

Stochasticity in Deterministic Systems

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Dynamical Systems and Probability Theory

Dynamical Systems

Time series

$$v, v \circ f, v \circ f^2, \dots$$

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Ergodic theorem

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} v \circ f^j \sim W(n)$$

Probability Theory

Sequence of random variables

$$X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots$$

IID (independent & identically distributed)

Weakly dependent

SLLN (Strong law of large numbers)

CLT (Central limit theorem)

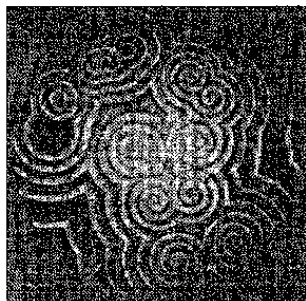
$$X_1 + \dots + X_n \sim W(n)$$

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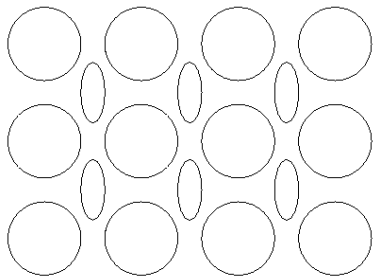
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Deterministic Brownian Motion – Two Examples

Hypermeander of spiral waves
in excitable media



Finite horizon planar periodic
Lorentz gas



Deterministic Systems that Behave Stochastically

- Hypermeandering spiral waves
- Lorentz gases
- Lorenz attractor
- Hénon attractor
- Logistic family
- Smale horseshoe, solenoid
- Pomeau-Manneville intermittency maps

Classes of Dynamical Systems

- **Axiom A:** Uniformly expanding maps
uniformly hyperbolic systems
- **Nonuniformly** expanding/hyperbolic systems
in sense of Young
- **Singularly** hyperbolic flows
- **Partially** hyperbolic systems

Excitable Media – PDE models

Oregonator

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} [u - u^2 - fv(u - q)/(u + q)] + D_1 \Delta u \\ \frac{dv}{dt} &= u - v + D_2 \Delta v\end{aligned}$$

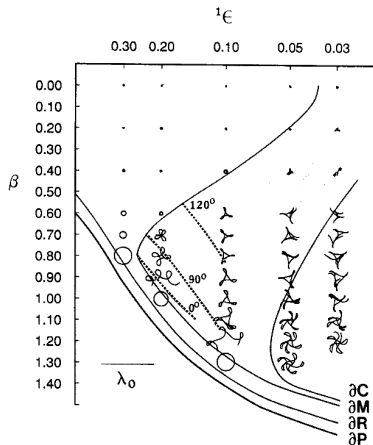
FitzHugh-Nagumo (FHN)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} [u - \frac{1}{3}u^3 - v] + D \Delta u \\ \frac{dv}{dt} &= \epsilon [u + \beta - \gamma v] + \delta D \Delta v\end{aligned}$$

Barkley

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{du}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} u(1 - u)(u - \frac{1}{a}(v + b)) + \Delta u \\ \frac{dv}{dt} &= u - v + \delta \Delta v\end{aligned}$$

Transitions in the FHN equation



Winfree (1991)

Zykov (1986)

- ∂M : transition from rigidly rotating spirals to meandering spirals
- ∂C : transition from meandering spirals to "complex" states (hypermeander)

Meander Explained

- **Meander transition** is a Hopf bifurcation
Barkley, Kness & Tuckerman (1990), Karma (1990)
Experimental verification: Skinner & Swinney (1991)
Animation: Barkley **EZspiral**
- Barkley (*PRL* 1994) explained resonance phenomena
Euclidean symmetry plays fundamental role
Experimental verification: Li, Ouyang, Petrov & Swinney
(*PRL* 1996)
Rigorous treatment: Wulff 1996, Sandstede, Scheel & Wulff (1997)

Hypermeander in the FHN equation



Winfree (1991)

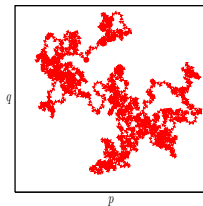
Rössler & Kahlert (1979)

Hypermeander Explained?

- Biktashev & Holden (1998). **Deterministic Brownian motion in the hypermeander of spiral waves**

Chaotic dynamics + translation symmetry \implies Brownian motion

- **Rigorous treatment:**
Ashwin, Field, M,
Nicol, Török, ...

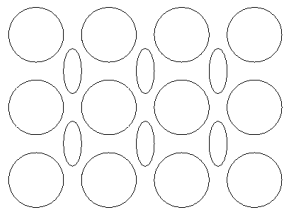


- Chaotic dynamics + rotation symmetry + translation symmetry \implies not best example to start with!

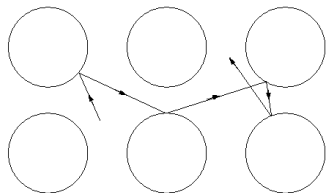
Finite Horizon Planar Periodic Lorentz Gas

- **Lorentz 1905**. Deterministic model for Brownian motion
- **Chernov & Dolgopyat 2006**. Open problem at Madrid ICM
- **M & Nicol 2009**. Solution in *Annals of Probability*
- Chaotic dynamics + translation symmetry \implies Brownian motion

Finite and Infinite Horizon



Finite horizon



Infinite horizon

Animation: Sinai billiard Stephan Matthiesen (2006)

Lorentz Gas

- **Periodic scatterers** $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$
- **3-dimensional phase space** $M = (\mathbb{R}^2 - \Omega) \times S^1$
Two-dimensional position $p \in \mathbb{R}^2 - \Omega$, unit velocity $v \in S^1$
- **Volume preserving flow** $t \mapsto (p(t), v(t))$
- **Ergodicity** studied by Sinai (1972)

Growth of Position Variable

- **Sublinear growth** $\frac{1}{t}p(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
for almost every initial condition $p(0), v(0)$
- This is the **Strong Law of Large Numbers / Ergodic Theorem**
- View velocity $v : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ as an **observable**
- $p(t) = \int_0^t v(s) ds$
- **Time average** $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t v(s) ds = \frac{1}{t}p(t)$
- **Space average** $\int_M v = 0$

Theorem (M & Nicol, 2009)

$$p(t) = W(t) + O(t^{\frac{7}{15} + \epsilon}) \text{ almost surely}$$

$W(t)$ two-dimensional Brownian motion with covariance Σ
 $\epsilon > 0$ arbitrarily small

Probability Theory

- X_1, X_2, \dots sequence of i.i.d. random variables with $EX_1 = 0, EX_1^2 = \sigma^2$
- **SLLN** $\frac{1}{n}(X_1 + \dots + X_n) \rightarrow 0$ almost surely
- **CLT** $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(X_1 + \dots + X_n) \rightarrow_d N(0, \sigma^2)$
 $P\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(X_1 + \dots + X_n) < c\right) \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^c \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} dy$

Deterministic Dynamical System

- $f : M \rightarrow M$ map with ergodic probability measure μ
 $v : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ integrable, $\int_M v d\mu = 0$
 $v, v \circ f, v \circ f^2, \dots$ are identically distributed but **dependent**
- **SLLN=ergodic theorem** $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n v \circ f^j \rightarrow 0$ almost surely
- $\int_M v^2 d\mu < \infty$ does not imply CLT without extra assumptions

Axiom A Systems

- Uniformly expanding maps

Example (Doubling map)

$$f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1], \quad f(x) = 2x \bmod 1$$

- Uniformly hyperbolic (Axiom A) maps

Example (cat map)

$$f : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]^2, \quad \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \bmod 1$$

Eg. Smale horseshoe

- Uniformly hyperbolic (Axiom A) flows Eg. Solenoid

Central Limit Theorem for Axiom A Maps

$f : M \rightarrow M$ uniformly expanding/hyperbolic map
 $v : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Hölder continuous, $\int_M v d\mu = 0$

Theorem (Sinai, Ruelle, Bowen, Ratner)

$\sigma^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_M (\sum_{j=1}^n v \circ f^j)^2 d\mu$ exists

and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1}^n v \circ f^j \rightarrow_d N(0, \sigma^2)$

Central Limit Theorem for Axiom A Flows

$f_t : M \rightarrow M$ Axiom A flow

$v : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Hölder continuous, $\int_M v d\mu = 0$

Theorem (Ratner 1973)

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \int_0^t v \circ f_s ds \rightarrow_d N(0, \sigma^2)$ for some σ^2

Convergence to Brownian motion

Almost sure invariance principle (ASIP)

- **Probability theory**, Strassen (1964)

$X_1 + \dots + X_n = W(n) + O(n^{\frac{1}{2}-\lambda})$ almost surely

$W(t)$ Brownian motion with variance σ^2 $\lambda > 0$

ASIP $\implies \dots \implies$ CLT and LIL

- **Axiom A maps/flows**, Hofbauer & Keller (1982), Denker & Philipp (1984)

$\sum_{j=1}^n v \circ f^j = W(n) + O(n^{\frac{1}{2}-\lambda})$ almost surely

$\int_0^t v \circ f_s ds = W(t) + O(t^{\frac{1}{2}-\lambda})$ almost surely

Higher-Dimensional Almost Sure Invariance Principle

- **Probability theory**, Berkes & Philipp (1979)

$X_1 + \dots + X_n = W(n) + O(n^{\frac{1}{2}-\lambda})$ almost surely
 $W(t)$ d -dimensional Brownian motion with covariance Σ

- **Axiom A maps/flows**, M & Nicol (2009)

$v : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ Hölder, $\int_M v = 0$

$\sum_{j=1}^n v \circ f^j = W(n) + O(n^{\frac{2d+3}{4d+7}+\epsilon})$ almost surely

$\int_0^t v \circ f_s ds = W(t) + O(t^{\frac{2d+3}{4d+7}+\epsilon})$ almost surely

For $d = 1$ error term is $O(n^{\frac{1}{4}+\epsilon})$. Field, M & Török (2003)

Lorentz Gas Revisited

Two-dimensional position $p(t)$

Theorem (Bunimovich, Sinai & Chernov 1980s)

- 1 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}p(t) \rightarrow_d N(0, \Sigma)$
- 2 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}p(nt) \rightarrow W(t)$ weakly in $C([0, 1], \mathbb{R}^2)$

- Σ 2×2 covariance matrix
- $N(0, \Sigma)$ two-dimensional normal distribution
- $W(t)$ Brownian motion with covariance Σ

Part (2): **Functional CLT** or **Weak invariance principle**

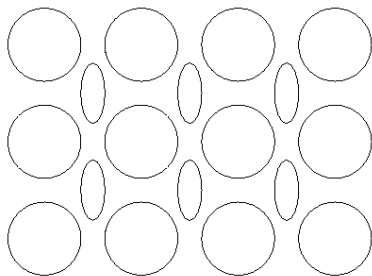
- ASIP \implies FCLT/WIP \implies CLT
- ASIP \implies FLIL \implies LIL and much more

Decay of Correlations in Billiard Map

Recall $M = (\mathbb{R}^2 - \Omega) \times S^1$

2-dimensional cross-section $X = \partial\Omega \times [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$

Poincaré map $f : X \rightarrow X$ called **billiard map** or **collision map**



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Theorem (Bunimovich, Sinai & Chernov 1980s)

$v, w : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Hölder observables

$$|\int_X v \circ f^n w - \int_X v \int_X w| \leq C e^{-an^\gamma}$$

for constants $C \geq 1$, $a > 0$, $\gamma \in (0, 1]$

Question: $\gamma < 1$ or $\gamma = 1$?

Very controversial for 15-20 years. Numerics suggested $\gamma < 1$

Nonuniform Hyperbolicity

L-S Young (*Annals of Math* 1998) introduced a class of nonuniformly hyperbolic systems modelled by **Young towers**.

Includes

- **Lorentz gas**
- **Hénon attractor** Benedicks & Young (2000)
- **Unimodal/multimodal maps**

Theorem (Young 1998)

*Nonuniformly hyperbolic maps satisfy:
exponential decay of correlations ($\gamma = 1$) and CLT*

Theorem (M & Nicol 2009)

*d -dimensional ASIP holds for nonuniformly hyperbolic maps
and flows*

Singular Hyperbolicity

Example (Lorenz equations)

$$\dot{x} = 10(y - z)$$

$$\dot{y} = 28x - y - xz$$

$$\dot{z} = xy - \frac{8}{3}z$$

- Not uniform hyperbolic, equilibrium at $(0, 0, 0)$
- Singular hyperbolic (Morales, Pacifico)
- Tucker (1999, 2002) **The Lorenz attractor exists**
- Logarithmic singularity
- ASIP still holds, Holland & M (2007)

Partial Hyperbolicity

Example (Time one map)

$f = f_1$ where f_t is Axiom A or nonuniformly hyperbolic flow

Example (Compact group extension)

$(x, g) \rightarrow (fx, gh(x)), \quad (x, g) \in M \times G, \quad h: M \rightarrow G$

- ASIP not known for \mathbb{R}^d -valued observables, $d \geq 2$
- $d = 1$, ASIP not known unless there is rapid mixing
- Rapid mixing is typical, Dolgopyat 1998
- Rapid mixing is open and dense, Field, M & Török 2007

Theorem (M & Török 02, Field, M & Török 03)

Rapid mixing \implies ASIP for $d = 1$ and WIP for all d in these examples

Mixing for Flows

Definition

A flow $f_t : M \rightarrow M$ is **mixing** if

$$\mu(f_t(E) \cap F) \rightarrow \mu(E)\mu(F) \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

for all measurable $E, F \subset M$

The flow is **stably mixing** if all nearby flows are also mixing

Theorem (Bowen 1972, 1976)

- 1 *Axiom A flows are typically mixing. Suffices to have two periodic orbits with periods τ_1, τ_2 and τ_1/τ_2 irrational*
- 2 *Anosov flows on infranils (tori) are stably mixing*

Theorem (Field, M & Török *Annals of Math* 2007)

Axiom A flows are typically stably mixing

Decay of correlations

Definition

Correlation function $\rho(t) = \int_M v w \circ f_t - \int_M v \int_M w$

Mixing $\iff \rho(t) \rightarrow 0$ for all v, w with $\int v^2 < \infty, \int w^2 < \infty$

Definition

f_t is **rapid mixing** if $\rho(t) = O(1/t^q)$ for all sufficiently smooth v, w (q arbitrarily large). Also called **superpolynomial decay**

Theorem (Dolgopyat 1998)

Axiom A flows are typically rapid mixing. Suffices that there are two periods τ_1, τ_2 such that τ_1/τ_2 is diophantine

Theorem (Field, M & Török 2007)

*Axiom A flows are typically **stably** rapid mixing*

Rapid Mixing for Nonuniformly Hyperbolic Flows

Theorem (M 2007)

Nonuniformly hyperbolic flows (in sense of Young) are typically rapid mixing

- Lorentz gases (subsequently improved by Chernov (2008) to stretched exponential decay)
- Lorentz gases with external forcing
- Suspended Hénon attractors – flows with quadratic homoclinic tangencies

Also applies to compact group extensions, and implies WIP
Relevant for hypermeander

Mixing for Singular Hyperbolic Flows

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- Luzzatto, M & Paccaut (2005) **The Lorenz attractor is stably mixing**
- Geometric Lorenz attractors are typically stably rapid mixing, Holland & M

Exponential Decay

- Dolgopyat (*Annals of Maths* 1998), Liverani (*Annals of Maths* 2004) have results on **exponential mixing** for flows
- **Challenge:** Find a nontrivial flow that is stably exponentially mixing
- **Message:** Avoid assumptions on decay of correlations for flows whenever possible!

0-1 Test for Chaos

Gottwald & Melbourne (2004)

- Deterministic time series data $\phi(1), \phi(2), \dots$
- Choose $c \in (0, \pi)$
- Define $p(n) = \sum_{j=1}^n \phi(j) \cos jc$, $q(n) = \sum_{j=1}^n \phi(j) \sin jc$
- Define **mean square displacement**

$$M(n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (p(j+n) - p(j))^2$$

- Compute **growth rate** $K = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log M(n) / \log n$

Regular dynamics

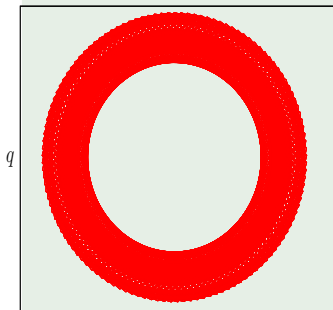
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Chaotic dynamics

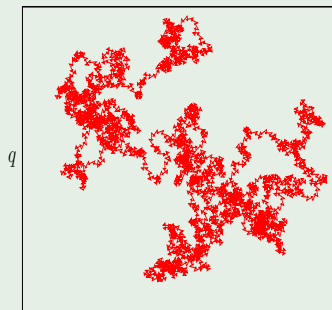
$$K=1$$

Regular Dynamics vs Chaotic Dynamics

Example (Logistic map $f(x) = \mu x(1 - x)$, 5000 iterates)



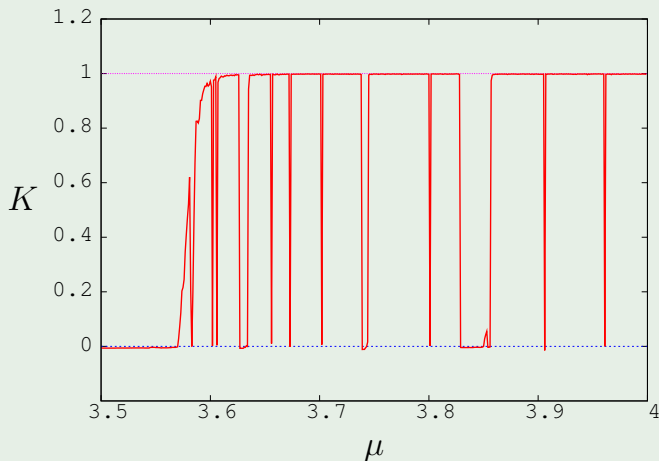
Regular dynamics at $\mu = 3.55$



Chaotic dynamics at $\mu = 3.90$

0-1 Test for Logistic Map

Example (Logistic map $f(x) = \mu x(1 - x)$, 2000 iterates)



Increments of 0.001 for μ

Convergence of Fast-Slow ODEs to SDEs

Melbourne & Stuart

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \epsilon^{-1} h_0(y) + f(x, y), & x(0) &= \xi \\ \dot{y} &= \epsilon^{-2} g(y), & y(0) &= \eta\end{aligned}$$

$x \in \mathbb{R}^d$: slow variables. $y \in \Lambda$: fast variables

y dynamics governed by chaotic attractor (Λ, μ)

- Assume $\int_{\Lambda} h_0 d\mu = 0$. Set $\int_{\Lambda} f(x, y) d\mu = F(x)$
- Consider stochastic differential equation

$$\dot{X} = \dot{W} + F(X), \quad X(0) = \xi$$

Question: When do solutions for \dot{x} converge to solutions for \dot{X} as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

Convergence to SDEs

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Do not assume decay of correlations!

Theorem (M & Stuart)

It is enough to prove weak invariance principle and large deviations for fast dynamics on Λ

Theorem (M & Nicol)

If Λ has a Poincaré map modelled by a Young tower, then Λ satisfies weak invariance principle and large deviations

For example, can take fast equations to be Lorenz equations

More Convergence to SDEs

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \epsilon^{-1} h_0(y) + f(x, y), & x(0) &= \xi \\ \dot{y} &= \epsilon^{-2} g(x, y), & y(0) &= \eta\end{aligned}$$

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Leads to questions about interpretation of stochastic integrals

Example

$$d = 1, \quad h_0(x, y) = h_1(x)h_2(y)$$

$$\dot{X} = h_1(X)\dot{W} + F(X), \quad X(0) = \xi$$

where $\int h_1 dW$ is Stratonovich

Open problems

- Exponential decay of correlations for (Axiom A) flows
- Decay of correlations for Lorenz attractor
- Good results on ASIP for partially hyperbolic systems
- At least, prove ASIP for equivariant observables of compact group extensions – hypermeander
- Robust counter-examples to 0-1 test?
- More complicated fast-slow systems, interpretation of stochastic integrals