

Finance in Conti Time.

(1) Geometric BM:

Consider $X_t = X_0 e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma B_t}$. By Itô's:
(B_t is s.d.m.)

$$dX_t = X_t (\mu dt + \sigma dB_t)$$

We call such X_t by geometric BM.

Remark: $\log X_t$ is normally distributed.

Bachelier first used BM to model the price development in economics. But it's inadequate:

i) it can be negative

ii) one should think in term "return" rather than "price".

But we can use the geometric one:

$$dX_t / X_t = \mu dt + \sigma dB_t.$$

i) $dX_t / X_t = (X_{t+dt} - X_t) / X_t$. the gain per unit of value in stock. i.e. return.

ii) μdt deterministic term. is the riskless investment in bank with interest rate μ .

iii) σdB_t the random term models uncertainty in market.

Return intervals:

i) Long (Macroscopic): invest in time-scale of month/year. So the price-change is the sum of price-change over days and these are indep. By CLT \Rightarrow normal dist.

ii) Intermediate (Mesoscopic): in scale of day. It has fatter tail so normality won't come in. The model we use is hyperbolic dist.

iii) Short (Microscopic): High-frequency data is available nowadays from Internet. So the tail is much fatter if we consider the interval of order of seconds.

(c) Black-Scholes Model:

Consider: $P_t = r_t B_t A_t$ models the riskless invest in bank with interest rate r_t . $\Rightarrow B_t = B_0 e^{\int_0^t r_s ds}$

and: $A S_t = \mu S_t A_t + \sigma S_t A W_t$. models the risky invest in stock. it's GBM-like. (W_t is SBM)

Lemma: $S_t = S_0 e^{\int_0^t r_s ds - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \sigma^2 ds + \int_0^t \mu S_s ds}$.

Pf. By Itô's formula.

Set $\tilde{S}_t = S_t/B_t$ the discounted stock price.

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{A} \tilde{S}_t = \tilde{S}_t (r_t - r) \Delta t + \sigma \tilde{S}_t \mathbb{A} W_t.$$

$$\stackrel{\mathbb{A}}{=} \sigma \tilde{S}_t (\theta_t \Delta t + \mathbb{A} W_t) \quad \theta_t = \frac{r_t - r}{r}.$$

Apply Girsanov Thm. we can find the risk

neutral p.m. $\mathbb{A} P^* = e^{-\int_0^t \theta_s \mathbb{A} W_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \theta_s^2 \mathbb{A} s} \mathbb{A} P.$

which shift: $\theta_t \mapsto 0$.

Thm. (Risk-neutral Valuation Formula)

The no-arbitrage price of claim $h(S_T)$ is

$$F(t, x) = \mathbb{E}_{t,x}^* \left(\frac{B_t}{B_T} h(S_T) \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right), \quad S_t = x.$$

Besides, under $\mathbb{A} P^*$, $\mathbb{A} S_t = r_t S_t \Delta t + \sigma S_t \mathbb{A} W_t$.

Pf. $\mathbb{A} \tilde{V}_t = \mathbb{A} h(S_t) = \mathbb{A} h_t \cdot \sigma S_t \mathbb{A} W_t$ under $\mathbb{A} P^*$.

where $\mathbb{A} h_t$ is perfect hedging of h .

$\Rightarrow \tilde{V}_t$ is $\mathbb{A} P^*$ -mart. as before.

Thm. (Const. BS Formula)

The value of European call option with the striking price K and expire time T at $t=t$

$$\text{is } C(t, S_t, K, T) = S_t \Phi(z) - \frac{KB_t}{B_T} \Phi(z - \sigma \sqrt{T-t})$$

where $z = (\ln(S_t/K) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 (T-t) + \int_t^T r_s) / \sigma \sqrt{T-t}$

Pf: By Thm above, wlog. set $t=0$. $S_0 =$

$$C(0, S_0, K, T) = E^Q [(S_T - K/B_T)_+]$$

$$\widetilde{S}_T \sim S_0 e^{r_0 T} - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 T + \sigma \sqrt{T} Z \quad Z \sim N(0,1)$$

① BS PDE:

Apply Itô's formula on $B_t^{-1} C(t, S_t)$. (Note $C(t, X) \in C^{2,1}$).

$$\Rightarrow B_t \wedge (B_t^{-1} C(t, S_t))$$

$$= \partial_x C(t, S_t) \sigma S_t \wedge W_t + C \partial_x C(t, S_t) r_t \wedge S_t + \frac{\sigma^2 S_t^2}{2} \partial_{xx} C(t, S_t) + \partial_t C(t, S_t) - r_t C(t, S_t) \wedge t$$

Since $\widetilde{F}(t, S_t) = C(t, S_t) / B_t$ is \mathbb{P}^Q -mart.

$$S_t: -r_t C(t, X) + \partial_t C(t, X) + r_t X \partial_x C(t, X) + \frac{\sigma^2 X^2}{2} \partial_{xx} C(t, X) = 0$$

with boundary cond.: $C(T, X) = (X - K)_+$.

Remark: For general contingent claim $F(S_T)$.

We can change the boundary condition:

$$C(T, X) = F(X).$$

② Verification:

$$i) \text{ By BS-PDE: } \wedge C(t, S_t) = \left(- \frac{S_t \partial_x C(t, S_t)}{B_t} + \frac{C(t, S_t)}{B_t} \right) \wedge B_t + \partial_x C(t, S_t) \wedge S_t.$$

Thm $\forall t \leq T, M_t^0 = \partial_x (C(t, S_t))$.

$$M_t = (-S_t \partial_x (C(t, S_t)) + (C(t, S_t))) / B_t$$

is the perfect hedging for the call option

pf: easy to see M is SF.

ii) For $h \in \mathcal{G}_T, h \in L^2(\mathcal{P})$. If M is hedging:

$$\tilde{V}_t = M_t + M_t \tilde{S}_t = \mathbb{E}^* \left((B_T)^{-1} h \mid \mathcal{G}_t \right) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} M_t.$$

By mart. representation: $M_t = M_0 + \int_0^t k_s dW_s$.

with Itô - Clark formula, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} k_s &= (B_T)^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(\partial_x h \mid \mathcal{G}_s \right) \\ &= (B_T)^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(h'(S_T) \sigma_{S_T} \mid \mathcal{G}_s \right) \quad \text{if } h = h(S_T). \end{aligned}$$

Since $S_T = e^{(r - \sigma^2/2)T + \sigma W_T}$ is const.

$$\text{Set } \begin{cases} M_t = B_t k_t / \sigma S_t & \text{the hedging.} \\ M_t^0 = M_t - M_t \tilde{S}_t. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda M_t = \frac{k_t}{\sigma S_t} \cdot \sigma \tilde{S}_t dW_t = M_t \lambda \tilde{S}_t \quad \text{under } \mathbb{P}^*.$$

(3) Barrier Option:

Def. The Barrier option with expire time T and payoff function $\eta = I_{\left[\max_{0 \leq t \leq T} S_t \geq K \right]}$.

Consider model:
$$\begin{cases} B_t = B_0 e^{rt} & \text{deterministic} \\ S_t = S_0 e^{(r - \sigma^2/2)t + \sigma W_t} \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow The arbitrage value of Barrier option is:

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 &= e^{-rT} \mathbb{P}_0(\max_{(0,T)} S_t \geq k) \\ &= e^{-rT} \mathbb{P}_0(\max_{(0,T)} (W_t + (\bar{r} - \frac{\sigma}{2})t) \geq \tau) \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{r} = r/\sigma$, $\tau = (\log k)/\sigma$.

Recall: Set $\theta = -(\bar{r} - \frac{\sigma}{2})$. under $\mathbb{P}_\theta = e^{\theta W_t - \frac{\theta^2}{2}t}$ \mathbb{P}_0 . $\tilde{W}_t = W_t + (\bar{r} - \frac{\sigma}{2})t$ has

same law as W_t under \mathbb{P}_0 .

$$\begin{aligned} S_0: \mathbb{P}_0(\max_{(0,T)} S_t \geq k) &= e^{\frac{1}{2}(\sigma^2 - 2\sigma\theta + \theta^2)T} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_\theta} (e^{-\theta \tilde{W}(T)} \mathbb{I}_{\{\max_{(0,T)} \tilde{W}_t \geq \tau\}}) \\ &= e^{\theta^2 T} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_0} (e^{-\theta W(T)} \mathbb{I}_{\{\max_{(0,T)} W_t \geq \tau\}}) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Apply Reflection principle, we can obtain V_0 .

Rmk: For Kockin's option (put) with payoff

$$\text{at } T: (K - S_T)^+ \mathbb{I}_{\{\max_{(0,T)} S_t \geq H\}}, \quad H > k.$$

We can also find $V_0(k)$ as above.

(4) American put option in $[0, \infty]$:

Recall we use snell envelop to solve it on finite time-horizon. Next, we consider it on $[0, \infty]$.

Consider under P^* : $dX_t = rX_t dt + \sigma X_t dW_t$.

For stopping time τ , solve: $V(x) = \sup_{\tau} \mathbb{E}_x [e^{-r\tau} (k - X_\tau)^+]$.

which is the value of option.

Denote $L_x = rx dx + \frac{\sigma^2 x^2}{2} d^2 x$, generator of X .

Set $\tau_b = \inf \{t \geq 0 \mid X_t \leq b\}$, $b < k$.

RMK: We will stop at τ_b . Since the closer X to 0, we're less likely to profit.

It converts to solve:

$$L_x V = rV, \text{ for } x > b; \quad V(b) = (k-b)^+ \text{ (b.c.)}$$

$$V'(x) = -1 \text{ for } x = b. \text{ (smooth fit)}$$

$$\text{Besides, } V(x) = (k-x)^+, \quad \forall x > b;$$

$$V(x) = (k-x)^+, \quad \forall x < b.$$

$$\text{Set } \lambda = \sigma^2/2. \Rightarrow \text{solve: } \lambda x^2 V'' + rxV' - rV = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{We have } V(x) = c_1 x + c_2 x^{-r/\lambda}. \text{ (c.c. const.)}$$

$$\text{But } V \text{ is bdd } \Rightarrow V(x) = c x^{-r/\lambda}.$$

$$\text{with } V'(b) = -1. \text{ We have } c = \frac{\lambda}{r} \left(\frac{k}{1+r/\lambda} \right)^{1+r/\lambda}.$$

$$\text{So: } V(x) = \begin{cases} k-x & x \leq b \\ \frac{\lambda}{r} \left(\frac{k}{1+r/\lambda} \right)^{1+r/\lambda} x^{-r/\lambda} & x > b. \end{cases}$$

RMK: It's applicable in real option, which concerns with the business - decision making.