

On modeling the behavior of pedestrians near walls and the mean-field approach to crowd dynamics

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Large human crowds as dynamical systems



Human stampedes: a frequently reoccurring event.

Recorded stampedes with deadly outcome in 2020:

- January 7: Funeral of general Qasem Soleimani (Iran)
>56 dead, >200 injured
- February 1: Prayer meeting (Tanzania)
20 dead, 16 injured
- February 4: School (Kenya)
14 dead.
- February 17: Market (Niger)
>20 dead
- May 21: Religious festivity (Sri Lanka)
3 dead.

Sources: see Wikipedia article "List of human stampedes".

Overview: MFG & MFTC

MEAN FIELD GAMES (MFG): **dynamic stochastic decision making** where a **very large** number of agents

- are **non-cooperative** (they seek a Nash equilibrium)
- are (to some extent) **symmetric**
- interact through **aggregate effects**



OPTIMAL CONTROL OF MCKEAN-VLASOV EQUATIONS
(MFTC): **cooperative agents** can "shape the aggregates".

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Relaxations of exchangeability include:
agent classes, major/minor agents, etc.

MFG and MFTC, are they meaningful approximations?

- Lasry, Lions (2006, 2007) and Huang, Malhamé, Caines (2006).
- Noncontrolled diffusion processes Oelschläger (1984), El Karoui, Du Huu, Jeanblanc-Picqué (1987). Extended e.g. by Lacker (2017).
- Carmona, Delarue (2018)

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Pedestrian crowd dynamics: Overview



Figure: Lab experiment



Figure: Kumbh Mela Experiment

Empirical studies

The empirical study of human crowds has been conducted since Hankin & Wright (1958) (flows in London's underground).

Empirical studies confirm that pedestrians have a will to reach specific targets and act as if there is a repulsion from other individuals.

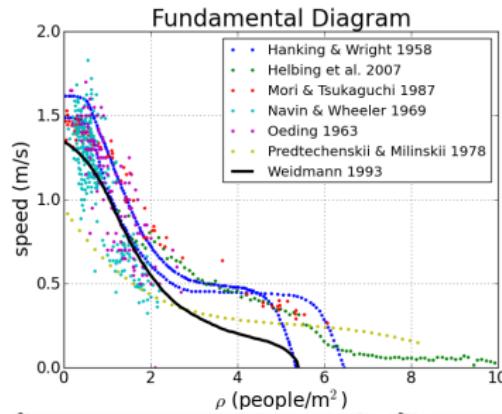
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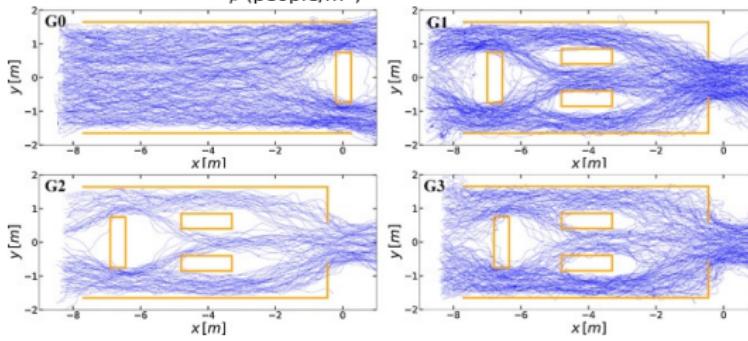
Humans

- Avoidance of collisions and obstacles
- Dynamics ruled (partially) by decision
- Some directions more influential than others

Empirical data: fundamental diagrams and route choice



Fundamental
diagram



Route
choice

Mathematical approaches

- Microscopic models
 - Social force: Helbing & Molnár (1995)
 - Cellular automaton: Schadschneider et al (2001)
 - Optimal control: Hoodendororn & Bovy (2003)
- Mesoscopic models
- Macroscopic models

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 - Kinetic equations: Albi et al (2016)
 - Swarming: Fornasier et al (2010)
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- Microscopic models
- Mesoscopic models
- Macroscopic models
 - Fluid-like models: Henderson (1971); Hedges (2003)
 - Optimal transport: Santambrogio et al (2010)
 - Mean-field games: Dogbé (2010); Lachapelle & Wolfram (2011); Djehiche, Tcheukam & Tembine (2017)
 - Mean-field type control: Burger et al (2013, 2014); Djehiche, Tcheukam & Tembine (2017)
 - Mean-field type games: Aurell & Djehiche (2018, 2019)

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Pedestrian crowds in confined domains



Boundary conditions in the mean-field approach

Treatment of walls in pedestrian crowd models

Model class	Wall modeling
Social force	Repulsive forces, disutility
Cellular automata (CA)	Forbidden cells
Continuum limit of CA	Neumann/no-flux b.c.
Hughes flow model	Neumann/no-flux b.c., oblique reflection
Mean-field games/control/type games	Neumann/no-flux b.c., disutility

Neumann/no-flux boundary conditions on the pedestrian density correspond to *instantaneous reflection*.

Sticky reflected Brownian motion

Consider the SDE system

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = \frac{1}{2}d\ell_t^0(X.) + 1_{\{X_t > 0\}}dB_t, & X_0 = x_0, \\ 1_{\{X_t = 0\}}dt = \frac{1}{2\gamma}d\ell_t^0(X.), \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\gamma \in (0, \infty)$ is a given stickiness level of the boundary $\{0\}$, $\ell_0(X.)$ is the local time of $X.$ at 0, B is a standard Brownian motion.

Skorokhods conjecture: System (1) has no strong solution. The system has a unique weak solution, the *reflected Brownian motion X in \mathbb{R}_+ sticky at 0*.

Feller (1952), Wentzell (1959), Itô-Mckean (1963), Graham (1988), Chitashvili (1989), Warren (1997), Engelbert & Peskir (2014), ...

Sticky reflected Brownian motion with boundary diffusion

Grothaus and Vosshall (2017) extend the result to a *bounded* domain $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ with sticky C^2 -smooth boundary $\partial\mathcal{D}$.

- Let $n(x)$ be the **outward normal** of $\partial\mathcal{D}$ at x ,
- $\pi(x) := E - n(x)(n(x))^*$, the **orthogonal projection on the tangent space** of $\partial\mathcal{D}$ at x ,
- $\kappa(x) := (\pi(x)\nabla) \cdot n(x)$, the **mean curvature** of $\partial\mathcal{D}$ at x .

These quantities are uniformly bounded over $\partial\mathcal{D}$.

Sticky reflected Brownian motion with boundary diffusion

Let $\Omega := C([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^d)$ be path space, \mathcal{F} the Borel σ -field over Ω , and $X_t(\omega) = \omega(t)$ be the coordinate process.

Theorem (Grohaus and Vosshall (2017))

There exists a unique probability measure \mathbb{P} on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) under which

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = 1_{\mathcal{D}}(X_t) dB_t + 1_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t) \left(dB_t^{\partial\mathcal{D}} - \frac{1}{2\gamma} n(X_t) dt \right), \\ dB_t^{\partial\mathcal{D}} = \pi(X_t) \circ dB_t = -\frac{1}{2} \kappa(X_t) n(X_t) dt + \pi(X_t) dB_t, \\ B \text{ is a standard } \mathbb{P}\text{-BM in } \mathbb{R}^d, \quad X_0 = x_0 \in \bar{\mathcal{D}}, \quad \gamma > 0, \end{cases}$$

and X is $C([0, T]; \bar{\mathcal{D}})$ -valued \mathbb{P} -a.s. (in particular, X is \mathbb{P} -a.s. uniformly bounded).

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$$dX_t = (\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}}(X_t) + \mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t)\pi(X_t)) dB_t - \mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t) \frac{1}{2} \left(\kappa(X_t) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) n(X_t) dt$$

The sticky reflected SDE with boundary diffusion is composed of

- interior diffusion $\mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}}(X_t)dB_t$,
- boundary diffusion $\mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t)dB_t^{\partial\mathcal{D}}$
- normal sticky reflection $-\mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t) \frac{1}{2\gamma} n(X_t)dt$

From now on, we abbreviate $dX_t =: \sigma(X_t)dB_t + a(X_t)dt$ where

$$\sigma(X_t) := \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{D}}(X_t) + \mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t)\pi(X_t), \quad a(X_t) := -\mathbf{1}_{\partial\mathcal{D}}(X_t) \frac{1}{2} \left(\kappa(X_t) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) n(X_t).$$

The stickiness level γ

Let

- λ be the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^d
- s be the surface measure on $\partial\mathcal{D}$
- $\rho := 1_{\mathcal{D}}\alpha\lambda + 1_{\partial\mathcal{D}}\alpha's$, $\alpha, \alpha' \in \mathbb{R}$

ρ becomes a probability measure on \mathbb{R}^d with full support on $\bar{\mathcal{D}}$ if we choose

$$\alpha = \bar{\alpha}/\lambda(\mathcal{D}), \quad \alpha' = (1 - \bar{\alpha})/s(\partial\mathcal{D}), \quad \bar{\alpha} \in [0, 1],$$

The probability measure ρ is then the invariant distribution of X_t whenever

$$\frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{\bar{\alpha}}{1 - \bar{\alpha}} \frac{s(\partial\mathcal{D})}{\lambda(\mathcal{D})}$$

As $\gamma \rightarrow 0$, $\bar{\alpha} \rightarrow 1$ and the invariant distribution concentrates on \mathcal{D} .
 As $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$, $\bar{\alpha} \rightarrow 0$ and the invariant distribution concentrates on $\partial\mathcal{D}$

The sticky reflected SDE of mean-field type with boundary diffusion

For β of linear growth in (t, x, μ) and Lipschitz in μ w.r.t. TV.;
 \mathcal{U} prog.meas. processes; \mathcal{D} as before.

Theorem (A., Djehiche (2020))

Given $u \in \mathcal{U}$, there exists a unique weak solution (\mathbb{P}^u) to the sticky reflected SDE of mean-field type with boundary diffusion

$$dX_t = \sigma(X_t)dB_t^u + \left(a(X_t) + \sigma(X_t)\beta(t, X_t, \mathbb{P}^u(t), u_t) \right) dt$$

Under \mathbb{P}^u the t-marginal distribution of X . is $\mathbb{P}^u(t)$ for $t \in [0, T]$ and X . is almost surely $C([0, T]; \bar{\mathcal{D}})$ -valued. Furthermore, $\mathbb{P}^u \in \mathcal{P}_p(\Omega)$.

Proof: Start from base case \mathbb{P} . The **Girsanov transform** given by $L_T = \mathcal{E}_T(\int_0^T \beta(t, X_t, Q(t), u_t) dB_t)$ transforms \mathbb{P} to $\mathbb{P}^{Q,u}$ and is well defined for any $Q \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$. The map $Q \mapsto \mathbb{P}^Q$ is a contraction in the complete space $(\mathcal{P}(\Omega), D_{TV})$, and has fixed point \mathbb{P}^u .

CONTROL of sticky reflected SDE of mean-field type with boundary diffusion

Consider the following finite time-horizon problem:

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A mean-field control problem where the likelihood process *acts* as the state process.

We have a PMP under some additional assumptions:

- For $\phi = \beta, f, g$,

$$\phi(t, X_., \mathbb{P}^{\textcolor{red}{u}}(t), \textcolor{red}{u}_t) = \phi(t, X_., \mathbb{E}[L_t^{\textcolor{red}{u}} r_\phi(X_t)], \textcolor{red}{u}_t),$$

where $r_\beta, r_f, r_g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$.

- For every $u \in \mathcal{U}$, the process $(f(t, X, \mathbb{E}[L_t^u r_f(X_t)], u_t))_t$ is progressively measurable with respect to \mathbb{F} and $(x, y) \mapsto g(x, y)$ is Borel measurable.
- The functions $(t, x, y, u) \mapsto (f, \beta)(t, x, y, u)$ and $(x, y) \mapsto g(x, y)$ are twice continuously differentiable with respect to y . Moreover, β , f and g and all their derivatives up to second order with respect to y are continuous in (y, u) , and bounded.

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Using Buchdahn *et al.* (2011) and Honsker (2012):

Theorem (A., Djehiche (2020))

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INTERACTING sticky reflected SDEs with boundary diffusion

Consider $N \in \mathbb{N}$ (non-transformed, independent) sticky reflected SDEs with boundary diffusion

$$dX_t^i = a(X_t^i)dt + \sigma(X_t^i)dB_t^i, \quad X_0^i = x_i. \quad (3)$$

Theorem (Grothaus, Vosshall (2017))

There exists a unique probability measure \mathbb{P}^N on (Ω, \mathbf{F}) , where $\Omega := C([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^{Nd})$ and \mathbf{F} is the corresponding filtration. Under \mathbb{P}^N , (X^1, \dots, X^N) satisfies (27) and is $C([0, T]; \bar{\mathcal{D}}^N)$ -valued \mathbb{P}^N -a.s.

Interaction and control can be introduced
with a Girsanov transformation.

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Introducing controls – setup for cooperative minimization

Given $\mathbf{u} := (u^1, \dots, u^N) \in \mathcal{U}^N$, let $\mu_t^N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \delta_{X_t^i}$ and

$$dL_{i,t}^{\mathbf{u}} = L_{i,t}^{\mathbf{u}} \beta(t, X_t^i, \mu_t^N, u_t^i) dB_t^i, \quad L_{i,0}^{\mathbf{u}} = 1.$$

$L_t^{N,\mathbf{u}} := \prod_i L_{i,t}^{\mathbf{u}}$ defines a Girsanov transform of \mathbb{P}^N to $\mathbb{P}^{N,\mathbf{u}}$.

Under $\mathbb{P}^{N,\mathbf{u}}$ the coordinate process is $C([0, T]; \bar{\mathcal{D}})$ -valued a.s. and satisfies

$$dX_t^i = (\sigma(X_t^i) \beta(t, X_t^i, \mu_t^N, u_t^i) + a(X_t^i)) dt + \sigma(X_t^i) dB_t^{i,\mathbf{u}}, \quad X_0^i = x_i,$$

where $B^{i,\mathbf{u}}$ is a $\mathbb{P}^{N,\mathbf{u}}$ -BM. Also, $\mathbb{P}^{N,\mathbf{u}} \in \mathcal{P}_p((C([0, T]; \mathcal{D})^N)$.

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Experimental results show that average pedestrian speed in a cross-section of a corridor can be **higher in the center than near the walls** (Daamen *et al.* (2007)), but also **higher near the walls** (Zanlungo *et al.* (2012)), depending on the circumstances (congestion, geometry, etc).

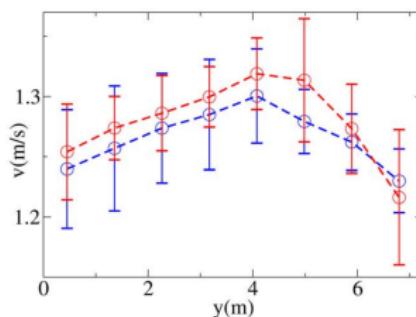


Figure 2. Velocity distributions as measured in the environment E_1 (\bar{v}^+ in red, \bar{v}^- in blue). Error bars are obtained as standard deviations of values of \bar{v} averaged over time windows of length 1200 s.
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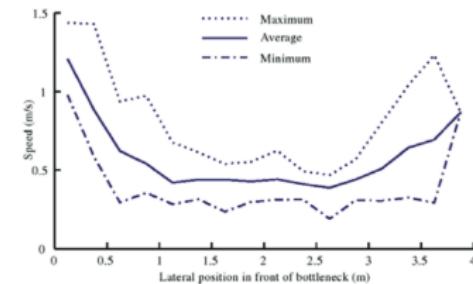


Fig. 5. Speeds as function of the lateral position in a cross-section upstream of the bottleneck during congestion.

EXAMPLE: Unidirectional pedestrian flow

Let \mathcal{D} be a long narrow corridor with exit x_T and entrance x_0 in opposite ends.

$$\begin{cases} \min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \frac{1}{2} E \left[\int_0^1 L_t^u f(t, X., E[L_t^u r_f(X_t)], u_t) dt + L_T^u |X_T - x_T|^2 \right], \\ \text{s.t. } dL_t^u = L_t^u u_t dB_t, \quad L_0^u = 1. \end{cases}$$

f is a congestion-type running cost:

$$f(t, X., E[L_t^u r_f(X_t)], u_t) = \mathcal{C}(X_t) \{1 + h(t, X., E^u[r_f(X_t)])\} |u_t|^2,$$

where

- $|u|^2$ is the cost of moving in **free space**;
- $h|u|^2$ is the additional cost to move in **congested areas**;
- $\mathcal{C}(X_t) := \xi 1_\Gamma(X_t) + 1_{\mathcal{D}}(X_t)$, $\xi > 0$, monitors f on the boundary $\partial\mathcal{D}$.

Lower ξ yields lower overall cost of moving on $\partial\mathcal{D}$ and vice versa.

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Assuming U is convex, an optimal control satisfies

$$\hat{u}_t = \frac{\sigma(X_t)(X_t - x_T)}{\mathcal{C}(X_t)(1 + h(t, X., E^{\hat{u}}[r_f(X_t)]))}, \quad \mathbb{P}\text{-a.s., a.e.-}t \in [0, T].$$

By using \hat{u} , the agents implements the following strategy:

- Move towards the exit x_T ,
- Scale the speed according to local congestion.

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We will compare two congestion-type costs

- friendly

$$h = h_1 := |X_2(t) - E^{\hat{u}}[X_2(t)]|$$

- averse

$$h = h_2 := \frac{1}{|X_2(t) - E^{\hat{u}}[X_2(t)]|}$$

In both cases,

- $r_f((x_1, x_2)) = x_2$
- $X_2(t)$ is the y -component of X_t (perpendicular to the corridor walls).

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Estimated cross-section mean speed profiles

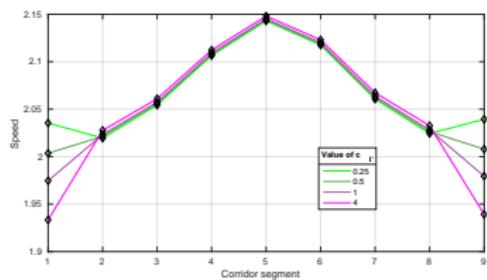


Figure: Congestion friendly
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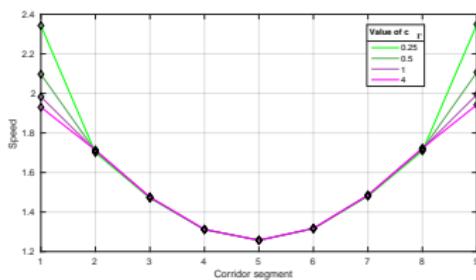


Figure: Congestion averse
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CONCLUSIONS

- Control of scenarios through Girsanov transformation: a MFTC problem.
- The stickiness level is not controlled.
- Convergence of non-controlled particle system to sticky reflected SDE of MFT with boundary diffusion.
- Sticky boundaries allows pedestrians to spend time, move, and interact at the boundary.

Thank you!