

Lecture 2. Lecture recordings
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Reminders: first HW due today.

Last time: to solve KPZ we want to
multiply distributions / functions such
that the sum of the regularities
is not necessarily positive.

Today: rough path theory
"how to do this for functions of
one variable".

Actually, rough paths are enough to
solve KPZ. (Hairer 2013)

Young integration. (1936)

Interested in the Riemann-Stieltjes
integral $\int_0^1 f(t) dg(t)$. " $\approx$ " $\int_0^1 f(t) g'(t) dt$

This should (presumably) be the
limit of Riemann sums

$$\lim \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_{i-1}) (g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1}))$$

(left Riemann sum)

or

$$\lim \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i) (g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1}))$$

(right Riemann sum)

So in particular, these limits
should be the same.

The difference of the left &
right sums is $\{f \in C^\alpha, g \in C^\beta\}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{i=1}^N (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})) (g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})) \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^N |f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})| \cdot |g(x_i) - g(x_{i-1})| \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{|x_i - x_{i-1}|^\alpha}_{\approx \frac{1}{N} \Delta x} \cdot \|f\|_{C^\alpha} \|g\|_{C^\beta} \end{aligned}$$

$|x_i - x_{i-1}| \sim \frac{1}{N}$, so this is like

$N \cdot \frac{1}{N^{\alpha+\beta}} \rightarrow 0$ iff $\alpha+\beta > 1$.

Thm. If $\alpha+\beta > 1$, $f \in C^\alpha$, $g \in C^\beta$,
then the Young integral
 $\int_0^T f(t) dg(t)$ is well-defined,
and it obeys the estimate

$$\left| \int_0^T f(t) dg(t) - f(s)(g(T) - g(s)) \right| \\ \leq \|f\|_{C^\alpha} \|g\|_{C^\beta} T^{\alpha+\beta}.$$

for any $s \in (0, T)$.

Beyond Young integration?

Itô integration (1950s?)

We can define $(B_t \text{ std BM})$

$\int_0^T B_t dB_t$ as a limit in

probability of left Riemann sums.

Note: this does not fall into the
framework of Young integration
because $B \in C^\alpha$, $\alpha < 1/2$.

In particular, $\int_0^T B_t dB_t$ is not a
continuous function of the path
 B if we put the C^α topology
on B . To see that it is not ^{integral} continuous,
think about shifting B slightly
in time to turn left RS into right RS.

and we know that the right Riemann sum is converging to the Itô integral plus twice the QV.
 (or midpoint RS converges to Stratonovich)
 Itô theory: stabilize the integration theory by imposing probabilistic conditions, i.e. demand that the integral be a (local) martingale.

But we would like a pathwise meaning. For $\int_0^t B_t dB_t$, no choice but to define it probabilistically.

But what about (assume $f \in C^2$)
 $\int_0^t f(B_t) dB_t$?

Itô integration lets us define this as well. But can we do it pathwise?

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T f(B_t) dB_t &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{t_{i-1}}^{t_i} f(B_t) dB_t \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{t_{i-1}}^{t_i} \left[\textcircled{A} f(B_{t_{i-1}}) + \textcircled{B} f'(B_{t_{i-1}})(B_t - B_{t_{i-1}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \textcircled{C} \frac{1}{2} f''(B_{t_i}) (B_t - B_{t_{i-1}})^2 \right] dB_t \\ &\quad \hookrightarrow t_i^* \in [t_{i-1}, t_i] \end{aligned}$$

Typical size of $\textcircled{A}$ is $|t_i - t_{i-1}|^\alpha$
 not going to 0.

Typical size of $\textcircled{B}$ is $|t_i - t_{i-1}|^{2\alpha}$
 $\boxed{\text{Do}}$: check this using Itô integration.

Typical size of $\textcircled{C}$ is $|t_i - t_{i-1}|^{3\alpha}$.

Point: $\textcircled{A}$ and $\textcircled{B}$ are not negligible.
 but $\textcircled{C}$ is negligible since we can take $\alpha > 1/3$.

What this means is that if we define

$$B_{s,t} := \int_s^t (B_r - B_s) dB_r, \text{ "iterated integral"}$$

then we can write

$$\int_0^t f(B_s) dB_s \approx \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ f(B_{t_{i-1}}) \underbrace{(B_{t_i} - B_{t_{i-1}})}_{= B_{t_{i-1}, t_i}} + f'(B_{t_{i-1}}) B_{t_{i-1}, t_i} \right\}.$$

Theorem. This sum converges as the mesh size goes to 0, and the resulting "rough integral" is continuous as a function of (t, ξ, B) where B has the topology of C^α , and B has the topology generated by

$$\sup_{t \neq s} \frac{|B_{s,t}|}{|t-s|^{2\alpha}}.$$

$(B, B) \xrightarrow{\text{cts.}} \int_0^T f(B_s) dB_s$
 $\uparrow \text{msbl}$
 $\omega \in \Omega \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{\text{msbl}} \int_0^T f(B_s) dB_s$
 $\cap_{C^\alpha}$

Observe: for this to work, we don't actually need f to be a fn of B_t . Rather, it is sufficient to replace $f(B_t)$ by some Y_t s.t. there exists a Y'_t such that

$$Y_t - Y_s = Y'_s B_{s,t} + R_{s,t}, \text{ where}$$

$|R_{s,t}| \lesssim |t-s|^{2\alpha}$. In this case, we say that Y is controlled by B with Gubinelli derivative Y' . (Note: Y' has nothing to do with the ordinary derivative, and may not even be unique.)

Now let's try to make this precise

Definition. Let $\alpha \in (1/3, 1/2]$, and let V be a Banach space (e.g. $\mathbb{R}^d$). An α -Hölder rough path over V is a pair $(X: [0, T] \rightarrow V, \mathbb{X}: (0, T]^2 \rightarrow V \otimes V)$

such that $\checkmark X_t - X_s$

$$\|X\|_\alpha := \sup_{s < t} \frac{|X_{s,t}|}{|t-s|^\alpha} < \infty$$

$$\text{and } \|\mathbb{X}\|_{2\alpha} := \sup_{s < t} \frac{|\mathbb{X}_{s,t}|}{|t-s|^{2\alpha}} < \infty$$

and such that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{X}_{s,t} - \mathbb{X}_{s,u} - \mathbb{X}_{u,t} \\ = X_{s,u} \otimes X_{u,t}. \end{aligned}$$

(Chen's relation).

Why Chen's relation?

$$X_{s,t} = \int_s^t X_{s,r} \otimes dX_r.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_s^t X_{s,r} \otimes dX_r - \int_s^u X_{s,r} \otimes dX_r \\ - \int_u^t X_{u,r} \otimes dX_r \\ = \int_s^t (X_r - X_s) \otimes dX_r - \int_s^u (X_r - X_s) \otimes dX_r \\ - \int_u^t (X_r - X_u) \otimes dX_r. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} = -X_s \otimes (X_t - X_s) \\ + X_s \otimes (X_u - X_s) \\ + X_u \otimes (X_t - X_u) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (X_u - X_s) \otimes (X_t - X_u)$$

Do: show that $X_{s,t}^{X_0, X_0}$ can be recovered from the path $t \mapsto (X_{0,t}, X_{0,t})$ along w/ Chen's relation.

Rough paths are integrators. Now we want to define the space of integrators.

Given a function $X \in C^\alpha([0, T], V)$, we say that a $Y \in C^\alpha([0, T], \bar{W})$ is controlled by X if there exists a $Y' \in C^\alpha([0, T], \mathcal{L}(V, \bar{W}))$ such that the remainder term given by

$$Y_{s,t} = Y'_s X_{s,t} + R^Y_{s,t} \text{ satisfies } \|R^Y\|_{2\alpha} < \infty. \text{ (e.g. if } Y_s = f(X_s) \text{ then take } Y'_s = f'(X_s))$$

This defines the space of controlled rough paths $(Y, Y') \in \mathcal{D}_X^{2\alpha}([0, T], \bar{W})$.
 we call any such Y' a Gubinelli derivative of Y w.r.t. X . Equip this space with the seminorm

$$\|Y, Y'\|_{X, 2\alpha} := \|Y'\|_\alpha + \|R^Y\|_{2\alpha}.$$

Next time: prove this theorem using "sewing lemma", which is a precursor to the "reconstruction theorem" in regularity structures

Then we can define the rough integral

$$\int_s^t Y dX, X = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N (Y_{t_{i-1}} X_{t_{i-1}, t_i} + Y'_{t_{i-1}} \cancel{X}_{t_{i-1}, t_i}).$$

Theorem: This limit exists, and we have the bound

$$\left| \int_s^t Y_r dX_r - Y_s X_{s,t} - Y'_s \cancel{X}_{s,t} \right| \leq C \left(\|X\|_\alpha \|R^Y\|_{2\alpha} + \|\cancel{X}\|_{2\alpha} \|Y'\|_\alpha \right) \cdot |t-s|^{3\alpha}.$$

Moreover, the map from $\mathcal{D}_X^{2\alpha}([0, T], \mathcal{L}(V, W))$ to $\mathcal{D}_X^{2\alpha}([0, T], W)$ given by $(Y, Y') \mapsto (\int_0^\cdot Y_r dX_r, Y)$ is cts. and satisfies a certain bound