

risk neutral probability

$$q = \frac{S_+ - S_0 e^{rT}}{S_+ - S_-}$$

$$V_0 = e^{-rT} [qV_- + (1-q)V_+]$$

$$t \rightarrow t+\Delta t$$

$$t_i \rightarrow t_{i+1}$$

if let

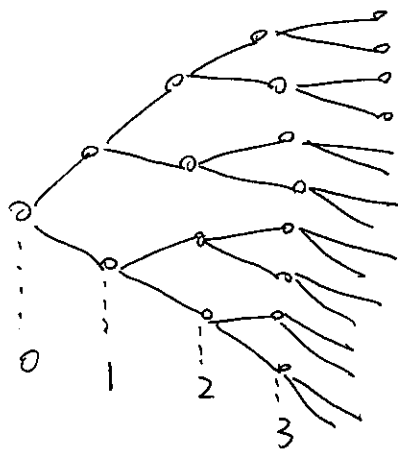
$$\tilde{V}^j = \frac{V^j}{e^{rt_j}}$$

$$V^i = e^{-r(t_{i+1}-t_i)} [qV_-^{i+1} + (1-q)V_+^{i+1}]$$

$$\frac{V^i}{e^{rt_i}} = q \frac{V_-^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}} + (1-q) \frac{V_+^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}}$$

then $\tilde{V}^i = q \tilde{V}_-^{i+1} + (1-q) \tilde{V}_+^{i+1}$

$$\tilde{V}^i = E[\tilde{V}^j, j > i | \mathcal{F}_i] \quad \mathcal{F}_i \text{ Filtration}$$



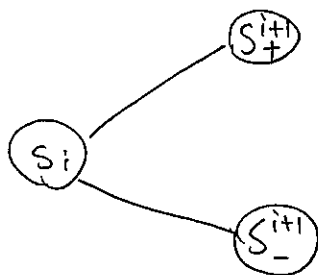
which is also the definition of martingale for a random process.

$$M_s = E_q[M_t | \mathcal{F}_s], \quad s \leq t$$

Is option price a martingale?

No, discounted option price is a martingale.

- The discounted wealth should be martingale for eliminating arbitrage opportunities.



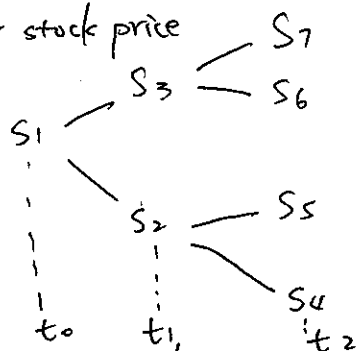
$$\frac{S_i}{e^{rt_i}} = q \frac{S_+^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}} + (1-q) \frac{S_-^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \frac{\frac{S_+^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}} - \frac{S_i}{e^{rt_i}}}{\frac{S_+^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}} - \frac{S_-^{i+1}}{e^{rt_{i+1}}}}$$

$$= \frac{S_+^{i+1} - e^{r(t_{i+1}-t_i)} S_i}{S_+^{i+1} - S_-^{i+1}}$$

Steps for solving problems (call, put options)

① tree for stock price



② discount stock price

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_1 &= \frac{S_1}{e^{rt_0}} \\ \tilde{S}_3 &= \frac{S_3}{e^{rt_1}} \quad \begin{aligned} &\xrightarrow{1-q_3} \tilde{S}_4 = \frac{S_4}{e^{rt_2}} \\ &\xrightarrow{q_3} \tilde{S}_5 = \frac{S_5}{e^{rt_2}} \end{aligned} \\ \tilde{S}_2 &= \frac{S_2}{e^{rt_1}} \quad \begin{aligned} &\xrightarrow{1-q_2} \tilde{S}_6 = \frac{S_6}{e^{rt_2}} \\ &\xrightarrow{q_2} \tilde{S}_7 = \frac{S_7}{e^{rt_2}} \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

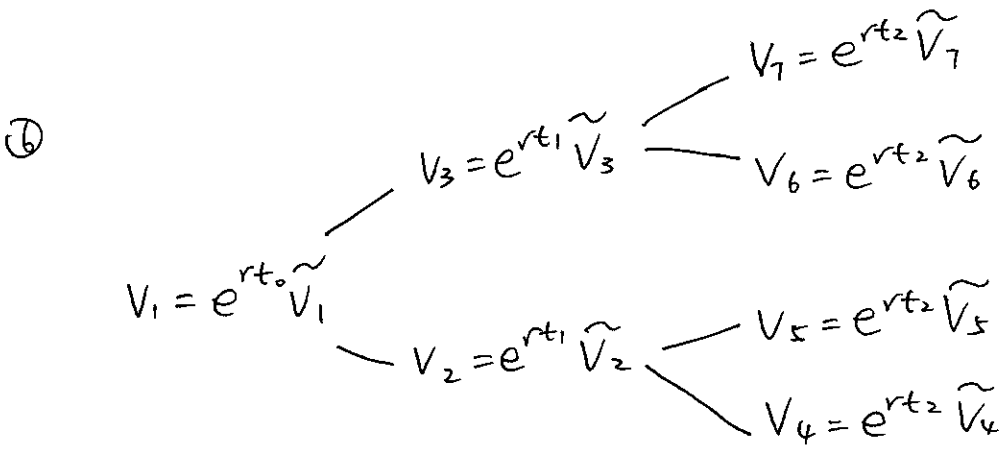
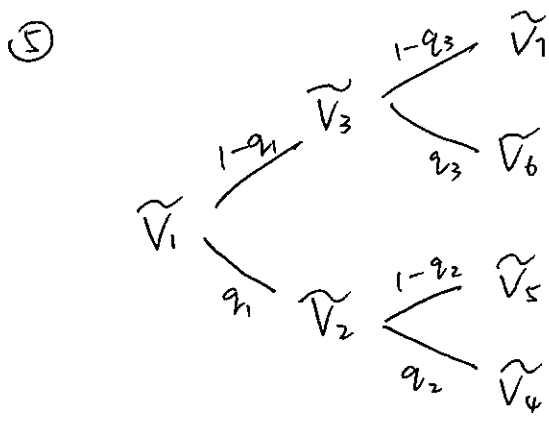
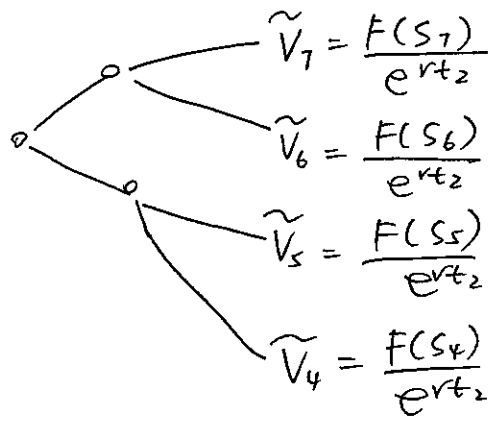
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$$q_1 = \frac{\tilde{S}_3 - \tilde{S}_1}{\tilde{S}_3 - \tilde{S}_2}$$

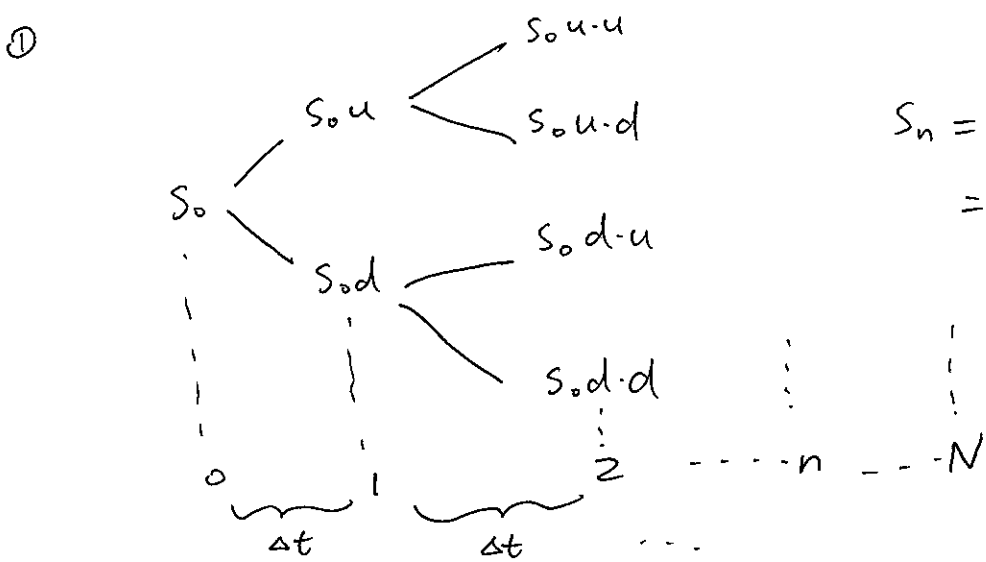
$$q_2 = \frac{\tilde{S}_5 - \tilde{S}_2}{\tilde{S}_5 - \tilde{S}_4}$$

$$q_3 = \frac{\tilde{S}_7 - \tilde{S}_3}{\tilde{S}_7 - \tilde{S}_6}$$

④ $F(s) = \begin{cases} \max\{s-k, 0\} & \text{for call} \\ \max\{k-s, 0\} & \text{for put} \end{cases}$



We consider a special case:



$$S_n = S_0 \cdot X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$$

$$= S_0 d^i u^{n-i}$$

where $X_j = \begin{cases} u \\ d \end{cases}$

assume $u \cdot d = 1$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \tilde{S}_n = e^{-rn\Delta t} \cdot S_0 d^i u^{n-i}$$

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$$\textcircled{3} \quad \begin{array}{l} \tilde{S}_n^i \begin{cases} \xrightarrow{1-q_n^i} \tilde{S}_n^i \cdot u \cdot e^{-r\Delta t} \\ \xrightarrow{q_n^i} \tilde{S}_n^i \cdot d \cdot e^{-r\Delta t} \end{cases} \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{S}_n^i = (1-q_n^i) \tilde{S}_n^i u e^{-r\Delta t} + q_n^i \tilde{S}_n^i d e^{-r\Delta t}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_n^i = \frac{u - e^{r\Delta t}}{u - d}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad F(S_N^i) = \max \{ S_N^i - k, 0 \} \text{ for call}$$

$$= \max \{ S_0 d^i u^{N-i} - k, 0 \}$$

$$\tilde{F}(S_N^i) = \max \{ S_0 d^i u^{N-i} - k, 0 \} \cdot e^{-rN\Delta t}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \tilde{V}_0 = \sum_{i=0}^N \frac{N!}{i!(N-i)!} q^i (1-q)^{N-i} \cdot \tilde{F}(S_N^i)$$

$$\tilde{V}_k = E[\tilde{V}_N | \mathcal{F}_k]$$

$$= E[F(S_N^i) e^{-rN\Delta t} | \mathcal{F}_k]$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(N-k)!}{i!(N-k-i)!} q^i (1-q)^{N-k-i} F(S_N^i) \cdot e^{-rN\Delta t}$$

$$\text{face value} \quad V_k = e^{rk\Delta t} \tilde{V}_k$$

$$= e^{-r(N-k)\Delta t} \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(N-k)!}{i!(N-k-i)!} q^i (1-q)^{N-k-i} F(S_N^i)$$