

# Tamed Euler schemes for FBSDEs

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Let  $(W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be  $m$ -dimensional Brownian motion.

$$\begin{cases} X_t &= x + \int_0^t \mu(X_s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(X_s) dW_s \\ Y_t &= g(X_T) + \int_t^T f(Y_s, Z_s) ds - \int_t^T Z_s dW_s \end{cases}$$

Assumption (HX0):

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(x) - g(y)\|^2 &\leq L \|x - y\|^2, \\ |\mu(x)| &\leq L(1 + |y|^r) \quad |\sigma(x)| \leq L(1 + |x|^q), \quad r + 1 \geq 2q, \\ \langle x - y, \mu(x) - \mu(y) \rangle + \frac{p-1}{2} \|\sigma(x) - \sigma(y)\|^2 &\leq L \|x - y\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Assumption (HY0):

$$\begin{aligned} |f(y, z)| &\leq L + L_y |y|^m + L_z \|z\|, \quad m \geq 1, \\ \langle y' - y, f(t, x, y', z) - f(t, x, y, z) \rangle &\leq L_y |y' - y|^2. \end{aligned}$$

# Motivation

Biology model for electrical distribution in the heart (here in 1-d)

$$\begin{cases} -\partial_t u - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 \Delta u & = cu - u^3 \\ u(T, \cdot) & = g(\cdot) \end{cases}$$

and  $u \geq 0$  for any  $t \in [0, T]$  - A FitzHugh-Nagumo type PDE.

Often reaction diffusion PDEs have the form

$$\begin{cases} -\partial_t u - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 \Delta u & = cu - u^{2n}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \\ u(T, \cdot) & = g(\cdot) \end{cases}$$

Hence **monotone condition** only holds on the positive domain.

# FBSDEs - Approximations

**Forward process:** 1st idea - use explicit Euler scheme with  $h = T/N$  and  $\Delta w_{k+1} = w((k+1)h) - w(kh)$

$$X_{k+1} = X_k + \mu(X_k)h + \sigma(X_k)\Delta w_{k+1}, \quad X_0 = x$$

**Backward process:** Consider  $Y_N := g(X_N)$ ,  $Z_N := 0$ , and for  $i = N-1, \dots, 0$ ,

$$Y_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ Y_{i+1} + f(Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})h \right],$$

$$Z_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ \frac{\Delta W_{t_{i+1}}}{h} Y_{i+1} \right],$$

where  $\mathbb{E}_i[\cdot] := \mathbb{E}[\cdot | \mathcal{F}_i]$ .

- In this talk we only deal with time-discretization error
- in practical simulations of backward part, even Lipschitz case causes trouble (big Lipschitz constant, big terminal condition)

## A motivating example for backward part

Let  $\xi \in \mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\xi \in L^p$  for  $p \geq 2$ .

$$Y_t = \xi - \int_t^1 Y_s^3 ds - \int_t^1 Z_s dW_s, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

For the explicit scheme we have

$$Y_i = \mathbb{E}[Y_{i+1} - Y_{i+1}^3 h | \mathcal{F}_i] = \mathbb{E}[Y_{i+1}(1 - hY_{i+1}^2) | \mathcal{F}_i], \quad i = 0, \dots, N-1,$$

$$|\xi| \geq 2\sqrt{N} \quad \text{then} \quad |Y_i| \geq 2^{2^{N-i}} \sqrt{N} \quad \text{for} \quad i = 0, \dots, N.$$

Consequently

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|Y_{\frac{1}{2}}^{(N)}|] = +\infty,$$

## Possible fix - Tamed schemes

Consider  $Y_N := \frac{g(X_N)}{1+|g(X_N)|h^{\alpha_1}}$ ,  $Z_N := 0$ , and for  $i = N - 1, \dots, 0$ ,

$$Y_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ Y_{i+1} + \frac{f(Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})}{1 + |f(Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})| h^{\alpha_2} t} h \right],$$

$$Z_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ \frac{\Delta W_{t_{i+1}}}{h} Y_{i+1} \right],$$

- Tamed scheme converges with rate = Euler rate  $\wedge \min \{ \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \}$ .
- Simple and Robust
- No knowledge of a priori estimates is needed.

In the context of SDEs see work by Kloeden, Jentzen, Hutzenhaler.

## But how to tame? Examples for SDEs

$$f^h(x) = T_{h,x}(f(x)) \quad \text{or} \quad f^h(x) = f(T_{h,x}(x)).$$

For example:

- state dependent taming:  $T_{h,x}(x) = x/(1 + |x|h^\alpha)$ 
  - ▶ simple black box implementation
  - ▶ not obvious access to large deviation estimates
- state independent taming :  $T_{h,x}(x) = (-h^\alpha < x_1 < h^\alpha, \dots, -h^\alpha < x_d < h^\alpha)$ 
  - ▶ level at which we truncate is model dependent
  - ▶ easy access to large deviation estimates

We also could tame  $T_{h,x}(f(x)h)$ . Key observation being that

$$T_{h,x}(x) \approx x + R(x), \quad R(x) = O(h^\alpha) \text{ a.s. or in } L^p$$

# Key Questions

- Convergence (What happens when  $h \rightarrow 0$ )
- Stability (Qualitative properties when  $h > 0$ )
- "Structure" preservation (positivity, domain preservation)



# SDEs

# Khasminskii Theorem

$$dx(t) = \mu(x(t))dt + \sigma(x(t))dw(t), \quad \mu : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \quad \sigma : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$$

Let  $D$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . If there exists a  $C^2$ -function  $V : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\mu, \sigma} V(x) &:= \sum_{i=1}^d \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_i} \right) (x) \mu_i(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{s=1}^m \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right) (x) \sigma_{i,s}(x) \sigma_{j,s}(x) \\ &= V'(x) \mu(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s=1}^m V''(x) (\sigma_s(x), \sigma_s(x)) \leq \rho V(x) \quad \text{for } \rho \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

Then the solution is **V-stable**

$$\mathbb{E}[V(x(t))] \leq e^{\rho t} \mathbb{E}[V(x(0))] \quad \text{for } t \geq 0.$$

# V-stability

Consequences of the V-stability property:

- Moments bound: If we further assume that there exists  $l \geq 1$ , such that  $\|x\|^l \leq V(x)$  then inequality V-stability implies that  $\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E}[\|x(t)\|^l] < \infty$  (provided  $\mathbb{E}[V(x(0))] \leq \infty$ ).
- Stability: If we further assume that  $\rho < 0$  then V-stability implies that  $\mathbb{E}[V(x(t))] \leq e^{-\alpha t} \mathbb{E}[V(x(0))]$  for  $0 < \alpha < \rho$  (to see it apply Itô's formula to the function  $e^{\alpha t} V(x)$ ).

To clarify the idea consider scalar SDE

$$dx(t) = \mu(x(t))dt + \sigma(x(t))dw(t)$$

and assume that

$$2x\mu(x) + |\sigma(x)|^2 \leq \rho(1 + |x|^2) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Khasminskii theorem gives that for all  $t > 0$

$$\mathbb{E}[V(x(t))] \leq e^{\rho t} \mathbb{E}[V(x(0))],$$

with Lyapunov function  $V(x) = 1 + |x|^2$ .

By squaring both sides of the explicit Euler scheme

$$X_{k+1} = X_k + \mu(X_k)h + \sigma(X_k)\Delta w_{k+1},$$

we get

$$\mathbb{E}_k[|X_{k+1}|^2] = |X_k|^2 + (2X_k\mu(X_k) + |\sigma(X_k)|^2)h + |\mu(X_k)|^2h^2,$$

where  $\mathbb{E}_k[\cdot] := \mathbb{E}[\cdot|\mathcal{F}_k]$ .

- V-stability cannot be recovered due to  $|\mu(X_k)|^2h^2$  (in non-Lipschitz case).
- Consequently for Euler scheme with super-linearly growing coefficients, it can be shown that if  $X_k \notin (-L_h, L_h)$ , for sufficiently big  $L_h > 0$ , then  $\{X_r\}_{r>k}$  grows double exponentially fast.
- Hence even if  $\mathbb{P}(X_k \notin (-L_h, L_h))$  is exponentially small, explosion happens.


# Tamed schemes

A general tamed Euler approximation is given by

$$X_{k+1} = X_k + \mu^h(X_k)h + \sigma^h(X_k)\Delta w_{k+1},$$

where  $\mu^h \rightarrow \mu$  and  $\sigma^h \rightarrow \sigma$ , as  $h \rightarrow 0$ <sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup>Precise definition of these limits may vary by applications. 

By squaring both sides of tamed Euler scheme

$$\mathbb{E}_k[|X_{k+1}|^2] = |X_k|^2 + (2X_k\mu^h(X_k) + |\sigma^h(X_k)|^2)h + |\mu^h(X_k)|^2h^2,$$

where  $\mathbb{E}_k[\cdot] := \mathbb{E}[\cdot|\mathcal{F}_k]$ , Now we are seeking taming such that for  $\tilde{\rho} > 0$

$$(*) \quad |\mu^h(x)|^2h \leq \tilde{\rho}V(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

and

$$(**) \quad 2x\mu^h(x) + |\sigma^h(x)|^2 \leq \rho V(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

so that for any  $k, N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k < N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_k[V(X_{k+1})] &= V(X_k) + (\rho + \tilde{\rho})V(X_k)h \\ \implies \mathbb{E}[V(X_N)] &\leq e^{(\rho+\tilde{\rho})Nh}\mathbb{E}[V(X_0)].\end{aligned}$$

# Main Stability Theorem

We denote by  $\mathcal{C}_\rho^n(\mathbb{R}^n, [1, \infty))$  space of Lyapunov functions such that  $\|V^{(i)}(x)\|_{L^{(i)}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{R})} \leq c_V |V(x)|^{1-i/\rho}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ .

## Theorem

Let  $\mu^h : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\sigma^h : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$ ,  $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $V \in \mathcal{C}_\rho^n(\mathbb{R}^d, [1, \infty))$ ,  $n, \rho \geq 3$ , be a function such that

$$(**) \quad L_{\mu^h, \sigma^h} V(x) \leq \rho V(x).$$

Moreover, we consider tamed Euler scheme and assume that there exist constants  $c_\mu, c_\sigma > 0$  such that

$$(*) \quad \|\mu^h(x)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} h^{\beta_0} \leq c_\mu V(x)^{1/\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad \|\sigma^h(x)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^d)} h^{\beta_1} \leq c_\sigma V(x)^{1/\rho},$$

where  $\beta_0 \leq 1/2$  and  $\beta_1 \leq 1/2 - 1/\min\{n, 4\}$ . Then there exists a constant  $\tilde{\rho} := \tilde{\rho}(c_\mu, c_\sigma)$  such that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ V(X(t_k)) \right] \leq e^{(\rho + \tilde{\rho})kh} \mathbb{E} [V(X_0)] \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$



# Convergence of Tamed Euler scheme

## Assumption (Strong monotone)

For any constant  $p \geq 2$ , there exists a constant  $L > 0$  such that

$$\langle x - y, \mu(x) - \mu(y) \rangle + \frac{p-1}{2} \|\sigma(x) - \sigma(y)\|^2 \leq L \|x - y\|^2.$$

## Theorem

Under one-sided Lipschitz and strong monotone conditions, for arbitrary  $T > 0$  and  $p > 2$ , there exists  $c > 0$  such that we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \max_{0 \leq t_k \leq T} |X_{t_k} - x(t_k)|^p \right] \leq c h^{p/2}.$$

# BSDEs

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Assumption (HX0): Terminal condition is Lipschitz

Assumption (HY0):

$$|f(y, z)| \leq L + L_y |y|^m + L_z \|z\|, \quad m \geq 1,$$
$$\langle y' - y, f(t, x, y', z) - f(t, x, y, z) \rangle \leq L_y |y' - y|^2.$$

Assumptions  $\text{HY0}_{loc}$ :

$$|f(y, z) - f(y', z)| \leq L_y (1 + |y|^{m-1} + |y'|^{m-1}) |y - y'|, \quad m \geq 1.$$

We analyse following error:

$$\text{ERR}_\pi(Y, Z) := \left( \max_{i=0, \dots, N} \mathbb{E}[|Y_{t_i} - Y_i|^2] + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{t_i} - Z_i|^2] h \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where

$$\bar{Z}_{t_i} = \frac{1}{t_{i+1} - t_i} \mathbb{E} \left[ \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} Z_s ds \middle| \mathcal{F}_{t_i} \right], \quad 0 \leq i \leq N-1, \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{Z}_{t_N} = Z_T.$$

# Tamed Terminal Condition

Consider  $Y_N := T_{L_h}(g(X_N))$ ,  $Z_N := 0$ , and for  $i = N - 1, \dots, 0$ ,

$$Y_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ Y_{i+1} + f(Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})h \right],$$

$$Z_i := \mathbb{E}_i \left[ \frac{\Delta W_{t_{i+1}}}{h} \left( Y_{i+1} + f(Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})h \right) \right],$$

where the levels  $L_h$  satisfy  $e^{c_1 T} (L_h^2 + c_2 T) \leq h^{-1/(m-1)}$ , with

$$c_1 = 2(L_y + 12dL_z^2 + 2L_y^2) \quad \text{and} \quad c_2 = \max \left\{ \frac{L^2}{4dL_z^2}, \frac{L_x^2}{4dL_z^2} \right\}.$$

For  $h \leq h^*$ , where  $h^*$  satisfies  $e^{c_1 T} c_2 T \leq (h^*)^{-1/(m-1)}/3$  and  $h^* \leq 1/(32dL_z^2)$  we can take

$$L_h = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}c_1 T} \left( \frac{1}{h} \right)^{\frac{1}{2(m-1)}}.$$

## Theorem

Let  $(HX0)$ ,  $(HY0_{loc})$  hold and  $h \leq h^*$ . Assume that the order  $\gamma$  of the approximation  $\{X_i\}_{i=0, \dots, N}$  of  $X$  is at least  $1/2$ . Then for the tamed explicit scheme there exists a constant  $c$  such that

$$\text{ERR}_\pi(Y, Z) := \left( \max_{i=0, \dots, N} \mathbb{E}[|Y_{t_i} - Y_i|^2] + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{t_i} - Z_i|^2] h \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq c h^{1/2}.$$

# Sketch of the proof

We decompose the local error into two parts. Given  $i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$  we write

$$Y_{t_i} - Y_i = \underbrace{\left( Y_{t_i} - Y_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} \right)}_{\text{one-step discretization error}} + \underbrace{\left( Y_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} - Y_{i, (Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})} \right)}_{\text{stability of the scheme}},$$

and similarly for  $Z$

$$\bar{Z}_{t_i} - Z_i = \underbrace{\left( \bar{Z}_{t_i} - Z_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} \right)}_{\text{one-step discretization error}} + \underbrace{\left( Z_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} - Z_{i, (Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})} \right)}_{\text{stability of the scheme}}.$$

# Sketch of the proof

## Definition (Scheme stability)

We say that the numerical scheme  $\{(Y_i, Z_i)\}_{i=0, \dots, N}$  is *stable* if for some  $\rho > 0$  there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}[|Y_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} - Y_{i, (Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})}|^2] + \rho \mathbb{E}[|Z_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})} - Z_{i, (Y_{i+1}, Z_{i+1})}|^2] h \\ & \leq (1 + ch) \left( \mathbb{E}[|Y_{t_{i+1}} - Y_{i+1}|^2] + \frac{\rho}{4} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}} - Z_{i+1}|^2] h \right) + \mathbb{E}[H_i], \end{aligned}$$

where  $H_i \in L^1(\mathcal{F}_i)$  and moreover  $\{H_i\}_{i=0, \dots, N-1}$  satisfies

$$\mathcal{R}^S(H) := \max_{i=0, \dots, N-1} \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} e^{c(j-i)h} \mathbb{E}[H_j] \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } h \rightarrow 0.$$

The quantity  $\mathcal{R}^S(H)$  is called the *stability remainder*.

# Sketch of the proof

## Lemma (Fundamental Lemma)

Assume that the numerical scheme  $\{(Y_i, Z_i)\}_{i=0, \dots, N}$  is stable. Denoting the one-step discretization errors for  $i = 0, \dots, N - 1$  by

$$\begin{cases} \tau_i(Y) := \mathbb{E}[|Y_{t_i} - Y_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})}|^2] \\ \tau_i(Z) := \mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{t_i} - Z_{i, (Y_{t_{i+1}}, \bar{Z}_{t_{i+1}})}|^2 h], \end{cases}$$

there exists a constant  $C = C(\rho, T, c)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{ERR}_\pi(Y, Z))^2 \\ & \leq C \left\{ \mathbb{E}[|Y_{t_N} - Y_N|^2] + \mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{t_N} - Z_N|^2] h + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \left( \frac{\tau_i(Y)}{h} + \tau_i(Z) \right) \right\} + (1+h) \mathcal{R}^S(H). \end{aligned}$$



# Sketch of the proof - Tamed scheme

We consider FBSDE

$$Y'_t = T_{L_h}(g(X_T)) + \int_t^T f(Y'_u, Z'_u) du - \int_t^T Z'_u dW_u, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

The difference between this BSDE and original can be estimated using

## Lemma

Let  $\xi$  be a random variable in  $L^q$  for some  $q > 2$ , and  $L > 0$ . Then we have

$$\mathbb{E}[|\xi - T_L(\xi)|^2] \leq 4\mathbb{E}[|\xi|^q] \left(\frac{1}{L}\right)^{q-2}$$

- + Comparison Theorem

# Sketch of the proof- Stability for tamed scheme

## Lemma

Assume (HX0), (HY0) and that  $h \leq 1/(32dL_z^2)$ . If for a given  $i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$  one has  $|Y_{i+1}| \leq h^{-1/(2m-2)}$ , then one also has

$$|Y_i|^2 + \frac{1}{d}|Z_i|^2 h \leq (1 + c_1 h) \mathbb{E}_i \left[ |Y_{i+1}|^2 + \frac{1}{4d}|Z_{i+1}|^2 h \right]$$

## Lemma

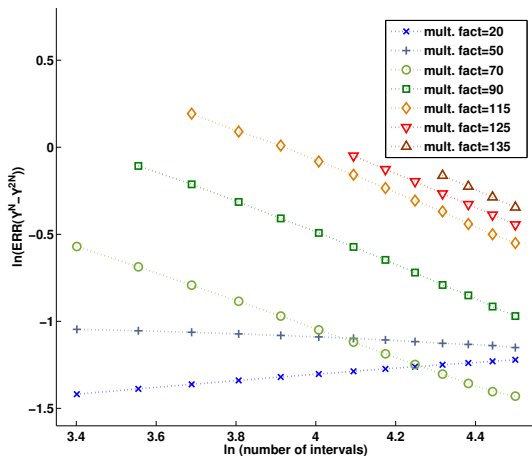
Let (HX0) and (HY0) hold. For any  $i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$ ,

$$|Y_i|^2 + \frac{1}{4d}|Z_i|^2 h + \frac{3}{4d} \mathbb{E}_i \left[ \sum_{j=i}^{N-1} |Z_j|^2 h \right] \leq e^{c_1(N-i)h} \mathbb{E}_i [ |Y_N|^2 ]$$

This implies in particular that  $|Y_i| \leq h^{-1/(2m-2)}$ .

$$|\delta f_{i+1}|^2 h = L_y^2 (h + |Y'_{t_{i+1}}|^{2(m-1)} h + |Y_{i+1}|^{2(m-1)} h) |Y'_{t_{i+1}} - Y_{i+1}|^2 \leq 3L_y^2 |\delta Y_{i+1}|^2.$$

$$f(y) = -y^3, X\text{-GBM}, g(x) = x$$



**Figure:** Convergence of  $e(N)$  for the tamed explicit scheme and various values of the multiplying factor, computed for  $N \in \{5i : i = 7, \dots, 18\}$ , in log-log scale. This used also  $K = 4$ ,  $M = 10^5$ , and 10 simulations for each point.

## Definition (Tamed Euler scheme)

Define  $(Y_N^N, Z_N^N) := (\xi_N, 0)$  and for  $0 \leq i \leq N - 1$ :

$$Y_i^R := \mathbb{E}_i[Y_{i+1}^R + f_i^h(Y_{i+1}^R, Z_i^R)h],$$

$$Z_i^R := \mathbb{E}_i[H_i^R Y_{i+1}^R].$$

- Preserves Positivity
- Satisfy Comparison Theorem
- Converges without "complicated" truncations.

# Stability of the scheme

**Assumption (HY0-T)** Let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$   $f^h : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times D \times \mathbb{R}^{k \times d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  is a continuous function such that for some  $L, L_y, L_z > 0$  for all  $z, z'$  and all  $y, y' \in D$ ,

$$|f^h(y, z)| \leq L + L_y |y|^m + L_z \|z\|, \quad m \geq 1,$$

$$\langle y' - y, f^h(y', z) - f^h(y, z) \rangle \leq L_y |y' - y|^2 + H(y', y, z, h),$$

$$|f^h(y, z) - f^h(y', z)| \leq L_y (1 + |y|^{m-1} + |y'|^{m-1}) |y - y'| + \hat{H}(y', y, z, h)$$

Recall  $f^h(y, z) \approx f(y, z) + R(y, z)$ . Example:

$$\frac{f(y)}{1 + |f(y)|h^\alpha} = f(y) - \frac{f(y)|f(y)|h^\alpha}{1 + |f(y)|h^\alpha}$$

In 1-d case :

$$\langle y' - y, f^h(y', z) - f^h(y, z) \rangle \leq L_y |y' - y|^2$$

$$|f^h(y, z) - f^h(y', z)| \leq L_y h^{-\alpha} |y - y'|$$

# Comparison and Positivity in 1-D in $Y$

## Corollary (Comparison theorem)

Assume that  $f^{1,h}$  satisfies (HY0). If for all  $0 \leq i \leq N - 1$

$$Y_N^1 \geq Y_N^2 \quad \text{and} \quad f_i^{1,h}(Y_i^2, Z_i^2) \geq f_i^{2,h}(Y_i^2, Z_i^2).$$

Then for any  $i = 0, \dots, N$  we have that

$$Y_i^1 \geq Y_i^2.$$

In particular, if  $\xi_N^2 \geq 0$  and  $f_i^{2,h}(0, 0) \geq 0$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq N - 1$  then  $Y_i \geq 0$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq N$ , in other words is positivity preserving.

- See similar result for qBSDE by J.F Chassagneux and A Richou.

# Message to take home

- ▷ Standard explicit schemes have very limited scope of applications.
- ▷ **Suitably tamed explicit schemes** can offer very good stability results, cover very wide class of SDEs and BSDEs, cheap to simulate