

**SOLUTIONS: FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES AND
STOCHASTIC ANALYSIS (CTH[*tma285*]&GU[*MMA710*])**

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Each problem is worth 3 points. No aids.

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REMARK: Below, if not otherwise stated, W denotes a one-dimensional Brownian motion.

1. In the Bachelier model the money market account is a numéraire and the stock price is governed by the equation $dS(t) = \sigma S(0)dW(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq T$, where σ is a positive constant. Find (a) $P[S(T) > 0]$ (b) $P\left[\int_0^T S(t)dt > 0\right]$ (c) $E\left[\left(\int_0^T S(t)dt - K\right)^+\right]$, where K is a positive constant.

Solution. First note that $S(t) = S(0)(1 + \sigma W(t))$.

(a) Letting $G \in N(0, 1)$, we have $P[S(T) > 0] = P\left[W(T) > -\frac{1}{\sigma}\right] = P\left[G < \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}\right] = N\left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{T}}\right)$.

(b) Clearly,

$$\int_0^T S(t)dt = TS(0) + \sigma S(0) \int_0^T W(t)dt.$$

Here

$$X = \int_0^T W(t)dt$$

is a Gaussian random variable and

$$E[X] = \int_0^T E[W(t)] dt = \int_0^T 0 dt = 0.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^2] &= E\left[\int_0^T \int_0^T W(s)W(t)dsdt\right] \\ &= \int_0^T \int_0^T E[W(s)W(t)] dsdt = \int_0^T \int_0^T \min(s, t) dsdt \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \int_0^T \left(\int_0^t s ds \right) dt = \frac{T^3}{3}$$

and it follows that $X \in N(0, \frac{T^3}{3})$. Hence, using the same notation as in the solution of Part (a),

$$\begin{aligned} P \left[\int_0^T S(t) dt > 0 \right] &= P \left[X > -\frac{T}{\sigma} \right] \\ &= P \left[G < \frac{T}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{T^3}{3}}} \right] = N \left(\frac{1}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{3}{T}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

(c) Using the same notation as in the solutions of Parts (a) and (b),

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\left(\int_0^T S(t) dt - K \right)^+ \right] &= E \left[(\sigma S(0)X - (K - TS(0)))^+ \right] \\ &= \sigma S(0) \frac{T^{3/2}}{\sqrt{3}} E \left[(G - L)^+ \right] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$L = \sqrt{3} \frac{K - TS(0)}{\sigma S(0) T^{3/2}}.$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[(G - L)^+ \right] &= \int_L^\infty (x - L) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{L^2}{2}} - LN(-L). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$E \left[\left(\int_0^T S(t) dt - K \right)^+ \right] = \sigma S(0) \frac{T^{3/2}}{\sqrt{3}} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{L^2}{2}} - LN(-L) \right\}$$

with L as above.

2. (Black-Scholes model for two stocks) Suppose $T > 0$, $N \in \mathbf{N}_+$, $h = \frac{T}{N}$, and $t_n = nh$, $n = 0, \dots, N$, and consider a derivative of European type paying

the amount $Y = \sum_{n=1}^N (\ln \frac{S_1(t_n)}{S_1(t_{n-1})} - \ln \frac{S_2(t_n)}{S_2(t_{n-1})})^2$ at time of maturity T . Find $\Pi_Y(0)$.

Solution. Suppose

$$S_i(t) = S_i(0)e^{(r - \frac{1}{2}|\sigma_i|^2)t + \sigma_i \cdot \tilde{W}(t)}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where \tilde{W} is a standard 2-dimensional Brownian motion relative to the martingale measure \tilde{P} and $\sigma_i = [\sigma_{i1} \ \sigma_{i2}] \neq 0$, $i = 1, 2$. Let

$$\rho = \frac{\sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2}{|\sigma_1| |\sigma_2|}$$

be the correlation.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln \frac{S_1(t_n)}{S_1(t_{n-1})} - \ln \frac{S_2(t_n)}{S_2(t_{n-1})} \\ &= (r - \frac{1}{2} |\sigma_1|^2)h + \sigma_1 \cdot (\tilde{W}(t_n) - \tilde{W}(t_{n-1})) \\ & \quad - (r - \frac{1}{2} |\sigma_2|^2)h - \sigma_2 \cdot (\tilde{W}(t_n) - \tilde{W}(t_{n-1})) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|\sigma_2|^2 - |\sigma_1|^2)h + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot (\tilde{W}(t_n) - \tilde{W}(t_{n-1})). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_Y(0) &= e^{-rT} \sum_{n=1}^N \tilde{E} \left[\left\{ \frac{1}{2} (|\sigma_2|^2 - |\sigma_1|^2)h + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot (\tilde{W}(t_n) - \tilde{W}(t_{n-1})) \right\}^2 \right] \\ &= e^{-rT} \left\{ \frac{N}{4} (|\sigma_2|^2 - |\sigma_1|^2)^2 h^2 + \sum_{n=1}^N \tilde{E} \left[\left\{ (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot (\tilde{W}(t_n) - \tilde{W}(t_{n-1})) \right\}^2 \right] \right\} \\ &= e^{-rT} \left\{ \frac{N}{4} (|\sigma_2|^2 - |\sigma_1|^2)^2 h^2 + N \sum_{k=1}^2 (\sigma_{1k} - \sigma_{2k})^2 h \right\} \\ &= e^{-rT} T \left\{ \frac{1}{4} (|\sigma_2|^2 - |\sigma_1|^2)^2 h + |\sigma_1|^2 - 2\rho |\sigma_1|^2 |\sigma_2|^2 + |\sigma_2|^2 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Let $W = (W_1, W_2)$ be a Brownian motion in the plane and suppose $A(t) = \int_0^t (-W_2(u))dW_1(u) + \int_0^t W_1(u)dW_2(u)$, $t \geq 0$, is the Lévy area process. Find $E[A^2(t)]$.

Solution. The Itô-Doebelin formula gives

$$dA^2(t) = 2A(t)dA(t) + \frac{1}{2}2(dA(t))^2.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} dA^2(t) &= 2A(t)((-W_2(t))dW_1(t) + W_1(t)dW_2(t)) \\ &\quad + (W_2^2(t) + W_1^2(t))dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A^2(t) &= \int_0^t (-2A(u)W_2(u))dW_1(u) + \int_0^t 2A(u)W_1(u)dW_2(u) \\ &\quad + \int_0^t (W_2^2(u) + W_1^2(u))du. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$E[A^2(t)] = \int_0^t E[W_2^2(u) + W_1^2(u)] du = \int_0^t 2udu = t^2.$$

4. (a) State (but do not prove) the two-dimensional Itô-Doebelin formula.
 (b) Let $(X(t))_{t \geq 0}$ and $(Y(t))_{t \geq 0}$ be Itô processes. Use Part (a) to show that $d(X(t)Y(t)) = X(t)dY(t) + Y(t)dX(t) + dX(t)dY(t)$.

5. Let $\Delta(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, be a nonrandom function of time such that $\int_0^1 \Delta^2(t)dt < \infty$ and define $I(t) = \int_0^t \Delta(s)dW(s)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. Prove that the random variable $I(t)$ is normally distributed with expected value zero and variance $\int_0^t \Delta^2(s)ds$.