



The KPZ Equation and its space-time discretization

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AIM: Show that, in a suitable sense, $u^\varepsilon \rightarrow u$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

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Convergence

Theorem (C.-Matetski '16)

Let ξ be a space-white noise and $\{\xi^\varepsilon(z)\}_z$ be a family of independent rescaled normal random variable converging to ξ . Let u^ε be the solution to

$$\bar{D}_{t,\varepsilon^2} u^\varepsilon(z) = \Delta_\varepsilon u^\varepsilon(z) + D_{x,\varepsilon} B_\varepsilon(u^\varepsilon, u^\varepsilon)(z) - \mathbf{C} D_{x,\varepsilon} u^\varepsilon + D_{x,\varepsilon} \xi^\varepsilon(z), \quad u^\varepsilon(0, \cdot) = u_0^\varepsilon(\cdot)$$

and u be the solution to

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u + \partial_x u^2 - \mathbf{C} \partial_x u + \partial_x \xi, \quad u(0, \cdot) = u_0(\cdot)$$

then if u_0^ε converges to u_0 a.s. in C^η , then u^ε converges to u in probability in C^{α_*-1} .

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