Solutions - Practical Lesson 6

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1 Solutions

1.1 Exercises

1.1.1 Exercise 6.1

Write a ForwardRateCurve (for EURIBOR/LIBOR rate curve) which doesn't compute discount factors but only interpolates forward rates; then add it to the finmarkets module.

Solution In this case it is enough to write a new class that has three attributes: a today date, a set of pillar_dates and the corresponding rates. There will be just a single method forward_rate which returns the corresponding interpolated rate.

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In [1]: import numpy
        # an EURIBOR or LIBOR rate curve
        # doesn't calculate discount factors, only interpolates forward rates
        class ForwardRateCurve(object):
            # the special __init__ method defines how to
            # construct instances of the class
            def __init__(self, pillar_dates, rates):
                # we just store the arguments as attributes of the instance
                self.today = pillar_dates[0]
                self.rates = rates
                self.pillar_days = [
                    (pillar_date - self.today).days
                    for pillar_date in pillar_dates
                ]
            # interpolates the forward rates stored in the instance
            def forward_rate(self, d):
                d_days = (d - self.today).days
                return numpy.interp(d_days, self.pillar_days, self.rates)
```

1.1.2 Exercise 6.2

Using the function randint of the module random make a Monte Carlo simulation of rolling three dices to check the probability of getting the same values on the three of them.

From the probability theory you should expect:

$$P_{d1=d2=d3} = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot 6 = \frac{1}{36} = 0.0278$$

In [1]: from random import seed, randint
 seed(1)

 trials = 100000000
 success = 0
 for _ in range(trials):
 d1, d2, d3 = randint(1, 6), randint(1, 6), randint(1, 6)

 if d1 == d2 and d2 == d3:
 success += 1

 print ("The probability to get three equal dice is {:.4f}".format(success/trials))

The probability to get three equal dice is 0.0278

1.1.3 Exercise 6.3

plt.xlabel("days")

Using the function normal of numpy random simulate the price of a stock which evolves according to a log-normal stochastic process with a daily rate of return $\mu=0.1$ and a volatility $\sigma=0.15$ for 30 days.

Also plot the price. Try to play with μ and σ to see how the plot changes.

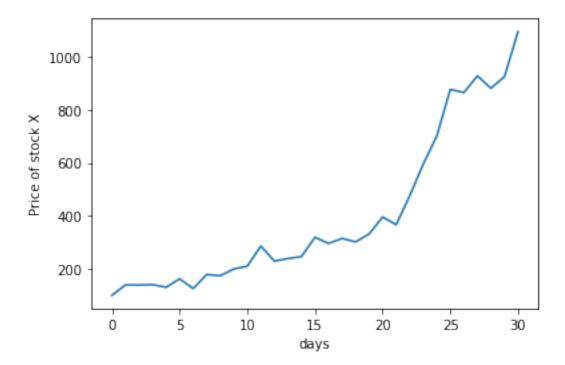
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In [3]: from numpy.random import normal, seed
    from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
    import math

S = 100
    mu = 0.1
    sigma = 0.15
    T = 1

seed(1)
    historical_series = [S]
    for i in range(30):
        S = S * math.exp((mu - 0.5 * sigma * sigma) * T + sigma * math.sqrt(T) * normal())
         historical_series.append(S)

plt.plot(range(31), historical_series)
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plt.ylabel("Price of stock X")
plt.show()
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1.1.4 Exercise 6.4

Suppouse that the Libor Forward rates are those defined *here*. Determine the value of an option to pay a fixed rate of 4% and receives LIBOR on a 5 year swap starting in 1 year. Assume the notional is 100 EUR, the exercise date is on October, 30th 2020 and the swap rate volatility is 15%.

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S = irs.swap_rate(discount_curve, libor_curve)
T = (exercise_date - pricing_date).days / 365
d1 = (math.log(S/irs.fixed_rate) + 0.5 * sigma**2 * T) / (sigma * T**0.5)
d2 = (math.log(S/irs.fixed_rate) - 0.5 * sigma**2 * T) / (sigma * T**0.5)
npv = irs.notional * A * (S * norm.cdf(d1) - irs.fixed_rate * norm.cdf(d2))
print("Swaption NPV: {:.3f} EUR".format(npv))
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Swaption NPV: 13.587 EUR