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Interface dynamics with correlated noise: Emergent symmetries and non-universal observables

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Interface dynamics



The Kardar–Parisi–Zhang (KPZ) equation is a model for the dynamics of interfaces with

- Non-Equilibrium scale invariance
- a mathematically exact solution



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Motivation

The main objective is to understand the effect of a correlated noise on the dynamics of the Kardar–Parisi–Zhang (KPZ) steady-state.

In particular I plan on:

- Capturing the physics of the stationary state at **all** scales.
- Using the Functional Renormalisation Group (FRG)

Spatial correlations can be used to model

- existing microscopic correlations.
- a large scales driving mechanism.

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Based on...

This exploits the formalism, approximation scheme and numerical code developed in

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Kardar–Parisi–Zhang (KPZ) equation

A model for interface growth,

$$\partial_t h = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left[\boldsymbol{\nabla} h \right]^2 + \nu \nabla^2 h + \eta$$

$$\langle \eta \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \eta(\mathbf{x}, t) \eta(\mathbf{x}', t') \rangle = D \, \delta(t - t') \, \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$$



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Set-up

$$\partial_t h = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left[\nabla h \right]^2 + \nu \Delta h + \eta ,$$

 $\langle \eta \rangle = 0 , \qquad \langle \eta(t, \mathbf{x}) \eta(t', \mathbf{x}') \rangle = 2D\delta(t - t') R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') .$

The interface is propagating in a correlated environment.

$$R_{\xi}(\mathbf{r}) = rac{1}{\left(\sqrt{2\pi}\xi\right)^d} \mathrm{e}^{-rac{r^2}{2\xi^2}}, \qquad R_{\xi}(\mathbf{p}) = \mathrm{e}^{-rac{\xi^2 p^2}{2}}.$$

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 $\langle \eta \rangle = 0 , \qquad \langle \eta(t, \mathbf{x}) \eta(t', \mathbf{x}') \rangle = 2 \quad \delta(t - t') R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') .$

The interface is propagating in a correlated environment

$$R_{\xi}(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \ \xi} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\xi^2}}, \qquad R_{\xi}(\mathbf{p}) = e^{-\frac{\xi^2 \rho^2}{2}}.$$

Choose d = 1 and pick simpler units:

$$\xi \to \xi \, \frac{2D\lambda^2}{\nu^3} \, .$$

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KPZ field theory

Stationary-state observables are generated by

$$Z\left[J\right] = \langle e^{\int_{t,\mathbf{x}} J(t,\mathbf{x})h(t,\mathbf{x})} \rangle$$

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KPZ field theory

Stationary-state observables are generated by

$$Z[J] = \langle e^{\int_{t,\mathbf{x}} J(t,\mathbf{x})h(t,\mathbf{x})} \rangle \sim \int DhD\tilde{h} e^{-S[h,\tilde{h}] + \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} J(t,\mathbf{x})h(t,\mathbf{x})},$$

with

$$S = \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} \tilde{h} \left\{ \partial_t h - \frac{1}{2} \left[\boldsymbol{\nabla} h \right]^2 - \nabla^2 h \right\} - \int_{t,\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}} \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{x}) \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{y}) R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) \, .$$

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Time-Reversal Symmetry

$$S = \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} \tilde{h} \left\{ \partial_t h - \frac{1}{2} \left[\boldsymbol{\nabla} h \right]^2 - \nabla^2 h \right\} - \int_{t,\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}} \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{x}) \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{y}) R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}),$$

is symmetric under

$$\begin{array}{c} h'(t,\mathbf{x}) = -h(-t,\mathbf{x}) \\ \tilde{h}'(t,\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{h}(-t,\mathbf{x}) + \nabla^2 h(-t,\mathbf{x}) \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Time Reversal}$$

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Time-Reversal Symmetry

$$S = \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} \tilde{h} \left\{ \partial_t h - \lambda \frac{1}{2} \left[\boldsymbol{\nabla} h \right]^2 - \nu \nabla^2 h \right\} - D \int_{t,\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}} \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{x}) \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{y}) R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}),$$

is symmetric under

$$\begin{aligned} & h'(t,\mathbf{x}) = -h(-t,\mathbf{x}) \\ & \tilde{h}'(t,\mathbf{x}) = \tilde{h}(-t,\mathbf{x}) + \frac{\nu}{D} \nabla^2 h(-t,\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned} \right\} & \text{Time Reversal only} \\ & d = 1 \text{ and } \xi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\xi = 0 \rightarrow R_{\xi}(\mathbf{r}) = \delta(\mathbf{r})$$

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The Functional Renormalisation Group (FRG)

The FRG is a non-perturbative incarnation of the Renormalisation Group (RG). It focuses on constructing the 1PI effective action by gradually including fluctuations on increasingly large scales.

A momentum space cut-off scale k, is introduced and fluctuations with momenta larger than k are integrated out,

$$e^{-\Gamma_k[h,\tilde{h}]} = \int \Pi_{p>k} dh(p) d\tilde{h}(p) e^{-S[h,\tilde{h}]}$$

 $\Gamma_k[h, \tilde{h}]$ interpolates between the bare action and the generating function of observables

$$\Gamma_{k\to\infty}[h,\tilde{h}] = S[h,\tilde{h}]$$

$$\Gamma_{k\to0}[h,\tilde{h}] = \Gamma[h,\tilde{h}] = -\ln \left[Z[J(h)] \right]$$

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Decoupling of scales

 $\Gamma_k[h, \tilde{h}]$ provides

- observable quantities for $p \gg k$
- an effective microscopic action for $p \ll k$



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Approximation scheme

The action for the stationary state fluctuations is

$$S = \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \tilde{h}D_t h - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 h & \tilde{h} + \tilde{h} & \nabla^2 h \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ - \int_{t,\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{x})\tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{y}) R_{\xi}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}),$$

with

$$D_t h = \partial_t h - \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\nabla} h)^2$$

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Approximation scheme

The ansatz for the flowing effective action is

$$\begin{split} \Gamma_k &= \int_{t,\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \tilde{h} D_t h - \frac{1}{2} \left[\nabla^2 h f_k^{\nu} \tilde{h} + \tilde{h} f_k^{\nu} \nabla^2 h \right] \right\} \\ &- \int_{t,\mathbf{x},t',\mathbf{y}} \tilde{h}(t,\mathbf{x}) \tilde{h}(t',\mathbf{y}) f_k^D \,, \end{split}$$

with effective driving and dissipation

$$D_t h = \partial_t h - \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\nabla} h)^2, \quad f_k^X = f_k^X (-\tilde{D}_t^2, -\nabla^2), \quad \tilde{D}_t = \partial_t - \boldsymbol{\nabla} h \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}$$

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The RG flow

When Γ_k is expressed in terms of variables that are rescaled with k,

$$\begin{split} \hat{f}_{k}^{D}(\hat{\omega}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}) &= \frac{f_{k}^{D}(\omega, \mathbf{p})}{D_{k}}, \qquad \hat{f}_{k}^{\nu}(\hat{\omega}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}) &= \frac{f_{k}^{\nu}(\omega, \mathbf{p})}{\nu_{k}}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{p}} &= \frac{p}{k}, \qquad \qquad \hat{\omega} &= \frac{\omega}{k^{2}\nu_{k}}, \\ D_{k} &= f_{k}^{D}(0, \mathbf{0}), \qquad \qquad \nu_{k} &= f_{k}^{\nu}(0, \mathbf{0}), \end{split}$$

the RG flow is expressed in terms of dimensionless objects and k drops out of the flow equations.

In particular a fixed point of the RG flow signals scale invariance.

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A film of the RG flow



Different models correspond to different RG flow initial conditions.

 $\begin{array}{c} f_{\Lambda}^{D}(\omega,\mathbf{p}) & f_{\Lambda}^{\nu}(\omega,\mathbf{p}) \\ 1 & 1 \\ e^{-(p/2)^{2}/2} & 1 \\ e^{-[(p-30)/10]^{2}/2} & 1 \\ 1 & 1 + e^{-[(p-30)/10]^{2}/2} \\ 1 + \frac{4}{3} e^{-(p/10)^{2}/2} \sin \left[\pi(\sqrt{(p/5)^{2}+1}-1) \right] & 1 \end{array}$

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KPZ fixed point

The ($\xi = 0$) KPZ fixed point seems to be reached for almost any choice of $R_{\xi}(r)$.

The large scale physics is universal and, up to normalisation factors does **not depend on** $\boldsymbol{\xi}$.

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Two-Point correlation function

The stationary-state two-point correlation function is

$$\mathcal{G}_{\xi}(au,\mathbf{r}) = \langle h(t+ au,\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r})h(t,\mathbf{x})
angle - \langle h(t+ au,\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r})
angle \langle h(t,\mathbf{x})
angle \,.$$

The FRG provides directly its Fourier transform

$$G_{\xi}(\omega,\mathbf{p}) = \int_{\tau,\mathbf{r}} e^{\mathrm{i}(\omega t - \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r})} G_{\xi}(\tau,\mathbf{r}) = \lim_{k \to 0} \frac{2f_k^D(\omega,\mathbf{p})}{\omega^2 + \left[f_k^{\nu}(\omega,\mathbf{p})\rho^2\right]^2}.$$

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Infrared (IR) data collapse

Large scale physics is described by the usual KPZ fixed point. Then

$$G_{\xi}(\omega,\mathbf{p})=p^{-7/2}~G_{\xi}\left(rac{\omega}{p^{3/2}}
ight) \quad ext{for}~p\ll 1/\xi ext{ and }\omega\ll (1/\xi)^{3/2}\,.$$

G(x) is universal up to normalisation factors

$$G_{\xi}(x) = \alpha_{\xi} G_0(\beta_{\xi} x).$$

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IR data collapse

- Plot $p^{7/2} G_0(x p^{3/2}, p)$ against $x = \omega/p^{3/2}$.
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IR data collapse

- Plot $p^{7/2} G_0(x p^{3/2}, p)$ against $x = \omega/p^{3/2}$.
- Extract G₀(x).
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- Plot $p^{7/2} G_{\xi}(x p^{3/2}, p)$ for $\mathbf{p} < \mathbf{K} \lesssim 1/\xi$ and $\omega < K^{3/2}$.

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- Plot $p^{7/2} G_{\xi}(x p^{3/2}, p)$ for $\mathbf{p} < \mathbf{K} \lesssim 1/\xi$ and $\omega < K^{3/2}$.
- Fit this with $\alpha_{\xi} \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{0}}(\beta_{\xi} \mathbf{x})$.
- The variance of the fit tells if the scaling function is $G_0(x)$.

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Equal time correlation functions

The equal time two-point function

$$ar{C}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \left[h(t, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) - h(t, \mathbf{x}) - \langle h(t, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r})
angle + \langle h(t, \mathbf{x})
angle
ight]^2
angle$$

measures the fluctuations of h.

 $\bar{R}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \bar{C}(\mathbf{r})$ measures the fluctuations of $\mathbf{u} = \nabla h$.

I computed the Fourier transform of $\bar{R}(\mathbf{r})$,

$$ar{R}(\mathbf{p}) = p^2 \int_\omega G_\xi(\omega,\mathbf{p}) \, .$$

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Equal time correlation functions

The FRG results can be compared to direct numerical simulations



This contains a correlation-time: Galilee symmetry is emergent!

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 $\tilde{D}(\xi)$ is defined through

$$\tilde{D}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbf{r}} \bar{R}(\mathbf{r}), \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{C}(\mathbf{r}) = \tilde{D}(\xi) |\mathbf{r}|_{\xi}$$

lt is

- easily observable.
- a measure of the large scale effects of ξ.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{It is an exact result that} & \tilde{D}(0) = 1\,, \\ \text{and it was predicted} & \tilde{D}(\xi) \sim \frac{1}{\xi^{1/3}}\,, \ \text{for } \xi \gg 1\,. \end{array}$

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- The TR symmetry is **emergent** at large spatial scales.
- Up to normalisation factors, the IR physics can be extracted from the known $\xi = 0$ case.
- The FRG gives access to non-universal quantities.

Straightforward extensions include:

- Computing three-point correlation functions
- Arbitrary $R_{\xi}(r)$

Interesting extensions include:

- Burgers turbulence at large ξ .
 - Energy cascade
 - Multi-scaling
- Anisotropic disorder $R o R_{m{\xi}}({f r})$

Supplementary material



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