# Rank-1 Saddle Transport Scattering Reactions with 3 or more Degrees of Freedom 



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## Organization of Talk

I. Saddle Transport \& Chemical Reaction Rates
II. Transition State of a Scattering Reaction
III. Methods for Accurate Rate Calculation
IV. Applications:

- Electron Scattering in the Rydberg Atom
- Planar Scattering of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ with $\mathrm{H}_{2}$
- Higher DOF systems, Rank-2 Saddle Transport, Experimental Verification
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## Transition State Theory



Schematic of potential saddle separating two wells (left) and the saddle of a scattering reaction (right) [Figures from / Nkoon/presentations/chemical.pdf]
$\square$ Transition State: Joins Reactants \& Products

- Bottleneck near rank-1 saddle
- Opens for energies larger than saddle
$\square$ TST Assumes Unstructured Phase Space
- Even Chaotic Phase Space is Structured


## Rank-1 Saddle Transport



Center Projections

Figure from / koon/papers/specialist final.pdf
$\square$ Saddle direction mediates transport
$\square$ Energy is shared between saddle and centers
$S^{2 D O F-3} \cong\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{D O F-1} \frac{\omega_{i}}{2}\left(q_{i+1}^{2}+p_{i+1}^{2}\right)=H-\lambda q_{1} p_{1}\right\}$

## What is a Scattering Reaction?



Bound State

## Unbound State

$\square$ Bound vs. Unbound States (Hill Region)
$\square$ Nonzero Angular Momentum not always valid

## Overview of Method

$\square$ Identify Saddle/TS \& Hill Region
$\square$ Find Box Bounding Reactive Trajectories (outcut)

- in \& out cuts make "airlock"
- Monte Carlo sample energy surface in box
$\square$ Integrate traj's into bound state until escape



## Identifying the Hill Region



Hill Region for $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ at various energies (fixed $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ orientation)
$\square$ Reduce out rotations and work at fixed ang. mom.
$\square$ Hill Region is in cartesian body-frame coordinates
$\square$ Amended Potential: For $\mu \in \mathfrak{g}^{*}$,

$$
V_{\mu}(q)=V(q)+\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\mu, \mathbb{I}^{-1}(q) \mu\right\rangle=V(q)+\frac{1}{2} g_{00}^{-1} \mu^{2}
$$

## Bounding Box Method



Integrate Trajectories Backwards Until Out Cut


Refine Bounding Box
Until It Contains All
Reactive Trajectories

## Sampling the Energy Surface

- Randomly select points in bounding box
- Project (using momentum variables) until intersects energy surface

Bounding Box


## Example - Rydberg Atom

$$
\begin{gathered}
H=\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{x}^{2}+p_{y}^{2}+p_{z}^{2}\right)+\frac{1}{2}\left(x p_{y}-y p_{x}\right)+\frac{1}{8}\left(x^{2}+y^{2}\right) \\
-\epsilon x-\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^{2}+y^{2}+z^{2}}}
\end{gathered}
$$









- $\sim 3$ minutes :: $4,000 \mathrm{pts}::<.5 \%$ error
- $\sim 1$ hour :: 140,000 pts :: < . $1 \%$ error
- $\sim 2$ days :: 1,000,000 pts ::


## Controlling Standard Deviation

$\square$ Compute data in $N$ chunks (size $\sim 1000$ pts):

- $X_{j}(i)$ - bin $i$ for chunk $j$
- $\bar{X}(i)$ - bin $i$ for combined data

$$
S D(i)=\frac{1}{N} \sqrt{\left(X_{1}(i)-\bar{X}(i)\right)^{2}+\ldots+\left(X_{N}(i)-\bar{X}(i)\right)^{2}}
$$

$\square$ Keep computing chunks until $S D(i)<$ tolerance $\forall i$
$\square$ Only necessary data is computed

## Dual Method Test

Forward Integration of Inbound Trajectories( $\epsilon=.58$ )


Forward Integration of Inbound Trajectories $(\epsilon=58)$


Backward Integration of Outbound Trajectories ( $\epsilon=58$ )


Backward Integration of Outbound Trajectories $(\epsilon=.58)$


Comparison of LD using forward and backward integrationIntegrate trajectories backwards into bound state

- Detects error in bounding box, sampling error


# Planar Scattering of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ 

$$
H=\frac{p_{R}^{2}}{2 m}+\frac{\left(p_{\theta}-p_{\alpha}\right)^{2}}{2 m R^{2}}+\frac{\left(p_{\alpha}-p_{\beta}\right)^{2}}{2 I_{a}}+\frac{p_{\beta}^{2}}{2 I_{b}}+V
$$

- $V=$ dipole/quadrupole + dispersion + induction + Leonard-Jones. (Wiesenfeld, 2003)
- Reduce out $\theta$ and work on $p_{\theta} \equiv J>0$ level set.

Body Frame
Lab Frame



Fixed Axis Frame


## $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ Saddles





Center Projections

Saddle Proiection
Linearization near rank-1 saddle

## $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ Hill Region

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## $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ Collision Dynamics



$\square$ Unrealistic Potential
$\square$ Numerically Volatile Collisions
$\square$ Is Non-Scattering Reaction Occurring?
$\square$ More Realistic Potential Surface (Wiesenfeld)

# $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H}_{2}$ Lifetime Distribution 




CollisionDistributionfor $\mathrm{H} 2 \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{H} 2(<1000)$


- Locally structured (fine scale)
- Globally RRKM (coarse scale)
- Does structure persist w/ error in energy samples?


## Gaussian Energy Sampling

$\square$ Experimental verification of lifetime distribution

- Fixed energy slice is not realistic
- Gaussian around target energy is more physical
- Do nonRRKM features persist?

LifetimeDistribution $\epsilon=.58$


Energy Distribution of SamplePoints


$$
\begin{aligned}
& \geq 3 \text { DOF Rydberg Analog } \\
& H=\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{x}^{2}+p_{y}^{2}+p_{z}^{2}+p_{w}^{2}\right)+\frac{1}{2}\left(x p_{y}-y p_{x}\right)+\frac{1}{8}\left(x^{2}+y^{2}\right) \\
& -\epsilon x-\frac{}{\sqrt{x^{2}+y^{2}+z^{2}+w^{2}}}
\end{aligned}
$$







$\square \mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}$-like variables ( $w$ is z-like)
$\square$ Sampling takes 5 -20min for $\leq 8$ DOF


6DOF Rydberg Scattering Time


4DOF Rydberg Scattering Time


7DOF Rydberg Scattering Time


5DOF Rydberg Scattering Time


8DOF Rydberg Scattering Time


## Comparison of Methods

$\square$ Almost Invariant Set Methods (GAIO)

- Transfer operators on box subdivisions
- Increasing memory demands w/ higher DOF
$\square$ High Order Normal Form Expansion
- Compute Transit Tubes directly
- Manipulating expansion becomes involved for $>$ 3 DOF
$\square$ Bounding Box Method
- Lifetime Distribution essentially 1D problem
- Scales well to higher DOF systems
- Integration \& sampling become bottleneck


## Future Work

$\square$ Tighter Bounding Box


- Improvement is greater for higher DOF systemsVariational Integrator
- Larger time steps, faster runtime
- Computes collisions more accurately
- Bulk of computation is integration


## Rank-2 Saddles



Saddle 1


Saddle 2


Centers
$\square$ Reaction coordinate is ambiguous for rank-2 saddle - Multi-channel reactions
$\square$ Transit orbits exist for one or both saddles
$\square$ Topology of transit tubes isn't clear

- Non-compact intersection with transverse cut
- Makes sampling difficult (or impossible?)


## Conclusions \& Open Questions

$\square$ Conclusions

- Bounding Box Method is very efficient
- Requires minor modification for new systems
- Remains fast for high DOF systems
$\square$ Next Steps
- Apply method to higher DOF chemical system
- Obtain experimental verification of method
$\square$ Open Problems
- Is there an estimate for how small energy must be for linear dynamics to persist?
- Perron-Frobenius operator (coarse grained reaction coordinate)
- Apply tube dynamics to stochastic models
- Solve Rank-2 sampling problem (non-compact)


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