

# QFGB8960 Advanced C++ for Finance

## Homework 5

Spring 2025

### Problem 1 (50 points) P&L Accounting

At time  $t = 0$  we sold  $N = 10,000$  units of a call option with strike  $K = 100$  and time to expiration  $T = 2$  years. Every quarter year we delta hedge our option position, i.e. we buy/sell stock so that we hold  $N\Delta_t$  shares of the underlying stock.

Create a Python notebook with a pandas dataframe that at each quarter until expiration tracks the positions and values of a portfolio containing the short option position, the stock shares (delta hedge), and a cash account for maintaining our debits/credits. To compute the value  $V_t$  and the delta  $\Delta_t$  use the function `qf.euroBS` from homework 4.

For valuation of the option and cash account use the parameters:  $r = 4\%$ ,  $q = 2\%$ ,  $\sigma = 30\%$ .

The stock prices at each quarter year are given in the column “Spot” in the table below. In each row we compute the option price  $V_t$ , delta  $\Delta_t$ , and the one-period growth factor  $M_t = e^{r(t_i - t_{i-1})}$ . We hold  $-N$  option units (we sold, so we are short) and  $N\Delta_t$  stock units as a hedge. To buy the initial hedge, which is worth  $N\Delta_0 S_0$ , we need to borrow this amount from our cash account. Since we deposited the premium  $NV_0$  into the account, the initial cash balance is  $-N\Delta_0 S_0 + NV_0$ . At the end of the following period,  $t = 0.25$ , we adjust the hedge from  $N\Delta_{t=0}$  shares to  $N\Delta_{t=0.25}$  shares. This will cost  $(N\Delta_{t=0.25} - N\Delta_{t=0}) S_{t=0.25}$ . The cash account at the end of  $t = 0.25$  will contain the prior balance, grown by the factor  $M_{t=0.25}$ , plus the cost from adjusting the delta hedge.

Use the above procedure to fill in the rest of the table below.

For every time  $t$  we have:  $\text{Tot\_Val}_t = \text{Opt\_Val}_t + \text{Stk\_Val}_t + \text{Cash\_Acc}_t$

Report the final P&L, i.e. the total value  $\text{Tot\_Val}_{t=2.00}$ .

Submit the Python notebook with the above table filled out as a Pandas data frame.

| Time | Spot   | Price | Delta | Growth | Opt_Units | Stk_Units | Opt_Val     | Stk_Val    | Cash_Acc    | Tot_Val |
|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| 0.00 | 100.00 | 17.78 | 0.60  | 1.0000 | -10,000   | 5,960.30  | -177,773.03 | 596,030.41 | -418,257.38 | 0.00    |
| 0.25 | 105.00 | 19.72 | 0.64  | 1.0101 | -10,000   |           |             |            |             |         |
| 0.50 | 110.00 |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 0.75 | 92.00  |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 1.00 | 103.00 |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 1.25 | 90.00  |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 1.50 | 110.00 |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 1.75 | 95.00  |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             |         |
| 2.00 | 88.00  |       |       |        |           |           |             |            |             | ???     |

## Problem 2 (30 points) PPoly Curve Operations

Implement a Python callable C++ function that adds two piecewise polynomial curves. Call the C++ function `pyQfPPolySum` and the corresponding Python function `qf.ppolySum`. The signature of the function should be

```
qf.ppolySum(bkpoints1, values1, bkpoints2, values2, porder)
```

The inputs define two piecewise polynomial curves of the same order. Restrict the order to be either 0 or 1.

The function returns a  $n \times 2$  numpy array. The first column contains the  $n$  common breakpoints of the two curves and the second contains the corresponding values.

## Problem 3 (20 points) PPoly Curve Check

On the same Python notebook as for problem 1, validate the results of the function `qf.ppolySum` in problem 2 by calling it on two polynomial curves with common order = 0. Then use the function `qf.ppolyEval` to evaluate the sum of the two polynomials for a sequence of x-values, which should include the common breakpoints. Plot the original two polynomials and the sum. Does the plot confirm that the sum was correctly computed?

- Put your Python notebook in the folder `qflib-0.5.0/examples/Python`.