

# Parametric Option Pricing by Interpolation

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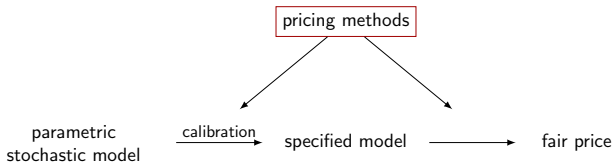
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# Introduction

- How to compute **real-time prices** in **complex models**?
- A new perspective: Parametric Option Pricing
- Enables **complexity reduction** here: by interpolation
- Error analysis
- Numerical Experiments



*Complexity reduction to enable **realistic stochastic models** for finance.*

## Open Research Question



Jim Gatheral

"The rBergomi model captures the implied vol surface extremely well!"

Question: How can we **compute option prices** in the model?



Christian Bayer

"Pricing requires involved Monte Carlo simulation here. I need 20 minutes for one price."

... not yet practicable

# Parametric Option Pricing = POP

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# Parametric Option Pricing (POP)

Computation of  $\text{Put}^{K,T,q} = E(\max\{(K - S_T^q), 0\})$

## Traditional approach

1. **Characterize** distribution of  $S_T^q$  and payoff function
2. **Distill** pricing method (PDE, Monte Carlo, ...)

Disadvantage: Limited possibilities for speed-up

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## New Perspective

1. **Repeatedly** compute  $\text{Put}^{K,T,q}$  for all  $(K, T, q)$
2. **Exploit** parametric dependency  $(K, T, q) \mapsto \text{Put}^{K,T,q}$

Advantage: Enables application of **complexity reduction techniques**

# Methods for POP

## **Fast Fourier Transform**

- + for plain vanilla options and a large number of strikes
- only one specific parameter

Carr and Madan (1999), Raible (2000),...

## **Reduced Basis**

- + for different types of parameters
- bound to partial differential equations

Sachs and Schu (2010), Cont et al. (2011), Haasdonk et al. (2012)

# It's magic

New method: Magic point integration

*Magic Points in Finance: Empirical Interpolation for Parametric Option Pricing*, M. Gaß, K. Glau and M. Mair (2015), arxiv: 1511.00884

*Parametric Integration by Magic Point Empirical Interpolation*, M. Gaß and K. Glau (2015), arxiv: 1511.08510

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# Architecture of Offline/Online Procedure

offline:

- reading the complexity
- extracting the essential information

online:

- real-time evaluation for the parameters of interest



# Key Idea

Exploit **functional dependence**

$$p = (K, T, q) \mapsto \text{Price}^{K,T,q} := E[f^K(S_T^q)],$$

where  $f^K$  is a payoff function with parameter  $K$ ,

**... by interpolation** in the parameters!

# Chebyshev Interpolation for POP

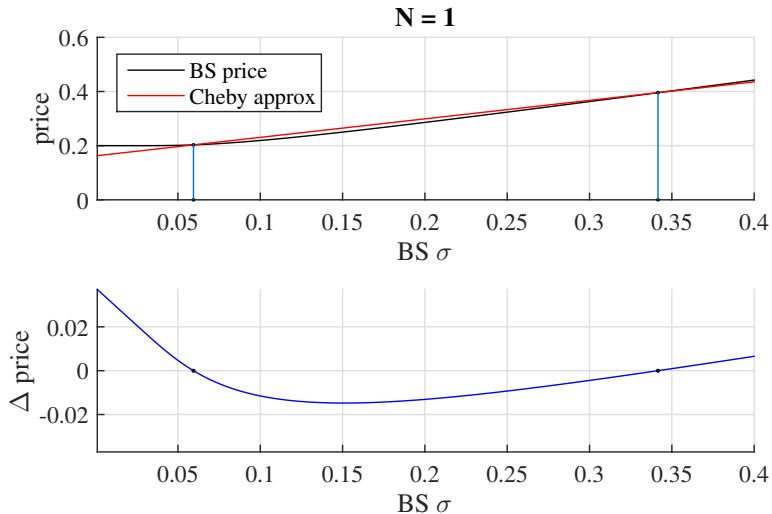


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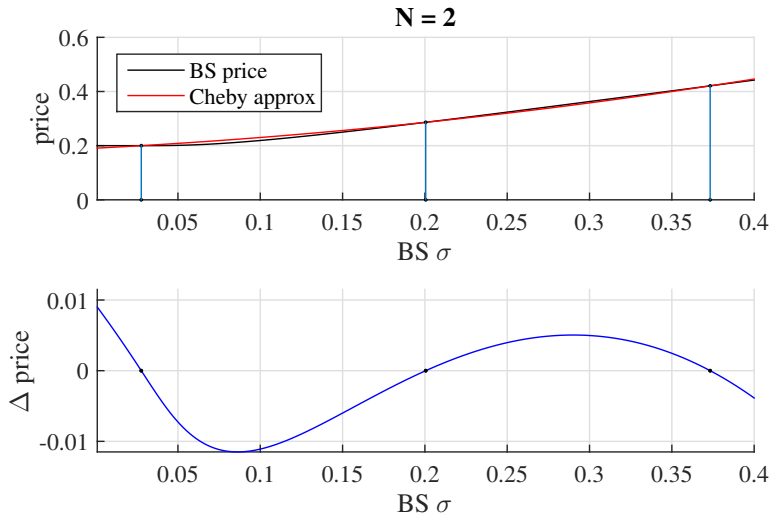


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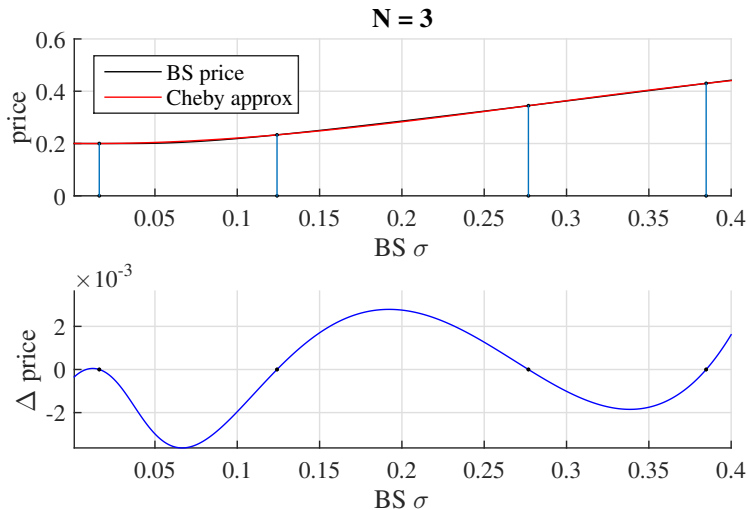


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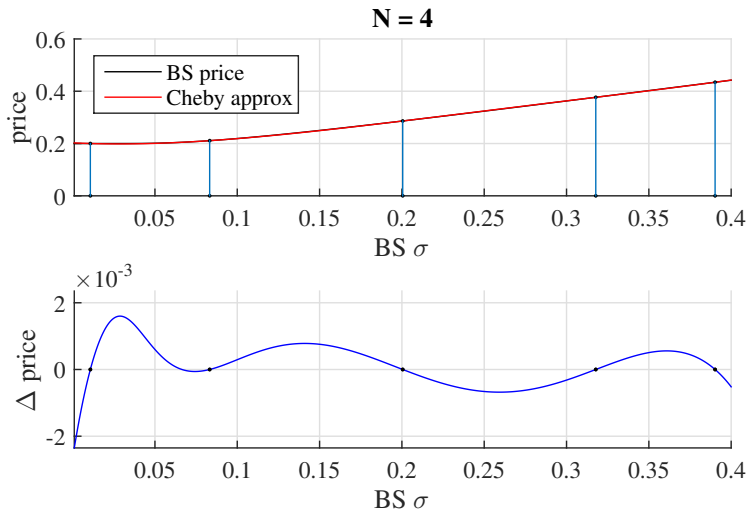


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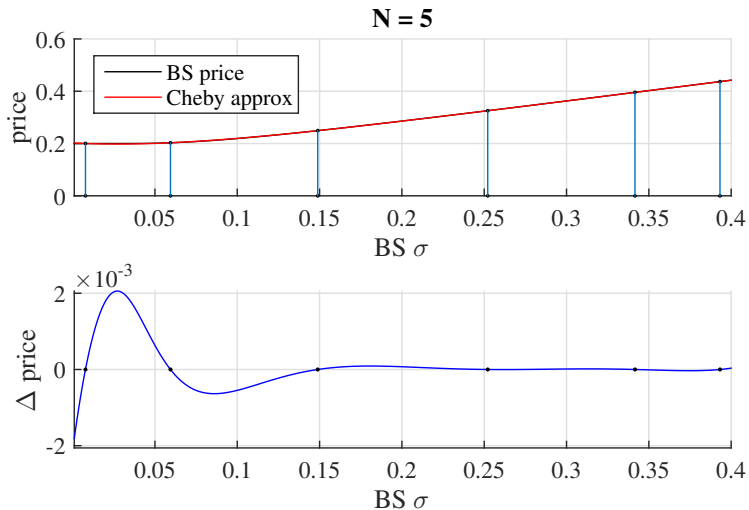


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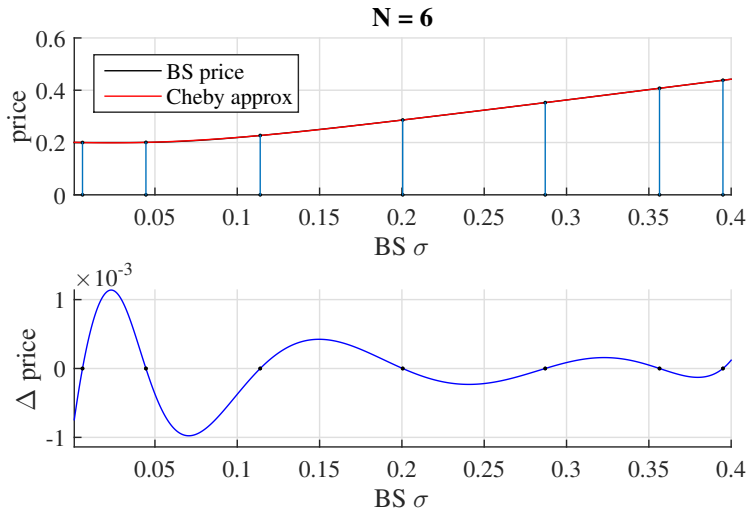


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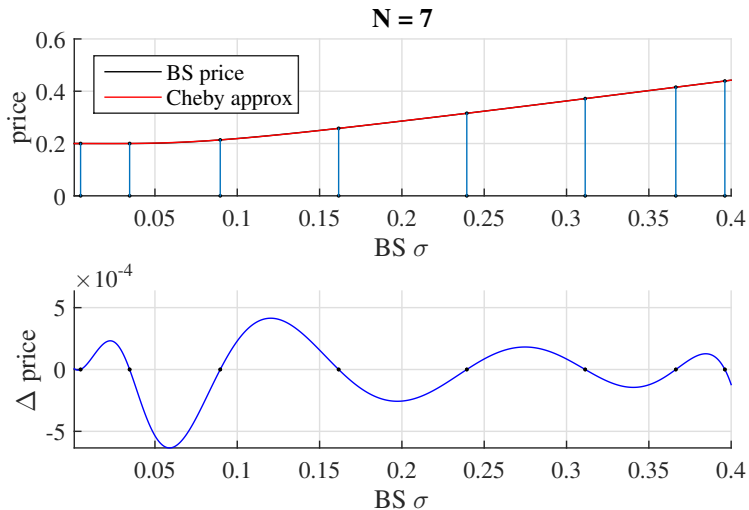


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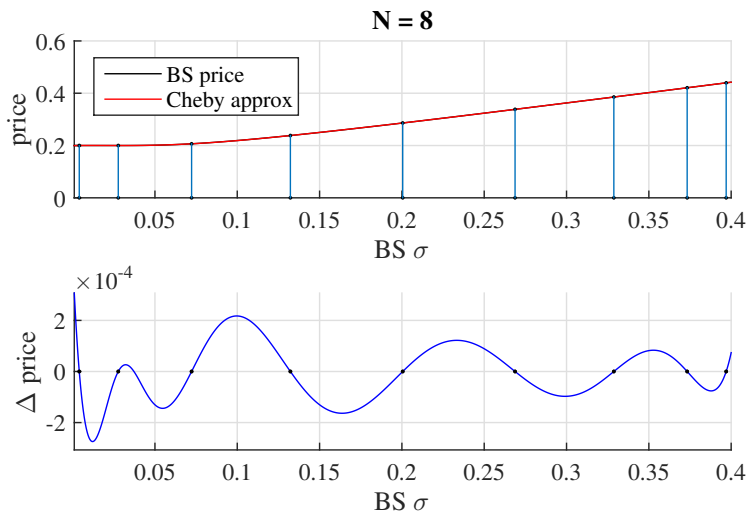


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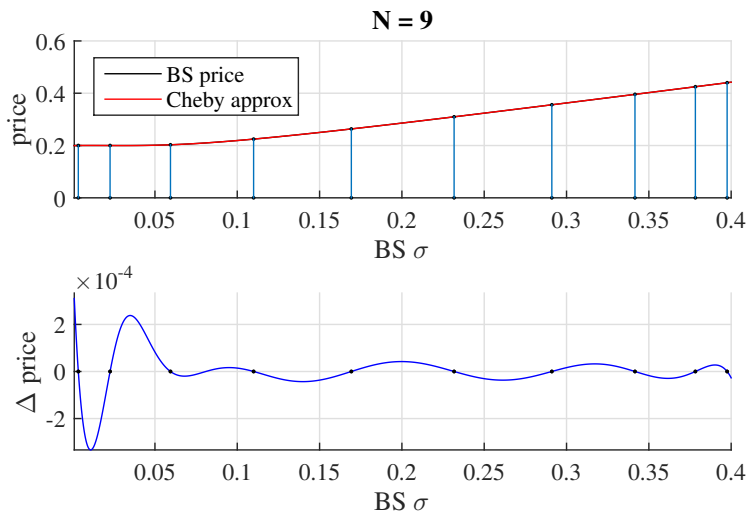


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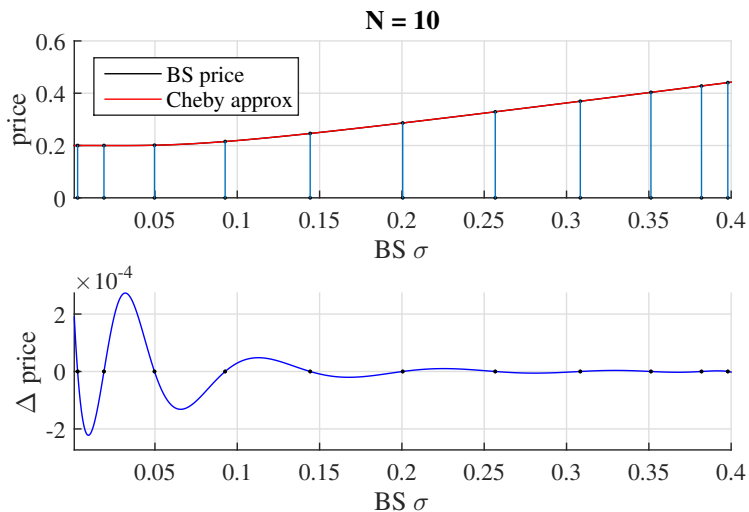


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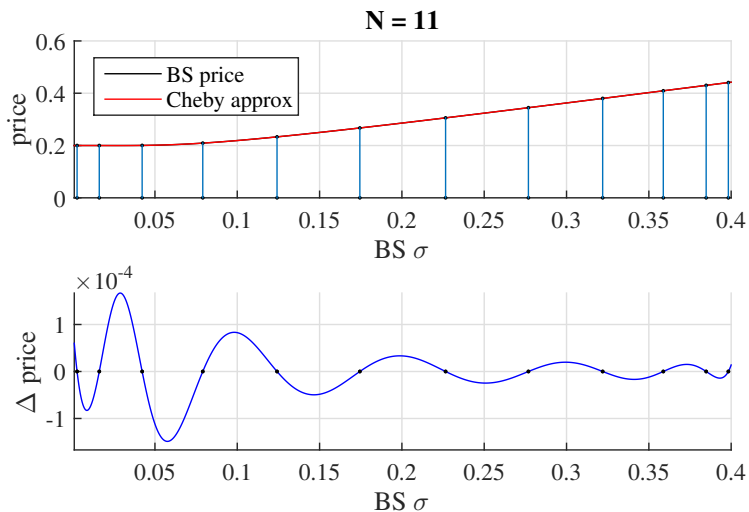


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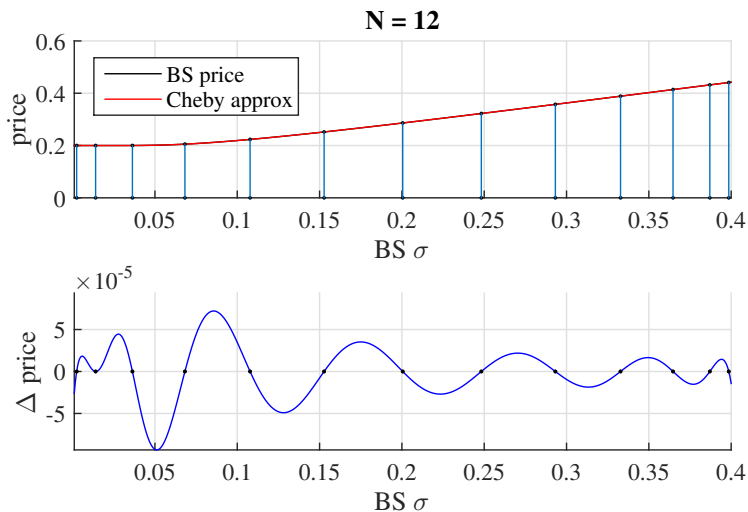
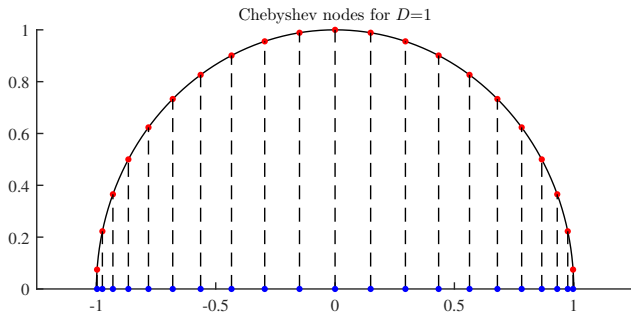


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# Chebyshev Interpolation

# Chebyshev Interpolation Points



# Chebyshev Polynomial Interpolation for POP

We approximate for log-strike  $K \in [-1, 1]$ ,

$$K \mapsto \text{Price}^K = E[f^K(S_T^q)]$$

by **Chebyshev polynomial interpolation**

$$\text{Price}^K \approx 2 \sum_{0 \leq j \leq N} c_j(\text{Price}) T_j(K),$$

with

nodes  $p_k := \cos\left(\pi \frac{k}{N}\right)$

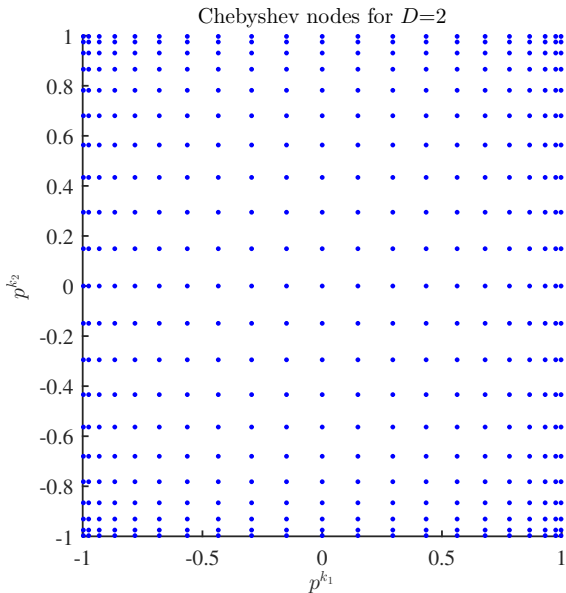
Chebyshev polynomials  $T_j(K) := \cos\left(j \arccos(K)\right)$

coefficients  $c_j(\text{Price}) := \sum_{0 \leq k \leq N}'' \text{Price}^{p_k} \cos\left(j \pi \frac{k}{N}\right)$ .

$\sum''$  indicates that the first and last summand is multiplied by 1/2.



# Tensorized Chebyshev Interpolation



# Tensorized Chebyshev Interpolation

**Offline:** For all Chebyshev nodes  $p^{k_1, \dots, k_D}$ , compute the

- option prices

$$Price^{p^{(k_1, \dots, k_D)}},$$

- coefficients

$$c_{(j_1, \dots, j_D)} = \left( \prod_{i=1}^D \frac{2^{\mathbb{1}_{\{j_i > 0\}}}}{(N_i + 1)} \right) \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1} \dots \sum_{k_D=0}^{N_D} Price^{p^{(k_1, \dots, k_D)}} \prod_{i=1}^D \cos \left( j_i \pi \frac{k_i}{N} \right).$$

**Online:**

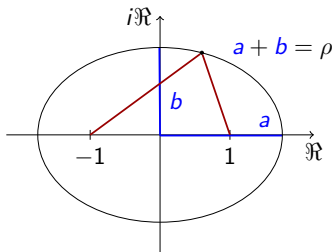
- Given parameter  $p$ , evaluate the polynomial,

$$I_{N_1 \dots N_D}(Price)(p) := \sum_{j_1=0}^{N_1} \dots \sum_{j_D=0}^{N_D} c_{(j_1, \dots, j_D)} \prod_{i=1}^D T_{j_i}(p_i).$$

# Convergence Analysis

## Why Chebyshev Interpolation?

- Chebyshev interpolation of  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cong$  Fourier approximation of a periodic function.
- By implementing Chebyshev interpolation Platte & Trefethen (2008) ... “combine the **feel of symbolics** with the **speed of numerics**.”



Based on analyticity conditions we have derived widely applicable conditions that imply

- (sub)exponential convergence of  $I_N(\text{Price}^{K,T,q}) \rightarrow \text{Price}^{K,T,q}$ ,
- convergence results for the derivatives.

## Conditions

Let the parameter set  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}^1 \times \mathcal{P}^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^D$  be a **hyperrectangle**.  
Let  $\varrho \in (1, \infty)^D$  with  $\varrho^1 := (\varrho_1, \dots, \varrho_m)$  and  $\varrho^2 := (\varrho_{m+1}, \dots, \varrho_D)$   
and let weight  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

(A1) **Integrability** of  $x \mapsto e^{\langle \eta, x \rangle} f^K(x)$  for all  $K \in \mathcal{P}^1$ .

(A2) **Analyticity** of  $K \mapsto \widehat{f^K}(z - i\eta)$  in  $B(\mathcal{P}^1, \varrho^1)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

(A3) **Exponential moment**  $E(e^{-\langle \eta, X_T^q \rangle}) < \infty$  for all  $(T, q) \in \mathcal{P}^2$ .

(A4) **Analyticity** of  $(T, q) \mapsto \varphi^{T,q}(z + i\eta)$  in  $B(\mathcal{P}^2, \varrho^2)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

(A5) **Uniform bound**: There exists  $h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that

$$\max_{(K, T, q) \in B(\mathcal{P}, \varrho)} \left| \widehat{f^K}(-z - i\eta) \varphi^{T,q}(z + i\eta) \right| \leq h(z) \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

# Convergence of Chebyshev Interpolation for POP

Theorem (Gaß, G., Mahlstedt, Mair (2016))

Let  $\varrho \in (1, \infty)^D$  and weight  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Conditions (A1)–(A5) imply

$$\max_{(K, T, q) \in \mathcal{P}} |Price^{(K, T, q)} - I_{\underline{N}}(Price^{(\cdot)})(K, T, q)| \leq C_{\underline{\varrho}}^{-\underline{N}},$$

where  $\underline{\varrho} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq D} \varrho_i$  and  $\underline{N} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq D} N_i$ .

Univariate case: Bernstein (1912), Trefethen (2013),  
proof of general result: Sauter and Schwab (2004),  
improved error bounds: G. and Mahlstedt (2016)

# Converge Analysis for Derivatives

Corollary (Gaß, G., Mahlstedt, Mair (2016))

*Conditions (A1)–(A5) imply for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  there exists a constant  $C(m) > 0$  such that*

$$\|Price^{(\cdot)} - I_{\overline{N}}(Price^{(\cdot)})(\cdot)\|_{C^l(\mathcal{P})} \leq C(M)N^{-m}\|Price^{(\cdot)}\|_{C^{2(l+1)+D+m}(\mathcal{P})}$$

*with*

$$\|u\|_{C^l(\mathcal{P})} = \max_{|\alpha| \leq l} \max_{p \in \mathcal{P}} |\partial^\alpha u(p)|.$$

Compare Canuto and Quarteroni (1982).

# Interaction of Approximation Errors at Nodal Points and Interpolation Errors

## Corollary (Gaß, G., Mahlstedt, Mair (2016))

Let  $\mathcal{P} \ni p \mapsto \text{Price}^p$  be given as before and assume that  $\varepsilon^{p^{(k_1, \dots, k_D)}} \leq \bar{\varepsilon}$  for all Chebyshev nodes  $p^{(k_1, \dots, k_D)}$ . Then

$$\max_{p \in \mathcal{P}} |\text{Price}^p - I_N(\text{Price}_\varepsilon^{(\cdot)})(p)| \leq C \underline{\varrho}^{-N} + 2^D \bar{\varepsilon} \prod_{i=1}^D (N_i + 1).$$



# Numerical Results

# Numerical Experiments: European Call

## Models:

Black and Scholes, Merton jump diffusion, a pure jump model, CGMY

- Free Parameters  $K \in [1, 10]$  and  $T \in [0.5, 2]$

Heston's stochastic volatility model

- Free Parameters  $K \in [1, 10]$  and  $v_0 \in [0.1^2, 0.4^2]$

**Product:** Call option on one asset.

**Interpolation:** In the 2 free parameters.

# Numerical Experiments: European Call

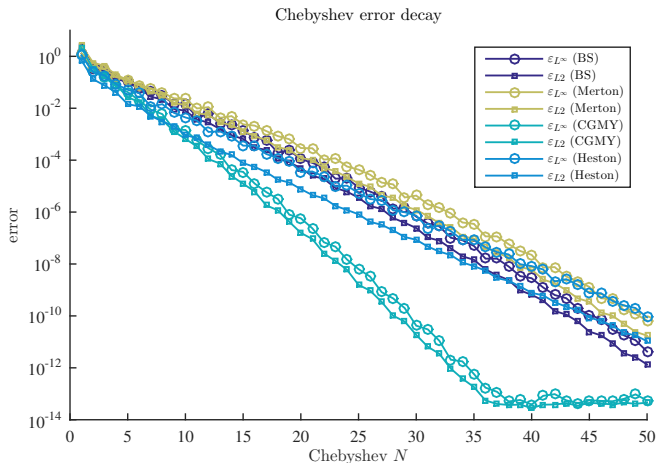


Figure : Convergence study for the BS, Merton, CGMY, Heston model

# Numerical Experiments: Lookback Basket

**Lookback basket option** for  $d$  underlyings,  $\bar{S}_j(T) := \max_{t \leq T} S_j(t)$ ,

$$f^K(S(t)_{0 \leq t \leq T}) = \left( \left( \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=1}^d \bar{S}_j(T) \right) - K \right)^+.$$

This is a **path-dependent** and **multi-asset** option.

Computation – in virtually all models – requires **Monte Carlo simulation**.

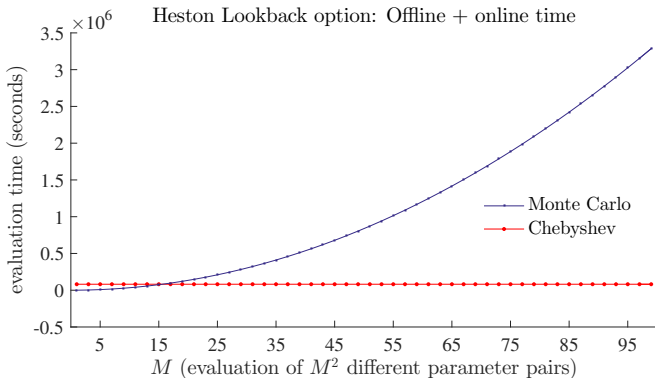
**Model:** Heston's stochastic volatility model, five underlyings,  $d = 5$ .

**Interpolation:** In 2 free parameters.

## Efficiency: Compared to Monte Carlo

Lookback basket option on five assets in Heston's model.  
The plot shows run-times for the computation of prices for  $M^2 = 1, \dots, M^2 = 100^2$  different parameter values pairs

$$(\sigma, \rho) \in [0.1, 0.5] \times [-1, 1]$$



Run-time comparison for same range of accuracy.

## Total Run-times for $M = 100$

offline:

- 23 hours

online:

- 7 seconds
- 49 summands, each

Monte Carlo, by comparison, needs 39 days.

## Example and outlook

Chebfun-3d Example: Spread option pricing in the bivariate Black-Scholes model, available on <http://www.chebfun.org/examples/applics/BlackScholes2D.html>

You can download the example and let it run. Here I let it run with slightly different specifications, namely the tolerance of chebfun3 is chosen  $10^{-6}$ , whereas online it is set to  $10^{-5}$  (so that the illustrative code is faster)

Low-rank 3d-tensor approximation of spread option prices in  $\varrho, K, T$ :

BlackScholes2D\_SpreadOption\_rho\_T\_K\_v2

chebPrice =

```
chebfun3 object
cols: Inf x 6  chebfun
rows: Inf x 16 chebfun
tubes: Inf x 9 chebfun
core: 6 x 16 x 9
length: 12, 65, 17
domain: [0.3, 2] x [0.3, 2] x [-0.9, 0.9]
vertical scale = 0.19
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Elapsed time is 226.981216 seconds.

time\_price =

2.0191

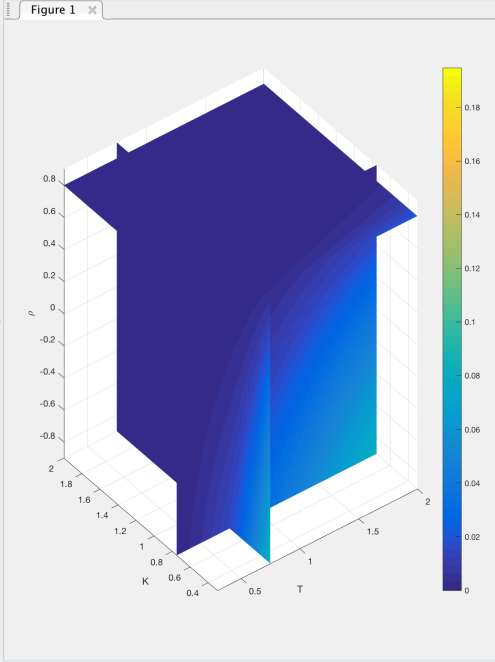
time\_ChebPrice =

0.0035

err =

2.5630e-04

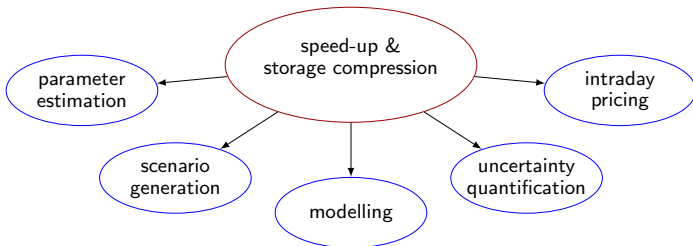
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# Outlook

- Monte Carlo + Chebyshev for **calibration** of rough vol model (with Christian Bayer WIAS Berlin, Jim Gatheral City Univ. NY)
- Approximation of the **implied volatility surface** (with Dilip Madan Univ. Maryland, Paul Herold, Christian Pötz, TU Munich)
- **More free parameters** (5+): low-rank tensor approximation technique (with Daniel Kressner, Francesco Statti, EPF Lausanne)
- **Applications:**



Paper:

Chebyshev Interpolation for Parametric Option Pricing, M. Gaß, K. Glau, M. Mahlstedt and M. Mair (2016), <http://arxiv.org/abs/1505.04648>

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