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Part F: Finite Difference Methods (Introduction)

Question F.a

Compile and run the project as in and make sure that you get Excel output.

See FDM.xlsx.

Question F.b

In this exercise, we test the FD scheme. We run the programs using the data from Batches 1 to 4. Compare your answers with those from the previous exercises. That's all.

Batch #	FDM Abs. Error
1	4.2117e-03
2	2.3591e-03
3	1.9755e-03
4	2.03357e-01

The finite-difference method outperformed Monte Carlo (MC) on Batches 1 & 2 by an order of magnitude. While I did not attempt Monte Carlo on Batch 4, the explicit Euler method struggled and required many time points to get stability but suffered from a significant approximation error. For an option with such a long time to

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expiry, I would suggest moving to a more stable method such as the Implicit Euler Method or Crank-Nicholson.

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