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Breakdown of the hydrodynamic limit for extreme current fluctuations

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Introduction Current fluctuations in the hydrodynamic limit Boundary-driven systems



Hydrodynamic limit





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 $L \to \infty$, local equilibrium Diffusive scaling $i \to Lx, \quad t \to L^2 t$

Boundary condition: $\rho(0) = \bar{\rho}_A$

 $0 \le x \le 1$ (continuum)

Boundary condition: $\rho(1) = \bar{\rho}_B$

Fluctuating hydrodynamics

$$\partial_t \rho = -\partial_x \begin{bmatrix} -\underline{D(\rho)}\partial_x \rho + \sqrt{\sigma(\rho)}\eta \end{bmatrix}$$

Diffusivity Mobility

$$\langle \eta(x,t)\eta(x',t')\rangle = \underline{L^{-1}}\delta(x-x')\delta(t-t')$$
 Weak noise

(microscopic origin)

Calculation of current LDFs



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Microscopic approaches (take the limit later) Derrida, Douçot, Roche, J. Stat. Phys. **115**, 717 (2004) Bodineau & Derrida, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 180601 (2004)

Macroscopic fluctuation theory (take the limit first) Bertini et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **94**, 030601 (2005) Bertini et al., J. Stat. Phys. **123**, 237 (2006)

Simplification by saddle-point approximation







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2. Introduce the conjugate field $\hat{\rho}$.

$$\left\langle e^{\lambda Q_B} \right\rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\rho \left\langle \delta(\partial_t \rho + \partial_x j) e^{L \int_0^{T/L^2} \mathrm{d}t \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \,\lambda j} \right\rangle_j$$
$$= \int \mathcal{D}\hat{\rho} \, e^{-L \int_0^{T/L^2} \mathrm{d}t \, \hat{\rho}(\partial_t \rho + \partial_x j)}$$

Martin, Siggia, Rose, Phys. Rev. A 8, 423 (1973)



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3. Average over the fluctuating current.

$$\left\langle e^{\lambda Q_B} \right\rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\rho \mathcal{D}\hat{\rho} \left\langle e^{-L \int_0^{T/L^2} \mathrm{d}t \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \left(\hat{\rho} \partial_t \rho - j \partial_x \hat{\rho}\right)} \right\rangle_{j}$$



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4. Apply the saddle-point approximation.

$$e^{T\mu(\lambda)} = \int \mathcal{D}\rho \mathcal{D}\hat{\rho} \, e^{-\frac{L}{L} \int_{0}^{T/L^{2}} \mathrm{d}t \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \left[\hat{\rho}\partial_{t}\rho - H(\rho,\hat{\rho})\right]}_{L \gg 1} H(\rho,\hat{\rho}) = -D(\rho)(\partial_{x}\rho)(\partial_{x}\hat{\rho}) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma(\rho)(\partial_{x}\hat{\rho})^{2}$$



Fluctuating hydrodynamics

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5. Derive Hamilton's equations. Position Momentum

$$T\mu(\lambda) = -L \min_{\rho, \hat{\rho}} \int_{0}^{T/L^{2}} \mathrm{d}t \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \left[\hat{\rho} \partial_{t} \rho - \underline{H(\rho, \hat{\rho})} \right]$$
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$$\partial_{t} \rho = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{\rho}} = -\partial_{x} \left[-D(\rho) \partial_{x} \rho + \sigma(\rho) \partial_{x} \hat{\rho} \right] \qquad \partial_{t} \hat{\rho} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \rho}$$
$$\partial_{x} \hat{\rho} = \text{noise realization}$$



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6. Assume that the minimizing solution is stationary.

$$T\mu(\lambda) = -L \min_{\rho, \hat{\rho}} \int_{0}^{T/L^{2}} dt \int_{0}^{1} dx \left[\hat{\rho} \partial_{t} \rho - H(\rho, \hat{\rho}) \right]$$
$$\partial_{t} \rho = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{\rho}} = 0, \ \partial_{t} \hat{\rho} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \rho} = 0 \qquad \qquad \rho(x, t) = \rho_{\lambda}^{*}(x), \ \hat{\rho}(x, t) = \hat{\rho}_{\lambda}^{*}(x)$$
Bodineau & Derrida, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 180601 (2004)



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7. Evaluate the Hamiltonian at the "optimal profile".

$\begin{array}{l} \text{Current CGF} & \text{Optimal profile} \\ \mu(\lambda) = \frac{1}{L} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}x \, H(\rho_{\lambda}^{*}, \hat{\rho}_{\lambda}^{*}) & \rho(x, t) = \rho_{\lambda}^{*}(x), \ \hat{\rho}(x, t) = \hat{\rho}_{\lambda}^{*}(x) \end{array}$

Bodineau & Derrida, Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 180601 (2004)

Bertini et al., Rev. Mod. Phys. 87, 593 (2015)

Macroscopic fluctuation theory



Current fluctuations in the hydrodynamic limit

Current CGF

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{For } D(\rho) = 1 \text{ and } \sigma(\rho) = c_2 \rho^2 + c_1 \rho, \\ & \mu(\lambda) = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \, H(\rho_{\lambda}^*, \hat{\rho}_{\lambda}^*) = \begin{cases} -\frac{2}{Lc_2} \left(\operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\omega} \right)^2 & \text{for } \omega > 0 \\ +\frac{2}{Lc_2} \left(\operatorname{arcsin} \sqrt{-\omega} \right)^2 & \text{for } \omega < 0 \end{cases} \\ & \omega(\lambda, \bar{\rho}_A, \bar{\rho}_B) = \frac{c_2}{c_1^2} (1 - e^{-c_1 \lambda/2}) [c_1(\bar{\rho}_B - e^{c_1 \lambda/2} \bar{\rho}_A) - c_2(e^{c_1 \lambda/2} - 1) \bar{\rho}_A \bar{\rho}_B] \end{aligned}$$

Imparato, Lecomte, van Wijland, Phys. Rev. E 80, 011131 (2009)

Current LDF
$$\Phi(J) = \sup_{\lambda} [\lambda J - \mu(\lambda)]$$

Symmetric exclusion process (SEP: $c_1 = 2, c_2 = -2$) $\Phi(J) \sim J^2$ (Gaussian)

Kipnis–Marchioro–Presutti model (KMP: $c_1 = 0, c_2 = 2$)

 $\Phi(J) \sim J$ (Exponential)

Current fluctuations in the hydrodynamic limit

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In any case,
$$J(\lambda) = \frac{\mathrm{d}\mu}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} = O(L^{-1})$$

Interpretation

In the hydrodynamic limit, current fluctuations are always comparable to the average density gradient.

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Rest of the talk

- ✦ Large N limit
- Current fluctuations of the SEP-like model
- Current fluctuations of the KMP-like model
- Properties of optimal profiles
- Conclusions and future works

Revisiting the hydrodynamic limit

Hydrodynamic limit involves two limiting processes.



Idea: take only the first limit, leave the second limit untaken.

Derrida, J. Stat. Mech., P07023 (2007)





















Coarse-grained dynamics

(with appropriate boundary rates and rescaling of time)



Propagator for the number configuration

$$P[\mathbf{n}_{\mathsf{f}}, t_{\mathsf{f}} | \mathbf{n}_{\mathsf{i}}, t_{\mathsf{i}}] = \int D\mathbf{n} D\hat{\mathbf{n}} \exp\left\{-\int_{t_{\mathsf{i}}}^{t_{\mathsf{f}}} \mathsf{d}t \,\left[\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{n}} - H(\mathbf{n}, \hat{\mathbf{n}})\right]\right\}$$

Lefèvre & Biroli, J. Stat. Mech., P07024 (2007)

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Propagator for the density configuration

$$P[\boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mathsf{f}}, t_{\mathsf{f}} | \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mathsf{i}}, t_{\mathsf{i}}] = \int \mathcal{D}\boldsymbol{\rho} \mathcal{D}\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}} \exp\left\{-\underline{N} \int_{t_{\mathsf{i}}}^{t_{\mathsf{f}}} \mathsf{d}t \left[\hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}} \cdot \dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}} - H(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}})\right]\right\}$$
$$N \gg 1 \text{ enables the saddle-point approximation}$$

Pre-Hamiltonian

Large N limit

$$H(\mathbf{n}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} \left[n_i (N - n_{i+1}) \left(e^{\hat{n}_{i+1} - \hat{n}_i} - 1 \right) + n_{i+1} (N - n_i) \left(e^{\hat{n}_i - \hat{n}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \right] \\ + n_1 (N - \bar{n}_A) \left(e^{-\hat{n}_1} - 1 \right) + \bar{n}_A (N - n_1) \left(e^{\hat{n}_1} - 1 \right) \\ + n_L (N - \bar{n}_B) \left(e^{-\hat{n}_L} - 1 \right) + \bar{n}_B (N - n_L) \left(e^{\hat{n}_L} - 1 \right) \\ \mathbf{Rescaling to density} \\ \bar{n}_{A,B} \to N \bar{\rho}_{A,B} \\ n_i \to N \rho_i \\ \hat{n}_i \to \hat{\rho}_i \\ t \to N^{-1} t \\ \end{bmatrix}$$
Effective Hamiltonian (N > 1)
$$H(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} \left[\rho_i (1 - \rho_{i+1}) \left(e^{\hat{\rho}_{i+1} - \hat{\rho}_i} - 1 \right) + \rho_{i+1} (1 - \rho_i) \left(e^{\hat{\rho}_i - \hat{\rho}_{i+1}} - 1 \right) \right] \\ + \rho_1 (1 - \bar{\rho}_A) \left(e^{-\hat{\rho}_1} - 1 \right) + \bar{\rho}_B (1 - \rho_L) \left(e^{\hat{\rho}_L} - 1 \right) \\ + \rho_L (1 - \bar{\rho}_B) \left(e^{-\hat{\rho}_L} - 1 \right) + \bar{\rho}_B (1 - \rho_L) \left(e^{\hat{\rho}_L} - 1 \right)$$

Effective Hamiltonian ($N \gg 1$)

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$$H(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}) = \int_0^- \mathsf{d}x \left[-(\partial_x \rho)(\partial_x \hat{\rho}) + \rho(1-\rho)(\partial_x \hat{\rho})^2 \right]$$

 $D(\rho) = 1$, $\sigma(\rho) = \rho(1 - \rho)$: this model is indeed SEP-like.

Large N limit



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Large N limit



Other works using the large N limit

- Population dynamics
 Meerson & Sasorov, Phys. Rev. E 83, 011129 (2011)
- ◆ Spin-*j* representation of SEP and KMP $(j = N/2 \rightarrow \infty)$ Tailleur, Kurchan, Lecomte, J. Phys. A **41**, 505001 (2008)

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Calculation of the current CGF





Behaviors of the current CGF

Result for the large *N* limit

$$\mu_L(\lambda) = \begin{cases} (L+1)\sinh^2\left(\frac{1}{L+1}\mathrm{arcsinh}\sqrt{\omega}\right) & \text{for } \omega > 0\\ -(L+1)\sin^2\left(\frac{1}{L+1}\,\mathrm{arcsin}\,\sqrt{-\omega}\right) & \text{for } \omega < 0 \end{cases}$$

Hydrodynamic result

$$\Phi(J) \sim J^2$$

 $\Phi(J) \sim J \ln J$

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Auxiliary variable for both cases

$$\omega(\lambda,\bar{\rho}_A,\bar{\rho}_B) = (1-e^{-\lambda})[\bar{\rho}_B - e^{\lambda}\bar{\rho}_A + (e^{\lambda}-1)\bar{\rho}_A\bar{\rho}_B]$$

SEP-like model

Behaviors of the current CGF

Comparison between the two limits

Dashed: hydrodynamic Solid: large N limit



 $\mu_L(\lambda) - \mu(\lambda) = O(L^{-3})$

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Why O(1), instead of somewhere between O(1/L) and O(1)?

Before trying to answer this question, let's check a different class of model first.

KMP-like model

SEP-like dynamics



KMP-like model

KMP-like dynamics



Features

- Attraction instead of excluded volume repulsion.
- \bullet N is no longer an upper bound on the number of particles.
- Depending on the reservoir conditions, the occupancy of each site can be much larger than N.

Idea: consider the case when $\bar{n}_{A,B} \sim N^2$.

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 $N \gg 1$ enables the saddle-point approximation

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Effective Hamiltonian ($N \gg 1$)

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Hydrodynamic limit $(N \gg 1, L \gg 1)$

$$H(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}) = \int_0^1 dx \left[-(\partial_x \rho)(\partial_x \hat{\rho}) + \rho^2(\partial_x \hat{\rho})^2 \right]$$

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KMP-like model

Hydrodynamic and non-hydrodynamic regimes are undistinguishable.

Why so different?

Let's check optimal profiles supporting large current fluctuations.



Optimal profiles of the SEP-like model





Optimal profiles of the SEP-like model



$$j = -\partial_x \rho + 2\rho(1-\rho)\partial_x \hat{\rho}$$

Large current supported by large momentum gradient

Since $\partial_x \hat{\rho} \sim L^{\alpha-1}$ for $\lambda \sim L^{\alpha}$, $\alpha = 1$ is the borderline for small gradient.



Optimal profiles of the KMP-like model





Optimal profiles of the KMP-like model



Large current supported by large density values

The large current is dominated by the non-gradient second term and is blind to the diverging density gradient.



Large current supported by large momentum gradient

KMP-like model

$$j = -\partial_x \rho + \underline{2\rho^2} \partial_x \hat{\rho}$$

Large current supported by large density values

Stochastic component plays a dominant role in both cases. Hydrodynamic description breaks down only when the stochastic component requires a large gradient to support a large current fluctuation.

Meerson & Sasorov, Phys. Rev. E 89, 010101 (2014)

Summary and future works

Summary

- We formulated the large N limit to investigate the possibility of non-hydrodynamic tail behaviors of current fluctuations.
- Under the assumption of stationary saddle-point solutions, we obtained expressions for current CGFs of SEP-like and KMP-like models.
- The hydrodynamic description breaks down for the SEP-like model, but it remains valid for the KMP-like model.

Future works

- The validity of the stationary saddle-point solution remains to be established more rigorously.
- The large N limit might be useful for making minimal models of nonequilibrium systems.