

Stochastic Master Equation

- the SME gives us a complete description of sys evolution
- it tells us, for every state S , how $P(S,t)$ increases or decreases due to events

- $$W_{S_1 \rightarrow S_2} = \sum_{k: R_k(S)=S_2} w_k(S)$$

total rate of all events take S_1 to S_2

- We can write the time evolution of $P(S,t)$ in the form of a differential difference eq.

$$\frac{dP(S,t)}{dt} = \sum_{S' \in \Sigma} \left(\underbrace{W_{S' \rightarrow S} P(S',t)}_{\text{gain/inflow}} - \underbrace{W_{S \rightarrow S'} P(S,t)}_{\text{loss/outflow}} \right)$$



first-order differential eq in time
difference eq in state space

- complete probabilistic definition
- exact + fully characterizes systems evolution
- ... often intractable + hard to numerically solve w very sparse

→ approx methods

→ coarse-graining → deterministic

→ gillespie → answers same q but in a way that lends itself to be simulated.

Birth Process



state $S = n \in \mathbb{N}$

Event $E = \{R\}$ $R(n) = n+1$

rate $w = n \times \text{rate 1 particle}$

$$w(n) = n\lambda$$

$P_n(t) \equiv \text{Prob of } n \text{ particles at time } t$

$$\frac{dP_n(t)}{dt} = \text{gain into } S=n + \text{loss from } S=n$$

gain

can only come from

$$\sum_{s' < n} W_{s' \rightarrow n} P(s', t) = \sum_{s' < n} \sum_{k: R(s')=n} w_k(s')$$

only 1 reaction on one state

$$w(n-1) P_{n-1}(t) = (n-1)\lambda P_{n-1}(t)$$

loss

$$w(n) P_n(t)$$

Put together

$$\frac{dP_n(t)}{dt} = (n-1)\lambda P_{n-1}(t) - n\lambda P_n(t)$$

$$|\lambda=1| \quad P_n(t \neq 0) = S_{n,1} \quad (\text{one particle})$$

recursive approach

$$\dot{P}_n(t) = (n-1)P_{n-1}(t) - nP_n(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{P}_1(t) = -P_1(t) \rightarrow P_1(t) = P_1(t=0)e^{-t} = e^{-t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{P}_2(t) = P_1(t) - 2P_2(t)$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{P}_2 + 2P_2 = P_1 = e^{-t} \times e^{2t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [e^{2t} P_2(t)] = P_1 e^{2t} = e^{+t}$$

$$P_2(t=0) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow e^{2t} P_2(t) = e^{-t} + A$$

$$0 = 1 + A \Rightarrow A = -1$$

$$\rightarrow P_2(t) = e^{-t} - e^{-2t}$$

is there a better way?

yes \rightarrow generating function

generating function (encapsulation of sequence)

$$P(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n(t) z^n$$

given a sequence

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} F_n z^n$$

$$\{F_n\} = F_1, F_2, \dots$$

if we can solve $F(z)$

we know entire sequence

discrete version of laplace

z controls how far we look

Integrating factor

$$\left[\frac{dy}{dt} + P(t)y = q(t) \right] \times e^{\int P(t)dt}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [M(t)y(t)] = M(t)q(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} [M(t)y(t)] = \frac{d}{dt} [M(t)]y(t) + M(t)\frac{dy}{dt}$$

if we choose $\frac{dM}{dt} = M(t)P(t)$

$$\Rightarrow M(t) = e^{\int P(t)dt}$$

then

$$\frac{d}{dt} [M(t)y(t)]$$

$$= M(t)\frac{dy}{dt} + M(t)P(t)y$$

generating function approach

$$\sum_n \left[\dot{P}_n = (n-1)P_{n-1} - nP_n \right] \times z^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{P}(z) &= \sum_{n \geq 1} (n-1)P_{n-1} z^n - \sum_{n \geq 1} nP_n z^n \\ &= z^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} - z \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\dot{P}(z) = z(z-1) \frac{\partial P}{\partial z}}$$

1-dim wave eq
from
differential diff

Solve via method of characteristics

* let us look for solutions along characteristic $(z(t), t)$ curve where P is constant \bar{P}

$$\left[\frac{d}{dt} P(z(t), t) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \frac{dz}{dt} \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow P(z(t), t) = f(y, t)$$

* compare with $\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + (-z(z-1)) \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0$

and IC $P(z, t=0) = \sum P_n(t=0) z^n = z$

solve $\frac{dz}{dt} = -z(z-1)$

$$\int \frac{dz}{z(z-1)} = - \int dt \rightarrow \int \left(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{z-1} \right) dz = - \int dt \rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right) = -t + C$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{z}{z-1} = A e^t$$

$$\boxed{A = \frac{z}{z-1} e^{-t}}$$

$$P(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n(t) z^n$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n P_n z^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \dot{P}_n z^n$$

$$\textcircled{1} \sum_{n \geq 1} (n-1) P_n z^n$$

$$= z \sum_{n \geq 1} (n-1) P_n z^{n-1}$$

$$= z \left[0 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1) P_{n-1} z^{n-1} \right]$$

$$= z^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n P_n z^{n-1}$$

$$= z^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial z}$$

② Because P is constant along characteristics

$$P(z, t) = f\left(\frac{z}{z-1} e^{-t}\right)$$

at $t=0$ we know

$$P(z, t=0) = f\left(\frac{z}{z-1}\right) = z$$

↳ let's solve $f(\omega)$ $\left| \begin{array}{l} \omega = \frac{z}{z-1} \Rightarrow z = \frac{\omega}{\omega-1} \end{array} \right.$

$f(\omega) = z = \frac{\omega}{\omega-1}$ functional form

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{z}{z-1} e^{-t}\right) = \frac{\frac{z}{z-1} e^{-t}}{\frac{z}{z-1} e^{-t} - 1}$$

↳ simplify

$$P(z, t) = \frac{z e^{-t}}{z e^{-t} - (z-1)} = \frac{z e^{-t}}{1 - z(1-e^{-t})}$$

③ Power series expansion $\left| \begin{array}{l} P(z, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n(t) z^n \\ \text{use } \frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad |x| < 1 \end{array} \right.$

$$P(z, t) = z e^{-t} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - z(1-e^{-t})}$$

$$= z e^{-t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n (1-e^{-t})^n$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{n+1} (e^{-t} (1-e^{-t})^n)$$

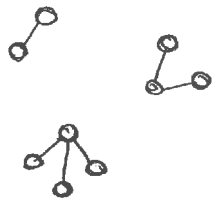
$$n'=n+1 \quad \underline{\underline{= \sum_{n'=1}^{\infty} z^{n'} [e^{-t} (1-e^{-t})^{n'-1}]}}$$

$$P_n(t) = e^{-t} (1-e^{-t})^{n-1}$$

observables + mean-field approx

- SDE often intractable
- for complex state spaces it is helpful to define an observable
- $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ or $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

ex/ S



$$f(S) = \vec{n}$$

$$[n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, \dots]$$

$$[0, 1, 1, 1, \dots]$$

- We are now interested in the time evolution of the expected value of this measure/observable

$$\bar{f}(t) = \langle f(S) \rangle(t) = \sum_S f(S) P(S, t)$$

(**) Heuristic + Broken down approach

① What happens when an event R_k occurs?

- state change $S \rightarrow R_k(S)$
- measure $f(S) \rightarrow f(R_k(S))$
- net change $\Delta_k f(S) = f(R_k(S)) - f(S)$

② How often does this event happen/what is the expected change in the observable due to one event?

- The process R_k has a rate $w_k(S)$ which gives the probability per unit time that it happens
- In a small time dt , the expected contribution of one process R_k :

$$\Delta_k f(S) \cdot w_k(S) dt$$

- This is still conditional on being in state S

③ Taking an average over all possible states + processes
(expected rate of change = average over all states)

- To find the overall expected change in f at time t , we average over all states + events

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle f(S) \rangle(t) = \sum_k \sum_S \underbrace{\Delta_k f(S)}_{(1)} \cdot \underbrace{w_k(S) P(S, t)}_{(2)}$$

- 1) change in observable due to each process
- 2) multiplied it by how likely that process is to happen at each state
- 3) Averaged over all possible states

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \langle f(S) \rangle(t) = \sum_k \langle \Delta_k f(S) \cdot w_k(S) \rangle$$

this is the exact first-moment equation

Now the question becomes:

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How does the expected value of $f(s)$, $\langle f(s) \rangle$, change over time

This can be calculated directly using the SDE
(**) see notes for derivation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle f(s) \rangle(t) = \sum_{s \in \Sigma} f(s) \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} P(s, t)}_{\text{plug in}}$$

$$= \sum_k \langle \Delta_k f(s) \omega_k(s) \rangle$$

exact-first
moment equation

$$\approx \sum_k \Delta_k f(\langle s \rangle) \omega_k(\langle s \rangle)$$

mean-field approx
assume weak
correlations
or small
fluctuations

with $\Delta_k f(s) = f(R_k(s)) - f(s)$, which is
the net change in the measurable.
when R_k happens $s \rightarrow R_k(s)$ $f(s) \rightarrow f(R_k(s))$

So here we have for each process R_k

(1) How much it changes the thing we are observing

(2) How often it happens, $\omega_k(\dots)$

\Rightarrow Multiply these together + average over all
possible states - or approximate using mean-
and then sum over all events/processes.

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Derivation from SME

given $\frac{d}{dt} \langle f(s) \rangle = \sum_{s \in \Sigma} f(s) \frac{d}{dt} P(s, t)$ (1)

we had from SME

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = \sum_{s'} \left[\underbrace{W_{s' \rightarrow s} P(s', t)}_{\text{gain}} - \underbrace{W_{s \rightarrow s'} P(s, t)}_{\text{loss}} \right]$$

with $W_{s_1 \rightarrow s_2} = \sum_{k: R_k(s_1) = s_2} \omega_k(s_1)$

∴ the contribution to (1) from the gain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_s f(s) \sum_{s'} W_{s' \rightarrow s} P(s', t) \\ &= \sum_{s'} \sum_s f(s) \left(\sum_{k: R_k(s') = s} \omega(s') \right) P(s', t) \\ & \stackrel{R}{=} \sum_{s'} f(R_k(s')) \underbrace{\sum_s \sum_{k: R_k(s') = s} \omega(s') P(s', t)}_{\sum_k} \\ &= \boxed{\sum_{s'} \sum_k f(R_k(s')) \omega_k(s') P(s', t)} \end{aligned}$$

$\sum_{s_2} \sum_{k: R_k(s_1) = s_2} \Rightarrow \sum_k$

∴ contribution from loss

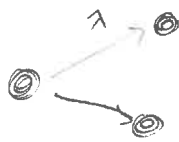
$$\begin{aligned} \sum_s f(s) \sum_{s'} W_{s \rightarrow s'} P(s, t) &= \sum_s f(s) \sum_{s'} \left(\sum_{k: R_k(s) = s'} \omega_k(s) \right) P(s, t) \\ &= \sum_k \sum_s f(s) \omega_k(s) P(s, t) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \langle f(s) \rangle &= \sum_k \left(\sum_s (f(R_k(s)) - f(s)) \omega_k(s) P(s, t) \right) \\ &= \sum_k \left(\sum_s \Delta_k f(s) \omega_k(s) P(s) \right) \\ &= \sum_k \langle \Delta_k f(s) \omega_k(s) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Birth Process revisited

$$S = n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$B: n \rightarrow n+1$$

$$\omega = n\lambda$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{P}(t) = \sum_k \Delta_k \bar{P}(\bar{S}) \omega_k(\bar{S})$$

$$f(n) = n \quad (n \equiv \text{particles})$$

$$\frac{d\bar{n}(t)}{dt} \approx \Delta f(\bar{n}) \cdot \omega(\bar{n})$$

$$\bullet \Delta f(\bar{n}) = (n+1) - n = 1 \quad \text{w/ } \omega_k(n) = n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dn}{dt} &= \sum_k \Delta_k f(\langle S \rangle) \omega_k(\langle S \rangle) \\ &= (1)(n) \end{aligned}$$

solve

$$\dot{n}(t) = n(t)$$

$$n(t=0) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{dn}{n} = \int dt \rightarrow \ln(n) = t + C \rightarrow n = A e^t$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n = e^{++}}$$

Recall from SME

$$P_n(t) = e^{-t} (1 - e^{-t})^{n-1}$$

$$\langle n \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n P_n(t)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n e^{-t} (1 - e^{-t})^{n-1}$$

$$= e^{-t} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^n$$

$$= e^{-t} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} a \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^{n-1}$$

$$= e^{-t} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} a \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n$$

$$= e^{-t} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \frac{a}{1-a}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-t}}{(1-a)^2} = \frac{e^{-t}}{e^{-2t}}$$

$$\boxed{\langle n \rangle = e^t}$$

→ same solution

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a} (a)^{n-1} = n a^{n-2} \frac{\partial a}{\partial n}$$

$$a = (1 - e^{-t})$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \quad |x| < 1$$

$$\frac{u'v - v'u}{v^2}$$

$$u = a \quad u' = 1$$

$$v = (1-a) \quad v' = -1$$

$$\frac{1 - (-1) + a}{(1-a)^2}$$

$$\frac{(1-e^{-t})^2}{1 - 2e^{-t} + e^{-2t}}$$

Irreversible Aggregation

ex/ ① gravitational accretion

② Blood coagulation

③ cloud formation

④ Polymerization



$$\bar{C}_k(t) = \frac{\bar{N}_k}{N} = \text{concentration of clusters of mass } k \text{ at time } t$$

Writing the master equation

$$S = (A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle A_k \rangle(t)$$

• each aggregation event (i, j) ~~use~~ k_{ij}

$$A_i + A_j \xrightarrow{k_{ij}} A_{i+j}$$

So $R_{i,j}$

$$A_i \rightarrow A_i - 1$$

$$A_j \rightarrow A_j - 1$$

$$A_{i+j} \rightarrow A_{i+j} + 1$$

for identical particles

$$w_{ij}(S) = \begin{cases} k_{ij} A_i A_j & i \neq j \\ \frac{1}{2} k_{ii} A_i^2 & i = j \end{cases} \quad \binom{C_3}{2} = \frac{A_i (A_i - 1)}{2} \approx \frac{1}{2} A_i^2$$

number of distinct pairs \times rate per pair

• change in measure

$$\Delta_{ij} A_k = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } i+j=k \\ -1 & \text{if } i=k \text{ or } j=k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} C_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} [k_{ij} A_i A_j] (\delta_{i+j,k} - \delta_{k,i} - \delta_{k,j})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} C_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} [k_{ij} A_i A_j - A_k \sum_{i \geq 1} k_{ik} A_i]$$

Smolukhowski Coagulation Eqn

Kernel \sim dependent only on mass

- encodes the physics

- in our case now assuming $N_{\text{particles}} \gg \text{large}$
Shape + position don't matter

- 3 exactly soluble models

constant

$$k_{ij} = \alpha$$

Sum

$$k_{ij} = \beta(i+j)$$

Product

$$k_{ij} = \gamma ij$$

Moments of $\rho_k(t)$ (help us capture shape)

$$M_n(t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} k^n \rho_k(t)$$

(decrease with time)

$M_0(t) = N_c(t) \rightarrow$ Number of clusters / unit volume

$M_1(t) = M(t) \rightarrow$ total mass (we expect this to be constant)

$M_{n>1} = 1 \rightarrow$ how mass is distributed across clusters

- M_2 mass variance - grows over time as mass concentrates into larger clusters

* $M_1 / M_0 \equiv M / N$ gives average cluster mass

$M_{n+1} / M_n \equiv$ general

Constant Kernel Aggregation

lets for now take

$$C_k = \frac{N_k}{N}$$

$$k_{ij} = 2$$

$$C_k(t=0) = \delta_{k,0}$$

monomer only I.C.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} C_k = - \sum_{i+j=k} \dot{C}_i C_j - 2C_k \sum_i C_i M_0(t)$$

Looking at the moments

$$M_n(t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} k^n C_k(t)$$

typical mass $M_{n+1}(t)/M_n(t)$

$$\dot{M}_n(t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} k^n \dot{C}_k(t)$$

$$= \sum_{k \geq 1} \sum_{i+j=k} C_i C_j k^n - 2 \sum_{k \geq 1} C_k \sum_i C_i k^n$$

$$\dot{M}_n(t) = \sum_{i,j} (i+j)^n C_i C_j - 2 M_0(t) M_n(t)$$

$$\underline{n=0} \quad \dot{M}_0(t) = \sum_{i,j} C_i C_j - 2 M_0^2 = -M_0^2 \xrightarrow{-\int \frac{1}{N^2} dN = dt} N_c(t) = \frac{1}{t+1}$$

$$\underline{n=1} \quad \dot{M}_1(t) = \sum_{i,j} (i+j) C_i C_j - 2 M_0 M_1 = 0 \rightarrow N = M_1(t) = 1$$

$$\underline{n=2} \quad \dot{M}_2(t) = \sum_{i,j} (i^2+j^2+2ij) C_i C_j - 2 M_0 M_2 = 2 M_1^2 = 2$$

$$\rightarrow M_2(t) = 1 + 2t$$

(gives you an idea of typical cluster mass)

$$\underline{n=3} \quad \dot{M}_3(t) = \sum_{i,j} (i^3+j^3+3i^2j+3ij^2+j^3) C_i C_j - 2 M_0 M_3$$

$$= 2 M_3 / N + 2 \cdot 3 M_2 M_1 - 2 M_3 M_0$$

$$= 6(1+2t)(1)$$

$$\rightarrow M_3(t) = 1 + 6t + 6t^2$$

in general $M_n \simeq n! t^{n-1}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

Recursion Approach

$$\frac{dC_k}{dt} = \left(\sum_{i+j=k} C_i C_j \right) - 2C_k \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} C_i$$

$$N = \frac{1}{1+t}$$

$$\underline{k=1} \quad \dot{C}_1 = -2C_1 M_0 = -\frac{2}{1+t} C_1$$

$$\rightarrow \int \frac{1}{C_1} dC_1 = -2 \int (1+t)^{-1} dt$$

$$\ln(C_1) = -2 \ln(1+t) + C$$

exponential

$$C_1 = A(1+t)^{-2}$$

$$C_1(0) = 1$$

$$C_1 = (1+t)^{-2}$$

k=2

$$\dot{C}_2 = C_1^2 - 2C_2 M_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+t)^4} - \frac{2C_2}{1+t}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} C_2 + \frac{2}{1+t} C_2 = \frac{1}{(1+t)^4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left[(1+t)^2 C_2 \right] = \frac{1}{(1+t)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1+t)^2 C_2 = -\frac{1}{(1+t)} + A$$

$$A=1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{t}{(1+t)^3}$$

Integrating factor
 $\left[\frac{dy}{dt} + p(t)y = q(t) \right] \times e^{\int p(t) dt}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [\mu(t) C_2] = \mu(t) q(t)$

$$\mu(t) = e^{\int \frac{2}{1+t} dt} = e^{2 \ln(1+t)} = (1+t)^2$$

k=3

$$\dot{C}_3 = 2C_1 C_2 - 2C_3 N$$

$$= 2t(1+t)^{-5} - 2(1+t)^{-1} C_3$$

$$\rightarrow C_3 = \frac{t^2}{(1+t)^4}$$

k=4

$$C_4 = \frac{t^3}{(1+t)^5}$$

k=5

$$C_5 = \frac{t^4}{(1+t)^{k+1}}$$

General solution

$$C_k(t) = \frac{t^{k-1}}{(1+t)^{k+1}}$$

Alternative Approach & generating function

$$\frac{dC_k}{dt} = \underbrace{\sum_{i+j=k} C_i C_j}_{\text{convolution (1)}} - 2C_k \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} C_i}_{(2)}$$

$$\sum_k (1) \cdot z^k = \sum_i \sum_j C_i C_j z^i z^j = g(z, t)^2$$

$$\sum_k (2) \cdot z^k = 2 \sum_k C_k z^k \cdot \underbrace{\sum_i C_i}_{k=1} = 2g(z, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{g}(z, t) = g(z, t)^2 - 2g(1, t)g(z, t)$$

because of the convolution structure we reduce
infinite ODE's \rightarrow single PDE!

~~g(z, t)~~

$$g(z, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k(t) z^k$$

$$\sum_k C_k = g(z=1, t) = N(t)$$

$$g(z, t=0) = z$$

$$g(1, t) = \sum C_k(t) = M_0$$

Solving the generating function

$$\dot{g} = g^2 - 2gM_0 \quad - \quad \dot{M} = -M_0^2$$

$$\dot{g} - \dot{M} = g^2 - 2gM_0 + M_0^2 = (g - M_0)^2$$

let
 \downarrow $u = g - M_0$

$$\dot{u} = u^2$$

ricatti-equation

$$u(t=0) = g(z,0) - M_0(0) = z - 1$$

$\sum n_k z^k$
 $-\frac{1}{z-1} = 0 + A,$

$$\begin{aligned} M_0 &= \sum n_k \\ &= 1 \\ g(z) &= \sum c_k z^k \\ &= z' \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{u} = t + A = -\frac{1}{z-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{u} = \frac{t(z-1) - 1}{(z-1)} \rightarrow$$

$$u(z,t) = \frac{z-1}{1 - t(z-1)}$$

$$M_0 = N_c = \frac{1}{1+t}$$

recovering $g = u + M_0$

$$g(z,t) = \frac{z-1}{1 - t(z-1)} + \frac{1}{1+t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+t} \frac{z}{1 - (z-1)t}$$

$$= \frac{z}{(1+t)^2} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{zt}{(1+t)})}$$

$$g(z,t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} c_k(t) z^k$$

recovering power series form

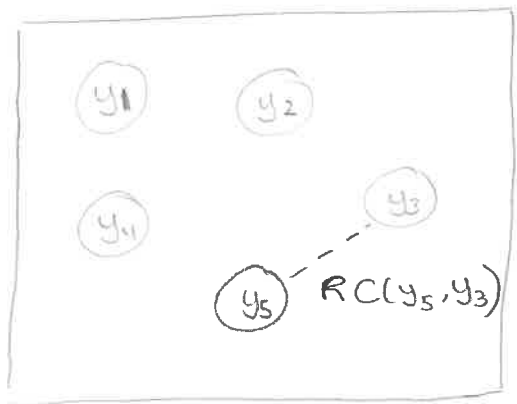
$$g(z,t) = \sum_k z^k \frac{t^{k-1}}{(1+t)^{k+1}}$$

$$c_k = \frac{t^{k-1}}{(1+t)^{k+1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{z}{(1+t)^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k \frac{t^k}{(1+t)^k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{k+1} \frac{t^k}{(1+t)^{k+2}} \\ &\stackrel{k' \rightarrow k+1}{=} \sum_{k'=1}^{\infty} z^{k'} \frac{t^{k'-1}}{(1+t)^{k'+1}} \end{aligned}$$

System: Link formation; heterogeneous Network

Model Setup: Random Network with heterogeneity dependent rates

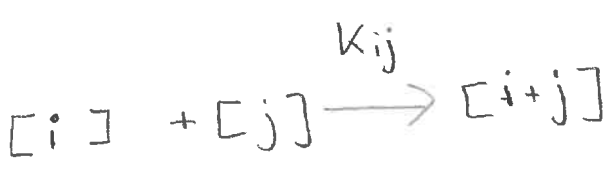
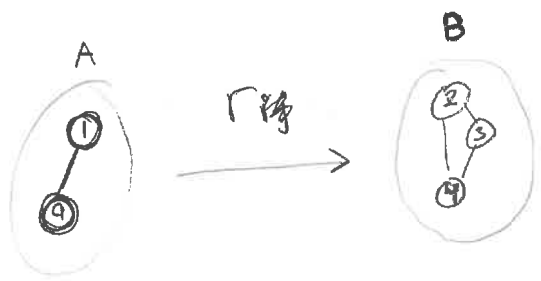


- N Labeled monomers
- $y_i \forall i \in [1, N]$ $q(y)$: probability distribution



$P_{ij} = \mathbb{P}(y_i, y_j)$
rate of link formation

Model Setup: State, event, rates - State Network (N, E)



measure State $\hat{n}_k \equiv$ Connected components

- Events $[i] + [j] \rightarrow [i+j]$

- rates $K_{ij} = R F(i, j)$

- ① \hat{n}_k number of links and for pair i, j
 - ② pair-wise interaction rate
 - ③ $F \equiv$ mean field coalescence probability
- $F \equiv$ average value for all

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 C(y_i, y_j) q(y_i) q(y_j) dy_i dy_j$$

Master equation (mean-field)

$$\frac{dn_k}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} k_{ij} n_i n_j - n_k \sum_{i+j=k} k_{ik} n_i$$

I.C.
 $n_k(t) = N \delta_{1,k}$

$$= \left[\frac{RF}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} ij n_i n_j - kn_k \sum_i i n_i \right] \times RF$$

Method of moments (Detection of critical time)

$$M_n(t) = \sum_k k^n n_k(t)$$

$$\text{IC} \quad M_n(0) = N \quad \forall n$$

Conservation of mass

$$M_1(t) = N$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{M}_1 &= \sum_k k \dot{n}_k = RF \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j (i+j) i j n_i n_j - \sum_k k^2 n_k \sum_i i n_i \right) \\ &= RF \left(M_2(t) M_1(t) - M_2(t) M_1(t) \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{IC} \rightarrow \boxed{M_1(t) = N}$$

Second moment + onset of gelation

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{M}_2(t) &= \sum_k k^2 \dot{n}_k = RF \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j (i+j)^2 i j n_i n_j - \sum_k k^3 n_k \sum_i i n_i \right) \\ &= RF \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j (2i^3 j + 2i^2 j^2) n_i n_j - \sum_k k^3 n_k \sum_i i n_i \right) \\ &= RF M_2^2(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{IC} \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{M_2} dM_2 = RF \int dt \quad -\frac{1}{M_2} + \frac{1}{M_2(0)} = RF t$$

$$\boxed{M_2(t) = N \left(1 - (RFN)t \right)^{-1} = N \left(1 - t/t_c \right)^{-1}}$$

when $\boxed{t = t_c = \frac{1}{RFN}}$
divergence in finite time

$\rightarrow M_2(t)$ diverges $\rightarrow \infty$
typical cluster size $\sim \infty$

- Break down of mean-field description
- non-equilibrium phase transition: sudden appearance of a cluster (giant) $\sim N$, contains finite fraction of total system

higher order moments

ex/ $N=3$

$$\dot{M}_3 = 3RF M_2(t) M_3(t)$$

Solving with i.c. $M_3 = N(1 - t/t_c)^{-3}$

- diverges at same point

- diverges faster

* One can show by induction $M_2(t)$ for $n \geq 2$ diverges at t_c

Gel Fraction and mass conservation beyond t_c

- Let us define $g(t) \in [0, 1]$

$$M_1(t) = \begin{cases} N & t < t_c \\ N(1 - g(t)) & t \geq t_c \end{cases}$$

* this will be useful later

Zeroth moment and number of clusters

$$M_0 = \sum n_k(t)$$

$$\dot{N}_c(t) = \dot{M}_0(t) = \sum \dot{n}_k(t)$$

$$= RF \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j i j n_i n_j - \sum_k k n_k \sum_i i n_i \right)$$

$$= -\frac{RF}{2} M_1^2(t)$$

$t < t_c$ $\Rightarrow \dot{N}_c = -\frac{RF N^2}{2} = -\frac{N}{2t_c} \Rightarrow \boxed{N_c = N(1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{t}{t_c})}$
linear decay

$t \geq t_c$ $\dot{N}_c = -\frac{RN}{2} (1 - g(t))^2$

Generating function approach

- exponential generating Function

$$D(x,t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} n_k e^{kx}$$

- more convenient to work with derivative (will simplify analysis)

$$\mathcal{E}(x,t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} D(x,t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} k n_k e^{kx}$$

- At $x=0$ derivatives of generating functions are just the moments

$$M_n(x,t) = \left. \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} D(x,t) \right|_{x=0} = \sum_{k \geq 1} k^n n_k(t)$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{E}}(x,t) = \sum_{k \geq 0} k \dot{n}_k e^{kx}$$

$$= \text{RF} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j (i+j) i j n_i n_j e^{ix} e^{jx} - \sum_k k^2 n_k e^{kx} \sum_i i n_i \right)$$

$$= \text{RF} \left(\sum_i i^2 n_i e^{ix} \sum_j j n_j e^{jx} - \sum_k k^2 n_k e^{kx} \sum_i i n_i \right)$$

$$= \text{RF} \left(\mathcal{E}' \mathcal{E} - \mathcal{E}' N \right) = \frac{1}{N t_c} (N - \mathcal{E}) \mathcal{E}'$$

\Rightarrow

$$\dot{\mathcal{E}} + U(\mathcal{E}) \mathcal{E}' = 0$$

\rightarrow invicid burgers equation

$$U(\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{N t_c} (N - \mathcal{E})$$

Solving inviscid burger's equation : method of characteristics

$$\dot{\varepsilon} + v(\varepsilon) \varepsilon' = 0$$

$$v(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{Nt_c} (N - \varepsilon) \varepsilon'$$

- method of characteristics PDF \rightarrow ODE
 'lets look only along the paths where $\varepsilon(x(t), t)$ is constant'

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\varepsilon(x(t), t)) = \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial t} + \frac{dx}{dt} \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v(\varepsilon(x, t)) = -\frac{1}{t_c} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{N} \right)$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{t_c} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{N} \right) t + f(\bar{\varepsilon})$$

- initial conditions

$$\varepsilon(x, 0) = \sum_{k \geq 1} k n_k e^{kx} = N e^{x(t=0)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon(x, 0) = N e^{x(t=0)} \Rightarrow x(t=0) = \ln(\bar{\varepsilon}/N)$$

- In general we have the implicit solution

$$x(t) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{N} \varepsilon(x, t) \right) \frac{t}{t_c} + \ln\left(\frac{1}{N} \varepsilon(x, t)\right)$$

\Rightarrow

$$e^{x - t/t_c} = \frac{\varepsilon}{N} e^{-\varepsilon/N t/t_c}$$

Dynamics of cluster size distribution : Lagrange inversion

$$e^{x - t/t_c} = \frac{\varepsilon}{N} e^{-\varepsilon/N t/t_c}$$

- invert this and get series expansion of $\varepsilon(x, t)$

Lagrange inversion

- Suppose you have a function implicitly defined

$$X = f(Y) = Y e^{-Y}$$

- known result (series expansion of tree function)

Inverse function $Y(X) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^{k-1}}{k!} X^k$

- we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{t}{t_c} e^{x - t/t_c} &= \frac{t}{t_c} \frac{\varepsilon}{N} e^{-\varepsilon/N t/t_c} \\ \Rightarrow X = \frac{t}{t_c} e^{x - t/t_c} &= Y = \frac{t}{t_c} \frac{\varepsilon}{N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{t}{N t_c} \varepsilon(x, t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^{k-1}}{k!} \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^k (e^{x^k}) (e^{-t/t_c k})$$

$$\varepsilon(x, t) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \left[k e^{x^k} \right] \left[\frac{k^{k-2}}{k!} \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^{k-1} e^{-k t/t_c} \right]$$

$n_k(t)$

$$n_k(t) = N \left(\frac{k^{k-2}}{k!} \right) \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^{k-1} e^{-k t/t_c}$$

Looking at the cluster size distribution

monomers $n_1(t) = N \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right) \left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^0 e^{-t/t_c}$

$$n_1(t) = N e^{-t/t_c}$$

$n_k(t)$ for $k \gg 1$

$$k! \approx \sqrt{2\pi k} \left(\frac{k^k}{e^k} \right) \text{ Stirling approx}$$

$$\left(\frac{t}{t_c} \right)^{k-1} = \exp((k-1) \ln(t/t_c)) \approx \exp(k \ln(t/t_c))$$

$$\rightarrow n_k(t) \approx N \left(\frac{k^{k-2}}{\sqrt{2\pi k} k^{1/2}} \right) \left(\frac{e^k}{k^k} \right) e^{(k-1) \ln(t/t_c) - k(t/t_c)}$$

$$\approx \frac{N}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(k^{-5/2} \right) \exp \left[+k \left(\frac{t}{t_c} - \ln(t/t_c) - 1 \right) \right]$$

when $t \approx t_c \Rightarrow t/t_c \approx 1 \Rightarrow$
 $\rightarrow \alpha - \ln(\alpha) - 1 \approx \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - 1)^2$

$f(x) = e^{x-1} - x$
 $f'(x) = e^{x-1} - 1$
 $f''(x) = e^{x-1}$
 $f(1) = 0$
 $f'(1) = 0$
 $f''(1) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow n_k(t) = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2\pi}} k^{-5/2} e^{-\frac{k}{2} (1 - t/t_c)^2}$$

$n_k(t=t_c)$

$$n_k(t=t_c) = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2\pi}} k^{-5/2}$$

Power law w/ exponent -2.5

Dynamics of gel ($g(t)$: gel fraction)

$$\bullet M_1(t) = \begin{cases} N & t < t_c \\ N(1-g(t)) & t > t_c \end{cases}$$

• Notice $\mathcal{E}(x=0, t) = M_1(t) = \sum k n_k = N(1-g(t))$

• recall implicit solution

$$e^{x - t/t_c} = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{N} e^{-\mathcal{E}/N t/t_c}$$

Set $x=0$

$$y e^y = x \Rightarrow e^{-t/t_c} = \frac{N}{N} (1-g(t)) e^{-\frac{N}{N} (1-g(t)) t/t_c} = -\frac{t}{t_c} e^{-t/t_c}$$

• Lambert-W functions

• given $y e^y = x \Rightarrow y = W_k(x)$
 \hookrightarrow multivalued function

• for real y & x only two branches

$\hookrightarrow W_0(x)$: principle branch $x \geq -1/e$

$\hookrightarrow W_{-1}(x)$: lower branch $-1/e \leq x < 0$

$$\bullet -\left(1-g(t)\right) \frac{t}{t_c} = W_k\left(-\frac{t}{t_c} e^{-t/t_c}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{g(t) = 1 + \frac{W_{-1}\left(-\frac{t}{t_c} e^{-t/t_c}\right)}{t/t_c}}$$

* only W_0 branch gives physical solutions $g(t) \in [0, 1]$