

Course Information

Financial Engineering and Computations

Preliminaries

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- Suggested reading:
 - Financial Engineering & Computation: Principles, Mathematics, Algorithms. Cambridge University Press, 2002. Lyuu, Yuh-Dauh
 - C++財務程式設計,證基會2005戴天時

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What is Financial Engineering

Financial engineering is the process of tailoring financial instruments and organizational structure to improve the profitability of intermediaries' customers.

財務工程的兩個要旨

1. 金融創新
2. 滿足顧客需求

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Why Financial Engineering

1. 價格波動性增加
2. 金融市場的全球化
3. 租稅的不對稱性
4. 科技的進步
5. 管制放鬆及競爭增加

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價格波動性增加

- **Black Monday:** Monday October 19, 1987.
 - Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 22.6%, the largest one-day decline in recorded stock market history.
- 價格大幅波動影響公司及個人的財務,甚至導致破產

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價格波動性增加 An Example

以Laker Airlines公司為例，1970年代因英鎊強勢，英國人到美國渡假的人很多，班機因此經常客滿，Laker Airlines於是購5架DC-10客機。其收入為英鎊，購機支出則為美金。1980年代，美金升值，Laker Airlines 因匯兌損失大筆資金。

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價格波動性增加

- 如何規避價格風險實屬必須
- 財務工程提供了規避價格風險的解答
- A short example for risk management will be given later.

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金融市場的全球化

- 多國籍企業的影響力日增
- 市場改革開放
- 全球產業分工

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租稅的不對稱性

- 某些產業在租稅優惠(e.g. 高科技產業、生化產業、孤兒藥製造商)
- 不同國家有不同租稅負擔(e.g. 福利國家(如北歐國家)的稅率通常較高)

租稅的不對稱性 An Example

分析：

無tax asymmetry時 \Leftrightarrow do not make sense(借款10%，得8%)

tax asymmetry存在時 \Leftrightarrow

借款的effective rate $=10\% \times (1-40\%)=6\%$

特別股收益的effective rate $=8\% \times (1-20\% \times 40\%)=7.36\%$

租稅的不對稱性 An Example

例：在美國利息收入是必須完全課稅(taxable)的，但在股利收入則可抵免80%。若A公司稅率40%，A公司的借款利率10%，B公司特別股股利率8%，此時A公司應借錢(e.g. 10millions)買B公司特別股。

租稅的不對稱性 An Example

進一步分析：

若B公司的稅率為12%，則A公司可以直接向B公司借錢，B公司發行8%特別股賣給A公司。

B公司的benefits = 利息收益 - 特別股利支出 $=10\% \times (1-12\%)-8\% = 0.8\%$

A公司的benefits $=7.36\%-6\% = 1.36\%$

科技的進步

- 電腦、通訊、軟體技術影響最大
- 程序創新上常見(e.g. ATM, e-trading)
- Program trading

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管制放鬆及競爭增加

- 產業開放、業務開放(e.g. 加入WTO)
- 提供客戶多樣化服務

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A Short Story to Introduce Risk Management

- Foreign exchange rate:
 - The exchange rate between the domestic currency and the foreign currency.
- An example:
 - Sell 1 USD
 - 32.97190 TWDs
 - Buy 1 USD
 - 33.78860 TWDs

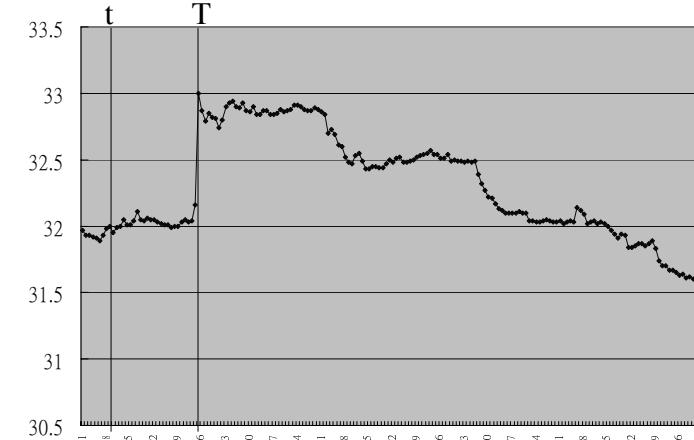
美商花旗銀行
台幣對外幣匯率表

幣 別	代 號	買 入 汇 率	賣 出 汇 率
澳幣	AUD	25.11950	25.69000
加拿大幣	CAD	24.87430	25.25630
瑞士法郎	CHF	26.30620	26.67230
美金現鈔	CSH	32.97190	33.78860

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The exchange rate between TWDs and USDs (between 99'1~99'8)



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What Exchange Rate Changes Could Influence

- A Speculator:
 - The USD can be viewed as a stock.
 - A speculator tries to buy at low and sell at high.
 - Ex: Buy at time t with 32 (TWDs/USD), and sell at T with 33.
- Import / Export:
 - A contract is usually quoted in USDs.
 - Assume a 1-million-USD contract is signed at t and the deal is settled at T.
 - An exporter gains as he earns 1 more million TWDs.
 - An importer suffers as he needs to pay one more million TWDs.

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A Financial Derivatives (Foreign Exchange Call Option)

- The exchange rate at time s is denoted as X_s .
- Consider a call option as follows:
 - It starts at time t and matures at time T.
 - The strike price is K.
 - That is, the call option allows the holder to buy the underlying asset with price K.
- An example: (Assume $K=X_t$ for convenience.)
 - An option buyer give P (option price) to the seller at t.
 - P is usually much smaller than X_t .
 - At T, Seller should pay $\max(X_T - X_t, 0)$ to the buyer.

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What does this Option Appeal to?

- A speculator:
 - He earns money by predicting the future.
 - Buy USD at t and sell at T.
 - Earns $(33-32)/33 = 3\%$.
 - Buy an exchange rate call option
 - Earns $(33-32)/P >> 3\%$ (As we know $P \ll 32$)
 - Maximum loss: P dollars.
 - (High leverage) A speculator would like to buy a call option for higher return.

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What does this Option Appeal to?

- Importer may want to avoid the exchange rate risk.
 - Consider 1-million-USD contract mentioned before.
 - Exchange rate $32 \Rightarrow 33$
 - One more million TWDs is required to buy the USDs.
 - If the importer buy one million units call options.
 - At maturity, he receives $(33-32) * 1 \text{ million}$
 - His loss is covered by the gain of the option.
 - We call this “*hedge*” .

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Review of the Above Mentioned Option

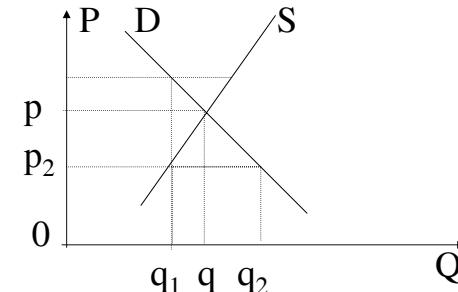
- Initiates at time t , and matures at time T .
- The strike price is X_t (32).
- At time t , the option buyer will pay P to get the option.
- At time T , the option seller needs to pay $\max(X_T - X_t, 0)$ to buyer.
- How can we determine the fair price of P .

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How to Determine the Option Price Economics

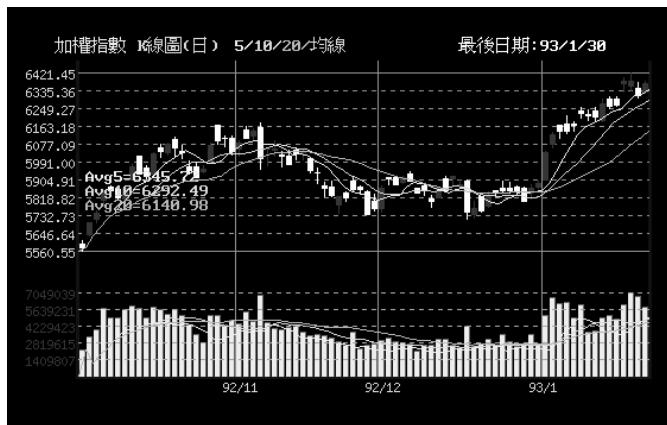
- The price is determined by the intersection of demand and the supply curves.



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How to Determine the Option Price (技術指標)

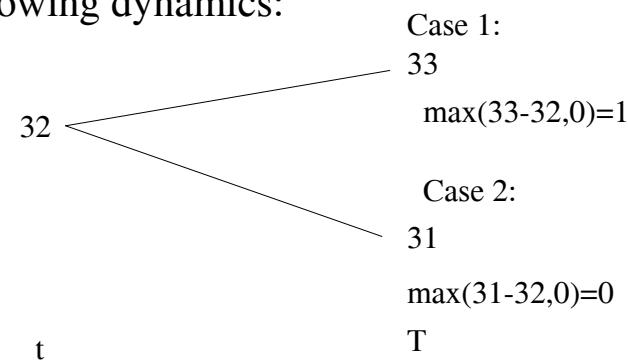


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How to Determine the Option Price (Arbitrage-Free Pricing Theorem)

- Assume that the exchange rate follows the following dynamics:



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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

Replicate the Option

- Replicate: Construct a portfolio so that it has the same payoff as the option in the future.
- This call option can be replicated as follows:
 - We buy x TWDs and y USDs at time t
 - We hope that this portfolio generates the same payoff as the option at time T .
 - At case 1: $x + 33y = 1$
 - At case 2: $x + 31y = 0$
 - Solve the equations, we have $x=-15.5$, $y=0.5$

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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

Introduction of Arbitrage

- Arbitrage: A trading that get ***extra returns*** without suffering risk.
 - Counter example:
 - Deposit: Earn normal return risklessly.
 - Gamble: Earn extra return by taking risk.
 - Example:
 - Cheat in gamble: In the case that you are sure to win.
- Arbitrage opportunity is assumed not to exist for long in the financial market.

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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

Replicate the Option and Determine the Option Price

- A foreign exchange option can be constructed as follows:
 - Borrow 15.5 TWDs,
 - Buy 0.5 USDs.
 - The total cost= $-15.5+0.5*32=0.5$ (TWDs)
- At case 1:
 - The value of portfolio= $-15.5+0.5*33=1$ (TWDs)
- At case 2:
 - The Value of portfolio= $-15.5+0.5*31=0$ (TWDs)
- Can we say the value of the option is 0.5 (TWDs)?

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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

Condition of Arbitrage Opportunity

- Arbitrage opportunity exists if the option value is ***not*** 0.5 TWDs.
- Let the option value $P>0.5$.
 - Sell a call option for P dollars.
 - Construct a replication portfolio
 - Borrow 15.5 TWDs and buy 0.5 USDs.
 - Benefit at time $t = P - 0.5 > 0$.
 - No loss will be introduced at either case.

	TWDs	USDs	Option	Total
Case 1	-15.5	33/2	-1	0
Case 2	-15.5	31/2	0	0

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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

Determine the Option Value by No Arbitrage Assumption

- Similar case is applied for the case option value $P < 0.5$

- Buy a call option for P dollars.
- Construct a replication portfolio
 - Borrow 0.5 USDs and buy 15.5 TWDs
 - Benefit at time $t = 0.5 - P > 0$.
 - No loss will be introduced at either case.

	TWDs	USDs	Option	Total
Case 1	15.5	-33/2	1	0
Case 2	15.5	-31/2	0	0

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Arbitrage-Based Pricing Theorem

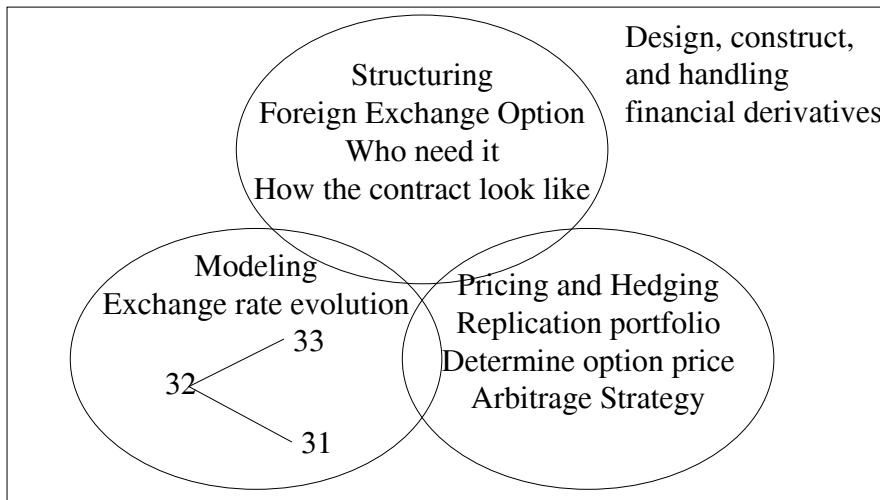
Determine the Option Value by No Arbitrage Assumption

- Since the arbitrage opportunity exists if $P > 0.5$ or $P < 0.5$, the option value should be 0.5 in this case.
- Details for option pricing will be introduced later.

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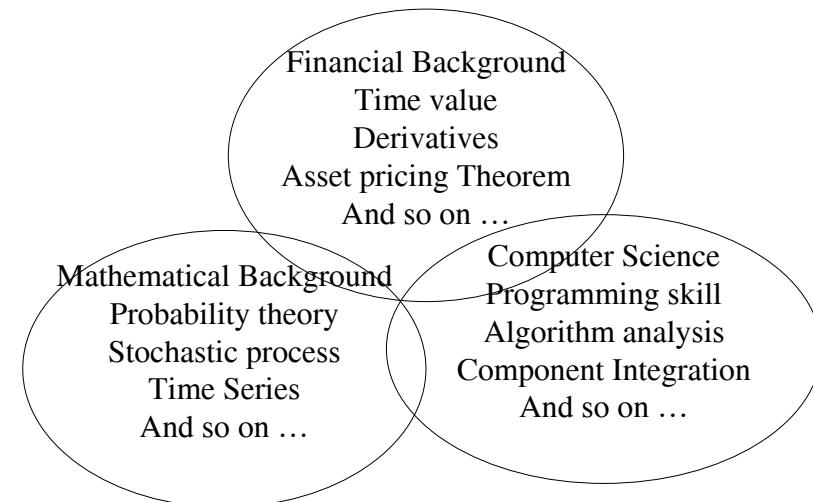
A Simple Overview of Financial Engineering



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What Knowledge is Involved



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Job Opportunity

- Risk management
 - Risk control
 - Programming and system maintenance
- Trading
 - Trading and hedging the financial assets
- Structuring
 - Design new derivatives and its trading strategies.

What This Course Might Teach

- Financial background knowledge
 - Designed for beginner.
- Basic mathematical background
 - Knowledge involved in the pricing model.
- Learn to use existing packages.
<http://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~lyuu/Capitals/capitals.htm>
- Computer science
 - Numerical pricing model and special skills,
- Team work
 - A team of members from different background.