

Vortex gas and negative Temperature.

- ① 2D Euler and Vortex gas.
- ② Negative Temperature.
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① 2D Euler and Vortex gas

In the limit  $Ka \rightarrow \infty$ , we justified the formal derivation of the Euler equation.

Neglecting fluctuations of the density,  $T \propto \rho$  decouple to yield

Incompressible Euler

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + u \partial_x u + \partial_x p = 0 \\ \partial_x \cdot u = 0 \end{cases}$$

Let us here consider (EE) in two-D  $u = u(x,y) \quad p = p(x,y) \dots$

Upon taking the curl, (EE) becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \omega + u \cdot \nabla \omega &= 0 \\ \omega &\equiv \partial_x u_y - \partial_y u_x = -\nabla^2 \psi \\ u &= \begin{pmatrix} \partial_y \\ -\partial_x \end{pmatrix} \psi = \nabla^\perp \psi \end{aligned}$$

$\vec{u} = (u_x, u_y)$

Good  
Bad notation abt!  
here  $\partial_x$  is scalar

ob): In the form, (EE) resembles a transport equation, but the velocity is active: it retroacts on the velocity field via the stream function.

• (EE) admits "point-vortex" solutions, whereby  $\omega = 0$  except on a discrete set of zero-measure:

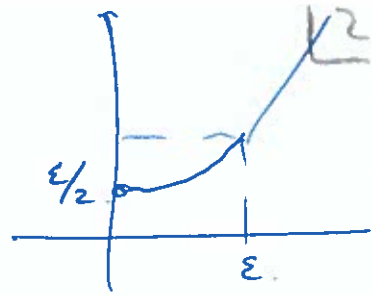
$\omega_\varepsilon(x) \equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \gamma_\alpha \delta[x - X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t)]$

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with  $X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t) = \vec{U}_\alpha^\varepsilon = \nabla_\alpha^\perp \psi_\varepsilon$  ;  $\psi_\varepsilon = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \frac{\gamma_\alpha}{2\pi} \log|x_\alpha - x_\beta|_\varepsilon$

$$|r| \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \stackrel{0}{=} \left[ \frac{r^2}{2\varepsilon} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right] |r| \frac{1}{\varepsilon}.$$

e.g.



then

Formally:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \omega_\varepsilon(x, t) &= - \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \gamma_\alpha \nabla_x \delta[x - X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t)] \dot{X}_\alpha^\varepsilon(t). \\ &= - \partial_x \circ \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \delta(x - X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t)) v_\varepsilon[X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t)] \\ &= - v_\varepsilon(x, t) \circ \partial_x \underbrace{\sum_{\alpha=1}^N \delta(x - X_\alpha^\varepsilon(t))}_{\omega_\varepsilon(x, t)}. \end{aligned}$$

$\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  :  $\underbrace{\gamma_\varepsilon \omega(x, t) + v(x, t) \circ \partial_x \omega}_{\omega_\varepsilon(x, t)} \Rightarrow$

↳ weakly (ie one has to integrate w/ obs).

$\Rightarrow$  the fluid equations (Euler) generate a new type of particles, the vortex (point).

The fundamental observation at this point is that the dynamics of a system of P.V is hamiltonian!

$$\vec{Z} = \{Z, H\}.$$

with:

$$H_\varepsilon = - \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \frac{\gamma_\alpha \gamma_\beta}{4\pi} \log r_{\alpha\beta}^\varepsilon + c\varepsilon \quad r_{\alpha\beta}^\varepsilon = \|\vec{x}_\alpha - \vec{x}_\beta\|_\varepsilon.$$

$$f \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right\} \frac{1}{\gamma_\alpha}.$$

Obs: Naturally,  $\forall \alpha \delta \alpha > 0$ .

- $H_E$  defined up to a constant.
- Constants of motion include, ~~etc~~

Angular momentum  $L = \sum_{\alpha} \Gamma_{\alpha} \Gamma_{\alpha}^2$

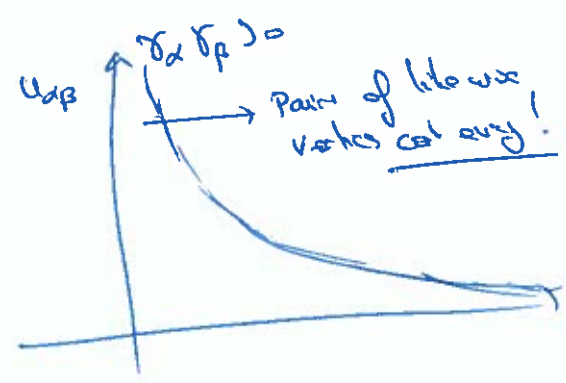
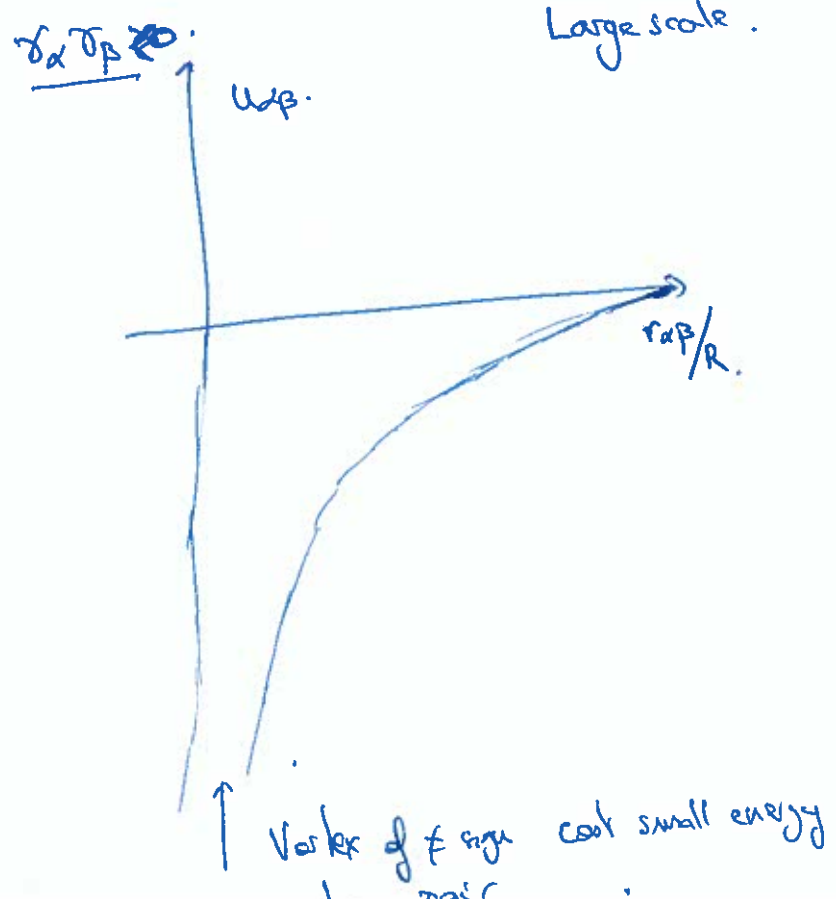
Linear Impulses  $\Gamma_{\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} x_{\alpha} \\ y_{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \Gamma_{\alpha}$

- Very peculiar Hamiltonian: no kinetic energy!!

A vortex is very  $\neq$  than a free particle: left alone, it stays still!!

$$U_{\alpha\beta} = -\delta_{\alpha} \delta_{\beta} \log r_{\alpha\beta} / R$$

Large scale.



$\Rightarrow$  Presence of long-range interactions will create structures for the equilibrium state!  
(unlike GP!)

## ② Negative Temperature

Assume that the gas of vortices is confined in some ways

→ Either by confining opposite sign vortices in a bounded container  
(sphere, disk, etc)

→ or by considering gas of same-sign vortices in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Then Hamiltonian structure allows to construct standard  
thermodynamic ensemble, and describe (perhaps) long-time state  
of the  $\Sigma$  following standard procedure.

Yet, here  $\Gamma$ -space is very particular, unlike G.P

$\Gamma$  is bounded

$$\Gamma = \{ (z_1, \dots, z_N) \in \mathbb{D}^N \}$$

This has a special implication for temperature.

Consider microcanonical statistics:

$$P_{T,E} = \frac{\delta [H(\{z\}) - E]}{g(E)}$$

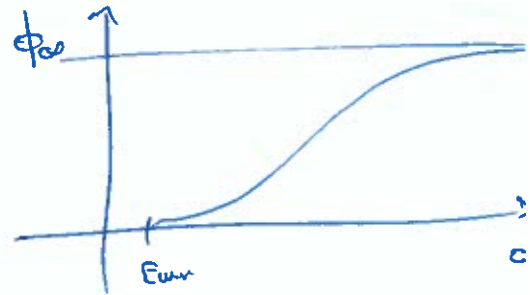
$$g(E) = \int_{\mathbb{D}^N = \Gamma} \delta [H(\{z\}) - E] dz_1 \dots dz_N$$

Introduce  $\phi(E) \equiv \int_{E_{min}}^E dE' g(E')$  [ # state  $\ll E$  ] (5)

$\phi(E)$  ranges from 0 to finite value  $\mathcal{N}$  as  $E \rightarrow \infty$

i.e.  $\lim_{E \rightarrow \infty} \phi(E) = \mathcal{N} < \infty$ .

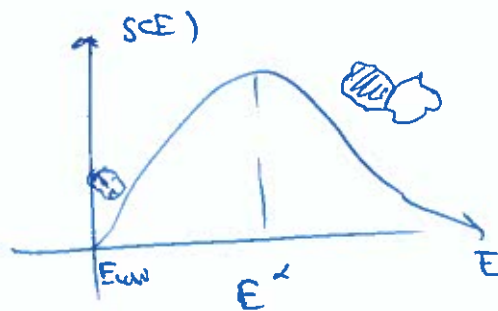
$$\mathcal{N} = \int_{E_{min}}^{\infty} dE g(E)$$



$\phi \uparrow \exists$  inflection point:  $\phi''(E) = 0$ .

i.e.  $\exists E^* g'(E^*) = 0$ , eg  $\underline{S(E^*) = 0}$ .

For  $E < E^*$  expect positive temperature, Low energy part of occupancy val  
 For  $E > E^*$  expect negative temperature, High Energy part of occupancy val



Question in the relevant thermo limit, is  $\underline{E^* < \infty}$ ?

The answer is... yes!

As the relevant thermo limit implies

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$E = -\sigma^2 \langle \log k_p \rangle N^2 \rightarrow 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \sim 1/N, (\Rightarrow T = \sigma N \rightarrow 1)$$

Obs:  $\Psi$  of negative T.

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A negative temperature is hotter than any positive temperature.

### ③ Thermodynamic limit

To describe the emerging macroscopic structure, one needs to determine the macrostate  $f_2(r) = N p_1(r)$

= # vertices / unit  $\Delta r = dx dy$ .

The long-range nature of the interaction potential is particularly useful, in that it prescribes the MF limit

$f_2^*$  is determined by solving.

$$-\int p_1 \log p_1 \rightarrow \text{sup.}$$

$$\Psi(r) = \int G(r, r') \langle \omega(r') \rangle d^d$$

$$E_0 = \int G(r, r') \langle \omega(r) \rangle d^d$$

$$N_0 = \int \langle \omega(r) \rangle d^d$$

$$L_0 = \int \langle \omega(r) \rangle r^2 d^d$$

Obs  $\omega(r) = \sum_i f_i(r) = N \delta p_1(r) = \underline{\sum_i p_i(r)}$

$N \delta = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{i,c}$

This prescribes:

$$f_1 = A e^{-\beta \psi'} \quad \psi' = \psi + \gamma r^2$$

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And A is solution to the Poisson-Boltzmann equation:

$$\langle \omega \rangle = \tilde{A} e^{-\beta \psi} = -\nabla^2 \psi \quad (*) \quad + \text{B.C.}$$

In  $g^{-1}$  solvng (\*) is not trivial.

④ Obs: Detailed justification of M.F asymptotics rely on kinetic theory ⊕ BBGKY type argument.

• One can prove  $\beta > \beta_c = \frac{-\delta \pi}{\nu \delta^2} = -\frac{\delta \pi N}{T^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} g(E, \nu) &= \int^R \int^R \delta(E + \frac{\gamma^2}{4\pi} \sum_{i,j} p_{ij}(i)) \\ &= |\Omega|^N \int_{\vec{x}_i = \frac{\vec{x}_i}{a}} \int_0^1 \delta(E + \frac{\gamma^2}{4\pi} \sum_{i,j} \log R + \gamma^2 \sum_{i,j} \log |x_i - x_j|) \\ &= |\Omega|^N g(E', \nu) \quad E' = E + \frac{\gamma^2 N^2}{8\pi} \log |\Omega| \end{aligned}$$

$$S(E, \nu) = N \log |\Omega| + S(E', \nu)$$

$$\beta = T \frac{\partial S}{\partial \nu} = \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial E'} \frac{\gamma^2 N^2}{8\pi |\Omega|} + \frac{N}{\nu} \right) + \left| \begin{array}{l} \beta = \frac{NT}{\nu} \left( 1 + \frac{\pi}{28\pi \beta} \right) \\ \beta_c = -\frac{N \delta \pi}{T^2} \end{array} \right.$$



In fact negative temperature states signals self-organization.

One can rely on stable states without having to 'coarsen' discrete into discrete values.

Pb remains: Kinetic theory for gas as H-Theorem guarantees

convergence towards global (or local) eq state  $\Rightarrow$

$\Sigma$  can be trapped in q.s. state.

Pb: Kinetic theory to demand order yields collective solutions

$2f_i + (u) \partial_x f_i = 0.$

To have collision operator we need to take into account for after  $\Rightarrow$  more subtle!

ob) unit sphere:  $H_2 = - \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} T_\alpha T_\beta \log(1 - \cos \varphi_{\alpha\beta})$



$\cos \varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \underbrace{\cos \theta_\alpha \cos \theta_\beta}_{\text{oblique}} + \underbrace{m_\alpha m_\beta \cos(\varphi_\alpha - \varphi_\beta)}_{\text{logarithm}}$

Canonical variables:  $q_\alpha = T_\alpha \cos \theta_\alpha$ ,  $p_\alpha = \varphi_\alpha$ .