

Kinetic approach

(in the case of mechanics)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m \frac{dv_x}{dt} = F_x(x(t), y(t), z(t), v_x(t), v_y(t), v_z(t), t) \\ m \frac{dv_y}{dt} = F_y(x(t), y(t), z(t), v_x(t), v_y(t), v_z(t), t) \\ m \frac{dv_z}{dt} = F_z(x(t), y(t), z(t), v_x(t), v_y(t), v_z(t), t) \end{array} \right. , \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx}{dt} = v_x(t) \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = v_y(t) \\ \frac{dz}{dt} = v_z(t) \end{array} \right. \quad \times N \text{ (number of particles)}$$

... 6N ordinary differential equations
+ Maxwell's equations

Fluid approach

(in the case of magnetohydrodynamics)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) &= 0 \quad \dots \text{ for } \rho \\ \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \right) &= -\nabla p + \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{F} \quad \dots \text{ for } v_x, v_y, v_z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{p}{\gamma - 1} \right) + \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{p}{\gamma - 1} \mathbf{v} \right) &= -\rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot (\kappa_c \nabla T) + \frac{j^2}{\sigma} \quad \dots \text{ for } P \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} &= \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} - \eta_{diff} \nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \quad \dots \text{ for } B_x, B_y, B_z \end{aligned}$$

... 8 partial differential equations
(+ equation of state)

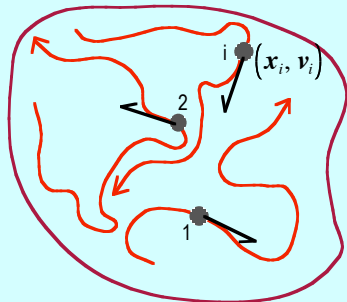
Because of local charge neutrality $\rho_c \sim 0$, Coulombic electric field does not exist globally (but electric field associated with time-varying magnetic field globally exists).

Since electric current globally exists while keeping the local charge neutrality, magnetic field globally exists.

Three types of dynamic systems (depend on total number of particles N)

I. Small N system (discrete system) => Mechanical equation

fundamental object... **particle**
(kinetic approach)



Focus on **Position and Velocity of every particle**: $x_i(t), v_i(t)$

Solve **Mechanical equation** with one independent variable (**time**) for all particles.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_i}{dt} = v_i \\ m_i \frac{dv_i}{dt} = F_i \end{cases} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$$

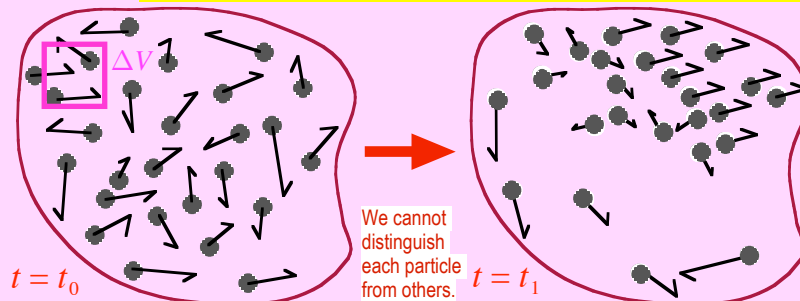
=> Derive **evolutionary path of every particle**
... the most complete solution

We can distinguish each particle from others.

II. Intermediate N system (discrete system*) => Boltzmann's equation

fundamental object... **particle**
(kinetic approach)

*Sufficient number of particles exist in every local region ΔV to determine particle distribution everywhere.



Focus on **Particle Distribution**: $f(x, v, t)$

(Give up deriving the evolutionary path of every particle

=> derive **evolution of particle distribution**)

Solve **Boltzmann's equation** with seven independent variables (**position, velocity, time**) for particle distribution.

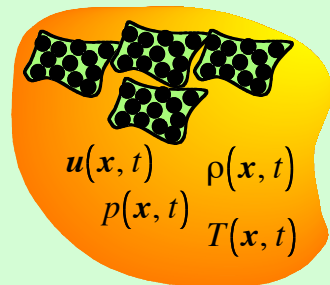
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} + \frac{\mathbf{F}}{m} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = \left(\frac{\delta f}{\delta t} \right)_c$$

We cannot distinguish each particle from others.

III. Large N system (continuous system*) => Fluid dynamics equations

fundamental object... **fluid element**
(fluid approach)

*Sufficient number of particles exist in each fluid element and keep staying in it.



Use **continuum approximation**: fluid elements fill up the entire volume of system => particle-based field: ρ, u, P, T

Derive **Thermal & Dynamic evolution of every fluid element**: $\rho(x, t), \mathbf{u}(x, t), T(x, t), p(x, t)$

Take average of **Boltzmann's equation** using **Maxwellian distribution function** to derive **Fluid dynamics equations**.

Solve **Fluid dynamics equations** with four independent variables (**position, time**) for all fluid elements.