

Lagrangian Approximations and Computations of Effective Diffusivities and Front Speeds in Chaotic and Stochastic Volume Preserving Flows

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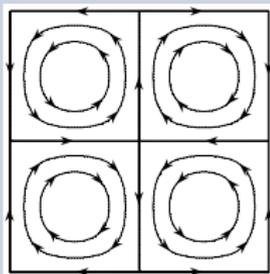
Outline

- Ordered and Chaotic Volume Preserving Flows.
- Enhanced Diffusivity, Mixing and Residual Diffusivity.
- Structure Preserving Methods and Discrete Corrector Problems
- Lagrangian Computation of Effective Diffusivity in 3D Chaotic and Stochastic Flows.
- Kolmogorov-Petrovsky-Piskunov (KPP) Front Speed and HJ.
- Feymann-Kac Representation and Genetic Particle Approximation.
- KPP Front Speed in Time Periodic 3D Kolmogorov Flow.
- Conclusions and Future Work.

Cellular (Beltrami-Childress) Flow

- 2D steady cellular (Hamiltonian) flow:

$$\mathbf{V}(x, y) = (-\partial_y \mathcal{H}, \partial_x \mathcal{H}), \quad \mathcal{H} = \sin(x) \sin(y)$$



- 2D time periodic cellular flow:

$$\mathbf{V}(x, y, t) = (\cos(y) + \theta \sin(y) \cos(t), \cos(x) + \theta \sin(x) \cos(t)),$$

$\theta \in (0, 1]$. As θ increases, more and more disorder appears in flow trajectories.

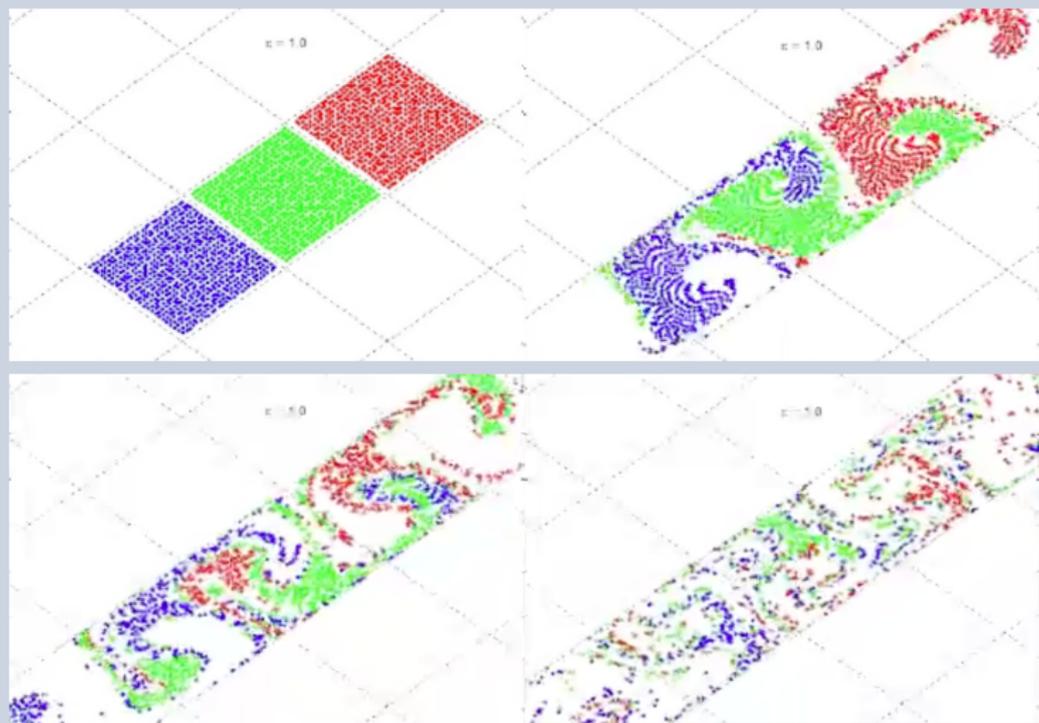
Mixing at $\theta = 1$: snapshots of Lagrangian particles.

Figure: Courtesy T. McMillen, Cal State Univ. Fullerton.

Arnold-Beltrami-Childress Flows

- Originated in the 1960's:

$$x' = A \sin z + C \cos y$$

$$y' = B \sin x + A \cos z$$

$$z' = B \cos x + C \sin y$$

right hand side is a steady state of 3D Euler equation, with dynamic instability (S. Friedlander et al '93: $A = 1, B^2 + C^2 > 1$ or $B, C \ll 1$).

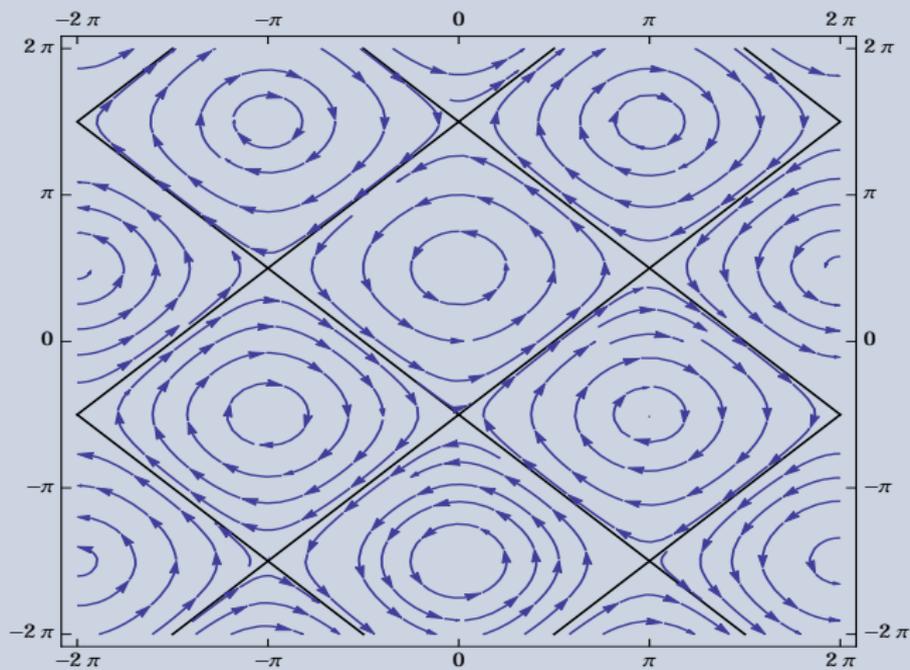
- Another form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \nabla H(x, y) + A \begin{pmatrix} \sin z \\ \cos z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z' = H(x, y) := B \cos x + C \sin y.$$

Integrable (a cellular flow) if A or B or $C = 0$.

Integrable Flow on xy -Plane when $A = 0$



Exact ballistic solution: $(x, y, z) = (0, \pi/2, (B + C)t)$.

Ballistic Spiral Orbit with $(x, y)(t)$ Trapped in a Cell

- When $(x, y)(t)$ stay within a cell, z' does not change sign, implying helical motion with linear growth in z . If $A \ll 1$, the system is a perturbed Hamiltonian in 3 dimensions.
- Contraction mapping principle yields:

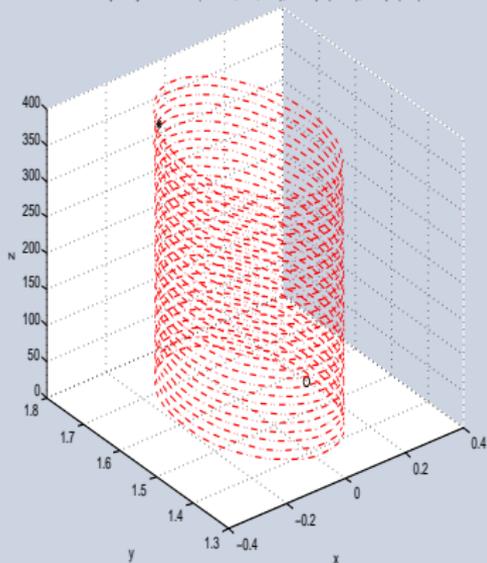
Theorem (McMillen, X, Yu, Zlatos; SIAD 2016)

\exists positive number $A_0 = A_0(B, C)$ s.t. $\forall A \in [0, A_0]$ and $z(0) \in \mathbb{R}$, there is a smooth ABC trajectory $(x, y, z)(t)$ where z is increasing in t , the limit $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t)/t$ exists and converges to $B + C$ as $A \rightarrow 0$, and (x, y) is 2π -periodic in z .

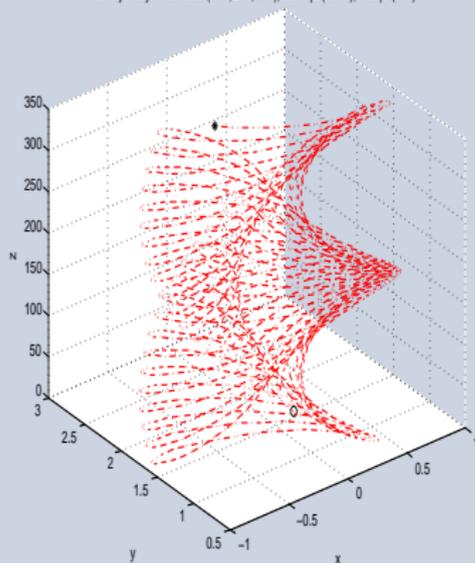
- Quasi-periodic orbits $(x, y)(z)$ exist from a modified KAM theory based on an action-angle-angle formulation. Higher harmonics, where (x, y) is $2m\pi$ -periodic in z , $m \geq 2$, exist by Melnikov method.

Spiral Orbits: initial pt $(0.2, \pi/2, 0)$ (circle),
 $A = 0.01(L), 1(R); B = C = 1$; linear growth in z .

A trajectory of abc flow ($A=0.01, B=1, C=1$), initial pt (circle), end pt (star)

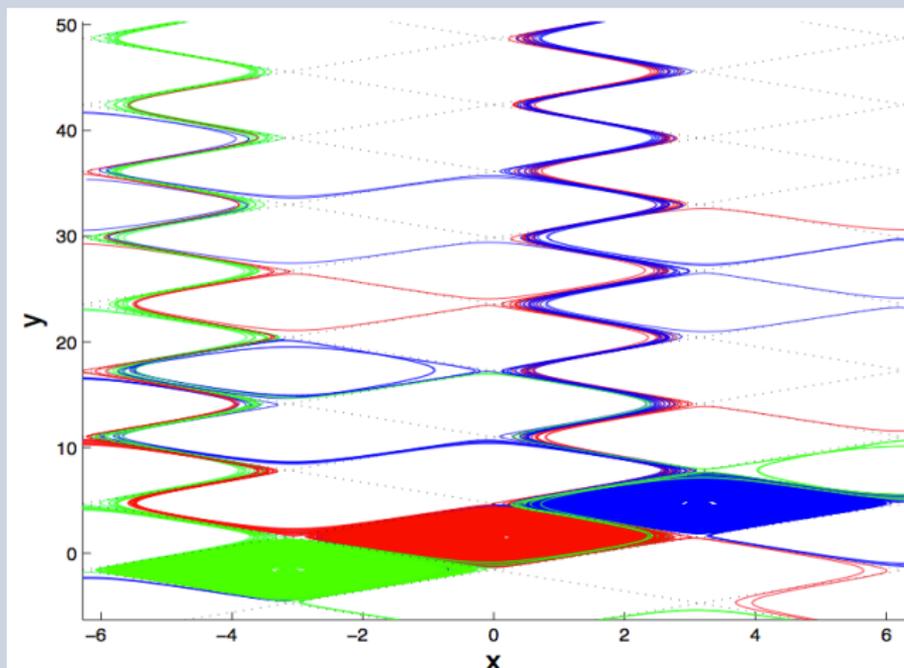


A trajectory of abc flow ($A=1, B=1, C=1$), initial pt (circle), end pt (star)



Edge Orbits: moving along cell edges on the projected xy -plane, $(A, B, C) = (0.1, 1, 1)$.

Initial position $(x, y)(0)$ close to cell edge. Ballistic motion in x and/or y .



Existence of Mod (2π) Periodic Edge Orbits

Theorem (McMillen, X, Yu, Zlatos, SIAD 2016)

If $A \in (0, A_0]$, $A_0 = A_0(B, C)$ is small enough, there exists $T > 0$ and 4 edge orbits $X(t) = (x, y, z)(t)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} X(t+T) &= X(t) \pm (2\pi, 2\pi, 0) \\ X(t+T) &= X(t) \pm (2\pi, -2\pi, 0). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Likewise, there exists $T > 0$ and 4 edge orbits $X(t) = (x, y, z)(t)$, s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} X(t+T) &= X(t) \pm (2\pi, 0, 0) \\ X(t+T) &= X(t) \pm (0, 2\pi, 0). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

- Edge orbits (2) exist when $A = B = C = 1$ by a **non-perturbative symmetry argument** (X, Yu, Zlatos, SIMA 2016).
- **Edge orbits do not exist** in the integrable case (e.g. $A = 0$).

ABC and Kolmogorov Flows

- ABC flow has both **ordered** (ballistic orbits and nearby trajectories, so called vortex tubes) and **disordered** trajectories (Arnold '65; Hénon '66; Dombre, Frisch, Greene, Hénon, Mehr & Soward '86; ...).
- Vortex tubes in ABC believed to cause maximally enhanced transport.
- Kolmogorov flow (Galloway & Proctor '92, Childress & Gilbert '95):

$$x' = \sin z$$

$$y' = \sin x$$

$$z' = \sin y$$

much more chaotic (visible on Poincaré section) than ABC.

Disorder dominates **order** in K flow.

- Ballistic orbits in K flow: Tabrizian, X, Yu (in preparation).
- **Quantitative measure of chaos**: **effective diffusivity**.

Effective Diffusivity

- **Lagrangian.** Let $\sigma > 0$, and \mathbf{X}_t solve SDE:

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{V}(t, \mathbf{X}_t) dt + \sigma d\mathbf{W}_t \quad (3)$$

\mathbf{W}_t : Wiener process. Along $\mathbf{e} = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, *effective diffusivity* is:

$$D^E = \lim_{t \uparrow +\infty} E[|(\mathbf{X}_t - \mathbf{X}_0) \cdot \mathbf{e}|^2] / (2t)$$

(known in physics as: Einstein formula. In turbulent diffusion: G.I. Taylor, 1923; simplified models, Majda and Kramer, 1999.)

- **Eulerian.** Let χ be the unique mean zero time periodic solution of:

$$L\chi := \partial_\tau \chi + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla_y) \chi + D_0 \Delta_y \chi = -\mathbf{V}(\tau, y), \quad (\tau, y) \in \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{T}^d, \quad d \geq 2,$$

corrector (cell) problem (Bensoussan, J-L. Lions, Papanicolaou, 1978),

$$D^E = D_0 + \langle \chi^1 v^1 \rangle = D_0 (1 + \langle |\nabla \chi^1|^2 \rangle),$$

$D_0 := \sigma^2/2$, the molecular diffusivity; $\langle \cdot \rangle :=$ space time periodic average, $\mathbf{V} = (v^1, \dots, v^d)$, $\chi = (\chi^1, \dots, \chi^d)$.

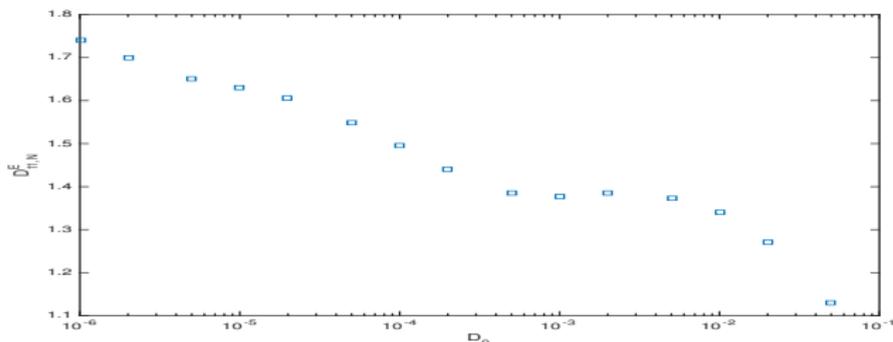
Enhanced Diffusivity, Mixing and Residual Diffusivity

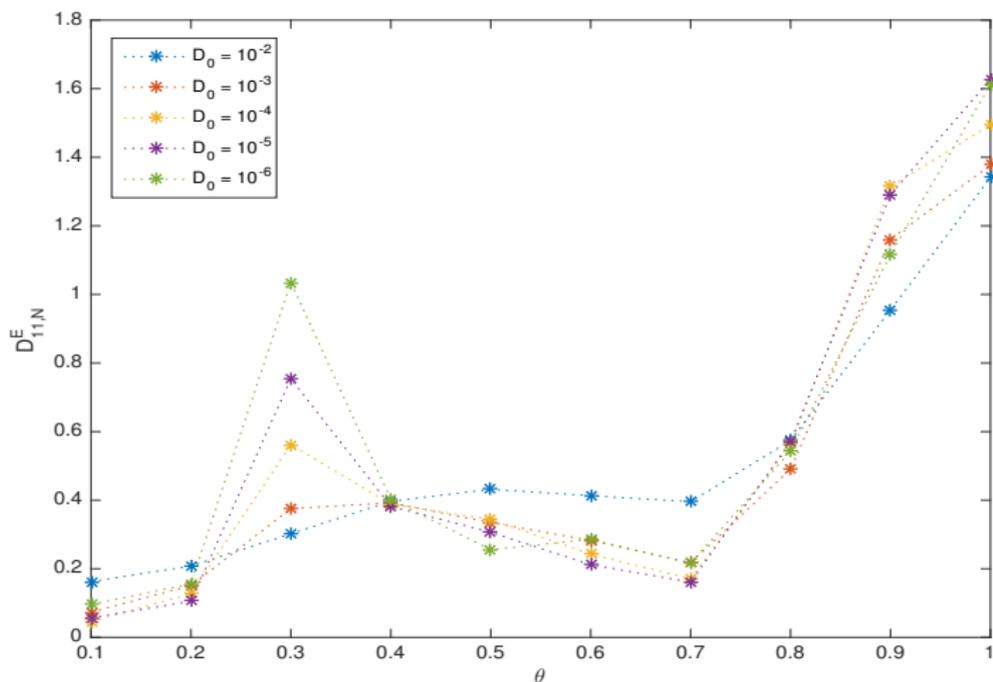
- 2D steady BC flow (Eulerian analysis): $D^E = O(\sqrt{D_0})$, as $D_0 \downarrow 0$.
Childress ('79, boundary layer), Fannjiang and Papanicolaou ('94, variational analysis), Heinze ('03, corrector analysis).
Lagrangian computation: Pavliotis, Stuart, and Zygalakis, '09.
- 2D time per. mixing flow (num. evidence of **Residual Diffusivity**):

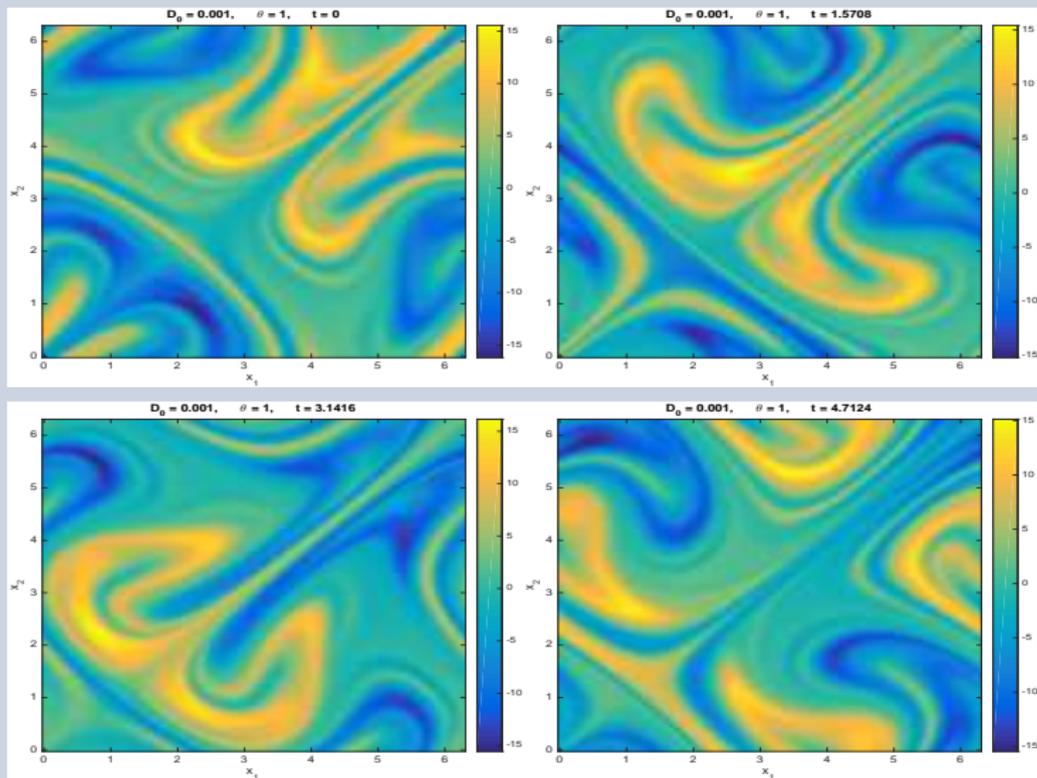
$$D^E = O(1), \quad \text{as } D_0 \downarrow 0, \quad \theta = 1.$$

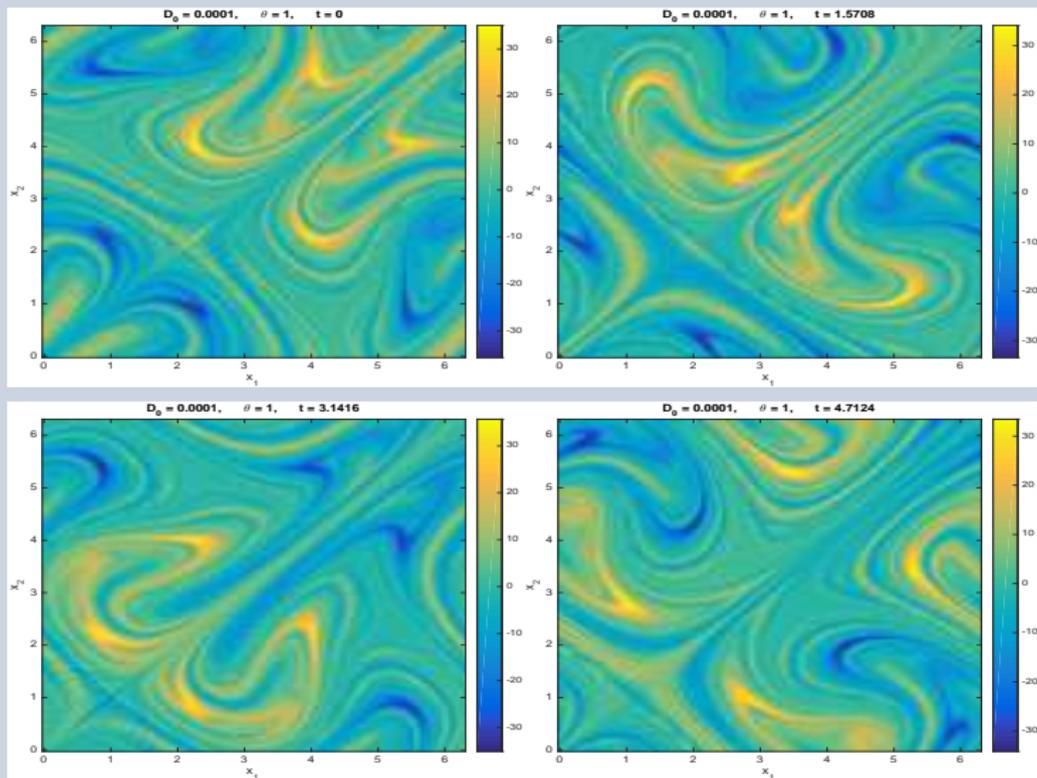
Biferale, Crisanti, Vergassola, Vulpiani ('95)

Lyu-X-Yu ('17, spectral method, Figs. below and subsequent).



Resonance Phenomenon of Residual Diffusivity in θ 

Thin Layers in Snapshots of Corrector at $D_0 = 10^{-3}$ 

Thinner Layers in Snapshots of Corrector at $D_0 = 10^{-4}$ 

Structure Preserving Discretization

- The SDE with divergence free advection \mathbf{V} :

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{V}(t, \mathbf{X}_t) dt + \sigma d\mathbf{W}_t$$

has uniform invariant measure π_u on the torus $\mathbb{R}^d/\mathbb{Z}^d$ ($d \geq 2$).

- Let $\mathbf{X}_i = (x_i^1, \dots, x_i^d)$; $i = 0, 1$. Explicit update from \mathbf{X}_0 to \mathbf{X}_1 is:

$$\begin{cases} x^{1*} = x_0^1 + \Delta t v^1(\frac{\Delta t}{2}, x_0^2, x_0^3, \dots, x_0^{d-1}, x_0^d) \\ x^{2*} = x_0^2 + \Delta t v^2(\frac{\Delta t}{2}, x^{1*}, x_0^3, \dots, x_0^{d-1}, x_0^d) \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ x^{d*} = x_0^d + \Delta t v^d(\frac{\Delta t}{2}, x_0^{1*}, x_0^{2*}, x_0^{3*}, \dots, x^{(d-1)*}) \\ \mathbf{X}_1 = \mathbf{X}^* + \sigma \mathbf{W}_1 \end{cases}$$

\mathbf{W}_1 : random vector w. independent entry $\sqrt{\Delta t} \xi_j$, ξ_j unit Gaussian.

- The scheme has discrete invariant measure $\pi_{\Delta t} \approx \pi_u$. Deterministic part is volume-preserving or symplectic (K. Feng & Z. Shang, 1995).

Lagrangian Approximation of Effective Diffusivity

Theorem (Wang,X,Zhang '19)

Let $p_n := x_n^1$ be the first component of structure preserving scheme with time step Δt . Let $\mathbf{V} = (v^1, \dots, v^d)(t, \mathbf{X})$ be *periodic and separable* in the sense that v^i does not depend on x^i , $\forall i = 1, \dots, d$. Then the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[p_n^2]/(2n\Delta t)$ exists and approximates the effective diffusivity D^E along $\mathbf{e} = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ with the estimate:

$$\left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[p_n^2]/(2n\Delta t) - D^E \right| \leq C \Delta t, \quad C \text{ independent of } \Delta t.$$

- In computation, fix Δt and find end time $T = N\Delta t$ so that $E[p_N^2]/(2T)$ tends to a constant P which may depend on Δt . The above theorem ensures that P converges to D^E as $\Delta t \downarrow 0$ at a first order rate independent of T .
- Proof casts structure preserving updates as a discrete Markov process, and relates $E[p_n^2]/(2n\Delta t)$ to the corrector formula of D^E .

Lagrangian Approximation of Effective Diffusivity

- Let $I_{\Delta t, \tau}$ be the density evolution operator of the discrete Markov process generated by the scheme from τ to $\tau + \Delta t$. Let time period be 1, and $\Delta t = 1/N$. Then $(I_{\Delta t, \tau})^n$ converges weakly to an invariant measure $\pi_{\Delta t, \tau}$ on bounded measurable functions on \mathbb{T}^d .
- Taking expectation of the 1st eqn of the scheme gives:

$$\begin{aligned} E[x_n^1] &= E[x_{n-1}^1] + \Delta t E[v^1(t_{n-1/2}, x_{n-1}^2, \dots)] \\ &= E[x_0^1] + \Delta t \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} E[v^1(t_{k+1/2}, x_k^2, \dots)] \end{aligned}$$

motivating the function below in calculating $E[p_n^2]$:

$$\hat{v}_N^1(\tau, \mathbf{x}) := \Delta t \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} E[v^1(t_{i+1/2} + \tau, \mathbf{X}_i) | \mathbf{X}_0 = \mathbf{x}].$$

Convergence of infinite sum follows from that of $\pi_{\Delta t, \tau}$.

Discrete Cell Problem (DCP)

- Let v^1 have zero mean over space, then $\hat{v}_N^1(\tau, x)$ is the unique bounded space-time mean zero solution of the DCP equation on $\hat{\chi} = \hat{\chi}(\tau, x)$:

$$(I_{\Delta t, \tau} \hat{\chi})(\tau, x) - \hat{\chi}(\tau, x) = -\Delta t v^1\left(\tau + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, x\right).$$

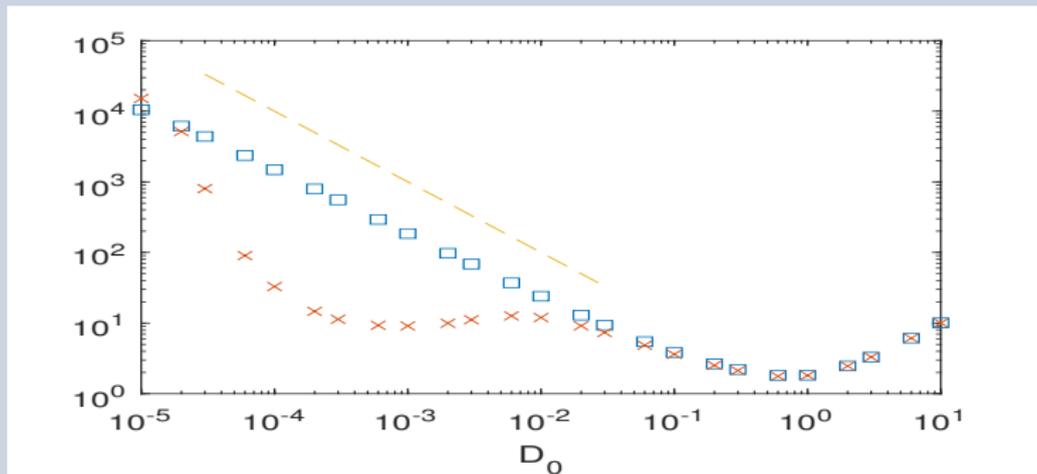
- Eulerian cell problem gives:

$$\exp\{\Delta t L\} \chi^1 - \chi^1 = -\Delta t v^1 + O((\Delta t)^2).$$

- $I_{\Delta t, \tau}$ is a 2nd order operator splitting of $\exp\{\Delta t L\}$.
- Example ($d = 2$):

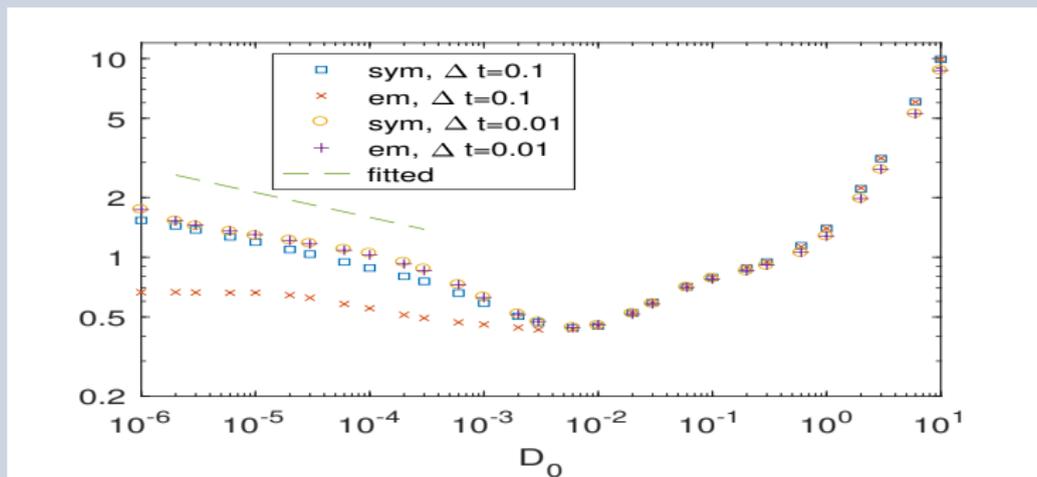
$$I_{\Delta t, \tau} = \exp\{\Delta t L_4\} \exp\left\{\frac{\Delta t}{2} L_1\right\} \exp\{\Delta t L_3\} \exp\{\Delta t L_2\} \exp\left\{\frac{\Delta t}{2} L_1\right\}.$$

$$L_1 = \partial_\tau, \quad L_2 = v^1 \partial_{y_1}, \quad L_3 = v^2 \partial_{y_2}, \quad L_4 = D_0 \Delta_y.$$

Enhanced Diffusivity in ABC Flow: $D^E = O(D_0^{-1})$.

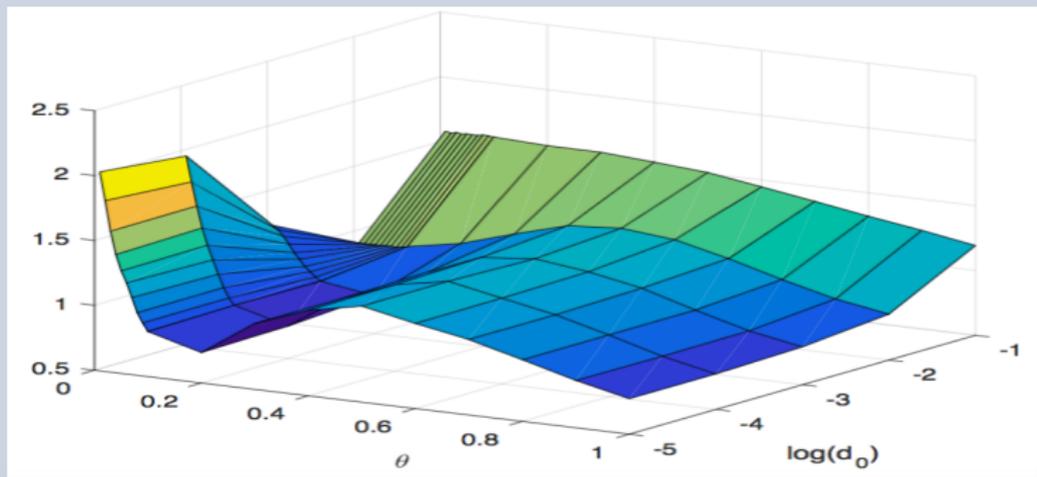
- **Maximal enhancement** ($A = B = C = 1$): \square structure preserving method, \times Euler's method, $--$ reference line $y = \frac{1}{D_0}$. No. of particles = 120,000; $\Delta t = 0.001$; end time $T = 12000$.
- Robustness of ballistic orbits in the presence of weak Gaussian noise.

Enhanced Diffusivity in K Flow: $D^E = O(D_0^{-0.13})$.



- **Sub-maximal enhancement** in K flow: “sym” = structure preserving method, “em” = Euler’s method, — reference line to fit $y = D_0^{-0.13}$.
- No. of particles = 120,000; end time $T = 12000$.
- Strong Lagrangian chaos: some “remnant structures” in absence of “channels” or “vortex tubes” ?

D^E in time periodic K Flow.



- Time periodic Kolmogorov flow:

$$(\sin(z + \theta \sin 2\pi t), \sin(x + \theta \sin 2\pi t), \sin(y + \theta \sin 2\pi t)).$$

- Resonance in θ is prominent at small D_0 .
- **Sub-maximal enhancement:** $D^E = O(D_0^{-0.2})$, at $\theta = 0.1$.

Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

- Stationary ergodic in space: prob. space (Ω, F, P_0) , with measure preserving group action τ_x , $P_0(\tau_x(A)) = P_0(A)$, $\forall A \in F$;
 $P_0(\tau\text{-invariant event})=0$ or 1 .
- Let P^t ($t \geq 0$) be a strongly continuous Markov semigroup on $L^2(\Omega)$:
 $P^t \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}$, positivity and P_0 -preserving.
- Random flow $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}(t, \mathbf{x}, \omega) = b(\tau_x \omega(t)) \in (L^2(\Omega))^d$ is continuous in (t, \mathbf{x}) , loc. Lipschitz in \mathbf{x} , divergence-free, finite 2nd moment.
- Let L be the generator of P^t , the corrector problem is ($\kappa = \sigma^2/2$):

$$\mathcal{L}\psi := (L + \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla + \kappa \Delta)\psi = -\mathbf{b},$$

admitting a unique solution in $\text{Dom}(L) \cap C_b^2(\Omega)$ (stationary corrector) under fast time-mixing.

- For each realization ω of the flow, consider SDE:

$$d\mathbf{X}_t^\omega = \mathbf{b}(t, \mathbf{X}_t^\omega, \omega) dt + \sigma d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{X}_0^\omega = \mathbf{0}.$$

Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

- Homogenization (Fannjiang & Komorowski '99): let \mathbf{e} be a unit vector, the process $\epsilon \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{X}_{t/\epsilon^2}^\omega$ converges weakly to a Brownian motion as $\epsilon \downarrow 0$ with diffusivity:

$$\mathbf{e}^T D^E \mathbf{e} := \kappa + (-\mathcal{L}\psi \cdot \mathbf{e}, \psi \cdot \mathbf{e})_{L^2(\Omega)}.$$

- Split out $\sigma d\mathbf{W}_t$ and adopt a **volume-preserving** integrator on the flow \mathbf{b} :

$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1}^\omega = \Phi_{\Delta t}^{\omega(t_n)}(\mathbf{X}_n^\omega),$$

$\omega(t_n)$ refers to realization of \mathbf{b} at times $t_n = n\Delta t$.

- Due to **lack of separability** of \mathbf{b} in general, $\Phi_{\Delta t}^{\omega(t_n)}$ is **implicit**.
- Example ($d = 2$):

$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1}^\omega = \mathbf{X}_n^\omega + \Delta t \mathbf{b}(t_n, \text{mean}(\mathbf{X}_n^\omega, \mathbf{X}_{n+1}^\omega), \omega).$$

Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

- In $d \geq 3$, decompose \mathbf{b} into a sum of $d - 1$ velocity fields, each of them equivalent to a two-component problem (Feng & Shang '95).
- Environment processes (view from the particle position):

$$\eta_t := \tau_{\mathbf{X}_t^\omega} \omega(t), \quad \eta_n := \tau_{\mathbf{X}_n^\omega} \omega(t_n)$$

- Strongly continuous Markov semigroup on $L^2(\Omega)$ with generator \mathcal{L} :

$$S_t f = \mathbb{E}[f(\eta_t) := M E_\Omega[f(\eta_t)]], \quad S_n f := \mathbb{E}[f(\eta_n)], \quad M \text{ w.r.t. } W$$

representing solution to corrector problem as:

$$\psi = \int_0^\infty S_t \mathbf{b} dt.$$

- Define:

$$\mathbf{B}_{\Delta t} := \Phi_{\Delta t}^{\omega(t_n)}(\mathbf{X}_n^\omega) - \mathbf{X}_n^\omega, \quad \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\Delta t} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{B}_{\Delta t}].$$

Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

- The function

$$\psi_{\Delta t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n(\mathbf{B}_{\Delta t} - \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\Delta}),$$

is the unique zero mean solution in $(L^2(\Omega))^d$ to the **discrete corrector problem**:

$$(S_1 - I)\psi_{\Delta t} = -(\mathbf{B}_{\Delta t} - \bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\Delta}).$$

Theorem (Lyu, Wang, X, Zhang, '19)

For time-mixing Markovian volume preserving random flow \mathbf{b} , $\exists p \in (0, 1)$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2n\Delta t)^{-1} \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{X}_n^\omega - n\bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\Delta t}) \otimes (\mathbf{X}_n^\omega - n\bar{\mathbf{B}}_{\Delta t})] = D^E + o((\Delta t)^p).$$

Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

- Random Fourier representation:

$$\mathbf{b}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \sum_{m=1}^M [\mathbf{u}_m \cos(\mathbf{k}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{v}_m \sin(\mathbf{k}_m \cdot \mathbf{x})], \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

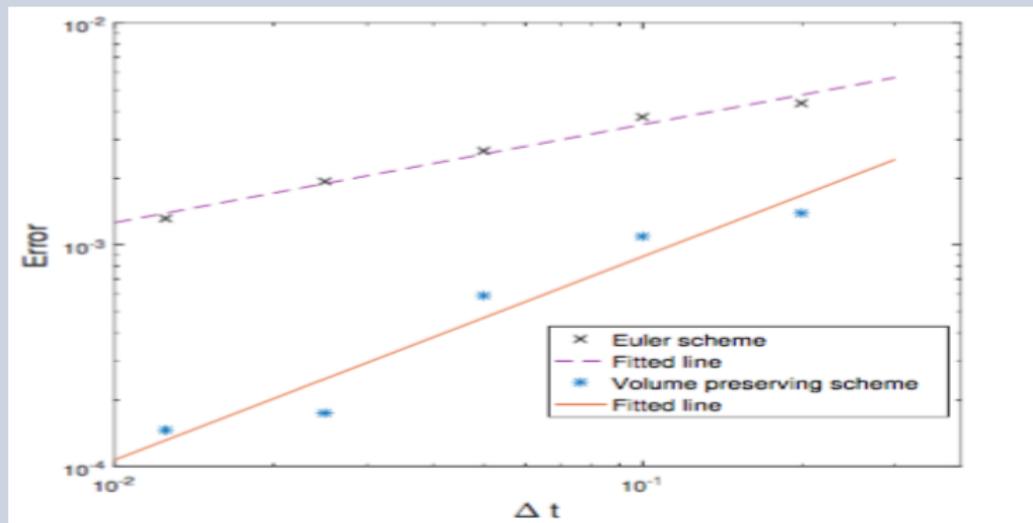
\mathbf{k}_m 's are independent with directions unif. distributed on unit sphere, lengths (r) in the interval $[0, K]$ with density $\propto r^{1-2\alpha}$, $\alpha \in (0.5, 1)$, to mimic energy spectrum of physical flows. K ultraviolet cut-off, $M = 100$, $K = 10$, $\alpha = 0.75$ in simulation.

- Time-Mixing Markovian: let $\xi_m(t)$, $\eta_m(t)$ be independent 3D random vectors with components being independent stationary OU process having covariance function $\exp\{-\theta|t_1 - t_2|\}$, $\theta > 0$.
- Volume Preserving:

$$\mathbf{u}_m = \xi_m(t) \times \mathbf{k}_m / |\mathbf{k}_m|, \quad \mathbf{v}_m = \eta_m(t) \times \mathbf{k}_m / |\mathbf{k}_m|.$$

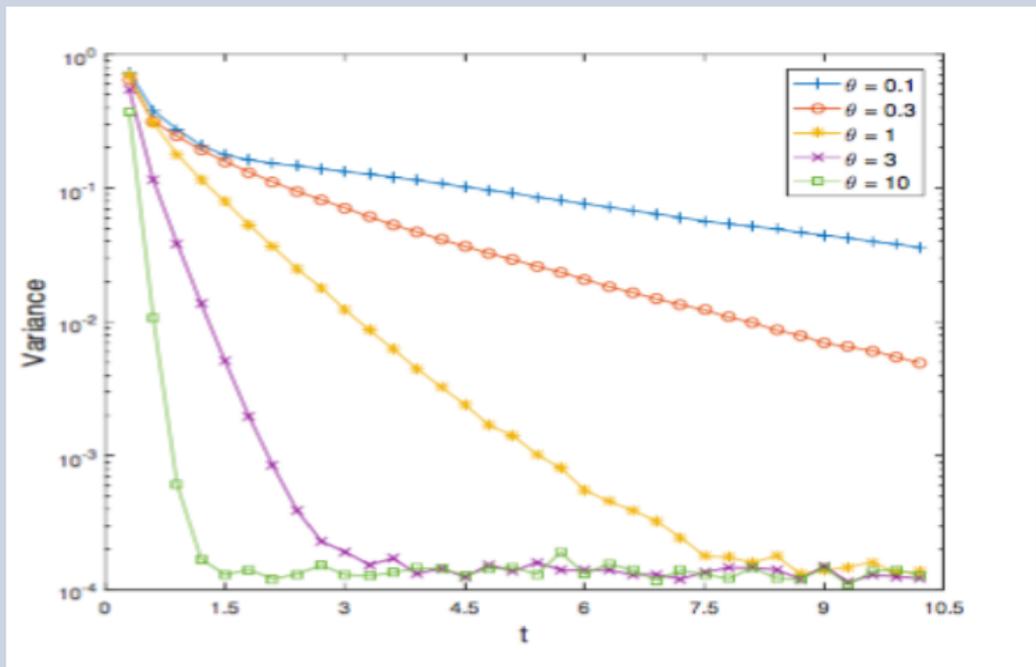
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- Reference solution: $\Delta t_{ref} = 0.003125$, $T = 40$, $\sigma = 0.1$, $\theta = 4$, with $N_{mc} = 100,000$ (no. of Monte-Carlo realizations), resulting in $D_{11}^E = 0.2266$. Comparison runs: $N_{mc} = 50,000$.
- Compare error ($O(\Delta t)^p$) in computing D_{11}^E : p of Euler scheme = 0.44, of volume preserving scheme = 0.86.



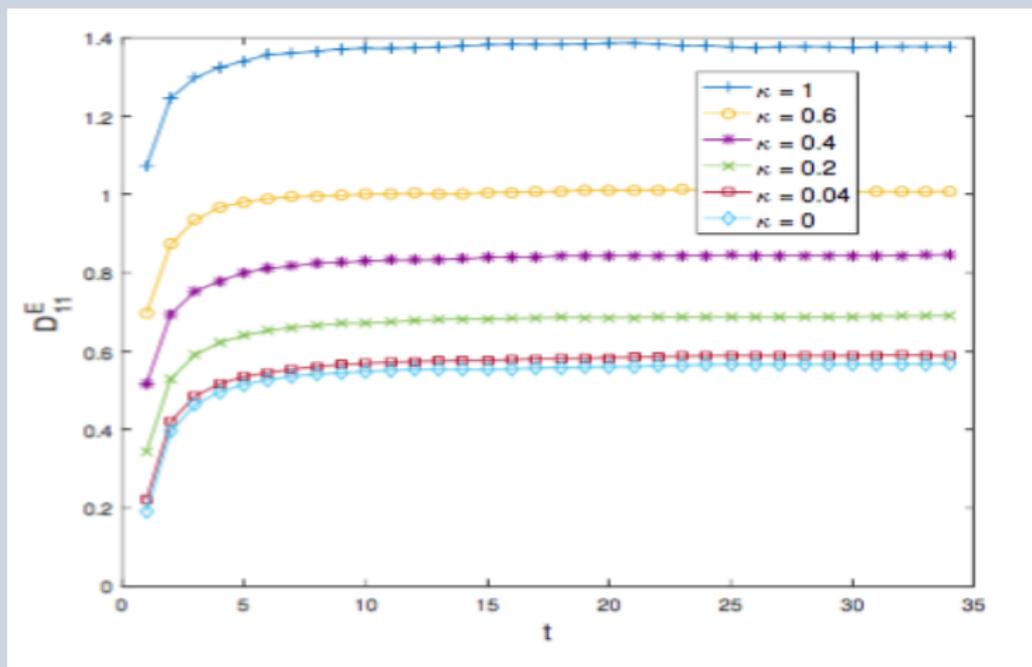
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Larger θ , less temporal correlation, faster decay of variance of D_{11}^E approximation in time.



Time-Mixing Markovian Volume Preserving Flows

Let $\kappa = \sigma^2/2$, $\theta = 1$, $\Delta t = 0.05$, observed convergence of $D_{11}^E(\kappa)$ to $D_{11}^E(0) > 0$ as κ approaches 0 (Fannjiang & Komorowski '99).



KPP Variational Formula in Stationary Ergodic Media

$$u_t = \kappa \Delta_x u + \mathbf{B}(t, x) \cdot \nabla_x u + u(1 - u), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

where \mathbf{B} is space-time stationary ergodic, mean zero, div-free. To calculate front speed c^* along direction \mathbf{e} , let w solve linear equation parameterized by $\lambda > 0$:

$$w_t = \mathcal{L}w := \kappa \Delta_x w + (2\kappa \lambda \mathbf{e} + \mathbf{B}) \cdot \nabla_x w + (1 + \kappa \lambda^2 + \lambda \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{B})w,$$

with $w(0, x) = 1$. Almost surely,

$$\mu(\lambda) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-1} \ln w$$

exists as [principal Lyapunov exponent](#), convex and superlinear in large λ .

$$c^*(\mathbf{e}) = \inf_{\lambda > 0} \frac{\mu(\lambda)}{\lambda}.$$

Space periodic media: Gärtner & Freidlin '79. Space-time periodic flow: Nolen, Rudd, X, '05. Space-time stationary ergodic flow: Nolen, X, '09.

Viscous HJ and Effective Hamiltonian

$v := \lambda \mathbf{e} \cdot x + \ln w$, a plane wave at large time, solves viscous HJ equation:

$$v_t = \kappa \Delta v + \kappa |\nabla v|^2 + \mathbf{B}(t, x) \cdot \nabla v + 1,$$

and $\mu(\lambda)$ is its **homogenized (effective) Hamiltonian**.

- Stochastic homogenization of viscous HJs (convex & uniformly coercive):
space: P-L Lions, Souganidis, '05; Kosygina, Rezakhanlou, Varadhan '06.

- space-time: Kosygina, Varadhan, '08; Schwab, '09.

KPP problem in space-time random \mathbf{B} (Nolen, X, '09): uniform coercivity relaxed to a finite 2nd moment condition (allowing unbounded \mathbf{B}).

- Prior KPP Computations based on **Linearized Corrector (w) Equation**:

- 1) space-time stationary ergodic ($d = 2$), semi-Lagrangian (Nolen, X, '08).

- 2) adaptive FEM (Shen, X, Zhou, '13): 3D steady periodic flows, ABC flow & maximal speed enhancement.

- 3) residual speed in time-periodic mixing cellular flow ($d = 2$):

edge-averaged FEM w. algebraic multigrid acceleration (Zu, Chen, X, '15).

Lagrangian Approximation in Space-Time Periodic Media

- Write $\mathcal{L} = L + M = \text{Markovian} + \text{Potential}$,

$$M \cdot := c(t, x) \cdot = (1 + \kappa \lambda^2 + \lambda \mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \cdot$$

Feymann-Kac formula gives:

$$\mu = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-1} \ln \left(\mathbb{E} \exp \left\{ \int_0^t c(t-s, \mathbf{X}_s^{t,x}) ds \right\} \right),$$

$$d\mathbf{X}_s^{t,x} = \mathbf{B}(t-s, \mathbf{X}_s^{t,x}) ds + \sigma d\mathbf{W}_s, \quad \mathbf{X}_0^{t,x} = \mathbf{x}.$$

- Direct approximation of this formula is challenging, as the main contribution to \mathbb{E} comes from sample paths that visit maximal points of time-dependent potential c .

Lagrangian Approximation in Space-Time Periodic Media

- An alternative is to study a “normalized version”, the Feymann-Kac semi-group:

$$\Phi_t^c(\nu)(\phi) := \frac{\mathbb{E}[\phi(\mathbf{X}_t^{t,x}) \exp\{\int_0^t c(t-s, \mathbf{X}_s^{t,x}) ds\}]}{\mathbb{E}[\exp\{\int_0^t c(t-s, \mathbf{X}_s^{t,x}) ds\}]} := \frac{P_t^c(\nu)(\phi)}{P_t^c(\nu)(\mathbf{1})},$$

acting on any initial probability measure ν , converges weakly to an invariant measure ν_c as $t \rightarrow \infty$, for any test function ϕ . Moreover,

$$P_t^c(\nu_c) = \exp\{\mu t\} \nu_c.$$

- Discretize $\mathbf{X}_s^{t,x}$ as $\mathbf{X}_i^{\Delta t}$, approximate the evolution of probability measure $\Phi_t^c(\nu)$ by a particle system, and use resampling technique to reduce variance.

Lagrangian Approximation in Space-Time Periodic Media

- Let

$$P_n^{c,\Delta t}(\nu)(\phi) := \mathbb{E} \left[\phi(\mathbf{X}_i^{\Delta t}) \exp \left\{ \Delta t \sum_{i=1}^n c((n-i)\Delta t, \mathbf{X}_i^{\Delta t}) \right\} \right]$$

- As $n \rightarrow \infty$, the discrete semi-group

$$\Phi_n^{c,\Delta t}(\nu)(\phi) = \frac{P_n^{c,\Delta t}(\nu)(\phi)}{P_n^{c,\Delta t}(\nu)(1)} \rightarrow \int_D \phi d\nu_{c,\Delta t}, \quad \forall \text{ smooth } \phi,$$

D is the space-time periodic cell, $\nu_{c,\Delta t}$ is invariant measure.

Theorem (Lyu, Wang, X, Zhang, '20)

There exists $p \in (0, 1)$ so that:

$$\mu_{\Delta t} := \frac{1}{\Delta t} \ln[P_1^{c,\Delta t}(\nu_{c,\Delta t})(1)] = \mu + o((\Delta t)^p).$$

Genetic Algorithm

- Initialize first generation of N particles $\xi_1^0 = (\xi_1^{0,1}, \dots, \xi_1^{0,N}) \in (\mathbb{T}^d)^N$, unif. distributed over \mathbb{T}^d ($d \geq 2$). Let g be the generation no. in approximating $\nu_{c, \Delta t}$. Each generation moves and replicates m -times, with a life span T (time period), time step $\Delta t = T/m$.

for $g = 1 : G - 1$

for $j = 0 : m - 1$

$\eta_g^j \leftarrow$ one-step-advection-diffusion update on ξ_g^j

with fitness $F \leftarrow \exp\{c(T - j\Delta t, \xi_g^j) \Delta t\}$.

$E_{g,j} := \frac{1}{\Delta t} \ln$ (mean population fitness).

Normalize fitness to weight $\mathbf{p} := F / \text{SUM}(F)$.

$\xi_g^{j+1} \leftarrow$ resample η_g^j via multinomial distribution with weight \mathbf{p} .

end for

$\xi_{g+1}^0 \leftarrow \xi_g^m$, $E_g \leftarrow \text{mean}(E_{g,j})$ over j .

end for

- Output: approximate $\mu_{\Delta t} \leftarrow \text{mean}(E_g)$, and ξ_G^0 .

Genetic Algorithm

- Feymann-Kac (F-K) semigroup, particle method of its invariant measure and principal eigenvalue, are well-known in physics, large deviation, sequential/population/diffusion Monte Carlo.
- Ferré & Stoltz, '19: error estimates of discrete F-K and particle approximation in spatially periodic media.
- 3D time periodic Kolmogorov flow with large amplitude A :

$$\mathbf{B} = A(\sin(z + \sin(2\pi t)), \sin(x + \sin(2\pi t)), \sin(y + \sin(2\pi t))).$$

- By scaling property of D^E and computed exponent,

$$D^E(A) = A D^E(A^{-1}) = O(A^{1.2}).$$

- Scaling analysis of front speed linear growth rate:

$$\text{LGR} := c^*(A)/A \approx \sqrt{D^E(A)/A} = O(A^{-0.4}),$$

suggesting sublinear (sub-maximal) growth law: $c^*(A) = O(A^{0.6})$.

Submaximal Growth of $c^*(A)$ ($A \gg 1$) in K flow

- $G = 150$, $N = 800,000$, $\kappa = 3$, $\Delta t = 2^{-7} = 0.0078$, Euler on $\mathbf{X}^{\Delta t}$.

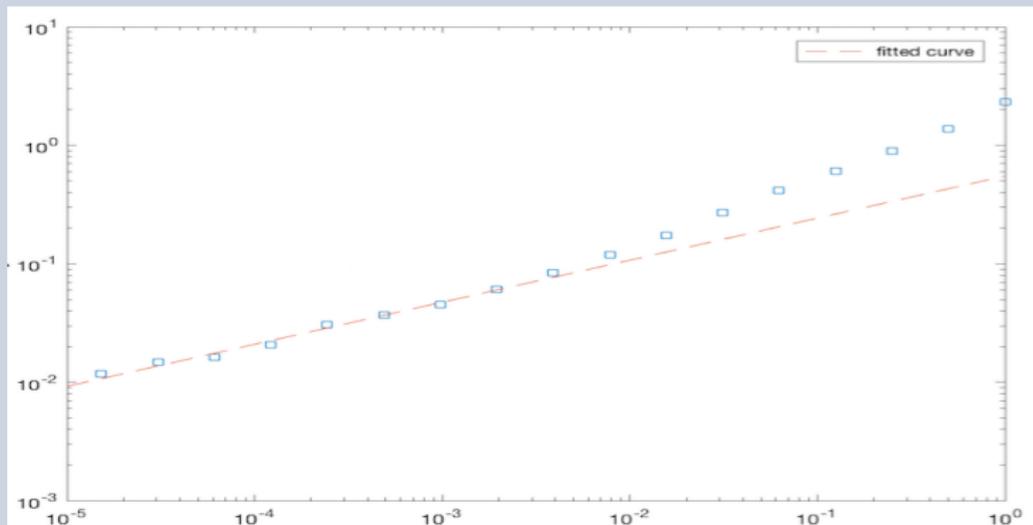


Figure: Linear growth rate ($LGR=c^*(A)/A$) vs. A^{-1} .

- Computed $LGR = O(A^{-0.35}) \rightarrow c^*(A) = O(A^{0.65})$.

Conclusions and Future Work

- Developed Lagrangian methods and their approximation theory for computing effective diffusivity and front speed in high dimensional volume preserving chaotic/stochastic flows.
- Explored discrete corrector approximations of continuous PDE corrector problems via volume-preserving schemes / genetic particle evolution algorithm.
- Enhanced diffusivity in chaotic flows shows a myriad of scalings near small molecular diffusivity, and poses interesting open problems for analysis.
- Ongoing work: genetic algorithm for KPP fronts in random media.
- Future work: 1) generate adaptive initial measure to speed up genetic computation with deep learning tools, 2) transport in rough flows.