Numerical Methods for Financial Mathematics. Exercise Handout 4

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Exercise 1

Let $S^1 = (S^1_t)_{t \in [0,T]}$ and $S^2 = (S^2_t)_{t \in [0,T]}$ be two assets following the risk-neutral dynamics

$$dS_t^1 = rS_t^1 dt + \sigma_1 S_t^1 dW_t^1, \quad 0 \le t \le T,$$
(1)

$$dS_t^2 = rS_t^2 dt + \sigma_2 S_t^2 dW_t^2, \quad 0 < t < T,$$
(2)

for risk-free rate r > 0, constant volatilities $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 > 0$ and correlated Brownian motions $\langle W^1, W^2 \rangle_t = \rho t$, $\rho \in [-1, 1]$.

An exchange option for S^1 to S^2 with maturity T is a product that pays $(S_T^1 - S_T^2)^+$ at time T. It can be seen that the value at time 0 of the exchange option is

$$C^{BS}(0, S_0^1, S_0^2, \sigma, T),$$
 (3)

where $\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 - 2\rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2}$ and $C^{BS}(r, S, K, \sigma, T)$ is the discounted Black Scholes value of a Call option of risk-free rate r, spot price S, strike K, volatility σ and maturity T.

Give the implementation of a class ExchangeOption that implements

 $\verb|net.finmath.montecarlo.assetderivative valuation.products.AbstractAssetMonteCarloProduct.|$

In particular, the method

getValue(double evaluationTime, AssetModelMonteCarloSimulationModel model)

has to be implemented in such a way that returns the (discounted) payoff of an exchange option.

Hint: in order to give a general implementation, you can suppose the argument model of type AssetModelMonteCarloSimulationModel to represent an n-dimensional process, for general n, and that for some given $1 \le i, j \le n$ the processes in (1) and (2) are the i-th and j-th component of the process represented by model, identified by their index. Look at the methods of AssetModelMonteCarloSimulationModel that you can use for your scope.

Exercise 2

Write a JUnit test class with the following three methods:

- A method which checks if the value of the exchange option with an underlying constructed with a seed at your choice approximates (3) up to a tolerance of 2%. The value in (3) should be computed analytically.
- A method which checks that, out of 100 computations of the value of an exchange option whose underlying is constructed with a random seed, the price approximates (3) up to a tolerance of 2% at least in the 90% of cases.
- A method where you check if the price of the exchange option increases or decreases with respect to the correlation ρ : what do you expect?

Use parameters' values of your choice, as long as you think they make sense.

Hint: the main point of this exercise is how to construct the object that you have to pass to **getValue**. A *possible* choice is to use a constructor of

net.finmath.montecarlo.assetderivativevaluation.MonteCarloMultiAssetBlackScholesModel.

In this case, you have to focus in particular on how to construct the object representing the Brownian motions driving the model and the correlation matrix.