

# Parameter estimation for stochastic differential equations driven by fractional Brownian motion

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- Suppose we have a continuous trajectory of the SDE, we are interested in the estimation of the parameter vector  $\theta$ .

- In the linear case,  $X_t$  is known as the fOU process. There are many research results.
- Kleptsyna and Le Breton (2002) studied the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) and prove the strong consistency.
- Brouste and Kleptsyna(2010), Bercu, Courtin and Savy (2011) obtained the central limit theorem.
- Tudor and Viens (2007) also obtain the strong consistency of MLE in linear and nonlinear cases for  $H \in (0, 1)$ .
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- Hu, Nualart, Zhou (2017) obtained the strong consistency and central limit theorem for all  $H \in (0, 1)$ .

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## Theorem (Hu, Nualart, Z ('18))

*Assume that the components of  $f$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}_p^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$  when  $H \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ , and they belong to  $\mathcal{C}_p^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$  when  $H \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$ .  $f$  also satisfies the assumptions mentioned above. Then the least squares estimator  $\hat{\theta}_T$  of the parameter  $\theta$  is strongly consistent,*

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## Theorem (Garrido-Atiienza, Kloeden, Neuenkirch ('09))

Assume the drift function  $f$  satisfies the assumptions above (polynomial growth and one-sided Lipschitz). Then, the following results hold:

- (i) There exists a random variable  $\bar{X} : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  with  $\mathbb{E}|\bar{X}|^p < \infty$  for all  $p \geq 1$  such that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |X_t(\omega) - \bar{X}(\mu_t \omega)| = 0$$

for  $\mathbb{P}$ -almost all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

- (ii) For any function  $g \in C_p^1(\mathbb{R}^m)$ , we have

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T g(X_t) dt = \mathbb{E}[g(\bar{X})] \quad \text{P-a.s.}$$

This implies that  $\left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (f^{tr} f)(X_t) dt \right)^{-1} \rightarrow (\mathbb{E}((f^{tr} f)(\bar{X})))^{-1}$  a.s., given that  $P(\det(f^{tr} f)(\bar{X}) > 0) > 0$ .



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- Estimation of  $\|Z_{j,n}\|_{L^p(\Omega)}$  and  $\|\sup_{t \in [k_T, k_T+1]} \int_{k_T}^t g_j(X_s) dB_s\|_{L^p(\Omega)}$ .

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$$D_s^j F = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i^j}(B_{t_1}, \dots, B_{t_n}) \mathbb{1}_{[0,t_j]}(s).$$

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# p-th moment of divergence integrals

The divergence operator  $\delta$  is continuous from  $\mathbb{D}^{1,p}(\mathfrak{H}^d)$  into  $L^p(\Omega)$ , which means

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## Lemma

Let  $H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  and let  $u$  be an element of  $\mathbb{D}^{1,p}(\mathfrak{H}^d)$ ,  $p > 1$ . Then  $u$  belongs to the domain of the divergence operator  $\delta$  in  $L^p(\Omega)$ . Moreover, we have

$$\mathbb{E}(|\delta(u)|^p) \leq C_{p,H} \left( \|\mathbb{E}(u)\|_{L^{1/H}([0,\infty);\mathbb{R}^d)}^p + \mathbb{E} \left( \|Du\|_{L^{1/H}([0,\infty)^2;\mathbb{R}^d \times d)}^p \right) \right).$$

## Proposition

Let  $H \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$  and  $p \geq 2$ . Assume that the  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued stochastic process  $\{u_t, t \geq 0\}$  satisfies the regularity Hypothesis (i)-(iv).

- (i)  $\|u\|_{p,0,\infty} = \sup_{t \geq 0} \|u_t\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty$ ,
- (ii)  $\|u_t - u_s\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)} \leq K(t - s)^\beta$ ,
- (iii)  $\|Du_t\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathfrak{H}^d \otimes \mathbb{R}^d)} \leq Kt^\lambda$ ,
- (iv)  $\|Du_t - Du_s\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathfrak{H}^d \otimes \mathbb{R}^d)} \leq K(t - s)^\beta s^\lambda$ .

where the constants  $K > 0$ ,  $\beta > \frac{1}{2} - H$  and  $\lambda \in (0, H]$ . Then for any  $T > 0$ , the divergence integral  $\delta(u\mathbb{1}_{[0,T]})$  is in  $L^p(\Omega)$ , and

$$\mathbb{E}(|\delta(u\mathbb{1}_{[0,T]})|^p) \leq CT^{pH}(1 + T^{p\lambda})(1 + T^{p\beta}),$$

where the constant  $C$  is independent of  $T$ .

## Theorem (Hu, Nualart, Z ('18))

- Let  $H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = H$  with  $p > q$ . Suppose that for all  $T > 0$ 
  - $\int_0^T \mathbb{E}(|u_s|^p) ds < \infty$ ,
  - $\int_0^T \int_0^s \mathbb{E}(|D_t u_s|^p) dt ds < \infty$ .

Then the divergence integral  $\int_0^t u_s dB_s$  is in  $L^p(\Omega)$  for all  $t \geq 0$  and for any interval  $[a, b]$ , we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{t \in [a, b]} \left| \int_a^t u_s dB_s \right|^p \right) \leq C(b-a)^{\frac{p}{q}} \int_a^b \mathbb{E}(|u_s|^p) ds \\ + C(b-a)^{\frac{2p}{q}} \int_a^b \int_a^s \mathbb{E}(|D_t u_s|^p) dt ds,$$

where the constant  $C$  does not depend on  $a, b$ .

## Theorem (Hu, Nualart, Z ('18))

Let  $\{u_t, t \geq 0\}$  be an  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued stochastic process. For the divergence integral  $\int_0^t u_s dB_s$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , we have the following statements:

- Let  $H \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$  and  $p > \frac{1}{H}$ . Assume that the stochastic process  $u$  satisfies the regularity Hypothesis. Then the divergence integral  $\int_0^t u_s dB_s$  is in  $L^p(\Omega)$  for all  $t \geq 0$  and for any  $0 \leq a < b$  we have the estimate

$$\mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{t \in [a, b]} \left| \int_a^t u_s dB_s \right|^p \right) \leq C(b-a)^{pH} (1 + (b-a)^{p\beta}) (1 + b^{p\lambda}),$$

where  $C$  is a generic constant that does not depend on  $a, b$ .

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## Proposition

(1) *The solution  $X_t$  satisfies*

$$\|X_t\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)} \leq C_p,$$

*and*

$$\|X_t - X_s\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^m)} \leq C_p |t - s|^H$$

*for all  $t \geq s \geq 0$ .*

(2) *The Malliavin derivative of the solution  $X_t$  satisfies for all  $0 \leq s \leq t$*

$$|D_s X_t| \leq |\sigma| e^{-L_1(t-s)}, \text{ a.s.}$$

*Moreover, if  $v \leq u \leq s \leq t$ , we have*

$$\|D_u X_t - D_v X_t\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{m \times d})} \leq C e^{-L_1(t-u)} (1 \wedge |u - v|),$$

$$\|D_u X_t - D_u X_s\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{m \times d})} \leq C e^{-L_1(s-u)} (1 \wedge |t - s|),$$

$$\|D_u X_t - D_v X_t - (D_u X_s - D_v X_s)\|_{L^p(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^{m \times d})} \leq C e^{-L_1(s-u)} (1 \wedge |u - v|) (1 \wedge |t - s|)$$

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$$\mathbb{E} \left( \sup_{t \in [k_T, k_T+1]} \left| \int_{k_T}^t g_j(X_s) dB_s \right|^p \right) \leq \begin{cases} C & \text{when } H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ C(k_T + 1)^{p\lambda} & \text{when } H \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}), \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda \in (0, H)$ .

THANK YOU!