MATTEO GARDINI

Curriculum Vitae

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About me

Ph.D. Quantitative Researcher with 10+ years of experience in energy markets, specializing in stochastic modeling and derivatives pricing. Played a key role in building quantitative teams at Eni Plenitude and ERG. Passionate about mathematics, programming and innovation in energy finance. Seeking a new challenge in quantitative modeling.

Working Experiences

2021 – present **Quantitative Researcher**, Eni-Plenitude S.p.A., Milan.

- European power and gas forward curves construction ensuring compliance with non-arbitrage constraints.
- Developed a Python pricing library, Improving pricing efficiency by 25%, enabling advanced simulations for energy derivatives, and enhancing code maintainability for long-term scalability and ease of updates:
 - Two-factor model and the Schwartz-Smith model.
 - Stochastic model with double exponential jumps for energy spot prices.
 - Heath-Jarrow-Morton framework for energy markets
- Stochastic models for renewable production simulation.
- o Energy derivatives pricing: swing, gas storage, American and European vanilla options, virtual power plants and weather contracts.
- o Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) evaluation.

2017 – 2021 **Quantitative Analyst**, ERG S.p.A., Genoa.

- · Lévy processes derivative pricing: Black76, Variance Gamma, Merton Jump-Diffusion and Normal Inverse Gaussian: Monte Carlo Simulations.
- o Risk metrics computation: Par, VaR, CVaR, and greeks under a HJM framework of large portfolios of financial deals and physical assets.
- o Grafical User Intrerface (GUI) for derivatives valuation, enabling traders to autonomously price complex instruments, significantly improving speed and efficiency in daily operations.
- o Hull-White model for the Euribor rate: historical calibration and Monte Carlo simulations.

2014 – 2016 **Quantitative Analyst**, A2A Trading, Milan.

- Developed a MILP optimization model for optimal dispatching of hydroelectric facilities, supporting long-term operational forecasting and enhancing the effectiveness of the generation programming strategy.
- o MATLAB implementation with GUI of the Euphemia algorithm adapted to the Italian power spot market, used to simulate long-term market scenarios such as coal phase-out and increased renewable penetration. (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.09782).
- o Italian energy market players Cluster analysis based on a k-means algorithm, aimed at identifying typical competitor bidding patterns to improve and optimize the company's bidding strategy.

Teaching Experiences

2023 - present Adjunct professor, Department of Mathematics, Politecnico of Milan, Advanced Mathematical Models in Finance.

Portfolio theory, Binomial trees, option pricing with Python under Black76 model, Swap Curve Construction.

2022 - 2023 Adjunct professor, Department of Mathematics, University of Genoa, Computational Finance. Stochastic calculus, Brownian motion, Black-Scholes model, Lévy processes, derivatives pricing by PDE approach, Monte Carlo techniques and Fourier methods.

2022 - 2023 Adjunct professor, Department of Economics, University of Genoa, General Mathematics.

2019 - 2020 Adjunct professor, Department of Mathematics, University of Genoa, Financial Engineering. Stochastic calculus, Brownian motion, Black-Scholes model, Lévy processes, European and American derivatives pricing by PDE approach, Monte Carlo techniques and Fourier methods.

Education

2018 – 2022 **PhD - Applied Mathematics**, *Self-decomposability and multidimensional Lévy processes in Finance*, Università degli Studi di Genova.

Thesis: Financial models in continuous time with self-decomposability: application to the pricing of energy derivatives.

2011 – 2013 **Master Degree - Mathematical Engineering**, *Quantitative Finance*, Politecnico di Milano, Milan. Thesis: *Option pricing in regime-switching*.

2007 – 2011 **Bachelor Degree - Mathematical Engineering**, Politecnico di Milano, Milan. Thesis: *Infinitely divisible matrices*

2002 – 2007 **Scientific Diploma**, *Scientific High School Antonio Banfi*, Vimercate.

Publications

Journal Articles

- 2024 **A** Heath-Jarrow-Morton framework for energy markets: review and applications for practitioners, Gardini, M. and Santilli, E., in *Decision in Economics and Finance*.
- 2023 **Exchange option pricing under variance gamma-like models**, Gardini, M. and Sabino, P., in *Applied Mathematical Finance*.
- The Variance Gamma++ Process and Applications to Energy Markets, Gardini, M. and Sabino, P. and Sasso, E., in Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry.
- A bivariate Normal Inverse Gaussian process with stochastic delay: efficient simulations and applications to energy markets, Gardini, M. and Sabino, P. and Sasso, E., in *Applied Mathematical Finance*.
- 2021 Correlating Lévy processes with Self-Decomposability: Applications to Energy Markets, Gardini, M. and Sabino, P. and Sasso, E., in *Decision in Economics and Finance*.

Pre-prints

2025 Closed-form Option Formulas for Kou-like Models, Gardini, M. and Sabino, P..

Computer skills

Programming

Languages

- Python, MATLAB
- SQL
- o C++, C, VBA
- o R, CUDA, MPI

Other skills

- Office Suite, GIT
- Copilot, Chat GPT, LATEX



