

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 Ω . 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 Ω , 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 Ω 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 Ω 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 Ω 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 ξ is a random variable on Ω , 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 ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n be an i.i.d sequence of $\{\pm 1\}$ -valued random variables. The components of ξ_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 ξ 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 ∞ , the increments of M^n uniformly tend to 0. Thus, $\widehat{M}^n \Rightarrow M$ on Ω . Since ξ 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 ∞ 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 ξ 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 space¹ 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 ξ 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, ψ is continuous with respect to the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$. Hence F is continuous with respect to any norm on $\mathbb{R}^{N(n, n)}$. \square

¹The 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 Ω 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 ω , 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 Ξ_1, \dots, Ξ_N be a * -independent sequence of $\{\pm 1\}$ -valued random variables on Ω_N and the components

of Ξ_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 ξ)). 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. Ξ is said to be a *uniform lifting* of ξ 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 Ω .

In order to construct the hyperfinite version of the G -expectation, we need to show that the $*$ -image of ξ , ${}^*\xi$, with respect to $\bar{\omega} \in ns({}^*\Omega)$, is the canonical lifting of ξ 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 Φ 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 ξ .*

Proof. Fix $\omega \in \Omega$. By definition, ξ is continuous on Ω . 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 ω 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,

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

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

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

(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,

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

This implies,

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

□

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 ξ_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 ξ and ξ' ,

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

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 Φ 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 δ for this ε as in condition (2). Since Φ 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 ω' within δ of ω at which $\Phi(\omega')$ is farther than ε from $\Phi(\omega)$. This shows that condition (2) cannot hold either. \square

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