Pricing and Hedging American Options using Deep Learning

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```
In []: import numpy as np
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from collections import deque
       from itertools import product
       from tqdm import tqdm
        from gc import collect
        from scipy.stats import norm
        import seaborn as sns
        import pandas as pd
        import tensorflow as tf
        from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
        from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, BatchNormalization, Normalization
        from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam, RMSprop
        from tensorflow.keras.callbacks import EarlyStopping, LearningRateScheduler
        from tensorflow.keras.losses import MeanSquaredError
        from tensorflow.keras.utils import plot_model
In [ ]: sns.set_theme()
```

1 Generating the data

```
In []: # Set up the parameters
    parameters = {
        'd': 5,
        'r': 0.05,
        'delta': 0.1,
        'sigma': 0.2,
        's0': 90,
        'rho': 0,
        'K': 100,
        'T': 3,
```

```
'N': 9,
          'M': 12,
          'batch size': 8120,
          'price steps': 100,
          'hedge steps': 8,
          'lower bound samples': 1_024_000,
          'upper bound repeats': 512,
          'upper bound samples': 512,
          'hedging samples': 8192,
          'hedging error samples': 40_960
        }
In [ ]: def modify_parameters(parameters):
          modified_parameters = parameters.copy()
          modified_parameters['delta'] = 0
          modified_parameters['r'] = 0
          modified_parameters['N'] = modified_parameters['N'] * modified_parameters['M']
          return modified_parameters
```

number_of_samples brownian motions in time interval [0, t] are generated by sampling independent increments from a gaussian distribution and calculating partial sums of increments.

The resulting array will be of shape (number of samples, time points, dimension)

For each brownian motion sample generates num_repeats continuations from each time point of the sample the continuation will be same until some specified time point and will be sampled independently afterwards.

The resulting array will be of shape (num of samples, distinction time point, number of repeats, time point, dimension).

Creates stock prices processes based on brownian motion process. The processes are computed via the formula in the paper:

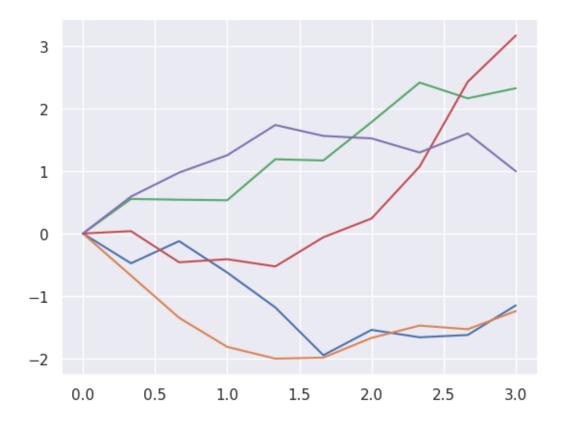
$$S_t^i = s_0^i \exp([r - \delta_i - \sigma_i^2/2]t + \sigma_i W_t^i), \quad i = 1, ..., d$$

The resulting array will be of shape (number of samples, dimension).

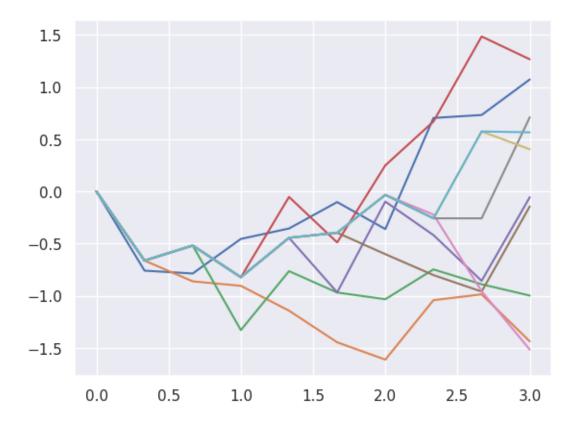
Continues the stock prices in the same way as brownian motions.

Code to plot processes it takes an array of shape (time points, dimension) as input and plots each dimension separately in time.

Plot of a 5 dimensonal brownian motion

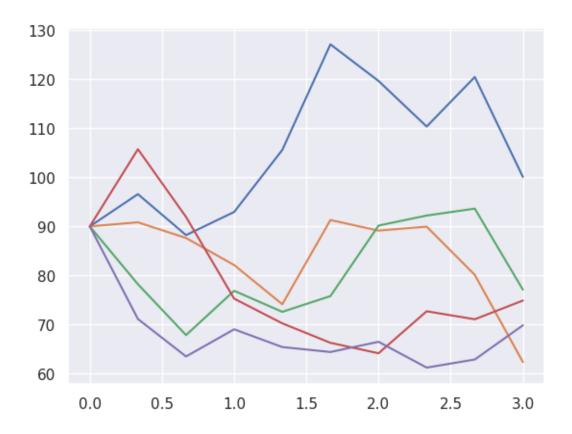


Plot of single dimensional brownian motion continuations

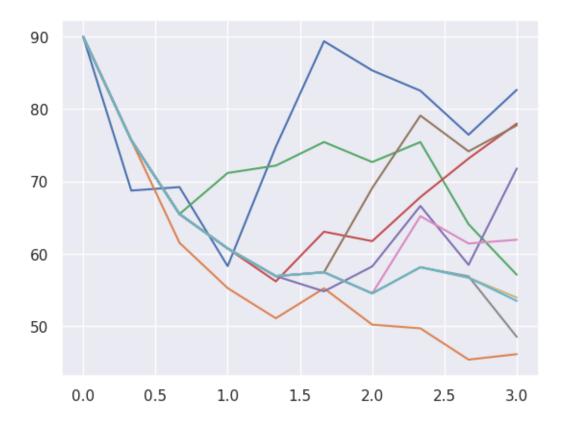


Stock prices of 5 assets modeled by geometric brownian motion

```
In []: prices = stock_price_processes(parameters, 1)
         plot_processes(prices[0], parameters)
         del prices
         collect();
```

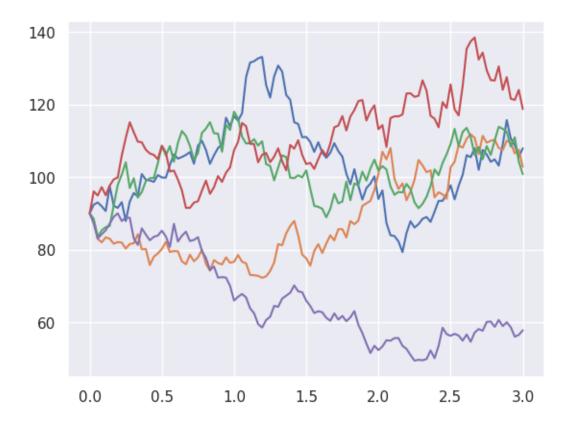


Plot of continuations of a stock price



Plot of hedging instruments (Each interval is split into M subintervals).

Out[]: 3931



2 Continuation value approximation

As suggested by the paper training the continuations values work more effectively when we used option payoff as an aditional feature. So we add a last dimension to our data namely:

$$\hat{X}_n = (X_1^1, \dots, X_n^d, X_n^{d+1})$$

where we have defined:

$$X_n^{d+1} = e^{-r\frac{nT}{n}} \left(\max_{1 \le i \le d} X_n^i - k \right)^+$$

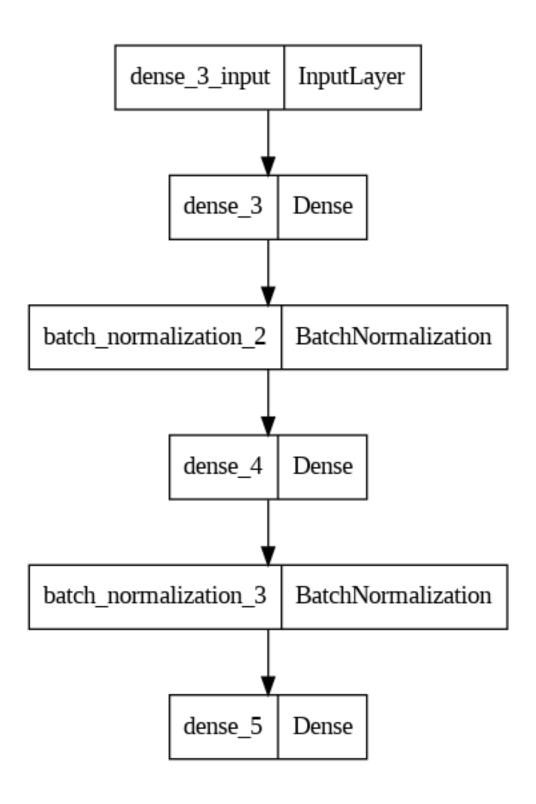
```
In []: def add_feature(samples, parameters):
    new_samples = np.zeros(samples.shape[:-1] + (samples.shape[-1] + 1,))
    times = np.linspace(0, parameters['T'], samples.shape[1])
    new_samples[..., :-1] = samples
    new_samples[..., -1] = np.maximum(samples.max(axis=-1) - parameters['K'], 0) * np.exy
    return new_samples
```

As suggested by the paper the model will be a neural network with two hidden layers of dimension d + 50 each and activation function of tanh followed by batch normalization.

```
In [ ]: def get_continuation_value_model(parameters):
       model = Sequential([
           Dense(parameters['d'] + 50, activation='tanh', input_shape=(parameters['d'] + 1,
           BatchNormalization(),
           Dense(parameters['d'] + 50, activation='tanh'),
           BatchNormalization(),
           Dense(1)
       ])
       return model
In [ ]: get_continuation_value_model(parameters).summary()
Model: "sequential"
               Output Shape
Layer (type)
______
dense (Dense)
                       (None, 55)
                                           385
batch_normalization (BatchN (None, 55)
                                           220
ormalization)
dense_1 (Dense)
                       (None, 55)
                                           3080
batch_normalization_1 (Batc (None, 55)
                                           220
hNormalization)
dense_2 (Dense)
                       (None, 1)
                                           56
_____
Total params: 3,961
Trainable params: 3,741
Non-trainable params: 220
______
```

A predictor class providing same functionality as keras model but always predicting a constant will be used for model 0 of the paper and an artificial last layer to make the code cleaner.

```
In []: plot_model(get_continuation_value_model(parameters))
Out[None]:
```



```
def predict(self, x, batch_size=None, verbose=False):
   return np.ones(x.shape[0]) * self.average

def __call__(self, x):
   return self.predict(x)
```

Learning rate scheduler suggested by the paper. The structure is a bit different from paper it starts with learning rate 0.001 and divides it by 10 after 1500 batches.

```
In []: def lr_scheduler(epoch, lr):
        if epoch in [15]:
        return lr / 10
        else:
        return lr
```

The code for learning continuation values as explained in the paper the following steps are taken in order to fit the neural networks:

- 1. Simulate paths (x_n^k) , k = 1, 2, ..., K of the underlying process $(X_n)_{n=0}^N$.
- 2. Set $s_N^k \equiv N$ for all k. s_n will server as the optimal stopping times when we stop after step n.
- 3. For $1 \le n \le N-1$, approximate $\mathbb{E}[G_{\tau_{n+1}}|X_n]$ with $c^{\theta_n}(X_n)$ by minimizing the sum:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} (g(s_{n+1}^{k}, x_{s_{n+1}^{k}}^{k}) - c^{\theta_{n}}(x_{n}^{k}))^{2}$$

4. Set

$$s_n^k = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } g(n, x_n^k) \ge c^{\theta_n}(x_n^k) \\ s_{n+1}^k & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5. Define $\theta_0 := \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K g(s_1^k, x_{s_1^k}^k)$, and set c^{θ} constantly equal to θ_0 .

An aditional model predicting constantly infinity is added for convient. (You should never continue after time n so the continuation value should be $-\infty$.

```
In []: def get_continuation_models(parameters):
    models = deque()
    optimal_stops = [parameters['N'] for _ in range(parameters['batch size'] * parameters
    samples = add_feature(stock_price_processes(parameters, parameters['batch size'] * parameters
    for time in tqdm(range(parameters['N'] - 1, 0, -1)):
        X_train = samples[:, time, :]
        y_train = samples[range(parameters['batch size'] * parameters['price steps']), optimodel = get_continuation_value_model(parameters)
        if models:
            model.set_weights(models[0].get_weights())
        model.compile(loss='mse', optimizer=Adam(learning_rate=0.001))
```

```
model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=30 if models else 60, batch_size=parameters['bat'
models.appendleft(model)
continuations = model.predict(X_train, batch_size=parameters['batch size'], verbose
optimal_stops = [time if continuations[i] <= samples[i, time, -1] else optimal_stop
average = np.array(samples[range(parameters['batch size'] * parameters['price steps']
models.appendleft(predictor(average))
models.append(predictor(-float('inf')))
return list(models)</pre>
```

A function to get the stopping times based on continuation value models based on the recursion:

$$\tau_n = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } G_n \ge \mathbb{E}[G_{\tau_{n+1}}|X_n] \\ \tau_{n+1} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

we define stopping times as:

$$\tau^{\Theta} := \min\{n \in \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\} : g(n, X_n) \ge c^{\theta_n}(X_n)\}\$$

We take a mask in each step which indicates which samples we have not reached stopping time yet. This helps vectorizing the computation and each time we give teh complete data of each time step as input instead of iterating over the samples.

3 Get Lower bound and Upper bounds

3.1 Lower bound

In this function we generate independent sample paths $(x_n^k)_{n=0}^N$, $k = K, K+1, ..., K+K_L$, of $(X_n)_{n=0}^N$ and approximate the lower bound L with the monte carlo average:

$$\hat{L} = \frac{1}{K_L} \sum_{k=K+1}^{K+K_L} g^k$$

Where g^k is the realization of $g(\tau^{\Theta}, X_{\tau^{\Theta}})$ along k'th sample. Also by computing the sample standard deviation:

$$\hat{\sigma_L} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K_L - 1} \sum_{k=K+1}^{K+K_L} (g^k - \hat{L})^2}$$

and using central limit theorem if we denote by $z_{\alpha/2}$ the $1 - \alpha/2$ quantile of standard normal distribution we an asymptotically valid $1 - \alpha/2$ confidence interval:

$$\left[\hat{L} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\sigma_L}}{\sqrt{K_L}}, \infty\right)$$

3.2 Upper bound

In order to compute the upper bound for the value of the option We need unbiased estimates of the continuation values based on computed stopping times. Taking exactly the result of model is obviously biased (because of using only one sample) In order to make it unbiased we generate several continuations for each path and time step and average the coresponding continuation values.

Uses unbiased estimates for the continuation values to compute martingale part of approximation for snell's envelope:

```
M_n^{\theta} - M_{n-1}^{\theta} = 1_{\{C_N^{\Theta} \le g(n, X_n)\}} g(n, X_n) + 1_{\{C_N^{\Theta} > g(n, X_n)\}} C_n^{\theta} - C_{n-1}
```

return martingales

Computes the upper bound based on the relation:

$$V_0 \leq \mathbb{E}\left[\max_{0 \leq n \leq N} (g(n, X_n) - M_n - \epsilon_n)\right]$$

by generating independent relizations of m_n^k of $M_n^\theta + \epsilon$ along independent relizations $(x_n^k)_{n=0}^N, k=1,\ldots,K$ and estimates U as:

$$\hat{U} = \frac{1}{K_u} \sum_{k=K+K_L+1}^{K+K_L+K_U} \max_{0 \le n \le N} (g(n, x_n^k) - m_n^k)$$

based on the sample standard deviation:

$$\hat{U} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K_u - 1} \sum_{k = K + K_L + 1}^{K + K_L + K_U} (\max_{0 \le n \le N} (g(n, x_n^k) - m_n^k) - \hat{U})^2}$$

We get the $1 - \alpha/2$ confidence interval:

$$\left(-\infty, \hat{U} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\sigma_U}}{\sqrt{K_u}}\right]$$

The point estimate is given by:

$$\hat{V} = \frac{\hat{L} + \hat{U}}{2}$$

and $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval is given by:

$$\left[\hat{L} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\sigma_L}}{\sqrt{K_L}}, \hat{U} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\sigma_U}}{\sqrt{K_U}}\right]$$

Estimates the price with a confidence interval based on the parameters in the paper.

```
continuation_models = get_continuation_models(parameters)
    point_estimate, confidence_interval = get_point_estimate_and_confindence_interval(parameto_dataframe_list.append([d, s0, point_estimate, f'[{confidence_interval[0]}, {confidence_interval[0]}, {confidence_interva
```

The results are a bit less accurate than the paper due to shorter tarining time and using smaller samples because of RAM and GPU limits in colab but they are accurate enought to ensure the correctness of implementation.

```
In [ ]: price_estimation_results
```

batch_normalization_100 (Ba (None, 60)

```
d s0 Point Estimate
Out[]:
                                                  95% confidence interval
             90
                       16.583213 [16.328291815860617, 16.925829869544604]
       0
                                 [25.878481168374357, 26.33529173631315]
       1
         5 100
                       26.066984
         5 110
                       36.656044
                                 [36.25839442892457, 37.16202627668781]
       3 10 90
                                   [25.85291989546661, 26.413441582477905]
                       26.087416
                                     [37.72118684121251, 38.5852557650039]
       4 10 100
                       38.092223
                       50.621243 [50.287022719046576, 51.062966013000384]
         10 110
```

3.3 Hedging

The model we use for modeling amount of hedge there are two hidden layers with d + 50 layers and tanh activation function and batch normalization.

```
In [ ]: def get_hedging_model(parameters):
        return Sequential([
            Dense(parameters['d'] + 50, activation='tanh', input_shape=(parameters['d'],)),
            BatchNormalization(),
            Dense(parameters['d'] + 50, activation='tanh'),
            BatchNormalization(),
            Dense(parameters['d'])
        ])
In [ ]: get_hedging_model(parameters).summary()
Model: "sequential_50"
                         Output Shape
Layer (type)
                                                Param #
______
dense_150 (Dense)
                         (None, 60)
                                                 660
```

240

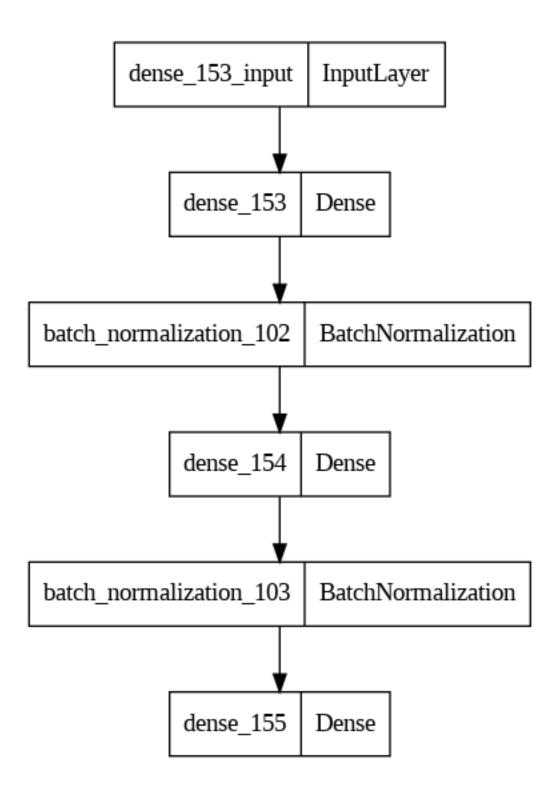
tchNormalization)

dense_151 (Dense)	(None, 60)	3660
<pre>batch_normalization_101 (Ba tchNormalization)</pre>	(None, 60)	240
dense_152 (Dense)	(None, 10)	610

Total params: 5,410 Trainable params: 5,170 Non-trainable params: 240

In []: plot_model(get_hedging_model(parameters))

Out[None]:



Code to train simultaniously *M* neural network to minimize hedging error in one subinterval. The computation does not completely fit into a keras model so we create manually a training loop at each epoch the training loss is evaluated by summing up heding results in each interval and seeing how much we missed the on the hedge.

The weights of neural networks trained on previous subinterval are used to initialize the wights if they are given in previous_models argument.

The network parameters h_{λ_m} are trained to minimize the error:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_H} (C^{\theta_{n-1}}(y_{(n-1)M}^k) + \sum_{m=(n-1)M}^{nM-1} h^{\lambda_m}(y_m^k) \cdot (p_{m+1}(y_{m+1}^k) - p_m(y_m^k)) - v^{\theta_n}(y_{nM}^k))^2$$

Where p_m is the value of hedging instruments at time m and:

$$v^{\theta_n}(x) := g(n, x) \vee c^{\theta_n}(x)$$

The hedging instruments are also of the form:

$$P_{u_m}^i = s_0 \exp(\sigma W_{u_m}^i - \sigma^2 u_m/2)$$

i.e stocks with dividends continuasly reinvested in the same stock.

```
In []: def train_single_interval(parameters, stock, hedging_instruments, continuation_models,
          models = [get_hedging_model(parameters) for _ in range(parameters['M'])]
          if previous_models is not None:
            for model, copy_model in zip(models, previous_models):
              model.set_weights(copy_model.get_weights())
          weights = []
          for model in models:
            weights.extend(model.trainable_weights)
          optimizer = Adam()
          value_at_future = np.maximum(continuation_models[1].predict(stock[:, -1], verbose=Faller
          pbar = tqdm(range(epoch))
          for _ in pbar:
            loss = 0
            with tf.GradientTape() as tape:
              predictions = tf.squeeze(continuation_models[0](stock[:, 0]))
              for i in range(parameters['M']):
                predictions = tf.add(tf.cast(predictions, tf.float32), tf.reduce_sum(models[i]
              loss = MeanSquaredError()(value_at_future, predictions)
            grads = tape.gradient(loss, weights)
            optimizer.apply_gradients(zip(grads, weights))
            pbar.set_description(f'loss: {float(loss.numpy())}')
          return models
```

Code to train the neural network for each sub interval.

Calculate hedging error and hedging shortfall by creating independent samples and caculating the averaging hedging error and hedging shortfall for them.

Compute the hedging results on parameters specified in the paper.

```
In []: ds = [5]
        s0s = [90, 100, 110]
        ms = [12]
        to_dataframe_list = []
        for d, s0, m in product(ds, s0s, ms):
          collect()
          parameters['d'] = d
          parameters['s0'] = s0
          parameters['M'] = m
          continuation_models = get_continuation_models(parameters)
          hedging_models = get_hedging_models(parameters)
          one_step_errors = get_hedging_error(parameters, hedging_models, continuation_models,
          total_errors = get_hedging_error(parameters, hedging_models, continuation_models, one
          to_dataframe_list.append([d, s0, m, one_step_errors.mean(), np.abs(one_step_errors[one_step_errors])
                                     total_errors.mean(), np.abs(total_errors[one_step_errors <</pre>
          del continuation_models, hedging_models, one_step_errors, total_errors
          collect()
        hedging_results = pd.DataFrame(to_dataframe_list, columns=['d', 's0', 'M', 'IHE', 'IHS'
100%|| 8/8 [02:41<00:00, 20.16s/it]
               | 0/300 [00:00<?, ?it/s]WARNING:tensorflow:5 out of the last 5 calls to <function
WARNING:tensorflow:6 out of the last 6 calls to <function _BaseOptimizer._update_step_xla at 0:
loss: 2.066514015197754: 100%|| 300/300 [02:05<00:00, 2.40it/s]
loss: 6.703769207000732: 100%|| 100/100 [00:53<00:00, 1.87it/s]
loss: 7.10136604309082: 100%|| 100/100 [00:55<00:00, 1.82it/s]
loss: 6.418933868408203: 100%|| 100/100 [00:55<00:00, 1.80it/s]
loss: 6.267137050628662: 100%|| 100/100 [00:56<00:00, 1.76it/s]
loss: 7.1046881675720215: 100%|| 100/100 [00:57<00:00, 1.75it/s]
```

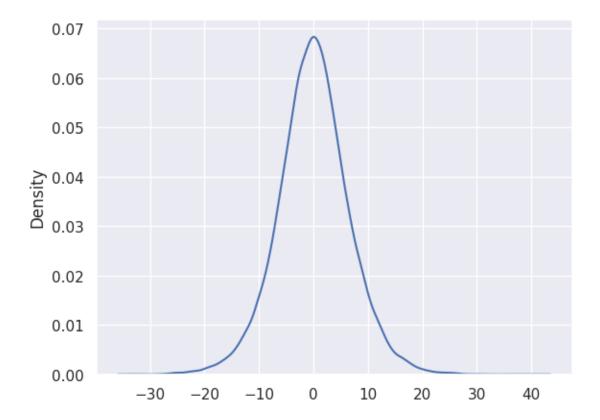
loss: 11.12924575805664: 100%|| 100/100 [00:56<00:00, 1.78it/s]

```
loss: 11.276144027709961: 100%|| 100/100 [00:55<00:00, 1.81it/s] loss: 13.22627067565918: 100%|| 100/100 [00:57<00:00, 1.75it/s]
```

Result for higher dimensions could not fit into RAM due to RAM limit of colab. The Heding Error and Hedging shortfall are small enough to ensure correctness of implementation.

```
In [ ]: hedging_results
Out[]:
          d
              s0
                   Μ
                           IHE
                                     IHS
                                           IHS / V
                                                          ΗE
                                                                    HS
                                                                          HS / V
              90 12 0.712886
                                1.020717 0.061939
                                                             4.896300
        0
                                                    0.028708
                                                                        0.297115
        1 5 100 12 0.513142
                                1.223778 0.047181 0.105874 4.658804
                                                                        0.179612
             110 12 -0.318863
                                1.517249 0.041512 0.104633 4.959441
In [ ]: parameters['d'] = 5
       parameters['s'] = 90
       parameters['m'] = 12
       continuation_models = get_continuation_models(parameters)
       hedging_models = get_hedging_models(parameters)
       total_errors = get_hedging_error(parameters, hedging_models, continuation_models, one_s
100%|| 8/8 [03:08<00:00, 23.60s/it]
loss: 3.21195650100708: 100%|| 300/300 [02:12<00:00, 2.27it/s]
loss: 12.125414848327637: 100%|| 100/100 [01:02<00:00, 1.60it/s]
loss: 9.646745681762695: 100%|| 100/100 [00:59<00:00, 1.69it/s]
loss: 7.639955043792725: 100%|| 100/100 [00:56<00:00, 1.77it/s]
loss: 7.48165225982666: 100%|| 100/100 [00:55<00:00, 1.80it/s]
loss: 7.587880611419678: 100%|| 100/100 [00:56<00:00, 1.76it/s]
loss: 9.872846603393555: 100%|| 100/100 [00:58<00:00, 1.70it/s]
loss: 13.4998140335083: 100%|| 100/100 [00:55<00:00, 1.82it/s]
loss: 18.091604232788086: 100%|| 100/100 [00:58<00:00, 1.71it/s]
```

In []: sns.kdeplot(total_errors);



In []: