

# CISC 5352 Financial Data Analytics Quiz (2)<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Please turn in your workable codes and corresponding running results.

# Problem set (1) Hart's algorithm to compute cumulative standard normal distribution (10 points)

The cumulative standard normal distribution

$$N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-u^2/2} du$$

has no analytic solution. It is widely used in option pricing. The classic method to conduct numerical integration is called Hart algorithm invented in 1968.

- Hart gave the following approximation for this cumulative distribution function (CDF)  $N(x)$

$$N(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-t^2/2} \frac{A}{B}, & \text{when } t < t_1 \\ e^{-t^2/2} \frac{1}{t_3 C}, & \text{when } t_1 \leq t \leq t_2 \\ 0, & \text{when } t > t_2 \end{cases}$$

where  $t = |x|$  and  $t_1 = 7.07106781186547$ ,  $t_2 = 37$ ,  $t_3 = 2.506628274631$

- We only need to consider when  $x < 0$  for convenience of computing. When  $x > 0$ , we use basic property of a normal distribution and get  $N(x) = 1 - N(x)$

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A = ((((((a1*t+a2)*t+a3)*t+a4)*t+a5)*t+a6)*t+a7)2
B = ((((((b1*t+b2)*t+b3)*t+b4)*t+b5)*t+b6)*t+b7)*t+b8)
C = t+1/(t + 2/(t + 3/(t + 4/(t + 0.65))))
a and b are the following arrays
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<sup>2</sup>Such addition format is good for computer to implement!

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a1 = 0.0352624965998911
a2 = 0.700383064443688
a3 = 6.37396220353165
a4 = 33.912866078383
a5 = 112.079291497871
a6 = 221.213596169931
a7 = 220.206867912376

b1 = 0.0883883476483184
b2 = 1.75566716318264
b3 = 16.064177579207
b4 = 86.7807322029461
b5 = 296.564248779674
b6 = 637.333633378831
b7 = 793.826512519948
b8 = 440.413735824752

```

Write a python function with the following signature and a corresponding main method to test your function.

```
calculateStandardNormalCDF(x)
```

- You need to verify your method *as least* to calculate,  $N(-0.02)$ ,  $N(0.02)$ ,  $N(-0.8)$ ,  $N(0.182)$
- Compare your results with `stats.norm.cdf( )` for these inputs

## Problem set (2) Polish Monte Carlo simulations (25 points)

1. Write a function with the following signature such that it can handle both call and put options.

```
mc_pricing(S, K, T, r, sigma, option_type, no_trial)
```

- You are required to use the following call and examples to test your function
  - An European call with continuous dividend yield:  $S = 50, K = 80, r = 0.1, T = 5/12, \sigma = 0.35$
  - An European put option on stock indexes with a cost-of-carry:  $S = 80, K = 75, r = 0.1, T = 5/12, \sigma = 0.20$
  - The no\_trial: should be at least  $10^7$
  - Plot your simulation results for the first 5 trials (You can 'relax' the huge trial number a little bit for the sake of visualization)

### Python multithreading programming for Monte Carlo simulations

- Multithreading programming is an important skill in data analytics.
- Go through the following sample multithreading python demo codes to understand multithreading programming basics.
- Convert your Monte Carlo simulation results in to a multithreading version

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#####  
## demoThread2.py  
## This is a sample file for CISC5352: Financial Data analytics  
## Created by Henry Han  
## Last update: 09/15/2016  
#####
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import threading
import time

def addHarmonicSeries(n):
    sum=0.0
    for i in range(1,n):
        sum=sum + 1.0/i
        print('{:5d} {:.12.6f}'.format(i, sum))

start_time = time.clock()
no_thread = 100
for i in range(no_thread):
    t = threading.Thread(target=addHarmonicSeries, args=(i,))
    t.start()
    print("\n-->" + t.getName() + "\n")
    time.sleep(1)

print("\n The main stread stops after {}".format(time.clock()-start_time)\
+ " seconds")

```

## Problem set (3) 'Polish'

### Black-Scholes (15 points)

1. Write a function with the following signature such that it can handle both call and put options.

`bs_pricing(S, K, T, r, sigma, option_type)`

- You are required to use the put call examples in lecture note (2) to test your function.
- Your output should format output

2. Write a function with the following signature such that it can handle both call and put options for BSM model

`bsm_pricing(S, K, T, r, sigma, option_type)`

- You are required to use the following call and examples to test your function
  - An European call with continuous dividend yield:  $S = 50, K = 80, r = 0.1, T = 5/12, \sigma = 0.35, q = 0.05$
  - An European put option on stock indexes with a cost-of-carry:  $S = 80, K = 75, r = 0.1, T = 5/12, \sigma = 0.20, q = 0.07$