Collective Effects

in

Equilibrium and Nonequilibrium Physics

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Example: Josephson Junction



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with

$$\Phi = -dE_J/d\Delta\Theta$$

In the minimum free energy state $\Delta \mu = \Phi = 0$ and there is no phase dynamics or superflow

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We would like to learn something about the coefficients γ

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- First review fluctuations from a thermodynamic point of view.

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- The same results would be obtained by considering the free energy in the canonical ensemble, etc.

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- Another way to get this result is from the fluctuation dissipation theorem proved in lecture 5. From those results it can be shown

$$\gamma_{ij} = \frac{1}{k_B T} \int_{-\infty}^{0} \langle \dot{x}_i(t) \dot{x}_j(t+\tau) \rangle d\tau$$

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• Positive entropy production for any X_i places *constraints* on the $\gamma^{(e)}$, $\gamma^{(o)}$ matrices

 $\begin{aligned} \gamma_{ii}^{(e)} &\geq 0\\ \gamma_{ij}^{(e)} &\leq \sqrt{\gamma_{ii}^{(e)} \gamma_{jj}^{(e)}} \end{aligned}$

and similar results for $\boldsymbol{\gamma}^{(o)}$

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Thermodynamic identity

$$Tds = d\varepsilon - \mu dn + \sum_{i} X_{i} d\xi_{i}$$

or in terms of the free energy

$$df = -sdT + \mu dn - \sum_{i} X_{i}d\xi_{i}$$

with s, ε, ξ_i the corresponding densities of conserved quantities or gradients of angle variables, e.g. for the superfluid

 $Tds = d\varepsilon - \mu dn + \mathbf{j}_s \cdot d\mathbf{v}_s$

with $\mathbf{v}_s = (\hbar/m) \nabla \Theta$ and $\mathbf{j}_s = n_s (\hbar/m) \nabla \Theta$ the supercurrent.

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e.g. for the supercurrent in a superfluid $\mathbf{j}^r = -\mu/m$ and for the density in a normal fluid $\mathbf{j}^r = \mathbf{g}$

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with $c = \sqrt{K/\chi}$ and $\gamma = \chi^{-1}D + K\zeta$

Equations of Fluid Motion and Heat Transfer

Thermodynamic identity (ε , *s* are per mass)

$$d\varepsilon = Tds + \frac{p}{\rho^2}d\rho + \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{g}$$

Mass conservation (LL1.2)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{g} = 0 \qquad \text{with} \qquad \mathbf{g} = \rho \mathbf{v}$$

Momentum conservation (LL15.1)

$$\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{v})}{\partial t} + \mathbf{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{\Pi} = 0 \qquad \text{or} \qquad \frac{\partial(\rho v_i)}{\partial t} + \nabla_j \Pi_{ij} = 0$$

with (LL15.3)

$$\Pi_{ij} = p\delta_{ij} + \rho v_i v_j - \eta \left(\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} - \frac{2}{3}\delta_{ij}\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i}\right) - \zeta \delta_{ij}\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i}$$

Entropy production (LL49.5-6)

$$\frac{\partial(\rho s)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho s \mathbf{v} - \frac{K}{T} \nabla T) = \frac{K(\nabla T)^2}{T^2} + \frac{\eta}{2T} \left(\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i} \right)^2 + \frac{\zeta}{T} \left(\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_i} \right)^2$$

Back

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Forward



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