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

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## Goal

- We are interested in the computation, by Monte Carlo methods, of the expectation $Y=\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}\right)\right]$, where $X=\left(X_{t}\right)_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is the solution to a multidimensional stochastic differential equation (SDE) and $f: \mathbb{R}^{n} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ a given function such that $\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{T}\right)^{2}\right]<+\infty$.
- 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:

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

## Itô-type SDE

We consider a general Itô-type SDE of the form

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
d X_{t}=b\left(X_{t}\right) d t+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \sigma^{j}\left(X_{t}\right) d W_{t}^{j} \\
X_{0}=x
\end{array}\right.
$$

where:

- $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$,
- $\left(X_{t}\right)_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is a $n$-dimensional stochastic process,
- $W=\left(W^{1}, \ldots, W^{d}\right)$ is a $d$-dimensional standard Brownian motion,
- $b, \sigma^{1}, \ldots, \sigma^{d}: \mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n}$ are Lipschitz continuous.


## Stratonovich form

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

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
d X_{t}=\sigma^{0}\left(X_{t}\right) d t+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \sigma^{j}\left(X_{t}\right) \circ d W_{t}^{j} \\
X_{0}=x
\end{array}\right.
$$

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

$$
\partial \sigma^{j}=\left(\partial_{x_{k}} \sigma^{i j}\right)_{1 \leq i, k \leq n}
$$

## The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

## Notations

- $\left(t_{k}=k \frac{T}{N}\right)_{0 \leq k \leq N}$ is the subdivision of $[0, T]$,
- $\eta=\left(\eta_{1}, \ldots, \eta_{N}\right)$ 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 $\left(\exp \left(t \sigma^{j}\right) x_{0}\right)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ solve the ODE

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\frac{d x(t)}{d t}=\sigma^{j}(x(t)) \\
x(0)=x_{0} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Scheme

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

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

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

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

## Link between ODEs and SDEs

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

$$
d Y_{t}=\sigma^{j}\left(Y_{t}\right) \circ d W_{t}^{j}=\frac{1}{2} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j}\left(Y_{t}\right)+\sigma^{j}\left(Y_{t}\right) d W_{t}^{j}
$$

## Splitting of the infinitesimal generator

The infinitesimal generator

$$
\mathcal{L}=b \cdot \nabla_{x}+\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr}\left[\left(\sigma^{1}, \ldots, \sigma^{d}\right)\left(\sigma^{1}, \ldots, \sigma^{d}\right)^{*} \nabla_{x}^{2}\right]
$$

is then split into

$$
\mathcal{L}=\mathcal{L}_{0}+\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{d} \mathcal{L}_{j}^{2}
$$

where

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

and

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

## Order 2 of weak convergence

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

$$
\left.\begin{array}{l}
\qquad\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x)=L u(t, x),(t, x) \in[0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^{n} \\
u(0, x)=f(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}
\end{array}\right. \\
\qquad \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial t^{2}}=\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{L} u=\mathcal{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u=\mathcal{L}^{2} u
\end{array}\right\}
$$

Ninomiya and Victoir have designed their scheme so that

$$
\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_{t_{1}}^{N V, \eta}\right)\right]=f(x)+t_{1} \mathcal{L} f(x)+\frac{t_{1}^{2}}{2} \mathcal{L}^{2} f(x)+\mathcal{O}\left(t_{1}^{3}\right)
$$

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

## Order $1 / 2$ of strong convergence

## 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 $p \geq 1$, there exists a constant $C_{N V} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}$ such that for all $N \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$,

$$
\mathbb{E}\left[\max _{0 \leq k \leq N}\left\|X_{t_{k}}-X_{t_{k}}^{N V, \eta}\right\|^{2 p} \mid \eta\right] \leq \frac{C_{N V}}{N^{p}}
$$

## Stable convergence of the normalized error

## Theorem (Stable convergence)

Assume that

- $\sigma^{0} \in \mathcal{C}^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ and is a Lipschitz continuous function with polynomially growing second order derivatives,
- for all $j \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \sigma^{j} \in \mathcal{C}^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ and is Lipschitz continuous and its first order derivative is locally Lipschitz with polynomially growing Lipschitz constant,
- for all $j, m \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{m}$ is Lipschitz continuous,
- for all $j \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j} \in \mathcal{C}^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ with polynomially growing second order derivatives.
Then

$$
V^{N}:=\sqrt{N}\left(X-X^{N V, \eta}\right) \underset{N \rightarrow+\infty}{\stackrel{\text { stably }}{\Rightarrow}} V
$$

where $V$ is the unique solution of the following affine equation

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

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

## Stable convergence

## 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.

$$
\text { for all } j, m \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma_{j} \sigma_{m}=\partial \sigma_{m} \sigma_{j}
$$

then the limit is 0 .

## Commutation of the Brownian vector fields

## Theorem (Strong convergence)

Assume that

$$
\text { for all } j, m \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma_{j} \sigma_{m}=\partial \sigma_{m} \sigma_{j}
$$

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

- for all $j \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \sigma^{j} \in \mathcal{C}^{1}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ with bounded first order derivatives,
- $\sigma^{0} \in \mathcal{C}^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ with bounded first order derivatives and polynomially growing second order derivatives,
- $\sum_{j=1}^{d} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j}$ is a Lipschitz continuous function,

Then, there exists a constant $C_{N V}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}$ such that for all $N \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$,

$$
\mathbb{E}\left[\sup _{t \leq T}\left\|X_{t}-X_{t}^{N V}\right\|^{2 p}\right] \leq \frac{C_{N V}^{\prime}}{N^{2 p}}
$$

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

- for all $j \in\{0, \ldots, d\}, \sigma^{j} \in \mathcal{C}^{2}\left(\mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbb{R}^{n}\right)$ with bounded first order derivatives, $\partial \sigma^{j}$ and $\partial^{2} \sigma^{j}$ are locally Lipschitz with polynomially growing Lipschitz constant,
- for all $j \in\{1, \ldots, d\}, \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{j}$ is a Lipschitz continuous function, and that the commutativity condition holds. Then:

$$
U^{N}=N\left(X-X^{N V}\right) \underset{N \rightarrow+\infty}{\stackrel{\text { stably }}{\Rightarrow}} U
$$

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

$$
U_{t}=\frac{T}{2 \sqrt{3}} \sum_{j=1}^{d} \int_{0}^{t}\left[\sigma^{0}, \sigma^{j}\right]\left(X_{s}\right) d \tilde{B}_{s}^{j}+\int_{0}^{t} \partial b\left(X_{s}\right) U_{s} d s+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \int_{0}^{t} \partial \sigma^{j}\left(X_{s}\right) U_{s} d W_{s}^{j}
$$

and $\left(\tilde{B}_{t}\right)_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is a standard d-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:

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

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

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L M C}=\sum_{l=0}^{L} \frac{1}{M_{l}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}} Z_{k}^{\prime}
$$

where $\left(Z_{k}^{\prime}\right)_{0 \leq I \leq L, 1 \leq k \leq M_{l}}$ 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 $I \in\{1, \ldots, L\}$,

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

## Cost and canonical exemple

## Cost

For a given discretization level $I \in\{0, \ldots, L\}$, the computational cost of simulating one sample $Z^{l}$ is $C \lambda_{1} 2^{\prime}$, where:

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

$$
\mathcal{C}_{M L M C}=C \sum_{l=0}^{L} M_{l} \lambda_{l} 2^{\prime}
$$

Natural choice for $Z^{\prime}, I \in\{0, \ldots, L\}$

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

for all $I \in\{1, \ldots, L\}, Z^{\prime}=f\left(X_{T}^{2^{\prime}}\right)-f\left(X_{T}^{2^{\prime-1}}\right)$.
For this canonical choice, it is natural to take $\lambda_{0}=1$ and $\lambda_{I}=\frac{3}{2}$.

## Complexity analysis

## Bias

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

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

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

## Variance

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

If the simulation of $X^{2^{\prime}}$ and $X^{2^{l-1}}$ comes from the same Brownian path, then $\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{\prime}\right]$ converges to 0 as I goes to infinity. The rate $\beta$ of convergence to zero of $\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{\prime}\right]$ 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 $\left(\alpha, c_{1}\right) \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*} \times \mathbb{R}^{*}$ and $\left(\beta, c_{2}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}\right)^{2}$ such that for all $I \in \mathbb{N}$ :

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

and

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

Then, the optimal complexity is given by:

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

## Optimal parameters

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$$
\begin{gathered}
L^{*}=\left\lceil\frac{\log _{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\left|c_{1}\right|}{\epsilon}\right)}{\alpha}\right\rceil \\
M_{0}^{*}=\left\lceil\frac{2}{\epsilon^{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{0}\right]}{\lambda_{0}}}\left(\sqrt{\lambda_{0} \mathbb{V}\left[Z^{0}\right]}+\sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}} \sqrt{c_{2} \lambda_{l} 2^{I(1-\beta)}}\right)\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

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

$$
M_{l}^{*}=\left\lceil\frac{2}{\epsilon^{2}} \sqrt{\frac{c_{2}}{\lambda_{1} 2^{\prime(\beta+1)}}}\left(\sqrt{\lambda_{0} \mathbb{V}\left[Z^{0}\right]}+\sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}} \sqrt{c_{2} \lambda_{l} 2^{I(1-\beta)}}\right)\right\rceil .
$$

## Regression

One can estimate ( $\alpha, \beta, c_{1}, c_{2}$ ) by using a regression:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbb{V}\left[Z^{\prime}\right] \sim \frac{c_{2}}{2^{\beta \prime}} \\
\mathbb{E}\left[Z^{\prime}\right] \sim \frac{c_{1}\left(1-2^{\alpha}\right)}{2^{\alpha \prime}}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Theoretical computing time

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

$$
\tau^{\prime} \propto M_{l}^{*} 2^{\prime}
$$

Replacing $M_{l}^{*}$, one can write

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

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

## Acceleration of the multilevel Monte Carlo

Debrabant and Rössler consider

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{D R} & =\frac{1}{M_{0}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{0}} f\left(X_{T}^{1,0, k}\right)+\sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \frac{1}{M_{l}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}}\left(f\left(X_{T}^{2^{\prime}, l, k}\right)-f\left(X_{T}^{2^{l-1}, l, k}\right)\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{M_{L}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{L}}\left(f\left(\hat{X}_{T}^{2^{L}, L, k}\right)-f\left(X_{T}^{2^{L-1}, L, k}\right)\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

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

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

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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:

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L 2 R}=\sum_{l=0}^{L} \frac{W_{l}}{M_{l}} \sum_{k=0}^{M_{l}} Z_{k}^{\prime},
$$

where $\left(Z_{k l}^{\prime}\right)_{0 \leq I \leq L, 1 \leq k \leq M_{l}}$ are independent random variables satisfying

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

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

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

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 $R \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, c_{1}^{\prime}, \ldots, c_{R}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{*}$ and $\left(\beta, c_{2}\right) \in\left(\mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}\right)^{2}$ such that for all $I \in \mathbb{N}$ :

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

and

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

Then, the optimal complexity is given by:

- $\mathcal{C}_{M L 2 R}^{*}=O\left(\epsilon^{-2}\right)$ if $\beta>1$,
- $\mathcal{C}_{M L 2 R}^{*}=O\left(\epsilon^{-2} \log \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ if $\beta=1$,
- $\mathcal{C}_{M L 2 R}^{*}=O\left(\epsilon^{-2} \exp \left(-\frac{\beta-1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \sqrt{2 \log (2) \log \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)}\right)\right)$ if $\beta<1$.


## Optimal parameters

$$
\begin{gathered}
L^{*}=\left\lfloor\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2}+\log _{2}(T)\right)^{2}+\frac{2}{\alpha} \log _{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{1+4 \alpha}}{\epsilon}\right)}+\log _{2}(T)-\frac{1}{2}\right\rfloor \\
W_{l}=\sum_{j=I}^{L^{*}} w_{j} \\
M_{l}^{*}=\left\lceil q_{i}^{*} N^{*}\right\rceil
\end{gathered}
$$

where:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& w_{j}=(-1)^{L^{*}-j} \frac{2^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}\left(L^{*}-j\right)\left(L^{*}-j+1\right)}}{\prod_{k=1}^{j}\left(1-2^{-k \alpha}\right) \prod_{k=1}^{L^{*}-j}\left(1-2^{-k \alpha}\right)} \\
& \left\{\begin{array}{l}
q_{0}^{*} \propto(1+\theta) \\
q_{l}^{*} \propto \theta\left|W_{l}\right| \frac{2^{-\frac{\beta}{2} I}+2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}(I-1)}}{\sqrt{2^{\prime}+2^{I-1}}} \forall I \in\left\{1, \ldots, L^{*}\right\} \\
\sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}} q_{l}^{*}=1
\end{array}\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
N^{*}=\left(1+\frac{1}{2 \alpha\left(L^{*}+1\right)}\right) \frac{\mathbb{V}\left[f\left(X_{T}\right)\right]\left(1+\theta\left(1+\sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}}\left|W_{l}\right|\left(2^{-\frac{\beta}{2} I}+2^{-\frac{\beta}{2}(I-1)}\right) \sqrt{2^{I}+2^{I-1}}\right)\right)^{2}}{\epsilon^{2}\left(q_{0}^{*}+\sum_{l=1}^{L^{*}} q_{l}^{*}\left(2^{\prime}+2^{I-1}\right)\right)}
$$

and

$$
\theta=T^{-\frac{\beta}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{c_{2}}{\mathbb{V}\left[f\left(X_{T}\right)\right]}}
$$

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## The Giles-Szpruch scheme

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

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

## The Giles-Szpruch scheme: antithetic version

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

- $\forall k \in\left\{0, \ldots, 2^{I-1}\right\}, t_{k}=k h_{I-1}$,
- $\forall k \in\left\{0, \ldots, 2^{I-1}-1\right\}, t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}=\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right) h_{l-1}$,
- $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{c}=W_{t_{k+1}}-W_{t_{k}}, \Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{f}=W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}-W_{t_{k}}$ and

$$
\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{f}=W_{t_{k+1}}-W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}
$$

On the coarsest grid, $X^{G S, 2^{I-1}}$ is defined inductively by:

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

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Similarly, on the finest grid:

$$
\left\{\begin{aligned}
X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{G S}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}} & =X_{t_{k}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}+b\left(X_{t_{k}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}\right) h_{l}+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \sigma^{j}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}\right) \Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{j, f} \\
& +\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j, m=1}^{d} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{m}\left(X_{t_{k}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{j, f}}^{j, f} \Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{m, f}}^{m,}-\mathbb{1}_{\{m=j\}} h_{l}\right) \\
X_{t_{k+1}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}} & =X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}}+b\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}}^{G}\right) h_{l}+\sum_{j=1}^{d} \sigma^{j}\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{G S, 2^{\prime}}}\right) \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j, f} \\
& +\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j, m=1}^{d} \partial \sigma^{j} \sigma^{m}\left(X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}^{G S}}^{G S, \prime^{\prime}}\right)\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{j, f} \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{m, f}-\mathbb{1}_{\{m=j\}} h_{l}\right) .
\end{aligned}\right.
$$

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

## Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

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

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

Giles and Szpruch obtain a first order of convergence.

## Theorem (Giles-Szpruch)

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

$$
\forall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, \forall I \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \mathbb{E}\left[\left|Z_{G S}^{\prime}\right|^{2 p}\right] \leq \frac{c}{2^{2 p \prime}}
$$

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## Coupling between the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme and the

 Giles-Szpruch scheme
## Theorem (Strong convergence)

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

$$
\exists C_{G S} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, \forall N \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \mathbb{E}\left[\max _{0 \leq k \leq N}\left\|\bar{X}_{t_{k}}^{N V, \eta}-X_{t_{k}}^{G S}\right\|^{2 p} \mid \eta\right] \leq \frac{C_{G S}}{N^{2 p}}
$$

where

$$
\bar{X}^{N V, \eta}=\frac{1}{2}\left(X^{N V, \eta}+X^{N V,-\eta}\right)
$$

## Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

Considering:

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z_{G S-N V}^{\prime} & =\frac{1}{4} f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime}, \eta}\right)+\frac{1}{4} f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime},-\eta}\right)+\frac{1}{4} f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime}, \eta}\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{4} f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime},-\eta}\right)-f\left(X_{T}^{G S, 2^{\prime-1}}\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

we have a first order of convergence.

## Corollary

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

$$
\forall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, \forall I \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \mathbb{E}\left[\left|Z_{G S-N V}^{\prime}\right|^{2 p}\right] \leq \frac{c}{2^{2 p l}}
$$

## Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

Considering:

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z_{N V}^{\prime} & =\frac{1}{4}\left(f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime}, \eta}\right)+f\left(\tilde{X}_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime},-\eta}\right)+f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime}, \eta}\right)+f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime},-\eta}\right)\right) \\
& -\frac{1}{2}\left(f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime-1}, \eta}\right)+f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 2^{\prime-1},-\eta}\right)\right), \forall I \in\{1, \ldots, L\},
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Corollary

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

$$
\forall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}, \forall I \in \mathbb{N}^{*}, \mathbb{E}\left[\left|Z_{N V}^{\prime}\right|^{2 p}\right] \leq \frac{c}{2^{2 p l}}
$$

## Derived MLMC estimators

- $\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S}$ is the MLMC estimator with the Giles-Szpruch scheme:

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S}=\sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}} \frac{1}{M_{l}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}^{*}} Z_{G S}^{l, k}
$$

where $Z_{G S}^{0}=f\left(X_{T}^{G S, 1}\right)$.

- $\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{N V}$ is the MLMC estimator with the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme:

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{N V}=\sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}} \frac{1}{M_{l}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}^{*}} Z_{N V}^{l, k}
$$

where $Z_{N V}^{0}=f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 1, \eta}\right)$ or $Z_{N V}^{0}=\frac{1}{2}\left(f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 1, \eta}\right)+f\left(X_{T}^{N V, 1,-\eta}\right)\right)$.

- $\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S-N V}$ is the MLMC estimator with the Giles-Szpruch scheme from level 0 to level $L^{*}-1$, and the coupling between the Ninomiya-Victoir and the Giles-Szpruch scheme at the last level $L^{*}$ :

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S-N V}=\sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}-1} \frac{1}{M_{l}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}^{*}} Z_{G S}^{I, k}+\frac{1}{M_{L^{*}}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{L^{*}}^{*}} Z_{G S}^{L^{*}, k} N V
$$

## Derived ML2R estimators

- $\hat{Y}_{M L 2 R}^{G S}$ is the ML2R estimator with the Giles-Szpruch scheme:

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L 2 R}^{G S}=\sum_{I=0}^{L^{*}} \frac{W_{l}}{M_{l}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}^{*}} Z_{G S}^{I, k} .
$$

- $\hat{Y}_{M L 2 R}^{N V}$ is the ML2R estimator with the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme:

$$
\hat{Y}_{M L 2 R}^{N V}=\sum_{l=0}^{L^{*}} \frac{W_{l}}{M_{l}^{*}} \sum_{k=1}^{M_{l}^{*}} Z_{N V}^{I, k}
$$

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## The Clark-Cameron SDE

## ClarkCameron SDE

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
d X_{t}^{1}=\mu d t+d W_{t}^{1} \\
d X^{2}=X_{t}^{1} d W_{t}^{2} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Parameters and Payoff

- $X_{0}^{1}=X_{0}^{2}=0$ and $T=1$.
- $\mu=1$.
- $f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\cos \left(x_{2}\right)$ and $f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\left(x_{2}\right)_{+}$.


## CPU-time ratios

To measure the efficiency of $\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S-N V}$ with respect to other estimators, we plot the following CPU-time ratios:

$$
R=\frac{C P U-\operatorname{time}(\hat{Y})}{C P U-\operatorname{time}\left(\hat{Y}_{M L M C}^{G S-N V}\right)} .
$$

## Numerical results: $f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\cos \left(x_{2}\right)$



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$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
d U_{t}=\left(r-\delta-\frac{1}{2} V_{t}\right) d t+\sqrt{V_{t}} d W_{t}^{1} \\
d V_{t}=\kappa\left(\theta-V_{t}\right) d t+\sigma \sqrt{V_{t}}\left(\rho d W_{t}^{1}+\sqrt{1-\rho^{2}} d W_{t}^{2}\right)
\end{array}\right.
$$

where the asset price $S$ is given by $S_{t}=\exp \left(U_{t}\right)$ and

- $\theta \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}$ is the long implied variance, or long run average price variance; as $t$ tends to infinity, the expected value of $V_{t}$ tends to $\theta$,
- $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}$ is the rate at which $V_{t}$ reverts to $\theta$,
- $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{*}$ 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,
- $\rho \in]-1,1[$ is the correlation between the two Brownian motion (ie stock price and implied volatility).


## The Heston model

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 $\delta=\rho=0$.
- $f(x, v)=\exp (-r T)(\exp (x)-1)_{+}$.


## Remark

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

## Numerical results



Thank you for your attention!

