



Black Scholes Option Pricing

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1 Black Scholes Model

The *Black Scholes* model was published in 1973 for non-dividend paying stocks and since then the model has created a revolution in quantitative finance and opened up derivatives pricing paradigm. Black Scholes model is based on number of assumptions about how financial markets operate and those are:

- Arbitrage Free Markets
- Frictionless and Continuous Markets
- Risk Free Rates
- Log-normally Distributed Price Movements
- Constant Volatility

These assumptions may not hold true in reality, but are not particularly limiting. The generalized Black Scholes framework have been extended to price derivatives of other asset classes such as Black 76 (Commodity Futures) and Garman-Kohlhagen (FX Futures) that are currently used in derivative pricing and risk management.

Black Scholes Formula

The Black-Scholes equation describes the price of the option over time as

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2} + rS \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} - rV = 0$$

Solving the above equation, we know that the value of a call option for a non-dividend paying stock is:

$$C = SN(d_1) - Ke^{-rt}N(d_2)$$

and, the corresponding put option price is:

$$P = Ke^{-rt}N(-d_2) - SN(-d_1)$$

where,

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

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{t}$$

$$N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} dx$$

S is the spot price of the underlying asset K is the strike price r is the annualized continuous compounded risk free rate σ is the volatility of returns of the underlying asset t is time to maturity (expressed in years) $N(x)$ is the standard normal cumulative distribution

Greeks

Description		Greeks for Call Option	Greeks for Put Option
Delta	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial S}$ Sensitivity of Value to changes in price	$N(d_1)$	$-N(-d_1)$
Gamma	$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial S^2}$ Sensitivity of Delta to changes in price	$\frac{N'(d_1)}{S\sigma\sqrt{t}}$	
Vega	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \sigma}$ Sensitivity of Value to changes in volatility	$SN'(d_1)\sqrt{t}$	
Theta	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$ Sensitivity of Value to changes in time	$-\frac{SN'(d_1)\sigma}{2\sqrt{t}} - rKe^{-rt}N(d_2)$	$-\frac{SN'(d_1)\sigma}{2\sqrt{t}} + rKe^{-rt}N(-d_2)$
Rho	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$ Sensitivity of Value to changes in risk-free	$Kte^{-rt}N(d_2)$	$-Kte^{-rt}N(-d_2)$

Import Required Libraries

```
[ ]: # Importing libraries
import pandas as pd
from numpy import *
import yfinance as yf
from scipy.stats import norm

# Plotting
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from tabulate import tabulate

# Set max row to 300
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', 300)
```

1.1 Options Object

Python is an object oriented programming language. Almost everything in Python is an object, with its properties and methods. There are two common programming paradigm in Python.

1. Procedural Programming
2. Object-oriented Programming (OOP)

The key difference between them is that in OOP, objects are at the center, not only representing the data, as in the procedural programming, but in the overall structure of the program as well.

Class

We use Classes to create user-defined data structures. Classes define functions called methods, which identify the characteristics and actions that an object created from the class can perform with its data. A Class is like an object constructor, or a “blueprint” for creating objects. To create a class, use the keyword **class**

`__init__`

The properties of the class objects are defined in a method called `__init__`

1. `__init__()` sets the initial state of the object by assigning the values of the object’s properties.
2. `__init__()` initializes each new instance of the class
3. Attributes created in `__init__()` are called instance attributes, while class attributes are attributes that have the same value for all class instances.

self

The *self* is a parameter used to represent the instance of the class. With self, you can access the attributes and methods of the class in python. It binds the attributes with the given arguments. When a new class instance is created, the instance is automatically passed to the self parameter in `__init__()` so that new attributes can be defined on the object.

1. `__init__()` can any number of parameters, but the first parameter will always be a variable called self.

We will now construct a Black Scholes Options class

```
[ ]: class BS:

    """
    This is a class for Options contract for pricing European options on stocks_
    ↪without dividends.

    Attributes:
        spot          : int or float
        strike        : int or float
        rate          : float
        dte           : int or float [days to expiration in number of years]
        volatility     : float
    """

    def __init__(self, spot, strike, rate, dte, volatility):

        # Spot Price
        self.spot = spot

        # Option Strike
        self.strike = strike
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    # Interest Rate
    self.rate = rate

    # Days To Expiration
    self.dte = dte

    # Volaitlity
    self.volatility = volatility

    # Utility
    self._a_ = self.volatility * self.dte**0.5

    if self.strike == 0:
        raise ZeroDivisionError('The strike price cannot be zero')
    else:
        self._d1_ = (log(self.spot / self.strike) + \
                     (self.rate + (self.volatility**2) / 2) * self.dte) / self.
→ _a_

        self._d2_ = self._d1_ - self._a_

        self._b_ = e**-(self.rate * self.dte)

    # The __dict__ attribute
    '''
        Contains all the attributes defined for the object itself. It maps the
→ attribute name to its value.
    '''

    for i in ['callPrice', 'putPrice', 'callDelta', 'putDelta', 'callTheta',
→ 'putTheta', \
             'callRho', 'putRho', 'vega', 'gamma']:
        self.__dict__[i] = None

    [self.callPrice, self.putPrice] = self._price
    [self.callDelta, self.putDelta] = self._delta
    [self.callTheta, self.putTheta] = self._theta
    [self.callRho, self.putRho] = self._rho
    self.vega = self._vega
    self.gamma = self._gamma

    # Option Price
    @property
    def _price(self):
        '''Returns the option price: [Call price, Put price]'''

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        if self.volatility == 0 or self.dte == 0:
            call = maximum(0.0, self.spot - self.strike)
            put = maximum(0.0, self.strike - self.spot)
        else:
            call = self.spot * norm.cdf(self._d1_) - self.strike * e**(-self.
↪rate * \
                                                                    self.dte)
↪* norm.cdf(self._d2_)

            put = self.strike * e**(-self.rate * self.dte) * norm.cdf(-self.
↪_d2_) - \
                                                                    self.
↪spot * norm.cdf(-self._d1_)
            return [call, put]

# Option Delta
@property
def _delta(self):
    '''Returns the option delta: [Call delta, Put delta]'''

    if self.volatility == 0 or self.dte == 0:
        call = 1.0 if self.spot > self.strike else 0.0
        put = -1.0 if self.spot < self.strike else 0.0
    else:
        call = norm.cdf(self._d1_)
        put = -norm.cdf(-self._d1_)
    return [call, put]

# Option Gamma
@property
def _gamma(self):
    '''Returns the option gamma'''
    return norm.pdf(self._d1_) / (self.spot * self._a_)

# Option Vega
@property
def _vega(self):
    '''Returns the option vega'''
    if self.volatility == 0 or self.dte == 0:
        return 0.0
    else:
        return self.spot * norm.pdf(self._d1_) * self.dte**0.5 / 100

# Option Theta
@property
def _theta(self):
    '''Returns the option theta: [Call theta, Put theta]'''

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        call = -self.spot * norm.pdf(self._d1_) * self.volatility / (2 * self.
→dte**0.5) - self.rate * self.strike * self._b_ * norm.cdf(self._d2_)

        put = -self.spot * norm.pdf(self._d1_) * self.volatility / (2 * self.
→dte**0.5) + self.rate * self.strike * self._b_ * norm.cdf(-self._d2_)
        return [call / 365, put / 365]

    # Option Rho
    @property
    def _rho(self):
        '''Returns the option rho: [Call rho, Put rho]'''
        call = self.strike * self.dte * self._b_ * norm.cdf(self._d2_) / 100
        put = -self.strike * self.dte * self._b_ * norm.cdf(-self._d2_) / 100

        return [call, put]

```

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[ ]: # Initialize option
option = BS(100,100,0.05,1,0.2)

header = ['Option Price', 'Delta', 'Gamma', 'Theta', 'Vega', 'Rho']
table = [[option.callPrice, option.callDelta, option.gamma, option.callTheta,
→option.vega, option.callRho]]

print(tabulate(table,header))

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2 SPY Option

Let's now retrieve SPY option price from Yahoo Finance using `yfinance` library and manipulate the dataframe using the above Black Scholes option pricing model that we created.

<https://finance.yahoo.com/quote/SPY/options?date=1711584000>

```
[ ]: # Get SPY option chain
spy = yf.Ticker('SPY')
options = spy.option_chain('2024-03-28')

[ ]: from datetime import datetime
dte = (datetime(2024, 3, 28) - datetime.today()).days/365

[ ]: # March 2024 515 SPY call option price
spot = 515; strike = 515; rate = 0.0; dte = dte; vol = 0.1248

spy_opt = BS(spot,strike,rate,dte,vol)
print(f'Option Price of SPY240328C00515000 with BS Model is {spy_opt.callPrice:0.4f}')

[ ]: # Verify the options output
options.calls.head(2)

[ ]: # Filter calls for strike at or above 500
df = options.calls[(options.calls['strike']>=500) & (options.
    ↳calls['strike']<=550)]
df.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True)

# Dataframe manipulation with selected fields
df = pd.DataFrame({'Strike': df['strike'],
                   'Price': df['lastPrice'],
                   'ImpVol': df['impliedVolatility']})

# Derive greeks and assign to dataframe as columns
df['Delta'] = df['Gamma'] = df['Vega'] = df['Theta'] = 0.

for i in range(len(df)):

    df['Delta'].iloc[i] = BS(spot,df['Strike'].iloc[i],rate,dte,df['ImpVol'].
    ↳iloc[i]).callDelta
    df['Gamma'].iloc[i] = BS(spot,df['Strike'].iloc[i],rate,dte,df['ImpVol'].
    ↳iloc[i]).gamma
    df['Vega'].iloc[i] = BS(spot,df['Strike'].iloc[i],rate,dte,df['ImpVol'].
    ↳iloc[i]).vega
    df['Theta'].iloc[i] = BS(spot,df['Strike'].iloc[i],rate,dte,df['ImpVol'].
    ↳iloc[i]).callTheta
```

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# Check output
df.head(2)
```

2.1 Visualize Data

```
[ ]: # Plot graph iteratively
fig, ax = plt.subplots(2,2, figsize=(20,10))

ax[0,0].plot(df['Strike'], df['Delta'], color='r', label='AUG 23')
ax[0,1].plot(df['Strike'], df['Gamma'], color='b', label='AUG 23')
ax[1,0].plot(df['Strike'], df['Vega'], color='k', label='AUG 23')
ax[1,1].plot(df['Strike'], df['Theta'], color='g', label='AUG 23')

# Set axis title
ax[0,0].set_title('Delta'), ax[0,1].set_title('Gamma'), ax[1,0].
    ↳set_title('Vega'), ax[1,1].set_title('Theta')

# Define legend
ax[0,0].legend(), ax[0,1].legend(), ax[1,0].legend(), ax[1,1].legend()

# Set title
fig.suptitle('Greeks Vs Strike')

plt.show()
```

3 References

- [Matplotlib](#)
- [Python Class Reference](#)
- [Python Resources](#)
- [YFinance](#)

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