

# **STOCHASTIC FUNCTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH CONSTRAINTS**

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# Outline

- Theory of stochastic functional differential equations (SFDE's) in flat space: Itô and Nisio ([IN], Kushner ([Ku]), Mohammed ([Mo<sub>2</sub>], [Mo<sub>3</sub>]) and Mohammed-Scheutzow ([MoS<sub>1</sub>], [MoS<sub>2</sub>])).
- **Objective:** to constrain the solution to live on a smooth submanifold of Euclidean space.
- **Main difficulty:** Tangent space along a solution path is random (cf. unlike flat case).

- Difficulty resolved by pulling back the calculus on the tangent space at the starting point of the initial semimartingale using stochastic parallel transport. Get SFDE on a linear space of semimartingales with values in the tangent space at a given point on the manifold.
- Solve SFDE on flat space by Picard's iteration method. (cf. Driver [Dr]). But two levels of randomness:
  - (1) stochastic parallel transport over initial semimartingale path;
  - (2) driving Brownian motion.

Law of solution at a given time may not be absolutely continuous with respect to law of initial semimartingale.

- Example of SDDE on the manifold with a type of Markov property in space of semimartingales.
- Regularity of solution of SDDE in initial semimartingale: stochastic Chen-Souriau calculus (Léandre [Le<sub>2</sub>], [Le<sub>3</sub>]). Requires Fréchet topology on semimartingales.

# The Existence Theorem

## Notation:

$M$  smooth compact Riemannian manifold, dimension  $d$ .

Delay  $\delta > 0$ ,  $T > 0$ .

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, t \geq -\delta, P)$  filtered probability space-usual conditions.

$W : [-\delta, \infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^p$  Brownian motion on

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, t \geq -\delta, P)$ ,  $W(-\delta) = 0$ .

( $p = 1$  for simplicity.)

$N$  any smooth finite-dimensional Riemannian manifold;  $x \in N$ .

$\mathcal{S}([-\delta, T], N; -\delta, x) :=$  space of all  $N$ -valued  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq -\delta}$ -adapted continuous semimartingales

$$\gamma : [-\delta, T] \times \Omega \rightarrow N$$

with  $\gamma(-\delta) = x$ .

## The Itô Map:

Fix  $x \in M$ .

$T(M) :=$  tangent bundle over  $M$ .

Define the *Itô map* by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}([-\delta, T], M; -\delta, x) \ni \gamma \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} \in \mathcal{S}([-\delta, T], T_x(M); -\delta, 0) \\ \left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{\gamma}(t) &= \tau_{t, -\delta}^{-1}(\gamma) \circ d\gamma(t) \\ \tilde{\gamma}(-\delta) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

(Stratonovich).

$\tau_{t, -\delta}(\gamma) :=$  (stochastic) parallel transport from  $x = \gamma(-\delta)$  to  $\gamma(t)$  along semimartingale  $\gamma.([\mathbf{E.E}], [\mathbf{E.m}])$

Itô map is a bijection.

$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2^T :=$  Hilbert space of all semimartingales  $\tilde{\gamma} \in \mathcal{S}([-\delta, T], T_x(M); -\delta, 0)$  such that

$$\tilde{\gamma}(t) = \int_{-\delta}^t A(s) dW(s) + \int_{-\delta}^t B(s) ds, \quad -\delta \leq t \leq T \quad (2)$$

and

$$\|\tilde{\gamma}\|_2^2 := E\left[\int_{-\delta}^T |A(s)|^2 ds\right] + E\left[\int_{-\delta}^T |B(s)|^2 ds\right] < \infty \quad (3)$$

$A(s), B(s) \in T_x(M)$  adapted previsible processes-*characteristics* of  $\tilde{\gamma}$  (or  $\gamma$ ).

$\|\cdot\|_2$  gives slightly different topology than traditional semi-martingale topologies ([D.M]).

$\mathcal{S}_2^T :=$  inverse image of  $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2^T$  under the Itô map with induced topology.



Let  $\gamma \in \mathcal{S}_2^T$ ,  $t \in [-\delta, T]$ . Set

$$\gamma^t(s) := \gamma(s \wedge t), \quad s \in [-\delta, T].$$

Then  $\widetilde{(\gamma^t)} = (\widetilde{\gamma})^t$ .

Evaluation map

$$e : [0, T] \times \mathcal{S}_2^T \rightarrow L^0(\Omega, M)$$

$$e(t, \gamma) := \gamma(t)$$

Vector bundle  $L^0(\Omega, T(M))$  over  $L^0(\Omega, M)$   
with fiber over  $Z \in L^0(\Omega, M)$  given by

$$L^0(\Omega, T(M))_Z := \{Y : Y(\omega) \in T_{Z(\omega)}M \text{ a.a. } \omega \in \Omega\}$$

$e^*L^0(\Omega, T(M)) :=$  pull-back bundle of  
 $L^0(\Omega, T(M))$  over  $[0, T] \times \mathcal{S}_2^T$  by  $e$ .

A SFDE on  $M$  is a map

$$F : [0, T] \times \mathcal{S}_2^T \rightarrow L^0(\Omega, T(M))$$

such that  $F(t, \gamma^t) \in T_{\gamma(t)}(M)$  a.s. for all  $\gamma \in \mathcal{S}_2^T$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$ . I.e.  $F$  is a section of  $e^*L^0(\Omega, T(M))$ .

Consider SFDE

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx(t) &= F(t, x^t) \circ dW(t), & t \geq 0 \\ x^0 &= \gamma^0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

- Pullback SFDE (4) over  $T_x(M)$ .

Then:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{x}(t) &= \tau_{t, -\delta}^{-1}(x^t) F(t, x^t) \circ dW(t) \\ &= \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^t) \circ dW(t), & t \geq 0 \\ \tilde{x}^0 &= \tilde{\gamma}^0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (5)$$

$(t, \tilde{\gamma}) \mapsto \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}) := \tau_{t, -\delta}^{-1}(\gamma)F(t, \gamma)$  can be viewed as a functional

$$[0, T] \times \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2^T \rightarrow L^0(\Omega, T_x(M))$$

on the flat space  $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2^T$ ,

- Use Stratonovich correction  $\Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t)$  and impose “boundedness” and “Lipschitz condition” on  $F$  in terms of  $\tilde{F}$  to get existence and uniqueness:

## Hypothesis (H):

- (i) “**Boundedness**”. There exists a deterministic constant  $C_1$  such that

$$|\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t)| + |\Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t)| < C_1 < \infty, \quad \text{a.s.} \quad (6)$$

for all  $(t, \tilde{\gamma}) \in [0, T] \times \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_2^T$ .

- (ii) “**Local Lipschitz property**”. Suppose  $\tilde{\gamma}, \tilde{\gamma}' \in \mathcal{S}_2^T$  have characteristics  $(A(\cdot), B(\cdot))$  and  $(A'(\cdot), B'(\cdot))$  respectively which are a.s. bounded by a deterministic constant  $R$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} E[|\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t) - \tilde{F}(t, (\tilde{\gamma}')^t)|^2 + |\Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t) - \Delta\tilde{F}(t, (\tilde{\gamma}')^t)|^2] \\ \leq K(R) \|\tilde{\gamma}^t - (\tilde{\gamma}')^t\|_2^2 \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

## Examples:

1.  $X :=$  a smooth section of  $k$ -frame bundle  $L(\underline{\mathbf{R}}^k, T(M)) \rightarrow M$ .

SDDE:

$$dx(t) = \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x)X(x(t-\delta)), \quad t > 0 \quad (8)$$

with

$$F(t, \gamma) := \tau_{t,t-\delta}(\gamma)X(\gamma(t-\delta));$$

and

$$\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}) = \tau_{t-\delta, -\delta}^{-1}(\tilde{\gamma})X(\tilde{\gamma}(t-\delta)). \quad (8')$$

$\tilde{F}$  satisfies (H)(i) because parallel transport is a rotation and  $M$  is compact.

2.  $X_1, X_2 :=$  smooth sections of  $k$ -frame bundle  $L(\underline{\mathbf{R}}^k, T(M)) \rightarrow M$ .

SFDE:

$$dx_{c,t} = \left\{ \int_{t-\delta}^t \tau_{t,s}(x_{c,\cdot}) X_1(x_{c,s}) ds + X_2(x_{c,t}) \right\} \circ dw_t, \quad (9)$$

for  $0 < t < T$ .

For (H)(ii) embed  $M$  (isometrically) into  $R^{d'}$  and extend the Riemannian structure over  $R^{d'}$ : the Riemannian metric has bounded derivatives of all orders and is uniformly non-degenerate. Extend the Levi-Civita connection over  $M$  to a connection which preserves the metric over  $R^{d'}$  on the trivial tangent bundle of  $R^{d'}$  with

Christoffel symbols having bounded derivatives of all order. The pair  $(\gamma(t), \tau_{t,-\delta})$  corresponds to a process  $\hat{x}(t) \in R^{d'} \times R^{d' \times d'}$  which solves the Stratonovitch SDE:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\hat{x}(t) &= \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t)) \circ A(t) dW(t) + \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t))B(t) dt \\ \hat{x}(-\delta) &= (x, Id_{T_x(M)}) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10)$$

on  $R^{d'} \times R^{d' \times d'}$

$\hat{Z}$  is smooth (and hence has derivatives of all orders bounded over the range of existence of  $\hat{x}$ ).

(10) in Itô form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\hat{x}(t) &= \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t))A(t) dW(t) + \hat{Y}(\hat{x}(t))A(t)^2 dt \\ &\quad + \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t))B(t) dt \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (11)$$

In (11),  $A(t) \in T_x(M)$ , but we consider the one-dimensional case  $d = 1$  for simplicity.

$\hat{Y}$  satisfies same hypotheses as the vector field  $\hat{Z}$ .

$\hat{x}(A, B)$  denotes dependence of  $\hat{x}$  on  $A$  and  $B$ .

### **Lemma 1.**

*Suppose*

$$|A(t)| + |B(t)| + |A'(t)| + |B'(t)| \leq R,$$

*a.s. for all  $t \in [-\delta, T]$  and some deterministic  $R > 0$ .*



Then there exists a constant  $K(R) > 0$  such that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& E\left[ \sup_{-\delta \leq s \leq t} |\hat{x}(A, B)(s) - \hat{x}(A', B')(s)|^2 \right] \\
& \leq K(R) E\left[ \int_{-\delta}^t (|A(s) - A'(s)|^2 + |B(s) - B'(s)|^2) ds \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

*Proof.*

Follows from (11) by Burkholder's inequality and Gronwall's lemma.  $\square$

Put  $t = 0$  in Lemma to show that SFDE's (8) and (9) satisfy (H)(ii).

## **Theorem 1.**

*Assume hypotheses (H).*

*Suppose that  $\gamma^0 \in \mathcal{S}_2^0$  has characteristics  $(A(t), B(t))$ ,  $t \in [-\delta, 0]$ , a.s. bounded by a deterministic constant  $C > 0$ .*

Then the SFDE (4) has a unique global solution  $x$  such that  $x|_{[-\delta, T]} \in \mathcal{S}_2^T$  for every  $T > 0$ .

*Proof.*

Sufficient to prove theorem for the SFDE (5) in flat space.

Define  $\tilde{x}^n$  inductively:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{x}^{n+1}(t) &= \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^{n,t}) dW(t) + \Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^{n,t}) dt, & t \geq 0 \\ \tilde{x}^{n+1,0} &= \tilde{\gamma}^0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (13)$$

By (H)(i),(ii),

$$\|\tilde{x}^{n+1,t} - \tilde{x}^{n,t}\|_2^2 \leq C \int_0^t \|\tilde{x}^{n,s} - \tilde{x}^{n-1,s}\|_2^2 ds \quad (14)$$

By induction:

$$\|\tilde{x}^{n+1,t} - \tilde{x}^{n,t}\|_2^2 \leq \frac{C^n t^n}{n!} \quad (15)$$

This gives existence.

For uniqueness, take two solutions  $\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2$  of (5). By (H)(i), their characteristics are a.s. bounded. Then

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{x}^1(t) &= \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^1, t) dW(t) + \Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^1, t) dt \\ d\tilde{x}^2(t) &= \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^2, t) dW(t) + \Delta\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^2, t) dt \\ \tilde{x}^{1,0} &= \tilde{x}^{2,0} = \tilde{\gamma}^0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (16)$$

imply

$$\|\tilde{x}^{1,t} - \tilde{x}^{2,t}\|_2^2 \leq C \int_0^t \|\tilde{x}^{1,s} - \tilde{x}^{2,s}\|_2^2 ds \quad (17)$$

Hence  $\|\tilde{x}^{1,t} - \tilde{x}^{2,t}\|_2^2 = 0$ .  $\square$

Under the

## Delay Condition:

$$\tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^t) = \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{\gamma}^{t-\delta})$$

the *Stratonovich* equation (5) now becomes also the *Itô* equation:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{x}(t) &= \tilde{F}(t, \tilde{x}^{(t-\delta)}) dW(t) \\ \tilde{x}^0 &= \tilde{\gamma}^0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Existence and uniqueness hold by forward steps of length  $\delta$ .

# Continuous dependence on initial process:

## Theorem 2.

*Assume hypotheses (H). Let  $\mathcal{B}^T \subset \mathcal{S}_2^T$  be the family of all  $\gamma \in \mathcal{S}_2^T$  with characteristics  $(A, B)$  a.s. uniformly bounded on  $[-\delta, 0]$  by a deterministic constant. Denote by  $x(\gamma^0)$  the unique solution of SFDE (4) with initial semimartingale  $\gamma^0 \in \mathcal{B}^0$ . Then the mapping*

$$\mathcal{B}^0 \ni \gamma^0 \mapsto x(\gamma^0) \in \mathcal{B}^T$$

*is continuous.*

*Proof.*

Let  $\tilde{\gamma}^0, (\tilde{\gamma}')^0$  have characteristics  $(A, B)$ ,  $(A', B')$  uniformly bounded on  $[-\delta, 0]$  by a deterministic constant. Let  $\tilde{x}(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{x}(A', B')$  be corresponding solutions of (5). By Burkholder's inequality and (H)(ii):

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\tilde{x}^t(A, B) - \tilde{x}^t(A', B')\|_2^2 \\ & \leq \|\tilde{\gamma}^0 - (\tilde{\gamma}')^0\|_2^2 + K \int_0^t \|\tilde{x}^s(A, B) - \tilde{x}^s(A', B')\|_2^2 ds \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

By Gronwall's lemma:

$$\|\tilde{x}(A, B) - \tilde{x}(A', B')\|_2^2 \leq C \|\tilde{\gamma}^0 - (\tilde{\gamma}')^0\|_2^2 \tag{19}$$

□

## Example-Markov Behavior.

Consider the SDDE:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx(t) &= \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x)X(x(t-\delta))dW(t) \\ x^0 &= \gamma^0, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (20)$$

with  $\gamma^0(-\delta) = x \in M$ .

Replace  $x$  by a random variable  $Z \in L^0(\Omega, M)$  independent of  $W(t), t \geq -\delta$ .

Fix  $t_0 > 0$ . The process  $x(t), t \geq t_0$  solves the SDDE:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx'(t) &= \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x')X(x'(t-\delta))dW(t), t \geq t_0 \\ x'(s) &= x(s), s \in [t_0 - \delta, t_0] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (21)$$

$x(t_0 - \delta)$  is independent of  $dW(t)$ ,  $t \geq t_0 - \delta$ , and parallel transport in (20) depends only on the path between  $t - \delta$  and  $t$ .

Uniqueness implies

$$x'(t) = x(t), \quad t \geq t_0.$$

For any semi-martingale  $\gamma(t)$ ,  $t \geq -\delta$  in  $M$ , let  $\gamma_t := \gamma|_{[t - \delta, t]}$ .

$x(\cdot)(\gamma^0)(W) :=$  solution of (20) with initial condition  $\gamma^0$ .

Then

$$x(t)(\gamma^0)(W) = x(t - t')(x_{t'}(\gamma^0))(W(t' + \cdot)), \quad t \geq t' \quad (22)$$

$W(t' + \cdot) :=$  Brownian shift

$$s \mapsto W(t' + s) - W(t').$$



## Differentiability in Chen-Souriau Sense:

Consider family of SDDE's:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx(t)(u) &= \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x^t(u))X(x(t-\delta)(u)) \circ dW(t), t \geq 0 \\ x^0(u) &= \gamma^0(u) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (23)$$

parametrized by  $u \in U$ , open subset of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

Embed  $M$  into  $R^{d'}$ .

Seek differentiability of  $x(t)(u)$  in  $u$ . Can use Kolmogorov's lemma, Sobolev's imbedding theorem because  $u$  is finite-dimensional.

Flat version of (23) given by SDDE (8') with an added parameter  $u$ .

For a parametrized semimartingale  $\gamma(u)$  on  $M$ , the couple

$$(\gamma(u), \tau_{t, -\delta}(\gamma(u))) = \hat{x}_t$$

satisfies an Itô SDE depending on the parameter  $u$ :

$$\begin{aligned} d\hat{x}(t) = & \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t))A(u)(t) dW(t) + \hat{Y}(\hat{x}(t))A(u)(t)^2 dt \\ & + \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t))B(u)(t) dt \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

$\hat{Z}$  and  $\hat{Y}$  are smooth.

Introduce family of norms:

$$\|\tilde{\gamma}\|_p^p := E\left[\int_{-\delta}^T |A(s)|^p ds + \int_{-\delta}^T |B(s)|^p ds\right] \tag{25}$$

on the space  $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_\infty^T$  of all semimartingales

$$\tilde{\gamma} \in \mathcal{S}([-\delta, T], T_x(M); -\delta, 0)$$

where  $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = \int_{-\delta}^t A(s) dW(s) + \int_{-\delta}^t B(s) ds$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$  and  $\|\tilde{\gamma}\|_p$  is finite for every  $p \geq 1$ .

Suppose  $A(u)(\cdot)$  and  $B(u)(\cdot)$  are bounded by a deterministic constant  $C$  independent of  $u$ , and

$$u \mapsto (A(u)(\cdot), B(u)(\cdot))$$

is Fréchet smooth in the Fréchet space  $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_\infty^T$  defined by the family of norms  $\|\cdot\|_p$ .

### Theorem 3.

Consider the parametrized SDDE's:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx(t)(u) &= \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x^t(u))X(x(t-\delta)(u)) \circ dW(t), t \geq 0, \\ x^0(u) &= \gamma^0(u) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (26)$$

where  $X$  is smooth and  $\gamma^0(u)$  is smooth in  $u$  as above.

Then  $x(t)(u)$  has a version which is a.s. smooth in  $u$ .

Theorem also holds if noise has a smooth parameter  $u$ :

$$\begin{aligned} dx(t)(u) \\ = \tau_{t,t-\delta}(x^t(u))X(x(t-\delta)(u))(\circ A(u)(t) dW(t) + B(u)(t) dt) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

with initial conditions  $x^0(u) = \gamma^0(u)$ .

## *Proof of Theorem 3-Outline.*

$\alpha := (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k)$  multi-index.

$D^\alpha :=$  partial derivatives of order

$$|\alpha| := \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i.$$

- For a parametrized semimartingale  $\gamma(u)$  on  $M$ , the couple

$$(\gamma(u), \tau_{t,-\delta}^{-1}(\gamma(u))) := \hat{x}(t)(u)$$

satisfies an Itô SDE depending on the parameter  $u$ :

$$\begin{aligned} d\hat{x}(t)(u) &= \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t)(u))A(u)(t) dW(t) \\ &\quad + \hat{Y}(\hat{x}(t)(u))A(u)(t)^2 dt + \hat{Z}(\hat{x}(t)(u))B(u)(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

Since the inverse of the parallel transport is bounded, then  $\hat{Z}$  and  $\hat{Y}$  have

bounded derivatives of all orders. If  $\gamma(u) \in \mathcal{S}_\infty^T$  has a.s. bounded characteristics  $(A(u), B(u))$  which are smooth in  $u$  into the Fréchet space  $\mathcal{S}_\infty^T$ , then the pair  $\hat{x}(t)(u) := (\gamma(u), \tau_{t, -\delta}^{-1}(\gamma(u)))$  has characteristics Fréchet smooth in  $u$ . Follows by differentiating above SDE and applying Burkholder's inequality and Gronwall's lemma.

- Write the SDDE

$$\left. \begin{aligned} dx(t)(u) &= \tau_{t, t-\delta}(x^t(u))X(x(t-\delta)(u)) \circ dW(t), t \geq 0, \\ x^0(u) &= \gamma^0(u) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (26)$$

in the form:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} d\tilde{x}(t)(u) &= g(\hat{x}((t-\delta))(u))dW(t) \\ \tilde{x}^0(u) &= \tilde{\gamma}^0(u) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (*)$$

where  $\hat{x}(t) := (x(t), \tau_{t, -\delta}^{-1}(x))$ ,

$g(y, z) := zX(y)$ , and  $z$  represents parallel transport (orthogonal matrix),  $y \in M$ .

Then  $g$  is bounded and has bounded derivatives of all orders.

$\tilde{\gamma}(t)^0(u) := \int_{-\delta}^t A_s^0(u) dw_s + \int_{-\delta}^t B_s^0 ds$  for  $t < 0$

where  $A^0(u)(\cdot)$  and  $B^0(u)(\cdot)$  are bounded independently of  $u$  and differentiable in  $u$  in all the  $L^p$  semi-martingale norms

$\|\cdot\|_p$ .

Hence  $\tilde{\gamma}(t)^0(u)$  has  $u$ -derivatives of all orders in all  $L^p$  semi-martingale norms.

Follows from Kolmogorov's lemma and Burkholder's inequality.

- For  $t \in [0, \delta]$ ,  $\tilde{x}(t)(u)$  is a.s. differentiable in  $u$  and

$$\begin{aligned} dD^\alpha \tilde{x}(t)(u) \\ = Dg(\hat{x}(t - \delta)(u))D^\alpha \hat{x}(t - \delta)(u) dW(t) + l.o. \end{aligned}$$

where *l.o.* are terms containing lower-order derivatives of  $\tilde{x}(t)(u)$ .

- Get estimate:

$$\sup_{u \in U} \|D^\alpha \tilde{x}(\cdot)(u)\|_p \leq C(p, \alpha)$$

- Use forward steps of length  $\delta$  to prove that  $\tilde{x}(t)(u)$  has a smooth version in  $u$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .



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