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# Market calibration under a long memory stochastic volatility model

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**ABSTRACT** *In this article we study a long memory stochastic volatility model (LSV) firstly proposed by Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011). Under the model, stock prices follow a jump-diffusion stochastic process and its stochastic volatility is driven by a continuous-time fractional process that attains a long memory. LSV model should take into account most of the observed market aspects described by Cont (2001). Unlike many other approaches, the volatility clustering phenomenon is captured explicitly by the long memory parameter. Moreover, this property has been reported in realized volatility time-series across different asset classes and time periods (Bollerslev and Mikkelsen, 1996; Breidt et al., 1998; Martens et al., 2004). In the first part of the article, we derive an alternative formula for pricing European securities. The formula enables us to effectively price European options and to calibrate the model to a given option market. In the second part of the article, we provide an empirical review of the model calibration. For this purpose, a set of traded FTSE 100 index call options is used and the long memory volatility model is compared to a popular pricing approach - the Heston model (Heston, 1993). To test stability of calibrated parameters and to verify calibration results from previous data set, we utilize multiple data sets from NYSE option market on Apple Inc. stock.*

**KEY WORDS:** European call option, stochastic volatility, long memory, fractional process, market calibration.

## 1. Introduction

The purpose of this article is to revisit a jump-diffusion and fractional stochastic volatility approach proposed by Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011). Using our alternative formula for pricing European options, we present empirical calibration results and we comment on suitability of this approach.

First of all, we define a long-range dependence (LRD or equivalently a long memory) property. Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a generic probability space that is used for all stochastic processes in this article unless explicitly stated otherwise. Let  $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$  be a stationary stochastic process defined on the probability space. Then its auto-covariance function for arbitrary real  $s, t: 0 \leq s < t$  depends only on the lag  $k := t - s$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_X(k)$ ,

$$\gamma_X(k) = \mathbb{E}[(X_s - \mathbb{E}X_s)(X_{s+k} - \mathbb{E}X_{s+k})].$$

A stochastic process  $X_t$  is said to have a long-range dependence if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\gamma_X(k)}{Ck^{-\alpha}} = 1, \quad (1)$$

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where both  $C$  and  $\alpha$  are constants and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Also the sum of auto-covariances for different lags diverges,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \gamma_X(k) = +\infty. \quad (2)$$

One can understand the LRD phenomenon quite intuitively. For increasing lag, the dependence might be small, but its cumulative effect is not negligible [due to (2)].

One of the first evidences of long-range dependence in market volatility come from Taylor (1986) and Ding *et al.* (1993). In both studies, a strong evidence of autocorrelation of absolute returns is presented (even for longer lags). Authors also noticed that correlation estimates decay significantly slower for absolute returns than for the returns themselves. Breidt *et al.* (1998) used spectral tests and R/S analysis to estimate a long memory parameter for volatility of market indexes' daily returns from 1962 to 1989. To incorporate the long memory phenomenon into volatility modelling, Bollerslev and Mikkelsen (1996) suggested a modification of a well known GARCH (Generalized Auto-Regressive Conditional Heteroskedasticity) model - fractionally integrated GARCH. The authors compare several models in terms of forecasting realized volatility and they also compare model prices of (synthetic) options. Further improvement of the ARCH-type approach to option pricing is suggested by Zumbach and Fernández (2013) and Zumbach and Fernández (2014). They provide an insight into construction of the risk-neutral measure and explain how to estimate the parameters, reproduce the volatility smile and the term structure of the surfaces without any calibration of the observed option prices.

Another discrete-time modelling approach that captures LRD is ARFIMA model (fractionally integrated ARMA) (Granger and Joyeux, 1980). Martens *et al.* (2004) have shown, using their own study alongside similar works by various authors, that ARFIMA models can provide more satisfactory results than GARCH-type approaches. The estimates of a fractional differencing parameter for market volatility typically lie in  $[0.2, 0.4]$  which is equivalent to the Hurst exponent ranging in  $[0.7, 0.9]$ . Koopman *et al.* (2005) also empirically confirmed that long memory ARFIMA models seem to provide the most accurate forecasts of realized volatility. Lately Asai *et al.* (2012) introduced a new correction term for the ARFIMA model with respect to volatility modelling. For an empirical comparison of ARMA and ARFIMA models see for example the thesis by Čekal (2012). Beran *et al.* (2013), Zumbach (2013) and the references therein provide a comprehensive review of recent advances in discrete-time long memory modelling.

Many practitioners prefer continuous-time models for calibration to the whole volatility surface. Pioneering a long memory stochastic volatility, Comte and Renault (1998) introduced a modification of the Hull-White model. The stochastic volatility process is driven by a fractional Brownian motion (fBm), i.e. a centred Gaussian process,  $(B_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$ , defined via its covariance structure

$$\mathbb{E}[B_t B_s] = \frac{1}{2} (t^{2H} + s^{2H} - |t - s|^{2H}), \quad (3)$$

where  $H$  is a constant in  $(0, 1)$ , commonly known as the Hurst exponent. This process possesses many interesting properties, most noticeably, for  $H \in (1/2, 1)$  fBm exhibits a long-range dependence (Mandelbrot and Van Ness, 1968). Comte and Renault also comment on a no-arbitrage condition which is satisfied by a market model with the suggested dynamics alongside a standard class of admissible portfolios. This differs from a situation where market

dynamics is due to the fractional Black-Scholes model (i.e. stock prices follow a geometric fractional Brownian motion). In that case, one has to come up with a different integration theory accompanied by a different class of admissible strategies (on that matter see e.g. Øksendal, 2003). Comte *et al.* (2012) introduced a more refined model with more degrees of freedom where stochastic volatility follows a fractional CIR process. Since fBm is not a semimartingale for  $H \neq 0.5$ , we cannot use a well-developed Itô stochastic calculus on any of the aforementioned fractional stochastic volatility models.

Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011) came up with a new long memory stochastic volatility model which would be subject to the main focus of this article. Authors applied theoretical results by Thao (2006) and Zähle (1998) to overcome restrictions inherited from the usage of fBm. They started with fBm in the Liouville form (Mandelbrot and Van Ness, 1968),

$$B_t = \frac{1}{\Gamma(H + 1/2)} \left[ Z_t + \int_0^t (t - s)^{H-1/2} dW_s \right],$$

where  $Z_t = \int_{-\infty}^0 [(t - s)^{H-1/2} - (-s)^{H-1/2}] dW_s$  and  $(W_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$ , is a standard Wiener process. The stochastic process  $Z_t$  has continuous trajectories and thus, for the sake of long memory, one can consider only the following part of  $B_t$  with the Hurst exponent  $H \in (1/2, 1)$ .

$$\hat{B}_t = \int_0^t (t - s)^{H-1/2} dW_s. \tag{4}$$

Thao (2006) showed that one can approximate  $\hat{B}_t$  by

$$\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon = \int_0^t (t - s + \varepsilon)^{H-1/2} dW_s; \quad \hat{B}_t^\varepsilon \xrightarrow{L^2(\Omega)} \hat{B}_t, \tag{5}$$

as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ . Also  $\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon$  is a semimartingale with respect to the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$  generated by the standard Wiener process  $W_t$ . Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011) proposed a jump-diffusion model with approximative fractional volatility. Dynamics of the stock prices follow a system of two stochastic differential equations which under a risk-neutral probability measure<sup>1</sup> take the following form,

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sqrt{v_t} S_t dW_t^{(1)} + Y_t S_{t-} dN_t, \tag{6}$$

$$dv_t = -\kappa(v_t - \bar{v}) dt + \xi v_t d\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon, \tag{7}$$

where  $\kappa, \bar{v}, \xi$  are model parameters, such that,  $\kappa$  is a mean-reversion rate,  $\bar{v}$  stands for an average volatility level and finally,  $\xi$  is so-called volatility of volatility. Under the notation  $S_{t-}$  we understand  $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow t-} S_\tau$  and  $(N_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}, (W_t^{(1)})_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$  is a Poisson process and a standard Wiener process respectively.  $Y_t$  denotes an amplitude of a jump at  $t$  (conditional on occurrence of the jump) and differential  $d\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon$  corresponds to the following integral which Thao and Nguyen (2003) defined for arbitrary stochastic process with bounded variation  $(F_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$ ,

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<sup>1</sup>A risk-neutral probability measure for this model is not uniquely defined due to the incompleteness of the market, purely for derivatives pricing we do not need to specify it. Comments on the equivalent martingale measures for classical stochastic volatility models are available, for instance, in Sircar and Papanicolaou (1999) and references therein.

$$I_t = \int_0^t F_s d\hat{B}_s^\varepsilon := F_t \hat{B}_t^\varepsilon - \int_0^t \hat{B}_s^\varepsilon dF_s - [F, \hat{B}^\varepsilon]_t, \tag{8}$$

provided the right-hand side integral exists in a Riemann-Stieltjes sense, while  $[F, \hat{B}^\varepsilon]_t$  being a mixed variation of  $F_t$  and  $\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon$ .

The use of approximation  $\hat{B}_t^\varepsilon$  instead of fBm provides several advantages. Most significantly, we are able to derive a pricing PDE using Itô calculus and standard hedging arguments. Moreover, using theoretical results of Thao and Nguyen (2003) we can transform volatility process into standard settings as was shown by Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011),

$$dv_t = [(a\xi\varphi_t - \kappa)v_t + \theta] dt + \xi v_t \varepsilon^a dW_t^{(2)}, \tag{9}$$

where  $a := H - 1/2$ ,  $\theta := \kappa\bar{v}$  is a constant and  $\varphi_t$  represents an Itô integral,

$$\varphi_t = \int_0^t (t - s + \varepsilon)^{H-3/2} dW_s^{(3)}, \tag{10}$$

$(W_t^{(2)})_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}, (W_t^{(3)})_{t \in \mathbb{R}^+}$  are standard Wiener processes. To have a more realistic model of market dynamics, we also add an instantaneous correlation  $\rho : E[W_t^{(1)}W_t^{(2)}] = \rho$  to mimic the stock-volatility leverage effect. Also we assume  $W_t^{(3)}$  is stochastically independent on both  $W_t^{(1)}W_t^{(2)}$  and the jump part  $Y_t S_{t-} dN_t$  which is yet to be defined.

## 2. An alternative semi-closed form solution

Up to now, we have introduced a theoretical background for the model mainly using the original research by Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011). In this section, we consider a model with dynamics (6)-(7) and we derive an alternative formula for pricing European contracts and thereafter we show, employing empirical data sets, that this formula can be efficiently used for applications in practise, such as a market calibration.

We utilize dynamics (6)-(7) with process  $N_t$  defined as:

$$N_t = \sum_{i=1}^{P_t} Y_i, \tag{11}$$

where  $(Y_n)$  are *i.i.d.* random variables  $Y_n = \exp\{\alpha_J + \gamma_J \psi_t\} - 1$ ,  $\psi_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  and  $P_t$  is a Poisson process with hazard rate  $\lambda$ .

Unlike in case of Intarasit and Sattayatham (2011), we will assume<sup>2</sup> that the jump part is stochastically independent on diffusion processes in market dynamics (6)-(7) which will significantly simplify the option pricing problem. Instead of solving partial integral differential equations with respect to (6)-(7) we consider the following system of market dynamics without jumps.

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sqrt{v_t} S_t dW_t^{(1)}, \tag{12}$$

$$dv_t = \alpha dt + \beta \sqrt{v_t} dW_t^{(2)}, \tag{13}$$

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<sup>2</sup>This assumption is taken into consideration in many jump-diffusion stock models, e.g. Bates (1996)

where the functions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  take the following form  $\alpha = \alpha(S_t, v_t, t) := (a\xi\varphi_t - \kappa)v_t + \theta$ ,  $\beta = \beta(S_t, v_t, t) := \xi\varepsilon^a\sqrt{v_t}$ . We will derive the valuation PDE which can be solved using the Fourier method. The price of a European option is expressed in terms of characteristic functions and to include jumps in the stock price process, it is sufficient to multiply these characteristic functions with their jump counterparts<sup>3</sup>. A fair price of a vanilla option  $V$  is expressed as a discounted expectation of the terminal pay-off. In case of a call option, this reads

$$\begin{aligned} V_c(S_t, v_t, t) &= e^{-r\tau} \mathbf{E} [(S_T - K)^+] \\ &= S_t P_1(x_t, v_t, \tau) - e^{-r\tau} K P_2(x_t, v_t, \tau) \\ &= e^{x_t} P_1(x_t, v_t, \tau) - e^{-r\tau} K P_2(x_t, v_t, \tau), \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

where parameters of the contract  $K$  and  $\tau := T - t$  represent a strike price and time to maturity respectively.  $P_1, P_2$  can be interpreted as the risk-neutral probabilities that option expires in the money conditional on the value of  $x_t = \ln S_t$  and finally  $r$  is assumed to be a uniquely determined risk-free rate constant.

Applying standard hedging arguments alongside constant risk-free rate paradigm, one arrives at the initial value problem (Sobotka, 2014),

$$-\frac{\partial V_c}{\partial \tau} + \frac{1}{2}v_t \frac{\partial^2 V_c}{\partial x_t^2} + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}v_t\right) \frac{\partial V_c}{\partial x_t} + \rho\beta v_t \frac{\partial^2 V_c}{\partial v_t \partial x_t} - rV_c + \frac{1}{2}v_t\beta^2 \frac{\partial^2 V_c}{\partial v_t^2} + \alpha \frac{\partial V_c}{\partial v_t} = 0; \tag{15}$$

$$V_c(S_T, v_T, \tau = 0) = (S_T - K)^+. \tag{16}$$

As we would like to express probabilities  $P_1, P_2$ , we input (14) therein. The equation (15) has to be satisfied for any combination of parameters  $K, r \in \mathbb{R}, \tau \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and for any price  $S_t \geq 0$ . Thus, we are able to set  $K = 0, S_t = 1$ , to obtain a PDE with respect to  $P_1$  only.

$$-\frac{\partial P_1}{\partial \tau} + \frac{1}{2}v_t \frac{\partial^2 P_1}{\partial x_t^2} + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}v_t\right) \frac{\partial P_1}{\partial x_t} + \rho\beta v_t \frac{\partial^2 P_1}{\partial v_t \partial x_t} + \frac{1}{2}v_t\beta^2 \frac{\partial^2 P_1}{\partial v_t^2} + (\alpha + \rho\beta v_t) \frac{\partial P_1}{\partial v_t} = 0. \tag{17}$$

Following similar arguments, we retrieve a PDE for  $P_2$  only by setting  $S_t = r = 0, K = -1$ .

$$-\frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \tau} + \frac{1}{2}v_t \frac{\partial^2 P_2}{\partial x_t^2} + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}v_t\right) \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial x_t} + \rho\beta v_t \frac{\partial^2 P_2}{\partial v_t \partial x_t} + \frac{1}{2}v_t\beta^2 \frac{\partial^2 P_2}{\partial v_t^2} + \alpha \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial v_t} = 0. \tag{18}$$

Instead of solving the system of two PDEs (17)-(18) directly, we express characteristic functions  $f_j = f_j(\phi, \tau), j = 1, 2$ . After analytical expressions for  $f_j$  are known, we can easily obtain  $P_j$  using the inverse Fourier transform,

$$P_j = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \Re \left[ \frac{e^{i\phi \ln(K)} f_j}{i\phi} \right] d\phi, \tag{19}$$

where  $\Re(x)$  denotes a real part of a complex number  $x$ . As in the original paper by Heston (1993), we are looking for characteristic functions  $f_j$  in the form,

$$f_j = \exp \{C_j(\tau, \phi) + D_j(\tau, \phi)v_t + i\phi x\}. \tag{20}$$

As a direct consequence of the discounted version of Feynman-Kac theorem (as e.g. in Shreve (2004)),  $f_j$  follows PDE (17) and (18). Firstly, we substitute assumed expression (20) with

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<sup>3</sup>This is possible due to the stochastic independence with diffusion processes and log-normal distribution of the jumps, see (Gatheral, 2006)

respect to  $f_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left( \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial \tau} + v_t \frac{\partial D_1}{\partial \tau} \right) f_1 + \rho \beta v_t i \phi D_1 f_1 - \frac{1}{2} v_t \phi^2 f_1 + \frac{1}{2} v_t \beta^2 D_1^2 f_1 \\
 & + \left( r + \frac{1}{2} v_t \right) i \phi f_1 + (\alpha + \rho \beta v_t) f_1 D_1 = 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

$f_1$  cannot be identically equal to zero which enables us to get the following relation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial \tau} + v_t \frac{\partial D_1}{\partial \tau} + \rho \beta v_t i \phi D_1 - \frac{1}{2} v_t \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} v_t \beta^2 D_1^2 \\
 & + \left( r + \frac{1}{2} v_t \right) i \phi + (\alpha + \rho \beta v_t) D_1 = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Now we are ready to substitute back for  $\alpha$ . After rearranging terms with  $C_1, D_1$  and factoring out  $v_t$  we obtain the upcoming PDE,

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_t \left[ - \frac{\partial D_1}{\partial \tau} + \rho \beta i \phi D_1 - \frac{1}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 D_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} i \phi + (a \xi \varphi_0 - \kappa + \rho \beta) D_1 \right] - \\
 - \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial \tau} + r i \phi + \theta D_1 = 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

where we recall that  $\varphi_t$  is a martingale and  $\varphi_0 = E[\varphi_t]$  is used. None of the terms outside brackets involve  $v_t$ , hence we can split (23) into a system of two equations.

$$\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial \tau} = \rho \beta i \phi D_1 - \frac{1}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 D_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} i \phi + (a \xi \varphi_0 - \kappa + \rho \beta) D_1; \tag{24}$$

$$\frac{\partial C_1}{\partial \tau} = r i \phi + \theta D_1, \tag{25}$$

provided  $v_t > 0$  for  $t : 0 \leq t \leq T$ . Following the same steps, one can obtain a similar system for  $f_2$  as well. As a result thereof, characteristic functions  $f_j$  defined by (20) have to satisfy the following system of four differential equations

$$\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial \tau} = \rho \beta i \phi D_1 - \frac{1}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 D_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} i \phi + (a \xi \varphi_0 - \kappa + \rho \beta) D_1; \tag{26}$$

$$\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial \tau} = \rho \beta i \phi D_2 - \frac{1}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 D_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} i \phi + (a \xi \varphi_0 - \kappa) D_2; \tag{27}$$

$$\frac{\partial C_j}{\partial \tau} = r i \phi + \theta D_j; \tag{28}$$

with respect to the initial condition

$$C_j(0, \phi) = D_j(0, \phi) = 0, \tag{29}$$

where  $j = 1, 2$ . The first two equations for  $D_j$  are known as the Riccati equations with constant coefficients. Once  $D_j$  are obtained, one can solve the last two ODE's by a direct integration.

Firstly, we show how to express  $D_j$  from the Ricatti equations. For the sake of a simpler notation, we will rewrite equations (26) and (27) using abbreviated form.

$$\frac{\partial D_j(\tau, \phi)}{\partial \tau} = A_j D_j^2 + B_j D_j + K_j, \tag{30}$$

where  $A_j, B_j$  and  $K_j \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let us also denote:

$$\Delta_j = \sqrt{B_j^2 - 4A_j K_j}; \quad Y_j = \frac{-B_j + \Delta_j}{2A_j}; \quad g_j = \frac{B_j - \Delta_j}{B_j + \Delta_j}.$$

**Proposition 2.1:** Assuming  $A_j \neq 0$  for  $j = 1, 2$ , Ricatti equations (30) attain an analytical solution with respect to the initial condition  $D_j(0, \phi) = 0$ ,

$$D_j(\tau, \phi) = \frac{Y_j (1 - e^{\Delta_j \tau})}{1 - g_j e^{\Delta_j \tau}}.$$

**Proof:** Without loss of generality, we will solve the equation for a fixed index  $j$  and for  $y := D_j$ , while  $A := A_j, B := B_j, K := K_j$

$$y' = Ay^2 + By + K, \tag{31}$$

$$Ay' = (Ay)^2 + AB y + AK, \tag{32}$$

Since  $A, B$  and  $K$  are constant in time (or with respect to  $\tau$ ), we are able to substitute  $v = Ay; v' = Ay' + A'y = Ay'$ .

$$v' = v^2 + Bv + AK, \tag{33}$$

$$-\frac{u''}{u} = -B\frac{u'}{u} + AK, \tag{34}$$

where  $v = -u'/u; v' = -[u''u - (u')^2]/u^2 = v^2 - u''/u'$ . The equation can be rewritten in the following form

$$0 = u'' - Bu' + AKu. \tag{35}$$

We are able to solve (35) explicitly.

$$u(\tau) = I_1 \exp\left\{\frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4AK}}{2}\tau\right\} + I_2 \exp\left\{\frac{B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AK}}{2}\tau\right\} = I_1 e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} + I_2 e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau},$$

where  $I_1, I_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  are both constants can be expressed due to the initial condition:

$$u'(0) = I_1 \left(\frac{B - \Delta}{2}\right) + I_2 \left(\frac{B + \Delta}{2}\right) = 0,$$

$$u(0) = I_1 + I_2 = \gamma; \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}.$$

Solving the system of two linear equations we retrieve  $I_1, I_2$ ,

$$I_1 = \gamma \frac{B + \Delta}{2\Delta},$$

$$I_2 = -\gamma \frac{B - \Delta}{2\Delta},$$

and the solution  $u(\tau)$ ,

$$u(\tau) = \gamma \left[ \left(\frac{B + \Delta}{2\Delta}\right) e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - \left(\frac{B - \Delta}{2\Delta}\right) e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau} \right]. \tag{36}$$

To obtain  $y(\tau)$  we go through steps (31)-(35) backwards. The first derivative of  $u$  takes the form

$$u' = \gamma \left[ \frac{AK}{\Delta} e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - \frac{AK}{\Delta} e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau} \right] \tag{37}$$

and since  $v = -u'/u$ ,  $v$  reads

$$v = \frac{2AK \left( e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau} \right)}{(B + \Delta)e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - (B - \Delta)e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau}}.$$

Using  $y = v/A$ , one can obtain the solution,

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \frac{2K \left( e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau} \right)}{(B+\Delta)e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - (B-\Delta)e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau}} \\
 &= \frac{2K \left( e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} - e^{\frac{B+\Delta}{2}\tau} \right)}{(B+\Delta)e^{\frac{B-\Delta}{2}\tau} \left( 1 - \frac{B-\Delta}{B+\Delta}e^{\Delta\tau} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{2K}{B+\Delta} (1 - e^{\Delta\tau})}{1 - \frac{B-\Delta}{B+\Delta}e^{\Delta\tau}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

Hence we have arrived at the expression in Proposition 2.1. □

In the next step, we integrate the right-hand side of (28) for  $t \in [0, \tau]$  to express  $C_j$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_j(\tau, \phi) &= ri\phi\tau + \theta \int_0^\tau D_j(t, \phi) dt \\
 &= ri\phi\tau + \theta \int_0^\tau \frac{Y_j (1 - e^{\Delta_j t})}{1 - g_j e^{\Delta_j t}} dt \\
 &= ri\phi\tau + \theta Y_j \left[ \tau + \int_0^\tau \frac{(g_j - 1)e^{\Delta_j t}}{1 - g_j e^{\Delta_j t}} dt \right] \\
 &= ri\phi\tau + \theta Y_j \tau - \theta Y_j \frac{g_j - 1}{\Delta_j g_j} \ln \left( \frac{1 - g_j e^{\Delta_j \tau}}{1 - g_j} \right) \\
 &= ri\phi\tau + \theta Y_j \tau - \frac{\theta}{A} \ln \left( \frac{1 - g_j e^{\Delta_j \tau}}{1 - g_j} \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

Characteristic functions  $f_j$ , under the original notation, take the following form

$$f_j(\tau, \phi) = \exp \{ C_j(\tau, \phi) + D_j(\tau, \phi)v_0 + i\phi \ln(S_t) + \psi(\phi)\tau \},$$

with

$$C_j(\tau, \phi) = r\phi i\tau + \theta Y_j \tau - \frac{2\theta}{\beta^2} \ln \left( \frac{1 - g_j e^{d_j \tau}}{1 - g_j} \right),$$

$$D_j(\tau, \phi) = Y_j \left( \frac{1 - e^{d_j \tau}}{1 - g_j e^{d_j \tau}} \right),$$

$$\psi = -\lambda_J i\phi \left( e^{\alpha_J + \gamma_J^2/2} - 1 \right) + \lambda_J \left( e^{i\phi\alpha_J - \phi^2\gamma_J^2/2} - 1 \right)$$

$$Y_j = \frac{b_j - \rho\beta\phi i + d_j}{\beta^2}$$

$$g_j = \frac{b_j - \rho\beta\phi i + d_j}{b_j - \rho\beta\phi i - d_j},$$

$$d_j = \sqrt{(\rho\beta\phi i - b_j)^2 - \beta^2(2u_j\phi i - \phi^2)},$$

$$\beta = \xi\varepsilon^{H-1/2} \sqrt{v_t}$$

$$u_1 = 1/2, \quad u_2 = -1/2, \quad \theta = \kappa\bar{v}, \quad b_1 = \kappa - (H - 1/2)\xi\varphi_0 - \rho\beta, \quad b_2 = \kappa - (H - 1/2)\xi\varphi_0.$$

To obtain the price of a European call, one numerically computes the integral in equation (19). The result thereof goes into the first part of the formula, expression (14). The main



**Table 1.** Price differences for various choices of the upper integration limit in integral (19) across various parameter sets<sup>a</sup>. Computation using upper limit  $u = 1000$  is considered as the reference price.

Upper integration limit	50	100	150	200	250	300
<b>ITM</b> Average absolute differences	$2.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.5 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.1 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$
<b>ITM</b> 99-percentile differences	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$
<b>ITM</b> Maximal absolute differences	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$
<b>ATM</b> Average absolute differences	$2.6 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.3 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.7 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-8}$
<b>ATM</b> 99-percentile differences	$1.9 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.9 \times 10^{-7}$
<b>ATM</b> Maximal absolute differences	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$
<b>OTM</b> Average absolute differences	$3.0 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.9 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.9 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-8}$
<b>OTM</b> 99-percentile differences	$2.5 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.6 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.3 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.4 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.5 \times 10^{-7}$
<b>OTM</b> Maximal absolute differences	$1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$

<sup>a</sup> 792000 distinct parameter sets for each trial. The first experiment deals with in-the-money call option (**ITM**, moneyness 90%), second with at-the-money call (**ATM**) and the final one is with respect to out-of-the-money call option (**OTM**, moneyness 110%).

advantage of this approach lies in its tractability. In fact, only the aforementioned Fourier integral has to be dealt with by numerical procedures. Moreover, its integrand is well behaved for a wide range of model parameters (see Table 1 and Figure 1).

For numerical evaluation, one also might set a finite upper integration limit  $u$  in the integral (or apply a suitable transformation). In case of the Heston model, it has been shown that when using the alternative option pricing formula as in Gatheral (2006), even a basic choice of the upper limit,  $u = 100$ , can be justified. For the presented long memory model, an illustration of the price sensitivity with respect to finite values of the integration bounds is provided by Figure 1 and by Table 1. In the latter, we display average, 99% quantile and maximal absolute differences between the reference price and convenient choices of the upper limits across various model parameter sets.

The choice of the upper integration limit plays a crucial role in the task of market calibration, especially when using heuristic optimization procedures. Since all values in the previous experiment provided a sufficient level of precision, we focus on computational efficiency when choosing integration bounds.

[Figure 1 about here.]

### 3. Market calibration

In this section we employ the previously derived formula to retrieve risk-neutral market parameters with respect to a given set of traded call options. This procedure is known as a market calibration. Another way of looking at the task can be obtained via mathematical programming. One tries to find a set of model parameters  $\Theta^*$  such that the criterion (40) is

minimized<sup>4</sup>.

$$G(\Theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i \left| C(S_0, K_i, T_i, r) - C^{model}(S_0, K_i, T_i, r, \Theta) \right|^p; \tag{40}$$

$$\Theta^* = \arg \inf_{\Theta \in A} G(\Theta), \tag{41}$$

for a market that consists of  $N$  traded call contracts. We set the value of  $p$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , and we choose appropriate weight sequence  $(w_i)_{i=1, \dots, N}$ . An intuitive setting,  $w_i = 1/N$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and  $p = 2$ , brings us to the classic least square minimization problem. Using distinct weights for each contract we can emphasize more liquid options over the less traded contracts. For the first empirical study we calibrate models using three choices of weights which are defined,

$$w_i^{(1)} = \frac{1}{|C_i^{(ask)} - C_i^{(bid)}|}, \tag{42}$$

$$w_i^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|C_i^{(ask)} - C_i^{(bid)}|}}, \tag{43}$$

$$w_i^{(3)} = \frac{1}{(C_i^{(ask)} - C_i^{(bid)})^2}, \tag{44}$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .  $C_i^{(bid)}$ ,  $C_i^{(ask)}$  stands for a bid price of the  $i^{th}$  market option and ask price respectively. Also we assume that the price-spread is strictly positive for all quoted contracts. The minimization is with respect to simple bounds which are introduced to ensure that all parameters stay in their domains (e.g. we consider  $H \in [0.5, 1)$ ).

**Table 2.** Parameter bounds for optimization problem.

	$\kappa$	$v_0$	$\bar{v}$	$\xi$	$\rho$	$\lambda_J$	$\alpha_J$	$\gamma_J$	$H$
lower bound	0	0	0	0	-1	0	-10	0	0.5
upper bound	50	1	1	4	1	100	5	4	0.9999

As several authors pointed out [e.g. Mikhailov and Nögel (2003)], the minimization problem (41) is typically non-convex and without a very good initial guess it might be hard to solve using local optimization techniques only. Hence, for the task of model comparison we utilize global procedures, a genetic algorithm (GA) and simulated annealing (SA), as well as a local approach (trust-region method, LSQ).

Results obtained by a global heuristic optimizer may vary significantly depending on how the routine is set. Most important criteria with respect to the global optimization are of two types: evolution and stopping rules. For both genetic algorithm and simulated annealing we altered stopping rule defaults used in the Matlab's Global Optimization Toolbox. First and foremost, we did not want the solver to stop prematurely - algorithms should terminate on a Function tolerance criterion, i.e. if the value of utility function (40) declines over the successive iteration by less than a given tolerance ( $1e-8$ ). For comparison purposes, we also employed the same settings for both less complex Heston model and LSV approach. The complete evolution and stopping rules used in the upcoming experiments are listed in Table 3.

<sup>4</sup>In case of the presented approach  $\Theta^*$  takes form:  $\Theta^* := \{\kappa^*, v_0^*, \bar{v}^*, \xi^*, \rho^*, \lambda_J^*, \alpha_J^*, \gamma_J^*, H^*\}$

**Table 3.** Optimizer settings for market calibration.

GA criterion	Value	SA criterion	Value
<i>Evolution rules</i>			
Population size	60	Annealing fun.	Uniform direction, temp. step-length
Elite count	20%	Initial temperature	100
Selection distribution	Uniform	Temperature fun.	Exponential
Mutation distribution	Gaussian	Reannealing interval	100
Crossover fun.	Random binary scatter	Acceptance fun.	Exp. decay <sup>a</sup>
<i>Stopping rules</i>			
No of generations	500	Maximum iterations	-
Time limit	-	Time limit	-
Fitness limit	-	Fitness limit	-
Stall generations	60	Maximum fun. evaluations	100000
Fun. tolerance	1e-8	Fun. tolerance	1e-8
Constraint tolerance	1e-6		
Stall time limit	-		
Stall test	average change		

<sup>a</sup> Exponentially decaying acceptance function (**acceptancesa**) is defined in Matlab documentation, see also [www.mathworks.com/help/gads/simulated-annealing-options.html](http://www.mathworks.com/help/gads/simulated-annealing-options.html).

### Error measures

In order to compare the presented long memory volatility approach with the Heston model, we evaluate these market fit criteria,

$$AAE(\Theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |C_i - C_i^{model}(\Theta)|; \quad (45)$$

$$AARE(\Theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|C_i - C_i^{model}(\Theta)|}{C_i}; \quad (46)$$

$$MAE(\Theta) = \max_{i=1,2,\dots,N} |C_i - C_i^{model}(\Theta)|. \quad (47)$$

Due to varying price levels, the most interesting error measure is represented by  $AARE(\Theta)$  which reflects the average absolute values of relative errors.  $ARE(\Theta)$ , on the other hand, represents the average absolute errors. We also might want to fit the calibrated surface with a pre-set error bound. The minimal bound that will suffice for each calibration trial is denoted by the maximal absolute error measure,  $MAE(\Theta)$ .

### Empirical study - FTSE 100 vanilla call market

The main data set was obtained on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2014 and consists of 82 traded call options. The underlying is FTSE 100 index, quoted at 6,721.80 points. The considered prices range from £17.5 to £514.5 and the data sample includes both in-the-money (ITM), at-the-money (ATM) and out-of-the-money (OTM) calls<sup>5</sup>.

Using combined optimization approaches, that firstly utilize global (heuristic) methods and then the solution is improved by a local search method, we were able to retrieve superior

<sup>5</sup>Data set obtained from OMON Screen, Bloomberg L.P. 2014.

results for both models. For these routines the long memory stochastic volatility model achieved a better market fit compared to the Heston model. The lowest value of the absolute relative error was obtained for the LSV model using a genetic algorithm combined with a trust region method alongside weights  $w^{(3)}$ . However, the results for weights  $w^{(1)}$ ,  $w^{(2)}$  and also for a combined simulated annealing (SA + LSQ) are almost indifferent with respect to the selected error measures.

Option premia surface, created by the Heston model with calibrated parameters, is not consistent with market prices especially for OTM calls. This is partly because of the pre-set weights and partly it might be caused by a low degree of freedom of the model.

When calibrating the LSV model by using combined approaches, we retrieved values of the Hurst parameter  $H \in [0.5935, 0.6654]$ . This result is in line with several statistical studies on long memory estimation for realized volatility time-series [e.g. Breidt *et al.* (1998)] and implied values are only slightly lower than their time-series estimates [Sobotka (2014), FTSE 100 realized volatilities, 2004-2014]. All calibration errors are displayed in Table 4 and the corresponding price surfaces are depicted in Figure 2 for a combined Genetic Algorithm and in Figure 3 for a combined Simulated Annealing method respectively. We also illustrate errors retrieved only by heuristic optimization methods in Figure 4. Unlike previous calibration trials, the quality of market fit for the latter calibration is far from perfect.

**Table 4.** Calibration errors for weights  $w^{(1)}$ ,  $w^{(2)}$  and  $w^{(3)}$ .

Weights	Model	Error measure	GA	GA + LSQ	SA	SA + LSQ
$w^{(1)}$	<b>LSV model</b>	AARE [%]	4.29	2.34	3.79	2.34
		AAE [£]	7.33	3.27	5.52	3.27
		MAE [£]	49.34	17.13	24.17	17.13
	<b>Heston model</b>	AARE [%]	3.72	3.36	3.67	4.43
		AAE [£]	6.54	5.85	7.83	6.22
		MAE [£]	30.65	30.69	32.25	29.30
$w^{(2)}$	<b>LSV model</b>	AARE [%]	4.61	2.34	3.01	2.34
		AAE [£]	7.57	3.27	5.04	3.27
		MAE [£]	35.74	17.13	25.84	17.13
	<b>Heston model</b>	AARE [%]	3.10	3.35	3.78	3.52
		AAE [£]	6.05	5.85	6.68	5.90
		MAE [£]	30.84	30.69	31.09	30.68
$w^{(3)}$	<b>LSV model</b>	AARE [%]	5.95	2.33	4.33	2.34
		AAE [£]	12.34	3.27	9.02	3.27
		MAE [£]	81.79	17.14	45.71	17.13
	<b>Heston model</b>	AARE [%]	5.56	5.07	6.59	4.15
		AAE [£]	7.16	6.42	9.89	8.20
		MAE [£]	31.07	30.83	32.49	32.30

[Figure 2 about here.]

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**Empirical study - stability of parameters in time - AAPL call options**

We also compared the models on Apple Inc. European call options traded on NYSE MKT LLC. This time, however, we considered 21 data sets, i.e. close quotes from Apple Inc. option market for all trading days in April 2015. Each data set included at least 113 options (at most 212) and as in our previous experiment we considered ITM, ATM and OTM contracts with moneyness ranging from 64.18% to 250.30% (at 30<sup>th</sup> April)<sup>6</sup>.

Following results from previous study, we calibrated models using only GA + LSQ optimizers alongside weights  $w^{(3)}$ . As a main measure for model comparison we considered weighted square errors. Namely, we compared both approaches with respect to the value of utility function  $G(\Theta^*)$  (40) where  $\Theta^*$  denotes the calibrated parameter set for a specific model<sup>7</sup>. Unlike in previous experiment, some data sets contained options with very low prices where both models were prone to big relative errors. Therefore we utilized the weighted error measure rather than AARE. However, one should not compare values of  $G(\Theta^*)$  across different trading days - the total number of options might vary for each data set. To measure stability of the calibrated parameters over time we employed two criteria - average absolute difference and standard deviation of parameter values.

Obtained values  $G(\Theta^*)$  ranged from 223.85 to 1711.37 and 346.61 to 1718.20 for LSV and Heston model respectively. For 20 out of 21 data sets Heston model was outperformed with respect to the weighted criteria - only on 29<sup>th</sup> April we did not obtained a superior fit by LSV approach with our settings (479.51 vs 528.85, parameters in Table 5). The lowest average absolute error (2.78%) was retrieved by LSV model on a data set from 4<sup>th</sup> April (Heston AARE - 3.37%, parameters in Table 5) and conversely the worst value thereof was reached by Heston model on 20<sup>th</sup> April (5.77%). All results are conveniently listed in Table 6.

Average absolute differences alongside standard deviations of calibrated parameters are shown in Table 7. In our experiment we managed to get similar values of the aforementioned measures for both models with respect to diffusion parameters. Evolution of  $v_0$  and  $\bar{v}$  over time is depicted by Figure 5. Calibration of LSV jump parameters, especially  $\alpha_J$  and  $\gamma_J$ , provided us with more varying values compared to both diffusion parameters and the Hurst exponent. This might be due to the calibration procedure (global heuristic GA) and due to the fact that one can retrieve similar skew of the volatility smile for different combinations of jump parameters. This shortfall can be partially improved by incorporating penalizing term in the utility function  $G(\Theta)$  or by using local-search algorithm only (e.g. with initial guess from previous day calibration).

[Figure 5 about here.]

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<sup>6</sup>Other data sets possessed slightly narrower moneyness range.

<sup>7</sup>In fact,  $G(\Theta^*)$  represents weighted least squares of the market fit.

**Table 5.** Calibrated parameters for two trading days.

Date	$\kappa$	$v_0$	$\bar{v}$	LSV model					$H$
				$\xi$	$\rho$	$\lambda_J$	$\alpha_J$	$\gamma_J$	
04-10-2015	42.5642	0.1804	0.0598	3.8964	-0.1343	0.0088	0.2545	0.1922	0.5130
04-29-2015	17.3866	0.0496	0.0611	4.0000	0.0111	0.0058	-1.0000	4.0000	0.5000

Date	$\kappa$	$v_0$	$\bar{v}$	Heston model	
				$\xi$	$\rho$
04-10-2015	49.9995	0.1829	0.0632	2.3976	-0.0602
04-29-2015	20.8354	0.0569	0.0688	2.5694	-0.1425

**Table 6.** Calibration errors for weights  $w^{(3)}$ , Apple Inc. stock options.

Date	LSV model				Heston model			
	$G(\Theta^*)$	AARE [%]	AAE [£]	MAE [£]	$G(\Theta^*)$	AARE [%]	AAE [£]	MAE [£]
04-01-2015	<b>223.85</b>	4.16	0.32	1.42	346.61	5.49	0.34	1.50
04-02-2015	<b>954.71</b>	5.49	0.28	2.19	1368.39	4.58	0.26	1.77
04-06-2015	<b>441.27</b>	3.01	0.31	2.56	546.32	4.05	0.31	2.15
04-07-2015	<b>501.13</b>	3.42	0.31	1.28	665.78	4.33	0.35	1.81
04-08-2015	<b>285.26</b>	3.77	0.24	1.26	355.21	4.42	0.26	1.30
04-09-2015	<b>697.95</b>	3.67	0.37	1.58	715.79	4.07	0.37	1.55
04-10-2015	<b>313.85</b>	2.78	0.24	1.97	421.97	3.37	0.23	1.52
04-13-2015	<b>588.05</b>	3.15	0.24	1.25	704.98	3.31	0.26	1.27
04-14-2015	<b>329.33</b>	3.70	0.19	1.06	423.08	3.91	0.22	1.05
04-15-2015	<b>408.80</b>	3.44	0.27	1.72	542.65	3.80	0.25	1.29
04-16-2015	<b>363.29</b>	3.83	0.22	1.25	464.46	4.20	0.23	1.35
04-17-2015	<b>453.36</b>	3.06	0.20	1.14	544.60	3.20	0.21	1.08
04-20-2015	<b>844.47</b>	5.40	0.25	1.97	931.10	5.77	0.27	1.62
04-21-2015	<b>686.47</b>	5.46	0.22	1.80	856.57	4.32	0.25	1.50
04-22-2015	<b>1711.37</b>	5.03	0.42	3.15	1718.20	5.13	0.38	2.12
04-23-2015	<b>693.37</b>	3.97	0.24	1.22	700.66	3.83	0.22	1.15
04-24-2015	<b>998.50</b>	3.19	0.23	1.56	1062.61	3.21	0.22	1.37
04-27-2015	<b>306.37</b>	3.32	0.30	2.07	484.13	2.96	0.28	1.43
04-28-2015	<b>1043.10</b>	4.25	0.34	3.15	1093.86	3.76	0.35	3.60
04-29-2015	528.85	5.25	0.29	2.27	<b>479.51</b>	3.91	0.29	2.63
04-30-2015	<b>517.68</b>	3.92	0.20	1.33	527.31	3.88	0.20	1.28

**Table 7.** Stability of calibrated parameters.

Model	Measure	$\kappa$	$v_0$	$\bar{v}$	$\xi$	$\rho$	$\lambda_J$	$\alpha_J$	$\gamma_J$	$H$
<b>LSV</b>	average abs. difference	5.671	0.024	0.003	0.963	0.232	0.006	1.017	1.434	0.0596
	standard deviation	11.110	0.049	0.003	0.976	0.294	0.006	1.331	1.459	0.084
<b>Heston</b>	average abs. difference	8.744	0.0344	0.003	0.921	0.142				
	standard deviation	10.702	0.052	0.003	0.957	0.188				

#### 4. Summary

In the first part of the article, an alternative formula for pricing European options under a long memory stochastic volatility model was derived. The formula is in a semi-closed form - one has to numerically evaluate a Fourier transform integral (19). For most of the observed market parameters, truncation of the upper integral bound alongside an appropriate

numerical procedure leads to satisfactory results both in terms of precision (see Figure 1 and Table 1) and computational efficiency<sup>8</sup>.

In practice, one is typically interested in a real-data performance of a particular model. To illustrate the quality of market fit we introduced two empirical studies, both of them included a comparison with a popular approach, the Heston model. In the first study we utilized traded European call options on FTSE 100 index. Also four different optimization routines and three sets of calibration weights were applied. Heuristic algorithms provided a solution that was suboptimal but (especially in case of GA) the solution represented a good initial guess for a local-search method. Since the optimization problem is non-convex, local routines, as the trust region or Levenberg - Marquardt method, need to be initialized in the vicinity of a (global) minimum.

The second study involved 21 data sets, i.e. Apple Inc. call options for all trading days in April 2015. This time we applied GA algorithm and refined the solution by LSQ. On 20 days LSV approach outperformed Heston model having superior (weighted) residual sum of squares as highlighted in Table 6. The inferior result on the data set from 29<sup>th</sup> April (parameters in Table 5) were obtained after GA procedure provided initial guess that for three parameters reached parameter bounds. The solution can be improved by providing better initial guess (preferably not very close to parameter bounds) or by increasing bounds. We increased an upper bound for  $\xi$  to 10 for both models<sup>9</sup>, Heston solution for 29<sup>th</sup> April remained the same, unlike under LSV where parameters changed to:

$\kappa$	$v_0$	$\bar{v}$	$\xi$	$\rho$	$\lambda_J$	$\alpha_J$	$\gamma_J$	$H$
18.3005	0.0544	0.0649	8.3030	-0.0753	0.0046	-1.0010	0.1477	0.5000

which provided  $G(\Theta) = 473.61$  and 4.15% AARE.

We managed to calibrate the long memory stochastic volatility model using combined optimization approaches mostly with better error measures compared to the Heston model. This result was expected, since the proposed model utilize more parameters and thus has more degrees of freedom to fit the market. However, this might not be the case of all stochastic volatility models as was shown by Duffie *et al.* (2000). The authors compare market fits of diffusion models with jumps in the underlying only to results obtained by models with jumps both in the underlying and volatility process. Although the latter approaches typically include more parameters, it is harder to fit an observed option price surface using these models.

The proposed long memory stochastic volatility model might provide better market fit compared to Heston model, however an increased complexity of the calibration problem is the price one has to pay. To improve this issue one might derive a pricing formula using the complex Fourier transform as suggested by Lewis (2000) for Heston model. Since calibrated parameters do change over time, one might also be interested in a time-dependent version of the LSV approach, either with piece-wise constant (Mikhailov and Nögel, 2003) or functional parameters (Osajima, 2007).

<sup>8</sup>One can calibrate the model using heuristic algorithms that evaluate model prices very frequently.

<sup>9</sup>Under Heston model  $\xi$  represents volatility of volatility and thus one would intuitively expect that the increased upper bound would not affect the solution. Under the LSV approach, however, vol. of vol. takes the following form,  $\xi e^{H-1/2}$  and thus  $\xi$  might take greater values.

Another important aspect, which is out of scope of this paper, would be a comparison of the empirical and model distribution for the underlying. We commented on realized volatility time-series estimates of  $H$  which are only slightly greater than implied values obtained by calibration of the LSV approach (w.r.t. FTSE 100 index).

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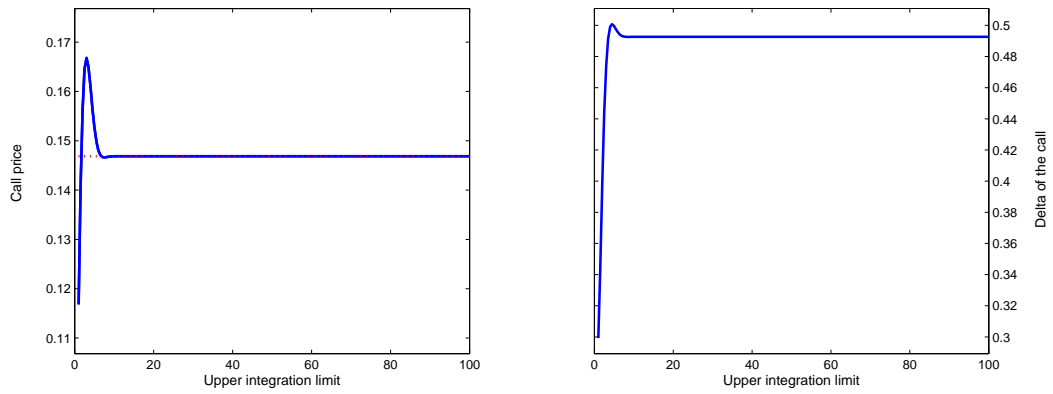
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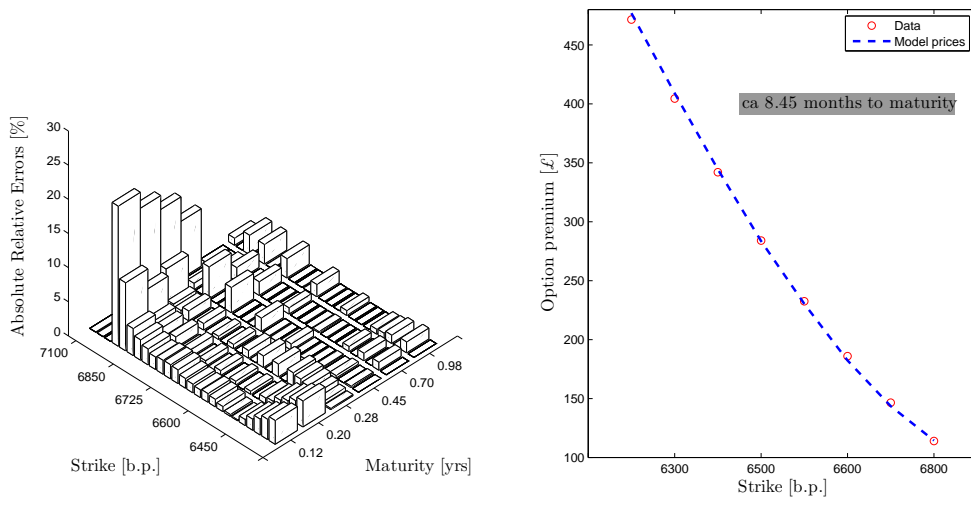
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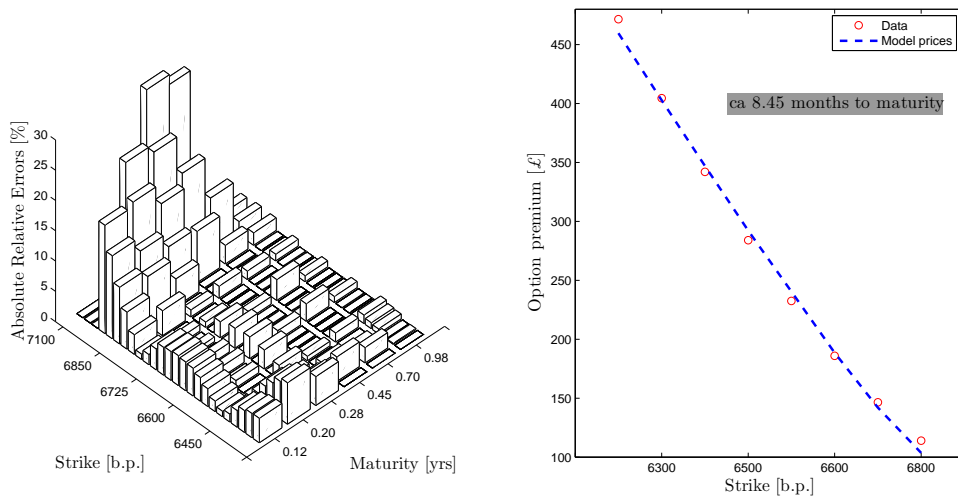
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**Figure 1.** Numerical prices of a European call option and values of option *delta* using (19) with finite upper integration limits. Values correspond to the parameters of the contract:  $S_0 = 1$ ,  $K = 0.9$ ,  $T = 1$ ,  $r = 0.009$ , model parameters  $\kappa = 2$ ,  $v_0 = 0.15$ ,  $\bar{v} = 0.15$ ,  $\xi = 0.5$ ,  $\rho = -0.7$ ,  $\lambda_J = 1$ ,  $\alpha_J = -0.5$ ,  $\gamma_J = 1$ ,  $H = 0.7$ . The computation is performed with approximating factor  $\varepsilon = 10^{-5}$ .



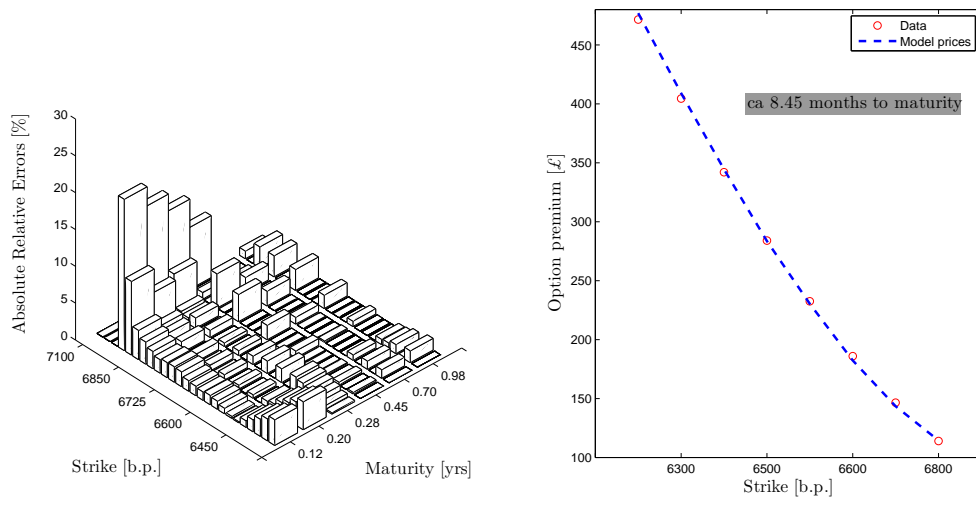
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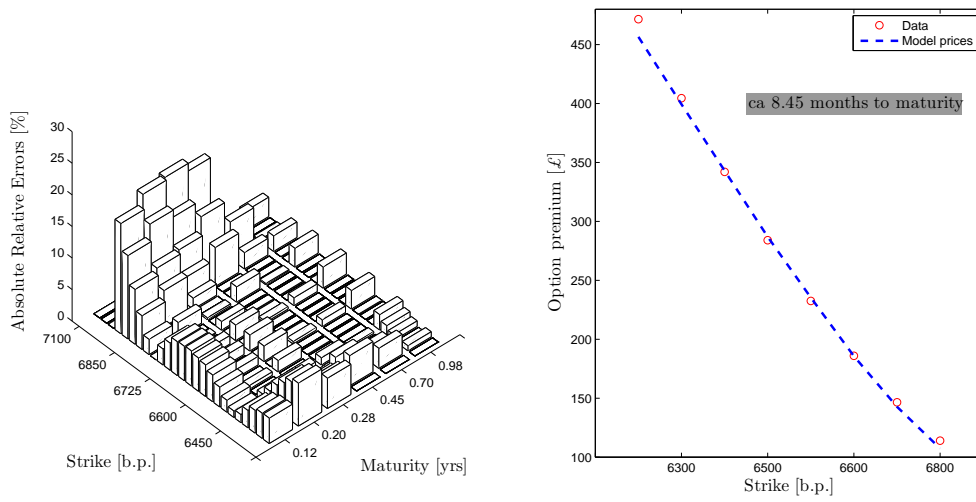
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**Figure 2.** Calibration from FTSE 100 call option market using Genetic Algorithm combined with a local search method. Displayed average relative errors were obtained for weights  $w_i^{(3)}$ .

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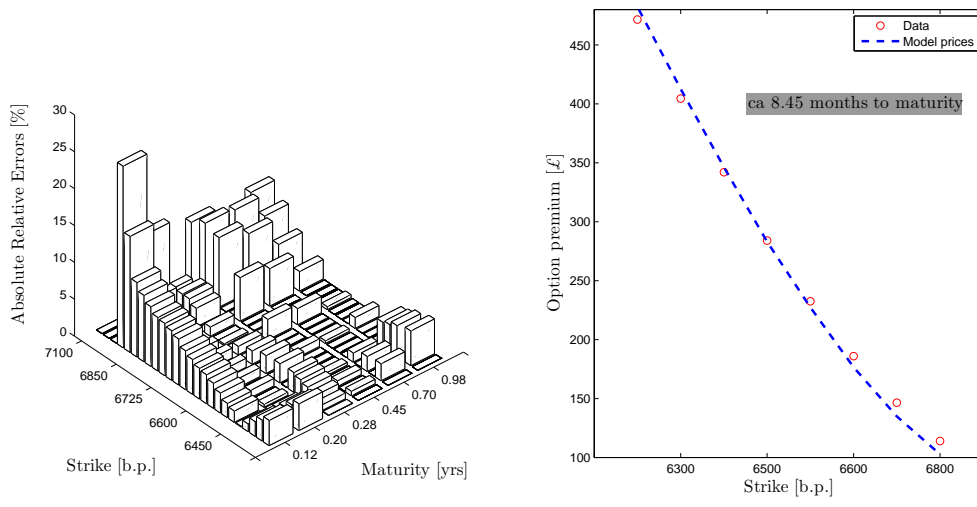


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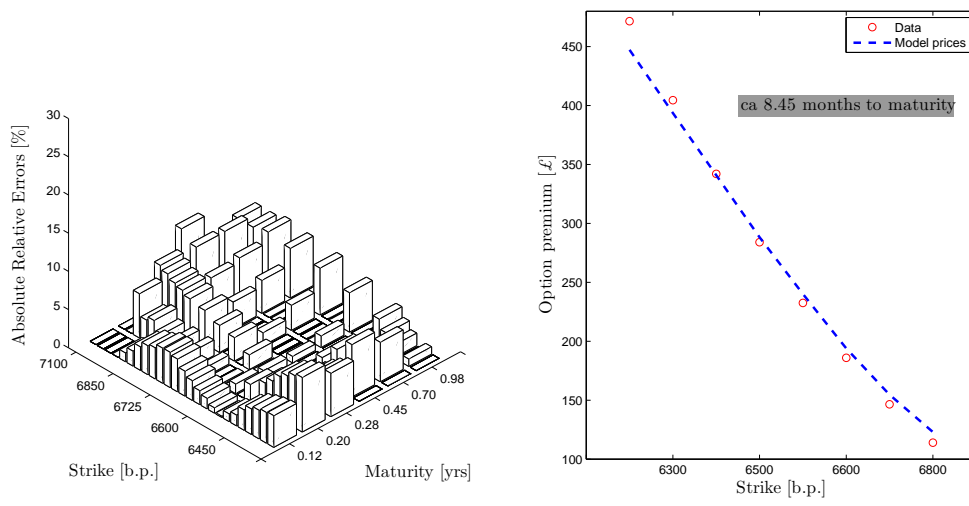


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**Figure 3.** Calibration from FTSE 100 call option market using Simulated Annealing combined with a local search method. Displayed average relative errors were obtained for weights  $w_i^{(1)}$ .



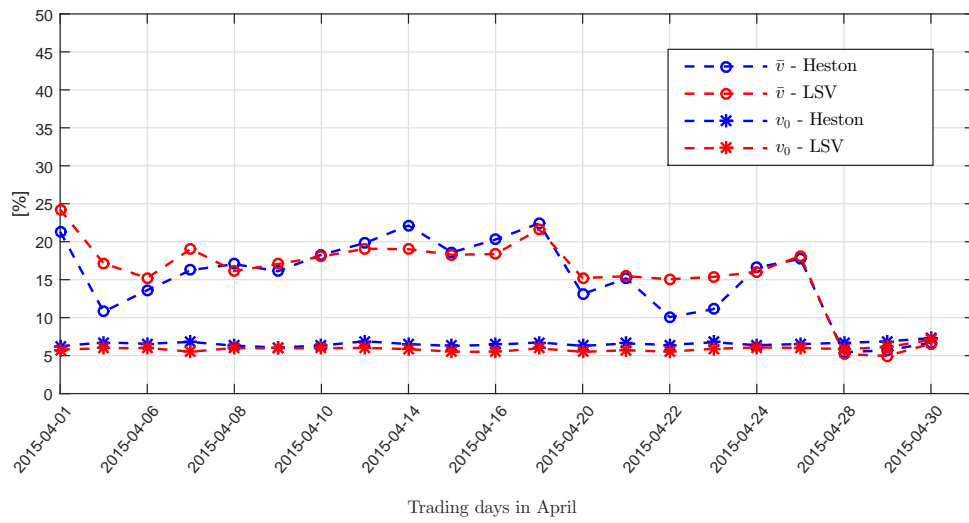
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**Figure 4.** Calibration from FTSE 100 call option market using Simulated Annealing. Displayed average relative errors were obtained for weights  $w_i^{(2)}$ .

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**Figure 5.** Evolution of calibrated parameters  $v_0$ ,  $\bar{v}$  for both models.