

Coursework 2 Answer

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1 Question a)

1.1 Question a) i)

Recall that, for a European call option as

$$g(t, S_t) = S_t e^{-q(T-t)} \Phi(d_1) - K e^{-\rho(T-t)} \Phi(d_2)$$

where

$$d_1 = \frac{\log\left(\frac{S_t}{K}\right) + \left(\rho - q + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}$$
$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T-t}$$

and we have $S_0 = 5.35$, $K = 5.65$, $\rho = 5.4\%$, $T = \frac{9}{12} = 0.75$, $\sigma = 0.3$. In addition, since the stock is non-dividend paying, we have $q = 0$.

Hence, we have

$$d_1 = \frac{\log\left(\frac{5.35}{5.65}\right) + \left(0.054 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.3^2\right) \times 0.75}{0.3\sqrt{0.75}}$$
$$= 0.07578$$
$$d_2 = d_1 - 0.3\sqrt{0.75}$$
$$= -0.1840$$

substitute d_1 and d_2 into the formula, we have

$$g(0, S_0) = S_0 \Phi(d_1) - K e^{-\rho T} \Phi(d_2)$$
$$= 5.35 \Phi(0.07578) - 5.65 e^{-0.054 \times 0.75} \Phi(-0.1840)$$
$$= 0.5198$$

1.2 Question a) ii)

With Monte-Carlo simulation, we have European call option:

$$g(t, S_t) = e^{-\rho(T-t)} \mathbb{E} \left[(S_T - K)_+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$
$$\approx e^{-\rho(T-t)} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \left(S_t e^{a(T-t) + \sigma z_i \sqrt{T-t}} - K \right)_+$$

Using MATLAB, which shown in appendix 1, we can have the following solution

- For $M = 1000$, the call option price is: 0.53721
- For $M = 10000$, the call option price is: 0.5059
- For $M = 100000$, the call option price is: 0.52095
- For $M = 1000000$, the call option price is: 0.51886
- For $M = 10000000$, the call option price is: 0.51948
- For $M = 100000000$, the call option price is: 0.51989

1.3 Question a) iii)

As we calculated in Question a) i), we expect the call option price to be 0.5198.

As the error is decreasing as M increases, we can see that the Monte-Carlo simulation is converging to the true value, which is shown in Figure 1.

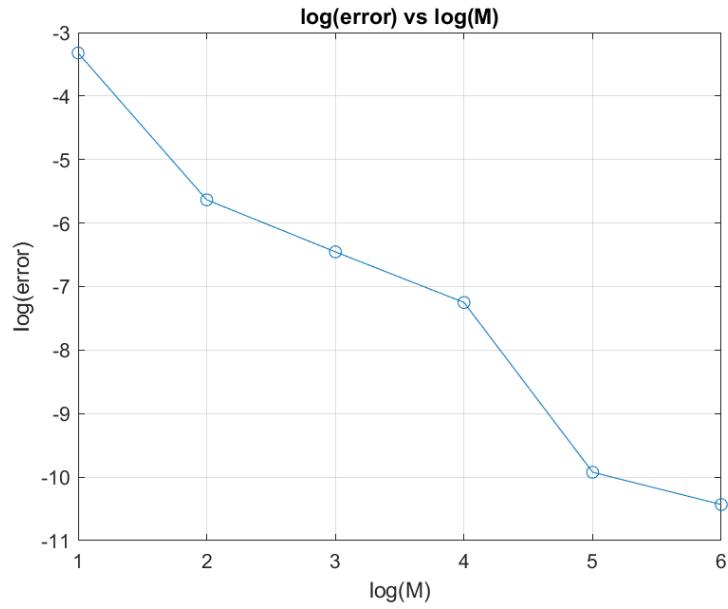
Hence we conclude that as M increases, the Monte-Carlo simulation is more accurate. In addition while M increases, the running time of the simulation also increases.

2 Question b)

by adjusting the code in Question a) ii) to match exotic option payoff $C = \max(8 \cos(S_T) - 5.65, 0)$, which is shown in appendix 2, we have

- For $M = 1000$, the exotic option price is: 0.50235
- For $M = 10000$, the exotic option price is: 0.49115
- For $M = 100000$, the exotic option price is: 0.48023
- For $M = 1000000$, the exotic option price is: 0.48059
- For $M = 10000000$, the exotic option price is: 0.48092
- For $M = 100000000$, the exotic option price is: 0.48067

Figure 1: Plot of the call option price against M



3 Question c)

3.1 Question c) i)

We have $S_0 = 5.35$, $K = 5.65$, $\rho = 5.4\%$, $T = \frac{12}{12} = 1$, $\sigma = 0.3$.

Recall that,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_G &= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{3}} \\
&= 0.1732 \\
b &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\rho - \frac{\sigma_G^2}{2} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(0.0054 - \frac{0.1732^2}{2} \right) \\
&= 0.0195 \\
d_1 &= \frac{\log\left(\frac{S_t}{K}\right) + \left(b + \frac{\sigma_G^2}{2}\right)(T-t)}{\sigma_G \sqrt{T-t}} \\
&= -0.1158 \\
d_2 &= d_1 - \sigma_G \sqrt{T-t} \\
&= -0.1158 - 0.1732\sqrt{1} \\
&= -0.2890
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we can substitute the values into the formula,

$$\begin{aligned}
g(0, S_0) &= S_0 e^{(b-\rho)T} \Phi(d_1) - K e^{-\rho T} \Phi(d_2) \\
&= 5.35 \times e^{(0.0195-0.054) \times 1} \Phi(-0.1158) - 5.65 \times e^{-0.054 \times 1} \Phi(-0.2890) \\
&= 0.2782
\end{aligned}$$

3.2 Question c) ii)

For the Monte-Carlo simulation, we used a matrix sampling M points at a time. Then do the calculation n times for simulating Asian call option. The code is shown in appendix 3,

Using MATLAB we have the following solution

- For M = 1000, the asian option price is: 0.28874
- For M = 10000, the asian option price is: 0.2827
- For M = 100000, the asian option price is: 0.28446
- For M = 1000000, the asian option price is: 0.28123
- For M = 10000000, the asian option price is: 0.28159

Appendix

A MATLAB Code

Listing 1: Question a)ii)

```
S0 = 5.35;
K = 5.65;
r = 0.054;
T = 0.75;
sigma = 0.3;

Ms = [1000, 10000, 100000, 1000000, 10000000, 100000000];

gt = 0.5198;

for i = 1:length(Ms)
    M = Ms(i);
    callPrice = MonteCarloCallPrice(S0, K, r, T, sigma, M);
    disp(['For M = ', num2str(M), ', the call option price ...
        is: ', num2str(callPrice)]);
end

% plot error
errors = zeros(length(Ms), 1);
for i = 1:length(Ms)
    M = Ms(i);
    callPrice = MonteCarloCallPrice(S0, K, r, T, sigma, M);
    errors(i) = abs(callPrice - gt);
end

plot(1:length(Ms), log(errors), 'o-');
xlabel('log(M)');
ylabel('log(error)');
title('log(error) vs log(M)');
grid on;
saveas(gcf, 'a_2.png');

function callPrice = MonteCarloCallPrice(S0, K, r, T, ...
    sigma, M)
    % calculate a
    a = r - 0.5 * sigma^2;
```

```

% init callValues
callValues = zeros(M, 1);

% simulate M times
for i = 1:M
    % generate a random number from standard Brownian ...
    % motion
    z = randn;

    % calculate ST
    ST = S0 * exp(a * T + sigma * z * sqrt(T));

    % calculate call value
    callValues(i) = max(ST - K, 0);
end

% calculate call price
callPrice = exp(-r * T) * mean(callValues);
end

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Listing 2: Question b)

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S0 = 5.35;
K = 5.65;
r = 0.054;
T = 0.75;
sigma = 0.3;

Ms = [1000, 10000, 100000, 1000000, 10000000, 100000000];

gt = 0.5198;

for i = 1:length(Ms)
    M = Ms(i);
    callPrice = MonteCarloCallPrice(S0, K, r, T, sigma, M);
    disp(['For M = ', num2str(M), ', the exotic option ...
        price is: ', num2str(callPrice)]);
end

function callPrice = MonteCarloCallPrice(S0, K, r, T, ...
    sigma, M)
    % calculate a
    a = r - 0.5 * sigma^2;

```

```

% init callValues
callValues = zeros(M, 1);

% simulate M times
for i = 1:M
    % generate a random number from standard Brownian ...
    % motion.
    z = randn;

    % calculate ST
    ST = S0 * exp(a * T + sigma * z * sqrt(T));

    % calculate call value
    callValues(i) = max(8 * cos(ST) - 5.65, 0);
end

% calculate call price
callPrice = exp(-r * T) * mean(callValues);
end

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Listing 3: Question c)ii)

```

S0 = 5.35;
K = 5.65;
r = 0.054;
T = 1;
sigma = 0.3;

Ms = [1000, 10000, 100000, 1000000, 10000000];
n = 100;

for i = 1:length(Ms)
    M = Ms(i);
    asianOptionPrice = AsianCallOptionMonteCarlo(S0, K, r, ...
        T, sigma, M, n);
    disp(['For M = ', num2str(M), ', the asian option ...
        price is: ', num2str(asianOptionPrice)]);
end

function asianOptionPrice = AsianCallOptionMonteCarlo(S0, ...
    K, r, T, sigma, M, n)
    dt = T / n;

    % generate n time points

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t = linspace(dt, T, n);

% generate standard Brownian motion.
Z = randn(n, M) * sqrt(dt);

% calculate all stock prices
S = S0 * exp(cumsum((r - 0.5 * sigma^2) * dt + sigma * ...
    Z, 1));

% calculate each path's geometric mean
A_T = exp(mean(log(S), 1));

% calculate call value
callValues = max(A_T - K, 0);

% calculate call price
asianOptionPrice = exp(-r * T) * mean(callValues);
end

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