HestonLookBack

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1 Monte Carlo Simulation of Heston Model for discretely monitored fixed strike lookback call option using multiple variance reduction techniques (antithetic variate/control variate) and calibration

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[30]: # Import dependencies
  import time
  import numpy as np
  import pandas as pd
  from scipy.stats import norm
  from scipy.linalg import cholesky
  from datetime import datetime
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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[31]: # Initialise parameters
       SO = 100.0 # initial stock price
       K = 100
                       # strike price
      T = 1.0 # time to maturity in years
r = 0.06 # annual risk-free rate
vol = 0.20 # volatility (%)
div = 0.03 # continuous dividend yield
       # Heston parameters
       kappa = 5.0
       vt0 = vol**2
                       # variance
       theta = 0.2**2
       sigma = 0.02
       rho_scalar = -0.7
       rho = np.array([[1,rho_scalar],
                          [rho_scalar,1]]) # correlation between stoch proc
       # fast steps
       N = 52 # number of time intervals
       M = 1000 # number of simulations
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2 Regular Heston

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[32]: # Start Timer
      start_time = time.time()
      # Precompute constants
      dt = T/N
      # Heston model adjustments for time steps
      kappadt = kappa*dt
      sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
      # Generate Wiener variables
      Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
      #W_ind = np.random.normal(size=(N_tot+1, M, 1))
      #W = Z @ lower_chol
      W = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      # arrays for storing prices and variances
      St = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      vt = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=vt0)
      # array for storing maximum's
      St_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
      for j in range(1,N+1):
          # Simulate variance processes
          vt[j] = vt[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt[j-1]) + sigmasdt*np.
       \rightarrowsqrt(vt[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
          # Simulate log asset prices
          nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt[j])*dt
          St[j] = St[j-1]*np.exp(nudt + np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W[j-1,:])
          mask = np.where(St[j] > St max)
          St_max[mask] = St[j][mask]
      # Compute Expectation and SE
      CT = np.maximum(0, St_max - K)
      CO_fast = np.exp(-r*T)*np.sum(CT)/M
      SE fast = np.sqrt(np.sum((np.exp(-r*T)*CT - C0_fast)**2) / (M-1)) / np.sqrt(M)
      time_comp_fast = round(time.time() - start_time,4)
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Call value is $16.69 with SE +/- 0.46 Computation time is: 0.0074
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3 With antithetic variates for underlying

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[44]: # Start Timer
      start_time = time.time()
      # Precompute constants
      dt = T/N
      # Heston model adjustments for time steps
      kappadt = kappa*dt
      sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
      # Generate Wiener variables
      Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
      #W_ind = np.random.normal(size=(N_tot+1, M, 1))
      #W = Z @ lower_chol
      W1 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      W2 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] - np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      # arrays for storing prices and variances
      St1 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill value=S0)
      St2 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      vt = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill value=vt0)
      # array for storing maximum's
      St1_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
      St2_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
      for j in range(1,N+1):
          # Simulate variance processes
          vt[j] = vt[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt[j-1]) + sigmasdt*np.
       \rightarrowsqrt(vt[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
          # Simulate log asset prices
          nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt[j])*dt
          St1[j] = St1[j-1]*np.exp(nudt + np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W1[j-1,:])
          St2[j] = St2[j-1]*np.exp(nudt + np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W2[j-1,:])
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Call value is \$15.16 with SE +/- 0.31 Calculation time: 0.0106 sec

3.1 With antithetic variates for underlying and variance

```
[34]: # Start Timer
      start time = time.time()
      # Precompute constants
      dt = T/N
      # Heston model adjustments for time steps
      kappadt = kappa*dt
      sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
      # Generate Wiener variables
      Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
      #W ind = np.random.normal(size=(N_tot+1,M,1))
      #W = Z @ lower chol
      W1 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      W2 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] - np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      W3 = -\text{rho scalar}*Z[:,:,0] + \text{np.sqrt}(1-\text{rho scalar}**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      W4 = -rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] - np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      # arrays for storing prices and variances
      St1 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      St2 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      St3 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      St4 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      vt1 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=vt0)
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vt2 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=vt0)
# array for storing maximum's
St1_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
St2_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
St3_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
St4_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
for j in range(1,N+1):
    # Simulate variance processes
    vt1[j] = vt1[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt1[j-1]) + sigmasdt*np.
 \rightarrowsqrt(vt1[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
    vt2[j] = vt2[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt2[j-1]) - sigmasdt*np.
 \rightarrowsqrt(vt2[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
    # Simulate log asset prices
    nudt1 = (r - div - 0.5*vt1[j])*dt
    nudt2 = (r - div - 0.5*vt2[j])*dt
    St1[j] = St1[j-1]*np.exp(nudt1 + np.sqrt(vt1[j]*dt)*W1[j-1,:])
    St2[j] = St2[j-1]*np.exp(nudt1 + np.sqrt(vt1[j]*dt)*W2[j-1,:])
    St3[j] = St3[j-1]*np.exp(nudt2 + np.sqrt(vt2[j]*dt)*W3[j-1,:])
    St4[j] = St4[j-1]*np.exp(nudt2 + np.sqrt(vt2[j]*dt)*W4[j-1,:])
    mask1 = np.where(St1[j] > St1_max)
    mask2 = np.where(St2[j] > St2_max)
    mask3 = np.where(St3[j] > St3 max)
    mask4 = np.where(St4[j] > St4_max)
    St1_max[mask1] = St1[j][mask1]
    St2_max[mask2] = St2[j][mask2]
    St3_max[mask3] = St3[j][mask3]
    St4_max[mask4] = St4[j][mask4]
# Compute Expectation and SE
CT = 0.25 * (np.maximum(0, St1_max - K) + np.maximum(0, St2_max - K) + np.
 \rightarrowmaximum(0, St3_max - K) + np.maximum(0, St3_max - K))
C0_av_double = np.exp(-r*T)*np.sum(CT)/M
SE_av_double = np.sqrt(np.sum((np.exp(-r*T)*CT - CO_av)**2) / (M-1))/np.
⇔sqrt(M)
time_comp_av_double = round(time.time() - start_time,4)
print("Call value is ${0} with SE +/- {1}".format(np.round(CO_av_double,2),np.
 →round(SE_av_double,2)))
print("Calculation time: {0} sec".format(time_comp_av_double))
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Call value is \$15.8 with SE +/- 0.22

4 Include control variates base on analytical solution continuous observations

Analytical solution continuous observations using finite differences

$$C_{FSLC} = G + Se^{-\delta T}N(x + \sigma\sqrt{T}) - Ke^{-rT}N(x) - \frac{S}{B}\left(e^{-rT}\left(\frac{E}{S}\right)^BN(x + (1-B)\sigma\sqrt{T}) - e^{-\delta T}N(x + \sigma\sqrt{T})\right), \tag{1}$$

with

$$B = \frac{2(r-\delta)}{\sigma^2} \tag{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{E} + ((r - \delta) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}$$
(3)

$$ifK \ge M \to E = K, G = 0 \tag{4}$$

$$else \rightarrow E = M, G = e^{-rt}(M - K)$$
 (5)

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[35]: class fixed_strike_lookback_call:
          def __init__(self, r, S, K, T, M, vol, div=0):
              self.r = r
              self.S = S
              self.K = K
              self.T = T
              self.M = M
              self.vol = vol
              self.div = div
          def option price vectorized(self):
               "Calculate fixed strike lookback call price of call/put"
              E = np.where(self.K < self.M, self.K)</pre>
              G = np.where(self.K < self.M, np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(self.M-self.K), 0)</pre>
              x = (np.log(self.S/E) + ((self.r-self.div) - self.vol**2/2)*self.T)/
       ⇒(self.vol*np.sqrt(self.T))
              B = 2*(self.r-self.div)/(self.vol**2)
              price = G + self.S*np.exp(-self.div*T)*norm.cdf(x+self.vol*np.sqrt(self.
       \hookrightarrowT), 0, 1) \
               - self.K*np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*norm.cdf(x) \
               - self.S/B*(np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(E/self.S)**B * norm.

\downarrow cdf(x+(1-B)*self.vol*np.sqrt(self.T)) \setminus

               - np.exp(-self.div*self.T)*norm.cdf(x+self.vol*np.sqrt(self.T), 0, 1))
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return price
  def option_price_fd(self, S, vol):
       "Calculate fixed strike lookback call price of call/put"
      if self.K < self.M:</pre>
           E = self.M
          G = np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(self.M-self.K)
      else:
          E = self.K
          G = 0
      x = (np.log(S/E) + ((self.r-self.div) - vol**2/2)*self.T)/(vol*np.
⇔sqrt(self.T))
      B = 2*(self.r-self.div)/(vol**2)
      price = G + S*np.exp(-self.div*T)*norm.cdf(x+vol*np.sqrt(self.T), 0, 1)
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      - self.K*np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*norm.cdf(x) \
      - S/B*(np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(E/S)**B * norm.cdf(x+(1-B)*vol*np.

sqrt(self.T)) \
       - np.exp(-self.div*self.T)*norm.cdf(x+vol*np.sqrt(self.T), 0, 1))
      return price
  def option_price_fd_vectorized(self, S, vol):
       "Calculate fixed strike lookback call price of call/put"
      E = np.where(self.K < self.M, self.K)</pre>
      G = np.where(self.K < self.M, np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(self.M-self.K), 0)
      x = (np.log(S/E) + ((self.r-self.div) - vol**2/2)*self.T)/(vol*np.

sqrt(self.T))
      B = 2*(self.r-self.div)/(vol**2)
      price = G + S*np.exp(-self.div*T)*norm.cdf(x+vol*np.sqrt(self.T), 0, 1)__
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      - self.K*np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*norm.cdf(x) \
       - S/B*(np.exp(-self.r*self.T)*(E/S)**B * norm.cdf(x+(1-B)*vol*np.
⇔sqrt(self.T)) \
       - np.exp(-self.div*self.T)*norm.cdf(x+vol*np.sqrt(self.T), 0, 1))
      return price
  def FD_S(self, S):
      vol = self.vol
      return self.option_price_fd_vectorized(S, vol)
  def FD_vol(self, vol):
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[36]: cont_call = fixed_strike_lookback_call(r, S0, K, T, S0, vol, div)

print("Option Price: ", round(cont_call.option_price_vectorized(),3))
print("Delta: ", round(cont_call.delta_fd(),3))
print("Gamma: ", round(cont_call.gamma_fd(),3))
print("Vega: ", round(cont_call.vega_fd(),3))

ContPrice = cont_call.option_price_vectorized()
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Option Price: 17.729
Delta: 1.119
Gamma: 0.035
Vega: 85.938

[36]:

- 4.1 find linear relation ship β_i between payoff and delta/gamm/vega control variates based on the analytical solution for continuous observations using finite differences.
- 4.2 Greeks evaluated 52(N) times and relationship estimated based on 1000(M) simulations.

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[37]: ## fast steps
#N = 52  # number of time intervals
#M = 1000  # number of simulations

# Start Timer
start_time = time.time()
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# Precompute constants
dt = T/N
# Heston model adjustments for time steps
kappadt = kappa*dt
sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
# Control variate constant terms
nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt0)*dt
volsdt = np.sqrt(vt0*dt)
erddt = np.exp((r-div)*dt)
egam1 = np.exp(2*(r-div)*dt)
egam2 = -2*erddt + 1
eveg1 = np.exp(-kappadt)
eveg2 = theta - theta*eveg1
# Generate Wiener variables
Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
\#W\_ind = np.random.normal(size=(N\_tot+1,M,1))
#W = Z @ lower_chol
W = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
# initialise prices and variances
vt = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=vt0)
St = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
vtn = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
Stn = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
# array for storing maximum's
St_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
# array for storing control variates
cv1 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
cv2 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
cv3 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
for j in range(1,N+1):
    # Compute hedge sensitivities
    call = fixed_strike_lookback_call(r, St, K, T-(j-1)*dt, St_max, np.
 ⇒sqrt(vt), div)
    delta = call.delta_fd()
    gamma = call.gamma_fd()
    vega = call.vega_fd()
    # Simulate variance processes
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vtn = vt + kappadt*(theta - vt) + sigmasdt*np.sqrt(vt)*Z[j-1,:,0]

# Simulate log asset prices
nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt)*dt
Stn = St*np.exp( nudt + np.sqrt(vt*dt)*W[j-1,:] )

# accumulate control variates
cv1 += delta*(Stn - St*erddt)
cv2 += gamma*((Stn - St)**2 - (egam1*np.exp(vt*dt) + egam2)*St**2)
cv3 += vega*((vtn - vt) - (vt*eveg1+eveg2-vt))

mask = np.where(Stn > St_max)
St_max[mask] = Stn[mask]

vt = vtn
St = Stn

# Compute Expectation and SE
Y = np.maximum(0, St_max - K)
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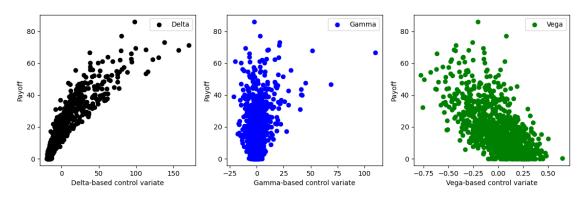
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[38]: C0 = np.exp(-r*T)*np.sum(Y)/M
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[38]: 16.269960525692177

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[39]: X = np.vstack([np.ones(M), cv1, cv2, cv3]).T
      beta = np.linalg.lstsq(X, Y, rcond=None)[0]
                    : ',round(beta[0],3))
      print('Beta 0
      print('Beta 1 (delta): ',round(beta[1],3))
      print('Beta 2 (gamma): ',round(beta[2],3))
      print('Beta 3 (vega) : ',round(beta[3],3))
      fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=3, figsize=(14,4))
      naming = ['Delta','Gamma','Vega']
      ax[0].scatter(cv1,Y,label=naming[0],color='k')
      ax[1].scatter(cv2,Y,label=naming[1],color='b')
      ax[2].scatter(cv3,Y,label=naming[2],color='g')
      for i,a in enumerate(ax):
          a.set ylabel('Payoff')
          a.set_xlabel(naming[i]+'-based control variate')
          a.legend()
      plt.show()
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Beta 0 : 16.827 Beta 1 (delta): 0.49 Beta 2 (gamma): 0.234

Beta 3 (vega) : -12.76



```
[40]: # Start Timer
      start_time = time.time()
      # Precompute constants
      dt = T/N
      # Heston model adjustments for time steps
      kappadt = kappa*dt
      sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
      # Control variate constant terms
      erddt = np.exp((r-div)*dt)
      egam1 = np.exp(2*(r-div)*dt)
      egam2 = -2*erddt + 1
      eveg1 = np.exp(-kappadt)
      eveg2 = theta - theta*eveg1
      # linear constants pre-determined for control variate weighting
      beta1 = -beta[1]
      beta2 = -beta[2]
      beta3 = -beta[3]
      # Perform (lower) cholesky decomposition
      lower_chol = cholesky(rho, lower=True)
      # Generate Wiener variables
      Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
      \#W\_ind = np.random.normal(size=(N_tot+1, M, 1))
      #W = Z @ lower_chol
      W = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      # arrays for storing prices and variances
```

```
St = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
vt = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=vt0)
# array for storing maximum's
St_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
# array for storing control variates
cv1 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
cv2 = np.full(shape=(M), fill value=0.0)
cv3 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
for j in range(1,N+1):
    # Compute hedge sensitivities
    call = fixed_strike lookback_call(r, St[j-1], K, T-(j-1)*dt, St_max, np.

sqrt(vt[j-1]), div)
    delta = call.delta fd()
    gamma = call.gamma_fd()
    vega = call.vega_fd()
    # Simulate variance processes
    vt[j] = vt[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt[j-1]) + sigmasdt*np.
 \Rightarrowsqrt(vt[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
    # Simulate log asset prices
    nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt[j])*dt
    St[j] = St[j-1]*np.exp(nudt + np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W[j-1,:])
    # accumulate control variates
    cv1 += delta*(St[j] - St[j-1]*erddt)
    cv2 += gamma*((St[j] - St[j-1])**2 - (egam1*np.exp(vt[j-1]*dt) + \\ \sqcup
 \rightarrowegam2)*St[j-1]**2)
    cv3 += vega*((vt[j] - vt[j-1]) - (vt[j-1]*eveg1+eveg2-vt[j-1]))
    mask = np.where(St[j] > St_max)
    St_max[mask] = St[j][mask]
# Compute Expectation and SE
CT = np.maximum(0, St_max - K) + beta1*cv1 + beta2*cv2 + beta3*cv3
CO_cv = np.exp(-r*T)*np.sum(CT)/M
SE_cv = np.sqrt(np.sum((np.exp(-r*T)*CT - CO_cv)**2) / (M-1)) / np.sqrt(M)
time_comp_cv = round(time.time() - start_time,4)
print("Call value is ${0} with SE +/- {1}".format(np.round(CO_cv,2),np.
 →round(SE_cv,2)))
print("Calculation time: {0} sec".format(time_comp_cv))
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5 Heston Model with antithetic and control (delta/gamma/vega) variates

```
[41]: # Start Timer
      start time = time.time()
      # Precompute constants
      dt = T/N
      # Heston model adjustments for time steps
      kappadt = kappa*dt
      sigmasdt = sigma*np.sqrt(dt)
      # Control variate constant terms
      erddt = np.exp((r-div)*dt)
      egam1 = np.exp(2*(r-div)*dt)
      egam2 = -2*erddt + 1
      eveg1 = np.exp(-kappadt)
      eveg2 = theta - theta*eveg1
      # linear constants pre-determined for control variate weighting
      beta1 = -beta[1] #-0.88
      beta2 = -beta[2] #-0.43
      beta3 = -beta[3] #-0.0003
      # Generate Wiener variables
      Z = np.random.normal(size=(N+1,M,2))
      #W_ind = np.random.normal(size=(N_tot+1, M, 1))
      #W = Z @ lower chol
      W1 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] + np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      W2 = rho_scalar*Z[:,:,0] - np.sqrt(1-rho_scalar**2)*Z[:,:,1]
      # array for storing control variates
      cv1 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
      cv2 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
      cv3 = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=0.0)
      # arrays for storing prices and variances
      St1 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=S0)
      St2 = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill value=S0)
      vt = np.full(shape=(N+1,M), fill_value=vt0)
      # array for storing maximum's
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St1_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
St2_max = np.full(shape=(M), fill_value=S0)
for j in range(1,N+1):
    # Compute hedge sensitivities
    call1 = fixed_strike_lookback_call(r, St1[j-1], K, T-(j-1)*dt, St1_max, np.

sqrt(vt[j-1]), div)
    call2 = fixed_strike_lookback_call(r, St2[j-1], K, T-(j-1)*dt, St2_max, np.

sqrt(vt[j-1]), div)
    delta1 = call1.delta fd()
    delta2 = call2.delta_fd()
    gamma1 = call1.gamma fd()
    gamma2 = call2.gamma_fd()
    vega1 = call1.vega_fd()
    vega2 = call2.vega_fd()
    # Simulate variance processes
    vt[j] = vt[j-1] + kappadt*(theta - vt[j-1]) + sigmasdt*np.
 \Rightarrowsqrt(vt[j-1])*Z[j-1,:,0]
    # Simulate log asset prices
    nudt = (r - div - 0.5*vt[j])*dt
    St1[j] = St1[j-1]*np.exp(nudt + np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W1[j-1,:])
    St2[j] = St2[j-1]*np.exp( nudt - np.sqrt(vt[j]*dt)*W2[j-1,:] )
    # accumulate control variates
    cv1 += delta1*(St1[j] - St1[j-1]*erddt) + delta2*(St2[j] - St2[j-1]*erddt)
    cv2 += gamma1*((St1[j] - St1[j-1])**2 - (egam1*np.exp(vt[j-1]*dt) +_{\sqcup}
 ⇔egam2)*St1[j-1]**2) \
         + gamma2*((St2[j] - St2[j-1])**2 - (egam1*np.exp(vt[j-1]*dt) +___
 \rightarrowegam2)*St2[j-1]**2)
    cv3 += vega1*((vt[j] - vt[j-1]) - (vt[j-1]*eveg1+eveg2-vt[j-1])) \setminus
         + vega2*((vt[j] - vt[j-1]) - (vt[j-1]*eveg1+eveg2-vt[j-1]))
    mask1 = np.where(St1[j] > St1_max)
    mask2 = np.where(St2[j] > St2_max)
    St1_max[mask1] = St1[j][mask1]
    St2_max[mask2] = St2[j][mask2]
# Compute Expectation and SE
CT = 0.5*(np.maximum(0, St1_max - K) + np.maximum(0, St2_max - K) 
      + beta1*cv1 + beta2*cv2 + beta3*cv3)
CO_acv = np.exp(-r*T)*np.sum(CT)/M
SE_acv = np.sqrt(np.sum((np.exp(-r*T)*CT - CO_acv)**2) / (M-1)) / np.sqrt(M)
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Call value is \$15.88 with SE +/- 0.17 Calculation time: 0.4869 sec

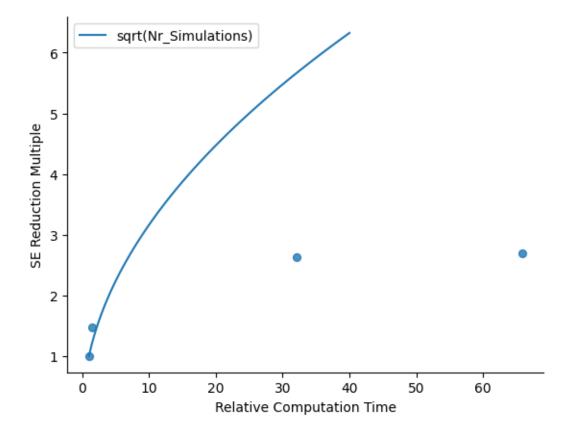
6 Compare computation time and variance reduction

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[45]:
                                            Lookback Call Option Value \
                                                                 16.689
     Fast Estimate
      with antithetic variate
                                                                 15.164
      with control variates
                                                                 15.843
      with antithetic and control variates
                                                                 15.882
                                            Standard Error SE \
     Fast Estimate
                                                         0.461
      with antithetic variate
                                                         0.312
      with control variates
                                                         0.176
      with antithetic and control variates
                                                         0.171
                                            SE Reduction Multiple \
      Fast Estimate
                                                              1.00
      with antithetic variate
                                                              1.48
      with control variates
                                                              2.63
      with antithetic and control variates
                                                              2.69
                                            Relative Computation Time
     Fast Estimate
                                                                  1.00
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with antithetic variate1.43with control variates32.07with antithetic and control variates65.80
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[46]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x78a3705dbf10>

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Control variate too expensive to calculate/ too weakly correlated and thus not worth it since additional simulations (M) reduce the SE $\propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}$