

Stochastic algorithms for the approximative pricing of financial derivatives

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Introduction

Consider $T \in (0, \infty)$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and sufficiently regular functions $g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,
 $f: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\mu: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, $\sigma: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$,
 $u: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $u(T, x) = g(x)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u\right)(t, x) + f(t, x, u(t, x), \sigma(t, x)(\nabla_x u)(t, x)) + \langle \mu(t, x), (\nabla_x u)(t, x) \rangle \\ + \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\sigma(t, x) \sigma(t, x)^* (\text{Hess}_x u)(t, x)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for $(t, x) \in [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d$.

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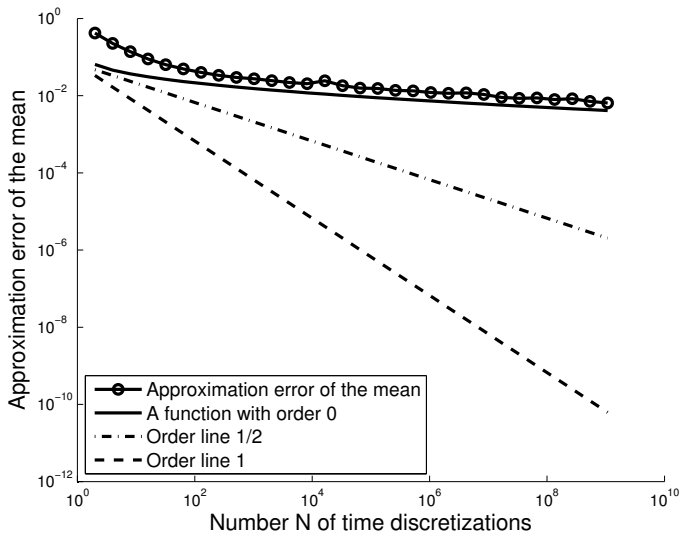
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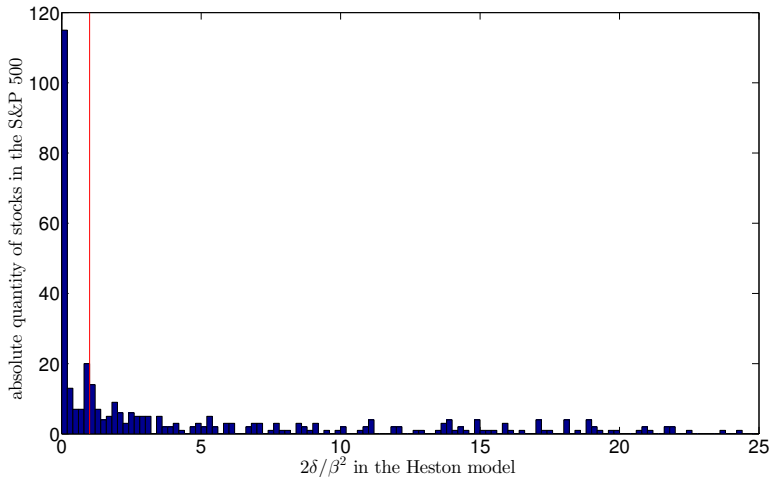
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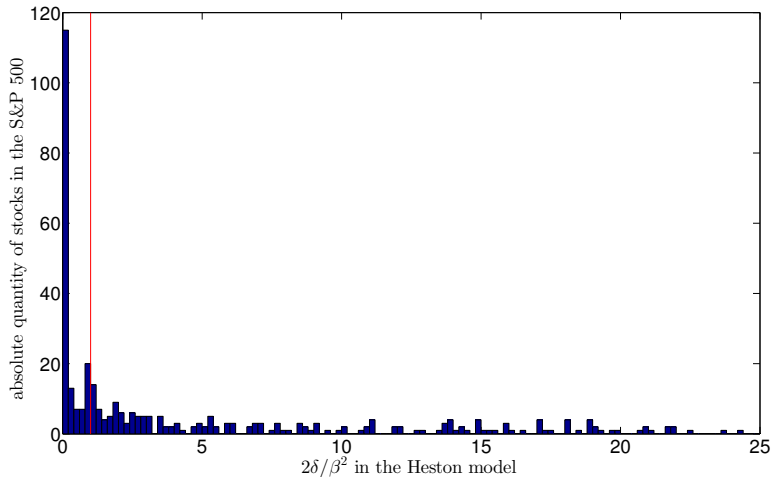
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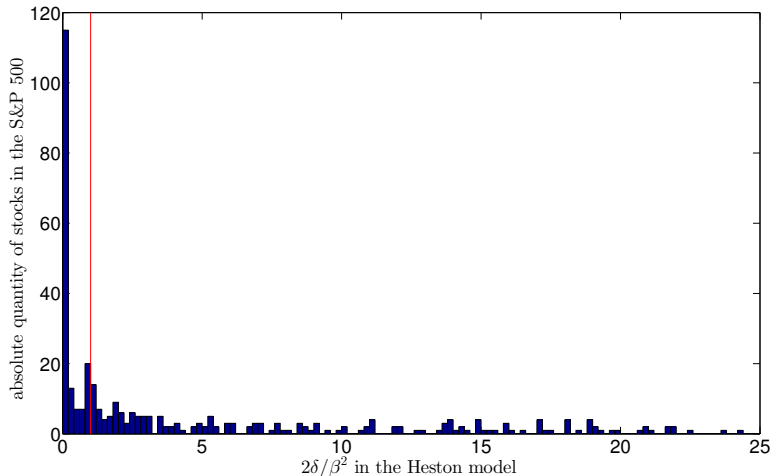


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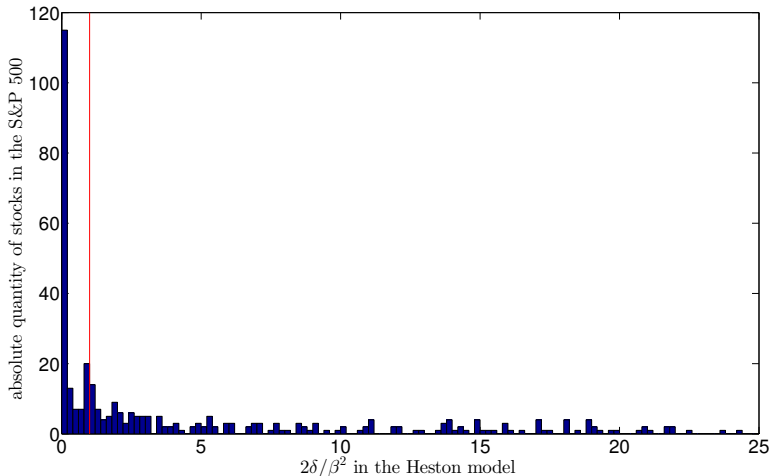
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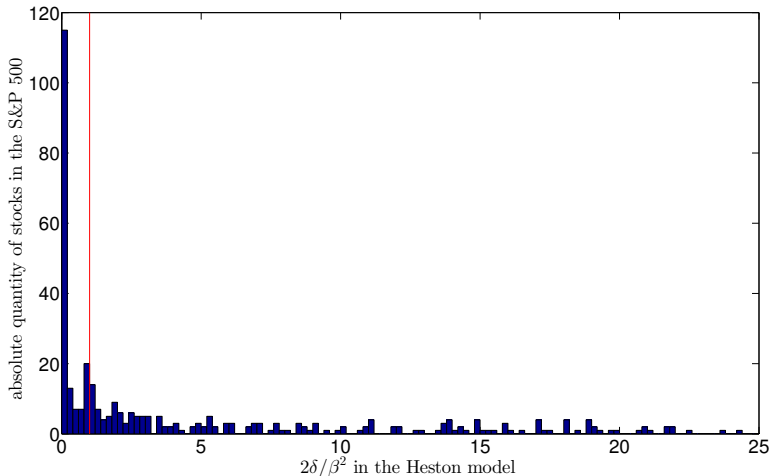
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Allen-Cahn equation

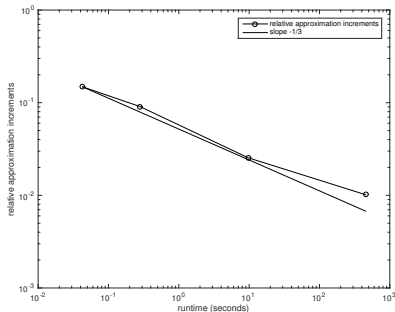
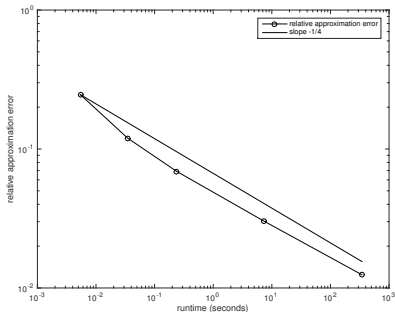


Figure: Relative approximation errors $\frac{1}{10|v|} \sum_{i=1}^{10} |u_{\rho,\rho}^{i,[1]}(0,x_0) - v|$ for $\rho \in \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$ against the average runtime in the case $d = 1$ ($u(0, x_0) \approx v = 0.905$). Right: Relative approximation increments $\left(\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} |u_{\rho+1,\rho+1}^{i,[1]}(0,x_0) - u_{\rho,\rho}^{i,[1]}(0,x_0)| \right) / \left(\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} u_{7,7}^{i,[1]}(0,x_0) \right)$ for $\rho \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ against the average runtime in the case $d = 100$ ($u(0, x_0) \approx 0.317$).

Numerical simulations in MATLAB with an Intel i7 CPU with 2.8 GHz Intel and 16 GB RAM.

Pricing with different interest rates for borrowing and lending

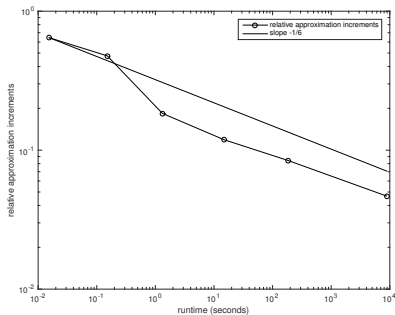
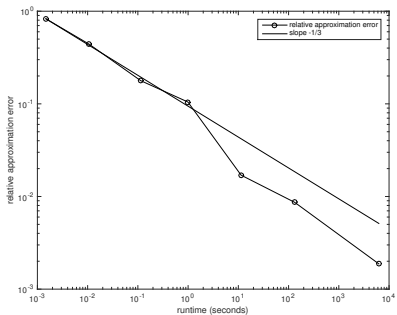


Figure: Relative approximation errors $\frac{1}{10^{|\nu|}} \sum_{i=1}^{10} |\mathbf{u}_{\rho,\rho}^{i,[1]}(0, x_0) - \nu|$ for $\rho \in \{1, 2, \dots, 7\}$ against the average runtime in the case $d = 1$ ($u(0, x_0) \approx \nu = 7.156$). Right: Relative approximation increments $\left(\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} |\mathbf{u}_{\rho+1,\rho+1}^{i,[1]}(0, x_0) - \mathbf{u}_{\rho,\rho}^{i,[1]}(0, x_0)| \right) / \left(\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} |\mathbf{u}_{7,7}^{i,[1]}(0, x_0)| \right)$ for $\rho \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ against the average runtime in the case $d = 100$ ($u(0, x_0) \approx 21.299$).

Runtime needed to compute one realization of $\mathbf{U}_{6,6}^1(0, x_0)$ against dimension $d \in \{5, 6, \dots, 100\}$ for the **pricing with different interest rates** example.

