

# PINNs for Rough Volatility

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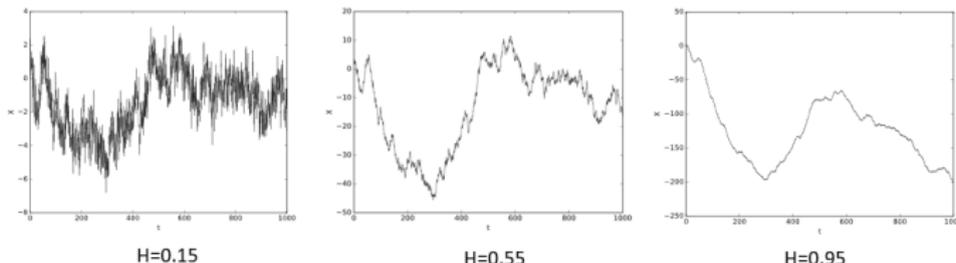


Figure: Samples of FBM for different  $H$

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Though  $X_t^H$  does not satisfy the covariance structure anymore, they both have  $\alpha$ -Hölder continuity for  $\alpha < H$  a.s., and their difference can be bounded [P11]:

$$\left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} |(X_{S+t}^H - X_S^H) - (W_{S+t}^H - W_S^H)| \right\|_p \leq C_p S^{H-1} T$$

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[BFG16] Rough Bergomi Model

$$V(t) = \xi_0(t) \exp\left(\eta\sqrt{2H} \int_0^t (t-s)^{H-\frac{1}{2}} dW(s) - \frac{1}{2}\eta^2 t^{2H}\right),$$

where  $\xi_0(t) = \mathbb{E}[V_t|\mathcal{F}_0]$  is the forward variance curve, usually set as constant during applications.

Introduce the same rough kernel  $(t - s)^{H-\frac{1}{2}}$  into Heston leads to

## [ER19] Rough Heston Model

$$V_t = V_0 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(H + \frac{1}{2})} \left( \int_0^t (t - s)^{H-\frac{1}{2}} \lambda(\theta - V_s) ds \right. \\ \left. + \int_0^t (t - s)^{H-\frac{1}{2}} \lambda \nu \sqrt{V_s} dW(s) \right).$$

Rough models are **non-Markovian** and do not have semi-martingale property.

- [BLP17] Proposed the **Hybrid Scheme**, which has been a benchmark.
- [ZLCL20] Used the Markovian approximation to simulate the rough Bergomi model by **Monte Carlo** simulation.
- [HMT21] Trained a **supervised NN** for the rough Bergomi model and its calibration.

# Markovian Approximation

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Note that  $V_x(t) = \int_0^t e^{-x(t-s)} dW(s)$  is a solution to the OU process:

$$dV_x(t) = -xV_x(t)dt + dW(t), \quad V_x(0) = 0$$

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## Theorem 2 (Convergence Theorem)

[BB23] For some 'nice' payoff function  $h$ ,  $\exists C$  s.t.

$$|\mathbb{E}[h(S_T)] - \mathbb{E}[h(S_T^n)]| \leq C \int_0^T |K(t) - K^n(t)| dt$$

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Let  $X(t) = \log\left(\frac{V(t)}{\xi_0}\right)$  and  $K^n(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e^{-\kappa_i t}$ ,

The Markovian Approximation of the Rough Bergomi Model is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} dS(t) = \sqrt{\xi_0} S(t) \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} X(t)\right) dB(t), \quad S(0) = S_0 \\ dX(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i dV_i(t), \quad X(0) = 0 \\ dV_i(t) = -\kappa_i V_i(t) dt + \eta \sqrt{2H} dW(t), \quad V_i(0) = 0, \forall i \\ \langle dW(t), dB(t) \rangle = \rho dt \end{array} \right.$$

Denote  $C(t, S, V_1, \dots, V_n)$  the option pricing for a vanilla European Call option whose payoff function is  $h(S_T) = (S_T - K)^+$ .

By Feynman-Kac formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_t - \sum_{i=1}^n \kappa_i V_i C_{V_i} + \frac{1}{2} \xi S^2 \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i V_i\right) C_{SS} \\ + \sqrt{2\xi H \rho \eta} S \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i V_i\right) \sum_{i=1}^n C_{SV_i} + 2H\eta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n C_{V_i V_j} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

together with  $C(T, S, V_1, \dots, V_n) = \max((S - K), 0) \forall S, V_1, \dots, V_n$ .

Physics-Informed Neural Networks(PINNs)[*RPK19*] has shown promising results in solving high-dimensional problems.

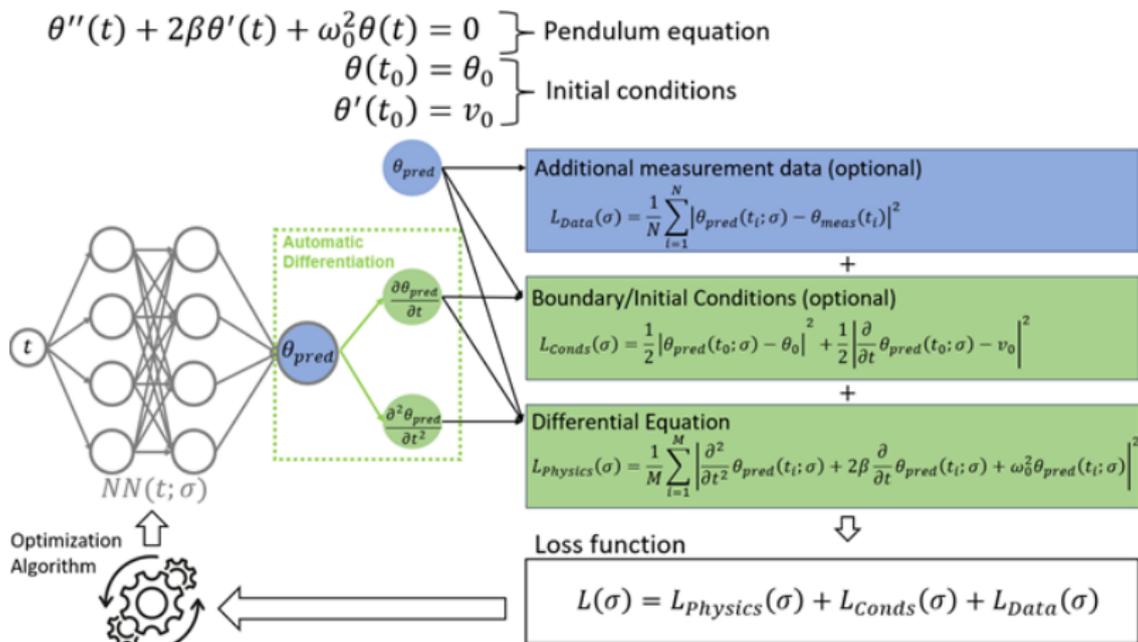


Figure: Illustration from Matlab

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Empirically  $\psi(\tau) \propto \tau^b$ , and  $b \approx -0.4$

As in [BFG20], the skew for rough Bergomi is

$$\psi(\tau) = a\tau^{H-\frac{1}{2}} + b\tau^{2H},$$

When  $\tau$  is small, roughly of order  $H - \frac{1}{2}$  for  $H < \frac{1}{2}$ .

# Numerical Verification

Set  $H = 0.1$ , observe  $\psi(\tau) \propto \tau^{-0.4}$  as expected.

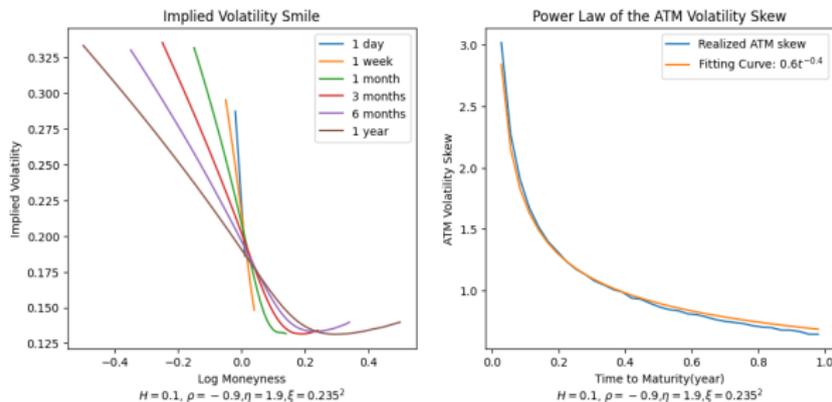


Figure: Markovian Approximation with 20 terms.

## Compared to Hybrid Scheme

Method	Computation Cost	MAE
MC ( $10^8$ samples)	9h42m	-
Hybrid Scheme	12m02s	6.20E-3
Rough PINNs ( $n = 5$ )	4m22s	1.07E-3
Rough PINNs ( $n = 10$ )	6m41s	6.05E-4
Rough PINNs ( $n = 20$ )	11m47s	4.08E-4

Table: MAE Error Comparison w.r.t Monte Carlo Simulation