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Stochastic Processes: Data Analysis and Computer Simulation

Brownian motion 3: data analyses
-Mean square displacement and diffusion constant-

1 Calculating the diffusion constant from simulation data

1.1 Perform simulation (at equilibrium)

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In [1]: % matplotlib inline
        import numpy as np
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import matplotlib as mpl
        plt.style.use('ggplot')
                    # system dimension (x, y, z)
        nump = 1000 # number of independent Brownian particles to simulate
        nums = 1024 # number of simulation steps
           = 0.05 # set time increment, \Delta t
        zeta = 1.0 # set friction constant, \zeta
           = 1.0 # set particle mass, m
        kBT = 1.0 # set temperatute, k\_B T
        std = np.sqrt(2*kBT*zeta*dt) # calculate std for \Delta W via Eq.(F11)
        np.random.seed(0) # initialize random number generator with a seed=0
        R = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current positions and set initial
        V = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current velocities and set initial
        W = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current random forcces
        Rs = np.zeros([nums,nump,dim]) # array to store positions at all steps
        Vs = np.zeros([nums,nump,dim]) # array to store velocities at all steps
        Ws = np.zeros([nums, nump, dim]) # array to store random forces at all steps
        time = np.zeros([nums]) # an array to store time at all steps
        for i in range(nums): # repeat the following operations from i=0 to nums-1
            W = std*np.random.randn(nump,dim) # generate an array of random forces
            V = V*(1-zeta/m*dt)+W/m # update velocity via Eq.(F9)
            R = R + V*dt \# update position via Eq. (F5)
            Rs[i]=R # accumulate particle positions at each step in an array Rs
            Vs[i]=V # accumulate particle velocitys at each step in an array Vs
            Ws[i]=W # accumulate random forces at each step in an array Ws
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time[i]=i*dt # store time in each step in an array time

1.2 Mean square displacement vs. time

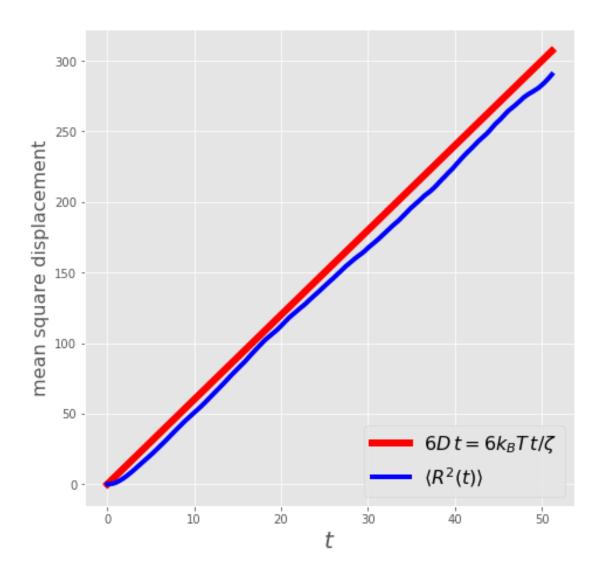
• Calculate the mean square displacement, and compare it with the following theoretical result (see the derivation for Eq.(30)).

$$\langle [\mathbf{R}(t) - \mathbf{R}(0)]^2 \rangle = 6Dt \tag{H1}$$

Note that the diffusion coefficient can be easily calculated from the mean square displacement by integrating both sides of Eq.(H1) with respect to time

$$D = \frac{1}{3T^2} \int_0^T dt \langle [\mathbf{R}(t) - \mathbf{R}(0)]^2 \rangle$$
 (H2)

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In [2]: # mean square displacement vs time
        msd = np.zeros([nums])
        for i in range(nums): # loop over time steps
             for n in range(nump): # loop over particles
                 msd[i]=msd[i]+np.linalg.norm(Rs[i,n,:])**2 # (R(t) - R(0))^2 = R(t,n,:])
             msd[i] = msd[i]/nump # average over particles
        dmsd = np.trapz(msd, dx=dt) / (3*(nums*dt)**2) # integrate using trapezoidal
        print('D =', kBT/zeta, '(Theoretical)')
        print('D =', dmsd, '(Simulation via MSD)')
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7.5, 7.5))
        ax.set_xlabel(r"$t$", fontsize=20)
        ax.set_ylabel(r"mean square displacement", fontsize=16)
        ax.plot(time, 6 \times kBT/zeta \times time, 'r', 1w=6, 1abel=r'$6D\setminus t=\{6k\_BT\setminus t\}/\{\{zeta\}\}
        ax.plot(time, msd, 'b', lw=4, label=r'$\langle R^2(t)\rangle \right]
        ax.legend(fontsize=16,loc=4)
        plt.show()
D = 1.0 (Theoretical)
D = 0.926874089843 (Simulation via MSD)
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1.3 Diffusion constant and Velocity auto-correlation function

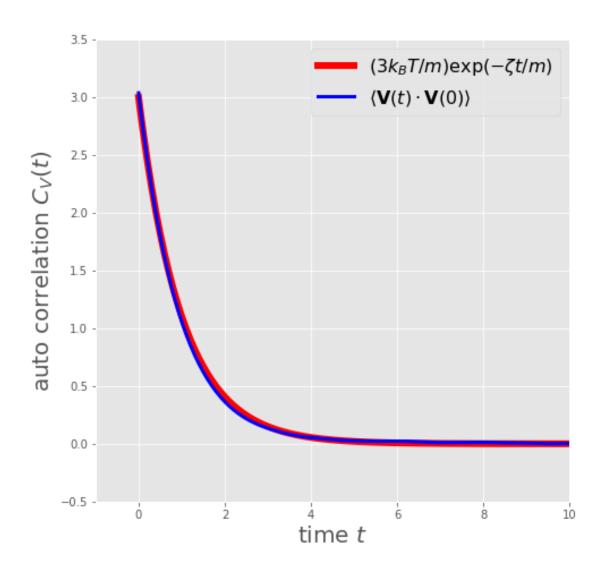
• Calculate the velocity auto-correlation function, and evaluate the diffusion constant using the Green-Kubo formula (see the derivation for Eq.(49)).

$$D = \frac{1}{3} \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi_{V}(t)dt \tag{H3}$$

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In [3]: # compute self-correlation of vector v

def auto_correlate(v):
    # np.correlate computes C_{v}[k] = sum_n v[n+k] * v[n]
    corr = np.correlate(v,v,mode="full") # correlate returns even array [0]
    return corr[len(v)-1:]/len(v) # take positive values and normalize by n
    corr = np.zeros([nums])
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for n in range(nump):
            for d in range(dim):
                corr = corr + auto_correlate(Vs[:,n,d]) # correlation of d-component
        corr=corr/nump #average over all particles
        print('D =', kBT/zeta, '(Theoretical)')
        print('D =', np.trapz(corr, dx=dt)/3,'(Simulation via Green-Kubo)')
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7.5, 7.5))
        ax.plot(time,dim*kBT/m*np.exp(-zeta/m*time),'r',lw=6, label=r'$(3k_BT/m)\ex
        ax.plot(time, corr, 'b', lw=3, label=r'$\langle V \rangle(t) \cdot \mathcal{V}(t) 
        ax.set_xlabel(r"time $t$", fontsize=20)
        ax.set_ylabel(r"auto correlation $C_V(t)$", fontsize=20)
        ax.set_xlim(-1,10)
        ax.set_ylim(-0.5, 3.5)
        ax.legend(fontsize=16)
        plt.show()
D = 1.0 (Theoretical)
D = 0.944777284634 (Simulation via Green-Kubo)
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1.4 Perform simulation under external force (out of equilibrium)

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In [4]: dim = 3  # system dimension (x,y,z)
    nump = 1000 # number of independent Brownian particles to simulate
    nums = 1024 # number of simulation steps
    dt = 0.05 # set time increment, \Delta t
    zeta = 1.0 # set friction constant, \zeta
    m = 1.0 # set particle mass, m
    kBT = 1.0 # set temperatute, k_B T
    F0 = 1.0 # set external drift force
    std = np.sqrt(2*kBT*zeta*dt) # calculate std for \Delta W via Eq.(F11)
    np.random.seed(0) # initialize random number generator with a seed=0
    R = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current positions and set initial
    V = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current velocities and set initial
    W = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store current random forcces
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F = np.zeros([nump,dim]) # array to store external force
Rs = np.zeros([nums,nump,dim]) # array to store positions at all steps
Vs = np.zeros([nums,nump,dim]) # array to store velocities at all steps
Ws = np.zeros([nums,nump,dim]) # array to store random forces at all steps
time = np.zeros([nums]) # an array to store time at all steps
F[:,0]=F0 # constant force along x, zero force in y and z
for i in range(nums): # repeat the following operations from i=0 to nums-1
    W = std*np.random.randn(nump,dim) # generate an array of random forces
    V = V*(1-zeta/m*dt)+W/m+F/m*dt # update velocity via Eq.(F9)
    R = R + V*dt # update position via Eq.(F5)
    Rs[i]=R # accumulate particle positions at each step in an array Rs
    Vs[i]=V # accumulate particle velocitys at each step in an array Vs
    Ws[i]=W # accumulate random forces at each step in an array Ws
    time[i]=i*dt # store time in each step in an array time
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1.5 Drift velocity under external force

• Calculate the drift velocity $\langle V_x \rangle_{ext}$, and evaluate the diffusion constant using the equation shown here (see the derivation for Eq.(43)).

$$D = \frac{\langle V_x \rangle_{ext} k_B T}{F_0} \tag{H4}$$

