Stochastic differential equations as jets and an application to filtering

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Outline

- Part I: Coordinate free SDEs with jets
- Part II: Projection of SDEs
- Part III: PAn application to filtering

Section 1

Coordinate free SDEs

Coordinate free SDEs

Approaches to SDEs on manifolds

- Itô: coordinate based approach.
- Elworthy: Stratonovich calculus
- Schwarz, Emery: second order tangent vectors, diffusors and Schwartz morphism.
- Y. Belopolskaja and Y. Dalecky, Gliklikh: Itô-bundle
- This talk: 2-jets.

Goals:

- Can we give a formulation of SDEs that makes their geometry more apparent?
- Can we understand SDEs using familiar geometric objects?

Applications

What are the applications?

- We can draw a picture of an SDE.
- We obtain new numerical schemes for solving SDEs on manifolds.
- We can define a new, optimal, notion of projection that allows us to approximate high-dimensional SDEs with low dimensional SDEs.

Tangent vectors (hence ODEs on manifolds)

The coordinate based approach:

Definition

Let M^n be an *n*-dimensional manifold. A <u>tangent vector</u> at a point $x \in M$ is defined to be an equivalence class of pairs:

$$(\mathbf{v},\phi)=((\mathbf{v}^1,\mathbf{v}^2,\ldots,\mathbf{v}^n),\phi)$$

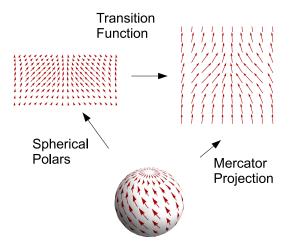
where v is a vector in \mathbb{R}^n and ϕ is a chart.

$$(v,\phi)\sim(w,\Phi)$$
 if and only if $v^j=\sum_irac{\partial au^j}{\partial x^i}w^i,$

where $\tau = \Phi \circ \phi^{-1}$ is the transition function.

Pictorial representation

Vector fields are pairs of a components charts that transform correctly from one coordinate system to another.



SDE on manifold

Itô's approach:

Definition

Let M^n be an *n*-dimensional manifold. An SDE at a point $x \in M$ is defined to be an equivalence class of quadruples: (W_t, ϕ, a, b)

$$(W_t, \phi, a, b) \sim (V_t, \Phi, A, B)$$
 if
$$\begin{cases} W_t = V_t \\ A^j = a^j \partial_j \tau^i + \frac{1}{2} b^j_{\alpha} b^k_{\beta} g^{\alpha\beta} \partial_j \partial_k \tau^i \\ B^j = b^j_{\alpha} \partial_j \tau^i \end{cases}$$

for the transition function $au = \Phi \circ \phi^{-1}$.

Here $g^{\alpha\beta} = [W^{\alpha}, W^{\beta}]_t$ denotes the quadratic covariation of W^{α} and W^{β} . We are using the Einstein summation convention.

Vector: Operator definition

Derivation:

• A function
$$D: C^{\infty}(x) \to \mathbb{R}$$
 satisfying:

• D(af + bg) = aD(f) + bD(g) when $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

•
$$D(fg) = f, D(g) + g D(f)$$
 when $f, g \in C^{\infty}(x)$

• where $C^{\infty}(x)$ is set of germs of smooth functions

Germ at x: f ~ g if f(y) = g(y) for all y in some neighbourhood U ∋ x

Example

1.
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$
 is a derivation.

2. Given a vector $V \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$V(f) := \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x+hV) - f(x)}{h}$$

is a derivation on \mathbb{R}^n .

SDE: Operator definitions

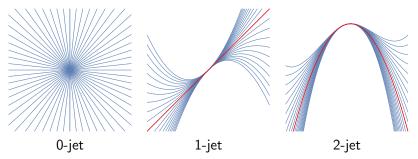
- To an SDE we can associate the forward and backwards diffusion operators acting on, respectively, densities and functions.
- We can read off the coefficients of an SDE from the the coefficients of the operator.

Jets

- A k-jet of a smooth path is defined as an equivalence class of paths with the same Taylor series up to given order.
- Given two smooth functions $f, g: M \to N$ satisfying f(0) = g(0) we say

$$j_k(f)=j_k(g)$$

if f and g have the same Taylor series expansion (in any charts) up to order k.



Vectors as jets. Vector <u>fields</u> as infinitesimal diffeomorphisms

Definition

A vector at x is a 1-jet of a path starting at x.



A vector field defines a flow, i.e. a 1-parameter family of diffeomorphisms.



Definitions of tangent vectors and SDEs

Approach	ODE	SDE
	Index notation	Itô's definition
Operators	Derivations	Diffusion operators, 2nd or-
		der tangent vectors
Jets	1-jets	2-jets_
Diffeomorphisms	Vector flows	Stratonovich Calculus

Euler Scheme

All being well in the limit the Euler scheme

$$\delta X_t = a(X)\,\delta t + b(X)\,\delta W_t$$

converges to a solution of the SDE

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = a(X)\,\mathrm{d}t + b(X)\,\mathrm{d}W_t$$

- d, δ , + imply vector space structure
- This is highly coordinate dependent

Curved Scheme

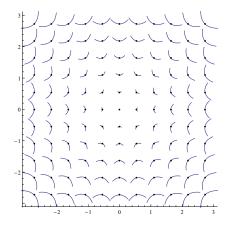
Let γ_x be a choice of curve at each point x of M. $\gamma_x(0) = x$.

Consider the scheme

$$X_{t+\delta t} = \gamma_{X_t}(\delta W_t) \qquad X_0$$

Concrete example

$$\gamma^{E}_{(x_1,x_2)}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$$



- First order term is rotational vector
- Second order term is axial vector

Simulation: Large time step

$$\gamma_{(x_1,x_2)}^{E}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$$

Simulation: Smaller time step

$$\gamma_{(x_1,x_2)}^{E}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$$

Simulation: Even smaller

$$\gamma_{(x_1,x_2)}^{E}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$$

Simulation: Convergence

 $\gamma_{(x_1,x_2)}^{\mathsf{L}}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$ · · Jetter \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow $\dot{}$ ~ r r f f f 1 7 7

Formal argument

Write:

$$\gamma_x(s) = x + \gamma'_x(0)s + \frac{1}{2}\gamma''_x(0)s^2 + O(s^3)$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} X_{t+\delta t} &= \gamma_t (\delta W_t) \\ &= X_t + \gamma'_{X_t}(0) \delta W_t + \frac{1}{2} \gamma'' X_t(0) (\delta W_t)^2 + O\left((\delta W_t)^3 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging:

$$\delta X_t = X_{t+\delta t} - X_t = \gamma'_{X_t}(0)\delta W_t + \frac{1}{2}\gamma'' X_t(0)(\delta W_t)^2 + O\left((\delta W_t)^3\right)$$

Taking the limit:

$$dX_t = b(X)dW_t + a(X)(dW_t)^2 + O\left((dW_t)^3\right)$$
$$= b(X)dW_t + a(X)dt$$

where

$$b(X) = \gamma'_X(0)$$

 $a(X) = \gamma''_X(0)/2$

Comments

- The curved scheme depends only on the 2-jet of the curve
- SDEs driven by 1-d Brownian motion are determined by 2-jets of curves
- The first derivative determines the volatility term
- The second derivative determines the drift term

ODEs correspond to 1-jets of curves SDEs correspond to 2-jets of curves

 Rigorous proof of convergence of quadratic scheme can be proved using standard results on Euler scheme

$$dX_t = a(X)dt + b(X)dW_t$$

= $a(X) (d(W_t^2) - 2W_t d(W_t)) + b(X)dW_t$
 $\approx a(X) (\delta(W_t^2) - 2W_t \delta(W_t)) + b(X)\delta W_t$
= $a(X) ((\delta W_t)^2) + b(X)\delta W_t$

► For general curved schemes some analysis needed.

Itô's lemma

Given a family of curves γ_x we will write:

$$X_t \smile j_2(\gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t))$$

if X_t is the limit of our scheme. If

$$X_t \smile j_2(\gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t))$$

and $f: X \to Y$ then:

$$f(X)_t \smile j_2 \left(f \circ \gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t) \right)$$

Itô's lemma is simply composition of functions.

Usual formulation

$$X_t \smile j_2(\gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t))$$

Is equivalent to:

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = a(X)\mathrm{d}t + b(X)\mathrm{d}W_t, \quad a(X) = \frac{1}{2}\gamma_X''(0), \quad b(X) = \gamma_X'(0)$$

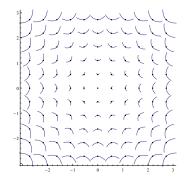
We calculate the first two derivatives of $f \circ \gamma_X$:

$$(f \circ \gamma_X)'(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} (\gamma_X(t)) \frac{\mathrm{d}\gamma_X}{\mathrm{d}t}$$
$$(f \circ \gamma_X)''(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (\gamma_X(t)) \frac{\mathrm{d}\gamma_X^i}{\mathrm{d}t} \frac{\mathrm{d}\gamma_X^j}{\mathrm{d}t}$$
$$+ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} (\gamma_X(t)) \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \gamma_X}{\mathrm{d}t^2}$$

So $f(X_t) \smile j_2 \left(f \circ \gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t) \right)$ is equivalent to standard Itô's formula

Example

$$\gamma_{(x_1,x_2)}^{E}(s) = (x_1,x_2) + s(-x_2,x_1) + 3s^2(x_1,x_2)$$

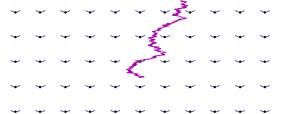


Clearly polar coordinates might be a good idea. So consider the transformation $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 / \{0\} \to [-\pi, \pi] \times \mathbb{R}$ by:

 $\phi(\exp(s)\cos(\theta),\exp(s)\sin(\theta))=(\theta,s),$



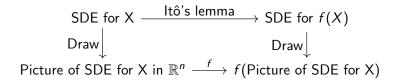
The process $j_2(\phi \circ \gamma^E)$ plotted using image manipulation software



The process $j_2(\phi \circ \gamma^E)$ plotted by applying Itô's lemma

$$\mathrm{d}(\theta,s) = \left(0,\frac{7}{2}\right) \,\mathrm{d}t + (1,0) \,\mathrm{d}W_t.$$

The following diagram commutes:



Stratonovich formulation

• Let \overline{a} and b be vector fields on M.

Define

$$\gamma_{x}(s) = \Phi_{s^{2}}^{\overline{a}}\left(\Phi_{s}^{b}(x)\right)$$

where Φ_s^X is the flow associated with a vector field X.

- This defines a field of curves and hence an SDE
- This is a geometric interpretation of the relation between Stratonovich and Itô calculus.
- Application: following these flows should give numerical approximations to SDEs which stay closer to an embedded manifold than the Euler scheme.

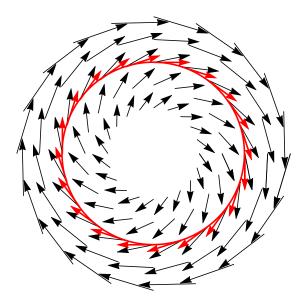
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I've only discussed SDEs driven by 1-d Brownian motion.			
Considering 2-jets of maps $\mathbb{R}^k o M$ gives a similar theory for			
higher dimensional drivers.			

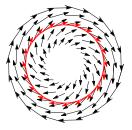
Section 2

Projection

Idea: Projection



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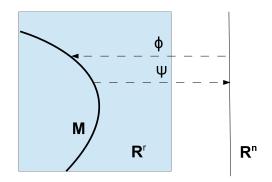


- Projection gives a method of systematically reducing the dimension of an ODE
- Projection onto a linear subspace is the standard numerical method for solving PDEs
- Projecting onto a curved manifold may be more effective if we know the solution is close to this manifold
- e.g. perhaps the known soliton solutions to the KdV equation might give good approximations to solutions to a pertubed KdeV equation?

Projecting SDEs

- Question: How should the notion of projection be extended to stochastic differential equations?
- Answer:
 - There is a <u>Stratonovich Projection</u> which is best understood using Stratonovich calculus.
 - There is an <u>Itô-vector Projection</u> which is best understood using Itô's coordinate formulation.
 - There is an <u>Itô-jet Projection</u> which is best understood by using 2-jets.

Setup

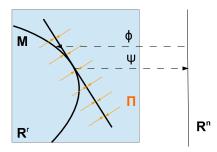


- *M* is a submanifold of \mathbb{R}^r
- $\psi: U \to \mathbb{R}^n$ is a chart for M
- $\blacktriangleright \ \phi = \psi^{-1}$
- We have an SDE on \mathbb{R}^r

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = \mathbf{a}\,\mathrm{d}t + \sum_\alpha b_\alpha\,\mathrm{d}W_t^\alpha, \qquad X_0$$

and want to approximate this using an SDE on \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition: Stratonovich projection



1. Write the SDE in Stratonovich form

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = \overline{a(X_t)}\,\mathrm{d}t + \sum_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}(X_t)\,\circ\mathrm{d}W_t^{\alpha}, \qquad X_0$$

2. Apply the projection operator Π to each coefficient to obtain an SDE on M

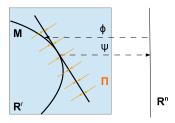
$$\mathrm{d}X_t = \Pi_{X_t}\overline{a(X_t)}\,\mathrm{d}t + \sum_{\alpha}\Pi_{X_t}b_{\alpha}(X_t)\,\circ\mathrm{d}W_t^{\alpha}, \qquad \psi(X_0)$$

Justifications

What are the justifications for using the Stratonovich projection?

- It is clearly a well defined SDE. (Contrast with projecting Itô coefficients)
- It is clearly generalizes projection of ODEs i.e. when b = 0 we get ODE projection.
- It gives good numerical results when applied to the filtering problem
- It generalizes the Galerkin method which can be interpreted as projection onto a linear subspace.

A justification for ODE projection



• Consider an ODE on \mathbb{R}^r

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}X}{\mathrm{d}t} = a(X), \qquad X_0$$

• Look for an ODE on \mathbb{R}^n of the form

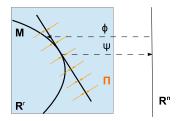
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t} = a(x), \qquad \psi(X_0)$$

such that

$$|\phi(x_t) - X_t|^2$$

is as small as possible.

A justification for ODE projection

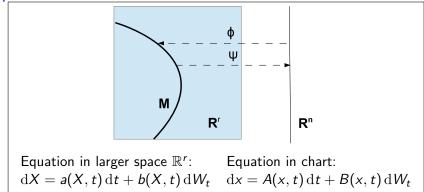


 Compute Taylor expansion to see that leading term is minimized when:

$$a(\psi(x_0)) = \psi_* \Pi_{X_0} A(x_0)$$

- Therefore ODE projection is the unique asymptotically optimal ODE approximating the original ODE at all points on *M*.
- (Linear projection operator gives solution to a quadratic optimization problem)

Repeat idea for SDEs



We have Itô Taylor series estimates (Kloeden and Platen):

$$\begin{split} E(|X_t - \phi(x_t)|) &= |b_0 - \phi_* B_0|\sqrt{t} + O(t) \\ |E(X_t - \phi(x_t))| &= \left|a_0 - \phi_* A_0 - \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_{B_{\alpha,0}}\phi_*)B_{\beta,0}[W^{\alpha}, W^{\beta}]\right| t \\ &+ O(t^2) \end{split}$$

Itô-Vector Projection

To minimize first estimate:

$$\phi_*B = \Pi b$$

If we define B like this for whole chart, second estimate is minimized when:

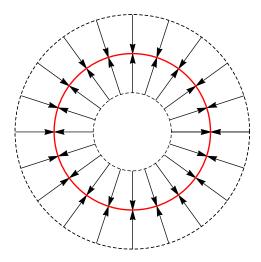
$$\phi_*A = \Pi a - rac{1}{2} \Pi (
abla_{B_lpha} \phi_*) B_eta [W^lpha, W^eta]$$

- Given ϕ , define A and B using these equations
- This defines an SDE on the manifold
- We call this the Itô-vector projection
- It is different from the Stratonovich projection

Alternative

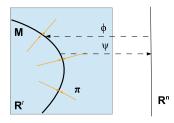
- The use of a weak estimate seems somewhat unsatisfactory.
- An alternative derivation is to compute the strong Itô-Taylor series to one extra order and to try to minimize the coefficient of t.
- This again yields the Itô-vector projection
- Note that this is also somewhat unsatisfactory: whey minimize a term of order t if you can't get the term of order t^{1/2} to vanish?

Metric projection map



Let π denote the smooth map defined on a tubular neighbourhood of M that projects \mathbb{R}^r onto M along geodesics.

An alternative justification for ODE projection



$$\frac{|\phi(x_t) - X_t|^2}{|\phi(x_t) - \pi(X_t)|^2}$$

is as small as possible.

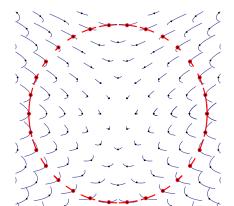
Itô-jet projection

Definition If original SDE is:

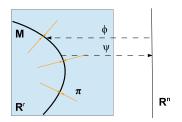
$$X_t \smile j_2\left(\gamma_x(\mathrm{d}W_t)\right)$$

then intrinsic Itô projection is:

$$x_t \smile j_2 \left(\pi \circ \gamma_x(\mathrm{d} W_t)\right)$$



Itô-jet projection



Repeating the ideas used to derive the Itô-vector projection:

Theorem

The Itô-jet projection is the best approximation to $\pi(X_t)$ in the sense that it asymptotically minimizes the coefficients in the Taylor series for:

$$\mathsf{E}(|\phi(x_t) - \pi(X_t)|)$$

Note that the term of $O(t^{\frac{1}{2}})$ can be made to vanish. You get the same result if distance is measured using geodesic distance on M in the induced metric.

Local coordinate formulation

Calculate Taylor series for π to second order to compute Itô-jet projection in local coordinates:

$$\mathrm{d} x = A \,\mathrm{d} t + B_\alpha \,\mathrm{d} W_t^\alpha, \qquad x_0$$

where:

$$B^i_lpha=(\pi_*)^i_eta b^eta_lpha$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{A}^{i} &= (\pi_{*})^{i}_{\alpha} \mathsf{a}^{\alpha} + \\ & \left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \phi^{\gamma}}{\partial x^{\alpha} \partial x^{\beta}} (\pi_{*})^{\mathfrak{a}}_{\gamma} (\pi_{*})^{\alpha}_{\delta} (\pi_{*})^{\beta}_{\epsilon} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\partial^{2} \phi^{\epsilon}}{\partial x^{\alpha} \partial x^{\beta}} (\pi_{*})^{\beta}_{\delta} h^{\mathfrak{a}\alpha} - \frac{\partial^{2} \phi^{\gamma}}{\partial x^{\alpha} \partial x^{\beta}} (\pi_{*})^{\beta}_{\epsilon} (\pi_{*})^{\gamma}_{\gamma} (\pi_{*})^{\zeta}_{\delta} h_{\eta\zeta} h^{\mathfrak{a}\alpha} \right) \\ & \times b^{\delta}_{\kappa} b^{\epsilon}_{\iota} [W^{\kappa}, W^{\iota}]_{t}. \end{aligned}$$

h is the induced metric tensor. π_* is the first order projection operator.

Discussion

All three projections are distinct. Which is better?

Lemma

Suppose that S is an SDE for X on \mathbb{R}^r such that $\pi(X)$ solves an SDE S' on M then the Stratonovich and Itô-jet projections are both equal to S'. However, the Itô-vector projection may be different.

Example

The "cross diffusion" SDE S on \mathbb{R}^2

$$dX_t = \sigma Y_t dW_t$$
$$dY_t = \sigma X_t dW_t$$

In polar coordinates, solutions satisfy:

$$\mathrm{d}\theta = -\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\sin(4\theta)\,\mathrm{d}t + \sigma\cos(2\theta)\,\mathrm{d}W_t$$

Section 3

An application to filtering

The filtering problem

The state of a system evolves according to an SDE:

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = f(X_t, t)\,\mathrm{d}t + \sigma(X_t, t)\,\mathrm{d}W_t$$

with X_0 drawn from some prior distribution. We can only observe

$$\mathrm{d}Y_t = b(X_t, t)\,\mathrm{d}t + \mathrm{d}V_t$$

then, if the coefficients are nice enough, the conditional probability density p satisfies:

$$\mathrm{d} p = \mathcal{L}^* p \, \mathrm{d} t + p[b - E_p(b)]^T [\mathrm{d} Y - E_p(b) \mathrm{d} t].$$

This is the Kushner–Stratonovich equation.

If f and b are linear in X and σ is a deterministic function of time then this is called a linear filter. We can find exact solution given by Gaussians, the so-called Kalman filter.

Numerical example

- The linear filtering problem has solutions given by Gaussian distributions
- Maybe approximately linear filtering problems can be well approximated by Gaussian distributions?
- Heuristic algorithms:
 - Extended Kalman Filter
 - Itô Assumed Density Filter
 - Stratonovich Assumed Density Filter
 - Stratonovich Projection Filter
- Algorithms based on optimization arguments:
 - Itô-vector Projection Filter
 - Itô-jet Projection Filter

L^2 projection

- Suppose that the density can be shown to lie in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$
- ► Consider the 2-d submanifold of L²(ℝ) given by the family of Gaussian distributions.
- This is a curved family of distributions. The induced metric is the hyperbolic metric.
- Idea: project the infinite-dimensional Kushner-Stratonovich equation onto the family of Gaussian distributions.
- Generalizations: higher dimensional Gaussians, project onto higher dimensional submanifolds of L² to obtain more accurate approximations, e.g. mixture families or exponential families.

Hellinger projection

Define the Hellinger distance between two probability measures P and Q by:

$$H(P,Q)^{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathrm{d}P}{\mathrm{d}\lambda}} - \sqrt{\frac{\mathrm{d}Q}{\mathrm{d}\lambda}} \right)^{2} \mathrm{d}\lambda$$

where λ is a measure s.t. both P and Q are absolutely continuous w.r.t. λ .

▶ If *P* and *Q* have densities *p* and *q* then:

$$H(P,Q)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \int (\sqrt{p(x)} - \sqrt{q(x)})^2 dx = |\sqrt{p} - \sqrt{q}|_2^2$$

▶ We can compute projection w.r.t. Hellinger metric

Example: a cubic sensor

State equation:

$$\mathrm{d}X_t = \mathrm{d}W_t.$$

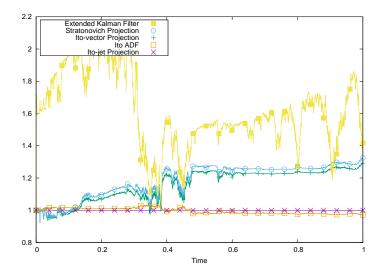
Measurement equation:

$$\mathrm{d}Y_t = (X_t + \epsilon X_t^3)\,\mathrm{d}t + \mathrm{d}V_t$$

 ϵ is small ($\epsilon = 0.05$)

Relative performance (Hellinger Residuals)

All projections performed w.r.t. the Hellinger metric.



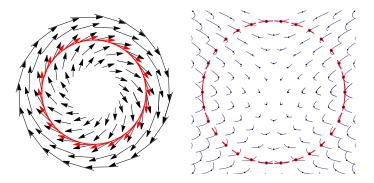
Summary - projection methods

	Ito-vector	lto-jet	Stratonovich
Optimal?	Yes	Yes	
SDE fibres over π	Surprising	Expected	Expected
Aesthetics		Elegant	
Practice	Best short term	Best medium term	Acceptable

 Note that our notions of optimal are based on expectation of squared residuals

Summary - 2 jets

- 2-jets allow you to draw pictures of SDEs
- They provide an intuitive and elegant reformulation of Itô's lemma
- They provide an alternative route to coordinate free stochastic differential geometry to operator approaches and have found concrete applications.



Higher dimensional jets

