

# Matrix equations in Markov modulated Brownian motion: theoretical properties and numerical solution

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# Markov modulated Brownian motion(MMBM)

- MMBM is a two-dimensional Markov process composed of level process  $F(t)$  and phase process  $J(t)$ .
- The phase process  $J$  is an irreducible continuous-time Markov process with finite state space  $S$ , infinitesimal generator  $Q$ , and stationary probability vector  $\pi$ .
- The state space of  $J$  is finite and partitioned into certain subsets as  $S = S_b \cup S_u \cup S_d \cup S_0$ .

# Markov modulated Brownian motion(MMBM)

- The level process  $F$  is defined as the following stochastic integral

$$F(t) = a + \int_0^t \mu_{J(u)} du + \int_0^t \sigma_{J(u)} dB(u), \quad a \geq 0, \quad (1)$$

where,  $\{B(\cdot)\}$  is a standard Brownian motion independent of  $J$  and

- (i)  $\sigma_i > 0$  and  $\mu_i$  is an arbitrary real number for  $i \in S_b$ ,
  - (ii)  $\sigma_i = 0$  and  $\mu_i < 0$  for  $i \in S_d$   
 $\mu_i = 0$  for  $i \in S_0$
- The level process behaves like a Brownian motion, but its drift and diffusion parameter change depending on the specific Markovian environmental state of  $J$ .
  - The MMBM can be considered as a generalization of the classical Brownian motion.

# Beginning of MMBM

- MMBM was first introduced by Asmussen(1995, STM). In the paper, he derived the stationary distribution of the one-sided MMBM using time reversal arguments and so-called the time-changed process.
- Rogers(1994, AAP), referring to an unpublished version of Asmussen's paper, considered a special case of the two-sided reflected MMBM and provided a simple form of its steady-state distribution using Martingale techniques and Wiener-Hopf factorizations.
- Ramaswami(1999, The ITC paper) put the MMBM directly within the framework of Matrix Analytic Methods and the level crossing path based framework. He also drew connections with QBDs in a way that led to quadratically convergent algorithms. That was put on a firm theoretical framework by him and Ahn in a series of papers.

# Analyzing tool and problem

- From previous research, one can see that the Laplace-Stieltjes transform matrix of first passage times and first passage probability matrix in the MMBM play crucial roles in its analysis.
- Laplace-Stieltjes transform matrix
  - ▶ Let  $\tau = \inf\{t > 0 : F(t) < 0\}$ ,  $a \geq 0$ ,  $s$  a complex number with non-negative real part, and  $\chi(\cdot)$  the indicator function.
  - ▶ LST matrix is defined as the following equation: for  $i, j \in S$ ,

$$[\hat{\mathbf{f}}(s, a)]_{i,j} = E[e^{-s\tau} \chi(J(\tau) = j, \tau < \infty) \mid F(0) = a, J(0) = i]. \quad (2)$$

- First passage probability matrix

$$[\hat{\mathbf{f}}(0, a)]_{i,j} = P[J(\tau) = j, \tau < \infty \mid F(0) = a, J(0) = i]. \quad (3)$$

## Analyzing tool and problem

- Especially, most of formulas concerning to MMBM can be represented with  $H$  and  $\Psi$  matrices, which are defined as:

$$e^{H(s)a} = \left\{ [\hat{\mathbf{f}}(s, a)]_{i,j} \right\}_{i,j \in S_b \cup S_d}, \quad H := H(0) \quad (4)$$

$$\Psi(s) = \left\{ [\hat{\mathbf{f}}(s, 0)]_{i,j} \right\}_{i \in S_b \cup S_u, j \in S_b \cup S_d}, \quad \Psi := \Psi(0) \quad (5)$$

Note that  $H$  matrices are  $(|S_b| + |S_d|)$  dimensional square matrices, but the dimension of  $\Psi$  matrices is  $(|S_b| + |S_u|) \times (|S_b| + |S_d|)$ .

- A related problem is that it is impossible to obtain closed-form formulas of these matrices. Therefore the development of numerical methods for their computation has received considerable attention in the literature.

# Matrix equations for computation

- Several numerical methods have been suggested in the literature.
- In our research, we restrict our attention to
  - ▶ the algorithms based on the quadratic matrix equation(QME) developed by Asmussen(1995)
  - ▶ the algorithms based on non-symmetric algebraic Riccati equation(NARE) derived by Ahn and Ramaswami(2017).

## Matrix equations for computation: QME

- Asmussen(1995) presented a quadratic matrix equation for  $H$  when  $\sigma_i > 0$  for all  $i \in S$ , which is of the form

$$\Delta_{\sigma^2/2}H^2 + \Delta_{\mu}H + Q = 0, \quad (6)$$

where  $\Delta_{\sigma^2/2} = \text{diag}\{\sigma_i^2/2, i \in S\}$  and  $\Delta_{\mu} = \text{diag}\{\mu_i, i \in S\}$ .

- Based on this QME, Asmussen(1995), Karandikar and Kulkarni(1995), and Nguyen and Latouche(2015) proposed the algorithms using a block diagonal decomposition, the eigen-decomposition of linearization, and the Cyclic Reduction method, respectively.
- More recently, Nguyen and Poloni(2017) proposed a quadratically convergent algorithm of our special attention.
  - ▶ The algorithm is based on the Cyclic Reduction and GTH-like method and it is an extension of the algorithm developed by Nguyen and Latouche [15].
  - ▶ They proved the componentwise accuracy and stability of their algorithm, and also demonstrated its superiority to other existing algorithms with numerical examples.

## Matrix equations for computation: NARE

- The form of NARE,  $AZ + ZB + ZCZ + D = 0$ , was introduced by Rogers(1994) in relation to an MMBM without Brownian components, which is called an MMFF in the literature.
- An NARE for  $\Psi(s)$  of the MMFF was observed by Ahn and Ramaswami (2004, Theorem 12), but they did not give an attention to it.
- Later, Bean, O'Reilly, and Peter(2005) investigated furthermore the NARE of the MMFF and showed its probabilistic meaning and usefulness through their subsequent papers.
- An NARE for the MMBM was developed by Ahn and Ramaswami(2017, STM).

## Background of our research

- Our approach to analyzing MMBM was initiated by Ramaswami.
- Ramaswami published a paper in 1999 to show that the MMFF can be analyzed using QBDs and matrix analytic methods.
- Later, Ramaswami also published a paper in 2013, in which he constructed a sequence of simple MMFFs and showed its weak-convergence to the Brownian motion.
- This paper was extended by Ahn and Ramaswami(2017) to analyze MMBM, in which a variant of the  $\Psi$  matrix satisfies an NARE  $AZ + ZB + ZCZ + D = 0$  and  $H$  can be represented as  $H = B + CX$ , where  $X$  is the minimal non-negative solution of the NARE.

# Background of our research

- Several results on the one and two-sided reflected MMBM with or without ph-type jumps, which are represented by the minimal non-negative solution of the NARE, were published in its subsequent papers.
- Concerning the results, it has to be mentioned that some of the subsequent papers rely heavily on the paper of Bean and O'Reilly(2013) titled by “A stochastic two-dimensional fluid model” .
- I also have to mention that various results on the extension of Ramaswami(2013) have been achieved by Latouche and his colleagues.

# Motivation for our research

- In Ahn and Ramaswami(2013), they showed that the minimal solution of their NARE can be computed by so-called the Newton's method, which is known quadratically convergent.
- Later, it was observed that the proposed algorithm failed to produce numbers or gave unexpected values when MMBM is null-recurrent.
- To resolve the observed problem, Meini and I started to investigate Ahn and Ramaswami's NARE and intended to propose algorithms.
- We also wanted to check how our proposed algorithms perform in comparison to existing algorithms for MMBM.

# Contribution of our paper

- The contribution of our paper consist of three parts:
  - ▶ we show directly a relation between the solutions of the NARE and the quadratic matrix equation by Asmussen without limit arguments as in Ahn and Ramaswami(2017).
  - ▶ we proposed doubling algorithms based on the shifted NARE for computation of  $\Psi$  and  $H$  matrices of the MMBM with non-negative diffusion parameter( $\sigma \geq 0$ ), and show that their quadratic convergence even when the MMBM is null-recurrent.
  - ▶ We discuss about theoretical comparison of the doubling algorithms to the Nguyen and Poloni's algorithm, which is confirmed by numerical examples.
- In this presentation, we will talk about the first and second parts, and also show the results of our numerical study.
- For simple presentation, our talk will be restricted to the first-passage probability matrices of the Brownian case. That is, we assume that the diffusion parameter of the MMBM is positive and  $s = 0$ .

## Section II. Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- The relation is proved by using the theories on matrix polynomials, that is, the results on matrix pencil, linearization and standard triple of matrix polynomials.

## Ahn and Ramaswami's work on NARE for MMBM

- Ramaswami(2013) considered a sequence of simple MMFF's  $(J_n^b, F_n^b)$  of which the infinitesimal generator and rate vector are given as

$$Q_n = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{n}{2} & \frac{n}{2} \\ \frac{n}{2} & -\frac{n}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_n = \left( \sqrt{\frac{n}{2}} \quad -\sqrt{\frac{n}{2}} \right), \quad (7)$$

and showed weak convergence of the level process  $F_n^b$  to Brownian motion.

- Later, Ahn and Ramaswami(2016) considered a sequence of MMBM of which the level process  $F_n$  is defined as

$$F_n(t) = a + \int_0^t \mu_{J(u)} du + \int_0^t \sigma_{J(u)} dF_n^b(u) \quad (8)$$

and showed its weak convergence to the level process  $F(t)$  of the MMBM defined as

$$F(t) = a + \int_0^t \mu_{J(u)} du + \int_0^t \sigma_{J(u)} dB(u). \quad (9)$$

## Ahn and Ramaswami's work on NARE for MMBM

- They also proved the weak-convergence of the first passage time  $\tau_n = \inf\{t \geq 0 : F_n(t) \leq 0\}$  to  $\tau = \inf\{t \geq 0 : F(t) \leq 0\}$  using the limit theorems of Lindvall(1974,AAP).
- This weak convergence guarantees that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n = H$ .
- With  $\eta$  being the first transition time of  $J$ , they considered the expansion of the following two probability matrices:

$$\Psi_n = P[J(\tau_n) = j, \tau_n < \infty \mid F_n(0) = 0, J(0) = i] \quad (10)$$

$$= I + \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}\Psi_1 + \frac{2}{n} \cdot + \dots, \quad (11)$$

$$\Psi_n^{(1)} = P[J(\tau_n) = j, \tau_n < \eta \mid F_n(0) = 0, J(0) = i] \quad (12)$$

$$= I + \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}\Psi_1^{(1)} + \frac{2}{n} \cdot + \dots \quad (13)$$

## Ahn and Ramaswami's work on NARE for MMBM

- Then, they proved that  $\Psi_1 - \Psi_1^{(1)}$  is the minimal non-negative solution of the following NARE

$$AZ + ZB + ZCZ + D = \mathbf{0}, \quad (14)$$

of which the coefficient matrices, with  $\Lambda = \text{diag}\{-[Q]_{ii}\}$ ,  $\Delta_\sigma = \text{diag}\{\sigma_i, i \in S\}$ ,  $\Delta_\mu = \text{diag}\{\mu_i, i \in S\}$  and  $\Delta = \Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu + \Delta_\sigma^{-1}(2\Lambda + \Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu^2)^{1/2}$ , are given as

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu - \Delta_\sigma^{-1}(2\Lambda + \Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu^2)^{1/2}, & B &= -\Delta, \\ C &= \Delta_\sigma^{-1}, & \text{and } D &= 2\Delta_\sigma^{-1}(Q + \Lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

- They also showed that  $H = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n = B + C(\Psi_1 - \Psi_1^{(1)})$ .
- Hereafter, we use  $X$  to denote the minimal non-negative solution of the NARE (14).

# Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- In relation to the QME  $\Delta_{\sigma^2/2}U^2 + \Delta_{\mu}U + Q = 0$ , we consider the following monic matrix polynomial given in Nguyen and Poloni(2017)

$$P(\lambda) = \lambda^2 I - 2\lambda \Delta_{\sigma}^{-2} \Delta_{\mu} + 2\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1} Q \Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}. \quad (16)$$

## Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- Letting  $L = \begin{pmatrix} -B & -C \\ D & A \end{pmatrix}$ , we can verify that the matrix pencil  $W(\lambda) = \lambda I - L$  can be factored as

$$W(\lambda) = E(\lambda) \begin{bmatrix} P(\lambda) & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} F(\lambda), \quad (17)$$

with

$$E(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & (\lambda I - (D_1 - D_2(s))\Delta_\sigma) \end{pmatrix}, \quad F(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_\sigma & 0 \\ \lambda I - (D_1 + D_2(s))\Delta_\sigma^{-1} & \Delta_\sigma^{-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Equation (17) shows that  $W(\lambda)$  is a linearization of the matrix polynomial  $P(\lambda)$ , that is,  $E(\lambda)$  and  $F(\lambda)$  are matrix polynomials such that  $\det(E(\lambda))$  and  $\det(F(\lambda))$  are different from zero and independent of  $\lambda$ .

## Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- This linearization implies that, for any  $\lambda$  such that  $\det P(\lambda) \neq 0$ ,

$$[\Delta_\sigma \quad 0] (\lambda I - L)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -I \end{bmatrix} = P(\lambda)^{-1}. \quad (18)$$

- Letting  $V = (\Delta_\sigma \quad 0)$  and  $U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -I \end{pmatrix}$ , (18) implies that  $(V, L, U)$  is a standard triple for  $P(\lambda)$  by Theorem 2.6 in [10].
- Hence, from the definition of the standard triple and Proposition 2.1 in [10], the following two equations hold:

$$VL^2 - 2\Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu VL + 2\Delta_\sigma^{-1}Q\Delta_\sigma^{-1}V = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$L^2U - 2LU\Delta_\sigma^{-2}\Delta_\mu + 2U\Delta_\sigma^{-1}Q\Delta_\sigma^{-1} = 0 \quad (20)$$

## Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- With  $K = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ X & I \end{pmatrix}$ , we define  $\tilde{L} = K^{-1}LK$ . Then we can verify that  $VK = V$ ,  $K^{-1}U = U$ , and

$$\tilde{L} = \begin{pmatrix} -(B+CX) & -C \\ 0 & A+XC \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{L}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} (B+CX)^2 & BC-CA \\ 0 & (A+XC)^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (21)$$

- Multiplying (19) on the right by  $K(s)$  and (20) on the left by  $K(s)^{-1}$  yields

$$V\tilde{L}^2 - 2\Delta_{\sigma}^{-2}\Delta_{\mu}V\tilde{L} + 2\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}Q\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}V = 0, \quad (22)$$

$$\tilde{L}^2U - 2\tilde{L}U\Delta_{\sigma}^{-2}\Delta_{\mu} + 2U\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}Q\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1} = 0, \quad (23)$$

## Relation between the solutions of the NARE and QME

- Finally, we can derive the following equations from Equations (22) and (23)

$$\Delta_{\sigma^2/2}(B + CX)^2 + \Delta_{\mu}(B + CX) + Q = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$[\Delta_{\sigma}(A + XC)\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}]^2 \Delta_{\sigma^2/2} - [\Delta_{\sigma}(A + XC)\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}] \Delta_{\mu} + Q = 0.$$

That is, the matrices  $B + CX$  and  $\Delta_{\sigma}(A + XC)\Delta_{\sigma}^{-1}$  are solutions of the quadratic matrix equations  $\Delta_{\sigma^2/2}U^2 + \Delta_{\mu}U + Q = 0$  and  $U^2\Delta_{\sigma^2/2} - U\Delta_{\mu} + Q = 0$ , respectively.

# III. Doubling Algorithms

## Preliminaries for doubling algorithms

- The matrix  $M = \begin{pmatrix} -B & -C \\ -D & -A \end{pmatrix}$  is an irreducible singular  $M$ -matrix. That is,  $M$  can be represented as  $M = \rho(Z) - Z$  with  $Z \geq 0$  and  $\rho(Z)$  denoting the spectral radius of  $Z$ .
- the left and right eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue 0 are given as

$$\mathbf{u} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^{-1} \Lambda \pi' \\ 0.5 \Delta_\sigma \pi' \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{1} \\ \Delta_\sigma \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix},$$

- It holds that

$$m = \mathbf{u}'_1 \mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{u}'_2 \mathbf{v}_2 = - \sum_{i \in S} [\pi]_i [\mu]_i = -\mu.$$

Note that  $-m$  is the average drift of the MMBM  $(F, J)$ .

- According to the sign of  $m$ , the MMBM is called transient ( $m < 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu > 0$ ), positive recurrent ( $m > 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu < 0$ ), or null-recurrent ( $m = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu = 0$ )

## Preliminaries for doubling algorithms

- $BZ + ZA + ZDZ + C = 0$  is called the dual NARE of the original NARE  $AZ + ZB + ZCZ + D = 0$ . We denote by  $Y$  the minimal non-negative solution of the dual NARE.
- We define  $R = -B - CX$  and  $S = -A - DY$ , and denote their Cayley transforms by  $R_\gamma$  and  $S_\gamma$ , that is,

$$R_\gamma = (R + \gamma I)^{-1}(R - \gamma I) \text{ and } S_\gamma = (S + \gamma I)^{-1}(S - \gamma I).$$

# Structure-preserving doubling algorithm (SDA)

The SDA presented in [13] is given in Table 1.

SDA for an NARE $AZ + ZB + ZCZ + D = \mathbf{0}$
1. Choose $\gamma \geq \max\{-[A]_{ii}, -[B]_{ii}, i \in S\}$ and set $\begin{pmatrix} E_0 & G_0 \\ H_0 & F_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma I - B & -C \\ -D & \gamma I - A \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma I + B & C \\ D & \gamma I - A \end{pmatrix}$
2. $E_{k+1} = E_k(I - G_k H_k)^{-1} E_k;$ $F_{k+1} = F_k(I - H_k G_k)^{-1} F_k;$ $G_{k+1} = G_k + E_k(I - G_k H_k)^{-1} G_k F_k;$ $H_{k+1} = H_k + F_k(I - H_k G_k)^{-1} H_k E_k;$
3. $Z = H_\infty;$

Table: Structure-preserving doubling algorithm

## Theorem 4.1 of [12]

**Theorem 1** (a) If  $m > 0$  (positive recurrent case), then  $\rho(R_\gamma) = 1$  and  $\rho(S_\gamma) < 1$ . Furthermore,  $\{H_k\}$  converges to  $X$  quadratically with

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|H_k - X\|} \leq \rho(R_\gamma)\rho(S_\gamma) = \rho(S_\gamma), \quad (25)$$

$\{F_k\}$  converges to  $\mathbf{0}$  quadratically with  $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|F_k\|} \leq \rho(S_\gamma)$ , and  $\{E_k\}$  is bounded. The notation  $\|A\|$  denotes the maximum of the absolute values of the elements in a matrix  $A$ .

## Theorem 4.1 of [12]

**Theorem 1** (b) If  $m < 0$  (transient case), then  $\rho(R_\gamma) < 1$  and  $\rho(S_\gamma) = 1$ . Furthermore,  $\{H_k\}$  converges to  $X$  quadratically with

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|H_k - X\|} \leq \rho(R_\gamma)\rho(S_\gamma) = \rho(R_\gamma), \quad (26)$$

$\{E_k\}$  converges to  $\mathbf{0}$  quadratically with  $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|E_k\|} \leq \rho(R_\gamma)$ , and  $\{F_k\}$  is bounded.

## Theorem 4.1 of [12]

**Theorem 1** (c) If  $m = 0$  (null recurrent case), then  $\rho(R_\gamma) = 1$  and  $\rho(S_\gamma) = 1$ . In this case,  $\{H_k\}$  converges to  $X$  and  $\{E_k\}$ ,  $\{F_k\}$  are bounded.

# Alternating-directional doubling algorithm(ADDA) by Wang, Wang, and Li [18]

- The ADDA algorithm for NARE, which was developed by Wang, Wang, and Li [18], can be considered to be an extension of the SDA.
- It differs from the SDA only in its initial setup that build  $E_0$ ,  $F_0$ ,  $G_0$ , and  $H_0$ .
- Initial setup

$$\alpha \geq \alpha_{opt} := \max\{-[A]_{ii}\} \text{ and } \beta \geq \beta_{opt} := \max\{-[B]_{ii}\}, \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_0 & G_0 \\ H_0 & F_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha I - B & -C \\ -D & \beta I - A \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \beta I + B & C \\ D & \alpha I - A \end{pmatrix}. \quad (28)$$

## Theorem 2

(a) It holds that  $0 \leq \hat{H}_k \leq \hat{H}_{k+1} \leq X$  and

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|\hat{H}_k - X\|} \leq \rho(R_{\beta, \alpha})\rho(S_{\alpha, \beta}), \quad (29)$$

where  $R_{\beta, \alpha} = (\beta R - I)(\alpha R + I)^{-1}$  and  $S_{\alpha, \beta} = (\alpha S - I)(\beta S + I)^{-1}$ .  
The optimal  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  that minimize the right-hand side of (29) are  $\alpha = \alpha_{opt}$  and  $\beta = \beta_{opt}$ .

- (b) For the transient and positive recurrent cases,  $\rho(R_{\beta, \alpha})\rho(S_{\alpha, \beta}) < 1$ .  
(c) For the null-recurrent case,  $\rho(R_{\alpha, \beta})\rho(S_{\alpha, \beta}) = 1$ .

# ADDA and SDA

- The SDA is a particular case of the ADDA. That is, if we let  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ , then the ADDA is equivalent to the SDA.
- Wang, Wang, and Li also showed that the upper-bound is less than that of the SDA, that is,  $\rho(R_{\beta,\alpha})\rho(S_{\alpha,\beta}) \leq \rho(R_\gamma)\rho(S_\gamma)$  with  $\gamma = \max\{\alpha, \beta\}$ . Hence the ADDA converges faster than the SDA (Section 5 of [18]).

## Shifted NARE

- As for the null-recurrent case, it is known that the SDA and ADDA can show a linear convergence of rate  $1/2$  [12, 18].
- Guo, Iannazzo, and Meini [12] proposed a shift technique for improving the convergence rate for the null-recurrent case.
- Recall that the left and right eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue 0 of  $M = \begin{pmatrix} -B & -C \\ -D & -A \end{pmatrix}$  are given as

$$\mathbf{u} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^{-1} \Lambda \pi' \\ 0.5 \Delta_{\sigma} \pi' \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{1} \\ \Delta_{\sigma} \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix},$$

- We let  $v = (\mathbf{u}' \mathbf{1})^{-1}$  and define  $\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{p}'_1 \ \mathbf{p}'_2)' = (\mathbf{v}' \mathbf{1})^{-1} \mathbf{1}$  so that  $\mathbf{p} > \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{p}' \mathbf{v} = 1$ .

## Shifted NARE

- For positive and null recurrent cases, the shifted NARE is given as

$$\widehat{A}Z + Z\widehat{B} + Z\widehat{C}Z + \widehat{D} = \mathbf{0} \quad (30)$$

where, with a scalar  $\eta > 0$ ,

$$\widehat{A} = A + \eta \mathbf{v}_2 \mathbf{p}'_2, \quad \widehat{B} = B - \eta \mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{p}'_1, \quad \widehat{C} = C - \eta \mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{p}'_2, \quad \widehat{D} = D + \eta \mathbf{v}_2 \mathbf{p}'_1.$$

- For transient case, the shifted NARE is given as

$$\widehat{A}_t Z + Z\widehat{B}_t + Z\widehat{C}_t Z + \widehat{D}_t = \mathbf{0}, \quad (31)$$

where  $\widehat{A}_t = B' + \eta v \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{1}'$ ,  $\widehat{B}_t = A' - \eta v \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{1}'$ ,  $\widehat{C}_t = C' - \eta v \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{1}'$ ,  
 $\widehat{D}_t = D' + \eta v \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{1}'$ .

In this case, the transformed NARE (31) is positive recurrent and the minimal nonnegative solution is equal to  $X'$ .

## Shifted NARE: positive and null recurrent case

**Theorem 3** Let  $\widehat{H}_k$  denote the  $H_k$ -matrix in the  $k$ -th iteration of the SDA when it is applied to the shifted NARE (30). Then  $\widehat{H}_k$  approximates  $X$  which is the minimal nonnegative solution of the NARE (14) and its convergence is quadratic with

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[2^k]{\|\widehat{H}_k - X\|} \leq \rho(\widehat{R}_\gamma)\rho(\widehat{S}_\gamma) < \rho(R_\gamma)\rho(S_\gamma) \leq 1,$$

where  $\widehat{R}_\gamma$  and  $\widehat{R}_\gamma$  are the Cayley transform of  $\widehat{R} = -\widehat{B} - \widehat{C}X$  and  $\widehat{S} = -\widehat{A} - \widehat{D}\widehat{Y}$  with  $\widehat{Y}$  being the minimal solution of the dual NARE of (30).

## Shifted NARE: positive and null recurrent case

- Guo, Iannazzo, and Meini showed that  $\rho(\widehat{R}_\gamma) < \rho(R_\gamma) = 1$  and  $\rho(\widehat{S}_\gamma) = \rho(S_\gamma) \leq 1$ .
- When the ADDA is applied to the shifted NARE, the upper bound of the limit is  $\rho(\widehat{R}_{\beta,\alpha})\rho(\widehat{S}_{\alpha,\beta})$  where

$$\widehat{R}_{\beta,\alpha} = (\beta\widehat{R} - I)(\alpha\widehat{R} + I)^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \widehat{S}_{\alpha,\beta} = (\alpha\widehat{S} - I)(\beta\widehat{S} + I)^{-1}.$$

- It holds that  $\rho(\widehat{R}_{\beta,\alpha})\rho(\widehat{S}_{\alpha,\beta}) \leq \rho(\widehat{R}_\gamma)\rho(\widehat{S}_\gamma) < \rho(R_\gamma)\rho(S_\gamma) \leq 1$  with  $\gamma = \max\{\alpha, \beta\}$ .
- Therefore, when the SDA and ADDA are applied to the shifted NARE, the quadratic convergence is guaranteed even for the null-recurrent case.

## IV. Numerical study

## Example 1: Brownian case

- We consider 10, 100, 500 for the dimension  $n$  of  $Q$ .
- We let  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mu \mathbf{1}_n$  and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \sigma \mathbf{1}_n$  with  $\mu = 0, 1, 10$  and  $\sigma = 1, 10$ .
- We determine the values of the off-diagonal elements of  $Q$  using ceiling number of the uniform random numbers in  $(0, 100)$ , then diagonal elements are given so that the row sums of  $Q$  are to be 0.
- With these choices, for any  $Q$ , the MMBM is simply an ordinary Brownian motion with drift parameter  $\mu$  and diffusion parameter  $\sigma$ .
- Hence, with  $a$  being the initial level, the first passage probability is explicitly given as  $P(\tau < \infty | B(0) = a) = \exp(-a(\mu + |\mu|)/\sigma^2)$ . (See [8].) In this example, we let  $a = 3$ .

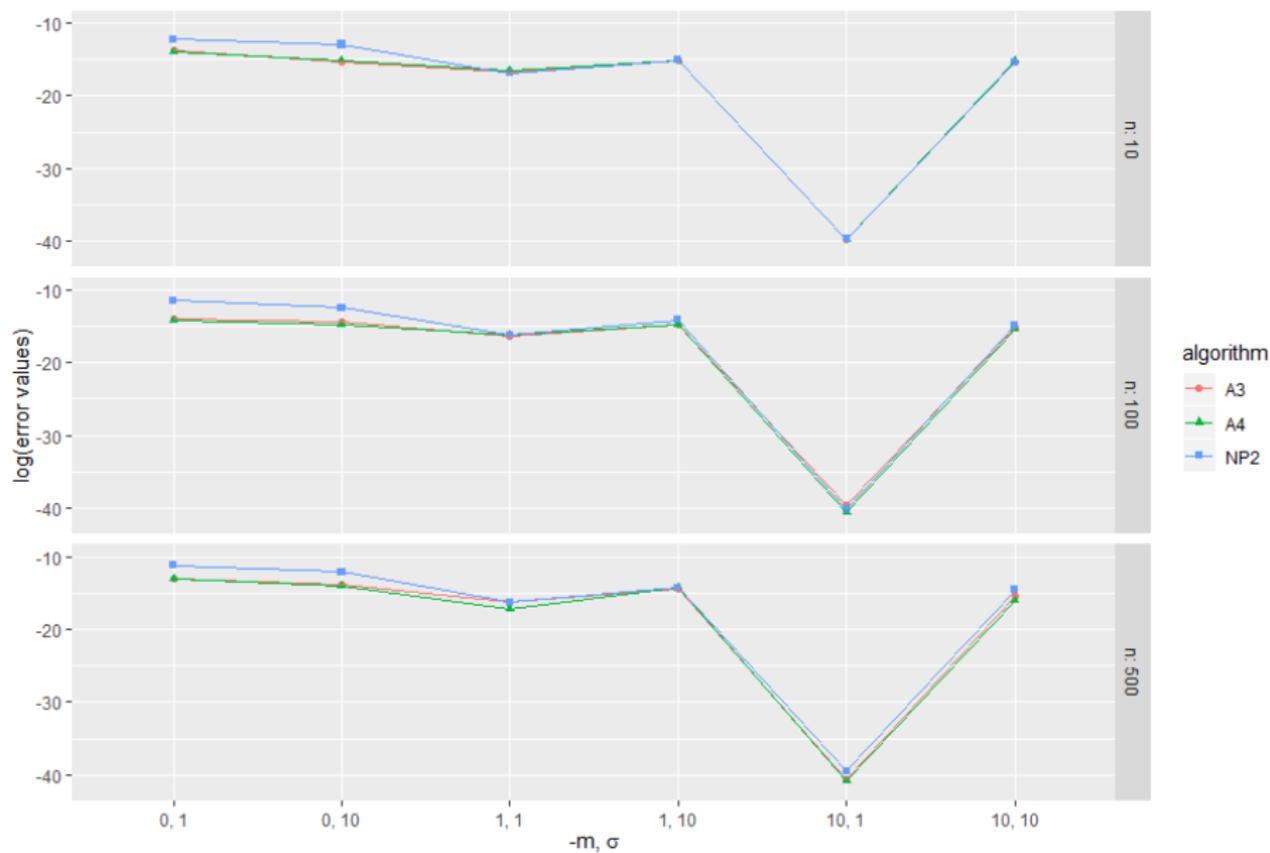
# Algorithms

- In our paper, we compare the following algorithms, which are
  - ▶  $A1$  : SDA applied to the original NARE;
  - ▶  $A2$  : ADDA applied to the original NARE;
  - ▶  $A3$  : SDA applied to the shifted NARE;
  - ▶  $A4$  : ADDA applied to the shifted NARE;
  - ▶  $NP1$  : Nguyen and Poloni's algorithm without using GTH-like algorithm;
  - ▶  $NP2$  : Nguyen and Poloni's algorithm using GTH-like algorithm (Algorithm 3 in [16]).
- But, in this talk, we present the results only on  $A3$ ,  $A4$  and  $NP2$ . It is because the results show that  $A3$  and  $A4$  are better than  $A1$  and  $A2$ , and  $NP2$  is better than  $NP1$ .

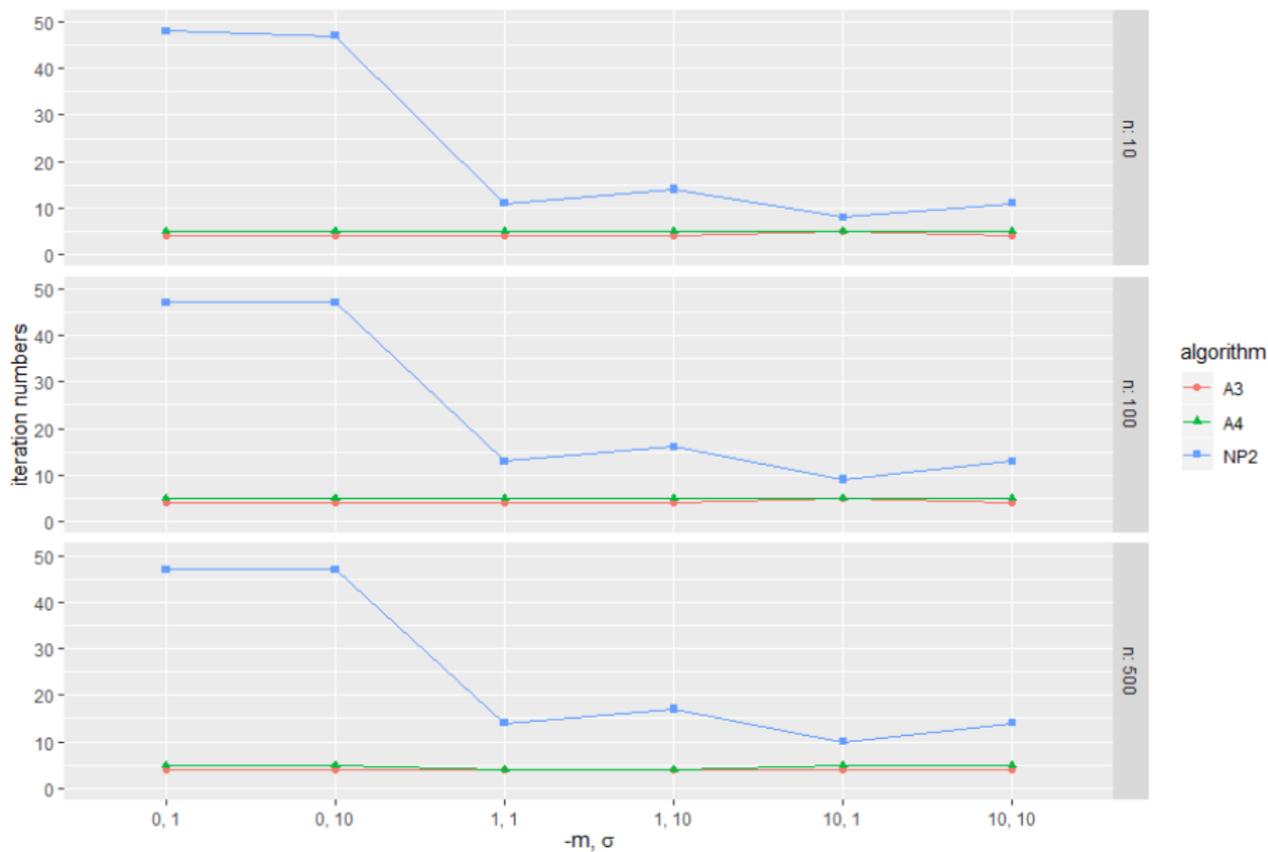
# Measures and stopping criterion

- Measures
  - ▶ To compare the accuracy of the algorithms, we consider the absolute error values, that is, the differences between the exact value ( $e^{-3(\mu+|\mu|)/\sigma^2}$ ) of the first passage probability and its numerical values computed by the algorithms.
  - ▶ To compare the speed of the algorithms, we take into account the total number of iterations and cpu-times necessary for the algorithms to produce their values of the first passage probability.
- For stopping criterion, we use the maximum matrix norm and the value  $10^{-12}$ .

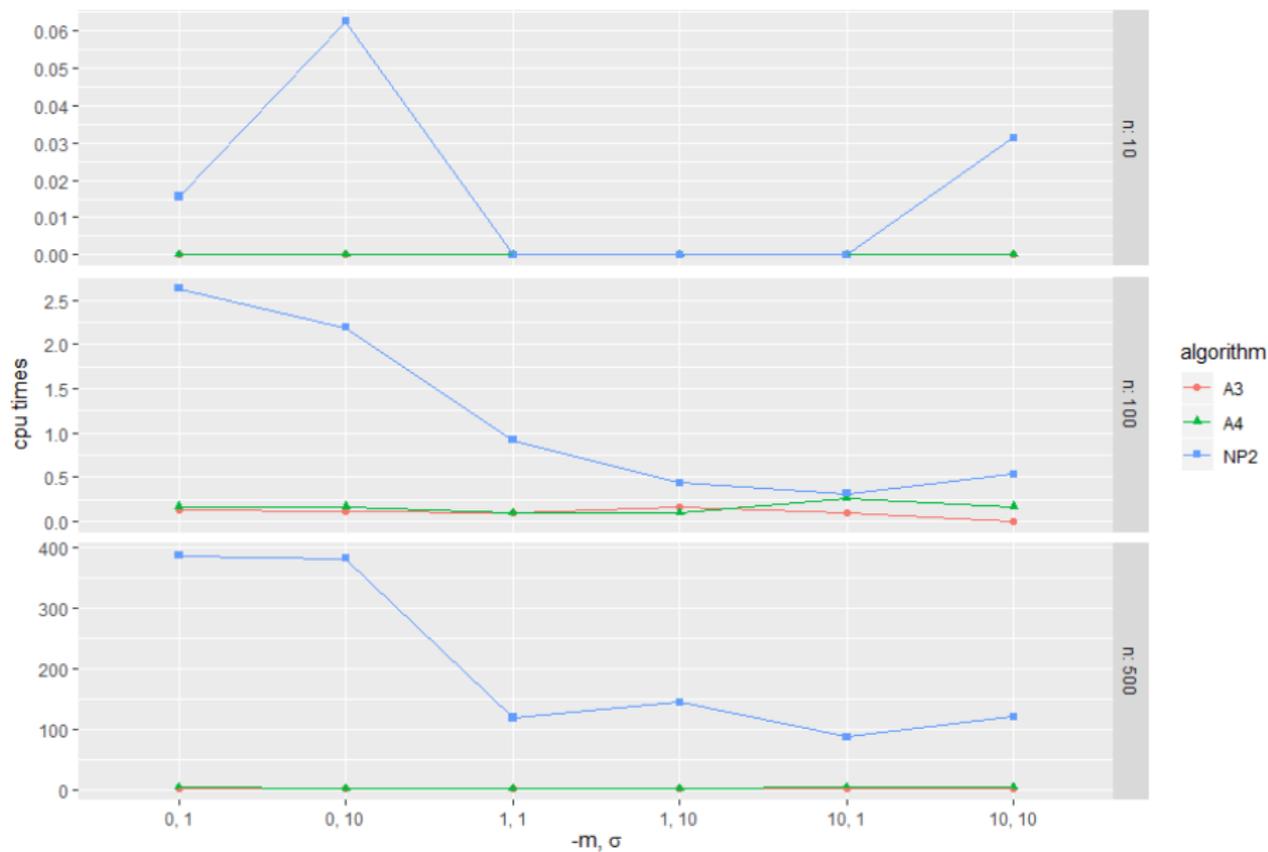
# Example 1: $\log_{10}$ (Absolute error value)



# Example 1: Iteration numbers



# Example 1: CPU times



## V. Concluding Remarks

- we show that the numerical algorithms solving the NARE developed by Ahn and Ramaswami can be better options.
- In particular, we show that the quadratically convergent doubling algorithms (A3- and A4-Algorithms) performs better than the NP2-Algorithm through numerical examples.
- There exist other interesting methods solving NARE's such as Newton-method, deflating technique, and GTH-like algorithm [11, 19, 9], which are not considered in this paper. We investigate these algorithms in our further studies.



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