

# L<sup>1</sup>-CONTRACTION AND STRONG CONVERGENCE OF APPROXIMATIONS FOR A PSEUDOMONOTONE SPDE

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**Abstract.** We prove an L<sup>1</sup>-contraction principle to the problem

$$\begin{cases} du - \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2}\nabla u + F(u)) dt = H(u) dW & \text{in } \Omega \times Q_T, \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \Omega \times (0, T) \times \partial D, \\ u(0, \cdot) = u_0 \in L^2(D) & \text{in } \Omega \times D, \end{cases}$$

for a cylindrical Wiener process  $W(t)$  in  $L^2(D)$  with respect to a filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  satisfying the usual assumptions,  $p \geq 2$  and  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  locally Lipschitz continuous. We consider the case of multiplicative noise with  $H : L^2(D) \rightarrow HS(L^2(D))$ ,  $HS(L^2(D))$  being the space of Hilbert-Schmidt operators, satisfying appropriate regularity conditions. Moreover, we discuss conditions for strong convergence of approximate solutions and adapt the argument of Gyöngy and Krylov.

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## §1. Introduction

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a complete, countably generated probability space (for example the classical Wiener space),  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain,  $T > 0$ ,  $Q_T := (0, T) \times D$  and  $p \geq 2$ . For separable Hilbert spaces  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}$ , we denote the space of Hilbert-Schmidt operators from  $\mathcal{U}$  to  $\mathcal{H}$  by  $HS(\mathcal{U}; \mathcal{H})$ . We are interested in

$$\begin{cases} du - \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u|^{p-2}\nabla u + F(u)) dt = H(u) dW & \text{in } \Omega \times Q_T, \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \Omega \times (0, T) \times \partial D, \\ u(0, \cdot) = u_0 \in L^2(D) & \text{in } \Omega \times D, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

for  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  locally Lipschitz continuous.  $H : L^2(D) \rightarrow HS(L^2(D))$  satisfies the following assumption: For an orthonormal basis  $(e_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $L^2(D)$  and  $u \in L^2(D)$ ,

$$H(u)(e_n) := \{x \mapsto h_n(u(x))\},$$

where, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h_n : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function such that

$$(H1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |h_n(\lambda) - h_n(\mu)|^2 \leq C_1 |\lambda - \mu|^2$$

holds for a constant  $C_1 \geq 0$ .  $W(t)$  is a cylindrical Wiener process with values in  $L^2(D)$  with respect to a filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  satisfying the usual assumptions. More precisely: Let  $(e_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $L^2(D)$  and  $(\beta_n(t))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  a sequence of independent, real-valued  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -Brownian motions. We (formally) define

$$W(t) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n \beta_n(t). \tag{2}$$

It is easy to see that the sum on the right-hand side of (2) does not converge in  $L^2(D)$ . It has to be understood in the following sense (see, e.g. [3]): For  $u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n e_n$  and  $v = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n e_n$

$$(u, v)_U := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{u_n v_n}{n^2}$$

is a scalar product on  $L^2(D)$ . Let  $U$  be the linear space obtained by completion of  $L^2(D)$  with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_U$  induced by  $(\cdot, \cdot)_U$ . It follows immediately that  $(U, (\cdot, \cdot)_U)$  is a Hilbert space and  $(ne_n)$  is an orthonormal basis of  $U$ . Since

$$W(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n \beta_n(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} (ne_n) \beta_n(t), \tag{3}$$

$W(t)$  can be interpreted as  $Q$ -Wiener process with covariance Matrix  $Q = \text{diag}(\frac{1}{n^2})$  and values in  $U$ . Since  $Q^{\frac{1}{2}}(U) = L^2(D)$ , for all square integrable and predictable  $\Phi : \Omega \times (0, T) \rightarrow HS(L^2(D))$  the stochastic integral with respect to the cylindrical Wiener process  $W(t)$  is well-defined.

Due to the term  $-\text{div } F(u)$  the equation (1) is pseudomonotone. Therefore the classical results of well-posedness in [10] do not apply to (1). In order to show existence and uniqueness of solutions to (1), one can use an implicit time discretization. Well-posedness of (1) is the subject of a forthcoming research article.

In this contribution, we want to present some partial results: Firstly, we prove an  $L^1$ -contraction principle which, in particular, implies pathwise uniqueness of (1).

Further results are devoted to the question of strong convergence of approximate solutions  $(u_N)$  for (1), e.g., the approximate solutions constructed from an implicit Euler scheme. In the deterministic case, the a-priori estimates provide only weak convergence of  $(u_N)$  and strong convergence is obtained by a compactness argument. In the case of a stochastic PDE with multiplicative noise we apply Skorokhod's theorem: We change the probability space in order to pass to the limit in all nonlinear expressions. The solution obtained in this way is a martingale solution on a different stochastic basis  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, (\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t), \hat{P})$  with respect to a different,  $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t$ -Wiener process  $\hat{W}(t)$ .

The argument of Gyöngy and Krylov (see [4]) is based on a result from Yamada and Watanabe (see [12]) and states, roughly speaking, that existence of a martingale solution together with pathwise uniqueness of an SPDE implies the convergence in probability of the (Euler) approximation on any probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Recall that (1) is called pathwise unique, if whenever  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, (\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t), \hat{P}, \hat{W}(t), u^1)$ ,  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, (\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t), \hat{P}, \hat{W}(t), u^2)$  are solutions to (1) with respect

to the same initial value  $u_0$ , then  $u_1(t) = u_2(t)$  a.s. in  $\hat{\Omega}$  for any  $t \in [0, T]$ . The crucial step in the argument of Gyöngy and Krylov is the construction of two martingale solutions  $u^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  without changing the quantities  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, (\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t), \hat{P}, \hat{W}(t))$ . To this end, one can adapt a direct martingale identification argument developed in [9], [2] and avoid the use of the martingale representation theorem. The ideas of [9], [2] have been generalized and applied to stochastic differential equations in [6] and [7]. In [5], the direct martingale representation argument has been applied in combination with the Gyöngy-Krylov argument to degenerate parabolic SPDEs. Recently, the technique of [5] has been adapted to the stochastic isentropic Euler equations (see [1]).

### §2. $L^1$ contraction principle

**Proposition 1.** *Assume that  $W(t)$  is a cylindrical Wiener process in  $L^2(D)$  with respect to the stochastic basis  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t), P)$  and  $u_1, u_2$  are solutions to (1) with respect to the initial values  $u_{01}$  and  $u_{02}$  in  $L^2(D)$  respectively on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t), P)$ . Then, we have*

$$E \int_D |u_1(t) - u_2(t)| dx \leq \int_D |u_{01} - u_{02}| dx \tag{4}$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

*Proof.* For  $\delta > 0$ , let  $\eta_\delta$  be an approximation of the absolute value, i.e.

$$\eta_\delta(r) = \begin{cases} -r & \text{if } r < -2\delta, \\ \frac{r^2}{2\delta} & \text{if } -2\delta \leq r \leq 2\delta, \\ r & \text{if } r > 2\delta. \end{cases}$$

Using the Itô formula, it follows that

$$I_1 = I_2 + I_3 + I_4 + I_5 \tag{5}$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$  a.s. in  $\Omega$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_D \eta_\delta(u_1 - u_2)(t) dx - \int_D \eta_\delta(u_{01} - u_{02}) dx, \\ I_2 &= - \int_0^t \int_D (|\nabla u_1|^{p-2} \nabla u_1 - |\nabla u_2|^{p-2} \nabla u_2) \cdot \nabla(u_1 - u_2) \eta'_\delta(u_1 - u_2) dx ds, \\ I_3 &= - \int_0^t \int_D (F(u_1) - F(u_2)) \cdot \nabla(u_1 - u_2) \eta'_\delta(u_1 - u_2) dx ds, \\ I_4 &= \int_0^t (\eta'_\delta(u_1 - u_2), H(u_1) - H(u_2) dW)_2, \\ I_5 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \eta''_\delta(u_1 - u_2) \|H(u_1) - H(u_2)\|_{HS(L^2(D))}^2 ds. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Since  $\eta_\delta$  is convex, it follows that  $I_2 \leq 0$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , a.s. in  $\Omega$ . Moreover,  $E[I_4] = 0$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . Therefore, from (5) and (6) it follows that

$$E[I_1] \leq E[I_3] + E[I_5]. \tag{7}$$

Since, for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\eta_\delta(u_1 - u_2)(t)$  converges to  $|(u_1 - u_2)(t)|$  for  $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$  a.e. in  $\Omega \times D$ , and  $|\eta_\delta(u_1 - u_2)(t)| \leq |(u_1 - u_2)(t)|$  for all  $\delta > 0$  a.s. in  $\Omega \times D$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} E[I_1] = E \int_D |u_1(t) - u_2(t)| dx - E \int_D |u_{01} - u_{02}| dx \tag{8}$$

for any  $t \in [0, T]$ . For any  $\delta > 0$  we have

$$\eta''_\delta(u_1 - u_2) = \frac{1}{2\delta} \chi_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}}$$

a.s. on  $\Omega \times Q_T$ , thus for  $L \geq 0$  being the Lipschitz constant of  $F$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E[I_3]| &\leq \frac{1}{2\delta} E \int_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}} |F(u_1) - F(u_2)| |\nabla(u_1 - u_2)| dx ds \\ &\leq \frac{L}{2\delta} E \int_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}} |u_1 - u_2| |\nabla(u_1 - u_2)| dx ds \\ &\leq LE \int_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}} |\nabla(u_1 - u_2)| dx ds. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Similarly, by (H1)

$$\begin{aligned} |E[I_5]| &\leq \frac{1}{2\delta} E \int_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |h_n(u_1) - h_n(u_2)|^2 dx ds \\ &\leq \frac{C_1}{2\delta} E \int_{\{|u_1 - u_2| \leq 2\delta\}} |u_1 - u_2|^2 dx ds \\ &\leq 2\delta C \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

where  $C \geq 0$  is a constant not depending on  $\delta > 0$ . Thus from (9) it follows that

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} E[I_3] = E \int_{\{u_1 = u_2\}} |\nabla(u_1 - u_2)| dx ds = 0 \tag{11}$$

and from (10) it follows that  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} E[I_5] = 0$ . □

### §3. Pathwise uniqueness and strong convergence

If  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  are solutions to (1) with respect to the same initial value  $u_0 \in L^2(D)$  and  $\mu_{1,2}$  is the joint law of  $(u_1, u_2)$  on  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$ , by Proposition 1 it follows that

$$\mu_{1,2}(\{(\xi, \zeta) \in L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \mid \xi = \zeta\}) = \int_{\Omega \times \Omega} \chi_{\{u_1 = u_2\}} dP \otimes dP = 1,$$

hence the support of  $\mu_{1,2}$  is contained in the diagonal of  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$ . The concept of pathwise uniqueness is linked to the concept of existence of strong solutions via the following Lemma (see [4], Lemma 1.1, p.144 and 145):

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $V$  be a Polish space equipped with the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra. A sequence of  $V$ -valued random variables  $(X_n)$  converges in probability if and only if for every pair of subsequences  $X_n$  and  $X_m$  there exists a joint subsequence  $(X_{n_k}, X_{m_k})$  which converges for  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in law to a probability measure  $\mu$  such that*

$$\mu(\{(w, z) \in V \times V \mid w = z\}) = 1.$$

### §4. Assumptions and convergence results

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t), P)$  be the original stochastic basis for (1) and  $W(t)$  the corresponding cylindrical  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -Wiener process in  $L^2(D)$ . Assume now that  $(u_N)$  is a sequence of square-integrable, left-continuous and  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -adapted stochastic processes on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  with values in  $L^2(D)$  which is tight in  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$  satisfying

$$E \int_0^T \|\nabla u_N\|^p dt \leq C \tag{12}$$

for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \geq 2$  and some constant  $C \geq 0$ .

Let  $(u_M)$  and  $(u_L)$  be a pair of subsequences of  $(u_N)$ . Since  $(u_M, u_L, W)$  is tight on

$$L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times C([0, T]; U),$$

according to Prokhorov's theorem we can extract a joint subsequence  $\mu^j := (u_{M_j}, u_{L_j}, W)$  which converges in law to some probability measure  $\mu$ . Applying the theorem of Skorokhod of [11], Theorem 1.10.4 and Addendum 1.10.5, p.59 to  $(u_{M_j}, u_{L_j}, W)$  we find a probability space  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, \hat{P})$ , a sequence of measurable functions

$$\Phi_j : (\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}) \rightarrow (\Omega, \mathcal{F}), \quad j \in \mathbb{N}$$

such that  $P = \hat{P} \circ \Phi_j^{-1}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and measurable functions  $u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, W_\infty$  having the following properties:

- i.)  $\hat{u}_{M_j} := u_{M_j} \circ \phi_j \rightarrow u_\infty^1$  in  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$  for  $j \rightarrow \infty$  a.s. in  $\hat{\Omega}$ ,
- ii.)  $\hat{u}_{L_j} := u_{L_j} \circ \phi_j \rightarrow u_\infty^2$  in  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$  for  $j \rightarrow \infty$  a.s. in  $\hat{\Omega}$ ,
- iii.)  $W_j := W \circ \phi_j \rightarrow W_\infty$  in  $C([0, T]; U)$  for  $j \rightarrow \infty$  a.s. in  $\hat{\Omega}$ .
- iv.)  $\mathcal{L}(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, W) = \mu$ .

The following Lemma is a direct consequence of (14), (12), the Vitali theorem and the equality of laws of  $W$  and  $W_j$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ :

**Lemma 3.** *We have the following convergence results for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ :*

- i.)  $\hat{u}_{M_j} \rightarrow u_\infty^1$  and  $\hat{u}_{L_j} \rightarrow u_\infty^2$  in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega}; L^2(0, T; L^2(D)))$
- ii.)  $W_j \rightarrow W_\infty$  in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega}; C([0, T]; U))$
- iii.)  $W_j(t) - W_j(s) \rightarrow W_\infty(t) - W_\infty(s)$  in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega}; U)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$

iv.) For all  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$  and all  $\psi \in C_b(L^2(0, s; L^2(D)))^2 \times C([0, T]; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, s]; U)$

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j) = \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty) \tag{13}$$

in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega})$ .

Assume that there exist  $B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2$  in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega}; C([0, T]; L^2(D)))$  such that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} B_{M_j} = B_\infty^1, \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} B_{L_j} = B_\infty^2 \tag{14}$$

in  $L^2(\hat{\Omega}; C([0, T]; L^2(D)))$ . Moreover, assume that for  $i = 1, 2$ , the function  $u_\infty^i : \hat{\Omega} \times [0, T] \rightarrow L^2(D)$  is a stochastic process with  $u_\infty^i(0) = u_0$  and there exists  $G^i \in L^p(\hat{\Omega} \times Q_T)^d$  such that

$$u_\infty^i(t) = B_\infty^i(t) + u_0 + \int_0^t \operatorname{div}(G^i + F(u_\infty^i)) ds \tag{15}$$

holds in  $L^2(D)$  a.s. in  $\hat{\Omega}$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . Let us denote the augmentation of the filtration  $\sigma(W_j(s))_{0 \leq s \leq t, t \in [0, T]}$  by  $(\mathcal{F}_t^j)$ . It is a direct consequence of Skorokhod's theorem and [3], Theorem 4.4, p. 89 that  $W_j(t)$  is a  $Q$ -Wiener process in  $U$  with respect to  $(\mathcal{F}_t^j)$ , thus a cylindrical  $\mathcal{F}_t^j$ -Wiener process in  $L^2(D)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover  $\hat{u}_{M_j} = u_{M_j} \circ \phi_j$ ,  $\hat{u}_{L_j} = u_{L_j} \circ \phi_j$  are left-continuous,  $\mathcal{F}_t^j$ -adapted processes with values in  $L^2(D)$  and therefore the stochastic integrals

$$B_{M_j}(t) := \int_0^t H(u_{M_j}) dW_j, B_{L_j}(t) := \int_0^t H(u_{L_j}) dW_j, t \in [0, T]$$

are well-defined. Note that by assumption (15)

$$B_\infty^i(t) = u_\infty^i(t) - u_0 - \int_0^t \operatorname{div}(G^i + F(u_\infty^i)) ds \tag{16}$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . The right-hand side of (16) can not be written as a nice operator applied to  $u_\infty^i(t)$ . Therefore, it is in general not clear if  $B_\infty^i$  is adapted to  $\sigma(u_\infty^1(s), u_\infty^2(s), W_\infty(s))_{0 \leq s \leq t}$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$  thus we define  $(\mathcal{F}_t^\infty)$  to be the augmentation of the filtration

$$\sigma(u_\infty^1(s), u_\infty^2(s), B_\infty^1(s), B_\infty^2(s), W_\infty(s))_{0 \leq s \leq t}, t \in [0, T].$$

### §5. Martingale identification argument

**Lemma 4.** For  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $B_\infty^i(t)$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -martingale with quadratic variation process

$$\ll B_\infty^i \gg_t = \int_0^t \mathbf{H}(u_\infty^i) \circ \mathbf{H}^*(u_\infty^i) ds \tag{17}$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$ , where we use the notation

$$\mathbf{H}(u) := H(u) \circ Q^{1/2}, u \in L^2(D).$$

*Proof.* Let  $(e_l)$  be an orthonormal basis of  $L^2(D)$ . We fix  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $\psi \in C_b(L^2(0, s; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, T]; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, s]; U))$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover, for  $u \in L^2(D)$ , and  $B(r) \in L^2(D)$ ,  $r \in [0, T]$  we define

$$(B, e_n, e_m)(r) := (B(r), e_n)_2 (B(r), e_m)_2,$$

$$\Lambda(s, t, u, e_n, e_m) := \left( \left[ \int_s^t \mathbf{H}(u) \circ \mathbf{H}^*(u) dr \right] (e_n, e_m) \right)_2.$$

Since  $B_{M_j}(t)$  and  $B_{L_j}(t)$  are stochastic integrals, from the convergence results of Lemma 3 and Assumption (14) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} E[(B_{M_j}(t) - B_{M_j}(s), e_n)_2 \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j)] \\ &= E[(B_\infty^1(t) - B_\infty^1(s), e_n)_2 \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)], \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} E[(B_{L_j}(t) - B_{L_j}(s), e_n)_2 \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j)] \\ &= E[(B_\infty^2(t) - B_\infty^2(s), e_n)_2 \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)], \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E[((B_{M_j}, e_n, e_m)(t) - (B_{M_j}, e_n, e_m)(s) - \Lambda(s, t, \hat{u}_{M_j}, e_n, e_m)) \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j)] \\ &\rightarrow E[((B_\infty^1, e_n, e_m)(t) - (B_\infty^1, e_n, e_m)(s) - \Lambda(s, t, u_\infty^1, e_n, e_m)) \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)], \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E[((B_{L_j}, e_n, e_m)(t) - (B_{L_j}, e_n, e_m)(s) - \Lambda(s, t, \hat{u}_{L_j}, e_n, e_m)) \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j)] \\ &\rightarrow E[((B_\infty^2, e_n, e_m)(t) - (B_\infty^2, e_n, e_m)(s) - \Lambda(s, t, u_\infty^2, e_n, e_m)) \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)]. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . □

**Lemma 5.**  $W_\infty(t)$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -martingale.

*Proof.* By definition of  $(\mathcal{F}_t^\infty)$ ,  $W_\infty$  is adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}_t^\infty)$ . We fix  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $\psi \in C_b(L^2(0, s; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, T]; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, s]; U))$  and  $h \in U$ . Since  $\hat{u}_{M_j}$  and  $\hat{u}_{L_j}$  are  $\mathcal{F}_t^j$ -adapted and  $B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}$  are stochastic integrals with respect to  $W_j$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$E[(W_j(t) - W_j(s), h)_U \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j)] = 0 \quad (22)$$

for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Using the convergence results of Lemma 3, we may pass to the limit with  $j \rightarrow \infty$  in (22) and find that

$$E[(W_\infty(t) - W_\infty(s), h)_U \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)] = 0. \quad (23)$$

□

**Lemma 6.**  $W_\infty(t)$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -Wiener process.

*Remark 1.* In particular, Lemma 6 implies that  $W_\infty(t)$  is a cylindrical Wiener process in  $L^2(D)$  with increments  $W(t) - W(s)$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ , independent of  $\mathcal{F}_s^\infty$ .

*Proof.* From Lemma 5 it follows that  $W_\infty(t)$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -martingale with  $W_\infty(0) = 0$ . According to [3], Theorem 4.4, p. 89 it is left to show that

$$\ll W_\infty \gg_t = tQ \text{ for all } t \in [0, T]. \tag{24}$$

Let  $(g_l)$  be an orthonormal basis of  $U$ . We fix  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $\psi \in C_b(L^2(0, s; L^2(D)))^2 \times C([0, T]; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, s]; U)$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\ll W_j \gg_t = tQ$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$  and all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , from the convergence results of Lemma 3 it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E[(\langle W_j, g_n, g_m \rangle(t) - \langle W_j, g_n, g_m \rangle(s) - ((t-s)Q(g_n), g_m)_U \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j))] \\ &\rightarrow E[(\langle W_\infty, g_n, g_m \rangle(t) - \langle W_\infty, g_n, g_m \rangle(s) - ((t-s)Q(g_n), g_m)_U \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty))] \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , where

$$\langle W, g_n, g_m \rangle(r) := (W(r), g_n)_U (W(r), g_m)_U$$

for  $W(r) \in U$ ,  $r \in [0, T]$ , thus (24) holds true. □

**Corollary 7.** For  $i = 1, 2$ , the process

$$M_i(t) := \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty, \quad t \in [0, T] \tag{26}$$

is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -martingale with quadratic variation process

$$\ll M_i \gg_t = \int_0^t (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2}) \circ (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2})^* ds$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

*Remark 2.* For  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $u^i : \hat{\Omega} \times [0, T] \rightarrow L^2(D)$  is assumed to be a stochastic process. By definition of  $(\mathcal{F}_t^\infty)$  we get that  $u^i$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -adapted and by Lemma 3 it follows that  $u^i$  is square integrable. From [8], Remark 1.1., p.45 it follows that  $u^i$  is a.s. equal to a predictable process, thus the stochastic integral in (26) is well-defined.

**Lemma 8.** For  $i = 1, 2$  we have the cross quadratic variation process

$$\ll W_\infty, B_\infty^i \gg_t = \int_0^t Q \circ H^*(u_\infty^i) ds. \tag{27}$$

*Proof.* Since, for any square-integrable and predictable  $\phi \in L^2(\hat{\Omega} \times (0, T); HS(L^2(D)))$  and any  $Q$ -Wiener process  $W(t)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t (\phi \circ Q^{1/2}) \circ (\phi \circ Q^{1/2})^* ds &= \ll \int_0^t \phi dW \gg_t \\ &= \ll \int_0^t \phi dW, \int_0^t \phi dW \gg_t \\ &= \int_0^t \phi d \ll W, \int_0^t \phi dW \gg_s, \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$



and from (28) it follows that

$$\ll W, \int_0^t \phi dW \gg = \int_0^t Q^{1/2} \circ (\phi \circ Q^{1/2})^* ds = \int_0^t Q \circ \phi^* ds. \quad (29)$$

Therefore, for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $t \in [0, T]$  we have

$$\ll W_j, B_{M_j} \gg_t = \int_0^t Q \circ H^*(\hat{u}_{M_j}) ds \quad (30)$$

and

$$\ll W_j, B_{L_j} \gg_t = \int_0^t Q \circ H^*(\hat{u}_{L_j}) ds. \quad (31)$$

We choose orthonormal bases  $(g_l)$  of  $U$  and  $(e_l)$  of  $L^2(D)$ , fix  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq t$ ,  $\psi \in C_b(L^2(0, s; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, T]; L^2(D))^2 \times C([0, s]; U))$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Using the convergence results of Lemma 3 and Assumption 14 from (30) and (31) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E[(B_{M_j}, W_j, e_n, g_m)(t) - (B_{M_j}, W_j, e_n, g_m)(s) - \int_s^t (Q \circ H^*(\hat{u}_{M_j})(e_n), g_m)_U dr] \psi_j \\ &\rightarrow E[(B_\infty^1, W_\infty, e_n, g_m)(t) - (B_\infty^1, W_\infty, e_n, g_m)(s) - \int_s^t (Q \circ H^*(u_\infty^1)(e_n), g_m)_U dr] \psi_\infty \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

for  $j \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E[(B_{L_j}, W_j, e_n, g_m)(t) - (B_{L_j}, W_j, e_n, g_m)(s) - \int_s^t (Q \circ H^*(\hat{u}_{L_j})(e_n), g_m)_U dr] \psi_j \\ &\rightarrow E[(B_\infty^2, W_\infty, e_n, g_m)(t) - (B_\infty^2, W_\infty, e_n, g_m)(s) - \int_s^t (Q \circ H(u_\infty^2)(e_n), g_m)_U dr] \psi_\infty \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , where

$$\psi_j := \psi(\hat{u}_{M_j}, \hat{u}_{L_j}, B_{M_j}, B_{L_j}, W_j), \quad \psi_\infty := \psi(u_\infty^1, u_\infty^2, B_\infty^1, B_\infty^2, W_\infty)$$

and

$$(B, W, e_n, g_m)(r) := (B(r), e_n)_2(W(r), g_m)_U$$

for  $r \in [0, T]$  and  $W(r) \in U, B(r) \in L^2(D)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 9.** For  $i = 1, 2$  and all  $t \in [0, T]$  we have

$$\ll \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty - B_\infty^i \gg_t = 0, \quad (34)$$

*Proof.* For  $i = 1, 2$  from Lemmas 4-6 and Corollary 7 it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\ll \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty - B_\infty^i \gg_t \\ &= \ll \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty \gg_t - 2 \ll \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty, B_\infty^i \gg_t + \ll B_\infty^i \gg_t \\ &= 2 \int_0^t (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2}) \circ (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2})^* ds - 2 \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) d \ll W_\infty, B_\infty^i \gg_s \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

where, according to Lemma 8

$$\int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) d \ll W_\infty, B_\infty^i \gg_s$$

$$= \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2} \circ (Q^{1/2})^* \circ H^*(u_\infty^i) ds = \int_0^t (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2}) \circ (H(u_\infty^i) \circ Q^{1/2})^* ds \quad (36)$$

Now, (34) follows from (35) and (36). □

**Corollary 10.** *From Lemma 9 it follows that for  $i = 1, 2$*

$$B_\infty^i(t) = \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

### §6. Conclusion

If, in addition,  $G^i = |\nabla u_\infty^i|^{p-2} \nabla u_\infty^i$  in  $L^{p'}(\hat{\Omega} \times \underline{Q}_T)^d$  holds true for  $i = 1, 2$ , from Assumption (15) it then follows that  $u_\infty^1$  and  $u_\infty^2$  satisfy

$$u_\infty^i(t) = u_0 + \int_0^t \operatorname{div}(|\nabla u_\infty^i|^{p-2} \nabla u_\infty^i + F(u_\infty^i)) ds + \int_0^t H(u_\infty^i) dW_\infty \quad (37)$$

and we have constructed two martingale solutions to (1) with respect to the same stochastic basis  $(\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\mathcal{F}}, (\mathcal{F}^\infty)_t, \hat{P})$  and the same  $\mathcal{F}_t^\infty$ -Wiener process  $W_\infty(t)$ . From Proposition 1 it follows that  $u_\infty^1(t) = u_\infty^2(t)$  as elements of  $L^2(D)$  a.s.  $\hat{\Omega}$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ . Recall that the joint subsequence  $(u_{M_j}, u_{L_j})$  which was extracted from  $(u_N)$  on the original probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  converges in law on  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$  to a probability measure  $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2)$  and by Skorokhod's theorem we have  $\mu_1 = \mathcal{L}(u_\infty^1), \mu_2 = \mathcal{L}(u_\infty^2)$ . Therefore, the support of  $\mu$  is contained in the diagonal of  $L^2(0, T; L^2(D)) \times L^2(0, T; L^2(D))$  and from Lemma 2 it follows that  $(u_N)$  converges in probability.

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