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$$\{S_T > K\} = \left\{ \frac{0 - W_T^*}{\sqrt{T}} < d = \frac{\ln S_0 - \ln K + (r - \sigma^2/2)T}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \right\}.$$

The second term...

We've done one half of the job,

$$\mathbb{E}^*(I \cdot K \mid \mathcal{F}_0) = K \mathbb{P}^*(S_T > K \mid \mathcal{F}_0) = KF(d),$$

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