

Problem 10.4. Assume the Black-Scholes setting. Let $S(0) = \$63.75$, $\sigma = 0.20$, $r = 0.055$. The stock pays no dividend and the option expires in 50 days (simplify the number of days in a year to 360).

What is the price of a \$60-strike European put?

- (a) 0.66
- (b) 0.55
- (c) 0.44
- (d) 0.37
- (e) None of the above.

$$\rightarrow: d_1 = \frac{1}{0.2 \sqrt{\frac{50}{360}}} \left[\ln \left(\frac{63.75}{60} \right) + \left(0.055 + \frac{(0.2)^2}{2} \right) \left(\frac{50}{360} \right) \right]$$

$$d_1 = 0.9531189 \approx 0.95 \quad N(-0.95) = 0.1711$$

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma \sqrt{T} = 0.8785833 \approx 0.88 \quad N(-0.88) = 0.1894$$

$$V_p(0) = K e^{-rT} N(-d_2) - S(0) N(-d_1)$$

$$V_p(0) = 60 e^{-0.055 \left(\frac{50}{360} \right)} \cdot 0.1894 - 63.75 \cdot 0.1711$$

$$V_p(0) = 0.3698974$$

8. Let $S(t)$ denote the price at time t of a stock that pays no dividends. The Black-Scholes framework holds. Consider a European call option with exercise date T , $T > 0$, and exercise price $S(0)e^{rT}$, where r is the continuously compounded risk-free interest rate.

$$K = S(0)e^{rT} \quad \checkmark$$

You are given:

(i) $S(0) = \$100$

(ii) $T = 10$

(iii) $\text{Var}[\ln S(t)] = 0.4t, \quad t > 0.$



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

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

$$\text{Var}[\ln(S(t))] = \text{Var}[\sigma\sqrt{t} \cdot Z] = \sigma^2 \cdot t = 0.4 \cdot t$$

$$\sigma^2 = 0.4$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{0.4}$$

Determine the price of the call option.

(A) \$7.96

(B) \$24.82

(C) \$68.26

(D) \$95.44

(E) There is not enough information to solve the problem.

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(0)}{S(0)e^{rT}}\right) + (r + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T \right]$$

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[-rT + rT + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \cdot T \right] = \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} = \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} - \sigma\sqrt{T} = -\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$V_c(0) = S(0)N(d_1) - Ke^{-rT} \cdot N(d_2)$$

$$V_c(0) = S(0)N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right) - S(0)e^{rT} \cdot e^{-rT} \cdot N\left(-\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right)$$

$$V_c(0) = S(0) \left(N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right) - N\left(-\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right) \right)$$

symmetry of $N(0,1)$

$$1 - N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right)$$

$$V_c(0) = S(0) \left(2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right) - 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{0.4} \cdot \sqrt{10}}{2} = 1$$

$$V_c(0) = 100 (2 \cdot N(1) - 1)$$

$$V_c(0) = 100 (2 \cdot 0.8413 - 1) = \underline{68.27} \quad \square$$

Problem. For BS Model. European call options on a non-dividend-paying stock.

(i) The time- t stock price is $S(t)$.

(ii) The strike price of the option is $S(0)e^{rT}$ where T is the exercise date.

(iii) The price of a call option w/ one year to exercise equals $0.6 \cdot S(0)$.

Find the price of the call w/ exercise in three months in terms of $S(0)$.

→: For any T :

$$d_1 = \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} = -d_2$$

$$V_c(0, T) = S(0) \cdot \left(2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}\right) - 1 \right)$$

For $T=1$.

$$V_c(0, T=1) = 0.6 \cdot S(0) = S(0) \left(2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) - 1 \right)$$

$$2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) - 1 = 0.6$$

$$N\left(\frac{\sigma}{2}\right) = 0.8 \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma}{2} = 0.84$$

For $T = \frac{1}{4}$. $V_c(0, T = \frac{1}{4}) = S(0) \left(2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma\sqrt{1/4}}{2}\right) - 1 \right)$

$$= S(0) \left(2 \cdot N\left(\frac{\sigma}{4}\right) - 1 \right)$$

$$= S(0) \left(2 \cdot N(0.42) - 1 \right)$$

$$= S(0) \left(2 \cdot 0.6628 - 1 \right)$$

$$= S(0) \cdot \underline{0.3256} \quad \square$$