

# Lab2\_sol

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## 1 Sample solutions of lab 2

### 1.1 Exercise 1

Write a module containing Black-Scholes Call and Put pricing functions

$$Call(S, E, T, r, \sigma, D) = Se^{-DT}\Phi(d_1) - Ee^{-rT}\Phi(d_2)$$

$$Put(S, E, T, r, \sigma, D) = -Se^{-DT}\Phi(-d_1) + Ee^{-rT}\Phi(-d_2)$$

where

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{E}) + (r - D + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}, d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T}$$

and  $\Phi$  is the cumulative distribution function of the standard normal distribution

**Solution** The content of the file `BSformulas.py` should be as follows

```
In [13]: import numpy as np
         from scipy import stats
         Phi=stats.norm.cdf
         def Call(S,E,T,r,sigma,D):
             d1=(np.log(S/E)+(r-D+sigma**2/2)*T)/(sigma*np.sqrt(T))
             d2=d1-sigma*np.sqrt(T)
             return(S*np.exp(-D*T)*Phi(d1)-E*np.exp(-r*T)*Phi(d2))
         def Put(S,E,T,r,sigma,D):
             d1=(np.log(S/E)+(r-D+sigma**2/2)*T)/(sigma*np.sqrt(T))
             d2=d1-sigma*np.sqrt(T)
             return(-S*np.exp(-D*T)*Phi(-d1)+E*np.exp(-r*T)*Phi(-d2))
```

After running the previous definitions (or importing Call and Put from the file), execution the following lines in a console window one should give the same results as shown below

```
In [14]: Call(S=100,E=100,T=0.5,sigma=0.5,r=0.05,D=0.01)
```

```
Out[14]: 14.830417641356284
```

```
In [15]: Put(S=100,E=100,T=0.5,sigma=0.5,r=0.05,D=0.01)
```

```
Out[15]: 12.86016092492131
```

## 1.2 Exercise 2

The most common situation is that our programs compute the vector of values  $U_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  that correspond to the values  $u(x_i)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , where  $x_i$  are equally spaced in some interval  $[a, b]$ , so that  $x_i = a + i \cdot h$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , where  $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$ . Define a Python function `u1(x,U,a,b)` that returns the value of the function  $u$  for given argument  $x$  in the case when vector  $U$  contains values of the function  $u$  for equally spaced points in the interval  $[a, b]$ , assuming that  $x$  is one of the points for which there is the corresponding value in the vector  $U$ . Use the following algorithm:

1. Determine the number of intervals  $n$  from the fact that  $U$  contains  $n + 1$  values.
2. Compute  $h$  (the length of intervals  $(x_i, x_{i+1})$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$ ).
3. Compute the index  $i$  corresponding to the given value of  $x$  so that  $x_i = x$ .
4. Return corresponding value  $U_i$  of the vector  $U$  as the answer.

Test your code in the case when values  $U$  are computed according to the function  $u(x) = x^2$ .

**Solution**

```
In [16]: def u1(x,U,a,b):
          n=np.size(U)-1
          h=(b-a)/n
          i=np.int64((x-a)/h)
          # the result should be an integer and it is good
          #if this works also when x is a vector of values
          return U[i]
```

Testing the code:

```
In [17]: n=5
          x=np.linspace(0,1,n+1)
          U=x**2
          print(u1(0.4,U,0,1))
```

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## 1.3 Exercise 3

The function `u1` should work also when  $x \in [a, b]$  is not one of the points  $x_i$ , but it does not work very well: if the value of  $x$  is close to but smaller than  $x_5$ , for example, then the function returns the value of  $u$  corresponding to  $x_4$ , which may be quite different from the actual value of  $u(x)$ . A better idea is to make the values returned by `u1` to change continuously when  $x$  moves in the interval  $[a, b]$  so that at the points  $x_i$  we get the values in the vector  $U$ . The simplest idea to achieve that is to use linear interpolation: if we know the value  $u_c$  for  $x = c$  and  $u_d$  for  $x = d$ , then for all  $x \in [c, d]$  we compute values according to the linear function

$$u_c \frac{d-x}{d-c} + u_d \frac{x-c}{d-c}.$$

Define a function `u2(x,U,a,b)` that uses linear interpolation for computing approximate values of the function  $u$  for any value of  $x \in [a, b]$ . Plot the graph of the function `u2` in the case  $U = (1, 0.5, 0.7, 1, 1.8)$ ,  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 3$  for  $x \in [1, 2.9]$  by using the values of the function at 30 points.

**Solution**

```

In [18]: def u2(x,U,a,b):
          n=np.size(U)-1
          h=(b-a)/n
          xi=np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
          i=np.int64((x-a)/h)
          i=np.minimum(i,n-1)# the following code does not work if i>=n
          i=np.maximum(i,0)# this way it works also if x
#(or some value of x, if x is a vector) is smaller than a
          c=xi[i]
          d=xi[i+1]
          uc=U[i]
          ud=U[i+1]
          h=d-c #the length of the interval containing x
          return uc*(d-x)/h+ud*(x-c)/h

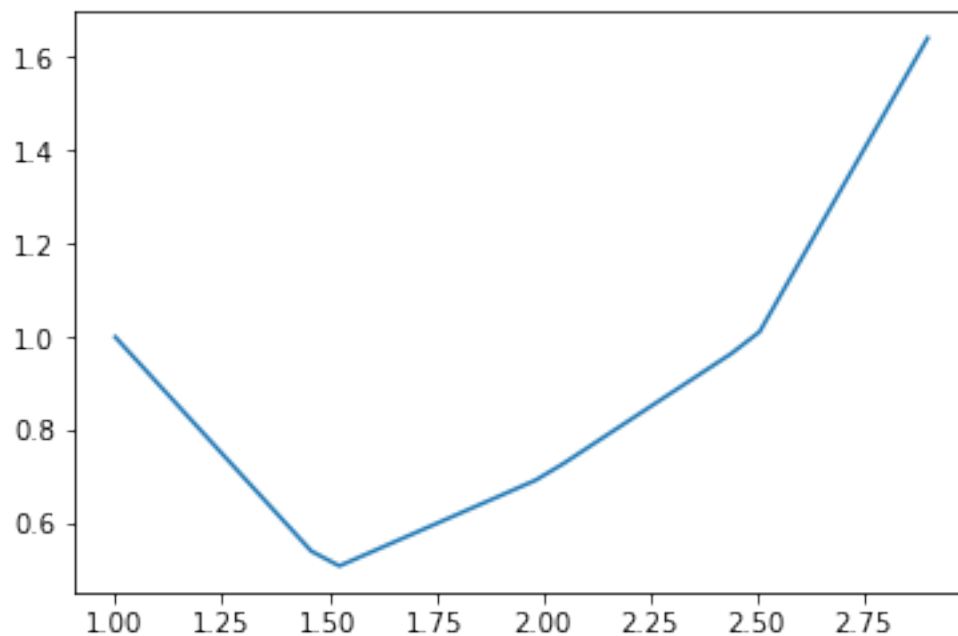
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Test the correctness:

```

In [19]: U=np.array([1,0.5,0.7,1,1.8])
          n=30
          x=np.linspace(1,2.9,n)
          import pylab as pl
          pl.plot(x,u2(x,U,1,3))
          pl.show()

```



## 1.4 Exercise 4

Sometimes we compute values of the function  $u$  for unevenly spaced argument values. Define a function `u3(x,U,X)` that computes the approximate values of  $u(x)$  by linear interpolation. Here the vector  $X$  contains  $x$ -values in the increasing order for which we have values of  $u(x)$  in the vector  $U$ . Verify the correctness of your function by comparing it's value to the value computed by the function `interp` from `scipy` package in the case  $x = 0.9$ ,  $U = (1.5, 0.8, 1, 4)$ ,  $X = (-1, 0.5, 1.7, 3)$ .

**Solution** Now it is not very easy to use vector operations to define such function so that it works also when the argument  $x$  is a vector. A possible solution that works only if  $x$  is a real number is as follows:

```
In [20]: def u3(x,U,X):
          n=np.size(U)-1
          #find i such that X[i]<=x<=X[i+1]
          i=0
          while i<n-1 and X[i+1]<x:
              i=i+1
          c=X[i]
          d=X[i+1]
          uc=U[i]
          ud=U[i+1]
          h=d-c
          return uc*(d-x)/h+ud*(x-c)/h
```

Let us check our solution: (note that you can see the information about `interp` by typing `help(np.interp)` in the console)

```
In [21]: U=np.array([1.5,0.8,1,4])
          X=np.array([-1,0.5,1.7,3])
          print(u3(0.9,U,X))
          print(np.interp(0.9,xp=X,fp=U))
```

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