

8.10 Valuing a Derivative Using a One-Period Binomial Model

Question 1

An assumption of the binomial option pricing model is *most likely*:

- A. the underlying can take on any value at the end of the period.
- B. an option and its underlying can be used to create a hedged portfolio.
- C. the actual probabilities of movements in the underlying are required by the model.

Question 2

An analyst is using a one-period binomial model to value a European call option on a stock. The option payoff at the end of the period if the stock price goes up is *most likely* determined by:

- A. the up value of the stock minus the strike price.
- B. the strike price minus the down value of the stock.
- C. the expected value of the call's payoffs using risk-neutral probabilities.

Question 3

The current value of an option determined using a one-period binomial model is *best* described as its values in one period weighted by the:

- A. risk-neutral up and down probabilities.
- B. probabilities of up and down moves discounted by the risk-free rate.
- C. risk-neutral up and down probabilities discounted by the risk-free rate.

Question 4

A one-period binomial pricing model is used to value a European call option on a stock.

According to the model, the risk-neutral probabilities are those for which the expected return on a call is *most likely*:

- A. zero.
- B. the risk-free rate.
- C. greater than the risk-free rate

Question 5

Which of the following assumptions is *least likely* to be valid when pricing options using the binomial pricing model?

- A. Option prices are premised on investors being risk averse.
- B. Actual probability of the underlying's up and down moves is unknown.
- C. Volatility of the underlying determines the underlying's up and down moves.