

Problem Set: B&S, Solutions

Black and Scholes formula for the call:

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &= \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}, \\d_2 &= \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S_t}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)(T-t)}{\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}, \\N(d_1) &= \\N(d_2) &= \\C &= S_t N(d_1) - X e^{-r(T-t)} N(d_2).\end{aligned}$$

Numerical formulae:

Question 1:

$$S = 52$$

$$X = 50$$

$$r = 0.12$$

$$\sigma = 0.09$$

$$T = 0.25$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma^2 = (0.09)^2 = 0.0081$$

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$N(d_1)$

$N(d_2)$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}}, \text{ or } d_2 = 0.53647 - \sqrt{\sigma T}$$

$$N_1 = 0.7$$

$$N_2 = 0.652$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$$d_2 = 0.38647 : d_1 = 0.53647:$$

$$C = 4.7635$$

Question 2:

$C = 2.5$
 $S = 15$
 $X = 13$
 $r = 0.05$
 $\sigma = 0.09$ $\sigma = 0.3$ $\sigma^2 = 0.09$
 $T = 0.25$

$T-t$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{X}) + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}}, \rightarrow T-t$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{X}) + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$N_1 = 0.8413$$

$$N_2 = 0.8315$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$N(d_1)$

$N(d_2)$

$\sigma = 0.3$

$C = 1.9443$ $d_2 = 0.96234$ $d_1 = 1.1123$

but we want $C = 2.5$

We should increase σ

$\sigma = 0.16$ $\sigma = 0.4$ $\sigma^2 = (0.4)^2 = 0.16$

σ^2

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 $S = 15$
 $X = 13$
 $r = 0.05$
 $\sigma = 0.16$ $\sigma = 0.4$ $\sigma^2 = 0.16$
 $T = 0.25$

σ^2

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{X}) + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S}{X}) + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$N_1 = 0.8106$$

$$N_2 = 0.7517$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$C = 2.5083$ $d_2 = 0.678$ $d_1 = 0.878$

σ
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We should decrease σ
 $\sigma = 0.1225$ $\sigma = 0.35$ $\sigma^2 = (0.35)^2 = 0.1225$

$C = 2.5$
 $S = 15$
 $X = 13$
 $r = 0.05$
 $\sigma = 0.1225$ $\sigma = 0.35$ $\sigma^2 = 0.1225$
 $T = 0.25$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$
$$d_2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$
$$N_1 = 0.8365$$
$$N_2 = 0.7881$$
$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$\sigma = 0.35$

$C = 2.4295$; $d_2 = 0.80165$; $d_1 = 0.97665$
So the implied volatility is between 0.35 and 0.40.]

Question 3:

$$S = 30$$

$$X = 29$$

$$r = 0.05$$

$$\sigma = 0.0625 \quad \sigma = 0.25 \quad \sigma^2 = (0.25)^2 = 0.0625$$

$$T = 0.3$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$N_1 = 0.6628$$

$$N_2 = 0.6141$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$$: C = 2.3402 : d_2 = 0.28866 : d_1 = 0.42559$$

The price for the American call is the same.

The price of the put, using the put-call parity is:

$$P = C + Xe^{-r(T)} - S$$

$$: P = 0.90845$$

Question 4:

$$S = 40$$

$$X = 40$$

$$r = 0.05$$

$$\sigma = 0.04 \quad \sigma = 0.20 \quad \sigma^2 = (0.20)^2 = 0.04$$

$$T = 0.0833$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sqrt{\sigma T}},$$

$$N_1 = 0.5398$$

$$N_2 = 0.5$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2.$$

$$C = 1.675 \quad d_2 = 4.3293 \times 10^{-2} \quad d_1 = 0.10102$$

Using the put-call parity, the price of the put is:

$$P = C + Xe^{-r(T)} - S$$

$$P = 1.5088$$

The price of the call exceeds the price of the put because:

$Xe^{-r(T)} = 39.834$ is less than the price of the stock $S = 40$.

Alternatively, the price of the put can be calculated as:

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sigma\sqrt{T}},$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S}{X}\right) + \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma\right)(T)}{\sigma\sqrt{T}},$$

$$N_1 = 0.5398$$

$$N_2 = 0.5$$

$$C = SN_1 - Xe^{-r(T)}N_2,$$

$$P = -S(1 - N_1) + Xe^{-r(T)}(1 - N_2)$$

$$P = 1.5089$$

Question 5:

The relation between annualized and continuously compounding is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}(1 + r_a) &= e^{r_c} \implies \\ \ln(1 + r_a) &= r_c,\end{aligned}$$

$$r = 0.06$$

$$\ln(1 + r) = 5.8269 \times 10^{-2} = 0.058269$$