Computational Finance and its Object Oriented Implementation.

Exercise Handout 11

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Exercise 1

In the first part of the lecture we have seen analytic formulas for the valuation of some European Options on interest rates, see for example Script 12-13. Some of such formulas are formulated under the Black Model. We now consider instead the Libor Market Model, i.e., we assume log-normal dynamics for n Libors $L_i(\cdot) := L(T_i, T_{i+1}; \cdot)$. Find at least one formula derived under the Black model that still holds in the Libor Market Model setting and at least one that does not hold (because its assumption cannot be valid in general) in the Libor Market Model setting. Motivate your answer.

Exercise 2

Write a method similar to the method createLIBORMarketModel you can find in

com.andreamazzon.handout10.LIBORMarketModelConstruction,

where you also construct an object of type

net.finmath.montecarlo.interestrate.TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel,

with the following enhancements:

- every time you call the method you can decide if you want normal or log-normal dynamics for the simulated LIBOR market model;
- every time you call the method you can decide if you want to construct the drift using the terminal or the spot measure.

Hints:

- (a) You are free to decide how to communicate such a choice to the method (for example, by a string or a boolean value).
- (b) Note that the type of dynamics as well as the choice of the measure might be given by a Map<String, String> properties object that should be passed to the constructor of

net.finmath.montecarlo.interestrate.models.LIBORMarketModelFromCovarianceModel,

together with other arguments you need to specify.

(c) You are also free to give a volatility structure of your choice, it can also be constant. In order to check if the values you give make sense, you can pass the object created in such a way to the getValue method of the product classes we have seen the last times. However: what do you observe if you give the same volatility structure both to the model with log-normal dynamics and with normal dynamics? If you see that some results do not make sense, you can think to rescale it when the dynamics are normal (or viceversa). You can do it manually or with the help of a class of the Finmath library..

Exercise 3

Test the method you have written in Exercise 2 by printing or plotting the value of a caplet for different strikes, first for log-normal dynamics of the LIBOR market model, and then for normal dynamics. Do it for initial values of the forward rates $L_i = 0.05$, i = 1, ..., n-1, and strike K going from 0.025 to 0.10. You can also try to see if things change depending on the measure you choose.

You can evaluate a caplet for a given underlying of type

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 $\verb|net.finmath.montecarlo.interestrate.products.AbstractLIBORMonteCarloProduct|,\\$

in a similar way as we did in the last weeks for the digital caplet and the exchange option, or using the appropriate class of the Finmath library.