

Options Intro

r is the continuously compounding interest rate.
Put-Call Parity for European Options (**NO DIVIDENDS**):

$$C_E - P_E = S(0) - Xe^{-rT}$$

We can adapt the put-call parity argument to the case where the underlying asset pays discrete dividends with present value Div_0 :

$$C_E - P_E = S(0) - \text{Div}_0 - Xe^{-rT}$$

Or continuously with dividend yield r_{div} :

$$C_E - P_E = S(0)e^{-r_{\text{div}}T} - Xe^{-rT}$$

To prove using A.O., assume $S_0 + P_E - C_E \neq Xe^{-rT}$.

European Options Bounds

Bounds with **NO DIVIDENDS**:

$$\text{Call: } \max(S(0) - Xe^{-rT}, 0) \leq C_E < S(0) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Put: } \max(Xe^{-rT} - S(0), 0) \leq P_E < Xe^{-rT} \quad (2)$$

WITH DIVIDENDS:

$$\text{Call: } \max(S(0) - \text{Div}_0 - Xe^{-rT}, 0) \leq C_E < S(0) - \text{Div}_0 \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Put: } \max(Xe^{-rT} - (S(0) - \text{Div}_0), 0) \leq P_E < Xe^{-rT} \quad (4)$$

The lower bounds of the inequality can be demonstrated using **Put-Call Parity** as $C_E, P_E \geq 0$. The upper bounds of the inequality can be proven by showing $C_E < S(0) \iff P_E < Xe^{-rT}$ by first assuming $C_E \geq S(0)$.

Replicating Lemma: If portfolio V_1 is worth the **SAME** as portfolio V_2 at time T , i.e., $V_1(T) = V_2(T)$, then $V_1(0) = V_2(0)$, otherwise an arbitrage opportunity would arise.

Comparison Lemma: If portfolio V_1 is worth **NO MORE** than portfolio V_2 at time T , i.e., $V_1(T) \leq V_2(T)$, then $V_1(0) \leq V_2(0)$, otherwise an arbitrage opportunity would arise.

 European Options Price Dependence on X

If $X_1 < X_2$, then

$$C_E(X_1) \geq C_E(X_2) \text{ i.e. } X \rightarrow C_E(X) \text{ is decreasing} \quad (5)$$

$$P_E(X_1) \leq P_E(X_2) \text{ i.e. } X \rightarrow P_E(X) \text{ is increasing} \quad (6)$$

And

$$C_E(X_1) - C_E(X_2) \leq e^{-rT}(X_2 - X_1) \quad (7)$$

$$P_E(X_2) - P_E(X_1) \leq e^{-rT}(X_2 - X_1) \quad (8)$$

Here, the functions $X \rightarrow C_E(X)$ and $X \rightarrow P_E(X)$ are **Lipschitz with associated constant** $e^{-rT} < 1$.

Convexity: The functions $X \rightarrow C_E(X)$ and $X \rightarrow P_E(X)$ are **convex**, i.e. for any $X_1, X_2 > 0$ and any $\alpha \in [0, 1]$,

$$C_E(\alpha X_1 + (1 - \alpha)X_2) \leq \alpha C_E(X_1) + (1 - \alpha)C_E(X_2)$$

$$P_E(\alpha X_1 + (1 - \alpha)X_2) \leq \alpha P_E(X_1) + (1 - \alpha)P_E(X_2)$$

Let $S \in R_+$ be fixed. The functions $R_+ \ni X \rightarrow (S - X)^+ \in R_+$ and $R_+ \ni X \rightarrow (X - S)^+ \in R_+$ are **convex**.

 European Options Price Dependence on S

If $S_1 < S_2$, then

$$C_E(S_1) \leq C_E(S_2) \text{ i.e. } S \rightarrow C_E(S) \text{ is increasing} \quad (9)$$

$$P_E(S_1) \geq P_E(S_2) \text{ i.e. } S \rightarrow P_E(S) \text{ is decreasing} \quad (10)$$

$$C_E(S_2) - C_E(S_1) \leq S_2 - S_1 \quad (11)$$

$$P_E(S_1) - P_E(S_2) \leq S_2 - S_1 \quad (12)$$

The functions $R_+ \ni S \rightarrow C_E(S)$ and $S \rightarrow P_E(S)$ are **Lipschitz with associated constant** 1.

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American Options Bounds and Characteristics

Relationship with European Options:

$$C_A \geq C_E(\geq 0), P_A \geq P_E(\geq 0)$$

To prove using A.O., assume $C_A < C_E$.

American Options **WITHOUT** dividends:

$$C_E = C_A$$

To prove this, we only need to consider $C_A > C_E$ leads to an A.O. since $C_A \geq C_E$. There is **NO** corresponding result like $P_E = P_A$.

We can show this by assuming (1) $C_A - P_A < S(0) - X$, (2) $C_A - P_A > S(0) - Xe^{-rT}$. **Put-Call Parity Estimates for American Options:**

$$S(0) - X \leq C_A - P_A \leq S(0) - Xe^{-rT}$$

Put-Call Parity WITH DIVIDENDS:

$$S(0) - \text{Div}_0 - X \leq C_A - P_A \leq S(0) - Xe^{-rT}$$

Bounds with **NO DIVIDENDS**:

$$\text{Call: } \max(S(0) - Xe^{-rT}, 0) \leq C_A < S(0) \quad (13)$$

$$\text{Put: } \max(X - S(0), 0) \leq P_A < X \quad (14)$$

WITH DIVIDENDS:

$$\text{C: } \max(0, S(0) - X, (S(0) - \text{Div}_0) - Xe^{-rT}) \leq C_A < S(0) \quad (15)$$

$$\text{P: } \max(0, X - S(0), Xe^{-rT} - (S(0) - \text{Div}_0)) \leq P_A < X \quad (16)$$

The functions $R_+ \ni X \rightarrow C_A(X) \in R_+$ is decreasing, convex, and Lipschitz with associated constant 1.

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If $T_1 < T_2$,

$$C_A(T_1) \leq C_A(T_2) \quad (17)$$

$$P_A(T_1) \leq P_A(T_2) \quad (18)$$

i.e. $T \rightarrow C_A(T)$ and $T \rightarrow P_A(T)$ are increasing. The one with longer life is worth more.

Options Valuation, BT

The time value of a European call option can **NEVER** be **negative**:

$$(S(t) - X)^+ \leq (S(t) - Xe^{-r(T-t)})^+ \leq C_E(t)$$

However, when a European put option is **deep in the money**, the time value may be negative.

For any European/American call/put option with strike price X , its **time value** attains its **maximum** at $S = X$.

In a binomial tree model, we assume that one-step returns $K(n), n = 1, 2, \dots$ are i.i.d. such that for each n ,

$$K(n) = \begin{cases} u & \text{with probability } p \\ d & \text{with probability } (1 - p) \end{cases}$$

where $-1 < d < u$ and $p \in (0, 1)$. Further, we assume that $d < r < u$

Risk-neutral Probability:

$$r = p^*u + (1 - p^*)d = E^*(K(1)) \iff p^* = \frac{r - d}{u - d}$$

Martingale: The discounted stock prices $\tilde{S}_i(n) = S_i(n)/A(n)$ are martingales for $i = 1, \dots, k$:

$$E^*[\tilde{S}_i(n+1)|S(n)] = \tilde{S}_i(n)$$

European Derivative Valuation in N -step BT:

$$D(0, 0) = E^* \left[\frac{f(S(N))}{(1+r)^N} | S(0) \right] = E^* \left[\frac{f(S(N))}{(1+r)^N} \right] \quad (19)$$

$$= \binom{N}{i} \frac{1}{(1+r)^N} \sum_{i=0}^N (p^*)^{N-i} (1-p^*)^i f(S(0)(1+u)^{N-i}(1+d)^i) \quad (20)$$

Options Valuation, BT with DIVIDENDS

Ex-dividend stock price:

$$S(n) = S(n-1)(1 + K(n)) - \text{Div}(n)$$

We have that

$$S(0) = E^* \left[\frac{\tilde{S}(1)}{1+r} | S(0) \right] = E^* \left[\frac{S(1) + \text{Div}}{1+r} | S(0) \right]$$

Here, p^* is calculated using the ex-dividend price $S(0)$ at time 0 and the cum-dividend price $\tilde{S}(1)$ at time 1.

We still first calculate its value at the expiry date $D(N) = f(S(N))$. Then we go back to calculate $D(n, j)$ at each node (n, j) using the **risk-neutral probability** p^* . Again, $p_{(n,j)}^*$ is calculated based on the ex-dividend price $S(n, j)$ and the cum-dividend price $S(n+1)$. This is the **ONLY DIFFERENCE**.

Hedging

Delta Hedging:

$$\Delta_{C_E} = \Phi(d_+) \in [0, 1]$$

$$\Delta_{P_E} = \Delta_{C_E} - 1 = \Phi(d_+) - 1 = -\Phi(-d_+)$$

Options Greeks for European Calls:

Delta:

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial S(t)} = \Delta_{C_E}(t) = \Phi(d_+(t))$$

Gamma:

$$\frac{\partial^2 D}{\partial S(t)^2} = \Gamma_{C_E}(t) = \frac{1}{S(t)\sigma\sqrt{2\pi(T-t)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}d_+^2(t)\right)$$

Theta:

$$\Theta_{C_E}(t) = -\frac{S(t)\sigma}{2\sqrt{2\pi(T-t)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}d_+^2(t)\right) - rXe^{-r(T-t)}\Phi(d_-(t))$$

Vega:

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial \sigma} = \nu_{C_E}(t) = \frac{S(t)\sqrt{T-t}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}d_+^2(t)\right)$$

Rho:

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial r} = \rho_{C_E}(t) = (T-t)Xe^{-r(T-t)}\Phi(d_-(t))$$

Options Valuation, B-S Model

Applying Random Walk to stock prices:

$$k_N(j) = \begin{cases} \ln(1+u_N) & p = \frac{1}{2} \\ \ln(1+d_N) & p = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \mu\tau_N + \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N} \\ \mu\tau_N - \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N} \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

$$= \mu\tau_N + \sigma\xi(j)\sqrt{\tau_N} \quad (25)$$

$$S_N(t) = S_N(0) \exp\left[\sum_{j=1}^m (\mu\tau_N + \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N}\xi(j))\right] \quad (26)$$

$$= S_N(0) \exp\left[m\mu\tau_N + \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N} \sum_{j=1}^m (\xi(j))\right] \quad (27)$$

$$= S_N(0) \exp[\mu t + \sigma w_N(t)] \quad (28)$$

Observe that for every $t \geq 0$,

$$\ln\left(\frac{S(t)}{S(0)}\right) = \mu t + \sigma W(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu t, \sigma^2 t)$$

Black-Scholes SDE (Limit Model): As $N \rightarrow \infty$ or equivalently as $\tau_N \rightarrow 0$, the CLM gives

$$dS(t) = S(t) \left(\mu + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 \right) dt + \sigma S(t) dW(t)$$

It has a unique solution

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp(\mu t + \sigma W(t))$$

Risk-neutral Probability under B-S SDE:

$$\mu^* = r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$$

Ito's Lemma: Assume the process X has the following dynamics: $dX_t = \mu_t dt + \sigma_t dW_t$, $X_0 = x_0$. Then,

$$df(t, X_t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dX_t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dX_t^2 \quad (29)$$

$$= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (\mu_t dt + \sigma_t dW_t) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (\mu_t dt + \sigma_t dW_t)^2 \quad (30)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \mu_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \right) dt + \sigma_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW_t \quad (31)$$

since as $dt \rightarrow 0$, dt^2 and $dt dW_t$ will tend to zero faster than dt and dW_t^2 and $(dW_t)^2 = dt$.

Martingality of Stochastic Integral: Assume that the function $g(t, x)$ does not grow faster than the exponential function. Then,

$$E \left[\int_0^t g(s, W_s) dW_s \right] = \int_0^t g(s, W_s) dW_s = 0, t \in R^+$$

Black-Scholes Equation:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + rS \frac{\partial f}{\partial S} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \sigma^2 S^2 = rf$$

Options Valuation, B-S Intro

We can extend a BT to a continuous time model: For $t = \frac{m}{m\tau_N} = m\tau_N$:

$$S_N(t) = S_N(0) \prod_{i=1}^N (1 + K_N(j)) \quad (21)$$

$$= \exp \left[\ln \left(\prod_{i=1}^N (1 + K_N(j)) \right) \right] \quad (22)$$

$$= S_N(0) \exp \left[\sum_{j=1}^n k_N(j) \right] \quad (23)$$

where $k_N(j) = \ln(1 + K_N(j)) = \ln\left(\frac{S_N(j\tau_N)}{S_N((j-1)\tau_N)}\right)$ is the **one step log return** of the stock at time j .

Properties of log return: $E(k) = \mu$, $\text{Var}(k) = \sigma^2$, $\ln(1 + u_N) = \mu\tau_N + \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N}$, $\ln(1 + d_N) = \mu\tau_N - \sigma\sqrt{\tau_N}$.

Scaled Random Walk:

$$W(n) = w_N(n\tau_N) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} w(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^n \xi(j) = \sqrt{\tau_N} \sum_{j=1}^n \xi(j)$$

The scaled random walk jumps at every τ_N -time unit, $\tau_N = \frac{1}{N}$ by $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$.

Properties of Random Walk: $E[w_N(n\tau_N)] = 0$, $\text{Var}[w_N(n\tau_N)] = \frac{n}{N}$, $W_0 = 0$, $W(t) - W(s) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, t-s)$ for $0 \leq s \leq t$.

European Options Valuation, Pricing

Under the P^* measure (and by means of Girsanov's theorem) we can rewrite the B-S Model as

$$dS(t) = rS(t)dt + \sigma S(t)dW_t^* \text{ under } P^*$$

$\tilde{S}(t) = \tilde{S}(0) + \int_0^t \sigma g(s, W_s^*) dW_s^* = \tilde{S}(0)$ is an F^W -martingale under the measure P^* .

Girsanov's Theorem:

$$W_t^* = W_t + \frac{\mu - r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2}{\sigma} t$$

B-S Formula for European Call/Put:

$$C_E(t) = S(t)\Phi(d_+(t)) - Xe^{-r(T-t)}\Phi(d_-(t))$$

and

$$P_E(t) = Xe^{-r(T-t)}\Phi(-d_-(t)) - S(t)\Phi(-d_+(t))$$

where

$$d_{\pm}(t) := \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S(t)}{X}\right) + (r \pm \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}$$