Financial Engineering Lab (MA374)

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Question 1

$$S_0 = 100$$
, K (strike price) = 105, T = 5, r = 0.05, $\sigma = 0.3$

The initial Option prices for M = 1,5,10,20,50,100,200,400 are as following:

M	Call Price	Put Price	
1	38.168	19.942	
5	34.907	16.681	
10	33.625	15.399	
20	33.859	15.634	
50	33.981	15.755	
100	34.011	15.785	
200	34.02	15.794	

The above prices are calculated using the backtracking approach where the option price at any step is Expected discounted value of payoff with respect to risk-neutral probability measure.

$$c = e(-rt)*(q*Pup + (1-q)Pdn)$$

q (risk-neutral probability) = $(e^{(rt)} - d)/(u - d)$

Pup = Payoff if stock goes up

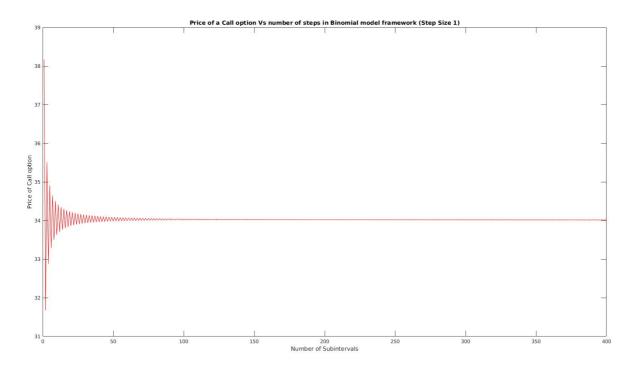
Pdn = Payoff if stock goes down

Call Option Payoff = $max(S_n - K, 0)$

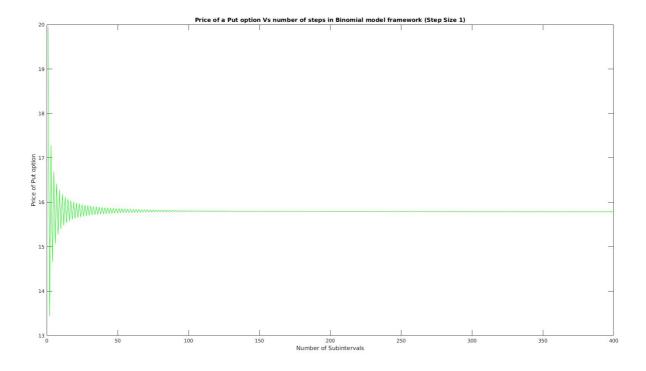
Put Option Payoff = $max(K-S_n,0)$

Question 2

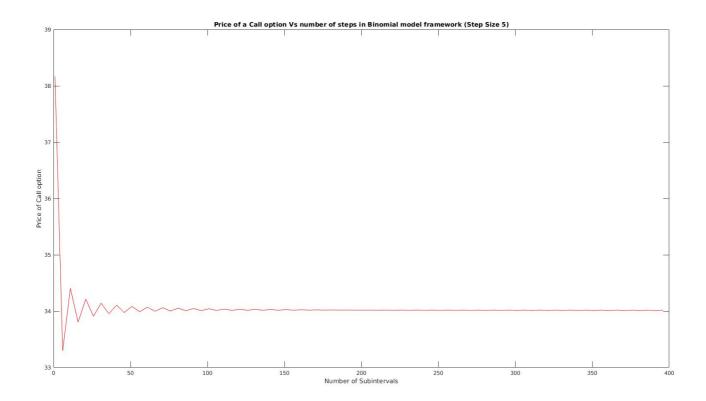
Following are the graphs of the initial option prices Vs number of subintervals :



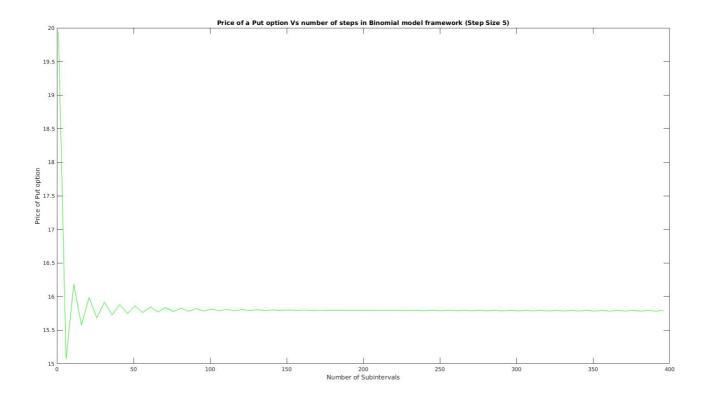
Price of Call Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 1



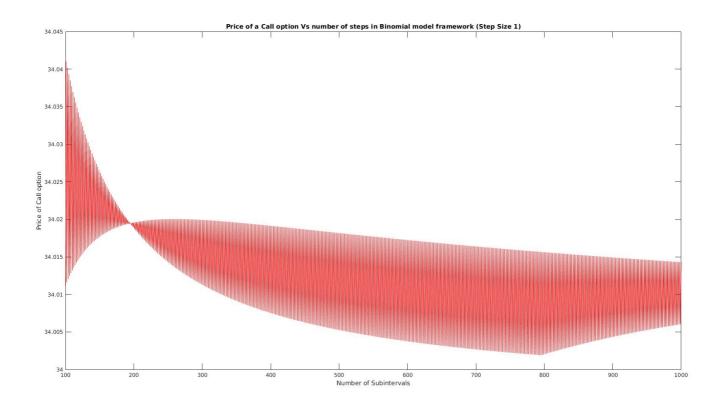
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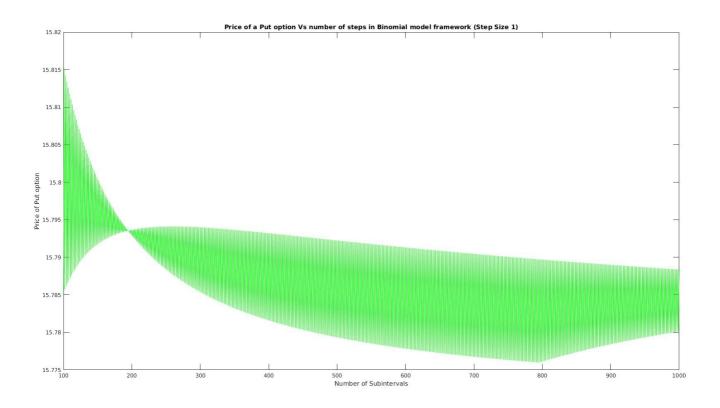
Price of Call Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 5



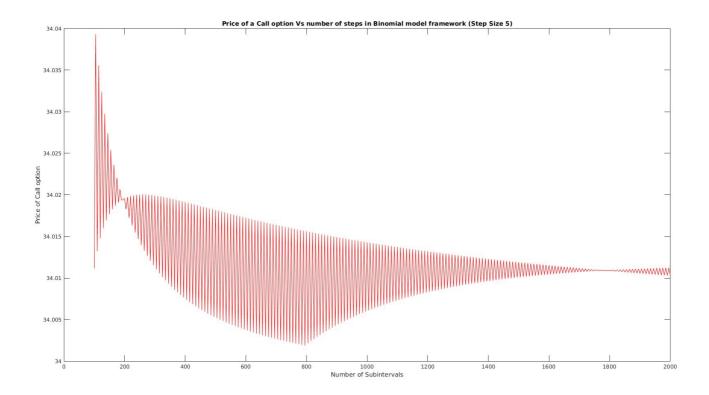
Price of Put Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 5



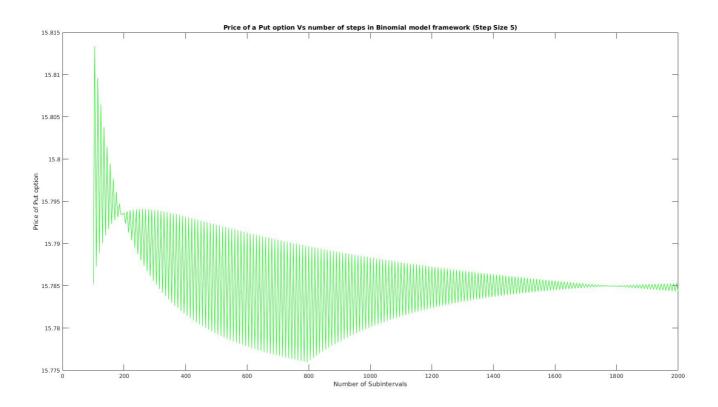
Price of Call Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 1



Price of Put Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 1



Price of Call Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 5



Price of Put Option Vs number of subintervals varied with step size 5

Observations from the plots -

- 1. We observe that value of European call option converges to 34.012 and European put option converges to 15.785.
- 2. We also observe that this convergesnce is not perfect. Some deviations occur from the converging values. For eg. , the call option price for M = 1 is 38.168 but it does not uniformly decreaces to 34.012 as M increaces. It fluctuates down to 34.003 for M = 800 and later increces to the converging value.
- 3. However the deviations decreace as the value of M (number of subintervals) increces as can be seen in plots for higher values of M (\sim 2000).

Question 3

The price of the European call option at t = 0, 0.50, 1, 1.50, 3, 4.5 for M = 20 are as following :

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Time (t)
              0
                    0.5
                              1
                                    1.5
                                               3
                                                     4.5
         33.859 59.959
                                 160.61
                         100.66
                                          519.1
                                                  1419.4
                 31.893
                                 98.439
                                          359.93
                                                   1025
                           57.7
                 15.096 29.804 55.295
                                          242.03 732.79
                          13.47 27.573
                                          154.84 516.32
                         5.1548 11.767
                                          91.193 355.96
                                 4.1214
                                          46.976 237.16
                                  1.125
                                          19.725 149.15
                                          6.1485 83.951
                                           1.236 36.251
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The price of the European put option at t = 0, 0.50, 1, 1.50, 3, 4.5 for M = 20 are as following :

Time (t)	0	0.5	1	1.5	3	4.5
	15.634	8.4792	3.5042	0.94243	0	0
		15.487	8.0042	2.9982	0	0
		24.673	15.269	7.4363	0.0087053	0
			24.983	14.963	0.1721	0
			35.965	25.271	1.2357	0
				36.97	4.9582	0
				48.305	13.222	0
					25.955	0
					40.533	0.60155
					53.855	8.2812
					64.433	26.64
					72.358	46.278
					78.228	60.825
						71.603
						79.587
						85.502
						89.883
						93.129
						95.534

Note : The code checks for the **arbitrage** possibilities using the following conditions necessary for the market to be arbitrage free -

- $\bullet \quad d < e^{(rt)}$
- \bullet $e^{(rt)} < u$