Non-Markovian Counting Processes

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- Other countable quantities (Flow Cytometry,...)

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L.S. Levitov and G. B. Lesovik, JETP Lett. '93 "Quantum Noise" Ed. Yu. Nazarov '03



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C. Flindt, A.B. et al., PRL (2008)

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Mac Donald formula

$$S_{II}(\omega) = \omega \int_0^\infty dt \sin(\omega t) \frac{d}{dt} \langle\!\langle n \rangle\!\rangle_2(t)$$

Laplace domain

$$S_{II}(\omega) = -\frac{\omega^2}{2} \left[\langle\!\langle n \rangle\!\rangle_2 (z = i\omega) + (\omega \to -\omega) \right]$$

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 20 yrs of quantum transport

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n = 2 and m = 1 → k = 0
 First order noise doesn't require any Non-Markovian
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S. Hershfield et al. PRB 1993, A. N. Korotkov PRB 1994
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■ n = 2 and $m \longrightarrow k = 1$ Second order noise requires Non-Markovian corrections! Thielmann *et al.* PRL 2005

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First order non-Markovian GME can be written as a Markovian GME

Two step problem:

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 - 2. Solve $S(\chi) \lambda_0(\chi, S(\chi)) = 0$ at a given *n*-order in $\chi \Rightarrow$ Cumulants $\langle\!\langle I \rangle\!\rangle_n$
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Weak responding limit

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And changing the bath spectral density?

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 τ_m Mean memory time!



Classical intuition fails ! A.B., et al. Physica E '08

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Cumulants from Recursive scheme



Universal oscillations of high order cumulants C. Flindt et al.

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Finite frequency noise



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