

# Yudovich theory for rough perturbations of Euler's equation

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Euler's equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla u + \nabla p = 0 \\ \operatorname{div} u = 0 \end{cases}$$

models an idealized / inviscid fluid.

$$u : [0, \pi] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{velocity}$$

$$p : [0, \pi] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{pressure}$$

Given  $u$ , consider Lagrangian trajectories

$$\dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t)$$

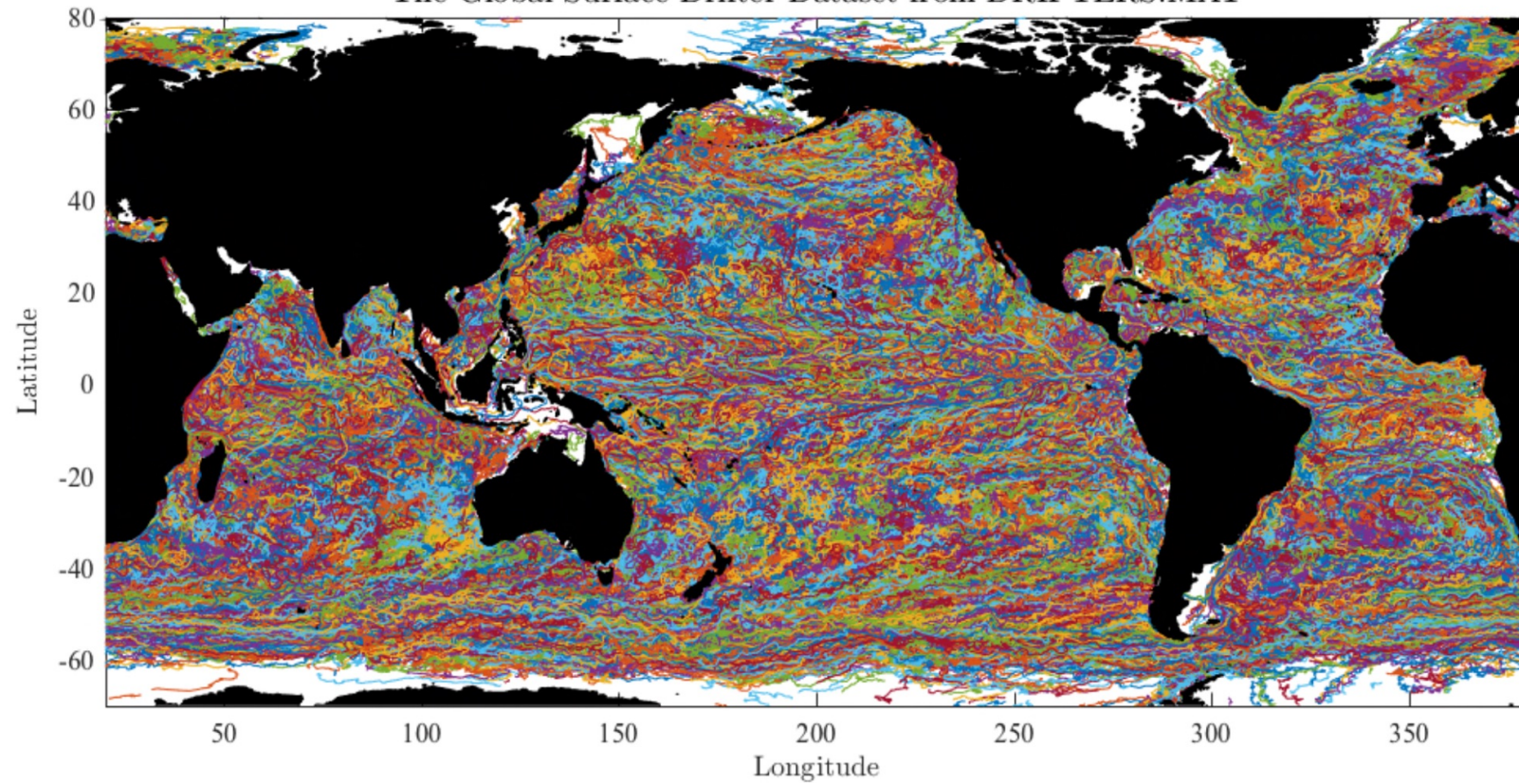


FIGURE 1.1. This figure shows latitude and longitude of Lagrangian trajectories of drifters on the ocean surface driven by the wind and ocean currents, as compiled from satellite observations by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Global Drifter Program. Each colour corresponds to a different drifter, see [33]. Upon looking carefully at the individual Lagrangian paths in this figure, one sees that each of them evolves as a mean drift flow, composed with an erratic flow comprising rapid fluctuations around the mean.

(from [Crisan, Holm, Flandoli, '19])

# Model

$$\dot{\phi}_t = \text{"mean drift"} + \text{"erratic flow"}$$

$$= u_t(\phi_t) + \text{random term}$$

$$= u_t(\phi_t) + \sum_{\kappa} z_{\kappa}(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^{\kappa}$$

- $(W_t^{\kappa})_{\kappa=1}^K$  irregular/noisy term
- $(z^{\kappa})_{\kappa=1}^K$  fixed, used to fit model to data.

→ What is the corresponding PDE?

Using techniques from geometric hydrodynamics, in

[Crisan, Holm, Leahy, N., '22]

we argue that

$$\partial_t u + u \cdot \nabla u + (\zeta_k \cdot \nabla u + D \zeta_k u) \dot{W}^k + \nabla p = 0$$

$$\operatorname{div} u = 0$$

$$+ Du u \\ = \frac{1}{2} \nabla |u|^2$$

preserve the geometric structure of Euler's equation  
and is a physically relevant model.

(Kelvin's circulation thm, enstrophy balance, ...)

Can we solve the equation?

Consider  $d=2$  and look at the vorticity

$$\omega = \text{curl } u = \nabla \times u = \partial_1 u^2 - \partial_2 u^1$$

Satisfies

$$\partial_t \omega + u \cdot \nabla \omega + \sum_k z_k \cdot \nabla \omega \dot{W}^k = 0$$

The velocity can be recovered via Biot-Savart

$$u_t(x) = K * \omega_t(x) = \int K(x-y) \omega_t(y) dy, \quad K(z) = \frac{z^\perp}{2\pi |z|^2}$$

Method of characteristics:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \omega_t(\phi_t) &= \partial_t \omega_t(\phi_t) + D\omega_t(\phi_t) \dot{\phi}_t \\ &= (\partial_t \omega_t + u_t \cdot \nabla \omega_t + \sum_k z_k \cdot \nabla \omega_t \dot{W}_t^k)(\phi_t) = 0\end{aligned}$$

since  $\dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t) + \sum_k z_k(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^k$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_t(\phi_t) = \omega_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_t = \omega_0(\phi_t^{-1})$$

Leads to the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t) + \mathfrak{Z}_\kappa(\phi_t) \omega_t^\kappa \\ u_t = K * \omega_t \\ \omega_t = \omega_0(\phi_t^{-1}) \end{cases}$$

**Yudovich theory**: well-posedness in the  
class  $\omega \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^1 \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2))$



How do we understand  $\int_{\mu}(\phi_t) \bar{W}_t^{\mu}$  when  $W$  is not differentiable, eg. a sample path of Brownian motion?

**Hô theory** - best suited for memoryless noise (ocean's have memory)

- its generalizations breaks the geometric structure and are difficult (possible?) to implement

# Rough paths / Rough diff. eq.

First  $u \equiv 0$ , eq reads

$$\dot{\phi}_t = \beta_u(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^u$$

Integrate

$$\phi_t - \phi_s = \int_s^t \beta_u(\phi_r) \dot{W}_r^u dr = \int_s^t \beta_u(\phi_r) dW_r^u$$

When is integration well-defined?

Thm [Young, 1936]

If

$$|g_t - g_s| \lesssim |t - s|^\alpha, \quad |h_t - h_s| \lesssim |t - s|^\beta$$

and

$$\alpha + \beta > 1$$

then

$$\int_s^T g_r dh_r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n g_{t_i} (h_{t_{i+1}} - h_{t_i})$$

is well defined and

$$\left| \int_s^t g_r dh_r - g_s (h_t - h_s) \right| \lesssim |t - s|^{\alpha + \beta}.$$

If  $W$  is  $\alpha$ -Hölder and  $\zeta(\phi)$  is  $\beta$ -Hölder:

$$\phi_t - \phi_s = \int_s^t \zeta(\phi_r) dW_r^\alpha + \zeta(\phi_s)(W_t^\alpha - W_s^\alpha)$$

$$\lesssim |t-s|^{\alpha+\beta} + \|\zeta\|_\infty |t-s|^\alpha$$

Expect  $\phi$  to inherit  
regularity of  $W$ , so  $\alpha = \beta$ .

Need  $\alpha + \alpha > 1 \Rightarrow \alpha > \frac{1}{2}$

For sample paths of Brownian motion  
have  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon$  for  $\epsilon > 0$ , so Young theory  
is out of reach.

In fact

**Proposition 1.1.** *There exists no separable Banach space  $\mathcal{B} \subset C([0, 1])$  with the following properties:*

1. *Sample paths of Brownian motions lie in  $\mathcal{B}$  almost surely.*
2. *The map  $(f, g) \mapsto \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt$  defined on smooth functions extends to a continuous map from  $\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$  into the space of continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$ .*

[T. Lyons, 91]

But ;  $\int_0^t B_r^k dB_r^l$  can be defined using Itô theory.

However, special care is needed:

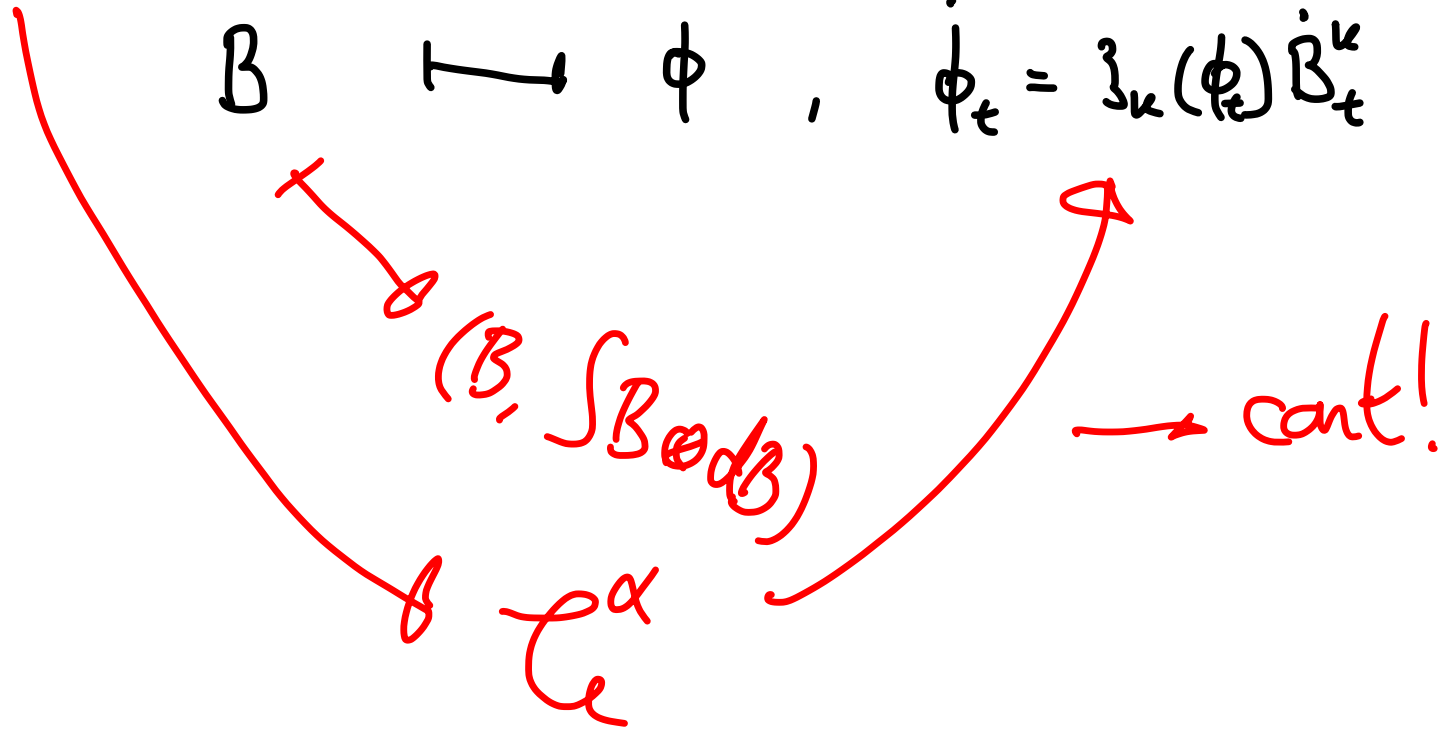
$$\sum B_{t_i + \theta(t_{i+1} - t_i)} (B_{t_{i+1}} - B_{t_i}) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (B_t^2 - t) & \text{if } \theta = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} B_t^2 & \text{if } \theta = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

So  $B \mapsto \left( \int B^k dB^l \right)_{k,l}$  is discontinuous.

In general, also the solution map is **discontinuous**

$$C([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^k) \longrightarrow C([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$B \longmapsto \phi, \quad \dot{\phi}_t = \sum_k (\phi_t) \dot{B}_t^k$$



Ex

$$\dot{\phi}_t^1 = \dot{B}_t^k$$

$$\dot{\phi}_t^2 = \phi_t^1 \dot{B}_t^l$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_t^2 = \int_0^t B_r^k dB_r^l$$

# Rough paths

A pair  $W = (W, \mathbb{W})$ ,

$$W: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k, \quad \mathbb{W}: [0, T]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$$

s.t.  $|W_t - W_s| \lesssim |t - s|^\alpha, \quad |\mathbb{W}_{st}| \lesssim |t - s|^{2\alpha}$

and

Chen's relation

$$\mathbb{W}_{st} - \mathbb{W}_{su} - \mathbb{W}_{ut} = (W_t - W_u) \otimes (W_u - W_s)$$

for  $\alpha \in (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}]$  is called a rough path.



Think of  $W$  as defining

$$\int_s^t (W_r - W_s) \otimes dW_r$$

Typically need probability to give meaning to  $W$ .

Possible for a much larger class of stochastic processes.

Once fixed, analysis will be deterministic.

# Rough differential equations

$$\dot{\phi} = \beta_{\kappa}(\phi) \dot{W}^{\kappa}$$

$$\phi_t - \phi_s = \int_s^t \beta_{\kappa}(\phi_r) dW_r^{\kappa}$$

$$= \int_s^t \beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s) + D\beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s)(\phi_r - \phi_s) + \mathcal{O}(|\phi_r - \phi_s|^2) dW_r$$

$$= \beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s)(W_t^{\kappa} - W_s^{\kappa}) + D\beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s) \int_s^t \int_s^r \beta_{\lambda}(\phi_u) dW_u^{\lambda} dW_r^{\kappa} + \mathcal{O}(|t-s|^{3\alpha})$$

$$= \beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s)(W_t^{\kappa} - W_s^{\kappa}) + D\beta_{\kappa}(\phi_s) \beta_{\lambda}(\phi_s) \int_s^t \int_s^r dW_u^{\lambda} dW_r^{\kappa} + \mathcal{O}(|t-s|^{3\alpha})$$

solution look like a Taylor expansion  
in  $W$  and  $\|W$ .

Get

$$\mathcal{L}_\varepsilon^\kappa \longrightarrow C([0, \tau]; \mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$W \longmapsto \phi : \dot{\phi}_\varepsilon = \mathfrak{Z}_\kappa(\phi_\varepsilon) \dot{W}_\varepsilon^\kappa$$

is **continuous!**

# Drifted equation

$$\dot{\phi}_t = b_t(\phi_t) + \sum_{\kappa} \zeta_{\kappa}(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^{\kappa}$$

$$\zeta_{\kappa} \in C^{\frac{1}{\alpha} + \varepsilon}$$

- $\zeta_{\kappa} \in C_b^3$
- $W = (W, \bar{W})$  a rough path
- $b$  has lower regularity (comes from a fluid)

# Osgood regular vector field

Say  $b: [0, \tau] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  is Osgood if

$$|b_t(x) - b_t(\bar{x})| \leq h(|x - \bar{x}|)$$

where  $h: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  s.t.

$$\int_0^\varepsilon \frac{1}{h(r)} dr = \infty$$

- Ex. g.
- $h(r) = cr^\alpha$  only for  $\alpha = 1$
  - $h(r) = r(1 - \ln r)$  (log-Lipschitz)

**Thm** [Galeati, Leahy, N., 24]

Suppose  $\zeta_\kappa \in C_b^3$ ,  $W$   $\alpha$ -rough path,  $\kappa \in (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}]$   
and  $b$  is bounded and Osgood.

Then  $\dot{\phi}_t = b_t(\phi_t) + \zeta_\kappa(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^\kappa$ ,  $\phi_0 = x$

is well-posed and

$$\phi \in C^\alpha([0, \tau]; \mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$\sup_{t \leq \tau} |\phi_t(x) - \phi_t(\bar{x})| \lesssim H'(H(|x - \bar{x}|) + \tau)$$

where  $H(u) = \int_\varepsilon^u \frac{1}{h(r)} dr$ .

An essential feature we need for Lagrangian flows is volume preservation.

Need

i)  $\operatorname{div} \mathfrak{z}_\kappa = \operatorname{div} b = 0$

ii)  $W$  geometric, i.e.  $\exists W^n \in C^1([0, \pi]; \mathbb{R}^K)$

s.t.

$$W^n := (W^n, \int W^n \otimes \dot{W}^n dt) \longrightarrow W \text{ in } \mathcal{L}^\alpha$$

E.g.  $\int B \circ dB$  (Stratonovich) is geometric

$\int B dB$  (Itô) is not

**Thm** [Galati, Leahy, N. '24]

- $\{z_k \in C^3_b, \operatorname{div} z_k = 0$
- $W \in C^\alpha$  geometric
- $b$  Osgood,  $\operatorname{div} b = 0$  (distributional)

then  $\dot{\phi}_t = b_t(\phi_t) + z_k(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^k$

is volume preserving

$$(\phi_t)_\# \mathbb{L}^d = \mathbb{L}^d$$



# Back to fluids

Consider

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t) + \zeta_t(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^H \\ u_t = K * \omega_t \\ \omega_t = \omega_0(\phi_t^{-1}) \end{array} \right.$$

where

$$K(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{z^\perp}{|z|^2}.$$

Wanted an  $L^1$  or  $L^\infty$ -theory in  $\omega$ .

When  $d=2$ , convolution w/  $K$  is smoothing;

- $\sup_x |K * f(x)| \lesssim \|f\|_{L^1} + \|f\|_{L^\infty}$

- $|K * f(x) - K * f(\bar{x})| \lesssim h(|x - \bar{x}|) (\|f\|_{L^1} + \|f\|_{L^\infty})$

where  $h(r) = r(1 - \ln r) = \begin{cases} r(1 - \ln r) & , 0 < r < 1 \\ r & , r > 1 \end{cases}$

so given  $\omega \in L^\infty([0, T]; L^1 \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2))$

$$u_t := K * \omega_t$$

is Osgood and thus

$$\dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t) + \sum_k(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^k$$

is meaningful.

Moreover  $\operatorname{div} K = 0$ , so

we get a priori estimates

- $\|\omega_\varepsilon\|_{L^1} = \|\omega_0(\phi_\varepsilon^{-1})\|_{L^1} = \|\omega_0\|_{L^1}$

and

- $\|\omega_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty} = \|\omega_0(\phi_\varepsilon^{-1})\|_{L^\infty} \leq \|\omega_0\|_{L^\infty}$

If we now consider smooth approx.

$W^\varepsilon$  of  $W$  s.t.

$$W^\varepsilon = (W^\varepsilon, \int W^\varepsilon \otimes \dot{W}^\varepsilon dr) \longrightarrow W$$

and the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\phi}_t^\varepsilon = u_t^\varepsilon(\phi_t^\varepsilon) + \beta_\kappa(\phi_t^\varepsilon) \dot{W}^{\varepsilon, \kappa} \\ u_t^\varepsilon = \kappa * \omega_t^\varepsilon \\ \omega_t^\varepsilon = \omega_0(\phi_t^{\varepsilon, -1}) \end{cases}$$

Then a-priori estimates, smoothing properties of  $\kappa$   
+ Arzela-Ascoli yields compactness.

**Thm** [Galeati, Leddy, N., '24]

Assume  $\{z_k \in C^3, \operatorname{div} z_k = 0$

and  $W \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha$  is geometric. Then

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\phi}_t = u_t(\phi_t) + z_k(\phi_t) \dot{W}_t^k \\ u_t = K * \omega_t \\ \omega_t = \omega_0(\phi_t^{-1}) \end{cases}$$

is well-posed in the class

$$\omega \in L^\infty([0, \pi]); L^1 \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

Possible to show well-posedness of

$$\partial_t \omega + u \cdot \nabla \omega + \sum_i \partial_i \omega \dot{W}^i = 0$$

$$u = K * \omega$$

$$\omega_0 \in L^1 \cap L^\infty$$

from a purely Eulerian perspective.

Moreover, the solutions can be represented by  
Lagrangian trajectories;

[Galeati, Leahy, N. '24]

In fact we brought rough PDE up to speed  
w/ classical DiPerna-Lions theory

$$\partial_t f + b \cdot \nabla f + \sum_{\alpha} \partial_{x^{\alpha}} f \dot{W}_t^{\alpha} = 0 \quad (\text{TE})$$

and

$$\partial_t \mu + \operatorname{div}(b\mu) + \operatorname{div}(\sum_{\alpha} \mu \dot{W}_t^{\alpha}) = 0 \quad (\text{CE})$$

when  $b$  is less than Lipschitz



**Thm** [Galeati, Leahy, N.]

For  $b \in L_t W_{loc}^{1,1}$ ,  $\operatorname{div} b \in L_t L_x^\infty$ ,  $\frac{b}{1+|x|} \in L_t (L_x^1 + L_x^\infty)$

• (TE) and (CE) well-posed in  $L_t^\infty L_x^p$ .

• Product  $\mu f$  satisfies (CE)

• Moreover, if  $b$  is Osgood then

$$P_t = (\phi_t)_\# P_0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_t = f_0(\phi_t^{-1})$$

where 
$$\dot{\phi}_t = b_t(\phi_t) + \zeta_t(\phi_t) \vec{W}_t^u$$

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