

L26 - H Theorem.

→ To H-Theorem!

→ Recall:

- Hamiltonian system
- Non-dissipative interactions
- From Liouville (for $N \sim N_A \gg 1$)
to Boltzmann: BBGKY

→ key is diluteness ordering

$$d \ll \bar{n}^{-1/3} \ll \ell_{\text{mfp}} \ll L$$

→ Molecular chaos Assumption
Detailed Balance

→ f^N eqn. → $f^{(1)}$ eqn.

⇒ Boltzmann Equation.

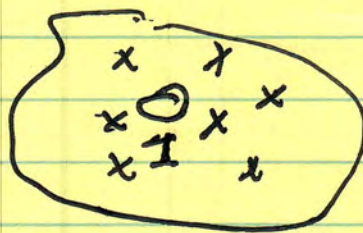
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \underline{\nabla} f = C(f)$$

↓
collision operator

$$C(f) = \int d\Gamma_2 \frac{\partial V_{12}}{\partial \underline{v}_1} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{p}_1} [f(\underline{v}_2) f(\underline{v}_1)]$$

↓
Nonlinear

in reality,
every particle (DOF)
is both a
test particle and
a field particle



$O \rightarrow$ test particle
 $x \rightarrow$ field particles

~ H-Theorem:

- What does it say/mean?

- What makes it remarkable?

- What does it rest upon?
(Assumptions)

- How to prove?

Onward :

- Can also write Boltzmann Equation as change in occupation of 'state' $\leftrightarrow P$

i.e. [consider as hard sphere collisions]

$\frac{d f(P)}{dt}$ = rate of change of f due collisions (interactions)

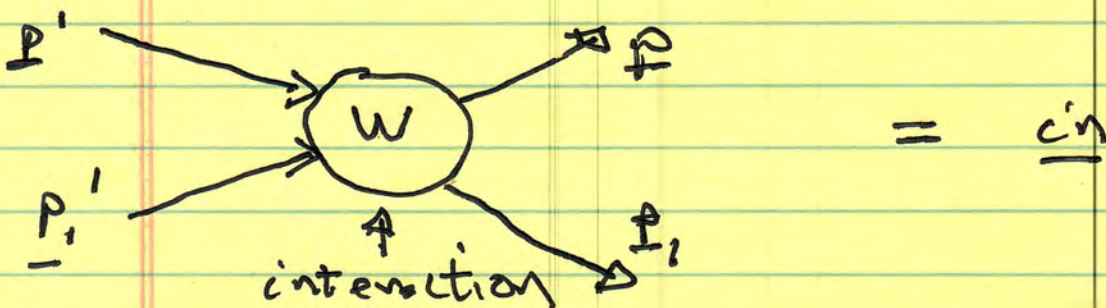
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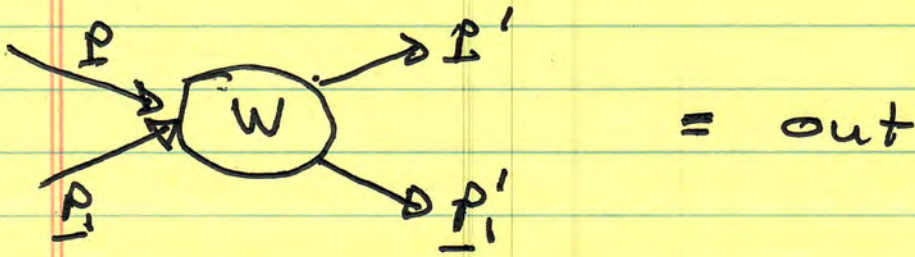
$\frac{d f(P)}{dt}$ = rate scattering in

- rate scattering out

(anticipates Master Equation)

in, out ? :





$$\text{in} = \int dP' \int dP_1' \int dP_1 F(P') F(P_1') W(P', P_1'; P, P_1)$$

$$\text{out} = \int dP_1 \int dP' \int dP_1' F(P) F(P_1) W(P, P_1; P', P_1')$$

as $W = W^T$ (reversible micro-dynamics)

$$\frac{dF(P)}{dt} = \int dP_1 \int dP' \int dP_1' W(P, P_1; P', P_1') * (F(P') F(P_1') - F(P_1) F(P))$$

N.B. - $P + P_1 = P' + P_1'$

so detailed balance applies.

$$- P = f_0 = C \exp\left[-\frac{(E + P \cdot V)}{T}\right]$$

$\int_{\Omega} C(f_0) = 0$ conservation $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{energy} \\ \text{momentum} \end{array} \right.$

and will show Maxwellian renders $dS/dt = 0$.

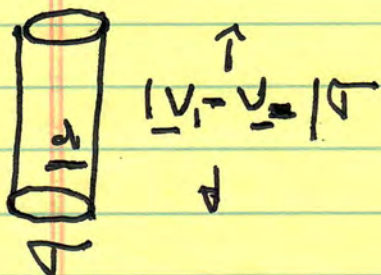
N.B. - What about $V_{1,2}(\underline{x})$?

\Rightarrow Stoßzahlensatz

L. Boltzmann

total # $(\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2)$ collisions taking place
in dt

= (Volume of $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2$ collision cylinder)
* (# of particles with \underline{v}_1 , per volume)



in collision cylinder

$$= \int \sigma v_{rel} f(\underline{v}_1) d^3 v_1$$

$$\sigma \sim d^2$$

and:

- dilute: non-overlapping cylinders

- collisions as 'point events' (*)

$d < \bar{r} < l_{mp}$ ordering!

Also: $\left[\int_{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2} d^3 \underline{v}_1 d^3 \underline{v}_2 \right]$
+ integrates.

- $w d^3 \underline{v}'_1 d^3 \underline{v}'_2 = v_{rel} d\Gamma$

relates transition (probability) to familiar items like cross-section.

- $l_{mp}, l_{mp} = 1/n\bar{v}$

Onward: \Rightarrow H-Theorem.

- a gas left alone, will evolve to an equilibrium of maximal entropy.

- evolution accompanied by entropy production

ie. $\frac{dS}{dt} \geq 0$

- evolution is to uniform Maxwellian
- Ideal gas:

$$S = \int dx \int dp f \ln(e/f) \quad (\text{discussed later})$$

$$= - \int dx \int dp f \ln f$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = - \int d\Gamma \left[\frac{df}{dt} \ln f + f \frac{1}{f} \frac{df}{dt} \right]$$

$$= - \int d\Gamma \left[C(f) \ln f + C(f) \right]$$

$$\int d\Gamma C(f) = 0 \quad \text{show!}$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = - \int d\Gamma C(f) \ln f$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = - \int dx \int dp \int dp_i \int dp'_i \int dp'_i (\ln f) W * (f(p') f(p'_i) - f(p) f(p_i))$$

Lemma



$$\int U(p) C(p) dp = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4 p (U + U_i - U' - U'_i) * W f' f'_i$$

explicitly:

$$\int dp U(p) C(p) = \textcircled{1}$$

$$\int U W(p, p_i; p', p'_i) f' f'_i d^4 p$$

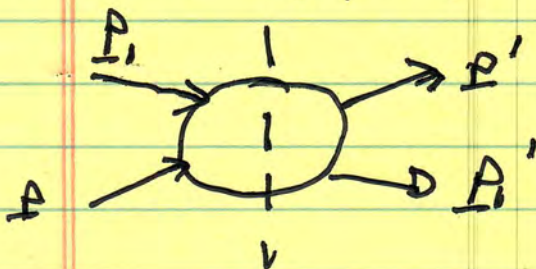
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$$- \int U W(p', p'_i; p, p_i) f f_i d^4 p$$

To show:

Now, on $\textcircled{2}$:

→ interchange $p, p_i \leftrightarrow p', p'_i$



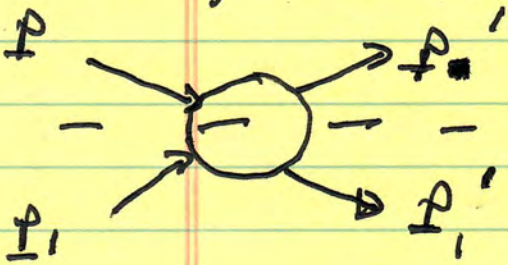
flip about;
use $W = W^T$
micro-reversibility

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$$\int dP \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A})$$

$$= \int d^4 P \left\{ (\mathcal{L}(P) - \mathcal{L}(P')) W(P, P'; P', P') \right\}$$

→ now, consider:



and interchange about

d.e. P, P' with P_1, P_1'

n.b.: up-down symmetry
equivalent
(no reason \leftrightarrow)

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$$\int dP \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A}) \mathcal{L} = \int d^4 P \left\{ (\mathcal{L}(P) - \mathcal{L}(P')) \right. \\ \left. + \mathcal{L}(P_1) - \mathcal{L}(P_1') \right\} W P' P_1'$$

Proves Lemma 1

Now, let $\mathcal{L} = \ln f$

so, from Lemma:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dt} &= -\frac{1}{2} \int d\underline{x} \int d^4 p \left(\ln f + \ln f_i - \ln f' \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \ln f'_i \right) w f' f'_i \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\underline{x} \int d^4 p w f' f'_i \ln (f' f'_i / f f_i) \end{aligned}$$

define $x = f' f'_i / f f_i$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \int d\underline{x} \int d^4 p w f f_i x \ln x$$

Since: $\int C(f) d^D = 0$

have $\int w f f_i (x - 1) d^4 p d\underline{x} = 0$

→ a case of writing zero in a complicated way!

so adding 0 to dS/dt expression:

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \int dx w F_1 [x \ln x - x + 1]$$

→ entropy production rate.

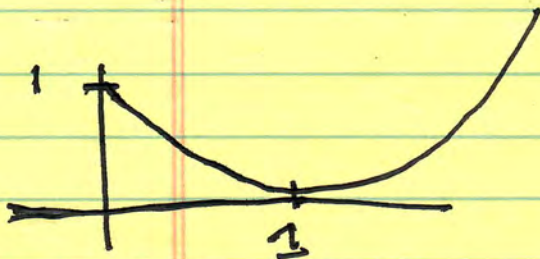
Then

$$F(x) = x \ln x - x + 1$$

$$F'(x) = 1 + \ln x - 1$$

$$F(1) = 0$$

$$F''(1) = 0$$



so $\boxed{\frac{dS}{dt} \geq 0}$! → H-Theorem!

Now, $\left. \frac{dS}{dt} = 0 \right\}$ for $x=1$

$$F F_i = F' f_i'$$

$$\ln f + \ln f_i = \ln f' + \ln f_i'$$

$\Rightarrow \ln f + \ln f_i$ conserved
in
collision

$$\Leftrightarrow \ln f = c + p \cdot \underline{V} - \alpha \epsilon$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Maxwellian Distribution}$$

Note:

1.) keys: $W = W^T \rightarrow$ Detailed Balance

$f(1,2) = f(1)f(2)$ factorization.
(Molecular chaos)

2.) $\frac{dS}{dt} = 0 \Leftrightarrow CCF = 0$

collisions drive system to equilibrium.

3) dx irrelevant!

Entropy produced locally.

i.e. F relaxes to local Maxwellian,
then to uniform Maxwellian

(i.e. transport: $T(x) \rightarrow \overline{T(x)}$)

Essence of H-Theorem:

Macroscopic irreversibility from
microscopically reversible dynamics

* Molecular chaos ("micro-chaos").

→ some observations:

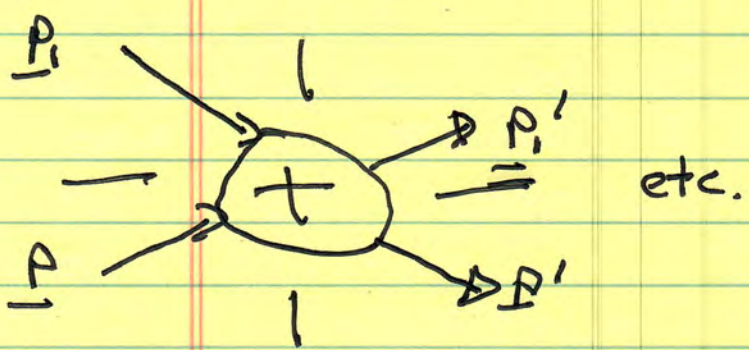
① - If no a-priori concept/idea of equilibrium distribution, how derive it?

Recall: $\frac{dS}{dt} = 0$, for $x = 1$

$x = 1 \Rightarrow f' f_i' = f f_i$

$\ln f' + \ln f_i' = \ln f + \ln f_i$

as labels in collision arbitrary, i.e.



so $\ln f + \ln f_i = \text{const.}$ sum logs conserved

What is conserved? (Dynamically):

- energy (kinetic energy / particle)
- momentum
- number

or

$\ln f$ can be expressed as a linear combination of conserved quantities

$$\ln F = a + \underline{b} \cdot p + c \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

$c < 0$ for normalizability

N.B.: Angular momenta not independent as collision event at 1 position.

\Rightarrow

$$f = c' \left[\frac{-p^2}{2mT} + \frac{p \cdot \underline{V}}{T} \right]$$

$$c' \sim n$$

n, T, V can be $n(x), T(x), V(x)$ can all be functions of \underline{x} for $\text{length} \ll L$

Thus, derived equilibrium distribution function from H-Thm.

② How reconcile?

- reversible, Hamiltonian dynamics
- $dS/dt \geq 0$.

Related: What happened to Poincare Recurrence?

Poinc:

- statistical description: $f(x, p, t)$

- Coarse Graining :

(recall Lyapunov exponents)



→ partition

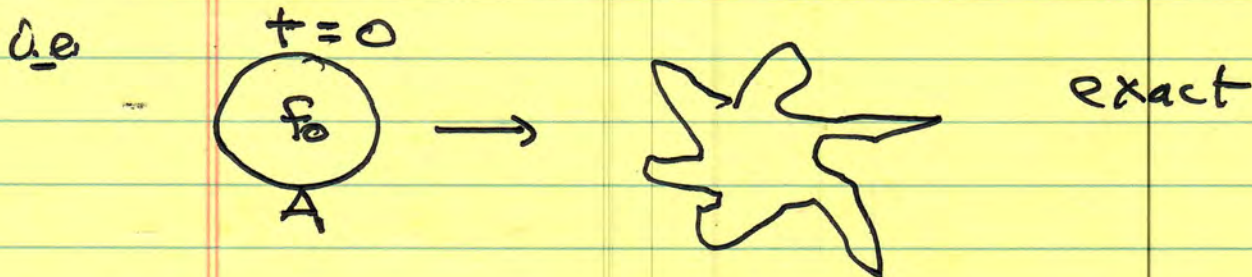
$\Delta z \Delta p$

→ sets resolution scale.

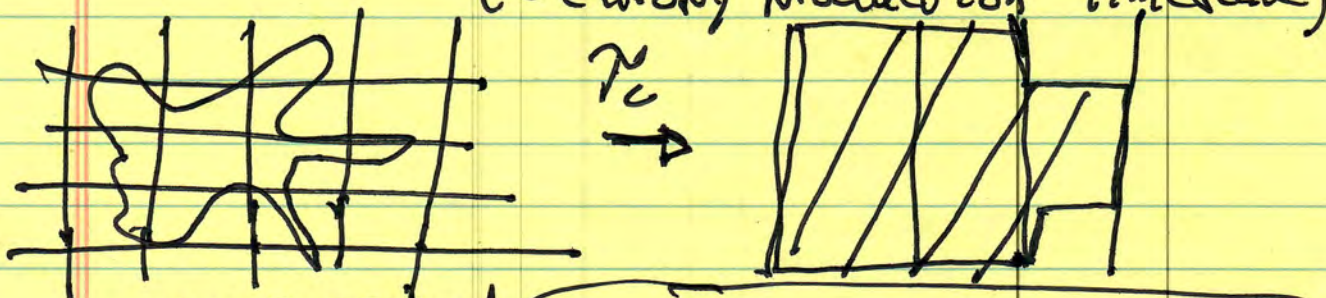
(S is integrated quantity)

Why Significant?

→ partition kills small details in phase volume evolution



With coarse graining (smearing) (entropy production timescale)



critical
coarse grained area

local phase space density modified by coarse graining

$$f_0 A_0 = A_{CG} \bar{f}$$

$$\bar{f} = f_0 A_0 / A_{CG}$$

→ coarse grained distribution

$$\bar{f} < f_0 \quad \text{as} \quad A_0 < A_{CG}$$

So

- prediction of close recurrences impossible, as partition sets resolution limit.

N.B.: $\Delta_{\text{MSP}} = 1/n\Delta$

$$\gamma_c^{-1} = \nu_c \cong \nu_{\text{th}} / \Delta_{\text{MSP}}$$

etc