NAG Library Function Document

nag_heston_price (s30nac)

1 Purpose

nag_heston_price (s30nac) computes the European option price given by Heston’s stochastic volatility model.

2 Specification

```c
#include <nag.h>
#include <nags.h>

void nag_heston_price (Nag_OrderType order, Nag_CallPut option, Integer m,
    Integer n, const double x[], double s, const double t[], double sigmav,
    double kappa, double corr, double var0, double eta, double grisk,
    double r, double q, double p[], NagError *fail)
```

3 Description

nag_heston_price (s30nac) computes the price of a European option using Heston’s stochastic volatility model. The return on the asset price, $S$, is

$$\frac{dS}{S} = (r - q)dt + \sqrt{v_t}dW_t^{(1)}$$

and the instantaneous variance, $v_t$, is defined by a mean-reverting square root stochastic process,

$$dv_t = \kappa(\eta - v_t)dt + \sigma_v\sqrt{v_t}dW_t^{(2)},$$

where $r$ is the risk free annual interest rate; $q$ is the annual dividend rate; $v_t$ is the variance of the asset price; $\sigma_v$ is the volatility of the volatility, $\sqrt{v_t}$; $\kappa$ is the mean reversion rate; $\eta$ is the long term variance.

$dW_t^{(i)}$, for $i = 1, 2$, denotes two correlated standard Brownian motions with

$$\text{Cov}[dW_t^{(1)}, dW_t^{(2)}] = \rho dt.$$

The option price is computed by evaluating the integral transform given by Lewis (2000) using the form of the characteristic function discussed by Albrecher et al. (2007), see also Kilin (2006).

$$P_{\text{call}} = Se^{-qT} - X e^{-rT} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Re} \left[ \int_{0+\sqrt{\varepsilon}}^{\infty+i/2} e^{-i\tilde{X}\tilde{H}(k,v,T)} \frac{k^2 - ik}{k^2} dk \right],$$

(1)

where $\tilde{X} = \ln(S/X) + (r - q)T$ and

$$\tilde{H}(k,v,T) = \exp \left( \frac{2\kappa\eta}{\sigma_v^2} \right) \left[ \text{tgendgroup} - \ln \left( \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha}}{1 - h} \right) \right] + v_g \left[ \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha}}{1 - h} \right],$$

$$g = \frac{1}{2} (b - \xi), \quad h = \frac{b - \xi}{b + \xi}, \quad t = \sigma_v^2 T/2,$$

$$\xi = \left[ b^2 + \frac{4k^2 - ik}{\sigma_v^2} \right]^\frac{1}{4}. $$
\[ b = \frac{2}{\sigma_v^2} \left[ (1 - \gamma + ik) \rho \sigma_v + \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \gamma(1 - \gamma)\sigma_v^2} \right] \]

with \( t = \frac{\sigma^2 T}{2} \). Here \( \gamma \) is the risk aversion parameter of the representative agent with \( 0 \leq \gamma \leq 1 \) and \( \gamma(1 - \gamma)\sigma_v^2 \leq \kappa^2 \). The value \( \gamma = 1 \) corresponds to \( \lambda = 0 \), where \( \lambda \) is the market price of risk in Heston (1993) (see Lewis (2000) and Rouah and Vainberg (2007)).

The price of a put option is obtained by put-call parity.

The option price \( P_{ij} = P(X = X_i, T = T_j) \) is computed for each strike price in a set \( X_i \), \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, m \), and for each expiry time in a set \( T_j \), \( j = 1, 2, \ldots, n \).

4 References


Lewis A L (2000) Option valuation under stochastic volatility Finance Press, USA


5 Arguments

1: \( \text{order} \) – Nag_OrderType \hspace{1cm} \text{Input}

\( \text{On entry: } \) the order argument specifies the two-dimensional storage scheme being used, i.e., row-major ordering or column-major ordering. C language defined storage is specified by \( \text{order} = \text{Nag_RowMajor} \). See Section 3.2.1.3 in the Essential Introduction for a more detailed explanation of the use of this argument.

\( \text{Constraint: } \text{order} = \text{Nag_RowMajor} \) or \( \text{Nag_ColMajor} \).

2: \( \text{option} \) – Nag_CallPut \hspace{1cm} \text{Input}

\( \text{On entry: } \) determines whether the option is a call or a put.

\( \text{option} = \text{Nag_Call} \)

A call; the holder has a right to buy.

\( \text{option} = \text{Nag_Put} \)

A put; the holder has a right to sell.

\( \text{Constraint: } \text{option} = \text{Nag_Call} \) or \( \text{Nag_Put} \).

3: \( \text{m} \) – Integer \hspace{1cm} \text{Input}

\( \text{On entry: } \) the number of strike prices to be used.

\( \text{Constraint: } \text{m} \geq 1 \).

4: \( \text{n} \) – Integer \hspace{1cm} \text{Input}

\( \text{On entry: } \) the number of times to expiry to be used.

\( \text{Constraint: } \text{n} \geq 1 \).
5: \( x[m] \) – const double

*Input*

*On entry:* \( x[i - 1] \) must contain \( X_i \), the \( i \)th strike price, for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, m \).

*Constraint:* \( x[i - 1] \geq z \) and \( x[i - 1] \leq 1/z \), where \( z = \text{nag\_real\_safe\_small\_number} \), the safe range parameter, for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, m \).

6: \( s \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* \( S \), the price of the underlying asset.

*Constraint:* \( s \geq z \) and \( s \leq 1.0/z \), where \( z = \text{nag\_real\_safe\_small\_number} \), the safe range parameter.

7: \( t[n] \) – const double

*Input*

*On entry:* \( t[i - 1] \) must contain \( T_i \), the \( i \)th time, in years, to expiry, for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \).

*Constraint:* \( t[i - 1] \geq z \), where \( z = \text{nag\_real\_safe\_small\_number} \), the safe range parameter, for \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \).

8: \( \text{sigmav} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* the volatility, \( \sigma_v \), of the volatility process, \( \sqrt{\nu} \). Note that a rate of 20% should be entered as 0.2.

*Constraint:* \( \text{sigmav} > 0.0 \).

9: \( \text{kappa} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* \( \kappa \), the long term mean reversion rate of the volatility.

*Constraint:* \( \text{kappa} > 0.0 \).

10: \( \text{corr} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* the correlation between the two standard Brownian motions for the asset price and the volatility.

*Constraint:* \( -1.0 \leq \text{corr} \leq 1.0 \).

11: \( \text{var0} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* the initial value of the variance, \( \nu_0 \), of the asset price.

*Constraint:* \( \text{var0} \geq 0.0 \).

12: \( \text{eta} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* \( \eta \), the long term mean of the variance of the asset price.

*Constraint:* \( \text{eta} > 0.0 \).

13: \( \text{grisk} \) – double

*Input*

*On entry:* the risk aversion parameter, \( \gamma \), of the representative agent.

*Constraint:* \( 0.0 \leq \text{grisk} \leq 1.0 \) and \( \text{grisk} \times (1.0 - \text{grisk}) \times \text{sigmav} \times \text{sigmav} \leq \text{kappa} \times \text{kappa} \).

14: \( r \) – double

*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:* \( r \geq 0.0 \).
15: \( q \) – double  
Input

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

*Constraint:* \( q \geq 0.0 \).

16: \( p[m \times n] \) – double  
Output

*Note:* where \( P(i,j) \) appears in this document, it refers to the array element

\[
p[(j - 1) \times m + i - 1] \quad \text{when order = Nag_ColMajor;}
\]

\[
p[(i - 1) \times n + j - 1] \quad \text{when order = Nag_RowMajor.}
\]

*On exit:* \( P(i,j) \) contains \( P_{ij} \), the option price evaluated for the strike price \( x_i \) at expiry \( t_j \) for

\( i = 1,2,\ldots,m \) and \( j = 1,2,\ldots,n \).

17: \( \text{fail} \) – NagError *
Input/Output

The NAG error argument (see Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction).

6  Error Indicators and Warnings

**NE_ACCURACY**

Solution cannot be computed accurately. Check values of input arguments.

**NE_ALLOC_FAIL**

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

See Section 3.2.1.2 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

**NE_BAD_PARAM**

On entry, argument \( \langle \text{value} \rangle \) had an illegal value.

**NE_CONVERGENCE**

Quadrature has not converged to the specified accuracy. However, the result should be a reasonable approximation.

**NE_INT**

On entry, \( m = \langle \text{value} \rangle \).

*Constraint:* \( m \geq 1 \).

On entry, \( n = \langle \text{value} \rangle \).

*Constraint:* \( n \geq 1 \).

**NE_INTERNAL_ERROR**

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please contact NAG for assistance.

An unexpected error has been triggered by this function. Please contact NAG.

See Section 3.6.6 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

**NE_NO_LICENCE**

Your licence key may have expired or may not have been installed correctly.

See Section 3.6.5 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

**NE_REAL**

On entry, \( \text{corr} = \langle \text{value} \rangle \).

*Constraint:* \( |\text{corr}| \leq 1.0 \).

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On entry, $\eta = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $\eta > 0.0$.

On entry, $\text{grisk} = \langle \text{value} \rangle$, $\text{sigmav} = \langle \text{value} \rangle$ and $\kappa = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $0.0 \leq \text{grisk} \leq 1.0$ and $\text{grisk} \times (1.0 - \text{grisk}) \times \text{sigmav}^2 \leq \kappa^2$.

On entry, $\kappa = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $\kappa > 0.0$.

On entry, $q = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $q \geq 0.0$.

On entry, $r = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $r \geq 0.0$.

On entry, $s = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $s \geq \langle \text{value} \rangle$ and $s \leq \langle \text{value} \rangle$.

On entry, $\text{sigmav} = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $\text{sigmav} > 0.0$.

On entry, $\text{var0} = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $\text{var0} \geq 0.0$.

**NE_REAL_ARRAY**

On entry, $t[\langle \text{value} \rangle] = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $t[i - 1] \geq \langle \text{value} \rangle$.

On entry, $x[\langle \text{value} \rangle] = \langle \text{value} \rangle$.
Constraint: $x[i - 1] \geq \langle \text{value} \rangle$ and $x[i - 1] \leq \langle \text{value} \rangle$.

7 **Accuracy**

The accuracy of the output is determined by the accuracy of the numerical quadrature used to evaluate the integral in (1). An adaptive method is used which evaluates the integral to within a tolerance of $\max(10^{-8}, 10^{-10} \times |I|)$, where $|I|$ is the absolute value of the integral.

8 **Parallelism and Performance**

nag_heston_price (s30nac) is threaded by NAG for parallel execution in multithreaded implementations of the NAG Library.

Please consult the X06 Chapter Introduction for information on how to control and interrogate the OpenMP environment used within this function. Please also consult the Users’ Note for your implementation for any additional implementation-specific information.

9 **Further Comments**

None.

10 **Example**

This example computes the price of a European call using Heston’s stochastic volatility model. The time to expiry is 6 months, the stock price is 100 and the strike price is 100. The risk-free interest rate is 5\% per year, the volatility of the variance, $\sigma_v$, is 22.5\% per year, the mean reversion parameter, $\kappa$, is 2.0, the long term mean of the variance, $\eta$, is 0.01 and the correlation between the volatility process and the stock price process, $\rho$, is 0.0. The risk aversion parameter, $\gamma$, is 1.0 and the initial value of the variance, $\text{var0}$, is 0.01.
10.1 Program Text

/* nag_heston_price (s30nac) Example Program. */
* Copyright 2014 Numerical Algorithms Group.
* Mark 9, 2009. */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nags.h>

int main(void)
{
    /* Integer scalar and array declarations */
    Integer exit_status = 0;
    Integer i, j, m, n;
    NagError fail;
    Nag_CallPut putnum;
    /* Double scalar and array declarations */
    double corr, eta, gamma, kappa, q, r, s, sigmav, var0;
    double *p = 0, *t = 0, *x = 0;
    /* Character scalar and array declarations */
    char put[8+1];
    Nag_OrderType order;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    printf("nag_heston_price (s30nac) Example Program Results\n");
    printf("Heston's Stochastic volatility Model\n\n");
    /* Skip heading in data file */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%*[\n] ");
    #else
        scanf("%*[\n] ");
    #endif
    /* Read put */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%8s%*[\n] ", put, _countof(put));
    #else
        scanf("%8s%*[\n] ", put);
    #endif
    /* nag_enum_name_to_value (x04nac). */
    * Converts NAG enum member name to value */
    putnum = (Nag_CallPut) nag_enum_name_to_value(put);
    /* Read s, r, q */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%lf%lf%lf%*[\n] ", &s, &r, &q);
    #else
        scanf("%lf%lf%lf%*[\n] ", &s, &r, &q);
    #endif
    /* Read kappa,eta,var0,sigmav,corr,gamma */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%lf%lf%lf%*[\n] ", &kappa, &eta, &var0, &sigmav, &corr, &gamma);
    #else
        scanf("%lf%lf%lf%*[\n] ", &kappa, &eta, &var0, &sigmav, &corr, &gamma);
    #endif
    /* Read m, n */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%NAG_IFMT%NAG_IFMT%*[\n] ", &m, &n);
    #else
        scanf("%NAG_IFMT%NAG_IFMT%*[\n] ", &m, &n);
    #endif
    #ifdef NAG_COLUMN_MAJOR
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#define P(I, J) p[(J-1)*m + I-1]

order = Nag_ColMajor;
#else
#define P(I, J) p[(I-1)*n + J-1]

order = Nag_RowMajor;
#endif

if (!(p = NAG_ALLOC(m*n, double)) ||
    !(t = NAG_ALLOC(n, double)) ||
    !(x = NAG_ALLOC(m, double)))
{
    printf("Allocation failure\n");
    exit_status = -1;
    goto END;
}
/* Read array of strike/exercise prices, X */
for (i = 0; i < m; i++)
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf ", &x[i]);
#else
    scanf("%lf ", &x[i]);
#endif
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%*[^
] ");
#else
    scanf("%*[\n] ");
#endif
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf ", &t[i]);
#else
    scanf("%lf ", &t[i]);
#endif
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%*[\n] ");
#else
    scanf("%*[\n] ");
#endif

/* nag_heston_price (s30nac) */
/* Heston's model option pricing formula */

nag_heston_price(order, putnum, m, n, x, s, t, sigmav, kappa, corr,
    var0, eta, gamma, r, q, p, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
    printf("Error from nag_heston_price (s30nac).\n%s\n", fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}
if (putnum == Nag_Call)
    printf("European Call :");
else if (putnum == Nag_Put)
    printf("European Put :");
printf("%s\n", "Spot = ", s);
printf("%s\n", "Volatility of vol = ", sigmav);
printf("%s\n", "Mean reversion = ", kappa);
printf("%s\n", "Correlation = ", corr);
printf("%s\n", "Variance = ", var0);
printf("%s\n", "Mean of variance = ", eta);
printf("%s\n", "Risk aversion = ", gamma);
printf("%s\n", "Rate = ", r);
printf("%s\n", "Dividend = ", q);

for (i = 1; i <= m; i++)
    for (j = 1; j <= n; j++)
        printf("%9.4f %9.4f %11.4f\n", x[i-1], t[j-1], P(i, j));

END:
NAG_FREE(p);
return exit_status;
}

10.2 Program Data

nag_heston_price (s30nac) Example Program Data
Nag_Call : Nag_Call or Nag_Put
100.0 0.05 0.0 : s, r, q
2.0 0.01 0.01 0.225 0.0 1.0 : kappa, eta, var0, sigmav, corr, grisk
1 1 : m, n
100.0 : X(I), I = 1,2,...n
0.5 : T(I), I = 1,2,...m

10.3 Program Results

nag_heston_price (s30nac) Example Program Results
Heston’s Stochastic volatility Model

European Call :

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