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## **BSDEs and Operator Deep BSDEs for dynamic risk evaluation**

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# 1. Dynamic risk evaluation with attention to the time-scales

Time dependent phenomena require risk evaluation at different moments, leading to **dynamic risk measurement**.

We consider dynamic risk evaluation when **risky positions in a portfolio** have **different time horizons**.<sup>1</sup>

We identify two issues to discuss:

- **horizon risk**
- in a financial context, **interest rate uncertainty**

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<sup>1</sup>D. diBartolomeo: Risk, Uncertainty and Time Horizon: What Most Risk Models Get Wrong! Newport Seminar, 2017.

## Short on dynamic risk measures

A **dynamic risk measure** is a family of individual risk measures  $(\rho_t)_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ .

Namely, the mapping  $\rho_t : \mathcal{X}_T \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_t$  (where  $\mathcal{X}_t$  represents  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -random variables) is:

- 1 **monotone**: if  $X \leq Y$ , then  $\rho_t(X) \geq \rho_t(Y)$
- 2 **cash additive**: if  $m \in \mathcal{X}_t$ , then  $\rho_t(X + m) = \rho_t(X) - m$
- 3 **normalized**:  $\rho_t(0) = 0$
- 4 **positive homogeneous**: for  $\lambda > 0$ , then  $\rho_t(\lambda X) = \lambda \rho_t(X)$
- 5 **sub-additive**:  $\rho_t(X + Y) \leq \rho_t(X) + \rho_t(Y)$
- 6 **convex**: for  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , then  $\rho_t(\lambda X + (1 - \lambda)Y) \leq \lambda \rho_t(X) + (1 - \lambda)\rho_t(Y)$

A **monetary evaluation** of an admissible risk:  $\rho_t(X) = \text{ess.inf}\{m : m + X \in \mathcal{A}_t\}$ .

## Dynamic risk measures and BSDEs

The future uncertainty is here represented by a **Brownian noise** with the associated information flow. Random variables have moments and  $\mathcal{X}_t = L^2(\mathcal{F}_t)$ .

**Characterisation of rm in terms of BSDEs.**<sup>2</sup> Dynamic risk measures are associated to BSDEs:

$$Y_t = -X + \int_t^T g(s, Y_s, Z_s) ds - \int_t^T Z_s dB_s$$

The process  $(Y_t)_t$  in the solution  $(Y_t, Z_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  is regarded as an operator depending characterised by the **driver**  $g$  and evaluated at  $-X \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ :

$$\rho_t(X) = Y_t, \quad X \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T), \quad t \in [0, T].$$

See also the connection with *non-linear expectations*.

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<sup>2</sup>See Peng (1997, 2003), Frittelli, Rosazza Gianin (2002, 2004), Rosazza Gianin (2006), ...

The properties of the driver  $g$  characterise the properties of  $(\rho_t)_t$ . For instance,

- When  $g$  is **Lipschitz**, existence and unicity of the solution are guaranteed.
- Beyond this case (e.g. quadratic), one can study concepts of "maximal solutions"<sup>3</sup>.
- Among **quadratic drivers** we consider the cases of form

$$g(t, z, y) = a_t + f(y)|z|^2$$

for which we have a unique solution for any terminal condition in  $L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ <sup>4</sup>

- If  $g(t, 0, 0) = 0$ , then **normalisation** is guaranteed.
- Convexity of  $g$  in  $(y, z)$  provides a **convex** risk measures.
- When  $g$  does not depend on  $y$ , then **cash additive** is satisfied<sup>5</sup>

Other notices of interest

- The future may not be Gaussian, other family of noises considered<sup>6</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Kobilanski (2000) and also Barrieu and El Karoui (2009)

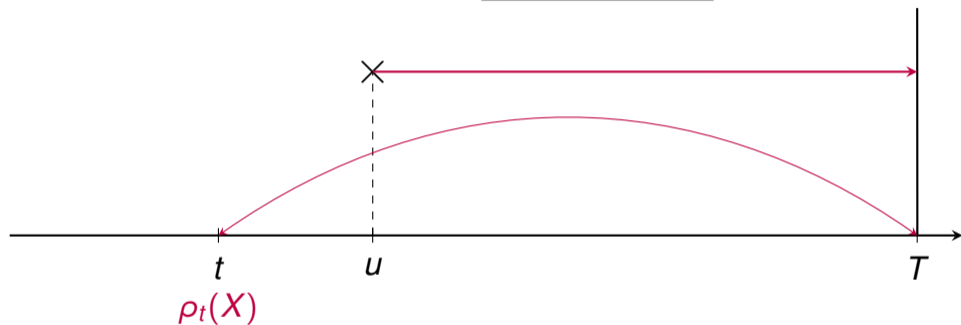
<sup>4</sup> Balhali et al. (2017).

<sup>5</sup> Barrieu and El Karoui (2009), Jiang (2008).

<sup>6</sup> Royer (2006), Quenez, Sulem (2013), Laeven, Stadje(2014, DiNunno, Sjursen (2014), Sulem, Øksendal (2019),...

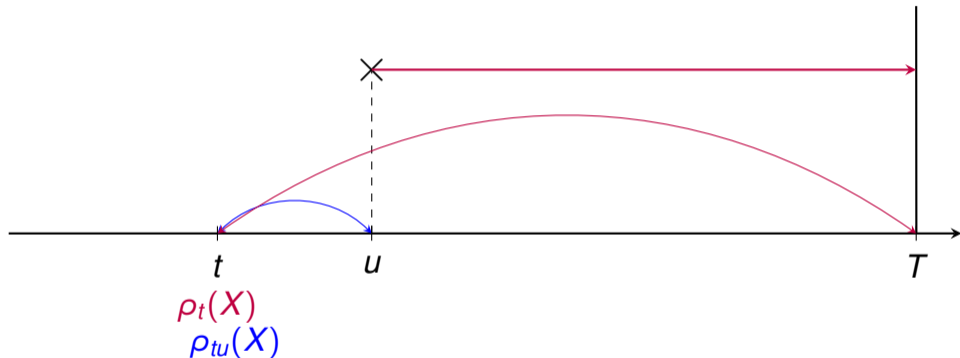
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We then introduce **fully dynamic rm** and **restriction property**, and we quantify horizon risk by the  **$h$ -longevity**<sup>7</sup>.

<sup>7</sup> Fully-dynamic risk measures: Bion-Nadal and DiNunno (2020). Horizon risk: DiNunno and Rosazza Gianin (2024)

## 2. Fully-dynamic risk measures

Fully-dynamic (convex) risk measure is a *family*  $(\rho_{st})_{s,t}$  of risk measures :

$$\rho_{st} : \mathcal{X}_t \longrightarrow \mathcal{X}_s$$

In many applications, we consider each of the risk measure satisfying

- monotonicity, convexity
- cash additivity, i.e. for  $X \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_t)$ ,

$$\rho_{st}(X + m) = \rho_{st}(X) - m, \text{ for all } m \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_s)$$

## Comments

- We do not assume a priori that the risk measures  $\rho_{st}$  are **normalised**, i.e.

$$\rho_{st}(0) = 0, \quad \text{for all } s \leq t,$$

- We do not assume that the risk measures have the **restriction property**, i.e.

$$\rho_{rs}(Y) = \rho_{rt}(Y), \quad \text{for all } Y \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_s), \quad r \leq s \leq t$$

### **Remark: relationship with dynamic risk measures**

*A fully-dynamic risk measure with restriction property corresponds one-to-one with a dynamic risk measure:*

$$\rho_r(Y) = \rho_{rT}(Y) = \rho_{rs}(Y), \quad \text{for all } Y \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_s), \quad r \leq s \leq T.$$

### 3. Horizon risk and H-longevity

Once we **drop restriction**, we allow for the evaluation of **horizon risk**, and we introduce h-longevity as a penalisation for using a risk measure non-appropriate for the time window.

**Definition.** Horizon longevity or **h-longevity** is

$$\gamma(s, t, u, X) := \rho_{su}(X) - \rho_{st}(X) \geq 0$$

for any  $0 \leq t \leq u, X \in \mathcal{X}_t$ .

## Cash additive BSDE approach

Consider a risk measures generated by BSDEs

$$\rho_{tu}(X) = Y_t = -X + \int_t^u g(r, Z_r) dr - \int_t^u Z_r dB_r, \quad X \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_u).$$

**Proposition.** The following properties are equivalent:

- $g(t, 0) = 0$  for any  $t \in [0, T]$ ;
- each  $\rho_{st}$  is normalised;
- $(\rho_{st})_{s,t}$  satisfies the restriction property.

Hence, to register horizon risk, we need BSDEs with  $g(t, 0) \neq 0$ . In fact,

**Proposition.** For a **Lipschitz** driver with  $g(v, 0) \geq 0$  for any  $v$ , h-longevity holds.

Furthermore, with  $\tilde{Q}_X \sim P$  is a suitable probability measure depending on  $X$ , h-longevity is

$$\gamma(s, t, u, X) = E_{\tilde{Q}_X} \left[ \int_t^u g(v, 0) dv \middle| \mathcal{F}_s \right].$$

**Remark. H-entropic type risk measures** derived from the quadratic BSDE

$$Y_t = -X + \int_t^u \left[ b \frac{Z_r^2}{2} + a_r \right] dr - \int_t^u Z_r dB_r$$

with positive  $b$  and  $a_r$ . Then we have

$$\rho_{tu}(X) = \frac{1}{b} \ln \left( E_P \left[ \exp \left( -bX + \int_t^u ba_r dr \right) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right] \right).$$

Hence,  $(\rho_{st})_{s,t}$  is not normalized, does not satisfy the restriction property, but it shows has h-longevity.

## 4. LONG horizons, money, interest rates

Over long time horizons and in unstable times, the value of money cannot be neglected. So we have to embed the **uncertainty on interest rates** in risk evaluation.

Then we enter the domain of **cash subadditive risk measure**<sup>8</sup>.

Risks are now expressed in unit of money where  $\epsilon_t$  is the unit of money at time  $t$ . Hence a financial investment at time  $t$  is denoted  $X \epsilon_t$ , where  $X$  is its volume.

Let  $(D_{tu})_{0 \leq t \leq u \leq T}$  be the family of discount factors  $D_{st}$  on the time interval  $(t, u]$ :

$$0 < d_{tu} \leq D_{tu} \epsilon_u \leq 1.$$

The unit of measurement for  $D_{tu}$  is  $1 / \epsilon_u$ .

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<sup>8</sup> El Karouui, Ravanelli (2009) and for the static case Filipovic (2008).

For any *cash additive* fully-dynamic risk measure  $(\varphi_{tu})_{0 \leq t \leq u \leq T}$  we define

$$\rho_{tu}(X) \triangleq \varphi_{tu}(D_{tu}X \in_t), \quad X \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_u).$$

Indeed,  $\rho_{tu}$  is **cash subadditive**. For any  $X \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_u)$  and  $m \in L^p_+(\mathcal{F}_t)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{tu}(X + m) &= \varphi_{tu}(D_{tu}(X + m) \in_u) \\ &\geq \varphi_{tu}(D_{tu}X \in_u + m) = \varphi_{tu}(D_{tu}X \in_u) - m \\ &= \rho_{tu}(X) - m, \end{aligned}$$

thanks to monotonicity and  $D_{tu} \in_u \leq 1$ .

Another cash subadditive risk measure generated by the **ambiguity** of the interest rates is given by:

$$\mathcal{R}_{tu}(X) \triangleq \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{0 < d_{tu} \leq D_{tu} \in_u \leq 1} \varphi_{tu}(D_{tu}X \in_u)$$

In the framework of **cash non-additive** risk measures we can study h-longevity, normalisation, and time-consistency.

## Cash non-additivity and BSDE

In a dynamic setting, we can generate cash non-additive risk measures from BSDEs with explicit dependence on  $Y$  in the driver:

$$Y_t = -X + \int_t^u g(s, Y_s, Z_s) ds - \int_t^u Z_s dB_s$$

- In particular, if  $g(s, y, z)$  is decreasing in  $y$  for all  $(s, z)$ , then  $\rho_{tu}$  is cash subadditive<sup>9</sup>.

### Proposition.

- $\rho_{tu}$  has **restriction** if and only if  $g(t, y, 0) = 0$  for a.a.  $t, y$ .
- If  $g$  Lipschitz or if  $g(t, y, z) = a_t + f(y)|z|^2$  with  $f$  continuous, then  $\rho_{tu}$  is **normalised** if and only if  $g(t, 0, 0) = 0$ .

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<sup>9</sup> See El Karoui, Ravanelli 2009)

## Proposition for $g$ Lipschitz

**H-longevity** holds if and only if  $g(t, y, 0) \geq 0$  for any  $t, y$ . Furthermore, we have

$$\gamma(s, t, u, X) = E_{\tilde{Q}_X} \left[ e^{\int_s^u \Delta_y g(v) dv} \int_t^u g(v, -X, 0) dv \middle| \mathcal{F}_s \right], \quad s \leq t \leq u, X \in L^p(\mathcal{F}_t),$$

where  $\tilde{Q}_X \sim P$  is a suitable probability measure depending on  $X$  and

$$\Delta_y g(v) \triangleq \frac{g(v, Y_v^u, Z_v^u) - g(v, \bar{Y}_v^t, Z_v^u)}{Y_v^u - \bar{Y}_v^t} \mathbf{1}_{\{Y_v^t \neq \bar{Y}_v^u\}} \quad \bar{Y}_v^t = \begin{cases} Y_v^t; & v \leq t \\ -X; & t < v \leq u \end{cases}$$

The probability  $\tilde{Q}_X$  can be interpreted as an **h-longevity premium measure**.<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>10</sup> Di Nunno, Rosazza Gianin (2024).

## 5. hq-entropic risk measures on losses

Driven by considerations on capital requirements on potential losses in long term horizons, we consider

$$Y_t = X + \int_t^u \left[ \frac{q}{2} \frac{Z_s^2}{1 + (1-q)Y_s} + a(s) \right] ds - \int_t^T Z_s dB_s$$

The solution of such BSDE is Tsallis generalised entropy

$$Y_t = \ln_q E \left[ \exp_q \left( X + \int_t^u a(s) ds \right) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

given in terms of the **generalised q-exponential** and **q-logarithmic functions** for  $q \in (0, 1)$ :

$$\exp_q(x) = [1 - (1-q)x]^{\frac{1}{1-q}}, \quad x \geq -\frac{1}{1-q}$$

and

$$\ln_q(x) = \frac{x^{1-q} - 1}{1-q}, \quad x \geq 0$$

**Definition.** The **hq-entropic measure on losses** is then

$$\rho_{tu}^{hq}(X) = \ln_q E_P \left[ \exp_q \left( (X + \beta)^- + \alpha_q + \int_t^u a_s ds \right) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right],$$

here  $\beta$  represents a level of acceptable loss, while  $\alpha_q \geq \frac{1}{q-1}$  and  $q \in (0, 1)$  provide how conservative the risk evaluation should be.

This risk measure is **convex**, **cash subadditive**, **NOT normalised**, **NOT restricted**, and there is **h-longevity** whenever  $a_s > 0$ .

**Remark.** Take  $a \equiv 0$ . For a fixed  $q$ , the higher is the value  $\alpha_q$ , the more conservative is the corresponding measure  $\rho_{tu}^q(X)$ . In fact,

$$\alpha_q^1 \leq \alpha_q^2 \implies \ln_q E \left[ \exp_q((X + \beta)^- + \alpha_q^1) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right] \leq \ln_q E \left[ \exp_q((X + \beta)^- + \alpha_q^2) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right].$$

**Proposition.** Take  $a \equiv 0$ . For any  $X \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_u)$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , the q-entropic risk measure on losses  $\rho_{tu}^q$  is increasing in  $q$  and  $\alpha_0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_1$  and

$$E_P[(X + \beta)^- + \alpha_0 | \mathcal{F}_t] = \rho_{tu}^0(X) \leq \rho_{tu}^q(X) \leq \rho_{tu}^1(X) = \ln E_P[\exp(X + \beta)^- + \alpha_1 | \mathcal{F}_t].$$

## 6. Computational aspects: evaluation vs operator

- Classical numerical methods for BSDEs are established for the calculation of  $\mathcal{E}^g(\xi|\mathcal{F}_t)$  for a fixed  $\xi$ .
- Instead, we will propose a numerical method to approximate the entire operator<sup>11</sup>.

Indeed, approximations for a "fixed terminal condition" imply that whenever one needs to evaluate the solution at a different position, the algorithm needs to be re-executed from scratch.

The operator solution instead provides an immediate evaluation. This is particularly interesting when we wish to evaluate the risks with (path-wise) functional different types.

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<sup>11</sup> Joint work with Diaz Lozano (2025)

## Context.

We consider **Lipschitz type BSDEs** with  $g$  standard and any  $\xi$  terminal condition.

- Then the solution operators  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z})$  are Lipschitz:

$$\mathcal{Y}: \begin{array}{ccc} L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{R}) \\ \xi & \mapsto & Y \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}: \begin{array}{ccc} L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{R}^d) \\ \xi & \mapsto & Z \end{array}$$

- **Wiener chaos expansion.** Any  $\xi \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ , admits representation

$$\xi = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} d_a \times \prod_{i \geq 1} H_{a_i} \left( \int_0^T h_i(s) \cdot dB_s \right).$$

- $\mathcal{A} = \{(\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots), \mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, \sum \mathbf{a}_i < \infty\}$ , i.e. in all the sequences only a finite number of terms does not vanish;
- $(h_i)_{i \geq 1}$  orthonormal basis of  $L^2([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $H_n$  Hermite polynomial of order  $n$ .

- **Associated  $\infty$ -dim SDEs:** When considering

$$\xi = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} d_a X_T^{(a_1, a_2, \dots)} \quad \text{with} \quad X_t^{(a_1, a_2, \dots)} := \prod_{i \geq 1} H_{a_i} \left( \int_0^t h_i(s) \cdot dB_s \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{A}},$$

We see that  $X = (X_t)_t$  satisfies the  $\infty$ -dimensional linear SDE

$$dX_t = b(t, X_t)dt + \sigma(t, X_t)dB_t,$$

for some explicitly given coefficients.

- Then we connect the solution of the BSDE to the solution of the  $\infty$ -dim FBSDE system:

$$X_t = x_0 + \int_0^t b(s, X_s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s)dB_s$$

$$Y_t = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} d_a X_T^a + \int_t^T g(s, Y_s, Z_s)ds - \int_t^T Z_s \cdot dB_s.$$

- **Markovian structure.** For every  $\xi \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ , there exist  $u, v \in L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^A; \nu)$  such that

$$Y_t = u(t, X_t), \quad Z_t = v(t, X_t),$$

where  $\nu$  is the pushforward finite measure of the law of  $(X_t)_t$  on  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^A$ .

- This provides two ways of looking at the solution operators of the BSDE:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Y}: L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{R}) \\ \xi & \mapsto & Y \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Z}: L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{R}^d) \\ \xi & \mapsto & Z \end{array}$$

or

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Y}: L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^A, \nu) \\ \xi & \mapsto & u \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Z}: L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \rightarrow & L^2([0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^A, \nu) \\ \xi & \mapsto & v \end{array}.$$

equivalent to the functionals

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z}: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^A \times L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d \\ & \longmapsto & (\mathcal{Y}(\xi)(t, x), \mathcal{Z}(\xi)(t, x)) \end{array}$$

- **An Operator Euler scheme for BSDEs**

Set  $\pi := \{t_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq n} \subset [0, T]$  and define recursively

$$\mathcal{Z}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Y}_i^\pi : L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) \rightarrow L^2(\mathcal{F}_{t_i}), \quad i = n-1, \dots, 0,$$

by

$$\mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(\xi) := \frac{1}{\Delta t_i} \mathbb{E}_{t_i} [\mathcal{Y}_{i+1}^\pi(\xi) \Delta B_{t_i}], \quad \mathcal{Z}_n^\pi(\xi) := 0$$

$$\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(\xi) := \mathbb{E}_{t_i} [\mathcal{Y}_{i+1}^\pi(\xi)] + \Delta t_i \times g(t_i, \mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(\xi), \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(\xi)), \quad \mathcal{Y}_n^\pi(\xi) := \xi.$$

## Convergence of the Operator Euler scheme for BSDEs

To measure the regularity of the solution operator of the BSDE, we define, for  $\pi := \{t_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq n} \subset [0, T]$ , the functionals  $(\mathcal{R}^Y, \mathcal{R}^Z)(\cdot, \pi): L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\mathcal{R}^Y(\xi, \pi) := \max_{i=0, \dots, n-1} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}]} |\mathcal{Y}_t(\xi) - \mathcal{Y}_{t_i}(\xi)|^2 \right]$$

and

$$\mathcal{R}^Z(\xi, \pi) := \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} |\mathcal{Z}_t(\xi) - \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^\pi(\xi)|^2 dt \right], \quad \bar{\mathcal{Z}}_i^\pi(\xi) := \frac{1}{\Delta t_i} \mathbb{E}_{t_i} \left[ \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \mathcal{Z}_t(\xi) dt \right].$$

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Define the error as

$$\mathcal{E}(\xi, \pi) := \max_{0 \leq i \leq n-1} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}]} |\mathcal{Y}_t(\xi) - \mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(\xi)|^2 \right] + \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} |\mathcal{Z}_t(\xi) - \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(\xi)|^2 dt \right].$$

Then we have:

$$\mathcal{E}(\xi, \pi) \leq C \left( |\pi| + \mathcal{R}^Y(\xi, \pi) + \mathcal{R}^Z(\xi, \pi) \right).$$

- **Pointwise convergence:** for each  $\xi$ , we have  $\mathcal{E}(\xi, \pi) \rightarrow 0$  when  $|\pi| \rightarrow 0$
- **Uniform convergence in compact subsets:** if  $\pi_n \subset \pi_{n+1}$ , then for all compact subsets  $K \subset L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ ,

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Recalling the equivalence between the solution operators  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z})$  and some measurable functionals  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z})$ , we can now express the approximations  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi)$  in terms of  $X_{t_i}$ .

We prove an equivalent version for the approximation  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi)$ .

**Theorem** For  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$ , there exist measurable functionals  $\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi: \mathbb{R}^A \times L^2(\mathcal{F}_T) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d$  such that

$$\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(\xi) = \mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(X_{t_i}, \xi), \quad \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(\xi) = \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(X_{t_i}, \xi) \quad \mathbb{P} - \text{a.s.}$$

In the implementation, we will have to compute these functionals  $\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi$  by approximations over a finite-dim domain.

**Theorem: Convergence of the finite-dimensional approximation** Let  $p, M \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, for all  $\xi \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{0 \leq i \leq n} \mathbb{E} |\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi(X_{t_i}, \xi) - (\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi \circ \Pi)(X_{t_i}, \xi)|^2 \\ & + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathbb{E} \left[ \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} |\mathcal{Z}_i^\pi(X_{t_i}, \xi) - (\mathcal{Z}_i^\pi \circ \Pi)(X_{t_i}, \xi)|^2 dt \right] \leq C \mathbb{E} |\xi - \Pi_{p, M}(\xi)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

## Comments

- Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  denote the maximum order of the chaos decomposition, and  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  the number of elements in the truncated basis of  $L^2([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^d)$ . For  $\xi \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_T)$ , we define its projection

$$\Pi_{p,M}(\xi) := \sum_{k=0}^p \sum_{|a|=k} d_a X_T^a, \quad a = (a_1, \dots, a_M). \quad (1)$$

Recall that each  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_M)$  with  $|a| = k$  means that  $\sum_{j=1}^M a_j = k$ .

The dimension of  $\Pi_{p,M}(L^2(\mathcal{F}_T))$  is finite.

- When we restrict the terminal condition  $\xi$  to  $\Pi_{p,M}(L^2(\mathcal{F}_T))$ , the  $\infty$ -dim FBSDE is equivalent to a finite-dimensional one, since the terminal condition only depends on a finite number of dimensions of the forward SDE.

## 7. Deep Operator BSDE - numerical example

Due to the high dimensionality of the projection, we choose **to use neural networks to approximate the maps**  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi \circ \Pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi \circ \Pi)_{i=0, \dots, n-1}$ .

We call such method the **Deep Operator BSDE**.

- We first fix the generator  $g$ , and train the method on 28 families of terminal conditions, each one with 1 – 3 parameters.
- We approximate the coefficients of the truncated chaos expansion for several terminal conditions belonging to this subset, from which we keep the maximum and the minimum along each  $a \in \mathcal{A}_{p,M}$  to find the coefficients and the compact subset for approximating the solution operator.
- Note that the method does not see the individual families during training, which underlines that the learned solution operator is genuinely defined on a much higher dimensional domain.

- We choose to model  $(\mathcal{Y}_i^\pi, \mathcal{Z}_i^\pi)$  with the Multilevel Neural Networks presented in Julius Berner et. al. (2020)<sup>12</sup>. The number of parameters is around 2.8M.
- We choose  $p = 3$  and  $M = 5$ . The time partition  $\pi$  for the Euler scheme is  $\pi = \{i \times \frac{T}{10} : 0 \leq i \leq 10\}$ .

We set the dimension of the Brownian motion to  $d = 2$ . The number of chaos coefficients is 286.

- As for the baseline, we use the method proposed in Briand and Labart (2014)<sup>13</sup>.

NOTE that these baseline methods evaluate the solution operators at a particular terminal condition, while our proposed methodology learns the whole solution operator.

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<sup>12</sup>J. Berner et. al. "Numerically solving parametric families of high-dimensional kolmogorov partial differential equations via deep learning", 2020

<sup>13</sup>P. Briand and C. Labart. "Simulation of BSDEs by Wiener Chaos Expansion". Annals Appl. Probab. 24.3 (2014), pp. 1129–1171.

## Numerical results

We consider the case of pricing and hedging of options in a Black-Scholes setting of dimension 2. The dynamics are given by

$$S_t^j = s_0^j e^{(\mu^j - (\sigma^j)^2/2)t + \sigma^j B_t^j}, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \quad j = \{1, 2\}, \quad \langle B^1, B^2 \rangle_t = \rho t.$$

If one assumes that the borrowing rate  $R$  is higher than the lending rate  $r$ , pricing and hedging an option  $\xi$  is equivalent to solving a BSDE with terminal condition  $\xi$  and nonlinear generator  $g$  defined by

$$g(t, y, z) = -ry - \theta \cdot z + (R - r) \left( y - (\Sigma^{-1}z)_1 - (\Sigma^{-1}z)_2 \right)_-.$$

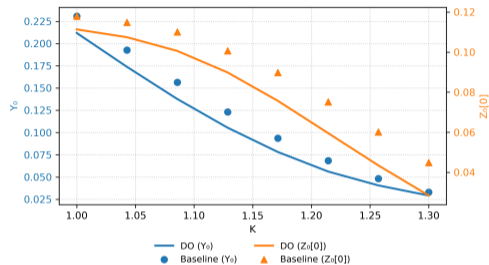
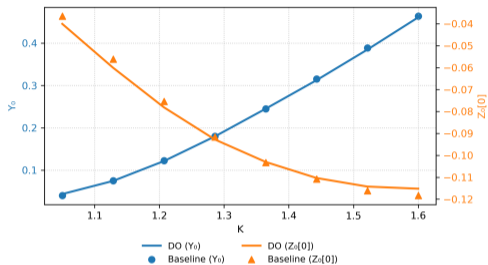
We assess the discrepancy between the Deep Operator BSDE and the baseline using the scaled relative error

$$\text{err}_Y(\xi) = \frac{|\mathcal{Y}_0^{\text{DO}}(\xi) - \mathcal{Y}_0^{\text{Base}}(\xi)|}{1 + |\mathcal{Y}_0^{\text{Base}}(\xi)|},$$

with an analogous definition for  $Z$ .

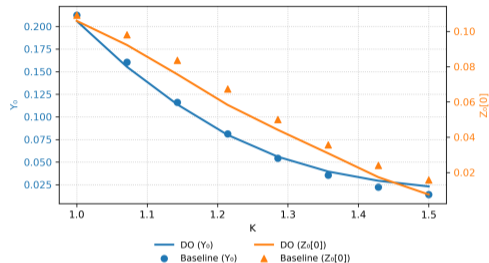
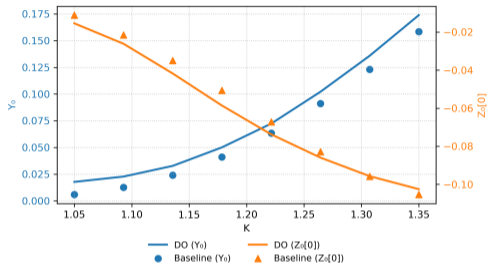
Option	$err_Y (\times 10^{-3})$	$err_Z (\times 10^{-2})$
Call – Single	$2.21 \pm 0.65$	$0.41 \pm 0.06$
Call – Basket Weighted	$2.58 \pm 0.74$	$0.41 \pm 0.07$
Call – Spread	$7.54 \pm 1.08$	$0.25 \pm 0.04$
Call – Max	$3.66 \pm 0.42$	$0.58 \pm 0.07$
Call – Min	$1.75 \pm 0.98$	$0.32 \pm 0.03$
Call – Geometric	$2.56 \pm 0.73$	$0.41 \pm 0.06$
Call – Ratio	$6.28 \pm 1.02$	$0.25 \pm 0.04$
Put – Single	$3.60 \pm 0.16$	$0.24 \pm 0.09$
Put – Basket Weighted	$3.19 \pm 0.28$	$0.26 \pm 0.09$
Put – Spread	$7.53 \pm 1.09$	$0.27 \pm 0.04$
Put – Max	$1.43 \pm 0.38$	$0.18 \pm 0.04$
Put – Min	$1.38 \pm 0.49$	$0.38 \pm 0.10$
Put – Geometric	$3.08 \pm 0.27$	$0.26 \pm 0.09$
Put – Ratio	$6.52 \pm 1.02$	$0.35 \pm 0.06$
Asian Call – Single	$11.00 \pm 0.76$	$1.33 \pm 0.07$
Asian Put – Single	$7.07 \pm 1.39$	$0.20 \pm 0.03$
Asian Call – Basket Weighted	$10.87 \pm 0.80$	$1.21 \pm 0.10$
Asian Put – Basket Weighted	$8.01 \pm 1.35$	$0.18 \pm 0.04$
Asian Call – Spread	$2.13 \pm 0.66$	$1.01 \pm 0.08$
Asian Put – Spread	$2.17 \pm 0.64$	$1.00 \pm 0.08$
Asian Call – Max	$13.06 \pm 0.83$	$1.58 \pm 0.08$
Asian Put – Max	$9.53 \pm 1.16$	$0.30 \pm 0.06$
Asian Call – Min	$3.22 \pm 1.11$	$0.98 \pm 0.09$
Asian Put – Min	$3.64 \pm 1.14$	$0.28 \pm 0.13$

**Table:** Summary of some option families and their errors (mean  $\pm$  std).



**Left:** Put – Max options,  $\xi(K) = (K - \max(S_T^1, S_T^2))_+$ ,  $K \in [1.05, 1.60]$ .

**Right:** Asian Call – Max options,  $\xi(K) = \left( \frac{1}{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \max(S_{t_j}^1, S_{t_j}^2) - K \right)_+$ ,  $K \in [1.00, 1.30]$ .



**Left:** Asian Put – Max options,  $\xi(K) = \left( K - \frac{1}{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} \max(S_{t_j}^1, S_{t_j}^2) \right)_+$ ,  $K \in [1.05, 1.35]$ .

**Right:** Call – Max options,  $\xi(K) = (\max(S_T^1, S_T^2) - K)_+$ ,  $K \in [1.00, 1.50]$ .

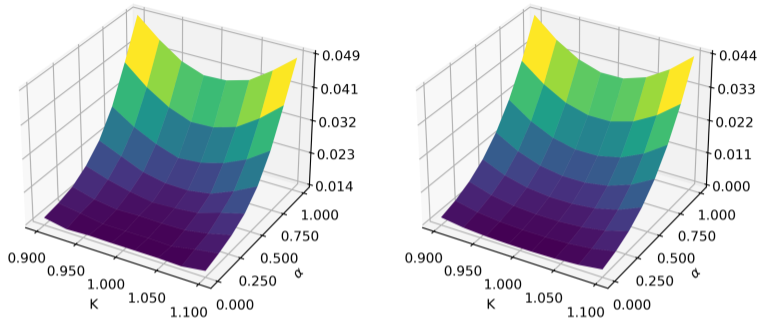


Figure: Comparison of  $Y_0$ .

Asian Put – Basket weighted options,  $\xi(K, \alpha) = \left( K - \frac{1}{10} \sum_{j=1}^{10} (\alpha S_{t_j}^1 + (1 - \alpha) S_{t_j}^2) \right)_+$ ,  
 $K \in [0.90, 1.10]$ ,  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ .

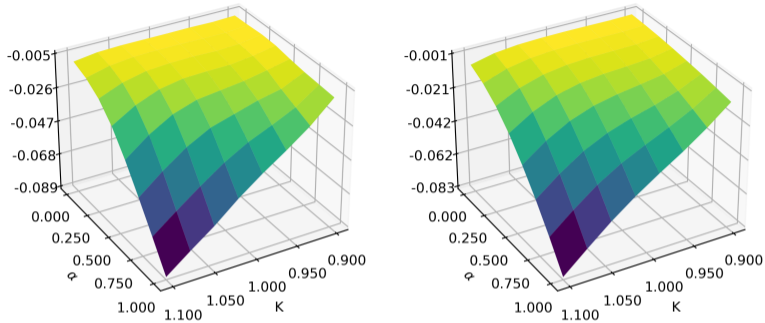


Figure: Comparison of  $Z_0$ .

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