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# NOTES FOR RENORMALIZATION FLOW

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# 1 Stochastic Integrals

## 1.1 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 1.1.1.** 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  $m$ .

## 2 Setup

### 2.1 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  $\sigma$  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 (2.1) in which we first multiply  $\sigma$  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 2.1.1.

(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 2.1.1.** Construction a space-time white noise.

#### Definiton 2.1.2.

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

**Definiton 2.1.3.** 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 2.1.2.** 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 2.1.4.** Define

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

and set

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

**Definiton 2.1.5.**

(Mild Solution 1)

A mild solution for (2.1) is a predictable random field  $v^\rho$  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  $v_t^\rho$  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 2.1.3.** 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 (2.1) 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 2.1.6.** (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  $A \in \mathcal{H}_+^m$ .

## 2.2 Main Result