Options Part 4

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Calculating PNL (1 of 8)

- Suppose you trade an option \mathcal{O} at a price P on trade-date T_1 .
- Suppose you hold the option until expiration, which is trade-date T_n .
- The letter i will serve as an index over the trade-dates, so $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Calculating PNL (2 of 8)

- Let B_i and A_i be the end-of-day bid/ask prices of the option for trade-date T_i .
- Note that $B_n = A_n = \text{option-payoff}$.
- \triangleright D_i daily PNL for the trade as of end-of-day T_i .
- C_i trade-to-date (cummulative) PNL for the trade as of end-of-day T_i .
- Intuition: The cummulative PNL on a trade is how much money you make if you unwind the trade at current market values.

Calculating PNL (3 of 8)

Cummulative as Sum of Daily: BUY

$$D_{i} = \begin{cases} B_{1} - P & i = 1 \\ B_{i} - B_{i-1} & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$C_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{i} D_{k}$$

Exercise: Show that $C_j = B_j - P$.

Calculating PNL (4 of 8)

Cummulative as Sum of Daily: SELL

$$D_{i} = \begin{cases} P - A_{1} & i = 1 \\ A_{i-1} - A_{i} & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$C_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{i} D_{k}$$

Exercise: Show that $C_i = P - A_i$.

Calculating PNL (5 of 8)

Daily as Change in Cummulative: **BUY**

$$C_i = B_i - P$$

$$D_i = \begin{cases} C_1 & i = 1 \\ C_i - C_{i-1} & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

Exercise: Show that both formulations of D_i are equivalent.

Calculating PNL (6 of 8)

Daily as Change in Cummulative: **SELL**

$$C_i = P - A_i$$

$$D_i = \begin{cases} C_1 & i = 1 \\ C_i - C_{i-1} & i > 1 \end{cases}$$

Exercise: Show that both formulations of D_i are equivalent.

Calculating PNL (7 of 8)

- Suppose on 9/16/2013 we buy the 169 SPY expiring 9/21, paying EOD Ask.
- Here is the price data for that option until expiration:

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
## trade_date bid ask
## <date> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 2013-09-16 0.82 0.84
## 2 2013-09-17 0.580 0.59
## 3 2013-09-18 0.09 0.1
## 4 2013-09-19 0.05 0.06
## 5 2013-09-20 0
```

Calculating PNL (8 of 8)

Exercise: Verify the following PNL calculations.

Black-Scholes-Merton Formula (1 of 1)

$$m = \mathsf{BSM}(\mathsf{p/c}, K, \mathsf{T}, \mathcal{S}_t, \sigma, \delta, r)$$

Contract Features

- ▶ p/c put or call
- T expiration date (time to expiration)

Market Values

- $\gt S_t$ current underlying price
- σ estimate of the standard deviation log-return of the price of underlying between now and expiration
- lacksquare δ estimate of dividends paid over the life of the option
- r risk-free interest rate

Black-Scholes-Merton Formula (2 of)

- For this class, we won't need to examine the BSM formula too closely, or write a BSM function from scratch.
- A more important skill wil be to use pre-existing BSM functions (and implied volatility functions) in analysis code.
- I usually use the fOptions package.
- ► Exercise: Install the fOptions package and quickly read through pp 22-27 of its documentation PDF.

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