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Abstract: "Non-equilibrium statistical mechanics has seen some impressive developments in the last three decades, thank to the pioneering works of Evans, Cohen, Morris and Searles on the violation of the second law, soon followed by the ground-breaking formulation of the Fluctuation Theorem by Gallavotti and Cohen for entropy fluctuation in the early nineties. Their work was by vast literature, both theoretical and experimental

The extension of these results to the quantum setting has turned out to be surprisingly challenging and it is still an undergoing effort. Kurchanâ \in^{TM} s seminal work (2000) showed the measurement role has to be taken in account, leading to the introduction of the so called two-time measurement statistics (also known as full counting statistics).

However in this context, the lack of a trajectory notion leads to both conceptual and technical problems, or phenomena with no classical counterpart, as underlined by some of our recent results.

In this talk I will review some of the key concept involved in the Fluctuation Theorem and its extensions to the quantum setting; I will present some recent results exploring the role played by ultraviolet regularity conditions (joint work with R.Raquépas and T.Benoist)." Entropy and energy fluctuations in non-equilibrium quantum statistical mechanics joint work with T.Benoist (Toulouse) and R. Raquépas. (McGill and Grenoble)

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Entropy

 ρ function on the phase space \mathcal{M} describing particle distribution

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ho$ is a measure on \mathcal{M} given by ho(x) $\mathbf{g} x$

 $S(\rho) := \ln(\text{ number of particle configurations})$ corresponding to ρ / total configurations) encodes how likely the distribution ρ is

Variational principle: the equilibrium distribution ρ is the most likely one i.e. the one that maximize the entropy (between those satisfying energy constraints).

Second law: "Nature evolve from less probable to most probable = entropy of an isolated system tend to increase until it reaches equilibrium"

According to this picture second law is only a statistical one, suggesting that there should always be some nonzero probability that the entropy of an isolated system might spontaneously decrease. Fluctuation relation quantify this probability.

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Classical case: [Evans-Cohen-Morris '93] numerical experiences [Evans-Searls '94] [Gallavotti Cohen '94] theoretical explanation







work in driven system [Bochkov-Kuzovlev '70s] [Jaryzinski '97] [Crooks '99] etc

a new area of research was open



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$$e^{cl}_t(lpha) = e^{cl}_t(1-lpha) \qquad e^{cl}_t(lpha) = \int e^{-tlpha\phi} \mathrm{d}\mathbb{P}^{S,cl}_t(\phi)$$

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At the level of averages and variances, there is no difference!

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Confined systems: described by $(\mathcal{H}, H, \rho) \dim \mathcal{H} < \infty$ Given an observable A: $A = \sum_{j} a_{j} P_{a_{j}}$ where $a_{j} \in \sigma(A) P_{a_{j}}$ associated spectral projections Procedure:

- t = 0, we measure A (outcome a_i)
- evolve for time t
- measure again at time t (outcome a_k)

Two-time measurement distribution of A:

 $\mathbb{P}_{A,t}(\phi)$ = probability of measuring a change in A equal to ϕ .

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Classical system: (\mathcal{M}, H, ρ)

Two-time measurment statistics is equivalent to the law $\mathbb{P}_{\triangle A_t}$ associated to $\triangle A_t := A_t - A$.¹

Assume A + B is conserved. The identity as classical observables $\triangle A_t = A_t - A = -(B_t - B) = -\triangle B_t$ yiels the identity

$$\mathbb{P}_{\triangle A_t} = \mathbb{P}_{-\triangle B_t}$$

Quantum system $A_t - A = -(B_t - B)$ as operators yields identity between all spectral measures

$$\mu_{\triangle A_t} = \mu_{-\triangle B_{\overline{t}}} \quad \text{but} \quad \mathbb{P}_{A,t} \neq \mathbb{P}_{-B,t}$$

¹Given a classical observable *C* and an initial state ρ , we call *C*-statistics the probability measure \mathbb{P}_C such that $\int f(s) d\mathbb{P}_C(s) = \int f(C) d\rho$ for all $f \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \cap \mathbb{Q}$

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Quantum impurity in a free Fermi gas

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{H} &= \Gamma_{a}(\mathbb{C}) \otimes \Gamma_{a}(L^{2}(\mathbb{R}_{+}, \mathrm{d} e)) = \mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \Gamma_{a}(L^{2}(\mathbb{R}_{+}, \mathrm{d} e)) \\ \mathcal{H}_{0} &= \mathrm{d}\Gamma(\varepsilon_{0}) \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathrm{d}\Gamma(\hat{e}) \qquad \varepsilon_{0} > 0 \\ \mathcal{H} &= \mathcal{H}_{0} + (a^{*}(1) \otimes \mathbb{1})(\mathbb{1} \otimes a(f)) + (a(1) \otimes \mathbb{1})(\mathbb{1} \otimes a^{*}(f)) \\ f \in L^{2}(\mathbb{R}_{+}, \mathrm{d} e) \\ \omega \text{ is a } (\tau_{0}, \beta) \text{ KMS state} \end{split}$$

Theorem (Benoist, P., Raquépas 2017)

For the above model the following are equivalent:

- 1. $\sup_{t\in\mathbb{R}}\mathbb{E}_t[\phi^{2n+2}]<\infty;$
- 2. for a non-trivial time interval $[t_1, t_2] \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathbb{E}_t[\phi^{2n+2}] dt < \infty;$
- 3. (nD)

For this model (nD) is equivalent to $\mathbb{R} \ni s \mapsto e^{is\hat{e}} f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}_+, de)$ is *n* times norm- differentiable i.e $f \in \text{Dom}(\hat{e}^n)$

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Conclusions: underlying picture Classical VS Quantum two-time measurement

Classical

trajectory picture $V \approx 0 \Rightarrow \Delta H_0 \approx 0$ $supp(\mathbb{P}_{t,-V})$ bounded $\Rightarrow supp(\mathbb{P}_{t,H_0})$ bounded no large fluctuations exist when the interaction is bounded

2nd law

fluctuation relations "probability of negative entropy production decays exponentially in time"

Quantum TTM

jumps picture $V \approx 0 \Rightarrow \Delta H_0 \approx 0$ ex:supp($\mathbb{P}_{t,-V}$) and \mathbb{P}_{t,H_0} heavy-tailed energy transitions induced by the interaction ,large fluctuations may exists even if the interaction is bounded

2nd law

fluctuation relations picture unchanged without UV conditions

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We want to study the behaviour of \mathbb{P}_{H_0} tails to \mathbb{P}_{H_0} to \mathbb{P}_{H_0}

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