

1. Consider a forward SDE,

$$dx_t = f(x_t, t) dt + g(x_t, t) dW_t,$$

> show that the corresponding probability flow ODE is written as >

$$\frac{dx_t}{dt} = \left[f(x_t, t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x_t, t) - \frac{g^2(x_t, t)}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x_t, t) \right], dt.$$

sol : By Fokker – Planck function we have

$$\frac{\partial p(x, t)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[f(x, t) p(x, t) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[g^2(x, t) p(x, t) \right]$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[f p - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (g^2 p) \right] \\ &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[f p - \frac{1}{2} (2 p \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g + g^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p) \right] \\ &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[(f - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g) p - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p \right] \end{aligned}$$

By score function, we have $S(x, \theta) = \nabla_x \log p(x, \theta)$, which can be rewritten into the form $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x, t)$

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By the flow ODE

$$\frac{\partial p(x, t)}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [v(x, t) p(x, t)]$$

, compare to $(\star\star)$ we have $v(x, t) = [f - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2 - \frac{1}{2} g^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x, t)]$ which implies that,

$$dx_t = \left[f(x_t, t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g^2(x_t, t) - \frac{g^2(x_t, t)}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log p(x_t, t) \right] dt.$$