

# Multivariate Stochastic Volatility Models and Large Deviation Principles

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# Outline

The following topics will be addressed in the talk:

- Multivariate time-inhomogeneous stochastic volatility models.
- Volterra type volatility processes.
- Restrictions on volatility models.
- Sample path large deviation principles for log-processes.
- Large deviation principles for volatility processes.
- First exit times for log-processes.
- Binary barrier options.
- Examples of models satisfying a comprehensive large deviation principle.

The talk is based on the paper: A. G., Multivariate stochastic volatility models and large deviation principles, submitted for publication, available at arXiv:2203.09015, 2022 (see also the author's papers [11] – [15]).

More papers to pay attention to: Bayer-Friz-Gassiat-Martin-Stemper [2], Chiarini-Fischer [5], Jacquier-Pannier [16], Nualart-Rovira [18], Rovira-Sanz-Solé [20], Wang [22], Zhang [23].

# Multivariate Time-Inhomogeneous Stochastic Volatility Models

This talk deals with general multivariate time-inhomogeneous stochastic volatility models. Such a model is described by the following multidimensional stochastic differential equation:

$$dS_t = S_t \circ [b(t, \hat{B}_t)dt + \sigma(t, \hat{B}_t)(\bar{C}dW_t + CdB_t)], \quad 0 \leq t \leq T, \quad S_0 = s_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad (1)$$

where the initial condition  $s_0 = (s_0^{(1)}, \dots, s_0^{(m)})$  is such that  $s_i > 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .

- The equation in (1) is defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  carrying two independent  $m$ -dimensional standard Brownian motions  $W$  and  $B$  with respect to the measure  $\mathbb{P}$ .
- By  $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$  is denoted the augmentation of the filtration generated by the processes  $W$  and  $B$ . We will also use the augmentation of the filtration generated by the process  $B$ , and denote it by  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ .
- The symbol  $b$  in (1) stands for a continuous map defined on  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . We call  $b$  the drift map. By  $\sigma$  is denoted a continuous map of  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$  into the space of  $(m \times m)$  real matrices. This map is called the volatility map.
- The process  $\hat{B} = (\hat{B}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{B}^{(d)})$  appearing in (1) is a continuous  $d$ -dimensional stochastic process adapted to the filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ . The process  $\hat{B}$  is called the volatility process.

- $\mathbb{R}^m$  is the  $m$ -dimensional Euclidean space equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_m$ .
- For a real  $(m \times m)$ -matrix  $M$ , its Frobenius norm will be denoted by  $\|M\|_{m \times m}$  and the symbol  $M'$  stands for the transpose of  $M$ .
- The symbol  $\circ$  in (1) stands for the Hadamard (component-wise) product of vectors.
- The matrix  $C$  in (1) is a real  $(m \times m)$ -matrix such that  $\|C\|_{m \times m} < 1$ . It is clear that the matrix  $\text{Id}_m - C'C$  is symmetric and positive definite, and we denote the unique symmetric and positive definite square root of the matrix  $\text{Id}_m - C'C$  by  $\bar{C}$ .
- The model in (1) can be interpreted as a time-inhomogeneous stochastic volatility model describing the time-behavior of price processes of correlated risky assets. The matrix-valued process  $\sigma(t, \hat{B}_t)$ , with  $t \in [0, T]$ , characterizes the joint volatility of these assets.

## Set-Ups. Canonical set-up on $\mathcal{W}^p$

We adopt the terminology (set-ups) used in Rogers-Williams [19].

**Definition 1.** *The system  $(\Omega, W, B, \mathcal{F}_T, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}, \mathbb{P})$  is called a set-up associated with the model in (1), while the system  $(\Omega, B, \mathcal{F}_T^B, \{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}, \mathbb{P})$  is called a set-up associated with the volatility process in (1).*

*Canonical set-up.* For a positive integer  $p \geq 1$ , the symbol  $\mathcal{W}^p$  stands for the space of continuous  $\mathbb{R}^p$ -valued maps on  $[0, T]$  equipped with the norm  $\|f\| = \max_{t \in [0, T]} \|f(t)\|_p$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{W}^p$ .

Let  $B_s$ , with  $s \in [0, T]$ , be the coordinate process on  $\mathcal{W}^p$ . Define a filtration on the space  $\mathcal{W}^p$  by  $\mathcal{B}_t^p = \sigma(B_s : 0 \leq s \leq t)$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ . The augmentation  $\{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_t^p\}$  of the filtration  $\{\mathcal{B}_t^p\}$  is called the canonical filtration on  $\mathcal{W}^p$ .

Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be the Wiener measure on  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_T^p$ . The coordinate process  $s \mapsto B_s$  plays the role of  $p$ -dimensional standard Brownian motion with respect to the measure  $\mathbb{P}$ .

**Definition 2.** *The ordered system  $(\mathcal{W}^p, B, \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_T^p, \{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_t^p\}, \mathbb{P})$  is called the canonical set-up on  $\mathcal{W}^p$ .*

## Canonical Set-Up on $\mathcal{W}^m \times \mathcal{W}^m$

- Denote the coordinate processes on  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  by  $W$  and  $B$ , respectively, and consider the filtration on  $\Omega$  generated by the process  $t \mapsto (W_t, B_t)$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ .
- Denote by  $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$  the augmentation of this filtration with respect to the measure  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}_1 \times \mathbb{P}_2$ , where  $\mathbb{P}_1$  and  $\mathbb{P}_2$  are the Wiener measures on  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$ , respectively.
- By  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}$  will be denoted the augmentation of the filtration generated by process  $t \mapsto B_t$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ .
- The processes  $W$  and  $B$  are independent  $m$ -dimensional Brownian motions defined on the space  $\Omega$ .
- The system  $(\Omega, W, B, \mathcal{F}_T, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}, \{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}, \mathbb{P})$  is called the canonical set-up on the space  $\Omega = \mathcal{W}^m \times \mathcal{W}^m$ .



## The Log-Process

It can be established using the Doléans-Dade formula that the log-process  $X = \log S$  can be represented as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} X_t &= x_0 + \int_0^t b(s, \widehat{B}_s) ds - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \text{diag}(\sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s) \sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s)') ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s) (\bar{C} dW_s + C dB_s), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$  be the scaling parameter. The scaled version of the log-process  $X$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} X_t^{(\varepsilon)} &= x_0 + \int_0^t b(s, \widehat{B}_s^{(\varepsilon)}) ds - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \int_0^t \text{diag}(\sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s^{(\varepsilon)}) \sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s^{(\varepsilon)})') ds \\ &\quad + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \int_0^t \sigma(s, \widehat{B}_s^{(\varepsilon)}) (\bar{C} dW_s + C dB_s) \end{aligned}$$

where  $X_0^{(\varepsilon)} = x_0$  for all  $s \in (0, 1]$ . The scaled volatility process  $\widehat{B}^{(\varepsilon)}$  appearing in the previous formula will be introduced later.

## One-Factor Models

In the case where  $m = 1$ , we use the correlation parameter  $\rho \in (-1, 1)$  and set  $\bar{\rho} = \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$ .

Therefore, the equation describing the evolution of the process  $S$  is as follows:

$$dS_t = S_t[b(t, \hat{B}_t)dt + \sigma(t, \hat{B}_t)(\bar{\rho}dW_t + \rho dB_t)], \quad S_0 = s_0 > 0.$$

Moreover, the log-process is given by

$$X_t = x_0 + \int_0^t b(s, \hat{B}_s)ds - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \sigma(s, \hat{B}_s)^2 ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, \hat{B}_s)(\bar{\rho}dW_s + \rho dB_s)$$

where  $x_0 = \log s_0$ .

## Assumption A

A modulus of continuity is a nonnegative nondecreasing function  $\omega$  on  $[0, \infty)$  such that  $\omega(s) \rightarrow 0$  as  $s \rightarrow 0$ .

Let  $x = (t_1, v_1)$  and  $y = (t_2, v_2)$  be elements of the space  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$  equipped with the Euclidean distance  $v_d(x, y) = \sqrt{(t_1 - t_2)^2 + \|v_1 - v_2\|_d^2}$ . Denote by  $\overline{B_d(r)}$  the closed ball centered at  $(0, 0)$  of radius  $r > 0$  in the metric space defined above, and let  $\omega$  be a modulus of continuity on  $[0, \infty)$ .

**Definition 3.** A map  $\lambda : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto \mathbb{R}^1$  is called locally  $\omega$ -continuous if for every  $r > 0$  there exists  $L(r) > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in \overline{B_d(r)}$  the following inequality holds:

$$|\lambda(x) - \lambda(y)| \leq L(r)\omega(v_d(x, y)).$$

*Assumption A:* The components of the drift map  $b$  and the elements of the volatility map  $\sigma$  are locally  $\omega$ -continuous on the space  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$  for some modulus of continuity  $\omega$ . In addition, the elements of the volatility map  $\sigma$  are not identically zero on  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$ .

# Volatility Equations

Let  $Y$  be a stochastic process satisfying the following Volterra type stochastic integral equation on  $\mathcal{W}^m$  equipped with the canonical set-up:

$$Y_t = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, V^{(1)}, Y) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, V^{(2)}, Y) dB_s.$$

- The previous equation will be called the volatility equation. In it,  $a$  is a map from the space  $[0, T]^2 \times \mathcal{W}^{k_1} \times \mathcal{W}^d$  into the space  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , while  $c$  is a map from the space  $[0, T]^2 \times \mathcal{W}^{k_2} \times \mathcal{W}^d$  into the space of  $(d \times m)$ -matrices. More restrictions on the maps  $a$  and  $c$  will be introduced later.
- The processes  $V^{(i)}, i = 1, 2$ , appearing in the volatility equation, are fixed auxiliary continuous stochastic processes on  $\mathcal{W}^m$  with state spaces  $\mathbb{R}^{k_1}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{k_2}$ , respectively.
- These processes satisfy the following stochastic differential equations:

$$V_s^{(i)} = V_0^{(i)} + \int_0^s \bar{b}_i(r, V^{(i)}) dr + \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, V^{(i)}) dB_r, \quad i = 1, 2 \quad (2)$$

where  $V_0^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{k_i}$  are initial conditions,  $\bar{b}_i$  are maps of  $[0, T] \times \mathcal{W}^{k_i}$  into  $\mathbb{R}^{k_i}$ , while  $\bar{\sigma}_i$  are maps of  $[0, T] \times \mathcal{W}^{k_i}$  into the space of  $k_i \times m$ -matrices.

It is assumed that the equations in (2) satisfy Conditions (H1) - (H6) introduced in [5] by Chiarini and Fischer. This paper was an important source of ideas in our work on volatility processes. However, Chiarini and Fischer did not study Volterra type processes in the paper [5].

**Remark 5.** *Examples of equations for which Conditions (H1) - (H6) hold true, include equations with locally Lipschitz coefficients satisfying the sub-linear growth condition and one-dimensional diffusion equations with Hölder dispersion coefficient, e.g, the CIR-equation.*

**Definition 6.** *The volatility process  $\hat{B}$  used in the general stochastic volatility model has the following form:  $\hat{B} = GY$ , where  $Y$  satisfies the volatility equation, while  $G$  is a continuous map from  $\mathcal{W}^d$  into itself that is  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_t^d / \mathcal{B}_t^d$ -measurable for every  $t \in [0, T]$ .*

**Definition 7.** *Denote by  $(\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m$  the  $m$ -dimensional Cameron-Martin space. For every function  $f \in (\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m$ , the function  $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{W}^d$  is defined by  $\hat{f} = G(\Gamma_y \hat{f})$  where  $\Gamma_y \hat{f}$  is the solution to the skeleton equation*

$$\Gamma_y \hat{f}(t) = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, \psi_{1,f}, \Gamma_y \hat{f}) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, \psi_{2,f}, \Gamma_y \hat{f}) \hat{f}(s) ds$$

(see Definition 15).

## Scaled Volatility Processes

A scaled version of the volatility equation has the following form:

$$Y_t^{(\varepsilon)} = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, V^{1,\varepsilon}, Y^{(\varepsilon)}) ds + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \int_0^t c(t, s, V^{2,\varepsilon}, Y^{(\varepsilon)}) dB_s.$$

- For every  $i = 1, 2$ , the process  $V^{i,\varepsilon}$  is a scaled version of the process  $V^{(i)}$ . It satisfies the equation

$$V_s^{i,\varepsilon} = V_0^{(i)} + \int_0^s \bar{b}_i(r, V^{i,\varepsilon}) dr + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, V^{i,\varepsilon}) dB_r.$$

- The previous equation has the unique strong solution and the path independence holds this equation if the conditions in Remark 5 are satisfied.

**Definition 7.** The scaled volatility process  $\hat{B}^{(\varepsilon)}$  is given by  $\hat{B}^{(\varepsilon)} = GY^{(\varepsilon)}$  where  $G$  is introduced in Definition 6, while  $Y^{(\varepsilon)}$  is the solution to the scaled volatility equation.



## Sample Path LDP for the Log-Process

A sample path large deviation principle (LDP) for a stochastic process characterizes logarithmic asymptotics of the probability that the path of a scaled version of the process belongs to a given set of paths. The theory of sample path large deviations goes back to the celebrated work of Varadhan [21] and Freidlin and Wentzell [10].

**Theorem 4.** *Suppose Assumption A and Assumptions (C1) – (C7) hold true, and the model in (1) is defined on the canonical set-up. Then, the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto X^{(\varepsilon)} - x_0$  with state space  $\mathcal{W}^m$  satisfies the sample path large deviation principle with speed  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  and good rate function  $\tilde{Q}_T$  defined on the previous slide. The validity of the large deviation principle means that for every Borel measurable subset  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\mathcal{W}^m$ , the following estimates hold:*

$$\begin{aligned} - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{A}^\circ} \tilde{Q}_T(g) &\leq \liminf_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \varepsilon \log \mathbb{P} \left( X^{(\varepsilon)} - x_0 \in \mathcal{A} \right) \\ &\leq \limsup_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \varepsilon \log \mathbb{P} \left( X^{(\varepsilon)} - x_0 \in \mathcal{A} \right) \leq - \inf_{g \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}} \tilde{Q}_T(g). \end{aligned}$$

*The symbols  $\mathcal{A}^\circ$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$  in the previous estimates stand for the interior and the closure of the set  $\mathcal{A}$ , respectively.*

## The Rate Function

- The rate function  $\tilde{Q}_T$  governing the large deviation principle for the log-process depends on the measurable map  $\Phi : \mathbf{C}_0^m \times \mathbf{C}_0^m \times \mathcal{W}^d \mapsto \mathbf{C}_0^m$  given by

$$\Phi(l, f, h)(t) = \int_0^t b(s, \hat{f}(s)) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s)) \bar{C} \dot{l}(s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s)) C \dot{f}(s) ds$$

for all  $l, f \in (\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m$ ,  $h = \hat{f} \in \mathcal{W}^d$ , and  $0 \leq t \leq T$ . For all the remaining triples  $(l, f, h)$ , we set  $\Phi(l, f, h)(t) = 0$  for  $t \in [0, T]$ .

- Let  $g \in \mathbf{C}_0^m$ , and define the function  $\tilde{Q}_T$  by

$$\tilde{Q}_T(g) = \inf_{l, f \in (\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|\dot{l}(s)\|_m^2 ds + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|\dot{f}(s)\|_m^2 ds : \Phi(l, f, \hat{f}(t)) = g(t), t \in [0, T] \right],$$

if the equation  $\Phi(l, f, \hat{f}(t)) = g(t)$  is solvable for  $l$  and  $f$ . If there is no solution, then we set  $\tilde{Q}_T(g) = \infty$ .



## The Rate Function. Simplifications

Suppose for every  $(t, u) \in [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$ , the matrix  $\sigma(t, u)$  is invertible. Then the following are true:

- For all functions  $g \in (\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m$ ,

$$\tilde{Q}_T(g) = \frac{1}{2} \inf_{f \in (\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m} \int_0^T (\|\bar{C}^{-1} \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s))^{-1} [\dot{g}(s) - b(s, \hat{f}(s)) - \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s)) C \dot{f}(s)]\|_m^2 + \|\dot{f}(s)\|_m^2) ds,$$

and  $\tilde{Q}_T(g) = \infty$  otherwise.

- The rate function  $\tilde{Q}_T$  is continuous in the topology of the space  $(\mathbb{H}_0^1)^m$ .
- If  $n = 1$ , then

$$\tilde{Q}_T(g) = \frac{1}{2} \inf_{f \in \mathbb{H}_0^1} \int_0^T \left[ \frac{(\dot{g}(s) - b(s, \hat{f}(s)) - \rho \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s)) \dot{f}(s))^2}{(1 - \rho^2) \sigma(s, \hat{f}(s))^2} + \dot{f}(s)^2 \right] ds.$$

## Sample Path LDPs for Volatility Processes

We will next formulate sample path LDPs for volatility processes. These LDPs hold under special restrictions on the volatility models (Assumptions (C1) – (C7) that will be explained later).

**Theorem 10.** *Suppose Assumptions (C1) – (C7) hold, and let  $Y^{(\varepsilon)}$  with  $Y_0^{(\varepsilon)} = y$  be the solution to the volatility equation in the canonical set-up. Then, the process  $Y^{(\varepsilon)}$  satisfies a sample path large deviation principle with speed  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  and good rate function defined on  $\mathcal{W}^d$  by*

$$I_y(\varphi) = \inf_{\{f \in L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m) : \Gamma_y(f) = \varphi\}} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|f(t)\|_m^2 dt$$

if  $\{f \in L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m) : \Gamma_y(f) = \varphi\} \neq \emptyset$ , and  $I_y(\varphi) = \infty$  otherwise.

**Theorem 11.** *Under the restrictions in Theorem 10, the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto (\sqrt{\varepsilon}W, \sqrt{\varepsilon}B, \widehat{B}^\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ , satisfies a sample path large deviation principle with speed  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  and good rate function defined on  $\mathcal{W}^m \times \mathcal{W}^m \times \mathcal{W}^d$  by*

$$\widetilde{I}_y(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|\dot{\varphi}_1(t)\|_m^2 dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|\dot{\varphi}_2(t)\|_m^2 dt$$

in the case where  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in (H_0^1)^m$  and  $\varphi_3 = \widehat{\varphi}_2$ , and by  $\widetilde{I}_y(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \varphi_3) = \infty$  otherwise.

## Controlled Counterparts of Volatility Equations

Let  $\mathcal{M}^2[0, T]$  be the space of all  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued square-integrable  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}$ -predictable processes. The controls will be chosen from the space  $\mathcal{M}^2[0, T]$ . Deterministic controls will be employed as well. They are functions belonging to the space  $L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m)$ .

**Definition 8.** Let  $N > 0$ . By  $\mathcal{M}_N^2[0, T]$  is denoted the class of controls  $v \in \mathcal{M}^2[0, T]$  satisfying the condition  $\int_0^T \|v_s\|_m^2 ds \leq N$   $\mathbb{P}$ -a.s.

Suppose  $v \in \mathcal{M}_N^2[0, T]$ . Then, the controlled counterparts of the volatility equations are as follows:

$$Y_t^{(v)} = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, V^{1,v}, Y^{(v)}) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, V^{2,v}, Y^{(v)}) v_s ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, V^{2,v}, Y^{(v)}) dB_s$$

and

$$V_s^{i,v} = V_0^{(i)} + \int_0^s \bar{b}_i(r, V^{i,v}) dr + \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, V^{i,v}) v_r dr + \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, V^{i,v}) dB_r, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

- Suppose  $v \in \mathcal{M}_N^2[0, T]$  for some  $N > 0$ . It follows from Girsanov's Theorem that the process

$$B_t^{(v)} = B_t + \int_0^t v_s ds, \quad t \in [0, T]$$

is an  $m$ -dimensional Brownian motion on  $\mathcal{W}^m$  with respect to a measure  $\mathbb{P}^{(v)}$  on  $\mathcal{F}_T^m$  that is equivalent to the measure  $\mathbb{P}$ .

- The process  $B^{(v)}$  is adapted to the filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}$ .
- It follows that the controlled volatility equations can be rewritten as follows:

$$Y_t^{(v)} = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, V^{1,v}, Y^{(v)}) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, V^{2,v}, Y^{(v)}) dB_s^{(v)} \quad (3)$$

and

$$V_s^{i,v} = V_0^{(i)} + \int_0^s \bar{b}_i(r, V^{i,v}) dr + \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, V^{i,v}) dB_r^{(v)}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

## Assumption (C1)

- For all  $(\eta_1, \varphi) \in \mathcal{W}^{k_1} \times \mathcal{W}^d$ , the map  $(t, s) \mapsto a(t, s, \eta_1, \varphi)$  is Borel measurable, with values in the space  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .
- For all  $(\eta_2, \varphi) \in \mathcal{W}^{k_2} \times \mathcal{W}^d$ , the map  $(t, s) \mapsto c(t, s, \eta_2, \varphi)$  is Borel measurable, with values in the space of  $d \times m$ -matrices.
- The maps  $a$  and  $c$  are of Volterra type in the first two variables.
- For every  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $(s, \eta_1, \varphi) \mapsto a(t, s, \eta_1, \varphi)$  and  $(s, \eta_2, \varphi) \mapsto c(t, s, \eta_2, \varphi)$  are predictable path functionals mapping the space  $[0, t] \times \mathcal{W}^{k_1} \times \mathcal{W}^d$  into the space  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and the space  $[0, t] \times \mathcal{W}^{k_2} \times \mathcal{W}^d$  into the space of  $d \times m$  matrices, respectively.
- The definition of a predictable path functional can be found in [19] (see Definition (8.3) and Remark (8.4) on p. 122). The requirement above is similar to Convention (8.7) on p. 123 in [19].

## Assumption (C2)

(a) Let  $\eta_1 \in \mathcal{W}^{k_1}$ ,  $\eta_2 \in \mathcal{W}^{k_2}$ , and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{W}^d$ . Then, the following inequalities hold for all  $t \in [0, T]$ :

$$\int_0^t \|a(t, s, \eta_1, \varphi)\|_d ds < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^T \|c(t, s, \eta_2, \varphi)\|_{d \times m}^2 ds < \infty.$$

(b) For all fixed  $\eta_1 \in \mathcal{W}^{k_1}$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{W}^d$ , the function

$$t \mapsto \int_0^t a(t, s, \eta_1, \varphi) ds$$

is a continuous  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued function on  $[0, T]$ . In addition, for every fixed  $t \in [0, T]$  the function

$$(\eta_1, \varphi) \mapsto \int_0^t a(t, s, \eta_1, \varphi) ds$$

is continuous on the space  $\mathcal{W}^{k_1} \times \mathcal{W}^d$ .

(c) Let  $\eta_{2,n} \rightarrow \eta_2$  in  $\mathcal{W}^{k_2}$  and  $\varphi_n \rightarrow \varphi$  in  $\mathcal{W}^d$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then, for every  $t \in [0, T]$ ,

$$\int_0^t \|c(t, s, \eta_{2,n}, \varphi_n) - c(t, s, \eta_2, \varphi)\|_{d \times m}^2 ds \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

## Assumption (C3)

- (a) For all  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$  there exists a strong solution to the scaled volatility equation.
- (b) Let  $v \in M_N^2[0, T]$  for some  $N > 0$ . Then, any two strong solutions to the equation in (3) are  $\mathbb{P}$ -indistinguishable.

**Remark 12.** *Assumption (C3)(b) is weaker than the pathwise uniqueness condition employed in [5].*

## Assumption (C4)

For every function  $f \in L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m)$ , the equation

$$\eta(t) = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, \psi_{1,f}, \eta) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, \psi_{2,f}, \eta) f(s) ds, \quad (4)$$

is uniquely solvable in  $\mathcal{W}^d$ .

**Remark 13.** Under the restrictions imposed on  $\bar{b}_i$  and  $\bar{\sigma}_i$  in [5], the functional equations

$$\psi_i(s) = V_0^{(i)} + \int_0^s \bar{b}_i(r, \psi_i) dr + \int_0^s \bar{\sigma}_i(r, \psi_i) f(r) dr, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

are uniquely solvable, the solutions  $\psi_{i,f}$  belong to the spaces  $\mathcal{W}^{k_i}$ , and if  $f_n \rightharpoonup f$  weakly in  $L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m)$ , then  $\psi_{i,f_n} \rightharpoonup \psi_{i,f}$  in  $\mathcal{W}^{k_i}$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Remark 14.** It is true that the equation in (4) is always solvable. Therefore, only the uniqueness condition must be included in Assumption (C4).

**Definition 15.** The map  $\Gamma_y : L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m) \mapsto \mathcal{W}^d$  is defined by  $\Gamma_y f = \eta_f$  where  $\eta_f$  is the unique solution to the equation in (4).



## Assumption (C5)

For every  $N > 0$ , set  $D_N = \{f \in L^2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m) : \int_0^T \|f(t)\|_m^2 dt \leq N\}$ . It is assumed that the restriction of the map  $\Gamma_y$  to  $D_N$  is a continuous map from  $D_N$  equipped with the weak topology into the space  $\mathcal{W}^d$ .

### Measurable Functionals:

Let  $v \in M_N^2[0, T]$  for some  $N > 0$ . Then, there exists a map  $g^{(2)} : \mathcal{W}^m \mapsto \mathcal{W}^{k_2}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $g^{(2)}(B) = V^{(2)}$ .
- (ii)  $g^{(2)}(B^{(v)}) = V^{2,v}$   $\mathbb{P}$ -a.s.
- (iii) For every  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $g^{(2)}$  is  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_t^m / \mathcal{B}_t^{k_2}$ -measurable.

See Lemma A.1 in [5], see also Theorem 10.4 on p. 126 in [19].

Suppose Assumption (C3) holds. Then there exists a map  $h : \mathcal{W}^m \mapsto \mathcal{W}^d$  such that the solution  $Y$  to the volatility equation satisfies  $Y = h(B)$  and the map  $h$  is  $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_t^m / \mathcal{B}_t^d$ -measurable for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

## Assumption (C6)

The process  $t \mapsto \int_0^t c(t, s, g^{(2)}(B^{(v)}), h(B^{(v)})) dB_s^{(v)}$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$  is continuous.

Assumption (C6) looks rather complicated. A special case, where Assumption (C6) is satisfied, is when the map  $c$  does not depend on the variable  $t$ . Indeed, in such a case, the correctness of Assumption (C6) follows from the restrictions on the map  $c$  in Assumption (C2)(a) and the continuity properties of stochastic integrals. More examples of the validity of Assumption (C6) will be provided later.

## Assumption (C7)

Suppose  $0 < \varepsilon_n < 1$ , with  $n \geq 1$ , is a sequence of numbers such that  $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $v^{(n)}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , be a sequence of controls satisfying the condition  $v^{(n)} \in \mathcal{M}_N^2[0, T]$  for some  $N > 0$  and all  $n \geq 1$  (see Definition 9).

Assumption (C7). (i) The family of  $\mathcal{W}^d$ -valued random variables  $Y^{\varepsilon_n, v^{(n)}}$ , with  $n \geq 1$ , is tight in  $\mathcal{W}^d$ .

(ii) For every  $t \in [0, T]$ , the following inequality is satisfied:

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \int_0^t \mathbb{E} \left[ \|c(t, s, V^{2, \varepsilon_n, v^{(n)}} , Y^{\varepsilon_n, v^{(n)}}) \|_{d \times m}^2 \right] ds < \infty.$$

## First Exit Time

**Definition 16.** (i) For every  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ , the first exit time of the scaled log-process from the set  $O$  is defined by  $\tau^{(\varepsilon)} = \inf\{s \in (0, T] : X_s^{(\varepsilon)} \notin O\}$  if the previous set is not empty, and by  $\tau^{(\varepsilon)} = \infty$  otherwise.

(ii) For every  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$ , the first exit time probability function is defined by  $v_\varepsilon(t) = \mathbb{P}(\tau^{(\varepsilon)} \leq t)$ ,  $t \in (0, T]$ .

In the book [10] of Freidlin and Wentzell, the following restriction on an open set  $O \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  was used: There exist interior points of the complement of  $O$  arbitrarily close to every point of the boundary of  $O$ . The previous condition can be formulated as follows:  $\partial O = \partial(\text{ext}(O))$  where  $\text{ext}(O)$  is the set of interior points of the complement of  $O$ , and, for a set  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ , the symbol  $\partial D$  stands for the boundary of  $D$ .

**Theorem 17.** Suppose the LDP in Theorem 4 holds. Suppose also that an open set  $O \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfies the Freidlin-Wentzell condition. Then

$$\varepsilon \log \mathbb{P}(\tau^{(\varepsilon)} \leq t) = - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{A}_t} \tilde{Q}_T(g) + o(1) \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_t = \{f \in \mathbf{C}_0^m : f(s) \notin O - x_0 \text{ for some } s \in (0, t]\}$ .

# Binary Barrier Options

Suppose that the model in (1) describes the dynamics of price processes associated with a portfolio of correlated assets.

We will discuss the small-noise asymptotic behavior of binary up-and-in barrier options.

Denote by  $\mathbb{R}_+^m$  the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  consisting of all the vectors  $s = (s_1, \dots, s_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $s_i > 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , and let  $O \subset \mathbb{R}_+^m$  be an open set. The boundary  $\partial O$  of the set  $O$  plays the role of the barrier. It is assumed that the model in (1) satisfies the restrictions imposed in Theorem 4.

**Definition 18.** Let  $O$  be an open set in  $\mathbb{R}_+^m$ , and suppose that for every  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$  the initial condition  $s_0$  for the process  $t \mapsto S_t^{(\varepsilon)}$  satisfies  $s_0 \in O$ . In a small-noise setting, a binary up-and-in barrier option pays a fixed amount of cash, say one dollar, if the  $m$ -dimensional asset price process  $S^{(\varepsilon)}$  hits the barrier  $\partial O$  at some time during the life of the option.

The price  $B(\varepsilon)$  of the up-and-in barrier option at  $t = 0$  is given by

$$B(\varepsilon) = e^{-rT} \mathbb{P}(S_t^{(\varepsilon)} \in \partial O \text{ for some } t \in [0, T])$$

where  $r > 0$  is the interest rate.

## Binary Barrier Options. Asymptotic Formula

Denote by  $\tilde{O}$  the open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$  defined by

$$\tilde{O} = \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m : (e^{x_1}, \dots, e^{x_m}) \in O\}.$$

**Theorem 19.** *Suppose the LDP in Theorem 4 holds, and let  $O$  satisfy the Freidlin-Wentzell condition. Then, the following asymptotic formula holds:*

$$\varepsilon \log B(\varepsilon) = - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{A}_T} \tilde{Q}_T(g) + o(1) \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_T = \{f \in \mathbf{C}_0^m : f(s) \notin \tilde{O} - x_0 \text{ for some } s \in [0, T]\}$ .

## Admissible Kernels

The remaining part of the talk is devoted to examples of stochastic volatility models for which Theorem 4 is valid. More precisely, we will explain for what volatility processes  $\widehat{B}$  Assumptions (C1)-(C7) hold true.

- Let  $K$  be a real function on  $[0, T]^2$ . We call the function  $K$  an admissible Hilbert-Schmidt kernel if the following conditions hold:
  - (a)  $K$  is Borel measurable on  $[0, T]^2$ .
  - (b)  $K$  is Lebesgue square-integrable over  $[0, T]^2$ .
  - (c) For every  $t \in (0, T]$ , the slice function  $s \mapsto K(t, s)$ , with  $s \in [0, T]$ , belongs to the space  $L^2[0, T]$ .
  - (d) For every  $t \in (0, T]$ , the slice function is not almost everywhere zero.
- If an admissible kernel  $K$  satisfies the condition  $K(t, s) = 0$  for all  $s > t$ , then  $K$  is called an admissible Volterra kernel.

## Volatility Processes in Gaussian Models

- Any admissible Volterra kernel  $K$  generates a Hilbert-Schmidt operator

$$\mathcal{K}(f)(t) = \int_0^t K(t,s)f(s)ds, \quad f \in L^2[0, T], \quad t \in [0, T],$$

and a Volterra Gaussian process

$$\widehat{B}_t = \int_0^t K(t,s)dB_s, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

- It is clear that the process  $\widehat{B}$  is adapted to the filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_t^B\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ . This process is used as the volatility process in a one-factor Gaussian stochastic volatility model (see [12]).
- Important examples of such volatility processes are Brownian motion, the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process, fractional Brownian motion, the Riemann-Liouville fractional Brownian motion, and super rough Volterra type Gaussian processes (see [12, 1]), e.g., logarithmic Brownian motion (see [17]).
- The scaled volatility process is defined as follows:  $\widehat{B}_t^{(\varepsilon)} = \sqrt{\varepsilon}\widehat{B}_t$  for  $t \in [0, T]$ .



## Fernique's Condition

- Let  $X_t, t \in [0, T]$ , be a square integrable stochastic process on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . The canonical pseudo-metric  $\delta$  associated with this process is defined by the formula

$$\delta^2(t, s) = \mathbb{E}[(X_t - X_s)^2], \quad (t, s) \in [0, T]^2.$$

- Suppose  $\eta$  is a modulus of continuity on  $[0, T]$  such that  $\delta(t, s) \leq \eta(|t - s|)$  for  $t, s \in [0, T]$ . Suppose also that for some  $b > 1$ , the following inequality holds:

$$\int_b^\infty \eta(u^{-1}) (\log u)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{du}{u} < \infty.$$

- The previous condition is called Fernique's condition. It guarantees that the volatility process  $\hat{B}$  is a continuous Gaussian process.

## Assumption F and Non-Gaussian Fractional Models

By the Itô isometry, the following equality holds for the process  $\hat{B}$ :

$$\delta^2(t, s) = \int_0^T (K(t, u) - K(s, u))^2 du, \quad t, s \in [0, T].$$

The  $L^2$ -modulus of continuity of the kernel  $K$  is defined on  $[0, T]$  by

$$M_K(\tau) = \sup_{t, s \in [0, T]: |t-s| \leq \tau} \int_0^T (K(t, u) - K(s, u))^2 du, \quad \tau \in [0, T].$$

*Assumption F.* The kernel  $K$  is an admissible Volterra kernel such that  $M_K(\tau) \leq \eta^2(\tau)$ ,  $\tau \in [0, T]$  for some modulus of continuity  $\eta$  satisfying Fernique's condition.

*One-factor non-Gaussian fractional stochastic volatility models:*

The volatility process in such a model is given by

$$\hat{B}_t = \int_0^t K(t, s) U(V_s) ds$$

where  $U : \mathbb{R} \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a continuous non-negative function and  $K$  is an admissible kernel. The process  $V$  is the solution to a diffusion equation satisfying special conditions (see Gerhold, Gerstenecker, A. G. [11]).

## Mixed Models

We will next introduce a new class of volatility models. A model belonging to this class may be called a mixture of a multivariate Gaussian stochastic volatility model and a multivariate non-Gaussian fractional model.

The volatility process  $Y_t = (Y_t^{(1)}, \dots, Y_t^{(d)})$  in a mixed model satisfies the following system of stochastic differential equations:

$$Y_t^{(i)} = x_i + \int_0^t K_i(t, s) U_i(V_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_0^t K_{ij}(t, s) dB_s^{(j)}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d.$$

Restrictions:

- (1)  $K_i$ , with  $0 \leq i \leq d$ , and  $\{K_{ij}\}$ , with  $1 \leq i \leq d$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , are families of admissible Volterra type Hilbert-Schmidt kernels such that Assumption F holds for them.
- (2)  $V$  is an auxiliary  $k$ -dimensional continuous process defined on the space  $\mathcal{W}^m$  equipped with the canonical set-up.
- (3) Conditions (H1) – (H6) in [5] are satisfied for the process  $V$ .
- (4)  $U$  is a continuous map from  $\mathbb{R}^k$  into  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

**Theorem 20.** *Assumptions (C1) – (C7) hold true for the mixed volatility model introduced above. Therefore, the LDPs in Theorems 10 and 11 hold for the mixed model.*

By assuming that  $U = 0$ , we obtain the scaled volatility process in a multivariate Gaussian stochastic volatility model.

Similarly, the scaled volatility process in a multivariate non-Gaussian fractional model can be obtained by setting  $K_{ij} = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq d$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

The Heston model and the fractional Heston model are special cases of non-Gaussian models described above. In fractional Heston models, the volatility is a fractional integral operator applied to the CIR process.

A different generalization of the Heston model (a rough Heston model) is due to El Euch and Rosenbaum (see [7]). In the rough Heston model, the fractional integral operator is applied to the CIR equation, and not to the CIR process.

I do not know whether the LDP in Theorem 4 holds the log-process in the rough Heston model.

## Volterra Type Equations

Multidimensional Volterra type stochastic differential equation:

$$Y_t = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, Y_s) ds + \int_0^t c(t, s, Y_s) dB_s. \quad (6)$$

The scaled version:

$$Y_t^\varepsilon = y + \int_0^t a(t, s, Y_s^\varepsilon) ds + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \int_0^t c(t, s, Y_s^\varepsilon) dB_s, \quad (7)$$

## Assumptions Used in the Papers of Wang [22] and Zhang [23]

(H1) For some  $p > 2$  there exists  $C_T > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $s, t \in [0, T]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\|a(t, s, x) - a(t, s, y)\|_d &\leq C_T K_1(t, s) \rho^{\frac{1}{p}}(\|x - y\|_d^p), \\ \|c(t, s, x) - c(t, s, y)\|_{d \times m}^2 &\leq C_T K_2(t, s) \rho^{\frac{2}{p}}(\|x - y\|_d^p),\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_0^t (\|a(t, s, 0)\|_d + \|c(t, s, 0)\|_{d \times m}^2) ds \leq C_T$$

where  $K_i$ , with  $i = 1, 2$ , are two positive functions on  $[0, T]^2$  for which

$$\int_0^t \left[ K_1(t, s)^{\frac{p}{p-1}} + K_2(t, s)^{\frac{p}{p-2}} \right] ds \leq C_T, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

In addition,  $\rho : \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}^+$  is a concave function satisfying  $\int_{0+} \rho(u)^{-1} du = \infty$ .

(H2) For all  $t, t', s \in [0, T]$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$\|a(t, s, x) - a(t', s, x)\|_d \leq F_1(t', t, s)(1 + \|x\|_d),$$

$$\|c(t, s, x) - c(t', s, x)\|_{d \times m}^2 \leq F_2(t', t, s)(1 + \|x\|_d^2),$$

and for some  $C > 0$  and  $\theta > 1$ ,

$$\int_0^t (\|a(t, s, 0)\|_d^\theta + \|c(t, s, 0)\|_{d \times m}^{2\theta}) ds < C.$$

The functions  $F_i, i = 1, 2$ , are positive functions on  $[0, T]^3$  satisfying the condition

$$\int_0^{t \wedge t'} (F_1(t', t, s) + F_2(t', t, s)) ds \leq C|t - t'|^\gamma$$

for some  $\gamma > 0$ .

Results obtained in Wang [22]:

- If Condition (H1) holds, then there exists a unique progressively measurable solution  $Y$  to the equation in (6).
- Moreover, if Conditions (H1) and (H2) hold, then the unique solution  $Y$  has a  $\delta$ -Hölder continuous version for any  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{p} \wedge \frac{\theta-1}{2\theta} \wedge \frac{\gamma}{2})$ .

A slightly weaker condition than Condition (H2):

- $(\widehat{H2})$  The restriction  $t, t', s \in [0, T]$  in Condition (H2) is replaced by the restriction  $0 \leq s \leq t, t' \leq T$ .

It is not hard to see, by analyzing the main results obtained in the paper [22] of Wang, that these results hold true with Condition (H2) replaced by Condition  $(\widehat{H2})$ .



Results obtained in Zhang [23]:

- Zhang established a sample path LDP for the unique solution  $\varepsilon \mapsto Y^{(\varepsilon)}(\cdot)$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$  to the equation in (7), under Conditions (H1) and (H2) and two extra conditions (H3) and (H4) (see Theorem 1.2 in [23]).
- Note that the initial condition  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  plays the role of a variable in the process defined above. The state space of this process is the space of continuous maps from  $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$  into  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .
- Using the LDP obtained by Zhang and the contraction principle, we prove a sample path LDP for the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto Y^{(\varepsilon)}$ , with the initial condition  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  that is fixed. The state space of this process is the space  $\mathcal{W}^d$ .

The LDP obtained by Zhang is a special case of the universal LDP:

**Theorem 21.** *Suppose Conditions (H1) and  $(\widehat{H}2)$  hold true for the maps  $a$  and  $c$  appearing in (6). Then, Assumptions (C1) - (C7) are satisfied. Therefore, under Conditions (H1) and  $(\widehat{H}2)$ , the LDPs in Theorems 10 and 11 hold for the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto Y^{(\varepsilon)}$ .*

*Remark:* Conditions (H3) and (H4) are not needed in the LDP for the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto Y^{(\varepsilon)}$ .

## Assumptions in Nualart - Rovira [18].

( $H_1$ ) The map  $a$  is measurable from  $\{0 \leq s \leq t \leq T\} \times \mathbb{R}^d$  to  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , while the map  $c$  is measurable from  $\{0 \leq s \leq t \leq T\} \times \mathbb{R}^d$  to  $\mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$ .

( $H_2$ ) The maps  $a$  and  $c$  are Lipschitz in  $x$  uniformly in the other variables, that is,

$$\|c(t, s, x) - c(t, s, y)\|_{d \times m} + \|a(t, s, x) - a(t, s, y)\|_d \leq K \|x - y\|_d$$

for some constant  $K > 0$ , all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , and all  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ .

( $H_3$ ) The maps  $a$  and  $c$  are  $\alpha$ -Hölder continuous in  $t$  on  $[s, T]$  uniformly in the other variables. This means that there exists a constant  $K > 0$  such that

$$\|c(t, s, x) - c(r, s, x)\|_{d \times m} + \|a(t, s, x) - a(r, s, x)\|_d \leq K |t - r|^\alpha$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $s \leq t, r \leq T$  where  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ .

( $H_4$ ) There exists a constant  $K > 0$  such that

$$\|c(t, s, x) - c(r, s, x) - c(t, s, y) + c(r, s, y)\|_{d \times m} \leq K |t - r|^\gamma \|x - y\|_d$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $T \geq t, r \geq s$  where  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ .

( $H_5$ )  $a(t, s, x_0)$  and  $c_j(t, s, x_0)$  are bounded.

In [18], a sample path LDP was established for the unique solution to the equation in (7) under Conditions  $(H_1) - (H_5)$  (see Theorem 1 in [18]).

Our result:

**Theorem 22.** *Conditions  $(H_1) - (H_3)$  and  $(H_5)$  in [18] imply Conditions (H1) and  $(\widehat{H}2)$  in [22, 23]. Therefore, the LDPs in Theorems 10 and 11 hold for the process  $\varepsilon \mapsto Y^{(\varepsilon)}$  in the canonical set-up (see Theorem 21).*

*Remark:* Theorem 1 in [18] is valid under Conditions  $(H_1) - (H_3)$  and  $(H_5)$  if the canonical set-up is employed. Condition  $(H_4)$  is not needed. We do not know if the same is true on any set-up.

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