

HS-801 Financial Economics (ENDSEM)



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Q1) Given, European Call Option

Stock Price (S_0) = 49 \$

Strike Price (k) = 50 \$

risk free rate (r) = 5% = 0.05

volatility (σ) = 20% = 0.2

time to maturity (T) = 20 weeks = $\frac{20 \times 7}{365}$ years

We know, Call Option Price (C) { From BSH equation,
call option price

$$= S_0 N(d_1) - k e^{-rT} N(d_2)$$

where, N is cumulative normal distribution

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(S_0/k) + (r + \sigma^2/2)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}$$

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

$$T = T - t$$

strike current
date date

$\Rightarrow \text{Theta}(\theta) = -\frac{dc}{dT} =$ rate of change of option price
w.r.t. passage of time

$$= -\frac{d}{dT} (S_0 N(d_1) - k e^{-rT} N(d_2))$$

$$= -S_0 \frac{\partial N(d_1)}{\partial T} + (-r) \cdot k \cdot e^{-rT} N(d_2) + k e^{-rT} \frac{\partial N(d_2)}{\partial T}$$

$$= -S_0 \cdot \frac{\partial N(d_1)}{\partial d_1} \cdot \frac{\partial d_1}{\partial T} - \gamma k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot N(d_2) + k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot \frac{\partial N(d_2)}{\partial d_2} \cdot \frac{\partial d_2}{\partial T}$$

$$= -\frac{S_0}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d_1^2/2} \left(\frac{-\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} + \frac{\gamma + \delta/2}{20\sqrt{T}} \right) - \gamma k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot N(d_2)$$

$$+ k e^{-\gamma T} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{e^{-d_1^2/2}}{K} \frac{S_0}{k} e^{\gamma T} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{-\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} + \frac{\gamma - \delta/2}{20\sqrt{T}} \right)$$

$$\left(\because d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} \text{ and } \frac{\partial N(d_2)}{\partial d_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d_2^2/2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{S_0}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d_1^2/2} \left(\frac{-\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} + \frac{\gamma + \delta/2}{20\sqrt{T}} \right) - \gamma k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot N(d_2)$$

$$+ \frac{S_0 e^{-d_1^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{-\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} + \frac{\gamma - \delta/2}{20\sqrt{T}} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{S_0}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d_1^2/2} \left(\frac{-\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} + \frac{\gamma + \delta/2}{20\sqrt{T}} + \frac{\ln(S_0/k)}{20T^{3/2}} - \frac{(\gamma - \delta/2)}{20\sqrt{T}} \right)$$

$$= -\gamma k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot N(d_2)$$

$$= -\frac{S_0}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d_1^2/2} \left(\frac{\gamma/2}{20\sqrt{T}} \right) - \gamma k e^{-\gamma T} \cdot N(d_2)$$

Theta(θ) = $-\frac{S_0 \sigma N'(d_1)}{2\sqrt{T}} - \gamma k e^{-\gamma T} N(d_2)$

$$\text{Option Price (C)} = S_0 N(d_1) - K e^{-rT} N(d_2) \approx 2.396 \text{ \$}$$

$$\text{Theta}(\theta) = \frac{-(49)(0.2)N'(d_1)}{2\sqrt{\frac{140}{365}}} - (0.05)(50)e^{-(0.05)(\frac{140}{365})} N(d_2)$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_0}{K}\right) + \left(r + \sigma^2/2\right)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{49}{50}\right) + \left(0.05 + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2}\right)\frac{140}{365}}{0.2 \times \sqrt{\frac{140}{365}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_1 = 0.05366$$

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} = (0.05366) - (0.2) \sqrt{\frac{140}{365}}$$

$$= 0.05366 - 0.1239$$

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = -0.07024$$

$$N'(d_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(0.05366)^2/2} = 0.3984$$

$$N(d_2) = N(-0.07024) = 0.4720 \quad (\text{from CDF Table})$$

$$\text{Theta}(\theta) = \frac{-(49)(0.2)(0.3984)}{2\sqrt{\frac{140}{365}}} - (0.05)(50)e^{-(0.05)(\frac{140}{365})}(0.4720)$$

$$= -8.15208 - 1.15758$$

$$= -4.30966$$

(Only valid for short time) $\boxed{\text{Theta}(\theta) \approx -4.31 \text{ \$/yr}}$

So, by amount 4.31 option's value will decrease everyday till maturity.

As this rate is dependent on stock price and other volatile factors. It is not necessarily ~~fixed~~ for a year.

$\Rightarrow \text{Gamma}(r) = \frac{\partial^2 \Pi}{\partial S^2}$ = double derivative of option price with respect to stock price.

i.e. $\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2}$

C is call option price.

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial S} \left(\frac{\partial C}{\partial S} \right)$$

$$C = S_0 N(d_1) - K e^{-rT} N(d_2)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial C}{\partial S} = N(d_1)}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial S} N(d_1)$$

$$= \frac{\partial N(d_1)}{\partial d_1} \cdot \frac{\partial d_1}{\partial S}$$

$$= N'(d_1) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial S} \left(\ln(S_0/K) + (r + \sigma^2/2)T \right)$$

$$= N'(d_1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{S_0} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{r = \frac{N'(d_1)}{\sigma S_0 \sqrt{T}}}$$

$$\text{Gamma}(r) = \frac{0.3984}{(0.2)(44)\sqrt{140/365}} = 0.06564$$

$$\boxed{\text{Gamma}(r) = 0.06564}$$

r tells the variation/volatility of option price w.r.t. assets price (here, stock price).

Q.2) Put-Call Parity

Relationship between the price of European Put Option and European Call option of the same class means which have same underlying asset price, strike price and expiration date is given by the principle of Put-Call Parity.

If the prices of the put and call options diverge so that this relationship does not hold, an arbitrage opportunity exists, meaning sophisticated traders earn a risk free profit. Such opportunities are rare and short-lived in liquid markets.

According to BSH equation;

$$\text{Call Option Price (C)} = S_0 N(d_1) - k e^{-\gamma T} N(d_2). \quad \text{---(1)}$$

$$\text{Put Option Price (P)} = k e^{-\gamma T} N(-d_2) - S_0 N(-d_1). \quad \text{---(2)}$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(S_0/k) + (\gamma + \sigma^2/2)T}{\sigma \sqrt{T}}$$

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

where; γ is risk free interest rate.

T is time to maturity

k is strike price

S_0 is stock price (asset's price)

σ is volatility

$N(x)$ represents cumulative normal distribution for x .

Put-Call Parity equation

$$C + ke^{-\gamma T} = S_0 + P \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= C + ke^{-\gamma T} \\ &= \{S_0 N(d_1) - ke^{-\gamma T} N(d_2)\} + ke^{-\gamma T} \\ &= \{S_0 (1 - N(-d_1)) - ke^{-\gamma T} (1 - N(-d_2))\} + \\ &\quad \cancel{ke^{-\gamma T}} \\ &= \{ke^{-\gamma T} N(-d_2) - S_0 N(-d_1)\} + S_0 \\ &= P + S_0 \quad (\text{from (2)}) \\ &= \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the Put-Call Parity equation is established.

Q.3) \Rightarrow If S (Stock Price) follows a geometric Brownian motion represented by $dS = \mu S dt + \sigma S dz$, then using Itô's lemma derive the process followed by $\ln(S)$. Notations have standard meanings.

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Itô's Process :- It is a type of stochastic process described by Kiyoshi Ito, a Japanese mathematician, which can be written as the sum of the integral of a process over time and of another process over a Brownian Motion.

This is generalized form for weiner process where 'a' and 'b' parameters are not constant but they are dependent on time and underlying assets value.

$$\text{i.e. } dx = a(x, t)dt + b(x, t)dz$$
$$\Delta x = a(x, t)dt + b(x, t)\sqrt{\Delta t}$$

$a(x, t) \Rightarrow$ drift term

$b(x, t) \Rightarrow$ variance term

Itô's Lemma

Stock price behaves stochastically and its changes depends on time. Hence an option price depends on time and the underlying stock. Behaviour of stochastic process for an option was prepared by Ito

Ito's Lemma says that a function h dependent on x, t variables where x follows Ito's process, then h satisfies following PDE

$$dh = \left[\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \cdot a + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} b^2 \right] dt$$

$$+ \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} b dz$$

where x follows generalized weiner's process

$$dx = a(x, t) dt + b(x, t) dz$$

Derivation of Ito's Lemma :

If x (underlying asset or stock) changes by small unit Δx then

$$\Delta h \approx \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \Delta t$$

$$\text{from Taylor's Expansion : } \Delta h = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} \Delta x^2 +$$

$$+ \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} \Delta t^2 +$$

$$+ \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x \partial t} \Delta x \Delta t + \dots \quad \text{①}$$

for smaller values of Δx & Δt ,

$$\Delta h = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} \Delta x^2 - \text{②}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial t^2} \Delta t^2 + \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x \partial t} \Delta t \Delta x$$

we know,

$$\Delta x = a\Delta t + b\epsilon\sqrt{\Delta t}$$

$$\Delta x^2 = (a\Delta t + b\epsilon\sqrt{\Delta t})^2$$

$$= a^2(\Delta t)^2 + b^2\epsilon^2\Delta t + 2ab\Delta t^{3/2}$$

Ignoring higher order terms for Δt (as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$)

$$\Delta x^2 = b^2\epsilon^2\Delta t + \text{negligible terms}$$

from ② $\Rightarrow dh = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} b^2 \epsilon^2 dt$

now we know, $\text{Var}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{3}$ (as it follows Std. Norm. dist.)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} = E(\epsilon^2) - [E(\epsilon)]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} = E(\epsilon^2) \quad (\text{As } E(\epsilon) = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\epsilon^2 = \frac{1}{3}} \quad (\text{E}(\epsilon^2) \text{ is constant} \& \text{Var}(\epsilon) \text{ is constant}).$$

$$\Rightarrow dh = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} [adt + bdz] + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} b^2 dt.$$

$$\Rightarrow dh = \left(a \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x^2} b^2 \right) dt + b \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} dz$$

new drift term

new variance factor

Hence, Proved

For given question,

$$h(S,t) = \ln(S)$$

$$\Rightarrow dh = \left[a \frac{\partial h}{\partial S} + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial S^2} b^2 \right] dt$$
$$+ b \frac{\partial h}{\partial S} dz$$

we know, $dS = \mu S dt + \sigma S dz$

$$\Rightarrow a = \mu S \quad \& \quad b = \sigma S$$

$$dh = \left[\mu S \left(\frac{1}{S} \right) + 0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{S^2} \right) (\sigma S)^2 \right] dt$$
$$+ \cancel{\sigma S} \left(\frac{1}{S} \right) dz$$

$$dh = \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) dt + \sigma dz$$

$$h(S,t) = \int_0^t \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) dt + \int_0^t \sigma dz$$

So, $h(S,t) = \ln(S)$ follows a ~~geometric~~ Itô's process Brownian motion with parameters $(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}, \sigma)$.