

# Explicit Euler scheme: a new way of proof for the existence of solutions for singular parabolic SPDEs

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The existence and uniqueness of solutions are quite well-understood, but these results do not cover the natural cases of discontinuous drifts or reflected diffusions which are expected in physical models.

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Besov space  $\mathcal{B}_{p, \infty}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

In dimension  $d = 1$ , Athreya, Butkovsky, Lê, Mytnik [ABLM21] proved that there exists a unique strong solution whenever  $b$  has some Hölder regularity (precisely Besov regularity  $\gamma - 1/p \geq -1$ ,  $\gamma > -1$  and  $p \in [1, \infty]$ ).

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Furthermore, without monotonic behavior, or (one-sided) Lipschitz condition.

## Euler scheme

For the SPDE

$$dX_t = AX_t dt + b(X_t) dt + dW_t$$

consider the Euler scheme with time step  $h = T/N$

$$X^{n+1} = X^n + A(X^n)h + b(X^n)h + \Delta W^{n+1}$$

then the strong order is given by

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq n \leq N} \|X_{nh} - X^n\|^2 \right] \leq C_T h.$$

## Euler scheme: rate of convergence

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq n \leq N} \|X_{nh} - X^n\|^2 \right] \leq C_T h.$$

The usual way of proof is to obtain the bound of moments

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq n \leq N} \|X^n\|^p \right] \leq C_T,$$

and it is expected that the order of convergence is given by the time regularity of the noise based on the control of

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq t, s \leq T, |t-s| < h} \|W_t - W_s\|^2 \right] \leq C_T h \quad \mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|W_t\|^p \right] \leq C_T,$$

There are many way to obtain the same regularity/moment bounds for the Euler scheme, but it NEEDS an implicit treatment of the differential operator (see also exponential scheme, splitting, etc.). Otherwise it has been shown that the forward/explicit Euler scheme may not be convergent (for instance with superlinear growing of  $b$ ).

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## Bounded drift

Consider

$$dX_t = \mathbb{1}_{\{X_t > 0\}} dt + dB_t^H,$$

$$dX_t = \mathbb{1}_D^{(d)}(X_t) dt + dB_t^H.$$

Then  $b \in \mathcal{C}^{0-} / \mathcal{B}_\infty^0$  leads to  $b^n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{n}{2\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-\frac{ny^2}{2}} dy$  and  $n = \lfloor h^{-1} \rfloor$ .

## Dirac drift

Consider

$$dX_t = \delta_0(X_t) dt + dB_t^H.$$

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Set  $h = 2^{-7} 10^{-4}$  as reference value.

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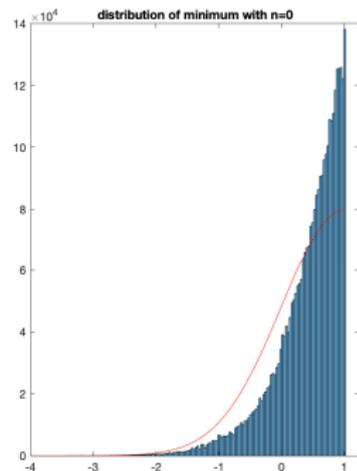
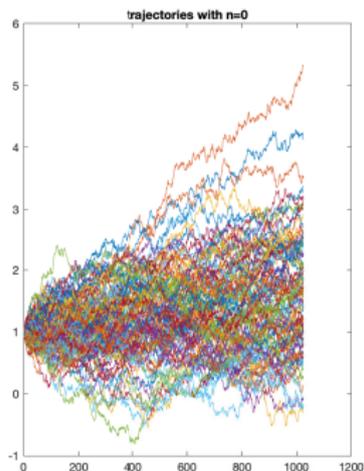
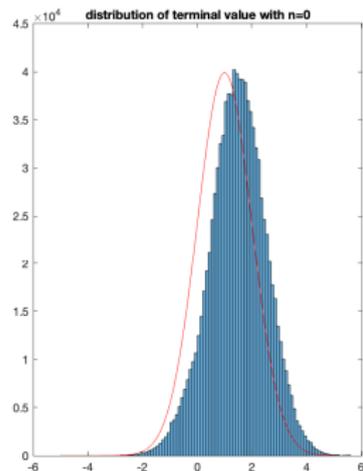


Figure: It works!

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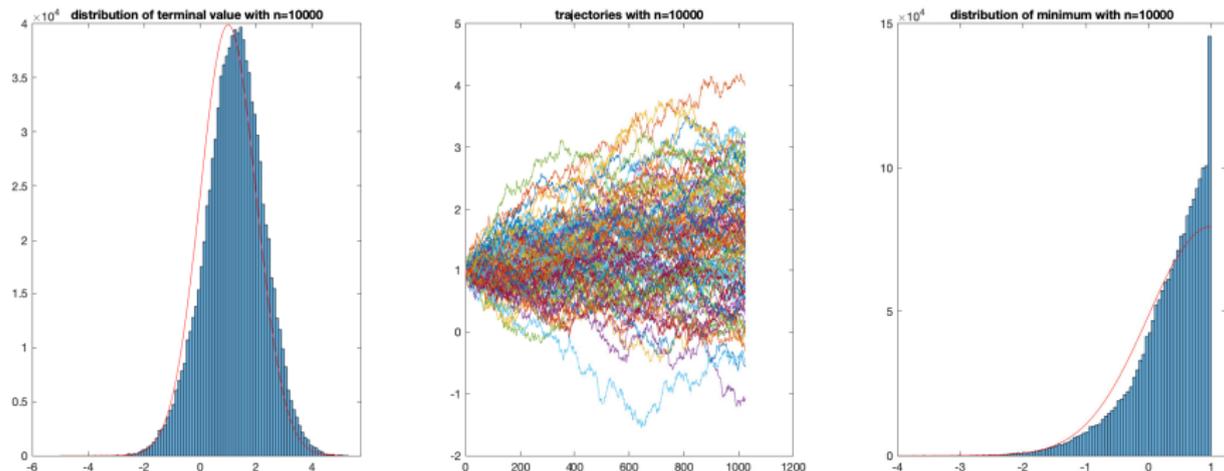


Figure: It works quite well...

## Dirac distribution in dimension 1 - naive algorithm

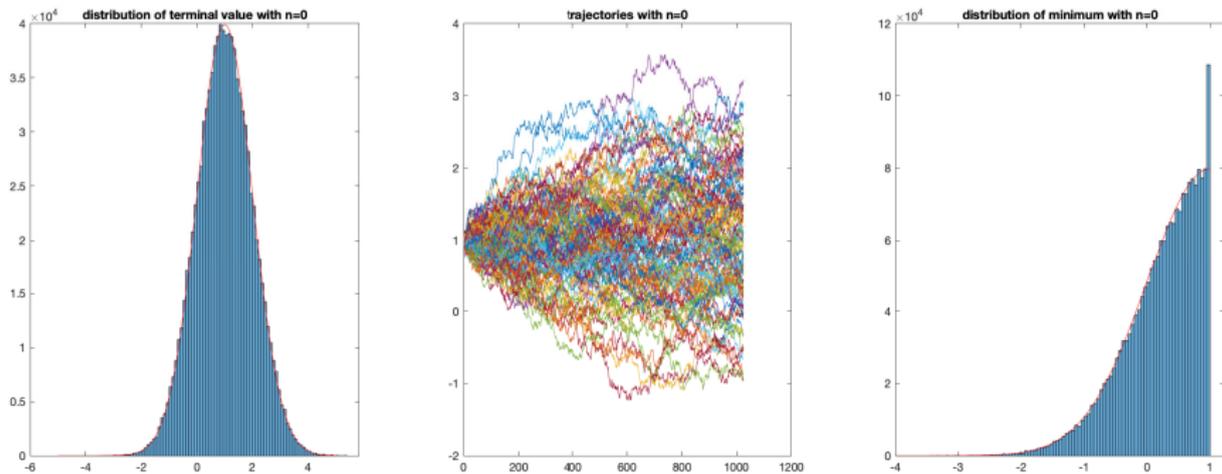


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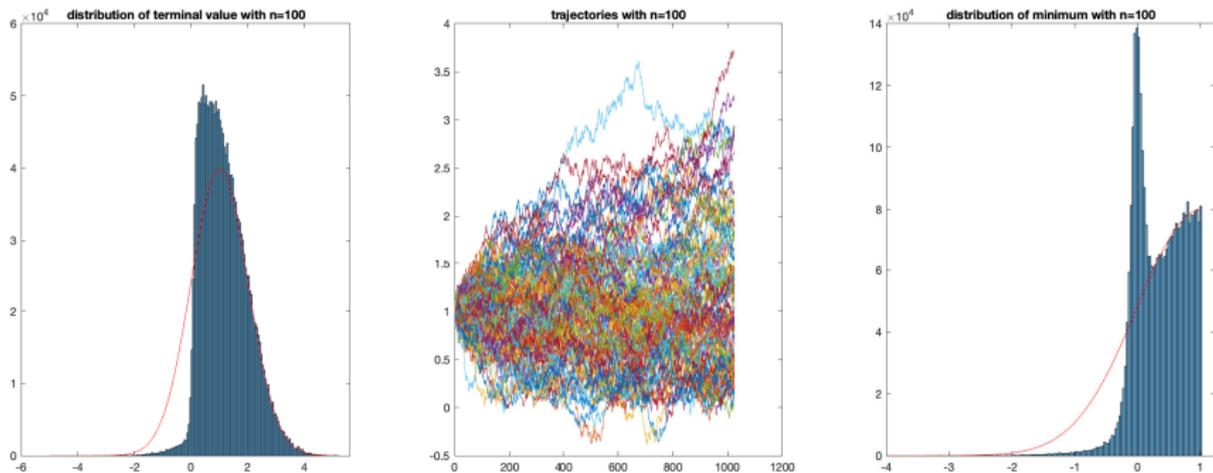


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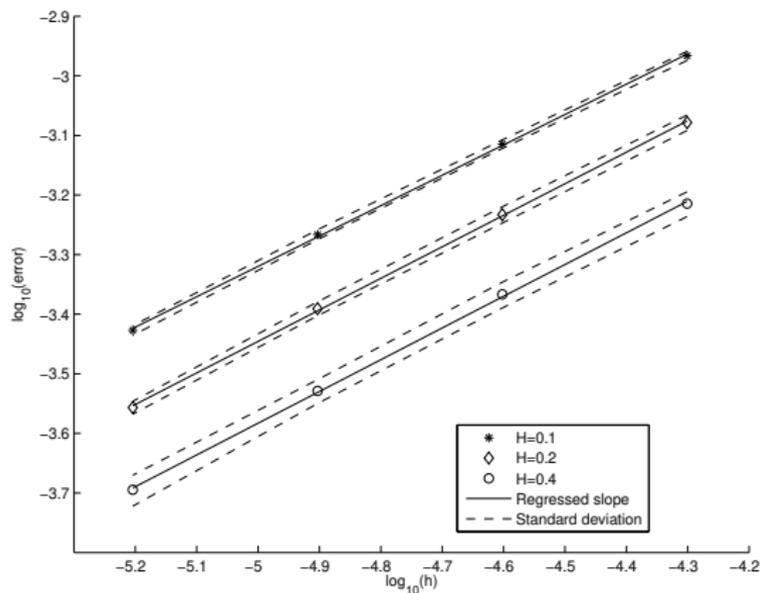


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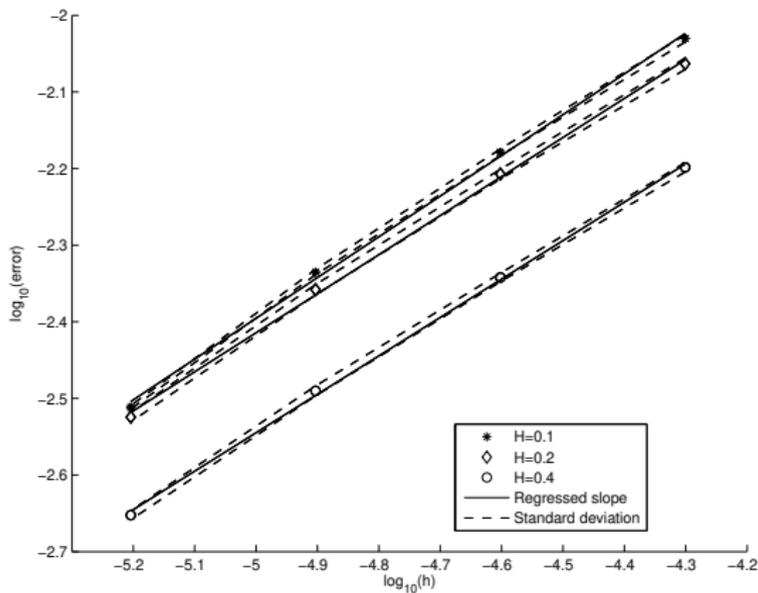


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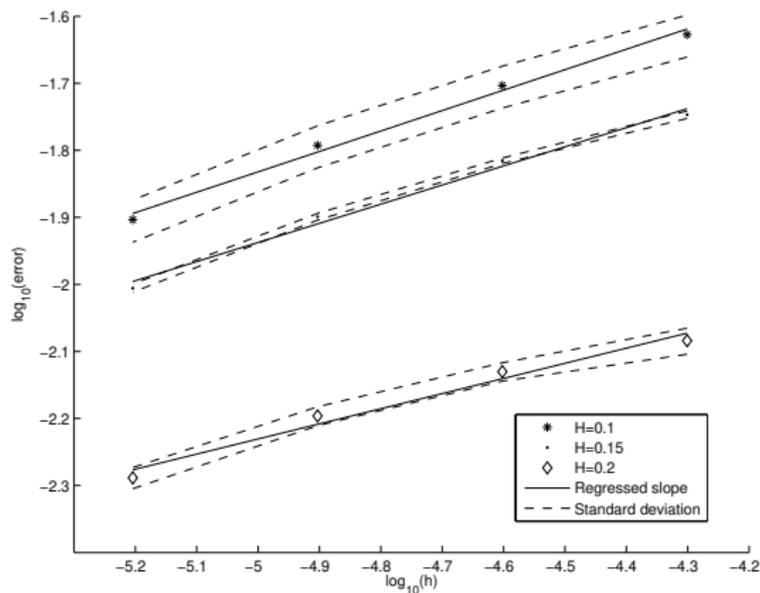


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$$dX_t = b(X_t)dt + dB_t^H,$$

when  $b$  is a distribution in some Hölder/Besov space and  $B^H$  is a fractional Brownian motion.

We look for solutions of the form

$$X_t = X_0 + K_t + B_t^H,$$

where in case  $b$  is regular enough,  $K_t = \int_0^t b(X_s)ds$ .

### $\mathbb{F}$ -fBm

For a filtration  $\mathbb{F}$ , we say that  $B^H$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -fBm if there exists an  $\mathbb{F}$ -Brownian motion  $W$  s.t.  $B_t^H = \int_0^t K_H(t,s) dW_s$ .

## Weak solutions

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t b(X_s) ds + B_t^H, \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (*)$$

## Definition

$((X_t)_{t \in [0, T]}, (B_t)_{t \in [0, T]})$  defined on some filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is a **weak solution** of (\*) if

- $B^H$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -fBm;
- $X$  is adapted to  $\mathbb{F}$ ;
- $\exists (K_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  such that, a.s.,

$$X_t = X_0 + K_t + B_t^H, \quad \forall t \in [0, T];$$

- $\forall (b^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  smooth bounded functions converging to  $b$  in  $C^\alpha / \mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-}$ ,

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \int_0^t b^k(X_r) dr - K_t \right| \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow +\infty]{\mathbb{P}} 0.$$

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- $\delta_0 \in \mathcal{B}_{1,\infty}^0(\mathbb{R})$  (or  $\mathcal{B}_{p,\infty}^{-d+\frac{d}{p}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  in dimension  $d$ ).

## Weak and strong existence

Theorem ([Anzeletti-Richard-Tanré '21], [G.-Haess-Richard.'22])

Let  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$ ,  $b \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha / \mathcal{B}_p^\gamma$ .

[weak] Assume that

$$\alpha = \gamma - \frac{d}{p} > \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2H}.$$

Then there exists a weak solution  $X$  s.t.  $X - B^H \in \mathcal{C}_{[0,T]}^\kappa(L^m)$ , for all  $m \geq 2$ ,

$$\forall \kappa \in (0, 1 + H\alpha] \setminus \{1\}, \quad \forall \kappa \in \left(0, 1 + H\left(\gamma - \frac{d}{p}\right)\right] \setminus \{1\}.$$

[strong] Assume that

$$H < \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma - \frac{d}{p} < 0 \text{ and } \gamma - \frac{d}{p} > 1 - \frac{1}{2H}.$$

Then there exists a strong solution  $X$  to (\*) such that  $X - B \in \mathcal{C}_{[0,T]}^{\frac{1}{2}+H}(L^m)$  for any  $m \geq 2$ . Besides, pathwise uniqueness holds in the class of all solutions  $X$  such that  $X - B \in \mathcal{C}_{[0,T]}^{\frac{1}{2}+H}(L^2)$ .

## Reflection?

## Example

If  $b = \delta_0$  ( $b \in \mathcal{C}^{-1}/\mathcal{B}_1^0$ ) and  $d = 1$ , one must choose  $H < \frac{1}{3}$ .

Then  $X - B^H$  has Hölder regularity  $1 - H (> H)$ , hence  $X$  is not reflected.

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Indeed, the solution of

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is given by the well-known stochastic convolution

$$Z(t, x) = e^{\frac{t}{2}\Delta} u_0(x) + \int_0^t e^{\frac{t-s}{2}\Delta} dW(s, x)$$

which has regularity  $\mathcal{C}^{\frac{1}{4}-}$  in time and  $\mathcal{C}^{\frac{1}{2}-}$  in space.

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That is  $b \in \mathcal{C}^\alpha / \mathcal{B}_p^\gamma$ , where  $\alpha = \gamma - 1/p > -1$ .

Note that the Dirac delta function lies in  $\mathcal{B}_p^{-1+1/p}$  which is the critical case.

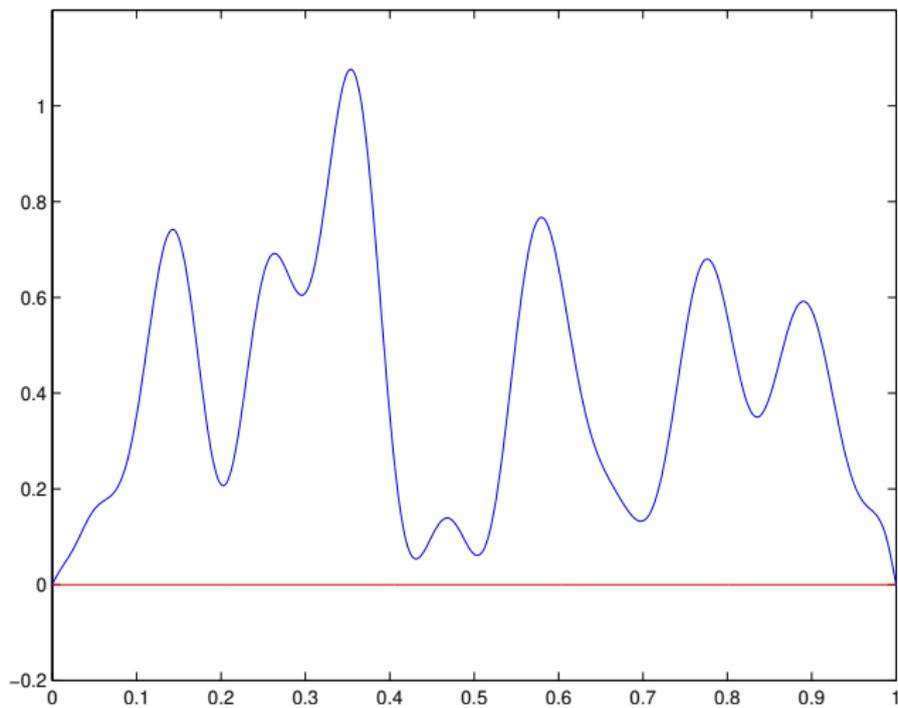


Figure: Before touching

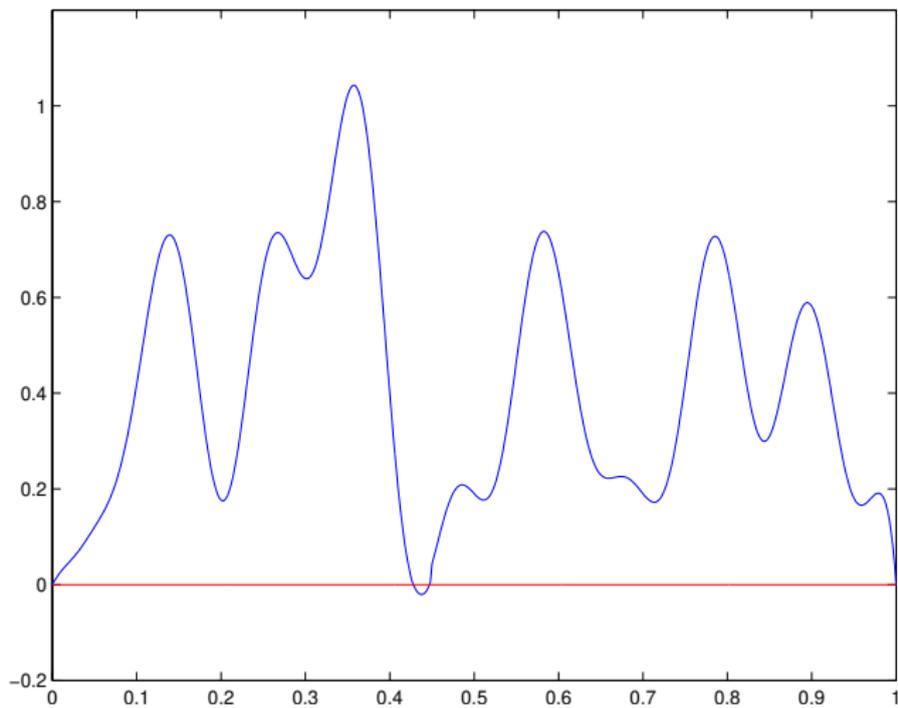


Figure: Breaks physical limit

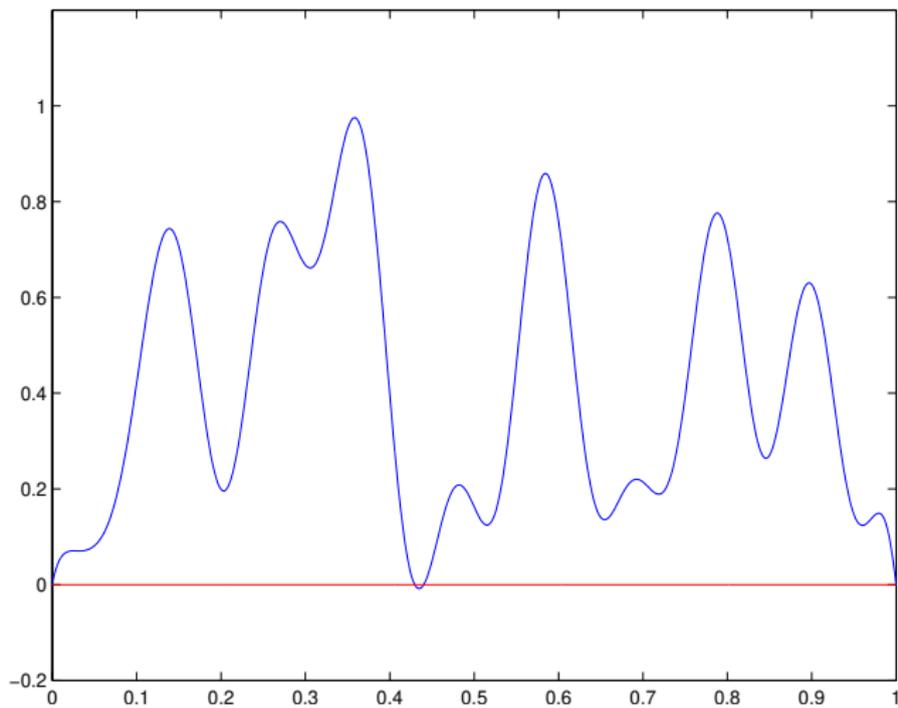


Figure: Penalization steps

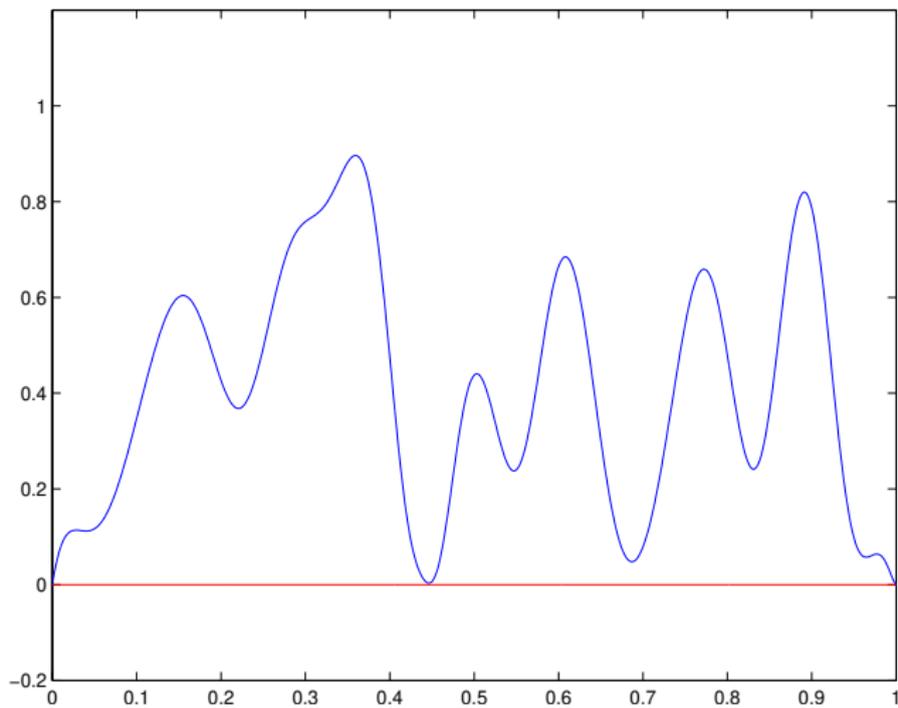


Figure: Reflection

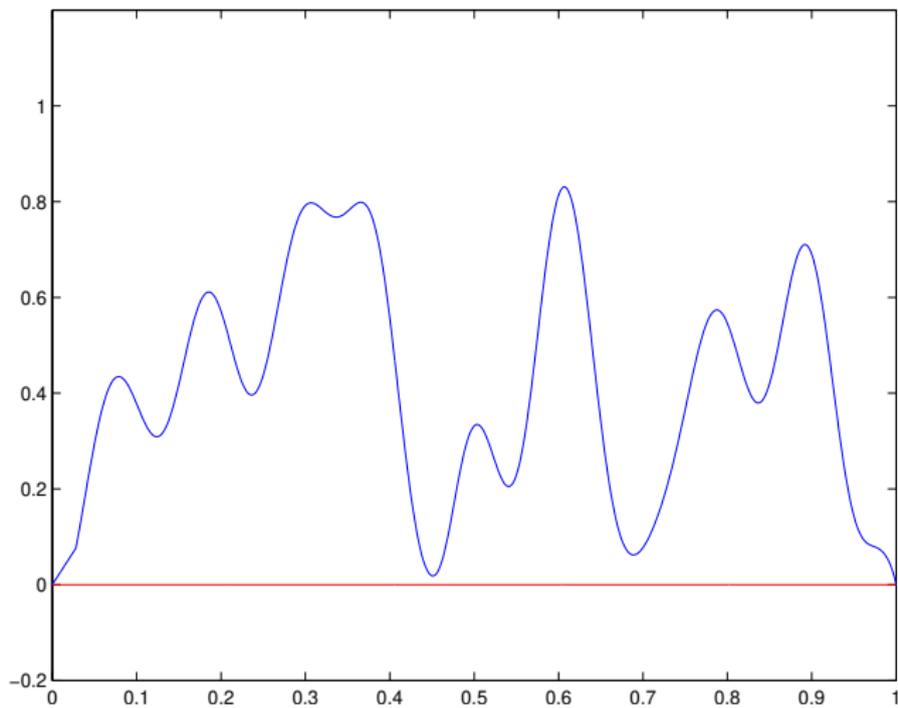


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Elements of proof: The basic ingredient is the **stochastic sewing lemma**.

### Lemma ([Lê'20])

Let  $m \in [2, \infty)$ . Let  $A : \Delta_{0,1} \rightarrow L^m(\Omega)$  s.t.  $A_{s,t}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable. Assume  $\exists \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \geq 0$ , and  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$  s.t.  $\forall (s, t) \in \Delta_{0,1}$  and  $u := \frac{s+t}{2}$ ,

$$\|\mathbb{E}^S[\delta A_{s,u,t}]\|_{L^m} \leq \Gamma_1 (t-s)^{1+\varepsilon_1},$$

$$\|\delta A_{s,u,t}\|_{L^m} \leq \Gamma_2 (t-s)^{\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon_2}.$$

Then  $\exists (\mathcal{A}_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$  s.t.  $\forall t \in [0,1]$  and any sequence of partitions  $\Pi_k = \{t_i^k\}_{i=0}^{N_k}$  of  $[0, t]$  with mesh size going to zero,

$$\mathcal{A}_t = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{N_k} A_{t_i^k, t_{i+1}^k} \text{ in proba.}$$

Moreover,  $\exists C$  s.t.  $\forall (s, t) \in \Delta_{0,1}$ ,

$$\|\mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{A}_s - A_{s,t}\|_{L^m} \leq C \Gamma_1 (t-s)^{1+\varepsilon_1} + C \Gamma_2 (t-s)^{\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon_2},$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \int_s^t f(B_r + \psi_r) dr \right\|_{L^m(\Omega)} &\leq C \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma} (t-s)^{1+H(\gamma-d/p)} \\ &+ C \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma} [\psi]_{C_{[s,t]}^\alpha} L^m (t-s)^{1+H(\gamma-d/p-1)+\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

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- $m \in [2, \infty)$  and  $p \in [m, \infty]$  and  $0 > \gamma > 1 - 1/(2H)$ . For any  $\mathcal{F}_s$ -measurable  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2 \in L^m(\Omega)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \int_s^t f(B_r + \kappa_1) - f(B_r + \kappa_2) dr \right\|_{L^m} \\ \leq C \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma} \|\kappa_1 - \kappa_2\|_{L^m} (t-s)^{1+H(\gamma-d/p-1)}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

(for **uniqueness**).

## Elements of proof II

Why the condition  $\gamma - \frac{d}{p} > \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2H}$  in the theorem?

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where  $r_h = h \lfloor \frac{r}{h} \rfloor$ .

## "Subcritical" case

Theorem ([G.-Haess-Richard.'22])

Let  $H < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $m \geq 2$  and  $p \in [m, \infty]$ . Let  $b \in \mathcal{B}_p^\gamma$  and assume

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Let  $X$  denote a weak solution such that  $X - B \in C_{[0, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}+H}(L^m)$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ .  
Then  $\forall h \in (0, 1)$  and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|X_t - X_t^{h, n}\|_{C^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} &\leq C \left( \|b^n - b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-1}} + \|b^n\|_\infty h^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|b^n\|_\infty \|b^n\|_{C^1} h^{1-\varepsilon} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Denote by  $G_t$  the Gaussian semigroup with variance  $t$ . Then

$$\|G_{\frac{1}{n}} b - b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-1}} \lesssim n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma},$$

$$\|G_{\frac{1}{n}} b\|_\infty \lesssim n^{\frac{1}{2}(-\gamma + \frac{d}{p})} \|b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma},$$

$$\|G_{\frac{1}{n}} b\|_{C^1} \lesssim n^{\frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma + \frac{d}{p})} \|b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma}.$$

### Corollary

Let  $h \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ ,  $n_h = \lfloor h^{-\frac{1}{1-\gamma+\frac{d}{p}}} \rfloor$  and  $b^{n_h} = G_{\frac{1}{n_h}} b$ . Then

$$\|X_t - X_t^{h, n_h}\|_{C^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} \leq C h^{\frac{1}{2(1-\gamma+\frac{d}{p})} - \varepsilon}.$$

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Let

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Then  $\exists C, \rho > 0$  such that for all  $h \in (0, 1)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

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## Rates

The orders of convergence obtained here compared to regular  $b$  from Butkovsky et al. (2021a); Dareiotis et al. (2021); De Angelis et Al. (2019) are:

<i>Drift</i>	<i>Rate</i>
$\alpha > 0$	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + H\alpha\right) \wedge 1$
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$\alpha = 0 \sim$ Bounded	$\frac{1}{2}$
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Define

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Decompose the error as follows:

$$X_t - X_t^{h,n} - (X_s - X_s^{h,n}) = K_t - K_s - (K_t^n - K_s^n) \quad (3)$$

$$+ \int_s^t (b^n(K_r + B_r) - b^n(K_r^{h,n} + B_r)) dr \quad (4)$$

$$+ \int_s^t (b^n(K_r^{h,n} + B_r) - b^n(K_{r_h^{h,n}}^{h,n} + B_{r_h})) dr. \quad (5)$$

Denote by  $E_{s,t}^{1,h,n}$  the term in (4),  $E_{s,t}^{2,h,n}$  the term in (5), and  $E_{s,t}^{h,n} = E_{s,t}^{1,h,n} + E_{s,t}^{2,h,n}$ .

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The last term  $E_{s,t}^{2,h,n}$  can be controlled using Girsanov, but this leads to an exponential dependence in  $\|b^n\|_{\infty}$ . Instead with use again the SSL to get

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## Consequences

### Definition

- *Pathwise uniqueness* holds if for any solutions  $(X, B)$  and  $(Y, B)$  defined on the same filtered probability space with the same  $B$  and same initial condition  $X_0$ ,  $X$  and  $Y$  are indistinguishable.
- A weak solution  $(X, B)$  such that  $X$  is  $\mathbb{F}^B$ -adapted is called a *strong solution*.

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We say that a sequence of smooth bounded functions  $(b^k)$  converges to  $b$  in  $\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-}$  as  $k$  goes to infinity if

$$\begin{cases} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|b^k\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma} < \|b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^\gamma} < \infty \\ \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|b^k - b\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma'}} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \forall \gamma' < \gamma.$$

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A couple  $((u_t(x))_{\substack{t \in [0,1] \\ x \in [0,1]}}, \xi)$  is a weak solution on some filtered space  $(\Omega, \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{F})$  if there exists a process  $K : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

- (1)  $\xi$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -space time white noise.
- (2)  $u$  is adapted to  $\mathbb{F}$ .
- (3)  $u_t(x) = P_t \psi_0(x) + K_t(x) + O_t(x)$  a.s where  $x \in [0, 1], t \in [0, 1]$ .
- (4) For any sequence  $(b^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{C}_\infty^b$  converging to  $b$  in  $B_p^{\gamma-}$ , we have

$$\sup_{\substack{t \in [0,1] \\ x \in [0,1]}} \left| \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{t-r}(x, y) b^k(u_r(y)) dy dr - K_t(x) \right| \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbb{P}} 0.$$

- (5) Almost surely, the function  $u$  is continuous on  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ .

If the couple is clear from the context, we simply say that  $u$  is a weak solution.

## Mild form and Gaussian operators

The *mild* form associated to the SPDE is

$$u_t(x) = P_t \psi_0(x) + \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{t-r}(x, y) b(u_r(y)) dy dr + O_t(x) .$$

Notice that the *mild* form is also not well-posed when  $b$  is a genuine distribution. To define a solution, we first specify in which spaces we take  $b$ , and then define how we approximate  $b$  via a smooth sequence.

## Mild form and Gaussian operators

We encounter different heat kernels: the continuum Gaussian on  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  
 $g_t(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2t}\right)$ , the continuum heat kernel on  $[0, 1]$  associated  
with the boundary conditions

$$p_t(x, y) = p_t(x-y) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-y+k)^2}{4t}\right) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-4\pi^2 k^2 t} e^{i2\pi k(x-y)}.$$

We denote by  $G$ . and  $P$ . the respective convolutions with the  $g$ . and  $p$ .

That is, for any bounded measurable function  $f$ , we write

$$G_t f(x) = \int_0^1 g_t(x-y) f(y) dy, \quad \text{and} \quad P_t f(x) = \int_0^1 p_t(x-y) dy.$$

We also denote the convolution operator by  $(f \star g)(x) = \int f(x-y)g(y)dy$ .

## Mild form and Gaussian operators

We denote by  $Q(t)$  the variance of the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

$$O_t(x) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{t-r}(x, y) \xi(dy, dr). \text{ In fact, for all } x \in [0, 1]$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(O_t(x)^2\right) = \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_t(x-y)^2 dy dr = \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{2t}(y) dy dr =: Q(t).$$

Moreover, writing  $Z_{s,t}(x) = O_t(x) - P_{t-s}O_s(x)$  for  $t \geq s$ , we have that the random variable  $Z_{s,t}(x)$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}_s$  and

$$\mathbb{E}\left(Z_{s,t}(x)\right)^2 = Q(t-s).$$

The following equality will be used a lot. For any continuous function  $h$  and  $\mathcal{F}_s$ -measurable random variable  $Y$  one has the almost sure equality

$$\mathbb{E}^s h(O_t(x) + Y) = G_{Q(t-s)} h(P_{t-s}O_s(x) + Y).$$

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We can now define the numerical scheme for  $x \in \Pi_n$  and  $t \in \Lambda_h$  as

$$\begin{cases} u_{t+h}^{h,k}(x) = u_t^{h,k}(x) + h\Delta_n u_t^{h,k}(x) + hb^k \left( u_t^{h,k}(x) \right) + h\eta_{h,n}(t, x) \\ u_0^{h,k}(x) = \psi_0(x), \end{cases}$$

## Finite differences

$\Delta_n$  is the discrete Laplacian

$$\Delta_n f(x) = (2n)^2 (f(x + (2n)^{-1}) - 2f(x) + f(x - (2n)^{-1})),$$

and discrete noise  $\eta_{h,n}$  is given by

$$\eta_h(t, x) = (2n)h^{-1}\xi([t, t+h] \times [x, x + (2n)^{-1}]).$$

## The goal is the rate of convergence

### Rate of convergence

For the right choice of  $b^k$  and  $k$ , we prove the following rate of convergence for the approximation  $u^{h,k}$

$$\sup_{\substack{t \in \Lambda_h \\ x \in \Pi_n}} \|u_t - u_t^{h,k}\|_{L^m(\Omega)} \leq C \left( n^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\gamma+\frac{1}{p})}} \right).$$

## Approximated operator

Consider the functions  $e_j(x) = e^{i2\pi jx}$  for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . They are eigenfunctions of  $\Delta$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_j = -4\pi^2 j^2$ . It is well known that  $(e_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$  forms an orthonormal basis of  $L^2([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$ .

The eigenvalues of the discrete Laplacian  $\Delta_h$  are

$$\lambda_j^n = -16n^2 \sin^2 \left( \frac{j\pi}{2n} \right) \text{ for } j \in \mathbb{Z} .$$

## Approximated operator

We know that for  $-n \leq j, l \leq n-1$ ,

$$\Delta_h e_j(x) = \lambda_j^h e_j(x),$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{x \in \Pi_n} e_j(x) \overline{e_l(x)} = 1_{j=l}.$$

As a consequence,  $e_i$  for  $i \in [-n, n-1]$ , as functions on  $\Pi_n$  form a basis of  $L^2(\Pi_n; \mathbb{C})$ .

It will be convenient to use the piecewise linear extension of the restriction of  $e_j$  to  $\Pi_n$  : for  $-n \leq j \leq n-1$ , for  $x \in \Pi_n$ , and  $x' \in [x, x + (2n)^{-1}]$ , set

$$e_j(x') = e_j(x) + (2n)(x' - x)(e_j(x + (2n)^{-1}) - e_j(x)).$$

## Approximated operator

It remains to encode the temporal discretisation.

Naturally, on the temporal gridpoints  $t = kh$  a factor  $(1 + h\lambda_j^n)^k$  appears.

Between the gridpoints, we again interpolate linearly. More precisely, for  $j = -n, \dots, n-1$ , for  $t \in \Lambda_h$ , and  $t' \in [t, t+h]$ , set

$$\mu_j^h(t') = (1 + h\lambda_j^n)^{th^{-1}} + h^{-1}(t' - t) \left( (1 + h\lambda_j^n)^{(t+h)h^{-1}} - (1 + h\lambda_j^n)^{th^{-1}} \right).$$

## Discrete mild form

We can now define the discrete heat kernel and discrete convolution. Our goal is to write the numerical scheme in a *mild* form similar to classical mild form for SPDEs.

For  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ , denote by  $t_h$  and  $x_n$  the leftmost gridpoint from  $t$  in  $\Lambda_h$  and from  $x$  in  $\Pi_n$  respectively.

The *mild* form associated to the scheme is

$$u_t^{h,k}(x) = P_t^n \psi_0(x) + \int_0^t P_{(t-s)_h}^n b^k \left( u_{s_h}^{h,k} \right) (x) ds + \int_0^t \int_0^1 P_{(t-s)_h}^n(x, y) \xi(dy, ds)$$

where  $P^n$  and  $p^n$  are respectively the discrete analogues of  $P$  and  $p$ .

## Discrete mild form

They are defined for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$

$$P_t^n f(x) := p_t^n \star_n f \text{ and } p_t^n(x, y) = \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \mu_j^n(t) e_j^n(x) \overline{e_j^n(y_n)}.$$

Moreover,  $\star_n$  denotes the discrete convolution

$$g \star_n f(x) := \int_0^1 g(x - y) f(y_n) dy.$$

## Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

## Definition

We define the discrete Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process as

$$O_t^n(x) := \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{(t-r)_h}^h(x, y) \xi(dy, dr),$$

Analogously to  $O_t$ , for  $s \leq t$ , we define  $\widehat{O}_{s,t}^h$  and  $Z_{s,t}^h$  by

$$\begin{aligned} O_t^n(x) &= \int_0^s \int_0^1 p_{(t-r)_h}^n(x, y) \xi(dy, dr) + \int_s^t \int_0^1 p_{(t-r)_n}^n(x, y) \xi(dy, dr) \\ &=: \widehat{O}_{s,t}^n + Z_{s,t}^n. \end{aligned}$$

## Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

Notice that  $Z_{s,t}^n(x)$  is a random variable independent of  $\mathcal{F}_s$  and has variance

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}\left(Z_{s,t}^n(x)^2\right) &= \int_0^{t-s} \int_0^1 |p_{r_n}^n(x, y)|^2 dy dr \\ &= \int_0^{t-s} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} |1 + h\lambda_j^n|^{2r_n h^{-1}} dr =: Q^n(t-s).\end{aligned}$$

Also similarly to  $O_t$ , we have that for any continuous function  $h$  and  $\mathcal{F}_s$ -measurable random variable  $Y$

$$\mathbb{E}^s h\left(O_t^n(x) + Y\right) = G_{Q^n(t-s)} h\left(\widehat{O}_{s,t}^n(x) + Y\right).$$

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## Controlling the error

We are interested in controlling the error  $\mathcal{E}^{h,k}$  between the solution  $u$  and the numerical scheme  $u^{h,k}$ , defined for  $(s, t) \in \Delta_{0,1}$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$  by

$$\mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{h,k}(x) = u_t(x) - P_{t-s}u_s(x) - \int_s^t P_{(t-s)_h}^n b^k(u_{r_h}^{h,k})(x) dr.$$

## Elements of Proof I

For all  $(s, t) \in \Delta_{0,1}$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ , we write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{h,k}(x) &= v_t(x) - P_{t-s}v_s - \int_s^t P_{(t-r)_h}^n b^k(v_{r_h}^{h,k} + P_{r_h}^n \psi_0 + O_{r_h}^n)(x) ds \\
 &= v_t(x) - v_t^k(x) - P_{t-s}v_s(x) + P_{t-s}v_s^k(x) \\
 &\quad + \int_s^t \left( P_{(t-r)_h} b^k(v_r + P_r \psi_0 + O_r)(x) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_s^t P_{(t-r)_h}^n b^k(v_{r_h}^{h,k} + P_{r_h}^n \psi_0 + O_{r_h}^n)(x) \right) ds \\
 &:= V_t^k - P_{t-s}V_s^k + \mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{1,h,k} + \mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{2,h,k} + \mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{3,h,k}, \\
 &:= \epsilon(h, k) + \mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{1,h,k}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Elements of Proof II

$$\mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{1,h,k} = \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{t-r}(x, y) \left( b^k(v_r(y) + P_r \psi_0(y) + O_r(y)) \right. \\ \left. - b^k(v_r^{h,k}(y) + P_r^n \psi_0(y) + O_r^n(y)) \right) dy dr$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{2,h,k} = \int_0^t \int_0^1 p_{t-r}(x, y) \left( b^k(v_r^{h,k}(y) + P_r^n \psi_0(y) + O_r^n(y)) \right. \\ \left. - b^k(v_{r_h}^{h,k}(y_n) + P_{r_h}^n \psi_0(y_n) + O_{r_h}^n(y_n)) \right) dy dr$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{s,t}^{3,h,k} = \int_0^t \int_0^1 (p_{t-r} - p_{(t-r)_h}^n)(x, y) b^k(v_{r_h}^{h,k}(y_n) + P_{r_h}^n \psi_0(y_n) + O_{r_h}^n(y_n)) dy dr.$$

will be controlled on small intervals.

## Elements of Proof III

On all intervals  $[S, T]$ , we have

$$[V^k]_{C_{[S, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} \leq C \|b - b^k\|_{\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-1}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathcal{E}^{2, h, k}]_{C_{[S, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} + [\mathcal{E}^{3, h, k}]_{C_{[S, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} \\ & \leq C \left( (1 + \|b^k\|_{\infty}) n^{-\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon} + (1 + \|b^k\|_{\infty})(1 + \|b^k\|_{C^1}) n^{-1 + \varepsilon} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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The last step is to obtain

$$[\mathcal{E}^{1, h, k}]_{C_{[S, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} \leq C \left( [\mathcal{E}^{h, k}]_{C_{[S, T]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} + [\mathcal{E}^{h, k}]_{C_{[0, S]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} + \epsilon(h, k) \right) (T - S)^{\frac{1}{4}(\gamma+1-1/p)}.$$

## Elements of Proof IV

Hence the bound

$$[\mathcal{E}^{h,k}]_{C_{[S,T]}^{\frac{1}{2}}L^m} \leq \epsilon(h,k) + C \left( [\mathcal{E}^{h,k}]_{C_{[S,T]}^{\frac{1}{2}}L^m} + [\mathcal{E}^{h,k}]_{C_{[0,S]}^{\frac{1}{2}}L^m} \right) (T-S)^{\frac{1}{4}(\gamma+1-1/\rho)}.$$

leads to

$$[\mathcal{E}^{h,k}]_{C_{[0,1]}^{\frac{1}{2}}L^m} \leq C\epsilon(h,k),$$

which is controlled.

## Theoretical Results

Let  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$  such that

$$0 > \gamma - \frac{1}{p} \geq -1 \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma > -1. \quad (\text{A1})$$

Let  $b \in \mathcal{B}_p^\gamma$ ,  $m \in [2, \infty)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1/2)$  and let  $\psi_0 \in \mathcal{C}^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ .

Let  $u$  be the strong solution to the SPDE with drift  $b$ .

Let  $(b^k)$  be a sequence of smooth functions that converges to  $b$  in  $\mathcal{B}_p^{\gamma-}$  and  $(u^{h,k})_{h \in (0,1), k \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the tamed Euler finite-differences scheme defined on the same probability space and with the same space-time white noise  $\xi$  as  $u$ .

## Theoretical Results

## Theorem (G.-Haess-Richard)

(a) Regularity of the tamed Euler scheme: Let  $\eta \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$  be a subset of  $[0, 1] \times \mathbb{N}$  and assume that

$$\sup_{(h,k) \in \mathcal{D}} \|b^k\|_{\infty} h^{\frac{1}{4} - \eta} < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{(h,k) \in \mathcal{D}} \|b^k\|_{C^1} h^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty, \quad (\text{A2})$$

then  $\sup_{(h,k) \in \mathcal{D}} \{u^{h,k} - O\}_{C_{[0,1]}^{\frac{1}{2} + \eta} L^{m, \infty}} < \infty$ .

## Theoretical Results

## Theorem (G.-Haess-Richard)

Assume that  $[u - O]_{C_{[0,1]}^{3/4} L^{m,\infty}} < \infty$ .

(b) The sub-critical case: If  $-1 < \gamma - d/p < 0$ , then there exists a constant  $C$  that depends on  $m, p, \gamma, \varepsilon, \|b\|_{B_p^\gamma}, \|\psi_0\|_{C^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}$  such that for all  $h \in (0, 1)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the following bound holds:

$$[\mathcal{E}^{h,k}]_{C_{[0,1]}^{\frac{1}{2}} L^m} \leq C \left( \|b^k - b\|_{B_p^{\gamma-1}} + (1 + \|b^k\|_\infty) n^{-\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon} + \|b^k\|_\infty \|b^k\|_{C^1} n^{-1+\varepsilon} \right).$$

## Theoretical Results

## Theorem (G.-Haess-Richard)

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(c) The critical case: If  $\gamma - 1/p = -1$  and  $p < +\infty$ . If (A2) holds, then there exists two constants  $C_1, C_2$  that depend on  $m, p, \gamma, \varepsilon, \|b\|_{B_p^\gamma}, \|\psi_0\|_{C^{\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon}}$  such that for all  $h \in (0, 1)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the following bound holds:

$$[\mathcal{E}_{0,\cdot}^{h,k}]_{L_{[0,1]}^\infty L^m} \leq C_1 \left( \|b - b^k\|_{B_p^{\gamma-1}} (1 + |\log \|b - b^k\|_{B_p^{\gamma-1}}|) + (1 + \|b^k\|_\infty) n^{-\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon} + (1 + \|b^k\|_\infty)(1 + \|b^k\|_{C^1}) n^{-1+\varepsilon} \right)^{C_2}.$$

## Theoretical Results

<i>Regularity</i>	$\gamma - \frac{1}{p} = 0$	$\gamma - \frac{1}{p} \in (-1, 0)$	$\gamma - \frac{1}{p} = -1$ and $p < \infty$
<i>Space Order</i>	$\frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon$	$\frac{1}{2 - 2(\gamma - \frac{1}{p})} - \varepsilon$	$C > 0$
<i>Time Order</i>	$\frac{1}{4} - \varepsilon$	$\frac{1}{4 - 4(\gamma - \frac{1}{p})} - \varepsilon$	$C/2 > 0$

**Table:** Rate of convergence of the tamed Euler finite-differences scheme depending on the Besov regularity of the drift.

## Numerical simulation - Stochastic heat equation with Dirac drift

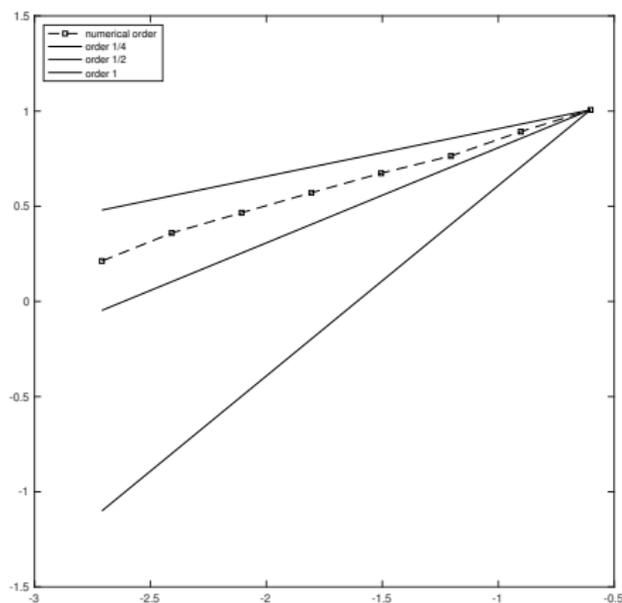
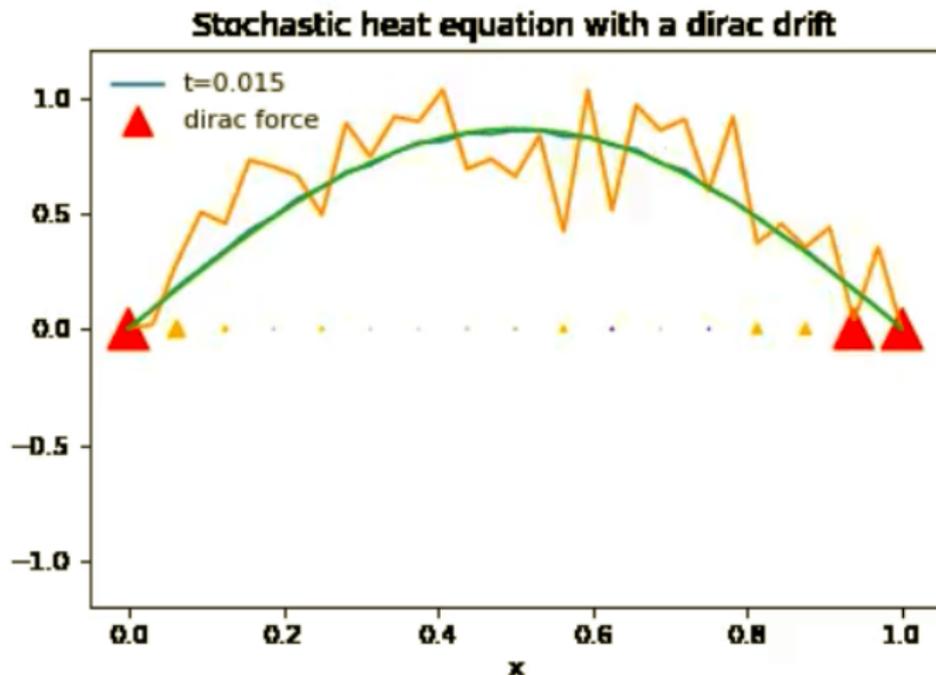
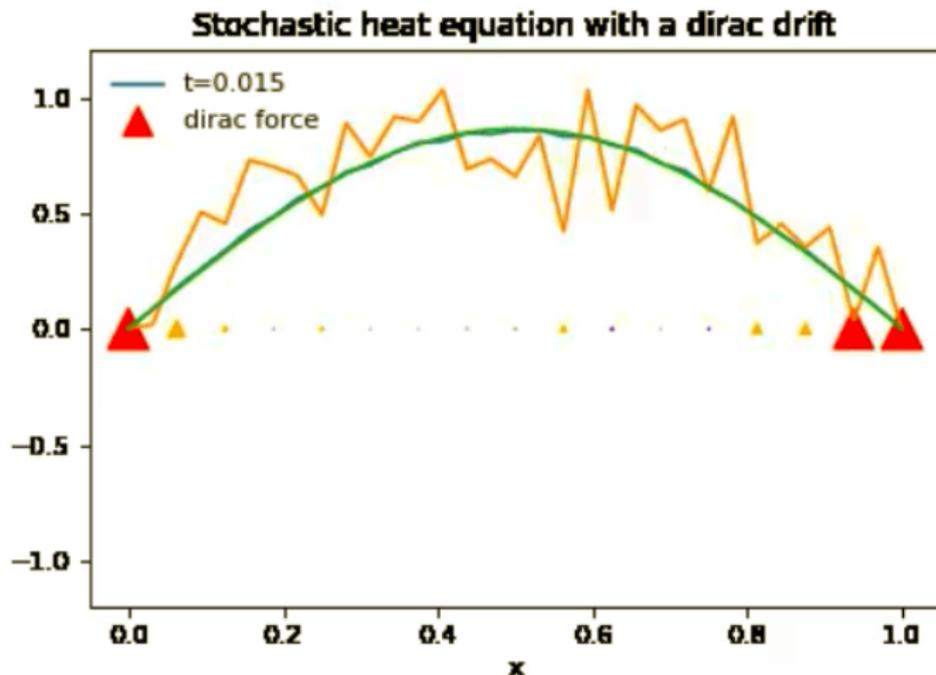


Figure: Approximate slope is 0.36

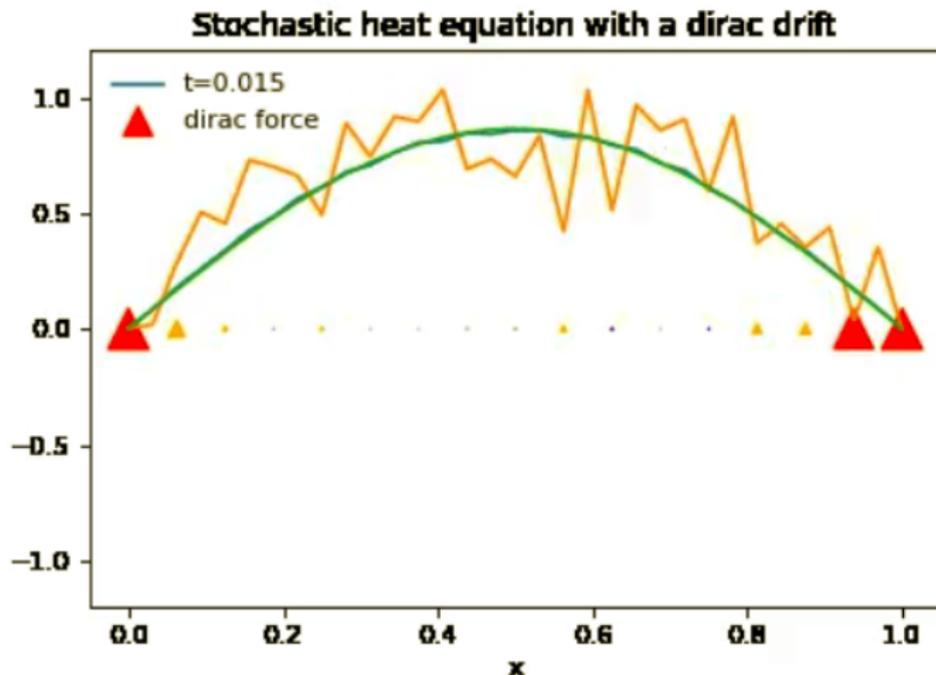
## Numerical simulation - regularized Dirac in 0



## Numerical simulation - Dirac in 0



## Numerical simulation - Dirac in 1



Thanks for your attention !

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