FinancePy

A Python library for Financial Security Valuation and Risk-Management

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To use notebooks

To install FinancePy, use pip and type

pip install financepy

This should download version 0.187

- You will also need to have matplotlib and jupyter installed
- You can download the notebooks from

https://github.com/domokane/FinancePy-Conference-Notebooks

If you already have Jupyter installed, to start it type

python -m notebook

What is FinancePy?

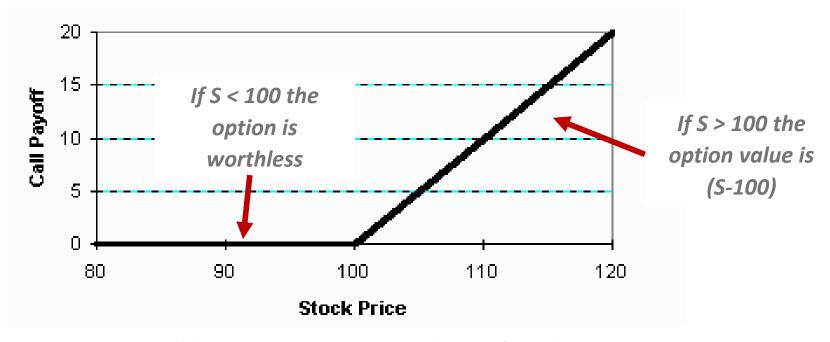
- FinancePy is a Python-based library for the valuation of financial securities with a special focus on derivatives
- Find it at https://github.com/domokane/FinancePy
- Developed by me finance academic with industrial background
- Contributions from Fergal O'Kane and Gurram Poorna Prudhvi
- Handles a broad range of asset classes including:
 - bonds
 - equities
 - currencies
 - interest rates
 - inflation
- And derivatives on all of these

What are Derivatives?

- Derivatives are financial contracts with payoffs linked to the price of market assets, e.g., stocks prices, interest rates, FX rates
- They are called "derivatives" because their value is derived from the price of the underlying asset
- The financial derivatives market is huge more than \$700 trillion.
- Derivatives enable ...
 - Banks to protect themselves against changes in interest rates
 - Companies to protect themselves against changes in FX rates
 - Farmers to fix the price of their harvest in advance
 - Investors to get paid to assume specific risk profiles
- The simplest (non-trivial) derivative is the Call Option...

What is a Call Option?

- Investor wants exposure to a stock for a year but does not want to lose too much money if the stock price falls
- The investor buys a call option they have the option to buy the stock in one year at a strike price equal to today's price of 100



- The investor will have to pay something for this option
- FinancePy can determine this price

FINANCEPY DESIGN

FinancePy Design

- Finutils
 - Basic functionality used across the library
- Market
 - Holders, processors of market data
- Models
 - Quantitative valuation model library
- Products
 - Financial instruments as Python classes

FinUtils

- There are a lot of market conventions used in finance
- We ensure these are followed as exactly as possible in FinancePy
- FinDate
 - In finance, dates are key to determining valuation
 - There are certain key dates (CDS, IMM dates)
- FinCalendar
 - Need to know all holiday dates in NY, Europe, London, ...
- FinSchedule
 - Need to calculate series of cashflow payment dates in accordance with market conventions

Financial Securities Covered

	Bonds		Funding		Equity		FX
	FinBond		FinFixedLeg	•	FinEquityAmericanOption		FinFXForward
•	FinBondAnnuity		FinFloatLeg	•	FinEquityAsianOption		FinFXVanillaOption
•	FinBondConvertible	•	FinIborBasisSwap	•	FinEquityBarrierOption		FinFXBarrierOption
•	FinBondEmbeddedOption	•	FinIborCallableSwap	•	FinEquityBasketOption		FinFXBasketOption
•	FinBondFRN	•	FinIborDeposit	•	FinEquityChooserOption		FinFXRainbowOption
•	FinBondFuture		FinIborFuture	•	FinEquityCliquetOption	•	FinFXDigitalOption
•	FinBondMortgage		FinIborFRA	•	FinEquityCompoundOption		FinFXFixedLookbackOption
•	FinBondOption		FinIborSwap	•	FinEquityDigitalOption		FinFXFloatLookbackOption
	Credit		FinIborCapFloor	•	${\sf FinEquityFixedLookbackOption}$		FinFXVarianceSwap
			FinIborSwaption	•	${\sf FinEquityFloatLookbackOption}$		
•	FinCDS		FinIborSingleCurve	•	FinEquityRainbowOption		Inflation
•	FinCDSBasket		FinIborDualCurve		FinEquityOneTouchOption		
•	FinCDSCurve		FinIborOIS		FinEquityVanillaOption	•	FinInflationBond
•	FinCDSIndexOption		FinOIS		FinEquityVarianceSwap	•	FinInflationSwap
•	FinCDSIndexPortfolio		FinOISCurve		, ,		
	FinCDSOption		FinIborBermudanSwaption				Commodities
	FinCDSTranche		· ·····sor sermadanswap	, (1011		•	FinSwingContract (TBC)

Market

Discounting future cashflows correctly is essential

Discount Curves

- FinDiscountCurve
- FinDiscountCurveFlat
- FinDiscountCurveNS
- FinDiscountCurveNSS
- FinDiscountCurvePoly
- FinDiscountCurvePWF
- FinDiscountCurvePWL
- FinDiscountCurveZeros
- Managing the volatility assumptions for options is key

Volatility

- FinEquityVolCurve
- FinFXVolSurface
- FinIborCapVolCurve
- FinIborCapVolCurveFn

Models

Models are not product-specific

Lognormal

- FinGBMProcess
- FinModelBlack
- FinModelBlackScholes
- FinModelBlackScholesAnalytical
- FinModelBlackScholesShifted
- FinModelCRRTree

Credit

- FinModelGaussianCopula
- FinModelLossDbnBuilder
- FinModelLHPlus
- FinModelMertonCredit
- FinModelMertonCreditMkt

Rates

- FinModelRatesBDT
- FinModelRatesBK
- FinModelRatesCIR
- FinModelRatesHL
- FinModelRatesLMM

Normal

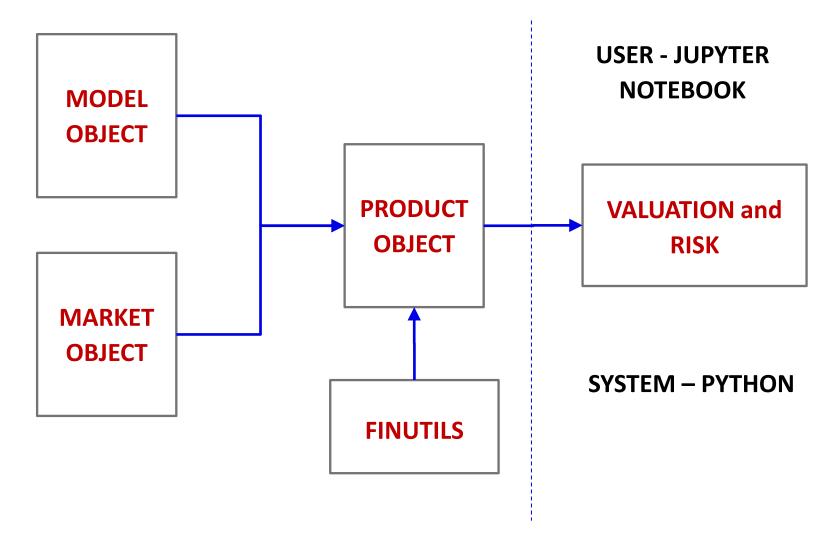
- FinModelBachelier
- FinModelRatesVasicek

Stochastic Vol

- FinModelHeston
- FinModelSABR

Design

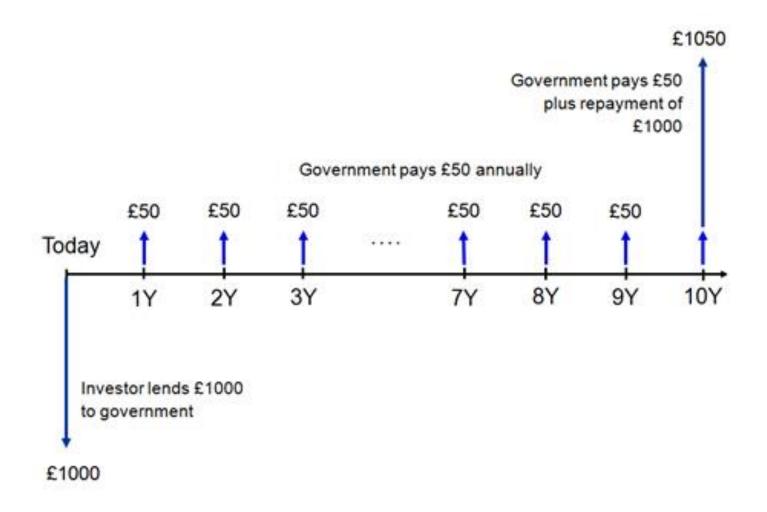
- Most users will only ever access functionality via a product object
- Library can be called from Jupyter or from Python code



Case Study: Analysing a Bond

A Government Bond

- Bonds are how governments borrow
- Example of a 10 year government bond with a 5% coupon



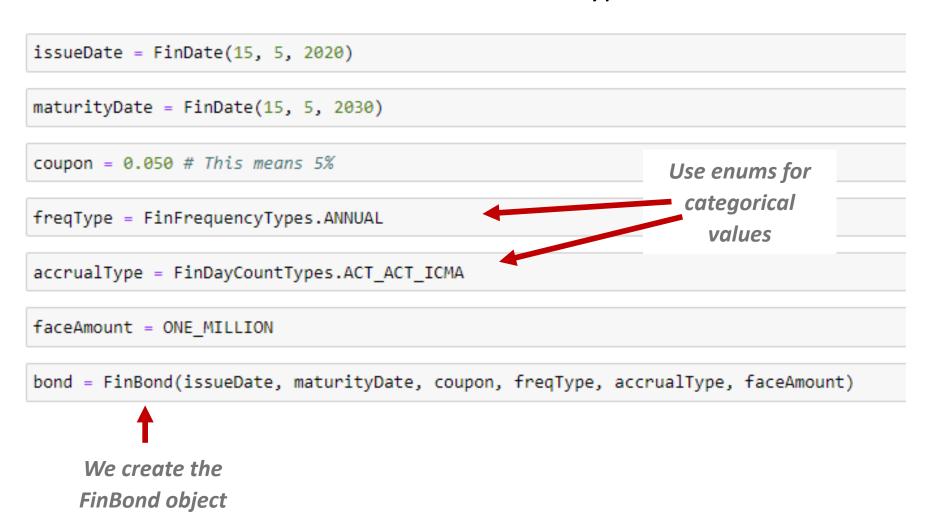
Starting the Jupyter Notebook

Open the notebook "Case Study – Analysing a Bond"

- I always load numpy and matplotlib for plotting
- I import all of the FinUtils functions
- I import the contents of FinBond loading all the products is slow

Creating a FinBond

We need to use FinDate and some Enum types



Examining a Product: A Bond

Every object is printable



OBJECT TYPE: FinBond

ISSUE DATE: 15-MAY-2010

MATURITY DATE: 15-MAY-2030

COUPON: 0.05

FREQUENCY: FinFrequencyTypes.ANNUAL

ACCRUAL TYPE: FinDayCountTypes.ACT_ACT_ICMA

FACE AMOUNT: 1000000

This helps transparency and can be used for reporting

Documentation

- If you need help, use help(FinBond)
- There is a 339-page auto-generated user guide in the project

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7.1 FinBond

Enumerated Type: FinYTMCalcType

This enumerated type has the following values:

- UK_DMO
- US_STREET
- US_TREASURY

Class: FinBond(object)

Class for fixed coupon bonds and performing related analytics. These are bullet bonds which means they have regular coupon payments of a known size that are paid on known dates plus a payment of par at maturity.

FinBond

Create FinBond object by providing the issue date, maturity Date, coupon frequency, annualised coupon, the accrual convention type, face amount and the number of ex-dividend days.

```
FinBond(issueDate: FinDate,
    maturityDate: FinDate,
    coupon: float, # Annualised bond coupon
    freqType: FinFrequencyTypes,
    accrualType: FinDayCountTypes,
    faceAmount: float = 100.0):
```

The function arguments are described in the following table

Argument Name	Type	Description	Default Value
issueDate	FinDate	-	-
maturityDate	FinDate	-	-
coupon	float	Annualised bond coupon	-
freqType	FinFrequencyTypes	-	-
accrualType	FinDayCountTypes	-	-
faceAmount	float	-	100.0

fullPriceFromYTM

Calculate the full price of bond from its yield to maturity. This function is vectorised with respect to the yield input. It implements a number of standard conventions for calculating the YTM.

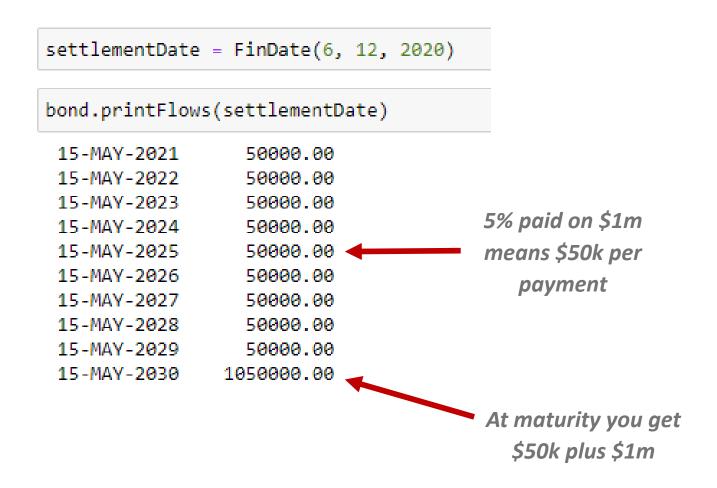
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Type Checking Inputs

- Want to protect users from accidents
- Type checking of inputs by adding types to function arguments
- Call a customized function that checks arguments

Transparency - Internal Calculations

We can obtain the list of cashflows as of a given settlement date



Example: Calculate the Yield

- An important metric is the yield (YTM), calculated from the price
- It needs to be exactly right as it is used to trade on
- Can calculate the YTM according to different conventions

```
cleanPrice = 102.20
```

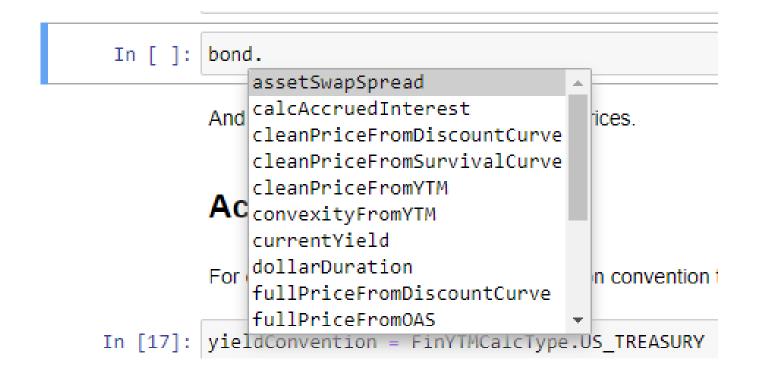
Yield to maturity using different conventions

```
FinYTMCalcType.UK_DMO 4.7022358
FinYTMCalcType.US_STREET 4.7022358
FinYTMCalcType.US_TREASURY 4.6986405
```

- This is a complex calculation that involves solving a 1D equation
- But the answer is instant we use a Numpy function to solve

Comprehensive set of Bond Functions

- There are lots of bond-specific functions
- These are all revealed using the tab key



Good way for the user to see the available functionality

Case Study: Valuing an Option

What is an Equity Vanilla Option?

- Open notebook "Case study Equity Vanilla Option.ipynb"
- As we saw earlier, an option is described by:
 - The expiry date
 - The strike price
 - The type of option (call or put)
- It's called a "Vanilla" option as it's the most common type of option and to distinguish it from other types of option
- Here I just consider an options on equities (company stocks)
- So FinEquityVanillaOption is the product name.

Creating a FinEquityVanillaOption

We need to specify the expiry date and the strike price

```
expiryDate = FinDate(1, 6, 2021)
strikePrice = 100.0
We now create the option object
callOption = FinEquityVanillaOption(expiryDate, strikePrice, FinOptionTypes.EUROPEAN CALL)
print(callOption)
OBJECT TYPE: FinEquityVanillaOption
                                                                       Enum for
EXPIRY DATE: 01-JUN-2021
STRIKE PRICE: 100.0
                                                                      option type
OPTION TYPE: FinOptionTypes.EUROPEAN CALL
NUMBER: 1.0
```

- The "number" of underlying shares is a default argument
- If we don't supply it, it equals 1.0

How do we value it?

- We use a model called "Black-Scholes"
- This is widely accepted as the market standard
- I won't try to explain why or derive it here!
- The Black-Scholes option needs to know:
 - The number of years to the expiry date
 - The stock price today
 - Interest rate
 - Dividend rate
 - Volatility of the stock price

Valuation of an Option

The valuation inputs are as follows

```
valueDate = FinDate(6, 12, 2020)

stockPrice = 90.0

dividendYield = 0.01
```

- Interest rates are very important. I have created several ways of representing the structure of interest rates.
- These are known as FinDiscountCurves objects
- The simplest is to assume that interest rates curves are flat
- I call this the FinDiscountCurveFlat object!

```
interestRate = 0.02

discountCurve = FinDiscountCurveFlat(valueDate, interestRate, FinFrequencyTypes.ANNUAL)
```

Valuation of an Option ... continued

The final input is a model – in BS this is just a volatility parameter

```
volatility = 0.20
model = FinModelBlackScholes(volatility)
```

The valuation takes in all the inputs including the model

```
callOption.value(valueDate, stockPrice, discountCurve, dividendYield, model)
```

1.801680685204456

- The option costs \$1.80
- Even though it is the market standard, Black-Scholes is not the only model that can be used to value an option
- Making the model an object allows us to use other models
- I have implemented several alternative models

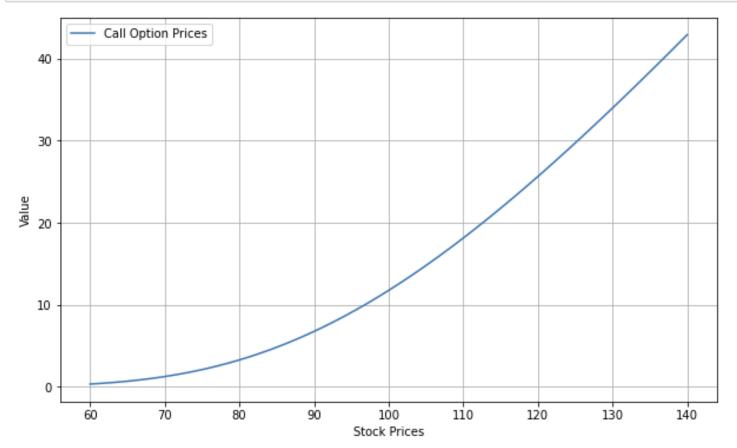
Vectorisation: Makes Analysis Easier

- There are lots of inputs to an option valuation
- If we want to see how the option value depends on the current stock price, normally we would need to write a valuation loop
- FinancePy avoids this pain by doing vectorization
- Some of this is automatic thanks to Numpy
- Some of it is hand-written internally
- In the notebook you will see a lot of examples

Vectorisation Example

```
stockPrices = np.linspace(60,140,100)
values = callOption.value(valueDate, stockPrices, discountCurve, dividendYield, model)
```

```
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
plt.plot(stockPrices,values, label="Call Option Prices")
plt.xlabel("Stock Prices")
plt.ylabel("Value")
plt.legend()
plt.grid()
```



Case Study: MC Optimization using Numpy and Numba

Numpy and Numba

Numpy

- Numpy is an open-source numerical library
- Uses compiled code to perform complex calculations quickly
- Vectorised calculations are faster than Python
- Need to know how to vectorise calculations

Numba

- Numba is an open-source JIT compiler
- JIT = Just In Time i.e., it compiles the code just before it is run
- It uses the LLVM compiler library and it means that speeds can approach that of C and Fortran
- It also facilitates parallel processing
- Just add a decorator to the Python function

Monte Carlo Option Pricing

- Some options have complex payoffs and cannot be priced using a closed-form equation so instead we have to use "Monte Carlo"
 - 1. Simulate many thousands of "paths" future stock prices drawn from the correct distribution
 - 2. Determine the payoff of the option on the expiry date
 - 3. Average over the payoffs
 - 4. Discount the average back to today to get the price
 - The price gets more accurate with more paths we want as many paths as possible!
 - Is Python fast enough to compete with C++ quant libraries ?
 - We analyze a call option in this example we have an equation for the exact price so we can measure the accuracy

Pure Python

- We draw random numbers using a Numpy function
- We then calculate the final stock price and the option payoff
- Finally, we average and discount the payoff

```
def valueMC1(s0, t, K, r, q, v, numPaths, seed):
    vsartt = v * sart(t)
    ss = s0 * exp((r - q - v*v / 2.0) * t)
                                                       Generate
    np.random.seed(seed)
                                                       random
    g = np.random.standard normal(numPaths)
                                                       numbers
    payoff = 0.0
    for i in range(0, numPaths):
        s = ss * exp(+g[i] * vsqrtt)
                                                    Loop over paths
        payoff += max(s - K, 0.0)
                                                       Average payoff
    v = payoff * np.exp(-r * t) / numPaths
                                                       and discount it
    return v
```

Using Numpy

We can vectorise several stages of the algorithm

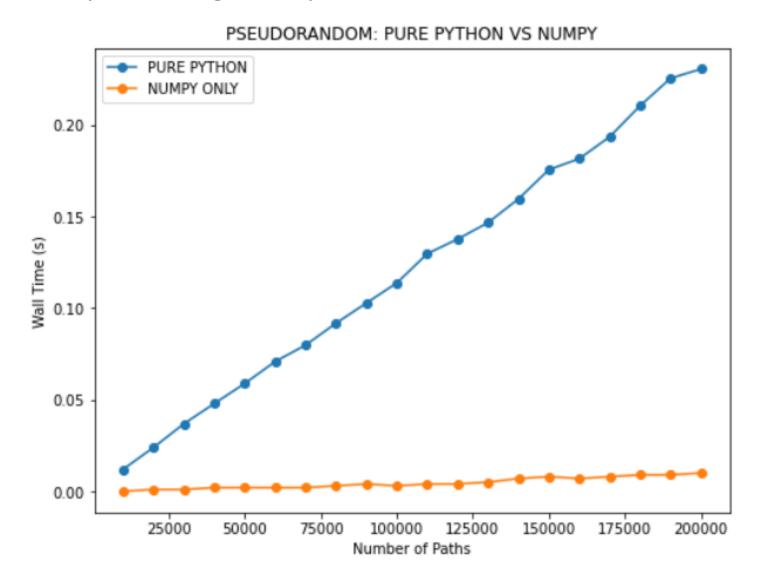
```
def valueMC2(s0, t, K, r, q, v, numPaths, seed):
    np.random.seed(seed)
    g = np.random.standard_normal(numPaths)
    vsqrtt = v * np.sqrt(t)
    s = s0 * exp((r - q - v*v / 2.0) * t)

s = s * np.exp(g * vsqrtt)
    payoff = np.maximum(s - K, 0.0)
    averagePayoff = np.mean(payoff)

v = averagePayoff * np.exp(-r * t)
    return v
```

Numpy vs Pure Python

The impact is huge – a speed increase of about x 25



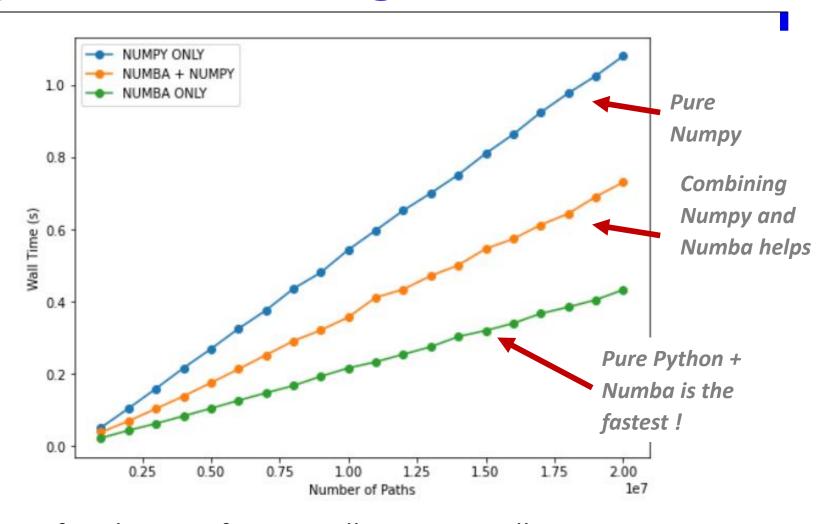
Using Numba

We import Numba and add a decorator to the pure Python

```
@njit(float64(float64, float64, float64, float64, float64, float64,
             int64, int64), cache=True, fastmath=True)
def valueMC3(s0, t, K, r, q, v, numPaths, seed):
    vsqrtt = v * sqrt(t)
    ss = s0 * exp((r - q - v*v / 2.0) * t)
                                                       Decorator that
    np.random.seed(seed)
                                                       shows function
    g = np.random.standard normal(numPaths)
                                                       signature, caches
                                                       the compiled
    payoff = 0.0
    for i in range(0, numPaths):
                                                       code and uses
        s = ss * exp(+g[i] * vsqrtt)
                                                       lower precision
        payoff += max(s - K, 0.0)
                                                       for faster math
    v = payoff * np.exp(-r * t) / numPaths
    return v
```

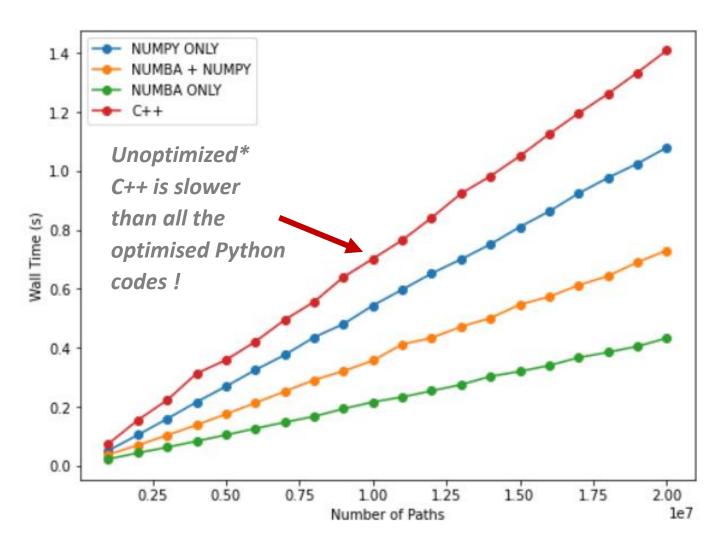
I also added a Numba decorator to the Numpy function.

Comparison of Timings



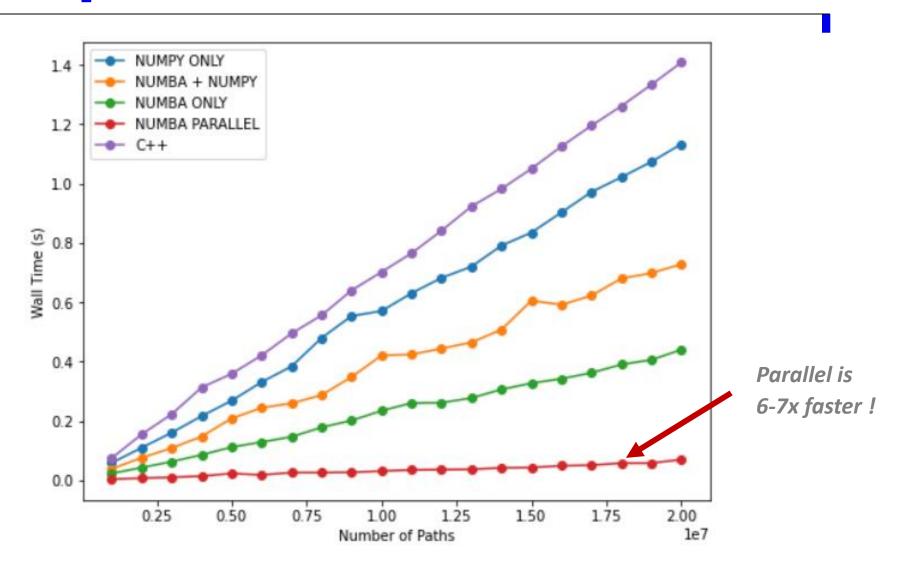
- Number of paths goes from 1 million to 20 million
- Numba ONLY = Python + Numba is the fastest of the three
- Note that all 3 gives identical results same random sequence

Comparison against Unoptimized C++



- I did a comparison against C++ (release, O2 optimized)
- Random number generator from NR has not been optimized

Last Optimisation - Parallel



- I set decorator flag parallel=True and change range to prange
- Numba Parallel is 6-7 times faster than Numba (I have 8 cores)

Other Highlights

- Bond Yield curve fitting with multiple parametric forms
- Building of IBOR discount curve
- Two curve-based pricing using OIS and associated derivatives
- Single factor Trinomial Trees for interest rate option pricing
- Multi-factor Libor Market Model
- Convertible bond pricing model
- Valuation of Synthetic CDO tranches
- Full calibration to FX volatility surface
- Multi-process simulator with stochastic volatility
- Variance reduction methods for path dependent options

and lots more ...

Target Audience

- Students and Professors
 - A way to teach/learn about finance and python
- Traders
 - A tool for checking a price
- Quantitative analyst
 - Analyzing a derivative to see if the price is fair
- Risk managers
 - Sensitivity analysis of derivative price
- Investor
 - Scenario testing an investment strategy
- Finance academic or researcher
 - Designing a new model or pricing algorithm

Alternatives: MATLAB's FIT

- One alternative is MATLAB's Financial Instruments Toolbox (FIT)
- Annual license for MATLAB is \$960 and Financial Toolbox is \$820
- Very comprehensive been in development for many years
- Fast for matrix calculations and vectorization
- Good documentation online plus online community for support
- The code is a "black box"
- API is not intuitive IMHO
- Not so easy to integrate into existing systems

* Based on €680 for FIT and €800 for Matlab and FX rate of 1.20

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QUANTLIB and **OTHERS**

- Free open-source C++ library
- Comprehensive and tested been in development for 10+ years
- Fast as it's coded in C++
- C++ can be linked into existing systems
- The code is complex for a newbie to understand
- Too complex to use as a tool for teaching finance
- Need advanced understanding of library to add new code

Others:

- OpenGamma looks good but it is in Java
- 3rd party vendors expensive and black boxes

Conclusions

- FinancePy is:
 - Transparent Open source and documented ✓
 - Low Cost Free ✓
 - Comprehensive One library for a broad range of products ✓
 - Responsive Code can be changed and released quickly ✓
 - Friendly User Interface Leverage Jupyter Notebook ✓
 - Fast Can compete with C++ ✓
 - Python The only fully Python finance pricing library ✓
- Hope it will gain more users and develop to become a useful toolkit for those needing a finance library
- As it's all in Python, it should be easier to get contributors ...

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Contributors

- Contact me if you wish to contribute at quant@financepy.com
- Most tasks require a knowledge of finance and derivative pricing
- You can see a list of issues on the github repository
- Some plans for future work:
 - More products commodities, MBS, securitized products
 - Models rates, seasonality (inflation + commodities)
 - Market calibration for complex rate derivatives
 - Payoff Language for structured products
 - Counterparty Value Adjustment valuation
 - Extensive testing!
- Thanks for your interest!