## Efficient one and multiple time-step Monte Carlo simulation of the SABR model

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## "Our" definition of simulation

- Generate samples from (sampling) stochastic processes.
- The standard approach to sample from a given distribution, $Z$ :

$$
F_{Z}(Z) \stackrel{\mathrm{d}}{=} U \text { thus } z_{n}=F_{Z}^{-1}\left(u_{n}\right)
$$

- $F_{Z}$ is the cumulative distribution function (CDF).
- $\stackrel{\mathrm{d}}{=}$ means equality in the distribution sense.
- $U \sim \mathcal{U}([0,1])$ and $u_{n}$ is a sample from $\mathcal{U}([0,1])$.
- The computational cost depends on inversion $F_{Z}^{-1}$.


## Outline

(1) SABR model
(2) Distribution of the SABR's integrated variance
(3) One-step SABR simulation
(4) Multiple time-step SABR simulation
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## SABR model

- The formal definition of the SABR model [6] reads

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{d} S(t)=\sigma(t) S^{\beta}(t) \mathrm{d} W_{S}(t), & S(0)=S_{0} \exp (r T) \\
\mathrm{d} \sigma(t)=\alpha \sigma(t) \mathrm{d} W_{\sigma}(t), & \sigma(0)=\sigma_{0}
\end{array}
$$

- $S(t)=\bar{S}(t) \exp (r(T-t))$ is the forward price of the underlying $\bar{S}(t)$, with $r$ an interest rate, $S_{0}$ the spot price and $T$ the maturity.
- $\sigma(t)$ is the stochastic volatility.
- $W_{f}(t)$ and $W_{\sigma}(t)$ are two correlated Brownian motions.
- SABR parameters:
- The volatility of the volatility, $\alpha>0$.
- The CEV elasticity, $0 \leq \beta \leq 1$.
- The correlation coefficient, $\rho\left(W_{f} W_{\sigma}=\rho t\right)$.


## "Exact" simulation of SABR model

- Based on [7], the conditional cumulative distribution function (CDF) of $S(t)$ in a generic interval $[s, t], 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ :

$$
\operatorname{Pr}\left(S(t) \leq K \mid S(s)>0, \sigma(s), \sigma(t), \int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z\right)=1-\chi^{2}(a ; b, c)
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& a=\frac{1}{\nu(t)}\left(\frac{S(s)^{1-\beta}}{(1-\beta)}+\frac{\rho}{\alpha}(\sigma(t)-\sigma(s))\right)^{2} \\
& c=\frac{K^{2(1-\beta)}}{(1-\beta)^{2} \nu(t)}, \\
& b=2-\frac{1-2 \beta-\rho^{2}(1-\beta)}{(1-\beta)\left(1-\rho^{2}\right)}, \\
& \nu(t)=\left(1-\rho^{2}\right) \int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z
\end{aligned}
$$

and $\chi^{2}(x ; \delta, \lambda)$ is the non-central chi-square CDF.

- Exact in the case of $\rho=0$, an approximation otherwise.


## Simulation of SABR model

- Simulation of the volatility process, $\sigma(t) \mid \sigma(s)$ :

$$
\sigma(t) \sim \sigma(s) \exp \left(\alpha \hat{W}_{\sigma}(t-s)-\frac{1}{2} \alpha^{2}(t-s)\right)
$$

where $\hat{W}_{\sigma}(t)$ is a independent Brownian motion.

- Simulation of the integrated variance process, $\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z \mid \sigma(t), \sigma(s)$.
- Simulation of the forward process, $S(t) \mid S(s), \int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z, \sigma(t), \sigma(s)$ by inverting the CDF.
- The conditional integrated variance is a challenging part.
- We propose:
- Approximate the conditional distribution by using Fourier techniques and copulas.
- Marginal distribution based on COS method [4].
- Conditional distribution based on copulas.
- Improvements in performance and efficiency.


## Distribution of the integrated variance

- Not available.
- For notational convenience, we will use $Y(s, t):=\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z$.
- Discrete equivalent, $M$ monitoring dates:

$$
Y(s, t):=\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z \approx \sum_{j=1}^{M} \Delta t \sigma^{2}\left(t_{j}\right)=: \hat{Y}(s, t)
$$

where $t_{j}=s+j \Delta t, j=1, \ldots, M$ and $\Delta t=\frac{t-s}{M}$.

- In the logarithmic domain, we aim to find an approximation of $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ :

$$
F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(x)=\int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(y) \mathrm{d} y
$$

where $f_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ is the probability density function (PDF) of $\log \hat{Y}(s, t) \mid \log \sigma(s)$.

## PDF of the integrated variance

- Equivalent: Characteristic function and inversion (Fourier pair).
- Recursive procedure to derive an approximated $\phi_{\log } \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)$.
- We start by defining the logarithmic increment of $\sigma^{2}(t)$ :

$$
R_{j}=\log \left(\frac{\sigma^{2}\left(t_{j}\right)}{\sigma^{2}\left(t_{j-1}\right)}\right), j=1, \ldots, M
$$

- $\sigma^{2}\left(t_{j}\right)$ can be written:

$$
\sigma^{2}\left(t_{j}\right)=\sigma^{2}\left(t_{0}\right) \exp \left(R_{1}+R_{2}+\cdots+R_{j}\right)
$$

- We introduce the iterative process

$$
\begin{aligned}
& Y_{1}=R_{M} \\
& Y_{j}=R_{M+1-j}+Z_{j-1}, \quad j=2, \ldots, M
\end{aligned}
$$

with $Z_{j}=\log \left(1+\exp \left(Y_{j}\right)\right)$.

## PDF of the integrated variance (cont.)

- $\hat{Y}(s, t)$ can be expressed:

$$
\hat{Y}(s, t)=\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sigma^{2}\left(t_{i}\right) \Delta t=\Delta t \sigma^{2}(s) \exp \left(Y_{M}\right)
$$

- And, we compute $\phi_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(u)$, as follows:

$$
\phi_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(u)=\exp \left(i u \log \left(\Delta t \sigma^{2}(s)\right)\right) \phi_{Y_{M}}(u)
$$

- By applying COS method [4] in the support [â, $\hat{b}]$ :

$$
f_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(x) \approx \frac{2}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1^{\prime}} C_{k} \cos \left((x-\hat{a}) \frac{k \pi}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}}\right),
$$

with

$$
C_{k}=\Re\left(\phi_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}\left(\frac{k \pi}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}}\right) \exp \left(-i \frac{\hat{a} k \pi}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}}\right)\right)
$$

## CDF of the integrated variance

- The CDF of $\log \hat{Y}(s, t) \mid \log \sigma(s)$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(x) & =\int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}(y) \mathrm{d} y \\
& \approx \int_{\hat{a}}^{x} \frac{2}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1^{\prime}} C_{k} \cos \left((y-\hat{a}) \frac{k \pi}{\hat{b}-\hat{a}}\right) \mathrm{d} y
\end{aligned}
$$

- The efficient computation of $\phi_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ is crucial for the performance of the whole procedure (specially, one-step case).
- The inversion of $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ is relatively expensive (unafforable in the multi-step case).


## Copula-based simulation of $\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z \mid \sigma(t), \sigma(s)$

- In order to apply copulas, we need (logarithmic domain):
- $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$.
- $F_{\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)}$.
- Correlation between $\log Y(s, t)$ and $\log \sigma(t)$.
- The distribution of $\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)$ is known $(\sigma(t)$ follows a log-normal distribution).
- Approximated Pearson's correlation coefficient:

$$
\mathcal{P}_{\log Y, \log \sigma(t)} \approx \frac{t^{2}-s^{2}}{2 \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{3} t^{4}+\frac{2}{3} t s^{3}-t^{2} s^{2}\right)}}
$$

- For some copulas, like Archimedean, Kendall's $\tau$ is required:

$$
\mathcal{P}=\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \tau\right)
$$

## Sampling $\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z \mid \sigma(t), \sigma(s)$ : Steps

(1) Determine $F_{\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ and $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$.
(2) Determine the correlation between $\log Y(s, t)$ and $\log \sigma(t)$.
(3) Generate correlated uniform samples, $U_{\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ and $U_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ by means of copula.
(9) From $U_{\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ and $U_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ invert original marginal distributions.
(5) The samples of $\sigma(t) \mid \sigma(s)$ and $Y(s, t)=\int_{s}^{t} \sigma^{2}(z) \mathrm{d} z \mid \sigma(t), \sigma(s)$ are obtained by taking exponentials.

## One time-step simulation of the SABR model

- $s=0$ and $t=T$, with $T$ the maturity time.
- The use is restricted to price European options up to $T=2$.
- $\log \sigma(s)$ becomes constant.
- $F_{\log \sigma(t) \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ and $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ turn into $F_{\log \sigma(T)}$ and $F_{\log \hat{Y}(T)}$.
- The computation of $\phi_{\log \hat{Y}(T)}$ is much simpler and very fast.
- The approximated Pearson's coefficient results in a constant value:

$$
\mathcal{P}_{\log Y(T), \log \sigma(T)} \approx \frac{T^{2}}{2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} T^{4}}}=\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}
$$

## Approximated correlation



Figure: Pearson's coefficient: Empirical (surface) vs. approximation (red gनेid)

## Copula analysis

- Based on the one-step simulation, a copula analysis is carried out.
- Gaussian, Student t and Archimedean (Clayton, Frank and Gumbel).
- A goodness-of-fit (GOF) for copulas needs to be evaluated.
- Archimedean: graphic GOF based on Kendall's processes.
- Generic GOF based on the so-called Deheuvels or empirical copula.

|  | $S_{0}$ | $\sigma_{0}$ | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\rho$ | $T$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Set I | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 2 |
| Set II | 0.05 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | -0.8 | 0.5 |
| Set III | 0.04 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 | -0.5 | 2 |
| Table: Data sets. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## GOF - Archimedean



Figure: Archimedean GOF test: $\hat{\lambda}(u)$ vs. empirical $\lambda(u)$.

|  | Clayton | Frank | Gumbel |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Set I | $1.3469 \times 10^{-3}$ | $2.9909 \times 10^{-4}$ | $5.1723 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| Set II | $1.0885 \times 10^{-3}$ | $2.1249 \times 10^{-4}$ | $8.4834 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| Set III | $2.1151 \times 10^{-3}$ | $7.5271 \times 10^{-4}$ | $2.6664 \times 10^{-4}$ |

Table: MSE of $\hat{\lambda}(u)-\lambda(u)$.

## Generic GOF

|  | Gaussian | Student t $(\nu=5)$ | Gumbel |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Set I | $5.0323 \times 10^{-3}$ | $5.0242 \times 10^{-3}$ | $3.8063 \times 10^{-3}$ |
| Set II | $3.1049 \times 10^{-3}$ | $3.0659 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4.5703 \times 10^{-3}$ |
| Set III | $5.9439 \times 10^{-3}$ | $6.0041 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4.3210 \times 10^{-3}$ |

Table: Generic GOF: $D_{2}$.

- The three copulas perform very similarly.
- For longer maturities: Gumbel performs better.
- The Student $\mathbf{t}$ copula is discarded: very similar to the Gaussian copula and the calibration of the $\nu$ parameter adds extra complexity.
- As a general strategy, the Gumbel copula is the most robust choice.
- With short maturities, the Gaussian copula may be a satisfactory alternative.


## Pricing European options

- The strike values $K_{i}$ are chosen following the expression:

$$
\begin{aligned}
K_{i}(T) & =S(0) \exp \left(0.1 \times T \times \delta_{i}\right) \\
\delta_{i} & =-1.5,-1.0,-0.5,0.0,0.5,1.0,1.5
\end{aligned}
$$

- Forward asset, $S(t)$ : enhanced inversion by Chen et al. [3].
- Martingale correction:

$$
\begin{aligned}
S(t) & =S(t)-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S_{i}(t)+\mathbb{E}[S(t)] \\
& =S(t)-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S_{i}(t)+S_{0}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Pricing European options - Convergence and time

|  | $n=1000$ | $n=10000$ | $n=100000$ | $n=1000000$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gaussian (Set I, K $\left.K_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |
| Error | 519.58 | 132.39 | 37.42 | 16.23 |
| Time | 0.3386 | 0.3440 | 0.3857 | 0.5733 |
|  | Gumbel $\left(\right.$ Set $\left.\mathrm{I}, K_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |
| Error | 151.44 | -123.76 | 34.14 | 11.59 |
| Time | 0.3492 | 0.3561 | 0.3874 | 0.6663 |

Table: Convergence in number of samples, $n$ : error (basis points) and execution time (sec.).

## Pricing European options - Implied volatilities

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | $K_{4}$ | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Set I (Reference: Antonov [1]) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagan | 55.07 | 52.34 | 50.08 | N/A | 47.04 | 46.26 | 45.97 |  |
| MC | 23.50 | 21.41 | 19.38 | N/A | 16.59 | 15.58 | 14.63 |  |
| Gaussian | 16.23 | 20.79 | 24.95 | N/A | 33.40 | 37.03 | 40.72 |  |
| Gumbel | 11.59 | 15.57 | 19.12 | N/A | 25.41 | 28.66 | 31.79 |  |
|  |  | Set II (Reference: Korn [8]) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagan | -558.82 | -492.37 | -432.11 | -377.47 | -327.92 | -282.98 | -242.22 |  |
| MC | 5.30 | 6.50 | 7.85 | 9.32 | 10.82 | 12.25 | 13.66 |  |
| Gaussian | 9.93 | 9.98 | 10.02 | 10.20 | 10.57 | 10.73 | 11.04 |  |
| Gumbel | -9.93 | -9.38 | -8.94 | -8.35 | -7.69 | -6.83 | -5.79 |  |
|  |  | Set III (Reference: MC Milstein) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hagan | 287.05 | 252.91 | 220.39 | 190.36 | 163.87 | 141.88 | 126.39 |  |
| Gaussian | 16.10 | 16.76 | 16.62 | 15.22 | 13.85 | 12.29 | 10.67 |  |
| Gumbel | 6.99 | 3.79 | 0.67 | -2.27 | -5.57 | -9.79 | -14.06 |  |

Table: Implied volatility: errors in basis points.

- One-step SABR simulation is a fast alternative to Hagan formula.
- Overcomes the known issues, like low strikes and high volatilities.
- For longer maturities and more complex options: multiple time-step


## Multiple time-step simulation of the SABR model

- We denote it mSABR simulation method (scheme).
- In intermediate steps, $\phi_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ becomes "stochastic".
- $f_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ needs to be computed for each sample of $\log \sigma(s)$.
- Consequently, the inversion of $F_{\log \hat{Y} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$ is unaffordable $(n \uparrow \uparrow)$.
- Solution: Stochastic Collocation Monte Carlo (SCMC) sampler [5].

$$
y_{n} \mid v_{n} \approx g_{L_{\hat{\gamma}}, L_{\sigma}}\left(x_{n}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{L_{\hat{\gamma}}} \sum_{j=1}^{L_{\sigma}} F_{\log \hat{\gamma} \mid \log \sigma(s)=v_{j}}^{-1}\left(F_{X}\left(x_{i}\right)\right) \ell_{i}\left(x_{n}\right) \ell_{j}\left(v_{n}\right),
$$

where $x_{n}$ are the samples from the cheap variable, $X$, and $v_{n}$ the given samples of $\log \sigma(s) . x_{i}$ and $v_{j}$ are the collocation points of $X$ and $\log \sigma(s)$, respectively. $\ell_{i}$ and $\ell_{j}$ are the Lagrange polynomials defined by

$$
\ell_{i}\left(x_{n}\right)=\prod_{k=1, k \neq i}^{L_{\hat{\gamma}}} \frac{x_{n}-x_{k}}{x_{i}-x_{k}}, \quad \ell_{j}\left(v_{n}\right)=\prod_{k=1, k \neq j}^{L_{\sigma}} \frac{v_{n}-v_{k}}{v_{i}-v_{k}}
$$

## Application of 2D SCMC to $F_{\log \hat{\gamma} \mid \log \sigma(s)}$



| Samples | Without SCMC | With SCMC |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $L_{\hat{\gamma}}=L_{\sigma}=3$ | $L_{\hat{\gamma}}=L_{\sigma}=7$ | $L_{\hat{\gamma}}=L_{\sigma}=11$ |
| 100 | 1.0695 | 0.0449 | 0.0466 | 0.0660 |
| 10000 | 16.3483 | 0.0518 | 0.0588 | 0.0798 |
| 1000000 | 1624.3019 | 0.2648 | 0.5882 | 1.0940 |

## mSABR method - Experiments

- The strike values $K_{i}$ are chosen following the expression:

$$
\begin{aligned}
K_{i}(T) & =S(0) \exp \left(0.1 \times T \times \delta_{i}\right) \\
\delta_{i} & =-1.5,-1.0,-0.5,0.0,0.5,1.0,1.5
\end{aligned}
$$

- Forward asset, $S(t)$ : enhanced inversion by Chen et al. [3].
- Martingale correction:

$$
S(t)=S(t)-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S_{i}(t)+S_{0}
$$

- New data sets:

|  | $S_{0}$ | $\sigma_{0}$ | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\rho$ | $T$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Set I [5] | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 4 |
| Set II [3] | 0.04 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.0 | -0.5 | 5 |
| Set III [1] | 1.0 | 0.25 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -0.5 | 20 |
| Set IV [2] | 0.0056 | 0.011 | 1.080 | 0.167 | 0.999 | 1 |

Table: Data sets.

## mSABR method - Convergence test I

- Convergence in number of time-steps, $m$ : Antonov vs. mSABR. Set I.

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | $K_{4}$ | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Antonov | $73.34 \%$ | $71.73 \%$ | $70.17 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $67.23 \%$ | $65.87 \%$ | $64.59 \%$ |
| $m=T / 4$ | $73.13 \%$ | $71.75 \%$ | $70.41 \%$ | $69.11 \%$ | $67.85 \%$ | $66.64 \%$ | $65.48 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | -21.51 | 2.54 | 24.38 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | 61.71 | 76.66 | 89.26 |
| $m=T / 2$ | $73.30 \%$ | $71.78 \%$ | $70.29 \%$ | $68.86 \%$ | $67.49 \%$ | $66.17 \%$ | $64.93 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | -4.12 | 4.94 | 12.71 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | 25.48 | 30.40 | 34.73 |
| $m=T$ | $73.25 \%$ | $71.67 \%$ | $70.14 \%$ | $68.66 \%$ | $67.24 \%$ | $65.89 \%$ | $64.62 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | -9.56 | -5.93 | -2.79 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | 0.92 | 2.21 | 3.17 |
| $m=2 T$ | $73.32 \%$ | $71.71 \%$ | $70.16 \%$ | $68.65 \%$ | $67.22 \%$ | $65.85 \%$ | $64.55 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | -2.08 | -1.56 | -1.20 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | -1.65 | -2.35 | -3.36 |
| $m=4 T$ | $73.34 \%$ | $71.73 \%$ | $70.18 \%$ | $68.67 \%$ | $67.24 \%$ | $65.87 \%$ | $64.58 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | 0.15 | 0.58 | 0.78 | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | 0.43 | 0.04 | -0.48 |

## mSABR method - Convergence test II

- Convergence in number of samples, $n$ : Antonov vs. mSABR. Set I.

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | $K_{4}$ | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Antonov | $73.34 \%$ | $71.73 \%$ | $70.17 \%$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $67.23 \%$ | $65.87 \%$ | $64.59 \%$ |
| $n=10^{2}$ | $67.29 \%$ | $65.55 \%$ | $63.84 \%$ | $62.20 \%$ | $60.63 \%$ | $59.01 \%$ | $57.65 \%$ |
| RE | $8.24 \times 10^{-2}$ | $8.61 \times 10^{-2}$ | $9.01 \times 10^{-2}$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $9.82 \times 10^{-2}$ | $1.04 \times 10^{-1}$ | $1.07 \times 10^{-1}$ |
| $n=10^{4}$ | $73.41 \%$ | $71.87 \%$ | $70.36 \%$ | $68.91 \%$ | $67.51 \%$ | $66.19 \%$ | $64.94 \%$ |
| RE | $9.65 \times 10^{-4}$ | $1.94 \times 10^{-3}$ | $2.75 \times 10^{-3}$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $4.08 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4.93 \times 10^{-3}$ | $5.48 \times 10^{-3}$ |
| $n=10^{6}$ | $73.34 \%$ | $71.73 \%$ | $70.18 \%$ | $68.67 \%$ | $67.24 \%$ | $65.87 \%$ | $64.58 \%$ |
| RE | $2.04 \times 10^{-5}$ | $8.08 \times 10^{-5}$ | $1.11 \times 10^{-4}$ | $\mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A}$ | $6.39 \times 10^{-5}$ | $6.07 \times 10^{-6}$ | $7.43 \times 10^{-5}$ |



## mSABR method - Stability in $\rho$

- Implied volatility, varying $\rho$ : Monte Carlo (MC) vs. mSABR. Set II.

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | $K_{4}$ | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\rho=-0.5$ |  |  |  |  |
| MC | $22.17 \%$ | $21.25 \%$ | $20.38 \%$ | $19.57 \%$ | $18.88 \%$ | $18.33 \%$ | $17.95 \%$ |
| mSABR | $22.21 \%$ | $21.28 \%$ | $20.39 \%$ | $19.58 \%$ | $18.88 \%$ | $18.32 \%$ | $17.94 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | 3.59 | 2.86 | 1.78 | 0.95 | -0.19 | -0.96 | -1.10 |
|  |  |  |  | $\rho=0.0$ |  |  |  |
| MC | $21.35 \%$ | $20.96 \%$ | $20.71 \%$ | $20.63 \%$ | $20.71 \%$ | $20.96 \%$ | $21.34 \%$ |
| mSABR | $21.35 \%$ | $20.95 \%$ | $20.69 \%$ | $20.60 \%$ | $20.68 \%$ | $20.93 \%$ | $21.32 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | 0.04 | -1.04 | -2.51 | -3.02 | -3.33 | -3.19 | -2.56 |
|  |  |  |  | $\rho=0.5$ |  |  |  |
| MC | $19.66 \%$ | $20.04 \%$ | $20.61 \%$ | $21.34 \%$ | $22.20 \%$ | $23.14 \%$ | $24.16 \%$ |
| mSABR | $19.59 \%$ | $19.96 \%$ | $20.54 \%$ | $21.28 \%$ | $22.15 \%$ | $23.11 \%$ | $24.11 \%$ |
| Error(bp) | -6.93 | -7.36 | -6.77 | -5.53 | -4.35 | -3.76 | -4.05 |

## mSABR method - Performance

- But, is it worth to use the mSABR method?

| Error | $<100 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<50 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<25 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<10 \mathrm{bp}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MC Euler | $6.85(200)$ | $10.71(300)$ | $27.42(800)$ | $42.90(1200)$ |
| $Y$-Euler | $2.18(4)$ | $6.55(16)$ | $11.85(32)$ | $45.12(128)$ |
| $Y$-trpz | $2.17(3)$ | $4.24(8)$ | $7.25(16)$ | $14.47(32)$ |
| mSABR | $3.46(1)$ | $2.98(2)$ | $3.72(3)$ | $4.89(4)$ |

Table: Execution times and time-steps, $m$ (parentheses).

| Error | $<100 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<50 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<25 \mathrm{bp}$ | $<10 \mathrm{bp}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MC Euler | 1.98 | 3.59 | 7.37 | 8.77 |
| $Y$-Euler | 0.63 | 2.19 | 3.18 | 9.22 |
| $Y$-trpz | 0.62 | 1.42 | 1.94 | 2.95 |

Table: Speedups provided by the mSABR method.

## mSABR method - Pricing barrier options

- The up-and-out call option is considered here
- The price, with the barrier level, $B, B>S_{0}, B>K_{i}$, reads:

$$
V_{i}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right)=\exp (-r T) \mathbb{E}\left[\left(S(T)-K_{i}\right) \mathbb{1}\left(\max _{0<t_{k} \leq T} S\left(t_{k}\right)>B\right)\right]
$$

where $t_{k}$ are the times where the barrier condition is checked.

- Setting: $n=10^{6}$ and $m=4 T$.
- We define the mean squared error (MSE) as

$$
\mathrm{MSE}=\frac{1}{7} \sum_{i=1}^{7}\left(V_{i}^{M C}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right)-V_{i}^{m S A B R}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right)\right)^{2}
$$

where $V_{i}^{M C}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right)$ and $V_{i}^{m S A B R}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right)$ are the barrier option prices provided by standard Monte Carlo method and by the mSABR method, respectively.

## mSABR method - Pricing barrier options

- Pricing barrier options with mSABR: $V_{i}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right) \times 100$. Set II:

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | K | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $B=0.08$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 1.1702 | 0.9465 | 0.7268 | 0.5215 | 0.3423 | 0.1996 | 0.0987 |
| mSABR | 1.1724 | 0.9486 | 0.7285 | 0.5226 | 0.3428 | 0.1997 | 0.0986 |
| MSE | 1.8910 | $10^{-10}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B=0.1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 1.3099 | 1.0766 | 0.8462 | 0.6290 | 0.4367 | 0.2794 | 0.1626 |
| mSABR | 1.3092 | 1.0761 | 0.8456 | 0.6282 | 0.4355 | 0.2782 | 0.1618 |
| MSE | 7.5542 | $10^{-11}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B=0.12$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 1.3521 | 1.1168 | 0.8841 | 0.6644 | 0.4695 | 0.3093 | 0.1891 |
| mSABR | 1.3518 | 1.1166 | 0.8838 | 0.6639 | 0.4686 | 0.3080 | 0.1880 |
| MSE | 6.3648 | $10^{-11}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

- Pricing barrier options with mSABR: $V_{i}\left(K_{i}, B, T\right) \times 100$. Set III:

| Strikes | $K_{1}$ | $K_{2}$ | $K_{3}$ | $K_{4}$ | $K_{5}$ | $K_{6}$ | $K_{7}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $B=2.0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 29.1174 | 23.4804 | 17.2273 | 10.7825 | 5.0203 | 1.1750 | 0.0036 |
| mSABR | 29.2346 | 23.5828 | 17.3086 | 10.8327 | 5.0385 | 1.1805 | 0.0036 |
| MSE | 4.8146 | $0^{-7}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B=2.5$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 41.3833 | 34.5497 | 26.8311 | 18.6089 | 10.7281 | 4.4893 | 0.9434 |
| mSABR | 41.3394 | 34.5097 | 26.7948 | 18.5747 | 10.6943 | 4.4546 | 0.9320 |
| MSE | 1.2131 | $0^{-7}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B=3.0$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MC | 48.5254 | 41.1652 | 32.7980 | 23.7807 | 14.9344 | 7.5364 | 2.6692 |
| mSABR | 48.5008 | 41.1515 | 32.7888 | 23.7655 | 14.9097 | 7.5117 | 2.6549 |
| MSE | 3.6201 | $0^{-8}$ |  |  | 4 ロ ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | - ${ }^{\text {F }}$ | 4 三 |

## mSABR method - Negative interest rates

- The mSABR method in combination with the shifted SABR model:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{d} S(t) & =\sigma(t)(S(t)+\theta)^{\beta} \mathrm{d} W_{S}(t) \\
S(0) & =\left(S_{0}+\theta\right) \exp (r T)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\theta>0$ is a displacement, or shift, in the underlying.

- Setting: $n=10^{6}, m=4 T$ and $\theta=0.02$.

(e) Set IV

(f) Set IV; $S_{0} \equiv 0$


## Conclusions

- We propose an efficient SABR simulation based on Fourier and copula techniques.
- The one-step SABR is a fast alternative to Hagan formula for short maturities.
- Overcomes the known issues of Hagan's expression.
- When longer maturities and/or more involved options are considered, multi-step version.
- High accuracy with very few number of time-steps, even in the context of negative interest rates.
- Good balance between accuracy and computational cost.

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