

- (A) 7.32 million
 (B) 7.42 million
 (C) 7.52 million
 (D) 7.62 million
 (E) 7.72 million

8. You are considering the purchase of a 3-month 41.5-strike American call option on a nondividend-paying stock.

$$T = \frac{1}{4} \checkmark$$

European

$$K = 41.5 \checkmark$$

You are given:

- (i) The Black-Scholes framework holds.
 (ii) The stock is currently selling for 40.
 (iii) The stock's volatility is 30%.
 (iv) The current call option delta is 0.5.

$$S(0) = 40$$

$$\sigma = 0.30$$

$$\Delta_C(S(0), 0) = 0.5 = N(d_1(S(0), 0)) \checkmark$$

Determine the current price of the option.

$$(A) 20 - 20.453 \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-x^2/2} dx \times$$

$$(B) 20 - 16.138 \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-x^2/2} dx \times$$

$$(C) 20 - 40.453 \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-x^2/2} dx \times$$

$$(D) 16.138 \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-x^2/2} dx - 20.453$$

$$(E) 40.453 \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-x^2/2} dx - 20.453$$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = ?$$

$$d_1(S(0), 0) = 0 \quad \text{X}$$

$$d_2(S(0), 0) = d_1(S(0), 0) - \sigma\sqrt{T}$$

$$d_2(S(0), 0) = 0 - 0.3 \cdot \sqrt{0.25}$$

$$d_2(S(0), 0) = -0.15 \checkmark$$

$N(d_2(S(0), 0)) = \dots = \text{the multiple choices are in integral form}$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = S(0) \cdot N(d_1(S(0), 0)) - K e^{-0.15 \cdot T} \cdot N(d_2(S(0), 0))$$

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

$$(r + \frac{0.09}{2}) \cdot \frac{1}{4} = -\ln\left(\frac{40}{41.5}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{41.5}{40}\right)$$

$$r = 4 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{41.5}{40}\right) - 0.045 = \underline{\underline{0.10}}$$

★ $v_c(S(0), 0) = 40 \cdot (0.5) - 41.5 e^{-0.10(44)} \cdot N(-0.15)$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = 20 - 40.453 N(-0.15) \quad \text{symmetry of } N(0,1)$$

$$(1 - N(0.15))$$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = 40.453 N(0.15) - 20.453$$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = 40.453 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{0.15} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - 20.453$$

□

Delta · Hedging.

Market Makers.

- immediacy
 - inventory
- } \Rightarrow exposure to risk \Rightarrow hedge

Say, a market maker writes an option whose value f'tion is

$$v(s, t)$$

At time $\cdot 0$, they write the option \Rightarrow They get $v(S(0), 0)$

At time $\cdot t$, the value of the market maker's position is

$$-v(s, t)$$

To (partially) hedge this exposure to risk, they construct a portfolio which has zero sensitivity to small perturbations in the stock price. Formally speaking, their goal is to create a **delta-neutral portfolio**,

i.e., a portfolio for which

$$\Delta_{\text{Port}}(s, t) = 0$$

Theoretically possible
Practically, not

In particular, @ time $\cdot 0$, we want to trade so that

$$\Delta_{\text{Port}}(S(0), 0) = 0$$

The most straightforward strategy is to trade in the shares of the underlying asset.

At time t , let $N(s, t)$ denote the required number of shares in the portfolio necessary to maintain Δ -neutrality.

The total value of the portfolio:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s} v_{\text{Port}}(s, t) = -v(s, t) + N(s, t) \cdot s$$
$$\Delta_{\text{Port}}(s, t) = -\Delta(s, t) + N(s, t) \stackrel{\Delta\text{-neutrality}}{=} 0$$
$$N(s, t) = \Delta(s, t)$$

Example. An agent writes a call option @ time $\cdot 0$.

At time t , the agent's unhedged position is:

$$-v_c(s, t)$$

\Rightarrow They must maintain $N(s, t) = \Delta_C(s, t)$ in the Δ -hedge.

\Rightarrow In particular, @ time $\cdot 0$.

$$N(S(0), 0) = N(d_1(S(0), 0)) > 0,$$

i.e., the agent must long this much of a share.

\Rightarrow Their total position will be:

$$v_{\text{Port}}(S(0), 0) = -v_c(S(0), 0) + \Delta_C(S(0), 0) \cdot S(0)$$

Example. An agent writes a put option @ time $\cdot 0$.

At time t , the agent's unhedged position is:

$$-v_p(s, t)$$

\Rightarrow They must maintain $N(s, t) = \Delta_p(s, t) = -\underline{N(-d_1(s, t))}$

in the Δ -hedge.

\Rightarrow Their agent must short a portion of a share.

At time 0, their total position will be:

$$v_{\text{Port}}(S(0), 0) = -v_p(S(0), 0) + \Delta_p(S(0), 0) \cdot S(0)$$