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Loading kappa-type distributions in particle simulations

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Velocity distributions in particle simulations



Maxwell-Boltznmann distribution

$$f(\boldsymbol{v})d^{3}\boldsymbol{v} = N\left(\frac{m}{2\pi T}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^{2}}{2T}\right)d^{3}\boldsymbol{v}$$



• Two uniform random variates: $u_1, w_1 \in (0,1]$

$$r_1 = \sqrt{-2\ln u_1} \sin(2\pi w_1)$$
$$r_2 = \sqrt{-2\ln u_1} \cos(2\pi w_1)$$

Counts Counts O Velocity V_×

Kappa distribution

$$f(\boldsymbol{v})d^3\boldsymbol{v} = \frac{N}{(\pi\kappa\theta^2)^{3/2}} \frac{\Gamma(\kappa+1)}{\Gamma(\kappa-1/2)} \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{\kappa\theta^2}\right)^{-(\kappa+1)} d^3\boldsymbol{v}$$

- First introduced in 1968 (Vasyliunas 1968, Olbert 1968)
- Widely used in a solar-wind plasma with suprathermal ions
- Thermal core + power-law tail
- κ (> 3/2) : power-law index
- $\kappa \to \infty$ Maxwellian



Recipe for a Kappa distribution

 Kappa distribution is equivalent to a multivariate-t distribution (Abdul & Mace 2015)

$$\frac{N}{\nu^{p/2}\pi^{p/2}\sigma^p}\frac{\Gamma[(\nu+p)/2]}{\Gamma(\nu/2)}\left(1+\frac{1}{\nu}\frac{t^2}{\sigma^2}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+p)}{2}}$$

• Step 1

- Load the 3-D normal distribution
- Step 2
 - Load a chi-squared distribution of ν degrees of freedom (Equivalent to a gamma distribution with k=κ-1/2)
- Step 3
 - Divide 1 by 2

Algorithm 1-2

generate $n_1, n_2, n_3 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ generate $\chi^2_{\nu} \sim \text{Ga}(\kappa - 1/2, 2)$ $r \leftarrow \sqrt{\frac{\kappa \theta^2}{\chi^2_{\nu}}}$ $v_x \leftarrow rn_1$ $v_y \leftarrow rn_2$ $v_z \leftarrow rn_3$

Algorithm A

function Gamma-generator (k, λ) generate uniform random $U_1, U_2, \dots, U_{[k]} \in (0, 1]$ if k is an integer then $x \leftarrow -\ln \left(\prod_{i=1}^{k} U_i\right)$ elseif k is a half integer then generate $n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ $x \leftarrow -\ln \left(\prod_{i=1}^{[k]} U_i\right) + \frac{1}{2}n^2$ endif return λx

Monte-Carlo (PIC) results: k=3.5



- Power-law tail of ~v**(2κ), ~E**(κ+1/2)
- It extends well beyond the inscribed Maxwellian

Kappa loss-cone (KLC) distribution

- Kappa distribution with an approximated loss-cone (Summers & Thorne 1991)
- Useful for study in the inner magnetosphere

$$f(\boldsymbol{v}) = \frac{N}{\pi^{3/2} \theta_{\parallel} \theta_{\perp}^2 \kappa^{j+3/2}} \frac{\Gamma(\kappa+j+1)}{\Gamma(j+1)\Gamma(\kappa-1/2)} \left(\frac{v_{\perp}}{\theta_{\perp}} \right)^{2j} \left(1 + \frac{v_{\parallel}^2}{\kappa \theta_{\parallel}^2} + \frac{v_{\perp}^2}{\kappa \theta_{\perp}^2} \right)^{-(\kappa+j+1)}$$



Kappa loss-cone (KLC) distribution

 As results of lengthy calculation, we have developed two procedures at this point.

 $\nu \leftarrow 2\kappa - 1$ $X \leftarrow N(1,0)$ $Y \leftarrow \text{Gamma}(\nu/2,2)$ $R \leftarrow (1 + X^2/Y) \frac{\text{Gamma}(j+1,1)}{\text{Gamma}(\kappa,1)}$ $\bar{v}_x \leftarrow \theta_{\parallel}\sqrt{\kappa} X/\sqrt{Y}$ $\bar{v}_y \leftarrow \theta_{\perp}\sqrt{\kappa R} \sin(2\pi w_2)$ $\bar{v}_z \leftarrow \theta_{\perp}\sqrt{\kappa R} \cos(2\pi w_2)$ return v_x, v_y, v_z

function $Gamma(k, \lambda)$

 ${\bf if}\;k$ is a half integer ${\bf then}$

generate uniform random $U_1, U_2, \cdots, U_{k-1/2} \in (0, 1], u_1, u_2 \in (0, 1]$ $X \leftarrow -2\lambda \left\{ \ln \left(\prod_{i=1}^{k-1/2} U_i \right) + \cos^2(2\pi u_1) \ln u_2 \right\}$

 $\mathbf{elseif}\;k$ is an integer \mathbf{then}

generate uniform random $U_1, U_2, \cdots, U_k \in (0, 1]$

$$X \leftarrow -2\lambda \ln\left(\prod_{i=1}^k U_i\right)$$

 \mathbf{endif}

return X

 $X \leftarrow N(1,0)$

$$Y \leftarrow \text{Gamma}(\mu/2, 2)$$

$$R \leftarrow \frac{\text{Gamma}(j+1, 1)}{\text{Gamma}(\kappa - 1/2, 1)}$$

$$\bar{v}_x \leftarrow \theta_{\parallel} \sqrt{\kappa} X \sqrt{\frac{(1+R)}{Y}}$$

$$\bar{v}_y \leftarrow \theta_{\perp} \sqrt{\kappa R} \sin(2\pi w_2)$$

$$\bar{v}_z \leftarrow \theta_{\perp} \sqrt{\kappa R} \cos(2\pi w_2)$$
return v_x, v_y, v_z

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 \mathbf{endif}

return X

Relativistic Kappa distribution

Kappa distribution

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$$f_{\rm RK}(\boldsymbol{p})d^3p \equiv A\left(1 + \frac{(\gamma - 1)mc^2}{\kappa T_{\kappa}}\right)^{-(\kappa + 1)} d^3p$$

$$p = m\gamma v$$
 $\gamma = [1 - (v/c)^2]^{-1/2}$



- Useful for study in high-energy astrophysics & particle physics
- Previous "power-law" models often assume a sudden low-energy cutoff

Some mathematics

Normalization factors

Relativistic Kappa distribution

$$f_{\rm RK}(p)dp = A(\kappa,t) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{\kappa t}\right)^{-(\kappa+1)} 4\pi p^2 \ dp$$

$$x \equiv \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\rm kin}}{mc^2} = \gamma - 1$$

- $$\begin{split} A(\kappa, T_{\kappa}) &= \frac{N_{\kappa} \Gamma\left(\kappa + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{(2\pi m \kappa T_{\kappa})^{3/2} (\kappa + 1) \ \Gamma(\kappa 2) \ _{2}F_{1} \left(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}; \kappa + \frac{1}{2}; 1 \frac{\kappa T_{\kappa}}{2mc^{2}}\right)} \\ S(\kappa, t) &\equiv \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2} \Gamma\left(\kappa \frac{1}{2}\right) + a \sqrt{\kappa t} \ \Gamma(\kappa 1) + b \ \frac{3\sqrt{2\pi}}{4} (\kappa t) \ \left(\kappa \frac{3}{2}\right) + 2(\kappa t)^{3/2} \ \Gamma(\kappa 2) \end{split}$$
- Our expression

$$f_{\rm RK}(x)dx = \frac{4\pi A(\kappa, t)S(\kappa, t)}{\Gamma(\kappa+1)} (\kappa t)^{3/2} \left(\sum_{i=3}^{6} \pi_i(\kappa, t) \operatorname{B}'\left(x; \frac{i}{2}, \kappa+1-\frac{i}{2}, 1, \kappa t\right)\right) R(x) dx$$

The algorithm

Main procedure

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a \leftarrow 0.56, b \leftarrow 0.35, R_0 \leftarrow 0.95
compute \pi_3, \pi_4, \pi_5 for given \kappa, t using Eqs. (40)–(42)
repeat
                                          Probabilistic switch
   generate X_1, X_2 \sim U(0, 1)
         X_1 < \pi_3 then i \leftarrow 3
   if
   elseif X_1 < \pi_3 + \pi_4 then i \leftarrow 4
   elseif X_1 < \pi_3 + \pi_4 + \pi_5 then i \leftarrow 5
   else i \leftarrow 6
   endif
   generate X_3 \sim Ga(i/2, 1), X_4 \sim Ga(\kappa + 1 - i/2, 1)
   x \leftarrow \kappa t \times \frac{X_3}{X_4} Beta prime distribution
until X_2 < R_0 or X_2 < R(x; a, b)
                                                 Rejection
generate X_5, X_6 \sim U(0, 1)
p \leftarrow \sqrt{x(x+2)}
p_x \leftarrow p \ (2X_5 - 1)
p_y \leftarrow 2p\sqrt{X_5(1-X_5)}\cos(2\pi X_6)
p_z \leftarrow 2p\sqrt{X_5(1-X_5)}\sin(2\pi X_6)
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 Beta prime distribution can be generated from 2 gamma distributions

$$X_{\mathrm{B}'(\alpha,\beta)} = \frac{X_{\Gamma(\alpha,\delta)}}{X_{\Gamma(\beta,\delta)}} = \frac{X_{\Gamma(\alpha,1)}}{X_{\Gamma(\beta,1)}}$$

- No need for the normalization factors
- Gamma variates can be easily generated

 Rejection function will be discussed in the last section

Numerical test



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Acceptance efficiency (1/2)

 In the relativistic cases, we need a rejection method to adjust the distribution.

$$R(x; a, b) \equiv \frac{(1+x)\sqrt{x+2}}{\sqrt{2} + ax^{1/2} + b\sqrt{2}x + x^{3/2}}$$



- We have added two hyperparameters to a rejection function by Canfield+ (1987)
- Best hyperparameters are found by a grid-search



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Acceptance efficiency (2/2)

- The new function improves efficiency for relativistic kappa distributions as well as Maxwell-Jüttner distributions (relativistic Maxwell distributions)
- Drastic improvement: 70% --> 95%







Summary

- 1. Kappa distribution <-- Multivariate-t distribution
- 2. Kappa loss-cone distribution <-- Lengthy calculation
- 3. Relativistic kappa distribution <-- Beta prime distributions
- 4. Efficient rejection function for relativistic distributions

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