

Random ordinary differential equations and their numerical approximation

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Differential equations with noise

Langevin, Smoluchowsky etc used “noisy” differential equations to model the particle dynamics of Brownian motion in the early 1900s:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(t, x) + g(t, x) \eta_t, \quad \text{noise: } \eta_t$$

- Gaussian white noise: many mathematical problems finally resolved by Itô in the 1940s with the introduction of stochastic calculus

⇒ **Stochastic differential equations (SODEs)**

$$dX_t = f(t, X_t) + g(t, X_t) dW_t, \quad \text{Wiener process: } W_t$$

- More regular noise \implies **Random ODEs**

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ be smooth and let ζ_t be an m -dimensional stochastic process with Hölder continuous sample paths.

A random ordinary differential equation (RODE) on \mathbb{R}^d

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(\zeta_t, x)$$

is pathwise an ordinary differential equation (ODE) on \mathbb{R}^d

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = F_\omega(t, x) := f(\zeta_t(\omega), x), \quad \omega \in \Omega.$$

Example of a RODE: $\frac{dx}{dt} = -x + W_t$

The solutions of RODEs have continuously differentiable sample paths and can be handled pathwise using deterministic calculus.

Example of an SODE: $dX_t = -X_t dt + dW_t$

The sample paths of the solutions of SODEs are continuous, but nowhere differentiable

\implies

SODEs require **Ito stochastic calculus**

Remark SODEs are really stochastic integral equations : their representation as differential equations is only symbolic.

- **SODEs can be rewritten as RODEs**

$$dX_t = f(X_t) dt + dW_t \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{dz}{dt} = f(z + O_t) + O_t$$

with an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process O_t satisfying the linear SODE

$$dO_t = -O_t dt + dW_t \quad \text{and} \quad z(t) = X_t - O_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow z(t) = X_t - O_t &= X_0 - O_0 + \int_0^t [f(X_s) + O_s] ds \\ &= z(0) + \int_0^t [f(z(s) + O_s) + O_s] ds \end{aligned}$$

is pathwise differentiable by continuity and the fundamental theorem of calculus. (Doss, Sussmann (1970s), Imkeller, Leder, Schmalzfuss (2000s)).

- **RODEs driven by Itô processes rewritten as SODEs**

Suppose that the stochastic process ζ_t in a RODE

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, \zeta_t)$$

is an **Itô process**, i.e., the solution of an SODE,

$$d\zeta_t = a(\zeta_t) dt + b(\zeta_t) dW_t.$$

These combine to give an SODE

$$d \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(X_t, Y_t) \\ a(Y_t) \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b(Y_t) \end{pmatrix} dW_t$$

Numerical schemes for RODEs

Since the paths of the stochastic process ζ are often at most Hölder continuous, the mapping $t \mapsto F_\omega(t, x) := f(\zeta_t(\omega), x)$ is usually only continuous but not differentiable — no matter how smooth the function f .

★ Classical numerical schemes for ODEs such as Runge-Kutta schemes do not achieve their usual order when applied to RODEs.

★ The solution of a RODE $t \mapsto x(t, \omega)$ is at most continuously differentiable

\Rightarrow **no Taylor expansion!**

Simple numerical schemes for RODES (Grüne & Kloeden (2001))

Traditional numerical methods for ODEs attain at best a low convergence order when applied to RODEs.

For the RODE with ζ_t pathwise Hölder continuous with exponent $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -x + \zeta_t,$$

the **Euler scheme** with step size Δ_n

$$Y_{n+1} = (1 - \Delta_n) Y_n + \zeta_{t_n} \Delta_n$$

has pathwise order $\frac{1}{2}$.

However, the **averaged Euler scheme**

$$Y_{n+1} = (1 - \Delta_n) Y_n + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \zeta_t dt,$$

has pathwise order 1 provided the integral is approximated with Riemann sums

$$\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \zeta_t dt \approx \sum_{j=1}^{J_{\Delta_n}} \zeta_{t_n+j\delta} \delta$$

with the step size δ satisfying $\delta^{1/2} \approx \Delta_n$ and $\delta \cdot J_{\Delta_n} = \Delta_n$.

More generally, for RODEs with an affine structure

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = g(x) + G(x)\zeta_t,$$

where $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ and $G : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^m$, the explicit **averaged Euler scheme**

$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + [g(Y_n) + G(Y_n) I_n] \Delta_n,$$

where

$$I_n := \frac{1}{\Delta_n} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \zeta_s ds \approx \frac{1}{\Delta_n} \sum_{j=1}^{J_{\Delta_n}} \zeta_{t_n+j\delta} \delta.$$

has order pathwise order 1 provided $\delta^{1/2} \approx \Delta_n$ and $\delta \cdot J_{\Delta_n} = \Delta_n$.

Taylor-like expansions for RODEs

(Jentzen & Kloeden (2007))

Replace the process ζ_t by its sample paths $t \mapsto \omega(t)$ with $\omega \in \Omega := C(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

Then the vector field $(\omega, x) \mapsto f(\omega, x)$ has the Taylor expansion

$$f(\omega(s), x(s)) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \partial^\alpha f(\omega_0, x_0) (\Delta \omega_s)^{\alpha_1} (\Delta x_s)^{\alpha_2} + R_{k+1}(s)$$

where $\omega_0 := \omega(t_0)$, $x_0 := x(t_0)$ and

$$\Delta \omega_s := \omega(s) - \omega_0, \quad \Delta x_s := x(s) - x_0,$$

with remainder term $R_{k+1}(s)$ and multi-indices $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2$,

$$|\alpha| := \alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \quad \alpha! := \alpha_1! \alpha_2! .$$

Substituting this into the integral equation version of the RODE gives

$$\Delta x_t = \underbrace{\sum_{|\alpha| \leq k} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \partial^\alpha f(\omega_0, x_0) \int_{t_0}^t (\Delta \omega_s)^{\alpha_1} (\Delta x_s)^{\alpha_2} ds}_{\text{Taylor-like approximation}} + \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^t R_{k+1}(s) ds}_{\text{remainder}}$$

Apply this on subintervals $[t_n, t_{n+1}]$ with step size $h_n = t_{n+1} - t_n$ and discard the remainder.

The simplest case for $k = 0$ and $\alpha = (0, 0)$ gives the Euler scheme

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h_n f(\omega(t_n), y_n).$$

BIG PROBLEM

Higher order Taylor-like approximations are implicit in Δx_t !!!

Resolution: replace Δx_t inside the integral by a lower order approximation, e.g., for $k = 1$ and $\alpha = (0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned}x(t_{n+1}) &\approx x(t_n) + h_n f(\omega(t_n), x(t_n)) + \partial_x f(\omega(t_n), x(t_n)) \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \Delta x_s ds \\ &\approx x(t_n) + h_n f(\omega(t_n), x(t_n)) \\ &\quad + \partial_x f(\omega(t_n), x(t_n)) \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \underbrace{[(s - t_n) f(\omega(t_n), x(t_n))]}_{\text{Euler approximation}} ds\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow $\{(0, 0), (0, 1)\}$ -Taylor numerical scheme

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h_n f(\omega(t_n), y_n) + \frac{1}{2} h_n^2 f(\omega(t_n), y_n) \partial_x f(\omega(t_n), y_n)$$

RODE–Taylor schemes

RODE–Taylor schemes are a family of explicit one–step schemes for RODEs on subintervals $[t_n, t_{n+1}]$ of $[t_0, T]$ with step size, which are derived from the corresponding Taylor–like expansions. Higher order schemes are built up recursively for *sets of multi–indices* of the form

$$\mathcal{A}_K := \{ \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2 : |\alpha|_\theta = \theta\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 < K \},$$

where $K \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $\theta \in (0, 1]$ is the Hölder exponent of the noise process.

It is necessary to distinguish two cases, Case A in which the Hölder estimate of the noise also holds for the supremum θ of the admissible exponents itself and Case B when it does not.

Theorem *The local discretisation error for a RODE–Taylor scheme in Case A satisfies*

$$\left| L_h^{(K)}(\hat{t}, \hat{x}) \right| \leq C_K h^{K+1}$$

for each $0 \leq h \leq 1$, where

$$C_K := \left(e^{\|\omega\|_{\theta} + 2R_K} \right)^{K+1}.$$

In Case B it satisfies

$$\left| L_h^{(K)}(\hat{t}, \hat{x}) \right| \leq C_K^{\varepsilon} \cdot h^{K+1-\varepsilon}$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$ arbitrarily small, where

$$C_K^{\varepsilon} := \left(e^{\|\omega\|_{\gamma_{\varepsilon}} + 2R_K} \right)^{K+1}, \quad \gamma_{\varepsilon} := \theta - \frac{\varepsilon}{(k+1)^2}.$$

global error order = local error order – 1

The 1.5-RODE–Taylor scheme for a **Wiener process**

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf + f_{(1,0)} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \Delta\omega_s ds + \frac{f_{(2,0)}}{2} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} (\Delta\omega_s)^2 ds + f_{(0,1)} f \frac{h^2}{2}$$

corresponds to the index set $\mathcal{A}_{1.5} = \{(0,0), (1,0), (2,0), (0,1)\}$.

The 1.5-RODE–Taylor scheme for a **fractional Brownian motion** with Hurst exponent $H = \frac{3}{4}$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf + f_{(1,0)} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \Delta\omega_s + f_{(0,1)} f \frac{h^2}{2},$$

corresponds to the index set $\mathcal{A}_K = \{(0,0), (1,0), (0,1)\}$.

It omits one of the terms in the above RODE–Taylor scheme for a Wiener process.

- A similar idea is used to construct Taylor expansions for SPDE, see

A. Jentzen and P.E. Kloeden, *Taylor Expansions of Stochastic Partial Differential Equations*, CBMS Lecture series, SIAM, Philadelphia, 2011.

- The schemes obtained above are not optimal, i.e., they may contain more terms than are essential to ensure the given order is attained. Optimal schemes can be obtained by a modified approach, see

A. Jentzen and P.E. Kloeden, Pathwise Taylor schemes for random ordinary differential equations, *BIT* **49** (1) (2009), 113–140.

Numerical schemes for RODEs via SODEs (Asai & Kloeden, 2013)

Suppose that the process ζ_t in the RODE is an Itô process, i.e., the solution of an SODE, so

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, \zeta_t), \quad d\zeta_t = a(\zeta_t) dt + b(\zeta_t) dW_t.$$

⇒ use numerical schemes for SODEs

$$d \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(X_t, Y_t) \\ a(Y_t) \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b(Y_t) \end{pmatrix} dW_t$$

- ★ stochastic Taylor schemes for SODEs that converge in a strong or weak sense (Kloeden & Platen).
- ★ they also converge in a pathwise sense (Kloeden & Neuenkirch (2007)).

A numerical scheme is said to **converge strongly** with order γ if

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\left| X_T - X_{N_T}^{(\Delta)} \right| \right) \leq K_T \Delta^\gamma$$

Theorem Under classical assumptions an Itô-Taylor scheme of strong order $\gamma > 0$ **converges pathwise** with order $\gamma - \epsilon$ for all $\epsilon > 0$, i.e.

$$\sup_{i=0, \dots, N_T} \left| X_{t_n}(\omega) - X_n^{(\Delta)}(\omega) \right| \leq K_{\epsilon, T}^\gamma(\omega) \cdot \Delta^{\gamma - \epsilon}$$

for almost all $\omega \in \Omega$.

P.E. Kloeden and A. Neuenkirch, The pathwise convergence of approximation schemes for stochastic differential equations, *LMS J. Comp. Math.* **10** (2007), 235-253.

★ The classical assumptions require the appropriate partial derivatives of the coefficients to be **globally bounded**.

★ This ensures that all moments exist, so a Borel-Cantelli argument can be used.

⇒ excludes many interesting applications.

- It is not essential for a pathwise analysis of RODEs.
- A similar result applies by a **localisation argument** with stopping times etc when the derivative are only locally bounded.

Y. Asai and P.E. Kloeden, Numerical schemes for random ODEs via stochastic differential equations *Commun.*

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A RODE driven by an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process can be formulated as a SODE

$$d \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ O_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(X_t, O_t) \\ -O_t \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} dW_t$$

The Euler-Maruyama scheme

$$X_{n+1} = X_n + f(X_n, O_n) \Delta_n$$

is, in fact, the same as the Milstein scheme.

- it thus has pathwise order 1.0.

- Higher order step schemes can be derived using strong Itô-Taylor expansions and require multiple stochastic integral terms to achieve a higher order of strong convergence.

$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{X}_n + \sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda_\gamma \setminus \{\emptyset\}} L^\alpha \text{id}_{\mathbf{X}}(t_n, \mathbf{X}_n) I_{\alpha, t_n, t_{n+1}}$$

for hierarchical set Λ_γ of multi-indices, where $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{2}{2}, 2, \dots$

- For the special case of the RODE-SODE pair with the diffusion coefficient function $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{X})$ as above, the differential operators reduce to $L^1 \text{id}_{\mathbf{X}}^k \equiv 0$ for the components of the RODE.

Hence only the multi-indices in the subset

$$\Lambda_\gamma^0 = \{\alpha \in \Lambda_\gamma : \text{the last component } j_l = 0\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$$

of Λ_γ appear in these RODE components of the stochastic Taylor expansion.

The corresponding remainder set is

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_\gamma^0) = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{M} \setminus \Lambda_\gamma^0 : -\alpha \in \Lambda_\gamma^0\}$$

Note that $(j) \in \mathcal{B}(\Lambda_\gamma^0)$ for $j = 1, \dots, m$, since $(j) \notin \Lambda_\gamma^0$ but $-(j) = \emptyset \in \Lambda_\gamma^0$.

Example When $m = 1$ and $\gamma = \frac{3}{2}$, the hierarchical set Λ_γ , $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_\gamma)$, the reduced set Λ_γ^0 and $\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_\gamma^0)$ are given by

$$\Lambda_{\frac{3}{2}} = \{\emptyset, (1), (0), (1, 1), (1, 0), (0, 1), (0, 0), (1, 1, 1)\}$$

$$\Lambda_{\frac{3}{2}}^0 = \{\emptyset, (0), (1, 0), (0, 0)\}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\Lambda_{\frac{3}{2}}^0) = \{(1), (1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 0)\}.$$

The RODE-Taylor scheme of order $\gamma = \frac{3}{2}$ is

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + f(x_n, y_n)\Delta_n + b(y_n)f_y(x_n, y_n) l_{(1,0),n} \\ + \left(f(x_n, y_n)f_x(x_n, y_n) + a(y_n)f_y(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{2}b(y_n)^2f_{yy}(x_n, y_n) \right) \frac{1}{2}\Delta_n^2,$$

since

$$\Lambda_{\frac{3}{2}}^0 = \{\emptyset, (0), (1, 0), (0, 0)\}.$$

This scheme contains the mixed stochastic-deterministic integral

$$l_{(1,0),n} = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \int_{t_n}^t dW_s dt.$$

which is a correlated with $l_{(1),n} = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} dW_s = \Delta W_n$. (Both Gaussian).

Multi-step schemes for Itô RODEs

An Euler-Maruyama type linear k -step method for coupled RODE-SODE is given by

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j \mathbf{X}_{n-j} = h \sum_{j=0}^k \beta_j \mathbf{F}_{n-j} + \Delta W \sum_{j=1}^k \gamma_j \mathbf{G}_{n-j}.$$

where

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{pmatrix} f(x, y) \\ a(y) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{X}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b(y) \end{pmatrix}$$

Since $\mathbf{G}^1 \equiv 0$ its X -component reduces to

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j x_{n-j} = h \sum_{j=0}^k \beta_j f_{n-j}. \quad (1)$$

Typical examples are the Adams-Bashforth and Adams-Moulton methods. In the scalar case, the x -component gives the

- *RODE-Adams-Bashforth 2 scheme*

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \left\{ \frac{3}{2}f(x_n, y_n) - \frac{1}{2}f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \right\} \Delta_n$$

- *RODE-Adams-Moulton-2 scheme*

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \left\{ \frac{5}{12}f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) + \frac{8}{12}f(x_n, y_n) - \frac{1}{12}f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) \right\} \Delta_n.$$

These schemes both have order $\gamma = 1.0$ convergence and coincide with their counterparts in the deterministic case.

A γ -order k -step SLMM has the general form

$$\sum_{j=0}^k C_{\emptyset,j} X_{n-j} = h \sum_{j=0}^k C_{(0),j} f(X_{n-j}, \bar{Y}_{n-j}) \\ + \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda_{\gamma}^0 \setminus \{\emptyset, (0)\}} L^{\alpha} id_{\mathbf{X}}^1(X_{n-j}, \bar{Y}_{n-j}) \left(C_{\alpha,j} l_{\alpha, t_{n-j}} + C_{\alpha,j}^* l_{\alpha-, t_{n-j}} h \right),$$

with the consistency conditions

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^k C_{\emptyset,j} = 0, & \sum_{j=0}^k (k-j) C_{\emptyset,j} = \sum_{j=0}^k C_{(0),j} \\ C_{\alpha,i} = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} C_{\emptyset,j} & \text{for } i = 1, \dots, k, \\ C_{\alpha,i}^* = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \left((k-1-j) C_{\emptyset,j} - C_{(0),j} \right) & \text{for } i = 1, \dots, k. \end{cases}$$

for $\alpha \in \Lambda_{\gamma}^0 \setminus \{\emptyset, (0)\}$.

- Here \bar{Y}_{n-j} is an approximation of Y_t at t_{n-j} by a scheme of high enough order or Y_{t_n} itself when Y_t can be generated exactly.
- The Taylor expansions for the Itô diffusion components of the SODE and other functions of the solutions still require all of the multi-indices in the original hierarchical set Λ_γ .

It is decoupled from the RODE components of the Taylor scheme.

- The scheme reduces to an explicit scheme when $C_{(0),0} = 0$.

By the order conditions this happens when, e.g., the $C_{\alpha,1}^* = 0$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda_\gamma^0 \setminus \{\emptyset, (0)\}$.

- Y. Asai and P.E. Kloeden, Multi-step methods for random ODEs driven by Itô diffusions, *J. Comput. Appl. Math.* **294** (2016), 210-224.

RODEs with affine noise

A scalar RODE with scalar affine noise has the form

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f^0(t, x) + f^1(t, x) \eta_t^1,$$

written in compact integral equation form

$$x(t) = x(t_0) + \sum_{j=0}^1 \int_{t_0}^t f^j(s, x(s)) \eta_s^j ds$$

with a fictitious “noise” component $\eta_t^0 \equiv 1$

It is an ODE if the noise has continuous sample paths and a Carathéodory DE if they are just measurable.

Since the chain rule for such RODEs is analogous to that for Stratonovich SODE, their Taylor expansions are analogous too.

The *affine-RODE-Taylor scheme of order N* for $N = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is defined by

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_N \setminus \{\emptyset\}} id_X^\alpha(t_n, x_n) I_{\alpha, t_n, t_{n+1}} \quad (2)$$

for the hierarchical set of multi-indices

$$\mathcal{A}_N = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{M}_1 : l(\alpha) \leq N\}$$

with the multiple integrals are defined by

$$I_{\alpha, t_n, t_{n+1}} = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \int_{t_n}^{s_1} \cdots \int_{t_n}^{s_l} \zeta^{j_1}(s_1) \cdots \zeta^{j_l}(s_l) ds_1 \cdots ds_l$$

and the coefficient function F_α is defined recursively by

$$F^\alpha = \begin{cases} F & : l(\alpha) = 0 \\ L^{j_1} F^{-\alpha} & : l(\alpha) \geq 1. \end{cases}, \quad (3)$$

for the function $F \equiv id_X$, where the partial differential operators L^0, L^1, \dots, L^m are defined by

$$L^0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \sum_{k=1}^d f^{0,k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}, \quad L^1 = \sum_{k=1}^d f^{j,k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k},$$

Theorem Suppose that noise sample paths are continuous or essentially bounded on bounded time intervals and that all of the derivatives of f^0 and f^1 appearing here exist and are continuous.

Then, the affine-RODE-Taylor scheme (2) has pathwise order of convergence N .

RODEs or SODEs? – fluctuations in a cell fission model

◇ SODE version:

$$d \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(u, v) \\ k_1^1 - k_2(u)v \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} Du \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} dW_t,$$

where

$$f(u, v) = \frac{k_1^1}{G} - [k_2(u) + k_{wee}]u + k_{25}(u) \left(\frac{v}{G} - u \right)$$

with

$$k_2(u) = k_2' + k_2'' u^2$$

$$, \quad k_{25}(u) = k_{25}' + k_{25}'' u^2.$$

◇ RODE version with Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f(u, v) \\ k_1^1 - k_2(u)v \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} Du \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} O_t,$$

R. Steuer, Effects of stochasticity in models of the cell cycle: from quantized cycle times to noise-induced oscillations, *J. Theoret. Biology* **228** (2004) 293–301.

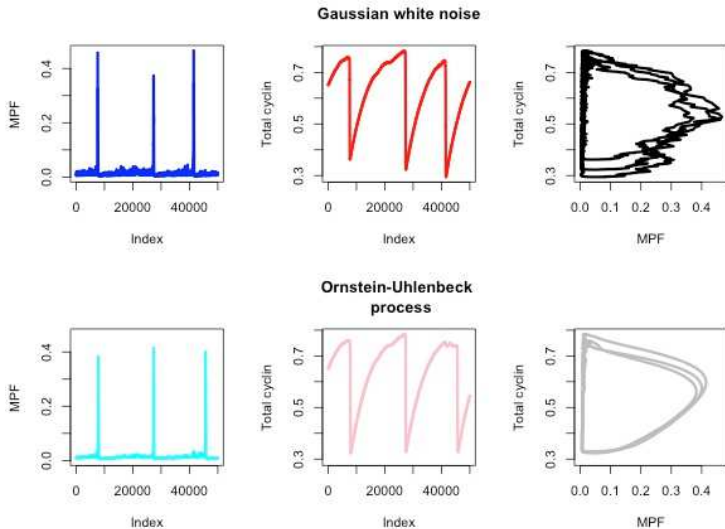


Figure: SODE-Euler-Maruyama and RODE-Euler schemes

Bounded noise

In biological models bounded noise is often more realistic.

It can be introduced by allowing a mass-action parameter to vary randomly within a bounded interval about an idealised value.

Alberto d'Onofrio (editor),

Random Bounded Noises in Physics, Biology, and Engineering,

Birkhäuser, 2013.

Two possibilities, which modify an input noise such as an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process Y_t , are:

- a positive parameter ζ might be replaced by the bounded stochastic process

$$\zeta(Y_t) := \zeta_0 \left(1 - 2\nu \frac{Y_t}{1 + Y_t^2} \right), \quad (4)$$

where ζ_0 and ν are positive constants with $\nu \in (0, 1]$.

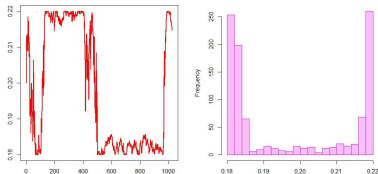


Figure: Switching noise (4) driven by a Wiener process.

The noise here tends to peak around $\zeta_0(1 \pm \nu)$, and is thus suitable for a noisy switching scenario.

- a positive parameter δ might be replaced by the stochastic process

$$\delta(Y_t) := \delta_0 \left(1 - \frac{2\nu}{\pi} \arctan Y_t \right), \quad (5)$$

where δ_0 and ν are positive constants with $\nu \in (0, 1]$.

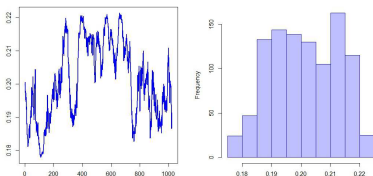


Figure: Centered noise (5) driven by an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process.

The noise then takes values in the interval $(\delta_0(1 - \nu), \delta_0(1 + \nu))$ with the probability density taking its maximum at δ_0 .

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