# Stochastic Lagrangian Transport <br> and <br> Generalized Relative Entropies 

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#### Abstract

We discuss stochastic representations of advection diffusion equations with variable diffusivity, stochastic integrals of motion and generalized relative entropies


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## 1 Introduction

Recently, Michel, Mischler and Perthame [8] discovered a remarkable property of certain unstable linear equations, in which decay of relative entropies takes place. Their observation was applied to population dynamics models, but the list of applications is growing. Of course, relative entropies have been used for a long time in kinetic theory and conservation laws. However,
the decay of relative entropies, was known before only in stable, self-adjoint situations in which a global attracting steady solution exists and no flow advection is present [9]. The property of decay of relative entropies was slightly generalized to variable diffusion coefficients and applied to Smoluchowski systems in [1]. A stochastic interpretation and proof in the case of constant diffusion coefficients was given in [2]. Here we provide a stochastic interpretation and proof in the case of variable diffusion coefficients. The method of proof and concepts are of more general interest [3, 4].

We consider a linear operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D} \rho=\nu \partial_{i}\left(a_{i j} \partial_{j} \rho\right)-\operatorname{div}_{x}(U \rho)+V \rho \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$, where

$$
\begin{equation*}
U(x, t)=\left(U_{j}(x, t)\right)_{j=1, \ldots n} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

is a smooth $\left(C^{2}\right)$ function, $V=V(x, t)$ is a continuous and bounded scalar potential and

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{i j}(x, t)=\sigma_{i p}(x, t) \sigma_{j p}(x, t) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

with the matrix

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma(x, t)=\left(\sigma_{i j}(x, t)\right)_{i j} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

a given smooth $\left(C^{2}\right)$ matrix. We assume that $\sigma$ is bounded and $U$ and $\nabla_{x} \sigma$ decay at infinity. We use the shorthand notation $A(D)$ for the operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
A(D) \rho=a_{i j} \partial_{i} \partial_{j} \rho \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

and use also the non-divergence form

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D} \rho=\nu A(D) \rho-u \cdot \nabla_{x} \rho+P \rho \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
u_{j}(x, t)=U_{j}(x, t)-\nu \partial_{i}\left(a_{i j}(x, t)\right) \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
P=V-\operatorname{div}_{x}(U) \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The formal adjoint of the operator $\mathcal{D}$ in $L^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D}^{*} \phi=\nu \partial_{i}\left(a_{i j} \partial_{j} \phi\right)+U \cdot \nabla_{x} \phi+V \phi . \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

The following is the result of Michel, Mischler and Perthame:

Theorem 1 [7, 8] Let $f$ be a solution of

$$
\begin{equation*}
\partial_{t} f=\mathcal{D} f \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

and let $\rho>0$ be a positive solution of the same equation,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\partial_{t} \rho=\mathcal{D} \rho \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $H$ be a smooth convex function of one variable and let $\phi$ be a non-negative function obeying pointwise

$$
\begin{equation*}
\partial_{t} \phi+\mathcal{D}^{*} \phi=0 . \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d t} \int H\left(\frac{f}{\rho}\right) \phi \rho d x \leq 0 \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 2 Stochastic Lagrangian Flow

In order to represent solutions of equations like (10) we consider the drift

$$
\begin{equation*}
v_{j}(x, t)=u_{j}+2 \nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right) \sigma_{k p}=U_{j}-\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}+\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right) \sigma_{k p} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $X(a, t)$ be the strong solution of the stochastic differential system

$$
\begin{equation*}
d X_{j}(t)=v_{j}(X, t) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \sigma_{j p}(X, t) d W_{p} \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

with initial data

$$
\begin{equation*}
X(a, 0)=a \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Here $W$ is a standard Brownian process in $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ starting at time zero from the origin. This process will be fixed throughout the paper and all measurability issues will be with respect to the filtration associated to it and all almost sure statements will be with respect to the probability measure on the standard Wiener space. We will need the following result:

Theorem 2 The inverse of the flow map $a \mapsto X(a, t)$, the stochastic map

$$
\begin{equation*}
x \mapsto A(x, t) \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

exists almost surely and satisfies its defining relations

$$
X(A(x, t), t)=x, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}, \quad A(X(a, t), t)=a, \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{R}^{n}, \quad \forall t, \text { a.s. }
$$

The map $X$ is smooth and the determinant

$$
\begin{equation*}
D(a, t)=\operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{a} X(a, t)\right) \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

obeys the $S D E$

$$
\begin{gather*}
d\left(\operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{a} X(a, t)\right)=\left[\operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{a} X(a, t)\right)\right] \times\right. \\
\left\{\left[\left(d i v_{x} v\right)(x, t)+2 \nu E(x, t)\right]_{\mid x=X(a, t)} d t+\sqrt{2 \nu}\left(\partial_{k}\left(\sigma_{k p}\right)\right)(x, t)_{\mid x=X(a, t)} d W_{p}\right\} \tag{19}
\end{gather*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{equation*}
E(x, t)=\sum_{i<j} \sum_{p} \operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{i} \sigma_{j p}\right)_{i j} . \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

The map $A(x, t)$ satisfies the stochastic partial differential system

$$
\begin{equation*}
d A_{j}+\left(u \cdot \nabla_{x} A_{j}-\nu A(D) A_{j}\right) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu}\left(\partial_{k} A_{j}\right) \sigma_{k p} d W_{p}=0 \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

with initial data

$$
A(x, 0)=0 .
$$

Remark. In the statement above, $\operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{i} \sigma_{j p}\right)_{i j}$ refers to the determinant of the two-by-two matrix ( $\partial_{r} \sigma_{k p}$ ) with $r, k \in\{i, j\}$ for fixed $i<j$ and $p$. Theorem 2 was originally proved in [3] for constant coefficients and in [4] for variable coefficients. For completeness, we reproduce the proof (with variable coefficients, as stated above) in Appendix A.

## 3 Stochastically Passive Scalars and Feynman-Kac Formula

We consider first deterministic smooth time-independent functions $f_{0}$ and note that the functions $\theta=\theta_{f_{0}}(x, t)=f_{0}(A(x, t))$ are stochastically passive in the sense that they obey the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
d \theta+\left(u \cdot \nabla_{x} \theta-\nu A(D) \theta\right) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \partial_{k} \theta \sigma_{k p} d W_{p}=0 \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

with initial data

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta(x, 0)=f(x) \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

Solutions of the SPDE (22) form an algebra; in particular, products of solutions are solutions, a nontrivial fact due to the presence of the stochastic
term. The expected values of these scalars obey advection-diffusion equations and do not form an algebra in general, if $\nu>0$. We consider now the function

$$
\begin{equation*}
I(a, t)=\exp \left\{\int_{0}^{t} P(X(a, s), s) d s\right\} \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P(x, t)$ is given in (8) and consider the function

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi=\psi_{f_{0}}(x, t)=\theta_{f_{0}}(x, t) I(A(x, t), t) \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

We have
Theorem 3 The process $\psi=\psi_{f_{0}}$ given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi(x, t)=f_{0}(A(x, t)) \exp \left\{\int_{0}^{t} P(X(a, s), s) d s_{\mid a=A(x, t)}\right\} \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

solves

$$
\begin{equation*}
d \psi-(\mathcal{D} \psi) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \nabla_{x} \psi \sigma d W=0 \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

with initial datum $\psi(x, 0)=f_{0}(x)$.
The proof of this result follows using stochastic calculus [5], [6]. Indeed, the function $I(a, t)$ obeys

$$
\begin{equation*}
\partial_{t} I(a, t)=P(X(a, t), t) I(a, t) \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

pathwise (almost surely). Then, a calculation using (21) (see [3], [4]) shows that the function

$$
\begin{equation*}
J(x, t)=I(A(x, t), t) \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

solves

$$
\begin{equation*}
d J+\left(u \cdot \nabla_{x} J-P J-\nu A(D) J\right) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \nabla_{x} J \sigma d W=0 \tag{30}
\end{equation*}
$$

The function $\psi_{f_{0}}$ is the product

$$
\psi_{f_{0}}=\theta_{f_{0}} J,
$$

and therefore, from Itô's formula

$$
d \psi_{f_{0}}=J d \theta+\theta d J+d\langle J, \theta\rangle
$$

and the equations obeyed by $J, \theta$, we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
d \psi_{f_{0}}= \\
\left(-u \cdot \nabla_{x} \psi_{f_{0}}+P \psi_{f_{0}}+\nu J A(D) \theta+\nu \theta A(D) J+2 \nu\left(\partial_{k} J\right) \sigma_{k p}\left(\partial_{j} \theta\right) \sigma_{j p}\right) d t \\
-\sqrt{2 \nu} \nabla_{x} \psi_{f_{0}} \sigma d W .
\end{gathered}
$$

This means

$$
d \psi=\left(-u \cdot \nabla_{x} \psi+P \psi+\nu A(D) \psi\right) d t-\sqrt{2 \nu} \nabla_{x} \psi_{f_{0}} \sigma d W
$$

Because of (6) we have (27).

## 4 Stochastic Integrals of Motion.

Proposition 1 Consider a deterministic function $\phi$ that solves (12). Then the function

$$
\begin{equation*}
M(a, t)=\phi(X(a, t), t) \operatorname{det}\left(\partial_{a} X(a, t)\right) \exp \left\{\int_{0}^{t} P(X(a, s), s) d s\right\} \tag{31}
\end{equation*}
$$

is a martingale.
Proof. We start by writing

$$
M(a, t)=\Phi(a, t) I(a, t) D(a, t)
$$

with

$$
\Phi(a, t)=\phi(X(a, t), t),
$$

$I$ given above in (24) and $D$ given in (18). Next, we compute the equation obeyed by $\Phi I$. In view of (28) and using Itô's formula we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& d(\Phi I)=I\left\{\left(\partial_{t} \phi(X(a, t), t)+P \phi(X(a, t), t)\right) d t+\right. \\
& \left.\quad+\nabla_{x} \phi_{\mid X(a, t)} \cdot d X+\frac{1}{2} \partial_{i} \partial_{j} \phi_{\mid X(a, t)} d\left\langle X_{i}, X_{j}\right\rangle\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

which gives, in view of (15)

$$
\begin{gathered}
d(\Phi I)= \\
=\left\{\partial_{t} \phi+P \phi+v \cdot \nabla_{x} \phi+\nu A(D) \phi\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} I\left(\left(\partial_{i} \phi\right) \sigma_{i p}\right)_{\mid X(a, t)} d W_{p} .
\end{gathered}
$$

Using (12) and (14) we have

$$
\begin{gather*}
d(\Phi I)=I\left\{-2 \nu\left(\partial_{k}\left(\sigma_{k p}\right)\right) \sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)-\left(\operatorname{div}_{x} U\right) \phi\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d t+  \tag{32}\\
+\sqrt{2 \nu} I\left(\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right) \sigma_{j p}\right)_{\mid X(a, t)} d W_{p} .
\end{gather*}
$$

Now, by Itô,

$$
d M=D d(\Phi I)+\Phi I D+d\langle D, \Phi I\rangle .
$$

In view of (19) and (32) we have

$$
d\langle D, \Phi I\rangle=2 \nu D I\left\{\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d t
$$

and consequently the terms $\pm 2 \nu D I\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right) d t$ cancel and we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
d M & =I D\left\{-\left(\operatorname{div}_{x} U\right) \phi+\left(\operatorname{div}_{x} v+2 \nu E\right)\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d t+ \\
& +\sqrt{2 \nu} I D\left\{\sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)+\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d W_{p} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Now, in view of (14) we have that

$$
\left(\operatorname{div}_{x} v\right)-\left(\operatorname{div}_{x} U\right)=\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right) \sigma_{k p}\right]-\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}\right]
$$

and therefore the coefficient of $d t$ in $d M$ is

$$
D I\left\{2 \nu E+\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right) \sigma_{k p}\right]-\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}\right]\right\}
$$

Now

$$
\begin{gathered}
D I\left\{\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right) \sigma_{k p}\right]-\nu \partial_{j}\left[\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right) \sigma_{j p}\right]\right\}= \\
D I\left\{\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right)\left(\partial_{j} \sigma_{k p}\right)-\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\left(\partial_{j} \sigma_{j p}\right)\right\}= \\
=D I 2 \sum_{k<j} \sum_{p}\left\{\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{j p}\right)\left(\partial_{j} \sigma_{k p}\right)-\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\left(\partial_{j} \sigma_{j p}\right)\right\}= \\
=-2 \nu E
\end{gathered}
$$

and therefore the coefficient of $d t$ in $d M$ vanishes. We obtained

$$
\begin{equation*}
d M=\sqrt{2 \nu} I D\left\{\sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)+\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\right\}_{\mid X(a, t)} d W_{p} \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

that is, $M$ is the martingale

$$
\begin{gathered}
M(a, t)= \\
\phi(a, 0)+\sqrt{2 \nu} \int_{0}^{t} I(a, s) D(a, s)\left\{\sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)+\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\right\}_{\mid X(a, s)} d W_{p}(s)
\end{gathered}
$$

Theorem 4 Let $h_{0}$ and $\rho_{0}$ be smooth time independent deterministic functions. Consider the stochastically passive scalar $\theta_{h_{0}}(x, t)=h_{0}(A(x, t))$ and the process $\psi_{\rho_{0}}$ of (26) with initial datum $\rho_{0}$. Consider also $\phi(x, t)$, a deterministic solution of (12). Then the random variable

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{E}(t)=\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \phi(x, t) \psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t) \theta_{h_{0}}(x, t) d x \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

is a martingale. In particular

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{E}(t))=\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \phi(a, 0) \rho_{0}(a) h_{0}(a) d a \tag{35}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds.
Proof. In view of the change of variables formula and the definition of $\psi_{\rho_{0}}$ we have that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{E}(t)=\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} M(a, t) \rho_{0}(a) h_{0}(a) d a \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $M$ given in (31). The result follows then from the previous proposition. More precisely

$$
\begin{gather*}
d \mathcal{E}= \\
\sqrt{2 \nu}\left\{\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \exp \left\{\int_{0}^{s} P(X(a, \tau), \tau) d \tau_{\mid a=A(x, s)}\right\}\left\{\sigma_{j p}\left(\partial_{j} \phi\right)+\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)\right\} d x\right\} d W_{p} \tag{37}
\end{gather*}
$$

gives explicitly the SDE obeyed by $\mathcal{E}$.

## 5 Generalized Relative Entropies

We take now a smooth deterministic, time independent function $H$ of one variable, a deterministic solution of (12), two smooth deterministic, time independent functions $f_{0}$ and $\rho_{0}$, of which $\rho_{0}$ is strictly positive. We form the processes $\psi_{\rho_{0}}$ and $\psi_{f_{0}}$ given by the expressions (26). Then it t follows that

$$
\begin{gathered}
\psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t) \phi(x, t) H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}(x, t)}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t)}\right)= \\
\psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t) \phi(x, t) H\left(\frac{\left.f_{0}(A(x, t))\right)}{\rho_{0}(A(x, t))}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

holds. Thus, the quantity of interest, $\psi_{\rho_{0}} \phi H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}}\right)$, is the product of a stochastically passive scalar, $\psi_{\rho_{0}}$ and $\phi$. By the previous theorem we have that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{E}(t)=\int \psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t) H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}(x, t)}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t)}\right) \phi(x, t) d x \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

is a martingale. The expected value is then constant in time:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d}{d t} \mathbb{E}\left\{\int \psi_{\rho_{0}} H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}}\right) \phi d x\right\}=0 \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

If we denote

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(x, t)=\mathbb{E} \psi_{f_{0}}(x, t) \tag{40}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho(x, t)=\mathbb{E} \psi_{\rho_{0}}(x, t) \tag{41}
\end{equation*}
$$

we have from (27) that $f$ solves (10), $\rho>0$ solves (11). We prove that we have (13).

The starting point is (39). In view of (40) and (41), the statement that needs to be proved is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int \mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right) H\left(\frac{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{f_{0}}\right)}{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right)}\right) \phi d x \leq \mathbb{E}\left\{\int \psi_{\rho_{0}} H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}}\right) \phi d x\right\} \tag{42}
\end{equation*}
$$

The conservation (39) works for any $H$, but we expect (42) to hold only for convex $H$. Indeed, (42) can be reduced to a Jensen inequality. We claim more, that for all $x, t$ we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right) H\left(\frac{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{f_{0}}\right)}{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right)}\right) \leq \mathbb{E}\left\{\psi_{\rho_{0}} H\left(\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}}{\psi_{\rho_{0}}}\right)\right\} \tag{43}
\end{equation*}
$$

Considering the functions

$$
\begin{equation*}
g=\frac{\psi_{\rho_{0}}}{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right)} \tag{44}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
v=\frac{\psi_{f_{0}}}{\mathbb{E}\left(\psi_{\rho_{0}}\right)} \tag{45}
\end{equation*}
$$

we see that (43) becomes

$$
\begin{equation*}
H(\mathbb{E}(v)) \leq \mathbb{E}\left\{g H\left(\frac{v}{g}\right)\right\} . \tag{46}
\end{equation*}
$$

This, however, is nothing but Jensen's inequality for the probability measure

$$
\begin{gathered}
P h=\mathbb{E}(g h), \\
H\left(P\left(\frac{v}{g}\right)\right) \leq P H\left(\frac{v}{g}\right) .
\end{gathered}
$$

## A Proof of Theorem 2

We devote this appendix to proving Theorem 2. The original proof can be found in [3] for constant coefficients, and in [4] for variable coefficients.

Lemma 1 Let $X$ be the stochastic flow defined by (15), (16). Then the map $X$ is spatially smooth (almost surely), and the determinant $D=\operatorname{det}(\nabla X)$ satisfies the equation

$$
d D=D\left[(\nabla \cdot v+2 \nu E) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \partial_{k} \sigma_{k p} d W_{p}\right]
$$

where

$$
E=\frac{1}{2}\left[\partial_{i} \sigma_{i p} \partial_{j} \sigma_{j p}-\partial_{j} \sigma_{i p} \partial_{i} \sigma_{j p}\right]
$$

Proof. Differentiating (15) we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
d\left(\partial_{a} X_{j}\right)=\partial_{k} v_{j} \partial_{a} X_{k} d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \partial_{k} \sigma_{j p} \partial_{a} X_{k} d W_{p} \tag{47}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $S^{n}$ be the permutation group on $n$ symbols, and $\epsilon_{\tau}$ denote the signature of the permutation $\tau \in S^{n}$. By Itô's formula,

$$
\begin{align*}
& d D= \sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\
b=1 \ldots n}} \epsilon_{\tau}\left[\prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} d\left(\partial_{b} X_{\tau_{b}}\right)+\sum_{c<b} \prod_{d \neq b, c} \partial_{d} X_{\tau_{d}} d\left\langle\partial_{b} X_{\tau_{b}}, \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}}\right\rangle\right] \\
&=\sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\
b=1 \ldots n}} \epsilon_{\tau}\left[\partial_{k} v_{\tau_{b}} \partial_{b} X_{k} \prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \partial_{k} \sigma_{\tau_{b}, p} \partial_{b} X_{k} \prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} d W_{p}+\right. \\
&\left.\quad+\nu \sum_{c \neq b} \partial_{b} X_{l} \partial_{l} \sigma_{\tau_{b}, p} \partial_{c} X_{m} \partial_{m} \sigma_{\tau_{c}, p} \prod_{d \neq b, c} \partial_{d} X_{\tau_{d}} d t\right] \tag{48}
\end{align*}
$$

We compute each of the terms above individually:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\
b=1 \ldots n}} \epsilon_{\tau} \partial_{k} v_{\tau_{b}} \partial_{b} X_{k} \prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}}= & \sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\
b=1 \ldots n}} \epsilon_{\tau} \partial_{\tau_{b}} v_{\tau_{b}} \partial_{b} X_{\tau_{b}} \prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}}+ \\
& +\sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\
b=1 . n}} \sum_{k \neq \tau_{b}} \epsilon_{\tau} \partial_{k} v_{\tau_{b}} \partial_{b} X_{k} \partial_{\tau_{k}^{-1}} X_{k} \prod_{c \neq b, \tau_{k}^{-1}} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} \\
= & (\nabla \cdot v) \operatorname{det}(\nabla X)+ \\
& +\sum_{\substack{b=1 . . n \\
k \neq b}} \sum_{\tau \in S^{n}} \epsilon_{\tau} \partial_{\tau_{k}} v_{\tau_{b}} \partial_{b} X_{\tau_{k}} \partial_{k} X_{\tau_{k}} \prod_{c \neq b, k} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} \\
= & (\nabla \cdot v) \operatorname{det}(\nabla X)+0
\end{aligned}
$$

The second term above is zero because replacing replacing $\tau$ with $\tau \circ(b k)$ in the inner sum produces a negative sign.

Similarly we have

$$
\sum_{\substack{\tau \in S^{n} \\ b=1 \ldots n}} \epsilon_{\tau} \partial_{k} \sigma_{\tau_{b}, p} \partial_{b} X_{k} \prod_{c \neq b} \partial_{c} X_{\tau_{c}} d W_{p}=\partial_{k} \sigma_{k, p} \operatorname{det}(\nabla X) d W_{p} .
$$

For the last term in (48), the only difference is that we have a few extra cases to consider: When $l=\tau(b), m=\tau(c)$, we will get $\operatorname{det}(\nabla X) \partial_{i} \sigma_{i p} \partial_{j} \sigma_{j p}$. When $l=\tau(c)$ and $m=\tau(b)$, we will get $-\operatorname{det}(\nabla X) \partial_{j} \sigma_{i p} \partial_{i} \sigma_{j p}$. In all other cases we get 0 . This concludes proof of Lemma 1 .

Lemma 2 For any time t, the map $X_{t}$ has a (spatially) smooth inverse.
Proof. Define $\lambda$ by

$$
\lambda=\exp \left[\int_{0}^{t}\left(\nabla \cdot v+2 \nu E-\nu\left(\partial_{k} \sigma_{k p}\right)^{2}\right) d t+\sqrt{2 \nu} \int_{0}^{t} \partial_{k} \sigma_{k p} d W_{s}^{(p)}\right]
$$

The Itô's formula immediately shows that $\lambda$ satisfies equation (19). Since (19) is a linear SDE with smooth coefficients, uniqueness of the solution guarantees $D=\exp (\lambda)$ almost surely, and hence $D>0$ almost surely.

The spatial invertibility of $X$ now follows as $X_{t}$ is locally orientation preserving and has degree 1 (because $X_{t}$ is properly homotopic to $X_{0}$, the identity map). The (spatial) smoothness of the inverse is guaranteed by the inverse function theorem.

The above lemma shows existence of a spatial inverse of $X$. As before, we let $A$ denote the spatial inverse of $X$. We now derive a stochastic evolution equation of $A$ [equation (21)].

Lemma 3 Let $Y$ be a $C^{1}$ stochastic flow of semi-martingales adapted to $\mathcal{F}_{t}$, the filtration of $W_{t}$. If for all $a \in \mathbb{R}^{n}, t>0$ we have

$$
\int_{0}^{t} Y\left(X_{s}(a), d s\right)=\int_{0}^{t} b\left(X_{s}(a), s\right) d s+\int_{0}^{t} \sigma^{\prime}\left(X_{s}(a), s\right) d W_{s}
$$

then

$$
Y_{t}(a)=Y_{0}(a)+\int_{0}^{t} b(a, t) d t+\int_{0}^{t} \sigma^{\prime}(a, t) d W_{t} .
$$

Proof. Let $Y^{\prime}$ be the process defined by

$$
Y_{t}^{\prime}(a)=Y_{0}(a)+\int_{0}^{t} b(a, t) d t+\int_{0}^{t} \sigma^{\prime}(a, t) d W_{t}
$$

and set $\delta=Y-Y^{\prime}$. Since $\delta$ is adapted to $\mathcal{F}_{t}$, there exists a non-negative predictable function $a$ such that

$$
\int_{0}^{t} a(x, y, s) d s=\langle\delta(x), \delta(y)\rangle_{t}
$$

Now, by definition of the generalized Itô integral we have $\int_{0}^{t} \delta\left(X_{s}, s\right) \equiv 0$ almost surely, and hence $\int_{0}^{t} a\left(X_{s}, X_{s}, s\right) d s \equiv 0$ almost surely. Since $X$ is a flow of homeomorphisms (diffeomorphisms actually), we must have $\forall t$, $a(x, x, t) \equiv 0$ almost surely. Thus $\delta=Y-Y^{\prime}$ is of bounded variation.

Since we have shown above that $\delta$ has bounded variation,

$$
\int_{0}^{t} \delta\left(X_{s}, d s\right)=\left.\int_{0}^{t} \partial_{t} \delta\right|_{X_{s}, s} d s
$$

and hence $\forall t, \partial_{t} \delta_{t} \equiv 0$. At time $0, \delta_{0} \equiv 0$ by definition, and hence $\delta_{t} \equiv 0$ almost surely for all $t$, concluding the proof.

Lemma 4 There exists a process $B$ of bounded variation such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{t}=B_{t}-\sqrt{2 \nu} \int_{0}^{t}\left(\nabla A_{s}\right) \sigma d W_{s} \tag{49}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. Applying the generalized Itô formula to $A \circ X$ we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& 0=\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} A\left(X_{s}, d s\right)+\left.\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \nabla A\right|_{X_{s}, s} d X_{s}+\left.\frac{1}{2} \int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \partial_{i j}^{2} A\right|_{X_{s}, s} d\left\langle X^{(i)}, X^{(j)}\right\rangle_{s}+ \\
&+\left\langle\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \partial_{i} A\left(X_{s}, d s\right), X_{t}^{(i)}-X_{t^{\prime}}^{(i)}\right\rangle \\
&=\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} A\left(X_{s}, d s\right)+\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t}\left[\left.\nabla A\right|_{X_{s}, s} v+\left.\nu a_{i j} \partial_{i j}^{2} A\right|_{X_{s}, s}\right] d s+  \tag{50}\\
&+\left.\sqrt{2 \nu} \int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \nabla A\right|_{X_{s}, s} \sigma d W_{s}+\left\langle\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \partial_{i} A\left(X_{s}, d s\right), X_{t}^{(i)}-X_{t^{\prime}}^{(i)}\right\rangle .
\end{align*}
$$

Notice that the second and fourth terms on the right are of bounded variation. Applying Lemma 3 we conclude the proof.

Lemma 5 The process A satisfies the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
d A_{t}+(v \cdot \nabla) A_{t} d t-\nu a_{i j} \partial_{i j}^{2} A_{t} d t-\sqrt{2 \nu} \partial_{j} A_{t}\left(\partial_{i} \sigma_{j k}\right) \sigma_{i k} d t+\left(\nabla A_{t}\right) \sigma d W_{t}=0 \tag{51}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. Since the joint quadratic variation term in (50) depends only on the martingale part of $\partial_{i} A$, we can compute it explicitly by

$$
\begin{align*}
\left\langle\int_{t^{\prime}}^{t} \partial_{i} A\left(X_{s}, d s\right), X^{(i)}\right\rangle & =-2 \nu \int_{t^{\prime}}^{t}\left(\partial_{i j}^{2} A_{s} \sigma_{j k} \sigma_{i k}+\partial_{j} A_{s}\left(\partial_{i} \sigma_{j k}\right) \sigma_{i k}\right) \circ X_{s} d s \\
& =-2 \nu \int_{t^{\prime}}^{t}\left(a_{i j} \partial_{i j}^{2} A_{s}+\partial_{j} A_{s}\left(\partial_{i} \sigma_{j k}\right) \sigma_{i k}\right) \circ X_{s} d s \tag{52}
\end{align*}
$$

Substituting (52) in (50) and applying Lemma 3 we conclude the proof. Acknowledgment. PC partially supported by NSF grant DMS-0504213.

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