

# Concentration $\leq$ for Mean Field Particle Models

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## Some notation

$E$  measurable state space,  $\mathcal{M}(E)$  &  $\mathcal{P}(E)$  measures & probabilities on  $E$   
 $\mathcal{B}(E)$  bounded meas. functions

- $(\mu, f) \in \mathcal{M}(E) \times \mathcal{B}(E) \mapsto \mu(f) = \int \mu(dx) f(x)$
- $M(x, dy)$  **integral operator over E**

$$M(f)(x) = \int M(x, dy) f(y)$$

$$[\mu M](dy) = \int \mu(dx) M(x, dy) \quad (\implies [\mu M](f) = \mu[M(f)])$$

- **Composition:**  $(M_1 M_2)(x, dz) = \int M_1(x, dy) M_2(y, dz)$
- **Boltzmann-Gibbs transformation :**  $G : E \rightarrow [0, \infty[$  with  $\mu(G) > 0$

$$\Psi_G(\mu)(dx) = \frac{1}{\mu(G)} G(x) \mu(dx)$$

## Running example : Feynman-Kac integration models

- Markov chain  $X_n$  on some state spaces  $E_n$ ,  $n$ =time index .
- Potential functions  $G_n : x_n \in E_n \rightarrow G_n(x_n) \in [0, 1]$

**Feynman-Kac path measures:**

$$d\mathbb{Q}_n := \frac{1}{Z_n} \left\{ \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right\} d\mathbb{P}_n \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbb{P}_n := \text{Law}(X_0, \dots, X_n)$$

**The  $n$ -time marginals:**  $\forall f_n \in \mathcal{B}(E_n)$

$$\eta_n(f_n) := \frac{\gamma_n(f_n)}{\gamma_n(\mathbf{1})} \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_n(f_n) := \mathbb{E} \left( f_n(X_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right)$$

## Example: Filtering, Hidden Markov Chains, Bayesian Inference

### Signal-observation type model

$$\mathbb{P}((X_n, Y_n) \in d(x, y) | (X_{n-1}, Y_{n-1})) := M_n(X_{n-1}, dx) g_n(x, y) \lambda_n(dy)$$

- Given the observation sequence  $Y = y$  with  $G_n(x_n) = g_n(x_n, y_n)$

$$\eta_n = \text{Law}(X_n | \forall 0 \leq p < n \ Y_p = y_p) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{Z}_{n+1} \propto p_n(y_0, \dots, y_n)$$

- In path space settings

$$\mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X_0, \dots, X_n) | \forall 0 \leq p < n \ Y_p = y_p)$$

### Other examples of conditioning:

$\subset$  rare event analysis, confinements problems, polymers, self-avoiding walks, ..

Ex.:  $G_n = 1_{A_n} \Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_n = \text{Law}((X_0, \dots, X_n) | \forall 0 \leq p < n \ X_p \in A_p)$

### 3 Key observations

$$\eta_n(f_n) := \frac{\gamma_n(f_n)}{\gamma_n(\mathbf{1})} \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_n(f_n) := \mathbb{E} \left( f_n(X_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right)$$

- First important observation:

$$[X_n := (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \ \& \ G_n(X_n) := G'_n(X'_n)] \implies \eta_n = \mathbb{Q}'_n$$

- Second important observation:

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \gamma_n(\mathbf{1}) = \mathbb{E} \left( \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p) \right) = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p(G_p)$$

**Proof:**

$$\gamma_n(\mathbf{1}) = \gamma_{n-1}(G_{n-1}) = \eta_{n-1}(G_{n-1}) \gamma_{n-1}(\mathbf{1})$$

### 3 Key observations

- Third important observation: (H)  $M_n(x, dx') = H_n(x, x') \lambda_n(dx')$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_n} \left\{ \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(x_p) \right\} \mathbb{P}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) \\ &= \eta_n(dx_n) M_{n, \eta_{n-1}}(x_n, dx_{n-1}) \dots M_{1, \eta_0}(x_1, dx_0) \end{aligned}$$

with the backward Markov transitions :

$$M_{n, \eta}(x, dx') := \frac{\eta(dx') G_{n-1}(x') H_n(x', x)}{\eta(G_{n-1} H_n(\cdot, x))}$$



## Flows of Feynman-Kac measures

- A two step correction prediction model

$$\eta_n \xrightarrow{\text{Updating-correction}} \hat{\eta}_n = \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n) \xrightarrow{\text{Prediction/Markov transport}} \eta_{n+1} = \hat{\eta}_n M_{n+1}$$

- Selection nonlinear transport formulae

$$\Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n) = \eta_n S_{n,\eta_n}$$

with, for any  $\epsilon_n \in [0, 1]$

$$S_{n,\eta_n}(x, \cdot) := \epsilon_n G_n(x) \delta_x + (1 - \epsilon_n G_n(x)) \Psi_{G_n}(\eta_n)$$

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$$\eta_{n+1} = \eta_n (S_{n,\eta_n} M_{n+1}) := \eta_n K_{n+1,\eta_n}$$

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- Nonlinear McKean distribution flows
- Mean field particle interpretations
- The 4 types of particle approximation measures
- Some key advantages

## 3 Convergence analysis

## Nonlinear Markov chains $\eta_n = \text{Law}(\bar{X}_n)$ = Perfect sampling algorithm

- **Nonlinear transport formulae :**

$$\eta_{n+1} = \eta_n K_{n+1, \eta_n}$$

- **Local transitions :**

$$\mathbb{P}(\bar{X}_n \in dx_n \mid \bar{X}_{n-1}) = K_{n, \eta_{n-1}}(\bar{X}_{n-1}, dx_n) \quad \text{avec} \quad \eta_{n-1} = \text{Law}(\bar{X}_{n-1})$$

- **McKean measures (canonical process) :**

$$\mathbb{P}_n(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \eta_0(dx_0) K_{1, \eta_0}(x_0, dx_1) \dots K_{n, \eta_{n-1}}(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$$

Other examples : Gaussian-McKean Vlasov type transitions

$$\bar{X}_{n+1} := d_n(\bar{X}_n, \eta_n) + \mathcal{N}(0, Q_n)$$

## Sampling pb $\Rightarrow$ Mean field particle interpretations

- Markov Chain  $\xi_n = (\xi_n^1, \dots, \xi_n^N) \in E_n^N$  s.t.

$$\eta_n^N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_n^i} \simeq_{N \uparrow \infty} \eta_n$$

- Approximated local transitions ( $\forall 1 \leq i \leq N$ )

$$\xi_{n-1}^i \rightsquigarrow \xi_n^i \sim K_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N}(\xi_{n-1}^i, dx_n)$$

## Feynman-Kac models $\Leftrightarrow$ Genetic type stochastic algo.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_n^1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n^i \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n^N \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{S_{n,\eta_n^N}} \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\xi}_n^1 & \xrightarrow{M_{n+1}} & \xi_{n+1}^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \widehat{\xi}_n^i & \longrightarrow & \xi_{n+1}^i \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \widehat{\xi}_n^N & \longrightarrow & \xi_{n+1}^N \end{bmatrix}$$

Accept/Reject-Selection : [Geometric clocks] [Confinement ex. :  $G_n = 1_A$ ]

$$S_{n,\eta_n^N}(\xi_n^i, \cdot) := \epsilon_n G_n(\xi_n^i) \delta_{\xi_n^i} + (1 - \epsilon_n G_n(\xi_n^i)) \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{G_n(\xi_n^j)}{\sum_{k=1}^N G_n(\xi_n^k)} \delta_{\xi_n^j}$$

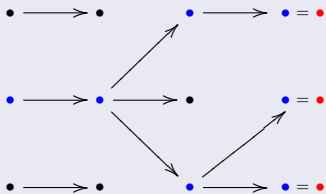
$\oplus$  Unbias particle normalizing Cts

$$\mathcal{Z}_n^N := \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \simeq \mathcal{Z}_n$$

$\supset$  Particle filters, Diffusion Monte Carlo (DMC), Quantum Monte Carlo (QMC), Sequential Monte Carlo methods (SMC), ...

# Interaction/branch. process $\hookrightarrow$ 4 types of occupation measures

( $N = 3$ )



- **Current population**  $\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\xi_n^i} \leftarrow i\text{-th individual at time } n \simeq \eta_n$
- **Genealogical tree**  $\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{(\xi_{0,n}^i, \xi_{1,n}^i, \dots, \xi_{n,n}^i)} \leftarrow i\text{-th ancestral line} \simeq \mathbb{Q}_n$
- **Complete genealogical tree**  $\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{(\xi_0^i, \xi_1^i, \dots, \xi_n^i)} \simeq$  McKean meas.
- **Forward particle approximation**  $\sim$  complete genealogical tree :

$$\mathbb{Q}_n^N(d(x_0, \dots, x_n)) = \eta_n^N(dx_n) M_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N}(x_n, dx_{n-1}) \dots M_{1, \eta_0^N}(x_1, dx_0)$$

## Some key advantages

- Mean field models = **stochastic linearization/perturbation technique** :

$$\eta_n^N = \eta_{n-1}^N K_{n, \eta_{n-1}^N} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} W_n^N$$

with [theorem]  $(W_n^N)_n \simeq (W_n)_n$  Indep. Centered Gaussian Fields.

- $\eta_n = \eta_{n-1} K_{n, \eta_{n-1}}$  stable  $\Rightarrow$  No propagation of local sampling errors

$\Rightarrow$  **Uniform control w.r.t. the time horizon**

- "No burning, no need to study the stability of MCMC type models".
- PDE viewpoint : Stochastic adaptive grid approximation
- Nonlinear system  $\rightsquigarrow$  "positive-benefic interactions.
- Simple and natural sampling algorithm.

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- Feynman-Kac type models
- Concentration inequalities



# Feynman-Kac models = rather complete analysis [LDP, CLT, Propagation of chaos] (FK Springer 2004 + refs)

- Example: Empirical processes  $\mathbb{L}_p$ -mean error estimates

$$\sup_{n \geq 0} \sup_{N \geq 1} \sqrt{N} \mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}_n} |\eta_n^N(f) - \eta_n(f)|^p \right) < \infty$$

- (New) Propagations of chaos (+ Patras & Rubenthaler (AAP 10))

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N &:= \text{Law}(\xi_n^1, \dots, \xi_n^q) \\ &\simeq \eta_n^{\otimes q} + \frac{1}{N} \partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q} + \dots + \frac{1}{N^k} \partial^k \mathbb{P}_{n,q} + \frac{1}{N^{k+1}} \partial^{k+1} \mathbb{P}_{n,q} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\sup_{N \geq 1} \|\partial^{k+1} \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N\|_{\text{tv}} < \infty$  &  $\sup_{n \geq 0} \|\partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q}\|_{\text{tv}} \leq c q^2$ .

- (New) Additive functional (+ Doucet & Singh M2AN 10):

$$N \mathbb{E} \left( [(\mathbb{Q}_n^N - \mathbb{Q}_n)(F_n)]^2 \right) \leq c \times (1/n + 1/N)$$

## Concentration inequalities

- **Large deviation principles**

[joint works with D. Dawson (Springer 05), A. Guionnet (SPA 98, IHP 01), T. Zajic (Bernoulli 03)]

$$\rightsquigarrow \sup_{n \geq 0} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \log \mathbb{P} \left( \sup_{p \leq n} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq d} |\eta_p^N(A_k) - \eta_p(A_k)| \geq \epsilon \right) \leq -\epsilon^2 / \beta(\Phi)$$

with  $\beta(\Phi)$  related to the contraction properties of the sg  $\Phi_{p,n}(\eta_p) = \eta_n$ .

- **Non asymptotic estimates**

[joint works with M. Ledoux (JTP 00), A. Doucet & S. Singh  
(Feynman-Kac path space models & Additive functionals) (M2AN-10)]

$$\rightsquigarrow \sup_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{N} \log \mathbb{P} \left( |[Q_n^N - Q_n](F_n)| \geq \frac{b}{\sqrt{N}} + \epsilon \right) \leq -\epsilon^2 / (2b^2)$$

# Concentration inequalities $\sim$ stability prop. semigroups $\Phi_{\rho,n}(\eta_\rho) = \eta_n$

[+ E. Rio (HAL-INRIA 09 & AAP 10)  $\supset$  FK and McKean-Vlasov type models ]

$$\Phi_{\rho,n}(\eta) - \Phi_{\rho,n}(\mu) = [\eta - \mu] \underbrace{D_\mu \Phi_{\rho,n}}_{\text{1st order op.}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{R}_{\rho,n}(\eta, \mu)}_{\text{2nd order } (\eta - \mu)^{\otimes 2}(\dots)}$$

[Theo:]  $\forall x \geq 0$ , the probability of the next events is  $\geq 1 - e^{-x}$

$$(\eta_n^N - \eta_n)(f) \leq \frac{r_n}{N} (1 + \epsilon_0^{-1}(x)) + \bar{\sigma}_n^2 b_n^* \epsilon_1^{-1} \left( \frac{x}{N \bar{\sigma}_n^2} \right) \quad [\text{Bennett } (r = 0)]$$

$$(\eta_n^N - \eta_n)(f) \leq \frac{r_n}{N} (1 + \epsilon_0^{-1}(x)) + \sqrt{\frac{2x}{N}} \beta_n \quad [\text{Hoeffding } (r = 0)]$$

with

$$\epsilon_0(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} (\lambda - \log(1 + \lambda)) , \quad \epsilon_1(\lambda) = (1 + \lambda) \log(1 + \lambda) - \lambda$$

Cts :  $r_n \sim$  bias second order &  $\bar{\sigma}_n, \beta_n, b_n^* \sim$  Dobrushin coef. 1st order operators.

Note : Crude bounds  $\epsilon_0^{-1}(x) \leq 2x + 2\sqrt{x}$ ,  $\epsilon_1^{-1}(x) \leq x/3 + \sqrt{2x} \rightsquigarrow$  [Bernstein]

## Application : Time homogeneous Feynman-Kac models $(M, G)$

$$(H) \exists m : M^m(x, \cdot) \geq \epsilon M^m(y, \cdot) \quad \text{and} \quad \delta := \sup \prod_{0 \leq p < m} (G(x_p)/G(y_p)) < \infty$$

[Corollary:]

$\forall x \geq 0$ ,  $\forall$  time horizon  $n$ , the probability of the next events is  $\geq 1 - e^{-x}$

$$(\eta_n^N - \eta_n)(f) \leq \frac{4a}{N} (1 + \epsilon_0^{-1}(x)) + 8a \epsilon_1^{-1} \left( \frac{x}{4bN} \right)$$

$$(\eta_n^N - \eta_n)(f) \leq \frac{4a}{N} (1 + \epsilon_0^{-1}(x)) + 2\sqrt{\frac{2bx}{N}}$$

with  $a \leq m (\delta/\epsilon)^5$  and  $b \leq m (\delta/\epsilon)^4$ .