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**Homework 9 - Solutions**

**Exercise 1:**

$$\mu = 0.20 \quad \sigma = 0.25 \quad s = \$50 \quad \Delta t = \frac{1}{52}$$

a.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Delta s}{s} &= \mu \Delta t + \sigma \epsilon \sqrt{\Delta t} \\ \frac{\Delta s}{s} &= 0.20 \frac{1}{52} + 0.25 \epsilon \sqrt{\frac{1}{52}} \\ \frac{\Delta s}{s} &\sim N(\mu \Delta t, \sigma \sqrt{\Delta t}) \\ \frac{\Delta s}{s} &\sim N(0.00384615, 0.0346688)\end{aligned}$$

b. See attached plot (next page) for the simulated path of the stock.

**Exercise 2:**

$$\mu = 0.16 \quad \sigma = 0.30 \quad s = \$50 \quad \Delta t = \frac{1}{365}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\Delta s}{s} &= \mu \Delta t + \sigma \epsilon \sqrt{\Delta t} \\ \Delta s &= \mu s \Delta t + \sigma s \epsilon \sqrt{\Delta t} \\ \Delta s &\sim N(\mu s \Delta t, \sigma s \sqrt{\Delta t}) \\ s + \Delta s &\sim N(s + \mu s \Delta t, \sigma s \sqrt{\Delta t})\end{aligned}$$

a.  $E(s + \Delta s) = s + \mu s \Delta t = 50 + (0.16)50 \frac{1}{365} = 50.0219178$

b.  $SD(s + \Delta s) = \sigma s \sqrt{\Delta t} = (0.30)50 \sqrt{\frac{1}{365}} = 0.785136$

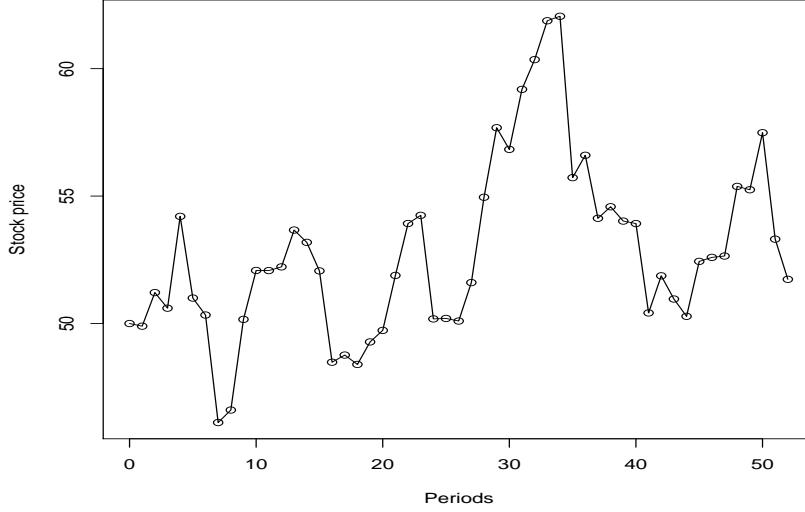
**Exercise 3:**

Stock price follows Ito's process.  $\mu = 0.16 \quad \sigma = 0.35 \quad S = \$38$

- a. A European call option with an exercise price of \$40 will be exercised when the stock price exceeds \$40.  
Find  $P(S > 40) = P(lnS > ln40) = P(lnS > 3.688879454)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}lnS_T &\sim N\left(lnS + \left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)(T - t), \sigma \sqrt{T - t}\right) \\ lnS_{0.5} &\sim N\left(ln38 + \left(0.16 - \frac{0.35^2}{2}\right)(0.5), 0.35 \sqrt{0.5}\right) \\ lnS_{0.5} &\sim N(3.68696116, 0.247487) \\ P\left(Z > \frac{ln40 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) &= P\left(Z > \frac{3.688879454 - 3.68696116}{0.247487}\right) \\ &= P(Z > 0.00775109) = 0.4969078\end{aligned}$$

- b. A European put option with an exercise price of \$40 will be exercised when the stock price does not exceed \$40.  
Find  $P(S < 40) = 1 - P(S > 40) = 1 - 0.4969078 = 0.503092$ .



**Exercise 4:**

$$\ln S_T \sim N \left( \ln S + (\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t), \sigma \sqrt{T-t} \right)$$

$$\mu^* = \ln S + (\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) \quad \sigma^* = \sigma \sqrt{T-t}$$

$$P(\mu^* - 1.96\sigma^* < \ln S_T < \mu^* + 1.96\sigma^*) = 0.95$$

$$P(\ln S + (\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) - 1.96\sigma\sqrt{T-t} < \ln S_T < \ln S + (\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) + 1.96\sigma\sqrt{T-t}) = 0.95$$

$$P(S e^{(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) - 1.96\sigma\sqrt{T-t}} < S_T < S e^{(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})(T-t) + 1.96\sigma\sqrt{T-t}}) = 0.95$$

$$\mu = 0.10 \quad \sigma = 0.15 \quad S = \$40$$

a. 95% interval for the price of the stock in 2 months:

$$\left( 40e^{(0.10 - \frac{0.15^2}{2})(\frac{1}{6}) - 1.96 \times 0.15 \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}}}, 40e^{(0.10 - \frac{0.15^2}{2})(\frac{1}{6}) + 1.96 \times 0.15 \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}}} \right) = (36.0046, 45.7731)$$

$$b. E(S_T) = S e^{\mu(T-t)} = 40e^{0.10(\frac{1}{6})} = 40.6723$$

$$c. Var(S_T) = S^2 e^{2\mu(T-t)} [e^{\sigma^2(T-t)} - 1] = 40^2 e^{2 \times 0.10(\frac{1}{6})} [e^{0.15^2(\frac{1}{6})} - 1] = 6.21502$$

$$SD(S_T) = \sqrt{Var(S_T)} = \sqrt{6.21502} = 2.49299$$

**Exercise 5:**

Black-Scholes model:  $S_0 = \$95$      $E = \$105$      $\sigma = 0.60$      $t = \frac{2}{3}$

$$C = S_0 \Phi(d_1) - \left( \frac{E}{e^{rt}} \right) \Phi(d_2)$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S_0}{E}) + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t}{\sigma\sqrt{t}} = \frac{\ln(\frac{95}{105}) + (0.08 + \frac{1}{2}0.60^2)\frac{2}{3}}{0.60\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}} = 0.149521$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\ln(\frac{S_0}{E}) + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t}{\sigma\sqrt{t}} = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{t} = 0.149521 - 0.489898 = -0.340377$$

$$\Phi(d_1) = \Phi(0.149521) = 0.5594287$$

$$\Phi(d_2) = \Phi(-0.340377) = 0.3667863$$

$$C = 95 \times 0.5594287 - \left( \frac{105}{e^{0.08 \times \frac{2}{3}}} \right) 0.3667863 = 16.6334$$