

# Stochastic Black-Scholes Equation under Rough Volatility

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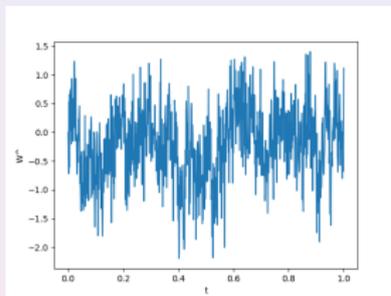
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- Denote by  $W$  a standard Brownian motion (Wiener process).
- Denote by  $\widehat{W}$  a fractional Brownian motion (fBm) of Riemann-Liouville type with Hurst index  $0 < H < 1$ , i.e.,

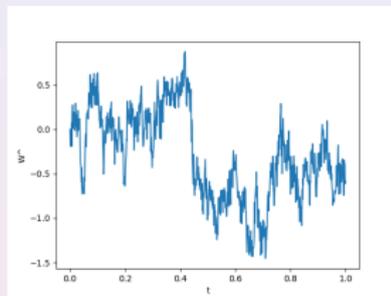
$$\widehat{W}_t := \int_0^t \mathcal{K}(t-s) dW_s, \quad \mathcal{K}(r) := \sqrt{2H} r^{H-1/2}, \quad r > 0. \quad (1)$$

- When  $H = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $W = \widehat{W}$ .

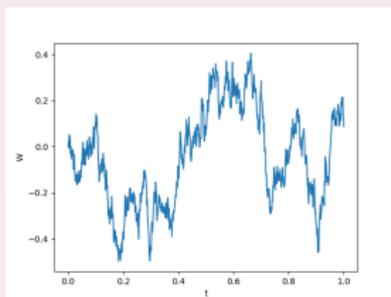
# Roughness of the paths



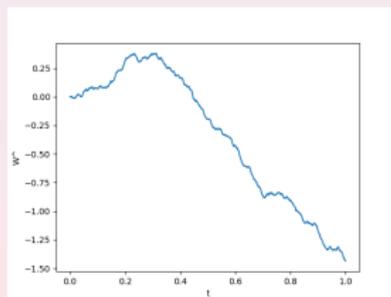
$H=0.1$



$H=0.3$



$H=0.5$



$H=0.8$

Figure: Rough paths are  $(H - \varepsilon)$ -Hölder continuous, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

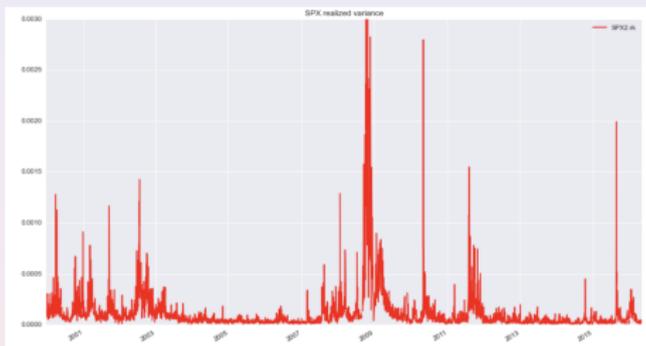
- Consider a general stochastic volatility model given under a risk neutral probability measure as

$$\begin{cases} dS_t = rS_t dt + S_t \sqrt{V_t} \left( \rho dW_t + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} dB_t \right); \\ S_0 = s_0, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $\rho \in [-1, 1]$  denotes the correlation coefficient and the constant  $r$  the interest rate.

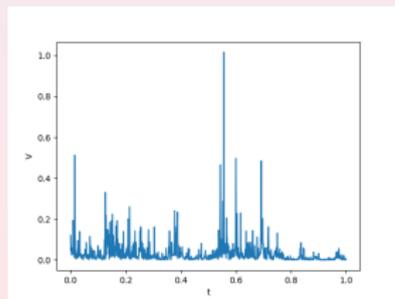
- $(V_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is the *volatility* process. It was set to be constant in classical Black-Scholes models. Later, it was modelled via stochastic differential equations. But, .....

# Compare the roughness (intuitively)

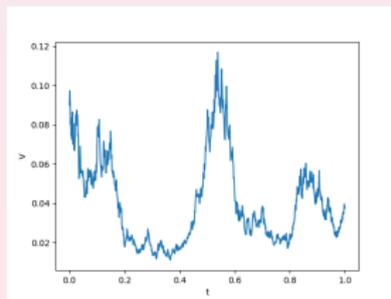


Oxford-Man KRV estimates of SPX realized variance from January 2000 to year 2018 (by J. Gatheral et al.)

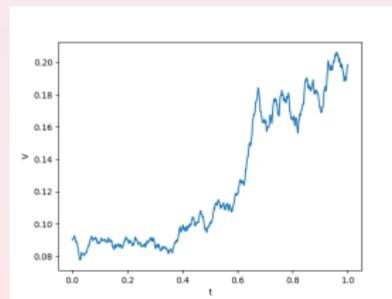
[https://tpq.io/p/rough\\_volatility\\_with\\_python.html](https://tpq.io/p/rough_volatility_with_python.html)



A:  $H=0.12$



B:  $H \approx 0.5$



C:  $H=0.8$

*To mention but a few,*

- Alòs, León, & Vives, 2007;
- Bayer, Friz, & Gatheral, 2016;
- Forde & Zhang, 2017;
- Fukasawa, 2011, 2017;
- Gatheral, Jaisson, & Rosenbaum, 2018;
- El Euch, Fukasawa, & Rosenbaum, 2018;
- ...

For the rough volatility literature, you may refer to

<https://sites.google.com/site/roughvol/home>

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where  $\rho \in [-1, 1]$  denotes the correlation coefficient and the constant  $r$  the interest rate.

### Rough Bergomi model (Bayer-Friz-Gatheral-2016)

The stochastic variance is given as

$$V_t = \xi_t \mathcal{E} \left( \eta \widehat{W}_t \right), \quad (4)$$

where  $\xi_t$  denotes the *forward variance curve* (a quantity which can be computed from the implied volatility surface),  $\mathcal{E}$  denotes the *Wick exponential*, i.e.,

$\mathcal{E}(Z) := \exp \left( Z - \frac{1}{2} \text{var } Z \right)$  for a zero-mean normal random variable  $Z$ , and  $\eta \geq 0$ .

Finally,  $\widehat{W}$  denotes a fractional Brownian motion (fBm) of Riemann-Liouville type with Hurst index  $0 < H < \frac{1}{2}$ , i.e.,

$$\widehat{W}_t := \int_0^t \mathcal{K}(t-s) dW_s, \quad \mathcal{K}(r) := \sqrt{2H} r^{H-1/2}, \quad r > 0. \quad (5)$$

- The process  $V$  (or even  $(S, V)$ ) may not be a Markov process or a semi-martingale.

## Rough Heston model (Euch-Rosenbaum-2019)

The stochastic variance satisfies the stochastic Volterra equation

$$V_t = V_0 + \int_0^t \mathcal{K}(t-s)\lambda(\theta - V_s) ds + \int_0^t \mathcal{K}(t-s)\zeta\sqrt{V_s}dW_s, \quad (6)$$

where the Kernel satisfies

$$\mathcal{K}(r) := r^{\alpha-1}/\Gamma(\alpha), \quad r > 0, \quad \frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 1. \quad (7)$$

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- Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}, \mathbb{P})$  be a complete filtered probability space with the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  being generated by two independent Wiener processes  $W$  and  $B$ .
- $(\mathcal{F}_t^W)_{t \in [0, T]}$  is the filtration generated by the Wiener process  $W$ .

Consider a general stochastic volatility model given under a risk neutral probability measure as

$$\begin{cases} dS_t = rS_t dt + S_t \sqrt{V_t} \left( \rho dW_t + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} dB_t \right); \\ S_0 = s_0, \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

where  $\rho \in [-1, 1]$  denotes the correlation coefficient and the constant  $r$  the interest rate. We impose the following assumptions on the stochastic variance process  $V$ .

### Assumption 1

$V$  has continuous trajectories, takes values in  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ , and is adapted to the filtration generated by the Brownian motion  $W$ . We further assume that  $V$  is integrable, i.e.,

$$E \left[ \int_0^T V_s ds \right] < \infty, \quad T > 0.$$

- Both the *rough Bergomi model* and *rough Heston model* satisfy the above assumption.

The fair price of a European option with payoff  $H$ , as the smallest initial wealth required to finance an admissible (super-replicating) wealth process, is given by (Cox-Hobson-05)

$$P_t(s) := E \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} H(S_T^{t,s}) | \mathcal{F}_t \right]. \quad (9)$$

- In the special/classical case when  $V_t \equiv \sigma^2$  is a constant,  $P_t(s)$  is deterministic and satisfies the so-called Black-Scholes equation:

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{\partial P_t(s)}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma^2 s^2}{2} D_{ss}^2 P_t(s) - r s D_s P_t(s) - r P_t(s); \\ P_T(s) = H(s), \end{cases}$$

- Markovianity leads to a *deterministic* value function  $P_t(s)$ ; general models include hidden Markov models to restore the Markovianity by extending the state spaces.

- The process  $V$  (or even  $(S, V)$ ) may not be a Markov process or a semi-martingale; in fact, the adopted rough Bergomi/Heston models are neither.
- It is impossible to characterize the value function  $P_t(s)$  with a conventional (deterministic) partial differential equation (PDE).
- Indeed,  $P_t(s)$  satisfies the following backward stochastic PDE (BSPDE, Yong-Ma-1999-PTRF):

$$\begin{cases} -dP_t(s) = \left[ \frac{V_t s^2}{2} D_{ss}^2 P_t(s) + \rho \sqrt{V_t} s D_s \Psi_t(s) - r s D_s P_t(s) - r P_t(s) \right] dt \\ \quad - \Psi_t(s) dW_t; \\ P_T(s) = H(s), \quad s \in (0, \infty). \end{cases}$$

where both  $P_t(s)$  and  $\Psi_t(s)$  are unknown random fields.

- Question: Wellposedness and computations ?

- Taking  $X_t = \log(e^{-rt}S_t)$ , we may reformulate the above pricing problem, i.e.,

$$u_t(x) := E \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} H(e^{X_T^{t,x} + rT}) | \mathcal{F}_t \right], \quad (t, x) \in [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}, \quad (10)$$

subject to

$$\begin{cases} dX_s^{t,x} = \sqrt{V_s} \left( \rho dW_s + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} dB_s \right) - \frac{V_s}{2} ds, & 0 \leq t \leq s \leq T; \\ X_t^{t,x} = x. \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

- Obviously, we have  $u_t(x) = P_t(e^{x+rt})$  and  $u_t(x)$  satisfies BSPDE:

$$\begin{cases} -du_t(x) = \left[ \frac{V_t}{2} D^2 u_t(x) + \rho \sqrt{V_t} D\psi_t(x) - \frac{V_t}{2} Du_t(x) - ru_t(x) \right] dt - \psi_t(x) dW_s; \\ u_T(x) = H(e^{x+rT}), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

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- Consider a general nonlinear BSPDE:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -du_t(x) = \left[ \frac{V_t}{2} D^2 u_t(x) + \rho \sqrt{V_t} D \psi_t(x) - \frac{V_t}{2} D u_t(x) \right. \\ \quad \left. + F_t(e^x, u_t(x), \sqrt{(1-\rho^2)V_t} D u_t(x), \psi_t(x) + \rho \sqrt{V_t} D u_t(x)) \right] dt \\ \quad - \psi_t(x) dW_s, \quad (t, x) \in [0, T) \times \mathbb{R}; \\ u_T(x) = G(e^x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{array} \right. \quad (12)$$

- The previous stochastic Black-Scholes equation is a particular case when  $F_t(x, y, z, \tilde{z}) \equiv -ry$  and  $G(e^x) = H(e^{x+rT})$ .

- Difficulty lies in the combination of the non-uniform-boundedness of  $(V_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  and the inintegrability of  $G(e^x)$  and  $F_t(e^x, y, z, \tilde{z})$  w.r.t.  $x$  on the whole space  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let the triple  $(Y_s^{t,x}, Z_s^{t,x}, \tilde{Z}_s^{t,x})$  be the  $L^1$ -solution to backward SDE (Briand et al.-2003):

$$\begin{cases} -dY_s^{t,x} = F_s(e^{X_s^{t,x}}, Y_s^{t,x}, Z_s^{t,x}, \tilde{Z}_s^{t,x}) ds - \tilde{Z}_s^{t,x} dW_s - Z_s^{t,x} dB_s, & 0 \leq t \leq s \leq T; \\ Y_T^{t,x} = G(X_T^{t,x}). \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

## Theorem

Value function  $\Phi_t(x) := Y_t^{t,x}$  is just  $\mathcal{F}_t^W$ -measurable.

The weak solution  $(u, \psi)$  of BSPDE (12) satisfies

$$u_\tau(X_\tau^{t,x}) = Y_\tau^{t,x}, \quad \sqrt{(1-\rho^2)V_\tau} Du_\tau(X_\tau^{t,x}) = Z_\tau^{t,x}, \quad \psi_\tau(X_\tau^{t,x}) + \rho\sqrt{V_\tau} Du_\tau(X_\tau^{t,x}) = \tilde{Z}_\tau^{t,x},$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq \tau \leq T$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $(Y_\tau^{t,x}, Z_\tau^{t,x}, \tilde{Z}_\tau^{t,x})$  is the unique solution to BSDE (13).

## Remark

For hedging,  $Z = \sqrt{(1-\rho^2)V} Du$  is delta, and  $\tilde{Z} = \psi + \rho\sqrt{V} Du$  corresponds to portfolios in the forward variance curve ( $(E[V_{t+u} | \mathcal{F}_t])_{u \in [0, T-t]}$  using liquid variance swaps or European options) in rough Heston models; see El Euch-Rosenbaum-2018.

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### Theorem: existence and uniqueness of weak solution

Suppose further that there is an infinitely differentiable function  $\zeta$  such that  $\zeta(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and

$$G(e^{\cdot+X_T^{0,0}})\zeta(\cdot) \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_T; L^2(\mathbb{R})), \quad \zeta(\cdot)F.(e^{\cdot+X^{0,0}}, 0, 0, 0) \in L^2(\Omega \times [0, T]; L^2(\mathbb{R})). \quad (14)$$

Then BSPDE (12) admits a unique weak solution  $(u, \psi)$ .

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- Consider the rough Bergomi model with parameters:  $H = 0.07$ ,  $\eta = 1.9$ ,  $\rho = -0.9$ ,  $r = 0.05$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $X_0 = \ln(100)$ . For simplicity, we choose the forward variance curve to be  $\xi(t) \equiv 0.09$ , independent of time.

- We have the associated FBSDE:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} dX_s^{0,x} = \sqrt{V_s} \left( \rho dW_s + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} dB_s \right) - \frac{V_s}{2} ds, \quad 0 \leq s \leq T; \\ X_0^{0,x} = x; \\ V_s = \xi_s \mathcal{E}(\eta \widehat{W}_s) \quad \text{with} \quad \widehat{W}_s = \int_0^s \sqrt{2H}(s-r)^{H-1/2} dW_r, \quad s \in [0, T]; \\ dY_s^{0,x} = rY_s^{0,x} ds + Z_s^{0,x} dW_s + \overline{Z}_s^{0,x} dB_s, \quad s \in [0, T]; \\ Y_T^{0,x} = (K - e^{X_T^{0,x} + rT})^+. \end{array} \right.$$

- $N = 20$  in the Euler Scheme and set a single hidden layer whose number of neurons is equal to half of the total number of neurons in the input and output layers.
- activation function: Sigmoid; Optimizer: Adam

	Reference value	$RSD = \frac{\textit{standard deviation}}{\textit{average value}}$	Estimated value	RSD
$K = 90$	4.9550	0.0259	4.9535	0.0228
$K = 100$	7.8284	0.0135	7.8061	0.0201
$K = 110$	12.1844	0.0100	12.1940	0.0143
$K = 120$	18.1631	0.0077	18.1699	0.0055

**Table:** Prices of European put options at  $t=0$  under the different strike prices  $K$ .

- Reference values are calculated by Monte Carlo method.



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