

Foreign Exchange.

The market for derivative securities whose payoff depend on exchange rate exist, because there's uncertainty about future rate of exchange between diff. currencies.

consider Y_t is rate of exchange from pounds to dollar. at time t . (i.e. Y_t pounds \leftrightarrow 1 dollar)

A_t, B_t are share prices of US dollar and

British pounds [resp.]. So,
$$\begin{cases} \lambda A_t = r_A(t) A_t \lambda t & r_A, r_B \text{ are} \\ \lambda B_t = r_B(t) B_t \lambda t & \text{interest} \\ A_0 = B_0 = 1. & \text{rate.} \end{cases}$$

prop. If Q_B is risk-neutral p.m. for pound investors. Y_t solves: $dY_t = M_t Y_t dt + \sigma_t Y_t dW_t$

under Q_B . where W_t is SBM. Then:

$$M_t = r_B(t) - r_A(t).$$

$$S_0: Y_t = Y_0 e^{\int_0^t (r_B(s) - r_A(s) - \frac{\sigma_s^2}{2}) ds + \int_0^t \sigma_s dW_s}$$

Pf. Discounted value for British pound.

$$is = A_t Y_t / B_t = Y_0 e^{\int_0^t (r_A - r_B + M) ds}$$

$$M_t = e^{\int_0^t \sigma_s dW_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \sigma_s^2 ds} =: M_t - f(t)$$

is mart. $\Rightarrow f(t) \equiv \text{const.}$

Lemma For $\mathbb{Q}_A, \mathbb{Q}_B$ are risk-neutral prob. measures for dollar and pound investors. Then:

$$\mathbb{Q}_A \sim \mathbb{Q}_B \text{ and } \frac{L_{BA}}{L_{AB}} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_T} = e^{\int_0^T \sigma_t \lambda_t dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \sigma_t^2 dt}$$

Pf: For claim with value V_t at time t in dollars. $\Rightarrow U_t = V_t Y_t$ is its value in pound.

$$\text{Since } \begin{cases} U_0 = B_T^{-1} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_B}(U_T) \\ V_0 = A_T^{-1} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_A}(V_T) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_A(V_T) = \mathbb{E}_B(V_T) \cdot \frac{Y_T}{Y_0} e^{\int_0^T (r_A - r_B) dt}$$

prop. Under condition above. If Y_t solves SDE:

$$\lambda Y_t = \mu_t Y_t \lambda_t + \sigma_t Y_t \lambda W_t \text{ under } \mathbb{Q}_A. \text{ Then:}$$

$$\mu_t = (r_B(t) - r_A(t)) + \sigma_t^2$$

$$\text{Pf: } Y_t = Y_0 e^{\int_0^t (r_B - r_A + \sigma_t^2/2) dt + \int_0^t \sigma_t \tilde{W}_t}$$

$$\text{under } \mathbb{Q}_A. \tilde{W}_t = W_t - \int_0^t \sigma_t \sim W_t \text{ under } \mathbb{Q}_B.$$

by change of measure. in Lem. above.

Remark: Under diff. risk-neutral p.m. The drift coefficient μ won't agree. which depends on exchange rates.

It seems paradoxical. Two Q.A.O. aren't the real p.m. for actual model. They only work when we calculate the arbitrage price.

consider the option (call) that gives the owner right to exchange 1 dollar to K pounds at expire time T .

Denote: V_t is value in dollar at time $= t$ for the option.

know: $V_T = (K/Y_T - 1)^+$

$$\Rightarrow V_0 = e^{-\int_0^T r_A(t) dt} \mathbb{E}_A \left[K Y_0 e^{-\int_0^T (r_A - r_B + \sigma^2/2) dt - \sigma W_t} - 1 \right]^+$$

is the arbitrage price in dollar.