

Approximations to generators of Stochastic Fluid Models

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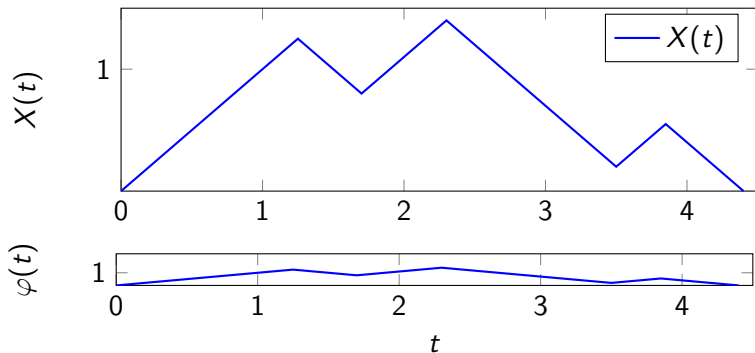


Stochastic Fluid Models

- ▶ Two-dimensional Markov process

$$\{\varphi(t), X(t)\}_{t \geq 0}.$$

- ▶ $\{\varphi(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ a CTMC with generator T , on finite state space \mathcal{S} .
- ▶ $X(t) = \int_{s=0}^t c_{\varphi(s)} ds$

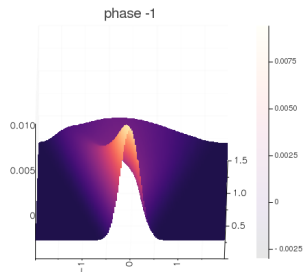
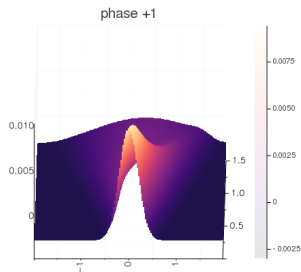


The PDE

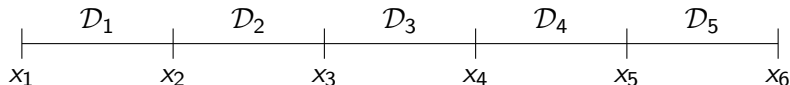
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_i(x, t) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}} f_j(x, t) T_{ji} - c_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f_i(x, t)$$

where

$$f_i(x, t) dx = P(\varphi(t) = i, X(t) \in dx)$$



The Galerkin method – The Stencil and Meshes



We also have (for example)

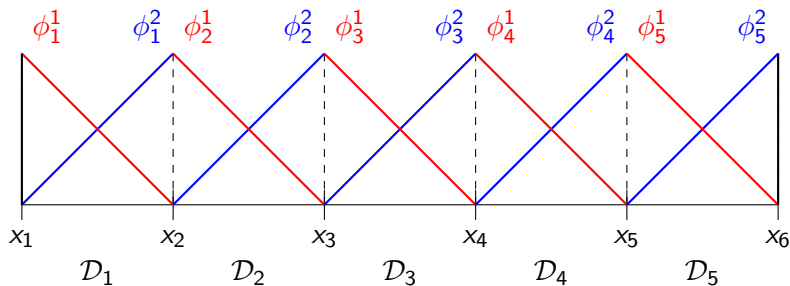
$$\phi_k^1, \phi_k^2$$

compactly supported basis functions on the k -th mesh. On each \mathcal{D}_k we approximate

$$f_i(x, t) \approx \sum_{\ell=1}^N a_{i,k}^{\ell}(t) \phi_k^{\ell}(x).$$

The Galerkin method – The Mesh

Consider a simple mesh



Basis functions:

$$\phi_k^1(x) = \frac{x_{k+1} - x}{\Delta_k}, \quad \phi_k^2(x) = \frac{x - x_k}{\Delta_k}.$$

The Galerkin method – The weak form

Equivalent to the PDE with right choice of basis functions.

For each basis function on each mesh $k = 1, 2, \dots, K$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} f_i(x, t) \phi_k^m(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{j \in S} \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} f_j(x, t) T_{ji} \phi_k^m(x) dx - c_i \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f_i(x, t) \right] \phi_k^m(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Integrate by parts to shift derivative, create *flux* term.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{j \in S} \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} f_j(x, t) T_{ji} \phi_k^m(x) dx + c_i \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} f_i(x, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \phi_k^m(x) dx \\ &\quad - c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_k^m(x)]_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

The Galerkin method – Approximation

Recall: on each \mathcal{D}_k , approximate

$$f_i(x, t) \approx \sum_{\ell=1}^N a_{i,k}^{\ell}(t) \phi_k^{\ell}(x).$$

On substitution into PDE

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_{\ell=1}^N a_{i,k}^{\ell}(t) \overbrace{\int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^{\ell}(x) \phi_k^m(x) dx}^{[M_k]_{\ell m}} \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}} T_{ji} \sum_{\ell=1}^N a_{j,k}^{\ell}(t) \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^{\ell}(x) \phi_k^m(x) dx \\ &+ c_i \sum_{\ell=1}^N a_{i,k}^{\ell}(t) \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^{\ell}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \phi_k^m(x) dx}_{[G_k]_{\ell m}} - c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_k^m(x)]_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

The Galerkin method – Matrix form

Let

$$\mathbf{a}_{i,k}(t) = (a_{i,k}^1(t), \dots, a_{i,k}^N(t))$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{a}_{i,k}(t) \mathbf{M}_k &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}} \mathbf{a}_{j,k}(t) \mathbf{M}_k T_{ji} + c_i \mathbf{a}_{i,k}(t) \mathbf{G}_k \\ &\quad - c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_k^m(x)]_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$[\mathbf{M}_k]_{\ell m} = \int_{D_k} \phi_k^\ell(x) \phi_\ell^k(x) dx, \quad [\mathbf{G}_k]_{\ell m} = \int_{D_k} \phi_k^\ell(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \phi_\ell^k(x) dx$$

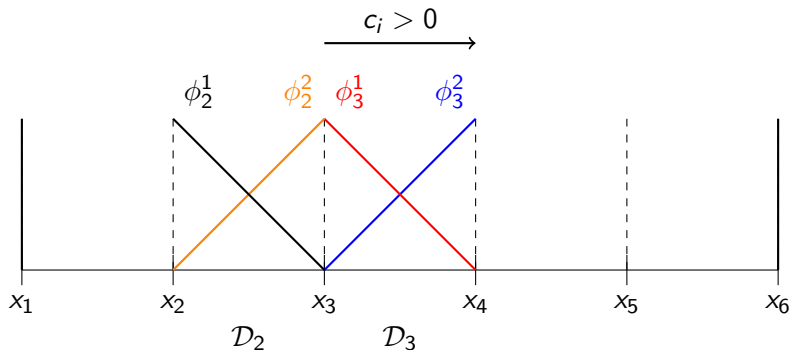
The Galerkin method – The Flux

The Flux is $-c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_k^m(x)]_{x_k}^{x_{k+1}}$. Flow for \mathcal{D}_3 is

$$-c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_3^1(x)]_{x_3}^{x_4} \approx -c_i [0 - a_{i,2}^2(t)],$$

$$-c_i [f_i(x, t) \phi_3^2(x)]_{x_3}^{x_4} \approx -c_i [a_{i,3}^2(t) - 0]$$

links intervals together (boundary condition).



The Galerkin method – Matrix form

$$M = \text{diag}(M_k), \quad G = \text{diag}(G_k), \quad F_i = \text{flux}$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i(t) = (\mathbf{a}_{i,1}(t), \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i,k}(t), \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i,K}(t))$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{a}_i(t) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}} \mathbf{a}_j(t) T_{ji} + \mathbf{a}_i(t) c_i (G - F_i) M^{-1}.$$

With $\mathbf{a}(t) = (\mathbf{a}_1(t), \dots, \mathbf{a}_p(t))$ the solution is

$$\mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{a}(0) \exp((T \otimes I + \text{diag}(c_i(G - F_i)M^{-1}))t).$$

Density to probability

We are actually interested in

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}(X(t) \in \mathcal{D}_k, \varphi(t) = i) \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} f_i(x, t) dx \\ &\approx \sum_{\ell} a_{i,k}^{\ell}(t) \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^{\ell}(x) dx \\ &= \mathbf{a}_{i,k}(t) \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^1(x) dx \\ \vdots \\ \int_{\mathcal{D}_k} \phi_k^N(x) dx \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{D}_k} \mathbf{1} \\ &=: \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{i,k}(t) \mathbf{1}. \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_{i,k}^{\ell}(t)$ is the probability *mass* captured by basis function $\phi_k^{\ell}(x)$.

Density to probability

Also define $D = \text{diag}(D_k)$. Since

$$\alpha_i(t)D^{-1} = \mathbf{a}_i(t),$$

then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{a}(t) = \mathbf{a}(t)T \otimes I + \mathbf{a}(t)\text{diag}(c_i(G - F_i)M^{-1}),$$

is equivalent to

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \alpha(t) = \alpha(t)T \otimes I + \alpha(t)\text{diag}(c_i(G - D^{-1}F_iD)M^{-1}),$$

since M , G , $T \otimes I$ commute with D .

Approximation to the generator

Solution is

$$\alpha(t) = \alpha(0) \exp(\overbrace{\left[T \otimes I + \text{diag}(c_i(G - D^{-1}F_i D)M^{-1}) \right]}^{\text{Generator, } B} t),$$

and

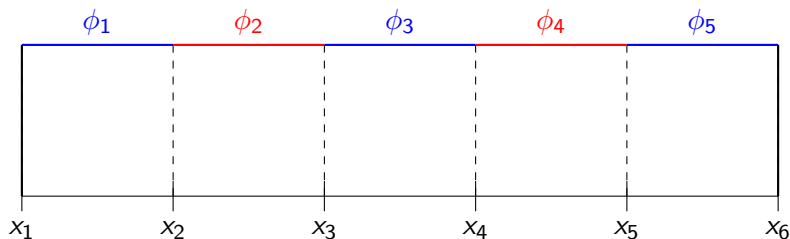
$$\left[T \otimes I + \text{diag}(c_i(G - D^{-1}F_i D)M^{-1}) \right]$$

is the approximation to the generator of the SFM.

- ▶ $T \otimes I$ stochastic jumps of $\varphi(t)$.
- ▶ G transfer of density *within* mesh.
- ▶ F_i transfer of density *between* meshes.
- ▶ M and D account for mesh/basis function 'size'.

Example

Consider the simplest mesh,



with $x_{k+1} - x_k = \Delta$ and basis functions:

$$\phi_k(x) = 1.$$

Example – Order 0

Re-order elements of $\alpha(t)$ according to

1. phase, $\varphi(t)$, then
2. basis function, then
3. mesh.

$$\hat{\alpha}(t) = (\alpha_{1,1}^1(t), \dots, \alpha_{p,1}^1(t), \alpha_{1,1}^2(t), \dots, \alpha_{p,1}^2(t), \dots, \alpha_{p,K}^n(t), \dots, \alpha_{p,K}^n(t)).$$

Example – Order 0

Solution

$$\hat{\alpha}(t) = \hat{\alpha}(0) \exp(Bt)$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} T - C_+ & C_+ & & & \\ C_- & T - C & C_+ & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & C_- & T - C \\ & & & C_- & T - C_- \end{bmatrix}$$

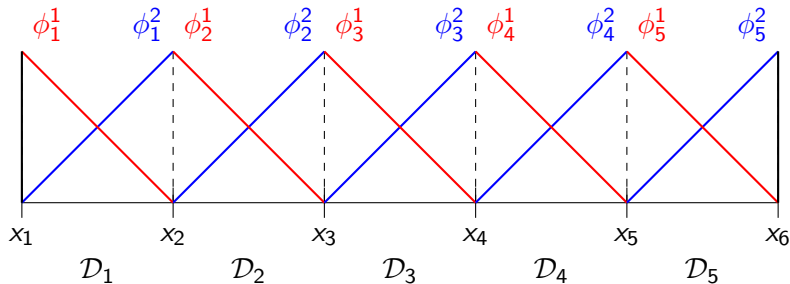
where

$$C_- = \text{diag}(|c_i|1(c_i < 0)/\Delta), \quad C_+ = \text{diag}(|c_i|1(c_i > 0)/\Delta).$$

$$C = C_- + C_+.$$

- ▶ The QBD approximation of Bean & O'Reilly (2013).
- ▶ Conserves positivity, total probability.

Example – Order 1



Basis functions:

$$\phi_k^1(x) = \frac{x_{k+1} - x}{\Delta_k}, \quad \phi_k^2(x) = \frac{x - x_k}{\Delta_k}.$$

Example – Order 1

$$\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2\}, \quad c_1 > 0, \quad c_2 < 0.$$

$$B = I \otimes T$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{bmatrix} B_1^+ & & A_2^+ & & & & & \\ & B_1^- & & & & & & \\ & & A_1^+ & A_2^+ & & & & \\ & A_0^- & & A_1^- & & & & \\ & & & & \ddots & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & A_0^- & A_1^+ & A_2^+ \\ & & & & & & A_1^- & \\ & & & & & & A_0^- & D_1^+ \\ & & & & & & & D_1^- \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_1^+ = \begin{bmatrix} -3c_1 & 3c_1 \\ -1c_1 & -1c_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 4c_1 & -2c_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_1^+ = \begin{bmatrix} -3c_1 & 3c_1 \\ -3c_1 & 3c_1 \end{bmatrix},$$

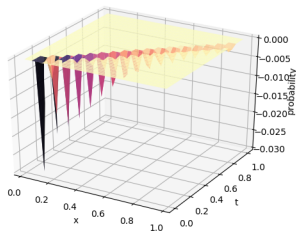
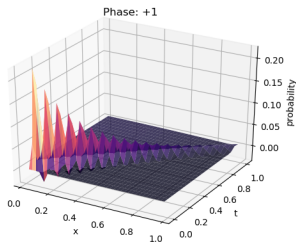
$$B_1^- = \begin{bmatrix} 3|c_2| & -3|c_2| \\ 3|c_2| & -3|c_2| \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_0^- = \begin{bmatrix} -2|c_2| & 4|c_2| \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_1^- = \begin{bmatrix} -1|c_2| & -1|c_2| \\ 3|c_2| & -3|c_2| \end{bmatrix}$$

- Conserves *total* probability.
- Does not necessarily conserve positivity.

Example – Order 1

$$\mathcal{S} = \{1, 2\}, \quad \Delta = 0.025 \text{ (40 intervals)}, \quad c_1 = 1,$$
$$T = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{Interval: } [0, 1], \quad c_2 = -1.$$

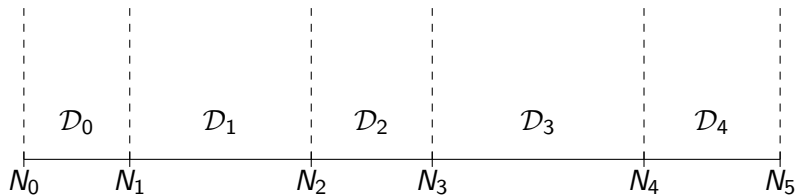
Initial distribution : point mass at 0 in phase 1.



Future work

- ▶ Use ideas from probability to build approximations with probabilistic properties.
- ▶ i.e. stochastic generator matrices.
- ▶ probability 😎
- ▶ functional analysis 😐

Update!



$$\{N_k\} \sim \text{Poisson process} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta} \right).$$

Update!

The generator of the probabilities $P(\varphi(t) = i, X(t) \in \mathcal{D}_k)$ is

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} T - C_+ & C_+ & & \\ C_- & T - C & C_+ & \\ & & \ddots & \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$C_- = \text{diag}(|c_i|1(c_i < 0)/\Delta), \quad C_+ = \text{diag}(|c_i|1(c_i > 0)/\Delta).$$

$$C = C_- + C_+.$$

- ▶ The QBD approximation of Bean & O'Reilly (2013), again!
- ▶ Can we generalise to MAP arrivals?