

# NPDE for Option Pricing : Assignment #1

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## Problem 1

### [Summary]

- 1) For the vanilla put option, our methods showed the second order convergence rate on both the put option price and all the three Greeks.
- 2) For the binary put option, our methods showed around first order convergence rate on both the put option price and all the three Greeks.
- 3) From my computation, the results of three methods are very similar, the Crank-Nicolson method performance a little bit better than the other two.

### [Statement of the problem]

1. Compute the values of the European vanilla put for  $E^* = \$10$ ,  $r^* = 0.05/yr$ ,  $\sigma^* = 0.20/yr$  and with a six month expiry with and without Rannacher smoothing. Report the error as a function of  $\delta S$  and  $\delta \tau$ . Compute the greeks,  $\delta$  and  $\Gamma$  and their errors. Propose and implement a technique to compute the  $v = \partial V / \partial \sigma$  and report on its performance. Test the effects of the outer boundary on the solution in the range  $[0, K]$ .
2. Redo the previous task for the European binary put. In particular, examine the solution for large  $\delta \tau$  and no smoothing

### [Description of The Mathematics]

The BSM and boundary condition for European put option is:

$$\begin{cases} V_t + \frac{\sigma^2 S^2}{2} V_{SS} + rSV_s - rV = 0 \\ V(0, t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)} \\ V(\infty, t) = 0 \\ V(S, T) = \max(K - S, 0) \end{cases}$$

combine :  $\delta_t^+ V_j^n + L_h[\alpha V_j^{n+1} + (1 - \alpha)V_j^n] = 0$

$\alpha = 1$  : Back Euler

$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$  : Crank-Nicolson method

#### **Backward Euler method:**

The scheme for the Backward Euler method is given by:

$$\frac{V_{i,j} - V_{i,j-1}}{\delta t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(i\delta S)^2 \frac{V_{i+1,j-1} - 2V_{i,j-1} + V_{i-1,j-1}}{\delta S^2} + r(i\delta S) \frac{V_{i+1,j-1} - V_{i-1,j-1}}{2\delta S} - rV_{i,j-1} = 0$$

we can rewrite it as:

$$V_{i,j} = A_i V_{i-1,j-1} + B_i V_{i,j-1} + C_i V_{i+1,j-1}$$

where:

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2}\delta t(r_i - \sigma^2 i^2), B_i = 1 + (\sigma^2 i^2 + r)\delta t, C_i = -\frac{1}{2}\delta t(r_i + \sigma^2 i^2)$$

**Crank-Nicolson method:**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{V_{ij} - V_{i,j-1}}{\delta t} + \frac{ri\delta S}{2} + \left( \frac{V_{i+1,j-1} - V_{i-1,j-1}}{2\delta S} + \frac{ri\delta S}{2} \left( \frac{V_{i+1,j} - V_{i-1,j}}{2\delta S} \right) + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{\sigma^2 i^2 (\delta S)^2}{4} \left( \frac{V_{i+1,j-1} - 2V_{i,j-1} + V_{i-1,j-1}}{(\delta S)^2} \right) + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{\sigma^2 i^2 (\delta S)^2}{4} \left( \frac{V_{i+1,j} - 2V_{i,j} + V_{i-1,j}}{(\delta S)^2} \right) \right) = \frac{r}{2} V_{i,j-1} + \frac{r}{2} V_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

We can rewrite the above equation as:

$$-\alpha_i V_{i-1,j-1} + (1 - \beta_i) V_{i,j-1} - \gamma_i V_{i+1,j-1} = \alpha_i V_{i-1,j} + (1 + \beta_i) V_{i,j} + \gamma_i V_{i+1,j}$$

Where:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_i &= \frac{\Delta t}{4} (\sigma^2 i^2 - ri) \\ \beta_i &= -\frac{\Delta t}{2} (\sigma^2 i^2 + r) \\ \gamma_i &= \frac{\Delta t}{4} (\sigma^2 i^2 + ri) \end{aligned}$$

**Ranacher Smooth method**

- (1) We use backward Euler for a few  $n \geq 2$  time steps
- (2) Use Crank-Nicolson after that: given second order accuracy

**Close form Black Scholes formula**

To test the result for the SDE model of the option pricing, we also need to know the close form solution of the Black-Scholes assumptions, which is the famous Black-Scholes formula.

For the European put options:

$$P(S, t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}N(-d_2) - SN(-d_1)$$

where:

$$d_1 = \frac{\log \frac{S}{K} + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\log \frac{S}{K} + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}$$

$$N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{1}{2}s^2} ds$$

**Delta for Vanilla put option:**

$$-e^{-q\tau}\Phi(-d_1)$$

**Gamma for Vanilla put option:**

$$-e^{-q\tau} \frac{\Phi(d_1)}{S\sigma\sqrt{\tau}}$$

**Vega for Vanilla put option:**

$$Se^{-q\tau}\phi(d_1)\sqrt{\tau} = Ke^{-r\tau}\phi(d_2)\sqrt{\tau}$$

where  $q$  here is the dividend rate which is equal to 0 in our problem.

**[Results]**

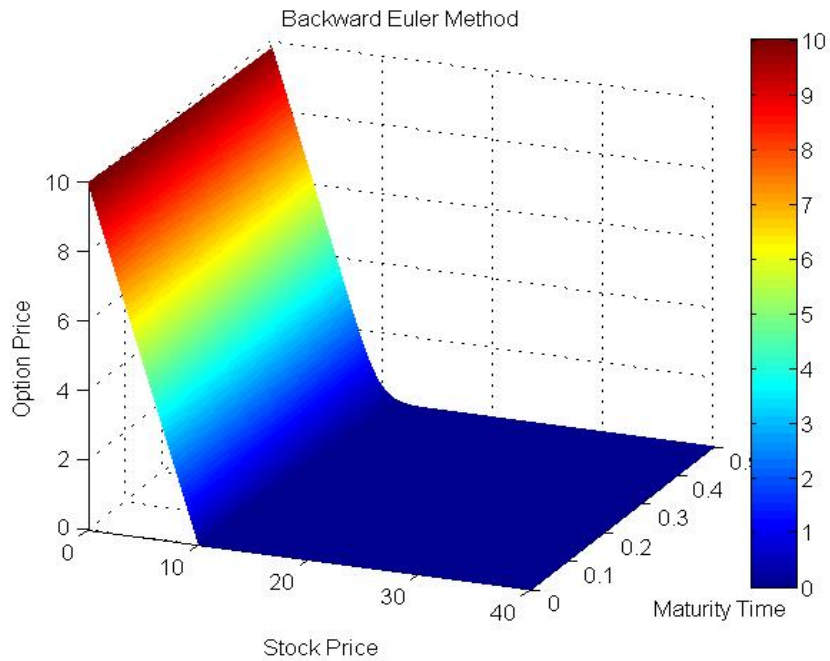
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First, for the regular vanilla put option:

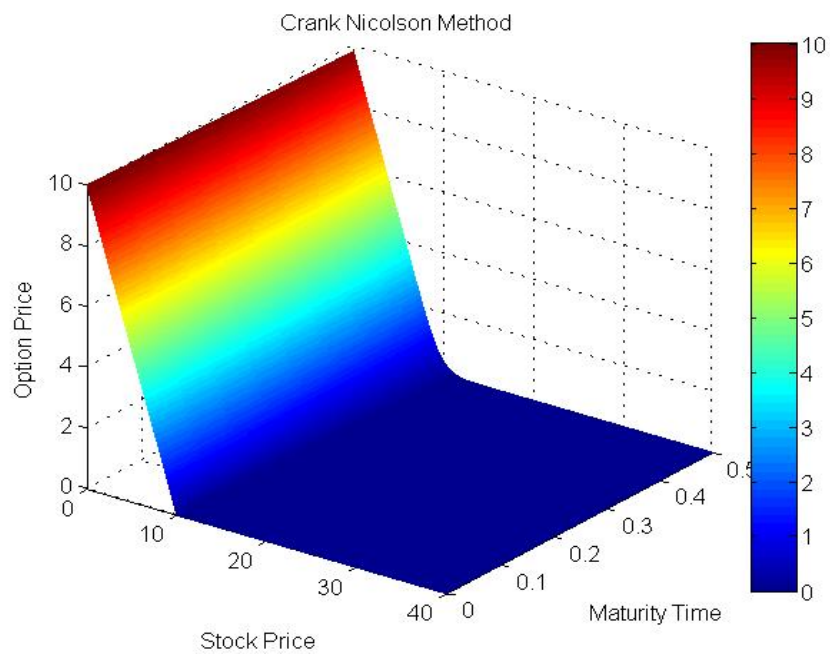
We run the models with different time and stock price steps, and the following are results when we choose the number of time steps and the number of stock price steps both equal to 640.

**Option price:**

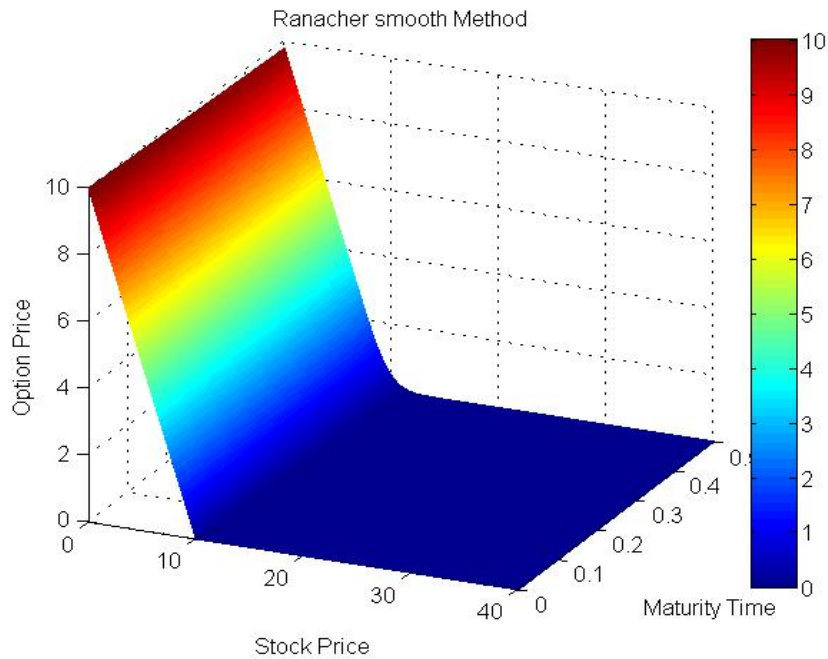
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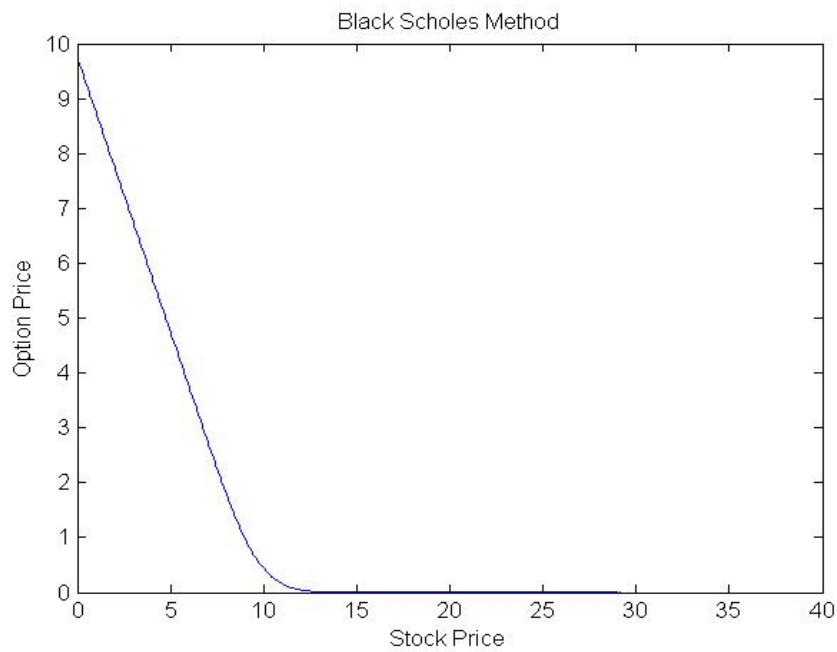
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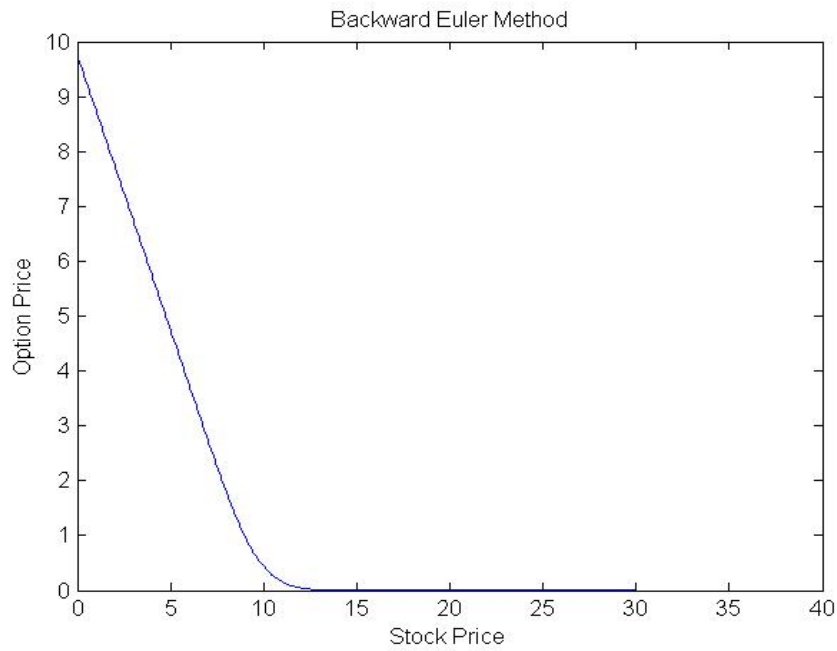
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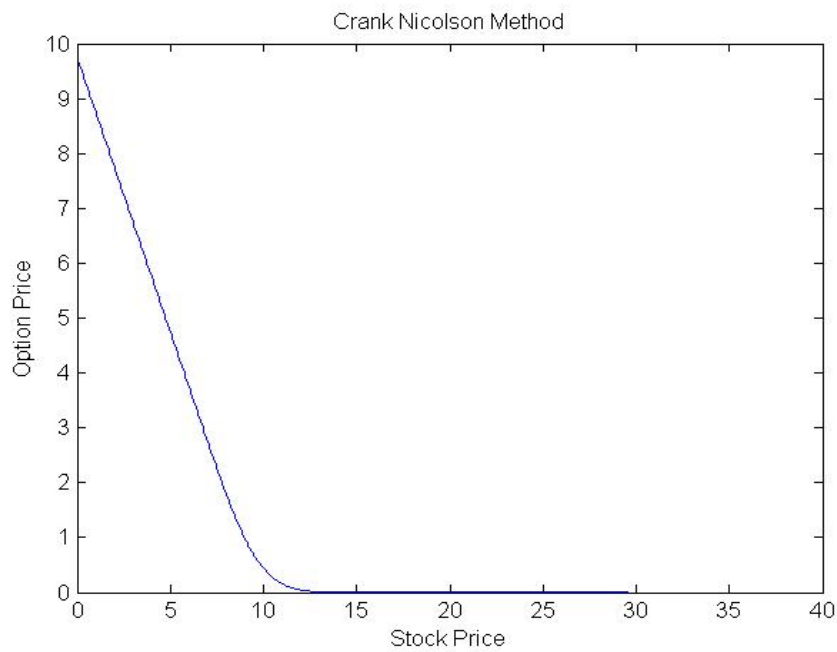
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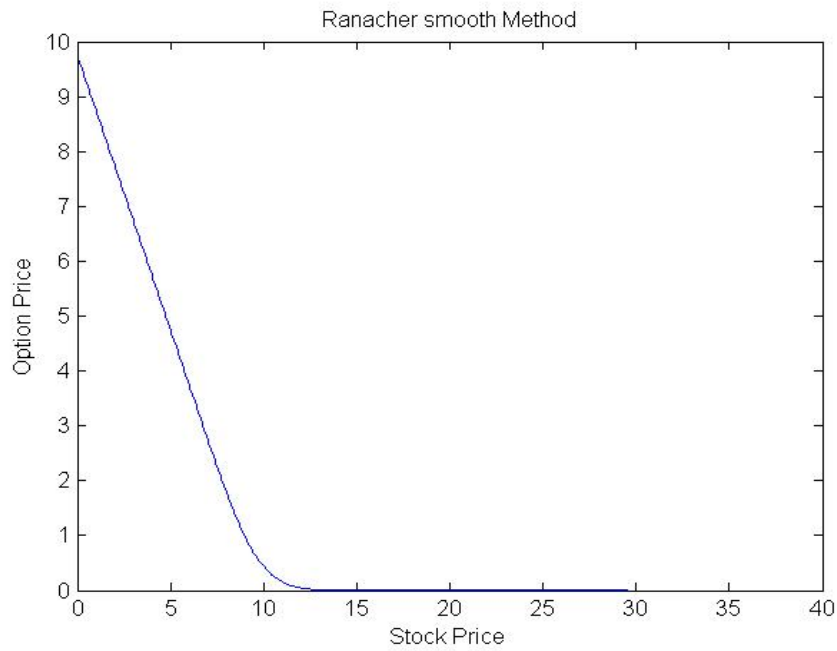


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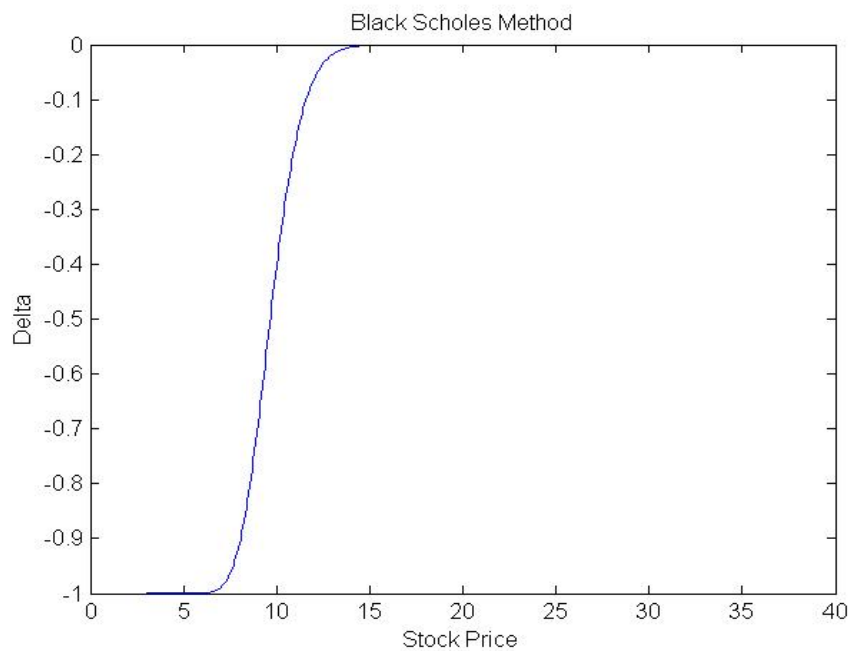


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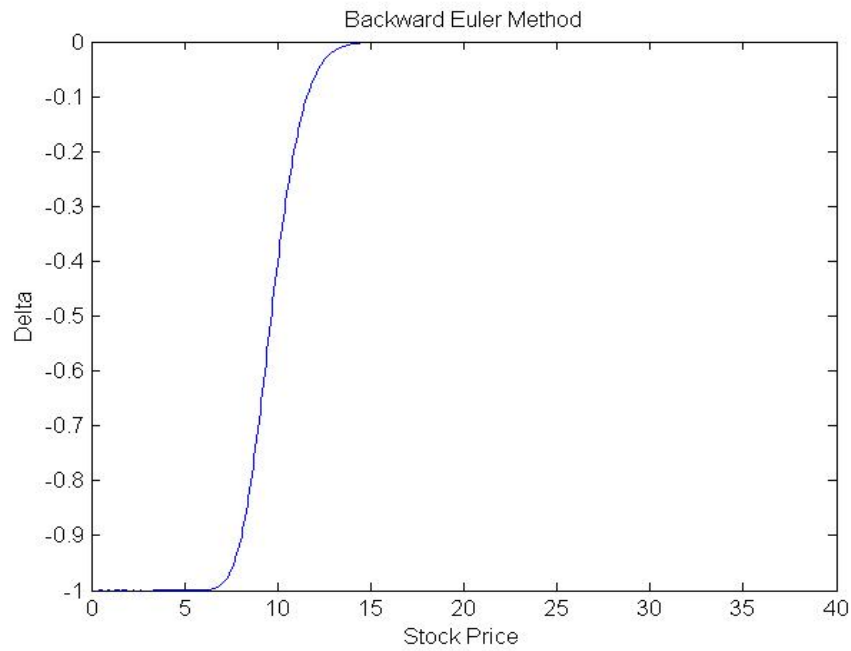


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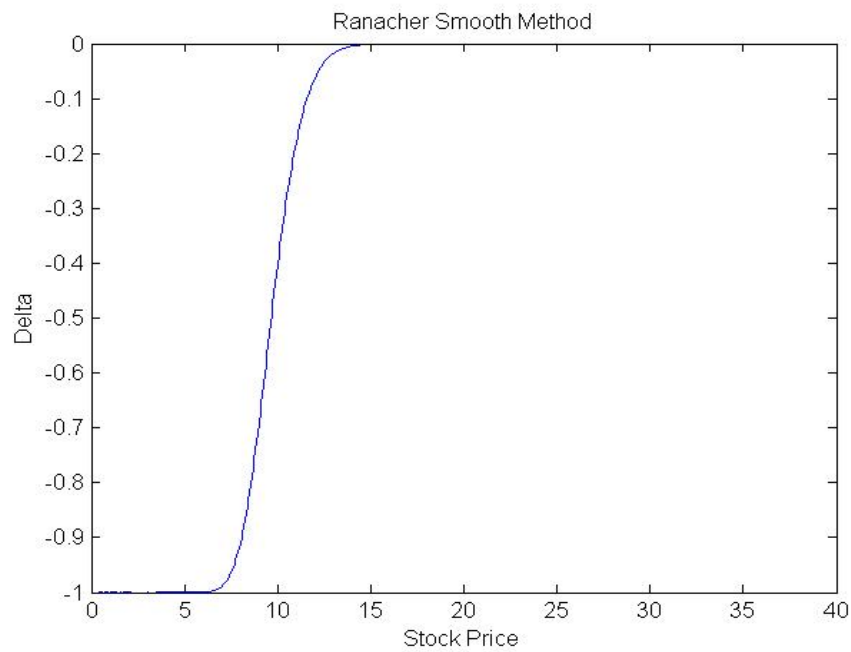
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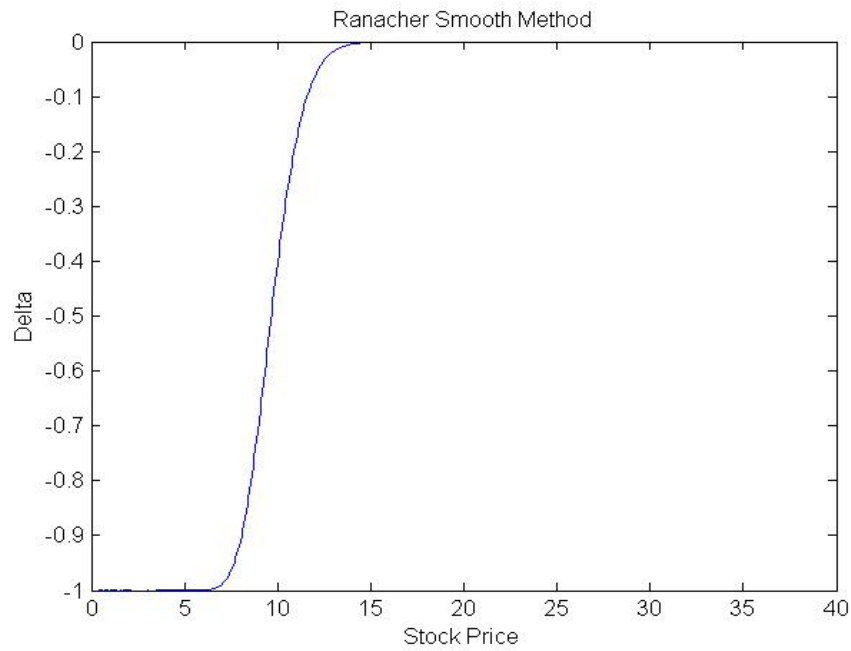
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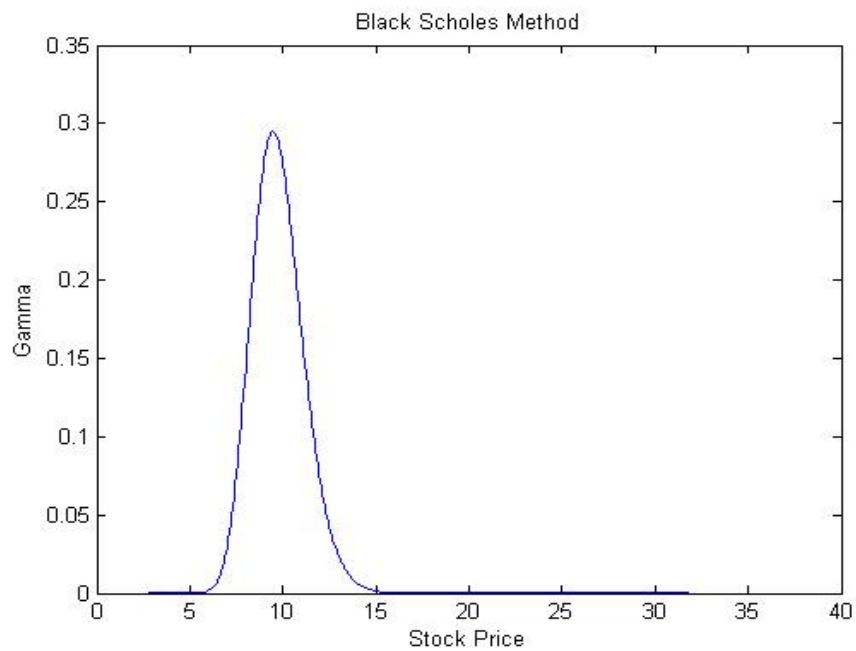
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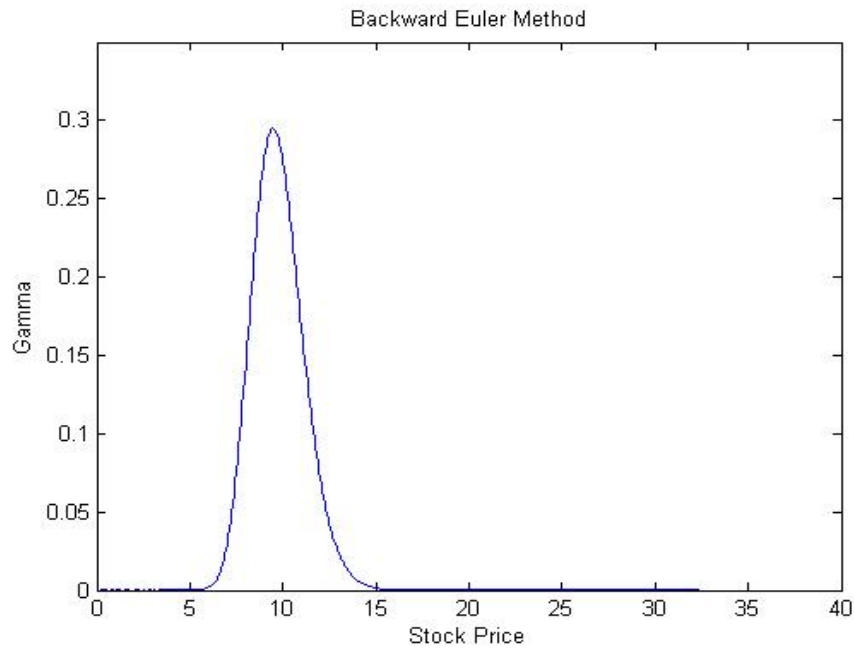
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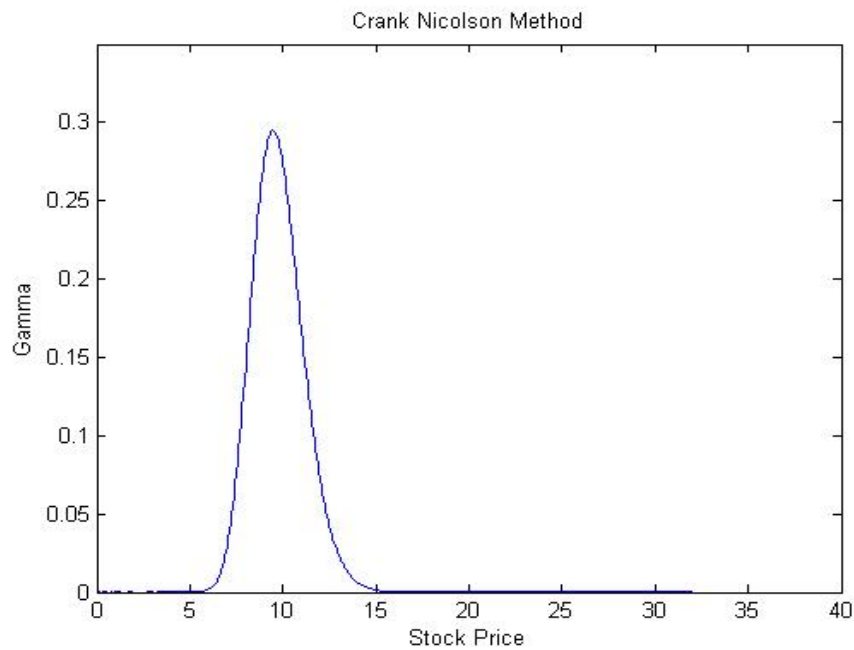
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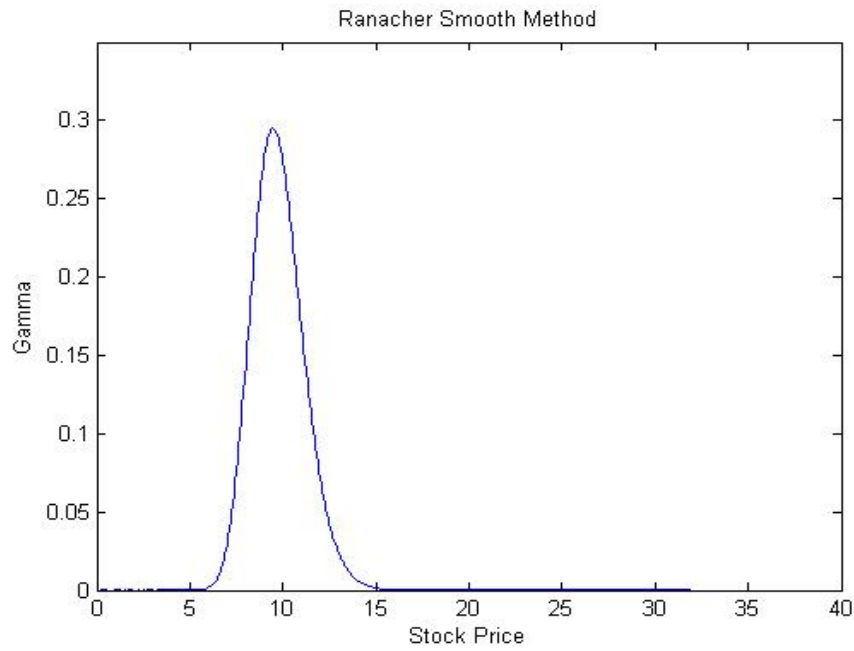
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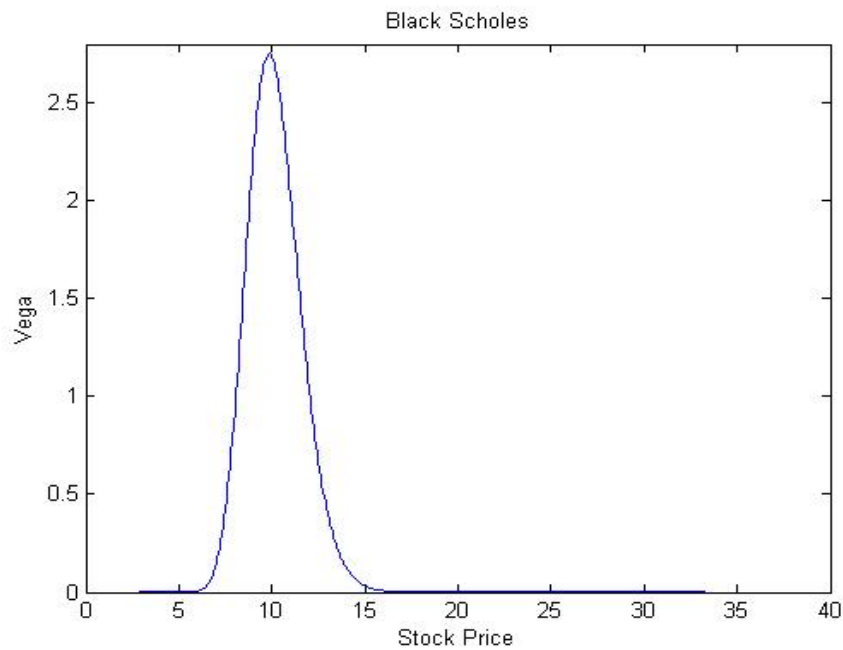
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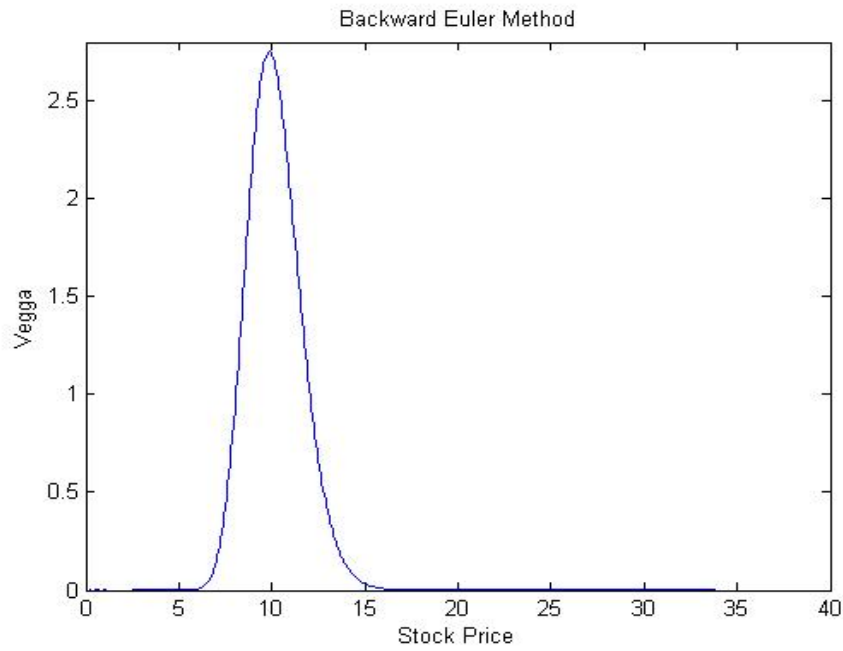
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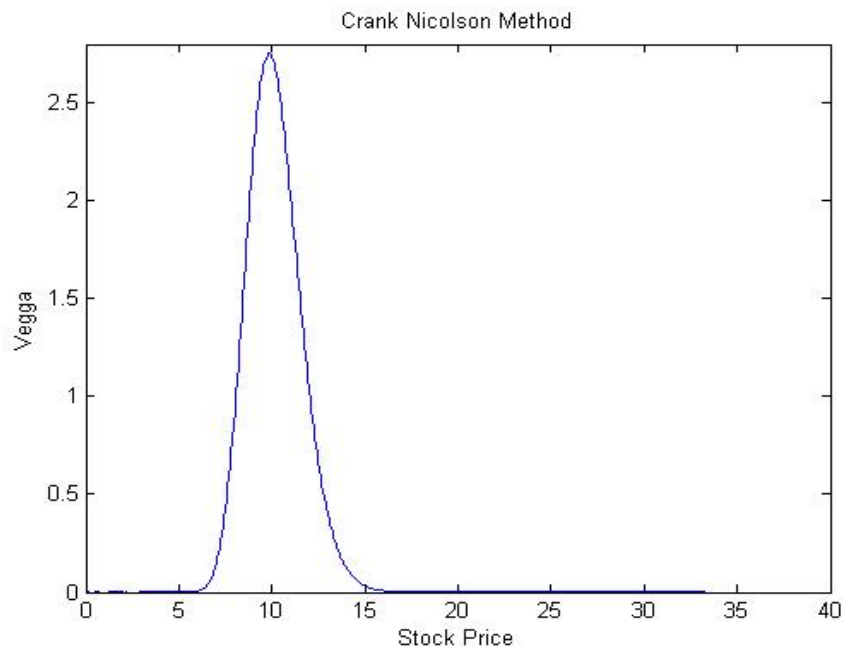
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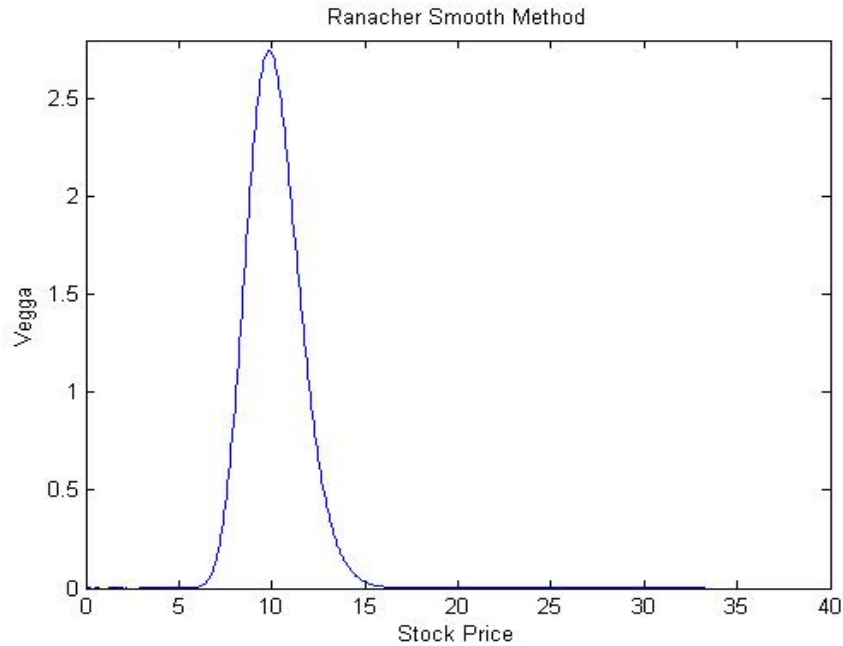
The Vega of option price under Backward Euler Methods:



The Vega of option price under Crank Nicolson Methods:



The Vega of option price under Ranacher Smooth Methods:



### Error Test

First set the  $N_x$  equal to 640 and see the error change based on the change of  $N_t$

$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	0.003594387		0.001567487		0.012230367	
40	0.001867687	1.92	0.000132867	11.80	0.006112979	2.00
80	0.00100197	1.86	0.000135258	0.98	0.003055939	2.00
160	0.000568873	1.76	0.000137234	0.99	0.001527832	2.00
320	0.000352555	1.61	0.000137727	1.00	0.000763881	2.00
640	0.000244465	1.44	0.000137851	1.00	0.000396422	1.93

Next set the  $N_t$  equal to 640 and see the error change based on the change of  $N_x$

$N_x$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	0.163436618		0.163344756		0.163662174	
40	0.040302554	4.06	0.040159448	4.07	0.040454358	4.05
80	0.009109848	4.42	0.008996653	4.46	0.009257477	4.37
160	0.00231537	3.93	0.002206775	4.08	0.00246187	3.76
320	0.00065681	3.53	0.000552129	4.00	0.000802989	3.07
640	0.000244465	2.69	0.000137851	4.01	0.000396422	2.03

Finally change both  $N_t$  and  $N_s$

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.166238921		0.163327854		0.173703389	
40	40	0.042442619	3.92	0.040143068	4.07	0.044943594	3.86
80	80	0.009901673	4.29	0.008993691	4.46	0.011095262	4.05
160	160	0.002640911	3.75	0.002206118	4.08	0.003229567	3.44
320	320	0.000764333	3.46	0.000552005	4.00	0.001062514	3.04
640	640	0.000244465	3.13	0.000137851	4.00	0.000396422	2.68

For the Greeks, We only test the convergence rate that both  $N_x$  and  $N_t$  are changed.

Delta:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.040638928		0.040343351		0.042947343	
40	40	0.012125597	3.35	0.011656525	3.46	0.012815246	3.35
80	80	0.004392592	2.76	0.004071524	2.86	0.004890106	2.62
160	160	0.001321169	3.32	0.001036892	3.93	0.003048254	1.60
320	320	0.000460403	2.87	0.000262897	3.94	0.003048076	1.00
640	640	0.000182361	2.52	6.58197E-05	3.99	0.003047988	1.00

Gamma:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.07304392		0.073453933		0.071442482	
40	40	0.035599504	2.05	0.035458092	2.07	0.0345424	2.07
80	80	0.009692153	3.67	0.009562398	3.71	0.00911713	3.79
160	160	0.002839872	3.41	0.002495421	3.83	0.006096616	1.50
320	320	0.000856993	3.31	0.000625908	3.99	0.012192524	0.50
640	640	0.00030478	2.81	0.000156592	4.00	0.02438434	0.50

Vega:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.39866406		0.440434356		0.341570382	
40	40	0.264507211	1.51	0.272835462	1.61	0.245209753	1.39
80	80	0.04499004	5.88	0.049463898	5.52	0.057953377	4.23
160	160	0.01112004	4.05	0.011662777	4.24	0.020572162	2.82
320	320	0.003324887	3.34	0.002888742	4.04	0.007843445	2.62
640	640	0.001170097	2.84	0.000721944	4.00	0.00334992	2.34

## Problem 2

Re do the problem 1 for the Binary option. **Binary put option:**

The binary put option is that the payoff will be 1 if the maturity time stock price is lower than the strike price, otherwise it will be 0;

All the other assumptions are same with the vanilla put option. So we can rewrite the formula as follows:

Note that the boundary conditions changed.

$$\begin{cases} V_t + \frac{\sigma^2 S^2}{2} V_{SS} + rSV_s - rV = 0 \\ V(0, t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \\ V(\infty, t) = 0 \\ V(S, T) = I_{\{S \leq K\}} \end{cases}$$

**Close form solution of the binary put:** The Black-Scholes formula for binary put option is:



$$-e^{-r(T-t)}N(-d_2)$$

where the  $N(x)$  here is the cumulative function of standard normal distribution:

**Delta:**

$$-\frac{e^{-r(T-t)}N'(d_2)}{\sigma S\sqrt{(T-t)}}$$

**Gamma:**

$$-\frac{e^{-r(T-t)}d_1N'(d_2)}{\sigma^2 S^2(T-t)}$$

**Vega:**

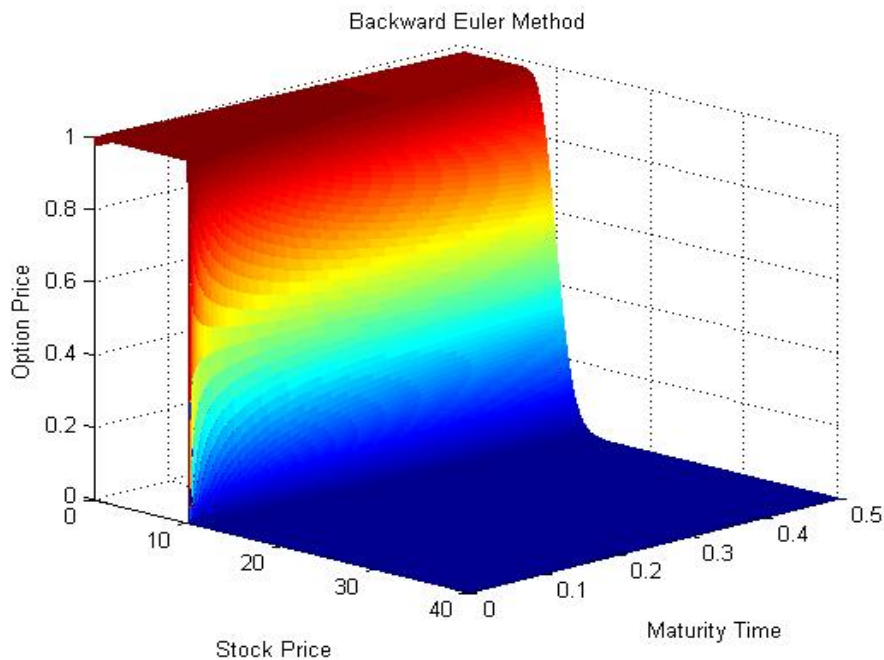
$$-e^{-r(T-t)}N'(d_2)\frac{d_1}{\sigma}$$

**Option price:**

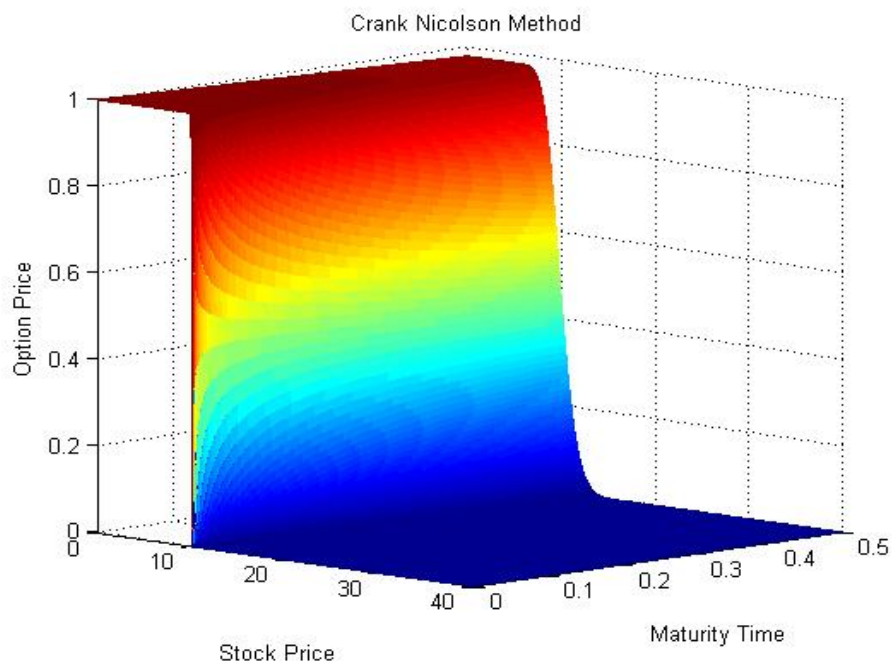
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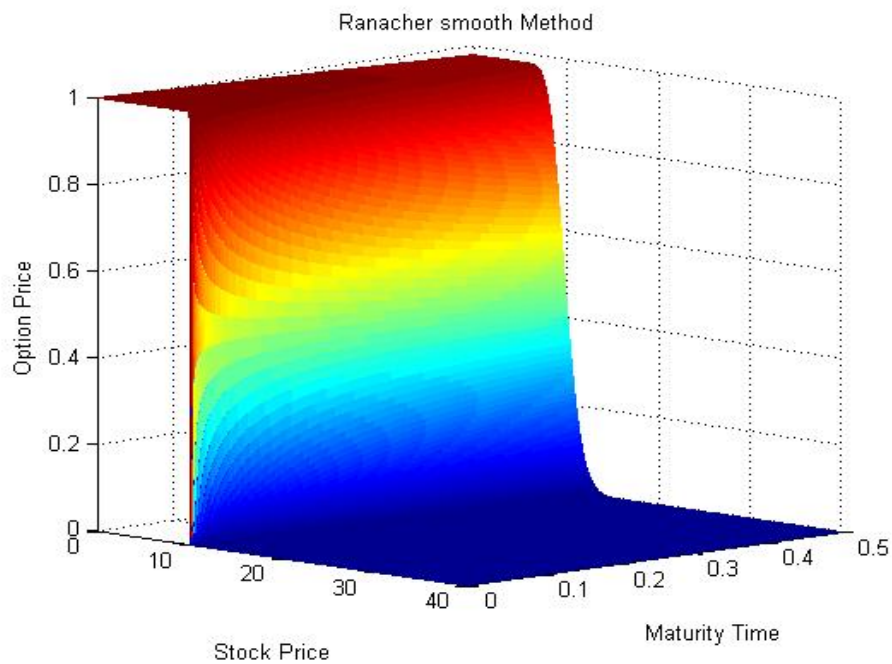
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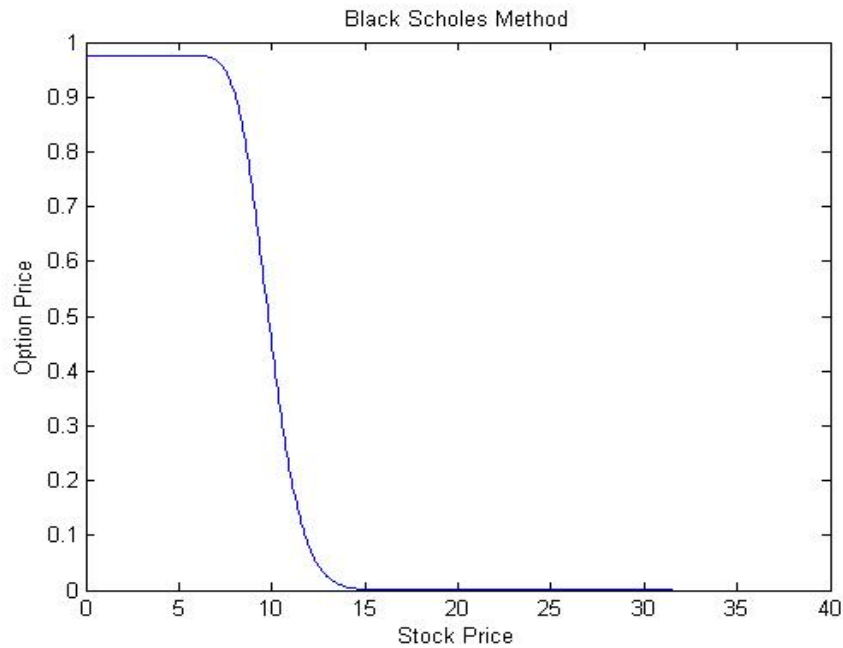
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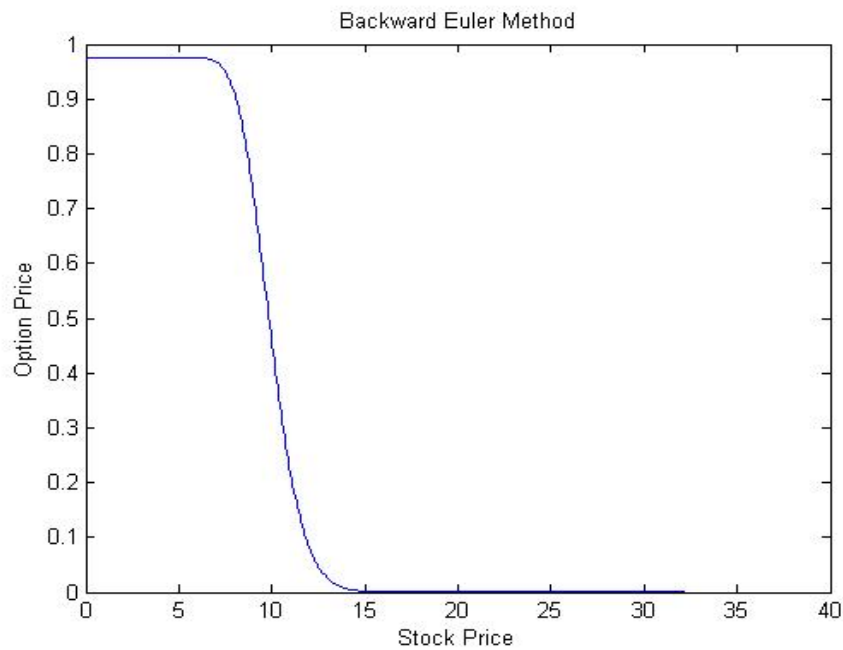
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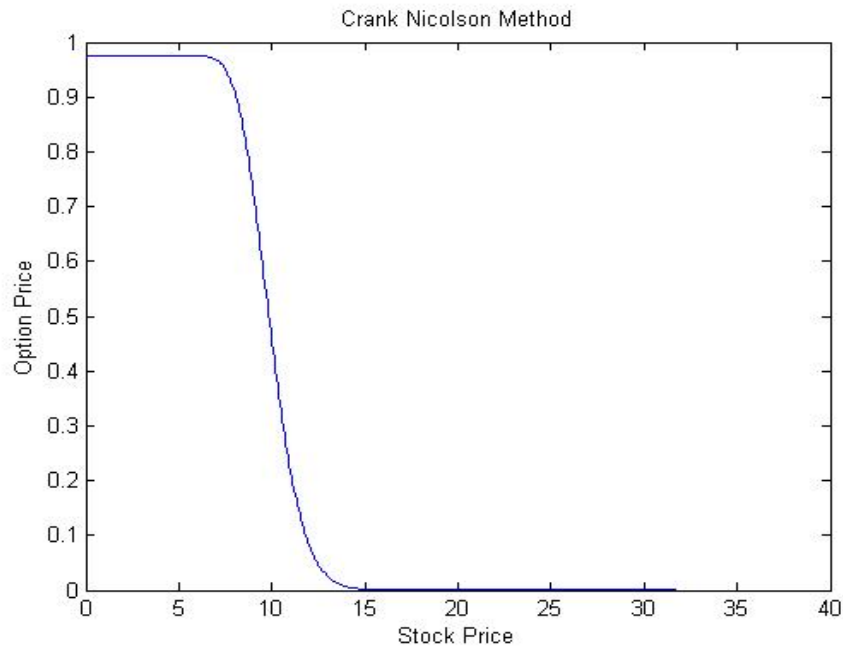
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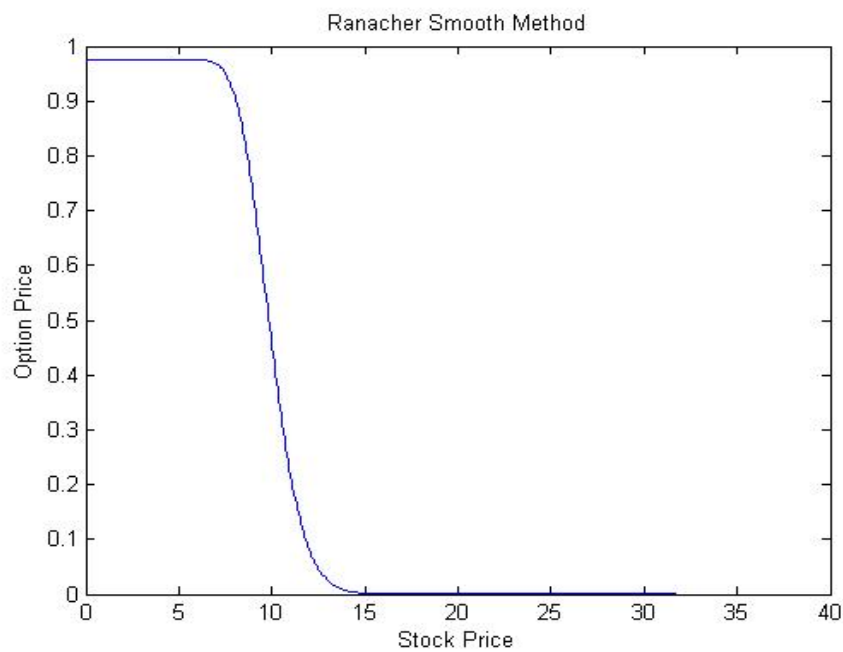
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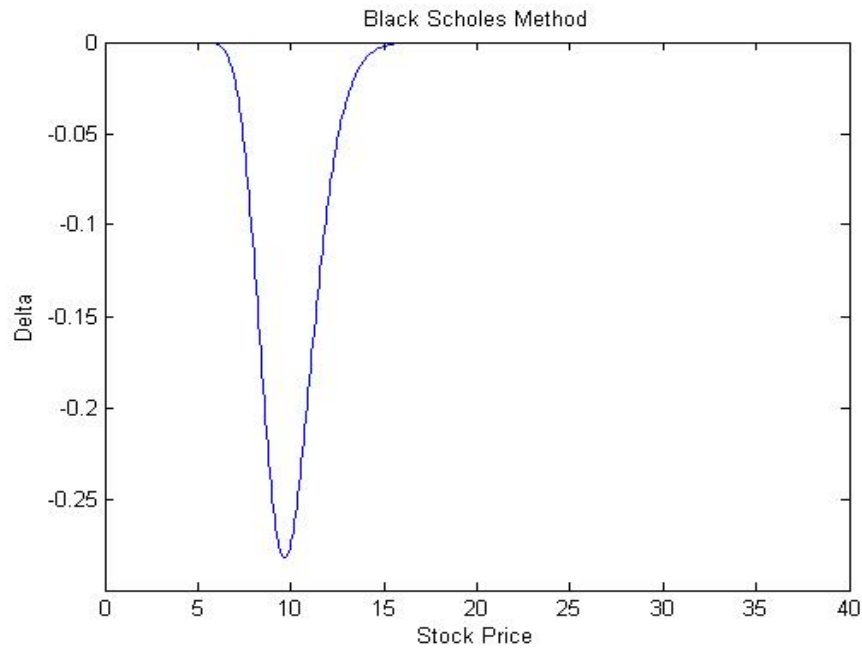


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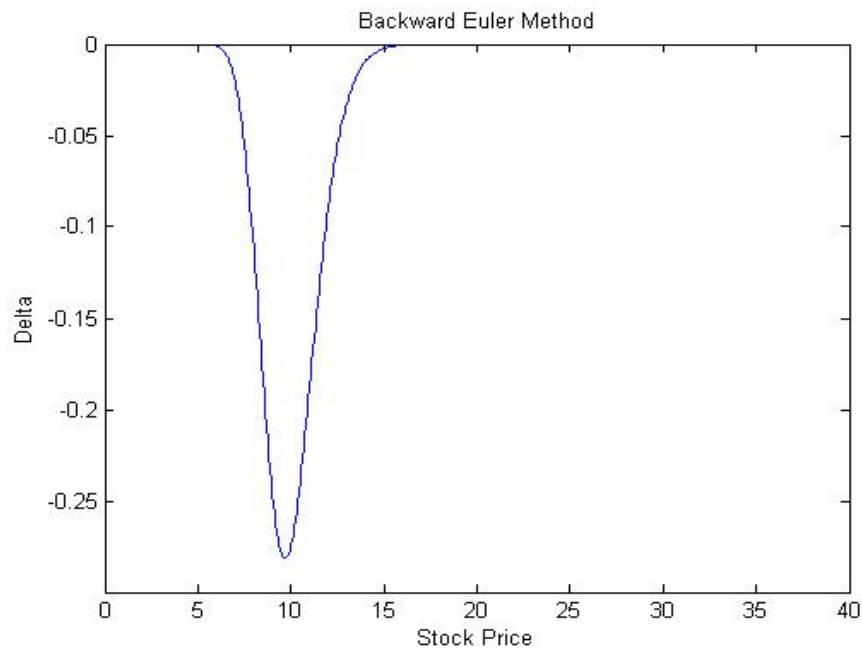


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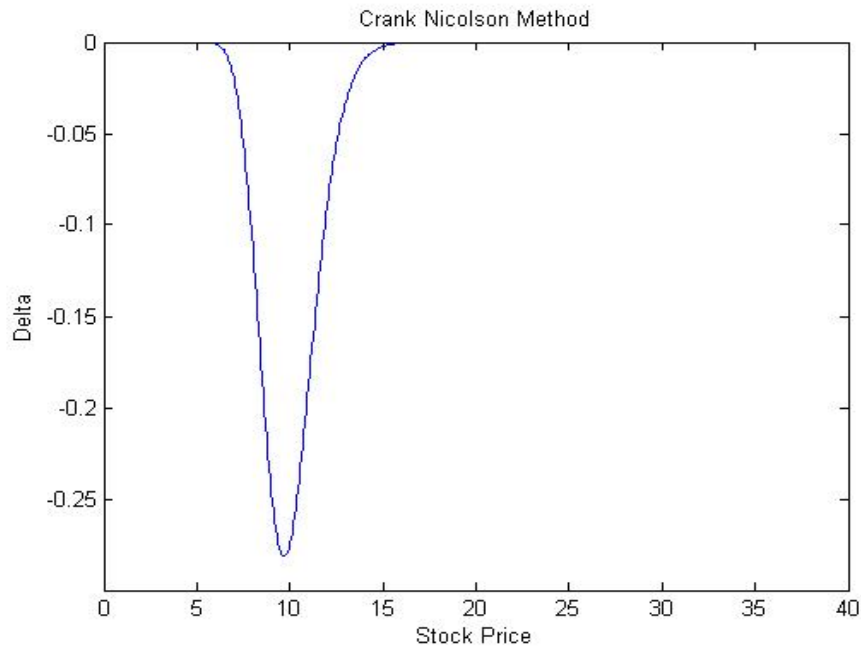
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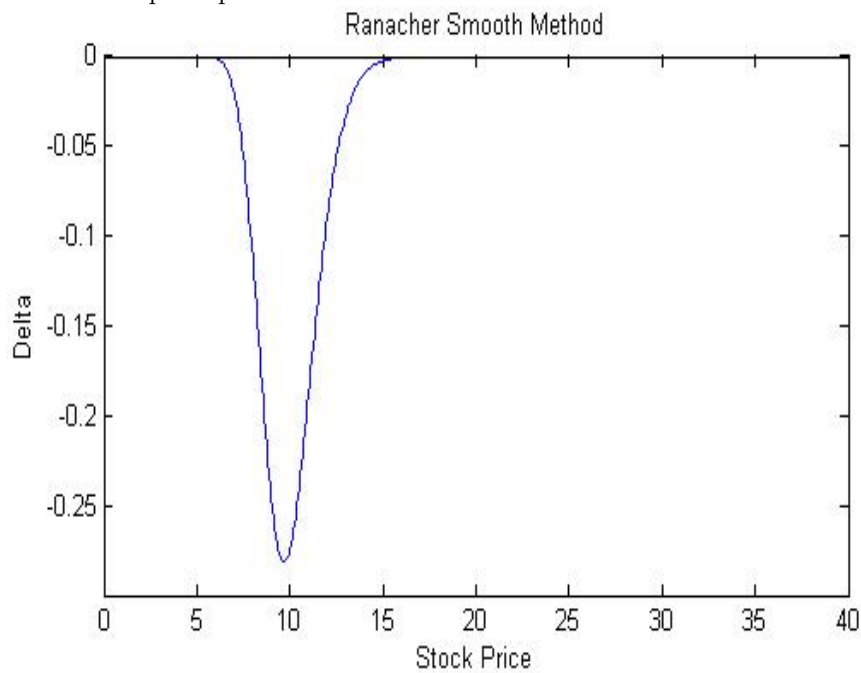
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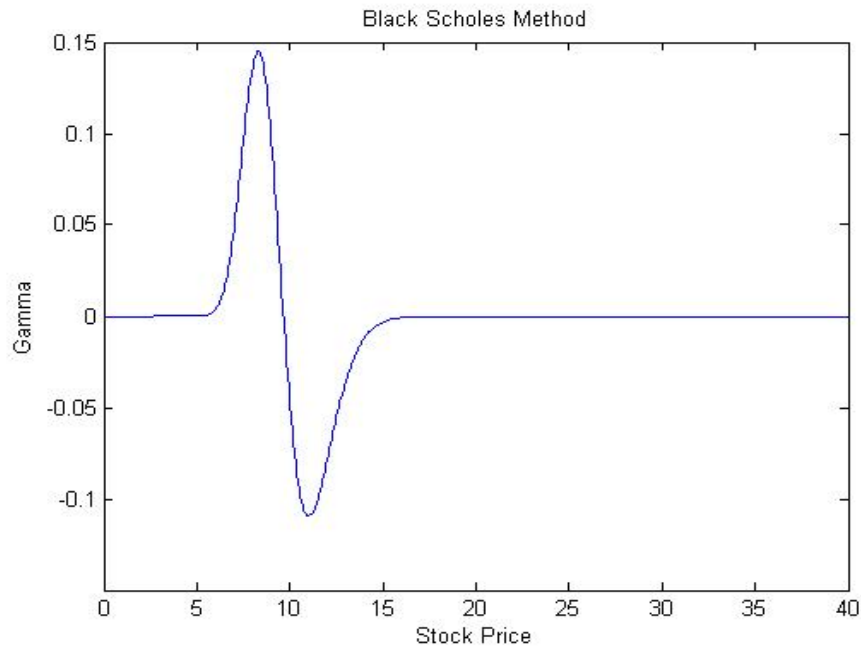


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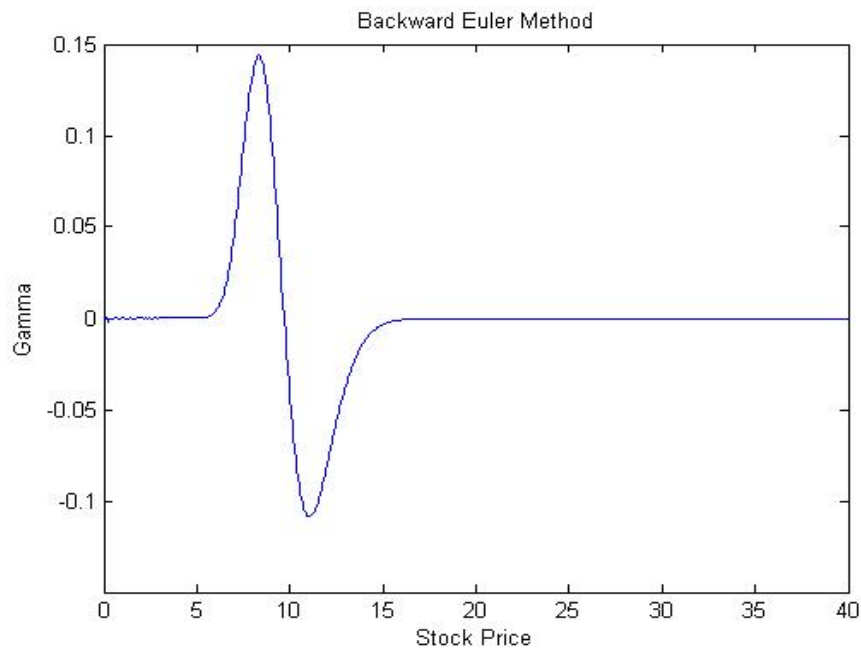


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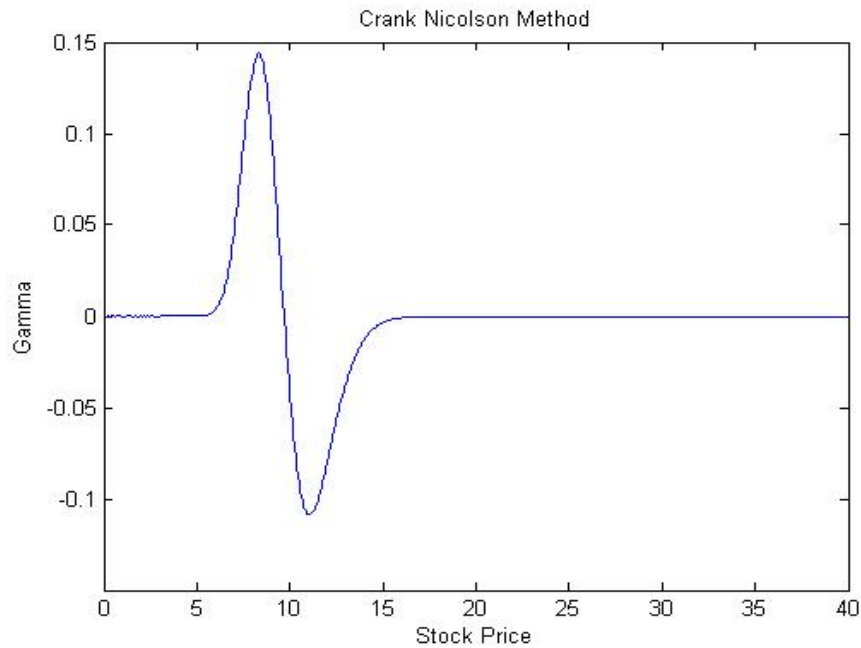
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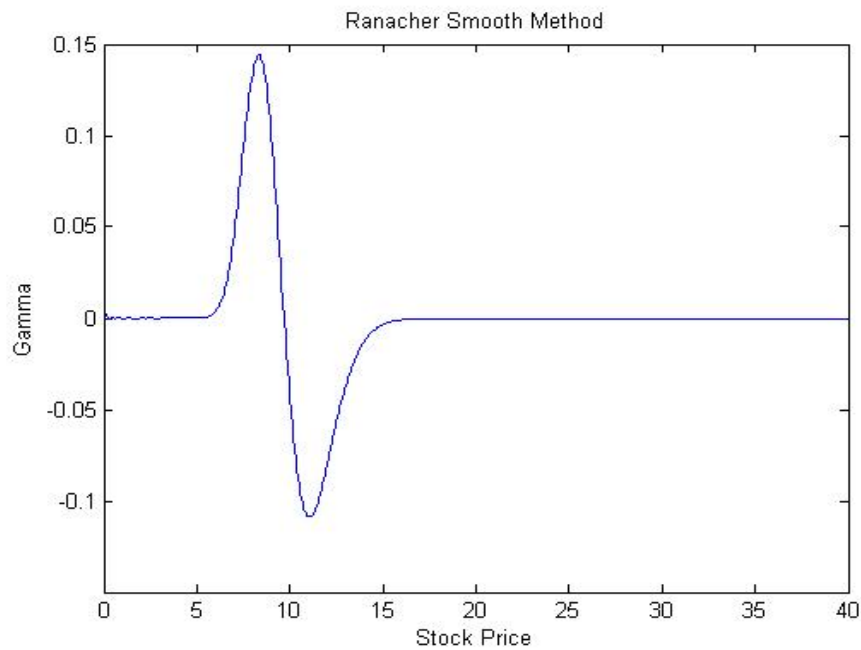
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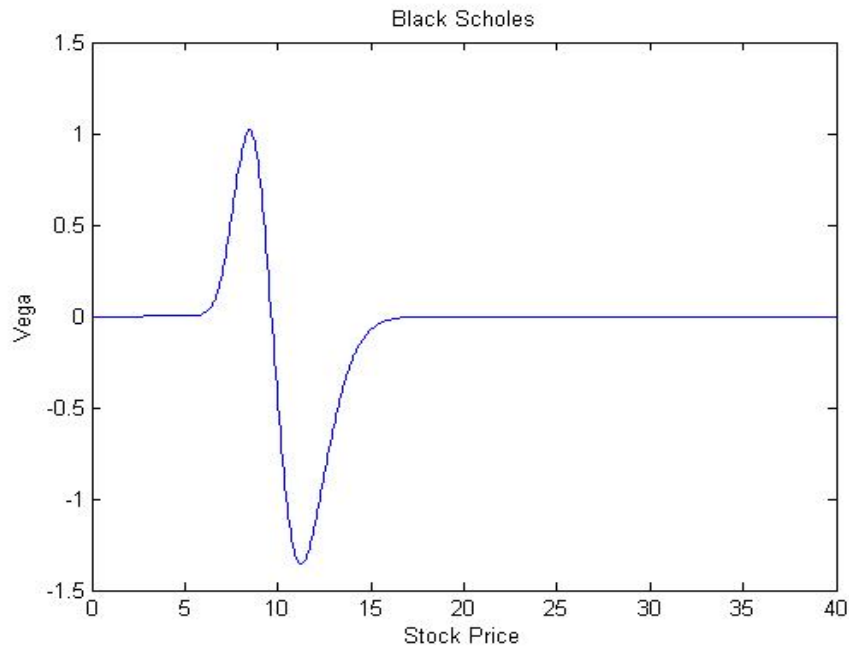


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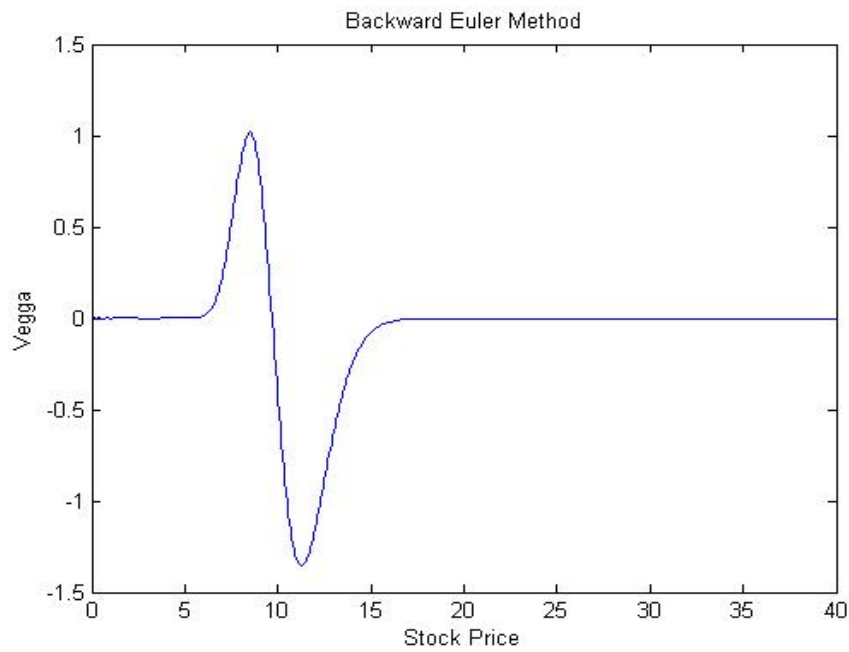


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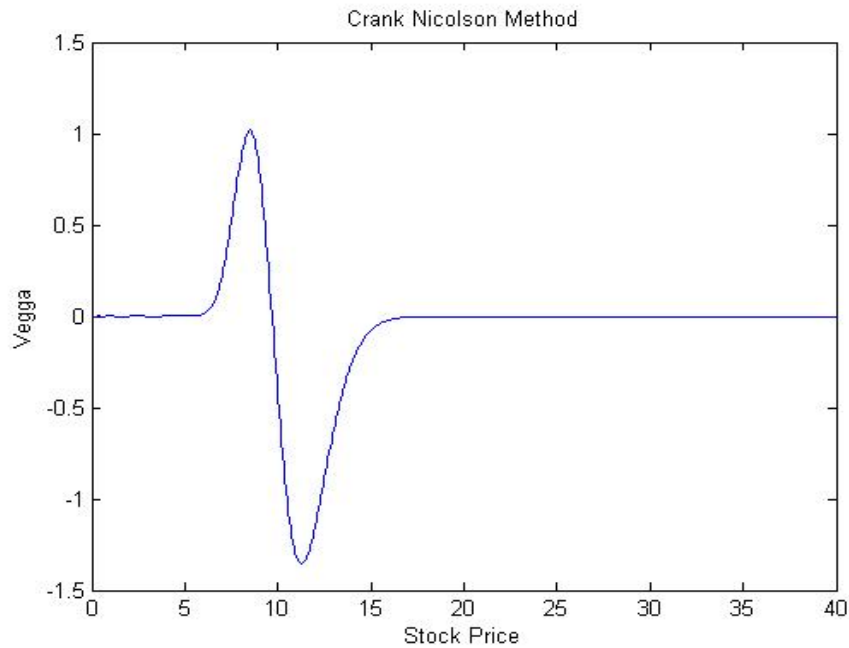




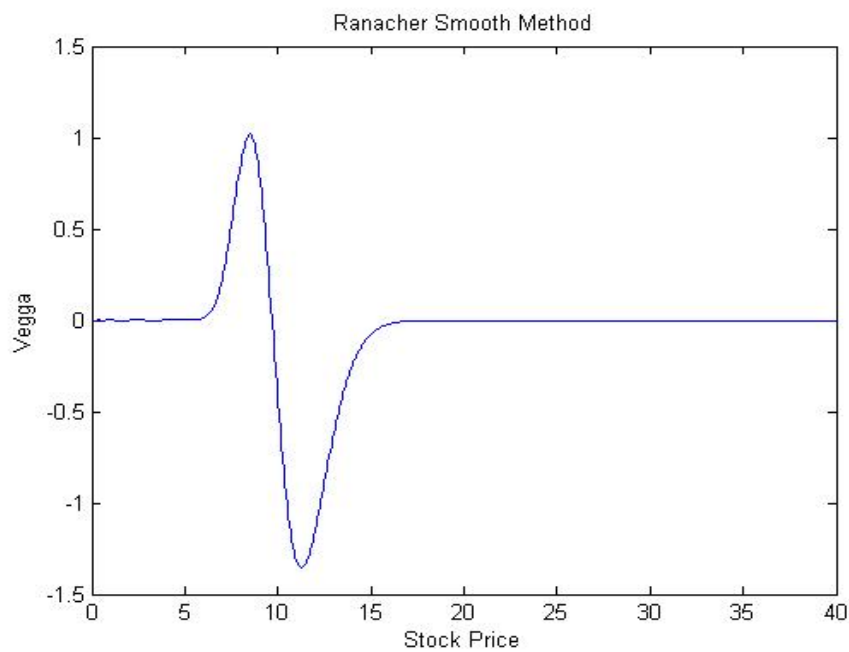
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**Error Test:**

We increased both the  $N_x$  and  $N_t$  from 20 to 640, to see the convergence rate of different methods for the binary put option.

1) For the put option price:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.317074957		0.314437672		0.322944148	
40	40	0.150341433	2.11	0.148175535	2.12	0.151402278	2.13
80	80	0.069756168	2.16	0.0693145	2.14	0.070194038	2.16
160	160	0.034760674	2.01	0.034475478	2.01	0.035016767	2.00
320	320	0.017298542	2.01	0.017207956	2.00	0.017418478	2.01
640	640	0.008643274	2.00	0.008598123	2.00	0.00869713	2.00

2) For the Delta:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	0.096672268		0.096032301		0.098693105	
40	40	0.077343851	1.25	0.076095613	1.26	0.076609725	1.29
80	80	0.038565233	2.01	0.03756055	2.03	0.038250679	2.00
160	160	0.018763329	2.06	0.018244999	2.06	0.018504687	2.07
320	320	0.009159206	2.05	0.008909075	2.05	0.009012556	2.05
640	640	0.004519495	2.03	0.004394301	2.03	0.004449629	2.03

3) For the vega:

$N_x$	$N_t$	Backward	Rate	Crank Nicolson	Rate	Ranacher Smooth	Rate
20	20	1.419941566		1.444646893		1.440652837	
40	40	0.943121636	1.51	0.931003917	1.55	0.954989352	1.51
80	80	0.364156019	2.59	0.36099817	2.58	0.366642911	2.60
160	160	0.179932815	2.02	0.178287731	2.02	0.18146443	2.02
320	320	0.088114546	2.04	0.087399967	2.04	0.088831093	2.04
640	640	0.043696289	2.02	0.043363191	2.02	0.04404213	2.02

We found that the value and greeks of binary put options are around first order convergence rate under all three methods.

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**Algorithm 1: PSOR Algorithm**


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**begin**

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 $x \leftarrow x_0$ 
for  $k = 1$  to  $maxiter$  do
   $rmax \leftarrow 0$ 
  for  $j = 1$  to  $N-1$  do
     $r = y_j - (l_j x_{j-1} + d_j x_j + u_j x_{j+1})$ 
     $x_{test} = x_j + \omega r / d_j$ 
    if  $x_{test} > payoff_j$  then
       $x_j = x_{test}$ 
       $rmax = \max(rmax, |r|)$ 
    else
       $x_j = payoff_j$ 
    if  $rmax < Tol$  then
      exit

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