FINM3405 Derivatives and risk management

Tutorial Sheet 8: Options - American and path dependent

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In the following questions let $S=50,~K=50,~r=5\%,~T=\frac{1}{2},~\sigma=25\%$ and the continuously compounded dividend yield y=0 unless otherwise indicated.

American options

Question 1. Calculate by hand the prices of ATM American calls and puts using a 2 layer binomial tree. Then do the same for when y = 7%. Also calculate the deltas. Again, you're welcome to use the CRR or JR schemes.

Question 2. Modify your Excel spreadsheet for using a 7 layer binomial model to price European options to calculate American option prices and deltas, including for the case of y = 7%.

Question 3. Let the USD:EUR exchange rate be 0.9. Use your 7 layer binomial models to calculate the prices of 6 month ATM USD:EUR FX American and European options. Let $\sigma = 15\%$, Euribor be 3.38%, and Term SOFR be 4.62%.

Path dependent options

Question 4. Modify your excel code to price an ATM chooser option via a 6 layer binomial tree, so each date or layer of the tree coincides with the end of a month, with choice date in 3 months. Also do the same for the case of y = 7%.

Question 5. Use Excel to create 100 asset price paths over 10 time steps to calculate the prices of the lookback and Asian path dependent options.

Question 6. How might you incorporate a continuous dividend yield of y = 7% into Monte Carlo option pricing? Do this first for European calls and puts, and compare the prices to the Black-Scholes European prices to check that you've got things right. Then do it for the European FX and lookback, barrier and Asian path dependent options. *Hint*: It's much simpler than one may think.