

# A joint framework for stochastic correlation and tempered stable process

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# Overview

- ① Subject:
  - The NTS-OU framework capturing jumps, heavy tails, skewness and stochastic correlation
  - NTS-OU application to quanto option pricing and deriving its closed-form solution
- ② Improvement: addressed the empirical phenomena of quanto implied volatility smile and stochastic correlation.
- ③ Two key processes: Normal Tempered Stable (NTS) process and Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) process
- ④ Note:
  - NTS-OU can be applied to other examples.
  - Through the NTS-OU, we can infer that the stochastic correlation exists in the risk-neutral world.

# Outline

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# Motivation

What is the best alternative model to address  
Implied Volatility Smile and Stochastic Correlation phenomena?

## Motivation - *Quanto Option*

- A quanto option is a European option where the payoff at expiry is converted at a prespecified exchange rate to its corresponding currency.

$$F_{fix}(S(T) - K)^+$$

- Risk factors: two underlying dynamics, its dependence
- The Black-Scholes model fails to explain: (1) volatility smile and (2) stochastic correlation.

# Motivation - *Volatility Smile*

- After Black Monday in 1987, the volatility smile was recognized.
- The volatility smile is the smile pattern shown when implied volatility is plotted against strike prices.
- The empirical distribution of the underlying asset returns exhibits heavy tails, and skewness;

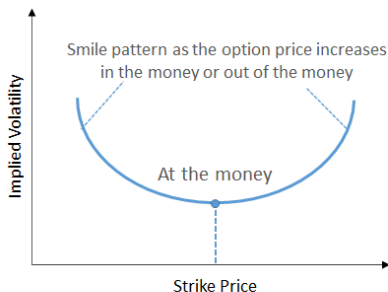
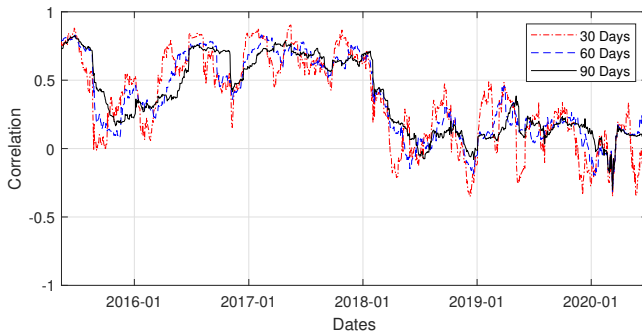


Figure 1: Volatility Smile

## Motivation - *Stochastic correlation*

- It is a well-documented fact that the stochastic correlation plays a key role in the pricing of multi-asset financial instruments.



**Figure 2:** Historical rolling correlation between the S&P 500 and the EUR-USD log-returns.  
(from January 2015 to June 2020)



# Motivation - *Stochastic correlation*

- Two main problems for a constant correlation
  - 1 Timeframe
  - 2 Correlation risk; the difference between implied correlation and realized correlation is non-zero.

## Preliminaries: Normal Tempered Stable Process

Let  $\alpha \in (0, 2)$ ,  $\theta, \sigma > 0$ , and  $\mu, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ . The NTS random variable  $X$  with parameters  $(\alpha, \theta, \beta, \sigma, \mu)$  is defined as

$$X = \mu - \beta + \beta\mathcal{T} + \sigma\sqrt{\mathcal{T}}W,$$

where  $W \sim N(0, 1)$ ,  $\mathcal{T}$  is a positive, non-decreasing random variable called *tempered stable subordinator* with its characteristic function  $\phi_{\mathcal{T}}$  being

$$\phi_{\mathcal{T}}(u) = \exp\left(-\frac{2\theta^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{\alpha}((\theta - iu)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} - \theta^{\frac{\alpha}{2}})\right). \quad (1)$$

$$\phi_{NTS}(u) = \exp\left((\mu - \beta)iu - \frac{2\theta^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{\alpha} \left(\left(\theta - i\beta u + \frac{\sigma^2 u^2}{2}\right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} - \theta^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right)\right). \quad (2)$$

## Preliminaries: NTS Process Continued

An  $N$ -dimensional process  $(X(t))_{t \geq 0}$  follows the multivariate NTS if

$$X(t) = \mu t + \beta(\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \text{diag}(\sigma) R^{\frac{1}{2}} W(\mathcal{T}(t)), \quad t \geq 0$$

where  $R = [\rho_{m,n}]_{\{m,n \in 1,2,\dots,N\}}$  is a dispersion matrix and  $R^{\frac{1}{2}}$  given by factorization  $R = R^{\frac{1}{2}}(R^{\frac{1}{2}})^T$  such as a Cholesky factorization.

# Preliminaries: Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process

We model the stochastic dependency with the OU process

Let  $\theta$  be the long-term mean,  $\kappa$  be the reverting speed of the process, and  $\sigma$  be the volatility of the stochastic process. A stochastic process  $X(t)$  follows the OU process if the dynamic is as below:

$$dX_{(t)} = -\kappa(X_{(t)} - \theta)dt + \sigma dW(t);$$

where  $W(t)$  is a standard Brownian motion. For our study, in particular, we assume the long-term mean  $\theta$  is zero and the correlation movement in  $\mathbb{Q}$ -measure is explained by the drift and the Brownian motion part.

## Preliminaries: Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process - Continued

Let's define  $(\mathcal{I}(\rho, t))_{t \geq 0}$  as  $\mathcal{I}(\rho, t) = \int_0^t \rho(s) ds$ . Now, our model of choice for the correlation  $(\rho(t))_{t \geq 0}$  over time is the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (OU) Process as follows:

$$d\rho(t) = -\kappa_{OU}\rho(t)dt + \sigma_{OU}dW(t).$$

The solution of the above OU process is

$$\rho(t) = \rho(0)e^{-\kappa_{OU}t} + \sigma_{OU} \int_0^t e^{-\kappa_{OU}(t-s)} dW(s). \quad (3)$$

## Preliminaries: Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process - Continued

$\mathcal{I}(\rho, t)$  follows the normal distribution with the mean

$$E \left( \int_0^t \rho(s) ds \right) = \rho(0) D(t),$$

and the variance

$$\text{var} \left( \int_0^t \rho(s) ds \right) = \frac{\sigma_{OU}^2}{\kappa_{OU}^2} \left( t - D(t) - \frac{\kappa_{OU}}{2} (D(t))^2 \right),$$

where

$$D(t) = \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa_{OU} t}}{\kappa_{OU}}.$$

## Preliminaries: Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process - Continued

Finally, the characteristic function of  $\mathcal{I}(\rho, t)$  is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{\mathcal{I}(\rho, t)}(u) &:= E \left[ \exp \left( iu \int_0^t \rho(s) ds \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left( iu E \left( \int_0^t \rho(s) ds \right) - \frac{u^2}{2} \text{var} \left( \int_0^t \rho(s) ds \right) \right) \\ &= \exp \left( iu \rho(0) D(t) - \frac{u^2 \sigma_{OU}^2}{2\kappa_{OU}^2} \left( t - D(t) - \frac{\kappa_{OU}}{2} (D(t))^2 \right) \right).\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

We later use this result when calculating the characteristic function of the underlying process  $S(t)$ .

## NTS with Stochastic Correlation: NTS-OU

We extend the NTS framework with the stochastic correlation. Let  $R$  be a time-dependent process,  $R = (R(t))_{t \geq 0}$ . Let process  $(\tau(t))_{t \geq 0}$  satisfy  $\mathcal{T}(t) = \int_0^t \tau(u) du$ , for all  $t \geq 0$ . Then the  $N$  dimensional process is said to follow NTS-OU process,

$$X(t) = \mu t + \beta \int_0^t (\tau(u) - 1) du + \text{diag}(\sigma) \int_0^t R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(u)) \sqrt{\tau(u)} dW(u) \quad (5)$$

and denoted by  $X \sim NTS_{OU}(\alpha, \theta, \mu, \beta, \sigma, R)$ . The expectation of this is given as  $E[X_n(t)] = \mu_n t$  and the covariance is

$$\text{cov}(X_m(t), X_n(t)) = \sigma_m \sigma_n E \left[ \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \rho_{m,n}(s) ds \right] + \beta_m \beta_n t \left( \frac{2 - \alpha}{2\theta} \right).$$



# Weighted Sum of NTS-OU Processes

## Proposition

Let  $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_N)^T \in \mathbb{R}^N$  and  $N$ -dimensional processes  $X \sim NTS_{OU}(\alpha, \theta, \mu, \beta, \sigma, R)$ .

$$w^T X(t) = \bar{\mu}t + \bar{\beta}(\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \bar{\sigma}(s) dW(s), \quad t \geq 0$$

Then  $w^T X \sim NTS_{OU}(\alpha, \theta, \bar{\mu}, \bar{\beta}, \bar{\sigma}, R)$

$$\bar{\mu} = \sum_{n=1}^N w_n \mu_n, \quad \bar{\beta} = \sum_{n=1}^N w_n \beta_n, \quad \bar{\sigma}(t) = \sqrt{\sum_{m=1}^N \sum_{n=1}^N w_m w_n \sigma_m \sigma_n \rho_{m,n}(t)},$$

and  $(W(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is a Brownian motion.

# Girsanov Theorem and Risk Neutral Pricing

- Girsanov theorem is important for derivative pricing in the sense that it implicates we can change from physical measure to risk neutral measure to price an instrument.
- Price of the instrument will be the discounted expectation of the future under the risk neutral measure  $Q$ . i.e.  
$$P_{\text{derivative}} = D(0, T) \cdot E_Q(\text{Payoff}(S_T))$$
- Girsanov theorem implies that we can shift probability measure to transform an Ito process with a given drift to an Ito process with "arbitrary" drift.
- One important thing is that the market has to be complete to have a unique risk neutral measure for pricing.

# Girsanov Theorem - Mathematical Formulation

## Theorem (Girsanov)

Let  $B(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , be a Brownian motion on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , and let  $\mathcal{F}(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$  be a filtration for this Brownian motion. Let  $H(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$  be an adapted process. Define

$$Z(t) = \exp \left( - \int_0^t H(u) dW(u) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t H^2(u) du \right),$$

$$W(t) = B(t) + \int_0^t H(u) du,$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \int_0^T H^2(u) Z^2(u) du \right] < \infty.$$

Set  $Z = Z(t)$ , then  $E(Z) = 1$  and under the probability measure  $\mathbb{Q}$ :

$$\mathbb{Q}(A) = \int_A Z(\omega) dP(\omega) \text{ for all } A \in \mathcal{F},$$

the process  $W(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq T$ , is a Brownian motion.

## Change of Measure for NTS-OU

Let's apply the theorem 1 to the NTS-OU. We define  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N)$  and  $\hat{\beta} = (\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \dots, \hat{\beta}_N)$  that satisfies  $\mu - \beta = \lambda - \hat{\beta}$ . An  $N$ -dimensional process  $H(t) = (H_1(t), H_2(t), \dots, H_N(t))$  that satisfies the following,

$$\text{diag}(\sigma)R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(t))H(t) = (\beta - \hat{\beta})\sqrt{\tau(t)}. \quad (6)$$

Then equation 5 becomes the following,

$$X(t) = \lambda t + \hat{\beta} \int_0^t (\tau(u) - 1)du + \text{diag}(\sigma) \left( \int_0^t R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(u))\sqrt{\tau(u)}H(u)du + \int_0^t R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(u))\sqrt{\tau(u)}dB(u) \right). \quad (7)$$

With the *Radon-Nikodym derivative*:

$$\frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}} = e^{\Xi(T) - \frac{1}{2}[\Xi, \Xi](T)}, \quad \text{for } \Xi(t) = - \sum_{n=1}^N \int_0^t H_n(s)dB_n(s),$$

# Change of Measure for NTS-OU - Continued

by Girsanov's theorem, process

$$W(t) = B(t) + \int_0^t H(u)du,$$

is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Brownian motion, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= \lambda t + \hat{\beta} \int_0^t (\tau(u) - 1)du + \text{diag}(\sigma) \int_0^t R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(u))\sqrt{\tau(u)}dW(u) \\ &= \lambda t + \hat{\beta}(\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \text{diag}(\sigma) \int_0^t R^{1/2}(\mathcal{T}(u))dW(\mathcal{T}(u)) \\ &= \lambda t + \hat{\beta}(\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \text{diag}(\sigma) \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} R^{1/2}(u)dW(u). \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

$X \sim \text{NTS}_N(\alpha, \theta, \lambda, \hat{\beta}, \sigma, R)$  is, therefore, an NTS-OU-process under measure  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

## Bivariate Case of the NTS-OU Process

Let two-dimensional stochastic process follow the bivariate NTS-OU as,  $X = (X_1, X_2)^\top \sim \text{NTS}_{OU}(\alpha, \theta, \mu, \beta, \sigma, R)$  with parameters to be  $\alpha \in (0, 2)$ ,  $\theta > 0$ ,  $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2)^\top$ ,  $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2)^\top$ ,  $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2)^\top$ ,  $R = (R(t))_{t \geq 0}$  and

$$R(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho(t) \\ \rho(t) & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where correlation  $\rho = (\rho(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is a time-dependent stochastic process bounded in  $[-1, 1]$ . Then we have  $X(t) = (X_1(t), X_2(t))^\top$  with

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_1(t) \\ X_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix} t + \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} (\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix} \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \rho(t) & \sqrt{1 - \rho(t)^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} dB_1(t) \\ dB_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\mathcal{T}$  is the tempered stable subordinator,  $B = (B(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is the independent two-dimensional Brownian motion.

## Bivariate Case of the NTS-OU Process- Continued

Let  $Z(t) = w_1 X_1(t) + w_2 X_2(t)$  then  $E[Z(t)] = w_1 \mu_1 + w_2 \mu_2$  We have

$$Z(t) = \bar{\mu}t + \bar{\beta}(\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \bar{\sigma}(s) dW(s),$$

where  $\bar{\mu} = w_1 \mu_1 + w_2 \mu_2$ ,  $\bar{\beta} = w_1 \beta_1 + w_2 \beta_2$ , and

$$\bar{\sigma}(s) = \sqrt{w_1^2 \sigma_1^2 + w_2^2 \sigma_2^2 + 2w_1 w_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rho(s)}.$$

## Bivariate Case of the NTS-OU Process- Continued

Now we calculate the characteristic function for  $Z(t)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{Z(t)}(u) &= E [E [E[\exp(iuZ(t))|\mathcal{F}_\rho(t)|\mathcal{T}(t)]] \\ &= \exp(iu(\bar{\mu} - \bar{\beta})t)\phi_{\tau(t)} \left( u\bar{\beta} + \frac{iu^2}{2} (w_1^2\sigma_1^2 + w_2^2\sigma_2^2) \right) \\ &\quad \times E \left[ \exp \left( -u^2 w_1 w_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \rho(s) ds \right) \right].\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

For convenience, we define a process  $(\mathcal{I}(\rho, t))_{t \geq 0}$  as  $\mathcal{I}(\rho, t) = \int_0^t \rho(s) ds$  and let  $\phi_{\mathcal{I}(\rho, t)}(u)$  be the characteristic function of  $\mathcal{I}(\rho, t)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{Z(t)}(u) &= \exp(iu(\bar{\mu} - \bar{\beta})t)\phi_{\tau(t)} \left( u\bar{\beta} + \frac{iu^2}{2} (w_1^2\sigma_1^2 + w_2^2\sigma_2^2) \right) \\ &\quad \times E [\phi_{\mathcal{I}(\rho, \mathcal{T}(t))}(iu^2 w_1 w_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2)].\end{aligned}\quad (10)$$



# Notations and Settings

Here we describe the settings and the notations for pricing.

- Let  $r_d \geq 0$  and  $r_f \geq 0$  be the instantaneous interest rate for the domestic and foreign currency respectively.
- Let  $V(t)$  be the price process of the underlying asset in domestic currency.
- Let  $S(t)$  be the price process of the underlying asset in foreign currency.
- Let  $F(t)$  be the exchange rate process where for one unit of foreign currency, we get  $F(t)$  amount of domestic currency. i.e.

$$S(t) = \frac{V(t)}{F(t)}$$

# Bivariate NTS-OU and Quanto Option

To obtain the NTS-based quanto Option value with stochastic dependence, we assume that processes  $(V(t))_{t \geq 0}$  and  $(F(t))_{t \geq 0}$  are given by

$$V(t) = V(0) \exp(\mu_X t + X(t)) \quad \text{and} \quad F(t) = F(0) \exp(\mu_Y t + Y(t)), \quad (11)$$

where  $\mu_X, \mu_Y \in \mathbb{R}$  and

$$(X, Y) \sim \text{NTS}_{OU_2} \left( \alpha, \theta, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \beta_X \\ \beta_Y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_X \\ \sigma_Y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho(t) \\ \rho(t) & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{t \geq 0} \right)$$

for a bounded stochastic process  $\rho = (\rho(t))_{t \geq 0}$  under the physical (or market) measure  $\mathbb{P}$ . With  $\lambda = (\lambda_X, \lambda_Y)^\top$ , then, we can find equivalent measure  $\mathbb{Q}_\lambda$ , under which

$$(X, Y) \sim \text{NTS}_{OU_2} \left( \alpha, \theta, \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_X^* \\ \lambda_Y^* \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \beta_X + \lambda_X^* \\ \beta_Y + \lambda_Y^* \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_X \\ \sigma_Y \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho(t) \\ \rho(t) & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{t \geq 0} \right)$$

# Equivalent Martingale Measure

We find an equivalent measure (or risk-neutral measure),  $\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}$ , with  $\lambda^* = (\lambda_X^*, \lambda_Y^*)^\top$ . This means

$$E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}} [\tilde{V}(t)] = V(0) \quad \text{and} \quad E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}} [\tilde{F}(t)] = F(0)$$

The discounted price processes are  $(\tilde{V}(t))_{t \geq 0}$  and  $(\tilde{F}(t))_{t \geq 0}$  defined as follows with

$$\tilde{V}(t) = e^{-r_d t} V(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{F}(t) = e^{(-r_d + r_f)t} F(t)$$

This is equivalent to

$$E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}} [e^{X(t)}] = e^{-(\mu_X - r_d)t}, \quad \text{and} \quad E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}} [e^{Y(t)}] = e^{-(\mu_Y - r_d + r_f)t}$$

## Equivalent Martingale Measure - continued

This implies  $\lambda^*$  has to satisfy the following two conditions:

**Condition 1:**  $\lambda_X^* < \theta - \beta_X - \frac{\sigma_X^2}{2}$  and  $\lambda_Y^* < \theta - \beta_Y - \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{2}$  so that  $E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}}[e^{X(t)}]$  and  $E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}}[e^{Y(t)}]$  exist.

**Condition 2:**  $\mu_X - r_d + w(\lambda_X^*) = 0$  and  $\mu_Y - r_d + r_f + w(\lambda_Y^*) = 0$ , where

$$w(\lambda_X^*) = \log E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}}[e^{X(1)}] = -\beta_X - \frac{2\theta^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{\alpha} \left( \left( \theta - \beta_X - \lambda_X^* - \frac{\sigma_X^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} - \theta^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \right),$$
$$w(\lambda_Y^*) = \log E_{\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}}[e^{Y(1)}] = -\beta_Y - \frac{2\theta^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{\alpha} \left( \left( \theta - \beta_Y - \lambda_Y^* - \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} - \theta^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \right).$$

## Price Processes under $\mathbb{Q}$ measure

Since, we have  $\mu_X = r_d - w(\lambda_X^*)$  and  $\mu_Y = r_d - r_f - w(\lambda_Y^*)$ , we also have

$$\begin{aligned}V(t) &= V(0) \exp((r_d - w(\lambda_X^*))t + X(t)), \\F(t) &= F(0) \exp((r_d - r_f - w(\lambda_Y^*))t + Y(t)).\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the asset price in foreign currency,  $S(t)$ , is obtained by

$$S(t) = \frac{V(t)}{F(t)} = S(0) \exp((r_f - w(\lambda_X^*) + w(\lambda_Y^*))t + Z(t)) \quad (12)$$

where  $Z(t) = X(t) - Y(t)$ , under the risk-neutral measure  $\mathbb{Q}_{\lambda^*}$

## Price Processes under $\mathbb{Q}$ measure - Continued

With  $w = (1, -1)^\top$ ,  $Z = (Z(t))_{t \geq 0}$  now follows

$$Z(t) = \lambda_Z t + \beta_Z (\mathcal{T}(t) - t) + \int_0^{\mathcal{T}(t)} \sigma_Z(s) dW(s), \quad t \geq 0,$$

where  $\lambda_Z = \lambda_X^* - \lambda_Y^*$ ,  $\beta_Z = \beta_X + \lambda_X^* - \beta_Y - \lambda_Y^*$ ,

$\sigma_Z(t) = \sqrt{\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2 - 2\sigma_X\sigma_Y\rho(t)}$  and  $(W(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is an 1-dimensional Brownian motion independent of  $\rho$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ .

## Price Processes under $\mathbb{Q}$ measure - Continued

Hence, by equation (10), we can quickly check the characteristic function of  $Z(t)$  becoming

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{Z(t)}(u) &= \exp(iu(\lambda_Z - \beta_Z)t)\phi_{\tau(t)}\left(u\beta_Z + \frac{iu^2}{2}(\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2)\right) \\ &\quad \times E\left[\phi_{\mathcal{I}(\rho, \mathcal{T}(t))}(-iu^2\sigma_X\sigma_Y)\right]\end{aligned}\tag{13}$$

Note that the characteristic function for the correlation i.e.  $\phi_{\mathcal{I}(\rho, \mathcal{T}(t))}$  is given in equation 4.

# General European Option Pricing Formula

Now we can leverage the general European option pricing formula to price the Quanto option with 1 dimensional NTS-OU process.

## Theorem (Lewis)

Let  $h(x)$  be a payoff function of a given European option with  $x = \log S(T)$  and  $\hat{h}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\xi x} h(x) dx$ . Suppose  $\hat{h}(\xi)$  is defined for all  $\xi \in R_h = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) \in I_h\}$ , for some open interval  $I_h$ . The driving process  $(U(T))_{t \geq 0}$ , with  $U(t) = \ln S(t)$ , is a Lévy process, such that a characteristic function  $\phi_{U(T-t)}(u)$  of  $U(T-t)$  is defined for all  $\xi \in R_\phi = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) \in I_\phi\}$ , for some open interval  $I_\phi$ . Then, the European option price  $C(t)$  at time  $t$  is determined by

$$C(t) = \frac{e^{-r_d(T-t)}}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (S(t))^{i(u+i\zeta)} \phi_{U(T-t)}(u+i\zeta) \hat{h}(u+i\zeta) du, \quad \zeta \in I_h \cap I_\phi. \quad (14)$$



## General European Option Pricing Formula - continued

We layout the components of the above equation (7). The payoff function of the quanto option is  $F_{fix}(S(T) - K)^+$ , thus we rewrite it to be

$$h(x) = F_{fix}(e^x - K)^+ \text{ and } \hat{h}(\xi) = -F_{fix}K^{1-i\xi}/\xi(\xi + i). \quad (15)$$

$\hat{h}(\xi)$  is well defined for  $\xi \in \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(z) \in I_h = (-\infty, -1)\}$ .  
the characteristic function of  $U(T-t)$  becomes

$$\phi_{U(T-t)}(\xi) = e^{i\xi(r_f - w(\lambda_X^*) + w(\lambda_Y^*))(T-t)} \phi_{Z(T-t)}(\xi). \quad (16)$$

## General European Option Pricing Formula - continued

Let  $T \geq 0$  then by theorem 2 the quanto call option price is

$$\begin{aligned} C_t^{quanto}(K, T) &= \exp(-r_d(T-t)) E^{\mathbb{Q}} [F_{fix}(S(T) - K)^+ | F_t] \\ &= \frac{e^{-r_d(T-t)}}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (S(t))^{i(u+i\zeta)} \\ &\quad \times \frac{F_{fix} K^{1-i(u+i\zeta)} \phi_{U(T-t)}(u+i\zeta)}{(-1)(u+i\zeta)(u+i(\zeta+1))} du, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

By looking at equation (13) and equation (16), we can see that we can directly use the equation (17) to calculate the quanto call option price.

# Empirical Results

- 1 Quanto Option with S&P 500 and EUR-USD
- 2 Quanto Option with DJIA and BTC-USD

# Empirical Results

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- ② Quanto Option with DJIA and BTC-USD

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

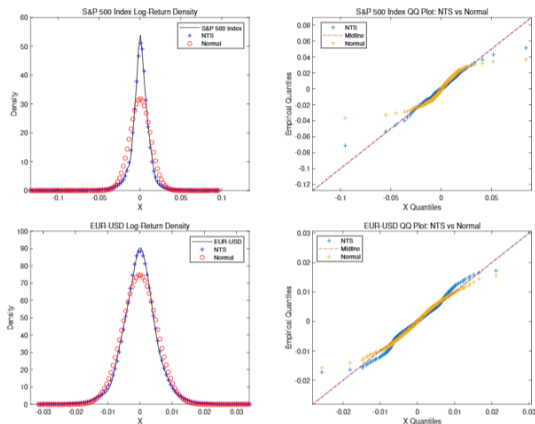
- In-sample test: Summary Statistics

	S&P 500	EUR-USD
Mean	$3.1688 \times 10^{-04}$	$-4.9179 \times 10^{-05}$
Standard Deviation	0.0125	0.0053
Skewness	-0.9548	-0.0394
Kurtosis	20.8514	5.6368
$Q_{.01}$	-0.1034	-0.0269
$Q_{.05}$	-0.0482	-0.0173
$Q_{.1}$	-0.0342	-0.0142
$Q_{.5}$	-0.0178	-0.0081
$Q_{.95}$	0.0156	0.0086
$Q_{.99}$	0.0309	0.0139
$Q_{.995}$	0.0470	0.0155
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**Table 1:** Summary statistics for daily log-returns of the S&P 500 and the EUR-USD exchange rate from January 2015 to June 2020.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- In-sample test: Density Distributions and the Q-Q plots



**Figure 3:** The log-return density distribution (left) and the QQ-plot (right) for both the S&P 500 index and the EUR-USD. The NTS distribution and the normal distribution are fitted.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- In-sample test: Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

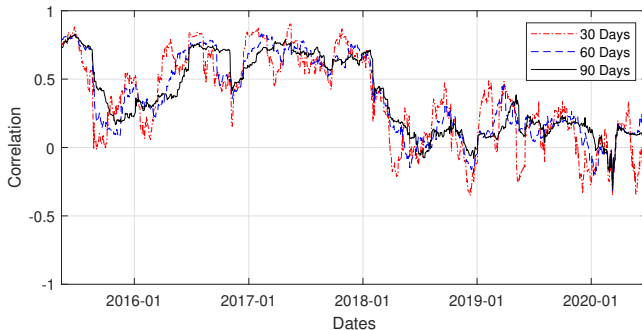
$$KS = \sup |\hat{F}(x) - F(x)|$$

	S&P 500		EUR-USD	
Distribution	KS Statistics	<i>p-value</i>	KS Statistics	<i>p-value</i>
Normal	0.1056	0.0001	0.0469	0.0034
Student's T	0.023	0.422	0.0169	0.7993
NTS	0.0072	0.9997	0.0056	0.9921

**Table 2:** *p*-values of the KS test for three candidate distribution in the S&P 500 and the EUR-USD at 5% of the significance level. The NTS strongly beats the other candidates the normal and the student's T.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- Historical Correlation



**Figure 4:** Illustration of the historical rolling correlation between the S&P 500 and the EUR-USD returns over the period of January 2015 and June 2020



# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- Generating proxy data for parameter calibration

The full quanto option price is calculated by

$$e^{-r_d(T-t)} F_{fix} E_Q[(S(T) - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

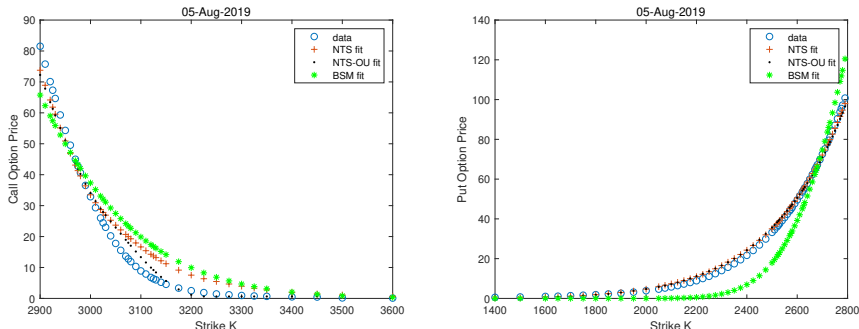
but

$$E_Q[(S(T) - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

part are replaced with the market price of S&P 500 index call and put options.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- Market data fitting :  $\text{NTS-OU} > \text{NTS} > \text{BS}$



**Figure 5:** Comparing the estimated prices for the quanto option of the S&P 500 index and EUR-USD on August 5, 2019. The NTS-OU is the best performer, followed by the NTS and then the BS.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

## • Parameter Calibration - 6 samples

Date	Model	$\alpha$	$\theta$	$\lambda_Z$	$\beta_Z$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\mu_Z$	$\rho_0$	$\sigma_{OU}$	$\kappa_{OU}$
05-Aug-2019	BS					0.7762	0.6258		0.9965		
	NTS	0.0001	1.9557	-0.0052	0.1790	0.1502	0.0906	0.0005			
	NTS-OU	0.2549	2.1592	0.0018	0.3702	0.0735	0.0735	0.0002	0.2416	2.6914	13.4179
08-Aug-2019	BS					0.7434	0.6113		1.0000		
	NTS	1.3372	0.1143	0.0052	0.0810	0.1508	0.0908	-0.0005			
	NTS-OU	1.3198	1.5552	-0.0173	0.3664	0.1268	0.0379	0.0018	0.9999	0.0000	0.6678
13-Aug-2019	BS					0.7313	0.5936		1.0000		
	NTS	0.0001	1.6484	-0.0191	0.1422	0.1186	0.0756	-0.0029			
	NTS-OU	0.5193	1.4461	-0.0104	0.2750	0.0668	0.0669	0.0010	0.0423	3.7562	15.0887
15-Aug-2019	BS					0.7185	0.5601		1.0000		
	NTS	0.0001	2.7481	-0.0070	0.1561	0.1512	0.09309	0.0008			
	NTS-OU	1.3978	3.33E-05	-0.0045	0.5329	0.0010	0.1088	0.0004	-0.2119	-0.2855	2.3407
21-Aug-2019	BS					0.7390	0.6099		0.9993		
	NTS	1.3866	0.0986	0.0054	0.0660	0.1519	0.0905	-0.0005			
	NTS-OU	1.0706	4.6120	-0.0095	0.4499	0.0760	0.0695	0.0010	0.7028	3.3230	9.3295
23-Aug-2019	BS					0.6835	0.5340		0.9984		
	NTS	0.0001	1.9362	-0.0198	0.1310	0.1524	0.0905	0.0015			
	NTS-OU	1.2044	2.4331	-0.0209	0.5734	0.0010	0.0010	0.0016	0.0671	3.2780	14.1898

**Table 3:** Fig.5. Calibrated risk-neutral parameters under the BS, the NTS and the NTS-OU models for the S&P 500 and the EUR-USD quanto option. Note that the all estimated  $\alpha$  are well below 2 which implies the heavy tails and skewness in this quanto option dynamics

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- Goodness-of-fit test

Date	Model	RMSE	AAE	APE
05-Aug-2019	BS	9.3650	7.9902	0.2477
	NTS	3.4094	2.5545	0.0792
	NTS-OU	2.7870	2.1422	0.0664
08-Aug-2019	BS	8.6772	7.2288	0.3117
	NTS	3.4306	2.7598	0.1190
	NTS-OU	0.6912	0.5450	0.0235
13-Aug-2019	BS	9.3630	7.9459	0.3466
	NTS	2.0207	1.2874	0.0562
	NTS-OU	1.7385	1.3069	0.0570
15-Aug-2019	BS	18.9876	2.3157	6.3008
	NTS	10.1730	1.5348	4.1765
	NTS-OU	6.4119	1.5083	4.1037
21-Aug-2019	BS	7.2555	6.0643	0.3340
	NTS	3.8922	3.1852	0.1754
	NTS-OU	1.8426	1.4862	0.0819
23-Aug-2019	BS	8.1294	6.9202	0.3103
	NTS	4.1080	2.9506	0.1323
	NTS-OU	2.3988	1.8563	0.0832

**Table 4:** The goodness-of-fit test result for calibrated parameters shown. This test is performed on the selected ten trading days in August 2019 for the S&P 500 Index and the EUR-USD quanto options. The NTS-OU consistently show the lowest value on all test measures except for a few cases, while the BS model comprehensively underperform.

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

- Goodness-of-fit metrics definition.

*The error estimators follows:*

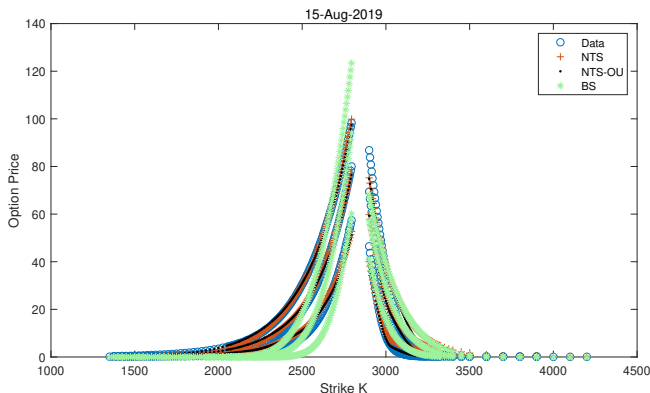
$$AAE(\text{Average Absolute Error}) = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{|\hat{P}_j - P_j|}{N}$$

$$APE(\text{Average Prediction Error}) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N |\hat{P}_j - P_j| / N}{\sum_{j=1}^N |\hat{P}_j| / N}$$

$$RMSE(\text{Root Mean - Square Error}) = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^N \frac{(\hat{P}_j - P_j)^2}{N}}$$

# Empirical Results - S&P 500 and EUR-USD

## • Term Structure



**Figure 6:** A term structure on the S&P 500 Index with the EUR-USD quanto option. Based on the RMSE, the BS model (18.9876) is clearly underperforms for all strike prices. The NTS model (10.173) is the next whereas the NTS-OU (6.4119) provides the best fitting capability.

# Empirical Results

- ① Quanto Option with S&P 500 and EUR-USD
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  - ① In-sample test
  - ② Kolmogorov Smirnov (KS) Test
  - ③ Stochastic Correlation
  - ④ Parameter Calibration
  - ⑤ Goodness-of-fit-test for the parameter calibration
  - ⑥ Term structure

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

- In-sample test: Summary Statistics

	DJIA	Bitcoin
Mean	$2.7389 \times 10^{-04}$	0.0022
Standard Deviation	0.0125	0.0428
Skewness	-1.1219	-1.1268
Kurtosis	27.9564	17.2957
$Q_{.01}$	-0.1094	-0.2661
$Q_{.05}$	-0.0469	-0.1688
$Q_{.1}$	-0.0363	-0.1283
$Q_{.5}$	-0.0177	-0.0630
$Q_{.95}$	0.0147	0.0672
$Q_{.99}$	0.0313	0.1184
$Q_{.995}$	0.0483	0.1444
$Q_{.999}$	0.0917	0.2159

**Table 5:** Summary statistics for daily log-returns of the DJIA and the Bitcoin exchange rate from January 2015 to June 2020. The high kurtosis value far exceeding 3 (the normal distribution case) gives us the confidence to consider the NTS assumption.



# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

- In-sample test: Density Distributions and the Q-Q plots

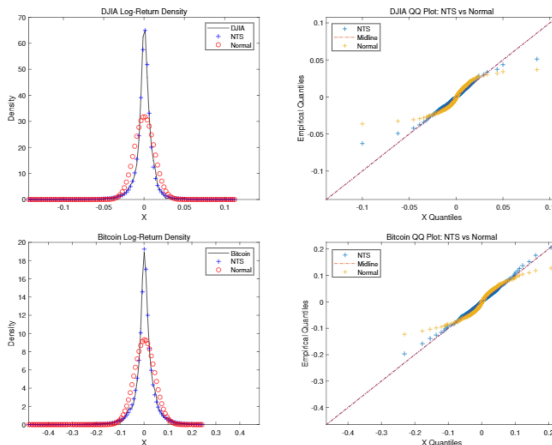


Figure 7: The log-return density distribution (left) and the QQ-plot (right) for both the DJIA index and the Bitcoin-USD. The NTS distribution and the normal distribution are fitted.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

- In-sample test: Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

	DJIA		Bitcoin	
Distribution	KS Statistics	<i>p-value</i>	KS Statistics	<i>p-value</i>
Normal	0.1407	0.0001	0.1178	0.0001
Student's T	0.0228	0.4367	0.0251	0.3157
NTS	0.0101	0.8938	0.0057	0.9995

**Table 6:** *p*-values of the KS test for three candidate distribution in the DJIA and the BTC-USD at 5% of the significance level. The NTS displays the high *p*-value of 0.8938 and 0.9995 for both the DJIA and the Bitcoin movements whereas the normal assumption is clearly failed to describe the empirical distribution.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

- Historical Correlation

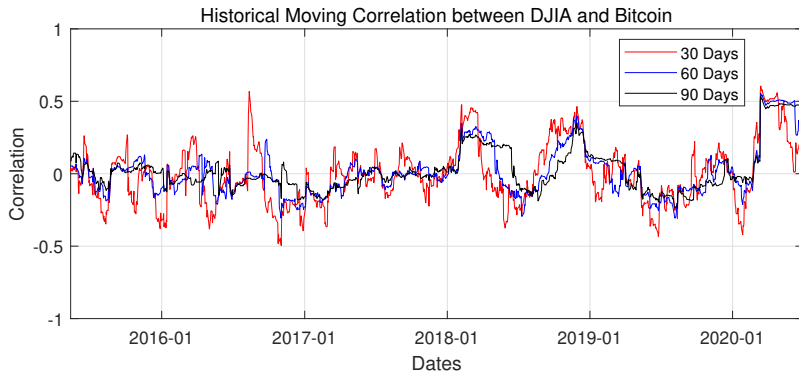
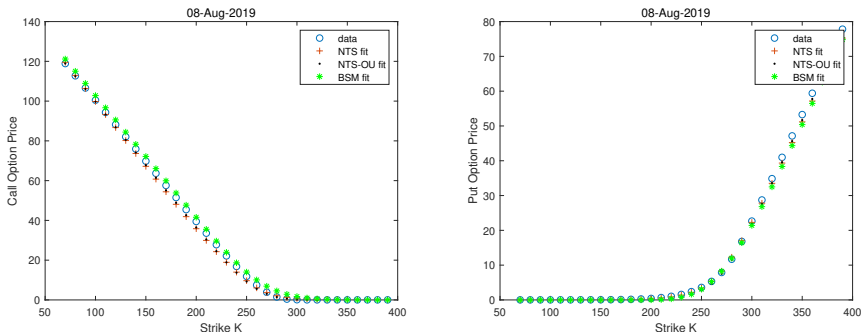


Figure 8: Historical rolling correlation between the DJIA and the BTC-USD returns over the period of January 2015 and June 2020.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

- Market data fitting :  $\text{NTS-OU} > \text{NTS} > \text{BS}$



**Figure 9:** Comparing the estimated prices for the quanto option of the DIA with BTC-USD on August 8, 2019. Due to the limited data points, the difference between the NTS and the NTS-OU model is indistinguishable, but we note that the BS model does not perform well around the out-of-the-money strikes. The lower RMSE of the NTS-OU model (4.9258) than the BS model (5.5368) supports this observation.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

## • Parameter Calibration

date	model	$\alpha$	$\theta$	$\lambda_Z$	$\beta_Z$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\mu_Z$	$\rho_0$	$\sigma_{OU}$	$\kappa_{OU}$
05-Aug-2019	BS					0.1283	0.2042		0.6262		
	NTS	0.5920	2.3819	-0.0281	0.2152	0.1512	0.0931	0.0028			
	NTS-OU	0.6959	7.0222	-0.0111	0.2532	0.1485	0.0891	0.0011	-0.5891	2.4830	12.811
08-Aug-2019	BS					0.2238	0.1012		0.7847		
	NTS	0.6312	0.8274	-0.0170	0.0403	0.1508	0.0908	0.0017			
	NTS-OU	1.9012	8.2731	-0.0161	0.8061	0.0707	0.0663	0.0016	-0.3967	3.0990	11.0851
16-Aug-2019	BS					0.2308	0.1035		0.6984		
	NTS	0.7263	0.5895	-0.0148	0.0475	0.1186	0.0757	0.0015			
	NTS-OU	1.9530	8.3134	-0.0153	0.9111	0.0585	0.0554	0.0015	-0.3893	3.0982	11.0872
19-Aug-2019	BS					0.2255	0.1031		0.6977		
	NTS	0.8614	2.3498	-0.0119	0.1604	0.0983	0.0632	0.0012			
	NTS-OU	1.8874	9.5927	-0.0159	0.8433	0.0395	0.0347	0.0016	0.6865	3.3568	11.3882
20-Aug-2019	BS					0.2139	0.0893		0.7314		
	NTS	0.6478	0.8418	-0.0134	0.0430	0.1515	0.0903	0.0013			
	NTS-OU	1.8391	9.1712	-0.0162	0.3068	0.0879	0.0866	0.0016	0.9999	2.8940	11.7439
21-Aug-2019	BS					0.2230	0.0996		0.7858		
	NTS	0.4300	0.5422	-0.0172	0.0109	0.1519	0.0905	0.0017			
	NTS-OU	1.9182	9.1790	-0.0183	0.8845	0.0351	0.0212	0.0018	-0.2364	0.4304	12.3552

**Table 7:** Calibrated parameter comparison for the DJIA with Bitcoin quanto options between BS, NTS and NTS-OU.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

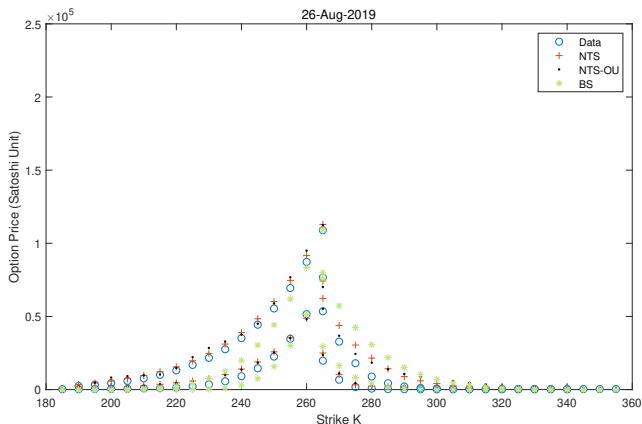
- Goodness-of-fit test

Date	Model	RMSE	AAE (bp <sup>1</sup> )	APE (%)
05-Aug-2019	BS	8.9876	2.3157	6.3008
	NTS	5.0641	1.5348	4.1765
	NTS-OU	4.6683	1.5083	4.1037
08-Aug-2019	BS	5.5368	4.5863	3.3023
	NTS	1.8003	1.4018	1.2406
	NTS-OU	4.9258	3.8356	3.3946
16-Aug-2019	BS	7.0598	2.0326	4.8581
	NTS	4.4422	1.4505	3.4669
	NTS-OU	4.3475	1.4265	3.4094
19-Aug-2019	BS	6.9423	2.0062	5.0348
	NTS	3.2871	1.1909	2.9886
	NTS-OU	3.1332	1.1907	2.9882
20-Aug-2019	BS	6.8902	2.0123	4.9955
	NTS	4.7131	1.4260	3.5401
	NTS-OU	3.5251	1.2756	3.1666
21-Aug-2019	BS	5.6648	1.8138	4.2243
	NTS	5.0603	1.4871	3.4632
	NTS-OU	3.5799	1.2941	3.0137

**Table 8:** Quanto option price goodness of fit for DJIA with Bitcoin, The unit is in Bitcoin: RMSE, AAE, APE. Note that 05 August 2019 is run with multiple expiries to capture the term structure. The NTS-OU model show the lowest RMSE, AAE, and APE with a few exceptions.

# Empirical Results - DJIA and BTC-USD

## • Term Structure



**Figure 10:** A term structure of the DJIA and the BTC-USD quanto option with different expiries. We deleted the price of the deep in-the-money strikes.

# Conclusion

- In this study, we propose the NTS-OU pricing model for quanto option by combining the OU process with the previous NTS framework.
- We also derived a closed-form solution under the risk-neutral measure by applying Girsanov's Theorem.
- For the effective numerical calculation, the characteristic function is provided to be directly used for fast Fourier transform.



# Conclusion

- In the empirical illustration, we tested two empirical case studies to understand the model performance in different market environments.
- For both case studies, across all selected trading dates, the NTS model consistently displays a superior price estimation than the BS model and the NTS model.
- This conclusion is supported by the statistical summary, multiple goodness-of-fit metrics, and the term structure.

# Future Works

- Delta-hedging strategies for the NTS-OU model; we can apply the local risk-minimizing hedging strategy.
- Discuss the tradeoff between flexibility by adding parameters and computational effectiveness.

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## Questions and Answers