

Multiple-fragmentation stochastic processes driven by a spatial flow

[Processus de fragmentation multiple conduit
par un courant spatial]

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The stochastic model for the one dimensional fragmentation

- The model describes the fragmentation phenomenon for an infinite particles system.
- Each particle is characterized by its size and, at some random times, it can split into two particles by conserving the total mass.
- If $c(t, x)$ the concentration of particles of size x at time t in the system then the evolution in time of $c(t, x)$ is governed by the **fragmentation equation**:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} c(t, x) = \int_x^1 F(x, y-x) c(t, y) dy - \frac{1}{2} c(t, x) \int_0^x F(y, x-y) dy, \\ \text{for all } t \geq 0 \text{ and } x \in [0, 1], \\ c(0, x) = c_0(x) \text{ for all } x \in [0, 1]. \end{array} \right.$$

- The **fragmentation kernel** $F : [0, 1]^2 \longrightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}_+$ is a symmetric function, $F(x, y)$ represents the rate of fragmentation of a particle of size $x + y$ into two particles of size x and y .
- In the first line of the fragmentation equation, the first term on the right hand side is counting the creation of particles of size x , due to the fragmentation of particles of larger size, say y , with $y > x$, into two parts x and $y - x$.
- The second term counts for the particles of size x which disappears after splitting into two smaller particles of size y and $x - y$, for $y < x$.

- We emphasize a pure jump Markov process on \mathbb{R}_+ , denoted by $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ whose law is the solution, in some sense, to the fragmentation equation. This process will describe the evolution of the size of a typical particle in the system.
- We study fragmentation equations for which the total mass will be preserved; for all $t \geq 0$

$$\int_0^1 xc(t, x)dx = \int_0^1 xc_0(x)dx$$

and from normalization reason $\int_0^1 xc_0(x)dx = 1$, thus if we denote by $p(t, x) = xc(t, x)$; $x \in [0, 1]$, then $p(t, x)dx$ is a probability measure for each t .

Stochastic approach of the coagulation/fragmentation models

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Weak solution of the fragmentation equation

A family $(Q_t)_{t \geq 0}$ of probability measures on $[0, 1]$ is **solution in the weak sense** of the fragmentation equation if:

$$\langle Q_t, \phi \rangle = \langle Q_0, \phi \rangle + \int_0^t \langle Q_s, \mathcal{F}\phi \rangle ds, \quad \phi \in \mathcal{C}^1([0, 1]), t \geq 0, \quad (0.1)$$

where $\langle Q_t, \phi \rangle = \int_0^1 \phi(y) Q_t(dy)$ and for any $x \in [0, 1]$

$$\mathcal{F}\phi(x) = \int_0^x [\phi(x-y) - \phi(x)] \frac{x-y}{x} F(y, x-y) dy.$$

- We describe the process having the distribution $(Q_t)_{t \geq 0}$.

Weak solution of the stochastic differential equation of fragmentation (SDEF)

Let Q_0 be a probability measure on $[0, 1]$.

X is a **weak solution of the stochastic differential equation of fragmentation** (abbreviated (SDEF)) if:

- $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is an adapted process on $(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, (\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \geq 0}, \mathbb{P})$ whose paths belong to $\mathbb{D}([0, +\infty), [0, 1])$.
- $\mathcal{L}(X_0) = Q_0$.

- There exists a Poisson measure $N(ds, dy, du)$ adapted to $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ on $[0, +\infty) \times [0, 1) \times [0, 1)$ respectively with intensity measure $ds dy du$ such that the following **stochastic differential equation** holds:

$$X_t = X_0 - \int_0^t \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y \mathbb{1}_{\{y \in (0, X_{s-})\}} \mathbb{1}_{\{u \leq \frac{X_{s-} - y}{X_{s-}} F(y, X_{s-} - y)\}} N(ds, dy, du)$$

- The process X can be seen as the size of a sort of typical particle. This means that at some random instants the typical particle breaks into two smaller particles: we thus subtract y from X for some $y \in (0, X_{s-})$ at rate $F(y, X_{s-} - y) \frac{X_{s-} - y}{X_{s-}}$.
- *There exists a weak solution $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ of the (SDEF); [Fournier, Giet, 2003].*

Let $Q_t := \mathcal{L}(X_t)$, $t \geq 0$. Then the family $\{Q_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ is a solution in the weak sense of the fragmentation equation.

- If Q_t , $t \geq 0$, has a density with respect to the Lebesgue measure on $[0, 1]$ and if we set $c(t, x) := \frac{dQ_t}{dx}$, then $c(t, x)$ is a solution of the fragmentation equation.

Multiple-fragmentation: Introduction

A fragmentation model closer to the real life should also take into account the spatial position and movement of the fragments.

For coagulation of particles with position and spatial diffusion see [Deaconu, Fournier, *Stochastic Proc. Appl.*, 2002].

Aim: To study stochastic multiple-fragmentation processes driven by a spatial flow.

- The final goal is actually to make a numerical simulation of the time evolution of a system of particles located on an Euclidean surface.
- We take into account not only the fragmentation of the mass of a particle, but also of the kinetic energy and of the velocity.
- There is a loss of energy which occurs.

Multiple-fragmentation processes and their SDEs

We consider n first order integral operators \mathcal{F}^k , $k = \overline{1, n}$,
 $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $\mathcal{F}^k : C_l(E_k) \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_b(E_k)$,

$$\mathcal{F}^k f(x) = \int_{E_k} [f(z) - f(x)] N_x^k(dz), \quad f \in C_l(E_k), x \in E_k,$$

where N^k is a kernel on $E_k := [0, l_k]$, $l_k \in \mathbb{R}^*$, with

$$\sup_x \int_{E_k} |x - z| N_x^k(dz) < \infty.$$

In our application to fragmentation processes the kernels N^k will be either of the form

$$N_x^k(dz) = \frac{z}{x} F^k(x - z, z) 1_{(0, x)}(z) dz,$$

where F^k are continuous fragmentation kernels or bounded kernels on E_k of the form

$$N_x^k = \lambda_k (\beta_k x \delta_{\beta_k x} + (1 - \beta_k) x \delta_{(1 - \beta_k)x}),$$

where $\beta_k \in (0, 1)$ is a rupture factor and λ_k is a constant which depends on β_k , $\lambda_k := \frac{\theta_k}{4} (\beta_k^2 + (1 - \beta_k)^2)$, with $0 < \theta_k \leq 1$.

The factor θ_k is a "rate of loss of fragmentation sizes".

n -dimensional fragmentation process

- Assume that each \mathcal{F}^k , $1 \leq k \leq n$, is the generator of a right Markov process $X^k = (X_t^k)_{t \geq 0}$ with state space E_k .
 X_k is actually a one-dimensional fragmentation process.

- We consider the n -dimensional fragmentation process $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ with state space $E := \prod_{k=1}^n E_k$, defined as $X_t := (X_t^1, \dots, X_t^n)$.

It is also a right Markov process and its generator is the operator $\mathcal{F} : C_l(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_b(E)$, defined as

$$\mathcal{F}g(x) = \int_E [g(z) - g(x)] N_x(dz), \quad g \in C_l(E), x \in E,$$

where N is the kernel on E defined by

$$Ng(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{E_k} g(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, z, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n) N_{x_k}^k(dz).$$

Let further $n_c \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq n_c \leq n$, it will represent the number of continuous fragmentation kernels we shall take into account.

Assume that each \mathcal{F}^k is given by a continuous fragmentation kernel F^k on E_k if $1 \leq k \leq n_c$ and by a bounded discontinuous kernel N^k if $n_c < k \leq n$.

Stochastic differential equation of n -dimensional fragmentation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} X_t^k = X_0^k - \int_0^t \int_0^{l_k} \int_0^1 y_k \mathbf{1}_{[0 < y_k < X_{s-}^k]} \mathbf{1}_{[u \leq \frac{X_{s-}^k - y_k}{X_{s-}^k} F^k(y_k, X_{s-}^k - y_k)]} p\left(\sum_{i=1}^n ds dy_i du\right), & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq n_c, \\ \\ X_t^k = X_0^k - \int_0^t \int_0^{l_k} \left((1 - \beta) X_{s-}^k \mathbf{1}_{[\frac{y_k}{\beta \lambda_0} < X_{s-}^k \leq 1]} + \beta X_{s-}^k \mathbf{1}_{[\frac{y_k}{\lambda_0} < X_{s-}^k \leq \frac{y_k}{\beta \lambda_0}]} \right) p\left(\sum_{i=1}^n ds dy_i\right) & \text{if } n_c < k \leq n, \end{array} \right.$$

where $p(\sum_{i=1}^{n_c} ds dy_i du)$ is a Poisson measure with intensity $q = \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} ds dy_i du$.

Proposition

The stochastic differential equation of n -dimensional fragmentation with the initial distribution δ_x , $x \in E$, has a weak solution which is equal in distribution with the n -dimensional fragmentation process (X, \mathbb{P}^x) .

Multiple-fragmentation driven by a spatial Markov process

Let F be a Lusin topological space and consider a right Markov process $Y = (Y_t, \Omega', \mathcal{F}', \mathcal{F}'_t, \mathbb{P}^Z)$ with state space F .

Let $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be the transition function of the process Y ,
 $T_t f(z) = \mathbb{E}^Z(f(Y_t); t < \zeta), t \geq 0, z \in F$.

Let $d : F \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a (finely) continuous function and consider the continuous additive functional $A^d = (A_t^d)_{t \geq 0}$ induced by d : $A_t^d = \int_0^t d(Y_s) ds, t \geq 0$.

Assume that $0 < A_t^d(\omega) < \infty$ for all $\omega \in \Omega'$ and $t > 0$. Consider the *inverse* $(\tau_t^d)_{t \geq 0}$ of A^d , $(\tau_t^d)(\omega) := \inf\{s > 0 : A_s^d(\omega) > t\}$.

Let $Y^d = (Y_t^d, \Omega', \mathbb{P}^x)$ be the Markov process obtained from Y by time change with the inverse of A^d ,

$$Y_t^d = Y_{\tau_t^d}, t \geq 0$$

and let $(L^d, \mathcal{D}(L^d))$ be the generator of Y^d , $L^d = \frac{1}{d}L$.

Let $X = (X_t, \Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P}^x)$ be a right Markov process with state space E , a Lusin topological space.

Let $c : E \longrightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a finely continuous function $c \geq \alpha > 0$. Consider $X^c = (X_t^c, \Omega, \mathbb{P}^x)$ the right Markov process with state space E , obtained from X by time change with the inverse τ_t^c , $t \geq 0$, of the additive functional $A^c = (A_t^c)_{t \geq 0}$ induced by c :

$$A_t^c = \int_0^t c(X_s) ds, \quad \tau_t^c := \inf\{s \geq 0 : A_s^c > t\}, \quad X_t^c := X_{\tau_t^c}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Let further $(D, \mathcal{D}(D))$ be the weak generator of X and $(S_t)_{t \geq 0}$ (resp. $(S_t^c)_{t \geq 0}$) the transition function on E of the process X (resp. of the process X^c).

If $\varphi : F \times E \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we write $\varphi_x(z) := \varphi(z, x) =_z \varphi(x)$ for all $(z, x) \in F \times E$.

Proposition. Let $Z' = (Z'_t, \Omega' \times \Omega, \mathbb{P}^Z \times \mathbb{P}^X)$ be the cartesian product of the processes Y^d and X^c , $Z'_t = (Y_t^d, X_t^c)$.

Let further $a(z, x) := \frac{1}{d(z)c(x)}$ and $Z = (Z_t, \Omega' \times \Omega, \mathbb{P}^Z \times \mathbb{P}^X)$ be the right Markov process obtained from Z' by time change with the continuous additive functional $A^a = (A_t^a)_{t \geq 0}$ of Z' , induced by a : $A_t^a = \int_0^t \frac{1}{c(X_s^c)d(Y_s^d)} ds, t \geq 0$.

Assume that c and d are bounded functions and let $(\bar{N}, \mathcal{D}(\bar{N}))$ be the generator of Z .

Let $\mathcal{D}_c(L)$ (resp. $\mathcal{D}_c(D)$) be the space of those elements from $\mathcal{D}(L)$ (resp. $\mathcal{D}(D)$) which are finely continuous on F (resp. on E).

Then the following assertions hold.

(i) $\mathcal{D}_c(L) \times \mathcal{D}_c(D)$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{D}_c(\bar{N})$ and for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_c(L) \times \mathcal{D}_c(D)$

$$\bar{N}\varphi(z, x) = c(x)L\varphi_x(z) + d(z)D_z\varphi(x) \quad \text{for all } (z, x) \in F \times E.$$

(ii) For every $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}_c(L) \times \mathcal{D}_c(D)$ the process

$$\left(\varphi(Z_t) - \int_0^t [c(X_u'')L\varphi_{X_u''}(Y_u'') + d(Y_u'')D_{(Y_u'', X_u'')}\varphi(X_u'')]du \right)_{t \geq 0}$$

is an $(\mathcal{F}'_t \times \mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ -martingale under $\mathbb{P}^z \times \mathbb{P}^x$ for all $(z, x) \in F \times E$, where $Z_t = (Y_t'', X_t'') \in F \times E$.

Random fragmentation and flow of particles on a surface

Geometrical description of the surface. We describe the surface \mathcal{S}_b , given through a general parametric representation by $\mathbf{r}_b(x_1, x_2) = B_1(x)\mathbf{c}_1 + B_2(x)\mathbf{c}_2 + B_3(x)\mathbf{c}_3$, where $x = (x_1, x_2)$ are the parametric coordinates belonging to a two dimensional domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\{\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3\}$ which is the cartesian basis with the vertical in the \mathbf{c}_3 direction. Let $\Pi_b = \Pi_b(x)$ be the two dimensional vectorial space tangent to the bottom surface \mathcal{S}_b (i.e., $\Pi_b(x) := \text{Sp}\{\mathbf{b}_1(x), \mathbf{b}_2(x)\}$). We denote by $\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2$ the covariant physical basis and by β_3 the unit normal vector on \mathcal{S}_b and by \mathbf{k} the curvature tensor. We denote by

$$\mathbf{b}_1(x) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_1}(x), \quad \mathbf{b}_2(x) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_2}(x)$$

the covariant basic vectors and by

$$g_{11} = |\mathbf{b}_1|^2, g_{22} = |\mathbf{b}_2|^2, g_{12} = \mathbf{b}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_2,$$

the covariant fundamental magnitudes of the first order.

We denote by g the element of area in the tangent plane

$$g(x) = \sqrt{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2}.$$

We denote also by β_1, β_2 the covariant physical basis and by β_3 the unit normal vector on S_b :

$$\beta_1 = \frac{1}{L_1} \mathbf{b}_1, \quad \beta_2 = \frac{1}{L_2} \mathbf{b}_2, \quad \beta_3 = \frac{\mathbf{b}_1 \wedge \mathbf{b}_2}{g},$$

where L_1, L_2 are the Lamé coefficients defined as

$$L_1(x) = \sqrt{g_{11}}, \quad L_2(x) = \sqrt{g_{22}}.$$

To introduce the contra-variant tangent basis, denoted by $\mathbf{b}^1, \mathbf{b}^2$, and the contra-variant fundamental magnitudes of the first order

$$g^{11} = |\mathbf{b}^1|^2 = \frac{g_{22}}{g^2}, \quad g^{22} = |\mathbf{b}^2|^2 = \frac{g_{11}}{g^2}, \quad g^{12} = \mathbf{b}^1 \cdot \mathbf{b}^2 = -\frac{g_{12}}{g^2}.$$

The fundamental magnitudes of the second order are given by

$$k_{11} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_1^2} \cdot \beta_3, \quad k_{22} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_2^2} \cdot \beta_3, \quad k_{12} = k_{21} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \cdot \beta_3.$$

defining the curvature tensor

$\mathbf{k} := k_{ij} \mathbf{b}^i \otimes \mathbf{b}^j = k_j^i \mathbf{b}_i \otimes \mathbf{b}^j = k^{ij} \mathbf{b}_i \otimes \mathbf{b}_j$, with summation on i and j from 1 to 2, while the Christoffel symbols are

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_b}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \cdot \mathbf{b}^k.$$

Motion equations between two fragmentation moments

We shall consider a motion of N particles on the surface \mathcal{S}_b during the time interval $[t_0, t_1]$.

During this time interval the number of particles N will be constant.

We denote by $\mathbf{r}^p(t) = \mathbf{r}_b(x^p(t))$, $x^p(t) = (x_1^p(t), x_2^p(t))$ the position of each particle p at $t \in [t_0, t_1]$.

We can compute the velocity and the acceleration of each particle to be:

$$\mathbf{v}^p = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r}^p = \dot{x}_1^p \mathbf{b}_1(x^p) + \dot{x}_2^p \mathbf{b}_2(x^p),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}^p = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{v}^p = & \ddot{x}_1^p \mathbf{b}_1(x^p) + \dot{x}_1 \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}_1(x^p)}{\partial x_1} \dot{x}_1 + \dot{x}_1 \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}_1(x^p)}{\partial x_2} \dot{x}_2 + \ddot{x}_2 \mathbf{b}_2(x^p) + \\ & \dot{x}_2 \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}_2(x^p)}{\partial x_1} \dot{x}_1 + \dot{x}_2 \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}_2(x^p)}{\partial x_2} \dot{x}_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{F}^p = \mathbf{F}^p(\mathbf{r}^1, \dots, \mathbf{r}^N, \mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^N)$ be the force acting on the particle p .

The movement of a particle is described by the Newton evolution equation

$$m^p \mathbf{a}^p = \mathbf{F}^p(\mathbf{r}^1, \dots, \mathbf{r}^N, \mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^N) + M^p(t) \beta_3, \quad \text{for all } p = 1, \dots, N, \quad (0.2)$$

where M^p is the reaction force of the surface \mathcal{S}_b .

Multiplying now by \mathbf{b}^1 , respectively \mathbf{b}^2 , we obtain the system:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \ddot{x}_1^p + \Gamma_{11}^1(\dot{x}_1^p)^2 + \Gamma_{22}^1(\dot{x}_2^p)^2 + \dot{x}_1^p \dot{x}_2^p (\Gamma_{21}^1 + \Gamma_{12}^1) = \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathbf{F}^p(\mathbf{r}^1, \dots, \mathbf{r}^N, \mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^N) \cdot \mathbf{b}^1(x^p) \\ \\ \ddot{x}_2^p + \Gamma_{11}^2(\dot{x}_1^p)^2 + \Gamma_{22}^2(\dot{x}_2^p)^2 + \dot{x}_1^p \dot{x}_2^p (\Gamma_{21}^2 + \Gamma_{12}^2) = \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathbf{F}^p(\mathbf{r}^1, \dots, \mathbf{r}^N, \mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^N) \cdot \mathbf{b}^2(x^p) \end{array} \right. \quad (0.3)$$

for all $p = 1, \dots, N$.

We have to complete the above second order nonlinear system equations with the initial conditions

$$\mathbf{r}^p(t_{0+}) = \mathbf{r}_0^p \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v}^p(t_{0+}) = \mathbf{v}_0^p, \quad \text{for all} \quad p = 1, \dots, N. \quad (0.4)$$

Random binary fragmentation

Our aim is to introduce a random binary fragmentation process for N particles characterized by their mass m^1, \dots, m^N , their positions $\mathbf{r}^1, \dots, \mathbf{r}^N$, and their velocities $\mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^N$.

Let define t_1 the first random fragmentation time greater then t_0 , having a Poisson distribution. The position $\mathbf{r}_1(t_1 -)$ and the velocity $\mathbf{v}_1(t_1 -)$ are computed solving the nonlinear system (0.3), described in the previous section. Let us describe what we mean by a fragmentation process. A fragmentation process \mathcal{F}^p of a particle p is the function which associates at each $(m^p, \mathbf{r}^p, \mathbf{v}^p)$ the couple $[(m_1^p, \mathbf{r}_1^p, \mathbf{v}_1^p), (m_2^p, \mathbf{r}_2^p, \mathbf{v}_2^p)]$,

$$\mathcal{F}^p(m^p, \mathbf{r}^p, \mathbf{v}^p) = [(m_1^p, \mathbf{r}_1^p, \mathbf{v}_1^p), (m_2^p, \mathbf{r}_2^p, \mathbf{v}_2^p)],$$

which represents the masses, the positions, and the velocities of the resulting two particles at $t = t_1 +$.

Let us describe our choice of fragmentation process.

First of all, we suppose that the position at $t = t_1 +$ of the resulting two particles coincide with the position of the mother particle, i.e.

$$\mathbf{r}_1^p(t_1+) = \mathbf{r}_2^p(t_1+) = \mathbf{r}^p(t_1). \quad (0.5)$$

For the mass and the velocity fragmentation we choose a random procedure. We take the mass of the fragments to be

$$m_1^p = \xi m^p, \quad m_2^p = (1 - \xi)m^p, \quad (0.6)$$

where ξ is a fixed uniform random variable. Note that we have the mass conservation property, i.e.

$$m_1^p + m_2^p = m^p.$$

Concerning the velocity fragmentation the process needs more physical restrictions. We assume that a part $(1 - \theta)\mathcal{E}^p$ of the particle kinetic energy $\mathcal{E}^p = \frac{1}{2}m^p|\mathbf{v}^p(t_1-)|^2$ is lost in the fragmentation process, where $\theta \in (0, 1)$ is a fixed rupture parameter.

The resulting two fragments will have the kinetic energy $\mathcal{E}_1^p = \theta\gamma\mathcal{E}^p$ and $\mathcal{E}_2^p = \theta(1 - \gamma)\mathcal{E}^p$ with $\mathcal{E}_1^p + \mathcal{E}_2^p = \theta\mathcal{E}^p$, where γ is a fixed uniform random variable. If the first energy corresponds to the first choice of the mass fragmentation then we have

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{E}_1^p = \frac{1}{2}m_1^p|\mathbf{v}_1^p(t_1+)|^2 = \theta\gamma\mathcal{E}^p \\ \mathcal{E}_2^p = \frac{1}{2}m_2^p|\mathbf{v}_2^p(t_1+)|^2 = \theta(1 - \gamma)\mathcal{E}^p, \end{cases} \quad (0.7)$$

The other choice of the corresponding energy is similar with the last one by replacing γ with $1 - \gamma$.

Finally, as for the mass distribution we will suppose that we have an additive law:

$$\mathbf{v}_1^p(t_1+) + \mathbf{v}_2^p(t_1+) = \mathbf{v}^p(t_1+). \quad (0.8)$$

Let prove now that if the fragmentation parameters θ, ξ, γ satisfy the following inequality

$$\theta\gamma\xi(1-\xi)^2 - \theta^2\gamma^2(1-\xi)^2 - \theta\gamma(1-\xi)b - \frac{1}{4}b^2 \geq 0, \quad (0.9)$$

$$\text{with } b := (\xi - \xi^2 - \gamma(\xi + \theta - 2\xi\theta)),$$

there exist exactly two possibilities for the resulting fragmentation process.

We also give a method to compute the resulting velocity $\mathbf{v}_1^p(t_1+)$ and $\mathbf{v}_2^p(t_1+)$ from the fragmentations laws (0.6),(0.7), and (0.8).

In that follows we will write \mathbf{v}^p , \mathbf{v}_1^p , \mathbf{v}_2^p instead of $\mathbf{v}^p(t_1+)$, $\mathbf{v}_1^p(t_1+)$, $\mathbf{v}_2^p(t_1+)$.

Replacing the masses m_1^p and m_2^p in (0.7) we have the system

$$\begin{cases} \xi |\mathbf{v}_1^p|^2 = \theta \gamma |\mathbf{v}^p|^2 \\ (1 - \xi) |\mathbf{v}_2^p|^2 = (1 - \theta) \gamma |\mathbf{v}^p|^2, \end{cases} \quad (0.10)$$

and we can compute the velocities norms to be

$$\begin{cases} |\mathbf{v}_1^p| = \sqrt{\frac{\theta \gamma}{\xi}} |\mathbf{v}^p| \\ |\mathbf{v}_2^p| = \sqrt{\frac{1-\theta}{1-\xi}} \gamma |\mathbf{v}^p|, \end{cases} \quad (0.11)$$

From

$|\mathbf{v}^p|^2 = |\mathbf{v}_1^p|^2 + |\mathbf{v}_2^p|^2 + 2\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p = \frac{\theta\gamma}{\xi}|\mathbf{v}^p|^2 + \frac{1-\theta}{1-\xi}\gamma|\mathbf{v}^p|^2 + 2\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p$,
we get

$$2\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p = |\mathbf{v}^p|^2 \left(1 - \gamma \frac{\xi + \theta - 2\xi\theta}{\xi(1-\xi)} \right),$$

and since

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{v}^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_1^p = |\mathbf{v}_1^p|^2 + \mathbf{v}_2^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_1^p \\ \mathbf{v}^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p = |\mathbf{v}_2^p|^2 + \mathbf{v}_2^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_1^p, \end{cases} \quad (0.12)$$

we can compute $\mathbf{v}^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_1^p$ and $\mathbf{v}^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p$.

Let decompose the velocities \mathbf{v}^p and \mathbf{v}_1^p in the local basis $\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2$ as $\mathbf{v}^p = \dot{x}^p \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}^p \mathbf{b}_2$ and $\mathbf{v}_1^p = \dot{x}_1^p \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}_1^p \mathbf{b}_2$. We can decompose the two velocities in the basis \mathbf{v}^p and $(\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp = -\dot{y}^p \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{x}^p \mathbf{b}_2$ as

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{v}_1^p = \alpha_1 \mathbf{v}^p + \beta_1 (\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp \\ \mathbf{v}_2^p = \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}^p + \beta_2 (\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp, \end{cases} \quad (0.13)$$

where the parameters $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$ have to be computed. From (0.8) we have $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$ and $\beta_1 + \beta_2 = 0$ and using (0.12), we get $\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}^p = \alpha_1 |\mathbf{v}^p|^2$, so

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}^p}{|\mathbf{v}^p|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2 = 1 - \alpha_1.$$

Multiplying the first equation from the system (0.13) by $(\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp$, we obtain

$$\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot (\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp = \beta_1 ||(\mathbf{v}^p)^\perp||^2 = \beta_1 g^{11} (\dot{x}^p)^2 + \dot{y}^p g^{22} + 2g^{12} \dot{x}^p \dot{y}^p.$$

The parameter β_1 can be computed from

$\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 |\mathbf{v}^p|^2 + \beta_1 \beta_2 |(\mathbf{v}^p)^T|^2 = -\beta_1^2 |(\mathbf{v}^p)^T|^2 + \frac{\mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}^p}{|\mathbf{v}^p|^2} + \mathbf{v}_2^p \cdot \mathbf{v}^p$
if and only if (0.9) holds. In this case we deal with two solutions given by

$$\beta_1 = \pm \beta, \text{ with } \beta = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_1(1 - \alpha_1)|\mathbf{v}^p|^2 - \mathbf{v}_1^p \cdot \mathbf{v}_2^p}}{|(\mathbf{v}^p)^T|^2}. \quad (0.14)$$

Replacing $|(\mathbf{v}^p)^T|^2 = (\dot{x}^p)^2 g^{22} + (\dot{y}^p)^2 g^{11} + 2\dot{x}^p \dot{y}^p g^{12}$ in (0.14) we get β_1 .

The velocity for a first one fragment \mathbf{v}_1^p satisfies

$$\mathbf{v}_1^p = \alpha_1(\dot{x}^p \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}^p \mathbf{b}_2) \pm \beta(-\dot{y}^p \mathbf{b}^1 + \dot{x}^p \mathbf{b}^2) = \dot{x}_1^p \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}_1^p \mathbf{b}_2. \quad (0.15)$$

Multiplying the last equality by \mathbf{b}_1 we obtain

$$\dot{x}_1^p \mathbf{b}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}_1^p \mathbf{b}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b}_2 = \alpha_1(\dot{x}^p \mathbf{b}_1 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1 + \dot{y}^p \mathbf{b}_2 \cdot \mathbf{b}_1) \mp \beta \dot{y}^p.$$

That means

$$g_{11} \dot{x}_1^p + g_{12} \dot{y}_1^p = \alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{11} + \dot{y}^p g_{12}) \mp \beta \dot{y}^p.$$

Multiplying the equation (0.15) by \mathbf{b}_2 we obtain

$$g_{12} \dot{x}_1^p + g_{22} \dot{y}_1^p = \alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{12} + \dot{y}^p g_{22}) \pm \beta \dot{x}^p.$$

From the last two equations we can compute the components \dot{x}_1^p, \dot{y}_1^p of the velocity \mathbf{v}_1^p for the first fragment:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1^p = \frac{g_{11}[\alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{11} + \dot{y}^p g_{12}) - \beta \dot{y}^p] - g_{12}[\alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{12} + \dot{y}^p g_{22}) \pm \beta \dot{x}^p]}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} \\ \dot{y}_1^p = \frac{g_{11}[\alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{12} + \dot{y}^p g_{22}) + \beta \dot{x}^p] - g_{12}[\alpha_1(\dot{x}^p g_{11} + \dot{y}^p g_{12}) \mp \beta \dot{y}^p]}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} \end{cases} \quad (0.16)$$

Following the same procedure for \mathbf{v}_2^p we get the corresponding expressions of the components of second fragment

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}_2^p = \frac{g_{11}[\alpha_2(\dot{x}^p g_{11} + \dot{y}^p g_{12}) - \beta \dot{y}^p] - g_{12}[\alpha_2(\dot{x}^p g_{12} + \dot{y}^p g_{22}) \mp \beta \dot{x}^p]}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} \\ \dot{y}_2^p = \frac{g_{11}[\alpha_2(\dot{x}^p g_{12} + \dot{y}^p g_{22}) + \beta \dot{x}^p] - g_{12}[\alpha_2(\dot{x}^p g_{11} + \dot{y}^p g_{12}) \pm \beta \dot{y}^p]}{g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}^2} \end{array} \right. \quad (0.17)$$

Algorithm for the random binary fragmentation

Problem setting

- set the bottom surface \mathcal{S}_b as in Section 1
- set $\xi, \gamma \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1])$, and $\theta \in (0, 1)$, satisfying the inequality (0.9)
- set T_{final} and N_{max}

Iterative algorithm

Input at $t_k +$

- N^k the number of particles
- the mass of each particle
- the position of each particle
- the velocity of each particle

The transition from t_k to $t_{k+1}+$

- compute the fragmentation time t_{k+1} , having a Poisson distribution
- solve the differential equations on the interval time (t_k, t_{k+1}) with the previous initial conditions, by using a numerical approach
- *fragmentation process:*
 - i) $N^{k+1} = 2N^k$
 - ii) set the mass of each particle according to (0.6)
 - iii) choose the position of each particle according to (0.5)
 - iv) set the energy of each particle according to (0.7)
 - v) compute the velocities of each particle at $t_{k+1}+$ following the formula (0.16) and (0.17)
- update the input at $t_{k+1}+$

STOP: $t_k > T_{final}$ or $N^k > N_{max}$