NAG Library Routine Document

S30AAF

Note: before using this routine, please read the Users' Note for your implementation to check the interpretation of ***bold italicised*** terms and other implementation-dependent details.

1 Purpose

S30AAF computes the European option price given by the Black–Scholes–Merton formula.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE S30AAF (CALPUT, M, N, X, S, T, SIGMA, R, Q, P, LDP, IFAIL)

INTEGER             M, N, LDP, IFAIL
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) X(M), S, T(N), SIGMA, R, Q, P(LDP,N)
CHARACTER(1)        CALPUT
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3 Description

S30AAF computes the price of a European call (or put) option for constant volatility, σ, and risk-free interest rate, r, with a possible dividend yield, q, using the Black–Scholes–Merton formula (see Black and Scholes (1973) and Merton (1973)). For a given strike price, X, the price of a European call with underlying price, S, and time to expiry, T, is

$$P_{\text{call}} = Se^{-qT}\Phi(d_1) - Xe^{-rT}\Phi(d_2)$$

and the corresponding European put price is

$$P_{\text{put}} = Xe^{-rT}\Phi(-d_2) - Se^{-qT}\Phi(-d_1)$$

and where Φ denotes the cumulative Normal distribution function,

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\int_{-\infty}^{x} \exp\left(-y^2/2\right)dy$$

and

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(S/X)+\left(r-q+\sigma^2/2\right)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}},$$

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T}.$$

4 References

Black F and Scholes M (1973) The pricing of options and corporate liabilities *Journal of Political Economy* **81** 637–654

Merton R C (1973) Theory of rational option pricing *Bell Journal of Economics and Management Science* **4** 141–183

5 Parameters

1: CALPUT – CHARACTER(1) *Input*

On entry: determines whether the option is a call or a put.

CALPUT = 'C'
A call. The holder has a right to buy.

CALPUT = 'P'
A put. The holder has a right to sell.

Constraint: CALPUT = 'C' or 'P'.

2: M – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: the number of strike prices to be used.

Constraint: M ≥ 1.

3: N – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: the number of times to expiry to be used.

Constraint: N ≥ 1.

4: X(M) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Input*

On entry: X(i) must contain X_i, the ith strike price, for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, \mathrm{M}$.

Constraint: X(i) $\geq z$ and X(i) $\leq 1/z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter, for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, \mathrm{M}$.

5: S – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: S, the price of the underlying asset.

Constraint: S $\geq z$ and S $\leq 1.0/z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter.

6: T(N) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Input*

On entry: T(i) must contain T_i, the ith time, in years, to expiry, for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, \mathrm{N}$.

Constraint: T(i) $\geq z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter, for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, \mathrm{N}$.

7: SIGMA – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: σ, the volatility of the underlying asset. Note that a rate of 15% should be entered as 0.15.

Constraint: SIGMA > 0.0.

8: R – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: r, the annual risk-free interest rate, continuously compounded. Note that a rate of 5% should be entered as 0.05.

Constraint: R ≥ 0.0.

9: Q – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: q, the annual continuous yield rate. Note that a rate of 8% should be entered as 0.08.

Constraint: Q ≥ 0.0.

10: P(LDP,N) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Output*

On exit: the leading M $\times$ N part of the array P contains the computed option prices.

11: LDP – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: the first dimension of the array P as declared in the (sub)program from which S30AAF is called.

Constraint: LDP $\geq$ M.

12: IFAIL – INTEGER *Input/Output*

On entry: IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. If you are unfamiliar with this parameter you should refer to Section 3.3 in the Essential Introduction for details.

For environments where it might be inappropriate to halt program execution when an error is detected, the value -1 or 1 is recommended. If the output of error messages is undesirable, then the value 1 is recommended. Otherwise, if you are not familiar with this parameter, the recommended value is 0. **When the value -1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.**

On exit: IFAIL $= 0$ unless the routine detects an error or a warning has been flagged (see Section 6).

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

If on entry IFAIL $= 0$ or -1, explanatory error messages are output on the current error message unit (as defined by X04AAF).

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

IFAIL $= 1$

On entry, CALPUT $\neq$ 'C' or 'P'.

IFAIL $= 2$

On entry, M ≤ 0.

IFAIL $= 3$

On entry, N ≤ 0.

IFAIL $= 4$

On entry, X$(i) < z$ or X$(i) > 1/z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter.

IFAIL $= 5$

On entry, S $< z$ or S $> 1.0/z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter.

IFAIL $= 6$

On entry, T$(i) < z$, where $z =$ X02AMF(), the safe range parameter.

IFAIL $= 7$

On entry, SIGMA ≤ 0.0.

IFAIL $= 8$

On entry, R < 0.0.

IFAIL $= 9$

On entry, Q < 0.0.

IFAIL $= 11$

On entry, LDP $<$ M.

7 Accuracy

The accuracy of the output is dependent on the accuracy of the cumulative Normal distribution function, Φ. This is evaluated using a rational Chebyshev expansion, chosen so that the maximum relative error in the

expansion is of the order of the ***machine precision*** (see S15ABF and S15ADF). An accuracy close to ***machine precision*** can generally be expected.

8 Further Comments

None.

9 Example

This example computes the prices for six European call options using two expiry times and three strike prices as input. The times to expiry are taken as 0.7 and 0.8 years respectively. The stock price is 55, with strike prices, 58, 60 and 62. The risk-free interest rate is 10% per year and the volatility is 30% per year.

9.1 Program Text

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    Program s30aafe

!     S30AAF Example Program Text

!     Mark 24 Release. NAG Copyright 2012.

!     .. Use Statements ..
      Use nag_library, Only: nag_wp, s30aaf
!     .. Implicit None Statement ..
      Implicit None
!     .. Parameters ..
      Integer, Parameter               :: nin = 5, nout = 6
!     .. Local Scalars ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp)               :: q, r, s, sigma
      Integer                          :: i, ifail, j, ldp, m, n
      Character (1)                    :: calput
!     .. Local Arrays ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable  :: p(:,:), t(:), x(:)
!     .. Executable Statements ..
      Write (nout,*) 'S30AAF Example Program Results'

!     Skip heading in data file
      Read (nin,*)

      Read (nin,*) calput
      Read (nin,*) s, sigma, r, q
      Read (nin,*) m, n

      ldp = m
      Allocate (p(ldp,n),t(n),x(m))

      Read (nin,*)(x(i),i=1,m)
      Read (nin,*)(t(i),i=1,n)

      ifail = 0
      Call s30aaf(calput,m,n,x,s,t,sigma,r,q,p,ldp,ifail)

      Write (nout,*)
      Write (nout,*) 'Black-Scholes-Merton formula'

      Select Case (calput)
      Case ('C','c')
        Write (nout,*) 'European Call :'
      Case ('P','p')
        Write (nout,*) 'European Put :'
      End Select

      Write (nout,99998) '  Spot       = ', s
      Write (nout,99998) '  Volatility = ', sigma
      Write (nout,99998) '  Rate       = ', r
      Write (nout,99998) '  Dividend   = ', q
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      Write (nout,*)
      Write (nout,*) '   Strike    Expiry    Option Price'

      Do i = 1, m

        Do j = 1, n
          Write (nout,99999) x(i), t(j), p(i,j)
        End Do

      End Do

99999 Format (1X,2(F9.4,1X),6X,F9.4)
99998 Format (A,1X,F8.4)
    End Program s30aafe
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9.2 Program Data

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S30AAF Example Program Data
 'C'                : Call = 'C', Put = 'P'
 55.0 0.3 0.1 0.0   : S, SIGMA, R, Q
 3 2                : M, N
58.0
60.0
62.0                : X(I), I = 1,2,...M
0.7
0.8                 : T(I), I = 1,2,...N
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9.3 Program Results

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 S30AAF Example Program Results

 Black-Scholes-Merton formula
 European Call :
  Spot       =   55.0000
  Volatility =    0.3000
  Rate       =    0.1000
  Dividend   =    0.0000

    Strike    Expiry    Option Price
   58.0000    0.7000          5.9198
   58.0000    0.8000          6.5506
   60.0000    0.7000          5.0809
   60.0000    0.8000          5.6992
   62.0000    0.7000          4.3389
   62.0000    0.8000          4.9379
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