

# Kolmogorov Forward Equation and its Application In Proving Dupire's Formula

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## 1. Introduction

## 2. Kolmogorov Forward Equation

### 2.1. Background

### 2.2. Kolmogorov Forward Equation (KFE)

**THEOREM 1 (Kolmogorov Forward Equation).** *The transition probability density  $p(t, y|s, x)$  defined for  $s < t$  as  $P_{x,s}(X_t \in dy) = p(t, y|s, x)dy$  satisfies the partial differential equation, for every fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :*

$$\frac{\partial p(t, y|s, x)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{A}_t^* p(t, y|s, x), \quad (t, y) \in (s, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow s} p(t, y|s, x)dy = \delta(y - x)$$

where  $\delta_x(\cdot)$  is the Dirac delta function.

*Proof.* TODO

### 2.3. Notes on KFE

## 3. Dupire's Formula: An Application of KFE

### 3.1. Introduction to Local Volatility

### 3.2. Dupire's Formula