

Computational Finance

Exercises for participants of mathematical programmes

C-Exercise 24

Write a scilab function

```
V0 = EuCall_BS_MC (S0, r, sigma, T, K, M)
```

that computes the initial price of a European call option in the Black-Scholes model via the Monte-Carlo approach using $M \in \mathbb{N}$ simulations. Test your function for

$$S(0) = 100, \quad r = 0.05, \quad \sigma = 0.2, \quad T = 1, \quad K = 100, \quad M = 100000,$$

and compare the result to the exact value (cf. C-Exercise 16).

Hint: The initial option price is of the form $V(0) = E_Q(f(Z))$, where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ under Q and f is a suitable function.

Useful scilab commands: `grand`, `rand`

T-Exercise 25

In Section 5.1 of the lecture, we claimed that

$$\sqrt{N} \frac{\hat{V}_N - V}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_N^2(f(X))}}$$

converges in distribution to a standard normal random variable as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Hint: Slutsky's Theorem (cf. T-Exercise 19).

T-Exercise 26

Show that the following *Box-Muller algorithm* indeed simulates two independent standard normal random variables.

(i) Simulate a pair (U_1, U_2) of independent random variables $U_1, U_2 \sim \text{uniform}[0, 1]$.

(ii) Set

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1 &:= \sqrt{-2 \log(U_1)} \cos(2\pi U_2), \\ Z_2 &:= \sqrt{-2 \log(U_1)} \sin(2\pi U_2). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Return (Z_1, Z_2) .

T-Exercise 27

Consider a Black-Scholes model as in C-Exercise 16 with parameters $S_0, r, \sigma > 0$ and a geometric average call option on the stock with strike $K > 0$ and monitoring times $t_k = k \frac{T}{M}$ for $T > 0, M \in \mathbb{N}, k = 0, \dots, M$, i.e. with payoff $\left(\left(\prod_{k=0}^M S_{t_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{M+1}} - K \right)^+$ at maturity T . Show that the fair price of this option is given by

$$V_0^{\text{ga}} = e^{-rT} \left(S_0 e^{a + \frac{b^2}{2}} \Phi \left(\frac{\log(S_0/K) + a}{b} + b \right) - K \Phi \left(\frac{\log(S_0/K) + a}{b} \right) \right)$$

for $a := \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) \frac{T}{2}$, $b := \sqrt{\frac{2M+1}{6(M+1)}} \sigma \sqrt{T}$ and the cumulative distribution function Φ of the standard normal distribution.

Please save your solution of each C-Exercise in a file named `Exercise_##.sce`, where `##` denotes the number of the exercise. Please include your name(s) as comment in the beginning of the file.

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