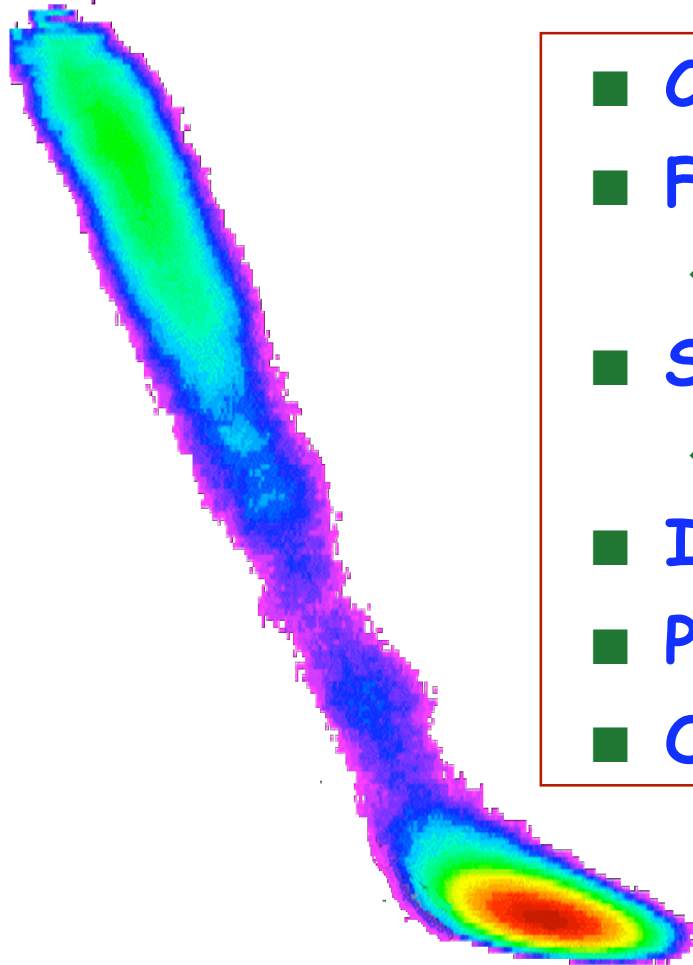


Challenges of finite systems stat. phys.

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- Connections to other chapters
- Finite systems
 - ◆ Boundary condition problem
- Statistical descriptions
 - ◆ Gibbs ensembles - Ergodicity
- Inequivalence, thermo limit
- Phase transitions
- Open, transient



1) Connections to other chapters

- Non saturating infinite systems
Dieter's chapter
- Clusters (evaporative ensemble)
Eric's chapter
- Dynamics and equilibrium
Many chapters
- Non extensive dynamics (Tsallis)
Few discussions



2) Finite systems

- Finite number of particles in interaction

- Boundary conditions / continuum problem

- ◆ Bound states OK
- ◆ Trapped particles OK
- ◆ Model cases OK

- ◆ In general, H undefined without boundaries

=> System & Thermodynamics undefined



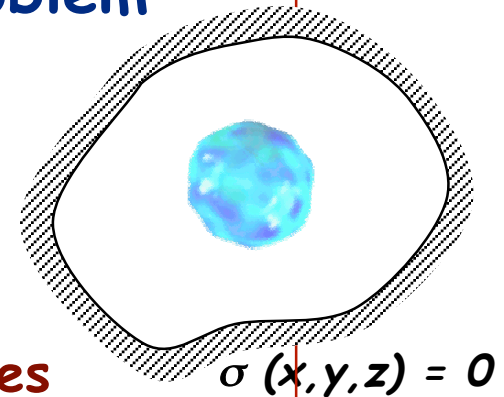
- ◆ => Ex: Entropy $S(E) = \log W(E)$ undefined

- ◆ Boundaries, $\sigma(x, y, z) = 0$: infinite information

=> Use of information theory mandatory



- ◆ => Use of constraints on volume and shape (eg $\langle r^2 \rangle$)



3) Statistical physics

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■ Macroscopic

- ◆ One realization (event) can be an equilibrium
- ◆ One ∞ system = ∞ ensemble of ∞ sub-systems

■ Microscopic

- ◆ Ensemble of replicas needed
- ◆ One realization (event) cannot be an equilibrium
- ◆ Gibbs: Equilibrium = maximum entropy
 - ◆ Average over time if ergodic
 - ◆ Average over events if chaotic/stochastic
 - ◆ Average over replicas if minimum info




"Ergodic" some times used instead of "uniform population of phase space"

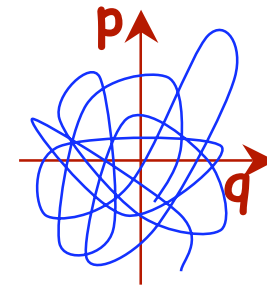


3) Statistical physics

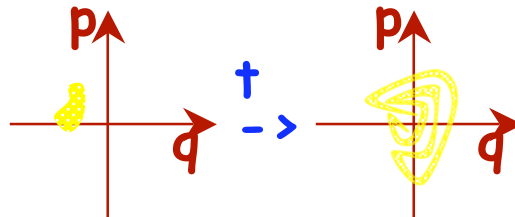
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■ Ergodic (Bound systems only)

- ◆ ∞ time average = phase space average
- ◆ Ergodic $\Rightarrow \langle \neq$ statistics
- ◆ Only conserved quantities (E, J, P ...) 

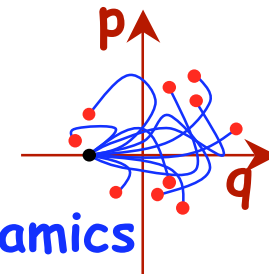


■ Mixing



- ◆ Unknown initial conditions
- ◆ Not only conserved statistical variables

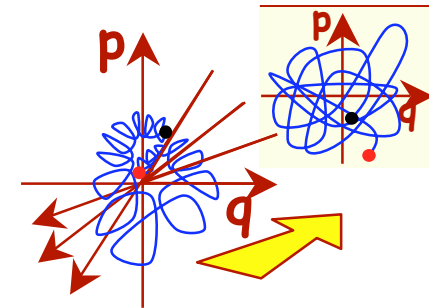
■ Stochastic



- ◆ Unknown dynamics

■ Complex / min info

- ◆ Few relevant observations $\langle A_i \rangle$
 \Rightarrow state variables (not only conserved)
- ◆ Many irrelevant degree of freedom

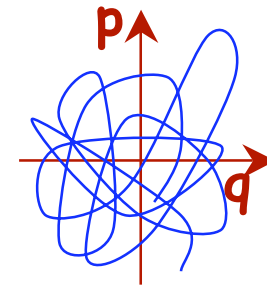


Validity conditions

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■ Ergodic

- ◆ Bound systems only
- ◆ For time averages only
- ◆ Should be demonstrated (difficult)
- ◆ Only conserved quantities (E, J, P ...)

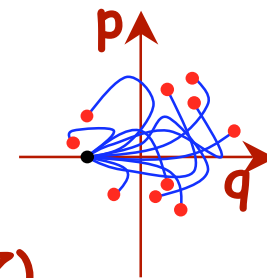


■ Mixing

■ Complex / min info

- ◆ For ensemble of events
- ◆ Should be demonstrated (difficult)
- ◆ Comparison with models
- ◆ Consistency checks (e.g. $T_1 = T_2$, $\sigma_A^2 = -\partial_l \log Z$)
- ◆ Independence upon history

■ Stochastic



■ How far are we from equilibrium?



Information theory for finite system

R. Balian « Statistical mechanics »

◆ Statistical ensemble:

$$\left\{ \left((n), p^{(n)} \right) \right\}$$

◆ Shannon information:

$$I = \sum_{(n)} p^{(n)} \log p^{(n)}$$

◆ Information = observations:

$$\left\{ \langle \hat{A}_\ell \rangle = \sum_{(n)} p^{(n)} A_\ell^{(n)} \right\}$$

■ Min. bias state: **min I under constraints** $\left\{ \langle \hat{A}_\ell \rangle \right\}$

◆ λ_ℓ Lagrange multipliers

◆ \Rightarrow Boltzman probability

◆ Z Partition sum

◆ Constraints = EOS

$$p^{(n)} = Z^{-1} e^{-\sum_\ell \lambda_\ell A_\ell^{(n)}}$$

$$Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \sum_{(n)} e^{-\sum_\ell \lambda_\ell A_\ell^{(n)}}$$

$$\langle \hat{A}_\ell \rangle = -\partial_{\lambda_\ell} \log Z(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$



Many different ensembles

- Constraints
- Conserved quantities
- Sorting
- Boundaries



Boundary = ∞ information
Microcanonical undefined

E	Microcanonical	
$\langle E \rangle$	Canonical	
V	Isochore	
$\langle r^3 \rangle$	Isobare	
$\langle Q_2 \rangle$	Deformed	
$\langle p.r \rangle$	Expanding	
$\langle A \rangle$	Grand	
$\langle L \rangle$	Rotating	
...	Others	

- Boundaries = spatial constraints, ex: $\langle V \rangle = \langle r^3 \rangle$

◆ \Rightarrow $P_{\beta\lambda}^{(n)} = Z^{-1} \exp[-\beta E^{(n)} - \lambda_0 V^{(n)}] \Rightarrow$ isobar ensemble

- Valid also for open systems (extension $\langle r^2 \rangle$)



4) Finite systems => ensemble inequivalence

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4) Finite systems => ensemble inequivalence

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■ Microcanonical ensemble:

$$p^{(n)} = \delta(E - E^{(n)}) / W(E)$$

◆ Shannon = Boltzmann:

$$S(E) = \log W(E)$$

◆ Temperature (EOS):

$$T^{-1} = \partial_E S(E)$$

■ Canonical ensemble:

$$p^{(n)} = e^{-\beta E^{(n)}} / Z(\beta)$$

◆ Partition sum = Laplace tr.:

$$Z(\beta) = \int dE e^{-\beta E} W(E)$$

◆ Caloric curve (EOS)

$$\langle E \rangle = -\partial_\beta \log Z(\beta)$$

◆ Canonical $S_c =$ Legendre tr.:

$$S_c(\langle E \rangle) = \log Z(\beta) + \beta \langle E \rangle$$

■ But canonical $S_c(\langle E \rangle) \neq$ microcanonical $S(E)$

◆ => Canonical EOS \neq microcanonical EOS



Inequivalence

Canonical Energy dist.

$$P_{\beta}(E) = e^{S(E) - \beta E} / Z(\beta)$$

Exact link microcan. entropy

Monomodal \bar{E}

$$\text{Most probable: } \partial_E S(\bar{E}) = \beta$$

$$\text{Average: } \langle E \rangle_{\beta} \approx \bar{E}_{T=\beta^{-1}}$$

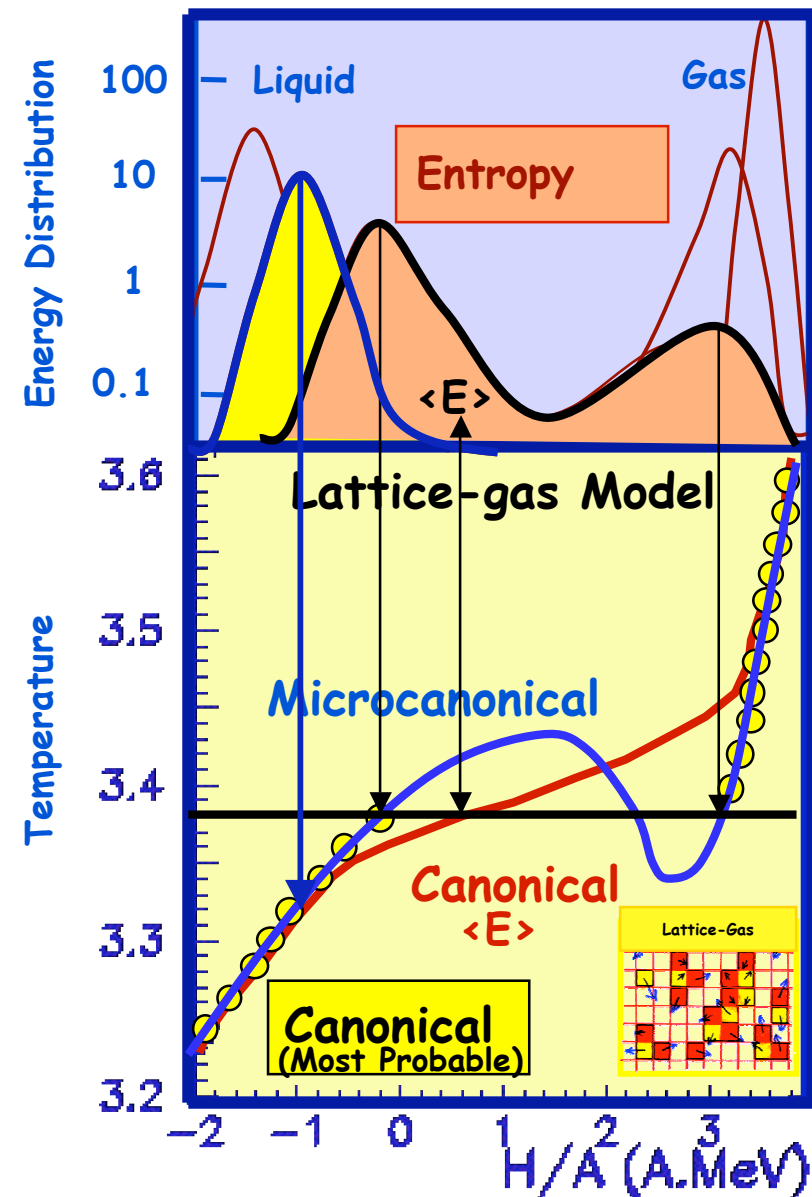
Canonical EOS \approx microcan.

Bimodal: ensembles inequivalent

$$\langle E \rangle_{\beta} \approx p^{(1)} \bar{E}_{T=\beta^{-1}}^{(1)} + p^{(2)} \bar{E}_{T=\beta^{-1}}^{(2)}$$

Canonical interpolates 2 stable microcan. solutions

F. Gulminelli & Ph. Ch., PRE 66 (2002) 46108



Finite systems => ensemble inequivalence

■ Many different ensembles:

- ◆ Constraints and boundaries
- ◆ Boundaries = ∞ information incompatible with max S

■ Various ensembles are related:

- ◆ Laplace transform:

$$Z(\beta) = \int dE e^{-\beta E} W(E)$$

- ◆ Probabilities (sorting):

$$P_{\beta}(E) = W(E)e^{-\beta E} / Z(\beta)$$

■ But are not equivalent:

- ◆ Small corrections far from phase transitions
- ◆ **Strong deviations associated with phase transitions**
- ◆ Disappears at thermo limit,



5) Phase transition in infinite systems

● **Thermodynamical potentials**
non analytical at

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$F = -T \log Z$$

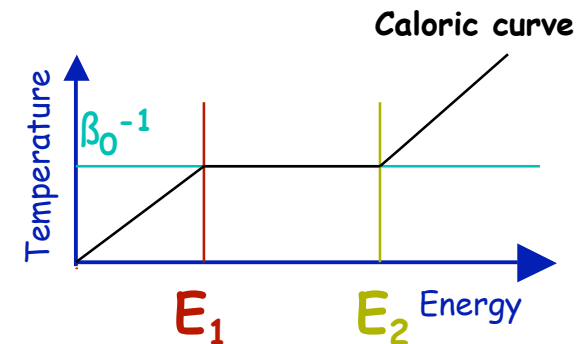
$$\left(Z = \sum_{(n)} e^{-\beta E^{(n)}} \right)$$

L.E. Reichl, Texas Press (1980)

● **Order of transition:**
discontinuity in

$$\partial_{\beta}^n \log Z$$

Ehrenfest's definition



● **Ex: first order:**
discontinuous EOS:

$$\langle E \rangle = -\partial_{\beta} \log Z$$

R. Balian, Springer (1982)



1st order in finite systems

PC & Gulminelli Phys A 330(2003)451



Free order param. (canonical)

◆ Zeroes of Z reach real axis

Yang & Lee Phys Rev 87(1952)404



◆ Bimodal distribution ($P_b(E)$)

K.C. Lee Phys Rev E 53 (1996) 6558



Fixed order para. (microcanonical)

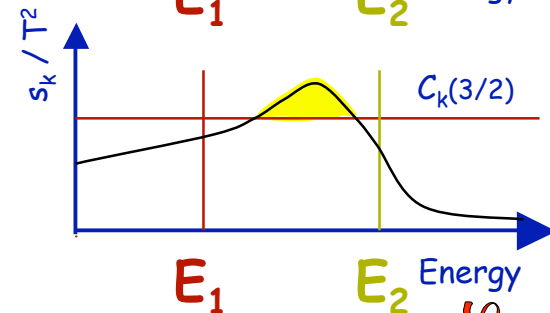
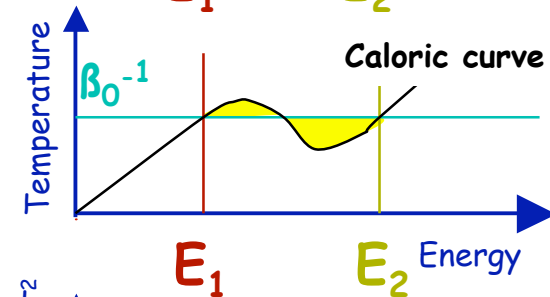
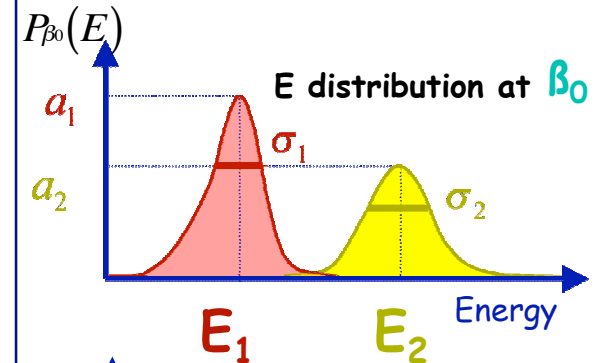
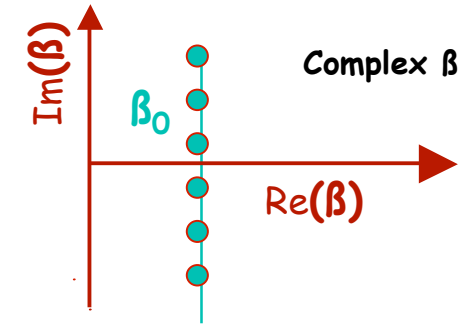
◆ Back Bending in EOS ($T(E)$)

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◆ Abnormal fluctuation ($\sigma_k(E)$)

J.L. Lebowitz (1967), PC & Gulminelli, NPA 647(1999)153



Curvature of S should not be confused with variations of variables along transformations



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6) Statistical description evolving systems

■ Time dependent statistical ensemble

◆ Max S at t with constraint $\langle A \rangle$ from $t_0 = t - Dt$,

◆ Heisemberg picture: $\hat{A} \rightarrow e^{-i\Delta t \hat{H}} \hat{A} e^{i\Delta t \hat{H}} = \hat{A} - i\Delta t [\hat{H}, \hat{A}] + \dots$

◆ => time odd observables

$$\hat{B} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{A}]$$

■ Ex: unconfined finite $\langle r^2 \rangle$ system and radial flow

◆ Finite $\langle r^2 \rangle$ system at t_0 : $p^{(n)} \propto \exp[-\beta(E^{(n)} - \lambda_0' \hat{r}^{2(n)})]$

◆ \Leftrightarrow External potential \Leftrightarrow equilibrium in a trap $\lambda_0 r^2$

◆ State at time t :

◆ \Leftrightarrow Radial flow

◆ Ex: Ideal gas:

$$\hat{B} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{r}^2] = (\hat{r} \cdot \hat{p} + \hat{r} \cdot \hat{p}) / m$$

$$p^{(n)}(t) \propto \exp[-\beta(t) \frac{(\mathbf{p}^{(n)} - h(t)\mathbf{r}^{(n)})^2}{2m} - \lambda(t)r^{(n)2}]$$



7) Conclusions: Challenges

- Statistical description of non extensive systems
 - ◆ Conceptual justification
 - ◆ Inequivalence
- Phase transition in finite systems
 - ◆ Abnormal thermodynamics
 - ◆ Negative curvature
- Phase transition in Nuclei
 - ◆ EOS
 - ◆ Phase diagram

