

76. A Class of Purely Discontinuous Markov Processes with Interactions. I¹⁾

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1. Starting with Kac's model of Boltzmann equation,²⁾ McKean [5]-[7] introduced an interesting class of Markov processes with non-linear generators. These processes describe the motion of one particle under the interactions between infinite number of similar particles.³⁾

We construct a class of these processes by modifying the classical method of Feller [1]. The forward equation with possibly unbounded and temporally inhomogeneous equation is considered. Interactions can be infinitely multifold.

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2. First, we consider the simplest model with binary interactions. Let R be a locally compact space with countable bases and let $B(R)$ be the topological Borel field. The forward equation is

$$(1) \quad \frac{d}{dt} P^{(f)}(s, x, t, E) = \int_R P^{(f)}(s, x, t, dy) A^{(f)}(t, y, E),$$

$$-\infty \leq t_0 \leq s < t \leq t_1 \leq +\infty$$

$$P^{(f)}(s, x, t, E) \rightarrow \delta_x(E), \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow s,$$

where initial distribution f at time s and the solution $P^{(f)}(s, x, t, E)$ are substochastic measures, and

$$P_{s,t}^{(f)}(E) = \int_R f(dx) P^{(f)}(s, x, t, E).$$

Kernel $A^{(u)}$ indexed by a substochastic measure u , is

$$(2) \quad A^{(u)}(t, x, E) = \int_R u(dx_1) q(x_1 | t, x) (\pi^0(x_1 | t, x, E) - \delta_x(E)),$$

where $q(x_1 | t, x)$ is non-negative and majorized by another function $q(t, x)$ which is bounded on any compact (t, x) -set. $\pi^0(x_1 | t, x, E)$ is a probability measure with no mass at point x . $q(t, x)$, $q(x_1 | t, x)$ and $\pi^0(x_1 | t, x, E)$ are measurable in (t, x) and (x_1, t, x) , and continuous in t when other variables are fixed. Intuitively, $\pi^0(x_1 | t, x, E)$ indicates the

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2) Introduced by Kac [4] related with a justification of Boltzmann equation.

3) This explanation is justified by the "propagation of chaos" proposed by Kac. The reader can consult Kac [4] and McKean [5, 6].