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FINITE DIMENSIONAL APPROXIMATION AND WIENER MEASURE

Abstract: We introduce the notion of the Finite Dimensional Approximation and Wiener Measure, Differential Calculus on the Riemannian Path Space and The maps $\rho\mathcal{P}$ and $\tilde{\rho}\mathcal{P}$ The matrix $G_p^{\mathcal{F}\mathcal{P}}$. We prove the finite dimensional version of the intertwining formula for the derivative Theorem (6.1.8) [1] and the finite dimensional integration by parts formula Theorem (3.2).

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Introduction

In [2] the foundations of a Riemannian geometry on $W(M)$ have been defined (cf. also [3]). This leads to an extension of the initial notion of tangent space. This work is an attempt to approximate systematically the geometrical objects on the path space by finite dimensional ones. This procedure justifies a posteriori and in some sense the choice of the Markovian connection. In particular, it allows to construct a process on the frame bundle of the path space which corresponds to the lift of the Ornstein–Uhlenbeck–Driver–Röckner process. The lifted process plays a crucial role in the development of the stochastic calculus of variations on the path space [4]. For other finite dimensional approaches to analysis and geometry on path spaces we refer to [5,6,7,8].

We give the basic definitions of differential geometry on the path space. We construct the finite dimensional geometrical objects based on finite

partitions of the time interval and in particular we construct a discretized version of Markovian connection. We prove the finite dimensional version of the intertwining formula for the derivative (Theorem (6.1.8)) and the finite dimensional integration by parts formula (Theorem (6.1.11)). As the mesh of the partitions goes to zero, we derive in an independent way, correspondingly, statement 2.6 of [2] and Bismut’s formula. We devoted to finite dimensional approximation of the Ornstein–Uhlenbeck operator, associated process and corresponding semigroup.

Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_m)$ be a compact Riemannian manifold of dimension d , where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_m$ is the Riemannian metric. On this Riemannian manifold we consider the Levi–Civita connection associated with $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_m$. Let $O(M)$ denote the bundle of orthogonal frames over M , namely

$$O(M) := \{(m, r) : r \text{ is a Euclidean isometry from } \mathbb{R}^d \text{ into } T_m(M), m \in M\}.$$

Then $O(M)$ is a parallelized manifold.

Definition (1.1): (Tangent Space): Let $\sigma \in H^{(n)}(M)$, $b = I_n^{-1}(\sigma)$, r the horizontal lift of σ . For $z \in H$, then $Z(s) := t_{s \leftarrow 0}^\sigma(z(s)) \in T_\sigma H^{(n)}(M)$ if and

only if

$$\dot{z}(s) = \Omega_{r(s)}(\dot{b}(s), z(s)) \dot{b}(s) \text{ on } I \setminus \mathcal{P}.$$

This tangent space is inherited from the tangent space of the Gaussian vector space $H^{(n)}$ through the

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Itô mapping I_n (cf. [6, Proposition 4.4]).

Let $M^{(n)} := M^n$ and $\pi_n^W : W(M) \mapsto M^{(n)}$ (resp. $\pi_n^X : X \mapsto H^{(n)}$) denote the projection

$$\pi_n^W(p) := (p(s_1), \dots, p(s_n));$$

$$\left(\text{resp. } \pi_n^X(b) := (b(s_1), \dots, b(s_n))\right).$$

On this space there is a natural tangent space $T(M^{(n)}) = T(M)^n$ which is different from the

$$M_\varepsilon^{(n)} := \{v \in M^{(n)} : d(v_i, v_{i+1}) < \zeta_\varepsilon, \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1\},$$

$$H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M) := \left\{ \sigma \in H^{(n)}(M) : \int_{s_i}^{s_{i+1}} |\dot{\sigma}(s)| ds < \zeta_\varepsilon, \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \right\},$$

$$H_\varepsilon^{(n)} := \{z \in H^{(n)} : \|\Delta_i z\| < \zeta_\varepsilon, \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1\},$$

where

$$\zeta_\varepsilon := \varepsilon(\rho \wedge 4/K_\Omega) \quad (1.1)$$

and ρ is the injectivity radius of M , $K_\Omega = \sup_{r \in O(M)} \|\Omega_r\| < \infty$.

$M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$ is an open subset of $M^{(n)}$ and therefore is a differentiable manifold. We associate to $v \in M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$ the piecewise geodesic curve σ_v defined by linking the points v_i, v_{i+1} by the minimizing geodesic. For $v \in M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$, we consider the map

$$[\Theta_v^{(n)}]^{-1} : H^{(n)} \mapsto T_v(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$$

given by $Z(s_i) := t_{s_i \leftarrow 0}^{\sigma_v}(z(s_i)) \in T_{v_i}(M)$,

$i = 1, \dots, n$, where $z \in H^{(n)}$. Then $\Theta^{(n)}$ defines a parallelism on $M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$.

Definition (1.2): For any smooth vector fields $Y, Z \in T(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$, put

$$\frac{d}{ds} (\nabla_Y^{(n)} Z)^\alpha(v, s^-) := D_Y^{(n)} z^\alpha(s^-)$$

$$+ \int_0^{s^-} \Omega_{\gamma\lambda\beta}^\alpha(\sigma_v(\tau)) y^\gamma(\tau) d[I_n^{-1}(\sigma_v)]^\lambda(\tau) \cdot \dot{z}^\beta(s^-).$$

Here for $f \in C^\infty(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$

$$H_{\mathcal{P}}(M) = \{\sigma \in W(M) : \sigma \text{ is piecewise geodesic with respect to } \mathcal{P}\}. \quad (1.2)$$

We make $H_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ into a Riemannian manifold by endowing it with the L^2 metric $G_{\mathcal{P}}$, defined by

$$G_{\mathcal{P}}(X, Y) = \int_0^1 g(X(s), Y(s)) ds, \quad (1.3)$$

where we are making the natural identification of the tangent space $T_\sigma H_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ with the piecewise Jacobi fields along σ in M . From here we define the approximate Wiener measure $\nu_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}$ on $H_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ by

$$d\nu_{G_{\mathcal{P}}} = \frac{1}{Z_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\sigma'(s)\|^2 ds} dVol_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}, \quad (1.4)$$

where $Vol_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}$ is the Riemannian volume form given by $G_{\mathcal{P}}$ and $Z_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}$ is a normalization constant which forces $\nu_{G_{\mathcal{P}}}$ to be a probability measure in the case that $M = \mathbb{R}^d$. With the matrix $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{P}}$ introduced below in Eq. (6.97)[12],

previous one on $H^{(n)}(M)$. We shall establish a relation between these two tangent spaces.

We can endow $H^{(n)}(M)$, with a Gaussian measure ν_n such that $\nu_n \circ I_n = \mu_n$, where $\mu_n = \mu \circ (\pi_n^X)^{-1}$ is the finite dimensional Gaussian measure on $H^{(n)}$.

For $\varepsilon \in [0, 1]$, let

$$(D_{s, \alpha}^{(n)} f)(v) := \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{s < s_k} \langle t_{0 \leftarrow s_k}^{\sigma_v} \partial_k f, \varepsilon_\alpha \rangle_{m_0}$$

and

$$D_Y^{(n)} f := \int_0^1 D_{s, \alpha}^{(n)} f \cdot \dot{y}^\alpha(s) ds =$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \langle \partial_k f, Y(s_k) \rangle_{v_k} = Yf.$$

Heuristic path integrals such as those in Eq. (6.48)[12] have proven themselves useful and arise often in physics literature. Particularly, one can interpret this path integral as the path integral quantization of the Hamiltonian on M . Much of the current interest concerning path integrals in physics began with Feynman in [13] and has since grown deeply. The role of path integrals in quantum mechanics is surveyed by Gross in [14] and detailed more by Feynman and Hibbs in [15] as well as Glimm and Jaffe in [16].

For the partition $\mathcal{P} = \{0 = s_0 < s_1 < \dots < s_n = 1\}$, define the finite-dimensional subspace $H_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ of $W(M)$ by

$$Z_{G_{\mathcal{P}}} = \sqrt{\det \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{P}}} \prod_{i=1}^n (2\pi \Delta_i s)^{d/2}. \quad (1.5)$$

It is well known that the Wiener measure on $W(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is the law of an \mathbb{R}^d -valued Brownian motion, and conversely, the evaluation maps $b_s(\omega) = \omega(s)$ on $W(\mathbb{R}^d)$ are an \mathbb{R}^d -valued Brownian motion under the Wiener measure.

In what follows we use the symbols μ and ν to denote the Wiener measures on $W(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $W(M)$ respectively. Although we will consider several probability spaces, the symbol \mathbb{E} will be used solely for expectation on the probability space $(W(\mathbb{R}^d), \mu)$.

The piecewise approximation of Brownian motion with respect to the partition \mathcal{P} are the maps $b_s^{\mathcal{P}} : W(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow H_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $s \in [0, 1]$ given by

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$$b_s^{\mathcal{P}} := \sum_{i=1}^n 1_{J_i}(s) \left[\frac{\Delta_i b}{\Delta_i s} (s - s_{i-1}) + b_{s_{i-1}} \right]. \quad (1.6)$$

Here and forevermore $\Delta_i b = b_{s_i} - b_{s_{i-1}}$, and $J_i = (s_{i-1}, s_i]$ when $i > 1$ and $J_1 = [0, s_1]$. It is

$$H(M) = \left\{ \sigma \in W(M) : \sigma \text{ is absolutely continuous, } \int_0^1 \|\sigma'(s)\|^2 ds < \infty \right\}. \quad (1.7)$$

The Cameron–Martin space is a Hilbert space and $(i, H(\mathbb{R}^d), W(\mathbb{R}^d))$ is the prototype for an abstract Wiener space, where $i : H(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow W(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is the canonical injection.

The tangent space $T_\sigma H_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ is identified with the continuous piecewise Jacobi fields along σ .

We introduce the measure $\nu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}}$ in Eq. (6.60) and $\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}}$, where $\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}}$ is simply realization of $\nu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}}$ in the flat case $M = \mathbb{R}^d$.

II. Preliminaries

We consider the orthogonal basis of $H^{(n)}$ defined in Theorem (6.1.24)[1], and the corresponding parallelized vector fields $H_{i,\alpha}(v, s) = t_{s \leftarrow 0}^{\sigma v} h_{i,\alpha}$.

We denote by $B_{i,\alpha}$ the horizontal lift of $H_{i,\alpha}$ through the Markovian connection $\nabla^{(n)}$ (cf. [10, 11]). Let

$$\Delta_{O(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})} := - \sum_{\alpha,i} B_{i,\alpha} B_{i,\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha,i} \delta^{(n)}(H_{i,\alpha}) \cdot B_{i,\alpha}.$$

Then $\Delta_{O(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})}$ is the lift of $L^{(n)}$ to the frame bundle.

Theorem (2.1): For any $f \in C^\infty(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$, we have

$$\|V_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}}(s)^{tr} V_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}}(s) - (\Delta - s)^2 I\| \leq 3(\Delta - s)^2 \left(\cosh \left(2\sqrt{K_i^{\mathcal{P}} \Delta} \right) \cosh \left(8\sqrt{K_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}} \Delta} \right) - 1 \right), \quad (2.1)$$

$$\|S_i^{\mathcal{P}}(s)^{tr} S_i^{\mathcal{P}}(s) - s^2 I\| \leq 3s^2 \left(\cosh \left(2\sqrt{K_i^{\mathcal{P}} \Delta} \right) - 1 \right) \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$\|V_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}}(s)^{tr} S_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}}(s) - (\Delta - s) s I\| \leq 3s(\Delta - s) \left(\cosh \left(\sqrt{K_i^{\mathcal{P}} \Delta} \right) \cosh \left(5\sqrt{K_{i+1}^{\mathcal{P}} \Delta} \right) - 1 \right). \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. We apply Lemma (6.2.19)[12]. For operators A and B and real numbers a and b ,

$$A^{tr} B - a b I = (A^{tr} - a I)(B - b I) + a(B - b I) + b(A^{tr} - a I).$$

The asserted inequalities now follow with judicious choices for A and B as well as Eqs. (3.6) and (3.7) along with the fact that $s/\Delta \leq 1$.

Applying Proposition (2.3) to Eqs (6.127)[12] and (6.128)[12] gives the estimates we need on $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}$ to continue forward.

Proposition (2.4): Let $Y_{\mathcal{P}}$ be as in Eq. (6.177) [12], $\tau_{\mathcal{P}}$ be as in Eq. (6.178) [12], and τ_G be as in Eq.

important to note that $b_s|_{H_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbb{R}^d)} = b_s^{\mathcal{P}}|_{H_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbb{R}^d)}$.

This is a convenient place to introduce the Cameron–Martin subspace $H(M)$ of the Wiener space, which is the collection of absolutely continuous paths with finite energy,

$$\Delta_{O(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})}(f \circ \pi) = (L^{(n)} f) \circ \pi.$$

Here π is the bundle projection.

Proof. It is a direct consequence of the identity

$$B_{i,\alpha}(f \circ \pi) = (H_{i,\alpha} f) \circ \pi.$$

For any vector field Z on $M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$, we use F_Z to denote its scalarization, i.e. $F_Z(r) = r^{-1}(Z) \in H^{(n)}$.

Theorem (2.2): The following commutation relation holds:

$$\Delta_{O(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})} F_Z = F_{\Delta^{(n)} Z},$$

where

$$\Delta^{(n)} Z := \sum_{\alpha,i} \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z + \delta^{(n)}(h_{i,\alpha}) \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z.$$

Proof. It is deduced from $B_{i,\alpha} F_Z = F_{\nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z}$.

Now we define a Dirichlet form as follows:

$$\mathcal{E}_H^{(n)}(Z_1, Z_2) = E^{v_{n,\varepsilon}} \left(\sum_{\alpha,i} \langle \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z_1, \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z_2 \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} \right),$$

$$Z_1, Z_2 \in T(M_\varepsilon^{(n)}).$$

As a consequence of the relation

$$D_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} \langle Z_1, Z_2 \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} = \langle \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z_1, Z_2 \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} + \langle Z_1, \nabla_{h_{i,\alpha}}^{(n)} Z_2 \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}}$$

and integration by parts.

Proposition (2.3): For $s \in [0, \Delta]$,

(6.180)[12]. There is a constant $C = C(d, \text{curvature}) < \infty$ such that,

$$\int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \left| e^{Y_{\mathcal{P}}(\omega)} - e^{-\tau_G} \int_0^1 \text{Scal}(\phi(\omega)(s)) \right| d\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}}(\omega) \leq C \left(\sqrt{|\tau_{\mathcal{P}} - \tau_G|} + \Delta^{1/4} \right). \quad (2.4)$$

Proof. Breaking the integrand into pieces we consider

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$$\underbrace{e^{Y_{\mathcal{P}}(\omega)} - e^{-\tau_G \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}}}_I + \underbrace{e^{-\tau_G \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}} - e^{-\tau_G S_{\mathcal{P}}}}_{II} + \underbrace{e^{-\tau_G S_{\mathcal{P}}} - e^{-\tau_G \int_0^1 \text{Scal}(\phi(\omega)(s)) ds}}_{III}.$$

Let $\Lambda = \Lambda$ (curvature) $< \infty$ be given such that

$$\int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)} |III| \leq e^{\tau_G \Lambda} \int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbb{R}^d)} |e^{-\tau_G(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} - S_{\mathcal{P}})} - 1| \leq C(e^{C\Lambda} - 1)^{1/2}.$$

Similarly, with

$$\left| e^{-\tau_G S_{\mathcal{P}}} - e^{-\tau_G \int_0^1 \text{Scal}(\phi(\omega)(s)) ds} \right| \leq e^{\tau_G \Lambda} \left(\exp \left\{ \tau_G \left| S_{\mathcal{P}} - \int_0^1 \text{Scal}(\phi(\omega)(s)) ds \right| \right\} - 1 \right),$$

another application of Lemma (6.2.48) [12] to the right-hand side along with Lemma (6.2.6) [12] gives $\int |III| \leq C\Delta^{1/4}$.

What remains then is to bound $\int |I|$. To start, we will assume that Λ is also a bound on Ric so that

$|\langle Ric_{u(s_{i-1})} \Delta_i b, \Delta_i b \rangle| \leq \Lambda \|\Delta_i b\|^2$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. From here,

$$|\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| \leq \Lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \|\Delta_i b\|^2 \text{ and } |\partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| \leq \Lambda (\|\Delta_1 b\|^2 + \|\Delta_{n-1} b\|^2 + \|\Delta_n b\|^2)$$

along with Eq. (3. 4), Eq. (6.200) in Lemma (6.2.46)[12], and Theorem (6.2.4)[12] we have

$$\int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)} e^{2\tau_G |\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}|} d\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}} \leq 2\tau_G \Lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} \left[\|\Delta_i b\|^2 e^{2\tau_G \Lambda \sum_{j=1}^n \|\Delta_j b\|^2} \right] + 1 \leq C. \quad (2.5)$$

Along these same lines, from Eq. (6.200)[12],

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)} |(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| e^{(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}} d\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}} &\leq \mathbb{E} [|(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| e^{(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}}] \\ &\leq |\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}| \Lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} \left[\|\Delta_i b\|^2 e^{2\Lambda \sum_{j=1}^n \|\Delta_j b\|^2} \right] \leq C(|\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}|), \end{aligned}$$

and arguing similarly using Eq. (6.199)[12],

$$\int_{H_{\mathcal{P}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbb{R}^d)} |\tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| e^{(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}} d\mu_{S_{\mathcal{P}}} \leq \mathbb{E} [|\tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| e^{(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}}] \leq C\Delta.$$

In particular,

$$\mathbb{E} [|(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}| e^{(\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}}] \leq C(|\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}| + \Delta). \quad (2.6)$$

With Eqs. (6.182)[12] and (3. 4), Lemma (6.2.48)[12] implies $\int |I| \leq C(|\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}| + \Delta)^{1/2}$. Combining the bounds on $\int |I|$, $\int |II|$, and $\int |III|$ concludes the proof.

$|\text{Scal}| \leq \Lambda$. Then,

$$|e^{-\tau_G \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}} - e^{-\tau_G S_{\mathcal{P}}}| \leq e^{\tau_G \Lambda} |e^{-\tau_G(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} - S_{\mathcal{P}})} - 1|.$$

Now applying Lemma (6.2.48)[12] and Lemma (6.2.5)[12],

$$\tau_G \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + Y_{\mathcal{P}} = (\tau_G - \tau_{\mathcal{P}}) \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} + \tau_{\mathcal{P}} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{P}} &:= \langle Ric_{u(s_0)} \Delta_1 b, \Delta_1 b \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle Ric_{u(s_{n-2})} \Delta_{n-1} b, \Delta_{n-1} b \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle Ric_{u(s_{n-1})} \Delta_n b, \Delta_n b \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Using the bounds

III. Claims

Definition (3.1): On $M_{\varepsilon}^{(n)}$ a Riemannian metric is defined by the condition that $\Theta_v^{(n)}$ is an isometry of $T_v(M_{\varepsilon}^{(n)})$ onto $H^{(n)}$.

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Hereafter, we shall use $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}}$ or simply $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ to denote this metric.

Note that under the map π_n^W, I_n , we can identify $M_\varepsilon^{(n)}, H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)$ and $H_\varepsilon^{(n)}$. In particular, we have

$$d(v_i, v_{i+1}) = \int_{s_i}^{s_{i+1}} |\dot{\sigma}_v(s)| ds = \|\Delta_i b_v\|,$$

where $\dot{b}_v(s) = t_{0 \leftarrow s}^{\sigma_v} \dot{\sigma}_v(s)$. It is sometimes convenient not to distinguish $M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$ and $H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)$.

$$(\delta^{(n)} z)(\sigma) = \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 z^\alpha(t^-) d[I_n^{-1}(\sigma)]^\alpha(t) - \int_0^1 D_{t,\alpha}^X \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) dt - \frac{2D_z^{(n)} \hat{\phi}_n}{\hat{\phi}_n} \quad (3.1)$$

and \hat{z} is given in (6.9)[1].

Proof. The idea of the proof is to push back all divergence computations to the flat finite dimensional

$$\int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} D_z^{(n)} f dv_{n,\varepsilon} = \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} D_z^{(n)} f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2 dv_n = \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} D_z^{(n)} (f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) dv_n - \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} f D_z^{(n)} \hat{\phi}_n^2 dv_n.$$

The function $(f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) \circ I_n$ belongs to $C^\infty(H^{(n)})$. We define

$$\phi_n \in C^\infty(H^{(n)}) \text{ satisfying} \quad (3.2) \quad \begin{cases} \phi_n(b) = 1, & b \in H_\varepsilon^{(n)}, \\ \phi_n(b) = 0, & b \notin H_{\varepsilon'}^{(n)}, \end{cases}$$

where $\varepsilon' < \varepsilon < \varepsilon''$, $H_{\varepsilon'}^{(n)} \subset H_\varepsilon^{(n)} \subset H_{\varepsilon''}^{(n)}$. Then $\phi_n \cdot \hat{z}$ is a vector field on $H^{(n)}$. By the intertwining formula (6.7)[1], we have

We define the following Markovian connection which is compatible with $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}}$ on the finite manifold $M_\varepsilon^{(n)}$

Theorem (3.2): For every vector field $z: M_\varepsilon^{(n)} \mapsto H^{(n)}$ such that $z^\alpha(s_i) \in C_r^1(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$ for $\alpha = 1, \dots, d$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, we have

$$\int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} D_z^{(n)} f dv_{n,\varepsilon} = \int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} f \cdot \delta^{(n)} z dv_{n,\varepsilon},$$

where

Gaussian vector space $H^{(n)}$.

For any $f \in C_r^\infty(M_\varepsilon^{(n)})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} D_z^{(n)} (f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) dv_n \\ &= \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}} D_z^X ((f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) \circ I_n) d\mu_n \\ &= \int_{H^{(n)}} D_{\phi_n \cdot \hat{z}}^X ((f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) \circ I_n) d\mu_n \\ &= \int_X [D_{\phi_n \cdot \hat{z}}^X ((f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) \circ I_n)] \circ \pi_n^X d\mu \\ &= \int_X [(f \cdot \hat{\phi}_n^2) \circ I_n \circ \pi_n^X] \delta(\phi_n \cdot \hat{z}) d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following formula (cf. [9]):

$$\int_0^1 f_\alpha(s) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(s) ds = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta s} \int_{s^-}^{s^+} f_\alpha(t) dt \right) db^\alpha(s) + \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta s} \int_{s^-}^{s^+} D_{s,\alpha}^X f_\alpha(t) dt \right) ds \quad (3.3)$$

where $f(s)$ is a non-adapted \mathbb{R}^d valued process with some regularity assumptions and the stochastic

integral is taken in the sense of Skorohod.

Applying this formula to $f_\alpha(s) = \phi_n \dot{z}^\alpha(s^-)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\phi_n \cdot \hat{z})(b) &= \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \phi_n \cdot \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(t) dt - \int_0^1 D_{t,\alpha}^X [\phi_n \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-)] dt = \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \phi_n \cdot \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(t) dt \\ &\quad - \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \phi_n \cdot \left(\int_{t^-}^{t^+} \frac{t^+ - s}{t^+ - t^-} \Omega_{\gamma\lambda\beta}^\alpha(r_n(s)) \dot{b}_n^\gamma(s) \bar{z}^\lambda(s) \dot{b}_n^\beta(s) ds \right) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(t) dt \\ &\quad - \sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \phi_n \cdot \left(\int_0^{t^-} \Omega_{\gamma\lambda\beta}^\alpha(r_n(s)) \dot{b}_n^\gamma(s) \bar{z}^\lambda(s) ds \right) \cdot \dot{b}_n^\beta(t) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(t) dt \\ &\quad - \int_0^1 \phi_n D_{t,\alpha}^X \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) dt - \int_0^1 \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) D_{t,\alpha}^X \phi_n dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $b_n = \pi_n^X(b)$ and r_n is the horizontal lift of $I_n(b_n)$ satisfying

$$dr_n(s) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^d A_\alpha(r_n) \dot{b}_n^\alpha(s) ds, \quad r_n(0) = r_0.$$

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In view of the antisymmetry of $\Omega_{\nu\lambda\beta}^\alpha$ the second and third terms of this expression vanish. By

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} D_z^{(n)}(f \cdot \hat{\varphi}_n^2) dv_n &= \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}} (f \cdot \hat{\varphi}_n^2) \circ I_n(b) \cdot \left[\sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) b_n^\alpha(t) dt - \int_0^1 D_{t,\alpha}^X \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) dt \right] d\mu_n(b) \\ &= \int_{H_\varepsilon^{(n)}(M)} (f \cdot \hat{\varphi}_n^2)(\sigma) \cdot \left[\sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) d[I_n^{-1}(\sigma)]^\alpha(t) - \int_0^1 D_{t,\alpha}^X \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) dt \right] dv_n(\sigma) \\ &= \int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} f(\sigma) \cdot \left[\sum_\alpha \int_0^1 \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) d[I_n^{-1}(\sigma)]^\alpha(t) - \int_0^1 D_{t,\alpha}^X \dot{z}^\alpha(t^-) dt \right] dv_{n,\varepsilon}(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we obtain

$$\int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} D_z^{(n)} f dv_{n,\varepsilon} = \int_{M_\varepsilon^{(n)}} f \delta^{(n)} z dv_{n,\varepsilon},$$

where $\delta^{(n)} z$ is given by (6.12)[1].

Theorem (3.3): For any $g \in C_b(W(M))$, let g_n be the projection of g (see Definition (6.1.17)). Then for any $t > 0$, we have

$$\tilde{T}_t^{(n)} g_n \xrightarrow{w} T_t g \text{ in } L^2(W(M), \nu),$$

where $T_t := e^{-tL}$.

Proof. Following the notation of the previous

$$\begin{aligned} E^{\nu_{n,\varepsilon}}(T_t^{(n)} g_n \cdot f_n) - E^\nu(T_t g \cdot f) &= E^P(g_n(p_t^n) f_n(p_0^n)) - E^P(g(p_t) \cdot f(p_0)) \\ &= E^P([g_n(p_t^n) - g(p_t^n)] f_n(p_0^n)) + E^P(g(p_t^n) [f_n(p_0^n) - f(p_0^n)]) \\ &\quad + E^P(g(p_t^n) [f(p_0^n) - f(p_0)]) + E^P([g(p_t^n) - g(p_t)] \cdot f(p_0)). \end{aligned}$$

The convergence of the last two terms follows from the a.s. convergence of p_t^n to p_t and the dominated convergence theorem. As for the first, since $\nu_{n,\varepsilon}$ is the invariant measure of p_t^n , it is estimated by

$$\begin{aligned} CE^P |g_n(p_t^n) - g(p_t^n)| &= CE^{\nu_{n,\varepsilon}} |g_n(\sigma_\nu) - g(\sigma_\nu)| \\ &= CE^\mu (\varphi_n^2 |g_n \circ I_n \circ \pi_n^X - g \circ I_n \circ \pi_n^X|) \\ &\leq CE^\mu (\varphi_n^2 |g \circ I - g \circ I_n \circ \pi_n^X|) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

The second is similar.

Proposition (3.4): Under the assumptions of Theorem (6.2.1), the limit in Eq. (6.56) is zero.

Proof. Combining Propositions (6.2.35), (6.2.39), (6.2.40), and Eqs. (6.179) and (6.180) shows

the construction of ϕ_n , we know that $\phi_n \cdot D_{t,\alpha}^X \phi_n = 0$. Hence

theorem's proof, for any $f \in E_1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E^\nu(\tilde{T}_t^{(n)} g_n \cdot f) - E^\nu(T_t g \cdot f) &\leq E^\nu(\tilde{T}_t^{(n)} g_n \cdot \tilde{f}_n) - \\ &\quad E^\nu(T_t g \cdot f) + E^\nu(\tilde{T}_t^{(n)} g_n \cdot (f - \tilde{f}_n)), \end{aligned}$$

where \tilde{f}_n is the projection of f . The second term clearly converges to zero. By Theorem (6.1.29) the first is equal to

that the limit in Eq. (6.55) vanishes when $\Delta \rightarrow 0$.

Here we collect several inequalities which are straight forward to show, but the frequency of use warrants their mention. For any $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$|e^a - 1|^p \leq e^{p|a|} - 1 \leq p|a|e^{p|a|}. \quad (3.4)$$

If $a, b > 0$ and $\alpha \geq 1$,

$$\frac{\sinh(a)}{a} \leq \cosh(a), \quad (3.5)$$

$$\cosh(a) \cosh(b) \leq \cosh(a+b), \quad (3.6)$$

$$\cosh(a) (\cosh(b) - 1) \leq \cosh(a) \cosh(b) - 1, \quad (3.7)$$

$$\alpha (\cosh(a) \cosh(b) - 1) \leq \cosh(\alpha a) \cosh(\alpha b) - 1. \quad (3.8)$$

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