

# Biased and flow driven Brownian motion in confined geometries

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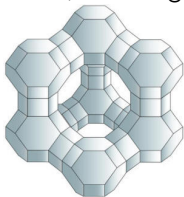
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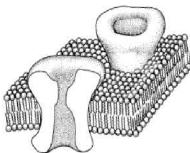


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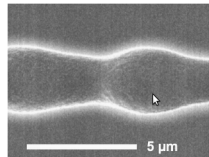
- interest in mass transport through confined structures such as porous media, zeolites, and irregular pores



<http://www.explainthatstuff.com/zeolites.html>



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- *until now*: within the Fick-Jacobs approach <sup>1</sup> effective description of biased Brownian particles suspended in an **unmovable fluid** <sup>2 3</sup>
- experimentally relevant situation: **flow driven** separation of macro-molecules, colloids <sup>4</sup>, and DNA <sup>5</sup>

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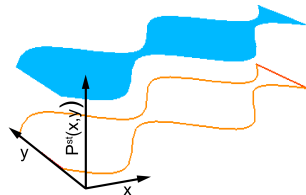
with no-flux boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{q}, t) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{q} \in \text{channel wall},$$

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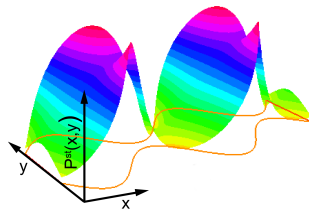
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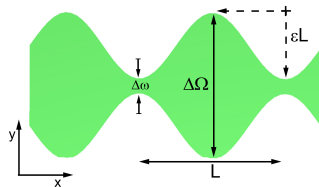
PDF for  $\Delta p = 100$  and  $f = 10, \Delta \Omega = 1$  and  $\Delta \omega = 0.1$ .



# Long-wave analysis

- series expansion in the geometric parameter  $\varepsilon$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta\Omega - \Delta\omega}{L}$$



- new scaling  $y \rightarrow y/\varepsilon$ ,  $u^y \rightarrow u^y/\varepsilon$ , and  $\omega_{\pm}(x) \rightarrow \varepsilon h_{\pm}(x)$
- perturbation series in the geometric parameter  $\varepsilon$

$$u^x = u_0^x + \varepsilon u_1^x + \dots,$$

$$u^y = u_0^y + \varepsilon u_1^y + \dots,$$

$$\text{pressure : } p = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} p_0 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} p_1 + \dots,$$

$$\text{prob.density : } P^{\text{st}} = P_0^{\text{st}} + \varepsilon^2 P_1^{\text{st}} + \dots,$$

- exact solution for  $p_0$ ,  $u_0^x$ , and  $u_0^y$  can be derived

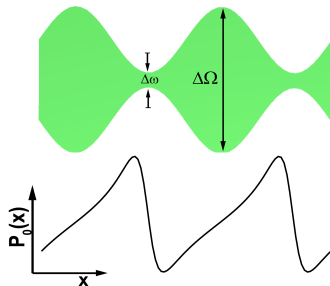


# Extension of Fick-Jacobs approach to solvent flows

- solution of the leading order

$$P_0^{\text{st}}(x) = \int_{h_-(x)}^{h_+(x)} P_0^{\text{st}}(x, y) dy = \frac{e^{-\Psi(x)} \int_x^{x+1} e^{\Psi(x')} dx'}{\int_0^1 dx e^{-\Psi(x)} \int_x^{x+1} e^{\Psi(x')} dx'}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \dot{x}(t) = -\frac{d\Psi(x)}{dx} + \sqrt{2}\xi_x(t)$$



Marginal pdf for  $f = 100$  and  $\Delta p = 100$ .

$\Delta\Omega = 1$  and  $\Delta\omega = 0.1$





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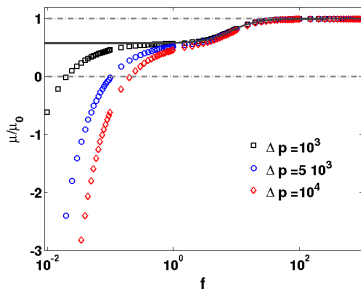
$$-\frac{d\Psi(x)}{dx} = \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x, y) P_{\text{eq}}(y|x) dy}_{\text{mean force by bias + particle-wall interaction}} + \underbrace{\int_{h_-(x)}^{h_+(x)} u_0^x(x, y) P_{\text{eq}}(y|x) dy}_{\text{mean flow drag force}}$$



# Numerical results - particle mobility $\mu$

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Particle mobility versus  $f$ .  $\Delta\Omega = 0.1$ ,  $\Delta\omega = 0.01$ , and  $Re = 0.1$

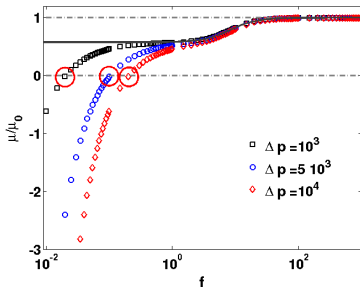
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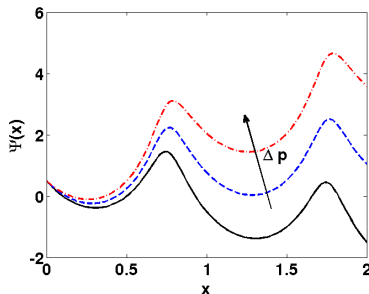
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Effective potential  $\Psi(x)$  for  $f = 0.1$  and  $\Delta p = 0, 5 \cdot 10^3, 10^4$  (from bottom to top).  $\Delta\Omega = 1$ ,  $\Delta\omega = 0.1$ , and  $Re = 0.1$ .

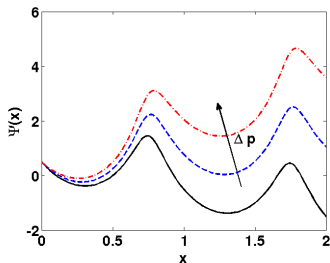
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# Competition between external bias and solvent flow

- mean particle current vanishes if

$$0 = \Delta\Psi = -f - \frac{\Delta p \int_0^1 1/W(x) dx}{12 \int_0^1 1/W(x)^3 dx}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \left(\frac{f}{\Delta p}\right)_{\text{crit}} = - \frac{\int_0^1 1/W(x) dx}{12 \int_0^1 1/W(x)^3 dx}$$



Potential of mean force  $\Psi(x)$



- for sinusoidal channel  $h(x)$

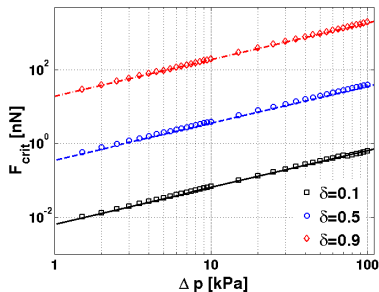
$$\left( \frac{F}{\Delta p} \right)_{\text{crit}} = \frac{\pi d_p (\Delta \Omega)^2}{2 L} \frac{\delta^2}{(3 + 2\delta + 3\delta^2)}$$

Polystyrene beads:

- density  $\rho_p = 2 \text{ g/cm}^3$
- diameter  $d_p = 0.1 - 1 \mu\text{m}$
- charge  $q = 10^4 |e|$ ,  $E = 10^4 \text{ V/m}$   
 $\hookrightarrow F = 0.1 \text{ nN}$
- $k_B T = 4 \text{ fN } \mu\text{m}$  [ $T = 20^\circ \text{ C}$ ]

Channel geometry:

- period  $L = 200 \mu\text{m}$
- $\Delta \Omega = 40 \mu\text{m}$



Critical force magnitude versus pressure drop  $\Delta p$



# Summary

- present expansion of Navier-Stokes equation and Fokker-Planck equation in geometric parameter  $\varepsilon \rightarrow$  calculate leading order of  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{q})$  and  $P(\mathbf{q})$

① purely biased driven transport <sup>7</sup>

② purely flow driven transport

- obtain  $P(\mathbf{q}) = 1/A_{\text{unit-cell}}$  and analytic expression for  $\langle \dot{x} \rangle_0$  and  $D_{\text{eff}}/D_0$

③ combined biased and flow driven transport

- effective description where particle evolve in potential of mean force

$$\Psi(x) = A(x) - \int_0^x \left[ \int_{h_-(x)}^{h_+(x)} u_0^x(x, y) P_{\text{eq}}(y|x) \right]$$

- it exist critical ratio  $(f/\Delta p)_{\text{crit}}$  where both drag forces anihilate each other
- numerics show that results are also **valid for  $\varepsilon \simeq 1$**

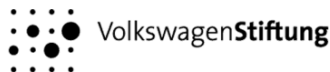
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# Navier-Stokes equation: Zeroth order

- time derivative and convection acceleration are proportional to  $\mathbf{Re}\epsilon^2$

## leading order

$$p_0(x, y) = p_0(0, y) + \Delta p \int_0^x dx \, 1/W(x)^3 / \int_0^1 dx \, 1/W(x)^3 ,$$

$$u_0^x(x, y) = - \frac{p'_0(x)}{2} (h_+(x) - y) (y - h_-(x)) ,$$

$$u_0^y(x, y) = - \frac{1}{12} \partial_x \left[ p'_0(x) (y - h_-(x))^2 (3h_+(x) - h_-(x) - 2y) \right]$$

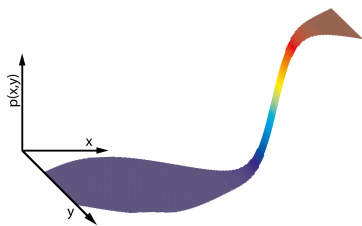
- pressure drop over period  $\Delta p = p(x+1, y) - p(x, y)$
- local channel width  $W(x) = h_+(x) - h_-(x)$



- exemplarily taken boundary function

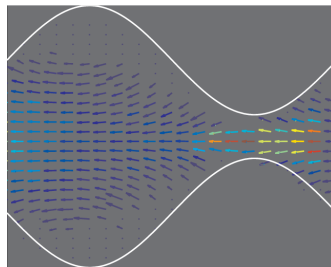
$$h_{\pm}(x) = \pm h(x) = \pm \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\Delta\Omega + \Delta\omega}{\Delta\Omega - \Delta\omega} + \sin(2\pi x) \right)$$

width aspect ratio  $\delta = \Delta\omega/\Delta\Omega$



Pressure profile  $p(x, y)$  for  $\Delta p = 10^3$ .

$\Delta\Omega = 1, \Delta\omega = 0.1$ , and  $Re = 0.1$



Solvent velocity  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{q})$ .

$\Delta\Omega = 1, \Delta\omega = 0.1$ ,  $\Delta p = 10^3$ , and  $Re = 0.1$

