

Gaussian fluctuations from nonlinear SPDEs

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Problem

Interface growth:

$$\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2} \Delta h + \frac{1}{2} \beta |\nabla h|^2 + V(t, x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, d \geq 2$$

- ▶ random driving force V : white-in-time, smooth-in-space

$$V(t, x) = \int \phi(x - y) \xi(t, y) dy, \quad \phi \in C_c^\infty, \int \phi = 1$$

ξ : spacetime white noise

- ▶ covariance function of V :

$$\mathbb{E}[V(t, x)V(s, y)] = \delta(t - s)R(x - y)$$

$$R(x) = \int \phi(x + y)\phi(y) dy$$

- ▶ coupling constant

$$\beta = \hat{\beta} (|\log \varepsilon|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{d=2} + \mathbf{1}_{d \geq 3})$$

- ▶ flat initial data $h(0, x) \equiv 0$

Question: large scale behavior of h

micro→macro

Equation: $\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2}\Delta h + \frac{1}{2}\beta|\nabla h|^2 + V(t, x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, d \geq 2$

- ▶ diffusive rescaling: $h_\varepsilon(t, x) = h\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$:

$$\partial_t h_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}\Delta h_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2}\beta|\nabla h_\varepsilon|^2 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2}V\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

- ▶ scaling property of white noise: $\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2}V\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \stackrel{\text{law}}{=} \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}}\xi_\varepsilon(t, x)$

$$\xi_\varepsilon(t, x) = \int \phi_\varepsilon(x - y)\xi(t, y)dy, \quad \phi_\varepsilon(x) = \varepsilon^{-d}\phi(x/\varepsilon)$$

- ▶ small forcing in $d \geq 3$: $H_\varepsilon(t, x) = \varepsilon^{-\frac{d-2}{2}}h_\varepsilon(t, x)$:

$$\partial_t H_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}\Delta H_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2}\beta_\varepsilon|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 + \xi_\varepsilon(t, x)$$

- ▶ coupling constant: $\beta_\varepsilon = \hat{\beta}(|\log \varepsilon|^{-\frac{1}{2}}1_{d=2} + \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}}1_{d \geq 3})$

Question: limit of H_ε as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

Main result

Equation: $\partial_t H_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta H_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon |\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 + \xi_\varepsilon(t, x), \quad H_\varepsilon(0, x) = 0$
 $\beta_\varepsilon = \hat{\beta} (|\log \varepsilon|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{d=2} + \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{d \geq 3})$

Theorem (Dunlap-G.-Ryzhik-Zeitouni 18', G. 18')

There exists $\beta_0 > 0$ such that if $\hat{\beta} < \beta_0$, then

$$\int (H_\varepsilon(t, x) - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon(t, x)]) g(x) dx \Rightarrow \int \mathcal{H}(t, x) g(x) dx$$

with $\partial_t \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$, with $\mathcal{H}(0, x) \equiv 0$ and the effective variance

$$\nu_{\text{eff}}^2 = \begin{cases} 2\pi / (2\pi - \hat{\beta}^2) & d = 2 \\ \int R(x) \mathbb{E}_B [e^{\frac{1}{2} \hat{\beta}^2 \int_0^\infty R(x+B_s) ds}] dx & d \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

- ★ weak coupling/disorder $\hat{\beta} < \beta_0$
- ★ $\nu_{\text{eff}}^2 > 1$
- ★ Gaussian/free/trivial/Edwards-Wilkinson limit

Roadmap from KPZ to EW

- ▶ **Microscopic:** $\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2}\Delta h + \frac{1}{2}\beta|\nabla h|^2 + V(t, x), \quad h(0, x) = 0$
- ▶ **Zoom out:** $H_\varepsilon(t, x) = \varepsilon^{-\frac{d-2}{2}} h\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right)$
- ▶ **Macroscopic:** $\partial_t H_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}\Delta H_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2}\beta_\varepsilon|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 + \xi_\varepsilon$
- ▶ **Equation for fluctuations:**

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t(H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon]) &= \frac{1}{2}\Delta(H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon]) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}\beta_\varepsilon(|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 - \mathbb{E}[|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2]) + \xi_\varepsilon\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ **nonlinearity** \rightarrow **independent noise**

$$\frac{1}{2}\beta_\varepsilon(|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 - \mathbb{E}[|\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2]) \approx \lambda\eta_\varepsilon$$

- ▶ **Edwards-Wilkinson limit** $H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon] \approx \mathcal{H}$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t(H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon]) &\approx \frac{1}{2}\Delta(H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon]) + \lambda\eta_\varepsilon + \xi_\varepsilon \\ \partial_t\mathcal{H} &= \frac{1}{2}\Delta\mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}}\xi\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ **Effective variance:** $\nu_{\text{eff}}^2 = \lambda^2 + 1 > 1$

Hopf-Cole and SHE

KPZ: $\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2} \Delta h + \frac{1}{2} \beta |\nabla h|^2 + V(t, x), \quad h(0, x) = 0$

Hopf-Cole: $u(t, x) = \exp(\beta h(t, x) - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 R(0) t)$

SHE: $\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u + \beta u V, \quad u(0, x) = 1$

EW: $\partial_t \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$

- ▶ KPZ \rightarrow EW:

$$\beta_\varepsilon^{-1} (\log u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) - \mathbb{E}[\log u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon})]) \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}(t, x)$$

- ▶ SHE \rightarrow EW:

$$\beta_\varepsilon^{-1} (u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) - 1) \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}(t, x)$$

- ▶ Linearization? $\log u = \log(1 + u - 1) \approx u - 1$?
- ▶ functions other than log?

$$\beta_\varepsilon^{-1} (f(u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon})) - \mathbb{E}[f(u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}))]) \Rightarrow ?$$

The rest of the talk

- ▶ Heuristics for SHE: Brownian paths intersection, Wiener chaos expansion
- ▶ Heuristics for KPZ: iteration and contraction
- ▶ From SHE to KPZ: analysis on Gaussian space
- ▶ Tools: Clark-Ocone formula, second order Poincaré inequality
- ▶ Nonlinear SHE
- ▶ Other works and further questions

Heuristics for SHE (I): Brownian paths intersection

Equation: $\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u + \beta u V, \quad u(0, x) = 1$

Scaling: $u_\varepsilon(t, x) = u\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right), \quad \partial_t u_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_\varepsilon + \beta \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon$

Convergence: $\frac{u_\varepsilon - 1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \Rightarrow \partial_t \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$

- ▶ fluctuations $u_\varepsilon - 1$

$$\partial_t \left(\frac{u_\varepsilon - 1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \left(\frac{u_\varepsilon - 1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \right) + u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon$$

- ▶ resonance: $u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon \rightarrow \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$ with $\nu_{\text{eff}} > 1$

- ▶ variance computation:

$$\text{Var} \left[\frac{1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \int (u_\varepsilon - 1) g \right] = \frac{1}{\beta^2 \varepsilon^{d-2}} \int \text{Cov} \left[u\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right), u\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon}\right) \right] g(x) g(y) dx dy$$

- ▶ Feynman-Kac representation

$$u(t, x) = \mathbb{E}_B \left[e^{\beta \int_0^t V(t-s, x+B_s) ds - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 R(0)t} \right]$$

$$\text{Cov} \left[u\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right), u\left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon}\right) \right] = \mathbb{E}_B \left[e^{\beta^2 \int_0^{t/\varepsilon^2} R\left(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon} + B_s^1 - B_s^2\right) ds} \right] - 1$$

Brownian paths intersection

Covariance function for SHE:

$$\text{Cov}[u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}), u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon})] = \mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta^2 \int_0^{t/\varepsilon^2} R(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon} + B_s^1 - B_s^2) ds}] - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Goal: } \frac{1}{\beta^2 \varepsilon^{d-2}} \text{Cov}[u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}), u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon})] &\approx \text{Cov}[\mathcal{H}(t, x), \mathcal{H}(t, y)] \\ &= \nu_{\text{eff}}^2 \int_0^t q_{2(t-s)}(x - y) ds \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ with probability $\sim \beta^2 \varepsilon^{d-2}$, two paths meet
- ▶ $\hat{\beta}$ small \Rightarrow intersection time $\ll \varepsilon^{-2}$
- ▶ intersection generates ν_{eff}^2
- ▶ short intersection time \Rightarrow temporospatial mixing \Rightarrow Gaussianity

Question:

- ▶ $\text{Cov}[\log(u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon})), \log(u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{y}{\varepsilon}))]$?
- ▶ similar mixing mechanism for $\log u$?

Heuristics for SHE (II): chaos expansion

Equation: $\partial_t u_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_\varepsilon + \beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2} u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon, \quad u_\varepsilon(0, x) = 1$

Limit: $\frac{u_\varepsilon - 1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \Rightarrow \partial_t \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$

- ▶ mild formulation:

$$u_\varepsilon(t, x) = 1 + \beta \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \int_0^t \int q_{t-s}(x-y) u_\varepsilon(s, y) \xi_\varepsilon(s, y) dy ds$$

- ▶ Wiener chaos: $\frac{1}{\beta \varepsilon^{(d-2)/2}} \int (u_\varepsilon - 1) g = \sum_{k \geq 1} I_k(f_{\varepsilon, k})$ with

$$I_k(f_{\varepsilon, k}) = \int g(x) q_{t-s_1}(x-y_1)$$

$$\xi_\varepsilon(s_1, y_1) \left[\prod_{j=2}^k \beta \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} q_{s_{j-1}-s_j}(y_{j-1}-y_j) \xi_\varepsilon(s_j, y_j) \right] dy ds dx$$

- ▶ $d \geq 2 \Rightarrow q_s(x)$ not square integrable at $(s, x) \approx (0, 0)$
 $\Rightarrow (s_{j-1}, y_{j-1}) \approx (s_j, y_j)$
- ▶ $\xi_\varepsilon(s_1, y_1) \int \prod_{j=2}^k \beta \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} q_{s_{j-1}-s_j}(y_{j-1}-y_j) \xi_\varepsilon(s_j, y_j) dy ds$
converges to independent spacetime white noise $\eta_k(s_1, y_1)$
- ▶ $\int g(x) q_{t-s_1}(x-y_1) \sum_{k \geq 1} \eta_k(s_1, y_1) dy_1 ds_1 dx$: chaotic CLT

Heuristics for KPZ: iteration and contraction

Equation: $\partial_t H_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta H_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon |\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 + \xi_\varepsilon(t, x), \quad H_\varepsilon(0, x) = 0$
 $\beta_\varepsilon = \hat{\beta} (|\log \varepsilon|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{d=2} + \varepsilon^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \mathbf{1}_{d \geq 3})$

One iteration \rightarrow Gaussian process: $H_1 = \mathcal{G}\xi_\varepsilon$

- ▶ covariance of $|\nabla H_1|^2 = \text{square of covariance of } \nabla H_1$
- ▶ $\frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon (|\nabla H_1|^2 - \mathbb{E}[|\nabla H_1|^2]) \Rightarrow \text{spacetime white noise}$

Picard iteration: $H_n = \mathcal{G}\xi_\varepsilon + \mathcal{G}[\frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon |\nabla H_{n-1}|^2]$

- ▶ $H_{n-1} - \mathbb{E}[H_{n-1}] \approx \text{EW}$ implies
 $\frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon (|\nabla H_{n-1}|^2 - \mathbb{E}[|\nabla H_{n-1}|^2]) \approx \text{spacetime white noise}$
- ▶ $\hat{\beta} \ll 1$: $H_n - \mathbb{E}[H_n] \approx \text{EW}$ with a “smaller error”
- ▶ $H_n - \mathbb{E}[H_n] \rightarrow \text{EW}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

From SHE to KPZ: Gaussian analysis

$$\text{SHE: } \partial_t u_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_\varepsilon + \beta_\varepsilon u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon, \quad u_\varepsilon(0, x) = 1$$

$$\text{Hopf-Cole: } H_\varepsilon = \beta_\varepsilon^{-1} \log u_\varepsilon$$

$$\text{KPZ: } \partial_t H_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta H_\varepsilon + \frac{1}{2} \beta_\varepsilon |\nabla H_\varepsilon|^2 + \xi_\varepsilon, \quad H_\varepsilon(0, x) = 0$$

- ▶ u_ε : smooth nonlinear functional of ξ
- ▶ $\xi \xrightarrow[\text{Wiener chaos}]{\text{Feynman-Kac}} u_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{\text{log transform}} H_\varepsilon$
- ▶ H_ε : smooth nonlinear functional of ξ
- ▶ Dependence on ξ : $DH_\varepsilon = (\beta_\varepsilon u_\varepsilon)^{-1} D u_\varepsilon$

Idea: analyze $X_\varepsilon = \int (H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon])g$ by tools in Malliavin calculus

- ▶ variance convergence $\text{Var}[X_\varepsilon] \rightarrow \text{Var}[\int \mathcal{H}g]$
- ▶ Gaussianity $\frac{X_\varepsilon}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[X_\varepsilon]}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$

Variance computation: Clark-Ocone formula

Goal: compute $\text{Var}[\int (H_\varepsilon - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon])g]$

Idea: no mild formulation for H_ε , resorting to Clark-Ocone!

$$H_\varepsilon(t, x) - \mathbb{E}[H_\varepsilon(t, x)] = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E}[D_{s,y} H_\varepsilon(t, x) | \mathcal{F}_s] \xi(s, y) dy ds$$

▶ $H_\varepsilon(t, x) = \beta_\varepsilon^{-1} \log u_\varepsilon(t, x)$

$$u_\varepsilon(t, x) = \mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \int_0^t \xi_\varepsilon(t-s, x + B_s) ds - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 R(0) \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}}] \propto \mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle}]$$

$$\Phi = \phi_\varepsilon(x - y + B_{t-s})$$

▶

$$\begin{aligned} D_{s,y} H_\varepsilon(t, x) &= \beta_\varepsilon^{-1} u_\varepsilon(t, x)^{-1} D_{s,y} u_\varepsilon(t, x) \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle} \Phi(s, y, t, x)]}{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle}]} \end{aligned}$$

$D_{s,y} H_\varepsilon(t, x)$: “transition kernel” from $(s, y) \mapsto (t, x)$

▶ Question: how to deal with u_ε^{-1} and the conditional expectation $|\mathcal{F}_s$?

Polymer paths

Malliavin derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{s,y} H_\varepsilon(t, x) &= \beta_\varepsilon^{-1} u_\varepsilon(t, x)^{-1} D_{s,y} u_\varepsilon(t, x) \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle} \Phi(s, y, t, x)]}{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle}]} \end{aligned}$$

Weak disorder $\hat{\beta} \ll 1$

- ▶ no intermittency!
- ▶ $u_\varepsilon(t, x)$ depends on $\{\xi(s, \cdot), s \in [t - o(1), t]\}$ approximately
- ▶ $u_\varepsilon(t, x)^{-1}$ almost independent of $\{\xi(s, \cdot), s < t - o(1)\}$
- ▶ the layer $[t - o(1), t]$ does not affect the polymer path asymptotically

Gaussianity: second order Poincaré inequality

Variance estimate: Gaussian-Poincaré inequality

- ▶ $\text{Var}[X] \leq \mathbb{E}[\|DX\|^2]$

Gaussianity: Stein meets Malliavin

- ▶ X : smooth functional on Gaussian space $\mathbb{E}[X] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X^2] = 1$

- ▶ [Chatterjee 09] [Nourdin-Peccati-Reinert 09]

$$d_{TV}(X, N(0, 1)) \lesssim \mathbb{E}[\|DX\|^4]^{1/4} \mathbb{E}[\|D^2X\|^4]^{1/4}$$

Our setting:



$$D_{s,y}H_\varepsilon(t, x) = \frac{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle} \Phi(s, y, t, x)]}{\mathbb{E}_B[e^{\beta_\varepsilon \langle \Phi, \xi \rangle}]}$$

- ▶ D^2H : similar Feynman-Kac representation

- ▶ $\mathbb{E}[\|DX\|^4], \mathbb{E}[\|D^2X\|^4]$: intersection of multiple polymer paths

No Hopf-Cole?

- ▶ Quadratic nonlinearity $\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2}\Delta h + \frac{1}{2}\beta|\nabla h|^2 + V(t, x)$
 $u = e^{\beta h}$ solves the linear equation $\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2}\Delta u + \beta u V$
probabilistic tools include Feynman-Kac, Chaos expansion, ...
- ▶ General nonlinearity $\partial_t h = \frac{1}{2}\Delta h + \beta\Phi(\nabla h) + V(t, x)$
simple example $\Phi(\nabla h) = |\nabla h|^4$, no results! no tools?
- ▶ The same EW limit should hold in a critical scaling regime for small β and a large class of Φ . Hairer-Quastel universality in the critical setting?
- ▶ Nonlinear SHE bridges the difficulty ?

$$\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2}\Delta u + \beta\sigma(u)V, \quad u(0, x) \equiv 1$$

Question: fluctuations of $u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon})$?

- ▶ Mild formulation saves the day:
 $u(t, x) = 1 + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} q_{t-s}(x-y)\sigma(u(s, y))V(s, y)dyds$

Another problem

$$\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u + \beta \sigma(u) V, \quad u(0, x) \equiv 1$$

- ▶ Fix $t > 0$, mixing property of $u(t, \cdot)$? Ergodicity and CLT
- ▶ Results on stochastic heat/wave equation/general dimensions/general noises/functional of u /general initial data: Chen, Delgado-Vences, Huang, Khoshnevisan, Nualart, Pu, Viitasaari, Zheng: $\frac{1}{N^{d/2}} \int_{|x| < N} (u(t, x) - 1) dx \Rightarrow N(0, \nu^2)$
- ▶ I prefer ε to N

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N^{d/2}} \int_{|x| < N} (u(t, x) - 1) dx &= N^{d/2} \int_{|x| < 1} (u(t, Nx) - 1) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d/2}} \int [u(t, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) - 1] g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{N}, \quad g(x) = \mathbf{1}_{|x| < 1}$$

- ▶ White noise limit of $\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d/2}} [u(t, \frac{\cdot}{\varepsilon}) - 1]$ as random Schwartz distribution

Connection to our problem

$$\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u + \beta \sigma(u) V, \quad u(0, x) \equiv 1$$

- ▶ $\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d/2}} [u(t, \frac{\cdot}{\varepsilon}) - 1] \Rightarrow$ white noise
- ▶ $\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d/2-1}} [u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) - 1] \Rightarrow$ Edwards-Wilkinson
- ▶ To consider large time, we need to “avoid” **intermittency**:
 $d \geq 3, \beta \ll 1$ or $d = 2, \beta = \hat{\beta} |\log \varepsilon|^{-1/2}$ with $\hat{\beta} \ll 1$
- ▶ Gaussianity: follow [Huang-Nualart-Viitasaari 18]
- ▶ Convergence of variance: need the marginal distribution of $u(t, x)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ $d \geq 3, \beta \ll 1$: [G.-Li 19]
 - ▶ convergence to stationary distribution
 $u(t, \cdot) \Rightarrow Z(\cdot)$ in distribution in $C(\mathbb{R}^d)$
 - ▶ $\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{d/2-1}} [u(\frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}, \frac{x}{\varepsilon}) - 1] \Rightarrow$ Edwards-Wilkinson
- ▶ Similar results in $d = 2$: [Dunlap-G. 20] limiting marginal distribution solves a **forward-backward SDE**

Convergence to stationary distribution

$$\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u + \beta \sigma(u) V, \quad u(0, x) \equiv 1, \quad d \geq 3, \beta \ll 1$$

- ▶ Existence of invariant distribution is well-known [Da Prato-Gatarek-Zabczyk 92, Tessitore-Zabczyk 98]
- ▶ I am not able to find a proof of convergence to invariant distributions in literature
- ▶ $\partial_t u_T(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_T(t, x) + \beta \sigma(u_T(t, x)) V(t, x), \quad t > -T$
initial data at $-T$: $u_T(-T, x) \equiv 1$
 $u(T, \cdot) \stackrel{\text{law}}{=} u_T(0, \cdot)$
- ▶ $T \rightarrow \infty$: $u(T, \cdot)$ converges weakly but $u_T(0, \cdot)$ converges strongly
- ▶ $\{u_T(0, x)\}_{T \geq 0}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $L^2(\Omega)$ plus tightness in $C(\mathbb{R}^d) \Rightarrow$ weak convergence of $u(T, \cdot)$ in $C(\mathbb{R}^d)$

Other related works

$d \geq 3$

- ▶ [Magnen-Unterberger 17]: ξ_ε smooth in time and space
 $\text{KPZ} \approx \partial_t \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{a}_{\text{eff}} \nabla \mathcal{H} + \nu_{\text{eff}} \xi$
- ▶ [G.-Ryzhik-Zeitouni 17]: same result for SHE
- ▶ [Mukherjee-Shamov-Zeitouni 16] [Comets-Cosco-Mukherjee 18] [Cosco-Nakajima-Nakashima 20] [Lygkonis-Zygouras 20]: pointwise fluctuations of $u, \log u$, phase transition in $\hat{\beta}$, covering all $\hat{\beta} \in (0, \beta_{\text{critical}})$

$d = 2$

- ▶ [Chatterjee-Dunlap 18]: tightness of $\{\mathcal{H}_\varepsilon\}_\varepsilon$ for $\hat{\beta} \ll 1$
- ▶ [Caravenna-Sun-Zygouras 18]: same KPZ result for $\hat{\beta} \in (0, \sqrt{2\pi})$
- ▶ [Caravenna-Sun-Zygouras 15]: same SHE result for $\hat{\beta} \in (0, \sqrt{2\pi})$, pointwise fluctuations of $u, \log u$, phase transition in $\hat{\beta}$

1d KPZ: Hairer, Gubinelli-Imkeller-Perkowski, Kupiainen,...

Conclusion

Summary:

- ▶ Gaussian fluctuations from KPZ equation and nonlinear SHE in a **weak** disorder regime (aka no intermittency)
- ▶ Tools from Gaussian analysis

Further questions:

- ▶ **PDE question**: without Hopf-Cole? more general nonlinearity? Hairer-Quastel type universality? [Hairer-Xu 16,18, Shen-Xu 16, Gubinelli-Perkowski 16, Furlan-Gubinelli 17]

$$\partial_t h = \Delta h + \phi(\nabla h) + V$$

- ▶ **Statistical physics question**: what happens at $\hat{\beta}_{\text{critical}}$? **non-Gaussian** behavior? How to “enter” intermittency regime?

$$\text{2d SHE at } \hat{\beta}_{\text{critical}} = \sqrt{2\pi}: \partial_t u_\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u_\varepsilon + \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{|\log \varepsilon|}} u_\varepsilon \xi_\varepsilon$$

[Bertini-Cancrini 98, Caravenna-Sun-Zygouras 18, G.-Quastel-Tsai 19]

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Thank you for your attention!