

# Volatility and Correlation Workshop (Part I)

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Volatility

# Volatility : some definitions

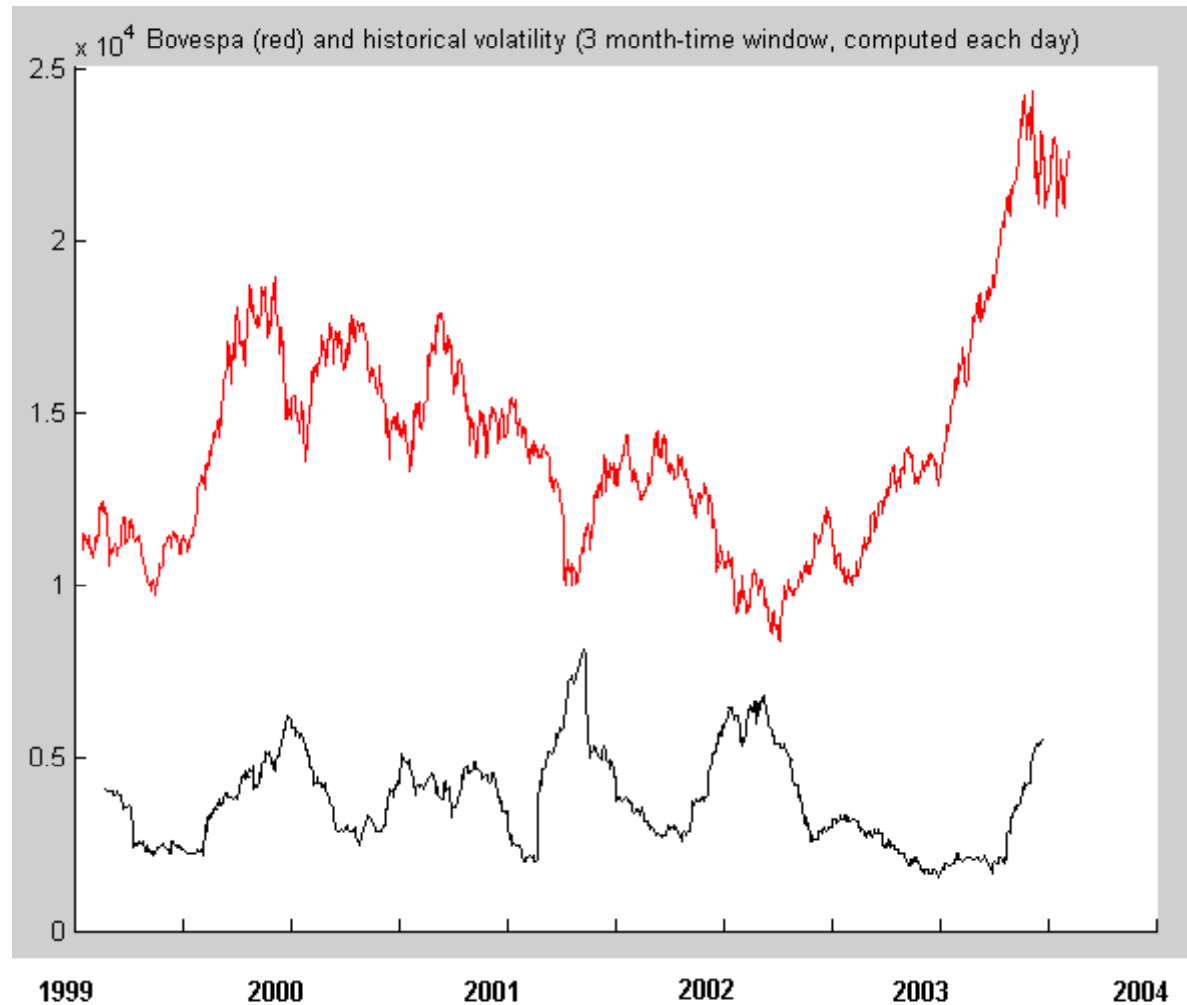
## Historical volatility :

annualized standard deviation of the logreturns; measure of uncertainty/activity

## Implied volatility :

measure of the option price given by the market

# Historical volatility



# Historical Volatility Estimation

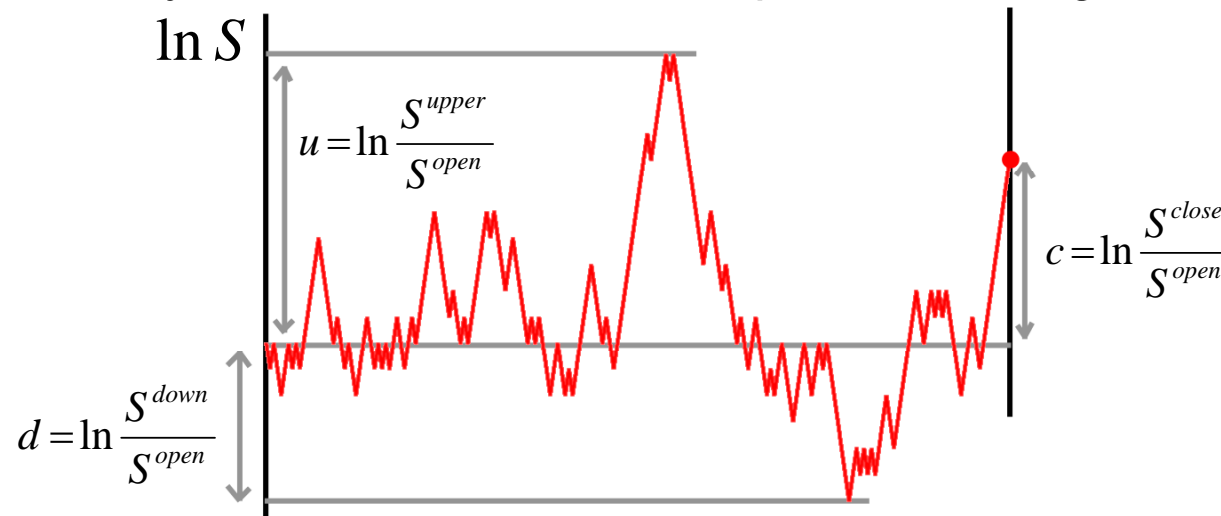
- Textbook Method: annualized SD of  $x_{t_i} \equiv \ln \frac{S_{t_i}}{S_{t_{i-1}}}$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{252}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{t_i} - \bar{x})^2}$$

- Better Method: subtract RN drift instead of realized drift
- Textbook method slightly underestimates volatility

# Estimates based on High/Low

- Commonly available information: open, close, high, low



- Captures valuable volatility information

- Parkinson estimate: 
$$\sigma_P^2 = \frac{1}{4n \ln 2} \sum_{t=1}^n (u_t - d_t)^2$$

- Garman-Klass estimate: 
$$\sigma_{GK}^2 = \frac{0.5}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n (u_t - d_t)^2 - \frac{0.39}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n c_t^2$$

# GARCH Estimation

GARCH estimates a process for the instantaneous volatility  
 $h_t$  is the variance of the next period return

GARCH(1,1):

$$h_t = \omega + \alpha r_{t-1}^2 + \beta h_{t-1} \text{ (estimated by maximum likelihood)}$$

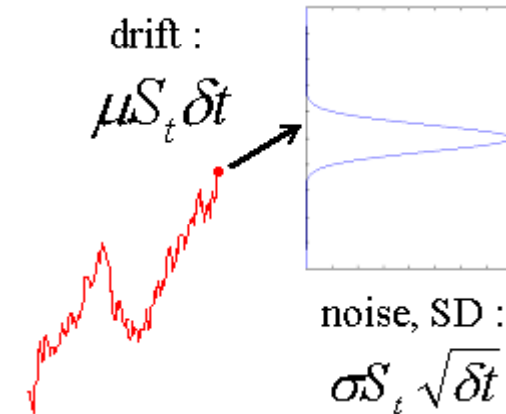
$$\alpha + \beta = 1 \text{ (RiskMetrics)} : h_t = (1 - \beta) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \beta^j r_{t-j-1}^2 \equiv \sigma_{\beta,t}^2$$

$$\alpha + \beta \neq 1 (< 1) \text{ with } \sigma^2 = \frac{\omega}{1 - \alpha - \beta} : h_t = (1 - \frac{\alpha}{1 - \beta}) \sigma^2 + (\frac{\alpha}{1 - \beta}) \sigma_{\beta,t}^2$$

# Black-Scholes Model

If instantaneous volatility is constant :

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dW$$



Then call prices are given by :

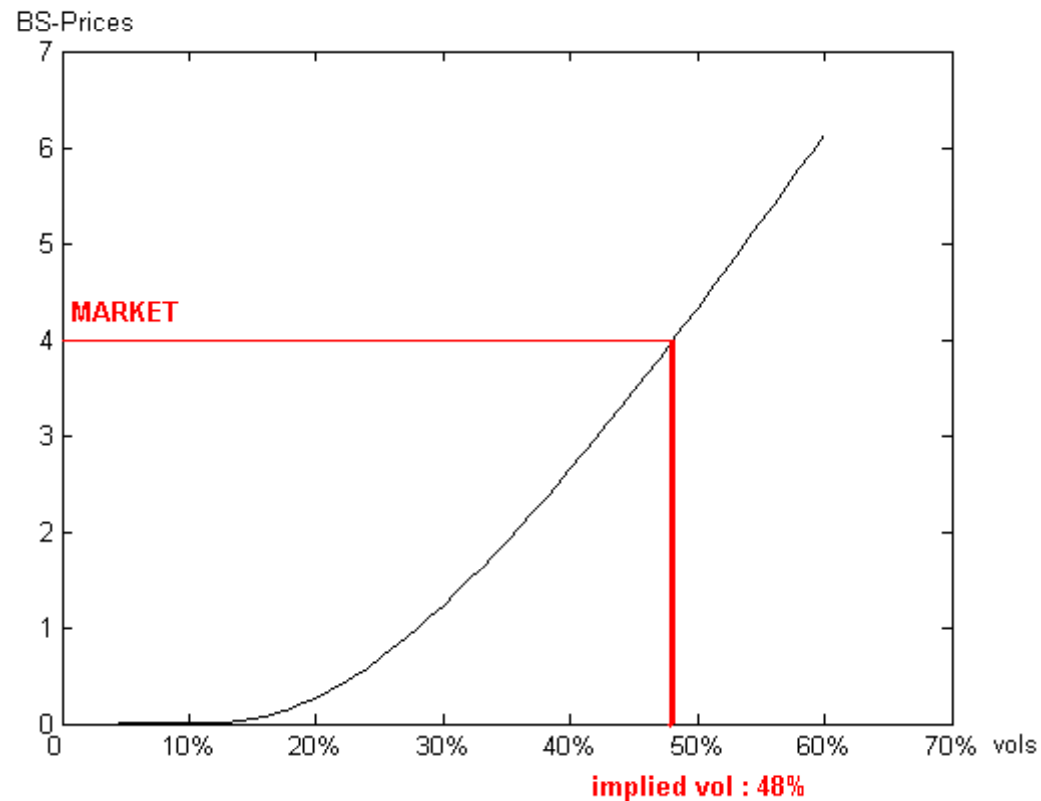
$$C_{BS} = S_0 N \left( \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \ln \left( \frac{S_0 \exp(rT)}{K} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma \sqrt{T} \right) - K \exp(-rT) N \left( \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \ln \left( \frac{S_0 \exp(rT)}{K} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma \sqrt{T} \right)$$

No drift in the formula, only the interest rate  $r$  due to the hedging argument.



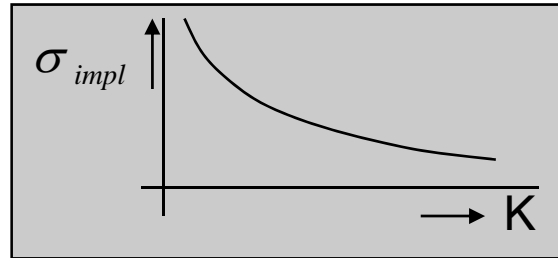
# Implied volatility

Input of the Black-Scholes formula which makes it fit the market price :



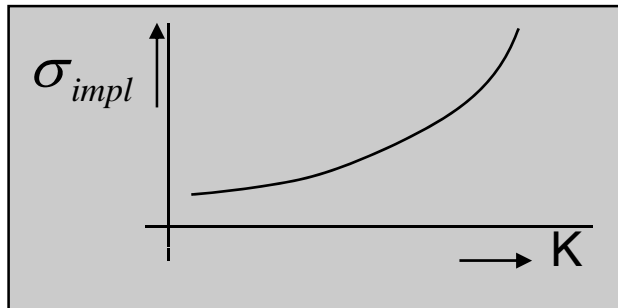
# Market Skews

Dominating fact since 1987 crash: strong negative skew on Equity Markets

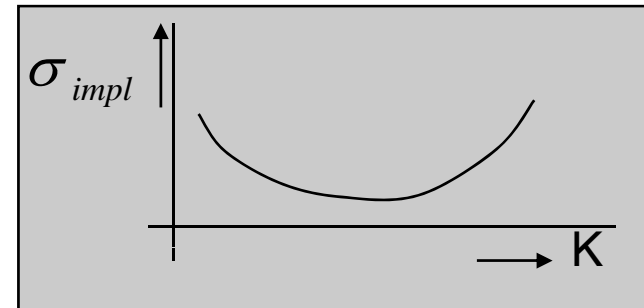


Not a general phenomenon

Gold:



FX:



We focus on Equity Markets

# Skews

- Volatility Skew: slope of implied volatility as a function of Strike
- Link with Skewness (asymmetry) of the Risk Neutral density function  $\varphi$  ?

Moments	Statistics	Finance
1	Expectation	FWD price
2	Variance	Level of implied vol
3	Skewness	Slope of implied vol
4	Kurtosis	Convexity of implied vol

# Why Volatility Skews?

- Market prices governed by
  - a) Anticipated dynamics (future behavior of volatility or jumps)
  - b) Supply and Demand

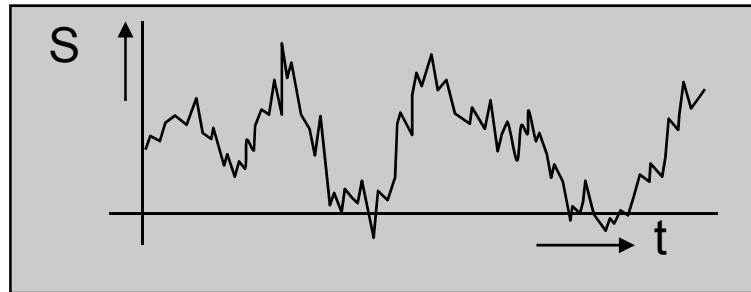


- To “arbitrage” European options, estimate a) to capture risk premium b)
- To “arbitrage” (or correctly price) exotics, find Risk Neutral dynamics calibrated to the market

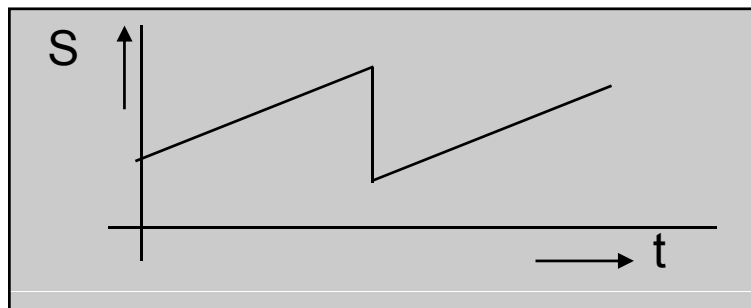
# Modeling Uncertainty

Main ingredients for spot modeling

- Many small shocks: Brownian Motion (continuous prices)

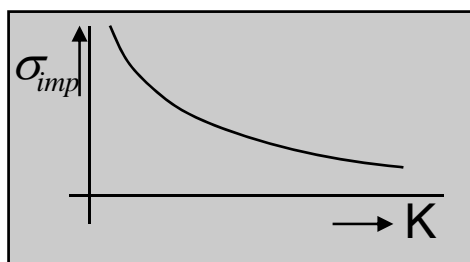


- A few big shocks: Poisson process (jumps)



## 2 mechanisms to produce Skews (1)

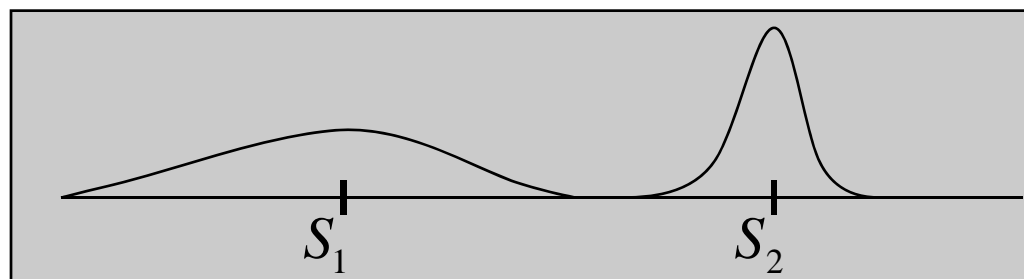
- To obtain downward sloping implied volatilities



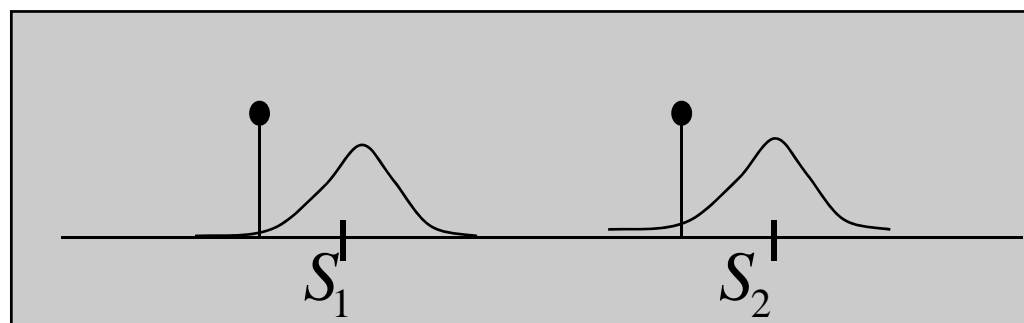
- a) Negative link between prices and volatility
  - Deterministic dependency (Local Volatility Model)
  - Or negative correlation (Stochastic volatility Model)
- b) Downward jumps

## 2 mechanisms to produce Skews (2)

- a) Negative link between prices and volatility



- b) Downward jumps



# Model Requirements

- Has to fit static/current data:
  - Spot Price
  - Interest Rate Structure
  - Implied Volatility Surface
- Should fit dynamics of:
  - Spot Price (Realistic Dynamics)
  - Volatility surface when prices move
  - Interest Rates (possibly)
- Has to be
  - Understandable
  - In line with the actual hedge
  - Easy to implement

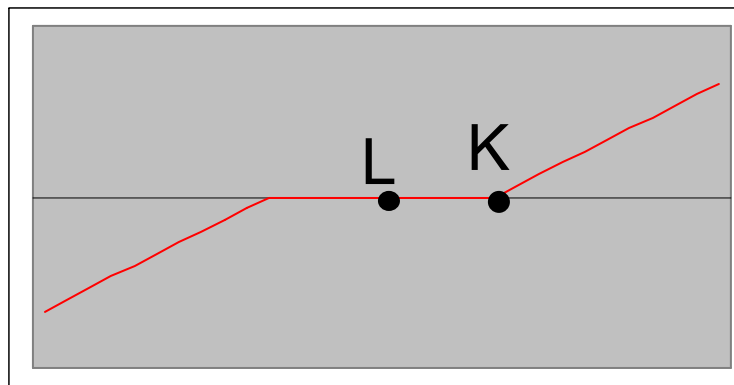


# Beyond initial vol surface fitting

- Need to have proper dynamics of implied volatility
  - Future skews determine the price of Barriers and OTM Cliquets
  - Moves of the ATM implied vol determine the  $\Delta$  of European options
- Calibrating to the current vol surface do not impose these dynamics

# Barrier options as Skew trades

- In Black-Scholes, a Call option of strike  $K$  extinguished at  $L$  can be statically replicated by a Risk Reversal



- Value of Risk Reversal at  $L$  is 0 for any level of (flat) vol
- Pb: In the real world, value of Risk Reversal at  $L$  depends on the Skew

# A Brief History of Volatility

# A Brief History of Volatility (1)

- $dS_t = \sigma dW_t^Q$  : Bachelier 1900
- $\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma dW_t^Q$  : Black-Scholes 1973
- $\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r_t dt + \sigma(t) dW_t^Q$  : Merton 1973
- $\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = (r - \lambda k) dt + \sigma dW_t^Q + dq$  : Merton 1976
- $\begin{cases} \frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma_t dW_t^Q \\ d\sigma_t^2 = a(\sigma_\infty^2 - \sigma_t^2)dt + \xi \sigma_t^\alpha dZ_t \end{cases}$  : Hull&White 1987

# A Brief History of Volatility (2)

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = \sigma_t dW_t^Q$$

$$d\sigma_t^2 = 2 \frac{\partial^2 L_T(t)}{\partial T^2} dt + \alpha dZ_t^Q$$

Dupire 1992, arbitrage model  
which fits term structure of  
volatility given by log contracts.

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r(t) dt + \sigma(S, t) dW_t^Q$$

$$\sigma^2(K, T) = 2 \frac{\frac{\partial \mathcal{C}}{\partial T} + rK \frac{\partial \mathcal{C}}{\partial K}}{K^2 \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{C}_{K, T}}{\partial K^2}}$$

Dupire 1993, minimal model  
to fit current volatility surface

# A Brief History of Volatility (3)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma_t dW_t \\ d\sigma_t^2 = b(\sigma_\infty^2 - \sigma_t^2)dt + \beta\sigma_t dZ_t \end{cases}$$

Heston 1993,  
semi-analytical formulae.

$$dV_{K,T} = \alpha_{K,T} dt + b_{K,T} dZ_t^Q$$

$V_{K,T}$  : instantaneous forward variance

conditional to  $S_T = K$

Dupire 1996 (UTV),  
Derman 1997,  
stochastic volatility model  
which fits current volatility  
surface HJM treatment.

# A Brief History of Volatility (4)

– Bates 1996, Heston + Jumps:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma_t dZ_t + dq \\ d\sigma_t^2 = b(\sigma_\infty^2 - \sigma_t^2)dt + \beta\sigma_t dW_t \end{cases}$$

– Local volatility + stochastic volatility:

- Markov specification of UTV
- Reech Capital Model:  $f$  is quadratic
- SABR:  $f$  is a power function

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma_t f(S, t) dZ_t^Q$$

# A Brief History of Volatility (5)

- Lévy Processes
- Stochastic clock:
  - VG (Variance Gamma) Model:
    - BM taken at random time  $g(t)$
  - CGMY model:
    - same, with integrated square root process
- Jumps in volatility (Duffie, Pan & Singleton)
- Path dependent volatility
- Implied volatility modelling
- Incorporate stochastic interest rates
- $n$  dimensional dynamics of volatility
- $n$  assets stochastic correlation matrix



# Local Volatility Model

# From Simple to Complex

- How to extend Black-Scholes to make it compatible with market option prices?
  - Exotics are hedged with Europeans.
  - A model for pricing complex options has to price simple options correctly.

# Black-Scholes assumption

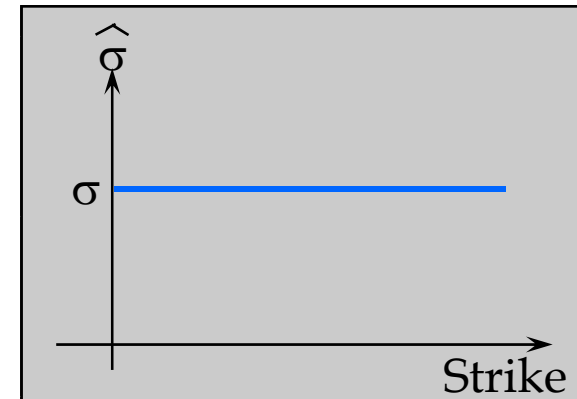
- BS assumes constant volatility  
=> same implied vols for all options.

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dW$$

(instantaneous vol)

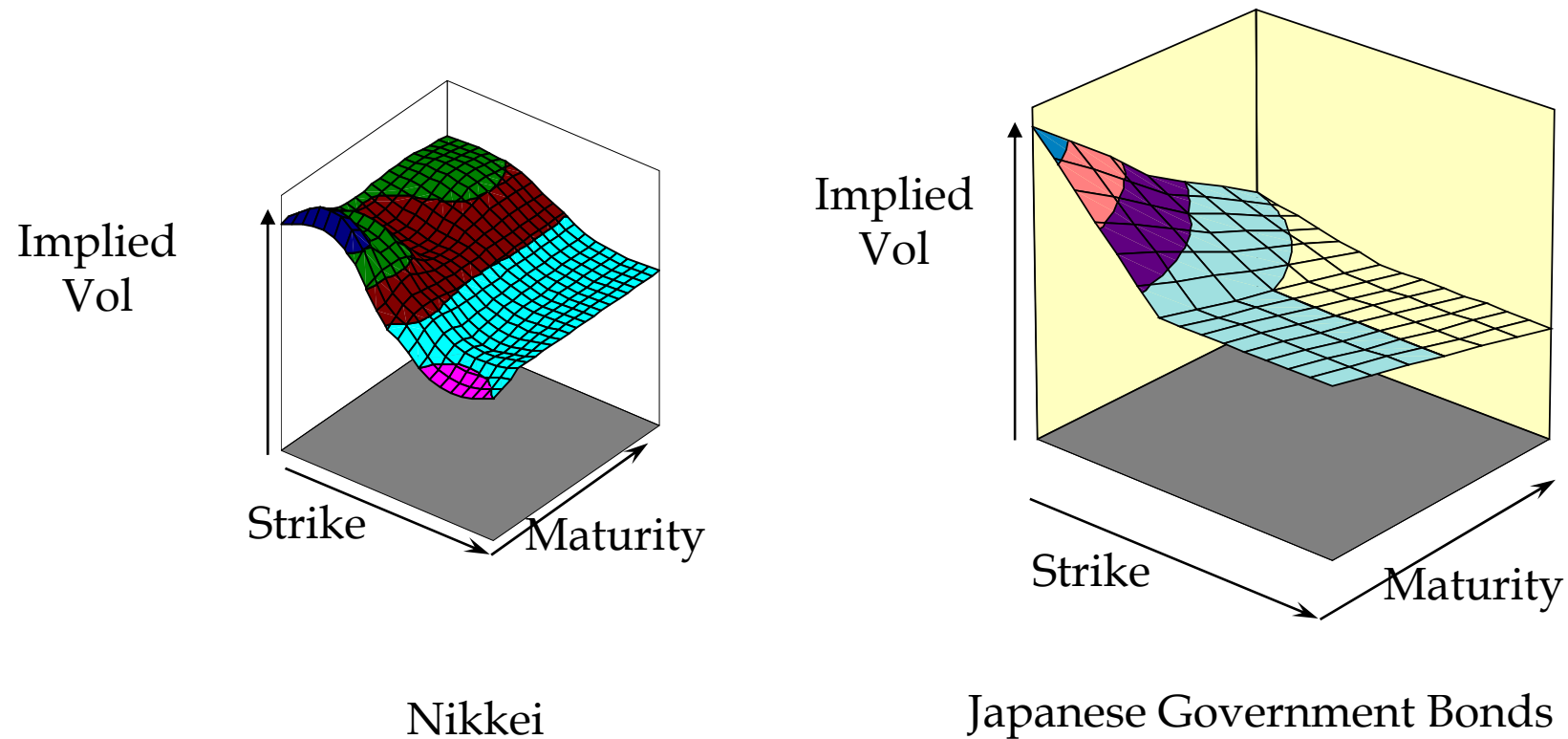


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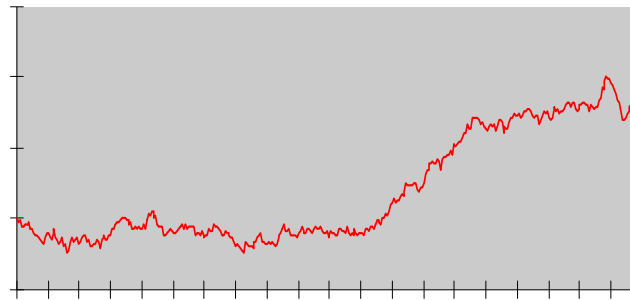
# Black-Scholes assumption

- In practice, highly varying.

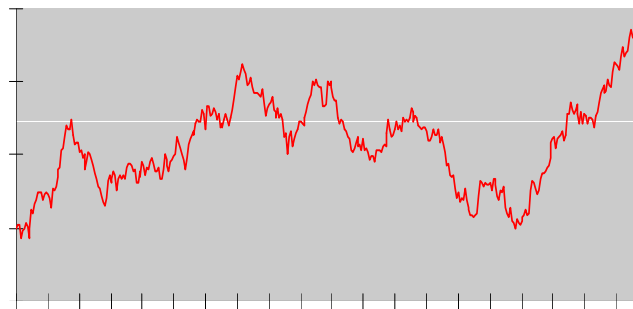


# Modeling Problems

- Problem: one model per option.
  - for C1 (strike 130)  $\sigma = 10\%$



–for C2 (strike 80)  $\sigma = 20\%$



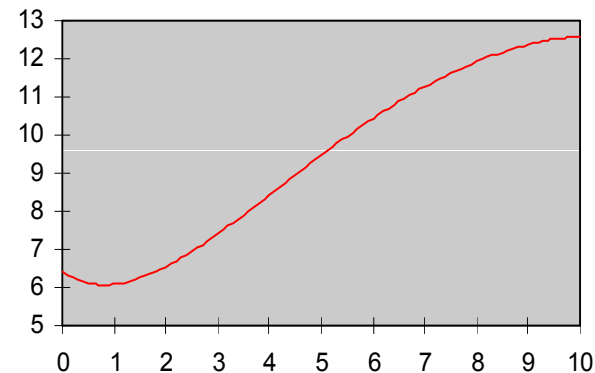
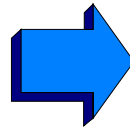
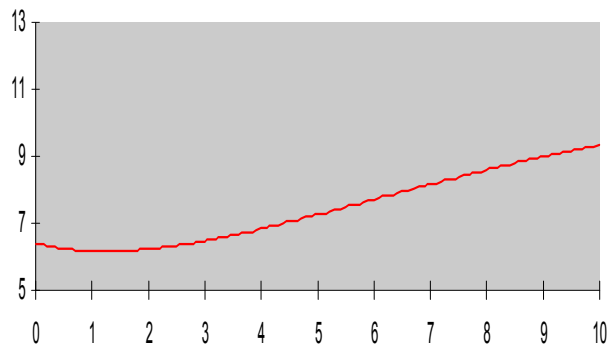
# One Single Model

- We know that a model with  $\sigma(S,t)$  would generate smiles.
  - Can we find  $\sigma(S,t)$  which fits market smiles?
  - Are there several solutions?

ANSWER: One and only one way to do it.

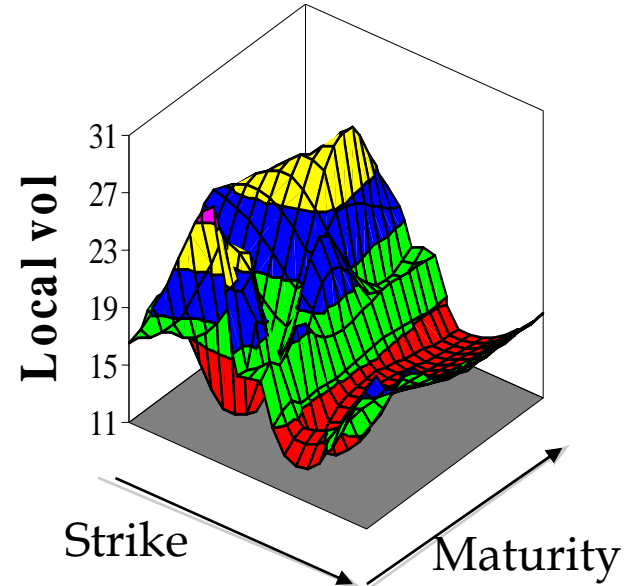
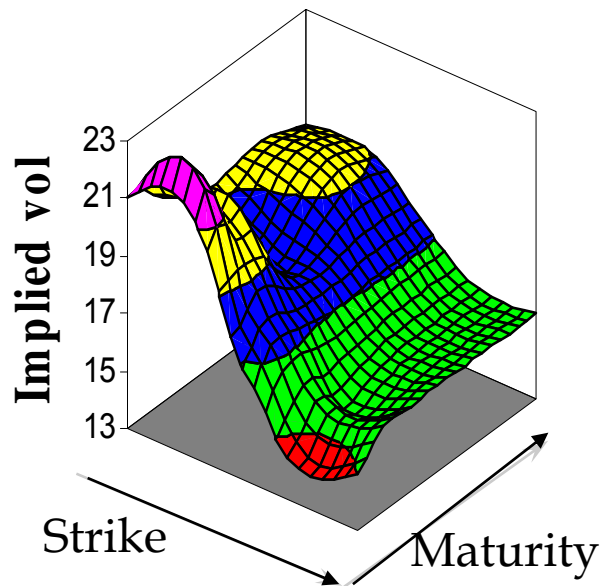
# Interest rate analogy

- From the current Yield Curve, one can compute an Instantaneous Forward Rate.



- Would be realized in a world of certainty,
- Are not realized in real world,
- Have to be taken into account for pricing.

# Volatility



Dream: from Implied Vols    read    Local (Instantaneous Forward) Vols

**How to make it real?**

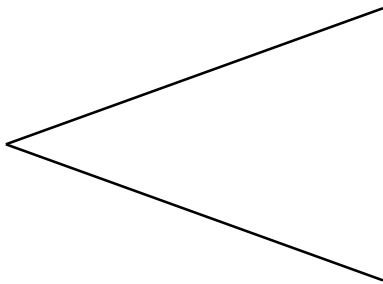


# Discretization

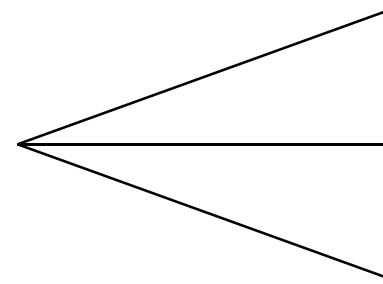
- Two approaches:
  - to build a tree that matches European options,
  - to seek the continuous time process that matches European options and discretize it.

# Tree Geometry

Binomial

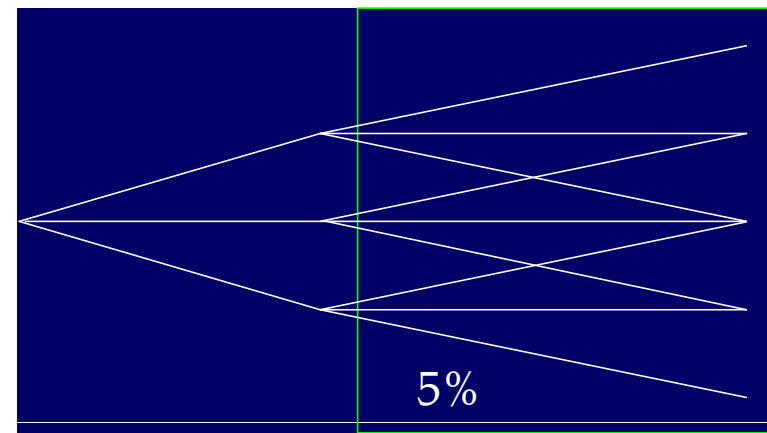
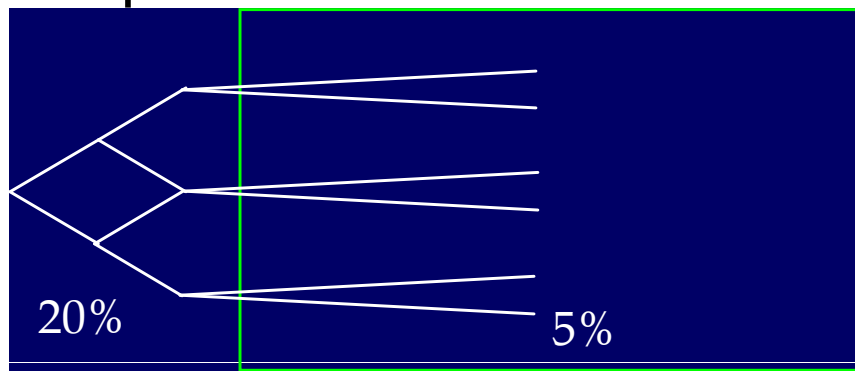


Trinomial



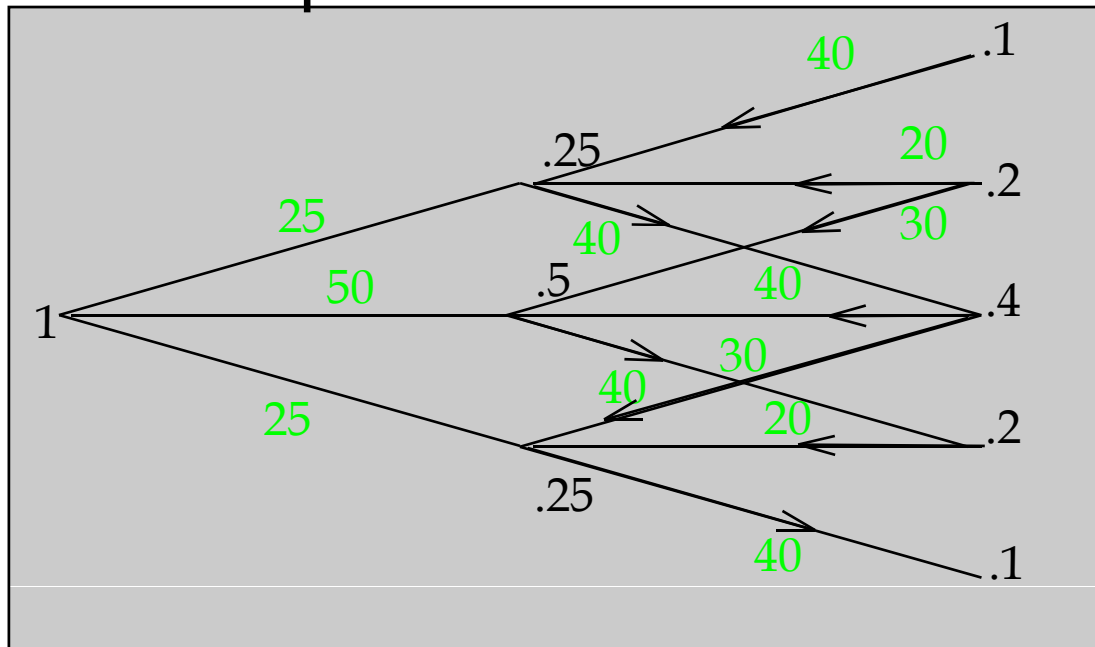
To discretize  $\sigma(S,t)$  TRINOMIAL is more adapted

Example:

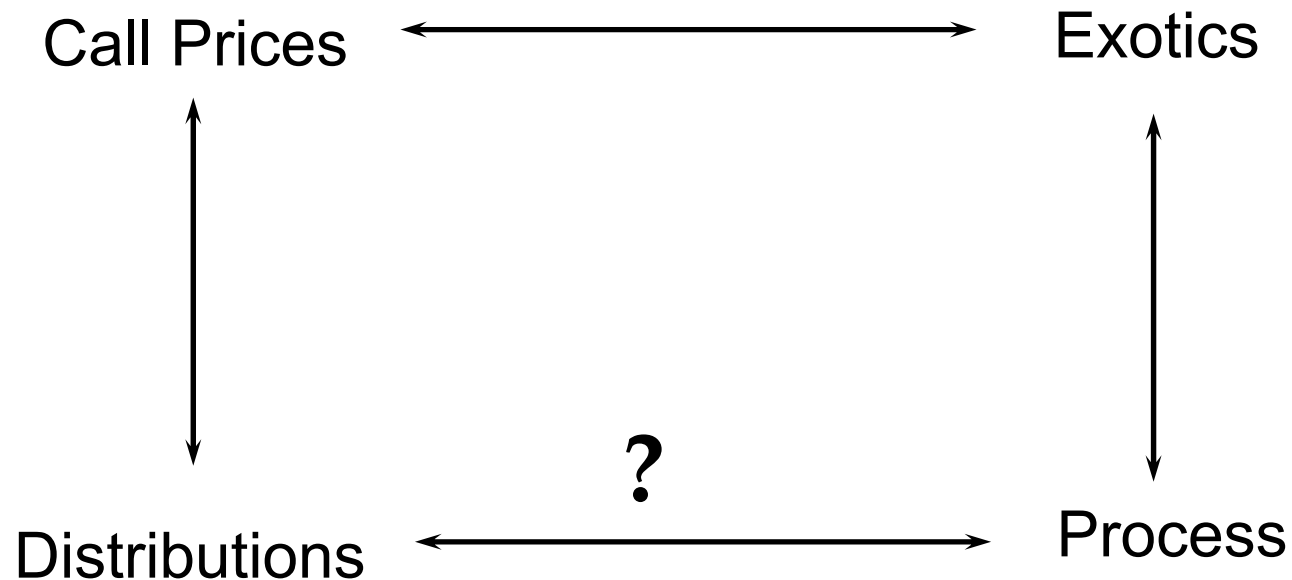


# Tango Tree

- Rules to compute connections
  - price correctly Arrow-Debreu associated with nodes
  - respect local risk-neutral drift
- Example

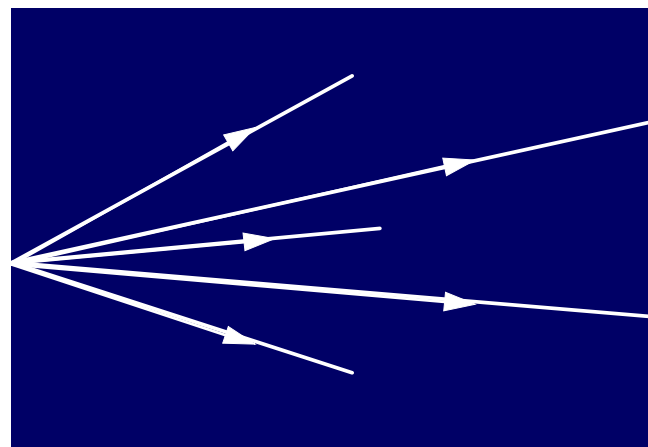


# Continuous Time Approach

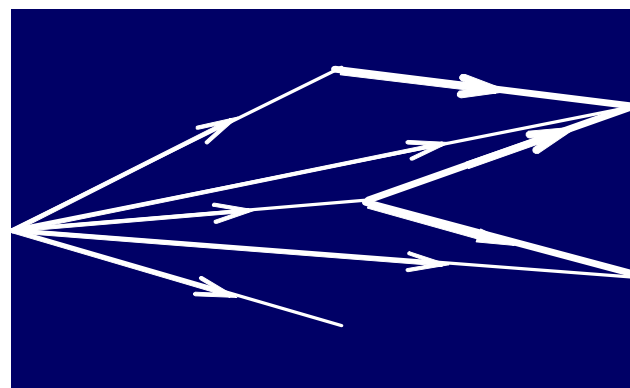


# Distributions - Diffusion

Distributions

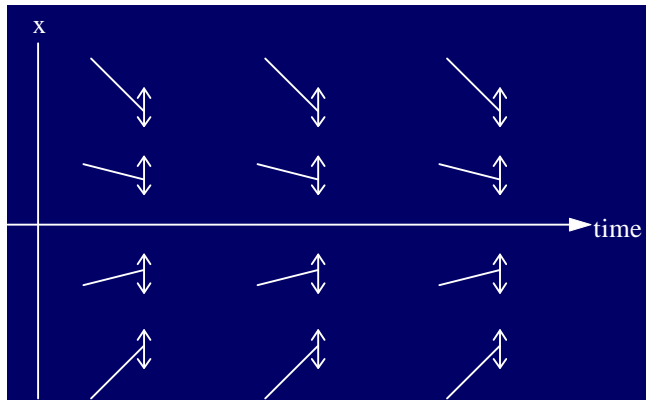


Process

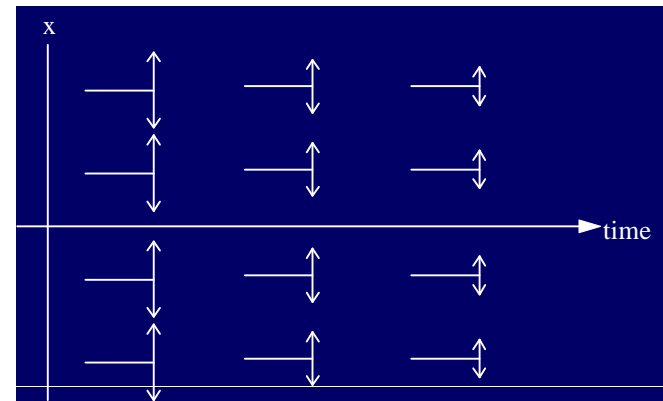
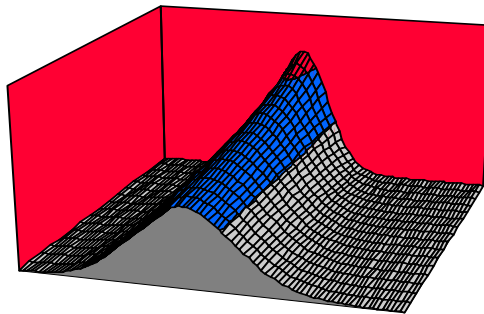


# Distributions - Diffusion

- Two different diffusions may generate the same distributions



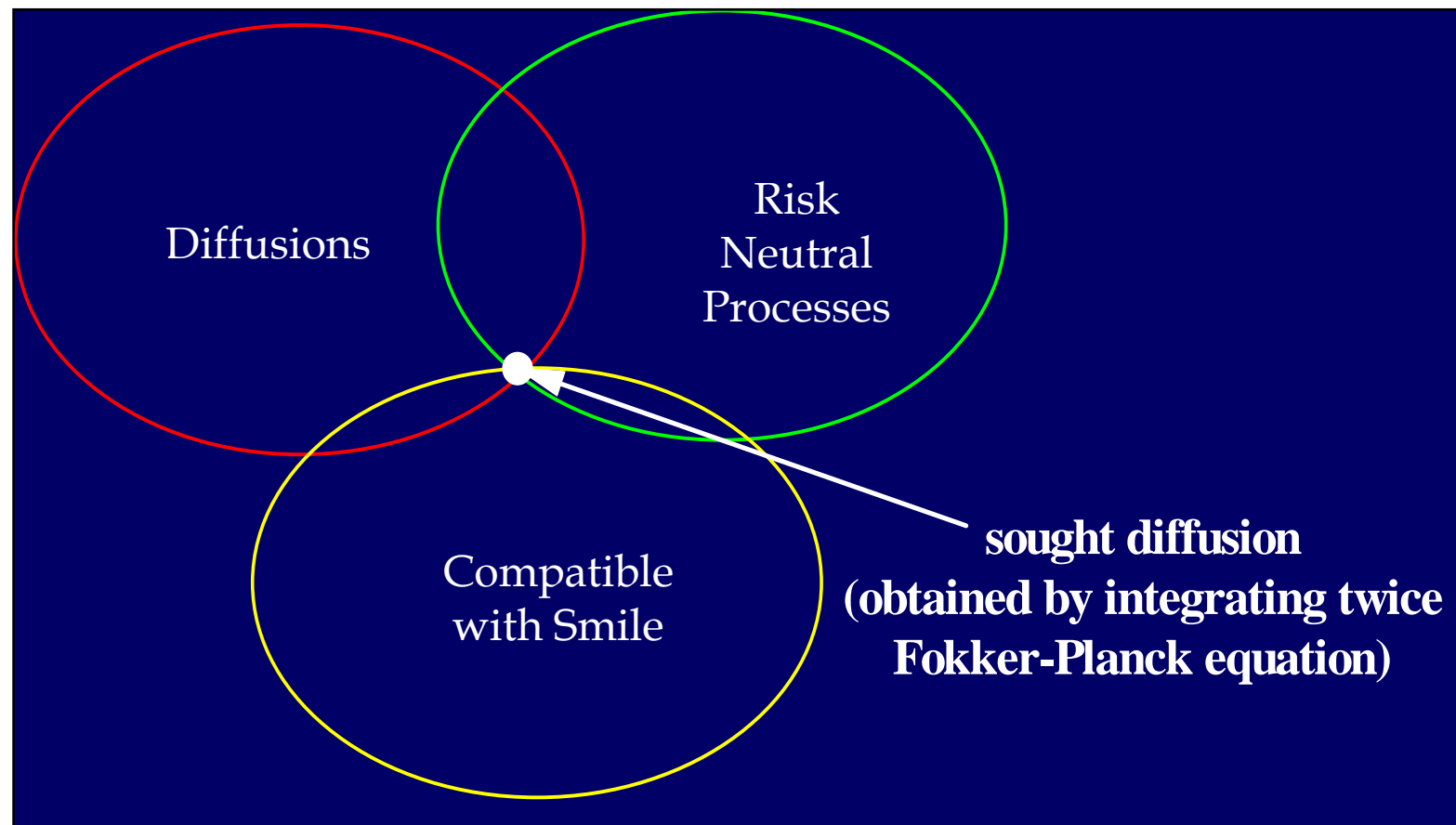
$$dx = -\lambda x dt + \sigma dW_t$$



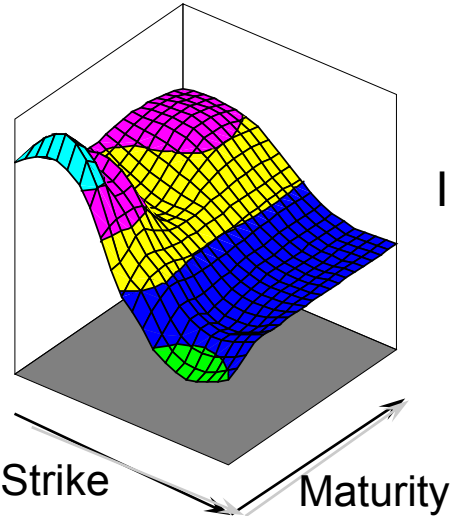
$$dx = b(t) dW_t$$

# The Risk-Neutral Solution

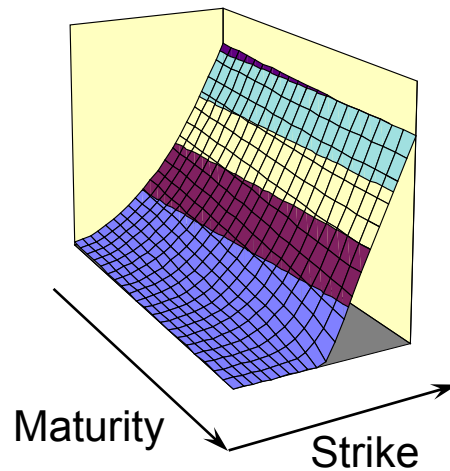
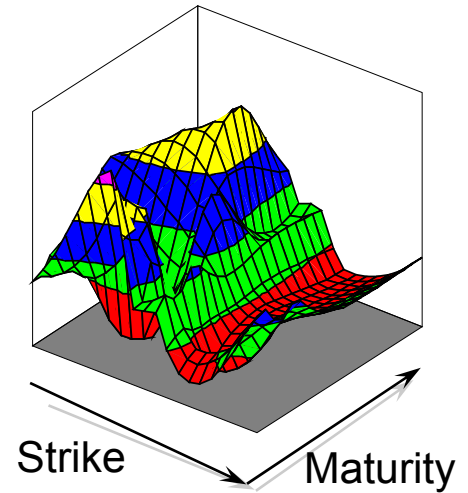
But if drift imposed (by risk-neutrality), uniqueness of the solution



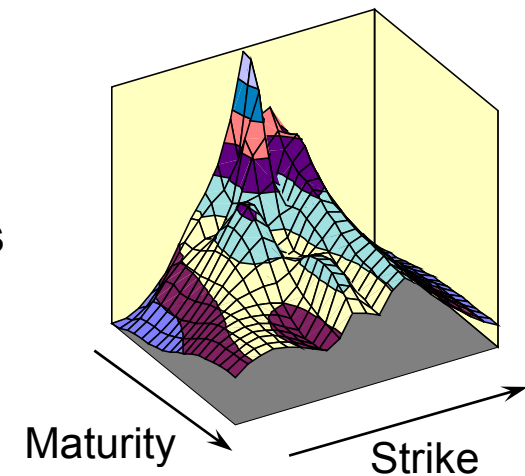
# Continuous Time Analysis



Implied Volatility → Local Volatility

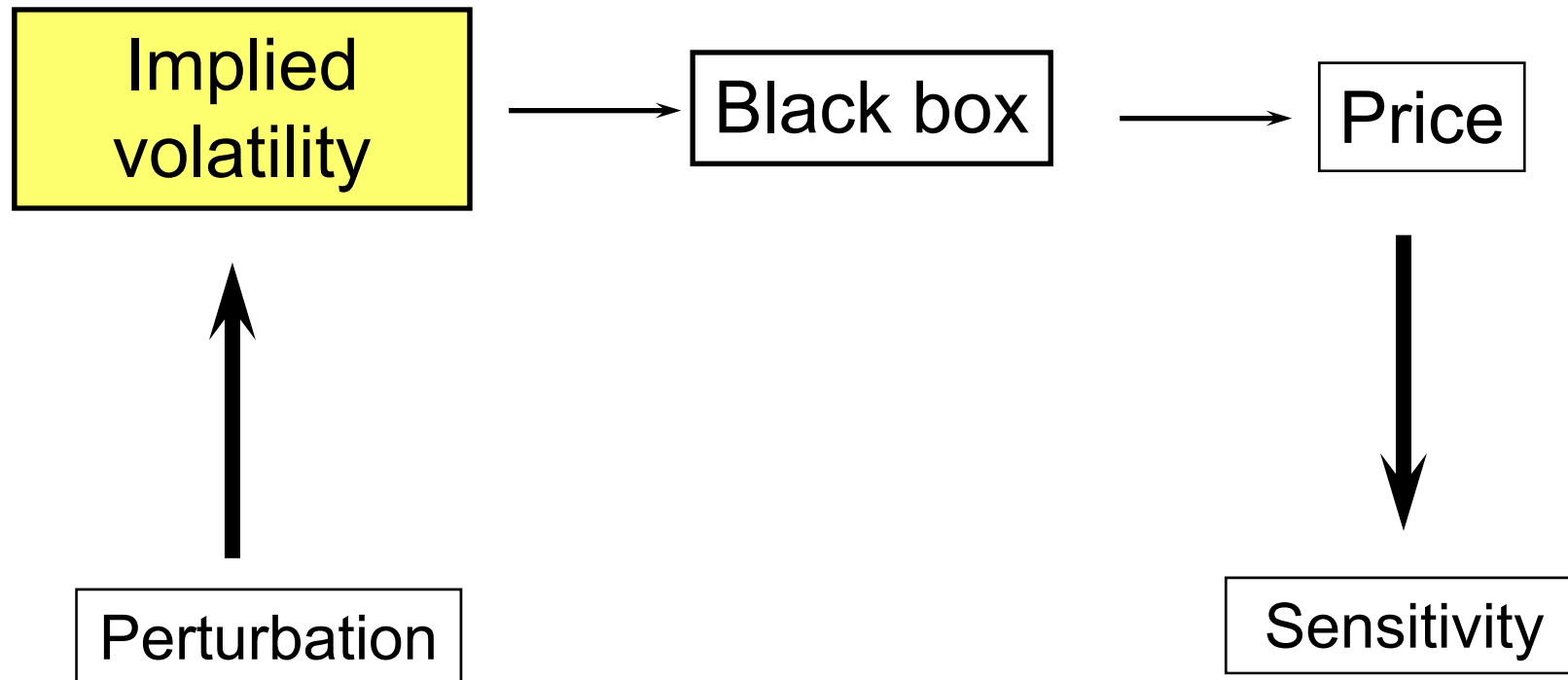


Call Prices → Densities





# Implication : risk management



# Forward Equations (1)

- BWD Equation:

price of one option  $C(K_0, T_0)$  for different  $(S, t)$

- FWD Equation:

price of all options  $C(K, T)$  for current  $(S_0, t_0)$

- Advantage of FWD equation:

- If local volatilities known, fast computation of implied volatility surface,
- If current implied volatility surface known, extraction of local volatilities,
- Understanding of forward volatilities and how to lock them.

# Forward Equations (2)

- Several ways to obtain them:
  - Fokker-Planck equation:
    - Integrate twice Kolmogorov Forward Equation
  - Tanaka formula:
    - Expectation of local time
  - Replication
    - Replication portfolio gives a much more financial insight

# Fokker-Planck

- Assume  $dx = b(x, t)dW$
- Fokker-Planck Equation: 
$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 (b^2 \varphi)}{\partial K^2}$$

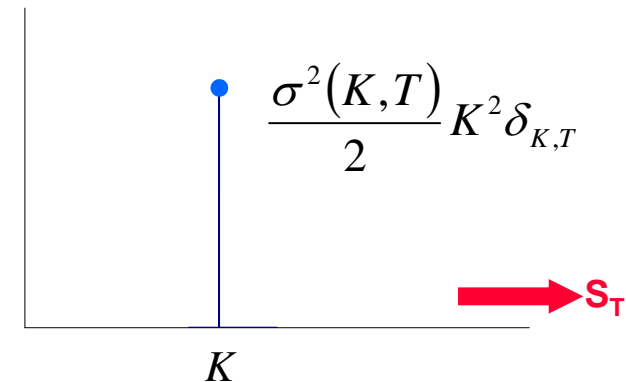
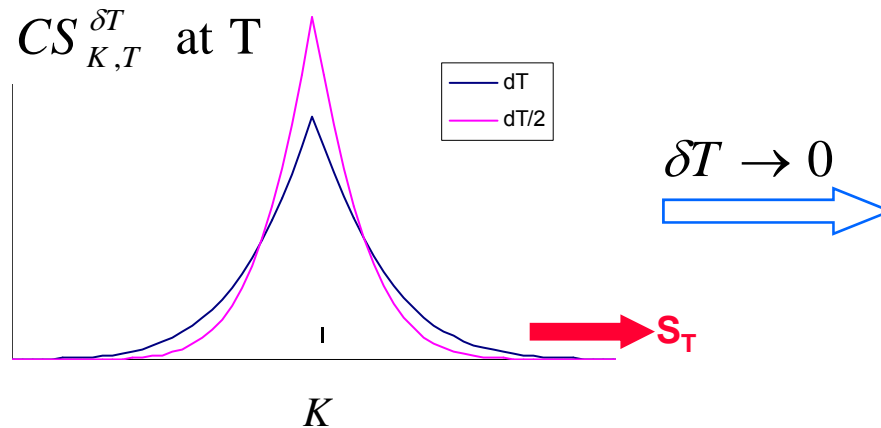
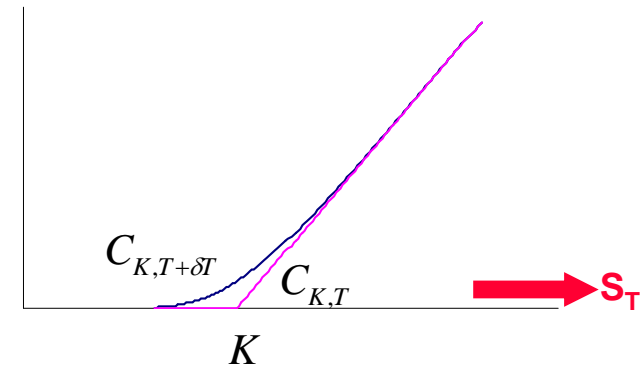
where  $\varphi(x, t; K, T)$  is the transition density

$$\text{As } \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \left( \frac{\partial C}{\partial T} \right)}{\partial K^2} = \frac{\partial \left( \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} \right)}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \left( b^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} \right)}{\partial K^2}$$

- Integrating twice w.r.t. K: 
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{b^2(K, T)}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}$$

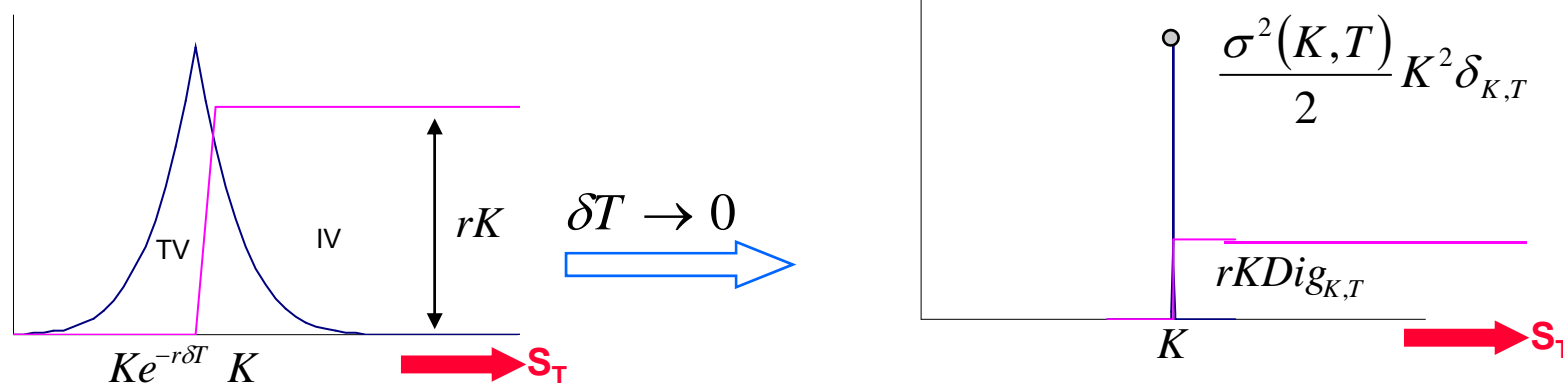
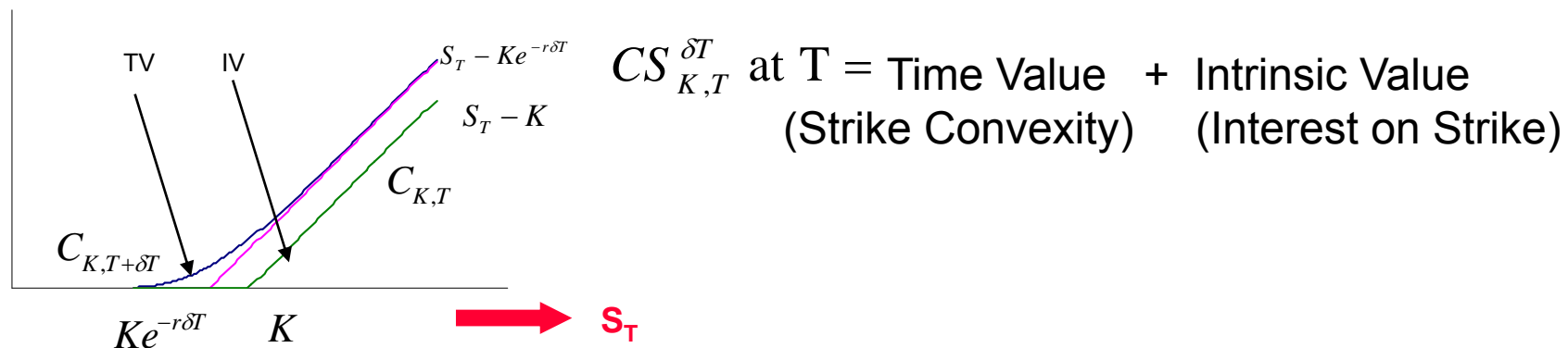
# FWD Equation: $dS/S = \sigma(S,t) dW$

Define  $CS_{K,T}^{\delta T} \equiv \frac{C_{K,T+\delta T} - C_{K,T}}{\delta T}$



Equating prices at  $t_0$ : 
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{\sigma^2(K,T)}{2} K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}$$

# FWD Equation: $dS/S = r dt + \sigma(S,t) dW$



Equating prices at  $t_0$ :

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{\sigma^2(K,T)}{2} K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} - rK \frac{\partial C}{\partial K}$$

$$\text{FWD Equation: } dS/S = r_t dt + \sigma_t dW$$

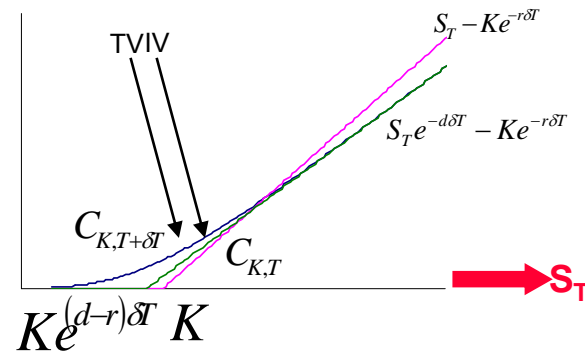
- The limit of Calendar Spreads gives at T :

$$\frac{1}{2} \sigma_T^2 K^2 \delta_{K,T} + r_T K \text{Dig}_{K,T}$$

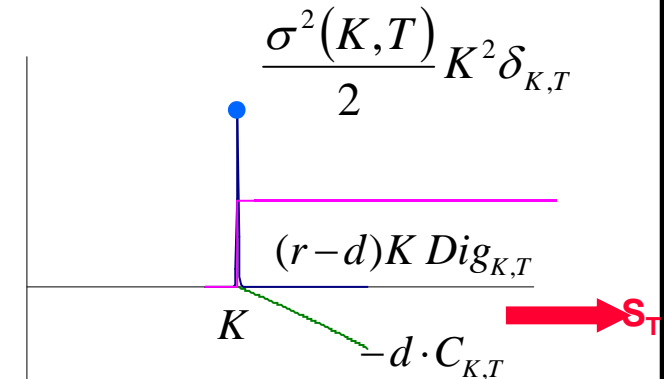
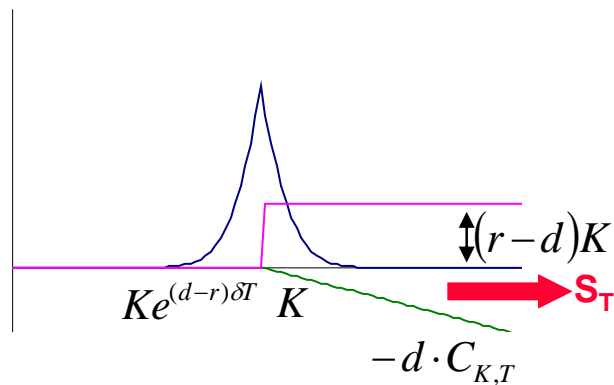
- Equating prices at  $t_0$  :

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{K^2}{2} E[\sigma_T^2 | S_T = K] \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} - K E[r_T | S_T > K] \frac{\partial C}{\partial K}$$

# FWD Equation: $dS/S = (r-d) dt + \sigma(S,t) dW$



$CS_{K,T}^{\delta T}$  at  $T =$  TV + Interests on  $K$   
– Dividends on  $S$



Equating prices at  $t_0$ :

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{\sigma^2(K,T)}{2} K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} - (r-d)K \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} - d \cdot C$$



# Stripping Formula

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} = \frac{\sigma^2(K, T) K^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2} - (r - d) K \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} - d \cdot C$$

- If  $\sigma(K, T)$  known, quick computation of all  $C_{K, T}(S_0, t_0)$  today,
- If all  $C_{K, T}(S_0, t_0)$  known:

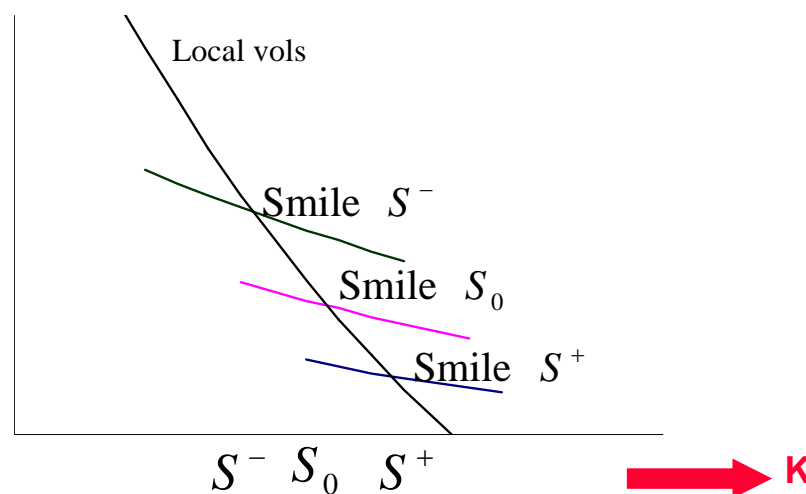
$$\sigma(K, T) = \sqrt{\frac{2 \frac{\partial C}{\partial T} + (r - d) K \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} + dC}{K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}}}$$

Local volatilities extracted from vanilla prices and used to price exotics.

# Smile dynamics: Local Vol Model (1)

- Consider, for one maturity, the smiles associated to 3 initial spot values

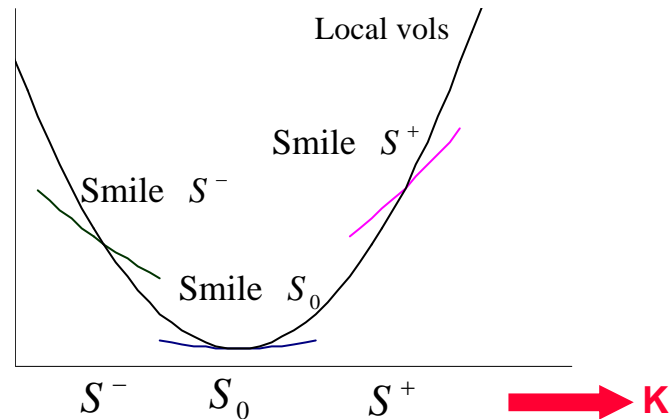
Skew case



- ATM short term implied follows the local vols
- Similar skews

# Smile dynamics: Local Vol Model (2)

- Pure Smile case



- ATM short term implied follows the local vols
- Skew can change sign

# Summary of LVM Properties

$\Sigma_0$  is the initial volatility surface

- $\sigma(S,t)$  compatible with  $\Sigma_0 \Leftrightarrow \sigma = \text{local vol}$
- $\sigma(\omega)$  compatible with  $\Sigma_0 \Leftrightarrow E[\sigma_T^2 | S_T = K] = \sigma_{local}^2(K, T)$
- $\hat{\sigma}_{K,T}$  deterministic function of  $(S,t)$ , no jumps  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  future smile = FWD smile from local vol

# LVM Implementation

# LVM Implementation

First step: extract local vols from option prices

- Obtain smooth implied vols by inter/extrapolation and strip them into local vols, or
- Fit a model and strip it into local vols, or
- Parameterize local vols and find best fit to market prices.

Second step: use of local vols for pricing.

According to the products:

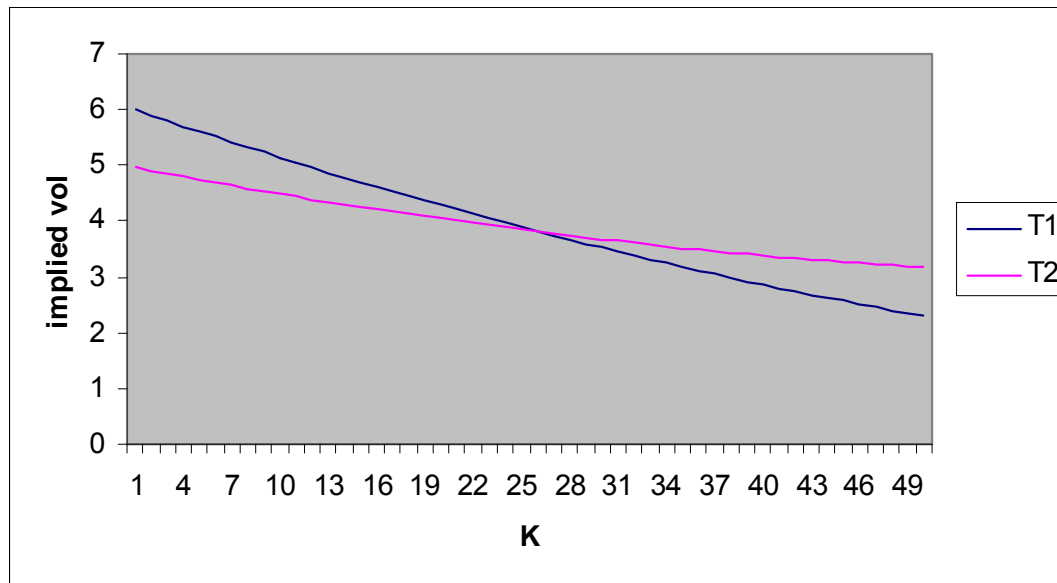
- Finite differences
- Monte Carlo simulations

# Obtaining Local Volatilities

# Smooth Implied vols I

Simple method:

- Cubic spline interpolation in Strikes & Maturities of BS vols
- May lead to arbitrage, for instance extrapolation in K for 2 maturities.



Inter/extrapolate carelessly  
from arbitrage free price may create arbitrage



# Roger Lee's Moments Formula

- Volatility extrapolation requires attention
- $K_1 < K_2 \Rightarrow C_{K_2}(\hat{\sigma}_{K_2}) \leq C_{K_1}(\hat{\sigma}_{K_1}) \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}$  cannot increase too fast
- Roger Lee's Moment Formula:

$$\limsup_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T \hat{\sigma}^2(K)}{\ln K} = \beta \in [0, 2] \text{ with } \frac{1}{2\beta} + \frac{\beta}{8} - \frac{1}{2} = \sup\{p : \mathbf{E} S_T^{1+p} < \infty\}$$

$\beta = 0 \Leftrightarrow$  every moment of  $S$  is finite

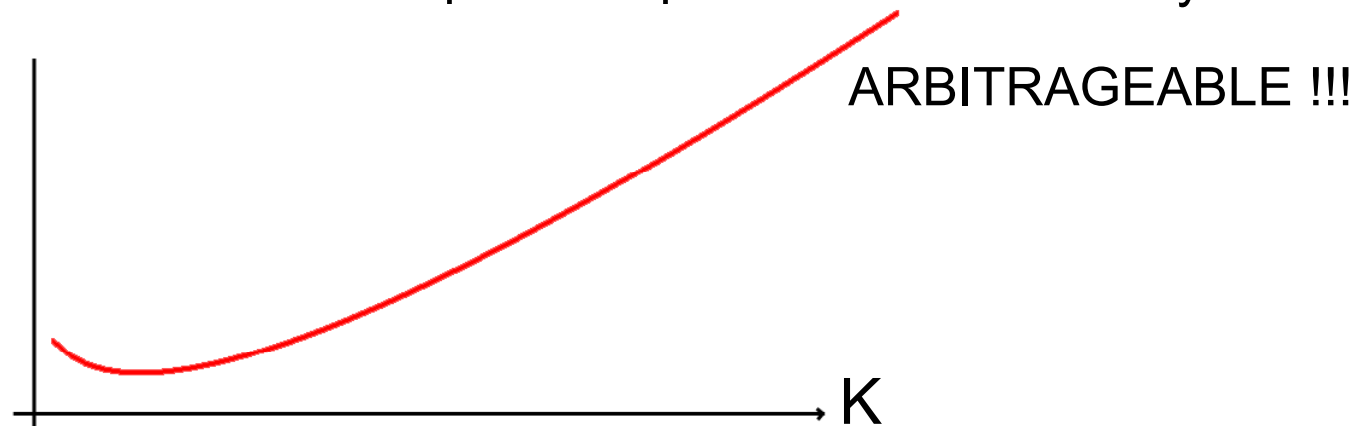
# Benaim-Friz Sharpening

- $f$  is the density of the returns  $X$
- If  $\ln f$  is regularly varying and  $\exists \varepsilon > 0 : \mathbf{E}[e^{(1+\varepsilon)X}] < \infty$  then

$$\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2(K)}{\ln K} \sim \Psi\left(-1 - \frac{\ln f}{\ln K}\right) \text{ where } \Psi(x) = 2 - 4\left(\sqrt{x^2 + x} - x\right)$$

$$\sim -\frac{\ln K}{2 \ln f(K)} \text{ if this tends to zero}$$

- In particular DO NOT extrapolate implied volatilities linearly!



# Implied vol extrapolation

In summary

- Do not extrapolate flatly
- Do not extrapolate linearly

Instead,

- Extrapolate implied variance expressed in log moneyness (e.g. hyperbolic SVI)

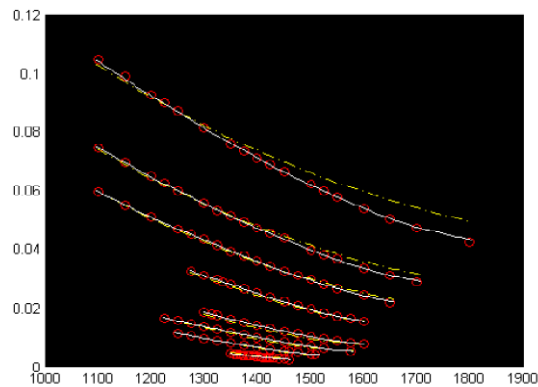
Fit to CDS (lump mass at 0) imposes the slope at 0

# Building a good implied vol surface

To ensure :

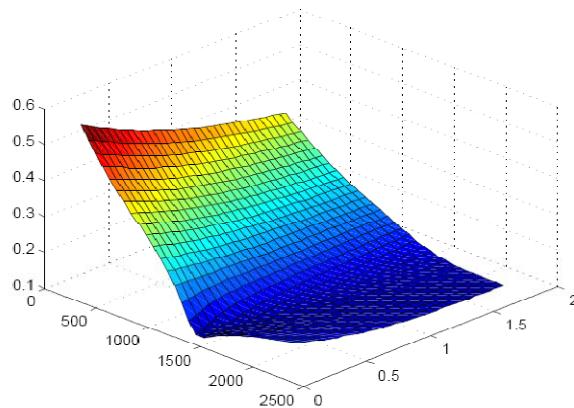
- Accurate fit
  - Smooth surface
  - No arbitrage
1. Calibrate to a good base model (Heston for instance)
  2.  $C^\infty$  non parametric strike interpolation of the residual (Market implied – Heston implied)
  3. Smooth maturity interpolation of the residual

# S&P 500 (May 9, 2008)

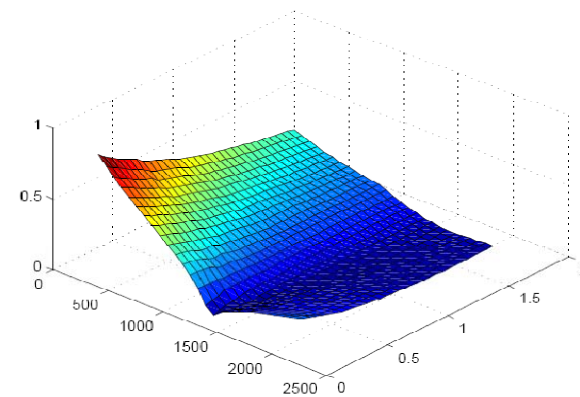


Implied variance for different maturities

- Bubbles : market
- Dashed line : Heston
- Solid line : Heston + residuals



Implied volatility



Local volatility

# Model fitting

- Models provide smooth and arbitrage free prices
- Calibrate a model to the market prices and convert the model prices/volatilities into local volatilities (best fit, not perfect fit)
- Examples:
  - mix of lognormals
  - Heston
  - slices of VG

# Implied Vols → Local Vols

The formula :

$$\sigma^2(K, T) = 2 \frac{\frac{\partial C}{\partial T} + rK \frac{\partial C}{\partial K}}{K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}}$$

Behaves badly far from the money

Better express as function of implied vol  $\hat{\sigma}$  :

$$\sigma^2(K, T) = \frac{2T\hat{\sigma} \frac{\partial \hat{\sigma}}{\partial T} + \hat{\sigma}^2}{\left(1 - x \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} \frac{\partial \hat{\sigma}}{\partial T}\right)^2 + T \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\sigma}}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{4} T^2 \hat{\sigma}^2 \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\sigma}}{\partial x^2}}$$

Where  $x \equiv \ln \frac{K}{FWD}$

# Parametric Local Vols

## Alternative approach

- Parameterize local vols over each maturity interval.
- For a set of parameters  $\theta$ 
  - Compute option price from the FWD PDE:  
 $C_i(\theta) \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_i(\theta)$
  - Compute quadratic error term  
 $Error(\theta) \equiv \sum w_i (\hat{\sigma}_i(\theta) - \hat{\sigma}_i)^2$
- Minimize  $Error(\theta)$  globally or by bootstrap from short maturities.



# Local volatility parametrization

- Global functional form (bad)
- Local in time and price (includes double cubic splines on a time/price grid)
- Maturity slices
  - a) time independent function of price between two maturity dates
  - b) function of price at maturity dates + time interpolation

# Calibration

- Bootstrap calibration solves maturity by maturity starting from the first one
- Global calibration solves a higher dimensional problem
- The error function is computed with the forward PDE. It should include regularization term in case of bootstrap
- Popular calibration algorithm is Levenberg-Marquardt

# Getting Local Vols

- Interpolation is suitable for Index options.
- Parametric form is better for individual stocks, notably to handle discrete dividends because of the arbitrage:

$$C_{K, T_D^-} = C_{K-D, T}$$

for a dividend D falling at time  $T_D$ .

- Other methods :
  - Entropy optimization
  - Tichonov regularization

# Pricing with Local Volatilities

# Numerical Techniques

- Barrier, American type options

Finite Difference applied to BWD PDE :

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = r \left( C - \frac{\partial C}{\partial S} \cdot S \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2(S, t)$$

- Path dependent options :

Monte Carlo simulation applied to SDE

$$dS_t = rSdt + \sigma(S, t)SdW_t$$

Second order Milstein scheme better than first order Euler scheme

# Finite differences

- Discretization of the PDE:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = r \left( C - \frac{\partial C}{\partial S} S \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2(S, t)$$

by implicit or Crank-Nicholson methods

In the presence of kinks, start with a few steps of implicit or analytical valuation

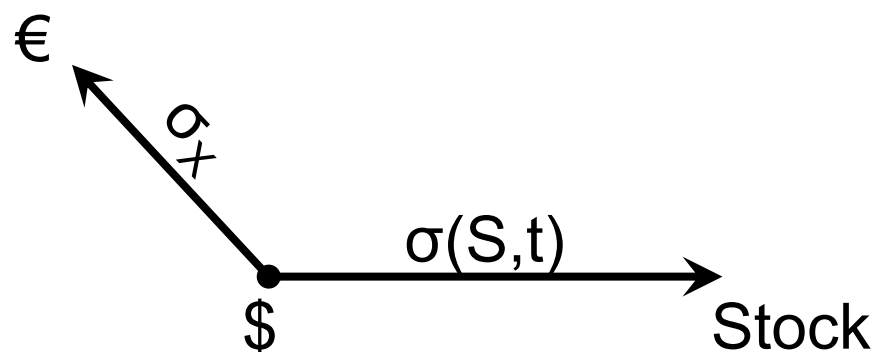
With high drift/volatility ratio: upwind or streamline diffusion schemes

# LVM Quanto

$S$ : Price of a stock in \$:  $\frac{dS}{S} = r_{\$}(t)dt + \sigma(S,t)dW_t$

$X$ : Price of a € in \$:  $\frac{dX}{X} = (r_{\text{€}}(t) - r_{\$}(t))dt + \sigma_X dZ_t$

Option quantoed in €:  $(S_T - K)_{\text{€}}^+$



# LVM Quanto

Price at  $t=0$  in € = 
$$e^{-\int_0^T r_{\text{€}}(t)dt} E^{Q_{\text{€}}} \left[ (S_T - K)^+ \right]$$

Dynamics of  $S$  under  $Q_{\text{€}}$ : Girsanov Theorem →

$$E^{Q_{\text{€}}} [dW] = \langle dW, \sigma_X dZ \rangle = \rho \sigma_X dt$$

$$\frac{dS}{S} = (r_{\$}(t) + \rho \sigma_X \sigma(S, t))dt + \sigma(S, t) dW^{\text{€}}$$

$W^{\text{€}}: Q_{\text{€}} \text{ BM}$

- Add covariance term in drift of  $S$
- Discount at € rate



# Stochastic Volatility Models

# Hull & White

- Stochastic volatility model **Hull&White (87)**

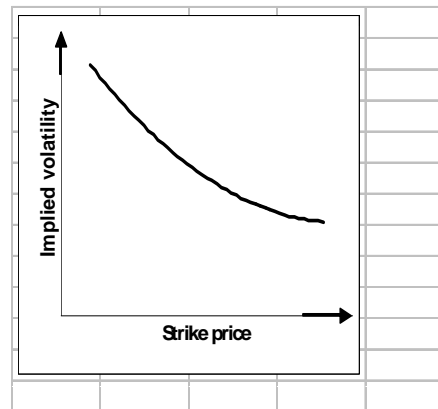
$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r dt + \sigma_t dW_t^P$$

$$d\sigma_t = \alpha dt + \beta dZ_t^P$$

- Incomplete model, depends on risk premium
- Does not fit market smile



$\rho_{Z,W} = 0$



$\rho_{Z,W} < 0$

# Heston Model

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sqrt{v} dW \\ dv = \kappa(v_{\infty} - v)dt + \eta\sqrt{v}dZ \quad \langle dW, dZ \rangle = \rho dt \end{cases}$$

Solved by Fourier transform:

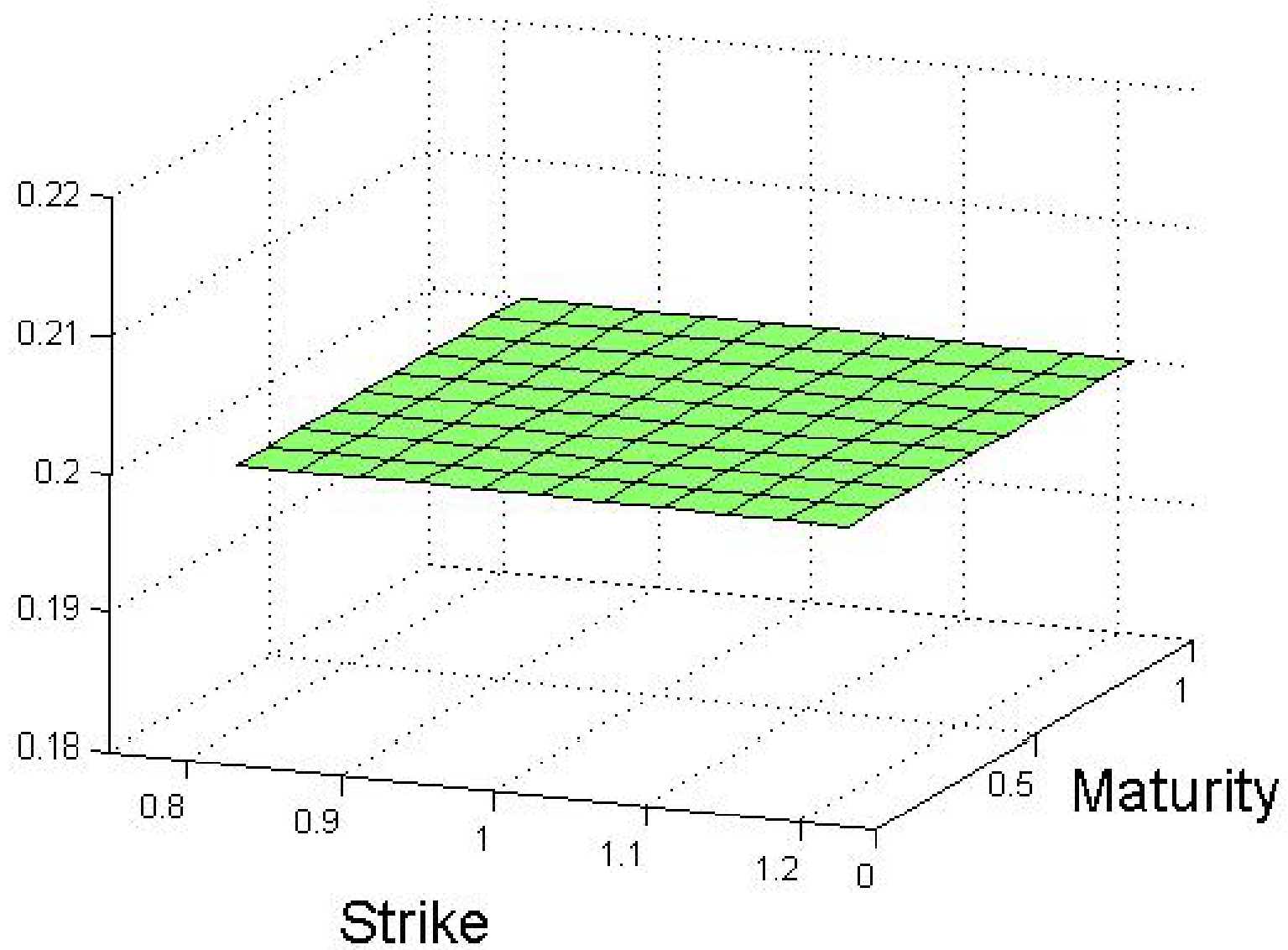
$$x \equiv \ln \frac{FWD}{K} \quad \tau = T - t$$

$$C_{K,T}(x, v, \tau) = e^x P_1(x, v, \tau) - P_0(x, v, \tau)$$

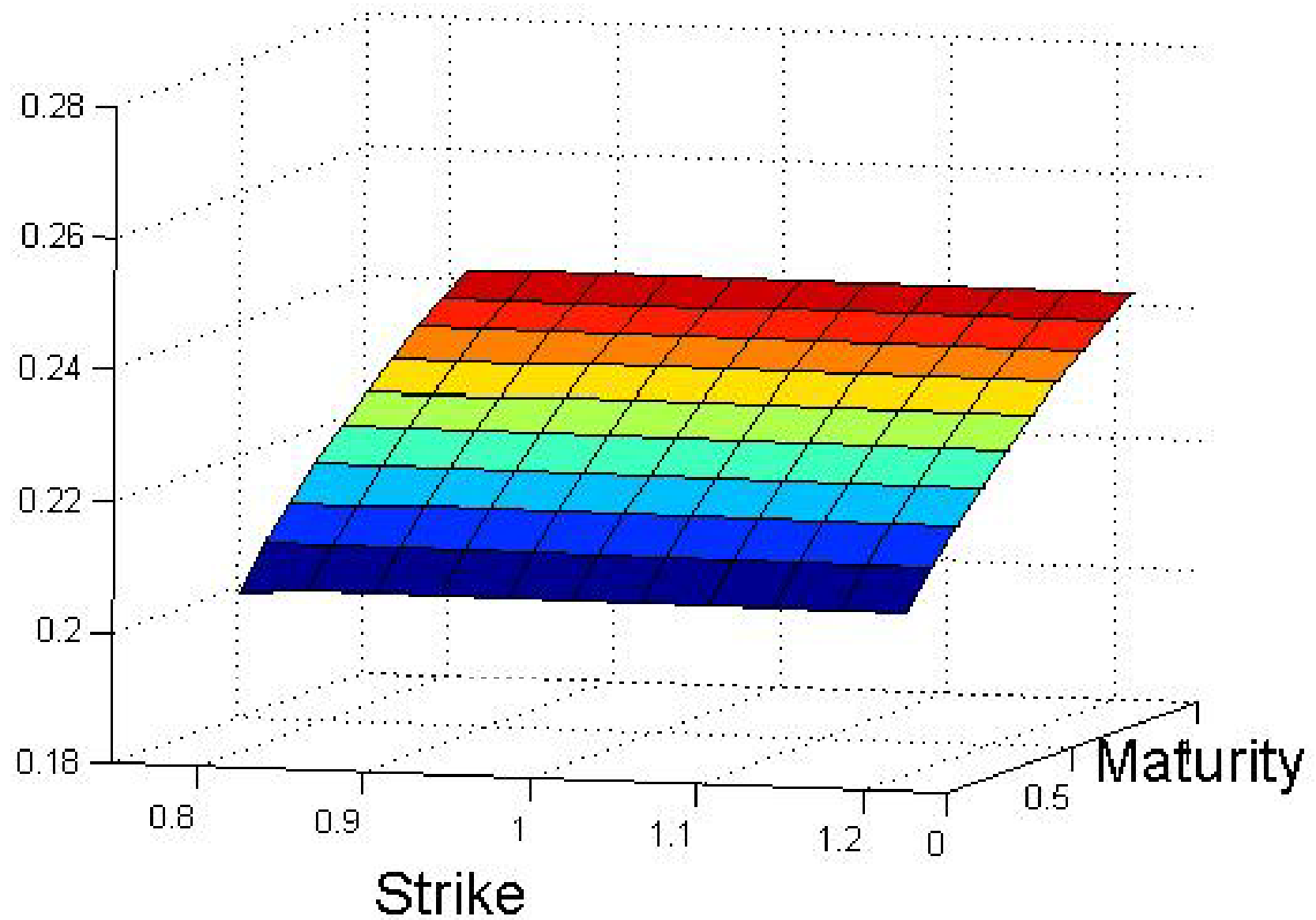
# Role of parameters

- Correlation gives the short term skew
- Mean reversion level determines the long term value of volatility
- Mean reversion strength
  - Determine the term structure of volatility
  - Dampens the skew for longer maturities
- Volvol gives convexity to implied vol
- Functional dependency on  $S$  has a similar effect to correlation

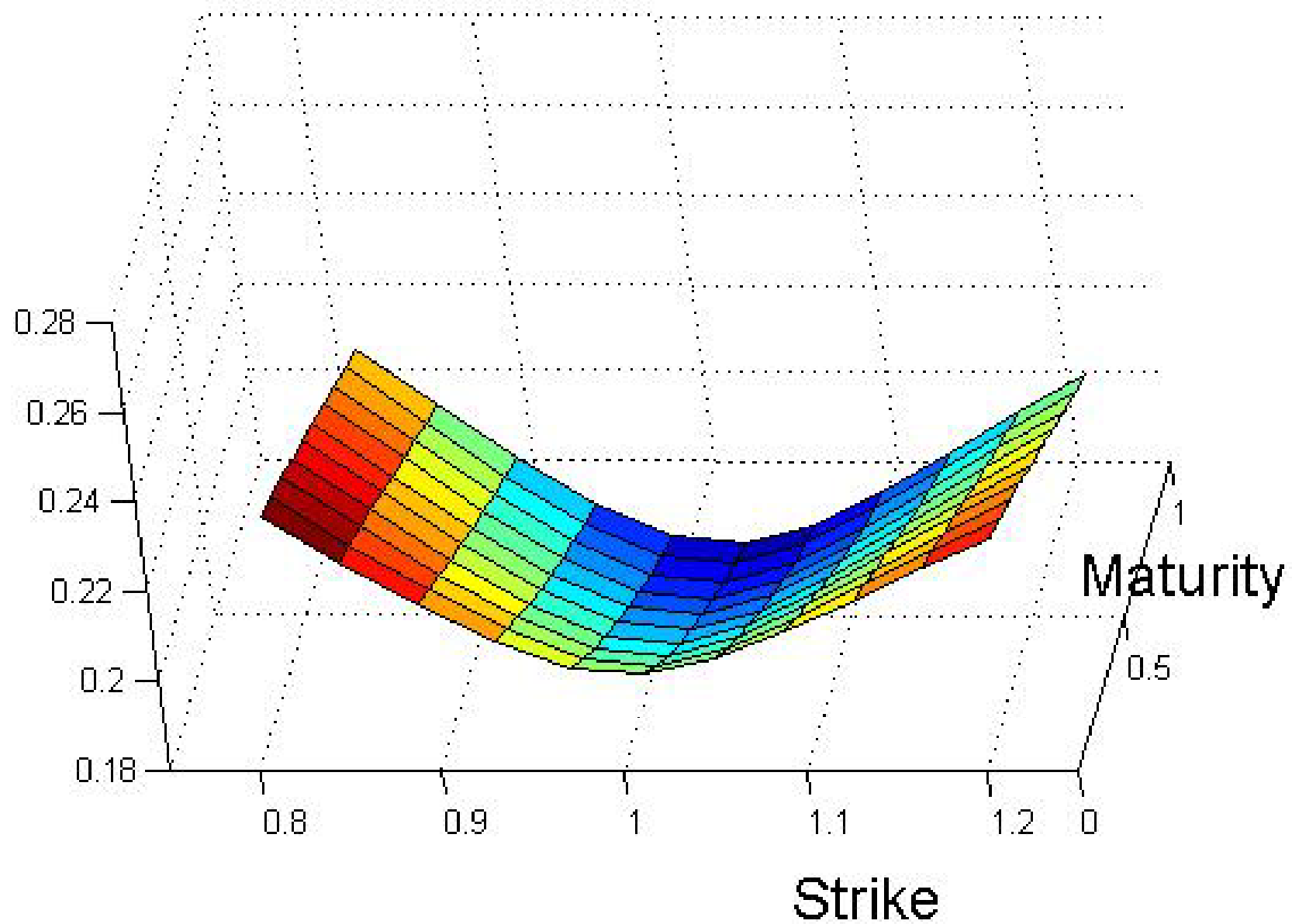
# Black-Scholes



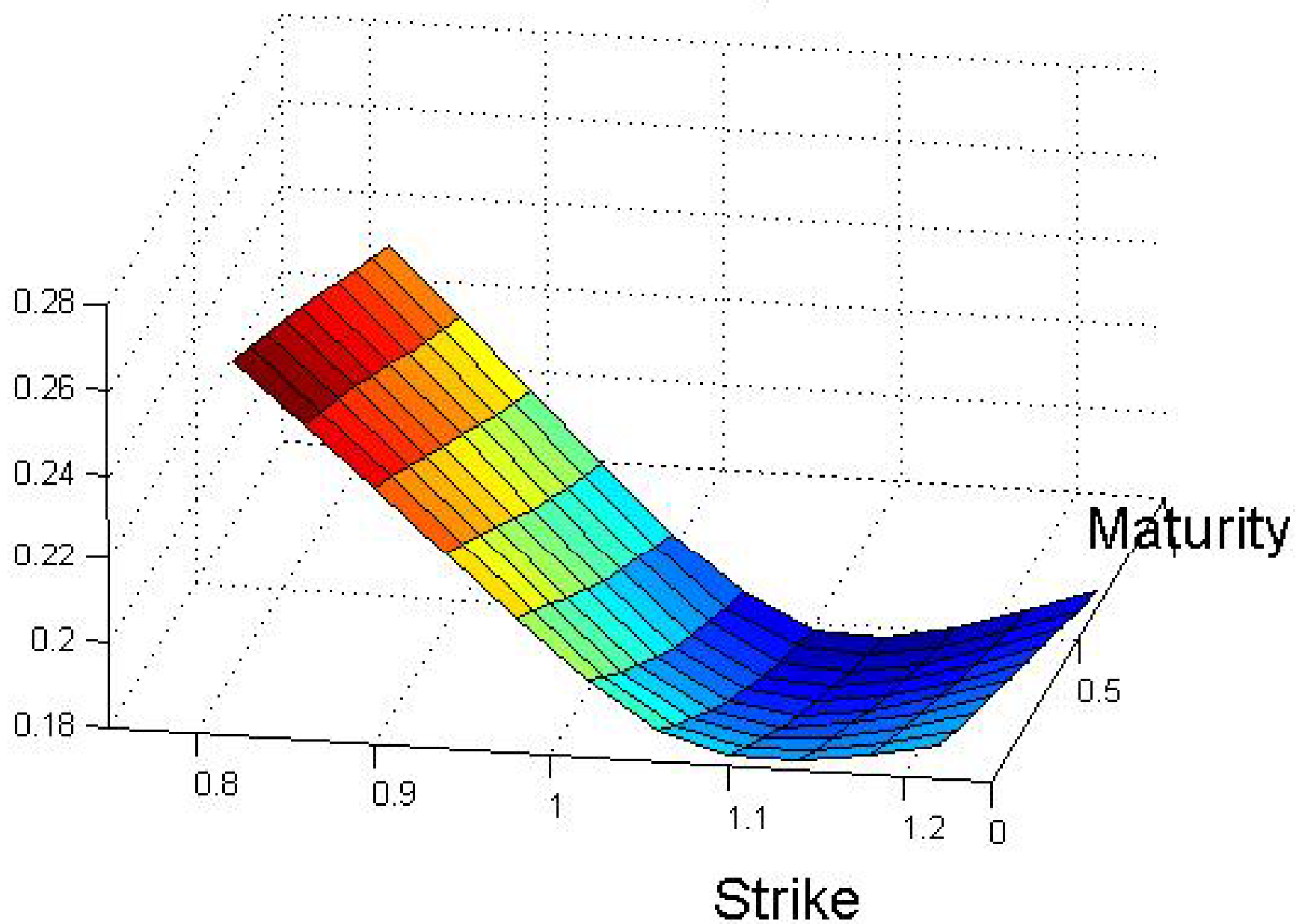
# Impact of $\sigma_{\infty}$



# Impact of volvol

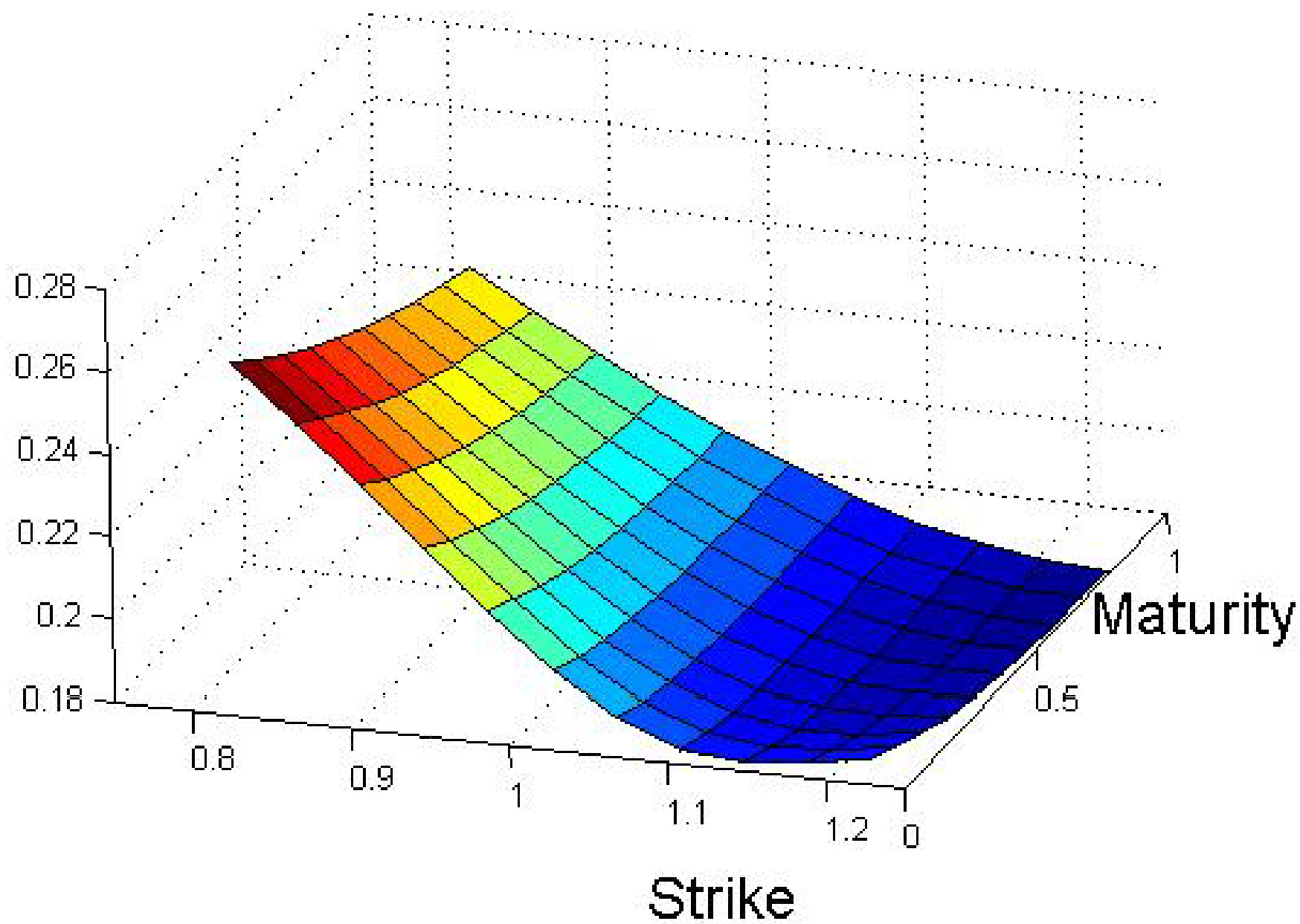


# Impact of $\rho$





# Impact of $\kappa$

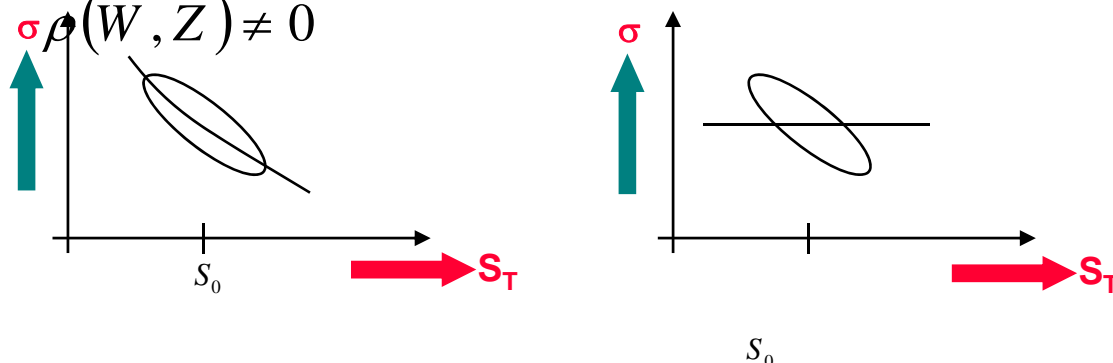


# Spot dependency

2 ways to generate skew in a stochastic vol model

1)  $\sigma_t = x_t f(S, t), \rho(W, Z) = 0$

2)  $\sigma \rho(W, Z) \neq 0$



-Mostly equivalent: similar  $(S_t, \sigma_t)$  patterns, similar future evolutions

-1) more flexible (and arbitrary!) than 2)

-For short horizons: stoch vol model  $\Leftrightarrow$  local vol model + independent noise on vol.

# SABR model

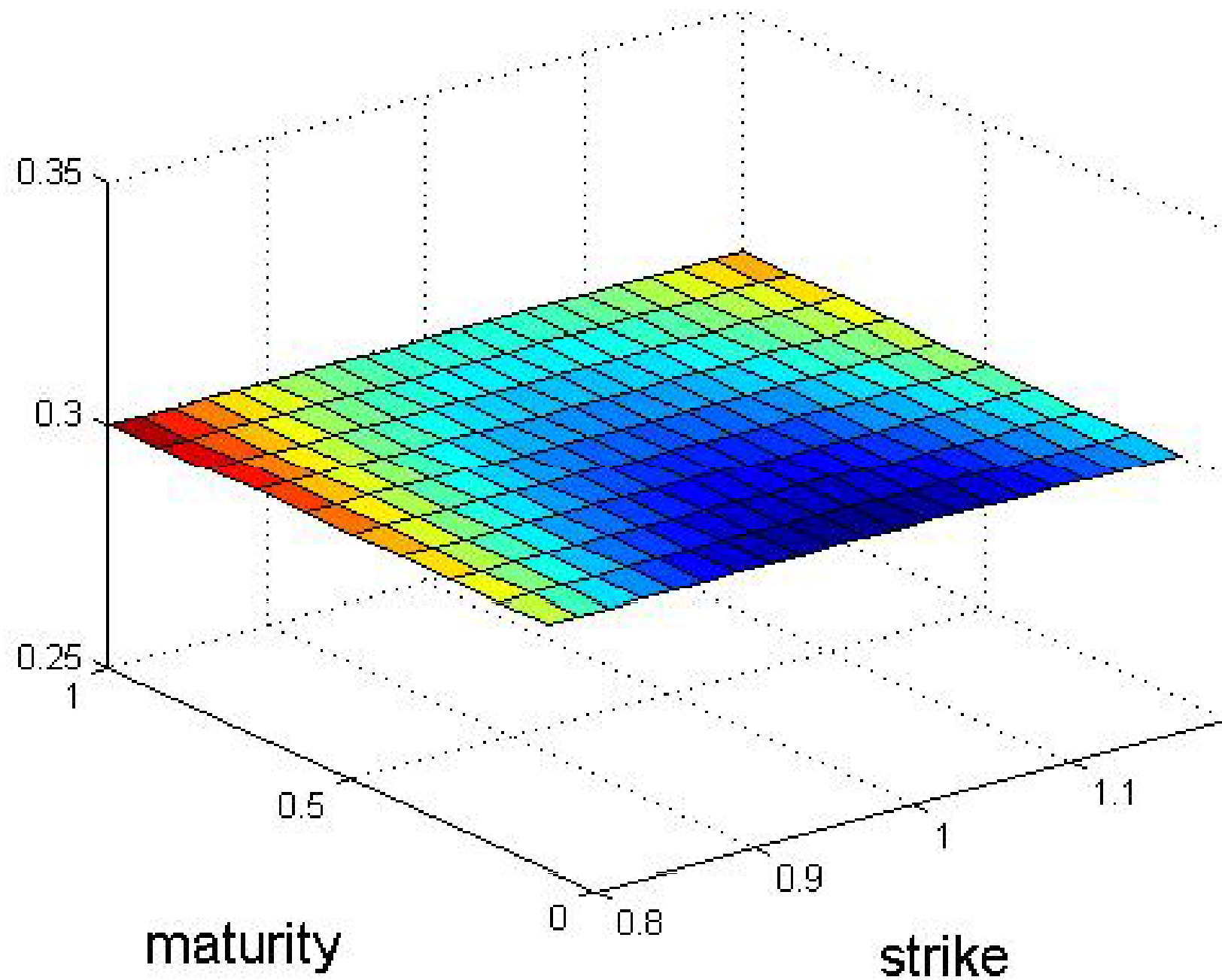
- F: Forward price

$$dF = F^{\beta} \sigma_t dW$$

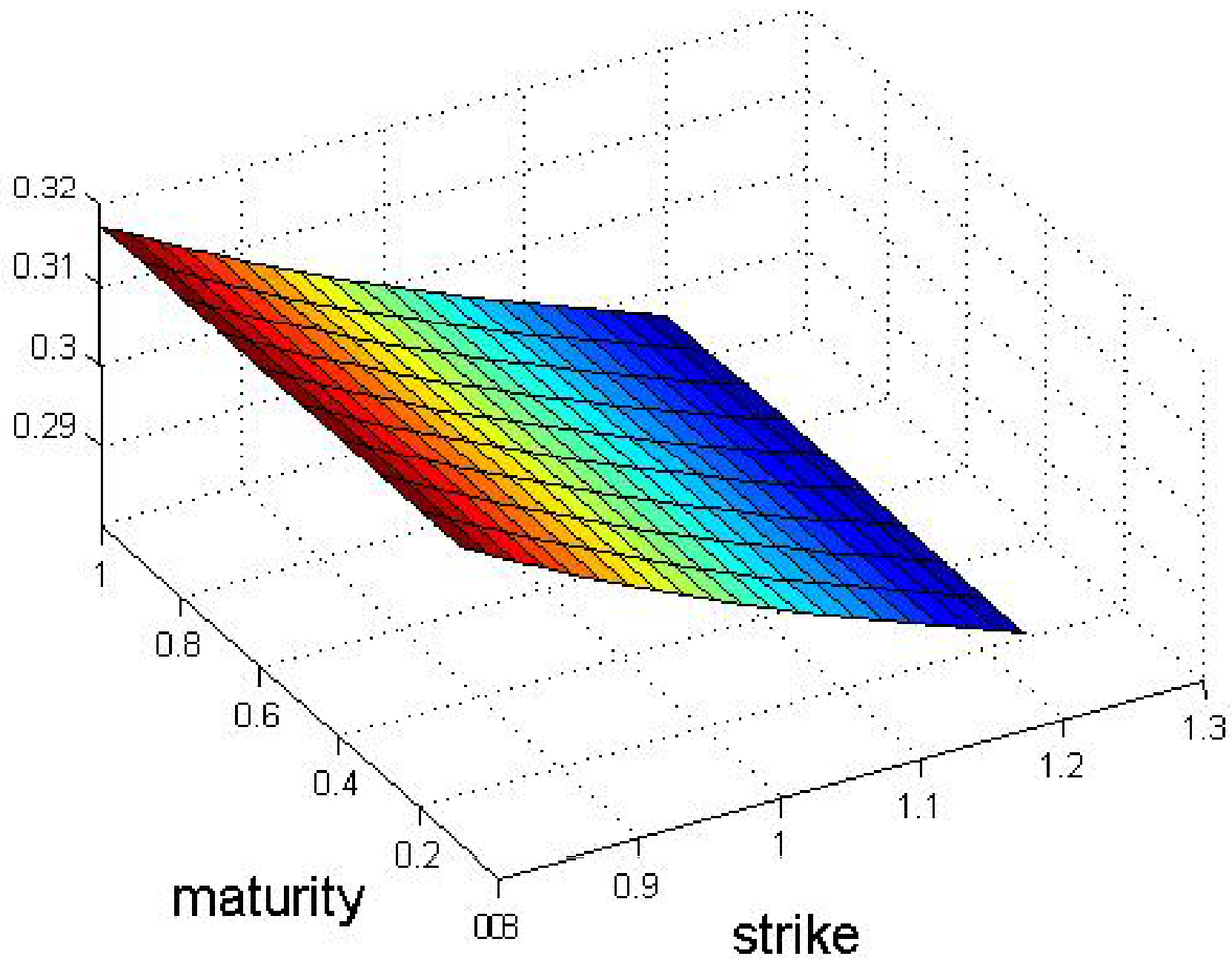
$$\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} = \alpha dZ$$

- With correlation  $\rho$

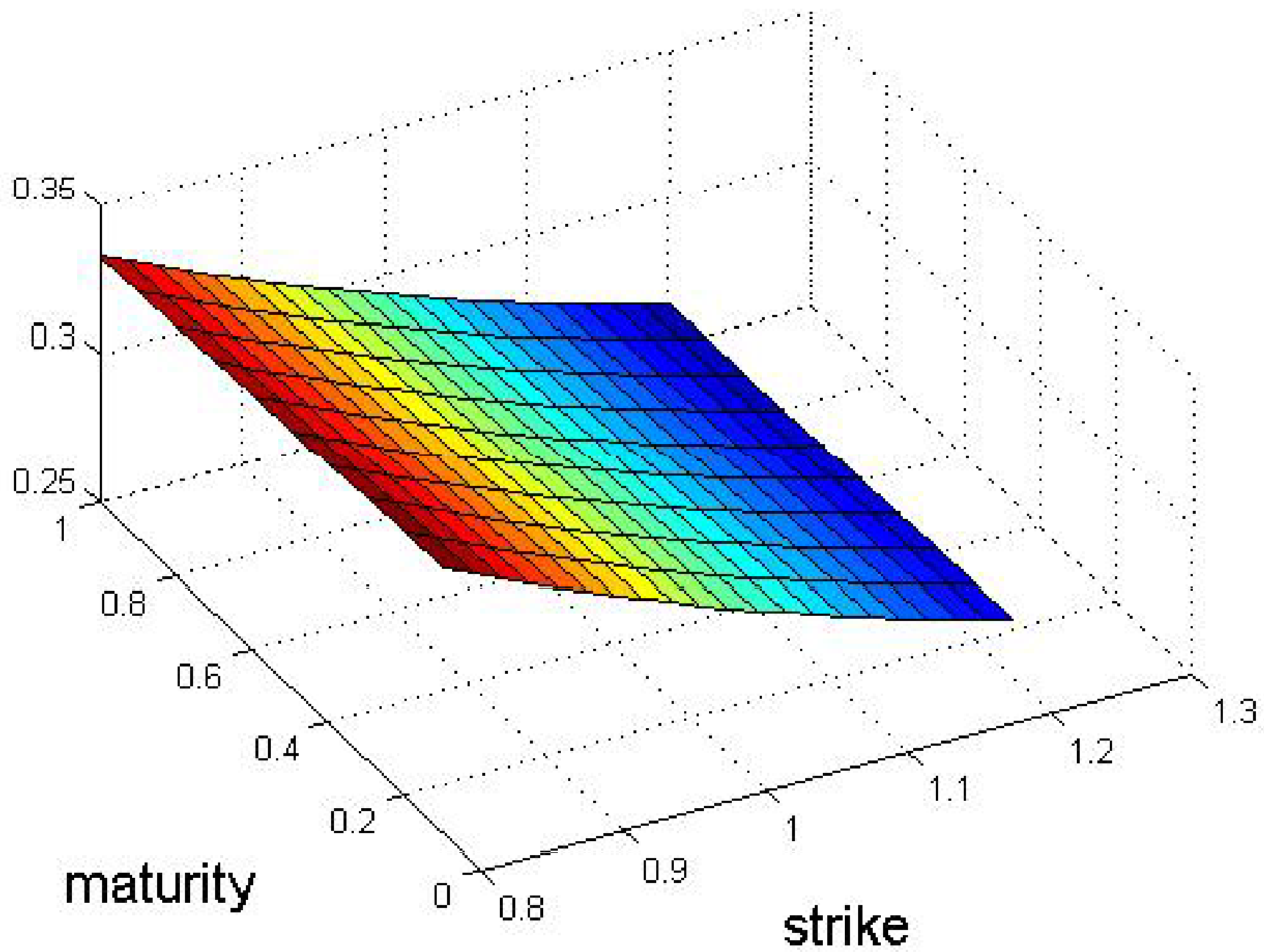
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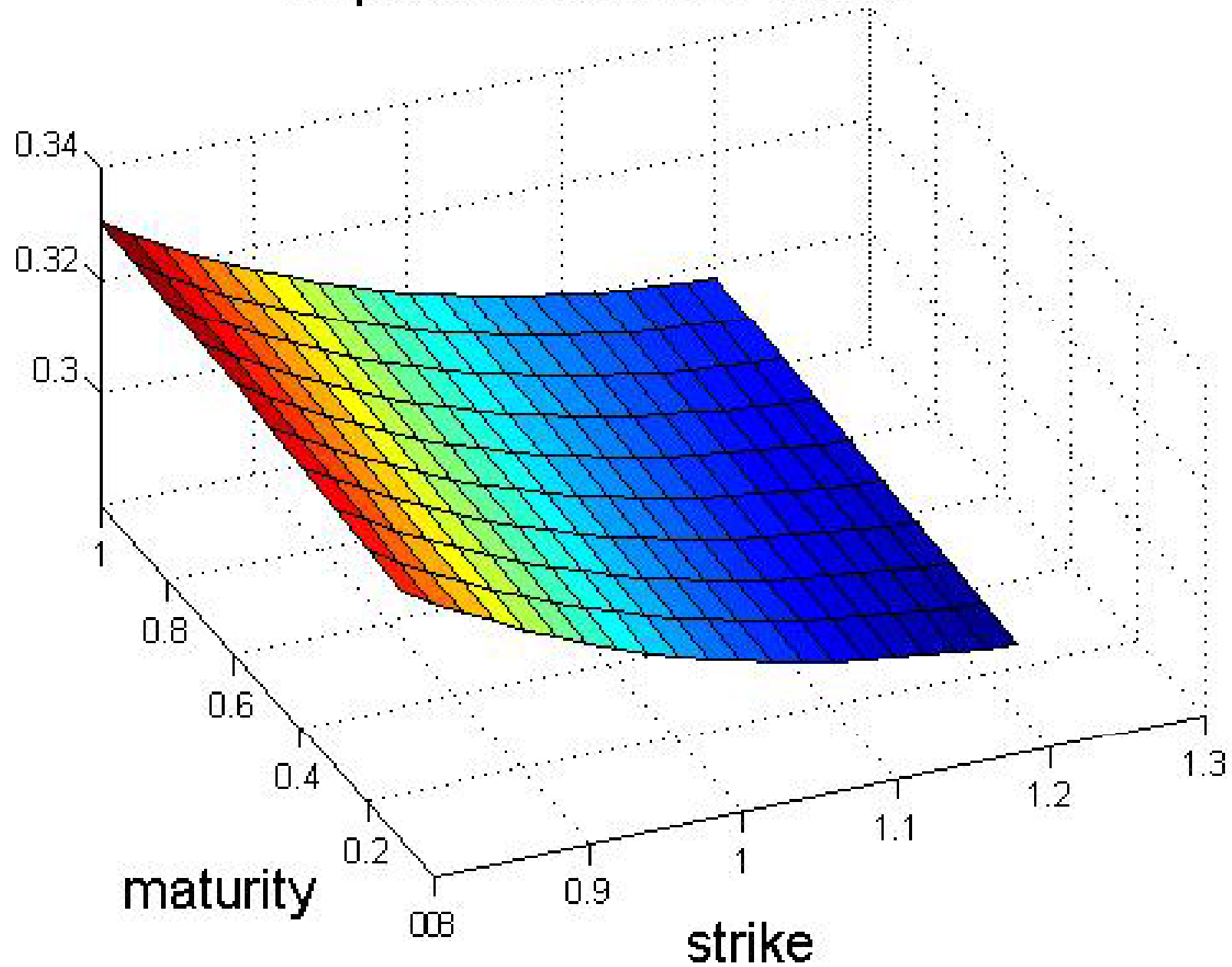
## Impact of beta



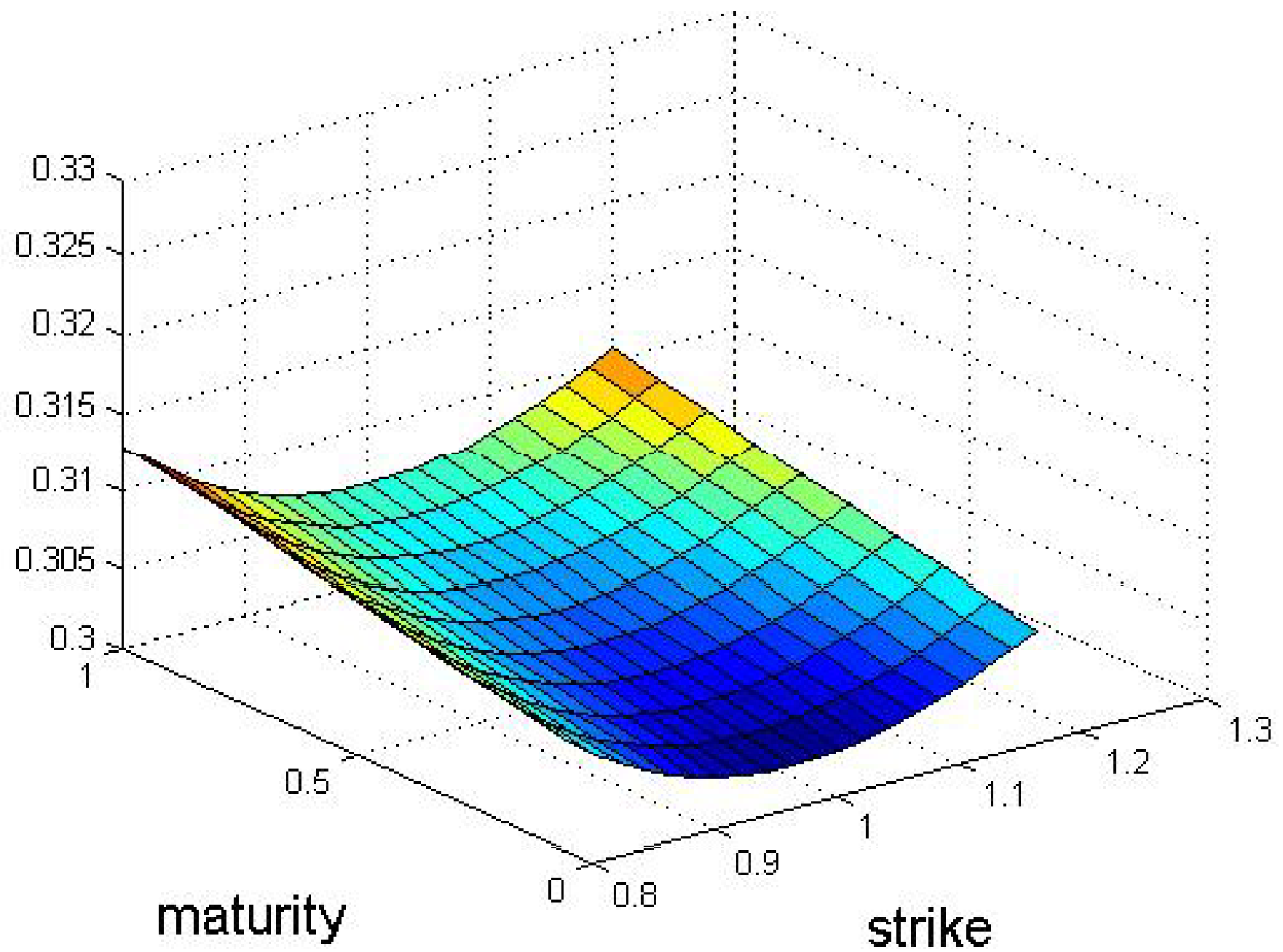
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## Impact of beta and volvol



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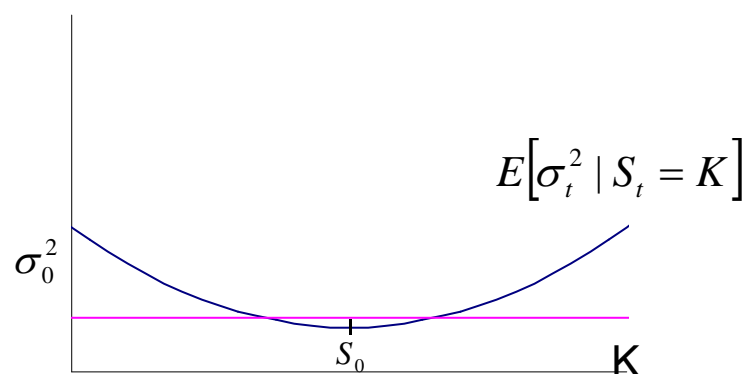




# Convexity Bias

$$\begin{cases} dS = \sigma_t dW \\ d\sigma_t^2 = \alpha dZ \\ \rho(W, Z) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow E[\sigma_t^2 | S_t = K] = \sigma_0^2 ?$$

NO! only  $E[\sigma_t^2] = \sigma_0^2$



$\sigma_t$  likely to be high if  $S_t \gg S_0$  or  $S_t \ll S_0$

# Impact on Models

- Risk Neutral drift for instantaneous forward variance

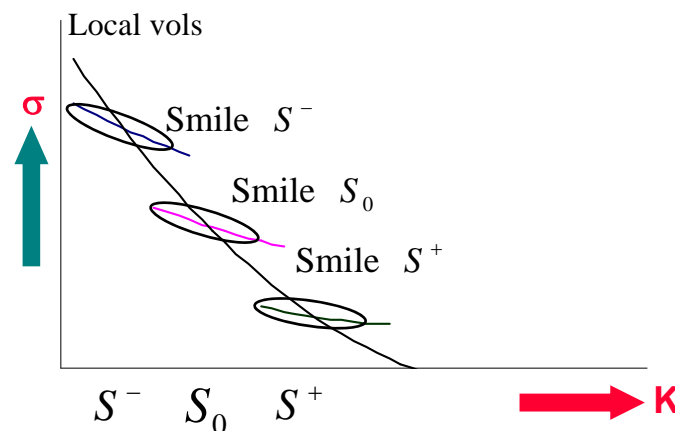
- Markov Model:

$$\frac{dS}{S} = f(S, t) \sigma_t dW \quad \text{fits initial smile with local vols } \sigma(S, t)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(S, t) = \frac{\sigma^2(S, t)}{E[\sigma_t^2 \mid S_t = S]}$$

# Smile dynamics: Stoch Vol Model (1)

Skew case ( $r < 0$ )



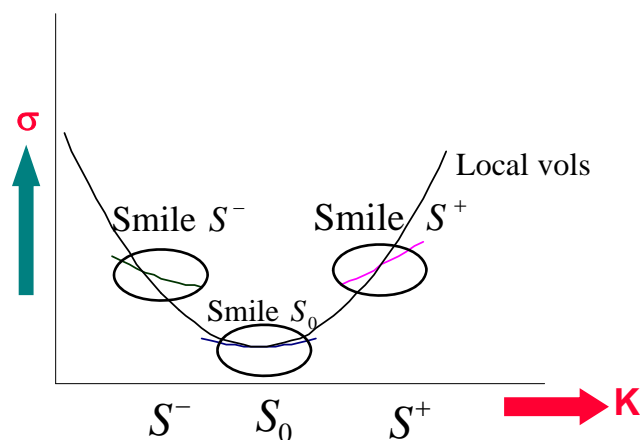
- ATM short term implied still follows the local vols

$$\left( E \left[ \sigma^2_T \middle| S_T = K \right] = \sigma^2(K, T) \right)$$

- Similar skews as local vol model for short horizons
- Common mistake when computing the smile for another spot: just change  $S_0$  forgetting the conditioning on  $\sigma$  :  
if  $S : S_0 \rightarrow S^+$  where is the new  $\sigma$  ?

# Smile dynamics: Stoch Vol Model (2)

- Pure smile case ( $r=0$ )



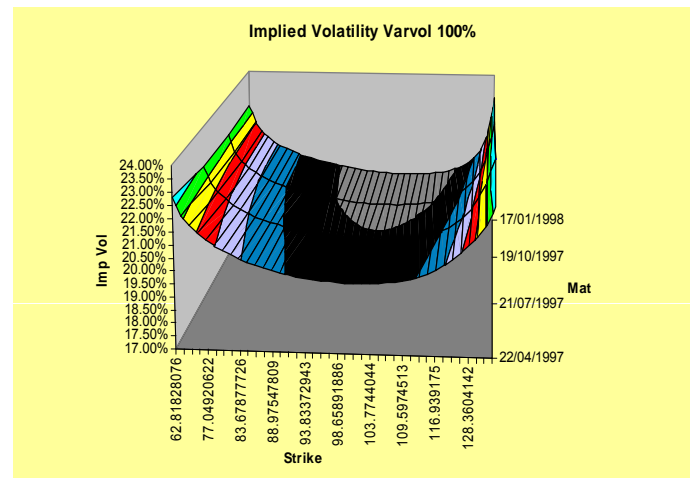
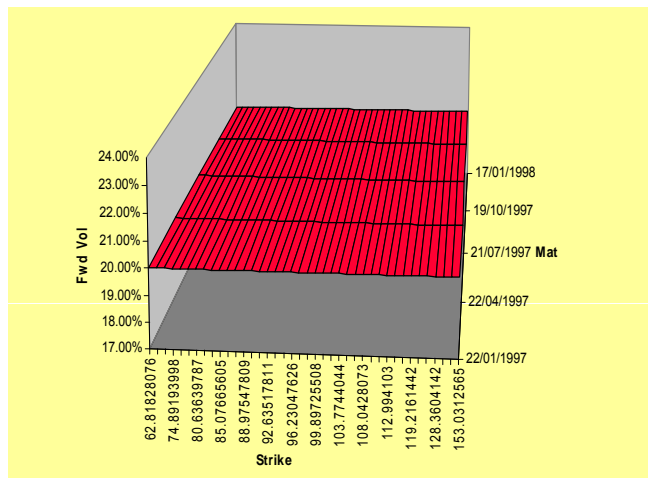
- ATM short term implied follows the local vols
- Future skews quite flat, different from local vol model
- Again, do not forget conditioning of vol by  $S$

# Naïve Markov Approach

- Let  $M$  be a  $Q$ -martingale, with  $M_0 = 1$
- Naïve approach  $v(S_t, t) = V_{S,t}(S_0, t_0)M_t$

Problem: this model generates a H&W type smile

Example: flat initial smile  $V_{K,T}(S_0, t_0) = V_0$



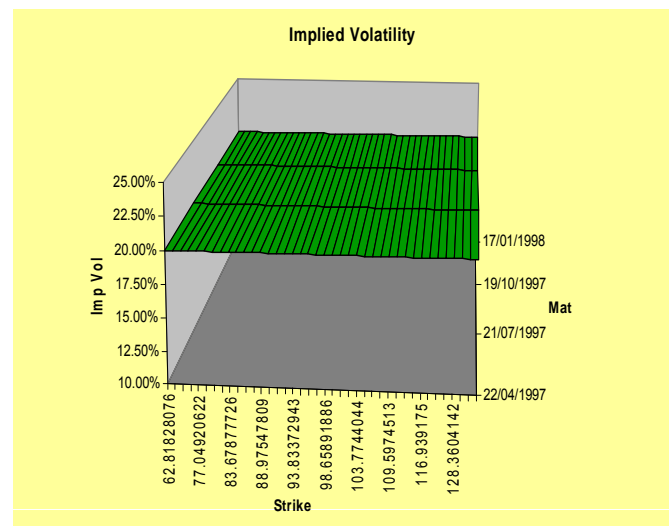
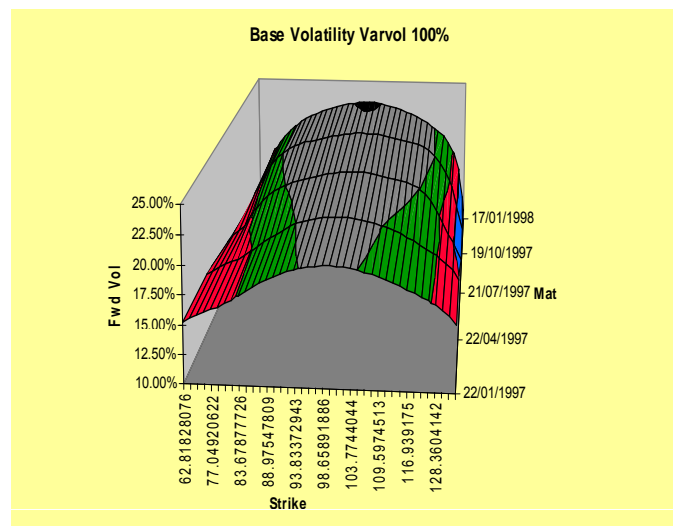
# Correct approach

- Cure: correct for change of numeraire bias

it must respect:  $E^{K,T}[v] = V_{K,T}$

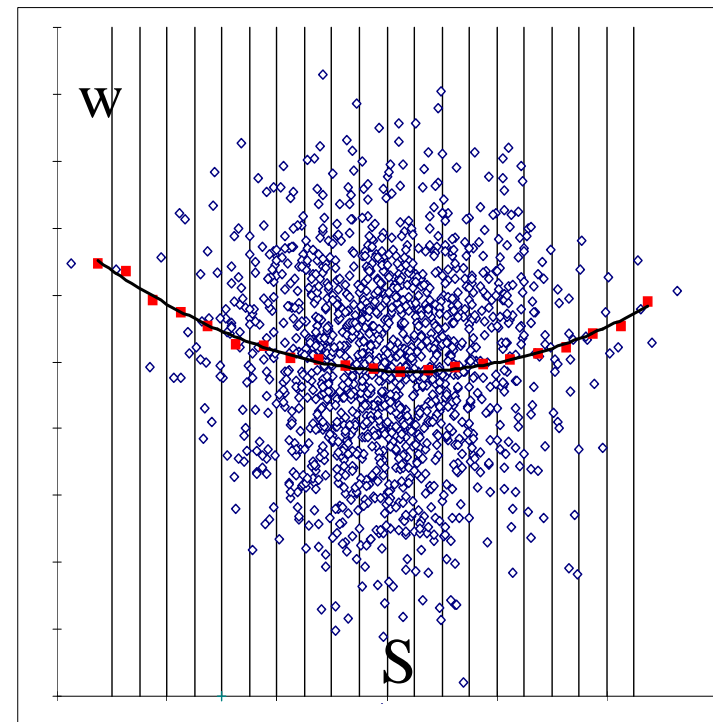
- Then we have:  $v(S,t) = V_{S,t}(S_0,t_0) \frac{M_t}{E^Q[M_t|S_t=S]} = f(S,t)M_t$

Example:  $M_t = \exp\left(-\frac{b^2}{2}t + bW_t\right)$



# Computation of conditional expectation

- Run  $N$  paths for  $(S, W)$  up to time  $t$
- Rank the  $N$  paths according to  $S$  values
- Group them in  $p$  buckets (similar values of  $S$  within the same buckets)
- Compute average of  $W$  on each bucket



# Fixed point methodology

$$V_{S_0,0}(S,t) \longrightarrow$$

Pricing of Europeans  
with previous model

$$\longrightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2(K,T)$$

As mentioned earlier,  $\hat{\sigma}^2(K,T) \neq \hat{\sigma}_{market}^2(K,T)$

$\gamma$  is to be chosen by the user. We decide to calibrate only the  $V_{S_0,0}(S,t)$  term, i.e.:

$$dS_t = \sqrt{v_{S,t}} dZ_t^Q \quad v_{S,t} = f(S,t) e^{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma^2 t + \gamma W_t}$$

$$f(S,t) ? \longrightarrow$$

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$$\longrightarrow \hat{\sigma}_{market}^2(K,T)$$

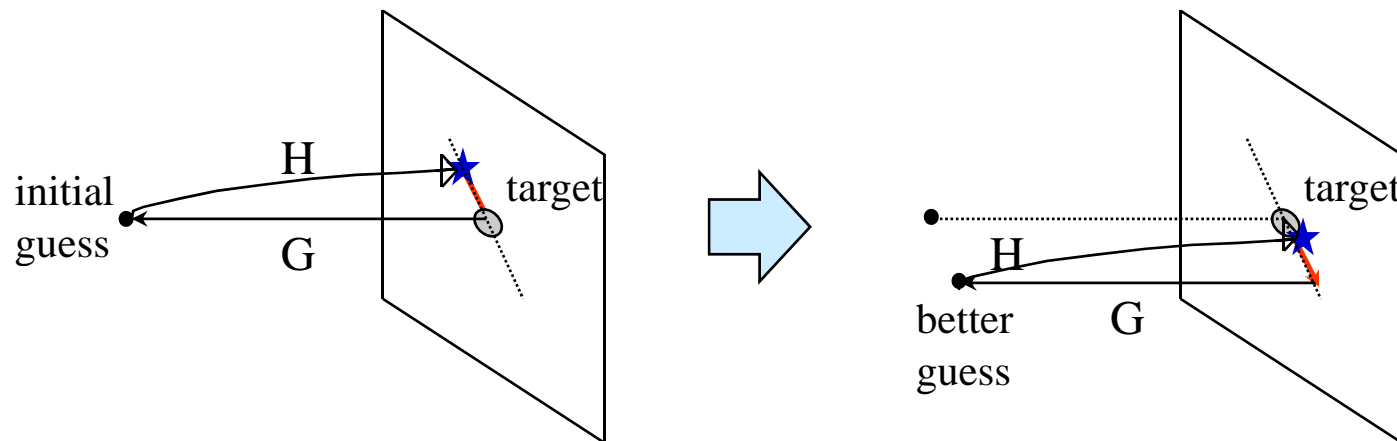


# Fixed point methodology (2)

$$f(S,t) ? \longrightarrow \boxed{\text{Pricing of europeans with this model}} \longrightarrow \hat{\sigma}_{\text{market}}^2(K,T)$$

In mathematical terms:  $\hat{\sigma}_{\text{market}}^2 = H(f)$  Question:  $H^{-1}(\hat{\sigma}_{\text{market}}^2)$ ?

We do not know  $H^{-1}$  but we know  
 $G = \text{Dupire's formula} \approx H^{-1}$



# Fixed point methodology (3)

Applying this principle, we build the following sequence:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\sigma}_n = H(f_n) \\ \text{modified target } \bar{\hat{\sigma}}_n = \hat{\sigma}_{market} - \lambda(\hat{\sigma}_n - \hat{\sigma}_{market}) \\ f_{n+1} = G(\bar{\hat{\sigma}}_n) \end{cases}$$

Under appropriate conditions (usually satisfied),

$$\hat{\sigma}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \hat{\sigma}_{market}$$

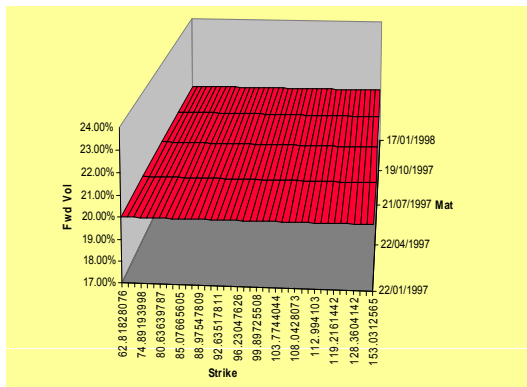
$$f_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \bar{f}$$

We finally price any security in the following model:

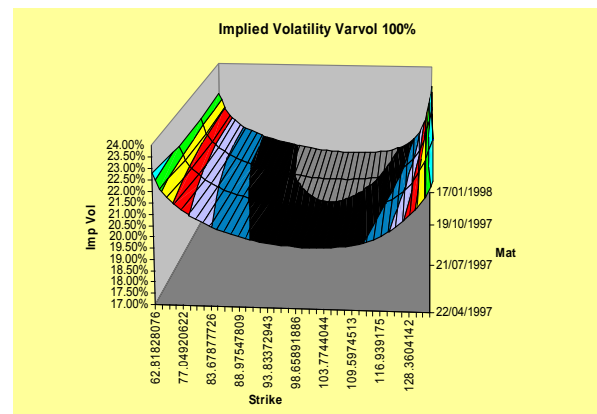
$$dS_t = \sqrt{v_{S,t}} dZ_t^Q \quad v_{S,t} = \bar{f}(S,t) e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta^2 t + \beta W_t}$$

# Fixed point results

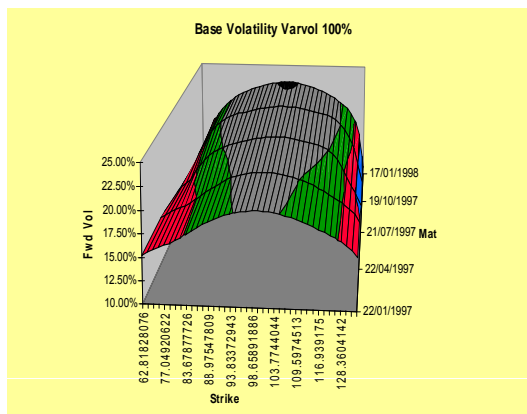
initial flat local vol



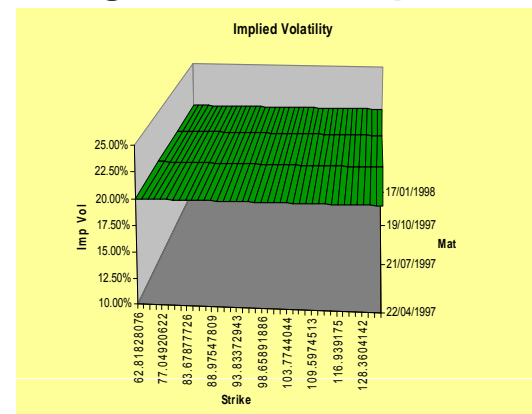
convex implied vol



final concave local vol



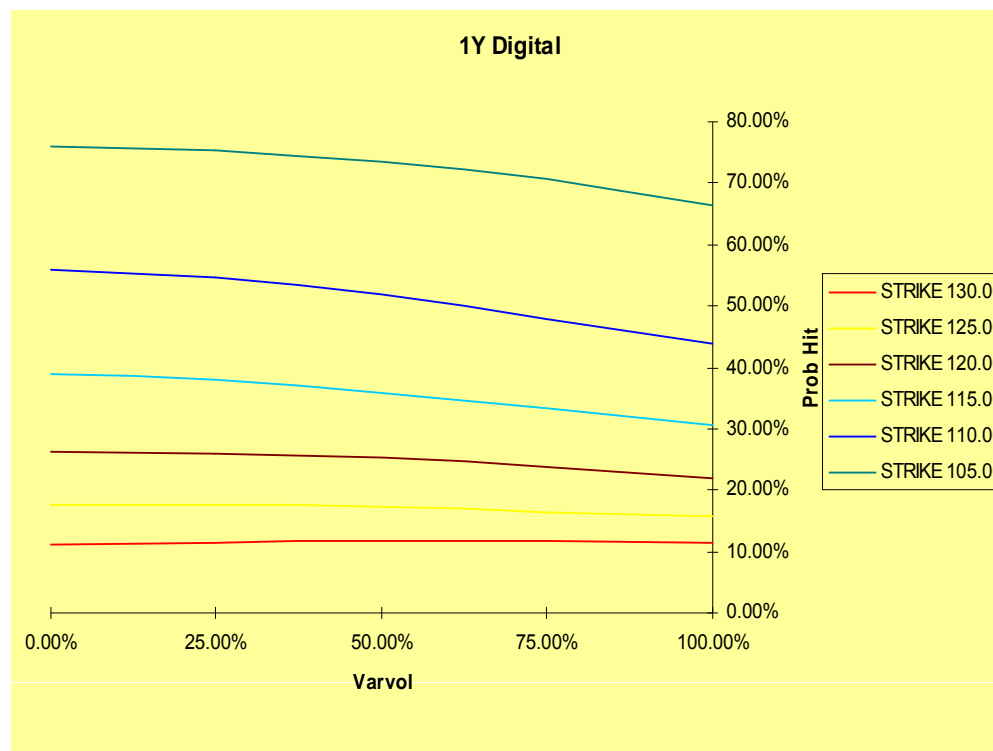
target: flat implied vol



# Options pricing

For each  $b$ :

- Recalibrate the model
- Reprice the option (1Y american digital here)



# Conclusion

- We can get a model which fits market smiles and produces realistic behaviors by either:
  - Extracting forward volatilities and risk-neutralizing their dynamics
  - Or calibrating to current market smile thanks to forward induction
- Exotics are priced in line with Europeans
- The hedging portfolio of Europeans is determined by perturbation (Superbuckets)

# Market Models of Implied Volatility

# Market Model of Implied Volatility

- Implied volatilities are directly observable
- Can we model directly their dynamics? ( $r=0$ )

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dS}{S} = \sigma dW_1 \\ \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\sigma}} = \alpha dt + u_1 dW_1 + u_2 dW_2 \end{cases}$$

where  $\hat{\sigma}$  is the implied volatility of a given  $C_{K,T}$

- Condition on  $\hat{\sigma}$  dynamics?

# Drift Condition

- Apply Ito's lemma to  $C(S, \hat{\sigma}, t)$
- Cancel the drift term
- Rewrite derivatives of  $C(S, \hat{\sigma}, t)$

gives the condition that the drift  $\alpha$  of  $\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\sigma}}$  must satisfy.

For short T,

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = (\sigma + u_1 X)^2 + (u_2 X)^2 \quad (\text{Short Skew Condition :SSC})$$

where  $X = \ln K - \ln S$



# Local Volatility Model Case

$\sigma$  det. function of  $(S, t) \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}$  det. function of  $(S, t)$

$$\text{and } \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\sigma}} = \alpha dt + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_s \sigma S}{\hat{\sigma}} dW_1 : u_1 = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_s \sigma S}{\hat{\sigma}}, u_2 = 0$$

$$\text{SSC: } \hat{\sigma} = \sigma + u_1 X = \sigma \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_s}{\hat{\sigma}} SX \right) \Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{1 + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_s}{\hat{\sigma}} SX}$$

$$\text{solved by } \hat{\sigma} = \frac{X}{\int_s^K \frac{du}{u \sigma(u, 0)}}$$

# “Dual” Equation

The stripping formula  $\sigma^2 = 2 \frac{C_T}{K^2 C_{KK}}$

can be expressed in terms of  $\hat{\sigma}$ :

When  $T \rightarrow 0$   $\sigma = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{1 + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_K}{\hat{\sigma}} KX}$

solved by  $\hat{\sigma} = \frac{X}{\int_s^K \frac{du}{u\sigma(u,0)}}$

# Large Deviation Interpretation

The important quantity is  $\int_s^K \frac{du}{u \sigma(u,0)}$

If  $dx = a(x)dW$  then  $y(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \frac{du}{a(u)}$  satisfies:

$$dy = \mu dt + dW \quad \text{and} \quad x_t = K \Leftrightarrow W_t = y(K)$$

$$\hat{\sigma} \quad / \quad \int_s^K \frac{du}{u \hat{\sigma}} = \int_s^K \frac{du}{u \sigma(u,0)} \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma} = \frac{\ln K - \ln S}{\int_s^K \frac{du}{u \sigma(u,0)}}$$

# Strengths and Limitations

⊕ : automatically compatible with current prices

— : in general, non Markov model → inefficient implementation

care needed to incorporate mean reversion

need for nD model in general

# Barrier Options

# Introduction

- This talk aims at providing a better understanding of
  - The limitation of Black-Scholes when applied to barrier options
  - The smile approach for pricing barrier options
  - The extension to stochastic volatility and jump models and their impact on barrier prices
  - Optimal hedges in vega and gamma

# Limitation of the Black-Scholes assumptions

- Black-Scholes model assumes constant instantaneous volatility

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dW$$

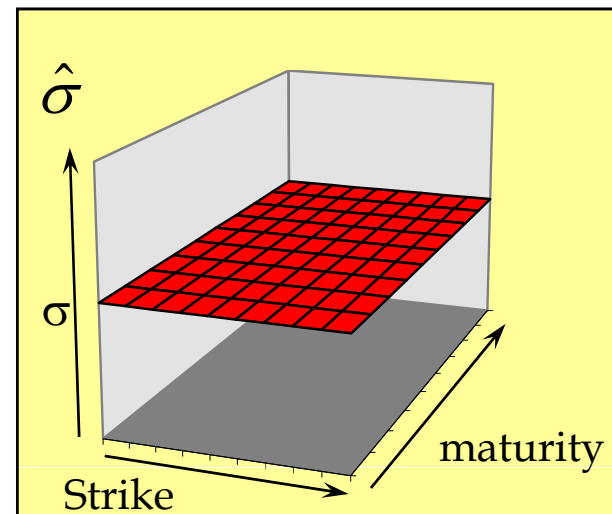
(instantaneous vol)



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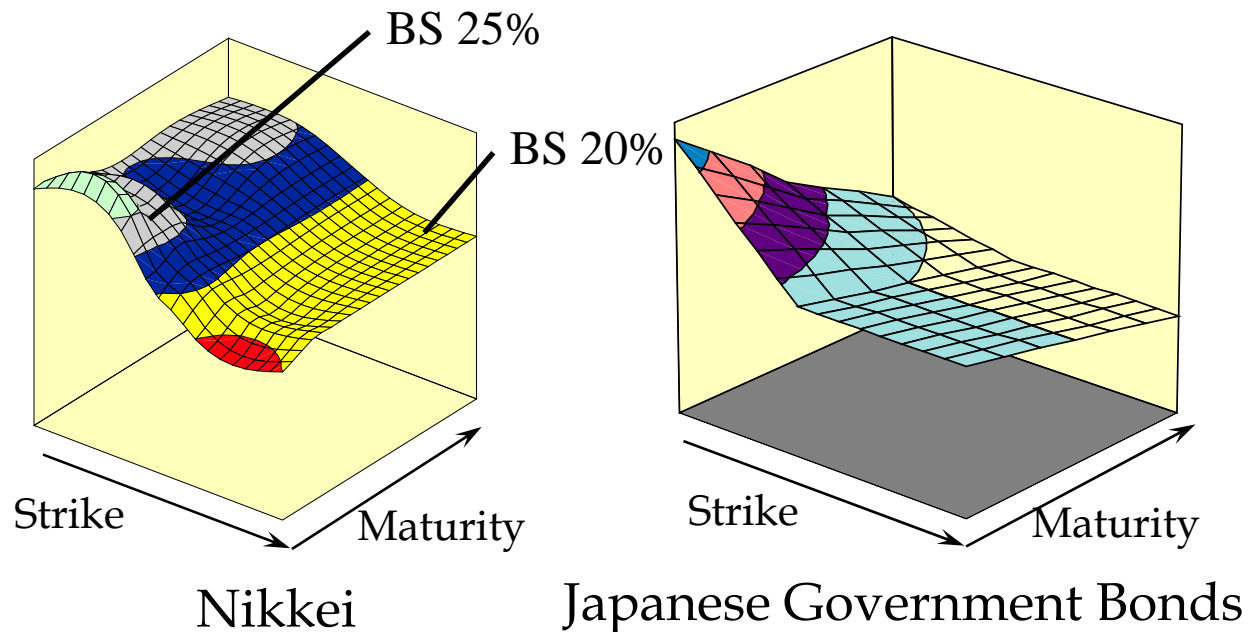


implied vols



# Real world

- In practice, implied volatility highly varies with strike:



Problem: barriers do not depend on only one volatility!  
=> need for one model consistent with all option prices



# The smile model

- Black-Scholes:

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \sigma dW_t$$

- Merton:

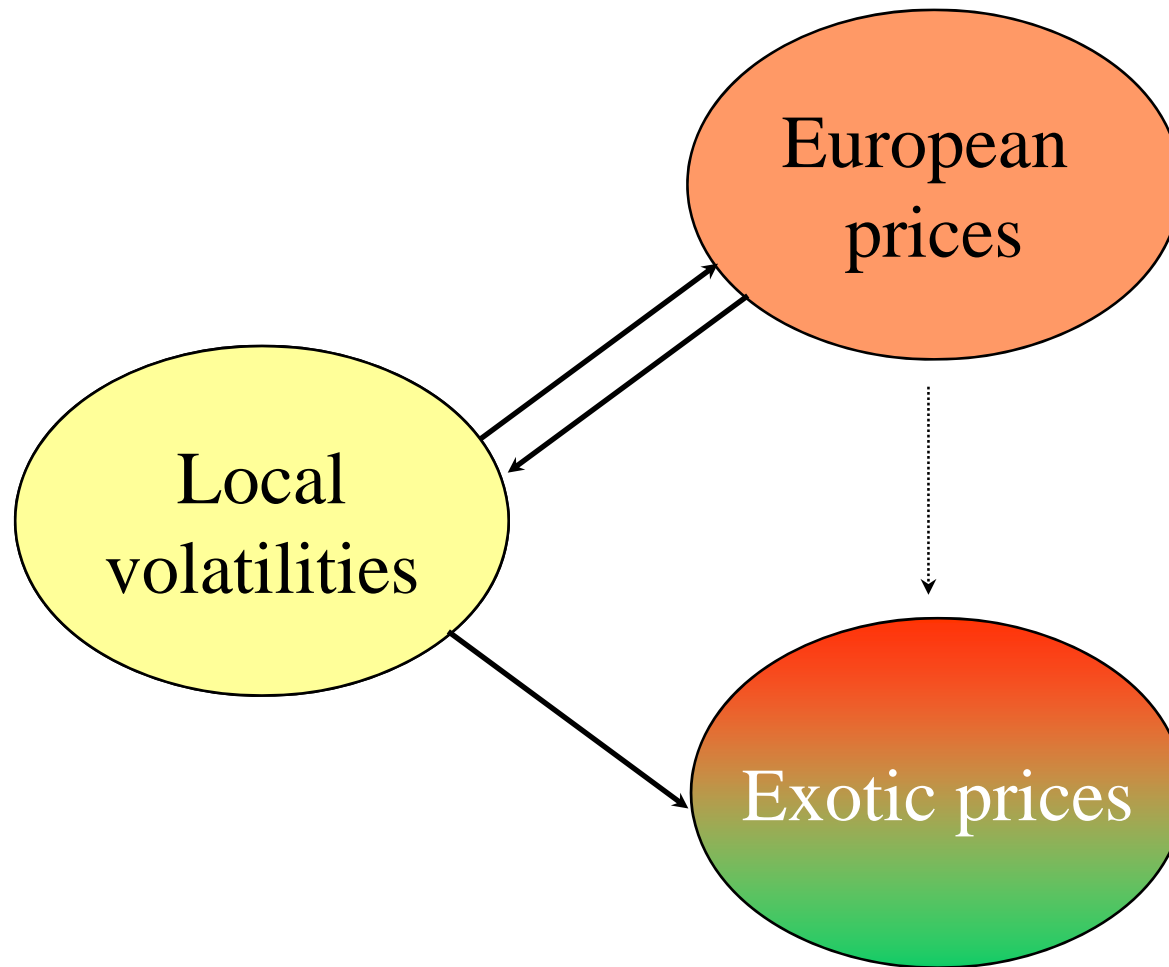
$$\frac{dS}{S} = \sigma(t) dW_t$$

- Simplest extension consistent with smile:

$$dS = \sigma(S, t) dW_t$$

$\sigma(S, t)$  is called “local volatility”

# From simple to complex

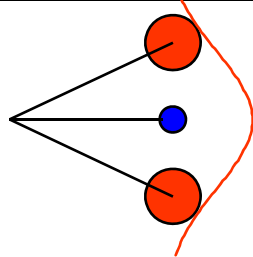


# Barrier option pricing within the smile model

- solve generalised Black-Scholes's PDE

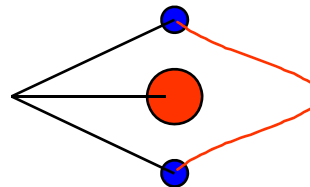
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} C(S, t) + \mu_s(S, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial S} C(S, t) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(S, t) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial S^2} C(S, t) = rC(S, t)$$

- with the relevant boundary conditions depending on the product (e.g. value = 0 for knock-out options)
- Explicit discretisation: recombining trinomial tree



*High volatility:*

*weights concentrated on boundary nodes*



*Low volatility:*

*weights concentrated on central nodes*

Preferred solution: semi-explicit (Crank-Nicholson) grid

Unconditionally stable

Converges in  $O(\Delta t^2)$  (Trinomial:  $O(\Delta t)$ )

# Monte-Carlo implementation

Stochastic differential equation:

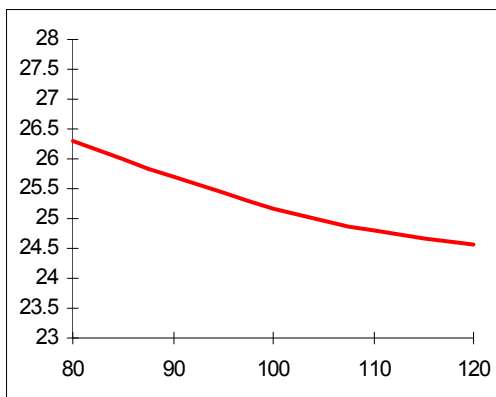
$$dS = \alpha dt + \sigma(S, t) dW$$

Simplest scheme: Euler discretisation

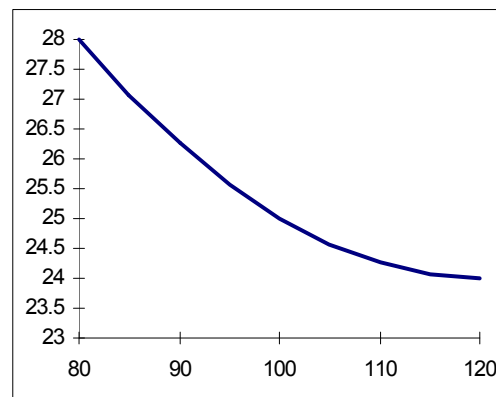
$$S_{n+1} = S_n + \alpha \delta t + \sigma(S_n, t_n) \delta W$$

# Typical example: decreasing smile

## Example:



implied volatility

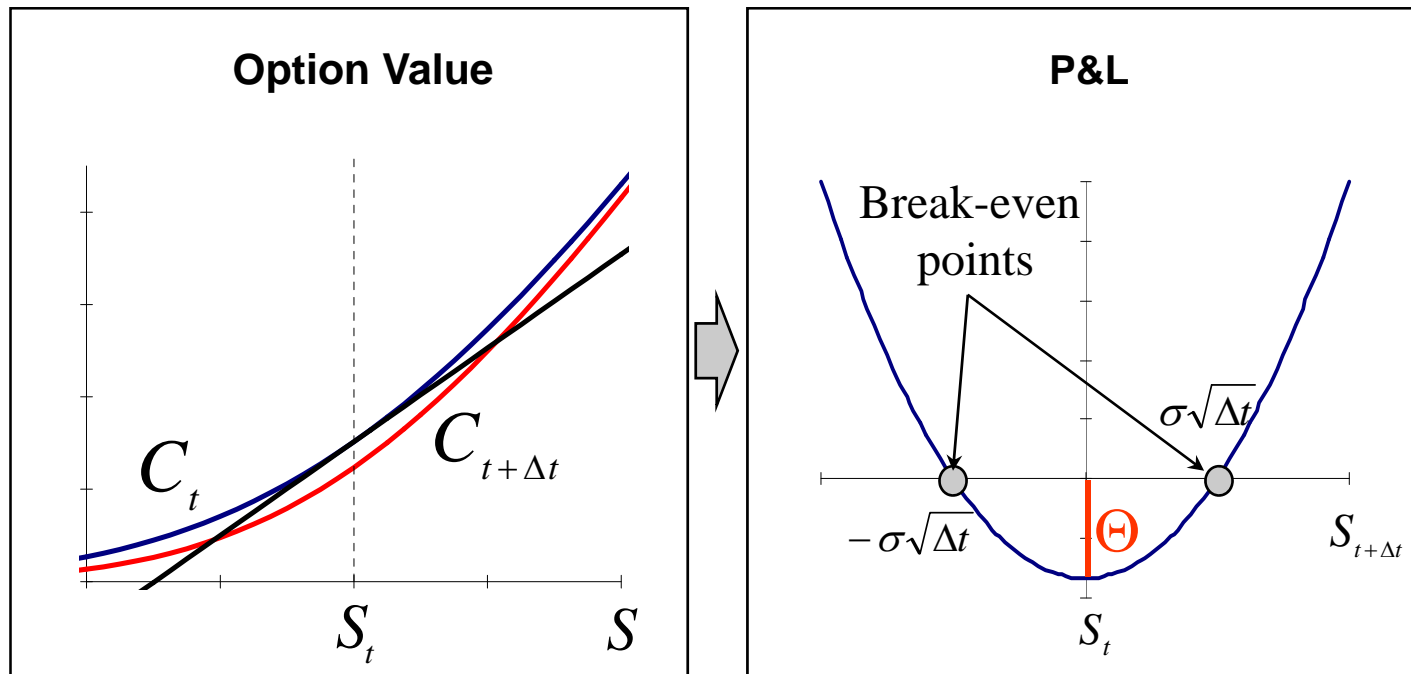


local volatility

How to measure the impact of volatility  
on the barrier option?

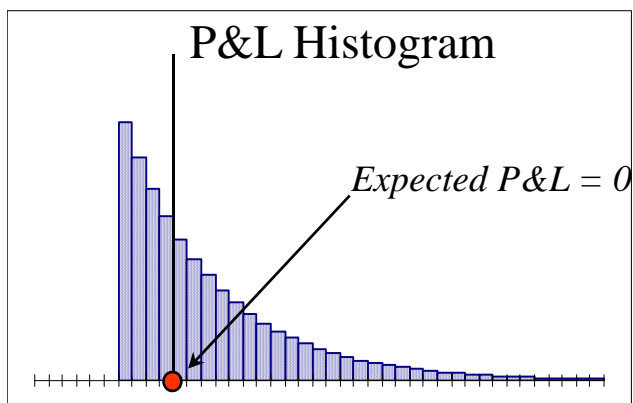
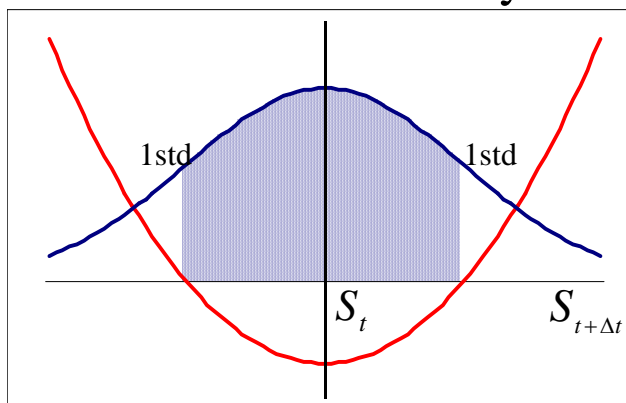
# P&L of a delta hedged option (1)

P&L of delta-hedged option position over  $\Delta t$ :

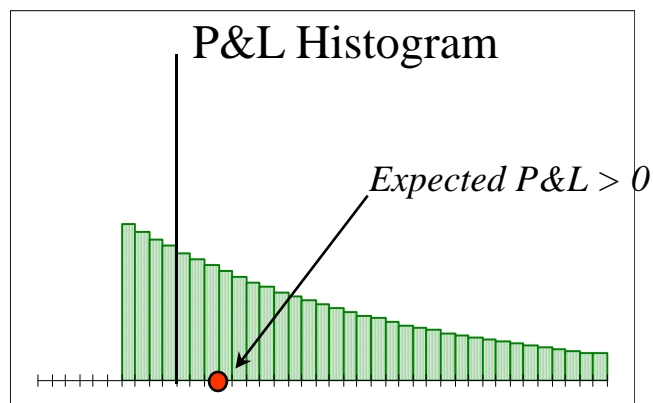
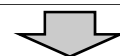
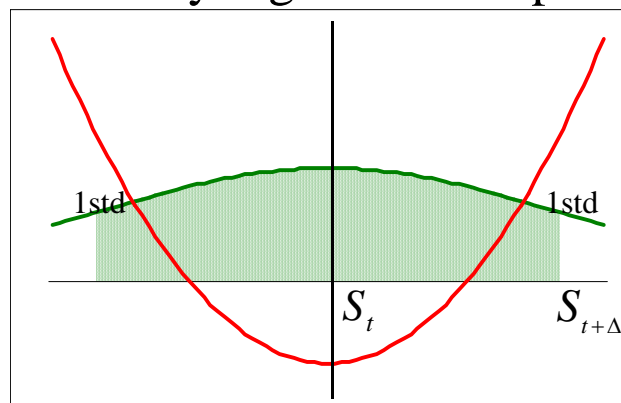


# P&L of a delta hedged option (2)

Correct volatility



Volatility higher than expected



Ito: When  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ , spot dependency disappears

# Black-Scholes PDE

Let  $\sigma_0$  be the Black-Scholes volatility

P&L is a balance between gain from G and loss from  $\Theta$ :

$$P\&L_{(t,t+dt)} = \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Gamma_0 + \Theta_0 \right) dt \quad \text{From Black-Scholes PDE:} \quad \Theta_0 = -\frac{\sigma_0^2}{2} \Gamma_0$$

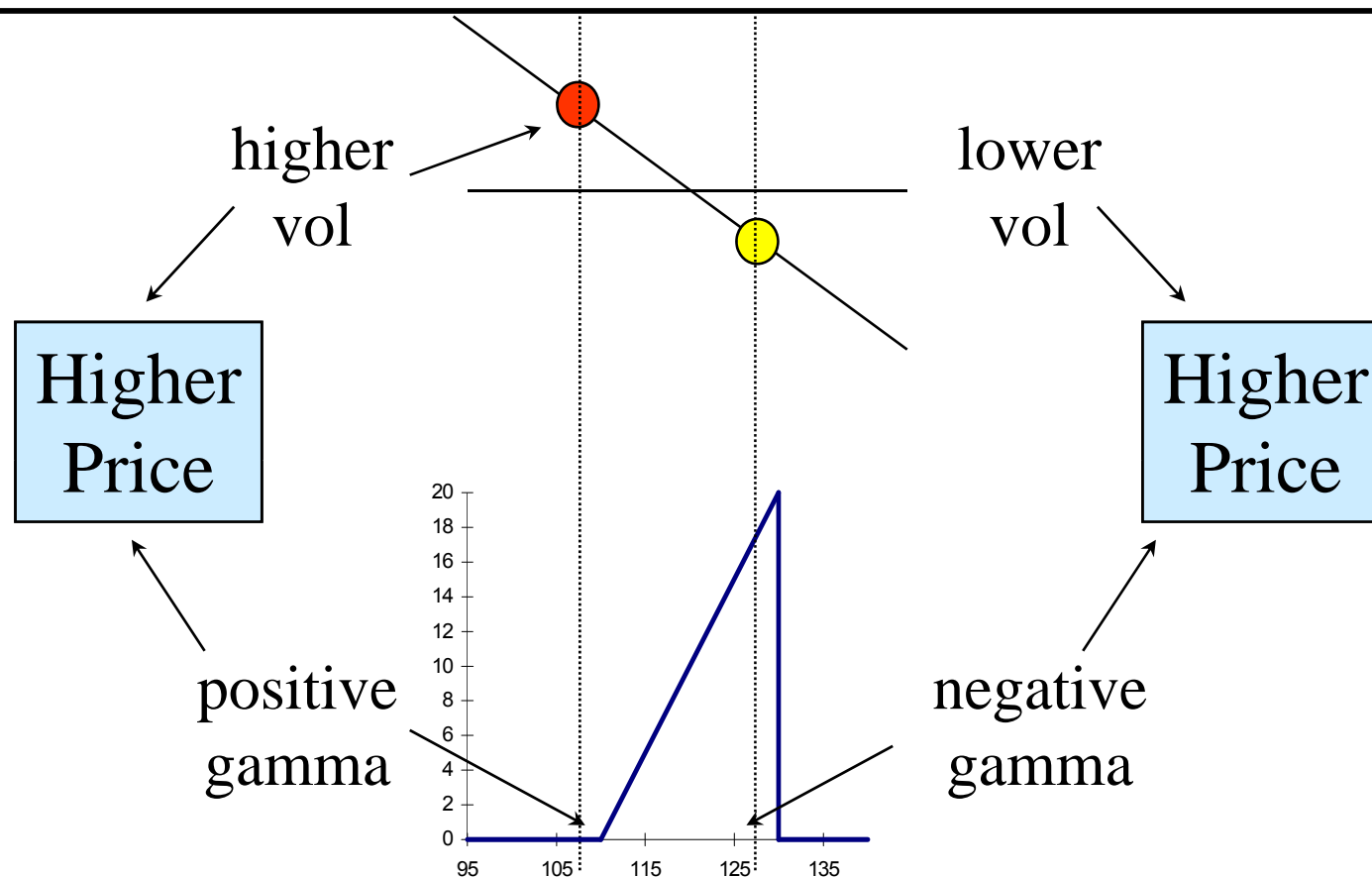
=> discrepancy if  $\sigma$  different from expected:

$$\text{gain over } dt = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma^2 - \sigma_0^2) \Gamma_0 dt$$

- $\sigma > \sigma_0$ : Profit
  - $\sigma < \sigma_0$ : Loss
- } Magnified by  $\Gamma_0$



# Impact of local vol on barrier option



Conclusion: instead of being compensated (like for europeans), vol differences double up price difference!

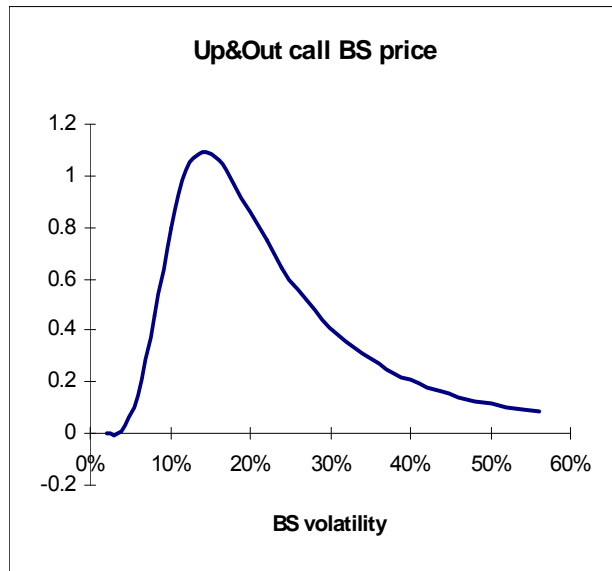
# Black-Scholes price as a function of vol

- Example: Up & Out call

$S_0 = 100$

$K=110$

$B=130$



Low vol=>small probability of  
ending in the money  
high vol=>high probability to  
lose the option

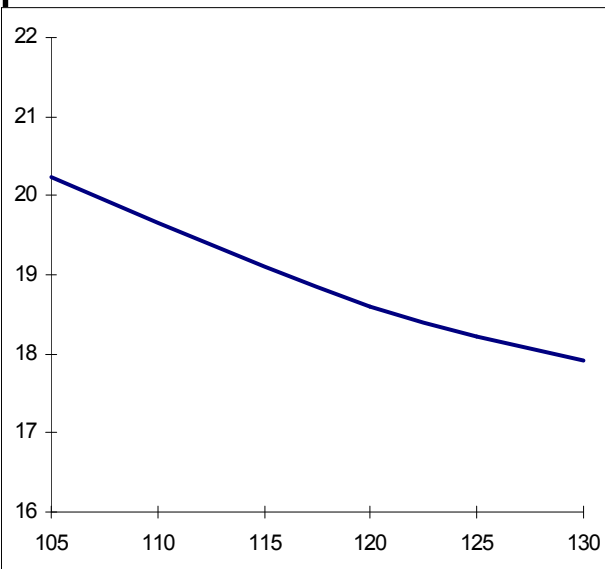
## Questions:

- 1) if  $\hat{\sigma}_{110} = 25\%$  ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{130} = 20\%$ , which one should we use?
- 2) Could the fair price be higher than any of the points on the curve?

# Typical case

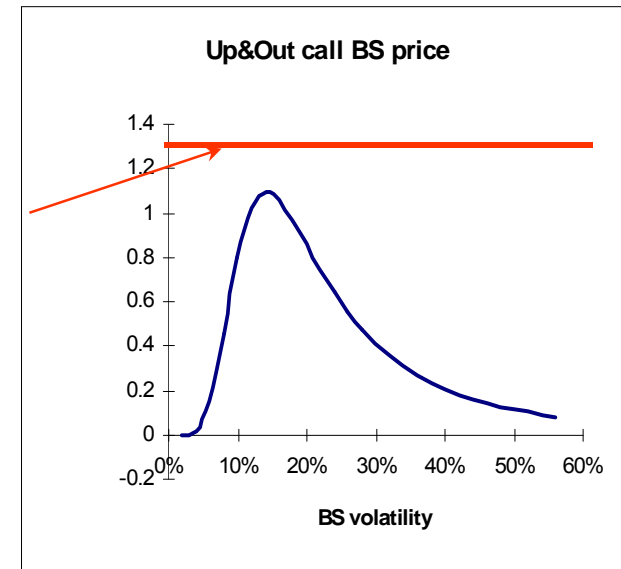
If we come back to our Up&Out call

With a smile like this:



With get the following price:

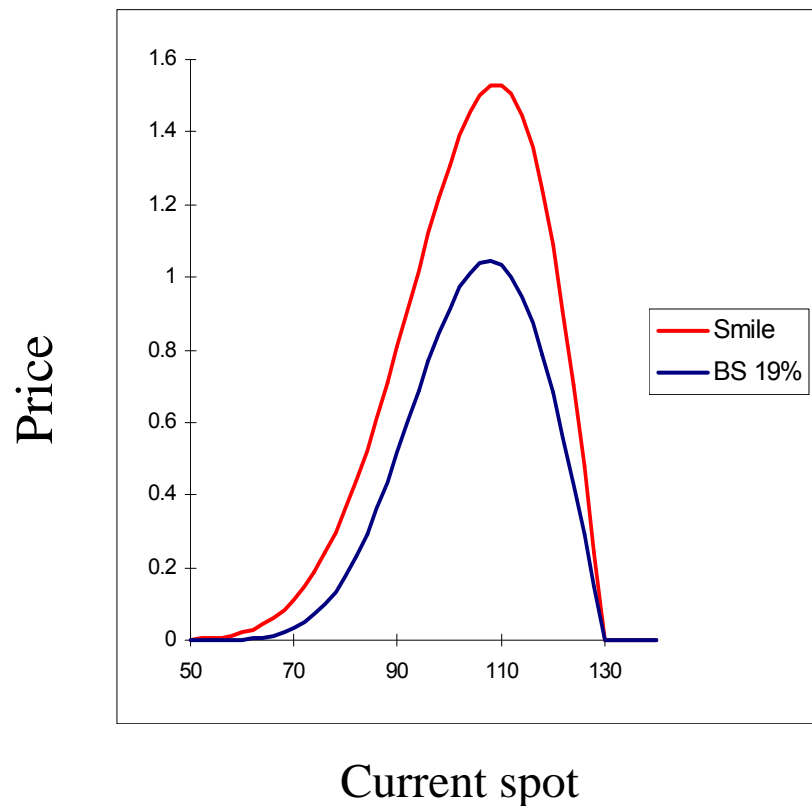
smile price



Conclusion: We cannot produce a correct price with BS

# Typical case (2)

Black-Scholes and Smile will lead to fairly different profiles and thus different hedges



# Stochastic volatility

So far, volatility was a deterministic function of spot and time:

$$dS = \sigma(S, t) dW_t$$

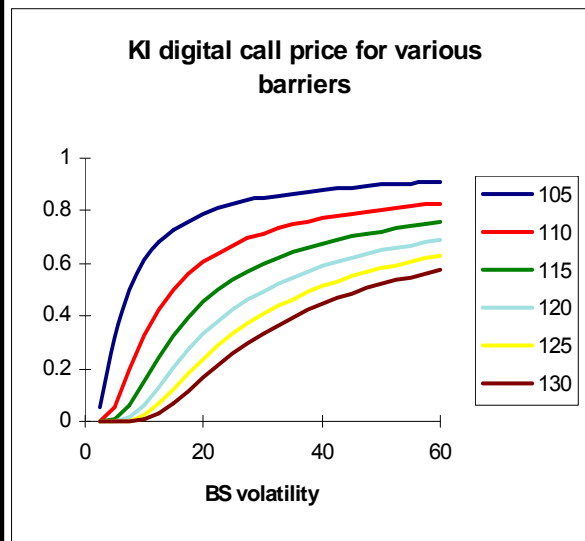
In a stochastic volatility model, volatility will have its own brownian:

$$d\sigma_t = \alpha dt + \beta dZ_t^P$$

$Z_t$  and  $W_t$  might be correlated

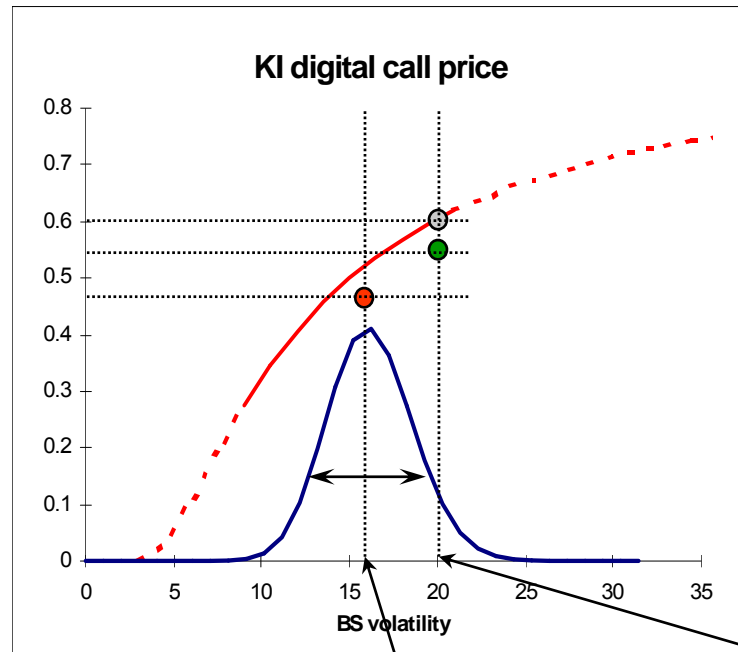
# Impact on barrier prices: intuition

- Sensitivity to stochastic volatility will be linked to convexity of the option with respect to volatility.
- We can get an idea of the impact by looking at Black-Scholes price as a function of vol:



Price being generally concave as a function of vol, price should be lower with stochastic vol.  
BUT european prices should go down too  
=> after calibration, impact of vovol is not obvious.

# Impact on barrier prices(2)



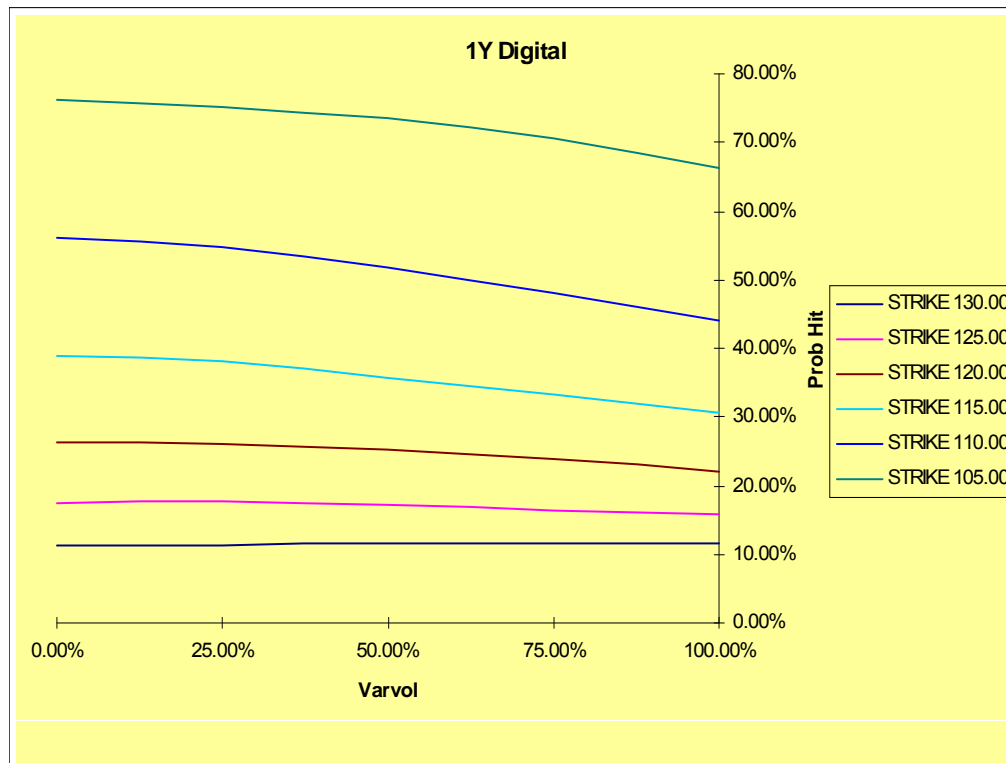
- Black-Scholes price
- Stoch vol price  
- no calibration
- Stoch vol price  
with calibration

Initial Black-Scholes volatility

Corrected expected volatility level after fixed point calibration  
(local vol has to be readjusted downwards except at the  
money where it goes slightly upwards)

# Impact on barrier prices: numerical results

Current spot : 100  
maturity: 1Y  
no rates





# Conclusion

- A model to price complex options has to price simple options correctly.
- The simplest model to achieve it is a spot/time dependent volatility: the smile model.
- More sophisticated models display stochastic volatility.
- Those models affect barrier option prices substantially.
- They allow to decompose volatility risk through strikes and maturities

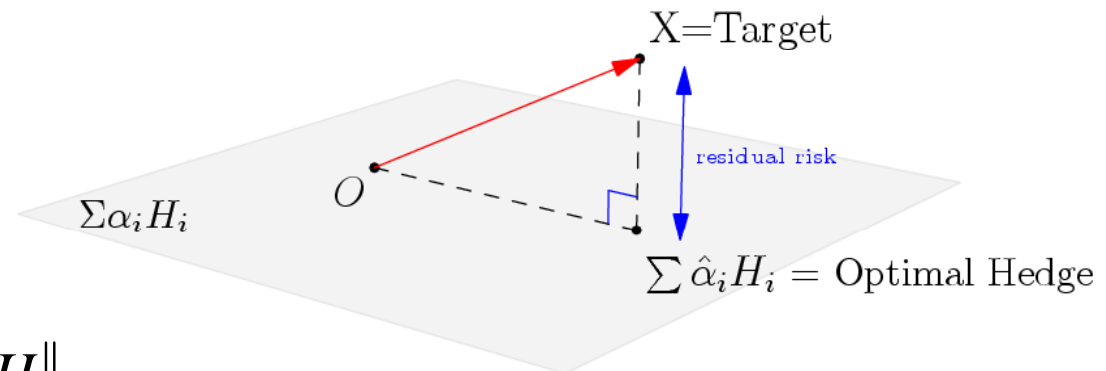
# Hedging

# The Geometry of Hedging

- Risk measured as  $SD[PL_T]$
- Target  $X$ , hedge  $H$   $PL_t = X_t - H_t$

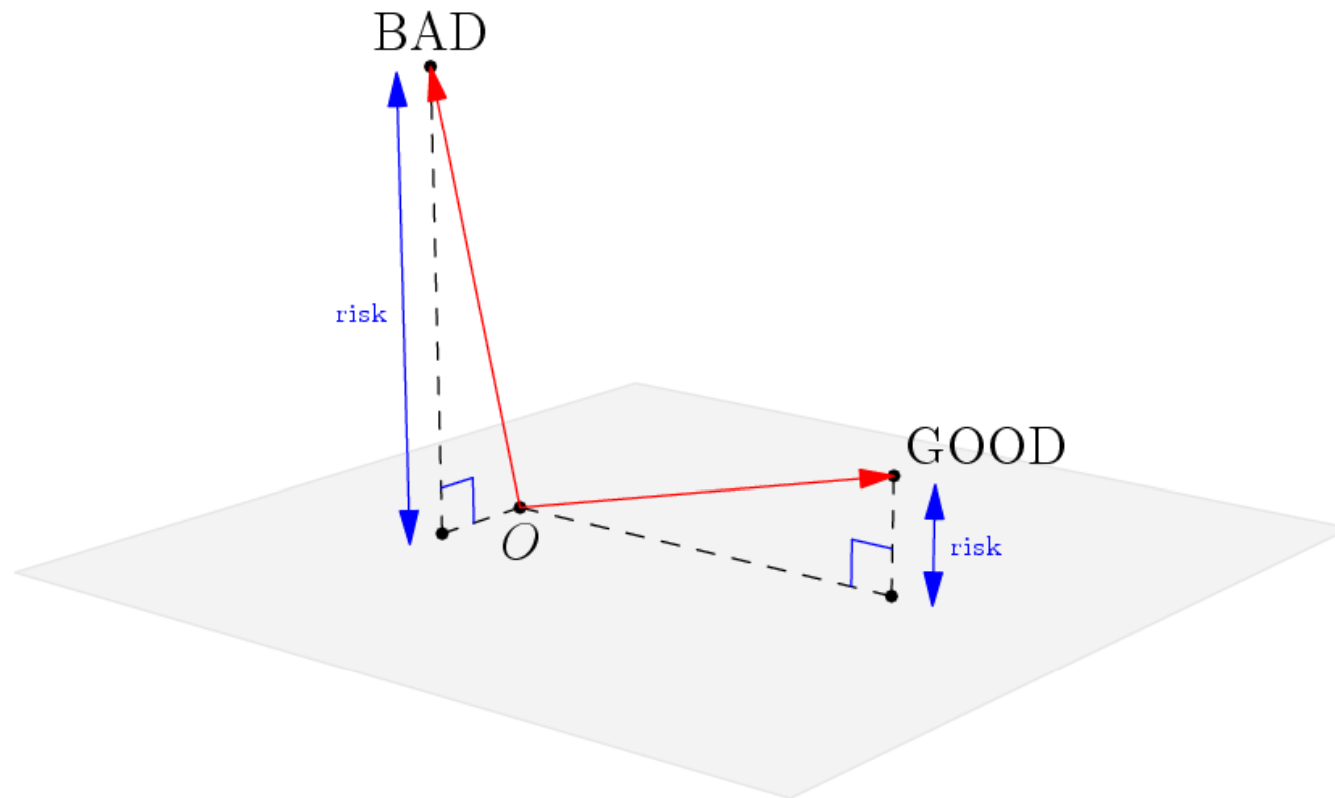
$$Risk = \sqrt{\text{var}[X_T - H_T]} = \|X - H\|_{\perp}$$

- Risk is an  $L^2$  norm, with general properties of orthogonal projections
- Optimal Hedge:  $\hat{H}$



$$\|X - \hat{H}\| = \inf_{H \in H} \|X - H\|$$

# The Geometry of Hedging



# Where does Tracking Error come from?

- Mainly because reality does not follow a model
- But even within a model:
  - 1) because trading is discrete in time
  - 2) because the model is incomplete

$$\begin{aligned} Risk^2 &= Var[PL_T] = E[\langle PL \rangle_T] \\ &= E\left[\int_0^T (dPL)^2\right] \\ &= \int_0^T E[(dPL)^2] \\ &= \int_0^T Var[dPL] \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  We analyze  $Var[\delta PL]$

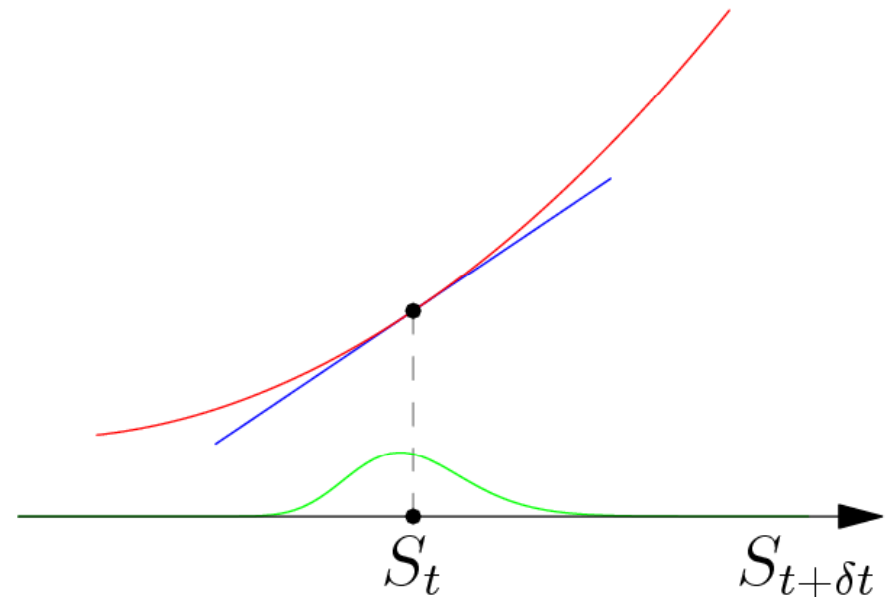
# Black-Scholes, no hedge

$$X_T = X_0 + \int_0^T \Delta_t dS_t$$

$$\delta PL_t = dX_t = \Delta_t dS_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[dX_T] &= \Delta_t^2 (dS)^2 \\ &= \Delta_t^2 \sigma^2 S^2 dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[X_T] = \sigma^2 E\left[\int_0^T \Delta_t^2 S^2 dt\right]$$

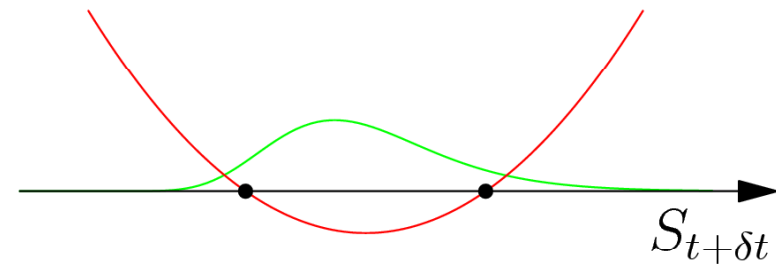


# Black-Scholes, $\Delta$ -hedge every $\delta t$

$$\delta PL_t = \frac{\Gamma}{2} ((\delta S)^2 - \sigma^2 S^2 \delta t)$$

$$Var[\delta PL] = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma^2 S^4 \sigma^4 \delta t^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} Var[PL_t] &= \frac{\sigma^4}{2} \delta t E\left[\sum \Gamma^2 S^4 \delta t\right] \\ &\sim \frac{\sigma^4}{2} E\left[\int_0^T \Gamma^2 S^4 dt\right] \delta t \end{aligned}$$



$\Rightarrow \Gamma$ -norm

# Incomplete Model

## Stochastic Vol

$$\begin{cases} dS = \sigma_t dW^1 \\ d\sigma_t = \alpha dt + u_1 dW^1 + u_2 dW^2 \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} W^1 \perp W^2 \\ \Rightarrow C(S, \sigma, t) \end{matrix}$$

$$dC = \underbrace{\left( C_t + \alpha C_\sigma + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} C_{SS} + u_1 \sigma_t C_{S\sigma} + \frac{1}{2} C_{\sigma\sigma} (u_1^2 + u_2^2) \right) dt}_{=0 \Rightarrow PDE} + \underbrace{\left( C_S + \frac{C_\sigma u_1}{\sigma} \right) dS}_{\min Var \Delta hedge} + \underbrace{C_\sigma u_2 dW^2}_{residual risk}$$

$$dPL = u_2 C_\sigma dW^2$$

$$PL_T = \int_0^T u_2 C_\sigma dW^2$$

$$V[TE_T] = E \left[ \int_0^T u_2^2 C_\sigma^2 dt \right]$$

$\delta t \Delta$  hedging  $\Rightarrow \Gamma$  risk

$\sigma(\omega)$  model  $\Rightarrow$  Vega risk



# Link with MCV

In Monte-Carlo simulations, Multiple Control Variates  
Target  $Y$ , hedging instruments  $H_i$

Path  $\omega_j \rightarrow (X(\omega_j), H_1(\omega_j), \dots, H_n(\omega_j))$

Multiple regression of  $X(\omega_j)$  on  $(H_i(\omega_j))_i$

$$\Rightarrow X = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i H_i + \varepsilon \qquad \hat{X} = X^{MC} + \sum \alpha_i (\bar{H}_i - H_i^{MC})$$

This projection corresponds to

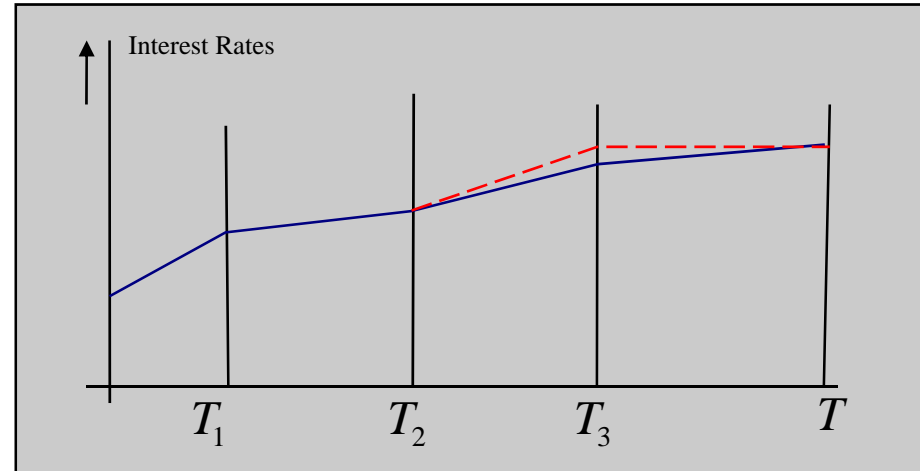
- Static position in options
- No dynamic hedging

# Vega hedge

- Smile prices can be very different from Black-Scholes prices
- If the market smile disappears tomorrow, you might get hurt
- Conclusion: you have to set up a vega hedge composed of European options
- Question: which European options and which proportions?

# Bucket Hedging For Interest Rates

- Value PF with initial YC
- Bump rate for one maturity



- Revalue and Compute sensitivity w.r.t. this maturity
- Repeat for all maturities
- Compute hedging PF: immunised against any move of YC today

# Volatility: Superbucket Hedging

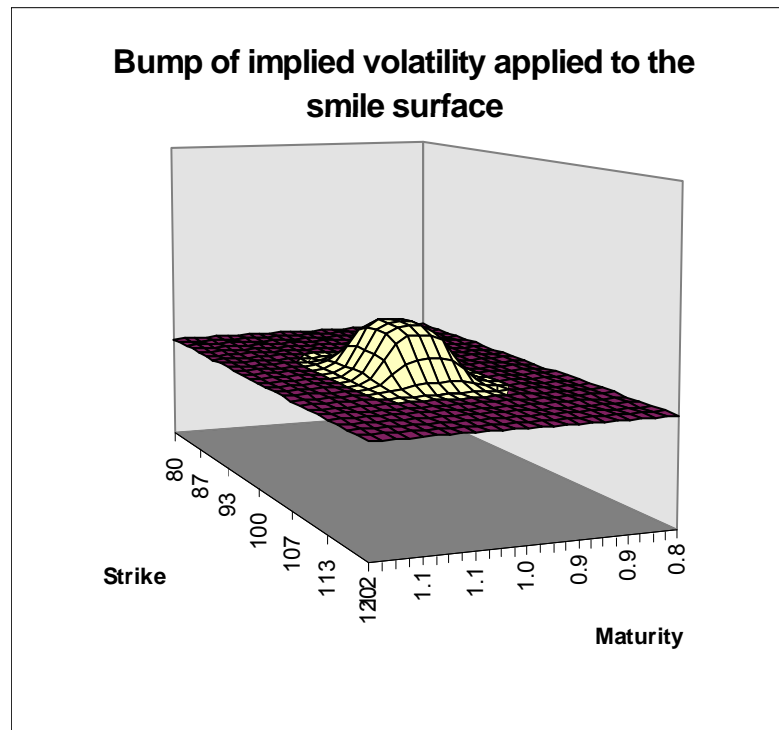
- Extension of interest rate bucket hedging: bump implied volatilities around one Strike and one Maturity
- Revalue PF with a model fully calibrated to the vol surface (like LVM)
- Compute sensitivities, or local Vegas, to decompose volatility risk through Strikes and Maturities
- Compute «Superbucket Hedge »: PF of European options with same sensitivities

# Superbuckets

Price depends on all points of implied vol surface

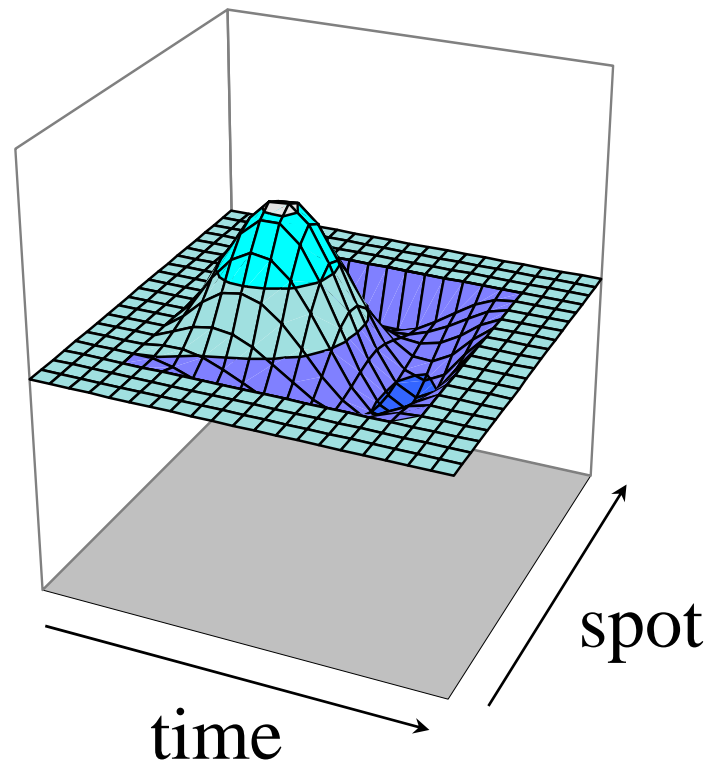


We want to compute a sensitivity to all points

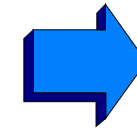
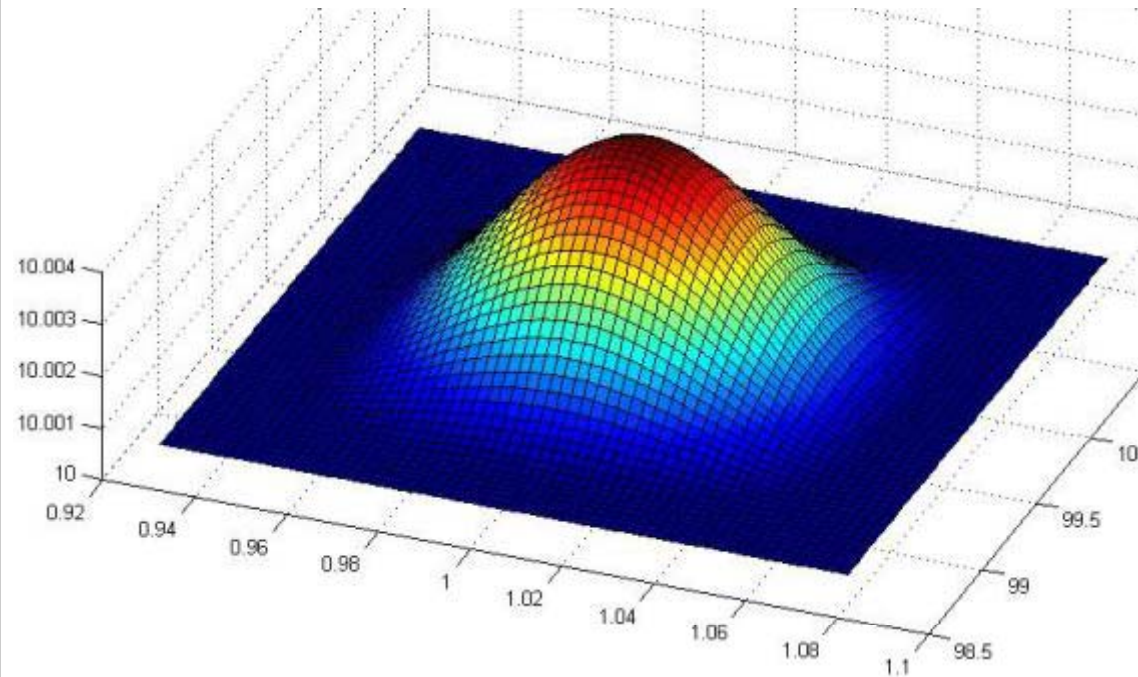


## Superbuckets (2)

Applied previous bump on implied volatility generates the following bump in local volatility:



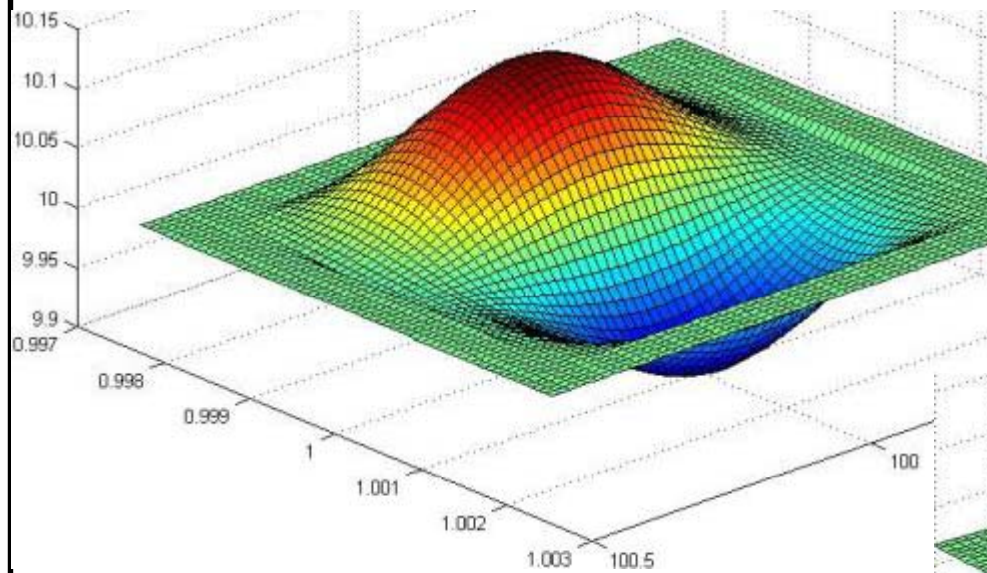
# Bump in Implied Volatility



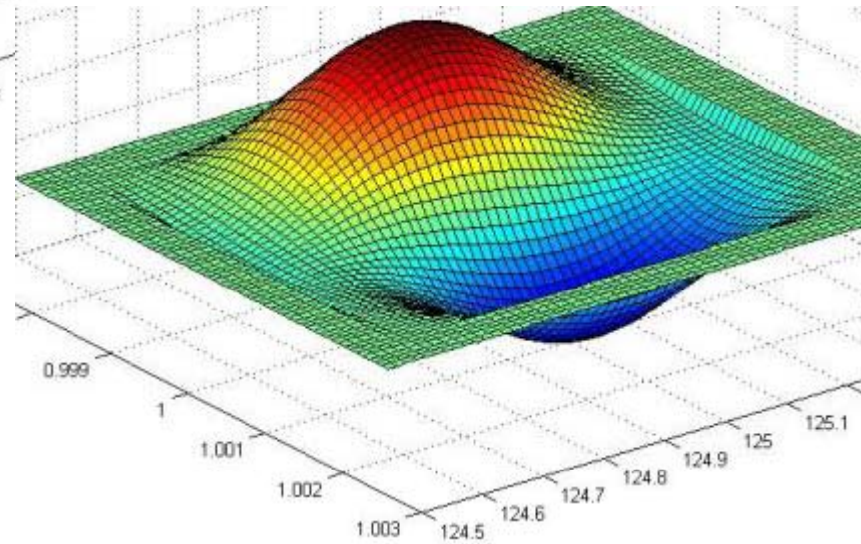
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# Bumped Local Volatility small time step

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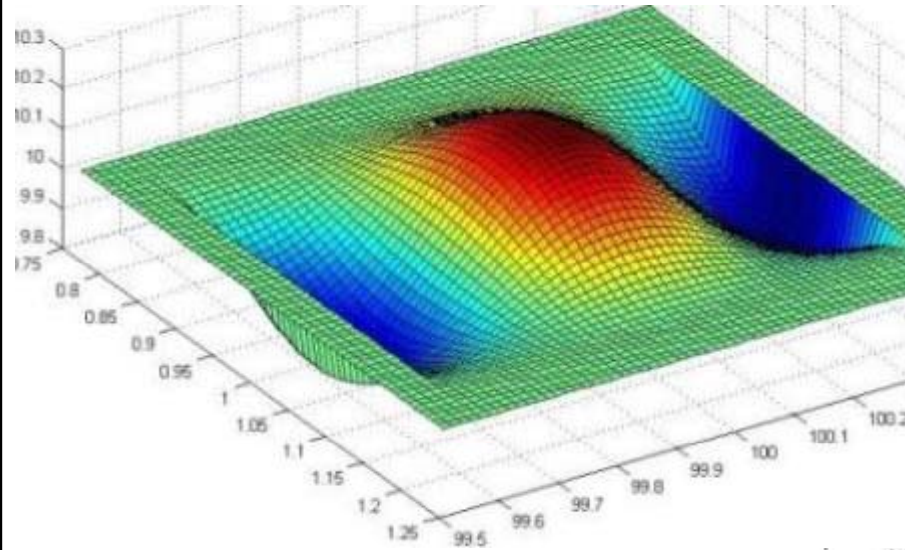


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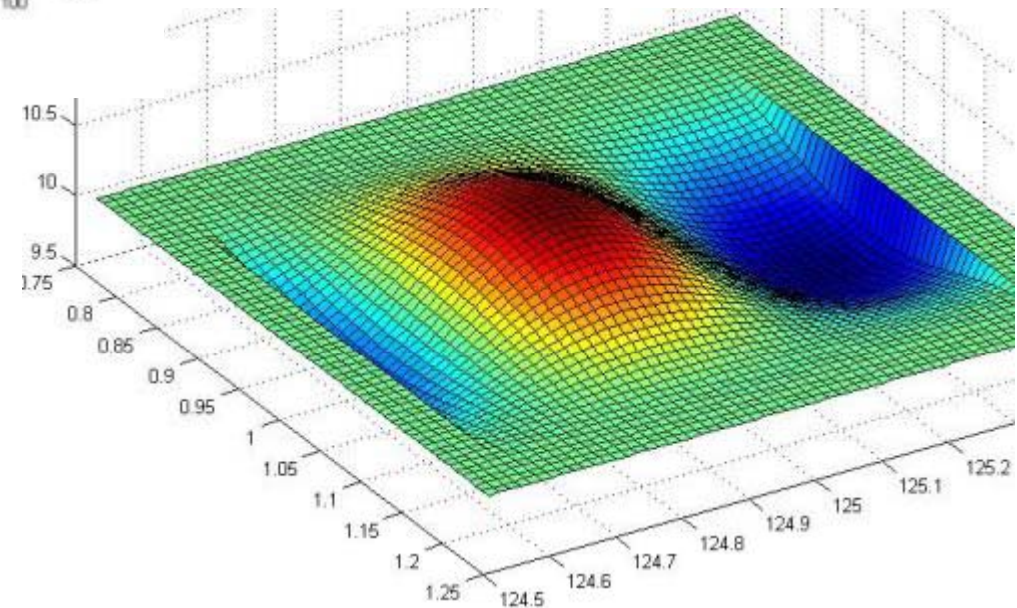


# Bumped Local Volatility large time step

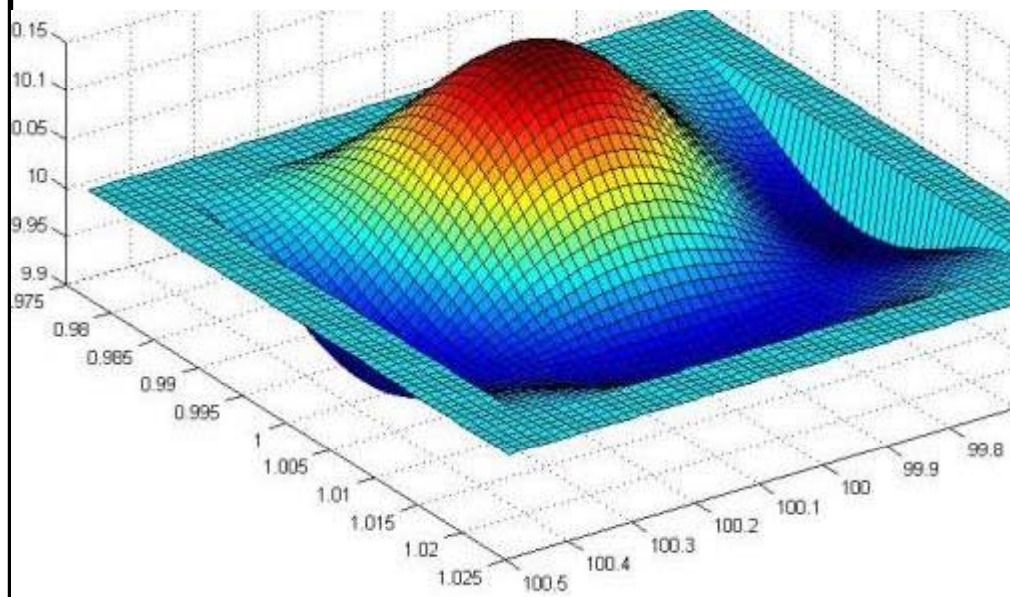


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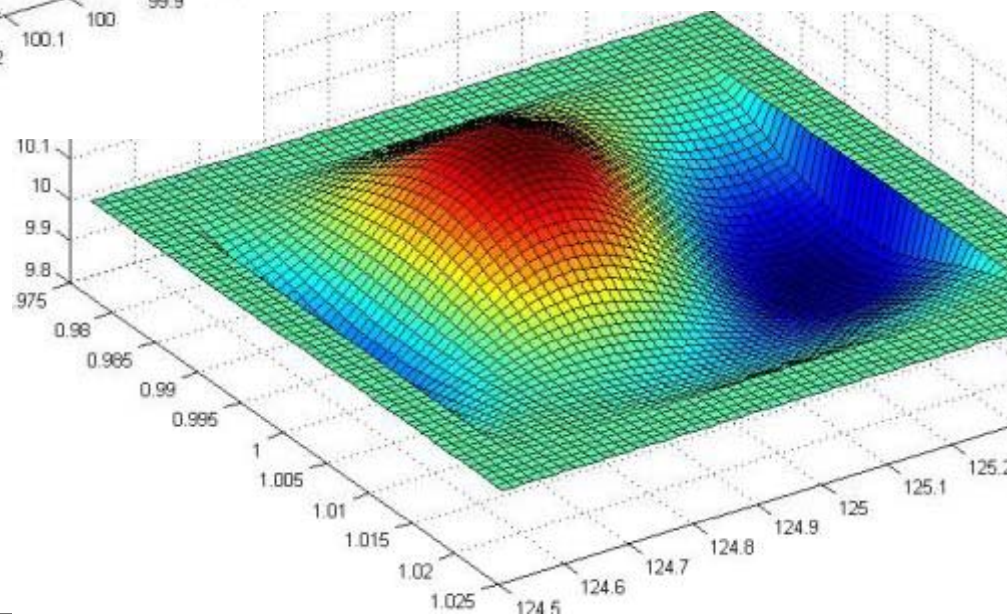


# Bumped Local Volatility average time step



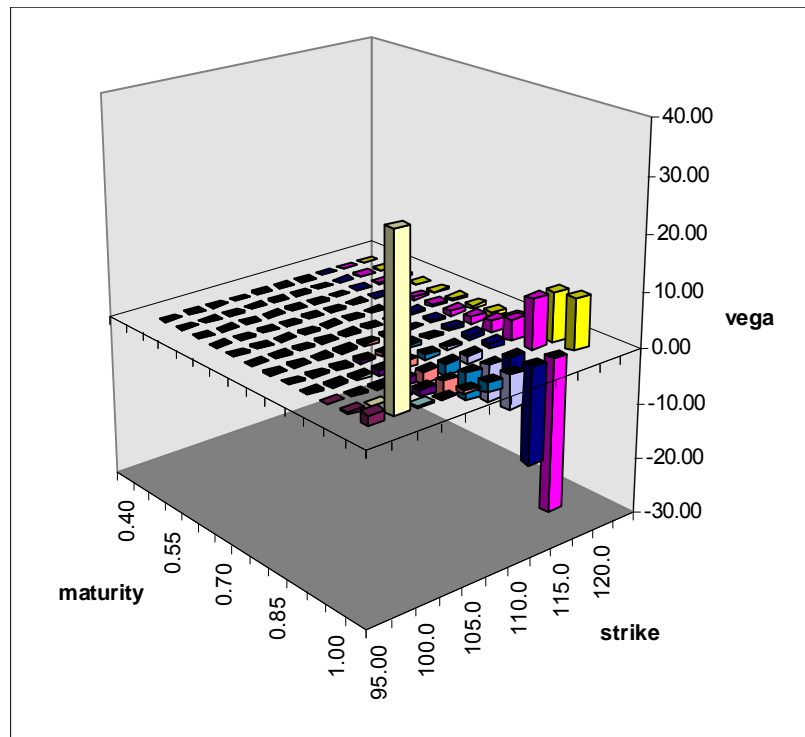
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# Superbuckets (3)

Finally, we have the decomposition of the vega risk throughout strikes and maturities



Example: up & out call 1y, strike 100, barrier 120, spot 100, no rates

# Superhedge 1

- Interpretation of Superbuckets as hedging PF: “Superhedge”
- Superhedge as tangent PF: first order hedge because Superbucket is a gradient
- Superhedge as projection of PF on European options
- Superbucket allows for risk aggregation

# Superhedge 2

- Perfect hedge w.r.t. any instantaneous vol surface move
- Dynamic volatility rehedgeing may have a cost (hedge against moves not authorized by LVM)
- To account for this second order effect, need to have a fuller model (e.g. stochastic vol)

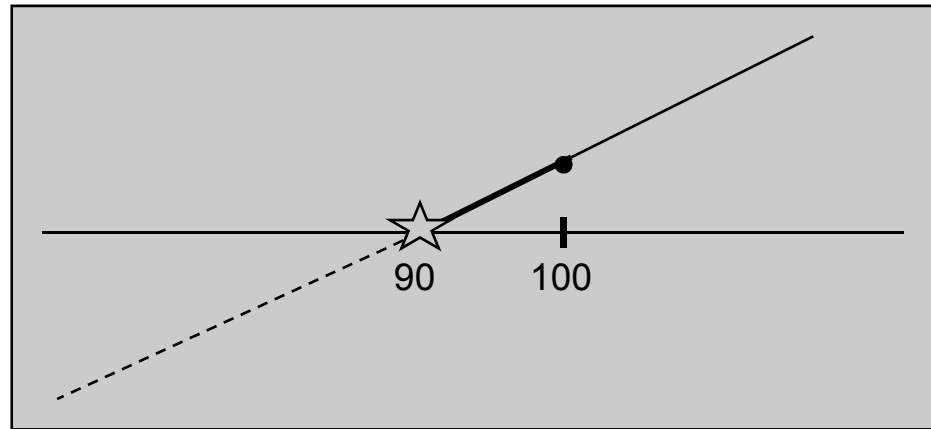
# Limitation

- Superhedge not stable with time
- For instance, for barriers options:
  - Ignores what happens beyond barrier level
  - Unstable hedge: vanishes when close to barrier level

# Static Hedging

- Example with barrier options: Assume no rates, no jumps

$$S_0 = 100$$



Down & Out Call strike 90, barrier 90

Equivalent to 10 + Future with Stop Loss at 90

Price = 10 independent of vol or model

# Barrier Static Hedging

Down & Out Call Strike K, Barrier L,  $r=0$  :

- With BS:  $DOC_{K,L} = C_K - \frac{K}{L} P_{L^2/K}$

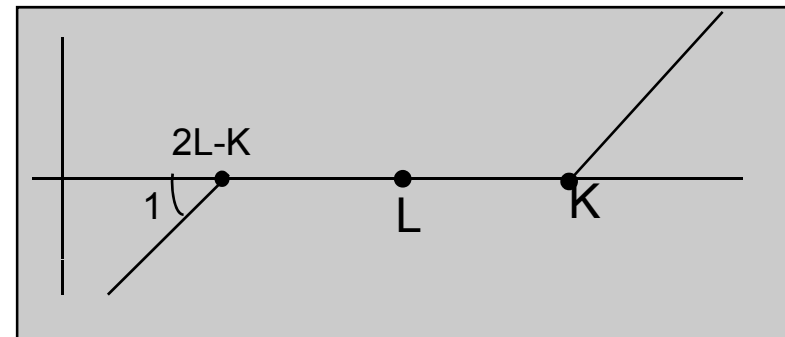
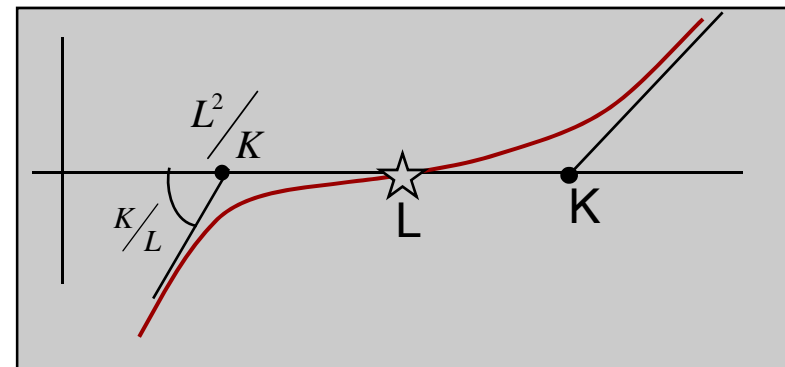
If  $S_t = L$ , unwind hedge, at 0 cost

If not touched, IV's are equal

- With normal model

$$DOC_{K,L} = C_K - P_{2L-K}$$

$$dS = \sigma dW$$

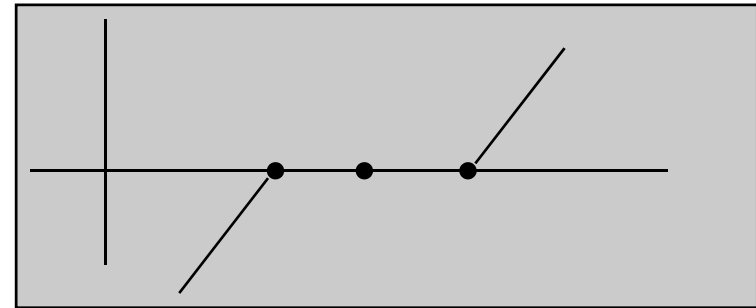




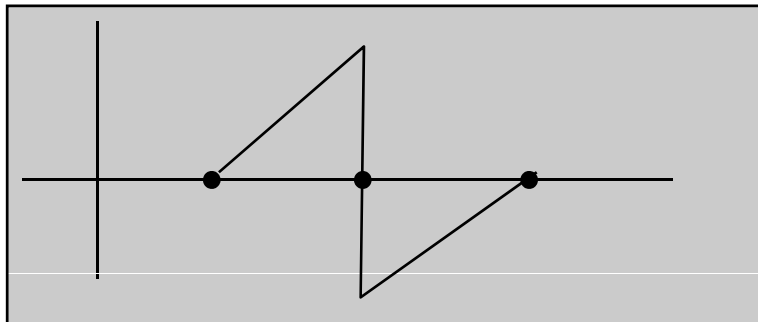
# Skew Adjusted Barrier Hedges

$$dS = (aS + b)dW$$

$$DOC_{K,L} \leftrightarrow C_K - \frac{aK + b}{aL + b} P_{\frac{aL^2 + b(2L - K)}{aK + b}}$$



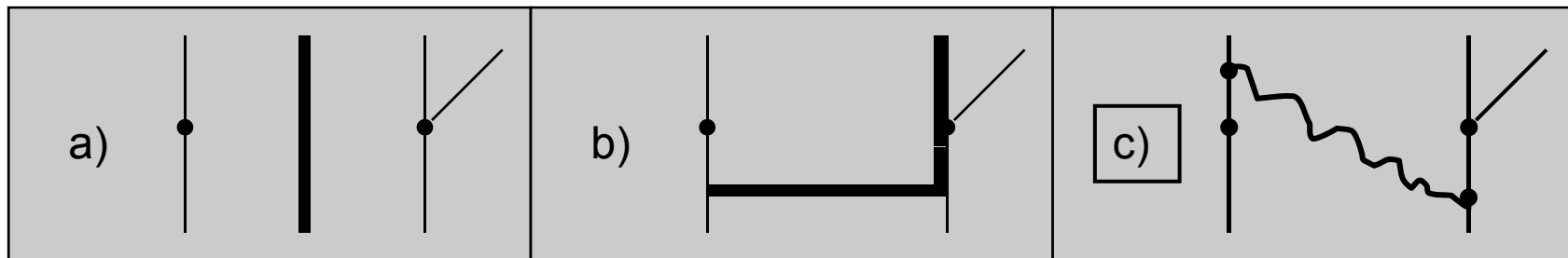
$$UOC_{K,L} \leftrightarrow C_K - (L - K) \left( 2Dig_L + \frac{a}{aL + b} C_L \right) - \frac{aK + b}{aL + b} C_{\frac{aL^2 + b(2L - K)}{aK + b}}$$



# Boundary Condition Matching

Other Boundary Condition matching:

- If same PF has the same as  $DOC_{K,L}$  on some line separating the initial value from the final payoff, it is a static hedge within the model



- For instance, in b) a PF  $(C_{K,T} - \int_0^T \alpha(t)P_{K(t),t}dt)$  can be computed by time induction to match the boundary condition

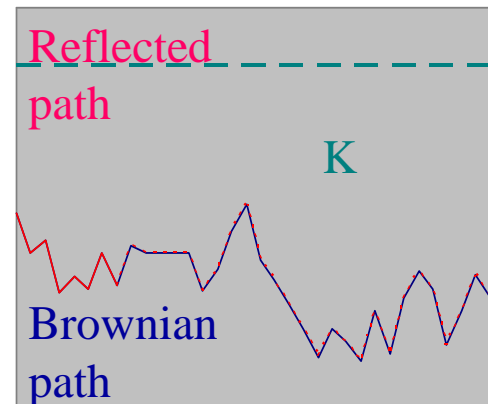
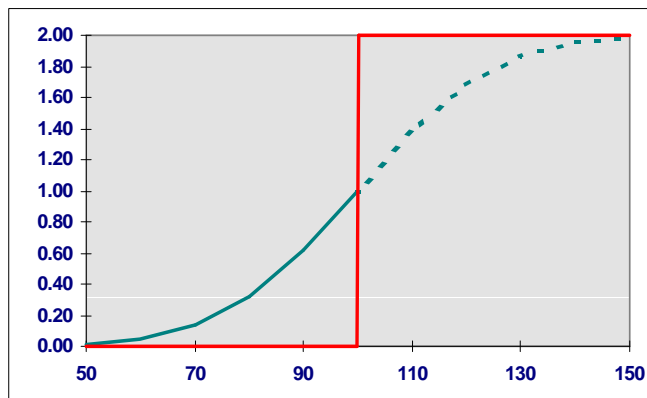
# Static hedge: Digitals

Normal Model,  $r=0$

1 American Digital = 2 European Digitals

From reflection principle,

$$\text{Proba}(\text{Max}_{0-T} > K) = 2 \text{ Proba}(S_T > K)$$



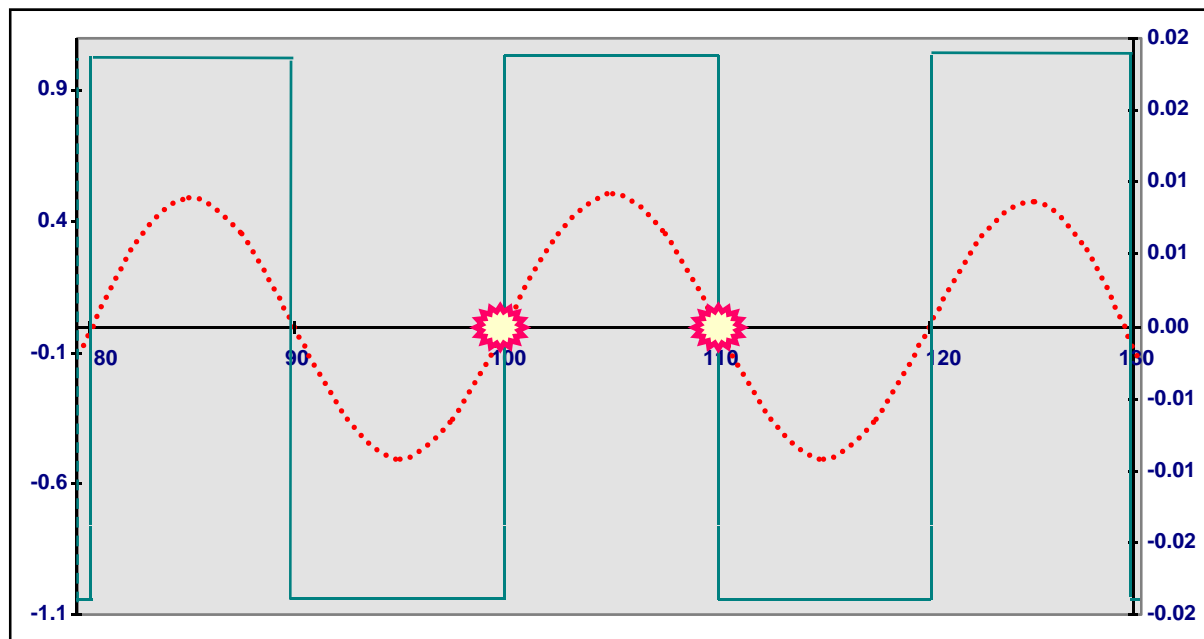
As a hedge, 2 European Digitals  
meet boundary conditions for the  
American Digital.

If  $S$  reaches  $K$ ,  
the European digital is worth  
0.50.

# Static hedge: Double knock-out digital

Normal Model,  $r=0$

2 symmetry points: infinite reflections

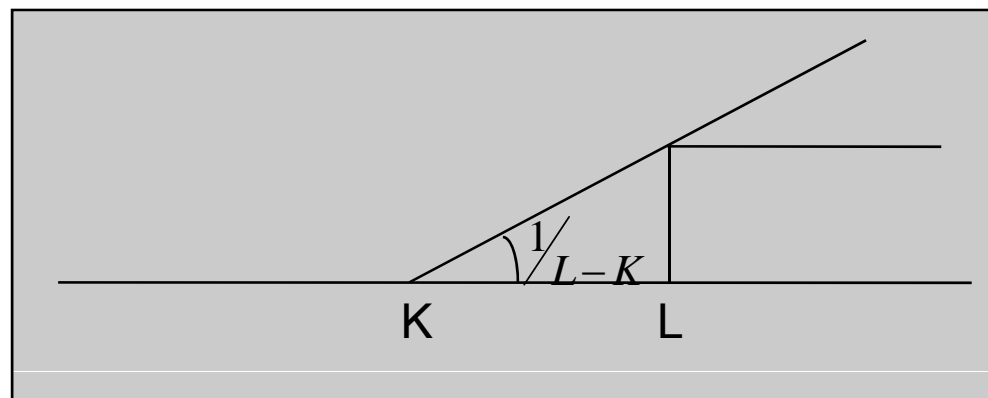


Price & Hedge: infinite series of digitals

# Static Hedging 4: Profile Dominance

$OT_{L,T} \equiv \text{One Touch}$  (give \$1 if L touched before maturity T)

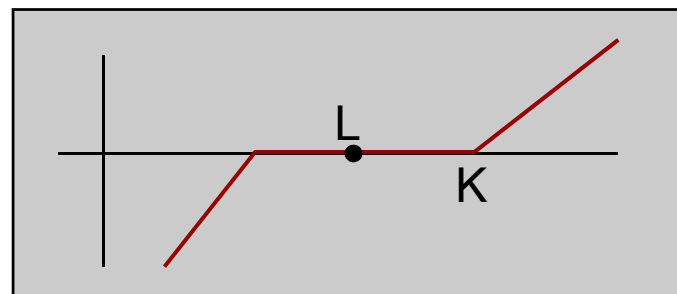
$$\forall K \quad OT_{L,T} \leq \frac{1}{L-K} C_{K,T}$$



If L reached, sell  $\frac{1}{L-K} C_{K,T} \Rightarrow OT_{L,T}(S_0, t_0) \leq \inf_K \frac{1}{L-K} C_{K,T}(S_0, t_0)$

# Static Hedging 5: Model Dominance

- Back to  $DOC_{K,L}$



- An assumption as the skew at L corresponds to an affine model
$$dS = (aS + b)dW \quad (\text{displaced LN})$$
- $DOC_{K,L}$  priced as in BS with shifted K and L gives new hedging PF which is  $>0$  when L is touched if Skew assumption is conservative

# Gamma Projection

- Cancel future  $\Gamma \Rightarrow$  no volatility exposure
- Tracking Error of  $\Delta$  hedging in discrete time  
 $= E\left[\int \sigma^2 \Gamma S^2\right]$  ( $L^2$  norm)
- Minimise future  $\Gamma \Leftrightarrow \underset{\alpha_i}{Min} \left\| X - \sum \alpha_i Y_i \right\|$  where  $Y_i$  are hedging instruments
- Superbucket hedge cancels future  $\Gamma$  in average

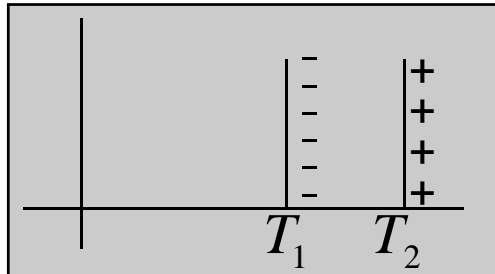
# PCA Hedging

- Identify principal moves of implied volatility surface
- Compute sensitivities of the PF to the first  $n$  factors
- Select a set of hedging instruments and compute their sensitivities
- Find a hedging PF with same sensitivity profile



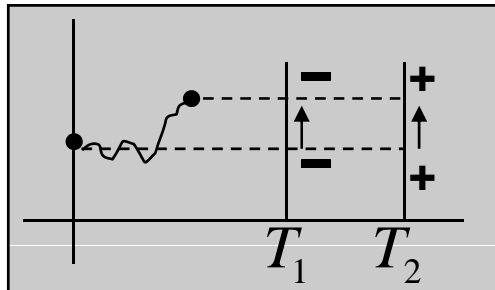
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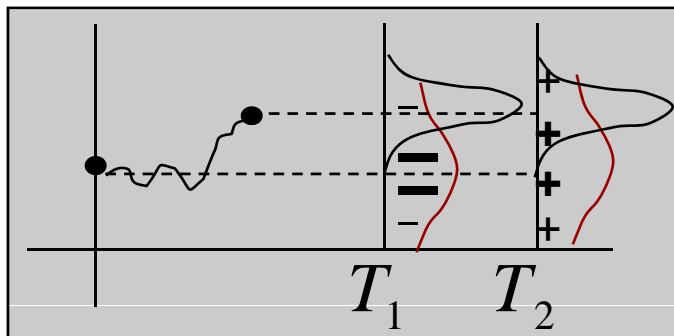
depends on the  
Skew maturity  $T_2$   
observed at  $T_1$

Dynamic  
roll ATM straddle



depends on (unlockable)  
rolling cost

Intermediate  
density weighted



also subject to the  
“rolling coaster of  
rolling costs”

# Conclusion

- Pricing assumes a certain model
- Hedging can be performed
  - within the model
  - outside the model, to hedge against the model
- Hedging is more complex than pricing because depends on
  - the events against which to hedge
  - the instruments with which to hedge

# Volatility Replication

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$$\frac{dS}{S} = \sigma_t dW \quad \text{Apply Ito to } f(S,t).$$

$$df = f_S dS + f_t dt + \frac{1}{2} f_{SS} \sigma_t^2 S^2 dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^T f_{SS}(S_t, t) \sigma_t^2 S^2 dt = 2 \left[ \underbrace{f(S_T, T) - \int_0^T f_t(S_t, t) dt}_{\text{European PF}} - \underbrace{\int_0^T f_S(S_t, t) dS_t}_{\Delta\text{-hedge}} \right]$$

To replicate  $\int_0^T g(S, t) \sigma_t^2 dt$ , find  $f$  /  $g(S, t) = f_{SS}(S, t) S^2$  :  $f = \iint \frac{g}{S^2}$

# Examples

Variance Swap	$g(S, t) = 1$	$f(S, t) = -\ln\left(\frac{S}{S_0}\right)$
Corridor Variance Swap	$g(S, t) = 1_{[a, b]}(S_t)$	$f(S, t) = -\ln\left(\frac{S}{S_0}\right)$ on $[a, b]$ + linear extrapolation
FWD Variance Swap	$g(S, t) = 1_{[T_1, T_2]}(t)$	$f(S, t) = -\ln\left(\frac{S}{S_0}\right) \times 1_{[T_1, T_2]}(t)$
Absolute Variance Swap	$g(S, t) = S^2$	$f(S, t) = \frac{(S - S_0)^2}{2}$
Local Time at level K	$g(S, t) = \delta_K(S)$	$f(S, t) = \frac{(S - K)^+}{K^2}$

# Conditional Instantaneous FWD Variance

From local time:

$$E\left[\int_0^T \sigma_t^2 \delta_K(S) dt\right] = 2 \times \frac{C(K, T)}{K^2}$$

Differentiating wrt T:

$$E[\sigma_T^2 \delta_K(S_T)] = E[\sigma_T^2 | S_T = K] \cdot E[\delta_K(S_T)] = \frac{2}{K^2} \times \frac{\partial C}{\partial T}(K, T)$$

And, as:

$$E[\delta_K(S_T)] = \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}(K, T)$$

$$E[\sigma_T^2 | S_T = K] = \frac{2}{K^2} \times \frac{\frac{\partial C}{\partial T}(K, T)}{\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}(K, T)} = \sigma_{loc}^2(K, T)$$

# Quadratic Variation Related Quantities

- If  $M$  is a martingale

$X \equiv M^2 - \langle M \rangle$  is a martingale and  $X_T = M_0^2 + 2 \int_0^T M_t dM_t$

$Y \equiv e^{M - \frac{1}{2} \langle M \rangle}$  is a martingale and  $Y_T = e^{M_0} + \int_0^T Y_t dM_t$

- Both  $X$  and  $Y$  replicable by  $\Delta$  hedging.

## QV Related Quantities (2)

- $\langle M \rangle$  appears
  - Additively in  $X$  and can be replicated because  $M^2$  is replicated by Europeans
  - Multiplicatively in  $Y$ : requires correlation assumption

Then  $e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle M \rangle}$  becomes replicable. Applying it to  $\lambda M$  for various constant  $\lambda$ 's and combining them make contingent claims on  $\langle M \rangle$  (e.g. vol swaps or options on vol) replicable



# Forward Skew

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In the absence of jump :

$$\text{model fits market} \Leftrightarrow \forall K, T \quad E[\sigma_T^2 | S_T = K] = \sigma_{loc}^2(K, T)$$

This constrains

- a) the sensitivity of the ATM short term volatility wrt S;
- b) the average level of the volatility conditioned to  $S_T=K$ .

a) tells that the sensitivity and the hedge ratio of vanillas depend on the calibration to the vanilla, not on local volatility/ stochastic volatility.

To change them, jumps are needed.

But b) does not say anything on the conditional forward skews.

# Sensitivity of ATM volatility / S

At  $t$ , short term ATM implied volatility  $\sim \sigma_t$ .

As  $\sigma_t$  is random, the sensitivity  $\frac{\partial \sigma^2}{\partial S}$  is defined only in average:

$$E_t[\sigma_{t+\delta t}^2 - \sigma_t^2 | S_{\delta t} = S_t + \delta S] = \sigma_{loc}^2(S_t + \delta S, t + \delta t) - \sigma_{loc}^2(S_t, t) \approx \frac{\partial \sigma_{loc}^2(S, t)}{\partial S} \cdot dS$$

In average,  $\sigma_{ATM}^2$  follows  $\sigma_{loc}^2$ .

Optimal hedge of vanilla under calibrated stochastic volatility corresponds to perfect hedge ratio under LVM.

# Options on Realized Variance

# Delta Hedging

- We assume no interest rates, no dividends, and absolute (as opposed to proportional) definition of volatility
- Extend  $f(x)$  to  $f(x,v)$  as the Bachelier (normal BS) price of  $f$  for start price  $x$  and variance  $v$ :

$$f(x, v) \equiv E^{x,v}[f(X)] \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi v}} \int f(y) e^{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2v}} dy$$

with  $f(x,0) = f(x)$

- Then,  $f_v(x, v) = \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(x, v)$
- We explore various delta hedging strategies

# Calendar Time Delta Hedging

- Delta hedging with constant vol: P&L depends on the path of the volatility and on the path of the spot price.
- Calendar time delta hedge: replication cost of  $f(X_t, \sigma^2 \cdot (T - t))$

$$f(X_0, \sigma^2 \cdot T) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f_{xx} (dQV_{0,u} - \sigma^2 du)$$

- In particular, for  $\sigma = 0$ , replication cost of  $f(X_t)$

$$f(X_0) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f_{xx} dQV_{0,u}$$

# Business Time Delta Hedging

- Delta hedging according to the quadratic variation: P&L that depends only on quadratic variation and spot price

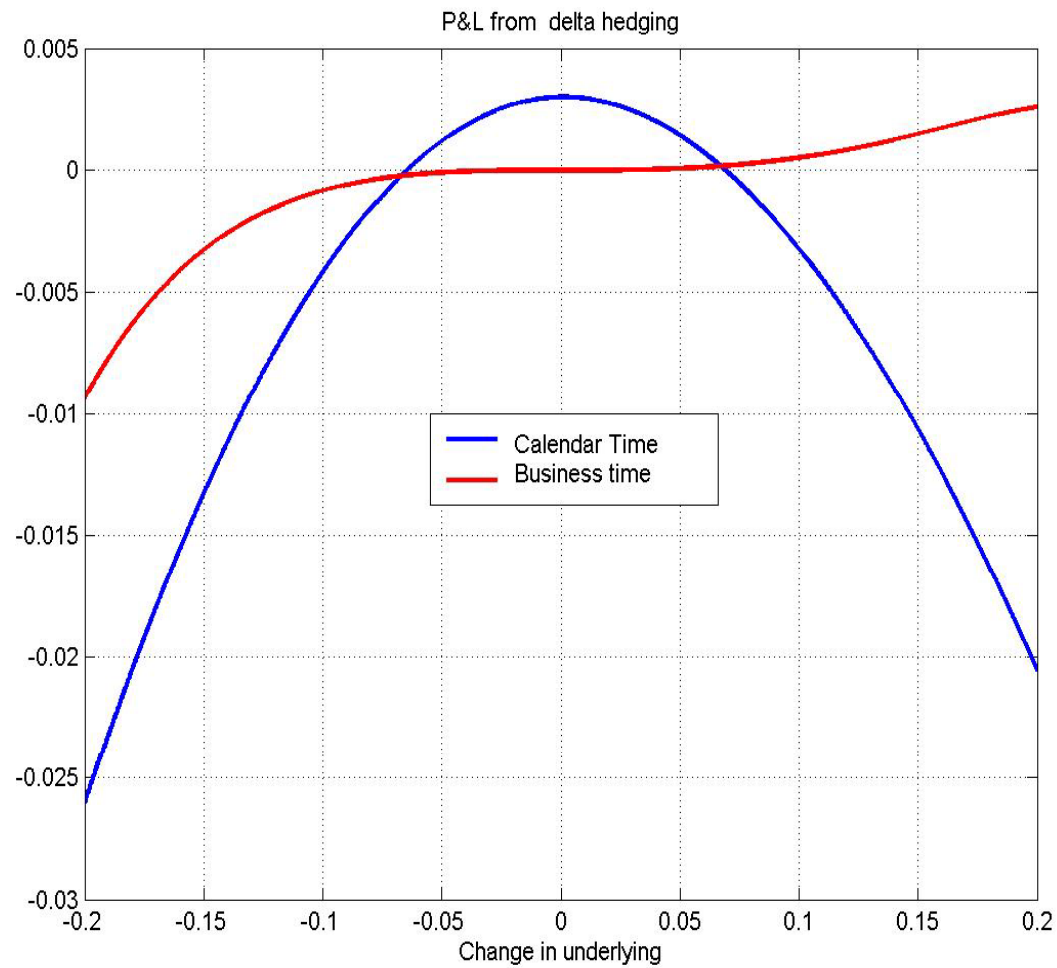
$$df(X_t, L - QV_{0,t}) = f_x dX_t - f_v dQV_{0,t} + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dQV_{0,t} = f_x dX_t$$

- Hence, for  $QV_{0,T} \leq L$ ,

$$f(X_t, L - QV_{0,t}) = f(X_0, L) + \int_0^t f_x(X_u, L - QV_{0,u}) dX_u$$

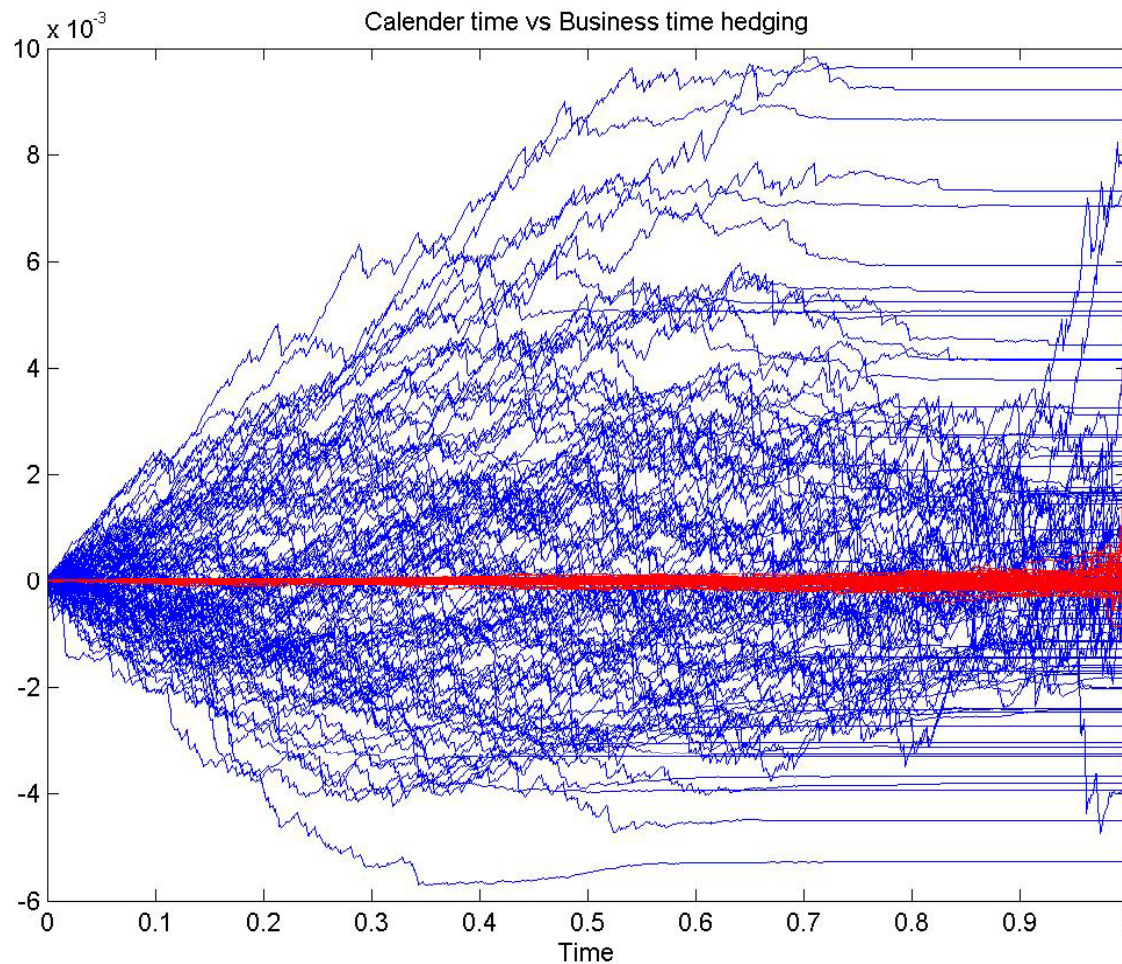
And the replicating cost of  $f(X_t, L - QV_{0,t})$  is  $f(X_0, L)$   
 $f(X_0, L)$  finances exactly the replication of  $f$  until  $\tau : QV_{0,\tau} = L$

# Daily P&L Variation





# Tracking Error Comparison



# Hedge with Variance Call

- Start from  $f(X_0, L)$  and delta hedge  $f$  in “business time”
- If  $V < L$ , you have been able to conduct the replication until  $T$  and your wealth is  $f(X_T, L - V) \geq f(X_T)$
- If  $V > L$ , you “run out of quadratic variation” at  $\tau < T$ . If you then replicate  $f$  with 0 vol until  $T$ , extra cost:

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\tau}^T f''(X_t) dQV_t \leq \frac{M_f}{2} \int_{\tau}^T dQV_t = \frac{M_f}{2} (V - L)$$

where  $M_f \equiv \sup\{f''(x)\}$

- After appropriate delta hedge,  $f(X_0, L) + \frac{M}{2} Call_L^V$  dominates  $f(X_T)$  which has a market price  $f(X_0, L^f)$

# Lower Bound for Variance Call

- $C_L^V$  : price of a variance call of strike L. For all f,

$$C_L^V \geq \frac{2}{M_f} (f(X_0, L^f) - f(X_0, L))$$

- We maximize the RHS for, say,  $M_f \leq 2$
- We decompose f as

$$f(x) = f(X_0) + (x - X_0)f'(X_0) + \int f''(K) \text{Vanilla}_K(x) dK$$

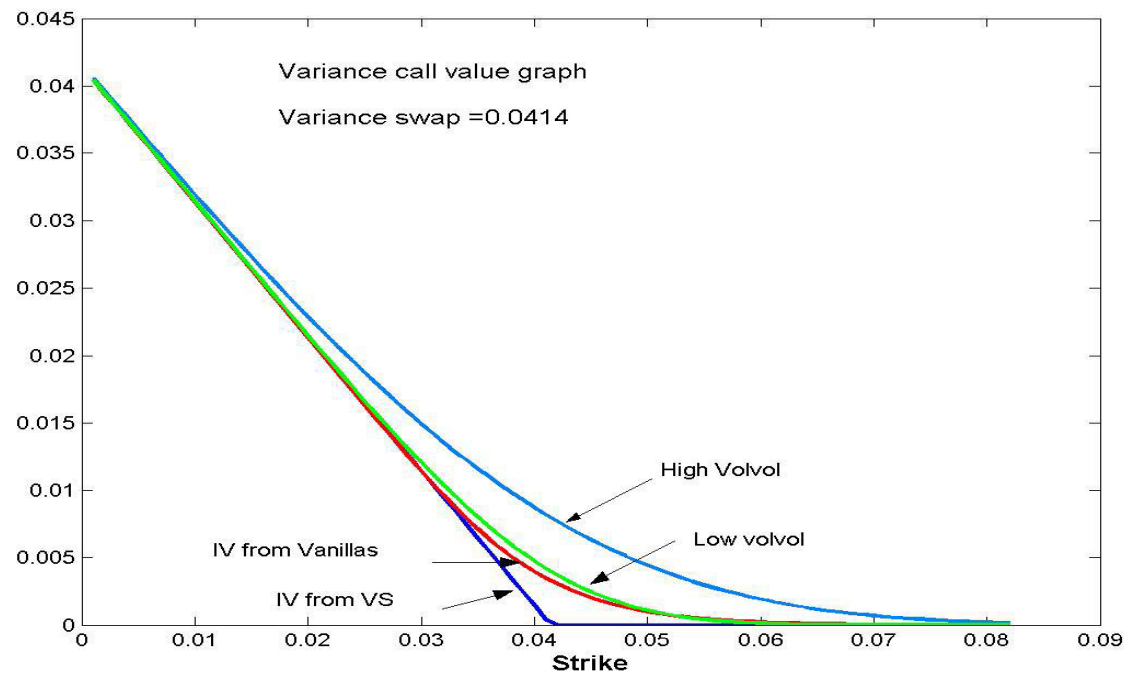
Where  $\text{Vanilla}_K(x) \equiv K - x$  if  $K \leq X_0$  and  $x - K$  otherwise

Then,  $C_L^V \geq \int f''(K)(\text{Van}_K(L^K) - \text{Van}_K(L)) dK$

Where  $\text{Van}_K(v)$  is the price of  $\text{Vanilla}_K(x)$  for variance v  
and  $L^K$  is the market implied variance for strike K

# Lower Bound Strategy

- Maximum when  $f'' = 2$  on  $A \equiv \{K : L^K \geq L\}$  0 elsewhere
  - Then  $f(x) = 2 \int_A \text{Vanilla}_K(x) dK$  (truncated parabola)
- and  $C_L^V \geq 2 \int_A (\text{Van}_K(L^K) - \text{Van}_K(L)) dK$



# Arbitrage Summary

- If a Variance Call of strike  $L$  and maturity  $T$  is below its lower bound:
- 1) at  $t = 0$ ,
  - Buy the variance call
  - Sell all options with implied vol  $\leq \sqrt{\frac{L}{T}}$
- 2) between 0 and  $T$ ,
  - Delta hedge the options in business time
  - If  $\tau < T$ , then carry on the hedge with 0 vol
- 3) at  $T$ , sure gain