

On the Weak Approximation of Jump-Diffusion Processes with Applications in Finance

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Outline

- **jump-diffusion stochastic differential equations in finance**
- **strong and weak numerical schemes**
- **weak numerical schemes**
 - Taylor and jump-adapted weak schemes
 - derivative free, implicit, predictor-corrector schemes
 - numerical results

Literature on Jumps in Finance

- Merton (1976) \Rightarrow Merton model
- Madan & Seneta (1990), Eberlein & Keller (1995) \Rightarrow Lévy
- Bates (1996) \Rightarrow stochastic volatility
- Björk, Kabanov & Runggaldier (1997) \Rightarrow term structure
- Cont & Tankov (2003) \Rightarrow jumps in finance
- Glasserman (2004) \Rightarrow Monte Carlo
- Geman & Roncoroni (2005) \Rightarrow electricity prices

Problem Setting

- **SDE:**

$$dX_t = a(t, X_t)dt + b(t, X_t)dW_t + c(t-, X_{t-}) dJ_t$$

- $J_t = N_t$: Poisson process, intensity $\lambda < \infty$
- $J_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} (\xi_i - 1)$: compound Poisson, ξ_i i.i.d r.v.
- Poisson random measure
- $\{(\tau_i, \xi_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, N_T\}$

Examples

- Merton Model

$$dX_t = X_{t-} (\mu dt + \sigma dW_t + dJ_t),$$

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$$X_t = X_0 e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma W_t} \prod_{i=1}^{N_t} \xi_i$$

- Bates Model

- Credit Risk Models

Numerical Approximations

- time discretization

$$t_n = n\Delta$$

- discrete time approximation

$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + a(Y_n)\Delta + b(Y_n)\Delta W_n + c(Y_n)\Delta J_n$$

- strong schemes \implies pathwise approximations
- weak schemes \implies probability approximations

Strong Convergence

- **Applications:** scenario analysis, filtering and hedge simulation
- **Strong Convergence:**

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} E(|X_T - Y_N^\Delta|^2) = 0$$

- **Order:** $Y^\Delta \longrightarrow X$ with **strong order** γ if

$$\varepsilon_s(\Delta) = \sqrt{E(|X_T - Y_N^\Delta|^2)} \leq K \Delta^\gamma$$

Weak Convergence

- **Applications:** derivative pricing and evaluation of risk measures
- **Weak Convergence:**

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} |E(g(X_T)) - E(g(Y_N^\Delta))| = 0$$

example: $g(x) = x^q$, $g(x) = (x - K)^+$, $g(x) = I_{\{x \leq c\}}$

- **Order:** $Y^\Delta \longrightarrow X$ with **weak order** β if

$$\varepsilon_w(\Delta) = |E(g(X_T)) - E(g(Y_N^\Delta))| \leq K \Delta^\beta$$

Example on a Diffusion

- **geometric Brownian motion**

$$dX_t = r X_t dt + \sigma X_t dW_t$$

- **Euler scheme** ($\gamma = 0.5, \beta = 1$)

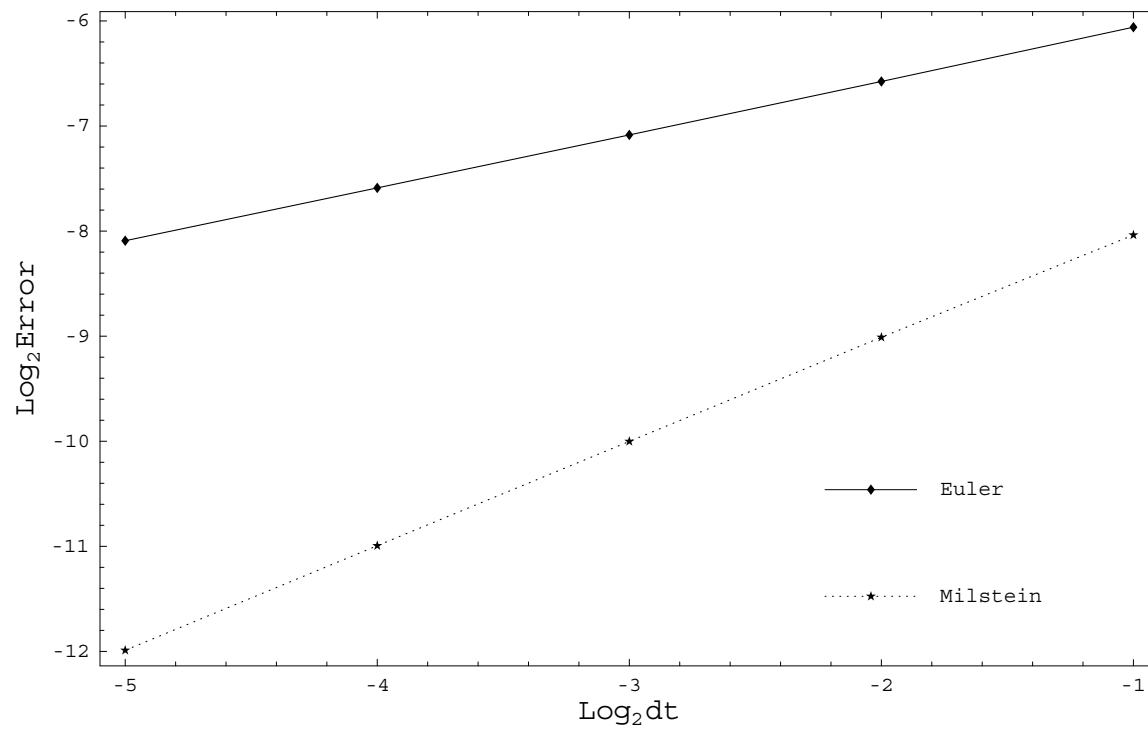
$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + r Y_n \Delta + \sigma Y_n \Delta W_n$$

- **Milstein scheme** ($\gamma = 1, \beta = 1$)

$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + r Y_n \Delta + \sigma Y_n \Delta W_n + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} Y_n ((\Delta W_n)^2 - \Delta)$$

Strong Error

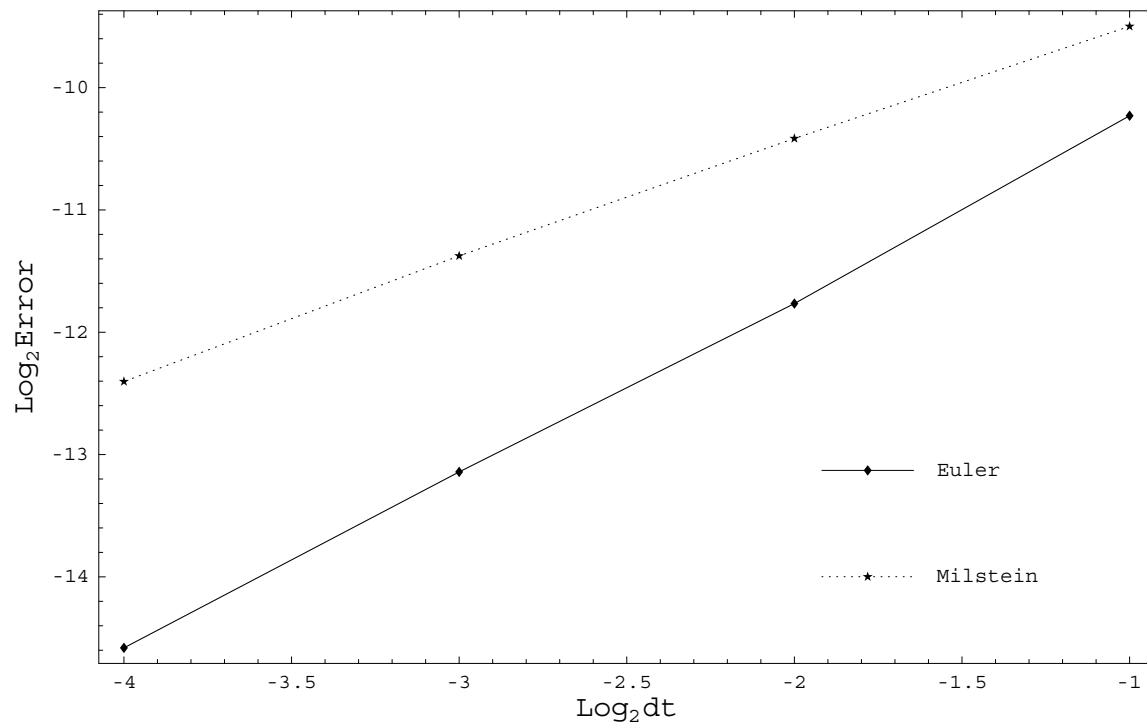
geometric brownian motion : $r = 0.05$, $\sigma = 0.2$, $X_0 = 1$, $T = 0.5$



Log-log plot of the strong error.

Weak Error

call payoff : $r = 0.05$, $\sigma = 0.2$, $X_0 = 1$, $T = 0.5$, strike = 1



Log-log plot of the weak error.

Literature on Weak Schemes

- Mikulevicius & Platen (1991) \Rightarrow jump-adapted order $\beta \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ weak schemes
- Liu & Li (2000) \Rightarrow order $\beta \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ weak Taylor, extrapolation and simplified schemes
- Glassermann & Merener (2000) and Kubilius & Platen (2002) \Rightarrow jump-adapted schemes with weaker assumptions on coefficients
- Bruti-Liberati & Platen (2005) \Rightarrow jump-adapted order $\beta \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ derivative free, implicit and predictor-corrector schemes

Weak Approximations

- compute the functional

$$E(g(X_T^{t,x})) := u(t, x)$$

- $u(t, x)$ satisfies the PIDE

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \mathcal{L} u = 0 \\ u(T, x) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

with

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{b(x)^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + a(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \int_{\mathcal{E}} \left(u(t, x + c(x, v)) - u(t, x) \right) \phi(dv)$$

Euler Scheme

- SDE

$$dX_t = a(X_t)dt + b(X_t)dW_t + c(X_{t-}) dN_t$$

- Euler scheme

$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + a(Y_n)\Delta + b(Y_n)\Delta W_n + c(Y_n)\Delta p_n$$

where

$$\Delta W_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Delta) \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta p_n = N_{t_{n+1}} - N_{t_n} \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda\Delta)$$

- $\beta = 1$.

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Order 2.0 Weak Taylor Scheme

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{n+1} = & Y_n + a\Delta + b\Delta W_n + c\Delta p_n + \left(a a' + \frac{1}{2} a'' b^2 \right) I_{(0,0)} + a' b I_{(1,0)} \\ & + \left(a b' + \frac{1}{2} b'' b^2 \right) I_{(0,1)} + b b' I_{(1,1)} + b c' I_{(1,-1)} \\ & + L^{(-1)} b I_{(-1,1)} + L^{(-1)} c I_{(-1,-1)} \\ & + \left(a c' + \frac{1}{2} c'' b^2 \right) I_{(0,-1)} + L^{(-1)} a I_{(-1,0)}, \end{aligned}$$

with $I_{(i,j)}$ multiple stochastic integrals

Order 2.0 Weak Taylor Scheme

$$I_{(1,-1)} = \sum_{i=N(t_n)+1}^{N(t_{n+1})} W_{\tau_i} - \Delta p_n W_{t_n}, \quad I_{(-1,1)} = \Delta p_n \Delta W_n - I_{(1,-1)}$$

- simulation jump times $\tau_i : W_{\tau_i} \implies I_{(1,-1)}$ and $I_{(-1,1)}$
- Computational effort heavily dependent on intensity λ

Jump-Adapted Approximations

jump-adapted time discretisation



jump times included in time discretisation

- **jump-adapted Euler scheme**

$$Y_{t_{n+1}-} = Y_{t_n} + a(Y_{t_n})\Delta t_n + b(Y_{t_n})\Delta W_{t_n} \quad (1)$$

and

$$Y_{t_{n+1}} = Y_{t_{n+1}-} + c(Y_{t_{n+1}-}) (J(t_{n+1}) - J(t_{n+1}-)) \quad (2)$$

- $\beta = 1$

Jump-Adapted Simplified Schemes

- **jump-adapted simplified Euler scheme**

$$Y_{t_{n+1}-} = Y_{t_n} + a(Y_{t_n})\Delta t_n + b(Y_{t_n})\Delta\widehat{W}_n^2$$

and

$$Y_{t_{n+1}} = Y_{t_{n+1}-} + c(Y_{t_{n+1}-}) (J(t_{n+1}) - J(t_{n+1}-))$$

- if $\Delta\widehat{W}_n^2$ match first 3 moments of $\Delta W_n \implies \beta = 1$

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$$P(\Delta\widehat{W}_n^2 = \pm\sqrt{\Delta}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Jump-Adapted Taylor Approximations

- jump-adapted order 2 weak Taylor scheme

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{t_{n+1}-} &= Y_{t_n} + a\Delta t_n + b\Delta W_{t_n} + \frac{bb'}{2} \left((\Delta W_{t_n})^2 - \Delta t_n \right) + a'b \Delta Z_{t_n} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \left(aa' + \frac{1}{2}a''b^2 \right) \Delta t_n^2 + \left(ab' + \frac{1}{2}b''b^2 \right) \{ \Delta W_{t_n} \Delta t_n - \Delta Z_{t_n} \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$Y_{t_{n+1}} = Y_{t_{n+1}-} + c(Y_{t_{n+1}-}) (J(t_{n+1}) - J(t_{n+1}-))$$

- $\beta = 2$

Implicit Schemes

- implicit schemes \Rightarrow wide stability regions
- **jump-adapted implicit Euler scheme**

$$Y_{t_{n+1}-} = Y_{t_n} + \{\theta a(Y_{t_{n+1}-}) + (1 - \theta)a\} \Delta t_n + b \Delta W_{t_n}$$

with $\theta \in [0, 1]$

- $\beta = 1$
- additional algebraic equation

Predictor-Corrector Schemes

- predictor-corrector \Rightarrow stability and efficiency
- **jump-adapted predictor-corrector Euler scheme**

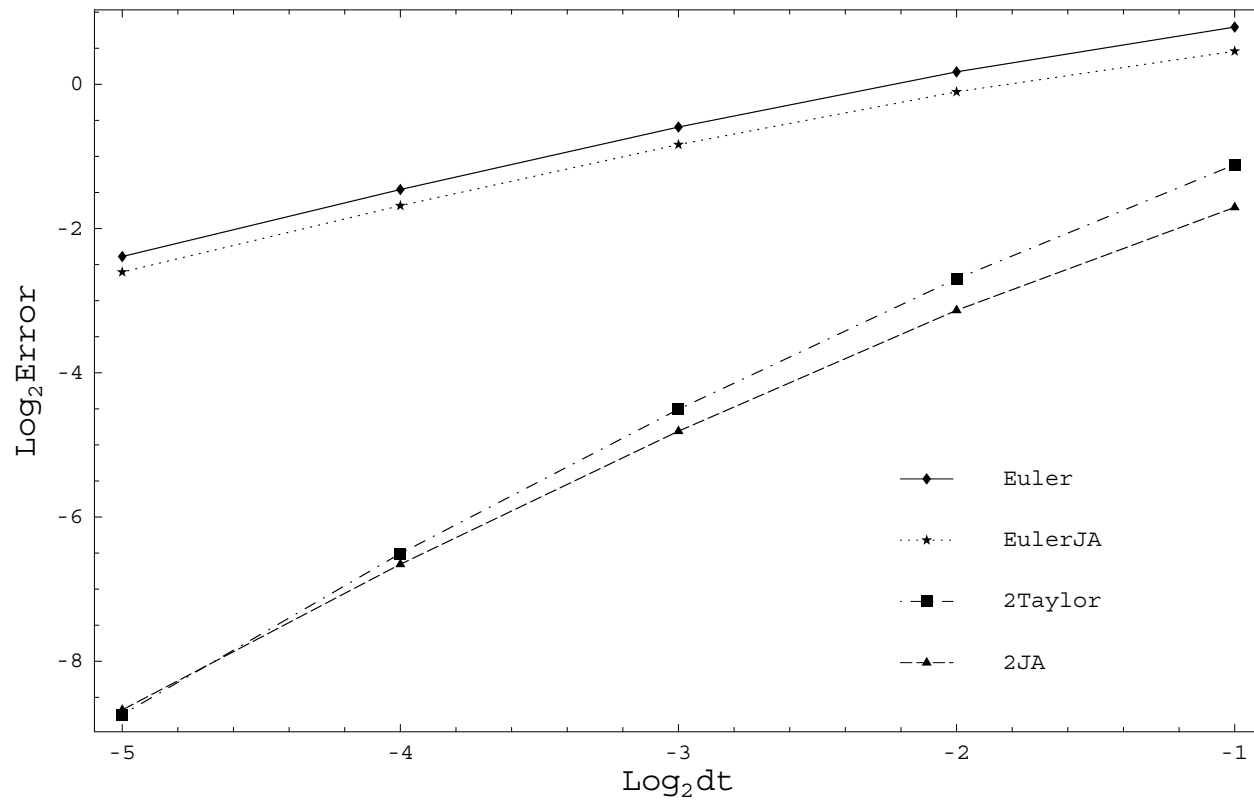
$$Y_{t_{n+1}-} = Y_{t_n} + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ a(\bar{Y}_{t_{n+1}-}) + a \right\} \Delta t_n + b \Delta W_{t_n}$$

with predictor

$$\bar{Y}_{t_{n+1}-} = Y_{t_n} + a \Delta t_n + b \Delta W_{t_n}$$

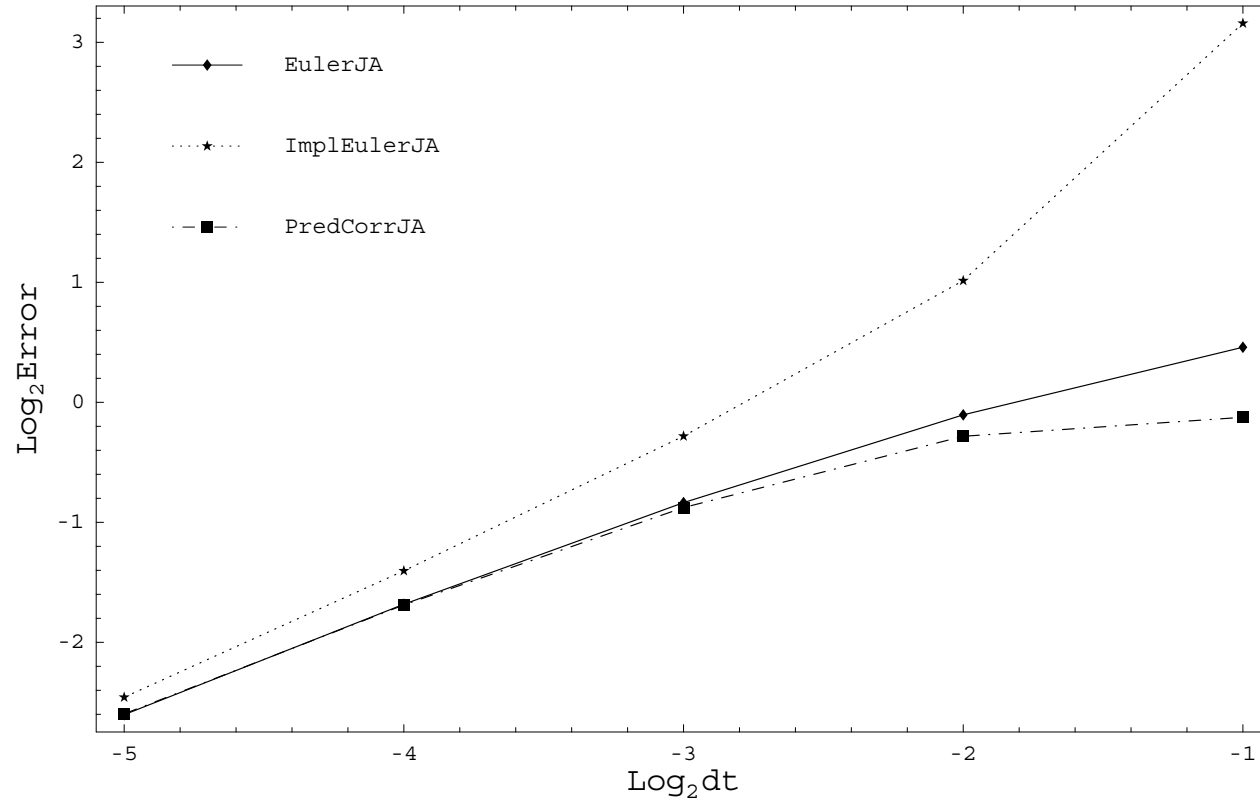
- $\beta = 1$

Numerical Results



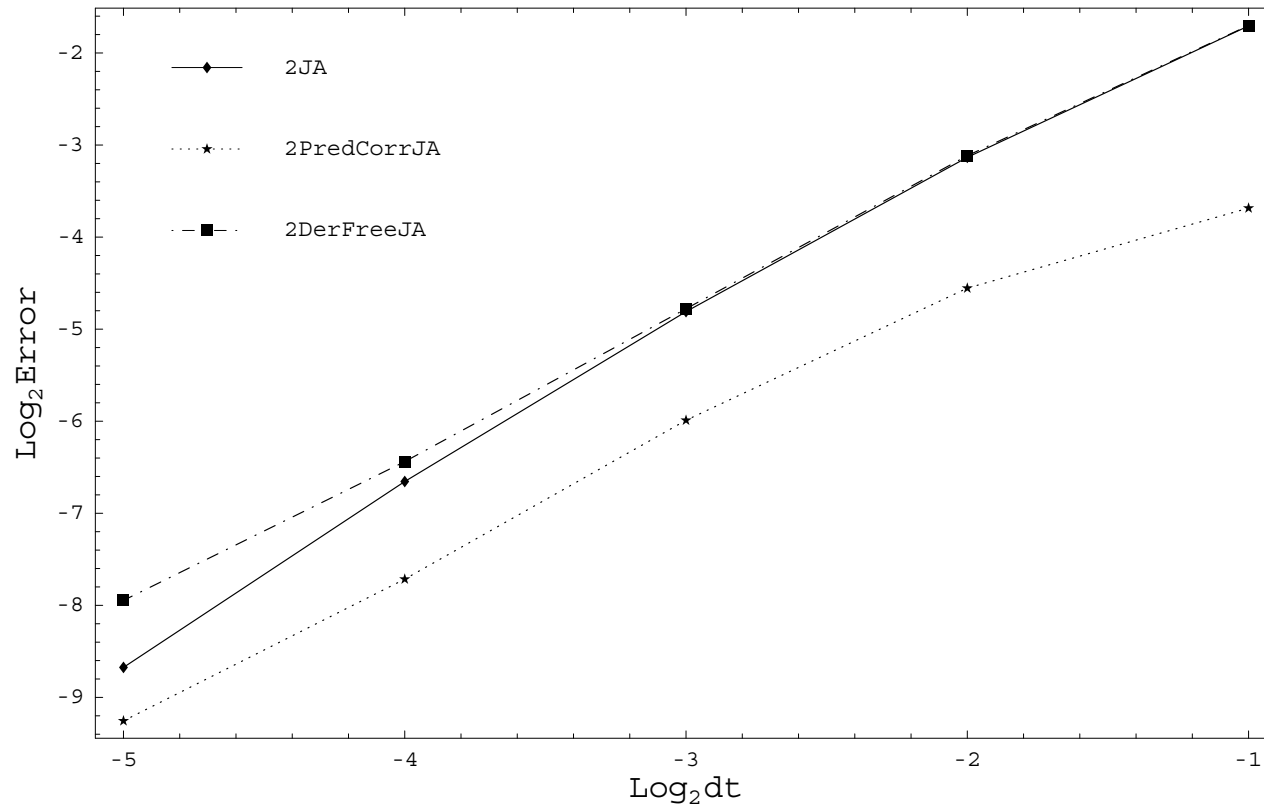
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Weak Taylor Approximations

- higher order schemes : time, Wiener and Poisson multiple integrals
- higher order schemes: computational effort dependent on intensity
- random jump size difficult to handle

Jump-Adapted Weak Approximations

- tractable higher order schemes: only time and Wiener multiple integrals
- pure diffusion approximations \Rightarrow jump-adapted approximations
- random jump size easy to handle
- simplified schemes
- computational effort dependent on the intensity