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## Langevin to Fokker-Planck

We show a general recipe on a simple example:

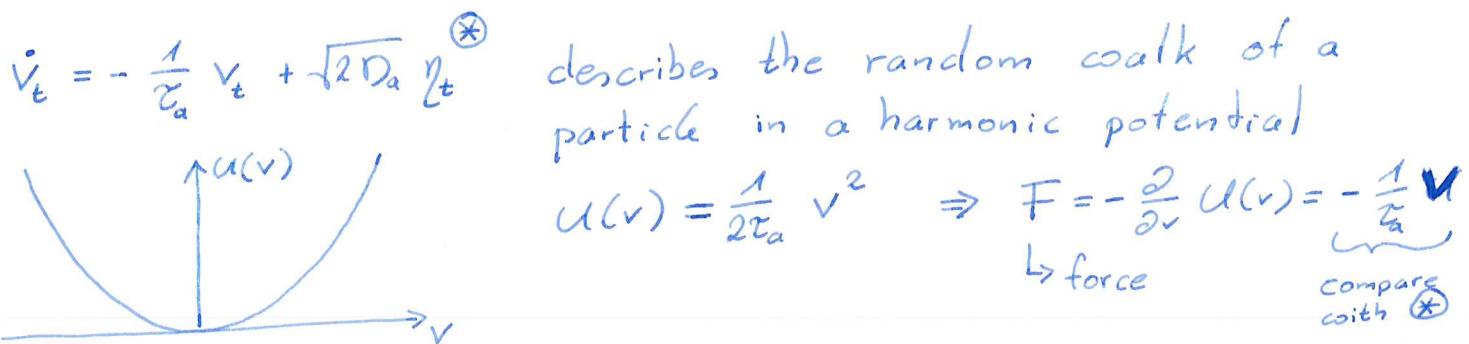
Consider the active Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process on an infinite line.

$$\text{Position: } \dot{x}_t = \frac{\delta_a}{\gamma} v_t + \frac{1}{\gamma} F(x(t)) + \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{\gamma}} \xi_t, \quad \langle \xi_t \rangle = 0 \\ \langle \xi_t \xi_{t'} \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

$$\text{Velocity: } \dot{v}_t = -\frac{1}{\tau_a} v_t + \sqrt{2D_a} \eta_t \quad \langle \eta_t \rangle = 0 \\ \langle \eta_t \eta_{t'} \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

We consider only the Langevin equation for the velocity. ~~The extension to the~~  
Given the recipe, it is straightforward to get the Fokker-Planck eq. for  $P_t(x, v)$ .

1) We need the Wiener process!



Goal: discretise  $*$  in time; let  $dt$  be our finite time step

$$*\Rightarrow \frac{v(t+dt) - v(t)}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\tau_a} v(t) + \sqrt{2D_a} \eta(t)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v(t+dt) = v(t) - \frac{1}{\tau_a} v(t) dt + \underbrace{\sqrt{2D_a} \eta(t) dt}_{}$$

what are the properties of this random number?

We define the Wiener  $dw(t)$  process and derive the properties:

$$\downarrow \\ dw(t) := \eta(t) dt$$

What are the properties of  $\omega(t)$ ?

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$$\langle \omega(s) \rangle = \int_0^s \underbrace{\langle \eta(j) \rangle}_{=0} dt = 0$$

$$\langle \omega(s) \omega(s') \rangle = \iint_0^s \iint_0^{s'} \langle \eta(j) \eta(j') \rangle dt dt' = \iint_0^{ss'} \delta(j-t') dt dt' = \min(s, s')$$

this means also

$$\langle \omega(s)^2 \rangle = s$$

with this:

$$\Rightarrow \langle d\omega(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle \omega(t+dt) - \omega(t) \rangle = \underbrace{\langle \omega(t+dt) \rangle}_0 - \underbrace{\langle \omega(t) \rangle}_0 = 0$$

$$\langle d\omega(t)^2 \rangle = \langle (\omega(t+dt) - \omega(t))^2 \rangle$$

e.g.  $s > s'$  & discrete  $\Rightarrow$

$$\sum_{t=0}^s \sum_{t'=0}^{s'} \delta(t-t') =$$

$$\sum_{t=0}^s [\delta(t-0) + \delta(t-1) + \dots + \delta(t-s)]$$

$$= [\delta(0-0) + \delta(0-1) + \dots + \delta(0-s)] +$$

$$[\delta(1-0) + \delta(1-1) + \dots + \delta(1-s')] +$$

$$\vdots$$

$$[\delta(s-0) + \delta(s-1) + \dots + \delta(s-s')] = s'$$

$$= s'$$

$$= \underbrace{\langle \omega(t+dt)^2 \rangle}_{t+dt} + \underbrace{\langle \omega(t)^2 \rangle}_t - 2 \underbrace{\langle \omega(t+dt) \omega(t) \rangle}_t = t+dt+t-2t = dt$$

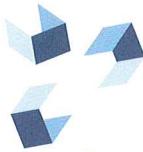
$\Rightarrow$  we know  $d\omega(t) = \eta(t) dt$  is a random number of

$$\text{mean } \underbrace{\langle d\omega(t) \rangle = 0}_{\text{we will need this}} \text{ & variance } \langle (d\omega(t) - \underbrace{\langle d\omega(t) \rangle}_{0})^2 \rangle = \underbrace{\langle d\omega(t)^2 \rangle}_{dt} = dt$$

$\Rightarrow$  therefore we can generate the random number  $d\omega(t)$  at every time step with

$$\underline{d\omega = \sqrt{dt} \xi}, \text{ with } \langle \xi \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \xi^2 \rangle = 1$$

$\xi$  can be generated from a gaussian distributed random number with mean 0 and variance 1



## 2) Langevin to Fokker-Planck

### Recipe

(A) discretize your Langevin eq.

$$\dot{v}_t = -\frac{1}{\tau_a} v_t + \sqrt{2D_a} \eta_t \longrightarrow v(t+dt) = v(t) - \frac{1}{\tau_a} v(t) dt + \sqrt{2D_a} d\omega(t)$$

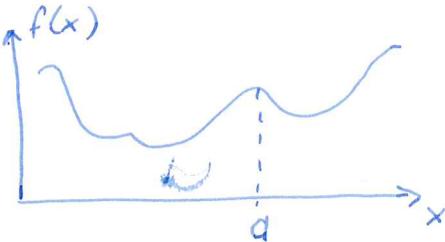
(B) define a test function  $R(v_t)$  such that

$$\langle R(v_t) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \underbrace{P_t(v)}_{\substack{\text{depends} \\ \text{on } t}} \underbrace{R(v)}_{\substack{\text{does not} \\ \text{depend on } t}}$$

(C) consider  $\langle R(v_{t+dt}) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv P_{t+dt}(v) R(v)$

(C.1) Taylor expand  $R(v_{t+dt}) = R(\underbrace{v(t)}_a - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\tau_a} v(t) dt + \sqrt{2D_a} d\omega(t)}_{\epsilon})$

Reminder:



$$\begin{aligned} T f(x; a) &= T f_a(\underbrace{x}_{\substack{\text{Taylor exp.} \\ \text{of } f(x) \text{ around} \\ x=a}} + E) \\ &= f(a) + f'(a)E + \frac{f''(a)}{2} E^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$= f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

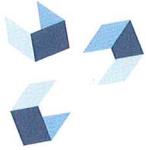
$$+ \frac{f''(a)}{2} (x-a)^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow R(v_{t+dt}) = R(v_t) - R'(v_t) \frac{1}{\tau_a} v_t dt + R'(v_t) \sqrt{2D_a} d\omega(t)$$

$$+ \frac{R''(v_t)}{2} \frac{1}{\tau_a^2} v_t^2 dt^2 + \frac{R''(v_t)}{2} D_a d\omega(t)^2 - \frac{R''(v_t)}{2} \frac{1}{\tau_a} v_t dt \sqrt{2D_a} c$$

+ ...

Eg. C.1



C.2

split  $\langle R(v_{t+dt}) \rangle$  into average ~~noise~~

a) over the possible histories just until time  $t$

$$\langle f(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv f(v) P_t(v)$$

b) & the noise at  $t$  (which is  $d\omega_t$ ) that leads to the state at  $t+dt$

with C.1

$$\langle d\omega_t \rangle_{d\omega}$$

see page 2 for definition

$$\Rightarrow \langle R(v_{t+dt}) \rangle = \langle \langle E_q \text{ C.1} \rangle \rangle_{d\omega}$$

$$= \langle R(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} - \langle R'(v_t) v_t \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} \frac{1}{2} \tau_a dt + \sqrt{2 D_a} \langle R'(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} \underbrace{\langle d\omega(t) \rangle_{d\omega}}_0$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \tau_a^2 dt^2 \underbrace{\langle R''(v_t) v_t^2 \rangle}_{0 \text{ for } dt \rightarrow 0} + D_a \langle R''(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} \underbrace{\langle d\omega(t)^2 \rangle_{d\omega}}_{dt}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \tau_a dt \sqrt{2 D_a} \underbrace{\langle R''(v_t) v_t \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} \langle d\omega_t \rangle_{d\omega}}_0$$

$$= \langle R(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} - \frac{1}{\tau_a} dt \langle R'(v_t) v_t \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} + D_a dt \langle R''(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t}$$

Eq. C.2

in  $R$  (e.g.  $R'$  &  $R''$ )

C.3 we get rid of all the derivatives in the above expressions by integration by parts

$$\hookrightarrow \int_a^b u(x) v'(x) dx = [u(x)v(x)]_a^b - \int_a^b u'(x)v(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle R'(v_t) v_t \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R'(v) v P_t(v) \\ &= \underbrace{\left[ R(v) v P_t(v) \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty}} - \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R(v) \frac{d}{dv} [v P_t(v)]}_{=0, \text{ as } P_t(\pm\infty)=0} \quad (\text{Eq C.3.1}) \\ &\quad [\text{v is confined in } u(x) ?] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle R''(v_t) \rangle_{H \rightarrow t} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R''(v) P_t(v) \\ &= \underbrace{\left[ R'(v) P_t(v) \right]_{v=-\infty}^{\infty}} - \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R'(v) \frac{d}{dv} [P_t(v)]}_{=0, \text{ see above}} \\ &= - \underbrace{\left[ R'(v) \frac{d}{dv} [P_t(v)] \right]_{v=+\infty}^{\infty}} + \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R(v) \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)}_{=0, \text{ similar argument as above}} \quad (\text{Eq. C.3.2}) \end{aligned}$$

~~DO NOT~~

C.4 put (Eq C.3.1) & (Eq C.3.2) in (Eq C.2) & exprm  
 (Eq. C.2) only with integrals

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R(v) P_{t+dt}(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \quad R(v) \left[ P_t(v) + \frac{1}{\tau_a} dt \frac{d}{dv} [v P_t(v)] + D_a dt \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v) \right]$$



$$P_{t+dt}(v) = P_t(v) + \frac{1}{\tau_a} dt \frac{d}{dv} [v P_t(v)] + D_a dt \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{P_{t+dt}(v) - P_t(v)}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_a} \frac{d}{dv} [v P_t(v)] + D_a \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)$$

$dt \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{dP_t(v)}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_a} \frac{d}{dv} (v P_t(v)) + D_a \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)$$

unconfined

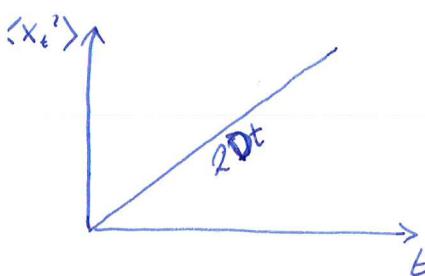
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP_t(v)}{dt} = D_a \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)$$

$x=v$

$$P_t(x) = \frac{e^{-x^2/4Dt}}{\sqrt{4\pi Dt}}$$

$$\langle x_t \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x P_t(x) = 0$$

$$\langle x_t^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x^2 P_t(x) = 2Dt$$



confined

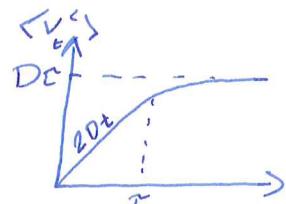
$$\frac{dP_t(v)}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_a} \frac{d}{dv} (v P_t(v)) + D_a \frac{d^2}{dv^2} P_t(v)$$

$$P_t(v) = \frac{e^{-\frac{v^2}{4A_t}}}{\sqrt{4\pi A_t}}, \quad A_t = \frac{D\tau}{2} (1 - e^{-\frac{2t}{\tau}})$$

$$\langle v_t \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_t^2 \rangle &= 2A_t \\ &= D\tau (1 - e^{-\frac{2t}{\tau}}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 2Dt & \text{for } t \ll \tau \\ D\tau & \text{for } t \gg \tau \end{cases}$$



Langevin eq.  $\xrightarrow{\text{always}}$  Fokker-Planck  
 $\xleftarrow{\text{not always}}$   
 e.g. if  $F \neq -\nabla U(x)$

condition: jumps in one time step are small & continuous time & space  
 $\xleftrightarrow{\text{discretize space of configs.}}$  Master eq.  
always