

# Part I: Phase Transitions

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## Part II: Dynamics and Correlation Functions

### II.1 Linear Response Theory

configuration space  $\Gamma = \{ \vec{R}_i \}_{i=1..N}$

for  $N$  particles or  
phase space  $\Gamma = \{ \vec{R}_i, \vec{P}_i \}_{i=1..N}$

as equivalent of sample space in probability theory, an event is denoted  $\omega = (R_i, P_i)_{i=1..N} \in \Gamma$

canonical probability density  $g: \Gamma \rightarrow [0, \infty[$

$$g(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\{-\beta \mathcal{H}(\omega)\}$$

Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}: \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

partition sum  $Z = \int_{\Gamma} \underbrace{d\Gamma(\omega)}_{\text{phase space element}} \exp\{-\beta \mathcal{H}(\omega)\} < \infty$

probability measure  $\mathbb{P}: \mathcal{F}(\text{Borel sets of } \Gamma) \rightarrow [0, 1]$

$$\mathbb{P}[F] = \int_F g(\omega) d\Gamma(\omega)$$

and  $\mathbb{P}[\Gamma] = 1$  by construction

random variables  $X: \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  phase space function  
 $\hookrightarrow$  observable of theory

canonical expectation

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \langle X \rangle := \text{Tr}(X\rho) := \int d\Gamma(\omega) X(\omega) \rho(\omega)$$

square-integrable complex random variable

$$X \in L^2(\Gamma, \rho) \text{ if } \mathbb{E}[|X|^2] < \infty$$

$L^2(\Gamma, \rho)$  is a vector space

$$- X \in L^2, \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \lambda X \in L^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$- X, Y \in L^2 \Rightarrow |X+Y|^2 \leq (|X|+|Y|)^2 \\ \leq 2^2 \max(|X|, |Y|)^2 \leq 4(|X|^2 + |Y|^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[|X+Y|^2] \leq 4(\mathbb{E}[|X|^2] + \mathbb{E}[|Y|^2]) < \infty \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{if } X, Y \in L^2 \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[X^*Y] < \infty$$

$$|X^*Y| \leq |X||Y| = \frac{1}{2}(|X|+|Y|)^2 - \frac{1}{2}|X|^2 - \frac{1}{2}|Y|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mathbb{E}[X^*Y]| \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}[|X+Y|^2] < \infty \quad \checkmark$$

Definition Inner Product

$$\langle X|Y \rangle := \mathbb{E}[X^*Y] = \langle X^*|Y \rangle$$

overlap of fluctuating variables

Definition equivalence

$$X \sim Y \text{ if } \mathbb{P}[\{\omega \in \Gamma : X(\omega) \neq Y(\omega)\}] = 0$$

i.e. random variables differ only on sets of measure zero

Theorem:  $L^2(\Gamma, \rho)$  is a Hilbert space with  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$  as its scalar product

Proof: functional analysis

- inner product linear

$$\langle X | a_1 Y_1 + a_2 Y_2 \rangle = \dots = a_1 \langle X | Y_1 \rangle + a_2 \langle X | Y_2 \rangle$$

- hermitian

$$\langle X | Y \rangle^* = E[X^* Y]^* = E[Y^* X] = \langle Y | X \rangle$$

- positive

$$\langle X | X \rangle = E[|X|^2] \geq 0 \text{ and } "=" \text{ only if } |X|^2 = 0$$

Static correlation functions are overlap matrix elements in Hilbert space.  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$  is called Overlap product,

## II. 1. A Fluctuation Response Theorem

reference system  $\sigma$

$$\rho_0 = \frac{1}{Z_0} \exp\{-\beta \mathcal{H}_0\}$$

canonical averages

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X \rangle_0 &= \text{Tr}(X \rho_0) = \int d\Gamma(\omega) X(\omega) g(\omega) \\ &= \int dP(\omega) X(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

perturbation

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 - \sum_i \alpha_i y_i^* \quad , \text{ Einstein convention}$$

$\in \mathbb{C}$  observables

$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}^*$  real  $\rightarrow$  only pairs of complex variables admissible

fluctuation around expectation

$$\delta X_i = X_i - \langle X_i \rangle_0$$

perturbed partition sum

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \text{Tr}(-\beta \mathcal{H}) = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}_0} e^{\beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0} \\ &\quad [1 + \beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)] = \\ &= Z_0 e^{\beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0} [1 + \beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \delta Y_i^* \rangle = 0$$

$$Z = Z_0 e^{\beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0} [1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)]$$

perturbed probability measure  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_0 + \delta \mathcal{P}$

with  $\delta \mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{Z_0} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}_0} [\beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)]$  yields

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}_0 \beta \alpha^i \langle Y_i^* \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$$

observable  $X$  in perturbed ensemble

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_i \rangle &= \text{Tr}(\mathcal{P} X_i) = \text{Tr}((\mathcal{P}_0 + \delta \mathcal{P}) X_i) = \\ &= \langle X_i \rangle_0 + \text{Tr}(\delta \mathcal{P} X_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \delta X_i \rangle = \beta \alpha^i \langle \delta Y_i^* X_i \rangle_0 = \beta \alpha^i \langle \delta Y_i^* \delta X_i \rangle_0$$

Fluctuation Response Theorem

$$\langle \delta X_i \rangle = \beta \alpha^i \langle \delta Y_i^* | \delta X_i \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$$

Susceptibility

$$\chi_{XY} := \partial_\alpha \langle X \rangle = \beta \langle \delta Y | \delta X \rangle_0$$

- fluctuations in equilibrium - determine response to external perturbations
- thermal energy  $\beta$  connects response (macroscopic) to fluctuations (microscopic)
- Specific heat

$$\beta_0 \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \beta \mathcal{H} \sim \beta_0 \left( \mathcal{H} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial T} T \right)$$

$$C_V = \partial_T \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle = \beta \frac{1}{T} \langle (\delta \mathcal{H})^2 \rangle_0$$

- fluctuating energy  $e(\vec{r})$  and particle density  $g(\vec{r})$ , local change in  $T$  and  $\mu$

$$\beta \mathcal{H} = \int_V d^3\vec{r} \beta e(\vec{r}) \rightarrow \int d^3\vec{r} \frac{e(\vec{r})}{k_B T(\vec{r})} - \beta \int_V d^3\vec{r} \delta \mu(\vec{r}) g(\vec{r})$$

$$= \beta \mathcal{H} - \beta \frac{1}{T} \int_V e(\vec{r}) \delta T(\vec{r}) - \beta \int_V \delta \mu(\vec{r}) g(\vec{r}) d^3\vec{r}$$

with Fourier transform  $\delta T_{\vec{q}} = \int_V d^3\vec{r} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \delta T(\vec{r})$

$$\delta T(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\vec{q}} e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \delta T_{\vec{q}}$$

$$\rightarrow \beta \mathcal{H} - \frac{\beta}{VT} \sum_{\vec{q}} \delta T_{\vec{q}} e(\vec{q})^* - \frac{\beta}{V} \sum_{\vec{q}} \delta \mu_{\vec{q}} g_{\vec{q}}^*$$

† translational invariance: different wave vectors do not couple

$$\delta X_{\vec{q}} = \frac{\beta}{V} \langle \delta e_{\vec{q}} | \delta X_{\vec{q}} \rangle_0 \frac{\delta T_{\vec{q}}}{T} + \frac{\beta}{V} \langle \delta g_{\vec{q}} | \delta X_{\vec{q}} \rangle_0 \delta \mu_{\vec{q}}$$

changes in density define

$S_q$ , static structure factor of a fluid -111-

$$\langle \delta \rho_{\vec{q}} \rangle = \frac{\beta}{V} \langle \delta e_{\vec{q}} | \delta \rho_{\vec{q}} \rangle_0 \delta T_{\vec{q}} / T + \frac{\beta}{V} \langle | \delta \rho_{\vec{q}} |^2 \rangle_0 \delta \mu_{\vec{q}}$$

$$S(\vec{q}) := \frac{1}{N} \langle | \delta \rho_{\vec{q}} |^2 \rangle_0$$

wave-number dependent compressibility

$$\chi_{i,T}(\vec{q}) = \frac{1}{\beta^2} \frac{\partial \langle \rho_{\vec{q}} \rangle}{\partial \mu_{\vec{q}}} \Big|_T = \beta S(\vec{q})$$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} S(\vec{q}) = \beta / \beta \chi_{i,T} = k_B T \partial_p S / T$$



$S_q$  measured in typical scattering experiment,  
Light, neutrons, ...