

19. Consider a forward start option which, 1 year from today, will give its owner a 1-year European call option with a strike price equal to the stock price at that time.

You are given:

- (i) The European call option is on a stock that pays no dividends.
- (ii) The stock's volatility is 30%. $\sigma = 0.3$
- (iii) The forward price for delivery of 1 share of the stock 1 year from today is 100. $F_{0,1}(S) = 100 = S(0)e^{r \cdot 1}$
- (iv) The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 8%. $r = 0.08$

Under the Black-Scholes framework, determine the price today of the forward start option.

- (A) 11.90
- (B) 13.10
- (C) 14.50
- ✗ (D) 15.70
- (E) 16.80

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{At } t < T : \\ & V_c(t) = S(t)N(d_1(t)) - Ke^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(d_2(t)) \\ & \text{with} \\ & d_1(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(t)}{K}\right) + (r + \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$d_2(t) = d_1(t) - \sigma\sqrt{T-t}$$

In this problem: $t = 1$

$$V_c(1) = S(1) \cdot N(d_1(1)) - Ke^{-r(2-1)} \cdot N(d_2(1))$$

$$V_c(1) = S(1) \cdot N(d_1(1)) - S(1) e^{-r} \cdot N(d_2(1))$$

$$V_c(1) = S(1) \boxed{[N(d_1(1)) - e^{-r} \cdot N(d_2(1))]}$$



$$W/ d_1(1) = \frac{1}{0.3\sqrt{2-1}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(1)}{S(0)}\right) + (0.08 + \frac{0.09}{2})(2-1) \right]$$

@ the money

$$d_1(1) = \frac{0.08 + 0.045}{0.3} = \underline{0.4167}$$

$$d_2(1) = d_1(1) - 0.3\sqrt{2-1} = \underline{0.1167}$$

$$N(d_1(1)) = \text{pnorm}(0.4167) = 0.6615511$$

$$N(d_2(1)) = \text{pnorm}(0.1167) = 0.5464511$$

$$V_C(1) = S(1) \left(0.6615511 - e^{-0.08} \cdot 0.5464511 \right) = S(1) \cdot \underline{0.15711}$$

constant

At time 0, our forward start option is worth:

$$\boxed{0.15711 \cdot S(0)}$$

Our answer : $0.15711 \cdot e^{-0.08} \cdot \underbrace{F_{0,1}(S)}_{=100} = \underline{14.50308}$ □

33. You own one share of a nondividend-paying stock. Because you worry that its price may drop over the next year, you decide to employ a rolling insurance strategy, which entails obtaining one 3-month European put option on the stock every three months, with the first one being bought immediately.

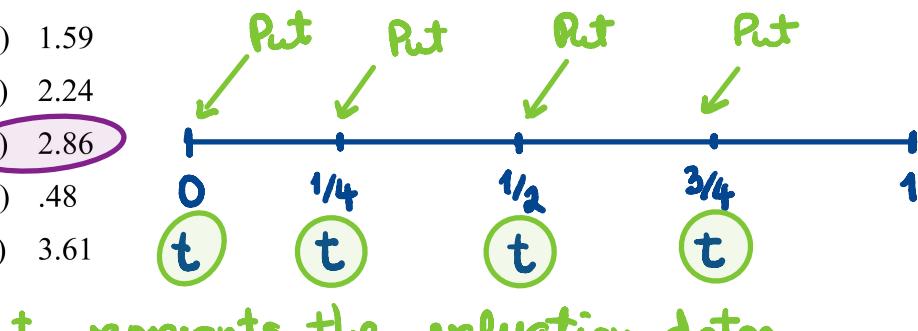
You are given:

- The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 8%.
- The stock's volatility is 30%.
- The current stock price is 45.
- The strike price for each option is 90% of the then-current stock price.

Your broker will sell you the four options but will charge you for their total cost now.

Under the Black-Scholes framework, how much do you now pay your broker?

- (A) 1.59
 (B) 2.24
 (C) 2.86
 (D) .48
 (E) 3.61



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For each of the four puts in the rolling insurance strategy:

- one quarter to exercise ✓
- $K_t = 0.9 \cdot S(t)$ ✓

for every t @ which a put option is received:

$$d_1(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{1/4}} \left[\ln \left(\frac{S(t)}{0.9 S(t)} \right) + \left(r + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \right]$$

$$d_1(\text{X}) = \frac{1}{0.3(1/4)} \left[-\ln(0.9) + \left(0.08 + \frac{0.09}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \right] = \underline{0.9107}$$

$$d_2(\text{X}) = 0.7607$$

$$N(-0.9107) = 0.1812267$$

$$N(-0.7607) = 0.2234181$$

$$V_p(t) = 0.9 \cdot S(t) e^{-0.08(0.25)} \cdot 0.2234181 - S(t) \cdot 0.1812267$$

$$V_p(t) = S(t) \left(0.9 \cdot e^{-0.02} \cdot 0.2234181 - 0.1812267 \right) = \boxed{S(t) \cdot 0.01586801}$$

\Rightarrow Note that for every "put delivery" date, i.e., $t=0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \dots$,
the value of the put @ that time is

$$0.01586801 \cdot S(t)$$

Altogether:

$$4 \cdot \boxed{0.01586801} \cdot \overbrace{S(0)}^{x} = \boxed{2.856242}$$

is the total price of the rolling insurance strategy \square

$4 \cdot K \cdot 45$ spent today: sell x shares, get 1 put @ time 0

sell x shares, get 1 put @ time $(\frac{1}{4})$

sell x shares, get 1 put @ time $(\frac{1}{2})$

sell x shares, get 1 put @ time $(\frac{3}{4})$