

FIN ENGR/BUS 444

LECTURE NOTES

STOCHASTICS

AND

WILMOTT CH 3

HULL CH 10

MODEL OF THE BEHAVIOR
OF STOCK PRICES

WE ASSUME:

STOCK RETURNS HAVE 2 COMPONENTS: ONE DUE TO SYSTEMATIC RISK, THE OTHER DUE TO IDIOSYN. RISK. THE SYS. RISK (S.R.) COMPONENT PROVIDES A RETURN AS COMPENSATION FOR S.R., THE REMAINING COMPONENT IS TIED TO IDIOSYN RISK (I.R.) WHICH ON AVERAGE SHOULD NOT BE COMPENSATED. THIS, THE MEAN RETURN ASSOC W/ I.R. SHOULD HAVE MEAN ZERO.

THIS

$$\underbrace{(\text{TOTAL RETURN})_t}_{\text{SIZE IS RELATED TO AMT OF SYS. RISK.}} = \underbrace{(\text{S.R. RETURN})_t}_{\text{MEAN ZERO}} + \underbrace{(\text{I.R. RETURN})_t}_{\text{MEAN ZERO}}$$

WE'LL WRITE AS

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$$\text{RETURN} = \frac{ds}{s} = \underbrace{\mu \cdot dt}_{\text{MEAN RETURN PER PERIOD}} + \underbrace{\sigma \cdot dz}_{\text{RANDOM PART OF RETURN}}$$

$dt = \text{ELAPSED TIME (A VERY SMALL \#)}$

s IS STOCK PRICE, SO THIS IS LIKE $\frac{\Delta s}{s} = \text{RETURN}$

μ IS MEAN RETURN PER PERIOD

σ IS STD DEV OF RETURNS

dz IS A RANDOM VARIABLE W/ MEAN ZERO

EXPECTED RETURN PART

RANDOM PART OF RETURN

THE LAST TERM, $\sigma \cdot dz$, IS THE RANDOM PORTION OF THE RETURN. SEE FIGURE 10.2 IN HULL. IT SHOWS A PLOT OF dz . A PLOT OF $\sigma \cdot dz$ WOULD JUST BE SCALED IN THE VERTICAL DIRECTION BY A FACTOR σ .

dz IS KNOWN AS A WENER PROCESS, AKA A BROWNIAN MOTION. IT IS OFTEN USED IN PHYSICS TO MODEL MOTION OF ERATIC PARTICLES.

dz IS ALSO EQUAL TO $\varepsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}$ WHERE $\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$ (ie ITS DRAWN FROM A STND NORMAL DISTRIBUTION).

FACT IF $\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$

THEN $k \cdot \varepsilon \sim N(0, k)$ (w/ $k = \text{SOME CONSTANT \#}$)

MEAN = 0
 $\sigma' = 1$

THUS SINCE $\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$

THEN

$$dz = \underbrace{\sqrt{dt}}_{\substack{\text{A CONST} \\ \#}} \cdot \varepsilon \sim N(0, \underbrace{\sqrt{dt}}_{\substack{\sigma'_{dz}}})$$

THUS YOU CAN THINK OF dz AS BEING DRAWN FROM A NORMAL DIST^B w/ MEAN 0 AND $\sigma' = \sqrt{dt}$ (ie $\sigma'^2_{dz} = dt$)

LET'S COMPUTE THE MEAN AND VARIANCE OF OUR $\frac{dS}{S}$ PROCESS ON PG 1.

* IMPORTANT!

RECALL, THE VARIANCE OF AN EQUATION W/ 2 TERMS IS FOUND VIA:

IF EQⁿ IS: $\tilde{y} = a \cdot \tilde{x} + b \cdot \tilde{y}$ (x & y ARE RANDOM VAR'S.
 $a, b = \text{CONSTANTS. i.e. } \nabla > 0$)

THEN VARIANCE OF \tilde{y} IS:

$$\nabla_y^2 = a^2 \cdot \nabla_x^2 + b^2 \cdot \nabla_y^2 + 2 \cdot a \cdot b \cdot \nabla_x \cdot \nabla_y \cdot \rho_{x,y}$$

(BUS-342 VARIANCE OF A 2 ASSET PORTFOLIO)
 $\rho_{x,y}$ CORRELATION

RECALL EQⁿ PG 1

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \underbrace{\mu dt}_{\text{A R.V.}} + \underbrace{\nabla dz}_{\text{A R.V.}}$$

THIS IS NOT A RAND. VAR. i.e. IT'S A CONSTANT

MEAN $\left(\frac{dS}{S}\right) = \mu \cdot dt$ \leftarrow SINCE MEAN OF $\nabla \cdot dz = 0$ PER PG 2.

VAR $\left(\frac{dS}{S}\right) = \nabla^2 \cdot dt$ \leftarrow ONLY THE SECOND TERM IN $\frac{dS}{S}$ IS RANDOM.
 VAR OF dz PER PG 2

FACT USED, IF $K = \text{CONST}$
 THEN $\text{VAR}(K \tilde{x}) = K^2 \nabla_x^2$

WE HAD $\nabla \cdot dz$, THUS $\text{VAR}(\nabla \cdot dz) = \nabla^2 \cdot \nabla_{dz}^2 = \nabla^2 \cdot dt$
 \uparrow CONST \uparrow RV.

THEFORE WE KNOW:

$$\frac{ds}{s} \sim N(\mu dt, \underbrace{\sigma' \cdot \sqrt{dt}}_{\sigma' \text{ OF } \frac{ds}{s}})$$

← EQⁿ 10.8 OF HULL

σ' OF $\frac{ds}{s}$



FACT:

Q: SUPPOSE WE HAVE A VARIABLE, $\tilde{x} \sim N(0, 1)$
AND WE WANT TO HAVE A VARIABLE w/
MEAN .2 AND $\sigma_y = .3$. HOW DO WE
GET IT? (CALL THE NEW VARIABLE \tilde{y}).

A: DO THIS

$$\tilde{y} = \tilde{x} \cdot (.3) + .2$$



THAT IS, DRAW A VALUE OF x FROM $N(0, 1)$
THEN MULT BY $\sigma_y (= .3)$ AND ADD THE MEAN
OF y ($= .2$).

YOU NOW HAVE A DRAW FROM $N(.2, .3)$

• Eg SIMILAR TO EX 10.3 IN HULL

ASSUME $\mu_{IBM} = .12 / \text{YR}$ w/ $\sigma'_{\text{ANNUALIZED}} = .40$

ASSUME THE STOCK RETURNS FOLLOW:

$$\frac{ds}{s} = \mu \cdot dt + \sigma \cdot dz$$

Q: WHAT RANGE OF STOCK PRICES, GIVEN A CURRENT
PRICE OF \$100/SH, COULD WE EXPECT TO SEE
w/ 95% PROBABILITY IN 1 MONTH? ($dt = 1/12$).



(5)

$$\begin{aligned}
 ds &= \mu \cdot S \cdot dt + \sigma \cdot S \cdot dz \quad (\text{MOVE } S \text{ TO RHS}) \\
 &= \mu S dt + \sigma \cdot S \cdot (\underbrace{\varepsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{VIA PG 2} \\ \text{w/ } \varepsilon \sim N(0,1)}}) \\
 &= (.12)(100)(1/12) + (.4)(100) \varepsilon \sqrt{1/12} \\
 ds &= \underbrace{1.00 + 11.547 \cdot \varepsilon}_{\sim N(0,1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

THIS LOOKS A LOT LIKE MY "FACT" ON PG 4.

THAT IS, THE CHANGE IN THE STOCK PRICE IS DIST^B NORMAL w/ MEAN 1.00 AND $\sigma' = 11.547$.

THERE IS A 95% CHANCE ds WILL MOVE ± 1.96 STD DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN OF 1.00. THUS WE CAN SAY THAT w/ 95% PROB, ds WILL RANGE FROM -21.63 TO +23.63

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \nearrow & & \nearrow \\
 1.00 - 1.96(11.547) & & 1.00 + 1.96(11.547)
 \end{array}$$

THUS THERE IS ONLY A 5% CHANCE THAT S IN 1 MONTH WILL BE OUTSIDE THE RANGE OF 78.37 \rightarrow 123.63

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \nearrow & & \uparrow \\
 = 100 - 21.63 & & = 100 + 23.63
 \end{array}$$

OUR BEST POINT ESTIMATE GUESS, IS THAT IN 1 MONTH THE PRICE WILL BE \$101.00, BUT THERE IS A LOT OF IDIOSYNCRATIC RISK, SO IT COULD FALL INTO A WIDE RANGE.

IN OUR EXAMPLE S FOLLOWS GBM
AND X FOLLOWS BM.
(THE GEOMETRIC PART MEANS ds IS \div BY S)

§ 10.4 HULL

$$\frac{ds}{s} = \mu dt + \sigma dz$$

IS AKA
GEOMETRIC
BROWNIAN
MOTION (GBM)

IF WE DIDN'T DIVIDE
 ds BY S ON THE LHS THEN
IT WOULD BE CALLED BROWNIAN MOTION (THE
GEOMETRIC PART IS INCLUDED ONLY IF S IS
IN THE LHS DENOM).

GBM IS WRITTEN 2 WAYS, AS ABOVE, AND AS:

$$ds = \mu \cdot S \cdot dt + \sigma \cdot S \cdot dz$$



MOVING S TO RHS. THIS IS STILL GBM.

SINCE YOU COULD WRITE AS $\frac{ds}{s} = \mu dt + \sigma dz$.

NOTE

REGULAR BROWNIAN MOTION (BM) IS $dx = \mu dt + \sigma dz$.



MONTÉ CARLO SIMULATION

THIS MEANS TO DRAW THE INPUT PARAMETERS
FROM SOME ASSUMED DISTRIBUTION, AND TO
THEN DETERMINE HOW SOMETHING (THE OUTPUT) BEHAVES.

ASSUME $\mu = .14$
 $\sigma = .20$ } ← ANNUALIZED VALUES

LET $dt \approx \Delta t = .01/yr$
↑
3.65 DAYS

THIS dt MUST BE
IN # OF YRS. i.e. $1/12$ ETC
1 MONTH.

Q: How is ds/s THEN DISTRIBUTED?
THAT IS, WE KNOW ds/s WILL BE

DIFFERENT IN DIFFERENT PERIODS (IT'S A \tilde{RV})
BUT WHAT DISTRIBUTION DO WE ENVISION IT
COMING FROM?

FIND DIST^B OF $\frac{ds}{s}$: \nwarrow PER PERIOD RETURN.

WE KNOW:

RETURN \rightarrow $\frac{ds}{s} = \mu dt + \sigma dz$
PER PERIOD

$$= \mu dt + \sigma \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}$$

$$= (.14)(.01) + (.20) \varepsilon \sqrt{.01}$$

$$= .0014 + .02 \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$\nwarrow \sim N(0, 1)$$

FROM OUR "FACT" pg 4

THIS IMPLIES THAT THE RETURNS ($= \frac{ds}{s}$) ARE
DISTRIBUTED $N(.0014, .02)$
 \uparrow \nwarrow
 MEAN RETURN σ_{RET}

SEE TABLE 10.1 FOR A MONTE CARLO
SIMULATION OF THE RETURNS (COLUMN 3)
WHICH IMPLIES ΔS (COLUMN 4), WHICH
IMPLIES STOCK PRICE (COLUMN 1).

\triangle RECALL FROM BUS-342 AND BUS-433 (INT'L) THAT
 MEAN MONTHLY RETURN = $\frac{\text{MEAN ANNUAL RETURN}}{12}$

AND

STND DEV OF MONTHLY RETURNS = $\frac{\text{STND DEV OF ANNUALIZED RETURNS}}{\sqrt{12}}$



FOR EXAMPLE, A FORWARD PRICE DEPENDS ON THE VALUE OF S. THUS IF S FOLLOWS GBM, THEN WHAT PROCESS DOES F FOLLOW? - MUST USE ITO'S LEMMA!

THESE "ADJUSTMENT" EQUATIONS ARE BUILT INTO GBM. THAT IS, ASSUME $\mu = .12 / \text{yr}$
 $\sigma = .20 / \text{yr}$

WHAT IS μ/mo & σ'/mo ?

FROM OUR "ADJUSTMENT" EQUATIONS, BOTTOM pg 7, IT IS:

$$\mu/mo = .12 / 12 = .01$$

$$\sigma'/mo = .20 / \sqrt{12} = .0577$$

USING GBM:

$$\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dz$$

$$= \mu dt + \sigma \varepsilon \sqrt{dt}$$

$$= (.12)(1/12) + (.20)(\varepsilon) \sqrt{1/12}$$

$$= .01 + .0577 \cdot \varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0,1)$$

\uparrow MEAN/mo \uparrow STD DEV/mo

THESE MATCH!

§10.6 ITO'S LEMMA

Q: IF AN UNDERLYING VARIABLE FOLLOWS GBM OR BM, THEN WHAT PROCESS DOES THE 'DERIVATIVE' PROCESS FOLLOW?

(BY 'DERIVATIVE' WE MEAN THAT ONE VARIABLE IS A FUNCTION OF, IE IT'S DERIVED FROM, ANOTHER 'UNDERLYING' (INPUT) VARIABLE)

TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION YOU MUST USE ITO'S LEMMA.

TO GET (DERIVE) ITO'S LEMMA, WE'LL USE THE IDEA'S BEHIND TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSIONS (SEE 'MATHEMATICAL PRELIMINARIES' HANDOUT FIRST)

SUPPOSE dx FOLLOWS THE PROCESS

$$dx = \alpha dt + \sigma dz \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} X \text{ FOLLOWS BM} \\ S \text{ " GBM} \end{array} \right.$$

AND LET $dx = \frac{dS}{S}$ (THINK OF X AS A RETURN)

SUPPOSE G DEPENDS ON X (G IS A DERIVATIVE SECURITY)

Q: WHAT DOES THE PROCESS FOR dG LOOK LIKE? ie HOW DO CHANGES IN G EVOLVE?

A: dG IS LIKELY TO BE A COMPLEX PROCESS SINCE IT DEPENDS ON dx WHICH IS A COMPLEX PROCESS. LETS SIMPLIFY dG VIA TAKING A TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSION OF G AROUND THE POINT x_0 .
(NOT dG)

RECALL, A TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSION OF $f(x)$ AROUND x_0 IS: (SEE MATH HANDOUT)

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{x_0} \cdot (x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{x_0} \cdot (x-x_0)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3} \Big|_{x_0} \cdot (x-x_0)^3 + \dots$$

NOW LETS APPLY THIS IDEA IN A 'DIFFERENT' WAY:

i.e. LET'S EXPAND $G(x + \Delta x)$ AROUND THE POINT x

(TYPICALLY WE EXPAND $G(x)$ AROUND SOME POINT x_0 ,

BUT THE ABOVE 'DIFFERENT' EXPANSION IS EQUALLY VALID,

AND IT WILL LEAD US TO AN EXPRESSION WE WANT)

3rd DEGREE TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSION OF $G(x + \Delta x)$ AROUND x IS:

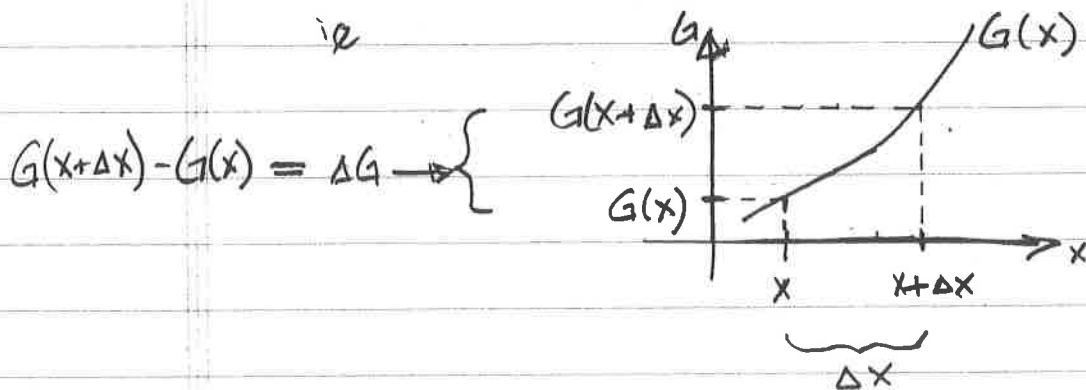
$$G(x + \Delta x) = G(x) + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \right|_x (x + \Delta x - x) + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} \right|_x (x + \Delta x - x)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left. \frac{\partial^3 G}{\partial x^3} \right|_x (x + \Delta x - x)^3 + \dots$$

$$= G(x) + \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} (\Delta x) + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} (\Delta x)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{\partial^3 G}{\partial x^3} (\Delta x)^3 + \dots$$

$\frac{\partial G}{\partial x}$ EVALUATED @ x (i.e. $\left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \right|_x$) IS JUST $\frac{\partial G}{\partial x}$

NOTICE THAT $G(x + \Delta x) - G(x)$ EQUALS ΔG , i.e.

i.e.



THEREFORE WE CAN WRITE THE ABOVE EXPANSION AS

$$\Delta G = \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} (\Delta x) + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} (\Delta x)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{\partial^3 G}{\partial x^3} (\Delta x)^3 + \dots$$

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BUT WHAT IF G DEPENDS ON 2 INPUT VARIABLES, X AND t ? HOW TO TAKE THE TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSION? AS SHOWN IN THE "MATH PRELIM" HANDOUT A 2ND DEGREE TAYLOR EXPANSION OF $G(X, t)$ AROUND THE POINT X_0, t_0 IS:

$$G(X, t) = G(X_0, t_0) + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial X} \right|_{X_0, t_0} (X - X_0)' + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \right|_{X_0, t_0} (t - t_0)' + \\ + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X^2} \right|_{X_0, t_0} (X - X_0)^2 + \underbrace{\frac{2}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X \partial t} \right|_{X_0, t_0}}_{=1} (X - X_0)' (t - t_0)' + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial t^2} \right|_{X_0, t_0} (t - t_0)^2 + \dots$$

NOW, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID ON TOP pg 10, LETS EXPAND $G(X + \Delta X, t + \Delta t)$ AROUND X AND t :
THE 2ND DEGREE EXPANSION IS:

$$G(X + \Delta X, t + \Delta t) = G(X, t) + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial X} \right|_{X, t} (X + \Delta X - X)' + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \right|_{X, t} (t + \Delta t - t)' + \\ + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X^2} \right|_{X, t} (X + \Delta X - X)^2 + \frac{2}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X \partial t} \right|_{X, t} (X + \Delta X - X)' (t + \Delta t - t)' + \frac{1}{2!} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial t^2} \right|_{X, t} (t + \Delta t - t)^2 + \dots$$

WHICH WE CAN REWRITE AS:

$$\Delta G = \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial X} \right|_{X, t} (\Delta X)' + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \right|_{X, t} (\Delta t)' + \\ (10.A.6) \quad \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X^2} \right|_{X, t} (\Delta X)^2 + \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial X \partial t} \right|_{X, t} (\Delta X)' (\Delta t)' + \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial t^2} \right|_{X, t} (\Delta t)^2 + \dots$$

↖ EQⁿ (10.A.6) IN THE APPENDIX OF CH 10.

WE COULD TAKE THE LIMIT OF (10.A.6) AS Δx AND Δt GET SMALLER & SMALLER (ie GO TO ZERO).

WE WRITE:

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} = dx$$

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} = dt$$

AFTER WE TAKE THE LIMIT, (10.A.6) WILL HAVE TERMS INVOLVING dx , dt , $(dx)^2$, $dx \cdot dt$, AND $(dt)^2$.

BOTH dx AND dt ARE VERY SMALL, BUT NOT QUITE ZERO. THUS

$$dx \neq 0$$

$$dt \neq 0.$$

IN REGULAR CALCULUS, THE ARGUMENT IS MADE THAT SINCE dx AND dt ARE SO SMALL IT MUST BE TRUE THAT $(dx)^2$, $(dt)^2$ AND $dx \cdot dt$ ARE ZERO.

THEREFORE, IN REGULAR CALCULUS, AFTER TAKING THE LIMIT, (10.A.6) WOULD EQUAL:

⊛ $dg = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot dx + \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \cdot dt + 0 + 0 + 0 + \dots$

Annotations:

- Arrow from the first 0 to $\text{SINCE } (dx)^2 = 0$
- Arrow from the second 0 to $\text{SINCE } dx \cdot dt = 0$
- Arrow from the third 0 to $\text{SINCE } (dt)^2 = 0$
- Arrow from the ellipsis \dots to ALSO ALL ZERO'S

A KEY RESULT IN REGULAR CALCULUS.

AKA THE TOTAL DIFFERENTIAL.

NOW WE NEED TO ASK, DOES THIS RESULT HOLD TRUE IF X FOLLOWS GBM OR BM?

ASSUME X FOLLOWS THE PROCESS

NOTE: HULL USES
 $a = \mu$
 $b = \sigma$
 IN THE APPENDIX

$$dx = \mu dt + \sigma dz$$

← B.M. = BROWNIAN MOTION

$$= \mu dt + \sigma \cdot \epsilon \cdot \sqrt{dt}$$

← BROWNIAN (B.M.) MOTION

↑ $\epsilon \sim N(0,1)$

Q: WHAT DOES $(dx)^2$ LOOK LIKE?

DOES IT GO TO ZERO IN THE LIMIT? — LET'S FIND OUT...

$$\begin{aligned} dx^2 &= (\mu dt + \sigma \epsilon \sqrt{dt}) \cdot (\mu dt + \sigma \epsilon \sqrt{dt}) \\ &= \mu^2 dt^2 + 2\mu\sigma\epsilon dt^{3/2} + \sigma^2 \epsilon^2 (dt) \end{aligned}$$

- WE KNOW $(dt)^2 = 0$ (SINCE dt IS VERY SMALL)
- IT'S ALSO TRUE THAT dt RAISED TO ANY POWER > 1.00 EQUALS ZERO TOO, THUS $(dt)^{3/2} = 0$

SO WE HAVE

$$(dx)^2 = \sigma^2 \epsilon^2 (dt) + \text{TERMS INVOLVING } dt \text{ THAT EQUAL ZERO IN THE LIMIT.}$$

$$(dx)^2 = \sigma^2 \epsilon^2 (dt) \neq 0$$

BUT LOOK!, IF X FOLLOWS BM, THEN $(dx)^2 \neq 0!$

IN REGULAR CALC $(dx)^2 = 0$

IN STOCHASTIC CALC $(dx)^2 \neq 0!$

MEANS THAT SOME VARIABLE FOLLOWS BM OR GBM.

LET'S LOOK CLOSER @ THE EXPRESSION

$$(dx)^2 = \sigma^2 \varepsilon^2 dt$$

LET'S THINK ABOUT $\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$.

ONE WAY TO WRITE THE VARIANCE OF A RV, \tilde{X} IS

$$E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = \text{VARIANCE OF } X$$

✓ VERY IMPORTANT TO KNOW.

$$\text{ie } E[X^2] - (\text{MEAN OF } X)^2 = \text{VAR}(X)$$



SQUARE ALL VALUES, THEN
FIND THEIR MEAN

$$\text{ie } \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N} \right)^2 = \text{VAR}(X)$$

JUST ANOTHER WAY TO WRITE:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{N} = \text{VAR}(X)$$

SINCE $\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$

WE KNOW $E[\varepsilon] = 0$, $\text{VAR}(\varepsilon) = 1$

THUS WE KNOW

$$E[\varepsilon^2] - (E[\varepsilon])^2 = \text{VAR}(\varepsilon)$$

$$E[\varepsilon^2] - (0)^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\varepsilon^2] = 1$$

THUS WHEN WE TAKE THE EXPECTATION OF $(dx)^2$
(IN ORDER TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WE EXPECT IT TO BE
ON AVERAGE) AND THEREFORE TAKE THE EXPECTATION
OF $\sigma^2 \tilde{\varepsilon}^2 dt$ WE GET

$$E[\sigma^2 \tilde{\varepsilon}^2 dt] = \sigma^2 dt \cdot E[\tilde{\varepsilon}^2] = \sigma^2 dt \cdot 1$$

PULL THE CONSTANTS
OUT FRONT. $= \sigma^2 dt$

THUS $E[dx^2] = \sigma^2 \cdot dt$ ← MEAN OF $(dx)^2$
 (THINK OF EXPECTATION AS BEING THE MEAN)
 BUT WHAT IS THE VARIANCE OF $(dx)^2$?

$$\text{VAR}(dx^2) = \text{VAR}(\underbrace{\sigma^2}_{\text{A CONSTANT}} \underbrace{\tilde{\epsilon}^2}_{\text{A CONSTANT}} dt)$$

FACT: $\text{VAR}(\text{CONST} \cdot \tilde{x}) = (\text{CONST})^2 \cdot \text{VAR}_{\tilde{x}}$

THUS

$$\text{VAR}(dx^2) = \sigma^4 (dt)^2 \underbrace{\text{VAR}(\tilde{\epsilon}^2)}_{\text{WHAT IS THIS?}}$$

MEAN = 0
VAR = 1

WE KNOW $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$, ALSO FROM STAT'S, IF YOU TAKE STANDARD NORMALLY DISTRIB VARIABLES, SQUARE EACH OF THEM, AND THEN ADD THEM UP, THE RESULTING SUM IS DISTRIB CHI-SQUARED w/ DEGREE OF FREEDOM = N , i.e. χ_N^2

THE MEAN OF A χ_N^2 VARIABLE IS N

THE VARIANCE OF A χ_N^2 VARIABLE IS ALSO N .

LOOK @ $\text{VAR}(\tilde{\epsilon}^2)$, THIS IS THE SUM OF 1 ($N=1$)

STND NORMAL RV (SINCE $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$) THUS

ϵ^2 IS DISTRIBUTED χ_1^2 , AND THUS HAS MEAN = 1 AND VARIANCE = 1.

$$\text{THUS } \text{VAR}(dx^2) = \sigma^4 (dt)^2 \cdot 1$$

$$\text{BUT } (dt)^2 = 0 \text{ SO } \text{VAR}(dx^2) = 0 \quad \searrow$$

→ WE KNOW

$$E[dx^2] = \sigma^2 dt \quad \text{Top pg 13.3}$$

AND

$$\text{VAR}(dx^2) = 0 \quad \text{Bottom pg 13.3}$$

THEFORE dx^2 IS A CONSTANT w/ VALUE OF $\sigma^2 dt$. (AS Δt GOES TO ZERO IN THE LIMIT)

WE SAY THAT $(dx)^2$ IS NON-STOCHASTIC (FANCY TALK FOR "WE KNOW ITS ACTUAL VALUE NO MATTER WHAT THE SITUATION" — A STOCHASTIC VALUE HAS SOME "NOISE" ASSOCIATED w/ IT SO THAT WE CANT PREDICT IT FOR SURE. A NON-STOCHASTIC VARIABLE CAN ALWAYS BE PREDICTED w/ 100% ACCURACY. ITS AKA A DETERMINISTIC VARIABLE, ie ITS EASILY DETERMINED).

THUS $(dx)^2$ IS NON-STOCHASTIC (ie DETERMINISTIC) AND EQUAL TO $\sigma^2 \cdot dt$ AS $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$.



NOW THAT WE FULLY UNDERSTAND HOW $(dx)^2$ BEHAVES LETS SEE WHAT OUR TAYLOR SERIES EXPANSION (10.A.6) pg 11 REDUCES TO, WE WONT GET ⊕ pg 12, INSTEAD WE GET

$$(10.A.9) \quad dG = \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \cdot dx + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} \cdot dt + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} (dx)^2 + 0 + 0 + \dots$$

↙ EQ~ 10.A.9 IN APPENDIX CH 10.

↑
 $\text{C.V.2 } dx \cdot dt = 0$

↑
 $\text{C.V.2 } dt^2 = 0$

(10.A.6)

$$dG = \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} (dx)^2 \quad \text{ITO'S LEMMA}$$

$$w/ \quad dx = \mu x dt + \sigma x dz \quad \leftarrow \underline{\underline{GBM}}$$

COMBINING WE GET:

$$dx^2 = \sigma^2 x^2 dt \quad (\text{GBM})$$

$$dG = \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} (\mu x dt + \sigma x dz) + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} dt + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} (\sigma^2 x^2 dt)$$

THIS IS WHAT $(dx)^2$ CONVERGES TO FOR GBM, PER pg 13.4 IT CONVERGES TO $\sigma^2 dt$ FOR BM.

THUS, COLLECTING TERMS WE GET

$$dG = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \mu x + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} \sigma^2 x^2 \right)}_{\text{TREND}} dt + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial x} \sigma x \right)}_{\text{NOISE. (DUE TO NOISE IN } x)} dz$$

GBM*

SIMILAR TO, BUT DIFFERENT THAN BM* pg 14.

DESCRIBES HOW G EVOLVES IF IT DEPENDS ON X AND X FOLLOWS GBM.

IN FINANCE GBM* IS USED A LOT, MORE THAN BM* SINCE WE USUALLY ASSUME S FOLLOWS GBM.

EXAMPLE 1

HULL
— SEE TEXT

IF A STOCK PRICE FOLLOWS GBM, THEN
WHAT PROCESS DOES A FORWARD PRICE FOLLOW?
SINCE F DEPENDS ON S VIA $F = S e^{r(T-t)}$
WE MUST USE ITO'S LEMMA.

WE NEED TO TAKE A FEW DERIVATIVES.

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial S} = e^{r(T-t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial S^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = -r \cdot S e^{r(T-t)}$$

$$dS = \mu \cdot S dt + \sigma \cdot S dz$$

WE ASSUME S FOLLOWS GBM, THUS GBM
ON PG 15 APPLIES:

$$dF = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial S} \mu \cdot S + \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2 S^2 \right) dt + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial S} \sigma S \right) dz$$

$$dF = \left(e^{r(T-t)} \mu \cdot S + -r S e^{r(T-t)} + 0 \right) dt + \left(e^{r(T-t)} \sigma \cdot S \right) dz$$

NOW SUB IN $F = S e^{r(T-t)}$

$$dF = (\mu \cdot F - r F) dt + (F \cdot \sigma) dz$$

$$dF = (\underbrace{\mu - r}_{\mu_{OF}}) F dt + \underbrace{F \sigma}_{\sigma_F} dz$$

← GBM w/

$$\mu_F = \mu_S - r$$

AND

$$\sigma_F = F \cdot \sigma_S$$

F TENDS TO GROW AT
RATE $\mu - r$ AS HULL SAID 537, PG 60. ($\mu - r =$ EXCESS RETURN
ON S)

— SEE TEXT

EXAMPLE 2LET $G = \ln S$ WHAT PROCESS DOES G FOLLOW IF S FOLLOWS GBM i.e.

$$dS = \mu S dt + \sigma S dz$$

① FIND DERIVATIVES

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial S} = \frac{1}{S} \quad \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial S^2} = -\frac{1}{S^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial t} = 0$$

USING GBM* pg 15 WE GET

$$\begin{aligned} dG &= \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial S} \mu S + \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2 S^2 \right) dt + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial S} \sigma S \right) dz \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{S} \mu S + 0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{S^2} \right) \sigma^2 S^2 \right) dt + \left(\frac{1}{S} \sigma S \right) dz \end{aligned}$$

$$dG = \left(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) dt + \sigma dz$$

THEREFORE

$$dG = \left(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) dt + \sigma \varepsilon \sqrt{dt}$$

$\varepsilon \sim N(0, 1)$

THUS dG IS DISTRIBUTED NORMAL
w/ MEAN $\left(\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right)$ AND STD DEVIATION
OF $\sigma \sqrt{dt}$ (\Rightarrow VARIANCE OF $\sigma^2 dt$)



THEREFORE

$$\underbrace{\ln S_T - \ln S}_{\Delta G} \sim N\left(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2, \sigma\sqrt{T-t}\right)$$

THIS WILL TURN OUT TO BE A VERY IMPORTANT
RESULT IN CH. 11.