

Numerical approaches to parameter
estimates in stochastic evolution
equations driven by fractional
Brownian motion

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- Mathematical modelling of nanotechnological processes of creating thin films of materials



- possible further research
- Analysis of models based on stochastic partial differential equations driven by fractional Brownian motion
 - parameter estimates
 - general framework: equations in Hilbert spaces

- Stochastic equations in Hilbert spaces
- Parameter estimates
 - estimates based on ergodicity
 - estimates based on exact variations
- Numerical simulations
 - Linear SDE
 - Parabolic SPDE

Stochastic evolution equations driven by fractional Brownian motion

We consider the linear equation

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t) &= AX(t) dt + \Phi dB^H(t), \\X(0) &= x_0,\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where $(B^H(t), t \geq 0)$ is a standard U -valued cylindrical fractional Brownian motion with Hurst parameter $H \in [1/2, 1)$ and U is a separable Hilbert space, $A : \text{Dom}(A) \rightarrow V$, $\text{Dom}(A) \subset V$, A is the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous semigroup $(S(t), t \geq 0)$ on the separable Hilbert space V , $\Phi \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$ and $x_0 \in V$ is in general random.

A solution $(X^{x_0}(t), t \geq 0)$ is considered in the **mild form**, i.e. for all $t \in [0, T]$

$$X^{x_0}(t) = S(t)x_0 + \int_0^t S(t-r)\Phi dB^H(r). \quad (2)$$

[20] T. E. Duncan, B. Maslowski, and B. Pasik-Duncan, *Fractional Brownian motion and stochastic equations in Hilbert spaces*, Stoch. Dyn. **2** (2002), no. 2, 225–250.

- if there is a $T_0 > 0$ such that

$$\int_0^{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} |S(r)\Phi|_{\mathcal{L}_2(U,V)} |S(s)\Phi|_{\mathcal{L}_2(U,V)} \phi(r-s) dr ds < \infty, \quad (A1)$$

then the solution exists as a V -valued process

- if the semigroup is exponentially stable then there exists a Gaussian centred limiting measure μ_∞ for the solution

A measurable V -valued process $(X(t), t \geq 0)$ is said to be **strictly stationary**, if for all $k \in \mathbf{N}$ and for all arbitrary positive numbers t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k , the probability distribution of the V^k -valued random variable $(X(t_1 + r), X(t_2 + r), \dots, X(t_k + r))$ does not depend on $r \geq 0$, i.e.

$$\text{Law}(X(t_1+r), X(t_2+r), \dots, X(t_k+r)) = \text{Law}(X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_k))$$

for all $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k, r \geq 0$

Theorem

If (A1) is satisfied and the semigroup $(S(t), t \geq 0)$ is exponentially stable, then there exists a strictly stationary solution to (1), i.e.

there exists \tilde{x} , a random variable on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, such that

$(X^{\tilde{x}}(t), t \geq 0)$ is a strictly stationary process with

$\text{Law}(X^{\tilde{x}}(t)) = \mu_\infty, t \geq 0$. In particular $\text{Law}(\tilde{x}) = \mu_\infty$.

Theorem

Let (A1) be satisfied and let $(X^{x_0}(t), t \geq 0)$ be a solution to (1) with initial condition $X(0) = x_0 \in V$, generally random. Let

$\varphi : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a real function satisfying the following local Lipschitz condition: let there exists a real constant $K > 0$ and an integer $m > 1$ such that

$$|\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)| \leq K|x - y|(1 + |x|^m + |y|^m) \quad (3)$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbf{R}$. Let $z \in \text{Dom}(A^*)$ be arbitrary. Then

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \varphi(\langle X^{x_0}(t), z \rangle) dt = \int_V \varphi(\langle y, z \rangle) \mu_\infty(dy), \quad \text{a.s.-}\mathbb{P}. \quad (4)$$

for all $x_0 \in V$.

Parameter estimates

- Parameter estimates based on exact variations
 - possible from one path observation on a finite interval
 - suitable for diffusion estimates
 - applicable also for drift estimates in one-dimensional equation with space-time white noise
- Parameter estimates based on ergodicity
 - consistent results only for $T \rightarrow \infty$
 - suitable for drift estimates

Consider the linear equation

$$\begin{aligned} dX(t) &= \alpha AX(t) dt + \Phi dB^H(t), \\ X(0) &= x_0, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where $\alpha > 0$ is a real constant parameter. Obviously the operator αA is the infinitesimal generator of the semigroup $(S(\alpha t), t \geq 0)$ that is also exponentially stable and there is a limiting measure $\mu_\infty^\alpha = \mathcal{N}(0, Q_\infty^\alpha)$, where

$$\begin{aligned} Q_\infty^\alpha &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty S(\alpha u) Q S^*(\alpha v) \phi(u - v) du dv \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty S(u) Q S^*(v) \phi\left(\frac{u}{\alpha} - \frac{v}{\alpha}\right) du dv \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \frac{1}{\alpha^{2H-2}} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty S(u) Q S^*(v) \phi(u - v) du dv = \frac{1}{\alpha^{2H}} Q_\infty^1. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

Let (A1) be satisfied and let $(X^{x_0}(t), t \geq 0)$ be a V -valued solution to (5). Let $z \in \text{Dom}(A^*)$ be arbitrary and let the limiting measure μ_∞ exists with covariance Q_∞ such that

$$\langle Q_\infty z, z \rangle_V > 0.$$

Define

$$\hat{\alpha}_T := \left(\frac{\langle Q_\infty z, z \rangle_V}{\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T |\langle X^{x_0}(t), z \rangle_V|^2 dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2H}}. \quad (6)$$

Then

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\alpha}_T = \alpha, \quad \text{a.s. } \mathbb{P},$$

for all $x_0 \in V$.

Theorem

Let (A1) be satisfied and let $(X^{x_0}(t), t \geq 0)$ be a V -valued solution to (5) with initial condition $x_0 \in V$ such that $\mathbb{E}|x_0|_V^2 < \infty$. Let the limiting measure μ_∞ exists with covariance Q_∞ such that $\text{Tr } Q_\infty \neq 0$. Define

$$\hat{\alpha}_T := \left(\frac{\text{Tr } Q_\infty}{\frac{1}{T} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T |X^{x_0}(t)|_V^2 dt} \right)^{\frac{1}{2H}}. \quad (7)$$

Then

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\alpha}_T = \alpha.$$

Theorem

Let $(X^{x_0}(t), t \geq 0)$ be a V -valued solution to (1). Fix $0 < T_1 < T_2$. Define, for $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$, a time grid by $t_j = T_1 + j\delta$, where $\delta = \frac{1}{n}(T_2 - T_1)$. Let $z \in \text{Dom}(A^*)$ be arbitrary. Then the following limit holds in mean square for all $x_0 \in V$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^n |\langle X^{x_0}(t_{i+1}), z \rangle_V - \langle X^{x_0}(t_i), z \rangle_V|^{1/H} \\ = c_H [\langle Qz, z \rangle_V]^{1/(2H)} (T_2 - T_1), \quad (8)$$

where

$$c_H = \frac{2^{1/(2H)}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{H+1}{2H}\right). \quad (9)$$

In particular, if we denote by

$$\hat{f}_n(z) := \frac{1}{c_H(T_2 - T_1)} \sum_{i=0}^n |\langle X^{x_0}(t_{i+1}), z \rangle_V - \langle X^{x_0}(t_i), z \rangle_V|^{1/H},$$

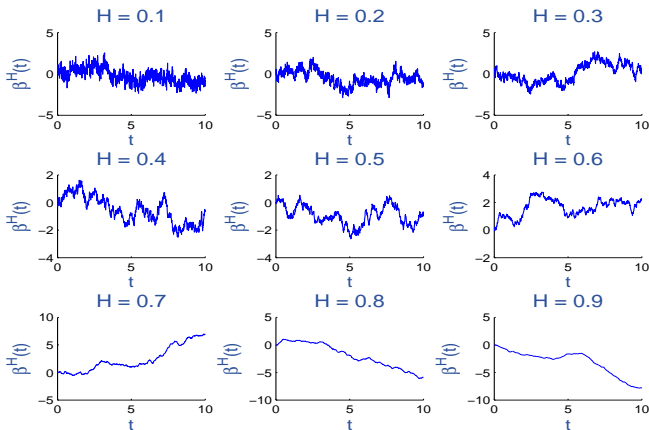
then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left[\hat{f}_n(z) - [\langle Qz, z \rangle_V]^{1/(2H)} \right]^2 = 0. \quad (10)$$

Numerical simulations

Example: fractional Brownian motion

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Nine different sample paths of fractional Brownian motion each with a different value of Hurst parameter H . The roughness of the paths decreases for higher values of H .

Consider the following **one-dimensional linear stochastic differential equation**

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t) &= -\alpha X(t) dt + \sigma d\beta^H(t) \\ X(0) &= x_0,\end{aligned}\tag{11}$$

where $\alpha > 0$ and $\sigma > 0$ are real constant parameters and $(\beta^H(t), t \geq 0)$ is a standard fractional Brownian motion with Hurst parameter $H \in (1/2, 1)$.

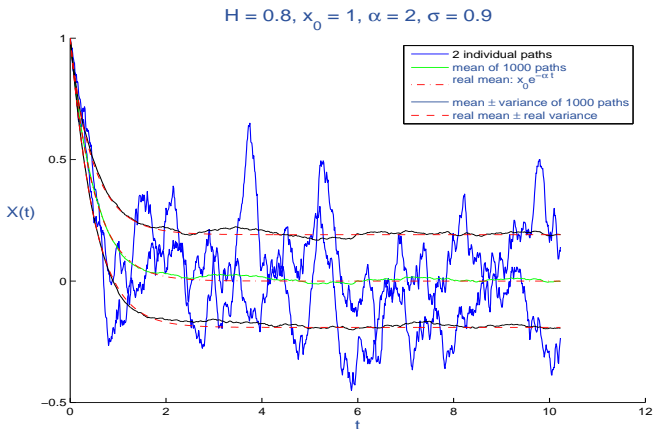
Modified *Euler-Maruyama method*, explicit scheme:

$$\begin{aligned}Y_0 &= x_0 \\ Y_{j+1} &= Y_j - \alpha Y_j h + \sigma w_j^H, \quad j = 1, \dots, N,\end{aligned}\tag{12}$$

where $w_j^H = \beta^H(t_{j+1}) - \beta^H(t_j)$ is the increment of fractional Brownian motion

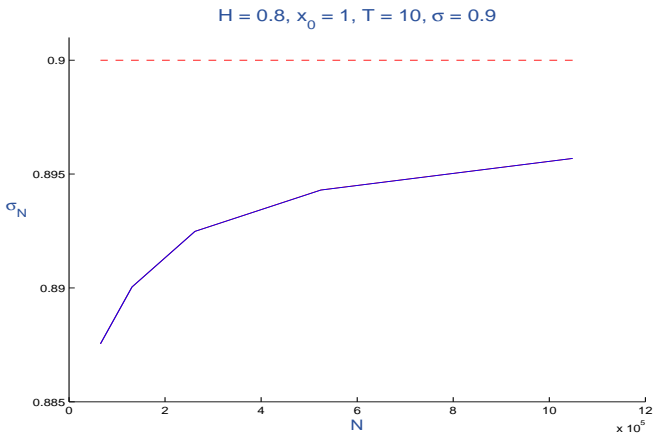
Solution: nonzero initial condition

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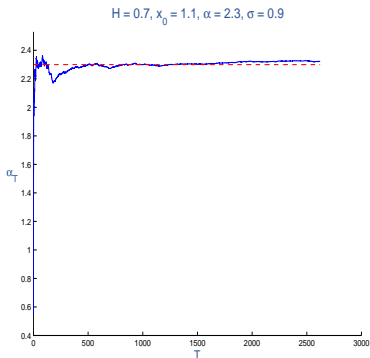
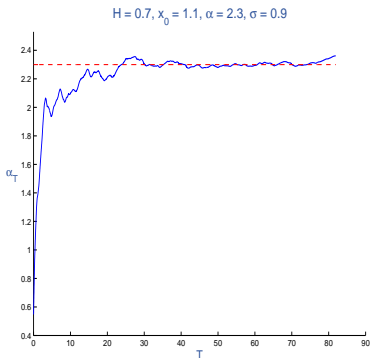
A solution $X(t)$ of stochastic differential equation (11) with nonzero initial condition. Only two individual paths are drawn.

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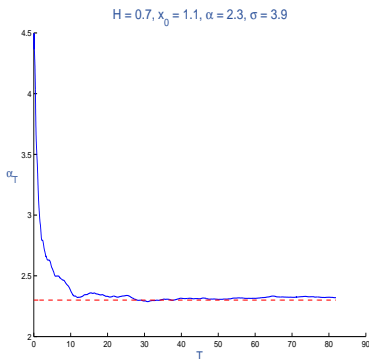
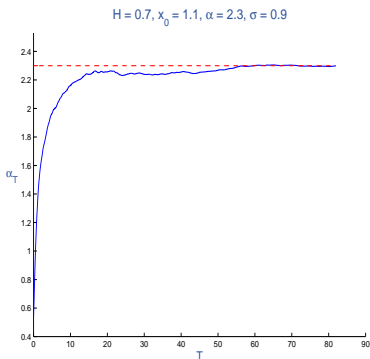
Convergence of σ_N to the true value σ for particular values of x_0 , T and H .

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Convergence of $\hat{\alpha}_T$ computed using 1 path observation to the true value α for particular values of x_0 , σ and H (same trajectory viewed in a different time interval).

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Convergence of $\hat{\alpha}_T$ computed using 50 paths observation to the true value α for particular values of x_0 , σ and H .

Consider the following initial boundary value problem for **linear stochastic heat equation**

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t, x) &= \alpha \Delta X(t, x) dt + \sigma dB^H(t), \quad t \geq 0, x \in [0, L], L > 0 \\X(0, x) &= x_0(x), \quad x \in [0, L], \\X(t, 0) &= X(t, L) = 0, \quad t \geq 0,\end{aligned}\tag{13}$$

where $\alpha > 0$ and $\sigma > 0$ are real constant parameters, $x_0 \in L^2([0, L])$ and $(B^H(t), t \geq 0)$ is a standard cylindrical fractional Brownian motion with Hurst parameter $H \in (1/2, 1)$.

Space grid $x_i = ik, k = L/M, i = 0, 1, \dots, M,$

$$dX(t, x_i) = \frac{\alpha}{k^2} (X(t, x_{i+1}) - 2X(t, x_i) + X(t, x_{i-1})) dt + \sigma d\beta_i^H(t),$$

where $\beta_i^H(t)$ are stochastically independent. In matrix form:

$$dX(t) = AX(t) dt + \sigma dB^H(t),$$

where $X(t)$ is now an $M \times 1$ matrix (vector) with elements $X(t, x_i)$, A is an $M \times M$ matrix and $B^H(t)$ an $M \times 1$ vector of the form

$$A = \frac{\alpha}{k^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B^H(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1^H(t) \\ \beta_2^H(t) \\ \vdots \\ \beta_M^H(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Implicit scheme:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_0 &= x_0 \\ Y_{j+1} &= Y_j + AY_{j+1}h + \sigma W_j^H, \quad j = 1, \dots, N \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

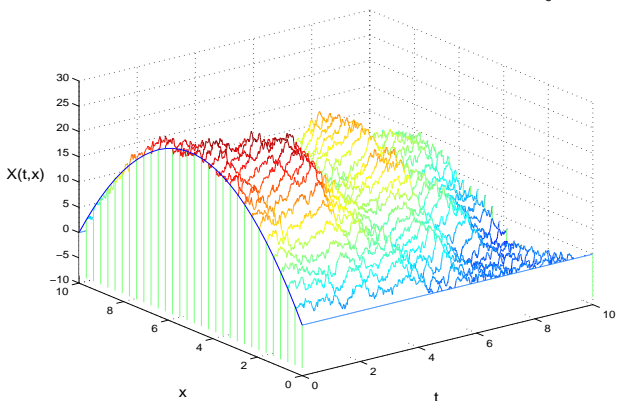
where $W_j^H = B^H(t_{j+1}) - B^H(t_j)$ are the increments of fBm. We calculate Y_{j+1} by solving the following systems of equations

$$(I - Ah)Y_{j+1} = Y_j + \sigma W_j^H, \quad j = 1, \dots, N,$$

where I denotes the identity matrix.

Observation: it is necessary to control some relation between time and space steps. For a deterministic PDE, i.e. when $\sigma = 0$, and an *explicit* scheme the relation is $\alpha \frac{h}{k^2} \leq 1/2$. Here dependence on H ?

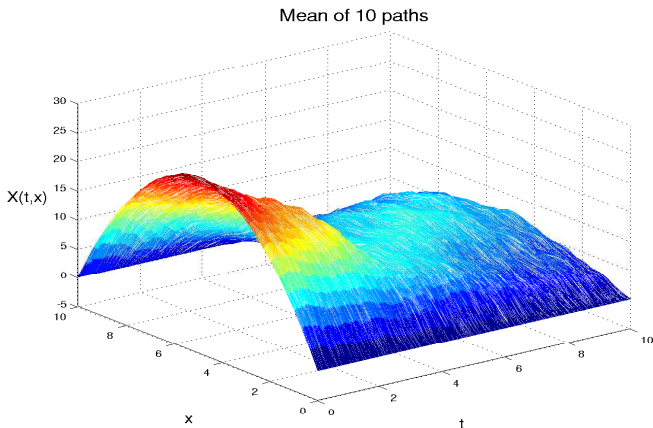
One path of the solution; $H = 0.8$, $\alpha = 2$, $\sigma = 15$, $L = 10$, $T = 10$, $x_0(x) = x(L-x)$.



One path solution to (13) with initial condition $x_0(x) = x(L-x)$, $x \in [0, L]$, and particular values of H , α , σ , L and T .

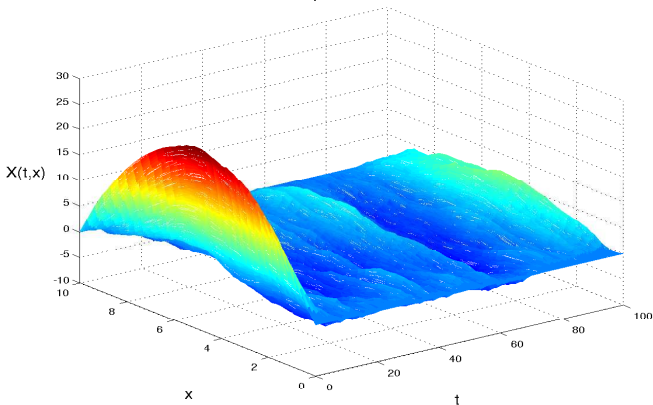
Mean of 10 paths of the solution

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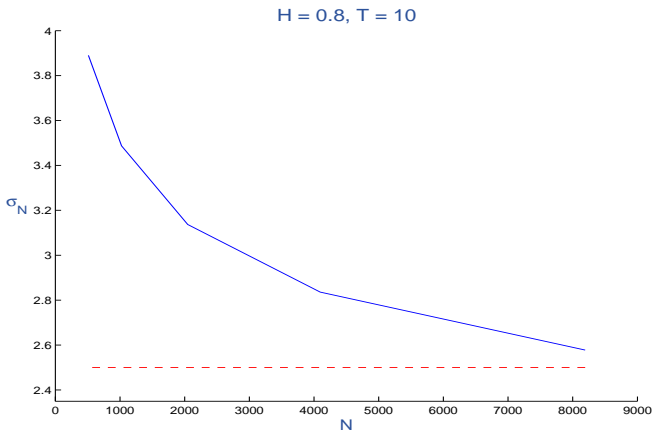


Mean of $P = 10$ paths of the solution.

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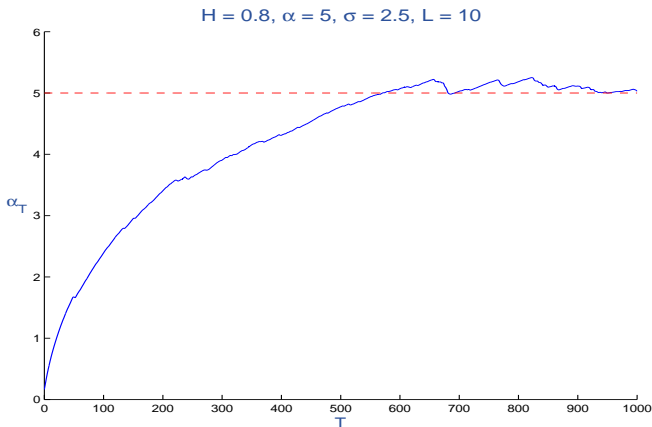


Mean of 10 paths of the solution to (13) with initial condition $x_0(x) = x(L - x)$, $x \in [0, L]$, for large time interval.



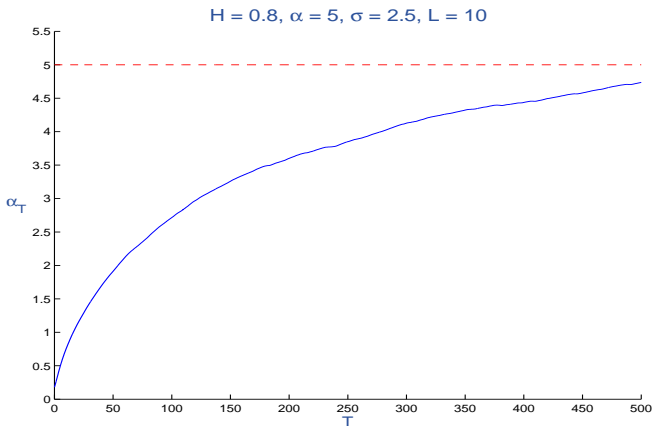
Convergence of $\hat{\sigma}_N$ to the true value σ for particular values of H and T .

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Convergence of $\hat{\alpha}_T$ computed using 1 path observation to the true value α for particular value of H (σ and L appears in the solution).

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Convergence of $\hat{\alpha}_T$ computed using 10 paths observation to the true value α for particular values of σ , H and L .

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