C++ PROJECT: Implementing Exotic Option Valuation:

BarrierOption Up_and_Out and BarrierOption Down_and_Out using Monte Carlo Simulation in C++

Barrier Options

Barrier options are a Category of exotic option where the payoff depends not only on the underlying asset price at expiration but also on whether the asset price breaches a predefined barrier level during the life of the option.

Knock-Out Options

- A knock-out option ceases to exist (becomes worthless) if the underlying asset price crosses
 the barrier level during its lifetime.
 - Up-and-Out Call: A call option where the option becomes void if the underlying price rises above a certain barrier.
 - Down-and-Out Call: A call option where the option becomes void if the underlying price falls below a certain barrier.

Knock-In Options

- A knock-in option only comes into existence if the underlying asset price crosses the barrier level during its lifetime.
 - Up-and-In Call: A call option where the option is activated if the underlying price rises above a certain barrier.
 - Down-and-In Call: A call option where the option is activated if the underlying price falls below a certain barrier.

Monte Carlo Approach

Monte Carlo methods simulate the price paths of the underlying asset to estimate the value of these options.

Monte Carlo Up-and-Out Call Option

- The option starts as valid.
- If at any time during the simulation the underlying price exceeds the barrier:
 - The option is immediately knocked out (worth zero).
- If the barrier is never breached:
 - The payoff at expiration is: max(ST-K,0)

where ST is the terminal price of the underlying asset, and KKK is the strike price.

Monte Carlo Down-and-Out Call Option

- The option starts as valid.
- If at any time during the simulation the underlying price falls below the barrier:
 - The option is immediately knocked out (worth zero).
- If the barrier is never breached:
 - The payoff at expiration is: max(ST-K,0)

Monte Carlo Up-and-In Call Option

- The option starts as **inactive**.
- If at any time during the simulation the underlying price **exceeds** the barrier:
 - The option is activated and behaves like a standard call option.
- If the barrier is never breached:
 - The option remains worthless.

Monte Carlo Down-and-In Call Option

- The option starts as inactive.
- If at any time during the simulation the underlying price falls below the barrier:
 - o The option is **activated** and behaves like a standard call option.
- If the barrier is never breached:
 - The option remains worthless.

Key Factors in Monte Carlo Simulations

1. Barrier Monitoring Frequency:

- Continuous Monitoring: The barrier is checked at every time step of the simulation (most realistic).
- Discrete Monitoring: The barrier is checked at specific intervals (e.g., daily, weekly).

2. Path Dependency:

 Barrier options are path-dependent, meaning the entire price path of the underlying asset matters, not just the terminal price.

3. Numerical Convergence:

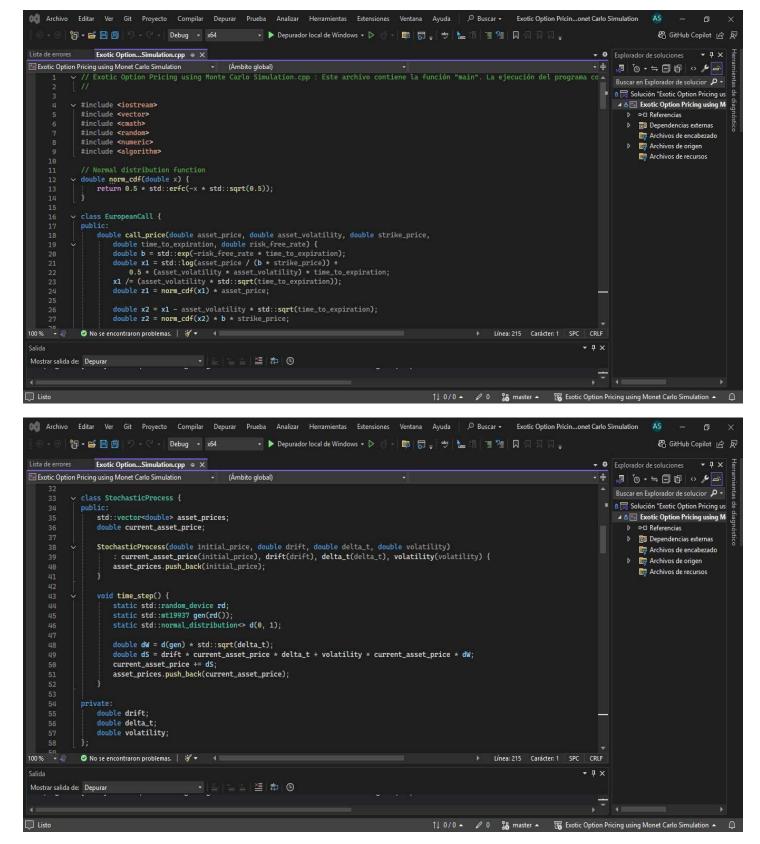
A large number of simulated paths are required for convergence to an accurate estimate.

4. Discounting:

The expected payoff is discounted to the present value using the risk-free rate:
 Option Price=e^-rT*Expected Payoff

IMPLEMENTATION in C++ Using Visual Studio Code Editor





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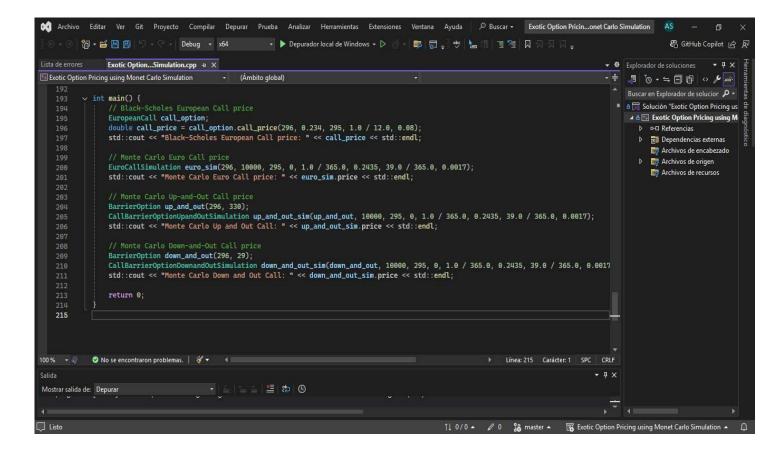
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