Ninomiya-Victoir scheme: strong convergence, antithetic version and application to multilevel estimators

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- We are interested in the computation, by Monte Carlo methods, of the expectation Y = E [f (X<sub>T</sub>)], where X = (X<sub>t</sub>)<sub>0≤t≤T</sub> is the solution to a multidimensional stochastic differential equation (SDE) and f : ℝ<sup>n</sup> → ℝ a given function such that E [f (X<sub>T</sub>)<sup>2</sup>] < +∞.</li>
- We will focus on minimizing the computational complexity subject to a given target error  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$ .
- To measure the accuracy of an estimator  $\hat{Y}$ , we will consider the root mean squared error:

$$RMSE\left(\hat{Y};Y\right) = \mathbb{E}^{\frac{1}{2}}\left[\left|Y-\hat{Y}\right|^{2}\right]$$

We consider a general Itô-type SDE of the form

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = b(X_t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^j(X_t)dW_t^j \\ X_0 = x \end{cases}$$

where:

- $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,
- $(X_t)_{0 \le t \le T}$  is a *n*-dimensional stochastic process,
- $W = (W^1, \ldots, W^d)$  is a *d*-dimensional standard Brownian motion,

•  $b, \sigma^1, \ldots, \sigma^d : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  are Lipschitz continuous.

Assuming  $C^1$  regularity for diffusion coefficients  $\sigma^1, \ldots, \sigma^d$ , the Itô-type SDE can be written in Stratonovich form:

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = \sigma^0(X_t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^j(X_t) \circ dW_t^j \\ X_0 = x \end{cases}$$

where  $\sigma^0 = b - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d \partial \sigma^j \sigma^j$  and  $\partial \sigma^j$  is the Jacobian matrix of  $\sigma^j$  defined as follows

$$\partial \sigma^j = \left(\partial_{x_k} \sigma^{ij}\right)_{1 \le i,k \le n}.$$

# The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

#### Notations

- $(t_k = k \frac{T}{N})_{0 \le k \le N}$  is the subdivision of [0, T],
- $\eta = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_N)$  is a sequence of independent, identically distributed Rademacher random variables independent of W.
- for all  $j \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$ ,  $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^j = W_{t_{k+1}}^j W_{t_k}^j$ , • for  $j \in \{0, \ldots, d\}$  and  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , let  $(\exp(t\sigma^j)x_0)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  solve the ODE

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \sigma^{j}(x(t)) \\ x(0) = x_{0}. \end{cases}$$

#### Scheme

If  $\eta_{k+1} = 1$ 

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,N,\eta} = \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^{0}\right)\exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d}\sigma^{d}\right)\ldots\exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1}\sigma^{1}\right)\exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^{0}\right)X_{t_{k}}^{NV,N,\eta},$$

and if  $\eta_{k+1} = -1$ 

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,N,\eta} = \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^{0}\right)\exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1}\sigma^{1}\right)\ldots\exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d}\sigma^{d}\right)\exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^{0}\right)X_{t_{k}}^{NV,N,\eta}.$$

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### Link between ODEs and SDEs

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for 
$$j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$$
 and  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the dynamics of  $Y_t = \exp\left(W_t^j \sigma^j\right) y$  is given by

$$dY_{t} = \sigma^{j}(Y_{t}) \circ dW_{t}^{j} = \frac{1}{2} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j}(Y_{t}) + \sigma^{j}(Y_{t}) dW_{t}^{j}.$$

#### Splitting of the infinitesimal generator

The infinitesimal generator

$$\mathcal{L} = b.\nabla_x + \frac{1}{2}\mathrm{Tr}\left[(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d)(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d)^* \nabla_x^2\right]$$

is then split into

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + rac{1}{2}\sum_{j=1}^d \mathcal{L}_j^2,$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_{0}u(t,x)=\sigma^{0}(x).\nabla_{x}u(t,x),$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{j}u(t,x)=\sigma^{j}(x). \nabla_{x}u(t,x).$$

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### Order 2 of weak convergence

Denoting by  $(X_t^x)_{t\geq 0}$  the solution to the SDE starting from  $X_0^x = x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , for  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  smooth,  $u(t, x) = \mathbb{E}[f(X_t^x)]$  solves the Feynman-Kac PDE

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t,x) = Lu(t,x), \ (t,x) \in [0,\infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n\\ u(0,x) = f(x), \ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{L}u = \mathcal{L}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}u = \mathcal{L}^2 u$$
  
and  $u(t_1, x) = f(x) + t_1 \mathcal{L}f(x) + \frac{t_1^2}{2} \mathcal{L}^2 f(x) + \mathcal{O}(t_1^3).$ 

Ninomiya and Victoir have designed their scheme so that

$$\mathbb{E}[f(X_{t_1}^{NV,\eta})] = f(x) + t_1 \mathcal{L}f(x) + \frac{t_1^2}{2} \mathcal{L}^2 f(x) + \mathcal{O}(t_1^3)$$

One step error  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N^3}) \xrightarrow{N \text{steps}} \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N^2})$  global error.

### Theorem (Strong convergence)

Assume that the vector fields,  $\sigma^0, \sigma^j$  and  $\partial \sigma^j \sigma^j$ , for all  $j \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$ , are Lipschitz continuous. Then, for all  $p \ge 1$ , there exists a constant  $C_{NV} \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$  such that for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\max_{0\leq k\leq N}\left\|X_{t_{k}}-X_{t_{k}}^{NV,\eta}\right\|^{2p}\left|\eta\right]\leq \frac{C_{NV}}{N^{p}}.$$

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### Stable convergence of the normalized error

#### Theorem (Stable convergence)

Assume that

- σ<sup>0</sup> ∈ C<sup>2</sup> (ℝ<sup>n</sup>, ℝ<sup>n</sup>) and is a Lipschitz continuous function with polynomially growing second order derivatives,
- for all j ∈ {1,...,d}, σ<sup>j</sup> ∈ C<sup>2</sup> (ℝ<sup>n</sup>, ℝ<sup>n</sup>) and is Lipschitz continuous and its first order derivative is locally Lipschitz with polynomially growing Lipschitz constant,
- for all  $j, m \in \{1, ..., d\}, \partial \sigma^j \sigma^m$  is Lipschitz continuous,
- for all j ∈ {1,...,d}, ∂σ<sup>j</sup>σ<sup>j</sup> ∈ C<sup>2</sup>(ℝ<sup>n</sup>, ℝ<sup>n</sup>) with polynomially growing second order derivatives.

Then

$$V^{N} := \sqrt{N} \left( X - X^{NV,\eta} \right) \underset{N \to +\infty}{\overset{stably}{\Longrightarrow}} V,$$

where V is the unique solution of the following affine equation

$$V_{t} = \sqrt{\frac{T}{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{d} \sum_{m=1}^{j-1} \int_{0}^{t} \left[ \sigma^{j}, \sigma^{m} \right] (X_{s}) dB_{s}^{j,m} + \int_{0}^{t} \partial b (X_{s}) V_{s} ds + \sum_{j=1}^{d} \int_{0}^{t} \partial \sigma^{j} (X_{s}) V_{s} dW_{s}^{j},$$

with  $[\sigma^{j}, \sigma^{m}] = \partial \sigma^{m} \sigma^{j} - \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{m}$ , and  $(B_{t})_{0 \leq t \leq T}$  is a standard d(d-1)/2-dimensional Brownian motion independent of W.

### Remark

- The limit does not depend on  $\eta$ ,
- the strong convergence rate is actually 1/2 when at least two Brownian vector fields do not commute,
- if the Brownian vector fields commute, i.e.

for all 
$$j, m \in \{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma_j \sigma_m = \partial \sigma_m \sigma_j$$
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then the limit is 0.

### Commutation of the Brownian vector fields

#### Theorem (Strong convergence)

Assume that

for all 
$$j, m \in \{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma_j \sigma_m = \partial \sigma_m \sigma_j$$
,

(the order of integration of these Brownian vector fields no longer matters and  $\eta$  is useless) and that

- for all  $j \in \{1, ..., d\}$ ,  $\sigma^j \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first order derivatives,
- σ<sup>0</sup> ∈ C<sup>2</sup> (ℝ<sup>n</sup>, ℝ<sup>n</sup>) with bounded first order derivatives and polynomially growing second order derivatives,
- $\sum_{j=1}^{n} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j}$  is a Lipschitz continuous function,

Then, there exists a constant  $C'_{NV} \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$  such that for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{t\leq T}\left\|X_t-X_t^{NV}\right\|^{2p}\right]\leq \frac{C'_{NV}}{N^{2p}}.$$

Under the commutativity of the Brownian vector fields, it is possible to implement the Milstein scheme which also exhibits order one of strong convergence.

### Stable convergence of the normalized error

#### Theorem (Stable convergence)

Assume that

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- for all  $j \in \{0, ..., d\}$ ,  $\sigma^j \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first order derivatives,  $\partial \sigma^j$  and  $\partial^2 \sigma^j$  are locally Lipschitz with polynomially growing Lipschitz constant,
- for all  $j \in \{1, ..., d\}$ ,  $\partial \sigma^j \sigma^j$  is a Lipschitz continuous function,

and that the commutativity condition holds. Then:

$$U^{N} = N\left(X - X^{NV}\right) \stackrel{stably}{\Longrightarrow}_{N \to +\infty} U,$$

where U is the unique solution of the following affine equation:

$$U_{t} = \frac{T}{2\sqrt{3}} \sum_{j=1}^{d} \int_{0}^{t} \left[\sigma^{0}, \sigma^{j}\right] (X_{s}) d\tilde{B}_{s}^{j} + \int_{0}^{t} \partial b (X_{s}) U_{s} ds + \sum_{j=1}^{d} \int_{0}^{t} \partial \sigma^{j} (X_{s}) U_{s} dW_{s}^{j},$$
  
$$d \left(\tilde{B}_{t}\right)_{0 \leq t \leq T} \text{ is a standard } d\text{-dimensional Brownian motion independent of } W.$$

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### The Multilevel Monte Carlo

The main idea of this technique is to use the following telescopic summation to control the bias:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{L}}\right)\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{1}\right)\right] + \sum_{l=1}^{L} \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{l}}\right) - f\left(X_{T}^{2^{l-1}}\right)\right].$$

Then, a generalized multilevel Monte Carlo estimator is built as follows:

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC} = \sum_{l=0}^{L} \frac{1}{M_l} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l} Z_k^l$$

where  $(Z'_k)_{0 \le l \le L, 1 \le k \le M_l}$  are independent random variables such that:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z^{0}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{1}\right)\right]$$

and for all  $I \in \{1, \ldots, L\}$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z^{I}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{I}}\right) - f\left(X_{T}^{2^{I-1}}\right)\right].$$

# Cost and canonical exemple

#### Cost

For a given discretization level  $l \in \{0, ..., L\}$ , the computational cost of simulating one sample Z' is  $C\lambda_l 2^l$ , where:

- $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{R}_+$  is a constant, depending only on the discretization scheme,
- for all  $l \in \{0, \ldots, L\}$  ,  $\lambda_l \in \mathbb{Q}^*_+$  is a weight, depending only on l,

$$\mathcal{C}_{MLMC} = C \sum_{l=0}^{L} M_l \lambda_l 2^l.$$

Natural choice for  $Z', I \in \{0, \dots, L\}$ 

$$Z^0 = f\left(X_T^1\right)$$

for all 
$$I \in \{1, ..., L\}, Z' = f(X_T^{2'}) - f(X_T^{2'-1})$$
.

For this canonical choice, it is natural to take  $\lambda_0 = 1$  and  $\lambda_I = \frac{3}{2}$ .

# Complexity analysis

#### Bias

$$B\left(\hat{Y}_{MLMC};Y\right) = \mathbb{E}\left[\hat{Y}_{MLMC}\right] - Y = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{L}}\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}\right)\right]$$

The bias is related to the weak error of the scheme:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{L}}\right)-f\left(X_{T}\right)\right]=\frac{c_{1}}{2^{\alpha L}}+o\left(\frac{1}{2^{\alpha L}}\right).$$

#### Variance

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\hat{Y}_{MLMC}\right] = \sum_{l=0}^{L} \frac{1}{M_{l}} \mathbb{V}\left[Z^{l}\right].$$

If the simulation of  $X^{2^{l}}$  and  $X^{2^{l-1}}$  comes from the same Brownian path, then  $\mathbb{V}[Z^{l}]$  converges to 0 as l goes to infinity. The rate  $\beta$  of convergence to zero of  $\mathbb{V}[Z^{l}]$  is related to the strong convergence order  $\gamma$  of the scheme ( $\beta \geq 2\gamma$ ).

## Optimal complexity

### Theorem (Complexity theorem (Giles))

Assume that there exist  $(\alpha, c_1) \in \mathbb{R}^*_+ \times \mathbb{R}^*$  and  $(\beta, c_2) \in (\mathbb{R}^*_+)^2$  such that for all  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2^{l}}\right)\right] - Y = \frac{c_{1}}{2^{\alpha l}} + o\left(\frac{1}{2^{\alpha l}}\right)$$

and

$$\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{I}
ight]=rac{c_{2}}{2^{eta I}}+o\left(rac{1}{2^{eta I}}
ight).$$

Then, the optimal complexity is given by:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2}\right) \ \text{if } \beta > 1, \\ \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2}\left(\log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)^2\right) \ \text{if } \beta = 1 \\ \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2+\frac{\beta-1}{\alpha}}\right) \ \text{if } \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

# **Optimal parameters**

#### Optimal parameters

$$L^* = \left\lceil \frac{\log_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}|c_1|}{\epsilon}\right)}{\alpha} \right\rceil$$

$$\mathsf{M}_{0}^{*} = \left[\frac{2}{\epsilon^{2}}\sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{0}\right]}{\lambda_{0}}}\left(\sqrt{\lambda_{0}\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{0}\right]} + \sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}}\sqrt{c_{2}\lambda_{l}2^{l(1-\beta)}}\right)\right]$$

and for all  $I \in \{1, \ldots, L^*\}$ 

$$M_l^* = \left\lceil \frac{2}{\epsilon^2} \sqrt{\frac{c_2}{\lambda_l 2^{l(\beta+1)}}} \left( \sqrt{\lambda_0 \mathbb{V}\left[Z^0\right]} + \sum_{l=1}^{L^*} \sqrt{c_2 \lambda_l 2^{l(1-\beta)}} \right) \right\rceil.$$

#### Regression

One can estimate  $(\alpha, \beta, c_1, c_2)$  by using a regression:

$$\mathbb{V}\left[Z'\right] \sim \frac{c_2}{2^{\beta l}}$$
$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z'\right] \sim \frac{c_1\left(1-2^{\alpha}\right)}{2^{\alpha l}}$$

Denoting by  $\tau^{I}$  the theoretical computing time of level  $I \in \{0, \dots, L^*\}$ , one ha

$$au' \propto M_I^* 2'.$$

Replacing  $M_l^*$ , one can write

$$\tau' \propto 2^{-l\left(\frac{\beta+1}{2}\right)} 2^{l} = 2^{-l\left(\frac{\beta-1}{2}\right)}.$$

When  $\beta = 1$ , for the Euler scheme for example,  $\tau^{I}$  is constant.

Debrabant and Rössler consider

$$\begin{split} \hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{DR} &= \frac{1}{M_0} \sum_{k=1}^{M_0} f\left(X_T^{1,0,k}\right) + \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \frac{1}{M_l} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l} \left( f\left(X_T^{2^l,l,k}\right) - f\left(X_T^{2^{l-1},l,k}\right) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{M_L} \sum_{k=1}^{M_L} \left( f\left(\hat{X}_T^{2^L,L,k}\right) - f\left(X_T^{2^{L-1},L,k}\right) \right), \end{split}$$

where  $\hat{X}$  is a scheme with high order of weak convergence and such that

$$\mathbb{V}\left[f\left(\hat{X}_{T}^{2^{\prime}}\right)-f\left(X_{T}^{2^{\prime-1}}\right)\right]=\frac{c_{2}^{\prime}}{2^{\beta l}}+o\left(\frac{1}{2^{\beta l}}\right).$$

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### The Multilevel Richardson-Romberg Extrapolation

Adapting the notation of Pagès and Lemaire, the multilevel Richardson-Romberg extrapolation estimator is built as follows:

$$\hat{Y}_{ML2R} = \sum_{l=0}^{L} \frac{W_l}{M_l} \sum_{k=0}^{M_l} Z_k^l,$$

where  $(Z'_{kl})_{0 \le l \le L, 1 \le k \le M_l}$  are independent random variables satisfying

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z^{0}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{1}\right)\right],$$

and for all  $I \in \{1, \ldots, L\}$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z'\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}^{2'}\right) - f\left(X_{T}^{2^{l-1}}\right)\right].$$

Actually, the multilevel Richardson-Romberg extrapolation can be seen as a weighted version of the Multilevel Monte Carlo estimator.

# Optimal complexity

### Theorem (Complexity theorem (Pagès, Lemaire))

Assume that there exist  $R \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$ ,  $c'_1$ , ...,  $c'_R \in \mathbb{R}^*$  and  $(\beta, c_2) \in (\mathbb{R}^*_+)^2$  such that for all  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T^{2^l}
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ight),$$

and

$$\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{I}\right] = rac{c_{2}}{2^{\beta I}} + o\left(rac{1}{2^{\beta I}}
ight).$$

Then, the optimal complexity is given by:

• 
$$C_{ML2R}^* = O(\epsilon^{-2})$$
 if  $\beta > 1$ ,  
•  $C_{ML2R}^* = O(\epsilon^{-2}\log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right))$  if  $\beta = 1$ ,  
•  $C_{ML2R}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2}\exp\left(-\frac{\beta-1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}\sqrt{2\log\left(2\right)\log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)}\right)\right)$  if  $\beta < 1$ .

### **Optimal parameters**

$$L^* = \left\lfloor \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2} + \log_2\left(T\right)\right)^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha}\log_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{1+4\alpha}}{\epsilon}\right)} + \log_2\left(T\right) - \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor$$
$$W_l = \sum_{j=l}^{L^*} w_j$$
$$M_l^* = \lceil q_l^* N^* \rceil$$

 $a = \frac{\alpha}{(1^* - i)(1^* - i + 1)}$ 

where:

$$\begin{split} w_{j} &= (-1)^{L^{*}-j} \frac{2^{-\frac{j}{2}(L^{*}-j)(L^{*}-j+1)}}{\prod_{k=1}^{j} (1-2^{-k\alpha}) \prod_{k=1}^{L^{*}-j} (1-2^{-k\alpha})} \\ & \begin{cases} q_{0}^{*} \propto (1+\theta) \\ q_{l}^{*} \propto \theta |W_{l}| \frac{2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}l} + 2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}(l-1)}}{\sqrt{2^{l}+2^{l-1}}} \, \forall l \in \{1, \dots, L^{*}\} \\ \sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}} q_{l}^{*} &= 1 \end{cases} \\ N^{*} &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\alpha (L^{*}+1)}\right) \frac{\mathbb{V}\left[f(X_{T})\right] \left(1 + \theta \left(1 + \sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}} |W_{l}| \left(2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}l} + 2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}(l-1)}\right) \sqrt{2^{l}+2^{l-1}}\right)\right)^{2}}{\epsilon^{2} \left(q_{0}^{*} + \sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}} q_{l}^{*} (2^{l}+2^{l-1})\right)} \end{split}$$

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and

$$= T^{-\frac{\beta}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{c_2}{\mathbb{V}\left[f\left(X_T\right)\right]}},$$

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The Giles-Szpruch scheme is a modified Milstein scheme. The terms involving the Lévy areas  $\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \Delta W_s^j dW_s^m - \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \Delta W_s^m dW_s^j$  have been removed:

$$\begin{cases} X_{t_{k+1}}^{GS} = X_{t_{k}}^{GS} + b\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS}\right)\left(t_{k+1} - t_{k}\right) + \sum_{j=1}^{d} \sigma^{j}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS}\right) \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,m=1}^{d} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{m}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j} \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{m} - \mathbb{1}_{\{j=m\}}\left(t_{k+1} - t_{k}\right)\right) \\ X_{t_{0}}^{GS} = x. \end{cases}$$

### The Giles-Szpruch scheme: antithetic version

We consider two grids: a coarse grid with time step  $h_{l-1} = \frac{T}{2^{l-1}}$ , a fine grid with time step  $h_l = \frac{T}{2^l}$  and we introduce some notations:

• 
$$\forall k \in \{0, \dots, 2^{l-1}\}, t_k = kh_{l-1},$$
  
•  $\forall k \in \{0, \dots, 2^{l-1} - 1\}, t_{k+\frac{1}{2}} = (k + \frac{1}{2})h_{l-1},$   
•  $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^c = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k}, \Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^f = W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}} - W_{t_k}$  and  $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^f = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}.$ 

On the coarsest grid,  $X^{GS,2^{l-1}}$  is defined inductively by:

$$\begin{aligned} X_{t_{k+1}}^{GS,2^{l-1}} &= X_{t_k}^{GS,2^{l-1}} + b\left(X_{t_k}^{GS,2^{l-1}}\right)h_{l-1} + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^j\left(X_{t_k}^{GS,2^{l-1}}\right)\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j,c} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i,m=1}^d \partial \sigma^j \sigma^m\left(X_{t_k}^{GS,2^{l-1}}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j,c}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{m,c} - \mathbbm{1}_{\{m=j\}}h_{l-1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, on the finest grid:

$$\begin{cases} X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{GS,2'} = X_{t_{k}}^{GS,2'} + b\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS,2'}\right)h_{l} + \sum_{j=1}^{d}\sigma^{j}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS,2'}\right)\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{j,f} \\ + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j,m=1}^{d}\partial\sigma^{j}\sigma^{m}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{GS,2'}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{j,f}\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{m,f} - \mathbbm{1}_{\{m=j\}}h_{l}\right) \\ X_{t_{k+1}}^{GS,2'} = X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{GS,2'} + b\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{GS,2'}\right)h_{l} + \sum_{j=1}^{d}\sigma^{j}\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{GS,2'}\right)\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j,f} \\ + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{j,m=1}^{d}\partial\sigma^{j}\sigma^{m}\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{GS,2'}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j,f}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{m,f} - \mathbbm{1}_{\{m=j\}}h_{l}\right). \end{cases}$$

The antithetic scheme  $\tilde{X}^{GS,2'}$  is defined by the same discretization, except that the Brownian increment  $\Delta W^f_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}$  and  $\Delta W^f_{t_{k+1}}$  are swapped.

Considering, for all  $I \in \{1, \ldots, L\}$ ,

$$Z_{GS}^{\prime} = \frac{1}{2} \left( f\left( \tilde{X}_{T}^{GS,2^{\prime}} \right) + f\left( X_{T}^{GS,2^{\prime}} \right) \right) - f\left( X_{T}^{GS,2^{\prime-1}} \right),$$

Giles and Szpruch obtain a first order of convergence.

#### Theorem (Giles-Szpruch)

Assume that  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $b, \forall j \in \{1, ..., d\}, \sigma^j \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first and second order derivatives. Then:

$$orall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}^*_+, orall l \in \mathbb{N}^*, \ \mathbb{E}\left[\left|Z_{GS}^{\prime}
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# Coupling between the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme and the Giles-Szpruch scheme

#### Theorem (Strong convergence)

Assume that  $b \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first and second order derivatives, and,  $\forall j \in \{1, ..., d\}, \sigma^j \in C^3(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first and second order derivatives and with polynomially growing third order derivatives, and that,  $\forall j, m \in \{1, ..., d\}, \partial \sigma^j \sigma^m$  has bounded first order derivatives. Then:

$$\exists C_{GS} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, \forall N \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \ \mathbb{E}\left[\max_{0 \leq k \leq N} \left\| \bar{X}_{t_{k}}^{NV,\eta} - X_{t_{k}}^{GS} \right\|^{2p} \middle| \eta\right] \leq \frac{C_{GS}}{N^{2p}}$$

where

$$ar{X}^{NV,\eta} = rac{1}{2} \left( X^{NV,\eta} + X^{NV,-\eta} 
ight)$$

# Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

Considering:

$$\begin{split} Z'_{GS-NV} &= \frac{1}{4} f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{NV,2',\eta}\right) + \frac{1}{4} f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{NV,2',-\eta}\right) + \frac{1}{4} f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2',\eta}\right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2',-\eta}\right) - f\left(X_{T}^{GS,2'^{-1}}\right), \end{split}$$

we have a first order of convergence.

#### Corollary

Assume that  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $b \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first and second order derivatives, and,  $\forall j \in \{1, ..., d\}, \sigma^j \in C^3(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  with bounded first and second order derivatives and with polynomially growing third order derivatives. Then:

$$\forall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}^*_+, \forall l \in \mathbb{N}^*, \ \mathbb{E}\left[\left|Z_{GS-NV}^{l}\right|^{2p}\right] \leq rac{c}{2^{2pl}}.$$

## Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

Considering:

$$Z_{NV}^{I} = \frac{1}{4} \left( f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{NV,2^{I},\eta}\right) + f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{NV,2^{I},-\eta}\right) + f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2^{I},\eta}\right) + f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2^{I},-\eta}\right) \right) \\ - \frac{1}{2} \left( f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2^{I-1},\eta}\right) + f\left(X_{T}^{NV,2^{I-1},-\eta}\right) \right), \forall I \in \{1,\ldots,L\},$$

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### Derived MLMC estimators

•  $\hat{Y}^{GS}_{MLMC}$  is the MLMC estimator with the Giles-Szpruch scheme:

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{GS} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*} \frac{1}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{GS}^{l,k}$$

where  $Z_{GS}^0 = f\left(X_T^{GS,1}\right)$ .

•  $\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{NV}$  is the MLMC estimator with the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme:

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{NV} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*} \frac{1}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{NV}^{l,k}$$

where 
$$Z_{NV}^0 = f\left(X_T^{NV,1,\eta}\right)$$
 or  $Z_{NV}^0 = \frac{1}{2}\left(f\left(X_T^{NV,1,\eta}\right) + f\left(X_T^{NV,1,-\eta}\right)\right)$ .

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{GS-NV} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*-1} \frac{1}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{GS}^{l,k} + \frac{1}{M_{L^*}^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{L^*}^*} Z_{GS-NV}^{L^*,k}.$$

•  $\hat{Y}^{GS}_{ML2R}$  is the ML2R estimator with the Giles-Szpruch scheme:

$$\hat{Y}_{ML2R}^{GS} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*} \frac{W_l}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{GS}^{l,k}.$$

•  $\hat{Y}_{ML2R}^{NV}$  is the ML2R estimator with the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme:

$$\hat{Y}_{ML2R}^{NV} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*} \frac{W_l}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{NV}^{l,k}.$$

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### The Clark-Cameron SDE

#### ClarkCameron SDE

$$dX_t^1 = \mu dt + dW_t^1$$
$$dX^2 = X_t^1 dW_t^2.$$

#### Parameters and Payoff

• 
$$X_0^1 = X_0^2 = 0$$
 and  $T = 1$ .

• 
$$\mu = 1$$

• 
$$f(x_1, x_2) = \cos(x_2)$$
 and  $f(x_1, x_2) = (x_2)_+$ 

#### **CPU-time ratios**

To measure the efficiency of  $\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{GS-NV}$  with respect to other estimators, we plot the following CPU-time ratios:

$$R = rac{CPU - time\left(\hat{Y}
ight)}{CPU - time\left(\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{GS-NV}
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Numerical results:  $f(x_1, x_2) = \cos(x_2)$ 



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# The Heston model

### The Heston model

$$\left\{ egin{array}{l} dU_t = (r-\delta-rac{1}{2}V_t)dt + \sqrt{V_t}dW_t^1 \ dV_t = \kappa( heta-V_t)dt + \sigma\sqrt{V_t}\left(
ho dW_t^1 + \sqrt{1-
ho^2}dW_t^2
ight) \end{array} 
ight.$$

where the asset price S is given by  $S_t = \exp(U_t)$  and

 θ ∈ ℝ<sup>\*</sup><sub>+</sub> is the long implied variance, or long run average price variance; as t tends to infinity, the expected value of V<sub>t</sub> tends to θ,

• 
$$\kappa \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$$
 is the rate at which  $V_t$  reverts to  $heta$ ,

- $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$  is the volatility of the implied volatility and determines the variance of  $V_t$ ,
- $r \in \mathbb{R}$  the annualized risk-free interest rate, continuously compounded,
- $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$  is the annualized continuous yield dividend,
- ρ ∈] − 1, 1[ is the correlation between the two Brownian motion (ie stock price and implied volatility).

We assume that  $2\kappa\theta\geq\sigma^2$  to ensure that the zero boundary is not attainable for the volatility process.

#### Parameters and Payoff

• 
$$X_0 = 0$$
,  $V_0 = 1$  and  $T = 1$ .

• 
$$r = 0.05, \kappa = 0.5, \theta = 0.9, \sigma = 0.05$$
 and  $\delta = \rho = 0$ .

• 
$$f(x, v) = \exp(-rT)(\exp(x) - 1)_+$$

#### Remark

The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme is well defined when  $4\kappa\theta \ge \sigma^2$ .

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