

Biologically motivated 3rd universal dynamical framework in sciences and technologies:

Issues on Evolution Mechanics

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生命科学启发的第三个普适动力学框架： 演化力学的几个科学和数学问题

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(生命现象的量化；生命现象的机理；生命现象的运用)

- I 量化达尔文演化动力学 Quantification of Darwin's evolutionary process
- II 新数学结构 **Needed mathematical structure**
- III 对物理和其它科学领域的意义 Implications for physics and other scientific and technological fields

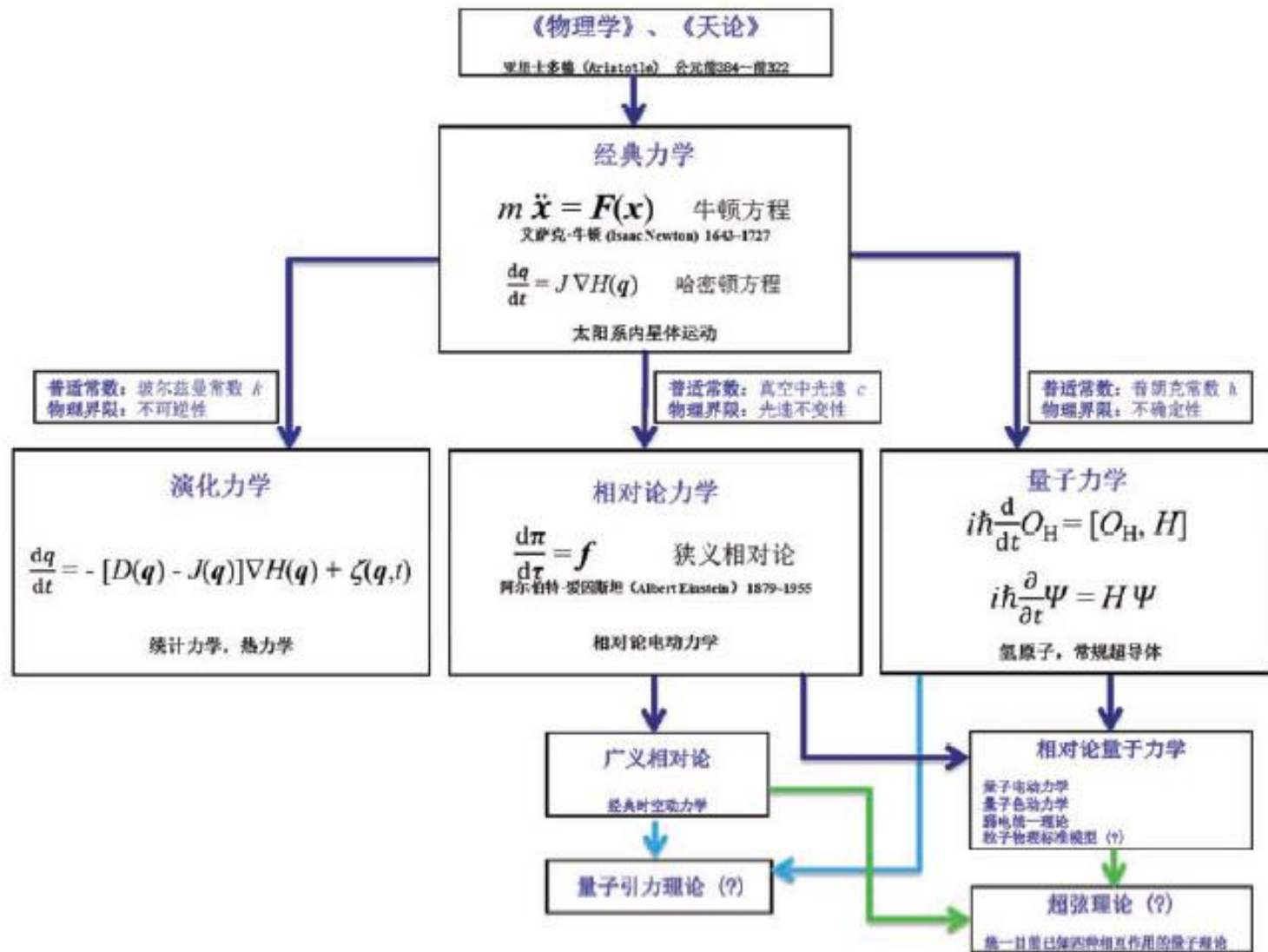


图1 (网络版彩色) 运动方程理论的演化: 时间的特殊地位



Charles Robert Darwin, 1809-1882

Modern word equation:

Evolution by Variation and Selection

Classical statement: principle of natural selection



Ludwig Eduard Boltzmann, 1844-1906

Modern expression:

$$\rho \propto \exp(-H/kT)$$

Classical formula: $S = k \ln(W)$

Evolution by Variation and Selection

演化由确定性的选择与随机性的变异共同地产生

(文字表述: 论文- 达尔文、华莱斯, 1858; 书- 《物种起源》, 达尔文, 1859)

- “... it requires interpretation to bring out the originality and force of the argument, more so than if Darwin were a Newton or an Einstein abstracting far beyond everyman's power to follow and to *understand*. *A hero of science should be less accessible.*”

C.C. Gillispie, The edge of objectivity, 1990

Consistent theoretical formulation was established in 2005:

- Laws of Darwinian evolutionary theory. P. Ao. Physics of Life Reviews 2 (2005) 117-156
演化由确定性的选择与随机性的变异共同地产生 $\Rightarrow dx/dt = f(x) + \zeta(x,t)$
- Emerging of Stochastic Dynamical Equalities and Steady State Thermodynamics from Darwinian Dynamics, P. Ao, Communications in Theoretical Physics 49 (2008) 1073-1090
- Darwinian dynamics implies developmental ascendancy. P. Ao, Biological Theory 2 (2007) 113-115
- Equivalent formulations of "the equation of life". P. Ao. Chinese Physics B23 (2014) 070513

Selection makes complete disorder impossible; and variation makes complete order impossible.

选择让完全无序不能实现 ; 变异让完全有序也不能实现。

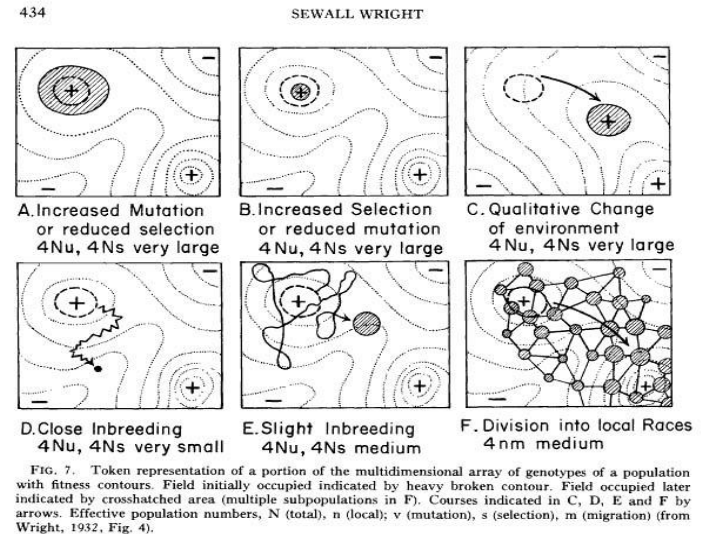
RA Fisher and S Wright

3 main characteristics of evolutionary processes:
stochasticity; adaptation; optimization

- **RA Fisher:** Fundamental theorem of natural selection (FTNS), 1930
'The rate of increase in fitness of any organism at any time is **equal** to its genetic variance in fitness at that time.'
~ fluctuation-dissipation theorem (FDT) in physics, 1950's

- **S Wright:** adaptive landscape, 1932

~ energy function in physics

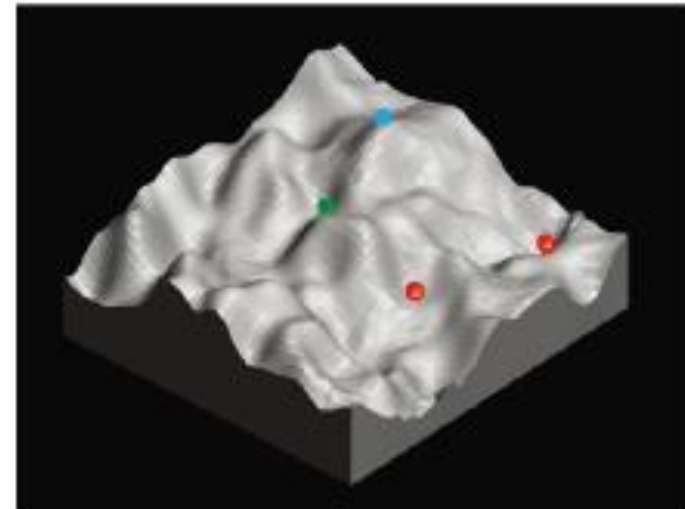


- “The principle of natural selection” is outdated.

Energy Function or Lyapunov Function

- Given a dynamical process described by an n-dimensional ordinary differential equation (ODE):

$$dx/dt = f(x)$$



- Does a Lyapunov function $H(x)$ always exist?

$$dH(x(t))/dt \leq 0$$

- If yes, can we find a construction of $H(x)$?

Difficult but Important Question, I encountered in many fields

- **Biology:**

“... the idea that there is such a quantity (adaptive landscape—P.A.) remains one of the most widely held popular misconceptions about evolution”.

S.H. Rice, in *Evolutionary Theory: mathematical and conceptual foundations* (2004)

- **Chemistry:**

“The search for a generalized thermodynamic potential in the nonlinear range has attracted a great deal of attention, but these efforts finally failed.”

G. Nicolis in *New Physics*, pp332 (1989)

- **Physics:**

“Statistical physicists have tried to find such a variational formulation for many years because, if it existed in a useful form, it might be a powerful tool for the solution of many kinds of problems. My guess ... is that no such general principle exists.”

J. Langer in *Critical Problems in Physics*, pp26 (1997)

and, check recent issues of *Physics Today*, *Physical Review Letters*, ...

- **Mathematics:**

gradient vs vector systems, unsolved (Holmes, 2006; Strogatz, 1st ed., 2nd ed. 2015)

dissipative, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{f} \neq 0$; **asymmetric**, $\nabla \times \mathbf{f} \neq 0$ (absence of detailed balance); **nonlinear** \mathbf{f} ; stochastic, **multiplicative noise**

- **Economy (econophysics), finance, engineering, ...**

Experts have been generally negative on its existence.

for example, Steve Smale, ~1970's; Strogatz, 2015

Udo Seifert, *Reports on Progress in Physics* (2012)

“... 甚至在很多动力学系统中并不存在这样的势函数”

《从动力学到统计物理学》，2016，63页

“达尔文进化论是赝科学”

未来论坛 理解未来系列讲座第18期 —北京教授 2016年7月

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Difficult but Important Question, II

a few recent confusions

- **Viscoelastic and Elastomeric Active Matter: Linear Instability and Nonlinear Dynamics**

E. J. Hemingway, M. E. Cates, and S. M. Fielding, Phys. Rev. E93 (2016) 032702

<https://journals.aps.org/pre/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevE.93.032702>

- **Machine learning the thermodynamic arrow of time**

Alireza Seif, Mohammad Hafezi & Christopher Jarzynski. Nature Physics 17 (2021) 105–113

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41567-020-1018-2>


- **Non-reciprocal phase transitions**

Michel Fruchart, Ryo Hanai, Peter B. Littlewood & Vincenzo Vitelli. Nature 592 (2021) 363

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-021-03375-9.pdf>

奇异点——描述非平衡系统相变的数学语言

<https://zhuanlan.zhihu.com/p/435419801>

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[Nature : 复杂宏观系统中的非互易相变 \(qq.com\)](#)

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- **Symmetry, Thermodynamics, and Topology in Active Matter**

Mark J. Bowick, Nikta Fakhri, M. Cristina Marchetti, and Sriram Ramaswamy. Phys. Rev. X12 (2022) 010501

<https://journals.aps.org/prx/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevX.12.010501> .

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Construction: math perspective, m1

General dynamical system (ODE form) in n-dimension:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x) \quad \text{For simplicity, } f \text{ will be assumed to be smooth enough.}$$

“Theorem”:

There exists a decomposition such that

$$f(x) = - [D(x) + Q(x)] \nabla H(x) \quad ,$$

with $H(x)$ single-valued scalar function

$D(x)$ symmetric and non-negative matrix $D = D^T$

$Q(x)$ anti-symmetric matrix $Q = -Q^T$

Two limiting situations are well known:

1) $D(x) = 0$: (generalized) **Hamilton equation**: “energy $H(x)$ ” conserved

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = - Q(x) \nabla H(x)$$

2) $Q(x) = 0$: (generalized) **gradient system**: purely dissipative dynamics

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = - D(x) \nabla H(x)$$

Construction: math perspective, m2

Plausibility 1: Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) &= - [D(\mathbf{x}) + Q(\mathbf{x})] \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \quad \Rightarrow \\ \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) &= - \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \cdot [D(\mathbf{x}) + Q(\mathbf{x})] \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= - \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \cdot D(\mathbf{x}) \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, set $D(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, we have

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) + \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla H(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad \text{Hamilton-Jacobi equation}$$

with H and \mathbf{f} known, Q can be found but generally not unique

Plausibility 2: 1st order quasi-linear partial differential equation (PDE)

Again, with the simplicity assumption of $D(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, $[1 + Q(\mathbf{x})]^{-1}$ exists.

Hence, we have

$$[1 + Q(\mathbf{x})]^{-1} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = - \nabla H(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla H = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\nabla \times ([1 + Q(\mathbf{x})]^{-1} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})) = 0, \quad \text{anti-symmetric, } n(n-1)/2 \text{ equations}$$

first order quasi-linear PDE

Q can be uniquely obtained, hence H upon to a constant.

H(x): Lyapunov Function

$$\begin{aligned} dx/dt &= f(x) \\ &= - [D(x) + Q(x)] \nabla H(x) \quad , \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} dH(x(t))/dt &= \nabla H(x) \cdot dx/dt \\ &= - \nabla H(x) [D(x) + Q(x)] \nabla H(x) \\ &= - \nabla H(x) D(x) \nabla H(x) \\ &\leq 0 \quad , \end{aligned}$$

i.e., H(x) is a Lyapunov function.

- Remark 1: The Lyapunov function is generally unique when D known.
- Remark 2: The fixed points of $f(x)$ are all preserved in $\nabla H(x)$.

$D(x) = 0$: (generalized) Hamilton equation: “energy H(x)” conserved
 $dx/dt = - Q(x) \nabla H(x)$

Vortex Dynamics

大卫·邵乐思的治学和建树：纯粹探索凌绝顶 (上海科普网 <https://www2.shkp.org.cn/content.html?type=if&id=190785>)

$$m_v \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}(t)}{dt^2} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{r}(t)) + q_v \mathbf{B} \times \frac{d\mathbf{r}(t)}{dt} - \int dt' \mathbf{S}(t-t') \frac{d\mathbf{r}(t')}{dt} + \xi(t). \quad (3)$$

其中 \mathbf{r} 是涡旋位置矢量， $q_v = +1$ 或者 -1 （类似于电子电荷）， ∇ 是梯度算符，其他量在下面解释。

量子涡旋作为最简单的一类拓扑缺陷在很多系统中都出现。我们需要一个坚实可靠的理论出发点来描述量子涡旋。不幸的是，有的系统（如超流态氦）的微观理论至今仍未完善。邵乐思建议从多体波函数出发，并提示我只要对称性和很少几个一般性质在多体波函数里，结论很少会错，况且，我们已有两个非常成功的多体波函数：BCS波函数和Laughlin波函数。此外，Feynman用多体波函数处理超流态氦也很成功。从这里开始借助几何相位或贝利相位^[10]我们很容易地计算出量子涡旋动力学最有争议一项——涡旋运动的横向力。我们发现它就是经典的Magnus力，和带电粒子在磁场中的洛伦兹力类似^[11]， $\mathbf{B} = \hbar \rho_s / 2$ ，其中 \hbar 是普朗克常数、 ρ_s 是超导电子密度。我们很快认识到这个想法在超流现象中已有应用^[12]，换了角度得到同样结果，并证明Magnus力在有限温度下也严格成立^[13]。相互作用势能 U 理论上没有歧义，涡旋-反涡旋对的相互作用势能是 $U = \rho_s \hbar^2 / 8\pi m_c \ln(r/r_0)$ ，这里 m_c 是Cooper对有效质量，在外加超流 J_s 的势能是 $U = \hbar J_s \cdot \mathbf{r}$ 。

Construction: physics perspective, p1

Two equivalent forms of stochastic differential equations

- **Standard stochastic differential equation (SDE):**

$$dx/dt = f(x) + \zeta(x,t) \quad (S)$$

Gaussian and white, Wiener noise: $\langle \zeta \rangle = 0$, $\langle \zeta(x,t) \zeta^\tau(x,t') \rangle = 2 \varepsilon D(x) \delta(t-t')$

- **The desired equation (local and trajectory view):**

$$[S(x) + A(x)] dx/dt = -\nabla H(x) + \xi(x,t) \quad (N)$$

Gaussian and white, Wiener noise: $\langle \xi \rangle = 0$, $\langle \xi(x,t) \xi^\tau(x,t') \rangle = 2 \varepsilon S(x) \delta(t-t')$

which has **4** dynamical elements:

dissipative ($S=S^\tau$), transverse ($A=-A^\tau$), driving (H), and stochastic forces (ξ).

- **The desired distribution (global and ensemble view):**

steady state (Boltzmann-Gibbs) distribution $\rho_{ss}(x) \sim \exp(-H(x) / \varepsilon)$.

From (N) to (S) is easy: $S+A$ nonsingular, i.e., n independent dynamics

Construction: physics perspective, p2

From (S) to (N): knowing f and D to find out S , A and H

- Describing same dynamics \Rightarrow
 $[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] [f(\mathbf{x}) + \zeta(\mathbf{x},t)] = -\nabla H(\mathbf{x}) + \xi(\mathbf{x},t)$
- Noise and deterministic “force” have independent origins \Rightarrow
 $[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] f(\mathbf{x}) = -\nabla H(\mathbf{x})$
 $[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] \zeta(\mathbf{x},t) = \xi(\mathbf{x},t)$
- Potential condition: $\nabla \times \nabla H = 0 \Rightarrow$
 $\nabla \times [S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] f(\mathbf{x}) = 0,$ anti-symmetric, $n(n-1)/2$ equations
- Generalized Einstein relation
 $[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] D(\mathbf{x}) [S(\mathbf{x}) - A(\mathbf{x})] = S(\mathbf{x})$ (Einstein, 1905: $S D = 1$)
symmetric, $n(n+1)/2$ equations
 $D(\mathbf{x}) + Q(\mathbf{x}) = 1/[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})]$
- Total n^2 conditions to determine matrix $[S(\mathbf{x},t) + A(\mathbf{x},t)] !$
- Once S and A are obtained, $H = - \int_c [S(\mathbf{x}') + A(\mathbf{x}')] f(\mathbf{x}') \cdot d\mathbf{x}'$
- Hence, S , T , H can be constructed from D and f .

Lyapunov Function with Stochasticity

relative entropy or free energy

- Free energy monotonically decreasing

$$F(t) = \langle H \rangle (t) - \varepsilon S(t)$$

with average energy $\langle H \rangle (t) = \int dx H(x) \rho(x,t)$, temperature ε ,
entropy $S = - \int dx \rho(x,t) \ln(\rho(x,t))$

- Relative entropy monotonically increasing

$$S_r(t) = - \int dx \rho(x,t) \ln(\rho(x,t) / \rho_{ss}(x))$$

with stationary state distribution $\rho_{ss}(x) = \exp(- H(x) / \varepsilon) / Z$

- $F(t) - F(\infty) = - \varepsilon S_r(t)$

Three Typical Types of Dynamical Systems

- **Linear dynamics:** near stable or unstable fixed points
to show that it is possible to construct a global Lyapunov function
Structure of Stochastic Dynamics near Fixed Points,
Kwon, Ao, Thouless. *Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci. (USA)* **102 (2005)** 13029
- **Limit cycles:** Many theorists, such as Prigogine and his school, once or even now, would not believe the existence of Lyapunov function for such dynamics.
simple limit cycle: Limit Cycle and Conserved Dynamics,
Zhu, Yin, Ao. *Int. J. Mod. Phy.* **B20 (2006)** 817
van der Pol like: Exploring a Noisy van der Pol Type Oscillator with a Stochastic Approach,
Yuan, Wang, Ma, Yuan, Ao. *Phys Rev* **E87 (2013)** 062109
- **Chaotic dynamics:** Many mathematicians would not think this is possible.
Lorenz like systems Potential Function in a Continuous Dissipative Chaotic System: ... ,
Ma, Tan, Yuan, Yuan, Ao. *Intl J Bifurc Chaos* **24 (2014)** 1450015

Linear Dynamics

- Linear dynamics, fixed point is either stable or unstable

$$D + Q = 1/[S + A] \quad \text{Kwon, Ao, and Thouless, PNAS (2005)}$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + \zeta(x, t)$$

$$\langle \zeta(x, t) \zeta^\tau(x, t') \rangle = 2D(x) \delta(t - t')$$

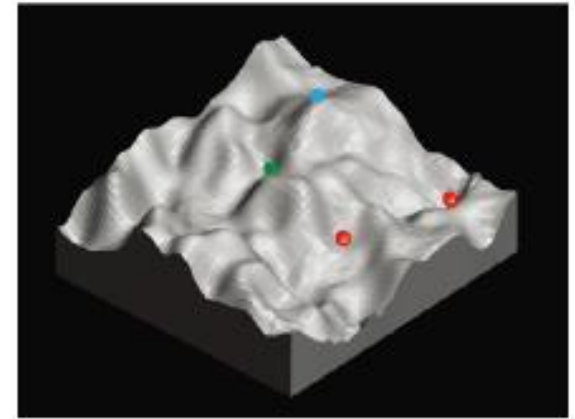
$$f_i(x) = F_{ij} x_j$$

$$(S + A)\dot{x} = -Ux + \xi(t)$$

$$\langle \xi(x, t) \xi^\tau(x, t') \rangle = 2S \delta(t - t')$$

$$F = -(D + Q)U = -(S + A)^{-1}U$$

$$FQ + QF^\tau = FD - DF^\tau$$



Analytically Explicit Solutions

1-d: easy; n-d linear: Kwon, Ao, Thouless, PNAS, 2005

- One dimension, arbitrary function $f(x)$

$$H(\mathbf{x}) = - \int_c^{\mathbf{x}} d\mathbf{x}' f(\mathbf{x}')$$

$$Q(x) = 0$$

- n-dimensions, linear $f(x) = Fx$

$$H(\mathbf{x}) = - \int_c^{\mathbf{x}} d\mathbf{x}' \cdot (1 + Q)^{-1} f(\mathbf{x}')$$

$$FQ + QF^\tau = F - F^\tau$$

Limit Cycles

- Limit cycles, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{f} \neq 0$ (dissipative?); at the limit cycle, $\Phi = \text{constant}$, $S = 0$ (no dissipation)

$$\dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}) + N(\mathbf{q})\xi(t) \quad \langle \xi(t)\xi^\tau(t') \rangle = \delta(t - t')I_k$$

$$N(\mathbf{q})N^\tau(\mathbf{q}) = 2\epsilon D(\mathbf{q})$$

$$[S(\mathbf{q}) + A(\mathbf{q})]\dot{\mathbf{q}} = -\nabla\phi(\mathbf{q}) + \hat{N}(\mathbf{q})\xi(t)$$

$$\hat{N}(\mathbf{q})\hat{N}^\tau(\mathbf{q}) = 2\epsilon S(\mathbf{q})$$

simple limit cycle: Zhu, Yin, Ao, Intl J. Mod. Phys. B (2007)

$$\begin{cases} \dot{q}_1 = -q_2 + q_1(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2) + \xi_1(t) \\ \dot{q}_2 = q_1 + q_2(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2) + \xi_2(t) \end{cases}$$

$$S(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2}{(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2 + 1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

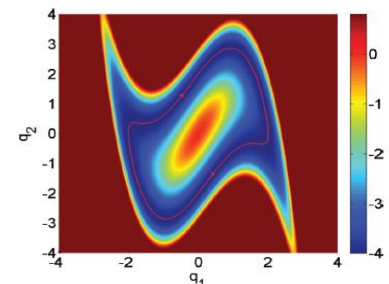
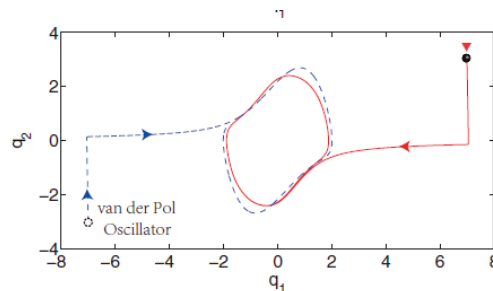
$$A(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2)}{(1 - q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2 + 1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{4}(q_1^2 + q_2^2)(q_1^2 + q_2^2 - 2)$$

van der Pol like: Yuan, Wang, Ma, Yuan, Ao. Phys Rev E (2013)

$$\begin{cases} \dot{q}_1 = q_2 + \zeta_1(\mathbf{q}, t) \\ \dot{q}_2 = -\mu(q_1^2 - 1)q_2 - q_1 + h(q_1) + \zeta_2(\mathbf{q}, t) \end{cases}$$

with $h(q_1) = \mu^2 q_1^3/4 - \mu^2 q_1^5/16$



$$\phi(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{4} \left[q_1^2 + \left(q_2 - \mu q_1 + \frac{\mu}{4} q_1^3 \right)^2 \right] \left[q_1^2 + \left(q_2 - \mu q_1 + \frac{\mu}{4} q_1^3 \right)^2 - 8 \right]$$

Dissipative Chaotic Dynamics

- Chaotic dynamics

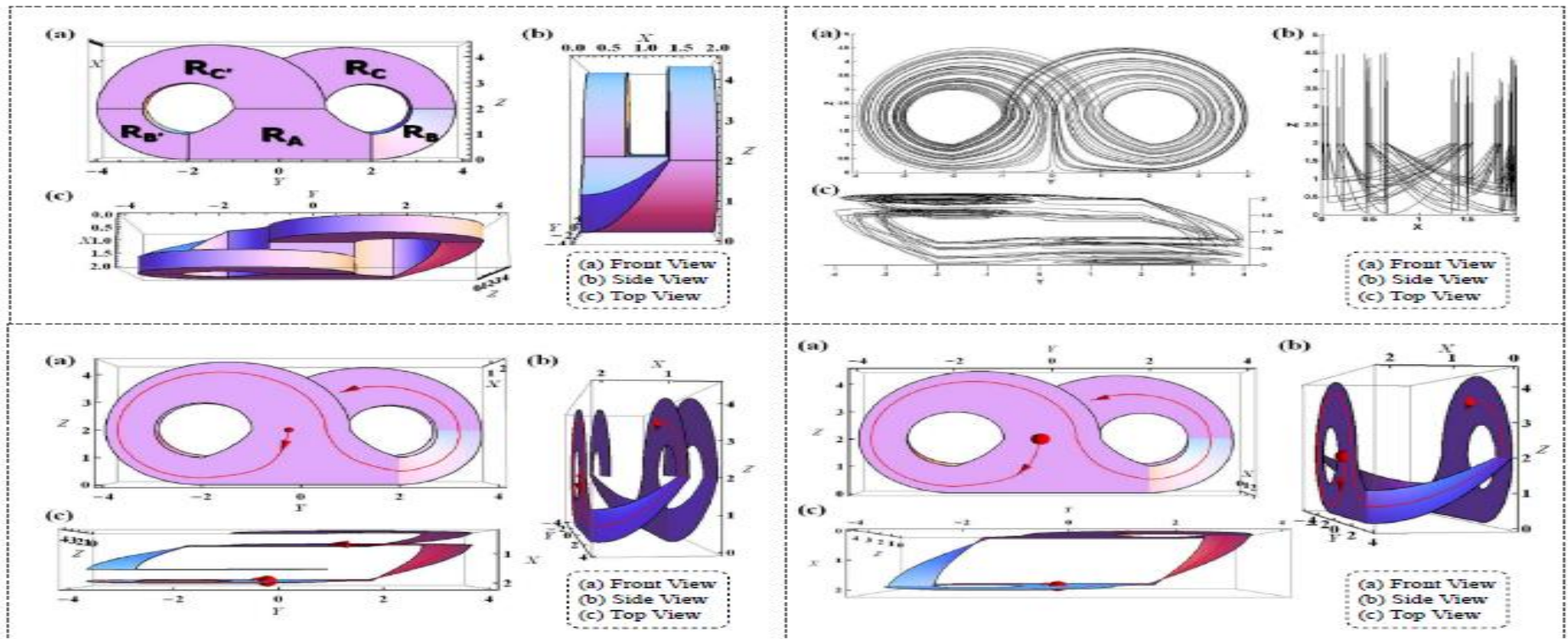
Ma, Tan, Yuan, Yuan, Ao. Int'l J Bifurcation and Chaos (2014)

$$\dot{x} = f(x)$$

$$= -D(x)\nabla\Psi(x) + Q(x)\nabla\Psi(x)$$

$$\dot{x}_i = -\{x_i, \Psi\} + [x_i, \Psi]$$

Bracket dynamics



Ito, Stratonovich, and Present Method on stochastic processes

1- d stochastic process

(Ao, Kwon, Qian, Complexity, 2007)

Stochastic differential equation (**pre-equation according to van Kampen, 1980**):

$$d_t x = f(x) + \zeta(x, t) = -D(x)H(x) + \zeta(x, t), \quad \text{Gaussian-white noise, multiplicative}$$

Ito Process:

- $$\partial_t \rho(x, t) = [\varepsilon \partial_x \partial_x D(x) + \partial_x D(x) H_x(x)] \rho(x, t)$$

$$\rho(x, t = \infty) \sim \exp\{-H(x)/\varepsilon\} / D(x); \quad H(x) = - \int dx' f(x') / D(x')$$

Stratonovich process:

- $$\partial_t \rho(x, t) = [\varepsilon \partial_x D^{1/2}(x) \partial_x D^{1/2}(x) + \partial_x D(x) H_x(x)] \rho(x, t)$$

$$\rho(x, t = \infty) \sim \exp\{-H(x)/\varepsilon\} / D^{1/2}(x)$$

Present process:

- $$\partial_t \rho(x, t) = [\varepsilon \partial_x D(x) \partial_x + \partial_x D(x) H_x(x)] \rho(x, t)$$

$$\rho(x, t = \infty) \sim \exp\{-H(x)/\varepsilon\}$$

Gradient Expansion and Lyapunov Equation

Gradient expansion (Ao, 2004; 2005)

Exact equations: $\nabla \times [G^{-1} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})] = 0$; $G + G^T = 2D$.

$$G \equiv [S + A]^{-1} = D + Q$$

Defining F matrix from the “force” \mathbf{f} in n -d: $F_{ij} = \partial_j f_i$, $i, j = 1, \dots, n$

Treating derivative $\partial_i G$ as a higher order term

Lowest order gradient expansion—linear matrix equation:

- $GF^T - FG^T = 0$

- $G + G^T = 2D$

$$Q = (FD - DF^T) / \text{tr}(F) , \quad 2\text{-d}$$

- $H(\mathbf{x}) = - \int_c d\mathbf{x}' \cdot [G^{-1}(\mathbf{x}') \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}')]$

Where We Are

- **General construction**
Ao, [physics/0302081](#); Ao, J. Phys. A (2004); Yuan and Ao, J Stat Mech (2012)
- **Linear dynamics, stable or unstable**
Kwon, Ao, and Thouless, PNAS (2005)
- **Equivalence to other methods**
Yin and Ao, J. Phys. A (2006); Ao, Kwon, Qian, Complexity (2007); Yuan et al. Chin Phys B (2013)
- **Limit cycles**
Zhu, Yin, Ao, Intl J. Mod. Phys. B (2007); Yuan et al, Phys Rev E (2013)
- **Chaotic dynamics**
Ma, Tan, Yuan, Yuan, Ao, Int'l J Bifurcation and Chaos (2014)
- **Partial differential equations**
Chen, Shi, Kosterlitz, Zhu, Ao. Proc. Nat'l Acad Sci (USA) (2022)
- **Applications in biology:**
 - Phage lambda gene switch:
Zhu et al, Funct Integr Geno (2004); Lei et al, Sci Rep (2015)
 - Cancer genesis and progression:
Ao et al Med Hyp (2008); Yuan, Zhu, Wang, Li, Ao. Rep Prog Phys (2017)
- **Gradient expansion:** linear problem at each order
Ao, J. Phys. A (2004)
- **Markov Processes:** same three parts--energy function, diffusion, no-detailed balance
Ao, Chen, Shi. Chin Phys Lett (2013)
- **Dynamical structure decomposition and A-type stochastic interpretation in nonequilibrium processes:**
Yuan, Tang, Ao. Frontiers of Physics. 12: 120201 (2017)

New Predictions

- Generalized Einstein relation (Ao, J Phys A, 2004)

$$[S(x) + A(x)] D(x) [S(x) - A(x)] = S(x)$$

$S D = 1$ (Einstein, 1905) $A = 0$, detailed balance

No: Luposchinsky and Hinrichsen, J Stat Phys, 2013

- Beyond Ito vs Stratonovich (Ao, Kwon, Qian, 2007; Yuan, Ao, 2012)

No: Udo Seifert, Rep Prog Phys 2012

- “Free energy” equality (Ao, Comm Theor Phys 2008; Tang et al, 2015)

$$\langle \exp[- \int_c dx \cdot \nabla_x H(x, q)] \rangle = \exp[- (F(\text{end}) - F(\text{initial}))]$$

Jarzynski, 1997, when Hamiltonian is known *a priori*

Ao, 2008, when Hamiltonian is unknown, *but emerging as shown*

How Would Nature Decide?

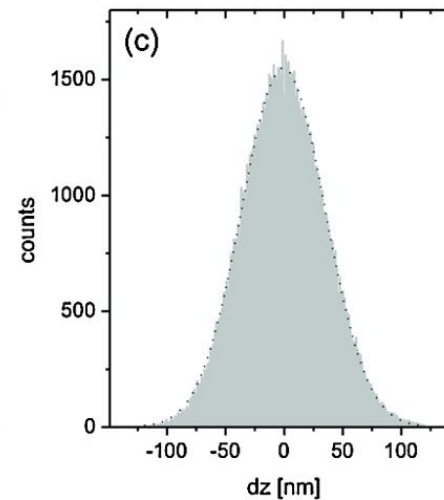
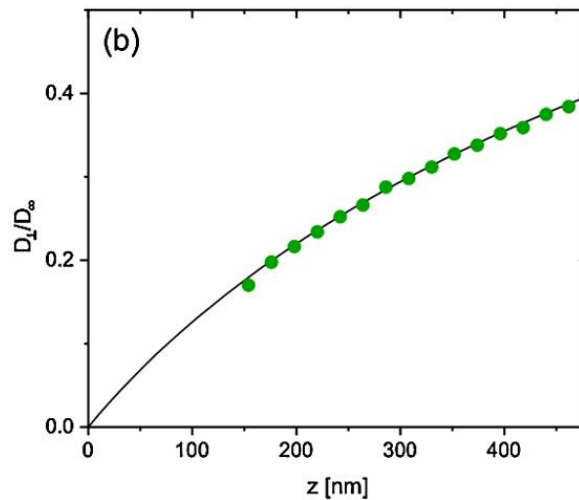
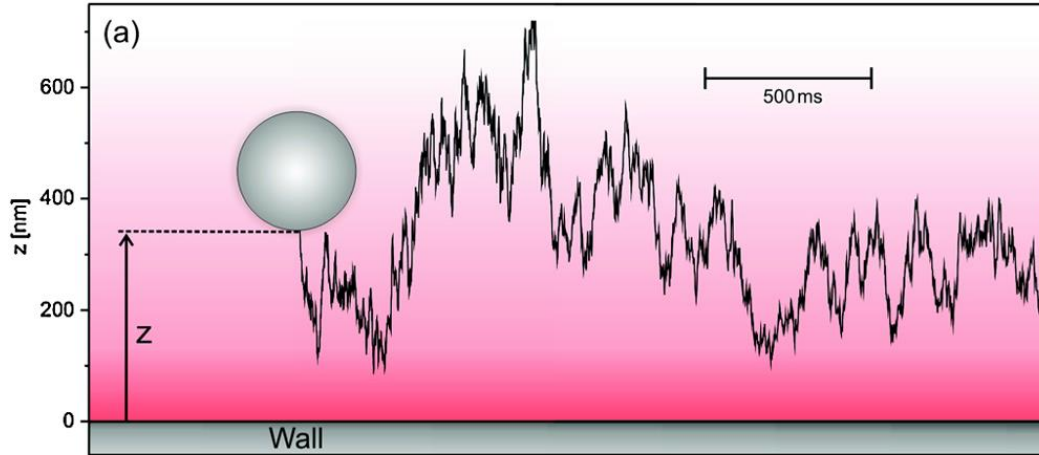
“ I assign more value to discovering a fact, even about the minute thing, than to lengthy disputations on the Grand Questions that fail to lead to true understanding whatever. ”

Galileo Galilei (1564-1642)

First new experimental evidence:

Influence of Noise on Force Measurements.

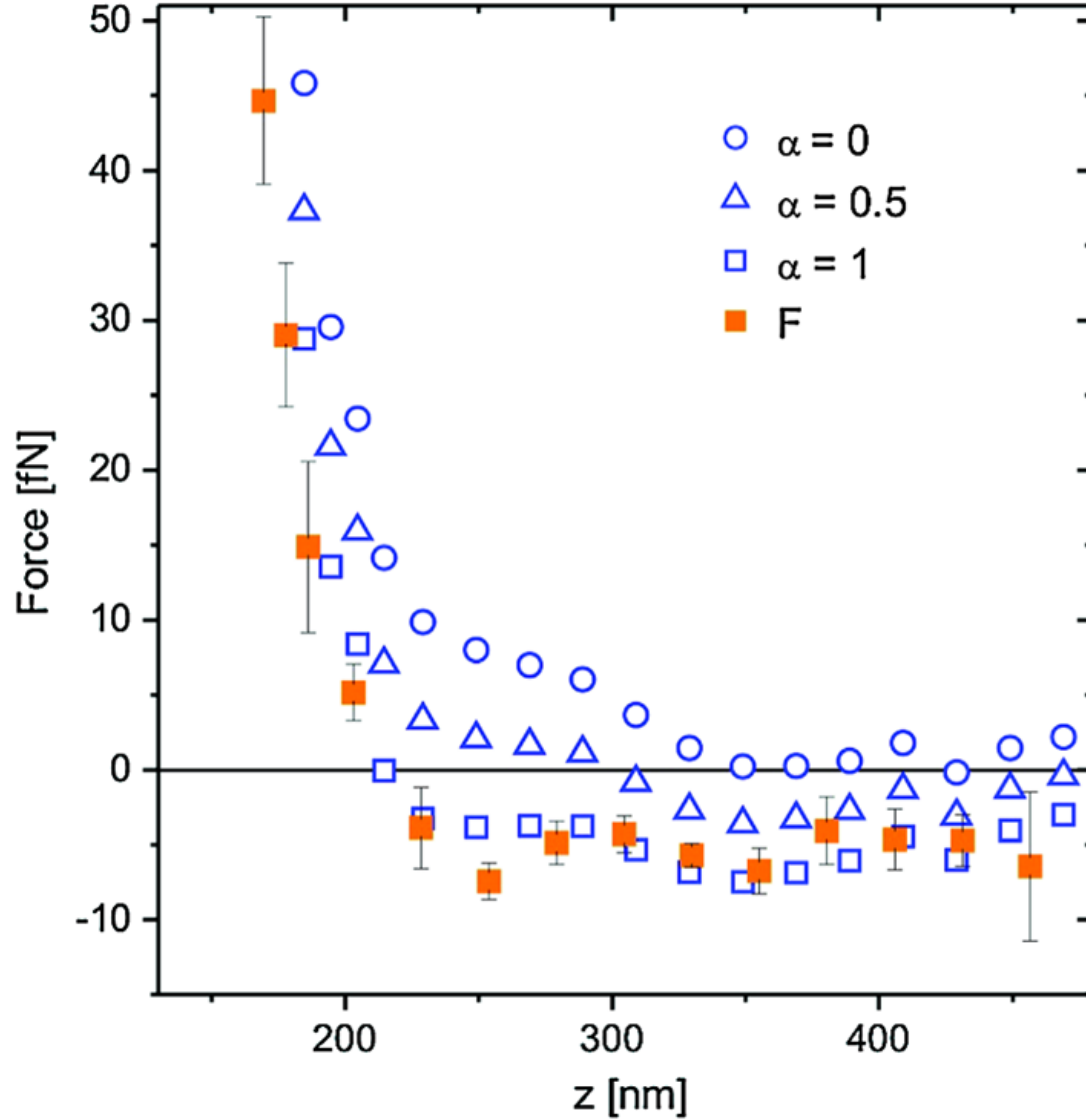
Giovanni Volpe, Laurent Helden, Thomas Brettschneider, Jan Wehr, and Clemens Bechinger. *Phy Rev Lett* **104** (2010) 170602



(a) A Brownian particle (drawn not to scale) diffuses near a wall in the presence of gravitational and electrostatic forces.

(b) Comparison of measured (bullets) and calculated (line) vertical diffusion coefficient as a function of the particle-wall distance.

(c) Experimentally determined probability distribution of the local drift dz for $dt = 5$ ms at $z = 380$ nm (grey). The dashed line is a Gaussian in excellent agreement with the experimental data.



Forces obtained from a drift-velocity experiment with added noise-induced drift
 [$\alpha = 1$ (open squares) (**A-type**), $\alpha = 0.5$ (open triangles) (**S-type**), and $\alpha = 0$ (open dots) (**I-type**)].
 The **solid squares** represent the forces obtained from an equilibrium measurement.

Fundamental Theorem of (Stochastic) Dynamics

$$[S(x) + A(x)] dx/dt = - \nabla H(x) + \xi(x,t) \quad (N)$$

Three independent dynamical elements, the representation:

- S**: Semi-positive definite symmetric matrix: dissipation; degradation
- A**: Anti-symmetric matrix, transverse: oscillation, conservative
- H**: Potential function or Lyapunov function: capacity, cost function, landscape
- ξ** : Stochastic force: noise, related to *S* by “FDT”.

Steady state distribution is determined by $H(X)$, when independent of time, according to Boltzmann-Gibbs distribution, $\rho \sim \exp(-H / \epsilon)$!

Direct and quantitative measure for robustness and stability

Global view of bionetwork dynamics: adaptive landscape. Ao. J Genetics and Genomics 36 (2009) 63

Unifying dynamical framework for nonequilibrium processes

Unity of Biology and Physics

Evolutionary processes expressed by Stochastic Differential Equation

Fundamental dynamical equation in biology -- Evolution by Variation and Selection (Darwin and Wallace, 1858):

$$d\mathbf{x}/dt = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \zeta(\mathbf{x},t) \quad (\text{S})$$

Gaussian and white, Wiener noise: $\langle \zeta \rangle = \mathbf{0}$, $\langle \zeta(\mathbf{x},t) \zeta^\tau(\mathbf{x},t') \rangle = 2 \varepsilon D(\mathbf{x}) \delta(t-t')$

Dynamical structure decomposition connects biology and physics (Ao, 2005):

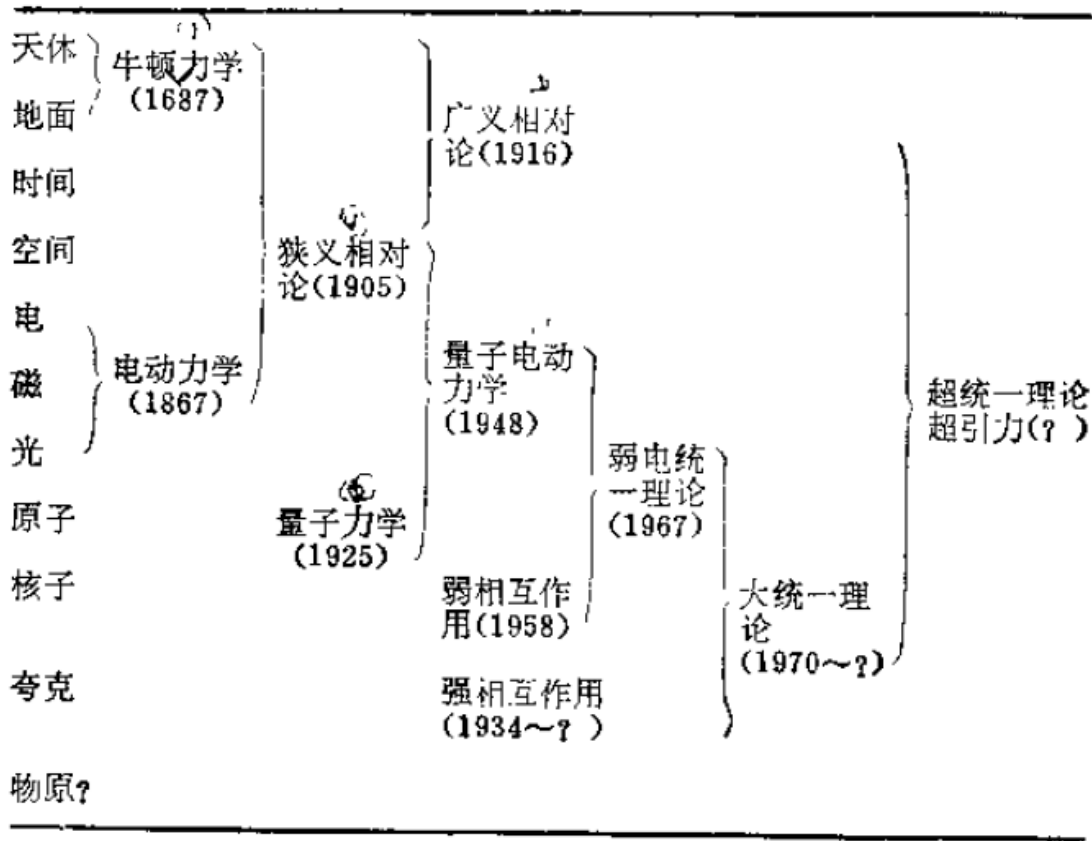
$$[S(\mathbf{x}) + A(\mathbf{x})] d\mathbf{x}/dt = -\nabla H(\mathbf{x}) + \xi(\mathbf{x},t) \quad (\text{N})$$

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现代技术的科学理论基础

- 20世纪，**两大**理论基础：相对论、量子力学

表1 物理学发展中的统一*



《力学概论》，中国科学技术大学/北京大学，1988
 当时尚无演化力学，作者们未提及热力学、统计力学—奇怪的是这两领域直到现在也总是有意或无意地被大家忽视

* 括号中的数字表示相应的理论建立的年代，有问号的表示尚未完成。

- 21世纪，**三大**理论基础：相对论、量子力学、演化力学

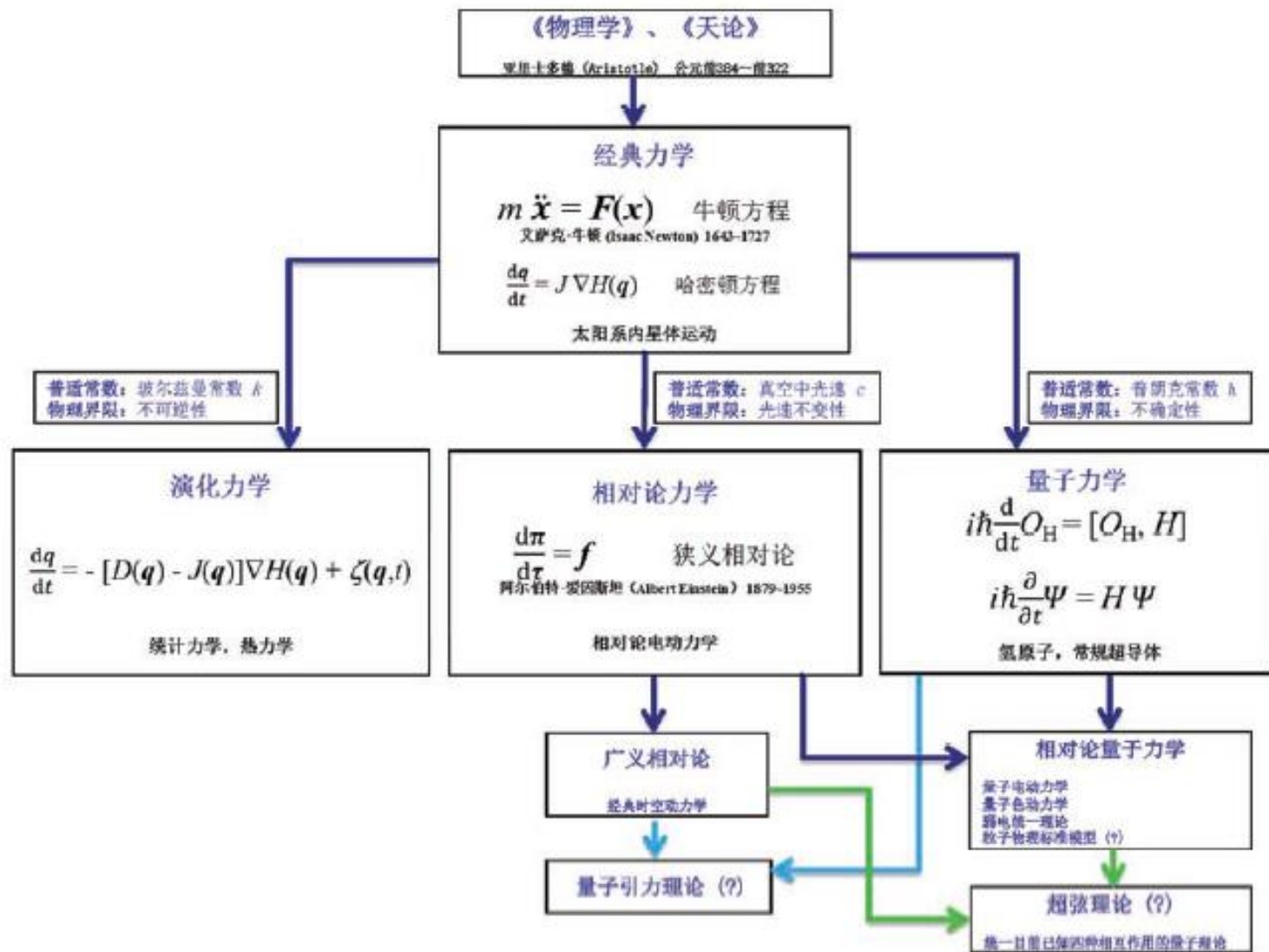


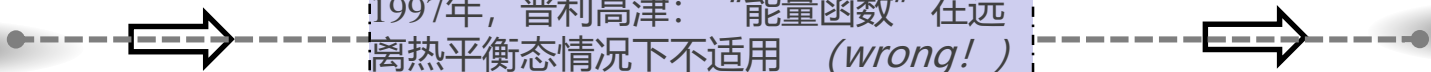
图1 (网络版彩色) 运动方程理论的演化: 时间的特殊地位

在所有层次上，宇宙、地质、人类社会、生物、分子、原子、...，
 都有演化过程。 **存在统一的演化方程**

1939年 福勒提出**热平衡定律** – 热力学第零定律
 迈耶、焦耳、亥姆霍兹提出热力学第一定律：**能量守恒**
 19世纪中期 克劳修斯、开尔文提出热力学第二定律：**熵原理**
 1912年 能斯特：**绝对零度不可达到** – 热力学第三定律
 1931年 昂萨格提出倒易关系，于1968年获得诺贝尔化学奖
 1945年 普利高津提出最小熵产生原理
 1969年 普利高津提出热力学中的耗散结构定理，为认识自然界中（特别是生命体系中）发生的各种自组织现象开辟了一条新路，奠定了远离平衡的非平衡热力学的初步理论，于1977年获诺贝尔化学奖，非平衡可能是秩序的根源

1858年 1859年 达尔文、华莱斯提出生物演化基本理论
 达尔文出版《物种起源》
 1930年 RA Fisher 提出自然选择基本定理(FTNS)，(不正确地)认为等同于热力学第二定律
 1932年 S Wright 提出演化的适应性景观(fitness landscape)
 1940年 沃丁顿提出基因调控的表观遗传学 (epigenetic landscape)
 ↓
 2004年 敖平提出动力过程的能量函数构造一般方法，证明在非平衡状态下，**稳态分布函数是玻尔兹曼-吉布斯分布**
 2005年 该变换由 Kwon、Ao (敖平)、Thouless 在线性情况下给出了解析构造
 2005年 敖平成功把演化过程表达为一组的简洁数学方程，证明FTNS是**涨落-耗散关系**

1997年，普利高津：“能量函数”在远离热平衡态情况下不适用 (*wrong!*)



演化力学的信息论应用-人工智能

- 智能是生物演化过程中出现的一种性能。（演化 I）
- 智能作为一种现象，就表现在个体与自然、社会群体的相互作用和行为过程中。这些主体-客体的行为和现象必然有统一的力、相互作用、基本元素来描述：有规律可循 - 本构性机理存在--科学/物理学的基本要素。
- 机器在演化过程中出现智能是逻辑的必然，有两个演化阶段：
 - 人类干预和参与下的演化（演化 II）；
 - 机器自主的演化（演化 III）
- 演化力学贯穿于所有演化过程中。
- 国际、国内人工智能的研究极少关注这类重要的基础科学问题。大学里通常也不教这个事情，大家忙着学一些技能。会解决一些小问题，日子就能过得红火滋润。部分知名学者认为智能现象那么复杂，根本不可能有统一的理论，只能是“a bag of tricks”（一麻袋的花招）。开发一些“兵来将挡、水来土掩”的实用法则就行了。
- 我们是着重于技术热点上的跟踪追赶，还是要有基础理论上的深入研究突破创新？
- 机器智能与生物智能遵从相同的演化力学，也会有相同的本构性机理吗？会有类似的实现方式吗？
 - 游泳： 鲤鱼、鲸鱼、企鹅、潜水艇； 飞行： 蜻蜓、麻雀、蝙蝠、波音787
- On the Stochastic Gradient Descent and Inverse Variance-flatness Relation in Artificial Neural Networks
Xiong, Chen, Shi, Ao Chinese Physics Letters (2023) <https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.04932>

演化由确定性的选择与随机性的变异共同地产生

诗词的特征之一是不确定，而不确定性也是生命演化的基本特质之一，演化力学不缺乏诗词的意境

咏梅诗词--不同的诗人用同一格式对同一现象作出完全不同的理解和表达

•被动、自怜：

驿外断桥边，寂寞开无主。已是黄昏独自愁，更著风和雨。
无意苦争春，一任群芳妒。零落成泥碾作尘，只有香如故。

•乐观、开放：

风雨送春归，飞雪迎春到，已是悬崖百丈冰，犹有花枝俏。
俏也不争春，只把春来报。待到山花烂漫时，她在丛中笑。

演化力学也不缺乏哲学的品质：偶然与必然的关系

Thank you very much for your attention!

谢谢倾听，期待讨论

应用演化力学研究院（拟建）

追求卓越： 树一流的目标；创活跃的气氛；育健全的人才