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B-S model: replication of European call

- Discounted values: $E_t = e^{-rt}V_t$ and $D_t = e^{-rt}S_t$ are both martingales under Q.
- Moreover, we know that under Q,

$$dS_t = S_t \left(r dt + \sigma d \widetilde{Z}_t \right), \tag{1}$$

$$dD_t = \sigma D_t d\widetilde{Z}_t,\tag{2}$$

$$dE_t = -re^{-rt}V_t dt + e^{-rt}dV_t$$

= $e^{-rt}(-rV_t dt + dV_t)$. (3)

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• By Ito's formula:

$$dV_{t} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}dt + \frac{\partial V}{\partial s}dS_{t} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^{2} V}{\partial s^{2}}(dS_{t})^{2}$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + rS_{t}\frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^{2}S_{t}^{2}\frac{\partial^{2} V}{\partial s^{2}}\right]dt + \sigma\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}S_{t}d\widetilde{Z}_{t}$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + rS_{t}\frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^{2}S_{t}^{2}\frac{\partial^{2} V}{\partial s^{2}}\right]dt + \frac{\partial V}{\partial s}e^{rt}dD_{t}.$$

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• Using Eq. (3) we obtain:

$$dE_t = e^{-rt} \left(-rV_t + \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + rS_t \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial s^2} \right) dt \qquad (4)$$

$$+\frac{\partial V}{\partial s}dD_t.$$
 (5)

• Since E_t and D_t are both martingales under Q, by the MRT, exists previsible process ϕ_t such that

$$dE_t = \phi_t dD_t = \sigma \phi_t D_t dZ_t \tag{6}$$

• Comparing Eqs (4)-(5) with Eq. (6), we have that:

$$\phi_t = \frac{\partial V}{\partial s},\tag{7}$$

$$rV_t = \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + rS_t \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial s^2}.$$
 (8)

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- The last PDE equation is the Black-Scholes PDE.
- We can show that:

$$\phi_t = \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} = \Phi(d_1) \tag{9}$$

 The martingale approach has provided an alternative derivation of the B.-S. PDE and Eq. (9) gives explicit formula for φ_t of the replicating portfolio (is equal to the Delta Δ).

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Advantages of the martingale approach

- The martingale approach is much more clear in the process of pricing derivatives, comparing to the PDE approach.
- Under the PDE approach we derived a PDE and had to "guess" the solution for a given set of boundary conditions.
- Under the martingale approach we have an expectation which can be evaluated explicitly in some cases and in a straightforward numerical way in other cases.
- The martingale approach also gives us the replicating strategy for the derivative.
- The martingale approach can be applied to any $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -measurable derivative payment, including path-dependent options (for example, Asian options), whereas the PDE approach, in general, cannot.

Risk neutral pricing

- Exercise: You are trying to replicate a 6-month European call option with strike price 500, which you purchased 4 months ago. If r = 0.05, σ = 0.2, and the current share price is 475, what portfolio should you be holding (assuming no dividends) ?
- The martingale approach is also known as risk-neutral pricing. The measure Q is commonly called the risk-neutral measure. However, Q is also referred to as the equivalent martingale measure because the discounted prices D_t and E_t are martingales under Q.

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State price deflator approach

Recall that:

$$dS_t = S_t \left(\mu dt + \sigma dZ_t \right)$$
, under *P*, (10)

$$dS_t = S_t \left(rdt + \sigma d\widetilde{Z}_t \right)$$
, under Q , (11)

where

$$d\widetilde{Z}_t = dZ_t + \gamma dt \tag{12}$$

and

$$\gamma = \frac{\mu - r}{\sigma}.$$
 (13)

 A corollary to the Cameron-Martin-Girsanov theorem states that there exists a process η_t such that for a payoff X we have:

$$E_Q[X|\mathcal{F}_t] = E_P\left[\frac{\eta_T}{\eta_t}X|\mathcal{F}_t\right],$$

where (in this case):

$$\eta_t = e^{-\gamma Z_t - \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2 t} \tag{14}$$

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State price deflator approach

Define

$$A_t = e^{-rt} \eta_t. \tag{15}$$

• The price of the derivative is:

$$V_{t} = e^{-r(T-t)} E_{Q} \left[X | \mathcal{F}_{t} \right] = e^{-r(T-t)} E_{P} \left[\frac{\eta_{T}}{\eta_{t}} X | \mathcal{F}_{t} \right]$$
$$= \frac{E_{P} \left[A_{T} X | \mathcal{F}_{t} \right]}{A_{t}}.$$
(16)

 A_t is called a state-price deflator (also deflator; state-price density; pricing kernel; or stochastic discount factor).

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The B-S model with dividends

- Suppose that dividends are payable continuously at the constant rate of q p.a.: that is, the dividend payable over the interval [t, t + dt] is qStdt.
- Suppose that S_t is subject to the same SDE:

$$dS_t = S_t (\mu dt + \sigma dZ_t)$$
, under *P*.

- Let \tilde{S}_t be the value of an investment of $\tilde{S}_0 = S_0$ at time 0 in the underlying asset assuming that all dividends are reinvested in the same asset at the time of payment of the dividend.
- $\frac{\tilde{S}_t}{\tilde{S}_0}$ described as the total return on the asset from time 0 to time t.

The B-S model with dividends

- \tilde{S}_t is the tradable asset and not S_t in the following sense: If we pay S_0 at time 0 for the asset then we are buying the right to future dividends as well as future growth of the capital.
- It is straightforward to see that the SDE for \widetilde{S}_t is:

$$d\widetilde{S}_t = \widetilde{S}_t \left[(\mu + q) \, dt + \sigma dZ_t \right], \text{ under } P.$$
(17)

Solving the SDE we have (geometric Bm):

$$\widetilde{S}_{t} = \widetilde{S}_{0} \exp\left[\left(\mu + q - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^{2}\right)t + \sigma Z_{t}\right].$$
(18)

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The B-S model with dividends

• Denote the value at time t of an European call option on the dividend paying share by $f(t, S_t)$. Then we have:

Proposition: (Garman-Kohlhagen formula):

$$f(t, S_t) = S_t e^{-q(T-t)} \Phi(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} \Phi(d_2), \qquad (19)$$

where

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t}{K}\right) + \left(r - q + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)(T - t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T - t}},$$
(20)

$$d_2 = d_1 - \sigma \sqrt{T - t}. \tag{21}$$

For a put option, we have

$$f(t, S_t) = K e^{-r(T-t)} \Phi(-d_2) - S_t e^{-q(T-t)} \Phi(-d_1).$$
 (22)

- These formulas can be derived by the PDE approach and by the martingale approach (as in the non-dividend-paying case) - see core reading (homework).
- The B.-S. PDE is (substituting $S_t = s$)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + (r - q) s \frac{\partial f}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 s^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s^2} = rf(t, s).$$
(23)

• In the martingale approach, the basic SDE for \widetilde{S}_t under Q is (see core reading)

$$d\widetilde{S}_t = \widetilde{S}_t \left[rdt + \sigma d\widetilde{Z}_t \right] \quad \text{under } Q. \tag{24}$$

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The B-S model with dividends

 In the martingale approach, we have (see the 5 step method for this case in the core reading)

$$V_t = e^{-r(T-t)} E_Q \left[X | \mathcal{F}_t \right].$$

• By the MRT there exists a previsible process $\tilde{\phi}_t$ such that:

$$dE_t = \widetilde{\phi}_t d\widetilde{D}_t$$
,

and $\psi_t = E_t - \widetilde{\phi}_t \widetilde{D}_t$.

- $\tilde{\phi}_t$ units of \tilde{S}_t is equivalent to $\phi_t = e^{qt}\tilde{\phi}_t$ units of S_t . At time t, the replicating portfolio is $(\tilde{\phi}_t, \psi_t)$ or (ϕ_t, ψ_t) if we consider S_t instead of \tilde{S}_t .
- See more detail on the dividend-paying case of the Black-Scholes model in the Core Reading (homework).