Computational Finance and its Object Oriented Implementation.

Exercise Handout 8

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Exercise 1

Consider a LIBOR market model for the evolution of the LIBOR rates

$$L_i := L(T_i, T_{i+1}), \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1,$$

for a given tenure structure $T_0 = 0 < T_1 < \cdots < T_n$. An exchange option involving two LIBOR rates $L(T_i, T_{i+1})$ and $L(T_k, T_{k+1})$, with 0 < i < k < n, is the product paying

$$(L(T_i, T_{i+1}; T_i) - L(T_k, T_{k+1}; T_k))^+ \tag{1}$$

at time T_{k+1} . Write a class MyExchangeOption extending

 ${\tt net.finmath.montecarlo.interestrate.products.AbstractLIBORMonteCarloProduct} \\ {\tt whose method}$

getValue(double evaluationTime, TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel model) returns the (discounted) payoff (1) as a RandomVariable.

Exercise 2

Write a method, that can be added to the class

com.andreamazzon.handout7.LIBORMarketModelConstruction,

taking as inputs a double correlationDecayParameter and an object oldLIBORSimulation of type

net.finmath.montecarlo.interestrate.TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel,

and returning an object of type TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel. In particular, scope of this method is to return a clone of oldLIBORSimulation, changing its LIBORCorrelationModel (if it has any, if not you can just return an Exception) with a LIBORCorrelationModelExponentialDecay object whose correlation decay parameter is correlationDecayParameter.

Hint: for this exercise you have to find and use the appropriate methods of the Finmath library. Here are some steps for a *possible* solution, but you are of course free to proceed as you want.

- (a) Get the TermStructureModel oldModel object contained in oldLIBORSimulation;
- (b) get the LIBORCovarianceModel oldCovarianceModel object contained in oldModel;
- (c) construct a LIBORCorrelationModel newCorrelationModel object with the constructor of the suitable class, by giving it correlationDecayParameter and other objects you can get from oldCovarianceModel;
- (d) use newCorrelationModel in order to construct an appropriate HashMap, that you can pass to the getCloneWithModifiedData method called by oldCovarianceModel;
- (e) pass the object obtained in this way to the getCloneWithModifiedCovarianceModel method, called by oldModel;
- (f) use the object got in the last step, together with the Brownian Motion that you can get from oldLIBORSimulation, to construct the new LIBORMonteCarloSimulationFromLIBORModel object as we saw in the last exercise session.

Note that some of these step you might have to downcast.

Exercise 3

Consider again the product with payoff (1), when the underlying processes are taken from a LIBOR Market Model $L_i := L(T_i, T_{i+1}), 1 \le i \le n-1$, with

$$dL_i(t) = L_i(t)\sigma_i(t)dW_i(t), \quad 0 \le t \le T_i, \quad i = 0, \dots, n-1,$$

where $d\langle W_i, W_j \rangle(t) = \rho_{i,j}(t)dt$.

Write a test class whose main goal is to print the value of the option for two processes from (2), for different values of the decay correlation parameter $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\rho_{i,j}(t) = e^{-\alpha |T_i - T_j|}, \quad 0 < i, j < n.$$

In order to accomplish this you can:

- (a) construct an object of type TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel with the createLIBORMarketModel method we have seen last time, for a given value of α and some parameters of your choice, and pass it to the getValue method of the MyExchangeOption, together with the periods identifying the LIBORs you want;
- (b) then change the value of α inside a for loop, and call again getValue. In this for loop, you don't have to create the TermStructureMonteCarloSimulationModel object from scratch, but you can use the method of Exercise 2. This would save time.

Before looking at the results, try to guess what you expect: the price will increase or decrease with α ?