

Local Volatility Dynamic Models

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- $\{S_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ price process

- 0 interest rate (discount factor $t \equiv 1$)

- No dividend

Classical Approach

- Specify dynamics for S_t , e.g. GBM in Black Scholes case

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma_t dW_t$$

- Compute prices of derivatives by expectation, e.g.

$$C_0(T, K) = \mathbb{E} \{ (S_T - K)_+ \}$$

Main Assumptions

- At each time $t \geq 0$ we observe $C_t(T, K)$ the market price at time t of European call options of strike K and maturity $T > t$.
- Market prices by expectation

$$C_t(T, K) = \mathbb{E}\{(S_T - K)_+ | \mathcal{F}_t\}$$

for some measure (not necessarily unique) \mathbb{P}

Empirical Fact

Many observed option price movements cannot be attributed to changes in S_t

- Fundamental market data: **Surface** $\{C_t(T, K)\}_{T, K}$ instead of S_t

No arbitrage implies

- $C_0(T, K)$ increasing in T
- $C_0(T, K)$ non-increasing and convex in K
- $\lim_{K \nearrow \infty} C_0(T, K) = 0$
- $\lim_{K \searrow 0} C_0(T, K) = S_0$

Realistic Set-Up

- We actually observe

$$C_0(T_i, K_{ij}) \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, n_i$$

Davis-Hobson & references therein.

- Switch to notation $\tau = T - t$ for **time to maturity** (Musiela)
- Call surface $\{\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K)\}$ of prices $C_t(T, K)$ parameterized by $\tau \geq 0$ and $K \geq 0$.

$$\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = \mathbb{E}\{(S_{t+\tau} - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t\} = \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}_t}\{(S_{t+\tau} - K)^+\}.$$

$$\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = \int_0^\infty (x - K)^+ d\mu_{t,t+\tau}(dx)$$

Crucial Fact (Breeden-Litzenberger)

For each $\tau > 0$, the **knowledge of all the prices** $\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K)$ completely **determines** the **marginal** distribution $\mu_{t,t+\tau}$ of $S_{t+\tau}$ w.r.t. \mathbb{P}_t .

Black-Scholes Formula

Dynamics of the underlying asset

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma dW_t, \quad S_0 = s_0$$

Wiener process $\{W_t\}_t, \sigma > 0$.

Price of a call option

$$\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = S_t \Phi(d_1) - K \Phi(d_2)$$

with

$$d_1 = \frac{-\log M_t + \tau \sigma^2 / 2}{\sigma \sqrt{\tau}}, \quad d_2 = \frac{-\log M_t - \tau \sigma^2 / 2}{\sigma \sqrt{\tau}}$$

- $M_t = K/S_t$ moneyness of the option
- Φ error function

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-y^2/2} dy, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Classical Black-Scholes framework
- On any given day t fix
 - **maturity** T (or **time to maturity** τ)
 - **strike** K
- price is an **increasing function** of the parameter σ

$$\sigma \Leftrightarrow \tilde{C}_t^{(BS)}(\tau, K) \quad \text{one-to-one}$$

In general case, given an option **price** C **quoted** on the market, its **implied volatility** is the unique number $\sigma = \Sigma_t(\tau, K)$ for which

$$\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = C.$$

Used by **ALL** market participants as a *currency* for options

*the **wrong** number to put in the **wrong** formula to get the **right** price.*
(Black)

$$\{C_t(\tau, K); \tau > 0, K > 0\} \Leftrightarrow \{\Sigma_t(\tau, K); \tau > 0, K > 0\}$$

- **Static** ($t = 0$) "No arbitrage" conditions difficult to formulate (B. Dupire, Derman-Kani, P.Carr, ...)
- **Dynamic** "No arbitrage conditions" difficult to check in a dynamic framework
- (Derman-Kani for tree models)

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma_t dW_t, \quad S_0 = s_0$$

If $t > 0$ is fixed, for any τ_1 and τ_2 such that $0 < \tau_1 < \tau_2$, then for any convex function ϕ on $[0, \infty)$ we have (Jensen)

$$\int_0^\infty \phi(x) \mu_{t,t+\tau_1}(dx) \leq \int_0^\infty \phi(x) \mu_{t,t+\tau_2}(dx)$$

Or

$$\mu_{t,t+\tau_1} \preceq \mu_{t,t+\tau_2}$$

- $\{\mu_{t,t+\tau}\}_{\tau>0}$ non-decreasing in the **balayage order**
- (**Kellerer**) Existence of a Markov martingale $\{Y_\tau\}_{\tau \geq 0}$ with marginal distributions $\{\mu_{t,t+\tau}\}_{\tau>0}$.
- **NB** $\{Y_\tau\}_{\tau \geq 0}$ contains more information than the mere marginal distributions $\{\mu_{t,t+\tau}\}_{\tau>0}$

On Wiener space (in Brownian filtration)

Martingale Property implies

$$Y_\tau = Y_0 + \int_0^\tau Y_s a(s) dB_s$$

Markov Property implies

$$a(s, \omega) = a_t(s, Y_s(\omega))$$

At each time t , I choose surface $\{a_t(\tau, K)\}_{\tau>0, K>0}$ as an alternative code-book for $\{\tilde{C}(\tau, K)\}_{\tau>0, K>0}$.

$\{a_t(\tau, K)\}_{\tau>0, K>0}$ was introduced in a static framework (i.e. for $t = 0$) simultaneously by Dupire and Derman and Kani – called **local volatility surface**

Assume

$$dY_\tau = Y_\tau a_t(\tau, Y_\tau) d\tilde{B}_\tau, \quad \tau > 0$$

with initial condition

$$Y_0 = S_t$$

and $\mu_{t,t+\tau}$ has density $g_t(\tau, x)$.

Breeden-Litzenberger argument (specific to the *hockey-stick* pay-off function)

$$\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = \int_0^\infty (x - K)^+ g_t(\tau, x) dx$$

Differentiate both sides twice with respect to K

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial K^2} \tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = g_t(\tau, K). \quad (1)$$

Tanaka's formula:

$$(Y_\tau - K)^+ = (Y_0 - K)^+ + \int_0^\tau \mathbf{1}_{[K, \infty)}(Y_s) dY_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\tau \delta_K(Y_s) d[Y, Y]_s$$

and taking \mathbb{E}_t - expectations on both sides using the fact that Y is a martingale satisfying $d[Y, Y]_s = Y_s^2 a_t(s, Y_s)^2 ds$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) &= (S_t - K)^+ + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\tau \mathbb{E}_t\{\delta_K(Y_s) Y_s^2 a_t(s, Y_s)^2\} ds \\ &= (S_t - K)^+ + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\tau K^2 a_t(s, K)^2 g_t(s, K) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Take derivatives with respect to τ on both sides

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{C}(\tau, K)}{\partial \tau} = \frac{1}{2} K^2 a_t(\tau, K)^2 g_t(\tau, K).$$

Equate both expressions of $g_t(\tau, K)$

$$a_t(\tau, K)^2 = \frac{2\partial_\tau \tilde{C}(\tau, K)}{K^2 \partial_{KK}^2 \tilde{C}(\tau, K)}$$

Smooth **Call Prices** \leftrightarrow **Local Volatilities**

From local volatility surface $\{a_t(\tau, K)\}_{\tau, K}$ to call option prices

$\{\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K)\}_{\tau, K}$ solve PDE (Dupire's PDE)

$$\partial_\tau \tilde{C}(\tau, K) = \frac{1}{2} K^2 a^2(\tau, K) \partial_{KK}^2 \tilde{C}(\tau, K), \quad \tau > 0, K > 0$$

$$\tilde{C}(0, K) = (S_t - K)^+$$

$$\{\tilde{C}_t(\tau, K); \tau > 0, K > 0\} \leftrightarrow \{a_t(\tau, K); \tau > 0, K > 0\}$$

Why would this approach be better?

NEED ONLY POSITIVITY for no arbitrage

If

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma_t dW_t$$

for some Wiener process $\{W_t\}_t$ and some adapted non-negative process $\{\sigma_t\}_t$, then

$$a_t(\tau, K)^2 = \mathbb{E}_t\{\sigma_{t+\tau}^2 | S_{t+\tau} = K\}.$$

Proposed by **Derman-Kani** in 1998, but **NEVER** developed!

- Compute $a_0(\tau, K)$ from **market call prices (Initial condition)**
- Define a dynamic model by defining the **dynamics of the local volatility surface**

$$da_t(\tau, K) = \alpha_t(\tau, K)dt + \beta_t(\tau, K)dW_t$$

- **Question** Under what conditions do the Call Prices computed from the dynamics of $a_t(T, K)$ come from a model of the form the form

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma_t dB_t^i$$

with initial condition $S_0 = s$ the underlying instrument?

- **Answer**

$$\sigma_t = a_t(0, S_t)$$

No-Arbitrage Condition

- **Question** Under what conditions on the dynamics of $a_t(\tau, K)$ are the call prices (local) martingales?
- **Answer**

$$\left(\frac{\|a\|^2}{2} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle a, \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} \rangle_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial T} a \cdot \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}$$

Recall classical HJM drift condition

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} C(t, T) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} C(t, T) \cdot \int_t^T \sigma(t, s) ds = \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma^{(j)}(t, T) \int_t^T \sigma^{(j)}(t, s) ds.$$

Main Result Statement

The dynamic model of the local volatility surface given by the system of equations

$$d\tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) = \tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K)dt + \tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K)dW_t, \quad t \geq 0, \quad (2)$$

is **consistent** with a spot price model of the form

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma_t dB_t$$

for some Wiener process $\{B_t\}_t$, and **does not allow for arbitrage** if and only if a.s. for all $t > 0$:

$$\bullet \tilde{a}_t(0, S_t) = \sigma_t \quad (3)$$

$$\bullet \partial_\tau \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) \partial_{KK}^2 \tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) = \quad (4)$$

$$\left(\tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) \tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K) + \frac{\|\tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K)\|^2}{2} \right) \partial_{KK}^2 \tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) + \frac{d}{dt} \langle \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K)^2, \partial_{KK}^2 \tilde{C}_t(\tau, K) \rangle_t$$

$\langle \cdot \cdot \rangle_t$ quadratic covariation of two semi-martingales.

Practical Monte Carlo Implementation

- Start from a model for $\sigma_t(\tau, K)$ (say a stochastic differential equation);
- Get S_0 and $C_0(\tau, K)$ from the market and compute $\partial_{KK}^2 C_0$, a_0 and σ_0 from its model;
- Loop: for $t = 0, \Delta t, 2\Delta t, \dots$
 - 1 Get $\sigma_t(\tau, K)$ from the drift condition;
 - 2 Use Euler to get
 - $a_{t+\Delta t}(\tau, K)$ from the dynamics of the local volatility;
 - $S_{t+\Delta t}$ from S_t Dynamics;
 - $\sigma_{t+\Delta t}$ from its own model;

$$\tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K) = \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K).$$

Drift condition reads

$$\partial_\tau \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) = \tilde{\sigma}_t(\tau, K)$$

Hence

$$\partial_\tau \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) = \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{a}_t(\tau, K)$$

which shows that for fixed K , $\tilde{a}_t(\tau, K)$ is the solution of a transport equation whose solution is given by:

$$\tilde{a}_t(\tau, K) = \tilde{a}_0(\tau + t, K)$$

and the consistency condition forces the special form

$$\sigma_t = a_0(t, S_t)$$

of the spot volatility. Hence we proved:

The local volatility is a process of bounded variation for each τ and K fixed if and only if it is the deterministic shift of a constant shape and the underlying spot is a Markov process.

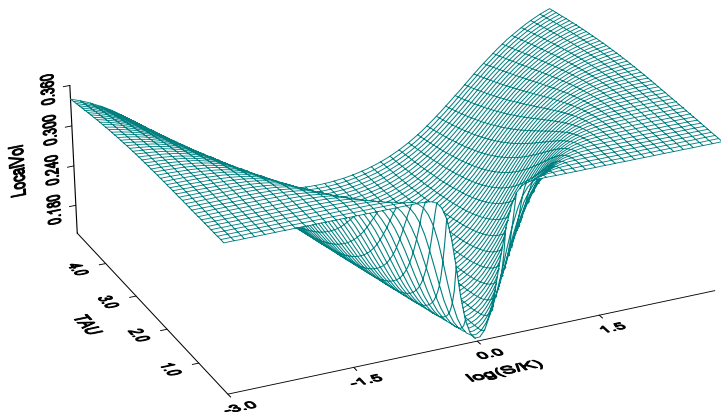
$$a^2(t, x, \Theta) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^2 d_i! \sigma^i e^{-x^2/(2\tau\sigma_i^2)} - \tau\sigma_i^2/8}{\sum_{i=0}^2 (d_i!/\sigma^i) e^{-x^2/(2\tau\sigma_i^2)} - \tau\sigma_i^2/8}$$

for

$$\Theta = (\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, d_1, d_2)$$

- Mixture of Black-Scholes Call surfaces for 3 different volatilities
- **Singularity** when $\tau \searrow 0$

Numerical Evidence of Singularity



As in **Brigo-Mercurio**

- Still a mixture of Black-Scholes Call surfaces for 3 different volatilities

- Each volatility is time dependent $t \mapsto \sigma_j(t)$
- $\sigma_0(0) = \sigma_1(0) = \sigma_2(0)$

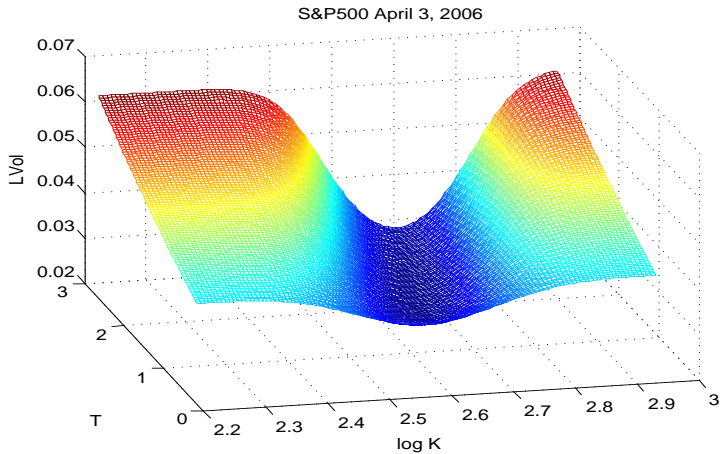
$$g^2(\Theta, \tau, x) = \frac{(1 - (d_1 + d_2)\tau) \sigma e^{-d^2(\sigma)/2} + d_1 \tau \sigma_1 e^{-d^2(\sigma_1)/2} + d_2 \tau \sigma_2 e^{-d^2(\sigma_2)/2}}{(1 - (d_1 + d_2)\tau) \frac{\sigma}{2} e^{-d^2(\sigma)/2} + d_1 \tau \frac{\sigma_1}{2} e^{-d^2(\sigma_1)/2} + d_2 \tau \frac{\sigma_2}{2} e^{-d^2(\sigma_2)/2}}$$

where

$$d(\sigma) = \frac{\sigma \sqrt{\tau}}{s - x + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\tau}$$

$$\Theta = (d_1, d_2, \sigma, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, s, r)$$

Fit to Real Data



$$dS_t = \sigma_t S_t dW_t$$

with

$$d\sigma_t^2 = b(\sigma_t^2)dt + a(\sigma_t^2)d\tilde{W}_t$$

where

$$d\langle W, \tilde{W} \rangle_t = \rho dt.$$

Usually

$$b(\sigma^2) = -\kappa(\sigma^2 - \overline{\sigma^2})$$

Special cases:

$$a(\sigma^2) = \kappa\sigma^2, \quad (\text{Hull-White}) \qquad a(\sigma^2) = \sqrt{\sigma^2} \quad (\text{Heston})$$

$$a^2(\tau, K) = \frac{2\partial_\tau C}{K^2 \partial_{KK}^2 C} = \sigma_0^2 \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} \cdot \frac{\mathbb{E} \left\{ S \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_\tau^2}{\bar{\sigma}_\tau} e^{-\frac{d_1^2}{2}} \right\}}{\mathbb{E} \left\{ \frac{S}{\bar{\sigma}_\tau} e^{-\frac{d_1^2}{2}} \right\}}$$

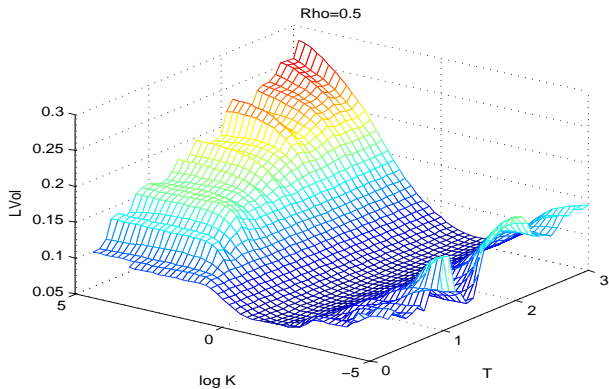
where $\tilde{\sigma}_\tau = \frac{\sigma_\tau}{\sigma_0}$, and $\bar{\sigma}_\tau = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \tilde{\sigma}_s^2 ds}$

$$S = s_0 \exp \left(\frac{\rho \sigma_0}{\hat{\sigma}} (\tilde{\sigma}_\tau - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_0^2 \rho^2 \bar{\sigma}_\tau^2 \tau \right)$$

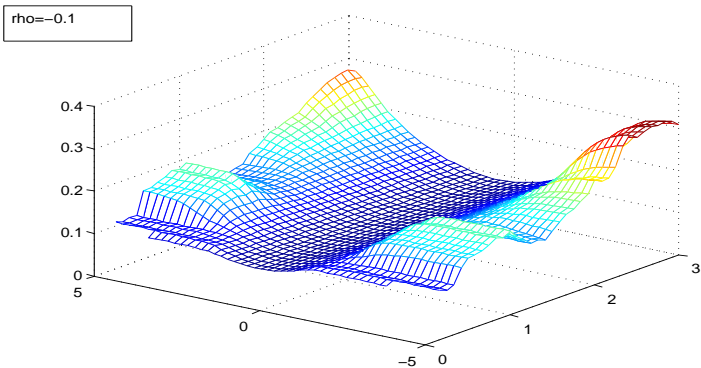
and

$$d_1 = \frac{\log(s_0) - \log(K) + \frac{\rho \sigma_0}{\hat{\sigma}} (\tilde{\sigma}_\tau - 1) + (\frac{1}{2} - \rho^2) \sigma_0^2 \bar{\sigma}_\tau^2 \tau}{\sqrt{1 - \rho^2} \sigma_0 \bar{\sigma}_\tau \sqrt{\tau}}$$

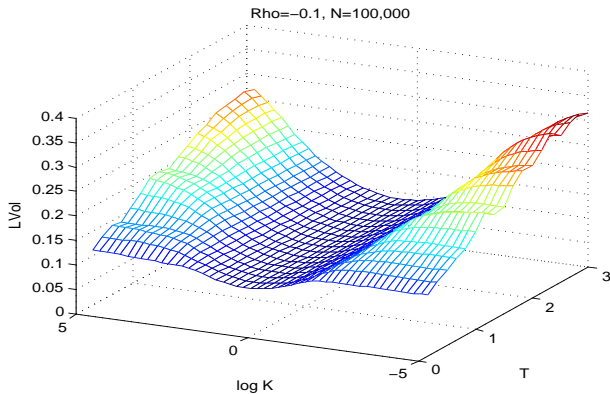
First Example: ρ 0.5



Second Example: $\rho = -0.1$



Third Example: $\rho = -0.75$



Comparing SV Models

