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# A Few Geometrical Problems in Finance

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# Some Problems and Tools

1. Problem: Calibration of Stochastic Volatility Models.  
Tool: Heat kernel expansion on a Riemannian manifold.
2. Problem: Large-strike behavior of the implied volatility.  
Tool: Schrödinger Semigroups Estimates.
3. Problem: Efficient discretization scheme for Monte-Carlo pricing.  
Tool: Combinatorial Hopf Algebra, Heat kernel on the Heisenberg group...

These tools arise in the Atiyah-Singer theorem...



Tool: HK expansion  
Problem: Calibration of Stochastic Volatility Models.





# Motivations

- The dimensionless parameter in Finance is  $[\text{vol}]^2\tau$  which is small  
 $\Rightarrow$  Asymptotic expansion.
- Try to find a systematic way of doing asymptotic expansion in Finance:
  1. Asymptotic smile for the SABR model at the first-order [Hagan-al]
  2. Asymptotic smile for basket at the zero-order [Avellaneda-al]
  3. Asymptotic swaption at the zero-order for LMM [Rebonato-Hull-White freezing argument] $\Rightarrow$  Heat kernel expansion.



Tool: HK expansion



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# Heat Kernel (1)

SDEs:  $dx^i = b^i(x)dt + \sigma^i(x)dW_i$ ,  $dW_i dW_j = \rho_{ij}dt$

Backward Kolmogorov equation [Einstein Convention here]

$$\partial_\tau p(\tau, x|y) = Dp(\tau, x|y)$$

with  $D = b^i \partial_i + \frac{1}{2} \rho_{ij} \sigma^i \sigma^j \partial_{ij}$

Under a change of coordinates  $x^i \rightarrow x^{i'}$ ,

$$b^{i'} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial x^{i'}}{\partial x^i} b^i}_{\text{covariant}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \rho_{ij} \sigma^i \sigma^j \frac{\partial^2 x^{i'}}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}}_{\text{non cov.}}$$

Rewrite  $D$  as  $D = g^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\partial_i + \mathcal{A}_i)g^{\frac{1}{2}}g^{ij}(\partial_j + \mathcal{A}_j) + Q$

By identifying the terms  $\partial_i$  and  $\partial_{ij}$ , we obtain

- Metric:  $g_{ij} = 2 \frac{\rho^{ij}}{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$ ,  $g = \det[g_{ij}]$ ,  $g^{ij} = [g_{ij}^{-1}]$
- Connection:  $\mathcal{A}^i = \frac{1}{2}(b^i - g^{-\frac{1}{2}}\partial_j(g^{1/2}g^{ij}))$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_i = g_{ij}\mathcal{A}^j$
- Section Q:  $Q = g^{ij}(\mathcal{A}_i \mathcal{A}_j - b_j \mathcal{A}_i - \partial_j \mathcal{A}_i)$ ,  $b_j \equiv g_{ji}b^i$



## Heat Kernel (2)

To summarize a heat kernel equation on a Riemannian manifold  $M$  is constructed from the following three pieces of geometric data:

1. a metric  $g$  on  $M$ , which determines the second-order piece.
2. a connection  $\mathcal{A}$  on a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$ , which determines the first-order piece.
3. a section of the bundle  $End(\mathcal{L}) \simeq \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^*$ , which determines the zeroth-order piece.

$p$  continuous section of the bundle  $(\mathcal{L} \boxtimes \mathcal{L}^*)$  over  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times M \times M$ <sup>a</sup>

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<sup>a</sup>Let  $\mathcal{E}_1$  and  $\mathcal{E}_2$  two vector bundle on  $M$ . and let  $pr_1$  be the projections from  $M \times M$  onto the first and second factor  $M$  respectively. We denote the external product  $\mathcal{E}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{E}_2$  the vector bundle  $pr_1^* \mathcal{E}_1 \otimes pr_2^* \mathcal{E}_2$  over  $M \times M$





# Reduction Method (1)

The heat kernel equation can now be simplified by applying the actions of the following groups:

▷ The **group of diffeomorphisms**  $\text{Diff}(\mathcal{M})$  which acts on the metric  $g_{ij}$  and the connection  $\mathcal{A}_i$  by

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} &\xrightarrow{f \in \text{Diff}(\mathcal{M})} (f^*g)_{ij} = g_{pk} \partial_i f^p(x) \partial_j f^k(x) \\ \mathcal{A}_i &\xrightarrow{f \in \text{Diff}(\mathcal{M})} (f^*\mathcal{A})_i = \mathcal{A}_p \partial_i f^p(x) \end{aligned}$$

▷ The **group of gauge transformations**  $\mathcal{G}$  which acts on the conditional probability (and the call option  $\mathcal{C}$ ) by

$$p(\tau, x|y) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}} p'(\tau, x|y) = e^{\chi(\tau, x) - \chi(0, y)} p(\tau, x|y)$$

Then  $p'$  satisfies the same equation as  $p$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}'_i &\equiv \mathcal{A}_i - \partial_i \chi \\ Q' &\equiv Q + \partial_\tau \chi \end{aligned}$$



## Reduction Method (2)

If the connection  $\mathcal{A}$  is an exact form

$$\mathcal{A}_i = \partial_i \Lambda$$

then by applying a gauge transformation

$$\mathcal{A}'_i = \mathcal{A}_i - \partial_i \Lambda = \partial_i \Lambda - \partial_i \Lambda = 0$$

The HK equation reduces to

$$\partial_\tau p'(\tau, x|y) = (\Delta + Q')p'(\tau, x|y)$$

The statement " $\mathcal{A}$  is exact" is equivalent to  $\mathcal{F} = 0$ , where  $\mathcal{F}$  is given in a specific coordinate system by

$$\mathcal{F}_{ij} = \partial_i \mathcal{A}_j - \partial_j \mathcal{A}_i$$

Obvious( $\Rightarrow$ ):  $\partial_i \partial_j \Lambda - \partial_j \partial_i \Lambda = 0$



# Heat Kernel Expansion

Let  $M$  be a Riemannian manifold without a boundary. Then for each  $x \in M$ , there is a complete asymptotic expansion for small  $\tau$

$$p(\tau, x|y) = \frac{\sqrt{g(x)}}{(4\pi\tau)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \sqrt{D(x, y)} \mathcal{P}(x, y) e^{-\frac{d(x, y)^2}{4\tau}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k(x, y) \tau^k$$

►  $d(x, y)$  is the geodesic distance:  $d(x, y) = \min_C \int_0^1 \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt}} dt$ .

On a flat manifold  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the geodesic curves are the straight lines and the geodesic distance is the Euclidean distance.

► Van Vleck-Morette determinant  $D(x, y)$ :

$$D(x, y) = g(x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \det \left( -\frac{\partial^2 \frac{d(x, y)^2}{2}}{\partial x \partial y} \right) g(y)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ with } g(x) = \det[g_{ij}(x, x)]$$

► Parallel gauge transport:  $\mathcal{P}(x, y) = e^{-\int_{\mathcal{C}(x, y)} \mathcal{A}_i dx^i}$  with  $\mathcal{C}(x, y)$  a geodesic from the point  $x$  to  $y$ .



# Heat Kernel Coefficients

The  $a_i(x, y)$  are smooth functions on  $M$  and depend on geometric invariants such as the scalar curvature  $R$ .

$$a_0(x, y) = 1$$

$$a_1(x, x) = \frac{1}{6}R + Q$$



## Problem: Calibration of SVMs



# SVM and Riemann Surface

A (1-factor) stochastic volatility model (SVM) depends on two SDEs, one for the asset  $f$  and one for the volatility  $a$ . In a risk-neutral measure, we have

$$df = C(f)a dW_1$$

$$da = b(a)dt + \sigma(a)dW_2$$

$$dW_1 dW_2 = \rho dt$$

This model corresponds in our geometrical framework to a Riemann surface  $\Sigma$ , endowed with a two-by-two metric.



# Riemann Uniformization Theorem

Isothermal Coordinates:

$$ds^2 = F(y)(dx^2 + dy^2)$$

Name	Conformal factor	Scalar curvature	Surface
Geometric	$F(y) \sim y^{-2}$	$R = -1$	$\mathbb{H}^2$
3/2-model	$F(y) \sim e^{\frac{-2y}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}}}$	$R = 0$	$\mathbb{R}^2$
SABR	$F(y) \sim y^{-2}$	$R = -1$	$\mathbb{H}^2$
Heston	$F(y) \sim y^{-1}$	$R = -2a^{-2} < 0$	Baby Black Hole

$$\triangleright R = \frac{\sigma(a)^2}{a} \left( \frac{\sigma'(a)}{\sigma(a)} - \frac{2}{a} \right).$$

$\triangleright$  For  $a \frac{\sigma'(a)}{\sigma} \leq 2$ :  $\Sigma$  is a **Cartan-Hadamard manifold**.  $\rightarrow$  The cut-locus is empty!



# Metric with one Killing vector

Integrable geodesics:

$$d(x, y) = \left| \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \frac{F(y') dy'}{\sqrt{F(y') - C^2}} \right|$$

with the constant  $C = C(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2)$  determined by the equation

$$x_2 - x_1 = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \frac{C}{\sqrt{F(y') - C^2}} dy'$$





# Asymptotic Local Volatility

LV:  $df_t = \sigma(t, f)dW_t$  and  $df_t = a_t C(f_t)dW_t$  have the same marginals if:

We have that the local vol<sup>2</sup> is the mean value of the stochastic vol<sup>2</sup> conditional to the forward:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2(t, f) &= C^2(f) \mathbb{E}[a_t^2 | f_t = f] \\ &\equiv C^2(f) \frac{\int_0^\infty a^2 p(t, f, a | \alpha, f_0) \sqrt{g} da}{\int_0^\infty p(t, f, a | \alpha, f_0) \sqrt{g} da}\end{aligned}$$

► Saddle point:

$$\sigma(t, f) = C(f) a_{\min}, \quad a_{\min} \equiv a \mid \min_{(a, f \text{ fixed})} d(z, z_0)$$

► Asymptotic local volatility ( $\phi(f, a) \equiv d^2(f, a)$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(T, f) &= \sqrt{2g^{ff}(a_{\min})} \left( 1 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{T}{\phi''(a_{\min})} \left( \frac{g^{ff'}(a_{\min})}{g^{ff}(a_{\min})} \left( \ln(Dg\mathcal{P}^2)'(a_{\min}) - \frac{\phi'''(a_{\min})}{\phi''(a_{\min})} \right) + \frac{g^{ff''}(a_{\min})}{g^{ff}(a_{\min})} \right) \right)\end{aligned}$$



# Asymptotic Implied Volatility for any SVM

Use asymptotic map between local and implied volatilities [Time-dependent HKE]:

$$\sigma_{BS}(\tau, K) = \frac{\ln(\frac{K}{f_0})}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{\sigma(f')}} \left( 1 + \frac{\tau}{3} \left( \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{\ln(\frac{K}{f_0})}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{\sigma(f')}} \right)^2 + Q(f_{av}) + \frac{3\mathcal{G}(f_{av})}{4} \right) \right)$$

with  $f_{av} \equiv \frac{f_0+K}{2}$ ,  $\sigma(f) \equiv \sigma(0, f)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(f) \equiv 2\partial_t \ln \sigma(0, f)$ .

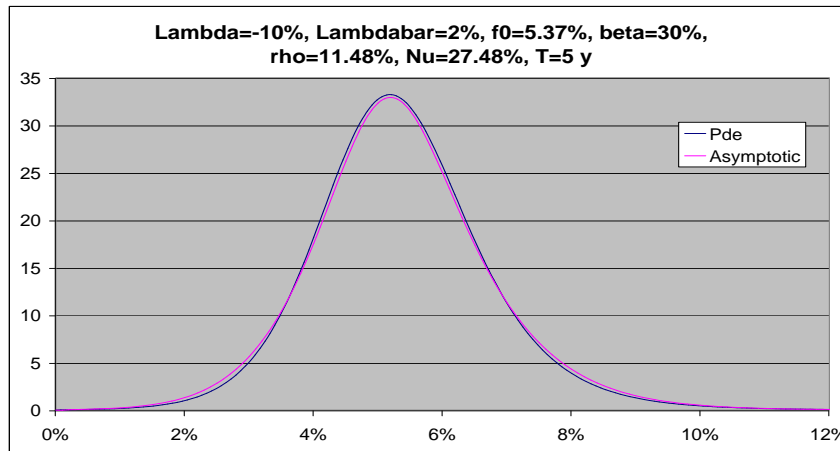
$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{BS}(T, K) = & \frac{\ln \frac{K}{f_0}}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{\sqrt{2g^{ff}(a_{\min})}}} (1 \\ & + \frac{g^{ff}(a_{\min})T}{12} \left( -\frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{\partial_f g^{ff}(a_{\min})}{g^{ff}(a_{\min})} \right)^2 + \frac{\partial_f^2 g^{ff}(a_{\min})}{g^{ff}(a_{\min})} + \frac{1}{f_{av}^2} \right) \\ & + \frac{g^{ff'}(a_{\min})T}{2g^{ff}(a_{\min})\phi''(a_{\min})} \left( \ln(Dg\mathcal{P}^2)'(a_{\min}) - \frac{\phi'''(a_{\min})}{\phi''(a_{\min})} + \frac{g^{ff''}(a_{\min})}{g^{ff'}(a_{\min})} \right) \end{aligned}$$



# SABR with a mean-reversion term

$$\begin{aligned}df_t &= a_t f_t^\beta dW_t \\ da_t &= \lambda(a_t - \bar{\lambda})dt + \nu a_t dZ_t \\ C(f) &= f^\beta, \quad a_0 = \alpha, \quad f_{t=0} = f_0\end{aligned}$$

where  $W_t$  and  $Z_t$  are two Brownian processes with correlation  $\rho \in (-1, 1)$ .





# SABR-BGM Model and $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$

SABR-BGM Model given under the spot Libor measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  by  $(\beta(t) = m \text{ if } T_{m-2} < t < T_{m-1})$

$$\begin{aligned} dF_k &= a^2 B^k(F, t) dt + \sigma_k(t) a C_k(F_k) dZ_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, n \\ da &= \nu a dZ_{n+1}; \quad dZ_i dZ_j = \rho_{ij} dt \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n+1 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$B^k(F, t) = \sum_{j=\beta(t)}^k \frac{\tau_j \rho_{jk} \sigma_k(t) \sigma_j(t) C_k(F_i) C_i(F_k)}{(1 + \tau_j F_j)}, \quad C_k(F_k) = F_k^{\beta_k}$$

- Bond of maturity  $T$ :  $P(t, T)$
- Swap:  $s_{\alpha\beta, t} = \frac{P(t, T_\alpha) - P(t, T_\beta)}{\sum_{i=\alpha+1}^{\beta} \tau_i P(t, T_i)}$
- Libor  $F_{\alpha, t} \equiv s_{\alpha(\alpha+1), t} = \frac{P(t, T_\alpha)}{\tau_{\alpha+1} P(t, T_{\alpha+1})} - 1.$



# Local Volatility

- The forward swap rate satisfies in the forward-swap measure (associated to the numeraire  $C_{\alpha\beta}(t) = \sum_{i=\alpha+1}^{\beta} \tau_i P(t, T_i)$ ) the following driftless dynamics

$$ds_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial s_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial F_k} \sigma_k(t) \phi_k(a, F_k) dZ_k$$

- The local volatility associated to the forward swap rate ( $ds_{\alpha\beta} = \sigma_{loc}^{\alpha\beta}(s_{\alpha\beta}, t) dW_t$ ) is then by definition

$$(\sigma_{loc}^{\alpha\beta})^2(s, t) \equiv \mathbb{E}^{\alpha\beta}[\rho_{ij} \sigma_i(t) \sigma_j(t) \phi_i(a, F_i) \phi_j(a, F_j) \frac{\partial s_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial F_i} \frac{\partial s_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial F_j} | s_{\alpha\beta} = s]$$



# Hyperbolic Geometry $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$ and Geodesics

► New coordinates  $[x_k]_{k=1\dots n+1}$  ( $L$  is the Cholesky decomposition of the (reduced) correlation matrix:  $[\rho]_{i,j=1\dots n} = [\hat{L}\hat{L}^\dagger]_{i,j=1\dots n}$ )

$$x_k = \sum_{i=1}^n \nu \hat{L}^{ki} \int_{F_i^0}^{F_i} \frac{dF'_i}{C_i(F'_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho^{ia} \hat{L}_{ik} a, \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$

$$x_{n+1} = \left(1 - \sum_{i,j}^n \rho^{ia} \rho^{ja} \rho_{ij}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} a$$

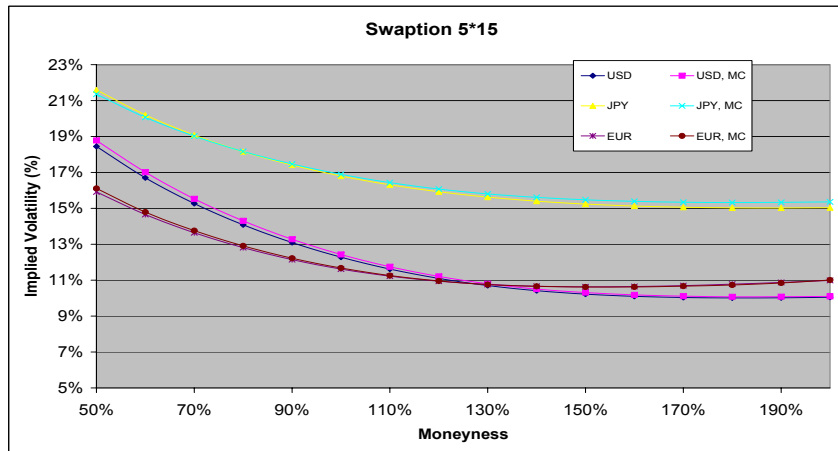
► Metric on  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$ :  $ds^2 = \frac{2(1 - \sum_{i,j}^n \rho^{ia} \rho^{ja} \rho_{ij})}{\nu^2} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n dx_i^2 + dx_{n+1}^2}{x_{n+1}^2}$

► Geodesic distance:  $d(x, x^0) = \cosh^{-1} \left( 1 + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (x_i - x_i^0)^2}{2x_{n+1}x_{n+1}^0} \right)$



# Numerical Tests

▷  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$  stochastic volatility LMM easily calibrated to swaption cubes.





Problem: Implied Volatility wings asymptotics.  
Tool: Schrödinger Semigroups Estimates.





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# Benaim-Friz formula (1)

Let the strictly decreasing function  $\Psi : [0, \infty] \rightarrow [0, 2]$  be

$$\Psi(x) = 2 - 4(\sqrt{x^2 + x} - x)$$

and let's define the class  $\mathbb{R}_\alpha$ :

A positive real-valued measurable function  $g$  is **regularly varying** with index  $\alpha$ , in symbols  $g \in \mathbb{R}_\alpha$ , if

$$g \in \mathbb{R}_\alpha \Leftrightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(\lambda x)}{g(x)} = \lambda^\alpha$$

Ex:  $g(x) = x^\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_\alpha$

We assume the integrability condition (IC) on the right tail <sup>a</sup>

$$\exists \epsilon > 0 : \mathbb{E}^\mathbb{P}[f_T^{(1+\epsilon)}] < \infty$$

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<sup>a</sup>  $f_T$ : forward



## Benaim-Friz formula (2)

Assuming the IC, then if  $-\ln \mathcal{C}(\tau, k)$ <sup>a</sup> is a regularly varying function in  $k$  (or in  $K$ ) with a positive index, we have

$$\frac{\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k)^2 \tau}{k} \sim \Psi \left( -\frac{\ln \mathcal{C}(\tau, k)}{k} \right)$$

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<sup>a</sup>Here  $\mathcal{C}(\tau, k)$  means a call option with moneyness  $k$  and maturity  $\tau$



Tool: Schrödinger Semigroups Estimates.



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# Separable Local Volatility

Under the risk-neutral measure  $\mathbb{P}$ :  $df = A(t)C(f)dW_t$

▷ Connection:  $\mathcal{A}_f = -\frac{1}{2}\partial_f \ln C(f)$

▷ Introducing the new coordinate  $s = \sqrt{2} \int_{f_0}^f \frac{df'}{C(f')}$  and the new time  $t' = \int_0^t A(s)^2 ds$ , the new function  $p'(t', s)$  defined by

$$p(t, f|f_0)df = p'(t', s(f)) \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{C(f_0)}{C(f)}}}_{ds}$$

satisfies an (Euclidean) one-dimensional Schrödinger equation

$$\partial_{t'} p'(t', s) = (\partial_s^2 - Q(s))p'(t', s)$$

Time-homogeneous potential <sup>a</sup>:  $Q(s) = -\frac{1}{2}(\ln C)''(s) + \frac{1}{4}((\ln C)'(s))^2$

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<sup>a</sup>where the prime ' indicates a derivative according to  $s$ .



# Time-homogeneous Potentials

LV Model	$C(f)$	Potential
BS	$f$	$Q(s) = -\frac{1}{8}$
Quad.	$af^2 + bf + c$	$Q(s) = -\frac{1}{8}(b^2 - 4ac)$
CEV	$f^\beta, 0 \leq \beta < 1$	$Q_{CEV}(s) = \frac{\beta(\beta-2)}{8(f^{1-\beta} + \frac{s(1-\beta)}{\sqrt{2}})^2}$
LCEV	$f \min(f^{\beta-1}, \epsilon^{\beta-1})$ with $\epsilon > f_0$	$Q_{LCEV}(s) = Q_{CEV}(s) \forall s \geq s_\epsilon \equiv \sqrt{2}(\frac{\epsilon^{1-\beta} - f^{1-\beta}}{(1-\beta)})$ $= -\frac{1}{8}\epsilon^{2(\beta-1)} \forall s < s_\epsilon$



# Dupire LV Model

LV model:  $df = C(t, f)dW$

Introducing the new coordinate  $s_t = \sqrt{2} \int_{f_0}^f \frac{df'}{C(t, f')}$ , the new function  $p'(t, s(f))$

$$p(t, f|f_0)df = p'(t, s(f)) \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{C(t, f_0)}{C(t, f)}} e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \int_{f_0}^f \frac{df'}{C(t, f')}} \partial_t \int_{f_0}^{f'} \frac{df''}{C(t, f'')}}_{ds} ds$$

satisfies a one-dimensional (Euclidean) Schrödinger equation

$$\partial_t p'(t, s) = (\partial_{s^2} + Q(t, s))p'(t, s)$$

with the time-dependent scalar potential <sup>a</sup>

$$Q(t, s) = -(\partial_s \mu(t, s) + \frac{1}{2} \mu(t, s)^2) - \int_0^s \partial_t \mu(t, s') ds'$$

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$$^a \mu(t, s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \partial_t \left( \int_{f_0}^{f(s)} \frac{df'}{C(t, f')} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \partial_s \ln(C(t, s))$$



# Gauge free Stochastic Volatility Models

We impose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is flat:

$$\mathcal{F} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Reduction:  $\partial_\tau p'(x, \alpha, \tau) = (\Delta_\Sigma + Q(x))p'(x, \alpha, \tau)$

Classification:

$$df = (\mu f + \nu)dW$$

$$da = a\sigma(a)(\gamma + \frac{1}{2}\partial_a \frac{\sigma(a)}{a})dt + \sigma(a)dZ, \quad dWdZ = \rho dt$$

name	$\sigma(a)$	$SDE$
Heston	$\sigma(a) = \eta$	$dv = \sqrt{\delta}(2v\gamma + \eta(\eta - 1))dt + 2\eta\sqrt{\delta}\sqrt{v}dW_2$
GB-SABR	$\sigma(a) = \eta a$	$dv = \sqrt{\delta}(2\eta\gamma v^{\frac{3}{2}} + \eta^2 v)dt + 2\sqrt{\delta}\eta v dW_2$
3/2-model	$\sigma(a) = \eta a^2$	$dv = 2\sqrt{\delta}\eta(\eta + \gamma)v^2 dt + 2\sqrt{\delta}\eta v^{\frac{3}{2}} dW_2$





# Gaussian Estimates of Heat Kernel Semigroups: A Famous Problem

$$c_1 p_N(c_2 t, x|\alpha) \leq p'(t, x|\alpha) \leq C_1 p_N(C_2 t, x|\alpha)$$

- J. Nash, Aronson (58) **Geometry**:  $\partial_t p'(t, x|\alpha) = \Delta_M p'(t, x|\alpha)$
- B. Simon (82) **Mathematical Physics**:  $\partial_t p'(t, x|\alpha) = (\partial_x^2 + Q(x))p'(t, x|\alpha)$
- Yau (78) **Geometry**:  $\partial_t p'(t, x|\alpha) = (\Delta_M + Q(x))p'(t, x|\alpha)$
- Norris-Stroock (Malliavin calculus) (83) **Probability**:  $\partial_t p'(t, x|\alpha) = Dp'(t, x|\alpha)$
- Q. Zhang (00) **Functional Analysis**:  $\partial_t p'(t, x|\alpha) = (\partial_x^2 + Q(x, t))p'(t, x|\alpha)$



# Autonomous Kato class

$$\partial_t p'(t, s) = (\partial_s^2 - Q(s))p'(t, s)$$

We say that  $Q$  is in the Kato class  $K$  if

$$Q \in K \Leftrightarrow \limsup_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_0^\delta dt \int_{\mathbb{R}} dy |Q(y)| p_G(t, y|x) = 0$$

with the free heat kernel  $p_G(t, y|x) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-\frac{(y-x)^2}{4t})$



# Examples of Potentials in the Kato class

- Black-Scholes:  $Q(s) = -\frac{1}{8} \Rightarrow$  In the Kato class
- LCEV:  $Q(s) = -\frac{1}{(s^2+1)} \Rightarrow$  In the Kato class
- Vasicek:  $Q(s) = s^2 \Rightarrow$  Not in the Kato class.

$$Q(y) \equiv y^2 = (y - x)^2 + 2(y - x)x + x^2$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} dy |Q(y)| p_G(t, y|x) \cong \sqrt{t} + x^2$$

$$\int_0^\delta dt \int_{\mathbb{R}} dy |Q(y)| p_G(t, y|x) \cong \frac{2}{3} \delta^{\frac{3}{2}} + x^2 \delta$$

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_0^\delta dt \int_{\mathbb{R}} dy |Q(y)| p_G(t, y|x) = \infty$$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_0^\delta dt \int_{\mathbb{R}} dy |Q(y)| p_G(t, y|x) = \infty$$



# Gaussian Estimates of Schrödinger Semigroups

Let  $Q^+ \equiv \max(Q, 0)$  and  $Q^- = \max(-Q, 0)$ .

- If  $Q^+ \in K_{loc}^a$  and  $Q^- \in K$ . Then we have an upper bound

$$p'(t, y|x) \leq C_1 e^{C_2 t} p_G(t, y|x), \quad t > 0, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

with two constants  $C_1, C_2$ . Note that the constant  $C_2 = 0$  if  $Q^+ = 0$ .

- Assuming that  $Q^+$  and  $Q^-$  are both in the Kato class  $K$ , we have also a lower bound

$$c_1 e^{c_2 t} p_G(t, y|x) \leq p'(t, x|y), \quad t > 0, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

with two constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

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<sup>a</sup>  $Q^+(y)1(y \leq N) \in K$



# Gaussian Estimates

Providing that the scalar potential associated to a local volatility function belongs to the Kato class, we have the Gaussian bounds on the function  $p'(t, s)$

$$c_1 e^{c_2 t} p_G(t, s) \leq p'(t, s) \leq C_1 e^{C_2 t} p_G(t, s)$$

This inequality translates directly on an estimation of the conditional probability  $p(t, f|f_0)$

$$c_1 e^{c_2 t} p_G(t, s) \leq p'(t', s(f)) = \frac{C(f)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\sqrt{2C(f_0)}} p(t, f|f_0) \leq C_1 e^{C_2 t} p_G(t, s)$$



# Gaussian Estimates of European Options

We can directly translate the Gaussian bounds on the conditional probability  $p'(t', s(K))$  into bounds on the implied volatility as

$$C(\tau, k) = \max(f_0 - K, 0) + \frac{\sqrt{C(K)C(f_0)}}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^\tau p'(t', s(K)) dt'$$

The large strike behavior of the implied volatility:

$$\frac{\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k)^2 \tau}{k} \sim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Psi \left( \frac{-\frac{1}{2} \ln(C(K)) + \frac{(\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{C(f')})^2}{2\tau}}{k} \right)$$

If  $s(K)$  is the leading term,  $\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k) \sim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{C(f')}} + o(\tau^2)$

Short-time limit of the IV  $\tau \ll 1$ ,  $f_{av} = \frac{f_0 + K}{2}$ :

$$\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k) = \frac{k}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{C(f')}} \left( 1 + \frac{\tau}{3} \left( \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{k}{\int_{f_0}^K \frac{df'}{C(f')}} \right)^2 + Q(f_{av}) \right) \right) + o(\tau^2)$$



## Example: CEV model

For  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , we have

$$\sigma_{BS}(k, \tau) \sim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k(1 - \beta)}{K^{1-\beta}}$$

and for  $\beta = 1$ , we have  $\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k) \sim 1$ .

This result should be compared with the result obtained using the Lee moment formula:

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma_{BS}(\tau, k)^2 \tau}{k} = 0$$

as all the moments exist.



# Extensions and Questions

- Dupire Local volatility: Gaussian estimates of SE with potentials  $Q(t, s)$  belonging to the non-autonomous Kato class.
- General SVMs:  $R$  is not bounded from below by  $-K, K > 0$  and/or  $Q$  is unbounded. Need Generalization of the Li-Yau estimates.

$$Q_{\text{LN-SABR}}(a) = -\frac{a^2}{8(1 - \rho^2)}$$

$$Q_{\text{LN-SABR}}(a_{\min}) = -\frac{\nu^2 k^2}{8(1 - \rho^2)} \rightarrow_{k \rightarrow \infty} \infty!$$





# Numerical Methods in Finance

## Available Numerical Methods in Finance

- PDE: Only when the number of assets is small.
- Monte-Carlo, Quasi Monte-Carlo: Euler, Milstein, stochastic Runge-Kutta, Ninomiya-Victoir, Cubature...

⇒ **Combinatorial Hopf algebra**. Similar structure in

- Renormalization in Quantum Field Theory: Connes-Kreimer
- Butcher Hopf algebra in deterministic Runge-Kutta methods
- Combinatorics of multi-zeta Riemann functions (polylogarithm): Zagier, Cartier, Kontsevitch, ..



# Taylor-Stratonovich Expansion

$$dx_t = \sum_{i=0}^n V_i \diamond dW_t^i, \quad dW_t^0 \equiv dt$$

$$f(x_t) = \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \mathcal{A}_r} V_{i_1} \dots V_{i_k} f(x) \int_{0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k < t} dW_{t_1}^{i_1} \dots dW_{t_k}^{i_k} + R_r$$

with  $V_i = V_i^k \partial_k$ .

▷ Graduation :  $[dW^0] = 1$  and  $[dW^i] = \frac{1}{2} \quad i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Replace the vector fields  $V_0, V_1, \dots, V_d$  by letters  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d$ :

$$X_{0,1}(\omega) = \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \mathcal{A}_r} \varepsilon_{i_1} \dots \varepsilon_{i_k} \int_{0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k < 1} d\omega^{i_1}(t_1) \dots d\omega^{i_k}(t_k)$$

→ Nice element of a (graded) non-commutative Hopf algebra.



# (Graded) Hopf algebra of words (1)

Define operations on  $\mathcal{H}_r$

- a scalar multiplication  $\times$
- sum  $+$
- concatenation  $.$
- coproduct  $\Delta : \mathcal{H}_r \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_r \otimes \mathcal{H}_r$
- unit  $\varepsilon : \mathcal{H}_r \rightarrow k$
- counit  $\eta$
- antipode  $a : \mathcal{H}_r \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_r$



## (Graded) Hopf algebra of words (2)

-Hopf algebra  $\mathcal{H}_r = \text{Algebra} + \text{Bialgebra} + \text{antipode}$

▷ **Primitive** elements :  $\Delta(x) = x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$

$\Rightarrow$  Lie algebra  $\mathcal{G}_r$ :  $a(\mathcal{L}) = -\mathcal{L}$

▷  $\exp(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$

▷ **Group-like** elements  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$ :  $G_r = \exp(\mathcal{G}_r)$ :

▷  $a(g) = g^{-1}$

▷  $\log(\exp) = 1$



# Group-like element

Theorem 0.1 (Chen)  $X_{0,1}(\omega)$  is a group-like element of  $\mathcal{H}_r$

$$X_{0,1}(\omega) = \exp(\mathcal{L})$$

for a primitive element (Lie polynomial)  $\mathcal{L}$  in  $\mathcal{G}_r$



# Yamato thm. and Carr-Madan Brownian rep.

Theorem 0.2 (Yamato)

$$\mathcal{L}_t = tV_0 + \cdots + W_t^m V_m + \sum_{r=2} \sum_{J \in \mathcal{A}_r} c_J W_t^J V^J$$

with the iterated Brownian integrals

$$W_t^J = \int_{0 \leq t_{j_1} < \cdots < t_{j_m} \leq t} dW_{u_1}^{j_1} \cdots \diamond dW_{u_m}^{j_m}, \quad V^J = [\cdots [V_{j_1}, V_{j_2}] \cdots V_{j_m}], \quad J = (j_1, \cdots, j_m)$$

$c_J$  are some constants.

- Carr-Madan: Classify models that can be written as a functional of a BM:  $\Rightarrow$  Abelian Lie algebra.
- Classify models that can be written as a functional of  $W_i$ ,  $\int_0^1 W_t^{[i]} dW_t^{[j]}$  (Levy area):  $V_0 = 0$ ,  $\{V_i\}$  1-step nilpotent Lie algebra: Heisenberg Lie algebra.



# Discretization scheme à la Ninomiya-Victoir

Weak order discretization scheme <sup>a</sup>

$$\Pi[\exp(\varepsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \varepsilon_i \varepsilon_i)] = \sum_{p=1}^P \lambda_p \Pi[\mathbb{E}[\exp(\mathcal{L}_p)]]$$

Weak order 3.0 at  $d = 1$  (Denuelle-PHL 2007):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pm} = e^{\frac{1}{24}[\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_0]} e^{\pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{12}}[\epsilon_1, \epsilon_0]} e^{\Delta W_n^1 \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_0} e^{\pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{12}}[\epsilon_1, \epsilon_0]} e^{\frac{1}{24}[\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_0]} e^{-\frac{1}{240}[\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_1 \epsilon_0]}$$

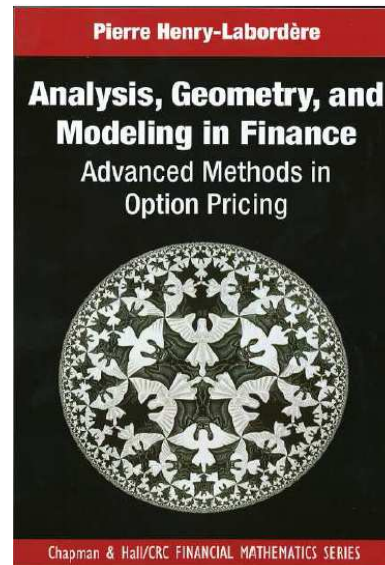
with  $\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}$ . Use the Hopf algebra structure to simplify the computations!

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<sup>a</sup> $\Pi$ : truncation operator with respect to the grading.



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