

Nearly Optimal Strategies for Risk-sensitive Portfolio Optimization on Infinite Horizon

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- Freddy sensei (先生),
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- Rita-san lectured me that
“when I call a person by first name, that person should call me by first name, too. Otherwise...”

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- Helpful and convenient when we treat, e.g.,

$$\inf_{\pi} \underline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{P} (X_T^\pi \leq X_0 e^{kT})$$

and

$$X_t^\pi \geq f \left(\sup_{s \in [0, t)} X_s^\pi \right) \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

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- For Markovian model, the natural candidate strategy $\hat{\pi} := (\hat{\pi}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is always constructed from the stabilizing solution to the associated Ergodic HJB equation.

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2) If the agent is “too risk-averse”, the verification can fail and it can occur that

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3) We show that the value $\Gamma(\theta)$ is always finite. We construct $\exists \left(\tilde{\pi}^{(p)} \right)_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$: nearly optimal strategy, s.t.

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Remarks:

- 1) and 2) have been observed by Fleming and Sheu ('99), Kuroda and Nagai ('02), and Nagai ('02), using their Markovian models.
- 3) has been proved by Fleming and Sheu ('99) and Hata and S ('10), using specific 1-dim. OU-based models.

Contributions:

- Show 3) in a generalized setting with a “symmetric” model.
- Revise and simplify the original proof by Fleming and Sheu ('99).

Limitation:

- Proof is still indirect (relying on the convergence of the bottom of spectrum).

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■ Market model:

$$dS_t^0 = S_t^0 r(Y_t) dt, \quad S_0^0 = 1,$$

$$dS_t = \text{diag}(S_t) [\{r(Y_t)\mathbf{1} + a(Y_t)\} dt + \Sigma(Y_t)dW_t], \quad S_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^n,$$

$$dY_t = b(Y_t)dt + \Lambda(Y_t)dW_t, \quad Y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

(W : d -dim. BM, $\mathbf{1} := (1, \dots, 1)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^n$).

■ Wealth process of a self-financing investor:

$$\frac{dX_t}{X_t} = \sum_{i=1}^d \pi_t^i \frac{dS_t^i}{S_t^i} + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^d \pi_t^i\right) \frac{dS_t^0}{S_t^0}, \quad X_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{++},$$

($\pi := (\pi_t)_{t \geq 0}$, $\pi_t := (\pi_t^1, \dots, \pi_t^d)^\top$: dynamic investment strategy).

Long-term Portfolio Optimization

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$$\Gamma(\theta) := \sup_{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E}(X_T^{\pi})^{-\theta}$$

- $\theta (> 0)$: risk-averse parameter.
- Bielecki and Pliska, Fleming and Sheu, Kuroda and Nagai, Nagai, Nagai and Peng, and so on..
- Risk-sensitive portfolio optimization:

$$\Gamma(\theta) = \sup_{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp(-\theta \log X_T^{\pi}).$$

“Risk-sensitized” problem of

$$\sup_{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \mathbb{E} \log X_T^{\pi}.$$

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Recall

$$(X_t)^{-\theta} = (X_0)^{-\theta} M_t(-\theta \Sigma^\top \pi) \exp \left\{ -\theta \int_0^t \ell(Y_s, \pi_s; \theta) ds \right\},$$

$$M_t(f) := \exp \left(\int_0^t f_u^\top dW_u - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t |f_u|^2 du \right),$$

$$\ell(y, p; \theta) := r(y) + p^\top a(y) - \frac{1 + \theta}{2} p^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)(y) p.$$

We then see

$$\Gamma(\theta) = \sup_{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E}^{(\theta\pi)} \exp \left\{ -\theta \int_0^T \ell(Y_u, \pi_u; \theta) du \right\}$$

with

$$dY_t = \{ b(Y_t) - \theta (\Lambda \Sigma^\top)(Y_t) \pi_t \} dt + \Lambda(Y_t) dW_t^{(\theta\pi)}.$$

HJB Equation

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For

$$\Gamma^{(T)}(\theta) = \sup_{\pi} \frac{1}{(-\theta)} \log \mathbb{E}^{(\theta\pi)} \exp \left\{ -\theta \int_0^T \ell(Y_u, \pi_u; \theta) du \right\}$$

and

$$\bar{V}_t^{(T)} := \text{esssup}_{\pi} \frac{1}{(-\theta)} \log \mathbb{E}^{(\theta\pi)} \left[\exp \left\{ -\theta \int_t^T \ell(Y_u, \pi_u; \theta) du \right\} \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right],$$

the associated HJB is

$$\begin{aligned} -\partial_t V &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \text{tr} (\Lambda \Lambda^\top \partial_{yy} V) - \theta |\Lambda^\top \partial_y V|^2 \right\} \\ &\quad + \sup_{\pi \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left[\{b(y) - \theta \Lambda \Sigma^\top \pi\}^\top \partial_y V + \ell(y, \pi; \theta) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$V(T, y) = 0,$$

HJB Equation (2)

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which is rewritten as

$$-\partial_t V = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (\Lambda \Lambda^\top \partial_{yy} V) - \frac{1}{2} \partial_y V^\top \Lambda N^{-1} \Lambda^\top \partial_y V \\ + k(y)^\top \partial_y V + \left(\frac{1}{2(1+\theta)} a^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} a + r \right) (y),$$

$$V(T, y) = 0,$$

where

$$N^{-1} := N(\theta)^{-1} = \theta \left\{ I - \frac{\theta}{1+\theta} \Sigma^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} \Sigma \right\},$$

$$k := k(\theta) = b - \frac{\theta}{1+\theta} \Lambda \Sigma^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} a.$$

Ergodic HJB Equation

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Next, regarding

$$V^{(T)}(t, y) \sim \chi \cdot (T - t) + \xi(y) \quad \text{as } T - t \rightarrow \infty,$$

where $\chi \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\xi \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$, describe the EHJB:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi = & \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \text{tr} (\Lambda \Lambda^\top \nabla \nabla \xi) - \theta |\Lambda^\top \nabla \xi|^2 \right\} \\ & + \sup_{\pi \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left[\{b(y) - \theta \Lambda \Sigma^\top \pi\}^\top \nabla \xi + \ell(y, \pi; \theta) \right], \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \chi = & \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (\Lambda \Lambda^\top \nabla \nabla \xi) - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \xi^\top \Lambda N^{-1} \Lambda^\top \nabla \xi + k(y)^\top \nabla \xi \\ & + \left(\frac{1}{2(1 + \theta)} a^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} a + r \right) (y). \end{aligned}$$

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- Assume that a, b, r, Σ, Λ are globally Lipschitz, and that $\epsilon_1 I_n \leq \Sigma \Sigma^\top \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} I_n, \epsilon_2 I_m \leq \Lambda \Lambda^\top \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_2} I_m$ with $\exists \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 > 0$.

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Then, for each $T, \theta > 0$, the following are valid.

- $\exists V^{(T)}$: classical sol. of HJB.
- $\Gamma^{(T)}(\theta) = V^{(T)}(0, Y_0)$.
- Optimal strategy $\hat{\pi}^{(T)} := (\hat{\pi}_t^{(T)})_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is given by
$$\hat{\pi}_t^{(T)} := \frac{1}{1 + \theta} (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} \{ a - \theta \Sigma \Lambda^\top \partial_y V^{(T)} \} (t, Y_t).$$

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Moreover, under a certain additional condition,

- $V^{(T)}(0, \cdot) - V^{(T)}(0, 0) \rightarrow \exists \hat{\xi}$, $\frac{1}{T} V^{(T)}(0, \cdot) \rightarrow \exists \hat{\chi}$, and $(\hat{\chi}, \hat{\xi}) \in \mathbb{R} \times C^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$ solves EHJB.
- The diffusion $d\hat{Y}_t = \left\{ k - \Lambda N^{-1} \Lambda^\top \nabla^\top \hat{\xi} \right\} (\hat{Y}_t) dt + \Lambda(\hat{Y}_t) dW_t$ is ergodic ("system" is stabilized).

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Immediately, it follows that

$$\hat{\chi} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \Gamma^{(T)}(\theta) \geq \Gamma(\theta).$$

We expect that

$$\hat{\chi} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \Gamma^{(T)}(\theta) = \Gamma(\theta),$$

i.e.,

$$\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\pi} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^{\pi})^{-\theta} = \sup_{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^{\pi})^{-\theta}.$$

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- $(\hat{\chi}, \hat{\xi}) \in \mathbb{R} \times C^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$: stabilizing sol. of EHJB.
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$$\hat{\pi}_t := \frac{1}{1 + \theta} (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} \left\{ a - \theta \Sigma \Lambda^\top \nabla \hat{\xi} \right\} (Y_t).$$

We see that

$$-\frac{1}{\theta T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^{\hat{\pi}})^{-\theta} = \hat{\chi} + \frac{\hat{\xi}(x)}{T} - \frac{1}{\theta T} \log \hat{\mathbb{E}} e^{\theta \hat{\xi}(Y_T)}$$

under a measure-change. $\hat{\mathbb{P}}$ -dynamics of Y is

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- exponential-quadratic integrability of the inv. meas. of \hat{Y} .

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- (Nagai '03): if

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\theta^2} a^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} a - (\nabla \hat{\xi}^{(\theta)})^\top \Lambda \Sigma^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} \Sigma \Lambda^\top \nabla \hat{\xi}^{(\theta)} \right\} (y) \rightarrow \infty$$

as $|y| \rightarrow \infty$, then, the verification is established.

- (Kuroda and Nagai, '02) Assume

$$(\dagger) \quad a(y) = a_0 + A_1 y, \quad b(y) = b_0 + B_1 y, \quad r, \Lambda, \Sigma: \text{constant.}$$

Then,

$$\hat{\xi}^{(\theta)}(y) = \frac{1}{2} y^\top \hat{Q}^{(\theta)} y + y^\top \hat{q}^{(\theta)},$$

where $\hat{Q}^{(\theta)}$: stabilizing sol. of algebraic Riccati eq. and $\hat{q}^{(\theta)}$: sol. of an algebraic linear eq., and a sharper and more explicit result has been obtained.

Verification Theorem (2)

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- (Fleming and Sheu, '99) In addition to (†), assume that

$$d = 1, \quad n = 1, \quad A_1 = B_1, \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma = \Lambda.$$

Then, the following assertions hold.

- ◆ If $0 < \theta < 3$, then,

$$\Gamma(\theta) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^{\hat{\pi}})^{-\theta} = \hat{\chi}.$$

- ◆ If $\theta \geq 3$, then,

$$\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^{\hat{\pi}})^{-\theta} = -\infty.$$

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- Take a feedback-form strategy $\pi := (\pi(Y_t))_{t \geq 0}$. Regard

$$\overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} (X_T^\pi)^{-\theta} = \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E}^{(\theta\pi)} e^{-\int_0^T U(Y_t) dt}$$

with $U(y) := \theta \ell(y, \pi(y); \theta)$ as the bottom of the spectrum of a Schrödinger operator: $H := -L + U$, if $(Y, \mathbb{P}^{(\theta\pi)})$ is a symmetric diffusion.

Model with Symmetric Diffusion

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$$dS_t^0 = S_t^0 r(Y_t) dt, \quad S_0^0 = 1,$$

$$dS_t = \text{diag}(S_t) [\{r(Y_t)\mathbf{1} + a(Y_t)\} dt + \Sigma(Y_t)dW_t], \quad S_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^n,$$

$$dY_t = b(Y_t)dt + \Lambda(Y_t)dW_t, \quad Y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

- a, b, r, Σ, Λ : Lipschitz, $\epsilon_1 I_n \leq \Sigma \Sigma^\top \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_1} I_n$,
 $\epsilon_2 I_m \leq \Lambda \Lambda^\top \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_2} I_m$ with $\exists \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 > 0$.
- Moreover, assume one of the following:

(I) $m = 1$, $k(y)^\top y \leq -\kappa_1 |y|^2$, $\exists \kappa_1 > 0$, where

$$k := b - \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta} \Lambda \Sigma^\top (\Sigma \Sigma^\top)^{-1} a.$$

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(II) $m = n$, $a = b$, $\Sigma = \Lambda$: const. matrix,

$$a(y) = \Lambda \Lambda^\top \nabla \tilde{A}(y), \quad a(y)^\top y \leq -\kappa_1 |y|^2 \quad \exists \kappa_1 > 0,$$

■ Example:

$$\frac{dS_t^i}{S_t^i} - \frac{dS_t^0}{S_t^0} = dY_t^i, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

where $Y := (Y^1, \dots, Y^n)^\top$ is given by

$$dY_t = \Lambda \Lambda^\top (\tilde{a}_0 + \tilde{A}_1 Y_t) dt + \Lambda dW_t, \quad Y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

$$\tilde{A}_1 \in \mathbb{S}_n.$$

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Let $\phi \in C_b^\infty(\mathbb{R})$: smooth, bounded support, $0 \leq \phi \leq 1$, and $\phi|_{[-1,1]} \equiv 1$. Define $\phi^{(p)} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by

$$\phi^{(p)}(y) := \phi\left(\frac{|y|}{p}\right), \quad p \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Let $\theta \in (0, +\infty)$. Define $\check{\pi}^{(p)} := (\check{\pi}_t^{(p)})_{t \geq 0}$ ($p \in \mathbb{N}$) by $\check{\pi}_t^{(p)} := \tilde{\pi}^{(p)}(Y_t)$, where

$$\tilde{\pi}^{(p)}(y) := \tilde{\pi}(y)\phi^{(p)}(y)$$

($\hat{\pi}_t := \tilde{\pi}(Y_t)$: candidate of optimal). Then,

$$\Gamma(\theta) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp(-\theta \log X_T^{\check{\pi}^{(p)}}) = \hat{\chi}.$$

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Let $\theta \in (0, +\infty)$. Define $\check{\pi}^{(p)} := (\check{\pi}_t^{(p)})_{t \geq 0}$ ($p \in \mathbb{N}$) by $\check{\pi}_t^{(p)} := \tilde{\pi}^{(p)}(Y_t)$, where

$$\tilde{\pi}^{(p)}(y) := \frac{1}{1 + \theta} \nabla \left(\tilde{A} - \theta \hat{\xi} \phi^{(p)} \right) (y).$$

Then,

$$\Gamma(\theta) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp(-\theta \log X_T^{\check{\pi}^{(p)}}) = \hat{\chi}.$$

Lemma (1)

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$$\begin{aligned} -\theta \hat{\chi} &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \left\{ -\theta \hat{\chi} T - \hat{\xi}(y) + \log \hat{\mathbb{E}} e^{(\theta \hat{\xi} - \hat{B})(Y_T)} \right\} \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \left(X_T^{\tilde{\pi}} \right)^{-\theta} e^{-\hat{B}(Y_T)} \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E}^{(\theta \hat{\pi})} \exp \left\{ -\theta \int_0^T \hat{\ell}(Y_t) dt - \hat{B}(Y_T) \right\} \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp \left\{ -\int_0^T \hat{U}(y + \Lambda W_t) dt \right\} =: \hat{\lambda}_1, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \hat{B}(y) &:= (\Lambda \Lambda^\top)^{-1} \{ b - \theta \Lambda \Sigma^\top \tilde{\pi} \} (y), \quad \hat{\ell}(y) := \ell(y, \tilde{\pi}(y); \theta), \\ \hat{U}(y) &:= \theta \hat{\ell}(y) + e^{-\hat{B}(y)} (\mathcal{L} e^{\hat{B}})(y), \quad \mathcal{L} f := \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (\Lambda \Lambda^\top \nabla \nabla f). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma (2)

For $p \in \mathbb{N}$, define

$$\nabla \check{B}^{(p)}(y) := (\Lambda \Lambda^\top)^{-1} \{b - \theta \Lambda \Sigma^\top \tilde{\pi}^{(p)}\}(y),$$

$$\check{\ell}^{(p)}(y) := \ell(y, \tilde{\pi}^{(p)}(y); \theta), \quad \check{U}^{(p)} := \theta \check{\ell}^{(p)} + e^{-\check{B}^{(p)}} \mathcal{L} e^{\check{B}^{(p)}},$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \left(X_T^{\tilde{\pi}^{(p)}} \right)^{-\theta} \\ &= \underline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp \left\{ - \int_0^T \check{U}^{(p)}(y + \Lambda W_t) dt + \hat{B}^{(p)}(y + \Lambda W_T) \right\} \\ &\leq \underline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \exp \left\{ - \int_0^T \check{U}^{(p)}(y + \Lambda W_t) dt \right\} =: \check{\lambda}_1^{(p)}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$Hf := -\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(\Lambda\Lambda^\top \nabla \nabla f) + Uf, \quad f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

and use same H to denote its self-adjoint extension on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$.
Feynman-Kac semigroup on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$:

$$(e^{-tH}f)(x) := \mathbb{E} \left[\exp \left\{ - \int_0^t U(x + \Lambda W_s) ds \right\} f(x + \Lambda W_t) \right].$$

Fact: The bottom of the spectrum:

$$\inf \sigma(H) = - \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \|e^{-TH}\|_{2,2}$$

admits the representation (Kac, Simon, Donsker-Varadhan..)

$$\inf \sigma(H) = - \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \mathbb{E} \left[\exp \left\{ - \int_0^T U(x + \Lambda W_s) ds \right\} \right].$$

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We see, for

$$\hat{H}f := -\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(\Lambda\Lambda^\top \nabla\nabla f) + \hat{U}f \quad \text{and}$$
$$\check{H}^{(p)}f := -\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(\Lambda\Lambda^\top \nabla\nabla f) + \check{U}^{(p)}f,$$

that $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|e^{-T\hat{H}} - e^{-T\check{H}^{(p)}}\|_{2,2} = 0$, and that

$$-\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \check{\lambda}_1^{(p)} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \inf \sigma(\check{H}^{(p)}) = \inf \sigma(\hat{H}) = -\hat{\lambda}_1 = \theta \hat{\chi}.$$

From Lemma (1)-(2),

$$\hat{\chi} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\theta)T} \log \mathbb{E} \left(X_T^{\check{\pi}^{(p)}} \right)^{-\theta} \leq \Gamma(\theta).$$

Since we generally have $\Gamma(\theta) \leq \hat{\chi}$, the proof is complete.

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