

Consider a call option with maturity date  $T$ , strike price  $K$  with (28)  
the underlying stock price  $S(t)$  given by

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

The payoff at maturity time is  $V(T) = \max\{S_T - K, 0\}$

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

Proposition:- The price of a European call option at time  $t$  is  
given by  $C(t, x) = x N(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2)$

$$d_1 = d_2 + \sigma \sqrt{T-t}$$

$$= \frac{\ln x/K + (r + \sigma^2/2)(T-t)}{\sigma \sqrt{T-t}}$$

$$N(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^u e^{-x^2/2} dx.$$

cash-or-nothing contract

$$V(T) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } S(T) \geq K \\ 0 & \text{if } S(T) < K. \end{cases}$$

Substituting  $S(t) = e^{X(t)}$ , the payoff becomes

$$V(T) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X(T) \geq \ln K \\ 0 & \text{if } S(T) < \ln K. \end{cases}$$

$$S(T) = S(t) e^{(r - \sigma^2/2)(T-t) + \sigma(\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))}.$$

$X(T)$  has the normal distribution

$$X(T) \sim N(\ln S(t) + (r - \sigma^2/2)(T-t), \sigma^2(T-t))$$

$$V(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \widehat{\mathbb{E}}[V(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)]$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V_T(x) p(x) dx$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{\ln K}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma \sqrt{T-t}} e^{-\frac{[x - \ln S(t) - (r - \sigma^2/2)(T-t)]^2}{2\sigma^2(T-t)}} dx$$

Let  $y = \frac{x - \ln S(t) - (r - \sigma^2/2)(T-t)}{\sigma \sqrt{T-t}}$ , then

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{-d_2}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy = e^{-r(T-t)} \int_{-\infty}^{d_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2).$$

Exercise:-  $v(t) = \begin{cases} S(t) & \text{if } S(t) \geq K \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

show that the price of the contract at time  $t$  is  $V(t) = S(t) N(d_1)$ .

~~If the~~ The superposition principle:-

If the payoff of a derivative  $f(T)$ , can be written as a linear combination of payoffs

$$f(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i V_i(T), \text{ with } c_i \text{ constants.}$$

then the price at time  $t$  is given by

$$f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i v_i(t)$$

where  $v_i(t)$  is the price at time  $t$  of a derivative that pays at maturity  $V_i(T)$ .

$$f(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \widehat{\mathbb{E}}[f(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)]$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \widehat{\mathbb{E}}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n c_i V_i(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)\right]$$

$$= e^{-r(T-t)} \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \widehat{\mathbb{E}}[V_i(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)] = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i v_i(t)$$

call option:-

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$$C(T) = \max \{ S(T) - K, 0 \}$$

$$= V_1(T) - K V_2(T)$$

with 
$$V_1(T) = \begin{cases} S(T) & \text{if } S(T) \geq K \\ 0 & \text{if } S(T) < K \end{cases} \quad V_2(T) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } S(T) \geq K \\ 0 & \text{if } S(T) < K \end{cases}$$

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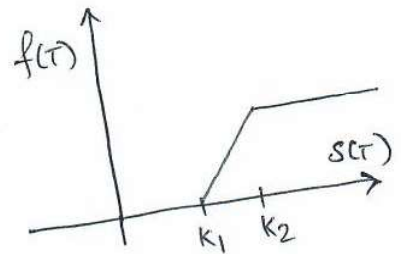
$$= S(t) N(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2)$$

Packages:- Packages are derivatives whose payoffs are linear combinations of payoff of options, cash and underlying asset.

- They can be priced using the superposition principle

The Bull spread:- Let  $0 < K_1 < K_2$ . A derivative with the payoff

$$f(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K_1 \\ S(T) - K_1 & \text{if } K_1 < S(T) \leq K_2 \\ K_2 - K_1 & \text{if } K_2 < S(T) \end{cases}$$



is called a bull spread

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$$C_1(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K_1 \\ S(T) - K_1 & \text{if } K_1 < S(T) \end{cases}$$

$$C_2(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K_2 \\ S(T) - K_2 & \text{if } S(T) > K_2 \end{cases}$$

using the superposition principle, the price of a bull spread at time  $t$  is

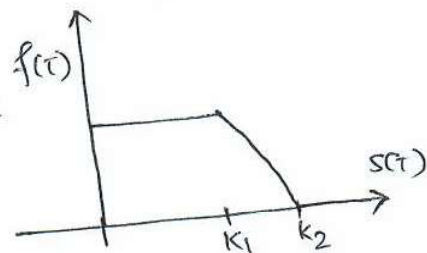
$$f(t) = C_1(t) - C_2(t) = S(t) N(d_1(K_1)) - K_1 e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2(K_1)) - (S(t) N(d_1(K_2)) - K_2 e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2(K_2)))$$

with 
$$d_2(K_i) = \frac{\ln S(t) - \ln K_i + (r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t)}{\sigma \sqrt{T-t}}, \quad d_1(K_i) = d_2(K_i) + \sigma \sqrt{T-t}, \quad i=1, 2$$



The Bear spread:- let  $0 < K_1 < K_2$ . A derivative with the payoff

$$f(T) = \begin{cases} K_2 - K_1 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K_1 \\ K_2 - S(T) & \text{if } K_1 < S(T) \leq K_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } K_2 < S(T). \end{cases}$$

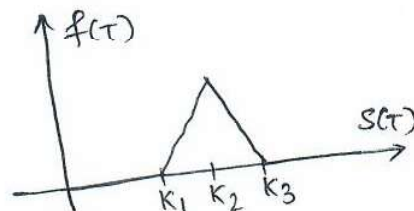


is called a bear spread.

Exercise:- Find the price of a bear spread at time  $t$  with  $t < T$ .  
(write down the payoff as a difference of two puts, one with strike price  $K_1$  and the other with strike price  $K_2$ )

The Butterfly spread:- let  $0 < K_1 < K_2 < K_3$  with  $K_2 = \frac{K_1 + K_3}{2}$ . A butterfly spread is a derivative with the payoff given by

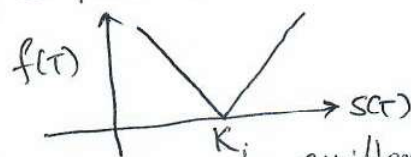
$$f(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K_1 \\ S(T) - K_1 & \text{if } K_1 < S(T) \leq K_2 \\ K_3 - S(T) & \text{if } K_2 < S(T) < K_3 \\ 0 & \text{if } K_3 \leq S(T). \end{cases}$$



Exercise:- Find the price of a butterfly spread at time  $t$  with  $t < T$

(Hint  $f(T) = C_1 + C_3 - 2C_2$ , where  $C_i$  is a call with strike price  $K_i$ .)

straddles:- A derivative with the payoff  $f(T) = |S(T) - K|$  is called a straddle.



Exercise (a) show that the payoff of a straddle can be written as

$$f(T) = \begin{cases} K - S(T) & \text{if } S(T) \leq K \\ S(T) - K & \text{if } S(T) > K. \end{cases}$$

(b) Find the price of a straddle at time  $t$ , with  $t < T$ .