

# Deep Gradient Flow Methods for Option Pricing in Diffusion Models

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Can we solve this PDE using a neural network?

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$$F(u) = \mathbf{b} \cdot \nabla u.$$

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- Seek approximations  $f^k(\mathbf{x}; \theta)$  such that

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$$dV_t^{n,i} = -\left(\gamma_i^n V_t^{n,i} + \lambda V_t^n\right) dt + \eta \sqrt{V_t^n} dB_t, \quad V_0^{n,i} = 0,$$

$$g^n(t) = V_0 + \lambda \theta \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^n \int_0^t e^{-\gamma_i^n(t-s)} ds,$$

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TDNM	0.027	0.036	0.053	0.052

Table: Computing time (seconds)

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