

Lab Assignment - 10

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1 Due date:

- 3/3/2013.

2 Notes:

- Make a proper documentation preferably in latex or using some other software and submit the printout of the report in .pdf form.
- Each student needs to write his/ her own solutions, even though discussions of the assignments between students are encouraged.

3 Assignments:

a financial asset. The process $\{S(t)\}$ is a GBM with drift parameter μ , volatility parameter σ , and initial value $S(0)$ if

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp\left(\left[\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right]t + \sigma W(t)\right).$$

where $\{W(t)\}$ is a standard BM. As with the case of a BM, we have a simple recursive procedure to simulate a GBM at $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots t_n$ as

$$S(t_{i+1}) = S(t_i) \exp\left(\left[\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right](t_{i+1} - t_i) + \sigma\sqrt{t_{i+1} - t_i}Z_{i+1}\right)$$

where Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n are independent $N(0, 1)$ variates. In the interval $[0, 5]$, taking both positive and negative values for μ and for at least two different values of σ^2 , simulate and plot at least 10 sample paths of the GBM (taking sufficiently large number of sample points for each path). Also, by generating a large number of sample paths, compare the actual and simulated distributions of $S(5)$. Calculate expectation and variance of $S(5)$ and match it with the theoretical values.