

Duality, intertwining and orthogonal polynomials
for interacting particles in \mathbb{R}^d

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Duality of Markov processes with respect to a function:

Useful tool in queuing theory, random walks with reflecting / absorbing barriers, mathematical population genetics, interacting particle systems . . .

Basic idea:

In order to understand long-time behavior of complicated process, follow simpler process backwards in time.

In interacting particle systems:

often duality allows to map study of k -point correlation function of many-particle system to time evolution of a system with k particles.

Holley, Stroock '79; Liggett's book on interacting particle systems.

Duality vs. intertwining

Process – state space – semigroup

$$(X_t)_{t \geq 0}, E, (P_t)_{t \geq 0}, \quad (Y_t)_{t \geq 0}, F, (Q_t)_{t \geq 0}.$$

Dual with duality function $H : E \times F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$\mathbb{E}_x [H(X_t, y)] = \mathbb{E}^y [H(x, Y_t)]$$

for all x, y, t .

Lévy '48: Brownian motion on half-line absorbed / reflected at 0, $H(x, y) = \mathbb{1}_{\{x \leq y\}}$.

Kernel $K(x, dy)$ is an **intertwiner** if

$$\int P_t(x, dx') K(x', B) = \int K(x, dy) Q_t(y, B) \quad (B \subset F).$$

Duality & reversible measure $\mu \rightarrow$ intertwiner

$$K(x, dy) = H(x, y)\mu(dy).$$

The question

Franceschini, Giardinà 2018; Redig, Sau 2018

Several interacting particle systems on \mathbb{Z}^d have **factorized reversible measures** ν on $\mathbb{N}_0^{\mathbb{Z}^d}$,

$$\nu = \bigotimes_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \nu_x$$

$\nu_x =$ measure on \mathbb{N}_0 , in shift-invariant setting: $\nu_x \equiv \nu_0$.

Often **self-duality functions of product form**

$$D(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}) = \prod_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} D_0(n_x, m_x)$$

with single-site function

$$D_0(n, m) = \frac{P_n(m)}{\nu_0(m)},$$

$(P_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ **discrete orthogonal polynomials**, orthogonality w.r.t. ν_0 .

What happens for \mathbb{R}^d instead of \mathbb{Z}^d ?

Overview

1. Consistent processes
2. Intertwining with Lenard's K -transform
3. Intertwining with orthogonal polynomials
4. Example: Symmetric inclusion process & Meixner polynomials

Consistency: labelled particles

Markov dynamics for finitely many particles in $E = \mathbb{R}^d$.

Total number of particles conserved.

Markov kernel for random removal of a point:

$$\Pi_{n+1,n}(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}; B) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \mathbb{1}_B(x_1, \dots, \widehat{x}_i, \dots, x_{n+1}), \quad B \subset E^n.$$

(Weak) consistency of transition functions $p_t^{(n)}(x, dy)$ on E^n :

$$p_t^{(n+1)} \Pi_{n+1,n} = \Pi_{n+1,n} p_t^{(n)}.$$

For $n = 1$

$$p_t^{(2)}(x_1, x_2; B \times E) + p_t^{(2)}(x_1, x_2; E \times B) = p_t^{(1)}(x_1; B) + p_t^{(1)}(x_2; B).$$

Example: independent random walkers.

Interacting diffusions, sticky Brownian motion: Le Jan, Raimond '04. . .

Howitt, Warren '09 *Consistent families of Brownian motion and stochastic flows of kernels*.

Consistency: non-labelled particles

Configuration $\{x_j\}_{j=1,\dots,n} \leftrightarrow$ counting measure $\eta = \delta_{x_1} + \dots + \delta_{x_n}$

$$\eta(B) = \#\{j : x_j \in B\}.$$

\mathbf{N}_f space of finite counting measures.

Annihilation operator

$$\mathcal{A}f(\delta_{x_1} + \dots + \delta_{x_n}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(\delta_{x_1} + \dots + \cancel{\delta_{x_i}} + \dots + \delta_{x_n})$$

Semigroup (P_t) on \mathbf{N}_f consistent if

$$P_t \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} P_t.$$

Independent random walkers / free Kawasaki

$$Lf(\eta) = \iint (f(\eta - \delta_x + \delta_y) - f(\eta)) q(x, dy) \eta(dx).$$

$q(x, dy)$ one-particle jump kernel.

Symmetric inclusion process

$\alpha(dx)$ finite measure on \mathbb{R}^d

Generator

$$Lf(\eta) = \iint (f(\eta - \delta_x + \delta_y) - f(\eta)) (\alpha + \eta)(dy) \eta(dx)$$

Particles jump.

Join another particle or jump to new location.

Symmetric inclusion process is consistent.

Variante: add spatial structure: $(\alpha + \eta)(dy) \rightarrow c(x, y)(\alpha + \eta)(dy)$, $c(x, y) = c(y, x)$.

Lattice version introduced as **dual model in energy transport** Giardinà, Kurchan, Redig 2007, reminiscent of Kipnis, Marchioro, Presutti 1982.

Intertwining with Lenard's K -transform

K -transform of function $f : \mathbf{N}_f \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$Kf(\delta_{x_1} + \cdots + \delta_{x_n}) = \sum_{I \subset \{1, \dots, n\}} f\left(\sum_{i \in I} \delta_{x_i}\right).$$

Lenard' 73: *Correlation functions and the uniqueness of the state in classical mechanics.*

Theorem

(P_t) conservative semigroup on \mathbf{N}_f . Then (P_t) is consistent if and only if

$$\forall t \geq 0: \quad P_t K = K P_t.$$

Similar relation for free Kawasaki dynamics Kondratiev, Kuna, Oliveira, da Silva, Streit 2009.
Lattice result Carinci, Giardinà, Redig 2019.

Consequence: for $\eta_0 = \delta_{x_1} + \cdots + \delta_{x_n}$, get

$$\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0} [\eta_t(B)] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}_{x_i}(X_t^{(1)} \in B).$$

Time evolution of k -point correlation functions \leftrightarrow time-evolution for k particles.

Intertwining with orthogonal polynomials

ρ probability measure on \mathbf{N}_f .

$\overline{\mathcal{P}_n}$ = closure in $L^2(\mathbf{N}_f, \rho)$ of linear combinations of maps

$$\eta \mapsto \eta(A_1) \cdots \eta(A_k), \quad k \leq n,$$

$A_1, \dots, A_k \subset \mathbb{R}^d$. Contains maps

$$\eta \mapsto \int f_n d\eta^{\otimes n}.$$

Orthogonal version

$$\mathcal{P}_n(\eta; f_n) = \int f_n d\eta^{\otimes n} - \text{orthogonal projection onto } \overline{\mathcal{P}_{n-1}}.$$

Theorem

(P_t) consistent, conservative, process (η_t) , reversible measure ρ
 $(p_t^{(n)})$ compatible n -particle dynamics

$$\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0} [\mathcal{P}_n(\eta_t; f_n)] = \mathcal{P}_n(\eta_0; p_t^{(n)} f_n) \quad \rho\text{-almost all } \eta_0 \in \mathbf{N}_f.$$

Proof does not need explicit formulas or recurrence relations for polynomials.

Orthogonal polynomials of particular interest when ρ is law of Lévy point process η

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\exp\left(-\int f d\eta\right)\right] = \exp\left(\int \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (e^{-kf(x)} - 1) m(k) \alpha(dx)\right).$$

$m(k) = \delta_{k,1}$: Poisson point process.

- ▶ Schoutens 2000:
Orthogonal polynomials and stochastic processes.
- ▶ Nualart, Schoutens 2000:
Chaotic and predictable representations for Lévy processes.
- ▶ Lytvynov 2004:
Orthogonal decompositions for Lévy processes with an application to the gamma, Pascal, and Meixner processes.
Builds on Berezansky, Mierzejewski. . .

Free Kawasaki / Poisson-Charlier

ρ = law of Poisson point process with intensity measure λ

$f_n = \mathbf{1}_{A_1}^{\otimes n_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1}_{A_k}^{\otimes n_k}$, $n_1 + \cdots + n_k = n$, $A_i \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ disjoint,

$$\int f_n d\eta^{\otimes n} = \eta(A_1)^{n_1} \cdots \eta(A_k)^{n_k},$$

Orthogonal version

$$\mathcal{P}_n(\eta; f_n) = \prod_{i=1}^k \mathcal{C}_{n_i}(\eta(A_i); \lambda(A_i)),$$

where

$$\mathcal{C}_n(x; \alpha) = x^n + \text{lower order terms} \quad (x \in \mathbb{N}_0)$$

orthogonal w.r.t. Poisson law on \mathbb{N}_0 with parameter α .

$$\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0} [\mathcal{P}_n(\eta_t; f_n)] = \mathcal{P}_n(\eta_0; p_t^{\otimes n} f_n).$$

Application to symmetric inclusion process

$$Lf(\eta) = \iint (f(\eta - \delta_x + \delta_y) - f(\eta))(\alpha + \eta)(dy)\eta(dx)$$

Pascal point process (negative binomial point process) $p \in (0, 1)$, $\alpha(dx)$

- ▶ $B_1, \dots, B_m \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ disjoint $\Rightarrow \eta(B_1), \dots, \eta(B_m)$ independent.
- ▶ $\eta(B) =$ a negative binomial random variable,

$$\mathbb{P}(\eta(B) = n) = (1 - p)^\beta \frac{\beta(\beta + 1) \cdots (\beta + n - 1)}{n!} p^n, \quad \beta = \alpha(B).$$

Bruss, Rogers SPA '91 ... distinguished role of the Pascal distribution in finding explicit solutions of optimal selection problems based on relative ranks.

Proposition

Symmetric inclusion process is consistent.

For every $p \in (0, 1)$, law $\rho_{p,\alpha}$ of negative binomial point process is reversible for the symmetric inclusion process.

Negative binomial process and Ewens measure

Expectation of functions of negative binomial process

$$\int f d\rho = (1 - p)^{\alpha(E)} \left(f(0) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{p^n}{n!} \int f(\delta_{x_1} + \dots + \delta_{x_n}) \lambda_n(d\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

Measures $\lambda_1 = \alpha$,

$$\lambda_2(A) = \int \mathbb{1}_A(x_1, x_2) \alpha(dx_1) \alpha(dx_2) + \int \mathbb{1}_A(x, x) \alpha(dx)$$

more generally, λ_n is a sum over set partitions of $\{1, \dots, n\}$.

Total mass

$$\lambda_n(E^n) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_n} \theta^{|\sigma|} \prod_{B \in \sigma} (|B| - 1)!, \quad \theta = \alpha(E)$$

$|\sigma|$ number of blocks in set partition.

Compare: Ewens probability measure on set partitions.

Compatible labelled generator

$$L_n f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\int (f(x_1, \dots, \cancel{x_i} y, \dots, x_n) - f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)) \alpha(dy) \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (f(x_1, \dots, \cancel{x_i} \cancel{x_j}, \dots, x_n) - f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)) \right)$$

Theorem

$(\eta_t)_{t \geq 0}$ symmetric inclusion process, $p \in (0, 1)$ fixed, orthogonalization in $L^2(\rho_{p, \alpha})$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0} [\mathcal{P}_n(\eta_t; f_n)] = \mathcal{P}_n(\eta_0; \rho_t^{(n)} f_n)$$

for $\rho_{p, \alpha}$ almost all η_0 .

Orthogonal version of $\int f_n d\eta^{\otimes n} = \eta(A_1)^{n_1} \cdots \eta(A_k)^{n_k}$ is

$$\mathcal{P}_n(\eta; f_n) = \prod_{i=1}^k \mathcal{M}_{n_i}(\eta(A_i); p, \alpha(A_i))$$

product of univariate [Meixner polynomials](#).

Summary

How to generalize product dualities with orthogonal polynomials from lattices?

Natural framework:

Orthogonal polynomials from chaos decompositions and Lévy white noise

Still missing:

applications!

For proving scaling limits, analyzing fluctuation fields...??