

Quantitative propagation of chaos

lect

- 1. Trajectorial / coupling
- 2. ~~Compactness~~
- 3. Semigroup analysis
- 4. Entropy methods ★
 - Jakm-Wang JFA '16
Inventures '18
 - Lacker
 - Jabir

- Mischler-Monbet-Wennberg
 - Kolokotron
 - (Chassagneux - Szpruch - Tse)
 + Bencheik-Jourdain } $E[F(\mu_t^n) - F(\mu_t)]$
 - Delarue-Tse
 - Tomasevic
 MV equation PDE: $d_t \mu_t = \dots$
 $S_t F(m) = F(\mu_t)$ when μ solves MV
 starting from $\mu_0 = m$
 (μ_t^n) perturbation

I. Bounds of relative entropy

Def: For prob. measures ν, μ (on same space)

$$H(\nu|\mu) = \begin{cases} \int \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} \log \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} d\mu = \int \log \frac{d\nu}{d\mu} d\nu & \text{if } \nu \ll \mu \\ \infty & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

- $H \geq 0$ by Jensen, $= 0$ iff $\nu = \mu$
- Pinsker's inequality:

$$\sup_{\substack{\varphi \text{ near} \\ |\varphi| \leq 1}} | \langle \mu, \varphi \rangle - \langle \nu, \varphi \rangle |^2 \leq 2 H(\nu|\mu)$$

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|| $\mu - \nu$ ||_{TV}²

- Gibbs variational formula: For φ "nice"

$$\log \int_{\mathcal{X}} e^{\varphi} d\mu = \sup_{\nu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})} \left(\langle \nu, \varphi \rangle - H(\nu | \mu) \right).$$

• Chain rule: For measures on product spaces $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$,

$$H(\mu(dx)K_x(dy) \mid \mu'(dx)K'_x(dy))$$

$$\log xy = \log x + \log y$$

(Dupuis - Ellis book)

$$= H(\mu | \mu') + \int_{\mathcal{X}} H(K_x | K'_x) \mu(dx).$$

• Subadditivity: Let $\mu_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_1)$, $\mu_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_2)$, $P \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2)$
with $P(dx, dy) = P_1(dx)K_x(dy)$.

$$H(P | \mu_1 \times \mu_2) = H(P_1 | \mu_1) + \int_{\mathcal{X}_1} H(K_x | \mu_2) P_1(dx)$$

$H(\cdot | \mu_2)$ is
convex, LSC

$$\geq H(P_1 | \mu_1) + H\left(\int_{\mathcal{X}_1} K_x P_1(dx) \mid \mu_2\right)$$

↪ 2nd marginal of P_1 , say μ_2

$$= H(P_1 | \mu_1) + H(P_2 | \mu_2)$$

$$= 2H(P_1 | \mu)$$

if $\mathcal{X}_1 = \mathcal{X}_2$, P exchangeable, $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu$
↪ $P_1 = P_2$

Generally: If $P \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}^n)$ is exchangeable, $P_k \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}^k)$
is k -particle marginal, and $\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$, then

$$H(P_k | \mu^{ak}) \leq \begin{cases} \frac{k}{n} H(P | \mu^{an}) & \text{if } \frac{n}{k} \in \mathbb{N} \\ \lfloor \frac{1}{L \frac{n}{k}} \rfloor H(P | \mu^{an}) \leq \frac{2k}{n} H(P | \mu^{an}) & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

E.g. if $\frac{1}{n} H(P | \mu^{an}) \rightarrow 0$ then $H(P_k | \mu^{ak}) \rightarrow 0 \forall k$ fixed.

$\rightarrow O(1)$

$\rightarrow O(\frac{k}{n})$

"increasing prop. chaos"

Ben Arous - Zeitouni

• Diffusions: Let $z^i, i=1,2$ in \mathbb{R}^d solve SDEs

$$dz_t^i = B_i(t, z^i) dt + dW_t^i$$

where B_i prog. measurable, bounded.

see e.g.

Lacher: "Hierarchies..."

lem 4.3/4

$$H\left(L(z^1_{[0,t]}) | L(z^2_{[0,t]})\right) = H(L(z^1_0) | L(z^2_0)) + \frac{1}{2} E \int_0^t |B_1(s, z^1) - B_2(s, z^1)|^2 ds.$$

see e.g.

L.-LeFlem '22
"sharp uniform..."
Lemma 3.1

Time-marginal version: $H(L(z^1_t) | L(z^2_t))$

- uniform in time
- singular interaction

II. Global Entropy Methods (Jabin-Wang)

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$$dX_t^i = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n b(x_t^i, x_t^j) dt + dW_t^i. \text{ Assume } (x_0^1, \dots, x_0^n) \text{ exchangeable.}$$

• Let $P_{[0,t]}^n = \text{Law}(x^1, \dots, x^n)$ on $C([0,t]; \mathbb{R}^d)$,

and $P_{[0,t]}^{n,k} = \text{Law}(x^1, \dots, x^k)$.

• MV: $dY_t^i = \langle \mu_t, b(Y_t^i, \cdot) \rangle dt + dW_t^i$, $\mu = L(Y^i)$.

$$\text{Let } H_t^{n,k} = H(P_{[0,t]}^{n,k} | \mu^{n,k}_{[0,t]}), \quad 1 \leq k \leq n.$$

Propagation of chaos would follow if $H_t^{n,k} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\forall k$.

Goal of global approach: Bound $H_t^{n,n} = O(1)$.

Subadditivity $\Rightarrow H_t^{n,k} \leq \frac{2k}{n} H_t^{n,n} = O(\frac{k}{n})$. cannot be improved!

later: improve to $O((\frac{k}{n})^2)$

Sketch: $[z^1 = (x^1, \dots, x^n), z^2 = (Y^1, \dots, Y^n)]$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} H_t^n &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n b(x_t^i, x_t^j) - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^i, \cdot) \rangle \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{n}{2} \mathbb{E} \left| \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=2}^n \left(b(x_t^1, x_t^j) - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^1, \cdot) \rangle \right) \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{n}{2(n-1)^2} \left(\mathbb{E} \sum_{j=2}^n |b_t(x_t^1, x_t^j)|^2 + \mathbb{E} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{\substack{k=2 \\ k \neq j}}^n b_t(x_t^1, x_t^j) \cdot b_t(x_t^1, x_t^k) \right)$$

$$\leq O(1) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{+} \dots$$

Side note:

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$$\leq O(1) + \underbrace{\int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^n} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j,k=2 \\ j \neq k}}^n b_t(x_1, x_j) \cdot b_t(x_1, x_k) P_t^n(dx)}_{\star}$$

Gibbs $\Rightarrow \forall a > 0$ TBD, $\forall q$,

$$\int \varphi dP^n \leq \frac{1}{a} (H(P|\mu^{\otimes n}) + \log \int e^{a\varphi} d\mu^{\otimes n})$$

Then

$$\star \leq \frac{1}{a} H_t^n + \frac{1}{a} \log \int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^n} \exp\left(\frac{a}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j,k=2 \\ j \neq k}}^n b_t(x_1, x_j) \cdot b_t(x_1, x_k)\right) \mu_t^{\otimes n}(dx)$$

$\star\star$

Goal now: Show $\star\star = O(1)$, for $a > 0$ small.

$$\text{This would lead to } \frac{d}{dt} H_t^n = \frac{1}{a} H_t^n + O(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{t \in [0, T]} H_t^n = O(1) \quad \forall T > 0$$

assume $H_0^n = H(P_0^n | \mu_0^{\otimes n}) = O(1)$

Study $\star\star$ via large deviations ideas.

Fix x_1, t . Let $f(y, z) = b_t(x_1, y) \cdot b_t(x_1, z)$.

$$\text{Study } \int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^{n-1}} \exp\left(\frac{a}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j,k=2 \\ j \neq k}}^n f(x_j, x_k)\right) \mu_t^{\otimes (n-1)}(dx_2, \dots, dx_n)$$

or

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\exp\left(\frac{a}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j,k=2 \\ j \neq k}}^n f(Y_j, Y_k)\right)\right] \quad Y_j \sim \mu_t \text{ iid.}$$

$$\approx \alpha n \langle \ln(Y)^{\alpha^2}, f \rangle$$

- If f continuous, can get $\log(\Delta) = o(n)$ via Sanov/Kravtchenko
- If f just bounded, needs work.

Jabon-Wang / Lim-Lu-Molen Lemma 4.3

III. Local entropy methods

L. '21 Hierarchies...

Idea: Develop $\frac{d}{dt} H_t^k = \frac{d}{dt} H(P_{[0,t]}^{n,k} | \mu^{sk}[0,t])$, $k < n$.

Need self-contained dynamics for X^1, \dots, X^k ,
i.e. drift depending only on (t, X^1, \dots, X^k) .

Filtering lemma:

$$(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P}) \xrightarrow{\varphi} W$$

Let $dZ_t = \varphi_t dt + dW_t$ be some Ito process.

\hookrightarrow \mathbb{F} -adapted but not nec. given as a function of (t, Z) .

Let $\hat{\varphi}(t, Z) = E[\varphi_t | \mathcal{F}_t^Z]$ be opt. projection. $\mathcal{F}_t^Z = \sigma(Z_s : s \leq t)$.

Then

$dZ_t = \hat{\varphi}(t, Z) dt + d\tilde{W}_t$ for some \mathbb{F}^Z -Brownian motion.

Proof: Show

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{W}_t &= Z_t - Z_0 - \int_0^t \hat{\varphi}(s, Z) ds \\ &= W_t + \int_0^t (\varphi_s - \hat{\varphi}(s, Z)) ds \end{aligned}$$

is \mathbb{F}^Z -B.M. using Levy's criterion.

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Idea: Use $Z = (x^1, \dots, x^k)$ in lemma.

Let $1 \leq k \leq n$. Let $\mathcal{F}_t^k = \sigma(x_s^1, \dots, x_s^k : s \leq t)$.

Then, for $1 \leq i \leq k$,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_i^k(t, x^1, \dots, x^k) &:= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n b(x_t^i, x_t^j) \mid \mathcal{F}_t^k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j \leq k \\ j \neq i}} b(x_t^i, x_t^j) + \frac{n-k}{n-1} \mathbb{E} [b(x_t^i, x_t^{k+1}) \mid \mathcal{F}_t^k]. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$dX_t^i = \beta_i^k(t, x^1, \dots, x^k) dt + d\bar{w}_t^i \quad \dots \quad \begin{matrix} i=1, \dots, k \\ k=1, \dots, n \end{matrix}$$

Compare to

$$dY_t^i = \langle \mu_t, b(Y_t^i, \cdot) \rangle dt + d\tilde{w}_t^i$$

BBGKY

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} H_t^k &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbb{E} \left| \beta_i^k(t, x^1, \dots, x^k) - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^i, \cdot) \rangle \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{k}{2} \mathbb{E} \left| \beta_1^k(t, x^1, \dots, x^k) - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^1, \cdot) \rangle \right|^2 \\ &= k \mathbb{E} \left| \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{\substack{j \leq k \\ j \neq i}} (b(x_t^1, x_t^j)) - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^1, \cdot) \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\quad + k \left(\frac{n-k}{n-1} \right)^2 \mathbb{E} \left| \mathbb{E} [b(x_t^1, x_t^{k+1}) \mid \mathcal{F}_t^k] - \langle \mu_t, b(x_t^1, \cdot) \rangle \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$=: A_k + B_k$$

(Note: For $k=n$, $B_n=0$, $A_n=O(n)$.)

• n ... k³ 1 ...

- $A_k = O\left(\frac{k^3}{n^2}\right)$ \leftarrow (ignores correlation)
- $B_k \leq k \mathbb{E} \left| \left\langle L_{\mu_t}(x^{k+1} | x^1, \dots, x^k) - \mu_t, b(x_t^1, \cdot) \right\rangle \right|^2$
 $\leq 2 \|b\|_\infty^2 k \mathbb{E} H(L(x^{k+1} | x^1, \dots, x^k) | \mu_t)$ (Pinsker)
 $= C k (H_t^{k+1} - H_t^k)$

Chain rule:

$$H(\text{joint}) = H(\text{margin}) + \int H(\text{cond})$$

$$\text{joint} = [k+1]$$

$$\text{margin} = [k]$$

$$\text{cond} = [k+1/k]$$

... Key inequality:

$$\text{For } 1 \leq i < n: \frac{d}{dt} H_t^k \leq C \left[\frac{k^3}{n^2} + ck (H_t^{k+1} - H_t^k) \right]$$

Gronwall: $H_t^k \leq e^{-ckt} H_0^k + c \int_0^t \left(\frac{k^3}{n^2} + k H_s^{k+1} \right) e^{-ck(t-s)} ds$

Iterate $k, k+1, \dots, n$.

Use crude global bound $H^n = O(n)$ to "close"

(Note: $O\left(\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)^2\right)$ is optimal,
Ex: b linear (Gaussian case))