# Computational Finance

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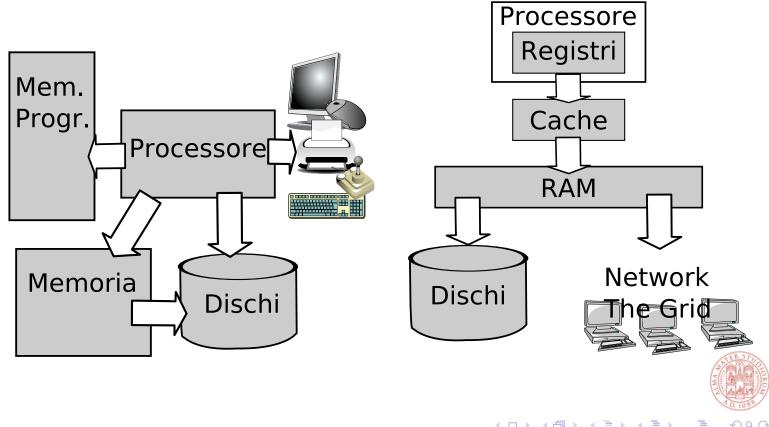


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## Struttura degli elaboratori



#### Algoritmo

- **Algoritmo**: descrizione dettagliata e chiara dei passi necessari per trasformare un dato insieme di "input" in particolare insieme di "output".
- Etimologia: Abu Abdullah Muhammad bin Musa "al-Khwarizmi", Astronomo e matematico, nato a Bagdad nel 780AC.
   Sviluppo' metodi per l'aritmetica nel "nuovo" sistema Indo-Arabico



- Linguaggio: Permette di rendere non ambiguo un algoritmo.
- Sintassi: insieme di regole che definiscono un particolare linguaggio.
- Programma: implementazione di un particolora algoritmo in un particolare linguaggio



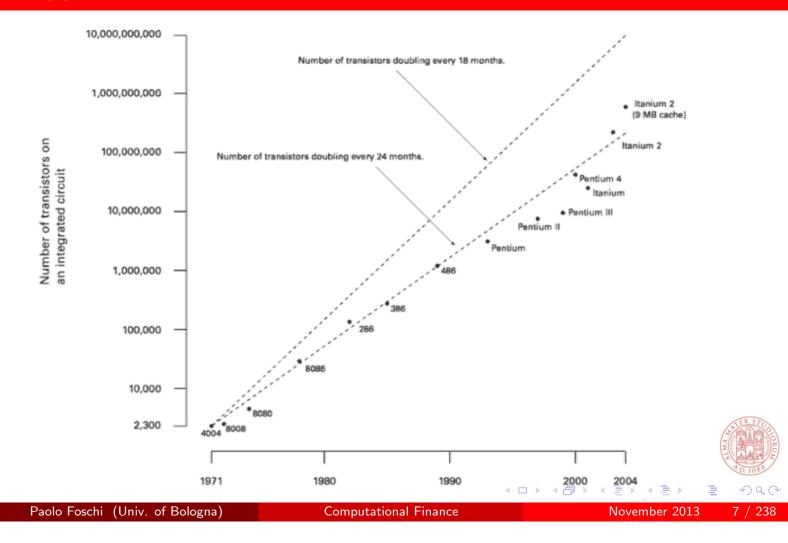
#### Complessità

- Complessità: Dimensione del problema → tempo di esecuzione, (o spazio di memoria utilizzato)
- La complessitá viene espressa con valori asintotici:
  - Ordinamento: complessitá  $O(n \log(n))$
  - Risoluzione sistema di eq. lineari:  $\leq O(n^3)$
  - Calcolo del prezzo di un'opzione in un modello binomiale:  $O(n^2)$
  - Commesso Viaggiatore:  $O(2^n)$ : non polinomiale
- Complessità non polinomiali:
  - n=20:  $2^{20}\simeq 10^6~{
    m sec}\simeq 300~{
    m ore}\simeq 12~{
    m giorni}$
  - n = 21:  $2^{21} \simeq 24$  giorni
  - n = 22:  $2^{22} \simeq 48$  giorni
  - n=25:  $2^{23}\simeq 388$  giorni  $\simeq 1$  anno
  - E se utilizzassi/aspettassi un computer piú potente.
- Il problema di sapere se un dato programma termina o meno è non decidibile:
  - se termina lo si puó sapere in un tempo finito,



#### Problemi, Algoritmi, Complessità ed Errori

# Legge di Moore



#### Errori di arrotondamento

- Ogni numero reale viene rappresentato come una sequenza di cifre di lunghezza fissa.
- Floating point = numero a virgola fissa + esponente (notazione esponenziale).
- Esempi:

12.3	$0.123 \times 10^{2}$	+	1	2	3	0	+	2
-0.005279	$-0.5279 \times 10^{-4}$	_	5	2	7	9	_	4

•  $1+0.0005=1.0005\simeq 1$ , errore del 0.05%  $1.0005 \cdot .10005 \times 10^1 + 1 0 0 0 + 1$ 



#### Errori di arrotondamento

• Problema: calcolare la somma 1 + 0.0004 - .9999 (= .5)Algoritmo: calcolare la somma 1 + 0.0004, sommare al risultato -.9999

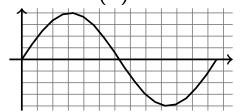
Risultato: .0001 Errore: 80%

- Double precision: mantissa 52 cifre binarie (16 decimali) + 9 cifre binarie per l'esponente.
- Puó essere un problema se si devono sommare migliaia di numeri.



## Discretizzazione: errori di approssimazione

• Calcolare la lunghezza della curva sin(x) da x=0 a  $x=2\pi$ 



 Approsimazione con una sequenza di corde.

 $3 \text{ corde} \rightarrow 4.742$ 



4 corde  $\rightarrow$  5.086



 $5 \text{ corde} \rightarrow 5.064$ 



 $10 \hspace{0.1cm} \mathsf{corde} \rightarrow 5.215 \\ 100 \hspace{0.1cm} \mathsf{corde} \rightarrow 5.2698$ 

 $1000 \text{ corde} \rightarrow 5.2704$ 



## Algoritmi randomizzati

- Molti algoritmi euristici utilizzano numeri casuali per "sondare" lo spazio delle possibili soluzioni
- Esempi: monte carlo, algoritmi genetici, simulated annealing, ant colonies, etc...
- A parità di input, la soluzione trovata è diversa ad ogni esecuzione del programma
- In realtà i computer non generano numeri casuali, ma pseudo causali:
  - sequenze deterministiche che sembrano casuali (hanno quasi gli stessi momenti)
  - il "seed" è il valore iniziale di una sequenza di numeri (pseudo)-casuali



#### L'ambiente Matlab

#### Cos'è Matlab

Matlab è un ambiente Rapid Application Development (RAD) per il calcolo scientifico, la grafica e visualizzazione.

Matlab fornisce strumenti per:

- Calcolo numerico
- Analisi dei dati e visualizzazione
- Ingegneria e grafica scientifica
- Modellazione e simulazione di processi
- Programmazione e sviluppo di applicazioni
- Altri Toolbox



#### L'ambiente Matlab

## Perchè Matlab in questo corso

- Pro:
  - ha un linguaggio di programmazione
  - è interpretato ed ha un ambiente per il testing
  - y = Ax si calcola o si risolve scrivendo al più 5 caratteri
  - se dovutamente utilizzato è molto efficiente
  - la finanza computazionale non è altro che calcolo scientifico
- Contro:
  - strutture dati
  - in molte banche italiane si usa Visual Basic/Excel
  - è costoso (per un privato)
- Alternative open source: Scilab, Octave, R, Python, C++, C#
- Per la Finanza: R-metrics e Quantlib





#### Variabili

- Una variabile associa ad particolare nome un valore.
- Ad ogni variabile è associata una zona di memoria che contiene il valore della variabile.
- Esistono diversi **tipi** di valori: Numeri Interi, Numeri Reali, Numeri Complessi, Vettori di  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , sequenze di caratteri, funzioni da  $\mathbb{R}^n$  a  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , etc...
- **Dichiarare** o **Definire** una variabile equivale a riservare una particolare zona di memoria per il valore che la variabile conterrà.
- Assegnare un valore ad una variabile consiste nel porre tale valore nella corrispondente di memoria.
- In "Pascal", "C/C++" e "Java" le variabili devono essere dichiarate prima di essere utilizzate e non possono cambiare tipo.
- In "Basic", "Fortran", "Matlab" ed "R" la dichiarazione è implicita nel primo assegnamento ed il tipo della variabile può variare in base al dato assegnato.

## Istruzioni di Assegnamento

- Sintassi: <nome variabile> = <espressione>
- Semantica: metti nella variabile <nome variabile> il risultato di <espressione>
- Esempi:

```
x = 3;

y = x + 2;

y = 2*y;

z = 1/(2*pi)*exp(-x^2/2);
```

- I-values: Variabili a SX dell'assegnamento
- r-values: Variabili a DX dell'=
- Ricorda...
  - x=expr è un'azione, non è un equazione.
  - Gli r-values devono essere già stati inizializzati (devono esistere).



#### Scripts

- Uno "script" è un file .m contenente una sequenza di comandi matlab
- Equivale a digitare gli stessi comandi nella "command window"
- Esempio:

```
a=1; b=-3; c=2;
d = b^2 - 4*a*c;
x1 = (-b-sqrt(d))/(2*a);
x2 = (-b+sqrt(d))/(2*a);
```

- Viene eseguito digitando il nome del file nella command window
- In matlab le istruzioni possono essere separate da ";", "," o da capo riga



#### Input

- Sintassi: <var.> = input( <stringa messaggio> )
- Semantica: visualizza il messaggio, attendi che l'utente inserisca un valore numerico e ritorna tale valore.
- Esempio: c = input('Inserisci\_la\_costante');
- Esempio script:

```
% Risolvi eq. di 2^ grado
a = input('Inserireua:u');
b = input('Inserireub:u');
c = input('Inserireuc:u');
d = b^2 - 4*a*c;
x1 = (-b-sqrt(d))/(2*a);
x2 = (-b+sqrt(d))/(2*a);
```

• Input grafico: x,y = ginput(1);



#### Output

- Sintassi: disp( <expr> )
- Semantica: visualizza il risultato di <expr>> nella command window.
- Sintassi: fprintf(<fmt>, <expr1>, <expr2>, ..)
- Semantica: visualizza il risultato delle espressioni <expr1>, <expr2>,
  etc... secondo quanto prescritto dalla stringa <fmt>
- Esempio:

```
% Risolvi eq. di 2^ grado
a = input('Inserire_ua:_u');
b = input('Inserire_ub:_u');
c = input('Inserire_uc:_u');
d = b^2 - 4*a*c;
x1 = (-b-sqrt(d))/(2*a);
x2 = (-b+sqrt(d))/(2*a);
fprintf('Le_uradici_usono:_u%g,_u%g\n',x1, x2);
```

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Controllo dell'esecuzione

#### If-then-else

Sintassi:

```
if <expr1>
     <statement 1>
else
     <statement 2>
end
```

- Semantica: se <expr1> è vera esegui <statement 1> altrimenti esegui <statement 2>.
- Esempio:

# Operatori e Funzioni Built-in

- Funzioni Built-in
  - Funzioni trigonometriche: sin, cos, tan, asin, acos, atan.
  - Esponenziali: exp, log, log2, log10.
  - Arrotondamento: floor, ceil, round, fix, mod, rem
  - max, min, abs, sign
  - Numeri casuali: rand, randn
- Operatori
  - Operatori aritmetici: +, -, /, \ , \*
  - Operatori relazionali: ==, <, >, <=, >=, ~=.
  - Operatori logici: ~ (not), & (and), | (or).

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T	Т	F	Т
F	F	F	F

• Algebra: ~(a & b) ≡ (~a) | (~b)



## Cicli for

• Per ripetere qualcosa N volte:

```
for i=1:N
    <statement>
end
```

Semantica:

```
i=1, <statement>
i=2, <statement>
...
i=N, <statement>
```

• Il contatore i è una variabile a tutti gli effetti



## Cicli for

• Esempio: Somma dei primi №=100 numeri:

```
N = 100; somma = 0;
for j=1:N
   somma = somma+j;
end
```

• Ciclo for tipico:

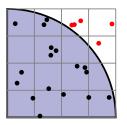
```
for i = first:by:last
    <statement>
end
```

- Assegna ad i in sequenza first, first+by, first+2\*by, etc.. fino al raggiungimento del valore last.
- Esempio:

## Esempio: calcolo di $\pi$

- $x, y \sim \text{unif}(0, 1)$  e indipendenti.
- $P[x^2 + y^2 \le 1] = \pi/4$

```
dentro=0;
for i=1:N
   x = rand;   y = rand;
   if (x^2+y^2<=1)
      dentro=dentro+1;
   end
end
my_pi = dentro/N*4;</pre>
```





#### Il ciclo While

• Per ripetere finché una tale condizione rimane vera

Semantica:

```
Esegui le istruzioni <init>
Valuta <expr>, se falsa vai ad end
esegui <statement>
valuta <expr>, se falsa vai ad end
esegui <statement>
...
```

• Il while cicla per vero

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## Cicli for e while

• Ogni ciclo for può essere espresso con un ciclo while

```
dentro=0;
i=1;
while (i<=N)
    x = rand;    y = rand;
    if (x^2+y^2<=1)
        dentro=dentro+1;
    end
    i=i+1;
end
pi_greco = dentro/N*4;</pre>
```



#### Analisi top-down

- Spesso conviene un problema complesso in sottoproblemi piú semplici
- Analisi top-down: da un'analisi grossolana si arriva fino ai minimi dettagli
- Problema: ricerca in elenco telefonico.
  - cerca cittá:
    - scegli una pagina leggi cittá confronta due parole
  - cerca cognome:
    - scegli pagina e riga leggi cognome confronta due parole
  - cerca nome:
    - scegli pagina e riga leggi nome confronta due parole





#### **Funzioni**

- Alcuni sottoproblemi possono presentarsi piú volte o essere parte dell'analisi di altri problemi
- Ogni sottoproblema è risolto da un sottoprogramma: funzione
- Come i programmi i le funzioni associano a particolari input i dovuti output
- Le funzioni devono essere progettate e utilizzate come scatole nere, di cui si conosce il funzionamento e le caratteristiche (specifiche) ma non il contenuto (implementazione).
- Interagiscono con l'esterno solo tramite le variabili di input e quelle di output.
- In questo modo si potrá cambiare l'implementazione di una funzione senza alterare il comportamento del programma che le utilizza.
- Librerie: insieme di funzioni di utilizzo frequente



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Funzioni

#### **Funzioni**

Sintassi:

```
function <output> = <name> ( <in1>, <in2>, ...)
% Post: proprieta' variabili di output
% Pre: proprieta' che devono avere le
% variabili di input
<statements>
```

- Ogni funzione è contenuta in un file .m dello stesso nome
- Esempio:

```
function y = mynormcdf(x)
% y = phi(x)
% calcola la funzione cumulativa della
% distribuzione normale standard

y = erfc( -x/sqrt(2))/2;

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```

Funzioni

#### Exercise (Prezzo Zero Coupon Bond)

Scrivere una funzione 'ZCB' che calcoli il prezzo P al tempo t di uno Zero Coupon Bond con scadenza T e tasso composto R:

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$$P = \frac{100}{(1+R)^{T-t}}$$

function p = zcb(t,T,r)
% p = zcb(t,T,r)
%
% Compute the value at t of a ZCB with maturity T and
% rate (composite) r

p = 100/(1+r)^(T-t);



zcb.m



Funzioni

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Scrivere una funzione 'CB' che calcoli il prezzo P al tempo t di un Coupon Bond con scadenza T, tasso composto R, che paga una cedola postcipata c ad intervalli dt

$$B = P(t, T) + \frac{c}{100}P(t, T) + \frac{c}{100}P(t, T - dt) + \dots + \frac{c}{100}P(t, T - ndt)$$
  
 $n = \lceil \frac{T - t}{dt} \rceil$ 





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#### Exercise (Black and Scholes Formula)

Scrivere una funzione che calcoli il prezzo C di una call utilizzando la formula di Black and Scholes:

$$C = S_0 \Phi(d^+) - e^{-rT} \Phi(d^-),$$

$$d^{\pm}=rac{\log(S_0/K)+(r\pmrac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}$$
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 $\Phi(x)$  funzione di ripartizione di N(0,1)



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$$C=S_0\Phi(d^+)-e^{-rT}\Phi(d^-), \qquad \qquad d^\pm=rac{\log(S_0/K)+(r\pmrac12\sigma^2)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}},$$

 $\Phi(x)$  funzione di ripartizione di N(0,1)

```
function C = bs_call(S, K, T, r, sigma )
% C = bs_call(S, K, T, r, sigma )
% Calcola il valore di una Call vanilla

d1 = (log(S/K) + (r+sigma^2/2)*T)/(sigma*sqrt(T));
d2 = d1 - sigma*sqrt(T);

C = S*mynormcdf(d1) - exp(-r*T)*K*mynormcdf(d2);
```

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**Funzioni** 

## Scope, Variabili Locali e Globali

- Le funzioni sono scatole nere, le uniche interazioni con l'esterno avvengono tramie gli input/output.
- Nell'esempio precedente sono state definite le variabili d1 e d2.
- Variabili locali: tutte le variabili definite ed utilizzate in una funzione non hanno ripercussioni sull'ambiente (workspace) esterno/globale.
- Esiste uno workspace (locale) per ogni chiamata a funzione





## Esempio: Stack e Scope

Consideriamo la funzione

```
fun2.m

function y = fun2(x)

t = x^2;
y = 3+t;
```

Stack:

E lo script

```
fun3.m

1 >> a = 3;
2 >> b = fun2(a)
3 b =
4 12
```

. . .





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Stack:

```
t=9
x=3
a=3
```





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Stack:

```
y=12
t=9
x=3
a=3
```





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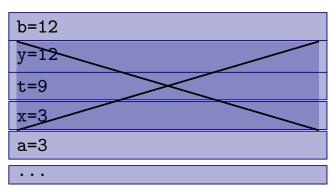
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3 b =
4 12
```

```
b=12
a=3
```





### Array

- Un array è un collezione di variabili dello stesso tipo organizzate in righe, colonne, strati, etc. . .
- La struttura dati fondamentale in matlab è la Matrice: array 2-d
- Un particolare tipo di matrice è il vettore: array 1-d, singola riga o colonna.
- Indice: posizione di un valore in un vettore
- Una posizione in una matrice è definita da due indici

1	6	1	თ	-1
2	9	2	2	-1
3	0	9	-3	4
4	10	3	2	1
	1	2	3	4

1	10		
2	2		
3	6		
4	4		
5	2		
	1		



#### Vettori

#### Creazione

- Separatori di colonna: spazio e ","; separatore di riga: ";"
- Vettori riga: vr = [ 2 3.1 -.01]
- Vettori colonna: vc = [ 2; 3.1; -.01]
- Usare funzioni per la creazione di matrici:

```
zeros(m,n), Crea una matrice m \times n

vr = zeros(1,4), Crea una riga con 4 zeri

vc = zeros(1,4), Crea una colonna con 4 zeri
```

- Funzioni analoghe: ones, nan, inf, rand, randn, eye
- linspace(a,b,n) crea un vettore riga con n valori equidist. da a a b

#### Accesso agli elementi:

- vect(i) rappresenta l'i-esimo elemento di vect.
- vect(i) è anche un l-value, cioè puó essere utilizzato a sinistra di istruzioni di assegnamento



## Vettori

• Esempio:

```
vet1.m
>> vect = [10 2 6 4 2 6]
vect =
                  6 4 2
10
            2
                                       6
>> vect(5)
ans =
     2
>> k=3;
>> vect(k)
ans =
>> vect(2) = k
vect =
        3 6 4
 10
                                       6
>> vect(1) = vect(k+2)
vect =
     2
            3
                   6
                         4
                                2
                                       6
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```

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Array, Vettori e Matrici

### Exercise (Attualizzazione flussi)

Calcolare il valore attuale (in t=0) di una serie di flussi  $c_i$  ai tempi  $t_i$   $(i=1,\ldots,n)$ .

Esempio di utilizzo

```
t = [.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5];
c = [10, 10, 15, 15, 10];
p = actualvalue(t, c, 0.04);
```





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c = [10, 10, 15, 15, 10];
p = actualvalue( t, c, 0.04 );
```

```
actualvalue.m
function p = actualvalue( t, c, r )
% p = actualvalue( t, c, r )
%
% Calcola il valore attuale dei flussi c(i) ai
% tempi t(i) con tasso di interesse composto r
n = length(t);
p = 0;
for i=1:n
    p = p + zcb(0,t(i),r)*c(i)/100;
```

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### Exercise (Simulazione Random Walk)

Simulare n passi di una realizzazione del processo stocastico a tempo discreto:

$$X_t = X_{t-1} + \Delta W_t, \qquad \qquad \Delta W_t \sim \mathit{N}(0,1), \qquad \qquad X_0 = \mathit{x}_0$$

(Specifiche: function  $x = wiener(n, x0) con x : 1 \times n, x0 : 1 \times 1$ )

Esempio di utilizzo:

```
wiener2.m
z = wiener(50, 0);
t = linspace( 1, 50, 50 );
plot( t, z, '-');
```

Implementazione:



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t = linspace( 1, 50, 50 );
plot( t, z, '-');
```

Implementazione:

```
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function x = wiener( n, x0 )
x = zeros(n,1);
x(1) = x0;
for i=1:n-1
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```

### Operazioni su vettori

- Operatori:
  - Aritmetici: +, -, ./, .\*, .^
  - Relazionali: ==, ^=, <, >, <=, >=
  - Logici: &, |, ~
- Se applicati a:
  - Due scalari: no problem.
  - Due vettori: elemento per elemento
  - Scalare-Vettore: scalare per ogni elemento del vettore
- Esempi (a=.5; b=2; v=[1 2 3]; w=[4 5 6];):
  - a ./ b  $\longrightarrow$  .25;
  - v .\* w  $\longrightarrow$  [4 10 18];
  - v .^ b  $\longrightarrow$  [1 4 9];
  - b .  $\hat{}$  v  $\longrightarrow$  [2 4 8];

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- $v > b \longrightarrow [0 \ 0 \ 1];$
- $v < w/3 \longrightarrow [1 \ 0 \ 0];$ 
  - $(v>b) | (v<w/3) \rightarrow [1 \ 0 \ 1];$
  - 2 .  $(v>b) \longrightarrow [1 \ 1 \ 2];$

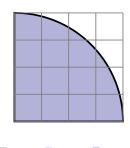


### Operazioni su vettori

- $\mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}$ : sum, prod, max, min, mean, std, var, median. Esempio: sum([1 2 3 4])  $\longrightarrow$  10.
- $\mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}^m$ : cumsum, cumprod, diff, gradient Esempio: diff([1 2 4 7 11])  $\to$  [1 2 3 4]
- $\mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}^N$ : abs, sign, sqrt, exp,  $\log(10,2)(a)\sin(h)$ ,  $(a)\cos(h)$ ,  $(a)\tan(h)$ , etc...
- ullet  $\mathbb{R}^N imes \mathbb{R}^N o \mathbb{R}^N$  or  $\mathbb{R}^N imes \mathbb{R} o \mathbb{R}^N$ : max, min;
  - $max(-3:3, 0) \longrightarrow [0 0 0 0 1 2 3];$
  - $\max(-3:3, -6:2:6) \longrightarrow [-3 -2 -1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 4 \ 6]$ .
- ullet Esempio, calcolo di  $\pi$

```
pigreco2.m

x = rand(N,1);
y = rand(N,1);
dentro = (x.^2 + y.^2 <= 1);
pi_greco = sum(dentro)/N*4;</pre>
```





#### Colon Notation

- L'espressione 1:5 è equivalente a [1 2 3 4 5].
- In generale: a:b:c  $\equiv$  [a, a+b, ..., a+m\*b], con  $m = \lfloor \frac{c-a}{b} \rfloor$ .
- è possibile accedere a piú di un elemento di un vettore:  $a([1,3]) \equiv [a(1) \ a(3)]$  (se a è un vettore riga).
- quindi se a = [10 2 5 4 2 6]:
  - $a([1,5]) \longrightarrow [10 6]$
  - $a(3:6) \longrightarrow [5 \ 4 \ 2 \ 6]$
  - $a(1:2:6) \longrightarrow [10 5 2]$
  - $a([6:-1:1]) \longrightarrow [6 2 4 5 2 10]$
- Esiste un indice particolare "end" tale che  $a \equiv a(1:end)$ .
  - a(end) è l'ultimo elemento di a
  - a(1:2:end) sono gli elementi di posizione dispari
  - a(2:2:end) quelli di posizione pari
  - a(end:-1:1) il vettore con posizioni invertite



# Matrici

• Ogni elemento è indirizzato da due indici: riga e colonna

<u> </u>				
1	10	3	2	1
2	0	9	-3	4
3	9	2	2	-1
4	6	4	3	4
	1	2	3	4

$$A(3,2) \longrightarrow 2$$

Colon notation:

1	10	3	2	1
2	0	9	-3	4
3	9	2	2	-1
4	6	4	3	4
	1	2	3	4

 $A([1:2:end],[2:3]) \longrightarrow [3\ 2;\ 2\ 2]$ 



### Struttura fondamentale di Matlab

• 1 × 1: scalari

● 1 × N: vettori riga

•  $M \times 1$ : vettori colonna

•  $M \times N$ : matrici

- Comodo per l'algebra lineare.
- Ci sono problemi di coerenza.
- Spesso fanno comodo strutture dati piú sofisticate.





### Operazioni fra Matrici

- Tutti gli operatori "elemento per elemento" visti finora vengono utilizzati in maniera analoga fra matrici.
- Gli operatori prodotto e divisione, \*,\,,/, rappresentano operazioni fra matrici:
  - X=A\*B: moltiplicazione riga-per-colonna;
  - X=A/B: divisione a destra, X soluzione di XB = A;
  - X=A\B: divisione a sinistra, X soluzione di AX = B;
  - Le dimensioni di A e B devono essere compatibili.
  - XB = A e AX = B possono essere anche sotto/sovra determinati o non-crameriani (soluzione minimi quadrati)
- Trasposizione: A, è la trasposta di A
- Se v e w sono due vettori colonna di uguali dimensioni: v'∗w è il loro prodotto scalare

#### Funzioni su matrici

- $\mathbb{R}^{M \times N} \to \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$ : (es. abs, sin) applicate ad ogni elemento;
- ullet  $\mathbb{R}^{M imes N} o \mathbb{R}^N$ : (es. sum, prod, mean) applicate ad ogni colonna;
- $\mathbb{R}^{M \times N} \to \mathbb{R}^{m \times N}$ : (es. cumsum) applicate ad ogni colonna;
- size(A) restituisce un vettore di due elementi con le dimensioni di A
- length(v) restituisce il numero di elementi del vettore v
- Esempi:
  - A = ones(3,2); v=1:5;
  - size(A)  $\longrightarrow$  [3,2]
  - size(v)  $\longrightarrow$  [1,5]
  - size(8)  $\longrightarrow$  [1,1]
  - length(v)  $\longrightarrow$  5



#### Concatenazione di Matrici

• Matrici a blocchi: se  $A: m \times n$ ,  $B: m \times q$ ,  $C: p \times n$  e  $D: p \times q$ 

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} & b_{11} & \cdots & b_{1q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} & b_{m1} & \cdots & b_{mq} \\ c_{11} & \cdots & c_{1n} & d_{11} & \cdots & d_{1q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c_{p1} & \cdots & c_{pn} & d_{p1} & \cdots & d_{pq} \end{pmatrix}$$

- In Matlab: M = [ A, B; C,D ];
- Esempi: dati v =[1 2 3]; w=[4 5 6]; x=[3;4]; y=[2,3; 4,5];

$$ullet$$
 [v,w]  $\longrightarrow$   $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ 

• 
$$[v;w] \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

• [x,y] 
$$\longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

•  $[v',w'] \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$\bullet \quad [[v;w],x] \xrightarrow{\bullet} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 = 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Indicizzazione con booleani

- Vettori booleani (Vero/Falso) ottenuti da confronti possono essere utilizzare per estrarre elementi da un array.
- Esempio: si vogliono estrarre tutti i valori positivi del vettore
   x = [2.1 3.4 -0.4 -1.2 3.2 -2.5 2.1]
  - ① pos = (x>=0);  $\longrightarrow$  pos =  $[1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1]$
  - 2  $y = x(pos); \longrightarrow y = [2.1 \ 3.4 \ 3.2 \ 2.1]$
- In generale se x e pos sono due matrici di pari dimensioni e pos e' di tipo booleano, allora y = x(pos) è il vettore che contiene solo i valori di x corrispondenti ai valori "true" (non zero) del vettore pos.



#### La funzione find

- Un metodo alternativo per estrarre valori che soddisfano una data condizione consiste nell'utilizzare la funzione find.
- find(pos) resituisce gli indici di tutti i valori "true" nel vettore/matrice pos
- Se x e pos sono vettori/matrici di pari dimensioni, allora x(find(pos)) è equivalente a x(pos).
- Esempio: dato il vettore x = [2.1 3.4 -0.4 -1.2 3.2 -2.5 2.1]

  - 2 find(x>=0)  $\longrightarrow$  [1 2 5 7]
  - 3  $x(find(x>=0)) \longrightarrow [2.1 \ 3.4 \ 3.2 \ 2.1]$



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Modificare la funzione zcb in modo che accetti matrici come argomenti per t, Ter

```
zcb2.m
function p = zcb2(t,T,r)
% p = zcb(t,T,r)
\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\%}}} Compute the value at t of a ZCB with maturity T and
% rate (composite) r
p = 100./(1+r).^{(T-t)};
```





Programmazione e Matlab Array, Vettori e Matrici

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Modificare la funzione bs\_call in modo che accetti matrici come argomenti per K e T





#### Exercise (Vettorializzazione)

Modificare la funzione  $bs\_call$  in modo che accetti matrici come argomenti per K e T

```
function C = bs_call2(S, K, T, r, sigma)
% C = bs_call(S, K, T, r, sigma)
% Calcola il valore di una Call vanilla

d1 = (log(S./K) + (r+sigma^2/2).*T)./(sigma.*sqrt(T));
d2 = d1 - sigma.*sqrt(T);

C = S.*mynormcdf(d1) - exp(-r.*T).*K.*mynormcdf(d2);
```





## Ciclo For

- Ciclo for: for i=fist:by:last; ...; end
- Caso generale: for i=A; <expr>; end,
  - se A è una matrice, ripeti le istruzioni <expr> assegnando ad i ogni colonna di A
  - se A è un vettore riga,
     ripeti le istruzioni <expr> assegnando ad i ogni valore di A





## Creare un grafico

Siano x, y vettori di lunghezza n

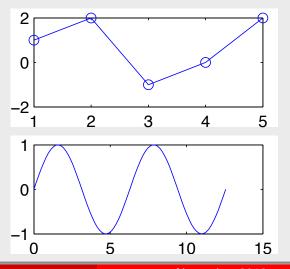
La funzione plot ha le seguenti specifiche:

- plot(y) produce il grafico della spezzata  $(1, y_1), (2, y_2), \ldots, (n, y_n)$ ;
- plot(x,y) produce la spezzata  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \ldots, (x_n, y_n);$
- plot(x,y,'o') disegna i punti  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n);$

#### Example

```
y = [1 2 -1 0 2];
plot(y);

x = linspace(0,4*pi,80);
y = sin(x);
plot(x,y);
```



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Grafica in Matlab

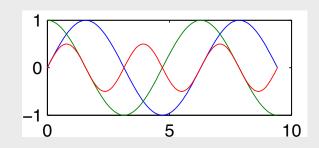
Grafici di funzioni

## Diverse serie in unico grafico

plot(x1,y1, x2,y2, x3,y3): visualizza in unico grafico tre spezzate.

#### Example

```
x = linspace(0,3*pi,100);
y1 = sin(x);
y2 = cos(x);
y3 = y1.*y2;
plot(x,y1, x,y2, x,y3);
```



- hold on permette di aggiungere grafici alla figura corrente
- hold off fa in modo che la figura venga cancellata prima di ogni plot
- Il comando subplot(m,n,i) divide la figura in  $m \times n$  sottofigure e si posizione sulla i-esima.

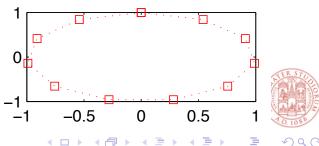


# Specificare il tipo di linea

• plot(x,y,'linestyle') dove linestyle é una stringa composta dai seg. caratteri:

Colori		Linee		Punti	
С	azzurro	_	continua	+	+
m	magenta		tratteggiata	0	cerchietto
У	giallo	:	punteggiata	*	punto
r	rosso	<b>-</b> .	linea-punto	х	X
g	verde			s	quadrato
b	blue			^v<>	triangoli
W	bianco			р	stella a 5 punte
k	nero			h	stella a 6 punte

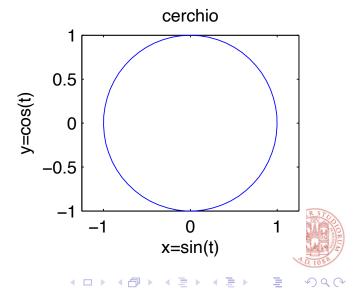
```
t = linspace(0,2*pi,12);
plot( sin(t), cos(t), 'r:s');
```



## Annotare i grafici

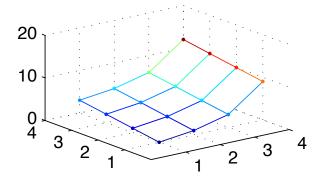
- title('titolo') imposta il titolo della figura
- xlabel e ylabel impostano le etichette degli assi
- legend descrive ogni serie visualizzata
- axis imposta gli estremi degli assi

```
t = linspace(0,2*pi,60);
plot( sin(t), cos(t) );
axis([-1.25 1.25 -1 1])
title('cerchio')
xlabel('x=sin(t)')
ylabel('y=cos(t)');
```

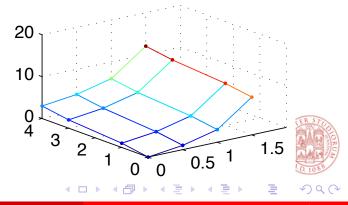


# Visualizzare Matrici e Superfici

ullet mesh(A) visualizza una mesh sui punti  $(i,j,A_{ij})$ 

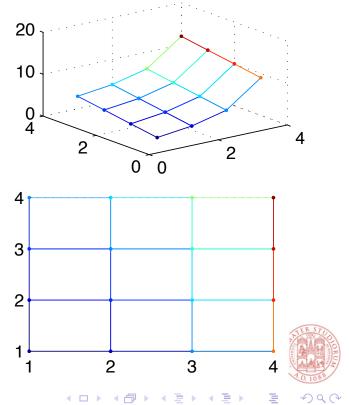


• mesh(x,y,A) visualizza una mesh con punti  $(x_j,y_i,A_{ij})$ 



## Visualizzare Matrici

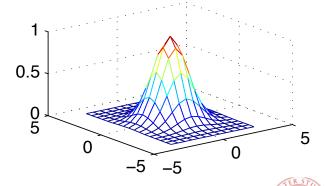
ullet mesh(X,Y,A) crea una con punti  $(X_{ij},Y_{ij},A_{ij})$ 



## Funzioni in 2 variabili

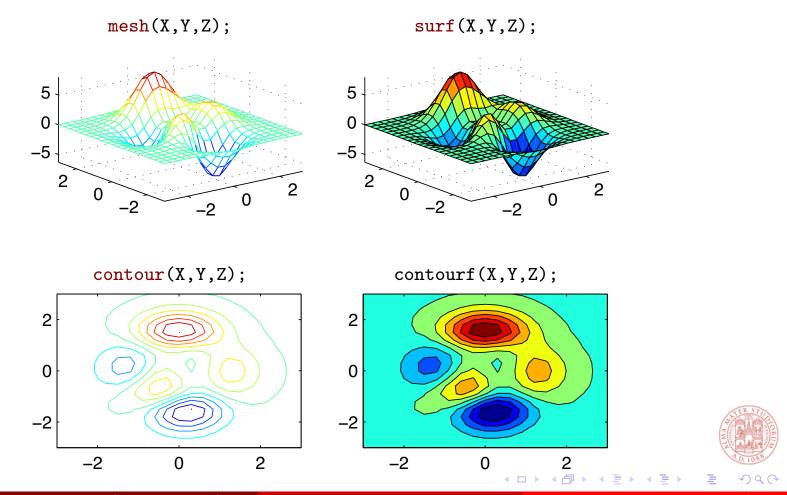
- Per visualizzare funzioni z = f(x, y)
  - generare una griglia di punti (x, y), cioé due matrici X, Y  $(m \times n)$  contenenti le coordinate dei punti
  - generare la matrice Z in modo che z(i,j) = f(x(i,j),y(i,j)).
- Esempio: visualizzare la funzione  $z = \exp(-(x^2 + y^2)/2)$

```
xpts = linspace(-3,3,13);
ypts = linspace(-4,4,17);
[X,Y] = meshgrid(xpts,ypts);
Z = exp(-(X.^2+Y.^2)/2);
mesh(X,Y,Z);
```





# Visualizzazione di superfici



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Payoff: valore di un derivato in funzione di Strike (K) e Scadenza (T)

### Exercise (Grafico payoff opzioni europee)

Utilizzare la funzione bs\_call per visualizzare il Payoff di un opzione europea Dati:  $S_0 = 1$ ,  $\sigma = 0.2$ , r = 0.03,  $K \in [0.5, 1.4]$  e  $T \in [0, 1]$ 

```
S=1; r=.03; sigma=.2;
m=11; K=linspace(.5,1.5,m);
n=13; T=linspace(0,1,n);
U = zeros(m,n);
for i=1:m
  for j=1:n
    if (T(j)==0)
      U(i,j)=\max(S - K(i),0);
    else
      U(i,j)=bs_{call}(S,K(i),T(j),r,sigma);
    end
  end
end
surf(T,K,U);
```



# Esercizio: payoff di opzioni europee

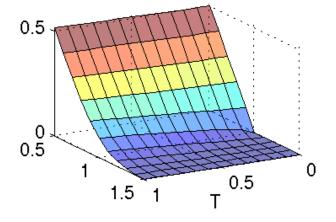
#### • Oppure...

```
S=1; r=.03; sigma=.2;

m=11; K=linspace(.5,1.5,m);
n=13; T=linspace(0,1,n);
[K,T] = meshgrid(K,T);

U = bs_call2(S,K,T,r,sigma);
U(1,:) = max(S-K(1,:),0);

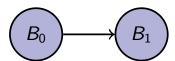
surf(T,K,U);
xlabel('T'); ylabel('K');
alpha(0.5); view(150,25);
```



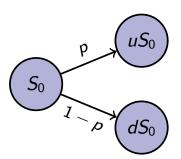


### Binomial model

• Discrete time:  $t_0 = 0$ ,  $t_1 = T$ .



- Risk-free asset:  $B_1 = B_0(1 + \rho)$ .
- Risky asset:  $S_1 = \begin{cases} uS_0, & \text{prob. } p, \\ dS_0, & \text{prob. } 1-p. \end{cases}$



- Portfolio:
  - $\bullet V_n = \alpha_n S_n + \beta_n B_n.$
  - Self-financing:  $\alpha_{n-1}S_n + \beta_{n-1}B_n = V_n$ .
  - Predictable:  $\alpha_n$  and  $\beta_n$  only depend on the past.
- The binomial model is:
  - arbitrage free;
  - complete: every european derivative can be replicated by means of a self-financing portfolio.



## Arbitrage

- Arbitrage portfolio V
  - $oldsymbol{0}$  V is self-financing and predictable
  - **2**  $P[V_0 = 0] = 1$ ,
  - **3**  $P[V_n \ge 0] = 1$  and  $P[V_n > 0] > 0$  for some n
- No arbitrage implies  $d < 1 + \rho < u$ .
  - Suppose  $1+\rho \leq d < u$ . Let consider the self-financing portfolio  $V_n = S_n - \frac{S_0}{B_0} B_n$ . Then,  $V_0 = 0$  and  $V_1 = S_1 - \frac{S_0}{B_0} B_1 = S_1 - S_0 (1+\rho) \geq 0$ . Furthermore, with probablity  $\rho > 0$ ,  $S_1 = uS_0$  and  $V_1 > 0$ .
  - Assume  $d < u \le 1 + \rho$ . and consider the self-financing portfolio  $V_n = \frac{S_0}{B_0} B_n S_n$ . Then,  $V_0 = 0$  and  $V_1 = S_0(1 + \rho) S_1 \ge 0$  and  $V_1 > 0$  with probability  $(1 \rho) > 0$ .
- ullet When d < 1 + 
  ho < u the binomial model is arbitrage-free
  - Consider the self-financing portfolio:  $V_n = \gamma S_n \gamma \frac{S_0}{B_0} B_n$  ( $V_0 = 0$ ).

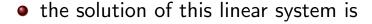


# Replicating portfolio

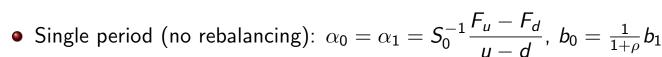
- Portfolio:  $V_n = \alpha_n S_n + b_n$ , n = 0, 1
- Should replicate the payoff  $V_1 = F(S_1)$ :

$$\bullet \ \alpha_1 u S_0 + b_1 = F_u \equiv F(u S_0)$$

$$\bullet \ \alpha_1 dS_0 + b_1 = F_d \equiv F(dS_0)$$



$$\alpha_1 = S_0^{-1} \frac{F_u - F_d}{u - d}$$
  $b_1 = \frac{uF_d - dF_u}{u - d}$ 



• 
$$V_0 = \frac{F_u - F_d}{u - d} + \frac{uF_d - dF_u}{(1 + \rho)(u - d)} = \frac{(1 + \rho - d)F_u - (1 + \rho - u)F_d}{(1 + \rho)(u - d)}$$

• Delta Hedging: 
$$\alpha_0 = \frac{F_u - F_d}{S_u - S_d} = \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta S}$$





# Equivalent Martingale Measure

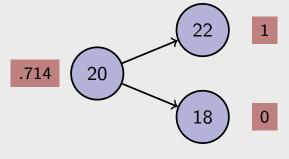
• 
$$V_0 = \frac{(1+\rho-d)F_u - (1+\rho-u)F_d}{(1+\rho)(u-d)} = \frac{1}{1+\rho} \left( \frac{1+\rho-d}{u-d}F_u + \frac{u-(1+\rho)}{u-d}F_d \right)$$

• 
$$q = \frac{1 + \rho - d}{u - d}$$
,  $1 - q = -\frac{1 + \rho - u}{u - d}$ ,

- if  $d < 1 + \rho < u$  then 0 < q < 1
- $\Rightarrow$  q defines a probability measure, let call it Q
  - $V_0 = \frac{1}{1+\rho}(qF_u + (1-q)F_d) = \frac{1}{1+\rho}\operatorname{E}^Q[F(S_1)] = \frac{1}{1+\rho}\operatorname{E}^Q[V_1]$ here  $V_1$  is the value of the contingent claim at time t=1.

The value of the contingent claim is given by the discounted expected value (w.r.t. the measure Q) of its payoff:

$$V_0=rac{1}{1+
ho}\,\mathsf{E}^Q[V_1]$$



- $\rho = 0.05$
- $S_0 = 20$ , u = 1.1, d = .9
- $F(S_1) = \max(S_1 21, 0)$
- The replication portfolio is  $V_1 = \alpha_1 S_1 + b_1 \equiv F(S_1)$

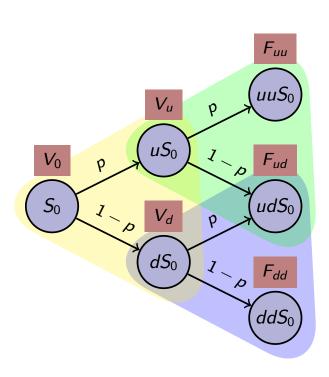
$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1 18 + b_1 = 1 \\ \alpha_1 22 + b_1 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_1 = \frac{1-0}{22-18} = 1/4 \\ b_1 = -22\alpha_1 = -22/4 \end{cases}$$

so that

$$V_0 = \alpha_1 S_0 + b_0 = 1/4 \cdot 20 - \frac{1}{1.05} 22/4 = 0.714$$

- Alternatively (martingale approach):
  - $q = \frac{1+\rho-d}{u-d} = \frac{1+.05-.9}{1.1-.9} = \frac{.15}{.2} = 3/4$
  - $V_0 = \frac{1}{1+\rho} \, \mathsf{E}^Q[V_1] = \frac{1}{1.05} \left( \frac{3}{4} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \right) = \frac{3/4}{1.05} = 0.714$

# A two-steps binomial model



#### Dynamics:

• 
$$B_{n+1} = (1 + \rho)B_n$$

At time t = 1

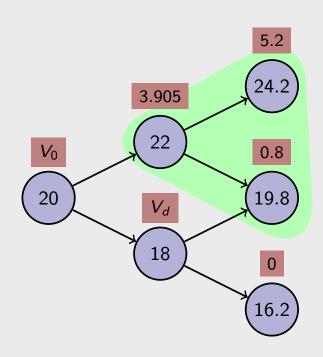
The payoff  $F_{uu}$ ,  $F_{ud}$  is replicable by a portfolio with value  $V_u$ 

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At time t = 0

The payoff  $V_u$ ,  $V_d$  is replicable by a portfolio with value  $V_0$ 

$$S_0=20$$
,  $u=1.1$ ,  $d=.9$ ,  $ho=0.05$ ,  $F_T=\max(S_T-19,0)$ 

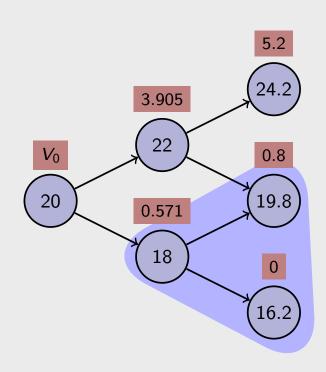


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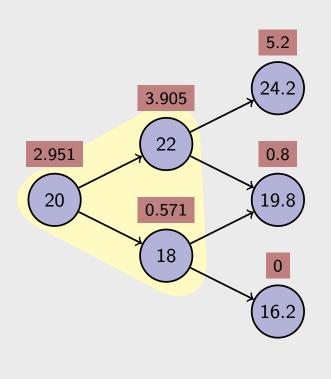
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$$b_d = \frac{1.1 \cdot 0 - 0.9 \cdot 0.8}{0.2 \cdot 1.05} = -3.429$$

$$V_d = 0.2222 \cdot 18 - 3.429 = 0.571$$

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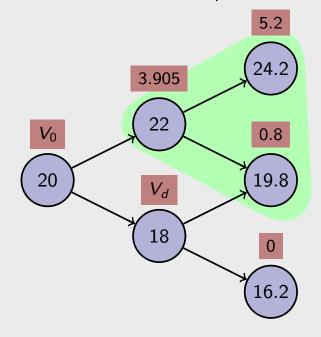
$$V_d = 0.2222 \cdot 18 - 3.429 = 0.571$$

$$\alpha = 20^{-1} \frac{3.905 - .571}{.2} = 0.834$$

$$b = \frac{1.1 \cdot 0.571 - .9 \cdot 3.905}{.2 \cdot 1.05} = -13.729$$

$$V_0 = 20 \cdot 0.834 - 13.729 = 2.951$$

$$S_0 = 20$$
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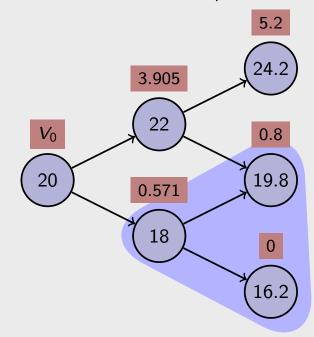


$$q = \frac{1 + \rho - d}{u - d} = \frac{1.05 - 0.9}{1.1 - 0.9} = 0.75$$

$$V_u = \frac{0.75 \cdot 5.2 + 0.25 \cdot 0.8}{1.05} = 3.905$$



$$S_0 = 20$$
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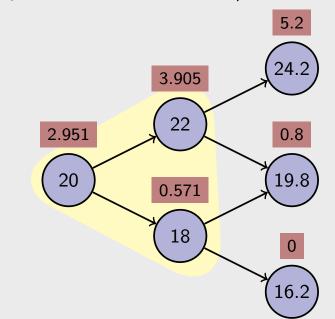
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$$V = \frac{0.75 \cdot 3.905 + 0.25 \cdot 0.571}{1.05} = 2.951$$



## Multiperiod Binomial Model

- Each node corresponds to a specific time (n) and a specific scenario (j)
- At time n in the scenario with j up-movements (n-j) down-moves the underlying is given by
  - $S_{nj} = u^j d^{n-j} S_0$ , n = 1, ..., N, j = 0, ..., n
- Analogously the values for claim and the portfolio composition are:
  - $V_{nj}, \alpha_{nj}, b_{nj}$ , for  $n = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$

#### Algorithm

$$ullet S_{0,0} = S_0, \qquad S_{n+1,j} = dS_{n,j} \quad \text{and} \quad S_{n+1,j+1} = uS_{n,j} \qquad \qquad \text{(forward)}$$

• 
$$V_{Nj} = F(S_{Nj}), \qquad V_{nj} = \frac{qV_{n+1,j+1} + (1-q)V_{n+1,j}}{1+\rho}$$
 (backward)

• 
$$\alpha_{nj} = \frac{V_{n+1,j+1} - V_{n+1,j}}{S_{n+1,j+1} - S_{n+1,j}}$$
,  $b_{nj} = V_{nj} - \alpha_{nj}S_{nj}$  (backward)

# Matlab implementation

```
binomial1.m
function [C,V,S] = binomial1(S0,K,u,d,rho,N)
S=nan(N,N); V=nan(N,N);
% Scenario Generation
S(1,1)=S0;
for n=1:N-1
  for j=1:n; S(n+1,j) = d*S(n,j); end
  S(n+1,n+1) = u*S(n,n);
end
% Compute replicating portfolio
q = (1+rho-d)/(u-d);
V(N,:) = \max(S(N,:)-K,0);
for n=N-1:-1:1
  for j=1:n
    V(n,j) = (q*V(n+1,j+1) + (1-q)*V(n+1,j))/(1+rho);
  end
end
C = V(1,1);
```

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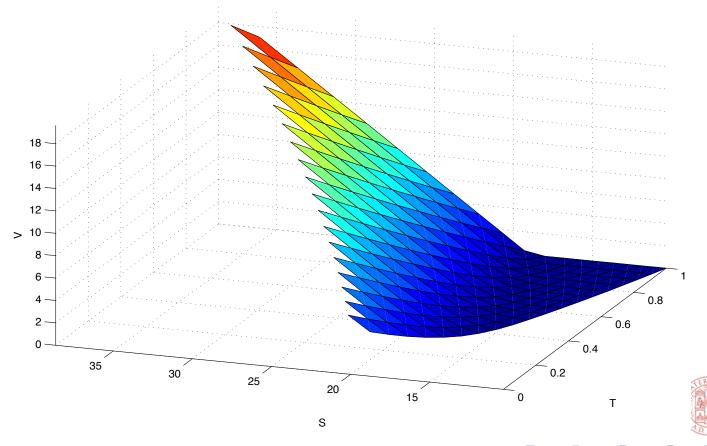
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# Matlab implementation

```
binomial2.m
function [C,V,S] = binomial2(S0,K,u,d,rho,N)
S=nan(N,N); V=nan(N,N);
% Scenario Generation
S(1,1)=S0;
for n=1:N-1
  S(n+1,1:n) = d*S(n,1:n);
  S(n+1,n+1) = u*S(n,n);
end
% Compute replicating portfolio
q = (1+rho-d)/(u-d);
V(N,:) = \max(S(N,:)-K,0);
for n=N-1:-1:1
 V(n,1:n) = (q*V(n+1,2:n+1) + (1-q)*V(n+1,1:n))/(1+rho);
end
C = V(1,1);
```

# Payoff computed by the Binomial method





### Calibration

Consider the r.v. 
$$S_{n+1}$$
:  $S_{n+1} = \begin{cases} uS_n, & \text{prob. } p \\ dS_n, & \text{prob. } 1-p \end{cases}$ 

Equivalently: 
$$S_{n+1} = S_n \xi_n$$
 with  $\xi_n = \begin{cases} u, & \mathsf{prob.}\ p \\ d, & \mathsf{prob.}\ 1-p \end{cases}$  (independent)

Thus,

$$\log(S_N/S_0) = \sum_{n=1}^N \log(\xi_n) \sim N \log(\xi_n) \qquad \text{(the $\xi_n$ are i.i.d.)}$$

so that

$$\mathsf{E}[\log(S_N/S_0)] = N\,\mathsf{E}[\log(\xi_n)]$$

and

$$Var[log(S_N/S_0)] = N^2 Var[log(\xi_n)]$$



Binomial Model

Parameter Calibration

#### Theorem (Moments of the binomial distribution)

 $\mathsf{E}[\log(\xi)] = p\log(u) + (1-p)\log(d) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathsf{Var}[\log(\xi)] = p(1-p)\log(u/d)^2$ 

#### Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[\log(\xi)] &= \mathsf{E}[\log(\xi)^2] - \mathsf{E}[\log(\xi)]^2 \\ &= p \log(u)^2 + (1-p) \log(d)^2 \\ &- p^2 \log(u)^2 - (1-p)^2 \log(d)^2 - 2p(1-p) \log(u) \log(d) \\ &= p(1-p) \log(u)^2 + p(1-p) \log(d)^2 - 2p(1-p) \log(u) \log(d) \\ &= p(1-p) (\log(u) - \log(d))^2 \\ &= p(1-p) \log(u/d)^2 \end{aligned}$$

### Binomial model: calibration

Given T (expiration) and N (number of steps)  $\Rightarrow \Delta_t = T/N$ .

From the continuous risk-free rate r:  $\rho = e^{r\Delta_t} - 1$ .

The risky asset log-return:  $\mu = \frac{1}{T} \log(S_T/S_0) \sim \frac{N}{T} \log(\xi_n) = \frac{1}{\Delta_t} \log(\xi_n)$ .

Want to match market expected return m and volatility  $\sigma^2$ :

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Delta_t} \operatorname{\mathsf{E}}[\log \xi_n] &= m \\ \frac{1}{\Delta_t^2} \operatorname{\mathsf{Var}}[\log \xi_n] &= \sigma^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} p \log(u/d) + \log(d) &= m \Delta_t \\ \sqrt{p(1-p)} \log(u/d) &= \sigma \Delta_t \end{cases}$$

$$p = 1/2$$

$$\log(u/d) = 2\sigma\Delta_t$$

$$\log(d) = m\Delta_t - \sigma\Delta_t$$

$$\xi_n = \exp((m \pm \sigma)\Delta_t)$$

$$\frac{ud = 1}{\log(u/d) = \log(u^2) = 2\log(u)}$$

Working in a risk-neutral measure, better to use m = r.

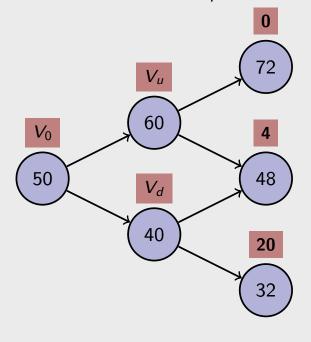


# American options

- European options: exercise only at expiration
- Opzioni Americane: can be exercised before or at expiration
- At each time the holder of the contract can choose if
  - exercise the option right
  - hold the contract
- Will choose the maximum between
  - the current payoff
  - the fair value of the option at time t (discounted expected value of the future payoff)
- $V_n = \max(F(S_n), (1+\rho)^{-1} E^Q[V_{n+1}|S_n])$

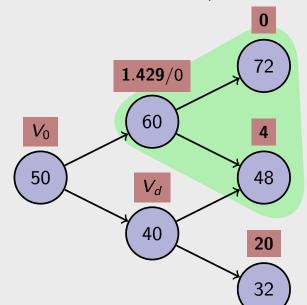


$$S_0 = 50$$
,  $u = 1.2$ ,  $d = .8$ ,  $\rho = 0.05$ ,  $F = \max(52 - S, 0)$   $\Rightarrow$   $q = .625$ 





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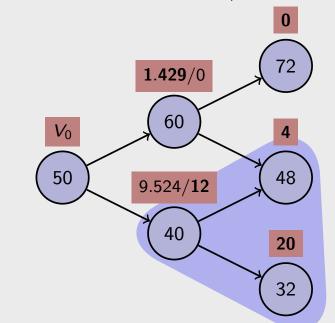
$$V_u^* = \frac{0.625 \cdot 0 + 0.375 \cdot 4}{1.05} = \mathbf{1.429}$$

$$F_u = \max(52 - 60, 0) = 0$$





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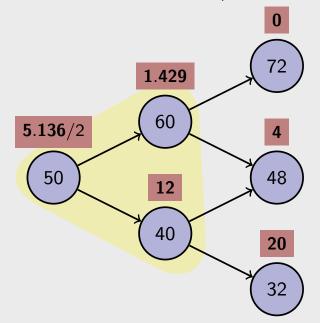
$$V_d = \frac{0.625 \cdot 4 + 0.375 \cdot 20}{1.05} = 9.524$$

$$F_d = \max(52 - 40, 0) = 12$$





$$S_0 = 50$$
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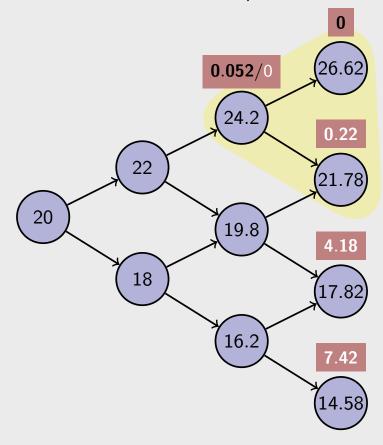
$$V = \frac{0.625 \cdot 1.429 + 0.375 \cdot 12}{1.05} = \mathbf{5.136}$$

$$F = \max(52 - 50, 0) = 2$$



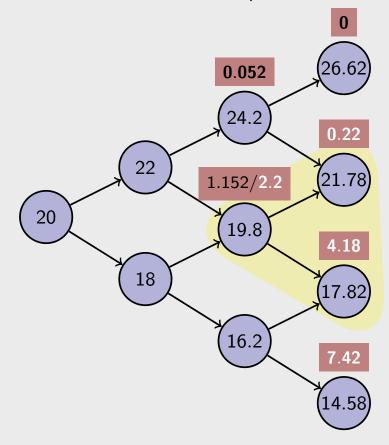


$$S_0 = 20$$
,  $u = 1.1$ ,  $d = .9$ ,  $\rho = 0.05$ ,  $F = \max(22 - S, 0) \Rightarrow q = .75$ ,



$$V_{uu}^* = \mathbf{0.052}, F_{uu} = 0$$

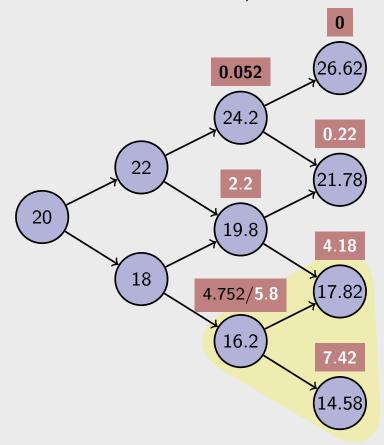
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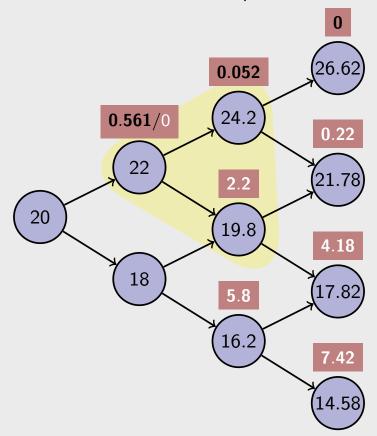


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$$V_{dd}^* = 4.752, F_{dd} = 5.8$$

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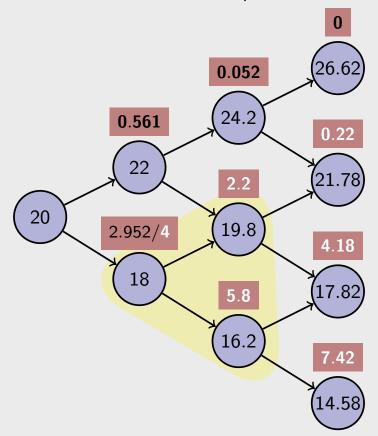
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$$V_{u}^{*} = \mathbf{0.561}, F_{u} = 0$$

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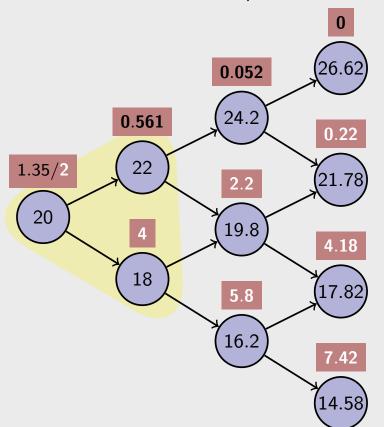
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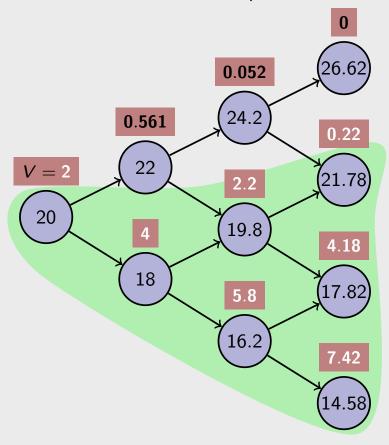
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$$V^* = 1.35, F = 2$$

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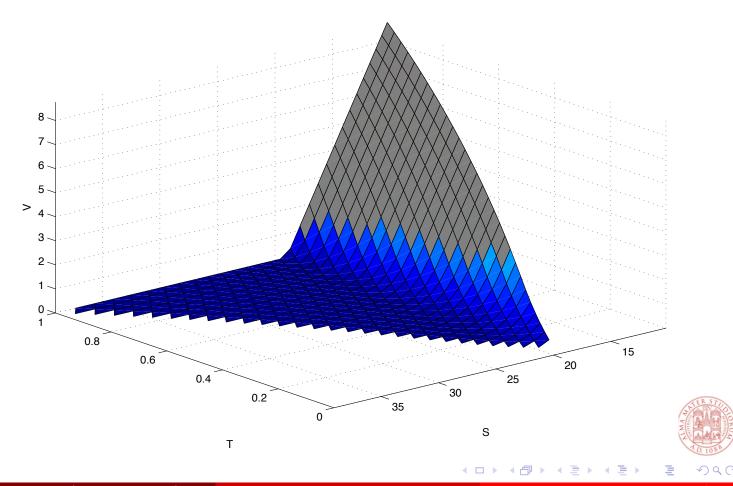
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⇒ early exercise region

Binomial Model

Early exercise

# Payoff of an American Put



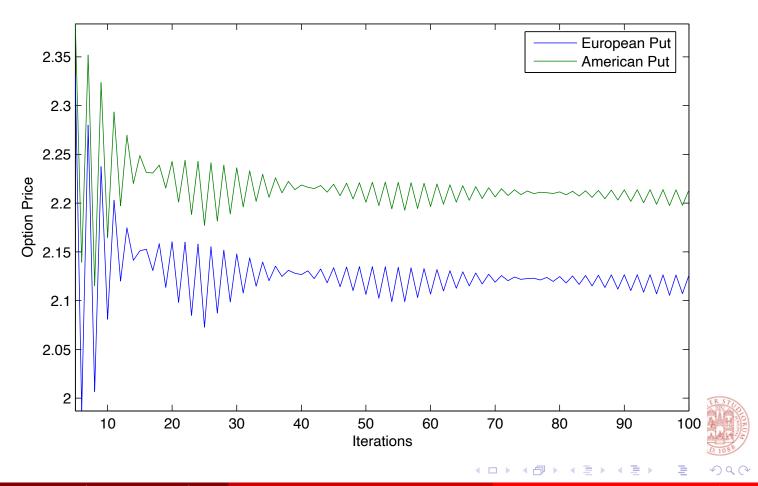
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# Convergence



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# Computational efficiency

To save memory: vectors instead of matrices (more in [?])

```
binomial4.m
function P = binomial4(S0,K,u,d,rho,N)
S=nan(N,1); V=nan(N,1);
% Scenario Generation
S(1) = S0*d^(N-1);
for j=2:N
  S(j) = S(j-1)*u/d;
end
% Claim price computation
q = (1+rho-d)/(u-d);
V(:) = \max(K-S(:),0);
for n=N-1:-1:1
  S(1:n) = S(1:n)/d;
 V(1:n) = \max((q*V(2:n+1) + (1-q)*V(1:n))/(1+rho), K-S(1:n));
end
P = V(1,1);
```

## **Control Variates**

Let

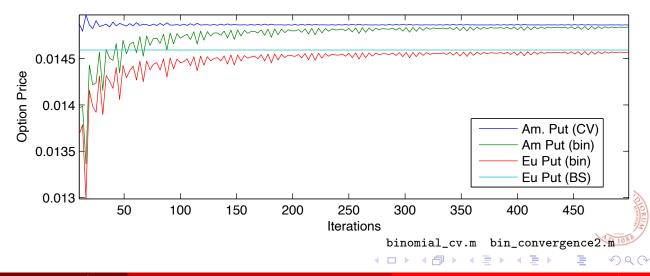
P<sup>A</sup>: Amercan Put price (unknown)

• PE: European Put price (known by B&S)

•  $P_n^A$ : American Put price computed by an *n*-steps binomial method

•  $P_n^E$ : European Put price computed by an *n*-steps binomial method

Euristics:  $P^A - P_n^A \simeq P^E - P_n^E$  da cui  $P^A \simeq P_n^A - (P^E - P_n^E) =: P_n^{CV}$ 



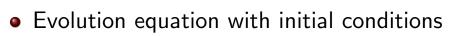
## **Control Variates**

```
binomial_cv.m
function [P,PA,PE,PBS] = binomial_cv(S0,K,T,r,sigma,N)
u=exp(sigma*sqrt(T/N)); d=1/u;
rho = exp(r*T/N) - 1;
q = (1+rho-d)/(u-d);
% Scenario Generation
S=nan(N,1); S(1)=S0*d^(N-1);
for j=2:N; S(j)=S(j-1)*u/d;
                               end
% Option pricing
VE = \max(K-S(:),0); V=VE;
for n=N-1:-1:1
 S(1:n) = S(1:n)/d;
 VE(1:n) = (q*VE(2:n+1) + (1-q)*VE(1:n))/(1+rho);
 V(1:n) = \max((q*V(2:n+1) + (1-q)*V(1:n))/(1+rho), K-S(1:n));
end
PE=VE(1,1); PA=V(1,1); PBS = bs_put(SO,K,T,r,sigma);
P = PA + PBS - PE;
```

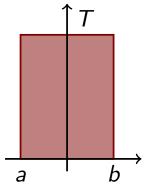
# The Heat Equation

- Usually, partial differential equations arising in option pricing are
  - of second order
  - parabolic (or semi-parabolic)
- A prototype equation is the Heat Equation:

$$\partial_{xx}u(x,t) - \partial_t u(x,t) = 0$$
 on  $[a,b] \times [0,T]$ 



$$u(x,0) = \phi(x), \quad x \in [a,b]$$



• A finite domain  $a \neq -\infty$  e  $b \neq \infty$  needs border conditions:

$$u(a,t) = \phi_a(t), \quad u(b,t) = \phi_b(t) \quad t \in ]0,T]$$

The Black & Scholes equations can be reformulated as a Heat Equ



## Discretization

- Continuous domain.
- Memory and computing time are finite.
- Discretization: approximate u on a finite grid
- Uniform grid:

$$\bullet \ (i,j) \longrightarrow (x_i,t_j),$$

• 
$$x_i - x_{i-1} = \Delta_x$$
,  $x_1 = a$ ,  $x_M = b$ ,

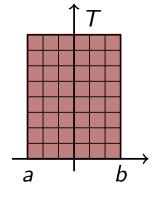
• 
$$t_n - t_{n-1} = \Delta_t$$
,  $t_1 = 0$ ,  $t_N = T$ ,

• 
$$u_{i,n} = u(x_i, t_n)$$



$$ullet$$
  $\Delta_{ imes} = rac{b-a}{M-1}$  and  $x_i = a + (i-1)\Delta_{ imes}$ 

$$ullet$$
  $\Delta_t = rac{T}{N-1}$  and  $t_n = (n-1)\Delta_t$ 





### **Problem**

Approximate  $\partial_{xx}u$  and  $\partial_t u = 0$ 

### Taylor Expansion

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{1}{2}h^2f''(x) + \frac{1}{6}h^3f'''(x) + \frac{1}{24}h^4f^{IV}(x) + O(h^5)$$

### First order finite differences

Forward: 
$$\delta_{x,h}^+ f \equiv \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = f'(x) + O(h)$$

Backward: 
$$\delta_{x,h}^- f \equiv \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} = f'(x) + O(h)$$

Centered: 
$$\delta_{x,h}^o f \equiv \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} = f'(x) + O(h^2)$$

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + h^2f''(x)/2 + h^3f'''(x)/6 + o(h^4)$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - hf'(x) + h^2f''(x)/2 - h^3f'''(x)/6 + o(h^4)$$



### Second order finite differences

Centered: 
$$\delta^{o}_{xx,h}f \equiv \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} = f''(x) + O(h^2)$$

Proof:

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = + hf'(x) + \frac{1}{2}h^2f''(x) + \frac{1}{6}f'''(x) + O(h^4)$$

$$- f(x) + f(x-h) = - hf'(x) + \frac{1}{2}h^2f''(x) - \frac{1}{6}f'''(x) + O(h^4)$$

$$\overline{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)} = + h^2f''(x) + O(h^4)$$

Note that: 
$$\delta^o_{xx,h}f = \frac{1}{h}(\delta^+_{x,h}f - \delta^-_{x,h}f)$$



## **Explicit Method**

Solve  $\delta^o_{xx,h}u - \delta^+_{t,k}u = 0$  with initial condition  $u(0,x) = \phi(x)$ 

- Approximate  $\partial_{xx}$  with  $\delta^o_{xx,h}$  and  $\partial_t$  with  $\delta^+_{t,k}$
- Using  $h = \Delta_x$  and  $k = \Delta_t$  the method can be computed on the grid points:

$$\delta_{xx,\Delta_{x}}^{o}u(x_{i},t_{n}) = \frac{u(x_{i+1},t_{n}) - 2u(x_{i},t_{n}) + u(x_{i-1},t_{n})}{\Delta_{x}^{2}}$$
$$\delta_{t,\Delta_{j}}^{+}u(x_{i},t_{n}) = \frac{u(x_{i},t_{n+1}) - u(x_{i},t_{n})}{\Delta_{t}}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\delta_{xx}^{o} u_{i,n} = \frac{u_{i+1,n} - 2u_{i,n} + u_{i-1,n}}{\Delta_{x}^{2}} \qquad \qquad \delta_{t}^{+} u_{i,n} = \frac{u_{i,n+1} - u_{i,n}}{\Delta_{t}}$$

$$u_{i,n+1} = u_{i,n} + \frac{\Delta_t}{\Delta_x^2} (u_{i+1,n} - 2u_{i,n} + u_{i-1,n})$$

### Border conditions

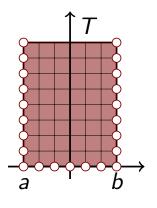
$$u_{i,n+1} = u_{i,n} + \frac{\Delta_t}{\Delta_x^2} (u_{i+1,n} - 2u_{i,n} + u_{i-1,n})$$
 (\*)

- Eq. (\*) is not defined for i = 1 or i = M and for n = 0
- Initial Conditions:  $u_{i,1} = \phi(x_i)$ , i = 1, ..., M
- **Border Conditions:**

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$$u_{1,n+1} = \phi_a(t_{n+1}),$$
  $u_{M,n+1} = \phi_b(t_{n+1}), \quad n = 1, \dots, N-1$ 

 Note: (\*) has to be computed in the correct order: Firstly, all the u in the second row (n = 1), then in the third (n = 2) and so on.





### Exercise (Forward Euler FD method)

Using the explicit method approximate the Cauchy-Dirichlet problem

$$\partial_{xx} u - \partial_t u = 0,$$
  $(x, t) \in (-a, a) \times (0, T]$   $(*)$ 
 $u(x, 0) = (e^x - 1)^+,$   $x \in [-a, a]$ 
 $u(x, t) = (e^x - 1)^+,$   $(x, t) \in -a, a \times [0, T]$ 

and write a matlab function

function U=heat(a,T,M,N)

where  $U_{i,n} \simeq u(x_i, t_n)$  and

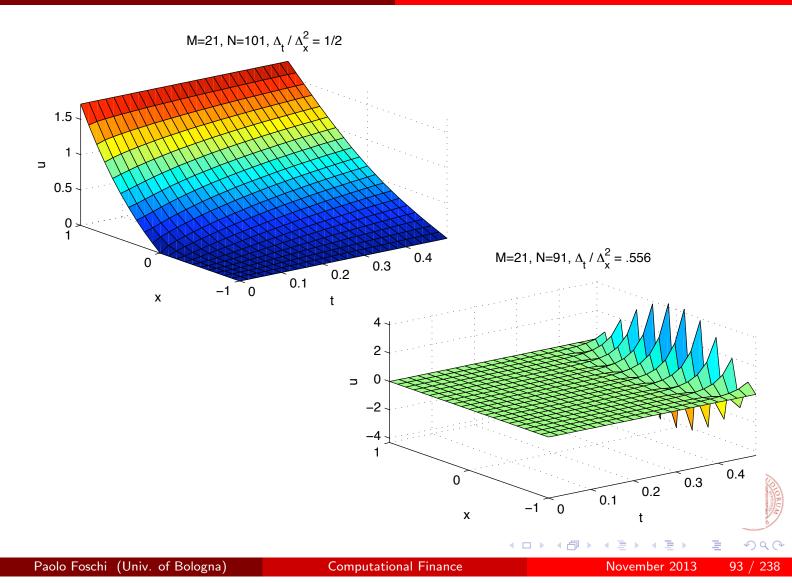
$$x_i = -a + (i-1)\Delta_x,$$
  $\Delta_x = \frac{2a}{M-1},$   $i = 1, \ldots, M$ 

$$t_n = (n-1)\Delta_t,$$
  $\Delta_t = \frac{T}{N-1},$   $n = 1, \ldots, N$ 

Test the function with  $a=1,\ T=0.5,\ M=21,\ N=151,101,91$  and draw  $\theta$  as a surface (see mesh and surf)



```
heat.m
function V = heat( a,T, M,N )
%% Initializations
dx = (2*a)/(M-1);
                   dt = T/(N-1);
V = zeros(M,N);
nu = dt/(dx*dx);
x = linspace(-a,a,M);
V(:,1) = \max(\exp(x)-1,0);
%% Compute V(:,2), ..., V(:,N)
for n=2:N
 V(1,n) = V(1,1);
 V(M,n) = V(M,1);
  V(2:M-1,n) = (1-2*nu)*V(2:M-1,n-1) + nu*V(1:M-2,n-1) ...
                + nu * V (3:M,n-1);
end
```



## Finite differences - trinomial connection

Finite Differences  $(\nu = \Delta_t/\Delta_x^2)$ :

• 
$$u_{i,n+1} = v u_{i-1,n} + (1-2v)u_{i,n} + v u_{i+1,n}$$

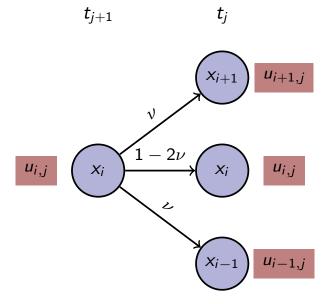
• 
$$x_i = a + (i-1)\Delta_x$$
,  $t_n = (n-1)\Delta_t$ 

- Usually domain is a rectangle
- Border conditions can be imposed
- ullet  $\{
  u,1-2
  u,
  u\}$  probability when 2
  u<1

Trinomial Tree:

$$\bullet$$
  $v_{i,m-1} = q_1 v_{i-1,m} + q_2 v_{i,m} + q_3 v_{i+1,m}$ 

- Probability:  $0 \le q_i \le 1$  e  $\sum_i q_i = 1$
- Backward: m = N + 1 n
- Domain is triangular





# Consistency

What is the error at each step?

- Let U be the solution to the PDE  $\partial_{xx}U-\partial_tU=0$  with the appropriate border conditions
- $\delta_{xx}^{o} \delta_{t}^{+}$  discrete operator
- Truncation error:  $\mathcal{T}(x,t) = \delta_{xx}^{o} U(x,t) \delta_{t}^{+} U(x,t)$
- Facts:  $\delta_{xx}^o U = \partial_{xx} U + O(\Delta_x^2)$  and  $\delta_t^+ U = \partial_t U + O(\Delta_t)$
- Thus,  $\mathcal{T}(x,t) = O(\Delta_t) + O(\Delta_x^2)$

Consistency:  $\mathcal{T}(x,t) o 0$  for  $\Delta_t o 0$  and  $\Delta_x o 0$ 

• But  $\Delta_t \to 0$  implies  $N \to \infty$ : consistency is not sufficient, errors may accumulate



# Stability

- U and u solve  $(\partial_{xx} \partial_t)U = 0$  and  $(\delta_t^+ \delta_{xx}^o)u = 0$ , resp.
- Error:  $e_{i,n} = u_{i,n} U(x_i, t_n)$

Convergence:  $e_{i,n} \to 0$  when  $\Delta_t \to 0$  and  $\Delta_x \to 0$ .

- Recall  $\mathcal{T} = (\delta_t^+ \delta_{xx}^o) U(x_i, t_n) = O(\Delta_t + \Delta_x^2)$
- Thus

$$\begin{split} (\delta_{t}^{+} - \delta_{xx}^{o})e_{i,n} &= (\delta_{t}^{+} - \delta_{xx}^{o})u_{i,n} + (\delta_{t}^{+} - \delta_{xx}^{o})U(x_{i}, t_{n}) = \mathcal{T} \\ \frac{e_{i,n+1} - e_{i,n}}{\Delta_{t}} &= \frac{e_{i+1,n} - 2e_{i,n} + e_{i-1,n}}{\Delta_{x}^{2}} + \mathcal{T} \\ e_{i,n+1} &= \nu e_{i-1,n} + (1 - 2\nu)e_{i,n} + \nu e_{i-1,n} + \mathcal{T} \\ |e_{i,n+1}| &\leq \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + |(1 - 2\nu)e_{i,n}| + \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + \Delta_{t}\mathcal{T} \end{split}$$



$$|e_{i,n+1}| \le \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + |(1-2\nu)e_{i,n}| + \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$$

- If  $\nu \le 1/2$  then  $|(1-2\nu)e_{i,n}| = (1-2\nu)|e_{i,n}|$  so that  $|e_{i,n+1}| \le \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + (1-2\nu)|e_{i,n}| + \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$
- Define  $E_n = \max_i |e_{i,n}|$ , thus

$$|e_{i,n+1}| \le \nu E_n + (1-2\nu)E_n + \nu E_n + \Delta_t \mathcal{T} = E_n + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$$
  
 $E_{n+1} \le E_n + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$ 

- Starting  $E_0=0$ , after n steps  $E_n \leq n\Delta_t \mathcal{T}$
- ullet Fixing the time  $t^*$ ,  $n=t^*/\Delta_t$  and

$$E_{t^*} \leq t^* \mathcal{T} = t^* O(\Delta_t + \Delta_x^2) o 0 \quad \text{for } \Delta_t o 0 \text{ and } \Delta_x o 0$$

ullet Remark:  $\Delta_t$  and  $\Delta_x$  converge to 0 conditionally on  $\Delta_t/\Delta_x^2 < 1/2$ 



## Matrix Form

The explicit method recurs:

$$u_{1,n+1} = u_{1,n} + b_1,$$
  $b_1 = (\phi_a(t_{n+1}) - \phi_a(t_n))$   
 $u_{i,n+1} = u_{i,n} + \nu u_{i-1,n} - 2\nu u_{i,n} + \nu u_{i+1,n},$   $n = 2, ..., M$   
 $u_{M,n+1} = u_{M,n} + b_M,$   $b_M = (\phi_b(t_{n+1}) - \phi_b(t_n))$ 

Example, for M = 5:

$$u_{1,n+1} = u_{1,n}$$
  $+b_1$   
 $u_{2,n+1} = u_{2,n}$   $+\nu u_{1,n} - 2\nu u_{2,n} + \nu u_{3,n}$   
 $u_{3,n+1} = u_{3,n}$   $+\nu u_{2,n} - 2\nu u_{3,n} + \nu u_{4,n}$   
 $u_{4,n+1} = u_{4,n}$   $+\nu u_{3,n} - 2\nu u_{4,n} + \nu u_{5,n}$   
 $u_{5,n+1} = u_{5,n}$   $+b_5$ 

In matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n+1} \\ u_{2,n+1} \\ u_{3,n+1} \\ u_{4,n+1} \\ u_{5,n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n} \\ u_{2,n} \\ u_{3,n} \\ u_{4,n} \\ u_{5,n} \end{pmatrix} + \nu \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n} \\ u_{2,n} \\ u_{3,n} \\ u_{4,n} \\ u_{5,n} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ b_5 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n+1} \\ u_{2,n+1} \\ u_{3,n+1} \\ u_{4,n+1} \\ u_{5,n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n} \\ u_{2,n} \\ u_{3,n} \\ u_{4,n} \\ u_{5,n} \end{pmatrix} + \nu \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,n} \\ u_{2,n} \\ u_{3,n} \\ u_{4,n} \\ u_{5,n} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ b_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

with the appropriate definitions it can be written as

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + \nu \tilde{A} u_n + b = (I + \nu \tilde{A}) u_n + b$$

where

- $u_n: M \times 1$  contains the solution at time  $t_n$
- $\tilde{A}: M \times M$  is a tridiagonal matrix
- $b: M \times 1$  contains the contribution from the border conditions
- $A = I + \nu \tilde{A}$  is the tridiagonal matrix:



## Implicit method

- $\partial_{xx}u \partial_t u = 0$  is approximated by  $\partial_{xx}^o u \partial_t^- u = 0$
- Specifically

$$\frac{u(x,t)-u(x,t-\Delta_t)}{\Delta_t}-\frac{u(x+\Delta_x,t)-2u(x,t)+u(x-\Delta_x,t)}{\Delta_x^2}=$$

• which on the grid points  $(x_i, t_n)$  can be written as

$$\frac{u_{i,n} - u_{i,n-1}}{\Delta_t} - \frac{u_{i+1,n} - 2u_{i,n} + u_{i-1,n}}{\Delta_x^2} = 0$$

• or

$$-
u u_{i-1,n}+(1+2
u)u_{i,n}-
u u_{i+1,n}=u_{i,n-1}$$
 where  $u=\Delta_t/\Delta_{ imes}^2$ 





#### Finite Differences Implicit Method

• Linear system with 
$$M$$
 equations and  $M$  unknowns  $\{u_{i,n}, i=1,\ldots,M\}$  
$$\begin{cases} u_{1,n} &= u_{1,n-1}+b_1\\ -\nu u_{i-1,n}+(1+2\nu)u_{i,n}-\nu u_{i+1,n} &= u_{i,n-1}\\ u_{M,n} &= u_{M,n-1}+b_M \end{cases}$$
  $i=2,\ldots,$ 

where  $b_1=\phi_{a}(t_n)-\phi_{a}(t_{n-1})$  and  $b_M=\phi(t_n)-\phi(t_{n-1})$ 

- or  $Au_n = u_{n-1} + b$
- A is tridiagonal
- Solving an  $M \times M$  linear system requires  $O(M^3)$
- Solving Tridiagonal systems requires O(M) (see Golub and Van Loan)



### Finite Differences Implicit Method

• Example (M = 5):

$$u_{1,n}$$
  $= u_{1,n-1} + u_{2,n} - \nu u_{1,n} + 2\nu u_{2,n} - \nu u_{3,n}$   $= u_{2,n-1} + u_{2,n-1} + 2\nu u_{2,n} - \nu u_{3,n} - \nu u_{4,n}$   $= u_{3,n-1} + 2\nu u_{4,n} - \nu u_{5,n} = u_{4,n-1} + u_{5,n}$   $= u_{5,n-1} + u_{5,n}$ 

•  $u_n - \nu \tilde{A} u_n = u_{n-1} + b$  where

$$ilde{A} = \left( egin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & & & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & & 0 & 0 & & \end{array} 
ight)$$

- or:  $Au_j = u_{j-1} + b$ , where  $A = I \nu \hat{A}$
- Implicit method:
  - **1** Put initial conditions in  $u_1$
  - ② For j = 2, ..., N solve  $Au_i = u_{i-1} + b$





# Stability of implicit method

- ullet Truncation error:  $\mathcal{T} = O(\Delta_{\scriptscriptstyle X}^2 + \Delta_{\scriptscriptstyle t})$
- The error satisfy

$$(1+2\nu)e_{i,n} = e_{i,n-1} + \nu e_{i-1,n} + \nu e_{i+1,n} + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$$
  
$$(1+2\nu)|e_{i,n}| \le |e_{i,n-1}| + \nu |e_{i-1,n}| + \nu |e_{i+1,n}| + \Delta_t \mathcal{T},$$

setting  $E_n = \max_i e_{i,n}$ ,

$$(1+2\nu)E_j \leq E_{n-1} + \nu E_{n-1} + \nu E_{n-1} + \Delta_t \mathcal{T}$$

$$E_n \leq E_{n-1} + \mathcal{T}$$

$$E_n \leq E_1 + (n-1)\Delta_t \mathcal{T}$$

ullet For a fixed time  $t^*$   $(n-1=t^*/\Delta_t)$  and for exact initial conditions

$$E_n \leq t^* \mathcal{T} \to 0$$

• No restriction on  $\Delta_t$  and  $\Delta_x$ : the method is unconditionally stable



```
heatbw.m
function V = heatbw( a,T, M,N )
%% Initializations:
                   dt = T/(N-1);
dx = (2*a)/(M-1);
V = zeros(M,N);
nu = dt/(dx*dx);
x = linspace(-a,a,M);
V(:,1) = \max(\exp(x)-1,0);
A = - diag(ones(M-1,1),1) + 2*eye(M) - diag(ones(M-1,1),-1);
A(1,:) = 0;
A(end,:) = 0;
A = eye(M) - nu*A;
%% Compute V(:,2), ..., V(:,N)
for n=2:N
  V(:,n) = A \setminus V(:,n-1);
end
```

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```
heatbw2.m
function v = heatbw2( a,T, M,N )
%% Initializations
dx = (2*a)/(M-1); dt = T/(N-1);
nu = dt/(dx*dx);
x = linspace(-a,a,M);
v = \max(\exp(x) - 1, 0);
A = - diag(ones(M-1,1),1) + 2*eye(M) - diag(ones(M-1,1),-1);
A(1,:) = 0;
A(end,:) = 0;
A = eye(M) - nu*A;
%% Compute V(:,2), ..., V(:,N)
for n=2:N
  v = A \setminus v;
end
```

## Border conditions

- Until now, only explicit bc have been used:  $u(x,t) = \phi(t)$
- Let consider now the bc  $\partial_x u(x,t) = c$  on the left border x = a
- At the border it holds

$$egin{aligned} \partial_{xx}u(a,t)&=rac{\partial_{x}u(a+\Delta_{x},t)-\partial_{x}u(a,t)}{\Delta_{x}}+O(\Delta_{x})\ &=rac{u(a+\Delta_{x},t)-u(a,t)}{\Delta_{x}^{2}}-rac{c}{\Delta_{x}}+O(\Delta_{x}) \end{aligned}$$

ullet thus  $\partial_t u - \partial_{xx} u$  can be approximated at  $(a,t_j)$  as

$$u_{1,j+1}=u_{1,j}+
u u_{2,j}-
u u_{1,j}-rac{\Delta_t}{\Delta_x}c$$
 explicit method  $u_{1,j}-
u u_{2,j}+
u u_{1,j}=u_{1,j-1}-rac{\Delta_t}{\Delta_x}c$  implicit method



### Black and Scholes

Black & Scholes: the price of an European option solves

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t V + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} S^2 \partial_{SS} V + (r - q) S \partial_S V - rV = 0 \\ V(S, T) = \phi(S) \end{cases}$$

- t time
- T expiry dell'opzione
- S value of the underlying
- $\bullet$   $\sigma$  volatility
- r risk-free interest rate
- q dividend rate

• 
$$\phi(S)$$
 option payoff  $\phi(S) = \begin{cases} \max(S - K, 0), & \text{call} \\ \max(K - S, 0), & \text{put} \end{cases}$ 

K exercise price or strike



# **B&S** and Change of Variables

$$\partial_t V + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} S^2 \partial_{SS} V + (r - q) S \partial_S V - rV = 0$$

First approach: r = q = 0

- $x = \log(S)$ ,
- $\bullet$   $\tau = T t$ .
- $V(S,t) = u(\log(S), T-t)$
- $\partial_t V = -\partial_\tau u$ ,  $\partial_S V = \frac{1}{\varsigma} \partial_{\varsigma} u$ ,  $\partial_{SS} V = \frac{1}{\varsigma^2} (\partial_{\varsigma \varsigma} u \partial_{\varsigma} u)$

$$\partial_{\tau}u - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}(\partial_{xx}u - \partial_x u) = 0$$

ullet Work even when  $\sigma$  is non-constant



# **B&S** and Change of Variables

$$\partial_t V + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} S^2 \partial_{SS} V + (r - q) S \partial_S V - rV = 0$$

Second approach (r = q = 0)

$$\bullet \ \ x = \log(S) - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}(T - t),$$

$$\bullet \ \tau = T - t$$

• 
$$V(S,t) = u(x,\tau)$$

• 
$$\partial_t V = -\partial_\tau u + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\partial_x u$$
,  $\partial_{SS} V = \frac{1}{S^2}(\partial_{xx} u - \partial_x u)$ 

$$\partial_{\tau}u - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\partial_{xx}u = 0$$



$$\partial_t V + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} S^2 \partial_{SS} V + (r - q) S \partial_S V - rV = 0$$

- General case:  $r \neq 0$  e  $q \neq 0$ 
  - $x = \log(S) + (r q \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T t), \quad \tau = T t, \quad V(S, t) = e^{-r\tau}u(x, \tau)$
  - $\partial_t V = e^{-r\tau} \left( -\partial_\tau u \left( r q \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) \partial_x u \right) + r e^{-r\tau} u$ ,
  - $S\partial_S V = e^{-r\tau}(\partial_X u), \quad S^2 \partial_{SS} V = e^{-r\tau}(\partial_{xx} u \partial_X u)$  $\Rightarrow \partial_\tau u - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \partial_{xx} u = 0$
- Backward/forward prices:

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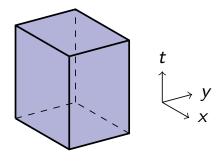
$$x = \log(e^{(r-q)(T-t)}S) + \text{adj}, \quad V = e^{-r(T-t)}u$$

- Homogeneity: using log(S/K) give same results
- Exercise: by solving a single Cauchy problem compute prices of a set of call options with different exercise prices and different maturities.

# Two dimensional heat equation

- 2D:  $\partial_t u \partial_{xx} u \partial_{yy} u = 0$
- Domain:  $[x_a, x_b] \times [y_a, y_b] \times [0, T]$
- Discretization:

$$x_i = x_a + (i-1)\Delta_x,$$
  $i = 1, ..., I,$   
 $y_j = y_a + (j-1)\Delta_y,$   $j = 1, ..., J,$   
 $t_n = (n-1)\Delta_t,$   $n = 1, ..., N,$   
 $u_{ij}^n = u(x_i, y_j, t_n)$ 



• Numerical methods  $(\nu = \Delta_t/\Delta_x^2)$  and  $\Delta_x = \Delta_y$ :

Explicit
$$u_{ij}^{n+1} - u_{ij}^{n} = \nu(u_{i+1,j}^{n} + u_{i-1,j}^{n} + u_{i,j+1}^{n} + u_{i,j-1}^{n} - 4u_{i,j}^{n})$$
Implicit:
$$u_{ij}^{n} - u_{ij}^{n-1} = \nu(u_{i+1,j}^{n} + u_{i-1,j}^{n} + u_{i,j+1}^{n} + u_{i,j-1}^{n} - 4u_{i,j}^{n})$$



Finite Differences

Bi-dimensional equations

# 2D Heat: matlab implementation

- $u_{ij}^n$  needs an  $I \times J \times N$  array
- ullet otherwise, only the current step has to be stored:  $\mathtt{U}(\mathtt{i},\mathtt{j})=u_{ii}^n$
- The algorithm core is:

```
for n=2:N
  for i=2:I-1
    for j=2:J-1
       Unew(i,j) = (1-4*nu)*U(i,j) + ...
            nu*( U(i-1,j)+U(i+1,j)+U(i,j-1)+U(i,j+1) );
  end
  end
end
%% Add border conditions

U = Unew;
end
```

### Exercise

Approximate numerically the Cauchy problem

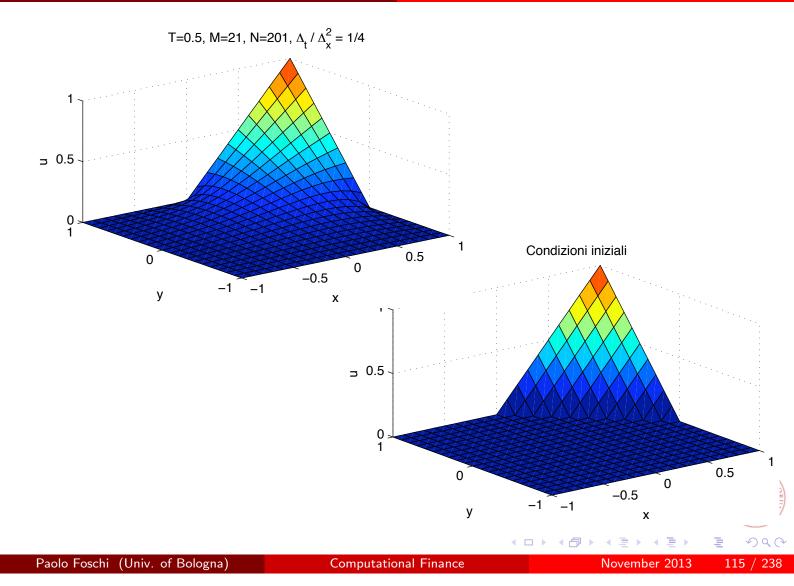
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \partial_{xx} u - \partial_{yy} u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times [0, T] \\ u(x, y, 0) = \max(x + y - 2, 0), & \text{per } (x, y) \in \Omega \\ u(x, y, t) = \max(x + y - 2, 0), & \text{per } (x, y) \in \partial \Omega \text{ e } t \in [0, T] \end{cases}$$
 where  $\Omega = [-a, a] \times [-a, a]$ .

## Remark

The stability condition is now  $\Delta_t \leq \frac{1}{4}\Delta_x^2$ 



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heat2d.m
function U = heat2d(a,T, I, N)
dx = 2*a/(I-1);
                dt = T/(N-1); \quad ni = dt/(dx*dx);
x = linspace(-a,a,I);
[X,Y] = meshgrid(x,x);
U = \max(X+Y-1,0);
Unew = U;
for n=2:N
  for i=2:I-1
    for j=2:I-1
      Unew(i,j) = (1-4*ni)*U(i,j) + ...
          ni * (U(i-1,j)+U(i+1,j)+U(i,j-1)+U(i,j+1));
    end
  end
  U = Unew;
end
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# 2d heat: implicit method

• Problem: rewrite in matrix form the following system

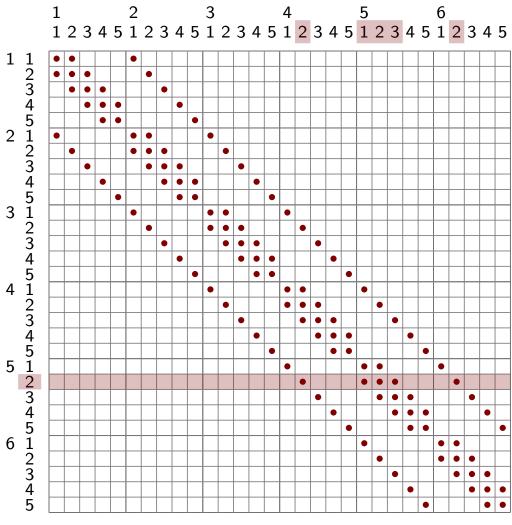
$$u_{ij}^{n} - u_{ij}^{n-1} = \nu(u_{i+1,j}^{n} + u_{i-1,j}^{n} + u_{i,j+1}^{n} + u_{i,j-1}^{n} - 4u_{i,j}^{n})$$

• The  $I \times J$  matrix  $u_{ij}$  (i = 1, ..., I, j = 1, ..., J) needs to be transformed into a  $IJ \times 1$  vector





Finite Differences Bi-dimensional equations





### Exercise

Approximate and numerically solve the Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \partial_{xx} u - \partial_y u = 0 & on \ \Omega \times [0, T] \\ u(x, y, 0) = 1 & for \ x \ge 0 \ and \ y \ge 0 \\ u(x, y, 0) = 0 & for \ x < 0 \ or \ y < 0 \\ u(x, y, t) = u(x, y, 0) & for \ (x, y) \in \partial \Omega \ and \ t \in [0, T] \end{cases}$$

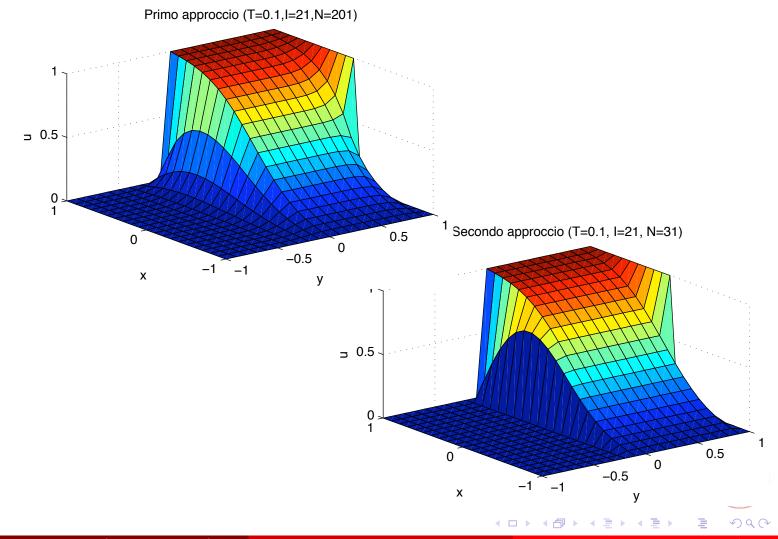
where  $\Omega = [-a, a] \times [-a, a]$ .

### Remark

The terms  $\partial_t u - \partial_y u$  can be approximated:

- Independently:  $\partial_t u \simeq \delta_t^{\pm} u$  and  $\partial_y u \simeq \delta_y^{\pm o} u$ In that case the direction of the discretization is critical for stability.
- Jointly:

let 
$$f(s) = u(x, y - s, t + s)$$
 then  $f'(0) = \partial_t u(x, y, t) - \partial_y u(x, y, t)$ , so that  $\partial_t u - \partial_y u \simeq \Delta_t^{-1}(u(x, y - \Delta_t, t + \Delta_t) - u(x, y, t))$ 



**Numerical Integration** 

# **Expected Values and Numerical Integration**

### Problem

Compute the expected value

$$E[f(X)]$$
, where  $X \sim P$ 

or equivalently

$$\int_{\Omega} f(x) dP(x)$$

### Can be computed

- explicitly
- numerically
- numerically approximated





Newton-Côtes approximation methods: polynomial interpolation of $f(x)$				
Method		Approximation	Bound  E	
Mid Point	-h 0 $h$	2 <i>hf</i> (0)	$\frac{1}{3}h^3\ f''\ _{\infty}$	
Trapezoidal	-h 0 $h$	h(f(-h)+f(h))	$\frac{2}{3}h^3\ f''\ _{\infty}$	
Simpson	-h $0$ $h$	$\frac{h}{3}\big(f(-h)+4f(0)+f(h)\big)$	$O(h^5   f^{(4)}  _{\infty})$	

#### Monte Carlo Numerical Integration

- Newton-Cotes: good for small *h*, but for large *h*?
- Solution:

Uniformly partition the domain:

$$[a, b] = [x_0, x_1] \cup [x_1, x_2] \cup \cdots \cup [x_{M-1}, x_M],$$

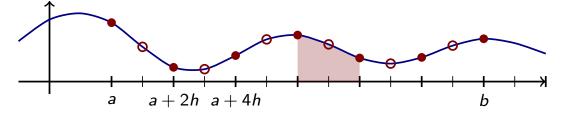
where 
$$x_i = a + ih$$
,  $h = (b - a)/M$ 

Then, apply a Newton Cotes integration to each interval

- Notice,
  - there may be more sampling points than intervals (e.g. Simpson)
  - the points may have different weights

• 
$$\int_a^b f(x) = \sum_i \int_{x_{2i}}^{x_{2i+2}} f(x) = \sum_i w_i f_i + o(h^{\alpha}),$$

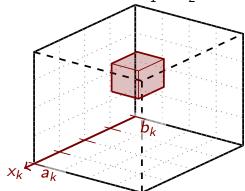
$$x_i = a + ih,$$
  
 $h = (b - a)/M$ 





## Integration in $\mathbb{R}^n$

• Compute  $\int_{a_1}^{b_1} \int_{a_2}^{b_2} \cdots \int_{a_n}^{b_n} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$ , with  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \end{pmatrix}$ 



• Partition each  $[a_k, b_k]$  into M intervals:

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i_1} \sum_{i_2} \cdots \sum_{i_n} w_I f(\mathbf{x}_I), \quad I = (i_1, \ldots, i_n).$$

- The domains is partitioned into  $M^n$  cubes
- Need to compute f for  $O(M^n)$  points
- Precision:  $O(M^{-\alpha})$
- Computing time:  $O(M^n)$
- The precision is  $O(t_c^{-lpha/n})$  for given computing time  $t_c$
- ullet The computational complexity is  $O(e^{np/lpha})$  for a given precision  $10^{-p}$



## Mid point rule

By approximating f(x) with a constant p(x) = f(0), it results

$$f(x) = p(x) + \epsilon,$$

$$\epsilon = x f'(0) + \frac{1}{2}x^2f''(\xi)$$

$$I(h)=2h\,f(0)+E,$$

$$|E| \leq \frac{1}{3}h^3||f''||_{\infty}$$



### Trapezoidal rule

Linearly approximate 
$$f(x)$$
:  $p(x) = \frac{h-x}{2h}f(-h) + \frac{h+x}{2h}f(h)$ :

$$f(x) = p(x) + \epsilon,$$
 
$$\epsilon = \frac{h^2 - x^2}{2} x^2 f''(\xi)$$

$$I(h) = h(f(-h) + f(h)) + E,$$
  $|E| \le \frac{2}{3}h^3||f''||_{\infty}$ 

#### Proof.

By Taylor:

$$f(-h) = f(x) - (h+x)f'(x) + \epsilon_1, \quad \epsilon_1 = \frac{1}{2}(h+x)^2 f''(\xi_1)$$

$$f(h) = f(x) + (h-x)f'(x) + \epsilon_2, \quad \epsilon_2 = \frac{1}{2}(h-x)^2 f''(\xi_2)$$

so that

$$p(x) := \frac{h-x}{2h}f(-h) + \frac{h+x}{2h}f(h) = f(x) + 0 \cdot f'(x) + \epsilon,$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{h^2 - x^2}{2} \left(\frac{h+x}{2h}f''(\xi_1) + \frac{h-x}{2h}f''(\xi_2)\right) = \frac{h^2 - x^2}{2}f''(\xi), \quad \xi \in [-h, h].$$

Furthermore  $|E| = \frac{1}{2} |\int_{-h}^{h} (h^2 - x^2) f''(\xi)| \le \frac{2}{3} h^3 ||f''||_{\infty}$ Paolo Foschi (Univ. of Bologna)

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Let consider now the Taylor expansion of the  $I(h) := \int_{-h}^{h} f(x)$  near h = 0

$$I(h) = I(0) + hI'(0) + \frac{1}{2}h^2I''(0) + \frac{1}{3!}h^3I^{(3)}(0) + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}h^nI^{(n)}(0) + R_n$$

where  $R_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} h^{n+1} I^{(n+1)}(\xi)$ , for  $\xi \in [0, h]$ ,

In order The derivatives of I(h) are given by

$$I'(h) = f(h) + f(-h) \qquad I'(0) = 2f(0)$$

$$I''(h) = f'(h) - f'(-h) \qquad I''(0) = 0$$

$$I^{(3)}(h) = f''(h) + f''(-h) \qquad I'(0) = 2f''(0)$$

$$I^{(4)}(h) = f^{(3)}(h) - f^{(3)}(-h) \qquad I''(0) = 0$$

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$I^{(k)}(h) = f^{(k-1)}(h) + f^{(k-1)}(-h) \qquad I^{(k)}(0) = 2f^{(k-1)}(0) \qquad k \text{ dispari}$$

$$I^{(k)}(h) = f^{(k-1)}(h) - f^{(k-1)}(-h) \qquad I^{(k)}(0) = 0 \qquad k \text{ pari}$$

#### Monte Carlo Numerical Integration

So that the Taylor expansion of  $I(h) = \int_{-h}^{h} f(x)$  becomes

$$I(h) = hI'(0) + \frac{h^3}{3!}I^{(3)}(0) + \frac{h^5}{5!}I^{(5)}(0) + \dots + \frac{h^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}I^{(2k+1)}(0) + R_{2k}$$

$$= 2hf(0) + \frac{h^3}{3}f''(0) + \frac{2h^5}{5!}f^{(4)}(0) + \dots + \frac{2h^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!}f^{(2k)}(0) + R_{2k-1}$$

where  $R_{2k+1} = \frac{2h^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} f^{2k}(\xi)$  and  $\xi \in [0, h]$ .

$$k = 1$$
 Mid point rule:  $I(h) = 2hf(0) + \frac{h^3}{3}f''(\xi)$   
 $k = 2$  Simpson rule:  $I(h) = 2hf(0) + \frac{h^3}{3}f''(0) + \frac{2h^5}{5!}f^{(4)}(\xi)$ 

- Need f''(0)
- Can be approximated by differences





## Simpson rule

$$I(h) = 2hf(0) + \frac{h^3}{3}f''(0) + O(h^5||f^{(4)}||_{\infty})$$
 (1)

From Taylor:

$$f(h) = f(0) + hf'(0) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(0) + \frac{h^3}{3!}f^{(3)}(0) + O(h^4||f^{(4)}||_{\infty})$$
  
$$f(-h) = f(0) - hf'(0) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(0) - \frac{h^3}{3!}f^{(3)}(0) + O(h^4||f^{(4)}||_{\infty})$$

whose sum gives

$$h^{2}f''(0) = f(-h) - 2f(0) + f(h) + O(h^{4}||f^{(4)}||_{\infty})$$
 (2)

By (??) and (??):

$$I(h) = \frac{h}{3} \left( f(-h) + 4f(0) + f(h) \right) + O(h^5 ||f^{(4)}||_{\infty})$$





## Trapezoidal Rule

Approximate f(x) by a linear function going through f(-h) e f(h)

$$g(x) = \alpha f(-h) + (1 - \alpha)f(h), \qquad \alpha = \frac{h - x}{2h}$$
 (3)

A Taylor expansion of f(h) e f(-h) on h = 0 gives

$$(h+x)\cdot f(h) = f(x) + (h-x)f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(h-x)^2 f''(x) + O((h-x)^3 || f'''||_{\infty}$$
$$(h-x)\cdot f(-h) = f(x) - (h+x)f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(h+x)^2 f''(x) + O((h+x)^3 || f'''||_{\infty}$$

whose sum gives

$$2hg(x) = 2hf(x) + 0f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(h^2 - x^2)2hf''(x) + O(h^4||f'''||_{\infty})$$
$$g(x) = f(x) + \frac{1}{2}(h^2 - x^2)f''(x) + O(h^3||f'''||_{\infty})$$



$$g(x) = f(x) + \frac{1}{2}(h^2 - x^2)f''(x) + O(h^3 ||f'''||_{\infty})$$

rearranging and integrating

$$I(h) = \int_{-h}^{h} g(x)dx + O(\|f''\|_{\infty}) \int_{-h}^{h} (h^2 - x^2)dx + \text{smaller terms}$$

and, from

$$\int_{-h}^{h} g(x)dx = h(f(-h) + f(h)) \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{-h}^{h} (h^2 - x^2)dx = 2h^3 - \frac{2}{3}h^3 = \frac{4}{3}h^3$$

it follows that

$$I(h) = h\bigg(f(h) + f(-h)\bigg) + O(h^3 ||f''||_{\infty})$$



## Monte Carlo Method

### Problem

Given

- ullet  $X:\Omega o\mathbb{R}^{ extstyle N}$  r.v. on a probability space  $(\Omega,\mathcal{F},P)$  and
- $ullet g: \mathbb{R}^N o \mathbb{R}$  such that  $ext{Var}[g(X)] = \sigma^2 < \infty$

Compute  $\theta = E[g(X)] = \int_{\Omega} g(X) dP$ 

## Monte Carlo Method

The Monte Carlo estimate of  $\theta$  is given by

$$\hat{\theta}_m = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m g(x_i),\tag{4}$$

where  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m$  are m independent occurrences of X



### Monte Carlo

$$\hat{\theta}_m = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m g(X_i), \qquad X_i \sim X \text{ and independent}$$
 (5)

Unbiased:  $E[\hat{\theta}_m] = \frac{1}{m} \sum_i E[g(X_i)] = E[g(X)] = \theta$ 

Efficiency:  $Var[\hat{\theta}_m] = \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_i Var[g(X_i)] = \frac{1}{m} Var[g(X)] = \frac{1}{m} \sigma^2$ 

The error  $\hat{\theta}_m - \theta$  can be bounded by

• Chebichev Theorem:  $P[|\hat{\theta}_m - \theta| \ge \varepsilon] \le \frac{\sigma}{\varepsilon^2 m}$  !check!

• Central Limit Theorem:  $\frac{\hat{\theta}_m - \theta}{\sigma/\sqrt{m}} \stackrel{d}{\longrightarrow} N(0,1)$ 

When unknown  $\sigma^2$  can be estimated as  $S^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i \left( g(x_i) - \hat{\theta}_m \right)^2$ 

## Pro and Cons

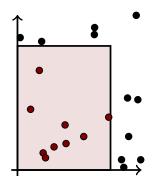
- ullet Pro: Require  $g\in\mathcal{L}^2$  not necessarily  $g\in\mathcal{C}$
- Pro: Error of order  $m^{-1/2}$ , not dep. on the domain dimension
- ullet Cons: probabilistic bound, the worst case error is  $\infty$
- Cons: the estimates depends on the generated random sequence
  - initial guess
  - "randomness" of the sequence





## Low-discrepancy sequences

- Consider  $P = \text{unif}([0,1]^N)$ .
- Let  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  be a N-dimensional rectangle parallel to the axes and with a vertex on the origin
- Discrepancy:  $D_m^* \equiv \sup_{Q} \left| \frac{\#\{x_i \in Q\}}{m} P[Q] \right|$



- Low discrepancy: uniformly distributed points
- Koksma-Hlawka:

$$|\theta_m - \theta| \le V(g) D_m^*, \tag{6}$$

where  $V(g) = \sup_{s} \sum_{i} |f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_{i})|$ , over all the sequences  $s = \{0 \equiv x_{1} < \cdots < x_{n} \equiv 1\}$ .

- Conjecture:  $D_m^* \leq C \log(m)^N/m$
- Optimal Sequences:

Faure, Halton, Hammersley, Sobol, Niederreiter and Van der Corput.

Monte Carlo Generating Random Variables

# Simulating a R.V. from a uniformly distributed R.V.

#### Lemma

Let  $X \sim D$  (with cdf D) and let  $U \sim \mathsf{Unif}(0,1)$ , if  $Y = D^{-1}(U)$  then  $X \sim Y$  equal in distribution

## Proof.

$$P[Y < y] = P[D^{-1}(U) < y] = P[U < D(y)] = \int_0^{D(y)} dx = D(y)$$
  
since  $0 \le D(y) \le 1$ 

- Work even if D is not continuous
- Often D is difficult to invert



## Antithetic Variables

#### Rationale

- ② g monotone then Cov[g(X), g(-X)] < 0

#### Example

Want to compute  $\theta = \mathsf{E}[g(X)]$  where  $X \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  and g is increasing

- Generate  $X_1, \ldots, X_{m/2} \sim N(0, \omega^2)$  i.i.d.
- Set  $X_{m/2+i} = -X_i$  for i = 1, ..., m/2
- Estimate  $\hat{\theta}_m = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m g(X_i)$

#### Properties:

- $\hat{\theta}_m$  is unbiased
- $Var[\hat{\theta}_m] = \frac{1}{m} Var[g(X)] + \frac{1}{m} Cov[g(X), g(-X))] \leq \frac{1}{m} Var[g(X)]$

#### Lemma

When g and h are increasing then  $E[g(X)h(X)] \ge E[g(X)] E[h(X)]$ 

#### Proof.

For any x, y:  $(g(x) - g(y))(h(x) - h(y)) \ge 0$ , thus for X, Y i.i.d.:  $(g(X) - g(Y))(h(X) - h(Y)) \ge 0$  and  $E[(g(X) - g(Y))(h(X) - h(Y))] \ge 0$   $E[g(X)h(X)] + E[g(Y)h(Y)] \ge E[g(Y)h(X)] + E[g(Y)h(X)]$  and from the independence of X and Y,  $E[g(X)h(X)] \ge E[g(X)] E[h(X)]$ 

Setting h(x) = -g(-x) and using the property Cov[g, h] = E[gh] - E[g] E[h] gives the following corollary.

## Corollary

If g is monotone then Cov[g(X), g(-X)] < 0

#### Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

Monte Carlo with Antithetic Variables (MC-AV)

- The Antithetic Variable method is a variance reduction technique
- Consists on generating the opposite samples  $X_i$  and  $-X_i$ .
- $\bullet$   $\hat{\theta}_m$  is unbiased when X symmetrically distributed (with 0 mean)

But, when X is not symmetrically distributed?

- Let  $X \sim P$  and g monotone
- Estimate the expected value of  $h(U) = g(P^{-1}(U)), U \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$
- ullet Generate opposite samples  $U_i$  and  $1-U_i$
- The MC-AV estimate is unbiased: E[h(1-U)] = E[h(U)] = E[g(X)]
- When g is monotone so is h and Cov[h(U), h(1-U)] < 0.
- Analogously: simulate  $X_i^+ = P^{-1}(U_i)$  and  $X_i^- = P^{-1}(1-U_i)$



Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

## Exercise

Compute the price  $C_{0,T}$  at time 0 of an European Call expiring at time T:

$$C_{0,T} = e^{-rT} E[(S_T - K)^+]$$

where  $S_T = S_0 \exp \left( (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T + \sigma \sqrt{T}Z \right)$ ,  $Z \sim N(0,1)$ .



## **Control Variates**

Consider the couple of random variables (X, Y)

- Known how to simulate (X, Y)
- a = E[X],  $Var[X] = \sigma_X^2$  and  $Cov[X, Y] = \sigma_{XY}$  are known
- $\Rightarrow$  Want to compute b = E[Y]

Monte Carlo:

- Simulate by MC  $(x_i, y_i) \sim (X, Y)$  i.i.d.
- $\hat{a} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i} x_{i}$   $\hat{b} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i} y_{i}$   $\operatorname{Cov}[\hat{a}, \hat{b}] = \frac{1}{m} \sigma_{XY}$

The error  $\hat{a} - a$  is known, use it to correct  $\hat{b}$ :  $\hat{b}_{CV} = \hat{b} - \beta(\hat{a} - a)$ 

- $\bullet \ \mathsf{E}[\hat{b}_{CV}] = b,$
- $Var[\hat{b}_{CV}] = \frac{1}{m}\sigma_Y^2 + \beta^2 \frac{1}{m}\sigma_X^2 2\beta \frac{1}{m}\sigma_{XY}^2$
- Variance is minimized by  $\beta = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X^2}$ :  $Var[\hat{b}_{CV}] = Var[\hat{b}] \frac{1}{m} \frac{\sigma_{XY}^2}{\sigma_X^2}$

#### Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

$$\hat{b}_{CV} = \hat{b} - \beta(\hat{a} - a), \qquad \beta = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X^2}, \qquad \mathsf{Var}[\hat{b}_{CV}] = \frac{1}{m} \left( \sigma_Y^2 - \frac{\sigma_{XY}^2}{\sigma_X^2} \right)$$

Only correlation matters:

$$\frac{\mathsf{Var}[\hat{b}_{CV}]}{\mathsf{Var}[\hat{b}]} = \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_{XY}^2}{\sigma_X^2 \sigma_Y^2}\right) = 1 - \rho_{XY}^2$$

- Usually,  $\sigma_X^2$  and  $\sigma_{XY}$  are unknown
- Solution: estimate  $\sigma_X^2$  and  $\sigma_{XY}$  from the generated sample:

• 
$$\hat{\sigma}_X^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i (x_i - \hat{a})^2$$
  
•  $\hat{\sigma}_{XY} = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i (x_i - \hat{a})(y_i - \hat{b})^2$ 

- $\beta$  is no longer constant but depends on the sample  $\{(x_i, y_i),$  $i=1,\ldots,m\}.$
- $\hat{b}_{CV}$  is unbiased only asymptotically.

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## Example (Asian Options)

- ullet Dynamics:  $dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t$  Geometric Brownian Motion
- *n* observation dates:  $t_i = i\Delta t$ ,  $\Delta t = T/n$

	Average	Fixed Strike	Floating Strike
Arithmetic	$A = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S_{t_i}$	$(A-K)^+$	$(S_T - A)^+$
Geometric	$G = \big(\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} S_{t_i}\big)^{\frac{1}{n}}$	$(G-K)^+$	$(S_T-G)^+$

Closed form expression for the fixed strike geometric average call:

$$C^{G}(S_{0},K,r,T,\sigma) = C^{BS}(S_{0},K,r,\tilde{T},\tilde{\sigma},\tilde{d}), \tag{7}$$

where 
$$\tilde{T} = \frac{n+1}{2n}T$$
,  $\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{2n+1}{3n}\sigma^2$ ,  $\tilde{d} = \frac{n-1}{6n}\sigma^2$ .

• Known how to simulate  $X = (G_T - K)^+$  and  $Y = (A_T - K)^+$ Known  $C^G = e^{-rT} E[X]$  compute  $C^A = e^{-rT} E[Y]$  • Problem: simulate  $S_{t_1}, S_{t_2}, \ldots, S_{t_n}$ :

$$\Rightarrow S_{t_{i+1}} = S_{t_i} \exp\left((r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\Delta t + \sigma(\Delta W_i)\right), \quad \Delta W_i \sim N(0, \Delta t), \text{ i.i.d.}$$

```
function [CArith,CGeom] = ...
    asian_mc( S0, K, sigma, r, T, n, m )

dt = T/n;
S = S0 * ones(m,1); G = ones(m,1); A = zeros(m,1);
for i=1:n
    dW = randn(m,1)*sqrt(dt);
S = S .* exp( (r - .5*sigma^2)*dt + sigma *dW );
G = G .* S;
A = A + S;
end
G = G.^(1/n); A = A/n;

CArith = exp(-r*T)*mean( max(A-K,0) );
CGeom = exp(-r*T)*mean( max(G-K,0) );
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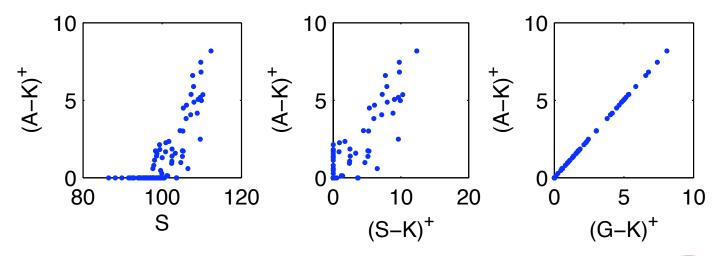
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#### Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

• Let consider three choices for the control variate:

Underlying  $S_T$   $e^{-rT} \, \mathsf{E}[S_T] = S_0$  European Call  $(S_T - K)^+$   $e^{-rT} \, \mathsf{E}[(S_T - K)^+]$  Black & Scholes Geometric Avg.  $(G - K)^+$   $e^{-rT} \, \mathsf{E}[(G - K)^+]$  Closed Form expr.

• Look at the relationships:



• The Geom. Avg. payoff has the strongest dependence



#### Algorithm:

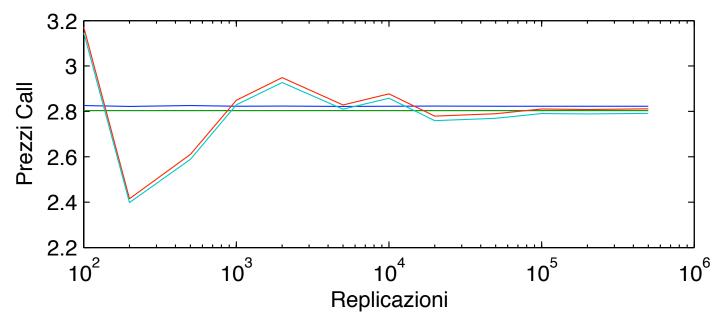
- Ompute the Geometric Average Call by mean the closed from expression
- ② Simulate m replications of  $S_{t_i}$ , A and G
- Ompute the Arithmetic and Geometric Average payoffs
- Ompute the two option prices as discounted expected values of the payoffs
- Ompute the variance of the discounted Geometric Avg. payoff
- Ompute the covariance of the two discounted payoffs
- Correct the Arithmetic option price by using the approximation error of the Geometric Call.



```
asian_mccv.m
function [CArithCV, CGeom, CArithMC, CGeomMC] = ...
    asian_mccv(SO, K, sigma, r, T, n, m)
% Compute exact value of Geometric call
TT = (n+1)/(2*n) * T;
sigmaa = sigma * sqrt((2*n+1)/(3*n));
d = (n-1)/(6*n)*sigma^2;
CGeom = blsprice( S0, K, r, TT, sigmaa, d );
% Compute Arith and Geom calls with MC
dt = T/n;
S = S0*ones(m,1);
G = ones(m,1);
A = zeros(m,1);
for i=1:n
  dW = randn(m,1)*sqrt(dt);
  S = S .*exp((r - .5*sigma^2)*dt + sigma *dW);
  G = G .* S; A = A + S;
end
```

```
asian_mccv.m
%% Compute Payoffs;
ArithPayoff = exp(-r*T)*max(A-K,0);
GeomPayoff = exp(-r*T)*max(G-K,0);
%% Compute sample mean, variance and covar.
CArithMC = mean(ArithPayoff);
CGeomMC = mean(GeomPayoff);
     = cov( ArithPayoff, GeomPayoff );
CovAG
VarG = CovAG(2,2);
CovAG = CovAG(1,2);
if (VarG>1e-7)
  CArithCV = CArithMC + CovAG/VarG *(CGeom - CGeomMC);
else
  CArithCV = CArithMC;
end
```

# Control Variates Convergence





## Multivariate CV

- X has values in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , E[X] = a
- Let  $Cov(X) = \Sigma_X : n \times n$ ,  $Cov(X, Y) = \sigma_{XY} : n \times 1$

$$\hat{b}_{CV} = \hat{b} - (\hat{a} - a)^T \beta, \qquad \beta = ?$$

- $Var(\hat{b}_{CV}) = Var(\hat{b}) + \beta^T Cov(\hat{a})\beta 2\beta^T Cov(\hat{a}, \hat{b})$
- $E[\hat{a}] = a$ ,
- $Cov(\hat{a}) = Cov(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i} x_i) = \frac{1}{m}Cov(x) = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{X} (x_i \sim i.i.d. X)$
- $Cov(\hat{a}, \hat{b}) = \frac{1}{m}\sigma_{XY}$
- ullet We want to find the value eta that minimize:

$$\phi(\beta) = \beta^T \Sigma_X \beta - 2\beta^T \sigma_{XY}$$



## Multivariate CV

#### Problem

Miminize

$$\phi(\beta) = \beta^T \Sigma_X \beta - 2\beta^T \sigma_{XY}$$

- ullet  $\Sigma_X$  is a covariance matrix, it is positive semidefinite and thus  $\phi$  is convex
- $\partial_{\beta}\phi = 2\Sigma_X\beta \sigma_{XY}$
- $\bullet \ \partial_{\beta}\phi = 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \beta = \Sigma_X^{-1}\sigma_{XY} \ \text{minimize} \ \phi$
- With this choice of  $\beta$ ,

$$\mathsf{Var}(\hat{b}_{CV}) = \mathsf{Var}(\hat{b}) - \frac{1}{m} \sigma_{XY}^{\mathcal{T}} \Sigma_{X}^{-1} \sigma_{XY}$$

• Let  $c_{XY}$  be the vector of correlations between X and Y and  $C_X$  be the correlation matrix of X, then

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{Var}}(\hat{b}_{CV}) = \operatorname{\mathsf{Var}}(\hat{b}) - \frac{1}{m}\operatorname{\mathsf{Var}}(y)c_{XY}^{\mathcal{T}}C_X^{-1}c_{XY}$$

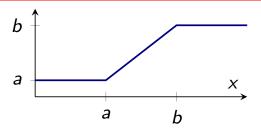


•  $\Sigma_X$  need to be positive definite (non-singular),

# **Exercise: Cliquet Option**

Define the truncating function:

$$(x)_{[a,b]} = \min(\max(x,a),b)$$



ullet Given the monitoring dates  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_{\mathcal{N}} = \mathcal{T}$  consider the returns

$$R_n = \frac{S_{t_n}}{S_{t_{n-1}}} - 1 \qquad \qquad n = 1, \dots, N$$

Compute the truncated returns (Cap/Floor)

$$R_n^* = (R_n)_{[F,C]}$$
  $F < C,$   $n = 1, ..., N$ 

Accumulate the returns and truncate

$$R_g = R_1^* + R_2^* + \dots + R_N^*, \qquad R_g^* = (R_g)_{[F_g, C_g]} \qquad F_g < C_g$$

• The Cliquet payoff is given by  $R_g^*$ 



```
function [res,R,Rg] = cliquet_mc( r,vol,t, C,F,Cg,Fg, m )

if( t(1) ~= 0);          t = [0;t(:)];          end

dt = diff(t);

n = length(dt);

R = nan(m,n);

for i=1:n
        z = randn(m,1);
        R(:,i) = exp( (r-.5*vol^2)*dt(i) + vol*sqrt(dt(i))*z) - 1;

end

R = min(max(R,F),C);

Rg = sum(R,2);

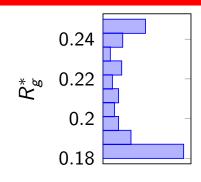
Rg = min(max(Rg,Fg),Cg);

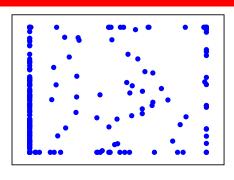
res = exp(-r*t(end))*mean(Rg);
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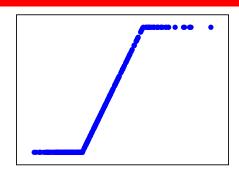


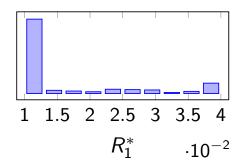


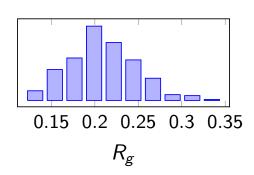
# Cliquet Options (cont.)











- Both  $R_1^*$  and  $R_g$  are candidates as control variates.
- $R_g$  much better than  $R_1^*$ :

$$corr(R_1^*, R_g^*) = .315$$

<<

$$\operatorname{corr}(R_g, R_g^*) = .946$$



## Cliquet Options

- ullet It is necessary to analytically compute the expected value of  $R_1$  or  $R_g$ .
- To this aim notice that, the truncating function can be rewritten as

$$(x)_{[a,b]} = a + (x-a)^{+} - (x-b)^{+},$$
  $b > a$ 

- And  $R_n^*$  consists on the difference of two call payoffs on  $R_n$
- Assume a B&S dynamics for  $S_t$ :

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma dW_t$$

then

$$R_n = \exp((r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(t_n - t_{n-1}) + \sigma(W_{t_n} - W_{t_{n-1}}) - 1$$

- $X_n = R_n + 1$ , (n = 1, ..., N) are independent and log-normally distributed.
- It follows that  $R_n^*$  is given by

$$R_n^* = F + (X_n - (F+1))^+ - (X_n - (C+1))^+, \quad n = 1, ..., N$$

#### Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

•  $R_n^*$  can be decomposed on a constant plus the difference of two calls:

$$R_n^* = F + (X_n - (F+1))^+ - (X_n - (C+1))^+,$$
  
 $X_n = \exp((r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(t_n - t_{n-1}) + \sigma(W_{t_n} - W_{t_{n-1}}))$ 

• Thus,  $E[R_n^*]$  and  $E[R_g] = \sum_n E[R_n^*]$  are given by B&S formulae:

$$\mathsf{E}[R_n^*] = F + e^{\Delta t_n} \Phi(d_+^{F,n}) - (F+1) \Phi(d_-^{F,n}) \ - e^{\Delta t_n} \Phi(d_+^{C,n}) + (C+1) \Phi(d_-^{C,n})$$

where  $\Delta t_n = t_n - t_{n-1}$ ,

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$$d_{\pm}^{F,n}=rac{-\log(F+1)+(r\pm\sigma^2/2)\Delta t_n}{\sqrt{\sigma^2\Delta t_n}}$$
 and  $d_{\pm}^{C,n}=rac{-\log(C+1)+(r\pm\sigma^2/2)\Delta t_n}{\sqrt{\sigma^2\Delta t_n}}.$ 

• All the  $R_n^*$  and the  $R_g$  can be used as control variables.





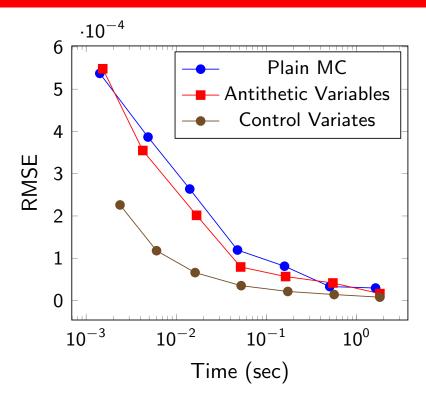
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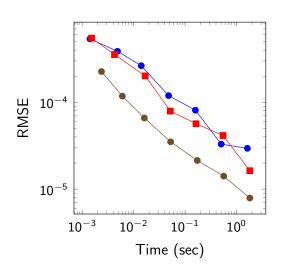
```
%% Compute the B&S prices
dfplus = (- log(F+1) + (r + .5*vol^2)*dt )./ (vol*sqrt(dt));
dfminus = dfplus - vol*sqrt(dt);
dcplus = (- log(C+1) + (r + .5*vol^2)*dt )./ (vol*sqrt(dt));
dcminus = dcplus - vol*sqrt(dt);

ExpRStar = F + exp(r*dt) .* (normcdf(dfplus) - normcdf(dcplus) - (F+1) * normcdf(dfminus) + (C+1) * normcdf(dcminus) + (C+1)
```



# Cliquet Options: Comparison of Methods





- $RMSE = \sqrt{\text{mean}(C_{MC} C_{best})^2}$
- Here computed over 20 different sets of simulations



# Stratified Sampling

• Partition the domain  $\Omega$ :

$$\Omega = igcup_{k=1}^K W_k, \quad W_k \cap W_j = \emptyset, \quad ext{for } k 
eq j = 1, \dots, K.$$

- $p_k = P[W_k]$  is known
- Bayes rule:

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$$\theta = E[g(X)] = \sum_{k} P[W_{k}] E[g(X)|W_{k}] = \sum_{k} p_{k}\theta_{k}.$$

- For each partition  $W_k$ , approximate  $\theta_k$  by MC:
  - Simulate  $x_1^k, x_2^k, \ldots, x_{m_k}^k \sim \text{i.i.d. } P_{|W_k|}$

• 
$$\hat{\theta}^k \equiv \frac{1}{m_k} \sum_i g(x_i^k) \sim N(\theta_k, \frac{1}{m_k} \sigma_k^2)$$

• 
$$\hat{\theta}^K = \sum_k p_k \hat{\theta}^k \sim N(\theta, \sum_k \frac{p_k}{m_k} \sigma_k^2)$$

• Increase  $m_k$  where  $\sigma_k^2$  is large



Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

# Example

Add examples



# Importance Sampling

Let consider the change of variables

$$\int_{\Omega} g(X)dP = \int_{\Omega} \frac{g(X)}{f(X)}dF, \qquad \mathsf{E}^P[g] = \mathsf{E}^F[g/f],$$

where  $E^P[f] = \int_{\Omega} f(X)dP = 1$  and fdP = dF.

- Use MC to compute the estimate  $\hat{\theta}_{IS}$  of  $\theta = E^{F}[g/f]$ 
  - Error has variance:  $Var[\hat{\theta}_{IS}] = \frac{1}{m} Var^{F}[g/f]$
- The optimal choice is f(x) = cg(x) (utopia)
- In practice f is chosen so that
  - f approximate |g|
  - F easy to simulate
  - f should not have a too fast decay



Monte Carlo Variance Reduction Techniques

# Example

Add examples



## Solutions to SDE

• Consider the Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE):

$$dX_t = a(X_t, t)dt + b(X_t, t)dW_t, \qquad X_0 = x_0$$

• We know the exact solution if we know a f such that

$$X_t = f(W_t, t), t \in [0, T]$$

or if we know the transition density function (TDF)

that is, the conditional density of  $X_s$  given  $X_t = x$ .

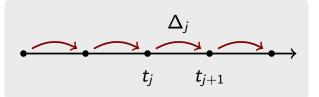


### **Euler Discretization**

SDE: 
$$dX_t = a(X_t)dt + b(X_t)dW_t$$
,  $X_0 = x_0$ 

• Time discretization:  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_j < \cdots < t_N = T$ 

$$\Delta_{j} = t_{j+1} - t_{j},$$
 $\Delta W_{j} = W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_{j}},$ 
 $\Delta X_{j} = X_{t_{j+1}} - X_{t_{j}}$ 



- Then  $\Delta W_i \sim N(0, \Delta_i)$  iid.
- Euler method: at each step freeze a and b at  $(X_{t_i})$ :

Euler: 
$$\Delta Y_j = a(Y_j, t_j)\Delta_j + b(Y_j, t_j)\Delta W_j$$
  $Y_0 = x_0$ 

or 
$$Y_{j+1} = Y_j + a(Y_j, t_j)\Delta_j + b(Y_j, t_j)\Delta W_j$$
  
where  $Y_j$  is the approximation to  $X_{t_j}$ .



### Example (Geometric Brownian Motion)

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t \qquad S_0 = s_0$$

Exact solution by Itô Lemma on  $X_t = \log(S_t)$ :

$$dX_t = \frac{\partial \log(S_t)}{\partial S_t} dS_t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \log(S_t)}{\partial S_t^2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{S_t} (\mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{S_t^2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 dt = (\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2) dt + \sigma dW_t$$

$$X_t - X_0 = (\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2) t + \sigma W_t$$

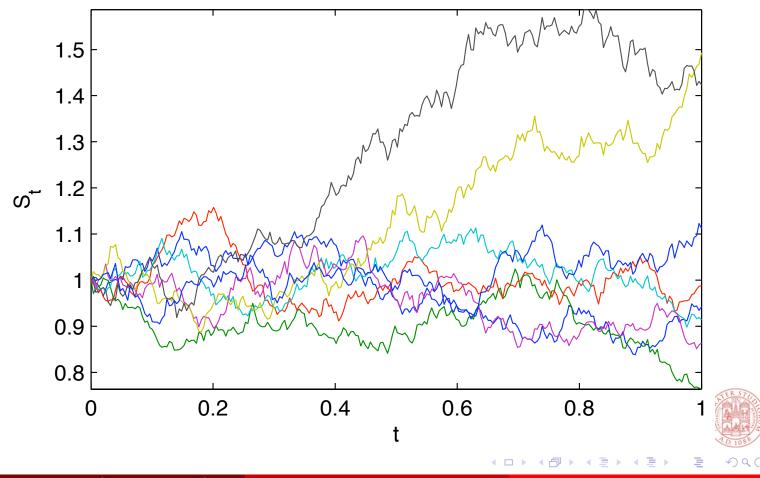
$$S_t = s_0 \exp\left((\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2) t + \sigma W_t\right)$$

Euler discretization:

$$Y_{n+1} - Y_n = \mu Y_n \Delta t + \sigma Y_n \Delta W_t, \qquad Y_0 = s_0$$



# Trajectories of Brownian motions



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### Exercise (European Call)

Compute  $C = e^{-rT} E^Q[(S_T - K)^+]$  where  $dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t^Q$  and  $S_0$  is given.

```
bs_euler.m
function [c,v] = bs_euler(S0, K, T, r, sigma, M, N)
dt = T/(N-1);
C = zeros(M,1);
for i=1:M
  %% simulation of the i-th scenario
 S = S0;
  for n=1:N-1
    dW = randn()*sqrt(dt);
    S = S*exp((r - .5*sigma^2)*dt + sigma*dW);
  end
 \%\% payoff in the i-th scenario
 C(i) = \max(S-K, 0);
end
             v = var(C);
c = mean(C);
```

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## Convergence

• Weak Convergence of order  $\gamma$ :

$$|\operatorname{\mathsf{E}}[
ho(Y_n)] - \operatorname{\mathsf{E}}[
ho(X_{t_n})]| \leq O(\Delta_t^{\gamma})$$

for all p smooth and with polynomial growth

• Strong Convergence of order  $\gamma$ :

$$\mathsf{E}[|Y_n - X_{t_n}|] \leq O(\Delta_t^{\gamma})$$

- Strong convergence is important if trajectories are of interest
- Weak convergence is important when expected values of functions of X are required





## Taylor formula and ODEs

- Consider the ODE:  $dX_t = a(X_t)dt$  or  $X_t X_0 = \int_0^t a(X_s)ds$
- Consider  $f(X_t)$  with  $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Thus:

$$df(X_t) = \partial_x f(X_t) dX_t = a(X_t) \partial_x f(X_t) dt$$

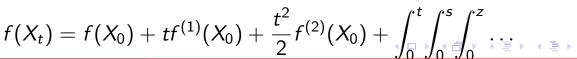
or, defining  $Lf(x) = a(x)\partial_x f(x)$ ,

$$f(X_t) = f(X_0) + \int_0^t Lf(X_s)ds \tag{8}$$

• Now, applying (??) to the integrand in  $f^{(1)} \equiv Lf$ , it holds<sup>1</sup>

$$f(X_t) = f(X_0) + \int_0^t f^{(1)}(X_0) ds + \int_0^t \int_0^s Lf^{(1)}(X_z) dz ds$$
$$= f(X_0) + tf^{(1)}(X_0) + \int_0^t \int_0^s f^{(2)}(X_z) dz ds$$

and so on:





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### Milstein method

• Itô formula for  $f(X_t)$ , where  $dX_t = a(X_t)dt + b(X_t)dW_t$ :

$$df(X_t) = \left(\underbrace{a_t \partial_x f(X_t) + \frac{1}{2} b_t^2 \partial_{xx} f(X_t)}_{L^0 f(X_t)}\right) dt + \underbrace{b \partial_x f(X_t)}_{L^1 f(X_t)} dW_t$$

$$f(X_{t+h}) = f(X_t) + \int_t^{t+h} L^0 f(X_s) ds + \int_t^{t+h} L^1 f(X_s) dW_s$$
 (9)

- Consider  $X_{t+h} = X_t + \int_t^{t+h} a(X_s) ds + \int_t^{t+h} b(X_s) dW_s$
- ullet Applying Itô to  $a_s\equiv a(X_s)$  and  $b_s\equiv b(X_s)$ , the latter becomes

$$X_{t+h} = X_t + \int_t^{t+h} \left( \underbrace{a_t + \int_t^s L^0 a_z dz + \int_t^s L^1 a_z dW_z}_{a_s} \right) ds$$

$$+\int_{t}^{t+h}\left(b_{t}+\int_{t}^{s}L^{0}b_{z}dz+\int_{t}^{s}L^{1}b_{z}dW_{z}\right)dW_{s}$$



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Recall

$$X_{t+h} = X_t + \int_t^{t+h} \left( a_t + \int_t^s L^0 a_z dz + \int_t^s L^1 a_z dW_z \right) ds$$
$$+ \int_t^{t+h} \left( b_t + \int_t^s L^0 b_z dz + \int_t^s L^1 b_z dW_z \right) dW_s$$

where  $L^0 = a \, \partial_x + \frac{1}{2} \, b^2 \, \partial_{xx}$  and  $L^1 = b \, \partial_x$ 

• Thus 
$$X_{t+h} = X_t + a_t h + b_t \Delta W_t + \int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s b_z \partial_x b_z dW_z dW_s + R$$

$$R = \int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s L^0 a_z dz ds + \int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s L^1 a_z dW_z ds + \int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s L^0 b_z dz dW_s$$

• From Itô expansion of  $b_z \partial_x b_z$  and  $\int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s dW_z dW_s = \frac{1}{2} ((\Delta W_t)^2 - h)$ :

$$X_{t+h} = X_t + a_t h + b_t \Delta W_t + \frac{1}{2} b_t \partial_{\times} b_t ((\Delta W_t)^2 - h) + \tilde{R}$$

$$\tilde{R} = R + \int_t^{t+h} \int_t^s \left( \int_t^z L^0 L^1 b_r dr + \int_t^z L^1 L^1 b_r dW_r \right) dz dW_s$$



#### Monte Carlo SDE Integration

$$X_{t+h} = X_t + a(X_t)h + b(X_t)\Delta W_t + rac{1}{2}b(X_t)b'(X_t)ig((\Delta W_t)^2 - hig) + ilde{R}$$

- Euler:
  - Strong conv. of order 1/2
  - Weak conv. of order 1
- Milstein:
  - Strong conv. of order 1
  - Weak conv. of order 1





## A simple case

- Underlying is  $S_t$  and the risk-neutral interest rate is null: r=0
- Choose when to get a payoff  $(1 S_t)^+$ : now or at t = T
- The contract value is

$$egin{aligned} V_T &= (1 - S_T)^+ & C_0 &= \mathsf{E}[V_T | S_0], \ V_0 &= \mathsf{max}((1 - S_0)^+, C_0) \end{aligned}$$

Monte Carlo:

$$egin{align} V_T^\omega &= (1-S_T^\omega)^+ & \omega = 1,\ldots,m \ \hat{C}_0 &= rac{1}{m} \sum_\omega \hat{V}_T^\omega, & \hat{V}_0 &= \max((1-S_0)^+,\hat{C}_0), \ \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\hat{C}_0$  is unbiased:  $\mathsf{E}[\hat{C}_0] = C_0$
- $\hat{V}_0$  is biased high:

$$\mathsf{E}[\hat{V}_0] = \mathsf{E}[\mathsf{max}((1-S_0)^+,\hat{C}_0)]$$



 $\geq \max((1-S_0)^+, \mathsf{E}[\hat{C}_0]) = \max((1-S_0)^+, C_0) = V_0$ 

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## Regression

- ullet Consider the r.vs.  $Y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $X \in \mathbb{R}^k$
- We want to approximate Y by means of  $X^T\beta$ , with  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^k$  constant  $Y = X^T\beta + U$
- The Least Squares approximation  $\tilde{\beta}$  minimizes  $\mathsf{E}[U^2]$ :

$$\mathsf{E}[U^2] = \mathsf{E}[Y^2] + \beta^T \, \mathsf{E}[XX^T]\beta - 2\beta^T \, \mathsf{E}[XY]$$

Thus,

$$\tilde{\beta} = S^{-1}q,$$
 where  $S = E[XX^T],$   $q = E[Xy].$ 

• MC: Given  $(x_{\omega}, y_{\omega}) \sim \operatorname{iid}(X, Y)$ ,  $\omega = 1, \dots, m$ 

$$\hat{eta} = \hat{S}^{-1}\hat{q}$$
 where  $\hat{S} = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega x_\omega^T, \quad \hat{q} = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega y_\omega.$ 

ullet  $\hat{\mathcal{S}} 
ightarrow \mathcal{S}$ ,  $\hat{q} 
ightarrow q$  and, thus,  $\hat{eta} 
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## Regression (cont.)

MC approximation:

$$\hat{eta} = \hat{eta}^{-1}\hat{q} \quad ext{ where } \quad \hat{eta} = rac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega x_\omega^T, \quad \hat{q} = rac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega y_\omega.$$

• With abuse of notation define

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^T \\ x_2^T \\ \vdots \\ x_m^T \end{pmatrix} : m \times k \qquad \text{and} \qquad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix} : m \times 1$$

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# Regression and Approximation

#### Problem

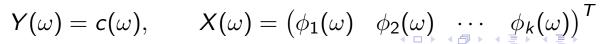
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- $\|\varepsilon\| = \langle \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle^{1/2} = \mathsf{E}[\varepsilon^2]^{1/2}$  is a semi-norm
- Back to the regression:  $Y = X^T \beta + U$ ,





## Exponential R.V.

$$Y \sim \mathsf{Exp}(\lambda)$$

Domain  $\mathbb{R}^+$ .

CDF 
$$F_Y(y) = 1 - e^{-\lambda y}$$
, for  $y \ge 0$ .

PDF 
$$f_Y(y) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y}$$
, for  $y \ge 0$ .

Inv. CDF 
$$F_Y^{-1}(u) = -\lambda^{-1} \log(1-u)$$
.

Moments 
$$E[Y] = \lambda^{-1}$$
,  $Var(Y) = \lambda^{-2}$ .

Since the inverse CDF is explicitly known an exponential r.v. can be easily simulated:

$$U \sim \mathsf{Unif}([0,1]),$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$F_Y^{-1}(U) \sim \mathsf{Exp}(\lambda)$$

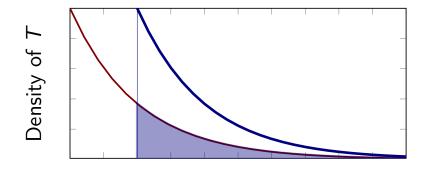
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#### Absence of Memory

$$T \sim \mathsf{Exp}(\lambda)$$
  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$P[T > t + x | T > t] = P[T > x]$$

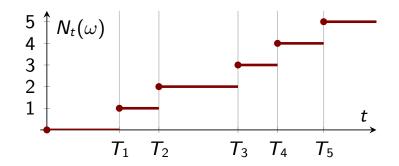
- Let  $T \sim \mathsf{Exp}(\lambda)$  be the time when a specific event occurs. The AoM states states that if we are at time t and that event didn't occur then T-t will have the same density that T had at time 0.
  - I.e. the distribution of the waiting time is the same we had at time 0.





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## The poisson process



For i = 1, 2, ...

- $\tau_i \sim \mathsf{Exp}(\lambda)$ , indep.
- $\bullet \ T_i = T_{i-1} + \tau_i$
- ullet  $T_1$  is the time of the first occurence of a specific event
- T<sub>2</sub> that of the second occurrence:
- $T_n$  the time of the n-th occurrence

### Poisson Process

 $N_t$  counts how many of such events occurs up to time t:

$$N_t(\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1\{t \geq T_n(\omega)\},$$

$$\omega \in \Omega, \ t \geq 0.$$

#### Poisson Distribution

 $N \sim \mathsf{Pois}(\lambda)$ 

Domain Non-negative integers: k = 0, 1, 2, ...

PMF 
$$P_N[k] = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}$$

CDF 
$$F_N(k) = \frac{\Gamma(k+1,\lambda)}{\Gamma(k+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^k P_N[i]$$

Moments  $E[N] = \lambda$ ,  $Var(N) = \lambda$ 

That is,

- $N_t \sim \mathsf{Pois}(\lambda t)$
- ullet in an interval [0,t] we expect an average of  $\lambda t$  jumps

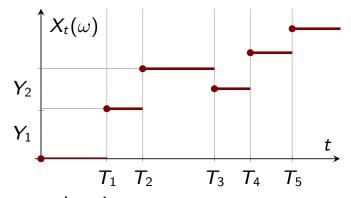
PS.  $\Gamma(x)$  and  $\Gamma(x,\lambda)$  are the complete and incomplete Gamma functions.



## Compound Poisson Process

#### Idea

Instead of jumps of unit magnitude, use iid random jump sizes.



Compound poisson process:

$$X_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i 1\{t \geq T_i\}.$$

- $\tau_i \sim \text{i.i.d Exp}(\lambda)$
- $Y_i \sim \text{i.i.d}$
- $\{Y_i\}$ ,  $\{\tau_i\}$  independent.
- $\bullet \ T_i = T_{i-1} + \tau_i$

$$\bullet \ X_{T_i} = X_{T_i^-} + Y_i$$



Compound Poisson Processes Simulation

Poisson Processes

# Compound Poisson Processes

•  $X_t$  is Compound Poisson Process if and only if it is a Levy process with piecewise constant sample paths (see Cont and Tankov 2004, Prop. 3.3).



### The basic scheme

$$X_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} Y_i 1\{t > T_i\}, \qquad Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

```
function x=cpois1(lambda, mu, sigma, t, m)

n = poissrnd(lambda*t, m, 1);
x = zeros(m, 1);
for w=1:m
    for j=1:n(w)
        y = mu + sigma*randn;
        x(w) = x(w) + y;
    end
end
```

• We can swap the two loops and/or vectorize one of them.



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# Second Algorithm: foreach sample path

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$$X_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} Y_i$$
  $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ 

```
cpois2.m
function x=cpois2(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n = poissrnd(lambda*t,m,1);
x = zeros(m,1);
for w=1:m
    y = mu + sigma*randn(n(w),1);
    x(w) = sum(y);
end
```





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## Third Algorithm: for each jump

• 
$$X_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} Y_i$$
  $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

```
function x = cpois3(lambda, mu, sigma, t, m)

n = poissrnd(lambda*t, m, 1);

nMax = max(n);

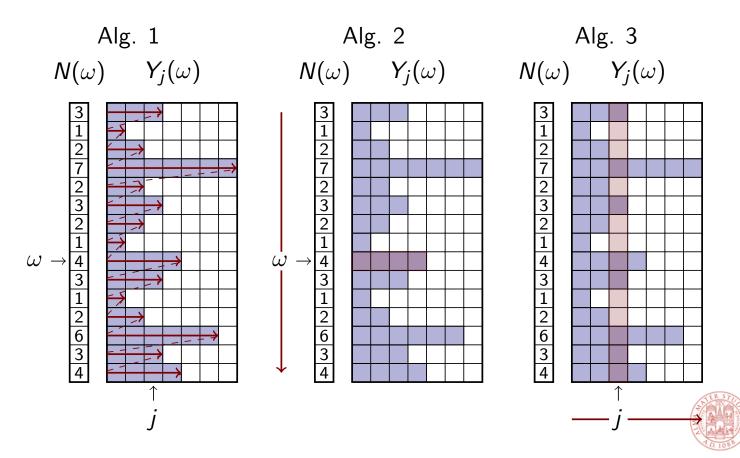
x = zeros(m, 1);

for j = 1: nMax
        y = mu + sigma*randn(m, 1);
        x = x + y .* (j <= n);
end</pre>
```





# In pictures



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# Fourth algorithm

Assumption: we know the distribution  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i \sim D_n$ .

Example:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \sim \mathsf{N}(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

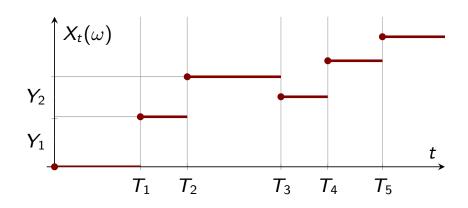
```
function x=cpois4(lambda, mu, sigma, t, m)

n = poissrnd(lambda*t, m, 1);
x = n*mu + sigma*sqrt(n).*randn(m, 1);
```



# Simulating Sample Paths

• Sample paths are described by means of  $(T_i, X_{T_i}), i = 1, ..., N_T$ .



#### Data Structures:

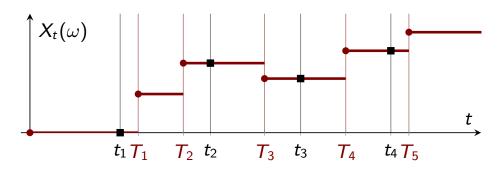
- Store  $T_i$ ,  $Y_i$  and  $X_{T_i}$  in matrices:  $m \times nMax$ .
  - X = cumsum(Y,2);
  - We don't know *nMax*.
- Cell Arrays
- Linearize the data-structure



## Sample paths on a grid

$$X_{t_i}(\omega) = \sum_j Y_j(\omega) 1\{t_i \geq T_j(\omega)\}$$

• We may need to evaluate the paths on a grid  $(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n)$ .



- It's an approximation
  - two jump may occur between 2 grid points
  - jump's exact location is lost
- ullet Need to iterate on  $\omega,i,j$



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# Algorithm

```
cpois5.m
function X=cpois5(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n=length(t);
X = zeros(m,n);
for w=1:m
                                                % forall (parallel)
    % Simulate the poisson trajectory
    Tmax=0; T=[];
    while Tmax<t(n)
        Tmax = Tmax + exprnd(lambda);
        T = [T, Tmax];
    end
    % Simulate the comp. poisson
    N = lenth(T);
    y = mu + sigma*randn(1,N);
    for i=1:n
        for j=1:N
            X(w,i) = X(w,i) + y(j) * (t(i) >= T(j));
        end
    end
end
```

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Vectorize the j loop

```
cpois6.m
function X=cpois6(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n=length(t);
X = zeros(m,n);
for w=1:m
                                                    % forall
    Tmax=0;
                T = [];
    while Tmax<t(n)</pre>
        Tmax = Tmax + exprnd(lambda);
        T = [T, Tmax];
    end
    N = lenth(T);
                                                    % parallel wrt j
    Y = mu + sigma*randn(1,N);
    for i=1:n
        X(w,i) = X(w,i) + sum(Y .* (t(i) >= T));
    end
end
```

• Vectorize the *i* loop

```
cpois7.m
function X=cpois7(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n=length(t);
X = zeros(m,n);
for w=1:m
% forall (parallel)
    Tmax=0; T=[];
    while Tmax<t(n)</pre>
        Tmax = Tmax + exprnd(lambda);
        T = [T, Tmax];
    end
    N = lenth(T);
                                                  % parallel wrt j
    y = mu + sigma*randn(1,N);
    for j=1:N
        X(w,:) = X(w,:) + y(j) * (t >= T(j)); % parallel wrt i
    end
end
```

• Vectorize the *i* loop and perform some optimisation.

```
cpois7b.m
function X=cpois7b(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n=length(t);
X = zeros(m,n);
for w=1:m
                                    % forall
   % Simulate jump times
   T=0;
   while T<t(n)
      T = T +exprnd(lambda);
      if (T>t(n));
          break;
      end
      end
end
```

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• Notice that:  $X_{t_i} = X_{t_{i-1}} + \sum_j Y_j \times 1\{T_j \in (t_{i-1}, t_i]\}.$ 

```
cpois8.m
function X=cpois8(lambda,mu,sigma,t,m)
n=length(t);
X = zeros(m,n+1);
t = [0,t];
for w=1:m
  % Simulate jump times
  Tmax=0; T=[];
  while Tmax<t(n)</pre>
    Tmax = Tmax + exprnd(lambda);
    T = [T, Tmax];
  end
  N = lenth(T);
  y = mu + sigma*randn(1,N);
  for i=2:(n+1)
    X(w,i) = X(w,i-1) + sum(y .* (t(i)>=T) .* (t(i-1)<T));
  end
end
```

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ullet Truncate the poisson distribution:  $X_{t_i} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{max}} Y_j 1\{t_i \geq T_j\}.$ 



cpois10.m

ullet Truncate the poisson distribution:  $X_{t_i} = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{max}} Y_j 1\{t_i \geq T_j\}.$ 



## Bermudan Options

#### **Notation**

- $X_t$  state variable
- ullet  $V_t$  value of the contract at time t
- ullet  $D_t$  stoch. discount factor from t to t+1
- t = 1, 2, ..., T exercise dates

At each exercise date the holder can choose between

- keep the contract:  $C_t = E[D_t V_{t+1} | X_t]$
- exercise and obtain  $h_t(X_t)$

The value of the contract at time t is

$$V_t = \max(h_t(X_t), C_t)$$

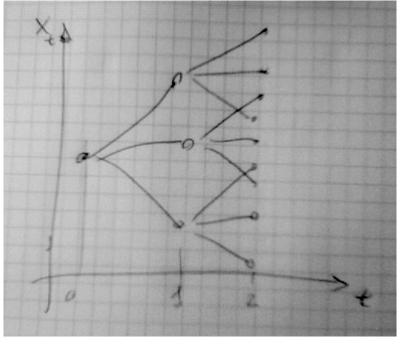


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Problem: the conditional expectation.

$$V_t = \max\left(h_t(X_t), \ \mathsf{E}[D_t V_{t+1}|X_t]\right)$$

#### Solution 1: Random Trees

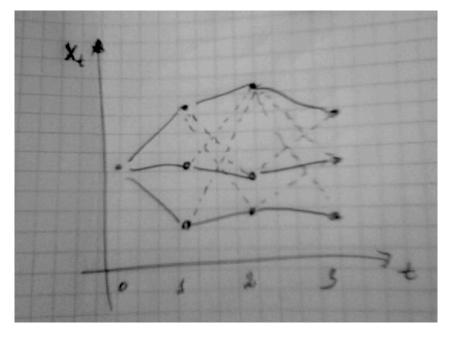




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#### Solution 2: Stochastic Mesh (recombines)





Problem: the conditional expectation.

$$V_t = \max\left(h_t(X_t), \ \mathsf{E}[D_t V_{t+1}|X_t]
ight)$$

Solution 3: Use Regression

#### Idea

 $C_t(x) = E[D_t V_{t+1} | X_t = x]$  is a function of x.

Approximate  $C_t$  as a linear combination of functions of x



## Regression Based MC

We want to approximate the function:

$$c(x) = \mathsf{E}[D_t V_{t+1} \,|\, X_t = x]$$

Note that  $C = c(X_t) = E[D_t V_{t+1} | X_t]$  is a r.v.

Use a set of functions of x to approximate c:

$$Z_1 = \phi_1(X_t), Z_2 = \phi_2(X_t), \dots, Z_k = \phi_k(X_t)$$

Approximation:

$$C = Z_1\beta_1 + Z_2\beta_2 + \cdots + Z_k\beta_k + U$$

In vector form:

$$C = Z^T \beta + U$$
, where  $Z = \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \\ \vdots \\ Z_k \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{pmatrix}$ .

Here, *U* is the error term



$$C = Z^T \beta + U$$

$$C = \mathsf{E}[D_t V_{t+1} | X_t]$$

• Find  $\beta$  that minimize  $E[U^2]$ 

$$E[U^{2}] = E[C^{2}] - 2E[CZ^{T}]\beta + \beta^{T} E[ZZ^{T}]\beta$$
$$\frac{\partial E[U^{2}]}{\partial \beta^{T}} = -2E[CZ^{T}] + 2\beta^{T} E[ZZ^{T}]$$

• The gradient is null for

$$\beta = \mathsf{E}[ZZ^T]^{-1}\,\mathsf{E}[ZC]$$

- $E[ZZ^T]$  depends on the basis functions
- ullet E[ZC] depends also on the continuation value C

$$E[Z C] = E[Z E[D_t V_{t+1} | X_t]] = E[Z D_t V_{t+1}]$$

• The conditional expectation is no longer necessary!!



$$C = Z^T \beta + U$$

$$\beta = \mathsf{E}[ZZ^T]^{-1}\,\mathsf{E}[ZC]$$

The error is orthogonal to each basis function

$$E[ZU] = E[ZZ^T]\beta - E[ZC] = 0.$$

When  $Z_1 = 1$ , the approximation does not introduce a bias.

Indeed, since the first component of  $\mathsf{E}[ZU]$  is zero,

$$0 = \mathsf{E}[U] = \mathsf{E}[C] - \mathsf{E}[Z^T\beta].$$



$$C = Z^T \beta + U$$
,

$$\beta = \mathsf{E}[ZZ^T]^{-1}\,\mathsf{E}[ZD_tV_{t+1}]$$

Need to compute  $E[ZZ^T]$  and E[ZC]

Idea: Use MonteCarlo:

$$\mathsf{E}[ZZ^T] = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\omega} \mathsf{z}_{\omega} \mathsf{z}_{\omega}^T, \qquad \mathsf{E}[ZD_t V_{t+1}] = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\omega} \mathsf{z}_{\omega} d_{t,\omega} \mathsf{v}_{t+1,\omega}$$

where

ullet  $z_{\omega}$ ,  $d_{t,\omega}$  and  $v_{t+1,\omega}$  are the w-th realizations of the r.v.  $Z_{\omega}$ ,  $D_{t,\omega}$ ,  $V_{t+1,\omega}$ 

Any conditional expectation have been used



### A simple case

- Underlying is  $S_t$  and the risk-neutral interest rate is null: r=0
- Choose when to get a payoff  $(1 S_t)^+$ : now or at t = T
- The contract value is

$$egin{aligned} V_T &= (1 - S_T)^+ & C_0 &= \mathsf{E}[V_T | S_0], \ V_0 &= \mathsf{max}((1 - S_0)^+, C_0) \end{aligned}$$

Monte Carlo:

$$egin{align} V_T^\omega &= (1-S_T^\omega)^+ & \omega = 1,\ldots,m \ \hat{C}_0 &= rac{1}{m} \sum_\omega \hat{V}_T^\omega, & \hat{V}_0 &= \max((1-S_0)^+,\hat{C}_0), \ \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\hat{C}_0$  is unbiased:  $\mathsf{E}[\hat{C}_0] = C_0$
- $\hat{V}_0$  is biased high:

$$\mathsf{E}[\hat{V}_0] = \mathsf{E}[\mathsf{max}((1-S_0)^+,\hat{C}_0)]$$



 $\geq \max((1-S_0)^+, \mathsf{E}[\hat{C}_0]) = \max((1-S_0)^+, C_0) = V_0$ 

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### Regression

- Consider the r.vs.  $Y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $X \in \mathbb{R}^k$
- We want to approximate Y by means of  $X^T\beta$ , with  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^k$  constant  $Y = X^T\beta + U$
- The Least Squares approximation  $\tilde{\beta}$  minimizes  $\mathsf{E}[U^2]$ :

$$\mathsf{E}[U^2] = \mathsf{E}[Y^2] + \beta^T \, \mathsf{E}[XX^T]\beta - 2\beta^T \, \mathsf{E}[XY]$$

Thus,

$$\tilde{\beta} = S^{-1}q,$$
 where  $S = E[XX^T],$   $q = E[Xy].$ 

• MC: Given  $(x_{\omega}, y_{\omega}) \sim \operatorname{iid}(X, Y)$ ,  $\omega = 1, \dots, m$ 

$$\hat{eta} = \hat{S}^{-1}\hat{q}$$
 where  $\hat{S} = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega x_\omega^T, \quad \hat{q} = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega y_\omega.$ 

ullet  $\hat{\mathcal{S}} 
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# Regression (cont.)

MC approximation:

$$\hat{eta} = \hat{S}^{-1}\hat{q} \quad ext{ where } \quad \hat{S} = rac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega x_\omega^T, \quad \hat{q} = rac{1}{m}\sum_{\omega=1}^m x_\omega y_\omega.$$

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• Recall the original model was  $Y = X^T \beta + U$ 



## Regression and Approximation

#### Problem

Approximate  $c(\omega): \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$  by means of  $\phi_i(\omega): \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, k$ 

$$c(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \phi_i(\omega)\beta_i + \varepsilon(\omega)$$

- $\phi_i$  basis functions,  $\varepsilon$  error function
- ullet We need a norm to evaluate the error:  $\|arepsilon\|$
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- $\|\varepsilon\| = \langle \varepsilon, \varepsilon \rangle^{1/2} = \mathsf{E}[\varepsilon^2]^{1/2}$  is a semi-norm
- Back to the regression:  $Y = X^T \beta + U$ ,

$$Y(\omega) = c(\omega), \qquad X(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(\omega) & \phi_2(\omega) & \cdots & \phi_k(\omega) \end{pmatrix}^T$$



## American (Bermudan) options

- Assume a flat market: r = 0 (i.e. work with forward prices).
- State vector  $S_i = S_{t_i}$ ,  $0 = t_0 \le t_1 \le \cdots \le t_n$ .
- $h_i(s)$  payoff at the *i*th step (time  $t_i$ )
- $V_i(s)$  contract value at the *i*th step

#### Dynamic programming

$$V_n(s) = h_n(s)$$
 
$$V_i(s) = \max \left( h_i(s), \ \mathsf{E}[V_{i+1}(S_{i+1}) | S_i = s] \right), \quad i = n-1, n-2, \cdots, 1.$$

•  $C_i(s) = E[V_{i+1}(S_{i+1})|S_i = s]$ : continuation value



# American Options (cont.)

• Let define the r.vs.  $V_i = V_i(S_i)$ ,  $C_i = C_i(S_i)$  and  $h_i = h_i(S_i)$ , thus

#### Dynamic programming

$$V_n = h_n$$
,  $C_i = E[V_{i+1}|S_i]$ , and  $V_i = \max(h_i, C_i(S_i))$ 

### Regression Based Methods

Linearly approximate  $C_i$  by means of the regressors

$$X_i^T = (\phi_1(S_i) \dots \phi_k(S_i))$$

That is, find a  $\beta_i$  such that  $C_i \simeq X_i^T \beta_i$ .

- $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_k$  are a set of properly chosen "basis functions"
- Note:  $X_i = (X_{i1} \cdots X_{ik})$  is adapted to the filtration (This is what we really need)



## Regression based methods

- Recall  $C_i = E[V_{i+1}|S_i]$
- Regression problem:  $C_i = X_i^T \beta_i + U$
- Least Squares:  $E[C_iX_i]$  is needed
- The conditional expectation disappears, indeed

$$E[C_iX_i] = E[X_i E[V_{i+1}|S_i]] = E[X_i V_{i+1}]$$

- Suppose that MC provides a set of scenarios  $S_i^{\omega}, V_{i+1}^{\omega}$ ,  $\omega = 1, \ldots, m$
- Set:

$$v_{i+1} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{i+1}^1 \\ V_{i+1}^2 \\ \vdots \\ V_{i+1}^m \end{pmatrix} \qquad Z_i = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(S_i^1) & \phi_2(S_i^1) & \cdots & \phi_k(S_i^1) \\ \phi_1(S_i^2) & \phi_2(S_i^2) & \cdots & \phi_k(S_i^2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \phi_1(S_i^m) & \phi_2(S_i^m) & \cdots & \phi_k(S_i^m) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet \text{ Compute the OLS } \hat{\beta}_i \text{ of } v_{i+1} = Z_i \beta_i + u_i \qquad \text{then} \qquad \hat{\beta}_i \to \beta_i$$

## Algorithm

Compute the scenarios (forward)

$$S_i^{\omega}$$
,  $i=1,\ldots,n,\omega=1,\ldots,m$ .

• Compute the payoff at *T*:

$$V_n^{\omega} = h_n(S_n^{\omega}), \qquad \qquad \omega = 1, \dots, m$$

- Compute the contract value going backward (i = n 1, n 2, ..., 1):
  - Compute  $Z_i$  and form  $v_{i+1}$

  - Compute  $\hat{\beta}_i = (Z_i^T Z_i)^{-1} Z_i^T v_{i+1}$  Compute  $V_i^{\omega} = \max(h_i(S_i^{\omega}), \beta_i^T X_i^{\omega})$



# Algorithm (vector-matrix form)

Data structures (each row a scenario):

- $\mathbf{s}_i : m \times 1$ , all the scenarios at step i
- $\mathbf{v}_i: m \times 1$ , the value of the contract at step i at all the states
- $\mathbf{h}_i = h_i(\mathbf{s}_i) : m \times 1$ , exercise values
- $\mathbf{Z}_i = (\phi_k(S_i^{\omega}))_{\omega,k} : m \times k \text{ regressor matrix}$

#### Algorithm:

- Compute the scenarios (forward):  $\mathbf{s}_{i+1} = \mathbf{s}_i + \dots$
- Compute the payoff at T:  $\mathbf{v}_n = \mathbf{h}_n$
- Going Backward:
- Compute **Z**<sub>i</sub>
- Least Squares Approximation:  $\hat{\beta}_i = (\mathbf{Z}_i^T \mathbf{Z}_i)^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_i^T \mathbf{v}_{i+1}$
- Compute  $\mathbf{v}_i = \max(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{Z}_i \beta_i)$



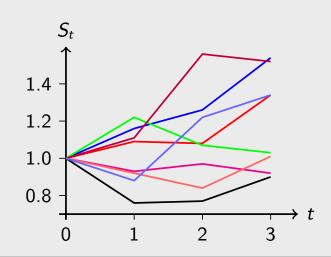
## Longstaff & Schwartz Monte Carlo method

### Example (Longstaff and Schwartz 2001)

Consider an American Put Option on a non-dividend-paying stock  $S_t$  with strike K=1.10. The option is exercisable at times 1,2 and 3. The riskless rate is r=6%.

Suppose to approximate (by MC) the dynamics with the 8 paths:

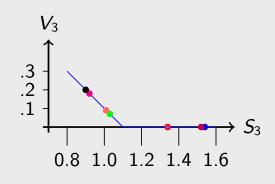
$\omega$	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_3$
1	1.00	1.09	1.08	1.34
2	1.00	1.16	1.26	1.54
3	1.00	1.22	1.07	1.03
4	1.00	0.93	0.97	0.92
5	1.00	1.11	1.56	1.52
6	1.00	0.76	0.77	0.90
7	1.00	0.92	0.84	1.01
8	1.00	0.88	1.22	1.34



### Example (cont.)

At time t=3 the value of the contract is (= European):  $V_3=(K-S_3)^+$ 

$\omega$	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_3$	$V_3$
1	1.00	1.09	1.08	1.34	0
2	1.00	1.16	1.26	1.54	0
3	1.00	1.22	1.07	1.03	0.07
4	1.00	0.93	0.97	0.92	0.18
5	1.00	1.11	1.56	1.52	0
6	1.00	0.76	0.77	0.90	0.20
7	1.00	0.92	0.84	1.01	0.09
8	1.00	0.88	1.22	1.34	0



- At time t = 2:  $V_2 = \max((K S_2)^+, E^Q[e^{-r}V_3|S_2])$
- The problem is how to compute  $E^Q[e^{-r}V_3|S_2]$ : continuing to go forward, for each  $S_2$  a new MC is needed
- LSM:  $E^Q[e^{-r}V_3|S_2] = \beta_1X_1 + \beta_2X_2 + \cdots + \beta_kX_k$ , with  $X_i = f_i(S_2)$  Compute by regressing  $e^{-r}V_3$  on  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_k$



## Example (cont.)

At time t = 2.

Estimate  $\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_k$  in the model

$$E^{Q}[e^{-r}V_{3} | S_{2}] = \beta_{1} + S_{2}\beta_{2} + S_{2}^{2}\beta_{3}$$
  

$$E^{Q}[Y | X] = X_{1}\beta_{1} + X_{2}\beta_{2} + X_{3}\beta_{3}$$

$\omega$	Y	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$
1	0	1	1.08	1.166
2	0	1	1.26	1.588
3	0.066	1	1.07	1.145
4	0.170	1	0.97	0.941
5	0	1	1.56	2.434
6	0.188	1	0.77	0.593
7	0.085	1	0.84	0.706
8	0	1	1.22	1.489

$\hat{eta}_{f 1}$		$\hat{eta}_{2}$		$\hat{eta}_{3}$	
0.82	1 -	1.138	0.	389	
$ \begin{array}{c} V_3 \\ .3 \\ .2 \\ .1 \end{array} $	.8 1.0	0 1.2	1.4	- 1	<i>S</i> <sub>3</sub>



## Fourier transforms and option pricing

#### European pricing formula is a convolution

European Call:

$$C_T(k) = e^{-rT} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^x - e^k)^+ q_T(x) dx = e^{k-rT} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(x - k) q_T(x) dx$$

where 
$$x = \log(S_T)$$
,  $k = \log(K)$ ,  $\phi(m) = (e^m - 1)^+$ ,  $q_T$  risk-neutral pdf

- Often only the characteristic function (cf)  $\phi_T$  is known
- A convolution becomes a product in the Fourier space

$$c(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x - y)b(x)dx \qquad \stackrel{\mathcal{F}}{\Leftrightarrow} \qquad \hat{c}(\omega) = \hat{a}(\omega)\hat{b}(\omega)$$

• Problem: the Fourier transform of common payoffs does not exist



#### Fourier Transform methods

#### Definition (Fourier Transform)

$$\hat{g} = (\mathcal{F}g)(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega x} g(x) dx$$
  $g = (\mathcal{F}^{-1}\hat{g})(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\omega x} \hat{g}(\omega) d\omega$ 

- Linearity
- Parseval:  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \overline{h(x)} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{g}(\omega) \overline{\hat{h}(\omega)} d\omega$
- Convolution:  $\mathcal{F}(g*h) = (\mathcal{F}g)(\mathcal{F}h)$ ,  $(g*h)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(s)h(x-s)ds$
- Scaling:  $(\mathcal{F}g(ax))(\omega) = |a|^{-1}(\mathcal{F}g)(a^{-1}w)$ 
  - g even  $\Leftrightarrow \hat{g}$  even
- Conjugation:  $(\mathcal{F}\overline{g})(\omega) = \overline{(\mathcal{F}g)(-\omega)} = \overline{\hat{g}(-\omega)}$ 
  - $g \text{ real} \Leftrightarrow \text{Re}(\hat{g}) \text{ even, } \text{Im}(\hat{g}) \text{ odd}$
  - g real and even  $\Leftrightarrow \hat{g}$  real and even



#### Fourier Transform methods

### Fourier Transform and Characteristic Functions

### Definition (Characteristic Function)

Let X be an  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued r.v. with pdf p(x), its characteristic function is

$$\phi_X(\omega) = \mathsf{E}[e^{i\omega X}] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega x} p(x) dx, \qquad \omega \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Characteristic Function = FT of the pdf:  $\phi_X = \mathcal{F}p$
- The expected value of g(X) can be computed as

$$\mathsf{E}[g(X)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) p(x) dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \hat{g}(-\omega) \phi_X(\omega) d\omega$$

♦ g should be square integrable



# Option Pricing in Fourier Space

#### problem

Given  $\phi_T$  the CF of X, compute the price of a Call <sup>a</sup>

$$C_T(k) = E[(e^x - e^k)^+] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^x - e^k)^+ q_T(x) dx$$

<sup>a</sup>assume for simplicity r = 0

Problem:  $C_T$  is not  $L^2$ , it does not have a FT

#### Solutions:

- Exponential Damping ([?])
  - Numerically unstable when far from the money or near to expiration
- Time Value ([?])
- Other approaches: Chen and Scott
- In the following we Follow [?]



# **Exponential Damping**

$$C_T(k) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^x - e^k)^+ q_T(x) dx$$

- $C_T(k) \notin L^2$ , the FT is not defined
- Damping: consider the FT of  $c_T(k) = e^{\alpha k} C_T(k)$

$$\psi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} c_{\mathcal{T}}(k) dk$$

so that

$$C_{\mathcal{T}}(k) = e^{-\alpha k} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\omega k} \psi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega) d\omega$$

• Let consider  $\psi_T(\omega)$ 

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$$\psi_{T}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i\omega k} c_{T}(k) dk$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i\omega k} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{\alpha k} (e^{x} - e^{k})^{+} q_{T}(x) dx dk$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{i\omega k} \int_{k}^{+\infty} (e^{x+\alpha k} - e^{(1+\alpha)k})^{+} q_{T}(x) dx dk$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{T}(x) \int_{-\infty}^{x} e^{i\omega k} (e^{x+\alpha k} - e^{(1+\alpha)k})^{+} dk dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{T}(x) \left( \frac{e^{(\alpha+1+i\omega)x}}{\alpha+i\omega} - \frac{e^{(\alpha+1+i\omega)x}}{\alpha+1+i\omega} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\alpha+i\omega)(\alpha+1+i\omega)} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_{T}(x) e^{(\alpha+1+i\omega)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\alpha+i\omega)(\alpha+1+i\omega)} \phi_{T}(\omega-i(\alpha+1))$$





### Choosing the dumping factor $\alpha$

$$\psi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{(\alpha + i\omega)(\alpha + 1 + i\omega)} \phi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega - i(\alpha + 1))$$

- $\psi_T(\omega)$  is the FT of  $c_T(k)$
- Sufficient condition for  $c_T(k)$  to be  $L^2$  is:  $\psi_T(0) < \infty$

$$\psi_T(0) = \phi_T(-i(\alpha+1)) = \mathsf{E}[\exp(i(-i)(\alpha+1)X)] = \mathsf{E}[S_T^{\alpha+1}]$$

- ullet Thus, it is sufficient that  $\mathsf{E}[S_T^{lpha+1}]<\infty$
- ullet Choose lpha to a quarter of the value that guarantee the bound
- Furthermore, the domain needs to be truncated

$$C_T(k) = e^{-\alpha k} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-i\omega k} \psi_T(\omega) d\omega$$

more on Carr and Madan (1999).



# Time Value Approach

- Assume for simplicity: r = 0 and  $S_0 = 0$
- Let  $C_T = \mathsf{E}[(e^x e^k)^+], \ P_T = \mathsf{E}[(e^k e^x)^+]$  and

$$z_{T}(k) = P_{T}(k)\chi_{\{k<0\}} + C_{T}(k)\chi_{\{k\geq0\}}$$

$$= \chi_{\{k<0\}} \int_{-\infty}^{k} (e^{k} - e^{x})q_{T}(x)dx + \chi_{\{k\geq0\}} \int_{k}^{\infty} (e^{x} - e^{k})q_{T}(x)dx$$

- Note that:  $z_T = C_T(k) (e^x e^k)^+$  is the "time value" of the Call
- Consider the FT of  $z_T$ :

$$\zeta_T(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} z_T(k) dk, \qquad z_T(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\omega k} \zeta_T(\omega) d\omega$$



$$z_T(k) = P_T(k)\chi_{\{k<0\}} + C_T(k)\chi_{\{k\geq0\}}$$

• Let consider the FT of the first term:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} P_{T}(k) \chi_{\{k<0\}} dk = \int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{i\omega k} \int_{-\infty}^{k} (e^{k} - e^{x}) q_{T}(x) dx dk$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{0} q_{T}(x) \int_{x}^{0} (e^{(1+i\omega)k} - e^{x+i\omega k}) dk dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{0} q_{T}(x) \int_{x}^{0} (e^{(1+i\omega)k} - e^{x+i\omega k}) dk dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{0} q_{T}(x) \left( \frac{1}{1+i\omega} - \frac{e^{x}}{i\omega} + \frac{e^{(1+i\omega)x}}{\omega^{2} - i\omega} \right) dx$$

analogously

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} P_T(k) \chi_{\{k < 0\}} dk = \int_0^{+\infty} q_T(x) \left( \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} - \frac{e^x}{i\omega} + \frac{e^{(1 + i\omega)x}}{\omega^2 - i\omega} \right) dx$$

Thus:

$$\zeta_T(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} q_T(x) \left( \frac{1}{1 + i\omega} - \frac{e^x}{i\omega} + \frac{e^{(1 + i\omega)x}}{\omega^2 - i\omega} \right) dx$$

since  $E[S_T] = E[e^x] = 1$ 

$$\zeta_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{1+i\omega} - \frac{1}{i\omega} + \frac{\phi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega-i)}{\omega^2 - i\omega} = \frac{1}{\omega^2 - i\omega} (1 + \phi_{\mathcal{T}}(\omega-i))$$

so that

$$z_T(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\omega k} \zeta_T(\omega) d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1 + \phi_T(\omega - i)}{\omega^2 - i\omega} e^{-i\omega k} d\omega$$

- $z_T$  computed by the FFT
- ullet Unstable at the money (near k=0) when  ${\cal T} 
  ightarrow 0$



#### Fixing instabilities in Time-Value approach

- $z_T(k)$  unstable for  $k \simeq 0$
- Consider the FT of  $sinh(\alpha k)z_T(k)$  (sinh(x) is null at x=0)

$$\gamma_{T}(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} \sinh(\alpha k) z_{T}(k) dk$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} \frac{e^{\alpha k} - e^{-\alpha k}}{2} z_{T}(k) dk$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{(i\omega + \alpha)k} z_{T}(k) dk - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{(i\omega - \alpha)k} z_{T}(k) dk$$

$$= \frac{\zeta_{T}(\omega - i\alpha) - \zeta_{T}(\omega + i\alpha)}{2}$$

• Then  $z_T(k)$  is computed as

$$z_{T}(k) = \frac{1}{\sinh(\alpha k)} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\omega k} \gamma_{T}(\omega) d\omega$$



#### Discrete Fourier Transforms

- Consider the sequence  $u_j$ , j = 1, ..., N
- The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) of u is the sequence

$$w_s = \sum_{j=1}^{N} e^{-ih(j-1)(s-1)} u_j$$
  $s = 1, \dots, N$ 

where  $h = 2\pi/N$ 

- Briefly: w = DFT(u)
- Typically  $N = 2^n$
- FFT computes the whole sequence w in  $O(N \log N)$



#### From FTs to DFTs

• Let consider the inverse FT:

$$g(k) = rac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\omega k} \psi(\omega) d\omega$$

• Assuming  $g(k) \in \mathbb{R}$  implies  $\text{Re}(\psi(\omega))$  even and  $\text{Im}(\psi(\omega))$  odd:

$$g(k) = rac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-i\omega k} \psi(\omega) d\omega \simeq rac{1}{\pi} \int_0^a e^{-i\omega k} \psi(\omega) d\omega$$

$$\simeq rac{1}{\pi} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{-i\omega_j k} \psi(\omega_j) \eta$$

where  $\eta = a/N$  and  $\omega_i = \eta(j-1)$ 

• Set  $k = -\frac{N}{2}\lambda + \lambda(s-1)$ 

$$g(k)\simeq g_s=rac{1}{\pi}\sum_{j=1}^N e^{-i\eta\lambda(j-1)(s-1)}e^{irac{N}{2}\lambda\eta(j-1)}\psi(\omega_j)\eta$$



Finally:

$$g(k) \simeq g_s = rac{1}{\pi} \sum_{j=1}^{N} e^{-i\eta\lambda(j-1)(s-1)} e^{irac{N}{2}\lambda\eta(j-1)} \psi(\omega_j) \eta$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{N} e^{-ih(j-1)(s-1)} rac{\eta}{\pi} e^{i\pi(j-1)} \psi(\omega_j)$$

when  $\eta \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{N} = h$ 

thus

$$g=DFT(u), \quad ext{where} \quad u_j=rac{\eta}{\pi}e^{i\pi(j-1)}\psi(\omega_j)=rac{\eta}{\pi}(-1)^{j-1}\psi(\omega_j).$$

Notice:

$$k \in \left[-\frac{N}{2}\lambda, \left(\frac{N}{2}-1\right)\lambda\right] = \left[-\frac{\pi}{\eta}, \frac{\pi}{\eta}(1-\frac{2}{N})\right] \text{ step } \lambda$$
 $w_j \in \left[0, \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(1-\frac{1}{N})\right] = \left[0, (N-1)\eta\right] \text{ step } \eta$ 



#### Exercise

Compute the price of a Call under the CGMY or tempered Lèvy model. The CF of log-returns in the CGMY model is given by

$$\frac{1}{T}\log\phi_{T}(\omega) = -C\Gamma(-Y)\left((M-i\omega)^{Y}-M^{Y}+(G+i\omega)^{Y}-G^{Y}\right)-i\omega\kappa$$
$$\kappa = C\left(M(\Gamma(-Y)Y+\Gamma(1-Y,M))-G(\Gamma(-Y)Y+\Gamma(1-Y,G))\right),$$

where  $\Gamma(a,b) = \int_b^\infty x^{a-1} e^{-x} dx$  and  $\Gamma(a) = \Gamma(a,0)$ Implement it as the matlab function

 $function \ Call = cgmy_fft(SO,K, C,G,M,Y, T, N)$ 



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# Characteristic exponents for Lèvy models

Model	Characteristic Exponent $(\frac{1}{T}\log\phi_T(\omega))$
GBM	$i(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\omega - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\omega^2$
Merton JD	$i(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\omega - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\omega^2 + \lambda(e^{i\bar{\mu}\omega - \bar{\sigma}^2\omega^2/2} - 1)$
Kou JD	$i(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\omega - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\omega^2 + i\omega\lambda(\frac{p}{\eta_+ - i\omega} - \frac{1-p}{\eta i\omega})$
VG	$\kappa^{-1}\log(1-i\mu\kappa\omega+\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\kappa\omega^2)$
NIG	$\kappa^{-1}(1-\sqrt{1-2i\mu\kappa\omega+\sigma^2\kappa\omega^2})$





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