

# Exotic Options & Feynman - Kac formula

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The power of action.

- for path dependent options 1-dim F-K does not work since the value process is not markovian anymore.

examples: Asian Option , Lookback (floating strike) Option .  
Barrier Option (up-and-out)

① Asian Option  $V_T = \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T S_t dt - K \right)^+$  where

- $dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t d\tilde{W}_t$  ( $\tilde{W}_t$  = BM under  $\tilde{P}$ )
- $K$  = strike price ,  $T$  = expiration time

Remark :  $V_T$  depends on the path of  $S_t$  up to time  $T$  so it is not a Markov process so we can no longer say  $V_t = \sigma(t, S_t)$  because we need to consider the whole path of  $S$  up to the current time .

- define :  $Y_t = \int_0^t S_u du \implies dY_t = S_t dt$

- the pair  $(S_t, Y_t)$  is given by a pair of SDE :

$$\begin{cases} dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t d\tilde{W}_t \\ dY_t = S_t dt \end{cases}$$

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- $Y_t$  alone is not Markov because it depends on  $S_t$ , however the pair  $(S_t, Y_t)$  is a 2-dim Markov process.

$$\cdot V_t = \tilde{E} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} V_T \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \tilde{E} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} (\frac{1}{T} Y_T - k)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

$$= \pi(t, S_t, Y_t)$$

↑  
2-dim Markov property

$$\cdot \text{terminal condition becomes : } \pi(T, x, y) = \left( \frac{y}{T} - k \right)^+$$

$$\cdot e^{-rt} \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) : \text{martingale (easy)}$$

$$\cdot d(e^{-rt} \pi(t, S_t, Y_t)) = e^{-rt} d\pi(t, S_t, Y_t) + \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) d(e^{-rt})$$

$$= e^{-rt} \left( \pi_t(t, S_t, Y_t) dt + \pi_x(t, S_t, Y_t) dS_t + \pi_y(t, S_t, Y_t) dY_t + \right.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \pi_{xx}(t, S_t, Y_t) dS_t \cdot dS_t + \pi_{xy}(t, S_t, Y_t) dS_t \cdot dY_t + \frac{1}{2} \pi_{yy}(t, S_t, Y_t) dY_t \cdot dY_t \Big)$$

$$- r \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) e^{-rt} dt$$

$$= e^{-rt} \left( -r\pi(t, S_t, Y_t) + \pi_t(t, S_t, Y_t) + rS_t \pi_x(t, S_t, Y_t) + S_t \pi_y(t, S_t, Y_t) + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 \pi_{xx}(t, S_t, Y_t) \right) dt + e^{-rt} r S_t \pi_x(t, S_t, Y_t) d\tilde{W}_t$$

- set the  $dt$  term equal to 0!

$$\Rightarrow \pi_t(t, S_t, Y_t) + rS_t \pi_x(t, S_t, Y_t) + S_t \pi_y(t, S_t, Y_t) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 \pi_{xx}(t, S_t, Y_t) = r\pi(t, S_t, Y_t)$$

- replace  $S_t = x$ ,  $Y_t = y$

the PDE becomes

$$\pi_t(t, x, y) + rx \pi_x(t, x, y) + ry \pi_y(t, x, y) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 \pi_{xx}(t, x, y) = r\pi(t, x, y)$$

we have

$$\sigma_t(t, x, y) + rx\sigma_x(t, x, y) + x\sigma_y(t, x, y) + \frac{1}{2}r^2x^2\sigma_{xx}(t, x, y) = r\sigma(t, x, y)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$\begin{cases} \sigma(t, 0, y) = e^{-r(T-t)} \left( \frac{y}{T} - k \right)^+ \\ \lim_{y \downarrow -\infty} \sigma(t, x, y) = 0 \quad 0 \leq t \leq T, \quad x \geq 0 \\ \sigma(T, x, y) = \left( \frac{y}{T} - k \right)^+ \end{cases}$$

Remark:

$$d(e^{-rt}\sigma(t, S_t, Y_t)) = e^{-rt} \sigma S_t \sigma_x(t, S_t, Y_t) d\tilde{W}_t$$

recall the equation of wealth invested in the stock +  
money market : (replicating portfolio)

$$d(e^{-rt}X_t) = e^{-rt} \sigma S_t A_t d\tilde{W}_t$$

time 0 for  $\sigma(0, S_0, Y_0)$

we use this as the initial capital for a hedging portfolio

$$X_0 = \sigma(0, S_0, Y_0)$$

at time  $t$ , we use the portfolio process :

$$\Delta_t = \sigma_x(t, S_t, Y_t)$$

then we will have perfect replication :

$$d(e^{-rt}X_t) = d(e^{-rt}\sigma(t, S_t, Y_t))$$

$$\Rightarrow X_T = V_T = \sigma(T, S_T, Y_T) = \left( \frac{Y_T}{T} - k \right)^+$$

## ② Lookback Options (floating strike)

$$V_T = \left( \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} S_t \right) - S_T$$

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$$Y_t = \max_{0 \leq u \leq t} S_u \Rightarrow V_T = Y_T - S_T$$

$$V_t = \tilde{E} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} (Y_T - S_T) \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \pi(t, S_t, Y_t)$$

- we do not have an explicit SDE for the process  $Y_t$   
however it can be proven that  $(S_t, Y_t)$  is a 2-dim  
Markov process.

- moreover :  $dY_t \cdot dY_t = 0$ ,  $dY_t \cdot dS_t = 0$   
( $Y_t$  is not a Lebesgue integral, as a matter of  
fact  $Y_t$  increases over time on a set of zero Lebesgue meas)

$$\begin{aligned} d(e^{-rt} \pi(t, S_t, Y_t)) &= e^{-rt} d\pi(t, S_t, Y_t) + \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) d(e^{-rt}) \\ &= e^{-rt} \left( \pi_t dt + \pi_x dS_t + \pi_y dY_t + \frac{1}{2} \pi_{xx} dS_t \cdot dS_t \right) - r e^{-rt} \pi dt \\ &= e^{-rt} \left( -r\pi + \pi_t + \pi_x r S_t + \frac{1}{2} \pi_{xx} r^2 S_t^2 \right) dt + \\ &\quad + e^{-rt} \pi_x r S_t d\tilde{W}_t + \underbrace{e^{-rt} \pi_y dY_t}_{=0} \end{aligned}$$

- Remark : we do not have  $dY_t = \pi_y dt$  so we must consider this term separately !

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot e^{-rt} \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) &= \text{martingale} \Rightarrow \\ \left\{ \begin{aligned} -r\pi + \pi_t + r S_t \pi_x(t, S_t, Y_t) + \frac{1}{2} \pi_{xx} r^2 S_t^2 \pi_{yy}(t, S_t, Y_t) &= r \pi(t, S_t, Y_t) \\ \pi_y(t, S_t, Y_t) dY_t &= 0 \end{aligned} \right. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the PDE becomes :

$$\sigma_t^2(t, x, y) + rx\sigma(t, x, y) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2x^2\sigma(t, x, y) = r\sigma(t, x, y)$$

where  $\begin{cases} 0 \leq t \leq T \\ 0 \leq x \leq y \end{cases}$

• boundary conditions :  $\begin{cases} \sigma(t, 0, y) = e^{-rt}y \\ \sigma_y(t, y, y) = 0 \\ \sigma(T, x, y) = y - x ; 0 \leq x \leq y \end{cases}$

Barrier Options : (Up-and-Out Call)

• stock price follows GBM  $(r, \sigma)$  under  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  (risk neutral measure)  
 $dS_t = rS_t + \sigma S_t d\tilde{W}_t$  :  $S_t = S_0 \exp\{\sigma \tilde{W}_t + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t\}$

- $T$  = expiration time
- $K$  = strike price ;  $B$  = barrier ( $K < B$ )
- payoff :  $\begin{cases} (S_T - K)^+ & \text{if } S_T \leq B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Notation :  $\alpha = \frac{1}{T}(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)$

$\hat{W}_t = \tilde{W}_t + \alpha t$  (Brownian Motion with drift under  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ )

$$\Rightarrow S_t = S_0 e^{\sigma \hat{W}_t}$$

• define  $\hat{M}_T = \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} \hat{W}_t \Rightarrow \max S_t = S_0 e^{\sigma \hat{M}_T}$

$$\begin{aligned} V_T &= (S_T - K)^+ \mathbf{1}_{\{\max_{0 \leq t \leq T} S_t \leq B\}} \\ &= (S_T - K) \mathbf{1}_{\{S_0 e^{\sigma \hat{W}_T} \geq K\}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\{\sigma \hat{M}_T \leq 0\}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= (S_T - K) \mathbb{1}_{\{S_0 e^{\sigma \hat{W}_T} \geq K, S_0 e^{\sigma \hat{M}_T} \leq B\}}$$

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$$\text{where } k = \frac{1}{\sigma} \log \frac{K}{S_0} \quad b = \frac{1}{\sigma} \log \frac{B}{S_0}$$

- we would like to use Markov property to describe the price of this option :

$$V_t = \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} V_T \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]$$

- however,  $V_T$  depends on the whole path  $(\hat{M}_t)$   
so we cannot use Markov property right away.

- to fix this problem define the following stopping time :

$$\rho = \min \{ t \geq 0 : S_t = B \} \quad \text{Time of the Knock-out !!!}$$

→ clearly  $\begin{cases} S_t < B & \text{for all } t < \rho \\ S_\rho = B \end{cases}$

$$\rightarrow e^{-r(t \wedge \rho)} V_{t \wedge \rho} = \begin{cases} e^{-rt} V_t & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \rho \\ e^{-r\rho} V_\rho & \text{if } \rho < t \leq T \end{cases}$$

is a  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ -martingale (since  $e^{-rt} V_t$  is  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  martingale)

Theorem :  $V_t = r^*(t, S_t)$  for all  $0 \leq t \leq \rho$

in particular  $e^{-rt} r^*(t, S_t)$  is a  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  martingale up to time  $\rho$ .

→ for  $t \leq \rho$

$$\cdot d(e^{-rt} r^*(t, S_t)) = e^{-rt} \left[ \underbrace{-r r^* + r^*_t}_{-r^*} + r S_t r^*_x + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S_t^2 r^*_{xx} \right] dt +$$

$$+ \bar{e}^{rt} r S_t \bar{v}_x^r d\bar{W}_t$$

- set the  $dt$  term = 0 , replace  $S_t$  with a dummy  $x$

$$\bar{v}_t^r(t, x) + rx\bar{v}_x^r(t, x) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 \bar{v}_{xx}^r(t, x) = r\bar{v}^r(t, x)$$

with the following terminal condition

$$\bar{v}(t, 0) = 0 \quad 0 \leq t \leq T$$

$$\bar{v}(t, B) = 0 \quad 0 \leq t < T$$

$$\bar{v}(T, x) = (x - k)^+, \quad 0 \leq x \leq B$$