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Sheet 03

Computational Finance

Exercises for mathematical programmes

C-Exercise 8

Write a scilab function

that computes the initial price V(0) of a European option with payoff f(S(T)) at maturity T>0 in a Black-Scholes model with initial stock price S(0)>0, interest rate r>0 and volatility $\sigma>0$ by means of the integration formula

$$V(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f\left(S(0) \exp\left((r - \sigma^2/2)T + \sigma\sqrt{T}x\right)\right) e^{-rT} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx.$$

Test your function for a European call option with strike *K* and

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

(The parameter f refers to the name of a scilab function that you can specify outside of the function Price_BS_Int.)

Useful scilab command: intg

T-Exercise 9 (Exchange rates)

Assume that the exchange rate D(t) of the US-Dollar in Euro at time t > 0 follows the equation

$$dD(t) = D(t)\mu dt + D(t)\sigma dW(t)$$

with D(0) > 0 and μ , $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}$. Hence, the exchange rate of the Euro in US-Dollar at time t > 0 is given by $E(t) := \frac{1}{D(t)}$. Represent the process E as Itō process, i.e. in the form

$$dE(t) = \dots dt + \dots dW(t)$$
.

Interpret your result economically in the case $\mu = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$.

T-Exercise 10

Let W be a standard Brownian motion. Show that the process

$$X(t) := \mathscr{E}(W)\left(t\right)\left(1 + \int_0^t \frac{1}{\mathscr{E}(W)\left(s\right)} \mathrm{d}s\right), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}_+,$$

solves the stochastic differential equation

$$dX(t) = 1dt + X(t)dW(t), X(0) = 1.$$

T-Exercise 11 (Digital option in the Black-Scholes model)

A digital call option with maturity T > 0 and strike K > 0 is a European option with payoff

$$V(T) = 1_{\{S(T) > K\}}.$$

Find a formula for the initial price of a digital call option in the Black-Scholes model, and compute the perfect hedging strategy.

Hint: To find the formula for the price, it is useful to work with the integral representation and not with the Black-Scholes PDE.

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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