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## Series 9

Throughout this sheet let  $T \in (0, +\infty)$ ,  $d, N, K \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P, (\mathbb{F}_t)_{t \in [0,T]})$  be a stochastic basis, and let  $W \colon [0,T] \times \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$  be a one-dimensional standard  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P, (\mathbb{F}_t)_{t \in [0,T]})$ -Brownian motion.

**1.** Let  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d), \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d))$ ,  $\sigma \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d), \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d))$ , let  $X : [0, T] \times \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^d$  be a solution process of the SDE

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t) dt + \sigma(X_t) dW_t, \qquad t \in [0, T], \qquad X_0 = \xi,$$

and let  $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d), \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$  satisfy  $\mathbb{E}_P[|f(X_T)|] < +\infty$ . Write a MATLAB function MultiLevelMonteCarlo( $T, \xi, \mu, \sigma, \varepsilon, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, f$ ) with inputs  $T, \xi, \mu, \sigma, f$  as above, and simulation input parameters  $\varepsilon, \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$ , that outputs a realization of a multilevel Monte Carlo- Euler approximation of  $\mathbb{E}_P[f(X_T)]$  with tolerance  $\varepsilon$ .

Recall that the MLMC-Euler estimator is given by

$$E^{\mathrm{ML}}(f(Y_{N_L}^{N_L})) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \frac{1}{K_{\ell}} \sum_{k=1}^{K_{\ell}} (f(Y_{N_{\ell}}^{N_{\ell},k}) - f(Y_{N_{\ell-1},k}^{N_{\ell-1},k})),$$

where  $Y_N^{N,k}$  denotes the k-th sample of the Euler-Maruyama approximation of  $X_T$  with stepsize  $\Delta t = T/N$ ,  $L = \lceil -\log_2(\varepsilon) \rceil$ ,  $N_\ell = N_0 2^\ell$ ,  $\ell = 1, \ldots, L$ , with  $N_0 = 2T$ , and

$$K_{\ell} = \left[ 2^{2\alpha L} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{L} 2^{(\gamma-\beta)k/2} \right) 2^{-(\beta+\gamma)\ell/2} \right].$$

Hint: You may use the template MultiLevelMonteCarloEuler.m.

2. Consider the Black-Scholes model, where the price process of an underlying S is modeled by the SDE

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad S_0 = s_0,$$

for a fixed interest rate  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , a volatility parameter  $\sigma > 0$  and an initial price  $s_0 > 0$ .

(i) Test your MATLAB function MultiLevelMonteCarlo() from Exercise 1 to evaluate a European call option with strike price  $K_{\text{strike}} > 0$  and payoff at T given by  $f(S_T) = \max(S_T - K_{\text{strike}}, 0)$ . To this end, run the multilevel Monte Carlo scheme with tolerance  $\varepsilon \in \{0.05, 0.02, 0.01, 0.005, 0.002\}$  to estimate the root mean squared error (RMSE)

$$\left\| e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}_{P} [f(S_{T})] - e^{-rT} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \frac{1}{K_{\ell}} \sum_{k=1}^{K_{\ell}} (f(Y_{N_{\ell}}^{N_{\ell},k}) - f(Y_{N_{\ell-1}}^{N_{\ell-1},k})) \right\|_{L^{2}(P;|\cdot|_{\mathbb{P}})}. \tag{1}$$

In equation (1),  $Y_N^{N,k}$  denotes the k-th sample of the Euler-Maruyama approximation of  $S_T$  with stepsize  $\Delta t = T/N$ . Use the Black-Scholes parameters  $T = 1, S_0 = 100, r = 0.05, \sigma = 0.1$  and  $K_{\text{strike}} = 100$ . Estimate the RMSE in equation (1) by generating 10 realizations of the weak error

$$e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}_{P}[f(S_{T})] - e^{-rT} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \frac{1}{K_{\ell}} \sum_{k=1}^{K_{\ell}} (f(Y_{N_{\ell}}^{N_{\ell},k}) - f(Y_{N_{\ell-1},k}^{N_{\ell-1},k}))$$

for each  $\varepsilon$  and averaging the squared realizations. Estimate the convergence rates of the weak error and of the overall complexity with respect to  $\varepsilon$ . **Report** on the results.

Hints: You may use template MultiLevelMonteCarloBSCall.m. The exact value of the call price  $e^{-rT}\mathbb{E}_P[f(S_T)]$  is given by the Black Scholes formula in Series 4. You may also use the MATLAB function blsprice(). Set the parameter M\_RMSE in the template to M\_RMSE = 1 first to make sure everything works, and then rerun the experiment with M\_RMSE = 10.

(ii) Compare your Matlab function MultiLevelMonteCarlo() from Exercise 1 with your Matlab function MonteCarloEuler() from Sheet 8 to evaluate a European call option with strike price  $K_{\text{strike}} > 0$  and payoff at T given by  $f(S_T) = \max(S_T - K_{\text{strike}}, 0)$ . To this end, run the Monte Carlo-Euler scheme to compute an approximation of  $\mathbb{E}_P[f(S_T)]$  with tolerance  $\varepsilon \in \{0.05, 0.02, 0.01, 0.005, 0.002\}$ . Adjust the number of samples K for each step size  $\Delta t = \varepsilon$  so that the statistical error and the discretization bias in the root mean squared error (RMSE)

$$\left\| e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}_{P}[f(S_{T})] - e^{-rT} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} f(Y_{N}^{N,k}) \right\|_{L^{2}(P;|\cdot|_{\mathbb{R}})}$$
 (2)

are balanced. In Equation (2),  $Y_N^{N,k}$  denotes the k-th sample of the Euler-Maruyama approximation of  $S_T$  with stepsize  $\Delta t = T/N$ . Use the Black-Scholes parameters  $T=1, S_0=100, r=0.05, \sigma=0.1$  and  $K_{\rm strike}=100$ . Estimate the RMSE in equation (2) by generating 10 realizations of the weak error

$$e^{-rT}\mathbb{E}_{P}[f(S_{T})] - e^{-rT}\frac{1}{K}\sum_{k=1}^{K}f(Y_{N}^{N,k})$$

for each  $\varepsilon$  and averaging the squared realizations. Estimate the convergence rates of the weak error and of the overall complexity with respect to  $\varepsilon$ , and plot the

estimated computational times against  $\varepsilon$  in a logarithmic diagram. **Report** on the results.

*Hints:* You may use template MLMCvsMCEBSCall.m. Set the parameter  $\texttt{M\_RMSE}$  in the template to  $\texttt{M\_RMSE} = 1$  first to make sure everything works, and then rerun the experiment with  $\texttt{M\_RMSE} = 10$ .

- (iii) Repeat item (ii) with  $\varepsilon \in \{0.02, 0.01, 0.005, 0.002, 0.001\}$ . Report on the results. Hint: Depending on your workstation, this simulation might take up to half an hour!
- **3.** Let  $C: [0,T] \times \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be a compound Poisson process with rate  $\lambda > 0$  and jump measure  $\mu$  on  $(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^m))$ . Recall that C is given by

$$C_t := \sum_{k=1}^{N(t)} X_k, \quad t \in [0, T], \tag{3}$$

where  $N: [0,T] \times \Omega \to \mathbb{N}_0$  is a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$ , and  $(X_k, k \in \mathbb{N})$  is a sequence of i.i.d.  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued random variables with distribution  $\mu$ , such that  $(X_k, k \in \mathbb{N})$  and N are independent.

(i) Show that the characteristic function of C is given by

$$\mathbb{E}_{P}[e^{\mathbf{i}x^{\top}C_{t}}] = \exp\left(\lambda t \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m}} (e^{\mathbf{i}x^{\top}z} - 1)\mu(dz)\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{m}.$$
 (4)

(ii) Now assume m=1 and that  $(X_k, k \in \mathbb{N})$  is such that  $\mathbb{E}_P[|X_1|^2] < \infty$ . Use item (i) to show that

$$\mathbb{E}_P[C_t] = t\lambda \mathbb{E}_P[X_1], \text{ and } \operatorname{Var}_P(C_t) = \lambda t(\mathbb{E}_P[X_1]^2 + \operatorname{Var}_P(X_1)).$$
 (5)

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