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Section 5.5.1 Continuously Paying Dividend

- A stock, modeled as a **generalized geometric Brownian motion**
- Stock pays dividends continuously over time at a rate $A(t)$ per unit time
- $A(t), 0 \leq t \leq T$, is a nonnegative adapted process

Dividends paid by a stock reduce its value, and so we shall take as our model of the stock price

$$dS(t) = \alpha(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t) - A(t)S(t)dt$$

An agent who holds the stock receives both the capital gain or loss due to stock price movements and the continuously paying dividend. Thus, if $\Delta(t)$ is the number of shares held at time t , then the portfolio value $X(t)$ satisfies

$$dX(t) = \Delta(t)dS(t) + \Delta(t)A(t)S(t)dt + R(t)[X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t)]dt$$

The mean rate of return $\alpha(t)$, the volatility $\sigma(t)$, and the interest rate $R(t)$ are assumed to be adapted process

$$= R(t)X(t)dt + (\alpha(t) - R(t))\Delta(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)\Delta(t)S(t)dW(t)$$

$$= R(t)X(t)dt + \Delta(t)S(t)\sigma(t)[\Theta(t)dt + dW(t)],$$

where $\Theta(t) = \frac{\alpha(t) - R(t)}{\sigma(t)}$ is the usual market price of risk

We define $\tilde{W}(t) = W(t) + \int_0^t \Theta(u)du$, and use Girsanov's Theorem to change to a measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ under which \tilde{W} is a Brownian motion

$$dX(t) = R(t)X(t)dt + \Delta(t)S(t)\sigma(t)d\tilde{W}(t)$$

The discounted portfolio value $D(t)X(t)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} d[D(t)X(t)] &= XdD + DdX + dDdX \\ &= \cancel{X(-RDdt)} + \cancel{D(RXdt + \Delta S\sigma d\tilde{W})} + \underline{(-RDdt)(RXdt + \Delta S\sigma d\tilde{W})} \\ &= D(t)\Delta(t)S(t)\sigma(t)d\tilde{W}(t) \quad \text{(no drift term)} \quad =0 \end{aligned}$$

$$D(t) = e^{-\int_0^t R(u)du}$$

\Rightarrow Under the risk-neutral measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, the discounted portfolio process is a martingale.

If we now wish to hedge a short position in a derivative security paying $V(T)$ at time T , where $V(T)$ is an $\mathcal{F}(T)$ -measurable random variable, we will need to choose the initial capital $X(0)$ and the portfolio process $\Delta(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq T$, so that $X(T) = V(T)$. Because $D(t)X(t)$ is a martingale under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, we must have

$$D(t)X(t) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)V(T) \mid \mathcal{F}(t)], 0 \leq t \leq T$$

The value $X(t)$ of this portfolio at each time t is the value (price) of the derivative security at that time, which we denote by $V(t)$. Making this replacement in the formula above, we obtain the risk-neutral pricing formula

$$D(t)V(t) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)V(T) \mid \mathcal{F}(t)], 0 \leq t \leq T$$

Same as risk-neutral pricing formula (5.2.30) in the case of no dividends. Furthermore, conditions that guarantee that a short position can be hedged, and hence risk-neutral pricing is fully justified, are the same as in the no-dividend case. (Section 5.3).

$$dS(t) = \alpha(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t) - A(t)S(t)dt$$

$$dS(t) = [R(t) - A(t)]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\tilde{W}(t) = [\alpha(t) - A(t)]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t)$$

By Girsanov's thm : $d\tilde{W} = dW + \theta(t)dt$

$$= [\alpha(t) - A(t)]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)[d\tilde{W} - \theta(t)dt]$$

$$= [\alpha(t) - A(t) - \sigma(t)\theta(t)]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\tilde{W}(t)$$

$$= [\alpha(t) - A(t) - \sigma(t)\frac{\alpha(t) - R(t)}{\sigma(t)}]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\tilde{W}(t)$$

$$= [R(t) - A(t)]S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\tilde{W}(t)$$

Under the risk-neutral measure, the stock does not have mean rate of return $R(t)$, and consequently the discounted stock price is not a martingale.

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp \left\{ \int_0^t \sigma(u)d\tilde{W}(u) + \int_0^t \left[R(t) - A(t) - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(u) \right] du \right\}$$

$$D(t) = e^{-\int_0^t R(u)du}$$

$$e^{\int_0^t A(u)du} D(t)S(t) = S(0) \exp \left\{ \int_0^t \sigma(u)d\tilde{W}(u) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \sigma^2(u)du \right\}$$

This is a martingale. This is the interest-rate-discounted value at time t of an account that initially purchases **one share of the stock and continuously reinvests the dividends in the stock.**

Section 5.5.2 Continuously Paying Dividend with Constant Coefficients

In the event that the volatility σ , the interest rate r , and the dividend rate a are constant, the stock price at time t is

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp \left\{ \sigma \tilde{W}(t) + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) t \right\}$$

For $0 \leq t \leq T$, we have

$$S(T) = S(0) \exp \left\{ \sigma \tilde{W}(T) + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) T \right\}$$

$$\frac{S(T)}{S(t)} = \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t) \right) + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (T - t) \right\}$$

$$S(T) = S(t) \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t) \right) + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (T - t) \right\}$$

According to the risk-neutral pricing formula, the price at time t of a European call expiring at time T with strike K is

$$V(t) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[e^{-r(T-t)}(S(T) - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}(t)]$$

Let $x = S(t), \tau = T - t$

$$c(t, x) = \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-r\tau} \left(x \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t) \right) + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) \tau \right\} - K \right)^+ \right]$$

$$= \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[e^{-r\tau} \left(x \exp \left\{ \sigma Y \sqrt{\tau} + \left(r - a - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) \tau \right\} - K \right)^+ \right],$$

$$Y = \frac{\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t)}{\sqrt{T - t}}$$

Y is a standard normal random variable under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$.

We define

$$d_{\pm}(\tau, x) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{\tau}} \left[\log \frac{x}{K} + \left(r - a \pm \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) \tau \right]$$

Then a European call is

$$c(t, x) = e^{-a\tau} x N(d_+(\tau, x)) - K e^{-r\tau} N(d_-(\tau, x))$$

Section 5.5.3 Lump Payments of Dividends

Consider the case when the dividend is paid **in lumps**

- There are times $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n < T$ and, at each time t_j , the dividend paid is $a_j S(t_j-)$, where $S(t_j-)$ denotes the stock price just prior to the dividend payment.
- The stock price after the dividend payment is the stock price before the dividend payment less the dividend payment ;

$$S(t_j) = S(t_j -) - a_j S(t_j -) = (1 - a_j) S(t_j -)$$

We assume that each a_j is an $F(t_j) - measurable$ random variable taking values in $[0,1]$. If $a_j = 0$, no dividend is paid at time t_j . If $a_j = 1$, the full value of the stock is paid as a dividend at time t_j and the stock value is zero thereafter. To simplify the notation, we set $t_0 = 0$ and $t_{n+1} = T$. However, neither $t_0 = 0$ nor $t_{n+1} = T$ is a dividend payment date (i.e., $a_0 = 0$ and $a_{n+1} = 0$). We assume that, between dividend payment dates, the stock price follows a generalized geometric Brownian motion:

$$dS(t) = \alpha(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)dW(t), t_j \leq t < t_{j+1}, j = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Between dividend payment dates, the differential of the portfolio value corresponding to a portfolio process $\Delta(t)$, $0 < t < T$, is

$$\begin{aligned} dX(t) &= \Delta(t)dS(t) + R(t)[X(t) - \Delta(t)S(t)]dt \\ &= R(t)X(t)dt + (\alpha(t) - R(t))\Delta(t)S(t)dt + \sigma(t)\Delta(t)S(t)dW(t) \\ &= R(t)X(t)dt + \Delta(t)S(t)\sigma(t)[\Theta(t)dt + dW(t)], \end{aligned}$$

where $\Theta(t) = \frac{\alpha(t) - R(t)}{\sigma(t)}$ is the usual market price of risk

At the dividend payment dates, the value of the portfolio stock holdings drops by $a_j\Delta(t_j)S(t_j-)$, but the portfolio collects the dividend $a_j\Delta(t_j)S(t_j-)$, and so the portfolio value does not jump. It follows that

$$dX(t) = R(t)X(t)dt + \Delta(t)S(t)\sigma(t)[\Theta(t)dt + dW(t)]$$

is the correct formula for the evolution of the portfolio value at all times t .

Section 5.5.4 Lump Payments of Dividends with Constant Coefficients

We price a European call under the assumption that σ , r , and each a_j are constant.

$$\begin{aligned}dS(t) &= \alpha S(t)dt + \sigma S(t)dW(t) \\ \text{By Girsanov's thm : } d\tilde{W} &= dW + \theta(t)dt \\ &= \alpha S(t)dt + \sigma S(t) [d\tilde{W}(t) - \theta(t)dt] \\ &= [\alpha S(t) - \sigma S(t)\theta(t)]dt + \sigma S(t)d\tilde{W}(t) \\ &= [\alpha S(t) - \sigma S(t)\frac{\alpha-r}{\sigma}]dt + \sigma S(t)d\tilde{W}(t) \\ &= r S(t)dt + \sigma S(t)d\tilde{W}(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$dS(t) = rS(t)dt + \sigma(t)S(t)d\tilde{W}(t), t_j \leq t < t_{j+1}, j = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Therefore,

$$S(t_{j+1}-) = S(t_j) \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{W}(t_j) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (t_{j+1} - t_j) \right\}$$

From $S(t_{j+1}) = (1 - a_{j+1})S(t_{j+1}-)$, we can see that

$$S(t_{j+1}) = (1 - a_{j+1})S(t_j) \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{W}(t_j) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (t_{j+1} - t_j) \right\}$$

$$\frac{S(t_{j+1})}{S(t_j)} = (1 - a_{j+1}) \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{W}(t_j) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (t_{j+1} - t_j) \right\}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{S(T)}{S(0)} = \frac{S(t_{n+1})}{S(0)} = \prod_{j=0}^n \frac{S(t_{j+1})}{S(t_j)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \prod_{j=0}^n \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{W}(t_j) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (t_{j+1} - t_j) \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ \cancel{\sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_1) - \tilde{W}(t_0) \right)} + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) \cancel{(t_1 - t_0)} + \cancel{\sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_2) - \tilde{W}(t_1) \right)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) \cancel{(t_2 - t_1)} + \dots + \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t_n) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (T - t_n) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \prod_{j=0}^n (1 - a_{j+1}) \exp \left\{ \sigma \left(\tilde{W}(t_{j+1}) - \tilde{W}(t_j) \right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) (t_{j+1} - t_j) \right\}$$

$$S(T) = S(0) \prod_{j=0}^n (1 - a_{j+1}) \exp \left\{ \sigma \tilde{W}(T) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) T \right\}$$

This is the same formula we would have for the price at time T of a geometric Brownian motion not paying dividends if the initial stock price were $S(0) \prod_{j=0}^n (1 - a_{j+1})$ rather than $S(0)$.

Therefore, the price at time zero of a European call on this dividend paying asset, a call that expires at time T with strike price K. The call price is

$$S(0) \prod_{j=0}^n (1 - a_{j+1}) N(d_+) - K e^{-r\tau} N(d_-)$$

$$d_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} \left[\log \frac{S(0)}{K} + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \log(1 - a_{j+1}) + \left(r \pm \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) T \right]$$

Section 5.6.1 Forward Contract

In this section, we assume there is a unique risk-neutral measure $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, and all assets satisfy the risk-neutral pricing formula.

- Let $S(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq \bar{T}$, be an asset price process
- Let $R(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq \bar{T}$, be an interest rate process.
- Choose here some large time \bar{T} , and all bonds and derivative securities we consider will mature or expire at or before time \bar{T} .
- Define the discount process $D(t) = e^{-\int_0^t R(u)du}$

According to the risk-neutral pricing formula, the price at time t of a zero-coupon bond paying 1 at time T is $B(t, T) = \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)|\mathcal{F}(t)]$, $0 \leq t \leq T \leq \bar{T}$

This pricing formula guarantees that **no arbitrage** can be found by trading in these bonds because **any such portfolio, when discounted, will be a martingale under the risk-neutral measure.**

Definition 5.6.1. A forward contract is an agreement to pay a specified delivery price K at a delivery date T , where $0 \leq t \leq T$, for the asset whose price at time t is $S(t)$. The T -forward price $For_S(t, T)$ of this asset at time t , where $0 \leq t \leq T \leq \bar{T}$, is the value of K that makes the forward contract have no-arbitrage price zero at time t .

Theorem 5.6.2. Assume that zero-coupon bonds of all maturities can be traded. Then

$$For_S(t, T) = \frac{S(t)}{B(t, T)}, 0 \leq t \leq \bar{T} \quad (5.6.2)$$

Proof. Suppose that at time t an agent sells the forward contract with delivery date T and delivery price K . Suppose further that the value K is chosen so that the forward contract has price zero at time t . Then selling the forward contract generates no income. Having sold the forward contract at time t , suppose the agent immediately shorts $\frac{S(t)}{B(t, T)}$ zero-coupon bonds and uses the income $S(t)$ generated to buy one share of the asset. The agent then does no further trading until time T , at which time she owns one share of the asset, which she delivers according to the forward contract. In exchange, she receives K . After covering the short bond position, she is left with $K - \frac{S(t)}{B(t, T)}$. If this is positive, the agent has found an arbitrage. If it is negative, the agent could instead have taken the opposite position, going long the forward, long the T -maturity bond, and short the asset, to again achieve an arbitrage. In order to preclude arbitrage, K must be given by (5.6.2).

Remark 5.6.3. The proof of Theorem 5.6.2 does not use the notion of risk-neutral pricing. It shows that the forward price must be given by (5.6.2) in order to preclude arbitrage. Because we have assumed the existence of a risk-neutral measure and are pricing all assets by the risk-neutral pricing formula, we must be able to obtain (5.6.2) from the risk-neutral pricing formula as well. Indeed, using (5.2.30), (5.6.1), and the fact that the discounted asset price is a martingale under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$, we compute the price at time t of the forward contract to be

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)(S(T) - K) | \mathcal{F}(t)] \\ &= \frac{1}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T)S(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)] - \frac{K}{D(t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[D(T) | \mathcal{F}(t)] \\ &= S(t) - KB(t, T) \end{aligned}$$

In order for this to be zero, K must be given by (5.6.2).