Prime Trading

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Futures Basis Model

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Data Cleaning

- BTIC, Dividend Futures, ES front month parsing
- Code Snippets

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.with columns([
pl.when(pl.col("month code")=="F").then(1)
.when(pl.col("month_code")=="G").then(2)
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.when(pl.col("month code")=="U").then(9)
.when(pl.col("month_code")=="V").then(10)
.when(pl.col("month code")=="X").then(11)
.when(pl.col("month code")=="Z").then(12)
.otherwise(None)
.alias("contract month")
```



Implied Financing Cost

- Recall
- In D.E Shaw Publication, it highlights the surge in additional financing cost
- Also, previously our theoretical price was constantly below the market price
- Thus we need to take into consideration, the financing cost
- Practical Considerations
- What financing rate should we use? Repo? Proprietary model?
- We can use implied financing spot rate in practice
- Brief Paper review (Implied Futures Financing Rate, Gunther, 2021)

The Implied Futures Financing Rate*

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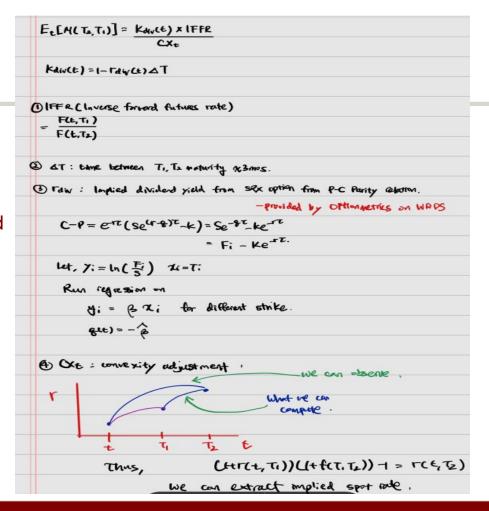
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Implied Financing Cost

- Brief Paper Review
- Data we would need to implement,
- 1. Front, Near Month Trade data
- 2. SPX Option implied dividend yield

Use option around ATM, ~T2



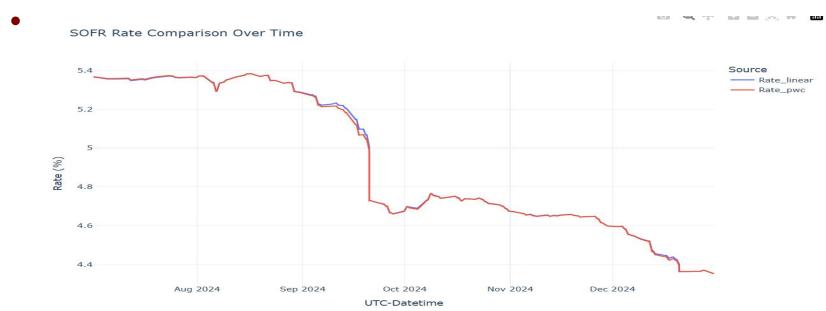
Implied Financing Cost

- What we did
- We fed the D.E Shaw paper's plot and asked GPT to produce approximate values for each date
- Shortcomings: the plot was 20day rolling average thus has some errors
- GPT produced the best approximate values but not exact values
- Going back to basic used simple discrete carry model without considering tax which we mentioned the last time



Interpolation methods

• PWC vs Linear





Visualization

- Spreads / percentage change / twinx / twinx for specific date
 (for two different interpolation methods; pwc & linear)
- See html file



Next Steps

- Wrap up and write a readme file on how to run the code
- Give a summary of what we did for previous weeks
- Worth researching on Prime Trading's side:
- Use implied futures forward rate to calculate the implied spot rate
- Doesn't even need complex interpolation methods
- Consistent with no arbitrage argument



Thank you!

