

Ninomiya-Victoir scheme: strong convergence, antithetic version and application to multilevel estimators

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- We are interested in the computation, by Monte Carlo methods, of the expectation $Y = \mathbb{E}[f(X_T)]$, where $X = (X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is the solution to a multidimensional stochastic differential equation (SDE) and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ a given function such that $\mathbb{E}[f(X_T)^2] < +\infty$.
- We will focus on minimizing the computational complexity subject to a given target error $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$.
- To measure the accuracy of an estimator \hat{Y} , we will consider the root mean squared error:

$$RMSE(\hat{Y}; Y) = \mathbb{E}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[|Y - \hat{Y}|^2 \right]. \quad (1)$$

We consider a general Itô-type SDE of the form

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = b(X_t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^j(X_t)dW_t^j \\ X_0 = x \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where:

- $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
- $(X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a n -dimensional stochastic process,
- $W = (W^1, \dots, W^d)$ is a d -dimensional standard Brownian motion,
- $b, \sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ are Lipschitz continuous.

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Standard Monte Carlo Method

The standard Monte Carlo method consists in:

- discretizing the SDE, using a numerical scheme X^N , with $N \in \mathbb{N}^*$ steps,
- approximating the expectation using $M \in \mathbb{N}^*$ independent path simulations.

To be clear, the crude Monte Carlo estimator is given by

$$\hat{Y}_{CMC} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^M f(X_T^{N,k}) \quad (3)$$

where $X^{N,k}$ are independent copies of a numerical scheme X^N .

Complexity analysis

Bias

$$B\left(\hat{Y}_{CMC}; Y\right) = \mathbb{E}\left[\hat{Y}_{CMC}\right] - Y = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T^N\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T\right)\right]. \quad (4)$$

The bias is related to the weak error of the scheme:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T^N\right) - f\left(X_T\right)\right] = \frac{c_1}{N^\alpha} + o\left(\frac{1}{N^\alpha}\right). \quad (5)$$

Variance

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\hat{Y}_{CMC}\right] = \frac{1}{M}\mathbb{V}\left[f\left(X_T^N\right)\right]. \quad (6)$$

Cost

$$C_{CMC} = C \times M \times N = O\left(\epsilon^{-(2+\frac{1}{\alpha})}\right). \quad (7)$$

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The Multilevel Monte Carlo

The main idea of this technique is to use the following telescopic summation to control the bias:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[f \left(X_T^{2^L} \right) \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[f \left(X_T^1 \right) \right] + \sum_{l=1}^L \mathbb{E} \left[f \left(X_T^{2^l} \right) - f \left(X_T^{2^{l-1}} \right) \right].$$

Then, a generalized multilevel Monte Carlo estimator is built as follows:

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC} = \sum_{l=0}^L \frac{1}{M_l} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l} Z_k^l \quad (8)$$

where $(Z_k^l)_{0 \leq l \leq L, 1 \leq k \leq M_l}$ are independent random variables such that:

$$\mathbb{E} [Z^0] = \mathbb{E} [f(X_T^1)] \quad (9)$$

and:

$$\forall l \in \{1, \dots, L\}, \mathbb{E} [Z^l] = \mathbb{E} \left[f \left(X_T^{2^l} \right) - f \left(X_T^{2^{l-1}} \right) \right]. \quad (10)$$

Bias

$$B\left(\hat{Y}_{MLMC}; Y\right) = \mathbb{E}\left[\hat{Y}_{MLMC}\right] - Y = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T^{2^L}\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T\right)\right]. \quad (11)$$

The bias is related to the weak error of the scheme:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\left(X_T^{2^L}\right) - f\left(X_T\right)\right] = \frac{c_1}{2^{\alpha L}} + o\left(\frac{1}{2^{\alpha L}}\right). \quad (12)$$

Variance

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\hat{Y}_{MLMC}\right] = \sum_{l=0}^L \frac{1}{M_l} \mathbb{V}\left[Z^l\right]. \quad (13)$$

Cost and canonical exemple

Cost

For a given discretization level $l \in \{0, \dots, L\}$, the computational cost of simulating one sample Z^l is $C\lambda_l 2^l$, where:

- $C \in \mathbb{R}_+$ is a constant, depending only on the discretization scheme,
- $\forall l \in \mathbb{N}, \lambda_l \in \mathbb{Q}_+^*$ is a weight, depending only on l ,

$$C_{MLMC} = C \sum_{l=0}^L M_l \lambda_l 2^l. \quad (14)$$

Natural choice for $Z^l, l \in \{0, \dots, L\}$

$$Z^0 = f(X_T^1) \quad (15)$$

$$Z^l = f(X_T^{2^l}) - f(X_T^{2^{l-1}}), \forall l \in \{1, \dots, L\}. \quad (16)$$

For this canonical choice, it is natural to take $\lambda_0 = 1$ and $\lambda_l = \frac{3}{2}$.

Theorem (Complexity theorem (Giles))

Assume that $\exists (\alpha, c_1) \in \mathbb{R}_+^* \times \mathbb{R}^*$ and $\exists (\beta, c_2) \in (\mathbb{R}_+^*)^2$ such that $\forall l \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[f \left(X_T^{2^l} \right) \right] - Y = \frac{c_1}{2^{\alpha l}} + o \left(\frac{1}{2^{\alpha l}} \right) \quad (17)$$

and

$$\mathbb{V} \left[Z^l \right] = \frac{c_2}{2^{\beta l}} + o \left(\frac{1}{2^{\beta l}} \right). \quad (18)$$

Then, the optimal complexity is given by:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O(\epsilon^{-2}) & \text{if } \beta > 1, \\ \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2} \left(\log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)^2\right) & \text{if } \beta = 1, \\ \mathcal{C}_{MLMC}^* = O\left(\epsilon^{-2 + \frac{\beta-1}{\alpha}}\right) & \text{if } \beta < 1. \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

Optimal parameters

Optimal parameters

$$L^* = \left\lceil \frac{\log_2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}|c_1|}{\epsilon} \right)}{\alpha} \right\rceil \quad (20)$$

$$M_0^* = \left\lceil \frac{2}{\epsilon^2} \sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{V}[Z^0]}{\lambda_0}} \left(\sqrt{\lambda_0 \mathbb{V}[Z^0]} + \sum_{l=1}^{L^*} \sqrt{c_2 \lambda_l 2^{l(1-\beta)}} \right) \right\rceil \quad (21)$$

$$\forall l \in \{1, \dots, L^*\}, M_l^* = \left\lceil \frac{2}{\epsilon^2} \sqrt{\frac{c_2}{\lambda_l 2^{l(\beta+1)}}} \left(\sqrt{\lambda_0 \mathbb{V}[Z^0]} + \sum_{l=1}^{L^*} \sqrt{c_2 \lambda_l 2^{l(1-\beta)}} \right) \right\rceil. \quad (22)$$

Regression

One can estimate $(\alpha, \beta, c_1, c_2)$ by using a regression:

$$\mathbb{V}[Z^l] \sim \frac{c_2}{2^{\beta l}} \quad (23)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Z^l] \sim \frac{c_1(1-2^\alpha)}{2^{\alpha l}}. \quad (24)$$

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Stratonovich form

Assuming \mathcal{C}^1 regularity for diffusion coefficients $\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d$, the Itô-type SDE can be written in Stratonovich form:

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = \sigma^0(X_t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^j(X_t) \circ dW_t^j \\ X_0 = x \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

where $\sigma^0 = b - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d \partial \sigma^j \sigma^j$ and $\partial \sigma^j$ is the Jacobian matrix of σ^j defined as follows

$$\partial \sigma^j = ((\partial \sigma^j)_{ik})_{i,k \in \llbracket 1;n \rrbracket} = (\partial_{x_k} \sigma^{ij})_{i,k \in \llbracket 1;n \rrbracket}. \quad (26)$$

The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

Notations

- $(t_k = k\frac{T}{N})_{k \in \llbracket 0; N \rrbracket}$ is the subdivision of $[0, T]$.
- $\eta^N = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_N)$ is a sequence of independent, identically distributed Rademacher random variables independent of W .
- $\forall j \in \{1, \dots, d\}, \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^j = W_{t_{k+1}}^j - W_{t_k}^j$.
- For $j \in \{0, \dots, d\}$ and $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, let $(\exp(t\sigma^j)x_0)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ solve the ODE

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \sigma^j(x(t)) \\ x(0) = x_0. \end{cases}$$

Scheme

If $\eta_{k+1} = 1$

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV, N, \eta^N} = \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^d \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV, N, \eta^N}$$

and if $\eta_{k+1} = -1$

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV, N, \eta^N} = \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^d \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{T}{2N}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV, N, \eta^N}.$$

Order 2 of weak convergence

Denoting by $(X_t^x)_{t \geq 0}$ the solution to the SDE starting from $X_0^x = x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, for $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ smooth, $u(t, x) = \mathbb{E}[f(X_t^x)]$ solves the Feynman-Kac PDE

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) = Lu(t, x), & (t, x) \in [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n \\ u(0, x) = f(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

with $L = b \cdot \nabla_x + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d)(\sigma^1, \dots, \sigma^d)^* \nabla_x^2] = \sigma^0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^d (\sigma^j)^2$ the infinitesimal generator.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Lu = L \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u = L^2 u$$

$$\text{and } u(t_1, x) = f(x) + t_1 Lf(x) + \frac{t_1^2}{2} L^2 f(x) + \mathcal{O}(t_1^3).$$

Ninomiya and Victoir have designed their scheme so that

$$\mathbb{E}[f(X_{t_1}^{NV, N, \eta^N})] = f(x) + t_1 Lf(x) + \frac{t_1^2}{2} L^2 f(x) + \mathcal{O}(t_1^3).$$

One step error $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N^3}) \xrightarrow{N^{\text{steps}}} \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{N^2})$ global error.

Order 1/2 of strong convergence

Theorem (Strong convergence)

Assume that the vector fields, $b, \forall j \in \{1, \dots, d\}, \sigma^j$ and $\partial \sigma^j \sigma^j$ are Lipschitz continuous functions. Then: $\forall p \geq 1, \exists C_{NV} \in \mathbb{R}_+, \forall N \in \mathbb{N}^*$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\max_{0 \leq k \leq N} \left\| X_{t_k} - X_{t_k}^{NV, N, \eta^N} \right\|^{2p} \middle| \eta \right] \leq \frac{C_{NV}}{N^p}. \quad (27)$$

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The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme: antithetic version

We consider two grids: a coarse grid with time step $h_{l-1} = \frac{T}{2^{l-1}}$, a fine grid with time step $h_l = \frac{T}{2^l}$ and we introduce some notations:

- $\forall k \in \{0, \dots, 2^{l-1}\}, t_k = kh_{l-1}$,
- $\forall k \in \{0, \dots, 2^{l-1} - 1\}, t_{k+\frac{1}{2}} = (k + \frac{1}{2}) h_{l-1}$,
- $\eta^{2^l} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{2^l})$,
- $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^c = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k}$, $\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^f = W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}} - W_{t_k}$ and $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^f = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}$.

On the coarsest grid, $X^{NV, 2^{l-1}, \eta^{2^l}}$ is defined inductively by: $\eta_{2k+1} = 1$:

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV, 2^{l-1}, \eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_{l-1}}{2} \sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d,c} \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1,c} \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_{l-1}}{2} \sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV, 2^{l-1}, \eta^{2^l}}, \quad (28)$$

and if $\eta_{2k+1} = -1$:

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV, 2^{l-1}, \eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_{l-1}}{2} \sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1,c} \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d,c} \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_{l-1}}{2} \sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV, 2^{l-1}, \eta^{2^l}}. \quad (29)$$

The Ninomiya-Victoir: antithetic version

Similarly, on the finest grid: $\eta_{2k+1} = 1$:

$$X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{d,f} \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{1,f} \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}}, \quad (30)$$

and if $\eta_{2k+1} = -1$:

$$X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{1,f} \sigma^1\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{d,f} \sigma^d\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_k}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}}, \quad (31)$$

if $\eta_{2k+2} = 1$:

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d,f} \sigma^d\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1,f} \sigma^1\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}}, \quad (32)$$

and if $\eta_{2k+2} = -1$:

$$X_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} = \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{1,f} \sigma^1\right) \dots \exp\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^{d,f} \sigma^d\right) \exp\left(\frac{h_l}{2}\sigma^0\right) X_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}}. \quad (33)$$

The antithetic scheme $\tilde{X}^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}}$ is defined by the same discretization, except that the Brownian increment $\Delta W_{t_{k+\frac{1}{2}}}^f$ and $\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^f$ are swapped.

Strong coupling with order one between successive levels

Considering:

$$Z_{NV}^l = \frac{1}{4} \left(f \left(\tilde{X}_T^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} \right) + f \left(\tilde{X}_T^{NV,2^l,-\eta^{2^l}} \right) + f \left(X_T^{NV,2^l,\eta^{2^l}} \right) + f \left(X_T^{NV,2^l,-\eta^{2^l}} \right) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(f \left(X_T^{NV,2^{l-1},\eta^{2^l}} \right) + f \left(X_T^{NV,2^{l-1},-\eta^{2^l}} \right) \right), \quad (34)$$

we have a first order of convergence.

Theorem

Assume that $f \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R})$ and $b \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$ with bounded first and second order derivatives, and, $\forall j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$, $\sigma^j \in \mathcal{C}^3(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$ with bounded first and second order derivatives and with polynomially growing third order derivatives. Then:

$$\forall p \geq 1, \exists c \in \mathbb{R}_+^*, \forall l \in \mathbb{N}^*, \mathbb{E} \left[\left| Z_{NV}^l \right|^{2p} \right] \leq \frac{c}{2^{2pl}}. \quad (35)$$

Derived MLMC estimator

The antithetic MLMC estimator, \hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{NV} , with the Ninomiya-Victoir scheme is defined as follows

$$\hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{NV} = \sum_{l=0}^{L^*} \frac{1}{M_l^*} \sum_{k=1}^{M_l^*} Z_{NV}^{l,k}$$

where $Z_{NV}^0 = f(X_T^{NV,1,\eta})$ or $Z_{NV}^0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(f(X_T^{NV,1,\eta}) + f(X_T^{NV,1,-\eta}) \right)$, and for $l \in \{0, \dots, L^*\}$, $Z_{NV}^{l,k}$ are independent copies of Z_{NV}^l .

Practical procedure

- Step 1: Estimate α, β, c_1, c_2 and $\mathbb{V}[Z_{NV}^0]$.
- Step 2: Compute L^* and $(M_l^*)_{0 \leq l \leq L^*}$.
- Step 3: Compute \hat{Y}_{MLMC}^{NV} .

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Heston model

$$\begin{cases} dU_t = (r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}V_t)dt + \sqrt{V_t}dW_t^1 \\ dV_t = \kappa(\theta - V_t)dt + \sigma\sqrt{V_t}(\rho dW_t^1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}dW_t^2), \end{cases} \quad (36)$$

where the asset price S is given by $S_t = \exp(U_t)$ and

- $\theta \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is the long implied variance, or long run average price variance; as t tends to infinity, the expected value of V_t tends to θ ,
- $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is the rate at which V_t reverts to θ ,
- $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is the volatility of the implied volatility and determines the variance of V_t ,
- $r \in \mathbb{R}$ the annualized risk-free interest rate, continuously compounded,
- $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is the annualized continuous yield dividend,
- $\rho \in] -1, 1[$ is the correlation between the two Brownian motion (ie stock price and implied volatility).

The Heston model

In this 2-dimensional model, the Brownian vector fields are given by

- $\sigma^1 \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{v} \\ \rho\sigma\sqrt{v} \end{pmatrix},$
- $\sigma^2 \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sigma\sqrt{1-\rho^2}\sqrt{v} \end{pmatrix}.$

The drift coefficient is $b \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}v \\ \kappa(\theta - v) \end{pmatrix}.$

The Stratonovich drift is given by $\sigma^0 = b - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\sigma^1\sigma^1 + \partial\sigma^2\sigma^2):$

$$\sigma^0 \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}v - \frac{1}{4}\rho\sigma \\ \kappa(\theta - v) - \frac{\sigma^2}{4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme is well defined for setting $\xi = \theta - \frac{\sigma^2}{4\kappa} \geq 0$, for a given uniform grid, is inductively defined by:

1st step:

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^0 = U_{t_k}^{NV,\eta} + \frac{1}{2} \left(r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\rho\sigma - \frac{1}{2}\xi \right) t_1 + \frac{1}{2\kappa} (v - \xi) \left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1 \right),$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^0 = \left(V_{t_k}^{NV,\eta} - \xi \right) \left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1 \right) + \xi.$$

2nd step:

If $\eta_{k+1} = 1$:

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^0 + \sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^0} \Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 + \frac{1}{4}\rho\sigma \left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \right)^2,$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^0} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\rho\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \right)^2,$$

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta},$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta}} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\sqrt{1-\rho^2}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^2 \right)^2.$$

The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

If $\eta_{k+1} = -1$:

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{0,\eta},$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^0} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\sqrt{1-\rho^2}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^2 \right)^2,$$

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} + \sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta}}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 + \frac{1}{4}\rho\sigma\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1\right)^2,$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta}} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\rho\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \right)^2.$$

3rd step:

$$U_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} + \frac{1}{2}\left(r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\rho\sigma - \frac{1}{2}\xi\right)t_1 + \frac{1}{2\kappa}(v - \xi)\left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1\right),$$

$$V_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,\eta} = \left(\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} - \xi\right)\left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1\right) + \xi.$$

The Ninomiya-Victoir scheme

If $\eta_{k+1} = -1$:

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{0,\eta},$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^0} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\sqrt{1-\rho^2}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^2 \right)^2,$$

$$\bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta} + \sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta}}\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 + \frac{1}{4}\rho\sigma\left(\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1\right)^2,$$

$$\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} = \left(\sqrt{\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{1,\eta}} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\rho\Delta W_{t_{k+1}}^1 \right)^2.$$

3rd step:

$$U_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,\eta} = \bar{U}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} + \frac{1}{2}\left(r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\rho\sigma - \frac{1}{2}\xi\right)t_1 + \frac{1}{2\kappa}(v - \xi)\left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1\right),$$

$$V_{t_{k+1}}^{NV,\eta} = \left(\bar{V}_{t_{k+1}}^{2,\eta} - \xi\right)\left(\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\kappa t_1\right) - 1\right) + \xi.$$

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- This method is well defined when $4\kappa\theta \geq \sigma^2$.
- It is very efficient when the volatility process is far from 0.

Drawbacks

- The constants α, β, c_1 and c_2 are very sensitive to the parameters of the model.