

Weak convergence of Euler-Maruyama's approximation for SDEs under integrability condition

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Consider

$$dX(t) = b(t, X(t))dt + \sigma(t, X(t))dW(t),$$

where $b \in \mathbb{L}_p^q := L^q(\mathbb{R}_+; L^p(\mathbb{R}^d))$ with $p, q > 1$, $\frac{d}{p} + \frac{2}{q} < 1$.

- ▶ Krylov-Röckner (2005), existence and uniqueness of strong solution when $\sigma(t, x) = Id$.
- ▶ Zhang, X.C. (2005, 2011), considered the case of multiplicative noise.
- ▶ Basic methods: Krylov's estimate and Zvonkin's transform

- Wang, F.Y. (2017) Ann. Probab. used **Harnack inequality** to discuss the *nonexplosion* of SDEs with singular drifts and its existence, uniqueness and regularity of invariant probability measures.
- Wang, F.Y. (2018) PTRF, extended this method to deal with degenerate SDEs and path-dependent SDEs.
- The drift $b(t, x)$ may not belong to \mathbb{L}_p^q or satisfy any Lyapunov type condition.

Example

$$b(t, x) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{|x - n|^2} \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} - x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (\text{E1})$$

Euler-Maruyama's approximation

Numerical approximation plays important role in the application of SDEs.

- Under global Lipschitz condition, Strong convergence of Euler-Maruyama's (EM's) approximation, cf. Kloeden and Platen (1992).
- Under one-sided Lipschitz condition, Strong convergence of EM's approximation, cf. Higham, Mao, Stuart (2002).

Generally, the linear growth condition plays a crucial role, because

- ♠ Hutzenthaler, Jentzen, Kloeden (2011, 2013) showed that EM's approximation may diverge to ∞ both in strong and weak sense if the coefficients grow superlinearly.

Convergence of EM's approximation

The convergence of EM's approximation has been investigated for various criteria:

- Convergence of expectation of functionals of solutions of SDEs, cf. Talay and Tubaro ([1990](#))
- Convergence of distribution function, cf. Bally and Talay ([1996](#))
- Convergence in Wasserstein distance, cf. e.g. Alfonsi et al. ([2014](#))

Convergence of EM's approximation

- Yan (2002) Ann. Probab. possibly discontinuous coefficients but satisfying linear growth condition;
- Kohatsu-Higa et al. (2012), bounded Hölder continuous drifts;
- Ngo and Taguchi (2018), Hölder continuous drifts and satisfying the sub-linear growth condition.

In this talk, we shall study the weak convergence in the form

$$\mathbb{E}[f(X_\delta(t))] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[f(X(t))], \quad \text{as } \delta \rightarrow 0, \quad \forall \text{ bounded } f,$$

and in the **W**asserstein distance.

First, since singular $b(t, x)$ may not be well-defined for every $(t, x) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d$, in order to define the EM's approximation for every initial value, certain regularization is needed. For example, consider the drift $b(t, x)$ defined previous in (E1), we define

$$Z(t, x) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^d \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{|x - n|^2} \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \psi_\varepsilon = \varepsilon^{-d}(\psi(x/\varepsilon)),$$

where $\psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}_+)$ with $\int \psi(y) dy = 1$.

$$b_\varepsilon(t, x) = (Z(t, \cdot) * \psi_\varepsilon)(x) - x.$$

Correspondingly, define $dX_\varepsilon(t) = b_\varepsilon(t, X_\varepsilon(t))dt + dW(t)$.

♠ Estimate the difference between $X(t)$ and $X_\varepsilon(t)$.

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$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} |X^b(t) - X^{\tilde{b}}(t)|^2 \right] \leq C \|b - \tilde{b}\|_{\mathbb{L}_p^q}^2.$$

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Second, define EM's approximation

$$dX_\varepsilon^\delta(t) = b_\varepsilon([t/\delta]\delta, X_\varepsilon^\delta([t/\delta]\delta))dt + dW(t).$$

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Consider the SDE

$$dX(t) = b(t, X(t))dt + \sigma dW(t), \quad X(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (\text{E2})$$

where $(W(t))$ d -dim B.M., $b : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$.

$(\text{H}_\sigma) \exists \lambda > 0$ s.t. $\lambda^{-1}|x|^2 \leq |\sigma x|^2 \leq \lambda|x|^2, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

For $V \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, define

$$\mu_0(dx) = e^{-V(x)} dx, \quad Z_0 = - \sum_{i,j=1}^d (a_{ij} \partial_j V) e_i,$$

where $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^d$ canonical orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^d , $(a_{ij}) = \sigma\sigma^*$.

Define a class of functions:

$$\mathcal{V} = \left\{ V \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \mid \begin{array}{l} \mu_0(\mathbb{R}^d) = 1, \exists K_0 > 0, \\ |Z_0(x) - Z_0(y)| \leq K_0|x - y| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d \end{array} \right\}.$$

The Wasserstein distance between two probability measures μ and ν on \mathbb{R}^d :

$$W_1(\mu, \nu) = \inf \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d} |x - y| \pi(dx, dy); \pi \in \mathcal{C}(\mu, \nu) \right\},$$

where $\mathcal{C}(\mu, \nu)$ the collection of all couplings of μ and ν .

Theorem 1. Let $(\tilde{X}(t))$ be the solution to the following SDE:

$$d\tilde{X}(t) = \tilde{b}(t, \tilde{X}(t))dt + \sigma dW(t), \quad \tilde{X}(0) = x_0.$$

Assume (H_σ) holds. Let $T > 0$ be given. Assume $\exists V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $Z_0, Z(t, x) := b(t, x) - Z_0(x), \tilde{Z}(t, x) := \tilde{b}(t, x) - Z_0(x)$ satisfy:

(H1) \exists a constant $\eta > 2\lambda Td$ such that

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mu_0 \left(e^{\eta |Z(t, \cdot)|^2} \right) < \infty, \quad \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mu_0 \left(e^{\eta |\tilde{Z}(t, \cdot)|^2} \right) < \infty.$$

Then, $\forall \xi > d, \exists$ a constant $C = C(K_0, T, \lambda, \xi, \eta)$ such that

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} W_1(\mathcal{L}(X(t)), \mathcal{L}(\tilde{X}(t))) \leq C \left\{ \int_0^T \frac{\mu_0(|Z - \tilde{Z}|^{q_0 \xi}(s, \cdot))^{\frac{1}{\xi}}}{(1 - e^{-K_0 s})^{\frac{d}{\xi}}} ds \right\}^{\frac{1}{q_0}},$$

where $q_0 = p_0 / (p_0 - 1), p_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\eta}{2\lambda Td}} \wedge 2$.

Assume the drift b in (E2) is well-defined for every (t, x) , then the EM's approximation of (E2) is defined by

$$dX_\delta(t) = b(t_\delta, X_\delta(t_\delta))dt + \sigma dW(t), \quad X_\delta(0) = x_0,$$

where $t_\delta = [t/\delta]\delta$ for $\delta > 0$.

Theorem 2. Assume (H_σ) holds. $T > 0$ be given. Assume $\exists V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $(t, x) \mapsto Z(t, x) := b(t, x) - Z_0(x)$ is continuous. Suppose

(H2) $\exists \eta_0 > 0$ and $\eta > 4\lambda Td$ such that

$$\mu_0\left(e^{\eta_0|Z_0|^2}\right) < \infty, \quad \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mu_0\left(e^{\eta|Z(t, \cdot)|^2}\right) < \infty.$$

Then,

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{E}[f(X_\delta(t))] = \mathbb{E}[f(X(t))], \quad t \in [0, T], \forall f \in \mathcal{B}_b(\mathbb{R}^d),$$

and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} W_1(\mathcal{L}(X_\delta(t)), \mathcal{L}(X(t))) = 0, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

When $b(t, x) = b(x)$ is time homogeneous, conditions (H1) and (H2) can be replaced respectively by (H1') and (H2') below, and the corresponding results are still valid.

(H1') $\exists \eta > 0$ such that

$$\mu_0(e^{\eta|Z|^2}) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_0(e^{\eta|\tilde{Z}|^2}) < \infty.$$

(H2') $\exists \eta > 0$ such that

$$\mu_0(e^{\eta|Z_0|^2}) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_0(e^{\eta|Z|^2}) < \infty.$$

In Theorem 1, now the estimate is:

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} W_1(\mathcal{L}(X(t)), \mathcal{L}(\tilde{X}(t))) \leq C \mu_0(|Z - \tilde{Z}|^{2\xi})^{\frac{1}{2\xi}}.$$

Theorem 3. Suppose the conditions of Theorem 2 hold. In addition, assume that $\exists K_1, m_1 > 0, \alpha \in (0, 1]$ and a polynomially bounded function $h : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} |Z(t, x) - Z(t, y)| &\leq K_1(1 + |x|^{m_1} + |y|^{m_1})|x - y|, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d, \\ |Z(t, x) - Z(s, x)| &\leq h(x)|t - s|^\alpha, \quad t, s \in [0, T], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$W_1(\mathcal{L}(X_\delta(t)), \mathcal{L}(X(t))) \leq C\delta^{\frac{1}{2} \wedge \alpha}, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

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Take $V(x) = x^2/2 + \log(\sqrt{2\pi})$, then $\mu_0(dx) = \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$, $Z_0(x) = -x$, and

$$Z(x) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{|x - n|^2} \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Then for any $\eta > 0$,

$$\mu_0 \left(e^{\eta|Z|^2} \right) < \infty.$$

Let $X_\varepsilon(t)$ and $X_\varepsilon^\delta(t)$ be determined previously. Then, for every $T > 0$, $\xi > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} W_1(\mathcal{L}(X_\varepsilon(t)), \mathcal{L}(X(t))) &\leq C(\mu_0(|Z - Z_\varepsilon|^{2\xi}))^{\frac{1}{2\xi}}, \\ W_1(\mathcal{L}(X_\varepsilon^\delta(t)), \mathcal{L}(X_\varepsilon(t))) &\leq C\delta^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad t \in [0, T]. \end{aligned}$$

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$$dX^{(1)}(t) = X^{(2)}(t)dt,$$

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$b : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$. Assume b is well-defined everywhere.

Consider its EM's approximation:

$$dX_\delta^{(1)}(t) = X_\delta^{(2)}(t)dt,$$

$$dX_\delta^{(2)}(t) = b(t_\delta, X_\delta^{(1)}(t_\delta), X_\delta^{(2)}(t_\delta))dt + \sigma dW(t),$$

Theorem

Let $T > 0$ be given. Assume that (H_σ) holds and there exists $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $(t, x_1, x_2) \mapsto Z(t, x_1, x_2) := b(t, x_1, x_2) - Z_0(x_2)$ is continuous. In addition, assume that

(A2) there exist constants $\eta_0 > 0$, $\eta > 4\lambda Td$ such that

$$\mu_0(e^{\eta_0|Z_0|^2}) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mu_0\left(\sup_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^d} e^{\eta|Z(t, x_1, \cdot)|^2}\right) < \infty.$$

Then,

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} W_1(\mathcal{L}(X_\delta^{(1)}(t), X_\delta^{(2)}(t)), \mathcal{L}(X^{(1)}(t), X^{(2)}(t))) = 0.$$

Introduce a reference process

$$dY(t) = Z_0(Y(t))dt + \sigma dW(t).$$

Then, use $(Y(t))$ to present a new representation of the studied SDE and its EM's approximation:

$$\begin{aligned} dY(t) &= b(t, Y(t))dt + \sigma(dW(t) - \sigma^{-1}b(t, Y(t))dt + \sigma^{-1}Z_0(Y(t))dt) \\ &= b(t, Y(t))dt + \sigma d\widehat{W}_1(t), \end{aligned} \tag{E3}$$

Define a new probability measure

$$Q_1 := \exp \left[\int_0^T \langle \sigma^{-1}(Z(s, Y(s))), dW(s) \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |\sigma^{-1}(Z(s, Y(s)))|^2 ds \right]$$

if

$$\mathbb{E} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |\sigma^{-1}(Z(s, Y(s)))|^2 ds \right] < \infty.$$

Similarly, rewrite

$$dY(t) = b(t_\delta, Y(t_\delta))dt + \sigma d\widehat{W}_2(t), \quad (\text{E4})$$

where

$$\widehat{W}_2(t) = W(t) + \int_0^t \sigma^{-1}(Z_0(Y(s)) - b(s_\delta, Y(s_\delta)))ds, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Define a new probability measure

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q}_2 = \exp & \left[- \int_0^T \langle \sigma^{-1}(Z_0(Y(s)) - b(s_\delta, Y(s_\delta))), dW(s) \rangle \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |\sigma^{-1}(Z_0(Y(s)) - b(s_\delta, Y(s_\delta)))|^2 ds \right] \mathbb{P}, \end{aligned}$$

if

$$\mathbb{E} \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T |\sigma^{-1}(Z_0(Y(s)) - b(s_\delta, Y(s_\delta)))|^2 ds \right] < \infty.$$

Lemma

Let $G : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be a measurable function. If there exists a constant $\eta > 0$ such that $\mu_0(e^{\eta G}) < \infty$, then, for any $\beta, T > 0$,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[e^{\beta \int_0^T G(Y(s)) ds}\right] < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}\left[e^{\beta \int_0^T G(Y(s_\delta)) ds}\right] < \infty.$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} f(X(t)) - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} f(X_{\delta}(t))| &= |\mathbb{E}_{Q_1} f(Y(t)) - \mathbb{E}_{Q_2} f(Y(t))| \\ &= \left| \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} \left\{ f(Y(t)) \left(\frac{dQ_1}{d\mathbb{P}} - \frac{dQ_2}{d\mathbb{P}} \right) \right\} \right| \\ &\leq \|f\|_{\infty} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} \left| \frac{dQ_1}{d\mathbb{P}} - \frac{dQ_2}{d\mathbb{P}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Thank You !

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