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N Step Binomial Model.

Let the set of times be $T = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$.

Assume at each time set the security price may move up or down by fixed factors:

$$P(S(t+1) = S(t)(1+m_u)) = P_u$$

$$P(S(t+1) = S(t)(1+m_d)) = P_d.$$

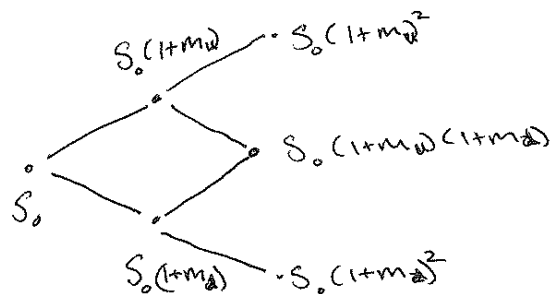
Assume fixed interest rate $r > 0$ so that $m_2 < r < m_1$,
and there is a bond valued @ time t :

$$A(t+1) = (1+r) A(t)$$

$$A(t) = \frac{1}{(1+r)^t} A(0).$$

Illustration of stock price:

for $N=2$.



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Sample space is sequences of u,d "paths"

$$\Omega = \{(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N) : \omega_i = u \text{ or } d \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, N\}$$

for $\omega \in \Omega$

$$S^\omega(t) = S_0 (1 + M_{\omega_1}) \dots (1 + M_{\omega_t})$$

At each time step \mathcal{F}_t represents information filtered up to that time t .

$$\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}; \quad \mathcal{F}_1 = \{\emptyset, A_u, A_d, \Omega\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \{\emptyset, A_u, A_d, A_{uu} \cup A_{dd}, A_{du} \cup A_{ud},$$

$$A_{uu}^c, A_{uu}^c, A_{ud}^c, A_{ud}^c$$

$$A_{du}^c, A_{du}^c, A_{dd}^c, A_{dd}^c, \Omega\}$$

where

$$A_u = \{\omega \in \Omega : \omega_1 = u\}$$

$$A_{uu} = \{\omega \in \Omega : \omega_1 = u; \omega_2 = u\}$$

etc.

The probability measure obtains:

$$P(A_u) = p_u \quad ; \quad P(A_{uu}) = p_u^2 \quad \text{etc.}$$

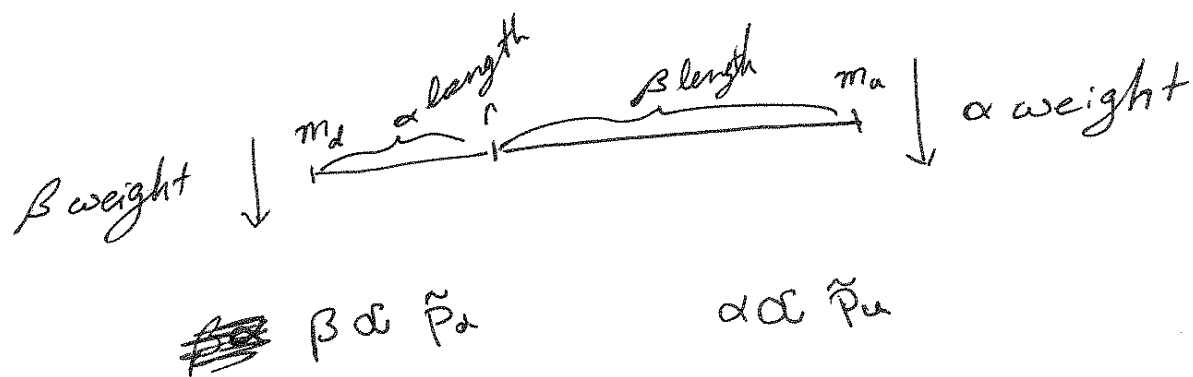
The Risk Neutral Measure.

This measure has the property that the weights of probability 'balance' the movement up or down of the stock price:

$$\tilde{P}_u = \frac{r - m_d}{m_u - m_d} \quad ; \quad \tilde{P}_d = \frac{m_u - r}{m_u - m_d}$$

$$\text{Then } E S(t+1) = (1+r) S(t)$$

Another way to view this, is that the probability weights balance the up/down movement.



α = "proportional to"



I + bears repeating:

The validity of the valuation of the Option by the Risk Neutral Measure is based on ~~the~~ the ability to create a Replicating Portfolio for the Binomial Model.

What is Replicating Portfolio in the N-step model? In this case the portfolio @ $t=n$ depends on outcome at time $t=n$:

Holding @ $t=n$: $x \equiv$ security holding, $y \equiv$ bond holding.

$$x(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n) = x(\underline{\omega}_n) = \frac{C^{\omega_n, u} - C^{\omega_n, d}}{S^{\omega_n, u} - S^{\omega_n, d}}$$

$$y(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n) = y(\underline{\omega}_n) = \frac{C^{\omega_n, d} S^{\omega_n} - C^{\omega_n, u} S^{\omega_n, d}}{A^{(k+1)} (S^{\omega_n, u} - S^{\omega_n, d})}$$

* holdings are path dependent if C is path dependent

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Self Financing: Portfolio (x_k, y_k) is sufficient to purchase (x_{k+1}, y_{k+1}) i.e. at no time step is money added or removed:

$$V(k) = x_{k-1} S_k + y_{k-1} A_k = x_k S_k + y_k A_k.$$

Predictable: holdings @ $t=k$ only depend on info ~~in~~ in \mathcal{F}_k .
(Does not depend on future info)

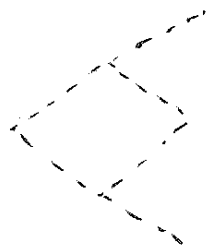
Admissible: The value of the portfolio is never negative: $V(k) \geq 0$ for $k=0, \dots, N$.

Given Option w/ payoff $C(1)$ @ expiry T (4)
~~What~~ what is the value of the option prior to payoff?

As discussed in the 1 step model:

$$C(0) = \frac{1}{1+r} E(C(1)) = \frac{1}{1+r} \{C^u \tilde{p}_u + C^d \tilde{p}_d\}$$

In the 2 step model:



Cover each step of the 2 step model.

$$C_{(1)}^u = \frac{1}{1+r} E(C(2) | A_u) ; C_{(1)}^d = \frac{1}{1+r} E(C(2) | A_d)$$

$$C(0) = \frac{1}{1+r} E C_{(1)} = \frac{1}{1+r} \{C_{(1)}^u \tilde{p}_u + C_{(1)}^d \tilde{p}_d\}$$

\therefore

$$C(0) = \frac{1}{1+r} E C_{(1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+r} \left\{ \tilde{p}_u E\left(\frac{1}{1+r} C(2) | A_u\right) + \tilde{p}_d E\left(\frac{1}{1+r} C(2) | A_d\right) \right\}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1+r}\right)^2 \left\{ \tilde{p}_u^2 C^{uu} + \tilde{p}_u \tilde{p}_d (C^{ud} + C^{du}) + \tilde{p}_d^2 C^{dd} \right\}$$

Ex 5 European Call, (5)

Consider EuroCall on security w/ $S_0 = 80$

return $m_u = .04$, $m_d = .01$ + bond rate $r = .02$

Call has expiry @ $T=2$ + strike price $X=83$.

$$C(x) = (S(x) - X)^+$$

Value @ expiry:

$$C^{uu} = (80(1.04)^2 - 83)^+ = 3.5$$

$$C^{ud} = C^{du} = (80(1.04)(1.01) - 83)^+ = 1.03$$

$$C^{dd} = (80(1.01)^2 - 83)^+ = 0$$

Risk Neutral Probability $\sim \tilde{p}_u = \frac{.02 - .01}{.04 - .01} = \frac{1}{3}$; $\tilde{p}_d = \frac{.04 - .02}{.04 - .01} = \frac{2}{3}$.

Value @ $t=0$

$$C(0) = \frac{1}{(1+r)^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 3.5 + 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)(1.03) + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 0 \right\}$$

$$= .814$$

EC Asian Call -

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Consider an Asian option on the same stock over 2 time steps/ allows holder to purchase the security for $X = 83$ & sell it for the avg price.

$$C(t) = \left(\frac{S(t) + S(2)}{2} - X \right)^+$$

Value @ expiry:

$$C^{uu} = \left(\frac{80(1.04)^2 + 80(1.04)}{2} - 83 \right)^+ = 1.86$$

$$C^{ud} = \left(\frac{80(1.04)(1.01) + 80(1.04)}{2} - 83 \right)^+ = .62$$

$$C^{du} = \left(\frac{80(1.01)(1.04) + 80(1.01)}{2} - 83 \right)^+ = 0$$

$$C^{dd} = \left(\frac{80(1.01)^2 + 80(1.01)}{2} - 83 \right)^+ = 0$$

Value @ $t=0$:

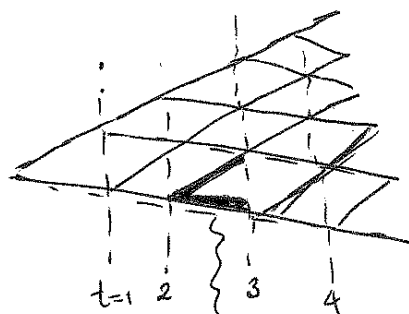
$$C(0) = \frac{1}{1.02} \left\{ \frac{1}{3^2} 1.86 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{2}{3} (.62 + 0) + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 0 \right\}$$

$$= .34$$

Notice the Asian option has much lower variance & is less expensive.

General N step model...

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Each block is priced according to previously discussed rules...

$\therefore A_t$ ~~time~~ time step $t=k$, first k steps are known.

~~let~~ let $\underline{\omega}_k = \omega_1, \dots, \omega_k$ info known at $t=k$

~~In~~ In the language of σ -Alg-

$$A_{\omega_k} = A_{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k} \in \mathcal{F}_k$$

$C^{\omega_k} \equiv$ value of the option @ $t=k$
w/ outcome of 1st k steps.

what is the value?

$$\begin{aligned} C^{\omega_k} &= \frac{1}{1+r} E(C^{(k+1)} | \omega_k) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+r} \left\{ C^{\omega_k, u} \tilde{p}_u + C^{\omega_k, d} \tilde{p}_d \right\} \end{aligned}$$

which we may iterate...

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Thus for N steps...

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{1+r} \{ \tilde{p}_u C^u + \tilde{p}_d C^d \}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+r} \left\{ \tilde{p}_u \frac{1}{1+r} \{ \tilde{p}_u C^{uu} + \tilde{p}_d C^{ud} \} + \tilde{p}_d \frac{1}{1+r} \{ \tilde{p}_u C^{du} + \tilde{p}_d C^{dd} \} \right\}$$

⋮

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{(1+r)^N} \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} C^\omega P(\omega)$$

Notice it is also true that... for any $k < N$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{(1+r)^k} \sum_{\underline{\omega}_k} C^{\underline{\omega}_k} P(A_{\underline{\omega}_k})$$

the sum is over $\underline{\omega}_k \in \Omega_k = \{ \omega_1, \dots, \omega_k : \omega_i = u \text{ or } d \}$.And the value @ $t=k$ is

$$C^{\underline{\omega}_k} = \frac{1}{(1+r)^{N-k}} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Omega \\ \omega_1, \dots, \omega_k = \underline{\omega}_k}} C^\omega P(\omega)$$

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These values hold in the

path dependent case (eg Asian Options)

We can simplify issues in the
path independent case:

That is, let C be the value of an option

so that C^ω only depends on total

of up + down moves ... eg $N=3$ $C^{uud} = C^{udu}$

or, for any permutation σ :

$$C^{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N} = C^{\omega_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \omega_{\sigma(N)}}.$$

$\{\sigma: \{1, \dots, N\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, N\} \text{ so that } \sigma(i) = \sigma(j) \Rightarrow i=j\}$

The # of ω with k moves up + $N-k$ moves down
is given by Binomial Coefficients $\binom{N}{k} = \frac{N!}{k!(N-k)!}$

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Let $C(N; k) \equiv$ value of option @ $t=N$ w/ k steps up

then, from the formula for $C_0 \dots$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{(1+r)^N} \sum_{k=0}^N C(N; k) P\left(\frac{u \dots u}{k} \frac{d \dots d}{N-k}\right) \binom{N}{k}$$
$$= \frac{1}{(1+r)^N} \sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k} \tilde{P}_u^k \tilde{P}_d^{N-k} C(N; k)$$

A similar formula holds for avg over time $n < N$ values -

$C(n; l) \equiv$ value @ $t=n$ w/ l steps up

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n C(n, l) \tilde{P}_u^l \tilde{P}_d^{n-l} \binom{n}{l}$$

And value @ $t=n$:

$$C(n, l) = \frac{1}{(1+r)^{N-n}} \sum_{k=l}^{N-n+l} C(N, k) \tilde{P}_u^{k-l} \tilde{P}_d^{N-n-k} \binom{N-n}{k-l}$$

EUROPEAN CALL

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IN PARTICULAR - The Value of the European Call

may be written as ...

$$C_e(N) = C(N) = (S(N) - X)^+ \quad \text{so it is path independent}$$

$S(N; \omega) \equiv$ value of security @ $t=N$ if there are k steps up

$$S(N; k) = S_0 (1+m_u)^k (1+m_d)^{N-k}$$

$$\therefore C(N, k) = (S(N; k) - X)^+$$

Let $k_0 \equiv \min k$ so that $C(N, k) > 0$
 $\equiv \min k$ so that $S(N, k) > X$.

Then

$$(1+i)^N C_0 = \sum_{k=k_0}^N C(N; k) \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k}$$

$$= \left\{ \sum_{k=k_0}^N S(N; k) \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k} \right\} - X \left\{ \sum_{k=k_0}^N \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k} \right\}$$

$$= \tilde{E} \left[S(N) \chi_{\{S(N) > X\}} \right] - X \tilde{P} \{S(N) > X\}.$$

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European Call - RUBINSTEN FORMULA.

value of k_0 ,

$$S_0 (1+m_u)^{k_0} (1+m_d)^{N-k_0} > X$$

$$\left(\frac{1+m_u}{1+m_d} \right)^{k_0} > \frac{X}{S_0 (1+m_d)^N}$$

$$\therefore k_0 = \left\lceil \frac{\log \frac{X}{S_0 (1+m_d)^N}}{\log \frac{1+m_u}{1+m_d}} \right\rceil$$

re write the value of the Euro Call:

$$C_E^{(0)} = \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right)^N \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left[S_N \chi_{\{S_N > X\}} \right] - X \tilde{P} \{S_N > X\} \right\}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right)^N \sum_{k=k_0}^N S_0 (1+m_u)^k (1+m_d)^{N-k} \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k}$$

$$- \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right)^N X \sum \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k}$$

$$= S_0 \sum_{k=k_0}^N \tilde{q}_u^k \tilde{q}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k} - \frac{X}{(1+r)^N} \sum \tilde{p}_u^k \tilde{p}_d^{N-k} \binom{N}{k}$$

$$\text{w/ } \tilde{q}_u = \tilde{p}_u \frac{1+m_u}{1+r} ; \tilde{q}_d = \tilde{p}_d \left(\frac{1+m_d}{1+r} \right)$$

$(\tilde{q}_u, \tilde{q}_d)$ is a probability measure.

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EURO CALL RUBINSTEIN FORMULA:

Thus:

$$C_E^{\text{Call}} = S_0 \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{q}}(S_N > X) - \frac{X}{(1+r)^N} \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{p}}(S_N > X)$$

or, if $K \equiv \#$ of up steps

$$C_E^{\text{Call}} = S_0 \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{q}}(K \geq k_0) - \frac{X}{(1+r)^N} \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{p}}(K \geq k_0)$$

$$= S_0 \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{q}} \left(\frac{K - \tilde{q}_u N}{(N \tilde{q}_u \tilde{q}_d)^{1/2}} \geq \frac{k_0 - \tilde{q}_u N}{(N \tilde{q}_u \tilde{q}_d)^{1/2}} \right)$$

$$- \frac{X}{(1+r)^N} \mathbb{P}_{\tilde{p}} \left(\frac{K - \tilde{p}_u N}{(N \tilde{p}_u \tilde{p}_d)^{1/2}} \geq \frac{k_0 - \tilde{p}_u N}{(N \tilde{p}_u \tilde{p}_d)^{1/2}} \right)$$

$$\approx S_0 \mathbb{P} \left(Z \geq \frac{k_0 - \tilde{q}_u N}{(N \tilde{q}_u \tilde{q}_d)^{1/2}} \right) - \frac{X}{(1+r)^N} \mathbb{P} \left(Z \geq \frac{k_0 - \tilde{p}_u N}{(N \tilde{p}_u \tilde{p}_d)^{1/2}} \right)$$

For $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

a normal distribution

w/ mean 0 + variance 1.

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EG Consider An option on a stock w/
Expiry $T=1$ year.

Divide 1 year into 100 segments

Compound Interest: @ $r = .05$; $\frac{r}{100} = .0005$

$S_0 = 100$; $m_u = .005$; $m_d = -.001$

What is the value of the Call w/ strike $X = 105$?

$$\hat{p}_u = \frac{\frac{r}{100} + .001}{.005 + .001} = \frac{1}{4} ; \hat{q}_u = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1.005}{1.0005} \right) = .2511$$

$$k_0 = \left\lceil \frac{\log \frac{105}{100(.999)^{100}}}{\log \frac{1.005}{.999}} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{\log 1.16}{\log 1.006} \right\rceil = \lceil 24.78 \rceil$$

$$C_E(0) = S_0 \mathbb{P}(Z \geq \frac{-.11}{4.336}) - \frac{X}{(1.0005)^{100}} \mathbb{P}(Z \geq 0)$$

$$= 100 \mathbb{P}(Z \geq -.02537) - (95.12) \mathbb{P}(Z \geq 0)$$

$$= (100)(.5101) - (95.12)(.5)$$

$$= 3.448$$