

# Data-Driven Models for Discrete Hedging Problem: From One-Step to Multi-Steps Hedging

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- ▶ Geometric Brownian Motion:

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dZ$$

- ▶ Price of the option:  $V(S, t)$
- ▶ From Ito's Lemma:

$$dV = \left( \mu S \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} \right) dt + \sigma S \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} dZ$$

# Black-Scholes Partial Differential Equation



Set up a hedging portfolio

- ▶ A short position in an option  $-V$
- ▶ Long  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial S}$  shares of  $S$

$$\Pi = -V + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} S$$

Thus the random  $\Delta Z$  will be canceled:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \Pi &= -\Delta V + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \Delta S \\ &= -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}\right)\Delta t \\ &= r\Pi\Delta t = r(-V + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} S)\Delta t \text{ (No Arbitrage)}\end{aligned}$$

Black-Scholes Partial Differential Equation:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} + rS \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} - rV = 0$$

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# Set Up Self-Financing Portfolio



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Consider a portfolio  $P_t$  which is composed of:

- ▶ A short position on option  $V_t$
- ▶ Long  $\alpha_t$  (hedging position) shares of  $S_t$
- ▶ An amount in a risk-free bank account  $B_t$

The hedging portfolio is rebalanced at discrete times  $t_i$ . The hedging position is given by  $\alpha_{t_i}$ . Initially, we have

$$P_{t_0} = -V_{t_0} + \alpha_{t_0}S_{t_0} + B_{t_0} = 0$$

And

$$B_{t_0} = V_{t_0} - \alpha_{t_0}S_{t_0}$$

# Rebalance Self-Financing Portfolio



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At each rebalancing time  $t_i$ , we update our hedging position by change the share we hold from  $\alpha_{t_{i-1}}$  to  $\alpha_{t_i}$  at  $t_i$ , where any required cash is borrowed, and any excess cash is loaned. Assume  $\Delta t = t_i - t_{i-1}$  is fixed. The bank account is updated by:

$$B_{t_i} = e^{r\Delta t} B_{t_{i-1}} - S_{t_i}(\alpha_{t_i} - \alpha_{t_{i-1}})$$

# Hedging Objective



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Let  $t_i^+$  and  $t_i^-$  to be the time immediately after and immediately before  $t_i$ . Assume that the performance is measured at the  $t_N$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_N^-} &= e^{r\Delta t} B_{t_{N-1}} - V_{t_N} + S_{t_N} \alpha_{t_{N-1}} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \left[ e^{r(N-j-1)\Delta t} S_{t_{j+1}} - e^{r(N-j)\Delta t} S_{t_j} \right] \alpha_{t_i} \right\} \\ &\quad + e^{rN\Delta t} V_{t_0} - V_{t_N} \end{aligned}$$

If we always set  $\alpha = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}$  and let  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$  (we continuously rebalance the portfolio), then  $P_{t_N^-} = 0$ . In reality, we can only rebalance discretely and  $P_{t_N^-}$  can take positive (profit) and negative value (loss).

# Practitioner Black-Scholes (BS) Delta Hedging



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- ▶ BS model:

$$\frac{dS}{S} = rdt + \sigma dZ$$

$\sigma$  : Constant

- ▶ Implied volatility

$$\sigma_{imp} = V_{BS}^{-1}(V_{mkt}, \cdot)$$

$V_{mkt}$ : market option price

$V_{BS}^{-1}$  : inverse of BS pricing function

- ▶ Use BS Delta with implied volatility as hedging position:

$$\delta_{BS} = \frac{\partial V_{BS}}{\partial S}$$



# Problem with Black-Scholes Delta



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Problem with the traditional Black-Scholes delta:

- ▶ Market violates Black-Scholes assumption
- ▶ Dependence of implied volatility on underlying asset price

Variants of delta hedging strategy:

- ▶ Stochastic Volatility Model
- ▶ Local Volatility Model
- ▶ Minimum Variance Approach
- ▶ **Data-Driven Approach**

# Minimum Variance Approach



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The correction for the dependence of implied volatility on asset price:

- ▶ The Minimum Variance (MV) delta:

$$\delta_{MV} = \frac{\partial V_{BS}}{\partial S} + \frac{\partial V_{BS}}{\partial \sigma_{imp}} \frac{\partial \sigma_{imp}}{\partial S}$$

- ▶ A parametric model <sup>1</sup>learned from market data can be used to estimate  $\frac{\partial \sigma_{imp}}{\partial S}$
- ▶ Local volatility model and stochastic volatility model (e.g. SABR) can also be used to calculate the  $\frac{\partial \sigma_{imp}}{\partial S}$ .

<sup>1</sup>Hull, J. and White, A., "Optimal delta hedging for options." Journal of Banking and Finance 82 (2017): 180-190.

# Problem with Parametric Approach



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Parametric approaches:

- ▶ Model mis-specification.
- ▶ Sub-optimal for discrete hedging problems.

Data-driven approaches:

- ▶ Minimum assumptions on  $S$ .
- ▶ Model is determined by market data.

The indirect data-driven approach <sup>2</sup>has been proposed:

- ▶ Determine the data-driven pricing function  $V(X)$  using regression model.
- ▶ Compute  $\frac{\partial V(X)}{\partial S}$  as hedging position

<sup>3</sup>Hutchinson, J.M., Lo, A.W. and Poggio, T., "A nonparametric approach to pricing and hedging derivative securities via learning networks." The Journal of Finance 49.3 (1994): 851-889.

# Motivation of Direct Data-Driven Approach



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The indirect data-driven approach has the following problems:

- ▶ Unnecessary intermediate procedure.
- ▶ Sub-optimal for discrete hedging.
- ▶ Model parameters depend on the asset price.

Direct data-driven approach can be more useful in practice.

- ▶ Customized hedging position function.
- ▶ Directly learn the hedging position.

# Direct Data-Driven Local Hedging Approach



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The direct data-driven approach is

$$\min_f \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta V_i - \Delta S_i f(X_i))^2 \right]$$

- ▶  $\Delta V_i$ : the change of option value in data instance  $i$ .
- ▶  $\Delta S_i$ : the change of asset price in data instance  $i$ .
- ▶  $f(X_i)$ : option hedging position function.
- ▶ Data-driven models outperform other delta hedging strategies<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>3</sup>Nian, Ke, Thomas F. Coleman, and Yuying Li. "Learning minimum variance discrete hedging directly from the market." Quantitative Finance (2018): 1-14.

# Understanding the Local Hedging Objective



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Recall the hedging portfolio value at  $t_N$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_N}^- &= e^{r\Delta t} B_{t_{N-1}} - V_{t_N} + S_{t_N} \alpha_{t_{N-1}} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \left[ e^{r(N-j-1)\Delta t} S_{t_{j+1}} - e^{r(N-j)\Delta t} S_{t_j} \right] \alpha_{t_j} \right\} \\ &\quad + e^{rN\Delta t} V_{t_0} - V_{t_N} \end{aligned}$$

Assume  $r = 0$  and we evaluate performance at  $t_1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_1}^- &= (S_{t_1} - S_{t_0}) \alpha_{t_0} - (V_{t_1} - V_{t_0}) \\ &= \Delta S \alpha_{t_0} - \Delta V \end{aligned}$$

Local hedging objective corresponds to one-step hedging.

# Volatility Clustering and Financial Time Series



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Sequential learning framework may further improve the performance:

- ▶ Volatility clustering observed in the financial market.
- ▶ Autocorrelation between data instances near in time.
- ▶ Dependence of option pricing function on the past history of the underlying has been shown in GARCH models <sup>4</sup>.

<sup>5</sup>Heston, Steven L., and Saikat Nandi "A closed-form GARCH option valuation model." The review of financial studies 13.3 (2000): 585-625.

# Encoder-Decoder Model



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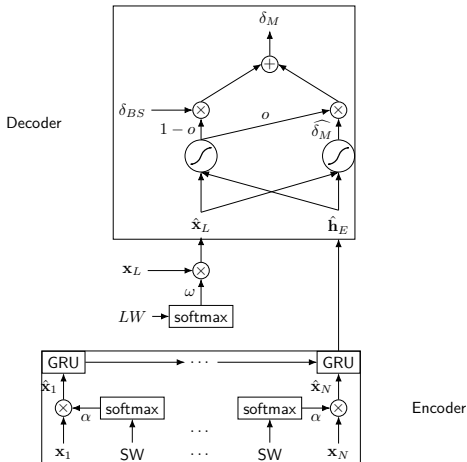
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# Evaluation Criteria: Local Risk



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The percentage increase in the effectiveness over the BS hedging:

$$Gain = 1 - \frac{SSE[\Delta V_i - \Delta S_i \delta^i]}{SSE[\Delta V_i - \Delta S_i \delta_{BS}^i]}$$

- ▶ SSE: sum of squared errors
- ▶  $\delta$ : hedging position computed from different models
- ▶  $\delta_{BS}$ : BS delta

# Experimental Setting



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- ▶ Data: S&P 500 index option from Jan 2007 to Aug 2015
- ▶ The models to be compared:
  - ▶  $DKL_{SPL}$ : Direct data-driven kernel learning model.
  - ▶ MV: Minimum variance hedging formula.
  - ▶ LVF: Local volatility function model.
  - ▶ SABR: SABR stochastic volatility model.
  - ▶ DRNN: The proposed encoder-decoder model

# Call Option Daily Hedging



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Delta	MV (%)	SABR(%)	LVF(%)	Data-Driven Model			
				DKL <sub>SPL</sub> (%)		DRNN (%)	
				Traded	All	Traded	All
0.1	42.1	39.4	42.6	47.1	48.6	32.3	33.8
0.2	35.8	33.4	36.2	37.8	40.0	33.7	36.4
0.3	31.1	29.4	30.3	34.1	35.1	34.1	<b>35.5</b>
0.4	28.5	26.3	26.7	32.3	32.0	<b>33.7</b>	<b>34.2</b>
0.5	27.1	24.9	25.5	29.3	29.4	<b>35.1</b>	<b>33.0</b>
0.6	25.7	25.2	25.2	29.9	28.4	<b>35.6</b>	<b>32.1</b>
0.7	25.4	24.7	25.8	29.0	26.8	<b>31.8</b>	<b>29.7</b>
0.8	24.1	23.5	25.4	25.9	24.7	<b>28.6</b>	<b>26.5</b>
0.9	16.6	17.0	16.9	17.7	13.9	<b>19.3</b>	<b>18.9</b>
Overall	25.7	24.6	25.5	31.3	26.0	<b>32.9</b>	<b>28.7</b>

- Performance will be slightly better than DKL<sub>SPL</sub>.

# Call Option Weekly Hedging and Monthly Hedging



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Delta	Data-Driven Model			
	DKL <sub>SPL</sub> (%)		DRNN(%)	
	Traded	All	Traded	All
0.1	38.9	38.3	<b>47.8</b>	<b>45.6</b>
0.2	29.0	26.9	<b>48.5</b>	<b>46.0</b>
0.3	23.5	25.3	<b>48.5</b>	<b>46.6</b>
0.4	20.8	24.3	<b>45.9</b>	<b>45.4</b>
0.5	19.9	22.8	<b>46.6</b>	<b>45.0</b>
0.6	17.3	19.5	<b>44.8</b>	<b>43.1</b>
0.7	16.8	17.7	<b>43.9</b>	<b>42.4</b>
0.8	12.5	12.3	<b>37.7</b>	<b>39.0</b>
0.9	6.2	5.1	<b>16.4</b>	<b>29.1</b>
Overall	20.2	17.1	<b>43.7</b>	<b>40.5</b>

Delta	Data-Driven Model			
	DKL <sub>SPL</sub> (%)		DRNN (%)	
	Traded	All	Traded	All
0.1	22.7	24.8	<b>53.9</b>	<b>39.4</b>
0.2	23.5	25.5	<b>51.7</b>	<b>48.3</b>
0.3	24.0	24.6	<b>50.2</b>	<b>49.1</b>
0.4	21.0	20.7	<b>47.8</b>	<b>48.3</b>
0.5	13.5	12.7	<b>44.5</b>	<b>47.6</b>
0.6	14.3	13.5	<b>44.6</b>	<b>47.4</b>
0.7	6.1	7.0	<b>35.3</b>	<b>42.9</b>
0.8	5.3	4.1	<b>24.8</b>	<b>34.1</b>
0.9	4.1	2.3	<b>10.5</b>	<b>19.9</b>
Overall	16.3	12.5	<b>44.5</b>	<b>42.3</b>

Table: Weekly(Left) and Monthly(Right)

- Performance will be significantly better than DKL<sub>SPL</sub>.

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In practice, multi-steps hedging is more common. Particularly, the traders usually would like to hedge to the expiry of the option. In other words,  $t_N = T$  and  $V_{t_N} = \text{payoff}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_N}^- &= e^{r\Delta t} B_{t_{N-1}} - V_{t_N} + S_{t_N} \alpha_{t_{N-1}} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \left[ e^{r(N-j-1)\Delta t} S_{t_{j+1}} - e^{r(N-j)\Delta t} S_{t_j} \right] \alpha_{t_j} \right\} \\ &\quad + e^{rN\Delta t} V_{t_0} - V_{t_N} \end{aligned}$$

# Total Hedging Objective



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Assume we have  $M$  samples of sequences. Each sequence is of length  $N$ . Let the hedging position given by a function  $\delta_t = f(X_t, y_t)$ . The objective of optimizing  $f$  is:

$$\min_f \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{i=1}^M (P_{t_N^-}^i)^2$$

Where  $P_{t_N^-}^i$  is the portfolio at  $t_N^-$  of sample  $i$ :

$$P_{t_N^-}^i = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \left[ e^{r(N-j-1)\Delta t} S_{t_{j+1}}^i - e^{r(N-j)\Delta t} S_{t_j}^i \right] f(\mathbf{X}_{t_j}^i, \mathbf{y}_{t_j}^i) \right\} + e^{rN\Delta t} V_{t_0}^i - V_{t_N}^i$$

# Creating Training Samples and Testing Samples



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The training and testing sample can be generated by simulation:

- ▶ Black-Scholes Model:
  - ▶ Analytical delta.
  - ▶ Analytical optimal total hedging position.<sup>6</sup>
  - ▶ Total hedging position based on spline function.<sup>6</sup>
- ▶ Heston Model:
  - ▶ Analytical delta.

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<sup>6</sup>Thomas F Coleman, Yuying Li, and Maria-Cristina Patron. " Total risk minimization using monte carlo simulations". Handbooks in Operations Research and Management Science, 15:593–635, 2007.

# Evaluation Criteria



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The evaluation criteria are:

- ▶ Total risk: Average of the absolute value of the final portfolio value:

$$e^{-rN\Delta t} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M |P_{t_N^-}^i|}{M}$$

- ▶ Total cost: Average of the total cost in rebalancing the portfolio:

$$e^{-rN\Delta t} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M (e^{rN\Delta t} V_{t_0}^i - P_{t_N^-}^i)}{M}$$



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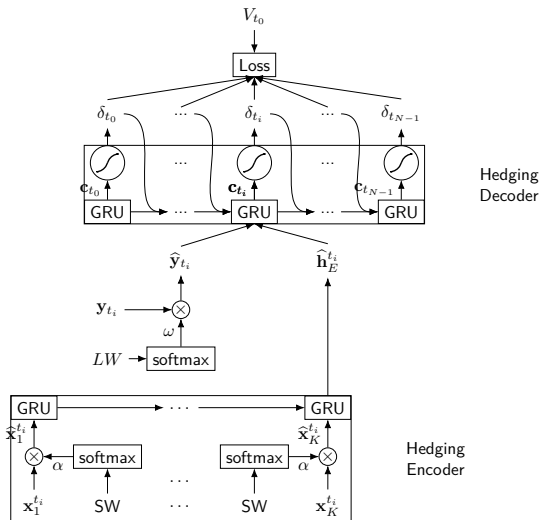


Figure: Model For Synthetic Experiments

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# Synthetic Case: Black-Scholes Model



We have 600 time steps with  $\Delta t = 1/600$ . We can hedge every 25,50,100,300 time steps.  $S = K = 100$

method	bi-weekly	monthly	quarterly	semi-annually
GRU	0.8376	1.1426	1.6896	2.8038
Spline	0.8563	1.1789	1.6518	2.7843
Analytical	0.8295	1.1636	1.6479	2.7914
BS	0.9481	1.3385	1.9128	3.4582

Table: Total Risk

method	bi-weekly	monthly	quarterly	semi-annually
GRU	5.9682	5.8370	5.8549	5.1759
Spline	5.9118	5.8445	5.7119	5.2530
Analytical	5.9413	5.8773	5.7399	5.2565
BS	6.0483	6.0897	6.1734	6.5382

Table: Total Cost

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The parameter for heston model:  $r = 0.02$ ,  $\bar{v} = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 1.15$ ,  $\eta = 0.39$ ,  $S = 100$ ,  $K = 100$ ,  $v = 0.04$ ,  $\rho = -0.64$ ,  $\tau = 1$ .

method	bi-weekly	monthly	quarterly	semi-annually
GRU	1.9907	2.2183	2.5345	3.5552
Heston	2.6228	2.8492	3.2501	4.1049

Table: Total Risk (Heston Model)

method	bi-weekly	monthly	quarterly	semi-annually
GRU	8.3632	8.3601	8.3387	8.3941
Heston	8.3770	8.3676	8.3894	8.3897

Table: Total Cost (Heston Model)

# Challenges of Obtaining Real Data



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1. Only one single path for underlying asset
  - ▶ Extract segments from the path.
2. Options with specific  $K$  and expiry are not traded every day.
  - ▶ Use a calibrated price surface to fill the missing data.
3. Options in real market only have fixed expiry dates:
  - ▶ Use a calibrated price for option with expiries not seen on market.

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# Call-Put Parity



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We can also use the Call-Put parity to increase the number price observed from market:

$$C - P = S - DK$$

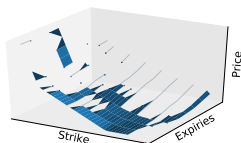
where  $C$  is the (current) value of a call,  $P$  is the (current) value of a put,  $D$  is the discount factor, and  $K$  is the strike price.

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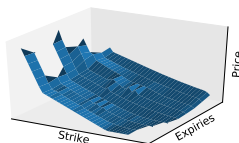
# Volatility Interpolation Illustration



The purpose of volatility Interpolation<sup>5</sup> is to create a price surface that can be used to obtain option price unobserved from market:



(a) Before



(b) After

**Figure:** Illustration of Constructing a Price Surface

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# Dupire's forward equation



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- ▶ The forward price of a call option for delivery at time  $T$ :  $C(T, K)$
- ▶ The spot price at  $t$  is:  $C(T, K)e^{-\int_t^T r(s)ds}$ .
- ▶ It can be shown that :

$$\frac{\partial C(T, K)}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(T, K)K^2\frac{\partial^2 C(T, K)}{\partial K^2}$$

# Model Calibration



We can write finite difference discretization of the Dupure forward equation as:

$$M \begin{bmatrix} C(T_i, K_0) \\ C(T_i, K_1) \\ C(T_i, K_2) \\ \vdots \\ C(T_i, K_{n-1}) \\ C(T_i, K_n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C(T_{i+1}, K_0) \\ C(T_{i+1}, K_1) \\ C(T_{i+1}, K_2) \\ \vdots \\ C(T_{i+1}, K_{n-1}) \\ C(T_{i+1}, K_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

We try to find  $M$  that so that  $C(T_{i+1}, K_j) = C_{mkt}(T_{i+1}, K_j)$ .  
This can be done by:

$$\inf_{\sigma(T_i, \cdot)} \sum_j \left( \frac{C(T_{i+1}, K_j) - C_{mkt}(T_{i+1}, K_j)}{Vega_{bs}^{mkt}(T_{i+1}, K_j)} \right)^2$$

Note that, for each  $T_i$ , we solve a separate optimization.

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# Interpolation Over the Domain of Expiries



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After optimization, the local volatility functions are translated into arbitrage-consistent prices for a discrete set of expiries but it does not directly specify the option prices between the expiries. We can fill in the gaps by:

$$\frac{C(T, K) - C(T_i, K)}{T - T_i} = \frac{1}{2} \sigma(T_i, K)^2 K^2 \frac{\partial^2 C(T_{i+1}, K)}{\partial K^2}, T \in [T_i, T_{i+1}]$$

# Benefits of Interpolation Based On Local Vol Model



Interpolation based on the above procedure can guarantee the option price given by interpolation is arbitrage-free:

1. No call spread arbitrage:

$$\frac{\partial C(T, K)}{\partial K} \leq 0$$

2. No butterfly spread arbitrage:

$$\frac{\partial^2 C(T, K)}{\partial K^2} \geq 0$$

3. No calendar spread arbitrage:

$$\frac{\partial C(T, K)}{\partial T} \geq 0$$

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# Total Hedging Model for Real Data Case



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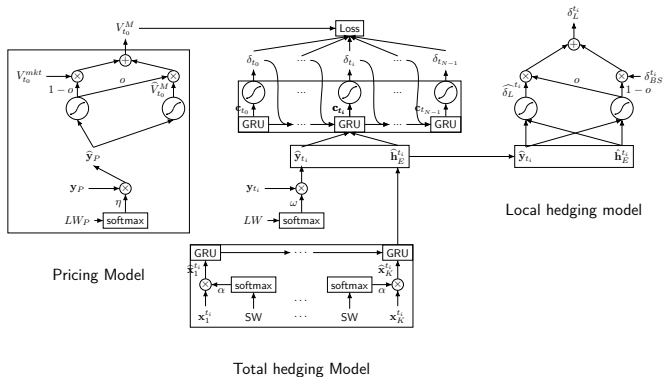


Figure: Refined Model For Real Cases

# Primitive Experimental Setting



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- ▶ Testing period is from 2007 and 2014 for SP500 index option.
- ▶ Scenario: weekly hedging for two months.
- ▶ All data in previous years is used as training.
- ▶ Model are updated yearly.
- ▶ Early stopping is used as regulation
- ▶ Performance is evaluated with **relative** hedging error.

$$rel_{err} = \frac{P_{t_N}^i}{V_{t_0}}$$

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# Value-At-Risk of **Relative** Hedging Error



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method	Total	Local	BS
2007	<b>-0.8622</b>	-1.044	-2.3724
2008	<b>-1.1430</b>	-1.0782	-4.9241
2009	<b>-0.4563</b>	-1.3607	-2.3771
2010	<b>-0.4509</b>	-0.6817	-1.7911
2011	<b>-0.7062</b>	-0.9049	-1.9094
2012	<b>-0.3866</b>	-1.7635	-2.6473
2013	<b>-0.4635</b>	-2.7910	-4.2887
2014	<b>-1.5424</b>	-2.0567	-3.1884

**Table:** Value-At-Risk

# Expected Shortfall of **Relative** Hedging Error



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method	Total	Local	BS
2007	<b>-1.1568</b>	-1.8545	-5.4942
2008	<b>-2.0683</b>	-4.9241	-7.3248
2009	<b>-0.6443</b>	-2.3772	-5.0323
2010	<b>-0.6207</b>	-1.1806	-3.6964
2011	<b>-1.1439</b>	-1.9460	-3.2358
2012	<b>-0.5497</b>	-3.2662	-4.7711
2013	<b>-0.6460</b>	-4.3091	-6.6587
2014	<b>-1.9005</b>	-3.4671	-5.2354

**Table:** Expected Shortfall

# Mean Absolute **Relative** Hedging Error



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method	Total	Local	BS
2007	<b>0.3769</b>	0.7357	1.3396
2008	<b>0.5034</b>	0.6852	0.9068
2009	<b>0.3041</b>	0.6597	0.5092
2010	<b>0.3412</b>	0.5837	1.1331
2011	<b>0.3507</b>	0.4611	0.8513
2012	<b>0.2726</b>	0.5858	0.8084
2013	<b>0.3055</b>	0.8961	0.9710
2014	<b>0.5876</b>	0.9509	1.6091

**Table:** Mean Absolute **Relative** Hedging Error

# Standard Deviation of **Relative** Hedging Error



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2007	<b>0.4977</b>	2.2085	3.2548
2008	<b>0.7645</b>	2.4953	3.7674
2009	<b>0.3785</b>	1.3938	2.6829
2010	<b>0.4770</b>	1.1388	1.3975
2011	<b>0.4787</b>	0.7269	1.1465
2012	<b>0.3339</b>	0.9633	1.5448
2013	<b>0.3717</b>	1.4185	2.6968
2014	<b>0.8899</b>	2.2879	5.3217

**Table:** Standard Deviation





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*Thank you very much!*  
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