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8. Let $S(t)$ denote the price at time t of a stock that pays no dividends. The Black-Scholes framework holds. Consider a European call option with exercise date T , $T > 0$, and exercise price $S(0)e^{rT}$, where r is the continuously compounded risk-free interest rate.

$$K = S(0)e^{rT}$$

You are given:

- (i) $S(0) = \$100$
- (ii) $T = 10$
- (iii) $\text{Var}[\ln S(t)] = 0.4t$, $t > 0$.

Determine the price of the call option.

- (A) \$7.96
- (B) \$24.82
- (C) \$68.26
- (D) \$95.44
- (E) There is not enough information to solve the problem.

↳ 1st

d_1 & d_2

2nd

$N(d_1)$ & $N(d_2)$

3rd

$$V_c(0) = S(0)e^{-\delta \cdot T} \cdot N(d_1) - Ke^{-rT} \cdot N(d_2)$$

1.

$$1^{st} \quad d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(0)}{S(0)e^{rT}}\right) + \left(r + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot T \right]$$

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[-rT + r \cdot T + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \cdot T \right] = \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} = -\frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}$$

$$2^{nd} \quad N(d_1) = N(-d_2) \Rightarrow N(d_2) = 1 - N(d_1)$$

$$3^{rd} \quad V_c(0) = S(0) \cdot N(d_1) - S(0)e^{rT} \cdot e^{-rT} \cdot (1 - N(d_1))$$

$$V_c(0) = S(0) (N(d_1) - 1 + N(d_1))$$

$$\boxed{V_c(0) = S(0) (2N(d_1) - 1)}$$

$$\left[\text{From (iii)} : \text{Var}[\ln(S(t))] = 0.4 \cdot t \right]$$

$$w/ \ln(S(t)) = \ln(S(0)) + \overbrace{\left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \cdot t}^{R(0,t)} + \sigma\sqrt{t} \cdot Z$$

$Z \sim N(0,1)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}[\ln(S(t))] = \text{Var}[\sigma\sqrt{t} \cdot Z] = \sigma^2 \cdot t$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma^2 = 0.4$$

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$$\text{In our problem: } \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{0.4} \cdot \sqrt{10}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow V_c(0) = S(0) (2 \cdot N(1) - 1) = 100 (0.8413 \cdot 2 - 1)$$

$$V_c(0) = 68.26 \blacksquare$$

3. You are asked to determine the price of a European put option on a stock. Assuming the Black-Scholes framework holds, you are given:

- (i) The stock price is \$100. $S(0) = 100$
- (ii) The put option will expire in 6 months. $T = 1/2$
- (iii) The strike price is \$98. $K = 98$
- (iv) The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is $r = 0.055$.
- (v) $\delta = 0.01$
- (vi) $\sigma = 0.50$

Calculate the price of this put option.

- (A) \$3.50
- (B) \$8.60
- (C) \$11.90
- (D) \$16.00
- (E) \$20.40

1st

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{S(0)}{K}\right) + (r - \delta + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T \right]$$

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{0.5\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}} \left[\ln\left(\frac{100}{98}\right) + (0.055 - 0.01 + \frac{0.25}{2}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$d_1 = 0.298 \approx 0.30$$

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T} = 0.30 - 0.5\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$d_2 = -0.05599 \approx -0.06$$

2nd

$$N(-d_1) = N(-0.3) = 1 - N(0.3) = 1 - 0.6179 = 0.3821$$

$$N(-d_2) = N(0.06) = 0.5239$$

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3rd

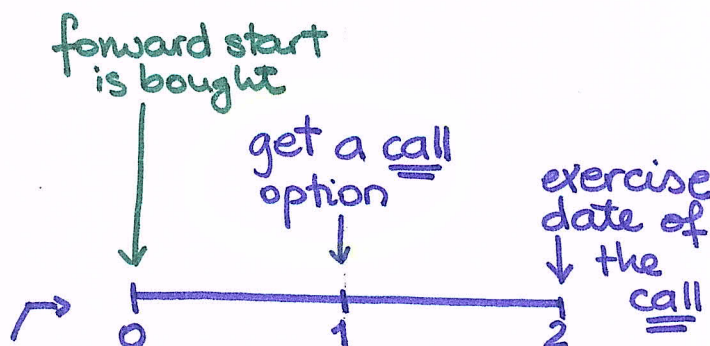
$$V_p(0) = Ke^{-rT}N(-d_2) - S(0)e^{-\delta \cdot T} \cdot N(-d_1)$$

$$V_p(0) = 98 e^{-0.055 \cdot (0.5)} \cdot 0.5239$$

$$- 100 e^{-0.01(0.5)} \cdot 0.3821 = 11.93$$

\Rightarrow (c) ■

- (A) 586
- (B) 594
- (C) 684
- (D) 692
- (E) 797



19. Consider a *forward start option* which, 1 year from today, will give its owner a 1-year European call option with a strike price equal to the stock price at that time.

$$K = S(1)$$

You are given:

- (i) The European call option is on a stock that pays no dividends.
- (ii) The stock's volatility is 30%. $\sigma = 0.30$
- (iii) The forward price for delivery of 1 share of the stock 1 year from today is 100. $F_{0,1}(S) = 100$
- (iv) The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 8%. $r = 0.08$

Under the Black-Scholes framework, determine the price today of the forward start option.

- (A) 11.90
- (B) 13.10
- (C) 14.50
- (D) 15.70
- (E) 16.80

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At time t such that $t < T$:

$$V_C(t) = S(t) e^{-\delta(T-t)} \cdot N(d_1) - K e^{-r(T-t)} \cdot N(d_2)$$

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

$$\text{and } d_2 = d_1 - \sigma \sqrt{T-t}$$

\Rightarrow In our problem:

$$V_C(1) = S(1) \cdot N(d_1) - S(1) \cdot e^{-0.08 \cdot 1} \cdot N(d_2)$$

$$\text{w/ } d_1 = \frac{1}{0.3 \sqrt{1}} \left[\cancel{\ln\left(\frac{S(1)}{S(1)}\right)} + (0.08 + \frac{0.09}{2}) \cdot 1 \right]$$

$$d_1 = \frac{0.08 + 0.045}{0.3} \approx 0.42$$

$$\text{and } d_2 = 0.42 - 0.3 = 0.12$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow V_C(1) &= S(1) (N(d_1) - e^{-0.08} \cdot N(d_2)) \\ &= S(1) (0.6628 - e^{-0.08} \cdot 0.5478) \end{aligned}$$

$$V_C(1) = S(1) \cdot 0.1571$$

At time 0, our forward-start option must cost the same as 0.1571 prepaid forward contracts.

$$\Rightarrow V_C(0) = 0.1571 \cdot F_{0,1}^P(S)$$

$$= 0.1571 \cdot e^{-0.08} \cdot \underbrace{F_{0,1}(S)}_{100} = 14.50 \quad \textcircled{6}$$