

# **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

```
>pip install financepy
Collecting financepy
  Downloading financepy-0.187-py3-none-any.whl (502 kB)
    |#####| 502 kB 726 kB/s
Requirement already satisfied: scipy in c:\users\dominic\appdata\local\packages\pythonso
Requirement already satisfied: numpy in c:\users\dominic\appdata\local\packages\pythonso
Requirement already satisfied: numba in c:\users\dominic\appdata\local\packages\pythonso
Requirement already satisfied: setuptools in c:\program files\windowsapps\pythonsoftware
Requirement already satisfied: llvmlite<0.36,>=0.35.0 in c:\users\dominic\appdata\local\
Installing collected packages: financepy
Successfully installed financepy-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 ?

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- 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

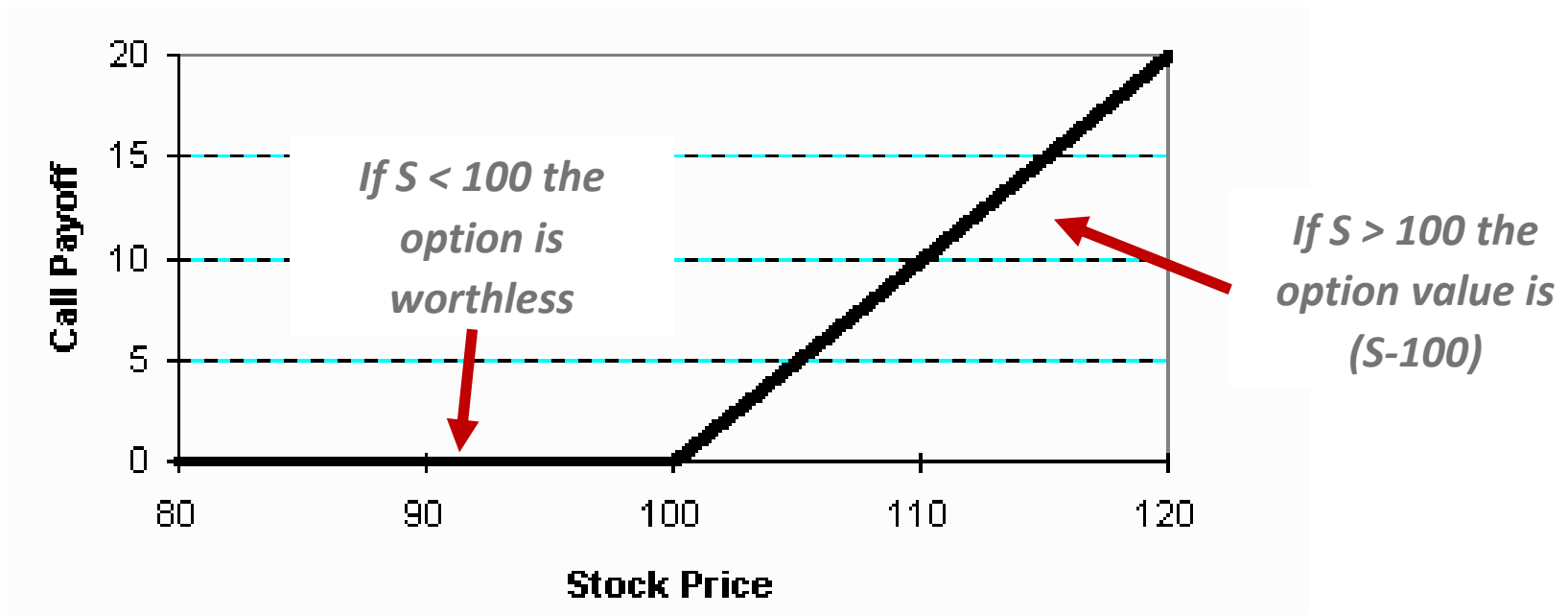
# What are Derivatives ?

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- 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

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# **FINANCEPY DESIGN**

# FinancePy Design

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

- **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

- FinBond
- FinBondAnnuity
- FinBondConvertible
- FinBondEmbeddedOption
- FinBondFRN
- FinBondFuture
- FinBondMortgage
- FinBondOption

## Credit

- FinCDS
- FinCDSBasket
- FinCDSCurve
- FinCDSIndexOption
- FinCDSIndexPortfolio
- FinCDSOption
- FinCDSTranche

## Funding

- FinFixedLeg
- FinFloatLeg
- FinIborBasisSwap
- FinIborCallableSwap
- FinIborDeposit
- FinIborFuture
- FinIborFRA
- FinIborSwap
- FinIborCapFloor
- FinIborSwaption
- FinIborSingleCurve
- FinIborDualCurve
- FinIborOIS
- FinOIS
- FinOISCurve
- FinIborBermudanSwaption

## Equity

- FinEquityAmericanOption
- FinEquityAsianOption
- FinEquityBarrierOption
- FinEquityBasketOption
- FinEquityChooserOption
- FinEquityCliquetOption
- FinEquityCompoundOption
- FinEquityDigitalOption
- FinEquityFixedLookbackOption
- FinEquityFloatLookbackOption
- FinEquityRainbowOption
- FinEquityOneTouchOption
- FinEquityVanillaOption
- FinEquityVarianceSwap

## FX

- FinFXForward
- FinFXVanillaOption
- FinFXBarrierOption
- FinFXBasketOption
- FinFXRainbowOption
- FinFXDigitalOption
- FinFXFixedLookbackOption
- FinFXFloatLookbackOption
- FinFXVarianceSwap

## Inflation

- FinInflationBond
- FinInflationSwap

## Commodities

- FinSwingContract (TBC)

# Market

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- 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

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- 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

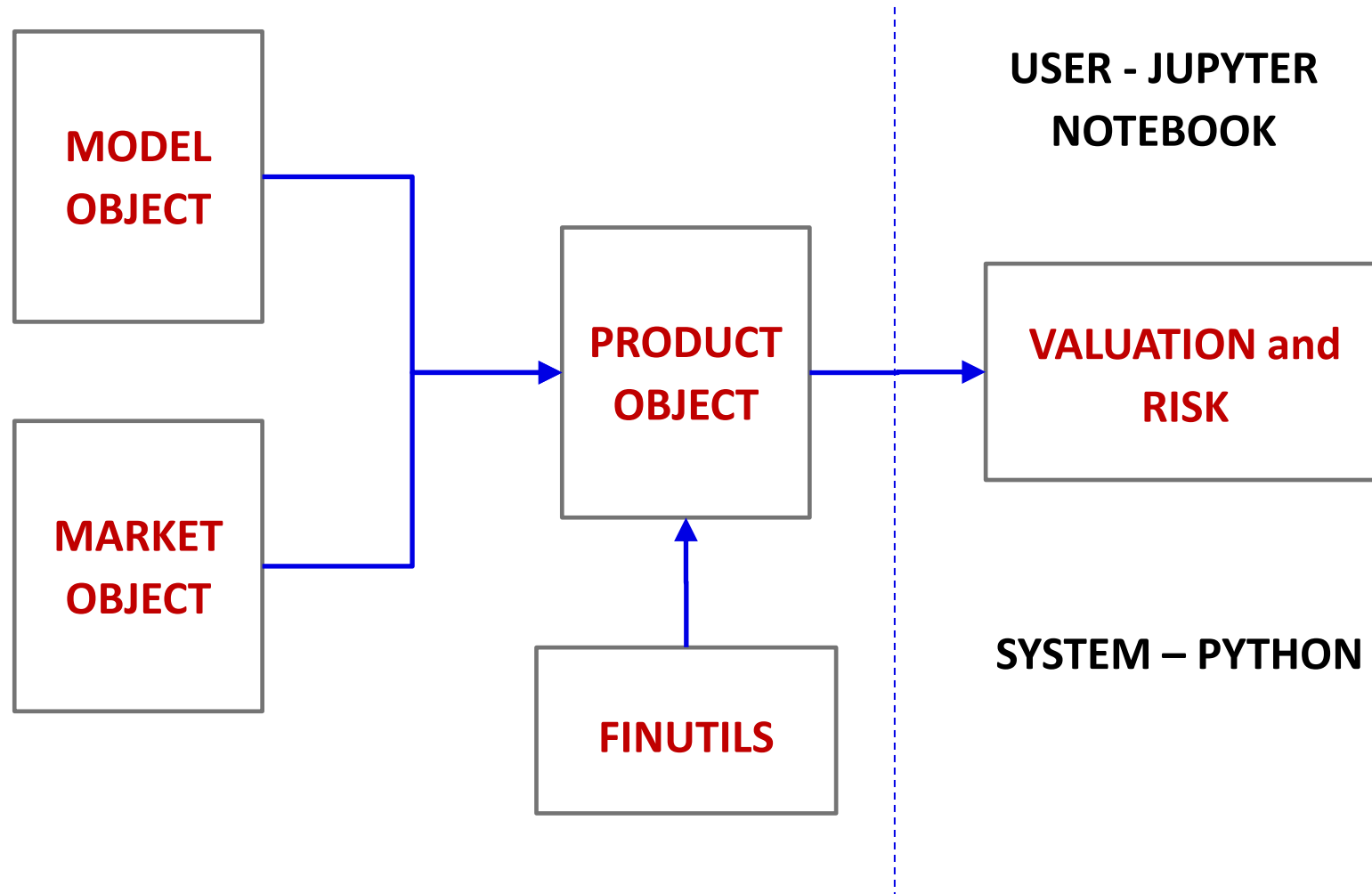
- FinModelBachelier
- FinModelRatesVasicek

## Stochastic Vol

- FinModelHeston
- FinModelSABR

# Design

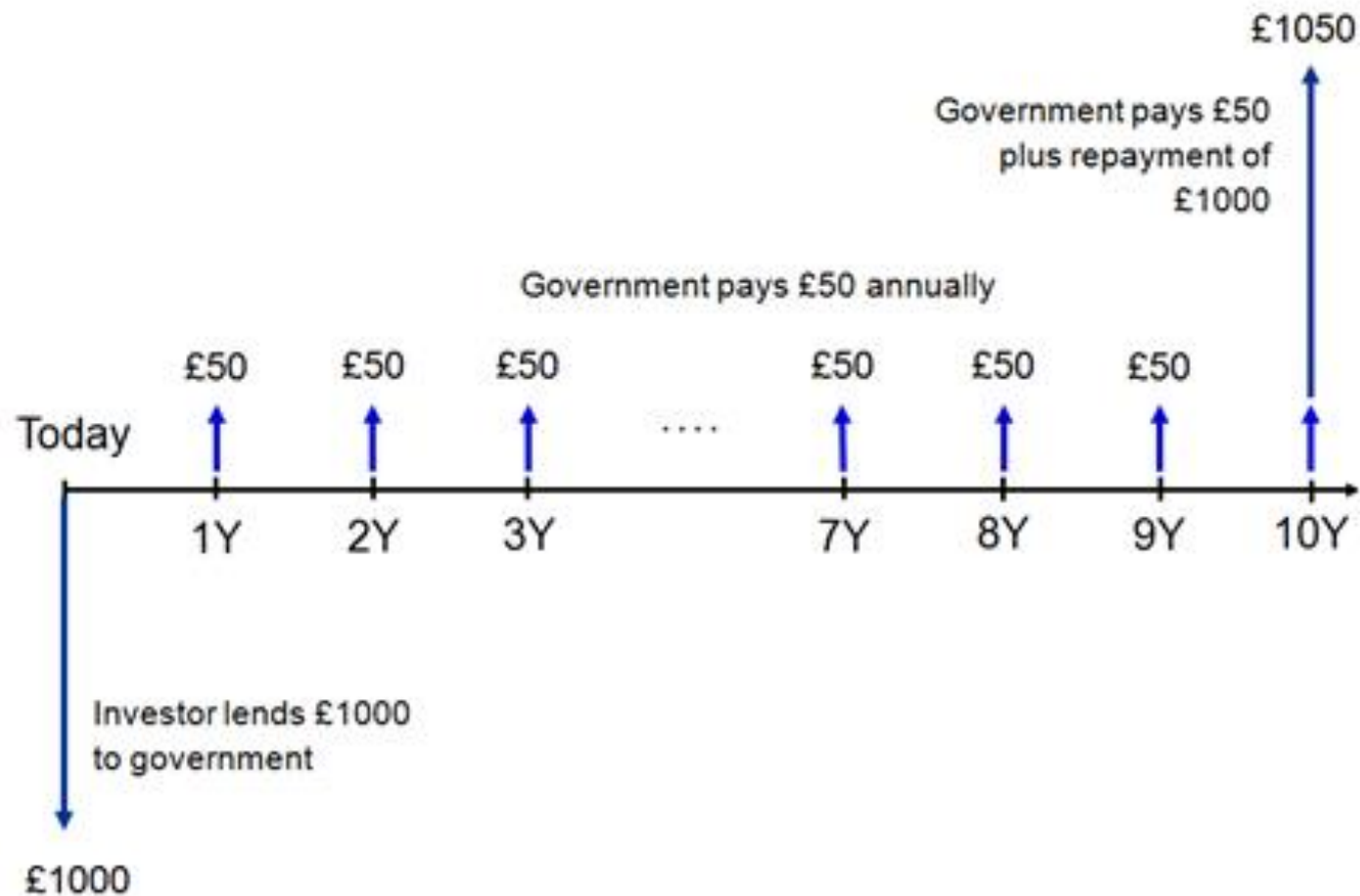
- Most users will only ever access functionality via a product object
- Library can be called from Jupyter or from Python code



# **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”

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
from financepy.finutils import *
from financepy.products.bonds.FinBond import *
```

```
#####
# FINANCEPY BETA Version 0.186 - This build:  01 Dec 2020 at 13:21 #
#       This software is distributed FREE & WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY   #
# For info and disclaimer - https://github.com/domokane/FinancePy #
#       Send any bug reports or comments to quant@financepy.com     #
#####
```

- 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

```
issueDate = FinDate(15, 5, 2020)
```

```
maturityDate = FinDate(15, 5, 2030)
```

```
coupon = 0.050 # This means 5%
```



```
freqType = FinFrequencyTypes.ANNUAL
```

```
accrualType = FinDayCountTypes.ACT_ACT_ICMA
```

```
faceAmount = ONE_MILLION
```

```
bond = FinBond(issueDate, maturityDate, coupon, freqType, accrualType, faceAmount)
```

*Use enums for  
categorical  
values*



*We create the  
FinBond object*



# Examining a Product: A Bond

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- Every object is printable

*Object type*

```
print(bond)
```

```
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
```

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- 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.

```
fullPriceFromYTM(settlementDate: FinDate,  
                 ytm: float,  
                 convention: FinYTMCalcType = FinYTMCalcType.UK_DMO):
```

The function arguments are described in the following table.

# 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

```
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. '''

    def __init__(self,
                  issueDate: FinDate,
                  maturityDate: FinDate,
                  coupon: float, # Annualised bond coupon
                  freqType: FinFrequencyTypes,
                  accrualType: FinDayCountTypes,
                  faceAmount: float = 100.0):
        ''' 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. '''

        checkArgumentTypes(self.__init__, locals()) ← TYPE CHECKING
```

# Transparency - Internal Calculations

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

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

```
bond.printFlows(settlementDate)
```

15-MAY-2021	50000.00
15-MAY-2022	50000.00
15-MAY-2023	50000.00
15-MAY-2024	50000.00
15-MAY-2025	50000.00
15-MAY-2026	50000.00
15-MAY-2027	50000.00
15-MAY-2028	50000.00
15-MAY-2029	50000.00
15-MAY-2030	1050000.00

*5% paid on \$1m  
means \$50k per  
payment*

*At maturity you get  
\$50k plus \$1m*

# 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

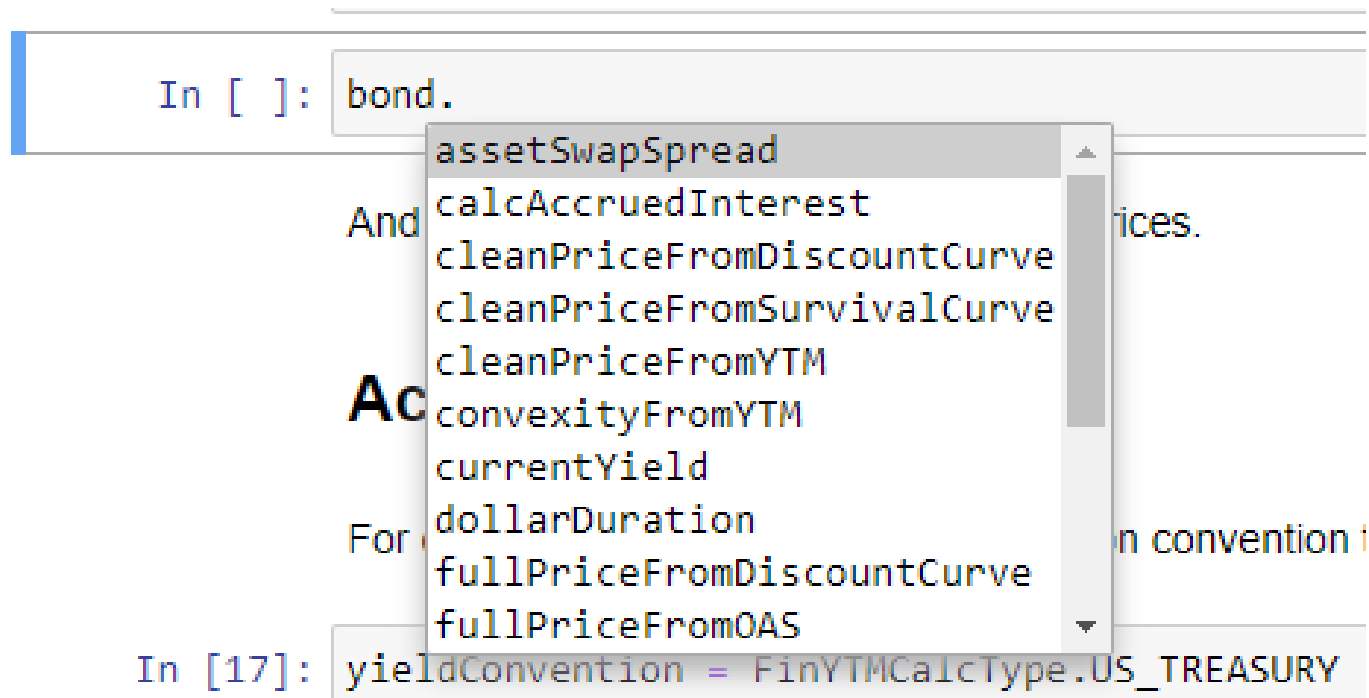
```
for ytmCalcType in FinYTMCalcType:  
    y = bond.yieldToMaturity(settlementDate, cleanPrice, ytmCalcType)  
    print("%30s %12.7f" % (ytmCalcType, y*100))
```

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



The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface. In the top cell, the text 'In [ ]: bond.' is entered. A dropdown menu is open, displaying a list of bond-related functions: 'assetSwapSpread', 'calcAccruedInterest', 'cleanPriceFromDiscountCurve', 'cleanPriceFromSurvivalCurve', 'cleanPriceFromYTM', 'convexityFromYTM', 'currentYield', 'dollarDuration', 'fullPriceFromDiscountCurve', and 'fullPriceFromOAS'. Below this, in a second cell, the text 'In [17]: yieldConvention = FinYTMCalcType.US\_TREASURY' is visible.

```
In [ ]: bond.  
assetSwapSpread  
calcAccruedInterest  
cleanPriceFromDiscountCurve  
cleanPriceFromSurvivalCurve  
cleanPriceFromYTM  
convexityFromYTM  
currentYield  
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fullPriceFromDiscountCurve  
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In [17]: yieldConvention = FinYTMCalcType.US_TREASURY
```

- Good way for the user to see the available functionality

# **Case Study: Valuing an Option**

# What is an Equity Vanilla Option ?

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- 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  
EXPIRY DATE: 01-JUN-2021  
STRIKE PRICE: 100.0  
OPTION TYPE: FinOptionTypes.EUROPEAN_CALL  
NUMBER: 1.0
```



*Enum for  
option type*

- The “number” of underlying shares is a default argument
- If we don’t supply it, it equals 1.0

# How do we value it ?

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- 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

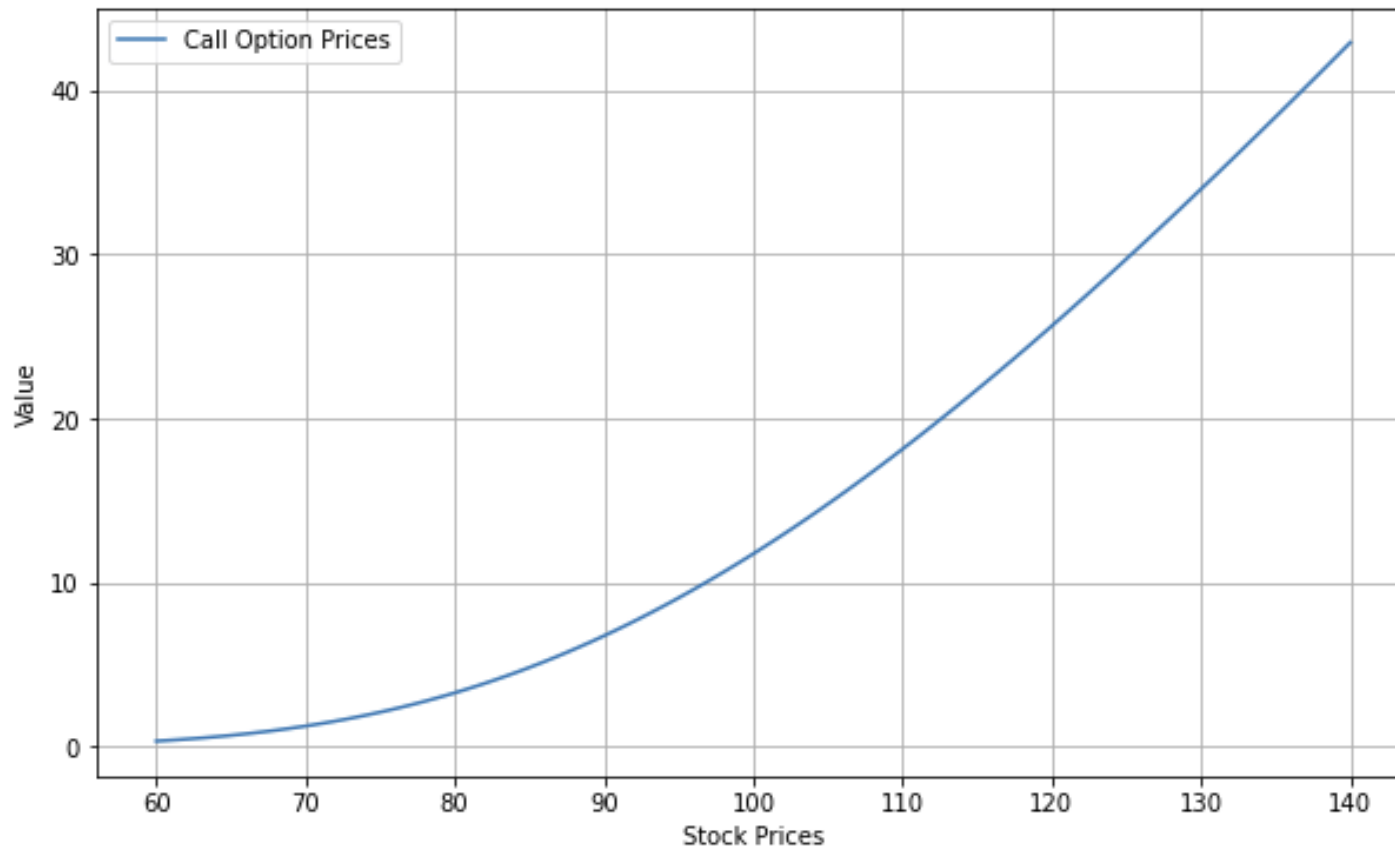
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- There are lots of inputs to an option valuation
- If we want to see how the option value depends on the current stock price, normally we would need to write a valuation loop
- FinancePy avoids this pain by doing vectorization
- Some of this is automatic 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

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- 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

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- 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):
```

```
    vsqrtt = v * sqrt(t)
    ss = s0 * exp((r - q - v*v / 2.0) * t)
```

```
    np.random.seed(seed)
    g = np.random.standard_normal(numPaths)
```

*Generate  
random  
numbers*

```
    payoff = 0.0
    for i in range(0, numPaths):
        s = ss * exp(+g[i] * vsqrtt)
        payoff += max(s - K, 0.0)
```

*Loop over paths*

```
    v = payoff * np.exp(-r * t) / numPaths
    return v
```

*Average payoff  
and discount it*

# Using Numpy

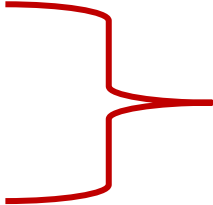
- We can vectorise several stages of the algorithm

```
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)
```

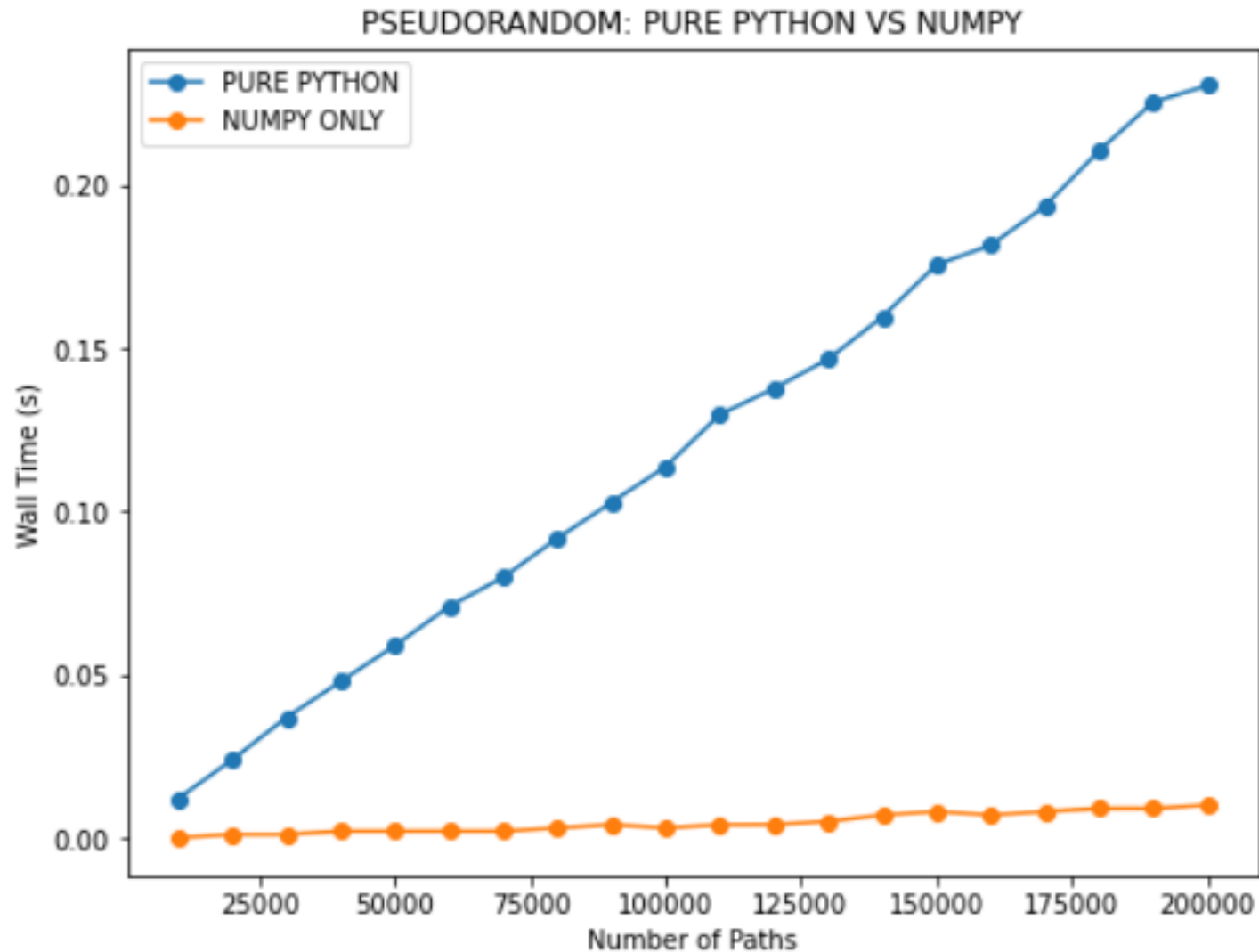
```
    v = averagePayoff * np.exp(-r * t)
    return v
```



*Generation of vector of  
stock prices, payoffs and  
averaging all done using  
vectorisation*

# 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):
```

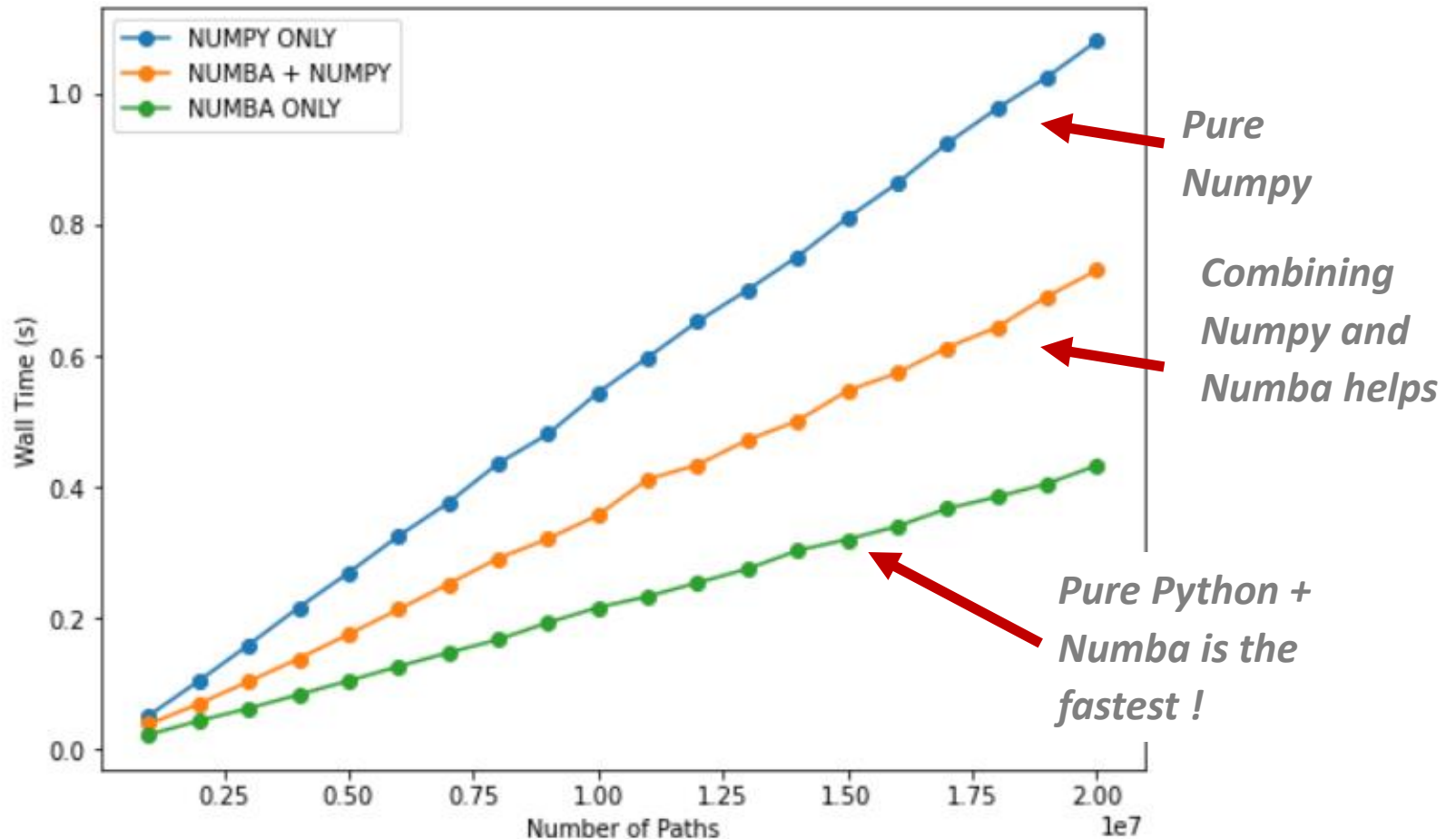
```
    vsqrtt = v * sqrt(t)  
    ss = s0 * exp((r - q - v*v / 2.0) * t)  
  
    np.random.seed(seed)  
    g = np.random.standard_normal(numPaths)  
  
    payoff = 0.0  
    for i in range(0, numPaths):  
        s = ss * exp(+g[i] * vsqrtt)  
        payoff += max(s - K, 0.0)  
  
    v = payoff * np.exp(-r * t) / numPaths  
    return v
```



*Decorator that  
shows function  
signature, caches  
the compiled  
code and uses  
lower precision  
for faster math*

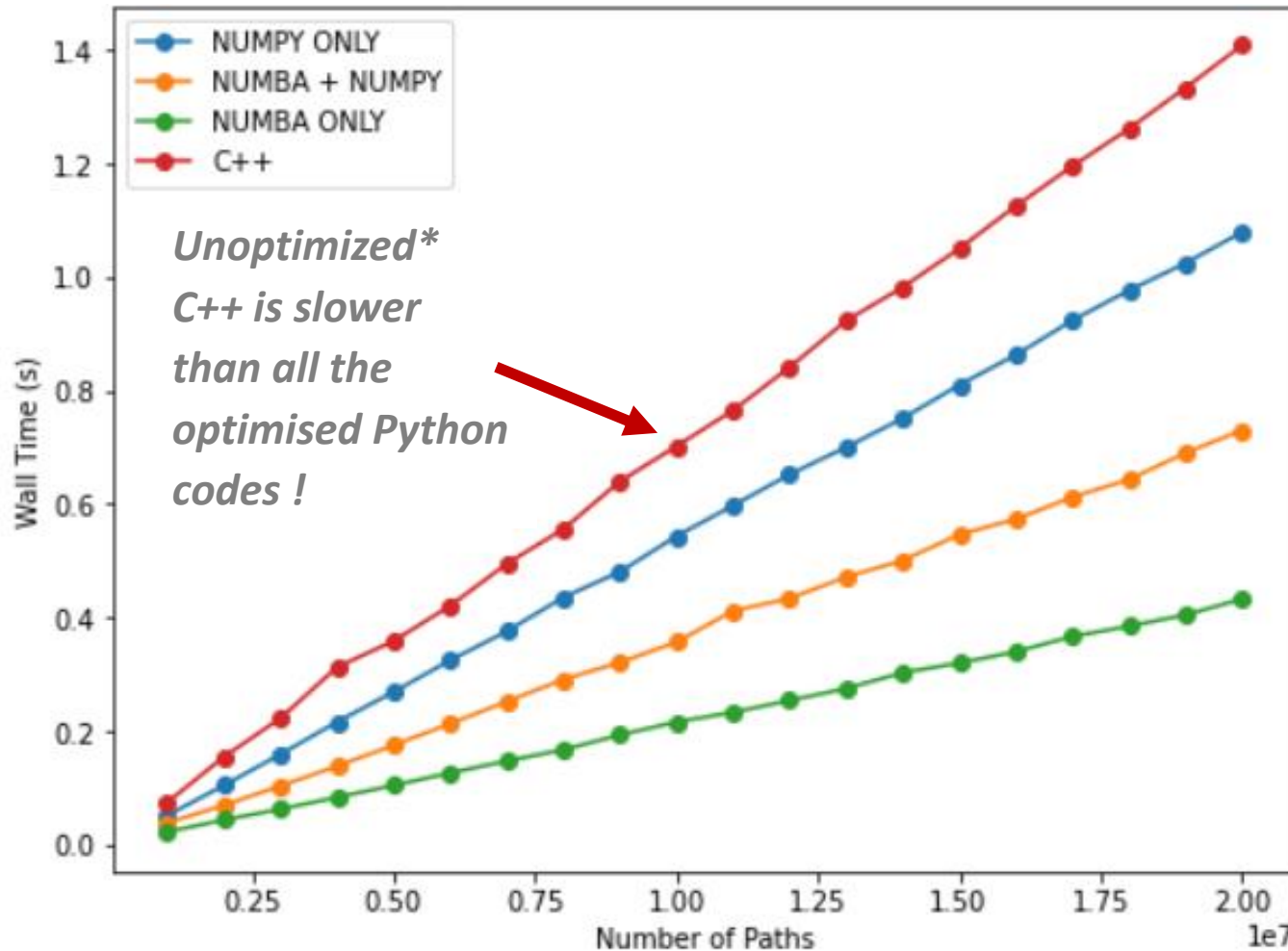
- I **also** added a Numba decorator to the Numpy function.

# Comparison of Timings



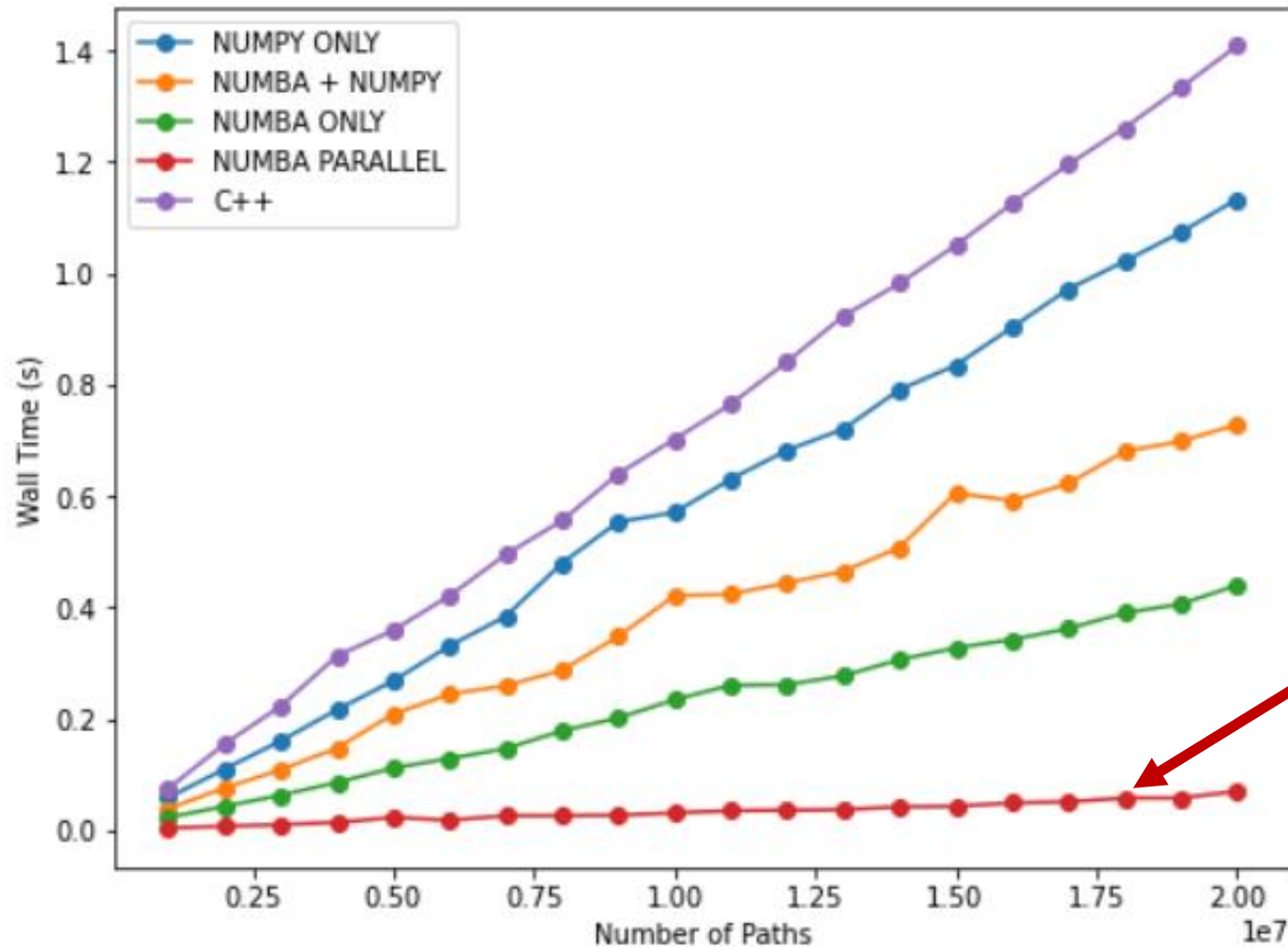
- Number of paths goes from 1 million to 20 million
- Numba ONLY = Python + Numba is the fastest of the three
- Note that all 3 gives identical results – same random sequence

# 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



*Parallel is  
6-7x faster !*

- 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

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- 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

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- 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

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- 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

# QUANTLIB and OTHERS

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- 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
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendors – expensive and black boxes

# Conclusions

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- 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 ...

# Contributors

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- Contact me if you wish to contribute at [quant@financepy.com](mailto: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!