

$$\dot{p} = -\gamma p - \frac{\partial \tilde{V}}{\partial x} + \xi$$

DRIFT

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$$\langle \xi \xi \rangle = \frac{2M}{\gamma} \delta(t-t')$$

$$\dot{p} = -\gamma p + F + \xi_e \quad \text{Ornstein-Uhlenbeck with forcing term}$$

$$p(t) = e^{-\gamma t} p(0) + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} [\xi(t') + F]$$

$$\langle p(t) \rangle = e^{-\gamma t} \langle p(0) \rangle + F e^{-\gamma t} \frac{e^{\gamma t} - 1}{\gamma}$$

average over particles' initial condition can be omitted

$$\langle p(t) \rangle \rightarrow \frac{F}{\gamma} \quad \text{Aristotle's law} \quad \langle p \rangle \propto F!$$

$F = eE$  along a given direction say  $x$

$$M \langle v \rangle = \frac{eE}{\gamma}$$

for  $N$  particles the number current

$$J_x = n \langle v \rangle \quad n = \frac{N}{V} \leftarrow \text{volume}$$

the electrical current

$$J_x = e n \langle v \rangle$$

$$J_x = e n \frac{eE}{M\gamma} = n \frac{e^2 \tau}{M} E$$

Drude

scattering time

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

damping rate

see below

$$\mu \Rightarrow \langle v \rangle = \mu E$$

$$\mu = \frac{e}{M\gamma}$$

# DIFFUSION

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"free" particle: a particle under the  
sole action of the bath  $F=0$

$$p(t) = e^{-\gamma t} p(0) + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \xi(t')$$

$$\langle p(t) \rangle = e^{-\gamma t} \langle p(0) \rangle \rightarrow 0$$

average over particle's initial conditions  
can be omitted

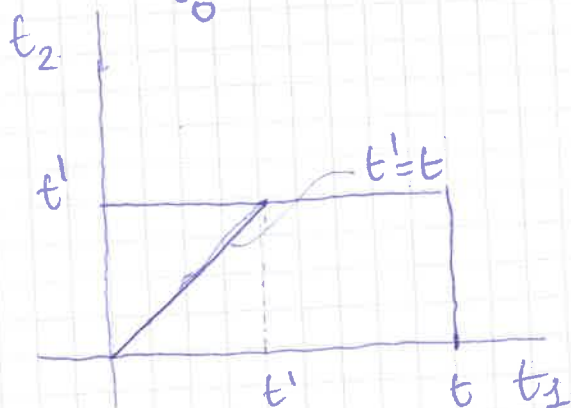
what's about  $\langle p^2(t) \rangle$  ?

let us evaluate the correlation function

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p(t) p(t') \rangle &= e^{-\gamma(t+t')} \langle p^2(0) \rangle + \\ &+ \int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^{t'} dt_2 e^{-\gamma(t+t'-t_1-t_2)} \underbrace{\langle \xi(t_1) \xi(t_2) \rangle}_{\frac{2M\gamma}{\beta} \delta(t_1-t_2)} \end{aligned}$$

assume  $t > t'$

$$\int_0^{t'} dt_1 e^{-\gamma(t+t'-2t_1)} \frac{2M\gamma}{\beta}$$



$t > t'$

$$\langle p(t)p(t') \rangle = e^{-\gamma(t+t')} \langle p(0)^2 \rangle + \frac{2M\gamma}{\beta} e^{-\gamma(t+t')} \frac{e^{2\gamma \min(t,t')}}{2\gamma} 1$$

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$t > t'$

$$\langle p(t)p(0) \rangle = e^{-\gamma(t+t')} \langle p(0)^2 \rangle + \frac{M}{\beta} \left( \frac{e^{-\gamma(t-t')}}{1} e^{-\gamma(t+t')} \right)$$

now lets  $t \rightarrow \infty, t' \rightarrow \infty$   $t-t' = \text{const}$

$$\langle p(t)p(t') \rangle \simeq \frac{M}{\beta} e^{-\gamma(t-t')} \quad t > t'$$

fading of velocity correlation

$$\langle p^2(t) \rangle = e^{-2\gamma t} \langle p(0)^2 \rangle + \frac{M}{\beta} (1 - e^{-2\gamma t}) = M k_B T$$

$$\frac{\langle p^2(t) \rangle}{2M} = \frac{1}{2} k_B T \quad \text{equilibrium}$$

particle diffusion

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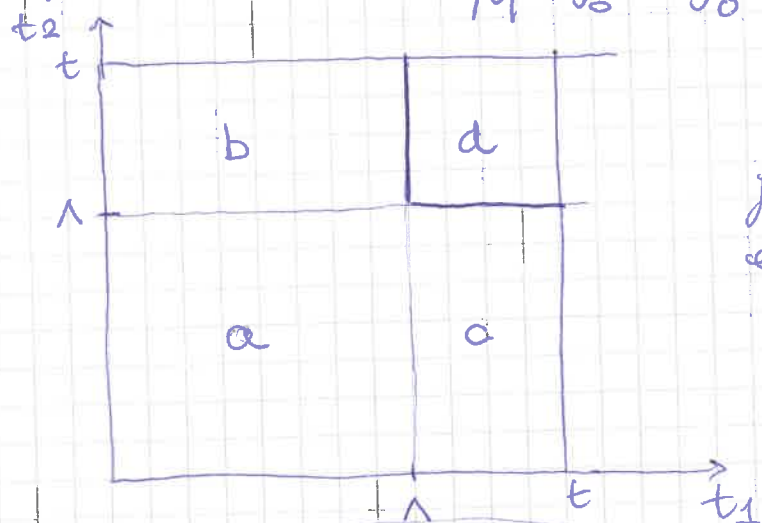
MSD of a particle



$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle$$

$$X(t) = X(0) + \frac{1}{M} \int_0^t dt' p(t')$$

$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{M^2} \int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^t dt_2 \underbrace{\langle p(t_1) p(t_2) \rangle}_C$$



for  $t \gtrsim \Lambda$  asymptotic  
expressions of  $\langle p(t) p(t') \rangle$   
holds

$$\text{MSD} = \frac{1}{M^2} \int_0^{\Lambda} dt_1 \int_0^{\Lambda} dt_2 C(t_1, t_2) + \text{constant}$$

$$\frac{1}{M^2} \int_{\Lambda}^t dt_1 \int_0^{\Lambda} dt_2 C(t_1, t_2) \quad \leftarrow t_1 \gg t_2 \quad C_1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ expon}$$

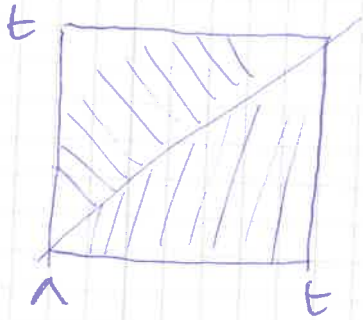
$$\frac{1}{M^2} \int_0^{\Lambda} dt_1 \int_{\Lambda}^t dt_2 C(t_1, t_2) \quad \leftarrow t_2 \gg t_1 \quad C_2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ expon}$$

$$\frac{1}{M^2} \int_{\Lambda}^t dt_1 \int_{\Lambda}^t dt_2 \underbrace{C(t_1, t_2)}_{\text{asympt}}$$

$$\int_1^t dt_1 \int_1^t dt_2 \frac{M}{\beta} e^{-\gamma |t_1 - t_2|} =$$

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$$= 2 \int_1^t dt_1 \int_1^{t_1} dt_2 \frac{M}{\beta} e^{-\gamma (t_1 - t_2)} =$$



$$\int_{\square} = 2 \int_{\Delta}$$

$$= 2 \int_1^t dt_1 e^{\gamma t_1} \frac{M}{\beta} \frac{1}{\gamma} (e^{-\gamma t_1} - e^{-\gamma 1}) =$$

$$= 2 \int_1^t dt_1 \frac{M}{\beta \gamma} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{2M}{\beta \gamma} (t - 1) \quad \text{increase with time}$$

$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle \rightarrow \frac{2}{\beta M \gamma} t$$

$$\sqrt{\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle} \propto \sqrt{t}$$

definition

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle = 2dDt \Rightarrow$$

$\uparrow$   
 Dimension  
 $d=1$

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{M \gamma}$$



# Relation Drift - Diffusion

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$$\mu = \frac{e}{m\gamma}$$

↑  
in the presence  
of external  
electric field

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{m\gamma}$$

↑  
in absence  
of external  
field

$$\mu = \frac{e D}{k_B T}$$

← Einstein's  
relation

$$\langle p(t) \rangle = e^{-\gamma t} \langle p(0) \rangle + \int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} e E(t')$$

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$$E(t) = E_0 \cos \omega t$$

$$\int_0^t dt' e^{-\gamma(t-t')} e^{\pm i\omega t'} = e^{-\gamma t} \int_0^t dt' e^{(\gamma \pm i\omega)t'} = e^{-\gamma t} \frac{e^{(\gamma \pm i\omega)t} - 1}{\gamma \pm i\omega}$$

$$\langle p(t) \rangle = e^{-\gamma t} \langle p(0) \rangle + \frac{e E_0}{2} \left( \frac{e^{i\omega t} - e^{-\gamma t}}{\gamma + i\omega} + \frac{e^{-i\omega t} - e^{-\gamma t}}{\gamma - i\omega} \right)$$

$$t \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\langle p(t) \rangle \approx \frac{e E_0}{2} \frac{e^{i\omega t} (\gamma - i\omega) + e^{-i\omega t} (\gamma + i\omega)}{\gamma^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$= e E_0 \frac{\gamma}{\gamma^2 + \omega^2} \cos \omega t$$

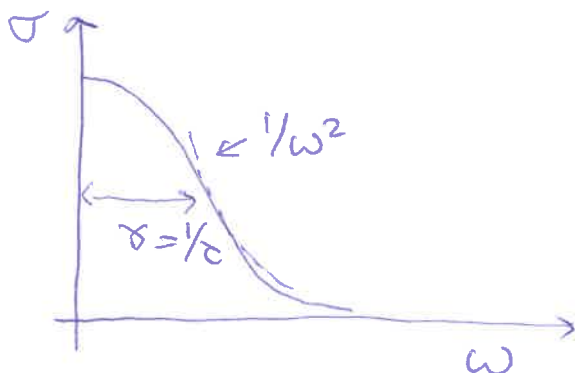
$$\langle J \rangle = \frac{e}{M} \langle p(t) \rangle = \frac{m e^2}{M} \frac{\gamma}{\gamma^2 + \omega^2} E(t)$$

$$\sigma(\omega) = \sigma(0) \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma^2 + \omega^2}$$

Drude Peak  
Drude AC response

$$\sigma(0) = \frac{n e^2}{M \gamma} = \frac{n e^2 \tau}{M}$$

Drude DC conductivity



Drude AC Conductivity

## Overdamped limit of Brownian Motion

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The diffusive behaviour obtained at large times from the Langevin equation in absence of external drift

$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle \longrightarrow 2Dt \quad (t \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{M\gamma}$$

is usually associated to Brownian motion however the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process which describes the evolution of momenta

$$\dot{p} = -\gamma p + \xi(t)$$

does not give Brownian motion at all times

The overdamped limit of the Langevin eq. does

$$p(t) = e^{-\gamma t} p(0) + \int_0^t dt' \frac{1}{\gamma} \underbrace{e^{-\gamma(t-t')}}_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty \delta(t-t')} \xi(t') \simeq \xi(t)/\gamma$$

$$\dot{X} = \frac{1}{M\gamma} \xi(t) = \frac{1}{M\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{2M\gamma}{\beta}} \eta(t)$$

$$\langle \eta(t) \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

the solution is the Wiener process

$$X(t) = X(0) + \sqrt{\epsilon} \int_0^t dt' \eta(t')$$

$$\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{M\gamma}}$$

therefore

$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle = \epsilon \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' \langle \eta(t') \eta(t'') \rangle = \epsilon t = \overbrace{\frac{2k_B T}{M\gamma} t}^{\text{diffusive}}$$

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{M\gamma}$$

diffusion constant



# General form of Langevin equation

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deterministic DRIFT term

$$\dot{X} = + \overbrace{F(X(t))}^{\text{deterministic DRIFT term}} + \underbrace{(\sqrt{\epsilon}) \eta(t)}_{\text{stochastic term}}$$

$$\langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

$\epsilon$  is the variance of the noise dimension of  $\eta = \frac{1}{\text{time}}$

— eg. the momentum equation in absence of force —

$$\dot{p} = -\gamma p + \xi(t)$$

drift

noise  $\rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2M\gamma}{\beta}} \eta(t)$

— the position equation in the overdamped limit —

$$\gamma \gg \gamma_{\text{pot}} \quad \gamma t \gg 1$$

~~$$M\ddot{X} = -M\gamma \dot{X} - \frac{\partial \tilde{V}}{\partial X} + \xi$$~~

$$\dot{X} = -\frac{1}{M\gamma} \frac{\partial \tilde{V}}{\partial X} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta M \gamma}} \eta(t)$$

in absence of potential it can be integrated to give

$$X(t) - X(0) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta M \gamma}} \int_0^t dt' \eta(t')$$

$$\langle |X(t) - X(0)|^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{\beta M \gamma} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^t dt'' \underbrace{\langle \eta(t') \eta(t'') \rangle}_{\delta(t'-t'')} = \frac{2}{\beta M \gamma} t$$

the long-time limit of the MSD  $D = \frac{k_B T}{M \gamma}$

# Discretization of Langevin eq. (how to simulate it...)

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$$\dot{X}(t) = F(X) + \sqrt{E} \eta(t)$$

$$\langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle = \delta(t-t')$$

↑  
infinite variance



$$X(t_{k+1}) - X(t_k) = \int_{t_k}^{t_k+\Delta t} dt F(X(t)) + \sqrt{E} \underbrace{\int_{t_k}^{t_k+\Delta t} dt' \eta(t')}_{\Delta W(t_k)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta W(t_k) \Delta W(t_e) \rangle &= \int_{t_k}^{t_k+\Delta t} dt_1 \int_{t_e}^{t_e+\Delta t} dt_2 \langle \eta(t_1) \eta(t_2) \rangle = \\ &= \delta_{ke} \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \Delta W(t_k) \rangle = 0$$

$\Delta W(t_k)$  gaussian number of variance  $\Delta t$

$$X(t_{k+1}) - X(t_k) = F(X(t_k)) \Delta t + \sqrt{E} \sqrt{\Delta t} \underbrace{g_k}_{\text{gaussian of variance 1}} \quad (\text{ITO sense})$$

this is Euler's method

In W. Rüemelin SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 19, 604 (1982)  
has been demonstrated that for a 1-d process  
the step error cannot be smaller than  $O(\Delta t^3)$   
for an n dimensional case the highest precision is  
that of a simple Euler's method

# The Fokker-Planck equation

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given Langevin eq

$$\dot{x} = F(x) + \sqrt{\epsilon} \eta(t)$$

the distribution of  $x$   $P(x)$  satisfies

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \underbrace{-\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(FP)}_{\text{DRIFT}} + \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon}{2} \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2}}_{\text{DIFFUSION}}$$

for a particle in a potential

a)  $P(p, t \rightarrow \infty) \propto e^{-\beta \frac{p^2}{2M}}$

b)  $P(x, t \rightarrow \infty) \propto e^{-\beta \tilde{V}(x)}$

Bath Temp.  
 $\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$

To prove let's start with the fundamental probability formula

$$P(x) = \int dy \underbrace{P_c(x|y)}_{\substack{\text{CONDITIONAL} \\ \text{probability of} \\ x \text{ GIVEN } y}} \underbrace{P(y)}_{\text{prob of } y}$$

↑  
prob of  $x$

let  $x = x(t + \Delta t)$   
 $y = x(t)$

What is the conditional probability of  $X(t+\Delta t)$  given  $X(t)$ ?

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We can write

$$P_c(\overset{x}{X(t+\Delta t)}|\overset{y}{X(t)}) = \left\langle \underbrace{\delta(X(t+\Delta t) - X(t) - F(X(t))\Delta t - \sqrt{\epsilon}\Delta W(t))}_{\text{Constraint}} \right\rangle$$

Euler's scheme

$$X(t+\Delta t) - X(t) = F(X(t))\Delta t + \sqrt{\epsilon}\Delta W(t)$$

$\langle (\text{III}) \rangle$  = average over the random variables  $\Delta W$  which are gaussian zero mean and variance  $\Delta t$

$$\begin{aligned} P_c(x|y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\Delta W}{\sqrt{2\pi\Delta t}} e^{-\frac{(\Delta W)^2}{2\Delta t}} \delta(x - y - F(y)\Delta t - \sqrt{\epsilon}\Delta W) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\epsilon\Delta t}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\epsilon\Delta t} [x - y - F(y)\Delta t]^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$z = \frac{x - y}{\sqrt{\epsilon\Delta t}} \quad y = x - \sqrt{\epsilon\Delta t} z$$

$$P(x, t+\Delta t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ z - \frac{F(x - \sqrt{\epsilon\Delta t} z)}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \sqrt{\Delta t} \right]^2} P(x - \sqrt{\epsilon\Delta t} z)$$

Carefully develop the exponential and the  $P$  in  $\Delta t$  to get a differential equation for  $P$

$$P(x, t + \Delta t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} \left[ P(x, t) + U(z) \sqrt{\Delta t} + W(z) \Delta t \right]$$

$$U(z) = -z \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \sqrt{\epsilon} + z \frac{F(x)}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} P$$

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$$W(z) = -z^2 F \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \left( \frac{z^2}{2\epsilon} F^2 - \frac{F^2}{2\epsilon} - z^2 \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \right) P + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} z^2$$

- the term in  $U$  is linear in  $z$  and vanishes once integrated

- the term in  $W$  contains only  $z^2$  terms that gives 1 after average

$$P(x, t + \Delta t) = P(x, t) + \Delta t \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} W(z) =$$

$$= P(x, t) +$$

$$+ \Delta t \left[ -F \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \left( \frac{F^2}{2\epsilon} - \frac{F^2}{2\epsilon} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} \right) P + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} \right]$$

$\uparrow$   
 $-\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(FP)$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(FP) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2}$$

Fokker-Planck  
equation for additive  
state independent  
noise  $\longrightarrow$  Gardiner



## Equilibrium distribution of the velocity from F-P equation position

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overdamped equation for the position  
(Meets diffusion at long times)

$$\dot{x} = -\frac{1}{M\gamma} \frac{\partial \tilde{V}}{\partial x} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta M \gamma}} \eta(t)$$

$$\langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle = \delta(t-t') \quad \varepsilon = \frac{2}{\beta M \gamma}$$

## Stationary solution of F-P Eq

~~$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (FP) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2}$$~~

$$F = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (FP) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} P \right) = V'' P + V' P'$$

$$V'' P + V' P' + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} P'' = 0$$

$$P(x) = f(V(x))$$

$$P' = f' \frac{\partial f}{\partial V} V'$$

$$P'' = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial V^2} (V')^2 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial V} V''$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial V^2} (V')^2 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial V} V'' \right) + (V')^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial V} + V'' f = 0$$

$$\bullet \frac{\epsilon}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial v^2} = - \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}$$

$$\square \frac{\epsilon}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = - f \quad \text{not independent}$$

$$f(v) = e^{-\frac{\frac{2}{\epsilon} v}{N}}$$

Stationary solution  
of FP Equation

normalisation constant

$$V = \frac{\tilde{V}}{M\gamma} \quad \epsilon = \frac{2}{\beta M\gamma}$$

$$\frac{2}{\epsilon} V = \beta M\gamma \frac{\tilde{V}}{M\gamma} \quad P(x, t \rightarrow \infty) \propto e^{-\beta \tilde{V}(x)}$$

Stationary distribution of the velocities

$$\dot{p} = -\gamma p + \sqrt{\frac{2M}{\beta}} \gamma \eta(t)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{2M}{\beta} \gamma$$

$$F(p) = -\gamma p$$

$$V(p) = \frac{\gamma p^2}{2}$$

$$P(p) \propto e^{-\frac{\frac{2\beta}{2M\gamma} \gamma}{2} p^2} = e^{-\beta \frac{p^2}{2M}}$$

Maxwell's distribution