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Application of the Heath-Platen Estimator in Pricing Barrier and Bond Options

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Abstract: Both barrier options and the Heston stochastic volatility model are omnipresent in real life applications of financial mathematics. Therefore, we apply the Heath-Platen (HP) estimator (as first introduced by Heath and Platen in [1]) to price barrier options in the Heston model setting as an alternative to conventional Monte Carlo methods and PDE based methods. We demonstrate the superior performance of the HP estimator via numerical examples and explain this performance by a detailed look at the underlying theoretical concept of the HP estimator. Furthermore, we show how the concept of the HP estimator can be applied for pricing zero coupon bond options in the stochastic volatility model of Fong-Vasicek.

References

[1] D. Heath and E. Platen. A variance reduction technique based on integral representations. *Quantitative Finance*, 2(5):362–369, 2002.