

The impact of stochastic volatility on IM and MVA in a post LIBOR world

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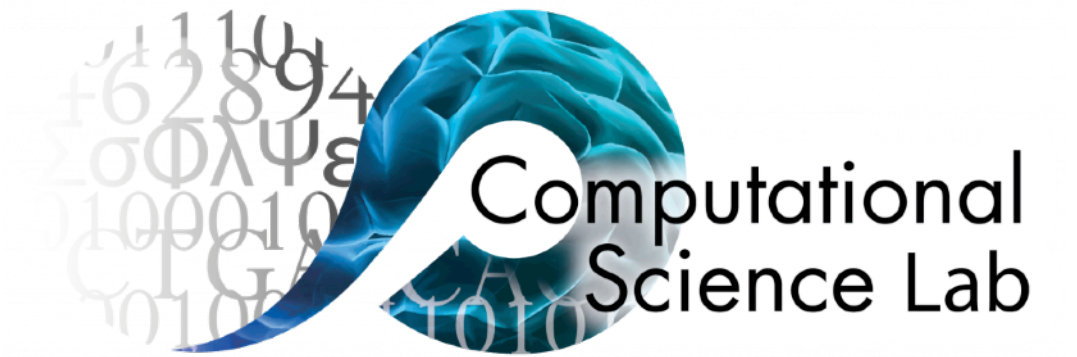
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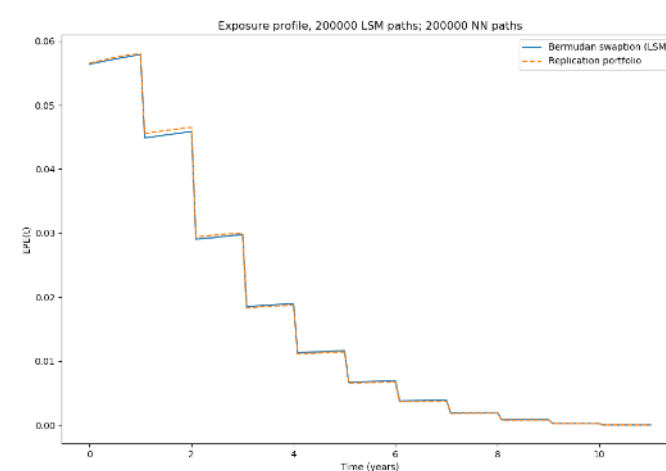
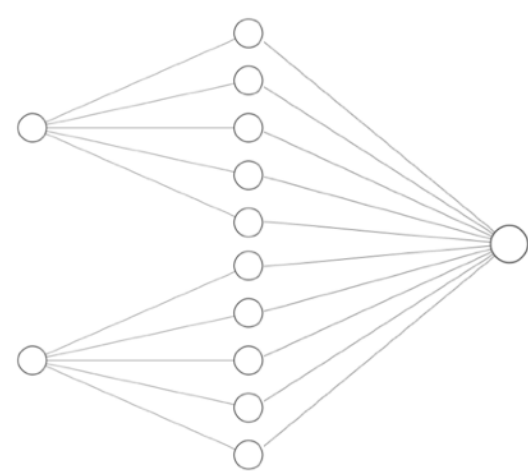
PhD project



Numerical methods

1. Semi-static replication for IR derivatives

- Decomposing callable IR derivatives into a portfolio of vanilla IR options.
- *Article under review*



2. Fully static replication for forward sensitivity computation

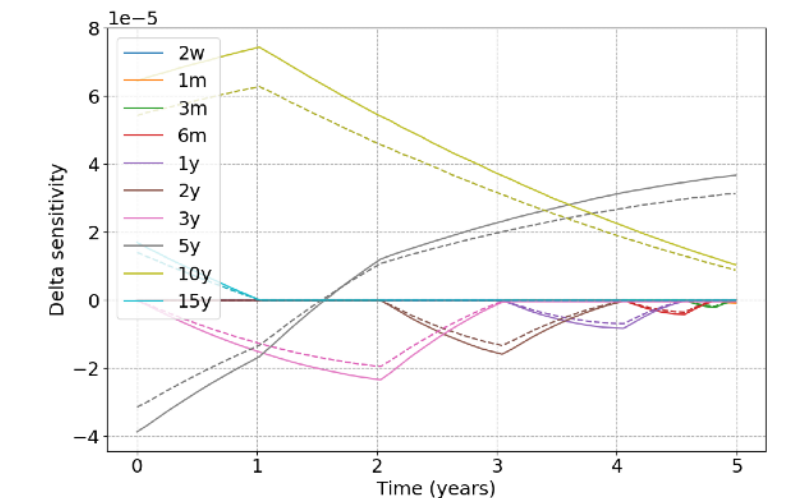
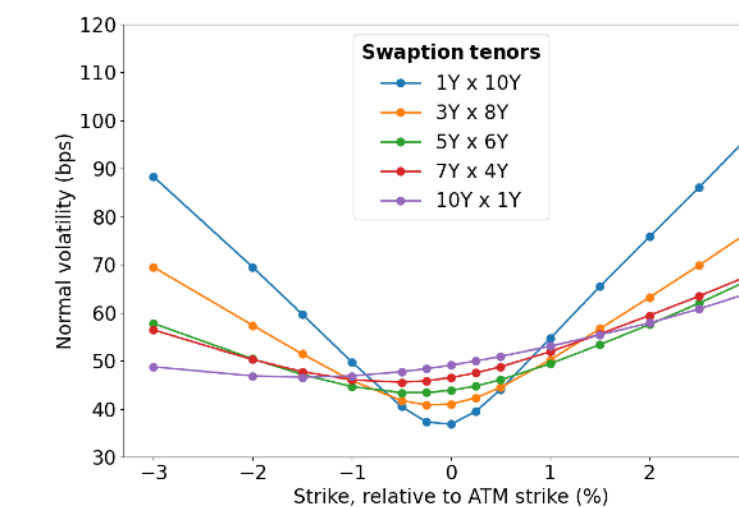
- Efficient prices and sensitivities along the MC path.
- Application to CVA, IM and MVA
- *Article in progress*

A modern approach to interest rate risk management

Model risk

Impact of volatility skew modelling on MVA

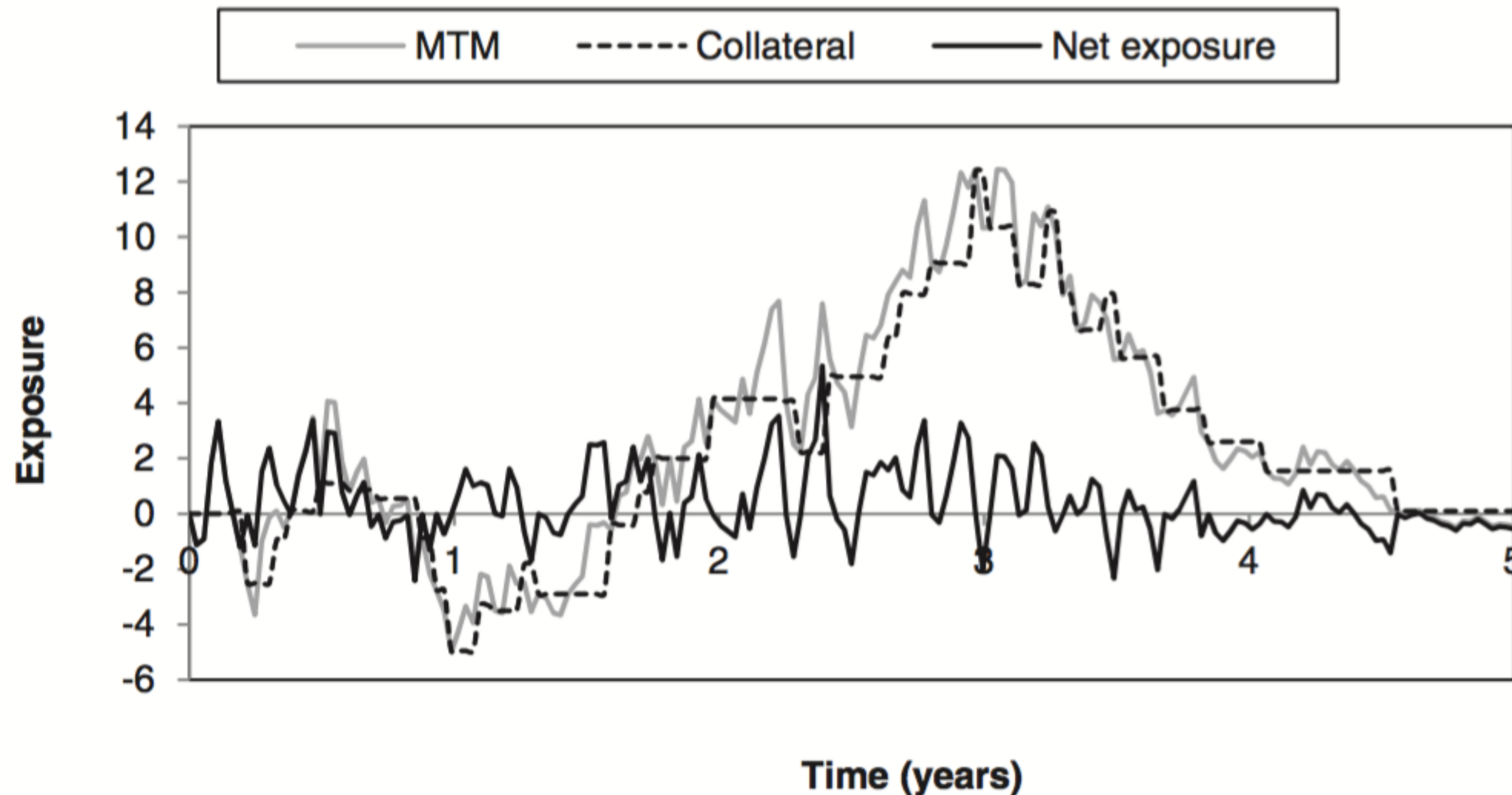
- Closed-form estimates of prices and sensitivities along the MC path for vanilla IR products.
- Impact analysis on real market data.



J. H. Hoencamp, J. P. de Kort & B. D. Kandhai (2022)
The Impact of Stochastic Volatility on Initial Margin and MVA for Interest Rate Derivatives,
Applied Mathematical Finance, 29:2, 141-179,
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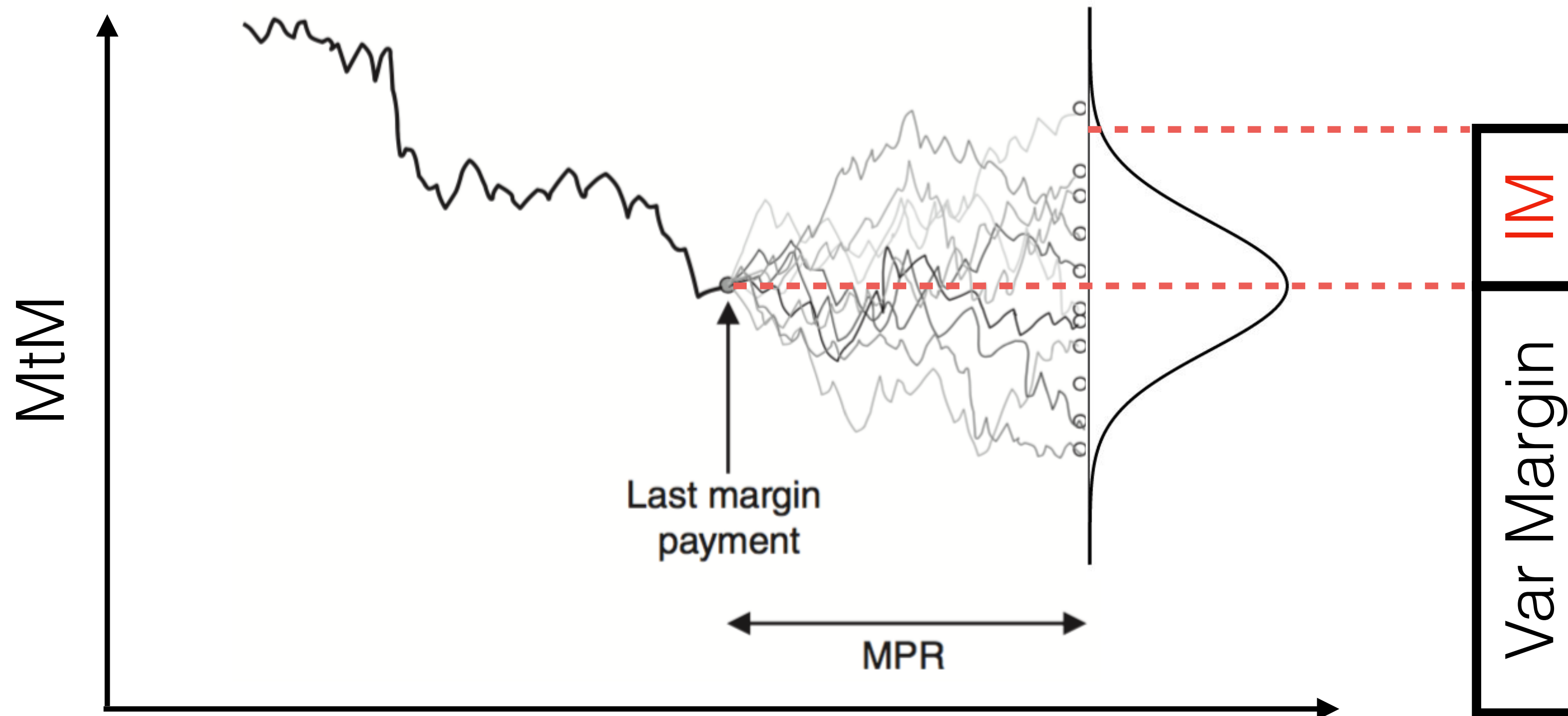
Collateral: Variation Margin

- Reduces exposure (EPE) and thus risk charges (CVA).
- Reflects the MtM of the trade.



Collateral: Initial Margin

- Cover against market changes after default, when outstanding positions are not yet settled, but variation margin (collateral) is no longer updated
- Reflects the 99% VaR on a 10-day time window



SIMM: standard initial margin model

- $IM(t) = \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \text{Margin}_g(t), \quad \mathcal{G} = \{ \text{Delta, Vega, Curvature} \}$
- $\text{Margin}_g(t) = \text{VaR}_{99\%}^{10d}(t) \approx \Phi^{-1}(99\%) \times \text{std}_{10d}(V_t)$
- $\text{std}_{10d}(V_t) \approx \sqrt{(\partial \mathbf{V})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \partial \mathbf{V}}$
 - ▶ $\partial \mathbf{V}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial \theta_1(t)} & \dots & \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial \theta_k(t)} \end{bmatrix}$
 - ▶ $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$: covariance matrix of underlying risk-factors $\{ \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k \}$

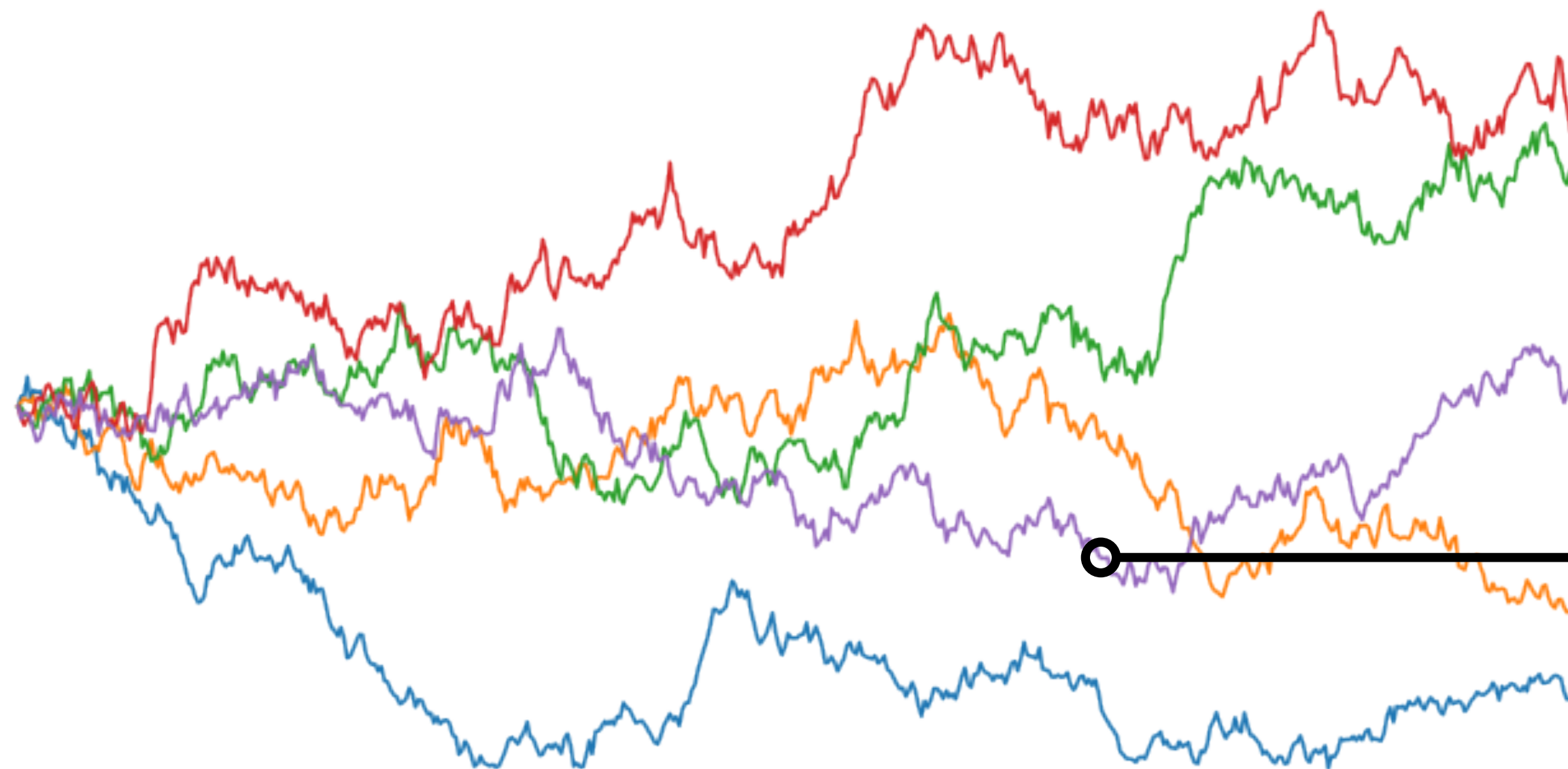
MVA: margin valuation adjustment

- MVA is the expected lifetime cost of posting IM.

$$MVA \approx \sum_{i=1}^N FS(t_i) \times EIM(t_i) \times \Delta t_i$$

$$EIM(t) = \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}} [D(0,t)IM(t)]$$

Risk factor

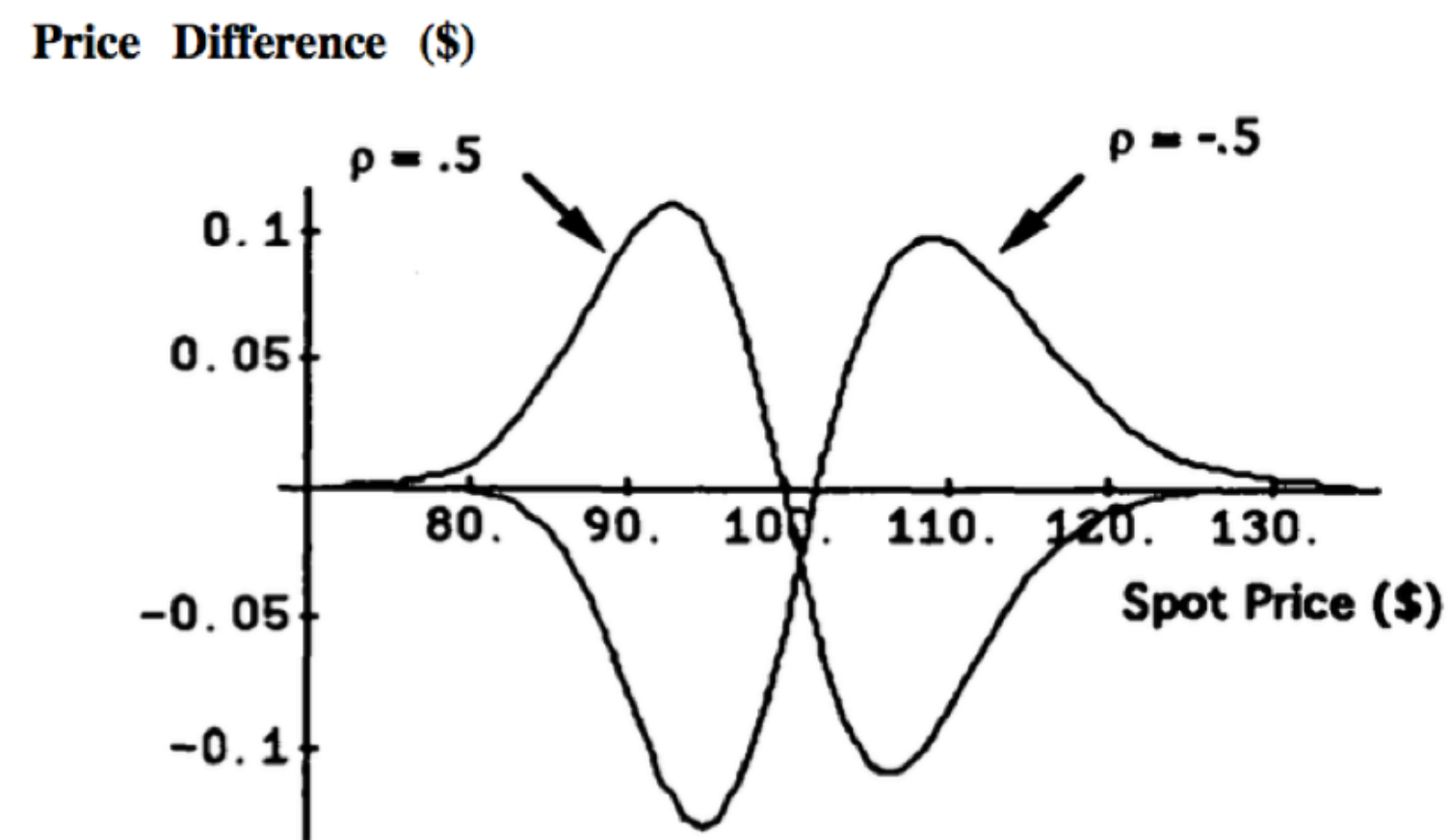


$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial R_t} \\ \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial \sigma_t} \end{cases}$$

Research question 1

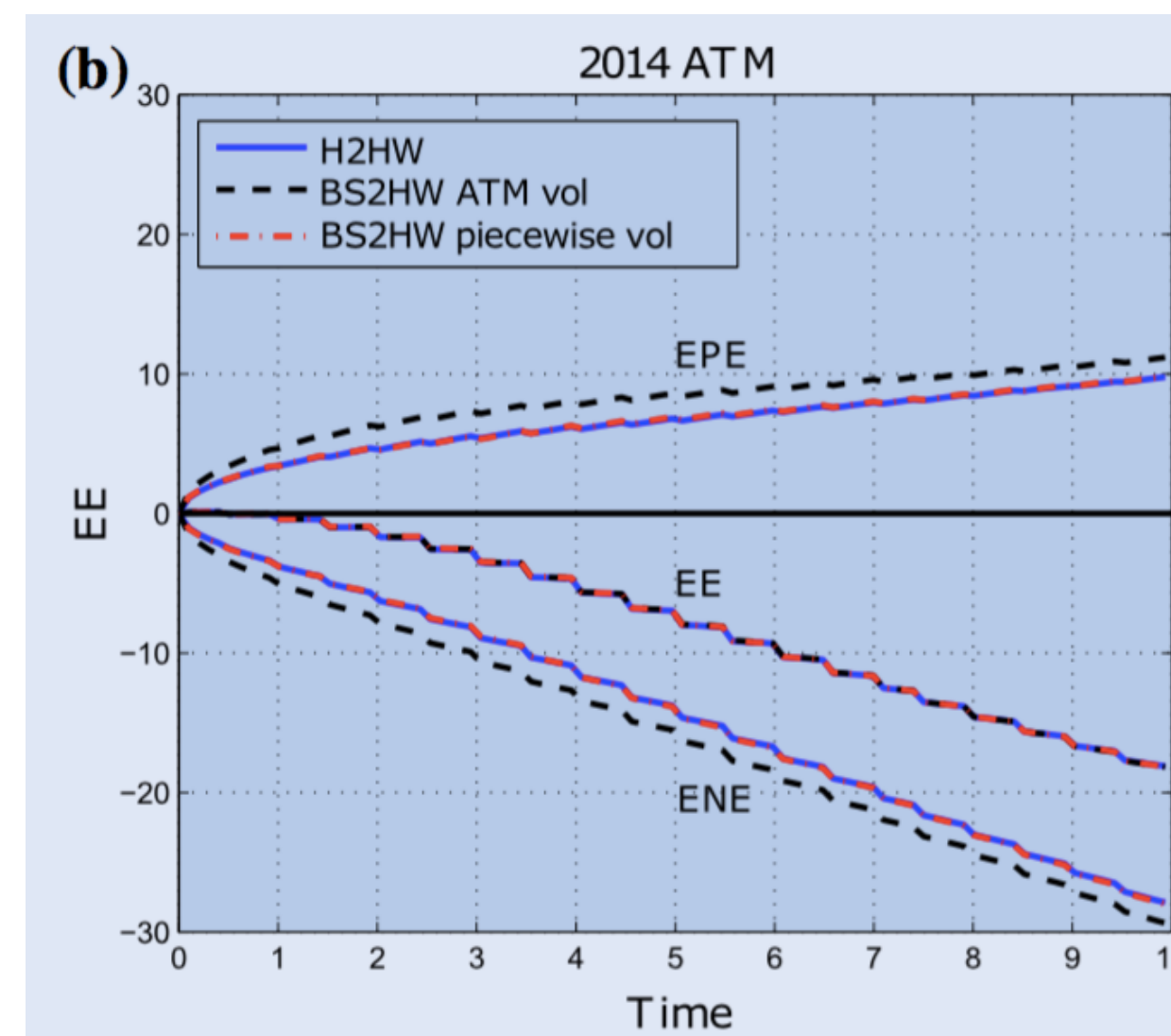
- How does stochastic volatility impact the computation and volume of IM and MVA?

Option prices:



Source: S. L. Heston, *A closed-form solution for options with stochastic volatility with applications to bond and currency options*, *The review of financial studies*, 1993

Exposure profiles:



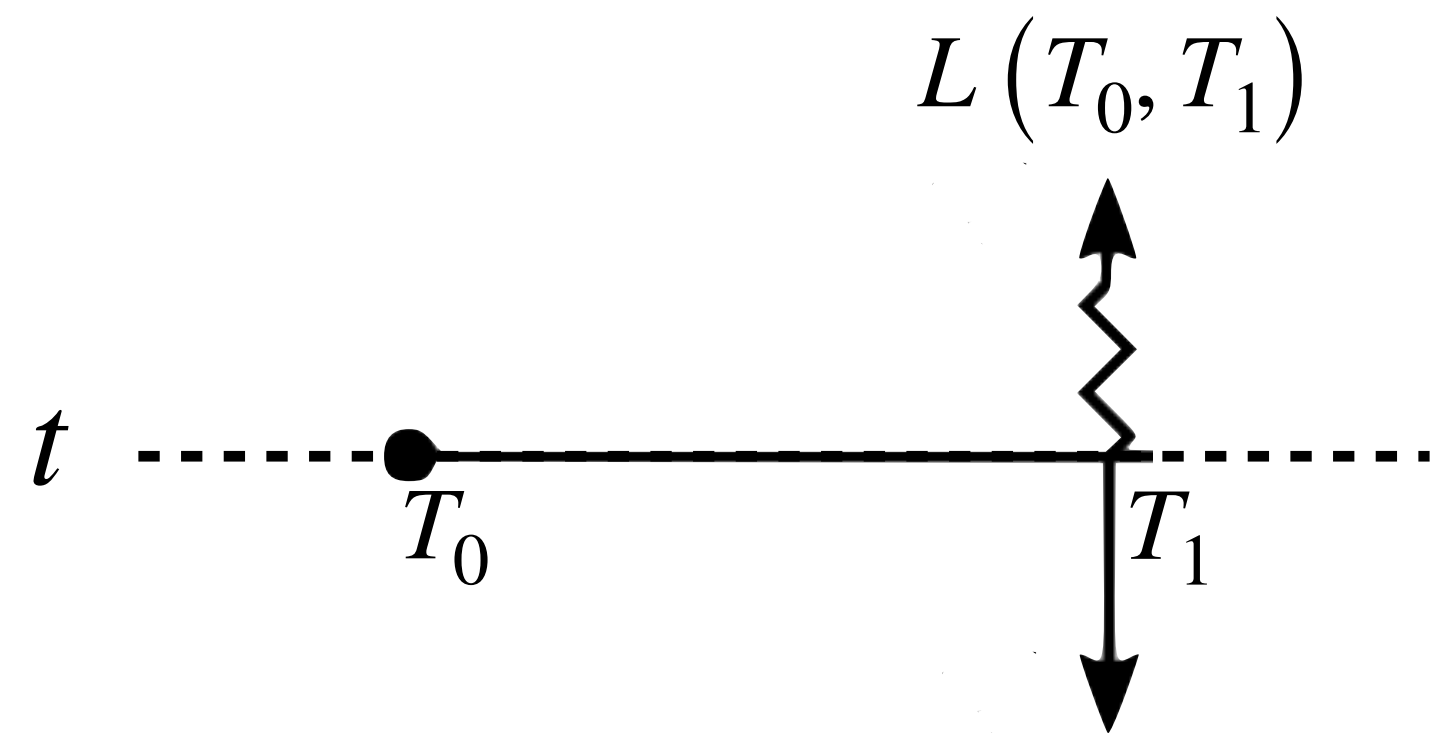
Source: S. Simaitis, C. de Graaf, N. Hari, and D. Kandhai, *Smile and default: the role of stochastic volatility and interest rates in counterparty credit risk*, *Quantitative Finance*, 2016

IM and MVA?

Research question 2

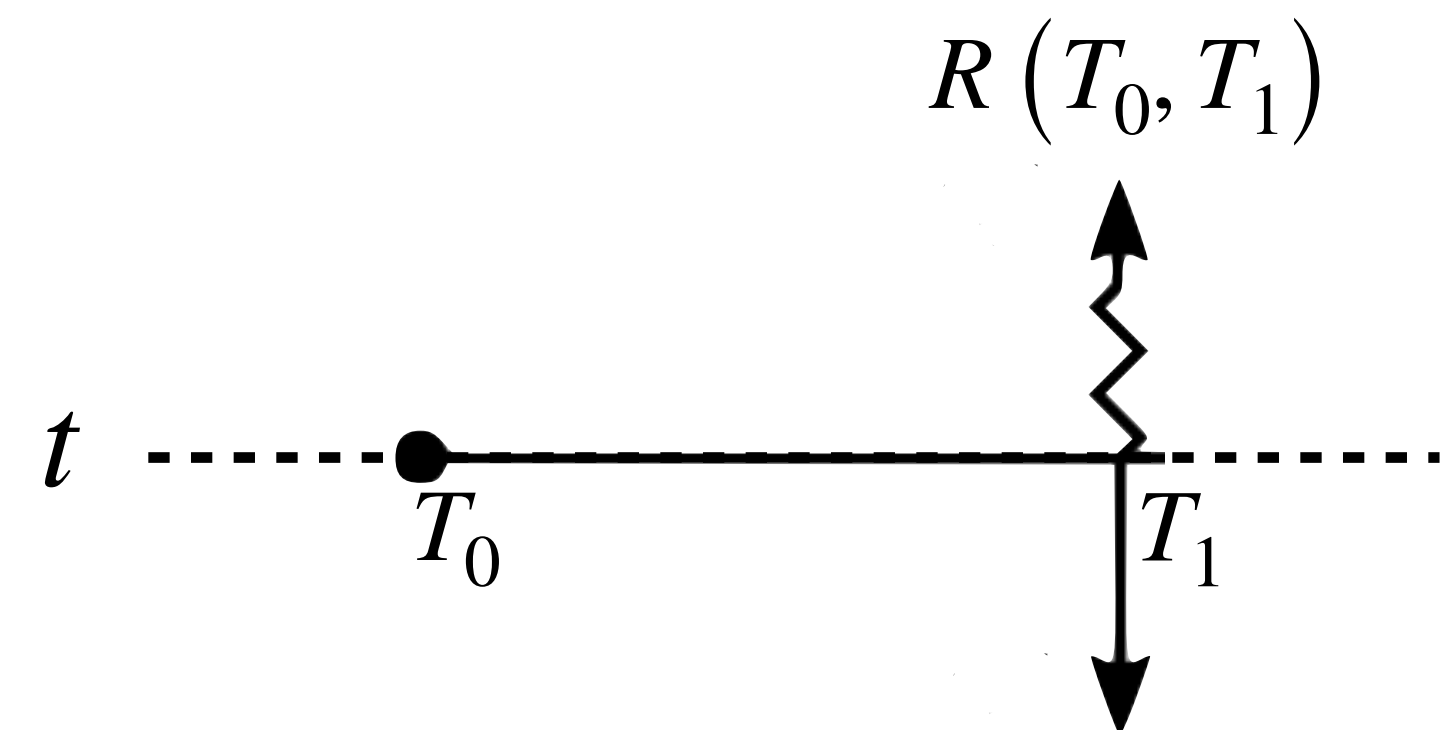
- What is the impact of incorporating the new risk-free rate (RFR) benchmark?

Forward-looking term rate



$$L(T_0, T_1) := \frac{1}{T_1 - T_0} \left(\frac{1}{P(T_0, T_1)} - 1 \right)$$

Backward-looking term rate



$$R(T_0, T_1) := \frac{1}{T_1 - T_0} \left(\frac{1}{e^{\int_{T_0}^{T_1} r(u) du}} - 1 \right)$$

Basic set-up

- We consider a continuous-time financial market.
- We consider an instantaneous risk-free rate r_t , which is used for discounting *and* indexing IR derivatives.
- We consider a money-market account associated to r_t , which compounds continuous interest, $M_t := e^{\int_0^t r_u du}$.
- We assume there exists a risk-neutral measure \mathbb{Q} associated to the numeraire M_t .

Model framework

- Cheyette model, within HJM class, with stochastic volatility:

$$r_t := f(t, t) = x_t + f(0, t)$$

$$dx_t = (\phi_t - ax_t) dt + \sqrt{v_t} dW_t \quad x_0 = 0$$

$$d\phi_t = (v_t - 2a\phi_t) dt \quad \phi_0 = 0$$

$$dv_t = \kappa (\bar{v} - v_t) dt + \varepsilon \sqrt{v_t} dZ_t \quad v_0 = v$$

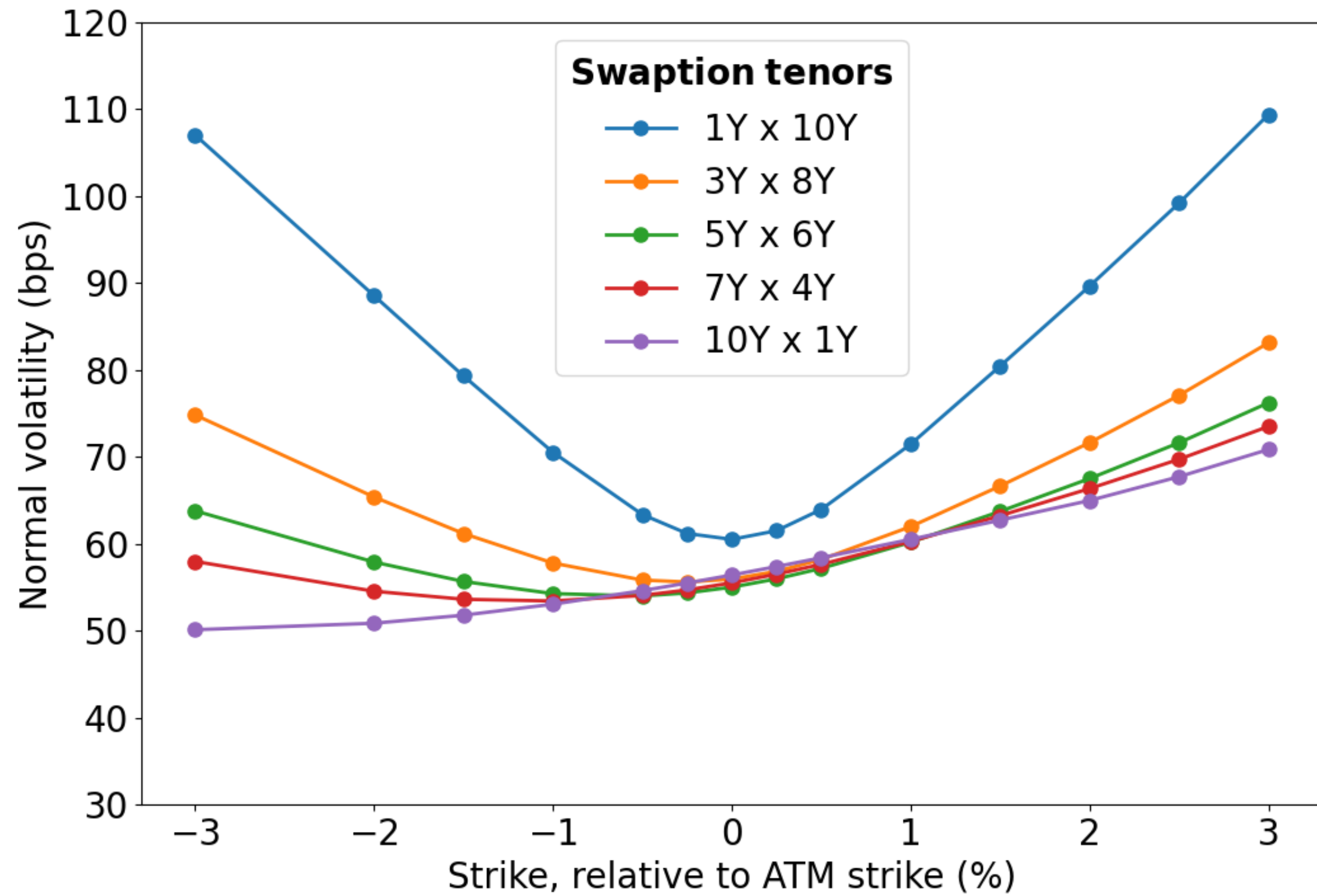
$$d\langle W, Z \rangle_t = \rho dt$$

- Constant volatility benchmark: *Hull-White model* ($v_0 := \sigma^2, \kappa = \varepsilon := 0$)

- A zero-coupon bond price $P(t, T)$, for $t < T$ is given by

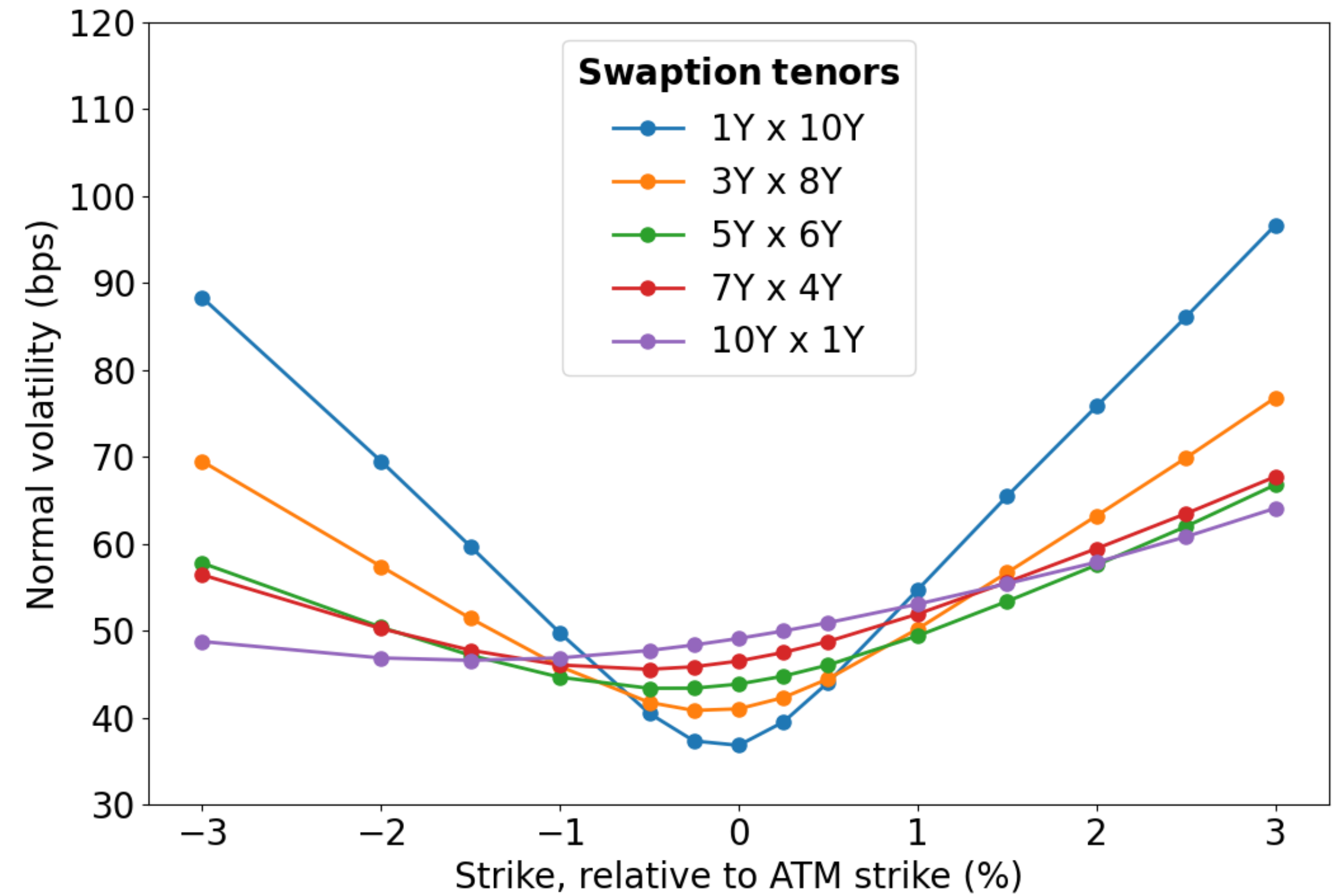
$$P(t, T) = \frac{P(0, T)}{P(0, t)} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} B^2(t, T) \phi_t - B(t, T) x_t \right\}$$

Market smiles



March 31, 2020

Peak of the Covid-19 crisis → “stressed” market

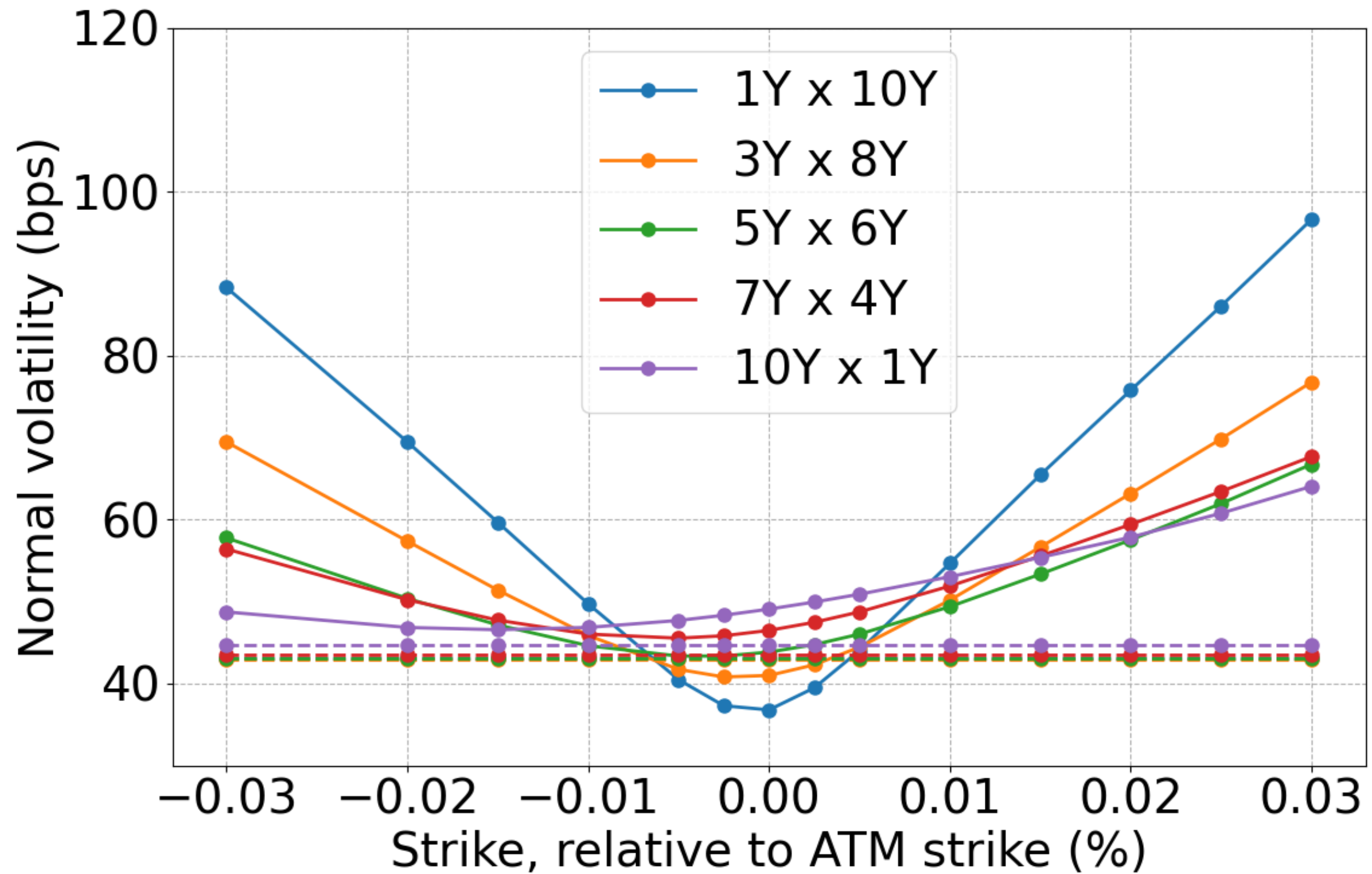


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“relaxed” market

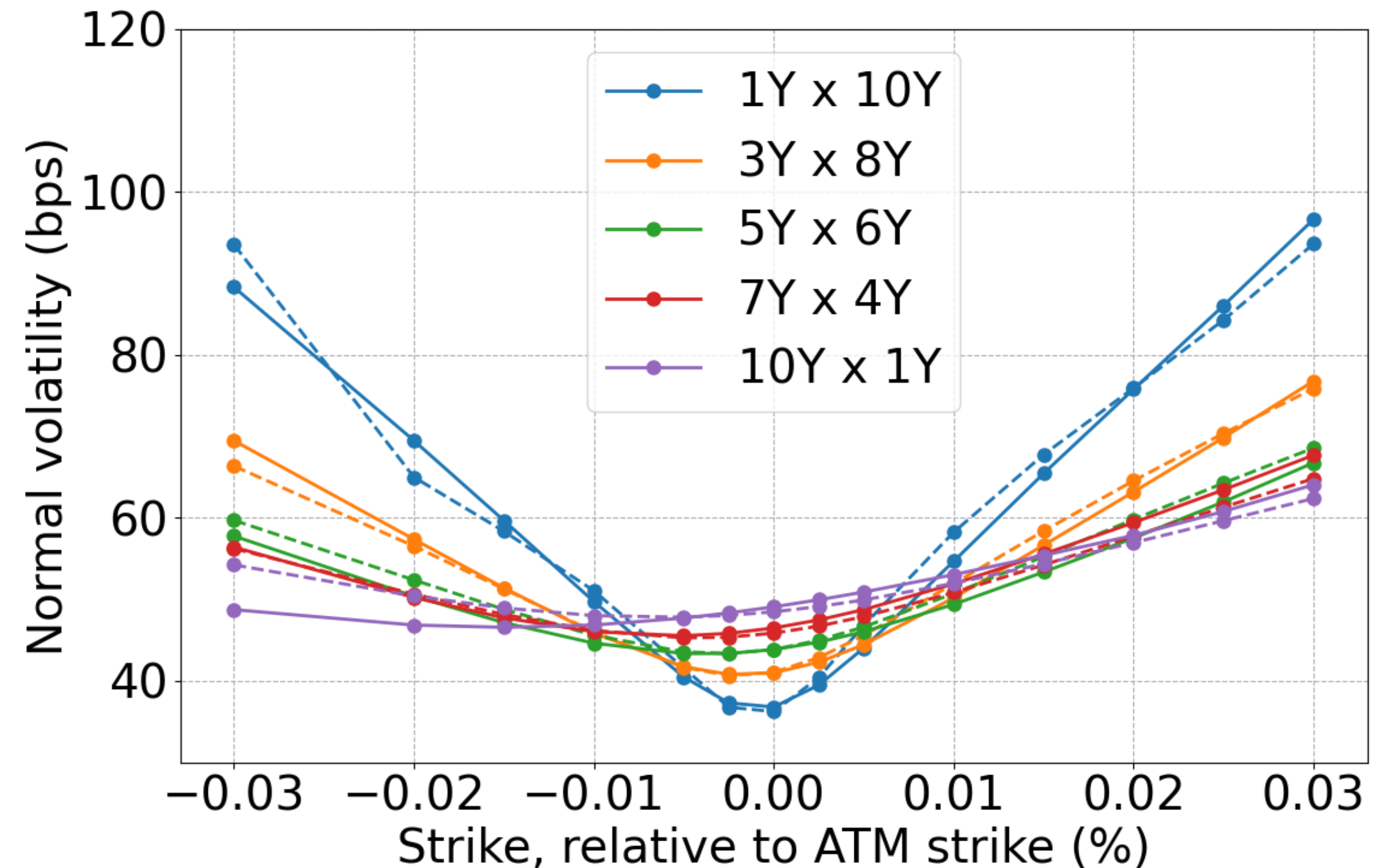
Model calibration

Constant volatility: — market - - model



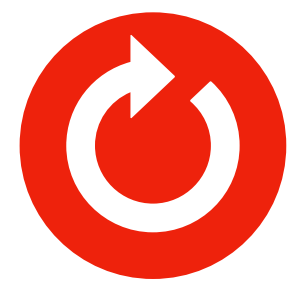
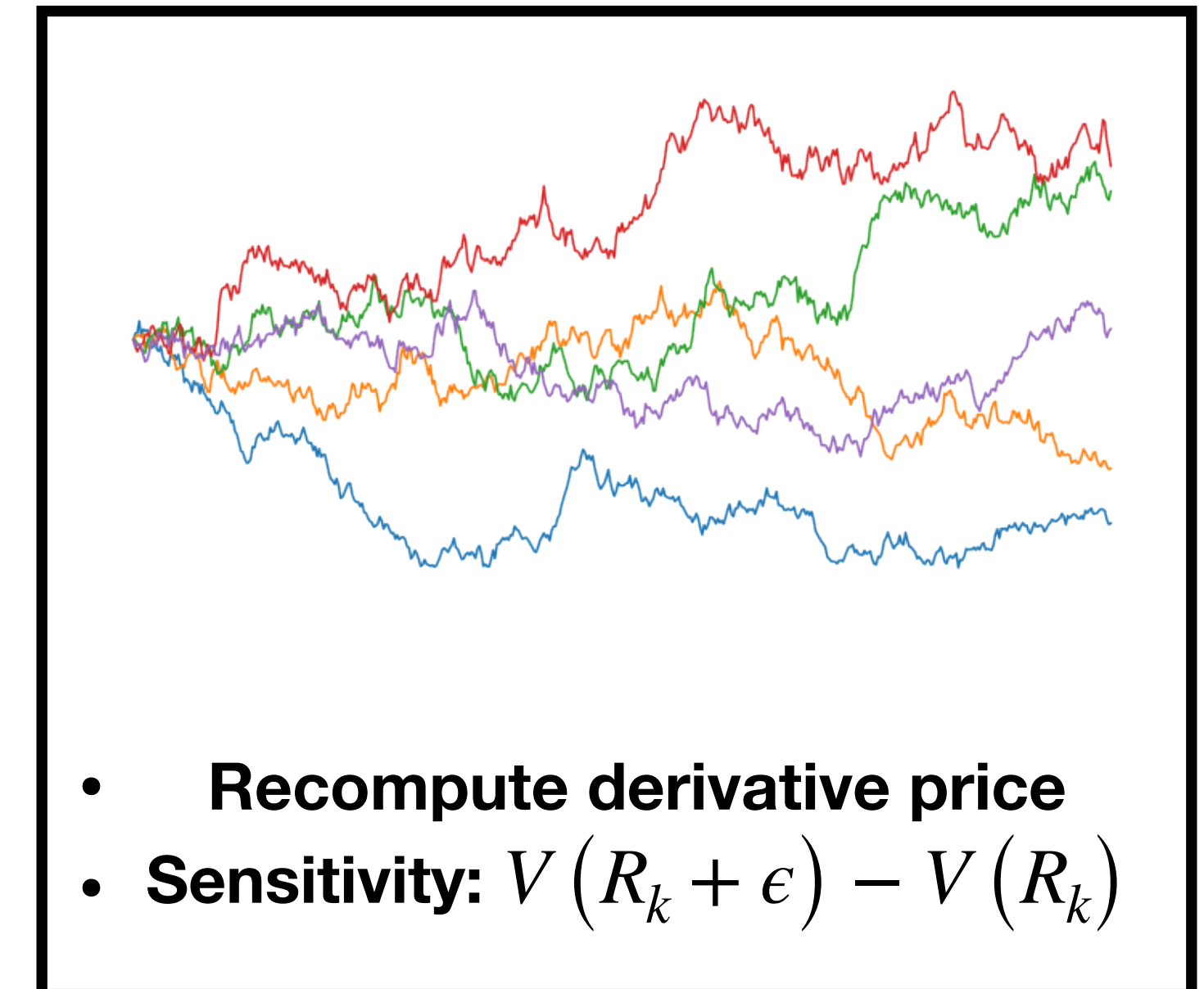
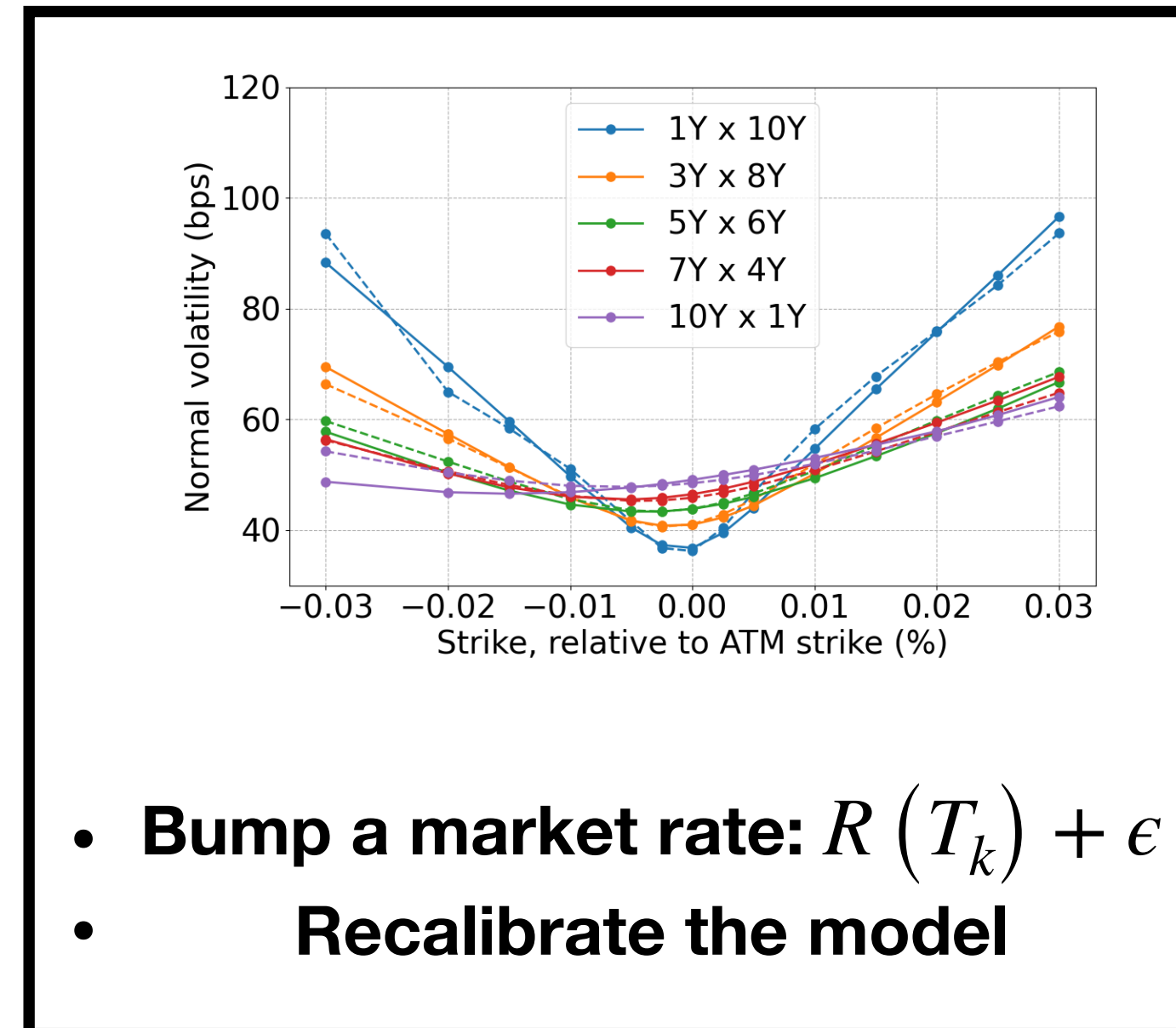
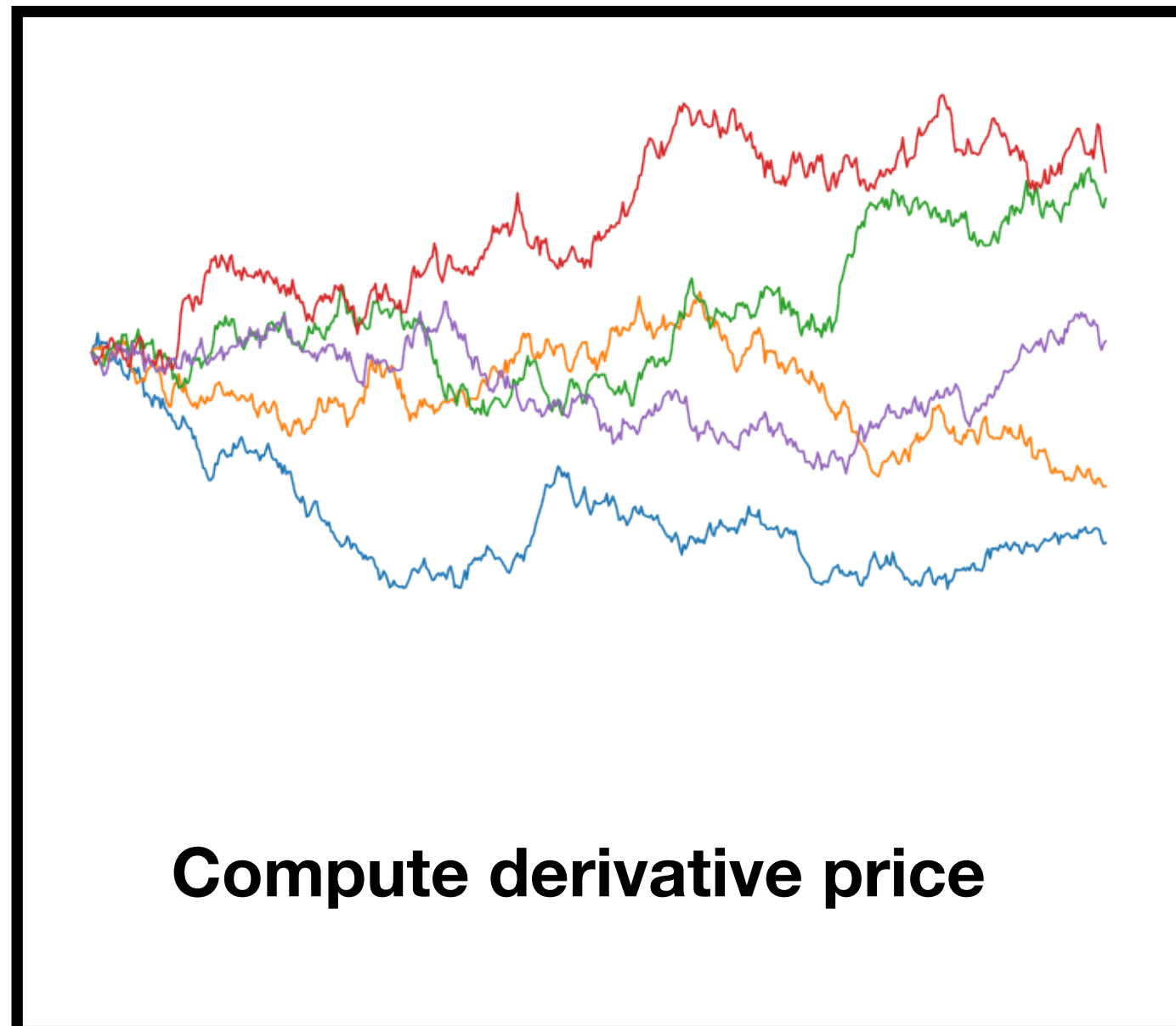
$$\sigma = 0.006690$$

Stochastic volatility: — market - - model



$$\kappa = 0.9952, \quad \bar{v} = 6.4443 \times 10^{-5}, \quad \epsilon = 2.3687 \times 10^{-2}$$
$$v_0 = 3.2292 \times 10^{-5}, \quad \rho = 0.1714$$

Sensitivity computation: bump-and-reval



Must be repeated for each:

- MC scenario
- Time-step
- Sensitivity bucket

Delta computation: closed-form

Transform model- to market sensitivities

Chain rule +
inverse function
theorem:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathbf{S}} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \mathbf{S}} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \right)^{-1}$$

Sensitivity w.r.t. the
model parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial S_1(t)} \\ \dots \\ \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial S_{12}(t)} \end{bmatrix}$$

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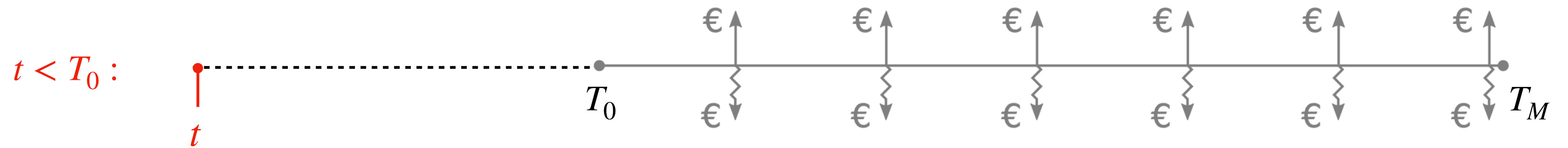
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_1}} & \dots & \frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_{12}}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial S_1(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_1}} & \dots & \frac{\partial S_1(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_{12}}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial S_{12}(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_1}} & \dots & \frac{\partial S_{12}(t)}{\partial R_{\tau_{12}}} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

- S_k = **Market rate**
(e.g. swap rate)
- R_{τ_k} = **Model rate**
(e.g. zero-rate)

Jacobian transformation

Vanilla swaption



$$V(t) = \sum_{m=1}^{M'} \tau'_m P(t, T'_m) \mathbb{E}^{0,M} \left[(S_{0,M}(T_0) - K)^+ \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

The swap rate process

- Short rate process: $dr(t) = (\theta(t) - ar(t)) dt + \sqrt{v(t)}dW(t)$
- Swap-rate, apply Ito's lemma: $dS_{0,M}(t) = \frac{\partial S_{0,M}(t)}{\partial r(t)} \sqrt{v(t)}dW^{A_{0,M}}(t)$
- Quasi-Gaussian: $dS_{0,M}(t) \approx \left(\sum_{m=1}^{M'} \bar{\zeta}_m B(t, T'_m) \right) \sqrt{v(t)}dW^{A_{0,M}}(t)$

The 'Bachelier'-version of Heston

- For
$$\begin{cases} dS(t) = \xi(t)\sqrt{v(t)}dW_1(t) \\ dv(t) = \kappa(\bar{v} - v(t))dt + \epsilon\sqrt{v(t)}dW_2(t) \end{cases}$$
- Let $\phi(u, t) = \mathbb{E} \left[e^{iuS(T)} \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]$, the characteristic function of $S(t)$.
- Then
$$\mathbb{E} \left[(S(T) - K)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \frac{e^{-\alpha K}}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{Re} \left(e^{-iuK} \frac{\phi(u - i\alpha, t)}{(iu + \alpha)^2} \right) du$$

Sensitivities along the path

- Consider the *path-wise derivative method*:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial R_k} \mathbb{E} \left[(S(T) - K)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial R_k} (S(T) - K)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

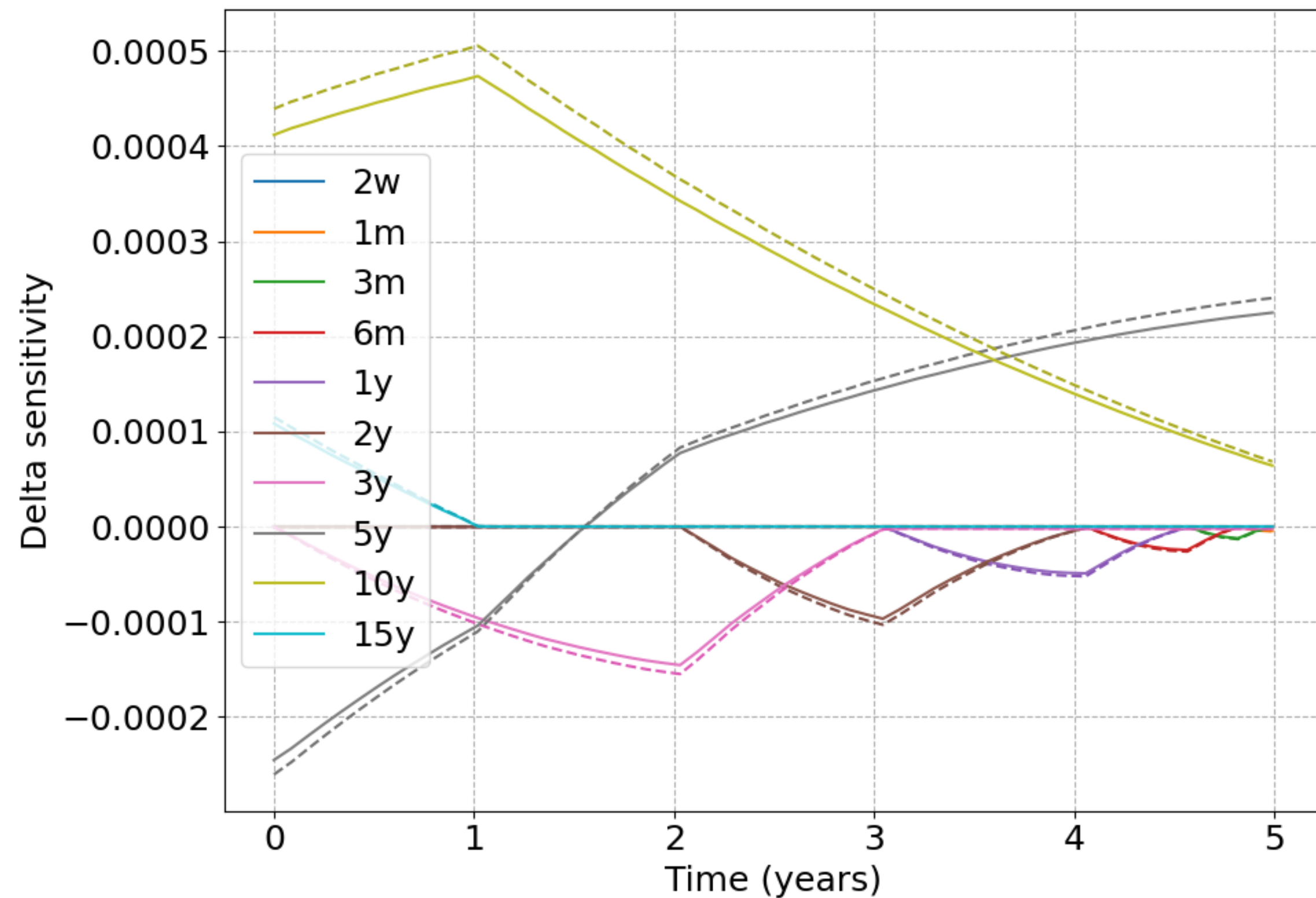
- Then it follows:

$$\frac{\partial V(t)}{\partial R_k} = (\alpha_0 P(t, T_0) - \alpha_M P(t, T_M)) \Psi_0(t, K) + \sum_{m=1}^M \tau_m \alpha_m P(t, T_m) (\Psi(t, K) - S(t) \Psi_0(t, K))$$

- where: $\Psi_0(t, K) := \mathbb{E} \left[1_{\{S(T) > K\}} \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\text{Im} \left(e^{-iuK} \phi(u, t) \right)}{u} du$

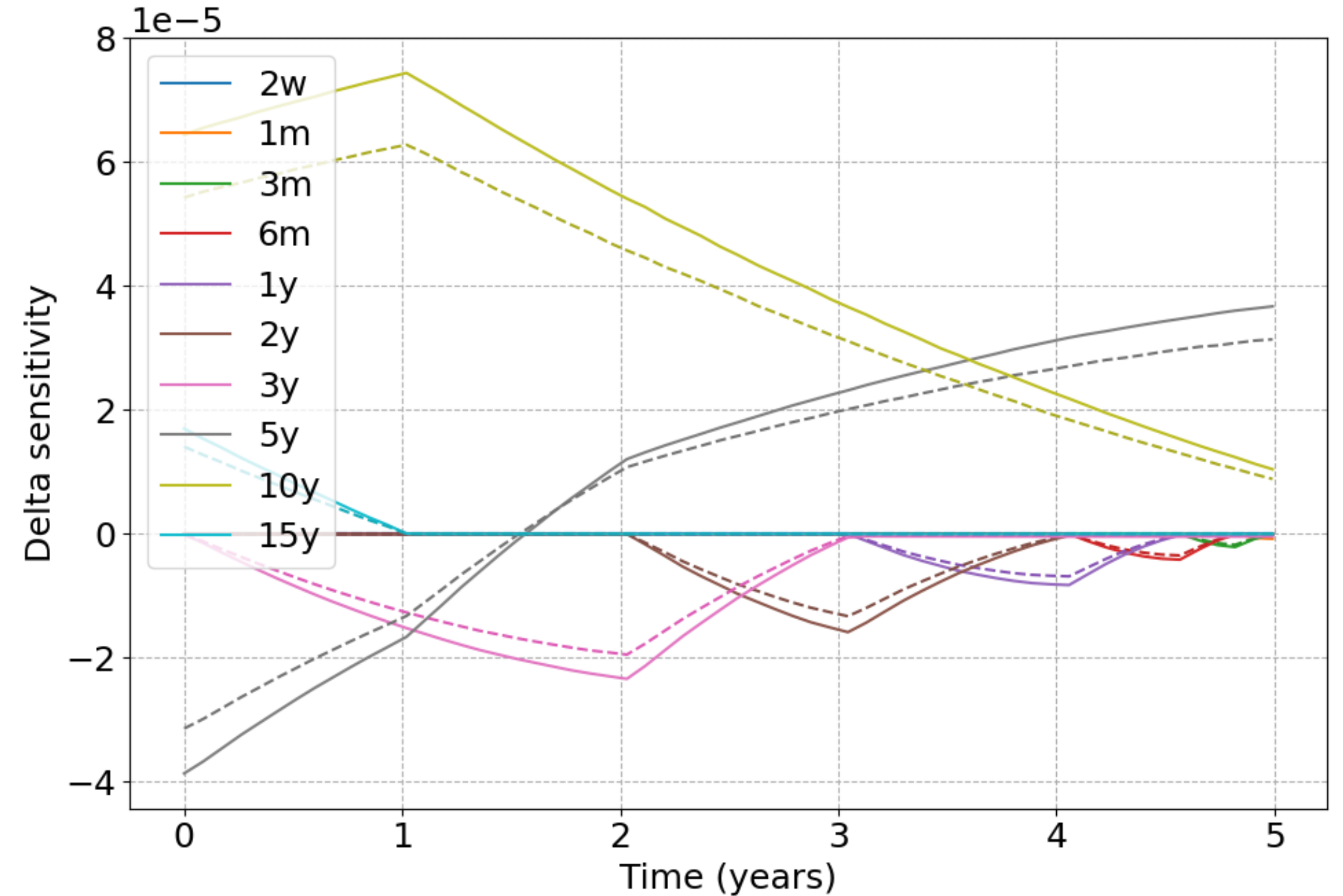
Delta profile - 5Yx6Y swaption

ATM ($K = S_{0,M}(0)$)



— stochastic vol - - constant vol

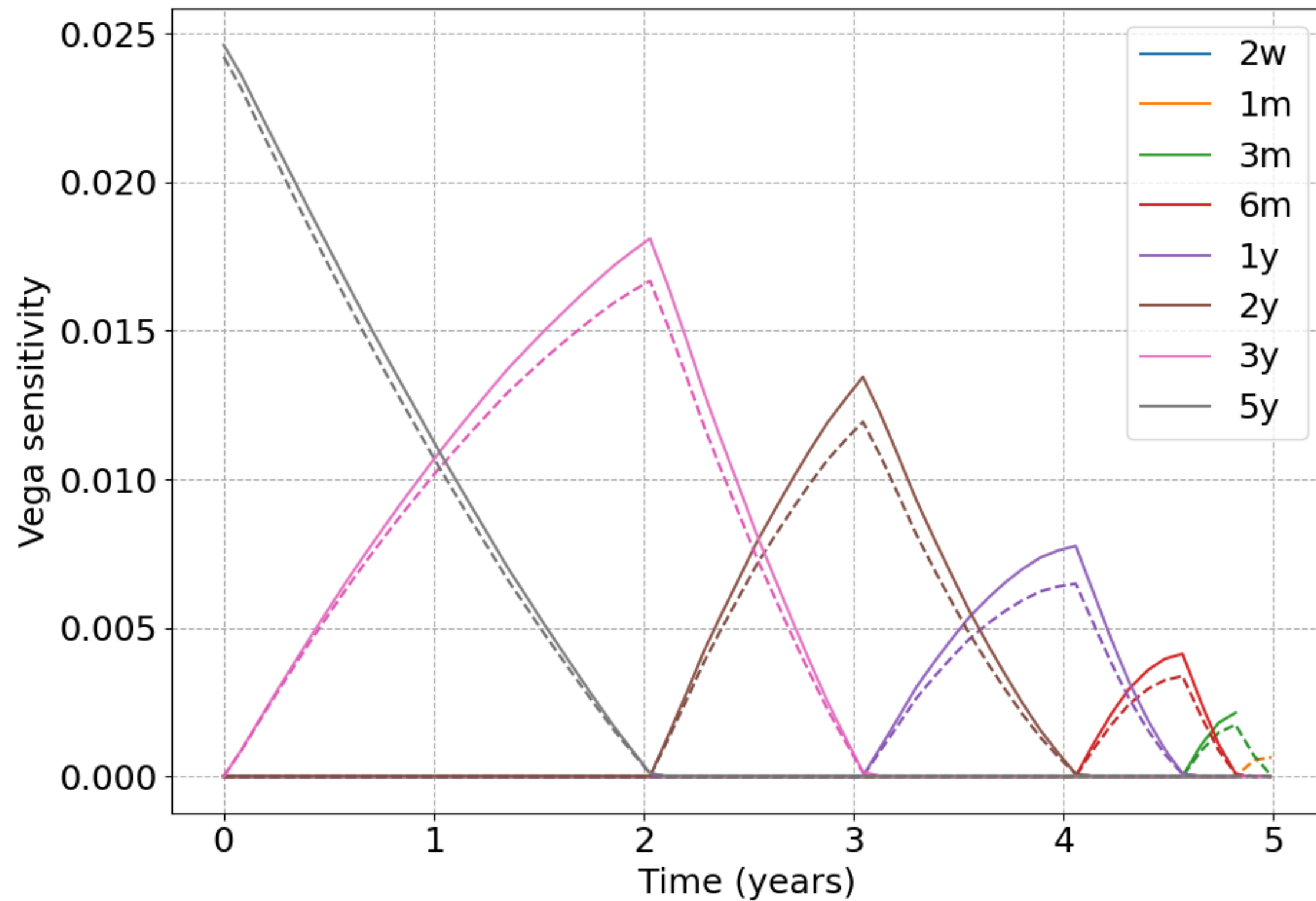
OTM ($K = K_{ATM} + 1.5\%$)



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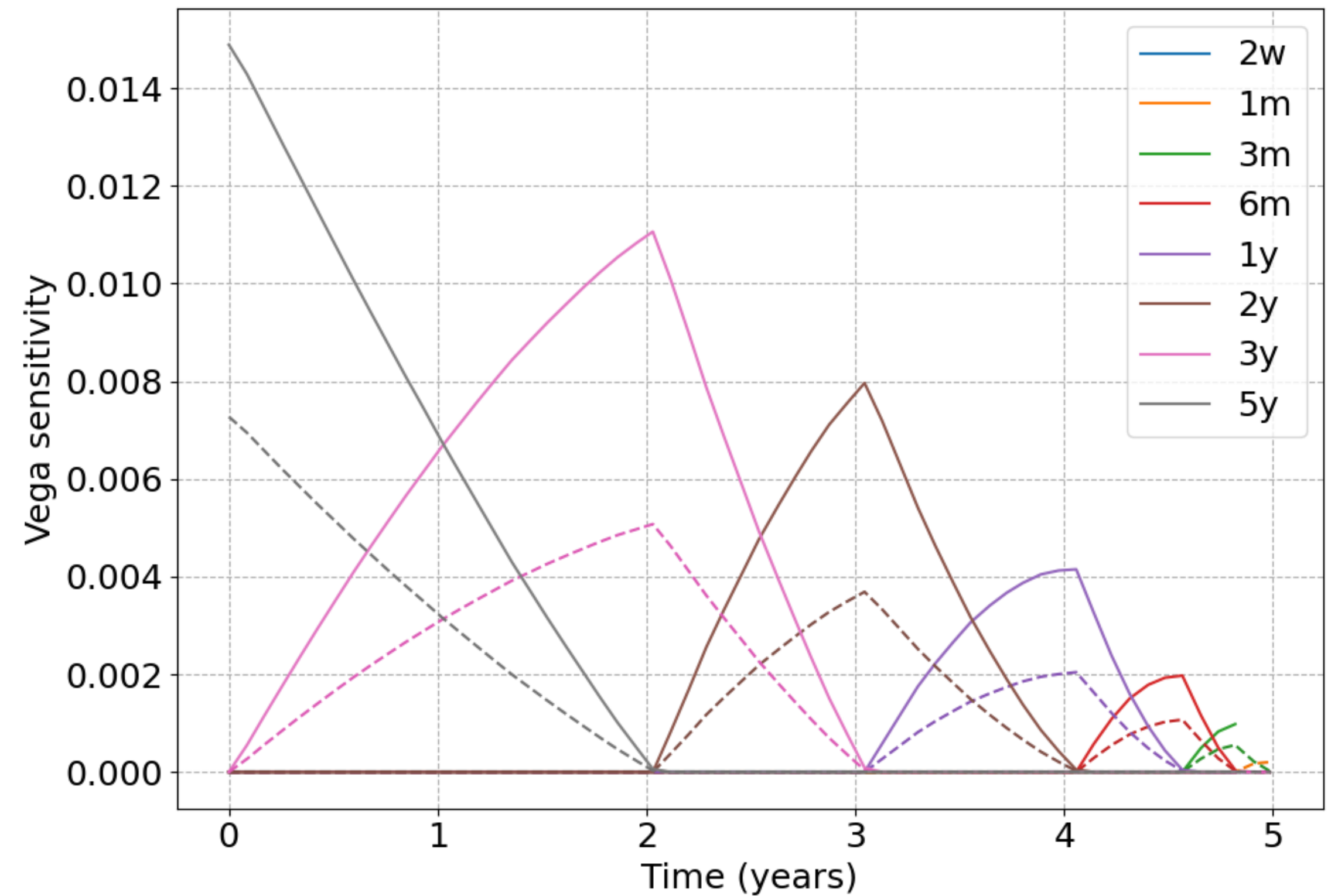
Vega profile - 5Yx6Y swaption

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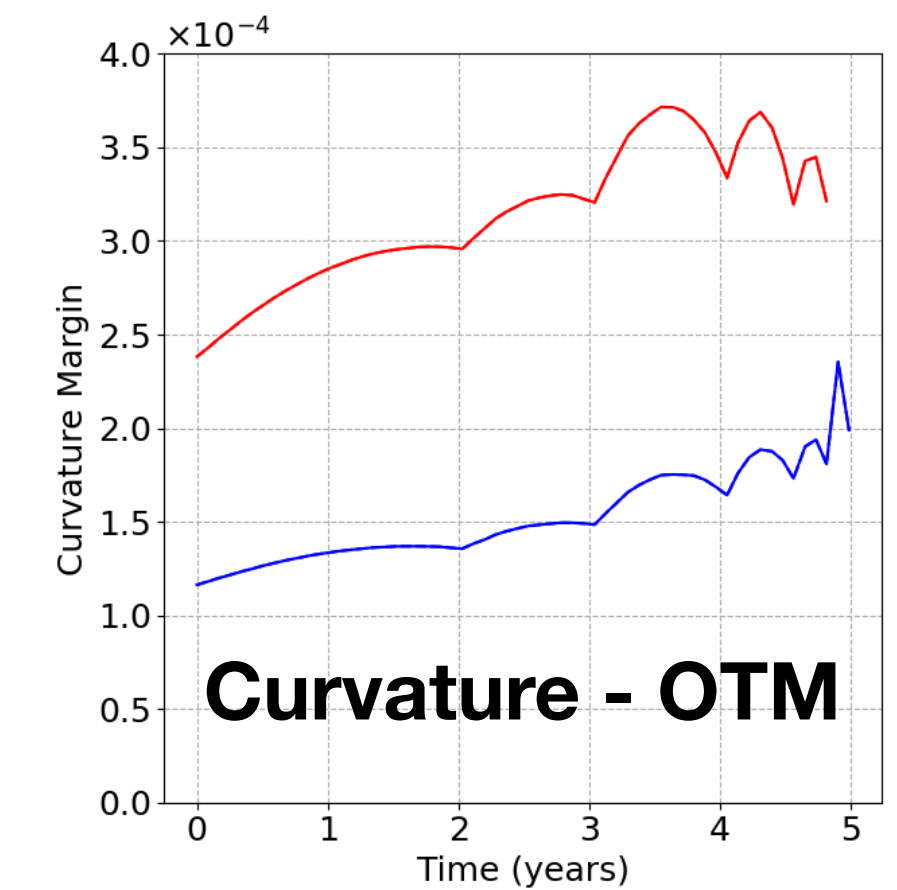
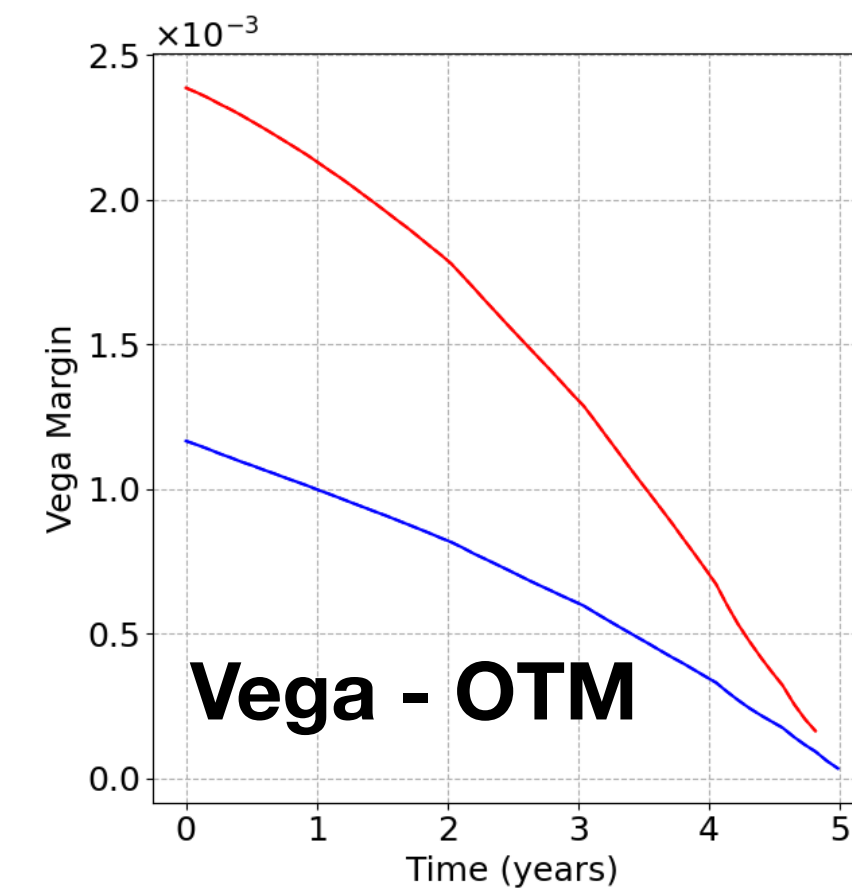
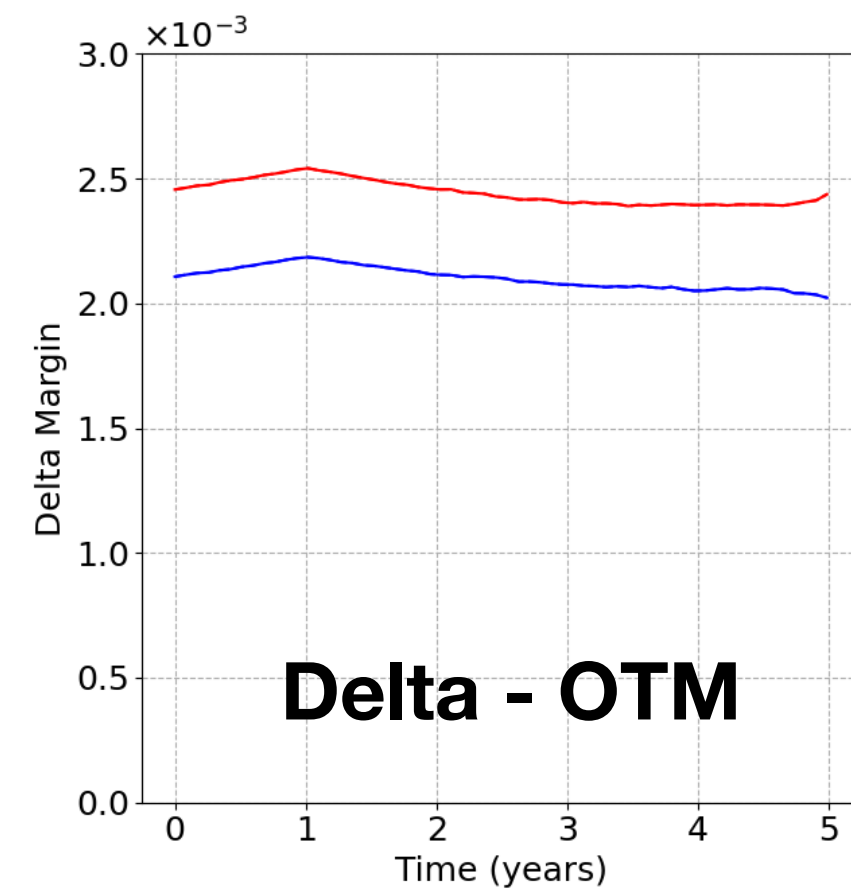
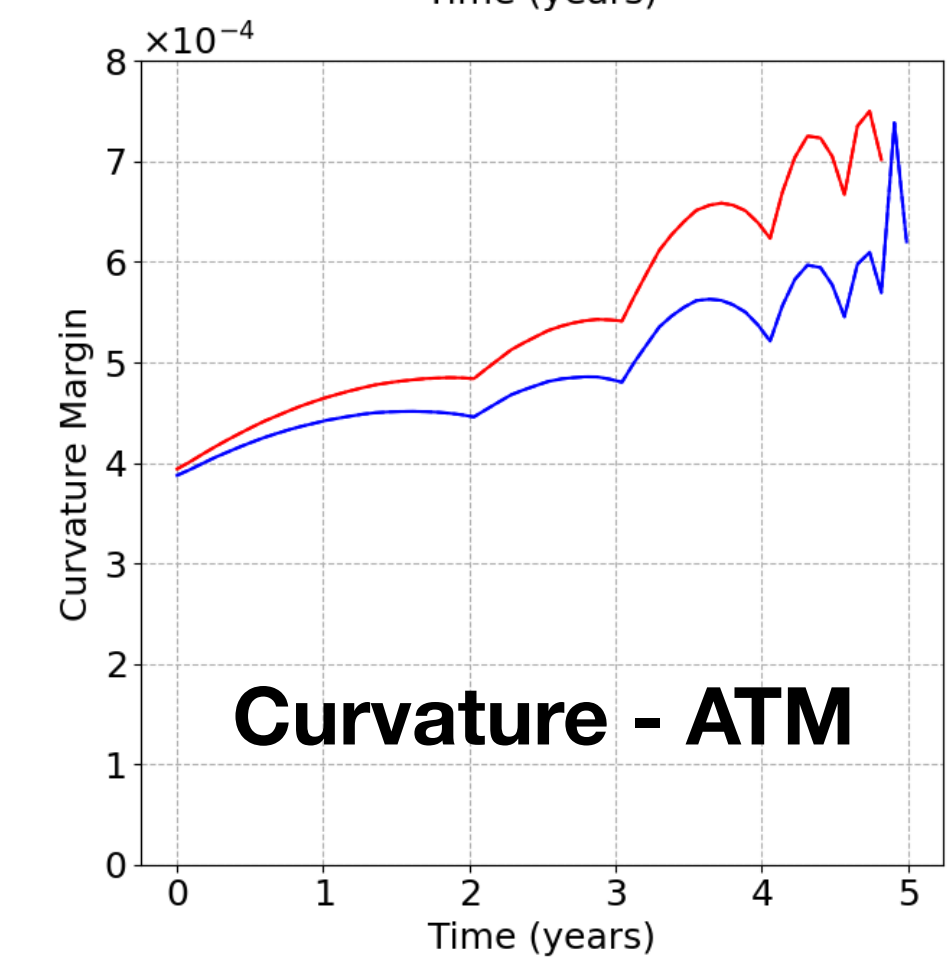
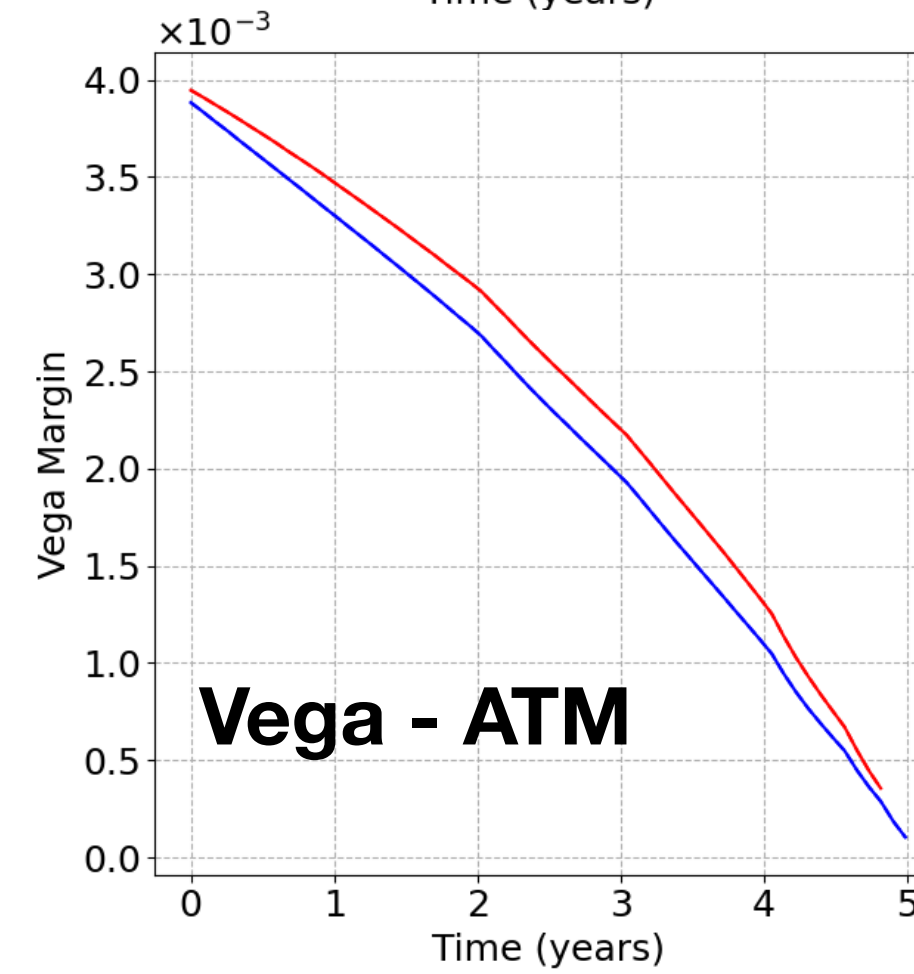
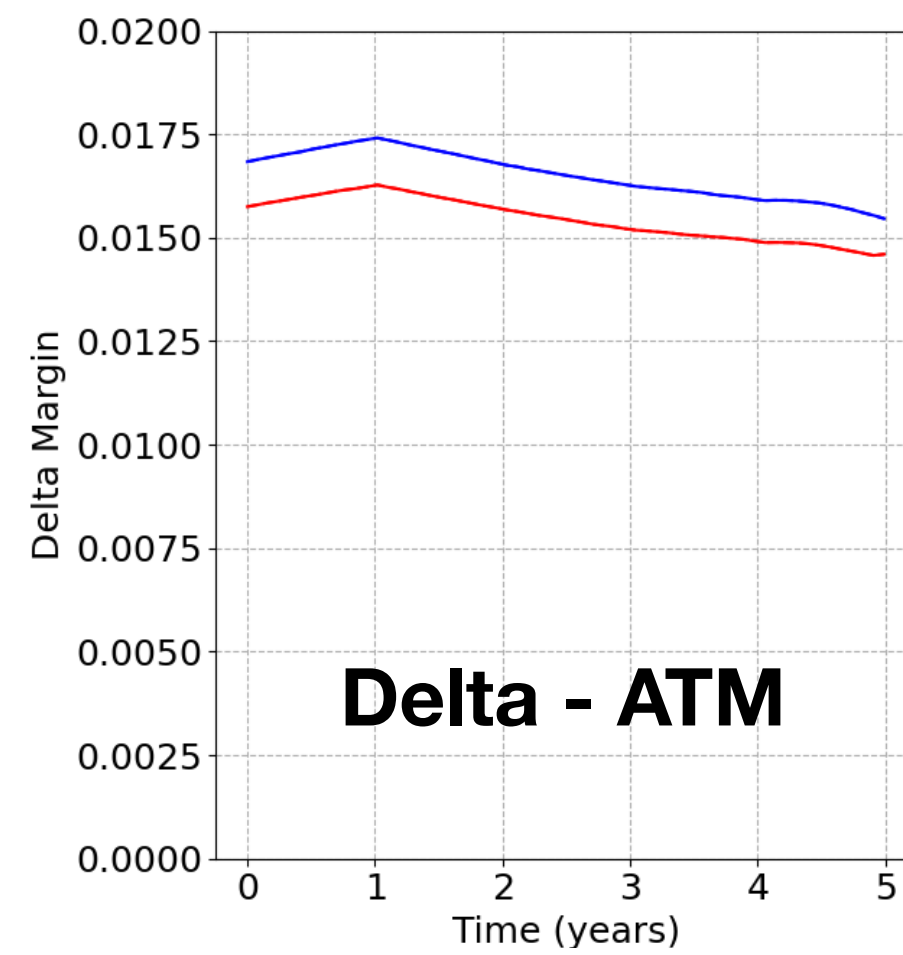
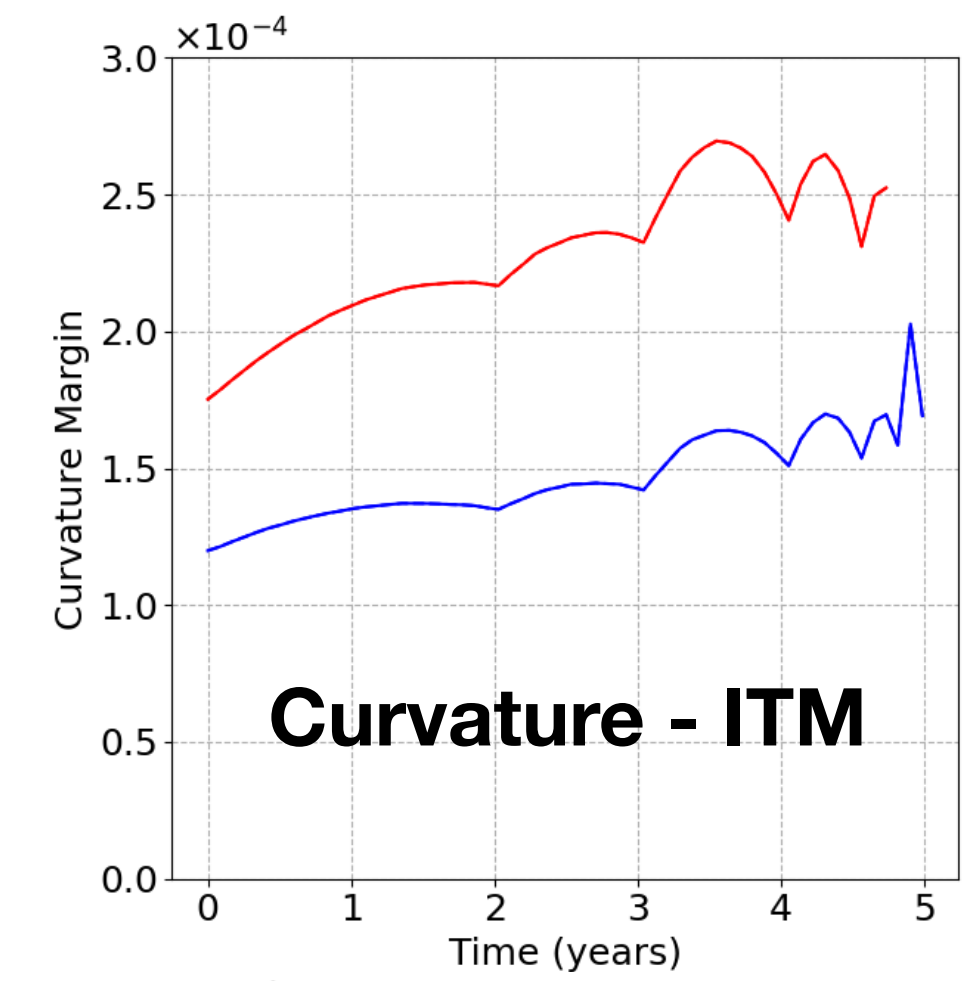
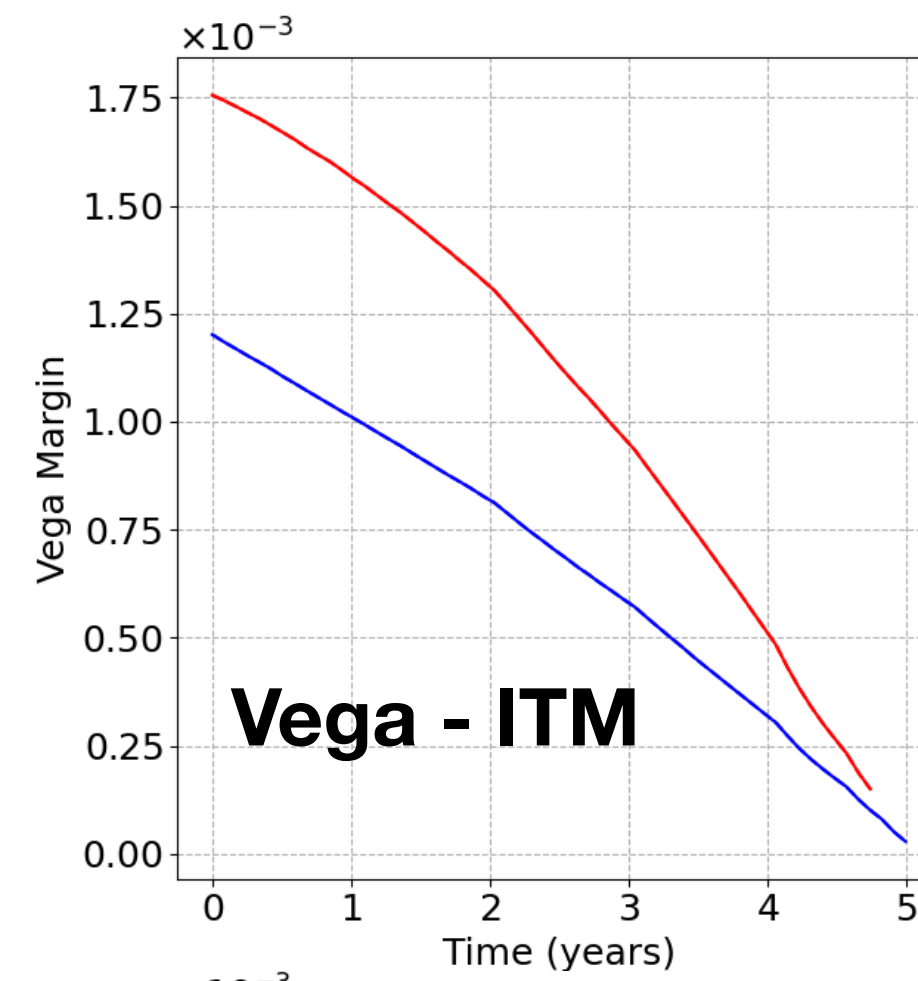
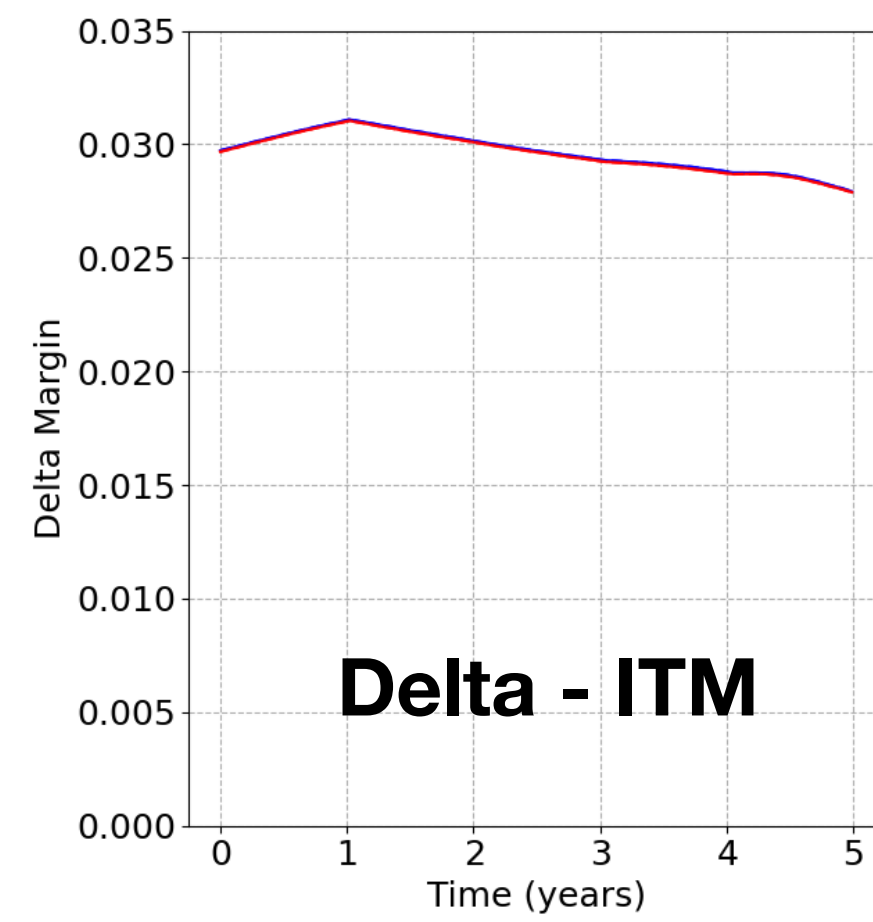
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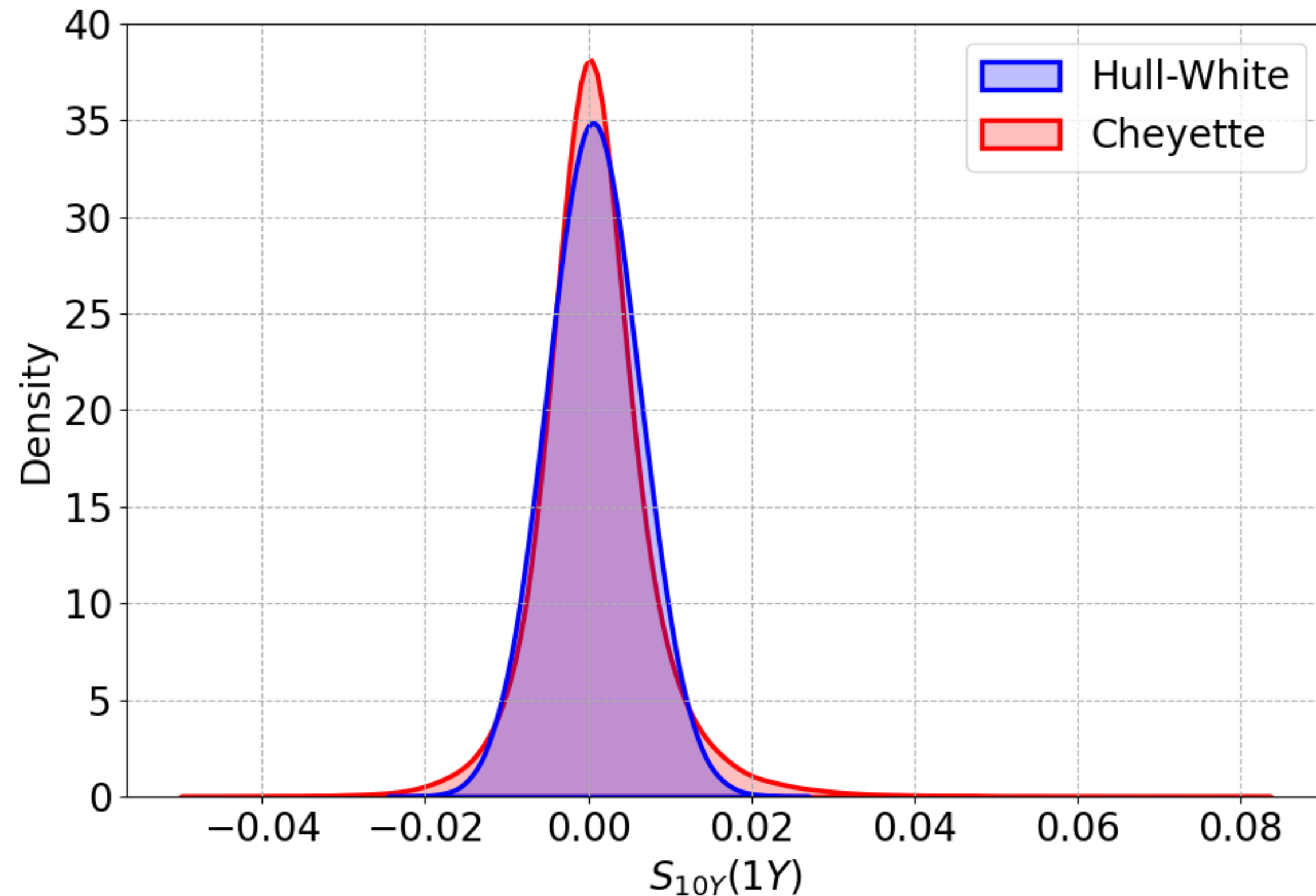
— stochastic vol - - constant vol

Delta-, vega- and curvature-margin profiles

— stochastic vol
— constant vol



Risk-neutral swap rate distribution



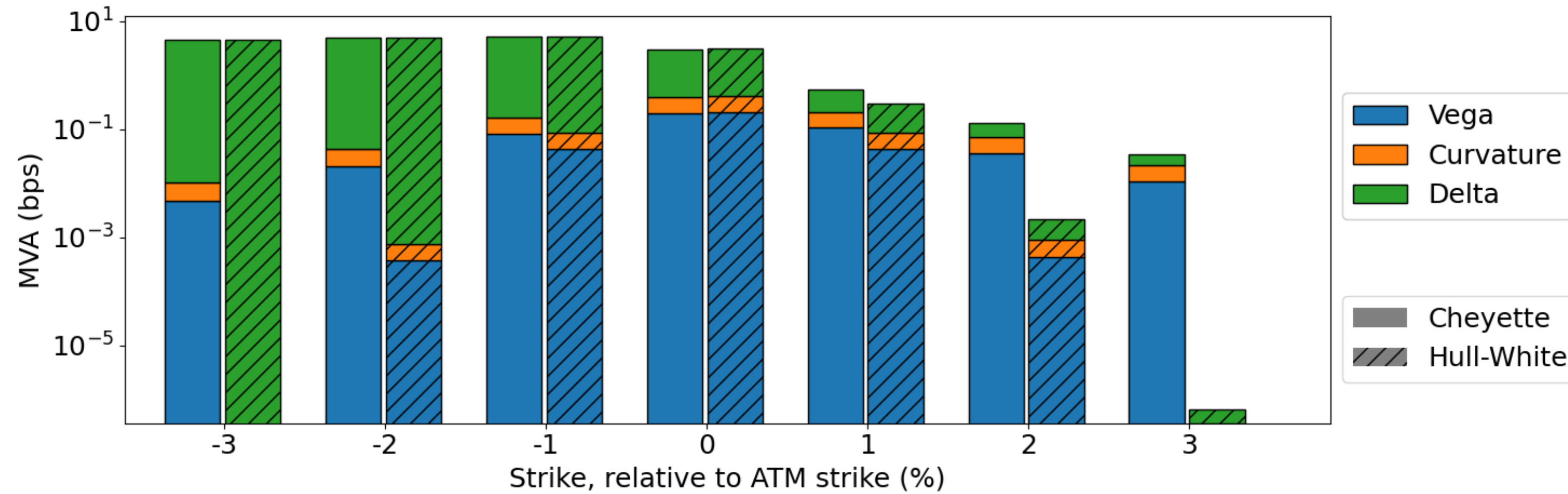
The swap rate distribution under stochastic volatility exhibits...

- ...Fatter tails
- ...Higher central peaks (convex smile)
- ...Shifted to the left (skewed smile)

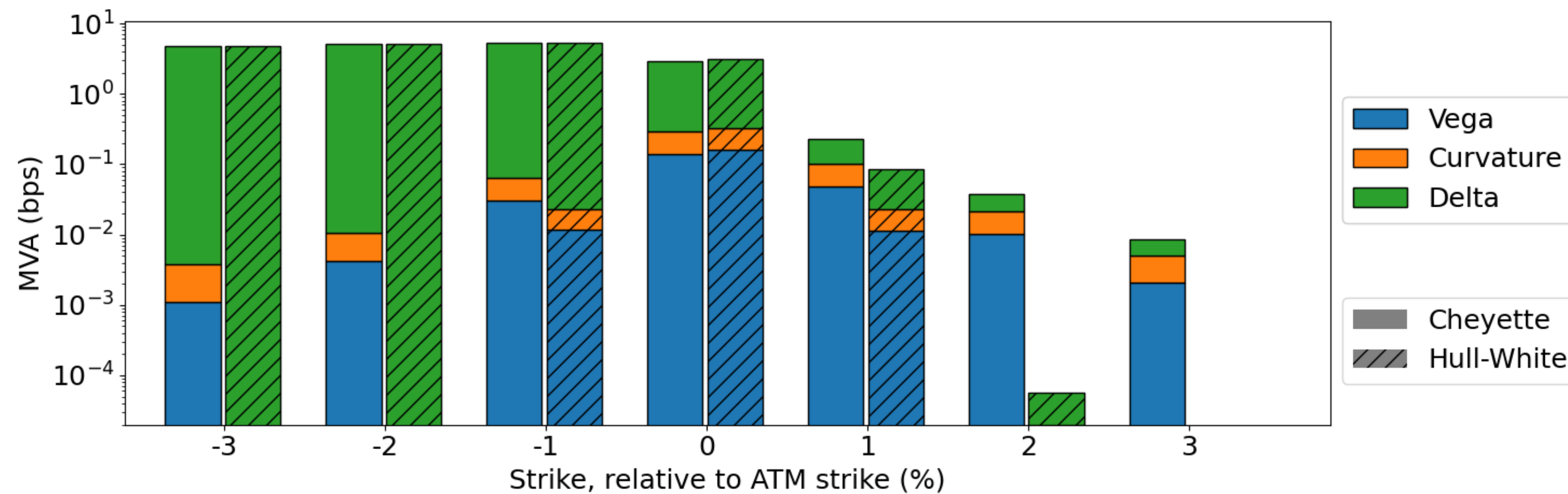
$$\begin{aligned} \text{delta} &\propto N(d_1) \propto \mathbb{Q}(S_{0,M}(T_0) > K) \\ \text{vega / gamma} &\propto N'(d_1) \propto f_{\mathbb{Q}}(S_{0,M}(T_0) = K) \end{aligned}$$

MVA for 1Yx10Y swaptions

'stressed' market



'relaxed' market



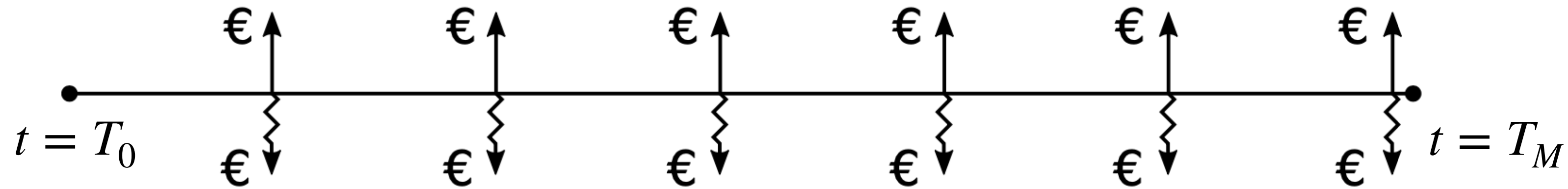
Take-aways

- The Cheyette model extended with a stochastic volatility component can satisfactorily fit multiple implied volatility swaption smiles simultaneously.
- Both forward- and backward-looking term rates can be accommodated.
- Vanilla option prices and sensitivities can be efficiently computed along the MC paths.
- Margins for non-linear derivatives can be significantly mis-valued with a constant volatility model. Far OTM options in particular.

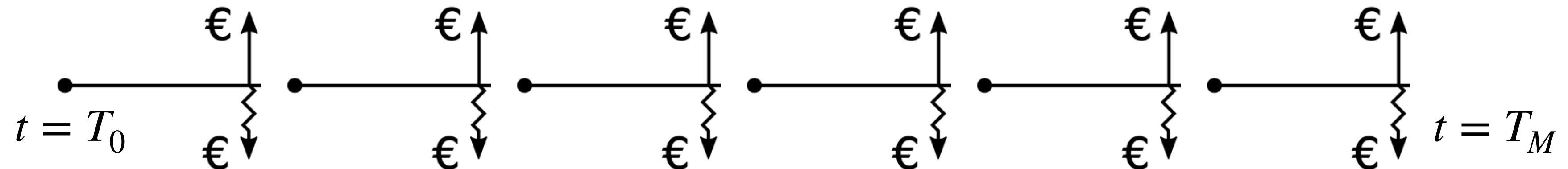
Thank you!

Vanilla IR derivatives

- **Fix-floating swap:** exchanges fixed vs. floating interest payment.



- **Cap / Floor:** exchanges fixed vs. floating interest payment, but only if the fixed rate is higher / lower than the floating rate.

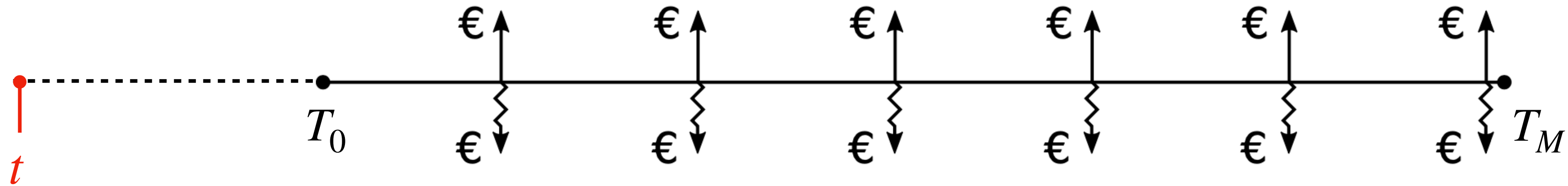


- **Swaption:** Option on a forward starting swap



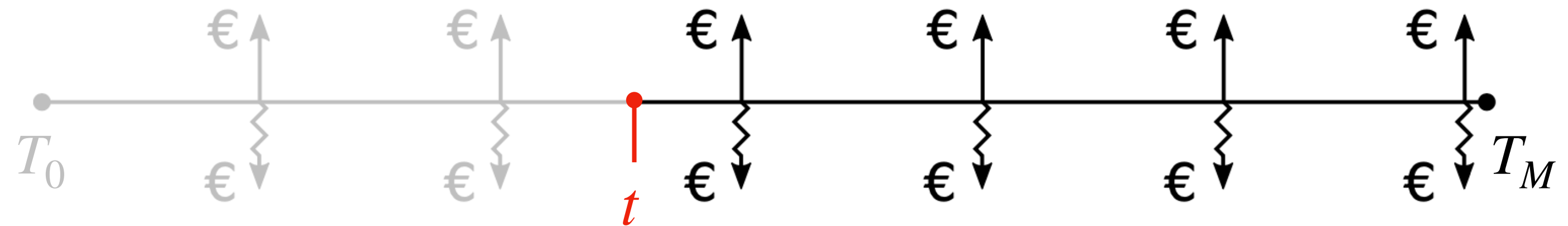
Interest rate swap

$t < T_0$:



$$V(t) = P(t, T_0) - P(t, T_M) - \sum_{m=1}^{M'} \tau'_j K P(t, T'_m)$$

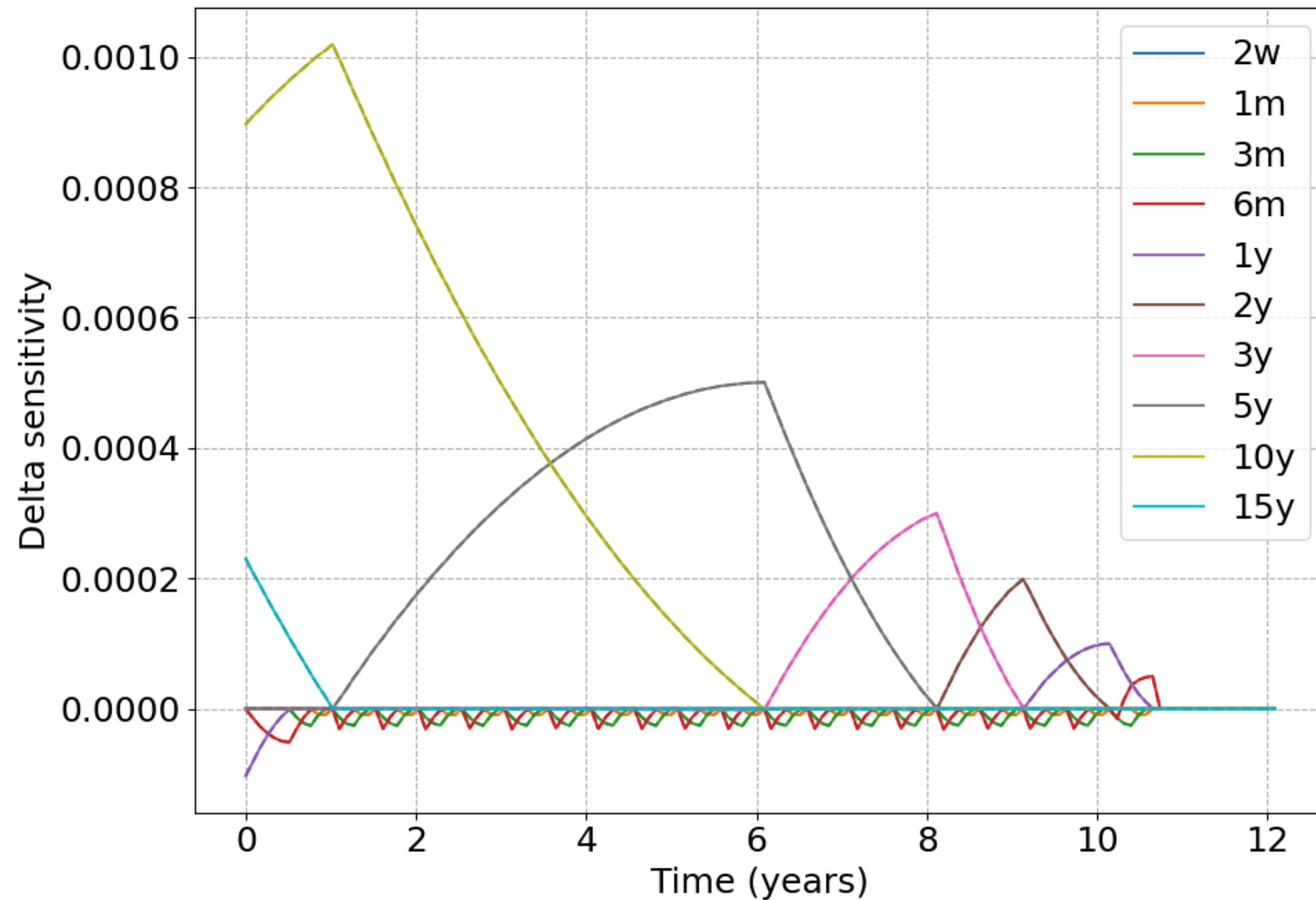
$T_0 < t < T_M$:



$$V(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{P(t, T_i)}{P(T_{i-1}, T_i)} - P(t, T_M) - \sum_{m=j}^{M'} \tau'_j K P(t, T'_m) & \text{LIBOR swap} \\ e^{\int_{T_{i-1}}^t r_u du} - P(t, T_M) - \sum_{m=j}^{M'} \tau'_j K P(t, T'_m) & \text{RFR swap} \end{cases}$$

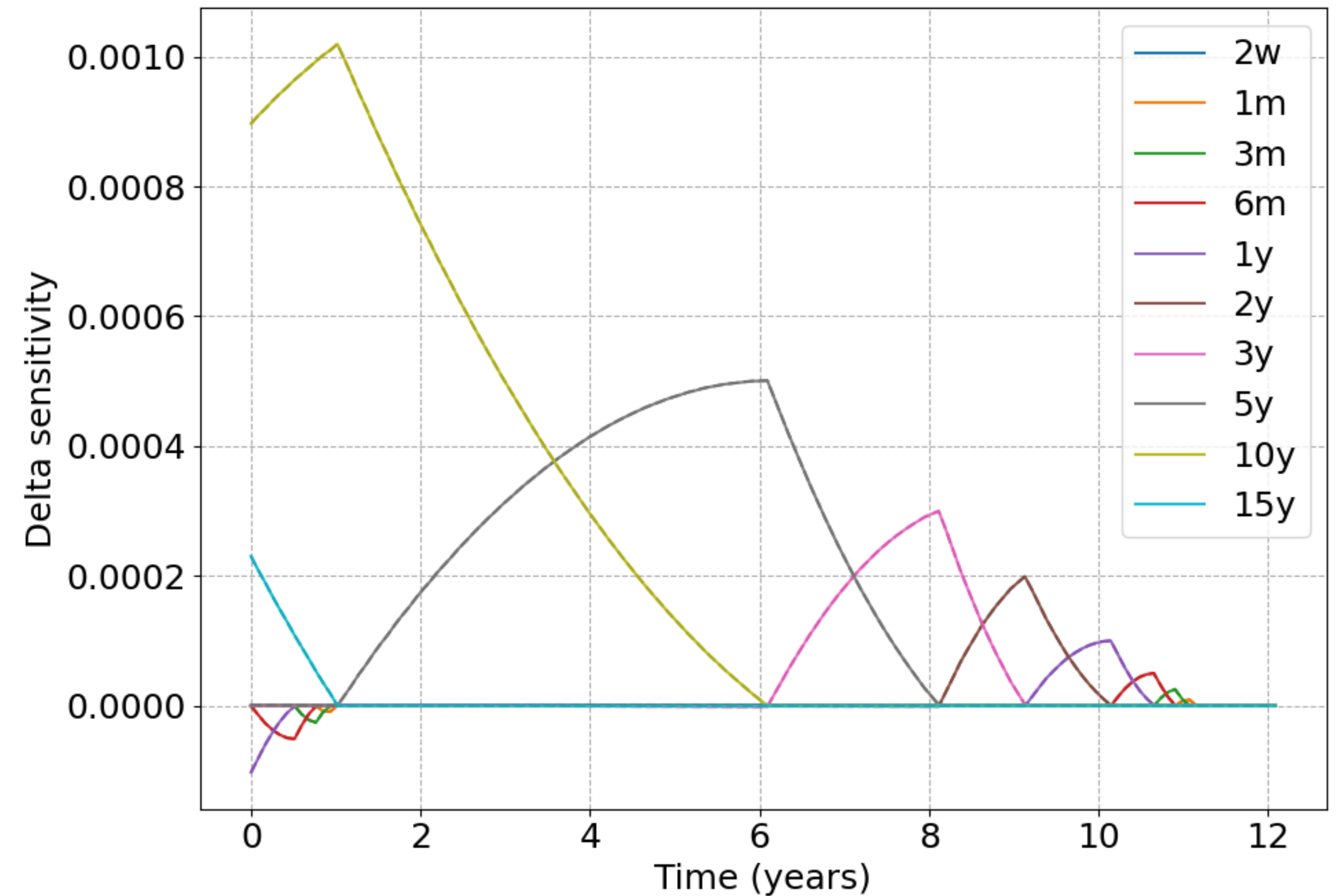
Delta profile - 1Yx10Y ATM swap

Forward-looking (LIBOR)



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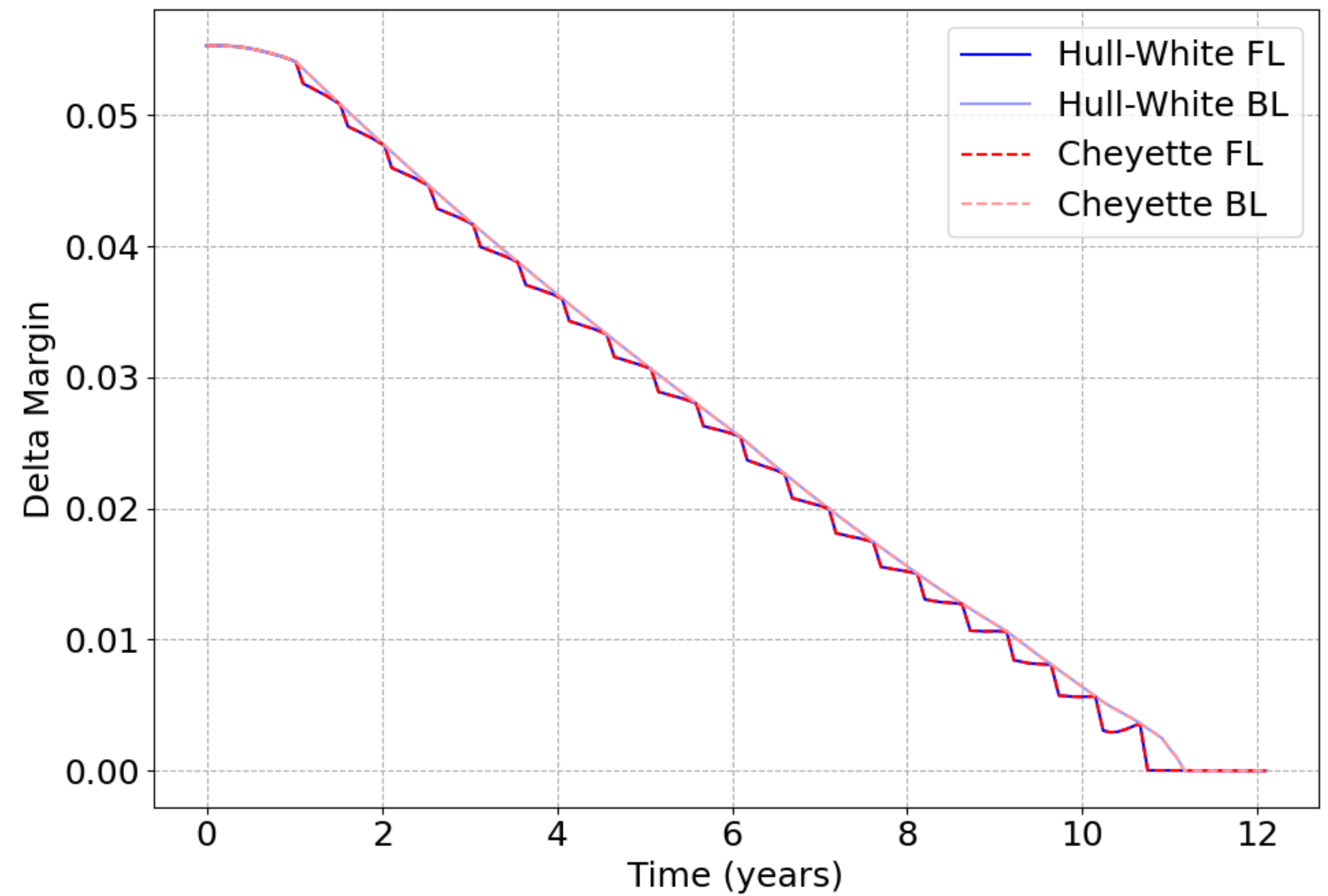
Backward-looking (RFR)



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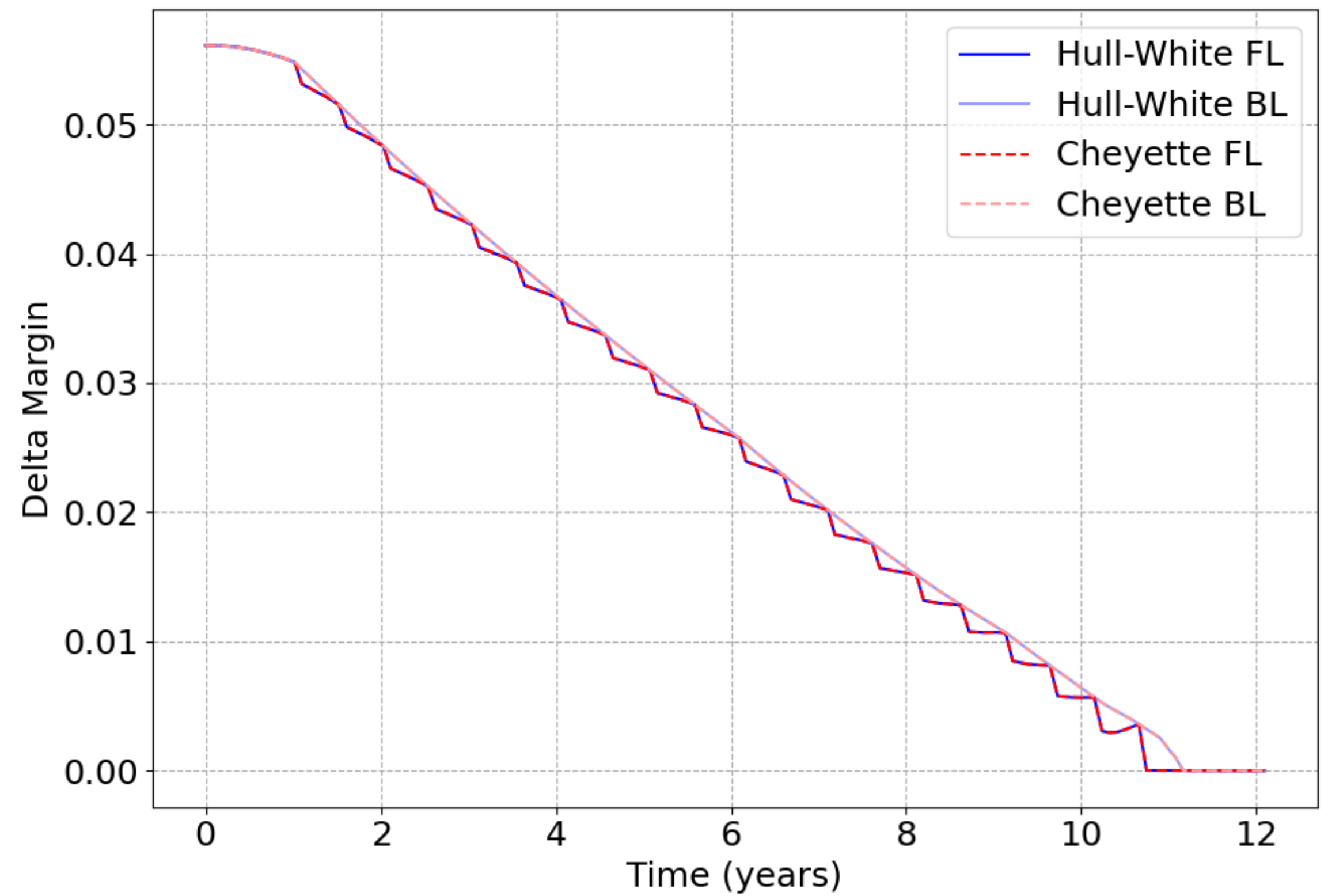
Delta margin - 1Yx10Y ATM swap

'stressed' market



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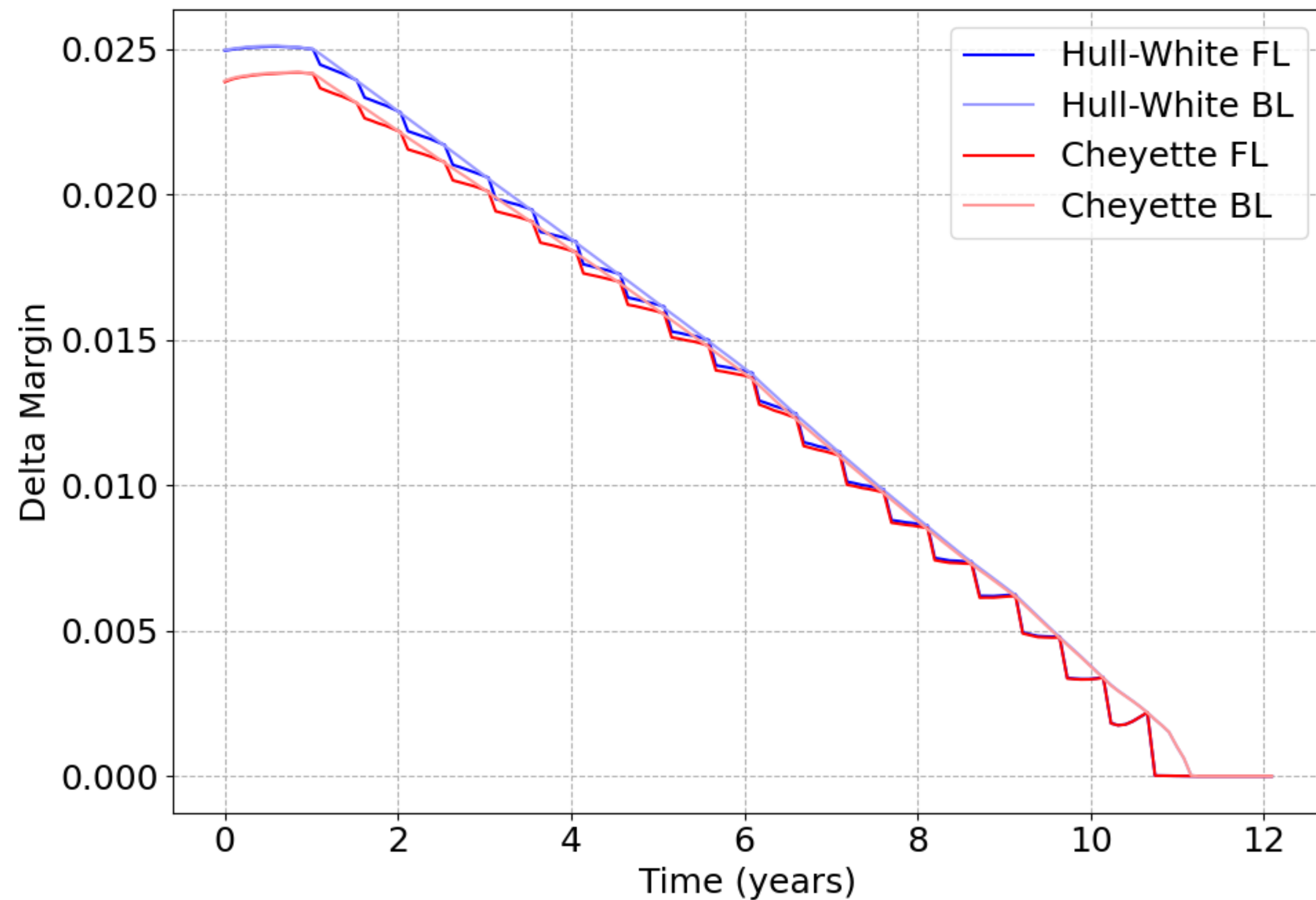
'relaxed' market



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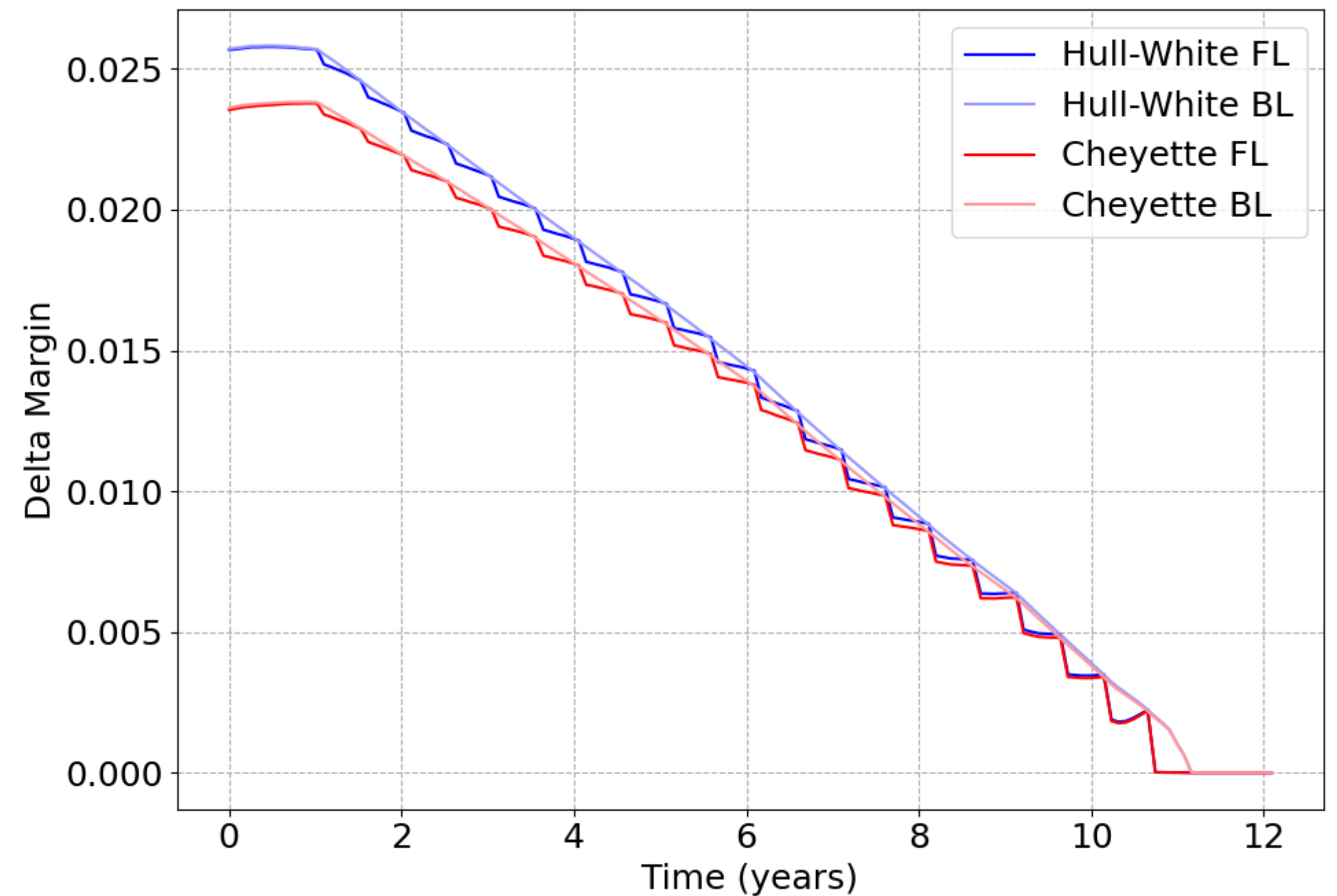
Delta margin - 1Yx10Y ATM cap

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