

Lecture 12: Asymptotics

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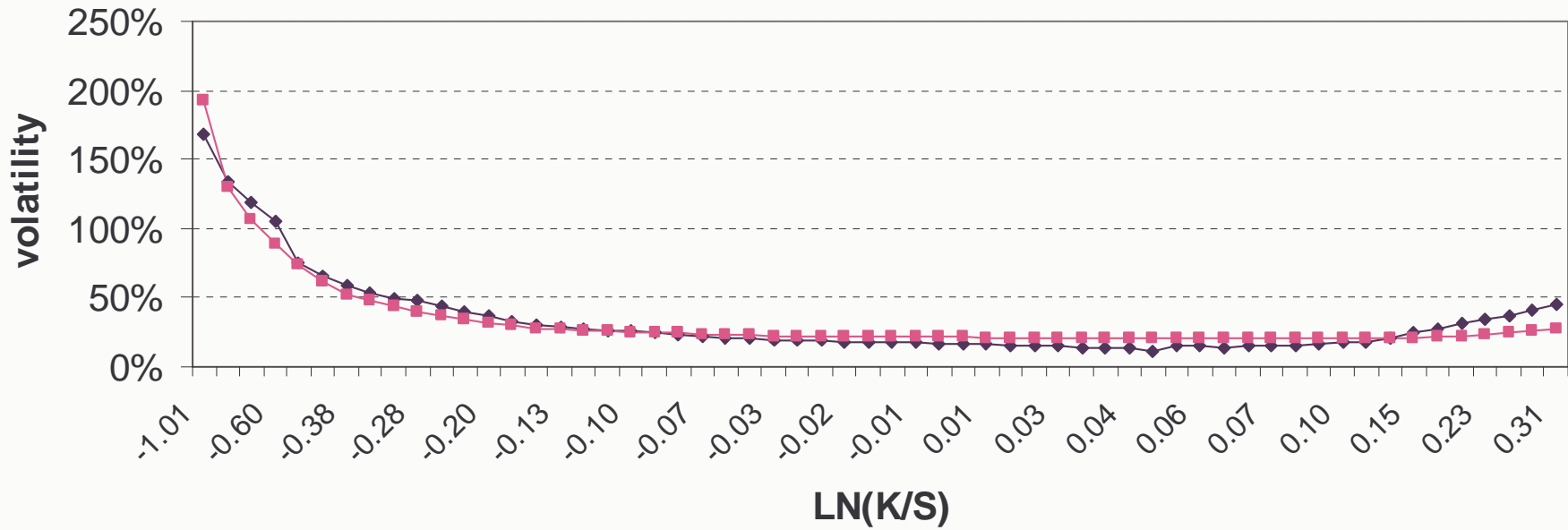
From SABR to Geodesics

A systematic approach for modeling volatility curves with applications to option market-making and pricing multi-asset equity derivatives

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Fitting Volatility Skews

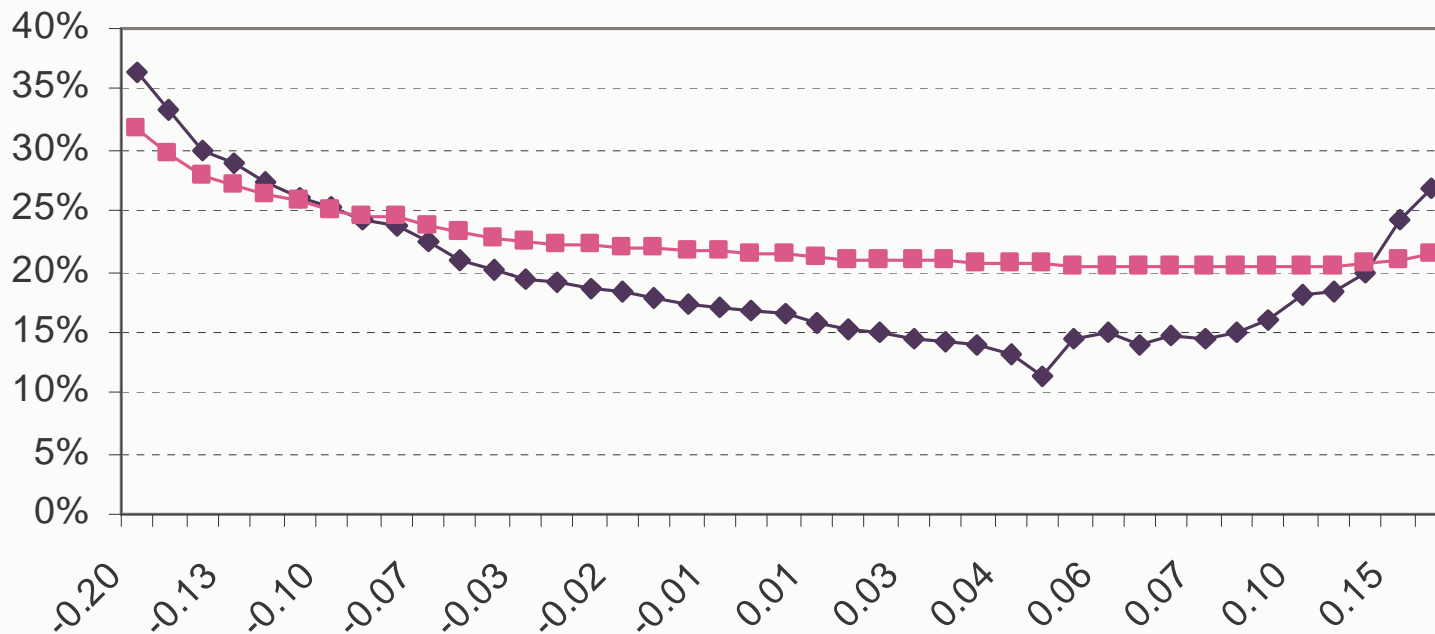
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Blue line= average implied vol (puts/calls)

Pink line= fitted parabola

Zoom into the region $-0.2 < \ln(K/F) < 0.2$



If you zoom into the region of interest, the parabolic fit is seen as clearly inadequate

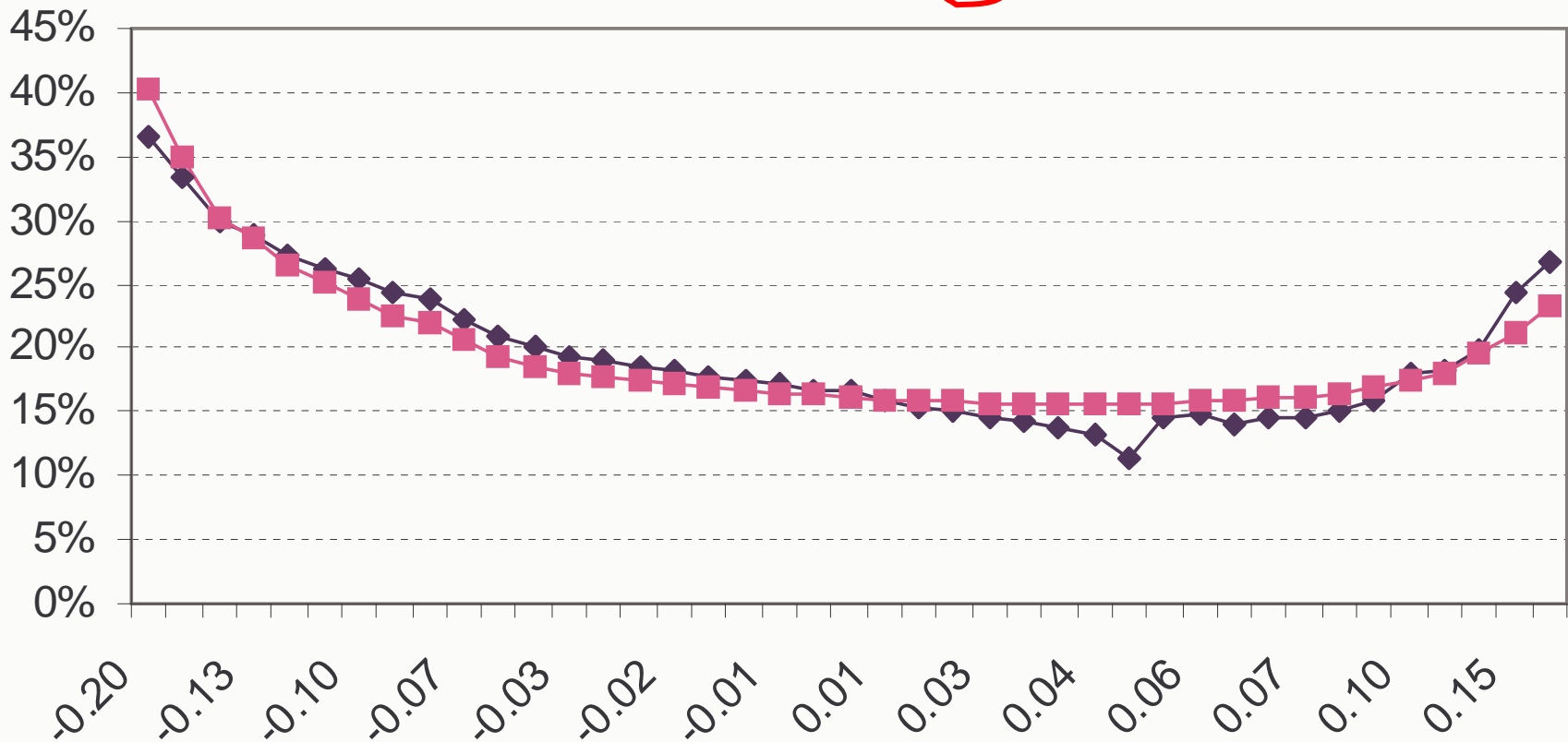
Reason: the out-of-the money options ``lift'' the curve

Parabolic fits are not consistent with arbitrage-free pricing

Parabolic fitting requires Delta Truncation!

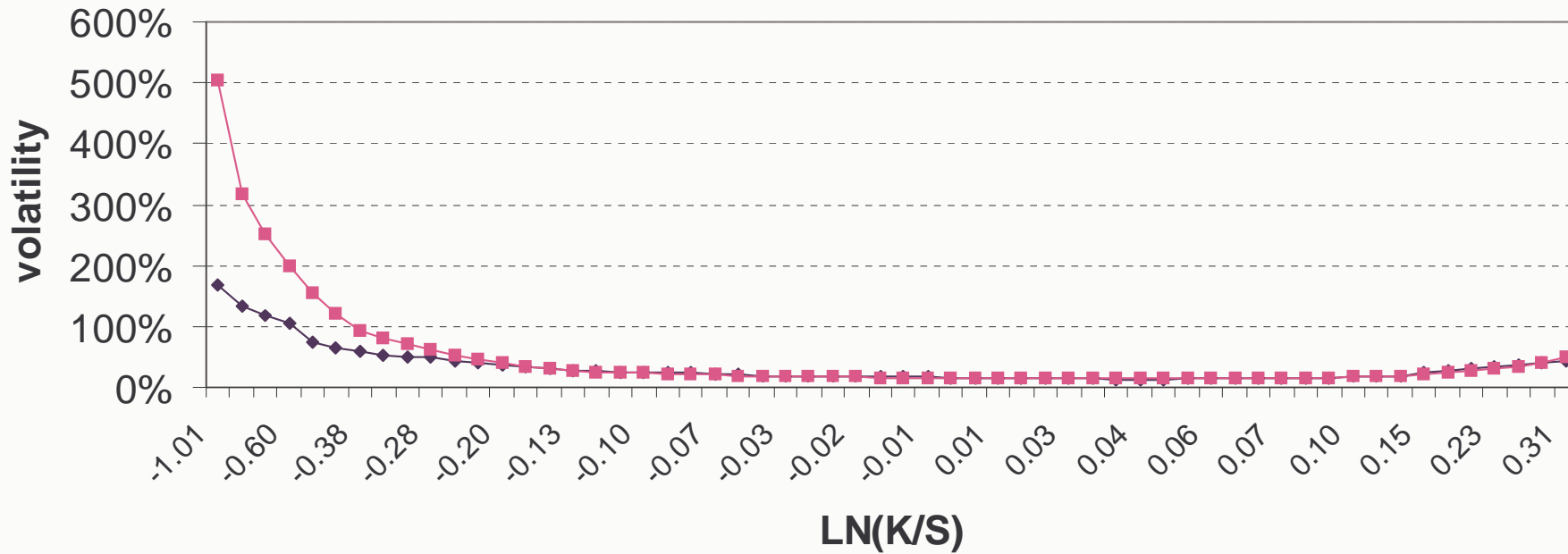
Fit only volatilities such that $-0.2 < x < +0.2$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{parabolic}}(x) &= 0.16 - 0.34x + 4.45x^2 \\ &= 0.16 \times \left(1 - \underbrace{2.1x + 27.33x^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$



Truncated Parabolic Fit: a look at the full curve

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Out of the money options are not guaranteed to be well-fitted

Using a better spline to fit the data (from SABR)

$$\sigma_{\text{imp}}(x) \approx \frac{\kappa|x|}{\ln \left(\kappa \left| \frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\sigma_0 \beta} \right| + \sqrt{1 + \kappa^2 \left(\frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\sigma_0 \beta} \right)^2} \right)}$$

$$x = \ln \left(\frac{K}{F_0} \right)$$

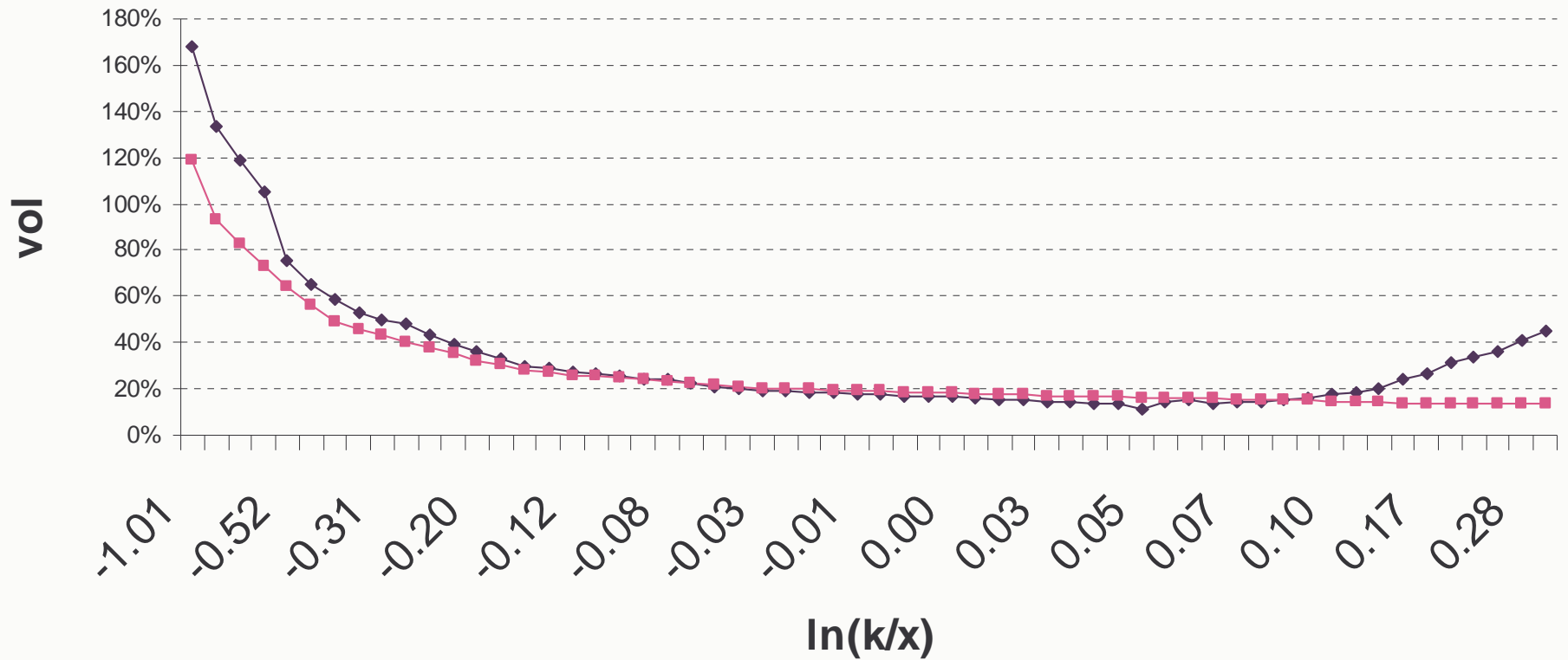
$$\gamma \equiv \text{slope}(x=0) = \frac{\beta}{2}$$

Sigma, beta and kappa are adjustable parameters

Formula is derived from a **stochastic volatility model** so it does not violate arbitrage conditions

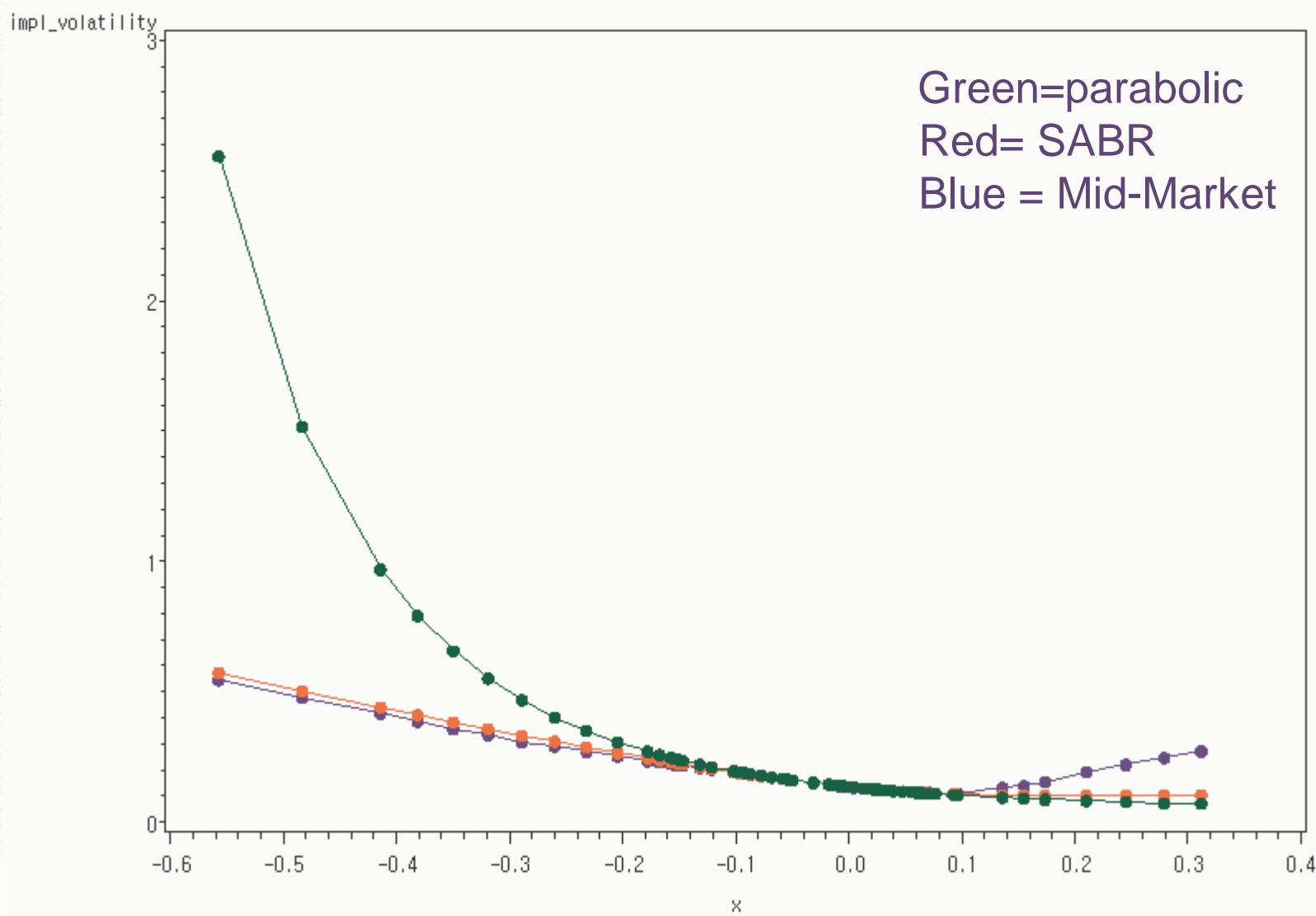
Fitting a SABR-like spline to the SPX front-month curve

SPX JUN06 SABR spline



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parabolic of optiondataspx on '05Oct04'd



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Differential Geometry and Implied Volatility Modeling

Factor Models and Diffusion Kernels

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (X_1(t), \dots, X_n(t))$$

$$\mathbf{w}(t) = (W_1(t), \dots, W_m(t))$$

$$dX_i = \sum_{k=1}^m \sigma_j^k dW_k + b_i dt, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

$$\pi(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{y}, T) = \text{Prob.}\{\mathbf{x}(T) = \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}\}$$

$$E\{F(\mathbf{x}(T)) | \mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}\} = \int_{\mathbf{y} \in R^n} F(\mathbf{y}) \pi(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{y}, T) d^n \mathbf{y}$$

**CIR-type setting,
X= state variables
W= m-dim Brownian
motion**

**Diffusion
kernel**

Fokker-Planck Equation and Dimensionless Time

$$\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij=1}^n a_{ij} \frac{\partial^2 \pi}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$\pi(x, T; y, T) = \delta(x - y)$$

$$a_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m \sigma_i^k \sigma_j^k$$

Covariance matrix of state variables

$$(\bar{\sigma})^2 \equiv E \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii} \right\}$$

$$\tau \equiv (\bar{\sigma})^2 t$$

volatility of S&P=0.15
t=1 yr. corresponds to
tau=0.0225 << 1

``typical variance'' of x

Dimensionless time

Varadhan Asymptotics for the Diffusion Kernel

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \tau \ln \pi(x, 0; y, T) = -\frac{L^2(x, y)}{2}; \quad \tau = (\bar{\sigma})^2 T,$$

$L(x, y)$ = geodesic distance between x and y

$$L(x, y) = \inf_{\substack{\gamma(0)=x \\ \gamma(1)=y}} \int_0^1 \left\| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right\|_{\gamma} dt,$$

$$\|v\|_x^2 = \sum_{ij=1}^n g_{ij}(x) v_i v_j$$

$$g_{ij} = (\bar{\sigma})^2 (a^{-1})_{ij}$$

**Dimensionless
Riemann tensor**

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Heuristically: Diffusion Kernels "resemble"
Gaussian Kernels with |x-y| replaced by L(x,y)

$$\pi(x,0; y, T) \approx c(\tau) \cdot e^{-\frac{(L(x,y))^2}{2\tau}} \quad \tau \ll 1$$

$$(dL)^2 = \sum_{ij=1}^n g_{ij}(x) dx_i dx_j$$

We shall use this approximation to compute option prices
and implied volatilities assuming tau is small

Example 1: Local volatility model

$$\frac{dF_t}{F_t} = \sigma(F_t, t) dW_t \quad x = \ln\left(\frac{F}{F_0}\right)$$

$$dx_t = \sigma(x_t, t) dW_t + (\dots) dt$$

$$(dL)^2 = \frac{(\bar{\sigma})^2 dx^2}{(\sigma(x,0))^2} = \frac{dx^2}{\left(\frac{\sigma(x,0)}{\bar{\sigma}}\right)^2} = \left(\frac{dx}{\tilde{\sigma}(x)}\right)^2$$

$$L(x, y) = \left| \int_x^y \frac{du}{\tilde{\sigma}(u)} \right| = |G(y) - G(x)|$$

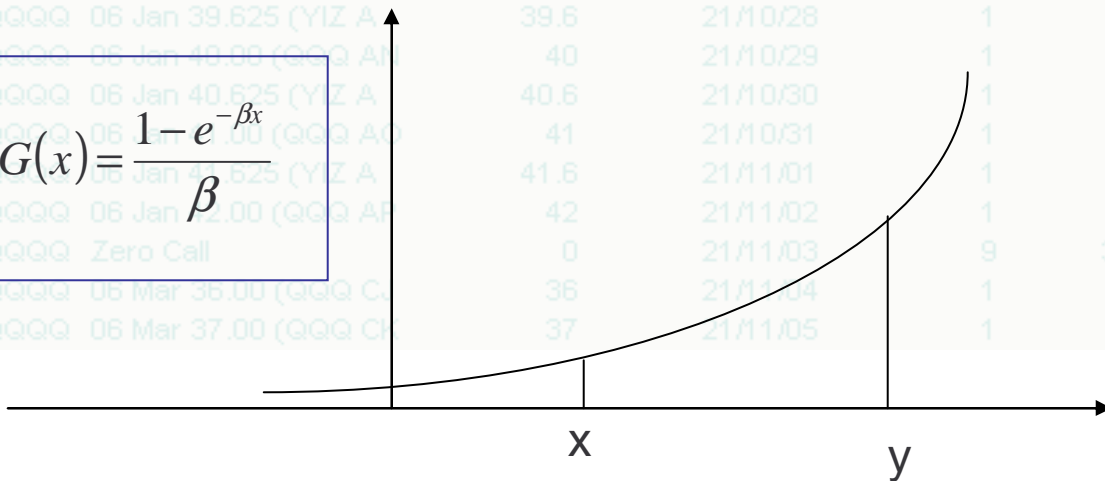
1-dimensional distances are always 'trivial'

Special solvable 2-D case: the CEV Model

$$\sigma(F, t) = \bar{\sigma} \left(\frac{F}{F_0} \right)^\beta \quad \therefore \quad \sigma(x, t) = \bar{\sigma} e^{\beta x}$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}(x) = e^{\beta x} \quad L(x, y) = \left| \frac{e^{-\beta x} - e^{-\beta y}}{\beta} \right|$$

$$G(x) = \frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\beta}$$



**Negative beta for
Equities (leverage)**

**Distance= area
under the curve**

Stochastic Volatility Models

$$\frac{dF_t}{F_t} = \sigma_t dW_t$$

Forward price

$$\frac{d\sigma_t}{\sigma_t} = \kappa dZ_t$$

Stochastic vol.

$$E\{dW_t dZ_t\} = \rho dt$$

$$\beta \equiv \frac{\kappa \rho}{\sigma}$$

Leverage

$$\frac{d\sigma_t}{\sigma_t} = \beta \frac{dF_t}{F_t} + \varepsilon$$

Beta= regression coefficient of vol on stock returns

Equivalent Model with Independent Brownian Motions (SABR)

$$\sigma_t = \sigma_t^{(0)} \exp(\beta x_t) \quad x_t = \ln\left(\frac{F_t}{F_0}\right)$$

“Parametric leverage”
SV for tails

$$\frac{d\sigma_t}{\sigma_t} = \frac{d\sigma_t^{(0)}}{\sigma_t^{(0)}} + \beta dx_t$$

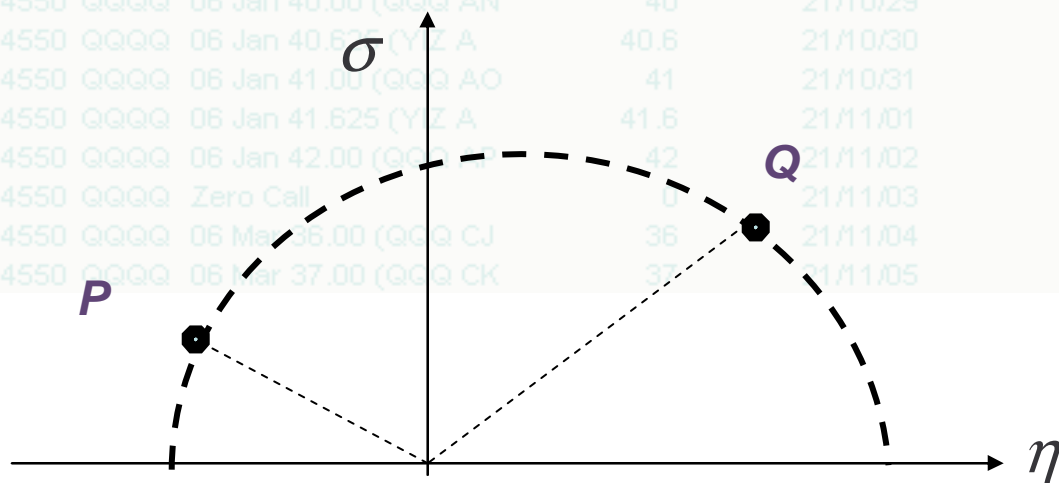
“CEV” with stochastic independent volatility is equivalent to SV model with correlated volatility, from the Riemann viewpoint

$$\begin{cases} dx_t = e^{\beta x_t} \sigma_t^{(0)} dW_t \\ \frac{d\sigma_t^{(0)}}{\sigma_t^{(0)}} = \kappa dZ_t \\ E(dW_t dZ_t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Riemann Metric for SV / SABR: The Poincare Upper Half-Space Model

$$\eta \equiv \kappa \left(\frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\beta} \right), \quad \sigma \equiv \sigma^{(0)}$$

$$dL^2 = \frac{\sigma^{-2}}{\kappa^2} \cdot \frac{d\eta^2 + d\sigma^2}{\sigma^2}$$



**Geodesics are
half-circles with center
on the horizontal axis**

$$L(P, Q) = \frac{\sigma}{\kappa} \left| \int_{\theta_P}^{\theta_Q} \frac{d\theta}{\sin \theta} \right|$$

Using the asymptotics to compute option prices

$$F_T = F(x_T)$$

$$P_0 = F(0) < K$$

$$CALL = \int_{R^n} \max(F(y) - K, 0) \pi(0,0; y, T) d^n y$$

$$\approx c \int_{R^n} \max(F(y) - K, 0) e^{-\frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau}} d^n y$$

$$\approx c \int_{\{y: F(y) > K\}} (F(y) - K) e^{-\frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau}} d^n y$$

$$\approx c \int_{\{y: F(y) > K\}} e^{-\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{F(y) - K}\right) + \frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau} \right]} d^n y$$

Steepest-descent approximation for computing implied volatilities

$$\int_{\{y:F(y)>K\}} e^{-\left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{F(y)-K}\right) + \frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau}\right]} d^n y \approx e^{-\min_{y:F(y)>K} \left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{F(y)-K}\right) + \frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau}\right]}$$

$$\min_{y:F(y)>K} \left[\ln\left(\frac{1}{F(y)-K}\right) + \frac{L^2(0,y)}{2\tau}\right] = \frac{1}{\tau} \min_{y:F(y)>K} \left[\tau \ln\left(\frac{1}{F(y)-K}\right) + \frac{L^2(0,y)}{2}\right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2\tau} \min \{L^2(0,y) | y:F(y)>K\}, \quad \tau \ll 1$$

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Equate formulas for OTM calls with Black-Scholes ...

$$L^*(K) = \min \{L(0, y) | y: F(y) > K\}$$

Minimum distance from 0 to the region $\{F(y) > 0\}$

$$\ln CALL \approx -\frac{(L^*(K))^2}{2\tau}$$

Small-tau asymptotics (model)

$$\ln CALL \approx -\frac{(\ln(K/F_0))^2}{2\sigma_{imp}^2(K)T} = -\frac{(\ln(K/F_0))^2}{2\left(\frac{\sigma_{imp}^2(K)}{(\bar{\sigma})^2}\right)\tau}$$

Small-tau asymptotics (Black-Scholes)

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Approximation for Implied Volatility for general diffusion model

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$$L_1(x, y) \equiv \min_{\substack{\gamma(0)=x \\ \gamma(1)=y}} \int_0^1 \sqrt{\sum_{ij=1}^n (a^{-1})_{ij} \gamma_i(t) \gamma_j(t)} dt$$

Example 1: Local Volatility Model

$$\sigma_{\text{imp}}(K) \approx \frac{\ln(K / F_0)}{\int_0^x \frac{du}{\sigma(u,0)}} = \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x \frac{du}{\sigma(u,0)} \right)^{-1}$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{K}{F_0}\right)$$

Implied Volatility= Harmonic Mean of Local Volatility

Berestycki, Busca and Florent, 2001

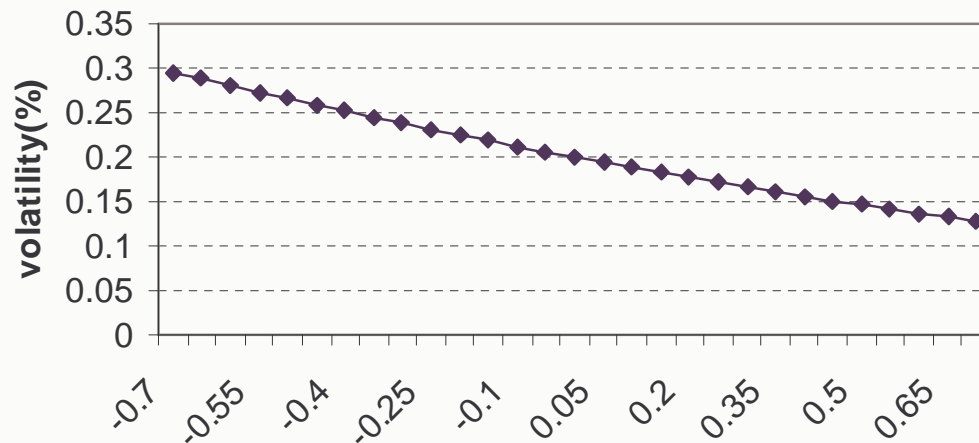
Example 2: Constant Elasticity of Variance

$$\sigma(x, t) = \sigma_0 e^{\beta x}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{imp}}(x) \approx \sigma_0 \left| \frac{\beta x}{1 - e^{-\beta x}} \right|$$

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Implied volatility



x=ln(K/F)

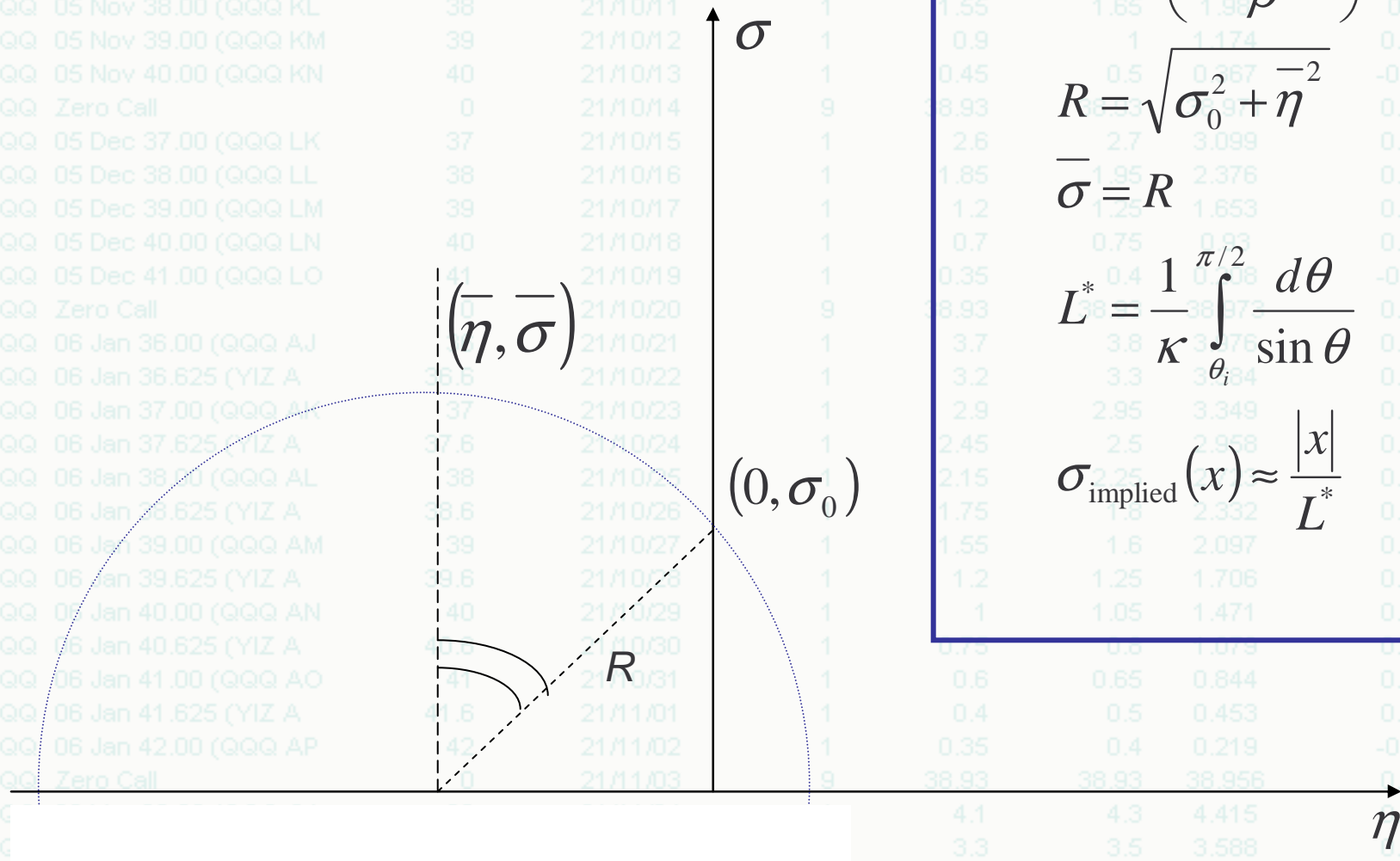
Example 3: Stochastic Volatility / SABR

$$\sigma_{\text{imp}}(x) \approx \frac{\kappa|x|}{\ln \left(\kappa \left| \frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\sigma_0 \beta} \right| + \sqrt{1 + \kappa^2 \left(\frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\sigma_0 \beta} \right)^2} \right)}$$

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Minimizing the distance to the line $\eta = \text{const.}$ in the Poincare plane



$$\bar{\eta} = \kappa \left(\frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\beta} \right)$$

$$R = \sqrt{\sigma_0^2 + \bar{\eta}^2}$$

$$\bar{\sigma} = R$$

$$L^* = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int_{\theta_i}^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{implied}}(x) \approx \frac{|x|}{L^*}$$

Example 3bis: Stochastic Volatility / Hull-White

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \sigma dW, \quad x = \ln(S / S_0)$$

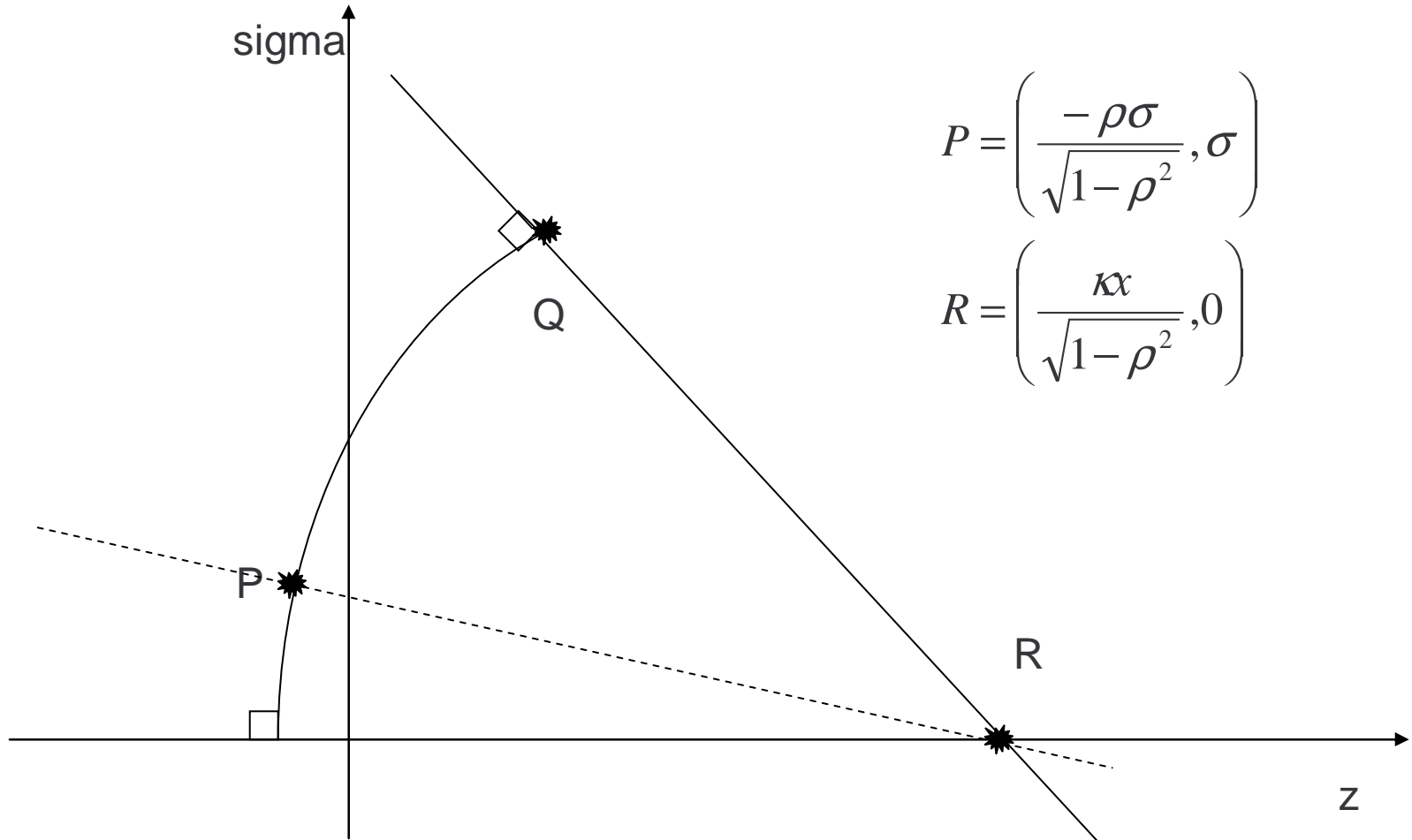
$$\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma} = \kappa dZ, \quad E(dWdZ) = \rho dt$$

$$dL^2 = \frac{1}{\kappa^2(1-\rho^2)} \cdot \frac{\kappa^2 dx^2 - 2\rho\kappa d\sigma dx + d\sigma^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$z = \frac{\kappa x - \rho\sigma}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}}$$

$$dL^2 = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \cdot \frac{dz^2 + d\sigma^2}{\sigma^2} \quad \text{Poincare plane after change of variables}$$

Geodesic Distance



Approximation for Implied Volatility Curves

$$L^* = d(P, Q) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int_{v_P}^{v_Q} \frac{du}{\sin u}$$

$$L^* = \frac{1}{\kappa} \left| \ln \left(\frac{\kappa x + \rho \sigma + \sqrt{(\kappa x + \rho \sigma)^2 + \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2)}}{\sigma (1 + \rho)} \right) \right|$$

$$\sigma_{imp}(x) \approx \frac{\kappa |x|}{\left| \ln \left(\frac{\kappa x + \rho \sigma + \sqrt{(\kappa x + \rho \sigma)^2 + \sigma^2 (1 - \rho^2)}}{\sigma (1 + \rho)} \right) \right|}$$

Auto-calibration of SABR and Heston



$$\sigma_0 = 20\%$$

$$\kappa_{\text{sabr}} = 0.5$$

$$\beta = -4$$

$$\kappa_{\text{Heston}} = 2\sigma_0 \kappa_{\text{sabr}} = 0.2$$

Example 4: the Heston Model A variant of the Poincare Half-Space

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = \sqrt{V_t} dW_t$$

$$dV_t = \kappa \sqrt{V_t} dZ_t$$

$$E(dW_t dZ_t) = \rho dt$$

$$dL_1^2 = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \frac{d\xi^2 + dV^2}{V}$$

$$\xi = \frac{\kappa(1 - e^{-\beta x})}{\beta}$$

Note: V, not V squared

Closed-form solution for geodesics

$$\xi = \kappa \left(\frac{1 - e^{-\beta x}}{\beta} \right)$$

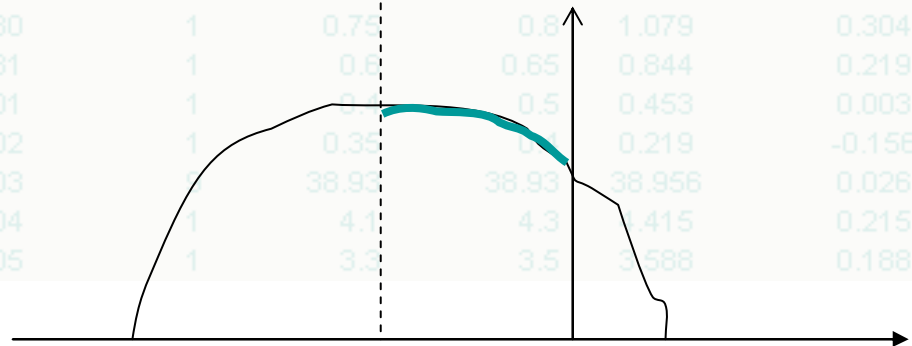
$$dL^2 = \frac{d\xi^2 + dV^2}{\kappa^2 V}$$

$$\xi(\theta) = \frac{R^2}{2} (\theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta) + \xi(0)$$

$$V(\theta) = R^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

$$dL = \frac{2R^2}{\kappa} \sin \theta d\theta$$

Geodesics are
cycloids



Implied volatility curve for Heston model is obtained as an algebraic system

$$\xi = \frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sin^2 \theta_{\text{init}}} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_{\text{init}} + \sin \theta_{\text{init}} \cos \theta_{\text{init}} \right)$$

$$\sigma(\xi) = \frac{\kappa |\xi| \sin^2 \theta_{\text{init}}}{2\sigma_0^2 |\cos \theta_{\text{init}}|}$$

Given xi, solve for theta_init, and substitute in the second equation

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Multi-Asset Derivatives

Multi-Asset Derivatives: Index Options, Rainbows

Derive index volatility skew from **single-stock skews** and **correlation matrix**

$$dx_i = \sigma(x_i, t)dW_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$E(dW_i dW_j) = \rho_{ij} dt$$

N equations for the index components

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i S_i = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i S_i(0) e^{x_i} \quad \bar{x} = \ln\left(\frac{F_I}{I(0)}\right)$$

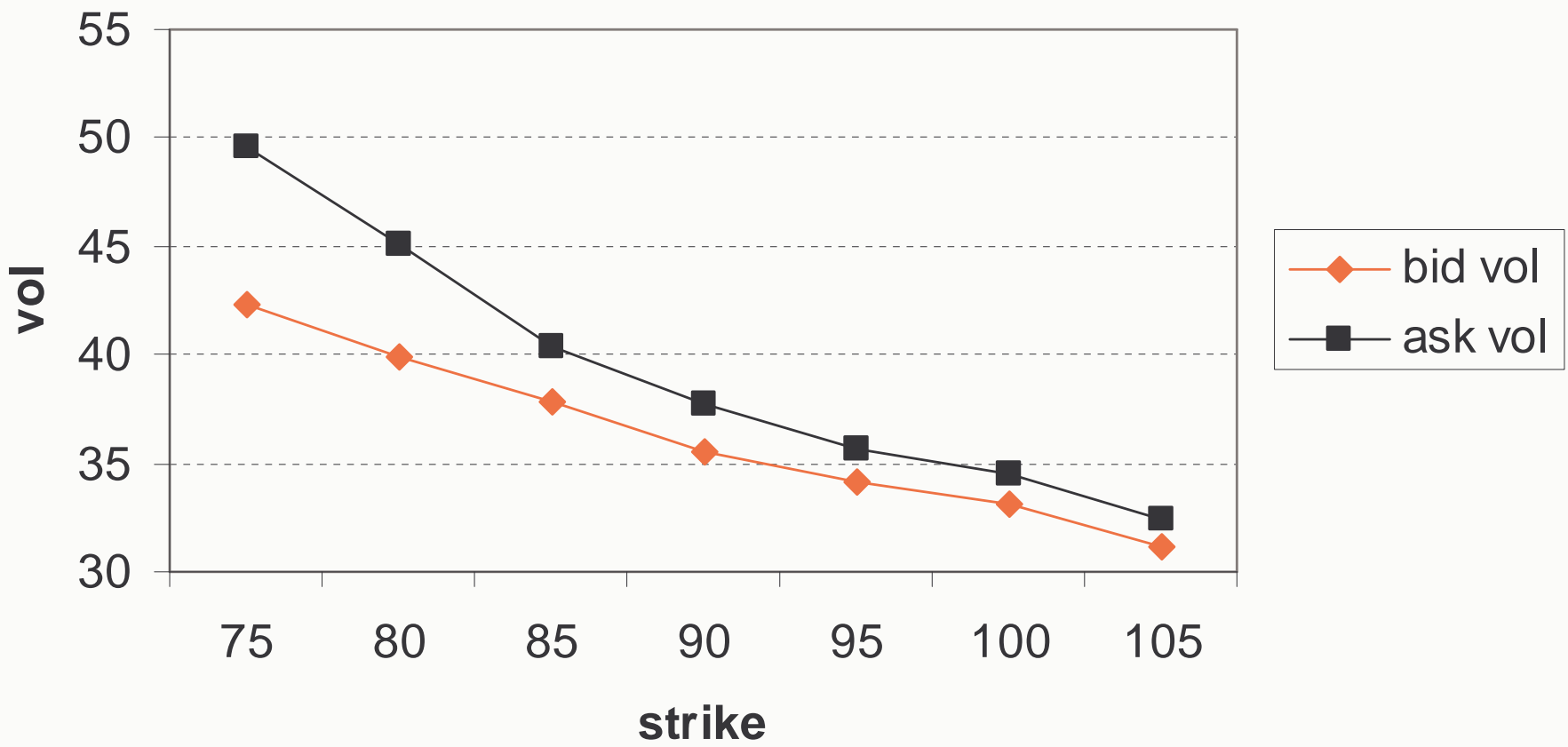
BBH: ETF of 20 Biotechnology Stocks (Components of IBH)

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ALKS	4	106	ICOS	4	64
AMGN	46	40	IDPH	12	72
BGEN	13	41	MEDI	15	82
CHIR	16	37	MLNM	12	92
CRA	4	55	QLTI	5	64
DNA	44	53.5	SEPR	6	84
ENZN	3	81	SHPGY	6.8271	47
GENZ	14	56	BBH	-	32

BBH March 2003 Implied Vols

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What is the 'fair value' of the index volatility reconstructed from the components?

Riemannian metric for the multi-D local vol model

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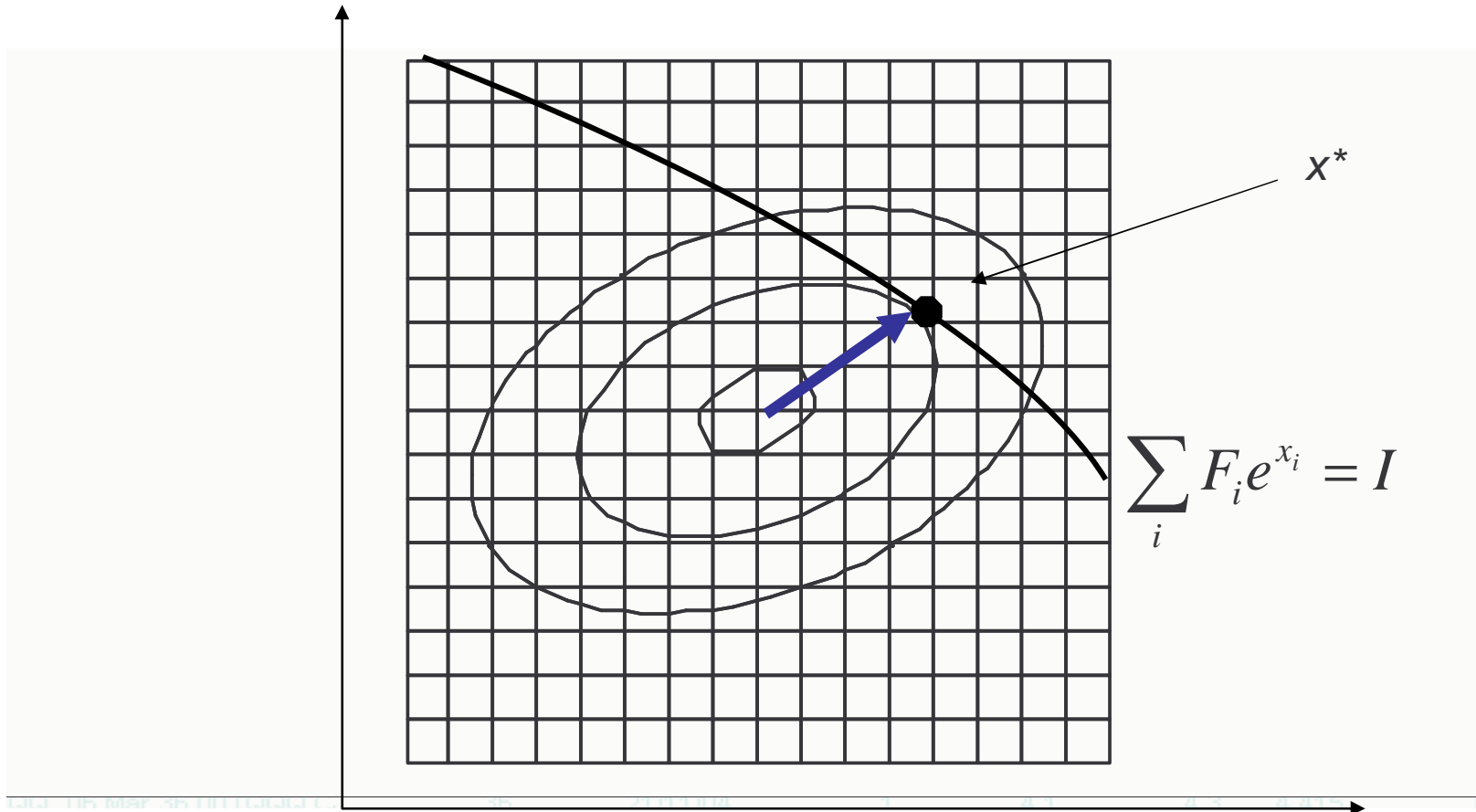
$$= \sum_{ij=1}^n (\rho^{-1})_{ij} dy_i dy_j, \quad dy_i \equiv \frac{dx_i}{\sigma(x_i,0)}$$

If correlations are constant, the metric is "flat": it is Euclidean metric after making the change of variables $x \rightarrow y$.

Geodesics are straight lines in the y -coordinates

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4550	QQQQ	06 Mar 37.00 (QQQ CK	37	21/11/05	1	3.3	3.5	3.588	0.188

Steepest Descent=Most Likely Stock Price Configuration



Replace conditional distribution by “Dirac function” at most likely configuration

Exact solution: Euler-Lagrange Equations

$$\sigma_{\text{impl}, I}(\bar{x}) = \frac{|\bar{x}|}{\sqrt{\sum_{ij=1}^n (\rho^{-1})_{ij} \int_0^{x_i^*} \frac{du}{\sigma_i(u,0)} \int_0^{x_j^*} \frac{du}{\sigma_j(u,0)}}$$

$$= \frac{|\bar{x}|}{\sqrt{\sum_{ij=1}^n (\rho^{-1})_{ij} \frac{x_i^*}{\sigma_{\text{impl},i}(x_i^*)} \frac{x_j^*}{\sigma_{\text{impl},j}(x_j^*)}}}$$

Euler - Lagrange equations

$$\int_0^{x_i^*} \frac{du}{\sigma_i(u,0)} = \Lambda \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_{ij} p_j(x_j^*) \sigma_j(x_j^*,0) \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Approximate solution: introduce the stock betas

$$x_i = \beta_i \bar{x} + \varepsilon_i$$

Regression relation
between stock and
index returns

$$x_i^* = \beta_i \bar{x}$$

Approximate formula for
the optimal stock configuration

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{imp},I}(\bar{x})} \approx \sqrt{\sum_{ij=1}^n \frac{(\rho^{-1})_{ij} \beta_i \beta_j}{\sigma_{\text{imp},i}(\beta_i \bar{x}) \sigma_{\text{imp},i}(\beta_i \bar{x})}}$$

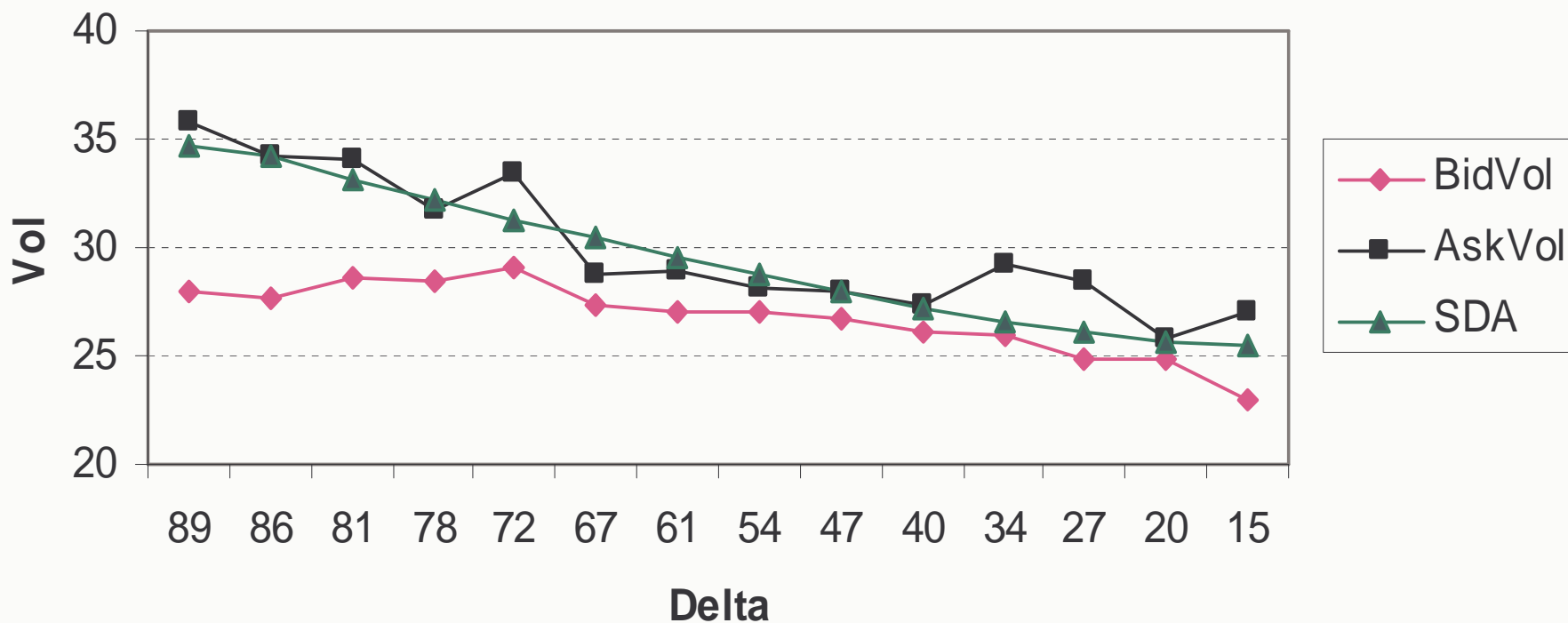
$$\sigma_{\text{imp},I}(\bar{x}) \approx \sqrt{\sum_{ij=1}^n \rho_{ij} p_i p_j \sigma_{\text{imp},i}(\beta_i \bar{x}) \sigma_{\text{imp},i}(\beta_i \bar{x})}$$

Performs well in the range $-0.2 < x < +0.2$

DJX: Dow Jones Industrial Average

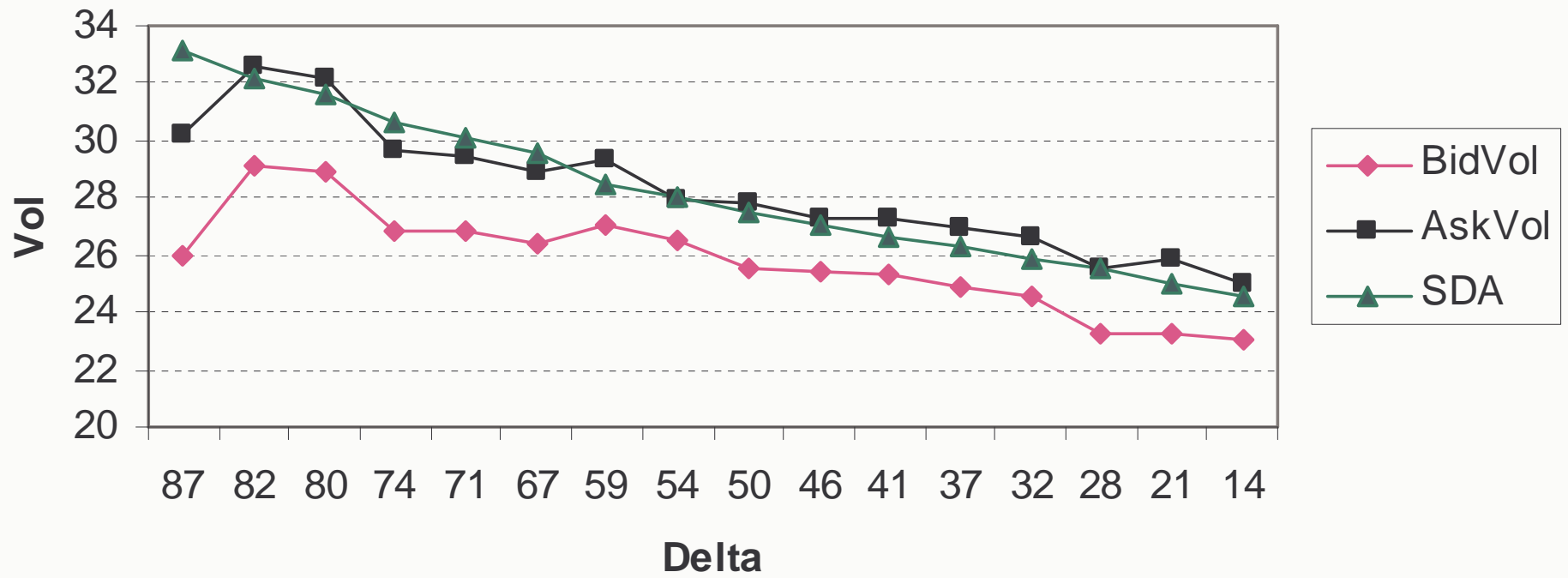
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DJX Nov 02 Pricing Date: 10/25/02



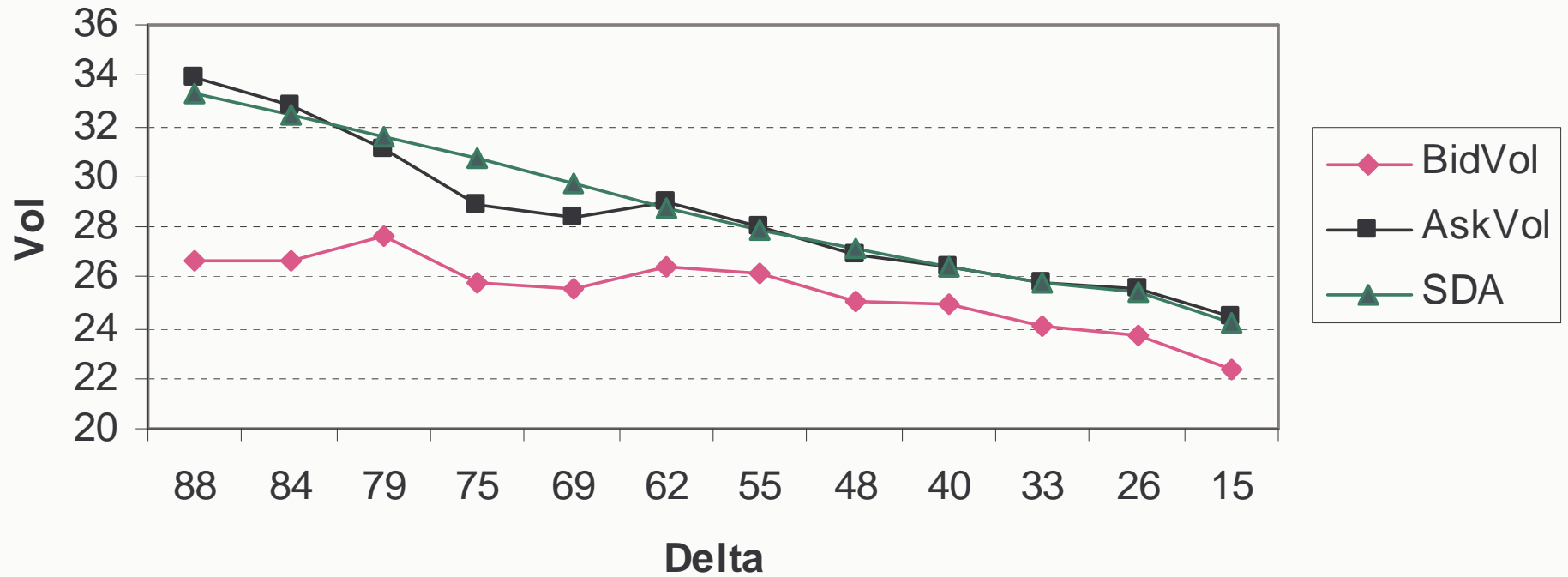
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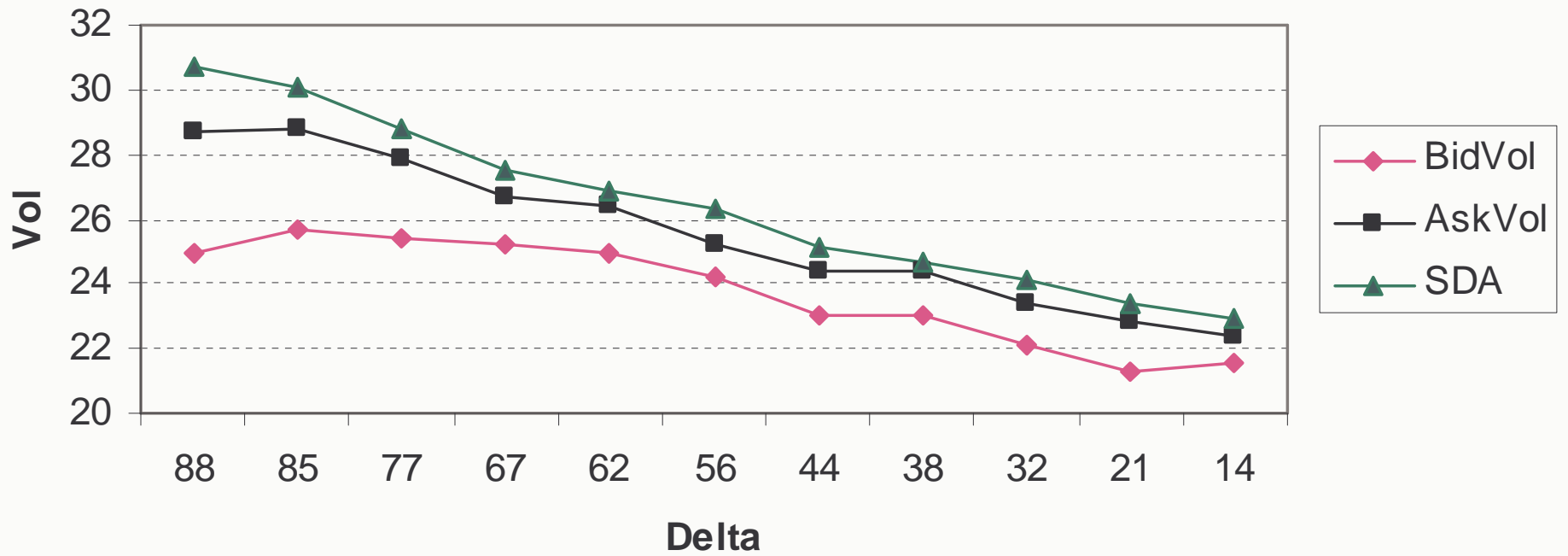
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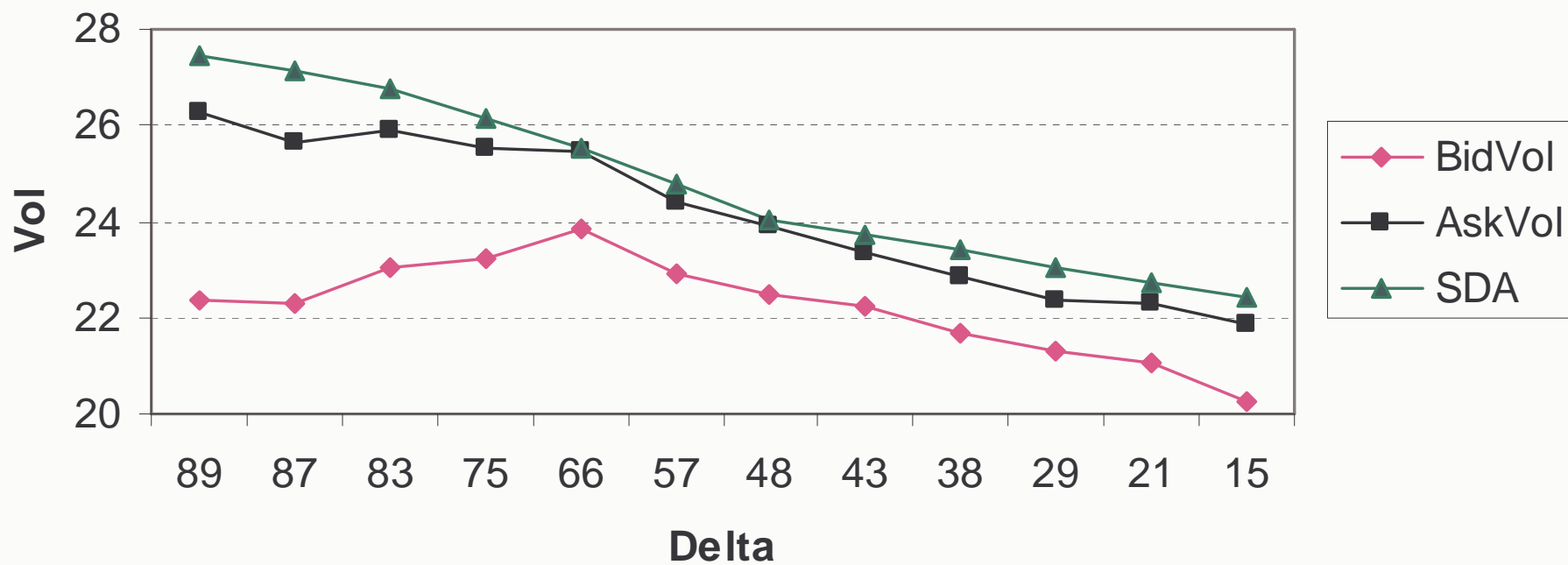
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T=7 months

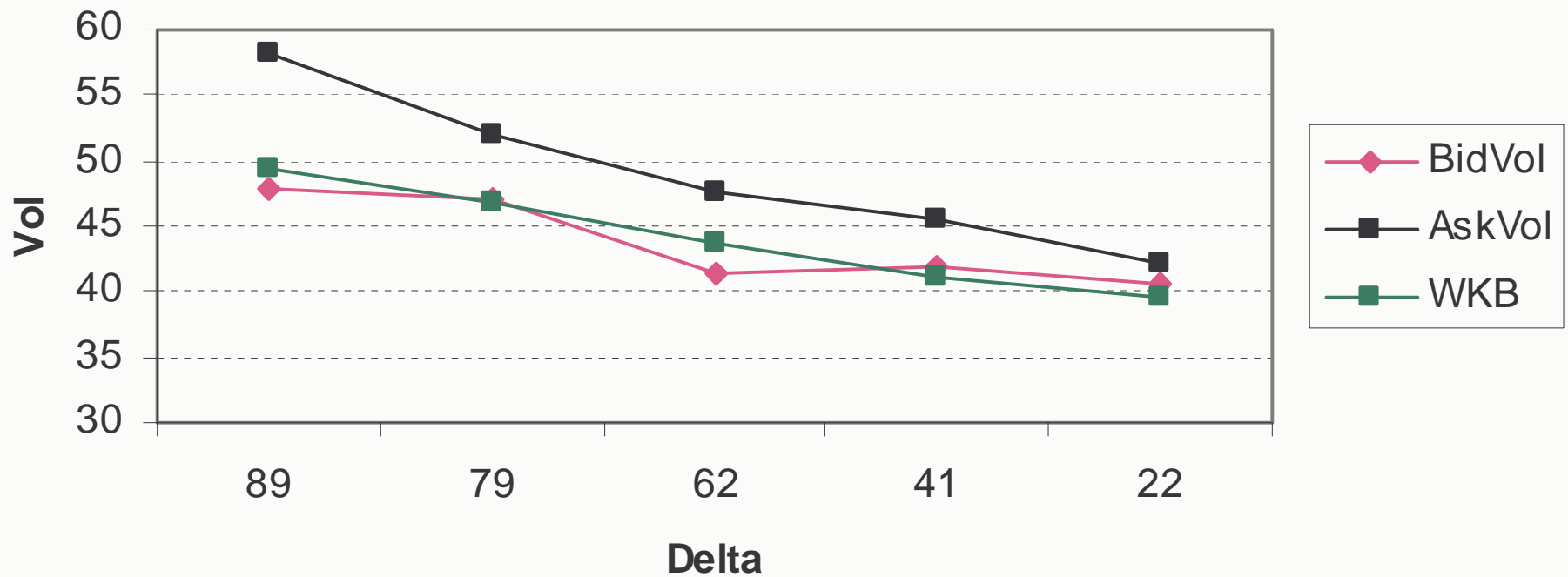
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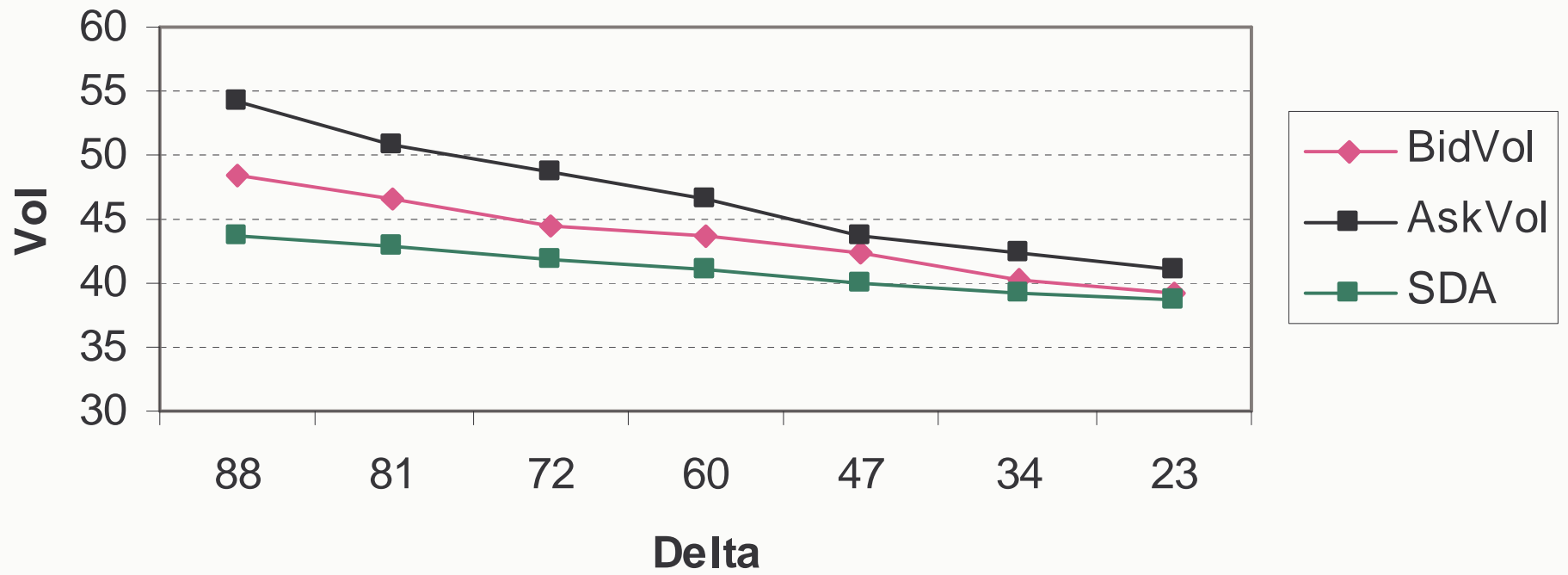
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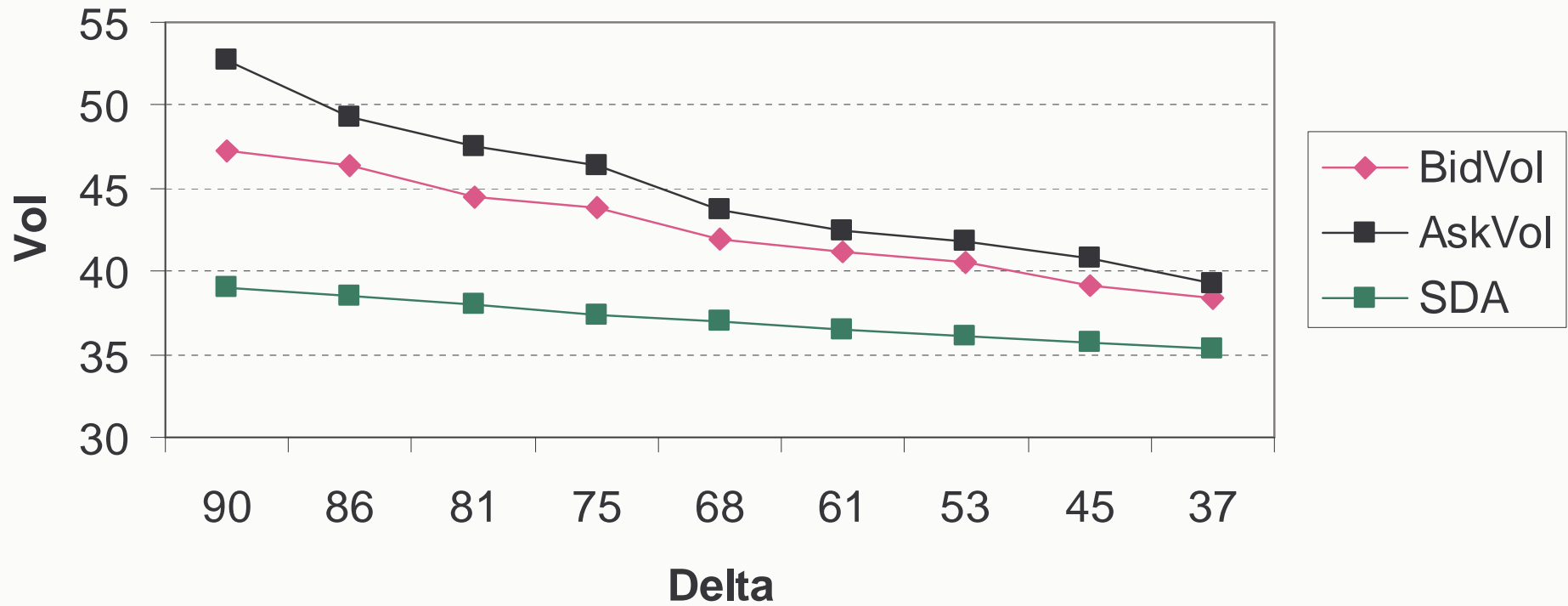
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T = 6 months

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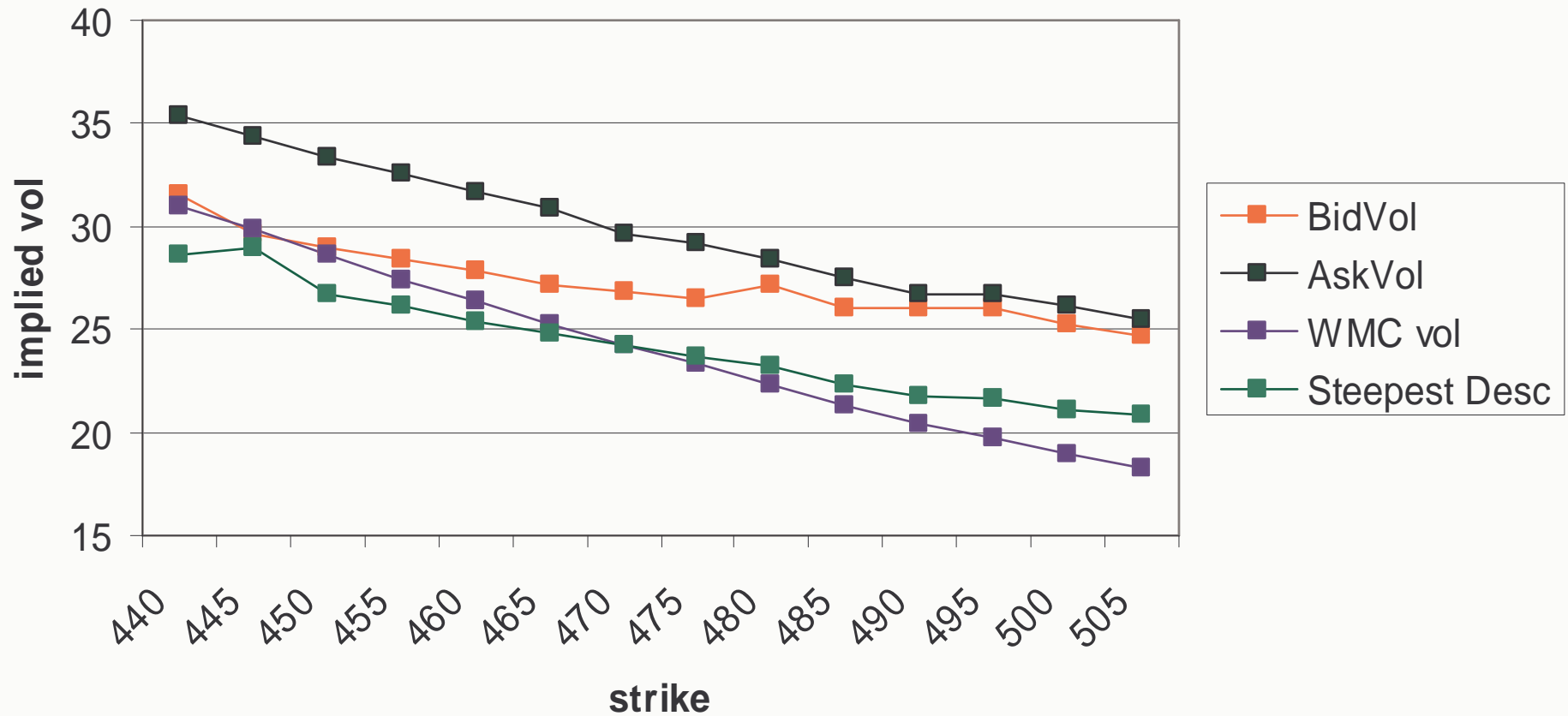
Is dimensionless time is too long? (Error bars: Juyoung Lim)

Is correlation causing the discrepancy?

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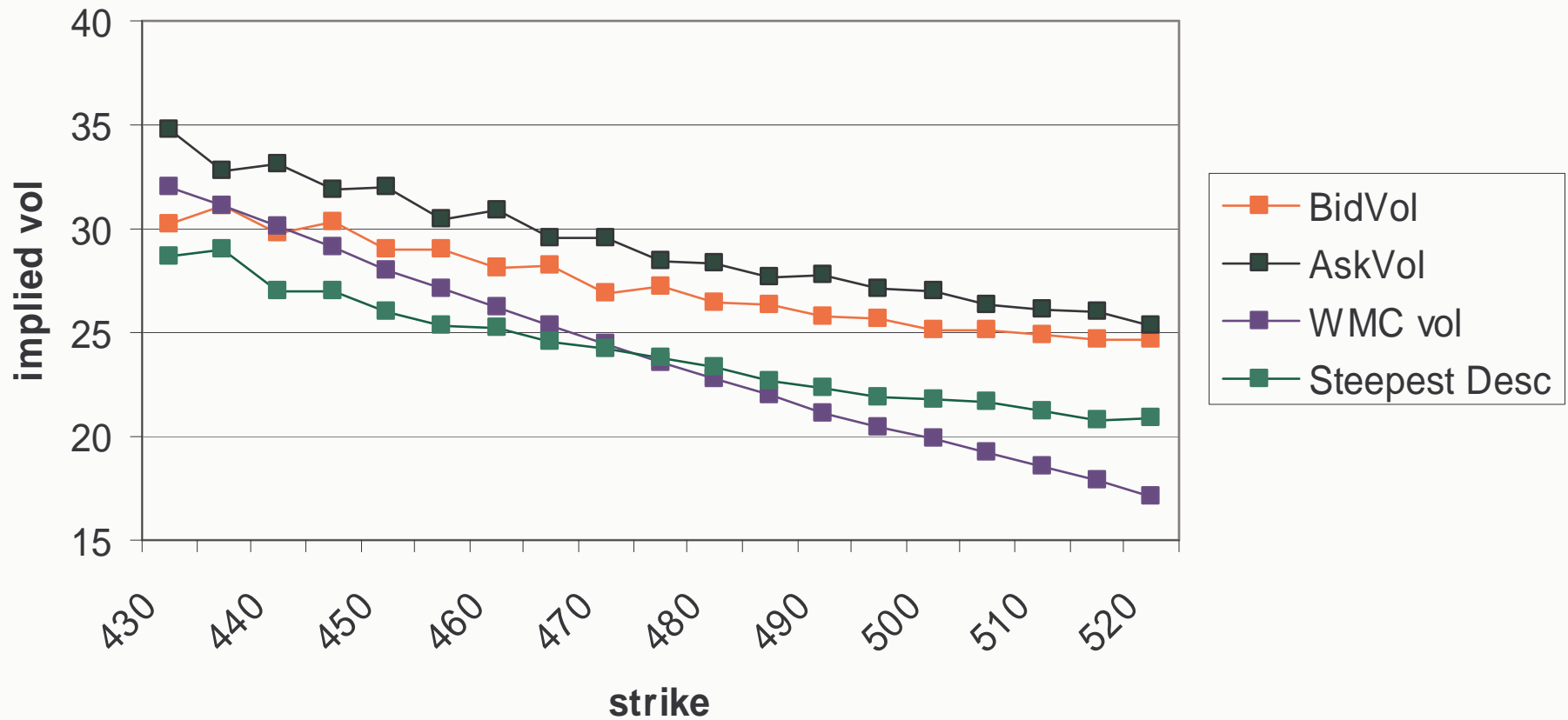
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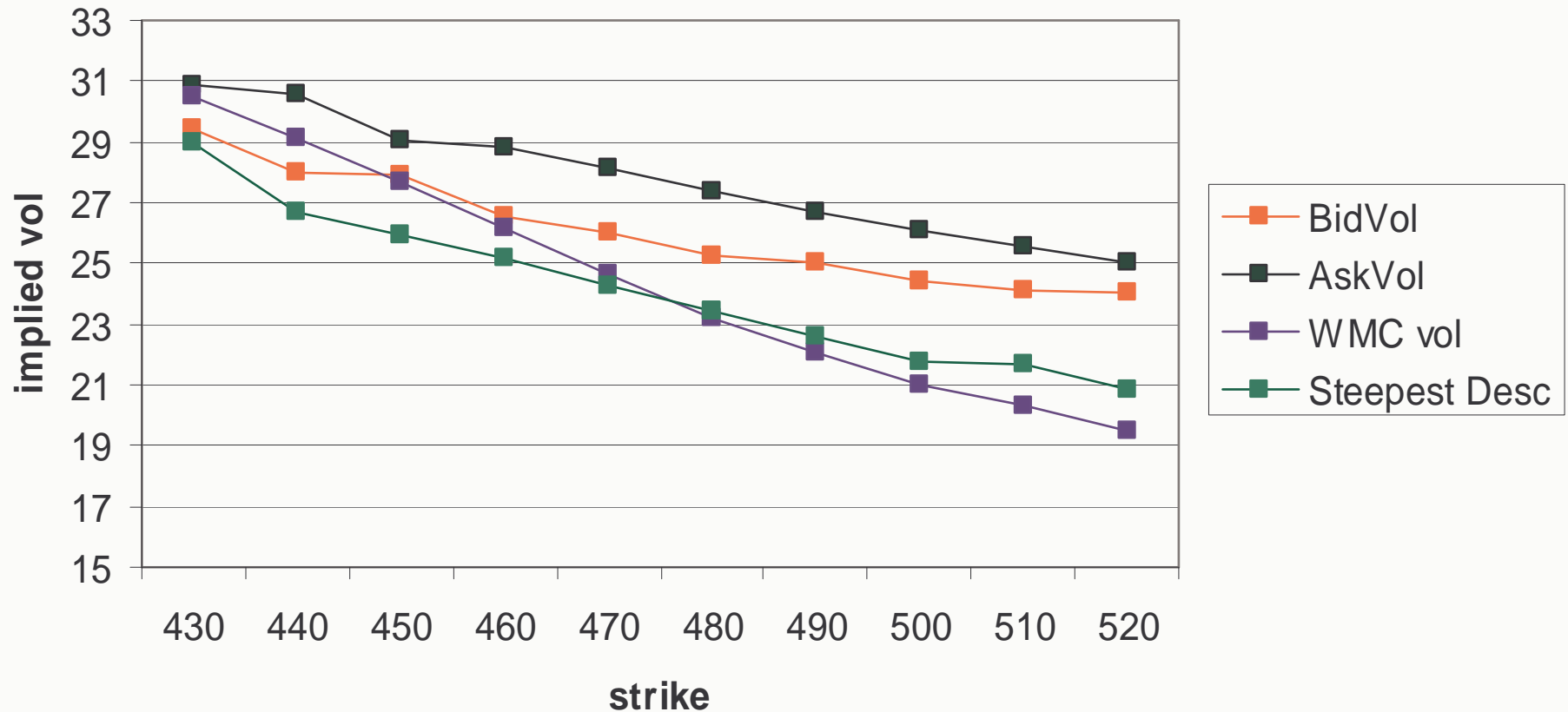
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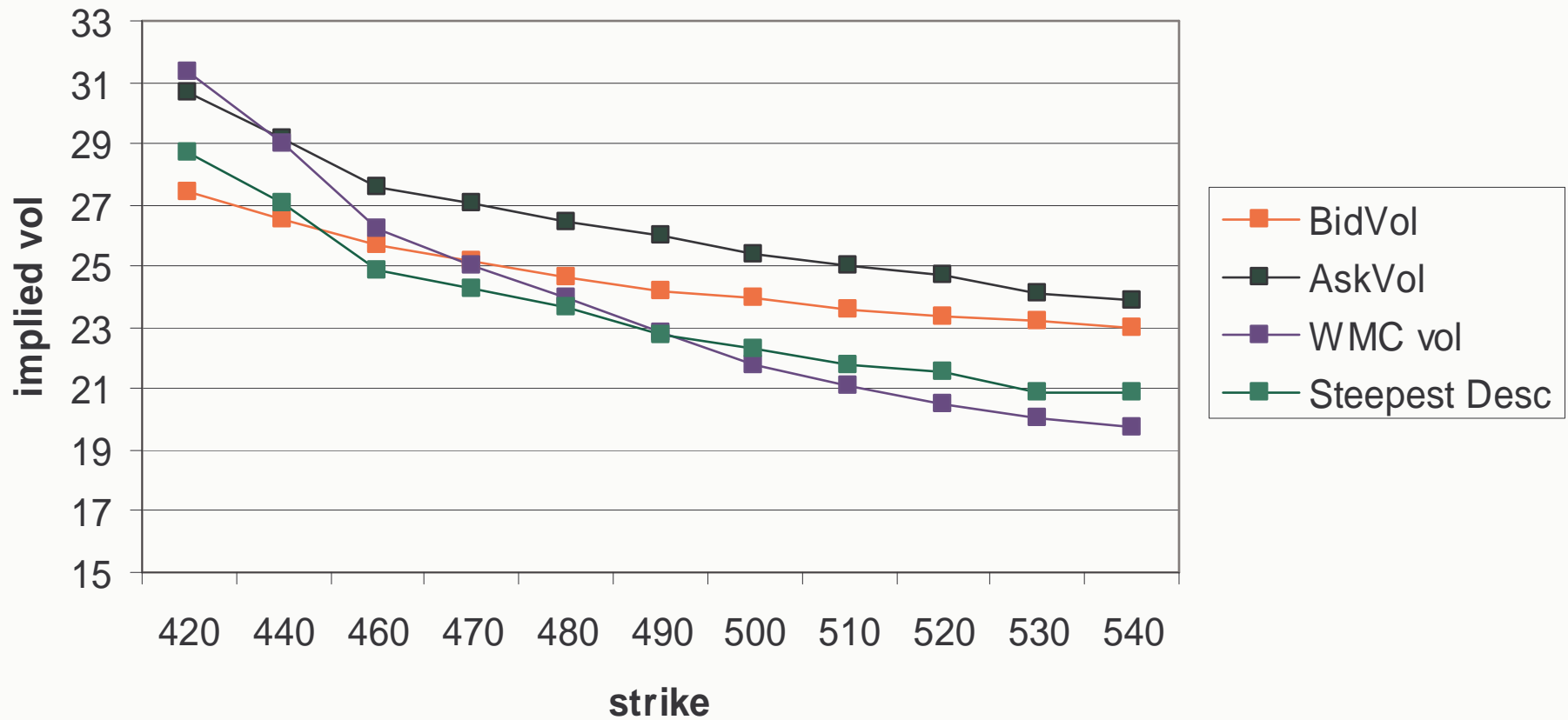
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Implied Correlation: a single correlation coefficient consistent with index vol

$$\left(\sigma_I^{\text{impl}}\right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i^2 \left(\sigma_i^{\text{impl}}\right)^2 + \bar{\rho} \sum_{i \neq j}^N p_i p_j \sigma_i^{\text{impl}} \sigma_j^{\text{impl}}$$

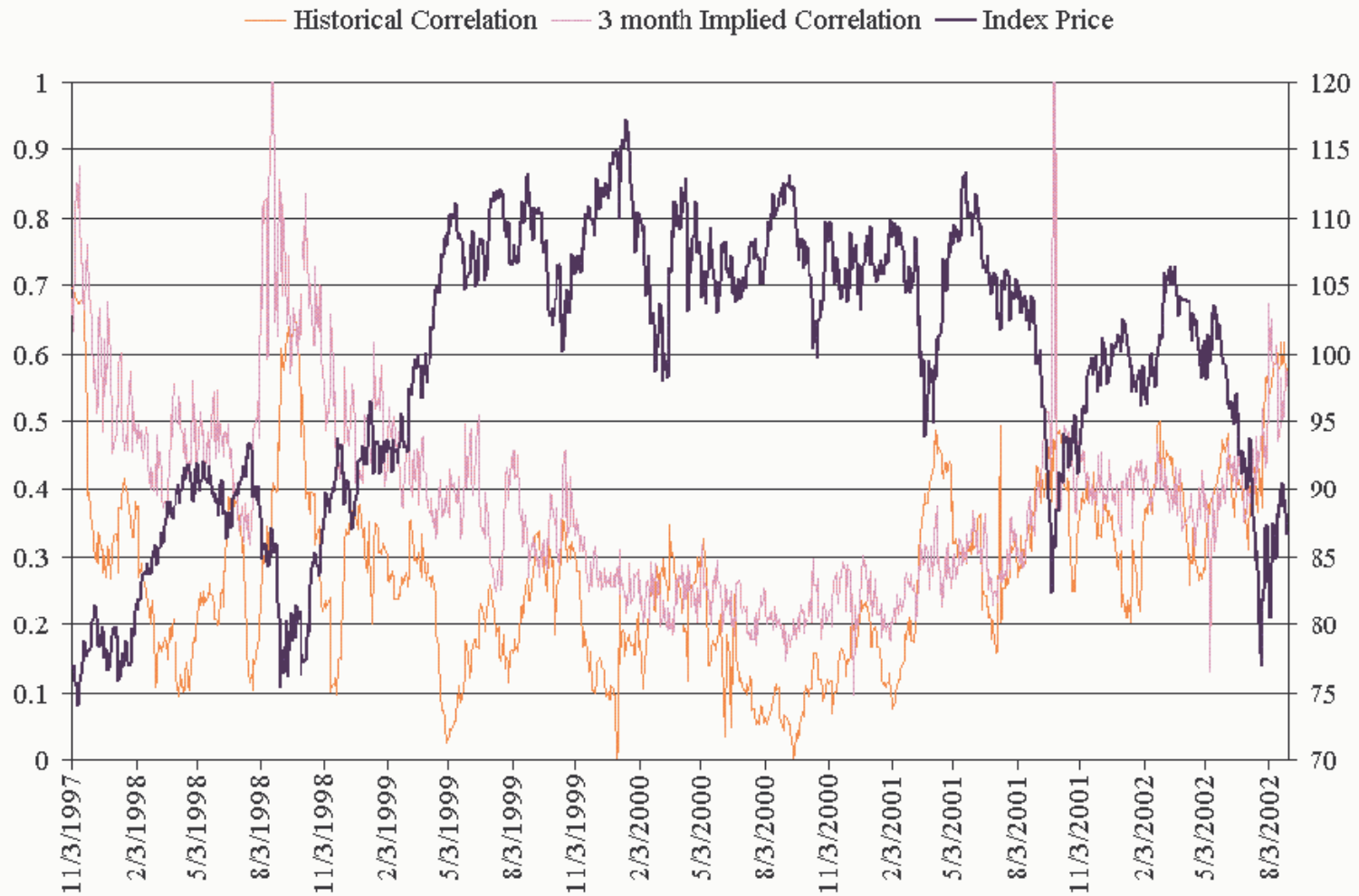
$$\therefore \bar{\rho} = \frac{\left(\sigma_I^{\text{impl}}\right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \left(\sigma_i^{\text{impl}}\right)^2}{\sum_{i \neq j}^N p_i p_j \sigma_i^{\text{impl}} \sigma_j^{\text{impl}}} = \frac{\left(\sigma_I^{\text{impl}}\right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N p_i^2 \left(\sigma_i^{\text{impl}}\right)^2}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^N p_i \sigma_i^{\text{impl}}\right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N p_i^2 \left(\sigma_i^{\text{impl}}\right)^2}$$

Approximate formula:

$$\bar{\rho} \approx \left(\frac{\sigma_I^{\text{impl}}}{\sum_{i=1}^N p_i \sigma_i^{\text{impl}}} \right)^2$$

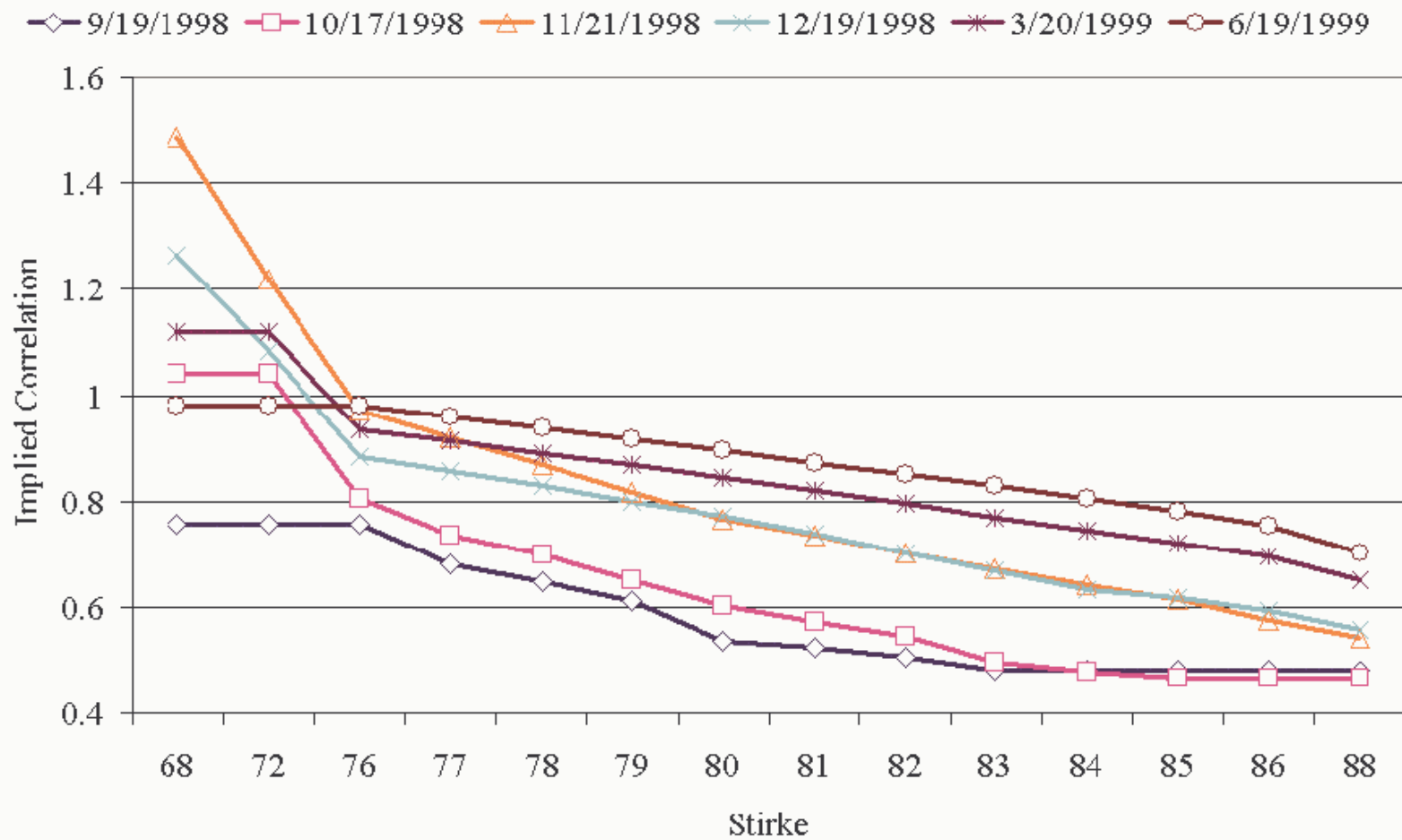
Implied correlation can be defined for different strikes, using SDA

Dow Jones Index



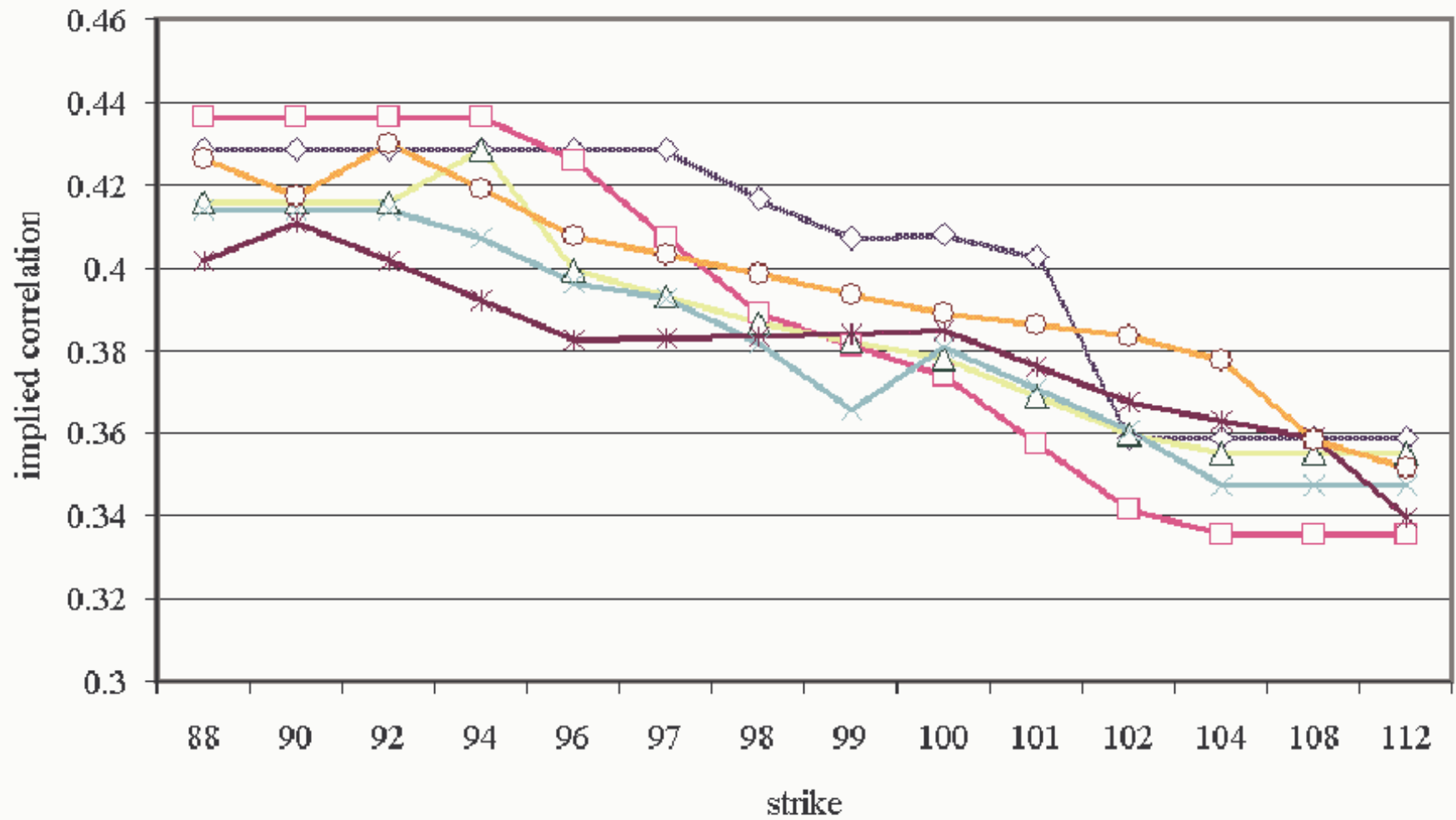
Dow Jones Index: Correlation Skew

Quote Date 9/1/1998 Spot price=78.26



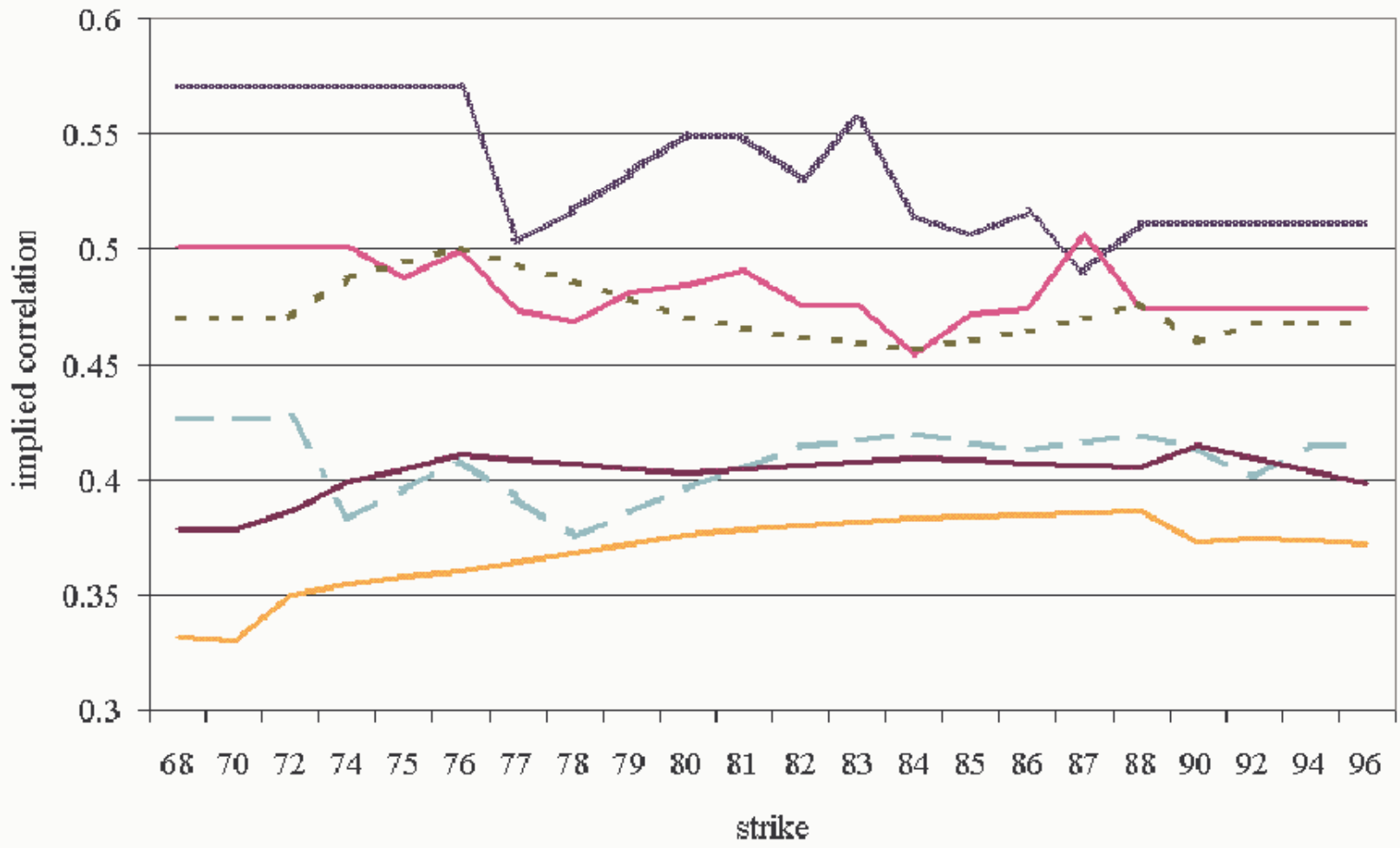
Quote Date 12/10/2001 Spot=99.21

12/22/2001 1/19/2002 2/16/2002 3/16/2002
6/22/2002 9/21/2002



Quote Date 7/25/2002 Spot=81.86

8/17/2002 9/21/2002 10/19/2002 12/21/2002 3/22/2003 6/21/2003



A model for “Correlation skew”: Stochastic Volatility Systems

$$\frac{dS_i}{S_i} = \sigma_i dW_i$$

$$E(dW_i dW_j) = \rho_{ij} dt$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_i}{\sigma_i} = \kappa_i dZ_i$$

$$E(dW_i dZ_j) = r_{ij} dt$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{dI}{I},$$

$$x_i = \frac{dS_i}{S_i}$$

$$y_i = \frac{d\sigma_i}{\sigma_i}$$

Look for most likely configuration of stocks and vols
 $(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n)$ corresponding to a given index
 displacement \bar{x}

Most likely configuration for Stochastic Volatility Systems

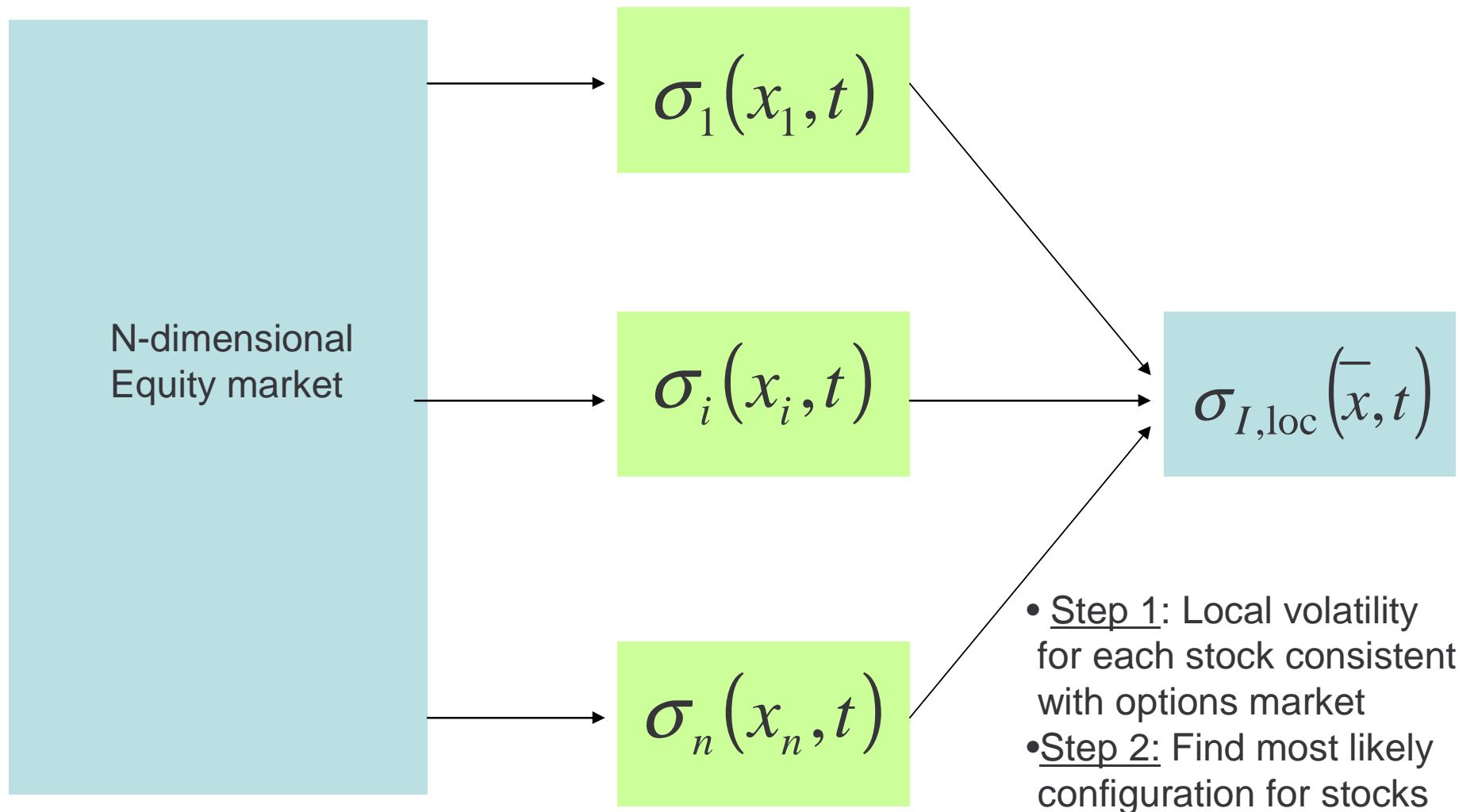
$$x_i^* = \beta_i \bar{x} \quad \beta_i = \frac{\sigma_i \rho_{iI}}{\sigma_I}$$

$$y_i^* = \gamma_i \bar{x} \quad \gamma_i = \frac{\kappa_i r_{iI}}{\sigma_I}$$

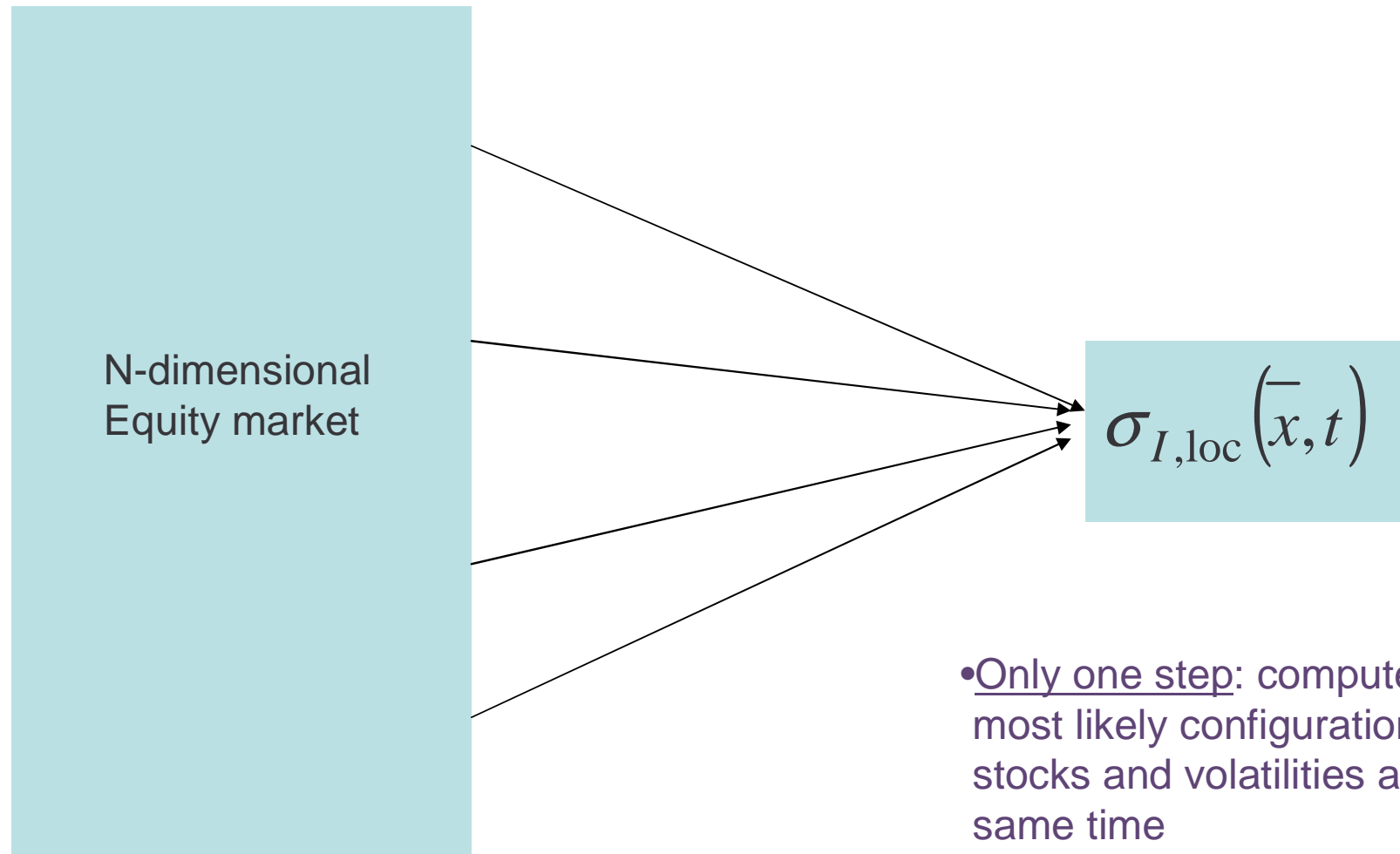
Most likely configuration for stocks moves and volatility moves, given the index move

$$\sigma_{I,\text{loc}}^2(\bar{x}, t) \cong \sum_{ij=1}^n p_i p_j \sigma_i(0, t) \sigma_j(0, t) e^{\gamma_i \bar{x}} e^{\gamma_j \bar{x}} \rho_{ij}$$

Method I: Dupire & Most Likely Configuration for Stock Moves



Method II: Stochastic Volatility System and joint MLC for Stocks and Volatilities



- Only one step: compute the most likely configuration of stocks and volatilities at the same time

Methods I and II are not 'equivalent'

Dupire local vol. for
single names

$$\sigma_{i,\text{loc}}(x_i, t) \approx \sigma_i(0, t) e^{\bar{\omega}_i x_i} \quad \bar{\omega}_i = \frac{K_i r_{ii}}{\sigma_i}$$

Index vol.,
Method I

$$\sigma_{I,\text{loc}}^2(\bar{x}, t) = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \sigma_i(0, t) \sigma_j(0, t) \rho_{ij} e^{\bar{\omega}_i \beta_i \bar{x}} e^{\bar{\omega}_j \beta_j \bar{x}}$$

Index vol.,
Method II

$$\sigma_{I,\text{loc}}^2(\bar{x}, t) = \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \sigma_i(0, t) \sigma_j(0, t) \rho_{ij} e^{\gamma_i \bar{x}} e^{\gamma_j \bar{x}}$$

Stochastic Volatility Systems give rise to Index-dependent correlations

$$\sigma_{I,\text{loc}}^2(\bar{x}, t) \approx \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \sigma_i(0, t) \sigma_j(0, t) \rho_{ij} e^{\gamma_i \bar{x}} e^{\gamma_j \bar{x}}$$

Method II

$$\approx \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \underbrace{\sigma_i(0, t) e^{\beta_i \varpi_i \bar{x}}}_{\downarrow} \sigma_j(0, t) e^{\beta_j \varpi_j \bar{x}} \rho_{ij} e^{\gamma_i \bar{x}} e^{\gamma_j \bar{x}} e^{-\beta_i \varpi_i \bar{x}} e^{-\beta_j \varpi_j \bar{x}}$$

$$\approx \sum_{ij} p_i p_j \sigma_{i,\text{loc}}(\beta_i \bar{x}, t) \sigma_{j,\text{loc}}(\beta_j \bar{x}, t) \rho_{ij}(\bar{x})$$

$$\rho_{ij}(\bar{x}) \equiv \rho_{ij} e^{(\gamma_i + \gamma_j - \beta_i \varpi_i - \beta_j \varpi_j) \bar{x}}$$

Equivalence holds only under additional assumptions on stock-volatility correlations

$$\omega_i \beta_i = \frac{\kappa_i r_{ii}}{\sigma_i} \frac{\sigma_i \rho_{iI}}{\sigma_I} = \frac{\kappa_i r_{ii} \rho_{iI}}{\sigma_I}$$

Method I

$$\gamma_i = \frac{\kappa_i r_{iI}}{\sigma_I}$$

Method II

$$r_{iI} = r_{ii} \rho_{iI}$$

$$r_{ij} = r_{ii} \rho_{ij}$$

Conditions under which both methods give equivalent valuations

Open (and very doable) problems

- ❑ Apply this technology for pricing swaptions based on the volatility skew of LIBOR rates or forward rates
 - ❑ If we use a Local Volatility model (e.g. BGM with square-root volatility), the answer is identical to the previous formula
 - ❑ The “full” SABR multi-asset model gives rise to a complicated Riemannian metric
- $$dL^2 = \sum_{ij=1}^n g_{ij} \frac{d\eta_i}{\sigma_i} \frac{d\eta_j}{\sigma_j} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(d\sigma_i)^2}{\kappa_i^2 \sigma_i^2}$$
- ❑ Credit default models for pricing CDOs are amenable to the same approach, especially copula-type models. I am not aware of any solutions

Epilogue: Structural Credit Model

$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ vector of firm values

Firm i defaults before time T if $x_i(T) < \alpha_i$

Equal weighted CDO: loss of m dollars if

$$\mathbf{x}(T) \in \Omega_m = \bigcup_{\text{card}(I) \geq m} \bigcap_{i \in I} \{x : x_i < \alpha_i\}$$

Solve

$$\inf \{L(0, \mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in \Omega_m\}$$