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## tr\_kamradritchken\_bs

## Input parameters:

- $\bullet$  StepNumber N
- StretchPrameter  $\lambda$  (should be greater than 1)

## Output parameters:

- Price
- Delta

This is taken from [1]. It is a 3-node tree which is the archetype of a trinomial tree. This is a flat tree with 2N+1 possible values of the underlying  $S_1$  throughout the option's life.

/\*Price, intrinsic value arrays\*/

/\*Up and Down factors\*/  
Here 
$$u=e^{\lambda\sigma\sqrt{h}},\ d=e^{-\lambda\sigma\sqrt{h}}.$$
 The third node is  $m=1.$ 

These are computed by matching the two first moment conditions with a simplifying trick: the second moment condition is replaced by the equality of the second moment of the conditional random walk in the tree with the variance of the continuous limit logarithm of the Black-Scholes diffusion: the variances still match at order o(h) so that convergence follows from Kushner's theorem (cf Convergence result for Tree methods in finance) whereas the calculations are simpler. The computation is detailed there. The stratch parameter  $\lambda$  is free with the following restrictions: it should be greater than 1 for the center-node probability to be positive and smaller

than 
$$\frac{\sigma}{\left|r-diviv-\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right|\sqrt{h}}$$

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/\*Intrisic value initialisation and terminal values\*/
Since this is a flat tree we store the intrinsic values in an array as explained in Routine tr\_coxrossrubinstein\_c.

/\*Backward Resolution\*/

Notice that the indexing of the price array P is relative to the lower of the underlying values at a fixed time whereas the intrinsic value array indexing iv is absolute. This accounts for the shift j in the index in

$$P[j] = MAX(iv[j+i],P[j])$$

/\*Delta\*/

We keep the formula of the CRR delta. Here it is no longer a perfect-hedging delta in the discrete-time scheme since this is an incomplete market. The convergence can be proved in the same manner as for the CRR delta (cf there). There maybe other more clever choices using the center node.

## References

[1] B.KAMRAD P.RITCHKEN. Multinomial approximating models for options with k state variables. *Management Science*, 37:1640–1652, 1991.