Assignment on Calibration & Hedging

Calibration of local volatility

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1 Main result

Dupire (1994) proposed a model to evaluate the local volatility:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} + rK \frac{\partial V}{\partial K} - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{local}^2(K, T) K^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial K^2} = 0 \tag{1}$$

In this report, we focus on the parametric calibration method, in which volatility is assumed to follow the function of strike price (K) and maturity (T):

$$\sigma_{local}(K,T) = \frac{\beta_1}{K^{\beta_2}}$$

Then, the idea is to compare the market price with the price obtained by equation (1) and solve the minimisation problem to "best" estimate β_1 and β_2 .

Use Crank-Nikolson method, we discretise T to N and K to I divisions; thereby we have (N+1) and (I+1) points equi-distanced for T and K respectively and find the following equations:

$$\frac{V_i^{n+1} - V_i^n}{\Delta T} + rK_i \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{V_{i+1}^n - V_{i-1}^n}{2\Delta K} + \frac{V_{i+1}^{n+1} - V_{i-1}^{n+1}}{2\Delta K} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{local}^2(K_i, T_n) K_i^2 \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{V_{i+1}^n - V_{i-1}^n}{2\Delta K} + \frac{V_{i+1}^{n+1} - V_{i-1}^{n+1}}{2\Delta K} \right) = 0$$
(2)

We impose the boundary conditions on equation (2).

$$\begin{cases} V(K, T = 0) = V_i^0 = max(S_0 - K_i, 0) \\ V(K \to +\infty, T) = V_{I+1}^n = 0 \\ V(K \to 0, T) = V_0^n = S_0 \end{cases}$$

Equation (2) results in I equations for each node n

$$A_i V_{n+1}^{i+1} + B_i V_{n+1}^i + D_i V_{n+1}^{i-1} = C_n^i$$
(3)

where

$$\begin{cases} A_i = \frac{\Delta T}{4} \left(r \frac{K_i}{\Delta K} - \sigma_i^2 \frac{K_i^2}{\Delta K^2} \right) \\ B_i = -\frac{\Delta T}{4} \left(r \frac{K_i}{\Delta K} + \sigma_i^2 \frac{K_i^2}{\Delta K^2} \right) \\ D_i = 1 + \frac{\Delta T}{2} \sigma_i^2 \frac{K_i^2}{\Delta K^2} \\ C_i = V_i^n - \frac{\Delta T}{4} \left(r K_i (V_n^{i+1} - V_n^{i-1}) - \sigma_i^2 \frac{K_i^2}{\Delta K^2} (V_n^{i+1} - V_n^{i-1}) \right) \end{cases}$$

By solving the system of equation (3), we will find the price for all strike and maturity. Call price is now dependent on β , we can solve the minimization problem by Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm

$$\begin{cases} J(1,i) = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial \beta_1} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \sigma_i} \frac{\partial \sigma_i}{\partial \beta_1} = Vega_i \frac{1}{K^{\beta_2}} \\ J(2,i) = \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial \beta_2} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \sigma_i} \frac{\partial \sigma_i}{\partial \beta_2} = Vega_i \frac{\beta_1 \ln K_i}{K^{\beta_2}} \end{cases}$$

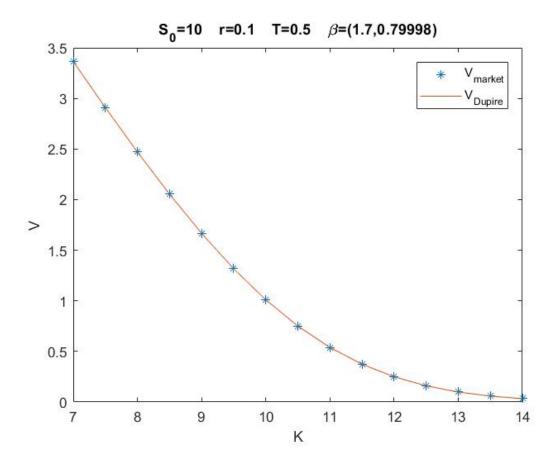
where Vega is calculated as

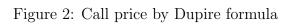
$$Vega = \frac{V(K, T, \sigma) - V(\sigma - \Delta h)}{\Delta h}, \quad \Delta h = 0.01$$

Table 1: Call price for different K at T=0.5

K_i	7	7.5	8	8.5	9	9.5	10
V_{market}^{i}	3.3634	2.9092	2.4703	2.0536	1.6666	1.3167	1.0100
10.5	11	11.5	12	12.5	13	13.5	14
0.7504	0.5389	0.3733	0.2491	0.1599	0.0986	0.0584	0.0332

Figure 1: Calibration of local volatility - Dupire formula





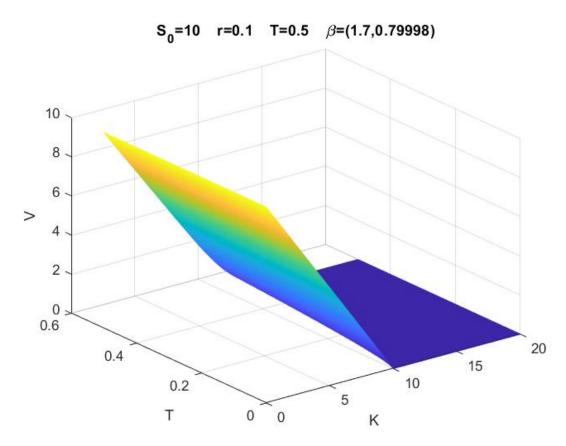


Figure 3: Vega

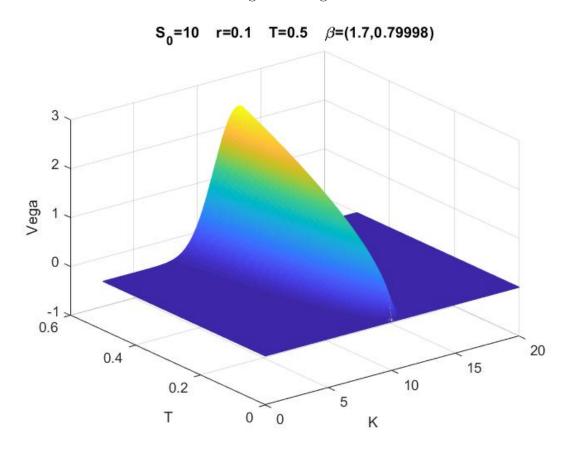


Figure 4: Volatility as a function of K and T

