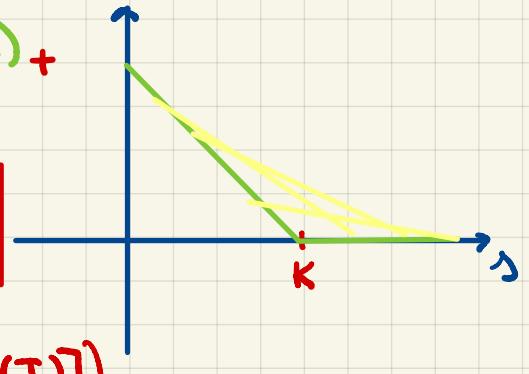


ii. Look @ a European put w/ strike K .

Its payoff f'tion: $v_p(s) = (K-s)_+$

The expected payoff

$$\mathbb{E}[v_p(S(T))] = \mathbb{E}[(K-S(T))_+]$$



By Jensen, its lower bound is $\mathbb{E}[(K-\mathbb{E}[S(T)])_+]_{\text{VI}}$

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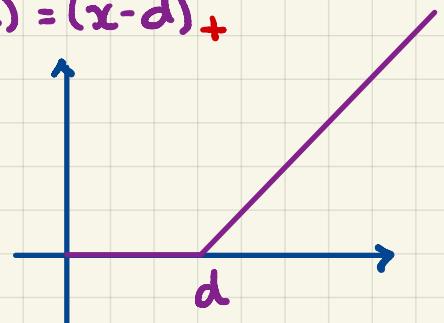
iii. In classical insurance:

$\begin{cases} X \dots \text{(ground-up) loss, i.e., severity r.v.} \\ d \dots \text{deductible} \end{cases}$

The insurer pays $(X-d)_+$, i.e., $g(x) = (x-d)_+$

By Jensen's inequality

$$\mathbb{E}[(X-d)_+] \geq (\mathbb{E}[X]-d)_+$$



The median = ?

Find $\bar{t}_{0.5}$ such that $\mathbb{P}[Y \leq \bar{t}_{0.5}] = 0.5$

$Y = e^X$ w/ $X \sim \text{Normal}(\text{mean} = m, \text{var} = \sigma^2)$

$$\mathbb{P}[e^X \leq \bar{t}_{0.5}] = 0.5$$

$$\mathbb{P}[X \leq \ln(\bar{t}_{0.5})] = 0.5$$

m \leftarrow m is the median of X

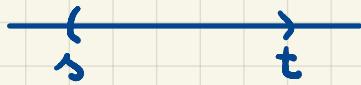
$$\bar{t}_{0.5} = e^m$$

Last class, we did this for ALL the quantiles.

Log-Normal Stock Prices.

Temporarily fix a time-horizon T .

$S(t)$, $t \in [0, T]$... time- t stock price



Define:

$$R(s, t) := \ln\left(\frac{S(t)}{S(s)}\right)$$

Analogously:

$$S(t) = S(s)e^{R(s, t)}$$

In particular:

$R(0, T)$... realized return over $(0, T)$

We model realized returns as normal

$$R(0, T) \sim \text{Normal}(\text{mean} = \mu, \text{var} = \sigma^2)$$



$\Rightarrow S(T)$ is lognormal

and

$$\mathbb{E}^*[S(T)] = S(0)e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}}$$



Market Model.

• Riskless Asset w/ ccfür r

• Risky Asset: a non-dividend paying stock w/
 σ ... volatility

Under the risk-neutral probability measure \mathbb{P}^* , we have

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



Equating \star & $\star\star$, we get

$$m + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} = rT$$



Recall: $\text{Var}[R(0,1)] = \sigma^2$, i.e., $\text{SD}[R(0,1)] = \sigma$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}[R(0,T)] = \boxed{\sigma^2 \cdot T = \nu^2}$$



$$\Rightarrow m = rT - \frac{\nu^2}{2} = rT - \frac{\sigma^2 \cdot T}{2} = \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot T$$

$$\boxed{\left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot T}$$

Finally,

$$R(0,T) \sim \text{Normal} \left(\text{mean} = \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot T, \text{var} = \sigma^2 \cdot T \right)$$

Say, $Z \sim N(0,1)$

Then, we can express $R(0,T)$ as

$$R(0,T) = \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z$$

Thus,

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

Q: What is the median of $S(T)$ under the risk-neutral probability measure P^* ?

→:

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

Note:

$$\frac{\text{mean}}{\text{median}} = \frac{S(0) e^{rT}}{S(0) e^{(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T}} = e^{\frac{\sigma^2 \cdot T}{2}}$$

