

Stochastic Calculus For Finance - volume 2

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Definition 5.4.3.

A probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ is said to be risk-neutral if

- (i) $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ and \mathbb{P} are equivalent (i.e., for every $A \in \mathcal{F}$, $\mathbb{P}(A) = 0$ if and only if $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}(A) = 0$),
- (ii) under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$, the discounted stock price $D(t)S_i(t)$ is a martingale for every $i = 1, \dots, m$.

To make discounted stock prices be martingales, we would like to rewrite (5.4.15) as (5.4.16)

$$d(D(t)S_i(t)) = D(t)S_i(t)[(\alpha_i(t) - R(t)) dt + \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{ij}(t) dW_j(t)] \dots (5.4.15)$$

$$= D(t)S_i(t) \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{ij}(t)[\Theta_j(t) dt + dW_j(t)] \dots (5.4.16)$$

If we can find the **market price of risk processes** $\Theta_j(t)$ (multiple dimensions) that make (5.4.16) hold,

By Girsanov theorem We can construct an equivalent probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ under $\widetilde{W}(t)$

$$\widetilde{W}_j(t) = W_j(t) + \int_0^t \Theta_j(u) du \rightarrow d\widetilde{W}_j(t) = dW_j(t) + \Theta_j(t)dt$$

and we can get $d(D(t)S_i(t)) = D(t)S_i(t) \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{ij}(t) d\widetilde{W}_j(t)$. Hence $D(t)S_i(t)$ is a martingale under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

To find a risk-neutral measure is simply one of finding processes $\Theta_j(t)$ that make (5.4.15) and (5.4.16) agree. Since these equations have the same coefficient multiplying each $dW_j(t)$, they agree if and only if the coefficient multiplying dt is the same in both cases, which means that

$$\alpha_i(t) - R(t) = \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{ij}(t) \Theta_j(t), \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

We call these the **market price of risk equations**. These are m equations in the d unknown processes

$$\Theta(t) = \Theta_1(t), \dots, \Theta_d(t)$$

In the market with stock prices $S_i(t)$ and interest rate process $R(t)$, an agent can begin with initial capital $X(0)$ and choose adapted portfolio processes $\Delta_i(t)$, one for each stock $S_i(t)$. The differential of the agent's portfolio value will then be

$$dX(t) = R(t)X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) (dS_i(t) - R(t)S_i(t) dt) = R(t)X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\Delta_i(t)}{D(t)} d(D(t)S_i(t)).$$

The differential of the discounted portfolio value is

$$d(D(t)X(t)) = D(t)(dX(t) - R(t)X(t) dt) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) d(D(t)S_i(t)).$$

If $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ is a risk-neutral measure, then under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ the processes $D(t)S_i(t)$ are martingales, and hence the process $D(t)X(t)$ must also be a martingale.

Lemma 5.4.5 Let $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ be a risk-neutral measure, and let $X(t)$ be the value of a portfolio.

Under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$, the discounted portfolio value $D(t)X(t)$ is a martingale.

投組價值 (單一股票) $dX(t) = \Delta(t) dS(t) + R(t) [X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t)] dt$

m 支股票 $dX(t) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) dS_i(t) + R(t) [X(t) - \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) S_i(t)] dt$

$$= R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) [dS_i(t) - R(t) S_i(t) dt]$$

$$= R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\Delta_i(t)}{D(t)} d[D(t) S_i(t)]$$

★ 貼現因子: $dD(t) = -R(t) D(t) dt$

$$d[D(t) S_i(t)] = dD(t) S_i(t) + D(t) dS_i(t)$$

$$= D(t) dS_i(t) - R(t) D(t) S_i(t) dt$$

同除 $D(t) \rightarrow dS_i(t) - R(t) S_i(t) dt = \frac{1}{D(t)} d[D(t) S_i(t)]$

$$d(D(t) X(t)) = dD(t) X(t) + D(t) dX(t)$$

$$= -R(t) D(t) X(t) dt + D(t) \left\{ R(t) X(t) dt + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\Delta_i(t)}{D(t)} d[D(t) S_i(t)] \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) d[D(t) S_i(t)]$$

Definition 5.4.6.

An arbitrage is a portfolio value process $X(t)$ satisfying $X(0) = 0$ and also satisfying for some time $T > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}\{X(T) \geq 0\} = 1, \quad \mathbb{P}\{X(T) > 0\} > 0.$$

In other words, there exists an arbitrage if and only if there is a way to start with $X(0)$ and at a later time T have a portfolio value satisfying

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{X(T) \geq \frac{X(0)}{D(T)}\right\} = 1, \quad \mathbb{P}\left\{X(T) > \frac{X(0)}{D(T)}\right\} > 0.$$

Theorem 5.4.7 (First fundamental theorem of asset pricing).

If a market model has a risk-neutral probability measure, then it does not admit arbitrage.

proof:

If a market model has a risk-neutral probability measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$, by **Lemma 5.4.5** every discounted portfolio value process is a martingale under $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$. In particular, every portfolio value process satisfies $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)X(T)] = X(0)$. Let $X(t)$ be a portfolio value process with $X(0) = 0$. Then we have $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)X(T)] = 0$.

Suppose $X(T)$ satisfies $\mathbb{P}\{X(T) > 0\} > 0$. Since $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ is equivalent to \mathbb{P} , we have also $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}\{X(T) > 0\} > 0$. Then $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)X(T)] > 0$ contradicts with $\widetilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)X(T)] = 0$. Hence, $X(t)$ is not an arbitrage. In fact, there cannot exist an arbitrage since every portfolio value process $X(t)$ satisfying $X(0) = 0$ cannot be an arbitrage.

5.4.4 Uniqueness of the Risk-Neutral Measure

Definition 5.4.8.

A market model is complete if every derivative security can be hedged.

Suppose we have a market model with a filtration generated by a d -dimensional Brownian motion and with a risk-neutral measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$, used the resulting market prices of risk $\Theta_1(t), \dots, \Theta_d(t)$ to define the Radon-Nikodym derivative process $Z(t)$, and have changed to the measure $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}$ under which $\widetilde{W}(t)$ defined by (5.4.2) is a d -dimensional Brownian motion).

Suppose further that we are given an $\mathcal{F}(T)$ – measurable random variable $V(T)$, which is the payoff of some derivative security. $V(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} [e^{-\int_t^T R(u) du} V(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)]$, $0 \leq t \leq T$ satisfies

$$D(t) V(t) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}} [D(T) V(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)] = V(0) + \sum_{j=1}^d \int_0^t \widetilde{\Gamma}_j(u) d\widetilde{W}_j(u)$$

by (5.4.22) and (5.4.17),

$$d(D(t)X(t)) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) d(D(t)S_i(t)) = \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) D(t)S_i(t) \sigma_{ij}(t) d\widetilde{W}_j(t),$$

or, equivalently, $D(t)X(t) = X(0) + \sum_{j=1}^d \int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(u) D(u)S_i(u) \sigma_{ij}(u) d\widetilde{W}_j(u),$

to hedge the short position, we should take $X(0) = V(0)$ and choose the portfolio processes $\Delta_1(t), \dots, \Delta_m(t)$ so that the hedging equations

$$\frac{\widetilde{\Gamma}_j(t)}{D(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) S_i(t) \sigma_{ij}(t), j = 1, \dots, d$$

are satisfied. These are d equations in m unknown processes $\Delta_1(t), \dots, \Delta_m(t)$

Theorem 5.4.9 (Second fundamental theorem of asset pricing).

Consider a market model that has a risk-neutral probability measure. The model is complete if and only if the risk-neutral probability measure is unique.

proof:

\Rightarrow) Assume that the model is complete. We wish to show that there can be only one risk-neutral measure. Suppose the model has two risk-neutral measures, $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_1$ and $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_2$. Let A be a set in \mathcal{F} , consider the derivative security with payoff $V(T) = \mathbb{1}_A \frac{1}{D(T)}$. Because the model is complete, a short position in this derivative security can be hedged. Since both $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_1$ and $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_2$ are risk-neutral, the discounted portfolio value process $D(t)X(t)$ is a martingale under both $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_1$ and $\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_2$. It follows that

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_1(A) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_1[D(T)V(T)] = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_1[D(T)X(T)] = X(0) = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_2[D(T)X(T)] = \widetilde{\mathbb{E}}_2[D(T)V(T)] = \widetilde{\mathbb{P}}_2(A).$$

proof:

\Leftrightarrow) Suppose there is only one risk-neutral measure. implies that the market price of risk equations (5.4.18) have only one solution $\Theta_1(t), \dots, \Theta_d(t)$

For fixed t and w , these equations are of the form $\alpha_i(t) - R(t) = \sum_{j=1}^d \sigma_{ij}(t) \Theta_j(t), \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11}(t) & \sigma_{12}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{1d}(t) \\ \sigma_{21}(t) & \sigma_{22}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{2d}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{m1}(t) & \sigma_{m2}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{md}(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Theta_1(t) \\ \Theta_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \Theta_d(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1(t) - R(t) \\ \alpha_2(t) - R(t) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m(t) - R(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

In order to be assured that every derivative security can be hedged (Def: complete), we must be able to solve the hedging equations (5.4.29) for $\Delta_1(t), \dots, \Delta_m(t)$

$$\frac{\widetilde{\Gamma}_j(t)}{D(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^m \Delta_i(t) S_i(t) \sigma_{ij}(t), \quad j = 1, \dots, d.$$

proof:

no matter what values of $\frac{\widetilde{\Gamma}(t)}{D(t)}$

$D(t)$ appear on the left-hand side. For fixed t and w , the hedging equations are of the

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11}(t) & \sigma_{12}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{1d}(t) \\ \sigma_{21}(t) & \sigma_{22}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{2d}(t) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{m1}(t) & \sigma_{m2}(t) & \cdots & \sigma_{md}(t) \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_1(t) S_1(t) \\ \Delta_2(t) S_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ \Delta_m(t) S_m(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{\Gamma}_1(t)/D(t) \\ \widetilde{\Gamma}_2(t)/D(t) \\ \vdots \\ \widetilde{\Gamma}_d(t)/D(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

In order to be assured that the market is complete, there must be a solution to the system of equations. The uniqueness of the solution to (5.4.30) implies the existence of a solution y to (5.4.32). Consequently, uniqueness of the risk-neutral measure implies that the market model is complete.