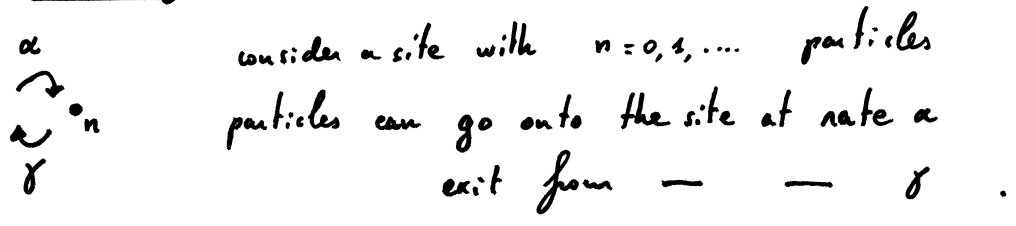


Exercise 1 : Mapping between equilibrium and non-equilibrium

1.1 - Describing the contact with a reservoir -



1.1.a- Justify that the probability distribution  $P(n,t)$  evolves with  

$$\partial_t P(n,t) = \alpha P(n-1,t) + \gamma(n+1)P(n+1,t) - (\alpha + \gamma n)P(n,t)$$

b- We introduce states  $|n\rangle$ , operators  $a, a^\dagger$  with  $a|n\rangle = n|n-1\rangle$   
 And  $|P(t)\rangle = \sum_n P(n,t)|n\rangle$   $a^\dagger|n\rangle = |n+1\rangle$

Show in detail that the evolution operator  $W$  such that  $\partial_t |P(t)\rangle = W|P\rangle$   
 is:  $W = \alpha a^\dagger + \gamma a - (\alpha + \gamma \hat{n})$  with  $\hat{n} = a^\dagger a$

c- Interpret each of the terms of this operator.

d- We now take  $s$  conjugated to  $K = \text{total activity}$ , and introduce  $\hat{P}(n,s,t) = \sum_K P(n,K,t) e^{-sK}$ .

Write (you don't need to derive the result) the operator  $W_s$  such that  $\partial_t |\hat{P}(s,t)\rangle = W_s |\hat{P}(s,t)\rangle$ .

e- Consider a Poisson distribution  $P_p(n) = e^{-p} \frac{p^n}{n!}$ , and  $|P_p\rangle = \sum_{n \geq 0} P_p(n) |n\rangle$ .  
Compute  $a|P_p\rangle$ , and relate  $a^\dagger|P_p\rangle$  to  $\hat{n}|P_p\rangle$ .

f- Find  $p$  such that  $W|P_p\rangle = 0$ .

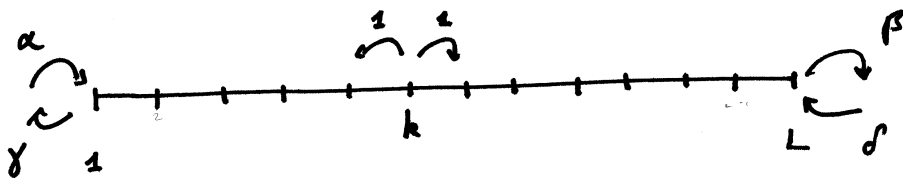
g- Compute  $\langle n \rangle = \sum_n n P_p(n)$

Reminders:  
 $n! = n(n-1)!$   
 $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{p^n}{n!} = e^p$

h- Justify why one can say that "the site is in contact with a reservoir of particle density  $\rho = \frac{\alpha}{\gamma}$ ".

1.2 - A chain in contact with two reservoirs -

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We now consider a system of L sites ( $k=1 \dots L$ ) in contact with two reservoirs (see the figure above). Bulk jump rates are equal to 1.

1.2. a - Justify in full details (without writing the Markov equation) that

$$W = \alpha a_1^+ + \gamma a_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{L-1} [a_k^+ a_{k+1} + a_{k+1}^+ a_k] + \delta a_L^+ + \beta a_L - \left\{ \alpha + \gamma \hat{n}_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{L-1} [\hat{n}_{k+1} + \hat{n}_k] + \delta + \beta \hat{n}_L \right\}$$

[use 1.1-b]

b - What condition do you expect to be required for the system to be in equilibrium? (Don't do any computation; condition is on  $\frac{\alpha}{\gamma}$  and  $\frac{\beta}{\delta}$ )

c - We denote by  $|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_L\rangle$  the state corresponding to the product of Poisson distributions, at every site k of parameter  $\rho_k$ :

$$|\rho_1, \dots, \rho_L\rangle = \sum_{\vec{n}} P_{\rho_1}(n_1) \dots P_{\rho_L}(n_L) |n_1, \dots, n_L\rangle$$

(defined in 1.1-e)

Note that  $a_k$  and  $a_k^+$  act only on site k.

Using 1.1-e, show that, if  $\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} = \frac{\delta}{\beta} = \rho$ , then

$|P_{eq}\rangle = |\rho, \dots, \rho\rangle$  is the steady state (i.e.  $W|P_{eq}\rangle = 0$ ).

d - What happens if  $\frac{\delta}{\beta} \neq \frac{\alpha}{\gamma}$ ? (i.e. is the steady-state simple?)

e - We search for a steady-state of the form  $|P_{st}\rangle = |\rho_1, \dots, \rho_L\rangle$ . Show that the condition for the  $\rho_k$ 's are:

$$\begin{aligned} k=1: \rho_1^{-1} \alpha - \gamma + \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} - 1 &= 0 & k=L: \rho_L^{-1} \delta - \beta + \frac{\rho_{L-1}}{\rho_L} - 1 &= 0 \\ 2 \leq k \leq L-1: \frac{\rho_{k+1}}{\rho_k} + \frac{\rho_{k-1}}{\rho_k} - 2 &= 0 & \text{Hint: consider the coefficients} & \end{aligned}$$

of every  $\hat{n}_k$

1-2-f- Find a solution of the form  $\rho_k = A(k-1) + B$

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g- Determine the mean flow of particle  $\langle n_{k+1} - n_k \rangle$ . Comment!  
Justify that you have found a non-equilibrium steady state

1.3 - Fluctuations of current; mapping between equilibrium and non-equilibrium

1.3.a- Justify that for  $s$  conjugated to the total current  $Q$   
 $Q = \#(\text{jumps } \rightarrow) - \#(\text{jumps } \leftarrow)$  [including those at the boundaries]  
one has:

$$W_s = \alpha e^{-s} a_1^+ + \gamma e^s a_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{L-1} \left[ e^{-s} a_{k+1}^+ a_k + e^s a_k^+ a_{k+1} \right] + \beta e^{-s} a_L + \delta e^s a_L^+ \\ - \left\{ \text{same expression as for } W \text{ in 1.2.a} \right\}$$

b- Using results of p.3.7 of the lecture, find a transformation such that

$$\begin{cases} Q^{-1} a_k^+ Q = z^k a_k^+ \\ Q^{-1} a_k Q = z^{-k} a_k \end{cases}$$

Choose  $z$  (what is its value?) such that

$$Q^{-1} W_s Q = \left( \text{same terms as } W \text{ for } \alpha, \gamma \right) + \left( \text{same terms as } W \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq L-1 \right) + \beta e^{-(L+1)s} a_L + \delta e^{(L+1)s} a_L^+ - \beta \hat{n}_L - \delta$$

c- Consider the l.d.f  $\Psi_2(s)$  for  $s$  conjugated to the current to the reservoir at the ~~left~~ right.

$$\Psi_{\text{tot}}(s) = \max_{\rho} \text{Sp } W_s \quad (\text{total current } Q)$$

Justify that:  $\Psi_{\text{tot}}(s) = \Psi_2((L+1)s)$

What does the "L+1" represents in this identity?

1.3. d. Note that the bulk term (the  $\Sigma$ ) in  $\mathcal{W}$  (ie. @  $s=0$ ) (1.4)  
 rewrites  $-\sum_{k=1}^{L-1} (a_{k+1}^\dagger - a_k^\dagger)(a_{k+1} - a_k) \equiv \mathcal{W}_{\text{bulk}}$  Exam

Using again a similarity transformation of p. 3.7 of the lecture (which one?)  
 to perform  $\begin{cases} Q^{-1} a_k^\dagger Q = a_k^\dagger + x & x \in \mathbb{R} \\ Q^{-1} a_k Q = a_k \end{cases}$

show that [the symbol  $\equiv$  means that spectrum of both side are <sup>the same</sup>]

$$\mathcal{W}_s \equiv \mathcal{E}_0 + \alpha a_1^\dagger + \gamma(1-x)a_1 + \mathcal{W}_{\text{bulk}} + \delta a_L^\dagger e^{+(L+1)s} + \beta(e^{-(L+1)s} - x)a_L$$

$\uparrow$   
 constant to find  $-\{\alpha + \gamma \hat{n}_1\}$   $-\delta$   $-\beta$   $\hat{n}_L$

1.3. e [DIFFICULT!]

Using <sup>in fact, several</sup> a similarity transformation similar to that of 1.3. b

show that  $\Psi_{\text{tot}}(s) = \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_1}_{\text{initial one}} + \underbrace{\Psi_{\text{tot}}(s'; \text{eq})}_{\text{constant}}$  for a system with reservoirs of same density at boundaries

Hints: ① consider  $\begin{cases} a_k^\dagger \mapsto Z a_k^\dagger \\ a_k \mapsto Z^{-1} a_k \end{cases}$  with  $Z$  adjusted so that terms in  $\alpha, \gamma$  can be interpreted, up to a constant, as describing a contact with a reservoir of rates  $\begin{matrix} \alpha' \\ \gamma \end{matrix}$   
 (one has  $Z = 1-x$ ;  $\alpha' = Z\alpha$ )

② adjust  $x$  such that terms at site  $L$  can be interpreted as describing contact with a reservoir of same density as at the left  
 (one has  $\frac{\alpha'}{\gamma} = \frac{\delta}{\beta}$ )

③ interpret the terms in  $a_L^\dagger, a_L$  as counting some current for a value of  $s'$  to be determined.

Exercise 2

A bosonic mean-field KCM

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We consider the facilitated model with rates

$$W(n \rightarrow n+1) = c \cdot n$$

$L$  being a large number

$$W(n \rightarrow n-1) = \frac{n}{L} \cdot \underbrace{(n-1)}$$

kinetic constraint  
(= # active neighbors)

$n$  is a number of active sites

2.1 - Operator of evolution

2.1.a - What is the interpretation of the rates above?

b. Show that: for  $s \leftrightarrow k$

$$W_s = e^{-s} \left\{ c a^\dagger \hat{n} + \frac{1}{L} a (\hat{n}-1) \right\} - \left\{ c \hat{n} + \frac{1}{L} \hat{n} (\hat{n}-1) \right\}$$

c. Reminders on  $a^\dagger, a$ , and properties

$$\begin{cases} a |n\rangle = n |n-1\rangle \\ a^\dagger |n\rangle = |n+1\rangle \end{cases}$$

Show that  $a a^\dagger - a^\dagger a = 1$  using  $\nearrow$

Infer from that property the following ones:

$$a^\dagger \hat{n} = (\hat{n}-1) a^\dagger$$

$$a (\hat{n}-1) = \hat{n} a$$

d. Steady state: search for a steady-state of  $[W = W_{s=0}]$  of the Poisson form  $|P_p\rangle$  (see 1.1.e, 1.1.f)

[use 2.1.c] One finds  $\boxed{p = Lc}$ .

e. Is the steady-state simple?

For  $s=0$ , can you find a simple eigenvector?

## 2.2 - Action:

2.2.a - Describe in a few lines how to obtain

$$\langle e^{-sK} \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \mathcal{D}\hat{\varphi} e^{-S[\varphi, \hat{\varphi}]} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \varphi = \varphi(t) \\ \hat{\varphi} = \hat{\varphi}(t) \end{array} \right.$$

$$S[\varphi, \hat{\varphi}] = \int_0^t d\tau \{ \hat{\varphi} \partial_\tau \varphi - \mathcal{H}_s[\hat{\varphi}, \varphi] \}$$

$\mathcal{H}_s[\hat{\varphi}, \varphi]$  obtained from  $\mathbb{W}_s$  with normal-ordered  $\begin{array}{l} a \mapsto \varphi \\ a^\dagger \mapsto \hat{\varphi} \end{array}$

b - Show that the normal-ordered form of  $\mathbb{W}_s$  is

$$\mathbb{W}_s = e^{-s} \left\{ c a^{\dagger 2} a + \frac{1}{L} a^\dagger a^2 \right\} - \left\{ c a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{L} a^{\dagger 2} a^2 \right\}$$

c - Write the corresponding  $S[\varphi, \hat{\varphi}]$

d - One assumes that the most relevant  $\varphi, \hat{\varphi}$  are constant in time

One evaluates  $\int d\varphi d\hat{\varphi} e^{\mathcal{H}_s(\varphi, \hat{\varphi}) \cdot t}$  using saddle point approximation: the optimal  $\varphi, \hat{\varphi}$  verify

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_s}{\partial \varphi} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_s}{\partial \hat{\varphi}} = 0$$

A better choice is to make a Cole-Hopf transform:

$$\begin{cases} \varphi = L\rho e^{-\hat{P}} \\ \hat{\varphi} = e^{\hat{P}} \end{cases} \quad \leftarrow \text{What does represent } \hat{\varphi} \varphi ?$$

One sets  $J_s(\rho, \hat{P}) = \frac{1}{L} \mathcal{H}_s(\varphi, \hat{\varphi})$

Compute  $J_s(\rho, \hat{P})$

e - Write the saddle point equations  $\frac{\partial J_s}{\partial \rho} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial J_s}{\partial \hat{P}} = 0$

From the second one, obtain  $e^{\hat{P}}$  as a function of  $\rho, c, e^{-s}$ .

f - Substituting into  $J_s(\rho, \hat{P})$ , show finally that

$$\frac{1}{L} \Psi(s) = -\min_{\rho} F(\rho, s), \quad \text{with } \boxed{F(\rho) = \rho(\rho+c) - 2\sqrt{c} \rho e^{-s} \sqrt{\rho}}$$

2.3. Dynamical phase transition:

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a. Represent  $F(p, s)$  for

$s=0$

$s>0$

$s<0$

b. Where is the absolute minimum of  $F(p, s)$  reached in each of those situations?

We call  $p(s)$  this minimum

c. Represent schematically  $\Psi(s)$   $p(s)$  -  $\Psi'(s)$

Interpret physically.

d. Redraw those graph including finite  $L$  effects that you expect.

**Exercise 3**

A relation between fluctuation of  $K$  and fluctuation of  $R = \int_0^t dt r(\mathcal{P})$

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Settings: a system with discrete configurations  $\mathcal{P}$   
transition rates  $W(\mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}')$

escape rate  $r(\mathcal{P}) = \sum_{\mathcal{P}'} W(\mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}')$

Observables: activity  $K$   
integrated escape rate  $R = \int_0^t dt r(\mathcal{P})$  } depend on history.  
at time  $t$

3.1 - One considers the dual  $P(\mathcal{P}, K, R, t)$   $s$  conjugated to  $K$   
 $\hat{P}(\mathcal{P}, s, \sigma, t)$   $\sigma$  conjugated to  $R$

and one defines  $\Psi(s, \sigma) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \langle e^{-sK - \sigma R} \rangle$

3.1a - Justify why  $\Psi(s, \sigma) = \max_{\mathcal{P}} S_{\mathcal{P}} W_{s, \sigma}$

with  $(W_{s, \sigma})_{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'} = e^{-s} W(\mathcal{P}' \rightarrow \mathcal{P}) - (1 + \sigma) r(\mathcal{P}) \delta_{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'}$

3.1b - Show in detail that:

$$W_{s, \sigma} = (1 + \sigma) W_{s + \log(1 + \sigma), 0}$$

c - Why is it that  $\Psi(s, \sigma) = (1 + \sigma) \Psi(s + \log(1 + \sigma), 0)$  ?

d - Show that  $\frac{1}{t} \langle K \rangle_s = -\partial_s \Psi(s, \sigma) |_{\sigma=0}$   $\frac{1}{t} \langle R \rangle_s = -\partial_\sigma \Psi(s, \sigma) |_{\sigma=0}$   
↑  
 $t \rightarrow \infty$   
histories only weighted by  $e^{-sK}$

e - Deduce from c and d that:  $\Psi(s) = \frac{1}{t} \langle K \rangle_s - \frac{1}{t} \langle R \rangle_s$   
 $\Psi(s, \sigma=0)$   $\langle \dots \rangle_s : \sigma=0$

[Loner!]

3.2 - Rewrite  $(W_{s, \sigma})_{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'} = e^{-s} (W(\mathcal{P}' \rightarrow \mathcal{P}) - e^s (1 + \sigma) r(\mathcal{P}) \delta_{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'})$

Describe in a rather detailed way a cloning algorithm which allows to compute  $\Psi(s, \sigma)$ , using this rewriting.