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APPENDIX I

THE GENERAL PROBLEM OF RANDOM FLIGHTS; MARKOFF'S METHOD (6)

In the general problem of random flights, the position \vec{R} of the particle after N displacements is given by

$$\vec{R} = \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{r}_i \quad (A-1)$$

where the \vec{r}_i 's ($i=1, \dots, N$) denote the different displacements. Further, the probability that the i displacement lies between \vec{r}_i and $\vec{r}_i + d\vec{r}_i$ is given by

$$\tau_i(x_i, y_i, z_i) dx_i dy_i dz_i = \tau_i dr_i; (i=1, \dots, N) \quad (A-2)$$

We require the probability $W(\vec{R}) d\vec{R}$ that the position of the particle after N displacements lies in the interval $\vec{R}, \vec{R} + d\vec{R}$

Let

$$\vec{\phi}_j = (\phi_j^1, \phi_j^2, \dots, \phi_j^n) \quad (j=1, \dots, N) \quad (A-3)$$

be N , n -dimensional vectors, the components of each of these vectors being functions of s coordinates:

$$\phi_j^k = \phi_j^k(q_{1j}^1, \dots, q_{1j}^s) \quad (k=1, \dots, n; j=1, \dots, N) \quad (A-4)$$

The probability that the q_{1j}^s 's occur in the range

$$q_{1j}^1, q_{1j}^1 + dq_{1j}^1; q_{1j}^2, q_{1j}^2 + dq_{1j}^2; \dots; q_{1j}^s, q_{1j}^s + dq_{1j}^s \quad (A-5)$$

is given by

$$\tau_j(q_{1j}^1, \dots, q_{1j}^s) dq_{1j}^1 \dots dq_{1j}^s = \tau_j(\vec{q}_{1j}) d\vec{q}_{1j} \quad (A-6)$$

Further, let

$$(\vec{\Phi}^1, \vec{\Phi}^2, \dots, \vec{\Phi}^N) = \vec{\Phi} = \sum_{j=1}^N \vec{\phi}_j \quad (A-7)$$

The problem is: what is the probability that

$$\vec{\Phi}_0 - \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0 \leq \vec{\Phi} \leq \vec{\Phi}_0 + \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0 \quad (A-8)$$

where $\vec{\Phi}_0$ is some preassigned value for $\vec{\Phi}$

If we denote the required probability by

$$W_N(\vec{\Phi}_0) d\vec{\Phi}_0 = W(\vec{\Phi}_0) d\vec{\Phi}_0 \quad (\text{A-9})$$

we have

$$W_N(\vec{\Phi}_0) d\vec{\Phi}_0 = \left\{ \dots \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \left\{ \tau_j(\vec{q}_j) d\vec{q}_j \right\} \right) \right\} \quad (\text{A-10})$$

where the integration is effected over only those parts of the N, s -dimensional configuration space $(q_{11}^1, \dots, q_{1N}^s)$ in which the inequalities (A-8) are satisfied.

Introduce a factor $\Delta(\vec{q}_1, \dots, \vec{q}_N)$ having the following properties:

$$\Delta(\vec{q}_1, \dots, \vec{q}_N) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{whenever } \vec{\Phi}_0 - \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0 \leq \vec{\Phi} \leq \vec{\Phi}_0 + \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A-11})$$

Then,

$$W_N(\vec{\Phi}_0) d\vec{\Phi}_0 = \left\{ \dots \left(\Delta(\vec{q}_1, \dots, \vec{q}_N) \prod_{j=1}^N \left\{ \tau_j(\vec{q}_j) d\vec{q}_j \right\} \right) \right\} \quad (\text{A-12})$$

Consider the integrals

$$\delta_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \alpha_k p_k \exp(i p_k \gamma_k)}{p_k} dp_k \quad (k=1, \dots, n) \quad (\text{A-13})$$

δ_k is the discontinuous integral of Dirichlet and has the property

$$\delta_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{whenever } -\alpha_k < \gamma_k < \alpha_k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A-14})$$

Now, let

$$\alpha_k = \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0^k, \quad \gamma_k = \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j^k - \vec{\Phi}_0^k \quad (k=1, \dots, n) \quad (\text{A-15})$$

According to Eq. (A-14)

$$\delta_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{whenever } \vec{\Phi}_0^k - \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0^k < \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j^k < \vec{\Phi}_0^k + \frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0^k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A-16})$$



Consequently

$$\Delta = \prod_{k=1}^n \delta_k \tag{A-17}$$

has the required properties (A-11)

Substituting for Δ from Eqs. (A-13) and (A-17) in Eq. (A-12)

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} W(\vec{\Phi}_0) d\vec{\Phi}_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi^n} \left\{ \dots \right\} \left\{ \dots \right\} \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^N \tau_j(\vec{q}_j) d\vec{q}_j \right\} \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{\sin(\frac{1}{2} d\vec{\Phi}_0 \cdot \vec{p}_k)}{p_k} \right\} \\ &\times \exp \left\{ i \left[\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j^k p_k - \sum_{k=1}^n \vec{\Phi}_0 \cdot \vec{p}_k \right] \right\} d\beta_1 \dots d\beta_n \tag{A-18} \\ &= \frac{d\vec{\Phi}_0}{2^n \pi^n} \left\{ \dots \right\} \exp(-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\Phi}_0) A_N(\vec{p}) d\vec{p} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_N(\vec{p}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \left\{ \dots \right\} dq_{b_j}^1 \dots dq_{b_j}^s \exp(i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\phi}_j) \tau_j(q_{b_j}^1, \dots, q_{b_j}^s) \tag{A-19}$$

The case of greatest interest is when all the functions τ_j are identical. Equation. (A-19) then becomes

$$A_N(\vec{p}) = \left[\int \exp(i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\phi}) \tau(\vec{q}) d\vec{q} \right]^N \tag{A-20}$$

According to Eq. (A-18) $A_N(\vec{p})$ is the n-dimensional Fourier-transform of the probability function $W(\vec{\Phi}_0)$

According to Eqs. (A-1), (A-18) and (A-19), the probability $W_N(\vec{R}) d\vec{R}$ that the position \vec{R} of the particle will be found in the interval $(\vec{R}, \vec{R} + d\vec{R})$ after N displacements is given by

$$W_N(\vec{R}) = \frac{1}{8\pi^3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{R}) A_N(\vec{p}) d\vec{p} \tag{A-21}$$

where

$$A_N(\vec{p}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tau_j(\vec{r}_j) \exp(i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}_j) d\vec{r}_j \tag{A-22}$$

In Eq. (A-22) $\tau_j(\vec{r}_j)$ governs the probability of occurrence of a displacement \vec{r}_j on the j-th occasion. The explicit form which W_N takes will naturally depend on the assumptions made concerning the $\tau_j(\vec{r}_j)$'s. A case of interest arises when τ_j is the Gaussian distribution of \vec{r}_j

$$\tau_j = \frac{1}{(2\pi l_j^2/3)^{3/2}} \exp(-3|\vec{r}_j|^2/2l_j^2) \quad (\text{A-23})$$

where l_j^2 denotes the mean square displacement to be expected on the j-th occasion. While l_j^2 may differ from one displacement to another, we assume that all the displacements occur in random directions.

For τ_j of the form (A-23) our expression for $A_N(\vec{\rho})$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} A_N(\vec{\rho}) &= \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{(2\pi l_j^2/3)^{3/2}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[i(\rho_1 x_j + \rho_2 y_j + \rho_3 z_j) - 3(x_j^2 + y_j^2 + z_j^2)/2l_j^2] \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times dx_j dy_j dz_j \right) \quad (\text{A-24}) \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^N \exp[-(\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 + \rho_3^2) l_j^2/6] = \exp[-(|\vec{\rho}|^2 \sum_{j=1}^N l_j^2)/6] \end{aligned}$$

where $\langle l^2 \rangle$ stand for

$$\langle l^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N l_j^2 \quad (\text{A-25})$$

From equation (A-24) and (A-25), $A_N(\vec{\rho})$ becomes

$$A(\vec{\rho}) = \exp[-N \langle l^2 \rangle |\vec{\rho}|^2/6] \quad (\text{A-26})$$

Substituting for $A_N(\vec{\rho})$ in Eq. (A-21) we obtain

$$W_N(\vec{R}) = \frac{1}{8\pi^3} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-i(\rho_1 X + \rho_2 Y + \rho_3 Z) - N \langle l^2 \rangle (\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 + \rho_3^2)/6] \right. \\ \left. \times d\rho_1 d\rho_2 d\rho_3 \right) \quad (\text{A-27})$$

The integrations in (A-27) are performed and we find

$$W_N(\vec{R}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi N \langle l^2 \rangle/3)^{3/2}} \exp[-3|\vec{R}|^2/2N \langle l^2 \rangle] \quad (\text{A-28})$$

APPENDIX II

MULTIVARIATE GAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTIONS (6)

We considered the case of the problem of random flights in which the N displacements which the particle suffers are all governed by Gaussian distributions but with different variances. We shall now consider a generalization of this problem which has important applications to the theory of Brownian motion.

Let

$$\vec{\Psi} = \sum_{j=1}^N \psi_j \vec{r} ; \quad \vec{\Phi} = \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j \vec{r} \quad (\text{A-29})$$

where the ψ_j 's and the ϕ_j 's are two arbitrary sets of N real numbers each, and where further \vec{r} is a stochastic variable the probability distribution of which is governed by

$$\gamma(\vec{r}) = (1/(2\pi\ell^2)^{3/2}) \exp(-|\vec{r}|^2/2\ell^2) \quad (\text{A-30})$$

where ℓ is a constant. We require the probability $W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi}) d\vec{\Psi} d\vec{\Phi}$ that $\vec{\Psi}$ and $\vec{\Phi}$ shall lie, respectively, in the ranges $(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Psi} + d\vec{\Psi})$ and $(\vec{\Phi}, \vec{\Phi} + d\vec{\Phi})$. We have from Appendix I

$$W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi}) = \frac{1}{64\pi^4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-i(\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{\Psi} + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\Phi})] A_N(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\sigma}) d\vec{\beta} d\vec{\sigma} \quad (\text{A-31})$$

where $\vec{\beta}$ and $\vec{\sigma}$ are two auxiliary vectors and

$$A_N(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\sigma}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{(2\pi\ell^2)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[i(\vec{\beta} \cdot \psi_j \vec{r} + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \phi_j \vec{r})] \times \exp(-|\vec{r}|^2/2\ell^2) d\vec{r} \quad (\text{A-32})$$

To evaluate $A_N(\vec{\rho}, \vec{\sigma})$ we need the value of the typical integral

$$J = \frac{1}{(2\pi\ell^2)^{3/2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[i\vec{r} \cdot (\psi_j \vec{\rho} + \phi_j \vec{\sigma}) - (|\vec{r}|^2/2\ell^2)\right] d\vec{r} \quad (\text{A-33})$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \prod_{x,y,z} \frac{1}{(2\pi\ell^2)^{3/2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\left[x^2 + 2i\ell^2 x(\rho_1\psi_j + \sigma_1\phi_j)\right]/2\ell^2\right\} dx \quad (\text{A-34}) \\ &= \exp\left\{-\ell^2\left[\rho_1\psi_j + \sigma_1\phi_j\right]^2 + (\rho_2\psi_j + \sigma_2\phi_j)^2 + (\rho_3\psi_j + \sigma_3\phi_j)^2\right\}/2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A_N(\vec{\rho}, \vec{\sigma}) &= \exp\left\{-\ell^2 \sum_{j=1}^N \left[(\rho_1\psi_j + \sigma_1\phi_j)^2 + (\rho_2\psi_j + \sigma_2\phi_j)^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (\rho_3\psi_j + \sigma_3\phi_j)^2 \right] / 2\right\} \quad (\text{A-35}) \\ &= \exp\left[-P|\vec{\rho}|^2 + 2R\vec{\rho} \cdot \vec{\sigma} + Q|\vec{\sigma}|^2\right]/2 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$P = \ell^2 \sum_{j=1}^N \psi_j^2, \quad R = \ell^2 \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j \psi_j, \quad Q = \ell^2 \sum_{j=1}^N \phi_j^2 \quad (\text{A-36})$$

Substituting for $A_N(\vec{\rho}, \vec{\sigma})$ from Eq. (A-36) in $W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi})$ [Eq. (A-31)] we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi}) &= \frac{1}{64\pi^3} \prod_{i=1}^3 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\left[P\rho_i^2 + 2R\rho_i\sigma_i + Q\sigma_i^2 + 2i\right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \times (\rho_i\Psi_i + \sigma_i\Phi_i)\right]/2\right\} d\rho_i d\sigma_i \quad (\text{A-37}) \end{aligned}$$

To evaluate the integrals occurring in the foregoing formula, we first perform a translation of the coordinate system according to

$$\rho_i = \xi_i + \alpha_i, \quad \sigma_i = \eta_i + \beta_i \quad (i=1, 2, 3) \quad (\text{A-38})$$

where α_i and β_i are so chosen that

$$P\alpha_i + R\beta_i = -i\Psi_i, \quad R\alpha_i + Q\beta_i = -i\Phi_i \quad (i=1, 2, 3) \quad (\text{A-39})$$

With this transformation of the variables we have

$$\begin{aligned} P\rho_i^2 + 2R\rho_i\sigma_i + Q\sigma_i^2 + 2i(\rho_i\Psi_i + \sigma_i\Phi_i) &= P\xi_i^2 + 2R\xi_i\eta_i \quad (\text{A-40}) \\ + Q\eta_i^2 + i(\alpha_i\Psi_i + \beta_i\Phi_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$= P\xi_i^2 + 2R\xi_i\eta_i + Q\eta_i^2 + \frac{1}{(PQ-R^2)}(P\Phi_i^2 - 2R\Phi_i\Psi_i + Q\Psi_i^2)$$

hence: $W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi}) = \frac{1}{(4\pi^6)^3} \prod_{i=1}^3 \exp[-(P\Phi_i^2 - 2R\Phi_i\Psi_i + Q\Psi_i^2)]$ (A-41)

$$\times 1/2(PQ-R^2) \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp[-(P\xi_i^2 + 2R\xi_i\eta_i + Q\eta_i^2)/2] d\xi_i d\eta_i$$

From this equation we readily find that

$$W(\vec{\Psi}, \vec{\Phi}) = [1/8\pi^3(PQ-R^2)^{3/2}] \exp[-(P|\vec{\Phi}|^2 - 2R\vec{\Psi}\cdot\vec{\Phi} + Q|\vec{\Psi}|^2)/2(PQ-R^2)]$$
 (A-42)

Which gives the required probability distribution.

APPENDIX III

CORRELATIONS IN A SYSTEM OF COUPLED CLASSICAL OSCILLATORS (10)

We will consider first the correlations of the initial values of the coordinates and momenta, whose the assumed distribution is canonical, i.e.,

$$D(\bar{q}(0), \bar{p}(0)) = (2\pi/\beta)^{2N+1} (\det \bar{A})^{-1/2} \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta}{2} \left[\sum_j p_j^2(0) + \sum_{j,k} q_j(0) A_{jk} q_k(0) \right] \right\} \quad (\text{A-43})$$

From this distribution, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p_j(0) p_k(0) \rangle &= kT \delta_{jk} \\ \langle p_j(0) q_k(0) \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle q_j(0) q_k(0) \rangle &= kT \| \bar{A}^{-1} \|_{jk} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-44})$$

From the pair correlations for the time dependent coordinates and momenta obtained in Eq (5) of section-3.3 and (A-44), we have for the momentum correlation

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p_j(t) p_k(t+\tau) \rangle &= \sum_{m,n} \left\{ \| \bar{A}^{1/2} \sin \bar{A}^{1/2} t \|_{jm} \right. \\ &\quad \times \| \bar{A}^{1/2} \sin \bar{A}^{1/2} (t+\tau) \|_{kn} \langle q_{bm}(0) q_{bn}(0) \rangle \\ &\quad \left. + \| \cos \bar{A}^{1/2} t \|_{jm} \| \cos \bar{A}^{1/2} (t+\tau) \|_{kn} \langle p_m(0) p_n(0) \rangle \right\} \\ &= kT \left\{ \| \sin \bar{A}^{1/2} t \sin \bar{A}^{1/2} (t+\tau) + \cos \bar{A}^{1/2} t \cos \bar{A}^{1/2} (t+\tau) \|_{jk} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-45})$$

From Eq (A-45), using the formula for the cosine of the differences

of two values $\bar{A}^{1/2}t$ and $\bar{A}^{1/2}(t+\tau)$ and substituting the correlations of the initial values of the coordinates and momenta from Eq (A - 44), we have

$$\langle p_j(t) p_k(t+\tau) \rangle = \hbar T \|\cos \bar{A}^{1/2} \tau\|_{jk} \quad (\text{A-46})$$

In a similar way, we get

$$\langle q_j(t) p_k(t+\tau) \rangle = -\hbar T \|\bar{A}^{-1/2} \sin \bar{A}^{1/2} \tau\|_{jk} \quad (\text{A-47})$$

$$\langle q_j(t) q_k(t+\tau) \rangle = \hbar T \|\bar{A}^{-1} \cos \bar{A}^{1/2} \tau\|_{jk} \quad (\text{A-48})$$

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