

Rough paths

Motivation: First smooth paths.

Setup: V = normed vector space

$X: [0, T] \rightarrow V$ cont. function.

X = smooth $\iff V'(X, [0, T]) < \infty$.

Then $\forall 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T, \forall n \geq 1$:

$$X_{s,t}^n := \int_{s < u_1 < \dots < u_n \leq t} dX_{u_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dX_{u_n} \in V^{\otimes n}$$

For $\|\cdot\|$ = norm induced on $V^{\otimes n}$

$$\|X_{s,t}^n\| \leq \frac{1}{n!} V'(X, [0, T])^n$$

Thm (Chen's identity) For X smooth:

$$\forall s \leq u \leq t, \forall n \geq 1: X_{s,t}^n = \sum_{k=0}^n X_{s,u}^k \otimes X_{u,t}^{n-k}$$

where $X_{s,t}^0 := 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf: } X_{s,t}^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \int_{s < u_1 < \dots < u_k < u < u_{k+1} < \dots < u_n < t} dX_{u_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dX_{u_n} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\int_{s < u_1 < \dots < u_k < u} dX_{u_1} \otimes \dots \otimes dX_{u_k} \right) \otimes \left(\int_{u < u_{k+1} < \dots < u_n < t} dX_{u_{k+1}} \otimes \dots \otimes dX_{u_n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

This leads to an algebraic structure:

$$S(X) = (1, X_{s,t}^1, X_{s,t}^2, \dots) \in \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} V^{\otimes k} \dots \text{signature of } X.$$

Then Chen's identity becomes: $S(X * Y) = S(X) \otimes S(Y)$

concatenation

Gives rise to Lie group structure

Now axiomatic approach to rough signals

Denote $\Delta_T := \{(s, t) \in [0, T] \times [0, T] : s \leq t\}$

Def Give $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, a (continuous) function $X : \Delta_T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k=0}^n V^{\otimes k}$
is a multiplicative functional of degree n if $X_{s,t} = (X_{s,t}^1, X_{s,t}^2, \dots, X_{s,t}^n)$

obeys: $\forall s, t \in \Delta_T : X_{s,t}^0 = 1$

and $\forall k=1 \dots n \quad \forall 0 \leq s \leq u \leq t \leq T : X_{s,t}^k = \sum_{j=0}^k X_{s,u}^j \otimes X_{u,t}^{k-j}$

Ex Iterated integrals of 1-variation factor obey this

Ex Same even for p -variation functions with $p < 2$

Ex $\parallel (1, 0, \dots, (t-s))$

Ex Itô + Stratonovich examples later

To impose regularity restrictions, we need:

Def A control is a map $\omega: \Delta_T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t.

- ω is continuous
- $\forall t \in [0, T]: \omega(t, t) = 0$
- $\forall 0 \leq s \leq u \leq t \leq T: \omega(s, u) + \omega(u, t) \leq \omega(s, t)$

Ex $\omega(s, t) = V^p(f, [s, t])$

So "metric" is really $\omega(s, t)^{1/p}$.

Ex $\omega(s, t) = |t - s|^p$

Def: Let $p \geq 1$ be real, $n \geq 1$ an integer, ω a control on $[0, T]$.

A functional $X: \Delta_T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k=0}^n V^{\otimes k}$ has finite p -variation controlled by ω

$\iff \forall k=1 \dots n \quad \forall s, t \in \Delta_T: \|X_{st}^k\| \leq \frac{\omega(s, t)^{k/p}}{\beta \Gamma(k/p + 1)}$

where $\beta \geq \beta_p := 2p^2 \left(1 + \sum_{r=2}^{\lfloor p/2 \rfloor} \left(\frac{2}{r-2} \right)^{\frac{p+1}{2}} \right)$

Ex Itô Brownian path (degree 2)

$$X = \left(1, B_t - B_s, \frac{1}{2}(B_t - B_s)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(t-s) \right)$$

Ex Stratonovich Brownian path (degree 2)

$$X = \left(1, B_t - B_s, \frac{1}{2}(B_t - B_s)^2 \right)$$

finite p-variation
for $p > 2$.

Thm (Extension Thm) Let $p \geq 1$ be real, $n \geq \lfloor p \rfloor$ an integer.

Then for each multiplicative functional $X: \Delta_T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k=0}^n V^{\otimes k}$ of

degree n and finite p -variation w.r.t. some control ω

there exists an extension $\bar{X}: \Delta_T \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} V^{\otimes k}$ that is multiplicative to any degree and obeys: $(\beta \geq \beta_p)$

$$\forall k \geq 1 \quad \forall (s,t) \in \Delta_T: \quad \|\bar{X}_{s,t}^k\| \leq \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\omega(s,t)^{k/p}}{\Gamma(k/p + 1)}$$

Pf of uniqueness. Let $\bar{X}, \bar{Y}$ be multiplicative of degree $n+1$ extending X and controlled by ω in p -variation.

Chen's relation: $\forall s \leq u \leq t$:

$$\bar{X}_{sit}^{n+1} = \bar{X}_{sin}^{n+1} + \sum_{k=1}^n X_{sin}^k X_{uit}^{n-k+1} + \bar{X}_{uit}^{n+1}$$

$$\bar{Y}_{sit}^{n+1} = \bar{Y}_{sin}^{n+1} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \bar{Y}_{uit}^{n+1}$$

Setting $\psi_{u,v} = \bar{X}_{u,v}^{n+1} - \bar{Y}_{u,v}^{n+1}$ we get

$$\psi_{sit} = \psi_{sin} + \psi_{uit}$$

Setting $\varphi_t := \psi_{0,t}$ we get $\psi_{sit} = \varphi_t - \varphi_s$.

New p -variation restriction gives

$$\|\varphi_t - \varphi_s\| = \|\bar{X}_{sit}^{n+1} - \bar{Y}_{sit}^{n+1}\| \leq K \omega(s,t)^{\frac{n+1}{p}}$$

Partition $[0, T]$ into intervals $[t_{i-1}, t_i]$ s.t. $\omega(t_{i-1}, t_i) < \varepsilon$. (Exists by Cousin's thm).

Then $\sum_{i=1}^n \|\varphi_{t_i} - \varphi_{t_{i-1}}\| \leq K \sum_{i=1}^n \omega(t_{i-1}, t_i)^{\frac{n+1}{p}} \leq K \varepsilon^{\frac{n+1}{p}-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \omega(t_{i-1}, t_i) \leq K \varepsilon^{\frac{n+1}{p}-1} \omega(0, T)$

So $V'(\varphi, [0, T]) = 0$ (because $\frac{n+1}{p} > 1$) and so $\bar{X}_{sit}^{n+1} = \bar{Y}_{sit}^{n+1} \quad \forall (s,t) \in \Delta_T$. $\square$

Why does this lead to reasonable theory of ODEs?

Consider ODE: $dY_t = h(Y_t) dX_t$ where $X_t: [0, T] \rightarrow V$.

Assume h has as many derivatives as you need: Assume X smooth too for now.

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &= Y_0 + \int_0^t h(Y_s) dX_s \\ &= Y_0 + h(Y_0) \int_0^t dX_s + \int_0^t (h(Y_s) - h(Y_0)) dX_s \\ &= \text{---} + \int_0^t \left(\int_0^s h'(Y_u) h(Y_u) dX_u \right) dX_s \end{aligned} \quad (h: W \rightarrow L(V, W))$$

Idea Define $h_1(y) = h'(y)h(y)$ & iterate

This gives:

$$Y_t = Y_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n h_k(Y_0) \int_{0 \leq u_1 \dots \leq u_n \leq t} dX_{u_1} \dots dX_{u_n} \\ + \int_{0 \leq u_1 \dots \leq u_{n+1} \leq t} [h_n(Y_{u_1}) - h_n(Y_0)] dX_{u_1} \dots dX_{u_{n+1}}$$

where h_k recursively defined by $h_{k+1} = (h'_k)h$