

Integro Differential Equations for Option Pricing in Lévy-Models

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PIDEs for option pricing: a 'universal approach'

X Markov pr.

European $E(g(X_T))$ $\partial_t v - \mathcal{G} v = 0, v(0) = g$

barrier $E(g(X_T)\mathbb{1}_{\tau_D > T})$ boundary value pb.

lookback $E(g(\sup_{t \leq T} X_t))$

American $\sup_{\tau \leq T} E(g(X_\tau))$ free boundary problem

Fundamental link:

option prices \longleftrightarrow PDEs

Original pricing formula of Black & Scholes (1973):

stock \cong continuous-time random walk,
geometric Brownian motion

option price + replicating portfolio: via PDE (Heat eq.)

Lévy-model

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Expectation via PIDEs

$$\Pi_t^g = E[g(L_T) | \mathcal{F}_t] = E[g(L_{T-t} + x)] \Big|_{x=L_t} =: \Gamma_{T-t} g(x) \Big|_{x=L_t}$$

$$\partial_t u(t, x) = - \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\Gamma_h - 1}{h} u(t, x) = - \mathcal{G} u(t, x)$$

by the definition of the inf. generator \mathcal{G} of L i.e.

$$\partial_t u + \mathcal{G} u = 0, \quad u(T, x) = g(x)$$

Expectation via PIDEs

Altogether

$$\Pi_t^g = E[g(L_{T-t} + x)] \Big|_{x=L_t} =: u(t, L_t)$$

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with infinitesimal generator $\mathcal{G} = \frac{\sigma}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \mu \frac{d}{dx} + \mathcal{G}^{\text{jump}}$

$$\mathcal{G}^{\text{jump}} \varphi(x) = \int \left(\varphi(x+y) - \varphi(x) - h(y) \varphi'(x) \right) F(dy)$$

More general situation

Problem: Barrier option **Lack of regularity** \implies previous argument doesn't apply

Aim: establish **Feynman-Kac formula**

i.e. Show that $\exists!$ solution u of

$$\partial_t u + \mathcal{A} u = 0$$

$$u(0) = g$$

as weak solution and

$$u(T - t, L_t) = E(g(L_T) | L_t)$$

Efficient numerical method to solve PIDEs: Wavelet-Galerkin-method

A series of papers of Schwab et al.

- Matache, Petersdorff, Schwab: *Fast deterministic pricing of options on Lévy driven assets*. M2AN (2004)
- Matache, Nitsche, Schwab: *Wavelet Galerkin pricing of American options on Lévy driven assets*. Quant. Finance (2005)
- Winter: *Wavelet Galerkin schemes for option pricing in multidimensional Lévy models*. PhD thesis 18221, ETH Zürich (2009)
- Hilber, Reich, Schwab, Winter: *Numerical methods for Lévy processes*. Fin. Stoch (2009)

Hilbert space approach

Gelfand triplet $V \hookrightarrow H \hookrightarrow V^*$ and $\mathcal{A} : V \rightarrow V^*$ linear with bilinear form

$$a(u, v) := (\mathcal{A} u)(v) = \langle \mathcal{A} u, v \rangle_{V^* \times V}.$$

Continuity

$$a(u, v) \leq C_1 \|u\|_V \|v\|_V$$

$$(u, v \in V),$$

Gårding inequality

$$a(u, u) \geq C_2 \|u\|_V^2 - C_3 \|u\|_H^2$$

$$(u \in V)$$

with $C_1, C_2 > 0$ and $C_3 \geq 0$.

Hilbert space approach

Continuity and Gårding inequality \implies

Theorem

For $f \in L^2(0, T; V^*)$ and $g \in H$,

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u + \mathcal{A}u &= f \\ u(0) &= g,\end{aligned}$$

has a unique solution $u \in W^1$.

$$u \in W^1 \iff u \in L^2(0, T; V) \text{ with } \dot{u} \in L^2(0, T; V^*)$$

Variational formulation \rightarrow Approximation scheme

Variational form for all $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(0, T)$ and all $v \in V$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 - \int_0^T \langle u(t), v \rangle_H \varphi'(t) dt + \int_0^T a(u(t), v) \varphi(t) dt \\
 = \int_0^T \langle f(t), v \rangle_{V^* \times V} \varphi(t) dt
 \end{aligned}$$

Finite Element Approximation: $V^N \subset V^{N+1} \subset \dots \subset V$ finite dimensional with $\cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V^N$ dense in V

\implies system of linear ODEs.

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Lack of regularity

⇒ characterize price via weak solution of the PIDE

Lévy-model

⇒ Fourier transform: study the symbol of the operator

PIDEs in the light of Fourier transform

Fourier transform of $\mathcal{A}u$:

\mathcal{A} Pseudo Diff. Op . $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}u) = A\mathcal{F}(u)$

Symbol
$$A(\xi) = \frac{\sigma}{2}\xi^2 + ib\xi - \int (e^{-i\xi y} - 1 - i\xi h(y)) F(dy)$$

$$= -\kappa(-i\xi)$$

Sobolev index

Bilinear form via Symbol for $u, v \in C_0^\infty$

$$a(u, v) = \int (\mathcal{A}u)v = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int A \hat{u} \bar{\hat{v}} \quad (\text{Parseval})$$

Sobolev-Index of A is $\alpha > 0$, if

Continuity condition $|A(\xi)| \leq C_1(1 + |\xi|)^\alpha$

Gårding condition $\Re(A(\xi)) \geq C_2(1 + |\xi|)^\alpha - C_3(1 + |\xi|)^\beta$

for $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ with $C_1, C_2 > 0$ and $C_3 \geq 0, 0 \leq \beta < \alpha$.

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Sobolev index and Sobolev spaces

⇒ Continuity & Gårding inequality
in Sobolev-Slobodeckii space $H^{\alpha/2}$.

Sobolev-Slobodeckii space $H^s := \{u \in L^2 \mid \|u\|_{H^s} < \infty\}$
with norm

$$\|u\|_{H^s}^2 = \int |\hat{u}(\xi)|^2 (1 + |\xi|^2)^s d\xi$$

Sobolev index and parabolic PIDEs

Gelfand triplet $H^s \hookrightarrow L^2 \hookrightarrow (H^s)^* = H^{-s}$.

Let \mathcal{A} PDO with Symbol A with Sobolev index α .

Theorem

Let $s = \alpha/2$. For $f \in L^2((0, T); H^{-s})$ and $g \in L^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u + \mathcal{A} u &= f \\ u(0) &= g,\end{aligned}$$

$\exists!$ solution $u \in W^1$ i.e. $u \in L^2(0, t; H^s)$ with $\dot{u} \in L^2(0, t; H^{-s})$.

Stochastic representation

If A is the symbol of a Lévy-Process L with with Sobolev index α

\implies the solution $u \in W^1(0, T; H^{\alpha/2}, L^2)$ of has the stochastic representation

$$u(T-t, L_t) = E\left(g(L_T) - \int_t^T f(T-s, L_s) ds \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right)$$

Sobolev index for Lévy processes

Distribution	Sobolev index α
Brownian motion (+ drift)	2
GH, NIG	1
CGMY, no drift	Y
CGMY, with drift, $Y \geq 1$	Y
CGMY, with drift, $Y < 1$	–
Variance Gamma	–

Sobolev index $\alpha < 2 \implies$ Blumenthal-Gettoor index $\beta = \alpha$.

For option pricing: drift condition \implies Require $\alpha \geq 1$.

Pricing barrier options

Digital barrier option payoff 1 only, if $S_t < H \forall t \leq T$

$$\mathbb{1}_{\sup_{t \leq T} L_t < B} = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_{(-\infty, B]} < T}$$

with $\tau_{(-\infty, B]} =$ first exit time of L out of $(-\infty, B]$.

\rightsquigarrow Feynman-Kac formula for sol. to boundary value pb.

Feynman-Kac formula for digital barrier option

Let $\eta > 0$ with

(A1) Exponential moments $\int_{|x|>1} e^{-\eta x} F(dx) < \infty$.

(A2) Continuity $|A(z)| \leq C_1(1 + |z|)^\alpha$.

(A3) Gårding $\Re(A(z)) \geq C_2(1 + |z|)^\alpha - C_3(1 + |z|)^\beta$.

For all $z \in U_{-\eta} := \mathbb{R} - i[0, \eta)$ with constants $C_1, C_2 > 0, C_3 \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$.

PIDEs for digital barrier option

Digital barrier option: payoff $\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{\bar{D}} > T\}}$

$$\text{Fair price } \Pi_t = \underbrace{E(\mathbb{1}_{\{T < \tau_{t, \bar{D}}\}} | \mathcal{F}_t)}_{u(T-t, L_t)} \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau_{\bar{D}}\}}$$

Theorem

Let (A1)–(A3) with $\alpha \geq 1$ and $\eta > 0$. Then $u \in W^1$ is the unique solution of

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u + \mathcal{A}u &= 0 \quad \text{in } (\tilde{H}_\eta^{\alpha/2}(D))^* \\ u(0) &= g \end{aligned}$$

PIDE for digital barrier options: numerics

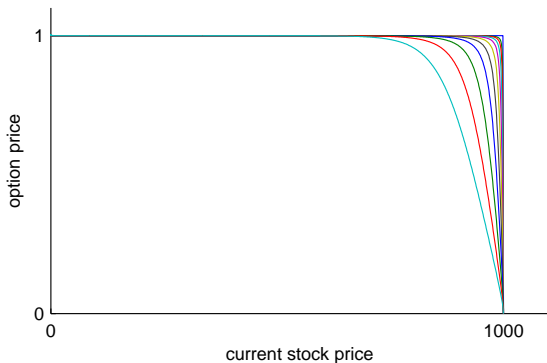


Figure: Price of digital barrier option maturity $(1/2)^k$, $k = 0, \dots, 9$ in a CGMY model.

Distribution of the supremum process

Distr. func. $F^{\bar{L}_T}$ of the supremum $\bar{L}_T = \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} L_t$ i.e.

$$F^{\bar{L}_T}(x) = P(\bar{L}_T < x) = P(T < \tau_{(-\infty, x]}) = E(\mathbf{1}_{T < \tau_{(-\infty, 0]}} | L_0 = -x)$$

$$\implies F^{\bar{L}_T}(x) = u^{\text{digi}, 0}(T, -x).$$

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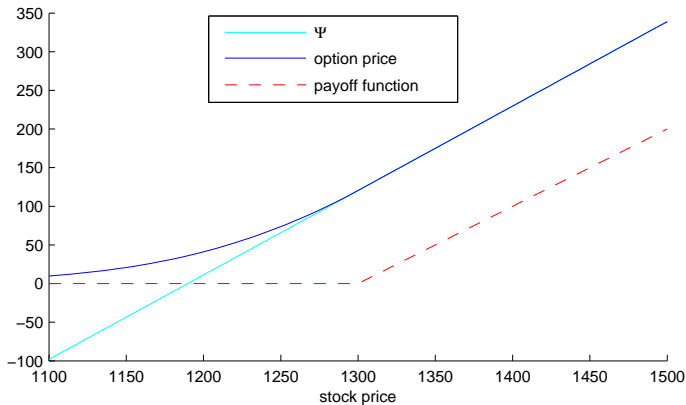


Figure: $\Psi(S_0) = E \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} S_t - K$, maturity 1 year, strike 1300.

Feynman-Kac formula for boundary value pb

Boundary value problem

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$$u(T-t, L_t) = E\left(g(L_T) \mathbb{1}_{\{T < \tau_{\overline{D}}\}} \middle| \mathcal{F}_t\right),$$

with stopping time $\tau_{\overline{D}, t}$ first exit time after t out of \overline{D}

$$\text{and } u \text{ solves } \quad \partial_t u + \mathcal{A}u = f \quad \text{in } (\tilde{H}_\eta^{\alpha/2}(D))^*,$$

$$u(0) = g$$