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# Longtime convergence of some diffusion processes in molecular dynamics

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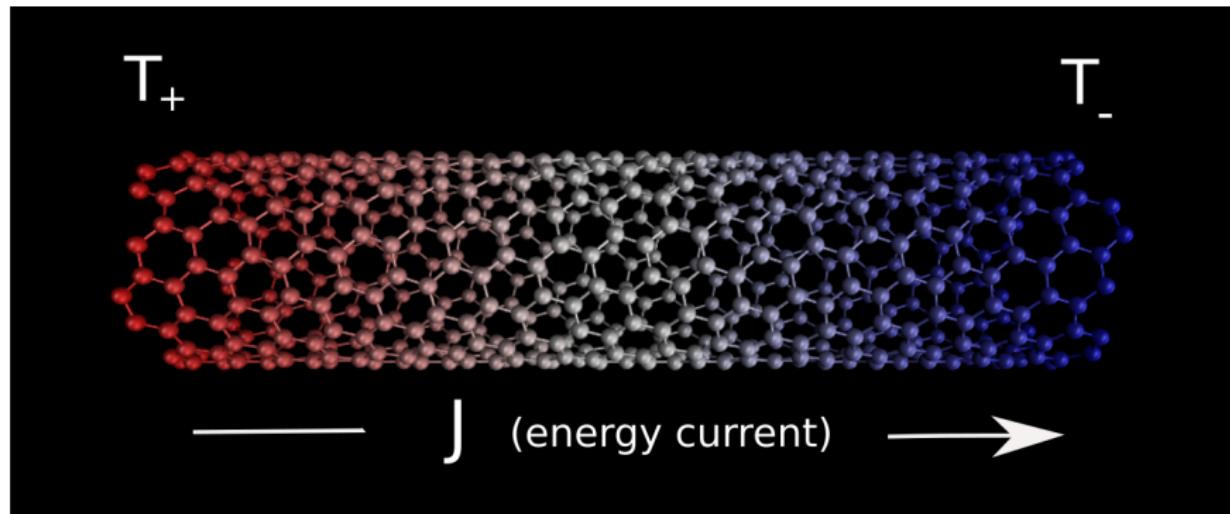
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# Computational statistical physics

# Computational statistical physics (1)

- Aims of computational statistical physics

- numerical microscope
- computation of **average properties**, static or dynamic



"Given the structure and the laws of interaction of the particles, what are the **macroscopic properties** of the matter composed of these particles?"

# Computational statistical physics (2)

- Macrostate of the system described by a probability measure

Equilibrium thermodynamic properties (pressure, . . . )

$$\mathbb{E}_\mu(\varphi) = \int_{\mathcal{E}} \varphi(q, p) \mu(dq dp)$$

- Choice of thermodynamic ensemble

- least biased measure compatible with the observed macroscopic data
- Volume, energy, number of particles, ... fixed exactly or in average
- Equivalence of ensembles (as  $N \rightarrow +\infty$ )

- Canonical ensemble = measure on  $(q, p)$ , average energy fixed  $H$

$$\mu_{\text{NVT}}(dq dp) = Z_{\text{NVT}}^{-1} e^{-\beta H(q,p)} dq dp$$

with  $\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$  the Lagrange multiplier of the constraint  $\int_{\mathcal{E}} H \rho dq dp = E_0$

# Langevin dynamics (1)

- Positions  $q \in \mathcal{D} = (L\mathbb{T})^d$  or  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and momenta  $p \in \mathbb{R}^d$   
→ phase-space  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{D} \times \mathbb{R}^d$
- **Hamiltonian**  $H(q, p) = V(q) + \frac{1}{2}p^T M^{-1} p$

Stochastic perturbation of the Hamiltonian dynamics

$$\begin{cases} dq_t = M^{-1} p_t dt \\ dp_t = -\nabla V(q_t) dt - \gamma M^{-1} p_t dt + \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{\beta}} dW_t \end{cases}$$

- Given (known) **friction**  $\gamma > 0$  (could be a position-dependent matrix)

## Langevin dynamics (2)

- Evolution semigroup  $(e^{t\mathcal{L}}\varphi)(q, p) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \varphi(q_t, p_t) \mid (q_0, p_0) = (q, p) \right]$
- Generator of the dynamics  $\mathcal{L}$   
$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \mathbb{E} \left[ \varphi(q_t, p_t) \mid (q_0, p_0) = (q, p) \right] \right) = \mathbb{E} \left[ (\mathcal{L}\varphi)(q_t, p_t) \mid (q_0, p_0) = (q, p) \right]$$

Generator of the Langevin dynamics  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}} + \gamma \mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}} = p^T M^{-1} \nabla_q - \nabla V^T \nabla_p, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}} = -p^T M^{-1} \nabla_p + \frac{1}{\beta} \Delta_p$$

- Existence and uniqueness of the invariant measure characterized by

$$\forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\mathcal{E}), \quad \int_{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{L}\varphi \, d\mu = 0$$

- Here, **canonical measure**

$$\mu(dq \, dp) = Z^{-1} e^{-\beta H(q, p)} \, dq \, dp = \nu(dq) \, \kappa(dp)$$

# Fokker–Planck equations

- Evolution of the law  $\psi(t, q, p)$  of the process at time  $t \geq 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \int_{\mathcal{E}} \varphi \psi(t) \right) = \int_{\mathcal{E}} (\mathcal{L}\varphi) \psi(t)$$

- Fokker–Planck equation (with  $\mathcal{L}^\dagger$  adjoint of  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $L^2(\mathcal{E})$ )

$$\partial_t \psi = \mathcal{L}^\dagger \psi$$

- It is convenient to work in  $L^2(\mu)$  with  $f(t) = \psi(t)/\mu$

- denote the adjoint of  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $L^2(\mu)$  by  $\mathcal{L}^*$

$$\mathcal{L}^* = -\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}} + \gamma \mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}}$$

- Fokker–Planck equation  $\partial_t f = \mathcal{L}^* f$
- Convergence results for  $e^{t\mathcal{L}}$  on  $L^2(\mu)$  are very similar to the ones for  $e^{t\mathcal{L}^*}$

# Hamiltonian and overdamped limits

- As  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ , the **Hamiltonian** dynamics is recovered
- **Overdamped** limit  $\gamma \rightarrow +\infty$  (or masses going to 0)

$$\begin{aligned} q_{\gamma t} - q_0 &= -\frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^{\gamma t} \nabla V(q_s) ds + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\gamma \beta}} W_{\gamma t} - \frac{1}{\gamma} (p_{\gamma t} - p_0) \\ &= - \int_0^t \nabla V(q_{\gamma s}) ds + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}} B_t - \frac{1}{\gamma} (p_{\gamma t} - p_0) \end{aligned}$$

which converges to the solution of  $dQ_t = -\nabla V(Q_t) dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}} dB_t$

- In both cases, **slow convergence to equilibrium**
  - it takes time to change energy levels in the Hamiltonian limit<sup>1</sup>
  - for fixed masses, time has to be rescaled by a factor  $\gamma$

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<sup>1</sup>Hairer and Pavliotis, *J. Stat. Phys.*, **131**(1), 175-202 (2008)

# Ergodicity results for Langevin dynamics (1)

- Almost-sure convergence<sup>2</sup> of ergodic averages  $\hat{\varphi}_t = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \varphi(q_s, p_s) ds$
- Asymptotic variance of ergodic averages

$$\sigma_\varphi^2 = \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} t \mathbb{E} [\hat{\varphi}_t^2] = 2 \int_{\mathcal{E}} (-\mathcal{L}^{-1} \mathcal{P} \varphi) \mathcal{P} \varphi d\mu$$

where  $\mathcal{P} \varphi = \varphi - \mathbb{E}_\mu(\varphi)$

- A central limit theorem holds<sup>3</sup> when the equation has a solution in  $L^2(\mu)$

Poisson equation in  $L^2(\mu)$

$$-\mathcal{L}\Phi = \mathcal{P}\varphi$$

- Well-posedness of such equations?

<sup>2</sup>Kliemann, *Ann. Probab.* **15**(2), 690-707 (1987)

<sup>3</sup>Bhattacharya, *Z. Wahrsch. Verw. Gebiete* **60**, 185–201 (1982)

## Ergodicity results for Langevin dynamics (2)

- **Invertibility** of  $\mathcal{L}$  on subsets of  $L_0^2(\mu) = \left\{ \varphi \in L^2(\mu) \mid \int_{\mathcal{E}} \varphi d\mu = 0 \right\}$ ?

$$-\mathcal{L}^{-1} = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{t\mathcal{L}} dt$$

- Prove **exponential convergence** of the semigroup  $e^{t\mathcal{L}}$

- various Banach spaces  $E \cap L_0^2(\mu)$
- Lyapunov techniques<sup>4</sup>  $B_W^\infty(\mathcal{E}) = \left\{ \varphi \text{ measurable, } \sup \left| \frac{\varphi}{W} \right| < +\infty \right\}$
- standard hypocoercive<sup>5</sup> setup  $H^1(\mu)$
- $E = L^2(\mu)$  after hypoelliptic regularization<sup>6</sup> from  $H^1(\mu)$
- Directly  $E = L^2(\mu)$  (recently<sup>7</sup> Poincaré using  $\partial_t - \mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}$ )
- coupling arguments<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>4</sup>Wu ('01); Mattingly/Stuart/Higham ('02); Rey-Bellet ('06); Hairer/Mattingly ('11)

<sup>5</sup>Villani (2009) and before Talay (2002), Eckmann/Hairer (2003), Hérau/Nier (2004)

<sup>6</sup>F. Hérau, *J. Funct. Anal.* **244**(1), 95-118 (2007)

<sup>7</sup>Armstrong/Mourrat (2019), Cao/Lu/Wang (2019)

<sup>8</sup>A. Eberle, A. Guillin and R. Zimmer, *Ann. Probab.* **47**(4), 1982-2010 (2019)

# Convergence of overdamped Langevin dynamics

# Overdamped Langevin dynamics and its generator

- Generator of Langevin dynamics (advection/diffusion)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}} = -\nabla V(q) \cdot \nabla_q + \frac{1}{\beta} \Delta_q = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^d \partial_{q_i}^* \partial_{q_i}$$

hence **self-adjoint on  $L^2(\nu)$**  with  $\nu(dq) = Z_\nu^{-1} e^{-\beta V(q)} dq$ . Indeed,

$$\int_{\mathcal{D}} (\partial_{q_i} \varphi) \phi \, d\nu = - \int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi (\partial_{q_i} \phi) \, d\nu - \int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi \phi \partial_{q_i} \nu$$

so that  $\partial_{q_i}^* = -\partial_{q_i} + \beta \partial_{q_i} V$

- Generator unitarily equivalent to a Schrödinger operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$-\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{ovd}} = \frac{1}{\beta} \Delta + \mathcal{V}, \quad \mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\beta}{2} |\nabla V|^2 - \Delta V \right)$$

by considering  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{ovd}} g = \nu^{1/2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}} (\nu^{-1/2} g)$

# Time evolution and decay estimates

- Solution  $\varphi(t) = e^{t\mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}}}\varphi_0$  to  $\partial_t\varphi(t) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}}\varphi(t)$ : mass preservation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi(t) \nu \right) = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}}\varphi(t) \nu = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi(t) (\mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}}\mathbf{1}) \nu = 0$$

- Suggests the longtime limit  $\varphi(t) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow +\infty]{} \int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi_0 \nu$

- Can assume w.l.o.g. that  $\int_{\mathcal{D}} \varphi_0 \nu = 0$  (subspace  $L_0^2(\nu)$  of  $L^2(\nu)$ )

- Decay estimate

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi(t)\|_{L^2(\nu)}^2 \right) = \langle \mathcal{L}_{\text{ovd}}\varphi(t), \varphi(t) \rangle_{L^2(\nu)} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \|\nabla_q \varphi(t)\|_{L^2(\nu)}^2$$

# Poincaré inequality and convergence of the semigroup

- Assume that a Poincaré inequality holds:

$$\forall \phi \in H^1(\nu) \cap L_0^2(\nu), \quad \|\phi\|_{L^2(\nu)} \leq \frac{1}{K_\nu} \|\nabla_q \phi\|_{L^2(\nu)}$$

Various sufficient conditions ( $V$  uniformly convex,  $\mathcal{V}$  confining, etc)

## Exponential decay of the semigroup

$\nu$  satisfies a Poincaré inequality with constant  $K_\nu > 0$  if and only if

$$\|\mathrm{e}^{t\mathcal{L}}\|_{\mathcal{B}(L_0^2(\nu))} \leq \mathrm{e}^{-K_\nu^2 t / \beta}.$$

**Proof:** [Gronwall inequality](#)  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi(t)\|_{L^2(\nu)}^2 \right) \leq -\frac{K_\nu^2}{\beta} \|\varphi(t)\|_{L^2(\nu)}^2$

## Several remarks:

- The prefactor for the exponential convergence is 1
- The convergence rate is not degraded when one adds an **antisymmetric part**  $\mathcal{A} = F \cdot \nabla$  to  $\mathcal{L}$  (with  $\operatorname{div}(F \mathrm{e}^{-\beta V}) = 0$ )

# Longtime convergence of hypocoercive ODEs

# A paradigmatic example of hypocoercive ODE

- ODE  $\dot{X} = LX \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with (for  $\gamma > 0$ )

$$-L = A + \gamma S, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- **Structure of  $-L$ :**

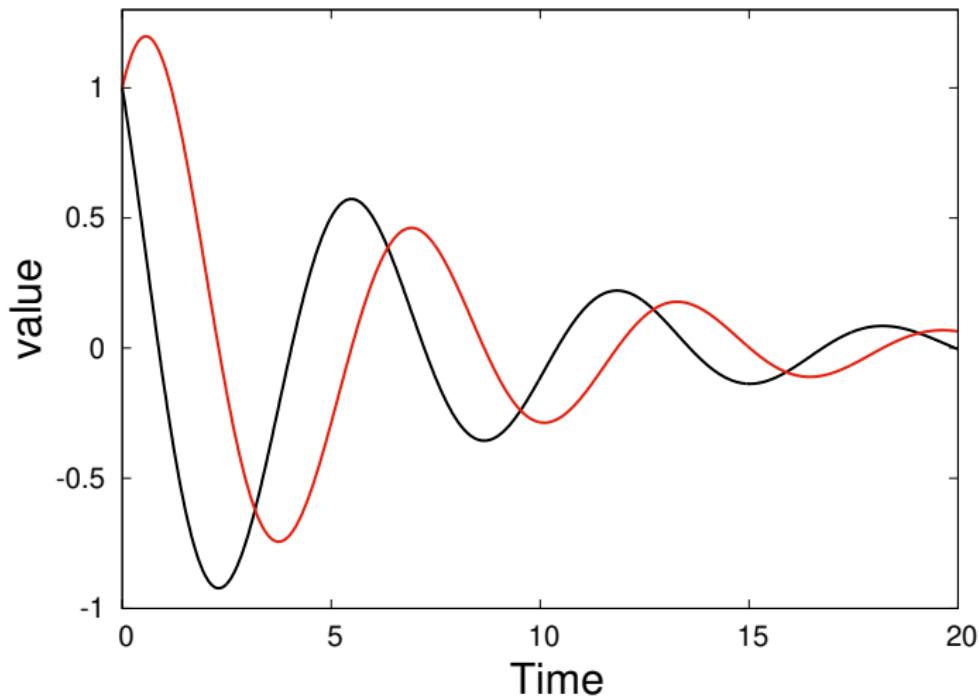
- **Degenerate** symmetric part  $S \geq 0$
- Antisymmetric part  $A$  coupling the kernel and the image of  $S$
- Smallest real part of eigenvalues (**spectral gap**) of order  $\min(\gamma, \gamma^{-1})$   
determinant 1, trace  $\gamma$ , so eigenvalues  $\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{\gamma}{2} \pm \left( \frac{\gamma^2}{4} - 1 \right)^{1/2}$

- **Longtime convergence of  $e^{tL}$ ?** Use  $e^{tL} = U^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t\lambda_+} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t\lambda_-} \end{pmatrix} U$

Decay rate provided by the spectral gap  $\lambda = \min\{\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_-), \operatorname{Re}(\lambda_+)\}$

$$X(t) = e^{tL} X(0), \quad |X(t)| \leq C e^{-\lambda t} |X(0)|$$

# Longtime convergence of hypocoercive ODE: illustration



Values  $X_1(t), X_2(t)$  for  $X(0) = (1, 1)$  and  $\gamma = 0.5$

# Longtime convergence of this hypocoercive ODE (1)

- “Elliptic PDE way”:  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} |X(t)|^2 \right) = -\gamma X(t)^T S X(t) = -\gamma X_2(t)^2$

No dissipation in  $X_1 \dots$  cannot conclude that  $|X(t)|$  converges to 0...

- Change the scalar product with  $P$  positive definite:

$$|X|_P^2 = X^T P X, \quad \frac{d}{dt} (|X(t)|_P^2) = X(t)^T (PL + L^T P) X(t)$$

- Fundamental idea: couple  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Start perturbatively:

$$P = \text{Id} - \varepsilon \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{so that } -(PL + L^T P) = 2\gamma PS + 2\varepsilon \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \sim 2 \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

This provides some (small...) dissipation in  $X_1$ !

## Longtime convergence of this hypocoercive ODE (2)

- Optimal choice<sup>9</sup> for  $P$ ? Think of " $L^T P \geq \lambda P$ " and diagonalize  $L^T$

$$P = a_- X_- \bar{X}_-^T + a_+ X_+ \bar{X}_+^T, \quad a_\pm > 0, \quad L^T X_\pm = \lambda_\pm X_\pm$$

Then  $-(PL + L^T P) \geq 2\lambda P$

- Therefore,  $|X(t)|_P^2 \leq e^{-2\lambda t} |X_0|_P^2$ , and so, by equivalence of scalar products,

$$|X(t)| \leq \min \left( 1, C e^{-\lambda t} \right) |X_0|$$

**Decay rate given by spectral gap + bound from degenerate dissipation**

- Prefactor  $C \geq 1$  really needed!

Exponential convergence with  $C = 1$  if and only if  $-L$  is coercive (i.e.  $-X^T L X \geq \alpha |X|^2$  with  $\alpha > 0$ )

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<sup>9</sup>F. Achleitner, A. Arnold, and D. Stürzer, *Riv. Math. Univ. Parma*, 6(1):1–68, 2015.

# Convergence of Langevin dynamics

## Direct $L^2(\mu)$ approach: lack of coercivity

- The generator, considered on  $L^2(\mu)$ , is the sum of...
  - a **degenerate** symmetric part  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}} = -p^T M^{-1} \nabla_p + \frac{1}{\beta} \Delta_p$
  - an **antisymmetric** part  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}} = p^T M^{-1} \nabla_q - \nabla V^T \nabla_p$
- Standard strategy for coercive generators: consider  $\varphi$  with average 0 with respect to  $\mu$  and compute

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \left( \|e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 \right) &= \langle e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi, \mathcal{L} e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\mu)} = \langle e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi, \mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}} e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi \rangle_{L^2(\mu)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\beta} \|\nabla_p e^{t\mathcal{L}} \varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 \leq 0,\end{aligned}$$

but no control of  $\|\phi\|_{L^2(\mu)}$  by  $\|\nabla_p \phi\|_{L^2(\mu)}$  for a Gronwall estimate...

- **Change of scalar product** in order to use the antisymmetric part

## Almost direct $L^2(\mu)$ approach: convergence result

- Assume that the potential  $V$  is **smooth** and<sup>10,11</sup>

- the marginal measure  $\nu$  satisfies a **Poincaré** inequality

$$\|\mathcal{P}\varphi\|_{L^2(\nu)} \leq \frac{1}{K_\nu} \|\nabla_q \varphi\|_{L^2(\nu)}$$

- there exist  $c_1 > 0$ ,  $c_2 \in [0, 1)$  and  $c_3 > 0$  such that  $V$  satisfies

$$\Delta V \leq c_1 + \frac{c_2}{2} |\nabla V|^2, \quad |\nabla^2 V| \leq c_3 (1 + |\nabla V|)$$

There exist  $C > 0$  and  $\lambda_\gamma > 0$  such that, for any  $\varphi \in L_0^2(\mu)$ ,

$$\forall t \geq 0, \quad \|e^{t\mathcal{L}}\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)} \leq C e^{-\lambda_\gamma t} \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}$$

with convergence rate of order  $\min(\gamma, \gamma^{-1})$ : there exists  $\bar{\lambda} > 0$  such that

$$\lambda_\gamma \geq \bar{\lambda} \min(\gamma, \gamma^{-1})$$

<sup>10</sup>Dolbeault, Mouhot and Schmeiser, *C. R. Math. Acad. Sci. Paris* (2009)

<sup>11</sup>Dolbeault, Mouhot and Schmeiser, *Trans. AMS*, **367**, 3807–3828 (2015)

## Sketch of proof (1)

- Change of scalar product to use the antisymmetric part  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}$ :

- bilinear form  $\mathcal{H}[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2}\|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 - \varepsilon \langle R\varphi, \varphi \rangle$  with<sup>12</sup>

$$R = \left(1 + (\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)^*(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)\right)^{-1}(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)^*, \quad \Pi_0\varphi = \int_{v \in \mathbb{R}^d} \varphi d\kappa$$

- $R = \Pi_0 R(1 - \Pi_0)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}R$  are bounded
- modified square norm  $\mathcal{H} \sim \|\cdot\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2$  for  $\varepsilon \in (-1, 1)$
- Approach less quantitative (optimize scalar product)

- Interest:  $(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)^*(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0) = \beta^{-1}\nabla_q^*\nabla_q$  coercive in  $q$ , and

$$R\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0 = \frac{(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)^*(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)}{1 + (\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)^*(\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0)}$$

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<sup>12</sup>Hérau (2006), Dolbeault/Mouhot/Schmeiser (2009, 2015), ...

## Sketch of proof (2)

- Recall Poincaré inequalities:  $\nabla_p^* \nabla_p \geq K_\kappa^2 (1 - \Pi_0)$  and  $\nabla_q^* \nabla_q \geq K_\nu^2 \Pi_0$

Coercivity in the scalar product  $\langle\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle\rangle$  induced by  $\mathcal{H}$

$$\mathcal{D}[\varphi] := \langle\langle -\mathcal{L}\varphi, \varphi \rangle\rangle \geq \lambda \|\varphi\|^2$$

- Upon controlling the remainder terms (some **elliptic estimates**)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}[\varphi] &= \gamma \langle -\mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}}\varphi, \varphi \rangle + \varepsilon \langle R\mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}\Pi_0\varphi, \varphi \rangle + O(\gamma\varepsilon) \\ &= \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \|\nabla_p \varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 + \varepsilon \left\langle \frac{\nabla_q^* \nabla_q}{\beta + \nabla_q^* \nabla_q} \Pi_0 \varphi, \Pi_0 \varphi \right\rangle + O(\gamma\varepsilon) \\ &\geq \frac{\gamma K_\kappa^2}{\beta} \|(1 - \Pi_0)\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 + \frac{\varepsilon K_\nu^2}{\beta + K_\nu^2} \|\Pi_0 \varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2 + O(\gamma\varepsilon)\end{aligned}$$

- Gronwall inequality  $\frac{d}{dt} (\mathcal{H} [e^{t\mathcal{L}}\varphi]) = -\mathcal{D} [e^{t\mathcal{L}}\varphi] \leq -\frac{2\lambda}{1+\varepsilon} \mathcal{H} [e^{t\mathcal{L}}\varphi]$

# Obtaining directly bounds on the resolvent (1)

- “Saddle-point like” structure for typical hypocoercive operators on  $L_0^2(\mu)$

$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{A}_{0+} \\ \mathcal{A}_{+0} & \mathcal{L}_{++} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 \oplus \mathcal{H}_+, \quad \mathcal{H}_0 = \Pi_0 \mathcal{H}, \quad \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}$$

Formal inverse with Schur complement  $\mathfrak{S}_0 = \mathcal{A}_{+0}^* \mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{+0}$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{S}_0^{-1} & -\mathfrak{S}_0^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{0+} \mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} \\ -\mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{+0} \mathfrak{S}_0^{-1} & \mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} + \mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{+0} \mathfrak{S}_0^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{0+} \mathcal{L}_{++}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- **Invertibility of  $\mathfrak{S}_0$  is the crucial element:** two ingredients

- $-\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}^*) \geq s\Pi_+ = s(1 - \Pi_0)$  (Poincaré on  $\kappa(dp)$  for Langevin)
- “macroscopic coercivity”  $\|\mathcal{A}_{+0}\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)} \geq a\|\Pi\varphi\|_{L^2(\mu)}$   
Amounts to  $\mathcal{A}_{+0}^* \mathcal{A}_{+0} \geq a^2 \Pi_0$   
Guaranteed here by a Poincaré inequality for  $\nu(dq)$ , with  $a^2 = K_\nu^2/\beta$

## Obtaining directly bounds on the resolvent (2)

- Further decompose  $\mathcal{L}$  using  $\Pi_1 = \mathcal{A}_{+0} (\mathcal{A}_{+0}^* \mathcal{A}_{+0})^{-1} \mathcal{A}_{+0}^*$

$$\mathcal{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{A}_{01} & 0 \\ \mathcal{A}_{10} & \mathcal{L}_{11} & \mathcal{L}_{12} \\ 0 & \mathcal{L}_{21} & \mathcal{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{A}_{01} = -\mathcal{A}_{10}^*.$$

- Additional technical assumptions ( $\mathcal{S} = \gamma \mathcal{L}_{\text{FD}}$  symmetric part):

- There exists an involution  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  such that

$$\mathcal{R}\Pi_0 = \Pi_0\mathcal{R} = \Pi_0, \quad \mathcal{R}\mathcal{S}\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{S}, \quad \mathcal{R}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{R} = -\mathcal{A}$$

- The operators  $\mathcal{S}_{11}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{21}\mathcal{A}_{10}(\mathcal{A}_{+0}^*\mathcal{A}_{+0})^{-1}$  are bounded

### Abstract resolvent estimates

$$\|\mathcal{L}^{-1}\| \leq 2 \left( \frac{\|\mathcal{S}_{11}\|}{a^2} + \frac{\|\mathcal{R}_{22}\| \|\mathcal{L}_{21}\mathcal{A}_{10}(\mathcal{A}_{+0}^*\mathcal{A}_{+0})^{-1}\|^2}{s} \right) + \frac{3}{s}$$

## Scaling with the friction and the dimension

- Final estimate for Fokker–Planck operators: scaling  $\max(\gamma, \gamma^{-1})$

$$\|\mathcal{L}^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{B}(L_0^2(\mu))} \leq \frac{2\beta\gamma}{K_\nu^2} + \frac{4}{\gamma} \left( \frac{3}{4} + \left\| \Pi_+ \mathcal{L}_{\text{ham}}^2 \Pi_0 (\mathcal{A}_{+0}^* \mathcal{A}_{+0})^{-1} \right\|^2 \right)$$

- Estimate  $2(C + C' K_\nu^{-2})$  for operator norm on r.h.s.

- $C = 1$  and  $C' = 0$  when  $V$  is convex;
- $C = 1$  and  $C' = K$  when  $\nabla_q^2 V \geq -K \text{Id}$  for some  $K \geq 0$ ;
- $C = 2$  and  $C' = O(\sqrt{d})$  when  $\Delta V \leq c_1 d + \frac{c_2 \beta}{2} |\nabla V|^2$  (with  $c_2 \leq 1$ )  
and  $|\nabla^2 V|^2 \leq c_3^2 (d + |\nabla V|^2)$

- Better scaling  $C' = O(\log d)$  when logarithmic Sobolev inequality and

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \|\nabla^2 V(q)\|_{\mathcal{B}(\ell^2)} \leq c_3 (1 + |\nabla V(q)|_\infty)$$

# Generalizations/perspectives for direct resolvent estimates

- **Approach works for other hypocoercive dynamics<sup>13</sup>**

- non-quadratic kinetic energies
- linear Boltzmann/randomized HMC
- adaptive Langevin dynamics (additional Nosé–Hoover part)

- **Some work needed to extend it to more degenerate dynamics**

- generalized Langevin dynamics
- chains of oscillators

- **Current work also on obtaining...**

- resolvent estimates  $(i\omega - \mathcal{L})^{-1}$
- space-time Poincaré inequalities with our algebraic framework

$$\left\| f - \langle f, \mathbf{1} \rangle_{L^2(\tilde{\mu}_T)} \right\|_{L^2(\tilde{\mu}_T)} \leq C_{1,T} \| (1 - \Pi) f \|_{L^2(\tilde{\mu}_T)} + C_{2,T} \| (1 - \mathcal{S})^{-1/2} (-\partial_t + \mathcal{A}) f \|_{L^2(\tilde{\mu}_T)}$$

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