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# **Feynman-Kac particle models**

## **Coalescent tree based functional representations**

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↪ *Coalescent tree based functional representations for some Feynman-Kac particle models*

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## Introduction

- Evolutionary models and Feynman-Kac formulae
- Genetic genealogical models and Feynman-Kac limiting measures
- **Functional representations  $\simeq$  precise propagations of chaos expansions.**
  - *Combinatorial differential calculus*
  - *Permutation group analysis of (colored) forests*  
(wreath product of permutation groups, Hilbert series techniques,...)
- (Applications).

*Discrete time models  $\rightsquigarrow$  Continuous time version = Moran type genetic models*

**( $\sim$  joint works with L. Miclo, see also [PhD $\oplus$  articles] M. Rousset)**

## Evolutionary type models

<b>Simple Genetic Branching Algo.</b>	<i>Mutation</i>    <i>Selection/Branching</i>
<b>Metropolis-Hastings Algo.</b>	<i>Proposal</i>    <i>Acceptance/Rejection</i>
<b>Sequential Monte Carlo methods</b>	<i>Sampling</i>    <i>Resampling (SIR)</i>
<b>Filtering/Smoothing</b>	<i>Prediction</i>    <i>Updating/Correction</i>
<b>Particle <math>\in</math> Absorbing Medium</b>	<i>Evolution</i>    <i>Killing/Creation/Anhiling</i>

Other Botanical Names: multi-level splitting (Khan-Harris 51), prune enrichment (Rosenbluth 1955), switching algo. (Magill 65), matrix reconfiguration (Hetherington 84), restart (Villen-Altamirano 91), particle filters (Rigal-Salut-DM 92), SIR filters (Gordon-Salmon-Smith 93, Kitagawa 96), go-with-the-winner (Vazirani-Aldous 94), ensemble Kalman-filters (Evensen 1994), quantum Monte Carlo methods (Melik-Nightingale 1999), sequential Monte Carlo Methods (Arnaud Doucet 2001), spawning filters (Fisher-Maybeck 2002), SIR Pilot Exploration Resampling (Liu-Zhang 2002),...

# $\iff$ Particle Interpretations of Feynman-Kac models

Since R. Feynman's *phD. on path integrals 1942*

Physics  $\iff$  Biology  $\iff$  Engineering Sciences  $\iff$  Probability/Statistics

- **Physics :**

- $FKS \in$  nonlinear integro-diff. éq. ( $\sim$  generalized Boltzmann models).
- Spectral analysis of Schrödinger operators and large matrices with nonnegative entries. (particle evolutions in disordered/absorbing media)
- Multiplicative Dirichlet problems with boundary conditions.
- Microscopic and macroscopic interacting particle interpretations.

- **Biology:**

- Self-avoiding walks, macromolecular polymerizations.
- Branching and genetic population models.
- Coalescent and Genealogical evolutions.

- **Rare events analysis:**

- Multisplitting and branching particle models (Restart).
- Importance sampling and twisted probability measures.
- Genealogical tree based simulation methods.

- **Advanced Signal processing:**

- Optimal filtering/smoothing/regulation, open loop optimal control.
- Interacting Kalman-Bucy filters.
- Stochastic and adaptative grid approximation-models

- **Statistics/Probability:**

- Restricted Markov chains (w.r.t terminal values, visiting regions,...)
- Analysis of Boltzmann-Gibbs type distributions (simulation, partition functions,...).
- Random search evolutionary algorithms, interacting Metropolis/simulated annealing algo.

## Simple Genetic evolution/simulation models $\longrightarrow$ only 2 ingredients!!

(Discrete time parameter  $n \in \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , state spaces  $E_n$  ( $\in \{\mathbb{Z}^d, \mathbb{R}^d, \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^d \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^d}_{(n+1)\text{-times}}, \dots\}$ )

- *Mutation/exploration/prediction/proposal* :

$\longrightarrow$  Markov transitions  $M_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$  from  $E_{n-1}$  into  $E_n$ .

- *Selection/absorption/updating/acceptance* :

$\longrightarrow$  Potential functions  $G_n$  from  $E_n$  into  $[0, 1]$ .

**A Genetic Evolution Model**  $\Rightarrow$  Markov chain  $\xi_n = (\xi_n^1, \dots, \xi_n^N) \in E_n^N = \underbrace{E_n \times \dots \times E_n}_{N\text{-times}}$

$$\xi_n \in E_n^N \xrightarrow{\text{selection}} \widehat{\xi}_n \in E_n^N \xrightarrow{\text{mutation}} \xi_{n+1} \in E_{n+1}^N$$

- **Selection transition** ( $\exists \neq$  types  $\rightarrow$  Ex.: accept/reject)

$$\xi_n^i \rightsquigarrow \widehat{\xi}_n^i = \xi_n^i \quad \text{with proba. } G_n(\xi_n^i) \quad \textbf{[Acceptance]}$$

Otherwise we select a better fitted individual in the current configuration

$$\widehat{\xi}_n^i = \xi_n^j \quad \text{with proba. } G_n(\xi_n^j) / \sum_{k=1}^N G_n(\xi_n^k) \quad \textbf{[Rejection + Selection]}$$

- **Mutation transition**

$$\widehat{\xi}_n^i \rightsquigarrow \xi_{n+1}^i \sim M_{n+1}(\widehat{\xi}_n^i, \cdot)$$

## A Genealogical tree model

*Important observation* [Historical process]

$$X'_n \in E'_n \quad \text{Markov chain}$$

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$$X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \in E_n = (E'_0 \times \dots \times E'_n) \quad \text{Markov chain} \in \text{path spaces}$$

→ *Markov transitions*  $M_n(x_{n-1}, dx_n)$  [elementary extensions]

$$X_{n+1} = ((X'_0, \dots, X'_n), X'_{n+1}) = (X_n, X'_{n+1})$$



## Genetic Evolution Model on Path Spaces = Genealogical tree model

$$X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \quad \text{Markov transitions } M_n \quad \text{and} \quad G_n(X_n) = G'_n(X'_n)$$

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Genetic path-valued particle Model

$$\begin{cases} \xi_n^i &= (\xi_{0,n}^i, \xi_{1,n}^i, \dots, \xi_{n,n}^i) \\ \widehat{\xi}_n^i &= (\widehat{\xi}_{0,n}^i, \widehat{\xi}_{1,n}^i, \dots, \widehat{\xi}_{n,n}^i) \in E_n = (E'_0 \times \dots \times E'_n) \end{cases}$$

- Path acceptance/(rejection+selection).
- Path mutation = path elementary extensions.

**Occupation/Empirical measures** ( $\forall f_n$  test function on  $E_n$ )

$$\eta_n^N(f_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f_n(\xi_n^i) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f_n \underbrace{(\xi_{0,n}^i, \xi_{1,n}^i, \dots, \xi_{n,n}^i)}_{i\text{-th ancestral lines}}$$

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*Unbias-particle measures & Unnormalized Feynman-Kac measures :*

$$\gamma_n^N(f_n) = \eta_n^N(f_n) \times \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n(f_n) = \mathbb{E}(f_n(X_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p))$$

**Notes:**

- $f_n = 1 \Rightarrow \gamma_n^N(1) = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n(1) = \mathbb{E}(\prod_{0 \leq p < n} G_p(X_p))$
- *Path-space models*

$$[ X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \text{ and } G_n(X_n) = G'_n(X'_n) ] \Rightarrow \gamma_n(f_n) = \mathbb{E}(f_n(X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G'_p(X'_p))$$

$\implies$  Occupation measure & Normalized Feynman-Kac measures:

$$\eta_n^N(f_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f_n(\xi_n^i) = \gamma_n^N(f_n) / \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1}) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \eta_n(f_n) = \gamma_n(f_n) / \gamma_n(\mathbf{1})$$

Path-space models

$$[ X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \text{ and } G_n(X_n) = G'_n(X'_n) ]$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\eta_n(f_n) = \frac{\mathbb{E}(f_n(X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \prod_{0 \leq p < n} G'_p(X'_p))}{\mathbb{E}(\prod_{0 \leq p < n} G'_p(X'_p))}$$

Note:

$$\gamma_n(f_n) = \eta_n(f_n) \times \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p(G_p) \quad (\leftarrow \gamma_n^N(f_n) = \eta_n^N(f_n) \times \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p))$$

**Motivating example** → filtering/hidden Markov chains/Bayesian Stat.

Signal process  $X_n = \text{Markov chain} \in E_n$

Observation/Sensor eq.  $Y_n = H_n(X_n, V_n) \in F_n$  with  $\mathbb{P}(H_n(x_n, V_n) \in dy_n) = g_n(x_n, y_n) \lambda_n(dy_n)$

*Example:*  $Y_n = h_n(X_n) + V_n \in F_n = \mathbb{R}$ , with Gaussian noise  $V_n = \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

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$$\mathbb{P}(h_n(x_n) + V_n \in dy_n) = (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(y_n - h_n(x_n))^2} dy_n = \underbrace{\exp [h_n(x_n)y_n - h_n^2(x_n)/2]}_{g_n(x_n, y_n)} \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(0, 1)(dy_n)}_{\lambda_n(dy_n)}$$

**Prediction/filtering/smoothing** → Feynman-Kac representation  $G_n(x_n) = g_n(x_n, y_n)$

$$\eta_n = \text{Law}(X_n \mid Y_0 = y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1} = y_{n-1}) = \text{Law}(X'_0, \dots, X'_n \mid Y_0 = y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1} = y_{n-1})$$

**Rather complete asymptotic theory**  $(n, N) \rightarrow \infty$  (usual LLN, CLT, LDP,...)

$\hookrightarrow$  *F-K Formulae, Genealogical and IPS, Springer (2004)* + References therein

Some examples:

- *Weak convergence* [ $p \geq 1$  +  $\mathcal{F}_n$  not too large + regular mutations]  
(JTP 2000, joint work with M. Ledoux)

$$\sup_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{f_n \in \mathcal{F}_n} |\eta_n^N(f_n) - \eta_n(f_n)|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq c(p) / \sqrt{N}$$

$$Ex : E_n = \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathcal{F}_n = \{ \mathbf{1}_{]-\infty, x]} ; x \in \mathbb{R} \} \Rightarrow \sup_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\eta_n^N(\mathbf{1}_{]-\infty, x]} - \eta_n(\mathbf{1}_{]-\infty, x]})|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq c(p) / \sqrt{N}$$

- *Propagation-of-chaos estimates* [ $q \leq N$  finite block size]  
(TVP+SIAM PTA 2006, joint work with A. Doucet)

$$\mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N := \text{Law}(\xi_n^1, \dots, \xi_n^q) \simeq \eta_n^{\otimes q} + \frac{1}{N} \partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q} \quad \text{with} \quad \partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q} \quad \text{signed meas. s.t.} \quad \sup_{n \geq 0} \|\partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q}\|_{\text{tv}} \leq c q^2$$

**Problem :**

**Pb :** Find a functional representation at any order?

$$\mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N \simeq \eta_n^{\otimes q} + \frac{1}{N} \partial^1 \mathbb{P}_{n,q} + \dots + \frac{1}{N^k} \partial^k \mathbb{P}_{n,q} + \frac{1}{N^{k+1}} \partial^{k+1} \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N$$

with a bounded remainder measure  $\sup_{N \geq 1} \|\partial^{k+1} \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N\|_{\text{tv}} < \infty$

*Consequences :*

- Sharp + strong propagations of chaos estimates at any order.
- Wick product formulae on forests.
- Sharp  $\mathbb{L}_p$ -mean error bounds.
- Law of large numbers for  $U$ -statistics for interacting processes.
- ...

## Tensor product measures

$$\rightsquigarrow (\eta_n^N)^{\otimes q} = \frac{1}{N^q} \sum_{a \in [N]^{[q]}} \delta_{\xi_n^a} \quad \text{and} \quad (\eta_n^N)^{\odot q} = \frac{1}{(N)_q} \sum_{a \in \langle q, N \rangle} \delta_{\xi_n^a}$$

with

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_n^a := (\xi_n^{a(1)}, \dots, \xi_n^{a(q)}) \\ [N]^{[q]} := N^q \text{ mappings } [q] := \{1, \dots, q\} \rightsquigarrow [N] := \{1, \dots, N\}; \\ \langle q, N \rangle := (N)_q := N! / (N - q)! \text{ one-to-one mappings} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{Note : } \mathbb{E}((\eta_n^N)^{\odot q}(F)) = \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N(F) \quad \text{and} \quad (\eta_n^N)^{\otimes q} = (\eta_n^N)^{\odot q} \left( \frac{1}{N^q} \sum_{b \in [q]^{[q]}} \frac{(N)_{|b|}}{(q)_{|b|}} D_b \right)$$

with  $|b| = \text{Card}(b([q]))$  and the coalescent-selection transitions

$$D_b(F)(x^1, \dots, x^q) := F(x^{b(1)}, \dots, x^{b(q)}) = F(x^b)$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\delta_{x^a} D_b(F) = D_a D_b(F)(x^a) = D_{ab}(F)(x) \iff D_a D_b = D_{ab}$$

**Proof :**

- $\forall c \in [N]^{[q]} \quad \exists (N - |c|)_{q-|c|} \times (q)_{|c|} \neq$  ways to write  $c = ab \in \langle q, N \rangle \circ [q]^{[q]}$
- $a \in \langle q, N \rangle \implies |b| = |c|$  and  $\frac{(N)_{|c|}}{(q)_{|c|}} \times \frac{(N-|c|)_{q-|c|} \times (q)_{|c|}}{(N)_q} = 1$



## Unnormalized (tensor product) measures

$$\gamma_n^N(f) := \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1}) \times \eta_n^N(f) \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1}) = \prod_{0 \leq p < n} \eta_p^N(G_p) \implies \eta_n^N(f) = \gamma_n^N(f) / \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1})$$

$\gamma_n^N \sim$  *Martingale end point* :

$$\mathbb{E}(\gamma_n^N(f)) = \gamma_n(f) \quad \text{but} \quad \mathbb{E}(\eta_n^N(f)) = \mathbb{P}_{n,1}^N(f) \neq \eta_n(f) \Rightarrow \text{bias}$$

**Proof :**

$$\mathbb{E}(\gamma_n^N(f) \mid \xi_{n-1}) = \gamma_{n-1}^N Q_n(f) \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_n^N(f) - \eta_n(f) = \underbrace{\frac{\gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1})}{\gamma_n(\mathbf{1})}}_{\neq 1} \times \gamma_n^N \left( \frac{1}{\gamma_n(\mathbf{1})} (f - \eta_n(f)) \right)$$

with the positive FKS operator  $Q_n(x, dy) = G_{n-1}(x)M_n(x, dy)$  ( $\rightarrow \gamma_n = \gamma_{n-1}Q_n$ )

## Unnormalized tensor product measures

$$\rightsquigarrow (\gamma_n^N)^{\otimes q} := \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1})^q \times (\eta_n^N)^{\otimes q} \quad \text{and} \quad (\gamma_n^N)^{\odot q} := \gamma_n^N(\mathbf{1})^q \times (\eta_n^N)^{\odot q}$$

### Lemma

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_{n,q}^N(F) &:= \mathbb{E}((\gamma_n^N)^{\otimes q}(F)) \\ &= \frac{1}{N^q} \sum_{a \in [q]^{[q]}} \frac{(N)_{|a|}}{(q)_{|a|}} \mathbb{Q}_{n-1,q}^N(Q_n^{\otimes q} D_a F) = \dots = \frac{1}{N^{q(n+1)}} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}_{n,q}} \frac{(\mathbf{N})_{|\mathbf{a}|}}{(\mathbf{q})_{|\mathbf{a}|}} \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}}(F) \end{aligned}$$

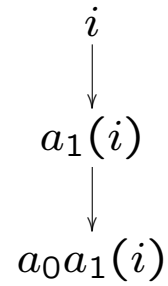
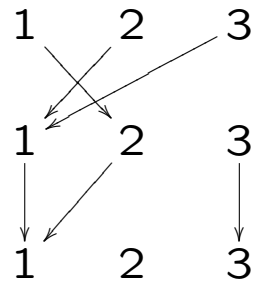
with the measure-valued functional

$$\Delta_{n,q} : \mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_n) \in \mathcal{A}_{n,q} \mapsto \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}} = (\eta_0^{\otimes q} D_{a_0} Q_1^{\otimes q} D_{a_1} \dots Q_n^{\otimes q} D_{a_n}) \in \mathcal{M}(E_n^q)$$

Traditional multi-index notation :

$|\mathbf{a}| = (|a_0|, \dots, |a_n|)$  and  $(\mathbf{N})_{|\mathbf{a}|} = (N)_{|a_0|} \dots (N)_{|a_n|}$  and  $|\mathbf{a}|! = |a_0|! \dots |a_n|!$  and so on.

Example  $q = 3$  :



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{a} = (a_0, a_1) \Rightarrow \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}}(F) &= \int \eta_0(dx^1)\eta_0(dx^2)\eta_0(dx^3) \\
 &\quad Q_1(x^1, dy^1)Q_1(x^1, dy^2)Q_1(x^3, dy^3) \\
 &\quad Q_2(y^1, dz^2)Q_2(y^1, dz^3)Q_2(y^2, dz^1)F(z^1, z^2, z^3)
 \end{aligned}$$

## Stirling Formula

$$(N)_p = \sum_{l \leq p} s(p, l) N^l \implies \forall \mathbf{p} = (p_0, \dots, p_{n+1}) \quad (\mathbf{N})_{\mathbf{p}} = \sum_{\mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{p}} s(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{l}) N^{|\mathbf{l}|}$$

Consequence :

(with  $|\mathbf{p}| =: \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} p_k$  and  $\mathbf{q} = (q)_{0 \leq k \leq n}$ )

$$\mathbb{Q}_{n,q}^N(F) = \sum_{\mathbf{r} < \mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r} \leq \mathbf{p} \leq \mathbf{q}} s(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}) \frac{1}{N^{|\mathbf{r}|}} \frac{1}{(\mathbf{q})_{\mathbf{p}}} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}_{n,q}: |\mathbf{a}| = \mathbf{p}} \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}}(F)$$

**Def :**

$$\mathcal{A}_{n,q}(\mathbf{r}) := \{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}_{n,q} : |\mathbf{a}| \geq \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}\} \text{ (less than } \mathbf{r} \text{ coalescences)}$$

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**Th:**

$$Q_{n,q}^N = \gamma_n^{\otimes q} + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq (q-1)(n+1)} \frac{1}{N^k} \partial^k Q_{n,q}$$

with the measure valued partial derivatives

$$\partial^k Q_{n,q} = \sum_{\mathbf{r} < \mathbf{q} : |\mathbf{r}|=k} \sum_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathcal{A}_{n,q}(\mathbf{r})} s(|\mathbf{a}|, \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}) \frac{1}{(\mathbf{q})_{|\mathbf{a}|}} \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}}$$

## Symmetric group left action

$$\mathbf{s} = (s_0, \dots, s_{n+1}) \in \mathcal{G}_q^{n+2} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{a}) := (s_0 a_0 s_1^{-1}, s_1 a_1 s_2^{-1}, \dots, s_n a_n s_{n+1}^{-1})$$

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$$\text{(on sym. test functions)} \quad \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{a}} = \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{a})} \quad \Leftrightarrow \text{(leaves re-labelling)}$$

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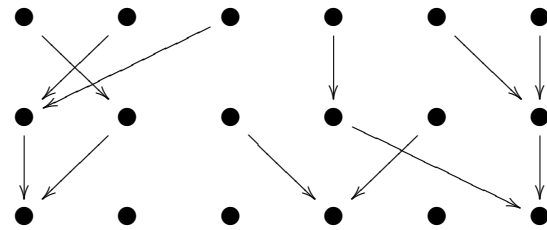
Note :  $\mathcal{A}_{n,q}/\sim \simeq$  weakly increasing maps sequences  $\simeq$  Forests  $\mathcal{F}_{n,q}$

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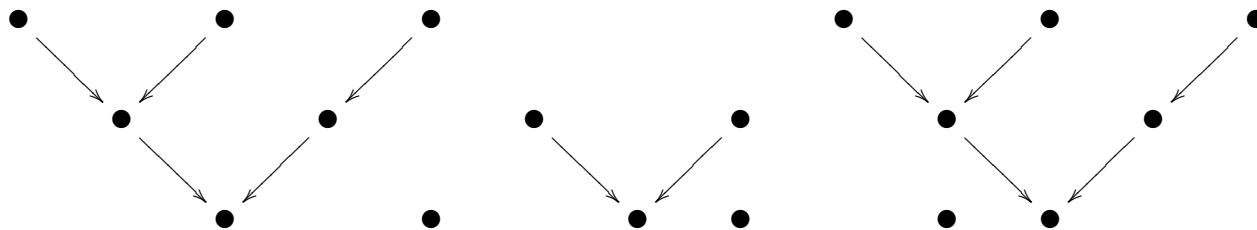
$$\partial^k Q_{n,q} = \sum_{\mathbf{r} < \mathbf{q}; |\mathbf{r}|=k} \sum_{\mathbf{f} \in \mathcal{F}_{n,q}(\mathbf{r})} \frac{1}{(\mathbf{q})_{|\mathbf{f}|}} s(|\mathbf{f}|, \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}) \#(\mathbf{f}) \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{f}}$$

with  $\#(\mathbf{f}) :=$  nb of elts in the equivalence class ( $\mathcal{A}_{n,q} \simeq$  entangled graphs:=jungles)

**Example :**



*Figure 1:* The entangled graph representation of a jungle with the same underlying graph as the planar forest in Fig. 2.



*Figure 2:* a graphical representation of a planar forest  $f = t_1 t_3 t_2 t_3 t_1$  in terms of planar trees (corresponding forest  $t_1^2 t_2 t_3^3 = \text{normal form}$ ).

**Definitions :**

$B(t)$  = the forest deduced from cutting the root of tree  $t$   
 $B^{-1}(f)$  = the tree deduced from the forest  $f$  by adding a root.

*Symmetry multisets :*

$$t = B^{-1}(t_1^{m_1} \dots t_k^{m_k}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{S}(t) := (m_1, \dots, m_k)$$

$$\mathbf{S}(t_1^{m_1} \dots t_k^{m_k}) := \left( \underbrace{\mathbf{S}(t_1), \dots, \mathbf{S}(t_1)}_{m_1\text{-terms}}, \dots, \underbrace{\mathbf{S}(t_k), \dots, \mathbf{S}(t_k)}_{m_k\text{-terms}} \right)$$

↓ (class formula + recursive multiplication principles)

**Th. [closed formula]:**

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{F}_{q,n} \quad \#(f) = (q!)^{n+2} / \prod_{i=-1}^n \mathbf{S}(B^i(f))!$$

⊕ (Hilbert series tech.  $\rightsquigarrow$   $\#$  forests with a given type )



**Definitions :**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{B}_0^{sym}(E_n^q) &= F \text{ on } E_n^q \text{ such that } \int F(x_1, \dots, x_{q-1}, x_q) \gamma_n(dx_q) = 0. \\
 \mathbf{t}_k &= \text{the tree with a single coal. at level } k \text{ (its two leaves at level } (n+1)) \\
 \mathbf{u}_k &= \text{the trivial tree of height } k.
 \end{aligned}$$

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**Cor.:**  $\forall q$  even  $\leq N$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{B}_0^{sym}(E_n^q)$

$$\forall k < q/2 \quad \partial^k Q_{n,q}(F) = 0, \quad \partial^{q/2} Q_{n,q}(F) = \sum_{\mathbf{r} < \mathbf{q}, |\mathbf{r}| = \frac{q}{2}} \frac{q!}{2^{q/2} \mathbf{r}!} \Delta_{n,q}^{\mathbf{f}_r} F$$

with

$$\mathbf{r} = (r_k)_{0 \leq k \leq n} < \mathbf{q} = (q)_{0 \leq k \leq n} \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{f}_r := \mathbf{t}_0^{r_0} \mathbf{u}_0^{r_0} \dots \mathbf{t}_n^{r_n} \mathbf{u}_n^{r_n}$$

( $\forall q$  odd  $\leq N$ , the partial derivatives are the null measure on  $\mathcal{B}_0^{sym}(E_n^q)$ , up to any order  $k \leq \lfloor q/2 \rfloor$ )  $\oplus$  ( $\exists$  Gaussian field interpretation)

**Extension**  $\mathbb{Q}_{n,q}^N \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{P}_{n,q}^N$  :

Same type of results + a remainder unif. bounded measure

→  $\sim$  techniques  $\oplus$  3 main ingredients

- $\mathbb{E}((\gamma_n^N)^{\otimes q}(F)) \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{E}([\gamma_0^N]^{\otimes q_0} \otimes \dots \otimes (\gamma_n^N)^{\otimes q_n}](F))$
- Forests  $\rightsquigarrow$  colored forests
- $\gamma_n^N \rightsquigarrow \eta_n^N \implies$  renormalisation techniques.

## **Applications :**

- Particle physics (absorbing medium, ground states)
- Biology (polymers, macromolecules)
- Statistics (particle simulation, restricted Markov, target distributions)
- Rare event analysis (importance sampling, multilevel branching)
- Signal processing, filtering

**Particle physics: Markov  $X_n \in$  Absorbing medium  $G(x) = e^{-V(x)} \in [0, 1]$**

$$X_n^c \in E^c = E \cup \{c\} \xrightarrow{\text{absorption}} \widehat{X}_n^c \xrightarrow{\text{exploration}} X_{n+1}^c$$

*Absorption/killing:*  $\rightarrow \widehat{X}_n^c = X_n^c$ , with proba  $G(X_n^c)$ ; otherwise the particle is killed and  $\widehat{X}_n^c = c$ .

$\Downarrow$

$A = \{x : G(x) = 0\} \rightarrow$  Hard obstacles

$T = \inf \{n \geq 0 ; \widehat{X}_n^c = c\} \rightarrow$  Absorption time  $X_{T+n}^c = \widehat{X}_{T+n}^c = c$

$\implies$  Feynman-Kac models  $(G, X_n) : \gamma_n = \text{Law}(X_n^c ; T \geq n)$  and  $\gamma_n(1) = \text{Proba}(T \geq n)$

$\Downarrow$

$$\eta_n = \text{Law}(X_n^c \mid T \geq n) = \text{Law}((X_0^{lc}, \dots, X_n^{lc}) \mid T \geq n)$$

## Biology: Macromolecules and Directed Polymers

- *Self avoiding walks*  $X'_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$

$$X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \quad \text{and} \quad G_n(X_n) = 1_{\notin\{X'_0, \dots, X'_{n-1}\}}(X'_n)$$

$$\gamma_n(1) = \text{Proba}(\forall 0 \leq p \neq q \leq n, X'_p \neq X'_q) \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_n = \text{Law}(X'_0, \dots, X'_n \mid \forall 0 \leq p \neq q \leq n, X'_p \neq X'_q)$$

- *Edwards' model*

$$X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \quad \text{and} \quad G_n(X_n) = \exp \left\{ -\beta \sum_{0 \leq p < n} 1_{X'_p}(X'_n) \right\}$$

## Statistics: Sequential MCMC and Feynman-Kac-Metropolis models

Metropolis potential [ $\pi$  target measure]+[( $K, L$ ) pair Markov transitions]

$$G(y_1, y_2) = \frac{\pi(dy_2)L(y_2, dy_1)}{\pi(dy_1)K(y_1, dy_2)}$$

Ex.  $\pi$  Gibbs measure:

$$\pi(dy) \propto e^{-V(y)} \lambda(dy) \Rightarrow G(y_1, y_2) = e^{(V(y_1)-V(y_2))} \frac{\lambda(dy_2)L(y_2, dy_1)}{\lambda(dy_1)K(y_1, dy_2)}$$

Note: ( $K = L$   $\lambda$  - reversible) or ( $\lambda K = \lambda$  and  $L(y_2, dy_1) = \lambda(dy_1) \frac{dK(y_1, \cdot)}{d\lambda}(y_2)$ )

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$$G(y_1, y_2) = \exp(V(y_1) - V(y_2))$$

Notation  $\mathbb{E}_\nu^M(\cdot)$  = Expectation w.r.t. Markov [transition  $M$ , initial condition  $\nu$ ]

**Theorem:** (Time reversal formula), [A. Doucet, P.DM; (Séminaire Probab. 2003)]

$$\mathbb{E}_\pi^L(f_n(Y_n, Y_{n-1}, \dots, Y_0) | Y_n = y) = \frac{\mathbb{E}_y^K(f_n(Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_n) \{\prod_{0 \leq p < n} G(Y_p, Y_{p+1})\})}{\mathbb{E}_y^K(\{\prod_{0 \leq p < n} G(Y_p, Y_{p+1})\})}$$

**In addition :**

⊕ *FK-Metropolis  $n$ -marginal:*  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \eta_n = \pi$  (cv. decays  $\perp \pi$ )

⊕ *Nonhomogeneous models:*  $(\pi_n, L_n, K_n)$

$\pi_n(dy) \propto e^{-\beta_n V(y)} \lambda(dy)$ , cooling schedule  $\beta_n \uparrow \infty$ , mutation s.t.  $\pi_n = \pi_n K_n$ , and  $\text{Law}(X_0) = \pi_0$

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$$G_n(y_1, y_2) = \exp [-(\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n)V(y_1)] \implies \eta_n = \pi_n$$

## Rare events analysis

- Importance sampling and Twisted Feynman-Kac measures

$$\mathbb{P}(V_n(X_n) \geq a) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{1}_{V_n(X_n) \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n(X_n)} e^{+\beta_n V_n(X_n)})$$

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*Importance potentials/measures:*

$$G_n(X_n, X_{n+1}) = e^{\beta_n(V_{n+1}(X_{n+1}) - V_n(X_n))} \implies \mathbb{P}(V_n(X_n) \geq a) = \gamma_n(\mathbf{1}_{V_n \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n})$$

**In addition:**

$$\mathbb{E}(f_n(X_n) \mid V_n(X_n) \geq a) = \eta_n(f_n \mathbf{1}_{V_n \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n}) / \eta_n(\mathbf{1}_{V_n \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n})$$

⊕ Path-space models  $\Rightarrow$  weighted genealogies

$$X_n = (X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \text{ and } V_n(X_n) = V'_n(X'_n)$$

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$$\mathbb{E}(f_n(X'_0, \dots, X'_n) \mid V'_n(X'_n) \geq a) = \eta_n(f_n \mathbf{1}_{V_n \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n}) / \eta_n(\mathbf{1}_{V_n \geq a} e^{-\beta_n V_n})$$



- **Multi-splitting Feynman-Kac models** ( $\neq$  importance sampling)

$(E = A \cup A^c)$ ,  $Y_n$  Markov,  $Y_0 \in A_0 (\subset A) \rightsquigarrow A^c = (B \cup C)$ ,  $C =$  absorbing set/hard obstacle

*Multi-level decomposition*  $B = B_m \subset \dots \subset B_1 \subset B_0$  ( $A_0 = B_1 - B_0$ ,  $B_0 \cap C = \emptyset$ )

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$$\mathbb{P}(Y_n \text{ hits } B \text{ before } C) = \mathbb{E}\left(\prod_{1 \leq p \leq m} G_p(X_p)\right)$$

*Inter-level excursions* :  $T_n = \inf \{p \geq T_{n-1} : Y_p \in B_n \cup C\}$

$$X_n = (Y_p ; T_{n-1} \leq p \leq T_n) \in \text{Excursion space} \quad G_n(X_n) = 1_{B_n}(Y_{T_n})$$

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**FK interpretation**

$$\mathbb{E}(f(Y_0, \dots, Y_{T_m}) 1_{B_m}(X_{T_m})) = \mathbb{E}(f(X_0, \dots, X_m) \prod_{1 \leq p \leq m} G_p(X_p))$$

**Advanced signal processing** → filtering/hidden Markov chains/Bayesian methodology

Signal process  $X_n = \text{Markov chain} \in E_n$

Observation/Sensor eq.  $Y_n = H_n(X_n, V_n) \in F_n$  with  $\mathbb{P}(H_n(x_n, V_n) \in dy_n) = g_n(x_n, y_n) \lambda_n(dy_n)$

*Example:*  $Y_n = h_n(X_n) + V_n \in F_n = \mathbb{R}$ , with Gaussian noise  $V_n = \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

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$$\mathbb{P}(h_n(x_n) + V_n \in dy_n) = (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(y_n - h_n(x_n))^2} dy_n = \underbrace{\exp [h_n(x_n)y_n - h_n^2(x_n)/2]}_{g_n(x_n, y_n)} \underbrace{\mathcal{N}(0, 1)(dy_n)}_{\lambda_n(dy_n)}$$

**Prediction/filtering/smoothing** → Feynman-Kac representation  $G_n(x_n) = g_n(x_n, y_n)$

$$\eta_n = \text{Law}(X_n \mid Y_0 = y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1} = y_{n-1}) = \text{Law}(X'_0, \dots, X'_n \mid Y_0 = y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1} = y_{n-1})$$

## Partially linear/Gaussian models

$$X_n^1 = \text{Markov} \in E_n \quad + \quad \begin{cases} X_n^2 = A_n(X_n^1) X_{n-1}^2 + a_n(X_n^1) + B_n(X_n^1) W_n \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ Y_n = C_n(X_n^1) X_n^2 + c_n(X_n^1) + D_n(X_n^1) V_n \in \mathbb{R}^{d'} \end{cases}$$

Given a realization  $X^1 = x \rightarrow$  *Kalman-Bucy optimal one step predictor*

$$\hat{X}_{x,n+1}^{2-} = \mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}^2 \mid Y_0, \dots, Y_n, X^1 = x) \quad \text{and} \quad P_{x,n+1}^- = \mathbb{E}([X_{n+1}^2 - \hat{X}_{x,n+1}^{2-}][X_{n+1}^2 - \hat{X}_{x,n+1}^{2-}]')$$

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**Quenched Kalman-Bucy recursion:**  $(\hat{X}_{x,n+1}^{2-}, P_{x,n+1}^-) = \mathcal{B}_{n+1}[(x_n, x_{n+1}), (\hat{X}_{x,n}^{2-}, P_{x,n}^-)]$

**Feynman-Kac representation:**  $\eta_n \sim (\mathbf{X}_n, \mathbf{G}_n)$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_n &= (X_n^1, (\widehat{X}_{X^1, n+1}^{2-}, P_{X^1, n+1}^-)) \text{ Markov chain} \in \mathbf{E}_n = (E_n \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}) \\ \mathbf{G}_n(x, m, P) &= \frac{d\mathcal{N}(C_n(x) m + c_n(x), C_n(x) P C_n(x)' + D_n(x) R_n^v D_n(x)')}{d\mathcal{N}(0, D_n(x) R_n^v D_n(x)')} (y_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Downarrow \text{ [virtual sensor : } Y_n = \{C_n(X_n^1) \widehat{X}_{X^1, n}^{2-} + c_n(X_n^1)\} + \widehat{V}_{X^1, n} \text{ ]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_n(x, m, P) = f_n(x) &\implies \eta_n(F_n) = \mathbb{E}(f_n(X_n^1) \mid Y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1}) \\ F_n(x, m, P) = \mathcal{N}(m, P)(f_n) &\implies \eta_n(F_n) = \mathbb{E}(f_n(X_n^2) \mid Y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1}) \end{aligned}$$

**Note:**  $\rightsquigarrow$  Interacting Kalman-Bucy filters and for path-space models we have

$$X_n^1 = (X_0^1, \dots, X_n^1) \rightsquigarrow \text{Law}((X_0^1, \dots, X_n^1) \mid Y_0, \dots, Y_{n-1})$$