

Extremal Processes of Gaussian Processes Indexed by Trees

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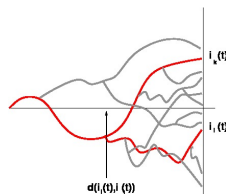
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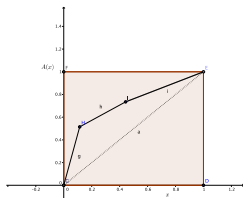
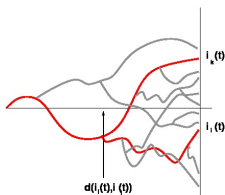


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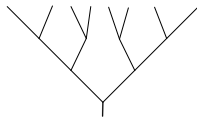
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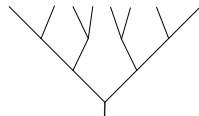
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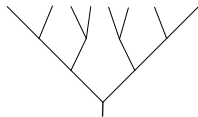


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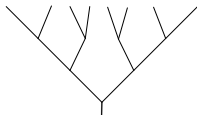
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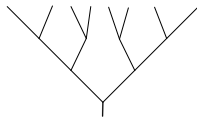
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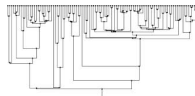


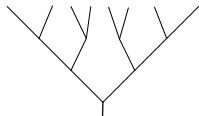
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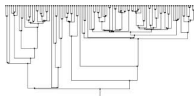


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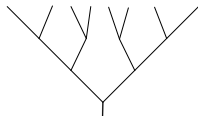
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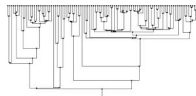


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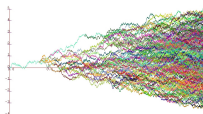


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Picture by **Matt Roberts**, Bath

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- **death:** $-v^2$,
- **diffusive migration:** $\partial_x^2 v$.



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Lemma (McKeane '75, Ikeda, Nagasawa, Watanabe '69)

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ and $\{x_k(t) : k \leq n(t)\}$ BBM.

$$u(t, x) = \mathbb{E} \left[\prod_{k=1}^{n(t)} f(x - x_k(t)) \right]$$

Then $v \equiv 1 - u$ is the solution of the F-KPP equation with initial condition $v(0, x) = 1 - f(x)$.

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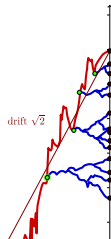
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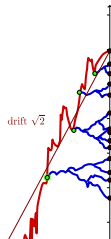
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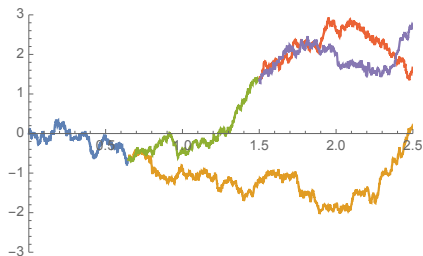


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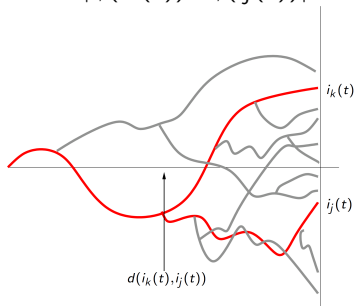


Figure: Underlying branching structure

Embedding

Construct embedding $\gamma : \{1, \dots, n(t)\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ of the tree

$$|\gamma(i_k(t)) - \gamma(i_j(t))| \sim e^{-d(i_k(t), i_j(t))}$$

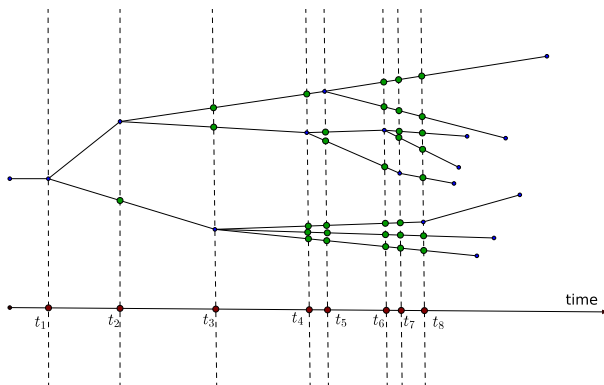


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Let $W(t) =$ number of branchings in $[0, t]$.

$(t_1, \dots, t_{W(t)})$ corresponding time points.

Add extra vertices to the underlying Galton Watson tree:

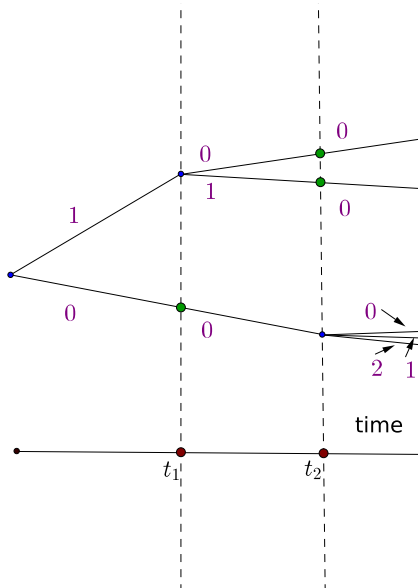


Embedding of the GW tree

Label at each time t_i the edges starting from 0.

Leaf i_k in GW-tree T_t
 $\hat{=}$ multilabel $u^k(t)$

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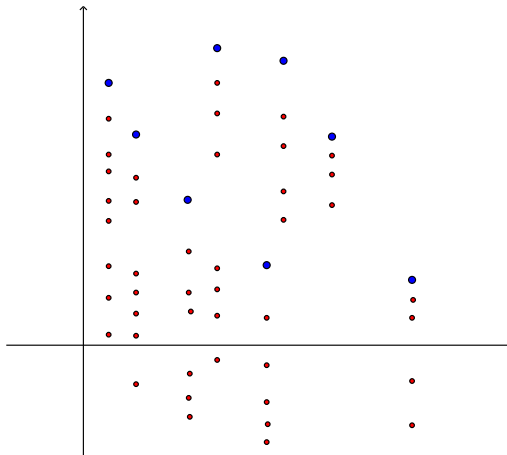
Theorem (B-Hartung '14, AAP)

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$$\tilde{\mathcal{E}} \equiv \sum_{i,j} \delta_{(q_i, p_i) + (0, \Delta_j^{(i)})},$$

with (q_i, p_i) atoms of a Cox process on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}$ with intensity measure $Z(du) \times Ce^{-\sqrt{2}x} dx$, where $Z(du)$ is some random measure and $\Delta_j^{(i)}$ as before.

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exists almost surely. Moreover, $0 \leq Z(u) \leq Z$ and $Z(u)$ is almost surely non-atomic.

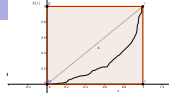
Related Results

- The 2-dim DGFF (Biskup and Louidor '16)

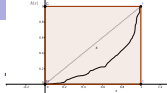
$$\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \delta_{(i/n, j/n), X_{(i,j)} - m_n} \Rightarrow \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \delta_{x_i, p_i + \Delta_j^{(i)}},$$

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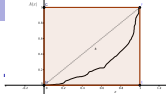
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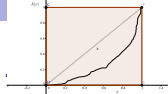
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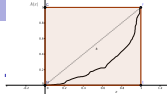


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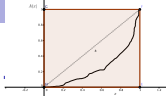


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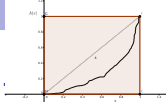
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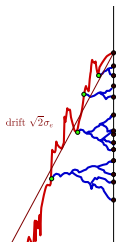


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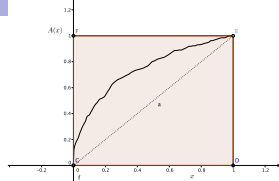
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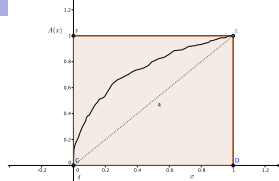
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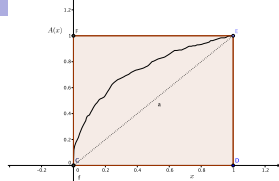


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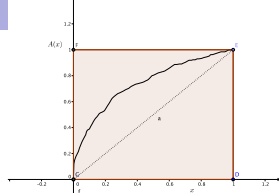
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