

FE5222 Advanced Derivative Pricing

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Assume the stock price evolves (in the real world) according to the following process

$$\frac{dS(t)}{S(t)} = \alpha dt + \sigma dW(t)$$

where α and σ are constant.

The quadratic variation of $S(t)$ (in differential form) is

$$dS(t)dS(t) = \sigma^2 S^2(t)dt$$

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Let $V(t, S(t))$ be the value of a financial derivative (call/put option etc.) at time t .

By Ito's Lemma, the change of $V(t, S(t))$ from t to $t + dt$ is

$$\begin{aligned}dV(t, S(t)) &= V_t dt + V_S dS(t) + \frac{1}{2} V_{SS} dS(t) dS(t) \\&= V_t dt + V_S dS(t) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2 V_{SS} dt\end{aligned}$$

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If we simultaneously hold $-V_S$ shares of stock at t , the value of our portfolio $\pi(t)$ at time t is

$$\pi(t) = V(t, S(t)) - V_S S(t)$$

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The change of portfolio value between t to $t + dt$ is

$$\begin{aligned}d\pi(t) &= dV(t, S(t)) - V_s dS(t) \\ &= V_t dt + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2(t) V_{SS} dt\end{aligned}$$

The change of portfolio value is independent of price change!

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In other words, this portfolio is not subject to any price risk in the infinitesimal time interval $[t, t + dt]$.

\Rightarrow The portfolio is as safe as holding a riskless asset.

\Rightarrow Its value shall grow at the same rate as a riskless asset (no arbitrage principle).

\Rightarrow

$$d\pi(t) = r\pi(t)dt$$

\Rightarrow

$$V_t dt + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2(t) V_{SS} dt = r(V(t, S(t)) - V_S S(t)) dt$$

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Canceling dt and rearranging it, we get Black-Scholes P.D.E.

$$V_t + rSV_s + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 V_{SS} - rV(t, S) = 0$$

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From replicating perspective, at time t if we hold a portfolio $X(t)$ of

- V_S shares of stock
- $\frac{1}{r} \left(V_t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2(t) V_{SS} \right)$ cash

The change of $X(t)$ from t to $t + dt$ is

$$V_S dS(t) + \left(V_t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2(t) V_{SS} \right) dt$$

The is the same as holding the derivative V !

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Example

We can argue that $V(0) = X(0)$. Otherwise there is arbitrage opportunity. Suppose $V(0) > X(0)$.

1 At $t = 0$,

- Short V
- Long X
- Deposit the cash gain $V(0) - X(0)$ at a bank account

2 At expiry T , the value of our positions is:

- $-V(T)$
- $X(T)$
- $V(0) - X(0) + \text{interest}$

Since $X(T) - X(0) = V(T) - V(0)$, the net value is the amount of interest.

\Rightarrow Lock in riskless gain!

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Idea:

- Replicate the payoff of a derivative V with a portfolio X consisting of stocks and cash.
- Since the discounted stock prices are martingale under risk-neutral measure, the discounted value of X is also a martingale.
- The discounted value \tilde{V} of V is also a martingale under risk neutral measure. Hence

$$\tilde{V}(t) = \mathbb{E}[\tilde{V}(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

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Definition

Let Z be a positive random variable such that $\mathbb{E}[Z] = 1$. The Radon-Nikodym derivative process $Z(t)$ is defined as

$$Z(t) = \mathbb{E}[Z | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

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- $Z(t) > 0$
- $Z(t)$ is a martingale.
- $\mathbb{E}[Z(t)] = 1.$

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Lemma

*Let Z be a positive random variable and $\mathbb{E}[Z] = 1$, $\frac{d\tilde{\mathbb{P}}}{d\mathbb{P}} = Z$.
Let Y be an integrable random variable. Assume that Y is \mathcal{F}_t measurable. Then*

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)]$$

where $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}$ is the expectation w.r.t. the probability measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

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Note that

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[YZ]$$

always holds. $Z(t)$ is the estimate of Z given the information \mathcal{F}_t . When Y is known at time t , we can refine the expectation on the RHS with available information to use $Z(t)$.

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Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[Y] &= \mathbb{E}[YZ] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[YZ|\mathcal{F}_t]] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbb{E}[Z|\mathcal{F}_t]] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)]\end{aligned}$$



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Lemma

Let $s < t$ and Y be an \mathcal{F}_t measurable random variable. Then

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[Y|\mathcal{F}_s] = \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$$

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- This is the condition expectation version of the previous lemma
- In change of measure, the 'scaling factor' Z needs to be normalized (i.e., $\mathbb{E}[Z] = 1$). However the conditional expectation $\mathbb{E}[Z|\mathcal{F}_s] = Z(t) \neq 1$. Hence we need to rescale it by a factor of $\frac{1}{Z(s)}$ such that $\mathbb{E}[\frac{Z(t)}{Z(s)}|\mathcal{F}_s] = 1$.

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Proof.

We shall prove that $\frac{1}{Z(s)}\mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$ is the conditional expectation w.r.t. $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ of Y given \mathcal{F}_s . To do this, we need to verify

- $\frac{1}{Z(s)}\mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$ is \mathcal{F}_s -measurable.
- For any $A \in \mathcal{F}_s$,

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[1_A \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] \right] = \tilde{\mathbb{E}} [1_A Y]$$



Proof.

Since both $\frac{1}{Z(s)}$ and $\mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$ are \mathcal{F}_s -measurable,
 $\frac{1}{Z(s)}\mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$ is \mathcal{F}_s -measurable. □

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[1_A \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] \right] &= \mathbb{E} \left[1_A \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] Z(s) \right] \\
 &= \mathbb{E} [1_A \mathbb{E}[YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]] \\
 &= \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E}[1_A YZ(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]] \\
 &= \mathbb{E} [1_A YZ(t)] \\
 &= \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} [1_A Y]
 \end{aligned}$$



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Theorem

Let $W(t), 0 \leq t \leq T$ be a Brownian motion on the probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ be a filtration for the Brownian motion, $\Theta(t)$ is an adapted process. Suppose $\Theta(t)$ satisfies Novikov's condition

$$\mathbb{E} \left[e^{\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \Theta^2(s) ds} \right] < \infty$$

Define

$$Z(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \Theta(s) dW(s) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \Theta^2(s) ds}$$

then $Z(t)$ is a martingale and $\mathbb{E}Z(t) = 1, \forall 0 \leq t \leq T$.

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Theorem (Cont'd)

Furthermore, if we let $Z = Z(T)$,

$$\frac{d\tilde{\mathbb{P}}}{d\mathbb{P}} = Z$$

and

$$\widetilde{W}(t) = \int_0^t \Theta(s) ds + W(t)$$

Then $\widetilde{W}(t)$ is a Brownian motion under the measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

Note that we often use differential form

$$d\widetilde{W}(t) = \Theta(t)dt + dW(t)$$

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Outline of the proof

- 1 Prove $Z(t)$ is a martingale by showing that $dZ(t)$ has zero drift term
- 2 Show that \widetilde{W}
 - is a martingale (under the probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$)
 - has continuous sample paths; and
 - unit quadratic variation per unit time

$$[\widetilde{W}, \widetilde{W}](t) = t$$

\implies By Levy's Theorem \widetilde{W} is a Brownian motion under the probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$

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Proof.

We first prove $Z(t)$ is a martingale.

Let

$$X(t) = - \int_0^t \Theta(s) dW(s) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \Theta^2(s) ds$$

which written in differential form becomes

$$dX(t) = -\Theta(t)dW(t) - \frac{1}{2}\Theta^2(t)dt$$

Hence

$$dX(t)dX(t) = \Theta^2(t)dt$$



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Proof.

Since $Z(t) = e^{X(t)}$, we can apply Ito's Lemma to the function $f(t, x) = e^x$ and get

$$dZ(t) = f_x dX(t) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dX(t) dX(t)$$

Note that $f_x = f_{xx} = e^x$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} dZ(t) &= Z(t) (-\Theta(t) dW(t) - \frac{1}{2} \Theta^2(t) dt) + \frac{1}{2} Z(t) \Theta^2(t) dt \\ &= -\Theta(t) Z(t) dW(t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$Z(t) = Z(0) - \int_0^t \Theta(s) Z(s) dW(s)$$

is a martingale.



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Proof.

Now we show $\widetilde{W}(t)$ is a Brownian motion.

- It is trivial that $\widetilde{W}(t)$ has a continuous sample path.
-

$$\begin{aligned} & d\widetilde{W}(t)d\widetilde{W}(t) \\ &= (\Theta(t)dt + dW(t))^2 \\ &= \Theta^2(t)dtdt + 2\Theta(t)dW(t)dt + dW(t)dW(t) \\ &= dt \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\widetilde{W}(t)$ has unit quadratic variation per unit time

- It's left to show that $\widetilde{W}(t)$ is a martingale under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$



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Proof.

Fix $s < t$, we need to show

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[\widetilde{W}(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] = \widetilde{W}(s)$$

where $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}$ is the expectation w.r.t. $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

We notice that $Z(t)$ is a martingale, hence

$$Z(t) = \mathbb{E}[Z(T)|\mathcal{F}_t] = \mathbb{E}[Z|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

$Z(t)$ is a Radom-Nikodym process.

We can use the change of measure formula for conditional expectation and get

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[\widetilde{W}(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] = \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)|\mathcal{F}_s]$$

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Proof.

It is sufficient to show

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{Z(s)} \mathbb{E}[\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] = \widetilde{W}(s) \\ \iff & \mathbb{E}[\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)|\mathcal{F}_s] = \widetilde{W}(s)Z(s) \\ \iff & \widetilde{W}(t)Z(t) \text{ is a martingale under } \mathbb{P} \end{aligned}$$



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Proof.

We now prove $\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)$ is a martingale under \mathbb{P} .

$$\begin{aligned}d\left(\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)\right) &= Z(t)d\widetilde{W}(t) + \widetilde{W}(t)dZ(t) + d\widetilde{W}(t)dZ(t) \\&= Z(t)(\Theta dt + dW(t)) - \widetilde{W}(t)\Theta Z(t)dW(t) \\&\quad - (\Theta dt + dW(t))\Theta Z(t)dW(t) \\&= Z(t)\Theta dt + Z(t)dW(t) - \widetilde{W}(t)\Theta Z(t)dW(t) \\&\quad - \Theta^2 Z(t)dW(t)dt - \Theta Z(t)dW(t)dW(t) \\&= Z(t)\left(1 - \widetilde{W}(t)\Theta\right)dW(t)\end{aligned}$$

Since $d\left(\widetilde{W}(t)Z(t)\right)$ has no drift term, it is a martingale under \mathbb{P} . This completes the proof. \square

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Model for stock market in the real world measure \mathbb{P}

- Stock price process

$$dS(t) = \alpha(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t), \forall 0 \leq t \leq T$$

where $\alpha(t)$ and $\sigma(t)$ are two adapted processes, and $\sigma(t) > 0$.

- Interest rate process $R(t)$, $R(t)$ is adapted
- Discount process

$$D(t) = e^{-\int_0^t R(s)ds}$$

Note that

$$dD(t) = -R(t)D(t)dt$$

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The discounted price $D(t)S(t)$ follows

$$\begin{aligned}d(D(t)S(t)) &= S(t)dD(t) + D(t)dS(t) + dD(t)dS(t) \\&= -R(t)D(t)S(t)dt + \alpha(t)D(t)S(t)dt \\&\quad + \sigma(t)D(t)S(t)dW(t) \\&= \sigma(t)D(t)S(t) \left(\frac{\alpha(t) - R(t)}{\sigma(t)} dt + dW(t) \right)\end{aligned}$$

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Let

$$\Theta(t) = \frac{\alpha(t) - R(t)}{\sigma(t)}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(D(t)S(t)) &= \sigma(t)D(t)S(t)(\Theta(t)dt + dW(t)) \\ &= \sigma(t)D(t)S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$d\widetilde{W}(t) = \Theta(t)dt + dW(t)$$

$\widetilde{W}(t)$ is a Brownian motion under the probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ defined as

$$\frac{d\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}}{d\mathbb{P}} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \Theta^2(s)ds - \int_0^T \Theta(s)dW(s)}$$

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- $\Theta(t)$ is called the *market price of risk*
- $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ is the risk neutral measure

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$$D(t)S(t) = S(0) + \int_0^t \sigma(s)D(s)S(s)d\tilde{W}(s)$$

is a martingale under the risk neutral measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$

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- Substituting $dW(t) = -\Theta(t)dt + d\widetilde{W}(t)$ to the stock price $dS(t)$, we get

$$dS(t) = R(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t)$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{dS(t)}{S(t)} = R(t)dt + \sigma(t)d\widetilde{W}(t)$$

- The mean rate of return for $S(t)$ changes from $\alpha(t)$ to $R(t)$ from real world measure to risk neutral measure
- The instantaneous volatility $\sigma(t)$ does not change. However if $\sigma(t)$ is random, its distribution has changed from real world measure to risk neutral measure.

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Definition

Let $R(t)$ be the interest rate process. The money market account is defined as

$$M(t) = e^{\int_0^t R(s)ds}$$

- $D(t) = \frac{1}{M(t)}$
- $dM(t) = R(t)M(t)dt$

Value of Portfolio under Risk Neutral Measure

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Consider a portfolio X of stocks and a money market account

- Initial capital $X(0)$
- At time t , hold $\Delta(t)$ shares of stock and invest $X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t)$ in a money market account

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From t to $t + dt$, the change of the value of portfolio is

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t) &= \Delta(t)dS(t) + R(t)(X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t))dt \\&= \Delta(t)(\alpha(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t)) \\&\quad + R(t)(X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t))dt \\&= R(t)X(t)dt + \sigma(t)\Delta(t)S(t)(\Theta(t)dt + dW(t)) \\&= R(t)X(t)dt + \sigma(t)\Delta(t)S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t)\end{aligned}$$

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The change of the discounted value of portfolio is

$$\begin{aligned}d(D(t)X(t)) &= D(t)dX(t) + X(t)dD(t) + dX(t)dD(t) \\&= D(t)dX(t) + X(t)dD(t) \\&= D(t)dX(t) - R(t)D(t)X(t)dt \\&= D(t) \left(R(t)X(t)dt + \sigma(t)\Delta(t)S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t) \right) \\&\quad - R(t)D(t)X(t)dt \\&= \sigma(t)D(t)\Delta(t)S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t)\end{aligned}$$

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The discounted value of portfolio is a martingale under the risk neutral measure.

$$\implies D(t)X(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[X(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

$$\implies X(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)}\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[X(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

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Let $V(T)$ be the payoff of a derivative and $V(T)$ is \mathcal{F}_T -measurable. Suppose we can choose a portfolio $X(t)$ of stocks and a money market account with an initial capital $X(0)$ such that

$$X(T, \omega) = V(T, \omega)$$

for all $\omega \in \Omega$.

\implies By non-arbitrage argument, we must have

$$X(t) = V(t) \quad \forall t$$

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From

$$X(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} [X(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

we have

$$V(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} [V(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

This implies

$$D(t)V(t) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}} [V(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

The discounted value $D(t)V(t)$ is a martingale under risk neutral measure.

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To summarize, under the assumptions

- $V(T)$ is \mathcal{F}_T -measurable
- there is a replicating portfolio of stocks and a money market account with initial capital $X(0)$

we can value the derivative V as

$$V(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-\int_t^T R(s)ds} V(T) | \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

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- The condition $V(T)$ is \mathcal{F}_T -measurable means the payoff of the derivative must be based on the information available up to time T , including path dependent derivative.
- The existence of a replicating portfolio will be justified later.

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Example

We consider the call option price in the Black-Scholes-Merton model (we assume constant interest rate and volatility). Using risk neutral pricing approach, we have

$$c(t, S(t)) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[e^{-r(T-t)}(S(T) - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

where $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}$ is the expectation under the risk neutral measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

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Example (Cont'd)

Under risk neutral measure, stock price follows

$$dS(t) = rS(t)dt + \sigma S(t)d\widetilde{W}(t)$$

Solving it, we have

$$S(T) = S(t)e^{(r-\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(T-t)+\sigma(W(T)-W(t))}$$

Substituting it into the pricing formula we have

$$c(0, S(t)) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[(S(t)e^{(r-\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(T-t)+\sigma(W(T)-W(t))} - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

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Example (Cont'd)

The conditional expectation can be computed explicitly by noticing that $S(t)$ is known at time t and $W(T) - W(t)$ is independent of \mathcal{F}_t and has a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, T - t)$.

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Two outstanding issues

- Does there always exist a replicating portfolio?
- If it exists, how do we find it (in theory)?

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Theorem

Let $W(t), 0 \leq t \leq T$ be a Brownian motion on a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ be the filtration generated by $W(t)$. Let $M(t)$ be a martingale w.r.t. $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$. Then there exists an adapted process $\Gamma(t)$ such that

$$M(t) = M(0) + \int_0^t \Gamma(s) dW(s)$$

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- The filtration needs to be generated by $W(t)$. In other words, the only source of uncertainty comes from the Brownian motion.
- From hedging perspective, we shall be able to hedge uncertainty with stock which is driven by the same Brownian motion.

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Given a \mathcal{F}_T -measurable payoff $V(T)$ of a financial derivative, we want to find a portfolio X consisting of $\Delta(t)$ shares of stock at time t and initial capital $X(0)$ such that $X(T) = V(T)$

- Define $U(t)$ as

$$U(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[V(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_t]$$

$D(t)U(t)$ is a martingale.

- Since $D(T)V(T)$ is \mathcal{F}_T measurable,

$$U(T) = \frac{1}{D(T)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[V(T)D(T)|\mathcal{F}_T] = V(T)$$

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- By Martingale Representation Theorem,

$$D(t)U(t) = U(0) + \int_0^t \Gamma(u) d\widetilde{W}(u)$$

- Suppose we have found $\Delta(t)$ to replicate the final payoff $V(T)$ (or $U(T)$). Under risk neutral measure the value of portfolio $X(t)$ is

$$D(t)X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t \Delta(u)\sigma(u)D(u)S(u)d\widetilde{W}(u)$$

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Comparing the two equations, if we want $X(T) = V(T)$, it suffices to have

$$X(0) = U(0)$$

and

$$\Delta(t) = \frac{\Gamma(t)}{\sigma(t)D(t)S(t)}$$

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Now we have found a portfolio whose payoff at time T is the same as $V(T)$. By our previous argument, $V(t)$ can be valued by

$$V(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-\int_t^T R(s)ds} V(T) | \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

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Two important assumptions

- $\sigma(t)$ is positive
- $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ is generated by the Brownian motion.

Under these two assumptions, every \mathcal{F}_T -measurable derivatives can be hedged. Such as model is said to be complete.

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Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_d)$ be two d -dimensional vectors.



$$x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_d y_d$$

is the inner product of the vectors x and y .



$$||x|| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_d^2}$$

is the L_2 -norm of the vector x .

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Theorem

Let $W(t) = (W_1(t), \dots, W_d(t))$ be a d -dimensional (Standard) Brownian motion, $\Theta(t) = (\Theta_1(t), \dots, \Theta_d(t))$ be a d -dimensional adapted process. Define

$$Z(t) = \exp \left\{ - \int_0^t \Theta(s) \cdot dW(s) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \|\Theta(s)\|^2 ds \right\}$$

and

$$\widetilde{W}(t) = W(t) + \int_0^t \Theta(s) ds$$

Assume

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|\Theta(s)\|^2 ds \right\} \right] < \infty$$

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Theorem (Cont'd)

Then

- $Z(t)$ is a martingale and $\mathbb{E}Z(t) = 1$
- Let $Z = Z(T)$ and define a probability measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ as

$$\frac{d\tilde{\mathbb{P}}}{d\mathbb{P}} = Z(\omega)$$

then $\tilde{W}(t)$ is a d -dimensional Brownian motion under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

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We assume m stocks,

$$\frac{dS_i(t)}{S_i(t)} = \alpha_i(t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t)dW_j(t)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$.

The discount process

$$D(t) = e^{-\int_0^t R(s)ds}$$

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The discounted stock prices

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dD(t)S_i(t)}{D(t)S_i(t)} &= \frac{dS_i(t)}{S_i(t)} + \frac{dD(t)}{D(t)} + \frac{dS_i(t)}{S_i(t)} \frac{dD(t)}{D(t)} \\ &= \frac{dS_i(t)}{S_i(t)} - R(t)dt \\ &= (\alpha_i(t) - R(t))dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t)dW_j(t)\end{aligned}$$

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Given $\Theta_j(t), j = 1, \dots, d$, from multidimensional Girsanov's Theorem, we can find a measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ such that

$$d\widetilde{W}_j(t) = dW_j(t) + \Theta_j(t)dt$$

is a multidimensional Brownian motion.

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The discounted stock prices

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dD(t)S_i(t)}{D(t)S_i(t)} &= (\alpha_i(t) - R(t)) dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) dW_j(t) \\ &= \left(\alpha_i(t) - R(t) - \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) \Theta_j(t) \right) dt \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) d\widetilde{W}_j(t)\end{aligned}$$

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If we can choose $\Theta_j(t)$ such that

$$\alpha_i(t) - R(t) - \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) \Theta_j(t) = 0, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

Then

$$\frac{dD(t)S_i(t)}{D(t)S_i(t)} = \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) d\widetilde{W}_j(t)$$

The discounted prices are martingales under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

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These equations are called *market price of risk equations*

$$\alpha_i(t) - R(t) - \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{i,j}(t) \Theta_j(t) = 0, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1(t) - R(t) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m(t) - R(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1,1}(t) & \dots & \sigma_{1,d}(t) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{m,1}(t) & \dots & \sigma_{m,d}(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Theta_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ \Theta_d(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

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What if there is no solution for these equations?
 \implies arbitrage! (See Example 5.4.4 in Shreve's book)

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Definition

A probability measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ is said to be a risk neutral measure if

- $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ and \mathbb{P} are equivalent, i.e., $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{P}(A) = 0$.
- The discounted prices $D(t)S_i(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, m$, are martingales under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

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Lemma

Under risk neutral measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, the discounted value of a portfolio X of stock shares and money market account is a martingale.

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Proof.

Let $X(t)$ be the value of a portfolio with stocks and cash, $\Delta_i(t)$ is the shares of stocks at time t . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & dX(t) \\ = & \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) dS_i(t) + R(t) (X(t) - \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) S_i(t)) dt \\ = & R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) (dS_i(t) - R(t) S_i(t)) dt \\ = & R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\Delta_i(t)}{D(t)} (D(t) dS_i(t) - R(t) D(t) S_i(t) dt) \\ = & R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\Delta_i(t)}{D(t)} d(D(t) S_i(t)) \end{aligned}$$



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$$\implies d(D(t)X(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) d(D(t)S_i(t))$$

Under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, $D(t)S_i(t)$ are martingales (i.e., no drift term), hence $D(t)X(t)$ is a martingale.



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Definition

An arbitrage is a portfolio X such that $X(0) = 0$ and for some $T > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(X(T) \geq 0) = 1$$

and

$$\mathbb{P}(X(T) > 0) > 0$$

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Remark: we can also replace \mathbb{P} with $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ in the definition.

■

$$\mathbb{P}(X(T) \geq 0) = 1 \iff \tilde{\mathbb{P}}(X(T) \geq 0) = 1$$

■

$$\mathbb{P}(X(T) > 0) > 0 \iff \tilde{\mathbb{P}}(X(T) > 0) > 0$$

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Theorem

If a market model has a risk neutral probability measure, then it does not admit arbitrage.

The converse is also true under some stronger conditions.

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Proof.

We prove by contradiction. Suppose there exists an arbitrage portfolio X with $X(0) = 0$, by the remark after the definition, we have

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(X(T) \geq 0) = 1$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(X(T) > 0) > 0$$

Since $D(T) > 0$, we must have

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(D(T)X(T) \geq 0) = 1$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(D(T)X(T) > 0) > 0$$



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Cont'd.

This implies

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}(D(T)X(T)) > 0$$

On the other hand, since $D(t)X(t)$ is a martingale under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, we must have

$$D(0)X(0) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)X(T)] = 0,$$

contradiction.



What if there are more than one risk neutral measure?

\implies We can construct financial derivatives that can't be fully hedged (replicated).

Let $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_1$ and $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_2$ be two different risk neutral measures. Since these two probability measures are different, there exists a set A such that $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_1(A) \neq \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_2(A)$.

We design a derivative V whose payoff at time T is

$$V(T) = \frac{1_A(\omega)}{D(T)}$$

If there exists a portfolio X that replicates the payoff of V at time T , then

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}_1(D(T)V(T)) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}_1(D(T)X(T)) = X(0)$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}_2(D(T)V(T)) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}_2(D(T)X(T)) = X(0)$$

\implies

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}_1(D(T)V(T)) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}_2(D(T)V(T))$$

Note that

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_1(A) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}_1(D(T)V(T))$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_2(A) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}_2(D(T)V(T))$$

we have

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_1(A) = \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_2(A)$$

This contradicts with the assumption

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_1(A) \neq \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_2(A)$$

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Under what conditions

- there exists a risk neutral measure?
- all derivatives are replicable?

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Definition

A market model is complete if every financial derivative can be hedged (replicated)

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Theorem

Assume that in the multidimensional market model, the filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$ is generated by the Brownian motion, then the following are equivalent

- 1 The market model is complete.*
- 2 $d \leq m$ and the instantaneous volatility matrix in the market price of risk equations has full rank for a.e. $t \in [0, T]$.*
- 3 There exists a unique martingale measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ for the discounted prices.*

Proof.

See Chapter 10, Marek[1].



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Two pricing approaches:

- PDE
- Risk neutral

How do we connect the two seemingly different approaches?
 \implies Feynman-Kac Theorem

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Definition

A stochastic differential equation (SDE) is an equation of the form

$$dX(t, \omega) = \beta(t, X(t, \omega))dt + \gamma(t, X(t, \omega))dW(t, \omega)$$

where $\beta(t, x)$ and $\gamma(t, x)$ are non-random functions of t and x , and are called *drift* and *diffusion* respectively.

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Definition

Given the initial condition

$$X(t) = x$$

a solution to the above SDE is stochastic process $X(T)$, $T \geq t$ such that

$$X(T) = X(t) + \int_t^T \beta(u, X(u))du + \int_t^T \gamma(u, X(u))dW(u)$$

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- The process X depends on initial condition. Different initial conditions lead to different stochastic processes.
- The process X starts from initial time t , not before t .
- Under certain (mild) conditions, the stochastic process X is uniquely determined by its initial value $X(t) = x$.

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Fix a Borel-function h . Let $X(T)$ be the solution of the SDE with initial condition $X(t) = x$. Define

$$g(t, x) = \mathbb{E}^{t, x} h(X(T))$$

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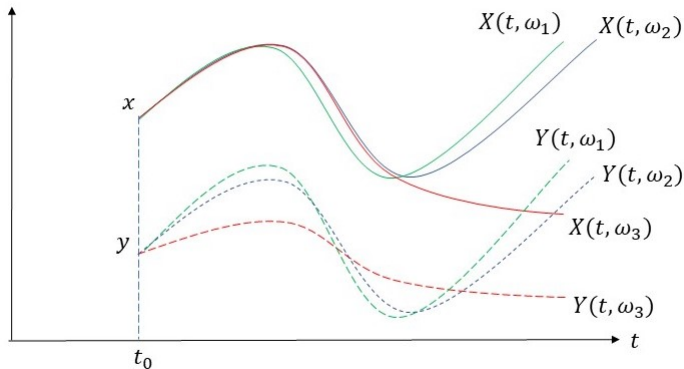
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Fix t_0 , $g(t, x)$ is determined by stochastic process starting from t_0 with initial value x .



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Theorem

Let $X(u)$, $u \geq 0$ be a solution to the SDE with initial condition $X(0)$. Then for $0 \leq t \leq T$

$$\mathbb{E}[h(X(T))|\mathcal{F}_t] = g(t, X(t))$$

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- LHS is for a specific stochastic process $X(t)$
- RHS is for a collection of stochastic processes starting from time t with initial value $X(t, \omega)$ dependent on ω .

ω
 $\Rightarrow X(t, \omega)$
 \Rightarrow initial condition for SDE
 \Rightarrow stochastic process

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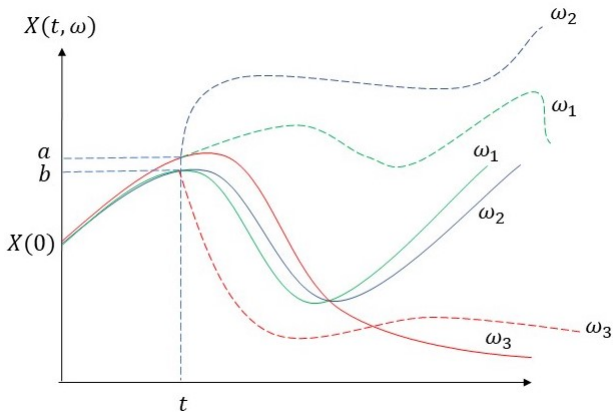
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We can better understand this by looking at the discretized version of X .

Let $t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T$. Then

$$X(t_{i+1}) \approx X(t_i) + \beta(t_i, X(t_i))dt_i + \gamma(t_i, X(t_i))dW(t_i)$$

where

$$dt_i = t_{i+1} - t_i$$

and

$$dW(t_i) = W(t_{i+1}) - W(t_i)$$

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Fix $j > i$, from this discretization we know $X(t_j)$ depends on the value of $X(t_i), dW(t_i), \dots, dW(t_{j-1})$ through the discretized schema.

In other words, for fixed i and j , there exists a function f such that

$$X(t_j, \omega) \approx f(X(t_i, \omega), dW(t_i, \omega), dW(t_{j-1}, \omega))$$

$X(t_j)$ depends on $X(t_i)$ which is a random variable.

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Now consider a stochastic process Y that starts with $Y(t_i) = y$, we have

$$Y(t_j, \omega) \approx f(y, dW(t_i, \omega), dW(t_{j-1}, \omega))$$

Note that y is fixed. That's the difference between $X(t_j)$ and $Y(t_j)$.

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The independence of $dW(t_i, \omega), dW(t_{j-1}, \omega)$ on $X(t_i)$ leads to Markov process.

If we let

$$g(t_i, y) = \mathbb{E}[Y(t_j, \omega)] = \mathbb{E}[f(y, dW(t_i, \omega), dW(t_{j-1}, \omega))]$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X(t_j)|\mathcal{F}_{t_i}] &= \mathbb{E}[f(X(t_i), dW(t_i), \dots, dW(t_{j-1}))|\mathcal{F}_{t_i}] \\ &= g(t_i, X(t_i))\end{aligned}$$

The last equality follows from the fact that $X(t_i)$ is \mathcal{F}_{t_i} -measurable and $dW(t_i), \dots, dW(t_{j-1})$ are independent of \mathcal{F}_{t_i} .

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Corollary

The solution to SDE $X(t)$ are Markov processes.

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Lemma

Let $X(t)$ be the solution to SDE with initial condition at time $t = 0$. Then $g(t, X(t))$ is a martingale

Proof.

Let $s < t$, we want to show

$$\mathbb{E}[g(t, X(t)) | \mathcal{F}_s] = g(s, X(s))$$

This follows from

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[g(t, X(t)) | \mathcal{F}_s] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[h(X(T)) | \mathcal{F}_t] | \mathcal{F}_s] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[h(X(T)) | \mathcal{F}_s] \\ &= g(s, X(s))\end{aligned}$$



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Theorem (Feynmann-Kac)

Consider the stochastic differential equation

$$dX(u) = \beta(u, X(u))dt + \gamma(u, X(u))dW(u)$$

Let h be a Borel function. Fix $T > 0$ and define

$$g(t, x) = \mathbb{E}^{t,x} h(X(T))$$

Then $g(t, x)$ satisfies the partial differential equation

$$g_t(t, x) + \beta(t, x)g_x(t, x) + \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2(t, x)g_{xx}(t, x) = 0$$

with terminal condition

$$g(T, x) = h(x) \quad \forall x$$

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The idea of proof is

- 1 Find a martingale
- 2 Take the differential
- 3 Set the drift term to 0

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Proof.

Note that $g(t, X(t))$ is martingale and

$$\begin{aligned} dg(t, X(t)) &= g_t dt + g_x dX(t) + \frac{1}{2} g_{xx} dX(t) dX(t) \\ &= (g_t + g_x \beta + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2 g_{xx}) dt + g_x \gamma dW(t) \end{aligned}$$

Since it is a martingale, the drift term must be zero, which implies

$$g_t(t, X(t)) + g_x(t, X(t))\beta(t, X(t)) + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2(t, X(t)) g_{xx}(t, X(t)) = 0$$

for all t and ω .



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Proof.

Hence we have

$$g_t(t, x) + g_x(t, x)\beta(t, x) + \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2(t, x)g_{xx}(t, x) = 0$$

for all (t, x) in the range of $(t, X(t))$. □

Feynman-Kac Theorem II

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Theorem (Discounted Feynmann-Kac)

Consider the stochastic differential equation

$$dX(u) = \beta(u, X(u))dt + \gamma(u, X(u))dW(u)$$

Let h be a Borel function. Fix $T > 0$ and define

$$f(t, x) = \mathbb{E}^{t, x} \left[e^{-r(T-t)} h(X(T)) \right]$$

Then $f(t, x)$ satisfies the partial differential equation

$$f_t(t, x) + \beta(t, x)f_x(t, x) + \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2(t, x)f_{xx}(t, x) = rf(t, x)$$

with terminal condition

$$f(T, x) = h(x) \quad \forall x$$

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Proof.

HW.

Hint: $e^{rt}f(t, X(t))$ is a martingale.



Feynman-Kac Theorem - Applications

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In the BSM model, under the risk neutral measure stock prices follow

$$\frac{dS(t)}{S(t)} = rdt + \sigma d\widetilde{W}(t)$$

The price of a derivative whose payoff is $h(S(T))$ at time T is

$$V(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-r(T-t)} h(S(T)) | \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

Note that

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-r(T-t)} h(S(T)) | \mathcal{F}_t \right] = e^{-r(T-t)} g(t, S(t))$$

Hence we can use the (discounted) Feynman-Kac Theorem to derive the BS equation.

$$V_t + rSV_S + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 V_{SS} = rV$$

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