

Stability of positive semigroups & their mean field particle interpretations

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key idea = Interpolating flow

$$\bar{X}_{s,t} - X_{s,t} = \int_s^t d_u(X_{u,t} \circ \bar{X}_{s,u})$$

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Stability terms \subset Gradient and Hessian of the stochastic flow $X_{s,t}(x)$

Tangent process, first variational equations, spectral techniques, . . .

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But also

$$(2)' = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_{s,s+\tau}(x, dy) \geq q_{s,s+\tau}(x, y) \nu_\tau(dy) \\ \inf_{V(x) \vee V(y) \leq r} q_{s,s+\tau}(x, y) \geq \iota_r^-(\tau) > 0 \end{array} \right\} \implies (2)$$

Note:

V bounded \implies Dobrushin coef. := $\beta(P_{s,t})$ and $(2)' =$ Doeblin min cond.

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Back to n -th time marginals

$$f(X'_0, \dots, X'_n) = f'(X'_n) \quad \rightharpoonup \quad \gamma_n(f) = \gamma'_n(f')$$

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Some application domains

Signal processing/Bayesian inference/machine learning/Physics/Risk-rare events/Maths-bio/...

▷ Filtering/smoothing, tube conditioning, self-avoiding RW,
"quasi"-invariant, rare events, level splitting, interacting MCMC, ground states, leading eigen-triple Schrodinger semigroups, ...

Real world examples (discrete time):

$$G'_n(x'_n) = p(y_n|x'_n) \quad G'_n = 1_{A_n} \quad G_n(x_0, \dots, x_n) = 1_{x_n \notin \{x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}\}}$$

$$G_n = e^{-(\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n)V} \quad \& \quad M_n = MCMC \quad \text{target} \propto e^{-\beta_n V} \quad \dots$$

Calculations/Approximations of the measure γ_t ?

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i.i.d. copies of branching process \rightsquigarrow very bad news for the computer

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with (non unique) the generator $\bar{L}_t = \mathcal{L}_{t,\eta_t}$ of \bar{X}_t given (example) by

$$\mathcal{L}_{t,\eta_t}(f)(x) := L_t(f)(x)$$

$$+ V_t^d(x) \int (f(y) - f(x)) \eta_t(dy) + \int (f(y) - f(x)) V_t^b(y) \eta_t(dy)$$

More good news

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Time average formula

$$\frac{1}{t} \log \gamma_t(1) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \eta_s(U_s) ds$$

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For any choice $\mathcal{L}_{t,\eta}$ satisfying the compatibility condition

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3-rd Good news

→ mean field "continuous-time sampler" $\xi_t = (\xi_t^i)_{1 \leq i \leq N} \in E_t^N$!

$$\mathcal{G}_t(F)(x_1, \dots, x_N) := \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \mathcal{L}_{t,m(x)}(F_{x_{-i}})(x_i)$$

with $x_{-i} = (x_j)_{j \in \{1, \dots, N\} - \{i\}}$ and

$$m(x) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{x_i} \quad \& \quad F_{x_{-i}}(\textcolor{red}{x_i}) = F(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \textcolor{red}{x_i}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_N)$$

More good news

4-th Good news \rightarrow path-space/historical = Genealogical trees!

$$\xi_t^i = (\xi_{s,t}^i)_{0 \leq s \leq t} \quad \text{with} \quad \xi_{s,t}^i = \text{ancestor of } \xi_{t,t}^i \text{ at level } s$$



Occupation measure of the ancestral tree:

$$m(\xi_t) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{\xi_t^i} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \delta_{(\xi_{s,t}^i)_{0 \leq s \leq t}}$$

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Mimicking the formula

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$$\mathbb{E}(\gamma_t^N(f)) = \gamma_t(f) \quad \text{EVEN IF} \quad \mathbb{E}(\eta_t^N(f)) = \eta_t(f) + O(1/N)$$

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Back to perturbation analysis ↵ Need to study the stability of
 $\eta_t := \Phi_{s,t}(\eta_s)$

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Stability of the normalized sg $\Phi_{s,t}$

Key observation

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with the triangular array of Markov transitions

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$(0 < H/V \in \mathcal{B}_0(E) \text{ & } \mu_0 = \mu \in \mathcal{P}_V(E)) \rightsquigarrow \text{Rank one operators}$

$$T_{s,t}^{\mu,H}(f) := \frac{Q_{s,t}(H)}{\mu_s(Q_{s,t}(1))} \mu_t(f)$$

$$\implies \sup_{\|f\|_V \leq 1} \left\| \frac{Q_{s,t}(f)}{\mu_s Q_{s,t}(1)} - T_{s,t}^{\mu,H}(f) \right\|_V \leq c_H(\mu) e^{-b(t-s)}$$

$H = 1$ and $E = \mathbb{R}^n$ (no Dirichlet but random sg) \subset N. Witheley [AAP-13]

Time homogenous: \exists leading-triple (ρ, h, η_∞) / "QSD" / ...

$$\eta_\infty = \Phi_t(\eta_\infty) \quad \text{and} \quad Q_t(h) = e^{\rho t} h$$

and for $H = h$ and $\mu = \eta_\infty$ the above yields

$$\sup_{\|f\|_V \leq 1} \left\| e^{-\rho t} Q_t(f) - \frac{h}{\eta_\infty(h)} \eta_\infty(f) \right\|_V \leq c e^{-\lambda t}$$

Some refs/links

*Stability positive semigroups/finite block propagation chaos/expo.
concentration/empirical processes/large deviations, sharp bias
 $1/N^k$ -expansions (\rightsquigarrow Romberg-Richardson interpolation), discrete time
stochastic interpolation, McKean-Vlasov/interacting diffusions,
stochastic/Kushner-Strato nonlinear PDE,...*

Discrete time (+continuous)

- ▶ First old studies: (1996), + A. Guionnet (1998), + Crisan/Lyons (1998), + Ledoux (2000), + L. Miclo (2000), + Jacod/Protter (2001), + Dawson (2005)...
- ▶ Books +refs: Feynman-Kac (2004), Mean field simulation (2013), Stoch. Proc. from applications to theory (+Penev 2016).

Some refs/links

Continuous time (+discrete)

- ▶ +Miclo (Sem. prob. 2000, Fac. Toulouse-02 + ESAIM-03)
- ▶ +Arnaudon, Particle Gibbs (18) + EJP (20)
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More on stochastic interpolations

- ▶ Backward Ito-Ventzell and stochastic interpolation formulae - Arxiv-19; SPA-22. (CRAS-20).