now, } \chi_{BA} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \theta(t) \langle [B(t), A] \rangle$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\text{tr}([A, \rho_0] B(t))$$

to compute use identity:

$$[A, e^{-\beta H}] = e^{-\beta H} \int_0^\beta e^{\lambda H} [H, A] e^{-\lambda H} d\lambda$$

— show via matrix elements
 $\Leftrightarrow$ tedious

— leads to "Kubo Transform"

but: $[H_0, A] = i\hbar \dot{A}$

so identity $\Rightarrow$

$$[A, e_0] = -i\hbar \rho \int_0^\beta e^{\lambda H_0} \dot{A} e^{-\lambda H_0} d\lambda$$

so, for response:

$$\chi_{BA}(t) = \Theta(t) \int_0^\beta \langle e^{\lambda H_0} \dot{A} e^{-\lambda H_0} B(t) \rangle d\lambda$$

and if define:

$$\left[\begin{aligned} A(i\hbar\lambda) &\equiv e^{\lambda H_0} A e^{-\lambda H_0} \\ \text{i.e. operator at imaginary time} \\ &\quad -i\hbar\lambda \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\chi_{BA}(t) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta \langle A(-i\hbar\lambda) B(t) \rangle d\lambda$$

Kubo canonical correlation function.

$A(-i\hbar\lambda) \equiv$ operator at imag. time.

So

$$\chi_{BA}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\hbar} \langle [A, B] \rangle \chi_{BA}(\omega)$$

$\chi_{BA}(\omega)$ $\chi_{BA}(\omega)$
 resp. function canonical correlator

General, QM counterpart of :

$$\chi(\omega) = \int_0^\infty e^{i\omega\tau} \langle \underline{J}(0) \underline{J}(-\tau) \rangle \frac{\beta}{V} d\tau$$

→ Generalized Susceptibility

i.e. have: correlation ~~to~~ response fctn.

~~correlation to response fctn.~~
 response ~~to~~ susceptibility
 (F.T.)

So → general form susceptibility?

have $a(t)$ applied

$$\langle B(\omega) \rangle_a = \chi_{BA}(\omega) a(\omega)$$

so, define generalized susceptibility
as: (FT)

$$\chi_{BA}(\omega + i\epsilon) = \int_0^{\infty} \chi_{BA}(t) e^{i\omega t} \underbrace{e^{-\epsilon t}}_{\text{conv.}} dt \quad \epsilon > 0$$

so

$$\chi_{BA}(\omega) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \chi_{BA}(\omega + i\epsilon)$$

so if

$$\chi_{BA}(t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \Theta(t) \sum_{n,2} (\pi_n - \pi_2) B_{n2} A_{2n} e^{i\omega_{n2} t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\chi_{BA}(\omega) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \sum_{n,2} (\pi_n - \pi_2) B_{n2} A_{2n} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega_{n2} - \omega - i\epsilon}}$$

susceptibility.

— poles — resonances ω_{n2}

— general QM. derivation

Lots more