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General Instructions for MA 374 (Applicable for all lab assignments)

- Your program should be written in such a way that there is only one program for each question and all the outputs for each question should be displayed by running the program once only.
  - Put down all your observations and outputs of the questions asked in a single Word/LaTeX document. Finally create a pdf file from the Word/LaTeX file.
  - The file names should be your roll number and name separated by “\_”. If your roll number is 100 and your name is xyz then file names should be 100\_xyz for output files (in pdf) and 100\_xyz.q1 and 100\_xyz.q2 etc for programs. Write your full name and roll number at the top of the output file.
  - All your programs (executable) and output files (in pdf format) must be submitted as Microsoft Teams assignment.
  - Each question carries 10 marks.
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Write a program, using the binomial pricing algorithm, to determine the price of an European call and an European put option (in the binomial model framework) with the following data :

$$S(0) = 100; K = 105; T = 5; r = 0.05; \sigma = 0.3.$$

Take  $u = e^{\sigma\sqrt{\Delta t} + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\Delta t}$  and  $d = e^{-\sigma\sqrt{\Delta t} + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\Delta t}$ , where  $\Delta t = \frac{T}{M}$ , with  $M$  being the number of subintervals in the time interval  $[0, T]$ . Use the **continuous compounding convention** in your calculations (i.e., both in  $p$  and in the pricing formula).

1. Run your program for  $M = 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 400$  to get the initial option prices and tabulate them.
2. How do the values of options at time  $t = 0$  compare for various values of  $M$ ? Compute and plot graphs (of the initial option prices) varying  $M$  in steps of 1 and in steps of 5. What do you observe about the convergence of option prices?
3. Tabulate the values of the options at  $t = 0, 0.50, 1, 1.50, 3, 4.5$  for the case  $M = 20$ .

Note that your program should check for the **no-arbitrage condition** of the model before proceeding to compute the prices.