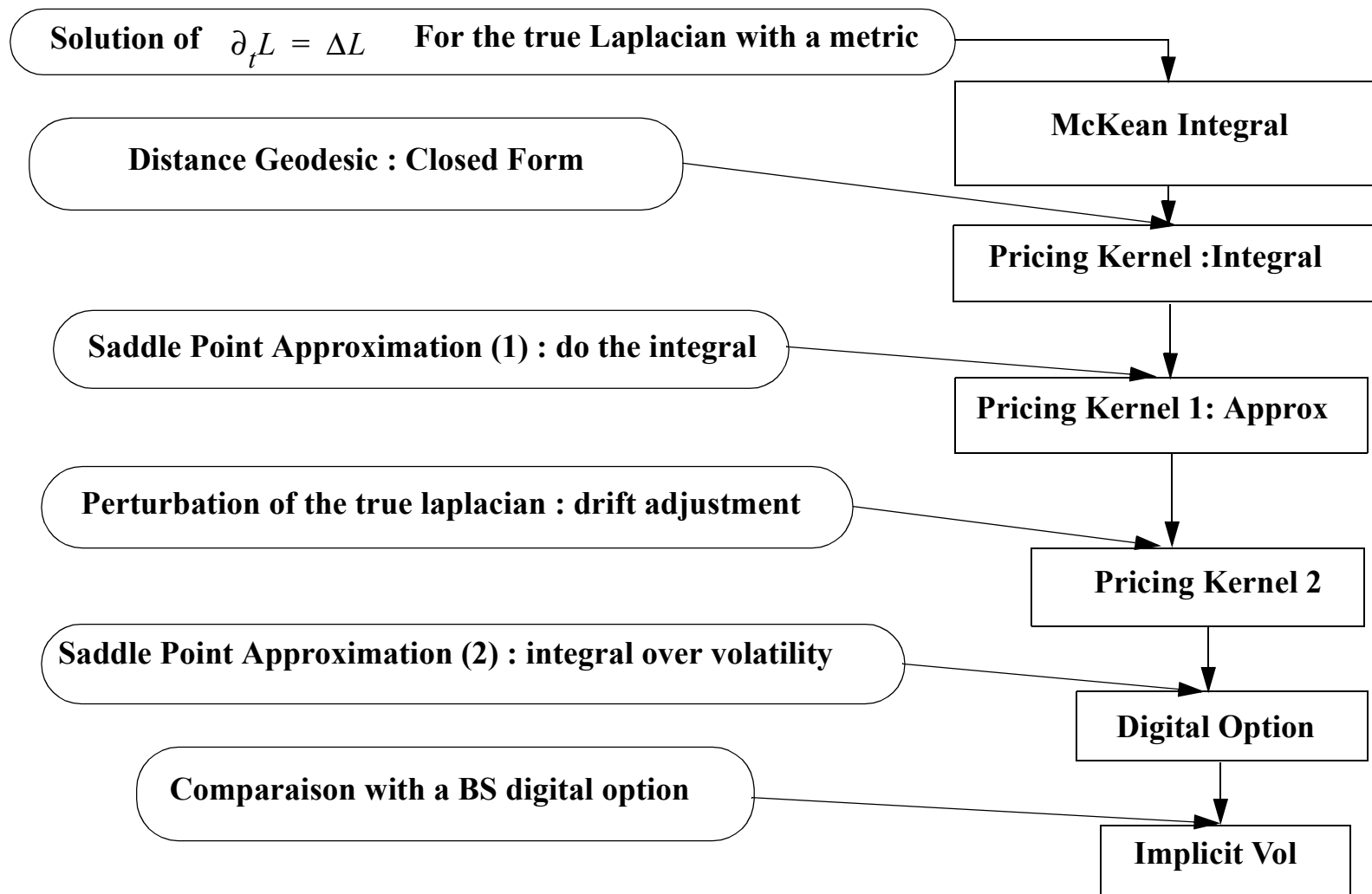


Stochastic Volatility

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Strategy of the Resolution



We want to solve:

- $$dF_t = \sigma_t b(F_t) dW_t$$
$$d\sigma_t = \nu \sigma_t dZ_t$$
$$E[dW_t dZ_t] = \rho dt$$

- we do the change of variables :

- $$s = (T - t)/T$$
$$y = \sigma/\nu$$

- The green problem we want to solve is therefore:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} K(s, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} y^2 \left(b(x)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 2\rho b(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) K(s, x, y)$$
$$K(0, x, y) = \delta(x - x_0) \delta(y - y_0)$$

Distance (without knowing it)

- Black and Sholes world with a deterministic volatility $\sigma(t)$:

- in the moneyness & maturity coordinates

$$x_\tau = \text{Log}\left[\frac{S_{T-t}}{k}\right] \quad \tau = T - t$$

- $dX_t = \sigma(t)dW_t$ is associated with a kernel

$$\partial_\tau G(x_0, x, \tau) = \sigma(t)^2 \partial_{x,x} G(x_0, x, \tau)$$

- any security (here a call) can be repriced by

$$\text{Call} = \int (e^x - 1) G(x_0, t_0, x, \tau) dx$$

- it is well known that

$$G(x_0, x, \tau) = \frac{e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{2\Sigma_\tau^2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi\Sigma_\tau^2}} \quad \Sigma_\tau = \int_0^\tau \sigma(s)^2 ds$$

Distance (we almost see it)

- We can do it differently
 - we change of state variable :

$$y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{\int_0^\tau \sigma(s)^2 ds}}$$

- the new equation reads now

$$\partial_\tau G(y, \tau) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau)$$

- it is a standard diffusion

Distance (local vol)

- Local Volatility context

$$\partial_{\tau} G(x_0, x, \tau) = \sigma(x)^2 \partial_{x,x} G(x_0, x, \tau)$$

- we change of state variable :

$$y = \int_0^x \frac{dz}{\sigma(z)} \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sigma(x)}$$

- the new equation reads now $G_2(y, \tau) = G_1(x(y), \tau)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} G_1(x, \tau) = \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} G_1(x, \tau) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau) + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau)$$

$$\partial_{\tau} G_2(y, \tau) = \sigma'(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau)$$

- by Feynman Kac it is a standard diffusion with a drift

- For very short times the behaviour is given by $\partial_{\tau} G_2(y, \tau) \approx \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_2(y, \tau)$

A Large Deviation Result(Varadhan)

- Standard diffusion

$$Prob[x < x_\tau < x + dx] \equiv p(x_0, x, \tau) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{-\frac{|x-x_0|^2}{2\tau}}$$

- So $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \{2t \cdot \text{Log}[p(x_0, x, \tau)]\} = -|x-x_0|^2$

- This is of course still true for multidimensional state

- Standard diffusion with a drift : $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \{2t \cdot \text{Log}[p(x_0, x, \tau)]\} = -|x-x_0|^2$ (Varadhan 1967)

- by normalisation we get

$$p(x_0, x, \tau) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{-\frac{|x-x_0|^2}{2\tau}} (1 + O(\tau))$$

Synthesis

- For Determinist Volatility $\partial_\tau G(x_0, x, \tau) = \sigma(t)^2 \partial_{x, x}^2 G(x_0, x, \tau)$

$$-d(x, x_0) = \frac{|x - x_0|}{\sqrt{\int_0^\tau \sigma(s)^2 ds}} \quad p(x_0, x, \tau) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{\frac{-d(x, x_0)^2}{2\tau}}$$

- For Local Volatility $\partial_\tau G(x_0, x, \tau) = \sigma(x)^2 \partial_{x, x}^2 G(x_0, x, \tau)$

$$-d(x, x_0) = \left| \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dz}{\sigma(z)} \right| \quad p(x_0, x, \tau) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{\frac{-d(x, x_0)^2}{2\tau}} (1 + O(\tau))$$

- For Stochastic Volatility $\partial_\tau G(x_0, x, \tau) = \sum_{u, v} H_{\mu, v} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_\mu \partial x_v} G(x_0, x, \tau)$

$$-d(x, x_0) = \text{GeodesicDistance}(x_0, x) \quad p(x_0, x, \tau) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{\frac{-d(x, x_0)^2}{2\tau}} (1 + O(\tau))$$

The geodesic distance

- For a metric $ds^2 = \sum_{\mu, \nu} g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$ (Summation convention)

- Geodesic is a path $x^i(t)$ such $\int_0^t \sqrt{g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu(t) dx^\nu(t)}$ is locally extremal

- Geodesic given by the solution of

$$\frac{d^2 x^i(t)}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{dx^j(t)}{dt} \frac{dx^k(t)}{dt} \quad \Gamma_{jk}^i = g^{il} (g_{jl,k} + g_{kl,j} - g_{jk,l})$$

- So for every (x,y) close enough, there is only one geodesic that goes from x to

y. the distance is : $d(x, y) = \int_0^t \sqrt{g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu(t) dx^\nu(t)}$ where $x(t)$ is a geodesic that goes from x to y.

- Exemple : for a poincare plan , $ds^2 = y^2(dx^2 + dy^2)$ we find that

$$d(x_0, y_0, x, y) = \text{ArcCosh} \left(1 + \frac{(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2}{2yy_0} \right)$$

Tensors and Conventions

Function

Vector

Vector Basis

$$V = v^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu}$$

Form

$$\omega = \omega_\mu dx^\mu$$

Duality

$$\langle dx^\mu, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\nu} \rangle = \delta^\mu_\nu$$

Metric Tensor

$$g = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu \otimes dx^\nu$$

Duality biform-bivecteur

$$g_{\mu\nu} g^{\nu\rho} = \delta^\rho_\mu$$

Transform a vector into a form

$$g_{\mu\nu} v^\mu = a_\nu$$

Matrix and Vectors

$$M^\alpha_\beta A^\beta = B^\alpha$$

Derivation

$$A_{,\mu} \equiv \frac{\partial A}{\partial x^\mu}$$

A technique to extend our vocabulary of geodesics

- Pull-back : $\varphi : E \rightarrow F$ (diffeomorphism) such that the metric of E , $g_{\mu\nu}^E$ is isometrically diffeomorphic to $g_{\mu\nu}^F$ the metric of F
 - If $d(x, y)$ is a geodesic distance for F, then $d(\varphi(x'), \varphi(y'))$ is the geodesic distance for E

- Exemple : for the poincare plan : if $b(x)$ is any positive function , $-1 < \rho < 1$, and φ defined by : $\varphi(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \left(\int_0^x \frac{du}{b(u)} - \rho y \right), y \right)$

- then the metric is defined by the pull-back : $g^E(\vec{X}, \vec{Y}) = g^E(J_\varphi(\vec{X}), J_\varphi(\vec{Y}))$ where

$J_\varphi(x, y) = \left(\frac{\frac{x}{b(x)} - \rho y}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}}, y \right)$ is the jacobian matrix. the Metric on E is

then:
$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}^2} \left(\frac{dx^2 - 2\rho dx dy}{y^2 b(x)^2} + \frac{dy^2}{y^2} \right)$$

- the distance on E is then : $d(x_0, y_0, x, y) = \text{ArcCosh} \left(1 + \left(\left(\frac{1}{1-\rho^2} \left(\int_{x_0}^x \frac{du}{b(u)} - \rho(y-y_0) \right) \right)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 \right)^{1/2} / (2yy_0) \right)$

Generalization of Laplacian

- A differentiable manifold equipped with a metric
 - There is locally a system of coordinates where the metric is the euclidian metric. This is the normal coordinate (geodesic based) .
 - There is a standard laplacian expressed in the normal coordinates .
 - How to compute it in the current coordinates ?
- We need an intrinsic definition of the laplacian (invariant by a change of coordinate)

- In an euclidian space $(\Delta(f), h) = \int_M \Delta(f) \cdot h dv = \sum_i \int_M \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} \cdot h dv = - \sum_i \int_M \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_i} dv = -(\nabla(f), \nabla(h))$

for f and h that are 0 at infinity

- In a space with a metric g

$$-(\nabla(f), \nabla(h)) = - \int_M \nabla(f) \cdot \nabla(h) \sqrt{g} dv = - \int_M g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\mu} \right) \left(\frac{\partial h}{\partial x^\nu} \right) \sqrt{g} dv = \int_M \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\nu} \left(g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\mu} \right) \sqrt{g} \right) h \sqrt{g} dv$$

- So the invariant definition is : $\Delta(f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\nu} \left(g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\mu} \right) \sqrt{g} \right)$

Delta function business

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Small Breviaire of delta fonctions

$$\delta(ax) \equiv \frac{\delta(x)}{a}$$

$$\text{If it exists } x_0 \text{ such } \begin{cases} f(x_0) = 0 \\ f'(x_0) \neq 0 \end{cases} \text{ then } \delta(f(x)) \equiv \frac{\delta(x - x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$$

$$\text{If it exists } x_0 \text{ such } \begin{cases} f(x_0) = 0 \\ f'(x_0) = 0 \\ f''(x_0) \neq 0 \end{cases} \text{ then } \delta(f(x)) \equiv \frac{\delta(x - x_0)}{2|f''(x_0)|}$$

$$\text{For multidim delta } \delta(f(x)) \equiv \frac{\delta(x - x_0)}{\det(\nabla f)|_{x_0}}$$

Invariance of the Initial condition

- $\delta(x)$ is not an invariant, because:
- but $\delta(f(\text{GeodesicDistance}(x((t), y(t))))))$ is of course an invariant
- so for the poincaré plan, $\delta(\text{Cosh}(d(x)) - 1)$ is an invariant.

$$\delta(\text{Cosh}(d(x)) - 1) = \delta\left(\frac{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2}{2yy_0}\right) = \delta\left(\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{2yy_0}\right) = y_0^2 \delta(x-x_0)$$

- So we solve
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K(\tau, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta K(\tau, x, y) \\ K(0, x, y) = \delta(x) \delta(y) \end{cases}$$

- the solution of
$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} G(\tau, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta G(\tau, x, y) \\ G(0, x, y) = y_0^2 \delta(x) \end{cases}$$
 is obtained by:

$$- \quad G(\tau, x, y) = y_0^2 K(\tau, x, y)$$

A Result from McKean (1970)

- In the Poincare Plan ($ds^2 = y^2(dx^2 + dy^2)$), the invariant laplacian (laplace Beltrami operator) is :

$$\Delta = y^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

- The Solution of the Green Problem : $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K(\tau, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta K(\tau, x, y) \\ K(0, x, y) = \delta(x) \delta(y) \end{cases}$ is :

$$K(\tau, x, y) = \frac{e^{-\tau/8} \sqrt{2}}{(2\pi\tau)^{3/2} y^2} \int_{d(0, 0, x, y)}^{\infty} \frac{u e^{-u^2/(2\tau)}}{\sqrt{\cosh(u) - \cosh(d(0, 0, x, y))}} du$$

- it is a closed form !
- it depends of the coordinates through the distance function.

Pull Back

- When we change of coordinate, K is a Kernel, therefore we adjust it with a jacobian:
- through the pull-back $K^E(\tau, x, y) = \det(J_\varphi)_{x_0, y_0} (K^F(\tau, \varphi(x, y))$ because of the way delta function of the initial condition transforms through the pull back
- $$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K(\tau, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta K(\tau, x, y) \\ K(0, x, y) = \delta(x - x_0) \delta(y - y_0) \end{cases} \quad \text{transforms into}$$
- $$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K_\varphi(\tau, x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta K_\varphi(\tau, x, y) \\ K_\varphi(0, x, y) = \det(\nabla \varphi)_{x_0, y_0} \delta(x - x_0) \delta(y - y_0) \end{cases}$$
- because Δ is the invariant beltrami operator and

$$\int g(\varphi_x(x, y), \varphi_y(x, y)) \delta(\varphi_x(x, y)) \delta(\varphi_y(x, y)) dx dy = \int g(x, y) \delta(x) \delta(y) \frac{dx dy}{\det(\nabla \varphi)_{0,0}}$$

We Solved the wrong problem !

- The diffusion that we want to solve: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K(\tau, x, y) = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu K((\tau, x, y))$
- The diffusion that we know how to solve: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} K(\tau, x, y) = \Delta K((\tau, x, y))$
- In the case of $g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu K((\tau, x, y)) = \frac{1}{2} y^2 \left(b(x)^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 2\rho b(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right)$ we have

$$g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu - \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \right) \sqrt{g} \right) = -\frac{y^2}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} b(x) b'(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

- But we have the same leading derivatives. the difference is just a drift term

Perturbation Techniques (1)

- To Solve the small misfit

- We want to compute the solution of $\frac{dU}{ds} = LU$ $U(0) = 1$ formally it is $U(s) = e^{sL}$

- $L = L_0 + H$

- At the second order we have

$$U(s) = \left\{ I + sH + \frac{s^2}{2}(L_0H - HL_0 + H^2) + O(s^3) \right\} e^{sL_0}$$

Perturbation Techniques (2)

- Computation of integrals: saddle point approximation

- We want to compute $I = \int_0^\infty f(u) e^{-\frac{\varphi(u)}{\varepsilon}} du$ when ε small

- we have :

$$I \approx \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\varepsilon}{\varphi''(u_0)}} e^{-\frac{\varphi(u_0)}{\varepsilon}} \left\{ f(u_0) + \varepsilon \left[\frac{f'(u_0)}{2\varphi''(u_0)} - \frac{f(u_0)\varphi^{(4)}(u_0) + 4(f'(u_0)\varphi^{(3)}(u_0))}{8\varphi''(u_0)^2} + \frac{5f'(u_0)(\varphi^{(3)}(u_0))^2}{24\varphi''(u_0)^3} \right] \right\}$$

Geodesics and Eikonal Equations(1)

- When $\tau \rightarrow 0$ The pricing kernel , according to Varadhan is

$$p(x_0, x, \tau) \rightarrow \int \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{\frac{-d(x, y, x_0, y_0)^2}{2\tau}} dy \quad d(x, y, x_0, y_0) = \text{GeodesicDistance}(x, y, x_0, y_0)$$

- When the underlying is assumed Lognormal $p(x_0, x, \tau) = (x_0, x, \tau) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \right) e^{\frac{-(x-x_0)^2}{2\sigma^2\tau}}$
- When $\tau \rightarrow 0$ by using the saddle point approximation, if we assume $y \rightarrow d(x, y, x_0, y_0)$ differentiable, then it exist a point where $d(x, y, x_0, y_0)$ is minimum and has null

derivative, so $\tau \text{Log}[p(x_0, x, \tau)] \approx \tau \text{Log} \left[e^{\frac{-\text{Min}\{d(x, y, x_0, y_0)\}^2}{2\tau}} \right]$. Therefore when $\tau \rightarrow 0$ the

implicit vol is equal to $\sigma \approx \frac{x - x_0}{\text{Min}\{d(x, y, x_0, y_0)\}_y}$

Geodesics and Eikonal Equations(2)

- $ds^2 = \sum_{\mu, \nu} g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$ defines a geodesic distance $d(x_0, x)$
- The variation of the geodesic distance is given by

$$g^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^\mu \partial x^\nu} d(x_0, x) = 1$$

Reading Advice

- Book on Riemannian Geometry: one of the most readable and comprehensive is:
 - Riemannian Geometry and geometric analysis by Jurgen Jost, Universitext, Springer third edition : cost around 30 euros

Project Schedule

- Short term
 - Check the Standard first order SABR formula
 - Get a second order SABR formula
 - Get a first and second order SABR with mean reverting Formula
- LongTerm
 - Term Structure with SABR Volatility, HW type or maybe BGM