

Introduction to Superstatistics

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. Introduction

**Complex systems in nonequilibrium states
exhibit hierarchical structures of dynamics
that may be decomposed into different
dynamics on different time scales.**

Essential Difficulty in Describing **Nonequilibrium** **Stationary States of Complex Systems**

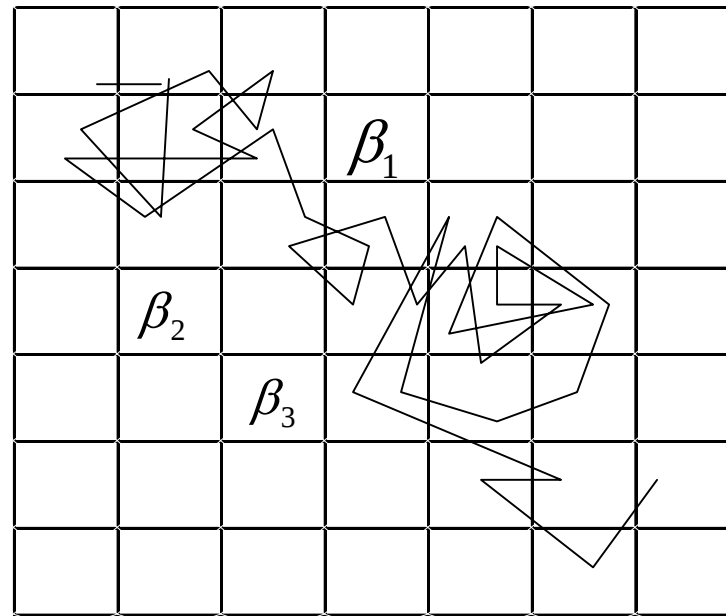
- Both **dynamics** and **historical details** matter:
(long-time memory, non-Markovian)
- In **equilibrium**, there is the one and only “ensemble”:
(homogeneity)

A traditional way of treating a nonequilibrium system

- **Divide it into small cells**
- **Each cell still contains enough number of elements
(i.e., the large-enough degrees of freedom)**
- **Each cell is assumed to be in local equilibrium**

. Brownian Motion in Fluctuating Background

Brownian particle in a turbulent flow
Division of System in **Real Space**



(each cell in local equilibrium)

- Slowly changing local temperature β^{-1}

- Langevin equation of the particle

$$\frac{dv(t)}{dt} = -\gamma v(t) + \sigma \eta(t) \quad (\eta: \text{noise}, \beta = \gamma / \sigma^2: \text{assumption})$$

- β, γ : **fluctuating**

(time-scale of γ -fluctuation)

$\ll$ (time-scale of β -fluctuation)

**Thus, the Brownian particle experiences
two widely-separated time scales.**

Probability of Finding the Particle in $v \sim v+dv$ at Time t

$$p(v,t)dv = dv \int d\beta f(\beta) p(v,t|\beta)$$

where

$p(v,t|\beta)$: Probability Distribution at Fixed β

$f(\beta)$: Distribution of β

- **Superensemble and Superstatistics**

Another Approach

S : Objective System

$S_2, S_3, \dots$: Replicas of S

$S = \{S_1 \equiv S, S_2, S_3, \dots\}$: Supersystem

	S_1, β_1					
			S_2, β_2			
		S_3, β_3				

Different Equilibria

**Heat + Energy + Particle Exchanges
between the Members**



“Superensemble”

cf. “hyperensemble”

G. E. Crooks, Phys. Rev. E 75, 041119 (2007).

	β_1	

	β'_1	

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Superensemble

Superstatistics as “Statistics of Superensemble”

Stationary Distribution

$$p(\varepsilon_i) = \int d\beta f(\beta) \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} e^{-\beta \varepsilon_i}$$

Anticipation: G. Wilk and Z. Włodarczyk, Phys. Rev. Lett. 84, 2770 (2000);

A. G. Bashkirov and A. D. Sukhanov, JETP 95, 440 (2002).

Formulation: C. Beck and E. G. D. Cohen, Physica A 322, 267 (2003).

where

$f(\beta)$: Distribution of (Inverse) temperature Fluctuations

$Z(\beta) = \sum_i e^{-\beta \varepsilon_i}$: “Local” or “global” Partition Function

. Conditional Thermodynamics

S. A., C. Beck, and E. G. D. Cohen, Phys. Rev. E 76, 031102 (2007);
see also, S. A., Cent. Eur. J. Phys. 7, 401 (2009).

Fast Relaxation to Local/Global Equilibrium



Boltzmann-Gibbs Distribution as a **Conditional Probability**

$$p(\varepsilon_i|\beta) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} e^{-\beta \varepsilon_i}$$

Joint Probability Distribution

$$P(\varepsilon_i, \beta) = p(\varepsilon_i | \beta) f(\beta)$$

Joint Entropy

$$\begin{aligned} S[E, B] &= - \sum_i \int d\beta P(\varepsilon_i, \beta) \ln P(\varepsilon_i, \beta) \\ &= S[E | B] + S[B] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S[E|B] = \int d\beta f(\beta) S[E|\beta]: \quad \text{Conditional Entropy}$$

$$\text{with} \quad S[E|\beta] = -\sum_i p(\varepsilon_i|\beta) \ln p(\varepsilon_i|\beta)$$

and

$$S[B] = -\int d\beta f(\beta) \ln f(\beta): \quad \text{Marginal Entropy}$$

Substitution of $p(\varepsilon_i|\beta)=\frac{1}{Z(\beta)}e^{-\beta\varepsilon_i}$



$$S[E, B]=\overline{\beta U(\beta)+\ln Z(\beta)}+S[B]$$

where

$$\overline{Q(\beta)}\equiv\int d\beta Q(\beta) f(\beta)$$

$$U(\beta)=\sum_i \varepsilon_i p(\varepsilon_i|\beta): \text{ Internal Energy in Each "Cell"}$$

That is,

β -Fluctuations: **Quenched** Disorder

N.B.,

$$\begin{aligned} S[E, B] &= \overline{\beta U(\beta) + \ln Z(\beta)} + S[B] \\ &= \overline{\beta [U(\beta) - F(\beta)]} + S[B] \end{aligned}$$

$(F(\beta) = -(1/\beta) \ln Z(\beta))$: **“Local” Free Energy**

[Systematic Corrections to Boltzmann-Gibbs Theory]

- The Case of No Temperature Variations:

$$f(\beta) = \delta(\beta - \beta_0)$$



Ordinary Equilibrium Thermodynamics Recovered
(after Regularization of $S[B]$)

- **The Case of Sharply Peaked $f(\beta)$ around β_0 :**

Write: $\overline{\beta U(\beta)} = c \sum_i \int d\beta \tilde{f}(\beta) \varepsilon_i e^{-\beta \varepsilon_i}$

where

$$\tilde{f}(\beta) = \frac{\beta}{c Z(\beta)} f(\beta) \quad \text{with} \quad c \equiv \int d\beta \beta \frac{f(\beta)}{Z(\beta)}.$$

$$\therefore \quad \overline{\beta U(\beta)} = c \sum_i \varepsilon_i B(\varepsilon_i)$$

with the **Generalized Boltzmann Factor**

$$B(\varepsilon_i) = \int d\beta \tilde{f}(\beta) e^{-\beta \varepsilon_i}$$

which behaves as

$$B(\varepsilon_i) = e^{-\beta_0 \varepsilon_i} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \varepsilon_i^2 + \dots \right) \quad (\sigma^2: \text{Variance of } \beta)$$

Thus,

$$\overline{\beta U(\beta)} = c \sum_i \varepsilon_i e^{-\beta_0 \varepsilon_i} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \varepsilon_i^2 + \dots \right)$$

$$= c \langle E \rangle + \frac{c}{2} \sigma^2 \langle E^2 \rangle + \dots$$

where

$$\langle E^m \rangle \equiv \sum_i \varepsilon_i^m e^{-\beta_0 \varepsilon_i} \quad (m=1,2,3,\dots)$$

Primary Problem

How is it possible to determine $f(\beta)$, given a system?

. Generalized Einstein Relation

Determination of the Distribution of Temperature Fluctuations by Maximum Entropy Principle(?)

CONDITIONAL MAXIMIZATION OF ENTROPY

$$\delta_f \left\{ S[E, B] - \alpha \left(\int d\beta f(\beta) - 1 \right) \right\} = 0$$

(α : Lagrange Multiplier)



Generalization of Einstein's Theory of Fluctuations:

$$f(\beta) = \text{const} \cdot \exp\{S[E|\beta]\}$$

where

$$S[E|\beta] \equiv \beta U(\beta) + \ln Z(\beta)$$

Remark:

Imposing an Additional Constraint on $Q(\beta)$



$$f(\beta) = \text{const} \cdot \exp\{S[E|\beta] - \lambda Q(\beta)\}$$

Example 1: Superstatistical Brownian Particles

**Given Local (Inverse) Temperature,
the Conditional Probability of
Finding the Velocities of
 n Particles, $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$, in a Cell:**

Local Maxwellian

$$p(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n | \beta) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \exp \left[-\frac{\beta}{2} (\mathbf{v}_1^2 + \mathbf{v}_2^2 + \dots + \mathbf{v}_n^2) \right]$$

$$\beta \in [\beta_{\min}, \beta_{\max}]$$

If There are No Additional Constraints,

then

$$f(\beta) \sim \beta^{-3n/2}$$

$$(\beta \in [\beta_{\min}, \beta_{\max}])$$

A Pure Power Law

Example 2: A Superstatistical Gas

(with unit mass in volume V_0)

Again “Local” Maxwellian

$$p(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n | \beta) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \exp \left[-\frac{\beta}{2} (\mathbf{v}_1^2 + \mathbf{v}_2^2 + \dots + \mathbf{v}_n^2) \right]$$

$$Z(\beta) = \frac{V_0}{n!} \left(\frac{2\pi}{h^2 \beta} \right)^{3n/2}$$

Internal Energy: $U(\beta) = \frac{3n}{2\beta}$

Take: $Q(\beta) = U(\beta)$



$$f(\beta) = \text{const} \cdot \beta^{-3n/2} \exp\left(-\lambda \frac{3n}{2\beta}\right)$$

Inverse χ^2 -Distribution Peaked at $\beta = \lambda$,
(Normalizable over the Whole Range of $\beta \geq 0$)

Remark: χ^2 –Distribution of $f(\beta)$
 $\Rightarrow$ the q –Exponential Distribution of
the Tsallis Type

- **Log-Normal Superstatistics
from Entropy Fluctuations**

Application of **Fluctuation Theorem to
Deriving Statistics of Fluctuations**

S. A., Phys. Rev. E 82, 011131 (2010).

Locally,

$$\Delta S_{\text{tot}} = \Delta S[E|\beta) + \Delta S_s$$

where

$$\Delta S[E|\beta) = S[E|\beta) - S_0$$

(S_0 : reference value)

&

ΔS_s : Entropy Change of Surroundings

Fluctuation Theorem

$$\frac{P(-\Delta S_{\text{tot}})}{P(\Delta S_{\text{tot}})} = e^{-\Delta S_{\text{tot}}}$$

G. Gallavotti and E. G. D. Cohen, Phys. Rev. Lett. 74, 2694 (1995);
U. Seifert, Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 040602 (2005).

- **Write**

$$P(\Delta S_{\text{tot}}) = e^{\Omega(\Delta S_{\text{tot}})}$$

Assume ΔS_{tot} to not be so large.

$$\Omega(\Delta S_{\text{tot}}) \cong a_0 + a_1 \Delta S_{\text{tot}} + \frac{a_2}{2} (\Delta S_{\text{tot}})^2$$

(Gaussian Approximation)

where

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{2} \quad \& \quad a_2 \equiv -2\lambda \quad (\lambda > 0)$$



$$f(\beta) \equiv \left| dS[E|\beta] / d\beta \right| \times P(\Delta S_{\text{tot}})$$

$$\sim \exp \left\{ \kappa S[E|\beta] - \lambda S^2[E|\beta] \right\}$$

In many cases, $S[E|\beta] \sim \ln \beta$.



Log-Normal Superstatistics

Example: Fully-Developed Turbulence

- Longitudinal Velocity Difference

$$\delta v_r \equiv \mathbf{e}_r \cdot [\mathbf{v}(x+r) - \mathbf{v}(x)] \quad (\mathbf{e}_r = \mathbf{r}/r, \quad r = |\mathbf{r}|)$$

- Energy Dissipation Rate ε ($\leftrightarrow \beta$)

A. N. Kolmogorov (1961), A. M. Oboukhov (1962).

- (i) **Given ε , δv_r distributes according to the Gaussian;**
(experimental facts!).

$$p(\delta v_r | \varepsilon) \sim \exp \left[-\frac{(\delta v_r)^2}{(r \varepsilon)^{2/3}} \right]$$

- (ii) **Ansatz: ε obeys the log-normal distribution;**
cascading as an independent multiplicative process.

$$f(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\lambda \varepsilon)^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{(\ln \varepsilon - m)^2}{2\lambda^2} \right] \quad (m, \lambda: \text{constants})$$

Log-Normal Superstatistics

$$p(\delta v_r) = \int d\varepsilon f(\varepsilon) p(\delta v_r | \varepsilon)$$

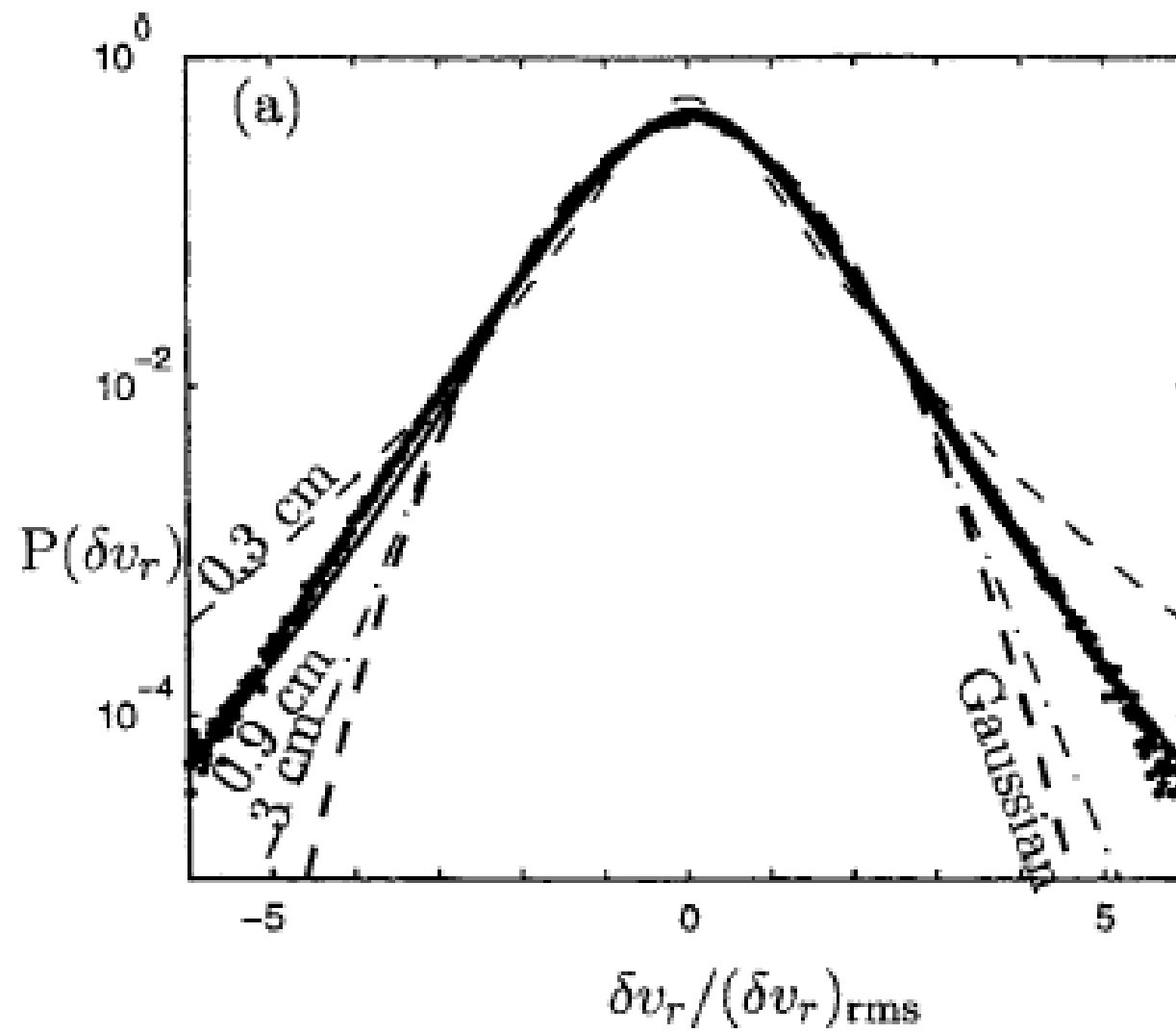
Comparison with Experiment of the Couette-Taylor Flow

S. Jung and H. L. Swinney, Phys. Rev. E 72, 026304 (2005);

E. Van der Straeten and C. Beck, Phys. Rev. E 78, 051101 (2008).

$$R_e = \frac{VL}{\nu} \cong 540000, \quad r = 0.134 \text{ cm}$$

$$(V = \Omega_a a, \quad \Omega_a = 8 \times 2\pi \text{ rad/s}, \quad L = b - a, \quad a = 15.999 \text{ cm}, \quad b = 22.085 \text{ cm})$$



. Conclusion

- **Large Separation of Two Time Scales in Nonequilibrium Stationary States of Complex Systems**
- **Superstatistics Based on Superensemble**
- **Conditional Thermo-Superstatistics**
- **Conditional Maximization of Entropy, Generalization of Einstein's Relation, and Determination of Distribution of Temperature Fluctuations**

- **Quantum (Field) Theory: Straightforward**
- **Applications to High Energy Physics (QGP, etc.):
To Be Explored!**