

Q2

Reading Tips

Due to MATLAB settings, I need to put the simulation above the code for question. So, you will see my code in the 'Function' section at the bottom.

Evaluation results

```
% test
% define fixed constants
s0 = 100;
r = 0.06;
T = 1;
% Let's use the same M and N as Q1
M = 10000;
N = 1000;
% varying constants
Ks = [80, 90, 100, 110, 120];
sigmas = [0.01, 0.1, 0.3];
% option price matrix
op_mat = zeros(length(Ks), length(sigmas));
% standard error
er_mat = zeros(length(Ks), length(sigmas));
```

Turn off MATLAB warnings

```
w = warning('query','last');
id = w.identifier;
warning('off',id);
rmpath('folderthatisnotonpath');
```

Warning: "folderthatisnotonpath" not found in path.

Fill in the table

```
% MC
for i = 1:length(Ks)
    for j = 1:length(sigmas)
        K = Ks(i);
        sigma = sigmas(j);
        [op_price, stderr] = LSMC(s0, r, K, sigma, T, M, N);
        op_mat(i,j) = op_price;
        er_mat(i,j) = stderr;
    end
end
```

Next, add headers to the result

```
rowNames = {'K = 80', '90', '100', '110', '120'};  
colNames = {'Sigma = 0.01', '0.1', '0.3'};  
% option price table  
op_tab = array2table(op_mat, "RowNames", rowNames, "VariableNames", colNames)
```

op_tab = 5×3 table

	Sigma = 0.01	0.1	0.3
1 K = 80	0	0	0.0041
2 90	0	0	0.1920
3 100	0.0582	0.8363	2.5455
4 110	9.4123	9.4141	9.7876
5 120	18.8295	18.8338	18.8933

% standard error table

```
er_tab = array2table(er_mat, "RowNames", rowNames, "VariableNames", colNames)
```

er_tab = 5×3 table

	Sigma = 0.01	0.1	0.3
1 K = 80	0	0	0.0001
2 90	0	0	0.0020
3 100	2.7396e-04	0.0028	0.0081
4 110	2.9868e-04	0.0030	0.0091
5 120	2.9494e-04	0.0029	0.0089

I used M = 10000 and N = 1000.

Function

The LSMC function estimates the time-0 price using the Least Square Monte Carlo method.

Input:

- s0: underlying asset price at time-0
- r: risk-free interest rate
- K: strike price
- sigma: volatility
- T: maturity time
- M: the number of simulations

- N: the number of subintervals

Output

- res: time-0 option price
- stderr: standard error of res

```
function [res,stderr] = LSMC(s0, r, K, sigma, T, M, N)
% get the length of each subinterval
delta_t = T/N;

% initialize the MC stock price matrix: a M * N matrix where
% each row represents a stock price path of length N
% the stock price is assumed to follow a geometric brownian motion

% ----- generate stock price -----
% for each path, generate a vector of standard normal distribution
stnorm = normrnd(0, 1, [M, N]);
% time value: start from delta_t, increase delta_t each time, and
% ends at T
time_lst = delta_t:delta_t:T;
% generate stock price path
mc_s_price = s0 .* exp((r- sigma^2/2) * time_lst + ...
    sigma * sqrt(time_lst) .* stnorm);

% ----- generate stock price -----

% ----- generate payoff -----
% return the inner-value of American option
mc_payoff = max(K - mc_s_price, zeros(M,N));
% ----- generate payoff -----

% ----- obtain value -----
% initialize the value of option matrix:
% a M * N matrix where each row represents
value_mat = zeros(M, N);

% at time N, the option value of option is
% K - S_T if K > S_T
% 0 otherwise
value_mat(:, N) = mc_payoff(:, N);

% at time < N, we need to compare between
% X: the stock price at time j and
% Y: the discounted cash flow received at time j+1
for j = N-1:-1:1
    % get the polynomial: polyfit(X = price at column j, Y = value at j
    % + 1 discounted, degree = 4)
    po = polyfit(mc_s_price(:,j), value_mat(:,j + 1) * exp(-r), 4);
```

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% step 2: find 'continuation value',
% obtained by evaluating the polynomial at stock
% price at t
cont = polyval(po, mc_s_price(:, j));

% step 3: compare 'exercise' and 'continuation' columns
% compare result. If 'exercise value' = payoff at column t >
% continuation value, then we use payoff. Otherwise, we discount
% the value
condition = mc_payoff(:,j) > cont;
value_mat(condition,j) = mc_payoff(condition,j);
value_mat(~condition, j) = value_mat(~condition, j+1) * exp(-r);
end

% get the option value at time 0
op_val = value_mat(:, 1) * exp(-r);

% result is the mean of op_val
res = mean(op_val);
stderr = std(op_val)/sqrt(M);

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end
```