

# Coarsening dynamics in condensing stochastic particle systems

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# Setting

- Lattice  $\Lambda_L = \mathbb{Z}/L\mathbb{Z}$
- State space  $\Omega = \mathbb{N}^{\Lambda_L}$
- Configuration  $\eta = (\eta_x : x \in \Lambda_L) \in \Omega$
- Jump probability  $q(x, y) = \frac{1}{L-1}, \forall x \neq y$
- Dynamics are given by the generator

$$(\mathcal{L}f)(\eta) = \sum_{x, y \in \Lambda_L} q(x, y) u(\eta_x) v(\eta_y) (f(\eta^{x \rightarrow y}) - f(\eta)), \quad (1)$$

where  $\eta_z^{x \rightarrow y} = \eta_z - \delta(z, x) + \delta(z, y)$ .

# Stationary measures

Under certain conditions<sup>1</sup>, the processes admit stationary product measure with marginal

$$\nu_\phi[\eta_x = n] = \frac{1}{z(\phi)} w(n) \phi^n \quad (2)$$

is stationary, provided that

$$z(\phi) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w(n) \phi^n < \infty,$$

for all  $x \in \Lambda_L$ . For fixed number of particles,

$$\pi_{L,N} = \nu_\phi[\cdot \mid \sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} \eta_x = N] \quad (3)$$

is the unique stationary measure on  $\{\eta : \sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} \eta_x = N\}$ .

<sup>1</sup>Chleboun, P. and Grosskinsky, S., 2014. Condensation in stochastic particle systems with stationary product measures. Journal of Statistical Physics, 154(1-2), pp.432-465.

# Empirical processes

Define two empirical processes :

site empirical process

$$F_k(\boldsymbol{\eta}(t)) := \frac{1}{L} \sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} \delta_{\eta_x(t), k}. \quad (4)$$

size-biased empirical process

$$P_k(\boldsymbol{\eta}(t)) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} k \delta_{\eta_x(t), k}. \quad (5)$$

Relation

$$kF_k(\boldsymbol{\eta}) = \rho P_k(\boldsymbol{\eta}) \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{\eta} \in \Omega_{L,N} \text{ and } k \geq 1.$$

# Zero-range processes

$$u(k) = g(k), \quad v(k) \equiv 1$$

Jump rate  $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

$$g(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 0, \\ 1 + \frac{b}{k^\gamma} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

for any constant  $b > 0$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ .

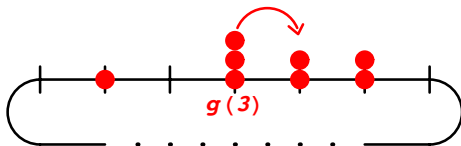
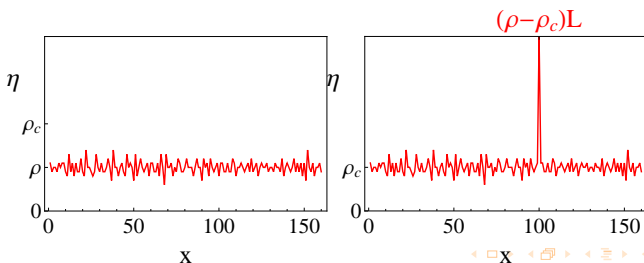


Figure : ZRP

# Condensation

For our specific jump rate, the system exhibits a phase transition in the thermodynamic limit  $N, L \rightarrow \infty$ . If the particle density  $\rho = \frac{N}{L}$  is above some critical value  $\rho_c$ , the system separates into

- 1 a **homogeneous background**
- 2 a **condensate**, which is the excess mass accumulated on a single randomly located lattice site.



## Theorem (2)

If  $\rho > \rho_c$  then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{N, L \rightarrow \infty, \frac{N}{L} \rightarrow \rho} \pi_{L, N} \left( \left| \frac{1}{L} \max_{x \in \Lambda_L} \eta_x - \rho - \rho_c \right| > \epsilon \right) = 1.$$

## Critical density

$$\rho_c := \mathbb{E}_{\nu_1}[\eta_x].$$

$$\gamma = 1$$

$$b > 2, \quad \rho_c = \frac{1}{b-2} < \infty$$

$$\gamma \in (0, 1)$$

$$b > 0, \quad \rho_c < \infty$$

<sup>2</sup>Grosskinsky, S., Schutz, G.M. and Spohn, H., 2003. Condensation in the zero range process: stationary and dynamical properties. Journal of statistical physics, 113(3-4), pp.389-410.



# Coarsening

## Coarsening Regime

The cluster sites exchange particles through the bulk. This leads to a decreasing number of cluster sites of increasing size.

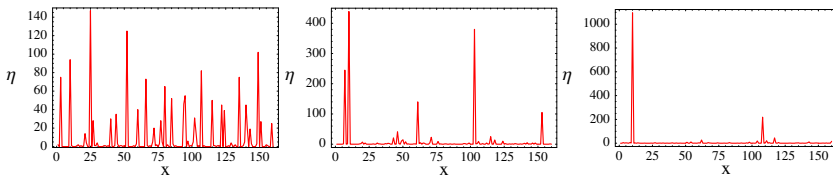


Figure : Dynamics of ZRP.



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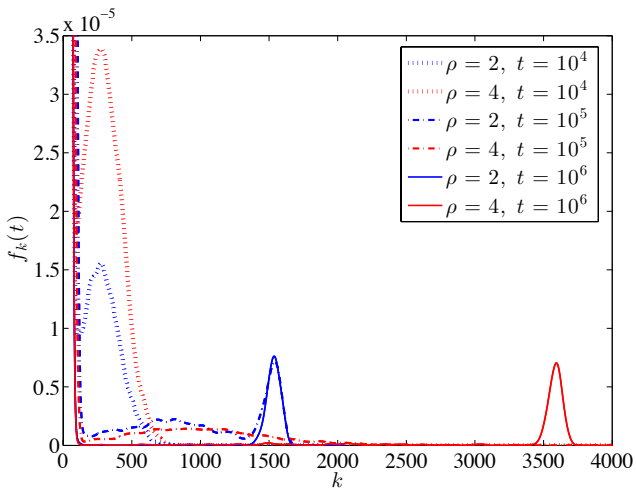


Figure :  $f_k(t)$ . Parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$  with  $b = 4$  and  $L = 1024$ .

$$p_k(t)$$

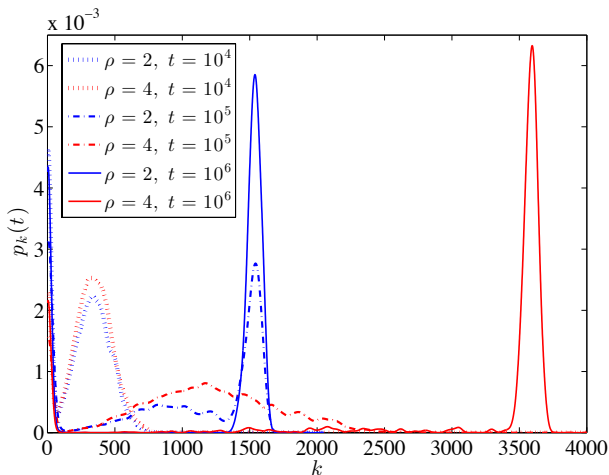


Figure :  $p_k(t)$ . Parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$  with  $b = 4$  and  $L = 1024$ .



# Analysis of $F_k(\eta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{L}F_k)(\eta) &= \sum_{x,y \neq x} \frac{1}{L-1} g(\eta_x) [F_k(\eta^{x \rightarrow y}) - F_k(\eta)] \\
 &= -g(k)F_k(\eta) - \frac{1}{L-1} \sum_{\substack{x \in \Lambda \\ y \neq x}} g(\eta_x) \frac{\delta_{k,\eta_y}}{L} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{L-1} \sum_{\substack{x \in \Lambda \\ y \neq x}} g(\eta_x) \frac{\delta_{k-1,\eta_y}}{L} + g(k+1)F_{k+1}(\eta) \\
 &= -(g(k) + \langle g \rangle_\eta)F_k(\eta) \\
 &\quad + \langle g \rangle_\eta F_{k-1}(\eta) + g(k+1)F_{k+1}(\eta) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{L-1} (g(k) - \langle g \rangle_\eta) (F_k(\eta) - F_{k-1}(\eta)) .
 \end{aligned}$$

# Evolution equation

Using

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbb{E}[F_k(\eta(t))] = \mathbb{E}[(\mathcal{L}F_k)(\eta(t))]$$

with notation  $f_k(t) = \mathbb{E}[F_k(\eta)]$  and  $\langle g \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(k) f_k(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df_k(t)}{dt} &= g(k+1)f_{k+1}(t) + \langle g \rangle f_{k-1}(t) \\ &\quad - (g(k) + \langle g \rangle) f_k(t), \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

for all  $k \geq 0$  with  $f_{-1}(t) = 0$ .

# Birth death process ( $Y_t : t \geq 0$ )

This is a birth death chain with state space  $\mathbb{N}_0$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \text{birth rate} &= \langle g \rangle \\ \text{death rate} &= g(k) \end{aligned}$$

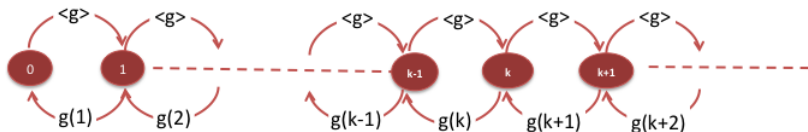


Figure : Birth-Death Processes  $Y_t$  Diagram.

# Separated state

Ansatz:

$$f_k(t) = \underbrace{f_k(t) \mathbb{I}_{[0,1/\sqrt{\epsilon_t}]}(k)}_{:=f_k^{\text{bulk}}(t)} + \underbrace{f_k(t) \mathbb{I}_{(1/\sqrt{\epsilon_t},\infty)}(k)}_{:=f_k^{\text{cond}}(t)} \quad (8)$$

Scaling forms<sup>3</sup>

$$f_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = \epsilon_t^2 h(u), \quad \text{with } u = k\epsilon_t \text{ and } \epsilon_t = t^{-\frac{1}{\gamma+1}}. \quad (9)$$

$$\langle g \rangle \approx 1 + A\epsilon_t^\gamma, \quad (10)$$

where  $\epsilon_t$  is the time scale and  $A$  is a constant.

<sup>3</sup>Godreche, C., 2003. Dynamics of condensation in zero-range processes. *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and General*, 36(23), p.6313.



# Analysis of $P_k(\eta)$

For  $k = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} p_1(t) &= -g(1)p_1(t) - \langle g \rangle p_1(t) + \frac{1}{\rho} \langle g \rangle f_0(t) + \frac{1}{2} g(2) p_2(t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} g(2) p_2(t) - 2 \langle g \rangle p_1(t) + \sum_{k \geq 2} \frac{1}{k} (g(k) - \langle g \rangle) p_k(t). \end{aligned}$$

For  $k > 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} p_k(t) &= \frac{k}{k+1} g(k+1) p_{k+1}(t) + \frac{k}{k-1} \langle g \rangle p_{k-1}(t) \\ &\quad - \left( \frac{k-1}{k} g(k) + \frac{k+1}{k} \langle g \rangle \right) p_k(t) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{k} (\langle g \rangle - g(k)) p_k(t). \end{aligned}$$

# Birth death with killing/cloning ( $X_t : t \geq 0$ )

birth rate	$\frac{k+1}{k} \langle g \rangle$ , for $k > 0$ ,
death rate	$\frac{k-1}{k} g(k)$ , for $k > 1$ ,
rate from $k$ to 1	$\frac{1}{k} (g(k) - \langle g \rangle)_+$ , for $k > 1$ ,
cloning rate	$\frac{1}{k} (\langle g \rangle - g(k))_+$ , for $k > 1$ ,
killing rate	$\sum_{k>1} \frac{1}{k} (\langle g \rangle - g(k))_+$ , for $k = 1$ ,

where we denote by  $(\cdot)_+ = \max\{0, (\cdot)\}$  the positive part of the expression and  $\langle g \rangle = \rho \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{g(k)}{k} p_k(t)$ .

# Relations

$$\rho p_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = k f_k^{\text{cond}}(t).$$

$$\sum_k p_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = \frac{1}{\rho} \sum_k k f_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = \frac{\rho - \rho_c}{\rho}.$$

## Scaling form

$$p_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = \frac{1}{\rho} k f_k^{\text{cond}}(t) = \frac{1}{\rho} u h(u) \epsilon_t.$$

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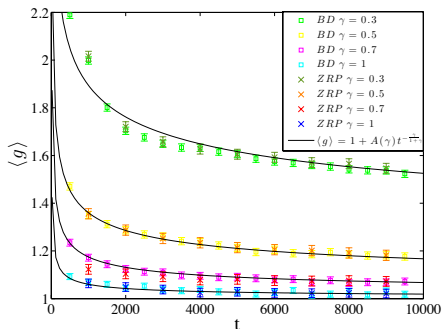
Simulation of BD chains:  $\langle g \rangle \approx \langle g \rangle_m$ 

$$f_k(t) : Y_t^i$$

$$\langle g \rangle_m = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m g(Y_t^i)$$

$$p_k(t) : X_t^i$$

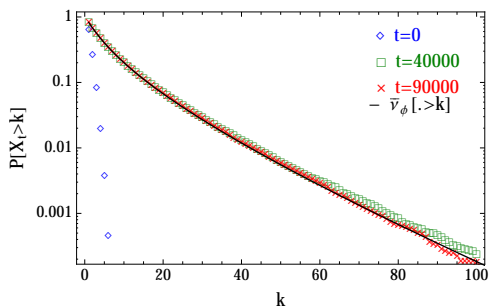
$$\langle g \rangle_m = \rho \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{g(X_t^i)}{X_t^i}$$

Figure :  $\langle g \rangle$ . Parameter values are  $b = 4$ ,  $\rho = 2$ , and  $L = m = 1024$ .

# Subcritical case

## Size-biased marginals of stationary measure

$$\bar{v}_\phi(k) := \frac{k}{R(\phi)} v_\phi[\eta_x = k]$$



**Figure :** Convergence to the tail distribution of the size-biased marginal. Parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$  with  $b = 2.5$ ,  $\rho = 1 < \rho_c = 2$  and  $m = 10^5$ .

# Supercritical case : Phase separation

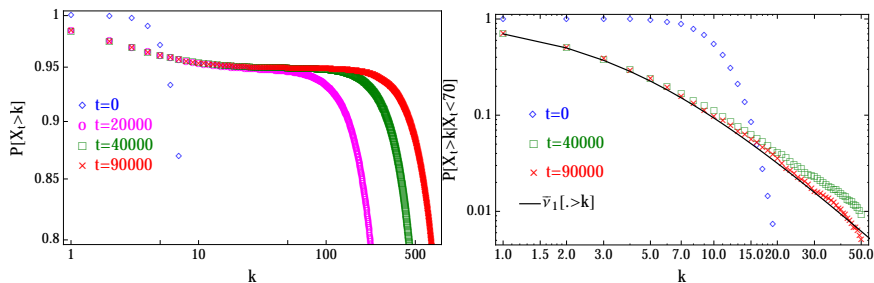
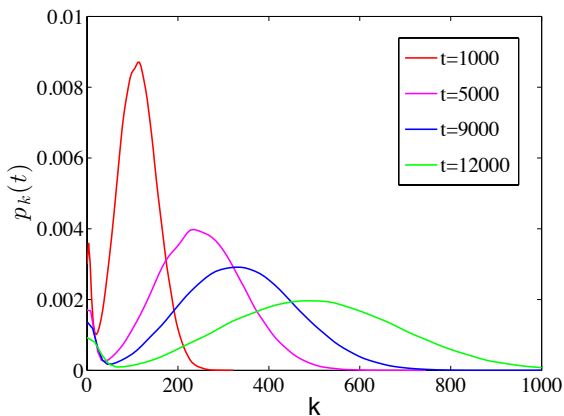


Figure :  $X_t$  ensemble size is  $m = 10^5$  with parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$ ,  $b = 4$  and  $\rho = 10 > \rho_c = 0.5$ .

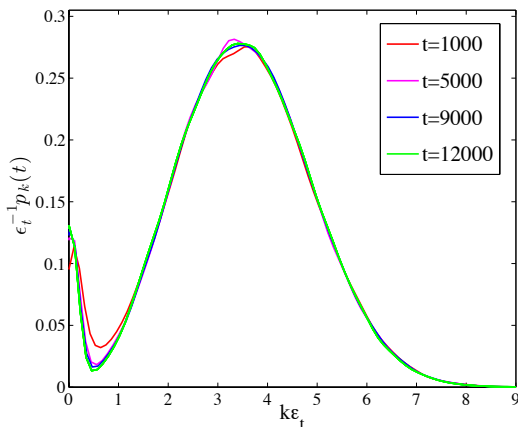
# Dynamics of $X_t$



**Figure :**  $X_t$  ensemble size is  $m = 10^5$  with parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$ ,  $b = 4$  and  $\rho = 10 > \rho_c = 0.5$ .



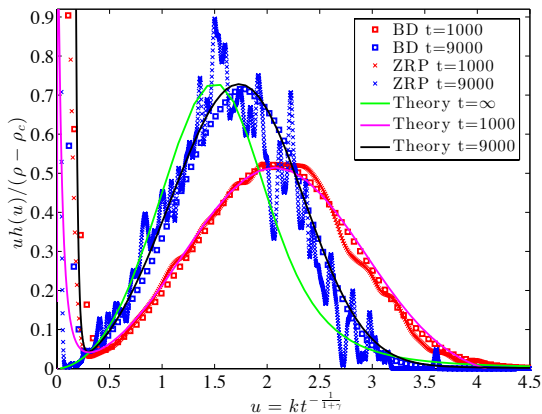
# Scaling behavior



**Figure :**  $X_t$  ensemble size is  $m = 10^5$  with parameter values are  $\gamma = 1$ ,  $b = 4$  and  $\rho = 10 > \rho_c = 0.5$ .

# Theoretical comparison $\gamma = 0.5$

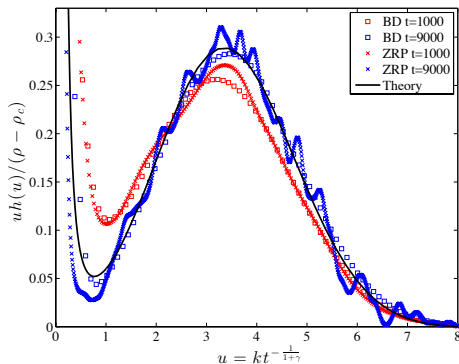
$$t^{-\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} h''(u) + \left( \frac{u}{(\gamma+1)} + \frac{b}{u^\gamma} - A \right) h'(u) + \left( \frac{2}{(\gamma+1)} - \frac{b\gamma}{u^{\gamma+1}} \right) h(u) = 0$$



**Figure :** Parameter values are  $b = 4$ ,  $\rho = 2$  with  $\gamma = 0.5$  and ensemble size  $L = m = 1024$ .

# Theoretical comparison $\gamma = 1$

$$h''(u) + \left( \frac{1}{2}u - A + \frac{b}{u} \right) h'(u) + \left( 1 - \frac{b}{u^2} \right) h(u) = 0.$$



**Figure :** Parameter values are  $b = 4$ ,  $\rho = 2$  with  $\gamma = 1$  and ensemble size  $L = m = 1024$ .

$\sigma^2(t)$  $\sigma^2(t)$ 

$$\sigma^2(t) = \rho \mathbb{E}[p_k(t)] = \rho \sum_k k p_k(t) = \sum_k k^2 f_k(t).$$

Time evolution of  $\sigma^2(t)$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \sigma^2(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{k \geq 1} k^2 f_k(t) \\ &= 2\rho(\langle g \rangle - 1) + 2 \left( \langle g \rangle - b \sum_{k \geq 1} k^{1-\gamma} f_k(t) \right). \end{aligned}$$

# $f_k(t)$ and $p_k(t)$

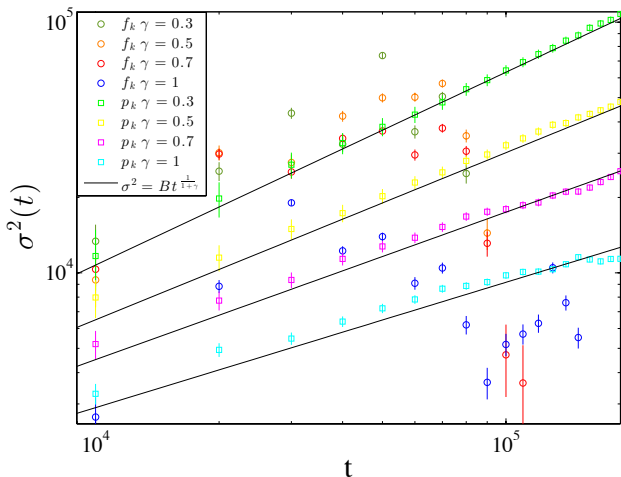


Figure : Parameter values are  $b = 4$ ,  $m = 1000$  and  $\rho = 10$ ,

# $\rho_k(t)$ and ZRP

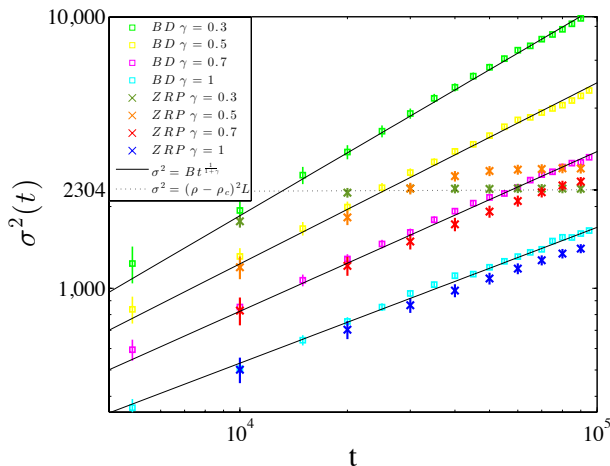


Figure : Parameter values are  $b = 4$ ,  $\rho = 2$  and system size  $L = m = 1024$ .

# Inclusion processes (IP)

$$u(n) = n, \quad v(n) = d + n, \quad d > 0$$

$$(\mathcal{L}f)(\eta) = \sum_{x,y \in \Lambda} \frac{1}{L-1} \eta_x (d + \eta_y) (f(\eta^{x \rightarrow y}) - f(\eta)). \quad (11)$$

Under the condition of  $d \rightarrow 0^4$ , the critical density of IP is  $\rho_c = 0$ . The condensate contains all particles and can be localised on any site of the lattice.

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<sup>4</sup>Grosskinsky, S., Redig, F. and Vafayi, K., 2011. Condensation in the inclusion process and related models. Journal of Statistical Physics, 142(5), pp.952-974.

# $p_k(t)$ of IP

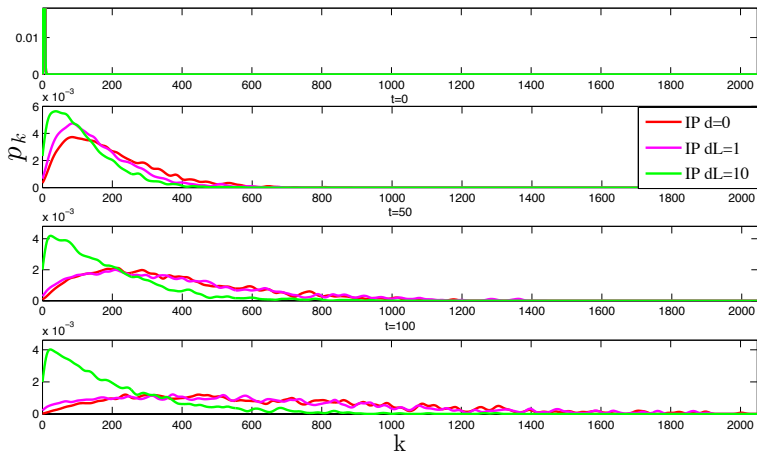


Figure : IP with  $L = 1024$  and  $\rho = 2$ .



# $f_k(t)$ of IP

With  $\langle \eta \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k f_k(t) = \rho$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} f_k(t) &= (k+1)(d+\rho) f_{k+1}(t) + \rho(d+(k-1)) f_{k-1}(t) \\ &\quad - (dk + 2\rho k + \rho d) f_k(t), \end{aligned}$$

valid for all  $k \geq 0$  with the convention  $f_{-1}(t) \equiv 0, \forall t \geq 0$ .

This is a birth death chain with state space  $\mathbb{N}_0$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \text{birth rate} &= \rho(d+k) \\ \text{death rate} &= (d+\rho)k. \end{aligned}$$

## Case $d=0$

When  $d = 0$ , this leads to a linear birth death chain with birth rate = death rate =  $\rho k$

$$\frac{d}{dt}f_k(t) = \rho(k+1)f_{k+1}(t) + \rho(k-1)f_{k-1}(t) - 2\rho kf_k(t). \quad (12)$$

We assume that  $f_k(t)$  takes the scaling form

$$f_k(t) = \epsilon_t^2 h(u), \quad \text{with } u = k\epsilon_t. \quad (13)$$

With  $\epsilon_t = \frac{1}{\rho t}$ , we have

$$uh''(u) + (2+u)h'(u) + 2h(u) = 0. \quad (14)$$

# $P_k$ $d=0$

When  $d = 0$  in  $p_k$ ,

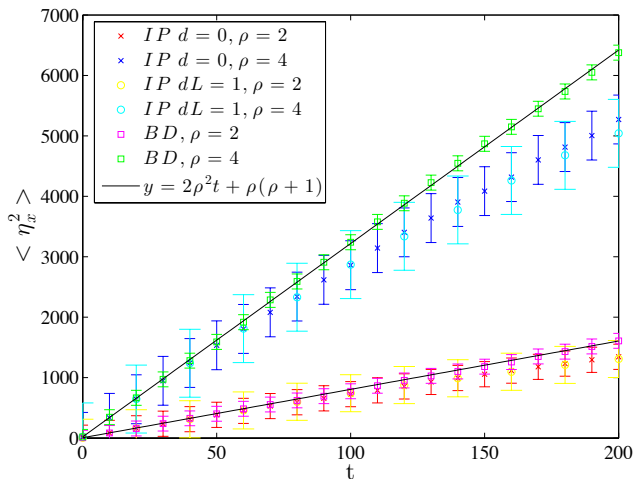
$$\frac{d}{dt} p_k(t) = \rho k p_{k+1}(t) + \rho k p_{k-1}(t) - 2\rho k p_k(t), \quad (15)$$

for all  $k \geq 1$  with the convention  $p_0(t) = p_{-1}(t) = 0$ .

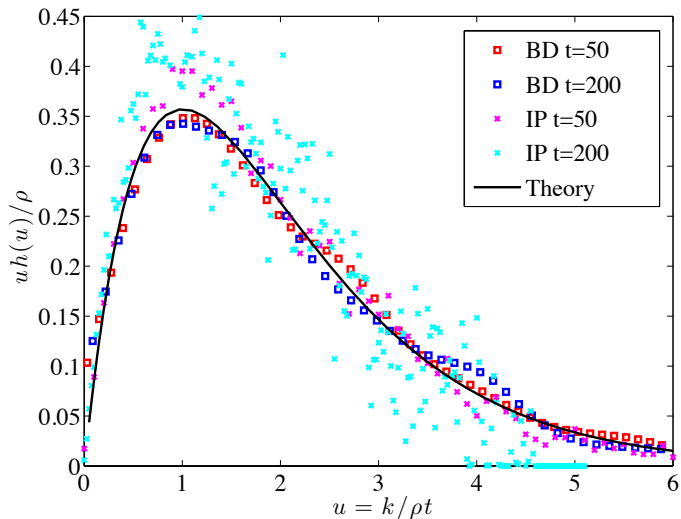
$$\sum_k k p_k(t) = 2\rho t + C,$$

where  $C = \rho + 1$  as it is simply the sized-biased initial condition of  $Poi(\rho)$ . Hence,

$$\sigma^2(t) = \mathbb{E}[f_k] = \rho \mathbb{E}[p_k] = 2\rho^2 t + \rho(\rho + 1)$$



**Figure :**  $\sigma^2(t)$  of system size 1024 from simulation of CGIP  $d = 0$ ,  $dL = 1$  and the birth-death  $p_k$  chain.



**Figure :** Normalised  $uh(u) = \epsilon_t^{-1} \rho p_k(\eta)$  birth-death and IP simulation for  $L = 1024, d = 0, \rho = 4$ . Plotting against the solution of (14).

# Self-duality

The SIP<sup>5</sup> is self-dual with the duality function :

$$D(\xi, \eta) = \prod_x d(\xi_x, \eta_x),$$

where  $d(k, n) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \frac{\Gamma(d)}{\Gamma(d+k)}$ .

The self-duality of the SIP is then given by

$$\mathbb{E}_\eta[D(\xi, \eta(t))] = \mathbb{E}_\xi[D(\xi(t), \eta)].$$

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<sup>5</sup>Giardina, C., Kurchan, J., Redig, F. and Vafayi, K., 2009. Duality and hidden symmetries in interacting particle systems. *Journal of Statistical Physics*, 135(1), pp.25-55.

# Time dependent variances $\sigma^2(t)$

## Proposition

For  $x \neq y \in \Lambda$ , and for every initial product measure  $\nu_\rho$  with density  $\rho$  and second moment  $\sigma_0^2$  we have

$$\sigma^2(t) = \sigma_0^2 \mathbb{P}_{x,x}[X_t = Y_t] + \left( \frac{d\rho(1+\rho) + \rho^2}{d} \right) \mathbb{P}_{x,x}[X_t \neq Y_t], \quad (16)$$

where  $X_t$  and  $Y_t$  denote the particle positions for two SIP-particles.

# Exact computations for two dual particles

Consider the process with only two particles called  $Z_t$  which has only 2 states which is either both particles are on the same site i.e.  $Z_t = 0$  or they are on two different sites i.e.  $Z_t = 1$ . This process has Q-matrix :

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} -2d(L-1) & 2d(L-1) \\ 2(d+1) & -2(d+1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonalise  $Q$  which has eigenvalues 0 and  $-2(1+dL)$  to obtain  $Q = U\Lambda U^{-1}$  where

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2(1+dL) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$P_t = \frac{1}{(1+dL)} \begin{pmatrix} (d+1) + d(L-1)e^{-2(1+dL)t} & d(L-1)[1 - e^{-2(1+dL)t}] \\ (d+1)[1 - e^{-2(1+dL)t}] & d(L-1) + 2(d+1)e^{-2(1+dL)t} \end{pmatrix}.$$



$$\sigma^2(t) = \sigma_0^2 \mathbb{P}_0[Z_t = 0] + \left( \frac{d\rho(1 + \rho) + \rho^2}{d} \right) \mathbb{P}_0[Z_t = 1].$$

Using  $\mathbb{P}_0(Z_t = 0) = \frac{1}{1+dL} [(d+1) + d(L-1)e^{-2(1+dL)t}]$ ,

$$\sigma^2(t) = \rho(\rho + 1) + \frac{\rho^2(L-1)}{1+dL} (1 - e^{-2(1+dL)t}). \quad (17)$$

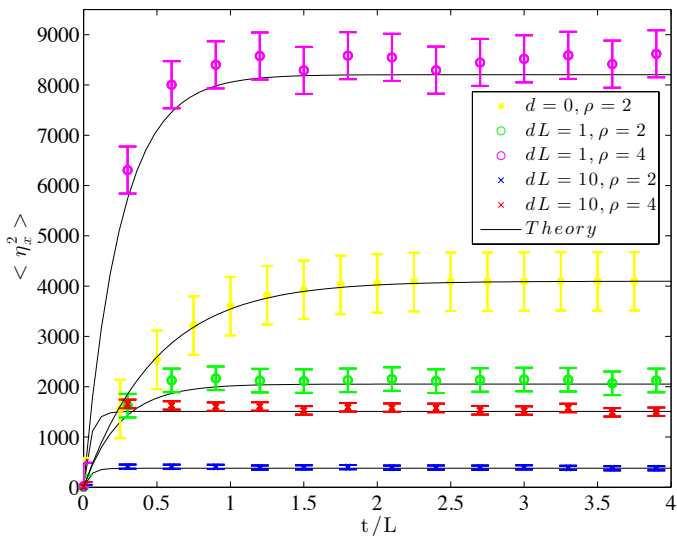


Figure : The second moment  $\sigma^2(t)$  of IP  $L = 1024$ .

# Conclusion

- The coarsening time scale of CGZRP is  $\epsilon_t = t^{-\frac{1}{1+\gamma}}$  for  $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ .
- The coarsening time scale of CGIP  $d = 0$  is  $\epsilon_t = \frac{1}{\rho t}$
- The use of the size-biased birth death chain provides a strong tool to analyze the dynamics without finite size effects and significantly improves statistics.
- This approach is generic and can be adapted to other condensing particle systems such as Inclusion processes (work in progress).

# For Further Reading



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