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Intra day high frequency trading : from empirical evidences to quantitative optimization

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Pre high-frequency world

All seems to be smooth and regular, like a landscape covered by snow.



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Post high-frequency world

Now we discover some singularities: the world is not as linear as we thought.



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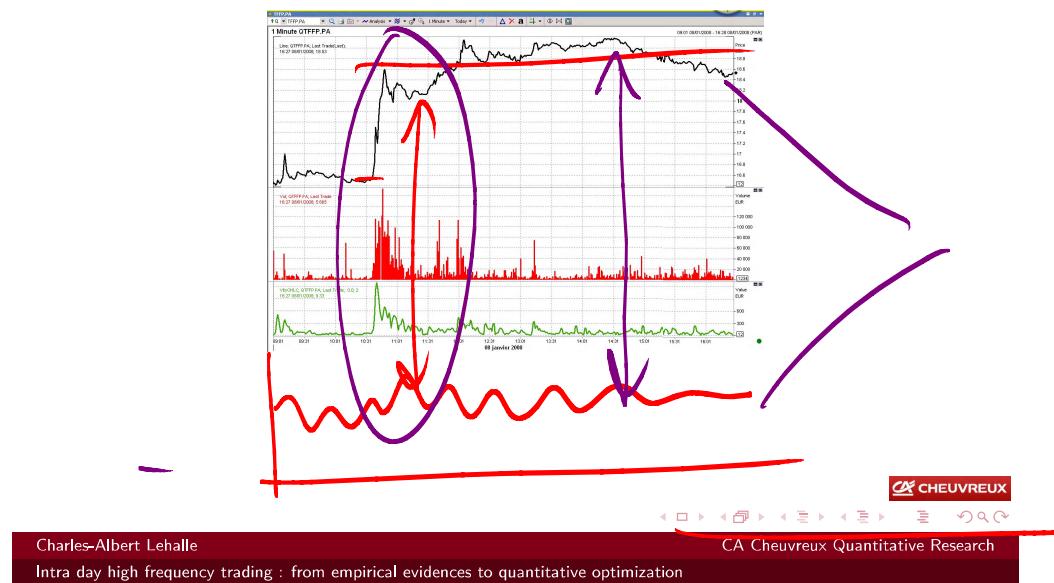
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Here we will not focus on the fair value estimation process, but on how to deal with the price formation process.

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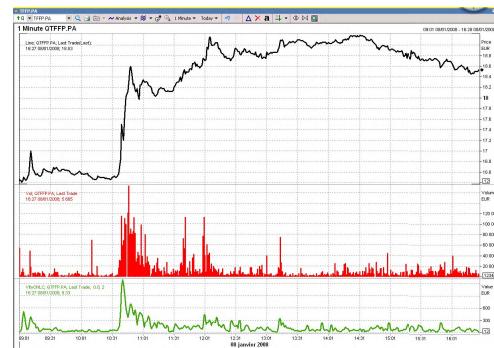
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This vision is the Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) one: a worldwide market driven by **few systematic factors**. In this framework some temporary explorations are conducted by isolated stocks or sectors (**specifics explorations**).

Extra day arbitrageurs focus on those aspects. At intra day scale, we try to understand and detect when and how auction mechanisms of market places are able to absorb such trajectories.



Propagation - correlations

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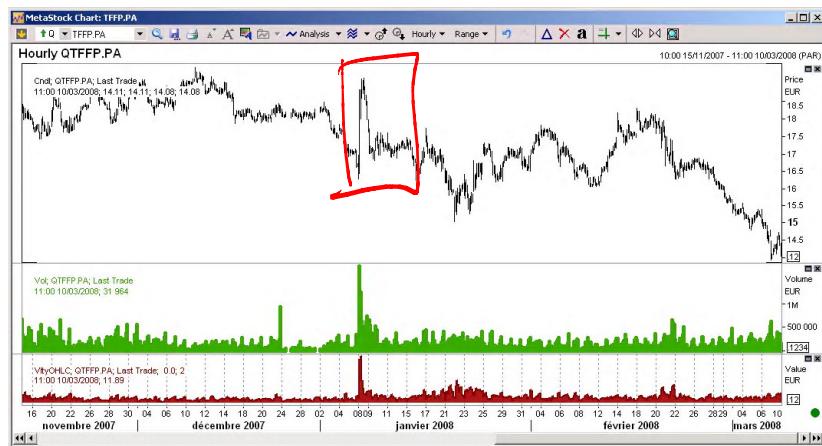
Propagation - zooming out: 30 minutes



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Propagation - zooming out: 1 hour



Propagation - zooming out: daily



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Propagation - sector: daily media



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- Two main evolutions of stock trading
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work

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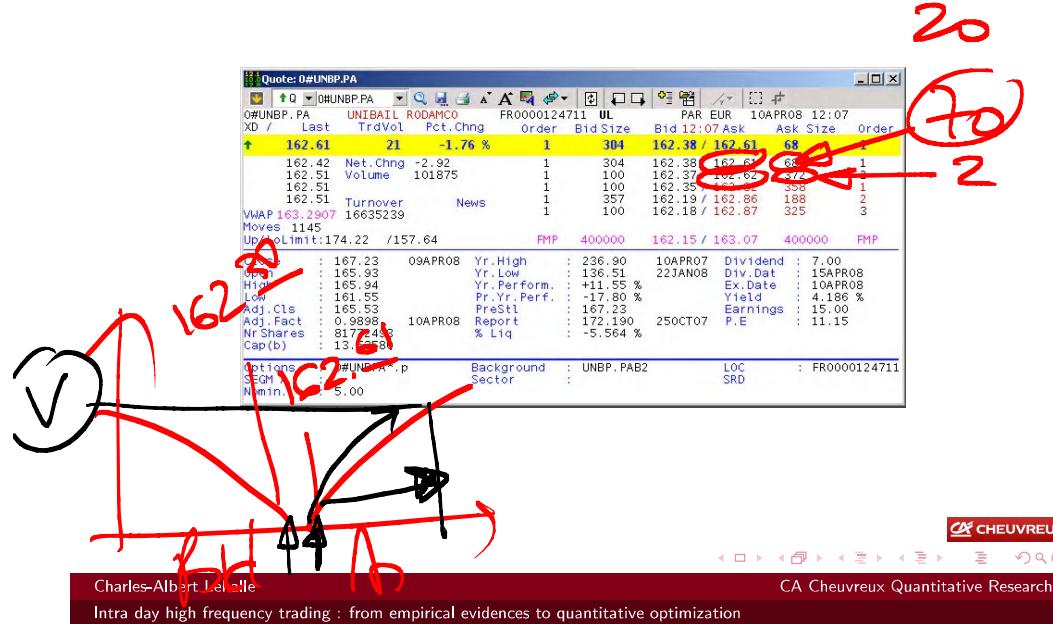
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Each agent place orders at given prices for given quantities, when they match: a transaction occurs

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XD /	Last	TrdVol	Pct.Chng	Order	Bid Size		Bid 12:07	Ask	Ask Size	Order
+	162.61	21	-1.76 %	1	304		162.38 /	162.61	68	1
	162.42	Net.Chng	-2.92	1	304		162.38 /	162.61	68	1
	162.42	Volume	101875	1	300		162.38 /	162.61	372	2
	162.51			1	100		162.35 /	162.82	358	1
	162.51	Turnover	News	1	357		162.19 /	162.86	188	2
VMAP	163.2907			1	100		162.18 /	162.87	325	3
Moves	1145									
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Low	161.55		P.R.Yr. Perf.		-17.80 %			Yield	4.186 %	
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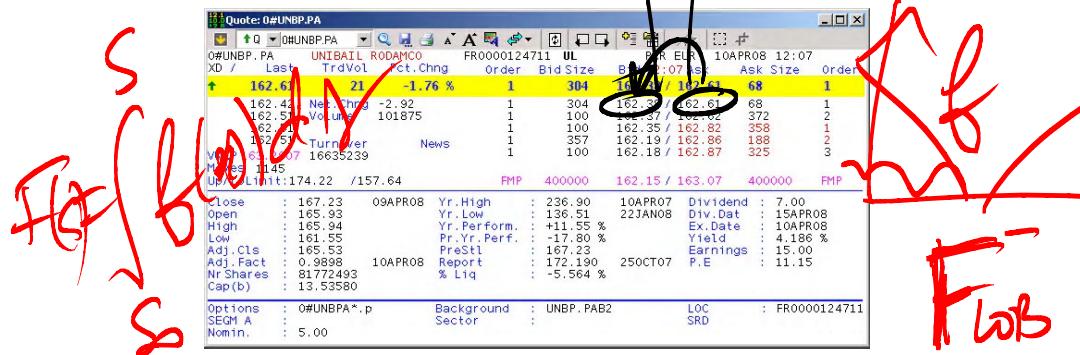
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Bids and asks: from orders to LOB

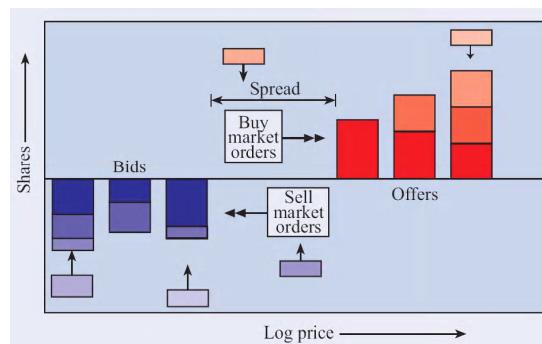


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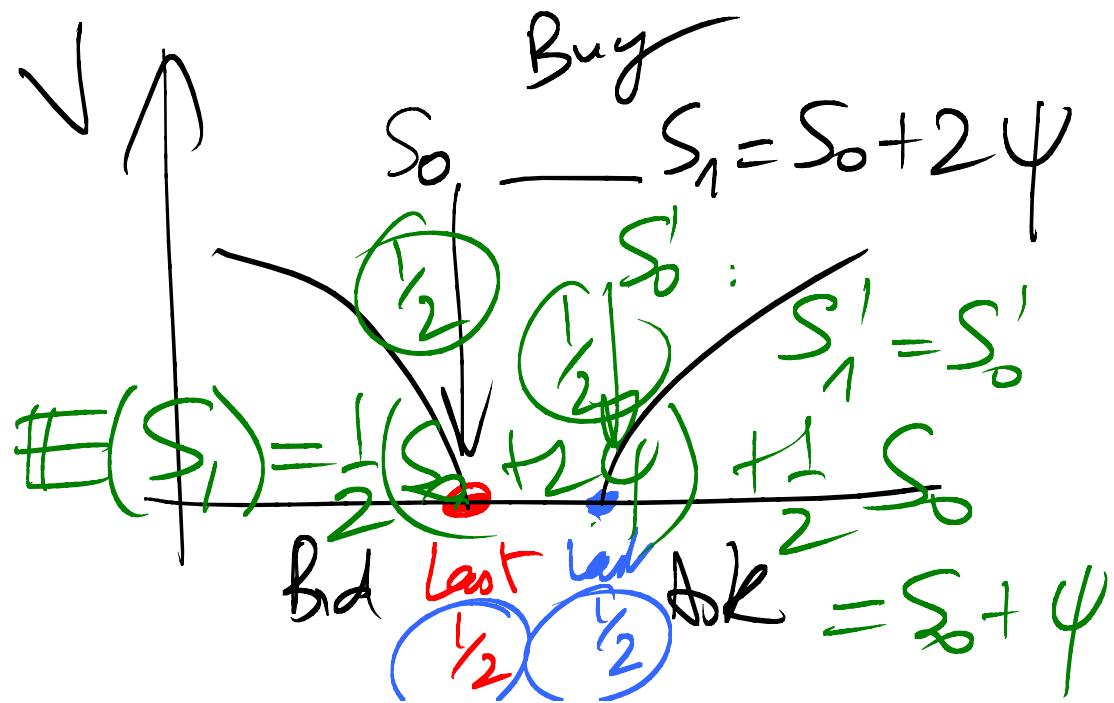
Notations: f_{LOB}^{\pm} for densities, F_{LOB}^{\pm} for cumulated quantities

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From orders to LOB



Statistical theory of the continuous double auction - Eric Smith , J Doyne Farmer, Laszlo Gillemot and Supriya Krishnamurthy - Santa Fe Institute - September 2003



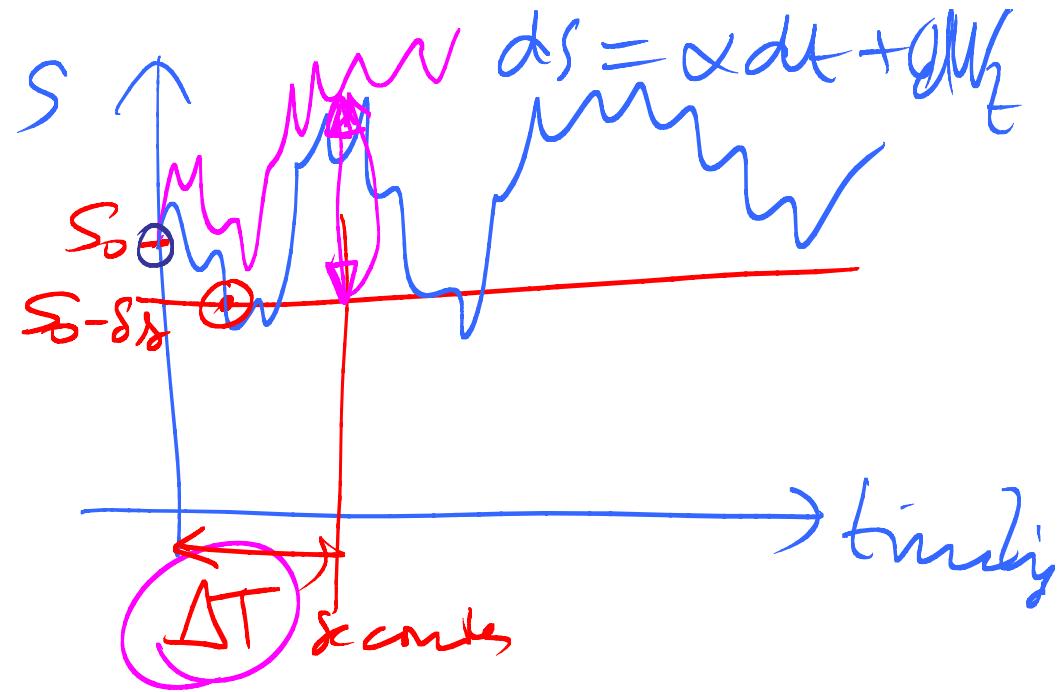
Continuous auctions Actors

Liquidity provider

- ▶ Wait to be executed (not executed for sure)
- ▶ Execution price is better than the last quoted one
- ▶ (sometimes) pays less fees

Liquidity consumer

- ▶ Executed for sure
- ▶ Pays around half a bid-ask spread more than the last quoted price
- ▶ Pays *Price Impact* for large quantities



The free option myth

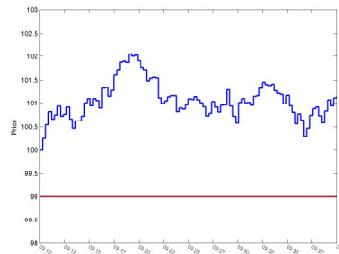
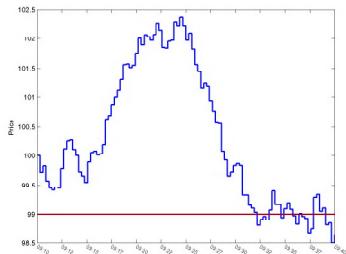
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$$E(S) = E(S | T_B < \bar{T}) \cdot g_T + E(S | T_B \geq \bar{T}) \cdot (1 - g_T)$$

(writing fine)

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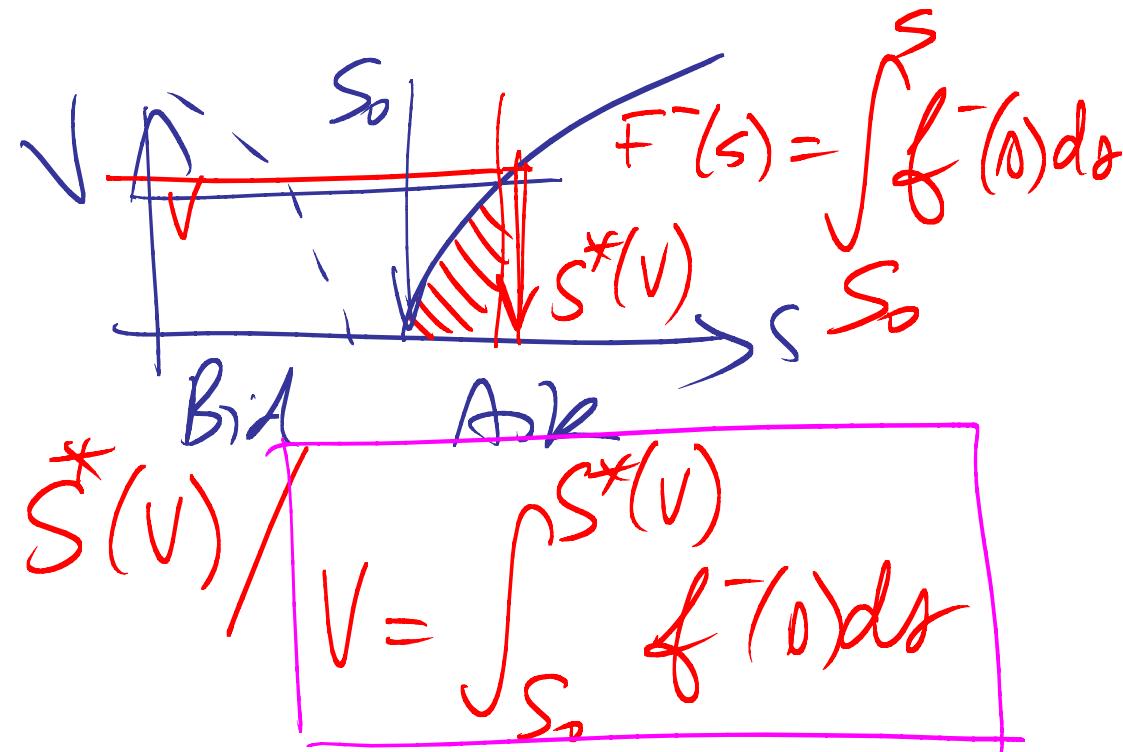
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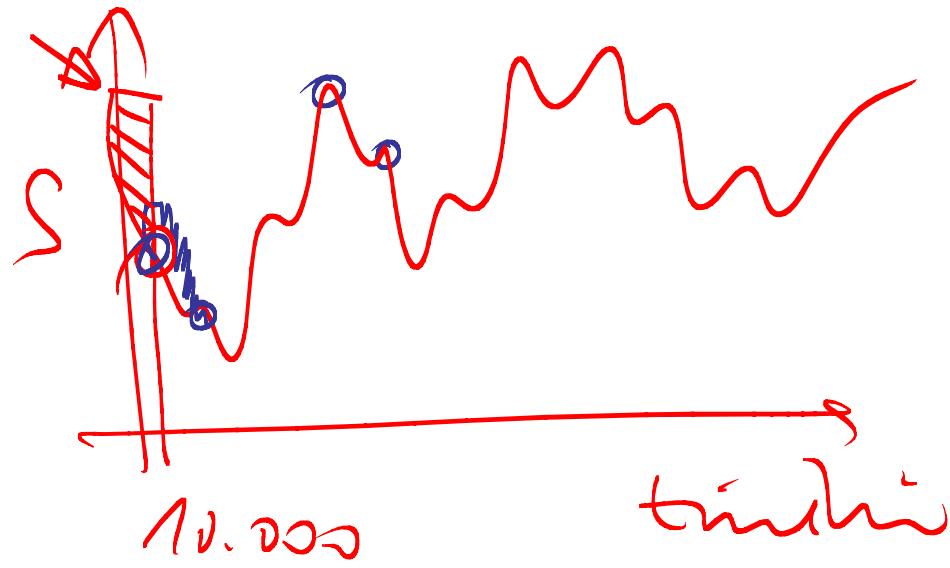
⇒ All the complexity of intra-day trading comes from market microstructure and price / volume dependencies.

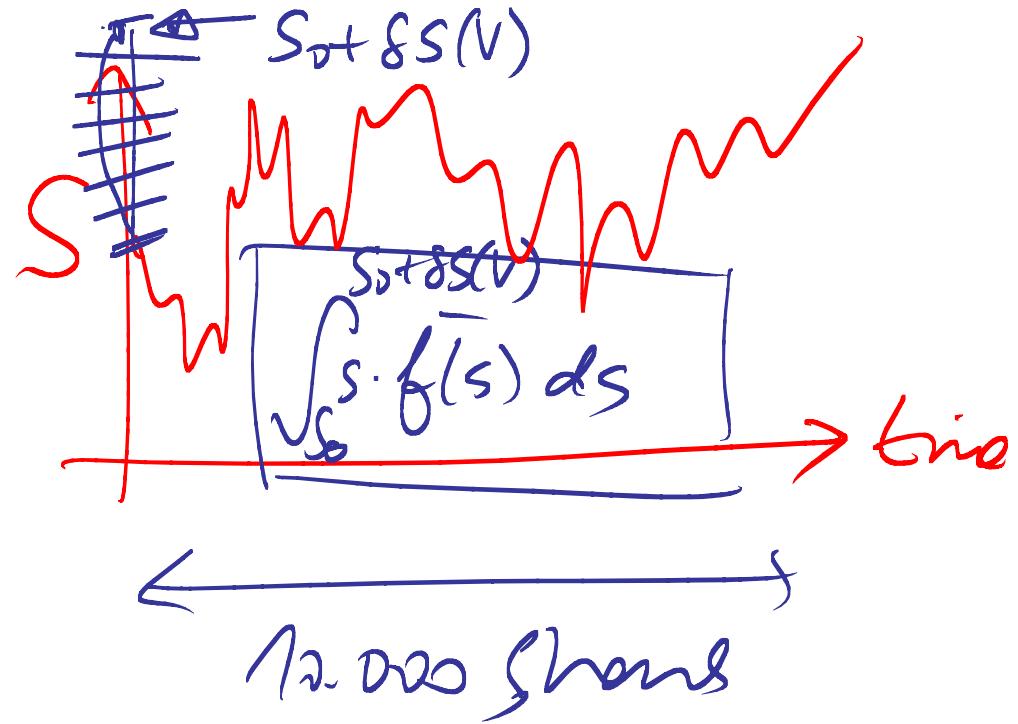
$$V = \int_{S_0}^{S_0 + \delta S(V)} f(s) ds$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial V} 1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial V} f(s) \cdot f(S_0 + \delta S V)$$

$S(V)$ Consumer
 $S(V)$ = Market Impact
of my trade







My first continuous auctions formula

Let $f_{LOB}^-(s)$ be the volume available in the LOB by sellers (ask prices) at price s (resp. $f_{LOB}^+(s)$ for bids quantities). When I want to buy a quantity V of shares of this instrument, I will generate a **Market Impact** of S_{MI} implicitly defined by the equation (S_0 is the last quoted price):

$$(1) \quad V = \int_{s=S_0}^{S_{MI}} f_{\text{LOB}}^-(s) \, ds$$

and my Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP) will be:

$$(2) \quad \text{VWAP} = \frac{1}{V} \int_{s=S_0}^{S_{MI}} s \cdot f_{\text{LOB}}^-(s) ds$$

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$$S_{MI}(v) = S_0 + \gamma \cdot v$$
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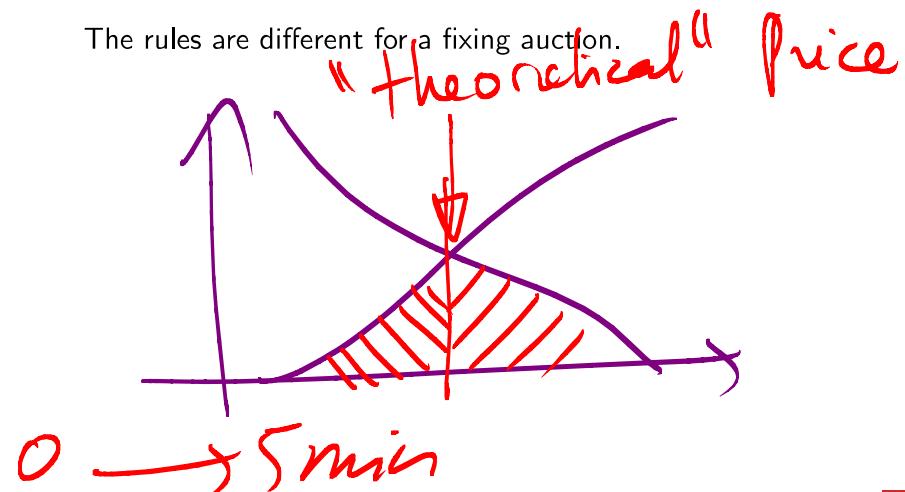
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“The big secret...Quantitative finance is one of the easiest branches of mathematics”

Paul Wilmott on his blog, April 2008...

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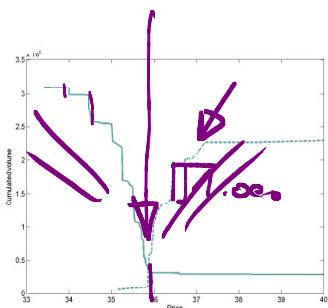
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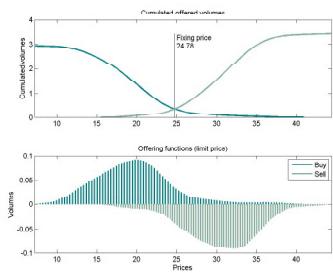
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- ▶ during the *pre fixing* phase, orders are not crossed to generate transactions
- ▶ a “*theoretical price*” is published
- ▶ at the end (5 minutes later): the fixed price is the natural Pareto equilibrium

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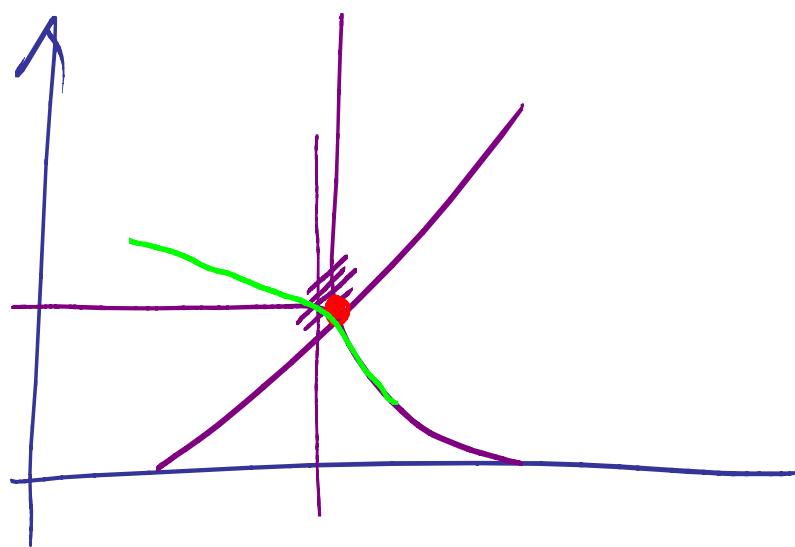
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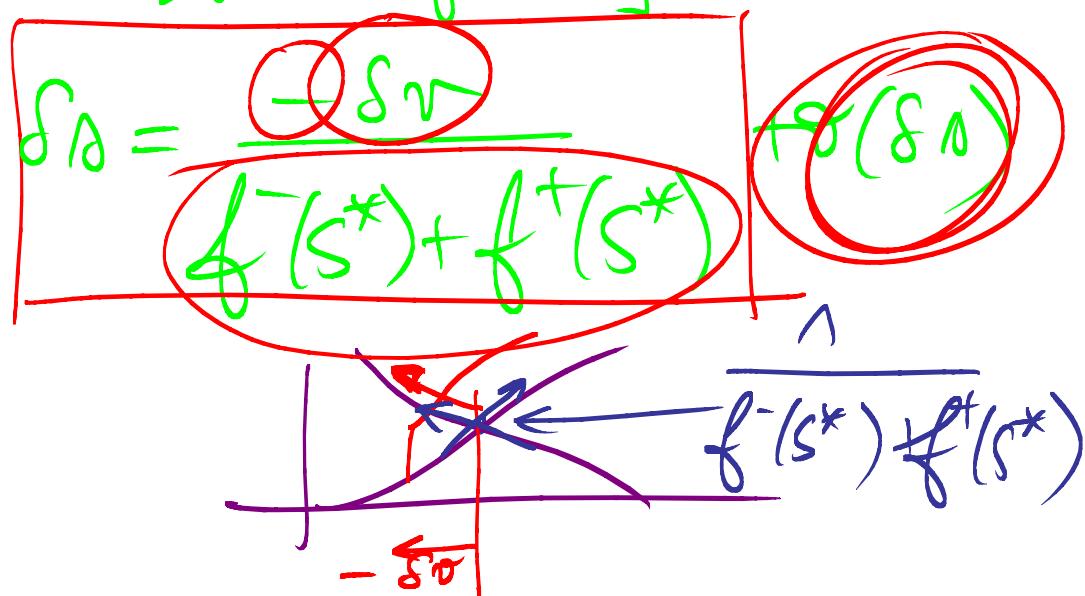
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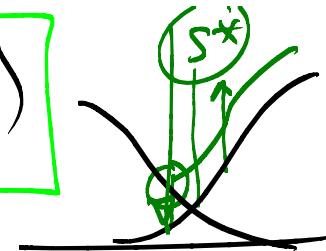
$$\delta \alpha \cdot [f^-(s^*) + f^+(s^*)] = -\delta \theta + O(\delta \alpha)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & F^-(\tilde{s}^*) + \boxed{\delta_{\text{var}} \cdot \Delta_{\tilde{s}^* > s^*}}^1 \\
 & \left(\cancel{F^+(\tilde{s}^*)} \right) = F^-(s^*) \cancel{f(s^*)} \delta_s + \Theta(\delta s) \\
 & \cancel{F^-(s^*)} \cancel{+ f(s^*)} \cdot \delta_s + \Theta(\delta s) + \\
 & \delta_{\text{var}} \cdot [f^-(s^*) + f^+(s^*)] = -\delta_{\text{var}} + \Theta(\delta s)
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$$F^+(S^*) = \bar{F}(S^*)$$

former eq. price



$$\text{II} \quad \tilde{F}^+(S^*) = F^+(S) + \delta_2 g + 1$$

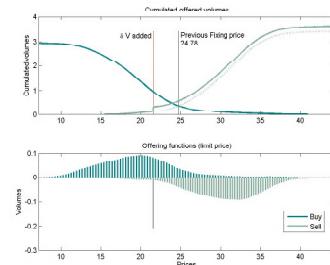
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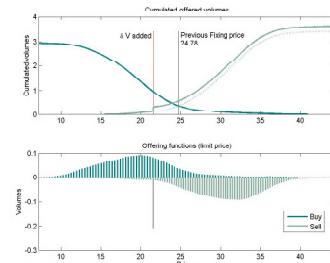
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\tilde{S}^* new eq.

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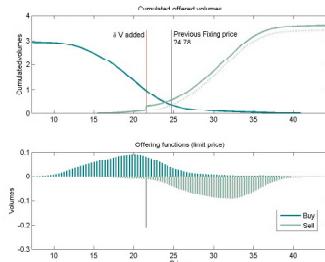


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$$(6) \quad \delta s = \frac{-\delta V}{f_{\text{LOB}}^-(S^*) + f_{\text{LOB}}^+(S^*)} + o(\delta s)$$

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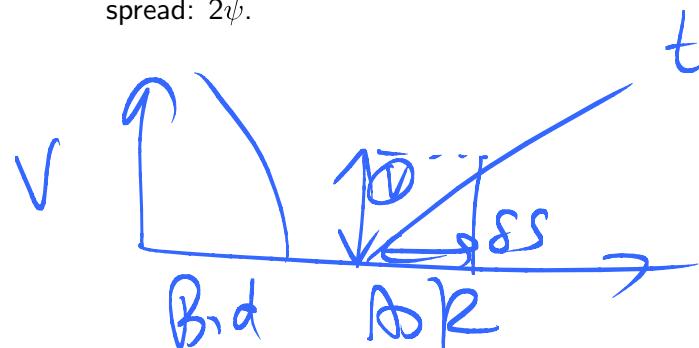
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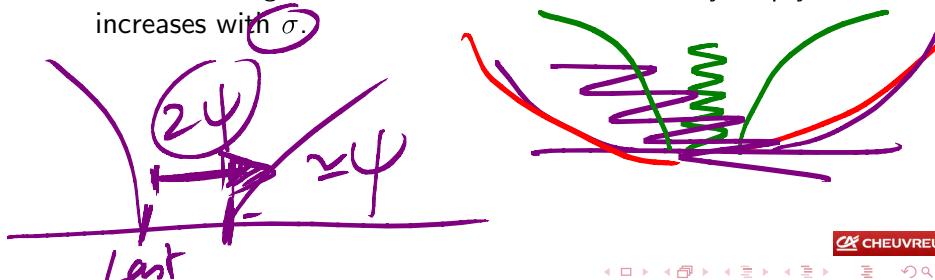
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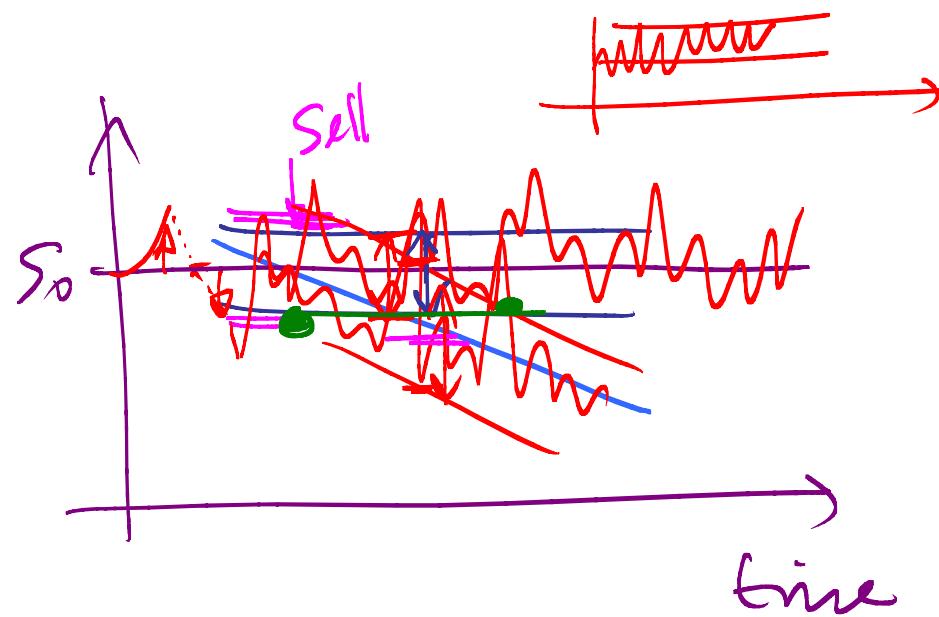
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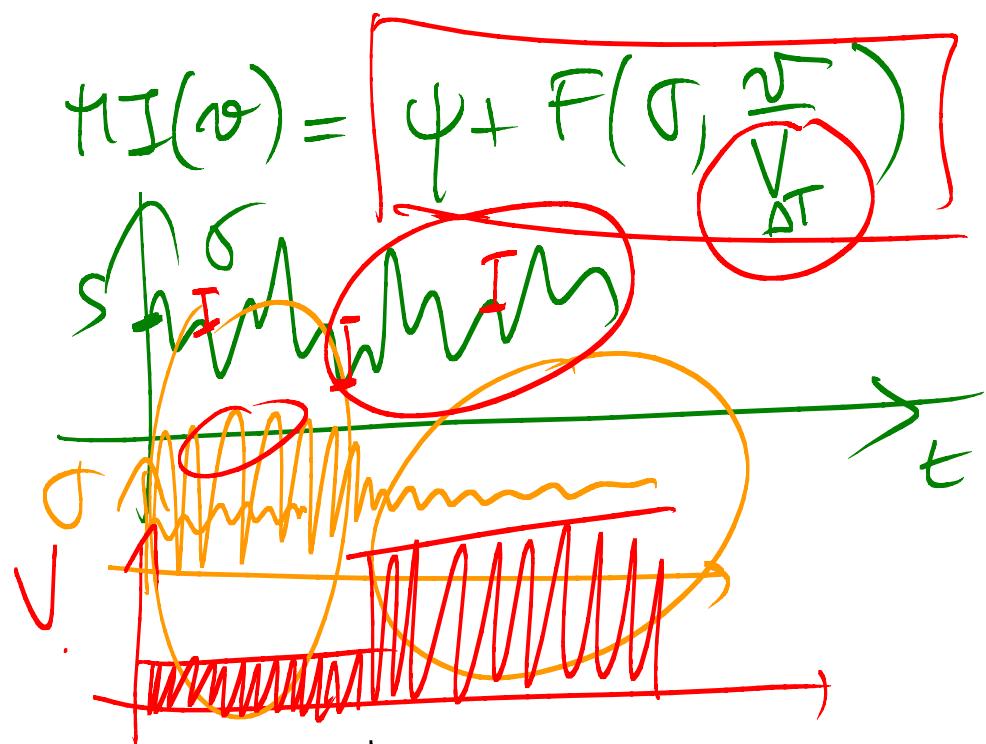
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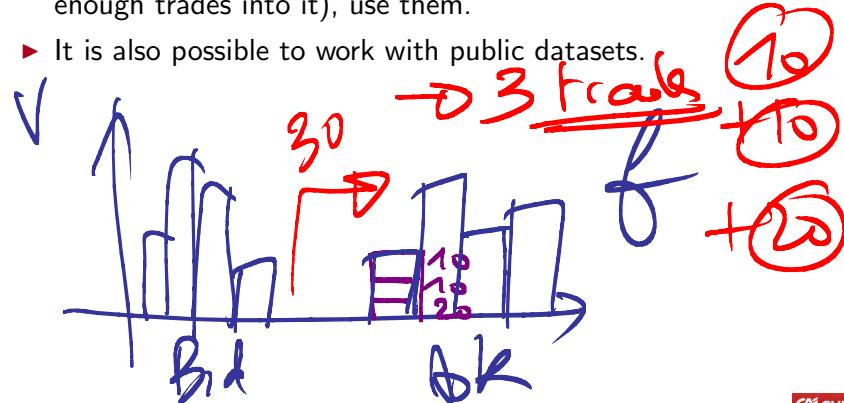
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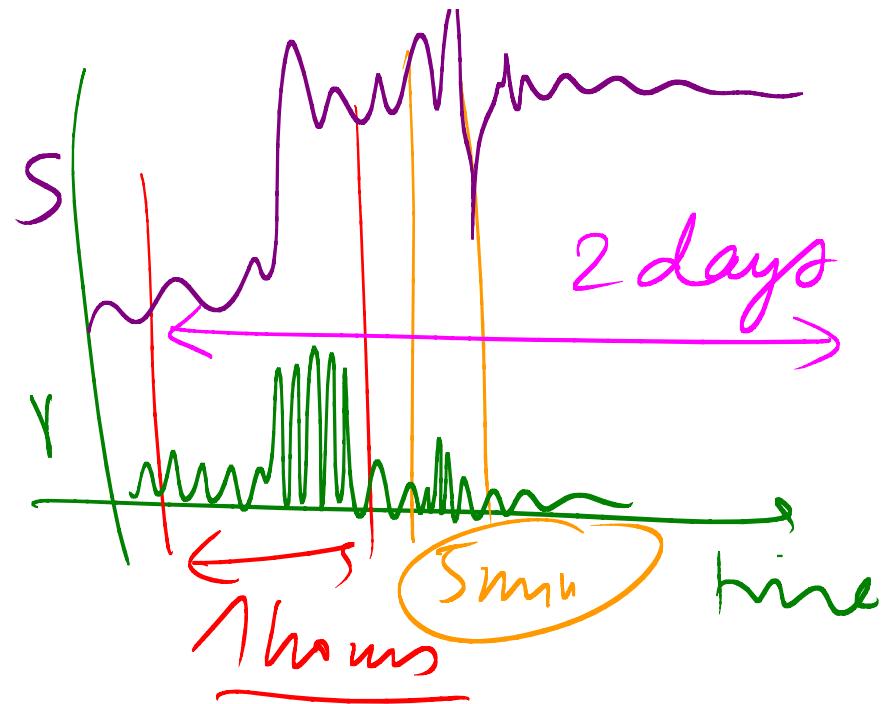
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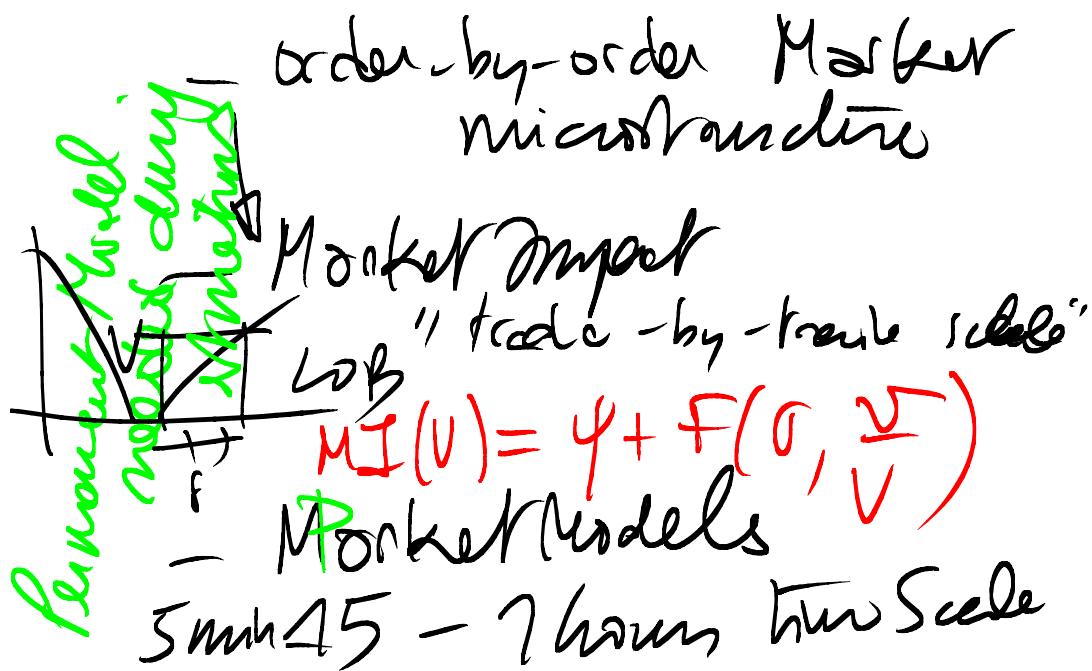
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20 min

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What do we need?

As seen in equation (7), we need to capture σ , usual volumes, and half bid-ask spread.

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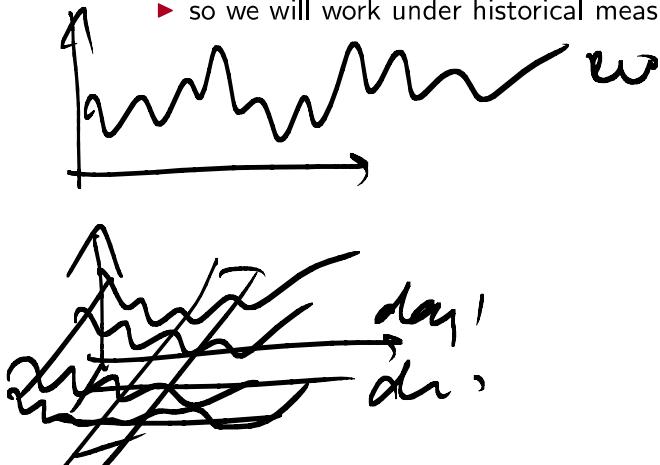
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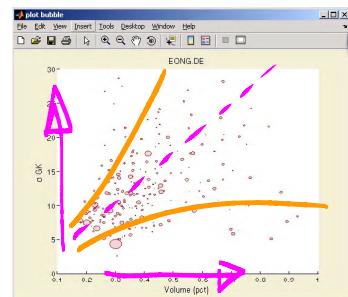
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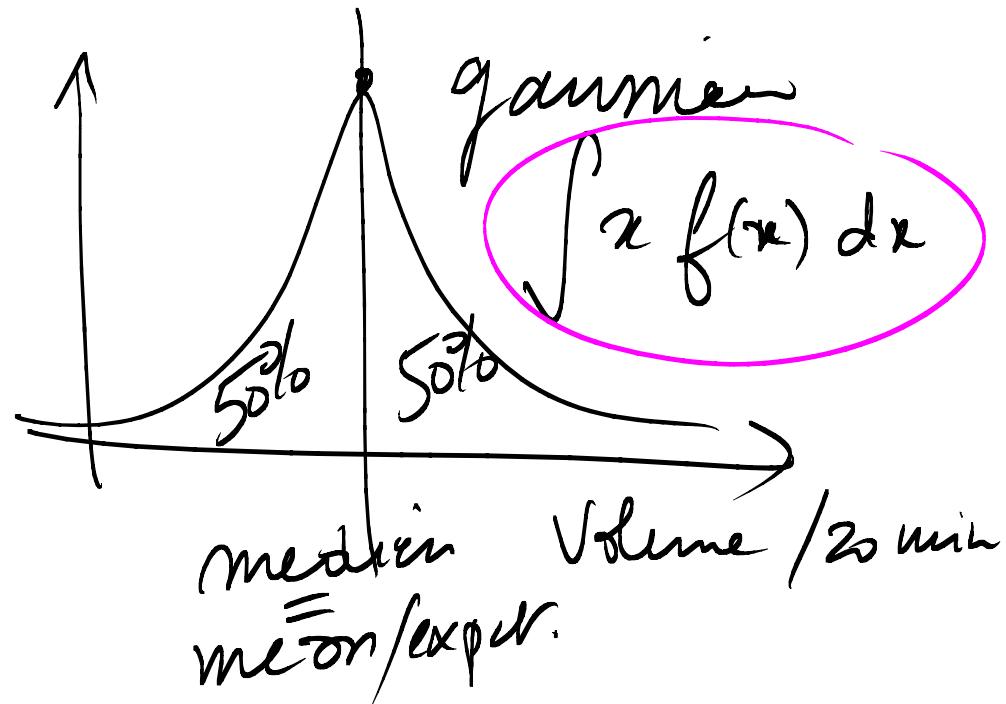
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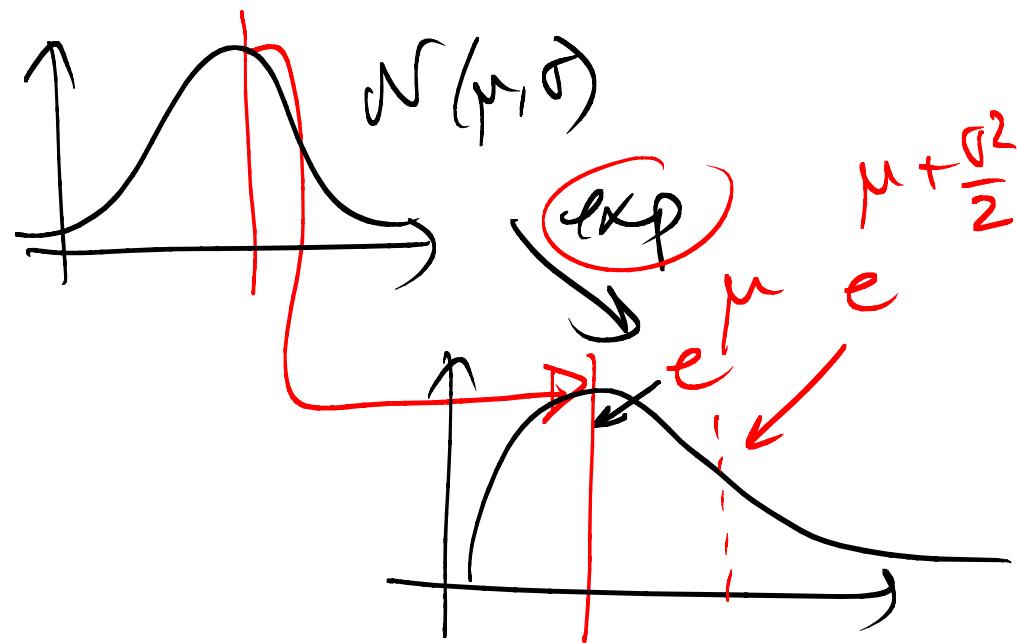
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 & \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\left[y^2 - 2\mu y + \mu^2 - 2\sigma^2 y\right]\right) \\
 & \left[y - (\sigma^2 + \mu)\right]^2 + \mu^2 - (\sigma^2 + \mu)^2 \\
 & \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 + \mu} e^{-\frac{[y - (\sigma^2 + \mu)]^2}{2\sigma^2}} dy = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma x} e^{-\frac{\ln(x)-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx$$

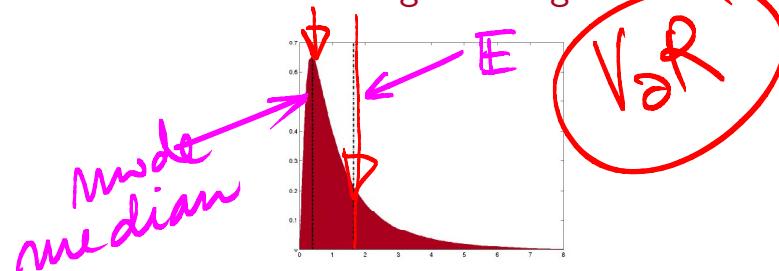
$y = \ln x \Rightarrow dy = \frac{dx}{x}$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{e^y - \frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} dy$$

$$\exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [y^2 - 2\mu y + \mu^2 - 2\sigma^2 y] \right]$$



Volumes: do not use "average" on log normal distributions

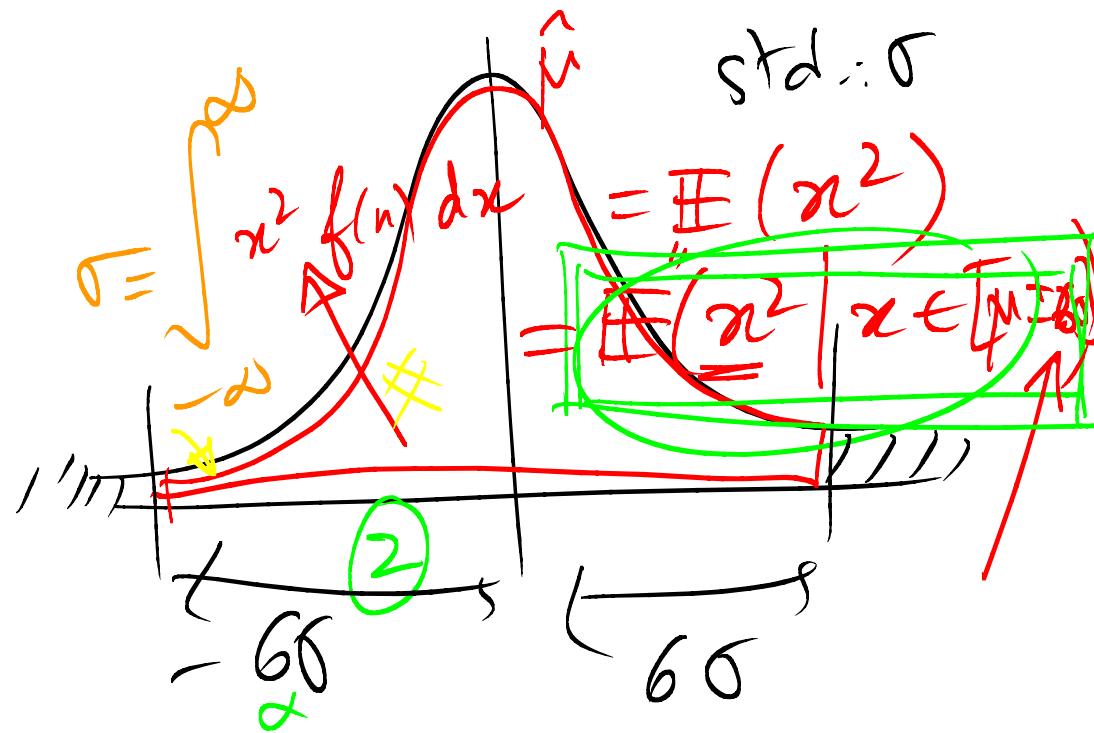


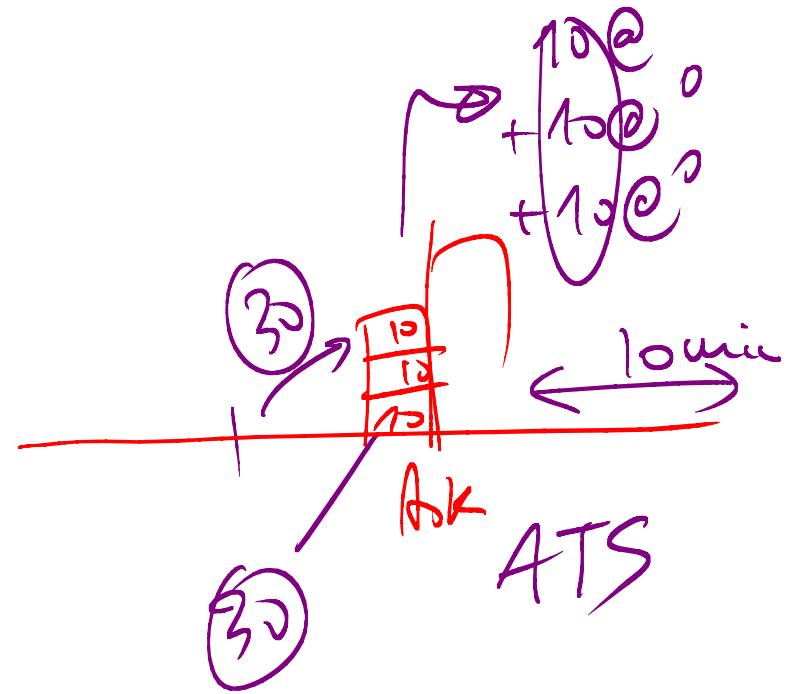
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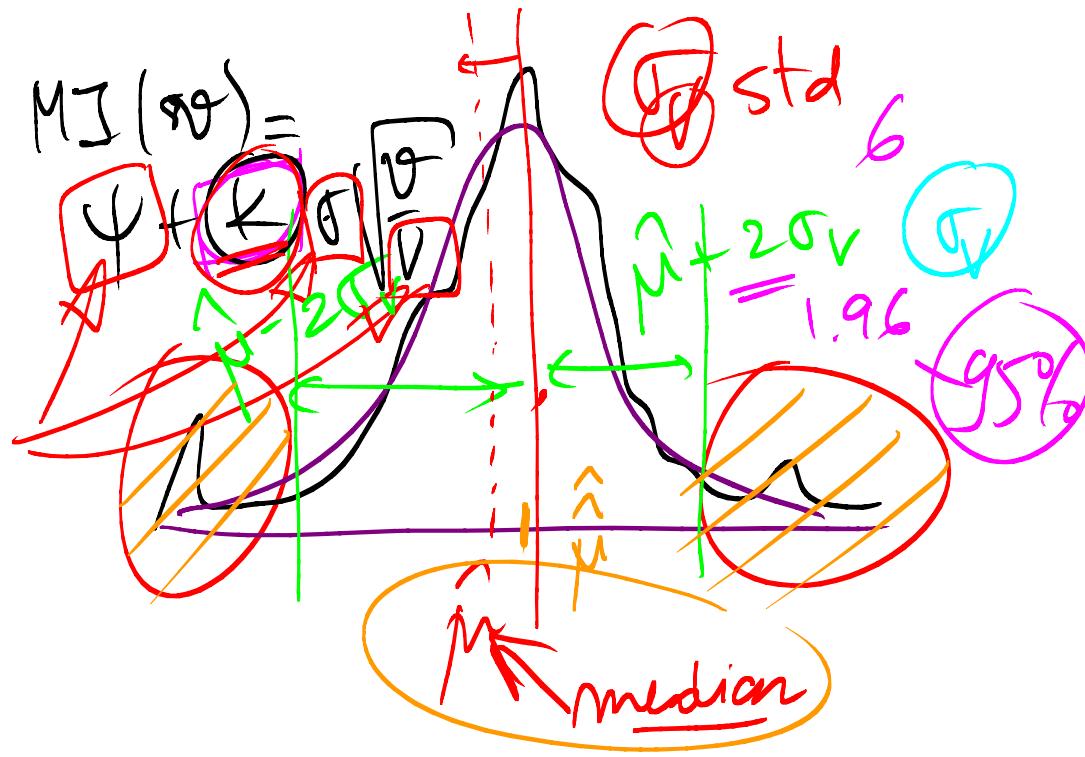
$$(8) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp - \frac{(\ln(x) - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

So (the median is not equal to the expectation):

$$M = E(X) = \exp \mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$

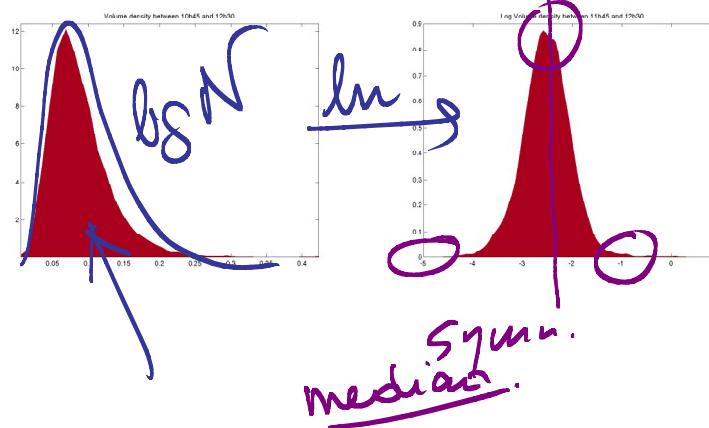






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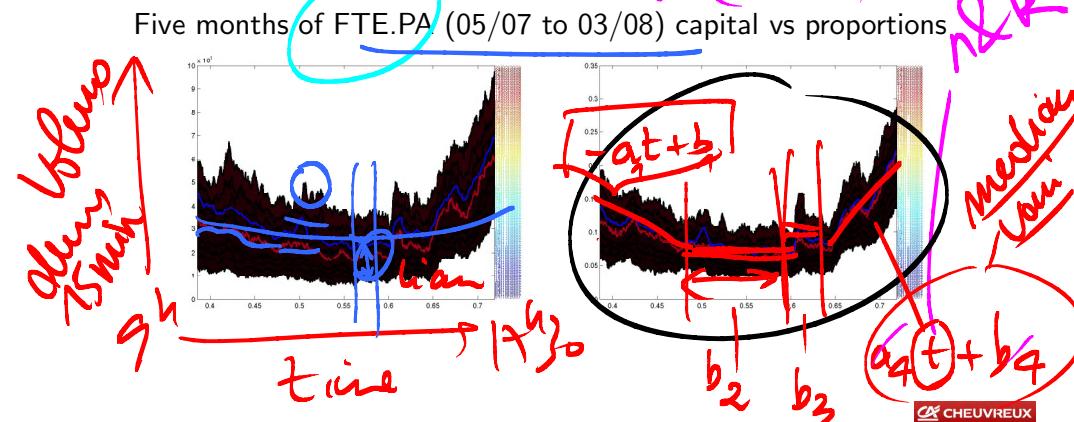
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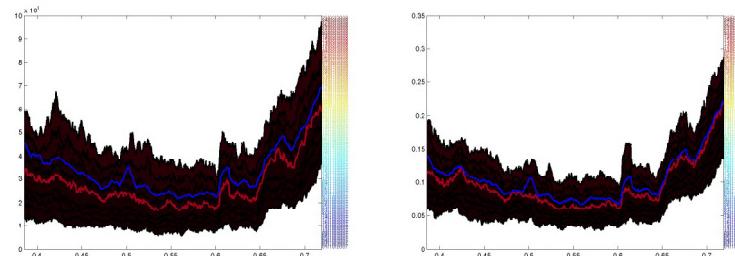
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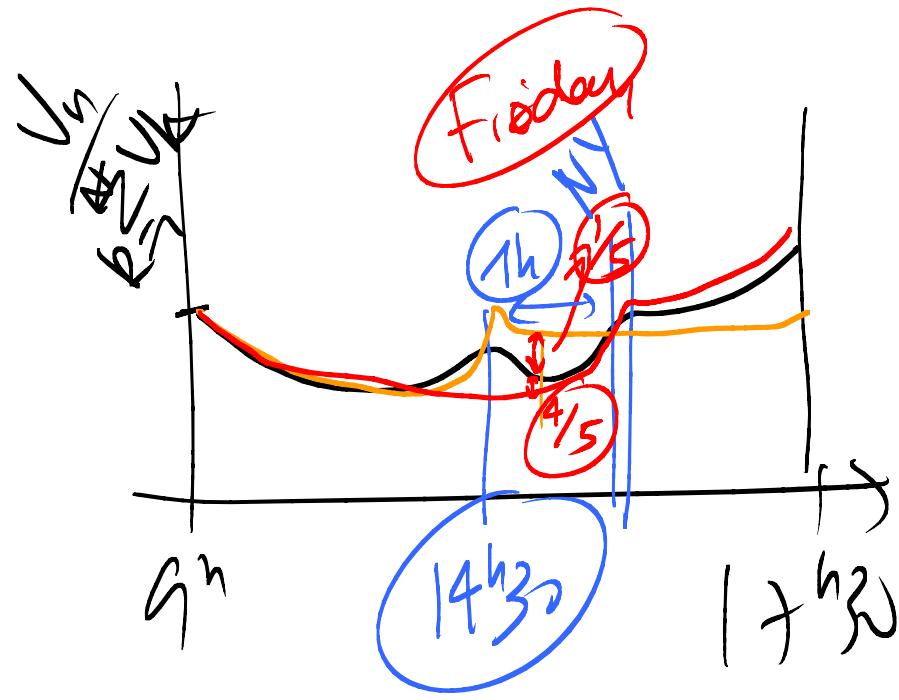
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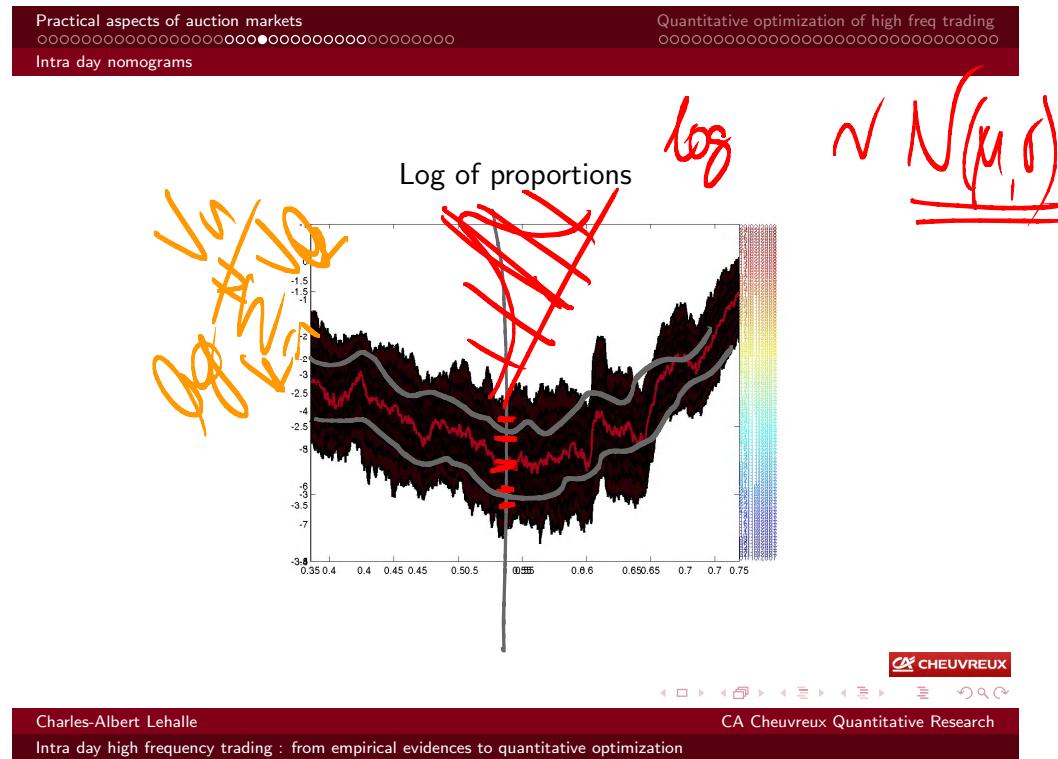
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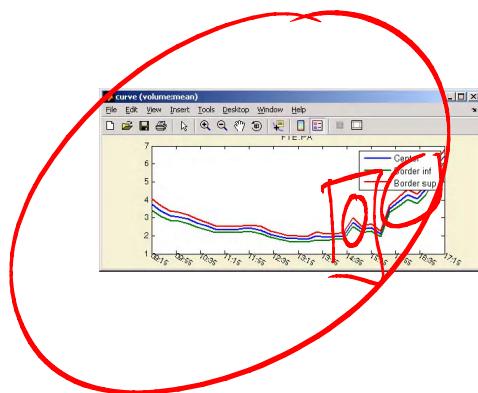


If you really want the mean, use robust mean (expectation using median and truncated variance) instead of average!



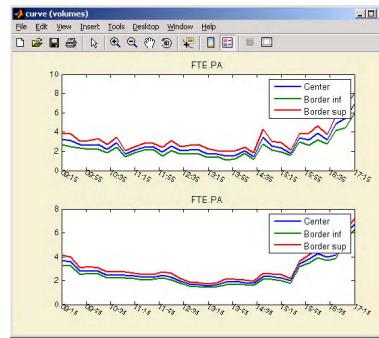
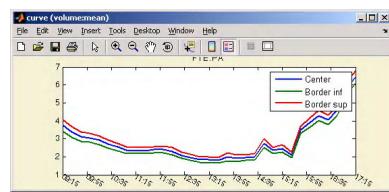


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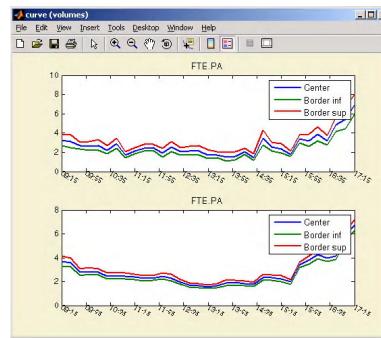
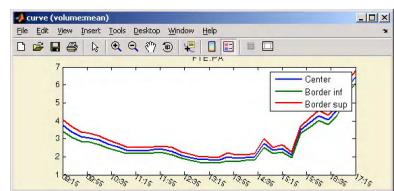
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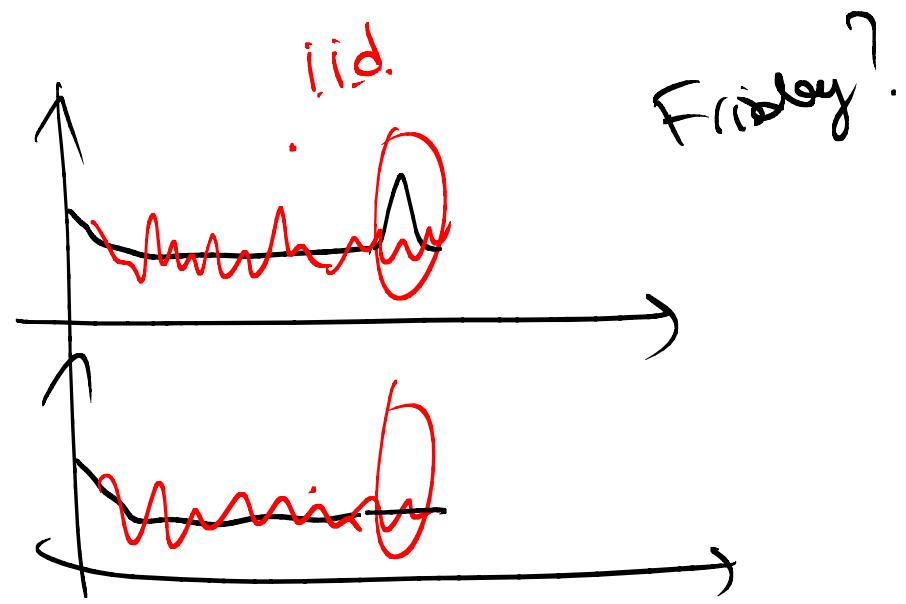
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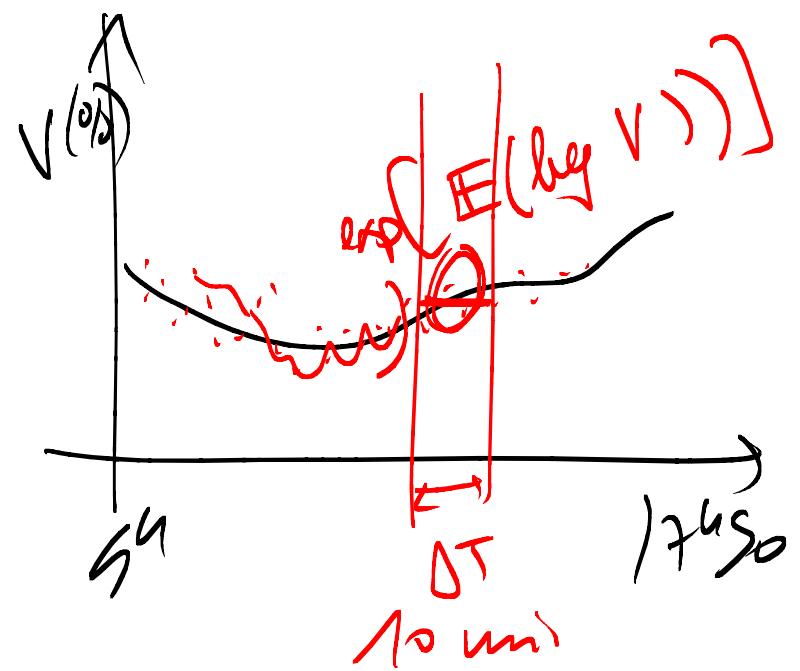


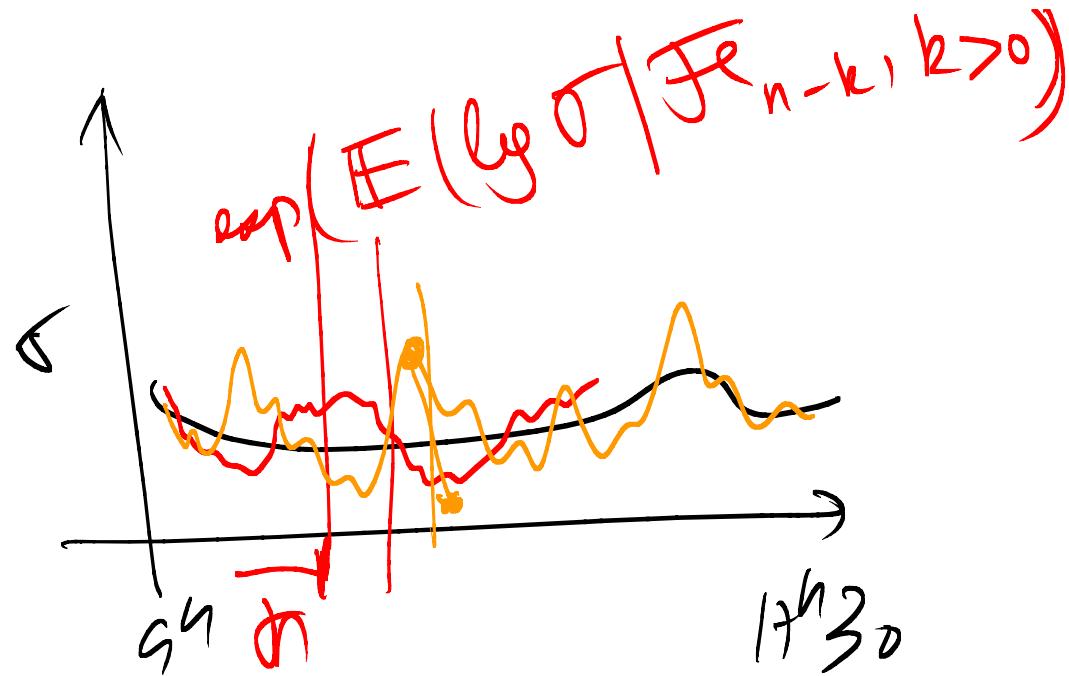
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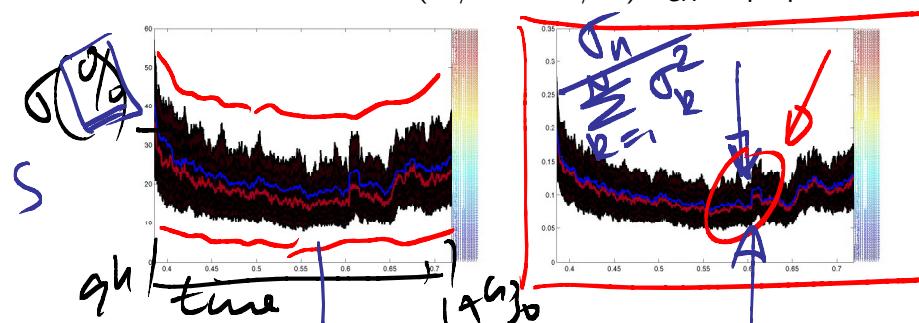




Volatility : do only add squared volatilities !

We all know that $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_1) + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_2) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2})$.

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Volatility are not "as lognormal" as volumes are. Mainly, they are
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σ > m σ < m

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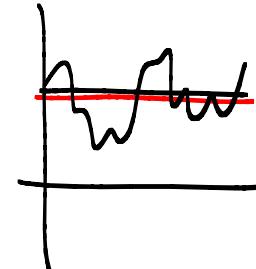
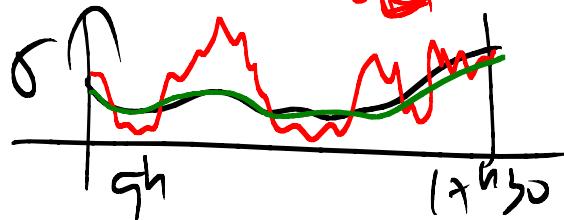
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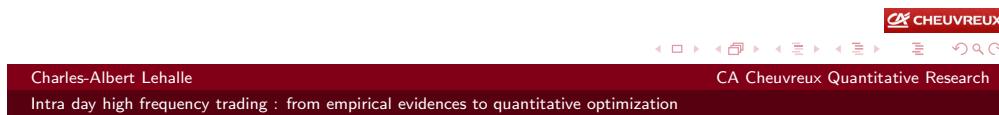
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The point is that m and κ should be time dependent here...



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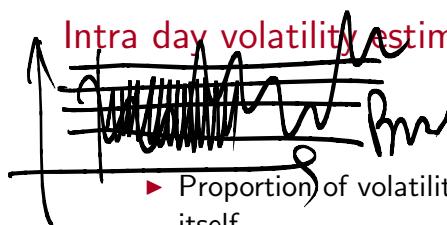
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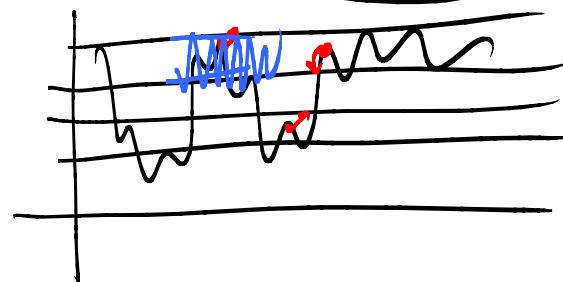
Jacod, Delattre, Al-Sahalia, Zhang, Mykland, Shepard, Rosenbaum

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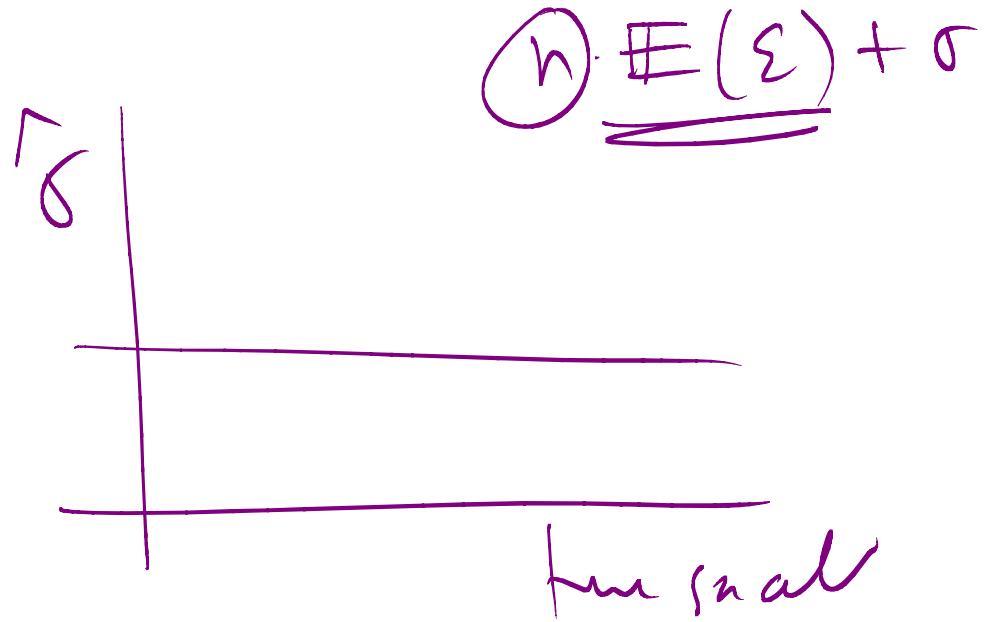
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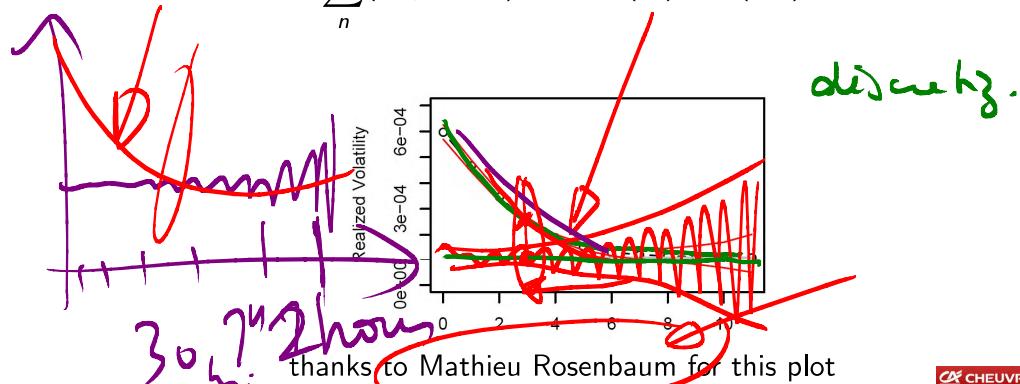


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thanks to Mathieu Rosenbaum for this plot

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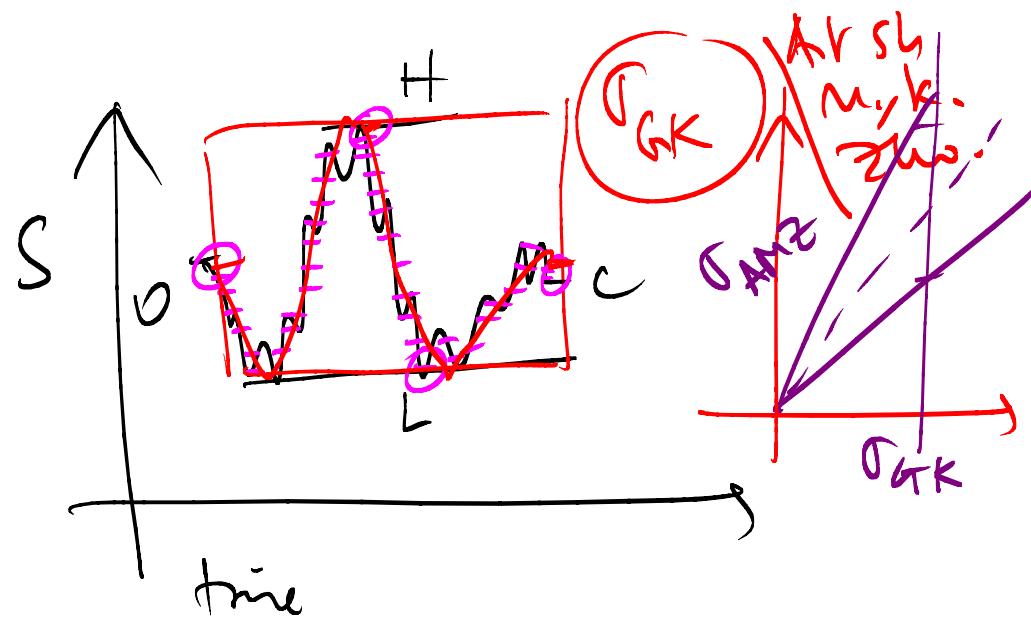
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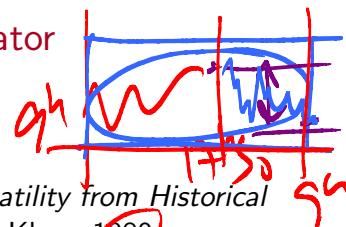
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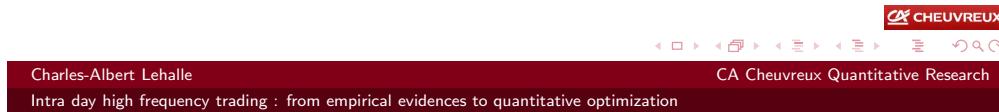
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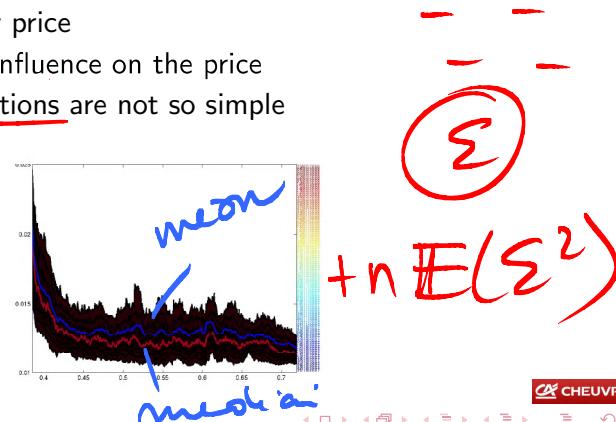
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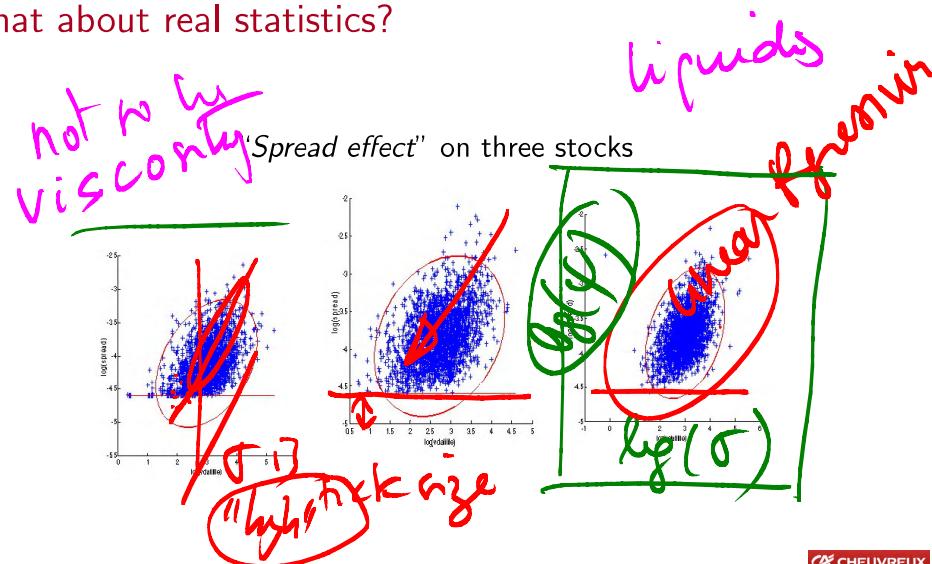
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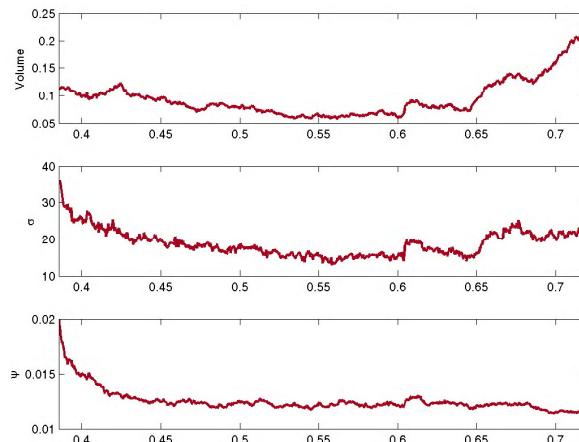


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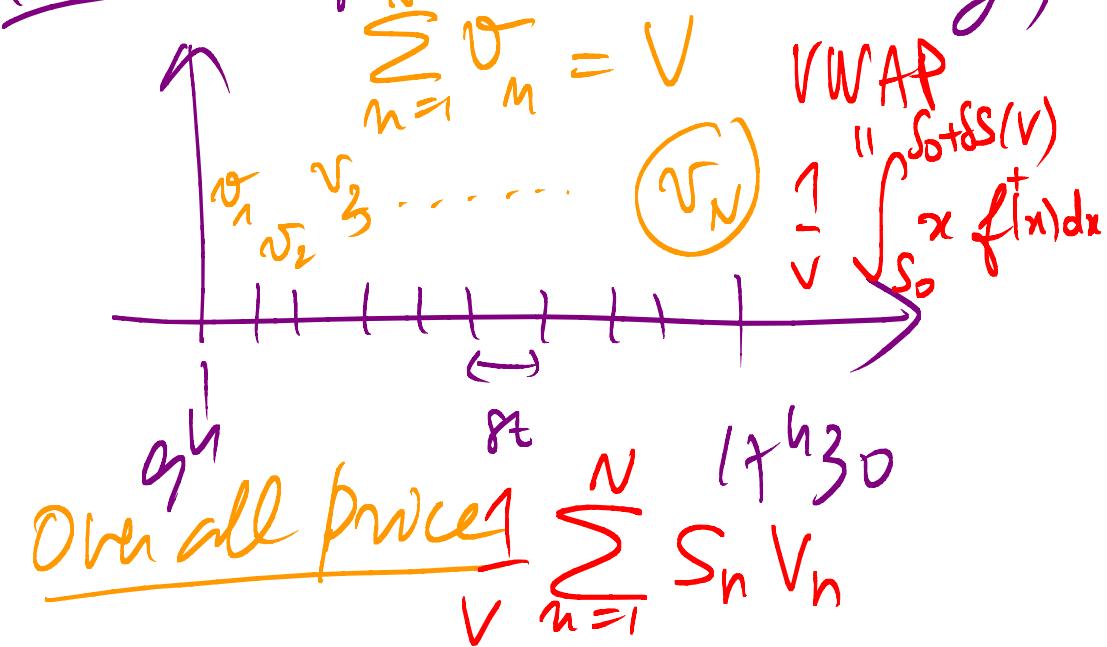


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Trade a give volume V (to buy)



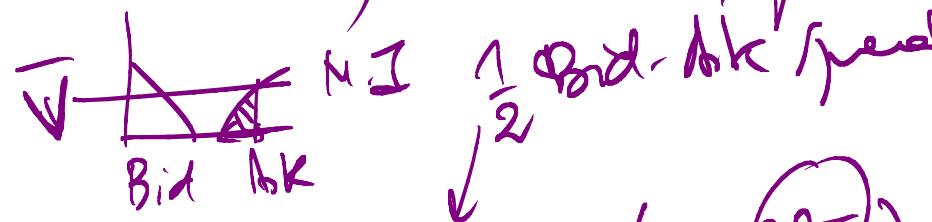
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\leftarrow
not $(n+1)$ for
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ψ $\sim \log N$

$\psi = G(\dots V)$ microstructure effect
 $\psi^{\text{min block size fact}}$ data noise

- Microstructure effects:
LOB, Consumers ≠ providers

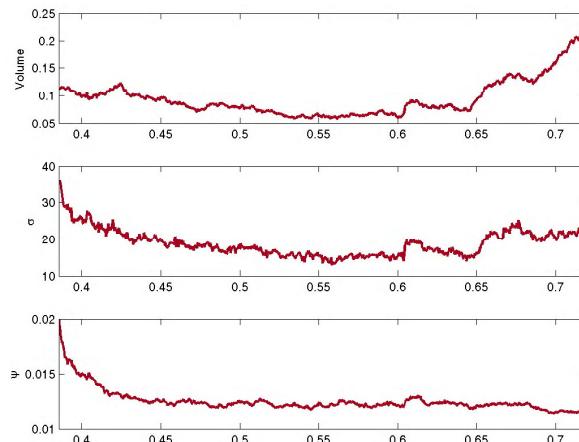


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Give me two of the three curves, I will give you the missing one...



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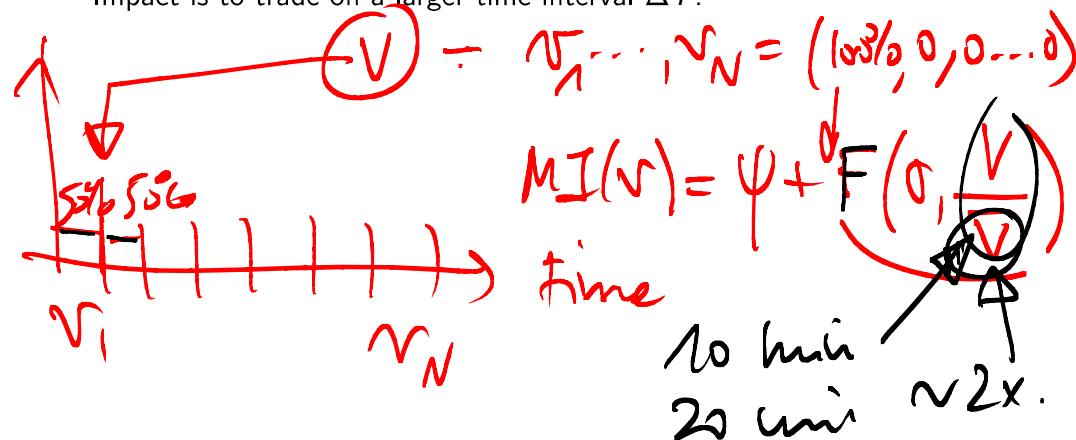
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$$H(S, V) = \text{new price after Buying } V$$
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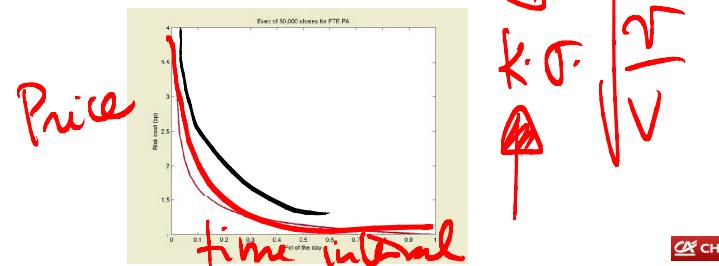
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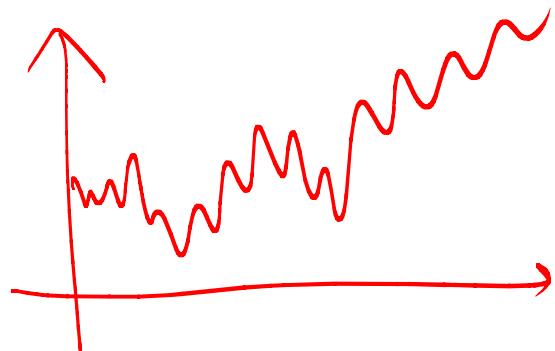
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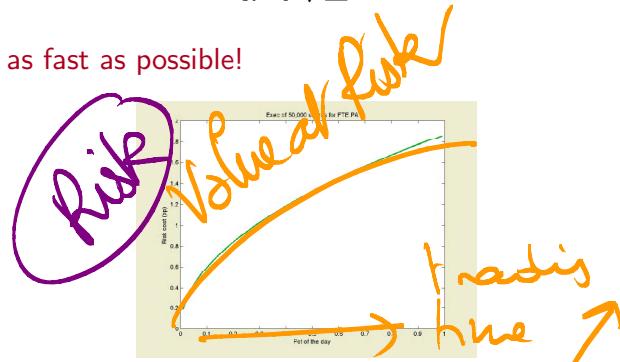
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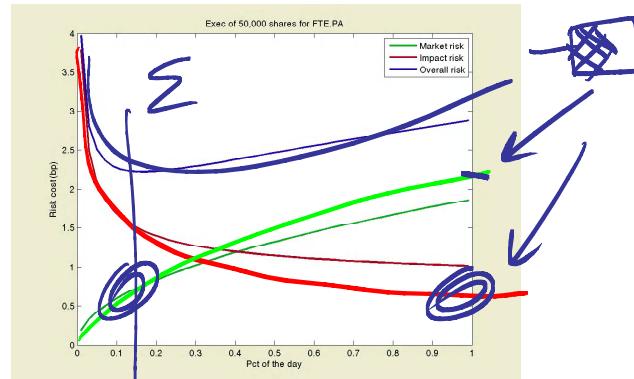


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Those two effects are mixed

$$N_{IT\cdot} + N_N = V$$



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Continuous auctions mechanisms

Two main behaviours:

- ▶ Liquidity provider: provide orders to the orderbook (a quantity at a given price for a defined side), my orders are consolidated inside the "*limit order book*".
 - ▶ Liquidity consumer: give orders (*at best, price limited*, or more complex) which consume one or more orders of the LOB.

Each market place (*Dark Pools*, *Multilateral Trading Facilities*, etc) has this set of specific orders, like *iceberg*, *pegged* or *totally hidden*).

Trading framework

Layer 1: strategy



1. Time scale
2. Quoth
TJ&NF.

Layer 2 tactical one



Multilateral trading facilities (MTF)

MiFID

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Chi-X, turquoise, etc... are here or are coming

BNP Paribas Chi-X

Last	Net Chng	Trade Vol	Buy Vol	Buy Snt	Sell Vol
68.5000	-1.3 %	60098	400	68.4900x68.5300	400
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68.5000	-1.3 %	60098	380	68.4650x68.5600	200
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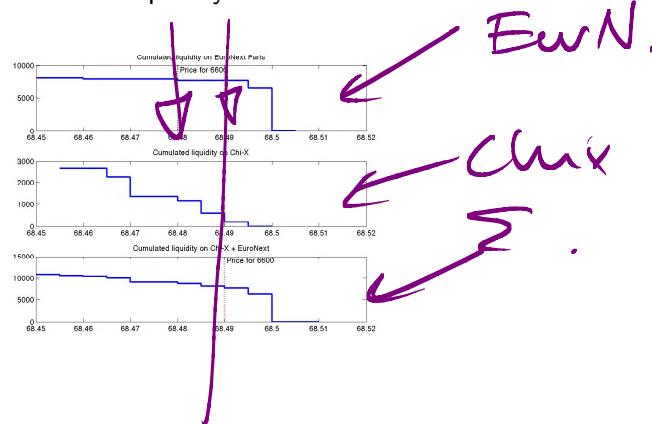
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68.5450	Volume 744392		2	100	68.5000 / 68.5550	366	1
68.4950			1	200	68.4800 / 68.5550	344	1
68.4900	Turnover 2234		1	200	68.4600 / 68.5650	200	1
68.4900	Vwap 68.4950		1	202	68.4500 / 68.5700	200	1
68.4900	Moves 2234		1	202	68.4500 / 68.6450	50000	Up/LoLimit: 72.3650 / 65.4750

More order types: totally hidden, pegged, etc...



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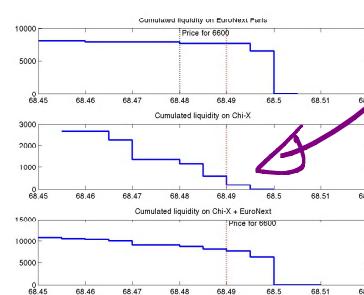


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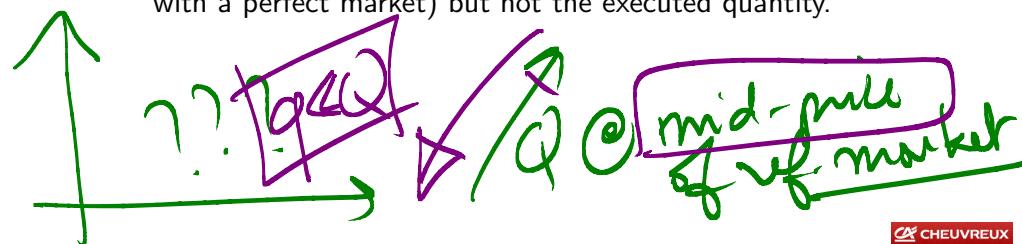
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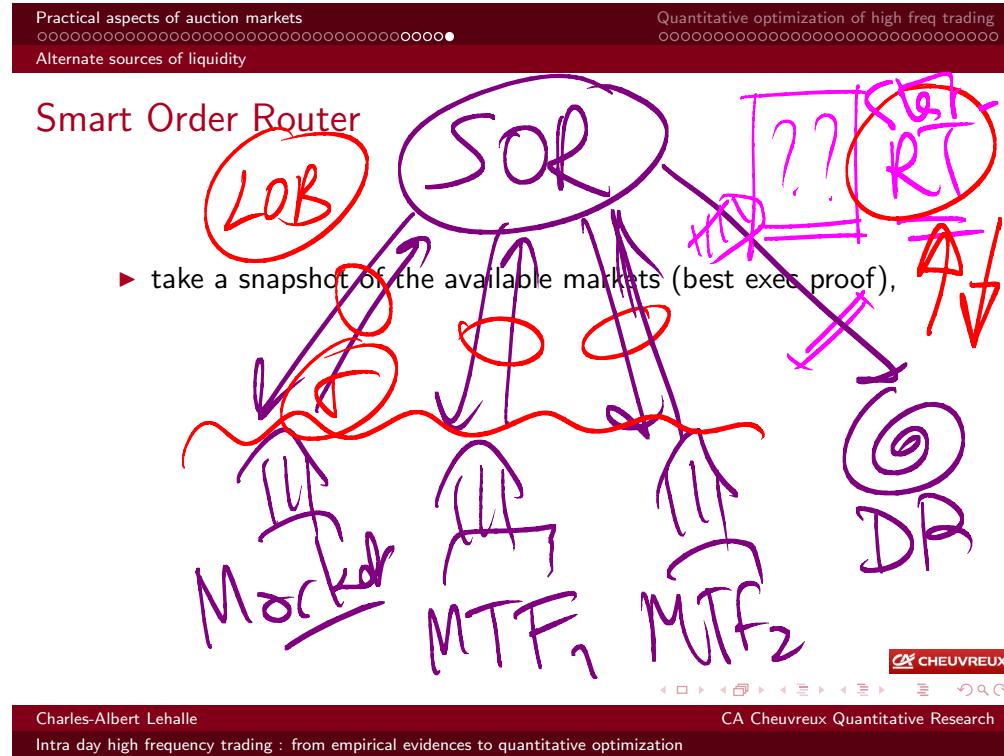
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What does mean VWAP of an order in such a context?

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$$= v_1 S_1 + v_2 S_2 + \dots + \underbrace{v_N}_{\eta \cdot} S_N$$

\downarrow
 $S_0 + \sigma_1 \sum_i \sqrt{s_i} +$
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 \vdots
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$\xrightarrow{\quad}$
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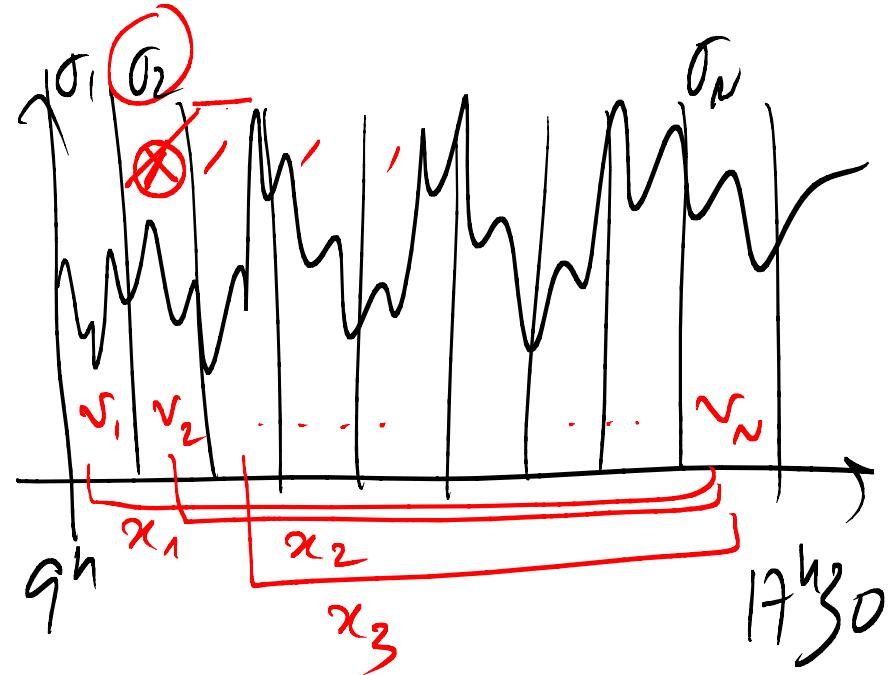
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The classical rewriting

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$$W = \sum \left(x_n \cdot \underbrace{\varepsilon_n}_{\text{crossed out}} + v_n \cdot \eta_n(v_n) \right)$$

$E(W)$

$$\psi + K \cdot \sigma_n \left(\frac{v_n}{V_n} \right)$$

$V(W)$

$$\xi_n \cdot K \sigma_n \left(\frac{v_n}{V_n} \right)^2$$

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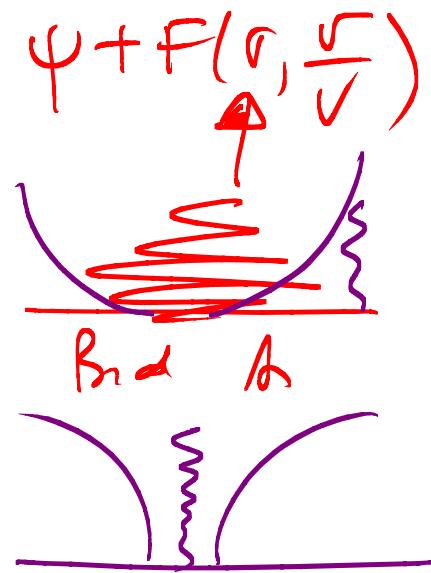
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Market risk

friend

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho} \frac{J_R}{r_2}}$$



$$\eta_n(v_n) + v_n \cdot \eta'_n(v_n) = 0$$

$$\eta_n(v_n) = \eta \cdot \sigma_n \cdot \frac{v_n}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} v_n = \frac{2 \cdot \sqrt{n}}{2\eta \cdot \sigma_n} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right.$$

$$2\eta \sigma_n \frac{v_n}{\sqrt{n}} = 0 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} v_n = \frac{\sqrt{*}}{\sqrt{n}} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right. \quad 0 = \frac{\sqrt{*}}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot 2\eta$$

$$\sum v_n = \boxed{\frac{1}{2\eta} \sum \frac{v_n}{\sigma_n} = \sqrt{*}}$$

Cost minimization $W = \sum x_n r_n \xi_n + \sum r_n y_n$

$$E(w | \sigma, v, \psi) = \sum v_n \cdot g_n(v_n)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r_n = V^* \text{ yang dinyatakan } \boxed{7}.$$

$$\boxed{\eta_n(v_n) + n\gamma_n \dot{\gamma}_n(v_n) = h}$$

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Trade regularly. follow the market...

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{n=1}^N x_n \sigma_n \xi_n \right]^2 \mathbb{E}(\xi^2) = 1$$

$$\sum_{k \neq k} x_n \cdot x_k \sigma_n \cdot \sigma_k$$

Brownian Motion

When $n \neq k$ $\mathbb{E}(\xi_n \xi_k) = 0$

$$= x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 \quad ②$$

Risk minimization

$$W = \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n \cdot \sigma_n \xi_n + v_n \cdot h_n(v_n))$$

$$\mathbb{E}(W) = \dots$$

$$\mathbb{V}(W | (\sigma_n, \xi_n, \dots)) = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \sigma_n^2$$

$$\mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E}(W) - \sum_{n=1}^N x_n \cdot \sigma_n \xi_n + v_n \cdot h_n(v_n)]^2$$

Min: $x_1 = V, x_2 = 0, \dots, 0$

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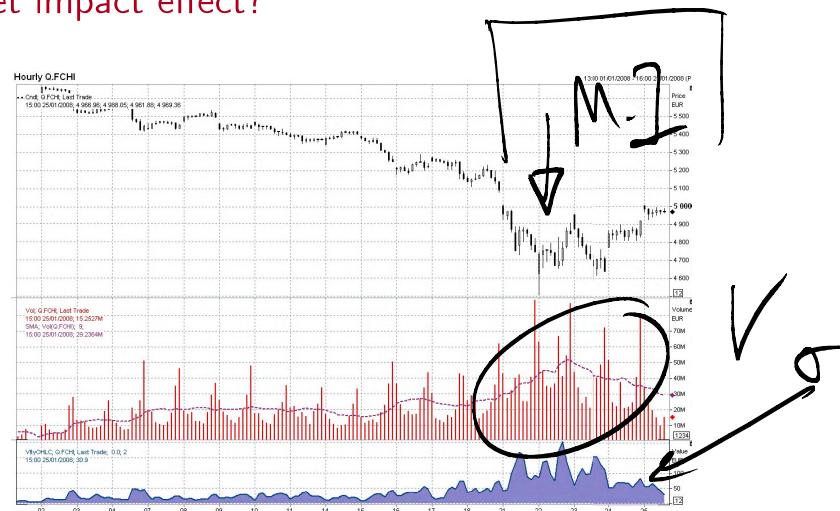
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A market impact effect?



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$$f(\frac{v}{r}) = \frac{1}{2} r f_{\text{Mi}}(\frac{v}{r})$$

$\psi + k\sigma \cdot (\frac{v}{r})^{\gamma}$

$\gamma \cdot k \cdot \sigma \cdot \frac{r^{\gamma-1}}{\sqrt{r}}$

$v = \left(\frac{h - \psi}{k\sigma} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \cdot r$

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$$f_{\text{LOB}}^-(S_0 + \psi + \kappa \sigma \left(\frac{v}{V}\right)^\gamma) \cdot \kappa \sigma \gamma \frac{v^{\gamma-1}}{V^\gamma} = 1$$



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 we obtain:

$$(16) \quad f_c(S_0 + h) = \frac{v}{\kappa \sigma \gamma} \left(\frac{h - \psi}{\kappa \sigma} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}$$

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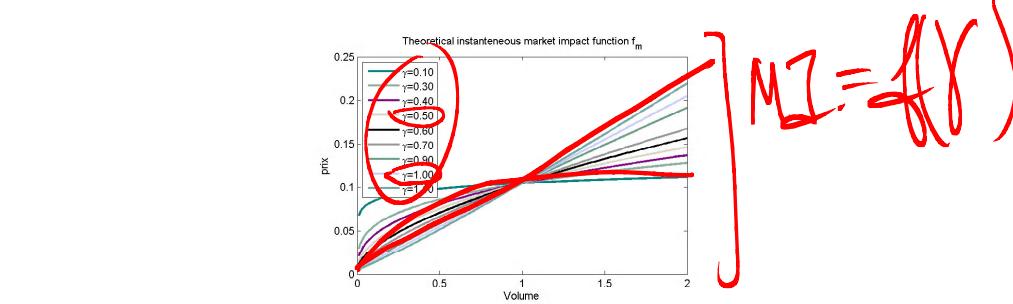
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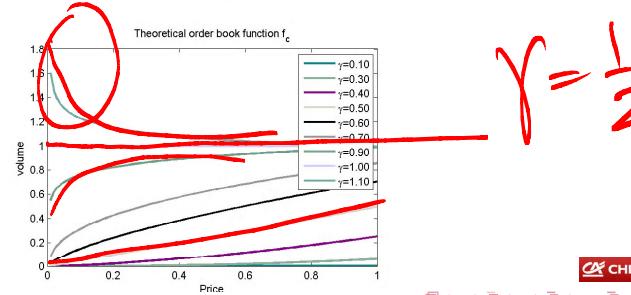
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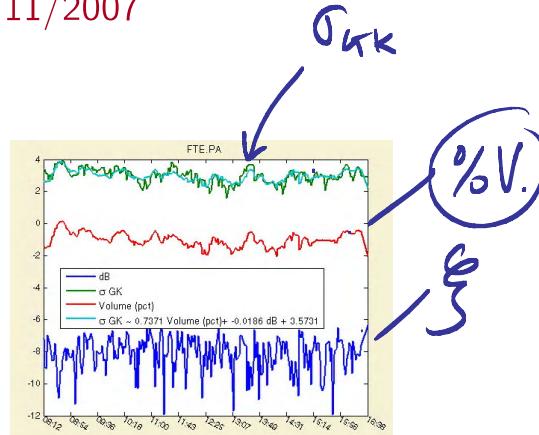
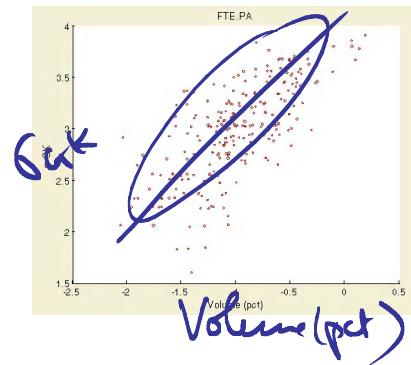
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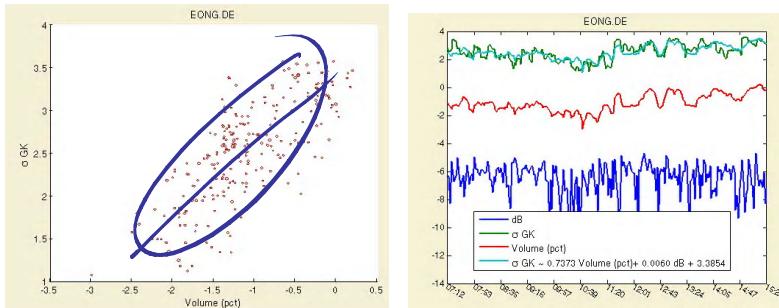


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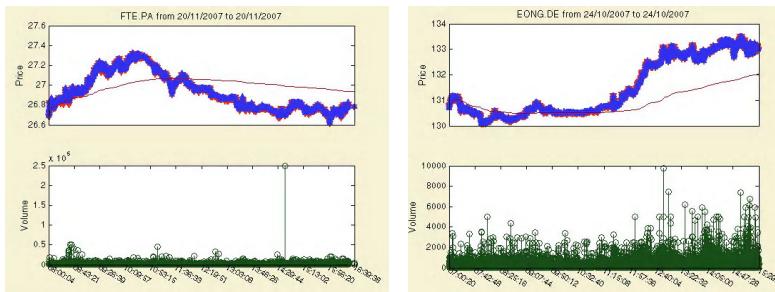
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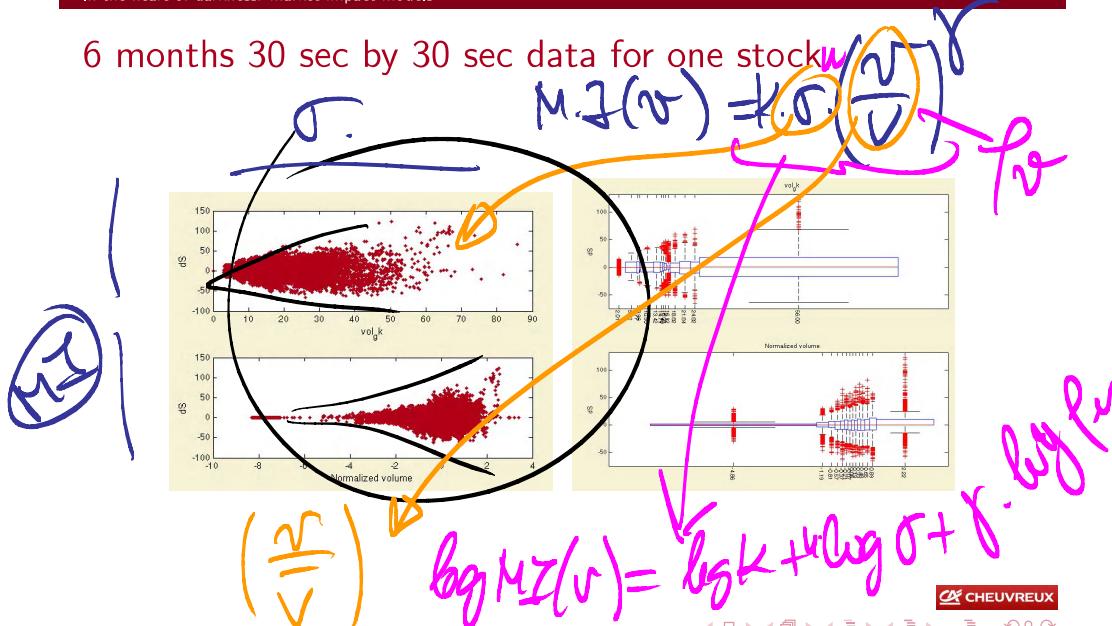
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FTE and EOND trading data



$$f_{\text{loss}}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{f_n(v)}_{\in \Psi + \mathcal{B}}.$$

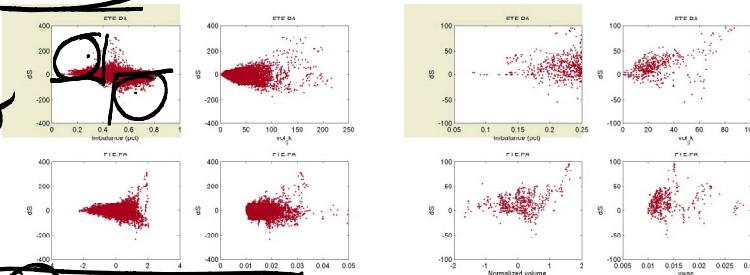
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Standard pitfalls ~~Aok~~

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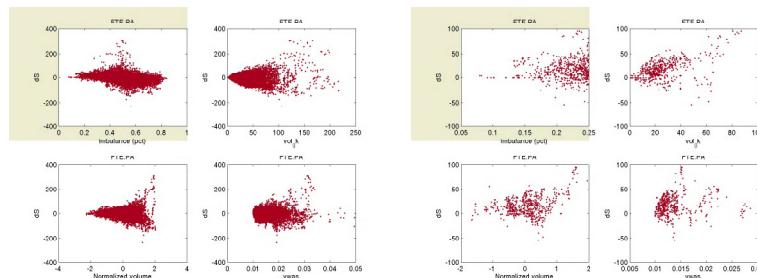
$$\sqrt{2} \approx 1.2$$

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- ▶ Really think about choosing the right ΔT

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Simplest case: constant volatility and volumes



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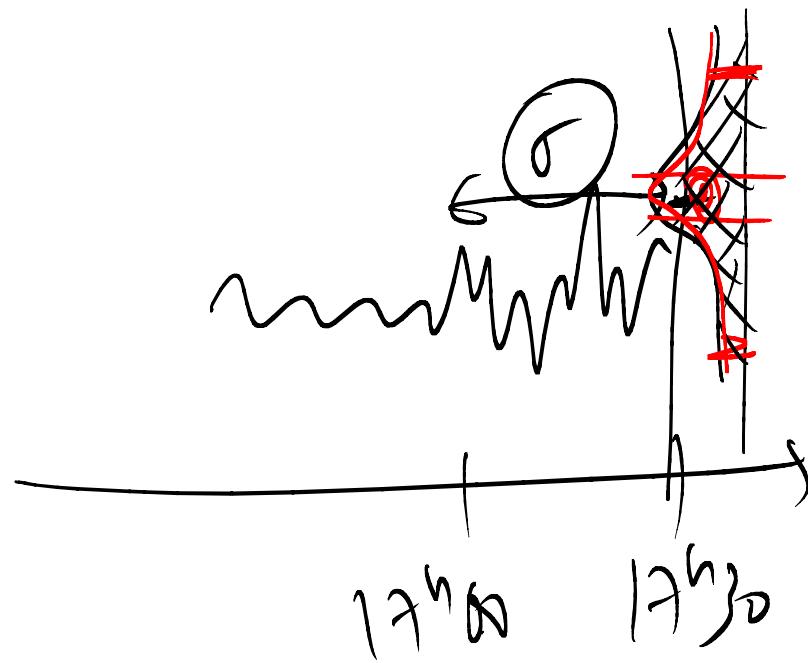
$$E(W|\sigma, V, \alpha) = V \cdot S_0 + \sum_{n=1}^N v_n \cdot \eta_n(v_n) + V \cdot \alpha T$$

$$\mathbf{V}(W|\sigma, V, \alpha) = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 \delta t$$

$$\text{Min } E(\cdot) + \alpha V(\cdot)$$

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(risk aversion)



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We will minimise (read Almgren, Chriss)

$$(17) \quad \begin{cases} C_1(v) = E(W|\sigma, V, \alpha) + \lambda \cdot \mathbf{V}(W|\sigma, V, \alpha) \end{cases}$$

for a *Buy* order.

$$2\eta(x_n - \hat{x}_{n+1}) \frac{r_n}{v_n} - 2\eta(x_{n-1} - \hat{x}_n) \frac{s_{n-1}}{v_{n-1}} \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} \\ + 2\eta x_n \sigma_n^2 = 0$$

$$x_{n+1} \left(2\eta \frac{r_n}{v_n} \right) = \left(2\eta \left[\frac{r_n}{v_n} + \frac{s_{n-1}}{v_{n-1}} \right] + 2\eta \sigma_n^2 \right) \\ - 2\eta \frac{\sigma_{n-1} x_{n-1}}{\sqrt{v_{n-1}}} \frac{\sqrt{v_n}}{\sigma_n}$$

$$\underline{x_{n+1}} = \left(\left(\underline{2\eta \sigma_n^2} \frac{v_n}{\sigma_n} + 1 + \left(\underline{\frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sigma_n}} \cdot \underline{\frac{\sqrt{v_n}}{\sqrt{v_{n-1}}}} \right) x_n \right) \right.$$

$$- \left. \left(\underline{\lambda} \right) \underline{\frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sigma_n}} \cdot \underline{\frac{\sqrt{v_n}}{\sqrt{v_{n-1}}}} \cdot \underline{x_{n-1}} \right)$$

$$E(\cdot) = \sum \eta_n(v_n) \cdot v_n, \quad \eta_n(v_n) = \sigma_n \frac{v_n \cdot g}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$V(\cdot) = \sum \underline{x_n^2 \sigma_n^2} \quad | \quad v_n = x_n - x_{n+1}$$

$$\sum \gamma (x_n - x_{n+1})^2 \cdot \frac{\sigma_n^2}{n} + \lambda \sum x_n^2 \sigma_n^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial(\cdot) &= 2\gamma(x_n - x_{n+1}) \frac{\sigma_n}{\sqrt{n}} - 2\gamma(x_{n-1} - x_n) \frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sqrt{n-1}} \\ &\quad + 2\lambda x_n \sigma_n^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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λ is a **risk aversion** parameter.

Solution for constant volatility and volumes

No need for Lagrangian multipliers (thanks to the $v \rightarrow x$ change of variable)

$$(18) \quad x_{n+1} = \left(1 + \frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sigma_n} \cdot \frac{V_n}{V_{n-1}} + \lambda \sigma_n V_n \delta t \right) x_n - \frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sigma_n} \cdot \frac{V_n}{V_{n-1}} \cdot x_{n-1}$$

$$x_{n+1} = ax_n + bx_{n-1}$$

$$\boxed{x^2 - ax + b = 0 \quad , \quad X_{+-}}$$
$$x_n = \underline{A} X_+^n + \underline{B} X_-^n$$

$$\boxed{\text{2 point}} \quad | \quad x_0 = V^*$$
$$x_N = 0$$

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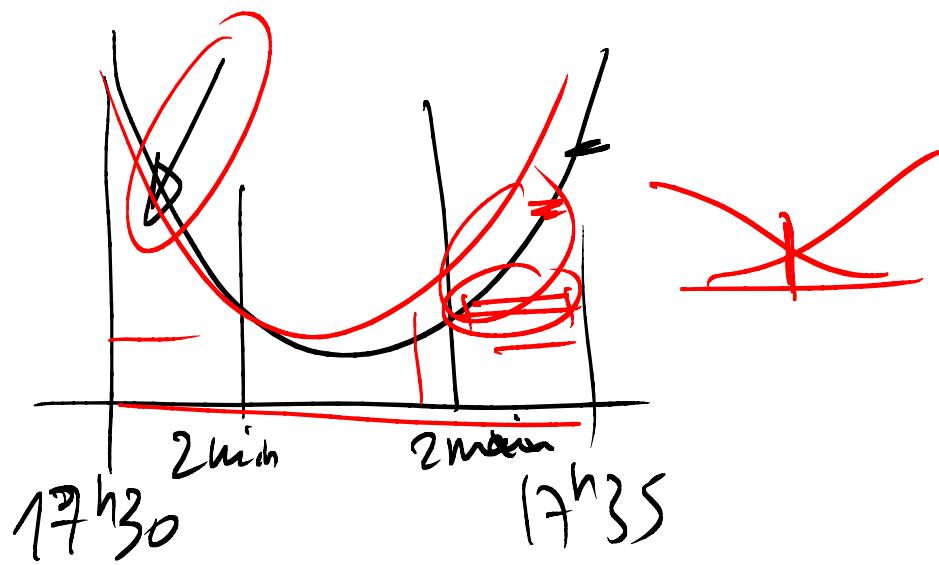
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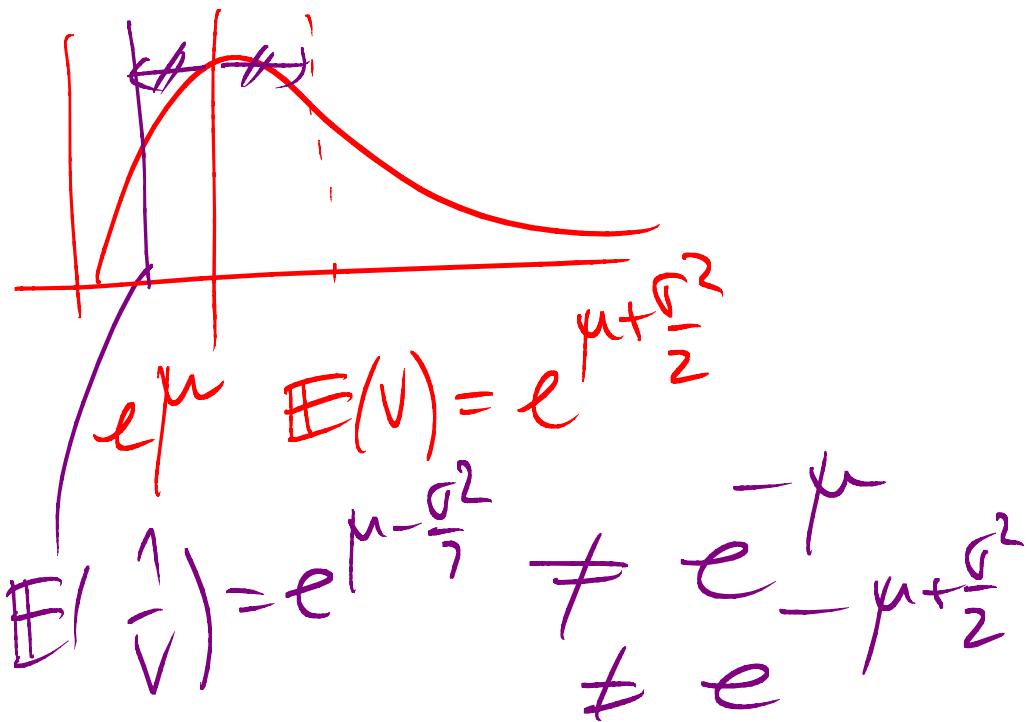
And when $\sigma_n \equiv \sigma$, $V_n \equiv \bar{V}$, we obtain this linear equation:

$$(19) \quad x_{n+1} = (2 + \underbrace{\lambda \sigma \bar{V} \delta t}_{\gamma}) \cdot x_n - x_{n-1}$$

its "initial conditions" are $x_1 = V$, $x_{N+1} = 0$



$$MI(\alpha) = \psi + \theta \cdot \sigma(M)^\gamma$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 E(f) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-y - \frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dy = e^{\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [2\sigma^2 y + y^2 - 2\mu y + \mu^2] \\
 &\quad [y - (\mu - \sigma^2)]^2 + \mu^2 - (\mu - \sigma^2)^2 \\
 E(f) &= \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma^4 + 2\mu\sigma^2}{2\sigma^2} = -\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2} - \mu\right)\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_n \sim \text{log}N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$E\left(\frac{1}{V_n}\right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(\ln x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dy$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \text{Let } y = \ln x \Rightarrow dy = \frac{dx}{x}$$

Simple case: random volumes

$W' = W - V \cdot S_0$ and $\alpha \equiv 0$:



$$\#(\cdot) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sum x_n \alpha_n \xi_n + v_n \cdot \gamma_n \overbrace{v_n}^{N_n} \right)$$

$$= \sum v_n^2 \gamma \cdot \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{1}{v_n}\right) = \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}v_n}$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \eta \sigma_n v_n^2 \left(\frac{1}{v_n} - \frac{1}{\bar{v}_n} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \eta \sigma_n \sigma_k v_n^2 \bar{v}_k^2 \left(\frac{1}{v_n} - \frac{1}{\bar{v}_n} \right) \left(\frac{1}{v_k} - \frac{1}{\bar{v}_k} \right)$$

$\mathbb{E}(f(v_k) f(v_n)) \quad k \neq n$

$$W = \sum x_n \sigma_n \xi_n + \eta \cdot r_n \frac{v_n^2}{v_n}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(W) = \eta \sum \sigma_n v_n^2 = \frac{1}{v_n} \prod_{k \neq n} \frac{1}{v_k} v_n^2$$

$$\mathbb{V}(W) = \mathbb{E} \left(\sum x_n \sigma_n \xi_n + \eta \sigma_n v_n^2 \left(\frac{1}{v_n} - \frac{1}{v_n^2} \right) \right)$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left(\left(\sum x_n \sigma_n \xi_n \right)^2 \right) +$$

$$= \sum x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 + \sum \eta^2 \sigma_n^2 v_n^4 \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{v_n} \right) \cancel{+ \cancel{\phi}}$$

Simple case: random volumes

$$\bar{V}_n := E\left(\frac{1}{V_n}\right)^{-1}$$

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$$W' = W - V \cdot S_0 \text{ and } \alpha \equiv 0:$$

$$(20) \quad \underline{E(W|\sigma, \alpha = 0)} = \eta \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - x_{n+1})^2 \sigma_n E\left(\frac{1}{V}\right)$$

What about $E(1/V_n)$?

$$\nabla(w(\sigma)) =$$

Simple case: random volumes
Closed formula: v_n Random

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What about $E(1/V_n)$? If $V_n \perp V_k$ when $n \neq k$

$$\mathbf{V}(W|\sigma, \alpha = 0) = \left(\sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 \delta t + \eta^2 \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - x_{n+1})^4 \sigma_n^2 \cdot \mathbf{V}\left(\frac{1}{V_n}\right) \right) \Sigma^{(2)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta^2(x) &= 2\eta a [x_n - x_{n+1} - (x_{n-1} - x_n)] \\
 &+ \lambda 2 x_n \sigma_n^2 f(\eta) \nabla(a) \left[\frac{(x_n - x_{n+1})^2}{(x_{n-1} - x_n)^2} \right] = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

median σ_n^2 $\nabla(a)$

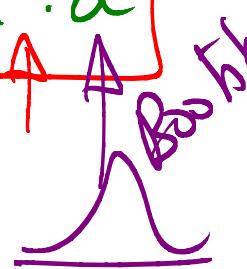
$$\begin{aligned}
 &\eta \cdot a [2x_n - x_{n-1} - x] + \lambda x_n \sigma_n^2 \\
 &+ 4\eta^2 \nabla(a) [(x_n - x)^3 + (x_{n-1} - x)^3] = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$C_3(r..) = \sum \eta \underbrace{a r_n^2}_{x_n - x_{n+1}} + \lambda \cdot \left[\sum x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 + r_n^4 \frac{\eta^2}{\lambda} \right] \xrightarrow{\nabla(a)}$$

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$$W = \sum x_n \sigma_n \xi_n + \eta \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_n^2} \cdot a$$

+  Bell shape

$$\mathbb{E}(W) = a\eta \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_n^2}$$

$$\mathbb{D}(W|a) = \sum x_n^2 \sigma_n^2$$



$$\mathbb{D}(W) = \sum x_n^2 \sigma_n^2 + \sum \eta^2 \sigma_n^2 \underbrace{\mathbb{D}(a)}_{n}$$

$$W = \sum x_n r_n \xi_n + v_n \cdot \gamma_n (v_n)$$

$V_n = a \cdot r_n$

$K \cdot r_n \frac{v_n}{V_n} \cdot v_n$

No more used Volume !!

$$\Rightarrow W = \sum x_n r_n \xi_n + K \cdot a \cdot V_n^2$$

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$$\frac{\sigma_n}{\sqrt{v_n}} \xrightarrow{(21)} E\left(\frac{\sigma_n}{\sqrt{v_n}}\right)$$

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$$\leq \frac{1}{n} = E\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

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$$\mathbf{V}(W|\alpha=0) = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \underbrace{E(\sigma_n^2)}_{\int_n^{(n+1)\delta t} \sigma_t^2 dt} \delta t + \eta^2 \sum_{n=1}^N (x_n - x_{n+1})^4 \cdot \mathbf{V}\left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{V_n}\right)$$

Towards stochastic control

$$u_t = \min E(y|t \rightarrow T)$$

Let's use a continuous framework (read Almgren and Lorenz); v rate of buying: $dx = -v dt$

$$(22) \quad \begin{cases} dx = -v dt & \text{remaining shares} \\ dy = (s + \eta v) v dt & \text{spent money} \\ ds = \alpha dt + \sigma dW & \text{stock price} \end{cases}$$

$$dy = (s + \eta \cdot r) \cdot v \cdot dt \quad ds = \alpha dt + \sigma dW$$

We want to minimize $E(y(T))$ so that $x(T) = 0$, let u be the value function of the solution (min from t)

$$d\left(\begin{matrix} y \\ s \end{matrix}\right) = \left(\begin{matrix} -v \\ (s + \eta \cdot r) v \end{matrix}\right) dt + \left[\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma \end{matrix}\right] dW$$

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$$\min_{\gamma^*} \left(-\nabla \cdot \partial_x u + r(S + h \cdot r) \gamma^* \right)$$

$$-\partial_x u + S \partial_y u + 2r^* \cdot \gamma \cdot \partial_y u = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^* &= \frac{\partial_x u - S \cdot \partial_y u}{2 \gamma \cdot \partial_y u} \\ &= m^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

Hamilton-Jacobi-Bellman:

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$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} & \min_u \{\eta v^2 \partial_y u + v(s \partial_y u - \partial_x u)\} \\ & v^* = \frac{s \partial_y u - \partial_x u}{2\eta \partial_y u} \end{aligned}$$

replace v^* into equation (23), and solve in u . Then replace in (24)... done.

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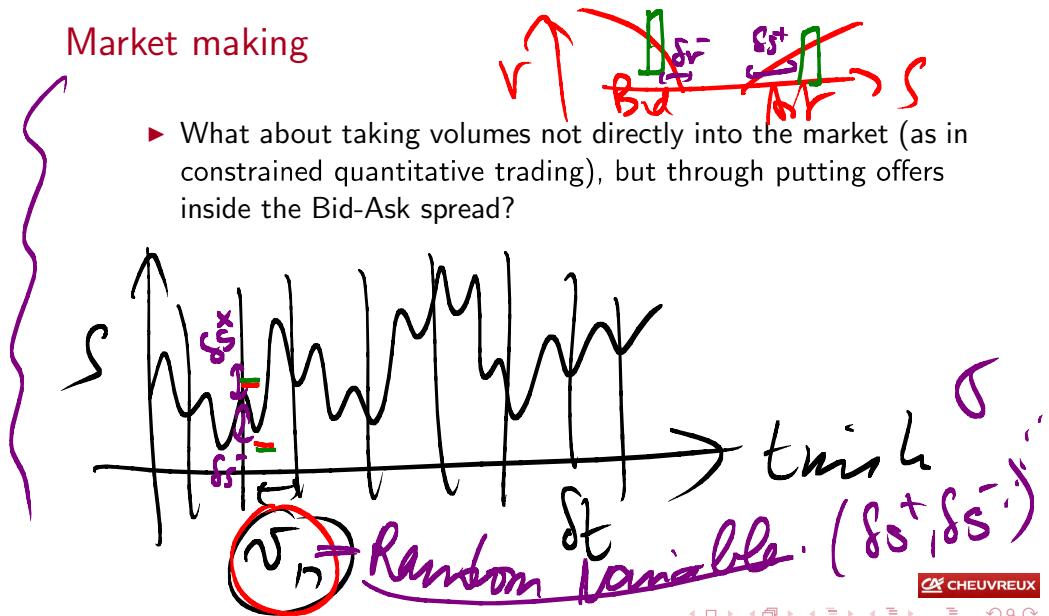
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 - ▶ You “*control*” your trading not by quantities but by limit prices δs^\pm
 - ▶ The usual v_n are now **Random variables** conditioned by the distance between your offer and the market LOB
 - ▶ More probability theory... less closed form formula...

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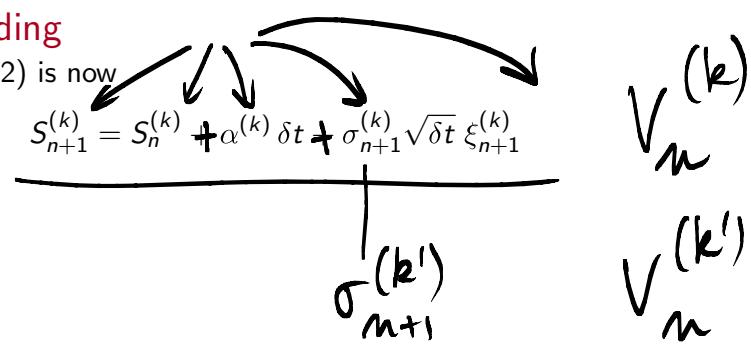
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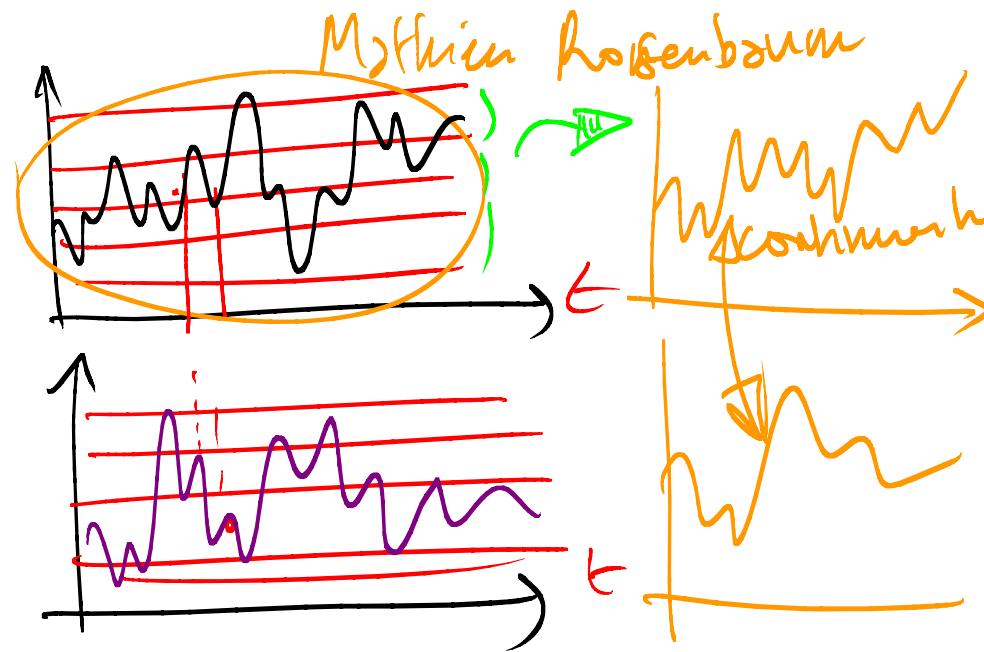
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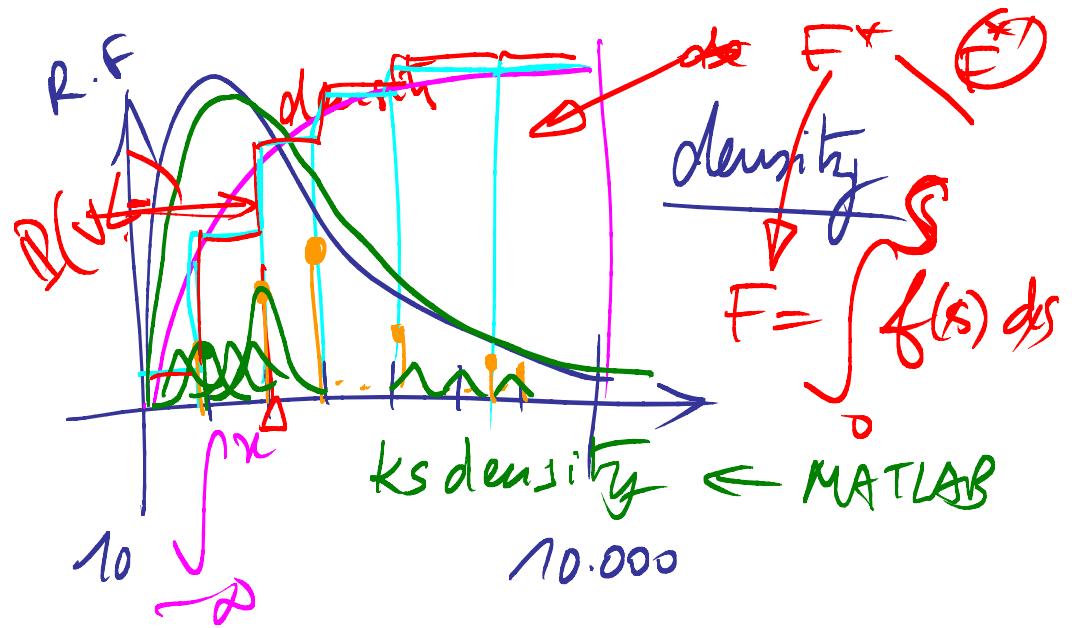
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Anyway multi stocks view is very useful: Market Impact can be seen as a relative move between two usually highly correlated stocks.



Implicit market impact models

- ▶ Based on non parametric statistics
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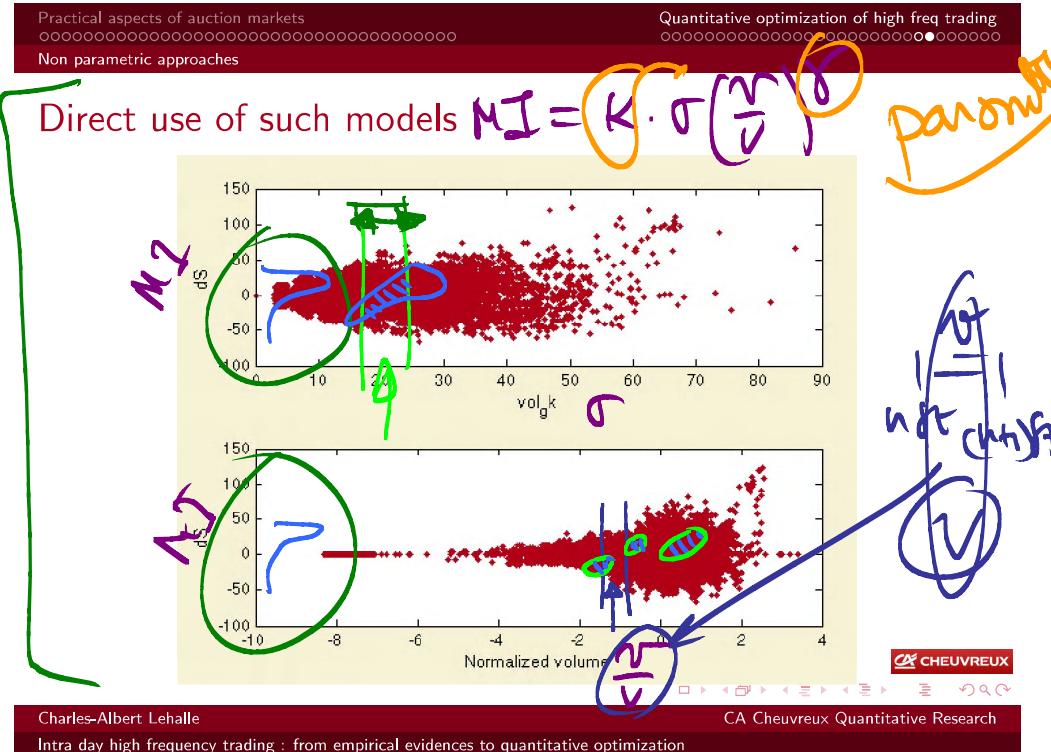
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- ▶ It is like “smoothly” look around similar market conditions in the past, going back to an estimation framework:

$$MI(v) = E(\delta S | \text{market conditions})$$



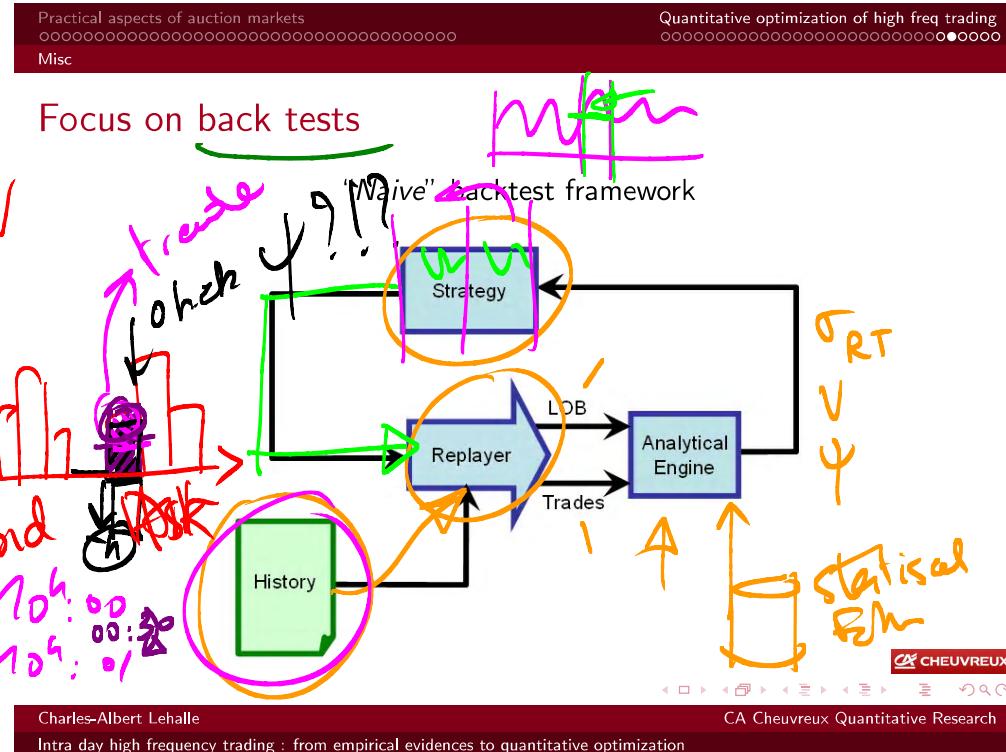
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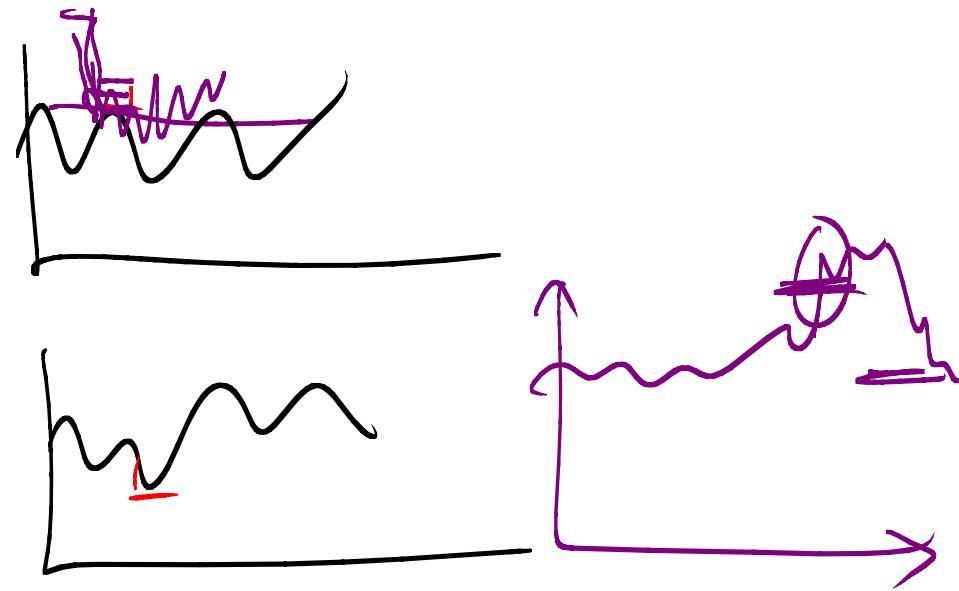
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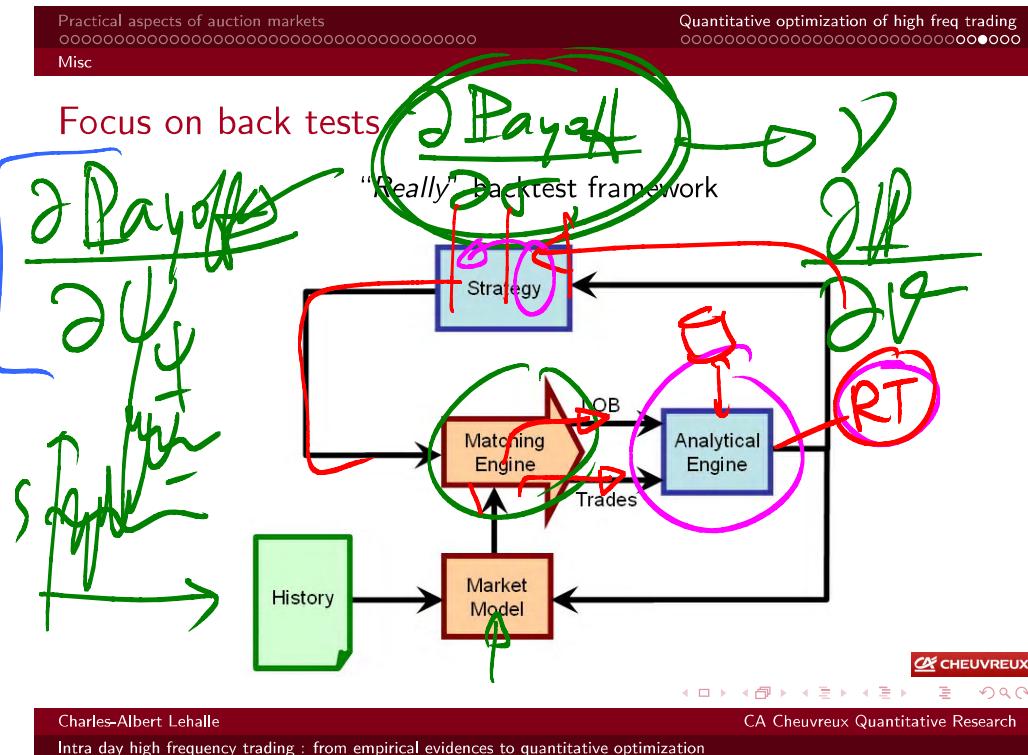
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(read Engle, Ferstenberg)







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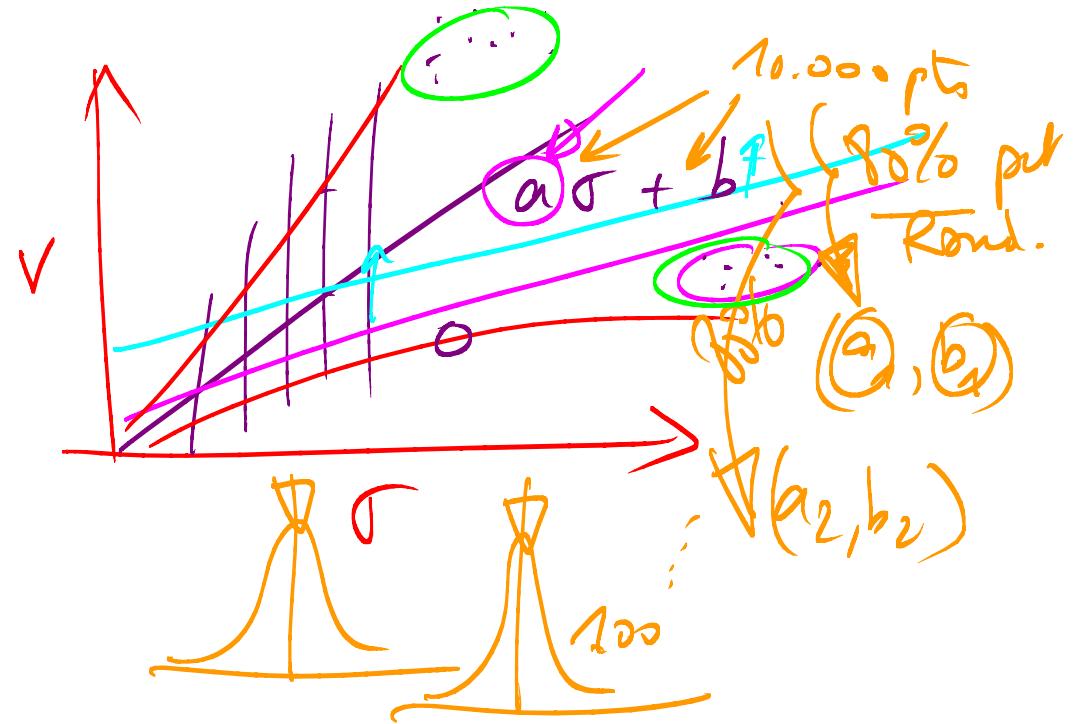
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