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Statistical physics of rare events & large deviations

- Mathematical question + tricks
- Motivations
- Weak small noise $\rightarrow$ Lagrangian
 $\rightarrow$ Hamiltonian

detailed balance vs. without.

- Large deviation in diffusive systems
- Active particles.

The mathematical question

N coin tosses outcome $0, 1$

$P(A=A)$ where $A = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N s_i$ $s_i \sim 0, 1$ intensive.

1) Central limit theorem

$$\langle s \rangle_c = \frac{1}{2} \quad ; \quad \langle s^2 \rangle_c = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} p(y = \frac{NA - N\langle s \rangle_c}{\sqrt{N}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \langle s^2 \rangle_c}} e^{-y^2 / 2\langle s^2 \rangle_c}$$

when $NA - N\langle s \rangle_c$ does not scale like $\sqrt{N}$ CLT predicts a zero probability $A - \langle s \rangle_c \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$

2) Exact solution

$$P(A=A) = \frac{1}{2^N} \frac{N!}{[NA]! [N(1-A)]!}$$

$$n! \sim n^n e^{-n} \sqrt{2\pi n}$$

$$P(A=A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{N} \sqrt{A(1-A)}} e^{-N [\ln 2 + A \ln A + (1-A) \ln (1-A)]}$$

$$\equiv e^{-NI(A) + o(N)}$$

$$\text{with } \boxed{I(A) = \ln 2 + A \ln A + (1-A) \ln (1-A)}$$

In large N limit clearly the probability of $A=A$ is give to leading order by

$$\boxed{P(A=A) \sim e^{-NI(A)}}$$

$I(A)$ - Rate function / large deviation function

Comment:

- * N extensive, A - intensive
- * Formally $I(A) = -\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \ln P(A=A)$
- * $I(A)$ describes fluctuations much beyond CLT
- * If we look close to ave value of $\frac{1}{2}$ we can expand $A = \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon$

$$I(A) \approx 2(A - \frac{1}{2})^2 \rightarrow \text{CLT}$$

Taking a scaling for of $\epsilon = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}}$ and then $N \rightarrow \infty$ brings back the CLT.

Trick

Equilibrium - want to calculate the entropy $\rightarrow$ to simplify go to the canonical ensemble

$$Z(\beta) = \sum_{\epsilon} \Omega(\epsilon) e^{-\beta \epsilon}$$

$\Omega(\epsilon)$ density of states

$$Z(\beta) \sim \Omega(\epsilon^*) e^{-\beta \epsilon^*}$$
$$= e^{-\beta(\epsilon^* - \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \Omega(\epsilon^*))} = e^{-\beta F(\epsilon^*)}$$

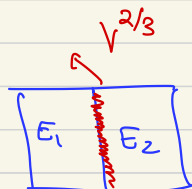
where ϵ^* is a solution of $\beta = \frac{\partial \ln \Omega}{\partial \epsilon}$

$\Rightarrow$ can obtain the entropy from $F(\epsilon^*)$

- Calculate $F(\beta) = \epsilon^*$ ($F(\beta) = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta}$)

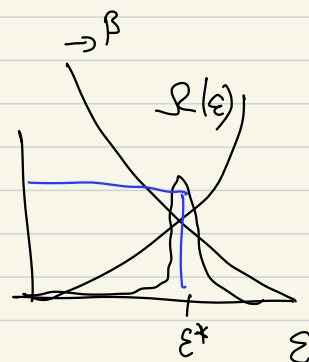
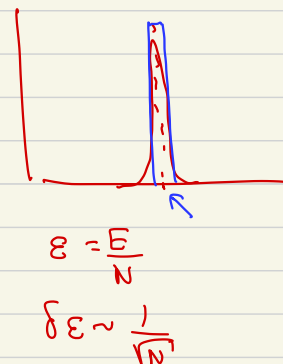
$$\Rightarrow S(\epsilon^*) = (\epsilon^* - F(\epsilon^*)) \beta$$

$$N \sim N \epsilon$$



$$V \leftarrow E_1 + E_2$$

$$\ln \Omega \sim N \phi\left(\frac{E}{N}\right)$$



Use same idea for coin problem

$$\langle e^{NkA} \rangle = e^{\ln \langle e^{NkA} \rangle} = \sum_A p(A) e^{NkA} \sim p(A^*) e^{NkA^*}$$

$\nearrow e^{\ln p(A)}$
 $\downarrow$ saddle point
 $NkA^* + \ln p(A^*)$

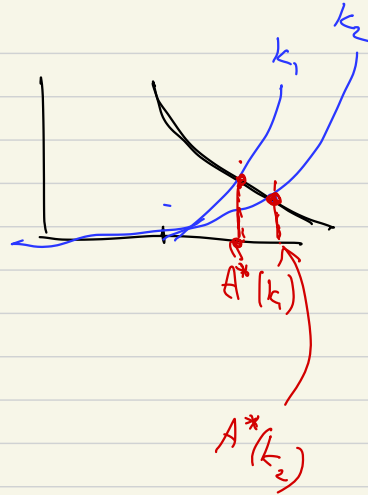
$$\text{get } N \left[k + \frac{p'(A)}{N p(A)} \right] = 0$$

$$\sim e^{NkA^* + \ln p(A^*)}$$

Look at coin toss problem

$$\langle e^{NkA} \rangle = \langle e^{k \sum_{i=1}^N s_i} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N (1 + e^k)^N$$

$$A^*(k) = \frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial \ln \langle e^{NkA} \rangle}{\partial k} = \frac{e^k}{1 + e^k}$$



$$\Rightarrow k = \ln \frac{A}{1-A} \quad \text{or} \quad e^k = \frac{A}{1-A}$$

$$\ln p(A^*) = \ln \langle e^{NkA^*} \rangle - NkA^*$$

$$\ln p(A) = -N \ln 2 + N \ln(1 + e^k) - NA \ln \left(\frac{A}{1-A} \right)$$

$$= -N \underbrace{[\ln 2 + (1-A) \ln(1-A) + A \ln A]}_{I(A)}$$

Homework - Blackbody - probability of observing N photons in the system?

Have introduce generating function which is related to the number of photons

$$k \leftarrow \langle e^{\beta \mu N} \rangle$$

Motivation

Outside physics

- 1) Risk management - probability to go bust.
- 2) Population dynamics - covid-19 $\Rightarrow$ probability to go extinct?
- 3) Climate problems -

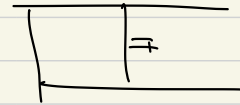
Physics

- 1) Reaction rates



- 2) Fluctuation theorems

$$\langle e^{-\Delta S} \rangle = 1$$



probability of violating the 2nd law

3) Fluctuation in macroscopic system

Consider a macroscopic system with N deg of freedom
In eq. we can ask $\rightarrow$ given that the system is connected
to a bath what is the prob.
of observing an energy E .

$$p(E) = \frac{\Omega(E) e^{-\beta E}}{\mathcal{Z}} = \frac{e^{-\beta(E-TS)}}{\mathcal{Z}} = \frac{e^{-\beta F(E)}}{\mathcal{Z}}$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \sum_E e^{-\beta F(E)} \sim e^{-\beta F(E^*)}$$

$$p(E) \sim e^{-\beta(F(E) - F(E^*))}$$

$\hookrightarrow$ prob. of observing a rare energy

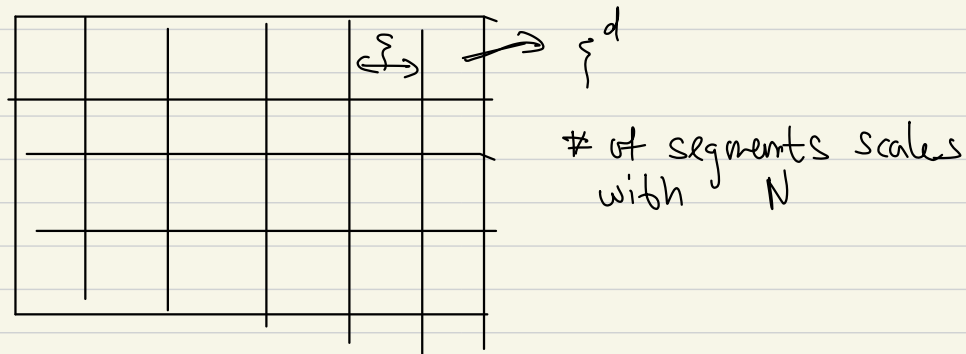
$F(E)$ is extensive $F(E) = N f(\epsilon)$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{E}{N}$$

$$p(E) \sim e^{-N [\beta(f(\epsilon) - f(\epsilon^*))]}$$

rate function/
large deviation function

Dynamical picture



Eq. for fluctuations in E

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = N \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{deterministic} \\ \text{part pulls} \\ \text{to } E^* \end{array} \right) + [\tilde{\text{Noise}}]$$

$\searrow$
 $\sqrt{N} [\text{Noise}]$

In fact, write eq. for $\varepsilon = \frac{E}{N}$

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{det} \\ \text{part} \end{array} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} [\text{Noise}]$$

$\searrow$ weak noise

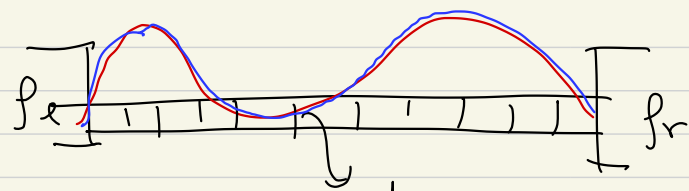
In eq. this small noise leads to

$$p(\varepsilon) \sim e^{-N[\beta(f(\varepsilon) - f(\varepsilon^*))]}$$

Can ask $\Rightarrow$ look at system out of equilibrium and ask probability for some event, X

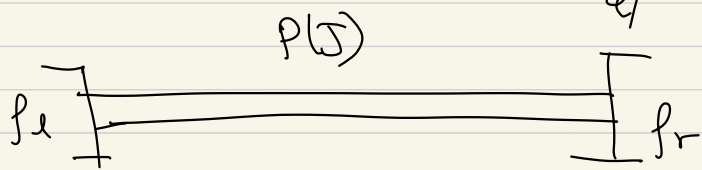
$$p(x) \sim e^{-N \underbrace{I(x)}} \rightarrow \text{rate function}$$

$\rightarrow$ replaces free-energy.



diffusive
gas in channel

$f_l > f_r$
non-local



singular

Yesterday

- Large deviation $\rightarrow$ rate / large deviation function

$$I(A) = - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \ln P(A=A)$$

or

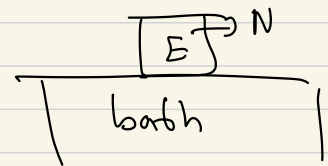
$$P(A=A) \sim e^{-NI(A)}$$

Coins $I(A) = \ln 2 + A \ln A + (1-A) \ln (1-A)$

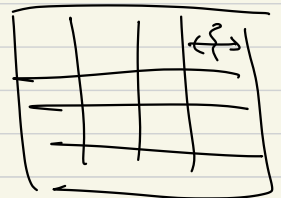
- Method evaluating LDF $\rightarrow$ similar to changing ens. in eq.
- Motivation - macroscopic system

$$P(\varepsilon) \sim e^{-N \underbrace{[\beta(f(\varepsilon) - f(\varepsilon^*))]}_{I(\varepsilon) \rightarrow \text{int.}}}$$

$\frac{E}{N} \swarrow \text{ext.}$



Dynamical: $\frac{d\varepsilon}{dt} = \underbrace{(\text{det})}_{\varepsilon^*} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \text{noise}}_{\text{noise}}$



$$\varepsilon = \frac{E}{N} \sqrt{N}$$

$$A \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \quad A \sim 1$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

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Weak noise

N independent harmonic oscillator

1 osc $\partial_t P = -\partial_x \left[-\mu \partial_x V P(x,t) - \partial_x (\gamma P(x,t)) \right]$

$$\nearrow \frac{kx^2}{2}$$

$$P^s(x) \propto e^{-\frac{\mu k x^2}{2\gamma}}$$

$$= e^{-\beta V(x)}$$

$$\gamma = \mu T$$

Same physics $\dot{x} = -\mu \partial_x V + \sqrt{2\gamma} \eta(t)$

$$\langle \eta(t) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \eta(t') \eta(t) \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

N independent oscillators $\bigcup_{x_1} \bigcup_{x_2} \dots \bigcup_{x_N}$

$$\dot{x}_i = -\mu k x_i + \sqrt{2\gamma} \eta_i(t)$$

$$\langle \eta_i(t) \eta_j(t') \rangle = \delta_{ij} \delta(t-t')$$

Intensive quantity $X = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$

$$\dot{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \dot{x}_i = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (-\mu k x_i + \sqrt{2\gamma} \eta_i(t))$$

$$\dot{X} = -\mu k X + \frac{1}{N} \sqrt{2\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^N \eta_i(t)$$

Define $\bar{\eta} = \sum_{i=1}^N \eta_i(t) \Rightarrow \langle \bar{\eta}(t) \bar{\eta}(t') \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(t-t')$

$$= N \delta(t-t')$$

Amplitude of η is $\sqrt{N} \Rightarrow$ define $\eta(t) = \sqrt{N} \eta(t)$

$$\boxed{\dot{x} = -\mu k x + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)} \rightarrow \delta(t-t') = \langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle$$

Exact solution $\partial_t P = -\partial_x (-\mu k x P - \frac{\gamma}{N} \partial_x P)$

$$P^S(x) \propto e^{-N \frac{\mu k x^2}{2\gamma}}$$

$$= e^{-N I(x)}$$

$$I(x) = \frac{\mu k x^2}{2\gamma}$$

Path integral methods $\rightarrow$ Lagrangian
 $\rightarrow$ Hamiltonian

$$\dot{x} = v(x) + \sqrt{2\gamma(x)} \eta(t)$$

$$P_{TR}(x_f, t_f) = \int_{(0,0)}^{(x_f, t_f)} \mathcal{D}x(t) e^{-\int_0^{t_f} dt' \frac{(\dot{x} - v(x))^2}{4\gamma(x)}} \rightarrow \gamma/N$$

$$= \int_{(0,0)}^{(x_f, t_f)} \mathcal{D}x(t) e^{-N S(x_f, t_f; 0, 0)}$$

$\rightarrow$ large $(\propto \frac{1}{\hbar})$

$$S = \int_0^{t_f} dt' \frac{(\dot{x} + \mu k x)^2}{4\gamma}$$

ACTION

$$L(\dot{x}, x) = \frac{(\dot{x} + \mu k x)^2}{4\gamma}$$

LAGRANGIAN

Since N is large can get leading order behavior in N using a saddle point approximation

To do: - find most probable trajectory $X(t) \Rightarrow$ most probable history

- plug solution into action $\Rightarrow$ get the probability

$$\text{LDF} \quad S(x_f, t_f; 0, 0) = \min_{X(t)} \int_0^{t_f} L(\dot{x}, x) dt$$

To minimize Euler-Lagrange

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0$$

In the large N limit given that a fluctuation which leads to x_f at t_f occurred $\Rightarrow$ it is dominated by a single history

After Euler-Lagrange

$$\ddot{x} = (\mu k)^2 x \Rightarrow \text{uphill}$$

Use this to obtain steady-state distribution

$$0, t_f \rightarrow \infty \quad (-\infty, 0)$$

$\swarrow$ $\searrow$
 0 x_f

$$x(t) = x_f e^{-\mu k(t_f - t)}$$

$$(\dot{x} + \mu k x) = 2\mu k x_f e^{-\mu k(t_f - t)}$$

$$S = \lim_{t_f \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{t_f} dt \frac{x_f^2 (\mu k)^2}{\gamma} e^{-2\mu k(t_f - t)} = \frac{x_f^2 \mu k}{2\gamma}$$

In the steady state ($x_f \Rightarrow x$)

$$P(x) \sim e^{-\frac{Nx^2\mu k}{2\gamma}} \quad \text{as before}$$

Note: solution is 0 except for a period of time $\frac{1}{\mu k}$
 $\Rightarrow$ a short time interval



$\Rightarrow$ instantons



Interesting $\Rightarrow$ what is the most probable path for relaxing to the most probable configuration ($x=0$)

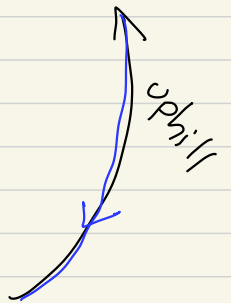
$$\ddot{x} = (\mu k)^2 x$$

Equation is symmetric under time reversal!

$\Rightarrow$ relaxation is time reversed trajectory

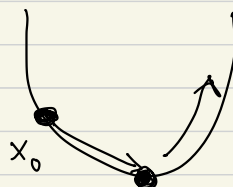
$\Rightarrow$ direct consequence of fact that the system
 $\Rightarrow$ equilibrium

Going downhill $\Rightarrow$ no cost in action



$$\dot{x} = -\mu k x$$

$$\ddot{x} = -\mu k \dot{x} = (\mu k)^2 x$$



Hamiltonian method

$$\dot{x} = v(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)$$

Martin-Siggia-Rose $x(t_f) = x_f$

$$P_{\text{TR}}(x_f, t_f; 0, 0) = \left\langle \int_{x(0)=0} \mathcal{D}x \delta(\dot{x} - v(x) - \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)) \right\rangle_{\eta}$$

$\tilde{x} = N\hat{x}$ $\eta \rightarrow$ histories

$$\delta(\dot{x} - v(x) - \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)) = \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \mathcal{D}\hat{x} e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt \hat{x} (\dot{x} - v(x) - \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t))}$$

$$P_{\text{TR}} = \left\langle \int \mathcal{D}x \int \mathcal{D}\hat{x} e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt (\hat{x} (\dot{x} - v(x) - \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t))} \right\rangle_{\eta}$$

HW

$e^{-\int_0^{t_f} \frac{\eta^2(t)}{2} dt}$

$$P_{\text{TR}}(x_f, t_f) = \int_{x(0)=0} \mathcal{D}x \mathcal{D}\hat{x} e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt [\hat{x} \dot{x} - H[x, \hat{x}]]}$$

$x(t_f) = x_f$

$$H(x, \hat{x}) = \hat{x} v(x) + \gamma \hat{x}^2 = -\mu k \hat{x} x + \gamma \hat{x}^2$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$$

$\Rightarrow$ solve

$$\dot{x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

$$e^{-N\Phi}$$

momentum

Yesterday

Weak noise $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \Rightarrow P(x) \sim e^{-NI(x)}$

Steady-state distribute

$$\dot{x} = v(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma(x)}{N}} \eta(t)$$

$$v(x) = -\mu kx$$

$$\gamma(x) = \gamma$$

Path integral (x_f, t_f)
 $P_{TR} \sim \int_{(0,0)}^{(x_f, t_f)} \mathcal{D}x e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt' \underbrace{\frac{(\dot{x} + \mu kx)^2}{2\gamma}}_L}$

Lagrangian

$t_f \Rightarrow \infty$ $(-\infty, 0) \Rightarrow$ min action $\Rightarrow$ plug solution in $\Rightarrow$ cost of reaching x



$$\dot{x} = -\mu kx$$

MSR method

$$P_{TR} = \int_{x(0)=0}^{x(t_f)=x_f} \mathcal{D}x \mathcal{D}\hat{x} e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt [\hat{x}\dot{x} - H(x, \hat{x})]}$$

$$H(x, \hat{x}) = \hat{x} v(x) + \gamma \hat{x}^2 = -\mu kx \hat{x} + \gamma \hat{x}^2$$

Could also use $\hat{x} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$$

$$\dot{x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{2\gamma} (\dot{x} + \mu k x) = (\dot{x} - v(x)) / 2\gamma$$

Recall that

$$\dot{x} = v(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)$$

$$\eta(t) = (\dot{x} - v(x)) \sqrt{\frac{N}{2\gamma}}$$

up to prefactor $\hat{x}$ describes the most probable history of the noise.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\gamma N}} \eta = \frac{(\dot{x} - v(x))}{2\gamma}$$

Look at eqs.

$$H(x, \hat{x}) = \hat{x} v(x) + \gamma \hat{x}^2 = -\mu k x \hat{x} + \gamma \hat{x}^2$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = -\hat{x} \frac{\partial v(x)}{\partial x} = \mu k \hat{x}$$

$$\dot{x} = v(x) + 2\gamma \hat{x} = -\mu k x + 2\gamma \hat{x}$$

$$\text{Solving for } \hat{x}(t) = \frac{\mu k}{\gamma} x_f e^{-\mu k (t_f - t)}$$

final
position

Look at downhill trajectory $\hat{x} = 0$

$$H(\hat{x}, x) = -\mu k x \hat{x} + \gamma \hat{x}^2 = 0$$

Since H does not depend explicitly on time $H(x, \hat{x})$ is conserved along a trajectory $\Rightarrow$ Here $H = 0$.

Uphill $\Rightarrow$ what is the value of $H(x, \hat{x})$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{\mu k}{\gamma} x_f e^{-\mu k(t_f - t)}$$

$$x = x_f e^{-\mu k(t_f - t)}$$

$$H(\hat{x}, x) = -\frac{(\mu k)^2}{\gamma} x_f^2 e^{-2\mu k(t_f - t)} + \frac{(\mu k)^2}{\gamma} x_f^2 e^{-2\mu k(t_f - t)} = 0.$$

$H(\hat{x}, x)$ for $t_f \rightarrow \infty$ has to be zero.

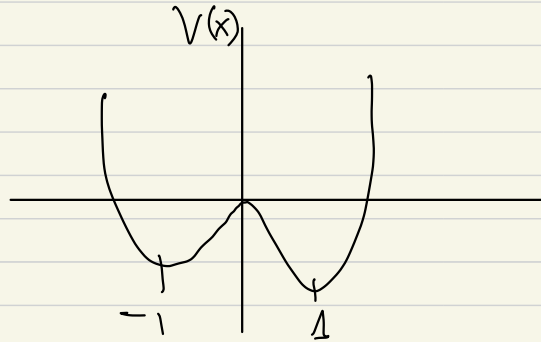
Trajectories that are used to calculate steady-state distribution have zero A .

Recap: Lagrangian
Hamiltonian

$$P_{\text{TR}}(x_f, t_f) = \int_{x(0)=0}^{x(t_f)=x_f} \mathcal{D}x \mathcal{D}\hat{x} e^{-N \int_0^{t_f} dt [\hat{x} \dot{x} - \cancel{H[x, \hat{x}]}]}$$


Consequences of the Hamiltonian structure

$$V(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^4 \quad \text{set } \gamma = \frac{1}{2}$$



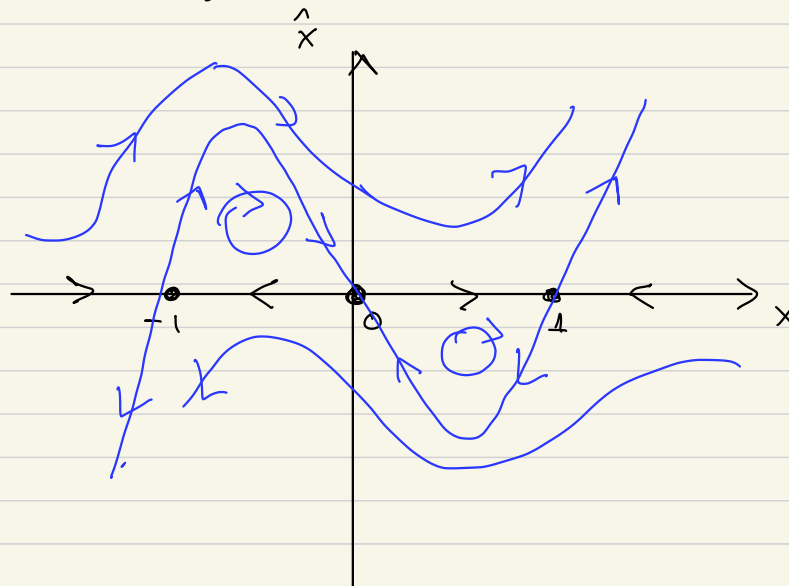
$$U(x) = -\partial_x V(x) = x - x^3$$

$$H(x, \hat{x}) = \hat{x} (x - x^3) + \frac{\hat{x}^2}{2}$$

$$\dot{x} = x - x^3 + \hat{x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = \hat{x} (3x^2 - 1) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}$$

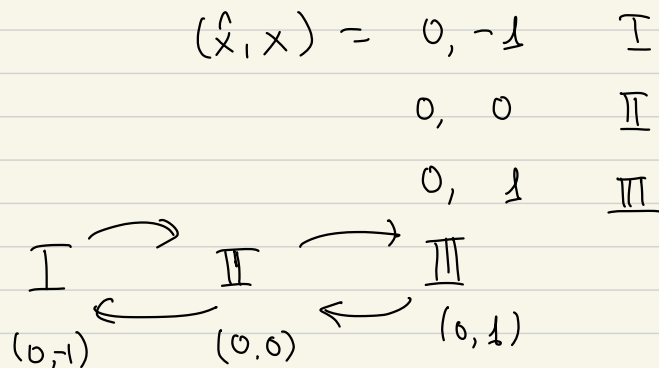
(i) The extrema of the potential ($x = -1, 0, 1$) are fixed points of the dynamics with $\hat{x} = 0$



(ii) Liouville's $\Rightarrow$ area is preserved $\Rightarrow$ no purely attractive in unstable fixed points.

(iii) If we want to start at a fixed and end at another point it take an infinite amount of time to the point.

(iv) We can formally draw a graph between fixed points & look at transition probabilities between them



(v) Trajectories which cross $\hat{x}=0$ have zero energy

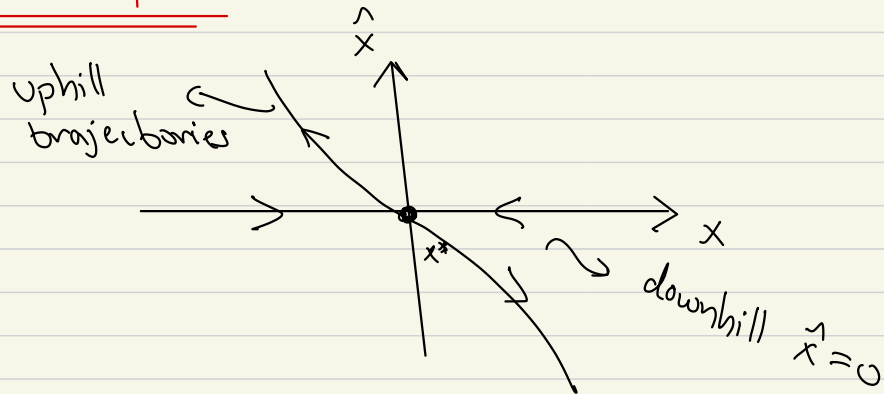
(vi) Dynamics with $H(\hat{x}, x)=0$ minimize the action & should used for steady-state calculations

$$\hat{x}(x-x^3) + \frac{\hat{x}^2}{2} = 0$$

$$\hat{x} = 2(x^3 - x)$$

Now have tools to evaluate $P(x) \sim e^{-N\Phi(x)}$ using Lagrangian on Hamiltonian structure.

Single fixed point



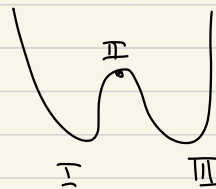
To find prob. to be at x calc eqs. of motion with solution such that $x(0) = x^*$ and $x(t_f) = x$ with $t_f \rightarrow \infty$

$$\Phi = \int_0^\infty \dot{x} \dot{x} dt \quad (H=0)$$

Several fixed points

Need to evaluate

$$\Phi(x_I), \Phi(x_{II}), \Phi(x_{III})$$



$$e^{-N\Phi(x_{II})}$$

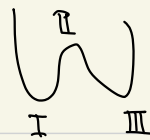
Imagine someone gives you $\Phi(x_I) \dots$

To evaluate the prob. of being at x

$$\Phi(x) = \min_a \left[\Phi(x_a) + \underbrace{S(x, t_f \rightarrow \infty | x_a, 0)}_{\text{const of going from fixed point to } x} \right]$$

const of going from fixed point to x

Problem $\Rightarrow$ we don't know $\Phi(x_I)$, $\Phi(x_{II})$, $\Phi(x_{III})$



To do this $\Rightarrow$ balance fluxes. Example: flux into and out of flux

$$e^{-N[\Phi(x_I) + S(x_{II}, t_f \rightarrow \infty | x_I, 0)]} e^{-N[\Phi(x_{II}) + S(x_{II}, t_f \rightarrow \infty | x_{II}, 0)]} \\ = e^{-N[\Phi(x_{II}) + S(x_{II} \rightarrow x_I)]} + e^{-N[\Phi(x_{II}) + S(x_{II} \rightarrow x_{III})]}$$

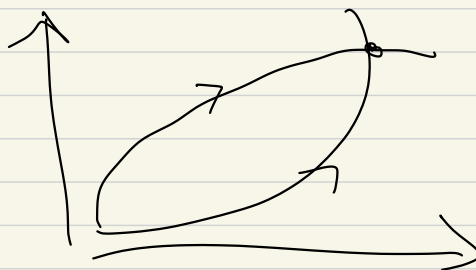
$$\min_{\alpha = I, III} [\Phi(x_\alpha) + S(x_{II}, \infty | x_\alpha, 0)] = \Phi(x_{II}) + \min_{\alpha = I, III} S(x_\alpha, \infty | x_{II}, 0)$$

A closed equation for the prob to be at fixed points.

$$\partial_t P = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [v(x)P] + \frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} [\gamma P] = 0$$

$$P(x) \sim e^{-N\Phi(x)}$$

$$H[x, \hat{x}] = \hat{x} v(x) + \hat{x}^2 \gamma = 0$$



Up to now

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$ small noise

$$1d \quad \dot{x} = v(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma(x)}{N}} \eta(t) \leadsto \text{gaussian}$$

Model in or out of eq.

$$d \quad \dot{\vec{x}} = \vec{v}(\vec{x}) + G(\vec{x}) \vec{\eta}(t)$$

$$P \sim e^{-N\phi(x)}$$

$$\langle \eta_i(t) \eta_j(t') \rangle \propto \delta(t-t')$$

Langrangian form

$$1d \quad N \int_0^t dt' \frac{(\dot{x} - v(x))^2}{4\gamma(x)}$$

Bray McKane goes

$$d \quad N \int_0^t dt' \frac{1}{4} (\dot{\vec{x}} - \vec{v}(\vec{x})) \cdot \Gamma^{-1}(\vec{x}) (\dot{\vec{x}} - \vec{v}(\vec{x}))$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2} G G^T$$

Hamiltonian

$$1d \quad N \int_0^t dt' [\hat{x} \dot{x} - H[x, \hat{x}]]$$

$$H[x, \hat{x}] = \hat{x} v(x) + \gamma(x) \hat{x}^2$$

$$d \quad N \int_0^t dt' [\hat{\vec{x}} \cdot \dot{\vec{x}} - H[\vec{x}, \hat{\vec{x}}]]$$

$$H[\vec{x}, \hat{\vec{x}}] = \hat{\vec{x}} \cdot \vec{v}(\vec{x}) + \hat{\vec{x}} \cdot \Gamma \hat{\vec{x}}$$

Steady-state $\rightarrow$ minimize action $\rightarrow$ most probable history
 $\rightarrow$ plug in action $\rightarrow$ LDF function

find trajectory $x(t)$ Lagrangian
 $x(t), \hat{x}(t)$ Hamiltonian

Steady-state $H[x, \hat{x}] = 0$
 $t = -\infty \rightarrow t = 0$

- Because the trajectory takes an infinite amount of time
 $\rightarrow$ only solutions are ones which start at fixed points
of dynamics $\Rightarrow$ no noise $\dot{x} = 0$

$$H = \hat{x} () \Rightarrow H = 0$$

steady-state
 $\downarrow$

$$0 = \partial_t P = -\partial_x (v(x) P) + \frac{1}{\kappa} \partial_x^2 (\gamma P) \Rightarrow P(x) \sim e^{-N\phi(x)}$$

$$0 = v \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \gamma \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}$$

Recall

$$H = \hat{x} v(x) + \hat{x} \gamma \hat{x}$$

$$H[x, \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}] = 0$$

$\hat{x}$
momentum at
the end of the
path

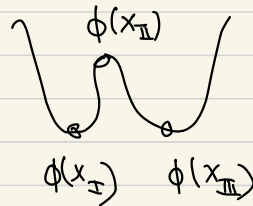
$$S = \int_0^{t_F} dt (x - v(x)) \frac{1}{4\gamma} \underbrace{(x - v(x))}_{\eta \Rightarrow \hat{x}} = \int_0^{t_F} dt \hat{x} \gamma \hat{x}$$

$$\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^0 dt' \dot{x} \ddot{x}$$

Ended: Single fixed point



Metastable

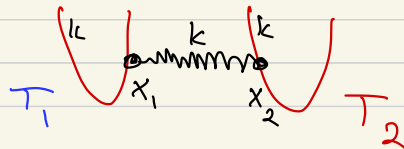


In equilibrium - trajectory uphill time reversed version of the downhill trajectory

$$\dot{x} = -v(x) \rightarrow \text{down}$$

$$\dot{x} = v(x) \rightarrow \text{uphill}$$

Homework



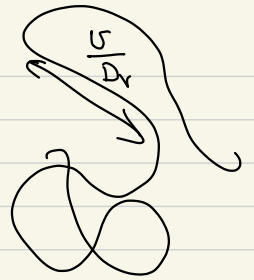
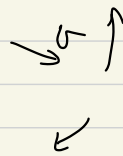
$$\dot{x}_1 = -\mu k x_1 + \mu k (x_2 - x_1) + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{11}}{N}} \eta_1(t)$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\mu k x_2 + \mu k (x_1 - x_2) + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{22}}{N}} \eta_2(t)$$

$$\langle \eta_i(t) \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \eta_i(t) \eta_j(t') \rangle = \delta_{ij} \delta(t-t')$$

Active escape problems

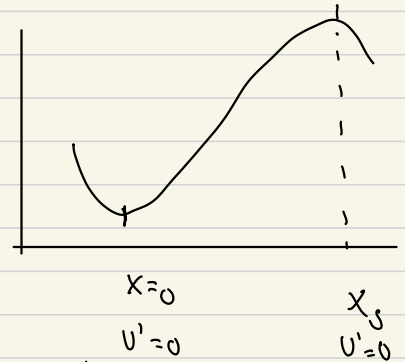
Active Ornstein-Uhlenbeck particle



$$\dot{x} = v - v'(x)$$

$$\tau \dot{v} = -v + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t)$$

$$\langle v(t) v(t') \rangle = \frac{D}{\tau} e^{-(t-t')/\tau}$$



$$\tilde{\rho} = \frac{\tau \dot{v} + v}{\sqrt{2D}}$$

Note $\tau=0$ $v = \sqrt{2D} \xi(t) \Rightarrow$ equilibrium problem

$$\tau=0 \quad \dot{x} = -v'(x) + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t)$$

Evaluate prob to cross barrier

$$e^{-\Phi(x_s)/D}$$

$$P_{TR} \sim \int D x D v e^{-\frac{1}{D} S(x, v)}$$

$$S(x, v) = \int_{-\infty}^0 L(x, v, \dot{x}, \dot{v}) dt$$

$$L(x, v, \dot{x}, \dot{v}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} (\tau \dot{v} + v)^2 & \text{if } v = \dot{x} + v'(x) \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

If wanted could enforce δ function on $v = \dot{x} + \dots$

$$L(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\underbrace{\dot{x} + v'(x)}_v + \tau \underbrace{(\ddot{x} + \dot{x} v''(x))}_{\dot{v}} \right)^2$$

$$P_{T2} = \left\langle \int D x D v \delta(\dot{x} - v + v'(x)) \delta(\tau \dot{v} + v - \sqrt{2\omega} \xi(t)) \right\rangle_{\xi}$$

$$= \left\langle \int D x D v D p_x D p_v e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} \{ p_x (\dot{x} - v + v') + p_v (\tau \dot{v} + v - \sqrt{2\omega} \xi(t)) \}} \right\rangle_{\xi(t)}$$

$$= \int D x D v D p_x D p_v e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} \{ p_x \dot{x} + p_v \dot{v} - H \}}$$



$$H(x, v, p_x, p_v) = (v - v'(x)) p_x - \frac{v p_v}{\tau} + \frac{p_v^2}{\tau^2} \quad \begin{matrix} \lambda=0 \\ x=0 \end{matrix}$$

Boundary conditions

$$x(t) = 0 \quad v(t), p_x(t), p_v(t) \rightarrow 0 \quad \begin{matrix} t = -\infty \\ t \rightarrow \infty \end{matrix}$$

$$x(0) = x_s$$

To select velocity at end have to choose the velocity that minimizes the action

$$\partial_v S = 0 = p_v \rightarrow \text{momentum at the end of the process is zero}$$

$$\text{Note } H=0 \text{ at } t=0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{p}_x &= v'' p_x \\ \dot{p}_v &= \frac{p_v}{\tau} - p_x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= v - v' \\ \dot{v} &= -\frac{v}{\tau} + 2 \frac{p_x}{\tau} \end{aligned}$$

$$H = (v - v') p_x - \cancel{\frac{v p_v}{\tau}} + \cancel{\frac{p_v^2}{\tau^2}} \Rightarrow v = v' \text{ at } t=0$$

$$\dot{x} = v - v'$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 0$$

For general $\tau \Rightarrow$ hard problem

$\Rightarrow$ perturbative solution in small τ

$$S(x, v) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 (\tau \dot{v} + v)^2 dt \quad \text{s.t.} \quad v = \dot{x} + v'(x)$$

$$= S_0 + \tau S_1 + \tau^2 S_2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 v^2 dt$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^0 v \dot{v} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 \dot{v}^2 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} v(0)^2$$

$$v(0) = v' = 0$$

No terms prop τ

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \tilde{x}_0(t) + \tau^2 \tilde{x}_2(t) + \dots$$

$$\Phi_{\tau}(x_s) = \Phi_0(x_s) + \tau^2 \Phi_2(x_s)$$

Zeroth order $\tau=0 \Rightarrow$ eq.

downhill $\dot{\tilde{x}}_0 = -U'(\tilde{x}_0(t))$

uphill $\dot{\tilde{x}}_0 = U'(\tilde{x}_0(t))$

Plug into S_0

$$S_0 = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 \dot{U}^2 dt = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 (\dot{\tilde{x}}_0 + U'(\tilde{x}_0(t)))^2 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 (2U'(\tilde{x}_0(t)))^2 dt$$

$$dt = \frac{d\tilde{x}_0}{|U'|} = \int_0^{x_s} U'(y) dy = U(x_s) - U(0)$$

$$P_{TR} \sim e^{-\frac{1}{D}(U(x_s) - U(0))}$$



Next order $\Phi_2(x_s)$

$$\Phi(x_s) = \int_0^{\frac{\delta S_0}{\delta x}[\tilde{x}_0(t)]} \tilde{x}_2(t) dt + S_2[\tilde{x}_0(t)]$$

$$\Phi_2(x_s) = S_2(\tilde{x}_0(t)) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^0 \dot{\tilde{x}}_0^2 dt$$

recall

$$U_0 = \dot{\tilde{x}}_0 + U'(\tilde{x}_0) = 2U'(\tilde{x}_0)$$

$$\dot{U}_0 = 2U''(\tilde{x}_0)\dot{\tilde{x}}_0 = 2U''(\tilde{x}_0)U'(\tilde{x}_0)$$

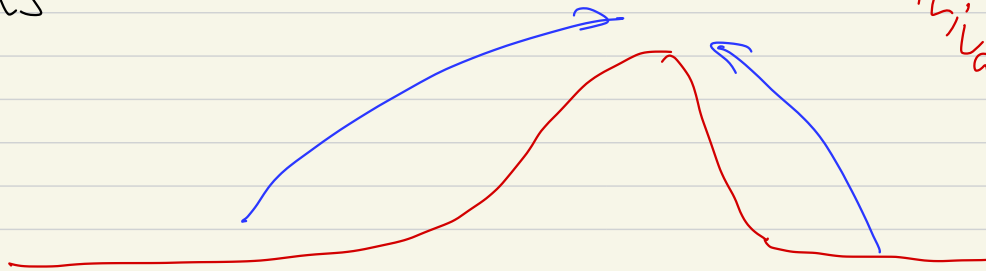
$$\Phi_2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (v''(x_0) v'(x_0))^2 dt = \int_0^{x_s} (v''(y))^2 v'(y) dy$$

$dt \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{dx}{|v'|}$

$$\Phi_2 = \int_0^{x_s} (v''(y))^2 v'(y) dy$$

Non-local
because
not a full
derivative!

Ratchets



Harmonic potential $\rightarrow$ solved exactly (any τ)
 $T(k)$

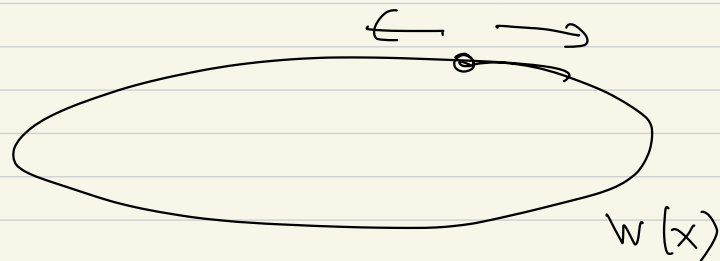
$\tau \rightarrow \infty$ limit can do calculation

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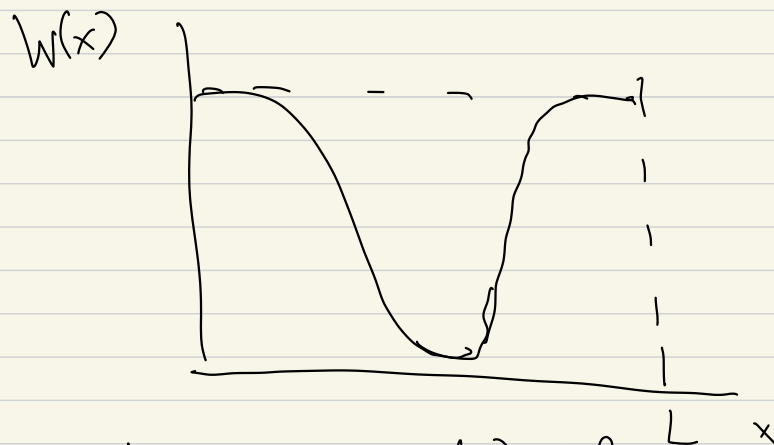
Bray & McKane 90s

Q: how different are prob. dist out of eq. vs in eq.

- Non-local (potential)
- Even if eqs of motion are smooth
 $\rightarrow$ LDF can be singular



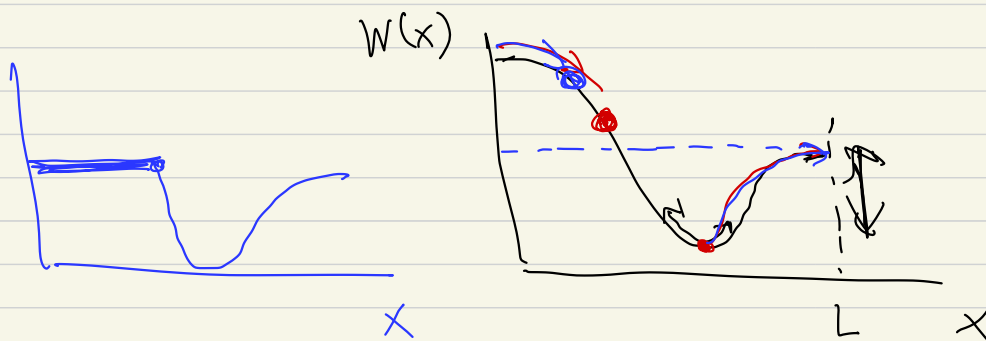
$$\dot{x} = \mu f - \mu \partial_x W(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{N}} \eta(t)$$



Effective potential

$$W(x) - f x$$

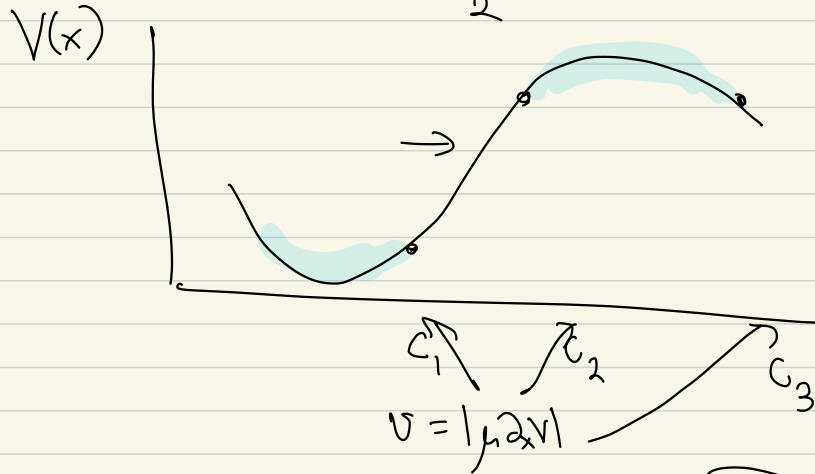
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$$e^{-N\phi}$$

Escape Run and Tumble

$$\dot{x} = -\mu \partial_x V + \underbrace{v}_{\pm 1} \underbrace{\hat{u}}_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t)$$



$$L = \frac{1}{4} (\dot{x} + \mu \partial_x V - v \hat{u})^2$$

add randomness
in u

$$P_{TR} = \int \mathcal{D}x \mathcal{D}\hat{u} e^{-\frac{1}{b} \int_{-\infty}^0 L dt} P(u)$$

$$\Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{4} (\dot{x} - \underbrace{\mu \partial_x V}_{V(x) - v/\mu x} - v)^2$$

$$\Phi = \mu [V(c_2) - V(c_1)] - v (c_2 - c_1)$$

function of v

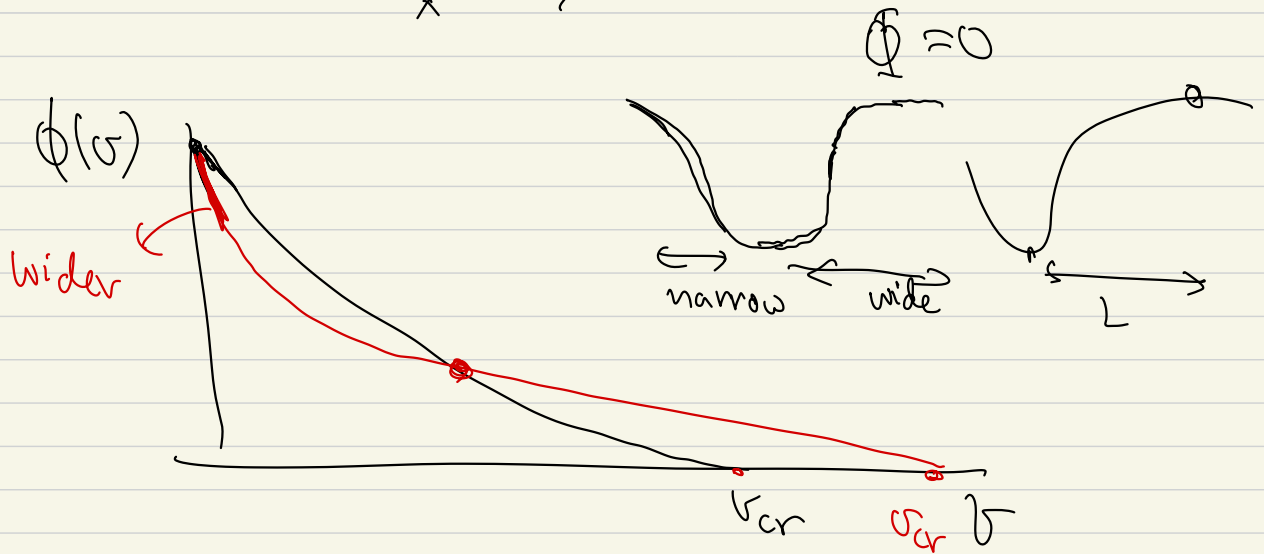
$$\phi(v) = \mu [V(c_2(v)) - V(c_1(v))] - v (c_2(v) - c_1(v))$$

$v=0$ Kramers $\mu (V(c_2) - V(c_1))$

$\rightarrow$ top $\rightarrow$ bottom

$$\phi'(v) = -(c_2 - c_1) \rightarrow \text{monotonically decreasing function}$$

$$v > v_{cr} = \max_x \{ \mu |V'(x)| \} \text{ where beyond point}$$



$$e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} \tau_{int}}$$

$$\left(\vec{\tau} \right) e^{-\frac{1}{D} \Phi}$$

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