

Nonlocal equations on co-evolving graphs



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Graph-continuity equation & long-time behaviour



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- ▶ Formation of biological networks (leaf venation networks, vascular and neural networks)

G. Albi, M. Burger, J. Haskovec, P. Markowich and M. Schlottbom, *Active Particles, Volume 1*, 2017.

- ▶ Gas transport on networks/metric graphs

M. Erbar, D. Forkert, J. Maas, D. Mugnolo, *Net. Heterog. Media*, 2022

A. Fazeney, M. Burger, J.-F. Pietschmann, *EJAM*, 2025

- ▶ Data Science/Machine Learning: data representation as point clouds for clustering and classification

M. Belkin, P. Niyogi, *Neural Comput.*, 2002

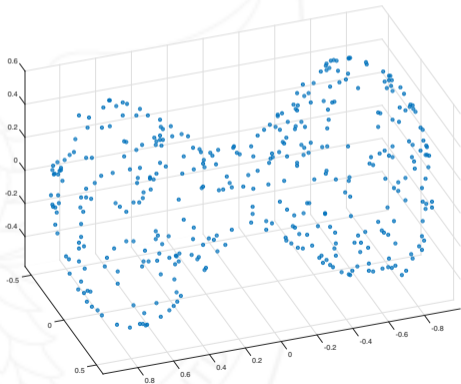
R. R. Coifman, S. Lafon, *Appl. Comput. Harmon. Anal.*, 2006

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Pros & cons (good for us!)

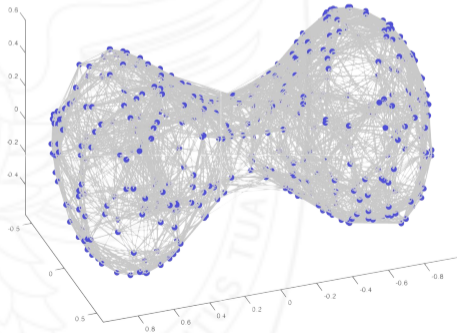
- ▶ Easy/compact setting for: data representation, heterogeneity (e.g. interactions), etc.
- ▶ Non-standard setting: complicated geometry and analysis.

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Dynamics on graphs: notation

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 \Rightarrow empirical measure $\mu^n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{x_i}$
- ▶ a **weight function** $\eta : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $D := (\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d) \setminus \{x = y\}$
 $\Rightarrow (\mu^n, \eta)$ defines an **discrete weighted graph**



Example: dynamics driven by interaction energies on graphs

$$\mathcal{E}_X(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in X} K_{x,y} \rho_x \rho_y \quad (1)$$

On \mathbb{R}^d :

$$\dot{x}_i = - \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_j \nabla_x K(x_i, x_j) \quad (2)$$

On finite graphs

$$\frac{d\rho_x}{dt} = - \sum_{y \in X} j_{x,y} \eta(x, y) \quad (3)$$

$$j_{x,y} = \phi(\rho_x, \rho_y) v_{x,y} \quad (4)$$

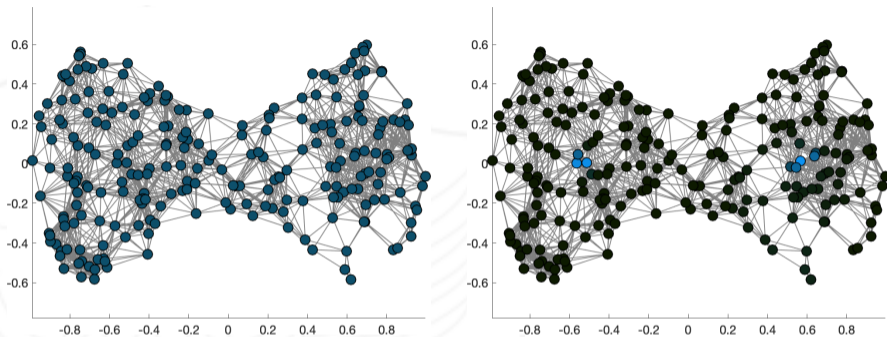
$$v_{x,y} = - \sum_{z \in X} \rho_z (K_{y,z} - K_{x,z}). \quad (5)$$

CHOICE IS NOT CANONICAL!

Goals

- ▶ Define “suitable” flows on graph $(\mu, \eta) \Rightarrow$ (co-)evolving if $\eta = \eta(t, \cdot)$
- ▶ Dynamics stable under **graph limit** $n \rightarrow \infty$ (discrete-to-continuum / many-vertices limit)
- ▶ Dynamics stable for **local limit**: $\mu = \text{Leb}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\eta^\varepsilon(x, y) = \varepsilon^{-d-2} \eta\left(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon}\right)$
 \Rightarrow limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ should give $\partial_t \rho = \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla K * \rho)$





General framework

- ▶ \mathbb{R}^d set of possible vertices, $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x = y\}$ set of possible edges
- ▶ $\eta : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x = y\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ weight function $\Rightarrow G := \{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x = y\} | \eta(x, y) \neq 0\}$ set of edges
- ▶ $\mu \in \mathcal{M}^+(\mathbb{R}^d)$ set of vertices
- ▶ $\rho \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ distribution of mass (or a measure $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}^d)$)



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Nonlocal continuity equation ($\rho_t \ll \mu$)

$$\partial_t \rho_t(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\rho_t(x) v_t(x, y)_+ - \rho_t(y) v_t(x, y)_-) \eta(x, y) d\mu(y) = 0 \quad (\text{NCE})$$

Nonlocal interaction equation on graphs: NL²IE

$$(\text{NCE}) \text{ with } v_t^\varepsilon := -\bar{\nabla} \frac{\delta \mathcal{E}}{\delta \rho} = -\bar{\nabla} K * \rho_t$$

A. E., F. S. Patacchini, A. Schlichting, D. Slepčev - ARMA (2021).



Gradient and divergence on a graph

Definition (Nonlocal gradient and divergence)

For any $\phi : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we define its nonlocal gradient $\bar{\nabla}\phi : \mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\bar{\nabla}\phi(x, y) = \phi(y) - \phi(x), \quad \text{for all } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d}.$$

For any Radon measure $\mathbf{j} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d})$, its nonlocal divergence $\bar{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{j} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is defined as the adjoint of $\bar{\nabla}$, i.e., for any $\phi : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ in $C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$, there holds

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi d\bar{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{j} &= -\frac{1}{2} \iint_{\mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d}} \bar{\nabla}\phi(x, y) d\mathbf{j}(x, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi(x) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} (d\mathbf{j}(x, y) - d\mathbf{j}(y, x)). \end{aligned}$$

In particular, for \mathbf{j} antisymmetric, that is, $\mathbf{j} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d})$ and $d\mathbf{j}(x, y) = -d\mathbf{j}(y, x)$, denoted $\mathbf{j} \in \mathcal{M}^{\text{as}}(\mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d})$, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi d\bar{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{j} = \iint_{\mathbb{R}_{\neq}^{2d}} \phi(x) d\mathbf{j}(x, y).$$



$$\partial_t \rho + \bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \eta; \rho_t, v_t] = 0 \quad (\text{NCE})$$

Definition (Admissible flux interpolation)

A measurable function $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called an **admissible flux interpolation** provided that the following conditions hold:

(i) Φ satisfies

$$\Phi(0, 0; v) = \Phi(a, b; 0) = 0, \quad \text{for all } a, b, v \in \mathbb{R}; \quad (1)$$

(ii) Φ is argument-wise **Lipschitz** in the sense that, for some $L_\Phi > 0$, any $a, b, c, d, v, w \in \mathbb{R}$, it holds

$$|\Phi(a, b; w) - \Phi(a, b; v)| \leq L_\Phi(|a| + |b|)|w - v|; \quad (2a)$$

$$|\Phi(a, b; v) - \Phi(c, d; v)| \leq L_\Phi(|a - c| + |b - d|)|v|; \quad (2b)$$

(iii) Φ is **positively one-homogeneous** in its first and second argument, that is, for all $\alpha > 0$ and $(a, b, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3$, it holds

$$\Phi(\alpha a, \alpha b; w) = \alpha \Phi(a, b; w).$$



- ▶ **Upwind interpolation.** One important case is given by the **upwind** interpolation Φ_{upwind} defined as

$$\Phi_{\text{upwind}}(a, b; w) = aw_+ - bw_- \quad \text{for } (a, b, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3. \quad (3)$$

- ▶ **Mean multipliers.** Another case is **product** interpolation Φ_{prod} , which is of the form

$$\Phi_{\text{prod}}(a, b; w) = \phi(a, b)w \quad \text{for } (a, b, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3,$$

with $\phi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ any measurable function satisfying, for some $L_\phi > 0$,

$$|\phi(a, b)| \leq L_\phi \max\{|a|, |b|\},$$

$$|\phi(a, b) - \phi(c, d)| \leq L_\phi(|a - c| + |b - d|),$$

$$\phi(\alpha a, \alpha b) = \alpha \phi(a, b),$$

$$\phi(a, b) = \phi(b, a),$$

for all $\alpha \geq 0$ and $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$. Common choices for ϕ are as below:

- ▶ *Arithmetic mean.* $\phi_{\text{AM}}(a, b) := \frac{a+b}{2}$;
- ▶ *Maximal mean.* $\phi_{\text{max}}(a, b) := \max\{a, b\}$.



Definition (Admissible flux)

Let Φ be an admissible flux interpolation, $\rho \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $w \in \mathcal{V}^{\text{as}}(G) := \{v: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v(x, y) = -v(y, x)\}$. Furthermore, take $\lambda \in \mathcal{M}^+(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ such that $\rho \otimes \mu, \mu \otimes \rho \ll \lambda$ (e.g., $\lambda = |\rho| \otimes \mu + \mu \otimes |\rho|$). Then, the **admissible flux** $F^\Phi[\mu; \rho, w] \in \mathcal{M}(G)$ at (ρ, w) is defined by

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Definition (Measure-valued solution to the NCL)

Given Φ and a measurable $V : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{\text{as}}(G)$, a curve $\rho : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is a **measure-valued solution** to the NCL, denoted as

$$\partial_t \rho + \bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \eta; \rho, V_t(\rho)] = 0, \quad (\text{NCL})$$

provided that, for any $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, it holds that

- (i) $\rho \in \mathcal{AC}_t$;
- (ii) $t \mapsto \bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu; \rho_t, V_t(\rho_t)][A] \in L^1([0, T])$;
- (iii) ρ satisfies

$$\rho_t[A] + \int_0^t \bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu; \rho_s, V_s(\rho_s)][A] ds = \rho_0[A] \quad \text{for a.e. } t \in [0, T]. \quad (5)$$

Theorem (A. E., F. S. Patacchini, A. Schlichting, EJAM '23)

Let $V : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{\text{as}}(G)$ and $\exists C_V, L_V > 0$ so that, for all $t \in [0, T]$ and all $\rho, \sigma \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} |V_t[\rho](x, y)| \eta(x, y) d\mu(y) \leq C_V,$$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} |V_t[\rho](x, y) - V_t[\sigma](x, y)| \eta(x, y) d\mu(y) \leq L_V \|\rho - \sigma\|_{TV}.$$

Then, there exists a unique measure solution ρ to (NCL) such that $\rho_0 = \rho^0$.

1. *Proof via Banach Fixed-Point Theorem*
2. $\Phi \equiv \Phi_{\text{upwind}}$: GF approach for NL²IE by generalised Wasserstein distance
 \Rightarrow Finsler GF



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(Co-NCL)

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Definition (Solution to (Co-NCL))

Given $\Phi, V : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{as}(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$, and $\omega : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, a pair $(\rho, \eta) : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d) \times C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ is a solution to the initial value problem (Co-NCL) if, for any $\varphi \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

1. $\rho \in AC([0, T], \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $\eta \in AC([0, T], C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d}))$;
2. the maps $t \mapsto \langle \varphi, \bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \eta_t; \rho_t, V_t[\rho_t]] \rangle$ and $t \mapsto \omega[\rho_t] - \eta_t \in L^1([0, T])$;
3. for a.e. $t \in [0, T]$, every $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2d}$, for any $\varphi \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$, it holds

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \varphi d\rho_t = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \varphi d\rho_0 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \iint_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} \bar{\nabla} \varphi dF^\Phi[\mu, \eta_s, \rho_s; V_s[\rho_s]] ds \quad (6)$$

$$\eta_t(x, y) = \eta_0(x, y) + \int_0^t (\omega[\rho_s](s, x, y) - \eta_s(x, y)) ds. \quad (7)$$

A.E., L. Mikolás, *On evolution PDEs on co-evolving graphs*, DCDS '24.



Graph slower: $\tau = \varepsilon t$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_t = -\bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \eta_t; \rho_t, V_t[\rho_t]] \\ \partial_t \eta_t = \varepsilon(\omega[\rho_t] - \eta_t) \\ \rho_0 \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d), \eta_0 \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d}), \end{cases} \quad (\text{Co-NCL}_S)$$

Graph faster: $\tau = t/\varepsilon$

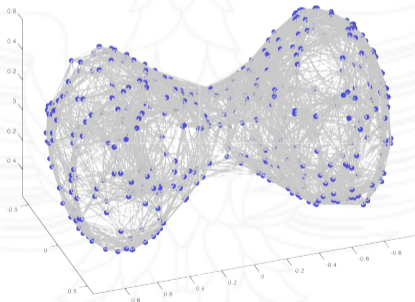
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_t = -\bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \eta_t; \rho_t, V_t[\rho_t]] \\ \varepsilon \partial_t \eta_t(x, y) = -\eta_t(x, y) + \omega[\rho](t, x, y), \end{cases} \quad (\text{Co-NCL}_F)$$

⇒

$$\partial_t \rho_t = -\bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu, \omega[\rho_t]; \rho_t, V_t[\rho_t]].$$

Finte graph

$$\mu^n = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i^n \delta_{x_i}, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad m_i^n \in (0, \infty), \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (8)$$



$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_t^n = -\bar{\nabla} \cdot F^\Phi[\mu^n, \eta_t^n; \rho_t^n, V_t[\rho_t^n]], \\ \partial_t \eta_t^n(x, y) = \omega_t[\rho^n](x, y) - \eta_t^n(x, y), \\ \rho_0 \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d), \quad \eta_0 \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d}). \end{cases} \quad (\text{Co-NCL}_n)$$

Theorem

Fix $\Phi \equiv \Phi_{\text{upwind}}$ and consider a sequence $\{\mu_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}^+(\mathbb{R}^d)$ such that $\mu^n \xrightarrow{*} \mu \in \mathcal{M}_{TV}^+(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Let $V : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{as}(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ and $\omega : [0, T] \times \mathcal{M}_{TV}^M(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy suitable assumptions, uniformly in n . Assume $((x, y) \mapsto V[\cdot](\cdot, x, y)) \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ and $((x, y) \mapsto \omega_t[\cdot](\cdot, x, y)) \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$. Let us consider a sequence of solutions $\{(\rho^n, \eta^n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ to (Co-NCL_n) associated to $\{\mu_n\}$ and let (ρ, η) be the solution to (Co-NCL) depending on μ . If $\|\rho_0^n - \rho^0\|_{TV} \rightarrow 0$ and $\|\eta_0^n - \eta_0\|_{\infty} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_{\infty}((\rho^n, \eta^n), (\rho, \eta)) = 0.$$

$$d_{\infty}((\rho^1, \eta^1), (\rho^2, \eta^2)) := \|\rho^1 - \rho^2\|_{\infty, \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d)} + \|\eta^1 - \eta^2\|_{\infty, C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d})},$$

where

$$\|\rho^1 - \rho^2\|_{\infty, \mathcal{M}_{TV}(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\rho_t^1 - \rho_t^2\|_{TV} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\eta^1 - \eta^2\|_{\infty, C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d})} = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \|\eta_t^1 - \eta_t^2\|_{\infty}.$$



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Euler equation for (Co-NCL)

Assume $\mu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is the “set of vertices” $\Rightarrow \rho \ll \mu$, that is $\rho_t := r_t d\mu$

$$\partial_t r_t(x) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} \Phi(r_t(x), r_t(y); V_t[r](x, y)) \eta_t(x, y) d\mu(y)$$

(Euler Co-NCL)

$$\partial_t \eta_t = \omega_t[r] - \eta_t,$$

Definition (Solution to (Euler Co-NCL))

Let $p = 2, \infty$, Φ jointly antisym., $V : [0, T] \times L_\mu^p(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{as}(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$, and $\omega : [0, T] \times L_\mu^p(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. A pair $(r, \eta) : [0, T] \rightarrow L_\mu^p(\mathbb{R}^d) \times C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ is a sol to (Euler Co-NCL) w/ $(r_0, \eta_0) \in L_\mu^p(\mathbb{R}^d) \times C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ if:

1. $t \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} \Phi(r_t(x), r_t(y); V_t[r](x, y)) \eta_t(x, y) d\mu(y)$ and $t \mapsto \omega_t[\rho_t] - \eta_t$ belong to $L^1([0, T])$;
2. for μ -a.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $t \in [0, T]$, $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{2d}$, it holds

$$r_t(x) = r_0(x) - \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} \Phi(r_s(x), r_s(y); V_s[r](x, y)) \eta_s(x, y) d\mu(y) ds \quad (9a)$$

$$\eta_t(x, y) = \eta_0(x, y) + \int_0^t (\omega_s[r](x, y) - \eta_s(x, y)) ds. \quad (9b)$$

3. $r \in AC([0, T], L_\mu^p(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $\eta \in AC([0, T], C_b(\mathbb{R}^{2d}))$.



Graph continuity equation

$\mathfrak{G}_t = (\mu, \eta_t[r])$ co-evolving graph, for (r, η) sol to (Euler Co-NCL) $\Rightarrow \sigma := \delta_r \otimes \mu$ is a weak sol to

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \sigma + \partial_\xi(\sigma \chi[\sigma, r, \eta]) = 0, \\ \sigma_0 = \bar{\sigma} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d), \end{cases} \quad (\text{graph-CE})$$

$$\chi[\sigma, r, \eta](t, \xi, x) := - \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{x\}} \Phi(\xi, \xi'; V_t[r](x, x')) \eta_t(x, x') d\sigma(\xi', x'), \quad (10)$$

Disintegrated version of (graph-CE)

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for μ -almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\bar{\sigma} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \bar{\sigma}_x d\mu(x)$.

Theorem

Let $V : [0, T] \times L^2_\mu(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{as}(\mathbb{R}^{2d})$ satisfy some assumptions. Let (r, η) be the solution of (Euler Co-NCL). Then, there exists a unique solution $\sigma \in C([0, T], \mathcal{P}^\mu_2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d))$ to (graph-CE) with initial condition $\nu \in \mathcal{P}^\mu_2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ given by $\sigma = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sigma_{t,x} d\mu(x)$ where $\sigma_{t,x} = f_x[\sigma, r, \eta](t, \cdot) \# \nu_x$ for μ -a.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Inspired by Paul and E. Trélat - arXiv (2024) - similar case for heterogeneous interactions



Failure to prove contraction in $L^2_\mu d_2$: too strong condition on the flux

Setting

$$\mathcal{P}_2^\mu(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d) := \{\nu \in \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d) \mid \pi_{2\#}\nu = \mu\},$$

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$$\lambda := \inf_{t \in [0, T]} \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} V_t(x, x') \eta_t(x, x') d\mu(x') > 0. \quad (12)$$

Then, for any $t \in [0, T]$,

$$L^2_\mu d_2(\sigma_t^1, \sigma_t^2) \leq e^{-2\lambda t} L^2_\mu d_2(\sigma_0^1, \sigma_0^2).$$



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$V : [0, \infty) \times L_\mu^\infty(K) \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{as}(K^2)$ is continuous in time and is of the form $V(r_t(x), r_t(x')) = \alpha(r_t(x)) - \alpha(r_t(x'))$, where $\alpha \in C_b^1(\mathbb{R})$ is increasing on compact sets, i.e.

$$\alpha'(y) = \frac{d}{dy} \alpha(y) > c > 0, \quad \text{for } y \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ compact, and } c > 0.$$



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$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} r_t(x) = \frac{M}{\mu(K)}.$$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r_{0,*} \eta_* \alpha'_{*,0} M e^{\eta_* \alpha'_{*,0} M t}}{\eta_* \alpha'_{*,0} (M + (e^{\eta_* \alpha'_{*,0} M t} - 1) \mu(K) r_{0,*})} &\leq r_{t,*} \\ &\leq r_t(x) \\ &\leq \|r_t\|_{L_\mu^\infty(K)} \\ &\leq \frac{\|r_0\|_{L_\mu^\infty(K)} \alpha'_{*,0} \eta_* M e^{\alpha'_{*,0} \eta_* M t}}{\alpha'_{*,0} \eta_* \left[\|r_0\|_{L_\mu^\infty(K)} \mu(K) (e^{\alpha'_{*,0} \eta_* M t} - 1) + M \right]}. \end{aligned}$$



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