

A. DONEV The GENERIC Formalism
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For an isolated system, i.e., the microcanonical ensemble, and assuming the internal energy can be written as a function of coarse-grained variables exactly, $E(x)$, then the GENERIC formalism of Öttinger is appropriate. It also requires expressing the entropy as a function of the coarse-grained variables, $S(x)$

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$$P_{eq}(x) = Z^{-1} \exp [S(x) / k_B]$$

A. DONEV GENERIC equation for $X(z)$: ; (2)

$$\dot{X} = L \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} + M \cdot \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} + \sqrt{2k_B} \sim \downarrow \text{kinetic} \\ M \circ W(t)$$

or Ito \uparrow + DRIFT:

$$L^* = -L$$

(skew-adjoint)

$$L \cdot \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} = 0$$

Fokker - Planck

irreversible (dissipative)

$$M^* = M$$

(self-adjoint)

$$M \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\sim \sim^* \\ MM = M$$

fluctuation-dissipation balance

degeneracy conditions

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left\{ \left[L \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} + M \cdot \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} \right] P - \frac{1}{2} M \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P \right\}$$

which preserves $\exp[S/k_B]$

The GENERIC dynamics strictly (3)
 conserves Energy :

$$dE = \frac{\delta E}{\delta x} \cdot dx + \frac{\delta^2 E}{\delta x^2} : (\hbar_B M) dt \quad (\text{Ito's formula})$$

$$= \hbar_B \left[\frac{\delta E}{\delta x} \cdot \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta x} \cdot M \right) + \left(\frac{\delta^2 E}{\delta x^2} \right) : M \right] dt$$

Since $\frac{\delta E}{\delta x} \cdot L \cdot \frac{\delta E}{\delta x} = 0$ by antisymmetry

and $\tilde{M} \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = 0$ $\frac{\delta E}{\delta x} \cdot M \cdot \frac{\delta S}{dx} = 0$

$$= \hbar_B \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \cdot \left[M \cdot \frac{\delta E}{\delta x} \right] = 0 \quad \text{identically}$$

If we do the same for entropy (4)

$$dS = \frac{\delta S}{\delta x} \cdot dx + \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta x^2} : (k_B M) dt =$$

$$= \left[\frac{\delta S}{\delta x} \cdot M \cdot \frac{\delta S}{\delta x} + \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta x^2} : (k_B M) \right] dt$$

$$+ \frac{\delta S}{\delta x} \cdot \sqrt{2k_B M} d\tilde{B} + k_B \frac{\delta S}{\delta x} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot M \right) dt \quad \text{from (drift)}$$

since M is SPD, $dS/dt \geq 0$ in deterministic limit ($k_B \rightarrow 0$). When fluctuations are present the second law is not strictly obeyed and entropy can decrease over individual paths.

Following Pep Español:

Note however that the Gibbs-Jaynes entropy

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$$\tilde{S} = -k_B \int P(x) \ln \left[\frac{P(x)}{P_{eq}(x)} \right] dx$$

does strictly increase with time even in the presence of fluctuations (and thus obeys a second law).

$$\frac{d\tilde{S}[P(x,t)]}{dt} = \int dx \frac{\delta \tilde{S}}{\delta P} \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}$$

$$= - \int dx \left[1 + \ln \frac{P}{P_{eq}} \right] \frac{\partial P}{\partial t}$$

Let us rewrite the FPE in the equivalent but instructive form: (46)

$$\text{flux} = \left[\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} - k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right] P = \boxed{\text{where } P_{eq} = e^{S/k_B}}$$

$$= - \left[k_B P_{eq} \frac{\partial P_{eq}^{-1}}{\partial x} + k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right] P = -k_B F P$$

where the flux operator

$$F = P_{eq}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P_{eq}^{-1}$$

$$\boxed{\text{clearly } F P_{eq} = 0}$$

In this calculation we will ignore the reversible part (turns out not to affect \dot{S} at all as expected)

Yet another way to write this (4c)

$$FP = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln \frac{P}{P_{eq}}$$

So we will take the FPE in the form

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = -k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left[M P \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln \left(\frac{P}{P_{eq}} \right) \right]$$

or

$$= -k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left[M P_{eq} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{P}{P_{eq}} \right) \right]$$

Let's go back to the entropy

$$\frac{d\tilde{S}}{dt} = - \int dx \left(1 + \ln \frac{P}{P_{eq}}\right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} =$$

(4d)

$$= +k_B \int dx \left(1 + \ln \frac{P}{P_{eq}}\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left[M P \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln \left(\frac{P}{P_{eq}}\right) \right]$$

Integration by parts

$$= k_B \int P \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln \left(\frac{P}{P_{eq}}\right) \right] \cdot M \cdot \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln \left(\frac{P}{P_{eq}}\right) \right] dx$$

$$= k_B \int P g \cdot M \cdot g dx \geq 0$$

because $M(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\tilde{S}}{dt} \geq 0}$$

strictly!

Importantly, the GENERIC dynamics (5) is time-reversible with respect to the Einstein distribution $P(x) \sim e^{S/k_B}$ when $L=0$ and more generally it preserves this distribution.

Dissipative part:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left\{ M \left[\frac{\partial S}{\partial x} - k_B \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right] P \right\} = 0$$

does not affect Fluctuation - dissipation balance
zero flux

So that part of the dynamics is time-reversible w.r.t. Einstein distribution.

Non-dissipative (reversible) part

(6)

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left\{ \left[L \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} \right] P \right\}$$

Assume $P \sim f(S)$ depends on entropy only

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = - \underbrace{\left(L : \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x^2} \right)}_{\text{zero since}} P - f' \underbrace{\frac{\partial S}{\partial x}}_{\text{zero}} \cdot L \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x}$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{i,j} L_{ij} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = - \sum_{i,j} L_{ij} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = 0}$$

$$- \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot L \right) \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} P$$

must also be zero

So we need an additional condition

(7)

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0$$

More precisely, we want the $L \cdot \frac{\partial \underline{E}}{\partial x}$ to be Hamiltonian (generalized here to non-canonical variables), which implies that the reversible dynamics preserves measures (volumes). In the GENERIC formalism this is expressed as stronger Jacobi identity relations in terms of Poisson brackets...

One can generalize the Langevin description to more general sets of coarse-grained variables x .

For systems in the canonical ensemble i.e. isothermal systems, one considers a coarse-grained Hamiltonian or a free energy that represents the effective Hamiltonian in terms of the chosen variables [see entropy lectures]

$$H(x) \equiv F(x)$$

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A Markovian stochastic dynamics for x that preserves the equilibrium distribution

$$P_{eq}(x) = Z^{-1} \exp[-\beta H(x)]$$

is

$$\dot{x} = L \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} - (G G^*) \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + (2kT)^{1/2} G \cdot W(t)$$

"reversible" "irreversible" "fluctuations"

Ito

$$+ kT \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot [G G^* - L]$$

spurious drift

Here $M(x) = G G^* \geq 0$ or $G \cdot \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot G \right)$ less generally

Augmented Langevin equation:

coarse-grained Hamiltonian

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = L \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} - (GG^*) \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \sqrt{2kT} \cdot G \square W(t) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{kinetic} \\ \text{interpretation} \end{array} \right] \\ L^* = -L \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot L = 0 \quad (\text{incompressibility}) \end{cases}$$

or $+ kT \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot (GG^*)$ [Ito]

Corresponding FPE (forward Kolmogorov)

$$\frac{\partial P(x,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot \left[(GG^*) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} P + kT \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \cdot L \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

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It is easy to show that

$$P_{eq}(x) = Z^{-1} e^{-H(x)/kT}$$

is the equilibrium distribution since

$$\frac{\partial P_{eq}}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{kT} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} P_{eq}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} P_{eq} + kT \frac{\partial P_{eq}}{\partial x} = 0$$

so there is identically no-flux in phase space for any G , if $L=0$
(think detailed balance versus balance)

$$\text{Also: } \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \cdot L \cdot \frac{\partial P_{eq}}{\partial x} \sim \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \cdot L \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0$$

skew-symmetry