# Rough flows

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It is easy to construct flows!





Deal with

- classical RDEs with infinite dimensional state space/signal
- stochastic mean field RDEs,
- a 'rough analogue' of stochastic flows

- 1. Flows and approximate flows
- 2. An illustration: From controlled ODEs to RDEs

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3. Rough flows

## 1. 'Approximate flows' and flows

▶ Definition. A  $C^1$ -approximate flow is a family of  $C^2$  maps  $\mu_{ts} : E \to E$ , continuous wrt (s, t) for uniform convergence, with  $\|\mu_{ts} - I\|_{C^2} \le o_{t-s}(1)$ , and

$$\left\| \mu_{tu} \circ \mu_{us} - \mu_{ts} \right\|_{\mathcal{C}^1} \leq c_1 \, |t-s|^a$$

for some positive constants  $c_1$  and a > 1 and all  $0 \le s \le u \le t \le T$ . For a partition  $\pi_{ts} = \{s < t_1 < \cdots < t_n < t\}$  of [s, t], set

$$\mu_{\pi_{ts}} := \bigcirc_{i=0}^{n-1} \mu_{t_{i+1}t_i}.$$

► Theorem [B, 12']. A  $C^1$ -approximate flow  $\mu$  defines a unique flow  $\varphi$  st.  $\|\varphi_{ts} - \mu_{ts}\|_{\infty} \leq |t - s|^a$ ; moreover

$$\left\|\varphi_{ts}-\mu_{\pi_{ts}}\right\|_{\infty} \lesssim c_1^2 \left|\pi_{ts}\right|^{a-1}$$

Remark. Elementary and short proof.

Choice of  $\mu_{ts}$  guided by local considerations on "Taylor expansions".

Given  $h \in C^{\alpha}, \alpha > \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\mathbf{F} = (V_1, \dots, V_{\ell})$  vector fields on E, of class  $C_b^2$  $dz_t = \mathbf{F}(z_t) dh_t.$ (1)

▶ Definition. A solution flow to equation (1) is a flow  $\varphi$  with a "uniform Taylor expansion", at any time s and any point x, of the form

$$f(\varphi_{ts}(x)) = f(x) + h_{ts}^i(V_i f)(x) + O(|t-s|^{>1}), \qquad (2)$$

for all f regular enough.

• Method for constructing the solution flow to equation (1)

1. Candidate for a map  $\mu_{ts}$  with good Taylor expansion

 $\mu_{ts}(x) = x + h_{ts}^i V_i(x).$ 

It satisfies (2) but is not a flow.

2.  $\mu$  is a  $C^1$ -approximate flow:  $\|\mu_{tu} \circ \mu_{us} - \mu_{ts}\|_{C^1} \leq c_1 |t-s|^{2\alpha}$ .

3. Its associated flow satisfies (2) since  $\|\varphi_{ts} - \mu_{ts}\|_{\infty} \lesssim |t - s|^{2\alpha}$ .

## 2. Flows generated by classical RDEs

 $F = (V_1, \dots, V_\ell)$ : Lip<sub>3</sub> vector fields on E, X a weak geometric Hölder *p*-rough path over  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$ ,

$$dz_t = F(z_t) X(dt).$$
(3)

▶ Definition. A solution flow to equation (3) is a flow  $\varphi$  with "uniform Taylor expansion", at any time s and any point x, of the form

$$f(\varphi_{ts}(x)) = f(x) + \sum_{1 \le |I| \le [p]} X'_{ts}(V_I f)(x) + O(|t-s|^{>1}),$$

with  $V_i$  identified with a first order diff. operator and

$$V_I f = V_{i_1} \cdots V_{i_k} f$$
, if  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_k)$ .

Set  $V_{[I]} = \left[V_{i_1}, \left[\dots, \left[V_{i_{k-1}}, V_{i_k}\right], \dots\right]\right]$  and  $\Lambda_{ts} := \log X_{ts}$ . Define  $\mu_{ts}$  as the time 1 map of the ODE

$$\dot{y}_u = (\Lambda_{ts}^l V_{[l]})(y_u), \quad 0 \leq u \leq 1.$$

▶ Proposition [B, 12']. We have

$$\left\|f\circ\mu_{ts}-\left(f+\sum_{1\leq |I|\leq [p]}X_{ts}^{I}(V_{I}f)\right)\right\|_{\infty}\leq c_{f}(\mathbf{X})|t-s|^{>1},$$

and  $\mu$  is a  $C^1$ -approximate flow.

▶ Theorem [B, 12']. The RDE  $dz_t = F(z_t) X(dt)$  has a unique solution flow  $\varphi$ . It satisfies

$$\left\|\varphi_{ts}-\mu_{\pi_{ts}}\right\|_{\infty}\lesssim c_{1}^{2}\left|\pi_{ts}\right|^{a-1},$$

where  $c_1$  is polynomial in the norm of **X**.

► Remarks [B, 12'-13']. The approach can deal with 'Banach space-valued' rough paths and unbounded vector fields with linear growth, giving well-posedness results.

#### 3. From stochastic flows to rough flows

 ▶ Ito setting • dz<sub>t</sub> = V<sub>i</sub>(z<sub>t</sub>) • dB<sup>i</sup><sub>t</sub> one can separate space (V<sub>i</sub>) and noise (B)
 ▶ stochastic flow setting dy<sub>t</sub> = F(y<sub>t</sub>, • dB<sub>t</sub>) one cannot separate space from noise
 Fundamental object vector field-valued Brownian motion, or semimartingale.

▶ Rough path setting lift B into a rough path B RDE dz<sub>t</sub> = F(z<sub>t</sub>)B(dt)
 ▶ Rough flow setting lift F(y<sub>t</sub>, ∘dB<sub>t</sub>) into ? ?!

#### 3.1 Rough vector fields

Let  $2 be given, and <math>V(\cdot, t)$  be a time-dependent velocity field on E. Set  $V_{ts}(\cdot) = V(\cdot, t) - V(\cdot, s)$ .

▶ Definition. A (weak geometric Hölder) *p*-rough vector field is a family  $(\mathbf{V}_{ts})_{0 \le s \le t \le T}$ , where  $\mathbf{V}_{ts} = (V_{ts}, \mathbb{V}_{ts})$ , and  $\mathbb{V}_{ts}$  is a second order differential operator s.t.

(i) the vector fields 
$$V_{ts}$$
 are  $C_b^3$ , with  $\sup_{0 \le s \le t \le T} \frac{\|V_{ts}\|_{C^3}}{|t-s|^{\frac{1}{p}}} < \infty$ ,

(ii) the second order differential operators  $W_{ts} := \mathbb{V}_{ts} - \frac{1}{2} V_{ts}^2$ , are actually vector fields, and

$$\sup_{0\leq s\leq t\leq T} \frac{\left\|W_{ts}\right\|_{\mathcal{C}^2}}{\left|t-s\right|^{\frac{2}{p}}}<\infty,$$

(iii) we have  $\mathbb{V}_{ts} = \mathbb{V}_{tu} + \mathbb{V}_{us} + V_{us}V_{tu}$ , for all  $0 \le s \le u \le t \le T$ .

## 3.2 Rough flows

Let  $\mu_{ts}$  be the time 1 map of the ODE

 $\dot{y}_u = (V_{ts} + W_{ts})(y_u), \quad 0 \leq u \leq 1.$ 

► Theorem [BR, 14']. We have

 $\left\|f \circ \mu_{ts} - \left(f + V_{ts}f + \mathbb{V}_{ts}f\right)\right\|_{\infty} \leq c_{f}(\mathbf{V}) |t - s|^{>1}$ 

and  $\mu$  is a  $C^1$ -approximate flow which depends continuously on V. The unique flow associated to  $\mu$  is said to solve the RDE on flows

 $d\varphi_{s} = \mathbf{V}(\varphi, \circ dt),$ 

and called a rough flow; it is a continuous function of V.

▶ Remarks. Continuous semimartingale vector fields have rough lifts; their associated rough flows are the awaited stochastic flows. One can also lift Gaussian vector fields to rough vector fields, and study their associated flows: stable/unstable manifold theorems for such dynamics.

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