

# Uniswap V3 Pricing Review for Lenders

## Abstract

With the creation of Uniswap, thorough stochastic pricing analysis has been reviewed by Bardoscia and Millionis describing its spot pricing dynamics. Since its release, only a few protocols have been created to address leveraged perpetual options using Uniswap V3 pricing dynamics, effectively creating a “loan” based on backed collateral for position holders. Below is a review of simulation using Mathematica to generate empirical risk profiles for V3 positions with standard techniques in Stochastic Calculus.

# Stochastic Calculus Review

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 1/2 β^2 * D[F, {var, 2}] * dt /. stocs // Simplify`

## Multivariable Ito's Lemma

**THEOREM 14.2.3** Let  $W_1, W_2, \dots, W_m$  be Wiener processes and let  $X \equiv (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m)$  be a vector process. Suppose that  $f : R^m \rightarrow R$  is twice continuously differentiable and  $X_i$  is an Ito process with  $dX_i = a_i dt + b_i dW_i$ . Then  $df(X)$  is the following Ito process,

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```
In[4]:= MVIto[F_, vars_, stocs_] :=
  Sum[D[F, {var}] * dvar, {var, vars}] +
  Sum[1/2 D[F, pairs[[1]], pairs[[2]]] * dpairs[[1]] * dpairs[[2]],
    {pairs, Subsets[vars, {2}] ~Join~ Map[{#, #} &, vars]}] /. stocs // Simplify;
```

## Sanity Checks

The Single Variable Ito should correctly return GBM.

```
In[5]:= SVIto @@ {e^S, S, {dS -> mu dt + sigma dW, alpha -> mu, beta -> sigma}} // (##) & // Simplify
```

```
Out[5]:= (mu + (sigma^2)/2) dt + sigma dW
```

The Multi-variable Ito should correctly return the Forward Contract process.

```
In[6]:= MVIto @@ {S * e^(T-t), {S, t}, {dS -> mu S dt + sigma S dW}}
```

```
Out[6]:= (1/2) e^(-t+T) y S (-2 + y dt) ((y - mu) dt - sigma dW)
```

```
In[7]:=
```

The Multi-variable Ito should correctly return the Log Normal process.

```
In[8]:= MVIto @@ {Log[S], {S, t}, {dS -> mu S dt + sigma S dW}} //
```

```
Expand //
```

```
(## /. {(dt)^2 -> 0, (dW)^2 -> dt, dt dW -> 0}) & //
```

```
Simplify
```

```
Out[8]:= (mu - (sigma^2)/2) dt + sigma dW
```

## Geometric Brownian Motion

Geometric Brownian Motion is a process that assumes random percent changes. Rather than random step changes, this has features where the value is not negative and is modeled in lots of natural processes.

```
In[9]:= diffGBM = dS -> S (mu + (sigma^2)/2) dt + S sigma dW;
```

## Ornstien-Uhlenbeck

Ornstien-Uhlenbeck processes drive to the mean  $\mu$  as time goes on. This is in effect a mean reverting process model.

```
In[10]:= diffOrnstienUhlenbeck = dX -> kappa (mu - X) dt + sigma dW;
```

```
In[11]:= SVIto[X^2, X, {alpha -> -kappa * X, beta -> sigma}]
```

```
Out[11]:= (-2 X^2 kappa + sigma^2) dt + 2 X sigma dW
```

```
In[12]:= MVIto[X^2, {X, t}, {dX → -κ * X dt + σ dW}] //
Expand //
(≠ /. {(dt)^2 → 0, (dW)^2 → dt, dt dW → 0}) & //
Simplify
Out[12]:= (-2 X^2 κ + σ^2) dt + 2 X σ dW
```

# Uniswap V3 Stochastic Analysis

## Value of a Uniswap V3 Position

### Uniswap State Equations

### Pricing Derivations for Impermanent Loss

```
In[19]:= ethDailyVol = 0.0034;
ethMeanYearly = 0.1;
currentPrice = 1628;
lowerBound = 1600;
upperBound = 1700;
initialValue = 10000;

In[25]:= currentLiquidityParams =
Liquidity[lowerBound, upperBound, currentPrice, initialValue] // N

Out[25]:= {{x → 4.37661, y → 2874.87, L → 8249.71}}

In[26]:= originalValue =
x * p + y /. tokensGivenLiquidity /. {pa → lower, pb → higher, p → startPrice};
currentValue = x * p + y /. tokensGivenLiquidity /. {pa → lower, pb → higher};
IL =  $\frac{\text{currentValue} - \text{originalValue}}{\text{originalValue}}$ ;
humanReadable = {lower → pa, higher → pb, startPrice → p0};

In[30]:= IL /. humanReadable // Simplify;
```

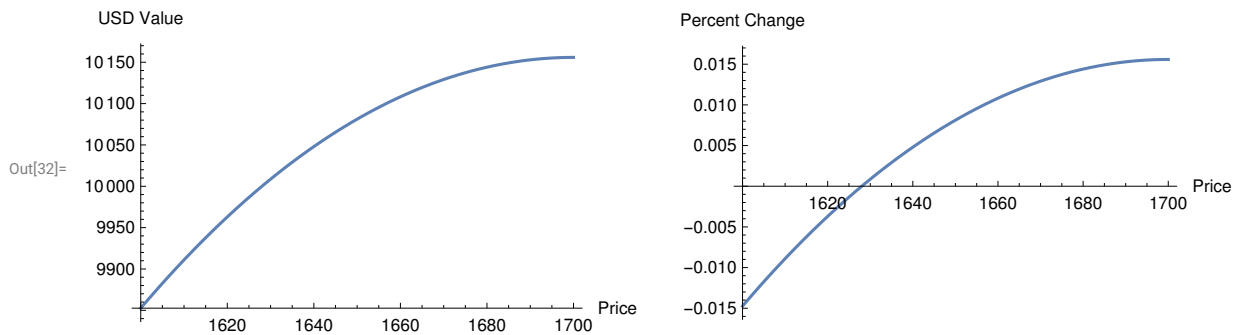
### Plotting to Understand Value Curves

```
In[31]:= valueCurve = currentValue /. currentLiquidityParams;
```

```

In[32]:= GraphicsGrid[{{
  Plot[valueCurve /.
    {lower → lowerBound, higher → upperBound, startPrice → currentPrice},
    {p, lowerBound, upperBound}, AxesLabel → {"Price", "USD Value"}],
  Plot[
    IL /. {lower → lowerBound, higher → upperBound, startPrice → currentPrice},
    {p, lowerBound, upperBound}, AxesLabel → {"Price", "Percent Change"}]
}}]

```



## Closed Form Analysis

```

In[57]:= procPVOpen = TransformedProcess[currentValue /. {p → p[t]},
  p ≈ GeometricBrownianMotionProcess[μ, σ, S],
  t]

```

```

Out[57]= TransformedProcess[L (-√lower + √p[t]) +  $\frac{L(\sqrt{\text{higher}} - \sqrt{p[t]})\sqrt{p[t]}}{\sqrt{\text{higher}}}$ ,
  p ≈ GeometricBrownianMotionProcess[μ, σ, S], t]

```

```
In[60]:= TableForm[{
  {"Mean Function", Mean[procPVOpen[t]] /. {higher → pb, lower → pa}},
  {"Variance", Variance[procPVOpen[t]] /. {higher → pb, lower → pa}}
}]
```

Out[60]//TableForm=

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Mean Function} & L \left( 2 e^{\frac{1}{8} t (4 \mu - \sigma^2)} \sqrt{S} - \sqrt{p_a} - \frac{e^{t \mu} S}{\sqrt{p_b}} \right) \\ \text{Variance} & \frac{e^{t \mu} L^2 S \left( -e^{t \mu} S + e^{t (\mu + \sigma^2)} S + \left( 4 - 4 e^{-\frac{t \sigma^2}{4}} \right) p_b + 4 e^{\frac{1}{8} t (4 \mu - \sigma^2)} \sqrt{S p_b} - 4 e^{\frac{1}{8} t (4 \mu + 3 \sigma^2)} \sqrt{S p_b} \right)}{p_b} \end{array}$$

```
In[88]:= ILOpen = MVIto@@{IL, {p, t}, {(diffGBM /. {S → p})}} //
  Expand //
  (# /. {(dt)^2 → 0, (dW)^2 → dt, dt dW → 0}) & //
  Simplify
procILOpen = ItoProcess[{dV[t] == IL /. {p → p[t]}}, {V[t]}, {V, V0}, {t, 0},
  {W ≈ WienerProcess[], p ≈ GeometricBrownianMotionProcess[μ, σ, S]}];
TableForm[{
  {"Mean Function",
    Mean[procILOpen[t]] /. {higher → pb, lower → pa, startPrice → p0}},
  {"Variance", Variance[procILOpen[t]] /. {higher → pb, lower → pa, startPrice → p0}}
}]
```

Out[88]=

$$\frac{(2 p (2 \mu + \sigma^2) - \sqrt{\text{higher}} \sqrt{p} (4 \mu + \sigma^2)) dt + (-4 \sqrt{\text{higher}} \sqrt{p} \sigma + 4 p \sigma) dW}{4 (\sqrt{\text{higher}} (\sqrt{\text{lower}} - 2 \sqrt{\text{startPrice}}) + \text{startPrice})}$$

Out[90]//TableForm=

```
Mean Function    V0
Variance         0
```

## Pricing With IL

```

In[36]:= resultIL = MVIto@@{IL, {p, t}, {{diffGBM /. {S -> p}}}} //
  Expand //
  (# /. {(dt)^2 -> 0, (dW)^2 -> dt, dt dW -> 0}) & //
  Simplify;
resultIL /. humanReadable

Out[37]= 
$$\frac{dW \left( 4 p \sigma - 4 \sqrt{p} \sigma \sqrt{p_b} \right) + dt \left( 2 p \left( 2 \mu + \sigma^2 \right) - \sqrt{p} \left( 4 \mu + \sigma^2 \right) \sqrt{p_b} \right)}{4 \left( p_0 + \left( -2 \sqrt{p_0} + \sqrt{p_a} \right) \sqrt{p_b} \right)}$$


In[38]:= preprocessIL = resultIL /. currentLiquidityParams[[1]] /.
  {p -> p[t], W -> W[t], lower -> lowerBound, higher -> upperBound,  $\mu \rightarrow \frac{\text{ethMeanYearly}}{365}$ ,
   $\sigma \rightarrow \text{ethDailyVol}$ , startPrice -> currentPrice} // N // Simplify

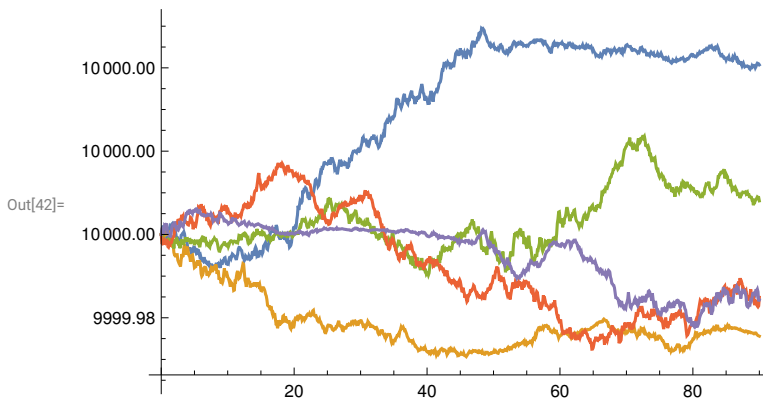
Out[38]=  $0.000228404 dt \sqrt{p[t]} + 0.0028049 dW[t] \sqrt{p[t]} - 5.59742 \times 10^{-6} dt p[t] - 0.0000680288 dW[t] \times p[t]$ 

In[39]:= procIL = ItoProcess[dV[t] == preprocessIL,
  V[t], {V, 10 000}, {t, 0}, {W  $\approx$  WienerProcess[], p  $\approx$ 
  GeometricBrownianMotionProcess[ $\frac{\text{ethMeanYearly}}{365}$ , ethDailyVol, currentPrice]}};
fsIL = RandomFunction[procIL, {0, 90}, 5];

In[41]:= Mean[fsIL[90]]
Out[41]= 10 000.

In[42]:= Show[{
  ListLinePlot[fsIL, FillingStyle -> Axis]
}]

```





## Pricing with Position Value

In[43]:= preprocessPV =

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currentValue /. {lower → lowerBound, higher → upperBound, p → p[t]} /.
currentLiquidityParams;
```

In[44]:= preprocessPV

Out[44]=  $\{8249.71 (-40 + \sqrt{p[t]}) + 200.085 (10 \sqrt{17} - \sqrt{p[t]}) \sqrt{p[t]}\}$

In[45]:= procPV = TransformedProcess[preprocessPV, {p ≈

$\text{GeometricBrownianMotionProcess}[\frac{\text{ethMeanYearly}}{365}, \text{ethDailyVol}, \text{currentPrice}]$ ,

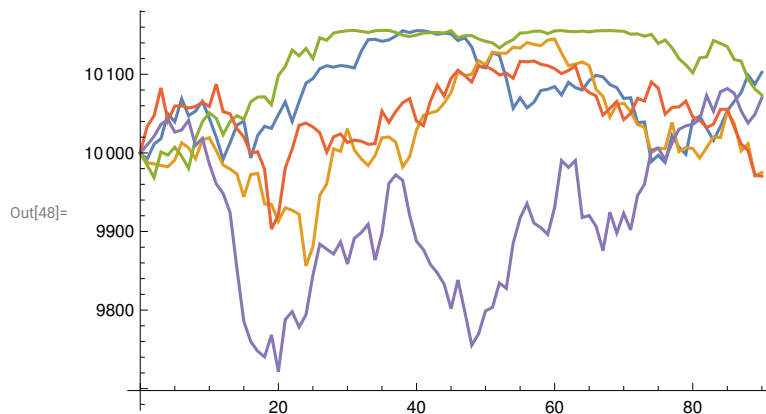
t];

fsPV = RandomFunction[procPV, {0, 90, 1}, 5];

In[47]:= Mean[fsPV[90]]

Out[47]= 10 038.3

In[48]:= ListLinePlot[fsPV, FillingStyle → Axis]



## Further Research

```
In[49]:= TableForm[{
  {"Impermanent Loss in Uniswap V3", Hyperlink[
    "https://lambert-guillaume.medium.com/an-analysis-of-the-expected-value-of-the-
    impermanent-loss-in-uniswap-bfbfebbefed2"]},
  {"Uniswap Liquidity V3 Math",
    Hyperlink["http://atiselsts.github.io/pdfs/uniswap-v3-liquidity-math.pdf"]}
}]
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## Perpetual Lending Stochastic Analysis

### Mean-Reverting Additional Value Term

TBD