## Monte-Carlo simulation of Heston volatility model using Euler scheme

This code replicates the paper of Kim & Wee (2014). Heston model's asset pricing dynamics are given by

$$dS_t = S_t(rdt + \sqrt{v_t}dW_1)$$
$$dv_t = \kappa (\theta - v_t) dt + \sigma \sqrt{(v_t)}dW_2$$

$$dW_1 \cdot dW_2 = \rho dt$$

$$dW_2 = \rho \cdot dW_1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} \cdot d\widetilde{W}_1$$

where,

 $S_t$ : Stock Price at time t

r: Risk free interest rate

 $v_t$ : Volatility at time t

 $\sigma$ : Volatility of the volatility

 $\rho$ : Correlation between the two Brownian motions

 $\kappa$ : Mean reversion rate

 $\theta$ : Long run average of  $v_t$ 

 $\widetilde{dW}_1$ : Brownian motion independent of  $dW_1$ 

To apply the Euler discretization method, we first divide the time interval [0,T] into N equally spaced subintervals of length  $\delta t = \frac{T}{N}$ . We then use the following updated equations:

$$dS_{(t+\delta t)} = S_t + S_t(rdt + \sqrt{v_t^+} \cdot \sqrt{\delta t} Z_1)$$
$$dv_{(t+\delta t)} = v_t + \kappa (\theta - v_t) dt + \sigma \sqrt{v_t^+} \cdot \sqrt{\delta t} \cdot Z_2$$
$$v_t^+ = \max(v_t, 0)$$

Where,  $Z_1, Z_2$  are standard normal variables and

$$Z_2 = \rho \cdot Z_1 + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} \cdot \widetilde{Z}_2$$

Where,  $\widetilde{Z}_2$  is a random draw from standard normal distribution independent of  $Z_1$ 

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