

④ A portfolio - consumption pair (h, c) is called self-financing if the value process V^h satisfies the condition

$$dV_t^h = \sum_{i=1}^N h_t^i \{dS_t^i + dD_t^i\} - c_t dt,$$

i.e., if $dV_t^h = h_t dS_t + h_t dD_t - c_t dt.$

⑤ The portfolio h is said to be Markovian if it is of the form $h_t = h(t, S(t))$

for some function $h: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N.$

Defn:- For a given portfolio h the corresponding relative portfolio on portfolio weights ω is given by

$$\omega_t^i = \frac{h_t^i S_t^i}{V_t^h}, i=1, 2, \dots, N$$

where we have $\sum_{i=1}^N \omega_t^i = 1.$

Lemma:- A portfolio - consumption pair (h, c) is self-financing if and only if

$$dV_t^h = V_t^h \cdot \sum \omega_t^i \frac{dS_t^i + dD_t^i}{S_t^i} - c_t dt.$$

Remark:- If $D_t \equiv 0$ and $C_t \equiv 0$ then

$$dV_t^h = h_t dS_t = \sum_{i=1}^N h_t^i dS_t^i$$

and $dV_t^h = V_t^h \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_t^i \frac{dS_t^i}{S_t^i}$

Let us consider a financial market consisting of only two assets: a risk free asset with price process $B(t)$ and a stock with price process $S(t)$.

The price process $B(t)$ is the price of a risk free asset it has the dynamics

$$dB(t) = r(t)B(t)dt$$

where $r(t)$ is any adapted process.

$$\Rightarrow B(t) = B(0) \exp \left\{ \int_0^t r(s) ds \right\}.$$

We assume that the stock price $S(t)$ is given by

$$dS(t) = S(t) \mu(t, S(t))dt + S(t) \sigma(t, S(t))dW(t).$$

where W is a Wiener Process (Brownian motion) and μ and σ are given functions. The function σ known as the volatility of S , and μ is the local mean rate of return of S .

Defn:- consider a financial market with vector price process S . A contingent claim with date of maturity (exercise date) T , also called a T -claim, is any random variable $X \in \mathcal{F}_T^S$, where $\mathcal{F}_T^S = \sigma\{S_t : 0 \leq t \leq T\}$. A contingent claim X is called a simple claim if it is of the form $X = \phi(S_T)$. The function ϕ is called the contract function.

Example:- The European call is a simple contingent claim, for which the contract function is given by

$$\phi(x) = \max\{x - K, 0\}.$$

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- our main problem is to determine a fair price for the claim, and we will use the notation $\pi(t, X)$ for the price process of the claim X , where we suppress the X . In the case of a simple claim we will sometimes write $\pi(t, \phi)$.

Note that for any contingent claim X we have the relation

$$\pi(T, X) = X.$$

and in the particular case of a simple claim $X = \phi(s(\tau))$

$$\pi(t, X) = \phi(s(t)).$$

Defn:- An arbitrage possibility on a financial market is a self-financed portfolio h such that

$$V^h(0) = 0$$

$$\mathbb{P}(V^h(\tau) \geq 0) = 1 \text{ and } \mathbb{P}(V^h(\tau) > 0) > 0.$$

We say that the market is arbitrage free if there are no arbitrage possibilities.

Assumption:- We assume that the price process $\pi(t, X)$ is such that there are no arbitrage possibilities on the market consisting of $(B(t), S(t), \pi(t, X))$.

We interpret an arbitrage possibility as a serious case of mispricing in the market, and our main assumption is that the market is efficient in the sense that no arbitrage is possible.

- A natural question is how we can identify an arbitrage possibility.

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Proposition:- suppose that there exists a self-financing portfolio h , such that the value process v^h has the dynamics

$$dv^h(t) = k(t)v^h(t)dt,$$

where k is an adapted process. Then it must hold that $k(t) = r(t)$ for all t , or there exists an arbitrage possibility.

Proof:- For simplicity assume that k and r are constant and $k > r$. Then we can borrow money from the bank at the rate r . This money is immediately invested in the portfolio strategy h where it will grow at the rate k with $k > r$.

Thus the net investment at $t=0$ is zero, whereas our wealth at any time $t > 0$ will be positive. In other words we have an arbitrage.

On the other hand if $r > k$, we sell the portfolio h short and invest this money in the bank, and again there is an arbitrage.

The main point of the above is that if a portfolio has a value process whose dynamics contain no driving Wiener process, i.e., a locally risk free portfolio, then the rate of return of that portfolio must equal to the short rate of interest.

The Black-Scholes Equation:-

We assume that the ~~given~~ market consists of two assets with price dynamics given by

$$dB(t) = rB(t)dt$$

$$dS(t) = S(t)\mu(t, S(t))dt + S(t)\sigma(t, S(t))dW(t)$$

We consider a simple contingent claim $X = \phi(S(T))$

We assume that this claim can be traded on a market and its price process $\pi(t, \phi)$ has the form

$$\pi(t, \phi) = F(t, S(t)) := \pi(t)$$

for some smooth function F .

$$d\pi(t) = dF(t, S(t)) = F_t(t, S(t))dt + F_x(t, S(t))dS(t) + \frac{1}{2}F_{xx}(t, S(t))dS(t)dS(t)$$

$$= (F_t + \mu S F_x + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 F_{xx})(t, S(t))dt + (\sigma S F_x)(t, S(t))dW(t)$$

$$\text{Then } d\pi(t) = \mu_\pi(t)\pi(t)dt + \sigma_\pi(t)\pi(t)dW(t)$$

$$\text{where } \mu_\pi(t) = \frac{F_t + \mu S F_x + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 F_{xx}}{F}$$

$$\sigma_\pi(t) = \frac{\sigma S F_x}{F} \text{ (shorthand notation)}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma(t, S(t)) S(t) F_x(t, S(t))}{F(t, S(t))}.$$

Let us now form a portfolio based on two assets: the underlying stock and the derivative asset. Denoting the relative portfolio by (u_S, u_π) . Then the value V of the portfolio is

$$dV(t) = V(t) \left\{ u_S [\mu dt + \sigma dW] + u_\pi [\mu_\pi dt + \sigma_\pi dW] \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow dV(t) = V(t) [u_S \mu + u_\pi \mu_\pi] dt + V(t) [u_S \sigma + u_\pi \sigma_\pi] dW$$

The only restriction on the relative portfolio is that we must have $u_S + u_\pi = 1$

Let us define the relative portfolio by the linear system of equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u_S + u_\pi &= 1 \\ u_S \sigma + u_\pi \sigma_\pi &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} u_S &= \frac{\sigma_\pi}{\sigma_\pi - \sigma} \\ u_\pi &= \frac{-\sigma}{\sigma_\pi - \sigma} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } dV(t) = V(t) [u_S \mu + u_\pi \mu_\pi] dt$$

Thus we have obtained a locally riskless portfolio and the market is arbitrage free, hence we must have

$$u_S \mu + u_\pi \mu_\pi = r \quad \dots \textcircled{*}$$

$$\text{Also we have } u_S = \frac{\sigma_\pi}{\sigma_\pi - \sigma} = \frac{\sigma S F_{x/F}}{\sigma S F_{x/F} - \sigma} = \frac{S(t) F_x(t, S(t))}{S(t) F_x(t, S(t)) - F(t, S(t))} \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$u_\pi = \frac{-\sigma}{\sigma_\pi - \sigma} = \frac{-F(t, S(t))}{S(t) F_x(t, S(t)) - F(t, S(t))} \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$$

Now we substitute ① & ② into ②, then we obtain

$$\frac{S F_x}{S F_x - F} \mu + \left(\frac{-1}{S F_x - F} \right) \left(\frac{F_t + \mu S F_x + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2 F_{xx}}{1} \right) = r$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\mu S F_x} - F_t - \cancel{\mu S F_x} - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2 F_{xx} = r S F_x - r F$$

$$\Rightarrow F_t + rS F_x + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S^2 F_{xx} = rF$$

Also, we must have the relation

$$\pi(T, \phi) = \phi(S(\tau)).$$

So, F has to satisfy the following PDE

$$\left. \begin{aligned} F_t(t, x) + rx F_x(t, x) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 F_{xx}(t, x) &= rF(t, x) \\ F(T, x) &= \phi(x) \end{aligned} \right\}.$$

Definition:- We say that a T -claim X can be replicated, alternatively that it is reachable or hedgeable, if there exists a self-financing portfolio h such that

$$V_T^h = X$$

In this case we say that h is a hedge against X . Alternatively, h is called a replicating or hedging portfolio. If every contingent claim is reachable we say that the market is complete.

Meta-theorem:- Let M denote the numbers of underlying traded assets in the model excluding the risk-free asset, and let R denote the numbers of random sources. Generically we then have the following relations:-

- ① The model is arbitrage-free iff $M \leq R$
- ② The model is complete if and only if $M \geq R$
- ③ The model is complete and arbitrage-free iff $M = R$.

As an example we take the Black-Scholes model, where we have

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one underlying asset S plus the risk-free asset so $M=1$. We have one driving Wiener process, giving us $R=1$, so in fact $M=R$. Using the meta-theorem above we expect the Black-Scholes model to be arbitrage free as well as complete and this is indeed the case.

Incomplete Market:-

We know from the meta-theorem that markets generically are incomplete when there are more random sources than there are traded assets and this can occur in an ~~inf~~ infinite number of ways, so there is no "canonical" way of writing down a model of an incomplete market. Hence we study a particular type of incomplete market, namely a "factor model", i.e., a market where there are some non-traded underlying objects. Before we go on to the formal description of the model let us briefly recall what we may expect in an incomplete market model

- since the market is incomplete we will not be able to hedge a generic contingent claim.
- In particular there will not be a unique price for a generic derivative.

Hence we consider a simplest possible incomplete market, namely a market where the only randomness comes from a stochastic process $x(t)$ which is not the price of a traded asset. The model is as follows

$$\begin{cases} dx(t) = \mu(t, x(t))dt + \sigma(t, x(t))dW(t) \\ dB(t) = rB(t)dt \end{cases}$$