

### [nex120] Velocity correlation function of Brownian particle III

The generalized Langevin equation for a particle of mass  $m$  constrained to move along a straight line,

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} = - \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \alpha(t-t') v(t') + f(t),$$

is known to produce the following expression for the spectral density of the velocity:

$$S_{vv}(\omega) = \frac{S_{ff}(\omega)}{|\hat{\alpha}(\omega) - i\omega m|^2}, \quad \hat{\alpha}(\omega) \doteq \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \alpha(t), \quad S_{ff}(\omega) = 2k_B T \Re[\hat{\alpha}(\omega)],$$

where the relation between the random-force spectral density,  $S_{ff}(\omega)$ , and the Laplace-transformed attenuation function,  $\hat{\alpha}(\omega)$ , is dictated by the fluctuation-dissipation theorem.

The special case of Brownian motion (see [nex55], [nex119]) uses attenuation without memory:  $\alpha(t-t') = 2\gamma\delta(t-t')\theta(t-t')$ . Calculate the velocity correlation function,  $\langle v(t)v(t') \rangle$ , of the Brownian particle in thermal equilibrium from the above expression for  $S_{vv}(\omega)$  via contour integration in the plane of complex  $\omega$ .

**Solution:**