

Asymptotic Expansions under degeneracy

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Stationary Ergodic Diffusion Model

- **Observations** : $X = (X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$, $\dim(X_t) = d$, Continuous
- **Parameter** : $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$, $\dim(\theta) = p$, Θ : open bounded convex
- **Model** : $dX_t = V_0(X_t, \theta)dt + V(X_t)dw_t$, $X_0 \sim \nu_\theta$
 $V_0 : \mathbb{R}^d \times \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, $V : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \otimes \mathbb{R}^r$
 $w = (w_t)$: r -dimensional standard Wiener process
 ν_θ : stationary distribution with a positive density $\frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}$
- **Log-Likelihood** :
$$\ell(\theta) = \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx} + \int_0^T V_0'(VV')^{-1}(X_t, \theta)dX_t - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T V_0'(VV')^{-1}V_0(X_t, \theta)dt$$
- **Estimator** : $\hat{\theta}_T : (X_t)_{t \in [0, T]} \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_T \in \Theta$
- **Asymptotics** : $T \rightarrow \infty$

Estimation for unknown parameter θ in drift function V_0

□ **Parameter of interest** : $\theta = (\theta^1, \dots, \theta^p) \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$,
 $dX_t = V_0(X_t, \theta)dt + V(X_t)dw_t$, $X_0 \sim \nu_\theta$, $t \in [0, T]$.

□ **True value** : $\theta_0 \in \Theta$.

□ **Conditional MLE** $\hat{\theta}_T^{(c)}$: $\delta_a \ell^{(c)}(\hat{\theta}_T^{(c)}) = 0$, $a = 1, \dots, p$, $\delta_a = \partial/\partial\theta^a$.

$$\ell^{(c)}(\theta) = \int_0^T V_0'(VV')^{-1}(X_t, \theta)dX_t - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T V_0'(VV')^{-1}V_0(X_t, \theta)dt.$$

□ **(Exact) MLE** $\hat{\theta}_T$: $\delta_a \ell(\hat{\theta}_T) = 0$, $a = 1, \dots, p$, $\delta_a = \partial/\partial\theta^a$.

$$\ell(\theta) = \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0) + \ell^{(c)}(\theta).$$

□ **M-estimator** $\hat{\theta}_T^\psi$: $\psi_{a_i}(\hat{\theta}_T^\psi) = 0$, $a = 1, \dots, p$, for an estimating function $\psi = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_p)$.

Literature on distributional expansion for ergodic diffusion

- Second order
 - ◆ Yoshida(1997) : martingale expansion, (global approach)
(conditional) MLE, $d = 1, p = 1$
 - ◆ Sakamoto-Yoshida(1998) : M -estimator, $d = 1, p = 1$,
Numerical studies on (conditional) MLE for OU, etc
 - ◆ Uchida-Yoshida(2001), (Mykland(1992, 1993))
- Third or higher order
 - ◆ Kusuoka-Yoshida(2000) : ϵ -Markov mixing, (local approach)
Diffusion functional having stoch. exp. , arbitrary d, p
 - ◆ S-Y(1998) : third order MLE, arbitrary d, p
 - ◆ S-Y(1999) : representation of expansion,
third order M -estimator, arbitrary d, p
 - ◆ S-Y(2000) : under degeneracy
 - ◆ Sakamoto(2000), Kutoyants-Yoshida(2001)

Second order expansion of MLE for univariate ergodic diffusion

Theorem 1 (Yoshida(P. T. R. F., 1997)). For any $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$, Let $X = (X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ be a one-dimensional stationary ergodic diffusion process satisfying $dX_t = V_0(X_t, \theta)dt + dw_t$ with a stationary distribution ν_θ given by

$$\nu_\theta(dx) = \frac{n_\theta(x)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n_\theta(u)du} dx, \quad n_\theta(x) = \exp\left(\int_0^x 2V_0(u, \theta)du\right).$$

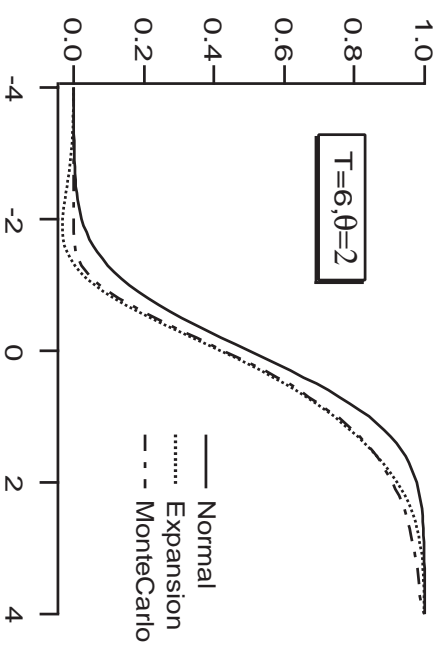
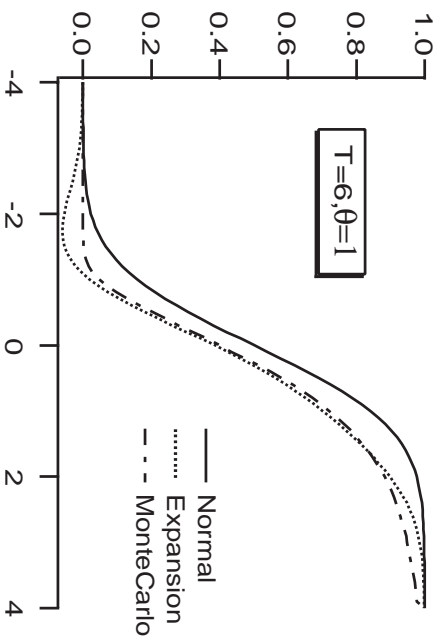
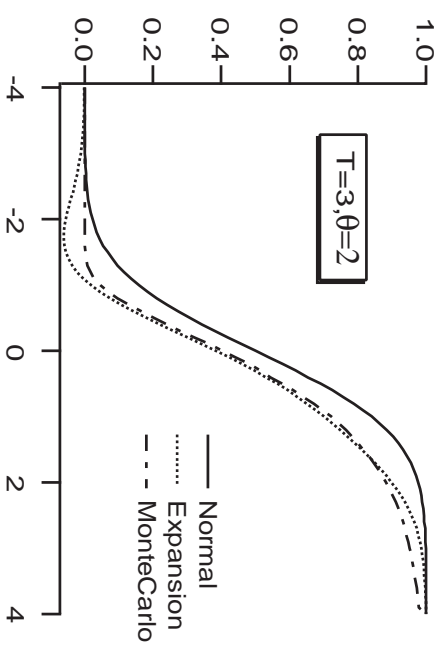
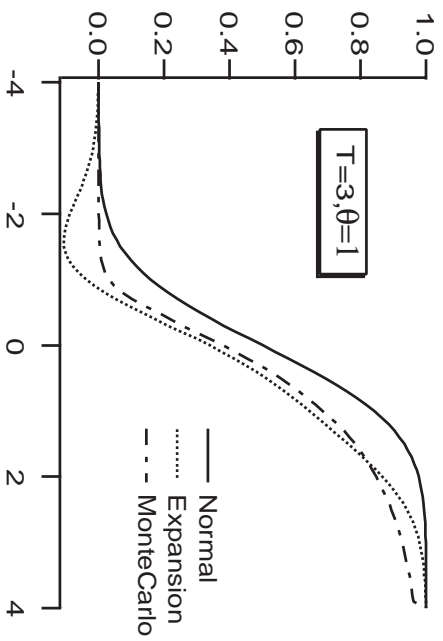
Suppose that $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \partial_x V_0(x, \theta_0) < 0$ and that $|\delta^l \partial^j V_0(x, \theta)| \leq C_{j,l}(1 + |x|^{C_{j,l}})$, $\forall x, \theta$. Then it holds that

$$P(\sqrt{IT}(\hat{\theta}_T^{(c)} - \theta_0) \leq x) = \Phi(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}(A - Bx^2)\phi(x) + \bar{o}(T^{-1/2}),$$

where $I = \nu_{\theta_0}((\delta V_0)^2)$, $A = -\nu_{\theta_0}(\delta V_0 \cdot k)/(2I^{3/2})$, $B = -\{\nu_{\theta_0}(\delta V_0 \cdot \delta^2 V_0) - \nu_{\theta_0}(\delta V_0 \cdot k)\}/(2I^{3/2})$,

$$k = -n_{\theta_0}(x)^{-1} \int_x^\infty 2n_{\theta_0}(u)((\delta V_0(u, \theta_0))^2 - I(\theta_0))du.$$

Numerical study on expansion of $\hat{\theta}_T^{(c)}$ for OU in S-Y (1998)



Third order expansion of MLE for multidimensional diffusion

Theorem 2 (S-Y(1999)). Let M , $\gamma > 0$, and $\hat{\rho} > (\rho^{ab})$. Assume that [L], [DM1], [DM2], [DM3] hold true. For any $\beta \in C_B^2(\Theta)$, let $\hat{\theta}_T^* = \hat{\theta}_T - \beta(\hat{\theta}_T)/T$. Moreover assume that the diffusion process X has the geometrically strong mixing property. Then there exist positive constants $c, \tilde{C}, \tilde{\epsilon}$ such that for any $f \in \mathcal{E}(M, \gamma)$

$$\left| E[f(\sqrt{T}(\hat{\theta}_T^* - \theta))] - \int dy^{(0)} f(y^{(0)}) q_{T,2}(y^{(0)}) \right| \leq cw(f, \tilde{C}T^{-(\tilde{\epsilon}+2)/2}, \tilde{\rho}^{ab}) + o(T^{-1}), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} q_{T,2}(y^{(0)}) = & \phi(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) \left(1 + \frac{1}{6\sqrt{T}} c_{abc}^* h^{abc}(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \rho_{aa'}(\mu^{a'} - \tilde{\beta}^{a'}) h^a(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2T} A_{ab}^* h^{ab}(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) + \frac{1}{24T} c_{abcd}^* h^{abcd}(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{72T} c_{abc}^* c_{def}^* h^{abcde} f(y^{(0)}; \rho^{ab}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Coefficients in asymptotic expansion(1)

$$\rho_{ab} = F_{a,b}, \quad (\rho^{ab}) = (\rho_{ab})^{-1}, \quad c_{abc}^* = -3\Gamma_{ab,c}^{(-1/3)}, \quad \tilde{\beta}^a = \beta^a - \Delta^a, \quad \mu^a = -\frac{1}{2}\rho^{aa'}\rho^{bc}\Gamma_{bc,a'}^{(-1)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{ab}^* = & -\tau_{ab} - \rho^{cd} \left(F_{bcd,a} + F_{ab,cd} - F_{ac,bd} - F_{[a,c],[b,d]} + 2F_{[ab,c],d} + 2F_{[ac,b],d} + 4F_{[b,d],ac} \right. \\ & \left. + F_{[cd,b],a} + 2F_{[[b,c],a],d} + 2F_{[[b,c],d],a} \right) \\ & + \rho^{cd}\rho^{ef} \left(\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{ce,b}^{(-1)}\Gamma_{df,a}^{(-1)} - \Gamma_{ac,e}^{(1)}\Gamma_{bd,f}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{cd,e}^{(-1)}(\Gamma_{ab,f}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{fb,a}^{(-1)}) + \Gamma_{ce,a}^{(-1)}(\Gamma_{bd,f}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{bd,f}^{(-1)}) \right) \\ & + \rho_{aa'}\rho_{bb'}(\mu^{a'} - \tilde{\beta}^{a'}) (\mu^b - \tilde{\beta}^b) + 2\rho_{aa'}(\Delta^c \eta_{c,b}^{*a'} - \delta_b \beta^{a'}), \\ C_{abcd}^* = & -12(F_{[[a,b],c],d} + F_{[a,b],cd} + F_{[ab,c],d}) + 3F_{[a,b],[c,d]} - 4F_{abc,d} \\ & + 12\Gamma_{ab,c}^{(-1/3)}\rho_{dd'}(\tilde{\beta}^{d'} - \mu^{d'}) + 12\rho^{ef}(\Gamma_{ab,e}^{(-1)} + \Gamma_{ae,b}^{(1)})\Gamma_{cf,d}^{(-1)}, \\ \Gamma_{ab,c}^{(\alpha)} = & F_{ab,c} - F_{[a,b],c} + \frac{1-\alpha}{2} \sum_{(ab,c)}^{[3]} F_{[a,b],c}, \quad \eta_{b,c}^{*a} = -\rho^{aa'}(\Gamma_{a'c,b}^{(1)} + \Gamma_{bc,a'}^{(-1)}). \end{aligned}$$

The coefficients c_{abc}^* , A_{ab}^* , c_{abcd}^* , and $\rho_{aa'}(\mu^{a'} - \tilde{\beta}^{a'})$ are functions of F , τ , and Δ .

Coefficients in asymptotic expansion(2)

$$\Delta^a = \rho^{aa'} \nu_{\theta_0} \left(\delta_{a'} \frac{d\nu_{\theta_0}}{dx} \right), \quad \tau_{ab} = \text{COV} \left[\delta_a \frac{d\nu_{\theta_0}}{dx}, \delta_b \frac{d\nu_{\theta_0}}{dx} \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{A_1, A_2} &= \nu_{\theta_0} (B_{A_1} \cdot B_{A_2}), & F_{A_1, [A_2, A_3]} &= \nu_{\theta_0} (B_{A_1} \cdot [B_{A_2} \cdot B_{A_3}]), \\ F_{[A_1, A_2], [A_3, A_4]} &= \nu_{\theta_0} ([B_{A_1} \cdot B_{A_2}] \cdot [B_{A_3} \cdot B_{A_4}]), \\ F_{[[A_1, A_2], A_3], A_4]} &= \nu_{\theta_0} ([[B_{A_1} \cdot B_{A_2}] \cdot B_{A_3}] \cdot B_{A_4}), \end{aligned}$$

where $B(x, \theta) = V_0'(VV')^{-1} V_0(x, \theta)$, $B_A(x, \theta) = \delta_{a_1} \cdots \delta_{a_k} B(x, \theta)$,

$\delta_{a_j} = \partial / \partial \theta^{a_j}$, $A = a_1 \cdots a_k$,

$$[f] = -V' \nabla G_{f-\nu}(f), \quad AG_{f-\nu}(f) = f - \nu(f),$$

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^d V_0^i(x, \theta_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{k=1}^r V_k^i(x) V_k^j(x) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}$$

Third order expansion of MLE for CIR model

$$dX_t = (p - qX_t)dt + r\sqrt{X_t}dw_t, \quad \theta = (p, q), \quad \Theta = \{(p, q) : 2p > r > 0, q > 0\}$$

$$F_{1,1} = \frac{2q}{r^2(2p - r^2)}, \quad F_{1,2} = F_{2,1} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \quad F_{2,2} = \frac{p}{qr^2},$$

$$F_{[1,1],1} = -\frac{4q}{r^2(2p - r^2)^2}, \quad F_{[1,1],2} = \frac{2}{(2p - r^2)}, \quad F_{[1,2],1} = F_{[1,2],2} = 0$$

$$F_{[2,2],1} = \frac{1}{r^2q}, \quad F_{[2,2],2} = -\frac{p}{r^2q^2}, \quad F_{[1,1],[1,1]} = \frac{8q}{r^2(2p - r^2)^3}, \quad F_{[1,1],[1,2]} = 0$$

$$F_{[1,1],[2,2]} = -\frac{2}{r^2(2p - r^2)q}, \quad F_{[1,2],[1,2]} = F_{[1,2],[2,2]} = 0$$

$$F_{[2,2],[2,2]} = \frac{p}{r^2q^3}, \quad F_{[[1,1],[1,1]]} = \frac{8q}{r^2(2p - r^2)^3}, \quad F_{[[1,1],[1,2]]} = -\frac{4}{r^2(2p - r^2)^2}$$

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$$F_{[[2,2],[2],1]} = -\frac{1}{r^2q^2}, \quad F_{[[2,2],[2],2]} = \frac{p}{r^2q^3},$$

$$\Delta^1 = \Delta^2 = 0, \quad \tau_{11} = 4\text{PolyGamma}[1, 1], \quad \tau_{12} = \tau_{21} = \frac{2}{r^2q}, \quad \tau_{22} = \frac{2p}{q^2r^2}.$$

Stochastic Expansion of MLE $\hat{\theta}_T$ ($p = 1$)

- MLE $\hat{\theta}_T$ $\delta \ell_T(\hat{\theta}_T) = 0$, $\delta = \partial/\partial\theta$, : Likelihood eq.
- Third order stochastic expansion

$$\sqrt{T}(\hat{\theta}_T - \theta_0) = S_T(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3) + \frac{1}{T\sqrt{T}}R_3,$$

$$S_T(z_1, z_2, z_3) = z_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \left(z_1 z_2 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{v}_2^{-1} \bar{v}_3 z_1^2 \right) + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{1}{6} (\bar{v}_4 + 3\bar{v}_3^2) z_1^3 + \frac{3}{2} \bar{v}_3 z_1^2 z_2 + z_1 z_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} z_1^2 z_3 \right),$$

where $\bar{v}_2 = -\frac{1}{T} E_{\theta_0} [\delta^2 \ell_T(\theta_0)]$, $\bar{v}_3 = \frac{1}{T} \bar{v}_2^{-1} E_{\theta_0} [\delta^3 \ell_T(\theta_0)]$, $\bar{v}_4 = \frac{1}{T} \bar{v}_2^{-1} E_{\theta_0} [\delta^4 \ell_T(\theta_0)]$,

$$Z_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \bar{v}_2^{-1} \delta \ell_T(\theta_0),$$

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \bar{v}_2^{-1} \left(\delta^2 \ell_T(\theta_0) - E_{\theta_0} [\delta^2 \ell_T(\theta_0)] \right),$$

$$Z_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \bar{v}_2^{-1} \left(\delta^3 \ell_T(\theta_0) - E_{\theta_0} [\delta^3 \ell_T(\theta_0)] \right).$$

Derivation of valid distributional asymptotic expansion

$$\begin{aligned} E[f(\sqrt{T}(\hat{\theta}_T - \theta_0))] &\approx E[f(S_T(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3))], \quad S_T : \text{stoch. exp.}, \quad \Leftarrow (\text{Delta method}) \\ &\approx \int f(S_T(z_1, z_2, z_3)) p_T(z_1, z_2, z_3) dz_1 dz_2 dz_3, \\ &= \int \underbrace{f(z_1 + Q_T(z_1, z_2, z_3)) p_T(z_1, z_2, z_3) dz_1 dz_2 dz_3}_{p_T : \text{valid asymptotic exp. of } (Z_1, Z_2, Z_3)} \\ &\quad \underbrace{S_T = z_1 + Q_T}_{S_T = z_1 + Q_T} \\ &\approx \int (f(z_1) + \partial f(z_1) Q_T + \frac{1}{2} \partial^2 f(z_1) Q_T^2) p_T(z) dz \\ &\quad \Leftarrow (\text{formal}) \text{ Taylor's expansion} \\ &= \int f(z_1) \left((-\partial) \int Q_T p_T dz_2 dz_3 + \frac{1}{2} (-\partial)^2 \int Q_T p_T dz_2 dz_3 \right) dz_1 \\ &\quad \Leftarrow \text{IBP over } \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

For the validity of p_T , the regularity of the distribution of (Z_1, Z_2, Z_3)

- non-degeneracy of covariance matrix
- Cramér type condition
 - non-degeneracy of the Malliavin covariance

Linearly parametrized diffusion model

For this model,

$$dX_t = -\theta m(X_T)dt + dw_t, \quad \theta > 0$$

$$\ell_T(\theta) = \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx} z(X_0) - \theta \int_0^T m(X_t) dX_t - \frac{1}{2} \theta^2 \int_0^T m^2(X_t) dt$$

$$Z_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \left(\delta \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0) - E[\delta \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0)] - \int_0^T m(X_t) dw_t \right) = O_p(1),$$

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \left(\delta^2 \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0) - E[\delta^2 \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0)] - \int_0^T \bar{m}^2(X_t) dt \right) = O_p(1),$$

$$Z_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \left(\delta^3 \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0) - E[\delta^3 \log \frac{d\nu_\theta}{dx}(X_0)] \right) = O_p\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\right),$$

$$\sqrt{T}(\hat{\theta}_T - \theta_0) = S_T(Z_1, Z_2) + \frac{1}{T\sqrt{T}} R'_3,$$

$$S_T(z_1, z_2) = z_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \left(z_1 z_2 + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\nu}_2^{-1} \bar{\nu}_3 z_1^2 \right) + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{1}{6} (\bar{\nu}_4 + 3\bar{\nu}_3^2) z_1^3 + \frac{3}{2} \bar{\nu}_3 z_1^2 z_2 + z_1 z_2^2 \right).$$

Therefore, the previous asymptotic expansion for the general case can be applied if (Z_1, Z_2) admit a third order asymptotic expansion.

Linear and Linearly parametrized diffusion: OU-process

- Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process : $dX_t = -\theta X_t dt + dw_t$, $\theta > 0$.

$$\ell_T(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \log(\theta) - \theta X_0^2 - \theta \int_0^T X_t dX_t - \frac{1}{2} \theta^2 \int_0^T X_t^2 dt,$$

$$Z_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \left(-X_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \int_0^T X_t dw_t \right), \quad Z_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \int_0^T (X_t^2 - \frac{1}{2\theta_0}) dt,$$

$$Z_3 = 0, \quad g = \frac{1}{2\theta_0} + \frac{1}{T} \frac{1}{2\theta_0^2}.$$

Third order stochastic expansion becomes

$$\sqrt{T}(\hat{\theta}_T - \theta_0) = S_T(Z_1, Z_2) + \frac{1}{T} \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} R_3,$$

$$S_T(z_1, z_2) = z_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \left(z_1 z_2 + \frac{1}{2} v_2^{-1} v_3 z_1^2 \right) + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{1}{6} (\bar{v}_4 + 3\bar{v}_3^2) z_1^3 + \frac{3}{2} \bar{v}_3 z_1^2 z_2 + z_1 z_2^2 \right),$$

Can we obtain the valid expansion of (Z_1, Z_2) ?

Degeneracy of stochastic expansion

Itô's formula says that

$$Z_1 - \theta Z_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} g^{-1} \left(-X_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \frac{1}{2} X_T^2 + \frac{1}{2} X_0^2 \right) = o_p(1) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

Z_1 and Z_2 are asymptotically linearly dependent :

$$\underline{\text{Cov}[Z_1, Z_2]} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

□ Decomposition

$$S_T(Z_1, Z_2) = S_T^{(0)}(Z_1) + \frac{1}{T} S_T^{(1)} + \frac{1}{T\sqrt{T}} \tilde{R}_3,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_T^{(0)}(z_1) &= z_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\nu}_3 \right) z_1^2 + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{1}{6} (\bar{\nu}_4 + 3\bar{\nu}_3^2) + \frac{3}{2\theta_0} \bar{\nu}_3 + \frac{1}{\theta_0^2} \right) z_1^3, \\ S_T^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{\theta_0} g^{-1} \left(-X_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \frac{1}{2} X_T^2 + \frac{1}{2} X_0^2 \right) Z_1. \end{aligned}$$

Asymptotic expansion having degenerate component

$$S_T = S_T^{(0)} + u_T S_T^{(1)}, E[f(S_T^{(0)})] = \Psi_T[f] + \bar{o}(u_T), u_T \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

Theorem 3. Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $M > 0$, $\gamma > 0$, $\ell_1 > 0$ and $\ell_2 > 0$ s.t. $m > \gamma/2 + 1$, $\ell_1 \geq \ell_2 - 1$, $\ell_2 \geq (2m + 1) \vee (d + 3)$.

Assume (1) $\forall p > 1$, $\sup_T \|S_T^{(1)}\|_{p, \ell_2} + \sup_T \|S_T^{(0)}\|_{p, \ell_2} < \infty$,

$$(2) \exists S_\infty^{(0)}, S_\infty^{(1)}, (S_T^{(0)}, S_T^{(1)}) \xrightarrow{d} (S_\infty^{(0)}, S_\infty^{(1)}).$$

there exists a functional ξ_T s.t. (3) $\forall p > 1$, $\sup_T \|\xi_T\|_{p, \ell_1} < \infty$,

$$(4) \exists \alpha > 0, P[|\xi_T| > 1/2] = O(u_T^\alpha),$$

$$(5) \forall p > 1, \sup_T E[1_{|\xi_T| < 1} \sigma_{S_T^{(0)}}^{-p}] < \infty.$$

Then for any f satisfying $|f(x)| \leq M(1 + |x|^\gamma)$,

$$E[f(S_T)] = \Psi_T[f] + u_T \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) g_\infty(x) dx + \bar{o}(u_T),$$

where

$$g_\infty(x) = -\partial_x \left(\mathbb{E}[S_\infty^{(1)} \mid S_\infty^{(0)} = x] p^{S_\infty^{(0)}}(x) \right).$$

Rough sketch of the proof

$$\begin{aligned}
E[f(S_T)] &= E[f(S_T^{(0)})] + u_T E[\partial f(S_T^{(0)}) S_T^{(1)}] + u_T^2 \int_0^1 dv (1-v) E[\partial^2 f(S_T^{(0)}) + v u_T S_T^{(1)}] [(S_T^{(1)})^{\otimes 2}] \\
&= \int f(x) \Psi_T(dx) + u_T E[f(S_T^{(0)}) \Phi_1^{S_T^{(0)}}(S_T^{(1)})] + o(u_T) \\
&= \int f(x) \Psi_T(dx) + u_T \int f(x) E[\Phi_1^{S_T^{(0)}}(S_T^{(1)}) | S_T^{(0)}] dx + o(u_T)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
g_T(x) &:= E[\Phi_1^{S_T^{(0)}}(S_T^{(1)}) | S_T^{(0)} = x] p^{S_T^{(0)}}(x) \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} \int e^{iu\tilde{x}} E[\Phi_1^{S_T^{(0)}}(S_T^{(1)}) | S_T^{(0)} = \tilde{x}] p^{S_T^{(0)}}(\tilde{x}) d\tilde{x} du \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} E[e^{iuS_T^{(0)}} X_T \Phi_1^{S_T^{(0)}}(S_T^{(1)})] du = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} E[iu e^{iuS_T^{(0)}} S_\infty^{(1)}] du \\
&\quad \mapsto \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} \mathbb{E}[iu e^{iuS_\infty^{(0)}} S_\infty^{(1)}] du \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} \int \partial_{\tilde{x}} e^{iu\tilde{x}} \mathbb{E}[S_\infty^{(1)} | S_\infty^{(0)} = \tilde{x}] p^{S_\infty^{(0)}}(\tilde{x}) d\tilde{x} du \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int e^{-iux} \int e^{iu\tilde{x}} \left(-\partial_{\tilde{x}} \mathbb{E}[S_\infty^{(1)} | S_\infty^{(0)} = \tilde{x}] p^{S_\infty^{(0)}}(\tilde{x}) \right) d\tilde{x} du = g_\infty(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Validity of the formal expansion for OU-process

Mixing property of OU implies that X_0, X_T, Z_1 are mutually asymptotically independent, and therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} S_T^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{\theta_0}g^{-1} \left(-X_0^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \frac{1}{2}X_T^2 + \frac{1}{2}X_0^2 \right) Z_1 \\ &\stackrel{d}{\Rightarrow} -\frac{1}{\theta_0}g^{-1} \left(-\xi_1^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \frac{1}{2}\xi_2^2 + \frac{1}{2}\xi_1^2 \right) S_\infty^{(0)} =: S_\infty^{(1)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\xi_1, \xi_2, S_\infty^{(0)}$ are independent and $\xi_1, \xi_2 \sim \nu$ (stationary dist.). This yields

$$\mathbb{E}[S_\infty^{(1)} | S_\infty^{(0)}] = -\frac{1}{\theta_0}g^{-1} S_\infty^{(0)} \mathbb{E} \left[-\xi_1^2 + \frac{1}{2\theta_0} - \frac{1}{2}\xi_2^2 + \frac{1}{2}\xi_1^2 \right] = 0.$$

In this way, the asymptotic expansion of MLE coincides with that of $S_T^{(0)}$. Consequently, the formal expansion for general diffusion is valid in the exceptional case(OU-process).