

Stratified Regression Monte Carlo method for BSDEs and GPU implementation

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STRUCTURE OF THE TALK

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2. Usual Regression Monte Carlo methods **[G'-Turkedjiev, Math Comp 2015]**
 - ✓ Algorithm
 - ✓ Error estimates
 - ✓ Stronger implementation constraint: memory
3. Stratified version
 - ✓ Randomization and norms equivalence
 - ✓ Error estimates
 - ✓ Complexity and memory analysis
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1) BSDE SETTING

Standard BSDE with *fixed terminal time T*:

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = \xi + \int_t^T \mathbf{f}(s, \mathbf{Y}_s, \mathbf{Z}_s) ds - \int_t^T \mathbf{Z}_s d\mathbf{W}_s,$$

- ✓ driving noise = Brownian Motion W
- ✓ Lipschitz driver f , terminal condition $\xi \in L_2$
- ✓ Markovian BSDE: $f(s, \omega, y, z) = f(s, X_s, y, z)$ and $\xi = g(X_T)$ for a diffusion X with coefficients (b, σ)
- ✓ Non-linear pricing in finance

Multidimensional unknown: $X \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $Y \in \mathbb{R}$, $Z \in \mathbb{R}^q$.

Markovian BSDE: $\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{X}_t) \dots$

Approximation/simulation in 2 stages:

1. time-discretization (numerous works under rather general settings)
2. solving the dynamic programming equation (nested cond. expect., few works)

$$\text{TIME DISCRETIZATION OF } Y_t = \xi + \int_t^T f(s, Y_s, Z_s) ds - \int_t^T Z_s dW_s$$

Discretization along *equidistant* time grid $\pi := \{0 = t_0 < \dots < t_N = T\}$:

- ✓ $(i+1)$ -th time-step is $\Delta_i = t_{i+1} - t_i = T/N$;
- ✓ related Brownian motion increments $\Delta W_i := W_{t_{i+1}} - W_{t_i}$.

Heuristic derivation

From $Y_{t_i} = Y_{t_{i+1}} + \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f(s, X_s, Y_s, Z_s) ds - \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} Z_s dW_s$, we derive

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{t}_i} = \mathbb{E}(Y_{t_{i+1}} + \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f(s, X_s, Y_s, Z_s) ds | \mathcal{F}_{t_i})$$

$$\approx \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{t}_{i+1}} + \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{t}_i, \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{t}_i}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{t}_{i+1}}, \mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{t}_i}) \Delta_i | \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{t}_i}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{t}_i} \Delta_i &\approx \mathbb{E}\left(\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} Z_s ds | \mathcal{F}_{t_i}\right) = \mathbb{E}([Y_{t_{i+1}} + \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} f(s, X_s, Y_s, Z_s) ds] \Delta W_i^\top | \mathcal{F}_{t_i}) \\ &\approx \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{t}_{i+1}} \Delta \mathbf{W}_i^\top | \mathcal{F}_{\mathbf{t}_i}) \quad (\text{where } {}^\top \text{ denotes the transpose}). \end{aligned}$$

Dynamic programming equations

★ One-step forward Dynamic Programming equation

$$\begin{cases} Y_i &= \mathbb{E}_i (Y_{i+1} + f_i(Y_{i+1}, Z_i) \Delta_i), \quad 0 \leq i < N, \quad Y_N = \xi. \\ \Delta_i Z_i &= \mathbb{E}_i (Y_{i+1} \Delta W_i^\top), \quad 0 \leq i < N. \end{cases} \quad (\text{ODP})$$

- ✓ X could be approximated by a path-wise approximation (e.g. Euler scheme)
- ✓ For f and g Lipschitz, the L_2 -error is of order $N^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

★ Multi-Step forward Dynamic Programming equation:

$$\begin{cases} Y_i &= \mathbb{E}_i \left(\xi + \sum_{k=i}^{N-1} f_k(Y_{k+1}, Z_k) \Delta_k \right), \\ \Delta_i Z_i &= \mathbb{E}_i \left([\xi + \sum_{k=i+1}^{N-1} f_k(Y_{k+1}, Z_k) \Delta_k] \Delta W_i^\top \right). \end{cases} \quad (\text{MDP})$$

- ✓ Without extra approximation, $\text{ODP} \iff \text{MDP}$.
- ✓  Differences occur when conditional expectations are approximated: $\text{MDP} > \text{ODP}$

2) USUAL REGRESSION MONTE CARLO METHOD

- ✓ Markovian representations: $Y_i = y_i(X_i)$ and $Z_i = z_i(X_i)$
- ✓ Computations of y and z on approximation spaces $\mathcal{F}_i^Y, \mathcal{F}_i^Z$ (finite dimensional vector spaces)
- ✓ N independent learning samples: at time i , $[(X_j^{i,m})_{0 \leq j \leq N}, \Delta W_i^{i,m}]_{1 \leq m \leq M}$.
- Initialization : for $i = N$ take $y_N^{\mathcal{F},M}(\cdot) = g(\cdot)$.
- Iteration : for $i = N - 1, \dots, 0$, solve the empirical least-squares problems

$$z_i^{\mathcal{F},M} = \operatorname{arginf}_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_i^Z} \sum_{m=1}^M \left| \left[g(X_N^{i,m}) + \sum_{j \geq i+1} f(t_j, X_j^{i,m}, y_{j+1}^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_{j+1}^{i,m}), z_j^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_j^{i,m})) \Delta_j \right] \frac{\Delta W_i^{i,m}}{\Delta_i} - \varphi(X_i^{i,m}) \right|^2,$$

$$y_i^{\mathcal{F},M} = \operatorname{arginf}_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_i^Y} \sum_{m=1}^M \left| g(X_N^{i,m}) + \sum_{j \geq i} f(t_j, X_j^{i,m}, y_{j+1}^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_{j+1}^{i,m}), z_j^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_j^{i,m})) \Delta_j - \varphi(X_i^{i,m}) \right|^2.$$

- ✓ Apply soft thresholding with explicit constants.

Theorem (Non asymptotic error estimates). $\exists C$ (explicit) s.t.

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\|y_i^{\mathcal{F}, M}(\cdot) - y_i(\cdot)\|_{i,M}^2 \right] \leq C \inf_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_i^Y} \mathbb{E} |\varphi(X_i) - y_i(X_i)|^2 + C \frac{\dim(\mathcal{F}_i^Y)}{M} + C \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathcal{E}(j) \Delta_j,$$

$$\sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\|z_j^{\mathcal{F}, M}(\cdot) - z_j(\cdot)\|_{j,M}^2 \right] \Delta_j \leq C \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathcal{E}(j) \Delta_j,$$

$$\mathcal{E}(j) := \inf_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_j^Y} \mathbb{E} |\varphi(X_j) - y_j(X_j)|^2 + \inf_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_j^Z} \mathbb{E} |\varphi(X_j) - z_j(X_j)|^2 + \left(\dim(\mathcal{F}_j^Y) + \frac{\dim(\mathcal{F}_j^Z)}{\Delta_j} \right) \frac{\log(M)}{M}.$$

- 😊 Estimates are sharp
- 😊 Explicit error bounds, robust w.r.t. the model
- 🤔 Simulation effort: $\mathbf{M} \geq \Delta_i^{-1} \max(\mathbf{N} \dim(\mathcal{F}_i^Z), \dim(\mathcal{F}_i^Y))$
- 🤔 Memory effort: $\max \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \dim(\mathcal{F}_i^Z) + \dim(\mathcal{F}_i^Y), \mathbf{NM} \right) = \mathbf{NM}$
- 🤔 In this form, no clear parallelization
- ✓ **Optimal parameters:** L_2 -error = Computational Cost $\sim \frac{1}{8 + \frac{\text{dimension}}{\text{smoothness of } z}}$.

3) STRATIFICATION

Two objectives:

- ✓ Relaxing the requirement on M
- ✓ Allowing parallel computations

First choice: local approximations

- ✓ partition of the state space \mathbb{R}^d in strata \Rightarrow finite number of disjoint sets $(\mathcal{H}_k)_k$
- ✓ on each set \mathcal{H}_k , (local) polynomial
 - ▶ **LP0**: piecewise constant approximation
 - ▶ **LP1**: linear approximation
- ✓ function spaces $\mathcal{L}_{Y,k}, \mathcal{L}_{Z,k}$ of dimension 1 or $d + 1$
- ✓ to get a statistical error of order N^{-1} , only N^2 simulations in \mathcal{H}_k are required

Second choice: stratified simulations and regressions

- ✓ $\nu =$ probability distribution on \mathbb{R}^d
- ✓ $\nu_k =$ restriction of ν to \mathcal{H}_k
 - ◊ one should be able to simulate according to ν_k
- ✓ In our test: take \mathcal{H}_k as hypercube and ν with independent coordinates, having the logistic distribution (1d-CDF is $F_\mu(x) = e^{\mu x}/(1 + e^{\mu x})$)
- ✓ At each date t_i and each stratum \mathcal{H}_k , draw M simulations according to ν_k and start independent M diffusion/Euler scheme from these M points.

$$z_i^{\mathcal{F},M} \Big|_{\mathcal{H}_k} = \operatorname{arginf}_{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{Z,k}} \sum_{m=1}^M \left| \left[g(X_N^{i,k,m}) + \sum_{j \geq i+1} f(t_j, X_j^{i,k,m}, y_{j+1}^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_{j+1}^{i,k,m}), z_j^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_j^{i,k,m})) \Delta_j \right] \right. \\ \times \left. \frac{\Delta W_i^{i,k,m}}{\Delta_i} - \varphi(X_i^{i,k,m}) \right|^2,$$

$$y_i^{\mathcal{F},M} \Big|_{\mathcal{H}_k} = \operatorname{arginf}_{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{Y,k}} \sum_{m=1}^M \left| g(X_N^{i,k,m}) + \sum_{j \geq i} f(t_j, X_j^{i,k,m}, y_{j+1}^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_{j+1}^{i,k,m}), z_j^{\mathcal{F},M}(X_j^{i,k,m})) \Delta_j - \varphi(X_i^{i,k,m}) \right|^2.$$



This can be done in parallel on different processors.

CONVERGENCE ANALYSIS

To allow the control of errors propagation, one should wonder whether

$$X_j^{i,\nu} \stackrel{d}{=} X_j^{j,\nu} (= \nu) ?$$

- ✓ In general NO, since ν is not a stationary distribution and X is not ergodic
- ✓ But, under mild assumptions on b and σ ,

$$\mathbb{E} \left(|\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{X}_j^{i,\nu})|^2 \right) \leqslant_c \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})|^2 \nu(d\mathbf{x}), \quad \text{for any } \mathbf{h},$$

with a constant c uniform in $0 \leq i \leq j \leq N$.

Property called **USES** (Uniform Sub Exponential Sandwiching): very useful (see Importance Sampling scheme for BSDE, G'-Turkedjiev 2015).

Theorem (Error estimates for LP0 and LP1 spaces). For some explicit constant C , one has

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |y_i^{\mathcal{F}, M}(x) - y_i(x)|^2 \nu(dx) \right] \leq C \mathcal{E}(i) + C \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathcal{E}(j) \Delta_j,$$

$$\sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |z_j^{\mathcal{F}, M}(x) - z_j(x)|^2 \nu(dx) \right] \Delta_j \leq C \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} \mathcal{E}(j) \Delta_j,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(j) &:= \sum_k \nu(\mathcal{H}_k) \inf_{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{Y,k}} \int_{\mathcal{H}_k} |\varphi(x) - y_j(x)|^2 \nu_k(dx) \\ &\quad + \sum_k \nu(\mathcal{H}_k) \inf_{\varphi \in \mathcal{L}_{Z,k}} \int_{\mathcal{H}_k} |\varphi(x) - z_j(x)|^2 \nu_k(dx) + \frac{\log(M)}{\Delta_j M}. \end{aligned}$$

Better dependency on M .

STRATIFIED ALGORITHM (SRMDP) VS NON-STRATIFIED (LSMDP)

Algorithm	Number of simulations		Computational cost	
	LP0	LP1	LP0	LP1
SRMDP	N^2	N^2	$N^{4+d/2}$	$N^{4+d/4}$
LSMDP	$N^{2+d/2}$	$N^{2+d/4}$	$N^{4+d/2}$	$N^{4+d/4}$

Comparison of numerical parameters as a function of N .

Algorithm	LP0	LP1
SRMDP	$N^{1+d/2}$	$N^{1+d/4} \vee N^2$
LSMDP	$N^{2+d/2}$	$N^{2+d/4}$

Comparison of shared memory requirement as a function of N .



Recall that LSMDP can not take advantage of parallel architecture.

4) NUMERICAL TESTS

Define the function $\omega(t, x) = \exp(t + \sum_{j=1}^d x_j)$.

We perform numerical experiments on the BSDE with data

- ✓ $g(x) = \omega(T, x)(1 + \omega(T, x))^{-1}$
- ✓ $f(t, x, y, z) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^d z_j\right) \left(y - \frac{2+d}{2d}\right)$

Explicit solution:

$$y_i(x) = \omega(t_i, x)(1 + \omega(t_i, x))^{-1}, \quad z_{j,i}(x) = \omega(t_i, x)(1 + \omega(t_i, x))^{-2}.$$

Computer:

- ✓ GPU GeForce GTX TITAN Black with 6 GBytes of global memory
- ✓ Intel Xeon CPU E5-2620 v2 clocked at 2.10 GHz with 62 GBytes of RAM,
CentOS Linux, NVIDIA CUDA SDK 7.0 and GNU C compiler 4.8.2.
- ✓ 256×64 threads configuration

$$MSE_{Y,\max} := \ln \left\{ 10^{-3} \max_{0 \leq i \leq N-1} \sum_{m=1}^{10^3} |y_i(R_{i,m}) - y_i^{\mathcal{F},M}(R_{i,m})|^2 \right\},$$

$$MSE_{Y,\text{av}} := \ln \left\{ 10^{-3} N^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^{10^3} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} |y_i(R_{i,m}) - y_i^{\mathcal{F},M}(R_{i,m})|^2 \right\},$$

$$MSE_{Z,\text{av}} := \ln \left\{ 10^{-3} N^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^{10^3} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} |z_i(R_{i,m}) - z_i^{\mathcal{F},M}(R_{i,m})|^2 \right\}.$$

★ $d = 4$, LP0

Δ_t	#CUBES	M	$MSE_{Y,\max}$	$MSE_{Y,\text{av}}$	$MSE_{Z,\text{av}}$	CPU	GPU
0.2	8	25	-3.712973	-3.774071	-0.964842	1.74	2.00
0.1	12	100	-4.066741	-4.303750	-1.607104	112.64	2.20
0.05	17	400	-4.337988	-4.698645	-2.302092	6462.19	12.39
0.02	28	2500	-4.472564	-4.988069	-3.225411		3070.92

★ $d = 6$, LP0

Δ_t	#CUBES	M	$MSE_{Y,\max}$	$MSE_{Y,\text{av}}$	$MSE_{Z,\text{av}}$	CPU	GPU
0.2	4	25	-2.707882	-2.784022	-0.477751	2.52	1.94
0.1	6	100	-3.195937	-3.294488	-1.133834	374.19	2.44
0.05	8	400	-3.505867	-3.664396	-1.795697	29172.89	52.20

★ $d = 12$, LP1

Δ_t	#CUBES	M	$MSE_{Y,\max}$	$MSE_{Y,\text{av}}$	$MSE_{Z,\text{av}}$	CPU	GPU
0.2	2	2000	-3.111153	-3.232051	-1.297737	646.55	10.03
0.2	3	4000	-3.214096	-3.272644	-1.821935		2086.94

★ $d = 16$, LP1

Δ_t	#CUBES	M	$MSE_{Y,\max}$	$MSE_{Y,\text{av}}$	$MSE_{Z,\text{av}}$	CPU	GPU
0.2	2	6000	-2.795353	-2.959375	-1.588716	45587.17	669.28