

From normal to anomalous deterministic diffusion Part 3: Anomalous diffusion

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Outline

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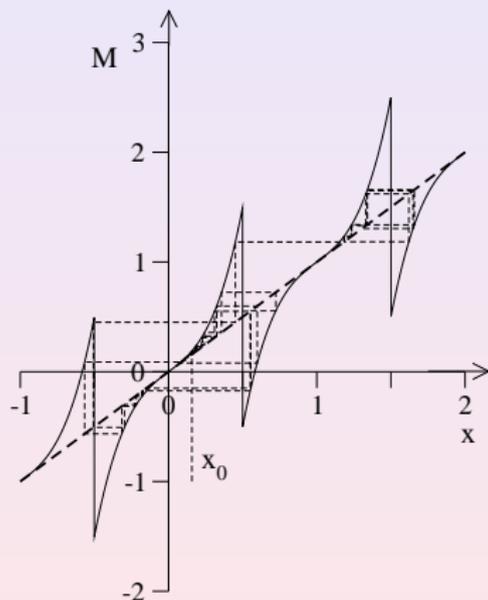
- ② **From normal to anomalous deterministic diffusion:**
normal diffusion in particle billiards and anomalous diffusion in intermittent maps

note: work by [T.Akimoto](#)

today:

- ③ **Anomalous diffusion:**
generalized diffusion and Langevin equations, biological cell migration and fluctuation relations

Reminder: Intermittent map and CTRW theory



subdiffusion coefficient calculated from CTRW theory

key: solve **Montroll-Weiss equation** in Fourier-Laplace space,

$$\hat{\varrho}(k, s) = \frac{1 - \tilde{w}(s)}{s} \frac{1}{1 - \hat{\lambda}(k) \tilde{w}(s)}$$

Time-fractional equation for subdiffusion

For the lifted **PM map** $M(x) = x + ax^z \bmod 1$, the MW equation in long-time and large-space asymptotic form reads

$$s^\gamma \hat{\varrho} - s^{\gamma-1} = -\frac{pl^2 a^\gamma}{2\Gamma(1-\gamma)\gamma^\gamma} k^2 \hat{\varrho}, \quad \gamma := 1/(z-1)$$

LHS is the Laplace transform of the **Caputo fractional derivative**

$$\frac{\partial^\gamma \varrho}{\partial t^\gamma} := \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} & \gamma = 1 \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\gamma)} \int_0^t dt' (t-t')^{-\gamma} \frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t'} & 0 < \gamma < 1 \end{cases}$$

transforming the Montroll-Weiss eq. back to real space yields the **time-fractional (sub)diffusion equation**

$$\frac{\partial^\gamma \varrho(x, t)}{\partial t^\gamma} = K \frac{\Gamma(1+\alpha)}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \varrho(x, t)}{\partial x^2}$$

Interlude: What is a fractional derivative?

letter from **Leibniz to L'Hôpital (1695)**: $\frac{d^{1/2}}{dx^{1/2}} = ?$

one way to proceed: we know that for integer m, n

$$\frac{d^m}{dx^m} x^n = \frac{n!}{(n-m)!} x^{n-m} = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(n-m+1)} x^{n-m};$$

assume that this also holds for $m = 1/2, n = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^{1/2}}{dx^{1/2}} x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} x^{1/2}}$$

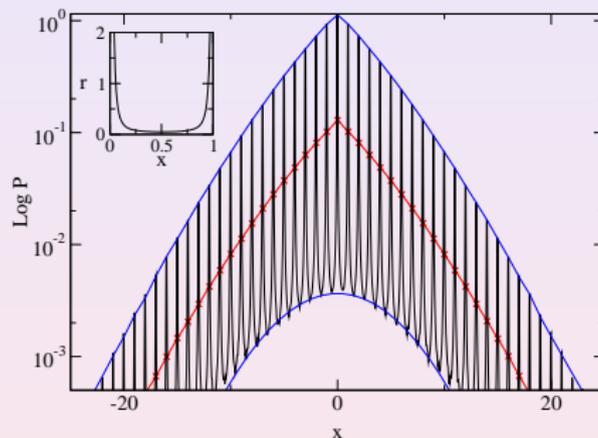
fractional derivatives are defined via **power law memory kernels**, which yield **power laws in Fourier (Laplace) space**:

$$\frac{d^\gamma}{dx^\gamma} F(x) \leftrightarrow (ik)^\gamma \tilde{F}(k)$$

∃ well-developed mathematical theory of **fractional calculus**;
see **Sokolov, Klafter, Blumen, Phys. Today 2002** for a short intro

Deterministic vs. stochastic density

initial value problem for fractional diffusion equation can be solved exactly; compare with simulation results for $P = \varrho_n(x)$:



- **Gaussian and non-Gaussian envelopes (blue)** reflect intermittency
- **fine structure** due to density on the unit interval $r = \varrho_n(x)$ ($n \gg 1$) (see inset)

Escape rate theory for anomalous diffusion?

recall the **escape rate theory** of Lecture 1 expressing the (normal) diffusion coefficient in terms of chaos quantities:

$$D = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{L}{\pi} \right)^2 [\lambda(\mathcal{R}_L) - h_{KS}(\mathcal{R}_L)]$$

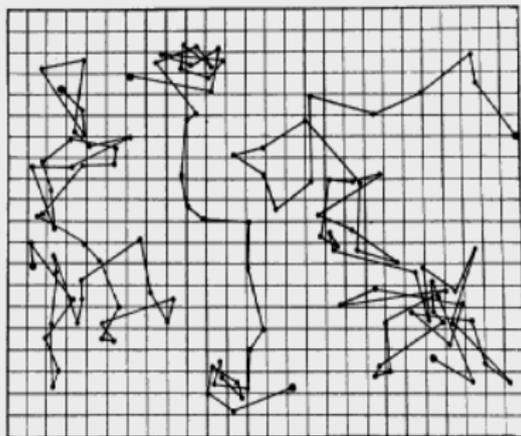
Q: Can this also be worked out for the **subdiffusive PM map**?

- 1 solve the previous fractional subdiffusion equation for absorbing boundaries: can be done
- 2 solve the Frobenius-Perron equation of the subdiffusive PM map: ?? (\exists methods by **Tasaki, Gaspard (2004)**)
- 3 even if step 2 possible and modes can be matched: \exists an anomalous escape rate formula ???

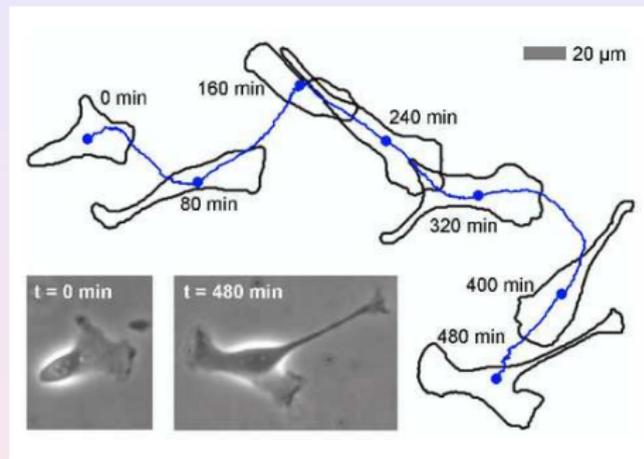
two big open questions...

Motivation: biological cell migration

Brownian motion



3 colloidal particles of radius $0.53\mu\text{m}$; positions every 30 seconds, joined by straight lines (Perrin, 1913)



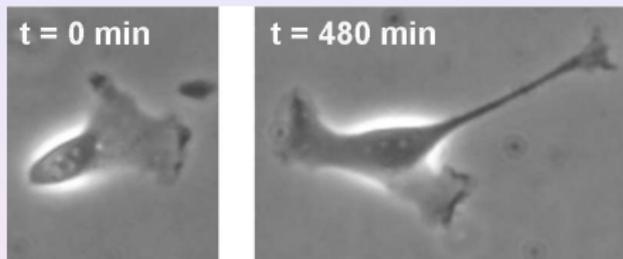
single biological cell crawling on a substrate (Dieterich, R.K. et al., PNAS, 2008)

Brownian motion?

Our cell types and how they migrate

MDCK-F (Madin-Darby
canine kidney) cells

two types: wildtype (NHE^+)
and NHE-deficient (NHE^-)



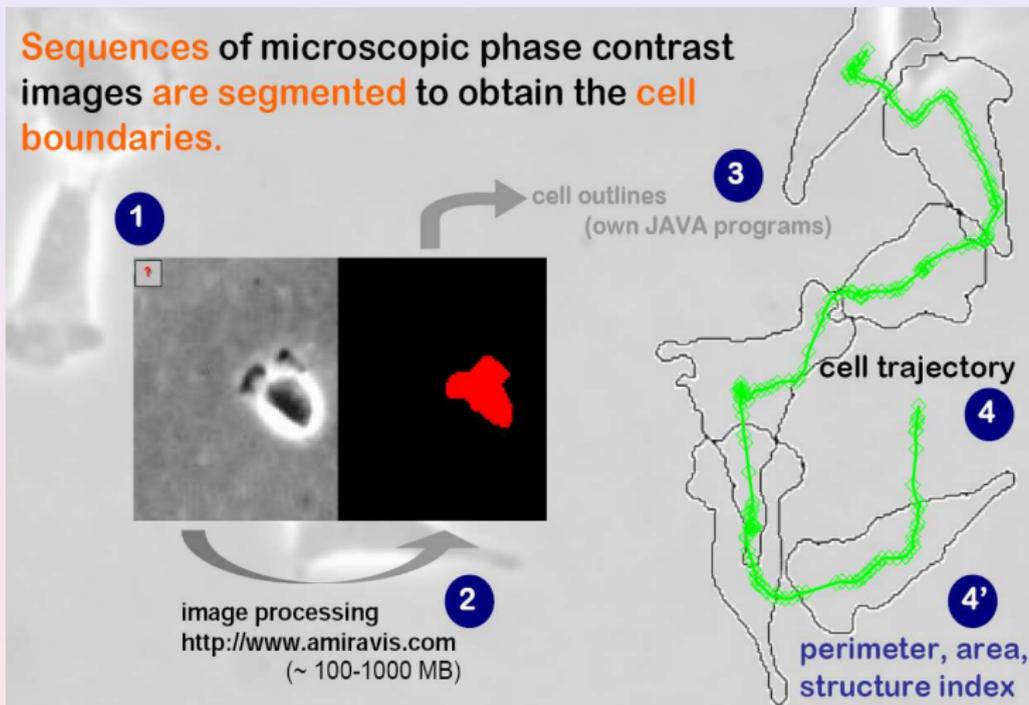
movie: NHE+: t=210min, dt=3min

note:

the *microscopic origin* of cell migration is a **highly complex process** involving a huge number of proteins and signaling mechanisms in the *cytoskeleton*, which is a complicated *biopolymer gel* – we do not consider this here!

Measuring cell migration

Sequences of microscopic phase contrast images **are segmented** to obtain the **cell boundaries**.

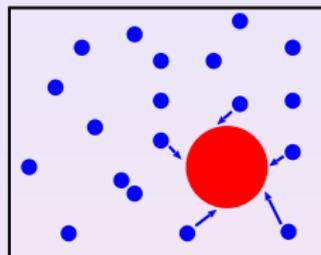


Theoretical modeling: the Langevin equation

Newton's law for a particle of mass m and velocity \underline{v} immersed in a fluid

$$m\dot{\underline{v}} = \underline{F}_d(t) + \underline{F}_r(t)$$

with total force of surrounding particles decomposed into *viscous damping* $\underline{F}_d(t)$ and *random kicks* $\underline{F}_r(t)$



suppose $\underline{F}_d(t)/m = -\kappa\underline{v}$ and $\underline{F}_r(t)/m = \sqrt{\zeta} \underline{\xi}(t)$ as *Gaussian white noise* of strength $\sqrt{\zeta}$:

$$\dot{\underline{v}} + \kappa\underline{v} = \sqrt{\zeta} \underline{\xi}(t)$$

Langevin equation (1908)

'Newton's law of stochastic physics': apply to cell migration?

note: Brownian particles **passively** driven, whereas cells move **actively** by themselves!

Solving Langevin dynamics

calculate two important quantities (in one dimension):

1. the **diffusion coefficient** $D := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{msd(t)}{2t}$

with $msd(t) := \langle [x(t) - x(0)]^2 \rangle$; for Langevin eq. one obtains $msd(t) = 2v_{th}^2 (t - \kappa^{-1}(1 - \exp(-\kappa t))) / \kappa$ with $v_{th}^2 = kT/m$
 note that $msd(t) \sim t^2 (t \rightarrow 0)$ and $msd(t) \sim t (t \rightarrow \infty) \Rightarrow \exists D$

2. the **probability distribution function** $P(x, v, t)$:

- Langevin dynamics obeys (for $\kappa \gg 1$) the **diffusion equation**

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2}$$

solution for initial condition $P(x, 0) = \delta(x)$ yields *position distribution* $P(x, t) = \exp(-\frac{x^2}{4Dt}) / \sqrt{4\pi Dt}$

Fokker-Planck equations

- for *velocity distribution* $P(v, t)$ of Langevin dynamics one can derive the **Fokker-Planck equation**

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \kappa \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v} v + v_{th}^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v^2} \right] P$$

stationary solution is $P(v) = \exp(-\frac{v^2}{2v_{th}^2}) / \sqrt{2\pi} v_{th}$

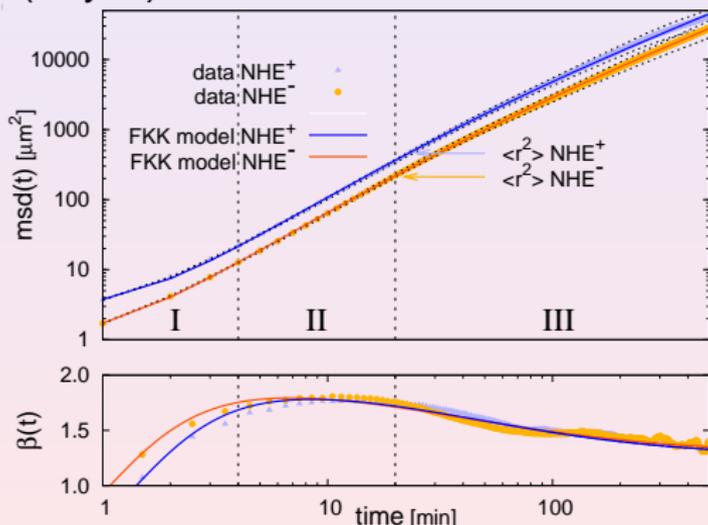
- Fokker-Planck equation for position *and* velocity distribution $P(x, v, t)$ of Langevin dynamics is the **Klein-Kramers equation**

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [vP] + \kappa \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v} v + v_{th}^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v^2} \right] P$$

the above two eqns. can be derived from it as special cases

Experimental results I: mean square displacement

- $msd(t) := \langle [x(t) - x(0)]^2 \rangle \sim t^\beta$ with $\beta \rightarrow 2$ ($t \rightarrow 0$) and $\beta \rightarrow 1$ ($t \rightarrow \infty$) for Brownian motion; $\beta(t) = d \ln msd(t) / d \ln t$
- *solid lines*: (Bayes) fits from our model



anomalous diffusion if $\beta \neq 1$ ($t \rightarrow \infty$): here **superdiffusion**

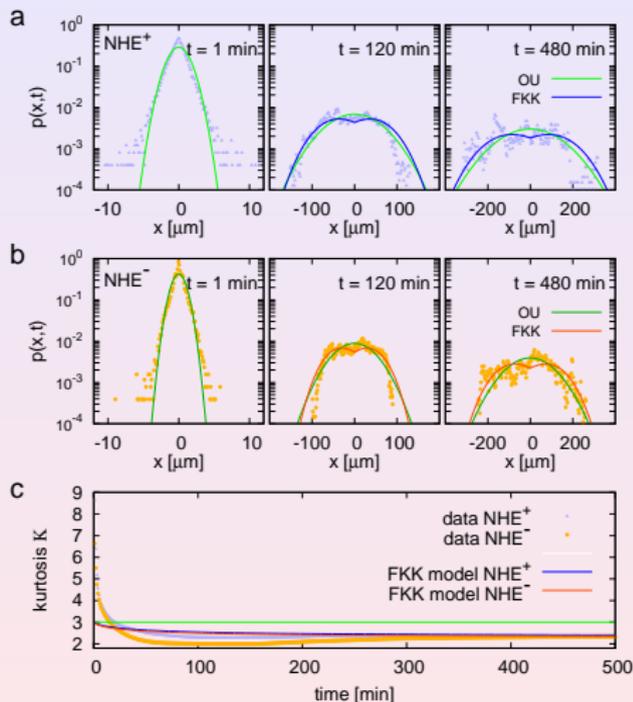
Experimental results II: position distribution function

- $P(x, t) \rightarrow$ Gaussian ($t \rightarrow \infty$) and kurtosis

$$\kappa(t) := \frac{\langle x^4(t) \rangle}{\langle x^2(t) \rangle^2} \rightarrow 3 \quad (t \rightarrow \infty)$$

for Brownian motion (green lines, in 1d)

- *other solid lines*: fits from our model; parameter values as before



\Rightarrow crossover from peaked to broad **non-Gaussian distributions**

The generalized model

- **Fractional Klein-Kramers equation** (Barkai, Silbey, 2000):

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [vP] + \frac{\partial^{1-\alpha}}{\partial t^{1-\alpha}} \kappa \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v} v + v_{th}^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v^2} \right] P$$

with probability distribution $P = P(x, v, t)$, damping term κ , thermal velocity $v_{th}^2 = kT/m$ and **Riemann-Liouville fractional derivative** of order $1 - \alpha$

for $\alpha = 1$ Langevin's theory of Brownian motion recovered

- **analytical solutions** for $msd(t)$ and $P(x, t)$ can be obtained in terms of special functions (Barkai, Silbey, 2000; Schneider, Wyss, 1989)

- **4 fit parameters** v_{th}, α, κ (plus another one for short-time dynamics)

Possible physical interpretation

- **physical meaning of the fractional derivative?**

fractional Klein-Kramers equation can *approximately* be related to generalized Langevin equation of the type

$$\dot{v} + \int_0^t dt' \kappa(t-t')v(t') = \sqrt{\zeta} \xi(t)$$

e.g., Mori, Kubo, 1965/66

with **time-dependent friction coefficient** $\kappa(t) \sim t^{-\alpha}$

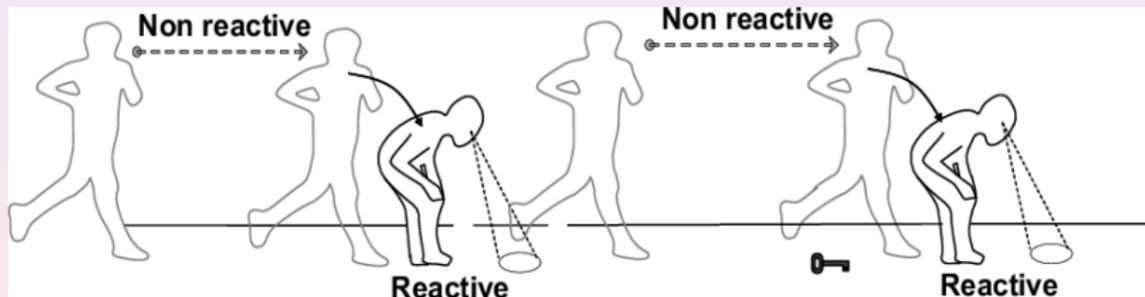
cell anomalies might originate from **soft glassy behavior** of the cytoskeleton gel, where power law exponents are conjectured to be universal (Fabry et al., 2003; Kroy et al., 2008)

Possible biological interpretation

- **biological meaning of anomalous cell migration?**

experimental data and theoretical modeling suggest *slower diffusion for small times* while *long-time motion is faster*

compare with **intermittent optimal search strategies** of foraging animals (Bénichou et al., 2006)



note: ∃ current controversy about **Lévy hypothesis for optimal foraging of organisms** (albatross, fruitflies, bumblebees,...)

Fluctuation relations

system evolving from an initial state into a nonequilibrium state;
measure pdf $\rho(W_t)$ of entropy production W_t during time t :

$$\ln \frac{\rho(W_t)}{\rho(-W_t)} = W_t \quad \text{transient fluctuation relation (TFR)}$$

Evans, Cohen, Morriss (1993); Gallavotti, Cohen (1995)

- 1 generalizes the **Second Law** to small noneq. systems
- 2 yields **nonlinear response relations**
- 3 connection with **fluctuation dissipation relations** (FDR)

example: check the above TFR for Langevin dynamics with constant field F ; $W_t = Fx(t)$, $\rho(W_t) \sim \rho(x, t)$ is Gaussian

$$\text{TFR holds if } \langle W_t \rangle = \langle \sigma_{W_t}^2 \rangle / 2 \quad (\text{FDR1})$$

for Gaussian stochastic process: **FDR2 \Rightarrow FDR1 \Rightarrow TFR**

An anomalous fluctuation relation

check TFR for the **overdamped generalized Langevin equation**

$$\dot{x} = F + \xi(t)$$

with $\langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle \sim |t - t'|^{-\beta}$, $0 < \beta < 1$: **no FDT2**

$\rho(W_t)$ is Gaussian with $\langle W_t \rangle \sim t$, $\langle \sigma_{W_t}^2 \rangle \sim t^{2-\beta}$: **no FDT1**
and superdiffusion

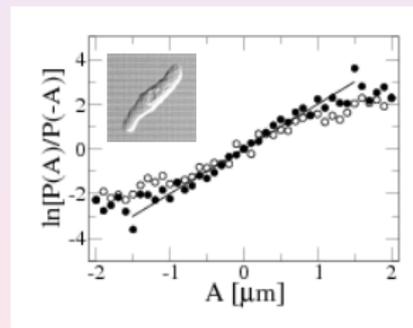
$$\ln \frac{\rho(W_t)}{\rho(-W_t)} = C_\beta t^{\beta-1} W_t$$

$(0 < \beta < 1)$

anomalous TFR

Chechkin, R.K. (2009)

experiments on slime mold:

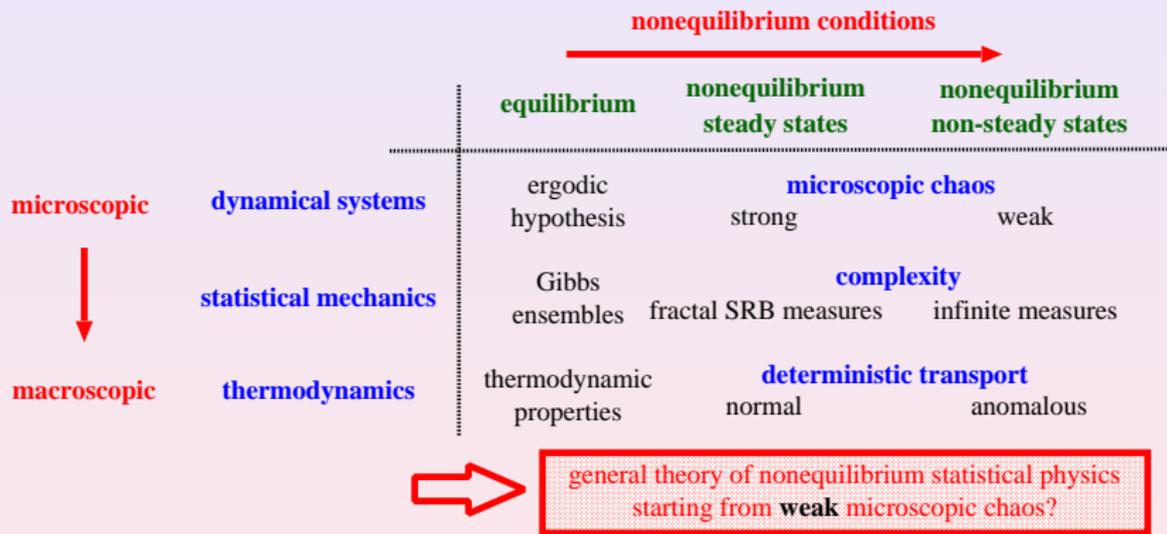


Hayashi, Takagi (2007)

note: we see this aTFR in experiments on cell migration

Dieterich, Chechkin, Schwab, R.K., tbp

Summary



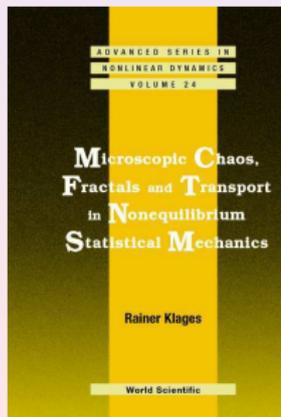
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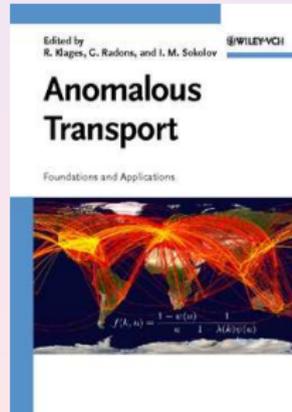
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