



# Stochastic (Backward) Differential Equation with constraint in law

(aka Mean-Reflected (B)SDEs)

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 A Stochastic Backward Excursion with Ying Hu 

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- Introduced by Briand, Elie, Hu  (Backward system), Considered in the same time by Jabir (forward) with different motivations/approach/results, Extension in the backward case by Djehiche, Elie, Hamadène.



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Works for any continuous path,  $y$  may be a B.M.



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(Carmona-Delarue / Jabir ) “curve is below the tangent”

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↳ relies on “bi-Lipschitz” property + partial  $C^2$  regularity of  $H$

+ control of the second order term in Itô - measure expansion

(Chassagneux-Crisan-Delarue)  $\rightsquigarrow$  **concavity of  $H$  OR boundedness of  $\sigma$**



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$$\partial_t \mu_t = \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 ([\sigma \sigma^* + \sigma_1 \sigma_1^*] \mu_t) + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t b) + \operatorname{div}(\partial_\mu H(\mu_t) \mu_t) dK_t \\ + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t \sigma_1 dW_t)$$

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## Constrained in conditional law SDE : generalization

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$$\partial_t \mu_t = \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 ([\sigma \sigma^* + \sigma_1 \sigma_1^*] \mu_t) + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t b) + \operatorname{div}(\partial_\mu H(\mu_t) \mu_t) dK_t \\ + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t \sigma_1 dW_t)$$

$$H(\mu_t) \geq 0 \quad \int_0^t H(\mu_s) dK_s = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

- $K$  is no longer deterministic. Associated SDE:

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t b(s, X_s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t \sigma_1(s, X_s) dW_s \\ + \int_0^t \partial_\mu H([X_s | W])(X_s) dK_s,$$

$$H([X_t | W]) \geq 0, \quad \int_0^t H([X_s | W]) dK_s = 0, \quad t \geq 0.$$



## Constrained in conditional law SDE with common noise

- Back to PDE pb: Skorokhod problem on **stochastic** fokker-planck

$$\partial_t \mu_t = \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 ([\sigma \sigma^* + \sigma_1 \sigma_1^*] \mu_t) + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t b) + \operatorname{div}(\partial_\mu H(\mu_t) \mu_t) dK_t \\ + \operatorname{div}(\mu_t \sigma_1 dW_t)$$

$$H(\mu_t) \geq 0 \quad \int_0^t H(\mu_s) dK_s = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

- $K$  is no longer deterministic. Associated SDE:

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t b(s, X_s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t \sigma_1(s, X_s) dW_s \\ + \int_0^t \partial_\mu H([X_s | W])(X_s) dK_s,$$

$$H([X_t | W]) \geq 0, \quad \int_0^t H([X_s | W]) dK_s = 0, \quad t \geq 0.$$

- Associated MF system:

$$X_t^i = X_0^i + \int_0^t b(s, X_s^i) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s^i) dB_s^i + \int_0^t \sigma_1(s, X_s^i) dW_s + \int_0^t \partial_\mu H(\mu_s^N)(X_s^i) dK_s^N,$$

$$\mu_t^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{X_t^i}, \quad H(\mu_t^N) \geq 0, \quad \int_0^t H(\mu_s^N) dK_s^N = 0, \quad t \geq 0.$$



## ☰ Constrained in law SDE: resume

- measurable in time and Lipschitz in space coefficients (could be Wasserstein w.r.t. a law argument)
- constraints of the form  $H(\mu) \geq 0 + H$  "bi-Lipschitz" (locally)  
↳ one dimensional case and constraint of scalar type ( $\exists!$ ) and MF counterpart ( $\exists!$  + convergence  $\rightsquigarrow$  numerical scheme)
- $+ H$  partially  $C^2 + H$  is concave OR  $\sigma$  is bounded  
↳ normal reflection, any dimension ( $\exists!$ ) and MF counterpart ( $\exists!$  + convergence  $\rightsquigarrow$  numerical scheme) + Neumann PDE on Wasserstein space ( $\exists$  in viscosity sense + Feynman-Kak formulae)
- $+ H$  is fully  $C^2$   
↳ reflection in conditional law ( $\exists!$ ) and MF counterpart with common noise + Stochastic Neumann PDE (Feynman-Kak formulae)

What about constrained in law **backward** SDE ?

- "same assumptions give same results" (up to common noise)  
↳ **Warning:** works for  $H$  concave + fully  $C^2$  ( $\sigma$  bounded  $\rightsquigarrow Z$  bounded)  
↳ **Warning:** convergence of MF counterpart requires  $Z$  bounded in  $\mathbb{L}_p$ ,  $p > 4$   $\rightsquigarrow$  requires regularity  
↳ **Warning:** Associated PDE is not Neumann: driver independent of  $Z$   $\rightsquigarrow \exists$  viscosity solution to obstacle problem on Wasserstein space + Feynman-Kak formulae for decoupling field

**Thank you!**