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- 2 put options, K=20,30 trading for \$4,\$6 find arbitrage
- $\begin{cases} S \ge 30 \Rightarrow 0 \\ 20 \le S \le 30 \Rightarrow \text{-ve} \\ 0 \le S \le 20 \Rightarrow \text{-ve} \end{cases}$
- 0 or -ve, so take opposite and done
- graph (K,P(K)) not **strictly** convex \Rightarrow ar-30
- 20 10 Strike=K • 2²⁹ has 9 digits all different - find missing
 - digit - key: 9 divides [n - Sum(digits n)] - **Proof**: $n = a_n 10^n + a_{n-1} 10^{n-1} + ... + a_1 10^1 +$
 - $S(n) = a_n + a_{n-1} + ... + a_1 + a_0$
 - $-n-S(n) = a_n(10^n-1) + a_{n-1}(10^{n-1}-1) + \dots +$ $a_1(10^1-1)+a_0-a_0$ $-10^k - 1$ = all 9s = divisible by 9. so QED
 - Sum(digits n) = $\sum_{1}^{9} i x = 45 x$ $- so 9|(2^{29} - 45 - x)|$
 - but $2^{29} = 2^5 \times 2^{6 \times 4} = 2^5 \times 64^4 = 2^5 \times 64^5 = 2^5 \times 64^$ $(63+1)^4 = 2^5 \times (k \times 63) + 1 = k \times 63 \times 2^5 + 1$ $2^5 = 9 \times \text{ something for some k}$
- so $9/(2^{29}-45-x)$ and $9/(2^{29}-2^5)$ so $9/(2^{29}-2^5)$ $45-x)-(2^{29}-2^5)$ $-9(45-x-2^5) = (45-x-32) = (13-x)$ so
- $\int_0^L W_t dt$ what is distribution? is it martin- $-X_T = \int_0^T W_t dt \Leftrightarrow dX_t = W_t dt + 0.dW_t =$
- only drift so not martingale $-dX_t = W_t dt \Leftrightarrow X_T = \int_0^T W_t dt \Leftrightarrow X_T =$ $[W_t t]_0^T - \int_0^T t dW_t = TW_T - \int_0^T t dW_t =$

 $T \int_0^T dW_t - \int_0^T t dW_t = \int_0^T (T-t) dW_t$

- Recall stochastic integral $\int_{0}^{T} f(t)dW_{t} \sim N(0, \int_{0}^{T} |f(t)|^{2} dt)$
- $-X_T = \int_0^T (T-t)dW_t \sim N(0, \int_0^T |T-t|^2)dt =$
- -2x6-3x4=0, so try $2(20-S)^+-3(30-S)^+>$ Alice sends 20 ants towards Bob in straight line, Bob 50 towards Alice in straight line. Ants collide and go back. How many reach
 - Bob? Alice? How many collisions? - imagine ants carry a flag and pass it on.
 - so 50 reach Alice and 20 reach Bob.

 num collisions: each of Bob's 50 flags must go though 20 collisions to reach Alice, each of Alice's 20 flags goes through 50 collisions to reach Bob: $2x 50 \times 20 = 2000$
 - find all p such that this is a collrelation mat-0,6 -0.3
 - Ω correlation matrix $\Leftrightarrow \Omega$ symmetric positive definite - Sylvester, Cholesky, definition
 - Sylvester criterion: all the principal minor determinants must be >0 (principal minor: remove the same rows and same column indices form a matrix)
 - \rightarrow det(1) = 1, remove 1,2 \rightarrow det(1) = 1 2. remove $3 \to \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0.6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0.64$

1. remove $2.3 \rightarrow \det(1) = 1$, remove 1.3

- 3. remove $2 \to \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -0.3 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix} = 0.91$
- 4. remove $1 \rightarrow \det \begin{vmatrix} 1 & p \\ p & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1 p^2$
- 5. remove ∅ $\det \Omega$ $\det\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.6 & -0.3 \\ 0.6 & 1 & p \\ -0.3 & p & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ -0.3
- down up $\rightarrow 1 0.18p 0.18p 0.09$ $p^2 - 0.36 = 0.55 - 0.36p - p^2$ $(1 - p^2 > 0)$
- how many draws N of U[0,1] such that $P(0.7 < U[0,1] < 0.72) \ge 0.95$ for one U[0,1]- P(none of the N rv in [0.7, 0.72])=0.98^N \rightarrow

 $0.5\dot{5} - 0.36p - p^2 > 0$

- P(at least one in [0.7,0.72]) = $1-0.98^N$ and solve $1 - 0.98^N > 0.95$ • prove pdf of N(0,1) is : $\int pdf = 1$
- $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(-\frac{x^2}{2})dx$ substitute $x^2/2 =$ $t \rightarrow dx = \sqrt{(2)}dt \rightarrow \text{need prove } I :=$

- $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(-t^2) dt = \sqrt{\pi}$ $-I^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(-x^2) dx \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(-y^2) dy =$ $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp(-x^2 + y^2) dx dy$ $-x = r\cos\theta, y = r\sin\theta, dxdy = rdrd\theta$
- $-I^{2} = \int_{0}^{+\infty} \int_{0}^{+2\pi} \exp(-r^{2}) r dr d\theta$ $2\pi \int_{0}^{+\infty} \exp(-r^2) r dr = 2\pi \left[\frac{-1}{2} \exp(-r^2) \right]_{0}^{+\infty}$ $\pi \to I = \sqrt{\pi}$
- walk 1m south, 1m east, 1m north, then back at same point - where are you o Earth? - find latitute near south Pole such that
 - round-the-world=1m. then any point 1m north of this works also any latitude near south Pole such that round-the-world= $\frac{1}{k}$ works (go round the

world k times but still end up same point)

solve Oernstein-Uhlenbeck SDE - Vasicek for IR $-dr_t = \lambda(\theta - r_t)dt + \sigma dW_t \rightarrow dr +$

$$\lambda r_t dt = \lambda \theta dt + \sigma dW_t \stackrel{\text{Xe}}{\Rightarrow} e^{\lambda t} (dr + \lambda r_t dt) = e^{\lambda t} (\lambda \theta dt + \sigma dW_t) \rightarrow d(r_t e^{\lambda t}) = e^{\lambda t} (\lambda \theta dt + \sigma dW_t) \rightarrow [r_t e^{\lambda t}]_0^t = \int_0^t \lambda \theta e^{\lambda s} ds + \int_0^t \sigma e^{\lambda s} dW_s \rightarrow r_t e^{\lambda t} - r_0 = \theta(e^{\lambda t} - 1) + e^{\lambda t} ds$$

 $\sigma \int_0^t e^{\lambda s} dW_s \rightarrow r_t = e^{-\lambda t} r_0 + \theta (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) +$

- $\sigma \int_0^t e^{-\lambda(s-t)} dW_s$ and that is it. - note however $E(\int_0^t f(s)dW_s) = \text{"sum of}$
- N(0, .)''=0 so $E(r_t) = e^{-\lambda t}r_0 + \theta(1 e^{-\lambda t})$ which $\rightarrow \theta$ as $r \uparrow +\infty$ "mean reverting" 2 Calculus
- i^{i} ? $e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}i} = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$

so $f(e) > f(\pi)$

- $\pi^e > < e^{\pi}$? try $\ln(\pi^e) = e \ln(\pi)$ vs $\ln(e^{\pi}) =$ $\pi \ln(e)$ ie $\frac{\ln(\pi)}{\pi}$ vs $\frac{\ln(e)}{e}$ ie check $f(x) = \frac{\ln(x)}{x}$ ie $f'(x) = (\frac{\ln(x)}{x})' = \frac{1}{x}\frac{1}{x} + \ln(x)\frac{-1}{x^2} = \frac{1-\ln x}{x^2}$ ie f'(x) < 0 if x > e and f'(x) > 0 if x < e ie $f(x) \uparrow \text{ on } [0,e] \text{ and } f \downarrow \text{ on } [e,...+\infty] \text{ and } e < \pi$
 - $\frac{e^x + e^y}{2} > e^{\frac{x+y}{2}}$? $e^{\frac{x+y}{2}} = \sqrt{e^{x+y}} = \sqrt{e^x} \sqrt{e^y}$ ie $a^2 + e^x \sqrt{e^y}$ $b^2 > 2ab$ ie $a^2 - 2ab + b^2 > 0$ which is true
 - solve $x^6 = 64$ $2^6 = 64$ and $z^6 = 1 \Leftrightarrow z =$ $e^{\frac{2ik\pi}{6}}$, $k \in 0...5$ so $x = 2e^{\frac{2ik\pi}{6}}$, $k \in 0...5$
 - derivative of x^x ? $x^x = e^{x \ln(x)}$ so derivative = $g' \circ f.f'$ ie $e^{x \ln(x)} (\ln(x) + x \frac{1}{x}) = x^x (\ln(x) + 1)$
 - compute $\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 \dots}}}$? $l = \sqrt{2 + l}$ ie $l^2 = \sqrt{2 + l}$ l + 2 ie (l - 2)(l + 1) = 0 ie l = 2 since l > 0

- assuming limit exists. but $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{x_n + 2}$ is increasing (same reason) and bounded abve, so l exists and l=2
- $let x_0 = \sqrt{(2)}, x_{n+1} = x_n^{\sqrt{2}}.$ prove $\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}}$ Prove sequence is increasing, bounded from above by 2.therefore has a limit. Therefore that limit must = $\sqrt{2}$ • which one converges ? $\sum \frac{1}{k}$, $\sum \frac{1}{k^2}$, $\sum \frac{1}{k \ln(k)}$
 - 1. $\sum \frac{1}{k^2} \le \sum \frac{1}{k(k-1)} = \sum \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{k-1} \le 1 1/n < 2$ so ↑, bounded ie converges.
 - 2. $\sum \frac{1}{k} > \ln(n) + \frac{1}{n}$ because $\int_{1}^{n} \frac{1}{x} dx =$ $\sum_{1}^{n-1} \int_{k}^{k+1} \frac{1}{x} dx < \sum_{1}^{n-1} \int_{k}^{k+1} \frac{1}{k} dx =$ $\sum_{1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} [x]_{k}^{k+1} = \sum_{1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} = \sum_{1}^{n} \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{n}$
- 3. $\sum \frac{1}{k \ln(k)}$: similarly compare $\int_1^n \frac{1}{x \ln(x)} dx$ and note $\int \frac{1}{x \ln(x)} = \ln(\ln(x))$ • compute $\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$? substitute x =

 $\tan(z) = \frac{\sin z}{\cos z}$ so $dx = \frac{1}{\cos^2 z} dz = \frac{1}{\cos^2 z} dz$

- $\cos z \frac{1}{\cos z} + \sin z \frac{-1}{\cos^2 z} (-\sin z) = 1 + \frac{\sin^2 z}{\cos^2 z} =$ $\left(\frac{1}{\cos^2 z}\right)$ so $\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{1+\tan^2 z} \frac{1}{\cos^2 z} dz =$ $\int \frac{1}{\cos^2 z + \sin^2 z} dz = \int dz = z + C = \arctan x + C$ • compute $\int x \ln(x) dx$? $\int x \ln(x) dx =$
 - $\left[\frac{x^2}{2} \ln x\right] \left[\frac{x^2}{2} \frac{1}{x}\right]$ • compute $\int xe^x dx$? $\int xe^x dx = [xe^x] - \int e^x dx$
 - compute $\int x^n \ln x \, dx = \int x^n \ln x \, dx = \int x^n \ln x \, dx$
 - $\left[\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}\ln x\right] \left[\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}\frac{1}{x}dx\right]$ • compute $\int \ln^n x \, dx$? $\int \ln^n x \, dx = [x \ln^n x] -$
 - $\int x n \ln^{n-1}(x) \frac{1}{x} dx = \left[x \ln^n x \right] n \int \ln^{n-1}(x) dx$ so recursion $f_n(x) = [x \ln^n x] - n f_{n-1}(x)$
 - solve y'' 4y' + 4y = 1 general solution y'' - $4y' + 4y = 0 \rightarrow z^2 - 4z + 4 = 0 \rightarrow (z-2)^2 =$ $0 \rightarrow y = C_1 e^{2x} + C_2 x e^{2x} + \text{particular solution}$
 - solve y' = y(1-y) $y' = y(1-y) \rightarrow \frac{y'}{v(1-y)} =$ $1 \to \int \frac{y'}{v(1-v)} dx = \int 1 dx \overset{y'=dy/dx}{\Rightarrow} \int \frac{dy}{v(1-v)} =$

 $\int 1 dx \text{ with } \int \frac{dy}{v(1-v)} = \int (\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{v-1}) dy \text{ so } \ln y - \frac{1}{v-1} = \int (\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{v-1}) dy$

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$$\ln(1-y) = \ln(\frac{y}{1-y}) = x + C \text{ so } \frac{y}{1-y} = e^{x+C}$$
• derive BS PDE set $\Pi = V - \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}S$ so $d\Pi = dV - \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS$ and $\frac{dS}{S} = \mu dt + \sigma dW$ and $dV = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dt + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S}(dS)^2$ and $(dS)^2 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S}(dS)^2$

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$$dV = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}dt + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}(dS)^2 \text{ and } (dS)^2 = \sigma^2 S^2 dt \text{ so } dV = (\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}\sigma^2 S^2)dt + \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}dS$$

so
$$d\Pi$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2 S^2\right) dt \text{ risk free growth}$$

$$= r\Pi dt$$

$$= r(V - \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}S) dt \text{ so } \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2 S^2\right)$$

$$= r(V - \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}S)$$

$$\text{rearrange } \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} \sigma^2 S^2 + r \frac{\partial V}{\partial S}S - rV = 0$$

3 Linear algebra • $\operatorname{cov} \Sigma_X$ & $\operatorname{corr} \Omega_X$ matrices are +ve sem.-def $- \Sigma(j,k) = cov(X_j, X_k) = cov(X_k, X_j) =$

 $=E[Y-E(Y)]^2$

 $= E[\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i (X_i - \mu_i)^2]$

$$(\star)var(\sum_{i=1}^{n}c_{i}X_{i}) = C^{T}\Sigma_{X}C \text{ with } C = \vdots$$
and var(.)>= 0 so Σ_{X} is positive, and symmetric (see above), so the semi-definite

 $corr(X_k, X_i) = \Omega(k, i).$

 $\Sigma_X(k,j)$ and $\Omega(j,k) = corr(X_i,X_k) =$

metric (see above), so +ve semi-definite - Proof of (\star) : let $Y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i X_i$ then Y - $E[Y] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i (X_i - \mu_i)$ and Var(Y)

$$= E[\sum_{1 \le j,k \le n} c_j c_k (X_j - \mu_j) (X_k - \mu_k)]$$

$$= \sum_{1 \le j,k \le n} c_j c_k E[(X_j - \mu_j) (X_k - \mu_k)]$$

$$= \sum_{1 \le j,k \le n} c_j c_k cov(X_j, X_k)$$

$$= \sum_{1 \le j,k \le n} c_j c_k \sum_{X} (j,k)$$

$$= C^T \sum_{X} C$$

- For correlation: $\Sigma_X = D_{\sigma_X} \Omega_X D_{\sigma_X}$ where

$$D_{\sigma_X} = Diag(\sigma_i), \sigma_i^2 = var(X_i), i \in 1..n$$

and $w^T \Sigma_X w = w^T D_{\sigma_X} \Omega_X D_{\sigma_X} w = v^T D_{\sigma_X}^{-1} D_{\sigma_X} \Omega_X D_{\sigma_X} D_{\sigma_X}^{-1} v = v^T \Omega_X v \geq 0$
so correlation Ω_X positive semi-definite.

so correlation
$$\Omega_X$$
 positive semi-definite.
• Find correlation Ω for covariance matrix

- Find eigenvalues of Ω then state that all e.v must be +ve to find the condition on p $-\Omega = (1-p)I + pM$ with I = identity. M=all 1s. But ev of M are easy to find : $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \rightarrow v_1 + v_2 + v_3 + v_4 + v_4 + v_5 + v_4 + v_5 + v_4 + v_5 + v_5 + v_6 +$ $\dots + v_n = \lambda v_1 = \lambda v_2 = \dots = \lambda v_n$ so $\begin{cases} \lambda = 0 \\ v_1 = v_2 = v_n \to v_1 + v_2 + v_n = nv_1 = \lambda v_1 \end{cases}$ so $\lambda = 0$, n and for $\Omega v = (1 - p)Iv + pMv =$ $(1-p)v + p\lambda v = (1-p+p\lambda)v$ so $\lambda = n \to 1 - p + pn \ge 0 \quad \text{so } \frac{1}{1 - n} \le p \le 1$ $(\lambda = 0 \rightarrow 1 - p \ge 0)$

prove *nxn* matrix has n eigenvalues

independent eigenvectors.

- find the evals:

 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \sigma_3 \end{bmatrix} \Omega_X \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

 $0 \mid \Sigma_X \mid 0$

 $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\Sigma(1,1)} = 1, \sigma_2 = \sqrt{\Sigma(2,2)} = 2, \sigma_3 =$

 $\sqrt{\Sigma(3,3)} = 3$

• Find allowable p for $\Omega =$

gular $\Leftrightarrow det(\lambda I - A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P_A(\lambda) = 0$ so n roots, so n eigenvalues but some may be - An eigenvalue of multiplicity m has at least 1 eigenvector and at most m linearly

 $-Av = \lambda v \Leftrightarrow (\lambda I - A)v = 0 \Leftrightarrow (\lambda I - A) \sin \theta$

- find $X^2 = A$ and $YY^T = A$ for $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ - A symmetric ! $\Leftrightarrow A = O^T \Lambda O$ with $\Lambda =$ Diag(evals) and O orthogonal and made
 - up of the evectors ie $A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$, $O = (v_1 v_2)$,

$$Av_1 = \lambda_1 v_1, Av_2 = \lambda_2 v_2, ||v_1|| = 1, ||v_2|| = 1$$

 $-X = O^T \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}O, O^T O = I$ as O =orthogonal
 $-A$ symmetric +ve definite \Leftrightarrow Cholesky
 $\Leftrightarrow A = U^T U$ with $U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ u_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ so $Y = U^T$

 $det(\lambda I - A) = det\begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$ - find the evecs with $\|.\| = 1$ - find the Cholesky \ddot{U} by solving linear equation $\begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & 0 \\ u_{12} & u_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} \\ 0 & u_{22} \end{bmatrix} = A$

find $Av, v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- find $c_1, c_2 : v = c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$ (solve equation) $-Av = c_1 Av_1 + c_2 Av_2 = c_1 \lambda_1 v_1 + c_2 \lambda_2 v_2$ show trace(AB) = trace(BA) for A, B = nxn $-(\star)P_{AB}(\lambda) = P_{BA}(\lambda) = det(\lambda I - AB) =$ $det(\lambda I - BA)$ $(-1)^n det(M)$

• if $\lambda_1 = 2, \lambda_2 = -3, v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

 $-P_M(\lambda) = det(\lambda I - M) = \lambda^n - trace(M) + ... +$ - so trace(AB) = trace(BA)- Proof ★: $det(\lambda I - AB)$ $= det(\lambda IB^{-1}B - B^{-1}BAB)$

 $= det(B^{-1})det(\lambda IB - BAB)$ $= det(B^{-1})det(\lambda I - BA)det(B)$ $= det(B^{-1})det(B)det(\lambda I - BA)$ $= det(B^{-1}B)det(\lambda I - BA)$ $= det(\lambda I - BA)$ - for singular B, use $B - \epsilon I$ which is nonsingular apart from finite $\epsilon = evalue$ so let

solve AB - BA - I = 0 for A, B = nxn- no solution since trace(AB - BA) =trace(AB) - trace(BA) = 0• show A, B prob. Mat $\Rightarrow AB$ prob. Mat - A prob. Mat := sum of rows == $1 \Leftrightarrow A\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{I}$

 $-(AB)\mathbb{I} = A(B\mathbb{I}) = A\mathbb{I} = \mathbb{I}$

inant) – see above

algorithm must be ≥ 0 :

 $= \begin{bmatrix} 0.64 & \rho + 0.18 \\ \rho + 0.18 & 0.91 \end{bmatrix}$

• all $\rho : \Omega := 0.6$

= corr matrix - Sylvester, Cholesky, Definition - Sylvester: all the principal minors must be >0 (princicipal minors: remove same row and same column, compute determ-

- Cholesky: the determinant of the 2x2 matrix M in the first step of the Cholesky $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ -0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & -0.3 \end{bmatrix}$

 $\det M = \det \begin{bmatrix} 0.64 & \rho + 0.18 \\ \rho + 0.18 & 0.91 \end{bmatrix} \ge 0$

(convex:curve must be below line) so arbitrage exists

 $\frac{70-K}{30}10 + \frac{K-40}{30}30 = 10 + \frac{x-40}{70-40}(30-10) =$ $10 + \frac{30-10}{70-40}(x-40)$ - on that line P(50) = 20 > C(50) = $\frac{70-50}{30}10 + \frac{50-40}{30}30 = 50/3$ so not convex

ie $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 1.2x_1x_2 - 0.6x_1x_3 +$

 $2\rho x_1 x_3 \geq 0$ then complete squares

 $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 1.2x_1x_2 - 0.6x_1x_3 + 2\rho x_1x_3 =$

 $x_1^2 + 1.2x_1x_2 - 0.6x_1x_3 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 2\rho x_1x_3 =$

 $x_1^2 + 2x_1(0.6x_2 - 0.3x_3) + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 2\rho x_1 x_3 =$

 $(x_1+0.6x_2-0.3x_3)^2-(0.6x_2-0.3x_3)^2++x_2^2+$

 $x_3^2 + 2\rho x_1 x_3 = (x_1 + 0.6x_2 - 0.3x_3)^2 + 0.64x_2^2 +$

 $2x_2x_3(\rho + 0.18) + 0.91x_3^2$ and complete last

3 put options (strike=K,Price(K))=

(40,10),(50,20),(70,30). Is there arbitrageif

- graph $K \mapsto Price(K)$ must be strictly con-

- line through (40,10) and (70,30) : $C : K \mapsto$

sqaure again same method

Financial instruments

vex else arbitrage

so build it

- construct arbitrage: find porfolio in the puts so that 1. V(0) < 0, 2. $V(T) > 0 \forall T$

with V(T) =- try $2x10 + 30 - 3x20 = 2P_{40} + P_{50} - 3P_{70} =$ $2(40-K)^{+} + (50-K)^{+} - 3(70-K)^{+}$ • Price of a stock now P=50. In 3m, either P=47 or P=52 with prob 50-50. How much

for ATM put? Assume no dividends and Interest rate = 0 real world probability irrelevant standard solutions follows: $- P(0) = p_{up}P_{up} + p_{down}P_{down}$

 $= pP_{\rm up} + (1-p)P_{\rm down}$ = puP(0) + (1-p)dP(0)-P(0) == puP(0) + (1-p)dP(0)-1 = pu + (1-p)d with $u = \frac{P_{up}}{P(0)} = \frac{52}{50}$, $d = \frac{47}{50}$ $-1 = p(u-d) + d \Rightarrow p = \frac{1-d}{u-d} = \dots = 0.6$

 $- O(0) = pO_{up} + (1-p)O_{down}^{n}$ - (here) O=ATM put , ATM means strike=Price now = 50 $- O(0) = p0 + (1-p)3 = 0.6 \times 0 + 0.4 \times 3 = 1.2$ alternative solution follows:

- Set up portfolio $\Pi = +1$ Option + $(-1)\Delta_{\text{Option}}$ Stock with Δ_{Option} = $\frac{O_{\rm up} - O_{\rm down}}{S_{\rm up} - S_{\rm down}} = \text{(here)} \ \frac{0 - 3}{52 - 47} = 0.6$

- **Definition** $\begin{bmatrix} x^t \Omega x & \geq & 0 & \forall x & \text{ie} \\ [x_1 & x_2 & x_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.6 & -0.3 \\ 0.6 & 1 & \rho \\ -0.3 & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ - (here) $\Pi = +1$ Option + (-1)(-0.6) Stock Stefanica - 150 quant interviews
Alain Chenier, page 3, 17-Sep-2017 $= \Pi(T) = \begin{cases} S(T) = 52 \Rightarrow 0 + 0.6 \times 52 = 31.2 \\ S(T) = 47 \Rightarrow 3 + 0.6 \times 47 = 31.2 \end{cases}$

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$$\Pi(0)$$
 = discounted $\Pi(T)$ $\stackrel{\text{IR}=0}{=}$ $\Pi(T)$ = $31.2 = O(0) + 0.6 \times S(0) = O(0) + 0.6 \times 50 \Rightarrow$
 $O(0) = 31.2 - 0.6 \times 50 = 31.2 - 30 = 1.2$

• What is risk neutral pricing?

$$-V(0) = \mathbb{E}\left[e^{-rT}V(S(T))\right]$$

$$-\text{ with } S(T) = S(0)e^{(r-q-\frac{\sigma^2}{2})T+\sigma\sqrt{T}N(0,1)}$$

not OK for path-dependent

- risk neutral pricing

- BS PDE. .

* Payoff = boundary conditions

* Transform to heat equationbinomial tree, with calibration:

* drift = risk free rate

* terminal dist = lognormal when num

time steps $\rightarrow \infty$ • Approximate formula for ATM put?

- Put_{ATM} $\approx 0.4S_0 \sigma \sqrt{T}$ when total variance

 $= \sigma^2 T \text{ small}$ • if the price of a

if the price of a stock doubles, how does call option change?
 depends if call option ITM, ATM, OTM

- depends if call option 11M, A1M, O1
- ITM:

* $C - P = S - K \leftrightarrow Put$ -call parity * $C + Ke^{-rT} = S \Rightarrow C = S - Ke^{-rT}$ so $C \times 2$ - ATM: call option \rightarrow ITM, $C \uparrow (\times 10)$

- OTM: call option \rightarrow ATM, $C \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow (\times 10^n)$

what are the possible values of Delta of an option?

- Call option:
 * long Call: [0 (OTM) ...1 (ITM)]

- Put option: * $C + P = S \leftrightarrow Put$ -Call parity

* $C + P = S \leftrightarrow$ * $\Delta_C + \Delta_P = 1$

 what is Delta of +1 ATM Call? what is Delta of +1 ATM Put?

of +1 ATM Put?

Delta of +1 ATM Call = 0.5
Delta of +1 ATM Put = -0.5

- $\Delta_{\text{Call}} = N(d_1)$ with $d_1 = \frac{\ln \frac{S}{K} + (r - d + \frac{\sigma^2}{2})}{\sigma \sqrt{T}}$

* ATM $\rightarrow K = S$, assume r=q=0 $\rightarrow d_1 = \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}$

* $\Delta_{\text{Call}}^2 = N(d_1) = N(0.5\sigma\sqrt{T})$

* $0.5\sigma\sqrt{T}$ normaly small eg for $\sigma = 0.5$, $T = 1 \Rightarrow 0.5 \times 0.5\sqrt{1} = 0.25$

* N(x) about 0 is $N(x) = 0.5 + \frac{x}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$

* so $\Delta_{\rm Call} = N(d1) \approx 0.5$ since $d_1 = 0.5\sigma\sqrt{T}$ small

 $-\Delta_{\text{Put}} = -N(-d_1)$ * so $\Delta_{\text{Put}} = -N(-d_1) \approx -0.5$

 $-N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{x} e^{\frac{-z^2}{2}} dz = 0.5 +$

 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^x e^{\frac{-z^2}{2}} dz = 0.5 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^x [1 + \dots] dz \approx 0.5 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} x$

what is Put-Call parity?Call - Put = Forward

- Call - Put = Forward - $(S - K)^+ - (K - S)^+ = S - K$

 $-C(0) - P(0) = [S(0)e^{rT} - K]e^{-rT}$ - C(0) - P(0) = S(0) - Ke^{-rT}

 $-C(t) - P(t) = S(t) - Ke^{-r(T-t)}$

• Show that the time value of an option is highest ATM

time value of call option := call option value - intrinsic value := C(t) - (S_t - K)⁺
 at any time t, for which value of S is this highest 2 S - K 2

at any time t, for which value of S is this highest? S = K?
 fix t, define: f(S) = C(S) - (S - K)⁺

 $-\begin{cases} S \le K \Rightarrow f(S) = C(S) \\ S > K \Rightarrow f(S) = C(S) - (S - K) \end{cases}$

 $-\begin{cases} S \leq K \Rightarrow \text{call option so } \uparrow \text{ with } S \\ S > K \Rightarrow f'(S) = \Delta_C - 1 < 0 \end{cases}$

- so max at S = K• What is implied volatility? volatility smile?

volatility skew ?

– implied volatility = the $\sigma : BS(..., \sigma) = \text{ob-}$

- implied volatility = the σ : $BS(...,\sigma)$ = observed price. Unique σ because $\sigma \uparrow \Rightarrow BS(...,\sigma) \uparrow$

- Volatility smile \smile : $\sigma_{ITM} > \sigma_{ATM} < \sigma_{OTM}$ [currency options]

- Volatility skew \frown : $\sigma_{ITM} < \sigma_{ATM} > \sigma_{OTM}$ [index options, equity options,com. options]

 What is the Gamma of an option? Why is it better to have small Gamma? Why is Gamma of plain vanilla options positive?

- Gamma $\Gamma = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}$

 small Gamma ⇒ Delta does not change quickly ⇒ easier to keep Delta-neutral

- Delta of Call/Put ↑ with ↑ S ..., hence

- Gamma ≈ 0 for OTM / deep ITM, Gamma max ATM

• When is Call = Put?

 $- C_0 - P_0 = (S_0 e^{rT} - K)e^{-rT} = S_0 - Ke^{-rT} = 0 \Leftrightarrow K = S_0 e^{rT}$

- so $C_0 = P_0 \Rightarrow K =$ forward value of asset

• What is 2-year volatility of an asset with 30 % 6m volatility?

 $-\sigma(t) = \sigma_{1Y}\sqrt{T}$ $-\sigma(6m) = \sigma_{1Y}\sqrt{0.5}$ $-\sigma(2y) = \sigma_{1Y}\sqrt{2} = \sigma(6m)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{0.5}}$

Value fix/float swap?PV = fix - float (say)

fix pv = sum of future flowsfloat = right after payment, sumof all

flows = 1 (notional)
- so float = pv of next payment + pv of (1)

at next payment date ← example: 6m swap, N=10M, K=3%, next payment in 1m, then 7m, 13m, 19m, with

last reset saying next flt payment = 125k* fix cpn = $Nr\tau = 10M \times 0.03 \times 0.5 = 150k$ with $\tau = \text{year fraction}$

* fix pv = $150k \times df(\frac{1}{12}) + 150k \times df(\frac{7}{12}) + 150k \times df(\frac{13}{12}) + (10M + 150k) \times df(\frac{19}{12})$

* float pv = $(10M + 125k) \times df(\frac{1}{12})$ * example df for semi-annual LIBOR = $df(t) = [(1 + L \times 0.5) \times (1 + L \times 0.5)]^{-t} \leftrightarrow$

vide 1/(what you get) to get the df = price of zero coupon delivering 1 at T
• Price change of a 10y ZC bond if yield increases by 10bp?

- Duration: $\Delta B = \frac{\partial B}{\partial v} dy = -\left(-\frac{1}{B} \frac{\partial B}{\partial v}\right) B dy :=$

start with 1, keep on re-investing. Di-

 $-DB \, dy$ $- so \frac{\Delta B}{B} = -D \, dy$

- (here) * 10y ZC \Rightarrow D=10

* $dy = 10bps = 10 \times 1e - 4 = 1e - 3$ * $\frac{\Delta B}{B} = -D dy = -10 \times 1e - 3 = -0.01$

* price ↓ 10%
• A 5y ZC bond with Duration D=3.5y has P=102. What is P if yield ↓ 50bp?

 $-\frac{\Delta B}{B} = -D \, \mathrm{d}y$

- (here) * D = 3.5* $dy = -50bp = -5 \times 1e - 3$

* B = 102* $\Delta B = -3.5 \times 102 \times (-5 \times 1e - 3) \approx +1.785$ * $B_{\text{new}} \approx B + 1.785 = 102 + 1.785 = 103.785$

• What is a forward contract?

 (long position) agrees to buy an asset at a specific price at specific time in future

(short position) agrees to sell an asset at a

specific price at specific time in future

that specific price is called the forward price
at T=0 the value of the forward contact

is $0 \leftarrow obv$ price of the forward contract

≠ forward price !! (completely unrelated quantities)
 Forward Price= F = S₀e^{(r-q)T} = price of

the asset in the future

• Forward price of Treasury FUTURES con-

tract vs Forward price of a Commodity FU-TURES contract?For Treasury (ie bond) FUTURES contract, price now includes the bond flows

between now and TBut you won't receive these when you get the bond, so for you, price of bond must

exclude them
- ie Forward price = F_{bond} = $\{PV_{now}(Bond) - PV_{now}(Coupons)\}e^{rT}$

 For Com future, situation is reversed: when you get the Com, you will not have incurred storage costs etc

- ie Forward price = F_{com} = $\{PV_{\text{now}}(\text{Com}) + PV_{\text{now}}(\text{Storage})\}e^{rT}$

• Difference between Future and Forward ?

daily settlement for futures, not so for forward

Standardised maturities, contracts for futures, not so for forwardsExchange involved for futures (reduced

CPTY risk), not so for forwards (OTC)

Range of delivery dates for (COM) futures,

not so for forwards

- Forwards can be cash-settled, even for COMs

• 10-day VAR @ 99% of a portfolio with 5-day VAR @ 95% = USD 100M?

- $VAR(N,C) = \sigma_{V,1Y}P(Z \le C)\sqrt{\frac{N}{252}}V(0)$ with

* N = time horizon eg N=10-days
* P = P for Normal distribution
* C = confidence level = eg 95 % = 0.95

* $\sigma_{V,1Y}$ = annualised std dev of the portfolio PNL

* V(0) = PV now of portfolio

- eliminate the $\sigma_{V,1Y}V(0)$ by division ...

5 C++declare an array

- T foo [3]

- T bar $[] = \{1,2,3\}$

- int T* baz = new int[3]

declare an array of pointers

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Stefanica - 150 quant interviews
Alain Chenier, page 4, 17-Sep-2017
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- T* foo [3]
- $T* bar [] = {&a,&b,&c}$
- int T** baz = new int* [3]
- const pointer to object, const pointer to const object etc
 - Remember the clockwise and backward rule
- T* bar [10]; // array of 10 pointers to T
- char const *chptr; // pointer to a
 const char == pointer to a read-only char
- char * const chptr; // const pointer
 to a char == read-only pointer to a char
- char const * const chptr; // const
 pointer to a const char == read-only
 pointer to a read-only char
- template functions

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template typename <T>
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T temp_sum (T a, T b) return {a+b;}
// accepts 2 Ts, return a+b, which is also a
T

 find max subarray of +ve numbers- check Kadane algorithm

max_ending_hr = max(0,max_ending_hr)

max_ending_nr = max(0,max_ending_nr
max_so_far = max(0,max_ending_here)

// keep track of largest so far

• Reverse a linked list

max ending += a[i];

max_ending_hr = max(0,max_ending_hr)

max_so_far = max(0,max_ending_here)
// keep track of largest so far

6 MC simulation

- How to estimate π? what is the variance of your method?
- Acceptance-Rejection on πR^2 in an $2R \times 2R$ square with R = 1
 - $* \frac{\pi 1^2}{2 \times 2} = \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{A}{N}$
 - * N = num points tried altogether
 - * A = num accepted points
- $-X_i = \mathbb{1}_{D(0,R=1)}(U_i)$ with $U_i \stackrel{\text{uniform}}{=}$ $[-1,1] \times [-1,1]$
- $-\mathbb{E}[X_i] = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{1}_{D(0,R=1)}(U_i)\right]$

$$= \iint\limits_{D(0,R-1)} \frac{1}{4} \, \mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}y = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

- for variance note $X_i^2 \equiv X_i$ since indicator variable!
- so $var\left(\frac{\sum X_i}{N}\right)$
 - $= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{1}^{N} var(X_i)$ $= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\mathbb{E} \left[\mathbf{v}^2 \right] \right) = \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbf{v}^2 \right]$
 - $= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\mathbb{E} \left[X_i^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[X_i \right]^2 \right)$ $= \frac{N}{N} \left(\pi + (\pi)^2 \right)$
 - $=\frac{N}{N^2}\left(\frac{\pi}{4}-\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2\right)$