

# Force on Brownian Objects in Non-Equilibrium Steady States

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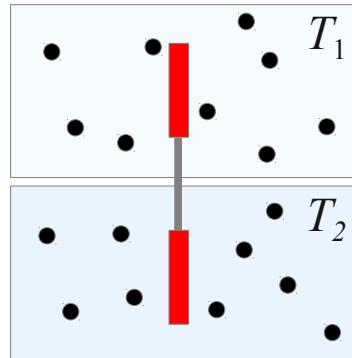
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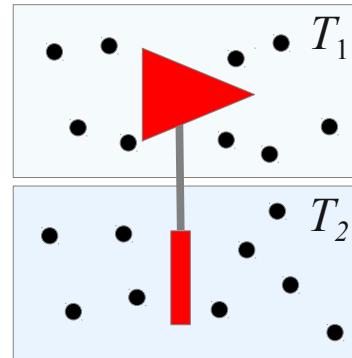
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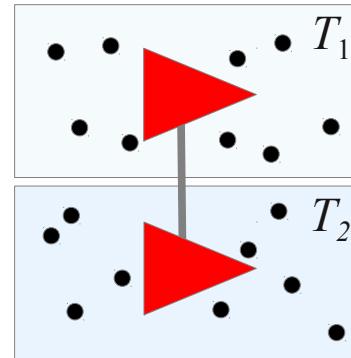
# Brownian Motors



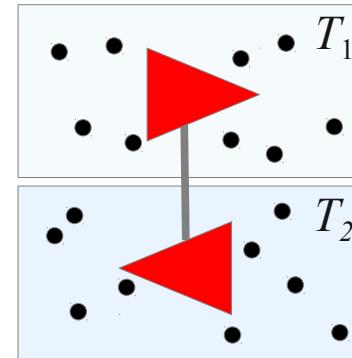
$$\langle V \rangle = 0$$



$$\begin{array}{ll} \langle V \rangle < 0 & (T_1 > T_2) \\ \langle V \rangle > 0 & (T_1 < T_2) \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{ll} \langle V \rangle > 0 & (T_1 \neq T_2) \end{array}$$



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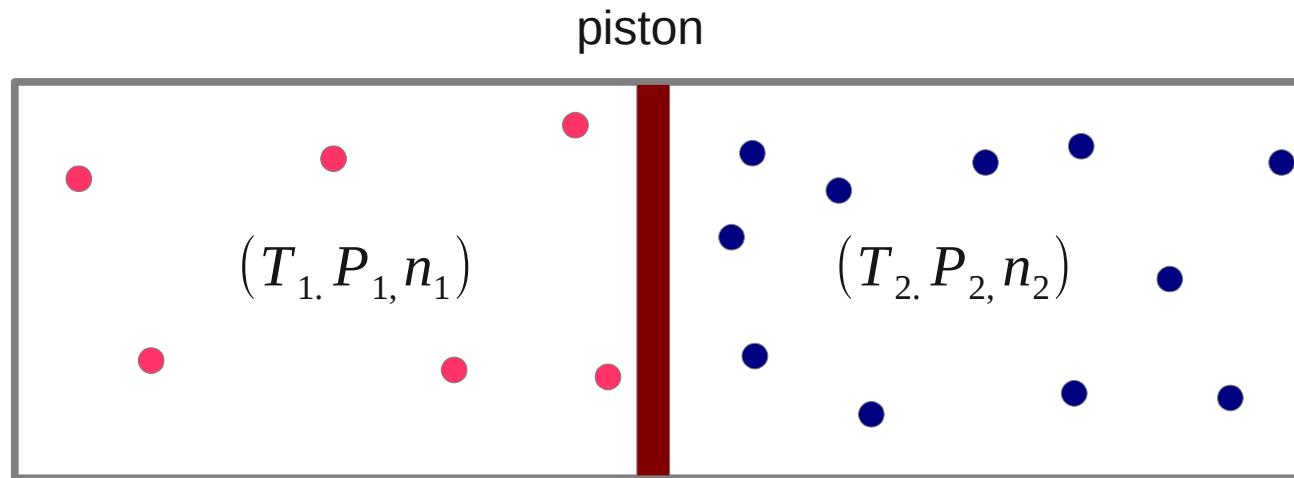
- Boltzmann-Master Equation (lengthy calculation)
- Molecular Dynamics Simulation

Intuitive Explanation?

Van den Broeck and Kawai, Phys. Rev. Lett. **93** (2004), 090601

Van den Broeck, Meurs, and Kawai, New J. Phys. **7** (2005), 10

# Adiabatic Piston



$$P_1 = P_2, \quad T_1 > T_2, \quad n_1 < n_2$$

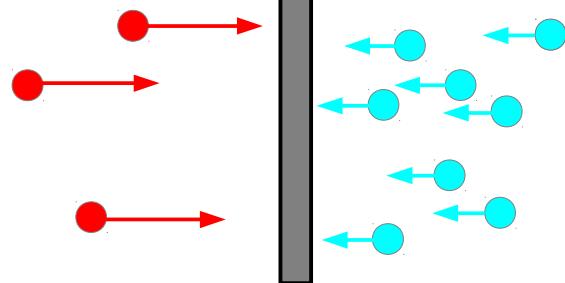
Does the piston move?  $\rightarrow$  Yes, it does.

In which direction?  $\rightarrow$  Toward the higher temperature.

Intuitive Explanation?  
Any Relation with the Brownian Motors?

# What symmetry is Broken?

$$P_L = P_R \quad T_L > T_R \quad \rho_L < \rho_R$$

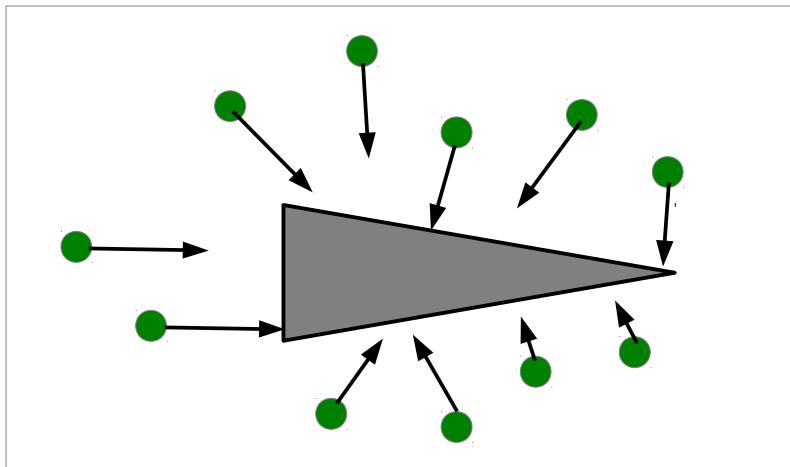


Large  
Fluctuation

$$\langle F_L \rangle = \langle F_R \rangle$$

Small  
Fluctuation

- Temperature
- Density
- Geometric Shape
- **Fluctuation**



Utilizing the Fluctuation Asymmetry

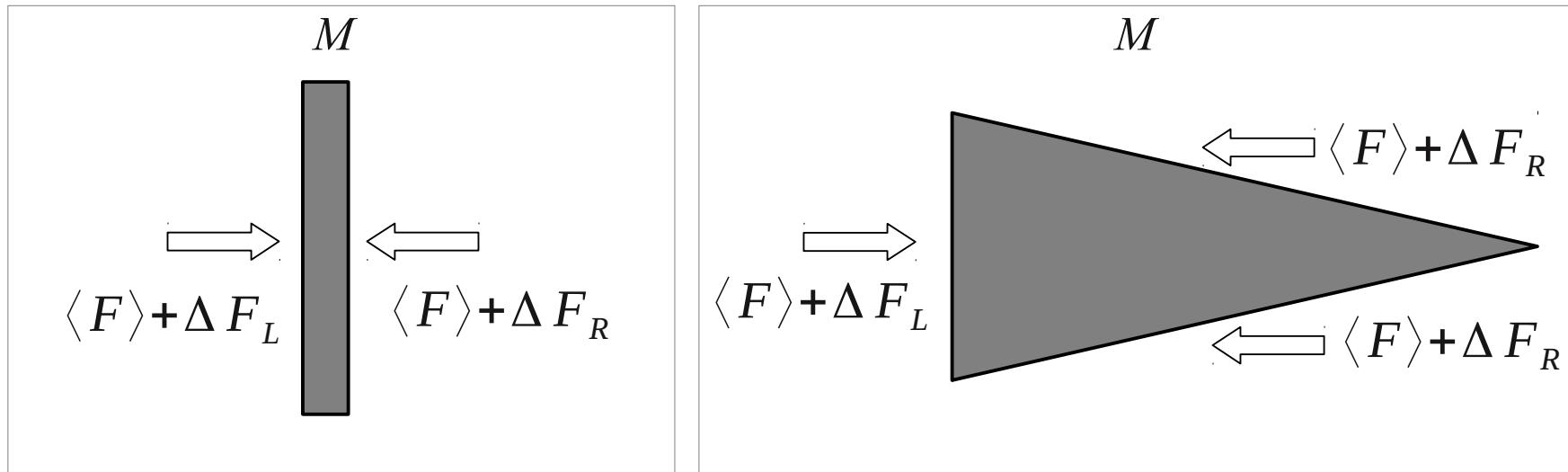
Time Scale  $\longrightarrow \frac{m}{M}$

Breaking  
Detailed  
Balance  $\longrightarrow$  Dissipation

# Can Langevin theory explain these motions?

- Langevin Theory  $\rightarrow o\left(\frac{m}{M}\right)$   $m$ =mass of gas particles  
 $M$ =mass of Brownian objects
- Brownian Motors  
Adiabatic Piston  $\rightarrow o\left(\left[\frac{m}{M}\right]^2\right)$
- Non-Linear Langevin Theory  $\rightarrow$  As complicated as other methods  
and not very intuitive.  
For adiabatic piston,  
Plyukhin and Schofield, Phys. Rev. E **69** (2004), 021112

# What is Missing in Linear Langevin Theory



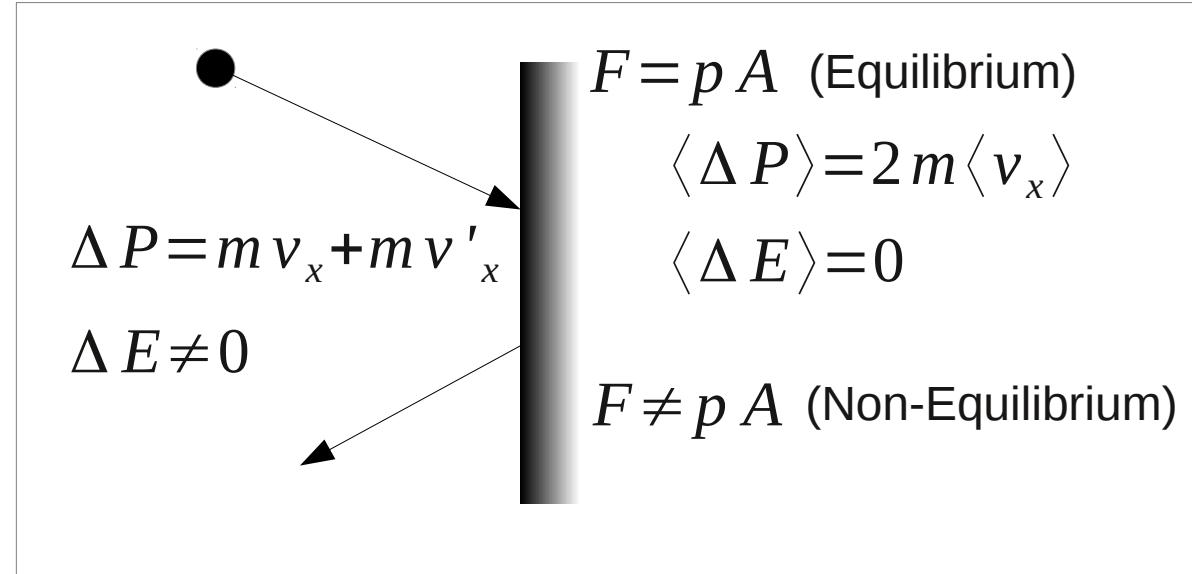
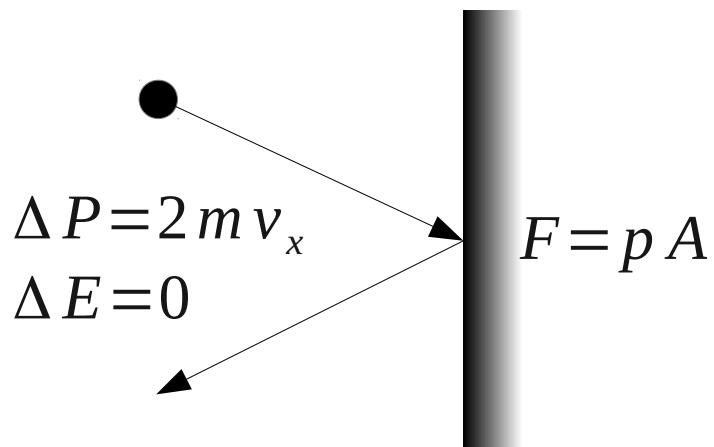
$$M \frac{dV}{dt} = -\gamma V + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t) \quad (D = \gamma k T)$$

Energy:  $d\langle Q \rangle = \langle (-\gamma V + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t)) \circ dX(t) \rangle$  😊

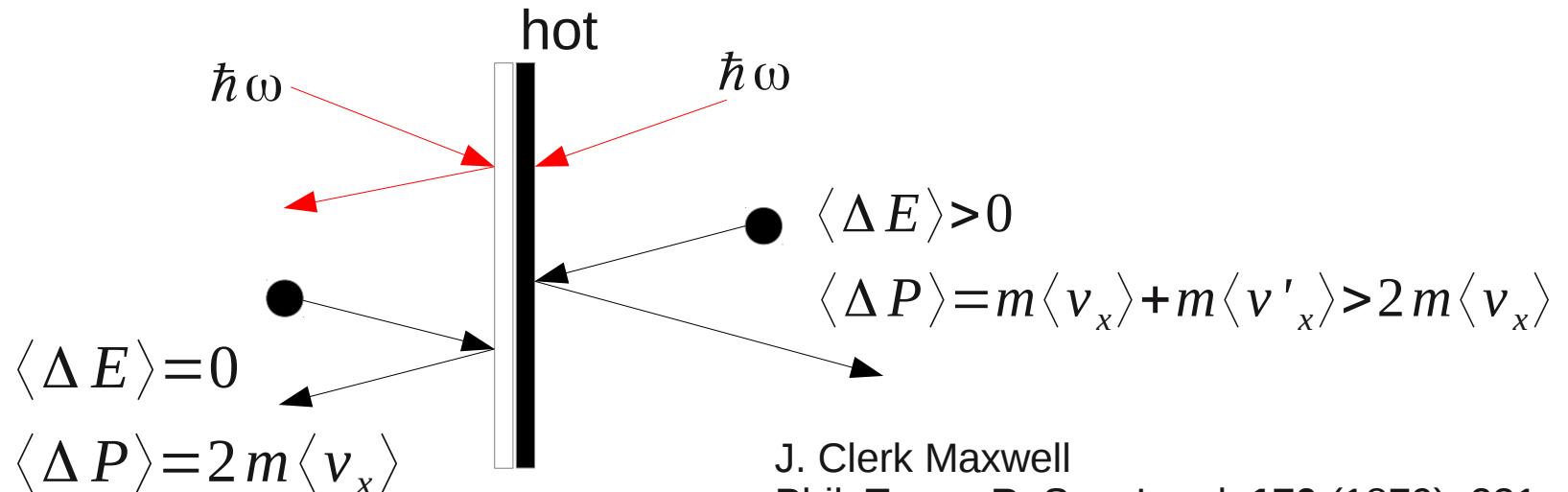
Momentum:  $d\langle P \rangle = \langle (-\gamma V + \sqrt{2D} \xi(t)) dt \rangle = -\gamma \langle V \rangle dt$  😞

Asymmetry is not dictated in the linear Langevin theory

# Pressure\*Area ≠ Force on Wall



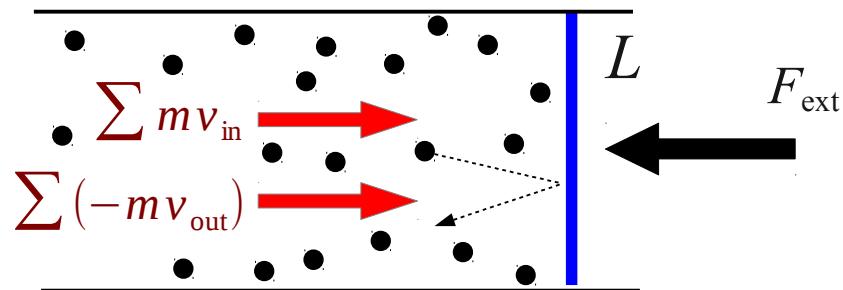
radiometer



J. Clerk Maxwell  
Phil. Trans. R. Soc. Lond. **170** (1879), 231

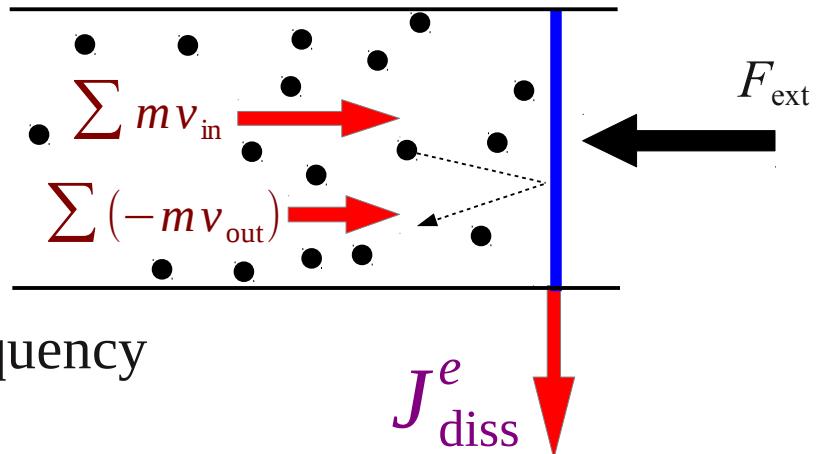
# Momentum Deficit due to Dissipation

(a) Equilibrium



$\omega_{\text{col}} = \text{collision frequency}$

(b) Non-equilibrium



$$-F = (m v_{\text{th}} + m|v'|) \omega_{\text{col}} = (2m v_{\text{th}} + m|v'| - m v_{\text{th}}) \omega_{\text{col}} = p L + F_{\text{MDD}}$$

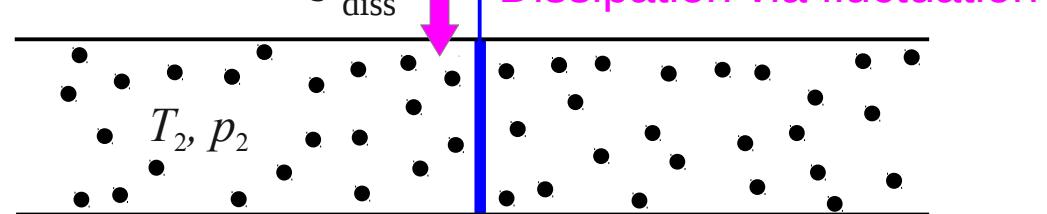
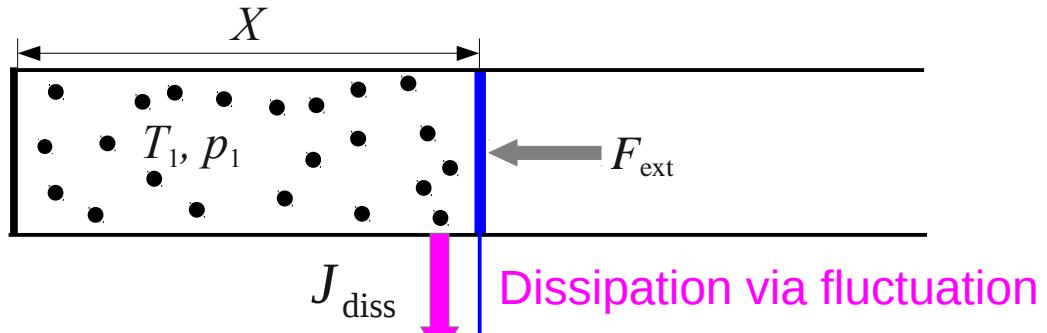
$$F_{\text{MDD}} = (m|v'| - m v_{\text{th}}) \omega_{\text{col}} \quad p L = 2m v_{\text{th}} \omega_{\text{col}}$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} m v_{\text{th}}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m|v'|^2 \right) \omega_{\text{col}} = J_{\text{diss}} \xrightarrow{v_{\text{th}} \sim |v|} (m v_{\text{th}} - m|v'|) \omega_{\text{col}} \approx \frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th}}}$$

$$F_{\text{MDD}} \approx -\frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th}}} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Hard disk gas}}$$

$$F_{\text{MDD}} = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th}}}$$

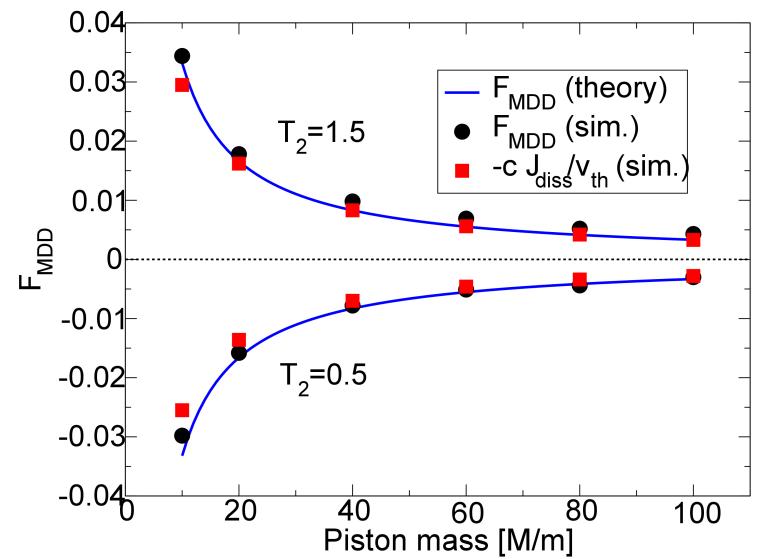
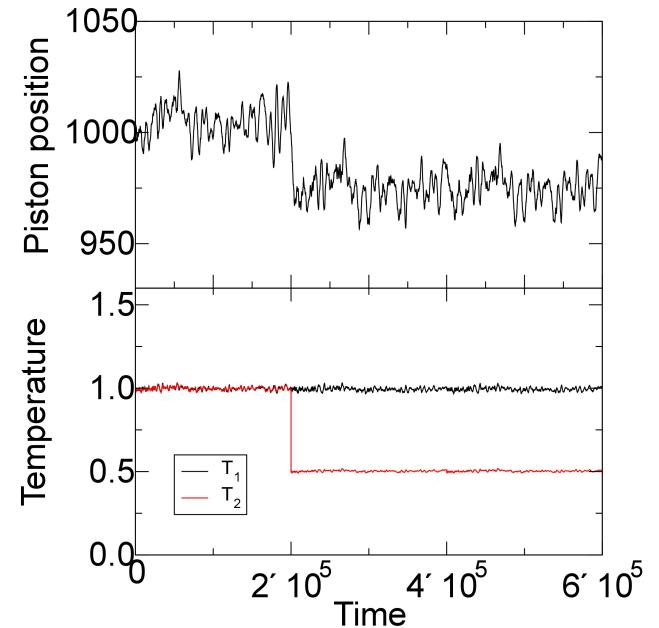
# Simple Model 1: Shared Brownian Piston



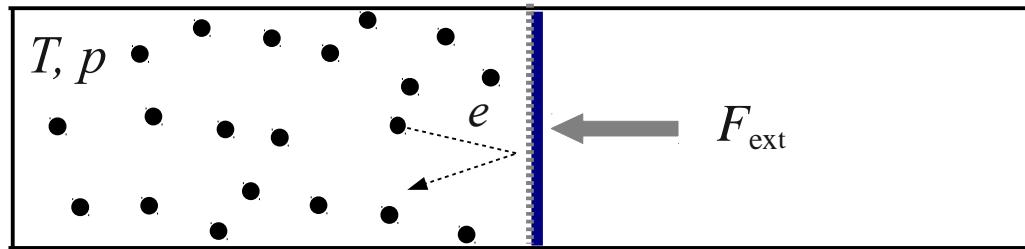
$$F_{\text{MDD}} = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th}}}$$

Langevin Theory:  $J_{\text{diss}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{k T_1 - k T_2}{M (\gamma_1^{-1} + \gamma_2^{-1})}$

$$\frac{F_{\text{MDD}}}{L} = -\frac{2\rho_1\rho_2}{\rho_1+2\rho_2} \frac{m}{M} (k T_1 - k T_2)$$



# Simple Model 2: Inelastic Brownian Piston



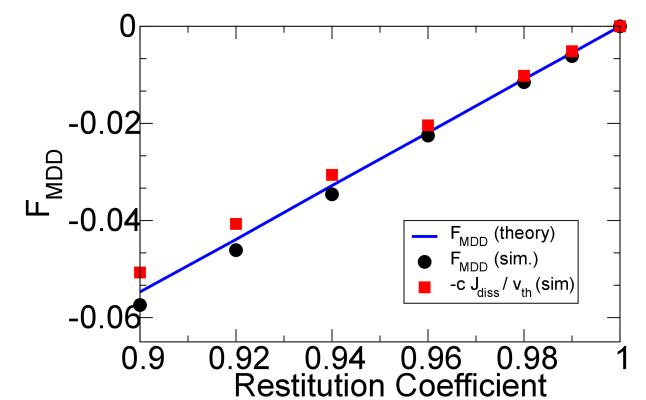
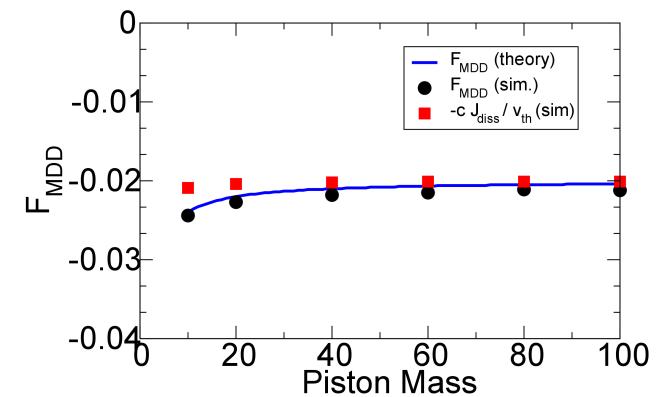
$e$ =restitution coefficient

House keeping dissipation

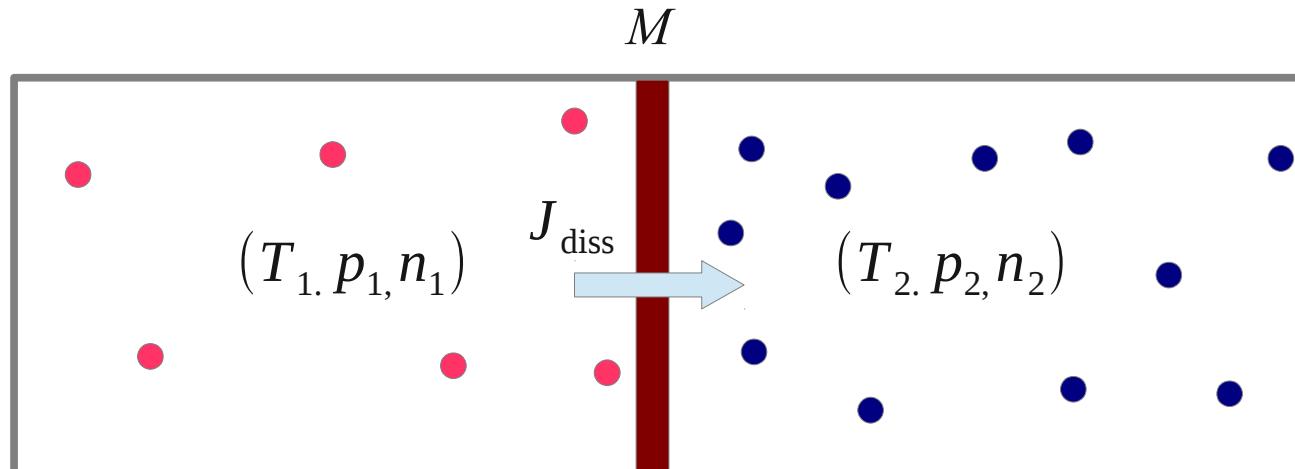
$$J_{\text{diss, hk}} = (1-e) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} v_{\text{th}} p L \longrightarrow \frac{F_{\text{MDD,hk}}}{L} = -\frac{1}{2}(1-e)p$$

Excess dissipation

$$J_{\text{diss, ex}} = (1-e) \frac{\gamma}{M} v_{\text{th}} p L \longrightarrow \frac{F_{\text{MDD,hk}}}{L} = -\frac{m}{M}(1-e)p$$



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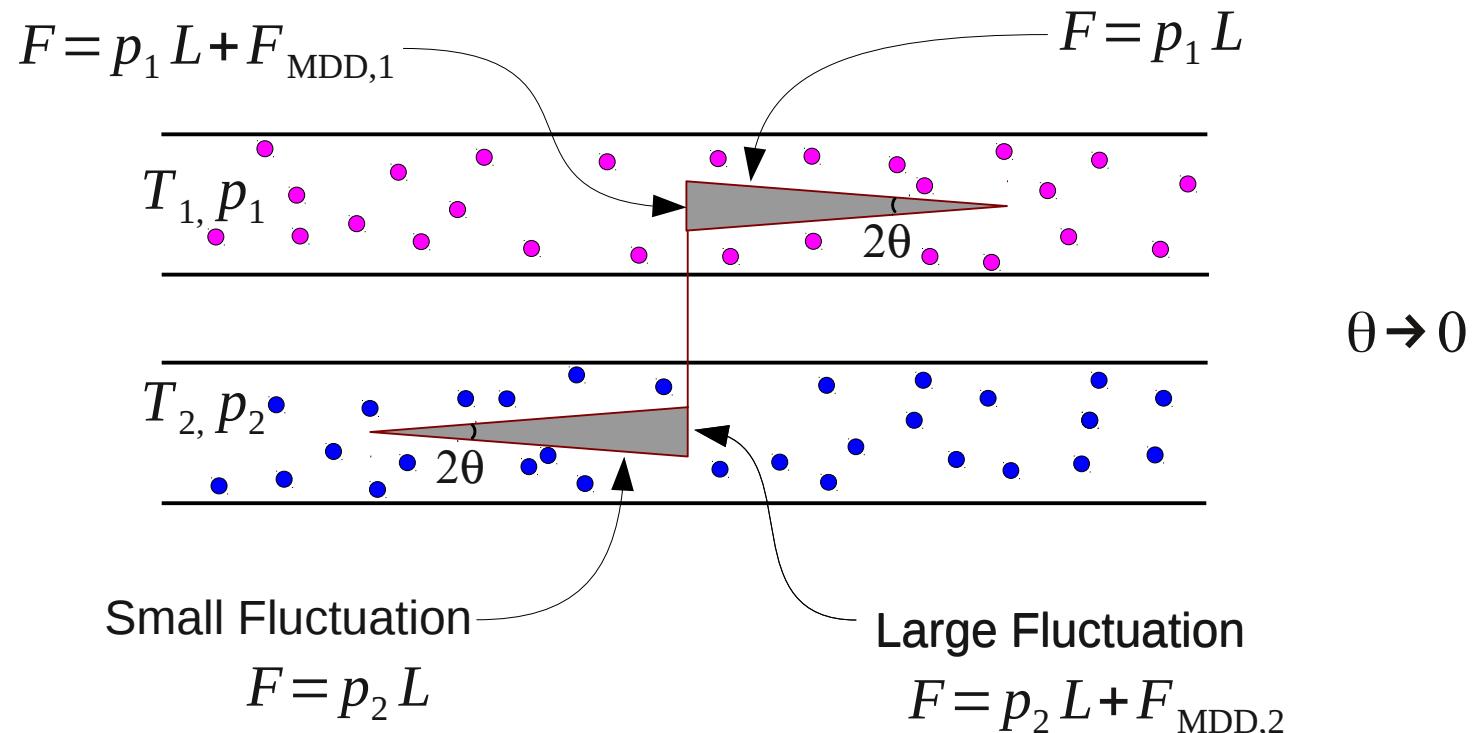
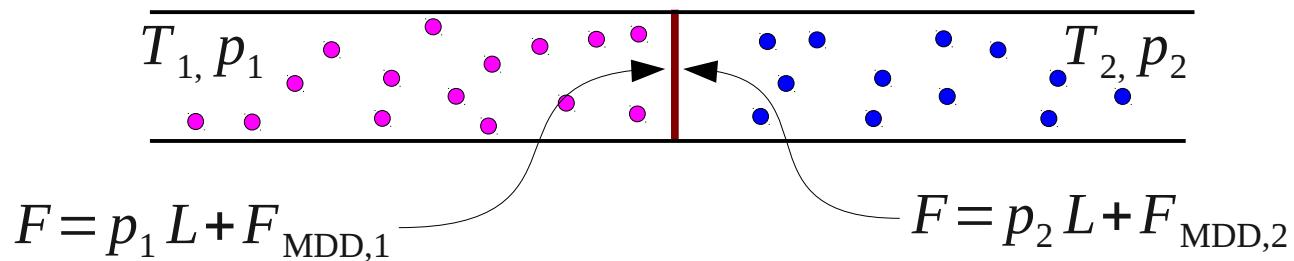
$$F_{\text{MDD},1} = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th},1}}$$

$$F_{\text{MDD},2} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{(-J_{\text{diss}})}{v_{\text{th},2}}$$

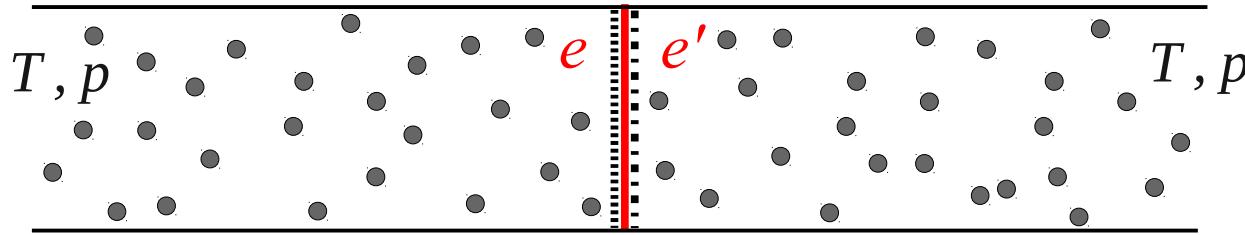
$$F_{\text{NET}} = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} J_{\text{diss}} \left( \frac{1}{v_{\text{th},2}} + \frac{1}{v_{\text{th},1}} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{8}} \frac{k T_1 - k T_2}{M (\gamma_1^{-1} + \gamma_2^{-1})} \left( \frac{1}{v_{\text{th},1}} + \frac{1}{v_{\text{th},2}} \right)$$

- The piston moves in the opposite direction of heat.
- Momentum current from one gas to the other is compensated by the momentum the piston.

# Adiabatic Piston vs Brownian Motor



# Asymmetric Inelastic Piston



$$F_L = pL - \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{m}{M} \right) (1 - e) pL \quad F_R = -pL + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{m}{M} \right) (1 - e') pL$$

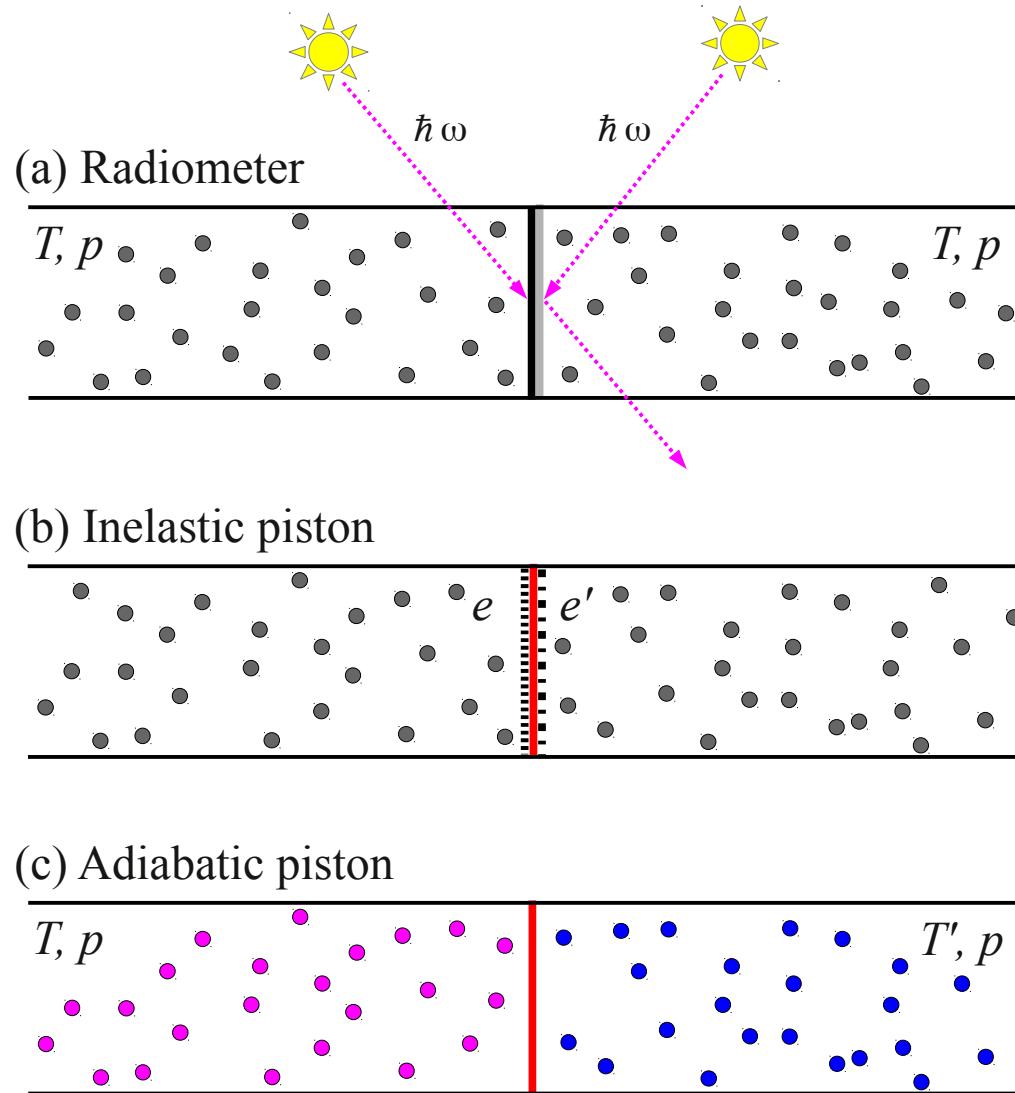
$$F_{NET} = \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{m}{M} \right) (e - e') pL$$

The piston moves toward the smaller restitution coefficient.  
(To the lossier side).

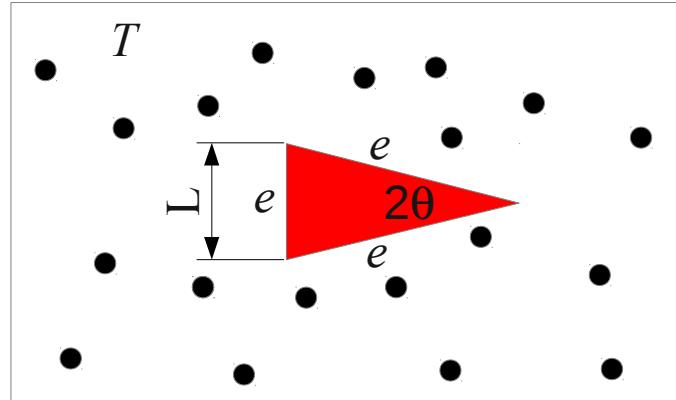
Fluctuation is not the main driving (similar to radiometer)

Costantini et al., EPL 82 (2008) 50008

Talbot et al., Phys. Rev. E 82 (2010), 011135



# Granular Brownian Ratchet



$$F_{\text{BASE}} = PL - \frac{1-e}{2}PL - \frac{m}{M}(1-e)pL$$

$$F_{\text{SIDE}} \approx -PL + \frac{1-e}{2}PL + o(\theta) \quad (\text{Fluctuation is negligible})$$

$$F_{\text{NET}} = -\frac{m}{M}(1-e)pL < 0$$

Cleuren and Van den Broeck, EPL **77** (2007) 50003  
Costantini et al., Phys. Rev. E **75** (2007), 061124

# Conclusions

- 😊 Concept of Momentum Deficit due to Dissipation (MDD)  
Is introduced.
- 😊 Force by MDD       $F_{\text{MDD}} = -c \frac{J_{\text{diss}}}{v_{\text{th}}}$
- 😊 MDD captures the asymmetry in fluctuation
- 😊 Adiabatic piston, Brownian Motors, and Inelastic Brownian Ratchet  
are intuitively explained by MDD