

Black-Scholes formula :

$$C = S e^{-q(T-t)} N(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2) \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$P = K e^{-r(T-t)} N(-d_2) - S e^{-q(T-t)} N(-d_1) \quad \text{--- ②}$$

where

$$d_1 = \frac{\left[\ln(S/K) + (r - q + \sigma^2/2)(T-t) \right]}{\sigma \sqrt{T-t}}$$

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

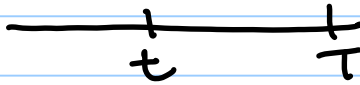
$$N(z) = \text{cdf of } N(0,1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^z e^{-t^2/2} dt$$

Based on the geometric brownian motion model on the underlying asset price:

$$\ln\left(\frac{S_{t_2}}{S_{t_1}}\right) = \mu(t_2 - t_1) + \sigma \sqrt{t_2 - t_1} Z$$

C and P vary with 6 parameters: $\overset{\text{Standard normal}}{\uparrow} Z$

underlying { S_t , or simply S - the spot price of the underlying at time t
 q - annualized (continuous time) dividend rate
 σ - volatility of the underlying

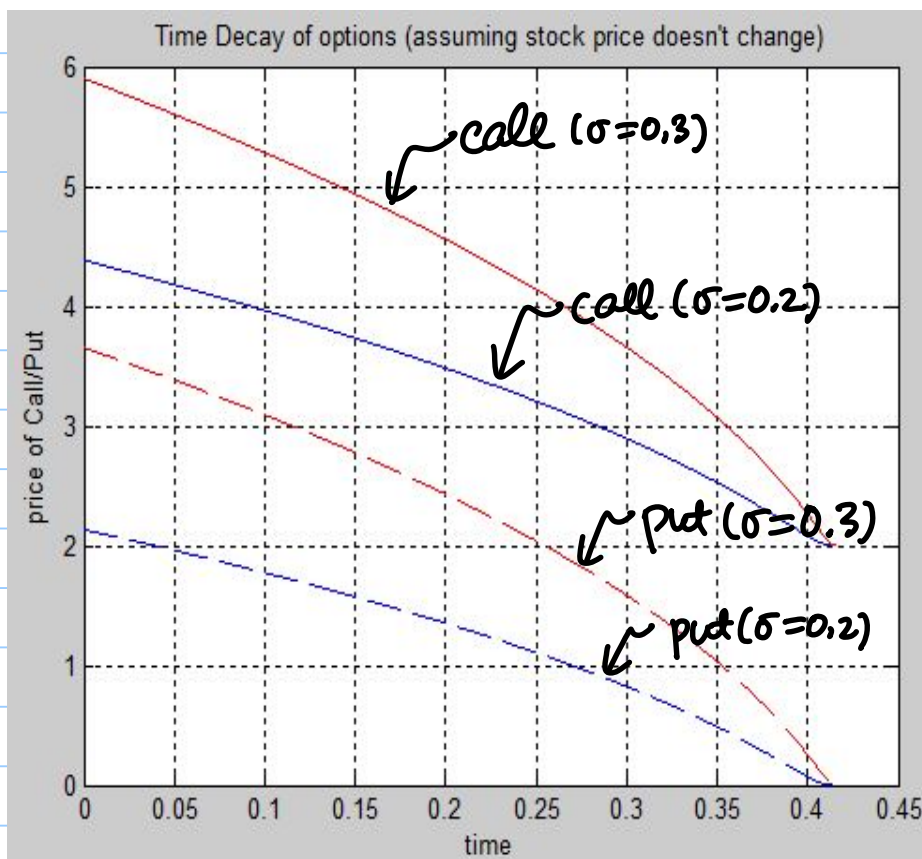
option { $T-t$ - time to maturity

 K - strike price of the option

bond { r - annualized (continuous time) interest rate

Note : ② follows from ① and the put-call parity :

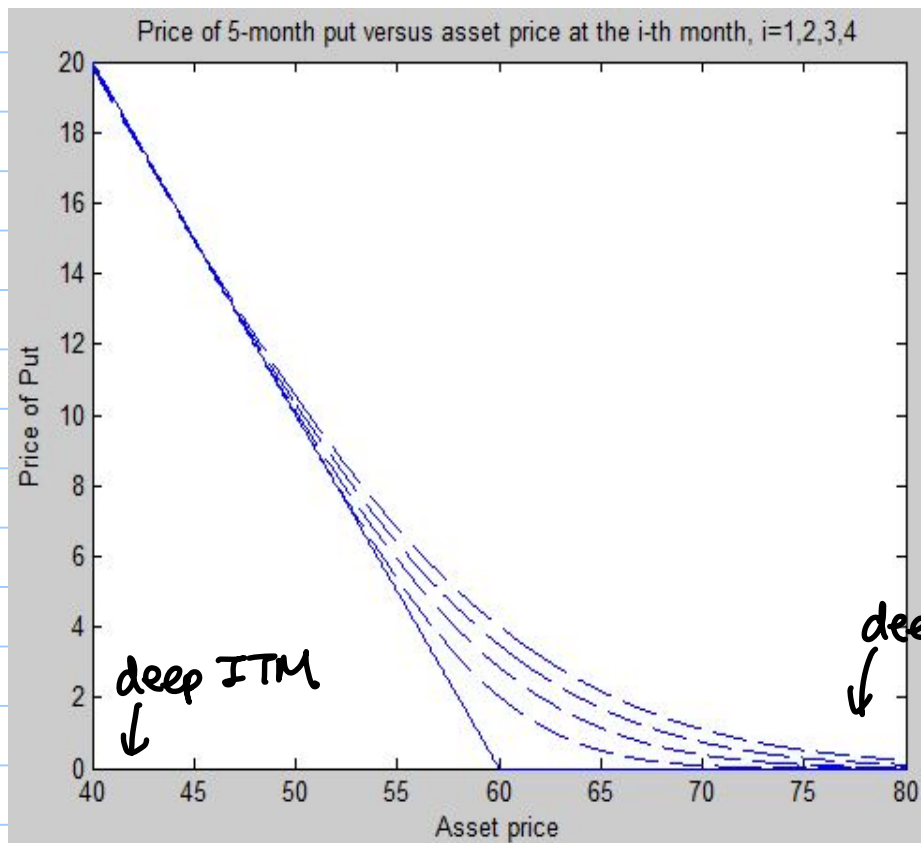
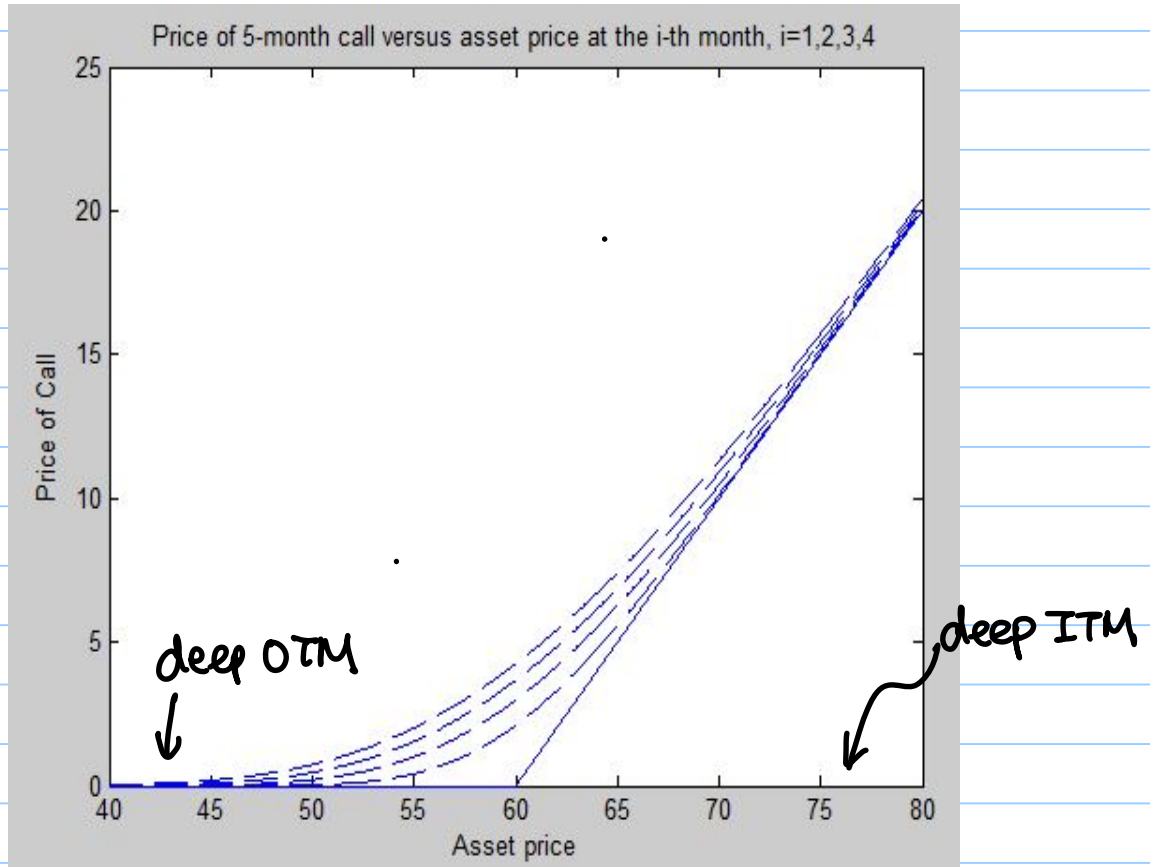
$$P = Ke^{-r(T-t)} - Se^{-\delta(T-t)} + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \quad \quad \quad \parallel \text{ by ①} \\ & \quad \quad \quad Se^{-\delta(T-t)} N(d_1) - Ke^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2) \\ & = Ke^{-r(T-t)} \underbrace{[1 - N(d_2)]}_{= N(-d_2)} - Se^{-\delta(T-t)} \underbrace{[1 - N(d_1)]}_{= N(-d_1)} \end{aligned}$$



Assume $S \equiv 62$ at all time
 $K = 60$

Note: For a fixed strike price K and a fixed time to expiration $(T-t)$ (even if large),
 when $S \ll K$ (deep out of the money), $C \rightarrow 0$ (delta ~ 0 here)
 when $S \gg K$ (deep in the money), $C \sim S$ (little advantage in owning the option over
 owning the stock itself, delta ~ 1 here)



Option Greeks



implied volatility



	LAST	DELTA	GAMMA	THETA	VEGA	IMPLD VL. %	CHANGE %	
AAPL May22'15 124 CALL	2.75	0.4856	0.0542	-0.0931	0.1031	28.804%	-0.70	-20.29%
AAPL May22'15 124 PUT	2.90	-0.5146	0.0542	-0.0922	0.1031	27.396%	+0.83	40.10%
AAPL	124.01						-1.79	-1.42%



V = value of a portfolio of derivative on one underlying
(e.g. a naked call / put
a butterfly, or any
option combo.)

$$\Delta(V) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}, \quad \Theta(V) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$$

$$\Gamma(V) = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}, \quad \text{vega}(V) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial \sigma}, \quad \rho(V) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$$

$C = C(S, t; \underbrace{\sigma, r, q, K}_{\substack{\text{assumed} \\ \text{fixed} \\ \text{for now}}})$

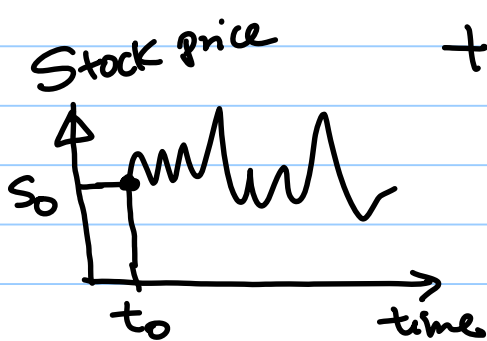
GBM model assumes σ does not change, we shall change our viewpoint later

The greeks tell you how an option price changes when the underlying parameters change:

Taylor's theorem: assumed fixed for now

$$C(S_0 + \Delta S, t_0 + \Delta t; \sigma, r, q, K)$$

$$\approx C(S_0, t_0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial C}{\partial S} \Big|_{S=S_0}}_{\text{Delta } (>0)} \Delta S + \underbrace{\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=t_0}}_{\text{Theta } (<0)} \Delta t \quad \begin{matrix} \Delta S, \\ \Delta t \\ \text{Small} \end{matrix}$$



$$+ \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2} \Big|_{S=S_0}}_{\text{Gamma } (>0)} (\Delta S)^2$$

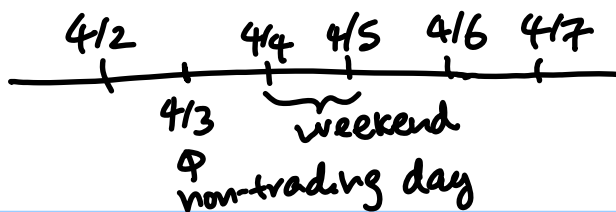
why worry about this 2nd order term but not others (such as $\Delta S \Delta t$, or Δt^2 terms)?
will address this later....

Similarly,

$$P(S_0 + \Delta S, t_0 + \Delta t; \sigma, r, q, K)$$

$$= P(S_0, t_0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial P}{\partial S} \Big|_{S=S_0}}_{\text{Delta } (<0)} \Delta S + \underbrace{\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} \Big|_{t=t_0}}_{\text{Theta } (<0)} \Delta t$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial S^2} \Big|_{S=S_0}}_{\text{Gamma } (>0)} (\Delta S)^2 + \dots$$



Recall our near-the-money IBM call

$t_0 = \text{April 2, 2015}$, $T = \text{April 17, 2015}$

$S_{4/2/2015} = \$160$, $S_{4/6/2015} = \$162.5$, $\Delta S = \$2.5$

$C_{4/2/2015} = \$2.36$ $C_{4/6/2015} = \$3.70$ $\Delta t = 1$ trading day

- near-the-money delta $\gtrapprox 0.5$
- theta decay negligible in this case

$$\Delta C \gtrapprox 0.5 \times \$2.5 = \$1.25$$

This is about the same magnitude we saw in the option market

$$(\Delta C)_{\text{real}} = \$1.34$$

Note: The option value goes up by more than 50% while the underlying only goes up by $\frac{2.5}{160} = 1.56\%$.

Formulas for the Greeks

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$$P = K e^{-r(T-t)} N(-d_2) - S e^{-q(T-t)} N(-d_1)$$

where

$$d_1 = \frac{[\ln(S/K) + (r - q + \sigma^2/2)(T-t)]}{\sigma \sqrt{T-t}}$$

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

- $\Delta(C) = \frac{\partial C}{\partial S} = e^{-q(T-t)} N(d_1) \in (0, 1)$

$$\Delta(P) = \frac{\partial P}{\partial S} = -e^{-q(T-t)} N(-d_1) \in (-1, 0)$$

If $r = q = 0$, $K = S$ (ATM)

$$d_1 = \frac{\sigma}{2} \sqrt{T-t} > 0$$

$$\approx 0$$

Typically this number is not significantly bigger than 0 (e.g. $\sigma = 0.2$,

$$T-t = 2 \text{ weeks}$$

$$= \frac{14}{252} \text{ years}$$

So

$$\Delta(C) = N(d_1) \gtrapprox 0.5$$

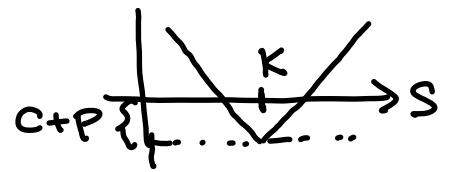


Similarly,

$$\Delta(P) = -N(-d_1)$$

$$\gtrapprox -0.5$$





Straddle : long one ATM call
+
long one ATM put } same underlying
same expiry

CONTRACT	LAST	DELTA	GAMMA	THETA	VEGA	IMPLD VL. %
IBM	♦ 170.16					
IBM May 170 Straddle		0.0385	0.1573	-0.2389	0.2079	
IBM May15'15 170 CALL	♦ 2.03	0.5196	0.0814	-0.1159	0.1040	18.899%
IBM May15'15 170 PUT	♦ 2.16	-0.4811	0.0760	-0.1230	0.1040	20.257%

If $T-t$ small (i.e. near-term options),
 $\Delta(\text{straddle}) \approx 0$ (approximately "delta-neutral")

i.e. portfolio is not sensitive to small change in the underlying.

Recall: If $f'(x_0) = 0$, then the 2nd degree term becomes important:

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + \cancel{f'(x_0)(x-x_0)} + \frac{1}{2} f''(x_0)(x-x_0)^2 + \dots$$

So the Gamma is important for delta-neutral portfolio.

Strangle (similar to straddle) :

- long one (slightly) out-of-the-money call
+
long one (slightly) out-of-the-money put



- Approximately delta-neutral

- Gamma (Γ)

$$\Gamma(C) = \frac{e^{-\delta(T-t)}}{S\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d^2/2} (>0)$$

$$\Gamma(P) = \Gamma(C) \quad (>0)$$

What does it mean to a delta-neutral Straddle or Strangle?

$$\begin{aligned}
 &V(S_0 + \Delta S, t_0 + \Delta t) \\
 &= V(S_0, t_0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \bigg|_{S_0}}_{=0} \Delta S + \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}}_{>0} (\Delta S)^2 \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \bigg|_{t_0}}_{<0} \Delta t
 \end{aligned}$$

"Theta decay" \rightarrow (points to the $\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \big|_{t_0} \Delta t$ term)
 "Gamma gain" \rightarrow (points to the $\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} (\Delta S)^2$ term)
 A red arrow labeled "Slight!" points from the "Gamma gain" term to the "Theta decay" term.

$$\Gamma(C; K_1) > 0 + \Gamma(P; K_2) > 0$$

When we **long options** (as in Straddle or Strangle), **gamma is our friend**:

regardless of the movement of the underlying (i.e. ΔS positive or negative) "Gamma gain" is positive.

However, the portfolio only gains value if the "Gamma gain" beats the "Theta decay".

• Theta (Θ)

$$\Theta(C) = - \frac{S \sigma e^{-q(T-t)}}{2\sqrt{2\pi(T-t)}} e^{-d_1^2/2}$$

$$+ q S e^{-q(T-t)} N(d_1) - r K e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2)$$

$$\Theta(P) = - \frac{S \sigma e^{-q(T-t)}}{2\sqrt{2\pi(T-t)}} e^{-d_1^2/2}$$

$$- q S e^{-q(T-t)} N(-d_1) + r K e^{-r(T-t)} N(-d_2)$$

more difficult to analyze, but most of the time

$$\Theta(C) < 0, \Theta(P) < 0$$

For instance, if $q=r=0$, then it's clear that $\Theta(C) < 0, \Theta(P) < 0$.

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Note: if } S=K \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow T} \Theta(C) = -\infty \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow T} \Theta(P) = -\infty \end{array} \right]$$

When you are **selling** options, Theta is your friend (most of the time.)

- $$\text{vega}(C) = \frac{\partial C}{\partial \sigma} = S e^{-\delta(T-t)} \sqrt{T-t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-d^2/2}$$

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 $\text{vega}(P)$

But what does it mean to think of σ varying?

will discuss:

"Implied Volatility"