

# Adaptive sparse grids and quasi Monte Carlo for option pricing under the rough Bergomi model

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- **Classical Quasi-Monte Carlo (QMC)**

- ▶  $\varepsilon(M) = \mathcal{O}(M^{-1} \log(M)^{d-1})$
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- **Sparse grids quadrature (SGQ)**

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$\varepsilon$ : prescribed accuracy,  $M$ : the amount of work,  $d$ : dimension of problem,  $r, s$ : smoothness indices (bounded mixed (total) derivatives up to order  $s(r)$ ).

# Motivation

In quantitative finance, the integration problem is usually **challenging**

- **Issue 1:**  $S$  often takes values in a high-dimensional space  $\Rightarrow$  **Curse of dimensionality** when using numerical integration methods.
  - ▶ **Case 1:** Time-discretization of a stochastic differential equation (large  $N$  (number of time steps)).
  - ▶ **Case 2:** A large number of underlying assets (large  $d$ ).
- **Issue 2:** The payoff function  $g$  is typically **not smooth**  $\Rightarrow$  **low regularity** (small  $s$ )  $\Rightarrow$  slow convergence of **SGQ**.

⚠ **Curse of dimensionality:** An integration error of order  $\varepsilon$  requires  $M$  function evaluations

$$M \geq c_{\varepsilon} \bar{d}^{-c \log \varepsilon},$$

where  $\bar{d}$  depends on  $d$  and  $N$ .

# Publications Plan

- **Article 1:** Bayer, C., Hammouda, C.B. and Tempone, R., 2018.  
**Hierarchical adaptive Sparse grids for option pricing under the rough Bergomi model.** arXiv preprint arXiv:1812.08533. ✓

# Sparse Grids I

**Goal:** Given  $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and a multi-index  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_+^d$ , **approximate**

$$\mathbb{E}[F] \approx Q^{m(\beta)}[F],$$

where  $Q^{m(\beta)}$  a Cartesian quadrature grid with  $m(\beta_n)$  points along  $y_n$ .

**Idea:** Denote  $Q^{m(\beta)}[F] = F_\beta$  and introduce the **first difference**

$$\Delta_i F_\beta \begin{cases} F_\beta - F_{\beta - e_i}, & \text{if } \beta_i > 1 \\ F_\beta & \text{if } \beta_i = 1 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $e_i$  denotes the  $i$ th  $d$ -dimensional unit vector, and **mixed difference operators**

$$\Delta[F_\beta] = \otimes_{i=1}^d \Delta_i F_\beta \quad (2)$$

# Sparse Grids II

A quadrature estimate of  $E[F]$  is

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{I}_\ell}[F] = \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{I}_\ell} \Delta[F_\beta], \quad (3)$$

- Product approach:  $\mathcal{I}_\ell = \{\max\{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d\} \leq \ell; \beta \in \mathbb{N}_+^d\}$
- Regular SG:  $\mathcal{I}_\ell = \{|\beta|_1 \leq \ell + d - 1; \beta \in \mathbb{N}_+^d\}$

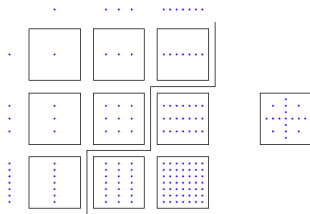


Figure 1.1: Left are product grids  $\Delta_{\beta_1} \otimes \Delta_{\beta_2}$  for  $1 \leq \beta_1, \beta_2 \leq 3$ . Right is the corresponding SG construction.

- ASGQ:  $\mathcal{I}_\ell = \mathcal{I}^{\text{ASGQ}}$ .

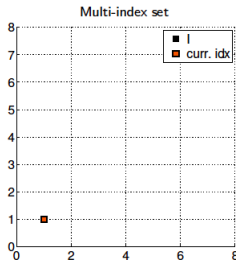


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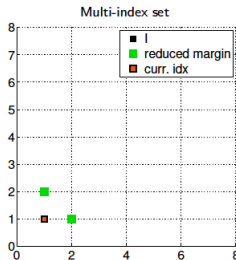
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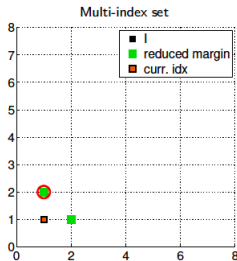
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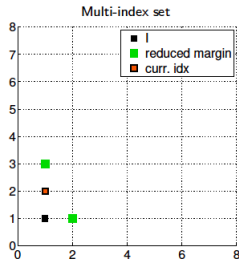
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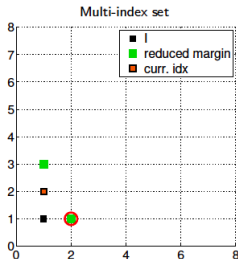
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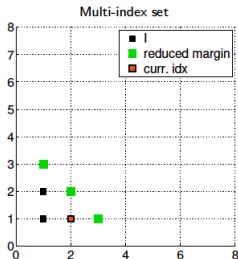
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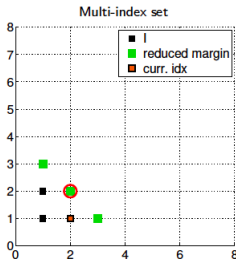
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# Path Generation Methods

$\{t_i\}_{i=0}^N$ : Grid of time steps,  $\{B_{t_i}\}_{i=0}^N$ : Brownian motion increments

- **Random Walk:**

- ▶ Proceeds incrementally, given  $B_{t_i}$ ,

$$B_{t_{i+1}} = B_{t_i} + \sqrt{\Delta t} z_i, \quad z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

- ▶ All components of  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_N)$  have the same scale of importance: **isotropic**.

- **Hierarchical Brownian Bridge** [Ciesielski, 1961]:

- ▶ Given a past value  $B_{t_i}$  and a future value  $B_{t_k}$ , the value  $B_{t_j}$  (with  $t_i < t_j < t_k$ ) can be generated according to ( $\rho = \frac{j-i}{k-i}$ )

$$B_{t_j} = (1 - \rho)B_{t_i} + \rho B_{t_k} + \sqrt{\rho(1 - \rho)(k - i)\Delta t} z_j, \quad z_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1). \quad (4)$$

- ▶ The most important values (determine the large scale structure of Brownian motion) are the first components of  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_N)$ .
- ▶  $\searrow$  the **effective dimension** (# important dimensions) and  $\nearrow$  **anisotropy** between different directions  $\Rightarrow$  **Faster** ASGQ convergence.

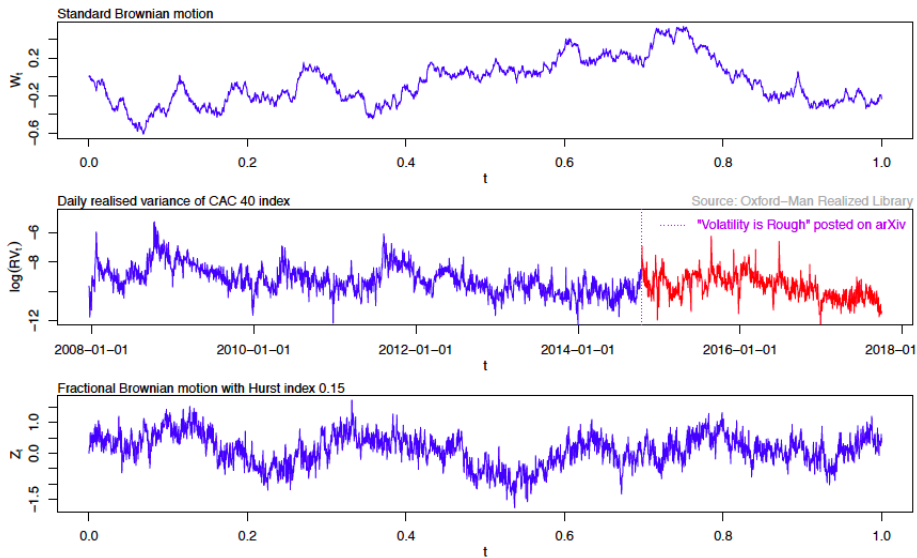


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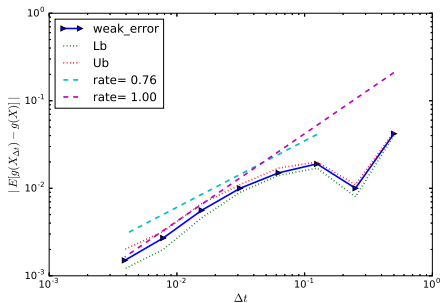
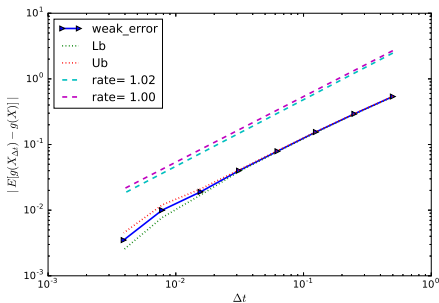
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# On the Choice of the Simulation Scheme



**Figure 2.1:** The convergence of the weak error  $\mathcal{E}_B$ , using MC with  $6 \times 10^6$  samples, for **Set 1 parameter in Table 1**. The upper and lower bounds are 95% confidence intervals. a) With **the hybrid scheme** b) With **the exact scheme**.

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## Numerical Experiments

$\mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}}$ : the total error of approximating the expectation in (8)

- When using ASGQ estimator,  $Q_N$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}} \leq |C_{\text{RB}} - C_{\text{RB}}^N| + |C_{\text{RB}}^N - Q_N| \leq \mathcal{E}_B(N) + \mathcal{E}_Q(\text{TOL}_{\text{ASGQ}}, N), \quad (9)$$

where  $\mathcal{E}_Q$  is the quadrature error,  $\mathcal{E}_B$  is the bias,  $\text{TOL}_{\text{ASGQ}}$  is a user selected tolerance for ASGQ method.

- When using randomized QMC or MC estimator,  $Q_N^{\text{MC (QMC)}}$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}} \leq |C_{\text{RB}} - C_{\text{RB}}^N| + |C_{\text{RB}}^N - Q_N^{\text{MC (QMC)}}| \leq \mathcal{E}_B(N) + \mathcal{E}_S(M, N), \quad (10)$$

where  $\mathcal{E}_S$  is the statistical error,  $M$  is the number of samples used for MC or randomized QMC method.

- The number of samples,  $M^{\text{QMC}}$  and  $M^{\text{MC}}$ , are chosen so that the statistical errors of QMC,  $\mathcal{E}_{S,\text{QMC}}(M^{\text{QMC}})$ , and MC,  $\mathcal{E}_{S,\text{MC}}(M^{\text{MC}})$ , satisfy

$$\mathcal{E}_{S,\text{QMC}}(M^{\text{QMC}}) = \mathcal{E}_{S,\text{MC}}(M^{\text{MC}}) = \mathcal{E}_B(N) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\text{tot}}}{2}, \quad (11)$$

## Numerical Experiments

**Table 1:** Reference solution, using MC with 500 time steps and number of samples,  $M = 8 \times 10^6$ , of call option price under the rough Bergomi model, for different parameter constellations. The numbers between parentheses correspond to the statistical errors estimates.

Parameters	Reference
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Set 2: $H = 0.02, K = 1, S_0 = 1, T = 1, \rho = -0.7, \eta = 0.4, \xi_0 = 0.1$	0 (9)
Set 3: $H = 0.02, K = 0.8, S_0 = 1, T = 1, \rho = -0.7, \eta = 0.4, \xi_0 = 0.1$	0 (5)
Set 4: $H = 0.02, K = 1.2, S_0 = 1, T = 1, \rho = -0.7, \eta = 0.4, \xi_0 = 0.1$	0 (8)

- The first set is the **closest to the empirical findings** [?, Bennedsen et al., 2016], suggesting that  $H \approx 0.1$ . The choice of values  $\nu = 1.9$  and  $\rho = -0.9$  is justified by [Bayer et al., 2016].
- For the remaining three sets, we wanted to test the potential of our method for a **very rough case**, where variance reduction methods are inefficient.

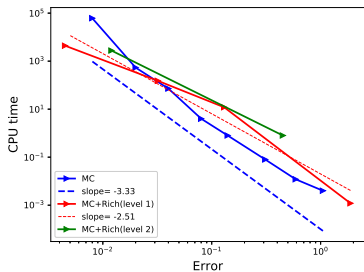
# Relative Errors and Computational Gains of the Different Me

**Table 2:** In this table, we highlight the computational gains achieved by ASGQ and QMC over MC method to meet a certain error tolerance. We note that the ratios are computed **for the best configuration with Richardson extrapolation for each method.**

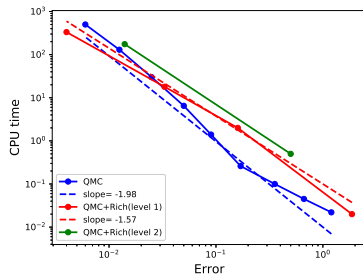
Parameter set	Total relative error	CPU time ratio (MC/ASGQ)
Set 1	1%	15
Set 2	0.2%	21.5
Set 3	0.4%	26.7
Set 4	2%	5



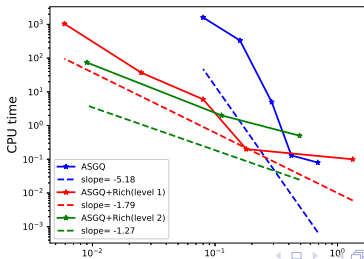
# Complexity of the Different Methods with the Different Config



(a)



(b)



# Complexity of the Different Methods with the Different Configurations

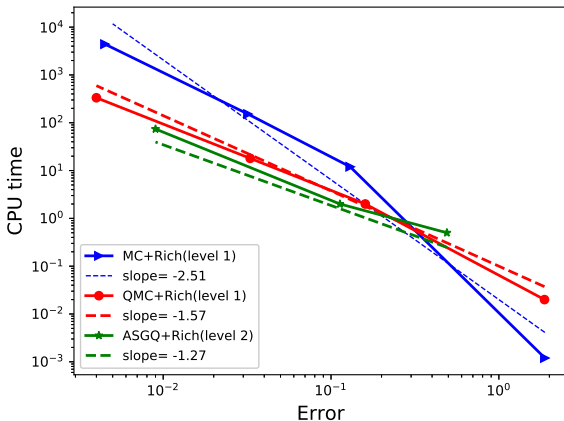


Figure 2.3: Computational work comparison for the different methods with the best configurations concluded from Figure 2.2, for the case of parameter set 1 in Table 1.

Thank you for your attention

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