

# A Graph Transformer Framework for HK-Mainland Cross-Border Option Pricing with Dynamic Correlation Modeling

**Abstract.** Introduction of a novel framework that uses Graph-Transformer model on the PDE solving for pricing cross-border derivatives between Hong Kong and Mainland China market. We model the financial ecosystem as a dynamic graph where node represents A-Share and H-share while edges captures the Stock Connect programs linkage with North/South capital flows as edge features.

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## 1 Introductions

Considering the extended multi-asset black-scholes PDE :

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_A^2 S_A^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S_A^2} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_H^2 S_H^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S_H^2} + \rho_{AH}\sigma_A\sigma_H S_A S_H \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S_A \partial S_H} + r S_A \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_A} + r S_H \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_H} - rV = 0$$

While in our model, we consider :

$$\rho_{AH}(t) = f_\theta(\mathcal{G}(t))$$

s.t Its dynamic and graph-dependent :

Where :

- $\mathcal{G}(t) = (V, E, X(t), A(t))$  is the financial graph at time  $t$
- $f_\theta$  is our Graph Transformer model
- $X(t)$  are node features (prices, volumes, etc.)
- $A(t)$  are edge features (capital flows)

## 2 Graph-Transformer Architecture

Now considering the architecture of the model :

Initial Encoding :

$$h_i^{(0)} = MLP([S_i, V_i, F_i^{north}, F_i^{south}, \dots])$$

Multi-Head Graph Attention :

$$h_i^{(l+1)} = ||_{k=1}^K \sigma(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \alpha_{ij}^{k,(l)} W^{k,(l)} h_j^{(l)})$$

Attention Coefficients :

$$\alpha_{ij}^{k,(l)} = \frac{\exp(\text{LeakyReLU}(a^{k,(l)T} [W^{k,(l)} h_i^{(l)} || W^{k,(l)} h_j^{(l)} || e_{ij}]))}{\sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \exp(\text{LeakyReLU}(a^{k,(l)T} [W^{k,(l)} h_i^{(l)} || W^{k,(l)} h_m^{(l)} || e_{im}]))}$$

Temporal Transformer:

For temporal pattern  $\mathbf{H} = [\mathbf{h}^{(t-T)}, \dots, \mathbf{h}^{(t)}]$ :

$$Z = \text{Transformer}(H + P)$$

where  $\mathbf{P}$  is positional encoding.

## 3 Correlation Predictions

Edge-wise Correlations :

For edge  $(i, j)$  connecting A-share  $i$  and H-share  $j$ :

$$p_{ij}(t) = \tanh(w_p^T [z_i^{(t)} || z_j^{(t)} + b_\rho])$$

where  $\mathbf{z}_i^{(t)}$  is the final node embedding after spatial-temporal processing.

## 4 PDE-Constrained Learning

We can formulate this as a Physics-Informed Neural Network (PINN):

Loss Function :

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{data} + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{PDE}$$

Data Loss :

$$\mathcal{L}_{data} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (V_{model}(S_A^i, S_H^i, \rho_{graph}^i) - V_{market}^i)^2$$

PDE Loss :

$$\mathcal{L}_{PDE} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M \|BS - PDE(V, S_A^j, S_H^j, \rho_{graph}^j)\|^2$$

where the PDE residual is computed using automatic differentiation.

## 5 Option Pricing with Graph Correlation

Spread Option Price:

Using Kirk's approximation with graph correlations :

$$V_{spread}(S_A, S_H, K, T) = e^{-rT} [F_A N(d_1) - (F_H + K) N(d_2)]$$

Where :

$$\begin{aligned} - F_A &= S_A e^{rT}, F_H = S_H e^{rT} \\ - \sigma_{spread} &= \sqrt{\sigma_A^2 + \sigma_H^2 - 2\rho_{AH}(t)\sigma_A\sigma_H} \\ - d_1 &= \frac{\ln(F_A/(F_H + K)) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{spread}^2 T}{\sigma_{spread}\sqrt{T}} \\ - d_2 &= d_1 - \sigma_{spread}\sqrt{T} \end{aligned}$$

## 6 Stochastic Correlation Process :

Notice that :

$$d\rho_{AH}(t) = \mu_\rho(\mathcal{G}(t))dt + \sigma_\rho(\mathcal{G}(t))dW_\rho$$

Where both drift and volatility are outputs :

$$\mu_\rho, \sigma_\rho = g_\theta(\mathcal{G}(t))$$

Leading to a system of coupled SDEs :

$$dS_A = \mu_A S_A dt + \sigma_A S_A dW_A$$

$$dS_H = \mu_H S_H dt + \sigma_H S_H dW_H$$

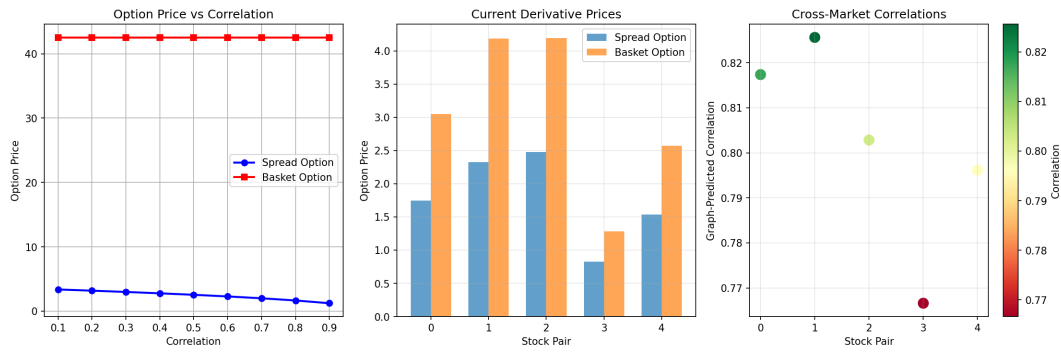
$$d\rho_{AH} = \mu_\rho(\mathcal{G})dt + \sigma_\rho(\mathcal{G})dW_\rho$$

$$< dW_A, dW_H > = \rho_{AH} dt$$

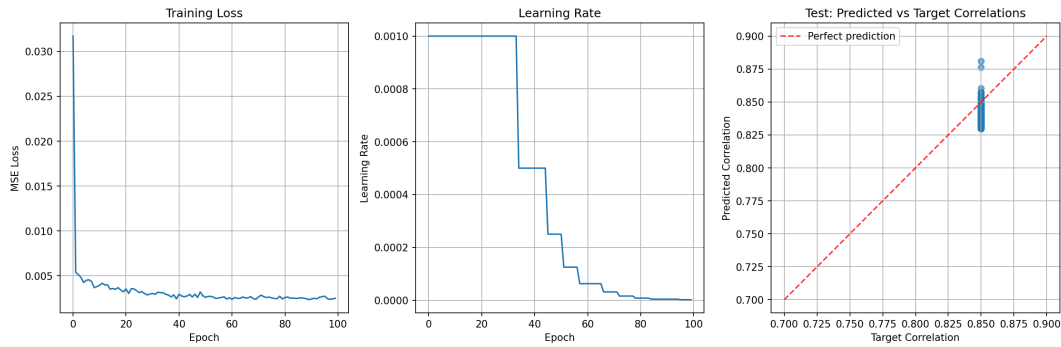
## 7 Results

Considering the results, our model has achieved a stable convergence with learning rate scheduling, without any overfitting observed while the error is highly accurate, with tested MAE : 0.010812, MSE : 0.000146.

Considering the economically predictions fall into the range of 0.77 and 0.83 across A-H pairs, the graph-driven correlation produced option value with the range \$0.82 to 2.48 for spread options and \$1.28-4.19 for basket options. Showing that spread option price should increase by 540% as correlation move from 0.1 to 0.9.



**Fig. 1.** Economical Results



**Fig. 2.** Training Results

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