



# **Who is Julia, what is she?**

- Started at MIT 2010, mainly seen then as scientific language
- Open-source in 2012 where it's flexibility lead to application in many other fields
- Consists of a Base which is written in Julia
- Base contains all of "numpy", part of "scipy"
- Much of rest is implemented in packages:
  - StatsBase
  - MultivariateStats
  - KernelDensity / KernelEstimator
  - Dataframes
  - RDatasets
  - GLM
  - Lora / MCMC
  - Clustering

## **Groups:**

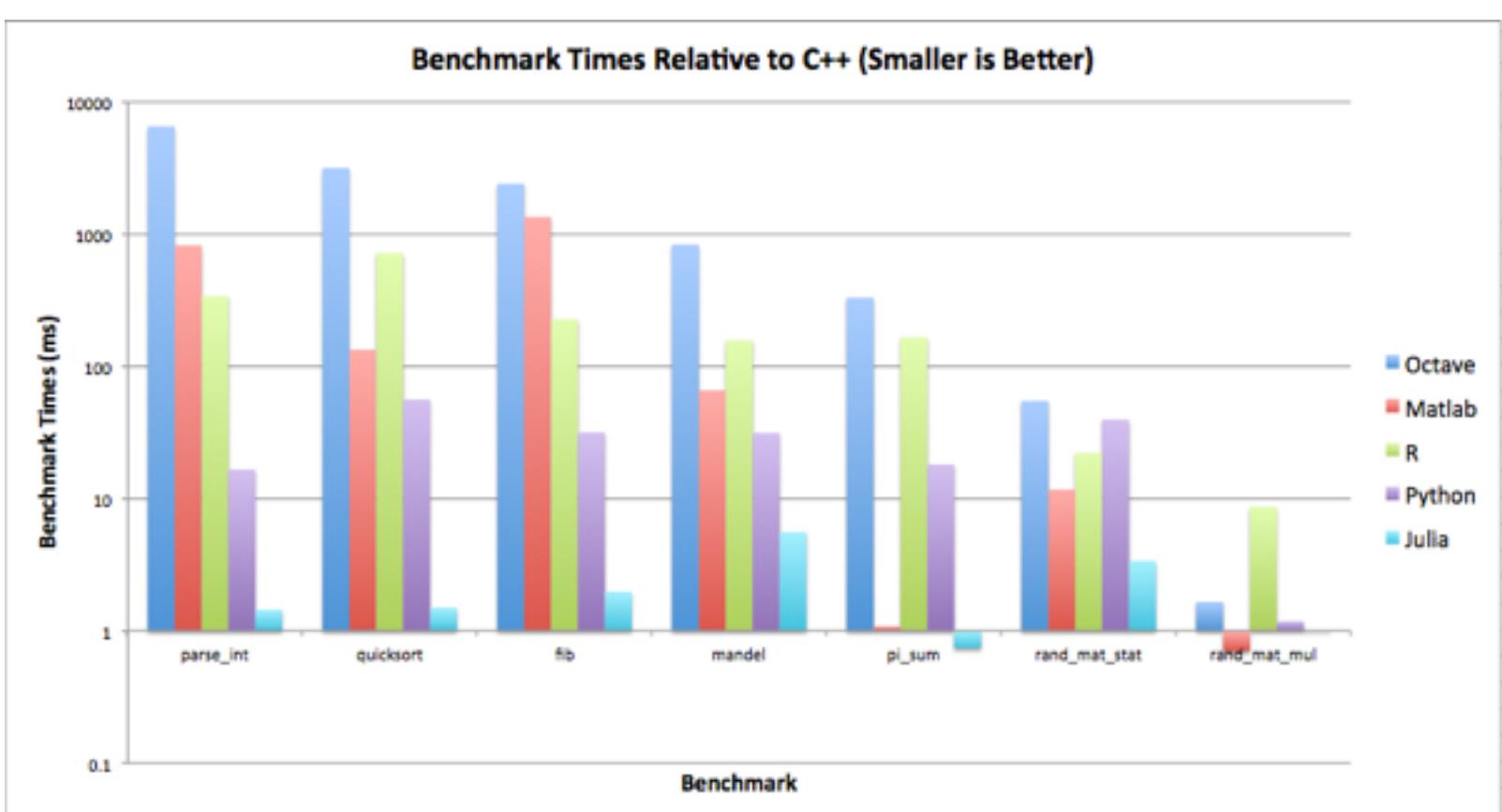
**JuliaStats, JuliaOpt, JuliaWeb, JuliaQuant, JuliaFinMetriX**

**JuliaQuant group includes packages such as :**

- TimeSeries
- MarketData
- MarketTechnicals
- Quandl
- Ito
- GARCH

## **Why is Julia special?**

- Julia is written in Julia, down to its cotton socks
- Uses LLVM / JIT compilation
- Homoiconic design: runtime macros
- Code is uncluttered
- Analysts => developers while remaining within Julia
- Written with parallelism in mind
- Spawns tasks, runs asynchronously
- Can connect with modules / libraries in other programming languages



## Interoperability with other languages

- C / Fortran : Built-in to BASE with NO overhead
- Java : JavaCall.jl
- C++ : Cpp.jl, Cxx.jl
- R : RIF.jl, RCall.jl
- Python: PyCall.jl, PyPlot.jl, IJulia.jl, PyJulia.jl
- MATLAB: Matlab.jl, MATLABCluster.jl

In [17] :

```
using PyCall, PyPlot
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In [18] :

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using PyCall
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```
@pyimport numpy as np
@pyimport numpy.random as nr
```

```
S0 = 100.0;
K = 105.0;
T = 1.0;
r = 0.05;
σ = 0.2;
```

In [19]:

```
N = 100000;
w = nr.standard_normal(N);

ST = S0*np.exp((r - 0.5*σ*σ)*T + σ*np.sqrt(T)*w);
hT = np.maximum(ST - K, 0);

C0 = np.exp(-r*T) * np.sum(hT)/N;
@printf "Price of %s option is %6.3f\n" "Call" C0
```

Price of Call option is 7.987

In [20]:

```
macroexpand(:(@printf "Price of %s option is %6.3f\n" "Call" C0))
```

Out[20]:

```
quote
#1176#out = Base.Printf.STDOUT
#1177###x#8528 = "Call"
#1178###x#8529 = C0
local #1183#neg, #1182#pt, #1181#len, #1175#exp, #1179#do_out, #1180#args
Base.Printf.write(#1176#out,"Price of ")
begin
    Base.Printf.print(#1176#out,#1177###x#8528)
end
Base.Printf.write(#1176#out," option is ")
if Base.Printf.isfinite(#1178###x#8529)
    (#1179#do_out,#1180#args) = Base.Printf.fix_dec(#1176#out,#1178###x#8529,"",6,3,'f')
    if #1179#do_out
        (#1181#len,#1182#pt,#1183#neg) = #1180#args
        (Base.Printf.-.(Base.Printf.-.(2,if (#1182#pt Base.Printf.> 0)
                                         #1182#pt
                                         else
                                         1
                                         end),#1183#neg) Base.Printf.> 0) && Base.Printf.write(#1176#out,' ')
        #1183#neg && Base.Printf.write(#1176#out,'-')
        Base.Printf.print_fixed(#1176#out,3,#1182#pt,#1181#len)
    end
else
    Base.Printf.write(#1176#out,begin # printf.jl, line 143:
                      if Base.Printf.isnan(#1178###x#8529)
                          "      NaN"
                      else
                          if (#1178###x#8529 Base.Printf.< 0)
                              "      -Inf"
                          else
                              "      Inf"
                          end
                      end
                  end)
    end
Base.Printf.write(#1176#out,'\n')
Base.Printf.nothing
end
```

In [21]:

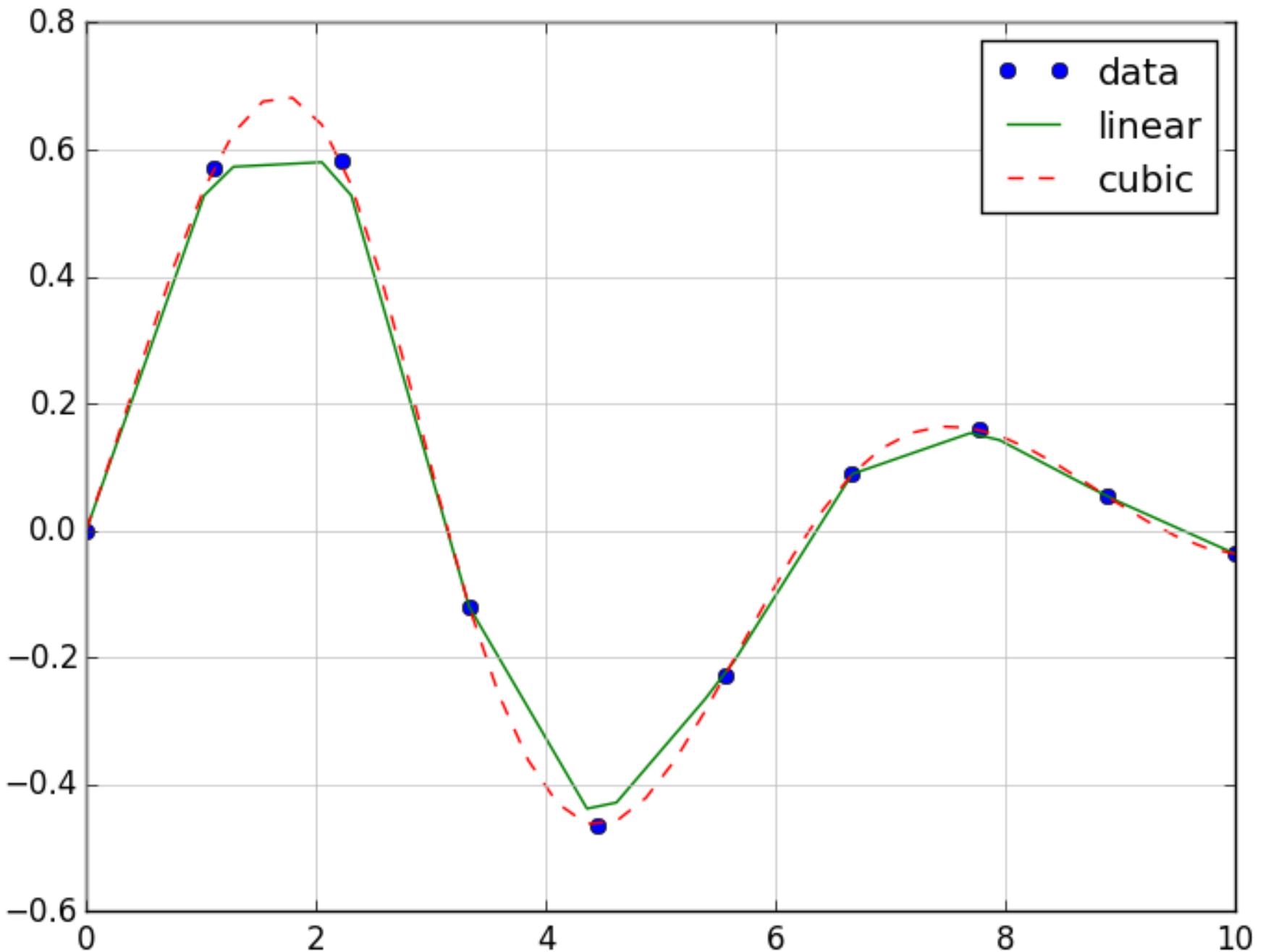
```
using PyPlot

@pyimport scipy.interpolate as spi
x = linspace(0,10,10);
y = x .* exp(-0.5x) .* sin(x);
f1 = spi.interp1d(x, y);
f2 = spi.interp1d(x, y, kind="cubic");
```

In [22]:

```
xx = linspace(0,10,40);
y1 = pycall(f1,PyAny,xx);
y2 = pycall(f2,PyAny,xx);

plot(x,y,"o",xx,y1,"-", xx, y2,"--");
legend(["data", "linear", "cubic"], loc="best");
```



In [ ]:

In [26]:

```
using PyPlot
```

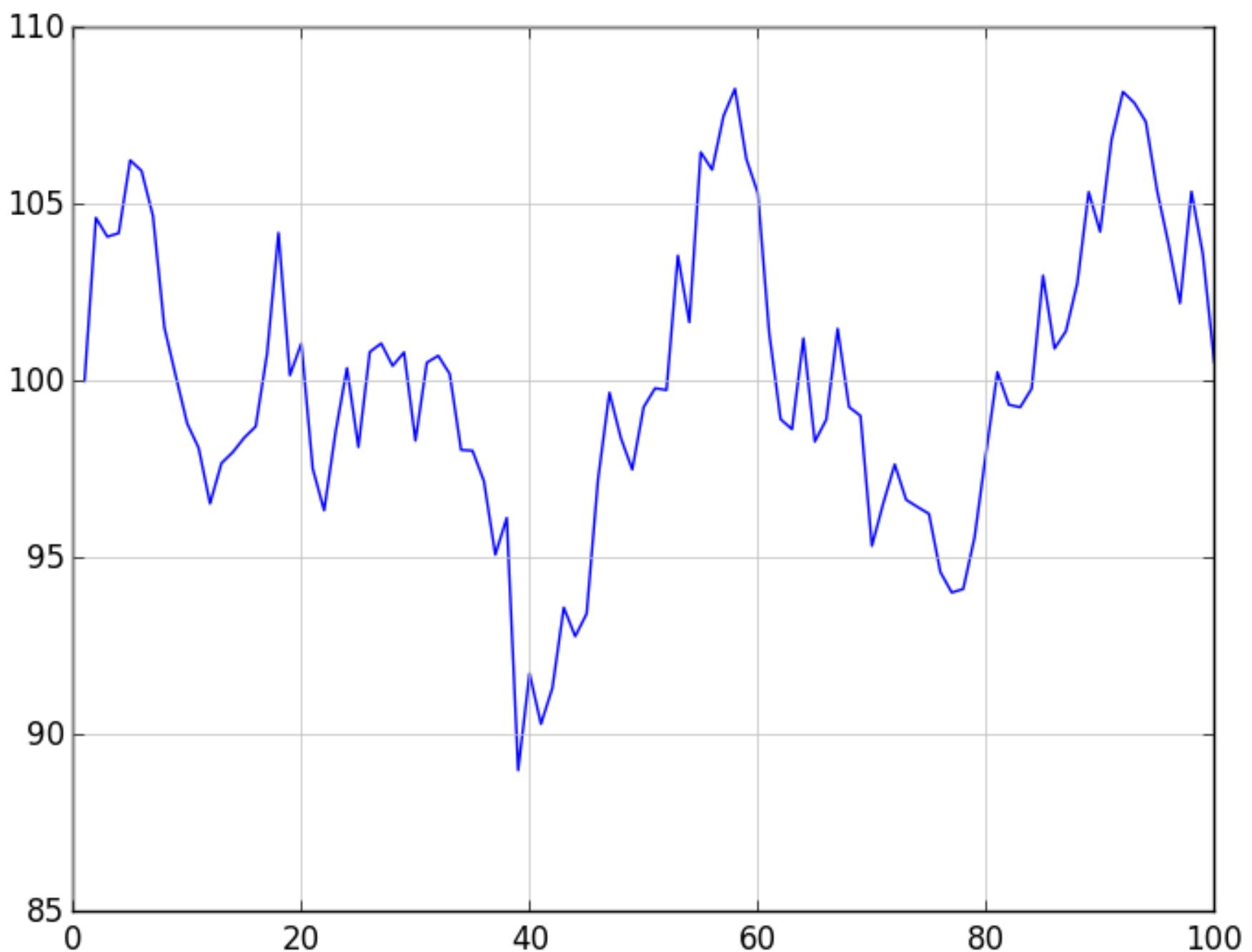
```
T = 100;
S0 = 100;
dt = 0.01;
v = 0.2;
r = 0.05;
q = 0.0;

x = linspace(1,T);
S = zeros(Float64,T)
S[1] = S0;

iseed = ccall( (:clock, "libc"), Int32, () );
srand(iseed);

dW = randn(T)*sqrt(dt);
[ S[t] = S[t-1] * (1 + (r - q - 0.5*v*v)*dt + v*dW[t] + 0.5*v*v*dW[t]*dW[t]) for t=2:T ]

plot(x,S)
```



Out[26]:

```
1-element Array{Any,1}:
PyObject <matplotlib.lines.Line2D object at 0x1208ab910>
```

In [27]:

```
function asianOpt(N = 10000; S0=100.0, K=100.0)

# European Asian option.
# Euler and Milstein discretization for Black-Scholes.

r    = 0.05;      # Risk free rate
q    = 0.0;       # Dividend yield
v    = 0.2;       # Volatility
tma = 0.25;      # Time to maturity

T = 100;          # Number of time steps
dt = tma/T;      # Time increment

S = zeros(Float64,T);
A = zeros(Float64,N);

for n = 1:N
    S[1] = S0
    dW = randn(T)*sqrt(dt);
    for t = 2:T
        z0 = (r - q - 0.5*v*v)*S[t-1]*dt;
        z1 = v*S[t-1]*dW[t];
        z2 = 0.5*v*v*S[t-1]*dW[t]*dW[t];
        S[t] = S[t-1] + z0 + z1 + z2;
    end
    A[n] = mean(S);
end

# Define the payoff and calculate price

P = zeros(Float64,N);
[ P[n] = max(A[n] - K, 0) for n = 1:N ];
price = exp(-r*tma)*mean(P);

end
```

Out[27]:

```
asianOpt (generic function with 2 methods)
```

In [28]:

```
@printf "Option Price: %10.4f\n\n" asianOpt(K = 102.0);
```

```
Option Price:      1.6600
```

In [29]:

```
runs = 1000000
tm = @elapsed asianOpt(runs, K=102.0)
@printf "Elapsed time for %d runs is %7.4f sec.\n\n" runs tm
```

Elapsed time for 1000000 runs is 3.5874 sec.

## Results for 100,000 runs of 100 steps, ( $c \sim 0.73$ )

Language	Timing (c=1)	Asian Option
c	1.0	1.681
julia	1.41	1.680
python (v3)	32.67	1.671
R	154.3	1.646
Octave	789.3	1.632

Samsung RV711 laptop with a 2.53 GHz i5 processor and 4Gb RAM on Centos 6.5

In [31]:

```
macroexpand(:(@elapsed asianOpt(runs, K=102.0)))
```

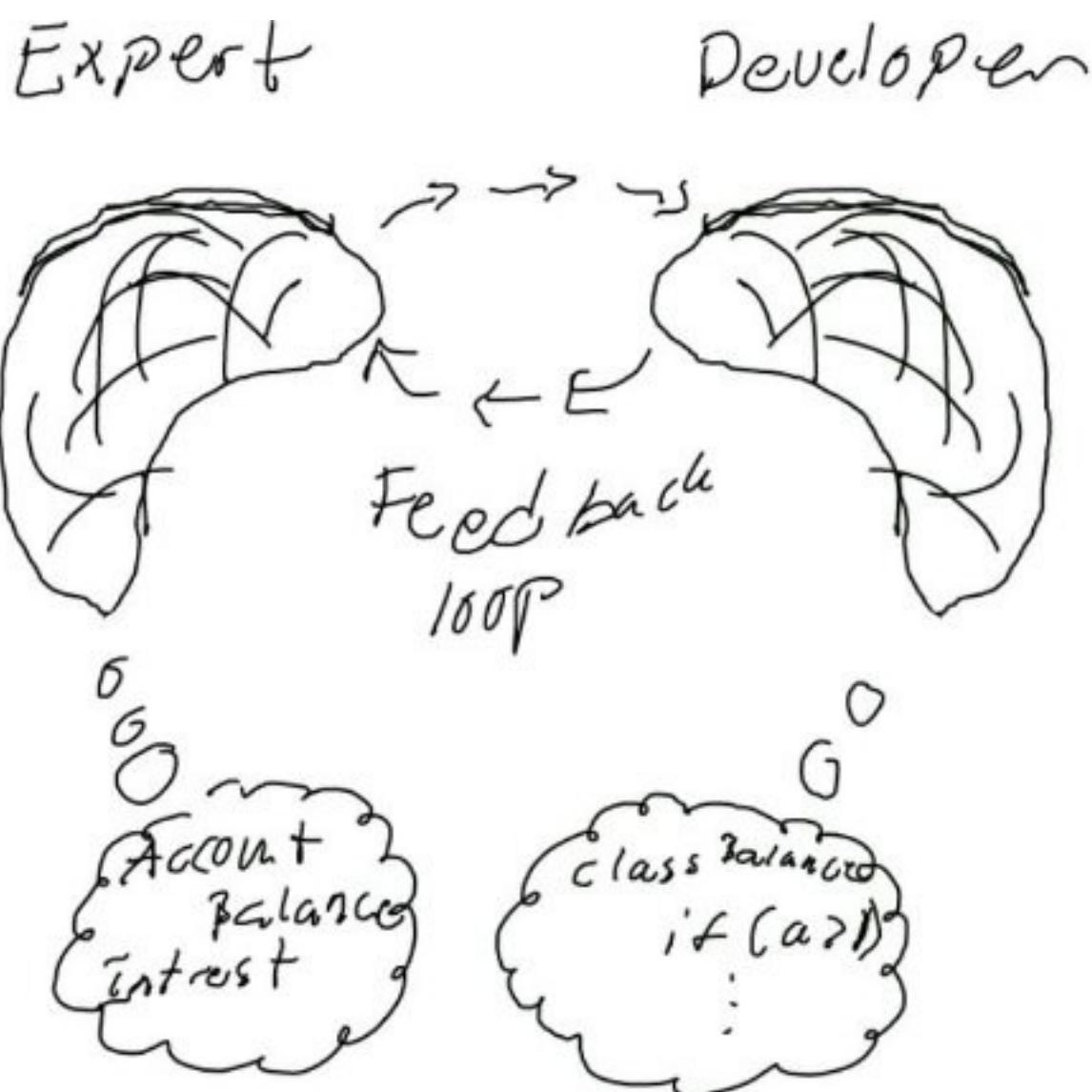
Out[31]:

```
quote # util.jl, line 68:
    local #1206#t0 = Base.time_ns() # line 69:
    local #1207#val = asianOpt(runs,K=102.0) # line 70:
    Base./ (Base.-(Base.time_ns(),#1206#t0),1.0e9)
end
```

In []:

```
macroexpand(:(@printf "Elapsed time for %d simulations is %7.3f sec.\n\n" runs
tm ))
```

In []:



## PyJulia adds a Python 'julia' module

Get source from [github](#) and use **setup.py**

```
Pkg.add("pyjulia")
```

```
cd ~/.julia/v0.3/pyjulia
python setup.py install
```

## Speeding up Python execution times

```
$ python
Python 2.7.9 |Anaconda 2.1.0 (x86_64)
[GCC 4.2.1 (Apple Inc. build 5577)] on darwin

>>> import time as tm
>>> start = tm.time()
>>> asianOpt(1000000,K=102.0)
1.6409
>>> print 'It took', tm.time()-start, 'seconds.'
It took 77.332 seconds.

>>> import julia
>>> jl = julia.Julia()

>>> print jl.bessely0(1.5)
0.3824489237977

>>> import numpy as np
>>> print np.sin(0.5) * jl.bessely0(1.5)
0.1833557812803

>>> jl.require("asian-opt")
>>> jl.asianOpt()
AttributeError: 'Julia' object has no attribute 'asianOpt'

>>> jl.eval("asianOpt(1000000,K=102.0)")
1.6775348594420794

>>> jl.eval("@elapsed asianOpt(1000000,K=102.0)")
3.146388532
```

In [ ]:

```
$ more myfinx.py
```

```
import datetime
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.colors as colors
import matplotlib.finance as finance
import matplotlib.dates as mdates
import matplotlib.ticker as mticker
import matplotlib.mlab as mlab
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.font_manager as font_manager

def moving_average(x, n, type='simple'):
    """
    compute an n period moving average.
    type is 'simple' | 'exponential'
    """
    pass

def relative_strength(prices, n=14):
    """
    compute the n period relative strength indicator
    http://stockcharts.com/school/doku.php?id=chart_school:glossary_r#relativestrengthindex
    http://www.investopedia.com/terms/r/rsi.asp
    """
    pass

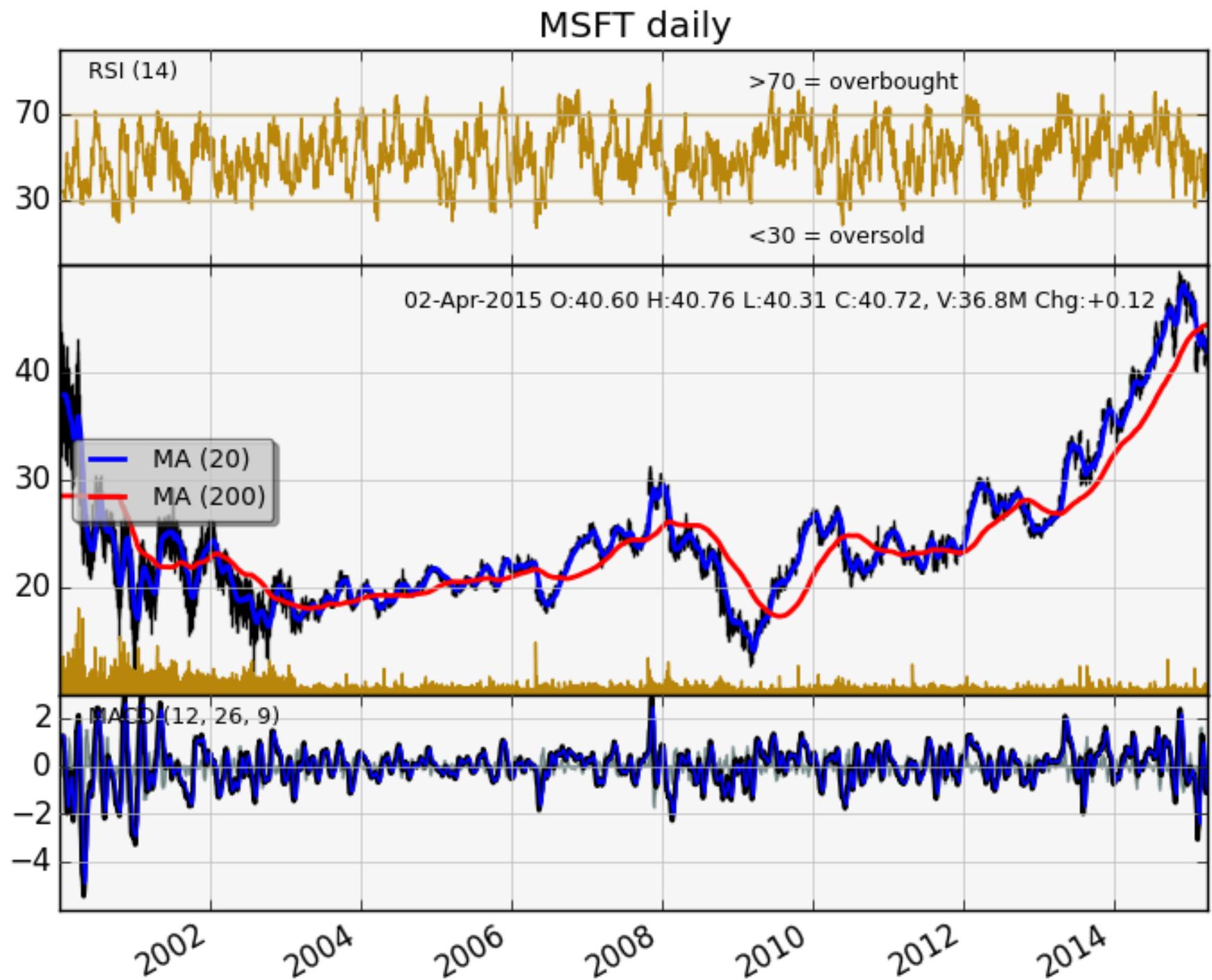
def moving_average_convergence(x, nslow=26, nfast=12):
    """
    compute the MACD (Moving Average Convergence/Divergence) using a fast and slow exponential moving avg'
    return value is emaslow, emafast, macd which are len(x) arrays
    """
    pass

def run(ticker):
    startdate = datetime.date(2000,1,1)
    today = enddate = datetime.date.today()
    .....
    .....
    .....
    plt.show()
```

In [32]:

```
using PyCall
```

```
@pyimport myfinx as fx  
fx.run("MSFT")
```





- Julia Main Page : <http://www.julialang.org> (<http://www.julialang.org>)
- Julia Wiki Book : [https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Introducing\\_Julia](https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Introducing_Julia) ([https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Introducing\\_Julia](https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Introducing_Julia))
- London Julia UG : <http://londonjulia.org> (<http://londonjulia.org>)
- JuliaStats Group : <http://JuliaStats.org> (<http://JuliaStats.org>)
- JuliaOpt Group : <http://JuliaOpt.org> (<http://JuliaOpt.org>)
- JuliaQuant Group : <https://github.com/JuliaQuant> (<https://github.com/JuliaQuant>)
- JuliaFinMetriX : <https://github.com/JuliaFinMetriX> (<https://github.com/JuliaFinMetriX>)
- JuliaEconomics : <http://juliaeconomics.com/tutorials> (<http://juliaeconomics.com/tutorials>)
- Quant-Econ.net : <http://quant-econ.net> (<http://quant-econ.net>)
- Steven Johnson EuroSciPy 2014 Keynote Speech : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhlVHoeB05A> (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhlVHoeB05A>)
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