chapter-3-1

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1 NN Heston Model - Parameters Generation

1.1 Introduction

Pricing in mathematical finance is building a complex function from a model following some constraint. Since models are just a rough description of markets, we accept the fact that each day we do 'calibrate' models in order to match as much as possible what we see on the market. The complexity of the calibration procedure depends on the complexity of the underlying model deemed capable to describe the market situation. Most of the effort in applying neural networks to pricing has gone into the direction of devising clever shortcuts to the calibration mechanism.

We want to bypass this phase exploting the fact that pricing with a calibrated model amounts to the composition of two functions: one from market data to model parameters, the second from model parameters to market data. This approach is in itself not new. Some authors have attempted the path of walking directly from market data to prices, leaving the model aside. In doing that they needed to train a network directly on market values. This approach required verylong time series and was able to train the netowrk only on quoted vanilla option.

In our approch, the assumption that the model, properly calibrated, is capable to describe the market with enough accuracy, is an essential element.

Given that we have outlined these concepts we can simply states the main goals of out work:

- dispose of the burden of having to calibrate models
- remove the need for ridiculously long time series of market data and option prices

get rid of all of the computational bottlenecks when going from market to prices.

At this point, some of these goals need further explanation. That will come in due time. Let's start looking at a very simple example. For instance, if we resort to the Black-Scholes model:

$$dS_t = S_t \sigma dW_t$$

for a claim written on a single asset, all we have to do is to select the appropriate value for the volatility. And this is all is needed in terms of model calibration. If we are dealing with claims written on several assets, besides the volatility for each individual asset we have to decide on the correlations.

$$dS_t^i = S_t^i \sigma^i dW_t^i$$

$$\mathbb{E}[dW_t^i dW_t^j] = \rho_{ij} dt$$

Things get a lot more involved if we use more advanced models like stochastic volatility models. For example, if we adopt the Heston model:

$$dS_t = S_t \sqrt{\nu_t} dW_t$$

$$d\nu_t = k(\theta - \nu_t) dt + \eta \sqrt{\nu_t} dY_t, \quad \nu_0 = \overline{\nu}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[dW_t dY_t] = \rho dt$$

we have to calibrate the four parameters of the process of the stochastic volatility (k, θ, ν_0, η) and the correlation term (ρ) between the innovation processes.

Still more complex is the situation if we want to tackle some IR product. In that case, even using a very simple model like the one factro Hull-White model:

$$dr(t) = k(\theta(t) - r(t))dt + \sigma dW_t, \quad r(0) = r_0 \tag{1}$$

besides parameters (k, r_o, σ) we are asked to calibrate a whole curve $\theta(t)$ needed to match today's observed discount curve.

1.2 Standard approach to ML

Let's call $\Pi(\vec{\alpha}, G(\vec{g}))$ the function pricing a position G with a model described collectively by the parameters $\vec{\alpha}$, and the position described by the parameters \vec{g} . To be clear, in case of an option \vec{g} could be the pair maturity and strike.

A standard ML exercise would call for

- generating, according to some random rule, a set of parameters $\vec{\alpha}_n$, \vec{g}_n $1 \le n \le N$,
- for each $\vec{\alpha}_n \vec{g}_n$ compute the function pricing a derivative G with a model described by the parameter set $\vec{\alpha}_n$. We define the total parameter set as $\Pi_n := \Pi(\vec{\alpha}_n, G(\vec{g}_n))$

Iterating the procedure described above, we can build a large matrix Features (Regressors)

and use it to train a neural network that, if all goes well, will learn the map

$$\phi_{NN}: \vec{\alpha}, \vec{g} \to \Pi(\vec{\alpha}, G).$$
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1.3 Generating Dataset

1.3.1 Python support functions

Fonts Definition for Plotting Functions

```
In [54]: SMALL_SIZE = 8
    MEDIUM_SIZE = 10
    BIG_SIZE = 12
    BIGGER_SIZE = 14

    plt.rc('font', size=SMALL_SIZE)  # controls default text sizes
    plt.rc('axes', titlesize=BIG_SIZE)  # fontsize of the axes title
    plt.rc('axes', labelsize=MEDIUM_SIZE)  # fontsize of the x and y labels
    plt.rc('xtick', labelsize=SMALL_SIZE)  # fontsize of the tick labels
    plt.rc('ytick', labelsize=SMALL_SIZE)  # fontsize of the tick labels
    plt.rc('legend', fontsize=SMALL_SIZE)  # legend fontsize
    plt.rc('figure', titlesize=BIGGER_SIZE)  # fontsize of the figure title
```

Plotting Functions

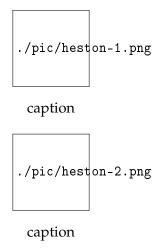
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In [55]: def histo_dict(df, TAG = '0000'):
             keys = list(df.keys())
             LEN = len(keys)
             fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,LEN, figsize=(12,6))
             for n in range(LEN):
                 k
                      = kevs[n]
                      = df[k]
                 lo = np.min(x)
                    = np.max(x)
                 bins = np.arange(lo, hi, (hi-lo)/100.)
                 ax[n].hist(x, density=True, facecolor='g', bins=bins)
                 ax[n].set_title("%s (len=%d)" %(k,len(x)))
                 n += 1
             #plt.savefig("pdf_%s.png" %TAG, format="png")
             plt.savefig("param_pdf.png", format="png")
             plt.show()
In [56]: def histo_params( x, title = "None"):
             keys = list(x)
             LEN = len(keys)
             fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,LEN, figsize=(12,4))
             if not title == None: fig.suptitle(title)
             for n in range(LEN):
                 tag = keys[n]
                 lo = np.min(x[tag])
                 hi = np.max(x[tag])
                 bins = np.arange(lo, hi, (hi-lo)/100.)
```

```
ax[n].hist(x[tag], density=True, facecolor='g', bins=bins)
ax[n].set_title(tag)
n += 1
plt.subplots_adjust(left=.05, right=.95, bottom=.10, top=.80, wspace=.50)
plt.show()
```

Pricing Functions This is the pricing function for the Heston Model we use in this example. The Heston class and the ft_opt function are defined in the Lib module. For a complete description of the Heston model refer to the Computational Finance Lecture Notes of Pietro Rossi.

Make same simple pricing example...

```
In [58]: '''
         Model Parameters
         Heston parameters:
             kappa = volatility mean reversion speed parameter
             theta = volatility mean reversion level parameter
                   = correlation between two Brownian motions
             sigma = volatility of variance
                    = initial variance
            v0
        kappa = 1.325
         theta = 0.089
        sigma = 0.231
        rho
               = -0.9
         vΟ
               = 0.153
        r
               = 0.01
               = 0.00
        q
        St
               = 1.0
               = 1.10
               = 0.25
         # the put price
         HestonP = St * HestonPut(St, K, T, kappa, theta, sigma, v0, rho, r, 30)
```



Latin Hypercube Sampling Function Before explaining the details of the creation of the synthetic dataset, we will describe a statistical method for generating uniform random variables that are not independent. As we will see, variables drawn using this method are more spread out than independent uniform variables. Assume without loss of generality that we wish to draw N random variables in $[0;1]^d$. The latin hypercube sampling ([McKay, 1992]) proceeds in this way:

To get the general case we can just apply a translation followed by a scaling transformation to each sample. An example of the application of LHS can be seen in the next figure

Comparison between LHS and uniform 2d sampling of 10 points. Notice how for every column and every row, there is only one point in the LHS sample

```
In [60]: def lhs_sampling(rand, NUM, bounds=None):

    mInt = (1 << 15)
    MInt = (1 << 16)
    kw = list(bounds)

# builds the array of bounds
    limits = np.empty( shape=(0,2) )
    for k in kw: limits = np.concatenate((limits, [bounds[k]]), axis=0)

sampling = LHS(xlimits=limits, random_state=rand.randint(mInt,MInt))
    x = sampling(NUM)</pre>
```

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X = pd.DataFrame()
for n in range(len(kw)):
    tag = kw[n]
    X[tag] = x[:,n]

y = np.where( 2*X["k"]*X["theta"] < np.power( X["sigma"], 2), 1, 0)
p = (100.*np.sum(y))/NUM
print("@ %-34s: %s = %6d out of %6d ( %.7f %s)" %("Info", "Feller violations", np.s
return X</pre>
```

Function for parameters generation

```
In [61]: def parms_gen( lhs = None, Xc=10, strikes=None):
            if lhs is None: raise Exception("No data to process")
            x = lhs
            NUM = len(x["T"])
            X = pd.DataFrame()
            for tag in list(x):
                X[tag] = np.full(NUM,0.0, dtype = np.double)
            X["Price"] = np.full(NUM,0.0, dtype = np.double)
            __tStart = time.perf_counter()
            pCount = 0
            cCount = 0
               = 0
            for m in range(NUM):
                Fw
                      = 1.0
                      = x["Strike"][m]
                fwPut = HestonPut( St
                                       = Fw
                                 , Strike = K
                                 , T = x["T"][m]
                                 , kappa = x["k"][m]
                                 , theta = x["theta"][m]
                                 , sigma = x["sigma"][m]
                                 , v0
                                          = x["vO"][m]
                                         = 0
                                 , r
                                 , rho = x["rho"][m]
                                 , Xc
                                         = Xc)
                if fwPut < max(K-Fw,0.):
                    pCount += 1
```

1.3.2 Generates and displays random parameters

continue

Constant Definition

```
In [62]:
           verbose = False
           outputPrfx = "full"
           testPrfx = "test"
           targetPrfx = "trgt"
           EPS
                       = 0.01
           XC
                       = 10.0
           # bounds for the random generation of model parameters
           # and contract parameters
           bounds = \{ "k" : 
                           [ .01 , 1.00]
                   , "theta": [ .01 , .80]
                   , "sigma": [ .01 , 1.00]
                   , "v0":
                             [ .01 , .80]
                   , "rho":
                              [-.99 , 0.00]
                   , "T": [ 1./12., 2.00]
                   , "Strike": [ .6 , 1.40]
           NUM
                 = 100000
           mInt = (1 << 15)
           MInt = (1 << 16)
           rand = np.random.RandomState(Seed)
```

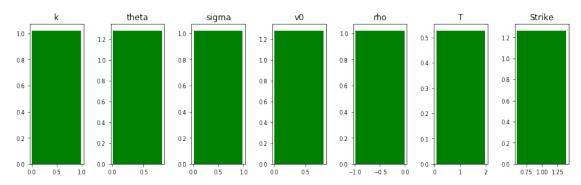
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# strikes used to build the smile used as a regressor
strikes = np.arange(.8, 1.2, .025)

In [63]:

__tStart = time.perf_counter()
xDF = lhs_sampling(rand, NUM, bounds = bounds)
__tEnd = time.perf_counter()
print("0 %-34s: elapsed %.4f sec" %("LHS", __tEnd - __tStart) )

# Let's check the distribution of the parameters we have generated histo_params( xDF, title = "Random parameters density functions")
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Random parameters density functions



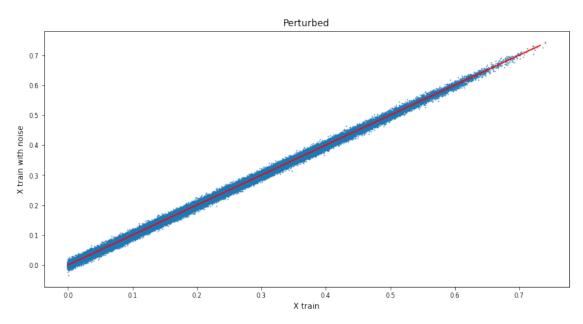
Generate random DB

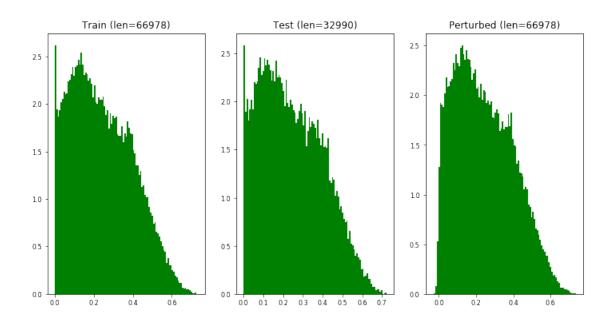
```
In [64]:
             # Generate training/test set
             __tStart = time.perf_counter()
             df = parms_gen( lhs = xDF, Xc=XC, strikes = strikes)
             __tEnd = time.perf_counter()
             print("@ %-34s: elapsed %.4f sec" %("GEN", __tEnd - __tStart) )
@ Seq. pricing
                                    : elapsed 738.5374 sec
@ Info
                                    : Violations Put=32, Call=0 DB=99968 out of 100000
@ GEN
                                    : elapsed 738.5880 sec
In [65]: df.head(10)
Out[65]:
                         theta
                                   sigma
                                                vΟ
                                                         rho
                                                                          Strike \
         0 0.582908 0.583583 0.373167 0.516915 -0.970304 1.256745 0.923284
```

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3 \quad 0.643486 \quad 0.084604 \quad 0.136309 \quad 0.505302 \quad -0.274690 \quad 1.251839 \quad 0.921788
                       4 0.694362 0.249374 0.564682 0.772275 -0.187729 1.636092 0.887876
                       5 0.303223 0.158998 0.753198 0.406268 -0.087679 0.604235 1.096652
                        6 \quad 0.721637 \quad 0.278406 \quad 0.236576 \quad 0.390247 \quad -0.811191 \quad 0.855779 \quad 0.803540 
                       7 0.496986 0.136317 0.867226 0.436327 -0.958365 1.950080 1.062892
                       8\quad 0.432537\quad 0.017438\quad 0.216519\quad 0.175533\quad -0.703677\quad 1.948892\quad 1.320964
                       9 0.591481 0.734197 0.556445 0.366618 -0.371790 1.950406 1.273612
                                       Price
                       0 0.257695
                       1 0.390239
                       2 0.003841
                       3 0.218513
                       4 0.282851
                       5 0.243603
                       6 0.114664
                       7 0.267544
                       8 0.397159
                       9 0.557915
       Select a random subset as a challenge set
In [66]: X_train, X_test = train_test_split(df, test_size=0.33, random_state=rand.randint(mInt, MInt, M
       Add some noise to the training set
In [67]: # Add some noise to the training set
                       if EPS > 0.0:
                                  X_{train_n} = X_{train.copy()}
                                  x1 = np.min(X_train["Price"])
                                  xh = np.max(X_train["Price"])
                                  xi = rand.normal( loc = 0.0, scale = EPS*(xh-xl), size=X_train.shape[0])
                                  X_train_n["Price"] += xi
                       else: X_train_n = X_train
        Display the amount of noise
In [68]: import warnings
                       warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
                       # Check the dispersion
                       if EPS > 0.0:
                                  xMin = 0.0
                                  xMax = max(X_train["Price"])
                                  v = np.arange(xMin, xMax, (xMax - xMin)/100.)
```

1 0.577928 0.495459 0.936467 0.345975 -0.447386 0.280740 1.367844 2 0.362237 0.592558 0.667256 0.320355 -0.248208 0.140364 0.689468

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1, figsize=(12,6))
    ax.plot( X_train["Price"], X_train_n["Price"], ".", markersize=1)
    ax.plot( v, v, color="red")
    ax.set_title("Perturbed")
    ax.set_xlabel("X train")
    ax.set_ylabel("X train with noise")
    #figName = "scatter_%s.png" %(TAG)
    figName = "scatter_noise.png"
    plt.savefig(figName, format="png")
    plt.show()
    histo_dict( {"Train"
                            : np.array(X_train["Price"]),
                            : np.array(X_test["Price"]),
                 "Perturbed": np.array(X_train_n["Price"]) }, TAG=TAG)
else:
    histo_dict( {"Train": np.array(X_train["Price"]), "Test": np.array(X_test["Price"])
```





remove the target from the test set

```
In [69]: Y = pd.DataFrame({"Price": X_test["Price"]})
X_test = X_test.drop(columns="Price")
```

1.3.3 Saving dataset to disk

write training set to disk

write challenge set to disk

write target to disk