1. Finance Problem Summary

Use the expected value of the discounted payoff under the risk-neutral density \mathbb{Q} :

$$V(S,t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[\mathbf{Payoff}(S_T)]$$

for the appropriate form of payoff, to consider *Asian* and *lookback* options.

Use the Euler-Maruyama only scheme for initially simulating the underlying stock price. As an initial example you may use the following set of sample data:

 $\label{eq:constant} \begin{array}{c} {\rm Today's\ stock\ price\ }S_0=100 \\ {\rm Strike\ }E=100 \\ {\rm Time\ to\ expiry\ }(T-t)=1\ {\rm year} \\ {\rm volatility\ }\sigma=20\% \\ {\rm constant\ risk-free\ interest\ rate\ }r=5\% \end{array}$

Then vary the data to see the affect on the option price.

2. Solution - Numerical Procedure

2.1 Monte Carlo Approach

In this case, I will use Monte Carlo approach to simulate the risk neutral random walk. Generally speaking, this method usually consists of three steps:

Step 1: Simulate sample stock paths under the risk-neutral measure

Step 2: Calculate the discounted payoff on each simulated path.

Step 3: Average the payoff and discount back to today to determine the option price.

2.2 Simulating Stock Prices Path using Euler-Maruyama Scheme

Then, we'll simulate the stock price at maturity S_T . Based on the Monte Carlo Simulation Python Labs, we know that a geometric Brownian motion with a stochastic differential equation (SDE) is given as below following the Black-Scholes-Merton where the underlying follows under the risk neutrality:

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dZ_t$$

where S_t is the price of the underlying at time t, σ is constant volatility, r is the constant risk-free interest rate and Z is the Brownian motion.

Applying Euler-Maruyama discretization of SDE, we get:

$$S_{t+\Delta t} = S_t * (1 + r\Delta t + \sigma \sqrt{\Delta t}z)$$

It is often more convenient to express in time stepping form

$$S_{t+\Delta t} = S_t \exp^{((r-\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\Delta t + \sigma\sqrt{\Delta t}z)}$$

The variable z is a standard normally distributed random variable, $0 < \Delta t < T$, time interval. It also holds $0 < t \le T$ with T the final time horizon.

2.2.1 Import libraries

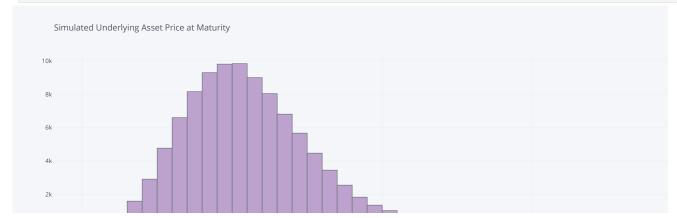
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In []: # Import Libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from numpy import **
from tabulate import tabulate
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cufflinks as cf
cf.set_config_file(offline=True)
# plt.style.use('seaborn-whitegrid')
plt.style.use('seaborn-v0.8-whitegrid')
from src.exotic_options import ExoticOptions
```

2.2.2 Simulating paths

In []: # Define simulation parameters t = 252In []: # Generating price paths price_path = pd.DataFrame(simulate_path(s0, r, vol, T, t, n)) price_path 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 ... 99990 99991 99992 99993 99994 99995 $0 \quad 100.00000 \quad 100.000000 \quad 100.00000 \quad 100.00000$ 100.000000 100.000000 **1** 100.912669 99.603879 98.757451 100.310032 99.883264 98.584130 103.413097 101.843687 100.136603 96.155015 ... 100.519944 98.858864 98.836039 100.031524 98.911140 99.573136 2 101 090391 99 238513 98 054709 100 310851 98 596189 100 734990 104 220766 100 236442 101 461604 95 092404 101 545778 97 150429 99 121461 100 236021 97 616665 99 459495 **3** 100.554081 100.367374 98.138477 100.281708 100.970674 101.013811 105.080348 96.880139 100.572892 93.877178 ... 100.673720 95.680984 98.848203 100.315768 98.254332 101.351636 99.209790 100.309825 100.913121 100.440571 105.005227 96.928807 99.189835 92.919194 ... 103.608113 96.964256 100.480481 99.695405 **247** 82.507624 76.504565 96.076824 104.906150 106.347956 144.724588 107.192059 87.646457 146.684418 98.843559 ... 104.603689 97.572180 102.666292 129.297039 85.191158 163.500954 **248** 83.683408 75.719806 95.543515 103.535060 106.441828 146.847463 108.368876 86.60292 146.034397 98.90845 ... 104.303403 96.453768 104.285182 129.018480 83.364000 164.767927 82.080723 76.865817 96.230818 103.485482 107.293378 150.081199 107.627991 85.647737 148.047691 99.307918 ... 105.716184 96.107829 102.876678 128.278199 84.203958 164.383816 **250** 80.712146 76.670468 95.090290 105.557333 107.918073 149.780245 107.329224 87.098121 148.643154 98.744973 ... 107.501375 94.822884 102.955574 125.626280 83.576562 163.546824 **251** 80.846035 76.595033 94.621059 103.541299 109.054810 151.335755 107.492276 86.195341 147.218928 100.523944 ... 107.752150 96.796071 102.852081 122.937012 83.600300 164.004086 252 rows × 100000 columns

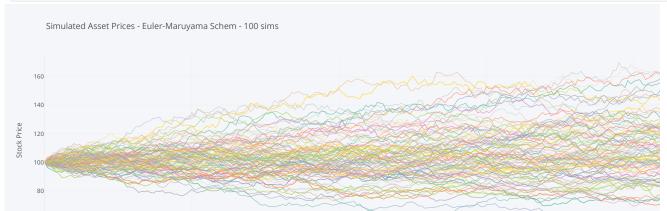
2.2.3 Histogram of Simulated Paths

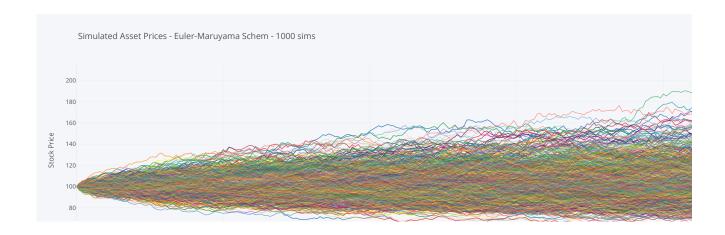
In []: # Plot the histogram of the simulated price path at maturity
price_path.iloc[-1].iplot(kind='histogram', title= 'Simulated Underlying Asset Price at Maturity', bins=100, colorscale='prgn')



2.2.4 Visualization of Simulated Paths

In []: # Plot simulated price paths, 1-100th
price_path.iloc[:,:100].iplot(title='Simulated Asset Prices - Euler-Maruyama Schem - 100 sims', xTitle='Time Steps', yTitle='Stock Price', colorscale='set2')





2.3 Exotic Options Pricing - Asian Options

2.3.1 Definition, Payoff types, Average methods

An Asian option is a special type of option contract, where the payoff is based on the average of prices of underlying asset over some period prior to maturity. There are two types of Asian options in financial markets: fixed strike, where averaging price is used in place of underlying price; and fixed price, where averaging price is used in place of strike. Knowing that the Asian options payoff depends on the average of the underlying stock price, we can average discretely or continuously, in it's arithmetic or geometric form - so two methods to calculate the average of prices.

Assuming \boldsymbol{A} the average of the stock price, the payoffs are given by:

Average strike call

max(S-A,0)

Average strike put

max(A-S,0)

Average rate call

max(A-E,0)

Average rate put

max(E-A,0)

where ${\cal S}$ is the stock price and ${\cal E}$ the strike.

2.3.2 Arithmetic Averages - Continuous & Discrete

In this session, I will simplify the calculation by setting the new number of simulations $\textit{\textbf{n}_new}$ to 100.

```
In [ ]: n new = 100
                         ExoticOptions.monte_carlo_simulation(s0,r,vol,T,t,n_new)
                  S_Path = pd.DataFrame(S)
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                   249 88.544638 94.074459 94.632714 111.953237 103.136778 95.664095 76.680607 103.199251 120.238928 116.767630 ... 100.241958 103.529163 92.566935 123.278812 125.298489
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                  251 89.242173 92.028793 94.568729 111.191963 100.520437 96.344187 77.645876 102.954171 118.930852 117.761007 ... 101.778271 103.948981 91.956143 121.752272 125.460608 92.501453
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                 253 rows × 100 columns
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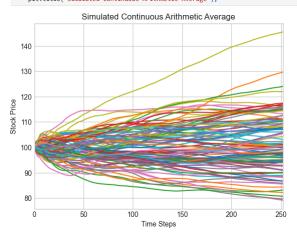
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In []: # Continuous Arithmetic Average
AC = {}

AC = ExoticOptions.continuous_arithmetic_avrg(AC, S_Path)

Continuous_Arithmetic_Average = pd.DataFrame(AC)

for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Continuous_Arithmetic_Average[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
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plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
plt.title('Simulated Continuous Arithmetic Average');
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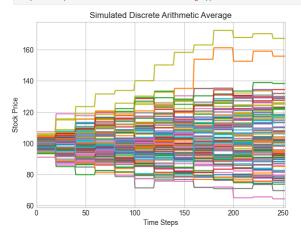
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In []: # Define the average period used for discrete calculation
    period = 20

In []: # Discrete Arithmetic Average
    AD = {}

AD = ExoticOptions.discrete_arithmetic_avrg(AD, S_Path, period)

Discrete_Arithmetic_Average = pd.DataFrame(AD)

for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Discrete_Arithmetic_Average[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.title('Simulated Discrete Arithmetic Average');
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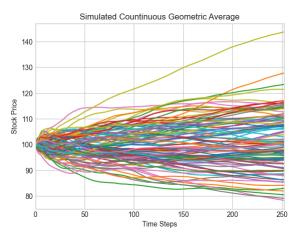
2.3.3 Geometric Averages - Continuous & Discrete

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In []: # Countinuous Geometric Average
GC = {}

GC = ExoticOptions.continuous_geometric_avrg(GC, S_Path)

Countinuous_Geometric_Average = pd.DataFrame(GC)

for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Countinuous_Geometric_Average[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlim(0,t)
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.tylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.title('Simulated Countinuous Geometric Average');
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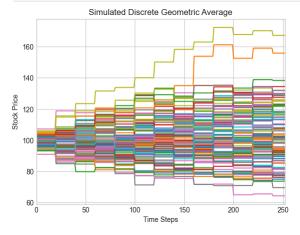


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In []: # Discrete Geometric Average
GD = {}

GD = ExoticOptions.discrete_geometric_avrg(GD, S_Path, period)

Discrete_Geometric_Average = pd.DataFrame(GD)

for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Discrete_Geometric_Average[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlim(0,t)
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.title('Simulated Discrete Geometric Average');
```



2.3.4 Asian Calls - Continuous vs Discrete; Strike vs Rate

```
In [ ]:

accontinuous Arithmetic Average Strike Call

case = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, S_Path, Continuous_Arithmetic_Average)

# Continuous Geometric Average Strike Call

case = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, S_Path, Countinuous_Geometric_Average)

# Continuous Arithmetic Average Rate Call

case = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, Countinuous_Arithmetic_Average, E)

# Continuous Geometric Average Rate Call

case = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, Countinuous_Geometric_Average, E)

# Discrete Arithmetic Average Strike Call

dasa = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, S_Path, Discrete_Arithmetic_Average)

# Discrete Geometric Average Rate Call

dasa = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, S_Path, Discrete_Arithmetic_Average)

# Discrete Arithmetic Average Rate Call

dare = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, S_Path, Discrete_Geometric_Average)

# Discrete Arithmetic Average Rate Call

dare = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, Discrete_Arithmetic_Average, E)

# Discrete Geometric Average Rate Call

dgare = ExoticQtions, payoff_nean(r, T, Discrete_Geometric_Average, E)

# Discrete Geometric Average Rate Call

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Strike Call

Continuous Arithmetic Average	3.4717
Continuous Geometric Average	3.5646
Discrete Arithmetic Average	0.8561
Discrete Geometric Average	0.8682

Rate Call

Continuous Arithmetic Average	3.1783
Continuous Geometric Average	3.0863
Discrete Arithmetic Average	5.7719
Discrete Geometric Average	5.7583

2.3.5 Asian Puts - Continuous vs Discrete; Strike vs Rate

```
In [ ]: # Continuous Arithmetic average Strike Put
            caasp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Continuous_Arithmetic_Average, S_Path)
            # Continuous Geometric average Strike Put
           cgasp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Countinuous_Geometric_Average, S_Path)
# Continuous Arithmetic average Rate Put
           caarp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Continuous_Arithmetic_Average)
# Continuous Geometric average Rate Put
           cgarp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Countinuous_Geometric_Average)
           # Discrete Arithmetic average Strike Put
daasp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Discrete_Arithmetic_Average, S_Path)
                                 etric average Strike Put
           # Discrete Arithmetic average Rate Put
# Discrete Arithmetic average Rate Put
           daarp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Discrete_Arithmetic_Average)
# Discrete Geometric average Rate Put
           dgarp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Discrete_Geometric_Average)
In [ ]: print("Strike Put")
           print(tabulate([["Continuous Arithmetic Average", caasp],
                                  ["Continuous Geometric Average", cgasp],
["Discrete Arithmetic Average", daasp],
["Discrete Geometric Average", dgasp]],
                                  floatfmt=".4f", tablefmt="fancy_grid"))
           print("Rate Put")
           print(tabulate([["Continuous Arithmetic Average", caarp],
                                 ["Continuous Geometric Average", cgarp],
["Discrete Arithmetic Average", daarp],
["Discrete Geometric Average", dgarp]],
floatfmt=".4f", tablefmt="fancy_grid"))
```

Strike Put

Continuous Arithmetic Average	2.1371
Continuous Geometric Average	2.0819
Discrete Arithmetic Average	0.8561
Discrete Geometric Average	0.8435

Rate Put

Continuous Arithmetic Average	2.7013
Continuous Geometric Average	2.7574
Discrete Arithmetic Average	3.9604
Discrete Geometric Average	3.9715

2.4 Exotic Options Pricing - Lookback Options

2.4.1 Definition, Payoff types, Average methods

Lookbacks are defined by the property that their expiry payoffs depend on the realized maximum or minimum of the asset price over a specified time window, called the lookback window. Lookback options, in the terminology of finance, are a type of exotic option with path dependency, among many other kind of options. The payoff depends on the optimal (maximum or minimum) underlying asset's price occurring over the life of the option.

Let's take maximum as an example here. Similarly, the maximum can be sampled continuously or discretely just like Asian options. Generally, there exist two kinds of lookback options: with **floating strike** and with **fixed strike**. These have payoffs that are the same as vanilla options except that in the strike option the vanilla exercise price is replaced by the maximum. In the rate option it is the asset value in the vanilla option that is replaced by the maximum.

Assuming M the maximum of the stock price, the payoffs are given by:

Lookback rate call

max(M-E,0)

• Lookback rate put

max(E-M,0)

Lookback strike call

 $\max(S-M,0)$

• Lookback strike put

where ${\cal S}$ is the stock price and ${\cal E}$ the strike.

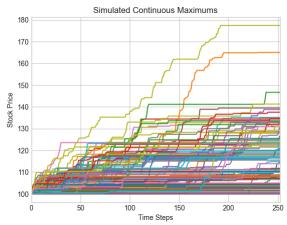
2.4.2 Continuous & Discrete Stock Maximum

```
In []: # Continuous Stock maximums
MC = {}

MC = ExoticOptions.continuous_maximum(MC, S_Path)

Continuous_max_stock = pd.DataFrame(MC)

for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Continuous_max_stock[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlim(0,t)
    plt.xlam(0,t)
    plt.xlam('Simulated Continuous Maximums');
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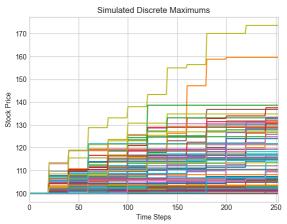


```
In []: # Discrete Stock maximums
MD = {}

MD = ExoticOptions.discrete_maximum(MD, S_Path, period)

Discrete_max_stock = pd.DataFrame(MD)

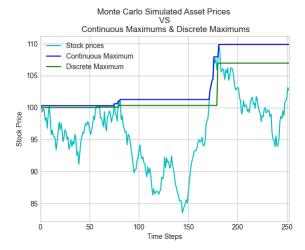
for index in range(0, n_new, 1):
    plt.plot(Discrete_max_stock[index])
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlim(0,t)
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.title('Simulated Discrete Maximums');
```



2.4.3 Plot the Maximums vs Stock Price

```
In []: plt.plot(S_Path[index], color = 'c', label = 'Stock prices')
    plt.plot(Continuous_max_stock[index], color = 'b', label = 'Continuous Maximum')
    plt.plot(Discrete_max_stock[index], color = 'g', label = 'Discrete Maximum')

plt.grid(True)
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.xlabel('Time Steps')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.ylabel('Stock Price')
    plt.title('Monte Carlo Simulated Asset Prices \n VS \n Continuous Maximums & Discrete Maximums')
    plt.legend();
```



2.4.4 Lookback Calls - Continuous vs Discrete; Strike vs Rate

```
In [ ]: # Continuous Lookback Strike Call
       clsc = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, S_Path, Continuous_max_stock)
# Continuous Lookback Rate Call
       clrc = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Continuous_max_stock, E)
       # Discrete Lookback Strike Call
dlsc = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, S_Path, Discrete_max_stock)
       dlrc = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Discrete_max_stock, E)
In [ ]: print("Strike Call")
       print("Rate Call")
       Strike Call
       Continuous Maximum
                          9 9999
       Discrete Maximum
                          0.6187
      Rate Call
        Continuous Maximum
       Discrete Maximum
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2.4.5 Lookback Puts - Continuous vs Discrete; Strike vs Rate

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In [ ]: # Continuous Lookback Strike Put
        clsp = Excitoptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Continuous_max_stock, S_Path)
# Continuous Lookback Rate Put
        clrp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Continuous_max_stock)
        # Discrete Lookback Strike Put
dlsp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, Discrete_max_stock, S_Path)
# Discrete Lookback Rate Put
dlrp = ExoticOptions.payoff_mean(r, T, E, Discrete_max_stock)
In [ ]: print("Strike Put")
        print("Rate Put")
        Strike Put
        Continuous Maximum
                               8.3584
        Discrete Maximum
                               6.5530
       Rate Put
         Continuous Maximum
                               0.0000
        Discrete Maximum
                               0.0000
```

3. Varying the data to see the affect on option prices

- strike price
- volatility
- risk free rate
- horizon
- timesteps

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In []: s0 = 100

E = 100

T = 1

vol = 0.2

r = 0.05

t = 252

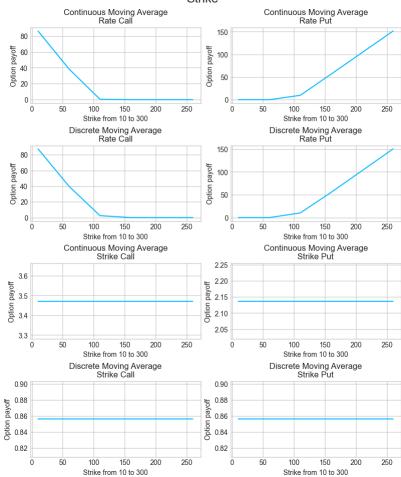
n_sims = 100

period = 20
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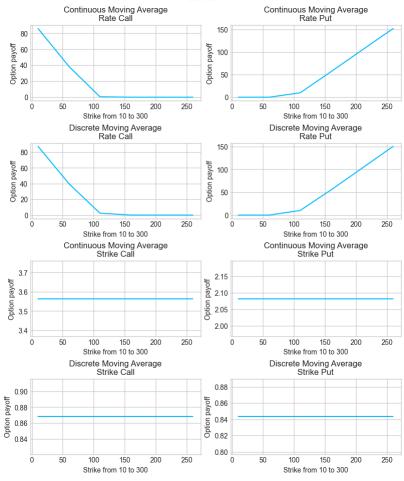
3.1 Varying the strike price ${\cal E}$

In []: ExoticOptions.varying_parameters(s0, r, vol, T, t, n_sims, period, E, 'E', 10, 300, 50)

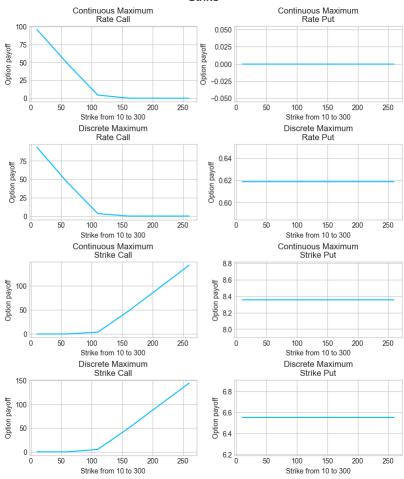
Asian options based on Arithmetic Average varying Strike



Asian options based on Geometric Average varying Strike



Lookback options varying Strike

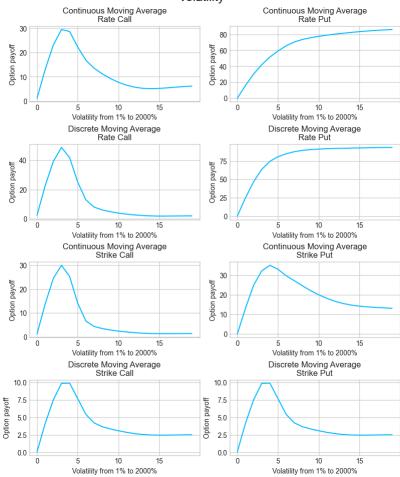


3.1.1 Observations

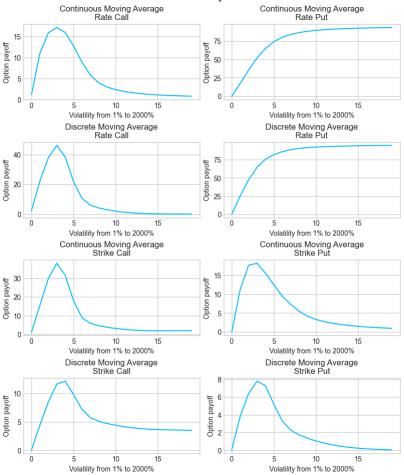
- For Asian Strike Call & Strike Put Options, their payoffs don't change as the Strike varies.
- For Asian Rate Call Options, as the Strike decreases the Call payoff increases.
- For Asian Rate Put Options, as the Strike increases the Put payoff increases.
- For Lookback Put Options, they don't make changes as the Strike varies.
- For Continuous Maximum Strike Calls & Discrete Maximum Strike Calls: Strike decrease, payoff increase.
- For Continuous Maximum Rate Calls & Discrete Maximum Rate Calls: Strike increase, payoff increase.

3.2 Varying the Volatility σ

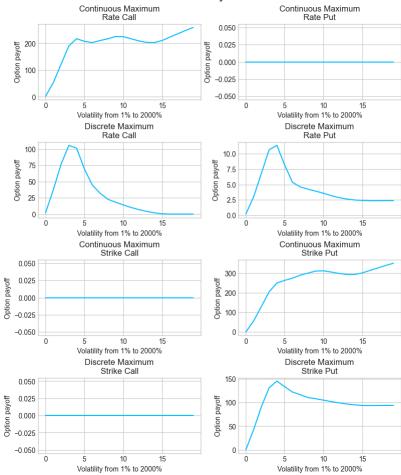
Asian options based on Arithmetic Average varying Volatility



Asian options based on Geometric Average varying Volatility



Lookback options varying Volatility

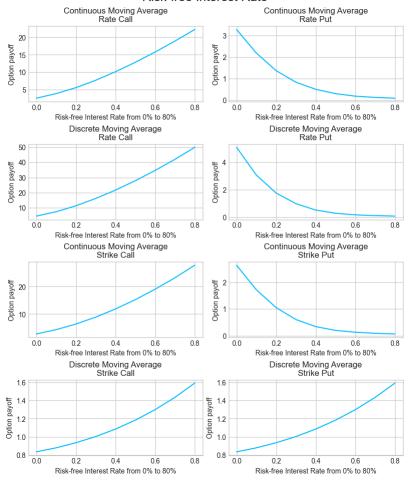


3.2.1 Observations

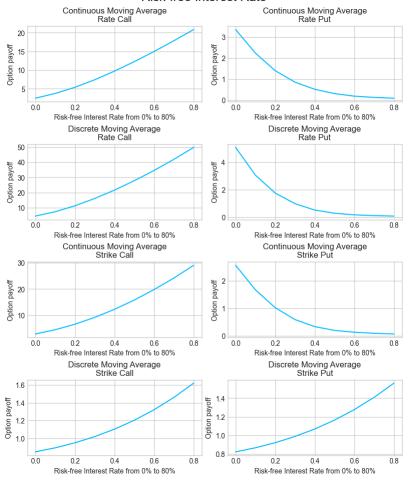
- For Asian Rate Put Options, their payoffs increase as the volatility increases.
- For the rest Asian Options, they have peaks at around 300%-400%.
- For Lookback Continuous Maximum Rate Put & Lookback Strike Call Options, their payoffs don't change as the volatility varies.
- For the rest Continuous Maximum options, their payoffs increase as the volatility increases.
- For the rest Discrete Maximum options, they have peaks at around 400%.

3.3 Varying the risk free interest rate r

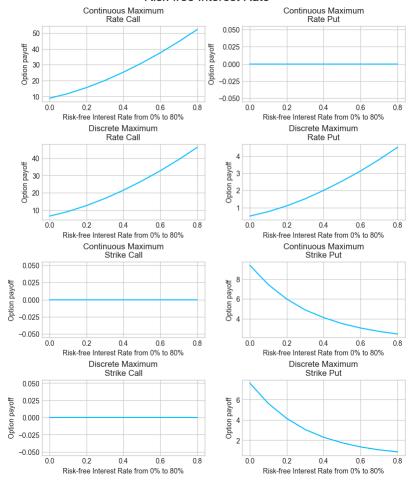
Asian options based on Arithmetic Average varying Risk-free Interest Rate



Asian options based on Geometric Average varying Risk-free Interest Rate



Lookback options varying Risk-free Interest Rate

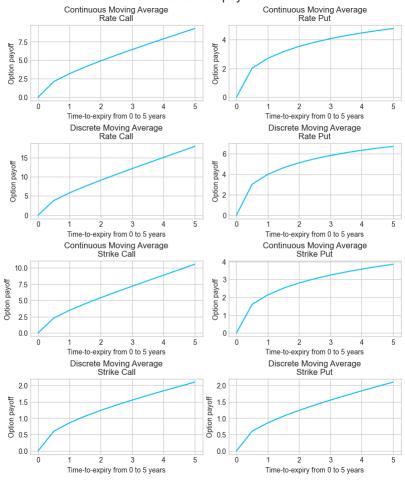


3.3.1 Observations

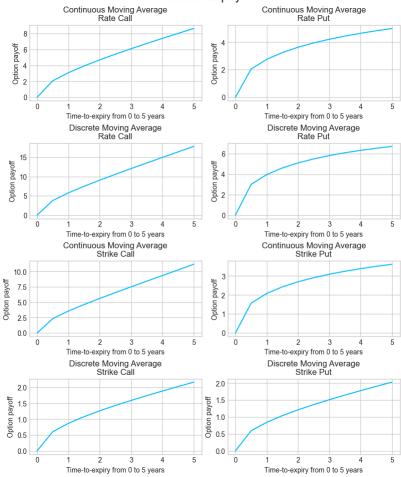
- For Asian Rate Call, Strike Call & Discrete Average Strike Put Options: r decreases, payoff increases.
- For the rest Asian Options: r decreases, payoff decreates.
- For Continuous Maximum Rate Put & Strike Call Lookback Options: their payoffs don't change as the r varies.
- For Maximum Rate Call & Discrete Maximum Rate Put Lookback Options: r decreases, payoff increases.
- For Maximum Strike Put Lookback Options: r decreases, payoff decreases.

3.4 Varying the horizon ${\cal T}$

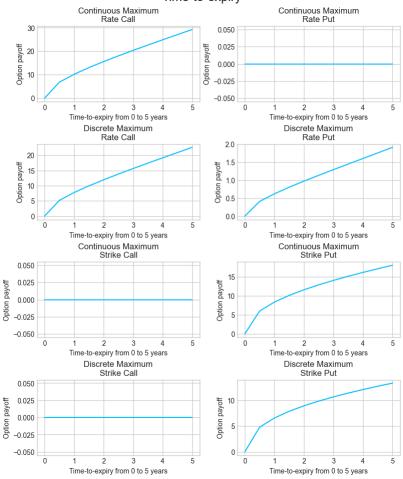
Asian options based on Arithmetic Average varying Time-to-expiry



Asian options based on Geometric Average varying Time-to-expiry



Lookback options varying Time-to-expiry



3.4.1 Observations

We are expected to see that the longer time to expiry, higher option prices. The reason why we are seeing flat lines for 3 of them was because the Strike value defined.

4. Conclusion

With this project, we can see how to price exotic options such as Asian and lookback options using the Euler-Maruyama scheme and how the payoff of them may vary depending on the averaging methods and other parameters. To specify, we manage to include Asian call option with fixed delivery price, Asian put option with fixed delivery price, Asian call option with floating delivery price, Asian put option with fixed delivery price, Lookback call option with floating delivery price, Lookback put option with floating delivery price, Lookback put

- strike price
- volatility
- risk free rate
- horizon
- timesteps

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