

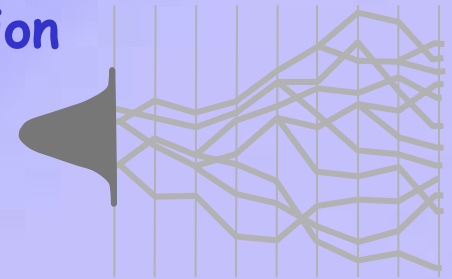
Stochastic Schroedinger Equations

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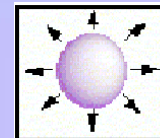
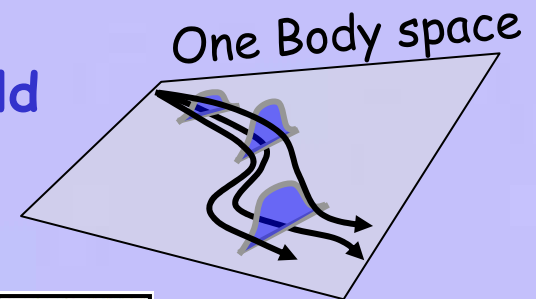
Part 1: Exact evolution of quantum systems

- Introduction to stochastic Schroedinger Equation
- illustration : system-environment
- application to self-interacting system



Part 2: Approximate evolution of quantum systems

- Dissipation and fluctuations beyond mean-field
- Quantum jump approach to the many-body problem

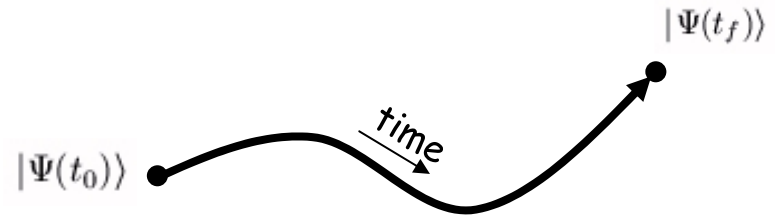


What is a Stochastic Schroedinger equation?

Standard Schroedinger equation:

$$d|\Psi\rangle = \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H |\Psi\rangle$$

→ Deterministic evolution

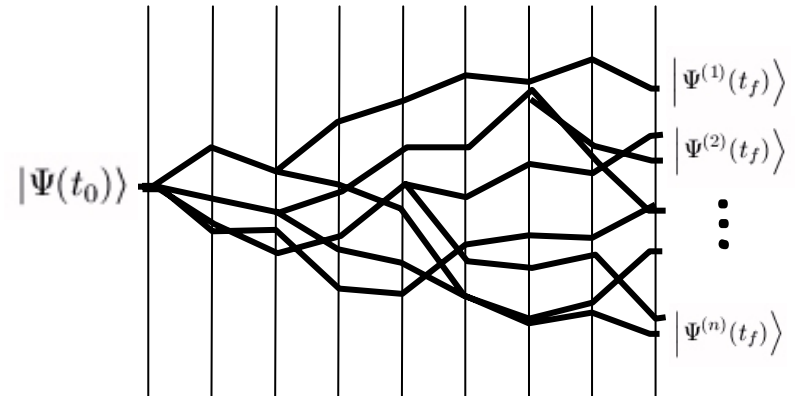
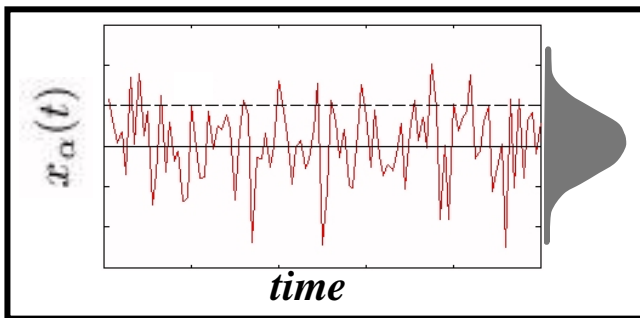


Stochastic Schroedinger equation (SSE):

$$d|\Psi\rangle = \left\{ \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H + dB_{sto} \right\} |\Psi\rangle$$



Stochastic operator :
$$dB_{sto} = \sum_{\alpha} x_{\alpha}(t) O_{\alpha}$$



Exact dynamics of a systems coupled to an environment with SSE

Hamiltonian

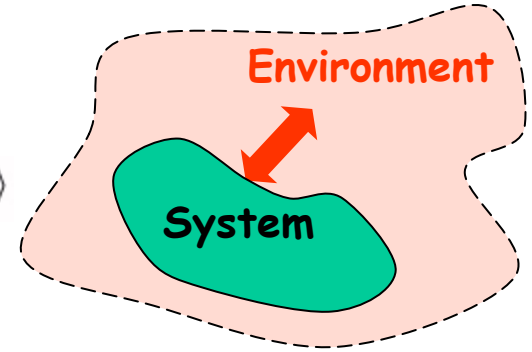
$$H = H_S + H_E + \sum_{\alpha} B_{\alpha}(S) \otimes C_{\alpha}(E)$$

Exact dynamics

At $t=0$ $|\Psi(t_0)\rangle = |\Phi(t_0)\rangle \otimes |\chi(t_0)\rangle$

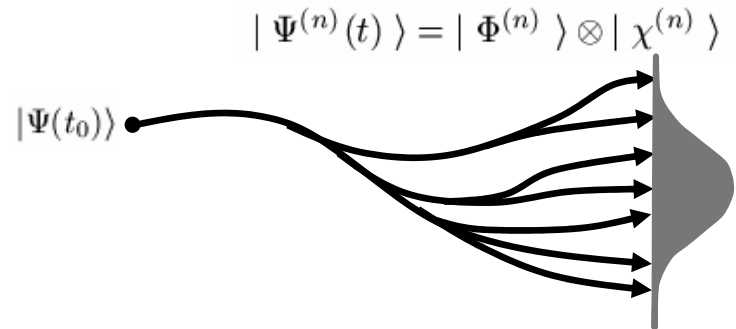


$$|\Psi(t)\rangle \neq |\Phi\rangle \otimes |\chi\rangle$$



A stochastic version

$$\begin{cases} d|\Phi\rangle = \left\{ \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H_S + \sum_{\alpha} d\xi_{\alpha}(t) B_{\alpha} \right\} |\Phi\rangle \\ d|\chi\rangle = \left\{ \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H_E + \sum_{\alpha} d\xi_{\alpha}(t) C_{\alpha} \right\} |\chi\rangle \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \overline{d\xi_{\alpha} d\xi_{\beta}} = \frac{dt}{i\hbar} \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$



Average evolution

$$\overline{d\{|\Phi\rangle \otimes |\chi\rangle\}} = \overline{d|\Phi\rangle \otimes |\chi\rangle} + \overline{|\Phi\rangle \otimes d|\chi\rangle} + \overline{d|\Phi\rangle \otimes d|\chi\rangle}$$

$$\frac{dt}{i\hbar} H_S + \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H_E + \frac{dt}{i\hbar} \sum_{\alpha} B_{\alpha} \otimes C_{\alpha}$$

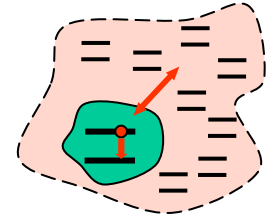
The dynamics of the system+environment can be simulated exactly with quantum jumps (or SSE) between "simple" state.

→ Average density $D = \overline{|\Psi_1\rangle \langle \Psi_2|}$

An simple illustration: spin systems

Lacroix, *Phys. Rev. A* 72, 013805 (2005).

A two-level system interacting with a bath of spin systems



$$H = 2 \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha} (\underbrace{\sigma_+ \sigma_-^{(\alpha)}}_{\text{system}} + \underbrace{\sigma_- \sigma_+^{(\alpha)}}_{\text{environment}})$$

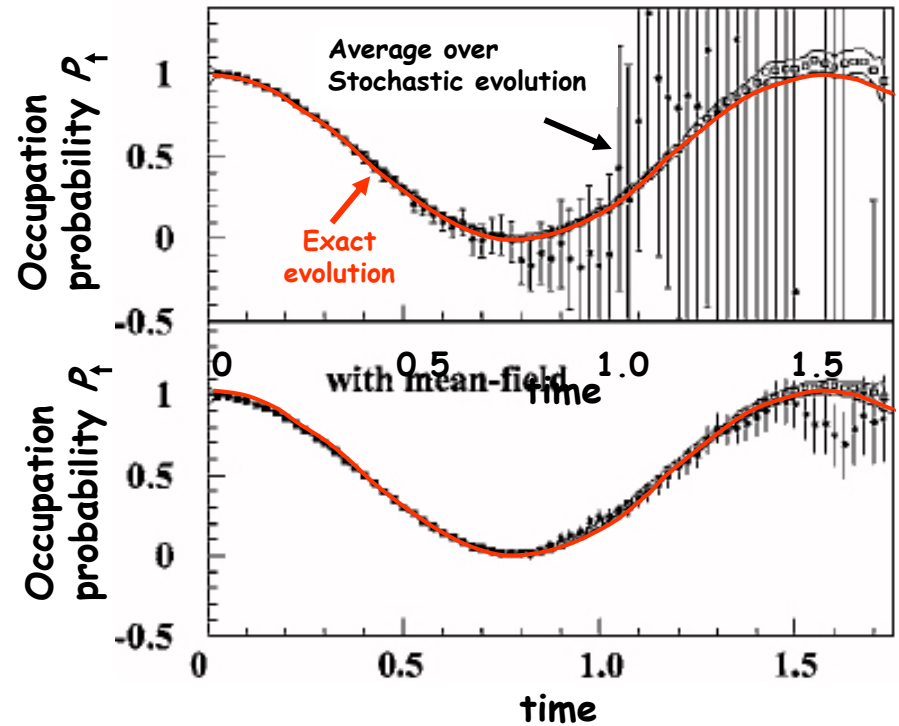
Direct application of SSE:

$H \longrightarrow$ "Noise"

Introduction of mean-field:

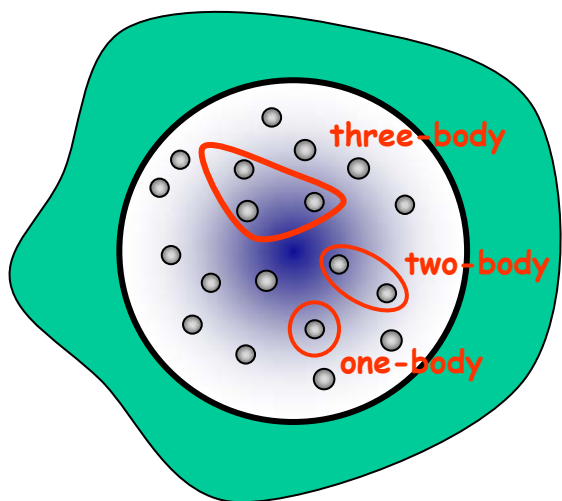
$H \longrightarrow$ mean-field + "Noise"

1000 trajectories

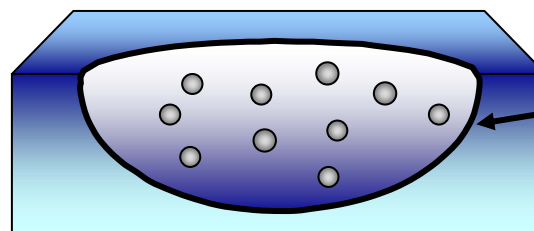


Stochastic equation are not unique. One can take advantage of this flexibility (mean-field)

Simulation of self-interacting system with 'simple state': the nuclei case



Mean-field:
(DFT)



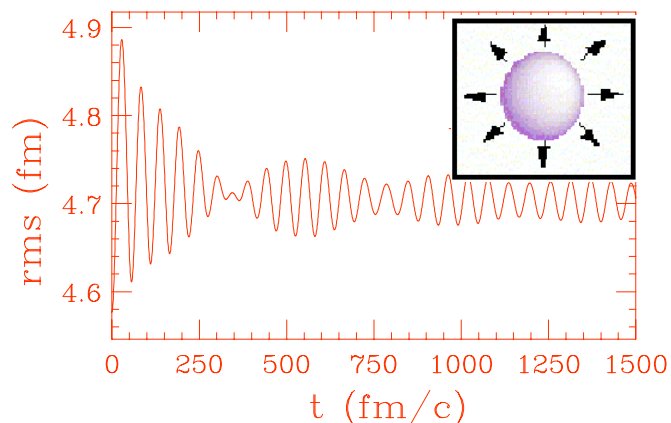
Self-consistent
Mean-field

"Simple" Trial state:

$$\Psi(r_1, \dots, r_{12}, \dots, r_{123}, \dots) \longrightarrow |\Phi_{HF}\rangle = \Pi a_{\alpha}^{\dagger} |0\rangle$$

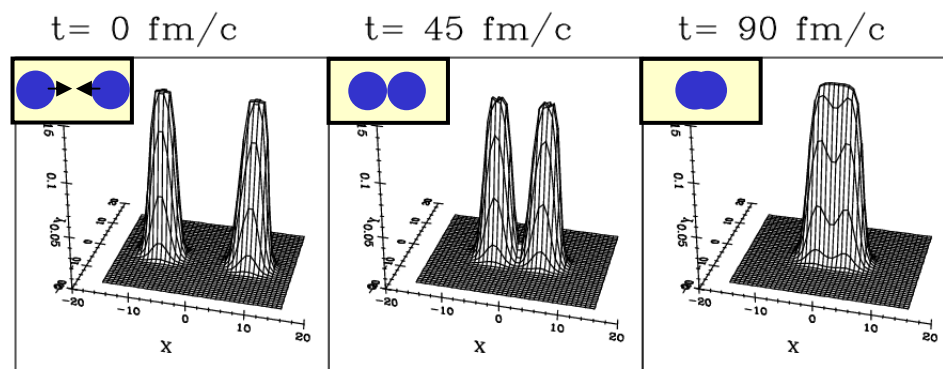
Success of the mean-field:

Vibrations



Dynamics

Collisions of nucleus



3D TDHF-Sly4d (P. Bonche)

- Critical aspects**
- Static: some important long range correlations are neglected.
 - Dynamics: correlations (fluctuations) are underestimated.

Exact Many-Body with SSE on "simple" state: the Functional integral method

General strategy

S. Levit, PRC21 (1980) 1594.

Given a Hamiltonian
and an initial State

$$|\Phi(t + \Delta t)\rangle = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H\right) |\Phi(t)\rangle$$

Write H into a
quadratic form

$$H|\Phi\rangle = (H_1 - O^2)|\Phi\rangle$$

Use the Hubbard
Stratonovich
transformation

$$\exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} O^2\right) |\Phi(t)\rangle = \int d\sigma G(\sigma) \exp(a\sigma O) |\Phi(t)\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow |\Phi(t + \Delta t)\rangle = \int d\sigma G(\sigma) |\Phi_\sigma(t + \Delta t)\rangle$$

Interpretation of the
integral in terms of
stochastic
Schrödinger equation

$$|\Phi_\sigma(t + \Delta t)\rangle = \exp\left(\frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H_1 + a\sigma O\right) |\Phi(t)\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta |\Phi_\sigma\rangle = \left(\frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H + a\sigma O\right) |\Phi\rangle$$

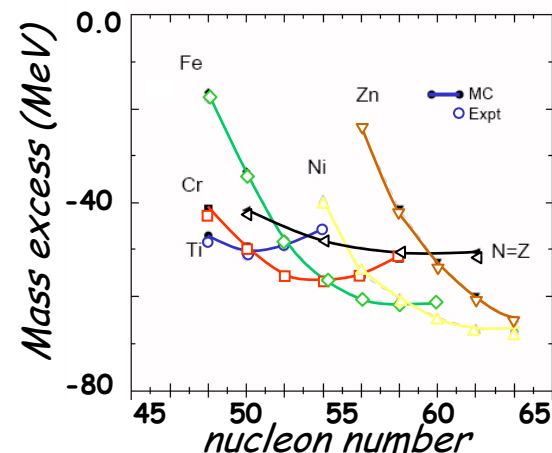
The many-body problem

$$H = \sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_i^+ a_j + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijkl} V_{ijkl} a_i^+ a_j^+ a_l a_k$$

O_{ij}

$O_{il} O_{jk}$

Example of application in nuclear physics:
-Shell Model Monte-Carlo ...



Adapted from:
*S.E. Koonin, D.J. Dean, K. Langanke,
Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 47, 463 (1997).*

Recent progress for dynamics: stochastic mean-field

Functional techniques

$$|\Phi\rangle = \prod_{\alpha} a_{\alpha}^{\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$H = \sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_i^{\dagger} a_j + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijkl} V_{ijkl} a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_l a_k$$

Deterministic part

noise

New approach: mean-field+ noise

$$H |\Phi\rangle = \left(\sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_i^{\dagger} a_j + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{ijkl} V_{ijkl} a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_l a_k \right) |\Phi\rangle$$

Deterministic mean-field

noise

Residual inter.

Deterministic evolution

$$D = |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|$$

Quantum jump between Slater

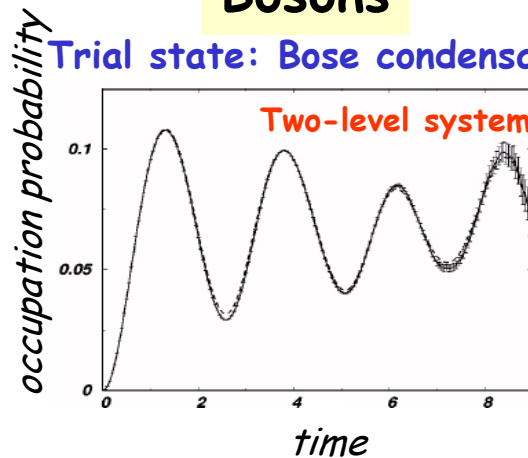
$$D(t) = |\Phi_a\rangle \langle \Phi_b|$$

Stochastic evolution of single-particle

$$\begin{cases} |d\alpha_a\rangle = (h_{MF}(\rho_a) + dB_a) |\alpha_a\rangle \\ |d\alpha_b\rangle = (h_{MF}(\rho_b) + dB_b) |\alpha_b\rangle \end{cases}$$

Bosons

Trial state: Bose condensate

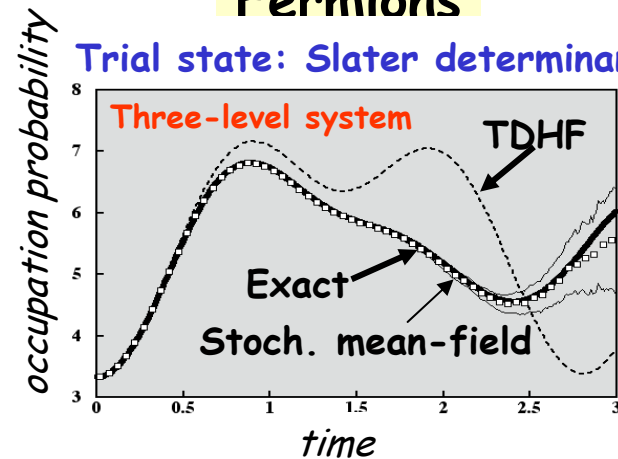


Carusotto, Y. Castin and J. Dalibard, PRA63 (2001)

- The link with observable evolution is not simple (D. Lacroix, PRC71, 064322 (2005))
- A systematic method is desirable
- The numerical effort is huge

Fermions

Trial state: Slater determinant



O. Juillet and Ph. Chomaz, PRL 88 (2002)

Mean-field from variational principle

More insight in mean-field dynamics:

Exact state

Trial states

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle \longrightarrow \begin{cases} |Q(t)\rangle \\ |Q + \delta Q\rangle = e^{\sum_{\alpha} \delta q_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}} |Q\rangle \end{cases}$$

The approximate evolution is obtained by minimizing the action:

$$S = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} ds \langle Q | i\hbar \partial_t - H | Q \rangle$$

Good part: average evolution

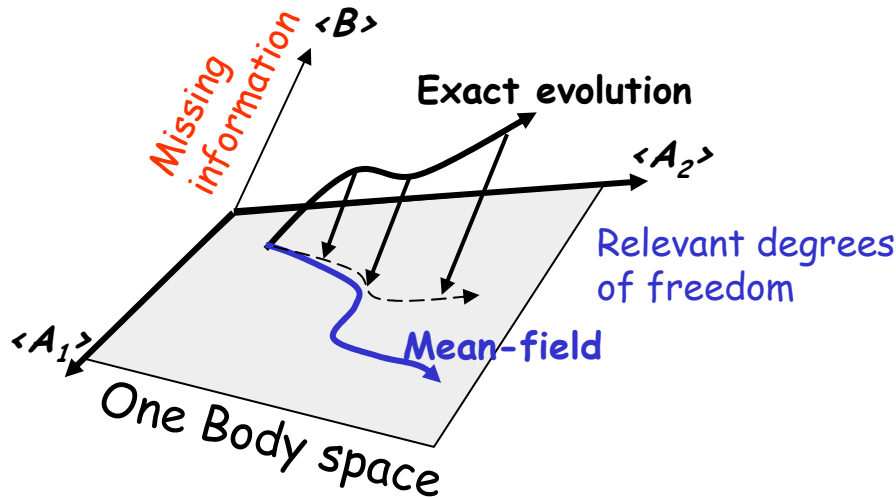
$$i\hbar \frac{d\langle A_{\alpha} \rangle}{dt} = \langle [A_{\alpha}, H] \rangle \longrightarrow \text{exact Ehrenfest evolution}$$

$$H = \mathcal{P}_1 H + (1 - \mathcal{P}_1) H$$

Missing part: correlations

$$|dQ\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} dq_{\alpha} A_{\alpha} |dQ\rangle = \frac{dt}{i\hbar} \mathcal{P}_1(t) H |Q\rangle$$

$$\longrightarrow i\hbar \frac{d\langle A_{\alpha} A_{\beta} \rangle}{dt} \neq \langle [A_{\alpha} A_{\beta}, H] \rangle$$



Hamiltonian splitting

$$H = \mathcal{P}_1 H + (1 - \mathcal{P}_1) H$$

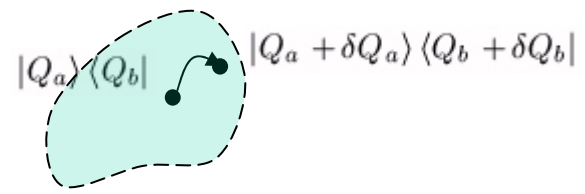
System Environment

Complex self-interacting System

The idea is now to treat the missing information as the *Environment* for the Relevant part (*System*)

Existence theorem : Optimal stochastic path from observable evolution

D. Lacroix, Annals of Physics (2006), in press.



Theorem :
One can always find a stochastic process for trial states such that $\overline{\langle A_\alpha \rangle}$, $\overline{\langle A_\alpha A_\beta \rangle}$, \dots , $\overline{\langle A_{\alpha_1} A_{\alpha_2} \dots A_{\alpha_k} \rangle}$ evolves exactly over a short time scale.

with

$$|Q_a + \delta Q_a\rangle = e^{\sum_\alpha \delta q_\alpha^{[a]} A_\alpha} |Q_a\rangle$$

$$|Q_b + \delta Q_b\rangle = e^{\sum_\alpha \delta q_\alpha^{[b]} A_\alpha} |Q_b\rangle$$

Valid for $D = |Q_a\rangle \langle Q_b|$
 or $D = \frac{|Q_a\rangle \langle Q_b|}{\langle Q_b | Q_a \rangle}$

Mean-field level

$$\begin{cases} \delta q_\alpha^{[a]} = \delta q_\alpha^a \\ \delta q_\alpha^{[b]*} = \delta q_\alpha^{b*} \end{cases}$$

In practice

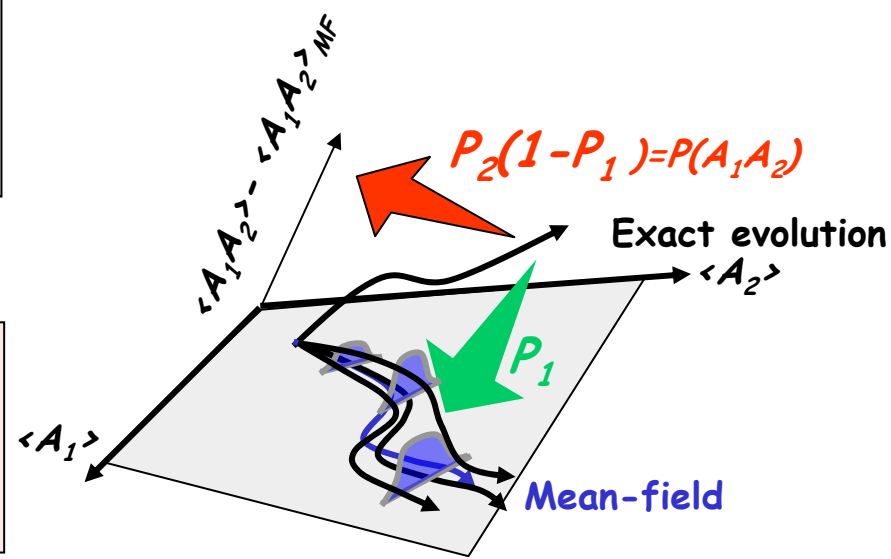
$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \langle A_\alpha \rangle = \langle [A_\alpha, H] \rangle$$

Mean-field + noise

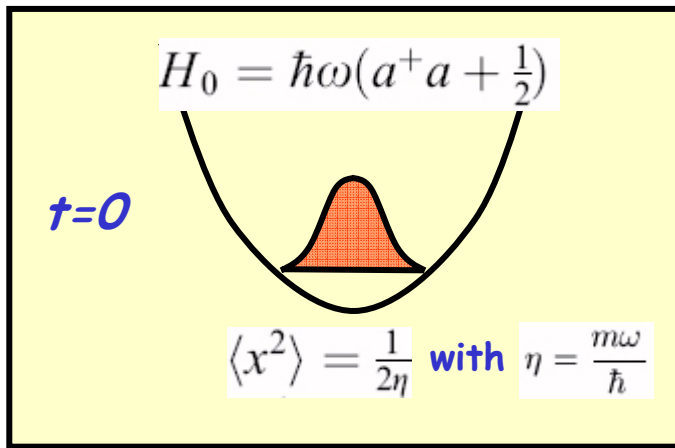
$$\begin{cases} \delta q_\alpha^{[a]} = \delta q_\alpha^a + \delta \xi_\alpha^{[2]} \\ \delta q_\alpha^{[b]*} = \delta q_\alpha^{b*} + \delta \eta_\alpha^{[2]} \end{cases}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d\langle A_\alpha \rangle}{dt} = \langle [A_\alpha, H] \rangle$$

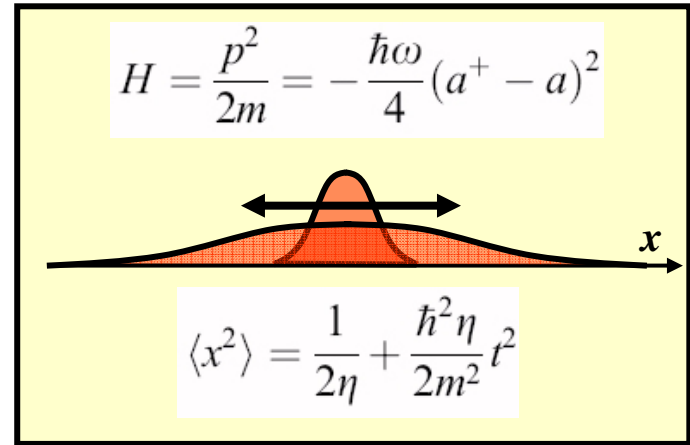
$$i\hbar \frac{d\langle A_\alpha A_\beta \rangle}{dt} = \langle [A_\alpha A_\beta, H] \rangle$$



Simple illustration: simulation of the free wave spreading with "quasi-classical states"

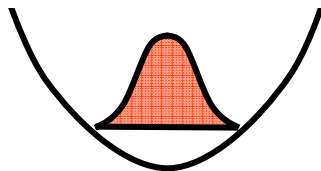


$t > 0$



Reduction of the information: I want to simulate the expansion with Gaussian wave-function having fixed widths. $\langle x^2 \rangle = cte$, $\langle p^2 \rangle = cte$

Mean-field evolution:



$t > 0$



Relevant/Missing information:

Relevant degrees of freedom

$\langle x \rangle, \langle p \rangle$

$\langle a^+ \rangle, \langle a \rangle$

Missing information

$\langle x^2 \rangle, \langle p^2 \rangle, \langle xp \rangle$

$\langle a^{+2} \rangle, \langle a^2 \rangle, \langle a^+a \rangle$

Trial states

$|Q + \delta Q\rangle = e^{\sum_{\alpha} \delta q_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}} |Q\rangle$

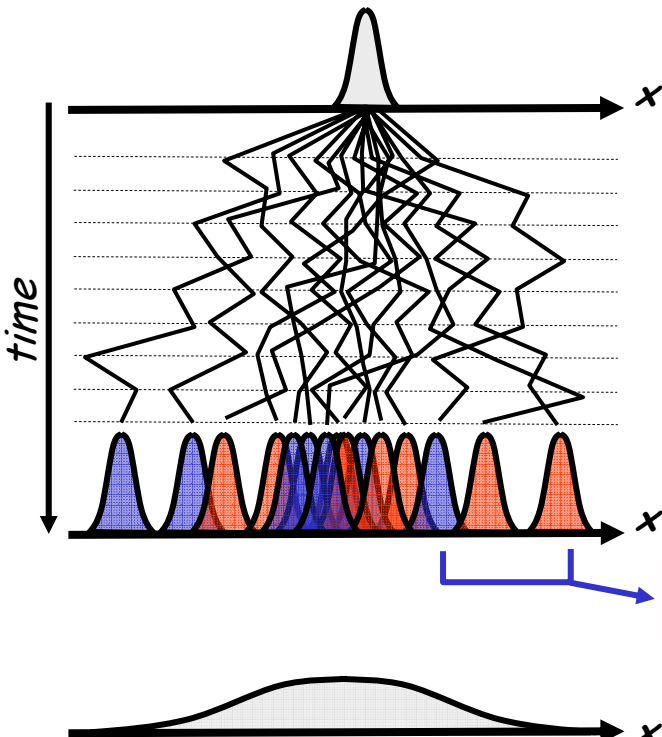
Coherent states

$|\alpha + d\alpha\rangle = e^{d\alpha a^+} |\alpha\rangle$

Guess of the SSE from the existence theorem

Densities

$$D = \frac{|\alpha\rangle\langle\beta|}{\langle\beta|\alpha\rangle} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} \langle\beta + d\beta| &= \langle\beta|e^{d\beta^* a} \\ |\alpha + d\alpha\rangle &= e^{d\alpha a^+} |\alpha\rangle \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{Tr}(Dx^2) = \frac{1}{2\eta} + X^2$$

$$\overline{\text{Tr}(Dx^2)} = \frac{1}{2\eta} + \frac{\hbar^2 \eta}{2m^2} t^2$$

Stochastic c-number evolution from Ehrenfest theorem

$$\begin{cases} d\alpha = \overline{d\alpha} + d\xi^{[2]}, \\ d\beta^* = \overline{d\beta^*} + d\eta^{[2]} \end{cases}$$

mean values

$$\overline{d\langle a \rangle} = \overline{d\alpha}$$

$$\overline{d\langle a^+ \rangle} = \overline{d\beta^*}$$

fluctuations

$$\overline{d\langle a^2 \rangle} = 2\alpha \overline{d\alpha} + \overline{d\xi^{[2]} d\xi^{[2]}}$$

$$\overline{d\langle a^{+2} \rangle} = 2\beta^* \overline{d\beta^*} + \overline{d\eta^{[2]} d\eta^{[2]}}$$

Nature of the stochastic mechanics

$$\begin{cases} X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}} (\alpha + \beta^*), \\ P = i\hbar\sqrt{\frac{\eta}{2}} (\beta^* - \alpha) \end{cases} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} dX = \frac{P}{m} dt + d\chi_1 \\ dP = d\chi_2, \end{cases}$$

$$\text{with} \quad \overline{d\chi_1 d\chi_2} = \frac{\hbar^2 \eta}{2m} dt$$

the quantum wave spreading can be simulated by a classical brownian motion in the complex plane

SSE for Many-Body Fermions and bosons

D. Lacroix, Annals of Physics (2006), in press.

Starting point:

$$H = \sum_{ij} \langle i|T|j \rangle a_i^+ a_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkl} \langle ij|v_{12}|lk \rangle a_i^+ a_j^+ a_l a_k$$

$$D_{ab} = |\Phi_a\rangle \langle \Phi_b| \quad \text{with} \quad \langle \Phi_b | \Phi_a \rangle = 1$$

$$\rho_1 = \sum |\alpha_i\rangle \langle \beta_i|$$

Observables $\langle j|\rho_1|i \rangle = \langle a_i^+ a_j \rangle$

Fluctuations $\langle ij|\rho_{12}|kl \rangle = \langle a_k^+ a_l^+ a_j a_i \rangle$

Ehrenfest theorem \Rightarrow **BBGKY hierarchy**

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_1 = [h_{MF}, \rho_1],$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_{12} = [h_{MF}(1) + h_{MF}(2), \rho_{12}]$$

$$+ (1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)v_{12}\rho_1\rho_2 - \rho_1\rho_2v_{12}(1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)$$

$$v_{12} = \sum_{\lambda} O_{\lambda}(1)O_{\lambda}(2)$$

Stochastic one-body evolution

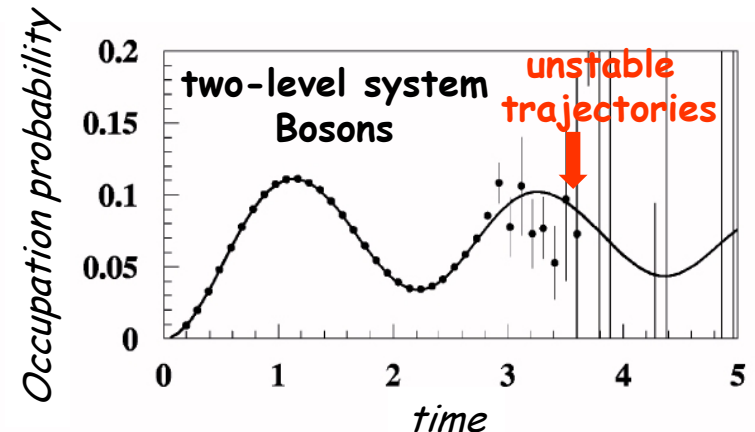
$$d\rho_1 = [h_{MF}, \rho_1]$$

$$+ \sum_{\lambda} d\xi_{\lambda}^{[2]}(1 - \rho_1)O_{\lambda}\rho_1 + \sum_{\lambda} d\eta_{\lambda}^{[2]}(1 - \rho_1)O_{\lambda}\rho_1$$

with $\overline{d\xi_{\lambda}^{[2]}d\xi_{\lambda'}^{[2]}} = -\overline{d\eta_{\lambda}^{[2]}d\eta_{\lambda'}^{[2]}} = \delta_{\lambda\lambda'} \frac{dt}{i\hbar}$

- The method is general.
the SSE are deduced easily
- ➔ extension to Stochastic TDHFB
D. Lacroix, arXiv nucl-th 0605033
- The mean-field appears naturally and the interpretation is easier
- the numerical effort can be reduced by reducing the number of observables

but...



Part II

Dissipation in Many-Body Systems with SSE

Quantum jump method - Dissipation

$$H = H_S + H_E + \sum_{\alpha} B_{\alpha}(S) \otimes C_{\alpha}(E)$$

Exact dynamics

with SSE on simple state $|\Psi\rangle = |\Phi\rangle \otimes |\chi\rangle$

$$|\Psi^{(n)}(t)\rangle = |\Phi^{(n)}\rangle \otimes |\chi^{(n)}\rangle$$



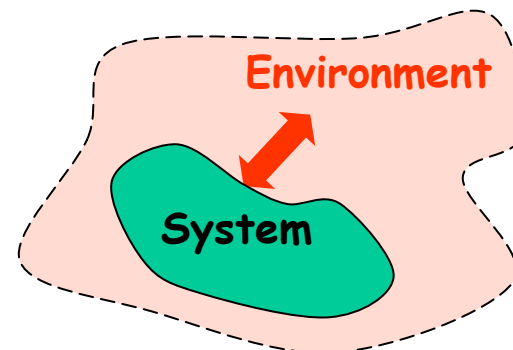
Then, the average dyn. identifies with the exact one

① For total wave $\frac{d|\overline{\Psi}\rangle}{dt} = \left\{ \frac{dt}{i\hbar} H + O(dt) \right\} |\overline{\Psi}\rangle$

② For total density $D = \overline{|\Psi_1\rangle\langle\Psi_2|}$



Application to self-interacting system
Interpretation as a "system+environment"



Approximate Dissipative dynamics

At $t=0$ $D(t=0) = \rho_S \otimes \rho_E$

- Weak coupling approx.
- Projection technique
- Markovian approx.



Lindblad master equation:

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_S = [H_S, \rho_S] + \sum_k \gamma_k (A_k A_k \rho_S + \rho_S A_k A_k - 2A_k \rho_S A_k)$$

Can be simulated by stochastic eq. on $|\Phi\rangle$,
The Master equation being recovered using :

$$\rho_S = \overline{|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|}$$

Dissipation in self-interacting systems

Y. Abe et al, *Phys. Rep.* 275 (1996)

D. Lacroix et al, *Progress in Part. and Nucl. Phys.* 52 (2004)

Short time evolution

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_1 = [h_{MF}, \rho_1],$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_{12} = [h_{MF}(1) + h_{MF}(2), \rho_{12}]$$

$$+ (1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)v_{12}\rho_1\rho_2 - \rho_1\rho_2v_{12}(1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)$$

Correlation

$$C_{12} = \rho_{12} - (\rho_1\rho_2)_A$$

Approximate long time evolution+Projection

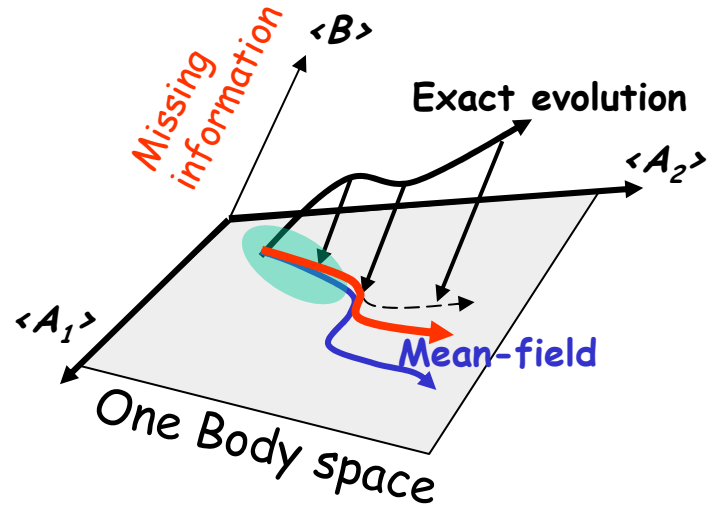
$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho_1 = [h_{MF}, \rho_1] + Tr_2 [v_{12}, C_{12}]$$

with

$$C_{12}(t) = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t U_{12}(t, s) F_{12}(s) U_{12}^\dagger(t, s) ds + \delta C_{12}(t)$$

projected two-body effect

Propagated initial correlation



Dissipation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho = [h_{MF}, \rho] + K(\rho)$$

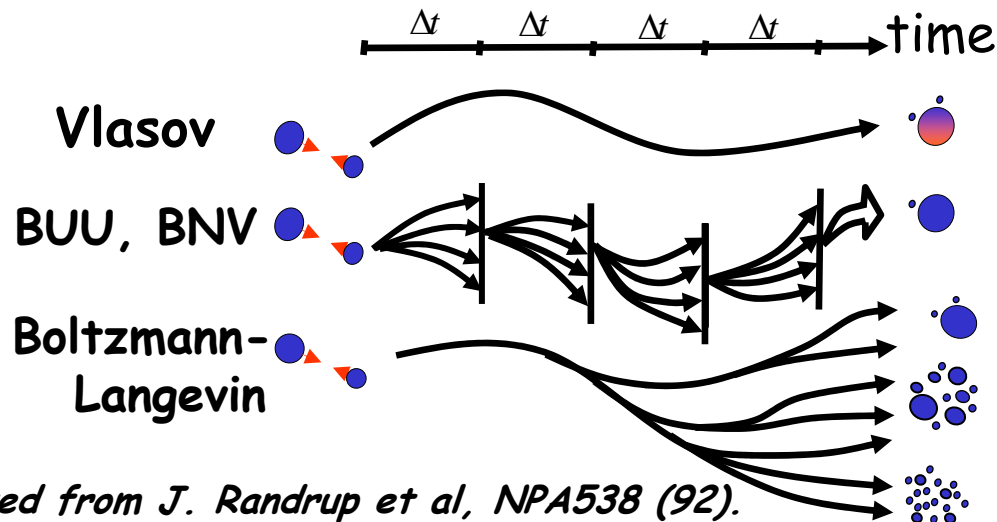
Dissipation and fluctuation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho = [h_{MF}, \rho] + K(\rho) + \delta K(\rho)$$

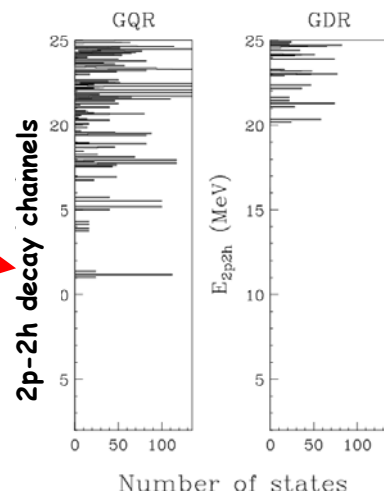
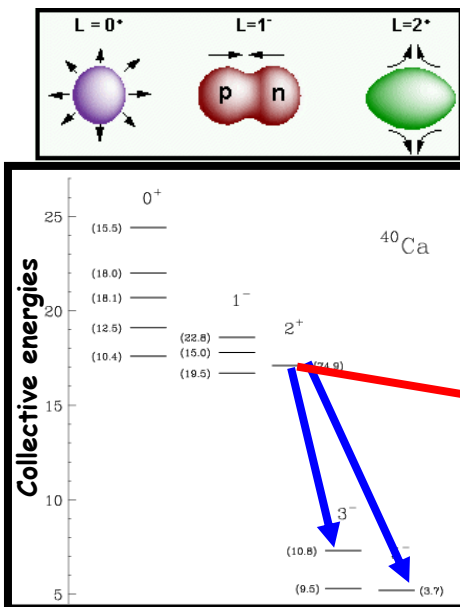
Random initial condition



Semiclassical version for approaches in Heavy-Ion collisions



Application in quantum systems

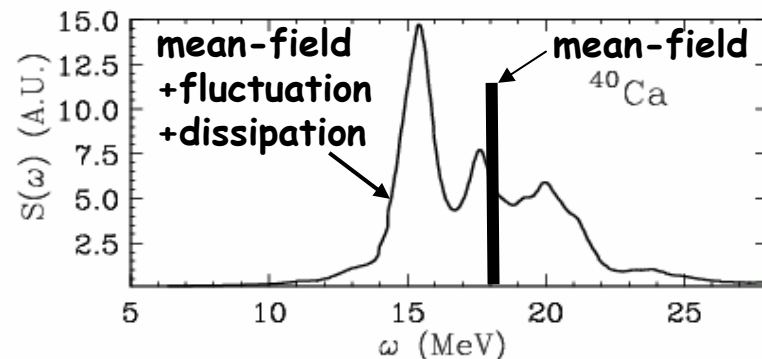


$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho^{(n)} - [h(\rho^{(n)}), \rho^{(n)}] = K_I(\rho^{(n)}) + \delta K^{(n)}(t)$$

RPA

Coupling to 2p2h states

Coupling to ph-phonon



Alternative formulation with Stochastic Schroedinger equations

GOAL: Restarting from an uncorrelated state $D = |\Phi_0\rangle \langle \Phi_0|$ we should:

1-have an estimate of $D = |\Psi(t)\rangle \langle \Psi(t)|$

2-interpret it as an average over jumps between "simple" states

Weak coupling approximation : perturbative treatment

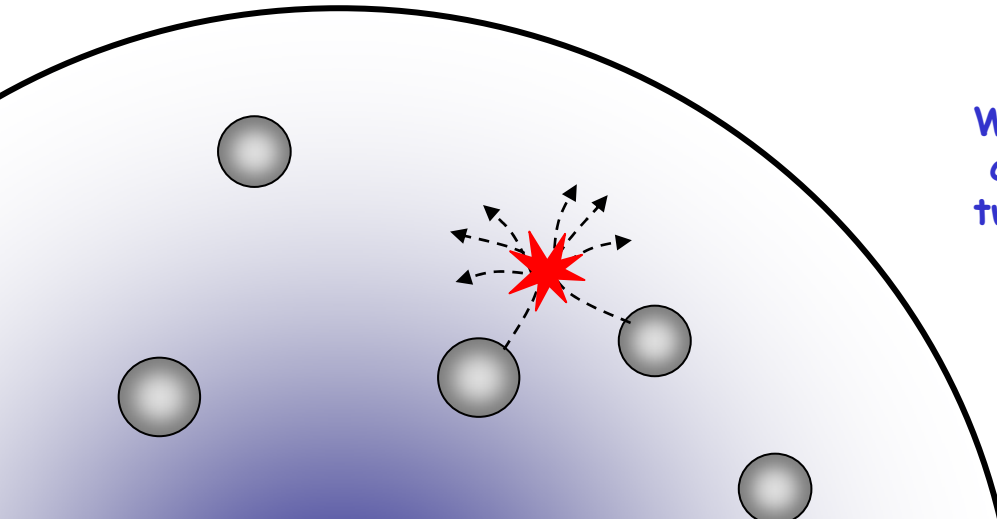
R.-G. Reinhard and E. Suraud, Ann. of Phys. 216, 98 (1992)

$$|\Psi(t')\rangle = |\Phi(t')\rangle - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int \delta v_{12}(s) |\Phi(s)\rangle ds - \frac{1}{2\hbar^2} T \left(\int \int \delta v_{12}(s) \delta v_{12}(s') ds ds' \right) |\Phi(s)\rangle$$



Residual interaction in the mean-field interaction picture

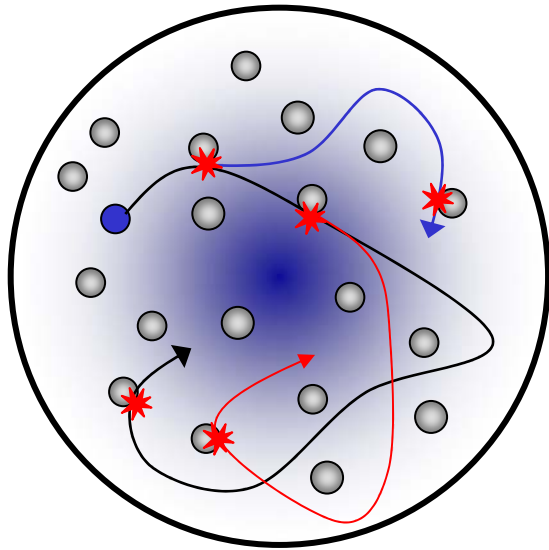
Statistical assumption in the Markovian limit :



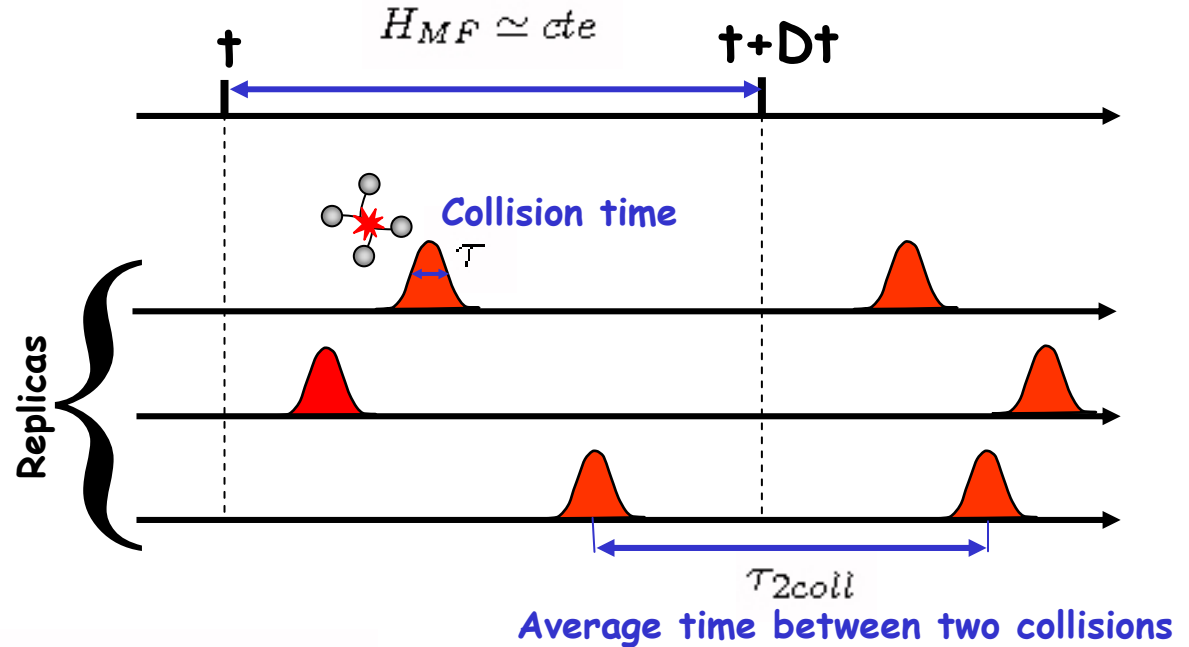
We assume that the residual interaction can be treated as an ensemble of two-body interaction:

$$\begin{cases} \overline{\delta v_{12}(s)} = 0 \\ \overline{\delta v_{12}(s) \delta v_{12}(s')} \propto \overline{\delta v_{12}^2(s)} e^{-(s-s')^2/2\tau^2} \end{cases}$$

Time-scale and Markovian dynamics



Mean-field time-scale



Hypothesis : $\tau \ll \Delta t \ll \tau_{2coll}$

Two strategies can be considered:

- Considering waves directly (philosophy of exact treatment)

$$\Rightarrow \overline{\Delta |\Psi\rangle} = \frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H_{MF} |\Phi(t)\rangle - \frac{\tau \Delta t}{2\hbar^2} \overline{\delta v_{12}^2} |\Phi(t)\rangle$$

- Considering densities directly (philosophy of dissipative treatment)

$$\Rightarrow \overline{\Delta D} = \frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} [H_{MF}, D] - \frac{\tau \Delta t}{2\hbar^2} \overline{[\delta v_{12}, [\delta v_{12}, D]]}$$

Simplified scenario for introducing fluctuations beyond Mean-field

Interpretation of the equation on waves as an average over jumps:

$$\overline{\Delta|\Psi\rangle} = \frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H_{MF} |\Phi(t)\rangle - \frac{\tau \Delta t}{2\hbar^2} \overline{\delta v_{12}^2} |\Phi(t)\rangle \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \Delta|\Psi\rangle = \left\{ \frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} H_{MF} + \Delta B \delta v_{12} + \frac{1}{2} (\Delta B \delta v_{12})^2 \right\} |\Phi(t)\rangle$$

Let us simply assume that $\delta v_{12} \longrightarrow \sigma \delta v_{12}$

with $\Delta B = i\sigma \frac{\sqrt{\tau \Delta t}}{\hbar}$

SSE in one-body space

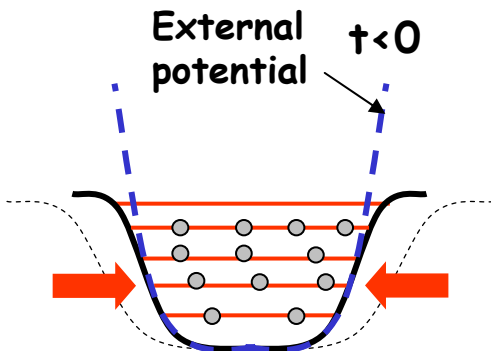
Assuming $D_{ab} = |\Phi_a\rangle \langle \Phi_b|$ with $\langle \Phi_b | \Phi_a \rangle = 1$

and $\langle a_i^+ a_j \delta v_{12}^2 \rangle \simeq \langle a_i^+ a_j \rangle \langle \delta v_{12}^2 \rangle + 2 \langle a_i^+ a_j \delta v_{12} \rangle \langle \delta v_{12} \rangle - 2 \langle a_i^+ a_j \rangle \langle \delta v_{12} \rangle^2$

$$d\rho = \frac{dt}{i\hbar} [h_{MF}, \rho] + dB_a (1 - \rho) U_\delta(\rho) \rho + dB_b^* \rho U_\delta(\rho) (1 - \rho)$$

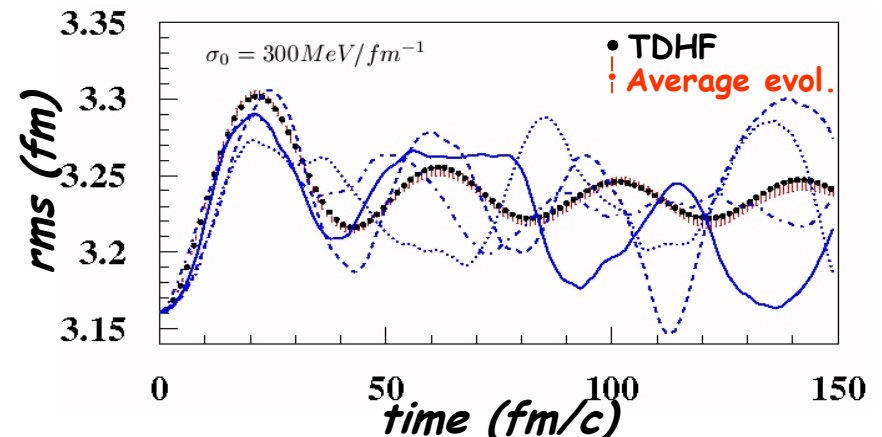
D. Lacroix, PRC73 (2006)

Application Monopole vibration in ^{40}Ca



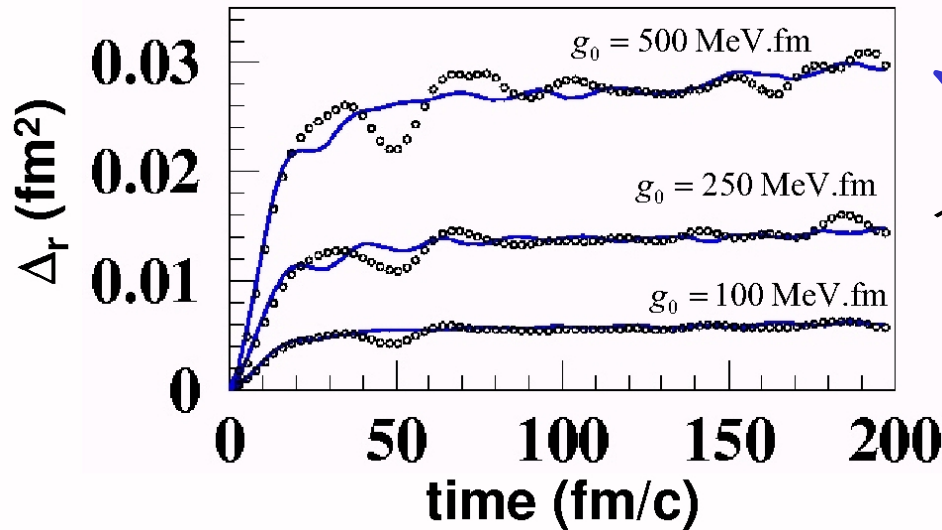
Stochastic part:

$$\delta v_{12} = \sigma_0 \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

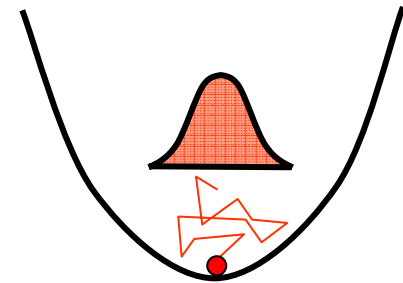


Diffusion of the rms around the mean value

Standard deviation $\Delta_r = \sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle^2 - \langle r \rangle^2}$



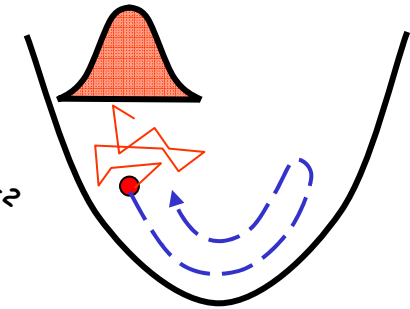
No constraint



Compression

Dilatation

$\lambda = 0.25 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}^{-2}$



Similar to Nelson stochastic theory
Nelson, Phys. Rev. 150, 1079 (1966).
Ruggiero and Zannetti, PRL 48, 963 (1982).

Summary and Critical discussion on the simplified scenario

- ➡ The stochastic method is directly applicable to nuclei
- ➡ It provide an easy way to introduce fluctuations beyond mean-field
- ➡ It does not account for dissipation.
- ➡ In nuclear physics the two particle-two-hole components dominates the residual interaction, but $U_{\delta_{2p2h}}(\rho) = 0$!!!

Quantum jump with dissipation: link between Extended TDHF and Lindblad eq.

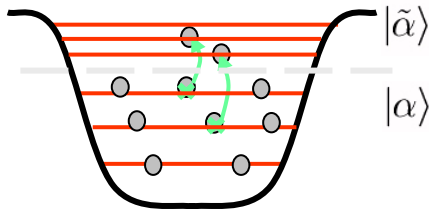
One-body density
Master equation
step by step

Initial simple state

$$D = |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|$$

$$\rho = \sum_{\alpha} |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|$$

2p-2h nature
of the interaction



Separability of the
interaction $v_{12} = \sum_{\lambda} O_{\lambda}(1)O_{\lambda}(2)$

$$\overline{\Delta D} = \frac{\Delta t}{i\hbar} [H_{MF}, D] - \frac{\tau \Delta t}{2\hbar^2} \overline{[\delta v_{12}, [\delta v_{12}, D]]}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \rho = [h_{MF}, \rho] - \frac{\tau}{2\hbar^2} \mathcal{D}(\rho)$$

with $\langle j | \mathcal{D} | i \rangle = \overline{\langle [[a_i^+ a_j, \delta v_{12}], \delta v_{12}] \rangle}$

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = Tr_2 [v_{12}, C_{12}]$$

with $C_{12} = (1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)v_{12}\rho_1\rho_2$
 $- \rho_1\rho_2v_{12}(1 - \rho_1)(1 - \rho_2)$

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = \sum_k \gamma_k (A_k A_k \rho + \rho A_k A_k - 2A_k \rho A_k)$$

- Dissipation contained in Extended TDHF is included
- The master equation is a Lindblad equation
- Associated SSE *D. Lacroix, PRC73 (2006)*

Application to Bose condensate

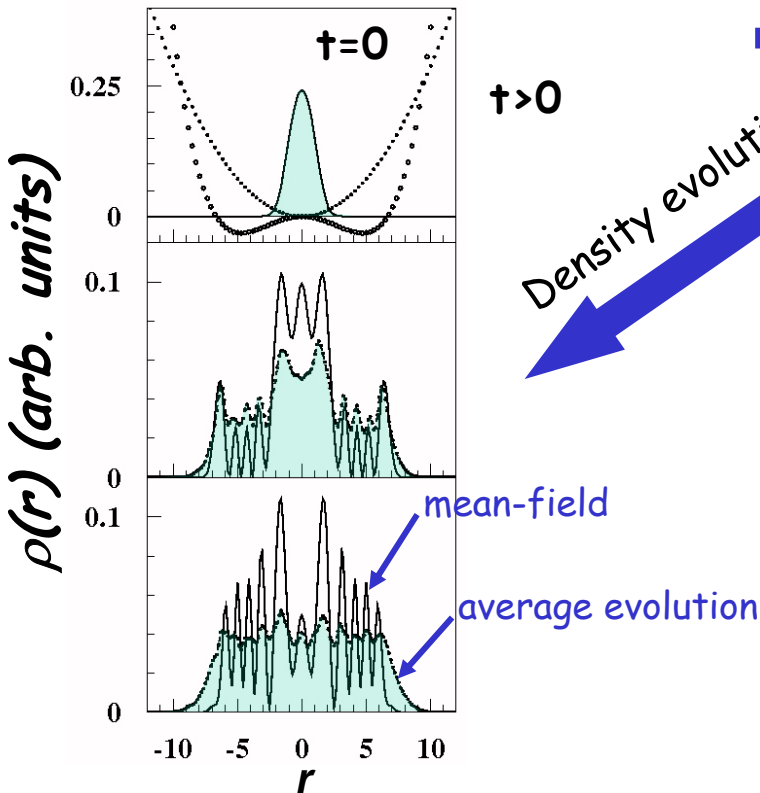
1D bose condensate with gaussian two-body interaction

N-body density: $D = |N : \alpha\rangle \langle N : \alpha|$

SSE on single-particle state :

$$d|\alpha\rangle = \left\{ \frac{dt}{i\hbar} h_{MF}(\rho) + \sum_k dW_k (1 - \rho) A_k - \frac{dt\tau}{2\hbar^2} \sum_k \gamma_k [A_k^2 \rho + \rho A_k \rho A_k - 2A_k \rho A_k] \right\} |\alpha\rangle$$

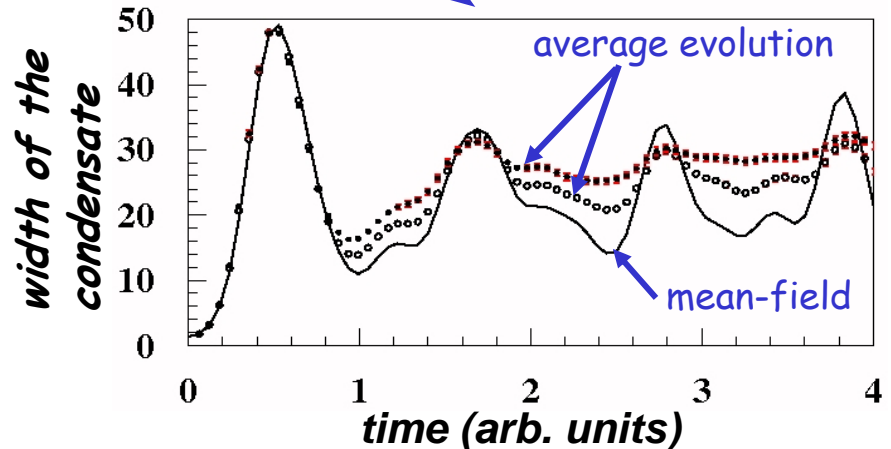
with $dW_k dW_{k'} = -\frac{dt\tau}{\hbar^2} \gamma_k \delta_{kk'}$



→ The numerical effort is fixed by the number of A_k

Density evolution

Condensate size

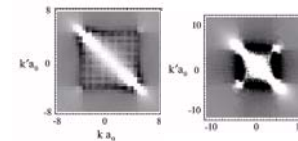
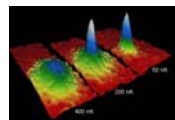
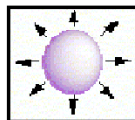
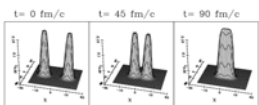
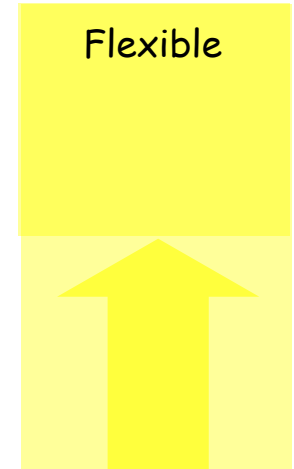
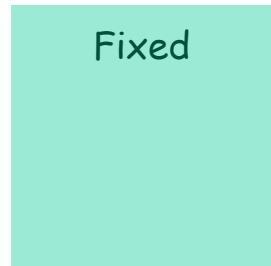


Summary Quantum Jump (QJ) methods (or SSE) to extend mean-field

Approximate evolution

| Mean-field | Simplified QJ | Generalized QJ | Exact QJ | variational QJ |
|--|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| $D = \Phi\rangle\langle\Phi $ | $D = \Phi_1\rangle\langle\Phi_2 $ | $D = \Phi\rangle\langle\Phi $ | $D = \Phi_1\rangle\langle\Phi_2 $ | $D = \Phi_1\rangle\langle\Phi_2 $ $ \Phi_1\rangle = q_1, \dots, q_N\rangle$ |
| Fluctuation Dissipation | Fluctuation ✓ Dissipation | Fluctuation ✓ Dissipation ✓ | Everything ✓ | Partially everything ✓ |

Numerical issues



Some issues

- Stochastic mean-field in the Density Functional context?
- Link with other stochastic theories?
 - path integrals
 - Nelson theory
 - measurement theory (non-demolition, conditional)...
 - Quantum Monte-Carlo methods
- Stochastic mean-field as an alternative to Generator Coordinate Method?
- Solution to numerical instabilities
- Dissipative system: role of non-Markovian effects?
- ...