



Lecture 25

Financial derivatives and PDE's

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Multi-assets options

$$\begin{cases} dS_1(t) = \mu_1(t) S_1(t) dt + \sigma_{11}(t) S_1(t) dW_1(t) + \sigma_{12}(t) S_1(t) dW_2(t) \\ dS_2(t) = \mu_2(t) S_2(t) dt + \sigma_{21}(t) S_2(t) dW_1(t) + \sigma_{22}(t) S_2(t) dW_2(t) \end{cases}$$

Multi-asset options are options on several underlying assets. Notable examples include rainbow options, basket options and quanto options.

In the following we discuss options on two stocks in a **2+1 dimensional Black-Scholes market**, i.e., a market with constant parameters. It follows that

$$\begin{cases} dS_1(t) = \mu_1 S_1(t) dt + \sigma_{11} S_1(t) dW_1(t) + \sigma_{12} S_1(t) dW_2(t) \\ dS_2(t) = \mu_2 S_2(t) dt + \sigma_{21} S_2(t) dW_1(t) + \sigma_{22} S_2(t) dW_2(t), \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} (1a) \\ (1b) \end{matrix}$$

where the volatility matrix

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

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is invertible (so that the market is complete).

Integrating (1) we obtain that $(S_1(t), S_2(t))$ is given by the **2-dimensional geometric Brownian motion**:

$$\begin{cases} S_1(t) = S_1(0) e^{(\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2))t + \sigma_{11} W_1(t) + \sigma_{12} W_2(t)}, \\ S_2(t) = S_2(0) e^{(\mu_2 - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2))t + \sigma_{21} W_1(t) + \sigma_{22} W_2(t)}, \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} (2a) \\ (2b) \end{matrix}$$

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$$dW_1 dW_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\log S_1) &= \frac{1}{S_1} dS_1 - \frac{1}{2S_1^2} dS_1 dS_1 = \frac{1}{S_1} \left(\mu_1 S_1 dt + \sigma_{11} S_1 dW_1 + \sigma_{12} S_1 dW_2 \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2S_1^2} (\sigma_{11}^2 S_1^2 + \sigma_{12}^2 S_1^2) dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\log S_1(t) = \log S_1(0) \left[\left(\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2) \right) t + \sigma_{11} W_1 + \sigma_{12} W_2 \right]$$

$$\log S_1(t) = \log S_1(0) \left[\left(\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2) \right) t + \sigma_{11} w_1 + \sigma_{12} w_2 \right]$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\sigma}_1 \\ \vec{\sigma}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

or, more concisely,

$$S_j(t) = S_j(0) e^{(\mu_j - \frac{(\sigma_j)^2}{2})t + \sigma_j \cdot W(t)}, \quad \sigma_{11} w_1 + \sigma_{12} w_2 = \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{w} \quad w = (w_1, w_2)$$

where $\sigma_j = (\sigma_{j1}, \sigma_{j2})$, $j = 1, 2$, $W(t) = (W_1(t), W_2(t))$ and \cdot denotes the standard scalar product of vectors.

Theorem 1. The random variables $S_1(t), S_2(t)$ have the joint density

$$f_{S_1(t), S_2(t)}(x, y) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2t} \left(\log \frac{x}{S_1(0)} - \alpha_1 t \quad \log \frac{y}{S_2(0)} - \alpha_2 t \right) (\sigma \sigma^T)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \log \frac{x}{S_1(0)} - \alpha_1 t \\ \log \frac{y}{S_2(0)} - \alpha_2 t \end{pmatrix}}}{t x y \sqrt{(2\pi)^2 \det(\sigma \sigma^T)}}, \quad (3)$$

where $\alpha_j = \mu_j - \frac{|\sigma_j|^2}{2}$, $j = 1, 2$. Moreover $\log S_1(t), \log S_2(t)$ are jointly normally distributed with mean $m = (\log S_1(0) + \alpha_1 t, \log S_2(0) + \alpha_2 t)$ and covariant matrix $C = t \sigma \sigma^T$.

Proof. Letting $X_i = W_i(t)/\sqrt{t} \in \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, we write the stock prices as

$$S_1(t) = S_1(0) e^{\alpha_1 t + Y_1}, \quad S_2(t) = S_2(0) e^{\alpha_2 t + Y_2},$$

where

$$Y_1 = \sigma_{11} \sqrt{t} X_1 + \sigma_{12} \sqrt{t} X_2, \quad Y_2 = \sigma_{21} \sqrt{t} X_1 + \sigma_{22} \sqrt{t} X_2.$$

It follows that Y_1, Y_2 are jointly normally distributed with zero mean and covariant matrix $C = t \sigma \sigma^T$, which proves the second statement in the theorem. To compute the joint density of the stock prices, we notice that

$$S_1(t) \leq x \Leftrightarrow Y_1 \leq \log \left(\frac{x}{S_1(0)} \right) - \alpha_1 t, \quad S_2(t) \leq y \Leftrightarrow Y_2 \leq \log \left(\frac{y}{S_2(0)} \right) - \alpha_2 t,$$

hence

$$F_{S_1(t), S_2(t)}(x, y) = F_{Y_1, Y_2} \left(\log \frac{x}{S_1(0)} - \alpha_1 t, \log \frac{y}{S_2(0)} - \alpha_2 t \right).$$

Hence

$$f_{S_1(t), S_2(t)}(x, y) = \partial_{xy}^2 F_{S_1(t), S_2(t)}(x, y) = \frac{1}{xy} f_{Y_1, Y_2} \left(\log \frac{x}{S_1(0)} - \alpha_1 t, \log \frac{y}{S_2(0)} - \alpha_2 t \right).$$

Using the joint normal density of Y_1, Y_2 completes the proof. \square

Exercise 1. Show that the process (1) is equivalent, in distribution, to the process

$$d\tilde{S}_i(t) = \mu_i \tilde{S}_i(t) dt + \tilde{\sigma}_i \tilde{S}_i(t) dW_i^{(\rho)}(t), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad (4)$$

where

$$\tilde{\sigma}_i = \sqrt{\sigma_{i1}^2 + \sigma_{i2}^2}, \quad \rho = \frac{\sigma_{11}\sigma_{21} + \sigma_{12}\sigma_{22}}{\sqrt{(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2)(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)}} \in [-1, 1] \quad (5)$$

and where $W_1^{(\rho)}(t), W_2^{(\rho)}(t)$ are correlated Brownian motions with correlation ρ , i.e.,

$$dW_1^{(\rho)}(t) dW_2^{(\rho)}(t) = \rho dt.$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} d\tilde{S}_1 = \mu_1 \tilde{S}_1 dt + \tilde{\sigma}_1 \tilde{S}_1 dW_1^{(\rho)} \rightarrow \text{GEOM. BM} \\ d\tilde{S}_2 = \mu_2 \tilde{S}_2 dt + \tilde{\sigma}_2 \tilde{S}_2 dW_2^{(\rho)} \rightarrow \text{GEOM. BM} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{S}_1, \tilde{S}_2$ are jointly normally distributed

$$d \log \tilde{S}_1 d \log \tilde{S}_2 = \rho dt$$

Now let $r(t) = r$ be the constant interest rate of the money market. The solution of the market price of risk equations can be written as

$$\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 - r \\ \mu_2 - r \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det \sigma} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{22} & -\sigma_{12} \\ -\sigma_{21} & \sigma_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 - r \\ \mu_2 - r \end{pmatrix},$$

that is

$$\theta_1 = \frac{1}{\det \sigma} [\sigma_{22}(\mu_1 - r) - \sigma_{12}(\mu_2 - r)], \quad \theta_2 = \frac{1}{\det \sigma} [-\sigma_{21}(\mu_1 - r) + \sigma_{11}(\mu_2 - r)].$$

Replacing $dW_i(t) = d\tilde{W}_i(t) - \theta_i dt$ into (1) we find

$$d\tilde{W}_i(t) = dW_i(t) + \theta_i dt$$

$$\begin{cases} dS_1(t) = rS_1(t)dt + \sigma_{11}S_1(t)d\tilde{W}_1(t) + \sigma_{12}S_1(t)d\tilde{W}_2(t), & (6a) \\ dS_2(t) = rS_2(t)dt + \sigma_{21}S_2(t)d\tilde{W}_1(t) + \sigma_{22}S_2(t)d\tilde{W}_2(t). & (6b) \end{cases}$$

Note that the discounted price of both stocks is a martingale in the risk-neutral probability measure, as expected.

Moreover the system (6) can be integrated to give

$$\tilde{W}(t) = (\tilde{W}_1(t), \tilde{W}_2(t))$$

$$|\sigma_j|^2 = \sigma_{j1}^2 + \sigma_{j2}^2$$

$$\sigma_j = (\sigma_{j1}, \sigma_{j2})$$

$$\sigma_2 = (\sigma_{21}, \sigma_{22})$$

$$S_j(t) = S_j(0)e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_j|^2}{2})t + \sigma_j \cdot \tilde{W}(t)}, \quad (7)$$

where $\tilde{W}(t) = (\tilde{W}_1(t), \tilde{W}_2(t))$. As $\tilde{W}_1(t), \tilde{W}_2(t)$ are independent $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ -Brownian motions, the joint distribution of the stock prices in the risk-neutral probability measure is given by (3) where now

$$\alpha_i = r - \frac{|\sigma_i|^2}{2}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Next consider a standard European style derivative on the two stocks with pay-off $Y = g(S_1(T), S_2(T))$. The risk-neutral price of the derivative is

$$\Pi_Y(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(S_1(T), S_2(T)) | \mathcal{F}_W(t)] = \pi_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$$

By the Markov property for systems of stochastic differential equations, there exists a func-

tion $v_g : [0, T] \times (0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ such that

$$\Pi_Y(t) = v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)). \quad (9)$$

As in the case of options on one single stock, the pricing function can be computed in two ways: using the joint probability density of the stocks or by solving a PDE.

Black-Scholes price for options on two stocks

We show first how to compute the function v_g in (9) using the joint probability density of $S_1(t), S_2(t)$ derived in Theorem 1. We argue as in the one-dimensional case.

By (7) we have

$$\Pi_Y(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(S_1(\tau), S_2(\tau)) | \mathcal{F}_W(t)]$$

$$S_j(T) = S_j(t) e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_j|^2}{2})\tau + \sigma_j \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))}, \quad \tau = T - t.$$

Replacing into (8) we obtain

$$\Pi_Y(t) = e^{-r\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(S_1(t) e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_1|^2}{2})\tau + \sigma_1 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))}, S_2(t) e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_2|^2}{2})\tau + \sigma_2 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))}) | \mathcal{F}_W(t)].$$

As $(S_1(t), S_2(t))$ is measurable with respect to $\mathcal{F}_W(t)$ and $\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t)$ is independent of $\mathcal{F}_W(t)$, the Independence Lemma gives

$$\Pi_Y(t) = v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)),$$

where

$$v_g(t, x, y) = e^{-r\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(x e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_1|^2}{2})\tau + \sigma_1 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))}, y e^{(r - \frac{|\sigma_2|^2}{2})\tau + \sigma_2 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))})].$$

To compute the expectation in the right hand side of the latter equation we use that the random variables

$$Y_1 = \sigma_1 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t)), \quad Y_2 = \sigma_2 \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))$$

are jointly normally distributed with zero mean and covariance matrix $C = \tau \sigma \sigma^T$. Hence

1-DIMENSION:
$$N_g(t, x) = e^{-rz} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g\left(x e^{\frac{(z-\frac{\sigma^2}{2})\tau + \sqrt{\tau}z}{\sigma}}\right) \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{z^2}{\sigma^2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{dz}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

2-DIMENSIONS $z = \sigma^{-1} \gamma$

$$v_g(t, x, y) = e^{-rt} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} g\left(x e^{\left(r - \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2}\right)\tau + \sqrt{\tau}\xi}, y e^{\left(r - \frac{\sigma_2^2}{2}\right)\tau + \sqrt{\tau}\eta}\right) \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \xi & \eta \end{pmatrix} (\sigma\sigma^T)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}\right)}{2\pi \sqrt{\det(\sigma\sigma^T)}} d\xi d\eta. \quad (10)$$

Definition 1. The stochastic process $\{\Pi_Y(t)\}_{t \in [0, T]}$ given by (9)-(10), is called the **Black-Scholes price** of the standard 2-stocks European derivative with pay-off $\bar{Y} = g(S_1(T), S_2(T))$ and time of maturity $T > 0$.

Black-Scholes PDE for options on two stocks

Next we show how to derive the pricing function v_g by solving a PDE.

$$N_g(t, x, y) = v(t, \frac{x}{\sigma_1}, \frac{y}{\sigma_2})$$

Theorem 2. Let v_g be the (unique) strong solution to the terminal value problem

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t v_g + r(x\partial_x v_g + y\partial_y v_g) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2)x^2\partial_x^2 v_g + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)y^2\partial_y^2 v_g \\ + (\sigma_{11}\sigma_{21} + \sigma_{12}\sigma_{22})xy\partial_{xy} v_g = r v_g, \quad t \in (0, T), \quad x, y > 0, \quad (11a) \\ v_g(T, x, y) = g(x, y), \quad x, y > 0. \quad (11b) \end{aligned}$$

Then (9) holds. The PDE in (11) is called the **2-dimensional Black-Scholes PDE**.

$$\Pi_Y(t) = N_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)), \quad Y = g(S_1(T), S_2(T))$$

Proof. By Itô's formula in two dimensions,

$$d(e^{-rt} v_g) = e^{-rt} \left(-r v_g dt + \partial_t v_g dt + \partial_x v_g dS_1(t) + \partial_y v_g dS_2(t) \right. \\ \left. + \partial_{xy}^2 v_g dS_1(t) dS_2(t) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 v_g dS_1(t) dS_1(t) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_y^2 v_g dS_2(t) dS_2(t) \right).$$

Moreover, using (6),

$$\begin{aligned} dS_1 &= \mu S_1 dt + \sigma_{11} S_1 d\tilde{W}_1 + \sigma_{12} S_1 d\tilde{W}_2 \\ dS_2 &= \mu S_2 dt + \sigma_{21} S_2 d\tilde{W}_1 + \sigma_{22} S_2 d\tilde{W}_2 \\ dS_1(t) dS_1(t) &= (\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2) S_1(t)^2 dt \\ dS_2(t) dS_2(t) &= (\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2) S_2(t)^2 dt \\ dS_1(t) dS_2(t) &= (\sigma_{11}\sigma_{21} + \sigma_{12}\sigma_{22}) S_1(t) S_2(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$d(e^{-rt} v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))) = \alpha(t) dt + e^{-rt} S_1(t) \partial_x v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) (\sigma_{11} d\tilde{W}_1(t) + \sigma_{12} d\tilde{W}_2(t)) \\ + e^{-rt} S_2(t) \partial_y v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) (\sigma_{21} d\tilde{W}_1(t) + \sigma_{22} d\tilde{W}_2(t))$$

where the drift term is

$$\alpha(t) = e^{-rt} \left(-rv_g + \partial_t v_g + r(x\partial_x v_g + y\partial_y v_g) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2)x^2\partial_x^2 v_g + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)y^2\partial_y^2 v_g + (\sigma_{11}\sigma_{21} + \sigma_{12}\sigma_{22})xy\partial_{xy} v_g \right)(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) = 0,$$

due to v_g solving (11). It follows that the stochastic process $\{e^{-rt}v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))\}_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$ -martingale relative to $\{\mathcal{F}_W(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$, hence, using the terminal condition $v_g(T) = g$, we have

$$e^{-rT} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(S_1(T), S_2(T)) | \mathcal{F}_W(t)] = e^{-rt} v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)), \quad t \in [0, T],$$

which proves (9). \square

$$\pi_Y(t) = e^{-r(t-T)} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[Y | \mathcal{F}_W(t)] = e^{-rt} \tilde{\mathbb{E}}[g(S_1(T), S_2(T)) | \mathcal{F}_W(t)] = e^{-rt} v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$$

Hedging portfolio $v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) \Big|_{S_1(T), S_2(T)} = g(S_1(T), S_2(T))$

Finally we derive the formulas for the hedging portfolio for standard 2-stocks European derivatives in Black-Scholes markets.

Theorem 3. The numbers of shares $h_{S_1}(t), h_{S_2}(t)$ in the self-financing hedging portfolio for the European derivative with pay-off $Y = g(S_1(T), S_2(T))$ and maturity T are given by

$$h_{S_1}(t) = \partial_x v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)), \quad h_{S_2}(t) = \partial_y v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)).$$

$$V(t) = h_{S_1}(t)S_1(t) + h_{S_2}(t)S_2(t) + h_B(t)B(t) = \pi_Y(t) \Rightarrow h_B(t) = (\pi_Y(t) - h_{S_1}(t)S_1(t) - h_{S_2}(t)S_2(t)) / B(t)$$

Proof. The discounted value of the derivative satisfies $d\Pi_Y^*(t) = \Delta_1(t)d\tilde{W}_1(t) + \Delta_2(t)d\tilde{W}_2(t)$, where

$$\Delta_1(t) = e^{-rt}(S_1(t)\sigma_{11}\partial_x v_g + S_2(t)\sigma_{21}\partial_y v_g)(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$$

$$\Delta_2(t) = e^{-rt}(S_1(t)\sigma_{12}\partial_x v_g + S_2(t)\sigma_{22}\partial_y v_g)(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$$

Letting $\Delta = (\Delta_1 \ \Delta_2)^T$, we have $\Delta/e^{-rt} = \sigma^T Y$, where

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} S_1(t)\partial_x v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) \\ S_2(t)\partial_y v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence the number of stock shares in the hedging portfolio is $h_{S_1}(t) = Y_1/S_1(t) = \partial_x v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$, $h_{S_2}(t) = Y_2/S_2(t) = \partial_y v_g(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$, which concludes the proof of the theorem. \square

An example of option on two stocks (outperformance option)

Let $K, T > 0$ and consider a standard European derivative with pay-off

EXAMPLE: $K=1$, THEN THE OUTPERFORMANCE OPTION EXPIRES
 IN THE MONEY AT MATURITY T IF $S_1(T) > S_2(T)$, THAT IS
 IF THE FIRST STOCK OUTPERFORMS THE SECOND STOCK AT
 TIME T .

EXCHANGE OPTION:

$$Y = (S_1(T) - S_2(T))_+$$

$$Y = \left(\frac{S_1(T)}{S_2(T)} - K \right)_+$$

at time of maturity T . This is an example of outperformance option, i.e., an option that allows investors to benefit from the relative performance of two underlying assets.

Using (7), we can write the risk-neutral price of the derivative as

$$S_j(T) = S_j(t) e^{\left(\frac{\sigma_j^2}{2} - \frac{\sigma_1^2}{2}\right)\tau} + \sigma_j \cdot (\tilde{W}_j(T) - \tilde{W}_j(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_Y(t) &= e^{-r\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[\left(\frac{S_1(T)}{S_2(T)} - K \right)_+ \mid \mathcal{F}_W(t) \right] \\ &= e^{-r\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[\left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_2(t)} e^{\left(\frac{|\sigma_2|^2}{2} - \frac{|\sigma_1|^2}{2}\right)\tau + (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t))} - K \right)_+ \mid \mathcal{F}_W(t) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now we write

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{2} \left((\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{21}) \frac{(\tilde{W}_1(T) - \tilde{W}_1(t))}{\sqrt{2}} + (\sigma_{21} - \sigma_{22}) \frac{(\tilde{W}_2(T) - \tilde{W}_2(t))}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2) \cdot (\tilde{W}(T) - \tilde{W}(t)) = \sqrt{\tau} [(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{21})G_1 + (\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{22})G_2] = \sqrt{\tau}(X_1 + X_2), \end{aligned}$$

where $G_j = (\tilde{W}_j(T) - \tilde{W}_j(t))/\sqrt{\tau} \in \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, $j = 1, 2$, hence $X_j \in \mathcal{N}(0, (\sigma_{1j} - \sigma_{2j})^2)$, $j = 1, 2$.

In addition, X_1, X_2 are independent random variables, hence, as shown in Section 2, $X_1 + X_2$ is normally distributed with zero mean and variance $(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{21})^2 + (\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{22})^2 = |\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|^2$. It follows that

$$\Pi_Y(t) = e^{-r\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[\left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_2(t)} e^{\left(\frac{|\sigma_2|^2}{2} - \frac{|\sigma_1|^2}{2}\right)\tau + \sqrt{\tau}|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|G} - K \right)_+ \right],$$

where $G \in \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Hence, letting

$$\hat{r} = \frac{|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|^2}{2} + \left(\frac{|\sigma_2|^2}{2} - \frac{|\sigma_1|^2}{2} \right)$$

and $a = e^{(\hat{r}-r)\tau}$, we have

$$\Pi_Y(t) = ae^{-\hat{r}\tau} \tilde{\mathbb{E}} \left[\left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_2(t)} e^{\left(\hat{r} - \frac{|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|^2}{2}\right)\tau + \sqrt{\tau}|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|G} - K \right)_+ \right]$$

GEOMETRIC BM IN THE RISK-NEUTRAL

8 PROBABILITY WITH INTEREST
 RATE $\frac{r}{2}$ AND VOLATILITY $|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|$

Up to the multiplicative parameter a , this is the Black-Scholes price of a call on a stock with price $S_1(t)/S_2(t)$, volatility $|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|$ and for an interest rate of the money market given by \hat{r} . Hence

$$\Pi_Y(t) = a \left(\frac{S_1(t)}{S_2(t)} \Phi(d_+) - K e^{-\hat{r}\tau} \Phi(d_-) \right) := v(t, S_1(t), S_2(t)) = u(t, \frac{S_1(t)}{S_2(t)}) \quad (12)$$

where

$$d_{\pm} = \frac{\log \frac{S_1(t)}{K S_2(t)} + (\hat{r} \pm \frac{|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2|^2}{2})\tau}{|\sigma_1 - \sigma_2| \sqrt{\tau}}.$$

As to the self-financing hedging portfolio, we have $h_{S_1}(t) = \partial_x v(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$, $h_{S_2}(t) = \partial_y v(t, S_1(t), S_2(t))$, $j = 1, 2$. Therefore, recalling the delta function of the standard European call, we obtain

$$h_{S_1}(t) = \frac{a}{S_2(t)} \Phi(d_+), \quad h_{S_2}(t) = -\frac{a S_1(t)}{S_2(t)^2} \Phi(d_+).$$

The same result can be obtained by solving the terminal value problem (11).

Indeed, the form of the pay-off function of the derivative suggests to look for solutions of (11) of the form $v_g(t, x, y) = u(t, x/y)$. The function $u(t, z)$ satisfies a standard Black-Scholes PDE in 1+1 dimension, whose solution is given as in (12).