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May 8

Chairman: Gyula Pap

08:30-09:10 Mu-Fa Chen (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

What is known about stability rate?

09:10-09:50 Charline Smadi (Irstea de Clermont-Ferrand, France)

Asymptotic behaviour of exponential functionals of Levy processes with applications to random processes in random environment

09:50-10:20 Tea break

Chairman: Matt Roberts

10:20-11:00 Gyula Pap (University of Szeged, Hungary)

Asymptotic properties of maximum likelihood estimator for the growth rate of an α -stable CIR process

11:00-11:40 Chunhua Ma (Nankai University, PRC)

A note on transition densities and coupling for CBI processes

Chairman: Matyas Barczy

14:30-15:10 Julien Berestycki (Oxford University, UK)

Critical branching Brownian motion with absorption

15:10-15:50 Adrain Gonzalez-Casanova (WIAS-Berlin, Germany)

Branching processes with interactions, and their relation to population genetics

15:50-16:20 Tea break

Chairman: Julien Berestycki

16:20-17:00 Matyas Barczy (University of Debrecen, Hungary)

Asymptotic properties of maximum likelihood estimator for the growth rate for a jump-type CIR process

17:00-17:40 Hongyan Sun (China University of Geosciences, PRC)

Large deviation principle for critical branching random walk with small drift

May 9

Chairman: Jiao Ying

08:30-09:10 Leonid Mytnik (Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Israel)

On the zero set of super-Brownian motion

09:10-09:50 Simon Harris (University of Bath, UK)

Branching Brownian motion and the Ebert-Van Saarloos expansion

09:50-10:20 Tea break

Chairman: Leonid Mytnik

10:20-11:00 Ying Jiao (Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1, France)

Alpha-CIR model with branching processes in sovereign interest rate modelling

11:00-11:40 Peisen Li (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

A continuous-state polynomial branching process

Chairman: Minmin Wang

14:30-15:10 Thomas Duquesne (Université Paris VI, France)

Decomposition of Lévy trees along their diameter

15:10-15:50 Clement Foucart (Institut Galilée Université Paris 13, France)

Continuous-state branching processes, extremal processes and superindividuals

15:50-16:20 Tea break

Chairman: Thomas Duquesne

16:20-17:00 Minmin Wang (University of Bath, UK)

Continuum inhomogeneous random graphs: Construction and fractal dimensions

17:00-17:40 Samuel Johnston (University of Bath, UK)

The Coalescent Structure of Continuous-Time Galton-Watson trees

May 10

Chairman: Juan Carlos Pardo

08:30-09:10 Jie Xiong (University of Macau, Macau)

A branching particle system approximation for a class of FBSDEs

09:10-09:50 Junping Li (Central South University, PRC)

Ergodicity properties of 2-parameter Markov collision processes with resurrection

09:50-10:20 Tea break

Chairman: Jie Xiong

10:20-11:00 Juan Carlos Pardo (CIMAT, Mexico)

Extinction time for continuous state branching processes with competition in a Lévy random environment

11:00-11:40 Ting Yang (University of Bath, UK)

Spine decomposition and $L \log L$ criterion for superprocesses with non-local branching mechanisms

Chairman: Li Wang

14:30-15:10 Xiaowen Zhou (University of Concordia, Canada)

A continuous state nonlinear branching process

15:10-15:50 Marcel Ortgiese (University of Bath, UK)

Interfaces in the symbiotic branching model

15:50-16:20 Tea break

Chairman: Xiaowen Zhou

16:20-17:00 Li Wang (Beijing University of Chemical Technology, PRC)

Branching Brownian Motion with catalytic branching at the origin

17:00-17:20 Lina Ji (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

Moments of continuous-state branching processes with or without immigration

17:20-17:40 Qi Sun (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

Harmonic moments and large deviations for supercritical branching processes with immigration

May 11

Chairman: Hui He

08:30-09:10 Andreas Kyprianou (University of Bath, UK)

The mass of super-Brownian motion upon exiting balls and Sheu's compact support condition

09:10-09:50 Leif Döring (University of Mannheim, Germany)

Scaling the Symbiotic Branching Model

09:50-10:20 Tea break

Chairman: Andreas Kyprianou

10:20-11:00 Hui He (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

Gromov-Hausdorff-Prokhorov convergence of vertex cut-trees of n-leaf Galton-Watson trees

11:00-11:40 Meijuan Zhang (Central University of Finance and Economics, PRC)

The speed of a branching system of (L,1) random walks in random environment

Chairman: Mei Zhang

14:30-15:10 Yonghua Mao (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

Stationarity and quasi-stationarity for birth-death processes

15:10-15:50 Xinxin Chen (Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1, France)

Large deviation of empirical distribution of branching random walk (I):

Schröder case

15:50-16:20 Tea break

Chairman: Yonghua Mao

16:20-17:00 Mei Zhang (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

Some convergence results related to a stable branching random walk

17:00-17:40 Dorottya Fekete (University of Bath, UK)

 $Skeletal\ stochastic\ differential\ equations\ for\ continuous\mbox{-}state\ branching\ process$

May 12

Chairman: Yanxia Ren

08:30-09:10 Dayue Chen (Peking University, PRC)

The favorite sites of subdiffusive biased walks on a Galton-Watson tree

09:10-09:50 Matt Roberts (University of Bath, UK)

Branching random walk in Pareto random environment

09:50-10:20 Tea break

Chairman: Dayue Chen

10:20-11:00 Yanxia Ren (Peking University, PRC)

The non-degenerate limit for supercritical superprocesses

11:00-11:40 Gabriel Berzunza (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany)

The stable Lévy forest is the scaling limit of multitype Galton-Watson forests

Chairman: Zenghu Li

14:30-15:10 Wenning Hong (Beijing Normal University, PRC)

On the transience and recurrence for the Lamperti's random walk on Galton-Watson trees

15:10-15:50 Sandra Palau (University of Bath, UK)

Continuous state branching processes with immigration in random environment

CUTOFFS FOR 1-DIM VARIABLE SPEED RANDOM WALKS

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Abstract: In statistical physics, the Bouchaud trap model (BTM, for short) is one useful mechanics in describing the dynamics of spin-glasses, of which scaling limit is widely studied with brilliant conclusions. In this talk, we consider a variant of one-dimensional BTM and discuss its cutoff. This work is joint with Takashi Kumagai.

ASYMPTOTIC BEHAVIOR FOR A LONG-RANGE DOMANY-KINZEL MODEL

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Abstract: We consider a long-range Domany-Kinzel model. In this model, for every site (i,j) in a two-dimensional lattice there is a directed bond present from site (i,j) to (i+1,j) with probability one. There are also m+1 directed bonds present from (i,j) to (i-k,j+1), k=-1,0,...,m-1 with respective probabilities p_{k+1} where m is any positive integer. Given any m>0, Let $\tau_m(M,N)$ be the probability that there is at least one connected-directed path of occupied edges from (0,0) to (M,N). In this talk I present that for each aspect ratio $\alpha=M/N$, there is an $\alpha_{m,c}=\frac{\sum_{k=1}^m q_k q_{k+1}^2 \cdots q_m^{m-k+1} - (m-1)}{1-q_0q_1\cdots q_m}$ such that as $N\to\infty$, $\tau(M,N)$ is 1, 0 and 1/2 for $\alpha>\alpha_c$, $\alpha<\alpha_c$ and $\alpha=\alpha_c$, respectively. I also present the rate of convergence of $\tau_m(M,N)$ and the asymptotic behavior of $\tau_m(M_N^-,N)$ and $\tau_m(M_N^+,N)$ where $M_N^-/N \uparrow \alpha_c$ and $M_N^+/N \downarrow \alpha_c$ as $N\uparrow\infty$. In particular, let $m\to\infty$ and $p_n=p/(n+a)^s$ for some a,p>0 and $n\geq 0$. Let $\tau(M,N)=\lim_{m\to\infty}\tau_m(N,M)$. I also discuss the rate of convergence of $\tau(M,N)$ and the asymptotic behavior of $\tau(M_N^-,N)$ and $\tau(M_N^+,N)$ depending on s>0 where $M_N^-/N \uparrow \alpha_c$ and $M_N^+/N \downarrow \alpha_c$ as $N\uparrow\infty$. This is a joint work with Shu-Chiuan Chang.

ON A TIME-DEPENDENT EGGENBERGER-PÓLYA URN MODEL

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Abstract: The Eggenberger-Pólya urn model had been studied for a long time and there are several generalizations and applications in the literature. In this talk, we first review some generalized Eggenberger-Pólya urn models. Then we introduce a generalized Pólya-Eggenberger urn model proposed by Pemantle (1990). In his model, assume that the colors of balls in the urn are white and red and that the balls are added into urns are time dependent. We extend Pemantle's model and then discuss the limiting behavior of the sequence of the proportions of the white balls.

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Abstract: We will give a two-sided estimate for Dirichlet heat kernel on a horn-shaped domain, which usually does not have a uniform $C^{1,1}$ characteristics. This talk is based on a joint work with Panki Kim and Jian Wang.

long brownian bridges in hyperbolic spaces converge to brownian trees

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Abstract: We consider the long Brownian bridge started from the origin in hyperbolic space H^d and show that its range, after being suitably renormalised, converges in law to a Brownian continuum tree in the sense of Gromov-Hausdorff. The rough idea of the proof will be talked about, by presenting the convergence, obtained by Bougerol and Jeulin [1], of the radial part; the invariance property of re-rooting and the hyperbolicity property. The similar idea will be applied to obtain the local convergence of the infinite Brownian loop in hyperbolic space.

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time fractional equations and probabilistic representation

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Abstract: Time-fractional diffusion equation can be used to model the anomalous diffusions exhibiting subdiffusive behavior, due to particle sticking and trapping phenomena. In this talk, I will discuss general fractional-time derivatives and probabilistic representation of solutions of the corresponding parabolic equations in terms of the corresponding inverse subordinators with or without drifts. An explicit relation between occupation measure for Markov processes time-changed by inverse subordinator in open sets and that of the original Markov process in the open set will also be given.

explicit convergence rates for sub-geometric ergodic markov processes under subordination

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KEY WORDS: rate of convergence, subordination, Bernstein function, moment estimate.

MATHEMATICAL SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION: 60J25, 60J05

Abstract: We are concerned with three types of convergence rates (sub-exponential, polynomial and logarithmic) of a subordinate Markov process to its invariant measure. It turns out that the classical continuous time subordination in the sense of Bochner can dramatically change the speed of convergence to equilibrium. Analogous results will also be presented for discrete time Markov chains under discrete time subordination in the sense of Bendikov and Saloff-Coste (Math. Nachr., 2012).

limiting behavior of stationary measures for stochastic evolution systems

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Abstract: The limiting behavior of stochastic evolution processes with small noise intensity ϵ is investigated in distribution-based approach. Let μ^{ϵ} be stationary measure for stochastic process X^{ϵ} with small ϵ and X^0 be a semiflow on a Polish space. Assume that $\{\mu^{\epsilon}: 0<\epsilon<\epsilon_0\}$ is tight. Then all their weak *-limits are X^0 -invariant and their supports are contained in Birkhoff center of X^0 . Applications are made to various stochastic evolution systems, including stochastic partial differential equations, stochastic functional differential equations, stochastic ordinary differential equations driven by Brownian motion or Lévy process, as well as stochastic approximation with constant step.

diversity indexes

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Abstract: The diversity index of a population is a number that measures the number of types of individuals and how evenly distributed these individuals are among these types. It is a function of the discrete distribution of various types in the population. This talk surveys several diversity indexes in communication, economics, ecology, and population genetics. When the discrete distribution is random, the index becomes a random variable that serves as statistical estimators for various quantities. Asymptotic results will be presented for a particular diversity index, the homozygosity.

stochastic theory of nonequilibrium thermodynamics

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Abstract: Nonequilibrium thermodynamics and statistical physics in terms of stochastic models entered a stage of vigorous development since 1970s, which well fit the development of advanced

experimental techniques in modern physical chemistry and biochemistry. I will discuss our recent stochastic approaches to investigate the nonequilibrium thermodynamics. We show that the entropy production rate can be decomposed into the housekeeping heat and the decreasing rate of relative entropy, both of which are nonnegative, followed by a more stronger version of Clausius inequality. We further proved that in the macroscopic limit by merely allowing the molecular numbers to infinite, a generalized macroscopic free energy and its balance equation emerge in chemical reaction systems. The balance equation is valid generally in isothermal driven systems. A general fluctuation dissipation theorem for stochastic reaction kinetics is also proved. Such an emergent "law" is independent of underlying kinetic details. The mathematical theory illustrates how a novel macroscopic dynamic law can emerge from the mesoscopic kinetics in a multi-scale system.

a probability criterion for zero-sum stochastic games

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KEY WORDS: Zero-sum game, discrete-time Markov chain, probability criterion, first passage time, a pair of optimal policies.

MATHEMATICAL SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION: 90C40, 93E20

Abstract: In this paper we introduce a probability criterion for two-person zero-sum stochastic games, and focus on the probability that the payoff before the first passage time to some target state set exceeds a level formulated by both players, which shows the security for player 1, and the risk for player 2. For the game model based on discrete-time Markov chains, under a suitable condition on the game's primitive data, we establish the Shapley equation, from which the existence of the value of the game and a pair of optimal policies with the maximum security for player 1 and the minimum risk for player 2 is ensured. We also provide a recursive way of computing (or at least approximating) the value of the game. At last, the application of our main result is exhibited via an inventory system.

the coalescence problem in branching processes and its applications

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KEY WORDS: branching processes, coalescence, line of descent, multitype, Bellman-Harris, Galton-Watson, branching random walks

MATHEMATICAL SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION: 60J80

Abstract: A branching process is a Markov process which has been commonly used to describe the evolution of a population in various research fields such as genealogy, physics, ecology, epidemiology, finance, etc. One way to investigate the population is to look forward to its future. But, when a population grows so old, it is always interesting to know what happened to it in the past. The coalescence problem provides a way to understand the structure of the population and the ancestry of the individuals in it.

Here, we will consider branching processes with different settings and, in each process, We pick two individuals from those who are alive at the current time by simple random sampling without replacement and trace their lines of descent backward in time till they meet for the first time. We call the common ancestor of these chosen individuals at the coalescent time their most recent common ancestor. The coalescence problem is to investigate the limit behaviors of some characteristics of this most recent common ancestor such as its death time and its generation number. Moreover, we will also apply the results from the coalescence problem to branching random walks.

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itô stochastic differential equations driven by fractional brownian motions of hurst parameter h > 1/2

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Abstract: This talk will present a result on existence and uniqueness of solution of Itô type stochastic differential equation $dx(t) = b(t, x(t))dt + \sigma(t, x(t))dB(t)$, where B(t) is a fractional Brownian motion of Hurst parameter H > 1/2 and dB(t) is the Itô differential defined by using Wick product or divergence operator. The coefficients b and σ are random and anticipative. Using the relationship between the Itô and pathwise integrals we first write the equation as a stochastic differential equation involving pathwise integral plus a Malliavin derivative term. To handle this Malliavin derivative term the equation is then further reduced to a system of characteristic equations without Malliavin derivative, which is then solved by a careful analysis of Picard iteration, with a new technique to replace the Gronwall lemma which is no longer applicable. The solution of this system of characteristic equations is then applied to solve the original Itô stochastic differential equation up to a positive random time. In special linear and quasilinear cases the global solutions are proved to exist uniquely.

points of infinite multiplicity of a planar brownian motion

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Abstract: The talk is based on a joint work with Elie Aïdékon and Zhan Shi.

It is well-known (see Dvoretzky, Erdős and Kakutani (1958) and Le Gall (1987)) that a planar Brownian motion has points of infinite multiplicity, and these points form a dense set on the range. Our main result is the construction of a family of random measures, denoted by $\{\mathcal{M}_{\infty}^{\alpha}\}_{0<\alpha<2}$, that are supported by the set of the points of infinite multiplicity. We prove that for each $\alpha \in (0,2)$, the carrying dimension of $\mathcal{M}_{\infty}^{\alpha}$ equals $2-\alpha$, and $\mathcal{M}_{\infty}^{\alpha}$ is supported by the thick points defined in Bass, Burdzy and Koshnevisan (1994) as well as that defined in Dembo, Peres, Rosen and Zeitouni (2001).

hunt's hypothesis (h) for the sum of two independent lévy processes

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Abstract: Which Lévy processes satisfy Hunt's hypothesis (H) is a long-standing open problem in probabilistic potential theory. The study of this problem for one-dimensional Lévy processes suggests us to consider (H) from the point of view of the sum of Lévy processes. In this paper, we present theorems and examples on the validity of (H) for the sum of two independent Lévy processes. We also give a novel condition on the Lévy measure which implies (H) for a large class of one-dimensional Lévy processes. This talk is based on a joint paper with Wei Sun.

distances between random orthogonal matrices and independent normals

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Abstract: We study the distance between Haar-orthogonal matrices and independent normal random variables. The distance is measured by the total variation distance, the Kullback-Leibler distance, the Hellinger distance and the Euclidean distance. They appear different features. Optimal rates are obtained. This is a joint work with Yutao Ma.

dynamics of multivariate default system in random environment

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Abstract: We consider a multivariate default system where random environmental information is available. We study the dynamics of the system in a general setting of enlargement of filtrations and adopt the point of view of change of probability measures. We also make a link with the density approach in the credit risk modelling. Finally, we present a martingale characterization

result with respect to the observable information filtration on the market. This is a joint work with Nicole El Karoui and Monique Jeanblanc.

Intrinsic ultracontractivity of symmetric jump processes on unbounded domains

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Abstract: In this talk, we consider a symmetric pure-jump Markov process on Euclidean space generated by a non-local Dirichlet form with jumping kernel J(x,y). We first discuss sufficient conditions for the compactness and the intrinsic ultracontractivity of the Dirichlet Markov semigroup on D when D is an unbounded open set. When D is the horn-shaped domain, we will discuss sharp criterion for the intrinsical ultracontractivity and the sharp estimates of the ground state.

This is a joint work with Xin Chen (Shanghai Jiao Tong University) and Jian Wang (Fujian Normal University).

heat kernel estimates for time fractional equations

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Abstract: In this talk, we first discuss existence and uniqueness of weak solutions to general time fractional equations and give their probabilistic representation. We then talk about sharp two-sided estimates for fundamental solutions of general time fractional equations in metric measure spaces.

sharp vertical littlewood–paley inequalities for heat flows in weighted l^2 spaces

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Abstract: We establish estimates on vertical Littlewood–Paley square functions for heat flows in the weighted L^2 space under the Riemannian curvature-dimension condition $\mathrm{RCD}^*(0,N)$ with $N \in [1,\infty)$, which are sharp on the growth of the 2-heat weight and the 2-Muckenhoupt weight considered. The p-heat weight and the p-Muckenhoupt weight are also compared for all $p \in (1,\infty)$. The results can also be established on a large class of sub-Riemannian manifolds sastisfying the generalized curvature-dimension condition in the sense of Baudoin–Garofalo.

The $m^x/m/c$ queue with catastrophes and state-dependent control at idle time

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KEY WORDS: Markovian bulk-arriving queues, equilibrium distribution, recurrence, queue size, effective catastrophe.

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Abstract: In this paper, we consider an $M^X/M/c$ queue with catastrophes and state-dependent control at idle time. Properties of the queue which terminate at idle are firstly studied. Recurrence and equilibrium properties are studied for the case of resurrection and no catastrophes. All of these results and the first effective catastrophe occurrence time are then investigated for the case of resurrection and catastrophes. In particular, we obtain the Laplace transform of the transition probability for the absorbing $M^X/M/c$ queue.

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harnack inequalities and w-entropy on riemannian manifolds with super ricci flows

Abstract: In this talk, I will present some recent results on the study of the Harnack inequalities and W-entropy on Riemannian manifolds with various curvature-dimension conditions and super Ricci flows. Joint work with Songzi Li.

limit theorems for supercritical mbpre with linear fractional offspring distributions

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Abstract: We investigate the limit behaviors of supercritical multitype branching processes in random environment with linear fractional offspring distributions. There exists a phase transition in the behaviors of the process affected by strongly and intermediately supercritical regimes. Some conditional limit theorems can also be obtained from the representation of generating functions.

harmonic moments and lower large deviations for a supercritical branching process in a random environment

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Abstract: Let $(Z_n)_{n\geq 0}$ be a supercritical branching process in an independent and identically distributed random environment $\xi=(\xi_n)_{n\geq 0}$. We study the asymptotic behavior of the harmonic moments $\mathbb{E}[Z_n^{-r}|Z_0=k]$ of order r>0 as $n\to\infty$, when the process starts with k initial individuals. We exhibit a phase transition with the critical value $r_k>0$ determined by the equation $\mathbb{E}p_1^k(\xi_0)=\mathbb{E}m_0^{-r_k}$, where $m_0=\sum_{j=0}^\infty jp_j(\xi_0),\ (p_j(\xi_0))_{j\geq 0}$ being the offspring distribution given the environment ξ_0 . Contrary to the constant environment case (the Galton-Watson case), this critical value is different from that for the existence of the harmonic moments of $W=\lim_{n\to\infty} Z_n/\mathbb{E}(Z_n|\xi)$. The aforementioned phase transition is linked to that for the rate function of the lower large deviation for Z_n . As an application, we obtain a lower large deviation result for Z_n under weaker conditions than in previous works and give a new expression of the rate function, and improve an earlier result about the convergence rate in the central limit theorem for $W-W_n$.

bounds on the augmented truncation approximations of invariant measures for markov chains

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Abstract: In this talk, we report some results about the augmented truncation approximations of invariant measures for Markov chains. Specifically, suppose that P is a positive recurrent infinite transition matrix with invariant distribution π and $(n)\tilde{P}$ is a truncated and arbitrarily augmented stochastic matrix with invariant distribution $(n)\pi$. We derive computable truncation

bounds on ${}_{(n)}\pi - \pi$ with respect to a suitable vector norm from three aspects: the Poisson's equation, residual matrix and ergodicity coefficients. The arguments are mainly based on the technique of perturbation analysis. We give a comparison of these bounds, and we also compare our results with the ones in Tweedie (1998). Moreover, we consider the extension of the results to continuous-time Markov chains.

This is based on the joint work with Li Wendi.

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SRB measures for infinite dimensional dynamical systems

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Abstract: This talk contains three parts: (1) the existence of SRB measures and their properties for infinite dimensional dynamical systems; (2) The existence of strange attractors with SRB measures for parabolic PDEs undergoing Hopf bifurcations driven by a periodic forcing with applications to the Brusselator; (3) Positive entropy implying the existence of horseshoes for infinite dimensional dynamical systems. This is based on joint works with Wen Huang, Zeng Lian, Qiudong Wang, and Lai-Sang Young.

continuous-state branching processes, extremal processes and super-individuals

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Abstract: The long-term behaviors of flows of continuous-state branching processes are characterized through subordinators and extremal processes. The extremal processes arise in the case of supercritical processes with infinite mean and of subcritical processes with infinite variation. The jumps of these extremal processes are interpreted as specific initial individuals whose progenies overwhelm the population. These individuals, which correspond to the records of a certain Poisson point process embedded in the flow, are called super-individuals. They radically increase the growth rate to $+\infty$ in the supercritical case, and slow down the rate of extinction in the subcritical one. This is a joint work with Clément Foucart.

quasi-stationary distributions for one-dimensional minimal diffusion processes

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Abstract: We prove that there exits a unique quasi-stationary distribution (QSD) for the minimal diffusion process with 0 entrance boundary and infinity exit/ regular boundary. We also

prove the unique QSD attracts all the initial distributions and obtain a spectral representation for the QSD.

directed polymer in random environment with spatial correlation

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Abstract: We consider the limit behavior of partition function of directed polymers in random environment represented by linear model instead of a family of i.i.d. variables in 1+1 dimensions. Under the assumption that the correlation decays algebraically, using the method developed in [Ann. Probab., 42(3): 1212-1256, 2014], under a new scaling we show the scaled partition function as a process defined on $[0,1] \times \mathbf{R}$, converges weakly to the solution to some stochastic heat equations driven by fractional Brownian field. The Hurst parameter is determined by the correlation exponent of the random environment. Here multiple Itô integral with respect to fractional Gaussian field and spectral representation of stationary process are heavily involved.

Spine decomposition and $l\log l$ criterion for superprocesses with non-local branching mechanism

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Abstract: In this talk, I will describe a pathwise spine decomposition for superprocesses with both local and non-local branching mechanisms under a martingale change of measure. This result complements the related results obtained in Evans (1993), Kyprianou et al. (2012) and Liu, Ren and Song (2009) for superprocesses with purely local branching mechanisms and in Chen, Ren and Song (2016) and Kyprianou and Palau (2016) for multitype superprocesses. As an application of this decomposition, we obtain necessary/sufficient conditions for the limit of the fundamental martingale to be non-degenerate. In particular, we obtain extinction properties of superprocesses with non-local branching mechanisms as well as a Kesten-Stigum LlogL theorem for the fundamental martingale.

The talk is based on a joint work with Renning Song and Ting Yang.

absolutely continuous solutions for continuity equations in hilbert spaces

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Abstract: This is a joint work with Giuseppe Da Prato.

We prove existence and uniqueness of solutions to continuity equation in a separable Hilbert space. We look for solutions which are absolutely continuous with respect to a reference measure γ which is the invariant measure of a reaction-diffusion equation. We exploit that the gradient operator D_x is closable with respect to $L^p(H;\gamma)$ and a recent formula for the commutator

 $D_x P_t - P_t D_x$ where P_t is the transition semigroup corresponding to the reaction-diffusion equation, [DaDe14]. We stress that P_t is not necessarily symmetric. Our paper is an extension of [DaFlRo14] where γ was the invariant measure of a suitable Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process.

recent progress on self-normalized cramer type moderate deviations

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Abstract: The Cramér type moderate deviation quantifies accuracy of the relative error of distributional approximation and can provide a theoretical justification for the use of limiting tail probability. In this talk we shall review recent progress on Cramér type moderate deviation for self-normalized sums of independent random variables, self-normalized martingales and self-normalized quantile estimator.

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Abstract: Let $X = \{X_t\}$ be a supercritical superprocesses in a space E. Let $\lambda_0 > 0$ be the first eigenvalue of the mean semigroup of X and let ϕ_0 be a positive eigenfunction corresponding to λ_0 . Then $M_t := e^{-\lambda_0 t} \langle \phi_0, X_t \rangle$ is a nonnegative martingale. Let $M_\infty := \lim_{t \to \infty} M_t$. It is known that M_∞ is nondegenerate iff the $L \log L$ condition is satisfied. In this talk I will present some recent result in the case when the $L \log L$ condition is not satisfied. We prove that there is a non-trivial family of backward iterates γ_t and a non-degenerate random variable W such that for any $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_F(E)$,

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \gamma_t \langle \phi_0, X_t \rangle = W, \quad \text{a.s.-} \mathbf{P}_{\mu}.$$

We also give the almost limit of $\gamma_t \langle f, X_t \rangle$ for general test function f.

on purely discontinuous additive functionals of subordinate brownian motion

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Abstract: Let $A_t = \sum_{s \leq t} F(X_{s-}, X_s)$ be a purely discontinuous additive functional of a subordinate Brownian motion $X = (X_t, \mathbf{P}_x)$. In this talk I will describe a sufficient condition on the non-negative function F that guarantees that finiteness of A_{∞} implies finiteness of its expectation. This result is then applied to study the relative entropy of \mathbf{P}_x and the probability measure induced by a purely discontinuous Girsanov transform of the process X. These results are proved under the weak global scaling condition on the Laplace exponent of the underlying subordinator.

heat kernel estimates and boundary harnack principle for truncated fractional laplacian with gradient operator

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Abstract: We consider the following type of non-local operator with gradient perturbation

$$\mathcal{L}^b := \overline{\Delta}^{\alpha/2} + b(x)\nabla f(x),$$

where $\alpha \in (1,2)$ and $b \in K_d^{\alpha-1}$. The operator \mathcal{L}^b can be viewed as the operator $\Delta^{\alpha/2} + b(x) \nabla f(x)$ with large jumps more than 1 removed. A strong Markov process X^b with transition density function $q^b(t,x,y)$ associated with \mathcal{L}^b is established and the two-sided estimates of $q^b(t,x,y)$ in R^d is given for $t \in (0,1)$. Moreover, when b is a bounded function, the estimates are sharp. Furthermore, we establish the boundary Harnack principle for the process X^b with $b \in K_d^{\alpha-1}$ in Lipschitz open sets under some mild conditions. Especially, when b is a bounded function, the boundary Harnack principle for X^b holds in open sets satisfying some condition.

asymptotic properties of regime-switching stochastic damping hamiltonian systems

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Abstract: This work focuses on a class of stochastic Hamiltonian systems with both damping and continuous-state-dependent switching. First, for a special Markovian switching case, the existence of a globally weak solution is constructed by making using of the martingale approach. Next, for the general state-dependent switching case, the existence of a globally weak solution is established by virtue of the Radon-Nikodym derivative method. Then, strong Feller property is proved by the killing technique and the Radon-Nikodym derivative method with a truncation argument. Based on these results, exponential ergodicity is obtained under the Foster-Lyapunov drift condition. Finally, some examples are presented for illustration.

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normal approximation for statistics of gibbsian input in geometric probability

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Abstract: We consider the asymptotic behaviour of a random variable W_{λ} resulting from the summation of the functionals of a Gibbsian spatial point process over windows $Q_{\lambda} \to R^d$, where Q_{λ} is a window with volume λ . We establish conditions ensuring that W_{λ} has volume order fluctuations, i.e. they coincide with the fluctuations of functionals of Poisson spatial point processes. We combine this result with Stein's method to deduce rates of a normal approximation for W_{λ} as $\lambda \to \infty$. Our general results establish variance asymptotics and central limit theorems for statistics of random geometric and related Euclidean graphs on Gibbsian input. We also establish a similar limit theory for claim sizes of insurance models with Gibbsian input, the number of maximal points of a Gibbsian sample, and the size of spatial birth-growth models with Gibbsian input. This is a joint work with J. E. Yukich.

ergodicity of stochastic differential equations with jumps and singular coefficients

Abstract: We show the strong well-posedness of SDEs driven by general multiplicative Lévy noises with Sobolev diffusion and jump coefficients and integrable drift. Moreover, we also study the strong Feller property, irreducibility as well as the exponential ergodicity of the corresponding semigroup when the coefficients are time-independent and singular dissipative. In particular, the large jump is allowed in the equation. This is a joint work with Xicheng Zhang.

convergence rate of stable law: stein's method approach

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Abstract: Stein's method was first put forward by Charles Chen in 1970s to prove Berry-Esseen bound of central limit theorem, and later extended by Louis Chen to study Poisson approximation. In the past 50 years, the convergence rate of stable law was studied from time to time by many probabilists, but all their approaches were from characteristic function.

We shall apply Stein's method to prove a general inequality about stable law of i.i.d. heavy tailed random sequence, from which one can derive a convergence rate $n^{-\frac{2-\alpha}{\alpha}}$ with $\alpha>1$. This rate seems better than the known results in literatures, we conjecture that the optimal convergence rate of stable law is $n^{-\frac{2-\alpha}{\alpha}}$ rather than $n^{-1/\alpha}$. The main ingredient of our analysis is to study Kolmogorov backward equation of OU stable process and use basic heat kernel estimates of stable processes.

PARAMETER ESTIMATION FOR THE LINEAR SELF-INTERACTING DIFFUSION DRIVEN BY A FBM

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Abstract: Let B^H be a fractional Brownian motion with Hurst index $\frac{1}{2} \leq H < 1$. In this talk, we discuss parameter estimation for the linear self-interacting diffusion

$$X_{t}^{H} = B_{t}^{H} - \theta \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{s} (X_{s}^{H} - X_{u}^{H}) du ds + \nu t,$$

with $X_0^H=0$, where $\theta,\nu\in\mathbb{R}$ are two unknown parameters. The process is an analogue of the linear self-interacting diffusion (Durrett and Rogers, *Prob. Theory Rel. Fields* **92** (1992), 337-349, and Cranston-Le Jan, *Math. Ann.* **303** (1995), 87-93.). Under the continuous observation, we study the estimation of θ and ν by using the least squares method, and obtain the consistencies and asymptotic distributions of the two estimators. In particular, when $\theta>0$ we also give the estimators of θ and ν by using the moment method which are easily implementable.

SWITCHING DIFFUSIONS WITH PAST-DEPENDENT AND COUNTABLE SWITCHING

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Abstract: In this talk, we study a class of switching diffusions consisting of a continuous component and a discrete component. We consider the case that the switching process takes values in a countable set and the associate operator could be past dependent. We study recurrence, ergodicity, and stability of the system. This is a joint work with Dang Nguyen.

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INVARIANT MEASURES FOR STOCHASTIC FUNCTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH MARKOVIAN SWITCHING

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Abstract: In this talk, the existence and uniqueness of invariant measures for stochastic functional differential equations with Markovian switching and their time discretizations have been discussed. Under certain ergodic conditions, we show that the these equations enjoy a unique invariant probability measure and converge exponentially to its equilibrium under the Wasserstein distance. Also, we demonstrate that the time discretization of these equations admit a unique invariant probability measure and share the corresponding ergodic property when the stepsize is sufficiently small. During this procedure, the difficulty arose from the time-discretization of continuous time Markov chain has to be deal with, for which an estimate on its exponential functional is presented.

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JUMP TYPE STOCHASTIC DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH NON-LIPSCHITZ COEFFICIENTS AND FELLER AND STRONG FELLER PROPERTIES

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