

# Convex Integration Solutions for Stochastic Transport Equation <sup>1</sup>

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# Deterministic Transport Equation

- Transport equation:  $\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}(\varrho u) = 0$ ,  $\varrho|_{t=0} = \varrho_0$ .
- Assume that  $u$  is incompressible, i.e.,  $\operatorname{div} u = 0$ .
- Diperna-Lions'89:
  - Let  $p, \tilde{p} \in [1, \infty]$ , and  $u \in L_t^1 W_x^{1, \tilde{p}}(\mathbb{T}^d)$ ,  $\operatorname{div} u = 0$ .
  - For any  $\varrho_0 \in L^p(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , there exists unique distributional solution  $\varrho \in L_t^\infty L_x^p(\mathbb{T}^d)$ , provided  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\tilde{p}} \leq 1$ .
- What happens if

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\tilde{p}} > 1, \quad (\text{or } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\tilde{p}} > 1 + \frac{1}{d}).$$

- **Non-uniqueness** results by Modena-Sattig-Szekelyhidi, Brue-Colombo-De Lellis.

# Deterministic Transport Equation

- **Result:**

- Let  $p, \tilde{p} \in [1, \infty)$ , and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\tilde{p}} > 1 + \frac{1}{d}$ .
- Given any smooth, mean-zero  $\bar{\varrho}$ , and a smooth divergence free  $\bar{u}$ : consider the set

$$E = \{t \in [0, T] : \partial_t \bar{\varrho} + \operatorname{div}(\bar{\varrho} \bar{u}) = 0\}.$$

Then there exists  $\varrho \in C_t^0 L_x^p$ , and  $u \in C_t^0 L_x^{p'} \cap C_t^0 W_x^{1, \tilde{p}}$  s.t

- $\partial_t \varrho + \operatorname{div}(\varrho u) = 0, \operatorname{div} u = 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'$ .
- $\varrho(t) = \bar{\varrho}(t)$ , and  $u(t) = \bar{u}(t)$  for all  $t \in E$ .

- **Non-uniqueness:**

- Pick a smooth, mean-zero function  $a$ , and

$$\bar{u} \equiv 0, \quad \bar{\varrho}(t, x) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \in [0, T/3] \\ a(x), & t \in [2T/3, T]. \end{cases}$$

- Note that  $(\bar{\varrho}, \bar{u})$  is a solution on  $[0, T/3] \cup [2T/3, T] \subset E$ .
- Existence of a solution s.t.  $\varrho(0) = 0$ , and  $\varrho(T) = a$ .

# Stochastic Transport-Diffusion Equation

- Stochastic transport equation:

$$d\rho(t, x) + \operatorname{div}(u(t, x)\rho(t, x)) dt = \Delta\rho dt + G(\rho)dB(t), \quad \nabla \cdot u = 0, \\ \rho(0, x) = \rho^{\text{in}}(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{T}^d$$

- Three different types of noise:

1. **additive noise**; i.e.,  $G(\rho)dB = dB$  where  $B$  is a certain  $GG^*$ -Wiener process;
2. **linear multiplicative noise** in Itô's interpretation; i.e.,  $G(\rho)dB = \rho dB$  where  $B$  is a  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued Wiener process;
3. **transport noise** in Stratonovich's interpretation; i.e.,  
 $G(\rho)dB = -\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \rho \circ dB_i$  where  $B = (B_1, \dots, B_d)$  is a Brownian motion.

- Challenges:

- Stochastic perturbation may provide a regularizing effect on problems.
- Whether the noise makes the critical exponent of uniqueness different.
- Establish **probabilistically strong** solutions.

## Typical Result: Additive noise

- Suppose that  $d \geq 3$ ,  $B$  is a  $GG^*$ -Wiener process, and

$$\text{Tr}((-\Delta)^{\frac{d}{2}+2\varsigma} GG^*) < \infty \text{ for some } \varsigma > 0.$$

- Given  $T > 0$ ,  $K > 1$ , and  $\kappa \in (0, 1)$ , there exists a  $\mathbb{P}$ -a.s. strictly positive stopping time  $T_L$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}(\{T_L \geq T\}) > \kappa$$

- There exist an  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ -adapted process  $u$  that is divergence-free such that

$$u \in L^\infty(\Omega; C([0, T_L]; L^{p'}(\mathbb{T}^d))) \cap L^\infty(\Omega; C([0, T_L]; W^{1, \tilde{p}}(\mathbb{T}^d))),$$

an  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ -adapted process

$$\rho \in L^\infty(\Omega; C([0, T_L]; L^p(\mathbb{T}^d))),$$

and  $\rho^{\text{in}} \in L^p(\mathbb{T}^d)$  that is deterministic such that  $\rho$  solves the underlying equation.

# Proposition

- **Iteration Scheme:** For all  $\delta > 0$ , for all  $(\rho_0, u_0, R_0)$  smooth such that

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho_0 + \operatorname{div}(\rho_0 u_0) &= -\operatorname{div} R_0 \\ \operatorname{div} u_0 &= 0,\end{aligned}$$

there exists  $(\rho_1, u_1, R_1)$  smooth solves

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \rho_1 + \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 u_1) &= -\operatorname{div} R_1 \\ \operatorname{div} u_1 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

- Additionally, for all  $t \in [0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned}\|\rho_1(t) - \rho_0(t)\|_p &\leq M \|R_0(t)\|_1^{1/p}, \\ \|u_1(t) - u_0(t)\|_{p'} &\leq M \|R_0(t)\|_1^{1/p}, \\ \|u_1(t) - u_0(t)\|_{W^{1,\bar{p}}} &\leq \delta, \\ \|R_1(t)\|_1 &\leq \delta.\end{aligned}$$

- Moreover, if  $R_0(t, \cdot) \equiv 0$  for some  $t \in [0, T]$ , then  $R_1(t, \cdot) \equiv 0$  and  $(\rho_1, u_1)(t) \equiv (\rho_0, u_0)(t)$ .
- Idea: use highly **oscillatory perturbation** to reach  $\rho_1$  from  $\rho_0$ .

# Sketch of the proof

- Add perturbation:

$$\rho_1 = \rho_0 + \theta + \theta_c, \quad u_1 = u_0 + w + w_c$$

Here  $\theta_c$  is the mean value corrector, and  $w_c$  is the divergence free corrector.

- Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho_1 + \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 u_1) &= \underbrace{-\operatorname{div}(\theta w - R_0)}_{R^{quad}} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\operatorname{div}(\rho_0 w + \theta u_0) + \partial_t \theta}_{R^{lin}} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\text{terms containing } \theta_c, w_c}_{R^{corr}} := -\operatorname{div} R_1. \end{aligned}$$

- Ansatz: Note that  $R_0(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^d R_{0,j}(t, x) e_j$

$$\theta(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^d \operatorname{sign}(R_{0,j}) |R_{0,j}|^{1/p} \Theta^j(\lambda x)$$

$$w(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^d |R_{0,j}|^{1/p'} W^j(\lambda x)$$

# Sketch of the proof

- Here  $\Theta^j : \mathbb{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $W^j : \mathbb{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  are smooth fixed profiles such that
  - $\operatorname{div}(\Theta^j W^j) = 0$ , and  $\operatorname{div} W^j = 0$
  - $\int \Theta^j(x) dx = \int W^j(x) dx = 0$ ,  $\int \Theta^j(x) W^j(x) dx = e_j$ .
  - For  $i \neq j$ ,  $\operatorname{Supp} \Theta^i \cap \operatorname{Supp} W^j = \emptyset$ .
- In literature usually people use Beltrami or Mikado flows.
- Construction of Mikado flow:
  - Choose  $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{d-1})$  with  $\operatorname{Supp}(\varphi) \subset (0, 1)^{d-1}$ ,  $\int \varphi = 0$ , and  $\int \varphi^2 = 1$ . Periodise and still call it  $\varphi$ .
  - Define

$$\Theta^d(x) := \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1})$$

$$W^d(x) := \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1}) e_d$$



# Errors

- First compute:

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div}(\theta w - R_0) &= \operatorname{div} \left( \sum_{j=1}^d R_{0,j} (\Theta^j(\lambda x) W^j(\lambda x) - e_j) \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^d \underbrace{\nabla R_{0,j}}_{\text{Slow amplitude}} \cdot \underbrace{(\Theta^j(\lambda x) W^j(\lambda x) - e_j)}_{\text{Fast oscillating with zero mean value}} \\ &:= \operatorname{div}(R^{\text{quad}})\end{aligned}$$

- A suitable inverse divergence operator gives  $\|R^{\text{quad}}\|_1 \approx \mathcal{O}(1/\lambda)$ .
- Sobolev Estimates:

$$\nabla w = \lambda \sum_{j=1}^d |R_{0,j}|^{1/p'} \nabla W^j(\lambda x) + \text{"another lower order term"}$$

- **Intermittency** and difference with Onsager conjecture.
- Observation: Let  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $\operatorname{Supp}(\psi) \subset (0, 1)^d$ . Define  $\psi_\mu(x) = \psi(\mu x)$ . Then

$$\|\mu^a \psi_\mu\|_r = \mu^{a-d/r} \|\psi\|_r, \quad \|\mu^a \nabla^k \psi_\mu\|_r = \mu^{a+k-d/r} \|\psi\|_r$$

- **Change the ansatz:** We shall fix  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$\Theta_\mu^d(x) := \mu^a \varphi_\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1})$$

$$W_\mu^d(x) := \mu^b \varphi_\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1}) e_d$$

# Errors

- It turns out that  $a = (d - 1)/p$  and  $b = (d - 1)/p'$
- It is easy to see that

$$\|\Theta_{\mu}^j(x)\|_p = \mu^{a - \frac{d-1}{p}}, \quad \|W_{\mu}^j(x)\|_{p'} = \mu^{b - \frac{d-1}{p'}}$$

- Then we can estimate

$$\begin{aligned}\|\nabla w\|_{\tilde{p}} &\leq C(R_0)\lambda\|\nabla W_{\mu}^j\|_{\tilde{p}} \\ &\lesssim \lambda\mu^{\frac{d-1}{p'} - \frac{d-1}{\tilde{p}} + 1} \approx \lambda\mu^{-\gamma}, \text{ for some } \gamma > 0.\end{aligned}$$

- Here we first assume that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{\tilde{p}} > 1 + \frac{1}{d-1}$ .
- Note that if  $\frac{d-1}{p'} - \frac{d-1}{\tilde{p}} + 1 < 0$ , then  $\mu$  can kill  $\lambda$ . This is where we need the assumption on  $p$  and  $\tilde{p}$ .
- It is not difficult to verify that other error terms +  $L^p$ -type estimates can be controlled by the above choice of building blocks.

# General Case

- How to deal with the case  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} > 1 + \frac{1}{d}$ ? We need to change Mikado construction.
- Naive choice  $\rightsquigarrow$  **Not divergence free!**

$$\Theta_\mu^d(x) := \mu^{d/p} \varphi_\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1}, x_d)$$

$$W_\mu^d(x) := \mu^{d/p'} \varphi_\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{d-1}, x_d) e_d$$

- Add another **highly oscillatory term**: Fix  $\psi^d : \mathbb{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\partial_d \psi^d = 0$ ,  $\int \psi = 0$ , and  $\int \psi^2 = 1$ .

$$\theta^d(x) := \mu^{d/p} \varphi_\mu(\lambda x) \psi^d(\gamma x)$$

$$w^d(x) := \mu^{d/p'} \varphi_\mu(\lambda x) \psi^d(\gamma x) e_d$$

- We need  $\lambda \mu \ll \gamma$ .
- Calculate

$$\operatorname{div} w^d = \lambda \mu^{d/p'} (\partial_d \varphi_\mu)(\lambda x) e_d \underbrace{\psi^d(\gamma x)}_{\text{fast oscillatory with zero mean}}$$

- Then define the divergence corrector

$$w^c = \operatorname{div}^{-1}(\operatorname{div} w)$$

# General Case

- Estimate for the divergence corrector (Note that  $\operatorname{div}^{-1}(fg_\lambda) \approx \frac{1}{\gamma} fg$ )

$$\|w^c\|_r \approx \lambda \mu^{d/p'} \frac{1}{\gamma} \mu^{1-d/r} \approx \frac{\lambda \mu}{\gamma} \|w\|_r$$

- Main problem:  $\Theta W = \mu^d \varphi_\mu^2(\lambda x) (\psi^d)^2(\gamma x) e_d$  is **not divergence free!**
- Note that  $(\psi^d)^2(\gamma x)$  has non-zero mean and we can't play the usual anti-divergence corrector trick!
- Idea: **Allow error to move in time** and cancel it with time derivative  $\rightsquigarrow$  change Mikado density  $\rightsquigarrow$  introduce phase speed  $\omega$ :

$$\Theta_\mu^j(x) := \mu^{d/p} \varphi_\mu(\lambda(x - t\omega e_j)) \psi^j(\gamma x)$$

$$W_\mu^j(x) := \mu^{d/p'} \varphi_\mu(\lambda(x - t\omega e_j)) \psi^j(\gamma x) e_j$$

- Observe that  $\partial_t Q^j + \operatorname{div}(\Theta^j W^j) = 0$ , with  $Q^j := \frac{\mu^d}{\omega} \varphi_\mu^2(\lambda(x - t\omega e_j)) (\psi^j)^2(\gamma x)$ .

# Final Building Block

- New Mikado density:  $\Theta^j(x, t) + Q^j(x, t)$ , and velocity  $W^j(x, t)$ .
- In this case

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_t(\Theta + Q) + \operatorname{div}((\Theta + Q)W) \\ &= \partial_t\Theta + \underbrace{\partial_t Q + \operatorname{div}(\Theta W)}_{=0} + \operatorname{div}(\Theta Q) \\ &= \operatorname{div}(\operatorname{div}^{-1}(\partial_t\Theta + \operatorname{div}(\Theta Q))) \end{aligned}$$

- We can estimate:

$$\|\operatorname{div}^{-1}(\partial_t\Theta)\|_1 \approx \frac{\lambda\omega}{\gamma} \mu^{1-d+d/p}$$

- Application in NSE:  $p = p' = 2$

$$\Delta w = \operatorname{div}(\nabla w)$$

- Run the above construction with  $p = 2$  and  $\tilde{p} = 1 \rightsquigarrow 1/2 + 1 > 1 + 1/d$ , i.e.,  $d \geq 3$ .

# Stochastic Transport-Diffusion

- Additive noise:

- Consider the heat equation forced by the same noise

$$dz(t, x) = \Delta z(t, x)dt + dB(t, x), \quad z(0, x) \equiv 0$$

- Consider the random PDE solved by  $\theta(t, x) := \rho(t, x) - z(t, x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \theta(t, x) + \operatorname{div}(u(t, x)\theta(t, x)) &= \Delta \theta(t, x) - \operatorname{div}(u(t, x)z(t, x)), \\ \nabla \cdot u &= 0, \theta(0, x) = \rho^{\text{in}}(x). \end{aligned}$$

- Linear multiplicative noise:

- Consider random PDE solved by  $\theta(t, x) := \rho(t, x)e^{-B(t)}$

$$\partial_t \theta(t, x) + \operatorname{div}(u(t, x)\theta(t, x)) + \frac{1}{2}\theta(t, x) = \Delta \theta(t, x), \quad \nabla \cdot u = 0, \theta(0, x) = \rho^{\text{in}}(x).$$

- Transport noise:

- Consider random PDE solved by  $\theta(t, x) := \rho(t, x + B(t))$

$$\partial_t \theta(t, x) + \operatorname{div}(u(t, x + B(t))\theta(t, x)) = \Delta \theta(t, x), \quad \nabla \cdot u = 0, \theta(0, x) = \rho^{\text{in}}(x).$$

# Main Features

- Idea is to produce infinitely many solutions that break the energy inequality.
  - Change the iteration scheme:  $M_0(t) \triangleq L^4 e^{4Lt}$

$$\|(\theta_1 - \theta_0)(t)\|_{L_x^p} \leq M(\delta M_0(t))^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

$$\|(u_1 - u_0)(t)\|_{W_x^{1,\bar{p}}} \leq \delta M_0(t),$$

$$\|R_1(t)\|_{L_x^1} \leq \delta M_0(t).$$

- Need to work with  $R_l(t, x) = (R_0 *_x \phi_l *_t \varphi_l)(t, x) = \sum_{j=1}^d R_l^j(t, x) e_j$ .
  - Need to iterate also  $R_0 \in C_t^0 C_x^1 \cap C_t^{\frac{1}{2}-2\varpi} C_x^0$ .
- Need to introduce a stopping time  $T_L$  to control the noise terms in the iteration.

- For all  $t \in [0, T_L]$ ,

$$\|z(t)\|_{L_x^\infty} \leq L^{\frac{1}{4}}, \quad \|z(t)\|_{W_x^{1,\infty}} \leq L^{\frac{1}{4}}, \quad \|z\|_{C_t^{\frac{1}{2}-2\varpi} L_x^\infty} \leq L^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

- Add a convex integration solution to a weak solution to produce solutions on the entire time interval.
  - To extend this convex integration solution to the interval  $[0, T]$ , we can glue an appropriate weak solution of stochastic transport to this convex integration solution.

Thank you!