

HYPERFINITE CONSTRUCTION OF  $G$ -EXPECTATION

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**ABSTRACT.** The *hyperfinite  $G$ -expectation* is a nonstandard discrete analogue of  $G$ -expectation (in the sense of Robinsonian nonstandard analysis). A *lifting* of a continuous-time  $G$ -expectation operator is defined as a hyperfinite  $G$ -expectation which is infinitely close, in the sense of nonstandard topology, to the continuous-time  $G$ -expectation. We develop the basic theory for hyperfinite  $G$ -expectations and prove an existence theorem for liftings of (continuous-time)  $G$ -expectation. For the proof of the lifting theorem, we use a new discretization theorem for the  $G$ -expectation (also established in this paper, based on the work of Dolinsky, Nutz and Soner [Stoch. Proc. Appl. 122, (2012), 664–675]).

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Dolinsky et al. [8] showed a Donsker-type result for  $G$ -Brownian motion by introducing a notion of volatility uncertainty in discrete time and defined a discrete version of Peng's  $G$ -expectation. In the continuous-time limit, the resulting sublinear expectation converges weakly to  $G$ -expectation. In their discretization, Dolinsky et al. [8] allow for martingale laws whose support is the whole set of reals in a  $d$ -dimensional setting. In other words, they only discretize the time line, but not the state space of the canonical process. Now for certain applications, for example, a hyperfinite construction of  $G$ -expectation in the sense of Robinsonian nonstandard analysis, a discretization of the state space would be necessary. Thus, we develop a modification of the construction by Dolinsky et al. [8] which even ensures that the sublinear expectation operator for the discrete-time canonical process corresponding to this discretization of the state space (whence the martingale laws are supported by a finite lattice only) converges to the  $G$ -expectation. Further, we prove a lifting theorem, in the sense of Robinsonian nonstandard analysis, for the  $G$ -expectation. Herein, we use the discretization result for the  $G$ -expectation.

Nonstandard analysis makes consistent use of infinitesimals in mathematical analysis based on techniques from mathematical logic. This approach is very promising because it also allows, for instance, to study continuous-time stochastic processes as formally finite objects. Many authors have applied nonstandard analysis to problems in measure theory, probability theory and mathematical economics (see for example, Anderson and Raimondo [3] and the references therein or the contribution in Berg [4]), especially after Loeb [20] converted nonstandard

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measures (i.e. the images of standard measures under the nonstandard embedding  $*$ ) into real-valued, countably additive measures, by means of the standard part operator and *Caratheodory's* extension theorem. One of the main ideas behind these applications is the extension of the notion of a finite set known as *hyperfinite set* or more causally, a formally finite set. Very roughly speaking, hyperfinite sets are sets that can be formally enumerated with both standard and nonstandard natural numbers up to a (standard or nonstandard, i.e. unlimited) natural number.

Anderson [2], Keisler [16], Lindstrøm [19], Hoover and Perkins [14], a few to mention, used Loeb's [20] approach to develop basic nonstandard stochastic analysis and in particular, the nonstandard Itô calculus. Loeb [20] also presents the construction of a Poisson processes using nonstandard analysis. Anderson [2] showed that Brownian motion can be constructed from a hyperfinite number of coin tosses, and provides a detailed proof using a special case of Donsker's theorem. Anderson [2] also gave a nonstandard construction of stochastic integration with respect to his construction of Brownian motion. Keisler [16] uses Anderson's [2] result to obtain some results on stochastic differential equations. Lindstrøm [19] gave the hyperfinite construction (*lifting*) of  $L^2$  standard martingales. Using nonstandard stochastic analysis, Perkins [24] proved a global characterization of (standard) Brownian local time. In this paper, we do not work on the Loeb space because the  $G$ -expectation and its corresponding  $G$ -Brownian motion are not based on a classical probability measure, but on a set of martingale laws.

The aim of this paper is to give two approximation results on  $G$ -expectation. First, to refine the discretization of  $G$ -expectation by Dolinsky et al. [8], in order to obtain a discretization of the sublinear expectation where the martingale laws are defined on a finite lattice rather than the whole set of reals. Second, to give an alternative, combinatorially inspired construction of the  $G$ -expectation based on the discretization result. We hope that this result may eventually become useful for applications in financial economics (especially existence of equilibrium on continuous-time financial markets with volatility uncertainty) and provides additional intuition for Peng's  $G$ -stochastic calculus. We begin the nonstandard treatment of the  $G$ -expectation by defining a notion of  $S$ -continuity, a standard part operator, and proving a corresponding lifting (and pushing down) theorem. Thereby, we show that our hyperfinite construction is the appropriate nonstandard analogue of the  $G$ -expectation.

The rest of this paper is divided into two parts: in the first part, Section 2, we define Peng's  $G$ -expectation and introduce a discrete-time analogue of a  $G$ -expectation in the spirit of Dolinsky et al. [8]. Unlike in Dolinsky et al. [8], we require the discretization of the martingale laws to be defined on a finite lattice rather than the whole set of reals. In the continuous-time limit, the resulting sublinear expectation converges weakly to the continuous-time  $G$ -expectation. In the second part, Section 3, we develop the basic theory for hyperfinite  $G$ -expectations and prove an existence theorem for liftings of (continuous-time)  $G$ -expectation. We extend the discrete time analogue of the  $G$ -expectation in Section 2 to a hyperfinite time analogue. Then, we use the characterization of convergence in nonstandard analysis to prove that the hyperfinite discrete-time analogue of the  $G$ -expectation is infinitely close in the sense of nonstandard topology to the continuous-time  $G$ -expectation.

2. WEAK APPROXIMATION OF  $G$ -EXPECTATION WITH DISCRETE STATE SPACE

Peng [23] introduced a sublinear expectation on a well-defined space  $\mathbb{L}_G^1$ , the completion of  $\text{Lip}_{b,cyl}(\Omega)$  (bounded and Lipschitz cylinder function) under the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{L}_G^1}$ , under which the increments of the canonical process  $(B_t)_{t>0}$  are zero-mean, independent and stationary and can be proved to be  $(G)$ -normally distributed. This type of process is called  $G$ -Brownian motion and the corresponding sublinear expectation is called  $G$ -expectation.

The  $G$ -expectation  $\xi \mapsto \mathcal{E}^G(\xi)$  is a sublinear operator defined on a class of random variables on  $\Omega$ . The symbol  $G$  refers to a given function

$$(1) \quad G(\gamma) := \frac{1}{2} \sup_{c \in \mathbf{D}} c\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

where  $\mathbf{D} = [r_{\mathbf{D}}, R_{\mathbf{D}}]$  is a nonempty, compact and convex set, and  $0 \leq r_{\mathbf{D}} \leq R_{\mathbf{D}} < \infty$  are fixed numbers. The construction of the  $G$ -expectation is as follows. Let  $\xi = f(B_T)$ , where  $B_T$  is the  $G$ -Brownian motion and  $f$  a sufficiently regular function. Then  $\mathcal{E}^G(\xi)$  is defined to be the initial value  $u(0, 0)$  of the solution of the nonlinear backward heat equation,

$$-\partial_t u - G(\partial_{xx}^2 u) = 0,$$

with terminal condition  $u(\cdot, T) = f$ , Pardoux and Peng [22]. The mapping  $\mathcal{E}^G$  can be extended to random variables of the form  $\xi = f(B_{t_1}, \dots, B_{t_n})$  by a step-wise evaluation of the PDE and then to the completion  $\mathbb{L}_G^1$  of the space of all such random variables (cf. Dolinsky et al. [8]). Denis et al. [7] showed that  $\mathbb{L}_G^1$  is the completion of  $\mathcal{C}_b(\Omega)$  and  $\text{Lip}_{b,cyl}(\Omega)$  under the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{L}_G^1}$ , and that  $\mathbb{L}_G^1$  is the space of the so-called quasi-continuous function and contains all bounded continuous functions on the canonical space  $\Omega$ , but not all bounded measurable functions are included. Ruan [27] introduced the invariance principle of  $G$ -Brownian motion using the theory of sublinear expectation. There also exists an equivalent alternative representation of the  $G$ -expectation known as the *dual view on  $G$ -expectation via volatility uncertainty*, see Denis et al. [7]:

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{E}^G(\xi) = \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}^G} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi], \quad \xi = f(B_T),$$

where  $\mathcal{P}^G$  is defined as the set of probability measures on  $\Omega$  such that, for any  $P \in \mathcal{P}^G$ ,  $B$  is a martingale with the volatility  $d\langle B \rangle_t / dt \in \mathbf{D} \, P \otimes dt$  a.e.

**2.1. Continuous-time construction of sublinear expectation.** Let  $\Omega = \{\omega \in \mathcal{C}([0, T]; \mathbb{R}) : \omega_0 = 0\}$  be the canonical space endowed with the uniform norm  $\|\omega\|_{\infty} = \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} |\omega_t|$ , where  $|\cdot|$  denotes the absolute value on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $B$  be the canonical process  $B_t(\omega) = \omega_t$ , and  $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(B_s, 0 \leq s \leq t)$  the filtration generated by  $B$ . A probability measure  $P$  on  $\Omega$  is a martingale law provided  $B$  is a  $P$ -martingale and  $B_0 = 0$   $P$  a.s. Then,  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}$  is the set of martingale laws on  $\Omega$  and the volatility takes values in  $\mathbf{D}$ ,  $P \otimes dt$  a.e.;

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}} = \{P \text{ martingale law on } \Omega : d\langle B \rangle_t / dt \in \mathbf{D}, P \otimes dt \text{ a.e.}\}.$$

**2.2. Discrete-time construction of sublinear expectation.** We denote

$$\mathcal{L}_n = \left\{ \frac{j}{n\sqrt{n}}, \quad -n^2\sqrt{R_{\mathbf{D}}} \leq j \leq n^2\sqrt{R_{\mathbf{D}}}, \quad \text{for } j \in \mathbb{Z} \right\},$$

and  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} = \mathcal{L}_n \times \cdots \times \mathcal{L}_n$  ( $n+1$  times), for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $X^n = (X_k^n)_{k=0}^n$  be the canonical process  $X_k^n(x) = x_k$  defined on  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$  and  $(\mathcal{F}_k^n)_{k=0}^n = \sigma(X_l^n, l = 0, \dots, k)$  be the filtration generated by  $X^n$ . We note that  $R_{\mathbf{D}} = \sup_{\alpha \in \mathbf{D}} |\alpha|$ .

$$\mathbf{D}'_n = \mathbf{D} \cap \left( \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{N} \right)^2$$

is a nonempty bounded set of volatilities. A probability measure  $P$  on  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$  is a martingale law provided  $X^n$  is a  $P$ -martingale and  $X_0^n = 0$   $P$  a.s. The increment  $\Delta X_k^n = X_k^n - X_{k-1}^n$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}^n$  be the set of martingale laws of  $X^n$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}^n = \left\{ P \text{ martingale law on } \mathbb{R}^{n+1}: r_{\mathbf{D}} \leq |\Delta X_k^n|^2 \leq R_{\mathbf{D}}, P \text{ a.s.} \right\},$$

such that for all  $n$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .

. In order to establish a relation between the continuous-time and discrete-time settings, we obtained a continuous-time process  $\hat{x}_t \in \Omega$  from any discrete path  $x \in \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$  by linear interpolation. i.e.,

$$\hat{x}_t := (\lfloor nt/T \rfloor + 1 - nt/T)x_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor} + (nt/T - \lfloor nt/T \rfloor)x_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor + 1}$$

where  $\hat{\cdot}: \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \rightarrow \Omega$  is the linear interpolation operator,  $x = (x_0, \dots, x_n) \mapsto \hat{x} = \{(\hat{x}_{0 \leq t \leq T})\}$ , and  $\lfloor y \rfloor$  denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to  $y$ . If  $X^n$  is the canonical process on  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$  and  $\xi$  is a random variable on  $\Omega$ , then  $\xi(\hat{X}^n)$  defines a random variable on  $\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$ .

**2.3. Strong formulation of volatility uncertainty.** We consider martingale laws generated by stochastic integrals with respect to a fixed Brownian motion as in Dolinsky et al. [8], Nutz [21] and a fixed random walk as in Dolinsky et al. [8]. Continuous-time construction; let  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}$  be the set of martingale laws:

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}} = \left\{ P_0 \circ (M)^{-1}; M = \int f(t, B) dB_t, \text{ and } f \in \mathcal{C}([0, T] \times \Omega; \sqrt{\mathbf{D}}) \text{ is adapted} \right\}.$$

$B$  is the canonical process under the Wiener measure  $P_0$ .

Discrete-time construction; we fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\Omega_n = \{\omega = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n) : \omega_i \in \{\pm 1\}, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  equipped with the power set and let

$$P_n = \underbrace{\frac{\delta_{-1} + \delta_{+1}}{2} \otimes \cdots \otimes \frac{\delta_{-1} + \delta_{+1}}{2}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

be the product probability associated with the uniform distribution where  $\delta_x(A)$  is a Dirac measure for any  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and a given  $x \in A$ . Let  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$  be an i.i.d sequence of  $\{\pm 1\}$ -valued random variables. The components of  $\xi_k$  are orthonormal in  $L^2(P_n)$  and the associated scaled random walk is

$$\mathbb{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{l=1}^k \xi_l.$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n}^n$  the set of martingale laws of the form:

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n}^n = \left\{ P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}; f : \{0, \dots, n\} \times \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_n} \text{ is } \mathcal{F}^n\text{-adapted.} \right\}$$

where  $M^{f, \mathbb{X}} = \left( \sum_{l=1}^k f(l-1, \mathbb{X}) \Delta \mathbb{X}_l \right)_{k=0}^n$ .

**2.4. Results and proofs.** Theorem 1 states that a sublinear expectation with discrete-time volatility uncertainty on our finite lattice converges to the  $G$ -expectation.

**Lemma 2.1.**  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}^n = \left\{ P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}; f : \{0, \dots, n\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}} \text{ is adapted} \right\}$ .  
Then  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}^n \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}^n$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function satisfying  $|\xi(\omega)| \leq a(1 + \|\omega\|_{\infty})^b$  for some constants  $a, b > 0$ . Then,

(i)

$$(4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] = \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi].$$

(ii)

$$(5) \quad \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] = \max_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

To prove (4), we prove two separate inequalities together with a density argument. The left-hand side of (5) can be written as

$$\sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}^{P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)],$$

where  $\mathcal{A} = \left\{ f : \{0, \dots, n\} \times \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_n/n} \text{ is } \mathcal{F}^n\text{-adapted.} \right\}$ . We prove that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a compact subset of a finite-dimensional vector space, and that  $f \mapsto \mathbb{E}^{P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)]$  is continuous. Before then, we introduce a smaller space  $\mathbb{L}_*^1$  that is defined as the completion of  $\mathcal{C}_b(\Omega; \mathbb{R})$  under the norm (cf. Dolinsky et al. [8])

$$\|\xi\|_* := \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}|\xi|, \quad \mathcal{Q} := \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}} \cup \{P \circ (\widehat{X}^n)^{-1}; P \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}.$$

This is because Proposition 2.2 will not hold if  $\xi$  just belong to  $\mathbb{L}_G^1$ , which is the completion of  $\mathcal{C}_b(\Omega; \mathbb{R})$  under the norm

$$(6) \quad \|\xi\|_{\mathbb{L}_G^1} := \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[|\xi|].$$

*Proof of Proposition 2.2. First inequality (for  $\leq$  in (4)):*

$$(7) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \leq \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi].$$

For all  $n$ ,  $\sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_n/n} \subseteq \sqrt{\mathbf{D}/n}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n}^n \subseteq \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}^n$ . It is shown in Dolinsky et al. [8] that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \leq \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi].$$

Since  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}$  (see Dolinsky et al. [8, Remark 3.6]) and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}^n \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}^n$  (see Lemma 2.1), (7) follows.

*Second inequality (for  $\geq$  in (4)):* It remains to show that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \geq \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi].$$

For arbitrary  $P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}$ , we construct a sequence  $(P^n)_n$  such that for all  $n$ ,

$$(8) \quad P^n \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}^n,$$

and

$$(9) \quad \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}^{P^n}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

For fixed  $n$ , we want to construct martingales  $M^n$  whose laws are in  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}$  and the laws of their interpolations tend to  $P$ . Thus, we introduce a scaled random walk with the piecewise constant càdlàg property,

$$(10) \quad W_t^n := \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{l=1}^{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor} \xi_l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor}^n, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T,$$

and we denote the continuous version of (10) obtained by linear interpolation by

$$(11) \quad \widehat{W}_t^n := \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \widehat{Z}_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor}^n, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T.$$

By the central limit theorem;  $(W^n, \widehat{W}^n) \Rightarrow (W, W)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  on  $D([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^2)$  ( $\Rightarrow$  implies convergence in distribution). i.e., the law  $(P_n)$  converges to the law  $P_0$  on the Skorohod space  $D([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^2)$  Billingsley [5, Theorem 27.1]. Let  $g \in \mathcal{C}([0, T] \times \Omega, \sqrt{\mathbf{D}})$  such that

$$P = P_0 \circ \left( \underbrace{\int g(t, W) dW_t}_M \right)^{-1}.$$

Since  $g$  is continuous and  $\widehat{W}_t^n$  is the interpolated version of (10),

$$\left( W^n, \left( g \left( \lfloor nt/T \rfloor T/n, \widehat{W}_t^n \right) \right)_{t \in [0, T]} \right) \Rightarrow (W, (g(t, W_t))_{t \in [0, T]}) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ on } D([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^2).$$

We introduce martingales with discrete-time integrals,

$$(12) \quad M_k^n := \sum_{l=1}^k g \left( (l-1)T/n, \widehat{W}^n \right) \widehat{W}_{lT/n}^n - \widehat{W}_{(l-1)T/n}^n.$$

In order to construct  $M^n$  which is “close” to  $M$  and also is such that  $P_n \circ (M^n)^{-1} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}$ .

We choose  $\tilde{h}_n : \{0, \dots, n\} \times \Omega \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}$  such that

$$d_{J_1} \left( \left( \tilde{h}_n(\lfloor nt/T \rfloor T/n, \widehat{W}_t^n) \right)_{t \in [0, T]}, \left( g(\lfloor nt/T \rfloor T/n, \widehat{W}_t^n) \right)_{t \in [0, T]} \right)$$

is minimal (this is possible because there are only finitely many choices for  $\left( \tilde{h}_n(\lfloor nt/T \rfloor T/n, \widehat{W}_t^n) \right)_{t \in [0, T]}$ )

and  $d_{J_1}$  is the Kolmogorov metric for the Skorohod  $J_1$  topology. From Billingsley [6, Theorem 4.3 and Definition 4.1], it follows that

$$\left( W^n, \left( \tilde{h}_n \left( \lfloor nt/T \rfloor T/n, \widehat{W}_t^n \right) \right)_{t \in [0, T]} \right) \Rightarrow (W, g(t, W_t)_{t \in [0, T]}) \text{ on } D([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^2).$$

We then define  $g_n : \{0, \dots, n\} \times \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}$  by  $g_n : (\ell, \vec{X}) \mapsto \tilde{h}_n(\ell, \vec{X})$ . Let  $M^n$  be defined by

$$M_k^n = \sum_{l=1}^k g_n \left( l-1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} Z^n \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \Delta Z_l^n, \quad \forall k \in \{0, \dots, n\}.$$

By stability of stochastic integral (see Duffie and Protter [9, Theorem 4.3 and Definition 4.1]),

$$\left(M_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor}^n\right)_{t \in [0, T]} \Rightarrow M \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ on } D([0, T]; \mathbb{R})$$

because

$$M_{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor}^n = \sum_{l=1}^{\lfloor nt/T \rfloor} \tilde{h}_n \left( (l-1)T/n, \left( \widehat{W}_{kT/n} \right)_{k=0}^n \right) \Delta \widehat{W}_{lT/n}.$$

In addition, as  $n$  goes to  $\infty$ , the increments of  $M^n$  uniformly tend to 0. Thus,  $\widehat{M}^n \Rightarrow M$  on  $\Omega$ . Since  $\xi$  is bounded and continuous,

$$(13) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}^{P_n \circ (M^n)^{-1}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] = \mathbb{E}^{P_0 \circ M^{-1}}[\xi].$$

Therefore, (8) is satisfied for  $P^n = P_n \circ (M^n)^{-1} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}$ . Taking the lim inf as  $n$  tends to  $\infty$  and the supremum over  $P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}$ , (13) becomes

$$(14) \quad \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

Combining (7) and (14),

$$\sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \geq \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi].$$

Therefore,

$$(15) \quad \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

*Density argument:* (4) is established for all  $\xi \in \mathcal{C}_b(\Omega, \mathbb{R})$ . Since  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}$  (see Dolinsky et al. [8, Remark 3.6]) and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}^n \subseteq \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{D}}^n$  (see Lemma 2.1),  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n} \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$ . Thus, (4) holds for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{L}_*^1$ , and hence, holds for all  $\xi$  that satisfy condition of Proposition 2.2.

*First part of 5:*  $\mathcal{A}$  is closed and obviously bounded with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$  as  $\mathbf{D}'_n$  is bounded. By Heine-Borel theorem,  $\mathcal{A}$  is a compact subset of a  $N(n, n)$ -dimensional vector space<sup>1</sup> equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ .

*Second part of 5:* Here, we show that  $F : f \mapsto \mathbb{E}^{P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)]$  is continuous. From Proposition 2.2 we know that  $\xi$  is continuous,  $\widehat{X}^n$  is the interpolated canonical process, i.e.,  $\widehat{X} : \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} \rightarrow \Omega$ , thus  $\widehat{X}^n$  is continuous and  $P_n$  takes it values from the set of real numbers. For  $F : f \mapsto \mathbb{E}^{P_n \circ (M^{f, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)]$  to be continuous,  $\psi : f \mapsto M^{f, \mathbb{X}}$  has to be continuous. Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is a compact subset of a  $N(n, n)$ -dimensional vector space for fixed  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $M^{f, \mathbb{X}} : \Omega_n \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1}$ , for all  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}$ ,

$$\|M^{f, \mathbb{X}} - M^{g, \mathbb{X}}\| = \|\|f\|_{\infty} - \|g\|_{\infty}\| \leq \|f - g\|_{\infty}.$$

Thus,  $\psi$  is continuous with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ . Hence  $F$  is continuous with respect to any norm on  $\mathbb{R}^{N(n, n)}$ . □

<sup>1</sup>The cardinality of  $\mathcal{L}_n$ ,  $\#\mathcal{L}_n = 2n + 1$ ,  $\#\mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} = (2n + 1)^{n+1}$ , and  $\#\{0, \dots, n\} \times \mathcal{L}_n^{n+1} = (n + 1)(2n + 1)^{n+1} = N(n, n)$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function satisfying  $|\xi(\omega)| \leq a(1 + \|\omega\|_\infty)^b$  for some constants  $a, b > 0$ . Then,

$$(16) \quad \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

*Proof.* The proof follows directly from Proposition 2.2.  $\square$

### 3. NONSTANDARD CONSTRUCTION OF $G$ -EXPECTATION

**3.1. Hyperfinite-time setting.** Here we present the nonstandard version of the discrete-time setting of the sublinear expectation and the strong formulation of volatility uncertainty on the hyperfinite timeline.

**Definition 3.1.**  ${}^*\Omega$  is the  ${}^*$ -image of  $\Omega$  endowed with the  ${}^*$ -extension of the maximum norm  ${}^*\|\cdot\|_\infty$ .

${}^*\mathbf{D} = {}^*[r_{\mathbf{D}}, R_{\mathbf{D}}]$  is the  ${}^*$ -image of  $\mathbf{D}$ , and as such it is *internal*.

It is important to note that  $st : {}^*\Omega \rightarrow \Omega$  is the standard part map, and  $st(\omega)$  will be referred to as the *standard part* of  $\omega$ , for every  $\omega \in {}^*\Omega$ .  ${}^\circ z$  denotes the standard part of a hyperreal  $z$ .

**Definition 3.2.** For every  $\omega \in \Omega$ , if there exists  $\tilde{\omega} \in {}^*\Omega$  such that  $\|\tilde{\omega} - {}^*\omega\|_\infty \simeq 0$ , then  $\tilde{\omega}$  is a *nearstandard point* in  ${}^*\Omega$ . This will be denoted as  $ns(\tilde{\omega}) \in {}^*\Omega$ .

For all hypernatural  $N$ , let

$$(17) \quad \mathcal{L}_N = \left\{ \frac{K}{N\sqrt{N}}, \quad -N^2\sqrt{R_{\mathbf{D}}} \leq K \leq N^2\sqrt{R_{\mathbf{D}}}, \quad K \in {}^*\mathbb{Z} \right\},$$

and the hyperfinite timeline

$$(18) \quad \mathbb{T} = \left\{ 0, \frac{T}{N}, \dots, -\frac{T}{N} + T, T \right\}.$$

We consider  $\mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}}$  as the canonical space of paths on the hyperfinite timeline, and  $X^N = (X_k^N)_{k=0}^N$  as the canonical process denoted by  $X_k^N(\tilde{\omega}) = \tilde{\omega}_k$  for  $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}}$ .  $\mathcal{F}^N$  is the internal filtration generated by  $X^N$ . The linear interpolation operator can be written as

$$\sim : \hat{\cdot} \circ \iota^{-1} \rightarrow {}^*\Omega, \quad \text{for } \widetilde{\mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}}} \subseteq {}^*\Omega,$$

where

$$\widehat{\omega}(t) := (\lfloor Nt/T \rfloor + 1 - Nt/T)\omega_{\lfloor Nt/T \rfloor} + (Nt/T - \lfloor Nt/T \rfloor)\omega_{\lfloor Nt/T \rfloor + 1},$$

for  $\omega \in \mathcal{L}_N^{N+1}$  and for all  $t \in {}^*[0, T]$ .  $\lfloor y \rfloor$  denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to  $y$  and  $\iota : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \{0, \dots, N\}$  for  $\iota : t \mapsto Nt/T$ .

For the hyperfinite strong formulation of the volatility uncertainty, fix  $N \in {}^*\mathbb{N} \setminus \mathbb{N}$ . Consider  $\left\{ \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \right\}^{\mathbb{T}}$ , and let  $P_N$  be the uniform counting measure on  $\left\{ \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \right\}^{\mathbb{T}}$ .  $P_N$  can also be seen as a measure on  $\mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}}$ , concentrated on  $\left\{ \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \right\}^{\mathbb{T}}$ . Let  $\Omega_N = \{\underline{\omega} = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N); \omega_i = \{\pm 1\}, i = 1, \dots, N\}$ , and let  $\Xi_1, \dots, \Xi_N$  be a  ${}^*$ -independent sequence of  $\{\pm 1\}$ -valued random variables on  $\Omega_N$  and the components

of  $\Xi_k$  are orthonormal in  $L^2(P_N)$ . We denote the hyperfinite random walk by

$$\mathbb{X}_t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{l=1}^{Nt/T} \Xi_l \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{T}.$$

The hyperfinite-time stochastic integral of some  $F : \mathbb{T} \times \mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}} \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}$  with respect to the hyperfinite random walk is given by

$$\sum_{s=0}^t F(s, \mathbb{X}) \Delta \mathbb{X}_s : \Omega_N \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}, \quad \underline{\omega} \in \Omega_N \mapsto \sum_{s=0}^t F(s, \mathbb{X}(\underline{\omega})) \Delta \mathbb{X}_s(\underline{\omega}).$$

Thus, the hyperfinite set of martingale laws can be defined by

$$\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N = \left\{ P_N \circ (M^{F, \mathbb{X}})^{-1}; F : \mathbb{T} \times \mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}} \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathbf{D}'_N} \right\}$$

where

$$\mathbf{D}'_N = {}^*\mathbf{D} \cap \left( \frac{1}{N} {}^*\mathbb{N} \right)^2$$

and

$$M^{F, \mathbb{X}} = \left( \sum_{s=0}^t F(s, \mathbb{X}) \Delta \mathbb{X}_s \right)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}.$$

**Remark 3.1.** *Up to scaling,  $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N = \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n}^n$ .*

### 3.2. Results and proofs.

**Definition 3.3** ((Uniform lifting of  $\xi$ )). Let  $\Xi : \mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}} \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}$  be an internal function, and let  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function.  $\Xi$  is said to be a *uniform lifting* of  $\xi$  if and only if

$$\forall \bar{\omega} \in \mathcal{L}_N^{\mathbb{T}} \left( \bar{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega) \Rightarrow {}^\circ \Xi(\bar{\omega}) = \xi(st(\bar{\omega})) \right),$$

where  $st(\bar{\omega})$  is defined with respect to the topology of uniform convergence on  $\Omega$ .

In order to construct the hyperfinite version of the  $G$ -expectation, we need to show that the  $*$ -image of  $\xi$ ,  ${}^*\xi$ , with respect to  $\bar{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega)$ , is the canonical lifting of  $\xi$  with respect to  $st(\bar{\omega}) \in \Omega$ . i.e., for every  $\bar{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega)$ ,  ${}^\circ ({}^*\xi(\bar{\omega})) = \xi(st(\bar{\omega}))$ . To do this, we need to show that  ${}^*\xi$  is  $S$ -continuous in every nearstandard point  $\bar{\omega}$ .

It is easy to prove that there are two equivalent characteristics of  $S$ -continuity on  ${}^*\Omega$ .

**Remark 3.2.** *The following are equivalent for an internal function  $\Phi : {}^*\Omega \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}$ ;*

- (1)  $\forall \omega' \in {}^*\Omega \left( {}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty \simeq 0 \Rightarrow {}^*|\Phi(\omega) - \Phi(\omega')| \simeq 0 \right)$ .
- (2)  $\forall \varepsilon \gg 0, \exists \delta \gg 0 : \forall \omega' \in {}^*\Omega \left( {}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty < \delta \Rightarrow {}^*|\Phi(\omega) - \Phi(\omega')| < \varepsilon \right)$ .

(The case of Remark 3.2 where  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$  is well known and proved in Stroyan and Luxemburg [28, Theorem 5.1.1])

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $\Phi : {}^*\Omega \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}$  be an internal function. We say  $\Phi$  is  *$S$ -continuous* in  $\omega \in {}^*\Omega$ , if and only if it satisfies one of the two equivalent conditions of Remark 3.2.

**Proposition 3.3.** *If  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function satisfying  $|\xi(\omega)| \leq a(1 + \|\omega\|_\infty)^b$ , for  $a, b > 0$ , then,  $\Xi = {}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}$  is a uniform lifting of  $\xi$ .*

*Proof.* Fix  $\omega \in \Omega$ . By definition,  $\xi$  is continuous on  $\Omega$ . i.e., for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , and for every  $\varepsilon \gg 0$ , there is a  $\delta \gg 0$ , such that for every  $\omega' \in \Omega$ , if

$$(19) \quad \|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty < \delta, \text{ then } |\xi(\omega) - \xi(\omega')| < \varepsilon.$$

By the Transfer Principle: For all  $\omega \in \Omega$ , and for every  $\varepsilon \gg 0$ , there is a  $\delta \gg 0$ , such that for every  $\omega' \in {}^*\Omega$ , (19) becomes,

$$(20) \quad {}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty < \delta, \text{ and } {}^*|\xi(\omega) - \xi(\omega')| < \varepsilon.$$

So,  ${}^*\xi$  is  $S$ -continuous in  ${}^*\omega$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Applying the equivalent characterization of  $S$ -continuity, Remark 3.2, (20) can be written as

$${}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty \simeq 0, \text{ and } {}^*|\xi(\omega) - \xi(\omega')| \simeq 0.$$

We assume  $\tilde{\omega}$  to be a nearstandard point. By Definition 3.2, this simply implies,

$$(21) \quad \forall \tilde{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega), \exists \omega \in \Omega : {}^*\|\tilde{\omega} - \omega\|_\infty \simeq 0.$$

Thus, by  $S$ -continuity of  ${}^*\xi$  in  ${}^*\omega$ ,

$${}^*|\xi(\tilde{\omega}) - \xi(\omega)| \simeq 0.$$

Using the triangle inequality, if  $\omega' \in {}^*\Omega$  with  ${}^*\|\tilde{\omega} - \omega'\|_\infty \simeq 0$ ,

$${}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_\infty \leq {}^*\|\omega - \tilde{\omega}\|_\infty + {}^*\|\tilde{\omega} - \omega'\|_\infty \simeq 0$$

and therefore again by the  $S$ -continuity of  ${}^*\xi$  in  ${}^*\omega$ ,

$${}^*|\xi(\omega) - \xi(\omega')| \simeq 0.$$

And so,

$${}^*|\xi(\tilde{\omega}) - \xi(\omega')| \leq {}^*|\xi(\tilde{\omega}) - \xi(\omega)| + {}^*|\xi(\omega) - \xi(\omega')| \simeq 0.$$

Thus, for all  $\tilde{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega)$  and  $\omega' \in {}^*\Omega$ , if  ${}^*\|\tilde{\omega} - \omega'\|_\infty \simeq 0$ , then,

$${}^*|\xi(\tilde{\omega}) - \xi(\omega')| \simeq 0.$$

Hence,  ${}^*\xi$  is  $S$ -continuous in  $\tilde{\omega}$ . Equation (21) also implies

$$\tilde{\omega} \in m(\omega) \left( m(\omega) = \bigcap \{ {}^*\mathcal{O}; \mathcal{O} \text{ is an open neighbourhood of } \omega \} \right)$$

such that  $\omega$  is unique, and in this case  $st(\tilde{\omega}) = \omega$ .

Therefore,

$$\circ({}^*\xi(\tilde{\omega})) = \xi(st(\tilde{\omega})).$$

□

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $\bar{\mathcal{E}} : {}^*\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{L}_N^T} \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}$ . We say that  $\bar{\mathcal{E}}$  lifts  $\mathcal{E}^G$  if and only if for every  $\xi : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies  $|\xi(\omega)| \leq a(1 + \|\omega\|_\infty)^b$  for some  $a, b > 0$ ,

$$\bar{\mathcal{E}}({}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}) \simeq \mathcal{E}^G(\xi).$$

**Theorem 2.**

$$(22) \quad \max_{\bar{Q} \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{D}'_N}} \mathbb{E}^{\bar{Q}}[\cdot] \text{ lifts } \mathcal{E}^G(\xi).$$

*Proof.* From Theorem 1,

$$(23) \quad \max_{Q \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_n}^n} \mathbb{E}^Q[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)] \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^G(\xi), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For all  $N \in {}^*\mathbb{N} \setminus \mathbb{N}$ , we know that (23) holds if and only if

$$(24) \quad \max_{Q \in {}^*\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N} \mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi(\widehat{X}^N)] \simeq \mathcal{E}^G(\xi),$$

(see Albeverio et al. [1], Proposition 1.3.1). Now, we want to express (24) in term of  $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N$ . i.e., to show that

$$\max_{\bar{Q} \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N} \mathbb{E}^{\bar{Q}}[{}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}] \simeq \mathcal{E}^G(\xi).$$

To do this, use

$$\mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}] = \mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi \circ \hat{\cdot} \circ \iota^{-1} \circ \iota]$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi \circ \hat{\cdot} \circ \iota^{-1} \circ \iota] &= \mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot} \circ \iota] \\ &= \int_{{}^*\mathbb{R}^{N+1}} {}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot} \circ \iota dQ, \quad (\text{transforming measure}) \\ &= \int_{{}^*\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{T}}} {}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot} d(Q \circ j), \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{Q \circ j}[{}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}] \end{aligned}$$

for  $j : {}^*\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{T}} \rightarrow {}^*\mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ ,  $(xt)_{t \in \mathbb{T}} \mapsto (\frac{xNt}{T})_{t \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}}$ .

Thus,

$$\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N = \{Q \circ j : Q \in {}^*\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N\}.$$

This implies,

$$\max_{\bar{Q} \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N} \mathbb{E}^{\bar{Q}}[{}^*\xi \circ \tilde{\cdot}] = \max_{Q \in {}^*\bar{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathbf{D}'_N}^N} \mathbb{E}^Q[{}^*\xi \circ \hat{\cdot}].$$

□

## APPENDIX

*Proof of Lemma 2.1.* From the above equation, we can say that  $\Delta M_k^f = f(k, \mathbb{X})\xi_k$ . And by the orthonormality property of  $\xi_k$ , we have

$$\mathbb{E}^{P_n}[f(k, \mathbb{X})^2 \xi_k^2 | \mathcal{F}_k^n] = \mathbb{E}^{P_n}[f(k, \mathbb{X})^2 | \mathcal{F}_k^n] \leq \mathbb{E}^{P_n}[(\sqrt{R_{\mathbf{D}}})^2 | \mathcal{F}_k^n] = R_{\mathbf{D}} \quad P_n \text{ a.s.},$$

as  $|\xi_k| = 1$ ,  $f(\dots)^2 \in \mathbf{D}$  implies

$$|(\Delta M_k^f)^2| = |f(k, \mathbb{X})|^2 \in [r_{\mathbf{D}}, R_{\mathbf{D}}] \quad P_n \text{ a.s.}$$

□

**Density argument verification.** Let

$$f : \xi \mapsto \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi]$$

and

$$g : \xi \mapsto \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}'_n/n}} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\xi(\widehat{X}^n)].$$

From (15), we know that for all  $\xi \in \mathcal{C}_b(\Omega, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $f(\xi) = g(\xi)$ . Since  $\mathbb{L}_*^1$  is the completion of  $\mathcal{C}_b(\Omega, \mathbb{R})$  under the norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_b(\Omega, \mathbb{R})$  is dense in  $\mathbb{L}_*^1$ ; and we want to prove for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{L}_*^1$ ,  $f(\xi) = g(\xi)$ . To prove this, it is sufficient to show that  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous with respect to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$ .

*For continuity of  $f$ :* For all  $P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}$  and  $\xi, \xi' \in \mathbb{L}_*^1$ ,

$$\sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] - \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi'] \leq \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[|\xi - \xi'|].$$

Since,  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}} \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$ ,

$$(25) \quad \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] - \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi'] \leq \|\xi - \xi'\|_*.$$

Interchanging  $\xi$  and  $\xi'$ ,

$$(26) \quad \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi'] - \sup_{P \in \mathcal{Q}_{\mathbf{D}}} \mathbb{E}^P[\xi] \leq \|\xi' - \xi\|_*.$$

Adding (25) and (26), we have  $|f(\xi) - f(\xi')| \leq \|\xi - \xi'\|_*$ .

*For continuity of  $g$ :* We follow the same argument as above.

*Proof of Remark 3.2.* Let  $\Phi$  be an internal function such that condition (1) holds. To show that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2), fix  $\varepsilon \gg 0$ . We shall show there exists a  $\delta$  for this  $\varepsilon$  as in condition (2). Since  $\Phi$  is internal, the set

$$I = \left\{ \delta \in {}^*\mathbb{R}_{>0} : \forall \omega' \in {}^*\Omega \ ({}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_{\infty} < \delta \Rightarrow {}^*|\Phi(\omega) - \Phi(\omega')| < \varepsilon) \right\},$$

is internal by the Internal Definition Principle and also contains every positive infinitesimal. By Overspill (cf. Albeverio et al. [1, Proposition 1.27])  $I$  must then contain some positive  $\delta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Conversely, suppose condition (1) does not hold, that is, there exists some  $\omega' \in {}^*\Omega$  such that

$${}^*\|\omega - \omega'\|_{\infty} \simeq 0 \text{ and } {}^*|\Phi(\omega) - \Phi(\omega')| \text{ is not infinitesimal.}$$

If  $\varepsilon = \min(1, {}^*|\Phi(\omega) - \Phi(\omega')|/2)$ , we know that for each standard  $\delta > 0$ , there is a point  $\omega'$  within  $\delta$  of  $\omega$  at which  $\Phi(\omega')$  is farther than  $\varepsilon$  from  $\Phi(\omega)$ . This shows that condition (2) cannot hold either.  $\square$

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