Accurate Neural Network Option Pricing Methods with Control Variate Techniques and Data Synthesis/Cleaning with Financial Rationality

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Introduction

What are options? Challenges in Pricing Options

What are options?

Strike Price

- Financial instruments giving the right to buy or sell an underlying assets at a specified price on a maturity date.
- Categories
 - In the Money (ITM): Has intrinsic value and time value.
 - Out of the Money (OTM): No intrinsic value, only time value.
- Components
 - Intrinsic Value: Immediate payoff if exercised.
 - Time Value: Future potential until expiration.
- Take a call option as an example ...



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	4,434.3	+0	4441.4	4455.2	0	2.09	0.9999	0	2		SPXW 1400.000	0.05	+0	0	0.05	0	1.97	-0.0001	0	586
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	3,920.59	9 +0	4042.2	4056	0	1.73	0.9999	0	1		SPXW 1800.000	0.15	+0	0	0.05	0	1.63	-0.0001	0	379
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trinsic	21.17	-0.78	21.1	21.3	89	0.11	0.2836	0.0027	429		SPXW 5930.000	85.4	-11.9	92.8	95.6	1	0.11	-0.7164	0.0027	14
lue .	22.48	+2.08	19.6	19.8	38	0.11	0.2693	0.0027	277		SPXW 5935.000	89.3	+0	96.2	99.1	0	0.11	-0.7307	0.0027	4
	22.02	+3.07	18.1	18.4	132	0.11	0.2552	0.0026	619		SPXW 5940.000	130.61	+0	99.8	102.6	0	0.11	-0.7448	0.0026	12
IX	14.4	+0	16.7	17	0	0.11	0.2415	0.0026	267		SPXW 5945.000	0	+0	103.4	106.3	0	0.11	-0.7585	0.0026	0
	16	-0.35	15.4	15.7	170	0.11	0.2281	0.0025	6978		SPXW 5950.000	95.5	-16.1	107.3	109.8	10	0.11	-0.7719	0.0025	471
	18.34	+3.24	14.2	14.5	71	0.1	0.2151	0.0024	240		SPXW 5955.000	100	-15.35	110.8	113.8	1	0.11	-0.7849	0.0024	1
	15	+1	13.1	13.3	143	0.1	0.2025	0.0023	1142		SPXW 5960.000	125.54	+0	114.7	117.6	0	0.11	-0.7975	0.0023	11
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	0.1	+0	0	0.1	0	0.28	0.0004	0	43		SPXW 7000.000	0	+0	1133.6	1148.1	0	0.32	-0.9996	0	0
S _t	0.2	+0	0	0.1	0	0.32	0.0002	0	403		SPXW 7200.000	0	+0	1333.2	1347.7	0	0.37	-0.9998	0	0
rinsic = 0	0.05	+0	0	0.05	0	0.34	0.0001	0	751		SPXW 7400.000	1,632.05	5 +0	1532.5	1547.3	0	0.38	-0.9999	0	0
ue ⁻ c	0.07	+0.02	0	0.1	7	0.4	0.0001	0	34		SPXW 7600.000	1,729.75	5-12.8	1732.4	1746.9	7	0.45	-0.9999	0	4
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0 S, B	9.9	-3.05	9.7	10.1	1,339	0.1	0.4687 0.0144	462	SPX 5855.000	13.9	-8.15	12	12.5	1,987	0.1	-0.5295 0.0144	362
Profit	Calls								Fri Nov 15 2024 🔿	Puts							
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	106.98	+0.38	106.1	107	50	0.15	0.5353 0.0016	418	SPX 5855.000	85.7	-9.95	89.5	90.2	8	0.15	-0.4648 0.0016	241
S _t	Calls								Fri Dec 20 2024 🔿	Puts							
	Last	Net	Bid	Ask	Vol	IV	Delta Gamma	Int	Strike	Last	Net	Bid	Ask	Vol	IV	Delta Gamma	Int
	162.1	-1.45	163.4	164	196	0.15	0.5557 0.0011	3772	SPX 5855.000	123.5	-6.85	124.3	124.9	128	0.15	-0.4451 0.0011	3896

Time Value

https://www.cboe.com/delayed_quotes/spx/quote_table

Challenges in Pricing Options

- Option pricing is crucial for market efficiency.
- Model-based approaches suffers from model misspecification problem.

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• Stale price in illiquid markets may reduce pricing accuracy.

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Proposed Method

Control variate approach Time value no-arbitrage constraints Remove unnecessary synthesized data Kink of time value surface Cleaning data









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Control Variates Approach

Time value based no-arbitrage conditions

Time value based neural network

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathsf{TV}}{\partial K} &= \frac{\partial \mathsf{OV}}{\partial K} - \frac{\partial (S_t - K)}{\partial K} \ge -1 - (-1) = 0. \end{aligned} \qquad \mathsf{C1} \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \mathsf{TV}}{\partial K} &= \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial K} \\ &= \frac{1}{S} e^{\tilde{w}} \sigma_1' (\tilde{b} + \frac{K}{S} e^{\tilde{w}}) \sigma_2 (\tilde{b} + \tau e^{\tilde{w}}) e^{\hat{w}} \ge 0 \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \mathsf{TV}}{\partial^2 K} &= \frac{\partial^2 \mathsf{OV}}{\partial^2 K} - \frac{\partial^2 (S_t - K)}{\partial^2 K} = f(S_T | S_t, \tau) - 0 \ge 0. \end{aligned} \qquad \mathsf{C2} \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial^2 \mathsf{TV}}{\partial k} &= \frac{\partial^2 y_i}{\partial^2 K} \\ &= \frac{1}{S} e^{2\tilde{w}} \sigma_1'' (\tilde{b} + \frac{K}{S} e^{\tilde{w}}) \sigma_2 (\tilde{b} + \tau e^{\tilde{w}}) e^{\hat{w}} \ge 0 \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\partial \mathsf{TV}}{\partial \tau} &= \frac{\partial \mathsf{OV}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\partial \mathsf{IV}}{\partial \tau} = \frac{\partial \mathsf{OV}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{S_t - K}{\partial \tau} \ge 0. \end{aligned} \qquad \mathsf{C3} \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \mathsf{TV}}{\partial \tau} &= e^{\tilde{w}} \sigma_1 (\tilde{b} + \frac{K}{S} e^{\tilde{w}}) \sigma_2 (\tilde{b} + \tau e^{\tilde{w}}) e^{\hat{w}} \ge 0, \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\partial \mathsf{IIV}}{\partial \tau} &= \frac{\partial \mathsf{OV}}{\partial \tau} - \frac{\mathsf{IIV}}{\delta \tau} = S_t - S_t = 0. \end{aligned} \qquad \mathsf{C3} \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \mathsf{IV}}{\partial \tau} &= e^{\tilde{w}} \sigma_1 (\tilde{b} + \frac{K}{S} e^{\tilde{w}}) \sigma_2 (\tilde{b} + \tau e^{\tilde{w}}) e^{\hat{w}} \ge 0, \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\sigma_1'(x)}{\sigma_1} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + \beta}} \right) > 0, \text{ since } \left| \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + \beta}} \right| < 1 \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\sigma_1''(x)}{\sqrt{x^2 + \beta}} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\beta}{\sqrt{x^2 + \beta^3}} \right) > 0, \end{aligned} \\ \frac{\sigma_1''(x)}{\sigma_2'(x)} &= \sigma_2(x)(1 - \sigma_2(x)) > 0 \end{aligned}$$



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Control Variates Approach

Handle kink of time value surface by supplementary data



Data Cleaning

Trade-off between data quality and quantity



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Experiments

Datasets Training Setting Results on S&P 500 Option Results on TAIEX Option

Datasets & Environment

TAIEX Index Option

2014 - 2021 Option: TXO from Taiwan Future Exchange Underlying: TXF from Taiwan Future Exchange Risk-Free Rate: Bank of Taiwan

Environment

OS: Linux Memory: 128 GB CPU: 2 * AMD EPYC 7702P 64-Core Processors

S&P 500 Index Option

2010 - 2016 Option: S&P 500 from OptionMetric Underlying: S&P 500 from Yahoo Finance Dividend Yield Rate: S&P 500 from OptionMetric Risk-Free Rate: U.S. Department of the Treasury

Evaluation Metrics

MSE, MAPE

		Training Set			Testing Set		
Model	Error	Overall	ITM	OTM	Overall	ITM	OTM
BS	MSE	75.31	97.21	31.89	78.01	99.86	35.08
[5]	MAPE(%)	48.66	3.60	144.28	50.33	3.67	149.48
Variance Gamma	MSE	17.66	20.03	11.76	19.94	22.19	14.41
[22]	MAPE(%)	15.04	2.71	40.65	16.43	2.84	44.55
Kou's Jump	MSE	14.47	16.34	10.02	16.7	18.49	12.61
[19]	MAPE(%)	12.23	2.18	32.39	14.00	2.29	37.70
Multi without syn.	MSE	113.29	135.15	70.52	117.15	139.07	72.74
[29]	MAPE(%)	10.57	2.74	26.92	13.95	3.05	36.57
Multi with syn.	MSE	8.52	11.27	2.95	11.45	13.88	6.48
[29]	MAPE(%)	5.93	1.10	15.65	9.66	1.44	26.29
CV with supplement	MSE	3.78	3.26	4.93	5.14	4.71	6.18
but without redundant syn.	MAPE(%)	7.66	0.89	21.33	9.33	1.19	25.80
CV with supplement	MSE	5.12	5.67	4.03	7.5	8.68	5.68
and redundant syn.	MAPE(%)	7.25	1.50	18.85	9.81	1.91	25.58
CV with redundant syn.	MSE	9.26	10.97	6.19	117.5	179.34	6.64
but without supplement	MAPE(%)	7.36	2.17	17.81	9.72	2.53	24.26
CV uses one NN	MSE	92.35	115.26	48.25	99.65	121.9	58.55
	MAPE(%)	23.16	5.69	60.05	27.51	5.86	72.80

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Results on TAIEX Option

		Befor	re Data Clear	ning	After Data cleaning				
Model	Error	Overall	ITM	OTM	Overall	ITM	OTM		
BS	MSE	979.47	1263.32	752.24	994.72	1265.41	767.88		
(Black and Scholes [5])	MAPE(%)	35.52	2.62	82.75	35.09	2.66	81.51		
Variance Gamma	MSE	357.84	416.53	368.51	365.15	418.77	378.33		
(Madan et al. [22])	MAPE(%)	19.52	1.75	44.44	18.96	1.78	42.98		
Kou's Jump	MSE	319.4	378.26	314.12	323.12	367.51	321.88		
(Kou[19])	MAPE(%)	17.57	1.63	38.88	17.13	1.65	37.78		
Multi	MSE	8820.45	12401.15	3946.04	7456.88	13713.16	1349.06		
(Yang et al. [29])	MAPE(%)	65.63	7.69	150.57	37.12	4.1	85.52		
Deep Smoothing	MSE	3710.67	5511.63	1191.23	3490.72	5359.1	885.74		
(Ackerer et al. [1])	MAPE(%)	51.09	9.7	111.15	49	9.81	105.54		
Hybrid gated NN	MSE	251978.14	423181.76	17719.31	21591.17	21644.39	21580.21		
(Cao et al. [7])	MAPE(%)	836.46	29.25	1859.18	687.53	10.76	1559.75		
Conv-LSTM	MSE	5205.84	6044	3025	5203	6659	3171		
(Ge et al. [13])	MAPE(%)	1271.44	477	11641	974.71	397	11600		
CV	MSE	537.51	611.56	540.26	301.31	421.35	225.21		
	MAPE(%)	13.19	1.48	28.95	11.72	1.27	25.72		

Table 4: Comparing Pricing Accuracy for TAIEX Options Before/After Data Cleaning on the Testing Set

Conclusions

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- Reduces prediction errors by decomposing option values using control variate techniques
- Incorporate no-arbitrage constraints for time value surface into neural network
- Remove those unnecessary data synthesis from past approaches.
- Propose a data cleaning trick to price the option in the illiquid market more accurately

Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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