

# Assignment 3 - MH4514 Financial Mathematics

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## Question 1.

**Solution.** Using the properties of covariance and Ito multiplication table, we can calculate the fraction as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{Cov\left(\frac{dS_t}{S_t}, \frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right)}{Var\left[\frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right]} &= \frac{Cov\left(rdt + \beta\left(\frac{dM_t}{M_t} - rdt\right) + \sigma_S dW_t, \frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right)}{Var\left[\frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right]} \\ &= \frac{Cov\left(\beta\frac{dM_t}{M_t}, \frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right)}{Var\left[\frac{dM_t}{M_t}\right]} = \beta\end{aligned}$$

## Question 2.

**Solution.** By (1) and (2), observe that the evolution of  $(S_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS_t}{S_t} &= rdt + \beta\left(\frac{dM_t}{M_t} - rdt\right) + \sigma_S dW_t \\ &= (r + \beta(\mu - r))dt + \beta\sigma_M dB_t + \sigma_S dW_t\end{aligned}$$

Now, consider its volatility, by squaring both side we have

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{dS_t}{S_t}\right)^2 &= ((r + \beta(\mu - r))dt + \beta\sigma_M dB_t + \sigma_S dW_t)^2 \\ &= (\beta^2\sigma_M^2 + \sigma_S^2) dt\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we can think of  $(S_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  as a geometric Brownian motion with volatility  $\sqrt{\beta^2\sigma_M^2 + \sigma_S^2}$ . Finally with the excess return  $\alpha$ , we can express its evolution as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS_t}{S_t} &= (r + \alpha + \beta(\mu - r))dt + \sqrt{\beta^2\sigma_M^2 + \sigma_S^2} dW_t \\ dS_t &= (r + \alpha + \beta(\mu - r))S_t dt + \sqrt{\beta^2\sigma_M^2 + \sigma_S^2} S_t dW_t\end{aligned}$$

**Question 3.**

**Solution.** Consider the equations (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dM_t}{M_t} &= \mu dt + \sigma_M dB_t \\
&= rdt + \sigma_M \left( dB_t + \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} dt \right) \\
&= rdt + \sigma_M dB_t^* \quad \left( \text{where } dB_t^* = \left( dB_t + \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} dt \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Next, we can rewrite (2) as

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dS_t}{S_t} &= rdt + \beta(M_t) \left( \frac{dM_t}{M_t} - rdt \right) + \sigma_S dW_t \\
&= rdt + \beta(M_t)(rdt + \sigma_M dB_t^* - rdt) + \sigma_S dW_t \\
&= rdt + \sigma_M \beta(M_t) dB_t^* + \sigma_S dW_t^* \quad (\text{where } dW_t^* = dW_t)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, by setting  $B_t^* = \left( B_t + \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} t \right)$  and  $W_t^* = W_t$  we have

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dM_t}{M_t} = rdt + \sigma_M dB_t^* \\ \frac{dS_t}{S_t} = rdt + \sigma_M \beta(M_t) dB_t^* + \sigma_S dW_t^* \end{cases}$$

**Question 4.**

**Solution.** Consider the new probability measure  $\mathbb{P}^*$  defined on  $\mathcal{F}_T$  by

$$\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} B_T - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} \right)^2 T \right\}$$

Setting

$$B_t^* = B_t + \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma_M} t, \quad W_t^* = W_t$$

then under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ , the processes  $(B_t^*)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  and  $(W_t^*)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  are two independent standard Brownian motions.

**Question 5.**

**Solution.** From Question 4, we know under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ , the processes  $(B_t^*)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  and  $(W_t^*)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  are two independent standard Brownian motions. Using this, the discounted asset price processes  $(\tilde{S}_t, \tilde{M}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  can be shown as martingales.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}^* \left[ \tilde{M}_t | \mathcal{F}_k \right] &= e^{-rt} \mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_0^t r M_u du + \sigma_M \int_0^t M_u dB_u^* \middle| \mathcal{F}_k \right] \\ &= e^{-rt} \mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_0^t r M_u du \middle| \mathcal{F}_k \right] = e^{-rt} e^{(t-k)r} M_k \\ &= \tilde{M}_k\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}^* \left[ \tilde{S}_t | \mathcal{F}_k \right] &= e^{-rt} \mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_0^t r S_u du + \sigma_M \int_0^t \beta(M_u) S_u dB_u^* + \sigma_S \int_0^t S_u dW_u^* \middle| \mathcal{F}_k \right] \\ &= e^{-rt} \mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_0^t r S_u du \middle| \mathcal{F}_k \right] = e^{-rt} e^{(t-k)r} S_k \\ &= \tilde{S}_k\end{aligned}$$

From Proposition 6.6, the probability measure  $\mathbb{P}^*$  is risk-neutral since the discounted risky asset price processes  $(\tilde{S}_t, \tilde{M}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$  are multingales under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ .

Hence, by Theorem 6.8, the market based on the assets  $S_t$  and  $M_t$  is without arbitrage opportunities since it admits at least one equivalent risk-neutral probability measure  $\mathbb{P}^*$ .

**Question 6.**

**Solution.** By Ito's calculus we have

$$\begin{aligned}dV_t &= \xi_t dS_t + S_t d\xi_t + d\xi_t dS_t \\ &\quad + \zeta_t dM_t + M_t d\zeta_t + d\zeta_t dM_t \\ &\quad + \eta_t dA_t + A_t d\eta_t + d\eta_t dA_t\end{aligned}$$

Here, since we know  $S_t d\xi_t + M_t d\zeta_t + A_t d\eta_t = 0$  being true under the self-financing condition, and  $d\xi_t dS_t = d\zeta_t dM_t = d\eta_t dA_t = 0$ , we can rewrite  $dV_t$  as

$$dV_t = \xi_t dS_t + \zeta_t dM_t + \eta_t dA_t$$

**Question 7.**

**Solution.** From Question 2 and the same derivation of Question 3 we have

$$\begin{cases} dM_t &= rM_t dt + \sigma_M M_t dB_t^* \\ dS_t &= rS_t dt + \sigma_M \beta(M_t) S_t dB_t^* + \sigma_S S_t dW_t^* \end{cases}$$

Using the above system and Ito's formula<sup>1</sup>, we have<sup>2</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} df(t, S_t, M_t) &= \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sigma_M^2 \beta^2(M_t) + \sigma_S^2 \right) S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_M^2 M_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} + \beta(M_t) \sigma_M^2 M_t S_t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right\} dt \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dS_t + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} dM_t \end{aligned}$$

Further expand  $dS_t$  and  $dM_t$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} df(t, S_t, M_t) &= \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sigma_M^2 \beta^2(M_t) + \sigma_S^2 \right) S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_M^2 M_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \beta(M_t) \sigma_M^2 M_t S_t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r \left( S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + M_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \right\} dt \\ &\quad + \left( \sigma_M \beta(M_t) S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \sigma_M M_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dB_t^* + \sigma_S S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW_t^* \end{aligned} \quad (7.1)$$

Using the self-financing condition of Question 6, we also can express  $df(t, S_t, M_t)$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} df(t, S_t, M_t) &= dV_t = \xi_t dS_t + \zeta_t dM_t + \eta_t dA_t \\ &= \xi_t (rS_t dt + \sigma_M \beta(M_t) S_t dB_t^* + \sigma_S S_t dW_t^*) + \zeta_t (rM_t dt + \sigma_M M_t dB_t^*) + r\eta_t A_t dt \\ &= rf(t, S_t, M_t) dt + (\sigma_M \beta(M_t) \xi_t S_t + \zeta_t \sigma_M M_t) dB_t^* + \sigma_S \xi_t S_t dW_t^* \end{aligned} \quad (7.2)$$

By identification of the term in  $dt$  in (7.1) and (7.2) we get the PDE with the terminal condition:

$$\begin{cases} rf(t, x, y) &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sigma_M^2 \beta^2(M_t) + \sigma_S^2 \right) x^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_M^2 y^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \\ &\quad + \beta(M_t) \sigma_M^2 xy \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r \left( x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \\ f(T, x, y) &= h(x, y) \end{cases}$$

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<sup>1</sup>In the text book, P191, (5.5.7)

<sup>2</sup>Here we omit the argument bracket of function  $f(t, S_t, M_t)$  for the sake of simplicity

**Question 8.**

**Solution.** Similar to the way we derived the PDE, by identifying the coefficient on  $dB_t^*$  and  $dB_t^*$  in (7.1)-(7.2) we have system of equation

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_M \beta(M_t) S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \sigma_M M_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \sigma_M \beta(M_t) \xi_t S_t + \zeta_t \sigma_M M_t \\ \sigma_S S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \sigma_S \xi_t S_t \end{cases}$$

which gives a solution

$$\xi_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x, y), \quad \zeta_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, x, y).$$

For  $\eta_t$ , from previous result and the definition of the portfolio price  $V_t$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_t A_t &= V_t - \xi_t S_t - \zeta_t M_t \\ &= f(t, x, y) - S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x, y) - M_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \\ \eta_t &= \frac{1}{A_0 e^{rt}} \left\{ f(t, x, y) - S_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x, y) - M_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 9.**

**Solution.** From Question 7, with constant  $\beta$  and terminal condition of a call option payoff, we have PDE of

$$\begin{cases} r f(t, x, y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sigma_M^2 \beta^2 + \sigma_S^2 \right) x^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_M^2 y^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} \\ \quad + \beta \sigma_M^2 x y \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} + r \left( x \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) \\ f(T, x, y) = (x - K)^+ \end{cases}$$

Noticing by the terminal condition, we think of  $f(t, x, y)$  as a function of  $t, x$ , which has a solution of

$$f(t, x; K) = \begin{cases} x \Phi(d_+(T - t, x; K)) - e^{-r(T-t)} K \Phi(d_-(T - t, x; K)) & 0 \leq t < T \\ (x - K)^+ & t = T \end{cases}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\pm}(s, x; K) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{s(\sigma_M^2 \beta^2 + \sigma_S^2)}} \left[ \log \left( \frac{x}{K} \right) + s \left( r \pm \frac{\sigma_M^2 \beta^2 + \sigma_S^2}{2} \right) \right] \\ \Phi(z) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^z e^{-u^2/2} du \end{aligned}$$

The hedging portfolio is

$$\xi_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x; K) = \Phi(d_+(T - t, x; K)), \quad \zeta_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, x; K) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_t &= \frac{1}{A_0 e^{rt}} (f(t, x; K) - S_t \xi_t - M_t \zeta_t) \\ &= -\frac{K}{A_0 e^{rT}} \Phi(d_-(T - t, x; K)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the replicating portfolio consists of holding a quantity  $\xi_t = \Phi(d_+(T - t, x; K)) \geq 0$  of risky asset  $S_t$ , and borrowing a quantity  $-\eta_t = \frac{K}{A_0 e^{rT}} \Phi(d_-(T - t, x; K)) \geq 0$  of the riskless asset  $A_t$ .

### Question 10.

**Solution.** The payoff function of put option can be expressed as

$$h(S_T) = (K - S_T)^+ = -(S_T - K) + (S_T - K)^+$$

Hence, with the result of Question 9, we can compute the pricing function at time  $t (\leq T)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, x; K) &= -(x - e^{-r(T-t)}K) + x\Phi(d_+(T - t, x; K)) - e^{-r(T-t)}K\Phi(d_-(T - t, x; K)) \\ &= e^{-r(T-t)}K(1 - \Phi(d_-(T - t, x; K))) - x(1 - \Phi(d_+(T - t, x; K))) \\ &= e^{-r(T-t)}K\Phi(-d_-(T - t, x; K)) - x\Phi(-d_+(T - t, x; K)) \end{aligned}$$

(Here we used the relation  $1 - \Phi(a) = \Phi(-a)$ )

The hedging portfolio is

$$\xi_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x; K) = -\Phi(-d_+(T - t, x; K)), \quad \zeta_t = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(t, x; K) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_t &= \frac{1}{A_0 e^{rt}} (f(t, x; K) - S_t \xi_t - M_t \zeta_t) \\ &= \frac{K}{A_0 e^{rT}} \Phi(-d_-(T - t, x; K)) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the replicating portfolio consists of short selling a quantity  $-\xi_t = \Phi(-d_+(T - t, x; K)) \geq 0$  of risky asset  $S_t$ , and investing (saving) a quantity  $\eta_t = \frac{K}{A_0 e^{rT}} \Phi(-d_-(T - t, x; K)) \geq 0$  of the riskless asset  $A_t$ .