

Randomised Quadratures and Randomised Numerical Schemes

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RANDOMISED NUMERICAL SCHEMES

– ODES

An example

Consider a one-dimensional ODE of Carathéodory type

$$\dot{x}(t) = -\frac{|x(t)|}{1000} + |\sin(2^9 \pi t)| := f(t, x(t)), \quad (\text{ODE1})$$

with $x(0) = 1.1$ and $t \in [0, 1]$. Easier to check that $\exists C > 0$ s.t.

$$|f(t, x) - f(t, y)| \leq C|x - y|. \quad (\text{Lip cond})$$

✓ (ODE1) admits a unique global solution over $[0, 1]$.²

Aim: to simulate the solution trajectory via (forward) Euler method.

²Note that if the coefficient f is Hölder only, it does not admit unique solution. For instance, $\dot{x}(t) = x^{1/3}$ subject to $x(0) = 0$ with two solutions, a trivial one and another one $x(t) = (2t/3)^{3/2}$.

An example

Step 0. Fix an equidistant partition $\mathcal{T}^k$ of $[0, 1]$ of the form

$$\mathcal{T}^k = \{t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_j < \cdots < t_{N_k} = 1\} \text{ with } t_j = jk.$$

Euler Scheme

Step 1. Set $x_0 = 1.1$;

Step 2. For j in $\{1, \dots, N_k\}$, iteratively evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} x_j &= x_{j-1} + kf(x_{j-1}, t_{j-1}) \\ &= x_{j-1} + k \left(-\frac{|x_{j-1}|}{1000} + |\sin(2^9 \pi t_{j-1})| \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Euler})$$

The divergence

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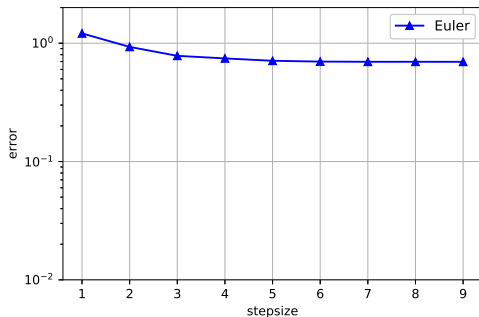


Figure: Euler scheme for (ODE1), stepsize vs error.

Randomized Euler scheme (Kruse& W., 2017)

Step 2. Sample $\tau_j \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$, then

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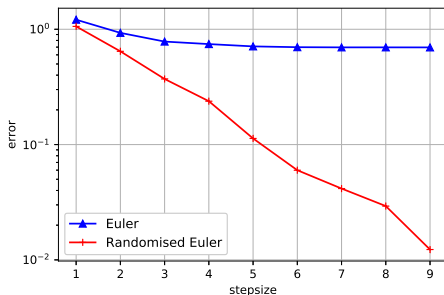


Figure: Euler vs randomized Euler for (ODE1), stepsize vs error.

The general case

Consider numerical approximation of

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where $f: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is γ -Hölder continuous in t , $0 < \gamma \leq 1$; Lipschitz in state variable, ie,

$$|f(t, x) - f(s, x)| < C|t - s|^\gamma, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d. \quad (\text{Hölder})$$

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Strategy: Deterministic method '×' Stratified Monte-Carlo

Stratified Monte-Carlo integration

Sampling

$(\tau_j)_j$: a seq. of $\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ -distributed IID r.v. on $(\Omega_\tau, \mathcal{F}^\tau, \mathbb{P}_\tau)$.

To estimate a targeted integral:

$$\int_a^b z(t) dt = (b-a) \int_a^b z(t) \underbrace{\frac{1}{(b-a)}}_{\text{Density of } \mathcal{U}(a, b)} dt$$

$$= (b-a) \mathbb{E}_\tau [z(a + \tau(b-a))]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Classic}}{\approx} (b-a) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N z \left(\underbrace{a + \tau_i(b-a)}_{\in [a, b]} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Stratified}}{\approx} (b-a) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} z \left(\underbrace{a + \frac{(i + \tau_{i+1})}{N}(b-a)}_{\in [a+i(b-a)/N, a+(i+1)(b-a)/N]} \right).$$

Remark

Monte-Carlo convergence rate: $\mathcal{O}(N^{-\frac{1}{2}})$ if $z \in L^2$.

Randomized quadrature rule (1D)

$z: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, measurable, in $L^p([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^d)$ with $p \in [2, \infty)$.
Define *randomized Riemann sum approx.* $Q_{\tau,h}^n[z]$ of $\int_0^{t_n} z(s)ds$

$$Q_{\tau,k}^n[z] := k \sum_{j=1}^n z(t_{j-1} + k\tau_j), \quad n \in \{1, \dots, N_k\}.$$

Theorem (Kruse&W., 2017)

$Q_{\tau,k}^n[z] \in L^p(\Omega_\tau; \mathbb{R}^d)$ is an unbiased estimator. For all $h \in (0, 1)$,

$$\left\| \max_{n \in \{1, \dots, N_k\}} \left| \int_0^{t_n} z(s)ds - Q_{\tau,k}^n[z] \right| \right\|_{L^p(\Omega_\tau; \mathbb{R})} \leq C \|z\|_{C^\gamma([0, T])} k^{\frac{1}{2} + \gamma}.$$

Sketch of proof

Define the error term

$$E^n := \int_0^{t_n} g(s) ds - Q_{\tau,h}^n[g] = \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} (g(s) - g(t_{j-1} + k\tau_j)) ds$$

$\Downarrow$

$(E^n)_{n \in \{1, \dots, N_k\}}$ is a discrete time L^p -martingale

$\Downarrow$ Burkholder-Davis-Gundy (BDG)

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \max_{n \in \{1, \dots, N_k\}} |E^n| \right\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R})} &\leq C_p \| [E]_{N_k}^{\frac{1}{2}} \|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R})} \\ &\leq C_p \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_k} \underbrace{\left\| \int_{t_{j-1}}^{t_j} (g(s) - g(t_{j-1} + k\tau_j)) ds \right\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)}^2}_{\leq \|g\|_{C^\gamma([0, T])}^2 k^{2+2\gamma}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq C_p T^{\frac{1}{2}} \|g\|_{C^\gamma([0, T])} k^{\frac{1}{2} + \gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Randomised Runge-Kutta

Step 2. Sample $\tau_j \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_j^\tau &= \mathbf{x}_{j-1} + \tau_j \mathbf{k} f(t_{j-1}, \mathbf{x}_{j-1}), \\ \mathbf{x}_j &= \mathbf{x}_{j-1} + \mathbf{k} f(t_{j-1} + \tau_j \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x}_j^\tau), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Randomised RK})$$

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Remark (Stengle, 1990,1995; Jentzen&Neuenkirch, 2009)

$$x_j^e = x_{j-1}^e + k f(t_{j-1} + \tau_j k, x_{j-1}^e). \quad (\text{Randomised Euler})$$

Convergences

Theorem (L^p convergence (Kruse&W., 2017))

For given $k \in (0, 1)$, we have ³

$$\left\| \max_{j \in \{0, 1, \dots, N_k\}} |x(t_j) - x_j| \right\|_{L^p(\Omega_\tau; \mathbb{R})} \leq C k^{\frac{1}{2} + \gamma}.$$

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Theorem (Almost-sure convergence (Kruse&W., 2017))

Let $(k_m)_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ be an arbitrary sequence of stepsizes with $\sum_m k_m < \infty$. For every $\epsilon \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ there exist a random variable $m_\epsilon^u: \Omega_T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ and a measurable set $A_\epsilon^u \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\mathbb{P}(A_\epsilon^u) = 1$ such that for every $\omega \in A_\epsilon^u$ and $m \geq m_\epsilon^u(\omega)$ we have

$$\max_{n \in \{0, 1, \dots, N_{k_m}\}} |x(t_n) - x_n^{k_m}(\omega)| \leq k_m^{\gamma + \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon}.$$

³ $\left\| \max_{j \in \{0, 1, \dots, N_k\}} |x(t_j) - x_j^e| \right\|_{L^p(\Omega_T; \mathbb{R})} \leq Ck^{(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma) \wedge 1}.$

L^2 convergence for an ODE with jumps

Consider the following ODE with a non-continuous coefficient function:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}(t) = g(t)u, & t \in [0, T], \\ u(0) = 1, \end{cases}$$

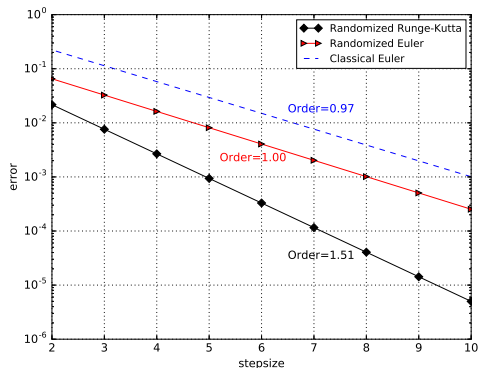
where $g(t) := \left[-\frac{1}{10}\text{sgn}(\frac{1}{4}T - t) - \frac{1}{5}\text{sgn}(\frac{1}{2}T - t) - \frac{7}{10}\text{sgn}(\frac{3}{4}T - t)\right]$
and

$$\text{sgn}(t) := \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } t < 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } t = 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

It can be verified that equals $u(T) = \exp(-\frac{3}{10}T)$.

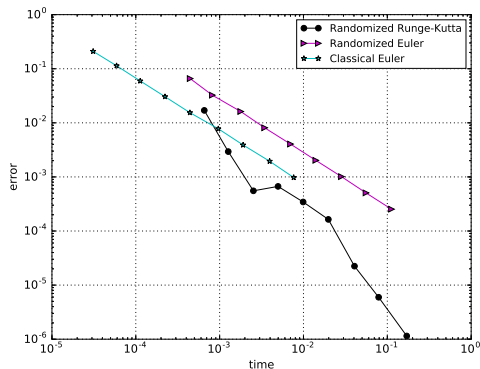
Error plot

Figure: L^2 -errors versus step sizes for ODE with jumps



Time costs

Figure: L^2 -errors versus CPU time



RANDOMISED NUMERICAL SCHEMES

– ELLIPTIC PDES

Elliptic equation

Consider the elliptic boundary value problem on $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\sigma \nabla u) = f, & \text{in } \mathcal{D}, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \partial \mathcal{D}, \end{cases} \quad (\text{Elliptic})$$

where $\sigma, f: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are coefficients with $\sigma(x) \geq \sigma_0 > 0$ for all $x \in \mathcal{D}$.

Fact (Existence of the weak solution u)

The variational form:

$$a(u, v) = F(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in H_0^1(\mathcal{D}), \quad (\text{VF})$$

with

$$a(u, v) := \int_{\mathcal{D}} \sigma(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla v(x) \, dx, \quad F(v) := \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) v(x) \, dx,$$

for $\sigma \in L^\infty(\mathcal{D})$ and $f \in L^2(\mathcal{D})$.

Galerkin finite element method

- ★ $(\mathcal{T}_h)_{h \in (0,1]}$: finite subdivisions of $\mathcal{D}$ into triangles;
- ★ $S_h \subset H_0^1(\mathcal{D})$: the associated FES of piecewise linear functions.

Fact (Galerkin approximation)

For $h \in (0, 1]$, find $u_h \in S_h$ s.t. for all $v_h \in S_h$

$$\int_{\mathcal{D}} \sigma(x) \nabla u_h(x) \cdot \nabla v_h(x) \, dx = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) v_h(x) \, dx. \quad (\text{Galerkin})$$

Galerkin finite element method

- ★ $(\varphi_j)_{j=1}^{N_h}$: a basis of S_h ;
- ★ the representation $u_h = \sum_{j=1}^{N_h} u_j \varphi_j$: $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_{N_h}]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h}$.

Fact (FEM linear system)

For $h \in (0, 1]$, find $\mathbf{u}$ s.t.

$$A_h \mathbf{u} = f_h, \quad (\text{FEM})$$

where the **stiffness matrix** $A_h \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h \times N_h}$ is given by

$$[A_h]_{i,j} = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \sigma(x) \nabla \varphi_i(x) \cdot \nabla \varphi_j(x) \, dx$$

for all $i, j \in \{1, \dots, N_h\}$, and the **load vector** $f_h \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h}$ has the entries

$$[f_h]_i = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) \varphi_i(x) \, dx, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, N_h\}. \quad (\text{Load})$$

Why randomised quadrature formula?

- ★ For general $\sigma \in L^\infty(\mathcal{D})$ and $f \in L^2(\mathcal{D})$, no closed form for the stiffness matrix and the load vector.
- ★ Standard methods for numerical integration need additional smoothness of σ and f .

Randomised quadrature rule (2D)

Fix h and $\mathcal{T}_h$:

$$Q_{MC}[v] = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} |T| v(Z_T) \approx \int_{\mathcal{D}} v(x) dx. \quad (\text{MC})$$

Here $(Z_T)_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h}$ denotes an independent family of random variables such that for each triangle $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ the random variable Z_T is **uniformly distributed** on T , that is $Z_T \sim \mathcal{U}(T)$.

Lemma (Kruse, Polydorides & W., 19)

Q_{MC} is unbiased, i.e., for every $v \in L^1(\mathcal{D})$ it holds that

$$\mathbb{E}[Q_{MC}[v]] = \int_{\mathcal{D}} v(x) dx.$$

Moreover, if $v \in L^2(\mathcal{D})$ then it holds that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\int_{\mathcal{D}} v(x) dx - Q_{MC}[v]\right|^2\right] \leq \sqrt{3}h^2\|v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})}^2.$$

In addition, if $v \in W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})$ ⁴ for some $s \in (0, 1)$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\int_{\mathcal{D}} v(x) dx - Q_{MC}[v]\right|^2\right] \leq h^{2+2s}\|v\|_{W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})}^2.$$

⁴For a domain $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and $s \in (0, 1)$ the norm $\|\cdot\|_{W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})}$ is given by

$$\|v\|_{W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})} = \left(\|v\|_{L^2(\mathcal{D})}^2 + \int_{\mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathcal{D}} \frac{|v(x_1) - v(x_2)|^2}{|x_1 - x_2|^{2+2s}} dx_2 dx_1\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Approximated variational problem

Define $a_{MC}: S_h \times S_h \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$ and $F_{MC}: S_h \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$, then

$$a_{MC}(v_h, w_h) := Q_{MC}[\sigma \nabla v_h \cdot \nabla w_h] = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} |T| \sigma(Z_T) \nabla v_h(Z_T) \cdot \nabla w_h(Z_T), \quad (\text{aMC})$$

$$F_{MC}(v_h) := Q_{MC}[f v_h] = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} |T| f(Z_T) v_h(Z_T) \quad (\text{FMC})$$

for all $v_h, w_h \in S_h$.

Formulation (FEM)

In terms of a_{MC} and F_{MC} the problem is stated as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Find } u_h^{MC}: \Omega \rightarrow S_h \text{ such that } \mathbb{P}\text{-almost surely} \\ a_{MC}(u_h^{MC}, v_h) = F_{MC}(v_h) \text{ for all } v_h \in S_h. \end{cases} \quad (\text{aGarlerkin})$$

Convergence

Theorem (Kruse, Polydorides & W., 19)

If $f \in L^p(\mathcal{D})$, $p \in [2, \infty]$, and $\sigma \in L^\infty(\mathcal{D}) \cap W^{s,q}(\mathcal{D})$, $s \in (0, 1]$, $q \in (2, \infty)$, then it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \|u - u_h^{MC}\|_{L^2(\Omega; H_0^1(\mathcal{D}))} &\leq \underbrace{Ch\|u\|_{H^2(\mathcal{D})}}_{\text{Error from FEM}} + \underbrace{Ch^{1-\frac{2}{p}}\|f\|_{L^p(\mathcal{D})}}_{\text{Error from RQ}} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{Ch^s\|u\|_{H^2(\mathcal{D})}\|\sigma\|_{W^{s,q}(\mathcal{D})}}_{\text{Error from RQ}} \end{aligned}$$

for $\forall h \in (0, 1]$, and u and u_h^{MC} denote the solutions to (VF) and (aGarlerkin), respectively.

Approximating the load vector

Recall that the entries of the load vector $f_h \in \mathbb{R}^{N_h}$ defined in (Load):

$$[f_h]_j = \int_{\mathcal{D}} f(x) \varphi_j(x) dx, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, N_h\}.$$

For each triangle $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ with $T \cap \text{supp}(\varphi_j) \neq \emptyset$, we can rewrite it as

$$\int_T f(x) \varphi_j(x) dx = \int_T \frac{f(x) \varphi_j(x)}{p_{T,j}(x)} p_{T,j}(x) dx \approx \frac{|T| f(Y_{T,j})}{3},$$

where $p_{T,j}(x) := \frac{\varphi_j(x)}{\int_T \varphi_j(x) dx} = 3|T|^{-1} \varphi_j(x)$ and $Y_{T,j} \sim p_{T,j}$.

Formulation (Importance-sampling RQR)

The load vector can be approximated via

$$[f_h]_j \approx F_{IS}(\varphi_j) := \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\substack{T \in \mathcal{T}_h \\ T \cap \text{supp}(\varphi_j) \neq \emptyset}} |T| f(Y_{T,j}), \quad Y_{T,j} \sim p_{T,j}.$$

Solving the Poisson Equation

Consider the Poisson boundary value problem on $\mathcal{D}$

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f, & \text{in } \mathcal{D}, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \partial\mathcal{D}, \end{cases} \quad (\text{Poisson})$$

where $f \in L^p(\mathcal{D})$ for some $p \in [2, \infty]$.

Remark

Poisson equation is a special case of (Elliptic) with $\sigma \equiv 1$. The stiffness matrix A in (FEM) does not require any quadrature rule.

In terms of F_{IS} the problem is stated as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Find } u_h^{IS}: \Omega \rightarrow S_h \text{ such that } \mathbb{P}\text{-almost surely} \\ a(u_h^{IS}, v_h) = F_{IS}(v_h) \text{ for all } v_h \in S_h. \end{cases} \quad (\text{aGarlerkin2})$$

Convergences

Theorem (Kruse, Polydorides & W., 19)

Define $\ell_h = \max(1, \log(1/h))$ and u_h^{IS} the solution to (aGarlerkin2).

1. If $f \in L^p(\mathcal{D})$, $p \in (2, \infty]$, then $\exists C \in (0, \infty)$ s.t. $\forall h \in (0, 1]$

$$\|u_h^{IS} - u\|_{L^2(\Omega; H_0^1(\mathcal{D}))} \leq Ch\|u\|_{H^2(\mathcal{D})} + C\ell_h^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{p}} h^{1 - \frac{2}{p}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathcal{D})}.$$

2. If $f \in W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})$, $s \in [0, 1)$, then $\exists C \in (0, \infty)$ s.t. $\forall h \in (0, 1]$

$$\|u_h^{IS} - u\|_{L^2(\Omega; L^2(\mathcal{D}))} \leq Ch^2\|u\|_{H^2(\mathcal{D})} + C\ell_h h^{1+s} |f|_{W^{s,2}(\mathcal{D})}.$$

An experiment

Consider the Poisson equation on $\mathcal{D} = [0, 1]^2$ with f as

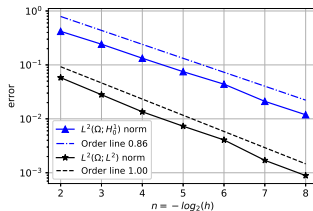
$$f(x, y) := |x - y|^{-q} + 10 \sin(2^3 \pi x) \operatorname{sgn}(2y - x),$$

where $q = 0.49$ and

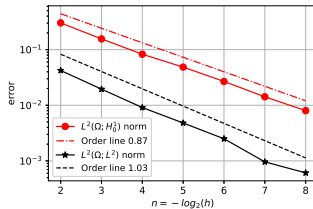
$$\operatorname{sgn}(x) := \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } x < 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } x > 0. \end{cases}$$

- Discretised solution based on the uniform meshes with mesh size $h = 2^{-n}$, where $n \in \{3, \dots, 8\}$;
- Record $\|u_h^{MC} - u_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; H_0^1(\mathcal{D}))}$, $\|u_h^{MC} - u_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; L^2(\mathcal{D}))}$, $\|u_h^{IS} - u_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; H_0^1(\mathcal{D}))}$, $\|u_h^{IS} - u_h\|_{L^2(\Omega; L^2(\mathcal{D}))}$ through $M = 5000$ independent solution realisations.

Error plots



(a) MC estimator



(b) IS estimator

Error vs time cost

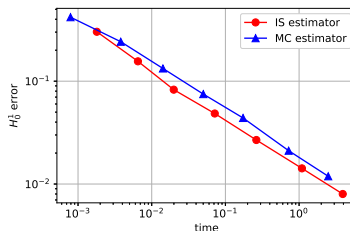


Figure: Error in H_0^1 norm against time cost for MC estimator and IS estimator.

Error vs time cost (smoother case)

Consider $f_2: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$f_2(x, y) := 8x(1-x)y(1-y), \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in \mathcal{D}.$$

In fact, it can be easily verified that $f_2 \in H_0^1(\mathcal{D}) \cap H^2(\mathcal{D})$.

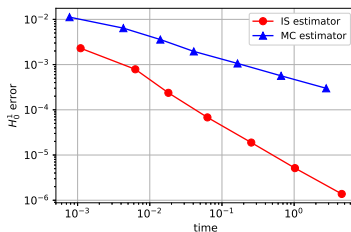


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– ADDITIVE SDES

An ODE regularised by noise

Consider the $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued SDE,

$$\begin{cases} dX(t) = f(t, X(t))dt + dB(t), & t \in [0, 1], \\ X(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d, \end{cases} \quad (\text{aSDE})$$

where $B = (B(t))_{0 \leq t \leq 1}$ is a d -dim BM on a probability space $(\Omega_B, \mathcal{F}^B, \mathbb{P}_B)$, and the drift coefficient $f : [0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is assumed to be α -Hölder continuous in time and bounded β -Hölder continuous in space with $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1]$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{C_b^{\alpha, \beta}} := & \sup_{t \in [0, 1], x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |f(t, x)| + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d, s \neq t} \frac{|f(t, x) - f(s, x)|}{|t - s|^\alpha} \\ & + \sup_{t \in [0, 1], x \neq y} \frac{|f(t, x) - f(t, y)|}{|x - y|^\beta} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Euler-Maruyama

The EM method on a fixed stepsize $1/n$:

$$\bar{X}_{t_{i+1}}^{(n)} = \bar{X}_{t_i}^{(n)} + \frac{1}{n} f(t_i, \bar{X}_{t_i}^{(n)}) + \underbrace{B(t_{i+1}) - B(t_i)}_{\sim \mathcal{N}(0, t_{i+1} - t_i)}, \quad (\text{EM-dis})$$

and for $t \in (t_i, t_{i+1}]$,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{X}_t^{(n)} &= x_0 + \int_0^t f(\kappa_n(s), \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(s)}^{(n)}) \, ds + B(t) \\ &= \bar{X}_{t_i}^{(n)} + \int_{t_i}^t f(t_i, \bar{X}_{t_i}^{(n)}) \, ds + B(t) - B(t_i) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{EM-cont})$$

where $\kappa_n(s) := \lfloor ns \rfloor / n$.

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Remark (Neuenkirch & Szölgvény, 2021)

The error of the EM scheme can be reduced to a quadrature problem (for instance, via a Zvonkin-type transformation [Zvonkin, 1974]).

Two quadratures

Two quadratures (Pamen & Taguchi, 2017)

$$\mathbb{I}_1(\bar{X}^{(n)}) := \mathbb{E}_B \left[\sup_{s \leq u \leq t} \left| \int_s^u \left(f(r, \bar{X}_r^{(n)}) - f(\kappa_n(r), \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(r)}^{(n)}) \right) dr \right|^p \right]$$

and

$$\mathbb{I}_2(\bar{X}^{(n)}, g) := \mathbb{E}_B \left[\sup_{s \leq u \leq t} \left| \int_s^u g(r, \bar{X}_r^{(n)}) \cdot \left(f(r, \bar{X}_r^{(n)}) - f(\kappa_n(r), \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(r)}^{(n)}) \right) dr \right|^p \right]$$

where $g \in \mathcal{C}_b^{0,1}([0, 1] \times \mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^d)$.

Quadratures through direct calculation

Note that

$$\|\bar{X}_t - \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(t)}\|_{L^p(\Omega_B; \mathbb{R}^d)} \leq Cn^{-1/2}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(r, \bar{X}_r) - f(\kappa_n(r), \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(r)})\|_{L^p(\Omega_B; \mathbb{R}^d)} \\ & \leq \|f\|_{C_b^{\alpha, \beta}} (|t - \kappa_n(t)|^\alpha + \|\bar{X}_t - \bar{X}_{\kappa_n(t)}\|_{L^p(\Omega_B; \mathbb{R}^d)}^\beta) \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{C_b^{\alpha, \beta}} (n^{-\alpha} + n^{-\beta/2}) \leq Cn^{-\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Two quadratures (Pamen & Taguchi, 2017)

$$\mathbb{I}_1(\bar{X}^{(n)}) \propto n^{-\gamma p} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{I}_2(\bar{X}^{(n)}, g) \propto n^{-\gamma p}.$$

Quadratures through stochastic sewing

To show that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{I}_1^s(\bar{X}^{(n)}) &:= \mathbb{E}_B \left[\sup_{s \leq u \leq t} \left| \int_s^u \left(f(\bar{X}_r^{(n)}) - f(\bar{X}_{\kappa_n(r)}^{(n)}) \right) dr \right|^p \right] \\ &\propto n^{-(\beta/2+1/2-\epsilon)p}. \end{aligned}$$

Steps of [Butkovsky et al, 2021].

- ★ showed $\mathbb{I}_1^s(B) \propto n^{-(\beta/2+1/2-\epsilon)p}$ via SSL [Lê, 2020].
- ★ Applied Girsanov's Theorem.

! Cannot handle the time-variable in $\mathbb{I}_1(\bar{X}^{(n)})$.

Randomised EM: two quadratures

The randomised EM method on a fixed stepsize $1/n$:

$$X_t^{(n)} = x_0 + \int_0^t f(\kappa_n^\tau(s), X_{\kappa_n(s)}^{(n)}) ds + B_t, \quad (\text{rEM})$$

where $\kappa_n^\tau(s) := (\lfloor ns \rfloor + \tau)/n$ and $\tau \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$.

Two quadratures (Bao and W., 2025)

$$\mathbb{I}_1^\tau(X^{(n)}) := \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \leq u \leq t} \left| \int_s^u \left(f(r, X_r^{(n)}) - f(\kappa_n^\tau(r), X_{\kappa_n(r)}^{(n)}) \right) dr \right|^p \right]$$

and

$$\mathbb{I}_2^\tau(X^{(n)}, g) := \mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{s \leq u \leq t} \left| \int_s^u g(r, X_r^{(n)}) \cdot \left(f(r, X_r^{(n)}) - f(\kappa_n^\tau(r), X_{\kappa_n(r)}^{(n)}) \right) dr \right|^p \right].$$

The convergence

Adopt the framework of [Pamen & Taguchi, 2017]. Recall that $\gamma := \alpha \wedge (\beta/2)$. using SSL:

$$\checkmark \quad \mathbb{I}_1^T(X^{(n)}), \mathbb{I}_2^T(X^{(n)}, g) \propto n^{-(\gamma+1/2-\epsilon)p}.$$

Theorem (Bao and W., 2025)

For any $p \geq 1$ and $\epsilon \in (0, 1/2)$, there exists a positive constant C depending on $m, M, d, p, x_0, \alpha, \beta$ and $\|f\|_{C_b^{\alpha, \beta}}$ such that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} |X(t) - X_t^{(n)}|^p \right] \leq C n^{-(\gamma+1/2-\epsilon)p}.$$

The convergence (α -stable process)

$$dX(t) = f(t, X(t))dt + dL(t) \quad (\alpha\text{-stable})$$

Adopt the framework of [Chen et al, 2018] and utilise conditional shifted version of SSL [Butkovsky et al, 2024].

Theorem (Bao, Wang and W., 2025)

Assume that the drift coefficient $f \in \mathcal{C}_b^{\eta, \beta}$ and L is a d -dimensional symmetric α -stable process, where $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ and suppose that

$$2\beta + \alpha > 2 \text{ and } (\eta + 1)\alpha + \beta > 2.$$

Then for any $p \geq 1$ and $\varepsilon \in (0, 1/2)$, $\exists C > 0$ such that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} |X(t) - X^{(n)}(t)|^p \right] \leq C n^{-(1/2 + \gamma - \varepsilon)p},$$

where $\gamma := \eta \wedge (\beta/\alpha) \wedge (1/2)$.

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