

# Local times for systems of non-linear stochastic heat equations

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## Conditions on $b$ and $\sigma$

Let us state the following hypotheses on the coefficients  $\sigma_{k,l}$  and  $b_k$  of the system of non-linear stochastic heat equations (1.1):

**A1** For all  $1 \leq k, l \leq d$  The functions  $\sigma_{k,l}$  and  $b_k$  are bounded and infinitely differentiable such that the partial derivatives of all orders are bounded.

**A2** The matrix  $\sigma$  is uniformly elliptic i.e., there exists  $\rho > 0$  such that for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $\|z\| = 1$ , we have  $\|\sigma(x)z\|^2 \geq \rho^2$  (where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Euclidean norm on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ).

# Mild solution of SHE

The mild solution

$$u_k(t, x) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 G_{t-r}(x, v) \sum_{l=1}^d \sigma_{k,l}(u(r, v)) W^l(dr, dv) + \int_0^t \int_0^1 G_{t-r}(x, v) b_k(u(r, v)) dv dr, \quad (1.2)$$

# Malliavin derivative of the mild solution of SHE

## Proposition (Bally and Pardoux (1998))

Assume **A1**. Then for any  $t \in [0, T]$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$  we have  $u(t, x) \in (\mathbb{D}^\infty)^d$ . Furthermore, its derivative satisfies for all  $r < t$ ,

$$D_{r,v}^{(i)}(u_k(t, x)) = G_{t-r}(x, v) \sigma_{k,i}(u(r, v)) + a_k(i, r, v, t, x),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_k(i, r, v, t, x) = & \sum_{l=1}^d \int_r^t \int_0^1 G_{t-\tau}(x, z) D_{r,v}^{(i)}(\sigma_{k,l}(u(\tau, z))) W^l(d\tau, dz) \\ & + \int_r^t \int_0^1 G_{t-\tau}(x, z) D_{r,v}^{(i)}(b_k(u(\tau, z))) dz d\tau, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$D_{r,v}^{(i)}(u_k(t, x)) = 0 \quad \text{when } r > t. \quad (1.3)$$

# 1<sup>st</sup> goal

## Theorem

Let  $u(t, x)$  be the solution to Eq. (1.1).

- (i) For every  $x \in (0, 1)$ , almost surely, when  $d \leq 3$ , the local time  $L(\xi, t)$  of the process  $(u(t, x); t \in [0, T])$  exists for any fixed  $t$ , moreover,  $L(\bullet, t) \in H^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for  $\alpha < \frac{4-d}{2}$ , where  $H^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is the Sobolev space of index  $\alpha$ ; when  $d \geq 4$ , the local time does not exist in  $L^2(\mathbb{P} \otimes \lambda_d)$  for any  $t$ , here  $\lambda_d$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

- (ii) Assume  $d \leq 3$ . for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , the local time of the process  $(u(t, x); t \in [0, T])$  has a version, denoted by  $L(\xi, t)$ , which is jointly continuous in  $(\xi, t)$  almost surely, and which is  $\gamma$ -Hölder continuous in  $t$ , uniformly in  $\xi$ , for all  $\gamma < 1 - \frac{d}{4}$ : There exist two random variables  $\eta$  and  $\delta$  which are almost surely finite and positive such that

$$\sup_{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d} |L(\xi, t + h) - L(\xi, t)| \leq \eta |h|^\gamma,$$

for all  $t, t + h \in [0, T]$  and all  $|h| < \delta$ .



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Goal

### Theorem

Assume **A1** and **A2**. Then we get the following:

- (a) There exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that for any  $x \in (0, 1)$  fixed, and for all  $0 \leq s < t \leq T$  and  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$p_{s,t,x}(\xi) \geq \frac{c}{(t-s)^{d/4}} \exp\left(-\frac{\|\xi\|^2}{c(t-s)^{1/2}}\right), \quad (1.4)$$

where  $p_{s,t,x}(\xi)$  is the density of the  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued random vector  $(u_1(t, x) - u_1(s, x), \dots, u_d(t, x) - u_d(s, x))$ .

(b) There exists  $c > 0$  such that for any  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$ ,  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $m_{i,k}$  positive integer, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $k = 1, \dots, d$ , and  $\xi = (\xi_{1,1}, \dots, \xi_{1,d}, \dots, \xi_{n,1}, \dots, \xi_{n,d}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \partial_{\xi_{1,1}}^{m_{1,1}} \dots \partial_{\xi_{1,d}}^{m_{1,d}} \dots \partial_{\xi_{n,1}}^{m_{n,1}} \dots \partial_{\xi_{n,d}}^{m_{n,d}} p_{t_1, \dots, t_n, x}(\xi) \right| \\ & \leq c \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(t_i - t_{i-1})^{(d + \sum_{k=1}^d m_{i,k})/4}} \exp\left(-\frac{\|\xi_i\|^2}{c(t_i - t_{i-1})^{1/2}}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

where  $\xi_i = (\xi_{i,1}, \dots, \xi_{i,d})$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Euclidean norm on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and,  $\partial_y^l := \frac{\partial^l}{\partial y^l}$ .

## Elements of the local times

Let  $(\theta_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  be a Borel function with values in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . For any Borel set  $B \subseteq [0, T]$ , the occupation measure of  $\theta$  on  $B$  is given by the following measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\nu_B(\bullet) = \lambda\{t \in B; \theta_t \in \bullet\},$$

where  $\lambda$  is the Lebesgue measure. When  $\nu_B$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda_d$  (the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ), we say that the local time of  $\theta$  on  $B$  exists and it is defined,  $L(\bullet, B)$ , as the Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\nu_B$  with respect to  $\lambda_d$ , i.e., for almost every  $x$ ,

$$L(x, B) = \frac{d\nu_B}{d\lambda_d}(x).$$

The local time satisfies the following occupation formula: for any Borel set  $B \subseteq [0, T]$ , and for every measurable bounded function  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\int_B f(\theta_s) ds = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) L(x, B) dx.$$

- The deterministic function  $\theta$  can be chosen to be the sample path of a separable stochastic process  $(X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  with  $X_0 = 0$  a.s.
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Let us state the following hypotheses on the integrability of the characteristic function of  $X$ :

**B1**

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \int_0^T \int_0^T \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{i\langle u, X_t - X_s \rangle} \right] dt ds du < \infty,$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the Euclidean inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

**B2** For every even integer  $m \geq 2$ ,

$$\int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^m} \int_{[0, T]^m} \left| \mathbb{E} \left[ \exp \left( i \sum_{j=1}^m \langle u_j, X_{t_j} \rangle \right) \right] \right| \prod_{j=1}^m dt_j \prod_{j=1}^m du_j < \infty.$$

## Theorem

*Assume B1.* Then the process  $X$  has a square integrable local time. Moreover, we have almost surely, for all Borel set  $B \subseteq [0, T]$ , and for almost every  $x$ ,

$$L(x, B) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-i\langle u, x \rangle} \int_B e^{i\langle u, X_t \rangle} dt du. \quad (1.6)$$



## Theorem (Berman(1969))

Assume **B1** and **B2**. Put for all integer  $N \geq 1$ ,

$$L_N(x, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{[-N, N]^d} e^{-i\langle u, x \rangle} \int_0^t e^{i\langle u, X_s \rangle} ds du.$$

Then there exists a stochastic process  $\tilde{L}(x, t)$  separable in the  $x$ -variable, such that for each even integer  $m \geq 2$ ,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, T]} \mathbb{E} \left[ |L_N(x, t) - \tilde{L}(x, t)|^m \right] = 0. \quad (1.7)$$

## Theorem (Berman(1969))

*Let  $\tilde{L}(x, t)$  be given by (1.7). If  $\tilde{L}(x, t)$  is almost surely continuous in  $x$ , then it is a (continuous in  $x$ ) version of the local time on  $[0, t]$ .*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}[\tilde{L}(x+k, t+h) - \tilde{L}(x, t+h) - \tilde{L}(x+k, t) + \tilde{L}(x, t)]^m \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{md}} \int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^m} \int_{[t, t+h]^m} \prod_{j=1}^m \left( e^{-i\langle v_j - v_{j+1}, x+k \rangle} - e^{-i\langle v_j - v_{j+1}, x \rangle} \right) \\
&\quad \times \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{i \sum_{j=1}^m \langle v_j, X_{t_j} - X_{t_{j-1}} \rangle} \right] \prod_{j=1}^m dt_j \prod_{j=1}^m dv_j,
\end{aligned} \tag{1.8}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
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&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{md}} \int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^m} \int_{[t, t+h]^m} e^{-i\langle v_1, x \rangle} \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{i \sum_{j=1}^m \langle v_j, X_{t_j} - X_{t_{j-1}} \rangle} \right] \prod_{j=1}^m dt_j \prod_{j=1}^m dv_j,
\end{aligned} \tag{1.9}$$

## For the Gaussian case

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We know that

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That is why we define the local nondeterminism (LND) as:

### Lemma (Berman 1973)

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# The $\alpha$ -LND

## Definition

Let  $X = (X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  be a stochastic process with values in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $J$  a subinterval of  $[0, T]$ . We say that  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -LND on  $J$ , if for every nonnegative integers  $m \geq 2$ ,  $k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{1,d}, \dots, k_{m,1}, \dots, k_{m,d}$ , there exist two positive constants  $c$  and  $\varepsilon$  (both may depend on  $m, k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{1,d}, \dots, k_{m,1}, \dots, k_{m,d}$ ) such that

$$\left| \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{i \sum_{j=1}^m \langle v_j, X_{t_j} - X_{t_{j-1}} \rangle} \right] \right| \leq \frac{c}{\prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{l=1}^d |v_{j,l}|^{k_{j,l}} (t_j - t_{j-1})^{\alpha k_{j,l}}}, \quad (1.11)$$

for all  $v_j = (v_{j,1}, \dots, v_{j,d}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $v_{j,l} \neq 0$  ( $j = 1, \dots, m$  and  $l = 1, \dots, d$ ), and for every ordered points  $t_1 < \dots < t_m$  in  $J$  with  $t_m - t_1 < \varepsilon$  and  $t_0 = \inf(J)$ .



## Remark

- ① Let  $d = 1$  and  $Y = (Y_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  be a centred Gaussian process verifies the classical local nondeterminism (LND) property on  $J$ , we have for any  $m \geq 2$ , there exist two positive constants  $c_m$  and  $\varepsilon$  such that for every ordered points  $t_1 < \dots < t_m$  in  $J$  with  $t_m - t_1 < \varepsilon$ , and  $(v_1, \dots, v_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  with  $(v_1, \dots, v_m) \neq (0, \dots, 0)$ ,

$$\text{Var} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m v_j (Y_{t_j} - Y_{t_{j-1}}) \right) \geq c_m \sum_{j=1}^m v_j^2 \text{Var} (Y_{t_j} - Y_{t_{j-1}}). \quad (1.12)$$

Assume also that there exists a positive constant  $K$ , such that for every  $s, t \in J$  with  $s < t$ ,

$$K(t - s)^{2\alpha} \leq \text{Var} (Y_t - Y_s). \quad (1.13)$$

Hence  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -LND on  $J$ .

- 1 Let  $d > 1$  and  $Y^0 = (Y_t^0)_{t \in [0, T]}$  be a real-valued centred Gaussian process verifies the classical local nondeterminism (LND) property on  $J$  (i.e. (1.12)) and (1.13). Define

$$Y_t = (Y_t^1, \dots, Y_t^d),$$

where  $Y^1, \dots, Y^d$  are independent copies of  $Y^0$ . Then  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -LND on  $J$ .

# Elements of Malliavin calculus

Let  $(W^i(t, x), t \in [0, T], x \in [0, 1]), i = 1, \dots, d$ , be  $d$ -independent space-time white noises defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , and put  $W = (W^1, \dots, W^d)$ . For any  $h \in \mathcal{H} := L^2([0, T] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{R}^d)$ , we set  $W(h) = \sum_{i=1}^d \int_0^T \int_0^1 h^i(t, x) W^i(dx, dt)$  the Wiener integral. Denote by  $\mathcal{S}$  the class of cylindrical random variables of the form

$$F = \varphi(W(h_1), \dots, W(h_n)).$$

$$F \in \mathcal{S}$$

$$D_{t,x}^{(l)} F = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x_i}(W(h_1), \dots, W(h_n)) h_i^l(t, x).$$

$$\mathcal{H} := L^2([0, T] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{s,t} := L^2([s, t] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{R}^d).$$

For any  $F, G \in \mathbb{D}^{1,p}$  we point out that

$$\langle DF, DG \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{l=1}^d \int_0^T \int_0^1 D_{r,x}^{(l)} F D_{r,x}^{(l)} G dr dx,$$

and

$$\langle DF, DG \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{s,t}} = \sum_{l=1}^d \int_s^t \int_0^1 D_{r,x}^{(l)} F D_{r,x}^{(l)} G dr dx.$$

# New definition for the Malliavin matrix

## Definition

Let  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$  and  $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$  be a  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ -valued random vector such that for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $F_i = (F_{i,1}, \dots, F_{i,d})$  where  $F_{i,k} \in \mathbb{D}^{1,p}$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq k \leq d$ . We define the following matrices, for every  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ ,

$$\Gamma^{i,j} = \left( \Gamma_{k,l}^{i,j} \right)_{1 \leq k, l \leq d} \quad \text{where} \quad \Gamma_{k,l}^{i,j} = \langle DF_{i,k}, DF_{j,l} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{t_{i-1}, t_i}}.$$

where  $\mathcal{H}_{t_{i-1}, t_i} = L^2([t_{i-1}, t_i] \times [0, 1])$  we write  $\Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n}$  for the Malliavin matrix of  $F$  with respect to  $t_1, \dots, t_n$ . That is, the following block matrix

$$\Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n} = \left( \Gamma^{i,j} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}.$$

For  $d = 1$ .

$\Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n} =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle DF^1, DF^1 \rangle_{L^2([t_0, t_1] \times [0, 1])} & \cdots & \langle DF^1, DF^n \rangle_{L^2([t_0, t_1] \times [0, 1])} \\ \langle DF^2, DF^1 \rangle_{L^2([t_1, t_2] \times [0, 1])} & \cdots & \langle DF^2, DF^n \rangle_{L^2([t_1, t_2] \times [0, 1])} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle DF^n, DF^1 \rangle_{L^2([t_{n-1}, t_n] \times [0, 1])} & \cdots & \langle DF^n, DF^n \rangle_{L^2([t_{n-1}, t_n] \times [0, 1])} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Definition

Let  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$  and  $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$  be a  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ -valued random vector such that  $F_i = (F_{i,1}, \dots, F_{i,d})$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .  $F$  is said to be nondegenerate with respect to  $t_1, \dots, t_n$ , if it satisfies the following three conditions:

- (i) For all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $k = 1, \dots, d$ ,  $F_{i,k} \in \mathbb{D}^\infty$ .
- (ii)  $\Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n}$  is invertible a.s. and we denote by  $\Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n}^{-1}$  its inverse.
- (iii)  $(\det \Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n})^{-1} \in L^p$  for all  $p \geq 1$ .

# Integration by parts

## Proposition

Let  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$  and  $F = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$  be a nondegenerate with respect to  $t_1, \dots, t_n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ -valued random vector such that,  $F_i = (F_{i,1}, \dots, F_{i,d})$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Let  $G \in \mathbb{D}^\infty$  and let  $g(x_{1,1}, \dots, x_{1,d}, \dots, x_{n,1}, \dots, x_{n,d}) \in C_p^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n \times d})$ . Fix  $m \geq 1$ . For any multi-index  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$  with  $\beta_\theta = (i_\theta, k_\theta) \in \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, d\}$ , for  $\theta = 1, \dots, m$ , we introduce the following notations:

$$\partial_{\beta_\theta} := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i_\theta, k_\theta}} \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_\beta := \partial_{\beta_1} \cdots \partial_{\beta_m}, \quad \text{for } \theta = 1, \dots, m.$$

Then for any  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$ , there exists  $H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^\beta(F, G) \in \mathbb{D}^\infty$  such that

$$\mathbb{E}[(\partial_\beta g)(F)G] = \mathbb{E}\left[g(F)H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^\beta(F, G)\right], \quad (1.14)$$



where the random variables  $H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^\beta(F, G)$  are recursively given by

$$H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^{(i,k)}(F, G) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^d \delta \left( G \left( \Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n}^{-1} \right)_{k,l}^{i,j} DF_{j,l} \mathbb{1}_{[t_{j-1}, t_j] \times [0, 1]} \right), \quad (1.15)$$

$$H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^\beta(F, G) = H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^{\beta_m} \left( F, H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^{(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{m-1})}(F, G) \right). \quad (1.16)$$

For  $d = 1$ . Put  $F = (X_{t_1} - X_{t_0}, \dots, X_{t_m} - X_{t_{m-1}})$  and

$$\partial_\beta = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\beta_1}} \cdots \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\beta_n}}.$$

On one hand, we have by integration by parts

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## Theorem (Nualart (The Malliavin Calculus and Related Topics) )

*There exist constants  $\beta, \gamma > 1$  and integers  $n, m$  such that*

$$\|H_\alpha(F, G)\|_p \leq \| \det \gamma_F^{-1} \|_\beta^m \|DF\|_{k,\gamma}^n \|G\|_{k,q}.$$

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$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$  and  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$  with  $\beta_\theta = (i_\theta, k_\theta) \in \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, d\}$ , for  $\theta = 1, \dots, m$ , then there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| H_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^\beta(F, 1) \right\|_{0,2} &\leq C \left\| (\det \Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n})^{-1} \right\|_{m, 2^{m+2}}^m \\ &\cdot \prod_{\theta=1}^m \|DF_{i_\theta, k_\theta}\|_{m, 2^{2(m+n \times d)}, \mathcal{H}} \prod_{(i_0, k_0) \in O_{(i_\theta, k_\theta)}} \|DF_{i_0, k_0}\|_{m, 2^{2(m+n \times d)}, \mathcal{H}}^2, \end{aligned} \tag{1.20}$$

where  $O_{(i_\theta, k_\theta)} = \{(i_0, k_0) \in \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, d\}; (i_0, k_0) \neq (i_\theta, k_\theta)\}$ .

## Estimation of $\|DF_{i,k}\|_{k,p}$

Proposition (Dalang, Khoshnevisan, and E. Nualart (2009))

*Assume A1.* Then for any  $s, t \in [0, T]$  with  $s \leq t$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,  $p > 1$ , and  $m \geq 1$ ,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \|D^m(u_k(t, x) - u_k(s, x))\|_{\mathcal{H}^{\otimes m}}^p \right] \leq C_T |t - s|^{p/4}, \quad k = 1, \dots, d.$$

## Estimation of $\| (\det \Gamma_{F, t_1, \dots, t_n})^{-1} \|_{k,p}$

$$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$$

$$Z = (u(t_1, x) - u(t_0, x), \dots, u(t_n, x) - u(t_{n-1}, x)), \quad (1.21)$$

where

$$u(t_i, x) - u(t_{i-1}, x) = (u_1(t_i, x) - u_1(t_{i-1}, x), \dots, u_d(t_i, x) - u_d(t_{i-1}, x))$$

Let  $\Gamma_{Z, t_1, \dots, t_n}$  be the Malliavin matrix of  $Z$  with respect to  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  ( $Z$  is given by (1.21)). Note that  $\Gamma_{Z, t_1, \dots, t_n} = (\Gamma^{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$  is the random block matrix, of the form

$$\Gamma_{k,l}^{ij} = \langle D(u_k(t_i, x) - u_k(t_{i-1}, x)), D(u_l(t_j, x) - u_l(t_{j-1}, x)) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_{t_{i-1}, t_i}},$$

where  $\mathcal{H}_{t_{i-1}, t_i} = L^2([t_{i-1}, t_i] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{R}^d)$ .

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# The non-linear SHE is $\frac{1}{4}$ -LND

## Theorem

Let  $u(t, x)$  be given by (1.2). Hence, for each fixed  $x \in (0, 1)$ , for every nonnegative integers  $m \geq 2$ ,  $k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{1,d}, \dots, k_{m,1}, \dots, k_{m,d}$ , there exists a constant  $c = c(m, k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{1,d}, \dots, k_{m,1}, \dots, k_{m,d})$  such that

$$\left| \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{i \sum_{j=1}^m \langle v_j, u(t_j, x) - u(t_{j-1}, x) \rangle} \right] \right| \leq \frac{c}{\prod_{j=1}^m \prod_{l=1}^d |v_{j,l}|^{k_{j,l}} (t_j - t_{j-1})^{\frac{1}{4} k_{j,l}}}, \quad (1.25)$$

for all  $v_j = (v_{j,1}, \dots, v_{j,d}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $v_{j,l} \neq 0$  ( $j = 1, \dots, m$  and  $l = 1, \dots, d$ ), for each  $t \in [0, T)$ , and for every ordered points  $t = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m$  in  $[0, T]$ . We said that the process  $(u(t, x), t \in [0, T])$  is  $\frac{1}{4}$ -LND on  $[t, T]$  for each fixed  $t \in [0, T)$ .

## Existence of local time when $d \leq 3$

Let  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we define the Sobolev space  $H^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$  as:

$$H^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d) = \left\{ g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d); (1 + \|\xi\|^2)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \hat{g} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \right\},$$

### Theorem

Let  $u(t, x)$  be given by (1.2). Assume that  $d \leq 3$ , then for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , the process  $(u(t, x); t \in [0, T])$  has local time  $L(\xi, t)$ . Moreover, for every fixed  $t$ ,  $L(\bullet, t) \in H^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for  $\alpha < \frac{4-d}{2}$ .



# The local time does not exist for $d \geq 4$

## Theorem

Let  $u(t, x)$  be given by (1.2). Assume that  $d \geq 4$ , then for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , the process  $(u(t, x); t \in [0, T])$  does not have a local time  $L(\xi, t)$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{P} \otimes \lambda_d)$  for any  $t \in [0, T]$ .

## Lemma

Let  $u(t, x)$  be given by (1.2). Assume  $d \leq 3$ . Let  $\tilde{L}(\xi, t)$  be given as in (1.7), therefore, for every  $\xi, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $t, t+h \in [0, T]$ , and even integer  $m \geq 2$ ,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \tilde{L}(\xi, t+h) - \tilde{L}(\xi, t) \right]^m \leq C_m |h|^{m(1-\frac{d}{4})}. \quad (1.26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} \left[ \tilde{L}(\xi+y, t+h) - \tilde{L}(\xi, t+h) - \tilde{L}(\xi+y, t) + \tilde{L}(\xi, t) \right]^m \\ & \leq C_{m,\theta} \|y\|^{m\theta} |h|^{m(1-\frac{d}{4}-\frac{\theta}{4})}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.27)$$

where  $0 < \theta < (\frac{4-d}{2}) \wedge 1$ .

## Theorem

Assume  $d \leq 3$ . for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , the local time of the process  $(u(t, x); t \in [0, T])$  has a version, denoted by  $L(\xi, t)$ , which is jointly continuous in  $(\xi, t)$  almost surely.

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## Corollary

*Let  $u(t, x)$  be given by (1.2). Assume  $d \leq 3$ . Then for each  $x \in (0, 1)$ , all coordinate functions of  $(u(t, x), t \in [0, T])$  are nowhere Hölder continuous of order greater than  $\frac{1}{4}$ .*

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