

The Effect of Gaussian White Noise on Dynamical Systems

Part II: Reduced Dynamics

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General slow–fast systems

General slow–fast systems

Fully coupled SDEs on well-separated time scales

$$\begin{cases} dx_t = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} f(x_t, y_t) dt + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} F(x_t, y_t) dW_t & \text{(fast variables } \in \mathbb{R}^n) \\ dy_t = g(x_t, y_t) dt + \sigma' G(x_t, y_t) dW_t & \text{(slow variables } \in \mathbb{R}^m) \end{cases}$$

- ▷ $\{W_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ k -dimensional (standard) Brownian motion
- ▷ $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$
- ▷ $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, g : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ drift coefficients, $\in \mathcal{C}^2$
- ▷ $F : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}, G : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$ diffusion coefficients, $\in \mathcal{C}^1$

Small parameters

- ▷ $\varepsilon > 0$ adiabatic parameter (*no quasistatic* approach)
- ▷ $\sigma, \sigma' \geq 0$ noise intensities; may depend on ε :
 $\sigma = \sigma(\varepsilon), \sigma' = \sigma'(\varepsilon)$ and $\sigma'(\varepsilon)/\sigma(\varepsilon) = \varrho(\varepsilon) \leq 1$

Singular limits for deterministic slow–fast systems

In slow time t

$$\varepsilon \dot{x} = f(x, y)$$

$$\dot{y} = g(x, y)$$

 $t \mapsto s$


In fast time $s = t/\varepsilon$

$$x' = f(x, y)$$

$$y' = \varepsilon g(x, y)$$

 $\downarrow \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

Slow subsystem

$$0 = f(x, y)$$

$$\dot{y} = g(x, y)$$



Fast subsystem

$$x' = f(x, y)$$

$$y' = 0$$

 $\downarrow \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

Study slow variable y on slow manifold $f(x, y) = 0$

Study fast variable x for frozen slow variable y

Near slow manifolds: Assumptions on the fast variables

- ▶ Existence of a slow manifold $f(x, y) = 0$:

$$\exists \mathcal{D}_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^m \quad \exists x^* : \mathcal{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

s.t. $(x^*(y), y) \in \mathcal{D}$ and $f(x^*(y), y) = 0$ for $y \in \mathcal{D}_0$

- ▶ Slow manifold is attracting:

Eigenvalues of $A^*(y) := \partial_x f(x^*(y), y)$ satisfy $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i(y) \leq -a_0 < 0$
(uniformly in \mathcal{D}_0)

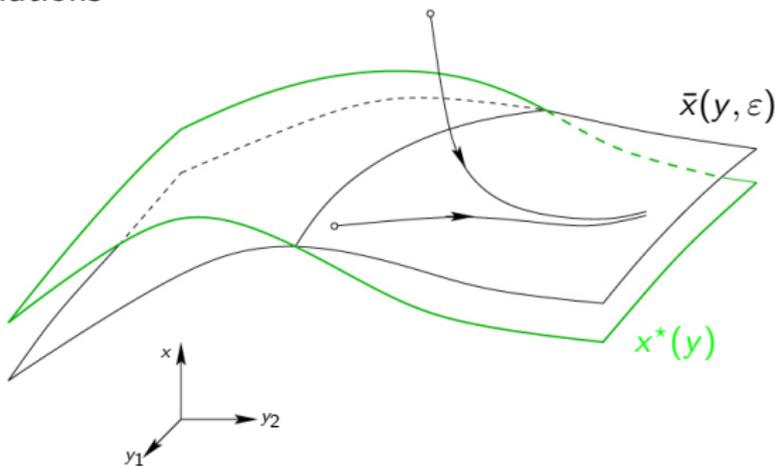
Fenichel's theorem

Theorem [Tihonov 1952, Fenichel 1979]

There exists an *adiabatic manifold*:

$\exists \bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)$ s.t.

- ▷ $\bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)$ is invariant manifold for deterministic dynamics
- ▷ $\bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)$ attracts nearby solutions
- ▷ $\bar{x}(y, 0) = x^*(y)$
- ▷ $\bar{x}(y, \varepsilon) = x^*(y) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$



Consider now *stochastic* system under these assumptions

Random slow–fast systems: **Slowly driven systems**

Typical neighbourhoods for the stochastic fast variable

Special case: One-dimensional slowly driven systems

$$dx_t = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} f(x_t, t) dt + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} dW_t, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Stable slow manifold / stable equilibrium branch $x^*(t)$:

$$f(x^*(t), t) = 0, \quad a^*(t) = \partial_x f(x^*(t), t) \leq -a_0 < 0$$

Linearize SDE for deviation $x_t - \bar{x}(t, \varepsilon)$ from adiabatic solution $\bar{x}(t, \varepsilon) \approx x^*(t)$

$$dz_t = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} a(t) z_t dt + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} dW_t$$

We can solve the non-autonomous SDE for z_t

$$z_t = z_0 e^{\alpha(t)/\varepsilon} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \int_0^t e^{\alpha(t,s)/\varepsilon} dW_s$$

where $\alpha(t) = \int_0^t a(s) ds$, $\alpha(t, s) = \alpha(t) - \alpha(s)$ and $a(t) = \partial_x f(\bar{x}(t, \varepsilon), t)$

Typical spreading

$$z_t = z_0 e^{\alpha(t)/\varepsilon} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \int_0^t e^{\alpha(t,s)/\varepsilon} dW_s$$

z_t is a Gaussian r.v. with variance

$$v(t) = \text{Var}(z_t) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\varepsilon} \int_0^t e^{2\alpha(t,s)/\varepsilon} ds \approx \frac{\sigma^2}{|a(t)|}$$

For any fixed time t , z_t has a typical spreading of $\sqrt{v(t)}$, and a standard estimate shows

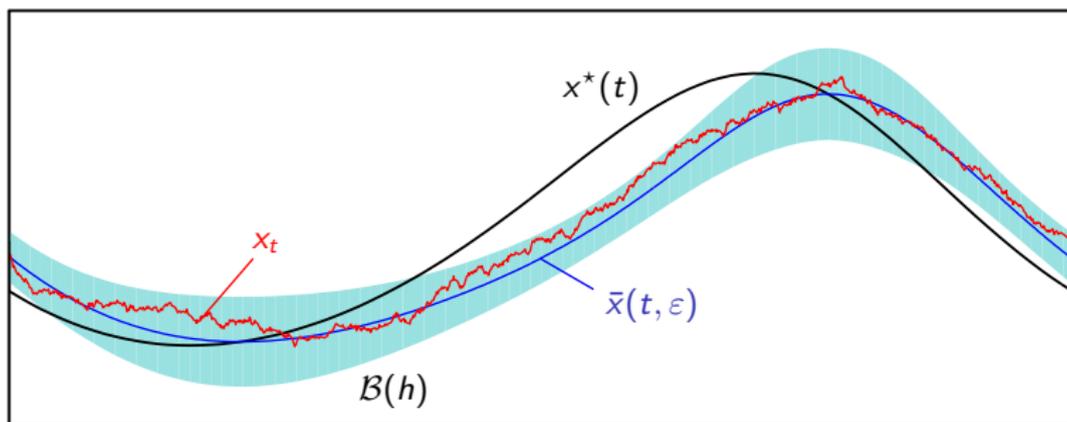
$$\mathbb{P}\{|z_t| \geq h\} \leq e^{-h^2/2v(t)}$$

Goal: Similar concentration result for the whole sample path

Define a strip $\mathcal{B}(h)$ around $\bar{x}(t, \varepsilon)$ of width $\simeq h/\sqrt{|a(t)|}$

$$\mathcal{B}(h) = \{(x, t) : |x - \bar{x}(t, \varepsilon)| < h/\sqrt{|a(t)|}\}$$

Concentration of sample paths



Theorem [Berglund & G 2002, 2006]

$$\mathbb{P}\{(x_s)_s \text{ leaves } \mathcal{B}(h) \text{ before time } t\} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left| \int_0^t a(s) ds \right| \frac{h}{\sigma} e^{-h^2[1-\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)-\mathcal{O}(h)]/2\sigma^2}$$

Fully coupled random slow–fast systems

Typical spreading in the general case

$$\begin{cases} dx_t = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} f(x_t, y_t) dt + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} F(x_t, y_t) dW_t & (\text{fast variables } \in \mathbb{R}^n) \\ dy_t = g(x_t, y_t) dt + \sigma' G(x_t, y_t) dW_t & (\text{slow variables } \in \mathbb{R}^m) \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Consider deterministic process $(x_t^{\text{det}} = \bar{x}(y_t^{\text{det}}, \varepsilon), y_t^{\text{det}})$ on adiabatic manifold
- ▶ Deviation $\xi_t := x_t - x_t^{\text{det}}$ of **fast** variables from adiabatic manifold
- ▶ Linearize SDE for ξ_t ; resulting process ξ_t^0 is Gaussian

Key observation

$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{Cov } \xi_t^0$ is a particular solution of the deterministic slow-fast system

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} \varepsilon \dot{X}(t) = A(y_t^{\text{det}})X(t) + X(t)A(y_t^{\text{det}})^T + F_0(y_t^{\text{det}})F_0(y_t^{\text{det}})^T \\ \dot{y}_t^{\text{det}} = g(\bar{x}(y_t^{\text{det}}, \varepsilon), y_t^{\text{det}}) \end{cases}$$

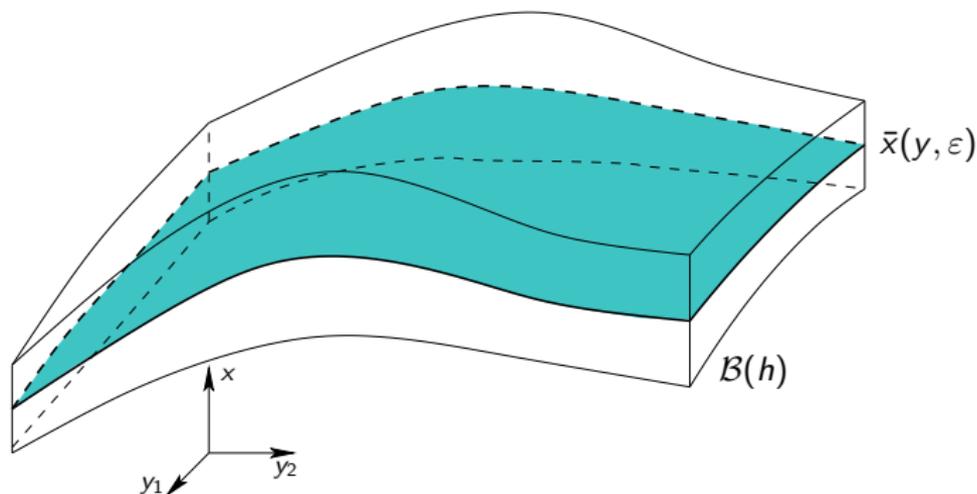
with $A(y) = \partial_x f(\bar{x}(y, \varepsilon), y)$ and F_0 0th-order approximation to F

Typical neighbourhoods in the general case

Typical neighbourhoods

$$\mathcal{B}(h) := \{(x, y) : \langle [x - \bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)], \bar{X}(y, \varepsilon)^{-1} [x - \bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)] \rangle < h^2\}$$

where $\bar{X}(y, \varepsilon)$ denotes the adiabatic manifold for the system (*)



Concentration of sample paths

Define (random) first-exit times

$$\tau_{\mathcal{B}(h)} := \inf\{s > 0: (x_s, y_s) \notin \mathcal{B}(h)\}$$

$$\tau_{\mathcal{D}_0} := \inf\{s > 0: y_s \notin \mathcal{D}_0\}$$

Theorem [Berglund & G 2003]

Assume $\|\bar{X}(y, \varepsilon)\|, \|\bar{X}(y, \varepsilon)^{-1}\|$ uniformly bounded in \mathcal{D}_0

Then $\exists \varepsilon_0 > 0 \quad \exists h_0 > 0 \quad \forall \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0 \quad \forall h \leq h_0$

$$\mathbb{P}\{\tau_{\mathcal{B}(h)} < \min(t, \tau_{\mathcal{D}_0})\} \leq C_{n,m}(t) \exp\left\{-\frac{h^2}{2\sigma^2} [1 - \mathcal{O}(h) - \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)]\right\}$$

where $C_{n,m}(t) = [C^m + h^{-n}] \left(1 + \frac{t}{\varepsilon^2}\right)$

Reduced dynamics

Reduction to adiabatic manifold $\bar{x}(y, \varepsilon)$:

$$dy_t^0 = g(\bar{x}(y_t^0, \varepsilon), y_t^0) dt + \sigma' G(\bar{x}(y_t^0, \varepsilon), y_t^0) dW_t$$

Theorem [Berglund & G 2006] (informal version)

y_t^0 approximates y_t to order $\sigma\sqrt{\varepsilon}$ up to Lyapunov time of $\dot{y}^{\text{det}} = g(\bar{x}(y^{\text{det}}, \varepsilon)y^{\text{det}})$

Remark

For $\frac{\sigma'}{\sigma} < \sqrt{\varepsilon}$, the deterministic reduced dynamics provides a better approximation

Longer time scales

Behaviour of g or behaviour of y_t and y_t^{det} becomes important

Example

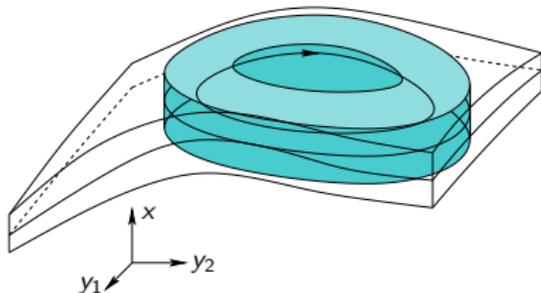
y_t^{det} following a stable periodic orbit

$$\triangleright y_t \sim y_t^{\text{det}} \text{ for } t \leq \frac{\text{const}}{\sigma \vee \varrho^2 \vee \varepsilon}$$

linear coupling $\rightarrow \varepsilon$

nonlinear coupling $\rightarrow \sigma$

noise acting on slow variable $\rightarrow \varrho$



- \triangleright On longer time scales: Markov property allows to restart y_t stays exponentially long in a neighbourhood of the periodic orbit (with probability close to 1)

The main idea of deterministic averaging

Which timescale should be studied?

Simple example

$$\dot{y}_s^\varepsilon = \varepsilon b(y_s^\varepsilon, \xi_s), \quad y_0^\varepsilon = y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

- ▷ $b : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
- ▷ $\xi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
- ▷ $0 \leq \varepsilon \ll 1$

If b is not increasing too fast then

$$y_s^\varepsilon \rightarrow y_s^0 \equiv y \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{uniformly on any finite time interval } [0, T]$$

Not the relevant timescale! ... need to look at time intervals of length $\geq 1/\varepsilon$

- ▷ Introduce **slow time** $t = \varepsilon s$
- ▷ Note that $t \in [0, T] \Leftrightarrow s \in [0, T/\varepsilon]$
- ▷ Rewrite equation

$$\dot{y}_t^\varepsilon = b(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_{t/\varepsilon}), \quad y_0^\varepsilon = y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Deterministic averaging

Assumptions (simplest setting)

- ▷ $\|b(y_1, \xi) - b(y_2, \xi)\| \leq K\|y_1 - y_2\|$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (Lipschitz condition)
- ▷ $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T b(y, \xi_t) dt = \bar{b}(y)$ uniformly in $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ (e.g. periodic ξ_t)

Can we obtain an autonomous equation for y_t^ε ? Can we replace b by \bar{b} ?

For small time steps Δ : Freeze y_t^ε

$$y_\Delta^\varepsilon - y = \int_0^\Delta b(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_{t/\varepsilon}) dt = \int_0^\Delta b(y, \xi_{t/\varepsilon}) ds + \int_0^\Delta [b(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_{t/\varepsilon}) - b(y, \xi_{t/\varepsilon})] dt$$

1. integral = $\Delta \frac{\varepsilon}{\Delta} \int_0^{\Delta/\varepsilon} b(y, \xi_s) ds \approx \Delta \bar{b}(y)$ as $\varepsilon/\Delta \rightarrow 0$
2. integral = $\mathcal{O}(\Delta^2)$ (using Lipschitz continuity and leading order)

With a little work: y_t^ε converges uniformly on $[0, T]$ towards solution of $\dot{\bar{y}}_t = \bar{b}(\bar{y}_t)$

Averaging principle

Slow variable y_t^ε and fast variable ξ_t^ε (now allowed to depend on y_t^ε)

$$\dot{y}_t^\varepsilon = b_1(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon), \quad y_0^\varepsilon = y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\dot{\xi}_t^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} b_2(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon), \quad \xi_0^\varepsilon = \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Freeze slow variable y and consider

$$\dot{\xi}_t(y) = b_2(y, \xi_t(y)), \quad \xi_0(y) = \xi$$

Assume $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T b_1(y, \xi_t(y)) dt = \bar{b}_1(y)$ exists (and is independent of ξ)

Averaging principle

The slow variable y_t^ε is well approximated by $\dot{\bar{y}}_t = \bar{b}_1(\bar{y}_t)$, $\bar{y}_0 = y$

Random fast motion: The main idea of stochastic averaging

Random fast motion

Consider again assumption from last slide

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T b_1(y, \xi_t(y)) dt = \bar{b}_1(y) \quad \text{exists}$$

Convergence of time averages: Resembles *Law of Large Numbers!*

Our goal: Consider ξ_t given by a random motion

The general setting

$$\dot{y}_t^\varepsilon = b(\varepsilon, t, y_t^\varepsilon, \omega), \quad y_0^\varepsilon = y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$\omega \in \Omega$ indicates the random influence; underlying probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

Assumptions

- ▶ $(t, y) \mapsto b(\varepsilon, t, y, \omega)$ is continuous for **almost all** ω and all ε
- ▶ $\sup_{\varepsilon > 0} \sup_{t \geq 0} \mathbb{E} \|b(\varepsilon, t, y, \omega)\|^2 < \infty$
- ▶ $\|b(\varepsilon, t, x, \omega) - b(\varepsilon, t, y, \omega)\| \leq K \|x - y\|$
for **almost all** ω , all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$, all $t \geq 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$
- ▶ There exists $\bar{b}(y, t)$, continuous in (y, t) , s.t. $\forall \delta > 0 \forall T > 0 \forall y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \left\| \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} b(\varepsilon, t, y, \omega) dt - \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} \bar{b}(t, y) dt \right\| \geq \delta \right\} = 0$$

uniformly in $t_0 \geq 0$

Stochastic averaging

Theorem (c.f. [WF 1984])

Under the assumptions on the previous slide,

$$\dot{\bar{y}}_t = \bar{b}(t, \bar{y}_t), \quad \bar{y}_0 = y$$

has a unique solution, and

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \max_{t \in [0, T]} \|y_t^\varepsilon - \bar{y}_t\| \geq \delta \right\} = 0$$

for all $T > 0$ and all $\delta > 0$.

Remarks

- ▶ Convergence in probability is a rather weak notion
- ▶ Stronger assumptions yield stronger result

Idea of the proof I

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_t^\varepsilon - \bar{y}_t\| &\leq \int_0^t \|b(\varepsilon, s, y_s^\varepsilon, \omega) - b(\varepsilon, s, \bar{y}_s, \omega)\| ds \\ &\quad + \left\| \int_0^t [b(\varepsilon, s, \bar{y}_s, \omega) - \bar{b}(s, \bar{y}_s)] ds \right\| \end{aligned}$$

Using Lipschitz condition

$$m(t) := \sup_{s \in [0, t]} \|y_s^\varepsilon - \bar{y}_s\| \leq K \int_0^t m(s) ds + \sup_{s \in [0, t]} \left\| \int_0^s [b(\varepsilon, u, \bar{y}_u, \omega) - \bar{b}(u, \bar{y}_u)] ds \right\|$$

Gronwall's lemma: Sufficient to estimate

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{s \in [0, T]} \left\| \int_0^s [b(\varepsilon, u, \bar{y}_u, \omega) - \bar{b}(u, \bar{y}_u)] ds \right\| \geq \tilde{\delta} \right\}$$

Idea of the proof II

- ▶ b Lipschitz continuous $\Rightarrow \bar{b}$ Lipschitz continuous
- ▶ On short time intervals $[kT/n, (k+1)T/n]$ replace \bar{y}_u by $\bar{y}_{kT/n}$
- ▶ Total error accumulated over all time intervals is still $\mathcal{O}(1/n)$
- ▶ Apply assumption on \bar{b} to

$$\int_{kT/n}^{(k+1)T/n} [b(\varepsilon, u, \bar{y}_{kT/n}, \omega) - \bar{b}(u, \bar{y}_{kT/n})] ds$$

- ▶ It remains to deal with upper integration limits *not* of the form $(k+1)T/n$
- ▶ Use: interval short, Tchebyschev's inequality, assumption on second moment

Deviation from the averaged process

Deviations of order $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$

If b is sufficiently smooth & other conditions ...

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}(y_t^\varepsilon - \bar{y}_t) \Rightarrow \text{Gaussian Markov process}$$

Here \Rightarrow denotes convergence in distribution on $[0, T]$

Averaging for stochastic differential equations

$$\begin{cases} dy_t^\varepsilon = b(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon) dt + \sigma(y_t^\varepsilon) dW_t & (\text{slow variable } \in \mathbb{R}^m) \\ d\xi_t^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} f(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon) dt + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} F(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon) dW_t & (\text{fast variable } \in \mathbb{R}^n) \end{cases}$$

$\sigma = \sigma(y_t^\varepsilon, \xi_t^\varepsilon)$ depending also on ξ_t^ε can be considered
(we refrain from doing so since this would require to introduce additional notations)

Introduce Markov process $\xi_t^{y, \xi}$ for frozen slow variable y

$$d\xi_t^{y, \xi} = f(y, \xi_t^{y, \xi}) dt + F(y, \xi_t^{y, \xi}) dW_t, \quad \xi_0^{y, \xi} = \xi$$

Averaging Theorem for SDEs

Assume there exist functions $\bar{b}(y)$ and $\kappa(T)$ s.t. for all $t_0 \geq 0$, $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$:

$$\mathbb{E} \left\| \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} b(y, \xi_s^{y, \xi}) ds - \bar{b}(y) \right\| \leq \kappa(T) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

Let \bar{y}_t denote the solution of

$$d\bar{y}_t = \bar{b}(\bar{y}_t) + \sigma(\bar{y}_t) dW_t, \quad \bar{y}_0 = y$$

Theorem

For all $T > 0$, $\delta > 0$ and all initial conditions $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|y_t^\varepsilon - \bar{y}_t\| > \delta \right\} = 0$$

(convergence in probability)

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