

# Valuation of Convertible Bonds with Credit Risk

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# Introduction

## Project Objective:

- Understand and implement pricing of a convertible bond with credit risk:
  - Finite Difference Model
  - Binomial Model

# Literature

## Finite Difference Model:

- Ho and Pfeffer (1996) and Tsiveriotis and Fernandes (1998) modelled the derivative using geometric Brownian motion
- Ayache et al. (2003) modelled non-total default jump of the stock

## Binomial Model:

- Davis and Lischka (2002) first proposed a trinomial tree
- Bardhan et al. (1994), and Hull (2011) have implemented a binomial tree
- Milanov and Kounchev (2012) implemented a binomial model that converges to the stochastic model

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# Convertible Bond (1/3)

## Definition. (Convertible Bond)

*A convertible bond has the following components:*

- *Annuity: a series of coupons with a final redemption payment*
- *Put: a put option on the bond for the bond holder*
- *Call: a call option on the bond for the bond issuer*
- *Conversion: an asset swap for stock by the bond holder*

# Convertible Bond (2/3)

## Definition. (Convertible Bond)

A convertible bond has the following components<sup>a</sup>:

- Annuity: Coupons:  $C_i$  at  $t_i$ ; Redemption:  $R$  at  $T$
- Put: Strike:  $K_t^p$  for  $t \in \Omega^p$ ; Payoff:  $K_t^p 1_{(V_t \leq K_t^p) \wedge (t \in \Omega^p)}(V_t, t)$
- Call: Strike:  $K_t^c$  for  $t \in \Omega^c$ ; Payoff:  $K_t^c 1_{(V_t \geq K_t^c) \wedge (t \in \Omega^c)}(V_t, t)$
- Conversion: Stock:  $\kappa_t S_t$  for  $t \in \Omega^\nu$ ; Payoff:  
 $\kappa_t S_t 1_{(V_t \leq \kappa_t S_t) \wedge (t \in \Omega^\nu)}(V_t, t)$

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<sup>a</sup>  $V_t$  denoted the intrinsic value of the derivative

# Convertible Bond (3/3)

## Definition. (Convertible Bond)

*A convertible bond has the following components:*

- *Annuity:  $t_i \neq T$*
- *Put:  $T \notin \Omega^P$*
- *Call:  $T \notin \Omega^V$ ;  $K_t^C > K_t^P$*
- *Conversion:  $\kappa > 0$ ;  $T \in \Omega^V$ ; supersedes the put and call option*

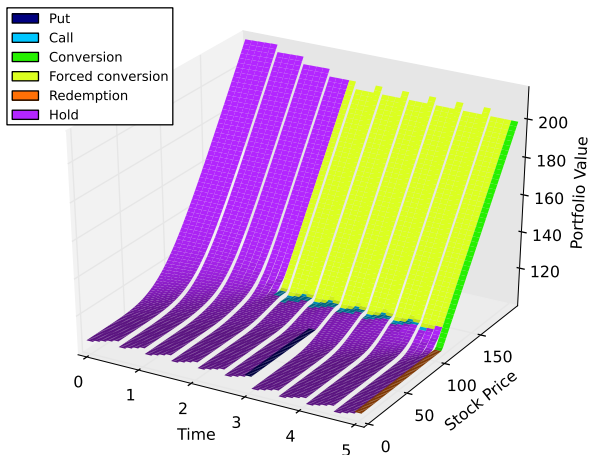


# Payoff and Actions

Action	Payoff	Condition
Put	$K_t^p$	$(V_t \leq K_t^p) \wedge (t \in \Omega^p) \wedge [(\kappa_t S_t < V_t) \vee (t \notin \Omega^v)]$
Call	$K_t^c$	$(V_t \geq K_t^c) \wedge (t \in \Omega^c) \wedge [(\kappa_t S_t < K_t^c) \vee (t \notin \Omega^v)]$
Conversion	$\kappa_t S_t$	$(\kappa_t S_t \geq V_t) \wedge (t \in \Omega^v)$
Forced conversion	$\kappa_t S_t$	$(V_t > \kappa_t S_t \geq K_t^c) \wedge (t \in \Omega^v) \wedge (t \in \Omega^c)$
Redemption	$R$	$(t = T) \wedge [(\kappa_t S_t \leq R) \vee (t \notin \Omega^v)]$
Hold		<i>otherwise</i>

**Table :** Payoff for the convertible bond.  $V_t$  is the intrinsic value of the derivative

# Payoff and Actions



# Credit Risk

## Definition. (Convertible Bond on Default)

*In default the convertible bond has the following components:*

- Annuity: residual value<sup>a</sup> of  $\gamma R$
- Conversion: stock price of  $(1 - \eta)\kappa_t S_t$

*The value (payoff) the convertible bond is:*

$$X_t = \max(\underbrace{\gamma R}_{\text{recovery rate}}, \underbrace{(1 - \eta)\kappa_t S_t}_{\text{haircut/ reduction in the stock value in case of default}}) \quad (1)$$

*Default is considered terminal.*

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<sup>a</sup>This is assuming the bond recovery is based on the redemption value.  
Another possibility is to base the recovery on the bond value at time  $t$ .

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# Stock Process with Credit Risk (1/3)

## Definition. (Geometric Brownian with Credit Risk)

A stock process with geometric Brownian motion, with a **jump** component to model the default event, has the following stochastic differential equation:

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + \sigma S_t d\tilde{W}_t - \eta S_t dq_t \quad (2)$$

with  $q_t$  being a Poisson process with intensity  $\lambda$  **where the first event  $q_t = 1$  is the default event.**

# Stock Process with Credit Risk (2/3)

## Corollary.

The stochastic process  $q_t$ , when representing **terminal default**, follows an **exponential distribution** with:

$$q_t \sim \exp(\lambda) \quad (3)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(q_{t+dt} = 1 | q_t = 0) = \lambda dt \quad (4)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[dq_t] = \lambda dt \quad (5)$$

$$\tilde{\text{Var}}[dq_t] = \lambda dt \quad (6)$$

# Stock Process with Credit Risk (3/3)

## Corollary.

Under *risk neutral probability space* the drift rate of  $S_t$  is  $\mu = (r + \lambda\eta)$  and the stochastic differential equation is:

$$dS_t = (r + \lambda\eta)S_t dt + \sigma S_t d\tilde{W}_t - \eta S_t dq_t \quad (7)$$

# Partial Differential Equation

## Theorem. (Black-Scholes with Default)

*The price of an option, on an underlying  $S_t$ , has the following partial differential equation:*

$$(r + \lambda)V_t = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + (r + \lambda\eta)S_t \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} + \lambda X_t \quad (8)$$



# Derivation

The following steps are used in the derivation for Equation 8:

- 1 Create a portfolio  $\Pi_t = V_t - \Delta_t S_t$
- 2 Invest the residual of  $\Pi_t$  at the risk free rate:  $d\Pi_t = r\Pi_t dt$
- 3 Equate the expected value of the derivative of  $\Pi_t$  with the risk free rate:

$$r\Pi_t dt = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[d\Pi_t] = \tilde{\mathbb{P}}(q_{t+dt} = 0) \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[d(V_t - \Delta_t S_t) | q_{t+dt} = 0] + \tilde{\mathbb{P}}(q_{t+dt} = 1) \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[d(V_t - \Delta_t S_t) | q_{t+dt} = 1] \quad (9)$$

- 4 Note that the derivative of  $\Pi_t$  when going into default is:

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}}[d(V_t - \Delta_t S_t) | q_{t+dt} = 1] = X_t - (1 - \eta)\Delta_t S_t - (V_t - \Delta_t S_t) \quad (10)$$

- 5 Choose  $\Delta_t = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}$  to eliminate the  $d\tilde{W}_t$  terms

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# Binomial Tree (1/2)

## Definition. (Binomial Process with Default)

*A binomial process with up movement  $u$  and down movement  $d$  and a terminal default event  $(1 - \eta)$  has the following mass distribution function:*

$$f(S_{t+\delta t}) = \begin{cases} p_u & \text{if } S_{t+\delta t} = uS_t \\ p_d & \text{if } S_{t+\delta t} = dS_t \\ p_o & \text{if } S_{t+\delta t} = (1 - \eta)S_t \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

# Binomial Tree (2/2)

## Corollary.

*The expected value and variance of the Binomial Process with Default is:*

$$\tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[ \frac{S_{t+\delta t}}{S_t} \right] = up_u + dp_d + (1 - \eta)p_o \quad (12)$$

$$\tilde{\text{Var}} \left[ \frac{S_{t+\delta t}}{S_t} \right] = u^2 p_u + d^2 p_d + (1 - \eta)^2 p_o - \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[ \frac{S_{t+\delta t}}{S_t} \right]^2 \quad (13)$$

# Binomial Process (1/2)

## Theorem. (Binomial Process with Default)

*A Binomial Process with Default has the following parameters:*

$$u = e^{\sigma\sqrt{\delta t}}$$

$$d = e^{-\sigma\sqrt{\delta t}}$$

$$p_u = \frac{e^{r\delta t} - de^{-\lambda\delta t} - (1 - \eta)(1 - e^{-\lambda\delta t})}{u - d}$$

$$p_d = e^{-\lambda\delta t} - p_u$$

$$p_o = 1 - e^{-\lambda\delta t}$$

$$V_t = e^{-r\delta t}(V_t^u p_u + V_t^d p_d + X_t p_o) + c_i$$

# Binomial Process (2/2)

## Theorem. (Binomial Process with Default)

*A Binomial Process with Default has the following restrictions on the parameters:*

$$0 < \sigma$$

$$0 \leq \lambda$$

$$0 < \delta t$$

$$\delta t \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{r^2}$$

$$\delta t \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} \ln \left( \frac{u - (1 - \eta)}{e^{r\delta t} - (1 - \eta)} \right)$$

# Derivation (1/3)

The following steps are used in the derivation for the parameters of the Binomial Process with Default.

- ① Note that the arrival time of a default event follows an exponential distribution with hazard rate  $\lambda$ :

$$p_o = 1 - e^{-\lambda \delta t} \quad (14)$$

$$p_d = e^{-\lambda \delta t} - p_u \quad (15)$$

- ② Equate  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}\left[\frac{S_{t+\delta t}}{S_t}\right]$  with  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}\left[\frac{S_{t+dt}}{S_t}\right] = e^{r\delta t}$ , where  $dt \cong \delta t$
- ③ Equate  $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}\text{ar}\left[\frac{S_{t+\delta t}}{S_t}\right]$  with  $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}\text{ar}\left[\frac{S_{t+dt}}{S_t}\right] = (\sigma^2 + \lambda\eta^2)\delta t$ , where  $dt \cong \delta t$ 
  - ① Assume  $\delta t^2 = 0$
  - ②  $ud = 1$
  - ③  $u = e^{\sqrt{A\delta t}}$
  - ④ Use Taylor series expansion for all exponential terms

# Derivation (2/3)

The following steps are used in the derivation for the valuation of the Binomial Process with Default.

- 1 Construct a portfolio  $\Pi_t = V_t - \Delta_t S_t$  with:

$$\Pi_{t+\delta t} = \begin{cases} V_t^u - \Delta_t S_t u & \text{with probability } p_u \\ V_t^d - \Delta_t S_t d & \text{with probability } p_d \\ X_t - (1 - \eta)\Delta_t S_t & \text{with probability } p_o \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

- 2 Invest the residual of  $\Pi_t$  at the risk free rate:  $\Pi_{t+\delta t} = \Pi_t e^{r\delta t}$
- 3 Equate the expected value of  $\Pi_{t+\delta t}$  with the risk free rate:

$$\Pi_t e^{r\delta t} = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[\Pi_{t+\delta t}] \quad (17)$$

- 4 Choose  $\Delta_t = \frac{V_t^u - V_t^d}{S_t(u-d)}$  to hedge against up and down movements of the stock



# Derivation (3/3)

The following steps are used in the derivation for the limits of the Binomial Process with Default.

- ① Note that  $\{p_u, p_d, p_o\}$  is required to be a valid probability set:

$$\min(p_u, p_d, p_o) \geq 0 \quad (18)$$

$$p_u + p_d + p_o = 1 \quad (19)$$

- ② Using the relationship between  $p_u$ ,  $p_d$  and  $p_o$  the following inequality needs to hold:

$$0 \leq p_u \leq e^{-\lambda \delta t} \quad (20)$$

- ③ Impose the requirements that  $\lambda \delta t \geq 0$

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# Parameters for the Convertible Bond

Consider the following parameters of a Convertible Bond:

Component	Parameter	Value
Annuity	Notional	100
	Coupon	8%
	Coupon frequency	Semi-annually
	Maturity	$T := 5$
	Recovery	$\gamma := 0\%$
Put	Strike	$K_t^P := 105$
	Period(s)	$\Omega^P := \{3\}$
Call	Strike	$K_t^C := 110 + C_i \frac{t \pmod{0.5}}{0.5}$
	Period(s)	$\Omega^C := [2, 5]$
Conversion	Quantity of stocks	$\kappa_t := 1$
	Period(s)	$\Omega^V := [0, 5]$

Table : Convertible Bond Parameters

# Parameters for the Stock

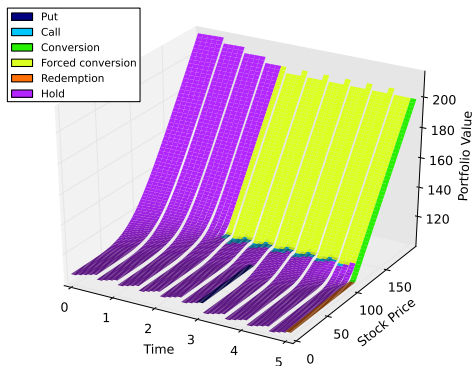
Parameter	Value
Risk free rate	$r := 5\%$
Volatility	$\sigma := 20\%$
Hazard rate	$\lambda := 2\%$
Default (total)	$\eta := 100\%$
Default (typical <sup>1</sup> )	$\eta := 30\%$
Default (partial)	$\eta := 0\%$

Table : Stock Parameters

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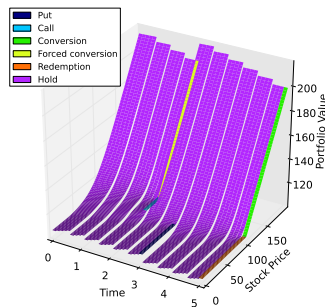
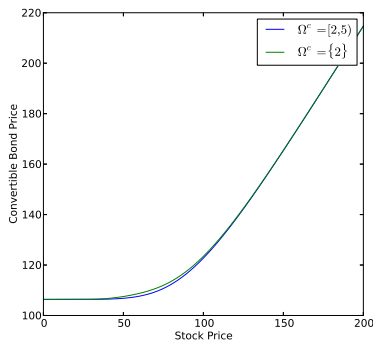
<sup>1</sup>Beneish and Press (1995) found that stock prices typically drop 30% on announcement of default

# Payoff and Action



**Figure :** Payoff of the convertible bond with total default and colours indicating the action taken for that payoff.  $\delta t = 2^{-3}$ ,  $\delta S_t = 2^1$  and  $S_t \in [0, 250]$ .

# Simplified Call



**Figure :** Comparison of initial value of the standard convertible bond compared to one with a singular time for the call provision. Also the payoff of the “simple call” and colours indicating the action taken for the payoff.

# Varying Call Time

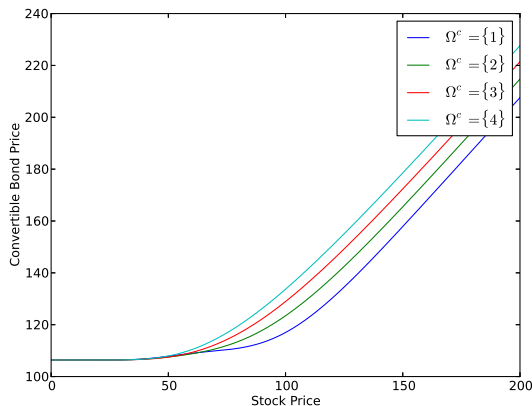
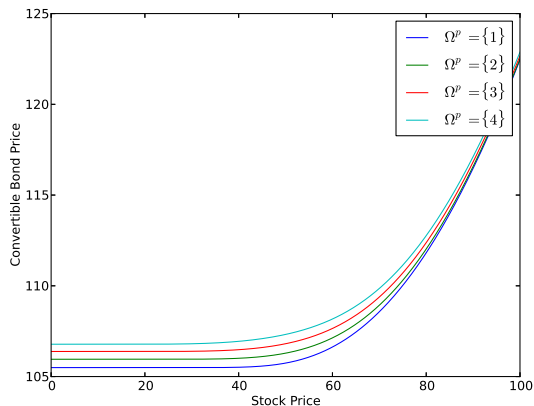


Figure : Comparison of initial value of convertible bonds with different times for the call provision.

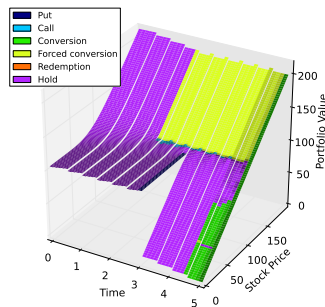
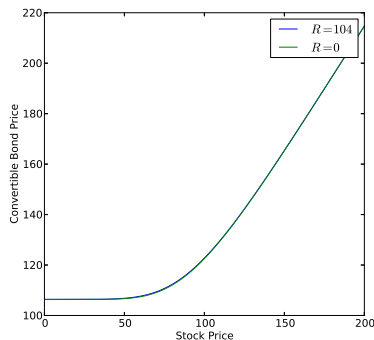
# Varying Put Time



**Figure :** Comparison of initial value of convertible bonds with different times for the put provision.



# Varying Redemption Value



**Figure :** Comparison of initial value of standard convertible bonds to one with no redemption value. Also the payoff of the “no redemption” and colours indicating the action taken for the payoff.

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