

# Infinite-dimensional Bayesian inference for time evolution PDEs

## I. Introd

### I.1. Non-linear dynamics

$$\Omega = (0,1]^d, \Delta = \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial^2}{(\partial x_i)^2}, L^2(\Omega), H^1_0(\Omega)$$

$$L^2_0 = L^2 \cap \{h: \int_{\Omega} h dx = 0\} \quad \{h: \int_{\Omega} h = 0\} \quad \{h: h=0\}$$

$$\rho: L^2 \rightarrow L^2_0 \text{ (projection operator)}$$

Initial condition  $\Theta = u(0, \cdot)$

Consider  $(u_0(x): t \in [0, T], x \in \Omega)$  solves

a PDE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u - f(u) = 0 \text{ on } (0, T] \times \Omega$$

(reaction-diffusion model) due  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Look at  $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$

or in  $d=2$ :

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta u + B(u, u) = 0 \text{ on } (0, T] \times \Omega$$

$$\text{where } B(u, u) = \nabla(u \cdot \nabla)u, [u \cdot \nabla]u_i = \sum_{j=1}^2 u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}$$

Typically,  $\Theta \in H^1 \cap L^2_0 = H^1_0$ .

Proposition: Let  $\Theta \in H^1_0, T > 0$ , then  $\exists! u_0$  to these PDEs ( $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}), d=2$ ).

### I.2. Discrete observations

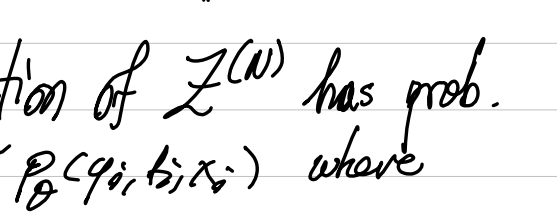
Consider  $(Y_i, t_i, X_i)_{i=1}^N$ ,  $N$  sample size follow a regression  $Y_i = u_0(t_i, X_i) + \varepsilon_i$  where  $\varepsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$  and independently "prob. numerizes"  $(t_i, X_i) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U([0, T] \times \Omega)$ , (Diaconis 1988).

Notation:  $Z^{(N)} := (Y_i, t_i, X_i)_{i=1}^N$

Data assimilation:  $L^2 \mathcal{Z}(2015)$

Goal: infer  $u_0(t)$  from  $Z^{(N)}$ , where (w.p.o.d.)

$$t = t(N) = \max_{i \leq N} t_i \rightarrow \text{filtering. estimator}$$



The joint distribution of  $Z^{(N)}$  has prob. density  $P_\Theta = \prod_{i=1}^N P_\Theta(y_i, t_i, x_i)$  where

$$P_\Theta(y_i, t_i, x_i) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(y_i - u_0(t_i, x_i))^2). \text{ The log-likelihood is } l_N(\Theta) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - u_0(t_i, x_i))^2$$

$$\Theta \in \mathcal{M} \subseteq H^1_0$$

Note:  $-l_N(\Theta)$  is not convex, so optimisation.

### I.3. Gaussian process priors.

For  $\Theta$  we consider "prior" Gaussian random fields  $(\Theta(x): x \in \Omega)$  over  $L^2_0$  of the form  $\Theta \sim \mathcal{GP} \sim N(0, \rho(\cdot, \cdot) - \Delta)^{-\gamma}$ ,  $\rho > 0$ ,  $\gamma > 1 + d/2$ , so  $\Theta \in H^1$  a.s. (in fact in  $H^1_0$  if  $\rho$  is nice).

$\hookrightarrow$  smoother modulation

If  $(e_j, \lambda_j)$  are o.b.  $\Delta e_j = -\lambda_j e_j$  then

$$\Theta = \rho \Theta' \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\sim} \rho \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j^{-\gamma} g_j e_j, g_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$$

Note we obtain a prior  $\pi_0 u_0$  in  $C([0, T], L^2(\Omega))$ .

### I.4. Posterior measures.

Suppose  $(\theta, t, x) \mapsto u_0(t, x)$  is jointly measurable for some  $\sigma$ -field over

$(\mathcal{M}) \times [0, T] \times \Omega$ , then  $P_\Theta^N(y, t, x)$  is jointly measurable and if we define a new density  $dQ$  on  $(\mathcal{M}) \times \mathbb{R} \times [0, T] \times \Omega$

$$dQ(\theta, y, t, x) = P_\Theta(y, t, x) dy dt dx d\pi_j(\theta)$$

to see that

(i)  $Z^{(N)} | \theta \sim P_\Theta^N$  and the posterior dist. is

$$(ii) \Theta | (Y_i, t_i, x_i)_{i=1}^N \sim \pi(\Theta | Z^{(N)}) \sim \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N P_\Theta(y_i, t_i, x_i)}{\int_{\mathcal{M}} \prod_{i=1}^N P_\Theta(y_i, t_i, x_i) d\pi_j(\theta)}$$

$$\sim e^{l_N(\Theta)} d\pi_j(\Theta).$$

$$(iii) u_0 | Z^{(N)} \sim \text{Law}(u_0: \Theta \sim \pi(\Theta | Z^{(N)})).$$

$$(\hat{T}_t: t \geq 0).$$

$\hat{T}_{t_N} \hookrightarrow \max_{i \leq N} t_i$  filtering distribution.

### I.5. Posterior computation

Note the MAP-estimate (formally)

$$l_N(\theta) + \exp \log d\pi_j(\theta) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - u_0(t_i, x_i))^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\Theta\|_{H^1_0}^2$$

Penalised least squares or Tikhonov regularisation. Still non-convex. Instead, let us compute the posterior mean  $E^\pi[\Theta | Z^{(N)}] = \hat{\Theta}_N$ , then solve  $u_0$  solving

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u - f(u) = 0 \text{ s.t. } u(0, \cdot) = \hat{\Theta}_N.$$

Idea: set up a Markov chain  $\mathcal{I}_k$  with invariant measure  $\pi(\cdot | Z^{(N)})$  and use

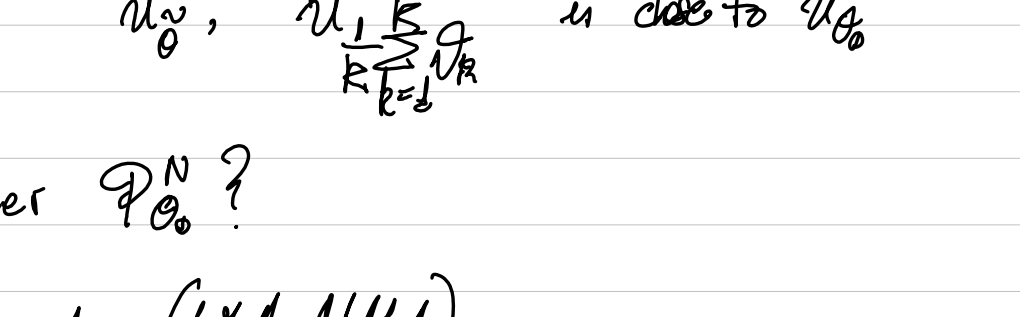
$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathcal{I}_k \text{ to 'estimate' } \hat{\Theta}_N.$$

Example: (pCN-algorithm). Start  $\mathcal{I}_0$ , step size  $\delta > 0$ . Compute

$$(1) \mathcal{I}_k = \mathcal{I}_{k-1} + \sqrt{2\delta} \xi, \xi \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$(2) \mathcal{I}_k := \mathcal{I}_{k-1} \text{ with prob. } \min(1, e^{\frac{\delta}{2} (l_N(\mathcal{I}_k) - l_N(\mathcal{I}_{k-1}))})$$

Prop: the Markov chain  $\mathcal{I}_k$  has invariant measure  $\pi(\cdot | Z^{(N)})$



Q's: Suppose  $\Theta_0$  is a ground truth initial condition, can we prove that

$$u_0, u_{1/K}, \dots, u_{K/K} \text{ is close to } u_0$$

under  $P_\Theta^N$ ?

### Example (ULA, MULA)

$$\Theta = \mathbb{R}^D, D \rightarrow \infty.$$

Start at  $\mathcal{I}_0$  and compute iterates

$$\mathcal{I}_{k+1} = \mathcal{I}_k - \delta \nabla \log \pi(\mathcal{I}_k | Z^{(N)}) + \delta \sum_{k=1}^K \xi_k$$

$$\xi_k \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1).$$

(approx) has invariant measure  $\pi(\cdot | Z^{(N)})$ , possibly after a M/H adjustment.

## I Posterior consistency for data assimilation

Aim for a posterior contraction result:

$$\pi(\theta: \|\theta - \theta_0\|_2 > M\delta_N | Z^{(N)}) \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\theta_0}^{\otimes N}} 0.$$

### I.1 Helinger distance

Define  $h^2(p, p_0) = \int (\sqrt{p} - \sqrt{p_0})^2 d\mu dx$ .

In our regression model we have

Lemma Suppose  $\Theta_0 \subseteq \Theta$  s.t.

$$\sup_{\alpha \in \Theta_0} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|u_\alpha(t, \cdot)\|_\infty \leq U.$$

then  $\exists C_U = \frac{1 - e^{-U^2/2}}{2U^2}$  s.t.

$$C_U \|u_\alpha - u_{\alpha_0}\|_{L_T^2} \leq h^2(p_\alpha, p_{\alpha_0}) \leq \frac{1}{4} \|u_\alpha - u_{\alpha_0}\|_{L_T^2}^2.$$

$$\|H\|_{L_T^2}^2 = \int_0^T \|HCE(\cdot) \mathcal{N}(\tilde{z}|\alpha)\|^2 dt.$$

Proof: Lecture notes Nikl'03.

One can show that  $\exists$  a test

$$\Psi_N = \Psi(Z^{(N)}) = \mathbb{I}_{A_N} \text{ s.t. } \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} E_{\theta_0}(\Psi_N) \leq e^{-cM^2 N \delta_N^2}$$

\*Type I error\*  $h(p_0, p_{\alpha_0}) > T\delta_N$

$$\text{if } \log N(\Theta_N, h, \varepsilon) \leq N\varepsilon^2 \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  covering numbers.

IDEA of the proof: (post-contraction)

$$\text{argue } 1/\text{denominator} \leq e^{-cN\delta_N^2} \mathbb{P}(\|u_\alpha - u_{\alpha_0}\|_{L_T^2} \geq \delta_N)$$

(once have then denom.  $\leq e^{-cN\delta_N^2} E_{\theta_0} e^{\frac{1}{4}\|u_\alpha - u_{\alpha_0}\|_{L_T^2}^2} (1 - \Psi_N + \Psi_N)$   $\xrightarrow{L_T^2}$

+ change of mean...

### II.2 The prior on $\mathcal{C}([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ .

Lemma: Let  $\Theta_0 \in H^\gamma$ , let  $\Pi = \Pi_\gamma$  be

$$N(\theta, \rho^2(-\Delta)^{-\gamma}) \text{ where } \rho = \rho_N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N\delta_N}},$$

$$\delta_N = N^{-\frac{\gamma}{2d+2}}, \rho_N \rightarrow 0.$$

Then, there exist  $A, c > 0$  s.t. for reaction

diffusion with  $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ , or Navier

Stokes we have:

$$\Pi(\theta: \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|u_\theta\|_\infty \leq U, \|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L_T^2} \leq \delta_N) \geq e^{-AN\delta_N^2}$$

and for  $0 < \beta < \gamma - d/2$ , and  $M$  large enough

$$\Pi(\theta: \|\theta\|_{H^\beta} \leq M, \theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2, \|\theta_1\|_{H^\beta} \leq M_1, \|\theta_2\|_{L^2} \leq M_2) \geq 1 - e^{-cM\delta_N}$$

Proof: 2)  $\theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N\delta_N}} \theta'$ ,  $\theta' \in H^\beta$  a.s.

(use Fernique theorem + Borell's iso-ineq. with

$$RHS = (\sqrt{N\delta_N} H^\beta).$$

For the first: since  $u_{\theta_0} \in L^\infty([0, T]; H^\gamma)$ , it

suffices to prove ① with  $\|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_\infty$ . We

have for  $\|\theta\|_{H^\beta} + \|\theta_0\|_{H^\beta} \leq U$  for some  $\beta > d/2$

the regularity estimate

$$\|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L_T^2}^2 \leq C_{U, \beta} \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{H^\beta}^2$$

The prob. in question is

$$\geq \Pi(\theta: \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{H^\beta} \leq \frac{U}{C_U}, \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{\delta_N}{C_U})$$

$$\stackrel{C_U}{\geq} e^{-N\delta_N^2 \|\theta_0\|_{H^\beta}^2} \Pi(\|\theta_0'\|_{H^\beta} \leq \sqrt{N\delta_N} \frac{U}{C_U}, \|\theta_0'\|_{L^2} \leq \sqrt{N\delta_N} \frac{\delta_N}{C_U})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Gaussian}}{\geq} e^{-cN\delta_N^2} \Pi(\|\theta_0'\|_{H^\beta} \leq \sqrt{N\delta_N} \frac{U}{C_U}) \cdot \Pi(\|\theta_0'\|_{L^2} \leq \sqrt{N\delta_N} \frac{\delta_N}{C_U})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Linde+Li, Ad, 1999}}{\geq} e^{-AN\delta_N^2}$$

□

From what precedes we have shown

$$\pi(\theta: \|\theta\|_{H^\beta} \leq M, \|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L_T^2} \leq M\delta_N | Z^{(N)})$$

$$\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\theta_0}} 1$$

Also, by UI,  $\|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L_T^2}^2 = O_p(\delta_N)$ ,

$$\bar{\theta} = E[\theta | Z^{(N)}]$$

### II.3 Stability estimates

For 2d N/S, we can obtain a differential

inequality for  $\Phi(t) = \|\nabla w(t)\|_{L^2}^2$  for

$w = u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}$ , an

estimate

Theorem: For  $\|\theta\|_{H^1} + \|\theta_0\|_{H^1} \leq U$ , and

$u_\theta(t), u_{\theta_0}(t)$  solutions to 2d N/S. Here

$\exists C_{U, \gamma}$  s.t.

$$\|\theta - \theta_0\|_{L^2} \leq C_{U, \gamma} \left( \frac{\log C_U}{\|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L^2}} \right)^{-1/2} \quad \forall t > 0$$

so for  $\|u_\theta(t) - u_{\theta_0}(t)\|_{L^2}$  replaced by

$$\|u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}\|_{L_T^2}^2.$$

Corollary: (Consistency of data assimilation)

$$\pi(\theta: \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T_p} \|u_\theta(t) - u_{\theta_0}(t)\|_{L^2} > \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\log N}} | Z^{(N)} )$$

$$\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\theta_0}^{\otimes N}} 0.$$

Remark:  $\exists \theta_j$  s.t. log-modulus is sharp

for  $t > 0$ .

Theorem: (Reaction diffusion). Assume

$\|\theta\|_{H^1} + \|\theta_0\|_{H^1} \leq U$ . then

$$\int_0^T \|u_\theta(t) - u_{\theta_0}(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 dt \leq C_{U, \gamma} \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{H^1}^2$$

Proof: Take  $w = u_\theta - u_{\theta_0}$  which solves

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta u \right) w = f(u_\theta) - f(u_{\theta_0})$$

$$= f'(u) w \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{with initial} \\ \text{cond. } \theta - \theta_0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \tilde{V}(t) w$$

Then  $w$  compares to the solution  $\bar{w}_\varepsilon$  to

the PDE  $\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta \right) \bar{w}_\varepsilon = V_\varepsilon \bar{w}_\varepsilon$  where

$$V_\varepsilon = f'(u_\varepsilon(t)) \text{ on } [0, \varepsilon].$$

Then on  $[0, \varepsilon]$ ,  $V_\varepsilon$  is time-independent.

so the LHS of (6) is

$$\geq \int_0^\varepsilon \|u_\varepsilon\|_{L^2}^2 dt \text{ and}$$

$$w_\varepsilon = \sum_{j=1}^\infty e^{-\lambda_j t} \langle e_j, \theta - \theta_0 \rangle e_j,$$

where  $(e_j, \lambda_j)$  are s.t.  $(\Delta - V_\varepsilon) e_j = -\lambda_j e_j$ .

$$\text{so (7)} = \int_0^\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^\infty e^{-2\lambda_j t} \langle e_j, \theta - \theta_0 \rangle_{L^2}^2 dt$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^\infty \frac{1}{2\lambda_j} (1 - e^{-2\varepsilon \lambda_j}) \langle e_j, \theta - \theta_0 \rangle_{L^2}^2$$

$$\geq \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{H^1}^2.$$

□

Now,  $L^2 \subseteq [H^\beta, H^{-1}]$  and so by

interpolation we deduce

$$\Pi(\theta: \|\theta\|_{H^\beta} \leq M, \|\theta - \theta_0\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{M\delta_N^{\frac{\beta}{\beta+1}}}{\sqrt{\log N}} | Z^{(N)} )$$

$$\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\theta_0}^{\otimes N}} 1$$

$$\text{where } \delta_N = N^{-\frac{\beta}{2d+2}} \left( \approx \frac{1}{N}, \gamma/\beta \rightarrow \infty \right).$$

## III Bernstein-van Mises theorems

If  $\Theta = \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$  is fixed,  $d\Pi > 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}^p$ ,

$I_N(\theta_0) \dots$  Fisher inf. of model, then

$$\| \Pi(\cdot | Z^{(N)}) - N_{\mathbb{R}^p}(\bar{\theta}, N I_N(\theta_0)^{-1}) \|_{TV} \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\theta_0}^{\otimes N}} 0$$

Freedman (1999)  $\Rightarrow$  BVM fails in  $\infty$ -dim in

$L_2$ .

Castillo/Nickl (2013/4)  $\dots \checkmark \dots$  in

$H^k, k > d/2$

Have shown

$$\sup_{0 \leq t \leq T_p} \|u_N(t, \cdot) - u_0(t, \cdot)\|_{L^2}^2 = O_{P_{\theta_0}}(\tilde{\theta}_N^2) \\ \theta_0 \in L^{N^{-c}}, c < 1/2.$$

### III.1 Main result

The laws  $\hat{\mathbb{P}}_N$  induce Borel probability measures on

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C}([t_{\min}, t_{\max}]; C(\mathbb{B})), \| \cdot \|_{\mathcal{C}}, \\ 0 < t_{\min} < t_{\max}.$$

To metrize distance between prob. measures  $\mu, \nu$  on  $\mathcal{C}$  we take

$$W_{1,\mathcal{C}}(\mu, \nu) = \sup_{H: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}} \left| \int H(x) (d\mu(x) - d\nu(x)) \right| \\ \|H\|_{\text{Lip}} \leq 1$$

Theorem (N24, KNR25) Let  $\theta_0 \in H_0^{\gamma} = H^{\gamma} L^2$ ,  $\gamma > \frac{d}{2}$

$$\text{Then } W_{1,\mathcal{C}}(\text{Law}(\sqrt{N}(u_0 - \tilde{u}_N) | Z^{(N)}), \text{Law}(U)) \\ \xrightarrow{P_{\theta_0}} 0 \\ N \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\text{and } \sqrt{N}(u_0 - \tilde{u}_N) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \text{Law}(U),$$

where  $U$  is the Gaussian random field in  $\mathcal{C}$ , solving the linear PDEs

$$(\dagger) \quad \frac{d}{dt} U - \Delta U = f'(u_0) U \quad (\text{r. diffusion})$$

$$u = \left( \frac{d}{dt} - \Delta \right) u + B(u_0, u) + B(u, u_0) \\ (\text{natural lin. of flows of PDE})$$

with initial condition  $U(0, \cdot) \sim X \sim \mathcal{N}_{\theta_0} = \mathcal{N}(0, (\Pi_{\theta_0}^* \Pi_{\theta_0})^{-1})$  analogous to im. Fisher inf. in fin. dim.

defining a Borel prob. meas. on  $H^{-k}$  for  $k > 3d/2$  (universal,  $\gamma$  suff. large).

### II. Information operators.

For  $h \in L_0^2$ , let  $\Pi_{\theta_0}(h) = U_h$  be the sol<sup>n</sup> to the PDE  $(\dagger)$  with initial condition  $h$ . Then one shows

$$\|U_{0+h} - u_0 - \Pi_{\theta_0}(h)\|_{L^2}^2 = O(\|h\|_{L^2}^2) \\ \text{so } \Pi_{\theta_0} \text{ is the 'score' operator linearising } \theta \mapsto u_\theta. \text{ If } \Pi_{\theta_0}: L_0^2 \rightarrow L_0^2 \text{ has adjoint } \Pi_{\theta_0}^*: L_0^2 \rightarrow L_0^2, \text{ then the Fisher information operator is}$$

$$\boxed{\Pi_{\theta_0}^* \Pi_{\theta_0}: L_0^2 \rightarrow L_0^2.}$$

Theorem: For  $\gamma \geq 0$ , the operator  $\Delta \Pi_{\theta_0}^* \Pi_{\theta_0}$  is a homeomorphism of  $H_0^{\gamma} := H^{\gamma} L^2$ .

Proof: Idea: show first that  $\Pi^* \Pi$  and  $\Pi^* \Pi$  where  $\Pi = \Pi(h)$  solves

$$\begin{cases} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta \right) U = 0 \\ U(0, \cdot) = h \end{cases} \quad \text{are s.t.}$$

$\Delta(\Pi^* \Pi - \Pi^* \Pi)$  is a compact operator on  $H_0^2$ .

To apply a Fredholm argument, let us compute  $\Delta \Pi^* \Pi = \Delta \int_0^T \Pi^* (\Pi_t(h)) dt$

$$= \Delta \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_0^T e^{-2t\lambda_j} \langle e_j, h \rangle e_j. \\ = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} C \lambda_j \frac{1}{(2\lambda_j)} [e^{-2T\lambda_j} - 1] \langle e_j, h \rangle e_j. \\ = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} + \underbrace{U_T(2T)}_{=K}$$

So overall  $\Delta \Pi^* \Pi = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} + K$  so let us show it is also injective. First assume  $\Delta \Pi^* \Pi h = 0 \Rightarrow \Pi^* \Pi h = 0$ . So  $0 = \langle \Pi^* \Pi h, h \rangle_{L^2} = \langle \Pi h, \Pi h \rangle_{L^2} = \|\Pi h\|_{L^2}^2 \geq \|h\|_{H^{-1}}^2 \Rightarrow h = 0$  (as in the non-linear stability estimates.  $\square$ )

### III. BVM for initial conditions

Following N20, we prove

Theorem: We have for  $k > 2d+3$

$$W_{1,H^{-k}}(\text{Law}(\sqrt{N}(u_0 - \tilde{u}_N) | Z^{(N)}), \mathcal{N}_{\theta_0}) \\ \xrightarrow{P_{\theta_0}} 0 \\ N \rightarrow \infty$$

and  $\sqrt{N}(u_0 - \tilde{u}_N) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}_{\theta_0}$ .

Rmk:  $k > d+2$  is necessary!

Proof: (idea)

① localise to  $\Pi^{D_N}(0 | Z^{(N)})$  where  $\Pi^{D_N} = \frac{\Pi(\cdot \cap D_N)}{\Pi(D_N)}$  where  $D_N = \{ \| \theta \|_{H^k} \leq M, \| \theta - \theta_0 \|_{L^2} \leq M \delta_N \}$

② Given  $\Psi \in H_0^k$ , take  $\Psi = (\Pi_{\theta_0}^* \Pi_{\theta_0})^{-1} \psi \in H_0^{k-2}$

③ Study Laplace transform  $E \Pi^{D_N} [e^{t \sqrt{N} \langle \theta, \Psi \rangle - \hat{\Psi}_N} | Z^{(N)}]$   $= \frac{\int_{D_N} e^{t \sqrt{N} \langle \theta, \Psi \rangle - \hat{\Psi}_N + L_N(\theta) - L_N(\theta_0) + L_N(\theta_0)} d\mu(\theta)}{\int_{D_N} e^{L_N(\theta)} d\mu(\theta)}$  Ch3 in GNk

where  $\theta_t = \theta - \frac{t}{\sqrt{N}} \Psi$

$$\hat{\Psi}_N = \langle \theta_0, \Psi \rangle - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i \Pi_{\theta_0}(\Psi)(t_i, X_i) \\ = e^{\frac{t^2}{2} \|\Pi_{\theta_0} \Psi\|_{L^2}^2 + o_p(1)} \cdot \frac{\int e^{L_N(\theta)} d\mu(\theta)}{\int e^{L_N(\theta)} d\mu(\theta)} \rightarrow 1$$

④  $\frac{d\Pi(\theta_t)}{d\mu(\theta)} \rightarrow 1$ .

⑤ To prove convergence in function space by fin. dim. conv. + tightness in  $H_0^{-k} = (H_0^k)^*$

⑥ UI + conv. of moments.

III.4. to prove the main theorem, we use  $\sqrt{N}(u_0 - \tilde{u}_N) = \Pi_{\theta_0}(\sqrt{N}(\tilde{\theta}_N - \theta_0))$  linearisation

$$= \Pi_{\theta_0}(\sqrt{N}(\tilde{\theta}_N - \theta_0)) + o_p(1), \text{ use } \Pi_{\theta_0}: H^{-k} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \\ \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \Pi_{\theta_0}(X), X \sim \mathcal{N}_{\theta_0}.$$



### III.5 Cramer-Rao lower bounds

Recall Gauss-Markov theorem:

$$\text{Estimator } \hat{\theta}(\tilde{\theta} - \theta_0)^2 = \text{Var} + \text{Bias}^2 \rightarrow \text{for consistent estimators asymptotically.}$$

One shows

Thm: For  $\theta_0 \in H^{\gamma}$  then

$$\liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{\hat{\theta}(Z^{(N)})} \sup_{\theta \in H^{\gamma}} N E_{\theta_0 + \frac{h}{\sqrt{N}}} \|u_0 - u_0\|_{\mathcal{C}}^2 \\ \geq E \|U_{\theta_0}\|_{\mathcal{C}}^2$$

and this lower bound is attained by  $u_{\theta_0}$  (posterior mean).

# Example Session:

Set  $\Omega = \mathbb{T}^2$   
 $H_0^1 = H^1 \cap \{f: \int_{\Omega} f dx = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla f = 0\}$

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta u + B(u, u) = f, \quad u(0) = 0.$

$B(u, u) = P((u \cdot \nabla)u), \quad P: L^2 \rightarrow L^2_0.$

(prior)  $\Pi_f = \mathcal{N}(0, \rho_f^{-2}(-\Delta)^{-1}) \sim \Pi(\cdot | \mathcal{Z}^{(N)})$   
 (posterior)

Have contraction at trajectory level:

$\Pi(\theta \in H_0^1: \|\theta\|_{\beta} \leq M, \|u_0 - u_{0,0}\|_{L^2}^2 \leq M \delta_N | \mathcal{Z}^{(N)})$   
 $\xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\infty}^{\otimes N} - \text{prob.}} 1$

Want Transfer of:

$\|u_0 - u_{0,0}\|_{L^2}^2 \text{ small} \Rightarrow \|u - u_0\|_{L^2}^2 \leq \|u_0 - u_{0,0}\|_{L^2}^2 \leq M \delta_N$

For  $w = u - u_{0,0}$  solves:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta w + B(u_0, u_0) - B(u_0, u_{0,0}) = 0 \\ w(0) = 0 - 0_0. \end{cases}$$

Rearrange to get:  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta w + B(u_0, w) + B(w, u_{0,0}) = 0$   
 (linears) (PDE)

Take  $L^2$ -inner product with  $(-\Delta)^{-1}w$   
 (take  $H^{-1}$ -inner product).

Get:  $\left\langle \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}, (-\Delta)^{-1}w \right\rangle_{L^2} - \nu \left\langle \Delta w, (-\Delta)^{-1}w \right\rangle_{L^2} + \left\langle B(u_0, w) + B(w, u_{0,0}), (-\Delta)^{-1}w \right\rangle_{L^2} = 0$

(any power of  $(-\Delta)$  is self-adj. on  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ )  
 $\leq ( \|u_0\|_{H^2} + \|u_{0,0}\|_{H^2} ) \times \|w\|_{H^{-1}} \cdot \|w\|_{L^2}$   
 $< \infty$  uniformly in  $\theta \Rightarrow$  Navier-Stokes dependent.  
 on some ball.

$\Rightarrow \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\Delta)^{-1/2} w, (-\Delta)^{-1/2} w \right\rangle_{L^2}$   
 $0 \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|(-\Delta)^{1/2} w\|_{L^2}^2 + \nu \|w\|_{L^2}^2 + c \|w\|_{L^2}^2.$

Fix  $s > 0$ , integrate in  $t \in [0, s]$

$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \|w(0)\|_{H^{-1}}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \|w(s)\|_{H^{-1}}^2 + ( \nu + c ) \|w(s)\|_{L^2}^2$   
 Poincaré  $\leq \|w(s)\|_{L^2}^2$  ( $\delta \dots \approx \|w\|_{L^2}^2$ )

integrate in  $s \in [0, T]$ :

$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} T \|w(0)\|_{H^{-1}}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|w(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds$   
 $\|u - u_{0,0}\|_{H^{-1}}^2 + \int_0^T \underbrace{(T-s)}_{\leq T} \|w(s)\|_{L^2}^2 ds$

□.

Recall  $W_{\nu, H^{-k}}(Law(\tilde{u}_n | (u - \tilde{u}_n)), u_0) \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{P_{\infty}^{\otimes N}} 0$

$\mathcal{E} := C([t_{min}, t_{max}]; C(\Omega))$   
 $\theta \sim \Pi(\cdot | \mathcal{Z}^{(N)})$   
 $\sigma_{\theta}^2 = \mathbb{E}^{\Pi} [\theta | \mathcal{Z}^{(N)}]$

Define a centred Gaussian process  $\{W(f): f \in \mathcal{E}\}$  with covariance  
 $\mathbb{E}[W(f)W(g)] = \langle f, (I^* I)^{-1} g \rangle_{L^2}.$

Restrict to the eigenfunctions of  $-P\Delta = -\Delta$ ,  $\{e_j\}_{j \geq 1} \rightarrow \{W(e_j): j \geq 1\}$   
 defines a cylindrical prob. meas. on  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $u_0$  obeys the law of  $(W(e_1), W(e_2), \dots)$

Fix  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$

$\mathbb{E}[\|Z\|_{H^{-\beta}}^2] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j^{-\beta} |W(e_j)|^2\right]$

$= \sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j^{-\beta} \langle e_j, (I^* I)^{-1} e_j \rangle_{L^2}$

$\lesssim \sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j^{-\beta} \leq \|e_j\|_{H^2} \cdot \|(I^* I)^{-1} e_j\|_{H^{-1}}$

$(I^* I: H_0^1 \rightarrow H_0^1 \quad \forall \ell \geq 2: \uparrow) \lesssim \|e_j\|_{H^1}$   
 $\lesssim \|e_j\|_{H^2}^2$   
 $= \|(-\Delta)^{1/2} e_j\|_{L^2}^2$   
 $= \lambda_j.$

Weyl's asymptotics:  $\lambda_j \sim j^{2/d} = j$  (on odd domains).

$\mathbb{E}[\|Z\|_{H^{-\beta}}^2] \lesssim \sum_{j \geq 1} j^{-(\beta-1)} < \infty$

$\Leftrightarrow \beta - 1 > 0 \Leftrightarrow \beta > 1.$

This is sharp due to exactness of Weyl asymptotics.