

# Lecture IV

"Big Picture" of Equilibrium & Dynamics

Topic I → Thermal Equilibrium Plasma



→ Thermal Equilibrium Plasma: Basic Ideas

- simplest possible dynamics question

⇒ What is spectrum of thermal equilibrium fluctuations in plasma?

- answer → determined by balance between

→ emission and absorption

→ Fluctuation ↔ Dissipation

What is key physics of each?

Generic Consideration

⇒ Physics of F.R.T.

Consider some simple examples:  
simplest

- particle undergoing Brownian force in fluid

→ see (a)

particle in fluid at temp T

$$m \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\gamma m \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{F}$$

$\gamma$  Stokes drag

$\mathbf{F}$  thermal fluctuations

$\mathbf{F}$  → random (statistics) so uncorrelated in time

$$\langle \tilde{\mathbf{F}}(t_1) \tilde{\mathbf{F}}(t_2) \rangle = 2\tilde{F}_0^2 \tau_c \delta(t_1 - t_2)$$

auto-correlation function.

Notes:

- Standard notation for Stokes

drag is:

$\rightarrow$  mass of Brownian particle

$$m \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\gamma \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{f}$$

$$\gamma = 6\pi\eta a$$

$$\eta = \rho r$$

$\rightarrow$  fluid mass density

$\sigma$ , in these notes:

$\gamma \rightarrow \sigma/m$ , as write;

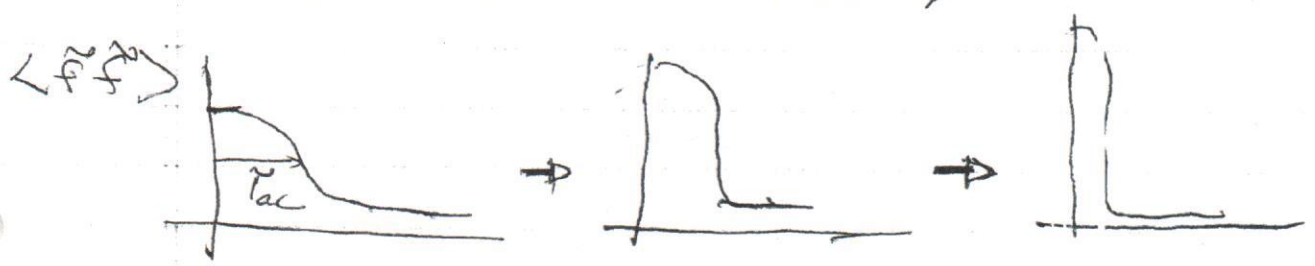
$$\left[ m \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -m(\sigma/m) \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{f} \right]$$

What is  $\tau_c$   $\rightarrow$  spectral auto-correlation time (self-coherence)

$\rightarrow$  measures self-correlation of random force.

i.e. if stationary,

$$\langle \tilde{F}(0) \tilde{F}(0) \rangle = \langle \tilde{F}(t_1) \tilde{F}(t_2) \rangle$$



$\Rightarrow$  for "white noise"  $\tau \ll$  all other time scales

now,

$$\frac{d\tilde{v}}{dt} + \gamma \tilde{v} = \frac{F(t)}{m}$$

no correlation i.e. with  $F$

$$\tilde{v}(t) = e^{-\gamma t} \tilde{v}(0) + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \frac{F(t')}{m}$$

cross terms

Now  $|\tilde{v}|^2 = e^{-2\gamma t} |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 + \langle \tilde{v} \tilde{v} \rangle + \int dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \frac{F(t')}{m} \int dt'' e^{-\gamma(t-t'')} \frac{F(t'')}{m}$

$$|\tilde{v}|^2 = e^{-2\gamma t} |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 + \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} e^{-\gamma(t-t'')} \frac{\tilde{F}(t') \tilde{F}(t'')}{m^2}$$

ensemble statistical average

$$\langle |\tilde{v}|^2 \rangle = e^{-2\gamma t} \langle |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 \rangle + \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} e^{-\gamma(t-t'')} \frac{\langle \tilde{F}(t') \tilde{F}(t'') \rangle}{m^2}$$

(2 for symmetrization)

$$= e^{-2\gamma t} \langle |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 \rangle + \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} e^{-\gamma(t-t'')} \frac{2 \langle \tilde{F}(t') \tilde{F}(t'') \rangle}{m^2}$$

$$= e^{-2\gamma t} \langle |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 \rangle + \int_0^t dt' e^{-2\gamma(t-t')} \frac{2 \langle \tilde{F}(t') \tilde{F}(t') \rangle}{m^2}$$

$$= e^{-2\gamma t} \langle |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 \rangle + e^{-2\gamma t} \frac{2 \langle \tilde{F}(0) \tilde{F}(0) \rangle}{m^2} \frac{1}{2\gamma} (e^{2\gamma t} - 1)$$

$$= e^{-2\gamma t} \langle |\tilde{v}(0)|^2 \rangle + \frac{2 \langle \tilde{F}(0) \tilde{F}(0) \rangle}{2\gamma m^2} (1 - e^{-2\gamma t})$$

so for t large ( $\gamma t \gg 1$ )

$$\langle \dot{W}^2 \rangle \approx \frac{f_0^2 \gamma_0}{\gamma m^2}$$

but  $m \frac{\langle \dot{W}^2 \rangle}{2} = T \rightarrow$  bath at T!

$$\Rightarrow T \approx \frac{f_0^2 \gamma_0}{2 \gamma m}$$

$$\frac{f_0^2 \gamma_0}{m^2} = \frac{\gamma T}{m}$$

( $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma/m$ , m's cancel)

Fluctuation-dissipation theorem

simple

d.e.  $\rightarrow$  given

- noise ( $f_0^2 \gamma_0$ )
- damping ( $\gamma$ )
- temperature ( $T$ )

must have:

$$(\text{noise}) = (\text{damping}) T$$

$\rightarrow$  given 2 of 3  $\Rightarrow$  deduce third!

$$\frac{d\tilde{v}}{dt} + \gamma\tilde{v} = \frac{F(t)}{m}$$

$\tilde{v}$   $\nearrow$  stationarity

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} \rangle + \gamma \langle \tilde{v}^2 \rangle = \langle \frac{F\tilde{v}}{m} \rangle$$

but

$$\tilde{v}(t) = e^{-\gamma t} \tilde{v}(0) + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \frac{F(t')}{m}$$

$$\langle \tilde{v}^2 \rangle = \frac{I}{m} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \langle \tilde{F} \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \frac{F(t')}{m} \rangle$$

$$\langle \tilde{F}(t) \tilde{F}(t') \rangle = |\tilde{F}|^2 \tau_c \delta(t-t')$$

$$\langle \tilde{v}^2 \rangle = \frac{I}{m} = \left(\frac{1}{\gamma}\right) \frac{|\tilde{F}|^2 \tau_c}{m^2}$$

$\langle \frac{\tilde{v}^2}{2} \rangle \tau_c = \gamma T$

$$\frac{\tilde{f}_0^2}{M} T_0 = \gamma T$$

but  $m\gamma \rightarrow \gamma'$  (usual)

$\therefore$

$$\frac{\tilde{f}_0^2}{M} T_0 = \frac{\gamma'}{M} T$$

$$\boxed{f_0^2 T_0 = \gamma' T}$$

$\leadsto$  standard form.

→ equilibrium:

→ emission by noise

→ absorption by damping

⇒ balance matches  $T \downarrow$   
 $T \oplus$  damping  $\rightarrow$  noise

note: alternatively

$$(-i\omega + \gamma) \tilde{V}_\omega = \tilde{F}_\omega / m$$

$$|\tilde{V}_\omega|^2 = \frac{|\tilde{F}_\omega|^2}{m^2 (\omega^2 + \gamma^2)}$$

White noise: spectral intensity flat

$$\int d\omega |\tilde{V}_\omega|^2 = \frac{2T}{m} = \frac{|\tilde{F}|^2}{m^2} \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega^2 + \gamma^2}$$

$$= \frac{|\tilde{F}_\omega|^2}{\gamma m^2}$$



$$\frac{|\tilde{f}_\omega|^2}{m^2} = 2\gamma \frac{T}{m}$$

→ same

→ factors ↔ normalizations

↪ noise spectral density

note

$$|\tilde{v}_\omega|^2 = \frac{|\tilde{f}_\omega|^2}{m^2}$$

response spectral density

$$\omega^2 + \gamma^2$$

↳ damping

$$= \frac{|\tilde{f}_\omega|^2}{m^2}$$

$$|\alpha(\omega)|^2$$

↳ response function

[damping ↔ width]

$$\frac{T}{m} = \int |\alpha|^2 d\omega$$

if oscillator:

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{f}{m}$$

$$|\tilde{x}_\omega|^2 = \frac{|\tilde{f}_\omega|^2}{m^2} \frac{1}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\gamma\omega)^2}$$

note:  $T/m = \int \frac{|\tilde{a}|^2}{|\Gamma(\omega)|^2 + |\Gamma_{IM}(\omega)|^2} d\omega$

if  $\rightarrow |\tilde{a}(\omega)|^2$  broad  
 $\rightarrow \Gamma(\omega)$  has lines, so

$$\Gamma(\omega) = (\omega - \omega_0) \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \omega}$$

$$T/m = \int \frac{|\tilde{a}|^2 d\omega}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 \left(\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \omega}\right)^2 + |\Gamma_{IM}(\omega)|^2}$$

$$= |\tilde{a}(\omega)|^2 \int \frac{d\omega / |\Gamma_{IM}(\omega)|^2}{\left[ \frac{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 \left|\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \omega}\right|^2 + 1}{|\Gamma_{IM}(\omega)|^2} \right]}$$

$$\approx \frac{|\tilde{a}(\omega)|^2}{|\Gamma_{IM}(\omega)|^2 \left|\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \omega}\right|_{\omega_0}}$$

$$|\tilde{a}(\omega)|^2 = \left( \Gamma_{IM} \frac{T}{m} \right) \Big|_{\omega_0} \left| \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \omega} \right|_{\omega_0}$$

noise
dispn
Temp
 $\omega_0$ 
 $\omega_0$

→ Fluctuations set by  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{noise} \\ \text{damping} \\ \text{collective modes} \end{array} \right\}$   
response c.e.  $\omega \approx \omega_0$   
 natural frequency

$$\rightarrow 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} k x^2 \right) = 2 \left( \frac{m \omega_0^2}{2} x^2 \right) = T$$

sets condition

Lesson: → Thermal equilibrium spectrum  
 set by  $\left. \begin{array}{l} - \text{collective modes} \\ - \text{damping} \end{array} \right\}$  resonances  
 - noise

→ F-D Thm links these,  
explicitly

→ For plasma, thermal equilibrium  
requires understanding  
 → noise  
 → collective modes  
 → damping