
NOTES FOR RENORMALIZATION FLOW

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1 Setup

1.1 Semilinear SHE

We consider the semilinear stochastic heat equation

$$du_t^\rho = \frac{1}{2}\Delta u_t^\rho dt + \gamma_\rho \sigma(u_t^\rho) dW_t^\rho, \quad t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Here σ is a Lipschitz nonlinearity and $dW_t^\rho(x)$ is a Gaussian noise that is white in time and correlated in space at scale $\rho^{1/2} \ll 1$. We are interested in the pointwise behavior of $u_t^\rho(x)$ as $\rho \rightarrow 0$, which calls for an attenuation factor $\gamma_\rho \sim |\ln \rho|^{-1/2}$ due to critical scaling in two dimensions. In fact, we devote most of our attention to a variation on (1.1) in which we first multiply σ and then smooth the noise:

$$dv_t^\rho = \frac{1}{2}\Delta v_t^\rho dt + \gamma_\rho \mathcal{G}_\rho[\sigma(v_t^\rho) dW_t]$$

Definiton 1.1.1.

(Space-time White Noise)

Let $dW = (dW_t(x))_{t \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}^2}$ be a standard \mathbb{R}^m -valued space-time white noise generating a temporal filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$. Writing $dW = (dW^1, \dots, dW^m)$ in components, then

$$\mathbb{E}[dW_t^i(x) dW_{t'}^{i'}(x')] = \delta_{i,i'} \delta(t - t') \delta(x - x')$$

Proposition 1.1.1. Construct a space-time white noise.

Definiton 1.1.2.

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a probability space and fix a target dimension $m \in \mathbb{N}$. The solution $v^\rho : \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a random vector-valued function parametrized by the correlation parameter $\rho > 0$. We suppress the dependence of v^ρ on $\omega \in \Omega$.

Since v is vector-valued, our nonlinearity $\sigma : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ is matrix-valued. Let \mathcal{H}_+^m denote the set of nonnegative-definite symmetric real $m \times m$ matrices, equipped with the metric induced by the Frobenius norm

$$|A|_F^2 := \text{tr}(AA^T) = \text{tr}(A^2)$$

Let σ belong to the space $\text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{H}_+^m)$.

Proposition 1.1.2. Show that $|\cdot|_F$ is a norm on \mathcal{H}_+^m .

Definiton 1.1.3. Given $\tau \geq 0$, we define the heat operator

$$\mathcal{G}_\tau v = G_\tau * v$$

where $G_\tau = (2\pi\tau)^{-1} \exp(-\frac{|x|^2}{2\tau})$ denotes the standard heat kernel. Define the spatially-smoothed noise $dW_t^\rho = G_\rho * dW_t$.

Proposition 1.1.3. We have

$$\mathbb{E}[dW_t^{\rho,i}(x) dW_{t'}^{\rho,i'}(x')] = \delta_{i,i'} \delta(t - t') G_{2\rho}(x - x')$$

Proof.

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Definiton 1.1.4. Define

$$L(\tau) = \ln(1 + \tau) \quad \text{for } \tau \geq 0$$

and set

$$\gamma_\rho = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{L(1/\rho)}}$$

Definiton 1.1.5.

(Mild Solution 1)

A mild solution for (1.1) is a predictable random field v^ρ such that for all $s < t$, we have

$$v_t^\rho(x) = \mathcal{G}_{t-s} v_s^\rho(x) + \gamma_\rho \int_s^t \mathcal{G}_{t+\rho-r} [\sigma(v_r^\rho) dW_r](x)$$

which means

$$\begin{aligned} v_t^\rho x &= \mathcal{G}_{t-s} v_s^\rho(x) + \gamma_\rho \int_s^t \int G_{t+\rho-r}(y) \sigma(v_r^\rho)(x-y) dW_r(x-y) dy \\ &= \mathcal{G}_{t-s} v_s^\rho(x) + \gamma_\rho \int_s^t \int G_{t+\rho-r}(y) \sigma(v_r^\rho)(x-y) dW_r(x-y) dy \\ &= \mathcal{G}_{t-s} v_s^\rho(x) + \gamma_\rho \int \left(\int_s^t G_{t+\rho-r}(y) \sigma(v_r^\rho)(x-y) dW_r(x-y) \right) dy \end{aligned}$$

which can be interpreted as an Ito integral. We only look for the solution v_t^ρ in the spaces \mathcal{X}_t^l of \mathbb{R}^m -valued random fields z on \mathbb{R}^2 that are \mathcal{F}_t -measurable and

$$\|z\|_l := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} (\mathbb{E}|z(x)|^l)^{1/l} < \infty$$

Proposition 1.1.4. For any $l \geq 2$, there is a family of random operators $(\mathcal{V}_{s,t}^{\sigma,\rho})_{s < t}$ such that if $v_s \in \mathcal{X}_s^l$, then $v_t^\rho = \mathcal{V}_{s,t}^{\sigma,\rho} v_s$ is a mild solution of (1.1) for $t \geq s$. We often write $\mathcal{V}_t^{\sigma,\rho} := \mathcal{V}_{0,t}^{\sigma,\rho}$.

Shown by some standard fixed-point arguments.

Definiton 1.1.6. (Forward-backward SDE)

The system of SDE:

$$\begin{aligned} d\Gamma_{a,Q}^\sigma(q) &= J_\sigma(Q - q, \Gamma_{a,Q}^\sigma(q)) dB(q), & a \in \mathbb{R}^m, 0 < q < Q \\ \Gamma_{a,Q}^\sigma(0) &= a, & a \in \mathbb{R}^m, Q \geq 0 \\ J_\sigma(q, b) &= [\mathbb{E}\sigma^2(\Gamma_{a,Q}^\sigma(q))]^{1/2}, & q \geq 0, b \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

for B a standard \mathbb{R}^m -valued Brownian motion and $A^{1/2}$ is the unique positive-definite matrix square root of $A \in \mathcal{H}_+^m$.

Definiton 1.1.7. Given $\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{H}_+^m)$, let $\overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) \in [0, \infty]$ be the supremum of all $Q \geq 0$ such that there is a continuous function $J_\sigma : [0, Q] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+^m$ satisfying the FBSDE and

$$\sup_{q \in [0, \overline{Q}]} \text{Lip}(J_\sigma(q, \cdot)) < \infty$$

and define for $M, \beta \in (0, \infty)$

$$\Sigma(M, \beta) := \{\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{H}_+^m) : |\sigma(u)|_F^2 \leq M + \beta^2 |u|^2 \text{ for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$$

Definiton 1.1.8.

(L^2 -subcritical)

A nonlinearity σ is L^2 -subcritical if $\sigma \in \Sigma(M, \beta)$ for some $M \in (0, \infty)$ and $\beta \in (0, 1)$ and $\bar{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) > 1$.

1.2 Main Result

Theorem 1.2.1. Let σ be L^2 -subcritical. Fix $Q \in (0, 1)$ and define $\tilde{\sigma} := (1 - Q)^{1/2} J_\sigma(Q, \cdot)$ and $\tilde{\rho} := \rho^{1-Q}$. Then there is a new white noise $d\tilde{W}$ such that $\mathcal{G}_{\tilde{\rho}v}$ is an approximate mild solution of (1.1) with $(\tilde{\rho}, \tilde{\sigma}, d\tilde{W})$ in place of (ρ, σ, dW) .

Definiton 1.2.1. Denote \mathcal{W}_2 the Wasserstein-2 metric: for any two probability distributions μ, ν

$$\mathcal{W}_2(\mu, \nu) = \inf_{\pi} \left(\int |x - y|^2 \pi(dx, dy) \right)$$

where π owns marginal distributions of μ and ν .

Denote $\langle a \rangle := (|a|^2 + 1)^{1/2}$ the Japanese bracket.

Theorem 1.2.2. For each L^2 -subcritical σ and $\bar{T} \in [1, \infty)$, there is a constant $C(\sigma, \bar{T}) \in (e, \infty)$ such that for all $v_0 \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathbb{R}^m)$, $t \in [\bar{T}^{-1}, \bar{T}]$, and $\rho \in (0, C^1)$, the solution v^ρ of (1.1) satisfies

$$\mathcal{W}_2(v_t^{\rho(x)}, \Gamma_{a,1}^\sigma(1)) \leq C \langle \|v_0\|_{L^\infty} \rangle \sqrt{\frac{\ln |\ln \rho|}{|\ln \rho|}}$$

where $(\Gamma_{a,1}^\sigma(q))_{q \in [0,1]}$ solves the FBSDE with $Q = 1$ and $a = \mathcal{G}_t v_0(x)$.

1.3 Decoupling Flow

Definiton 1.3.1 (Parabolic Equation).

The following parabolic equation

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_q H(q, b) &= \frac{1}{2} [H(q, b) : \nabla_b^2] H(q, b) \\ H(0, b) &= \sigma^2(b) \end{aligned}$$

here for A, B matrices, we denote

$$A : B = \text{tr}[AB]$$

and there is an explicit formula

$$([H(q, b) : \nabla_b^2] H(q, b))_{ij} = \text{tr}[H(q, b) \nabla_b^2] H_{ij}(q, b) = \sum_{k,l=1}^m H_{kl}(q, b) \frac{\partial^2 H_{ij}}{\partial b_k \partial b_l}(q, b)$$

Proof. We know

$$\mathrm{tr}[H(q, b) \nabla_b^2] = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n H_{kl}(q, b) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial b_k \partial b_l}$$

□

2 Well-posedness of the FBSDE

2.1 Main Goal

The main result is

Theorem 2.1.1. Let $\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{H}_+^m)$. For any $Q \in [0, \bar{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma))$, we have

$$\bar{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) \geq Q + \text{Lip}(J_\sigma(Q, \cdot))^{-2}$$

Definiton 2.1.1. \mathcal{X} is the Banach space of \mathcal{H}_+^m -valued continuous functions on \mathbb{R}^m with the norm (and this norm is finite)

$$\|\sigma\|_{\mathcal{X}} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^m} \frac{|\sigma(x)|_F}{\langle x \rangle}$$

Proposition 2.1.2. Prove \mathcal{X} is a Banach space.

Proposition 2.1.3. $\text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m) \subset \mathcal{X}$.

2.2 SDE Solution Theory

Definiton 2.2.1. Given a \mathbb{R}^m -valued Brownian motion $(B(q))_{q \geq 0}$ adapted to a filtration $\{\mathcal{G}_q\}_{q \geq 0}$. For an adapted process Y on $[0, Q]$, a function $g : [0, Q] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+^m$ and a constant $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we define a new adapted process $\mathcal{R}_{a,Q}^g Y$ on $[0, Q]$ by

$$\mathcal{R}_{a,Q}^g Y(q) := a + \int_0^q g(Q - p, Y(p)) dB(p)$$

whenever this stochastic integral is defined. For $Q > 0$, define

$$\mathcal{A}_Q := \left\{ J : [0, Q] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+^m \text{ continuous} : \sup_{q \in [0, Q]} \text{Lip}(J(q, \cdot)) < \infty \right\}$$

Proposition 2.2.1. Fix $L < \infty$ and $Q \in (0, \infty)$ and suppose that $g \in \mathcal{A}_Q$ satisfies

$$\sup_{q \in [0, Q]} \text{Lip}(g(q, \cdot)) \leq L$$

Then, for any $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$, there is a unique strong solution $\Theta_{a,Q}^g$ to the SDE

$$\begin{aligned} d\Theta_{a,Q}^g(q) &= g(Q - q, \Theta_{a,Q}^g(q)) dB(q), \quad q \in [0, Q] \\ \Theta_{a,Q}^g(0) &= a \end{aligned}$$

The solution $\Theta_{a,Q}^g$ satisfies the moment bound

$$\sup_{q \in [0, Q]} \mathbb{E} |\Theta_{a,Q}^g(q)|^l < \infty \quad \text{for all } l \in [1, \infty)$$

Moreover, there exists a constant $C = C(L, Q)$ such that for any $Q' \in [0, Q]$ and any adapted

process Γ on $[0, Q']$, we have

$$\sup_{q \in [0, Q']} \mathbb{E} |\Gamma(q) - \Theta_{a, Q}^g(q)|^2 \leq C \sup_{[0, Q']} \mathbb{E} |\Gamma(q) - \mathcal{R}_{a, Q}^g \Gamma(q)|^2$$

and

$$\mathbb{E} |\Theta_{a, Q}^g(q) - \Theta_{\tilde{a}, Q}^g(q)|^2 \leq C |a - \tilde{a}|^2$$

Proof. Define $\mathcal{K}_{L, Q'}$ on adapted processes on $[0, Q']$ by

$$\sup_{q \in [0, Q']} e^{-L^2 q} (\mathbb{E} |\Gamma(q)|^2)^{1/2},$$

which makes $\mathcal{R}_{a, Q}^g$ a contraction. \square

2.3 Local Solution

Definiton 2.3.1. Let $Q > 0$ and let $\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m)$. We say that $J \in \mathcal{A}_Q$ is a *root decoupling function* for FBSDE on $[0, Q]$ if, for all $q \in [0, Q]$ and all $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we have

$$J(q, a) = [\mathbb{E} \sigma(\Theta_{a, q}^J(q))]^{1/2}$$

In this case, we also call J^2 the decoupling function. In the equation above, $\Theta_{a, q}^J$ is as in (2.2.1).

Definiton 2.3.2. For $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$, we define the set of functions

$$\Lambda(\lambda) := \{\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m) : \text{Lip}(\sigma) \leq \lambda\}$$

Proposition 2.3.1. Suppose that $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$, $\sigma \in \Lambda(\lambda)$, $Q_0 > 0$ and that J is a root decoupling function for FBSDE on $[0, Q_0]$. Then for all $Q \in [0, Q_0 \wedge \lambda^{-2}]$, we have

$$\text{Lip}(J(Q, \cdot)) \leq (\lambda^{-2} - Q)^{-1/2}.$$

Proof. \square

Lemma 2.3.2. Suppose that $c \in (0, \infty)$, $\overline{Q} < c^{-2}$ and $f : [0, \overline{Q}] \rightarrow [c^2, \infty)$ satisfies

$$f(Q) \leq c^2 \exp \left\{ \int_0^Q f(q) dq \right\}$$

for all $Q \in [0, \overline{Q}]$. Then

$$f(Q) \leq (c^{-2} - Q)^{-1} \quad \text{for all } Q \in [0, \overline{Q}]$$

Proof. Define $g(Q) = \int_0^Q f(q) dq$ and we have

$$g'(q) = f(q),$$

then

$$(1 - e^{-g(q)})' = g'(q) e^{-g(q)} = f(q) e^{-g(q)}$$

and hence

$$1 - e^{-g(Q)} = \int_0^Q f(q)e^{-g(q)} dq \leq c^2 Q$$

Therefore, we have

$$f(Q) \leq c^2 e^{g(Q)} \leq \frac{c^2}{1 - c^2 Q}$$

Here is another proof by (A.2.1), consider h defined on $[0, \overline{Q}]$ non-negative defined by

$$h(t) = \ln(f(t)/c^2),$$

then we have

$$h(t) \leq \int_0^t c^2 \exp(h(s)) ds.$$

Define

$$G(x) = -e^{-x} + C$$

and we have

$$h(q) \leq -\ln(1 - c^2 q)$$

for any $q \in [0, \overline{Q}]$, which means

$$f(Q) \leq c^2 / (1 - c^2 Q) = (c^{-2} - Q)^{-1}.$$

□

Definiton 2.3.3. Define

$$\mathcal{Q}_\sigma g(Q, a) = [\mathbb{E} \sigma^2(\Theta_{a,Q}^g(Q))]^{1/2},$$

where $(\Theta_{a,Q}^g(q))_{q \in [0, Q]}$ from (2.2.1). We note that a fixed point of \mathcal{Q}_σ is a root decoupling function for (1.1.6). We also note that

$$|\mathcal{Q}_\sigma g(Q, a)|_F^2 = |\mathbb{E} \sigma^2(\Theta_{a,Q}^g(Q))|_F^{1/2} = \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \sigma^2(\Theta_{a,Q}^g(Q)) = \mathbb{E} |\sigma(\Theta_{a,Q}^g(Q))|_F^2$$

Define the set of functions

$$\Lambda(M, \lambda) := \{\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m) : \text{Lip}(\sigma) \leq \lambda \text{ and } |\sigma(u)|_F^2 \leq M + \lambda^2 |u|^2 \text{ for all } u \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$$

For $Q_0 < \lambda^{-2}$, define the set of functions $\mathcal{Z}_{Q_0, M, \lambda}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z}_{Q_0, M, \lambda} = \{ & g : [0, Q_0] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+^m \text{ continuous,} \\ & g(q, \cdot) \in \Lambda((1 - \lambda^2 q)^{-2} M, (\lambda^{-2} - q)^{-1/2}) \text{ for all } q \in [0, Q_0] \} \end{aligned}$$

We will construct the root decoupling function J_σ as a fixed point of \mathcal{Q}_σ in a certain $\mathcal{Z}_{Q_0, M, \lambda}$.

Proposition 2.3.3. Fix $\lambda, M \in (0, \infty)$ and $Q_0 \in [0, \lambda^{-2})$. For any $\sigma \in \Lambda(M, \lambda)$, there is a unique root decoupling function $J_\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_{Q_0}$. In particular, we have

$$\overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) \geq \text{Lip}(\sigma)^{-2}.$$

Moreover, there is a $C = C(Q_0, M, \lambda) < \infty$ such that for any $g \in \mathcal{Z}_{Q_0, M, \lambda}$, we have

$$\sup_{q \in [0, Q_0]} \|(g - J_\sigma)(q, \cdot)\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq C \sup_{q \in [0, Q_0]} \|(g - \mathcal{Q}_\sigma g)(q, \cdot)\|_{\mathcal{X}}$$

and indeed

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{q \in [0, Q_0]} \|(\mathcal{Q}_\sigma^n g - J_\sigma)(q, \cdot)\|_{\mathcal{X}} = 0$$

where \mathcal{Q}_σ^n denotes the n -fold iterated application of \mathcal{Q}_σ .

Proof. We know any decoupling function $J \in \mathcal{A}_{Q_0}$ has to be in $\mathcal{Z}_{Q_0, M, \lambda}$ for some $M', \lambda \in (0, \infty)$ \square

2.4 Extension of the Solution

Lemma 2.4.1. Let $\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m)$, whenever $0 \leq Q_1 \leq Q_2 < \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma)$, we have for any $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$,

$$J_\sigma^2(Q_2, b) = \mathbb{E}[J_\sigma^2(Q_1, \Gamma_{b, Q_2}^\sigma(Q_2 - Q_1))]$$

Proof. Remain. \square

Lemma 2.4.2. Let $\sigma \in \text{Lip}(\mathbb{R}^m; \mathcal{H}_+^m)$, whenever $0 \leq Q_1 \leq Q_2 < \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma)$ and if

$$Q_2 - Q_1 < \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)),$$

we have

$$J_\sigma(Q_2, b) = J_{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(Q_2 - Q_1, b) \quad \text{for all } b \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

Proof. We have by (2.4.1) that, for any $Q \in [Q_1, \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma))$ and any $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$,

$$J_\sigma^2(Q, b) = \mathbb{E}[J_\sigma^2(Q_1, \Gamma_{b, Q}^\sigma(Q - Q_1))]$$

By assumption, there is a unique solution to the following FBSDE problem for $Q \in [0, Q_2 - Q_1]$:

$$\begin{aligned} d\Gamma_{b, Q}^{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(q) &= J_{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(Q - q, \Gamma_{b, Q}^{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(q))dB(q), \quad q \in (0, Q) \\ \Gamma_{b, Q}^{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(0) &= b \\ J_{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(Q, b) &= (\mathbb{E}[J_\sigma^2(Q_1, \Gamma_{b, Q}^{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(Q))])^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Also, if given $Q \in [0, \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) - Q_1]$, (1.1.6) and (2.4.1) with Q replaced by $Q_1 + Q$ will yield

$$\begin{aligned} d\Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(q) &= J_\sigma(Q + Q_1 - q, \Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(q))dB(q), \quad q \in (0, Q) \\ \Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(0) &= b \\ J_\sigma(Q + Q_1, b) &= (\mathbb{E}[\sigma^2(\Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(Q))])^{1/2} = (\mathbb{E}[J_\sigma^2(Q_1, \Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(Q))])^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

which means $(\Gamma_{b, Q+Q_1}^\sigma(q)$ and $J_\sigma(Q + Q_1, b)$) will solve the previous FBSDE system, and by the uniqueness of FBSDE problem, we have

$$J_{J_\sigma(Q_1, \cdot)}(Q, b) = J_\sigma(Q + Q_1, b) \quad \text{for all } b \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ and } Q \in [0, Q_2 - Q_1]$$

□

Proposition 2.4.3. For any $Q' \in [0, \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma))$, we have

$$\overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(\sigma) \geq Q' + \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(J_\sigma(Q', \cdot))$$

Proof. For $Q' < \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}\sigma$, there is a unique root decoupling function $J_\sigma \in \mathcal{A}_{Q'}$ for (1.1.6) on $[0, Q']$. Let $P \in [0, \overline{Q}_{\text{FBSDE}}(J_\sigma(Q', \cdot))]$, there is a unique RDF $J_{J_\sigma(Q', \cdot)} \in \mathcal{A}_P$ in (1.1.6) with σ replaced by $J_\sigma(Q', \cdot)$.

We wish to extend the function J_σ to the time interval by outting

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Definiton 2.4.1. An *almost classical solution* to (1.3.1) on a time interval $[0, Q_0)$ is a continuous function $H : [0, Q_0) \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+^m$ such that the following conditions hold:

1. For every compact $\mathcal{K} \subset (0, Q_0)$ and bounded open $U \subset \mathbb{R}^m$,

$$H_{\mathcal{K} \times U} \in L^1(\mathcal{K}; W^{2,\infty}(U; \mathcal{H}_+^m)) \cap C^1(\mathcal{K} \times U; \mathcal{H}_+^m).$$

where $W^{2,\infty}(U; \mathcal{H}_+^m)$ is the Sobolev space of functions on U taking values in \mathcal{H}_+^m with weak second derivative measurable and essentially bounded.

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3 Open Problem

One possible question is that if σ is bounded, then in term of the solution u_ϵ of the stochastic pde

$$\partial_t u_\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_\epsilon + \sigma(u) dW^\epsilon,$$

what will u_ϵ converges to as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

A Fundamentals

A.1 Wiener Integral

Let T be a set and $X := \{X(t)\}_{t \in T}$ a T -indexed stochastic process. We recall that X is a Gaussian random field (process when $T \subset \mathbb{R}$) if $(X_{t_1}, \dots, X_{t_m})$ is a Gaussian random vector for all $t_1, \dots, t_m \in T$.

Definiton A.1.1. Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ denote the collection of all Borel-measurable subsets of \mathbb{R}^m that have finite Lebesgue measure. White noise on \mathbb{R}^m is a mean-zero set-indexed Gaussian random field $\xi(A)_{A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^m)}$ with covariance function

$$E[\xi(A_1)\xi(A_2)] := |A_1 \cap A_2| \quad \text{for all } A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

where $|\cdot|$ denotes the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^m for every m .

A.2 Useful Approximations

Proposition A.2.1 (Bihari-LaSalle Inequality).

Let u and f be non-negative continuous functions defined on the half-infinite ray $[0, \infty)$ and let w be a continuous non-decreasing function defined on $[0, \infty)$ and $w(u) > 0$ on $(0, \infty)$. For u we have

$$u(t) \leq \alpha + \int_0^t f(s)w(u(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, \infty),$$

where α is a non-negative constant, then

$$u(t) \leq G^{-1} \left(G(\alpha) + \int_0^t f(s)ds \right), \quad t \in [0, T]$$

where the function G is defined by

$$G(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dy}{w(y)}, \quad x \geq 0, x_0 \geq 0,$$

and G^{-1} is the inverse function of G and T is chosen so that

$$G(\alpha) + \int_0^t f(s)ds \in \text{Dom}(G^{-1}), \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$$

Proof. Notice $G(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dy}{w(y)}$ is increasing and

$$\text{Dom}(G^{-1}) = \left[G(0) = - \int_0^{x_0} \frac{dy}{w(y)}, G(0) + \int_0^\infty \frac{dy}{w(y)} \right]$$

then since $u \geq 0$, then we have

$$G(u(t)) \leq G \left(\alpha + \int_0^t f(s)w(u(s))ds \right) := H(t)$$

and we have

$$H'(t) = \frac{f(t)\omega(u(t))}{\omega(\alpha + \int_0^t f(s)\omega(u(s))ds)} \leq f(t)$$

so we have

$$H(t) \leq G(\alpha) + \int_0^t f(s)ds.$$

Therefore, we may have the requested inequality for all $0 \leq t \leq T$ where

$$T := \sup_t \left\{ \int_0^t f(s)ds \leq G(0) - G(\alpha) + \int_0^\infty \frac{dy}{\omega(y)} \right\}$$

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A.3 Matrix Analysis

Theorem A.3.1 (Spectral Theorem for Real Symmetric Matrices).

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a real symmetric matrix, that is, $A^T = A$. Then:

1. All eigenvalues of A are real.
2. Eigenspaces corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.
3. The space \mathbb{R}^n decomposes as an orthogonal direct sum of eigenspaces:

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \sigma(A)} \ker(A - \lambda I).$$

4. Equivalently, there exists an orthogonal matrix Q and a real diagonal matrix Λ such that

$$A = Q\Lambda Q^T.$$