

# **Spectral Decomposition of Option Prices in Fast Mean-Reverting Stochastic Volatility Models**

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# What is Spectral Theory?

Roughly speaking, generalization of eigenvalue equations for matrices to eigenvalue equations for linear operators

$$\begin{bmatrix} & | & \\ -M & - & \\ & | & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | \\ e_i \\ | \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_i \begin{bmatrix} | \\ e_i \\ | \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}\psi_i = \lambda_i\psi_i$$

- $\psi_i$  is eigenfunction corresponding to eigenvalue,  $\lambda_i$
- The set of  $\{\lambda_i\}$  for which the eigenvalue equation can be solved is the *spectrum* of  $\mathcal{L}$

**Q: Who Uses This Stuff Anyway?**

A: Physicists!

Heat equation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u = \nabla^2 u$$

Wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} u = \nabla^2 u$$

Schrödinger equation:

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u = Hu$$

Above PDE's can be separated into **temporal** and **spatial** components

The **spatial** component satisfies eigenvalue equation

## Example: 1-D Heat Equation: $\partial_t u = \partial_{xx}^2 u$

Try solution of the form  $u(t, x) = \textcolor{red}{g}(t)\psi(x)$

$$\textcolor{red}{g}'\psi = \textcolor{red}{g}\psi'' \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\textcolor{red}{g}'}{\textcolor{red}{g}} = \frac{\psi''}{\psi}$$

LHS function of  $t$  only, RHS function of  $x$  only

$\Rightarrow$  Both sides must equal constant,  $-\lambda_i$

$$\psi_i'' = -\lambda_i \psi_i \quad \textcolor{red}{g}_i' = -\lambda_i \textcolor{red}{g}_i$$

Spatial component solves eigenvalue equation with  $\mathcal{L} = \partial_{xx}^2$   
BC's fix the spectrum,  $\{\lambda_i\}$

By linearity of heat equation, general solution is linear combination

$$u(t, x) = \sum_i A_i \textcolor{red}{g}_i(t) \psi_i(x)$$

Constants,  $\{A_i\}$  determined by IC:  $u(0, x) = f(x)$ .

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# Q: Do Physicists Know Any Other Useful Math?

A: You bet! Example from Quantum Mechanics

If you can solve exactly:

$$H^0 \psi_n^0 = E_n^0 \psi_n^0$$

But you can not solve:

$$(H^0 + \epsilon H^1) \psi_n^\epsilon = E_n^\epsilon \psi_n^\epsilon$$

If  $\epsilon$  small, try **perturbation theory**

$$E_n^\epsilon = E_n^0 + \epsilon E_n^1 + \epsilon^2 E_n^2 + \dots$$

$$\psi_n^\epsilon = \psi_n^0 + \epsilon \psi_n^1 + \epsilon^2 \psi_n^2 + \dots$$

Collect terms with like powers of  $\epsilon$

$$\mathcal{O}(1) \quad H^0 \psi_n^0 = E_n^0 \psi_n^0 \quad (\text{look familiar?})$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \quad H^0 \psi_n^1 + H^1 \psi_n^0 = E_n^0 \psi_n^1 + E_n^1 \psi_n^0 \quad (\text{often solvable})$$

## Some Finance . . . (finally)

Fast mean-reverting stochastic volatility models under  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t &= \left( r - \frac{1}{2} f^2(Y_t^\epsilon) \right) dt + f(Y_t^\epsilon) d\tilde{W}_t, \\ dY_t^\epsilon &= \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} (m - Y_t^\epsilon) - \frac{\nu\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \Lambda(Y_t^\epsilon) \right] dt + \frac{\nu\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} dB_t, \\ d\langle \tilde{W}, \tilde{B} \rangle_t &= \rho dt. \end{aligned}$$

- $X_t = \log S_t$  with stochastic volatility  $f(Y_t^\epsilon)$
- $\epsilon \ll 1 \Rightarrow Y_t^\epsilon$  fast mean-reverting
- $\Lambda(y)$  is market price of volatility risk
- $f(y)$  and  $\Lambda(y)$  are bounded

# Option Pricing

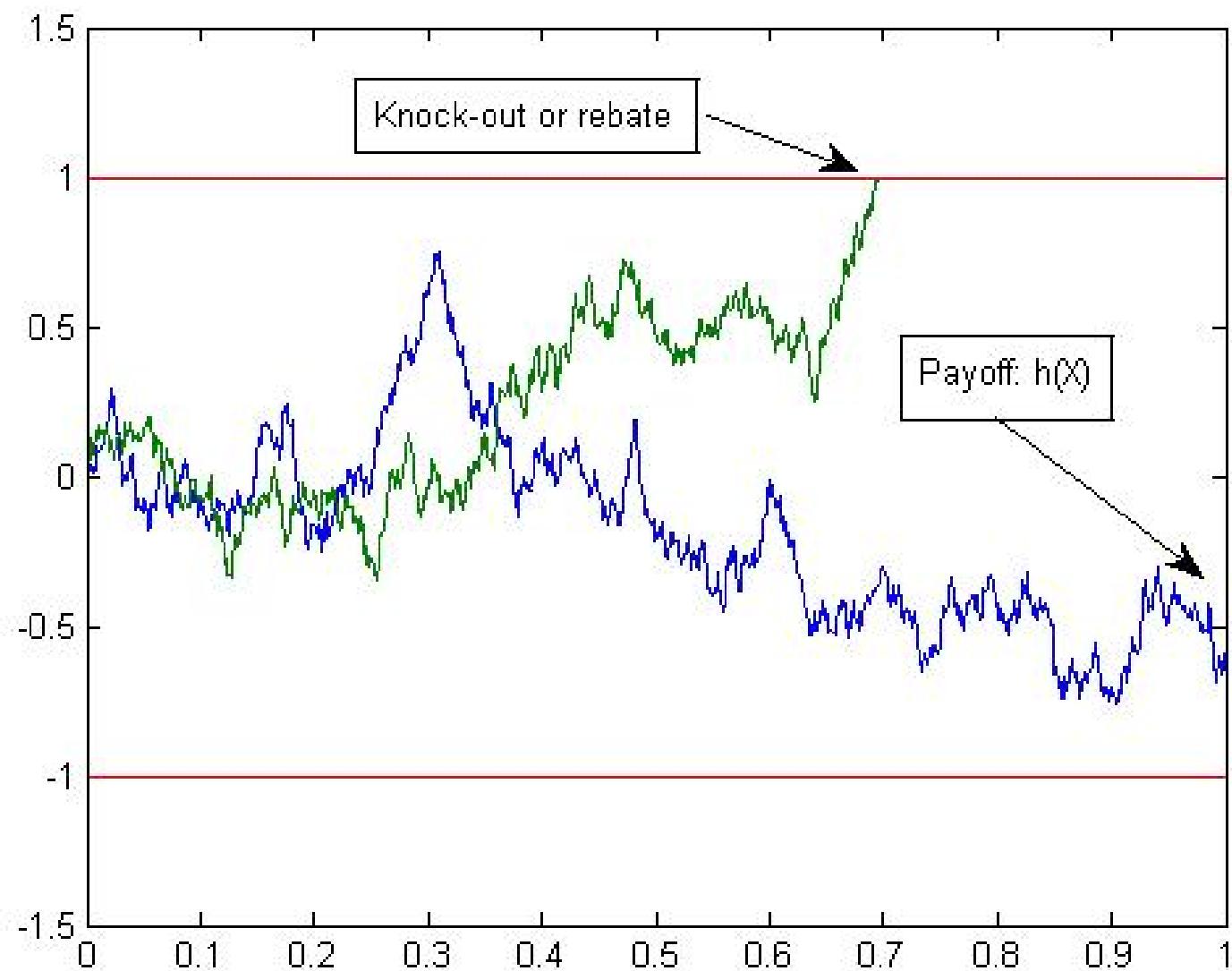
Consider option on  $X_t$  with payoff  $\textcolor{blue}{h}(X_{\textcolor{red}{\tau}})$

$$\textcolor{red}{\tau} = \inf\{s > 0 : X_s \notin (x_l, x_u)\} \wedge T,$$

$$\textcolor{blue}{h} : [x_l, x_u] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad -\infty \leq x_l < x_u \leq \infty$$

Examples of such options:

- European options (send  $x_l \rightarrow -\infty$  and  $x_u \rightarrow +\infty$ )
- Single- and double-barrier knock-out options
- Rebate options



## Risk-Neutral Pricing

$$P_t^\epsilon = e^{rt} \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} [e^{-r\tau} h(X_\tau) | X_t, Y_t^\epsilon] =: \textcolor{red}{P}^\epsilon(t, X_t, Y_t^\epsilon),$$

Feynman-Kac  $\Rightarrow$  Option Pricing PDE

$$(\partial_t - r + \mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon) \textcolor{red}{P}^\epsilon = 0,$$

$$\textcolor{red}{P}^\epsilon(T, x, y) = h(x),$$

$$\textcolor{red}{P}^\epsilon(t, x_l, y) = h(x_l) =: R_l, \quad (\text{not needed if } x_l = -\infty)$$

$$\textcolor{red}{P}^\epsilon(t, x_u, y) = h(x_u) =: R_u. \quad (\text{not needed if } x_u = +\infty)$$

$\mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon$  is infinitesimal generator of  $(X_t, Y_t)$

# Separation of Variables

Try  $u^\epsilon(t, x, y) = \textcolor{red}{g}^\epsilon(t)\textcolor{blue}{\Psi}^\epsilon(x, y)$  in  $(\partial_t - r + \mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon) u^\epsilon = 0$

$$\frac{-(\partial_t - r) \textcolor{red}{g}^\epsilon}{g^\epsilon} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}^\epsilon}{\textcolor{blue}{\Psi}^\epsilon}$$

Both sides must be constant

$$-(\partial_t - r) \textcolor{red}{g}_q^\epsilon = \lambda_q^\epsilon \textcolor{red}{g}_q^\epsilon \quad \mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_q^\epsilon = \lambda_q^\epsilon \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_q^\epsilon.$$

Candidate solutions are

$$P^\epsilon(t, x, y) = \textcolor{teal}{\Psi}_r^\epsilon(x, y) + \int A_\omega^\epsilon \textcolor{red}{g}_\omega^\epsilon(t) \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_\omega^\epsilon(x, y) d\omega, \quad (\text{continuous spectrum})$$

$$P^\epsilon(t, x, y) = \textcolor{teal}{\Psi}_r^\epsilon(x, y) + \sum_m A_m^\epsilon \textcolor{red}{g}_m^\epsilon(t) \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_m^\epsilon(x, y). \quad (\text{discrete spectrum})$$

$\textcolor{teal}{\Psi}_r^\epsilon(x, y)$  is steady-state solution, found by setting  $\lambda_q = r$ .

# Boundary Conditions

A convenient B.C. for **Temporal component** is

$$\textcolor{red}{g_q^\epsilon}(T) = 1$$

Eigenfunctions satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}\textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_q^\epsilon(x_l, y) &= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad x_l > -\infty, \\ \textcolor{blue}{\Psi}_q^\epsilon(x_u, y) &= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad x_u < \infty.\end{aligned}$$

Steady-state solution satisfies

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_l} \textcolor{teal}{\Psi}_r^\epsilon(x, y) = R_l$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_u} \textcolor{teal}{\Psi}_r^\epsilon(x, y) = R_u$$

$R_l$  and  $R_u$  are rebates paid upon hitting  $x_l$  or  $x_u$  respectively

For given  $\lambda_q^\epsilon$ , expression for  $g_q^\epsilon(t)$  is easy to find

$$-(\partial_t - r) g_q^\epsilon = \lambda_q^\epsilon g_q^\epsilon$$

$$g_q^\epsilon(T) = 1$$

$$g_q^\epsilon(t) = \exp [(\lambda_q^\epsilon - r)(T - t)]$$

For general  $f(y)$ , no analytic expression for  $\Psi_q^\epsilon(x, y)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon \Psi_q^\epsilon = \lambda_q^\epsilon \Psi_q^\epsilon \quad (+ \text{ B.C.'s})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon &= \left[ \left( r - \frac{1}{2} f^2(y) \right) \partial_x + \frac{1}{2} f^2(y) \partial_{xx}^2 \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \left[ \rho \nu \sqrt{2} f(y) \partial_{xy}^2 - \nu \sqrt{2} \Lambda(y) \partial_y \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[ (m - y) \partial_y + \nu^2 \partial_{yy}^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Try (singular) Perturbation Theory w.r.t.  $\epsilon$

$$\mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \mathcal{L}^{(-2)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \mathcal{L}^{(-1)} + \mathcal{L}^{(0)}$$

$$\Psi_q^{\epsilon} = \Psi_q^{(0)} + \sqrt{\epsilon} \Psi_q^{(1)} + \epsilon \Psi_q^{(2)} + \dots,$$

$$\lambda_q^{\epsilon} = \lambda_q^{(0)} + \sqrt{\epsilon} \lambda_q^{(1)} + \epsilon \lambda_q^{(2)} + \dots$$

Since  $A_q^{\epsilon}$ ,  $g_q^{\epsilon}$  and  $P^{\epsilon}$  depend on  $\epsilon$  we should expand them as well

$$A_q^{\epsilon} = A_q^{(0)} + \sqrt{\epsilon} A_q^{(1)} + \dots,$$

$$g_q^{\epsilon} = g_q^{(0)} + \sqrt{\epsilon} g_q^{(1)} + \dots,$$

$$P^{\epsilon} = P^{(0)} + \sqrt{\epsilon} P^{(1)} + \dots,$$

$$g_q^{(0)}(t) = e^{(\lambda_q^{(0)} - r)(T-t)},$$

$$g_q^{(1)}(t) = \lambda_q^{(1)}(T-t)g_q^{(0)}(t).$$

Insert expansions for  $\Psi_q^\epsilon$  and  $\lambda_q^\epsilon$  into  $\mathcal{L}_{X,Y}^\epsilon \Psi_q^\epsilon = \lambda_q^\epsilon \Psi_q^\epsilon$

Find  $\Psi_q^{(0)}$  and  $\Psi_q^{(1)}$  can be written

$$\Psi_q^{(0)} = e^{cx} \psi_q^{(0)}(x) \quad \text{no } y\text{-dependence}$$

$$\Psi_q^{(1)} = e^{cx} \psi_q^{(1)}(x) \quad \text{no } y\text{-dependence}$$

where

$$c = \frac{-(r - \frac{1}{2}\bar{\sigma}^2)}{\bar{\sigma}^2}$$

$$\bar{\sigma}^2 = \langle f^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle v \rangle := \int v(y) dF_Y(y)$$

$F_Y$  is distribution of  $Y_\infty^\epsilon \sim N(m, \nu^2)$  under  $\mathbb{P}$

$\left\{ \psi_q^{(0)}, \lambda'_q^{(0)} \right\}$  satisfy eigenvalue equation

$$\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_q^{(0)} = \lambda'_q^{(0)} \psi_q^{(0)} \quad \lambda'_q^{(0)} = \frac{2\lambda_q^{(0)} + \bar{\sigma}^2 c^2}{\bar{\sigma}^2}$$

$\partial_{xx}^2$  is self-adjoint on inner product space  $(u, v) := \int_{x_l}^{x_u} \bar{u} v dx$

$\Rightarrow \left\{ \psi_q^{(0)} \right\}$  form orthonormal basis (we will use this later)

$$\left\{\psi_q^{(1)}, \color{red}\lambda_q^{(1)}\right\} \text{ satisfy}$$

$$\left(V_2\chi+V_3\eta_q\right)\partial_x\psi_q^{(0)}+\left(V_2\xi_q+V_3\gamma_q\right)\psi_q^{(0)}=\frac{\overline{\sigma}^2}{2}\left(\lambda'^{(0)}_q-\partial_{xx}^2\right)\psi_q^{(1)}+\color{red}\lambda_q^{(1)}\psi_q^{(0)}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{\nu}{\sqrt{2}} \left\langle \Lambda \phi' \right\rangle,$$

$$V_3 = \frac{-\rho\nu}{\sqrt{2}} \left\langle f \phi' \right\rangle$$

$$\phi \text{ satisfies } \mathcal{L}^{(-2)}\phi=f^2-\overline{\sigma}^2$$

$$\chi,\eta_q,\xi_q,\gamma_q \text{ are functions of } \lambda'^{(0)}_q,c$$

# Slow Down Turbo! Can I get a Review?

$$P^\epsilon(t, x, y) = P^{(0)}(t, x) + \sqrt{\epsilon} P^{(1)}(t, x) + \dots$$

$$P^{(0)}(t, x) = e^{cx} \left( \psi_r^{(0)} + \sum_m A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(0)} \psi_m^{(0)} \right)$$

$$P^{(1)}(t, x) = e^{cx} \left( \psi_r^{(1)} + \sum_m \left( A_m^{(1)} g_m^{(0)} \psi_m^{(0)} + A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(1)} \psi_m^{(0)} + A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(0)} \psi_m^{(1)} \right) \right)$$

- $\left\{ \psi_m^{(0)}, \lambda_m^{(0)} \right\}$  solve:  $\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_m^{(0)} = \lambda_m^{(0)} \psi_m^{(0)}$
- $\left\{ \psi_m^{(0)} \right\}$  orthonormal
- $\left\{ \psi_m^{(1)}, \lambda_m^{(1)} \right\}$  satisfy equation in terms of  $\left\{ \psi_m^{(0)}, \lambda_m^{(0)} \right\}$
- Have expressions for  $g_m^{(0)}$  and  $g_m^{(1)}$  in terms of  $\lambda_m^{(0)}$  and  $\lambda_m^{(1)}$

(Continuous spectrum  $\sum \rightarrow \int$ )

What about  $A_m^{(0)}$  and  $A_m^{(1)}$ ?

Use  $\underline{P^{(0)}(T, x) = h(x)}$  and  $\underline{g_m^{(0)}(T) = 1}$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= e^{cx} \left( \psi_r^{(0)}(x) + \sum_m A_m^{(0)} \psi_m^{(0)}(x) \right) \\ \left( \psi_n^{(0)}, e^{-cx} h - \psi_r^{(0)} \right) &= \sum_m A_m^{(0)} \left( \psi_n^{(0)}, \psi_m^{(0)} \right) \\ &= \sum_m A_m^{(0)} \delta_{m,n} \quad (\text{from orthonormality}) \\ A_m^{(0)} &= \left( e^{-cx} h - \psi_r^{(0)}, \psi_m^{(0)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Similar calculation with  $\underline{P^{(1)}(T, x) = 0}$  and  $\underline{g_m^{(1)}(T) = 0}$  gives

$$A_m^{(1)} = - \left( \psi_m^{(0)}(x), \psi_r^{(1)}(x) \right) - \sum_n A_n^{(0)} \left( \psi_m^{(0)}(x), \psi_n^{(1)}(x) \right)$$

## Example: European Option



**Step 1: Find Expressions for  $\psi_r^{(0)}(x)$  and  $\psi_r^{(1)}(x)$**

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \psi_r^{(i)}(x) = 0 \quad i = 0, 1$$

$$\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_r^{(0)} = \lambda'_r \psi_r^{(0)},$$

$$\frac{\bar{\sigma}^2}{2} \left( \lambda'^{(0)}_r - \partial_{xx}^2 \right) \psi_r^{(1)} = (V_2 \chi + V_3 \eta_r) \partial_x \psi_r^{(0)} + (V_2 \xi_r + V_3 \gamma_r) \psi_r^{(0)}.$$

$$\psi_r^{(0)}(x) = \psi_r^{(1)}(x) = 0$$

**Step 2: Find Expressions for  $\psi_\omega^{(0)}(x)$  and  $\lambda_\omega^{(0)}$**

$$\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_\omega^{(0)} = \lambda'_\omega^{(0)} \psi_\omega^{(0)}$$

$$\psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{i\omega x},$$

$$\lambda'_\omega^{(0)} = -\omega^2, \quad \lambda_\omega^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{\sigma}^2 c^2 + \bar{\sigma}^2 \omega^2).$$

**Step 3: Find Expressions for  $\psi_\omega^{(1)}(x)$  and  $\lambda_\omega^{(1)}$**

$$(V_2\chi + V_3\eta_\omega) \partial_x \psi_\omega^{(0)} + (V_2\xi_\omega + V_3\gamma_\omega) \psi_\omega^{(0)} = \frac{\bar{\sigma}^2}{2} \left( \lambda'_\omega^{(0)} - \partial_{xx}^2 \right) \psi_\omega^{(1)} + \lambda_\omega^{(1)} \psi_\omega^{(0)}$$

$$\psi_\omega^{(1)}(x) = \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x),$$

$$\lambda_\omega^{(1)} = V_3 \beta_\omega + V_2 \zeta_\omega,$$

$$\beta_\omega = (c + i\omega)^3 - (c + i\omega)^2,$$

$$\zeta_\omega = (c + i\omega)^2 - (c + i\omega).$$

## Step 4: Find Expressions for $A_\omega^{(0)}$ and $A_\omega^{(1)}$

$\psi_r^{(0)} = \psi_r^{(1)} = 0$ , so expressions for  $A_\omega^{(0)}$  and  $A_\omega^{(1)}$  simplify

$$A_\omega^{(0)} = \left( \psi_\omega^{(0)}, e^{-cx} h \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_\omega^{(1)} &= - \int A_\nu^{(0)} \left( \psi_\omega^{(0)}, \psi_n^{(1)} \right) d\nu \\ &= - \int A_\nu^{(0)} \delta(\omega - \nu) d\nu \\ &= -A_\omega^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

## Step 5: Expressions for $P^{(0)}(t, x)$ and $P^{(1)}(t, x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P^{(0)}(t, x) &= e^{cx} \int A_\omega^{(0)} \underline{g_\omega^{(0)}(t)} \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) d\omega \\
 P^{(1)}(t, x) &= e^{cx} \int \left( A_\omega^{(1)} g_\omega^{(0)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) + A_\omega^{(0)} g_\omega^{(1)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + A_\omega^{(0)} g_\omega^{(0)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(1)}(x) \right) d\omega \\
 &= e^{cx} \int \left( \cancel{-A_\omega^{(0)} g_\omega^{(0)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x)} + A_\omega^{(0)} g_\omega^{(1)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \cancel{A_\omega^{(0)} g_\omega^{(0)}(t) \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x)} \right) d\omega \\
 &= e^{cx} \int A_\omega^{(0)} \underline{g_\omega^{(1)}(t)} \psi_\omega^{(0)}(x) d\omega
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## Group Parameters $V_2^\epsilon$ and $V_3^\epsilon$

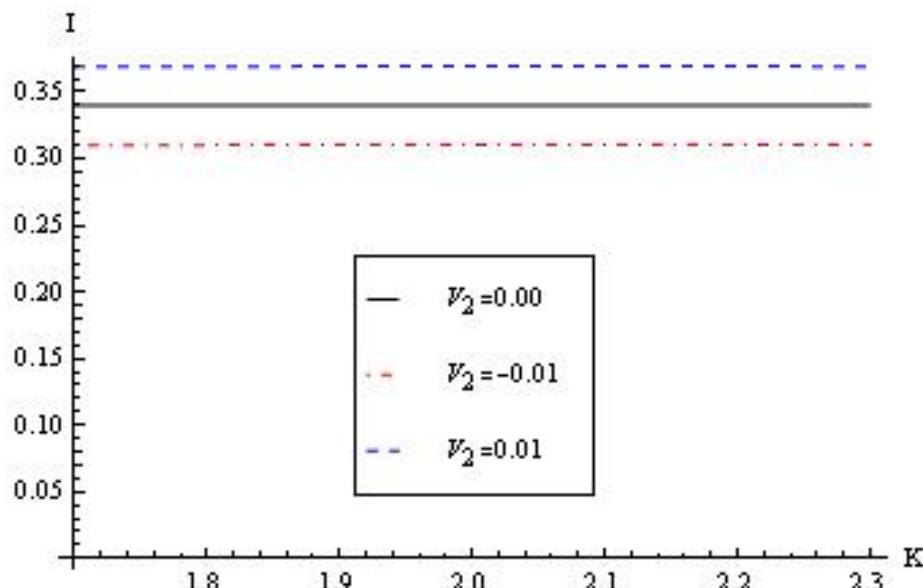
- Adding fast mean-reverting factor of volatility adds
  - two unknown functions  $(f, \Lambda)$
  - five unobservable parameters  $(\epsilon, m, \nu, \rho, y)$to Black-Scholes framework
- Knowledge of these functions and parameters not needed to give approximate price of option
- $P_0$  corresponds to Black-Scholes price of an option with  $\sigma \rightarrow \bar{\sigma}$
- $\sqrt{\epsilon}P_1$  is linear in group parameters  $V_2^\epsilon$  and  $V_3^\epsilon$

$$V_2^\epsilon = \sqrt{\epsilon} \frac{\nu}{\sqrt{2}} \langle \Lambda \phi' \rangle, \quad V_3^\epsilon = -\sqrt{\epsilon} \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{2}} \langle f \phi' \rangle$$

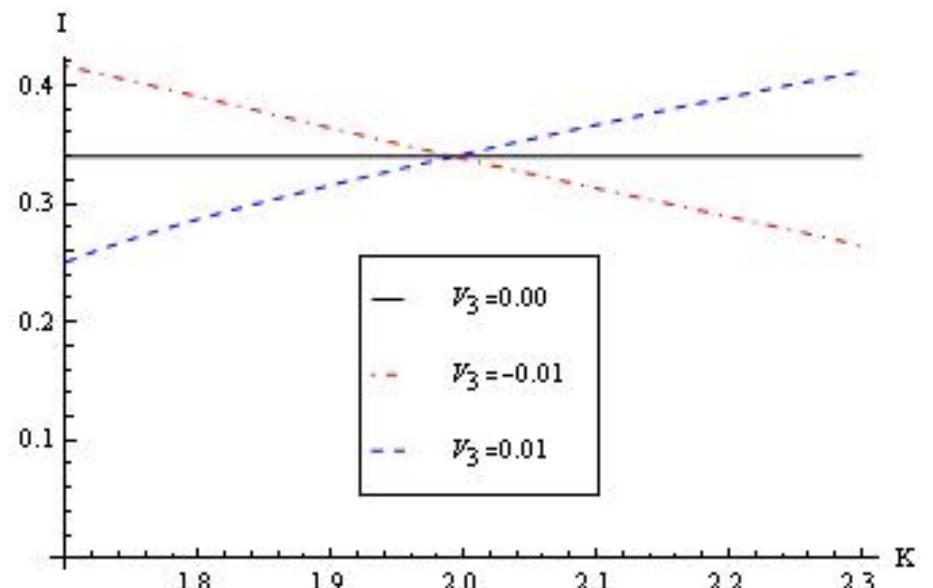
- True for all options in this framework — not just European

## Effect of $V_2^\epsilon$ and $V_3^\epsilon$ on Implied Volatility

$$S_t = 2.0, T - t = 0.5$$



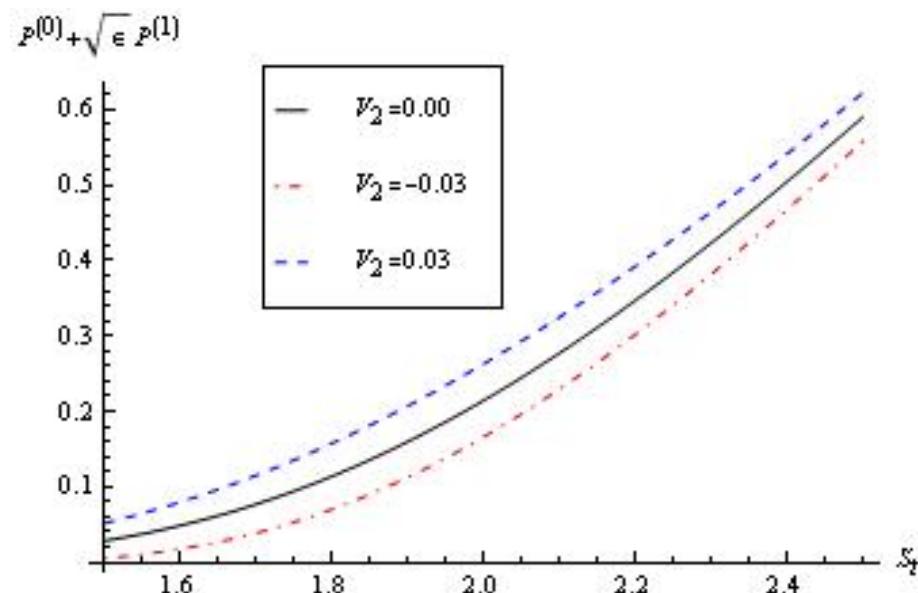
$V_2^\epsilon$  controls overall level of vol.



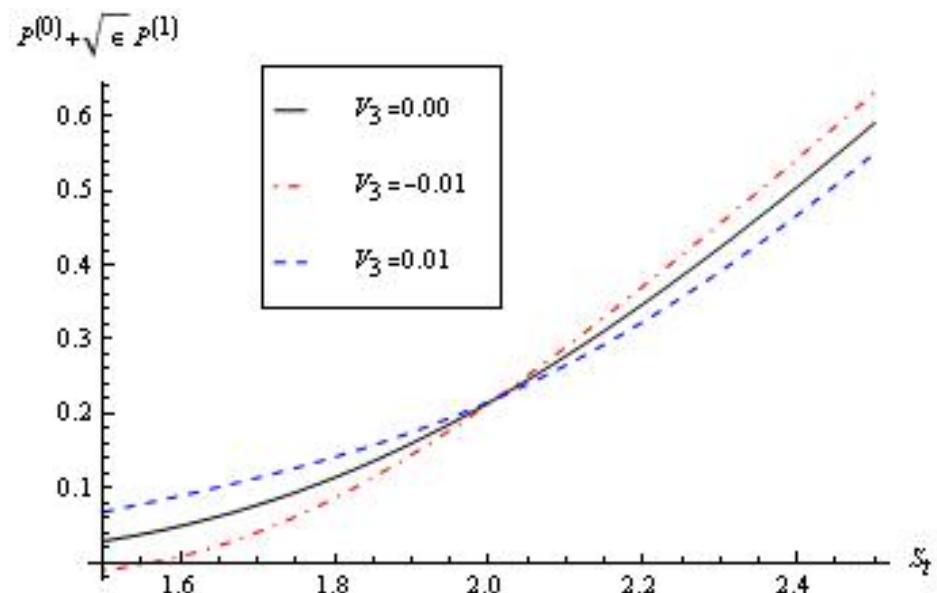
$V_3^\epsilon$  controls ATM skew.

# European Call Price vs $S_t$

$$K = 2.0, T - t = 0.5$$



Effect of  $V_2^\epsilon$ .



Effect of  $V_3^\epsilon$ .

## Example: Double-Barrier Knock-Out Option



## Step 1: Find Expressions for $\psi_r^{(0)}(x)$ and $\psi_r^{(1)}(x)$

Option “knocks-out” at  $X_t = x_l$  and  $X_t = x_u \Rightarrow R_l = R_u = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_l} \psi_r^{(i)}(x) = 0 \quad i = 0, 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_u} \psi_r^{(i)}(x) = 0 \quad i = 0, 1$$

$$\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_r^{(0)} = \lambda'_r \psi_r^{(0)},$$

$$\frac{\bar{\sigma}^2}{2} \left( \lambda'^{(0)}_r - \partial_{xx}^2 \right) \psi_r^{(1)} = (V_2 \chi + V_3 \eta_r) \partial_x \psi_r^{(0)} + (V_2 \xi_r + V_3 \gamma_r) \psi_r^{(0)}.$$

Obvious solution is

$$\psi_r^{(0)}(x) = \psi_r^{(1)}(x) = 0$$

**Step 2: Find Expressions for  $\psi_m^{(0)}(x)$  and  $\lambda_m^{(0)}$**

$$\partial_{xx}^2 \psi_m^{(0)} = \lambda_m'^{(0)} \psi_m^{(0)},$$

$$\psi_m^{(0)}(x_l) = 0,$$

$$\psi_m^{(0)}(x_u) = 0.$$

One can easily verify the following set of solutions

$$\psi_m^{(0)}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{x_u - x_l}} \sin(\alpha_m(x - x_l)), \quad \alpha_m = \frac{m\pi}{x_u - x_l}$$

$$\lambda_m'^{(0)} = -\alpha_m^2 \quad \lambda_m^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{2} (\bar{\sigma}^2 c^2 + \bar{\sigma}^2 \alpha_m^2).$$

### Step 3: Find Expressions for $\psi_m^{(1)}(x)$ and $\lambda_m^{(1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \psi_m^{(1)}(x_l) = \psi_m^{(1)}(x_u) \\ (V_2\chi + V_3\eta_m) \partial_x \psi_m^{(0)} + (V_2\xi_m + V_3\gamma_m) \psi_m^{(0)} \\ &= \frac{\bar{\sigma}^2}{2} \left( \lambda_m'^{(0)} - \partial_{xx}^2 \right) \psi_m^{(1)} + \lambda_m^{(1)} \psi_m^{(0)} \end{aligned}$$

$\left\{ \psi_m^{(0)} \right\}$  form complete orthonormal basis on  $L^2(x_l, x_u)$

Try:  $\psi_m^{(1)}(x) = \sum_{n \neq m} a_{m,n}^{(1)} \psi_n^{(0)}$

Find:  $a_{m,n}^{(1)} = \frac{(V_2\chi + V_3\eta_m) \left( \psi_n^{(0)}, \partial_x \psi_m^{(0)} \right)}{\lambda_m^{(0)} - \lambda_n^{(0)}}$

$$\lambda_m^{(1)} = V_2\xi_m + V_3\gamma_m$$

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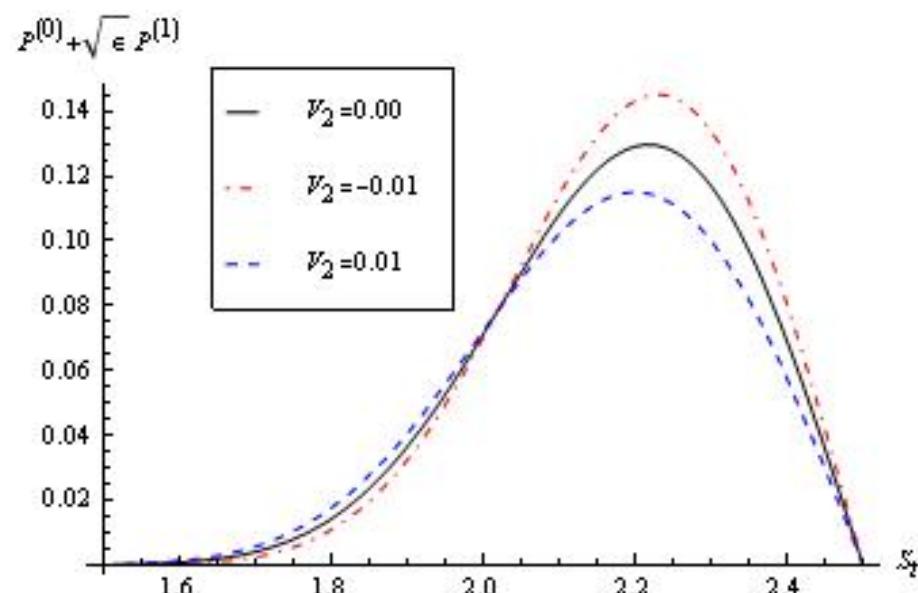
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$$P^{(0)}(t, x) = e^{cx} \sum_m A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(0)}(t) \psi_m^{(0)}(x),$$

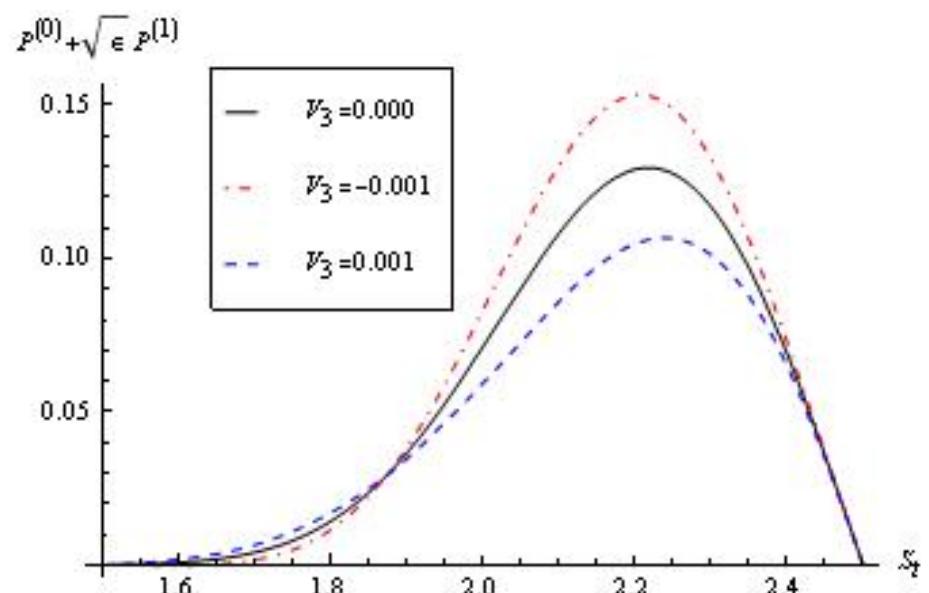
$$\begin{aligned} P^{(1)}(t, x) &= e^{cx} \sum_m \left( A_m^{(1)} g_m^{(0)}(t) \psi_m^{(0)}(x) + A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(1)}(t) \psi_m^{(0)}(x) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(0)}(t) \psi_m^{(1)}(x) \right) \\ &= e^{cx} \sum_m A_m^{(0)} g_m^{(1)}(t) \psi_m^{(0)}(x) \\ &\quad + e^{cx} \sum_m \sum_n g_m^{(0)}(t) \left( A_m^{(0)} a_{m,n}^{(1)} \psi_n^{(0)}(x) - A_n^{(0)} a_{n,m}^{(1)} \psi_m^{(0)}(x) \right), \end{aligned}$$

# Double-Barrier Call Price vs $S_t$

$$S_l = 1.5, K = 2.0, S_u = 2.5, T - t = 0.5$$



Effect of  $V_2^\epsilon$ .



Effect of  $V_3^\epsilon$ .

## Some Key **Advantages** of Spectral Approach

- Fast convergence:  $P \sim \sum e^{\lambda_n t}$ ,  $\lambda_n \sim -n^2$
- Simple Implementation: Just solve few eigenvalue equations
- Widely Applicable: Works for European, Barrier, Rebate Options
- Only need two new parameters  $(V_2^\epsilon, V_3^\epsilon)$  to give approximate price of options.

**Thank You!**