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MATHG4074: Programming for Quant and Comp Finance

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**Pricing a European put under a pure jump process** – Let  $w(x, \tau)$  be the value of a derivative security that satisfies the following PIDE

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial \tau}(x, \tau) - (r - q) \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x, \tau) + rw(x, \tau) - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ w(x + y, \tau) - w(x, \tau) - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x, \tau)(e^y - 1) \right] k(y) dy = 0$$

where

$$k(y) = \frac{e^{-\lambda_p y}}{\nu y} \mathbf{1}_{y>0} + \frac{e^{-\lambda_n |y|}}{\nu |y|} \mathbf{1}_{y<0},$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_p &= \left( \frac{\theta^2}{\sigma^4} + \frac{2}{\sigma^2 \nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{\theta}{\sigma^2}, \\ \lambda_n &= \left( \frac{\theta^2}{\sigma^4} + \frac{2}{\sigma^2 \nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\theta}{\sigma^2}. \end{aligned}$$

and  $x = \ln(S)$  and  $\tau = T - t$ . For a European put option premium, this PIDE must be solved subject to the initial condition

$$w(x, 0) = (K - e^x)^+,$$

and boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} w(x_0, \tau) &= (K - \exp(x_0))^+ \quad \forall \tau, \\ w(x_N, \tau) &= 0 \quad \forall \tau. \end{aligned}$$

Use explicit-implicit finite difference scheme **covered during the lecture** to solve the PIDE.

Calculate the option premium in this framework for the following parameters: spot price,  $S_0 = \$1800$ ; strike price  $K = 1650$ ; risk-free interest rate,  $r = 0.5\%$ ; dividend rate,  $q = 1.35\%$ ; maturity,  $T = 0.5$  year;  $\sigma = 20\%$ ,  $\nu = 0.17$  and  $\theta = -0.15$  (sanity check – option premium for this parameter set is around \$45.58 depending on the time- and spatial-steps).

We can evaluate  $\sigma^2(\Delta x)$  and  $\Omega(\Delta x)$  in terms of exponential integral function

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma^2(\Delta x) &= \int_{|y| < \Delta x} y^2 k(y) dy \\
&= \frac{1}{\nu \lambda_p^2} (1 - (1 + \lambda_p \Delta x) e^{-\lambda_p \Delta x}) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\nu \lambda_n^2} (1 - (1 + \lambda_n \Delta x) e^{-\lambda_n \Delta x})
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\omega(\Delta x) &= \int_{|y| > \Delta x} (1 - e^y) k(y) dy \\
&= \frac{1}{\nu} (\text{expint}(\lambda_p \Delta x) - \text{expint}((\lambda_p - 1) \Delta x)) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\nu} (\text{expint}(\lambda_n \Delta x) - \text{expint}((\lambda_n + 1) \Delta x))
\end{aligned}$$