

# A Non-local non-linear convection-diffusion problem on metric trees

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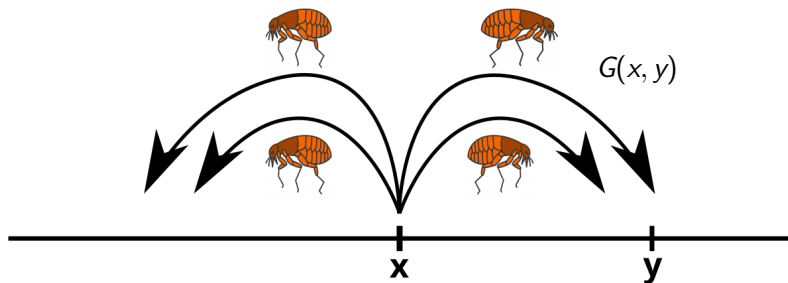
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# Fleas jumping on a mattress

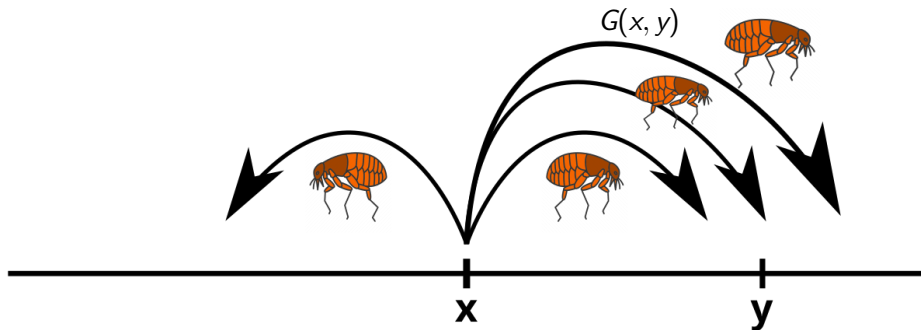


Assuming the mattress is  $\mathbb{R}$ .



$G(x, y)$  accounts for the probability that the fleas will jump from  $x$  to  $y$ .

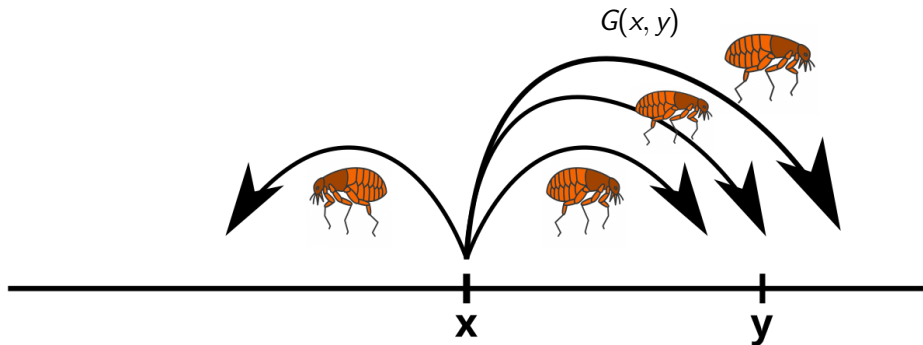
If  $G(x, y) = J(d(x, y)) \Rightarrow$  equal movement in every direction  
 $\Rightarrow$  diffusion effect



If, for example,  $G(x, y) > G(y, x)$  for  $x < y$ , we obtain a drift to the right  
 $\Rightarrow$  transport behaviour

# How many fleas run away from $x$ ?

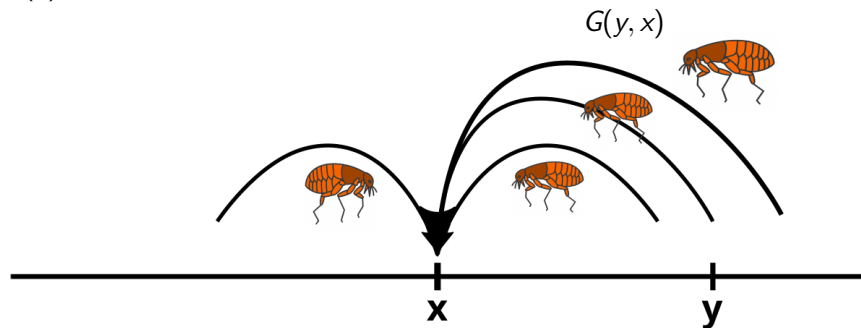
$u(x)$  = number of fleas at point  $x$ .



$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} G(x, y) u(x) dy \quad \text{fleas running away from } x$$

# How many fleas are coming to $x$ ?

$u(y)$  = number of fleas at point  $y$ .



$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} G(y, x) u(y) dy \quad \text{fleas coming in } x$$

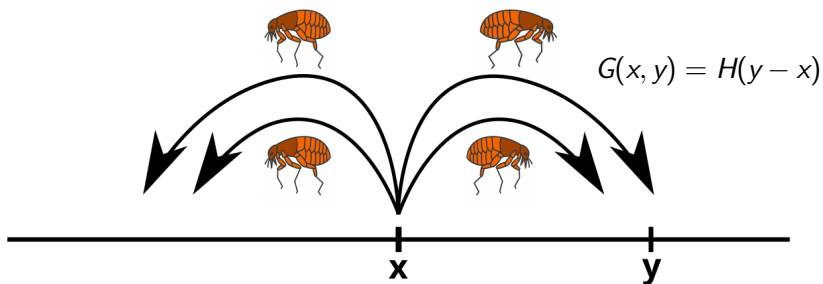
# The evolution equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} G(y, x) u(t, y) dy - \int_{\mathbb{R}} G(x, y) u(t, x) dy, & x \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0 \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x), & x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (\text{NLTR})$$

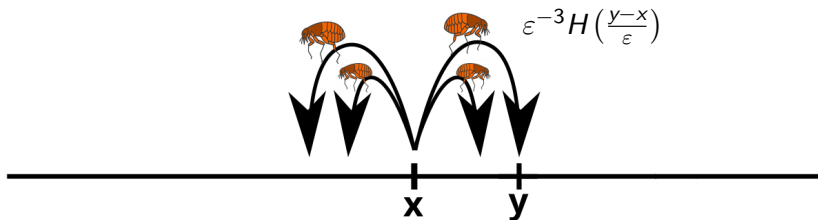




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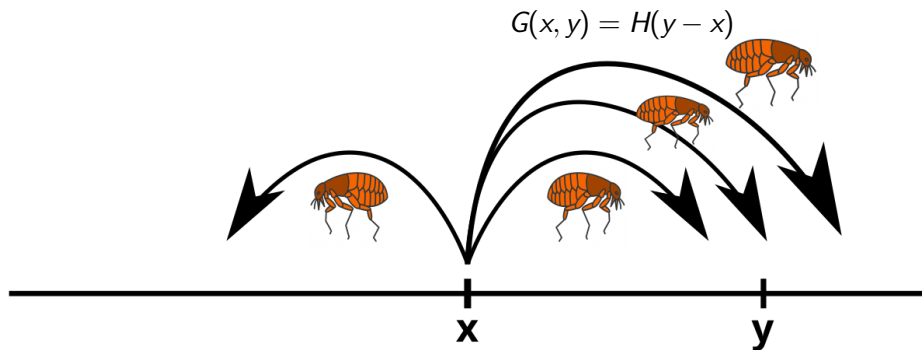


In the limit: local diffusion behaviour.

$$\partial_t u(t, x) = A \partial_{xx} u(t, x)$$

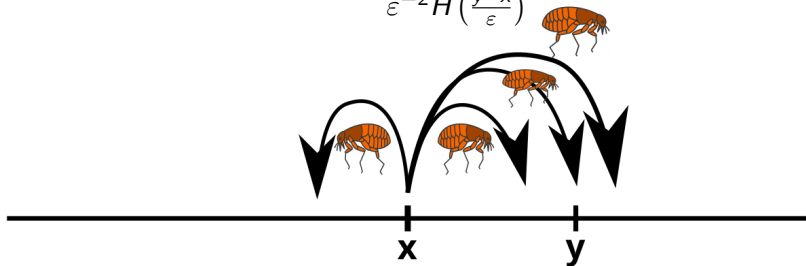
$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty H(x) \cdot x^2 dx$$

# Shrinking the movement – transport

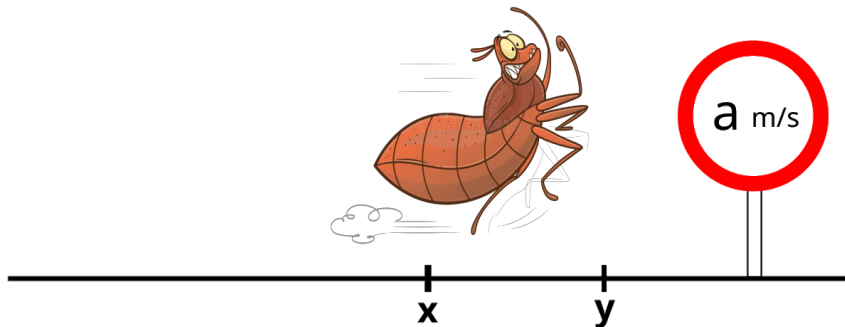


# Shrinking the movement – transport

$$\varepsilon^{-2} H\left(\frac{y-x}{\varepsilon}\right)$$



# The transport equation



In the limit: drift effect = transport equation:

$$\partial_t u(t, x) = -a \cdot \partial_x u(t, x)$$

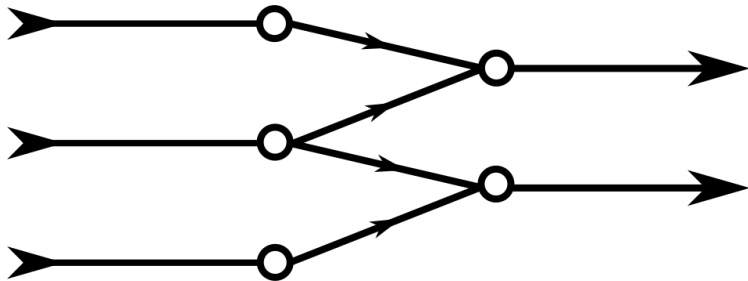
$$a = \int_{\mathbb{R}} H(x) \cdot x \, dx$$



# The graph

$\Gamma = (V, E)$  connected oriented tree.

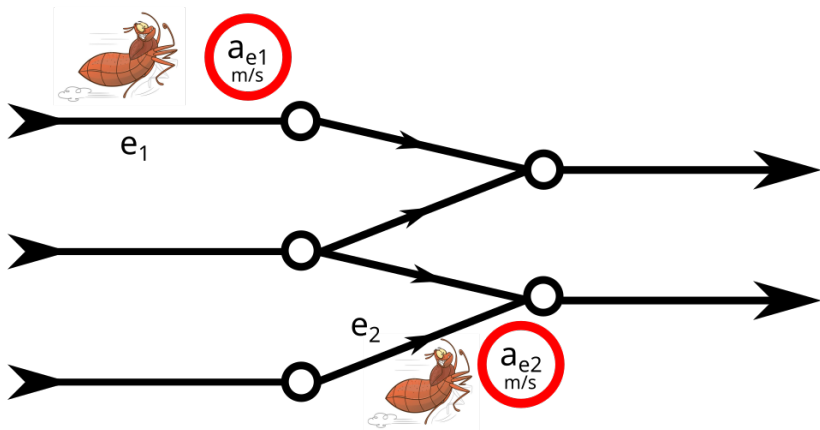
The infinite edges are either inputs or outputs – the only edges which are connected to single vertices.



Every infinite edge is parametrised  $(-\infty, 0]$  or  $[N + 1, \infty)$ .

Every finite edge is parametrised as  $[i, i + 1]$ , with  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, N\}$ .

# Fleas running on the edges



For every  $e \in E$ , we associate  $a_e > 0$  the speed of the fleas on that edge.

# A condition regarding the speeds

The network handles the flow perfectly

$$\sum_{e \in E^F(v)} a_e = \sum_{e \in E^I(v)} a_e \quad (\text{Sa})$$

The sum of incoming speeds = The sum of outgoing speeds



# Local transport equation on tree

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \partial_t u_e(t, x) = -a_e u_e(t, x), & x \in e \subset \Gamma, t \geq 0 \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x), & x \in \Gamma \\ \sum_{e \in E_v} \nu(v, e) \cdot a_e \cdot u_e(v) = 0, & \forall v \in V \\ u_{e_1}(v) = u_{e_2}(v), & \forall v \in V, \quad \forall e_1, e_2 \in E'_v \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{LT})$$

- $\nu(v, e) = \pm 1$  for edges  $e$  that enter/exit the vertex  $v$

The flow of flees is conserved in every vertex

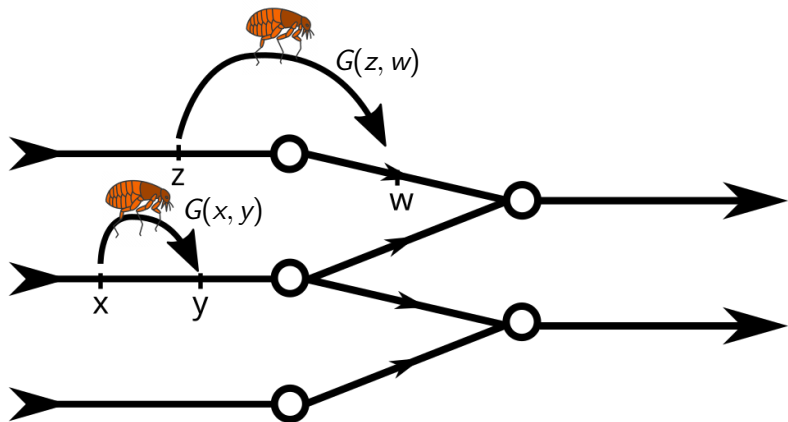
- $E'_v :=$  edges that emerge from the vertex  $v$ .

The flees are evenly distributed when exiting a vertex

The problem (LT) is well-posed



# Can this be achieved as a limit of non-local eq.?



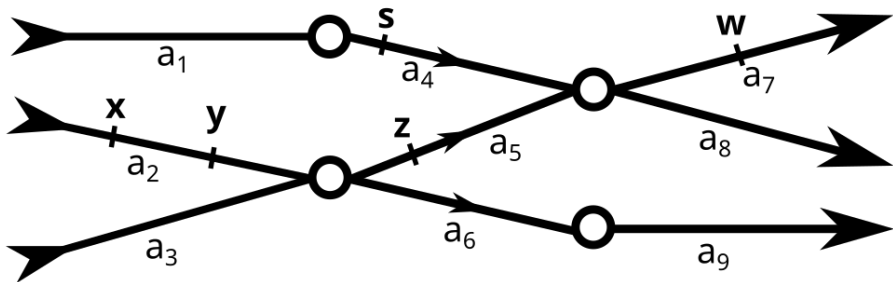
$G(x, y)$  accounts for the probability for fleas to jump from  $x$  to  $y$ .



# Constructing such a $G$

$H: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  integrable.

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} H(x) \cdot x \, dx = 1$$

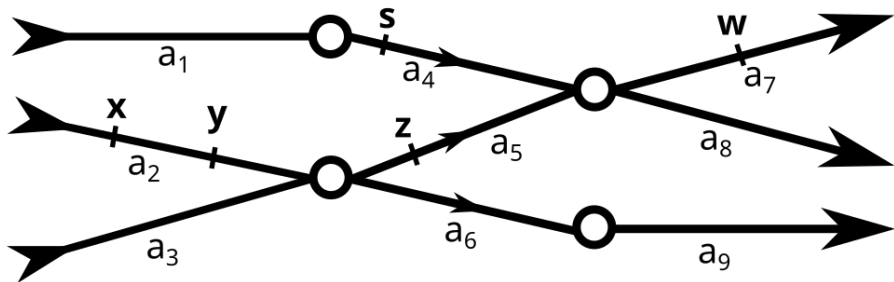


$$G(x, y) = a_2 H(y - x)$$

$$G(x, z) = a_2 \cdot \frac{a_5}{a_5 + a_6} H(z - x)$$

$$G(x, w) = a_2 \cdot \frac{a_5}{a_5 + a_6} \cdot \frac{a_7}{a_7 + a_8} H(w - x)$$

$$G(x, s) = 0$$



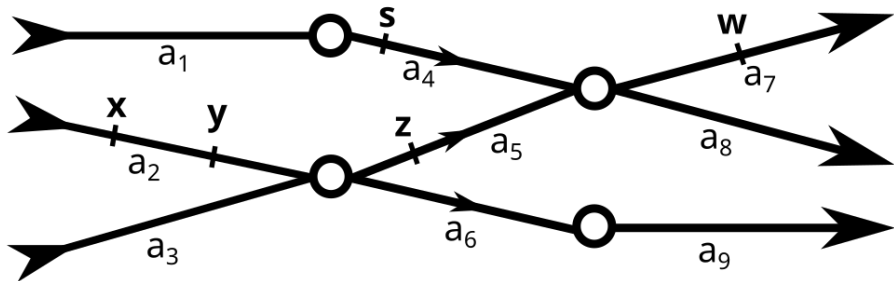
$$G(y, x) = a_2 H(x - y)$$

$$G(z, x) = a_2 \cdot \frac{a_5}{a_5 + a_6} H(x - z)$$

$$G(w, x) = a_2 \cdot \frac{a_5}{a_5 + a_6} \cdot \frac{a_7}{a_7 + a_8} H(x - w)$$

$$G(s, x) = 0$$

## Shrinking the kernel $G$



$$G_\varepsilon(y, x) = a_2 \cdot \varepsilon^{-2} H\left(\frac{x-y}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

$$G_\varepsilon(z, x) = a_2 \cdot \frac{a_5}{a_5 + a_6} \varepsilon^{-2} H\left(\frac{x - z}{\varepsilon}\right)$$



# Non-local transport problem

## Shrunk non-local transport problem on $\Gamma$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u^\varepsilon(t, x) = \left[ \int_{\Gamma} G_\varepsilon(y, x) u^\varepsilon(t, y) dx - \int_{\Gamma} G_\varepsilon(x, y) u^\varepsilon(t, x) dy \right], & t \geq 0, x \in \Gamma \\ u^\varepsilon(0, x) = u_0(x), & x \in \Gamma \end{cases} \quad (\text{NLT}_\varepsilon)$$

The problem is well-posed in  $L^2$ , assuming the integrability of  $H$ .



# Convergence to the local problem – transport equation

## Theorem

Assume that  $\text{supp}(H) \in [0, \infty)$  (this gives the direction of the movement left  $\rightarrow$  right)

Let  $u_0 \in H^1(\Gamma)$  satisfy the coupling conditions imposed for the local problem:

$$\sum_{e \in E_v} \nu(v, e) \cdot a_e \cdot u_{0,e}(v) = 0, \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$u_{0,e_1}(v) = u_{0,e_2}(v), \quad \forall v \in V, \quad \forall e_1, e_2 \in E'_v$$

Then, the sequence  $(u^\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon > 0}$  of solutions of  $(\text{NLT}_\varepsilon)$  converges weakly in every  $L^2([0, T] \times \Gamma)$ ,  $T > 0$  to the solution  $u$  of the local transport problem (LT).





# Idea of proof

## Lemma

Let  $H \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\varphi \in H^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Assume that:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} H(x) \cdot x \, dx < \infty$$

Then, for every  $T > 0$ ,

$$\int_0^T \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \varepsilon^{-2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H\left(\frac{y-x}{\varepsilon}\right) |\varphi(t, y) - \varphi(t, x) - (y-x) \cdot \partial_x \varphi(t, x)| \, dy \right)^2 dx dt$$

converges to 0 as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .



# The convection-diffusion problem

## Shrunk non-local convection-diffusion problem on $\Gamma$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t u^\varepsilon(t, x) = \varepsilon^{-3} \int_{\Gamma} J\left(\frac{d(x, y)}{\varepsilon}\right) (u^\varepsilon(t, y) - u^\varepsilon(t, x)) dy \\ \quad + \int_{\Gamma} G_\varepsilon(y, x) f(u^\varepsilon(t, y)) dy - \int_{\Gamma} G_\varepsilon(x, y) f(u^\varepsilon(t, x)) dy, \quad x \in \Gamma, t \geq 0 \\ u^\varepsilon(0, x) = u_0(x), \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} x \in \Gamma \\ (\text{NLCD}_\varepsilon) \end{array}$$

$J$  continuous in 0,  $J(0) \neq 0$ ,

$$\int_0^\infty J(r) \cdot r^2 dr < \infty$$

$$f(r) = |r|^{m-1} r$$



Local convection-diffusion on  $\Gamma$ 

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) = A \partial_{xx} u(t, x) - a_e \partial_x (f(u(t, x))), & x \in e \subset \Gamma, t \geq 0 \\ u_{e_1}(t, v) = u_{e_2}(t, v), & v \in V, \quad e_1, e_2 \in E_V \\ u(0, x) = u_0, & x \in \Gamma \end{cases} \quad (\text{LCD})$$

The weak formulation of the problem above:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \{u \in H^1(\Gamma) : u_{e_1}(v) = u_{e_2}(v), v \in V, e_1, e_2 \in E_V\} \\ \begin{cases} u \in L^2([0, T], X) \cap C([0, T], L^2(\Gamma)), u_t \in L^2([0, T], X') \\ \langle u_t(t), \psi \rangle_{X', X} + A \cdot (u_x(t), \psi)_{L^2(\Gamma)} - (a(\cdot) f(u(t)), \psi)_{L^2(\Gamma)} = 0, \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{a.e. } t \in [0, T], \quad \forall \psi \in X \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{LCDW})$$

Existence and uniqueness – similar to [Cazacu et al., 2022].

# Convergence non-local $\rightarrow$ local in the conv.-diff. setting

## Theorem

*Let  $u_0 \in L^1(\Gamma) \cap L^\infty(\Gamma)$ . The sequence  $(u^\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon>0}$  of solutions of (NLCD $_\varepsilon$ ) converge weakly in every  $L^2([0, T] \times \Gamma)$  to the unique weak solution of the local convection-diffusion problem (i.e. (LCDW)), with:*

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty J(r) \cdot r^2 dr$$

The proof is inspired by the paper [Ignat et al., 2020].

# A compactness result used in the proof

Taken from [Ignat et al., 2015].

## Theorem

$(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}$  open, possibly unbounded,  $(u^\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon>0}$  bounded in  $L^2([0, T] \times (a, b))$

$$\liminf_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon^{-3} \int_0^T \int_a^b \int_a^b J\left(\frac{d(x, y)}{\varepsilon}\right) |u^\varepsilon(y) - u^\varepsilon(x)|^2 dx dy dt < \infty \quad (1)$$

Then

① If  $u^\varepsilon \rightharpoonup u$  in  $L^2([0, T] \times (a, b))$ , then:

$$u \in L^2([0, T], H^1(a, b));$$

② If  $D \subseteq (a, b)$  open, bounded and

$$\|\partial_t u^\varepsilon\|_{L^2([0, T], H^{-1}(D))} \text{ uniformly bounded in } \varepsilon > 0$$

then  $(u^\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon>0}$  converges strongly in  $L^2([0, T] \times D)$  on a subsequence.

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