# Radiative Heat Transfer in Fractal Structures

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- Radiative Heat Transfer in Many-body Systems.
- Why Fractals?
- Cluster-Cluster Aggregation.
- Overlapping Dipole Model.
- Results: Self and Mutual conductance, Tip-Fractal HE

### Heat flow in many-body systems

System consists N nanoparticles.

Each nanoparticle characterizes by its Temperature,
 Position and Polarizability Tensor.



 $T_N, \mathbf{r_N}, \hat{lpha}_{\mathbf{N}}$ 

□ Nanoparticles are approximated by fluctuating dipoles.

Nanoparticles exchange energy through dipole interactions.

### Heat flow in many-body systems

Power dissipated in i-th nanoparticle  $\rightarrow$  Particle will heat up or cools down

 $\mathcal{P}_{i} = \langle \mathbf{E}_{i}^{*}(t) \cdot \dot{\mathbf{P}}_{i}(t) \rangle = 2 \int_{0}^{\infty} \omega \frac{d\omega}{4\pi^{2}} \mathrm{Im}[\langle \mathbf{E}_{i}^{*}(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{P}_{i}(\omega) \rangle].$ 

$$\mathcal{P}_i = \mathcal{F}_i(T_i) + \sum_{j \neq i} \mathcal{F}_{i,j}(T_j)$$

LOSE ENERGY: Cooling of each particle due to its radiation.

➢ GAIN ENERGY: Direct and indirect heating of each particle by the others.

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$$\mathcal{H}_{ij} = |\mathcal{F}_{ij} - \mathcal{F}_{ji}|$$
  
Heat Exchange

#### Transitions probability - Conductance

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{i} &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \mathcal{T}_{ii}(\omega) \Theta(\omega) \\ \mathcal{T}_{ii} &= 2 \mathrm{Im} \mathrm{Tr}[\hat{A}_{ii} \mathrm{Im}(\hat{\chi}_{i}) \hat{C}_{ii}^{\dagger}] \\ \\ \mathbf{Self Conductance} \\ \mathcal{G}_{i}(T) &\equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_{i}}{\partial T} \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{ij} &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \mathcal{T}_{ij}(\omega) \Delta \Theta(\omega) \\ \mathcal{T}_{ij} &= 2 \mathrm{Im} \mathrm{Tr}[\hat{A}_{ij} \mathrm{Im}(\hat{\chi}_{j}) \hat{C}_{ij}^{\dagger}] \\ \\ \mathbf{Mutual Conductance} \\ \mathcal{G}_{ij}(T) &\equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_{ij}}{\partial T} \end{aligned}$$

A and C depends on dyadic green functions

 $\boldsymbol{\chi}$  is the susceptibility tensor



## Many-Body Effect

Increasing the number of particles:

Radiating field scattered many times between nanoparticles.



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#### Common features of fractals

- Self Similar (Scale invariant)
- Something "feels the same" regardless of scale
- Fractal Dimension

Introduced by Mandelbort (1977)



 $D_f$ : Fractal Dimension  $\rightarrow$  Non-integer Number D: Embbeding Space  $\rightarrow$  Integer Number  $D_f \leq D$ 

# Fractal Aggregated Nano-particles

Aggregation of colloidal nanoparticle in a solutions

- 1. Suspension of nanoparticle \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Assembly of nanoparticles
- 3. 3D-fractal aggregation
- 4. Deposition to form 2D-fractal

- → Experimental methods
  - Chemical methods
  - Electro-chemical method
  - High power Laser-Matter interaction

Ø 1.9 µm SiO<sub>2</sub>

Blum et al. 1998

**3D-Fractal** 



## Cluster-Cluster Aggregation (CCA)

Random distribution of Nanoparticles





Introduced by Meakin and Kolb (1983)
Process is similar for CCA in 3-dimension

Simple Cluster Cluster Aggregation

by Moladad Nikbakht Mohammad H. Mahdieh Grid size: 300 Number of Particles: 9000



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## Density Correlation function C(r)

- ✓ Related to the probability of finding a nanoparticle at distance r from a given nanoparticle C(r) ~ r<sup>D<sub>f</sub>-D</sup>
   ✓ High probability of finding some particles in close proximity of each particle in fractal aggregates, accounts for strong interparticle interaction.
- ✓ The volume fraction filled by the particles is very small (tends to zero for large N).
- Rapid decrease in the correlation for large separation distance.
- ✓ The averaging is done for nanoparticles around the CM and then over several samples.  $C(r) = \text{Constant}, D_f = D$ , for ordered and disordered structure



#### **Touching Nano-particles**



**Dipole Approximation** 

Small Radius

Large Separation



Radiation field of the fluctuating dipole

is not homogeneous inside the adjacent particle.

Take into account the multipole moments contribution to the heat transfer

A. Perez-Madrid, et. al (2008), ...

➤ Molecular dynamics simulation G. Domingues, et. al (2005), ...

Overlapping Dipole Model (E. M. Purcell 1973, V. A. Markel 1996)





The modeled structure has the same fractal dimension, radius of gyration as the experiment one

$$R = R_{exp} (\pi/6)^{D_f / [D(D - D_f)]}$$

#### Mutual Conductance – 1D-Array



$$\mathcal{G}(r) = \mathcal{G}(|\mathbf{r_i} - \mathbf{r_j}|) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}_{ij}}{\partial \mathbf{T}}$$



Material: SiC N=500 R=10 nm h=6R T=300 K

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### Mutual Conductance – 2D-Array



#### Mutual Conductance – Random distribution



#### 2D-Random distribution



Material: SiC N=500 R=10 nm Filling fraction=0.05 T=300 K Samples: 50

#### Mutual Conductance – Fractals



Material: SiC N=500 Rexp=10 nm T=300 K Samples: 50

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#### Self Conductance

$$\mathcal{G}_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}_i}{\partial T}$$

Related to the radiative cooling of nanoparticles: Saturates as the cluster size increase





The tip scans the sample and the net tip-sample heat exchange is calculated



Far a way the boundary, small fluctuation in HE compared to the average tip-sample HE
 Heat exchange is almost constant.

## Tip-Sample Heat-Exchange (Fractal)

- Large fluctuation in heat-exchange
   compared to the average tip-sample heatexchange.
- Heat exchange is localized on some placed almost constant.
- The tip-sample heat-exchange in these hot spots is large.



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#### **Position** of hotspot and Heat-Exchange enhancement

- Strongly depends on the geometrical structure.
- Tip-Sample Separation distance
- Nanoparticles sizes
- Nanoparticles optical properties.
- Difference between Tip and Sample optical properties



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