Functional Renormalization Group Analysis of Driven Disordered Systems

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Introduction

FRG formalism for disordered systems

Competition between interactions and fluctuations



Phase transitions and critical phenomena in pure systems Crystals, Ferromagnets, BEC, Superconductors, Liquid crystals,...



Phase transitions and critical phenomena in disordered systems

Field theoretical formalism for disordered systems

✓ Hamiltonian of a disordered system: $H[\phi; h]$ (h(r): disorder)

✓ Partition function and free energy

$$Z[J;h] \coloneqq \int \mathcal{D}\phi \exp(-H[\phi;h] + J \cdot \phi)$$

$$\Rightarrow W[J;h] \coloneqq \ln Z[J;h]$$

✓ Connected and disconnected Green functions

$$G_{c}(r_{1}, r_{2}) \coloneqq \overline{\langle \phi(r_{1})\phi(r_{2})\rangle_{h} - \langle \phi(r_{1})\rangle_{h}\langle \phi(r_{2})\rangle_{h}} = \frac{\delta^{2}W[J;h]}{\delta J(r_{1})\delta J(r_{2})}$$

$$G_{d}(r_{1}, r_{2}) \coloneqq \overline{\langle \phi(r_{1})\rangle_{h}\langle \phi(r_{2})\rangle_{h}} - \overline{\langle \phi(r_{1})\rangle_{h}} \overline{\langle \phi(r_{2})\rangle_{h}}$$

$$= \frac{\overline{\delta W[J;h]}}{\delta J(r_{1})} \frac{\delta W[J;h]}{\delta J(r_{2})} - \frac{\overline{\delta W[J;h]}}{\delta J(r_{1})} \frac{\overline{\delta W[J;h]}}{\delta J(r_{1})}$$

$$What we want to calculate$$

 $\int J \cdot \phi \coloneqq \int J(r)\phi(r)dr$

 $0.0 \times 1 \times 1 \times 1$

Replica field theory

It is difficult to calculate $\overline{W[J;h]} = \overline{\ln Z[J;h]}$.

- \Rightarrow Introduce *n* replicas of the system with the same disorder
- ✓ Replicated fields and sources: $\{\phi_a\}_{a=1,...,n}$ and $\{J_a\}_{a=1,...,n}$

✓ Replicated partition function and free energy

$$Z[\{J_a\}] \coloneqq \prod_{a=1}^{n} Z[J_a;h] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi_a \exp\left(-\sum_a H[\phi_a;h] + J_a \cdot \phi_a\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow W[\{J_a\}] \coloneqq \ln Z[\{J_a\}]$$

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✓ Replicated effective action

$$\Gamma[\{\psi_a\}] = -W[\{J_a\}] + J_a \cdot \psi_a, \qquad \psi_a = \langle \phi_a \rangle = \frac{\delta W[\{J_a\}]}{\delta J_a}$$

This disorder average can be easily calculated.

Replica field theory

✓ Cumulant expansion of effective action

$$\Gamma[\{\psi_a\}] = \sum_{a} \Gamma_1[\psi_a] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b} \Gamma_2[\psi_a, \psi_b] + \cdots$$

$$\Gamma_1[\psi_a] = \overline{\Gamma[\psi_a]}$$

$$\Gamma_2[\psi_a, \psi_b] = \overline{\Gamma[\psi_a]}\Gamma[\psi_b] - \overline{\Gamma[\psi_a]} \overline{\Gamma[\psi_b]}$$
✓ Connected and disconnected Green functions

$$G_c(r_1, r_2) = \left(\frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_1[\psi]}{\delta \psi \delta \psi}\right)_{r_1, r_2}^{-1}$$

$$G_d(r_1, r_2) = \int_{r_3, r_4} G_c(r_1, r_3) \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_2[\psi_a, \psi_b]}{\delta \psi_a(r_3) \delta \psi_b(r_4)} G_c(r_4, r_2)$$

What we need to calculate is $\Gamma_1[\psi_a]$ and $\Gamma_2[\psi_a, \psi_b]$.

FRG formalism with replica

✓ Scale-dependent mass term

$$\Delta H_{k}[\{\phi_{a}\}] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a} \int dq \ R_{k}(q)\phi_{a}(q)\phi_{a}(-q)$$

$$\Rightarrow Z_{k}[\{J_{a}\}] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi_{a} \exp(\dots - \Delta H_{k}[\{\phi_{a}\}])$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}] = -\ln Z_{k}[\{J_{a}\}] + J_{a} \cdot \psi_{a} - \Delta H_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}]$$

$$\checkmark \text{ Exact flow equation for } \Gamma_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}]$$

$$\partial_{k}\Gamma_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}] = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \left(\partial_{k}R_{k} \left[\frac{\partial^{2}\Gamma_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}]}{\partial\psi_{a}\partial\psi_{b}} + R_{k}\right]^{-1}\right)$$

Note: $[\cdots]^{-1}$ involves the inversion of $n \times n$ matrix for the replica index.



FRG formalism with replica

✓ Cumulant expansion of scale-dependent effective action

$$\Gamma_{k}[\{\psi_{a}\}] = \sum_{a} \Gamma_{1,k}[\psi_{a}] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b} \Gamma_{2,k}[\psi_{a},\psi_{b}] + \frac{1}{3!} \sum_{a,b,c} \Gamma_{3,k}[\psi_{a},\psi_{b},\psi_{c}] - \cdots$$

✓ Hierarchy of exact flow equations

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 $\partial_k \Gamma_{1,k}[\psi] = (\text{derivatives of } \Gamma_{1,k}[\psi], \Gamma_{2,k}[\psi_a, \psi_b])$

 $\partial_k \Gamma_{2,k}[\psi_a, \psi_b] = (\text{derivatives of } \Gamma_{1,k}[\psi], \Gamma_{2,k}[\psi_a, \psi_b], \Gamma_{3,k}[\psi_a, \psi_b, \psi_c])$

Note: To truncate the hierarchy, it is often assumed that $\Gamma_{3,k} = \Gamma_{4,k} = \cdots = 0$.

See [G. Tarjus and M. Tissier, PRB 78 024203 (2008)] for details

Nonequilibrium systems

✓ What happens when a disordered system is driven out of equilibrium?



Too complicated for theoretical analysis \Rightarrow Introduction of a toy model

Model Driven random manifold

Elastic manifold in random potential at equilibrium

✓ Displacement field:
$$\phi = (\phi^1, ..., \phi^N)$$

✓ Hamiltonian:
 $H_{RM}[\phi; V] = \int dr \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi(r)|^2 + V(r; \phi(r)) \right]$
Elastic energy Random potential
✓ Random force:

$$F^{\alpha}(r;\phi) \coloneqq -\partial_{\phi}{}^{\alpha}V(r;\phi)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \overline{F^{\alpha}(r;\phi)} = 0 & \text{Disorder correlator} \\ \overline{F^{\alpha}(r;\phi)}F^{\beta}(r';\phi') = \Delta^{\alpha\beta}(\phi - \phi')\delta(r - r') \\ \Delta^{\alpha\beta}(\phi) : \text{short-range function} (\sim e^{-O(\phi)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varphi = \left(\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\$$

P. Le Doussal et al., PRE 69, 026112 (2004)

Elastic manifold in random potential at equilibrium





Dimensional reduction and its failure

✓ Dimensional reduction

Naïve perturbation theory predicts the equivalence between

D-dim. disordered system & (D - 2)-dim. system without disorder

A. P. Young, J. Phys. C 10, L257 (1977); G. Parisi and N. Sourlas, PRL 43 744 (1979)



 \Rightarrow Contradicts experimental and numerical values of ζ_{eq}

Naïve perturbation theory fails to capture a complex energy landscape.

M. Mézard and G. Parisi, J. Phys. I (Paris) 1, 809 (1991)

Driven random manifold

✓ Langevin dynamics:

$$\partial_t \phi = -\frac{\delta H_{\rm RM}[\phi; V]}{\delta \phi} + F_{\rm NP}[\phi] + \xi$$

✓ Conditions for $F_{\rm NP}[\phi]$:

- 1. Non-potential: $F_{\rm NP}[\phi] \neq -\delta U[\phi]/\delta \phi$
- 2. O(N) symmetry: $F_{NP}[\mathcal{R}(\phi)] = \mathcal{R}(F_{NP}[\phi])$

Rotation

3. Linearity: $F_{\rm NP}[c\phi] = cF_{\rm NP}[\phi]$

✓ Simplest choice:

 $F_{\rm NP}[\phi] = -v\partial_x\phi$ (convection term)



Results

Zero-temperature cases T. H., J. Stat. Mech. (2019) 073301 T. H., Phys. Rev. B 96, 184202 (2017) T. H., Phys. Rev. E 98, 032122 (2018)

Dimensional reduction for driven disordered system

Steady state equation: $v\partial_x \phi^\alpha = \nabla^2 \phi^\alpha + F^\alpha(r; \phi)$

 $= \partial_x^2 \phi^\alpha \ll v \partial_x \phi^\alpha$ in the large-scale Omitting $\partial_{\gamma}^2 \phi^{\alpha} \Rightarrow v \partial_{\gamma} \phi^{\alpha} = \nabla_{\perp}^2 \phi^{\alpha} + F^{\alpha}(r; \phi)$

- spatial coordinate $x \rightarrow$ "time" τ random force $F^{\alpha} \rightarrow$ "thermal noise" η^{α}

 $v\partial_{\tau}\phi^{\alpha}(\tau,r_{\perp}) = \nabla^{2}_{\perp}\phi^{\alpha}(\tau,r_{\perp}) + \eta^{\alpha}(\tau,r_{\perp})$ $\langle \eta^{\alpha}(\tau, r_{\perp})\eta^{\beta}(\tau', r_{\perp}')\rangle = \Delta(0)\delta(\tau - \tau')\delta(r_{\perp} - r_{\perp}')$



- \Rightarrow Dynamics of (D-1)-dim. manifold with temperature $T_{eff} = \Delta(0)/2v$
- \Rightarrow Roughness exponent: $\zeta_{\perp,DR} = (3 D)/2$, $\zeta_{\parallel,DR} = (3 D)/4$

Breakdown of the dimensional reduction



Non-analyticity of disorder correlator \Rightarrow Metastability of zero-temp. states Equilibrium cases: L. Balents et al., J. Phys. I (Paris) 6 1007 (1996)

Renormalized disorder correlator



- The breakdown of the DR is weaker than the equilibrium case.
- The DR recovers for N = 1, despite of a cuspy behavior of $\tilde{\Delta}_*^{\alpha\beta}(\phi)$.

Driven random field XY model

- ✓ Two-component field: $\Phi = (\Phi^1, \Phi^2)$
- ✓ Hamiltonian:

$$H[\Phi] = \int dr \left[\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \Phi|^2 + U(|\Phi|) - h \cdot \Phi \right]$$

- ✓ Potential: $U(|\Phi|) = \frac{\kappa}{2}(|\Phi| 1)^2$
- ✓ Random field: $h(r) = (h^1(r), h^2(r))$
 - $\Rightarrow \overline{h^{\alpha}(r)h^{\beta}(r')} = h_0^2 \delta^{\alpha\beta} \delta(r-r')$
- ✓ Dynamics:

$$\partial_t \Phi^{\alpha} + v \partial_x \Phi^{\alpha} = -\frac{\delta H[\Phi]}{\delta \Phi^{\alpha}} + \xi^{\alpha}$$

Example: Liquid crystal flowing in a porous medium

- Irregular surface of a porous medium ⇒ Disorder
- Flow sustained by a pressure gradient ⇒ Driving



Spin-wave approximation of DRFXYM

✓ Phase variable: $\Phi = (\Phi^1, \Phi^2) = (\cos \phi, \sin \phi)$

✓ Hamiltonian:

$$H[\phi] = \int dr \left[\frac{1}{2}|\nabla\phi|^2 - h^1\cos\phi - h^2\sin\phi\right]$$



✓ Dynamics:

 $\partial_t \phi(r) + v \partial_x \phi(r) = \nabla^2 \phi(r) + F(r;\phi) + \xi(r,t)$

✓ Random force: $F(r; \phi) = -h^1 \sin \phi + h^2 \cos \phi$

 $\Rightarrow \overline{F(r;\phi)F(r';\phi')} = h_0^2 \cos(\phi - \phi')\delta(r - r')$

Driven random manifold (N = 1) with a periodic disorder correlator

Berezinskii-Kosterlitz-Thouless transition

✓ 2D system with U(1) symmetry (XY spin, superfluid film, ...)



BKT transition in 3D DRFXYM

Note: For N = 1, the DR is applicable for the driven random manifold.

 \Rightarrow 3D driven random manifold = 2D pure manifold with $T_{\rm eff} = h_0^2/2v$

Spin-wave approximation

3D driven random field XY model = 2D XY model with $T_{\rm eff} = h_0^2/2v$

For weak disorder, the 3D DRFXYM exhibits quasi-long-range order:

 $G_d(r_1, r_2) \coloneqq \overline{\Phi(r_1)\Phi(r_2)} - \overline{\Phi(r_1)} \ \overline{\Phi(r_2)} \sim |r_1 - r_2|^{-\eta(\Delta, v)}$

 $\eta(\Delta, v)$: Anomalous exponent depending on disorder Δ and velocity v

For strong disorder, the BKT transition to disordered phase occurs?

Helicity modulus in 2D XY model

✓ Helicity modulus (2D case)
 Twist force at boundary:

 $f(\theta_0) = L \left\langle \sin(\theta_{i+1,j} - \theta_{i,j}) \right\rangle$ Helicity modulus: $\gamma = \lim_{\theta_0 \to 0} f(\theta_0) / \theta_0$



✓ Discontinuity of γ at BKT transition $\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \gamma(T_{c} - \epsilon) = \gamma_{c}, \quad \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \gamma(T_{c} + \epsilon) = 0$ Universal jump: $\frac{T_{c}}{\gamma_{c}} = \frac{\pi}{2}$



Helicity modulus in 3D-DRFXYM

✓ Helicity modulus (3D case)
 Twist force at boundary:

$$f(\theta_0) = L \sin\left(\theta_{i_x, i_y, i_z+1} - \theta_{i_x, i_y, i_z}\right)$$

Helicity modulus: $\gamma = \lim_{\theta_0 \to 0} f(\theta_0)/\theta_0$



✓ Discontinuity of γ at 3D BKT transition Replacement: $T \rightarrow T_{eff} = h_0^2/2v$ Universal jump: $\frac{h_{0,c}^2}{\gamma_c v} = \pi$



Numerical results (tentative)

✓ Helicity modulus for velocity v = 2



✓ Jump of helicity modulus

Vortex dissociation picture

- ✓ 2D pure XY model
- QLRO phase (Low temperature)

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- ✓ 3D-DRFXYM
- QLRO phase (Weak disorder)





 Disordered phase (high temperature)



 Disordered phase (Strong disorder)





Results

Finite-temperature cases Unpublished

Diffusion effect by thermal fluctuations

Thermal fluctuations \Rightarrow Diffusion between meta-stable states

 \Rightarrow Smoothing out the cusp of disorder correlator $\Delta(\phi)$



✓ RG equation at finite T: $\partial_l \Delta(\phi) = T \partial_l^2 \Delta(\phi) + [\text{zero } T \text{ terms}]$

Diffusion due to thermal fluctuations

Heating effect by nonequilibrium driving

- ✓ Renormalization of temperature T
- Equilibrium case

 $\partial_l T_l = -(D - 2 + 2\zeta)T_l$

⇒ No temperature renormalization, except for trivial rescaling

Consequence of the time-reversal symmetry L. Canet et al., J. Phys. A 44, 495001 (2011)

- ⇒ Temperature is irrelevant.
- ⇒ Thermal fluctuations do not affect the large-scale behavior.

- Nonequilibrium case
- $\partial_l T_l = -(D-2+2\zeta_\perp)T_l + O(T_l \nu^2 \Delta)$
- ⇒ Temperature renormalization by nonequilibrium driving

Combination of disorder and driving ⇒ Heating L. Balents et al., PRB 57, 7705 (1998)

- ⇒ Temperature becomes relevant.
- ⇒ Thermal fluctuations can change the large-scale behavior.

Roughness exponent

✓ Transverse exponent ζ_{\perp} at D = 2



 \checkmark Longitudinal exponent ζ_{\parallel} at $D\,=\,1$



Crossover from finite to zero temperature

 $\checkmark \zeta_{\perp,l}(T_0)$: Scale-dependent exponent with the bare temperature $T_{l=0} = T_0$



 $\Rightarrow \zeta_{\perp,l}(0) \neq \lim_{T_0 \to 0} \zeta_{\perp,l}(T_0) \text{ for } l > l_L \quad (l_L: \text{ scale at which } \Delta(\phi) \text{ develops a cusp })$

Crossover of RG flow in disorder-temperature space



Rapid increase of T_l at $l = l_L$ ("temperature explosion") \Rightarrow Zero-T FP is not accessible in the limit $T_0 \rightarrow 0$!

Numerical simulation for N = D = 1 (tentative)

✓ Simulated annealing



✓ Question: $\zeta_{SA} = \zeta_{\perp,zero}$ or $\zeta_{\perp,finite}$?



Summary

✓ Zero temperature case

• Dimensional reduction:

D-dim. driven disordered system at T = 0 \cong (D - 1)-dim. pure system at $T \neq 0$

- To what extent does the DR fail? \Rightarrow Non-analyticity of renormalized disorder
- BKT transition in 3D driven random field XY model

✓ Finite temperature case

- Heating effect by nonequilibrium driving ⇒ Importance of temperature
- Anomalous crossover from finite- to zero-temperature RG flow
 ⇒ The zero-T scaling is not observable in the real world?

Appendix

Dynamical formulation of FRG

✓ Langevin dynamics:

$$\partial_{t}\phi = f(\phi) + \xi, \qquad \langle \xi(r,t)\xi(r',t')\rangle = 2T\delta(r-r')\delta(t-t')$$

$$\Rightarrow Z[J,\hat{J}] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \mathcal{D}\hat{\phi} \exp\left(-S[\phi,i\hat{\phi}] + J \cdot \phi + \hat{J} \cdot i\hat{\phi}\right)$$

$$S[\phi,i\hat{\phi}] = \int drdt \left[i\hat{\phi}\{\partial_{t}\phi - f(\phi)\} - T(i\hat{\phi})^{2}\right]$$

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✓ Scale-dependent mass term:

$$\Delta S_k[\phi, i\hat{\phi}] = \frac{1}{2} \int dq d\omega \, R_k(q) i\hat{\phi}(q, \omega) \phi(-q, -\omega)$$

 \Rightarrow Scale-dependent effective action: $\Gamma_k[\psi, i\hat{\psi}]$

See [L. Canet et al., J. Phys. A 44, 495001 (2011)] for details

$$\psi = \frac{\delta \ln Z_k[J, \hat{J}]}{\delta J}$$
$$i\hat{\psi} = \frac{\delta \ln Z_k[J, \hat{J}]}{\delta \hat{J}}$$