

Averaging results for non-autonomous slow-fast systems of SPDEs

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In this case the perturbation in the slow motion is given by the sum of a deterministic part and a stochastic part

$$\epsilon f_1(x, y) dt + \sqrt{\epsilon} g_1(x, y) dw(t),$$

and the fast motion is described by a stochastic differential equation.

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Then, for every fixed $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we can introduce the transition semigroup

$$P_t^x \varphi(y) = \mathbb{E} \varphi(Y^{x,y}(t)),$$

where $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Borel bounded.

Main assumptions

We assume that there exists $\bar{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that for every $t \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

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We also assume that there exists $\bar{a} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ such that for every $t \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\max_{i,j} \mathbb{E} \left| \frac{1}{T} \int_t^{t+T} g_1^{i,k}(x, Y^{x,y}(s)) g_1^{k,j}(x, Y^{x,y}(s)) ds - \bar{a}^{ij}(x) \right| \leq \alpha(T),$$

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the slow component $X_\epsilon(\cdot)$ converges weakly in the space of continuous trajectories $C([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^n)$ to the solution $\bar{X}(\cdot)$ of the averaged equation.

Moreover, if g_1 does not depend on the fast variable, the convergence is stronger.

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and

$$\bar{a}^{i,j}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} g_1^{i,k}(x, y) g_1^{k,j}(x, y) d\mu^x(y).$$

Averaging for SPDEs

In a series of papers, also together with M. Freidlin, we have considered an infinite dimensional analogue of (2) in a bounded domain $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \geq 1$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u_\epsilon}{\partial t}(t, \xi) = \mathcal{A}_1 u_\epsilon(t, \xi) + f_1(\xi, u_\epsilon(t, \xi), v_\epsilon(t, \xi)) \\ \quad + g_1(\xi, u_\epsilon(t, \xi), v_\epsilon(t, \xi)) \frac{\partial w^{Q_1}}{\partial t}(t, \xi), \\ \\ \frac{\partial v_\epsilon}{\partial t}(t, \xi) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} [(\mathcal{A}_2 - \lambda)v_\epsilon(t, \xi) + f_2(\xi, u_\epsilon(t, \xi), v_\epsilon(t, \xi))] \\ \quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} g_2(\xi, u_\epsilon(t, \xi), v_\epsilon(t, \xi)) \frac{\partial w^{Q_2}}{\partial t}(t, \xi), \end{array} \right. \quad (3)$$

with initial conditions $u_\epsilon(0, \xi) = x(\xi)$, $v_\epsilon(0, \xi) = y(\xi)$ and suitable boundary conditions.

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- the mappings $f_i(\xi, \cdot) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g_i(\xi, \cdot) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Lipschitz-continuous, or more general.

Under the hypotheses above, the stochastic system admits a unique adapted mild solution

$$(u_\epsilon, v_\epsilon) \in L^p(\Omega; C([0, T]; H)) \times L^p(\Omega; C([0, T]; H)),$$

for any $p \geq 1$ and $T > 0$, and for any $\epsilon > 0$.

By adapting to this infinite dimensional situations the arguments described above, we can average the coefficients f_1 and g_1 of the slow equation, and obtain the averaged equation

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we show that it admits a unique mild solution $\bar{u} \in L^p(\Omega, C([0, T]; H))$, for any $p \geq 1$ and $T > 0$.

Therefore, we prove that under the conditions above, for any $T > 0$ we have

$$\mathcal{L}(u_\epsilon) \rightharpoonup \mathcal{L}(\bar{u}), \quad \text{in } C([0, T]; H), \quad \text{as } \epsilon \downarrow 0.$$

If

$$g_1(\xi, \sigma_1, \sigma_2) = g_1(\xi, \sigma_1), \quad (\xi, \sigma_1, \sigma_2) \in D \times \mathbb{R}^2,$$

then, for any $\eta > 0$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(|u_\epsilon - \bar{u}|_{C([0, T]; H)} > \eta) = 0,$$

or, even more,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{E} \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |u_\epsilon(t) - \bar{u}(t)|_H^p = 0,$$

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In recent years, many different other models of slow-fast systems of SPDEs have been considered. So, now the literature on the validity of the averaging principle for SPDEs is quite large.

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The classical Hodgkin-Huxley model has time-independent coefficients, but (see Wainrib 2013)

systems with time-dependent coefficients are particularly important to study models of learning in neuronal activity.

The system

We are dealing here with the following class of equations

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In fact, we considered more general differential operators.

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We assume $Q_i e_k = \lambda_{i,k} e_k$, for every $k \geq 1$ and $i = 1, 2$, and

$$\kappa_i := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{i,k}^{\rho_i} |e_k|_{\infty}^2 < \infty, \quad \zeta := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k^{-\beta} |e_k|_{\infty}^2 < \infty,$$

for some constants $\rho_i \in (2, +\infty]$ and $\beta \in (0, +\infty)$ such that

$$\frac{\beta(\rho_i - 2)}{\rho_i} < 1.$$

Notice that when

$$\alpha_k \sim k^{2/d}, \quad \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} |e_k|_\infty < \infty,$$

the condition above on the eigenvalues $\lambda_{i,k}$ of the operators Q_i becomes

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$$b_2(t, \xi, u, v) = -\beta(t, \xi) v^{2m+1} + \sum_{j=1}^{2m} \beta_j(t, \xi) v^j + h_2(t, \xi, u, v),$$

where h_1 and h_2 are locally Lipschitz functions with linear growth. All coefficients α, β, α_j and β_j are continuous, and

$$\inf_{\xi \in \bar{D}} \alpha(\xi) > 0, \quad \inf_{(t, \xi) \in \mathbb{R}^+ \times \bar{D}} \beta(t, \xi) > 0.$$

For every $x, y \in C(\bar{D})$, we set

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For any $\epsilon > 0$ we set

$$U_\epsilon(t, s) = \exp \left(\frac{\gamma(r, \rho)}{\epsilon} A - \frac{\alpha}{\epsilon} (t - s) \right), \quad s < t.$$

Clearly, for every initial condition x , we have that

$$u(t) = U_\epsilon(t, s)x, \quad t \geq s,$$

is the unique mild solution to the linear problem

$$\partial_t u(t) = \frac{1}{\epsilon}(\gamma(t)\Delta - \alpha)u(t), \quad t > s, \quad u(s) = x,$$

endowed with the given boundary conditions.

The slow-fast system

With the notations introduced above, our system can be rewritten in the following abstract form

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In what follows, we shall denote

$$H = L^2(D), \quad E = C(\bar{D}).$$

We show that for any $\epsilon > 0$ and $x, y \in E$ there exists a unique adapted mild solution to the problem above in $L^p(\Omega; C_b((s, T]; E \times E))$, with $s < T$ and $p \geq 1$.

This means that there exist two unique adapted processes u_ϵ and v_ϵ in $L^p(\Omega; C_b((s, T]; E))$ such that

$$u_\epsilon(t) = e^{tA}x + \int_s^t e^{(t-r)A}B_1(u_\epsilon(r), v_\epsilon(r)) ds \\ + \int_s^t e^{(t-s)A}G_1(u_\epsilon(r)) dw^{Q_1}(r),$$

and

$$v_\epsilon(t) = U_\epsilon(t, s)y + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_s^t U_\epsilon(t, r)B_2(r, u_\epsilon(r), v_\epsilon(r)) dr \\ + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \int_s^t U_\epsilon(t, r)G_2(r, v_\epsilon(r)) dw^{Q_2}(r).$$

Some bounds

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The fast equation in \mathbb{R}

An adapted process $v^x \in L^p(\Omega; C(\mathbb{R}; E))$ is a *mild solution* of the equation above in \mathbb{R} if, for every $s < t$,

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Finally, η^x is a mild solution in \mathbb{R} of the fast equation.

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We show that the family $\{\mu_t^x\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ defines an **evolution system of probability measures on E** for the fast equation.

This means that μ_t^x is a probability measure on E , for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and for every $\varphi \in C_b(E)$

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Finally, if $\{\nu_t^x\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ is another evolution family of measures for the same equation, such that

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \int_E |y|_E \nu_t^x(dy) < \infty,$$

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- Let $F \subset X$ and, for any $x \in F$, let $f(\cdot, x) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous function. The family of functions $\{f(\cdot, x)\}_{x \in F}$ is said **uniformly almost periodic** if for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $l_\epsilon > 0$ such that

$$\bigcap_{x \in F} T(f(\cdot, x), \epsilon) \cap [a, a + l_\epsilon] \neq \emptyset, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The important consequence of almost periodicity

- There exists the *mean value* in Y of any almost periodic function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow Y$, that is

$$\exists \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(s) ds \in Y.$$

Moreover, for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$

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- If $\{f(\cdot, x)\}_{x \in F}$ is a uniformly almost periodic family of functions, with $F \subset X$, then

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Almost periodicity of the evolution family of measures

We assume the following conditions on $\gamma(t)$ and the coefficients $b_2(t, \xi, \sigma)$ and $g_2(t, \xi, \sigma)$.

- The function $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is periodic.
- For every $R > 0$, the families of functions

$$B_R := \{b_2(\cdot, \xi, \sigma) : \xi \in \bar{D}, \sigma \in B_{\mathbb{R}^2}(R)\},$$

$$G_R := \{g_2(\cdot, \xi, \sigma) : \xi \in \bar{D}, \sigma \in B_{\mathbb{R}}(R)\}$$

are both uniformly almost periodic.

Under these conditions, it is easy to check that for any $R > 0$ the family of functions

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In Da Prato-Tudor (1995), SPDEs with periodic and almost periodic coefficients are studied and it is proven that if

- $\gamma(\cdot)$ is periodic,
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In view of Da Prato-Tudor result, this implies that the mapping

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Notice that this, together with the estimates we have for B_1 , yields

$$|\bar{B}(x)|_E \leq c (1 + |x|_E^{m_1}).$$

The fundamental limit

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for some mapping $\alpha : [0, \infty) \times E \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ such that

$$\sup_{T>0} \alpha(T, x) \leq c (1 + |x|_E^{m_1}), \quad x \in E,$$

and, for any compact set $K \subset E$,

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in K} \alpha(T, x) = 0.$$

The mapping $\bar{B} : E \rightarrow E$ is locally Lipschitz-continuous. Moreover, for any $x, h \in E$ and $\delta \in \mathcal{M}_h$

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the equation above admits a unique mild solution

$$\bar{u} \in L^p(\Omega; C_b((0, T]; E)).$$

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$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} |u_\epsilon(t) - \bar{u}(t)|_E > \eta \right) = 0,$$

where \bar{u} is the solution of the averaged equation.

A few comments about the proof

For any $h \in D(A)$ and $\epsilon > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D u_\epsilon(t, \xi) h(\xi) d\xi &= \int_D x(\xi) h(\xi) d\xi + \int_0^t \int_D u_\epsilon(s, \xi) A h(\xi) d\xi ds \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_D \bar{B}(u_\epsilon(s, \cdot))(\xi) h(\xi) d\xi ds + \int_0^t \int_D [G_1(u_\epsilon(s)h)](\xi) dw^{Q_2}(s, \xi) \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_D (B_1(u_\epsilon(s), v_\epsilon(s))(\xi) - \bar{B}(u_\epsilon(s))(\xi)) h(\xi) d\xi ds. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, due to the tightness of the family $\{\mathcal{L}(u_\epsilon)\}_{\epsilon \in (0,1]}$ in $\mathcal{P}(C([0, T]; E))$, we have to prove

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{E} \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |R_\epsilon(t)|_E = 0,$$

where

$$R_\epsilon(t) := \int_0^t \int_D (B_1(u_\epsilon(s), v_\epsilon(s))(\xi) - \bar{B}(u_\epsilon(s))(\xi)) h(\xi) d\xi ds.$$

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But going from (5) to (4), is not painless. We use here the Khasminskii method of localization in time, but this requires first a truncation procedure for the coefficients and some uniform estimates.

Thank You