ModelIndependentPricingWithInsiderInformation

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Code to accompany the paper "Model-independent pricing with insider information: a Skorokhod embedding approach" by Beatrice Acciaio, Alexander M. G. Cox and Martin Huesmann.

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embedding approach by Beatrice Accialo, Alexander M. G. Cox and Martin Huesmann.

[1]: import numpy as np import matplotlib import scipy

%matplotlib inline

[2]: plt.rcParams["figure.figsize"] = (12, 6)

[3]: # Try to solve the following simple example:

# Atoms at SO-L, SO-L/2, SO, SO+L

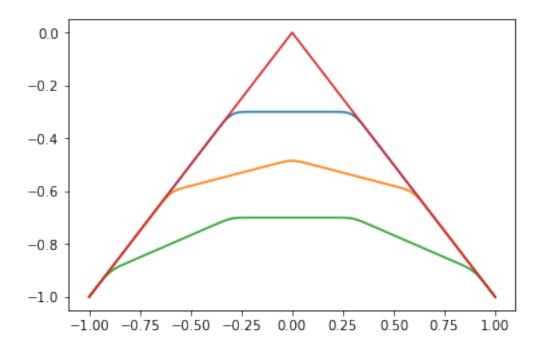
# Before hitting SO+L/2, process stops at or above SO-L

# After hitting SO+L/2, must stop at or before hitting SO-L/2

# Need to determine how much to initally stop at SO-L/2, SO
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NL = int(N/2.0) # Index of atom at -L/2
NL2 = N+NL # Index of upper barrier
p1 = 0.1 \# Probability to embed at -L/2
p2 = 0.4 # Probability to embed at 0
# Compute probabilities at -L, L:
p0 = (p1*(x[2*N]-x[NL])+p2*(x[2*N]-x[N])-x[2*N]+x[N])/(x[0]-x[2*N])
p3 = 1-p0-p1-p2
# x-values at important points.
x0 = x[0]
x1 = x[NL]
x2 = x[N]
x3 = x[2*N]
# Array of atom locations, probabilities
at = np.array([x[0],x[NL],x[N],x[2*N]])
prob = np.array([p0,p1,p2,p3])
# Potential function corresponding to measure to be embedded.
def pot(at,prob,x):
    return -prob@np.abs(np.ones((4,2*N+1))*x-(np.ones((2*N+1,4))*at).T)
\# Potential at x associated to embedding measure on a, b with initial atom at_{\sqcup}
\rightarrow x0.
def pot2(a,b,x0,x):
    return np.maximum(np.minimum((x-a)*2*(b-x0)/(b-a),(b-x)*2*(1-(b-x0)/
\hookrightarrow (b-a))),np.zeros(np.shape(x)))
# Potential function to embed.
umu = pot(at,prob,x)
plt.plot(x,umu,x,-np.abs(x-S0));
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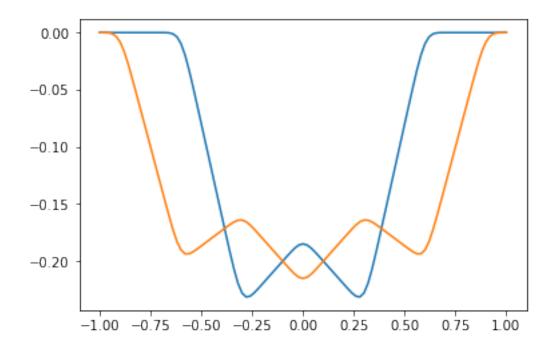
alpha is: 0.125

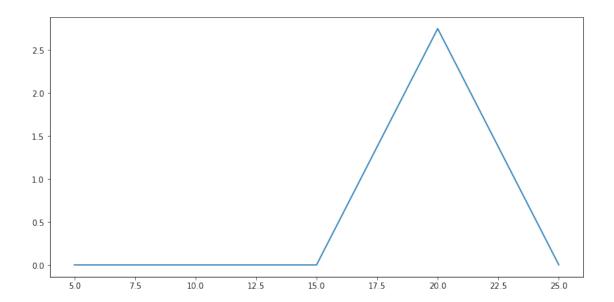


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[4]: # Compute the potential of the measure to be embedded before hitting SO+L/2.
     # Indexed by a parameter delta. Delta=0 corresponds to stopping as much as_{f \sqcup}
     \rightarrow possible at SO-L/2
     # Delta = 1 corresponds to stopping as much as possible at SO
     NL2 = 150
     def umu_interm(delta,NL2):
         lam = (-np.abs(x[NL2]-S0)-umu[:NL2])/(x[NL2]-x[:NL2])
         N_{crit} = np.argmin((-np.abs(x[NL2]-S0)-umu[:NL2])/(x[NL2]-x[:NL2]))
         umu0 = np.zeros(2*N+1)
         umu0[:N_crit] = umu[:N_crit]
         umu0[N_crit:NL2] = umu[N_crit]+lam[N_crit]*(x[N_crit:NL2]-x[N_crit])
         umu0[NL2:] = -np.abs(x[NL2:]-S0)
         \#plt.plot(x,umu,x,-np.abs(x),x,umu[N_crit]+lam[N_crit]*(x-x[N_crit]));
         y1 = umu[NL]+(x[N]-x[NL])*(umu[NL]-umu[NL-1])/(x[NL]-x[NL-1])
         y2 = y1
         pr1 = ((umu[NL]-umu[NL-1])/(x[NL]-x[NL-1])
                - (-(x[NL2]-S0)-y1)/(x[NL2]-x[N]))/2.
         pr2 = ((umu[N]-umu[N-1])/(x[N]-x[N-1])
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-(umu[N+1]-umu[N])/(x[N+1]-x[N]))/2.
    if pr1 < pr2:</pre>
        # Put no mass at x1 in stage 1
        umu1 = np.minimum(x[0]-S0+(x-x[0])*(y1-(x[0]-S0))/(x[N]-x[0]),
                    np.minimum(-(x-S0),
                           y1 + (x-x[N])*(-x[NL2]+S0-y1)/(x[NL2]-x[N]))
    else:
        # Put mass at x1 in stage 1, no mass at x2 in stage 2.
        # Solve (-x[NL2]+SO-y2)/(x[NL2]-x[N]) - (y2-umu[NL])/(x[N]-x[NL])
                  = (umu[N+1]-umu[N])/(x[N+1]-x[N])-(umu[N]-umu[N-1])/
 \rightarrow (x[N]-x[N-1])
        y2 = (((-x[NL2]+S0)/(x[NL2]-x[N])+ umu[NL]/(x[N]-x[NL])
               - (umu[N+1]-umu[N])/(x[N+1]-x[N])+(umu[N]-umu[N-1])/
 \rightarrow (x[N]-x[N-1]))
              /(1./(x[NL2]-x[N])+1./(x[N]-x[NL]))
        umu1 = np.minimum(-np.abs(x-S0)),
                    np.minimum(umu[NL]+(x-x[NL])*(y2-umu[NL])/(x[N]-x[NL]),
                           np.minimum(y2+(-x[NL2]+S0-y2)*(x-x[N])/(x[NL2]-x[N]),
                                x[0]-SO+(x-x[0])*(umu[1]-umu[0])/(x[1]-x[0])))
    return (1-delta)*umu0+delta*umu1
plt.plot(x,umu,x,-np.abs(x-S0),x,umu_interm(0.,NL2),x,umu_interm(1.,NL2));
plt.figure()
plt.plot(x,umu_interm(0.,NL2)-umu)
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[4]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7f93807b5390>]





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[5]: # Solve the embedding problem.

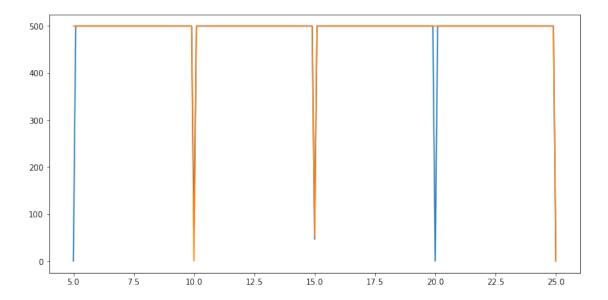
# Compute for a fixed delta \in (0,1), representing the possible slope at □

□x[NL2-]:

# delta = 0 corresponds to: stop as little mass as possible before NL2

# delta = 1 corresponds to: stop as much mass as possible before NL2
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delta = 0.5
umu_target = umu_interm(delta, NL2)
u = np.zeros((2,M+1,2*N+1)) # Potential of stopped/restarted measures
u_tot = np.zeros((M+1,2*N+1)) # Total potential
#w = np.zeros((2,2*N+1,2*N+1))
\#u\_rem = np.zeros((2,M+1,2*N+1))
bar = np.zeros((2,M+1,2*N+1)) # Barriers.
u[0,0,:] = -np.abs(x-S0)
# Discretize the Laplacian
A = alpha*np.diag(np.ones(2*N),1) + alpha*np.diag(np.ones(2*N),-1)+(1-2.
\rightarrow*alpha)*np.eye(2*N+1)
A[0,1] = 0.0
A[0,0] = 1.0
A[2*N,2*N-1] = 0.0
A[2*N,2*N] = 1.0
A2 = np.copy(A)
A2[NL,:] = np.zeros(2*N+1)
A2[NL,NL] = 1.0
atoms_idx = [0,NL,N,NL2,2*N]
for i in range(M):
    \# bar[0,i,:] = 1*(u[0,i,:] <= umu0)
    bar[0,i,atoms_idx] = 1*(u[0,i,atoms_idx]<=umu_target[atoms_idx])</pre>
    bar[0,i,NL2] = 1
    \#temp = u[0, i, N] - umu[N] - ((1+(-(x[NL2]-S0)-u[0, i, NL2-1])/
\rightarrow (x[NL2]-x[NL2-1]))/2.*
    #
                     pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x[N]) -
    #
                     u[1,i,N]
    \#bar[0,i,N] = max((bar[0,i-1,N] if i>0 else 0),
                             (temp \ll 0)
    u[0,i+1,:] = (1-bar[0,i,:])*(A@u[0,i,:])+bar[0,i,:]*u[0,i,:]
        u[1,i,:] = u[1,i,:] + pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x)*(
            (u[0,i-1,NL2-1]-u[0,i-1,NL2])-(u[0,i,NL2-1]-u[0,i,NL2]))/dx/2.
    else:
        u[1,i,:] = u[1,i,:] + pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x)*(
            1-(u[0,i,NL2-1]-u[0,i,NL2])/dx)/2.
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[6]: # Define a function to simulate from the hitting distribution.

def simulate(r,nMax):
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B = S0+np.cumsum(np.sqrt(dt)*np.random.normal(0,1,M+1))
    B2 = np.minimum(np.maximum(np.array((B-S0)/dx+N,dtype='int32'),np.
 \rightarrowzeros(M+1)),np.ones(M+1)*(2*N))
    B2 = B2.astype('int32',copy=False)
    \#plt.plot(t,B,r[0,:],x)
    #print(B2[0])
    #print(r[0,B2[0]])
    n0 = np.argmax((r[0,B2]<t))
    t0 = t[n0]
    if n0 == 0:
        n0 = M
        t0 = t[M]
    if (B2[n0] >= nMax):
        n1 = np.argmax((r[1,B2[n0:]] < t[n0:]))+n0
        if (n1==n0) and (r[1,B2[n0]] >= t[n0]):
            n1 = M
            t1 = t[M]
        else:
            t1 = t[n1]
    else:
        n1 = n0
        t1 = t0
    \#plt.plot(t,B,t[0:(n0+1)],B[0:(n0+1)],t[n0:(n1+1)],B[n0:(n1+1)],r[0,:n2+1)
\rightarrow], x, r[1,:], x);
    return (t0,x[B2[n0]],t1,x[B2[n1]])
simulate(bar t,NL2)
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[6]: (38.32499999999726, 20.0, 76.0299999999946, 25.0)

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[7]: # Check the barrier by simulation.

nn = 1000 # Number of simulations
tt = np.zeros((2,nn))
xx = np.zeros((2,nn))
zz = np.zeros(nn)

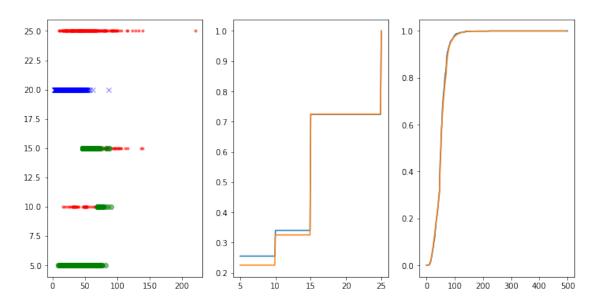
for i in range(nn):
    (tt[0,i],xx[0,i],tt[1,i],xx[1,i]) = simulate(bar_t,NL2)
zz[i] = (tt[0,i] == tt[1,i])
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zz = zz.astype('bool',copy=True)
plt.subplot(1,3,1)
plt.plot(tt[0,~zz],xx[0,~zz],'bx',tt[1,~zz],xx[1,~zz],'r.
\rightarrow',tt[0,zz],xx[0,zz],'go',alpha=0.5);
df = np.zeros(2*N+1)
for i in range(2*N+1):
    df[i] = np.sum((xx[1,:] \le x[i]))
#print(df[2*N])
df = df/nn
df_true = p0*(x>=x0) + p1*(x>=x1) + p2*(x>=x2) + p3*(x>=x3)
\#df\_true = p0*(x>x0) + p1*(x>x1) + p2*(x>x2) + p3*(x>x3)
plt.subplot(1,3,2)
plt.plot(x,df,x,df_true);
df_t = np.zeros(M+1)
for i in range(M+1):
    df_t[i] = np.sum((tt[1,:]<=t[i]))</pre>
df_t = df_t/nn
# Compute the stopping law from the barrier.
j = 100
M2 = round(M/(j+1))
temp = np.zeros(M2)
t2 = np.zeros(M2)
for i in range(M2):
    t2[i] = t[j*i]
    u2 = np.append([x[0]-S0-dx],np.append(u[0,j*i,:],[-x[2*N]+S0-dx]))
    temp[i] = np.sum(-np.diff(np.diff(u2/dx)/dx)*bar[0,j*i,:]*(x<x[NL2]))*dx/2.
    u2 = np.append([0.],np.append(u[1,j*i,:],[0.]))
    temp[i] += (1-(u[0,j*i,NL2-1]-u[0,j*i,NL2])/dx)/2.
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Average Score: 7.064499605162603

95% Confidence Interval: [6.978357040384388 , 7.150642169940818]

Theoretical Score: 7.100402282184623



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[8]: def findBarrier(umu,nMax, delta, tf = lambda t: np.sqrt(t)):
    delta = max(0.,min(delta,1.0))
    NL2 = nMax
    lam = (-np.abs(x[NL2]-S0)-umu[:NL2])/(x[NL2]-x[:NL2])
    N_crit = np.argmin((-np.abs(x[NL2]-S0)-umu[:NL2])/(x[NL2]-x[:NL2]))

    umu_target = umu_interm(delta,NL2)

u = np.zeros((2,M+1,2*N+1)) # Potential of stopped/restarted measures
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u_tot = np.zeros((M+1,2*N+1)) # Total potential
   bar = np.zeros((2,M+1,2*N+1)) # Barriers.
   u[0,0,:] = -np.abs(x-S0)
   # Discretize the Laplacian
   A = alpha*np.diag(np.ones(2*N),1) + alpha*np.diag(np.ones(2*N),-1)+(1-2.
\rightarrow*alpha)*np.eye(2*N+1)
   A[0,1] = 0.0
   A[0,0] = 1.0
   A[2*N,2*N-1] = 0.0
   A[2*N,2*N] = 1.0
   A2 = np.copy(A)
   A2[NL,:] = np.zeros(2*N+1)
   A2[NL,NL] = 1.0
   atoms_idx = [0,NL,N,NL2,2*N]
   for i in range(M):
       \# bar[0,i,:] = 1*(u[0,i,:] <= umu0)
       bar[0,i,atoms_idx] = 1*(u[0,i,atoms_idx] <= umu_target[atoms_idx])</pre>
       bar[0,i,NL2] = 1
       u[0,i+1,:] = (1-bar[0,i,:])*(A@u[0,i,:])+bar[0,i,:]*u[0,i,:]
       if i > 0:
           u[1,i,:] = u[1,i,:] + pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x)*(
               (u[0,i-1,NL2-1]-u[0,i-1,NL2])-(u[0,i,NL2-1]-u[0,i,NL2]))/dx/2.
       else:
           u[1,i,:] = u[1,i,:] + pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x)*(
               1-(u[0,i,NL2-1]-u[0,i,NL2])/dx)/2.
       bar[1,i,NL] = 1
       bar[1,i,2*N] = 1
       bar[1,i,N] = 1*(umu_target[N]-((1-(u[0,i,NL2-1]-u[0,i,NL2])/dx)/2.*
                            pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x[N]))+u[1,i,N] \le umu[N])
       u[1,i+1,:] = (1-bar[1,i,:])*(A2@u[1,i,:])+bar[1,i,:]*u[1,i,:]
       u_{tot}[i+1,:] = u[0,i+1,:]+u[1,i+1,:] - (1-(u[0,i+1,NL2-1]-u[0,i+1,NL2])/
\rightarrowdx)/2.*(pot2(x[NL],x[2*N],x[NL2],x))
   bar_t = T_mx-dt*np.sum(bar,1)
   # Compute the stopping law from the barrier.
   j = 100
   M2 = round(M/(j+1))
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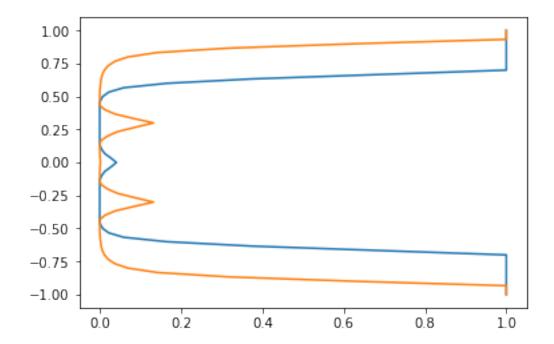
17.90322580645162 130 18.0

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[10]: def findOptimalDelta(umu, NL2, n, tf = lambda t: np.sqrt(t), verbose=False):
    val = np.zeros(n)
    delta_vec = np.linspace(0.,1.,n)
    sol = []
    for j in range(n):
        sol.append(findBarrier(umu,NL2,delta_vec[j], tf = tf))
        val[j] = sol[j][3]
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j0 = np.argmax(val)
if verbose:
    print(val)
    plt.plot(delta_vec,val)
    print(j0)
return sol[j0]

sol0 = findOptimalDelta(umu, NL2, 10, verbose=True)
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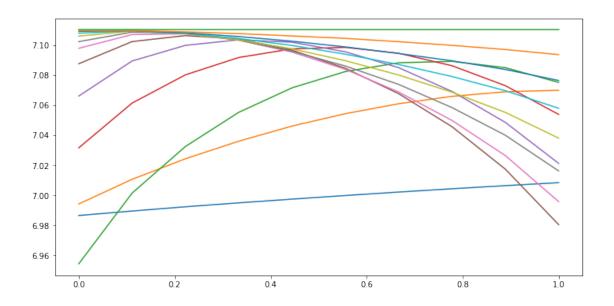
[7.05221004 7.07810044 7.09230731 7.099602 7.10135406 7.09835029 7.09086305 7.07870818 7.0617576 7.03850685]



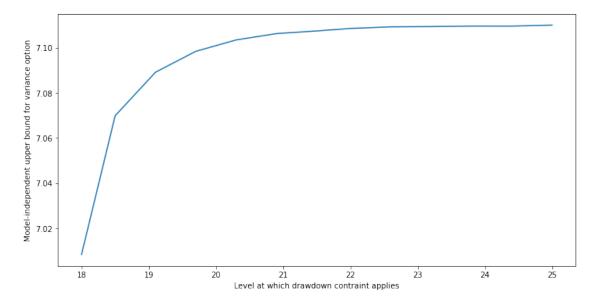
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[11]: sol = []
score_vec = np.zeros(len(NL2_vec))
for j in range(len(NL2_vec)):
    sol.append(findOptimalDelta(umu,NL2_vec[j],10,verbose=True))
    score_vec[j] = sol[j][3]

[6.98648839 6.9894576 6.99229374 6.99491317 6.99738034 6.99978788
    7.00208937 7.00428119 7.00635649 7.00833258]
9
[6.99418494 7.01057744 7.02426706 7.03595468 7.04602419 7.05426356
    7.0608892 7.06580224 7.0688599 7.06983263]
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[6.95437548 7.00139654 7.03242693 7.05517213 7.07147899 7.08231157
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7.09449012 7.08618388 7.07292174 7.05378338]
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[12]: plt.plot(x[NL2_vec],score_vec)
plt.xlabel("Level at which drawdown contraint applies")
plt.ylabel("Model-independent upper bound for variance option")
#plt.title("Model-independent price of Variance option as a function of
→ information");
plt.savefig("Price.pdf")
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[13]: def simTestBarrier(nMax, bar_t, t2, law_comp, actual_score, nn=1000, tf = lambda t: np.sqrt(t)):
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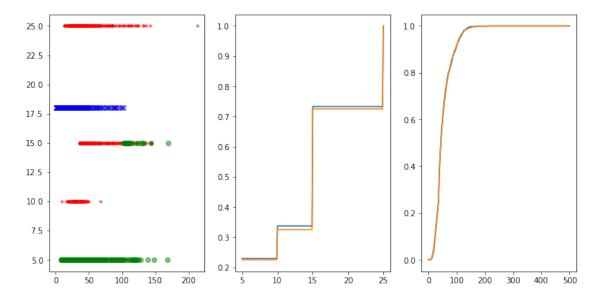
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# Check the barrier by simulation.
   # nn = 1000 # Number of simulations
   tt = np.zeros((2,nn))
   xx = np.zeros((2,nn))
   zz = np.zeros(nn)
   for i in range(nn):
       (tt[0,i],xx[0,i],tt[1,i],xx[1,i]) = simulate(bar_t,nMax)
       zz[i] = (tt[0,i] == tt[1,i])
   zz = zz.astype('bool',copy=True)
   plt.subplot(1,3,1)
  plt.plot(tt[0,~zz],xx[0,~zz],'bx',tt[1,~zz],xx[1,~zz],'r.
\rightarrow',tt[0,zz],xx[0,zz],'go',alpha=0.5);
   df = np.zeros(2*N+1)
   for i in range(2*N+1):
       df[i] = np.sum((xx[1,:] <= x[i]))
   #print(df[2*N])
   df = df/nn
   df_true = p0*(x>=x0) + p1*(x>=x1) + p2*(x>=x2) + p3*(x>=x3)
   \#df\_true = p0*(x>x0) + p1*(x>x1) + p2*(x>x2) + p3*(x>x3)
   plt.subplot(1,3,2)
   plt.plot(x,df,x,df_true);
   df_t = np.zeros(M+1)
   for i in range(M+1):
       df_t[i] = np.sum((tt[1,:] \le t[i]))
   df_t = df_t/nn
   plt.subplot(1,3,3)
   plt.plot(t,df_t,t2,law_comp);
  mn = np.mean(tf(tt[1,:]))
   sd = np.std(tf(tt[1,:]))
   print("Average Score: ",np.mean(tf(tt[1,:])))
   print("95% Confidence Interval: [",mn-1.96*sd/np.sqrt(nn),", ",mn+1.96*sd/
→np.sqrt(nn),"]")
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print("Theoretical Score: ",actual_score)
simTestBarrier(score_vec[0], *sol[0])
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Average Score: 7.004219202469829

95% Confidence Interval: [6.891241550634646 , 7.117196854305012]

Theoretical Score: 7.008332578260397



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[14]: for i in range(len(sol)):
     simTestBarrier(score_vec[i],*sol[i])
     plt.figure()
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Average Score: 7.078213824587465

95% Confidence Interval: [6.959927880555164 , 7.196499768619765]

Theoretical Score: 7.008332578260397 Average Score: 7.025151068302209

95% Confidence Interval: [6.931895791093513 , 7.1184063455109055]

Theoretical Score: 7.069832626654186

Average Score: 7.03422160991348

95% Confidence Interval: [6.939439571647617 , 7.129003648179343]

Theoretical Score: 7.089123322397338 Average Score: 7.101882256664785

95% Confidence Interval: [7.0079021796412855 , 7.195862333688285]

Theoretical Score: 7.098400365585858 Average Score: 7.093291256750459

95% Confidence Interval: [7.005332904135381 , 7.181249609365537]

Theoretical Score: 7.1034477266533305

Average Score: 7.158550168044237

95% Confidence Interval: [7.073518475982363 , 7.2435818601061115]

Theoretical Score: 7.1062628758934885

Average Score: 7.26112395239429

95% Confidence Interval: [7.168609327028868 , 7.353638577759712]

Theoretical Score: 7.107438655960337 Average Score: 7.186448264185207

95% Confidence Interval: [7.100289679450314 , 7.272606848920101]

Theoretical Score: 7.108538093180705 Average Score: 7.142181041338276

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Theoretical Score: 7.109261116101084 Average Score: 7.144382243060974

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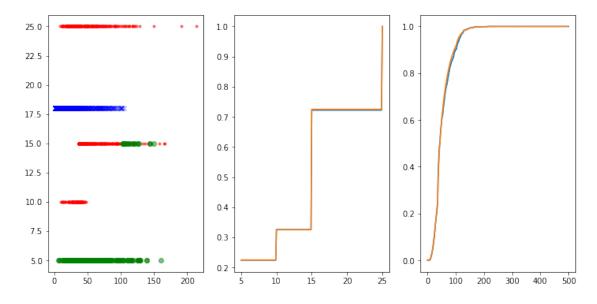
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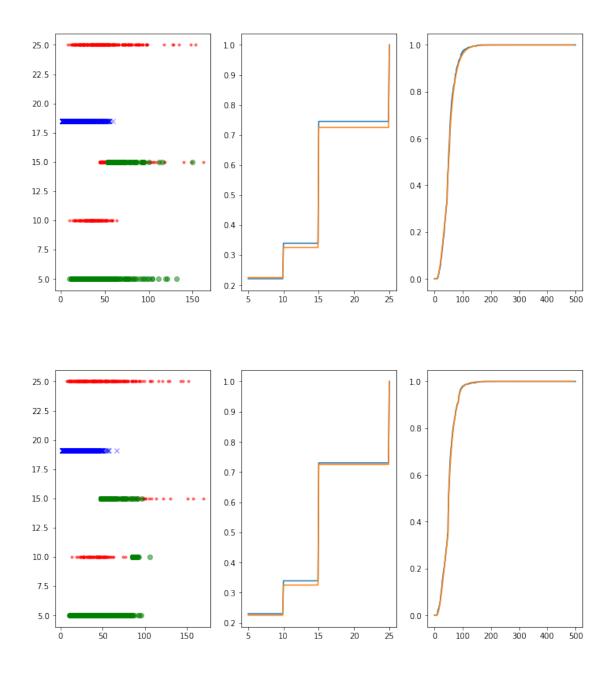
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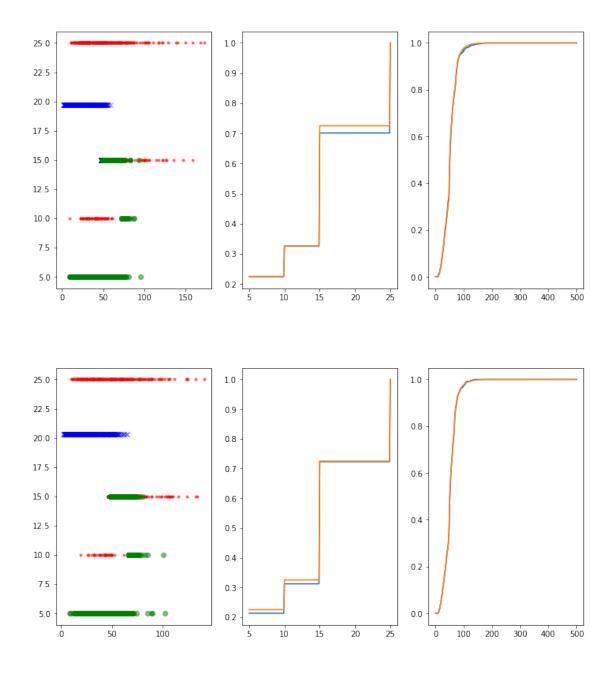
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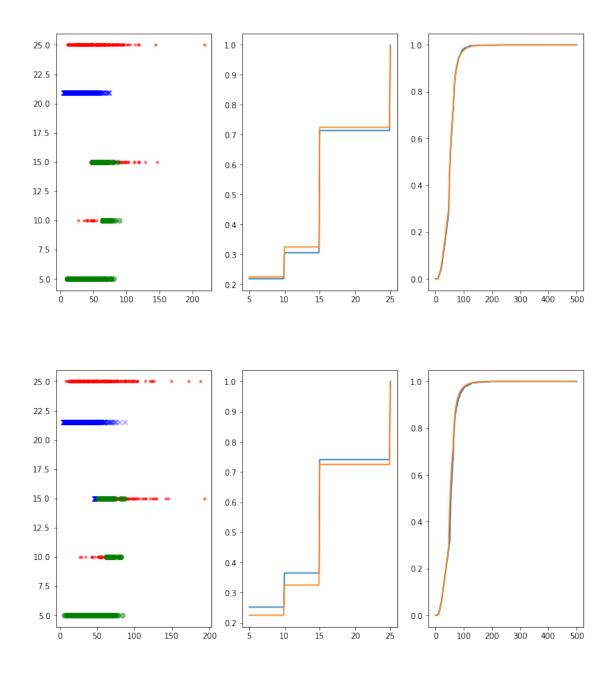
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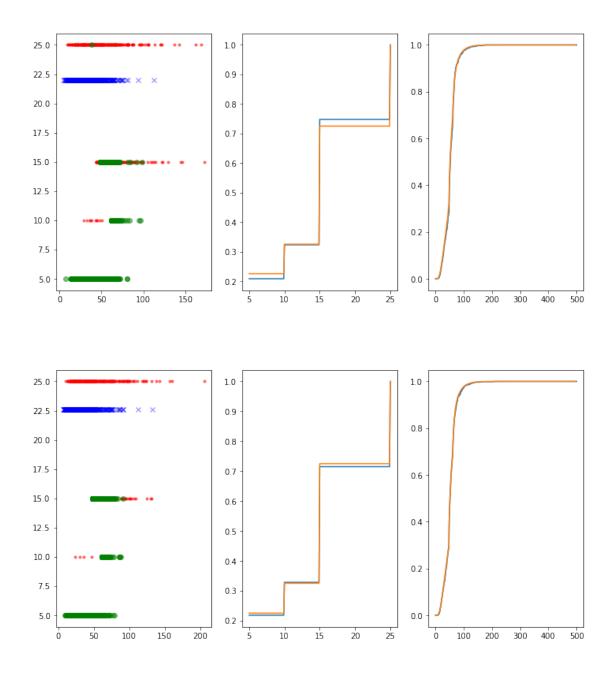
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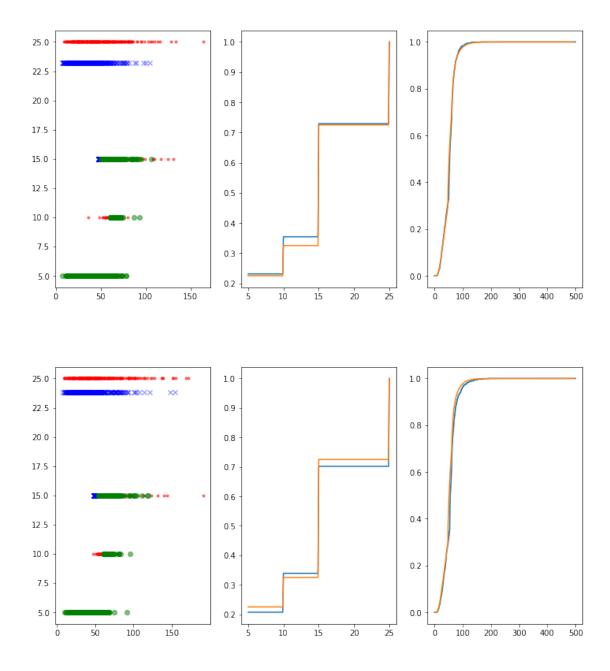


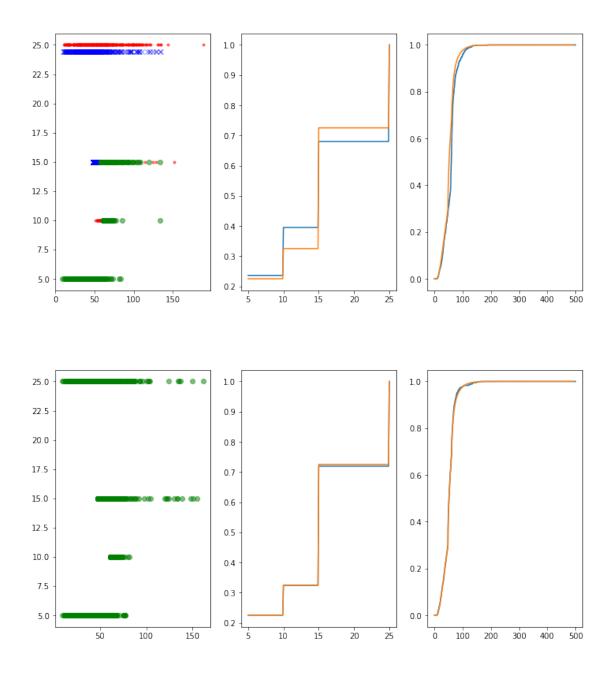








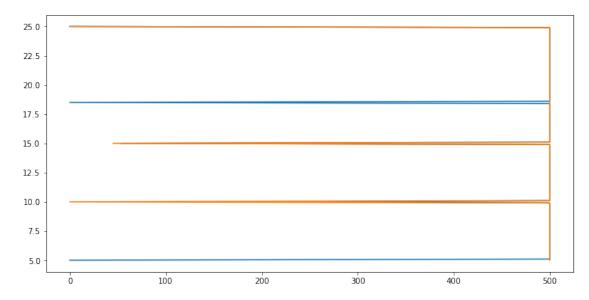


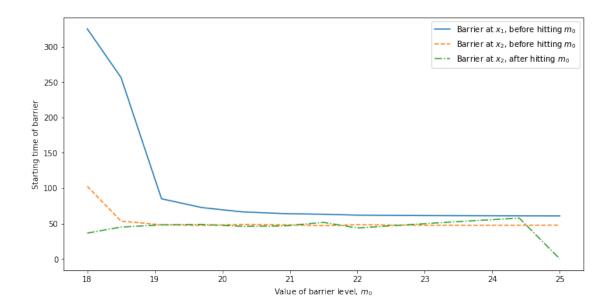


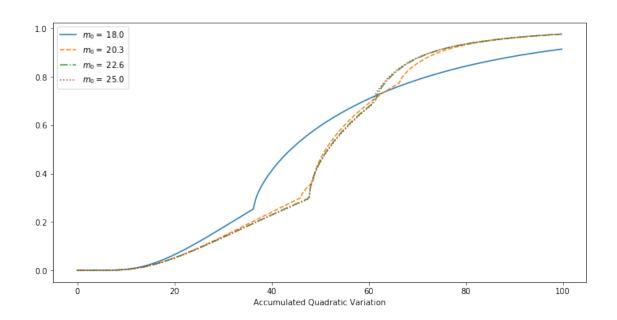
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[29]: plt.plot(sol[1][0][0],x, sol[1][0][1],x)
z = np.zeros((len(sol),3))

for i in range(len(sol)):
    z[i,0] = sol[i][0][0][NL]
    z[i,1] = sol[i][0][0][N]
    z[i,2] = sol[i][0][1][N]
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