

QF605 Fixed-Income Securities

Assignment 4, Due Date: 26-Mar-2025

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Step 1. split integral interval.

Payoff function $g(S_T)$ divided at K_1 and K_2 , so we can split the original integral into two parts:

$$\int_0^\infty h(K) \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}(K)}{\partial K^2} dK = \int_{K_1}^{K_2} \frac{K-K_1}{\text{IRR}(K)} \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}(K)}{\partial K^2} dK + \int_{K_2}^\infty \frac{K_2-K_1}{\text{IRR}(K)} \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}(K)}{\partial K^2} dK$$

Step 2. integrate by parts for each interval

interval $[K_1, K_2]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1(K) \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K^2} dK &= \left[h_1 \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \right]_{K_1}^{K_2} - \int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1' \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} dK \\ \int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1' \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K^2} dK &= - \left[h_1' V^{\text{pay}} \right]_{K_1}^{K_2} + \int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1'' V^{\text{pay}} dK \end{aligned}$$

interval $[K_2, \infty)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{K_2}^\infty h_2(K) \frac{\partial^2 V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K^2} dK &= \left[h_2 \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \right]_{K_2}^\infty - \int_{K_2}^\infty h_2' \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} dK \\ - \int_{K_2}^\infty h_2' \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} dK &= - \left[h_2' V^{\text{pay}} \right]_{K_2}^\infty + \int_{K_2}^\infty h_2'' V^{\text{pay}} dK \end{aligned}$$

Step 3. Merge the boundary term and integral term.

① boundary term: $K_1: -h_1(K_1) \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \Big|_{K_1} + h_1'(K_1) V^{\text{pay}}(K_1)$

$K_2: h_1(K_2) \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \Big|_{K_2} - h_1'(K_2) V^{\text{pay}}(K_2) - h_2(K_2) \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \Big|_{K_2} + h_2'(K_2) V^{\text{pay}}(K_2)$

infinity: assume $h_2(\infty) \frac{\partial V^{\text{pay}}}{\partial K} \Big|_\infty = 0$

$h_2'(\infty) V^{\text{pay}}(\infty) = 0$

② integral term: $\int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1''(K) V^{\text{pay}}(K) dK + \int_{K_2}^\infty h_2''(K) V^{\text{pay}}(K) dK$

We have $h_1(K) = \frac{K-K_1}{\text{IRR}(K)}$

$h_1'(K) = \frac{\text{IRR}(K) - (K-K_1)\text{IRR}'(K)}{\text{IRR}(K)^2}$

$h_1''(K) = \frac{-\text{IRR}''(K)(K-K_1) - 2\text{IRR}'(K)}{\text{IRR}(K)^2} + \frac{2 \cdot \text{IRR}'(K)^2(K-K_1)}{\text{IRR}(K)^3}$

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Therefore, the final static replication formula is:

$$\frac{1}{IRR(K_1)} V^{\text{pay}}(K_1) - \frac{1}{IRR(K_2)} V^{\text{pay}}(K_2) + \int_{K_1}^{K_2} h_1''(k) V^{\text{pay}}(k) dk + \int_{K_2}^{\infty} h_2''(k) V^{\text{pay}}(k) dk$$

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integrating both side from 0 to t:

$$\int_0^t dr_s = \int_0^t \theta(s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma dW_s^*$$

$$r_t - r_0 = \int_0^t \theta(s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma dW_s^*$$

$$r_t = r_0 + \int_0^t \theta(s)ds + \int_0^t \sigma dW_s^*$$

plug r_u into:

$$\int_0^T r_u du = \int_0^T \left[r_0 + \int_0^u \theta(s)ds + \int_0^u \sigma dW_s^* \right] du$$

$$= r_0 T + \int_0^T \left(\int_0^u \theta(s)ds \right) du + \int_0^T \left(\int_0^u \sigma dW_s^* \right) du$$

$$\int_0^T \left(\int_0^u \theta(s)ds \right) du = \int_0^T \theta(s) \left(\int_s^T du \right) ds = \int_0^T \theta(s) (T-s) ds$$

$$\int_0^T \left(\int_0^u \sigma dW_s^* \right) du = \sigma \int_0^T \left(\int_s^T du \right) dW_s^* = \sigma \int_0^T (T-s) dW_s^*$$

$$\int_0^T r_u du = r_0 T + \int_0^T \theta(s) (T-s) ds + \sigma \int_0^T (T-s) dW_s^*$$

The expectation of a random integral is 0 (a property of incremental Brownian Motion,

$$\text{So } E \left[\int_0^T r_u du \right] = r_0 T + \int_0^T \theta(s) (T-s) ds$$

$$V \left[\int_0^T r_u du \right] = \text{Var} \left[\sigma \int_0^T (T-s) dW_s^* \right]$$

$$= \sigma^2 \int_0^T (T-s)^2 ds$$

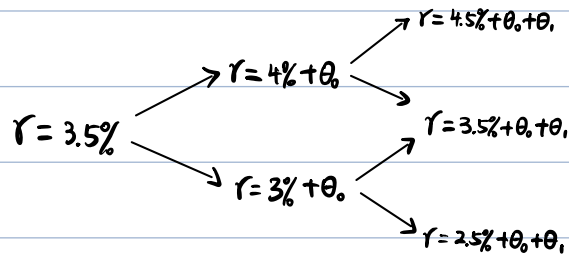
$$= \sigma^2 \int_0^T u^2 du \quad \text{let } u=T-s$$

$$= \sigma^2 \frac{T^3}{3}$$

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According to 1 year discount factor: $D(0, 1y) = 0.9656$, then $r_0 = -\ln(0.9656) \approx 0.035$

$$D(0, 2y) = D(0, 1y) \times [0.5 \cdot e^{-(4\% + \theta_0)} + 0.5 \cdot e^{-(3\% + \theta_0)}]$$

$$e^{-\theta_0} = \frac{0.9224/0.9656}{0.5(e^{-0.04} + e^{-0.03})}$$

$$e^{-\theta_0} \approx 0.9892$$

$$\theta_0 = -\ln(0.9892) \approx 0.01078 = 1.078\%$$

Then, $D(0, 3y) = 0.8903$.

$$D_u(1, 3y) = e^{-(4\% + \theta_0)} \cdot [0.5 \cdot e^{-(4.5\% + \theta_0 + \theta_1)} + 0.5 \cdot e^{-(3.5\% + \theta_0 + \theta_1)}]$$

plug $\theta_0 = 0.01078$:

$$D_u(1, 3y) \approx 0.90343 \cdot e^{-\theta_1}$$

$$D_d(1, 3y) = e^{-(3\% + \theta_0)} \cdot [0.5 \cdot e^{-(3.5\% + \theta_0 + \theta_1)} + 0.5 \cdot e^{-(2.5\% + \theta_0 + \theta_1)}]$$

plug $\theta_0 = 0.01078$:

$$D_d(1, 3y) = 0.92168 \cdot e^{-\theta_1}$$

$$\therefore D(0, 3y) = 0.9656 \cdot [0.5 \times 0.90343 + 0.5 \times 0.92168] e^{-\theta_1}$$

$$e^{-\theta_1} = \frac{0.8903}{0.9656 \times 0.91256} \approx 1.0097$$

$$\theta_1 = -\ln(1.0097)$$

$$\approx -0.01032$$

Finally, $\theta_0 = 0.01078$ and $\theta_1 = -0.01032$