

# IMPA Commodities Course : Spot Models

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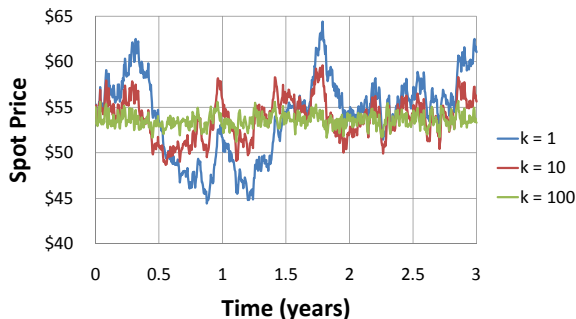
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# Schwartz's One-Factor Spot Model

- **Swartz(1997)** introduced a **mean-reverting** spot model:

$$dS_t = \kappa(\theta - \ln S_t) S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t$$

$W_t$  is a Wiener process under the **real-world measure**  $\mathbb{P}$ .



# Schwartz's One-Factor Spot Model

- In this model, prices are **log-normal**

$$S_{t+\Delta t} = \exp \left\{ \theta' + (\ln(S_t) - \theta')e^{-\kappa \Delta t} + \sigma \int_t^{t+\Delta t} e^{-\kappa(t+\Delta t-u)} dW_u \right\}$$

where  $\theta' = \theta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ .

# Schwartz's One-Factor Spot Model

- The **mean** of log-spot prices is

$$\mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{P}}[\ln(S_{t+\Delta t}/S_t)] = \theta' + (\ln(S_t) - \theta')e^{-\kappa \Delta t}$$

- The **variance** of log-spot prices is

$$\text{Var}_t^{\mathbb{P}}[\ln(S_{t+\Delta t}/S_t)] = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa} \left(1 - e^{-2\kappa \Delta t}\right)$$

- Notice that the mean and variance are bounded for all time
- **Invariant distribution** of log-prices is normal with mean =  $\theta'$  & variance =  $\sigma^2/2\kappa$

# One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- **Forward prices** with **stock underliers** are given by  $F_t(T) = \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}}[S_T]$  where drift of  $S_t$  under  $\mathbb{Q}$  is  $r$
- **Forward prices** with **commodity underliers** must incorporate:
  - P.V. of **storage costs**  $C$  in the Forward price for the **buyer**:

$$F_t(T) \leq (S_t + C) e^{r(T-t)}$$

- P.V. of premium (or **convenience yield**) for giving up the commodity in the Forward price for the **seller**:

$$F_t(T) \geq (S_t + C) e^{r(T-t)} - Y$$

## One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- Can satisfy bounds by writing

$$F_t(T) = S_t \exp \left\{ \int_t^T (r + c_t(s) - y_t(s)) ds \right\}$$

- In general, introduce a new measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  induced by the **Radon-Nikodym derivative** process:

$$\left( \frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}} \right)_t \triangleq \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \lambda_s ds + \int_0^t \lambda_s dW_s \right\}$$

- Then  $\overline{W}_t \triangleq \int_t^T \lambda_s ds + W_t$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}$  Wiener process and

$$dS_t = [\mu_t - \sigma \lambda_t] S_t dt + \sigma S_t d\overline{W}_t$$

- $\lambda_s$  is the **market price of risk**



# One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- For Schwartz model, choosing  $\lambda_s = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 \ln S_t$ , maintains mean-reverting model class with new parameters

$$dS_t = \bar{\kappa}(\bar{\theta} - \ln S_t) S_t dt + \sigma S_t d\bar{W}_t$$

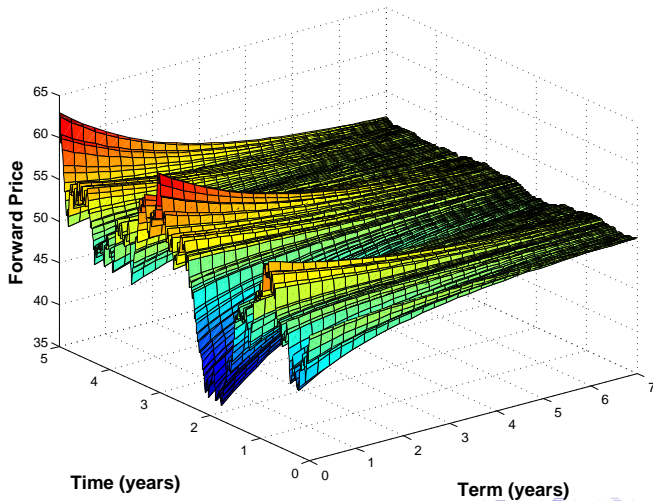
- **Forward prices** are then easily obtained

$$F_t(T) \triangleq \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [S_T]$$

$$= \exp \left\{ \bar{\theta}' + (\ln(S_t) - \bar{\theta}') e^{-\bar{\kappa}(T-t)} + \frac{\sigma^2}{4\bar{\kappa}} \left( 1 - e^{-2\bar{\kappa}(T-t)} \right) \right\}$$

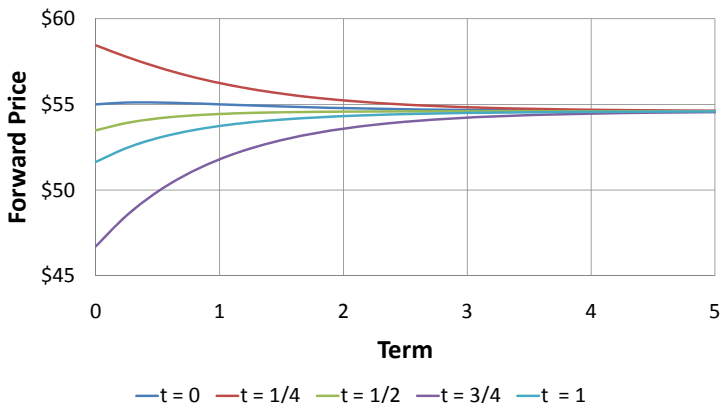
# One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

Sample path of forward price curves:



# One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

Forward curves at quarterly time intervals:



## One-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- For a **fixed maturity date**, forward prices are exponential martingales:

$$\frac{dF_t(T)}{F_t(T)} = \sigma e^{-\bar{\kappa}(T-t)} d\bar{W}_t$$

- For a **fixed term**, forward prices (i.e.  $X_t \triangleq F_t(t + \tau)$ ) are mean-reverting:

$$dX_t = \bar{\kappa}(h_t - X_t) dt + \sigma e^{-\bar{\kappa}\tau} d\bar{W}_t$$

where  $h_t$  is a deterministic function of time.

- Notice as  $T$  (or  $\tau$ )  $\rightarrow \infty$  the vol tends to zero

# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Spot

- **Call Option** on Spot:

$$\begin{aligned} C_t &= \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [e^{-r\tau} (S_T - K)_+] \\ &= S_t e^{(\bar{\mu}-r)\tau} \Phi(d_+^*) - K e^{-r\tau} \Phi(d_-^*) \end{aligned}$$

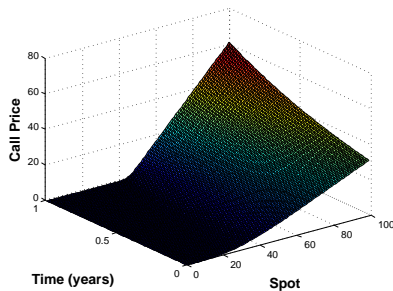
where 
$$d_{\pm} = \frac{\ln(S/K) + (\bar{\mu} \pm \frac{1}{2}\bar{\sigma}^2)\tau}{\sqrt{\bar{\sigma}^2 \tau}}$$

$$\bar{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\bar{\kappa}\tau} (1 - e^{-2\bar{\kappa}\tau})$$

$$\bar{\mu} = \frac{1}{\tau} \left\{ (\bar{\theta}' - \ln(S_t))(1 - e^{-\bar{\kappa}\tau}) + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\sigma}^2 \right\}$$

# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Spot

- **Call Option** on Spot:



(a)  $\kappa = 0.50$

# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Forwards

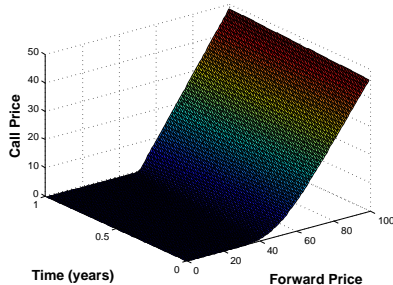
- **Call Option** on Forward:

$$\begin{aligned} C_t &= \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [e^{-r\tau} (F_T(U) - K)_+] \\ &= e^{-r\tau} \{F_t(U) \Phi(d_+^*) - K \Phi(d_-^*)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } d_{\pm}^* &= \frac{\ln(F_t(U)/K) \pm \frac{1}{2}(\sigma^*)^2\tau}{\sqrt{(\sigma^*)^2\tau}} \\ (\sigma^*)^2 &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2\bar{\kappa}\tau} (e^{-2\bar{\kappa}(U-T)} - e^{-2\bar{\kappa}(U-t)}) \end{aligned}$$

# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Forwards

- **Call Option** on Forward:



(b)  $\kappa = 0.50$



# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Forwards

- **Calendar Spread Option** on Forward:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_t &= \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [e^{-r\tau} (F_T(U_1) - F_T(U_2))_+] \\
 &= e^{-r\tau} \left\{ F_t(U_1) \Phi(d_+^\dagger) - F_t(U_2) \Phi(d_-^\dagger) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $d_\pm^\dagger = \frac{\ln(F_t(U_1)/F_t(U_2)) \pm \frac{1}{2}(\sigma^\dagger)^2\tau}{\sqrt{(\sigma^\dagger)^2\tau}}$

$$(\sigma^\dagger)^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\bar{\kappa}\tau} (e^{-\bar{\kappa}(U_2-T)} - e^{-\bar{\kappa}(U_1-T)})^2 (1 - e^{-2\bar{\kappa}(T-t)})$$

# One-Factor Spot Model: Options on Forwards

- **Calender Spread Option** on Forward **with cost**:

$$C_t = \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [e^{-r\tau} (F_T(U_1) - F_T(U_2) - K)_+]$$

- Try it!

## Two-Factor Spot Models: Pilipovic

- One-factor models are only useful in the short term and do not match forward curves well
- **Pilipovic**(1997) introduced the following model to correct for this

$$dS_t = \kappa(\theta_t - S_t) dt + \sigma S_t dW_t^{(1)}$$

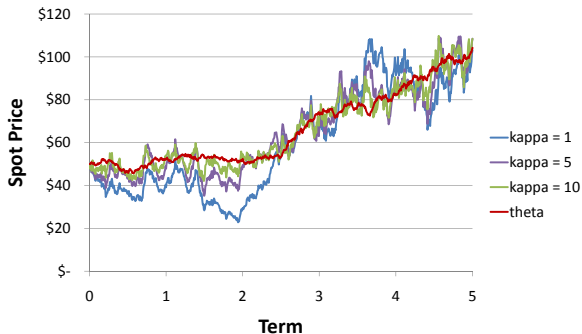
$$d\theta_t = \theta_t \left( \mu dt + \eta dW_t^{(2)} \right)$$

with  $W_t^{(1)}$  and  $W_t^{(2)}$  uncorrelated Wiener processes

- **Xu**(2004) generalized this model by incorporating seasonality, making  $\sigma$  time dependent and  $\theta_t$  an OU process

# Two-Factor Spot Models: Pilipovic

- Sample paths in the Pilipovic model:



# Two-Factor Spot Models: Pilipovic

- Can solve the system of SDEs to find

$$S_t = h_t \left( S_0 e^{-\kappa t} + \kappa \int_0^t \theta_u e^{-\kappa(t-u)} h_u^{-1} du \right)$$

$$h_t = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 t + \sigma W_t^{(1)} \right\}$$

$$\theta_t = \theta_0 \exp \left\{ (\mu - \frac{1}{2} \eta^2) t + \eta W_t^{(2)} \right\}$$

- Can obtain Forward Prices, but **distribution** of  $S_t$  is **not known**

# Two-Factor Spot Models: HJ

- **Barlow, Gusev, and Lai**(2004) and **Hikspoors & Jaimungal**(2007) introduced a more tractable generalization as follows

$$S_t = \exp\{g_t + X_t\}$$

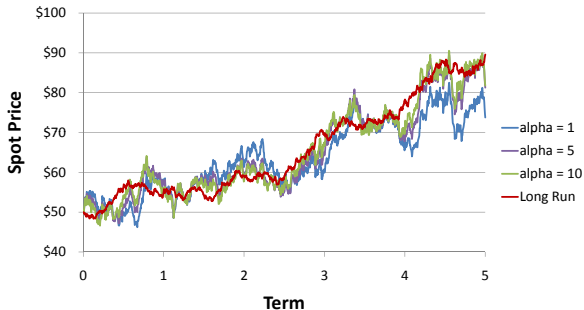
$$dX_t = \alpha(Y_t - X_t) dt + \sigma dW_t^{(1)}$$

$$dY_t = \beta(\phi - Y_t) dt + \eta dW_t^{(2)}$$

$W_t^{(1)}$  and  $W_t^{(2)}$  are correlated Wiener processes,  $g_t$  incorporates seasonality, and  $\sigma$  can easily be made deterministic

# Two-Factor Spot Models: HJ

- Sample paths in the HJ model:



## Two-Factor Spot Models: HJ

- Can show that

$$Y_t = \phi + (Y_0 - \phi) e^{-\beta t} + \eta \int_0^t e^{-\beta(t-u)} dW_u^{(2)};$$

$$X_t = G_{0,t} + e^{-\alpha t} X_0 + M_{0,t} Y_0 \\ + \sigma \int_0^t e^{-\alpha t} dW_u^{(1)} + \eta \int_0^t M_{u,t} dW_u^{(2)},$$

where

$$M_{s,t} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - \beta} \left( e^{-\beta(t-s)} - e^{-\alpha(t-s)} \right)$$

$$G_{s,t} = \phi(1 - e^{-\alpha(t-s)}) - \phi M_{s,t}$$

- Distribution of  $S_t$  is log-normal



## Two-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- Forward prices  $F_t(T)$  in the HJ model satisfy the PDE

$$\begin{cases} (\partial_t + \mathcal{L})F = 0, \\ F_T(T) = e^x. \end{cases}$$

- $\mathcal{L}$  is the infinitesimal generator of the processes  $(X_t, Y_t)$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = \alpha(y - x)\partial_x + \beta(\phi - y)\partial_y + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\partial_{xx} + \frac{1}{2}\eta^2\partial_{yy} + \rho\eta\sigma\partial_{xy}$$

## Two-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

- This is an **affine model** so that

$$F_t(T) = \exp\{a_t(T) + b_t(T) X_t + c_t(T) Y_t\}$$

for deterministic functions  $a_t(T)$ ,  $b_t(T)$  and  $c_t(T)$  of  $t$ .  
 Subject to

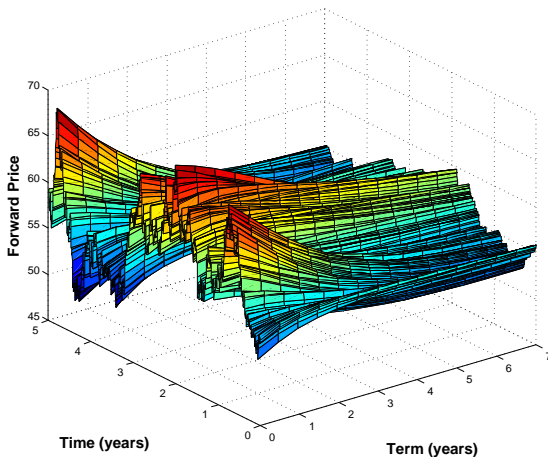
$$a_T(T) = 0, \quad b_T(T) = 1, \quad c_T(T) = 0$$

- These functions satisfy the coupled ODEs

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t b - \alpha b = 0, \\ \partial_t c - \beta c + \alpha b = 0, \\ \partial_t a + \phi \beta c + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 b^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta^2 c^2 + \sigma \eta \rho b c = 0. \end{array} \right.$$

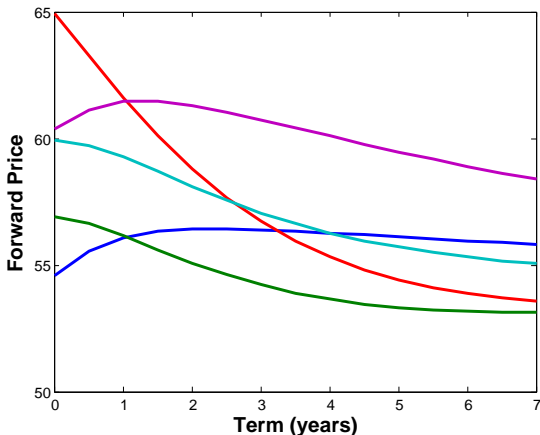
# Two-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

Sample path of forward price curves in the 2-factor HJ model



# Two-Factor Spot Model: Induced Forward Prices

forward price curves in the 2-factor HJ model



## Two-Factor Spot Model: Option Prices

- Forward prices for fixed maturity  $F_t(T)$  are once again exponential martingales

$$\frac{dF_t(T)}{F_t(T)} = \sigma b_t dW_t^{(1)} + \eta c_t dW_t^{(2)}$$

- Of course, both risk factors feed into the dynamics

## Two-Factor Spot Model: Option Prices

- Call option on Forward

$$C_t = e^{-r\tau} \{F_t(U) \Phi(d_+^*) - K \Phi(d_-^*)\}$$

where

$$d_{\pm}^* = \frac{\ln(F_t(U)/K) \pm \frac{1}{2}(\sigma^*)^2\tau}{\sqrt{(\sigma^*)^2\tau}}$$

$$(\sigma^*)^2 = \frac{1}{\tau} \left\{ (\sigma^2 + \bar{\eta}^2 - 2\rho\sigma\bar{\eta}) g(t, T, U, 2\alpha) + \bar{\eta}^2 g(t, T, U, 2\beta) - 2\bar{\eta}(\bar{\eta} + \rho\sigma) g(t, T, U, \alpha + \beta) \right\}$$

and

$$g(t, T, U, a) \triangleq \frac{1}{a} (e^{-a(U-T)} - e^{-a(U-t)}), \quad \bar{\eta} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - \beta} \eta$$

# Stochastic Convenience Yield Models

- **Gibson & Schwartz** (1990) introduced a stochastic convenience yield mode to correct one-factor models
- Spot price  $S_t$  is (conditionally) GBM with an OU process driving convenience yield  $\delta_t$

$$dS_t = S_t \left( (r - \delta_t) dt + \sigma_1 dW_t^{(1)} \right)$$

$$d\delta_t = [\kappa(\alpha - \delta_t) - \lambda] dt + \sigma_2 dW_t^{(2)}$$

where  $W_t^{(1)}$  and  $W_t^{(2)}$  correlated Wiener processes.

# Stochastic Convenience Yield Models

- **Jamshidian & Fein** (1990) demonstrated that forward prices are **affine**:

$$F_t(T) = S_t \exp\{a_t(T) - b_t(T) \delta_t\}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_t(T) &= \left( r - \alpha + \frac{\lambda}{\kappa} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma_2^2}{\kappa^2} - \frac{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rho}{\kappa} \right) (T - t) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \sigma_2^2 \frac{1 - e^{-2\kappa(T-t)}}{\kappa^3} \\ &\quad + \left( \left( \alpha - \frac{\lambda}{\kappa} \right) \kappa + \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rho - \frac{\sigma_2^2}{\kappa} \right) \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa(T-t)}}{\kappa^2} \\ b_t(T) &= \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa(T-t)}}{\kappa} \end{aligned}$$



# Stochastic Interest Rates

- **Schwartz (1997)** also extended the model to incorporate stochastic interest rates

$$dS_t = S_t \left( (r - \delta_t) dt + \sigma_S dW_t^{(1)} \right)$$

$$d\delta_t = [\kappa(\alpha - \delta_t) - \lambda] dt + \sigma_\delta dW_t^{(2)}$$

$$dr_t = \beta(\theta - r_t) dt + \sigma_r dW_t^{(3)}$$

- This model is also affine and it is possible to solve for forward prices and European option prices explicitly
- For commodities, there is no significant advantage gained by incorporating stochastic interest rates