

Diffusion d'une particule marquée dans un gaz dilué de sphères dures

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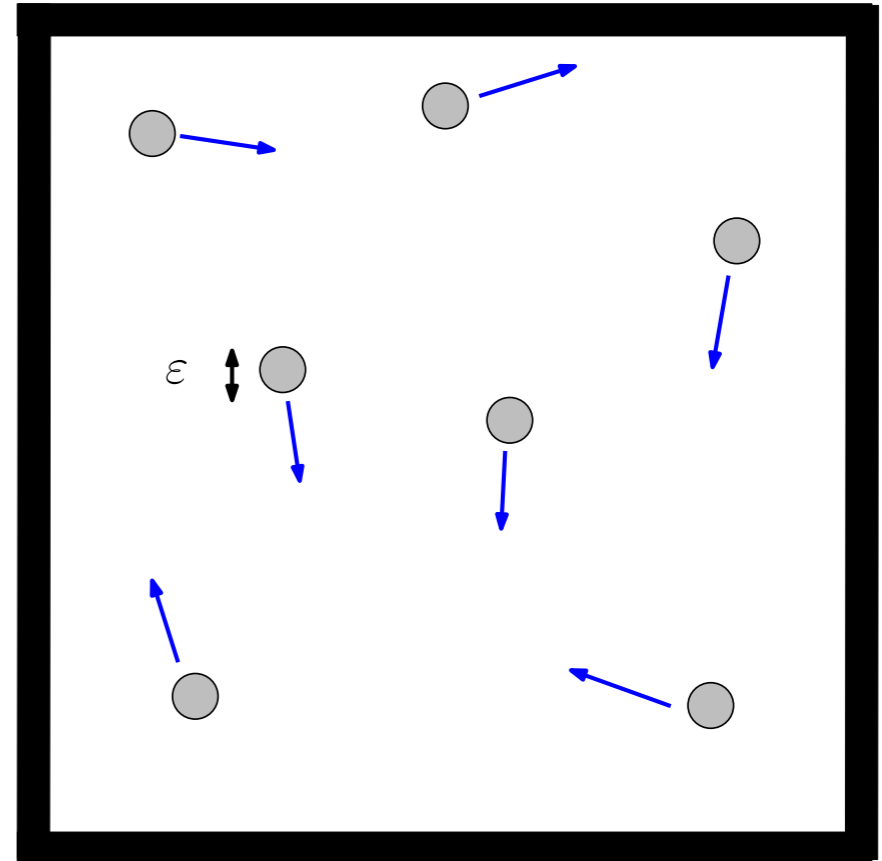
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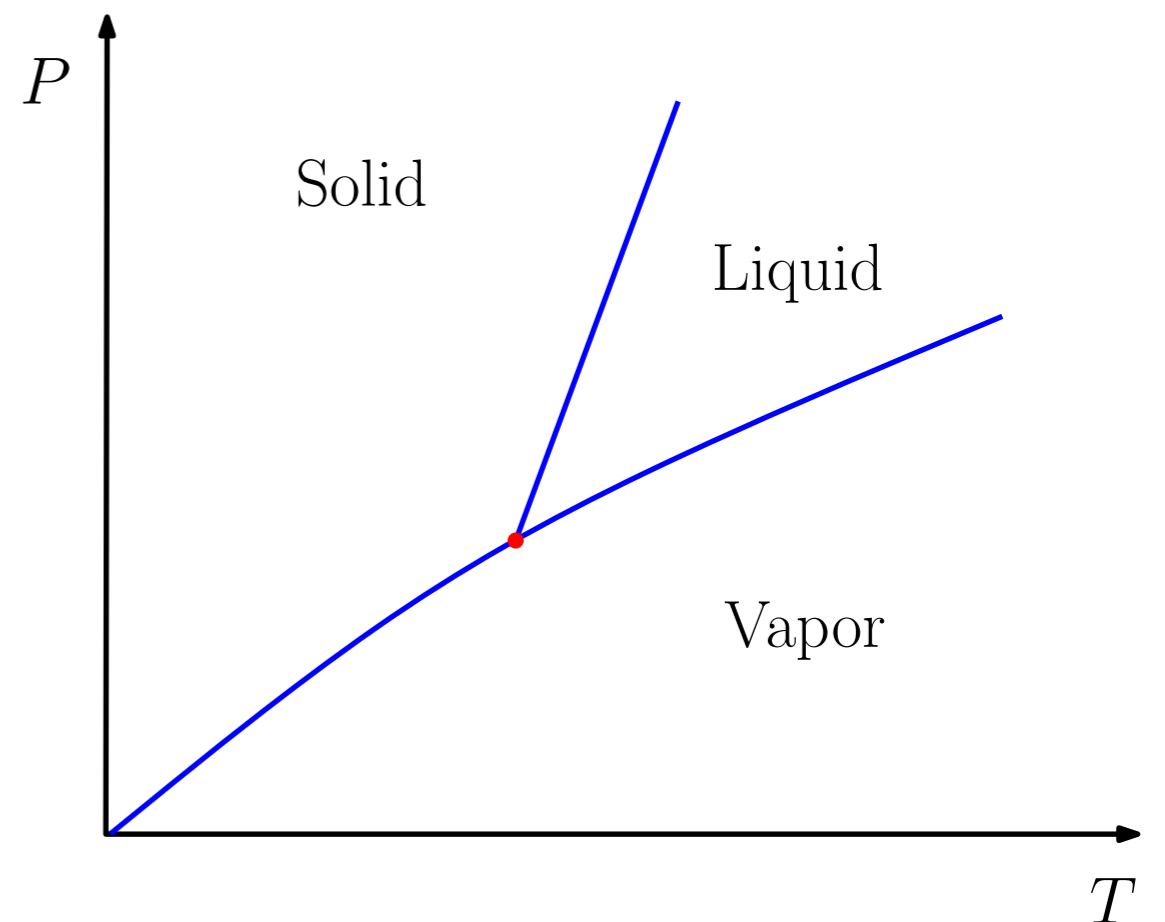
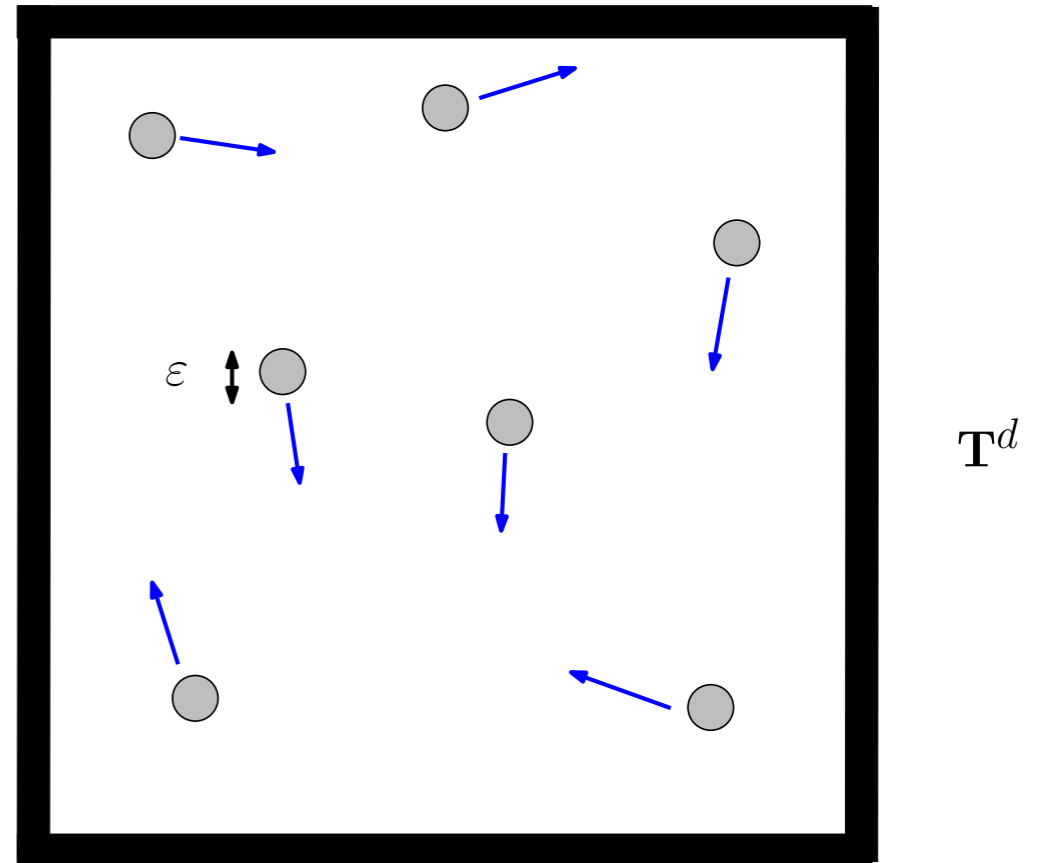
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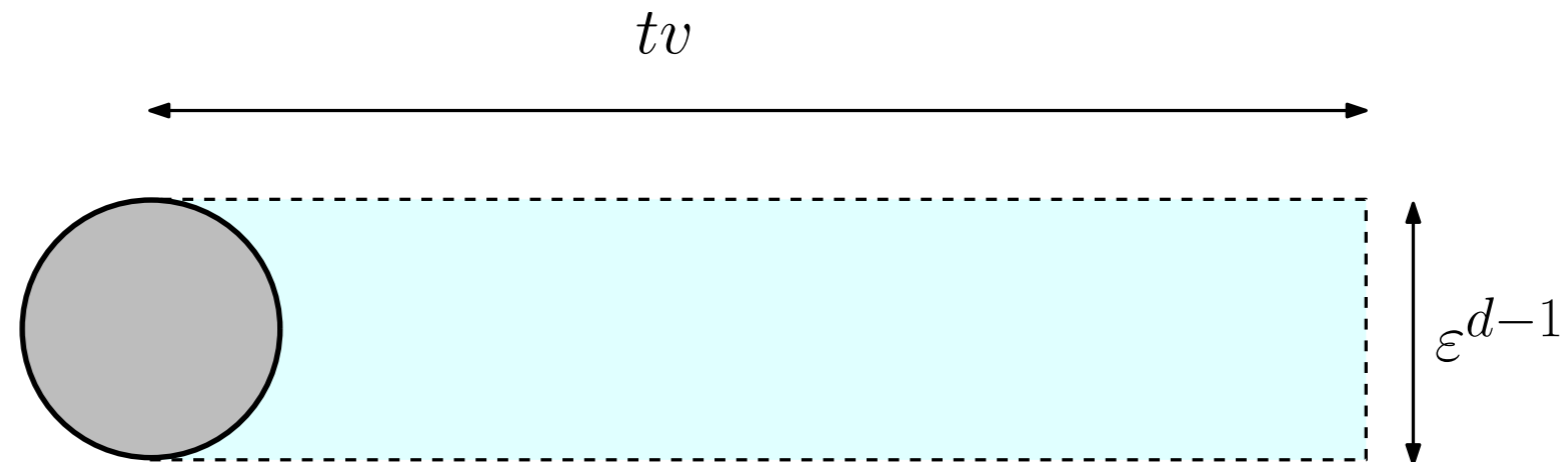
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Boltzmann-Grad scaling



- Volume covered by a particle $= tv\varepsilon^{d-1}$
- On average N particles per unit volume

On average, a particle has α collisions per unit of time

$$N \times \varepsilon^{d-1} \equiv \alpha$$

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Initial data at equilibrium and a tagged particle (x_1, v_1)

Questions.

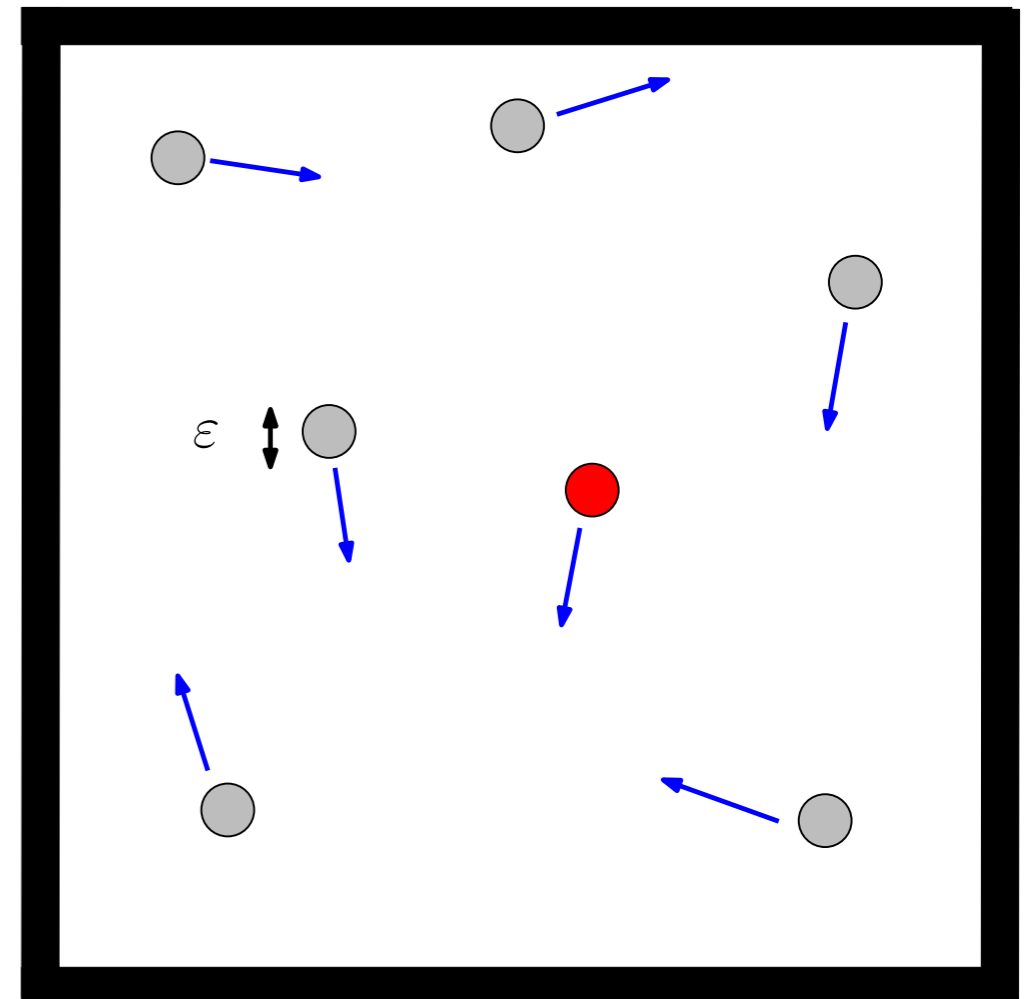
In the Boltzmann-Grad scaling

$$N \times \varepsilon^{d-1} \equiv \alpha \text{ and } N \rightarrow \infty$$

1. Distribution of $(x_1(t), v_1(t))$

2. Position of the tagged particle

$$x_1(\alpha t) \text{ when } \alpha \rightarrow \infty$$



Hard Sphere dynamics

Gas of N hard spheres : $Z_N = \{(x_i(t), v_i(t))\}_{i \leq N}$

$$\frac{dx_i}{dt} = v_i, \quad \frac{dv_i}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{as long as } |x_i(t) - x_j(t)| > \varepsilon,$$

and elastic collisions if $|x_i(t) - x_j(t)| = \varepsilon$

$$\begin{cases} v_i(t^+) = v_i(t^-) - \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (v_i - v_j) \cdot (x_i - x_j)(x_i - x_j)(t^-) \\ v_j(t^+) = v_j(t^-) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} (v_i - v_j) \cdot (x_i - x_j)(x_i - x_j)(t^-) \end{cases}$$

Liouville equation for the particle density $f_N(t, Z_N)$

$$\partial_t f_N + \sum_{i=1}^N v_i \cdot \nabla_{x_i} f_N = 0$$

in the phase space

$$\mathcal{D}_\varepsilon^N := \left\{ Z_N \in \mathbf{T}_\lambda^{dN} \times \mathbb{R}^{dN} / \forall i \neq j, \quad |x_i - x_j| > \varepsilon \right\}$$

with specular reflection on the boundary $\partial \mathcal{D}_\varepsilon^N$.

The tagged particle

Equilibrium distribution

$$M_{N,\beta}(Z_N) = \frac{1}{Z_{N,\beta}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N |v_i|^2\right) \prod_{i \neq j} 1_{|x_i - x_j| > \varepsilon}$$

Particle $Z_1 = (x_1, v_1)$ is tagged. Initial distribution :

$$f_N^0(Z_N) = M_{N,\beta}(Z_N) \rho^0(x_1)$$

Uniform bound: $\rho^0(x_1) \leq \mu$

Notation: Marginals

$$t \geq 0, \forall s \geq 1, \quad f_N^{(s)}(t, Z_s) = \iint f_N(t, Z_N) dz_{s+1} \dots dz_N$$

Tagged particle distribution $f_N^{(1)}(t, (x_1, v_1))$

Limiting stochastic process

single particle dynamics

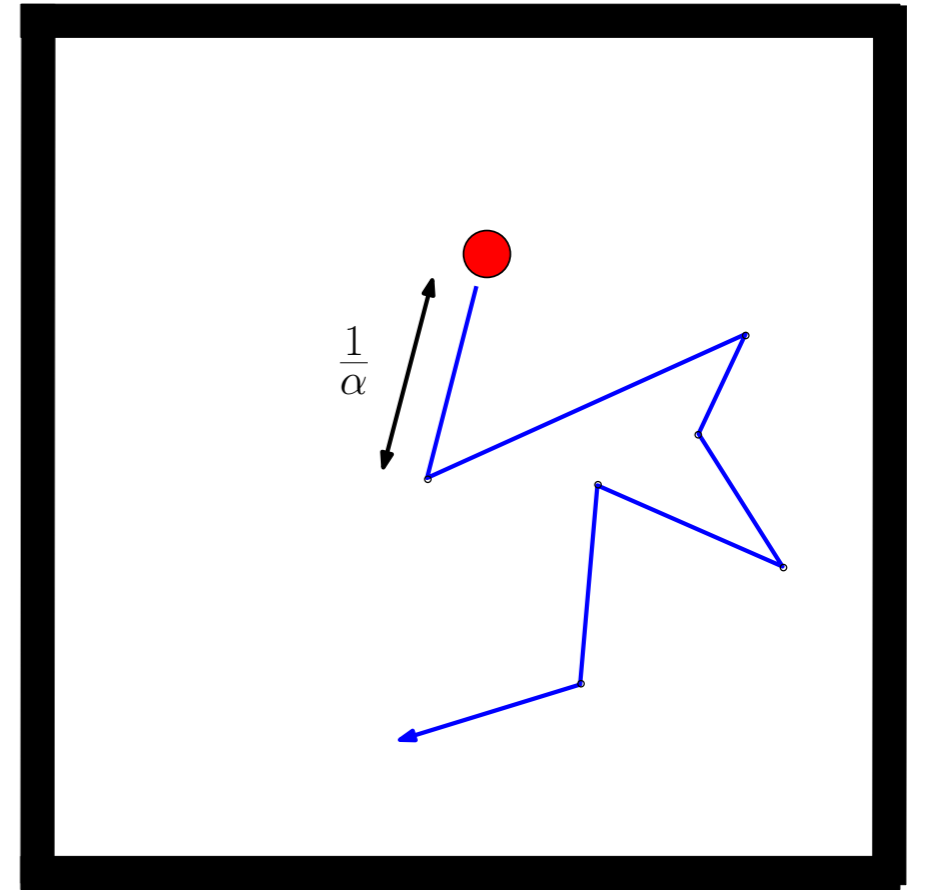
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Markov process on the velocities

$\{v(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ with generator αL

$$Lg(v) := \iint [g(v) - g(v')] \left((v - v_1) \cdot \nu \right)_+ M_\beta(v_1) dv_1 d\nu$$

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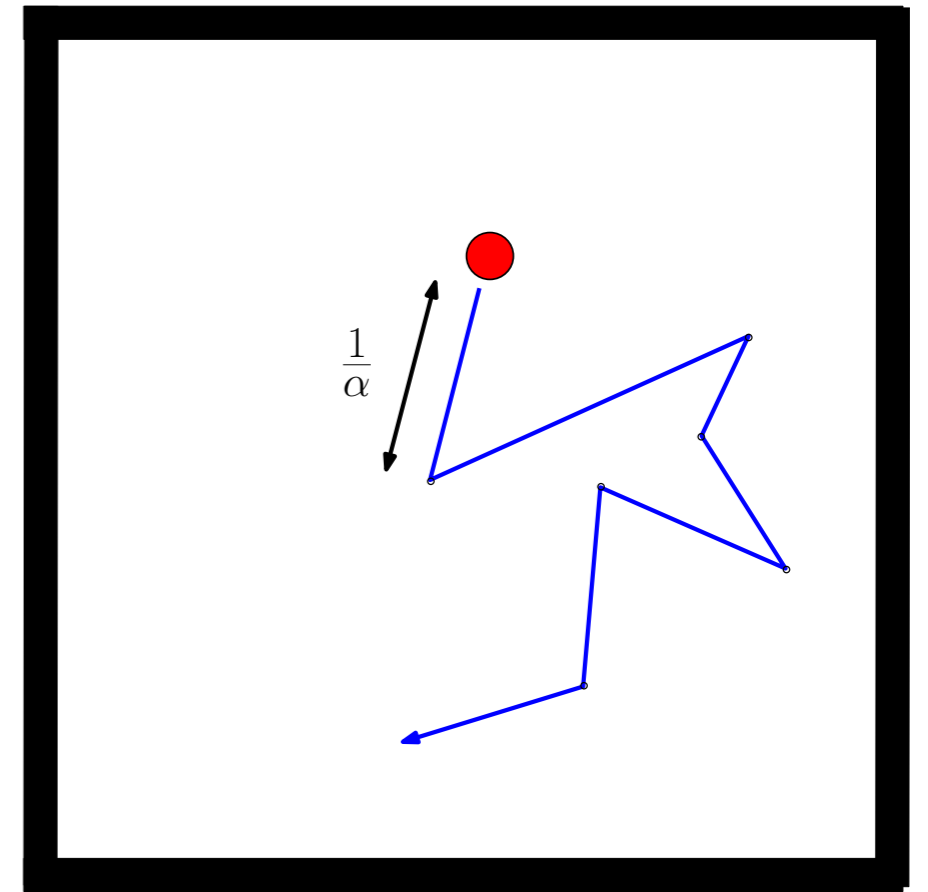
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Particle distribution $M_\beta(v)\varphi_\alpha(x, v, t)$ follows the

Linear Boltzmann equation

$$\partial_t \varphi + v \cdot \nabla_x \varphi = -\alpha L \varphi$$

Probabilist approaches :

Tanaka, Sznitman, Méléard, Graham, Fournier ...

[van Beijeren, Lanford, Lebowitz, Spohn]

N particle
system

$$f_N^{(1)}(x_1, v_1, t)$$

$$\alpha = N \varepsilon^{d-1}$$

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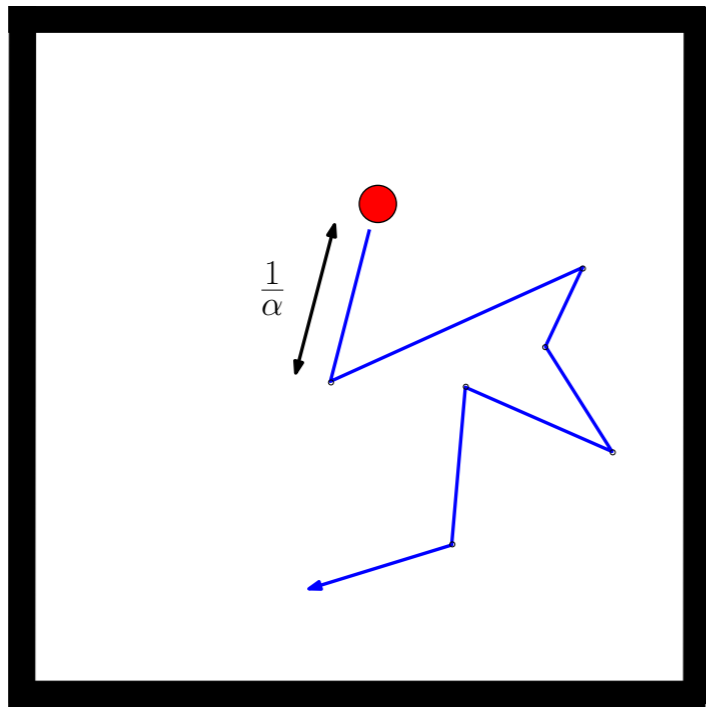
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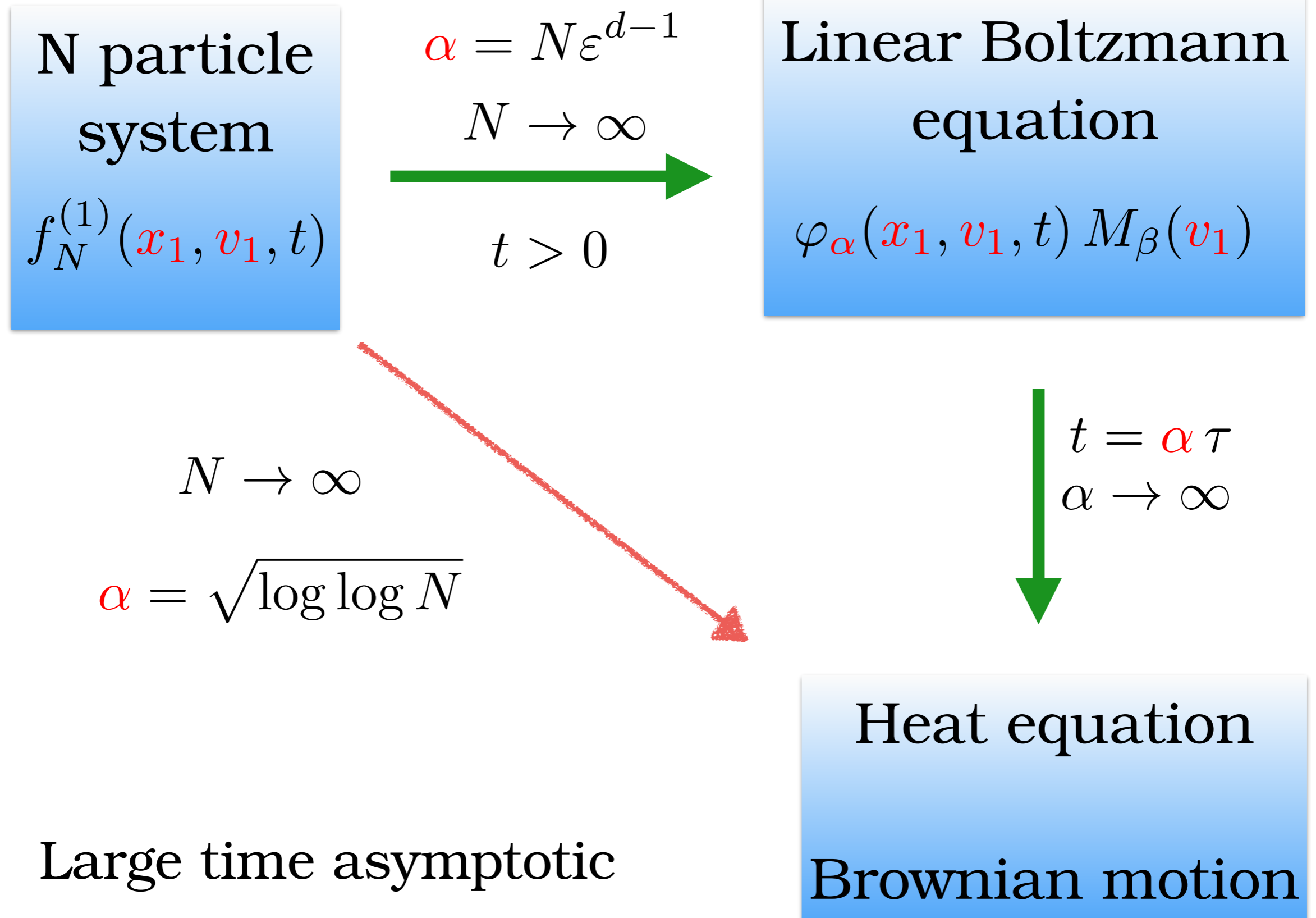
Large time asymptotic

$$t = \alpha \tau$$
$$\alpha \rightarrow \infty$$

Heat equation

Brownian motion

[van Beijeren, Lanford, Lebowitz, Spohn]



Convergence to the Brownian motion

Rescaled position of the tagged particle

$$\chi(\tau) = x_1(\alpha\tau) \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha = \sqrt{\log \log N}$$

Initial data $f_N^0(Z_N) = M_{N,\beta}(Z_N) \rho^0(x_1)$

Theorem [B., Gallagher, Saint-Raymond]

χ converges weakly to a brownian motion with variance κ_β

The distribution of the tagged particle $f_N^{(1)}(x_1, v_1, \alpha\tau)$

converges as $N \rightarrow \infty$ to $M_\beta(v_1) \rho(x_1, \tau)$

$$\partial_\tau \rho = \kappa_\beta \Delta_x \rho \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}^+ \times [0, 1]^d, \quad \rho|_{\tau=0} = \rho^0$$

Quantum brownian motion: [Erdős, Salmhofer, Yau]

Lorentz gas

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[Lanford], [King], [Alexander], [Uchiyama], [Cercignani, Illner, Pulvirenti], [Simonella], [Gallagher, Saint-Raymond, Texier], [Pulvirenti, Saffirio, Simonella]

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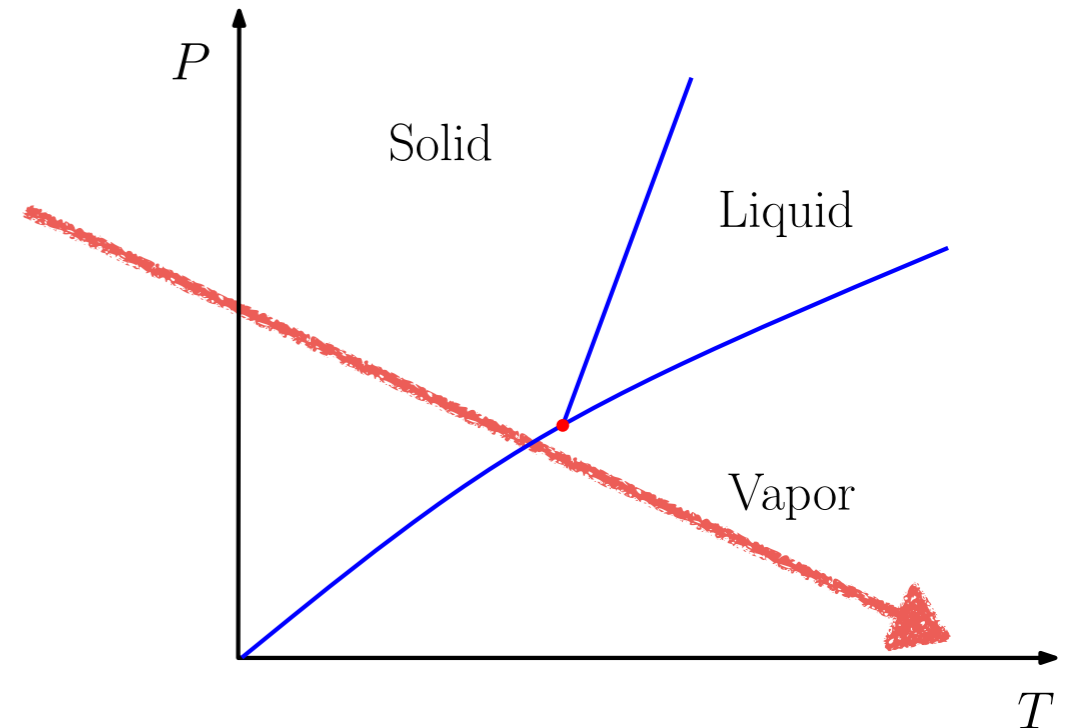
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Lanford's strategy leads to a short time convergence which depends on f^0 . The convergence time remains short even if initially the system starts from equilibrium !!!

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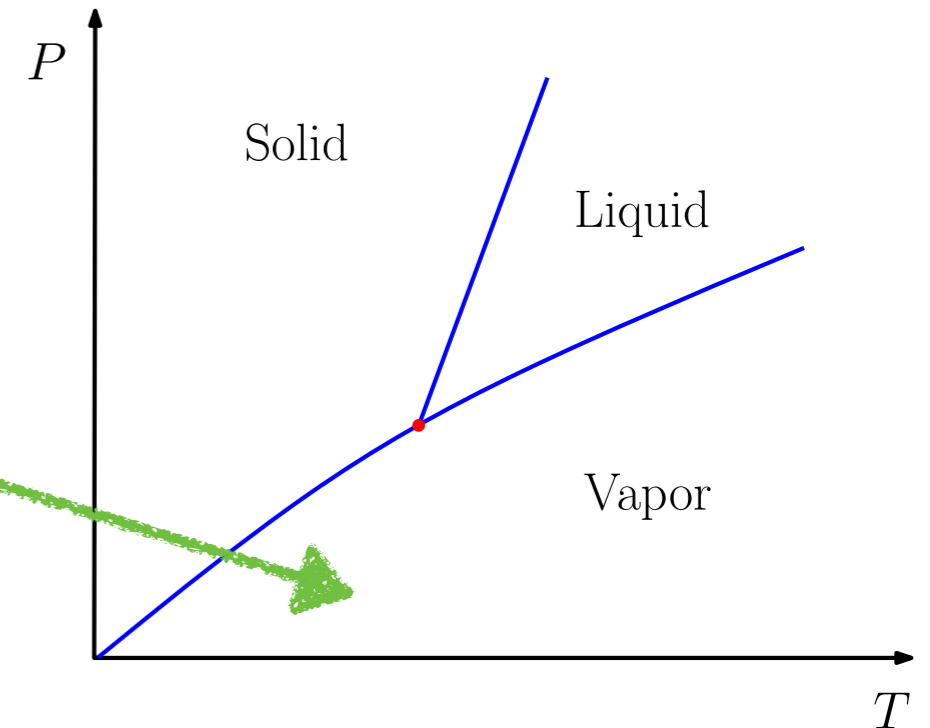
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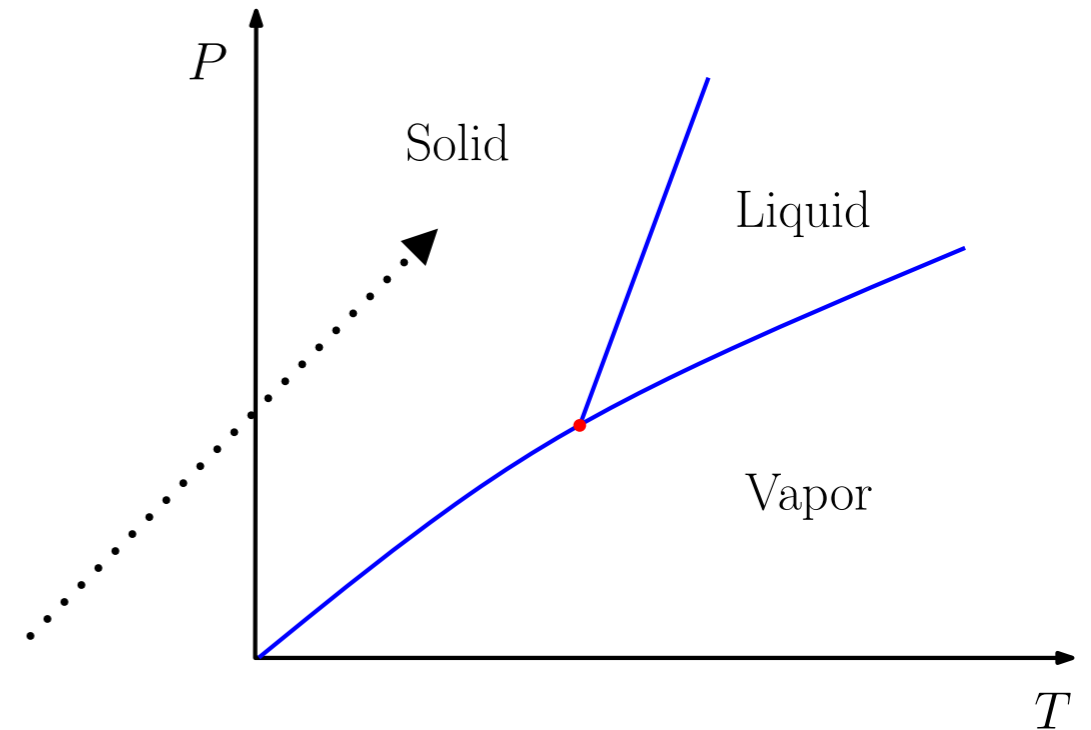
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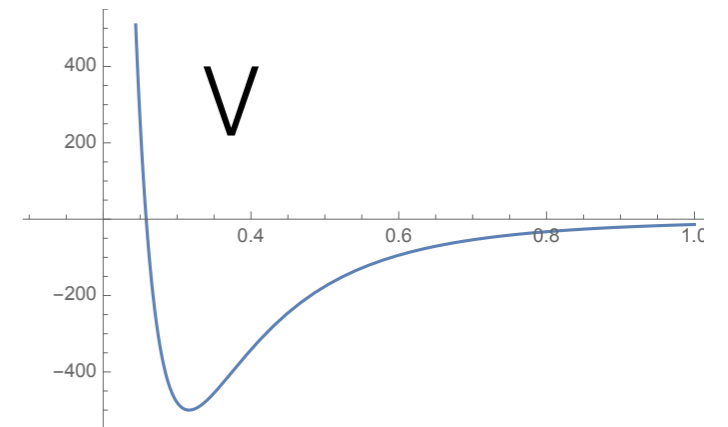
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$$H(X) = - \sum_{i,j} V \left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{\varepsilon} \right)$$

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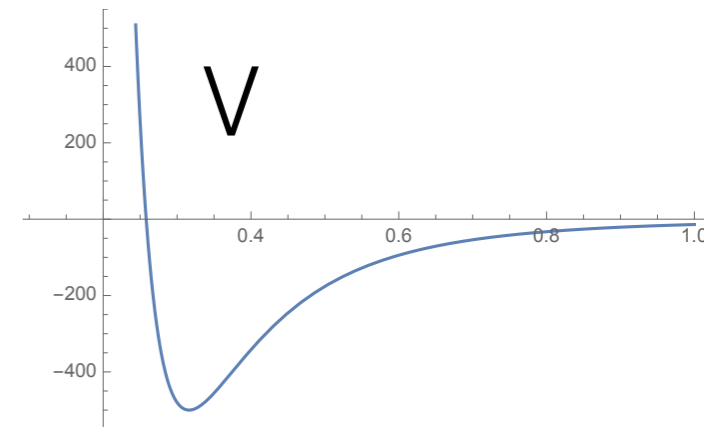
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There is a density $\rho = N\varepsilon^d$ and a temperature T

$$\mu_{N,T} \left(\text{Phase transition} \right) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

[Lebowitz, Mazel, Presutti]

Continuum percolation

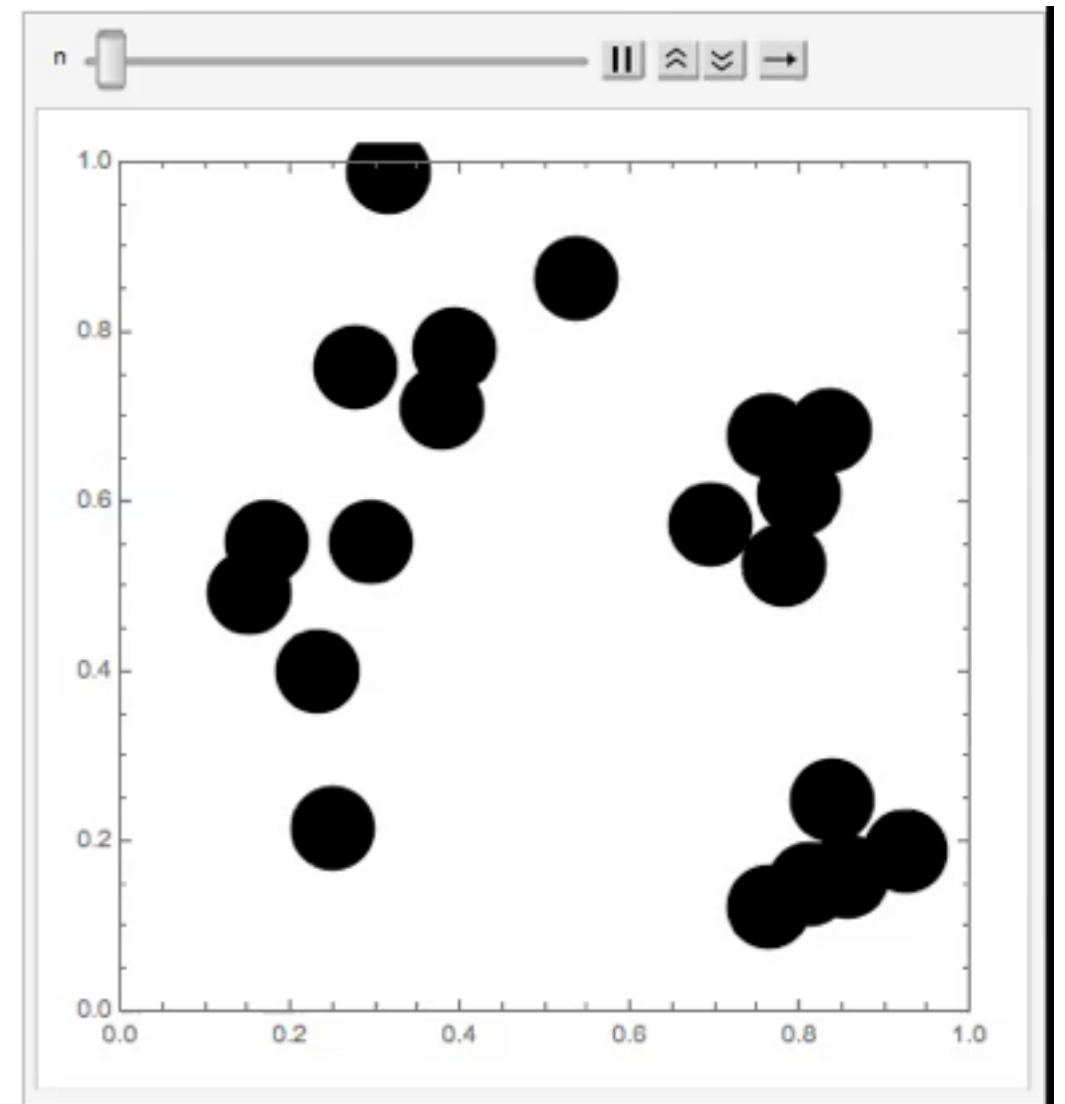
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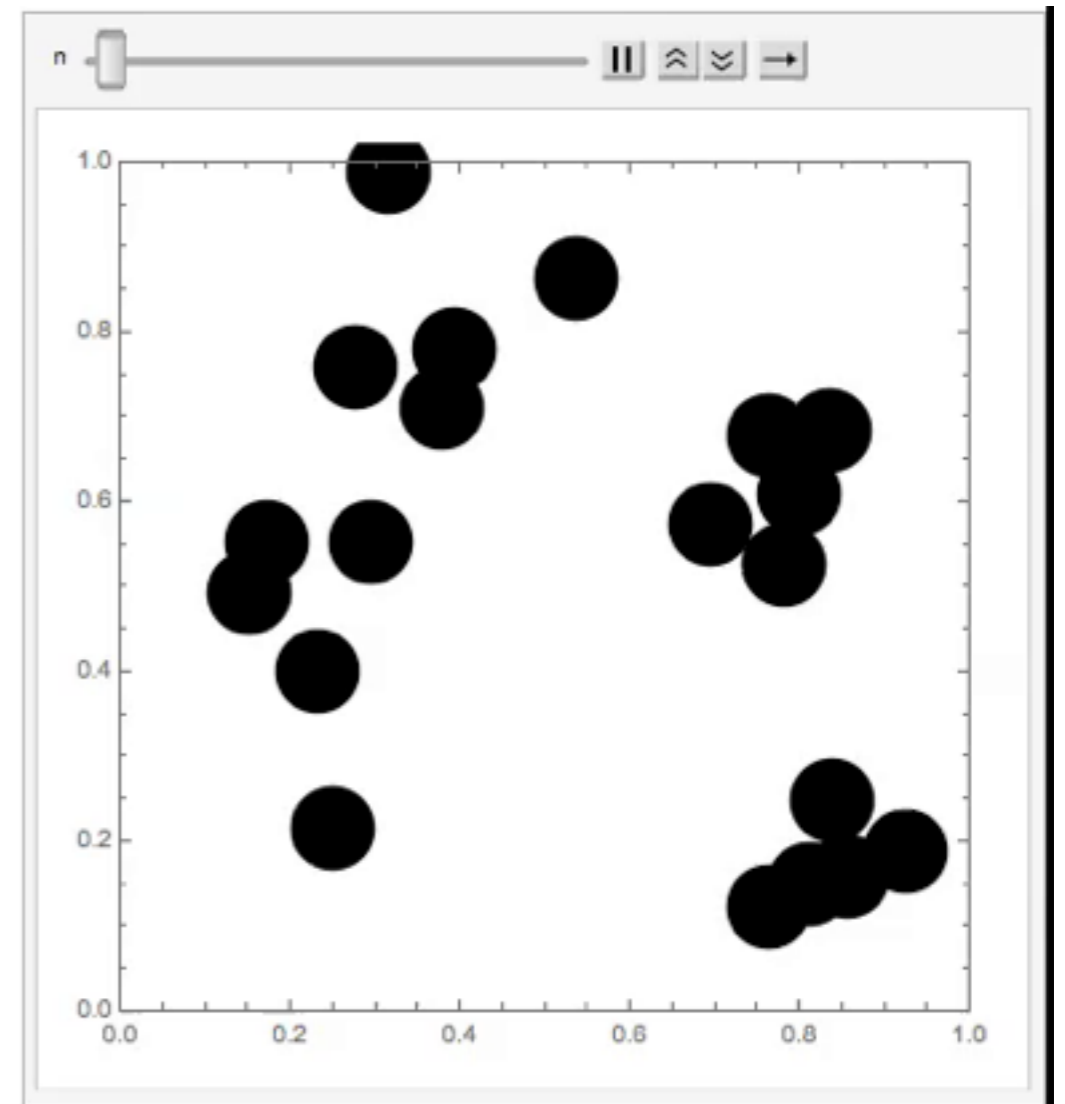
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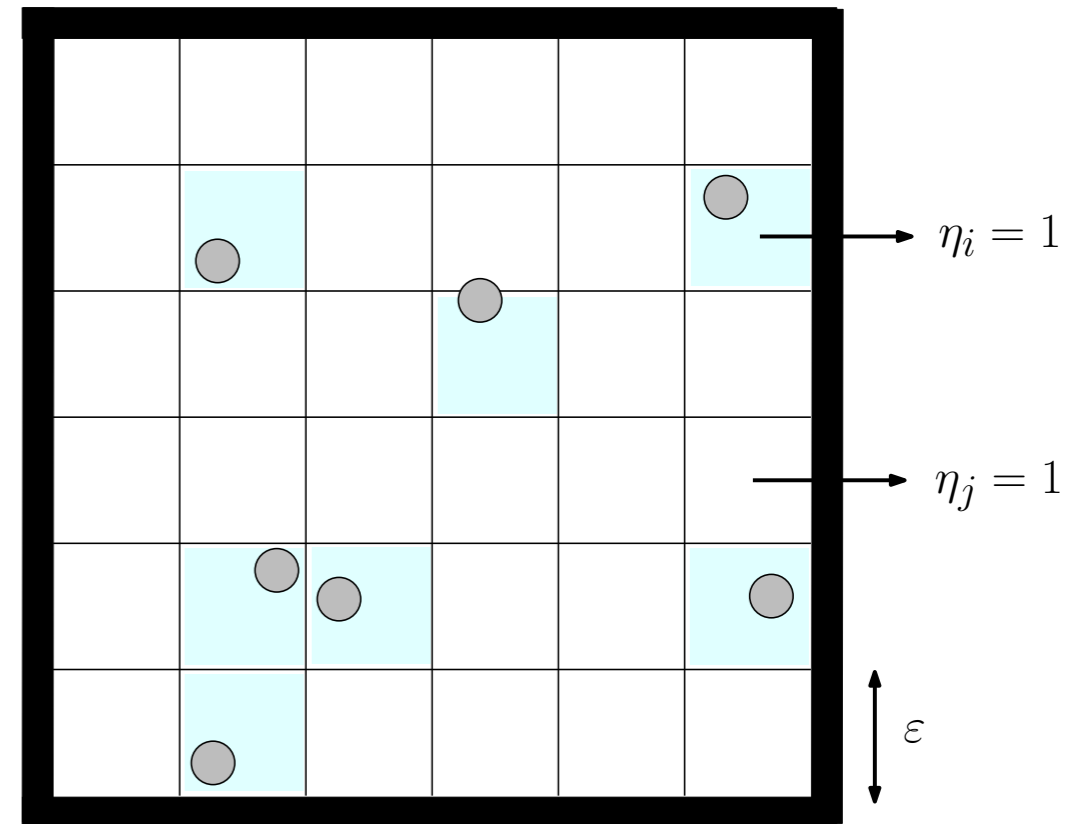
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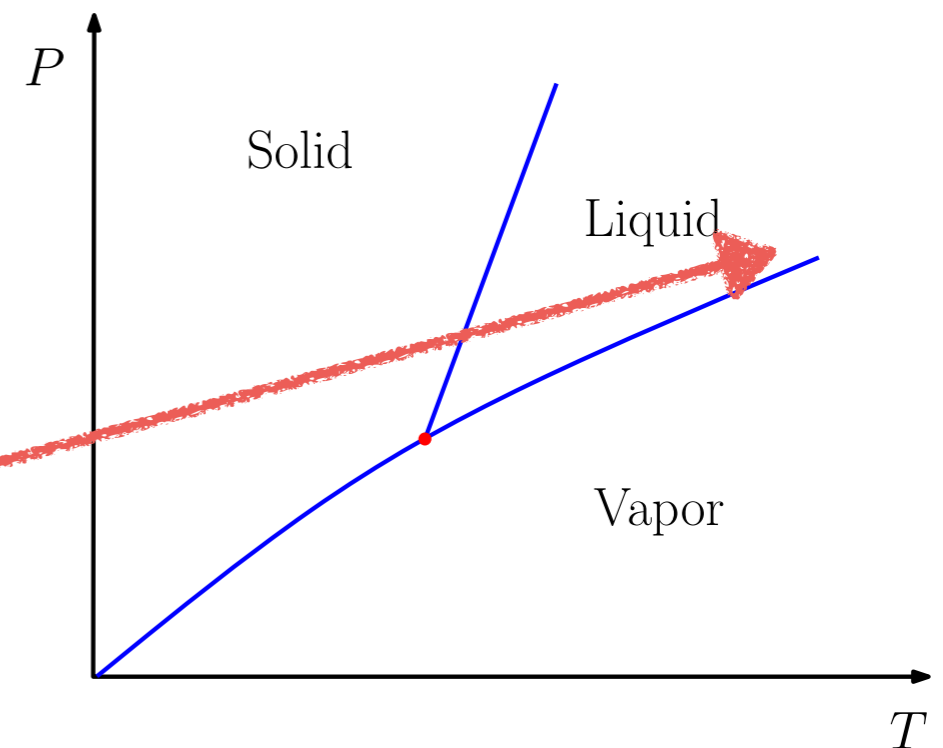
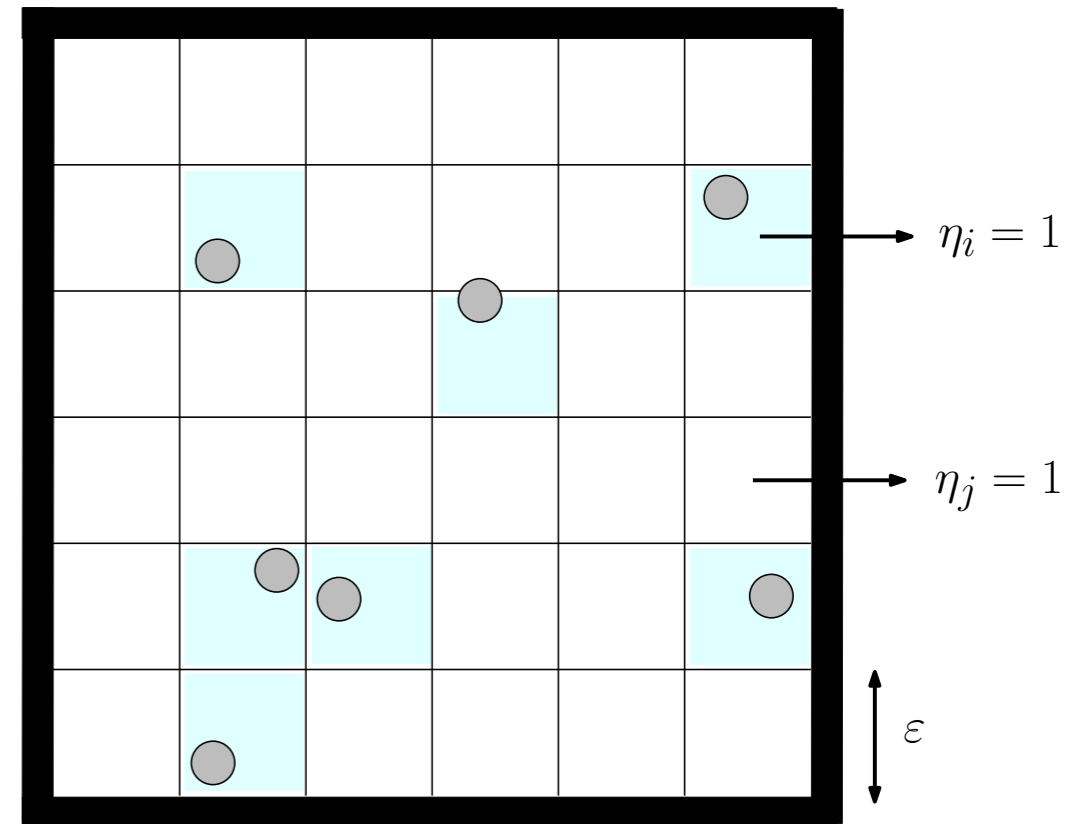
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Ising Model : $\sigma_i = 2\eta_i - 1$

B. de Tilière



- **Equilibrium systems** : Gibbs measure

Parameters : (T, h) ; (T, P)

Critical curve : $T = F(h)$

- **Non-equilibrium systems** : Local dynamical rules
 - Sandpile models; Driven particle systems ...
 - Long range correlations; Self-organized criticality (in general no obvious Hamiltonian)

M. Gorny : A mean field approach