

HOMEWORK

- (1) Let $V(\mathbf{x})$ be a portfolio value as a function of d risk factors \mathbf{x} .
 - (a) Write the second-order Taylor expansion for ΔV in terms of ∇V and $\nabla^2 V$.
 - (b) Let $d = 2$, $\nabla V = \begin{bmatrix} .1 \\ -.2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\nabla^2 V = \begin{bmatrix} .3 & -.4 \\ -.4 & .5 \end{bmatrix}$. Write out the expansion explicitly.
- (2) The delta of a derivatives portfolio dependent on an index is $-2,100$. The index is currently 1,000. Estimate what happens to the value of the portfolio when the index increases to 1,005.
- (3) The gamma of a delta-neutral portfolio is 30 (per \$ per \$). Estimate what happens to the value of the portfolio when the price of the underlying asset (a) suddenly increases by \$2 and (b) suddenly decreases by \$2.
- (4) Consider a one-year European call option on a stock when the stock price is \$30, the strike price is \$30, the risk-free rate is 5%, and the volatility is 25% per annum.
 - (a) Use the Black-Scholes formula to derive the price, delta, gamma, vega, theta, and rho of the option.
 - (b) If the stock price increases to \$30.1 at the end of one day, what is the actual difference in the option price?
 - (c) Use the sensitivity analysis to estimate the change in the option price. Are they close?

- (5) The Black-Scholes price of a European call is

$$C(S, t) = S\Phi(d_1) - Ke^{-r(T-t)}\Phi(d_2)$$

where

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

(with $\Phi(\cdot)$ the standard normal CDF).

- (a) Show that

$$S\phi(d_1) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}\phi(d_2)$$

where $\phi(\cdot)$ is the standard normal PDF.

- (b) Show that

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial C}{\partial S} = \Phi(d_1).$$

- (c) Show that

$$\Gamma = \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2} = \frac{\phi(d_1)}{S\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}.$$

- (6) Consider a straddle portfolio of European call and put option with the following parameters:
 - Spot price: $S_0 = \$49$
 - Strike price: $K = \$50$
 - Risk-free rate: $r = 5\%$ p.a.
 - Volatility: $\sigma = 20\%$ p.a.
 - Time to maturity: $T = 20 \text{ weeks} = 0.3846 \text{ years}$

- (a) Plot a payoff diagram for the straddle position.
- (b) Compute the price of the call using the Black-Scholes formula.
- (c) Using put-call parity $C - P = S_0 - Ke^{-rT}$, compute the price of the put.
- (d) Compute the Greeks (Δ , Γ) for the straddle position.