Thibaut Montes

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RESEARCH PROJECTS

OPTIMAL QUANTIZATION

- New Weak Error bounds and expansions for Optimal Quantization (Paper Submitted: arXiv link).
- Introducing a Randomized Heston Model with pricing solutions: Hybrid quantization tree using Product Recursive Quantization (Paper in progress).
- Optimize existing methods in order to build optimal quantizers: Fixed Point Research Acceleration.

MULTILEVEL MONTE-CARLO

 Optimizing xVA's risk (counterparty risk) computation using Multilevel Monte-Carlo that allows us to kill the bias while reducing the variance of the estimator.

LINKS

Website://montest.github.io Github://montest LinkedIn://thibaut-montes-194a77a9

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

- Over 5000 lines: C++ <> LATEX
- Over 1000 lines: Scala \diamond Python \diamond Matlab
- Discovering: Kafka > MongoDB

LANGUAGES

- French: native
- English: fluent

INTERESTS

Running > Trails

EDUCATION

PHD CIFRE IN NUMERICAL PROBABILITY | LABORATOIRE DE PROBABILITÉS, STATISTIQUES ET MODÉLISATION (LPSM) | PIERRE ET MARIE CURIE UNIVERSITY (PARIS VI)

Mar 2017 - Mar 2020 (expected) | Paris, France

Under the direction of **Gilles Pagès** and **Vincent Lemaire** at the LPSM and the supervision of **Jean-Michel Fayolle** at the Independent Calculation Agent, a Fintech whose aim is to efficiently compute risk measures linked to counterparty default. My research subjects are Optimal Quantization, also known as K-means, and Multilevel Monte-Carlo methods.

RESEARCH MASTER IN PROBABILITY AND FINANCE (WITH HONORS) | PIERRE ET MARIE CURIE UNIVERSITY (PARIS VI) IN COLLABORATION WITH ECOLE POLYTECHNIQUE

Sep 2014 - Jun 2016 | Paris, France

- Numerical Probability (Monte-Carlo, Sensitivities Computation, . . .).
- Stochastic Algorithms (Stochastic Gradient Descent, ...).
- Stochastic Calculus and Control.
- Machine Learning.

BACHELOR DEGREE IN MATHEMATICS (WITH HONORS)

AIX-MARSEILLE UNIVERSITY

Sep 2011 - Jun 2014 | Paris, France

I spent the 2013-2014 academic year on exchange with the ERASMUS program in the Lund University's mathematics department, Lund, Sweden.

PROFFSSIONAL EXPERIENCE

QUANTITATIVE RESEARCHER | THE INDEPENDENT CALCULATION AGENT

From Nov 2016 | Paris, France

As PhD candidate in collaboration with The ICA, I worked on the following projects:

- Optimizing the ICA's analytic library using Optimal Quantization based methods (Pricing of Exotic Options in the interest rate world).
- Identifying and *killing* bias in the xVA computation using Multilevel Monte-Carlo methods.
- Implementing new regulatory risk measures in the library.

INTERN | THE INDEPENDENT CALCULATION AGENT

May 2016 - Oct 2016 | Paris, France

The goal of my internship was to optimize financial products price and risk measures sensitivities computations. I investigated both Malliavin calculus and finite differences methods and concluded the latter offered the best optimization.

INTERN | LPSM (FORMER LPMA), UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DAPHNÉ GIORGI AND VINCENT LEMAIRE

Jun 2015 - Jul 2015 | Paris, France

I explored short rate models (Vasicek Model) and their numerical simulation using trinomial trees. The results of the project can be accessed at the following link:

Trinomial Trees Simulation