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Process irreversibility and stationary states in small (and large) systems

Abstract

The problem of a quantitative definition of how quasi static a process is will be briefly discussed in the frame of the chaotic hypothesis. The problems arising in attempting construction of stationary non equilibria will then be illustrated in a simple case.