# Stochastic Financial Models

# 1 Utility and Mean-Variance analysis

- contingent claims —— r.v. X
- utility function —— non-decreasing

**Fact.** Y is preferred to X iff  $\mathbb{E}(U(X)) \leq \mathbb{E}(U(Y))$ 

- indifferent
- risk neutral
- risk averse
- concave
- strictly concave

Proposition 1.1. risk averse iff U concave

- CARA with parameter  $\gamma$  ——  $\gamma \in (0, \infty), U(X) = CARA_{\gamma}(x) = -\exp(-\gamma x)$
- CRRA with parameter R  $R \in (0,1) \cup (1,\infty)$ ,  $U(X) = CRRA_R(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^{1-R}}{1-R} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- CRRA with parameter 1 ——  $U(X) = CRRA_1(x) = \begin{cases} \log x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- constant absolute risk aversion —— CARA
- constant relative risk aversion —— CRRA

Fact (Arrow-Pratt coefficient of absolute risk aversion).  $\omega + X$  preferred to  $\omega$  iff  $\frac{2\mathbb{E}(X)}{\mathbb{E}(X^2)} \ge -\frac{U''(\omega)}{U'(\omega)}$ 

Fact (Arrow-Pratt coefficient of relative risk aversion).  $\omega(1+X)$  preferred to  $\omega$  iff  $\frac{2\mathbb{E}(X)}{\mathbb{E}(X^2)} \geq -\frac{\omega U''(\omega)}{U'(\omega)}$ 

- available claim  $\mathcal{A}$
- reservation bid price  $\pi_b(Y)$  -----  $\sup \pi$  st  $\mathbb{E}(U(X+Y-\pi)) > \mathbb{E}(U(X^*))$
- reservation ask price  $\pi_a(Y)$  ----- inf  $\pi$  st  $\mathbb{E}(U(X-Y+\pi)) > \mathbb{E}(U(X^*))$

**Proposition 1.2** (Ask above, bid below). A convex, then  $\pi_b(Y) \leq \pi_a(Y)$ 

**Setting 1.** A affine space, U differentiable, strictly concave

– marginal price 
$$\pi_m(Y)$$
 —  $\pi_m(Y) = \frac{\mathbb{E}(U'(X^*)Y)}{\mathbb{E}(U'(X^*))}$ 

- single-period asset price model
- numeraire
- riskless bond
- interest rate —— r > -1
- state-price density  $\rho$  ——  $S_0^i = \mathbb{E}(S_1^i \rho)$
- wealth  $\omega_0$
- portfolio  $\theta$

### Example. no bond

given 
$$\mathbb{E}(\theta \cdot S_1) = \theta \cdot \mu, var(\theta \cdot S_1) = \theta^T V \theta$$
minimize 
$$var(\theta \cdot S_1)$$
subject to 
$$\theta \cdot S_0 = \omega_0, \mathbb{E}(\theta \cdot S_1) = \omega_1$$

- mean-variance-efficient frontier ——  $\{\theta^*(\omega_1)\}$
- minimum variance portfolio $\theta_{\min^*}$  —— minimise var over  $\omega_1$

#### Example. with bond

minimise 
$$\theta^{T}V\theta$$
subject to 
$$\theta^{0} + \theta S_{0} = \omega_{0}, \theta^{0}(1+r) + \theta \mu = \omega_{1}$$

Then ,  $\theta^* = \lambda \theta_m^*$ 

– market portfolio 
$$\theta_m^*$$
 —  $A(\mu - (1+r)S_0), A = V^{-1}$ 

### Setting 2. S<sub>1</sub> Gaussian, U CARA

#### Example. no bond

maximise 
$$\mathbb{E}(U(\theta S_1))$$
 subject to  $\theta S_0 = \omega_0$ 

#### Example. with bond

maximise 
$$\mathbb{E}(U(\bar{\theta}\bar{S}_1))$$
 subject to  $\bar{\theta}\bar{S}_0 = \omega_0$ 

then, 
$$\theta^* = \gamma^{-1}\theta_m^*$$

- beta/sensitivity 
$$\beta^i$$
 —  $\beta^i = \frac{cov(S_1^i, \theta_m^* S_1)}{var(\theta_m^*, S_1)}$ 

$$-\mu^m - \theta_m^* \mu$$

$$- S_0^m - \theta_m^* S_0$$

**Proposition 1.3.**  $\mu^i - (1+r)S_0^i = \beta^i(\mu^m - (1+r)S_0^m)$ 

- capitalization-weights of the relevant market index

Setting 3.

$$S_1 = (1+R)S_0, S_1^m = (1+R^m)S_0^m, \tilde{\beta}^i = \frac{cov(R^i, R^m)}{var(R^m)}$$

Fact. 
$$\mathbb{E}(R^i) = r + \tilde{\beta}^i(\mathbb{E}(R^m) - r)$$

## 2 Martingales

- conditional probability
- conditional expectation given event
- conditional expectation given  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G})$

**Theorem 2.1.**  $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$  sub- $\sigma$ -algebra, X integrable, then  $\exists$  unique Y (up to a.s.) st

- (i) Y integrable
- (ii) Y G-measurable

(iii) 
$$\mathbb{E}(Y\mathbb{1}_A) = \mathbb{E}(X\mathbb{1}_A)$$
 for all  $A \in \mathcal{G}$ 

**Fact.** also true if replace integrable by non-negative

– 
$$\mathbb{E}(X|Z)$$
 ——  $\mathcal{G} = \sigma(Z)$  for r.v.  $Z$ 

$$- \mathbb{P}(A|\mathcal{G}) - X = \mathbb{1}_A$$

**Fact.**  $\mathcal{G} = \sigma(B_n)$  discrete, then  $\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G}) = \sum \mathbb{E}(X|B_n)\mathbb{1}_{B_n}$  a.s.

**Proposition 2.2.**  $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$ , X, W integrable, then

- (i)  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G})) = \mathbb{E}(X)$
- (ii)  $X \mathcal{G}$ -measurable, then  $\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G}) = X$  a.s.
- (iii) X independent of  $\mathcal{G}$ , then  $\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G}) = E(X)$  a.s.
- (iv)  $X \geq 0$  a.s., then  $\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G}) \geq 0$  a.s.
- (v)  $\mathbb{E}(\alpha X + \beta W | \mathcal{G}) = \alpha \mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{G}) + \beta \mathbb{E}(W | \mathcal{G})$  a.s.

**Proposition 2.3** (Tower property).  $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$  sub- $\sigma$ -algebra, X integrable, then  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G})|\mathcal{H}) = \mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{H})$  a.s.

**Proposition 2.4** (Taking out what is known).  $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$  sub- $\sigma$ -algebra, X integrable, Z  $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable, ZX integrable, then

$$\mathbb{E}(ZX|\mathcal{G}) = Z\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G}) \ a.s.$$

**Proposition 2.5** (Averaging over independent variables).  $X_1, X_2$  r.v. in  $(E_1, \mathcal{E}_1), (E_2, \mathcal{E}_2), \mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$ ,  $X_1$   $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable,  $X_2$  independent of  $\mathcal{G}$ , F non-negative, let  $f = \mathbb{E}(F(\cdot, X_2))$ , then  $\mathbb{E}(F(X_1, X_2)|\mathcal{G}) = f(X_1)$  a.s.

- filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$
- random process
- $(X_n)$  adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$
- martingale ----
  - (Adapted)  $X_n$   $F_n$ -measurable
  - (Intergrable)  $\mathbb{E}(|X_n|) < \infty$
  - (Martingale property)  $\mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}|\mathcal{F}_n) = X_n$  a.s.
- supermartingale ——  $\mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}|\mathcal{F}_n) \leq X_n$
- submartingale  $\mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}|\mathcal{F}_n) \geq X_n$

**Fact.** Any martingale also martingale in natural filtration (natural filtration smalllest)

- martingale (continuous-time) —— adapted, integrable,  $\mathbb{E}(X_t|\mathcal{F}_s) = X_s$  for all  $s \leq t$
- $(X_t)$  continuous  $t \mapsto X_t(\omega)$  continuous for all  $\omega$

**Example.**  $X_n$  i.i.d.,  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$ ,  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  natural filtration

- (additive martingale)  $X_1$  inegrable,  $E(X_1) = 0$ ,  $S_0 = 0$ ,  $S_n = \sum^n X_k$
- (multiplicative martingale)  $X_1$  non-negative,  $\mathbb{E}(X_1) = 1$ ,  $Z_0 = 1$ ,  $Z_n = \prod^n Z_k$

**Example.**  $(X_n)$  Markov chain, countable state space S, transition matrix P, natural filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$ , bounded/non-negative f on S, let

$$Pf(x) = \sum p_{xy} f(y)$$

then if f subharmonic

$$\mathbb{E}(f(X_{n+1})|\mathcal{F}_n) = Pf(X_n) \ge f(X_n)$$

then,  $(f(X_n))$  submartingale

- subharmonic  $f(x) \leq Pf(x)$  for all x
- random time  $T: \Omega \to \{0, 1, \dots\} \bigcup \{\infty\}$
- stopping time ——  $\{T \leq n\} \in \mathcal{F}_n$

**Theorem 2.6** (Optional stopping).  $(M_n)$  martingale, T bounded, stopping time, then  $\mathbb{E}(M_T) = \mathbb{E}(M_0)$ 

**Fact.** Doob's optional sampling theorem basic form

**Theorem 2.7.**  $(M_n)$  martingale, T almost surely finite, stopping time, suppose one of the following holds:

(i) 
$$|M_n| \leq C$$
 for all  $n \leq T$ ,  $C$  constant

(ii) 
$$\mathbb{E}(T) \leq \infty$$
,  $|M_n - M_{n-1}| \leq C$  for all  $n \leq T$ 

**Fact.** T stopping time  $\Rightarrow T \land n$  bounded stopping time

Counter Example. additive martingale, simple random walk,  $T = \min\{n : S_n = 1\}$ , then almost sure finite as recurrent, but  $\mathbb{E}(T) = \infty$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(S_T) = 1 \neq 0 = S_0$ 

Counter Example. multiplicative martingale,  $(X_k)$  i.i.d.  $\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 0) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = 2) = 1/2$ ,  $T = \min\{n : Z_n = 0\}$ , then  $\mathbb{E}(T) = 2$ , but  $\mathbb{E}(Z_T) = 0 \neq 1 = Z_0$ 

**Theorem 2.8.**  $(M_n)$  martingale, T stopping time, then  $(M_{T \wedge n})$  martingale

- previsible  $H_n \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ -measurable
- martingale transform of  $(M_n)$  by  $(H_n)$  -----  $Y_0 = 0$ ,  $Y_n = \sum_{1}^{n} H_k(M_k M_{k-1})$

**Theorem 2.9** (Martingale transform).  $(M_n)$  martingale,  $(H_n)$  bounded, previsible,  $(Y_n)$  martingale transform, then  $(Y_n)$  martingale

**Fact.** model stock price as  $(M_n)$ , then

- (i) optional stopping  $\Rightarrow$  expected return  $\mathbb{E}(M_T)$  the same no matter what stopping time
- (ii)  $(H_k)$  amount held between time k-1 and k, no bounded previsible strategy gives expected gain or loss

# 3 Pricing contingent claims

- asset price model  $(\bar{S}_n)_{0 \leq n \leq T}$  with numeraire
- numeraire  $(S_n^0)$   $S_n^0 > 0$
- discounted prices  $X_n^i X_n^i = S_n^i / S_n^0$
- $\bar{X}_n = (1, X_n)$
- interest rate  $r_n S_n^0 = (1 + r_n)S_{n-1}^0$
- risky assets  $(S_n)$
- portfolio  $\bar{\theta}_n$
- self-financing  $--- \bar{\theta}_n \bar{S}_n = \bar{\theta}_{n+1} \bar{S}_n$
- value process  $(V_n)$  ——  $V_0 = \bar{\theta}_1 \bar{X}_0, V_n = \bar{\theta}_n \bar{X}_n$
- total (discounted) value
- previsible —— if  $\bar{\theta}_n$   $\mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ -measurable

## Setting 4.

(i)  $(\mathcal{F}_n)$  filtration generated by  $(\bar{S}_n)$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_T$ 

(ii)  $(S_n)$  takes countable values

(iii)  $(S_n^0)$  deterministic process

**Proposition 3.1.**  $(\theta_n)$  preivisible process, then  $\exists$   $(\theta_n^0)$  st

(i)  $(\theta_n^0)$  previsible

(ii)  $(\bar{\theta}_n^0)$  self-financing with initial value  $V_0$ 

(iii)  $V_T = V_0 + \sum_{1}^{T} \theta_n (X_n - X_{n-1})$ 

– contingent claim of maturity T —— non-negative  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -measurable r.v.

– European option

– call with strike price  $K - (S_T - K)^+$ 

– put with strike price  $K - (S_T - K)^-$ 

- options

- exotic options —— depending on entire path  $(S_n)$ 

- barrier options ----

• knocked out

• knocked in

– up-and-out call ——  $C = \begin{cases} (S_T - K)^+ & \text{if } \max S_n < B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

- down-and-in put —  $C = \begin{cases} (S_T - K)^- & \text{if } \min S_n \leq B \\ 0 & \text{ptherwise} \end{cases}$ 

–  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  equivalent to  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}} \sim \mathbb{P}$  —  $\exists \rho$ , st

•  $\mathbb{P}(\rho > 0) = 1$ 

•  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}(A) = \mathbb{E}(\rho \mathbb{1}_A)$ 

– density  $\rho = d\tilde{\mathbb{P}}/d\mathbb{P}$  for  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  wrt  $\mathbb{P}$ 

Fact.  $\tilde{\mathbb{E}}(X) = \mathbb{E}(\rho X)$ 

**Fact.**  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}} \sim \mathbb{P}$  symmetric and transitive

Fact.  $d\mathbb{P}/d\tilde{\mathbb{P}} = 1/\rho \ a.s.$ 

- arbitrage for  $(\bar{S}_n)_{0 \le n \le T}$  -

(i)  $(\bar{\theta}_n)_{1 \leq n \leq T}$  previsible, self-financing

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- (ii)  $V_0 = 0$
- (iii)  $V_T \geq 0$  a.s.
- (iv)  $V_T > 0$  with positive probability
- $-(\bar{S}_n)$  arbitrage free

**Proposition 3.2.**  $(X_n)$  martingale  $\Rightarrow (X_n)$  arbitrage free

**Fact.** proof can be simpler when  $(\theta_n)$  bounded

**Setting 5.** single period model,  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \varnothing, \Omega$ 

**Proposition 3.3.** Y r.v., following equivalent:

- (i) arbitrage free (i.e. no  $\theta$  st  $\theta Y \geq 0$  a.s. with  $\theta Y > 0$  with positive prob)
- (ii)  $\exists$  equivalent probability measure  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  st Y integrable with  $\mathbb{E}(Y) = 0$ 
  - equivalent martingale measure  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  (risk neutral measure)  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}} \sim \mathbb{P}$ ,  $(X_n)$  martingale under  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$

**Theorem 3.4** ((1st) Fundamental theorem of asset pricing). following equivalent:

- (i)  $(\bar{S}_n)$  arbitrage free
- (ii)  $(\bar{S}_n)$  has equivalent martingale measure

**Setting 6.** C time-T contigent claim,  $D = C/S_T^0$  discounted value

– attainable/replicable —  $\exists$  previsible, self-financing  $\bar{\theta}_n$  st  $C = \bar{\theta}_n \bar{S}_T$ 

**Fact.** Alternative def:  $\exists V_0 \ \mathcal{F}_0$ -measurable,  $\theta_n$  previsible st  $D = V_0 + \sum^T \theta_n (X_n - X_{n-1})$ 

- fair price ——  $V_0$
- replicating portfolio/hedging portfolio  $\bar{\theta}_n$
- $(\bar{S}_n)$  complete —— all contingent claims attainable

**Proposition 3.5.**  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\varnothing, \Omega\}, \ \mathcal{F}_T = \sigma(\bar{S}_1)$ 

- (i) C non-negative, attainable, time-T contingent claim,  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  equivalent martingale measure, then fair price  $V_0 = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}(D)$ ,  $D = C/S_T^0$
- (ii)  $(\bar{S}_n)$  complete, numeraire non-random, then at most one equivalent martingale measure
  - binomial model (Cox-Ross-Rubinstein model) —— interest rate r, parameters a < b,  $R_i$  i.i.d. with parameter p
    - $S_n^0 = (1+r)^n$
    - $S_n = S_0 \prod (1 + R_k)$
    - $\bullet \begin{cases}
      \mathbb{P}(R_1 = a) = 1 p \\
      \mathbb{P}(R_1 = b) = p
      \end{cases}$

**Proposition 3.6.** binomial model has arbitrage unless  $r \in (a, b)$ 

**Proposition 3.7.**  $(\bar{S}_n)$  binamial model,  $r \in (a,b)$ , define

(i) 
$$p^* = \frac{r-a}{b-a}$$

(ii) equivalent prob measure 
$$\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} = \left(\frac{p^*}{p}\right)^{U_T} \left(\frac{1-p^*}{1-p}\right)^{D_T}$$
 where  $U_T = (T+S_T)/2, D_T = (T-S_T)/2, S_T$  number of  $b$ 

Then under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ ,

(i) 
$$R_1, \dots, R_T$$
 i.i.d., 
$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{P}^*(R_1 = a) = 1 - p^* \\ \mathbb{P}^*(R_1 = b) = p^* \end{cases}$$

(ii)  $(X_n)$  martingale under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ 

Fact.  $r = \mathbb{E}^*(R_1)$ 

**Fact.** Binomial model arbitrage free when  $r \in (a, b)$ 

Setting 7. if  $C = f(S_0, \ldots, S_T)$ , then

$$V(C) = \frac{\mathbb{E}^*(C)}{(1+r)^T} = (1+r)^{-T} \sum f(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_T) \mathbb{P}^*(S_1 = s_1, \dots, S_T = s_T)$$

Define recursive relation:

$$f_T(s_0, \dots, s_T) = f(s_0, \dots, s_T)$$
  

$$f_n(s_0, \dots, s_n) = (1 - p^*) f_{n+1}(s_0, \dots, s_n, (1+a)s_n) + p^* f_{n+1}(s_0, \dots, s_n, (1+b)s_n)$$

**Proposition 3.8.**  $\mathbb{E}^*(f(S_0, ..., S_T) | \mathcal{F}_n) = f_n(S_0, ..., S_n), \ \mathbb{E}^*(C) = f_0(S_0)$ 

Proposition 3.9. Define

$$\Delta_n(s_0,\ldots,s_{n-1}) = \frac{f_n(s_0,\ldots,s_{n-1},(1+b)s_{n-1}) - f_n(s_0,\ldots,s_{n-1},(1+a)s_{n-1})}{(1+r)^{T-n}(b-a)s_{n-1}}$$

then  $\theta_n = \Delta_n(S_0, \dots, S_{n-1})$  replicating portfolio for C

**Fact.** Binomial model complete when  $r \in (a, b)$ 

**Proposition 3.10.**  $(W_n)$  simple random walk with  $\mathbb{P}(W_1 = 1) = p$ , let  $M_T = \max W_n$ , then with  $k \leq T$ ,  $2k - T \leq m \leq k$ 

$$\mathbb{P}(M_T = m, W_T = 2k - T) = \left( \binom{T}{k - m} - \binom{T}{k - m - 1} \right) p^k (1 - p)^{T - k}$$

**Example.** if (1+a)(1+b) = 1, then  $S_n = S_0(1+b)^{W_n}$ , so can give fair price of  $C = F(S_T, \max S_n)$ 

## 4 Dynamic Programming

- state-space E
- action-space A

Setting 8. 
$$F: \{0, \ldots, T-1\} \times E \times A \times [0,1] \rightarrow E, (\epsilon_n) \text{ i.i.d. }, \mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_n)$$

– adapted control  $u = (u_n)_{k \le n \le T-1}$  — initial time  $k, u_n \mathcal{F}_n$ -measurable

Setting 9. initial state  $x \in E$ , adapted control u, define  $X_k = x, X_{n+1} = F(n, X_n, u_n, \epsilon_{n+1})$ Write  $X_n = X_n^u(k, x)$ 

- expected reward  $V^u(k,x) = \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\sum_{k=1}^{T-1} r(n,X_n^u(k,x),u_n)\right) + R(X_T^u(k,x))\right)$
- reward function r, R non-negative measurable function
- value function V ——  $V(k,x) = \sup_{u} V^{u}(k,x)$
- u optimal control from (k, x) ——  $V(k, x) = V^u(k, x)$

**Proposition 4.1** (Bellman equation). Let  $Pv(n, x, a) = \mathbb{E}(v(n+1, F(n, x, a, \epsilon_{n+1})))$ 

$$v(T,x) = R(x)$$
  
 $v(n,x) = \sup_{a \in A} \{r(n,x,a) + Pv(n,x,a)\}$   $n = 0,..., T-1$ 

 $Suppose \exists a \ st$ 

$$v(n,x) = r(n,x,a(n,x)) + Pv(n,x,a(n,x))$$
  $n = 0,...,T-1$ 

Then,

- (i) V = v
- (ii) optimal control  $u_n^* = a(n, X_n^{u*}(k, x))$

Fact. Possible variations:

- (i) r, R as costs
- (ii) mixture of costs and rewards
- (iii) time-dependent state-space  $E_n$
- (iv) time-and-state-dependent action-space  $A_{n,x}$ 
  - American call family of time-T contingent claim  $(1+r)^{T-\tau}(S_{\tau}-K)^+$
  - American put family of time-T contingent claim  $(1+r)^{T-\tau}(S_{\tau}-K)^{-\tau}$

**Setting 10.**  $(S_n)$  binomial model,  $r \in (a,b)$ 

**Fact.** complete  $\Rightarrow$  can hedge all C with  $\mathbb{E}^*(C) = 0$ 

**Example** (American call).  $\tau = T$  always optimal, American and European calls equivalent

**Fact.** fair price can be founded using Bellman equation

## 5 Brownian motion

- Brownian motion ——
  - $B_0 = 0$
  - $(B_{s+t} B_s) \sim N(0,t)$ , independent of  $\sigma(B_r : r \leq s)$
  - $t \mapsto B_t(\omega)$  continuous
- Brownian motion starting from  $x B_0 = x$
- Gaussian process  $\forall (t_1, \ldots, t_n), (X_{t_1}, \ldots, X_{t_n})$  multivariate normal

**Proposition 5.1.**  $(B_t)$  continuous process starting from 0, then following equivalent:

- (i)  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion
- (ii) (B<sub>t</sub>) zero mean Gaussian process,  $\mathbb{E}(B_sB_t) = s \wedge t$

**Proposition 5.2** (Scaling property).  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion, set  $\tilde{B}_t = c^{-1}B_{c^2t}$ , then  $(\tilde{B}_t)$  Brownian motion

**Proposition 5.3.**  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion,  $(B_t)$  exit every finite interval a.s.

- $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(B_s : s \in [0, t])$
- stopping time ——  $\{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$  for all t
- $-\mathcal{F}_T \longrightarrow A \in \mathcal{F}_\infty \text{ st } A \cap \{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$

**Proposition 5.4** (Strong Markov property).  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion, T a.s. finite stopping time. Define  $\tilde{B}_t = B_{T+t} - B_T$ , then

- (i)  $(\tilde{B}_t)$  Brownian motion
- (ii) independent of  $\mathcal{F}_T$

**Proposition 5.5.**  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion, define  $T_a = \inf\{t \geq 0 : B_t = a\}$ , then

- (i)  $T_a$  stopping time
- (ii)  $T_a$  almost surely finite

**Theorem 5.6.**  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  not discrete, m prob measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ , mean 0, variance 1, then  $\exists (B_t), (W_t^{(k)})$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  st

- (i)  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion
- (ii)  $(W_{\frac{n}{k}}^{(k)})$  random walk with distribution m,  $(W_{t}^{(k)})$  linear interpolation of values  $\{\frac{n}{k}\}$
- (iii)  $\frac{W_t^{(k)}}{\sqrt{k}} \to B_t$  uniformly on compacts in t a.s.

Fact. combination of Wiener's Theorem and Donsker's Invariance Principle

- Wiener measure

**Proposition 5.7.** let  $T \geq 0$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $B = (B_t)_{\{0 \leq t \leq T\}}$  brownian motion,  $\tilde{B}_t = B_t + ct$ , then  $\forall$  measurable set  $A \subset C[0,T]$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(\tilde{B} \in A) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\{B \in A\}}e^{cB_T - \frac{c^2T}{2}})$ 

Fact. special case of Cameron-Martin theorem

**Proposition 5.8** (Reflection principle).  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion,  $a \ge 0$ , set  $T_a = \inf\{t \ge 0 : B_t = a\}$ , define  $\tilde{B}_t = \begin{cases} B_t & \text{if } t \le T_a \\ 2a - B_t & \text{if } t > T_a \end{cases}$ , then  $(\tilde{B}_t)$  Brownian motion

- maximum process ——  $M_t = \sup_{\{0 \le s \le t\}} B_s$ 

**Fact.**  $M_t$  same distribution as  $|B_t|$ 

**Proposition 5.9.**  $T_a$  has density  $h_a(t) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi t^3}}e^{-\frac{a^2}{2t}}$ 

- $p_t(x,y)$  density of  $B_t$  starting at x
- $p_t^a(x,y) = p_t(x,y) p_t(x,2a-y)$

**Proposition 5.10.**  $x \le a$ ,  $(B_t)$  Brownian motion with density starting from x, then  $\forall$  non-negative measurable f,  $\mathbb{E}_x(f(B_t)\mathbb{1}_{\{T_a>t\}}) = \int_{\infty}^a f(y)p_t^a(x,y)dy$ 

## 6 Black-Scholes model

- Black-Scholes model —<br/>— $S_t^0 = e^{rt}, S_t = S_0 e^{\sigma B_t + \mu t}$
- price of riskless bond  $S_t^0$
- interest rate r
- price of risky asset  $S_t$
- drift  $\mu$
- volatility  $\sigma$

Fact.  $(e^{\sigma B_t - \sigma^2 t/2})$  martingale

**Fact.** with  $\mu^* = r - \sigma/2$ , discounted asset price  $(e^{rt}S_t)$  martingale

**Proposition 6.1.**  $(S_t^0, S_t)$  Black-Scholes, fix T, consider  $\frac{d\mathbb{P}_*}{d\mathbb{P}} = e^{\lambda B_T - \lambda^2 T/2}$  where  $\sigma \lambda = \mu^* - \mu$ , then under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ , discounted seet price  $(e^{-rt}S_t)$  martingale

**Fact.** abuse notation in writing  $\mathbb{P}^*$  instead of  $\mathbb{P}$ 

- time-T contingent claim C ——  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -measurable r.v.
- Black-Scholes price  $V_0 V_0 = e^{rT} \mathbb{E}^*(C)$

Fact. fair price unique

Example.

(i) 
$$C = S_T$$

(ii) 
$$C = K$$

- simple replicable claim —— constant  $C_0$ ,  $0 = t_0 \le \cdots \le t_n = T$ ,  $\theta_k$  bounded  $\mathcal{F}_{t_{k-1}}$ -measurable

$$e^{rT}C = C_0 + \sum_{1}^{n} \theta_k (X_{t_k} - X_{t_{k-1}})$$

(Replicating strategy) at time  $t_{k-1}$ , buy  $\theta_k$ , then sell  $\theta_k$  at time  $t_k$ , then buy  $\theta_k$  bond

**Fact.** any simple replicable claim can be replicated for cost  $C_0$  at time 0,  $V_0 = C_0$ 

Fact (Brownian martingale representation theorem). every integrable  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -measurable contingent claim is limit in probability of simple replicable claims

Setting 11.  $S_0 = s$ 

Fact.  $\log S_t = \log s + \sigma B_t + \mu t$ 

$$-p(t,x,z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}}e^{\frac{|x-z|^2}{2t}}$$

$$-p(\sigma^2 t, x(t), \cdot)$$
 —— density of  $\log S_t, x(t) = \log s + \mu t$ 

– 
$$\rho(t, s, \cdot)$$
 —— density of  $S_t$ 

–  $\dot{\rho}$  —— derivative in first argument

 $-\rho'$  —— derivative in second argument

Fact.  $y\rho(t, s, y) = p(\sigma^2 t, x(t), z), z = \log y$ 

Fact. 
$$\dot{\rho} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 s^2 \rho'' + rs\rho'$$

**Proposition 6.2.** F on  $(0, \infty)$  continuous, polynomial growth,  $t \in [0, T], s \in (0, \infty)$  V(t, s) time-t value of time-T contingent claim  $F(S_T)$ , conditional on  $S_t = s$   $V(t, s) = e^{r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}^*(F(S_T)|S_t = s) = e^{r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}(F(se^{\sigma B_{T-t} + \mu^*(T-t)}))$ , then

(i) V continous on  $(0,T) \times (0,\infty)$ 

(ii) 
$$V \in C^{1,2}$$
 on  $(0,T) \times (0,\infty)$ 

(iii) (Black Scholes PDE) 
$$\mathcal{L}V = \dot{V} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 s^2 V'' + rsV' - rV$$
 with  $V(\cdot, T) = F$ 

**Setting 12** (Binomial approximation to BS). Consider convergence of random walk to Brownian motion, special case  $(W_{n/k}^{(k)})$  simple symmetric random walk on  $\{-1,1\}$ 

$$-1 + a_k = \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{\mu}{k}\right)$$

$$-1 + b_k = \exp\left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{\mu}{k}\right)$$

$$-1 + r_k = \exp\left(\frac{r}{k}\right)$$

$$-S_t^{(k)} = S_0 \exp\left(\frac{\sigma W_t^{(k)}}{\sqrt{k}} + \mu t\right)$$

$$-S_t = S_0 \exp\left(\sigma B_t + \mu t\right)$$

$$- S_t^{(k)0} = S_t^0 = \exp(rt)$$

Fact.

(i)  $(S_t^0, S_t)$  Black-Scholes of drift  $\mu$ , volatility  $\sigma$ , interest rate r

(ii) 
$$(S_{n/k}^{(k)0}, S_{n/k}^{(k)})$$
 binomial model of parameters  $a_k < r_k < b_k$ ,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ 

(iii)  $S_t^{(k)} \to S_t$  uniformly on compacts in t a.s.

–  $\mathbb{P}^{(k)*}$  — martingale measures for binomial model

–  $\mathbb{P}^*$  — martingale measures for Black-Scholes model

**Fact.**  $\mathbb{E}^{(k)*}(G(S^{(k)})) \to \mathbb{E}^*(G(S))$ , so can approximate fair price using Binomial model

Setting 13.  $\mu = \mu^* = r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$  for convenience

- expression 
$$C = F(B) \longrightarrow F$$
 on  $C[0,T]$ 

- terminal-value option  $C = f(B_T)$ 

**Fact.** for 
$$C = f(B_T)$$
,  $V_0 = e^{-rT} \int f(\sqrt{T}y) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy$ 

**Fact.** May not be efficient way:

- (i) multiple assets —— exponentially growth computational cost
- (ii) want to compute pricing surface

- pricing surface — 
$$V(t,s) = e^{-r(T-t)}\mathbb{E}^*(C|S_t=s)$$

**Setting 14.** terminal-value option  $C = g(S_T)$ , g continuous, no more than linear growth

$$- f(x) = g(e^{\sigma x})$$

$$- u(t,x) = \mathbb{E}_x(f(B_t))$$

Fact. 
$$V(t,s) = e^{-r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}(g(se^{\sigma B_{T-t} + \mu(T-t)})) = e^{-r(T-t)} u\left(T - t, \frac{\log s + \mu(T-t)}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$- p_t(x,y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} e^{\frac{-(y-x)^2}{2t}}$$

**Fact.**  $u(t,x) = \int p_t(x,y)f(y)dy$ 

Fact. 
$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

**Setting 15.** assume can accurately approximate  $u(t, \pm L)$  for all t

– grid 
$$\{(ik, jh)\} \subset [0, T] \times [-L, L]$$
 —  $k = \frac{T}{N}, h = \frac{L}{M}$ 

– grid points 
$$U_j^i$$
 —— idea  $U_j^i \approx u(ik, jh)$ 

– FTCS (forward-in-time, central-in-space) — 
$$\frac{U_j^{i+1} - U_j^i}{k} = \frac{U_{j-1}^i - 2U_j^i + U_{j+1}^i}{2h^2}$$

- explicit
- first-order in time

– BTCS (backward-in-time, central-in-space) — 
$$\frac{U_{j}^{i+1}-U_{j}^{i}}{k} = \frac{U_{j-1}^{i+1}-2U_{j}^{i+1}+U_{j+1}^{i+1}}{2h^{2}}$$

- require to solve  $2M \times 2M$  matrix inversion
- better stability
- first-order in time

$$- \text{ Crack-Nicolson} - - \frac{U_j^{i+1} - U_j^i}{k} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{U_{j-1}^i - 2U_j^i + U_{j+1}^i}{2h^2} + \frac{U_{j-1}^{i+1} - 2U_j^{i+1} + U_{j+1}^{i+1}}{2h^2} \right)$$

- require to solve  $2M \times 2M$  matrix inversion
- better stability
- second-order in time
- Monte Carlo ----
  - time-step  $k = \frac{T}{N}$
  - (i) (B<sub>t</sub><sup>(N)</sup>: t = ik) linear interpolation of random walk with step distribution N(0, k)
     (ii) (X<sub>t</sub>: t = ik) simple symmetric random walk with step-size h = √k
  - $\bullet \;$  generate sample  $(B^{(N),i})$

• (Idea) 
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum F(B^{(N),i}) \approx \mathbb{E}(F(B^{(N)})) \to \mathbb{E}(F(B))$$

– fair price for European call  $EC(x, K, \sigma, r, T) = \mathbb{E}^*(e^{-rT}(S_T - K)^+)$ 

$$-\phi(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}}$$

$$-\Phi(a) = \int_{\infty}^{a} \phi(y) dy$$

$$- \bar{\Phi}(a) = 1 - \Phi(a)$$

$$- d^{\pm} = \frac{\log(\frac{x}{K}) + rT}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \pm \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}$$

**Proposition 6.3** (Black-Scholes formula).  $EC(x, K, \sigma, r, T) = x\Phi(d^+) - e^{-rT}K\Phi(d^-)$ 

- put-call parity ---- 
$$(S_T - K)^+ - (S_T - K)^- = S_T - K$$

– fair price for forward contract — 
$$\mathbb{E}^*(e^{-rT}(S_T - K)) = x - e^{-rT}K$$

- fair price for European put 
$$EP(x, K, \sigma, r, T) = e^{-rT}K\bar{\Phi}(d^-) - x\bar{\Phi}(d^+)$$

Setting 16. 
$$v(x) = v(x, C, \sigma, r, T) = \mathbb{E}^*(e^{-rT}C)$$

## - Sensitivities

– Delta 
$$\Delta = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

– Gamma 
$$\Gamma = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2}$$

– Vega 
$$V = \frac{\partial v}{\partial \sigma}$$

– Rho 
$$\rho = \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}$$

**Example.** C European call,  $\Delta = \Phi(d^+), \mathcal{V} = x\phi(d^+)\sqrt{T}$ 

## Proposition 6.4.

(i) 
$$\sigma \mapsto EC(x, K, \sigma, r, T)$$
 increasing bijection

(ii) 
$$\lim_{\sigma\to 0} EC(x,K,\sigma,r,T) = (x-e^{-rT})^+$$

(iii) 
$$\lim_{\sigma\to\infty} EC(x,K,\sigma,r,T) = x$$

– implied volatility 
$$\sigma_{implied}(K,T)$$
 ——  $EC(S_0,K,\sigma_{implied}(K,T),r,T) = EC_{market}(K,T)$ 

**Example.** up-and-out call 
$$C = h(S_T) \mathbb{1}_{\{\sup_{0 \le t \le T} S_t < A\}}, \ h(s) = (s - K)^+, \ A \ge \max\{S_0, K\}$$