

## New applications of rearrangement inequalities. (Perla S.)

Theorem: (Peres-S)

Let  $(A_s)$  be open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

Let  $(\xi(s))$  be BM in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Then  $\forall t$ ,

$$\mathbb{E} \text{vol} \bigcup_{s \leq t} (\xi(s) + A_s) \geq \mathbb{E} \text{vol} \bigcup_{s \leq t} (\xi(s) + B(0, r))$$

where  $B(0, r)$  is the Euclidean ball with the same volume as  $A_s$ .

Motivation:  $\Pi = \{X_i\}$  is a PPP in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  w/intensity  $\lambda$

Move the points according to BM: at time  $t$ ,  
the position of the particles is  $\{X_i + \xi_i(t)\}$

$$T_{\text{det}} = \inf \{t \geq 0 : \exists i, X_i + \xi_i(t) \in B(0, r)\}$$

"detection time"

$$T_{\text{det}}^f = \inf \{t \geq 0 : \exists i, X_i + \xi_i(t) \in B(f(t), r)\}.$$

How is this related to the Brownian sausage?

Classical result:  $P(T_{\text{det}}^f > t) = \exp(-\lambda \mathbb{E} \text{vol} \bigcup_{s \leq t} (\xi(s) + B(f(s), r)))$

Proof:  $\Phi = \{X_i \in \Pi : \exists s \leq t, X_i + \xi_i(s) \in B(f(s), r)\}$   
= thinned PPP w/intensity

$$\Lambda(x) = \lambda \mathbb{P}(x \in \bigcup_{s \leq t} B(\xi(s) + f(s), r))$$

$$P(T_{\text{det}}^f > t) = P(\Phi(\mathbb{R}^d) = 0) = \exp \int -\Lambda(x) dx.$$

Theorem (Peres-Sinclair-Stauffer-S.)

$d=1$ ,  $f$  icts.

$$\forall t \quad \mathbb{E} \text{vol} \bigcup_{s \leq t} B(\gamma(s) + f(s), r)$$

$$\geq \mathbb{E} \text{vol} \bigcup_{s \leq t} B(\gamma(s) + r),$$

(i.e. best strategy to avoid detection is to stay still).

In higher dimensions, the bound was worse:

$$d=2 \text{ gives } \text{LHS} \geq (1-o(1)) \cdot \text{RHS}$$

$$d \geq 3 \text{ gives } \text{LHS} \geq c(d) \cdot \text{RHS}.$$

Analogy:

Analysis of escape times via discretization:

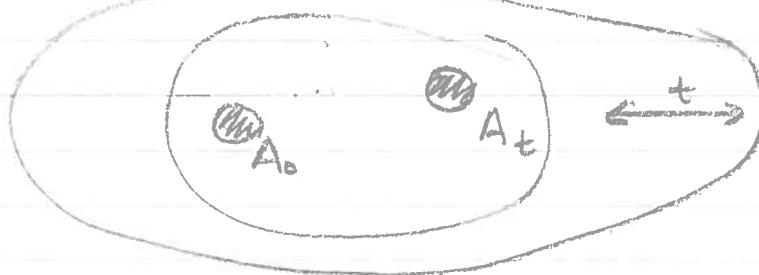
$$P(T_D > t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\gamma\left(\frac{i}{n}\right) \in D \text{ for } i=0, \dots, n\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \dots \int \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \pi(x_i, \dots, x_n) \mathbf{1}_{\{x_i \in D\}} dx_n$$

Same idea for detection problem:

$$P(T_{\text{det}}^f > t) = P(\forall s > 0 \dots t, \exists i \text{ s.t. } X_i + \gamma(s) \in B(f(s), r)) \\ = (*)$$

$$\text{Let } A_s = B(f(s), r)$$



Points outside the big ball will not be detected by time  $t$ .

$$(*) = \mathbb{E} \left( \mathbb{P} (\forall s=0, \dots, t, \xi(s) \in A_s)^N \right)$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^t \int \pi p(x_0, \dots, x_n) \mathbb{I}(x_i \in A_i^c) dx_n$$

Problem: on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , the complement of a ball is not a ball.

Solution: lift to the sphere.

Then apply the previous (ie. last lecture) re-arrangement inequalities to conclude that the maximizing sets are balls. Project down to Euclidean space by throwing away one coordinate, and then take the radius of the sphere to  $\infty$ .

Area of BM with drift: see slides.