

# Rough paths methods 3: Second order structures

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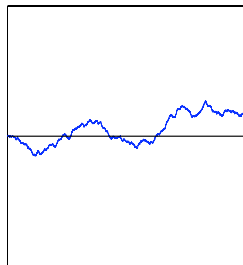
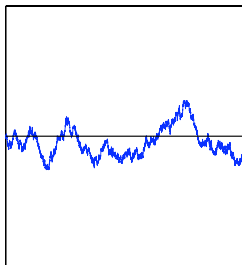
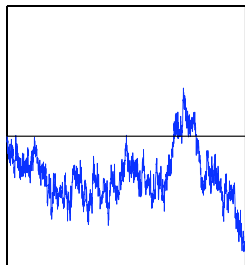
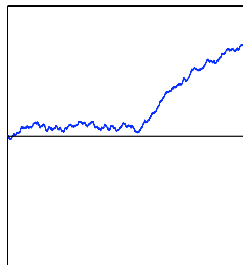
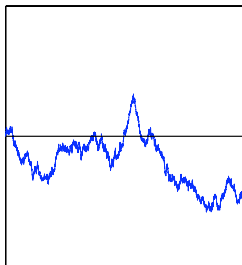
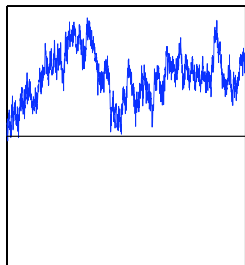
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# Examples of fBm paths



$H = 0.3$

$H = 0.5$

$H = 0.7$

# General strategy

**Aim:** Define and solve an equation of the type:

$$y_t = a + \int_0^t \sigma(y_s) dB_s, \text{ where } B \text{ is fBm.}$$

**Properties of fBm:**

Generally speaking, take advantage of two aspects of fBm:

- Gaussianity
- Regularity

**Remark:** For  $1/3 < H < 1/2$ , Young integral isn't sufficient

**Levy area:** We shall see that the following exists:

$$\mathbf{B}_{st}^{2,ij} = \int_s^t dB_u^i \int_s^u dB_v^j \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\gamma} \text{ for } \gamma < H$$

**Strategy:** Given  $B$  and  $\mathbf{B}^2$  solve the equation in a pathwise manner

# Pathwise strategy

**Aim:** For  $x \in C_1^\gamma$  con  $1/3 < \gamma < 1/2$ , define and solve an equation of the type:

$$y_t = a + \int_0^t \sigma(y_u) dx_u \quad (1)$$

## Main steps:

- Define an integral  $\int z_s dx_s$  for  $z$ : function whose increments are controlled by those of  $x$
- Solve (1) by fixed point arguments in the class of controlled processes

## Remark:

Like in the previous chapters, we treat a real case and  $b \equiv 0$  for notational sake.

Caution:  $d$ -dimensional case really different here, because of  $\mathbf{x}^2$

# Heuristics (1)

## Hypothesis:

Solution  $y_t$  exists in a space  $C_1^\gamma([0, T])$

A priori decomposition for  $y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\delta y_{st} &\equiv y_t - y_s = \int_s^t \sigma(y_v) dx_v \\ &= \sigma(y_s) \delta x_{st} + \int_s^t [\sigma(y_v) - \sigma(y_s)] dx_v \\ &= \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}\end{aligned}$$

Expected coefficients regularity:

$\zeta = \sigma(y)$ : bounded,  $\gamma$ -Hölder,

$r$ :  $2\gamma$ -Hölder

## Heuristics (2)

Start from controlled structure: Let  $z$  such that

$$\delta z_{st} = \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}, \quad \text{with } \zeta \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma, r \in \mathcal{C}^{2\gamma} \quad (2)$$

Formally:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_s^t z_v dx_v &= z_s \delta x_{st} + \int_s^t \delta z_{sv} dx_v \\ &= z_s \delta x_{st} + \zeta_s \int_s^t \delta x_{sv} dx_v + \int_s^t r_{sv} dx_v \\ &= z_s \delta x_{st} + \zeta_s \mathbf{x}_{st}^2 + \int_s^t r_{sv} dx_v \end{aligned}$$



# Heuristics (3)

Formally, we have seen:  $z$  satisfies

$$\int_s^t z_v dx_v = z_s \delta x_{st} + \zeta_s \mathbf{x}_{st}^2 + \int_s^t r_{sv} dx_v$$

Integral definition:

- $z_s \delta x_{st}$  trivially defined
- $\zeta_s \mathbf{x}_{st}^2$  well defined, if Levy area  $\mathbf{x}^2$  provided
- $\int_s^t r_{sv} dB_v$  defined through operator  $\Lambda$  if  $r \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\gamma}$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{C}_1^\gamma$  and  $3\gamma > 1$

Remark:

- We shall define  $\int_s^t z_v dx_v$  more rigorously
- Equation (1) solved within class of proc. with decomposition (2)

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# Controlled processes

## Definition 1.

Let

- $1/3 < \kappa \leq \gamma$
- $z \in \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa$

We say that  $z$  is a process controlled by  $x$ , if  $z_0 = a \in \mathbb{R}$ , and

$$\delta z = \zeta \delta x + r, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \delta z_{st} = \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}, \quad s, t \in [0, T], \quad (3)$$

with

- $\zeta \in \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa$
- $r$  is a remainder such that  $r \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}$

# Space of controlled processes

## Definition 2.

Space of controlled processes:

- Denoted by  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$
- $z \in \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$  should be considered as a couple  $(z, \zeta)$

Natural semi-norm on  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$ :

$$\mathcal{N}[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] = \mathcal{N}[z; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa] + \mathcal{N}[\zeta; \mathcal{C}_1^b] + \mathcal{N}[\zeta; \mathcal{C}_1^{\kappa}] + \mathcal{N}[r; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}]$$

with

- $\mathcal{N}[g; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa] = \|g\|_\kappa$
- $\mathcal{N}[\zeta; \mathcal{C}_1^b(V)] = \sup_{0 \leq s \leq T} |\zeta_s|_V$

# Operations on controlled processes

In order to solve equations, two preliminary steps:

- 1 Study of transformation  $z \mapsto \varphi(z)$  for
  - ▶ Controlled process  $z$
  - ▶ Smooth function  $\varphi$
- 2 Integrate controlled processes with respect to  $x$

# Composition of controlled processes

## Proposition 3.

Consider  $z \in \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}$ ,  $\varphi \in C_b^2$ . Define

$$\hat{z} = \varphi(z), \quad \hat{a} = \varphi(a).$$

Then  $\hat{z} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, \hat{a}}$ , and

$$\delta \hat{z} = \hat{\zeta} \delta x + \hat{r},$$

with

$$\hat{\zeta} = \nabla \varphi(z) \zeta \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{r} = \nabla \varphi(z) r + [\delta(\varphi(z)) - \nabla \varphi(z) \delta z].$$

Furthermore,  $\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, \hat{a}}] \leq c_{\varphi, T} (1 + \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}])$ .

# Proof

Algebraic part: Just write

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \hat{z}_{st} &= \varphi(z_t) - \varphi(z_s) \\ &= \nabla \varphi(z_s) \delta z_{st} + \varphi(z_t) - \varphi(z_s) - \nabla \varphi(z_s) \delta z_{st} \\ &= \nabla \varphi(z_s) \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + \nabla \varphi(z_s) r_{st} + \varphi(z_t) - \varphi(z_s) - \nabla \varphi(z_s) \delta z_{st} \\ &= \hat{\zeta}_s \delta x_{st} + \hat{r}_{st}\end{aligned}$$

## Proof (2)

Bound for  $\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, \hat{\alpha}}(\mathbb{R}^n)]$ , strategy: get bound on

- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa(\mathbb{R}^n)]$
- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{\zeta}; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa \mathcal{L}^{d,n}]$
- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{\zeta}; \mathcal{C}_1^b \mathcal{L}^{d,n}]$
- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{r}; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^n)]$

Decomposition for  $\hat{r}$ : We have

$$\hat{r} = \hat{r}^1 + \hat{r}^2$$

with

$$\hat{r}_{st}^1 = \nabla \varphi(z_s) r_{st} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{r}_{st}^2 = \varphi(z_t) - \varphi(z_s) - \nabla \varphi(z_s)(\delta z)_{st}. \quad (4)$$



## Proof (3)

Bound for  $\hat{r}^1$ :  $\nabla\varphi$  is a bounded  $\mathcal{L}^{k,n}$ -valued function. Therefore

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{r}^1; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^n)] \leq \|\nabla\varphi\|_\infty \mathcal{N}[r; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^k)]. \quad (5)$$

Bound for  $\hat{r}^2$ :

$$|\hat{r}_{st}^2| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla^2\varphi\|_\infty |(\delta z)_{st}|^2 \leq c_\varphi \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa(\mathbb{R}^k)] |t - s|^{2\kappa},$$

which yields

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{r}^2; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^n)] \leq c_\varphi \mathcal{N}^2[r; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^k)], \quad (6)$$

Bound for  $\hat{r}$ : Since  $\hat{r} = \hat{r}^1 + \hat{r}^2$ , we get from (5) and (6)

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{r}; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^n)] \leq c_\varphi (1 + \mathcal{N}^2[r; \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}(\mathbb{R}^k)])$$

# Proof (4)

Other estimates: We still have to bound

- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa(\mathbb{R}^n)]$
- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{\zeta}; \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa \mathcal{L}^{d,n}]$
- $\mathcal{N}[\hat{\zeta}; \mathcal{C}_1^b \mathcal{L}^{d,n}]$

Done in the same way as for  $\hat{r}$

Conclusion for the analytic part: We obtain

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, \hat{a}}] \leq c_{\varphi, T} \left( 1 + \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}] \right)$$

# Composition of controlled processes (ctd)

**Remark:** In previous proposition

- Quadratic bound instead of linear as in the Young case
- Due to Taylor expansions of order 2

**Next step:** Define  $\mathcal{J}(z dx)$  for a controlled process  $z$ :

- Start with smooth  $x, z$
- Try to recast  $\mathcal{J}(z dx)$  with expressions making sense for a controlled process  $z \in \mathcal{C}_1^\kappa$

# Integration of smooth controlled processes

## Hypothesis:

- $x, \zeta$  smooth functions,  $r$  smooth increment
- Smooth controlled process  $z \in \mathcal{Q}_{1,a}$ , namely  $\delta z_{st} = \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}$

Expression of the integral:  $\mathcal{J}(z dx)$  defined as Riemann integral and

$$\int_s^t z_u dx_u = z_s [x_t - x_s] + \int_s^t [z_u - z_s] dx_u$$

Otherwise stated:

$$\mathcal{J}(z dx) = z \delta x + \mathcal{J}(\delta z dx).$$

## Integration of smooth controlled processes (2)

Levy area shows up: if  $\delta z_{st} = \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}$ ,

$$\mathcal{J}(z dx) = z \delta x + \mathcal{J}(\zeta \delta x dx) + \mathcal{J}(r dx). \quad (7)$$

Transformation of  $\mathcal{J}(\zeta \delta x dx)$ :

$$\mathcal{J}_{st}(\zeta \delta x dx) = \int_s^t \zeta_s [\delta x_{su} dx_u] = \zeta_s \mathbf{x}_{st}^2$$

Plugging in (7) we get

$$\mathcal{J}(z dx) = z \delta x + \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \mathcal{J}(r dx)$$

Multidimensional case:

$$\int_s^t \zeta_s [\delta x_{su} dx_u] \longleftrightarrow \int_s^t \zeta_s^{ij} [\delta x_{su}^j dx_u^i] = \zeta_s^{ij} \mathbf{x}_{st}^{2,ji}$$

# Levy area

Recall:  $\mathcal{J}(z dx) = z \delta x + \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \mathcal{J}(r dx)$

$\hookrightarrow$  For  $\gamma < 1/2$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^2$  enters as an additional data

## Hypothesis 4.

Path  $x$  is  $\gamma$ -Hölder with  $\gamma > 1/3$ , and admits a Levy area, i.e

$\mathbf{x}^2 \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^{d,d})$ , formally defined as  $\mathbf{x}^2 = \mathcal{J}(dx dx)$ ,

and satisfying:

$$\delta \mathbf{x}^2 = \delta x \otimes \delta x, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \delta \mathbf{x}_{sut}^{2,ij} = \delta x_{su}^i \delta x_{ut}^j,$$

for any  $s, u, t \in \mathcal{S}_{3,T}$  and  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ .

# Levy area: particular cases

Levy area defined in following cases:

- 1  $x$  is a regular path  
↔ Levy area defined in the Riemann sense
- 2  $x$  is a fBm with  $H > \frac{1}{4}$   
↔ Levy area defined in the Stratonovich sense

# Integration of smooth controlled processes (3)

Analysis of  $\mathcal{J}(r dx)$ : we have seen

$$\mathcal{J}(r dx) = \mathcal{J}(z dx) - z \delta x - \zeta \mathbf{x}^2$$

Apply  $\delta$  on each side of the identity:

$$\begin{aligned} & [\delta(\mathcal{J}(r dx))]_{sut} \\ &= \delta z_{su} \delta x_{ut} + \delta \zeta_{su} \mathbf{x}_{ut}^2 - \zeta_s \delta \mathbf{x}_{sut}^2 \\ &= \zeta_s \delta x_{su} \delta x_{ut} + r_{su} \delta x_{ut} + \delta \zeta_{su} \mathbf{x}_{ut}^2 - \zeta_s \delta x_{su} \delta x_{ut} \\ &= r_{su} \delta x_{ut} + \delta \zeta_{su} \mathbf{x}_{ut}^2. \end{aligned}$$



# Integration of smooth controlled processes (4)

Recall: We have found

$$\delta(\mathcal{J}(r dx)) = r \delta x + \delta\zeta \mathbf{x}^2$$

Regularities: We have

- $r \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\kappa}$
- $\delta x \in \mathcal{C}_2^\gamma$
- $\delta\zeta \in \mathcal{C}_2^\kappa$
- $\mathbf{x}^2 \in \mathcal{C}_2^{2\gamma}$

Since  $\kappa + 2\gamma > 2\kappa + \gamma > 1$ ,  $\Lambda$  can be applied

Expression with  $\Lambda$ : We obtain

$$\delta(\mathcal{J}(r dx)) = r \delta x + \delta\zeta \mathbf{x}^2 \implies \mathcal{J}(r dx) = \Lambda(r \delta x + \delta\zeta \mathbf{x}^2)$$

# Integration of smooth controlled processes (5)

**Conclusion:** We have seen:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{J}(z dx) &= z \delta x + \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \mathcal{J}(r dx) \\ \mathcal{J}(r dx) &= \Lambda(r \delta x + \delta \zeta \mathbf{x}^2)\end{aligned}$$

Thus, if  $m, x$  are smooth paths:

$$\mathcal{J}(z dx) = z \delta x + \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \Lambda(r \delta x + \delta \zeta \mathbf{x}^2)$$

**Substantial gain:** This expression can be extended to irregular paths!

# Integration of controlled processes

## Theorem 5.

Let

- $x \in \mathcal{C}_1^\gamma$ , with  $1/3 < \kappa < \gamma$
- $x$  satisfies Hypothesis 4, with Levy area  $\mathbf{x}^2$
- $z \in \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,b}$ , with decomposition  $\delta z_{st} = \zeta_s \delta x_{st} + r_{st}$

Define  $\ell$  by  $z_0 = a \in \mathbb{R}$ , and

$$\delta \ell \equiv \mathcal{I}(z dx) = z \delta x + \zeta \cdot \mathbf{x}^2 + \Lambda(r \delta x + \delta \zeta \cdot \mathbf{x}^2).$$

Then

- 1  $\ell$  is an element of  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$
- 2  $\ell = \int z dx$  for smooth paths

# Proof

Item 1: We have

- $\delta \ell = \zeta^\ell \delta x + r^\ell$
- $\zeta^\ell = z$
- $r^\ell = \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \Lambda(r \delta x + \delta \zeta \mathbf{x}^2)$

Item 2:

Proved in preliminary computations

# Properties of the integral

## Proposition 6.

Let  $\ell$  be defined as in Theorem 5. Then on an interval  $[0, \tau]$ :

- 1 The semi-norm of  $\ell$  in  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}$  satisfies

$$\mathcal{N}[\ell; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}] \leq c_x (|a| + \tau^{\gamma - \kappa} \mathcal{N}[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa, a}])$$

- 2 We have

$$\mathcal{J}_{st}(z dx) = \lim_{|\pi_{st}| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=0}^n \left[ z_{t_i} \delta x_{t_i, t_{i+1}} + \zeta_{t_i} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{t_i, t_{i+1}}^2 \right]$$

# Proof

**Item 1:** Elementary computations using decomposition

- $\delta \ell = \zeta^\ell \delta \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}^\ell$
- $\zeta^\ell = \mathbf{z}$
- $\mathbf{r}^\ell = \zeta \mathbf{x}^2 + \Lambda(\mathbf{r} \delta \mathbf{x} + \delta \zeta \mathbf{x}^2)$

**Example of computation:** Bound for  $\zeta^\ell = \mathbf{z}$ . We have

$$|\delta \mathbf{z}_{st}| \leq \|\zeta\|_\infty \|\mathbf{x}\|_\gamma |t - s|^\gamma + \|\mathbf{r}\|_{2\gamma} |t - s|^{2\gamma}$$

Hence

$$\|\mathbf{z}\|_\kappa \leq \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} [\|\zeta\|_\infty \|\mathbf{x}\|_\gamma + \tau^\gamma \|\mathbf{r}\|_{2\gamma}] \leq c_x \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} \mathcal{N}[\mathbf{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}]$$

and

$$\|\mathbf{z}\|_\infty \leq |\mathbf{z}_0| + \tau^\kappa \|\mathbf{z}\|_\kappa \leq c_T (|a| + \mathcal{N}[\mathbf{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}])$$

## Proof (2)

**Recall:** Let  $g \in \mathcal{C}_2$ , such that  $\delta g \in \mathcal{C}_3^\mu$  with  $\mu > 1$ . Define

$$k = (\text{Id} - \Lambda\delta)g$$

Then

$$k_{st} = \lim_{|\Pi_{st}| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=0}^n g_{t_i t_{i+1}},$$

as  $|\Pi_{st}| \rightarrow 0$ , where  $\Pi_{st}$  is a partition of  $[s, t]$ .

## Proof (2)

**Item 2:** Let  $g = z\delta x + \zeta \cdot \mathbf{x}^2$ . Then

- $\delta g = - (r \delta x + \delta \zeta \cdot \mathbf{x}^2)$
- $\delta g \in \mathcal{C}_3^{3\kappa}$
- $\mathcal{J}(z dx) = (\text{Id} - \Lambda \delta)g$

Therefore

$$\mathcal{J}_{st}(z dx) = \lim_{|\Pi_{st}| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=0}^n g_{t_i t_{i+1}},$$

which yields Item 2



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# Pathwise strategy

**Hypothesis:**  $x$  is a function of  $\mathcal{C}_1^\gamma$  with  $1/3 < \gamma \leq 1/2$ .  
It admits a Levy area  $\mathbf{x}^2$

**Aim:** We wish to define and solve an equation of the form:

$$y_t = a + \int_0^t \sigma(y_s) dx_s \quad (8)$$

**Meaning of the equation:**  $y \in \mathcal{Q}_{a,\kappa}$ , and

$$\delta y = \mathcal{J}(\sigma(y) dx)$$

# Fixed point: strategy

## A map on a small interval:

Consider an interval  $[0, \tau]$ , with  $\tau$  to be determined later

Consider  $\kappa$  such that  $1/2 < \kappa < \gamma < 1$

In this interval, consider  $\Gamma : \mathcal{Q}_{a,\kappa}([0, \tau]) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{a,\kappa}([0, \tau])$  defined by:  
 $\Gamma(z) = \hat{z}$ , with  $\hat{z}_0 = a$ , and for  $s, t \in [0, \tau]$ :

$$\delta \hat{z}_{st} = \int_s^t \sigma(z_r) dx_r = \mathcal{I}_{st}(\sigma(z) dx)$$

**Aim:** See that for a small enough  $\tau$ , the map  $\Gamma$  is a contraction  
 $\hookrightarrow$  our equation admits a unique solution in  $\mathcal{C}_1^\kappa([0, \tau])$

**Remark:** Same kind of computations as in the Young case  
 $\hookrightarrow$  but requires more work (quadratic estimates, patching)!

# Existence-uniqueness theorem

## Theorem 7.

Let  $x \in \mathcal{C}_1^\gamma$ , with  $1/3 < \kappa < \gamma$  and Levy area  $\mathbf{x}^2$ .

Let  $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C_b^3$  function. Then

- 1 Equation  $\delta y = \mathcal{J}(\sigma(y) dx)$  admits a unique solution  $y$  in  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$  for any  $1/3 < \kappa < \gamma$ .
- 2 Application  $(a, x, \mathbf{x}^2) \mapsto y$  is continuous from  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{C}_1^\gamma \times \mathcal{C}_2^{2\gamma}$  to  $\mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}$ .

# Proof

**Bound on  $\Gamma$ :** Set  $\hat{z} = \Gamma(z)$  and  $\hat{a} = \sigma(a)$ .

Then according to Proposition 6,

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \leq c_x \left( |\hat{a}| + \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} \mathcal{N}[\sigma(z); \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,\hat{a}}] \right).$$

Now thanks to Proposition 3,

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \leq c_x \left[ |\hat{a}| + c_{\sigma,T} \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} \left( 1 + \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \right) \right],$$

and thus

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \leq c_{\sigma,x,T} \left( 1 + \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \right) \quad (9)$$

## Proof (2)

**Invariant set:** For  $\tau > 0$  set

$$\mathcal{A}_\tau = \left\{ u \in \mathbb{R}_+^* : c_{\sigma,x}(1 + \tau^{\gamma-\kappa} u^2) \leq u \right\}$$

Then

- 1 If  $\tau$  small enough,  $\mathcal{A}_\tau$  is non empty
- 2 In such case, consider  $M \in \mathcal{A}_\tau$

**Invariant ball:** For  $\tau_1$  small enough and  $M \in \mathcal{A}_{\tau_1}$ , we have

$$B(0, M) \subset \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a} \quad \text{left invariant by } \Gamma$$

**Contraction within  $B(0, M)$ :** Similar to Young case

$\hookrightarrow$  Gives existence-uniqueness on  $[0, \tau]$  with  $\tau = \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2$

# Proof (3)

## Patching small intervals:

On  $[\tau, \tau + \tau_1]$ , the key estimate is

$$\mathcal{N}[\hat{z}; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \leq c_X \left[ |\hat{a}| + c_{\sigma,T} \tau_1^{\gamma-\kappa} \left( 1 + \mathcal{N}^2[z; \mathcal{Q}_{\kappa,a}] \right) \right],$$

where now

$$\hat{a} = \sigma(y_\tau) \implies |\hat{a}| \leq \|\sigma\|_\infty$$

One can thus proceed as on  $[0, \tau]$

## Remark:

$\sigma$  with linear growth out of scope of rough paths theory

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# Lyons theory: Geometrical structures

**Lie algebra:** In general  $(1, \mathbf{X}^1, \dots, \mathbf{X}^n) \in \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}^d \oplus (\mathbb{R}^d)^n$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  Lie algebra structure and associated Lie group:  $G^n(\mathbb{R}^d)$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  Structures introduced by Chen in the '50s

**Rough path:**  $\gamma$ -Hölder function with values in  $G^n(\mathbb{R}^d)$

**Two important relations:**

- $(1, \mathbf{X}^1, \dots, \mathbf{X}^n)$  determines all the iterated integrals if  $n \geq \lfloor 1/\gamma \rfloor$
- Any element of  $G^n(\mathbb{R}^d)$  can be realized as iterated integrals of a smooth function

**Solving equations:** Two possibilities

- Show that  $(y, x)$  is a single rough path
- Approximations, due to the second important relation above

# Lyons theory vs. algebraic integration

## Advantages of Lyons' approach:

- Elegant formalism (mixing geometry, analysis, probability)
- Approximation in  $G^n(\mathbb{R}^d)$  yields powerful estimates:
  - ▶ Moments of solution to RDEs
  - ▶ Differential of RDEs

## Advantages of algebraic integration:

- Simpler formalism
- Controlled process can be adapted easily to many situations:
  - ▶ Evolution, Volterra, Delay equations
  - ▶ Integration in the plane, SPDEs, Regularity structures
- Some results are hard to express without controlled processes:  
↪ Norris type lemma

# Friz-Hairer's formalism

## A short comparison with Friz-Hairer:

- Friz-Hairer's formalism also based on controlled processes  
↔ Reference to Gubinelli's derivative
- The use of  $\delta, \Lambda$  is less explicit  
↔ In order to further simplify the theory
- Altogether, our presentation is very close to Friz-Hairer's book

# Regularity structures

## A brief summary of regularity structures:

Can be seen as a wide generalization of controlled rough paths

- Rough paths indexed by  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (instead of  $\mathbb{R}_+$ )
- Richer rough paths structure indexed by trees (instead of  $\mathbb{N}$ )
- Product of distributions
- Additional group structure for renormalizations
- Evaluation of singularities

## Typical example of equation related to regularity structures:

- Equation:  $\partial_t Y_t(\xi) = \Delta Y_t(\xi) + (\partial_\xi Y_t(\xi))^2 + \dot{x}_t(\xi) - \infty$
- $(t, \xi) \in [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}$
- $\dot{x} \equiv$  space-time white noise

# Outline

- 1 Heuristics
- 2 Controlled processes
- 3 Differential equations
- 4 Additional remarks**
  - Other rough paths formalisms
  - Higher order structures

# Rough path assumptions

Regularity of  $X$ :  $X \in \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $\gamma > 0$ .

Iterated integrals:  $X$  allows to define

$$\mathbf{X}_{st}^n(i_1, \dots, i_n) = \int_{s \leq u_1 < \dots < u_n \leq t} dX_{u_1}(i_1) dX_{u_2}(i_2) \cdots dX_{u_n}(i_n),$$

for  $0 \leq s < t \leq T$ ,  $n \leq \lfloor 1/\gamma \rfloor$  and  $i_1, \dots, i_n \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ .

Regularity of the iterated integrals:  $\mathbf{X}^n \in \mathcal{C}_2^{n\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^{d^n})$ , where

$$\mathcal{N}[g; \mathcal{C}_2^\kappa] \equiv \sup_{0 \leq s < t \leq T} \frac{|g_{st}|}{|t - s|^\kappa}$$

# Main rough paths result

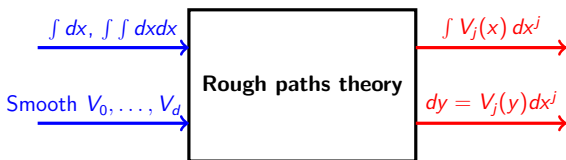
**Theorem (loose formulation):** Under the assumption of the previous slide, plus regularity assumptions on  $\sigma$ , one can

- 1 Obtain **change of variables formula** of Itô's type
- 2 **Solve equations** of the form  $dY_t = \sigma(Y_t)dX_t$

Moreover, the application

$$F : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{C}_2^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^d) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{C}_2^{n\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^{d^n}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^m)$$
$$(a, \mathbf{x}^1, \dots, \mathbf{x}^n) \mapsto Y$$

is a continuous map





# Meaning of the $n^{\text{th}}$ iterated integral

**Definition:** The  $n^{\text{th}}$  order iterated integral associated to  $X$  is an element  $\{\mathbf{X}_{st}^n(i_1, \dots, i_n); s \leq t, 1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_n \leq d\}$  satisfying:

- (i) The **regularity** condition  $\mathbf{X}^n \in \mathcal{C}_2^{n\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^{d^n})$ .
- (ii) The **multiplicative** property:

$$\delta \mathbf{X}_{sut}^n(i_1, \dots, i_n) = \sum_{n_1=1}^{n-1} \mathbf{X}_{su}^{n_1}(i_1, \dots, i_{n_1}) \mathbf{X}_{ut}^{n-n_1}(i_{n_1+1}, \dots, i_n).$$

- (iii) The **geometric** relation:  $\mathbf{X}_{st}^n(i_1, \dots, i_n) \mathbf{X}_{st}^m(j_1, \dots, j_m)$  can be expressed in terms of higher order integrals

**Remark:** The notion of controlled process is also more complicated for higher order rough paths.