

Computational Finance

Exercises for participants of mathematical programmes

C-Exercise 40

Write a scilab function

```
V0 = UpOutCall_BS_MC_Richardson (S0, r, sigma, T, K, B, M, m)
```

that computes the price of an up-and-out call option in the Black-Scholes model via Monte-Carlo simulation with Richardson extrapolation. Use m resp. $2m$ points on the coarse resp. on the fine grid for the Euler method.

Test your function with the data of C-Exercise 31.

C-Exercise 41

Consider a Black-Scholes model as in C-Exercise 16. The goal is to price a forward start call option with strike S_{T_0} for $0 < T_0 < T$, i.e., with payoff $(S_T - S_{T_0})^+$ at maturity T .

Write a Scilab function

```
V0 = BS_ForwardCall_MC (S0, r, sigma, T0, T, N)
```

that approximates the fair price V_0 of the forward start call option via Monte-Carlo based on $N \in \mathbb{N}$ samples of (S_{T_0}, S_T) .

Write a second function to approximate the price via Monte-Carlo basing only on samples of S_{T_0} . To this end, exploit that in the Black-Scholes model

$$e^{-r(T-T_0)}\mathbb{E}\left((S_T - S_{T_0})^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_{T_0}\right) = C(T_0, S_{T_0}, r, \sigma, T, S_{T_0})$$

for the pricing function C from C-Exercise 16. Compare the width of the confidence intervals for both approaches using the test data $S_0 = 100$, $r = 0.05$, $\sigma = 0.2$, $T_0 = 0.5$, $T = 1$, $N = 10000$.

T-Exercise 42

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ be a symmetric matrix. Show that the following properties are equivalent:

- (a) $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} A^v z = 0$ for any $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$.
- (b) $\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (A^v)_{ij} = 0$ for any $i, j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$.
- (c) The spectral radius of A satisfies $\rho(A) < 1$.

C-Exercise 43

Write a Scilab function

```
V0 = EuCall_BS_FiDi (r, sigma, a, b, m, nu_max, T, K, type)
```

that approximates the option values $v(0, x_1), \dots, v(0, x_{m-1})$ of a European call option with strike $K > 0$ and maturity $T > 0$ in the Black-Scholes model using one of the three finite difference schemes. Here, $x_i = K \exp(a + i \frac{b-a}{m})$ denote the initial stock prices and a, b, m, v_{max} are the parameters of the algorithm presented in the course. If `type = 0` the function is supposed to use the explicit scheme, if `type = 1` the implicit scheme, and if `type = 2` the Crank-Nicholson scheme. Test your function for

$$r = 0.05, \quad \sigma = 0.2, \quad a = -0.7, \quad b = 0.4, \quad m = 100, \quad v_{max} = 2000, \\ T = 1, \quad K = 100.$$

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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