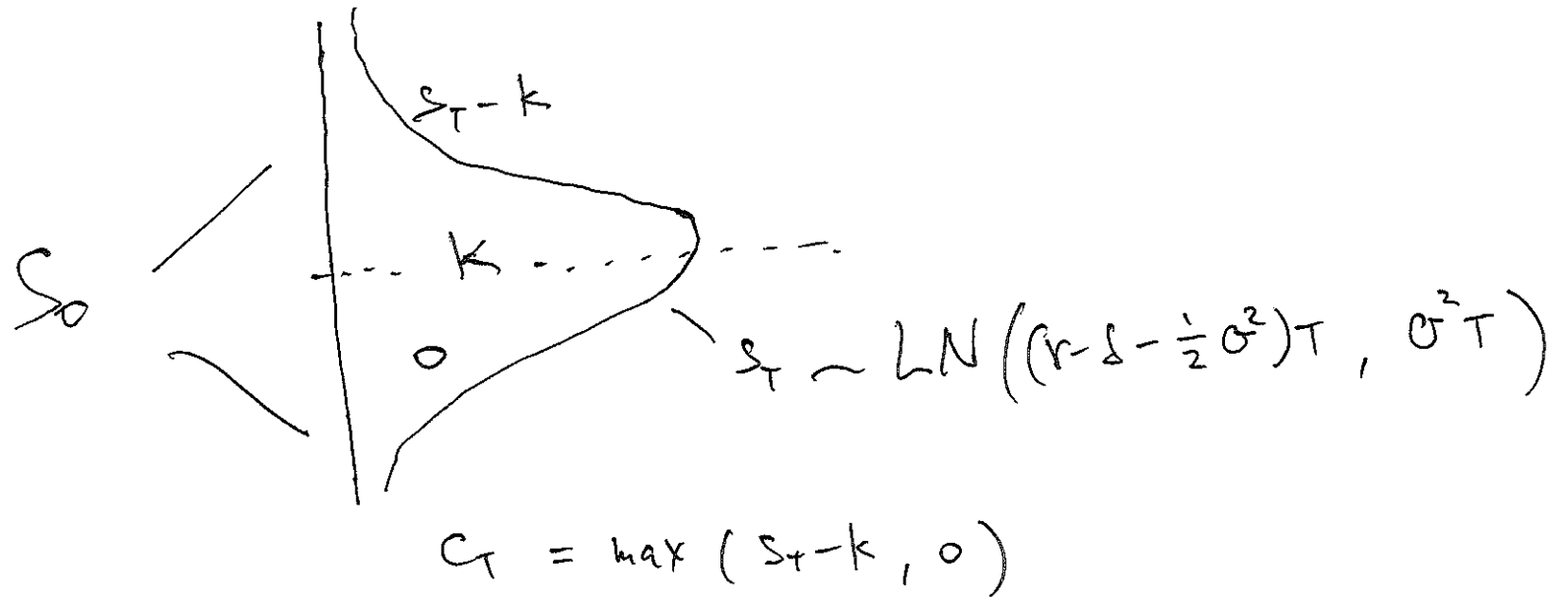


# Monte Carlo Valuation

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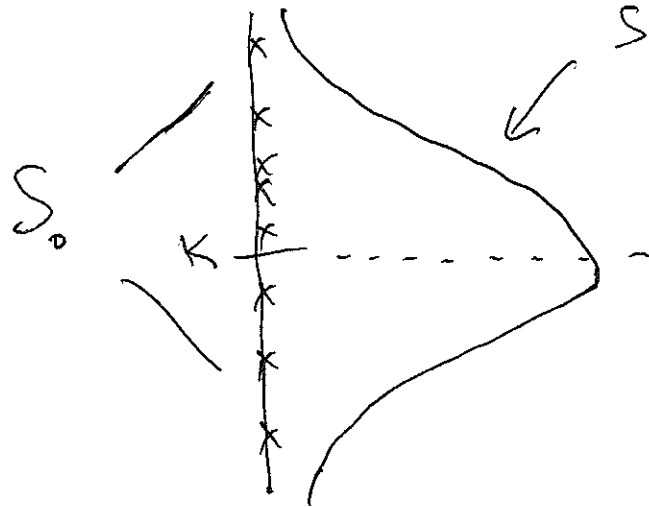
# Black - Scholes formula



$$C_0 = e^{-rT} E(C_T)$$

Monte Carlo valuation =  $\hookrightarrow$  the  $E(\ )$  by simulation.

# Monte Carlo Valuation



Simulate  $S_T \sim LN$

for each realization of  $S_T$ ,  
Calculate ~~Payoff~~  $C_T$ .



Average  $C_T$  after many  
iteration.



$$\bar{C}_T \approx E(C_T)$$

$$C_0 = e^{-rT} (\bar{C}_T)$$

## Risk - neutral view

$$S_T \sim \text{LN} \left( (r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T, \sigma^2 T \right) \quad \star$$

$$\Rightarrow E(S_T) = e^{(r - \delta)T} \quad \text{risk-neutral.}$$

- Monte Carlo valuation using  $\star$  holds risk-neutral view of the market.

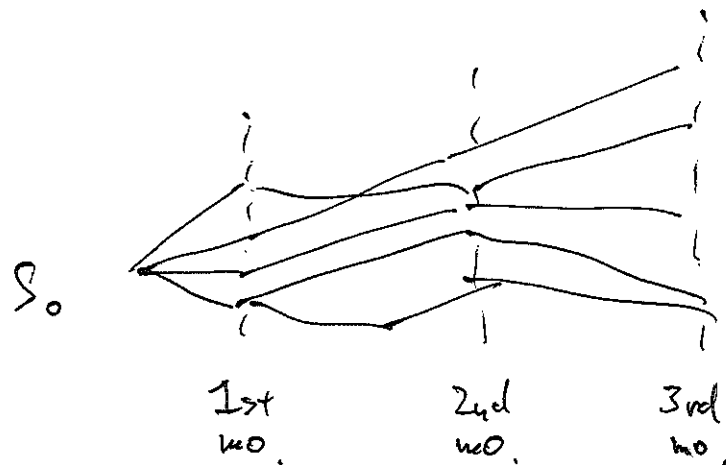
- It is possible to compute MC with true probability, but much more demanding computationally.

is  $P$ .

is  $r$ .

## Pros of MC valuation

- B-S only computes  $C_t$  at time  $T$ .
- Some options are path dependent. (Asian option)
- Use MC to simulate each path.



# Simulating Lognormal Random Variable

$$S_T \sim \text{LN}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$S_T = e^X \quad X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$


$$X = \mu + \sigma z \quad z \sim N(0, 1)$$

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$$S_T = e^{\ln S_0 + (r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T + \sigma\sqrt{T} \cdot z}$$

$$= S_0 \cdot e^{(r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T + \sigma\sqrt{T} \cdot z}$$

simulate



# Monte Carlo Valuation

$$C_0 = e^{-rT} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n C_T^i \right] \quad i = \text{index for iteration}$$

$$C_T^i = \max(0, S_T^i - K)$$

$$S_T^i = S_0 e^{(r - \delta - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})T + \sigma\sqrt{T} \cdot z^i}$$

↑ its simulated  $N(0,1)$

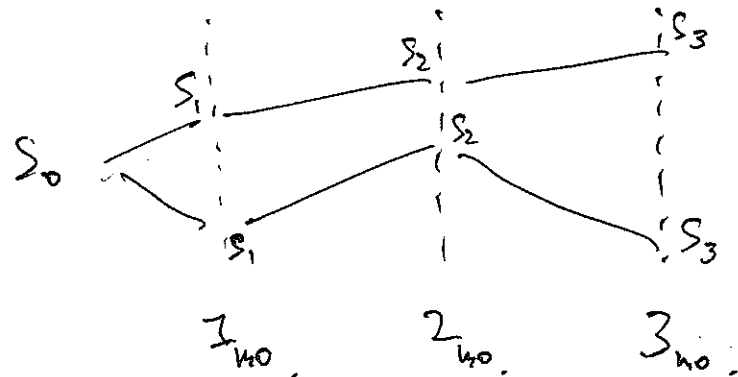
# Arithmetic Asian Option with MC

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$T = 3$  mo.

Average value of <sup>end of</sup> 1st, 2nd and 3rd mo.

$$C_{\text{Asian}} = e^{-rT} E \left[ \max \left( \frac{S_1 + S_2 + S_3}{3} - K, 0 \right) \right]$$





## Accuracy of Monte Carlo.

How close  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n C_T^i$  is to  $E(C_T)$  ?

Very

By CLT

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n C_T^i}_{\bar{C}_T} \sim N \left( E(C_T), \frac{V(C_T)}{n} \right)$$

use sample SD of  $C_T^i$ .

↓

$\bar{C}_T$  is within  $E(C_T) \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{V(C_T)}{n}}$  95% of times.

If  $\widehat{SD}(C_T) = 4.05$  and  $C_0 \approx \$3$  and you want

1% accuracy = (.03), then you need

$$1.96 \frac{4.03}{\sqrt{n}} = .03 \Rightarrow n \doteq 70,000 \text{ iterations}$$

# Efficient Monte Carlo Valuation

$$\bar{C}_T \rightarrow E(C_T) \quad \text{as}$$

$$\bar{C}_T \sim N \left( E(C_T), \frac{V(C_T)}{n} \right)$$

Can I do better?

(faster)

## Anti thetic variates

Calculate  $\dot{C}_T^i, \tilde{C}_T^i$  where

$\dot{C}_T^i$  and  $\tilde{C}_T^i$  are negatively correlated,

Then let

$$C_T^i = \frac{\dot{C}_T^i + \tilde{C}_T^i}{2} \quad \text{and}$$

$$E(C_T^i) \approx \overline{C_T^i}$$

$$\text{Var} \left( \frac{\dot{C}_T^i + \tilde{C}_T^i}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \underbrace{\text{Var}(\dot{C}_T^i)}_{V(C_T^i)} + \underbrace{\text{Var}(\tilde{C}_T^i)}_{V(C_T^i)} + 2 \underbrace{\text{Cov}(\dot{C}_T^i, \tilde{C}_T^i)}_{\text{neg.}} \right]$$

$$\text{then } < \frac{V(C_T^i)}{2}$$

Antithetic with  $n/2$  each

$$< \frac{V(C_T^i)}{2 \cdot n/2}$$

regular MC with  $n$

$$\frac{V(C_T^i)}{n}$$

## Control Variables

$C_T$ ,

$$E(T) = \mu_T$$

$$C_T^* = C_T + c(T - \mu_T)$$

$\uparrow$  random       $\nwarrow$  const

$$\text{Var}(C_T^*) = \text{Var}(C_T) + c^2 \text{Var}(T - \mu_T) + 2c \text{Cov}(C_T, T - \mu_T)$$

$$= \text{Var}(C_T) + c^2 \text{Var}(T) + 2c \text{Cov}(C_T, T)$$

what  $c$  ~~is~~ minimize  $\text{Var}(C_T^*)$  ?

Take  $\frac{d}{dc}$  and set to 0.

$$2C \text{Var}(T) + 2 \text{Cov}(C_T, T) \equiv 0$$

$$C = \frac{\cancel{\text{Cov}(C_T, T)}}{\cancel{\text{Var}(T)}} = \frac{-\text{Cov}(C_T, T)}{\text{Var}(T)}$$

Put it back in, we get,

$$\text{Var}(C_T^*) = \text{Var}(C_T) + \left( \frac{\text{Cov}(C_T, T)}{\text{Var}(T)} \right)^2 \cdot \text{Var}(T) + 2 \frac{-\text{Cov}(C_T, T)}{\text{Var}(T)} \cdot \text{Cov}(C_T, T)$$

$$\text{Var}(C_T^*) = \text{Var}(C_T) - \frac{\text{Cov}^2(C_T, T)}{\text{Var}(T)}$$

$$\frac{\text{Cov}^2(C_T, T)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(C_T) \text{Var}(T)}} = \text{Corr}(C_T, T) = \rho$$

$$\text{Var}(C_T^*) = \text{Var}(C_T) [1 - \rho^2]$$

Pick  $T$  so that  $\rho^2$  is close to 1



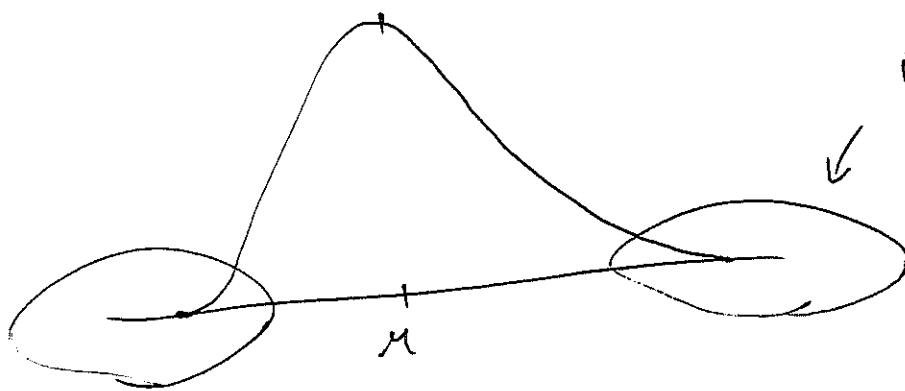
$$C_T^{*i} = C_T^i + \underbrace{-\left(\frac{\text{Cov}(C_T, T)}{\text{Var}(T)}\right)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Compute or estimate}}} \left[ \underbrace{T^i}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{estimate}}} - \mu_T \right]$$

$$E(G) \cong \overline{C_7^*}$$

# Lognormal Stock Model with Poisson Jumps

$$S_T \sim \text{LN} \left( \ln(S_0) + (r - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)T, \sigma^2 T \right)$$

Tail distribution is too little



Often you see some large values here.

Modify Lognormal Model as ...

original model:

$$S_T = S_0 e^{(r-\delta-\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)h + \sigma\sqrt{h} \cdot \overset{N(0,1)}{\downarrow} Z}$$

modified model

$$m \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda h)$$

$$W_{ij} \sim N(0,1)$$

$$S_T = \left[ S_0 e^{(r-\delta-\frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)h + \sigma\sqrt{h} Z} \right] \underbrace{\left[ e^{m(\alpha_j - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^2) + \sigma_j \sum_{i=1}^m W_{(i)}} \right]}_{\text{Jump component}}$$

$S_T$  is still lognormally distributed,

→ Since the jump component is Lognormally distributed,  
new  $S_T$  is still Lognormal, (prod of LN)

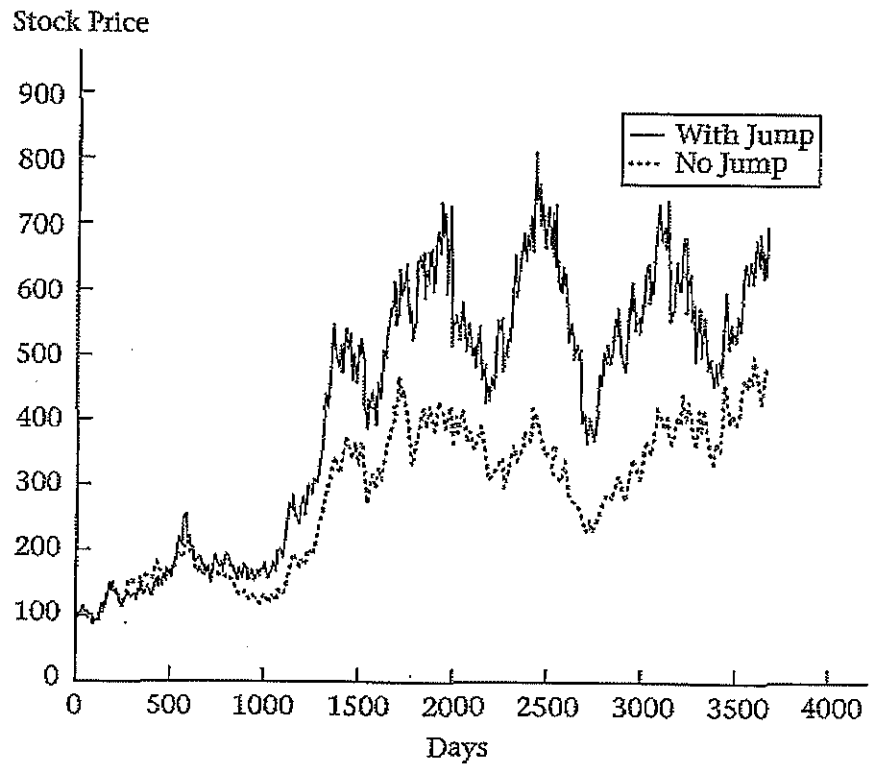
→  $M = \#$  of jumps,

$M \sim \text{poi}(\lambda)$ . where  $\lambda = \text{av. \# of jumps per year}$ .

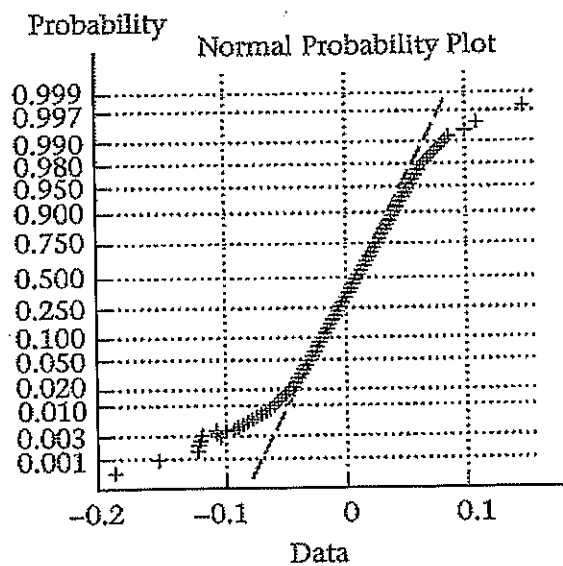
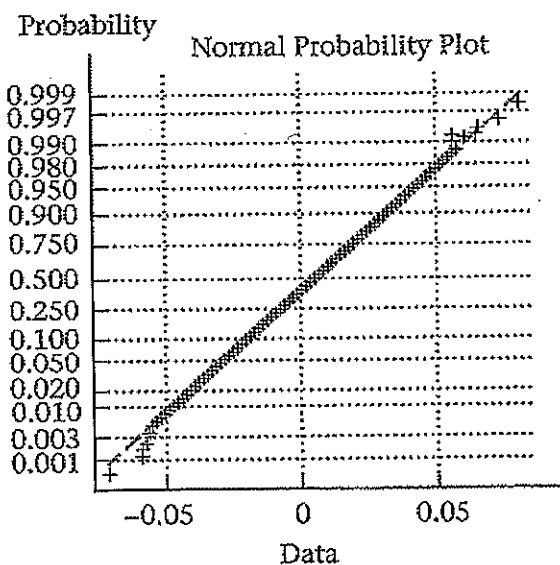
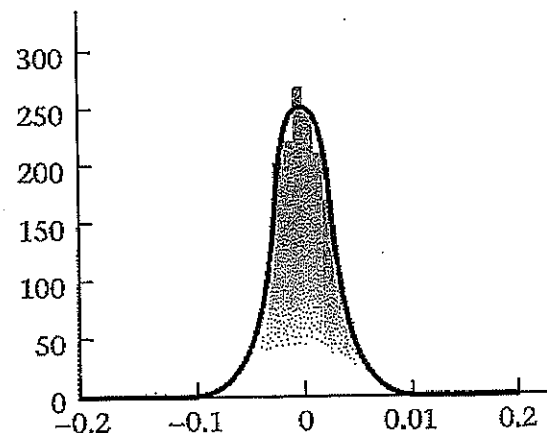
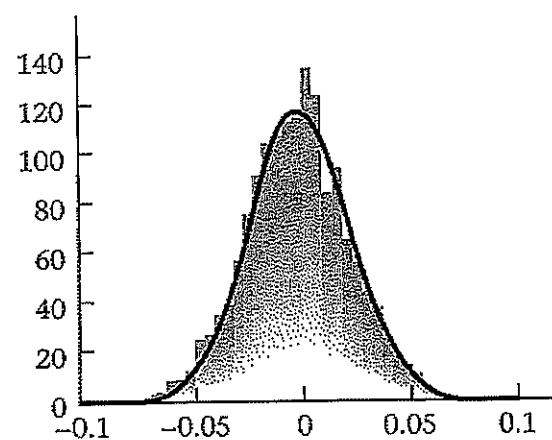
→ Because of Poisson,  $M$  is often 0. (no jumps).

**FIGURE 19.7**

Simulated stock price paths over 10 years (3650 days). One stock cannot jump; the other is the same except that jumps can occur. The simulation assumes that  $\alpha = 8\%$ ,  $\delta = 0$ ,  $\sigma = 30\%$ ,  $\lambda = 3$ ,  $\alpha_j = -2\%$ , and  $\sigma_j = 5\%$ .



**FIGURE 19.8**



Histograms and normal probability plots for the daily returns generated from the two series in Figure 19.7. Graphs on the left are for the no-jump series.