Convertible Bond Valuation

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A convertible bond is a corporate debt security that gives the holder the right to exchange future coupon payments and principal repayment for a prescribed number of shares of equity. Thus, it has both an equity part and a fixed-income part. Beside, it may contain some additional features, such as callability and puttability. The analytical solutions for convertible bond are not available and the accurate numerical or simulation methods are also difficult since some features require N out of M days above trigger prices. This feature leads the problem to be path-dependent and the numerical or simulation methods to be high dimensions, which will cost a long time.

In this document, we use a one-touch model to approximate the N out of M features, we replace original trigger price B_c and B_p by an equivalent trigger price B_c^* and B_p^* . Then we use finite difference method to solve the related PDE under Black-Scholes assumptions.

1 PDE Representation

The finite difference method documented here is mainly based on [1] and [2].

Under the real world measure, the underlying price S_t is assumed to follow a stochastic process

$$dS_t = \mu S_t d_t + \sigma S_t dB_t, \tag{1}$$

where μ is the drift rate, σ is the volatility of the underlying price and B_t is the standard Brownian motion.

We assume that a convertible bond has the following contractual features:

- A continuous (time-dependent) put provision with an exercise price of B_p , during the put-allowed period, if the stock price is below B_p at least N days in the last M days, the holder can sell the bond for price B_p .
- A continuous (time-dependent) conversion provision. During the convertible-allowed period, the bond can be converted to $\kappa(t)$ shares.
- A continuous (time-dependent) call provision. During the convertible-allowed period, if the stock price is above the trigger at least N days in the last M days, the issuer can call the bond for price $B_c > B_p$. However, the holder can convert the bond if it is called.

Besides, Let S^+ be the stock price immediately after default, and S^- be the stock price right before default. We will assume that

$$S^+ = S^-(1-\eta),$$

and p is the default rate, 0 < R < 1 is the recovery factor. According to risk neutral argument, the value of the convertible bond is given by

$$MV - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) = 0,$$

subject to the constraints

$$V \ge max(B_p, \kappa S),$$

 $V \le max(B_c, \kappa S),$

where \mathcal{M} is operator given by:

$$\mathcal{M}V = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} - \left((r + p\eta - q)S\frac{\partial V}{\partial S} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} - (r + p)V \right). \tag{2}$$

The solution of this system can be derived by a linear complementarity problem (LCP). Define V = V(S, t), the LCP can be described as follows,

 $\bullet B_c > \kappa S$

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{M}V - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) = 0 \\ V - max(B_p, \kappa S) \ge 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \mathcal{M}V - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) \ge 0 \\ V - max(B_p, \kappa S) = 0 \end{cases} \quad or \begin{cases} \mathcal{M}V - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) \le 0 \\ V - max(B_p, \kappa S) = 0 \end{cases} \quad or \begin{cases} \mathcal{M}V - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) \le 0 \\ V - max(B_p, \kappa S) \ge 0 \end{cases} \\ V - B_c \le 0, \end{cases}$$

• $B_c \le \kappa S$, $V = \kappa S$.

(3)

where B is the bond component of convertible bond. And the terminal condition is

$$V(S,T) = max(F, \kappa S).$$

Based on [2], the convertible can spilt to bond component B and the equity component C, and V = B + C. B and C satisfy the following LCP, separately.

$$\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}C - pmax(\kappa S(1 - \eta) - RB, 0) = 0 \\
C - (\kappa S - B) \ge 0 \\
C - max(B_c, \kappa S - B) \le 0,
\end{cases} \quad or \quad
\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}C - pmax(\kappa S(1 - \eta) - RB, 0) \ge 0 \\
C - (\kappa S - B) = 0
\end{cases}$$

$$or \quad
\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}C - pmax(\kappa S(1 - \eta) - RB, 0) \le 0 \\
C - (\kappa S - B) = 0
\end{cases}$$

(4)

$$\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}B - RpB = 0 \\
B - (B_p - C) \ge 0
\end{cases} \quad or \quad
\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}B - RpB \le 0 \\
B - B_c \le 0,
\end{cases}$$

$$or \quad
\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}B - RpB \ge 0 \\
B = B_p - C.
\end{cases}$$
(5)

Using the penalty method, define $V_1^* = max(B_p, \kappa S)$ and $V_2^* = max(B_c, \kappa S)$, the LCP system (3) can be approximated by the following nonlinear PDE

$$\begin{cases}
\mathcal{M}V - pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta), RB) + \rho max(V_1^* - V, 0) - \rho max(V - V_2^*, 0) = 0, & 0 \le t < T \\
V(S, T) = max(F, \kappa S), & t = T.
\end{cases}$$
(6)

where $\rho \to +\infty$.

2 PDE Discretization

To approximate the solution of the above PDEs, we use the finite difference method(FDM) for both spatial and temporal discretization. We use the change of variables $\tau = T - t$ to transform the PDEs from forward time to backward time. Divide time direction by N grids and price direction by I grids.

$$V_{i}^{n+1} - V_{i}^{n} = (1 - \theta) \left(\frac{\alpha_{i} + \beta_{i}}{2} (V_{i+1}^{n} - 2V_{i}^{n} + V_{i-1}^{n}) + \frac{\beta_{i} - \alpha_{i}}{2} (V_{i+1}^{n} - V_{i-1}^{n}) - (r + p) V_{i}^{n} dt \right)$$

$$+ \theta \left(\frac{\alpha_{i} + \beta_{i}}{2} (V_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2V_{i}^{n+1} + V_{i-1}^{n+1}) + \frac{\beta_{i} - \alpha_{i}}{2} (V_{i+1}^{n+1} - V_{i-1}^{n+1}) - (r + p) V_{i}^{n+1} dt \right)$$

$$+ p max(\kappa S_{i}(1 - \eta), RB_{i}^{n+1}) dt,$$

$$(7)$$

where i = 1, ..., I - 1 and n = 1, ..., N - 1,

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_i = (\frac{\sigma^2 S_i^2}{2(ds)^2} - \frac{(r + p\eta - q)S_i}{2(ds)})dt, \\ \beta_i = (\frac{\sigma^2 S_i^2}{2(ds)^2} + \frac{(r + p\eta - q)S_i}{2(ds)})dt. \end{cases}$$

And

$$B_{i}^{n+1} - B_{i}^{n} = (1 - \theta) \left(\frac{\alpha_{i} + \beta_{i}}{2} (B_{i+1}^{n} - 2B_{i}^{n} + B_{i-1}^{n}) + \frac{\beta_{i} - \alpha_{i}}{2} (B_{i+1}^{n} - B_{i-1}^{n}) - (r + p)(1 - R)B_{i}^{n} dt \right) + \theta \left(\frac{\alpha_{i} + \beta_{i}}{2} (B_{i+1}^{n+1} - 2B_{i}^{n+1} + B_{i-1}^{n+1}) + \frac{\beta_{i} - \alpha_{i}}{2} (B_{i+1}^{n+1} - B_{i-1}^{n+1}) - (r + p)(1 - R)B_{i}^{n+1} dt \right).$$

$$(8)$$

where i = 1, ..., I - 1 and n = 1, ..., N - 1. When $\theta = 0$, we get the explicit method; When $\theta = 0.5$, we get the Crank-Nicolson method; When $\theta = 1$, we get the fully implicit method;

We use penalty method to solve the LCP, the penalty term is chosen as a large quantity related to tol, a sufficiently small tolerance level.

$$P_i^{n+1,B_p} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{tol} & \text{if } V_i^{n+1} < V_1^*, \\ 0 & \text{if } V_i^{n+1} \ge V_1^*, \end{cases}$$
 (9)

and

$$P_i^{n+1,B_c} = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{tol} & \text{if } V_i^{n+1} > V_2^*, \\ 0 & \text{if } V_i^{n+1} \le V_2^*. \end{cases}$$
 (10)

From (7) and (8), we obtain a nonlinear system with matrix form

$$(\mathbb{I} - \theta \mathbb{M}_v) \mathbf{V}^{n+1} = (\mathbb{I} + (1-\theta)\mathbb{M}_v) \mathbf{V}^n + pmax(\kappa S(1-\eta) + R\mathbf{B}^{n+1}) + \mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_p}(\mathbf{V}_1^* - \mathbf{V}^{n+1}) + \mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_c}(\mathbf{V}^{n+1} - \mathbf{V}_2^*),$$

$$(11)$$

and

$$(\mathbb{I} - \theta \mathbb{M}_B) \mathbf{B}^{n+1} = (\mathbb{I} + (1 - \theta) \mathbb{M}_B) \mathbf{B}^n, \tag{12}$$

 \mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_c} , \mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_p} is a diagonal matrix with $(\mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_c})_{ii} = P_i^{n+1,B_c}$ and $(\mathbb{P}^{n+1,B_p})_{ii} = P_i^{n+1,B_p}$. Combined with the boundary conditions, \mathbb{M}_v is a $(I+1)\times(I+1)$ tri-diagonal matrix in the form

$$\mathbb{M}_v = \begin{pmatrix} -(r+p)dt & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \alpha_1 & -(\alpha_1+\beta_1+(r+p)dt) & \beta_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \alpha_2 & -(\alpha_2+\beta_2+(r+p)dt) & \beta_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_{I-1} & -(\alpha_{I-1}+\beta_{I-1}+(r+p)dt) & \beta_{I-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

 \mathbb{M}_B is a $(I+1)\times(I+1)$ tri-diagonal matrix in the form

$$\mathbb{M}_{B} = \begin{pmatrix} -(r+p(1-R))dt & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \alpha_{1} & -(\alpha_{1}+\beta_{1}+(r+p(1-R))dt) & \beta_{1} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_{I-1} & -(\alpha_{I-1}+\beta_{I-1}+(r+p(1-R))dt) & \beta_{I-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

For each backward recursive step, we first compute \mathbf{B} by (12) and using Newton iteration to solve the nonlinear equation (11). If tol and N is set properly, the iteration number is generally less than 10 times.

3 Convertible Bond Features and Boundary Conditions

3.1 Boundary Conditions

When $S \to +\infty (i = I)$, (3) and (5) becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} = 0, \qquad \frac{\partial^2 B}{\partial S^2} = 0.$$

Thus we have

$$V_I^n = \kappa S_I^n, \qquad B_I^N = B_I^{N-1} = \ldots = B_I^1 = 0.$$

When S = 0, (3) and (5) becomes

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = -(r+p)V, \qquad \frac{\partial B}{\partial t} = -(r+p(1-R))B,$$

and we can also use FDM to solve this equation, finally get the boundary condition.

3.2 Coupon Payments Adjustment

We assume the coupon payment is C_n , and $t_k^c \leq t < t_{k+1}^c$, then the accrued interest on the pending coupon payment at time t is

$$AccI(t) = c_{k+1} \frac{t - t_k^c}{t_{k+1}^c - t_k^c}.$$

Usually quoted prices are clean prices, dirty prices include any accrued interest that has accumulated since the last coupon payment. The dirty call price B_c and the dirty put price B_p are given by

$$B_c(t) = B_c^{cl} + AccI(t),$$

$$B_p(t) = B_p^{cl} + AccI(t).$$

3.3 Period No Put, No Call and No convert

In the period when the Convertible Bond is not callable, we assign $B_c(t)$ a large value so that the call event is unlikely to happen. In the period when the Convertible Bond is not puttable, we assign $B_p(t)$ zero so that the put event never happens. In the period when the Convertible Bond is not convertible, we assign $\kappa(t)$ zero so that the convert event never happens.

3.4 N-of-M Triggers: An Equivalent Trigger Price

N-of-M triggers are seen in soft calls and also in contingent conversion provisions. Exact modeling of such contract provisions is extremely time consuming, requiring a prohibitive 2^M PDE grid levels for an exact solution. We model these provisions by calculating an equivalent barrier $B_c^*(t)$ such that the probability of $S(\cdot)$ exceeding the barrier $B_c(t)$ for the required N of the previous M days is equal to the probability of the S(t), the stock at time t, exceeding $B_c^*(t)$. This reduces the N-of-M barrier to an equivalent 1-of-1 barrier, namely one-touch model. We then apply the relevant constraint at time t based on the equivalent barrier $B_c^*(t)$ and $B_p^*(t)$. $B_c^*(t)$ is calculated by the following equation

$$\mathbf{P}\left(\exists j \le T : \sum_{i=j-M+1}^{j} \mathbf{1}_{\{S(t_i) \ge B_c(t_i)\}} \ge N\right) = \mathbf{P}\left(\max_{i \le T} \{S(t_i)\} \ge B_c^*(t_i)\right). \tag{13}$$

 B_p^* is calculated similarly:

$$\mathbf{P}\left(\exists j \le T : \sum_{i=j-M+1}^{j} \mathbf{1}_{\{S(t_i) \le B_p(t_i)\}} \ge N\right) = \mathbf{P}\left(\min_{i \le T} \{S(t_i)\} \le B_p^*(t_i)\right). \tag{14}$$

We use Montecarlo method to get this equivalent trigger price.

3.5 Stock Dividends

We assume the stock pay dividends once a year, at the middle of the year, namely when t = X.5, X = 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, there will be a dividends q * S(t). When paying dividends, the convertible price will be adjusted from $\frac{F}{\kappa(t)}$ to $\frac{F}{\kappa(t)} - q * S(t)$.

4 Code Description and Some Numerical Results

We investigate two convertible bonds in this part, Geer and Guangqi, and we use the five days implied volatility as volatility input.

4.1 Code Description

4.1.1 The Main Code

The following code is the main code to calculate price.

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function U = convertible_code(Nt, Ns, F, conversion_price, Smax, SO, risk_free_rate, rate_T, sigma, T, final_coupon_rate, q, p, R, eta, no_call_time, . . .
      no_put_time, no_convert_time, Bc_star, Bp_star, theta, coupon_time_rate)
2
                 -Solving pde-Penalty mehtod-CN difference-Newton iteration----
3
        % clc;
4
5
        % clear
        % tic:
6
8
        % -----parameter specification-----
       % Nt=400;%time direction
9
10
        % Ns=200;%price direction
11
        % F=100:%face value
        % conversion_price=26.43;% convert price
13
       % Smax=155;%upbound of stock price
        % S0=31;%now stock price
        % r=0.0345;%risk free rate
15
        % sigma=1.52;% volatility
16
17
       % T=3.5;% time to maturaty
        % final_coupon_rate=0.08;%coupon rate in the final time
18
19
        % q=0;% dividend
        % p=0:%default probobility
20
        % R=0.5;% recovery rate
21
        % eta=0.5;%when default the stock price becomes (1-eta)*S
22
23
        % no_call_time=[5.38 6];%no allow call time
24
        % no_put_time=[3.88 6];%no allow put time
       % no_convert_time=[5.38 6];%no allow convert time
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% Bc_star=141.65;%callable price
26
27
       % Bp_star=F*1;%puttable price
28
        % theta=1;%implicitness parameter, 0.5为CN method, 1为fully implicit or backward euler method
        % coupon_time_rate=[0.07 0.015 0.015 0.01 0.005 0.002 0 0 0 0 0];%coupon_rate
30
       % risk_free_rate=xlsread('data','rate','C2:C900')'
       -% rate_T=xlsread('data','rate','E2:E900')';% before interp
31
32
33
34 -
        [rate_T, index]=unique(rate_T);
35 -
        risk_free_rate=risk_free_rate(index);%get rid of same value
36
37
        %-----computation from parameter-----
38
39 -
        k=F/conversion_price;%conversion ratio
40 -
        ds=Smax/Ns;%price direction
41 -
        dt=T/Nt;%time direction
42 -
        rho=1000000/(dt*dt);%penalty parameter
43
45
        %-----boundary conditions-----
        i = (1:Ns+1)'; %stock price, [1, 2, ..., Ns+1], u(x, y) = u(T-xdt, (y-1)dh)
47 -
        S=(0:Ns)'*ds;%stock price, [0,h,2h,...,Ns*h]
        Bc_T=Bc_star+final_coupon_rate*F;%Bc in the final time, using dirty price
48 -
        Bp_T=Bp_star+final_coupon_rate*F;
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50 -
        k_T=F/(conversion_price-q*S0*ceil(T-0.5));%dividend influence
         u(1:Ns+1,:)=max(k_T*S,F+final_coupon_rate*F):%from t=0 update u to t=T; this is initial value of u when t=0,t=T-t, backward
51 -
52 -
         u=max (min(u, max(Bc_T, k_T*S)), max(Bp_T, k_T*S)); %→explict determine value of u by considering constraint
        B(1:Ns+1,:)=F+final_coupon_rate*F;%from t=0 update B to t=T; this is initial value of B when t=0,t=T-t,backward
53 -
54
         % umax(1:Nt)=k*Smax;%s=Smax,u value, when u_ss=0
55
          \begin{tabular}{ll} \$ \ Bmax(1:Nt) = F + final\_coupon\_rate * F; \$s = Smax, B \ value, B\_ss = 0; --\$this \end{tabular} 
56
        % two condition is including in the matrix following, so they are useless
57
58
         \%----solve pde by difference method, combined penalty method----
59
60 -
         count=0;%total iteration time
61 -
        count1=0;
62 -
         count2=0;
63 -
         count3=0;
64 -
         count 4=0;
65 -
         count5=0:
66 -
        flag=0; %if not convergenc, break will stop the whole loop
67
68 - ☐ for n=1:Nt%t=T-n*dt, n=1 means t=T-dt, n=N tmeans t=0 %want to u^n→u^(n+1)
69
            %computation using r(t)
70 -
            ratel=interp1(rate_T, risk_free_rate, n*dt-eps, 'linear');% discount rate for time step n
71 -
            rate2=interp1(rate_T,risk_free_rate,(n-1)*dt-eps,'linear');% discount rate for time step n+1
72 -
            r=-(log(rate2/rate1)/dt); %risk free rate in time step n
73
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74 -
                                   alpha=((sigma^2*S(2:Ns,:).^2)/(2*ds^2)-(r+p*eta-q)*S(2:Ns,:)./(2*ds))*dt:%Ns-1, namely alpha_1~alpha_(Ns-1) means ds~(Ns-1)*ds
  75 -
                                   beta=((sigma^2*S(2:Ns,:),^2)/(2*ds^2)+(r+p*eta-q)*S(2:Ns,:),/(2*ds))*dt:
                                    alpha_MuMB=[alpha;0;0];%take Mu and MB down diagonals as alpha_MuMB
  76 -
  77 -
                                   beta_MuMB=[0;0;beta];%take Mu and MB up diagonals as beta_MuMB
  78 -
                                   gamma_Mu=[-(r+p)*dt;-(alpha+beta+(r+p)*dt);0];%take Mu diagonals as gamma_Mu
  79 -
                                   \label{eq:muser} \verb|Mu=spdiags|([alpha_MuMB, gamma_Mu, beta_MuMB], (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+1); \\ % this is Mumulation (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+1, Ns+1); \\ % this is Mumulation (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+1, Ns+1); \\ % this is Mumulation (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+1, Ns+1, Ns+1); \\ % this Mumulation (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+
  80 -
                                    81 -
                                   MB=spdiags([alpha_MuMB, gamma_MB, beta_MuMB], (-1:1), Ns+1, Ns+1);%This is MB
   82
   83
  84 -
                                  if flag==1
  85 -
                                            break;
  86 -
  87 -
                                   t=n*dt;%time to maturaty
  88 -
                                   AccI=(ceil(t)-t)*coupon_time_rate(ceil(t))*F:%counpond rate, ACCI
  89 -
                                   if (no call time(1) <=t) &&(t<=no call time(2))
                                            Bc_n=1000;%when n value of Bc, take a large number means no call
  90 -
  91 -
                                   else
  92 -
                                          Bc_n=Bc_star+AccI;%dirty price
  93 -
                                   end
  94 -
                                    \begin{tabular}{ll} if & $(no\_put\_time(1) \le t) \&\& (t \le no\_put\_time(2)) \end{tabular} 
  95 -
                                              Bp_n=0.01;%small number means no put
  96 -
  97 -
                                              Bp_n=Bp_star+AccI;
98 -
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99 -
                if (no_convert_time(1) <=t) && (t <= no_convert_time(2))</pre>
 100 -
                    k n=0.01:%small means no converte
101 -
 102 -
                    k n=F/(conversion price-q*S0*(ceil(T-0.5)-ceil(t-0.5))): when T=X.5, stock pay dividends
 103 -
 104 -
                    u n=u:%now value of u is n-1 step, will converte to n step following
 105 -
                    B=(eye(Ns+1)-theta*MB)\(((eye(Ns+1)+(1-theta)*MB)*B):%similar to eqation (3.45), without constratint, B's eqation,
 106
                    \% solution B\_n is n step iteration initial value
 107 -
                    B(B>Bc_n)=Bc_n; % -explict B<=Bc
 108 -
                    \label{eq:muup*dt*max} Muu=p*dt*max(k_n*(1-eta)*S,R*B);\\ %similar to (3.44) the right term
 109 -
                    u=(speye(Ns+1)-theta*Mu)\((speye(Ns+1)+(1-theta)*Mu)*u_n+[Muu(1:Ns,:);0]);
                    %similar to eqation (3.44), without constratint, u's eqation, solution u_n is n step iteration initial value
 110
 111 -
                     u = \max \left( \min \left( u, \max \left( Bc_n, k_n * S \right) \right), \max \left( Bp_n, k_n * S \right) \right); \\  \% \rightarrow \text{explict constraint } u, \text{ initial value of } u_n = 0. 
                    {\tt P1\_old=rho*spdiags}\,(u \\ \\ \\ {\tt max}\,(Bp\_n,k\_n*S)\,,\,0,\,Ns+1,\,Ns+1)\,;\\
 113 -
                    P2_old=-rho*spdiags(u>max(Bc_n,k_n*S),0,Ns+1,Ns+1);
114
                    % P1, P2 penalty parameter initial value, when this item =0, penalty parameter is 0,
 115
                    % otherwise is rho, P1_n^0 is max(Bp_n, kS), P2_n^0 is max(Bc_n, kS)
 116
 117 -
                    while true
118 -
                    count=count+1:
 119 -
                    u old=u;%u old is u^0 n, i.e., n step initial value
120 -
                    P1=rho*spdiags(u<max(Bp_n, k_n*S), 0, Ns+1, Ns+1);
 121 -
                    P2=-rho*spdiags(u>max(Bc n, k n*S), 0, Ns+1, Ns+1);
122 -
                    u=(speye(Ns+1)-theta*Mu+P1-P2)\((speye(Ns+1)+(1-theta)*Mu)*u n+[Muu(1:Ns,:);0]+P1*max(Bp n,k n*S)-P2*max(Bc n,k n*S));
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123
                   %similar to (4.28), solution is u_n^(k+1)
 124 -
                  P1=rho*spdiags(u<=max(Bp_n, k_n*S), 0, Ns+1, Ns+1);
 125 -
                  P2=-rho*spdiags(u>=max(Bc_n, k_n*S), 0, Ns+1, Ns+1);
 126 -
                  if (isequal(P1, P1_old) && isequal(P2, P2_old))
 127 -
                      count1=count1+1:
 128 -
                      break;
                  elseif max(abs(u-u old),/max(1,abs(u)))<1/sort(rho)
 129 -
 130 -
                      count2=count2+1
 131 -
                          break
 132 -
                      elseif count>Nt*40
 133 -
                               count 4=count 4+1
 134 -
                               disp(['Probably does not converge, current T is ' num2str(T)]);
 135 -
                              flag=1;
 136 -
 137 -
 138 -
                      count3=count3+1
 139 -
 140 -
                  P1_old=P1;
                  P2_old=P2;%fix n, every interation of k, u,P1,P2 will change value, so add 'old'
 141 -
 142 -
 143 -
                  if (ceil(t+dt)-ceil(t))==1%coupon rate payment
 144 -
                      count5=count5+1:
 145 -
                      u=u+coupon_time_rate(ceil(t+dt+1e-9))*F
146 -
                      B=B+coupon_time_rate(ceil(t+dt+le-9))*F
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147 -
                                                                                                                                                                end
  148 -
                                                                                        end
  149
    150
                                                                                        88
  151 -
                                                                                        U=u(ceil(Ns*SO/Smax))
    152
                                                                                        % usingtime=toc
    153
                                                                                        \mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath}\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremath}\ensuremat
    154
                                                                                        % disp(Out)
    155
                                                                                        % disp(['Total elapsed time : 'num2str(usingtime) ', Nt = 'num2str(Nt) ', Ns = 'num2str(Ns)]);
```

We use time-dependent risk free rate r(t), to be detail, when calculating the price at t_0 , we use linear interpolation to get a risk free rate curve at t_0 , then for every time grid t, we use the forward risk free rate from t+1 to t as the risk free rate. As mentioned, we use penalty method to solve the PDE, and using backward fully implicit method to calculate from time t+1 to t, and using Newton iteration to get the solution of equation.

4.1.2 Calculating B_c^* and B_p^*

The following code is calculating the equivalent trigger price B_c^* and B_n^* .

```
🖯 function pdifference = calculateBcstar(SO, Bc, Bc_star, T, risk_free_rate, rate_T, sigma, n, m)
 2
      - %% parameter input
 3
        % clc:
        % clear;
 4
        % S0=18.21;
 6
        % Bc=43.05*1.3
        % Bc_star=62.2146;
 8
        % T=4.08;
        % u=-0.01:
 9
        % sigma=0.42;
10
        % n=15:
11
        -% m=30;
12
13
14 -
        N=10000; %numbers of Mc
15 -
        d_t=1/252;
16 -
        M=ceil(T/d_t);
        % r=xlsread('data', 'rate', 'C2:C900')';
17
18
        % rate_T=xlsread('data', 'rate', 'B2:E900')';% before interp
19 -
        [rate_T, index]=unique(rate_T);
20 -
        risk_free_rate=risk_free_rate(index); %get rid of same value
        %% calculate
21
22 -
        left_sum=zeros(1, N);
23 -
        right_sum=zeros(1, N);
24 -
        windowSize=m:
       filter_b=(1/windowSize)*ones(1,windowSize);%m moving average
25 -
26 -
       filter_a=1;%weight
27 -
      for i=0: M
28 -
            ratel=interp1(rate_T, risk_free_rate, i*d_t-eps, 'linear');% discount rate for time step i
29 -
            rate2=interp1(rate_T, risk_free_rate, (i-1)*d_t-eps, 'linear'); % discount rate for time step i
30 -
            r(i+1)=-(log(rate2/rate1)/d_t); %risk free rate in time step i
31 -
        end -
32 -
      for i=1: N
33 -
            W=[0, cumsum(random('norm', 0, sqrt(d_t), 1, M))];
34 -
            S=S0.*exp((r-sigma^2/2).*(0:M).*d_t+sigma*W);
35 -
            judge=(S>Bc);
36 -
            judge_filter=filter(filter_b, filter_a, judge);
37 -
            if any (judge_filter>=n/m-eps)
38 -
                left_sum(i)=1;
39 -
            end
40 -
            judgestar=(S>Bc_star);
            if any(judgestar==1)
41 -
42 -
                right_sum(i)=1;
43 -
            end
44 -
        end
45 -
        pbc=mean(left_sum);
46 -
        pbcstar=mean(right sum):
47 -
        pdifference=pbc-pbcstar;
48 -
```

```
function pdifference = calculateBstar(S0, Bp, Bp_star, T, risk_free_rate, rate_T, sigma, n, m)
2
      5% parameter input
3
        % clc:
4
        % clear;
5
        % S0=38.79
6
        % Bp=18.501;
7
        % Bp_star=1.85;
        % T=5.5472;
8
9
        % u=0.0093;
10
        % sigma=3.1551;
11
        % n=30;
12
        -% m=30;
13
        N=10000; %numbers of Mc
14 -
15 -
        d_t=1/252;
16 -
        M=ceil(T/d_t);
17
        %risk_free_rate=xlsread('data', 'rate', 'C2:C900')';
        %rate_T=xlsread('data','rate','E2:E900')';% before interp
18
19 -
        [rate_T, index]=unique(rate_T);
20 -
        risk_free_rate=risk_free_rate(index); %get rid of same value
21
22
        %% calculate
23 -
        left_sum=zeros(1, N);
24 -
        right_sum=zeros(1, N);
25 -
        windowSize=m:
```

```
filter_b=(1/windowSize)*ones(1,windowSize);%m moving average
26 -
27 -
         filter_a=1;%weight
28 - for i=0: M
29 -
             ratel=interp1(rate_T, risk_free_rate, i*d_t-eps, 'linear');% discount rate for time step i
30 -
             rate2=interp1(rate_T, risk_free_rate, (i-1)*d_t-eps, 'linear'); % discount rate for time step i
             \underline{\mathbf{r}}(i+1)=-(\log(\text{rate2/rate1})/d_{\underline{\mathbf{t}}}); %risk free rate in time step i
31 -
32 -
         end
33 -
       for i=1: N
34 -
             W=[0, cumsum(random('norm', 0, sqrt(d_t), 1, M))];
35 -
             S=S0.*exp((r-sigma^2/2).*(0:M)*d_t+sigma*W);
             judge=(S<Bp);</pre>
36 -
37 -
             judge_filter=filter(filter_b, filter_a, judge);
38 -
               if \ any \ (judge\_filter>=n/m-eps) \\
39 -
                  left_sum(i)=1;
40 -
41 -
             judgestar=(S<Bp_star);</pre>
42 -
              if any(judgestar==1)
43 -
                  right_sum(i)=1;
44 -
              end
45 -
46 -
         pbp=mean(left_sum);
47 -
         pbpstar=mean(right_sum);
48 -
         pdifference=pbp-pbpstar;
49 -
```

We also use time dependent risk free rate, and take MC times N=10000, we take time step length as one day, for the call feature, it is 15 out of 30 days, and the put feature is 30 out of 30 days.

4.1.3 An One Day Example

In this part we give an one day example to explain how we calculate the price. We have all information for 2017 - 6 - 9, and also we have know the stock price and risk free rate curve for 2017 - 6 - 10, using these information, we calculate the convertible price for day 2017 - 6 - 10.

```
2 -
        clc;
 3 -
        clear:
 4 -
        tic;
        5%
 5
 6
        %read data
        ConversionPrice=xlsread('data', 'ge_er', 'E597:E598')';% yesterday and today convertion price
 7 -
 8 -
        MarketPrice=xlsread('data', 'ge_er', 'D597')';% yesterday market price
       S=xlsread('data', 'ge_er', 'H597:H598')':% yesterday and today stock price
 9 -
10 -
       T=xlsread('data', 'ge_er', 'C597:C598')'; % yesterday and today time to maturaty
       risk_free_rate=xlsread('data', 'rate', 'C2:C900')';% discount_rate
11 -
12 -
       rate_T=xlsread('data','rate','E2:E900')';% before interp
13
14
       %set up parameter
15 -
       Nt=400;
16 -
        Ns=200;
17 -
       FaceValue=100;
18 -
       Smax=100:
19 -
       FinalCouponRate=0.08;
20 -
       NoConverTime=[5.38 6];
21 -
       NoCallTime=[5.38 6];
22 -
       NoPutTime=[3.88 6];
23 -
       Bc=1.3*100;
24 -
       Bp=0.7*100;
25 -
       theta=1;
26 -
        ConvertValue=S.*(100./ConversionPrice);%转股价值
27 -
        coupon_time_rate=[0.016 0.016 0.016 0.01 0.007 0.005 0 0 0 0 0];
28 -
        q=0;%dividend
29 -
        p=0;%default probobality
30 -
        R=0.5;%recovery rate
31 -
        eta=0.5;
32 -
        n1=15:%bc
33 -
        n2=30;%bp
34 -
        m=30:
35
        %% Calculation of Bc_star and Bp_star and implied volatility
36
37
38 -
        Bc_stock=Bc./(FaceValue./ConversionPrice);% Bc boundary---stock price
39 -
        Bp_stock=Bp. / (FaceValue. /ConversionPrice);
        implied_vol=0.4;% iv initial value of yesterday
40 -
41 - 🗇 for j=1:5 %iteration time, calculate yesterday equ bostar, equ bpstar and implied vol
42
           % Bc interation
43 -
44 -
           45 -
           Bc_stock0=[0.5*S(1),10*Bc_stock(1)];% initial value of Bcstar
           options=optimset('Display', 'iter', 'TolX', 0.01);
46 -
47 -
           Bc_stock_star=fzero(Bcstar_fun, Bc_stock0, options);
           Bc_star=Bc_stock_star*(FaceValue/ConversionPrice(1)); % equivalence Bc boundary of yesterday
48 -
49
           % Bp iteration
```

```
Bpstar_fun=@(Bpstar) calculateBpstar(S(1), Bp_stock(1), Bpstar, T(1), risk_free_rate, rate_T, max(min(implied_vol, 5), 0.05), n2, m);
  51 -
                                              Bp stock0=[0.1*Bp stock(1), 2*S(1)]: %initial value of Bpstar
  52 -
                                               options=optimset('Display', 'iter', 'TolX', 0.01);
  53 -
                                              Bp_stock_star=fzero(Bpstar_fun, Bp_stock0, options);
  54 -
                                              Bp_star=Bp_stock_star*(FaceValue/ConversionPrice(1));% equivalence Bp boundary of yesterday
  55
  56 -
                                              iv0=[0.05,5]:% initial value of Bostar
  57 -
                                               if (convertible_code(Nt, Ns, FaceValue, ConversionPrice(1), 5*S(1), S(1), risk_free_rate, rate_T, 5, . . .
  58
                                                              T(1), FinalCouponRate, q, p, R, eta, NoCallTime, NoPutTime, NoConverTime, Bc_star, Bp_star, theta, coupon_time_rate)-MarketPrice>0)...
  59
                                              && (convertible code (Nt. Ns. FaceValue, ConversionPrice (1), 5*S(1), S(1), risk free rate, rate T. 0, 05...
  60
                                                             I(1), FinalCouponRate, q, p, R, eta, NoCallTime, NoPutTime, NoConverTime, Bc_star, Bp_star, theta, coupon_time_rate)-MarketPrice<0)
  61
                                               % this is judge that iv is not beyond the iterval [0.05, 0.5], otherwise we take its value as 0.05 or 0.5
  62
  63
                                               iv\_fun=@(sigma) \ \ convertibl=\_code(Nt, Ns, FaceValue, ConversionPrice(1), 5*S|(1), F(1), risk\_free\_rate, rate\_T, sigma, \dots | S(1), risk\_free\_rate, rate\_T, sigma, number | S(1), risk\_free\_rate, rate\_T, 
  64
                                                             \texttt{T(1)}, \texttt{FinalCouponRate}, \texttt{q}, \texttt{p}, \texttt{R}, \texttt{eta}, \texttt{NoCallTime}, \texttt{NoPutTime}, \texttt{NoConverTime}, \texttt{Bc} \\ \texttt{\_star}, \texttt{Ep\_star}, \texttt{theta}, \texttt{coupon\_time\_rate}) \\ -\texttt{MarketPrice}; \texttt{MoCallTime}, \texttt{NoConverTime}, \texttt{Bc} \\ \texttt{\_tar}, \texttt{Ep\_star}, \texttt{
                                               options=optimset('Display', 'iter', 'TolX', 0.001)
  65 -
  66
                                              implied_vol=fzero(iv_fun, iv0, options); % get value of implied vol
  67 -
                                               elseif (convertible_code(Nt, Ns, FaceValue, ConversionPrice(1), 5*S(1), S(1), risk_free_rate, rate_T, 5, ...
  68
                                                             T(1), FinalCouponRate, q, p, R, eta, NoCallTime, NoPutTime, NoConverTime, Bc star, Bp_star, theta, coupon_time_rate) - MarketPrice <= 0)
  69 -
                                                             implied vol=5;
  70 -
  71 -
                                                             implied_vol=0.05;
  72 -
74
75
76 -
                               TodayPrice=convertible code(Nt. Ns. FaceValue, ConversionPrice(2), 5*S(2), S(2), risk free rate, rate T, implied vol...
                                              T(2), FinalCouponRate, q, p, R, eta, NoCallTime, NoPutTime, NoConverTime, Bc_star, Bp_star, theta, coupon_time_rate);
77
78
                               % using yesterday's implied vol and Bostar, Bpstar
                               disp(['Today convertible bond theory price is 'num2str(TodayPrice)', time= 'num2str(toc)]);
```

As the code shown, we assume q = 0, namely there is no dividend, and the default probability is p = 0, original B_c is 130, B_p is 70. As the volatility input, we use implied volatility of 2017 - 6 - 9 and equivalent boundary B_c^* , B_p^* of 2017 - 6 - 9 as volatility input of 2017 - 6 - 10, and equivalent boundary input of 2017 - 6 - 10. Since to calculate B_c^* and B_p^* is also requested for volatility input, we use an iteration method to get the implied volatility and equivalent boundary of day 2017 - 6 - 9: we first use an initial volatility 0.4 as volatility input to calculate B_c^* and B_p^* , than get value of B_c^* and B_p^* , and use this equivalent boundary as equivalent boundary input to calculate a price such that this price equals the market price of day 2017 - 6 - 9. Thus get the implied volatility and use take this implied volatility as the new input of B_c^* and B_p^* , and so on, until the implied volatility and equivalent don't change a lot. If the implied volatility is more than 5 or less than 0.05. we take its value as 5 or 0.05.

4.2 Some Numerical Results

The following are two numerical results. We implement to convertible bonds, Geer and Guangqi. Guangqi: The time is from 2016/2/26 to 2017/3/7, from year 0.09 to year 1.12. We consider the call and put provision, and use a new B_c^* B_p^* to replace the old one. The call feature is 15-out-of-30, the trigger price is 130% of convertible price. The put feature is 30-out-of-30, the trigger price is 70% of convertible price. The convertible-period and call-period is from year 0.5 to year 6, namely after 2016/7/21. The put-period is from year 4 to year 6. The stock dividend is paid once a year, we take q=0 now. The default risk p=0. The pay of interest rate is considered, it is assumed coupon interest rate is paid once a year, at T=5,4,3,2,1,0, so we use dirty price.

Geer is similar to Guangqi except the time is from 2015/1/14 to 2017/3/7, from year 0.09 to year 2.24. The convertible-period and call-period is from year 0.5 to year 6, namely after 2015/6/11. The put-period is from year 2 to year 6.

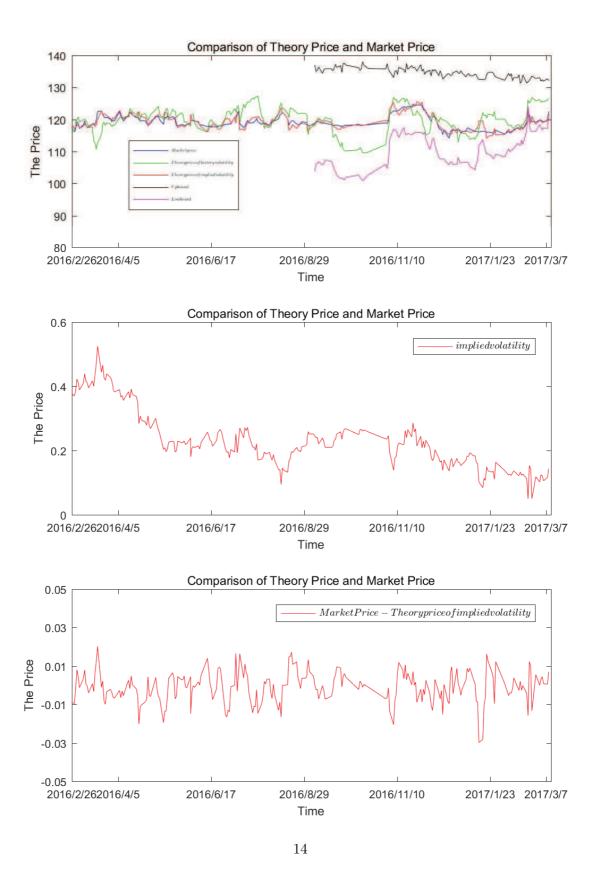


Figure 1: The price of Guangqi with implied volatility by PDE method

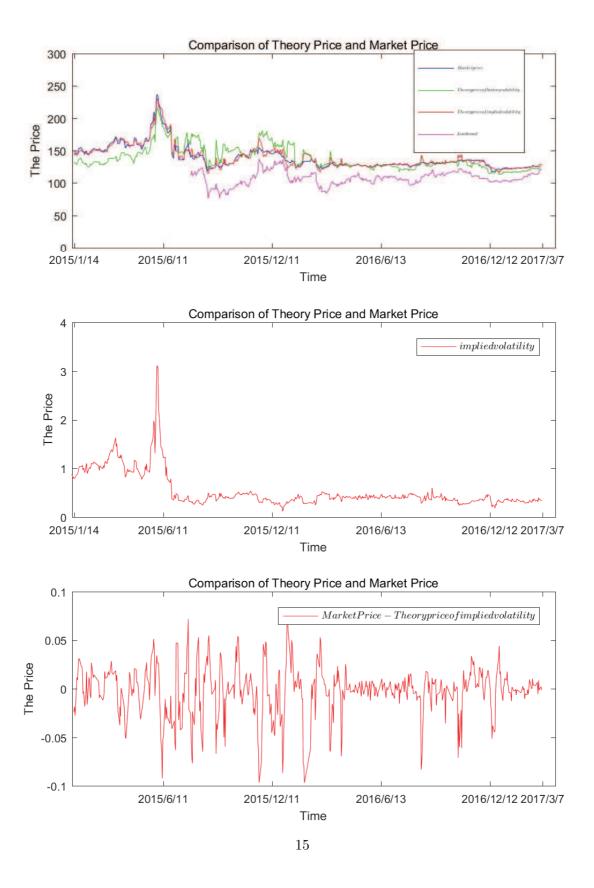


Figure 2: The price of Geer with implied volatility by PDE method

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