

Fluctuations in non-equilibrium and stochastic PDE

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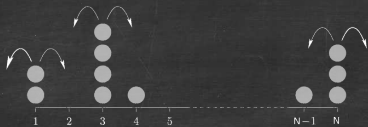
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The zero range process

(could also consider simple exclusion, independent particles).



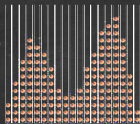
- State space $\mathbb{M}_N := \mathbb{N}_0^{\mathbb{T}_N}$, i.e. configurations $\eta : \mathbb{T}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$: System in state η if container k contains $\eta(k)$ particles.
- Local jump rate function $g : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$.
- Translation invariant, asymmetric, zero mean transition probability

$$p(k, l) = p(k - l), \quad \sum_k kp(k) = 0.$$

- Markov jump process $\eta(t)$ on \mathbb{M}_N .
- $\eta(k, t) =$ number of particles in box k at time t .

- **Hydrodynamic limit?** Multi-scale dynamics

Microscopic picture:
Particles



Evolution of $\rho = \mathbb{E}[\rho_\epsilon]$?

Macroscopic picture:
PDE



- Empirical density field: $\mu^N(x, t) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_k \delta_{\frac{k}{N}}(x) \eta(k, tN^2)$.
- [Hydrodynamic limit - Ferrari, Presutti, Vares; 1987]

$$\mu^N(t) \rightharpoonup^* \bar{\rho}(t) dx$$

with

$$\partial_t \bar{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{xx} \Phi(\bar{\rho})$$

with Φ the mean local jump rate $\Phi(\rho) = \mathbb{E}_{\nu_\rho}[g(\eta(0))]$.

- Loss of information:
 - ▶ Error: $\mu^N = \bar{\rho} + o(1)$
 - ▶ Fluctuations, rare events?

Rate of convergence?

- Higher order expansion / fluctuation correction: Ansatz

$$\mu^N = \bar{\rho} + \frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}} Y^1 + \frac{1}{N} Y^2 + \dots$$

What are Y^i ?

- [Central limit fluctuations in non-equilibrium - Ferrari, Presutti, Vares; 1988]: Fluctuation density fields

$$\begin{aligned} Y^{1,N}(x, t) &= N^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mu^N(x, t) - \mathbb{E}\mu^N(x, t)) \\ &\approx N^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mu^N(x, t) - \bar{\rho}) \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\mathcal{L}(Y^{1,N}) \xrightarrow{*} \mathcal{L}(Y^1) \text{ for } N \rightarrow \infty$$

with Y^1 the (Gaussian) solution to

$$dY^1(x, t) = \partial_{xx}(\Phi'(\bar{\rho}(x, t))Y^1(x, t)) dt + \partial_x(\Phi^{\frac{1}{2}}(\bar{\rho}(x, t))dW(t))$$

with dW space-time white noise.

- Therefore,

$$\mu^N = \bar{\rho} + \overbrace{\frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}}}^{=: \bar{\rho}^N} Y^1 + o\left(\frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right).$$

Rare events?

- [Large deviation principle, Kipnis, Olla, Varadhan; 1989 & Benois, Kipnis, Landim; 1995]: Let now ρ_0 constant. Then, informally,

$$\mathbb{P}[\mu^N \approx \rho dx] \approx \exp\{-N I_0(\rho dx)\},$$

with rate function

$$I_0(\rho dx) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}} |g|^2 dx ds : g \in L^2_{t,x}, \underbrace{\partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} \Phi(\rho) + \partial_x(\Phi^{\frac{1}{2}}(\rho)g)}_{\text{"skeleton equation"}} \right\}$$

- Note: This does **not** coincide with the rate function of the linearly corrected continuum model $\bar{\rho}^N$.

Question: Fluctuation correction implying higher order of approximation and correct rare events?

Ansatz: Langevin dynamics (nonlinear!)

$$\partial_t \rho^N = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho^N)) + \frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}} \partial_x \left(\Phi^{\frac{1}{2}}(\rho^N) dW_t \right).$$

Model case: Dean-Kawasaki, independent particles, $\Phi(\rho) = \rho$, i.e.

$$\partial_t \rho^N = \partial_{xx} \rho^N + \frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}} \partial_x \left((\rho^N)^{\frac{1}{2}} dW_t \right).$$

Informal justification:

1. Physics: Fluctuation-dissipation relation, “fluctuating hydrodynamics”
2. Law of large numbers, Central limit fluctuations (improved order of approximation)
& *correct large deviations*

Informally, correct rare events:

- Recall

$$\partial_t \rho^N = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho^N)) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \partial_x \left(\sqrt{\Phi(\rho^N)} dW_t \right).$$

- Informally applying the contraction principle to the solution map

$$F : \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} dW \mapsto \rho$$

yields as a rate function

$$I(\rho) = \inf \{ I_{dW}(g) : F(g) = \rho \}.$$

- Schilder's theorem for Brownian sheet suggests

$$I_{dW}(g) = \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}} |g|^2 dx dt.$$

- Get

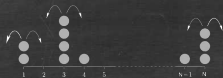
$$I(\rho) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}} |g|^2 dx dt : \partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho)) + \partial_x \left(\sqrt{\Phi(\rho)} g \right) \right\}.$$

- Obstacle

$$\partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho)) + \frac{1}{N^{\frac{1}{2}}} \partial_x \left(\Phi^{\frac{1}{2}}(\rho) dW_t \right)$$

1. not well-posed, supercritical -> no regularity structures
2. Renormalization? Does renormalization appear in rate function? E.g. compare $\Phi_{2/3}^4$ [Hairer, Weber; 2014].

- Decorrelation length of discrete system = $\frac{1}{N}$.



$$\partial_t \rho^N = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho^N)) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \partial_x \left(\sqrt{\Phi(\rho^N)} dW_t^N \right)$$

where W^N has correlation length $\frac{1}{N}$.

- Ansatz: joint limit "small noise, ultraviolet cutoff"

$$\partial_t \rho^{N,K} = \partial_{xx} (\Phi(\rho^{N,K})) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \partial_x \left(\sqrt{\Phi(\rho^{N,K})} \circ dW_t^K \right)$$

where W^K has correlation length $\frac{1}{K}$.

- Gives the correct rate function for $\frac{1}{N} \ll \frac{1}{K}$.

Note: This is a particular case in which the link between *Macroscopic fluctuation theory* [Bertini, De Sole, Gabrielli, Jona-Lasinio, Landim; 2015] and *fluctuating hydrodynamics* [Landau-Lifshitz 1973, Spohn 1991] can be made rigorous.

Two ways to the LDP, the skeleton equation

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Two ways to the LDP, the skeleton equation

- In the following concentrate on the case

$$\Phi(\rho) = \rho^m, \quad m \geq 1.$$

- We consider stochastic PDE of the type

$$\partial_t \rho^{N,K} = \Delta ((\rho^{N,K})^m) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \operatorname{div} ((\rho^{N,K})^{\frac{m}{2}} \circ dW_t^K), \quad (*)$$

on $\mathbb{T}^d \times (0, \infty)$, where $W^K = \sum_{k=1}^K e_k \beta^k$.

- Pathwise well-posedness of (*): [Lions, Souganidis; 1998ff], [Lions, Perthame, Souganidis; 2013], [Lions, Perthame, Souganidis; 2014], [G., Souganidis; 2014], [G., Souganidis; 2015], [G., Fehrman; 2017], [Dareiotis, G.; 2019], [Fehrman, G.; 2021].

Two ways to the LDP:

1. Γ -convergence of the rate functional: $N \uparrow \infty$ yields LDP for (*) with rate function

$$I^K(\rho) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} |g|^2 dx dt : \partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} \rho^m + \partial_x (\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} P^K g) \right\}.$$

Then consider $K \uparrow \infty$.

2. Joint scaling: Weak convergence approach to LDP ($\frac{1}{N} \ll \frac{1}{K}$).

What do we need to show? E.g. Γ -convergence of the rate function

$$I^K(\rho) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} |g|^2 dx dt : \partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} \rho^m + \partial_x \left(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} P^K g \right) \right\}.$$

- Let $\rho^K \rightarrow \rho$ need to show

$$I(\rho) \leq \liminf_K I^K(\rho^K).$$

- Choose g^K such that

$$I^K(\rho^K) = \int_0^T \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} |g^K|^2 dx dt \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_t \rho^K = \partial_{xx} (\rho^K)^m + \partial_x \left((\rho^K)^{\frac{m}{2}} \underbrace{P^K g^K}_{\rightarrow g} \right).$$

- Then $g^K \rightharpoonup g$ in $L^2_{t,x}$. Need to show $\rho^K \rightarrow \rho$ with

$$\partial_t \rho = \partial_{xx} \rho^m + \partial_x \left(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g \right).$$

- Both approaches crucially depend on understanding the skeleton PDE.
- The skeleton equation

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho &= \Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div} (\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g(t, x)) \\ \rho(0, x) &= \rho_0(x), \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

with $g \in L^2_{t,x}$?

- This leads to the key problem

Problem

1. *Existence and uniqueness of solutions to (*)*.
2. *Stability of solutions: Let $g^n \rightarrow g$ in $L^2_{t,x}$ with corresponding solutions ρ^n, ρ . Then*

$$\rho^n \rightarrow \rho$$

in $L^\infty_t L^1_x$.

- Difficulty: Stable a-priori bound? L^p framework does not work.
- Do we expect non-concentration of mass / well-posedness?

Scaling and criticality of the skeleton equation

- We consider

$$\partial_t \rho = \Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d$$

with $g \in L^q(\mathbb{R}_{+,t}; L^p(\mathbb{R}_x^d; \mathbb{R}_x^d))$ and $\rho_0 \in L^r(\mathbb{R}_x^d)$.

- Via rescaling ("zooming in"):
 - ▶ $p = q = 2$ is critical.
 - ▶ $r = 1$ is critical, $r > 1$ is supercritical.

A priori-bounds and energy space

- Consider

$$\partial_t \rho = \Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{T}^d \quad (*)$$

with $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}_{+,t}; L^2(\mathbb{R}_x^d; \mathbb{R}_x^d))$.

- L^1 estimate only gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \rho(t, x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \rho_0(x) dx.$$

- Use entropy-entropy dissipation: Evolution of entropy given by $\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \log(\rho) \rho$. Informally gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \log(\rho) \rho dx \Big|_0^t + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} (\nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}})^2 \lesssim \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} g^2.$$

- Caution: Can only be true for non-negative solutions.
- Non-standard weak solutions, rewriting (*) as

$$\partial_t \rho = 2 \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} \nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}) + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{T}^d$$

- Conclusion: Have to prove uniqueness within this class of solutions.

Ansatz for uniqueness: Show that every weak solution is a renormalized entropy solution (extending the concepts of DiPerna-Lions, Ambrosio to nonlinear PDE).

Let ρ be a weak solution to

$$\partial_t \rho = 2 \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} \nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}) + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{T}^d.$$

Let

$$\chi(t, x, \xi) = 1_{0 < \xi < \rho(x, t)} - 1_{\rho(x, t) < \xi < 0}.$$

Then, informally,

$$\partial_t \chi = m \xi^{m-1} \Delta_x \chi - g(x, t) (\partial_\xi \xi^{\frac{m}{2}}) \nabla_x \chi + (\nabla_x g(x, t)) \xi^{\frac{m}{2}} \partial_\xi \chi + \partial_\xi \rho$$

with ρ parabolic defect measure

$$\rho = \delta(\xi - \rho) 4 \frac{\xi^m}{\xi^{m-1}} |\nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}|^2.$$

- How to make that rigorous? Take convolution

$$\rho^\varepsilon = \varphi^\varepsilon *_x \rho.$$

- Commutator errors,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho^\varepsilon &= \varphi^\varepsilon * \partial_t \rho = \varphi^\varepsilon * (\Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g)) \\ &= \Delta(\varphi^\varepsilon * \rho^m) + \operatorname{div}(\varphi^\varepsilon * (\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g)) \\ &= \Delta(\rho^\varepsilon)^m + \operatorname{div}((\rho^\varepsilon)^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \\ &\quad + \Delta(\varphi^\varepsilon * \rho^m) - \Delta(\rho^\varepsilon)^m \\ &\quad + \operatorname{div}((\varphi^\varepsilon * \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}) g) - \operatorname{div}((\rho^\varepsilon)^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \\ &\quad + \operatorname{div}(\varphi^\varepsilon * (\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g)) - \operatorname{div}((\varphi^\varepsilon * \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}) g). \end{aligned}$$

- Note: Additional commutator errors by commuting convolution and nonlinearities!
- Commutator estimate using non-standard (optimal) regularity $\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} \in L_t^2 H_x^1$
- Additional renormalization step to compensate low time integrability $\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g \in L_t^1 L_x^1$.

Ansatz for uniqueness: Show that every weak solution is a renormalized entropy solution (extending the concepts of DiPerna-Lions, Ambrosio to nonlinear PDE).

Theorem

A function $\rho \in L_t^\infty L_x^1$ is a weak solution to

$$\partial_t \rho = 2 \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} \nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}) + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g)$$

if and only if ρ is a renormalized entropy solution.

Uniqueness for renormalized entropy solutions (variable doubling)

- Additional errors from space-inhomogeneity (with little regularity)
- Note: Entropy dissipation measure

$$q(x, \xi, t) = \delta(\xi - \rho(x, t)) 4 \frac{\xi^m}{\xi^{m-1}} |\nabla \rho^{\frac{m}{2}}|^2$$

does not satisfy

$$\lim_{|\xi| \rightarrow \infty} \int_{t,x} q(x, \xi, t) dx dt = 0.$$

- Established arguments [Chen, Perthame; 2003] not applicable.

Theorem (The skeleton equation)

Let $g \in L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{T}^d; \mathbb{R}^d)$, $\rho_0 \in L^1(\mathbb{T}^d)$ non-negative and $\int \rho_0 \log(\rho_0) dx < \infty$, $m \in [1, \infty)$.

1. There is a unique weak solution

$$\partial_t \rho = \Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{T}^d. \quad (*)$$

For two weak solutions $\rho^1, \rho^2 \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$ we have

$$\|\rho^1 - \rho^2\|_{L^\infty([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))} \leq \|\rho_0^1 - \rho_0^2\|_{L^1(\mathbb{T}^d)}.$$

2. Let $\{g_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{T}^d; \mathbb{R}^d)$ with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n = g \quad \text{weakly in } L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{T}^d; \mathbb{R}^d)$$

and let $\rho_n \in L^1([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$ be the corresponding solutions with control g_n . Then,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho_n = \rho \quad \text{strongly in } L^1([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$$

where $\rho \in L^1([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$ is the solution with control g .

Consider

$$d\rho^N = \Delta(\rho^N)^m dt + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \operatorname{div} \left((\rho^N)^{\frac{m}{2}} \circ dW^{K(N)}(t) \right).$$

Theorem (Large deviation principle)

Let $K(N)$, $n(N) \rightarrow \infty$ with $\frac{K(N)^3}{N} \rightarrow 0$ for $N \rightarrow \infty$. For $\rho_0 \in L^{m+1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ and $\rho \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$ let

$$I_{\rho_0}(\rho) := \inf \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|g(s)\|_{L_x^2}^2 ds : g \in L_{t,x}^2, \partial_t \rho = \Delta \rho^m + \operatorname{div}(\rho^{\frac{m}{2}} g) \right\}.$$

Then, the family $\{\rho^N\}$ satisfies the large deviation principle on $L^\infty([0, T]; L^1(\mathbb{T}^d))$ with good rate function I_{ρ_0} , uniformly on compact subsets of $L^{m+1}(\mathbb{T}^d)$.



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