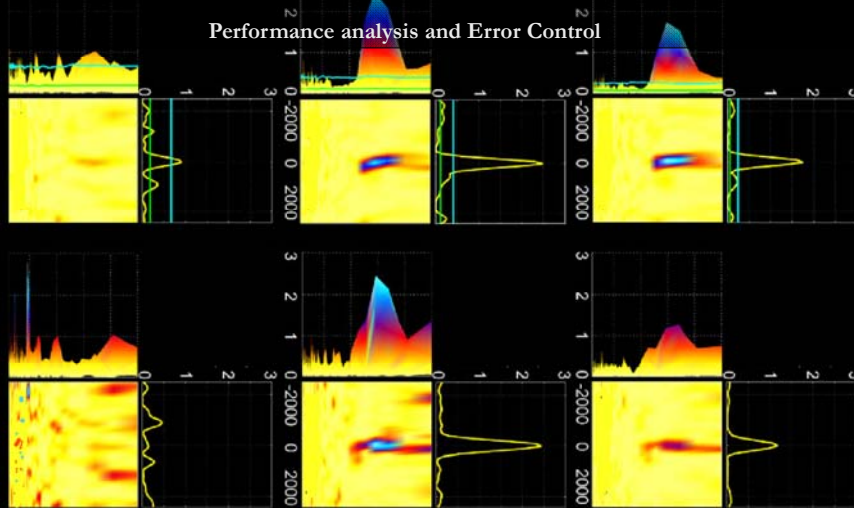


# DFT Methods for Option Pricing

## Fast Extensions on Non Uniform Gaussian Grids



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## FT Pricing Formulas

European Call Price  $C_t$   $f_2(\ln S_t, \xi | \ln S_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i\xi \ln S_t} q_2(\ln S_t | \ln S_0) d \ln S_t$

Spot Price  $S_t$  under risk-neutral measure



A linear direct mapping from Fourier Space



$$C_0 = \frac{e^{-\alpha \ln K}}{\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} \Re \left( e^{i\xi \ln K} \frac{e^{-rT} f_2(\xi - (\alpha + 1)i)}{\alpha^2 + \alpha - \xi^2 + i(2\alpha + 1)\xi} \right) d\xi$$

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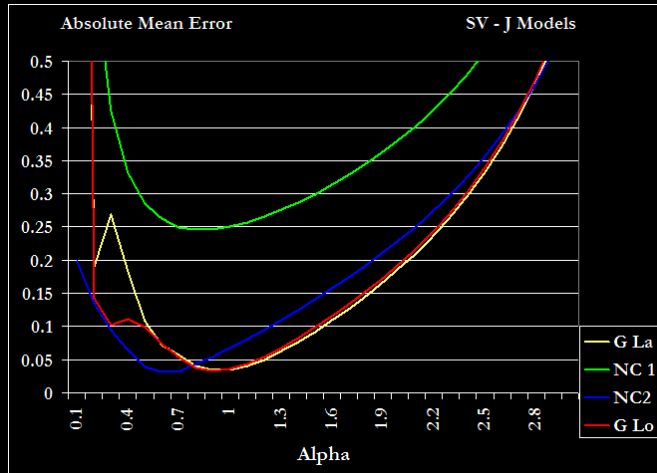


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## Accuracy

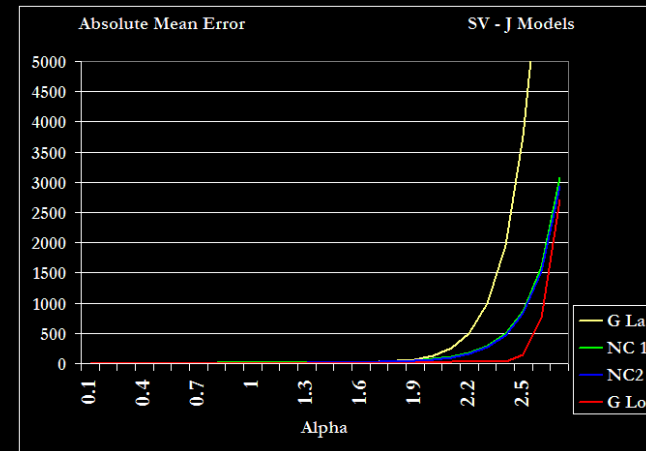
Absolute Mean Error computed w.r.t.  $\alpha$  on an  $(\sigma, \tau)$  space



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## Stability

Absolute Mean Error computed w.r.t.  $\alpha$  on an Extended  $(\sigma, \tau)$  space



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### DFT Convergence to FT

Given the General DFT



$$\omega(m) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{X} x_j(m-1)} f(x_j) \quad \text{where } m = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

$M \neq N$

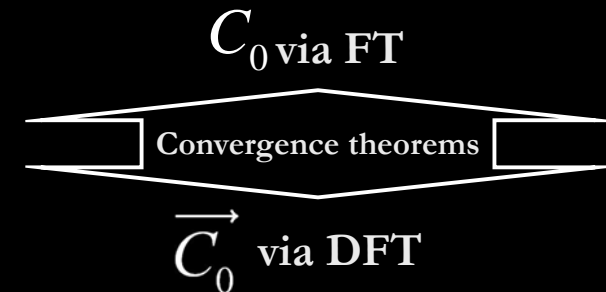
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### The Convergence Theorem for General DFT's (C Th)

$$\mathcal{F}[f(x)](t_m) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{X} x_j (m-1)} f(x_j, X)$$

$$t_m = \frac{2\pi}{X} (m-1)$$



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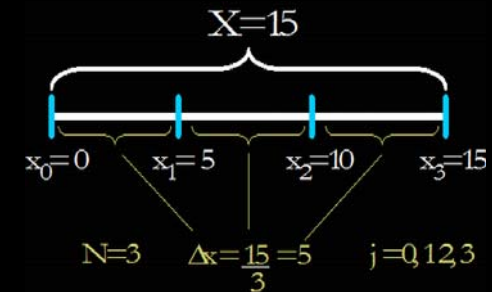
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#### Convergence Theorems for Uniform Grids

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#### Uniform Discretization Grid



Condition 2

**N=M**



**DFT specialized**

$$\omega(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{X}x_j(n-1)} f(x_j) \quad \text{where } n=1,2,\dots,N$$

Condition 1

Condition 2



**DFT Simplified Formula**

$$\omega(n) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{N}j(n-1)} f(x_j) \quad \text{where } n = 1,2,\dots,N$$

**Nyquist – Shannon Limit (N-S)**

$$\mathcal{F}[f(x)](t_n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X}{N} \omega(n)$$

$$\{t_n\}_{n=1.. \frac{N}{2}} \quad \text{for } N \text{ even}$$

$$\{t_n\}_{n=1.. \frac{N+1}{2}} \quad \text{for } N \text{ odd}$$

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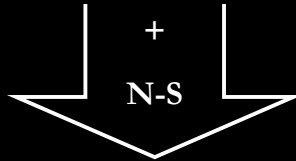


**Uniform Discretization Grids for  $f$**

1.  $f(v_{j-1}) = e^{-i(j-1)\eta[\ln S_r - b]} \Psi_0[(j-1)\eta]$
2.  $f(v_{j-1}) = e^{-i(j-1)\eta[\ln S_r - b]} \Psi_0[(j-1)\eta] \cdot [3 + (-1)^{j+1} - \delta_j - \delta_{N-j}]$

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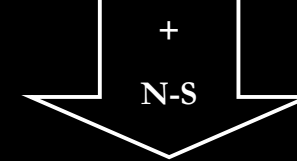
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$$C_0[\ln K]_u^- \approx \frac{e^{-\alpha[\ln S_t - b + \lambda(u-1)]}}{b} \cdot \Re(\omega(u))$$

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$$C_0[\ln K]_u^- \approx \frac{e^{-\alpha[\ln S_t - b + \lambda(u-1)]}}{3b} \cdot \Re(\omega(u))$$

### Theorems of Equivalence

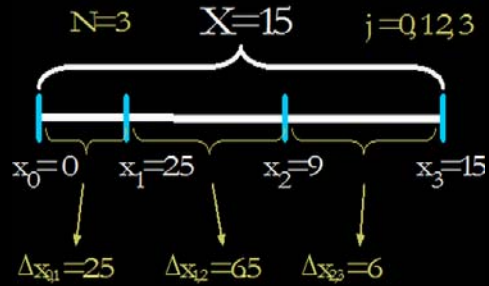


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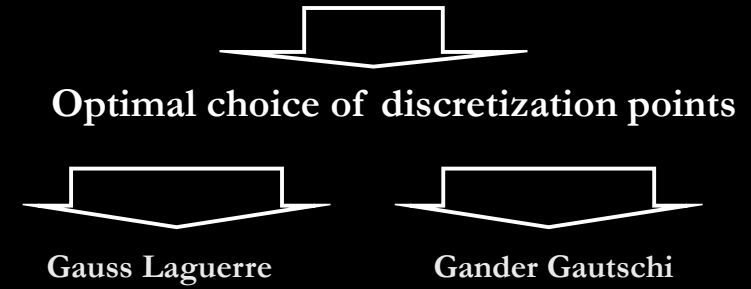
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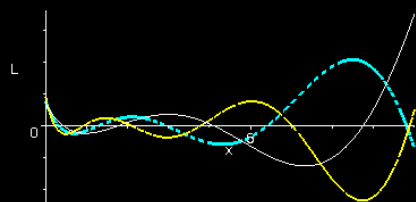
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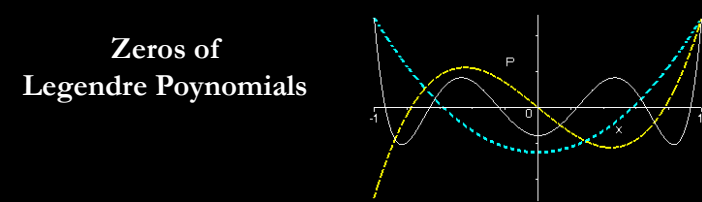
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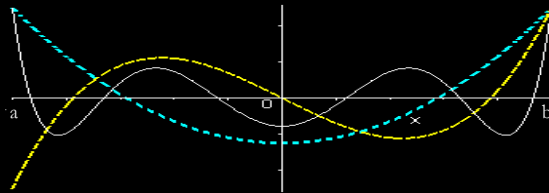
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Optimal choice of discretization points

Gander Gautschi

Zeros of rescaled Legendre Pynomials



Condition 2

$N \neq M$



General DFT

$$\omega(m) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{X} x_j (m-1)} f(x_j) \text{ where } m=1,2,\dots,2M$$

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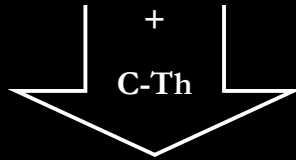


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2.  $f(\frac{1}{2}a(1+v_{j-1})) = \left[ e^{-i(\frac{1}{2}a(1+v_{j-1}))[\ln S_t - \frac{M\epsilon}{\alpha^*}]} \psi_0\left(\frac{1}{2}a(1+v_{j-1})\right) \right] \frac{1}{[P_{N-1}(v_{j-1})]^2}$

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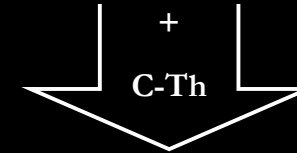
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$$C_0([\ln K]_u^*) \approx -\Re \left[ \frac{e^{-a(\ln S_t - \frac{M\pi}{a^*} + \frac{2\pi}{a^*}(u-1))}}{\pi} \frac{1}{N+1} \cdot \omega^*(u) \right]$$

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$\vec{C}_t$  via DFT

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Fast Fourier Transform Algorithms

$\vec{C}_t$  via DFT

Newton-Cotes

Uniform FFT

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Gauss

NonUniform FFT

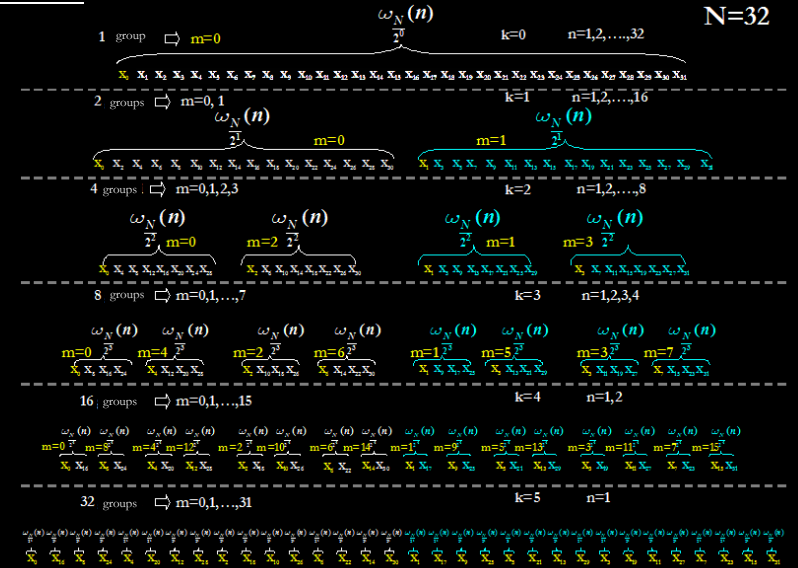
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### Cooley-Tukey DFT Characterization

$$\omega_2^m(n) = f(x_m) + W_2^{(n-1)} f(x_{m+N/2}) \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2$$

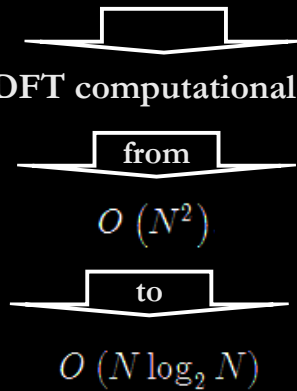
Iterated Bottom – Up for N stages

It gives the FFT Cooley – Tukey Algorithm



### FFT Cooley – Tukey Algorithm

The DFT computational cost drops



Since the Nyquist – Shannon Limit, the pricing formulas



Give accurate prices ONLY

Around the Nyquist Frequency



Approx. 25% of prices can be accepted



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Step 1

Gaussian Convolution of the non uniformly sampled characteristic function



$$f_{\tau}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} f(x_j) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x_j-x-2k\pi)^2}{4\tau}}$$

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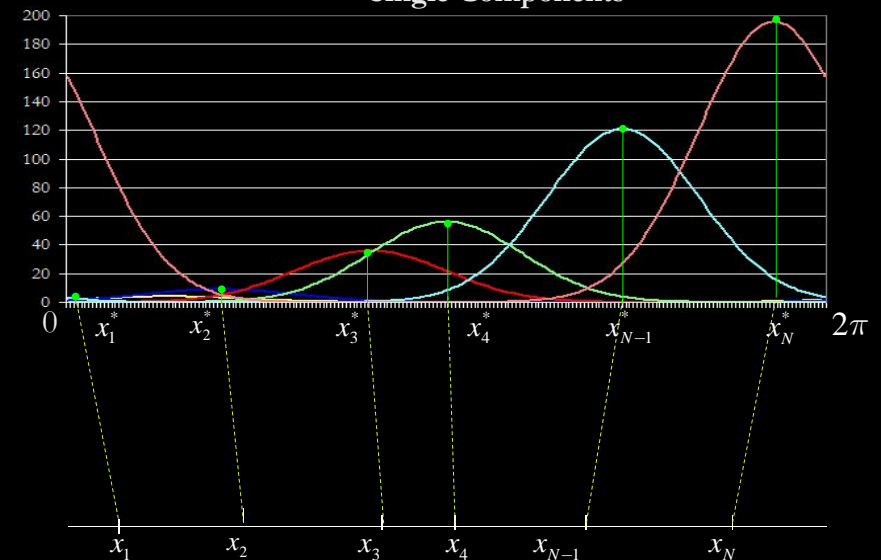
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## Single Components



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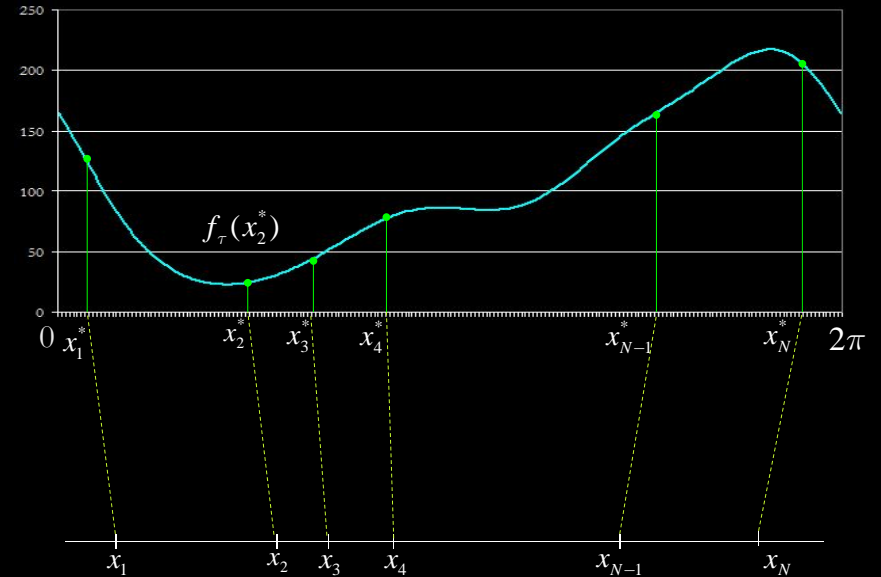
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Step 2

Discretization on an uniform oversampled grid of  $f_{\tau}(x)$

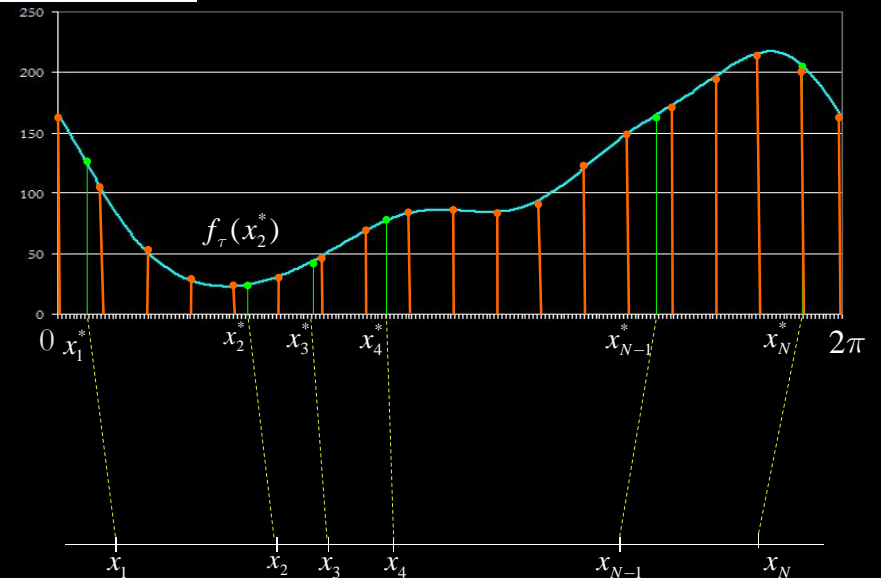


$$\tilde{f}_{\tau}(y_m) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} f(x_j) \tilde{K}(y_m, x_j, \sqrt{2\tau}; 2\pi)$$

where

$$\tilde{K}(y_m, x_j, \sqrt{2\tau}; 2\pi) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(2\pi \frac{m}{N} - 2\pi \frac{j}{N} - 2\pi k)^2}{4\tau}} \\ \text{or} \\ \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(\pi^2 - 2\pi \frac{j}{N} - 2\pi k)^2}{4\tau}} \end{cases}$$

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### Gaussian Gridding



#### Step 3

Computation of the Fourier Coefficient of  $f_\tau(x)$  discretised



$$F_\tau(n) = \lim_{M_\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{M_\tau} \sum_{m=0}^{M_\tau-1} \tilde{f}_\tau \left( m \frac{2\pi}{M_\tau} \right) e^{-im \frac{2\pi}{M_\tau} (n-1)}$$

### Gaussian Gridding



#### Step 4

NU-DFT representation of the Fourier Coefficient  $F_\tau(n)$



$$\tilde{\omega}(n) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\tau}} e^{n^2 \tau} F_\tau(n)$$

### Gaussian Gridding



#### Step 5

DFT representation of the Fourier Coefficient  $F_\tau(n)$



$$F_\tau(n) = \lim_{M_\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{M_\tau} \omega(n)$$

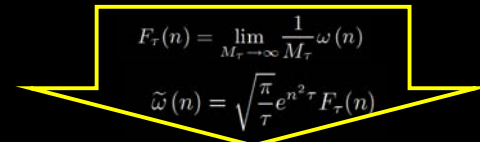
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#### Step 6

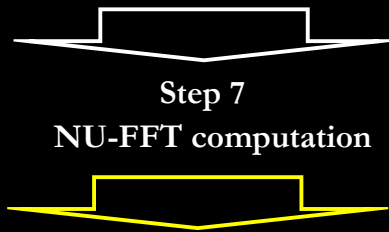
NU-DFT derivation as a function of DFT



$$\tilde{\omega}(n) = \lim_{M_\tau \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\tau^*}} e^{n^2 \tau^*} \frac{1}{M_\tau} \omega(n)$$

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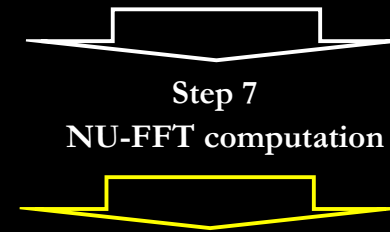
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## Computational Cost



The major computational cost of the Procedure is the FFT on the oversampled grid

Choosing the oversampling ratio

$$M_\tau = 2M$$

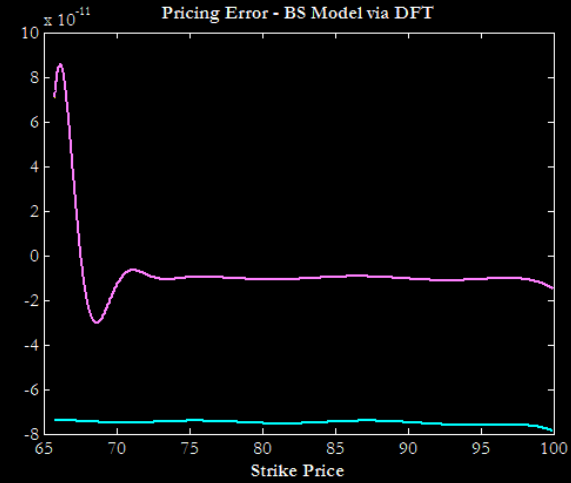


The total cost of the procedure is  $\approx 2M \log 2M$

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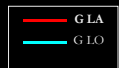
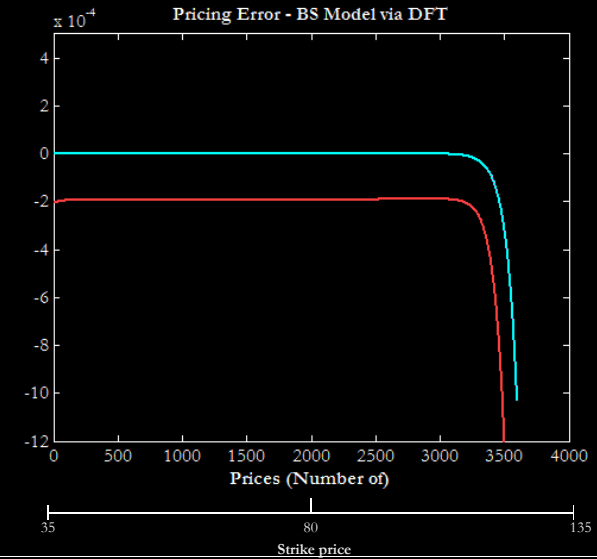
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# ACCURACY



2000 Prices computed

# STABILITY



## STABILITY

The error of **90%** of prices  
computed lies in the

$10^{-3}$

**RANGE OF PRECISION**

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# SPEED



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## SPEED

the NU – FFT is around  
**2** time slower than FFT

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## SPEED

At very low time scales, the  
differences **disappear**

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At very low time scales, the differences **disappear**

<b>FFT</b>	<small>NC2</small>	<small>G - LA</small>	<small>G - LO</small>
	<b>0.01 sec.</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>NU - FFT</b>	<small>NC2</small>	<small>G - LA</small>	<small>G - LO</small>
	<b>0.02 sec.</b>	<b>0.0261 sec.</b>	<b>0.0301 sec.</b>

Computation of 4000 prices on a Centrino 1600Mhz – 2gb  
RAM  
Mean Value over 1000 runs

Conclusions

- NU - FFT allows the use of Gaussian Grids
- NU - FFT is indifferent to Nyquist \_Shannon Limit
- NU - FFT is at least as accurate as FFT
- NU - FFT is more stable than FFT
- **NU - FFT speed performances are indistinguishable from FFT's ones**

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