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Sheet 01

# **Computational Finance**

Exercises for participants of all programs

## C-Exercise 01 (2 Bonuspoints)

Write a Python function

that computes and returns the capital  $V_n$  if an interest of r > 0 has been paid on the initial endowment  $V_0 > 0$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  years. If c = 1, the variable r refers to a continuous rate (i.e.,  $V_n = V_0 e^{rn}$ ), and if c = 0, it refers to a simple rate paid over M time periods per year (i.e.,  $V_n = V_0 (1 + \frac{r}{M})^{(n \cdot M)}$ ). Test your function for

$$V_0 = 1000$$
,  $r = 0.05$ ,  $n = 10$ ,  $M = 4$ ,  $c = 0$ .

*Useful Python commands:* if, elif, else, math.exp

#### C-Exercise 02 (4 Points)

Write a Python function

$$S = CRR\_stock(S\_0, r, sigma, T, M)$$

that returns the stock price matrix  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{(M+1)\times (M+1)}$  in the CRR-model with initial stock price S(0) > 0, interest rate r > 0 and volatility  $\sigma > 0$  to a time horizon T > 0 with  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  time steps.

Test your algorithm with

$$S(0) = 100, r = 0.05, \sigma = 0.3, T = 1, M = 500$$

Reminder: In the stock price matrix S of the CRR-model  $S_{ji} = S(0)u^jd^{i-j}$  denotes the stock price at time  $t_i$  after j upward and hence i-j downward movements (see Section 2.4).

### **T-Exercise 03** (4 Points)

In the course we fixed the relation  $u=\frac{1}{d}$  in the specification of the binomial model that is used as an approximation to the Black-Scholes model. For even  $M\in\mathbb{N}$ , this implies  $S(0)u^{\frac{M}{2}}d^{\frac{M}{2}}=S(0)$ . Replace the condition (2.3), i.e.  $u=\frac{1}{d}$ , by

- (a) q = 0.5,
- (b)  $S(0)u^{\frac{M}{2}}d^{\frac{M}{2}} = S(0)e^{rT}$ ,
- (c)  $S(0)u^{\frac{M}{2}}d^{\frac{M}{2}} = K$ .

and compute the value of the parameters u,d and q for each case (maths students) resp. only for (a) (QF students). Discuss the potential benefit of the alternative conditions and in what scenario they may be useful.

## T-Exercise 04 (math only) (4 Points)

Let

$$S = S(0)e^{\mu I + \sigma W},$$
  

$$B = e^{rI},$$
  

$$D = \delta S \cdot I$$

with  $\mu, \sigma, r, \delta \in \mathbb{R}$ , I(t) = t denoting the identity process and W a Wiener process. Show that

$$\tilde{S} := \frac{S}{B} + \frac{1}{B} \cdot D$$
 is a *Q*-martingale if and only if  $\frac{S}{B} e^{\delta I}$  is a *Q*-martingale.

Hint: Recall the following rules from Mathematical Finance:

- (a)  $H \cdot (K \cdot X) = (HK) \cdot X$ ,
- (b)  $XY = X(0)Y(0) + X \cdot Y + Y \cdot X + [X,Y]$  (integration by parts),
- (c) [X,Y] = 0 if  $X = H \cdot I$  or  $Y = H \cdot I$  for some H,
- (d)  $H \cdot I(t) = \int_0^t H_s ds$ ,
- (e) X martingale  $\Rightarrow H \cdot X$  martingale,
- (f)  $H \cdot X = 0$  if X is constant.

Please include your name(s) as comment in the beginning of the file. Do not forget to include comments in your Python-programs.

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