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## 7 Homework 7

- Please email your solution, as a file attachment, to `Sateesh.Mane@qc.cuny.edu`.
- Please submit one zip archive with all your files in it.
  1. The zip archive should have either of the names (CS365 or CS765):  
`StudentId_first_last_CS365_hw7.zip`  
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  2. The archive should contain one “text file” named “hw7.[txt/docx/pdf]” and one cpp file per question named “Q1.cpp” and “Q2.cpp” etc.
  3. Note that not all homework assignments may require a text file.
  4. Note that not all questions may require a cpp file.

## 7.1 Homework 7 (Lecture 12): Black–Scholes–Merton formula for options

- The symbols  $S$ ,  $K$ ,  $r$ ,  $q$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $t_0$  and  $T$  have their usual meanings.
- Define the variables  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &= \frac{\ln(S/K) + (r - q)(T - t_0)}{\sigma\sqrt{T - t_0}} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\sqrt{T - t_0}, \\d_2 &= d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T - t_0}.\end{aligned}\tag{7.1}$$

- The Black–Scholes–Merton formula for the fair value of a European call  $c$  and a European put  $p$ , and the corresponding Delta  $\Delta_c$  and  $\Delta_p$ , is

$$\begin{aligned}c &= Se^{-q(T-t_0)} N(d_1) - Ke^{-r(T-t_0)} N(d_2), \\p &= Ke^{-r(T-t_0)} N(-d_2) - Se^{-q(T-t_0)} N(-d_1), \\ \Delta_c &= e^{-q(T-t_0)} N(d_1), \\ \Delta_p &= -e^{-q(T-t_0)} N(-d_1).\end{aligned}\tag{7.2}$$

- The **cumulative normal function**  $N(x)$  is given by

$$N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-u^2/2} du.\tag{7.3}$$

- Fortunately C++ provides a function `erf(x)` which can be used to compute  $N(x)$ :

$$N(x) = \frac{1 + \operatorname{erf}(x/\sqrt{2})}{2}.\tag{7.4}$$

- You may use the C++ function below to compute the value of  $N(x)$ .

```
double cum_norm(double x)
{
    const double root = sqrt(0.5);
    return 0.5*(1.0 + erf(x*root));
}
```

- **Write functions to calculate the fair value and Delta of European call and put options using the Black–Scholes–Merton formula.**
- You will require the above functions to answer questions in exams.

## 8 Black–Scholes–Merton valuations for examples in Lecture 17a

- Let us employ the parameter values for the examples in Lecture 17a.

$$\begin{aligned}S_0 &= 100, \\K &= 100, \\r &= 0.1, \\q &= 0, \\ \sigma &= 0.5, \\T &= 0.3, \\t_0 &= 0.\end{aligned}\tag{8.1}$$

- We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &\simeq 0.246475, \\d_2 &\simeq -0.02739.\end{aligned}\tag{8.2}$$

- The Black–Scholes–Merton values for the European call and put are:

$$\begin{aligned}c_{\text{BSM}} &\simeq 12.2721, \\p_{\text{BSM}} &\simeq 9.31668.\end{aligned}\tag{8.3}$$

- The Black–Scholes–Merton values for the Delta of the European call and put are:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_c &\simeq 0.597343, \\\Delta_p &\simeq -0.402657.\end{aligned}\tag{8.4}$$

- Remember that the Delta of a put is negative.

- **Verify that the above values satisfy put-call parity**

$$c_{\text{BSM}} - p_{\text{BSM}} = Se^{-q(T-t_0)} - Ke^{-r(T-t_0)}.\tag{8.5}$$

- **Verify that the above values satisfy the relation for Delta**

$$\Delta_c - \Delta_p = e^{-q(T-t_0)}.\tag{8.6}$$

## 9 Black–Scholes–Merton valuations for examples in Lecture 19a

- In the worked examples in Lecture 19a, I calculated American call and put options.
- Nevertheless, we can employ the parameter values in Lecture 19a and calculate the fair values of the corresponding European call and put options.
- The parameter values are

$$\begin{aligned}S_0 &= 100, \\K &= 100, \\r &= 0.1, \\q &= 0.1, \\\sigma &= 0.5, \\T &= 0.4, \\t_0 &= 0.\end{aligned}\tag{9.1}$$

- The values of  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are equal and opposite

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &\simeq 0.158114, \\d_2 &\simeq -0.158114.\end{aligned}\tag{9.2}$$

- The Black–Scholes–Merton values for the European call and put are equal:

$$\begin{aligned}c_{\text{BSM}} &\simeq 12.07068, \\p_{\text{BSM}} &\simeq 12.07068.\end{aligned}\tag{9.3}$$

- **You should be able to work through the binomial tree in Lecture 19a and calculate the binomial model fair values of the corresponding European call and put options. The values should also be equal.**
- The Black–Scholes–Merton values for the Delta of the European call and put are:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_c &\simeq 0.540748, \\\Delta_p &\simeq -0.420041.\end{aligned}\tag{9.4}$$

- Remember that the Delta of a put is negative.
- **Verify that the above values satisfy put-call parity**

$$c_{\text{BSM}} - p_{\text{BSM}} = Se^{-q(T-t_0)} - Ke^{-r(T-t_0)}.\tag{9.5}$$

- **Verify that the above values satisfy the relation for Delta**

$$\Delta_c - \Delta_p = e^{-q(T-t_0)}.\tag{9.6}$$