

# Conservative stochastic 2-dimensional Cahn-Hilliard equation

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 Related to Kawasaki dynamics to Ising-Kac model (see [Giacomin, Lebowitz, Presutti99, Mourrat, Weber15])

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- [Da Prato, Debussche:1996]: Obtain a strong solution in 1-3 dimensional case but with space-time white noise or more regular noise.

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$\Rightarrow$  local well-posedness by fixed point argument for initial value in  $\mathcal{C}^{-\frac{4}{3}+}$

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## Remark 1

The Dirichlet form for the dynamical  $\Phi_2^4$  model ([Albeverio, Röckner91]) is:

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