

## Dynamical correlations & transport coefficients

Dynamics is why we do molecular dynamics! (vs Monte Carlo)

- Perturbation theory
- Linear-response theory.
- *Diffusion constants, velocity-velocity* auto correlation function
- Transport coefficients
  - Diffusion: Particle flux
  - Viscosity: Stress tensor
  - Heat transport: energy current
  - Electrical Conductivity: electrical current

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## Static Perturbation theory

Consider a perturbation by  $\lambda A(\mathbf{R})$ . Change in distribution is:

$$e^{-\beta F(\lambda)} = \int d\mathbf{R} e^{-\beta V(\mathbf{R}) - \beta \lambda A(\mathbf{R})}$$

Expand in powers of  $\lambda$ :  $F(\lambda) = F(0) + \beta \lambda \langle A \rangle_0 - \beta \lambda^2 [\langle A^2 \rangle_0 - \langle A \rangle_0^2] / 2 + \dots$

For a property  $B(\mathbf{R})$ :  $B(\lambda) = B(0) - \beta \lambda [\langle AB \rangle_0 - \langle A \rangle_0 \langle B \rangle_0] + \dots$

Example let  $A=B=\rho_k$ , then:  $\left. \frac{d\rho_k}{d\lambda} \right|_0 = -\beta \langle |\rho_k|^2 \rangle = -\beta N S_k$

**The structure factors gives the static response to a “density field”** as measured by neutron and X-ray scattering (applied nuclear or electric field).

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## Dynamical Correlation Functions

$$C_{AB}(t) = \langle \delta A(t_0) \delta B(t_0 + t) \rangle$$

- If system is ergodic, ensemble average equals time average and we can average over  $t_0$ .

- Decorrelation at large times:  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} C_{AB}(t) = 0$

- Autocorrelation function  $B=A^*$ .  $|C_{AA}(t)| \leq C_{AA}(0)$

Fourier transform:  $C_{AB}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} C_{AB}(t) \quad C_{AA}(\omega) \geq 0$

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## Dynamical Properties

- Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem:

$$\chi(\omega) = \beta \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{it\omega} \langle B(t) \frac{dA(0)}{dt} \rangle$$

We calculate the *lhs* average in equilibrium (no external perturbation).

$[A e^{-i\omega t}]$  is a perturbation and  $[\chi(\omega) e^{-i\omega t}]$  is the response of B.

- Fluctuations we “see” in equilibrium are equivalent to how a non-equilibrium system approaches equilibrium. (*Onsager regression hypothesis; 1930 Nobel prize*)
- **Density-Density response function is  $S(k, \omega)$** . It can be measured by scattering and is sensitive to collective motions.

$$S_k(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} F_k(t) \quad F_k(t) = \frac{1}{2} \langle \rho_k(t) \rho_{-k}(0) \rangle$$

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## Linear Response in quantum mechanics

$$\delta B(\omega) = \chi(\omega) \delta A(\omega)$$

$$\chi(\omega) = \chi'(\omega) + i\chi''(\omega)$$

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{P}{\pi} \int d\omega' \frac{\chi''(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega} \quad \chi''(\omega) = -\frac{P}{\pi} \int d\omega' \frac{\chi'(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega}$$

$$\text{Power (dissipation)} = \frac{\omega}{2} \chi''(\omega) A(\omega)^2$$

$$\chi''(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\hbar} (e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \langle \delta B(t) \delta A(0) \rangle e^{-i\omega t}$$

- Reduces to classical formula when  $\hbar=0$

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## Transport coefficients

- Define as the response of the system to some dynamical or long-term perturbation, e.g., velocity-velocity
- Take zero frequency limit:
- Kubo form: integral of time (auto-) correlation function.

$$\mu = \int_0^{\infty} dt \langle A(t) A(t+s) \rangle$$

perturbation  
response

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## Transport Coefficients: examples

- Diffusion: Particle flux
- Viscosity: Stress tensor
- Heat transport: energy current
- Electrical Conductivity: electrical current

$$\sigma = \int_0^\infty dt \langle J(t)J(0) \rangle \quad J(t)=\text{total electric current}$$

These can also be evaluated with non-equilibrium simulations.

- Impose a shear, heat or current flow
- Initial difference in particle numbers

Need to use thermostats to have a *steady-state simulation*, otherwise energy (temperature) is not constant.

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## Diffusion Constant

- Defined by Fick's law and controls how systems mix

$$j(r,t) = -D\nabla\rho(r,t) \quad \text{Linear response}$$

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\nabla j(r,t) = D\nabla^2\rho(r,t) \quad \text{Conservation of mass}$$

$$D = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{6t} \langle |\underline{r}_i(t) - \underline{r}_i(0)|^2 \rangle \quad \text{Einstein relation (no PBC!)}$$

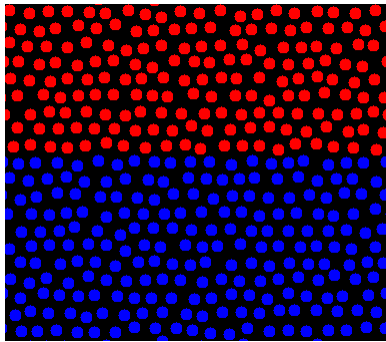
$$D = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^\infty dt \langle \vec{v}_i(t) \cdot \vec{v}_i(0) \rangle \quad \text{Kubo formula}$$

- Use “unwound” positions to get equivalence between the 2 forms.

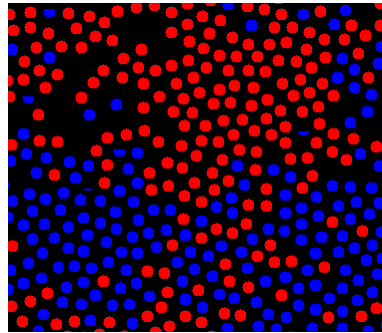
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# Consider a mixture of identical particles



Initial condition



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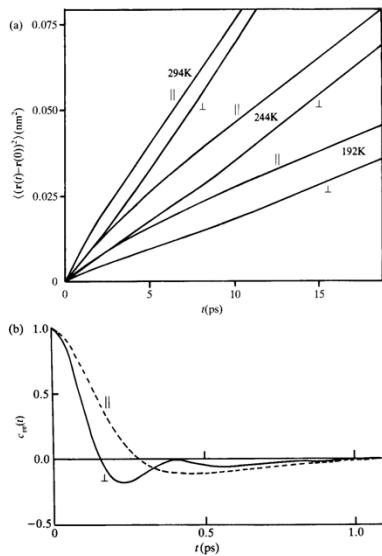


Fig. 6.5 Calculating the diffusion coefficient in  $\text{CS}_2$ . (a) Mean square displacements at  $T = 192\text{ K}, 244\text{ K}, 294\text{ K}$ . (b) Velocity autocorrelation functions at  $T = 192\text{ K}$ . In each case we show components parallel and perpendicular to the molecular axis system at  $t = 0$  [Tildesley and Madden 1983]

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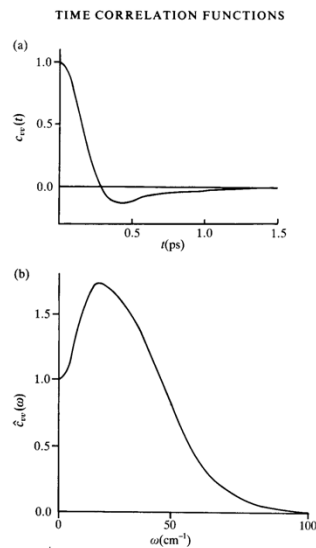


Fig. 2.3 (a) The velocity autocorrelation function and (b) its Fourier transform, for Lennard-Jones liquid near the triple point ( $\rho^* = 0.85, T^* = 0.76$ ).

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- Alder-Wainwright discovered long-time tails on the velocity autocorrelation function. The diffusion constant does not exist in 2D because of hydrodynamic effects.
- Results from computer simulation have changed our picture of a liquid. Several types of motion are allowed.
- Train effect--one particle pulls other particle along behind it.
- Vortex effect- at very long time one needs to solve using hydrodynamics--this dominates the long-time behavior.
- Hard sphere interactions are able to model this aspect of a liquid.

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## Density-Density response: a sound wave

$$S_k(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt F_k(t) \quad F_k(t) = \frac{1}{2} \langle \rho_k(t) \rho_{-k}(0) \rangle$$

- Measured by scattering and is sensitive to collective motions.
- Suppose we have a sound wave:

$$\delta\rho(x,t) = \varepsilon \operatorname{Re}\{e^{iqx-i\omega t}\} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2} [e^{iqx-i\omega t} + e^{-iqx+i\omega t}]$$

$$\rho_k(t) = \int d^3r \rho(r,t) e^{iqr} = \rho_0 \delta(k) + \varepsilon [\delta(k+q) e^{i\omega t} + \delta(k-q) e^{-i\omega t}]$$

- **Peaks in  $S(k,\omega)$  at  $q$  and  $-q$ .**
- *Damping of sound wave broadens the peaks.*
- Inelastic neutron scattering can measure microscopic collective modes.

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## Dynamical Structure Factor for Hard Spheres

For  $V_0 = Nd^3/\sqrt{2}$ , HS fluid for

(a)  $V/V_0 = 1.6$ ,  $kd=0.38$

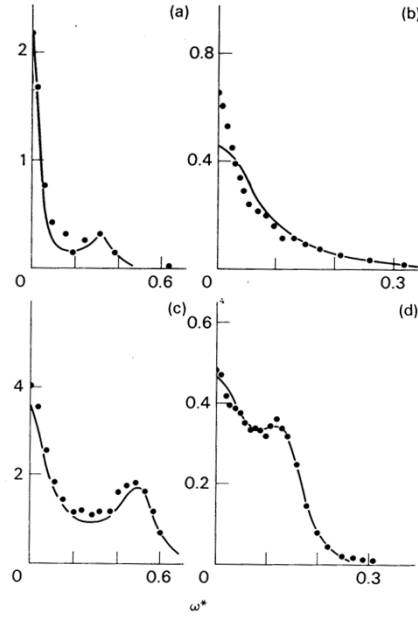
(b)  $V/V_0 = 1.6$ ,  $kd=2.28$

(c)  $V/V_0 = 3.0$ ,  $kd=0.44$

(d)  $V/V_0 = 10$ ,  $kd=0.41$

Freq. =  $kd/\tau$ ,  
 $\tau$  = mean collision time

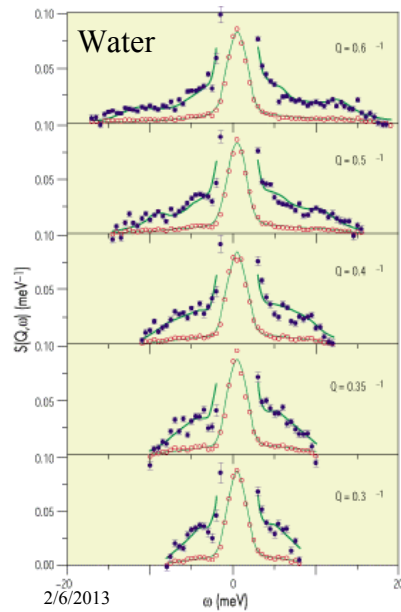
Points: MD (Alley et al, 1983)  
 Lines: Enskog theory



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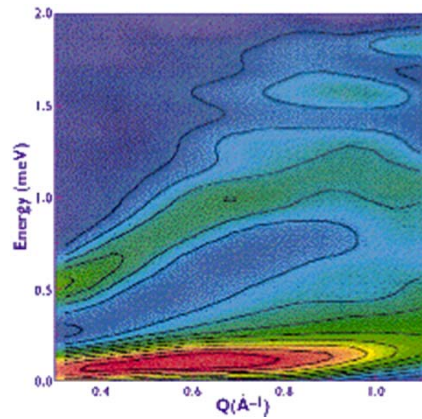
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## Some experimental data from neutron scattering



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## liquid 3 helium



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