

# Option Elasticity

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Def'n.

$$\Omega(s, t) := \frac{\Delta(s, t) \cdot s}{v(s, t)}$$

Use: We can consider the  
option volatility:

$$\sigma_{\text{opt}} = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{volatility} \\ \text{of stock}}}{\sigma_s} \cdot |\Omega|$$

Careful: In our model  $\sigma_s$  is always constant.

$\Omega(s, t)$  is a true function of  $(s, t)$

$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\text{opt}}(s, t)$  is a function of  $(s, t)$

e.g., European call

$$\underline{v_c(s, t)} = \underbrace{s e^{-\delta(T-t)} \cdot N(d_1(s, t)) - K e^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(d_2(s, t))}_{\Delta_c(s, t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_c(s, t) = \frac{s \Delta_c(s, t)}{s \Delta_c(s, t) - K e^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(d_2(s, t))} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sigma_n \geq \sigma_c}$$

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e.g., European put

$$v_p(s, t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_2(s, t)) - se^{-\delta(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_1(s, t))$$

$$\Delta_p(s, t) = -e^{-\delta(T-t)} N(-d_1(s, t))$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_p(s, t) = \frac{-e^{-\delta(T-t)} N(-d_1(s, t)) \cdot s}{Ke^{-r(T-t)} N(-d_2(s, t)) - se^{-\delta(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_1(s, t))}$$

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20. Assume the Black-Scholes framework. Consider a stock and a European call option and a European put option on the stock. The current stock price, call price, and put price are 45.00, 4.45, and 1.90, respectively.

Investor A purchases two calls and one put. Investor B purchases two calls and writes three puts.

The current elasticity of Investor A's portfolio is 5.0. The current delta of Investor B's portfolio is 3.4.

$$\Omega_A(S(0), 0) = 5$$

$$\Delta_B(S(0), 0) = 3.4$$

Calculate the current put-option elasticity.  $\Omega_P(S(0), 0) = ?$

$$S(0) = 45$$

$$v_c(S(0), 0) = 4.45$$

$$v_p(S(0), 0) = 1.90$$

- ! (A) -0.55  
(B) -1.15  
(C) -8.64  
(D) -13.03  
(E) -27.24

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25. Consider a chooser option (also known as an as-you-like-it option) on a nondividend-paying stock. At time 1, its holder will choose whether it becomes a European call option or a European put option, each of which will expire at time 3 with a strike price of \$100.

The chooser option price is \$20 at time  $t = 0$ .

The stock price is \$95 at time  $t = 0$ . Let  $C(T)$  denote the price of a European call option at time  $t = 0$  on the stock expiring at time  $T$ ,  $T > 0$  with a strike price of \$100.

You are given:

- (i) The risk-free interest rate is 0.  
(ii)  $C(1) = \$4$ .

Determine  $C(3)$ .

- (A) \$ 9  
(B) \$11  
(C) \$13  
(D) \$15  
(E) \$17

3.

\* Investor A:  $v_A(s,t) = 2 \cdot v_C(s,t) + v_P(s,t)$

$$\Delta_A(s,t) = 2 \cdot \Delta_C(s,t) + \Delta_P(s,t)$$

By def'n:  $\Omega_A(s,t) = \frac{\Delta_A(s,t) \cdot s}{v_A(s,t)}$

$\Rightarrow$  At time 0:

$$5 = \frac{(2\Delta_C(s|0)=45,0) + \Delta_P(s|0)=45,0) \cdot 45}{\underbrace{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 45 + 1.90}_{= 10.80}} \quad /:5$$

$$10.80 = 9(2\Delta_C(45,0) + \Delta_P(45,0)) \quad /:9$$

$$2\Delta_C(45,0) + \Delta_P(45,0) = 1.2 \quad (\text{I})$$

\* Investor B:  $v_B(s,t) = 2 \cdot v_C(s,t) - 3v_P(s,t)$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_B(s,t) = 2 \cdot \Delta_C(s,t) - 3 \cdot \Delta_P(s,t)$$

$\Rightarrow$  At time 0:

$$3.4 = 2 \cdot \Delta_C(45,0) - 3\Delta_P(45,0) \quad (\text{II})$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{I}) - (\text{II}) : 4\Delta_P(45,0) = -2.2$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_P(45,0) = -0.55$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_P(45,0) = \frac{\Delta_P(45,0) \cdot 45}{1.9} = -\frac{0.55 \cdot 45}{1.9}$$

$$= -13.03 \Rightarrow (D)$$

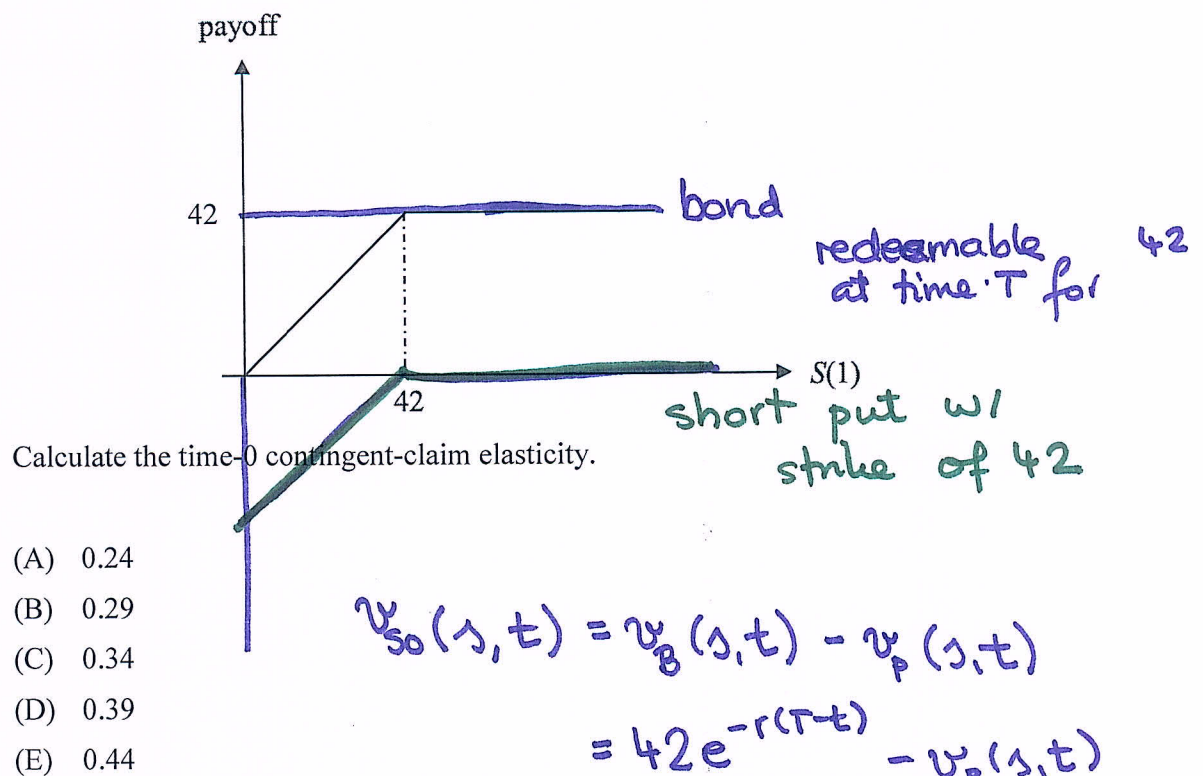
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41. Assume the Black-Scholes framework. Consider a 1-year European contingent claim on a stock.  $T=1$

You are given:

- (i) The time-0 stock price is 45.  $S(0)=45$
- (ii) The stock's volatility is 25%.  $\sigma = 0.25$
- (iii) The stock pays dividends continuously at a rate proportional to its price. The dividend yield is 3%.  $\delta = 0.03$
- (iv) The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 7%.  $r = 0.07$
- (v) The time-1 payoff of the contingent claim is as follows:



$$\Omega_{so}(S(0)=45, 0) = ?$$

By def'n:  $\Omega_{so}(s, t) = \frac{\Delta_{so}(s, t) \cdot s}{v_{so}(s, t)}$

5.

$$\begin{aligned}
 * v_{so}(s,t) &= 42e^{-r(T-t)} - v_p(s,t) \\
 &= 42e^{-r(T-t)} - \left( 42e^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_2(s,t)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - se^{-s(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_1(s,t)) \right) \\
 &\quad \text{B.S model} \\
 &= 42e^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(d_2(s,t)) + se^{-s(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_1(s,t))
 \end{aligned}$$

At time 0:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_1(45,0) &= \frac{1}{0.25\sqrt{1}} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{45}{42}\right) + \left(0.07 - 0.03 + \frac{(0.25)^2}{2}\right) \cdot 1 \right] \\
 &= 0.56
 \end{aligned}$$

$$d_2(45,0) = 0.56 - 0.25 = 0.31$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow N(-d_1(45,0)) &= 1 - N(0.56) = 1 - 0.7123 \\
 &= 0.2877
 \end{aligned}$$

$$N(d_2(45,0)) = 0.6217$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow v_{so}(45,0) &= 42e^{-0.07} \cdot 0.6217 + 45e^{-0.03} \cdot 0.2877 \\
 &= 36.80 \approx 36.90
 \end{aligned}$$

$$* \Delta_{so}(s,t) = \overbrace{\Delta_B(s,t)}^{=0} - \Delta_p(s,t) = e^{-s(T-t)} \cdot N(-d_1(s,t))$$

At time 0:

$$\Delta_{so}(45,0) = e^{-0.03} \cdot 0.2877$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_{so}(45,0) = \frac{45 \cdot e^{-0.03} \cdot 0.2877}{36.9} \approx 0.34 \Rightarrow (C) \quad \textcircled{6}$$