

Series 5a

Throughout this series, let $T \in (0, \infty)$, let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P, \mathbb{F}_{t \in [0, T]})$ be a stochastic basis, and let $W: [0, T] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a one-dimensional standard $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P, \mathbb{F}_{t \in [0, T]})$ -Brownian motion.

1. Milstein Scheme for One-Dimensional SDEs

Let $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, let $\mu: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be globally Lipschitz continuous, and let $\sigma \in C^1(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R})$. Consider the SDE

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad X_0 = \xi.$$

a) Let $M, N \in \mathbb{N}$. Write a MATLAB function `Milstein1D(T, ξ, μ, σ, σ', W)` with these inputs:

$T \in (0, \infty)$, $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mu: \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $\sigma: \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $\sigma': \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $W \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1) \times M}$, which returns M realizations $Y_N^N(\omega_i)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, M$) of the Milstein approximation Y_N^N for X_T .

Here: μ , σ , and σ' are function handles, and $W \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1) \times M}$ is a realisation of M independent 1-dimensional Brownian motions sampled at equally spaced time points $\{n\Delta t \mid n = 0, \dots, N\}$, i.e.

$$W^{:,i} = (W_0, W_{\Delta t}, W_{2\Delta t}, \dots, W_{(N-1)\Delta t}, W_{N\Delta t})(\omega_i) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, M).$$

Hint: You may modify the solution `EulerMaruyama.m` from Series 4a.

b) Investigate the strong error of the Milstein scheme for the one-dimensional SDE

$$dX_t = X_t dt + \log(1 + X_t^2) dW_t, \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad X_0 = 1, \quad (1)$$

using $M = 10^5$ realisations and $N = N_\ell = 10 \cdot 2^\ell$ time steps for $\ell \in \{0, 1, \dots, 4\}$. To this end:

- for each $\ell \in \{0, 1, \dots, 4\}$, generate M realizations $Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell}(\omega_i)$ ($i = 1, \dots, M$) of the Milstein approximation $Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell}$ for X_T ;
- for each $\ell \in \{0, 1, \dots, 4\}$, compute Monte Carlo approximations for the following expectations:

$$\mathbb{E}[|Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell} - X_T|] \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M |Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell}(\omega_i) - X_T| \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}[|Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell} - X_T|^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx \left(\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M |Y_{N_\ell}^{N_\ell}(\omega_i) - X_T|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Report on the experimental rates of strong convergence in L^1 and L^2 . Use a numerical solution of the SDE at level $\ell = 7$ as an approximation of the exact solution.

(You may use the provided template `Milstein_SDE.m`.)

c) Repeat question b) for the following SDE and comment on the results:

$$dX_t = X_t dt + \sin(1 + X_t^2) dW_t, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad X_0 = 1. \quad (2)$$

2. Positivity and Simulation of the CIR Process via Drift-Implicit Milstein

Let $a, b, \sigma_v > 0$ and $v_0 \geq 0$. Consider the Cox-Ingersoll-Ross process, given as solution to the SDE

$$dV_t = a(b - V_t)dt + \sigma_v \sqrt{V_t} dW_t, \quad V_0 = v_0, \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (3)$$

It can be shown (e.g., using the Yamada-Watanabe theorem) that the SDE (3) admits a unique solution (up to indistinguishability).

a) Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume that $[0, T]$ is discretised using a uniform temporal mesh with $N + 1$ nodes, i.e. with time step size $\Delta t = T/N$. The *drift-implicit Milstein scheme* for the stochastic process V with step size Δt and initial value $V_0^N = V_0 > 0$ is given, for $n = 0, \dots, N - 1$, by

$$V_{n+1}^N = V_n^N + a(b - V_{n+1}^N)\Delta t + \sigma_v \sqrt{V_n^N}(W_{t_{n+1}} - W_{t_n}) + \frac{\sigma_v^2}{4}((W_{t_{n+1}} - W_{t_n})^2 - \Delta t).$$

Show that if $4ab \geq \sigma_v^2$, then $P(V_n^N > 0) = 1$ for all $n \in \{0, \dots, N\}$.

b) Write a Matlab function `DriftImplicitMilstein`($T, N, v_0, a, b, \sigma_v$) with inputs $T \in (0, \infty)$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $v_0, a, b, \sigma_v > 0$, and output a realization of the drift-implicit Milstein scheme $\{V_0^N, V_1^N, \dots, V_N^N\}$ for the Cox-Ingersoll-Ross process V . Then, plot a sample path of the stochastic process V using the following parameter choices: $T = 1, N = 10^3, v_0 = 0.5, a = 2, b = 0.5$ and $\sigma_v = 0.25$.

3. Integrability and Proof Verification for the Kolmogorov Backward Equation

We adopt the full setting of Theorem 5.1.1 in the lecture notes with $d = m = 1$. Furthermore, we assume that there exists a constant $c > 0$ such that, for any $t \in [0, T]$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\sup_{s \in [t, T]} \|\mu(X_s^{t,x})\|_{L^9(P;|\cdot|)} + \sup_{s \in [t, T]} \|\sigma(X_s^{t,x})\|_{L^9(P;|\cdot|)} < c \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{s \in [0, T]} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{|\partial_2 u(s, z)|}{(1 + |z|)^3} \leq c,$$

where ∂_2 denotes the partial derivative with respect to the second (spatial) argument of u .

Show that for any $t \in [0, T]$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, and $h \geq 0$ such that $t + h \leq T$,

$$\int_t^{t+h} \mathbb{E}_P[(\sigma(X_s^{t,x}) \cdot \partial_2 u(t+h, X_s^{t,x}))^2] ds < \infty, \quad (4)$$

and verify the identity (5.11) in the proof of Theorem 5.1.1.

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