

# Solving Stochastic Partial Differential Equations as Stochastic Differential Equations in Infinite Dimensions - a Review

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# Infinite Dimensional DE's

Two fundamental problems:

- Peano theorem is invalid in infinite dimensional Banach spaces

## Theorem (Peano)

*For each continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R} \times B \rightarrow B$  defined on some open set  $V \subset \mathbb{R} \times B$  and for each point  $(t_0, x_0) \in V$  the Cauchy problem*

$$x'(t) = f(t, x(t)), \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

*has a solution which is defined on some neighborhood of  $t_0$ .*

## Theorem (Godunov, 1973)

*Each Banach space in which Peano's theorem is true is finite dimensional.*

- Appearance of unbounded operators in the equation  $\Delta : W^{1,2} \rightarrow W^{1,2}$  (Sobolev space) is unbounded.

# SPDE's to Infinite Dimensional SDE's

Most popular approaches:

- Semigroup solution, mild solution to a semilinear DE (Hille, DaPrato, Zabczyk).
- Solution in a multi-Hilbertian space, e.g. in a dual to a nuclear space (Itô, Kallianpur).
- Variational solution in Gelfand triplet (Agmon, Lions, Röckner).
- Solutions via Dirichlet forms (Albeverio, Osada (Itô Prize 2013))
- White noise approach (Hida)
- Brownian sheet formulation (Walsh)
- Solutions in  $R^\infty$  (Leha, Ritter)

# (S)PDE's to Infinite Dimensional (S)DE's

## Example (Abstract Cauchy Problem - Semilinear SDE)

- One-dimensional Heat Equation,

$$\begin{cases} u_t(t, x) = u_{xx}(t, x), & t > 0 \\ u(0, x) = \varphi(x) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{du(t)}{dt} = \Delta u(t), & t > 0 \\ u(0) = \varphi \in X \end{cases}$$

The Cauchy problem is equation is transformed to an abstract Cauchy problem in the Banach space  $X$  of bounded uniformly continuous functions. The differentiation is in the sense of the Banach space.

Solution:

$$u(t, x) = (G(t)\varphi)(x).$$

where  $G(t)$  is the Gaussian semigroup on the Banach space  $X$

$$(G(t)\varphi)(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{1/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp\{-|x-y|^2/4t\} \varphi(y) dy, & t > 0 \\ \varphi(x), & t = 0. \end{cases}$$

# SPDE's to Infinite Dimensional SDE's

## Example (Fréchet nuclear space)

- Neuronal Models

$$dX_t = -A^* X_t + B(X_t) dW_t$$

If  $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_H)$  is a separable Hilbert space and  $A$  is an operator with a discrete spectrum, with eigenvalues and eigenvectors  $\lambda_j > 0$  and  $h_j \in H$ , such that

$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_j)^{-2r_1} < \infty$  for some  $r_1 > 0$ , then

$$\Phi = \left\{ \phi \in H : \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_j)^{2r} \langle \phi, h_j \rangle_H^2 < \infty, \quad \forall r \geq 0 \right\}$$

is a Fréchet nuclear space, with  $\{h_j\} \subset \Phi$  being a common orthogonal system.

# SPDE's to Infinite Dimensional SDE's

- Let  $H_r$ , be the completion of  $\Phi$  with respect to the Hilbertian norms  $\|\cdot\|_r$  defined by the inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_r = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_j)^{2r} \langle f, h_j \rangle_H \langle g, h_j \rangle_H, \quad f, g \in H.$$

$$\Phi' = \bigcup_{r>0} H_{-r}, \quad \text{so that} \quad \Phi \subset \dots \subset H_r \subset \dots \subset H \subset H_{-r} \subset \dots \subset \Phi'$$

- For  $S'(\mathbb{R})$ , take  $A = t^2 - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} - I$ ,  $H = L_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $h_j$ , Hermite functions.
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## Example (Gelfand Triplet - Variational Solutions)

- Diffusion Models

$$dX_t = AX(t) + B(X_t)dW_t$$

with  $A : V = W_0^{1,2} \rightarrow V^* = W_0^{-1,2}$  and  $B : V \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}, H) = H = L^2$  by

$$Av = \alpha^2 \frac{d^2 v}{dx^2} + \beta \frac{dv}{dx} + \gamma v + g, \quad v \in V,$$

$$Bv = \sigma_1 \frac{dv}{dx} + \sigma_2 v, \quad v \in V.$$

where  $H = L^2((-\infty, \infty))$ ,  $V = W_0^{1,2}((-\infty, \infty))$ , with the usual norms

$$\|v\|_H = \left( \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} v^2 dx \right)^{1/2}, \quad v \in H,$$

$$\|v\|_V = \left( \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( v^2 + \left( \frac{dv}{dx} \right)^2 \right) dx \right)^{1/2}, \quad v \in V.$$

# SPDE's to Infinite Dimensional SDE's

- Variational Method - Gelfand triplet,

$$V \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V^*,$$

$V, H, V^*$  are real separable Hilbert spaces,  $H$  is identified with its dual  $H^*$ .  
Embeddings are continuous, dense and compact (or Hilbert-Schmidt)

# Semilinear SDE/SDE if $A = 0$

$$dX(t) = (A(X(t)) + F(t, X)) dt + B(t, X) dW_t \quad \text{Wiener}$$

$$dX(t) = (A(X(s)) + F(s, X)) ds + \int_U B(s, X, u) q(ds, du) \text{Poisson}$$

$$X(0) = \xi_0 - \mathcal{F}_0 \text{ meas.}$$

$A : \mathcal{D}(A) \subset H \rightarrow H$  generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup

$F : [0, T] \times C([0, T], H) \rightarrow H$

$B : [0, T] \times C([0, T], H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)$  (Wiener)

$B : [0, T] \times \mathcal{D}([0, T], H) \rightarrow L_2(U, H)$  (Poisson)

$W_t$  is a  $K$ -valued  $Q$ -Wiener process,  $q(ds du) = N(ds du) - ds \mu(du)$  is compensated Poisson random measure (cPrm).

# Semilinear SDE

Mild solution (if  $A = 0$ , strong or weak solution) in  $C([0, T], H)$  or  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], H)$

$$X(t) = S(t)\xi_0 + \int_0^t S(t-s)F(s, X) dt + \int_0^t S(t-s)B(s, X) dW_s$$

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# Motivation for the Mild Solution

- Inhomogeneous Initial Value Problem

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = Au(t) + f(t), \quad t > 0 \quad u(0) = x \in \mathcal{D}(A)$$

If  $u$  is a solution, then

$$\frac{dT(t-s)u(s)}{ds} = T(t-s)f(s)$$

and by integrating

$$u(t) = T(t)x + \int_0^t T(t-s)f(s) ds$$

# Motivation for the Mild Solution

- Stochastic Convolution

$$\int_0^t S(t-s)f(s) ds \text{ is replaced by } S \star \Phi(t) = \int_0^t S(t-s)\Phi(s) dW_s.$$

(see §5.3 D. Khoshnevisan Course notes and Theorem 3.1 in

## Theorem

Assume that  $A$  is an infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of operators  $S(t)$  on  $H$ , and  $W_t$  is a  $K$ -valued  $Q$ -Wiener process. (a) For  $h \in \mathcal{D}(A^*)$ , then

$$\langle X(t), h \rangle_H = \int_0^t \langle X(s), A^* h \rangle_H ds + \left\langle \int_0^t \Phi(s) dW_s, h \right\rangle_H, \quad P\text{-a.s.}, \quad (2.1)$$

iff  $X(t) = S \star \Phi(t)$ . (b) If  $\Phi \in \Lambda_2(K_Q, H)$ ,  $\Phi(K_Q) \subset \mathcal{D}(A)$ , and  $A\Phi \in \Lambda_2(K_Q, H)$ , then  $S \star \Phi(t)$  is a strong solution.

# Multi-Hilbertian (Fréchet nuclear) space SDE

$$dX(t) = F(t, X(t)) dt + B(t, X(t)) dW_t \quad \text{Wiener}$$

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$$F : [0, T] \times \Phi' \rightarrow \Phi'$$

$$B : [0, T] \times \Phi' \rightarrow L(\Phi', \Phi') \text{ (Wiener)}$$

$$B : [0, T] \times \Phi' \times U \rightarrow \Phi' \text{ (Poisson)}$$

Solution, continuous or cadlag, is  $\Phi'$ -valued, but found in  $H_{-p}$ , some  $p > 0$ .

$$\langle \phi, X(t) \rangle = \langle \phi, \xi_0 \rangle + \int_0^t \langle \phi, F(s, X(s)) \rangle dt + \langle \phi, \int_0^t B(s, X(s)) dW_s \rangle$$

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# Variational Method

## Variational SDE

$$dX(t) = A(t, X(t))dt + B(t, X(t)) dW_t$$

with the coefficients

$$A : [0, T] \times V \rightarrow V^* \quad \text{and} \quad B : [0, T] \times V \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)$$

and an  $H$ -valued  $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable initial condition  $\xi_0 \in L^2(\Omega, H)$ .

$$(W) \quad X(t) = \xi_0 + \int_0^t A(s, X(s)) ds + \int_0^t B(s, X(s)) dW_s, \quad P\text{-a.s.}$$

$$(P) \quad X(t) = \xi_0 + \int_0^t A(s, X(s)) ds + \int_0^t \int_U B(s, X(s-), u) q(ds du), \\ P\text{-a.s.}$$

The integrands  $A$  and  $B$  are evaluated at a  $V$ -valued  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable version of  $X(t)$  in  $L^2([0, T] \times \Omega, V)$ .

# Solving the Equation

$A, B$

↑

$a^n, b^n$   
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$

$$a^n(t, x)_j = \langle \phi_j, A(t, \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \phi_k) \rangle_j$$

↑

$a^{n,l}, b^{n,l}, l \rightarrow \infty$  Lip. Approx.

$$E \sup_t \|X^{n,l,k}(t) - X^{n,l}(t)\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2$$

Martingale Rep. Thm.  
 Characterize the Lim.

$$V \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V^*$$

$$\mathbb{R}^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

Pickard

$X$  weak soln. in  
 $C$  or  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$

↑

$X^n$  weak soln. in  
 $C$  or  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], \mathbb{R}^n)$

↑

$X^{n,l}$  strong soln.

↑ in  $L^2$

$X^{n,l,k}$

## Semilinear SDE/SDE when $A = 0$ - Coefficients

(M)  $F$  and  $B$  are jointly measurable, and for every  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , they are measurable with respect to the product  $\sigma$ -field  $\mathcal{F}_t \otimes \mathcal{C}_t$  on  $\Omega \times C([0, T], H)$ , where  $\mathcal{C}_t$  is a  $\sigma$ -field generated by cylinders with bases over  $[0, t]$ .

(JC)  $F$  and  $B$  are jointly continuous.

(G-F-B) There exists a constant  $\ell$ , such that  $\forall x \in C([0, T], H)$

$$\|F(\omega, t, x)\|_H + \|B(\omega, t, x)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)} \leq \ell \left( 1 + \sup_{0 \leq s \leq T} \|x(s)\|_H \right),$$

for  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$ .

(A4) For all  $x, y \in C([0, T], H)$ ,  $\omega \in \Omega$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , there exists  $\mathcal{K} > 0$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(\omega, t, x) - F(\omega, t, y)\|_H + \|B(\omega, t, x) - B(\omega, t, y)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)} \\ \leq \mathcal{K} \sup_{0 \leq s \leq T} \|x(s) - y(s)\|_H. \end{aligned}$$

# Infinite Dimensional SDE ( $A = 0$ ) - Solutions

- Lipschitz case - strong solutions exist and are unique (Pickard)
- Continuous case - Lipschitz Approximation

$$F_n(t, x) = \int \cdots \int F(t, (\gamma_n(\cdot, x_0, \dots, x_n), \underline{e})) \\ \times \text{smoothing kernel}$$

Existence result for  $dX(t) = F(t, X) dt + B(t, X) dW_t$

## Theorem

Let  $H_{-1}$  be a real separable Hilbert space. Let the coefficients  $F, B$  of the SDE satisfy conditions (M), (JC), (G-F-B) on  $H_{-1}$ . Assume that there exists a Hilbert space  $H$  such that the embedding  $J : H \hookrightarrow H_{-1}$  is a compact operator (*failure of the Peano theorem*) and that  $F, B$  restricted to  $H$  satisfy

$$F : [0, T] \times C([0, T], H) \rightarrow H,$$

$$B : [0, T] \times C([0, T], H) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(K, H),$$

and the linear growth condition (G-F-B). Then the SDE has a weak solution  $X(\cdot) \in C([0, T], H_{-1})$ .

# Smoothing Kernel

Let  $\{e_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be an ONB in  $H$ . Denote

$$\begin{aligned}f_n(t) &= (\langle x(t), e_1 \rangle_H, \langle x(t), e_2 \rangle_H, \dots, \langle x(t), e_n \rangle_H) \in R^n, \\ \Gamma_n(t) &= f_n(kT/n) \quad \text{at } t = kT/n \text{ and linear otherwise,} \\ \gamma_n(t, x_0, \dots, x_n) &= x_k \quad \text{at } t = \frac{kT}{n} \text{ and linear otherwise, with } x_k \in R^n, \\ &\quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n.\end{aligned}$$

Let  $g : R^n \rightarrow R$  be non-negative, vanishing for  $|x| > 1$ , possessing bounded derivative, and such that  $\int_{R^n} g(x) dx = 1$ . Let  $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ . We define

$$\begin{aligned}F_n(t, x) &= \int \cdots \int F(t, (\gamma_n(\cdot, x_0, \dots, x_n), \underline{e})) \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{\varepsilon_n}{n} \sum_{k=0}^n x_k^2 \right\} \prod_{k=0}^n \left( g \left( \frac{f_n(\frac{kT}{n} \wedge t) - x_k}{\varepsilon_n} \right) \frac{dx_k}{\varepsilon_n} \right) \quad (3.1)\end{aligned}$$

Above,  $(\gamma_n(\cdot, x_0, \dots, x_n), \underline{e}) = \gamma_n^1 e_1 + \dots + \gamma_n^n e_n$ , where  $\gamma_n^1, \dots, \gamma_n^n$  are the coordinates of the vector  $\gamma_n$  in  $R^n$ , and  $x_k^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_k^i)^2$ ,  $dx_k = dx_k^1 \dots dx_k^n$ .

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has a martingale solution (i.e. weak mild solution).

# Multi-Hilbertian Space; Coefficients are Differential Operators.

- Consider an SDE

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- For a bounded linear operator  $T \in L(\mathbb{R}^d, H_p)$ , its Hilbert–Schmidt norm is calculated as  $\|T\|_{HS(p)} = (\sum_{i=1}^d \|Te_i\|_p^2)^{1/2}$ , where  $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^d$  is the canonical basis in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

### Proposition

For the differential operators  $\partial_i$ ,  $A$ , and  $L$  defined above the following properties hold true:

- (a) For any  $p \geq q + 1/2$ , and  $1 \leq i \leq d$ ,  $\partial_i : S_p \rightarrow S_q$  is continuous, and for  $u \in S_p$ ,

$$\|\partial_i u\|_q \leq C_q \|u\|_p,$$

where the constant  $C_q$  depends (only) on  $q$ .

- (b) For any  $p \geq q + 1$ , and  $u \in S_p$ ,

$$\|Lu\|_q \leq D_q \|u\|_p$$

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# Source of the Main Technical Problem

Why approximate solutions travel from space to space

Proof.

Part (b) follows from (a). Since  $\partial_i^* = -\partial_i$ , for  $u \in S_p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|\partial_i u\|_q^2 &= \sum_{|k|=0}^{\infty} (2|k| + d)^{2q} \langle \partial_i u, h_k \rangle^2 \\ &= \sum_{|k|=0}^{\infty} (2|k| + d)^{2q} \langle u, \partial_i h_k \rangle^2 \\ &\leq 2^{2q} \sum_{|k|=0}^{\infty} (2|k| + d)^{2(q+\frac{1}{2})} \langle u, h_k \rangle^2 \leq C_q \|u\|_p^2.\end{aligned}$$

using the recurrence relation

$$h'_l(x) = \sqrt{\frac{l}{2}} h_{l-1}(x) - \sqrt{\frac{l+1}{2}} h_{l+1}(x).$$



# The Monotonicity Condition

What keeps things within one space

## Theorem

$$2 \langle L(u - v), u - v \rangle_p + \|Au - Av\|_{HS(p)}^2 \leq \theta \|u - v\|_p^2,$$

*holds true for  $r \geq p + 1$ ,  $u, v \in S_r$ .*

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# Existence of Weak Variational Solutions

## Theorem

Let  $V \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V^*$  be a Gelfand triplet (*Unbounded Operator*) with compact inclusions. Let the coefficients  $A, B$  of Equation

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satisfy conditions [JC], [G-A], [G-B], and [C]. Let the initial condition  $\xi_0$  be an  $H$ -valued random variable satisfying [IC]. Then there exists a weak solution  $X(t)$  in  $C([0, T], H)$ , such that

$$E \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X(t)\|_H^2 \right) < \infty, \quad \text{and} \quad E \int_0^T \|X(t)\|_V^2 dt < \infty.$$

# Conditions

(JC) (Joint Continuity) The mappings are continuous

$$(t, \nu) \rightarrow A(t, \nu) \in V^*$$

$$(t, \nu) \rightarrow B(t, \nu)QB^*(t, \nu) \in \mathcal{L}_1(H)$$

For some constant  $\theta \geq 0$ ,

(G-A) (Growth on  $A$  - (Unbounded Operator))

$$\|A(t, \nu)\|_{V^*}^2 \leq \theta (1 + \|\nu\|_H^2), \nu \in V.$$

(G-B) (Growth on  $B$ )

$$\|B(t, \nu)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)}^2 \leq \theta (1 + \|\nu\|_H^2), \nu \in V.$$

Coercivity condition on  $A$  and  $B$

(C) There exist constants  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\gamma, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for  $v \in V$ ,

$$2\langle A(t, v), v \rangle + \|B(t, v)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)}^2 \leq \lambda \|v\|_H^2 - \alpha \|v\|_V^2 + \gamma.$$

Initial condition

(IC) For some constant  $c_0$ .

$$E \left\{ \|\xi_0\|_H^2 \left( \ln \left( 3 + \|\xi_0\|_H^2 \right) \right)^2 \right\} < c_0,$$

# Existence for Wiener noise (cPrm - similar)

Result on the existence of a weak solution.

## Theorem

Let  $B_t^n$  be a standard Brownian motion in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . There exists a weak solution to the following finite dimensional SDE,

$$dX(t) = a(t, X(t))dt + b(t, X(t)) dB_t^n,$$

with an  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -valued  $\mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable initial condition  $\xi_0^n$ , if  $a : [0, \infty] \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b : [0, \infty] \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \otimes \mathbb{R}^n$  are continuous and satisfy the following growth condition

$$\begin{aligned}\|b(t, x)\|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)}^2 &\leq K(1 + \|x\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2) \\ \langle x, a(t, x) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^n} &\leq K(1 + \|x\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2)\end{aligned}$$

for  $t \geq 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and some constant  $K$ .

# Approximation Problem

## Lemma

The growth conditions [G-A] and [G-B] assumed for the coefficients  $A$  and  $B$  imply the following growth conditions on  $a^n$  and  $b^n$ ,

$$\|a^n(t, x)\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2 \leq \theta_n (1 + \|x\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2), \quad \theta_n \rightarrow \infty$$

(Unbounded Operator)

$$\operatorname{tr} (\sigma^n(t, x)) = \operatorname{tr} \left( b^n(t, x) (b^n(t, x))^T \right) \leq \theta (1 + \|x\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2).$$

The coercivity condition [C] implies that for a large enough value of  $\theta$ ,

$$2 \langle a^n(t, x), x \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^n} + \operatorname{tr} \left( b^n(t, x) (b^n(t, x))^T \right) \leq \theta (1 + \|x\|_{\mathbb{R}^n}^2).$$

The constant  $\theta_n$  depends on  $n$ , but  $\theta$  does not.



Tightness in  $C([0, T], V^*)$  - similar in  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$ .

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$$\mu_*^n(Y) = \mu^n \left\{ x \in C([0, T], \mathbb{R}^n) : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(t) \varphi_i \in Y \right\}; \quad Y \subset C([0, T], V^*),$$

where  $\mu^n$  are distributions of finite dimensional solutions,  $\varphi_i, i = 1, \dots$  is an ONB in  $H$ , consisting of elements from  $V$ .

If the embedding  $H \hookrightarrow V^*$  is **compact (H-S in  $\mathcal{D}$ )**. Then the family of measures  $\{\mu_*^n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is tight on  $C([0, T], V^*)$  ( $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$ ).

# Tightness in $C([0, T], V^*)$ and $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$

## Theorem

(Mitoma:  $C([0, T], S')$ ,  $\mathcal{D}([0, T], S')$ ). Let  $V \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V^*$  be Gelfand triplet with **Hilbert–Schmidt embeddings**. Given  $\{\mu_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  Borel probability measures on  $C([0, T], V^*)$  ( $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$ ), s.t.

- 1  $\{\mu_n \circ \pi_V^{-1}\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is tight on  $C([0, T], \mathbb{R})$  ( $\mathcal{D}([0, T], \mathbb{R})$ )
- 2  $\forall \varepsilon \exists M \forall n$

$$\mu_n\{f \in C([0, T], V^*) : \sup_t \|f(t)\|_H > M\} < \varepsilon$$

$$(\mu_n\{f \in \mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*) : \sup_t \|f(t)\|_H > M\} < \varepsilon)$$

then  $\{\mu_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is tight on  $C([0, T], V^*)$  ( $\mathcal{D}([0, T], V^*)$ ).

Thus  $\|a^n\|_H \rightarrow \infty$  is not a problem as we take one dimensional projections only, but the price is H–S embedding.

This can be improved in  $C([0, T], V^*)$ .

## Coming back from $V^*$ to $H$

By the Skorokhod theorem,  $X_n \rightarrow X$  a.s. in  $C([0, T], V^*)$ . Consider

$$\alpha_H : V^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \alpha_H(u) = \sup \{ \langle u, v \rangle, v \in V, \|v\|_H \leq 1 \}.$$

$\alpha_H(u) = \|u\|_H$  if  $u \in H$ , and is lower semicontinuous as a sup of continuous functions. For  $u \in V^* \setminus H$ ,  $\alpha_H(u) = +\infty$ . Thus, we can extend the norm  $\|\cdot\|_H$  to a lower semicontinuous function on  $V^*$ .

By the Fatou lemma,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{C([0, T], V^*)} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|x(t)\|_H^2 \mu_*(dx) &= E \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X(t)\|_H^2 \right) \\ &\leq E \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X^n(t)\|_H^2 \right) \\ &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X^n(t)\|_H^2 \right) \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C([0, T], V^*)} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|x(t)\|_H^2 \mu_*^n(dx) < C. \end{aligned}$$

## Coming back from $H$ to $V$

Apply the Itô formula and Coercivity

$$\begin{aligned} E\|X^n(t)\|_H^2 &= E\|\xi_0^n\|_H^2 + 2E \int_0^t \langle a^n(s, X^n(s)), X^n(s) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^n} ds \\ &\quad + E \int_0^t \text{tr} \left( b^n(s, X^n(s)) (b^n(s, X^n(s)))^T \right) ds \\ &\leq E\|\xi_0\|_H^2 + \lambda \int_0^t E\|X^n(s)\|_H^2 ds - \alpha \int_0^t E\|X^n(s)\|_V^2 ds + \gamma. \end{aligned}$$

Conclude that

$$\sup_n \int_0^T E\|X^n(t)\|_V^2 dt < \infty.$$

Extend the norm  $\|\cdot\|_V$  to a lower semicontinuous function on  $V^*$

$$\alpha_V(u) = \sup \{ \langle u, v \rangle, v \in V, \|v\|_V \leq 1 \},$$

since  $\alpha_V(u) = \|u\|_V$  if  $u \in V$ , and for  $u \in V^* \setminus V$ ,  $\alpha_V(u) = +\infty$ . By the Fatou lemma

$$\int_{C([0, T], V^*)} \int_0^T \|x(t)\|_V^2 dt \mu_*(dx) < \infty.$$

# Characterization of the limit

$$M_t(x) = x(t) - x(0) - \int_0^t A(s, x(s)) ds,$$

is, in either case (Wiener, cPrm), a martingale. Three steps:

- Proving that  $M_t$  is a martingale by evaluating

$$\int (\langle M_t(x) - M_s(x), v \rangle g_s(x)) \mu_*(dx) = 0$$

for a bounded function  $g_s$  on  $C([0, T], V^*)$ , which is measurable with respect to the cylindrical  $\sigma$ -field generated by the cylinders with bases over  $[0, s]$ ,

- Finding its increasing process  $\langle M \rangle_t$
- Using Martingale Representation Theorem

First two steps use uniform integrability. Wiener - usually of  $X_n^2(t)$ , cPrm - more delicate.

# Lions' Theorem (extension of) - $H$ -continuous version:

## Theorem

Let  $X(0) \in L^2(\Omega, H)$ ,  $Y \in L^2([0, T] \times \Omega, V^*)$ ,  $Z \in L^2([0, T] \times \Omega, \mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H))$  be both progressively measurable. Define a continuous  $V^*$ -valued process

$$X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t Y(s) ds + \int_0^t Z(s) dW_s, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

If for its  $dt \otimes P$ -equivalence class  $\hat{X}$  we have  $\hat{X} \in L^2([0, T] \times \Omega, V)$ , then  $X$  is an  $H$ -valued continuous  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -adapted process,

$$E \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|X(t)\|_H^2 < \infty$$

# Pathwise Uniqueness

## Definition

If for any two  $H$ -valued weak solutions  $(X_1, W)$  and  $(X_2, W)$  of Equation

$$dX(t) = A(t, X(t))dt + B(t, X(t)) dW_t$$

defined on the same filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}, P)$  and with the same  $Q$ -Wiener process  $W$ , such that  $X_1(0) = X_2(0)$ ,  $P$ -a.s., we have that

$$P(X_1(t) = X_2(t), 0 \leq t \leq T) = 1,$$

then we say that this Equation has pathwise uniqueness property.

The *weak monotonicity* condition

(WM) There exists  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that for all  $u, v \in V$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ ,

$$2\langle u - v, A(t, u) - A(t, v) \rangle + \|B(t, u) - B(t, v)\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)}^2 \leq c\|u - v\|_H^2.$$

Weak monotonicity is crucial in proving uniqueness of weak and strong solutions. In addition, it allows to construct strong solutions in the absence of the compact embedding  $V \hookrightarrow H$ .

## Theorem

Let the conditions [JC], [GB], [C], [IC] hold true and assume the weak monotonicity condition [WM] and

(G-A) (Growth on A)

$$\|A(t, v)\|_{V^*}^2 \leq \theta (1 + \|v\|_V^2), \quad v \in V.$$

Then the solution to the variational SDE

$$dX(t) = A(t, X(t))dt + B(t, X(t))dW_t$$

is pathwise unique.



## Proof.

Let  $X_1, X_2$  be two weak solutions,  $Y(t) = X_1(t) - X_2(t)$ , and denote its  $V$ -valued progressively measurable version by  $\bar{Y}$ . Applying the Itô formula and the monotonicity condition [WM] yields

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\theta t} \|Y(t)\|_H^2 &= -\theta \int_0^t e^{-\theta s} \|Y(s)\|_H^2 ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t e^{-\theta s} \left( 2 \langle \bar{Y}(s), A(s, X_1(s)) - A(s, X_2(s)) \rangle \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|B(s, X_1(s)) - B(s, X_2(s))\|_{\mathcal{L}_2(K_Q, H)}^2 \right) ds \\ &\quad + 2 \int_0^t e^{-\theta s} \langle Y_s, (B(s, X_1(s)) - B(s, X_2(s))) dW_s \rangle_H \\ &\leq M_t, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_t$  is a real-valued continuous local martingale represented by the stochastic integral above. The inequality above also shows that  $M_t \geq 0$ . Hence by the Doob maximal inequality,  $M_t = 0$ . □

As a consequence of an infinite dimensional version of the result of Yamada and Watanabe we have the following corollary.

## Corollary

*Under conditions of the Existence Theorem and assuming [WM] (weak monotonicity), the variational SDE*

$$dX(t) = A(t, X(t))dt + B(t, X(t)) dW_t$$

*has unique strong solution.*

Yamada-Watanabe argument does not go through in general for cPrm, but works if  $U$  is separable.

# Exponential Ultimate Boundedness

## Definition

We say that the variational solution of the variational SDE

$$dX(t) = A(t, X(t))dt + B(t, X(t)) dW_t$$

is exponentially ultimately bounded in the mean square sense (m.s.s.), if there exist positive constants  $c$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $M$ , such that

$$E \|X^x(t)\|_H^2 \leq c e^{-\beta t} \|x\|_H^2 + M, \quad \text{for all } x \in H.$$

## Theorem

The strong solution  $\{X^x(t), t \geq 0\}$  of equation

$$\begin{cases} dX(t) = A(X(t)) dt + B(X(t)) dW_t \\ X(0) = x \in H \end{cases}$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are in general non-linear mappings, is exponentially ultimately bounded in the m.s.s. if there exists a function  $\Psi : H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  to which Itô's formula can be applied and, in addition, such that

- (1)  $c_1 \|x\|_H^2 - k_1 \leq \Psi(x) \leq c_2 \|x\|_H^2 + k_2$ , for some positive constants  $c_1, c_2, k_1, k_2$  and for all  $x \in H$ ,
- (2)  $\mathcal{L}\Psi(x) \leq -c_3 \Psi(x) + k_3$ , for some positive constants  $c_3, k_3$  and for all  $x \in V$ .

where

$$\mathcal{L}\Psi(u) = \langle \Psi'(u), A(u) \rangle + \text{tr} \left( \Psi''(u) B(u) Q B^*(u) \right).$$

If  $A$  and  $B$  are linear and satisfy coercivity condition, the Lyapunov function can be written explicitly

$$\Psi_0(x) = \int_0^T \int_0^t E \|X_0^x(s)\|_V^2 ds dt,$$

for  $T$  large enough.

- Our example SPDE,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_t u(t, x) = \left( \alpha^2 \frac{\partial^2 u(t, x)}{\partial x^2} + \beta \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} + \gamma u(t, x) + g(x) \right) dt \\ \quad + \left( \sigma_1 \frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial x} + \sigma_2 u(t, x) \right) dW_t, \\ u(0, x) = \varphi(x) \in L^2((-\infty, \infty)) \cap L^1((-\infty, +\infty)), \end{array} \right.$$

- If  $-2\alpha^2 + \sigma_1^2 < 0$ , then the coercivity and weak monotonicity conditions hold true. The growth [G-B] holds and

$$\|A(t, v)\|_{V^*}^2 \leq \theta (1 + \|v\|_V^2), \quad v \in V.$$

and that there exists a unique strong solution  $u^\varphi(t)$  in  $L^2(\Omega, C([0, T], H)) \cap L^2(\Omega \times [0, T], V)$ . Then we can conclude that the solution is exponentially ultimately bounded in the m.s.s. by reducing the case to a linear equation (dropping  $g$ ).



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