

KPZ EQUATION WITH FRACTIONAL DERIVATIVES OF WHITE NOISE

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We discuss the stochastic partial differential equation

$$(1) \quad \partial_t h(t, x) = \partial_x^2 h(t, x) + (\partial_x h(t, x))^2 + \partial_x^\gamma \xi(t, x)$$

for $(t, x) \in [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{T}$ with $\gamma \geq 0$. Here, ξ is a space-time white noise on $[0, \infty) \times \mathbb{T}$ and $\partial_x^\gamma = -(-\partial_x^2)^{\frac{\gamma}{2}}$ is the fractional derivative. When $\gamma = 0$, this equation is called KPZ equation, which is proposed in [3] as a model of surface growth. Hairer discussed the solvability of KPZ equation in [1]. He showed in [1] that the renormalized equation

$$(2) \quad \partial_t h_\epsilon(t, x) = \partial_x^2 h_\epsilon(t, x) + (\partial_x h_\epsilon(t, x))^2 - C_\epsilon + \xi_\epsilon(t, x),$$

where ξ_ϵ is a smooth approximation of ξ and $C_\epsilon \sim \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ is a sequence of constants, has a unique limiting process h , which is independent of the way to approximate ξ .

Our goal is to make the noise rougher and see to what extent this theory works. Because of the “local subcriticality” ([2]), we can expect that the similar results hold if $\gamma < \frac{1}{2}$. However, we show that the renormalization like (2) is possible only for $0 \leq \gamma < \frac{1}{4}$.

Theorem 1. *Let $\rho = \rho(t, x)$ be a function on $\mathbb{R}^2$ which is smooth, compactly supported, symmetric in x , nonnegative, and satisfies $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \rho(t, x) dt dx = 1$. Let $0 \leq \gamma < \frac{1}{4}$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2} - \gamma$. Then there exists a sequence of constants C_ϵ such that*

- (1) *We have $C_\epsilon \leq C\epsilon^{-1-2\gamma}$ for some constant C (depending on γ and ρ).*
- (2) *For every initial condition $h_0 \in C^\alpha(\mathbb{T})$, the sequence of solutions h_ϵ to the equation:*

$$\partial_t h_\epsilon(t, x) = \partial_x^2 h_\epsilon(t, x) + (\partial_x h_\epsilon(t, x))^2 - C_\epsilon + \partial_x^\gamma \xi_\epsilon(t, x)$$

on $(t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{T}$ for some random time T , converges to a unique stochastic process h , which is independent of the choice of ρ .

This convergence holds in probability in the uniform norm on all compact sets in $[0, T) \times \mathbb{T}$ and α -Hölder norm on all compact sets in $(0, T) \times \mathbb{T}$.

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