

Link to Generalized Langevin Equation [nl86]

Define two functions from the $c_k(z)$ introduced in [nl84]:

$$\Sigma(z) \doteq \Delta_1 \frac{c_1(z)}{c_0(z)}, \quad b_k(z) \doteq \frac{c_k(z)}{c_0(z)}. \quad (1)$$

Rewrite algebraic equations (2) for $k = 0$ of [nl84] using $\Sigma(z)$ and $b_k(z)$:

$$zc_0(z) + \Sigma(z)c_0(z) = 1, \quad (2a)$$

$$zc_k(z) + \Sigma(z)c_k(z) = b_k(z), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (2b)$$

Inverse Laplace transforms of these functions then satisfy

$$\dot{C}_0(t) + \int_0^t dt' \tilde{\Sigma}(t-t') C_0(t') = 0, \quad (3a)$$

$$\dot{C}_k(t) + \int_0^t dt' \tilde{\Sigma}(t-t') C_k(t') = B_k(t), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3b)$$

Recall orthogonal expansion (1) in [nl82] of dynamical variable:

$$A(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k(t) |f_k\rangle. \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4) follows generalized Langevin equation [M. H. Lee 1983]:¹

$$\dot{A}(t) + \int_0^{\infty} dt' \tilde{\Sigma}(t-t') A(t') = F(t). \quad (5)$$

Orthogonal expansion of random force:

$$F(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k(t) |f_k\rangle, \quad B_k(0) = \delta_{k,1}. \quad (6)$$

Absence of correlations between dynamical variable and random force:

$$\langle F(t) | A(0) \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k(t) \langle f_k | f_0 \rangle = 0. \quad (7)$$

Fluctuation-dissipation relation between $\tilde{\Sigma}(t)$ (memory function) and $F(t)$:

$$\langle F(t) | F(0) \rangle = B_1(t) \langle f_1 | f_1 \rangle = \Delta_1 B_1(t) \langle f_0 | f_0 \rangle = \tilde{\Sigma}(t) \langle f_0 | f_0 \rangle. \quad (8)$$

¹Lower integration boundary is specific to initial-value problem under consideration.