

Implementation of the propagator method

Path integral representation

For the full propagator

$$K(x, \mathbf{R}, t; x', \mathbf{R}', 0) = \int_{x'}^x \int_{\mathbf{R}'}^{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}\mathbf{R}(t') \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} S[x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t')] \right\}$$
$$S[x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t')] = \int_0^t L(x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t'), \dot{x}(t'), \dot{\mathbf{R}}(t')) dt'$$

Initial density operator $\hat{\rho}(x', \mathbf{R}', y', \mathbf{Q}', 0) = \hat{\rho}(x', y', 0) \hat{\rho}(\mathbf{R}', \mathbf{Q}', 0),$

Reduced density operator as a function of time

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, y, t) = \int \int dx' dy' \mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) \tilde{\rho}(x', y', 0)$$

Super-propagator

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = \int \int \int d\mathbf{R}' d\mathbf{Q}' d\mathbf{R} \left\{ K(x, \mathbf{R}, t; x', \mathbf{R}', 0) \right. \\ \left. \times K^*(y, \mathbf{R}, t; y', \mathbf{Q}', 0) \tilde{\rho}_R(\mathbf{R}', \mathbf{Q}', 0) \right\}.$$

And if $S[x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t')] = \tilde{S}_0[x(t')] + S_I[x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t')] + S_R[\mathbf{R}(t')]$

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t') \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \tilde{S}_0[x(t')] \right\} \exp \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \tilde{S}_0[y(t')] \right\} \\ \times \mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')]$$

System decoupled
from the bath

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = K_0(x, t; x', 0) K_0^*(y, t; y', 0)$$

Minimal model

$$\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \int \int \int d\mathbf{R}' d\mathbf{Q}' d\mathbf{R} \rho_R(\mathbf{R}', \mathbf{Q}', 0) \int_{\mathbf{R}'}^{\mathbf{R}} \int_{\mathbf{Q}'}^{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{D}\mathbf{R}(t') \mathcal{D}\mathbf{R}(t') \times \\ \times \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \left[S_I[x(t'), \mathbf{R}(t')] - S_I[y(t'), \mathbf{Q}(t')] + S_R[\mathbf{R}(t')] - S_R[\mathbf{Q}(t')] \right] \right\},$$

Forced harmonic oscillator action

$$S_{cl}^{(k)} = \frac{m_k \omega_k}{2 \sin \omega_k t} \left[\left(R_k^2 + R_k'^2 \right) \cos \omega_k t - 2 R_k R_k' \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2 C_k R_k}{m_k \omega_k} \int_0^t x(t') \sin \omega_k t' dt' + \frac{2 C_k R_k'}{m_k \omega_k} \int_0^t x(t') \sin \omega_k (t - t') dt' \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2 C_k^2}{m_k^2 \omega_k^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' x(t') x(t'') \sin \omega_k (t - t') \sin \omega_k t'' \right].$$

averaged over

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_R(\mathbf{R}', \mathbf{Q}', 0) &= \prod_k \rho_R^{(k)}(R'_k, Q'_k, 0) = \\ &= \prod_k \frac{m_k \omega_k}{2\pi \hbar \sinh\left(\frac{\hbar \omega_k}{k_B T}\right)} \exp - \left\{ \frac{m_k \omega_k}{2\hbar \sinh\left(\frac{\hbar \omega_k}{k_B T}\right)} \left[\left(R'^2_k + Q'^2_k \right) \cosh\left(\frac{\hbar \omega_k}{k_B T}\right) - 2R'_k Q'_k \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Resulting super-propagator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) &= \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t') \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\{ \tilde{S}_0[x(t')] - \tilde{S}_0[y(t')] - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \alpha_I(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) + y(\sigma)] \right\} \times \\ &\quad \times \exp - \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \alpha_R(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) - y(\sigma)] \left. \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Time kernels

$$\alpha_R(\tau - \sigma) = \sum_k \frac{C_k^2}{2m_k\omega_k} \coth \frac{\hbar\omega_k}{2k_B T} \cos\omega_k(\tau - \sigma)$$

$$\alpha_I(\tau - \sigma) = - \sum_k \frac{C_k^2}{2m_k\omega_k} \sin\omega_k(\tau - \sigma)$$

For ohmic dissipation

$$\eta(\tau - \sigma) = 2M\gamma(\tau - \sigma) \equiv \sum_k \frac{C_k^2}{2m_k\omega_k^2} \cos\omega_k(\tau - \sigma) \quad \alpha_I(\tau - \sigma) = \frac{d\eta(\tau - \sigma)}{d\tau}$$

$$\alpha_R(\tau - \sigma) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\Omega} d\omega \eta\omega \coth \frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T} \cos\omega(\tau - \sigma)$$

$$\alpha_I(\tau - \sigma) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\Omega} d\omega \eta\omega \sin\omega(\tau - \sigma) = \frac{\eta}{\pi} \frac{d}{d(\tau - \sigma)} \int_0^{\Omega} d\omega \cos\omega(\tau - \sigma)$$

Double integral in the imaginary part of the super-propagator

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\eta}{\pi} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau \int_0^\Omega [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \frac{d}{d(\tau - \sigma)} \cos \omega(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) + y(\sigma)] d\tau d\sigma d\omega \\
 &= -\frac{\eta\Omega}{\pi} \int_0^t [x^2(\tau) - y^2(\tau)] d\tau + \frac{\eta}{\pi} (x' + y') \int_0^t \frac{\sin \Omega\tau}{\tau} [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] d\tau \\
 & \quad + \frac{\eta}{\pi} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \frac{\sin \Omega(\tau - \sigma)}{(\tau - \sigma)} [\dot{x}(\sigma) + \dot{y}(\sigma)] d\tau d\sigma
 \end{aligned}$$

If $t \gg \Omega^{-1}$ $\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sin \Omega(\tau - \sigma)}{\tau - \sigma} \approx \delta(\tau - \sigma)$ and then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta(x' + y') \int_0^t \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sin \Omega\tau}{\tau} [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] d\tau &\rightarrow \eta(x' + y') \int_0^t \delta(\tau) [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] d\tau \\
 \eta(x' + y') \int_{t'}^t \delta(\tau) [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] d\tau &= \begin{cases} 0 & \forall t' > 0 \\ \eta(x'^2 - y'^2)/2 & \text{if } t' = 0. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

In contrast

$$\frac{\eta}{2} \int_0^t d\tau [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \int_0^t \delta(\tau - \sigma) [\dot{x}(\sigma) + \dot{y}(\sigma)] d\sigma = \lim_{t' \rightarrow 0} \frac{\eta}{2} \int_{t'}^t d\tau [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \int_{t'}^t \delta(\tau - \sigma) [\dot{x}(\sigma) + \dot{y}(\sigma)] d\sigma$$

Under the previous choice of the spectral function the final **super-propagator** is

$$\begin{aligned}
 J(x, x', t; y, y', 0) &= \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t') \times \\
 &\times \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\{ S_0[x(t')] - S_0[y(t')] - M\gamma \int_0^t (x\dot{x} - y\dot{y} + x\dot{y} - y\dot{x}) dt' \right\} \times \\
 &\times \exp - \frac{2M\gamma}{\pi\hbar} \int_0^\Omega d\omega \omega \coth \frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] \cos\omega(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) - y(\sigma)]
 \end{aligned}$$

In general

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{J}(x, x', t; y, y', 0) &= \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t') \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\{ S_0[x(t')] - S_0[y(t')] - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\sigma)] M\gamma(\tau - \sigma) [\dot{x}(\tau) + \dot{y}(\sigma)] \right\} \times \\
 &\quad \times \exp - \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] D(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) - y(\sigma)]
 \end{aligned}$$

With boundary condition $\mathcal{J}(x, y, 0^+; x', y', 0) = \delta(x - x') \delta(y - y')$

Quantum master equations

High temperature limit

$$\mathcal{J}(x, x', t; y, y', 0) = \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t')$$

$$\times \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\{ S_0[x(t')] - S_0[y(t')] - M\gamma \int_0^t (x\dot{x} - y\dot{y} + x\dot{y} - y\dot{x}) dt' \right\}$$

$$\times \exp - \frac{2M\gamma k_B T}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t d\tau [x(\tau) - y(\tau)]^2$$

We want to evaluate $\tilde{\rho}(x, y, t + \epsilon) = \int dx' dy' \mathcal{J}(x, y, t + \epsilon; x', y', t) \tilde{\rho}(x', y', t)$

where

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t + \epsilon; x', y', t) \approx \frac{1}{A^2} \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} f(x, y, x', y')$$

$$\times \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\{ \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{2} M \dot{x}^2 - V_0(x) \right) dt' + \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{2} M \dot{y}^2 - V_0(y) \right) dt' \right. \\ \left. - \int_t^{t+\epsilon} M\gamma (x\dot{y} - y\dot{x}) dt' \right\} \exp - \frac{D(T)}{\hbar^2} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} (x - y)^2 dt'$$




$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \tilde{\rho}}{\partial t} = & -\frac{\hbar}{2Mi} \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\rho}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\hbar}{2Mi} \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\rho}}{\partial y^2} - \gamma(x-y) \frac{\partial \tilde{\rho}}{\partial x} + \gamma(x-y) \frac{\partial \tilde{\rho}}{\partial y} \\ & + \frac{V(x)}{i\hbar} \tilde{\rho} - \frac{V(y)}{i\hbar} \tilde{\rho} - \frac{2M\gamma k_B T}{\hbar^2} (x-y)^2 \tilde{\rho} \end{aligned}$$


Which is the coordinate representation of


$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\rho}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\mathcal{H}_0, \tilde{\rho}] + \frac{\gamma}{i\hbar} [q, \{p, \tilde{\rho}\}] - \frac{D}{\hbar^2} [x, [x, \tilde{\rho}]] \quad D = D_{pp} = \eta k_B T$$

The RW quantum master equation: **Lindblad form**

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\rho}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\tilde{\mathcal{H}}, \tilde{\rho}] + \sum_n \{ 2A_n^\dagger \tilde{\rho} A_n - \tilde{\rho} A_n A_n^\dagger - A_n A_n^\dagger \tilde{\rho} \}$$


$$W(q, p, t) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp\left(\frac{ip\xi}{\hbar}\right) \tilde{\rho}\left(q - \frac{\xi}{2}, q + \frac{\xi}{2}, t\right) d\xi$$


$$\tilde{\rho}(x, y, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} W\left(\frac{x+y}{2}, p, t\right) \exp\left(\frac{-ip(x-y)}{\hbar}\right) dp$$


$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial q}(pW) + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} [(2\gamma p + V'(q)) W] + D \frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial p^2}$$

The equilibrium reduced density operator

Full operator $\langle x\mathbf{R}|e^{-\beta H}|y\mathbf{Q}\rangle = \rho(x, \mathbf{R}; x, \mathbf{Q}, \beta)$

Path integral representation

$$\rho(x, \mathbf{R}; y, \mathbf{Q}, \beta) = \int_y^x \int_{\mathbf{Q}}^{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \mathcal{D}\mathbf{R}(\tau) \exp - \frac{1}{\hbar} S_E[q(\tau), \mathbf{R}(\tau)]$$

Euclidean (imaginary time) action of the complete system

$$S_E[q(\tau), \mathbf{R}(\tau)] = \int_0^{\hbar\beta} d\tau \left\{ \frac{1}{2} M \dot{q}^2 + V(q) + \sum_k \left(C_k q R_k + \frac{1}{2} m_k \dot{R}_k^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_k \omega_k^2 R_k^2 \right) \right\}$$

Reduced density operator of the system

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho}(x, y, \beta) &\equiv \int d\mathbf{R} \rho(x, \mathbf{R}; y, \mathbf{R}, \beta) = \\ &= \int_y^x \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \int d\mathbf{R} \int_{\mathbf{R}}^{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{D}\mathbf{R}(\tau) \exp - \frac{1}{\hbar} S_E[q(\tau), \mathbf{R}(\tau)] \end{aligned}$$

Final form

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, y, \beta) = \tilde{\rho}_0(\beta) \int_y^x \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \exp - \frac{1}{\hbar} S_{eff}[q(\tau)]$$

Prefactor

$$\tilde{\rho}_0(\beta) = \prod_k \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{cosech}\left(\frac{\hbar\beta\omega_k}{2}\right)$$

Effective euclidean action

$$S_{eff}[q(\tau)] = \int_0^{\hbar\beta} d\tau \left\{ \frac{1}{2} M \dot{q}^2 + V(q) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\tau' \int_0^{\hbar\beta} d\tau \alpha(\tau - \tau') \{q(\tau) - q(\tau')\}^2$$

Imaginary time kernel

$$\alpha(\tau - \tau') \equiv \sum_k \frac{C_k^2}{4m_k\omega_k} \exp - \omega_k |\tau - \tau'| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega J(\omega) \exp - \omega_k |\tau - \tau'|$$

Ohmic dissipation

$$\alpha(\tau - \tau') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega \eta \omega \exp - \omega_k |\tau - \tau'| = \frac{\eta}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(\tau - \tau')^2}$$

Non-linear model

$$\mathcal{H}_{RI} = \mathcal{H}_R + \mathcal{H}_I(x(t')) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \text{Tr}_R \left(\rho_R U_{RI}^\dagger[y(t')] U_{RI}[x(t')] \right)$$

$$\text{where} \quad i\hbar \frac{dU_{RI}(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{H}_{RI}(t) U_{RI}(t) \quad \longrightarrow \quad U_{RI}(t) = \mathcal{T} \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' \mathcal{H}_{RI}(t')$$

$$\text{In the interaction picture} \quad U_{RI}(t) = e^{-i\mathcal{H}_R t/\hbar} \mathcal{T} \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')]$$

$$\text{where} \quad \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \equiv e^{i\mathcal{H}_R t'/\hbar} \mathcal{H}_I[x(t')] e^{-i\mathcal{H}_R t'/\hbar}$$

$$\mathcal{T} \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \approx 1 - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] - \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')]$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] \approx 1 - \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \left(\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')] \rangle + \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t'')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t')] \rangle - \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')] \rangle - \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t'')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \rangle \right)$$

Reexponentiating:
$$\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \exp -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \left(\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')] \rangle + \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t'')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t')] \rangle - \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')] \rangle - \langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[y(t'')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \rangle \right)$$

where
$$\langle \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t')] \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_I[x(t'')] \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \{ C_{-k}[x(t')] C_k[x(t'')] + C_k[x(t')] C_{-k}[x(t'')] \} \alpha_k(t' - t'')$$

Using that $\langle R_k(t') R_{k'}(t'') \rangle = 0$ except for $k' = -k$ when

$$\alpha_k(t' - t'') \equiv \langle R_k(t') R_{-k}(t'') \rangle$$

$$\alpha_k(t' - t'') = \frac{\hbar}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \text{Im} \chi_k(\omega) \frac{e^{-i\omega(t' - t'')}}{1 - e^{-\omega \hbar \beta}}$$

the influence functional reads

$$\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \exp -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt''$$

$$\times \left\{ \sum_k \kappa_k \kappa_{-k} \alpha_k(t' - t'') [\cos k(x(t') - x(t'')) - \cos k(y(t') - x(t''))] + \right.$$

$$\left. + \sum_k \kappa_k \kappa_{-k} \alpha_k^*(t' - t'') [\cos k(y(t') - y(t'')) - \cos k(y(t'') - x(t'))] \right\}$$

Using that $\text{Im}\chi_k(-\omega) = -\text{Im}\chi_k(\omega)$ we can write

$$\alpha_k(t' - t'') = \alpha_k^{(R)}(t' - t'') + i\alpha_k^{(I)}(t' - t'')$$

where $\alpha_k^{(R)}(t' - t'') = \frac{\hbar}{\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega \text{Im}\chi_k(\omega) \cos \omega(t' - t'') \coth(\hbar\beta\omega/2)$

and $\alpha_k^{(I)}(t' - t'') = -\frac{\hbar}{\pi} \int_0^\infty d\omega \text{Im}\chi_k(\omega) \sin \omega(t' - t'')$

If when $\omega \rightarrow 0$ we use $\text{Im}\chi_k(\omega) \approx f(k)\omega\theta(\Omega - \omega)$

We get

$$\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \exp -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \sum_k \kappa_k \kappa_{-k} \alpha_k^{(R)}(t' - t'') \times$$

$$[\cos k(x(t') - x(t'')) - \cos k(y(t') - x(t'')) + \cos k(y(t') - y(t'')) - \cos k(y(t'') - x(t'))]$$

$$\times \exp \frac{i}{2\hbar} \sum_k \kappa_k \kappa_{-k} f(k) k \int_0^t dt' \sin k(y(t') - x(t')) (\dot{x}(t') + \dot{y}(t'))$$

Linearizing this expression $\mathcal{F}[x(t'), y(t')] = \exp \left\{ \frac{i\eta}{2\hbar} \int_0^t dt' (y(t') - x(t')) (\dot{x}(t') + \dot{y}(t')) - \right.$

$$- \frac{\eta}{\hbar\pi} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' (x(t') - y(t')) (x(t'') - y(t'')) \times$$

$$\left. \times \int_0^\infty d\omega \omega \coth \left(\frac{\hbar\beta\omega}{2} \right) \cos \omega(t' - t'') \right\}$$

$$\eta = \sum_k k^2 \kappa_k \kappa_{-k} f(k)$$

Collision model

Non-interacting particles in 1-D

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{p^2}{2M} + \sum_{i=1}^N U(q_i - q) + \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p_i^2}{2m}$$

Reduced
density
operator

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, y, t) = \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | e^{-i\frac{\mathcal{H}t}{\hbar}} \rho(0) e^{i\frac{\mathcal{H}t}{\hbar}} | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle$$

Translation

$$\mathcal{U} = \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N p_j q$$



$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho}(x, y, t) &= \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \mathcal{U}^{-1} e^{-i\frac{\mathcal{H}'t}{\hbar}} \rho'(0) e^{i\frac{\mathcal{H}'t}{\hbar}} \mathcal{U} | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle = \\ &= \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \mathcal{U}^{-1} \rho'(t) \mathcal{U} | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{H}' = \mathcal{U}\mathcal{H}\mathcal{U}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2M} \left(p - \sum_{j=1}^N p_j \right)^2 + \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{p_j^2}{2m} + U(q_j) \right) \quad \rho'(0) = \mathcal{U}\rho(0)\mathcal{U}^{-1}$$

Inserting identities $\tilde{\rho}(x, y, t) = \int \dots \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N dr_1 dr_2 \dots dr_N$

$$\times \langle r_1, \dots, r_N | e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N p_j(x-y)} | q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \rho'(t) | y, r_1, \dots, r_N \rangle$$

But, as $\langle x^n(t) \rangle = \int dx x^n \tilde{\rho}(x, x, t)$

We have $\langle x^n(t) \rangle = \int \dots \int dx dq_1 \dots dq_N x^n \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \rho'(t) | x, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle$

On the other hand $\langle p(t) \rangle = \int \int dx dy \delta(x - y) \frac{\hbar}{2i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \tilde{\rho}(x, y, t)$

And then $\langle p(t) \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2i} \int \int dx dy \delta(x - y) \int \dots \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N dr_1 dr_2 \dots dr_N$
 $\times \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \left\{ \langle r_1, \dots, r_N | e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N p_j(x-y)} | q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle \right.$
 $\left. \times \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \rho'(t) | y, r_1, \dots, r_N \rangle \right\}$

or

$$\langle p(t) \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2i} \int \dots \int dx dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N$$

$$\times \lim_{x \rightarrow y} \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \rho'(t) | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle \right\}$$

Then, all we need is $\tilde{\rho}'(x, y, t) = \int \dots \int dq_1 dq_2 \dots dq_N \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \rho'(t) | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle$

with $\rho'(0) = \rho_s \rho'_{eq} = \rho_s e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}_R}$

$$\mathcal{H}_R = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{p_j^2}{2m} + U(q_j) \right) \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}' = \frac{1}{2M} \left(p - \sum_{i,j} \hbar g_{ij} a_i^\dagger a_j \right)^2 + \sum_i (\hbar \Omega_i - \mu) a_i^\dagger a_i$$

where $g_{ij} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \langle i | p' | j \rangle$



$$\tilde{\rho}'(x, y, t) = \int dx' \int dy' \mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) \rho_s(x', y', 0)$$

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = \int \dots \int dq_1 \dots dq_N dr_1 \dots dr_N ds_1 \dots ds_N \langle x, q_1, \dots, q_N | \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{H}' t | x', r_1, \dots, r_N \rangle$$

$$\times \langle r_1, \dots, r_N | \exp -\beta \mathcal{H}_R | s_1, \dots, s_N \rangle \langle y', s_1, \dots, s_N | \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{H}' t | y, q_1, \dots, q_N \rangle$$

Path integral
or c-number
representation

$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = \int \dots \int d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\alpha') d\mu(\gamma') \langle x, \alpha | \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{H}' t | x', \alpha' \rangle \\ \times \langle \alpha' | \exp -\beta \mathcal{H}_e | \gamma' \rangle \langle y', \gamma' | \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{H}' t | y, \alpha \rangle$$



$$\mathcal{J}(x, y, t; x', y', 0) = \int_{x'}^x \int_{y'}^y \mathcal{D}x(t') \mathcal{D}y(t') \mathcal{F}[x, y] \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} (S_0[x] - S_0[y])$$

Where $S_0[x] = \int_0^t dt' \frac{1}{2} M \dot{x}^2(t')$ and $\mathcal{F}[x, y] = \int \dots \int d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\alpha') d\mu(\gamma') \rho_R(\alpha'^*, \gamma')$

$$\times \int_{\alpha'}^{\alpha^*} \mathcal{D}\mu(\alpha) \int_{\gamma'^*}^{\alpha} \mathcal{D}\mu(\gamma) \exp \frac{i}{\hbar} (S_{RI}[x, \alpha] - S_{RI}^*[y, \gamma^*])$$

with

$$S_{RI}[x, \alpha] = \int_0^t dt' \left(\frac{i\hbar}{2} \sum_n (\alpha_n^* \dot{\alpha}_n - \alpha_n \dot{\alpha}_n^*) + \dot{x} \sum_{m,n} \hbar g_{mn} \alpha_m^* \alpha_n - \sum_n (\hbar \Omega_n - \mu) \alpha_n^* \alpha_n \right)$$

And $\rho_R(\alpha'^*, \gamma') = \frac{\exp \{ e^{-\beta(\hbar \Omega_n - \mu)} \alpha_n'^* \gamma_n' \}}{Z}$; $Z = \int d\mu(\alpha) \exp \{ e^{-\beta(\hbar \Omega_n - \mu)} |\alpha_n|^2 \}$

This gives $\mathcal{F}[x, y] = [\det(1 \mp \bar{N}\Gamma[x, y])]^{\mp 1}$ with $\bar{N}_{ij} = \delta_{ij}\bar{n}_i$ and

$$\bar{n}_i = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\Omega_i - \mu)} \mp 1}$$

Moreover $\Gamma_{nm}[x, y] = W_{nm}[x] + W_{nm}^*[y] + \sum_k W_{nk}^*[y]W_{km}[x]$

where $W_{nm}[x, \tau] = \int_0^\tau dt' W_{nm}^{(0)}(\dot{x}, t') + \sum_k \int_0^\tau dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' W_{nk}^{(0)}(\dot{x}, t')W_{km}(\dot{x}, t'')$

with $W_{nm}^{(0)}(t') = ig_{nm}\dot{x}(t')e^{i(\Omega_n - \Omega_m)t'}(1 - \delta_{nm})$

Within Born approximation $\mathcal{F}[x, y] = \exp -\frac{i}{\hbar}\Phi_I[x, y] \exp -\frac{1}{\hbar}\Phi_R[x, y]$

$$\Phi_I = \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' (\dot{x}(t') - \dot{y}(t')) \hbar \Gamma_I(t' - t'') (\dot{x}(t'') + \dot{y}(t''))$$

$$\Phi_R = \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' (\dot{x}(t') - \dot{y}(t')) \hbar \Gamma_R(t' - t'') (\dot{x}(t'') - \dot{y}(t''))$$

where
$$\Gamma_R(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} |g_{ij}|^2 (\bar{n}_i + \bar{n}_j \pm 2\bar{n}_i\bar{n}_j) \cos(\Omega_i - \Omega_j)t$$

and
$$\Gamma_I(t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} |g_{ij}|^2 (\bar{n}_i - \bar{n}_j) \sin(\Omega_i - \Omega_j)t$$

Defining the scattering function
$$S(\omega, \omega') = \sum_{i,j} |g_{ij}|^2 \delta(\omega - \Omega_i) \delta(\omega' - \Omega_j)$$

we have

$$\gamma(t) = -\frac{\hbar}{M} \frac{d\Gamma_I(t)}{dt} = -\frac{\hbar}{2M} \int d\omega \int d\omega' S(\omega, \omega') [\bar{n}(\omega) - \bar{n}(\omega')] (\omega - \omega') \cos(\omega - \omega')t$$

$$D(t) = -\hbar \frac{d^2\Gamma_R}{dt^2} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \int d\omega \int d\omega' S(\omega, \omega') [\bar{n}(\omega) + \bar{n}(\omega') \pm 2\bar{n}(\omega)\bar{n}(\omega')] (\omega - \omega')^2 \cos(\omega - \omega')t$$