

LogNormal Stock Prices: Tail Probabilities [cont'd].

Problem. Assume the Black-Scholes model.

Let the current stock price be \$100.

You are given:

(i) $\mathbb{P}^*[S(\frac{1}{4}) < 95] = 0.2358$

(ii) $\mathbb{P}^*[S(\frac{1}{2}) < 110] = 0.6026$.

What is the expected time 1 stock price under \mathbb{P}^* ?

→ :

$$\mathbb{E}^*[S(T)] = S(0) e^{rT}$$

In this problem: $\mathbb{E}^*[S(1)] = S(0) e^r$

In the Black-Scholes model: μ

$$S(T) = S(0) e^{(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}^*[S(1)] &= \\ &= 100 e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

(i) 95 is the 23.58th quantile of $S(\frac{1}{4})$

The 23.58th quantile of $N(0,1)$: std normal tables: -0.72

$$95 = 100 e^{\mu(\frac{1}{4}) + \sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot (-0.72)} / : 100$$

$$0.95 = e^{\mu/4 + \sigma(-0.36)}$$

$$\ln(0.95) = 0.25 \cdot \mu - 0.36 \sigma \quad (i)$$

(ii) 110 is the 60.26th quantile $S(\frac{1}{2})$

The 60.26th quantile of $N(0,1)$: std normal tables: 0.26

$$110 = 100 e^{\mu(\frac{1}{2}) + \sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (0.26)} / : 100$$

$$1.1 = e^{\mu/2 + \sigma \sqrt{1/2} (0.26)}$$

$$\ln(1.1) = 0.5 \mu + \sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} (0.26) \quad (ii)$$

We solve the system of two equations w/ two unknowns

$$\mu = \underline{\quad ? \quad} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = \underline{\quad ? \quad}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{i}) \Rightarrow 0.5\mu - 0.72\sigma &= 2\ln(0.95) \\ (\text{ii}) \quad -0.5\mu + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}(0.26)\cdot\sigma &= \ln(1.1) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} -$$

$$+ (0.72 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}(0.26))\sigma = -2\ln(0.95) + \ln(1.1)$$

$$\sigma = \underline{0.21895} \quad \checkmark$$

$$4(\text{i}) \Rightarrow \mu = 1.44(0.21895) + 4\ln(0.95) = \underline{0.11011} \quad \checkmark$$

Finally,

$$100e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} = 100e^{0.11011 + \frac{(0.21895)^2}{2}} = \underline{114.3488}$$

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Black-Scholes: Partial Expectations.

The Model.

Under the risk-neutral measure \mathbb{P}^* :

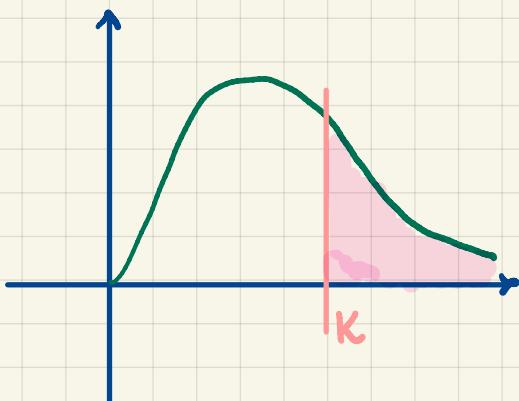
$$S(T) = S(0)e^{(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})\cdot T + \sigma\sqrt{T}\cdot Z} \quad \text{w/ } Z \sim N(0,1)$$

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Tail Probabilities.

$$\mathbb{P}^*[S(T) > K] = N(d_2)$$

$$\text{w/ } d_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(0)}{K}\right) + (r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T \right]$$



Motivation.

Get a formula for the price of European calls and puts on a stock modeled in the Black-Scholes framework.

Idea.

RISK-NEUTRAL PRICING

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

Payoff of a European option

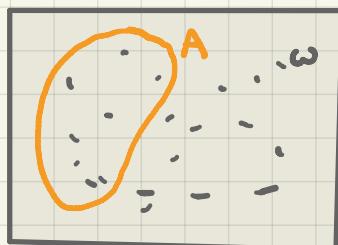
Implementation.

Temporarily, focus on a time T , strike K European call option.

The Payoff: $V_c(T) = (S(T) - K)_+$

Under \mathbb{P}^* :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}^* [V_c(T)] &= \mathbb{E}^* [(S(T) - K)_+] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^* [(S(T) - K) \mathbb{I}_{[S(T) \geq K]}] \end{aligned}$$



A is an event

$$\mathbb{I}_A(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \omega \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } \omega \notin A \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{I}_A = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A \text{ happened} \\ 0 & \text{if } A \text{ did not happen} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{I}_A] = 1 \cdot \mathbb{P}[A] + 0 \cdot \mathbb{P}[A^c] = \mathbb{P}[A]$$

$$\mathbb{E}^* [V_c(T)] = \mathbb{E}^* [S(T) \cdot \mathbb{I}_{[S(T) \geq K]}] - K \cdot \mathbb{P}^* [S(T) \geq K]$$

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N(d₂)

The partial expectation
from the title

$$\mathbb{E}^* [S(T) \cdot \mathbb{I}_{[S(T) \geq k]}] = ?$$

$$\mathbb{E}^* [S(T) \cdot \mathbb{I}_{[S(T) < k]}] = ?$$

Method. Use the defining formula for the expectation of a function of a r.v.

In this case, the r.v. is $Z \sim N(0,1)$