

## week2b: Kapitel 2: Das Binomialmodell, Teil2

Letztes Mal hatten wir das Binomialmodell als ein zeitdiskretes Assetpreismodell definiert, was von einem Zeitpunkt  $t_{k-1}$  zum nächsten Zeitpunkt  $t_k$  jeweils immer nur 2 Einstellungsmöglichkeiten zulässt, das war die

**Definition 2.2:** If the price process  $S_k = S(t_k)$  of some tradable asset  $S$  has the dynamics

$$S_k = S_{k-1}(1 + \text{ret}_k) \quad \text{with} \quad \text{ret}_k \in \{\text{ret}_{\text{up}}, \text{ret}_{\text{down}}\} \quad (1)$$

for all  $k$ , then we say that  $S$  is given by the Binomial model.

Dann hatten wir uns noch kurz das folgende Theorem angeschaut, was wir jetzt also beweisen wollen:

**Theorem 2.1:** Let  $S$  be some tradable asset whose price process is given by the Binomial model (1). Let  $r$  denote some constant interest rate which is to be applied to cash amounts at each period from  $t_{k-1}$  to  $t_k$ . Then every option payoff

$$H = H(S_0, \dots, S_N)$$

can be replicated. A replicating strategy is given by, for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ :

$$\delta_k = \delta_k(S_0, \dots, S_k) = \frac{V_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - V_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} \quad (2)$$

with the abbreviations

$$S_{k+1}^{\text{up/down}} := S_k (1 + \text{ret}_{\text{up/down}})$$

$$V_{k+1}^{\text{up/down}} := V_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_{k+1}^{\text{up/down}})$$

and the portfolio values  $V_k$ , including the theoretical fair value, the option price  $V_0$ , can be inductively calculated through the following formulae: Let

$$R := 1 + r$$

Then

$$V_k = R^k v_k$$

and the discounted portfolio values  $v_k$  can be calculated recursively through

$$v_k = w_{\text{up}} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + w_{\text{down}} v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} \quad (3)$$

and the recursion starts at  $k = N$  with discounted portfolio values

$$v_N := R^{-N} H(S_0, \dots, S_N)$$

The weights  $w_{\text{up}}$  and  $w_{\text{down}}$  are given by

$$w_{\text{up}} = \frac{r - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}} \quad (4)$$

$$w_{\text{down}} = 1 - w_{\text{up}} = \frac{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - r}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}} . \quad (5)$$

**Proof of Theorem 2.1:** For nonzero interest rates we have

$$v_N = v_0 + \sum_{j=1}^N \delta_{j-1} (s_j - s_{j-1})$$

which is equivalent to

$$v_{k+1} = v_k + \delta_k (s_{k+1} - s_k) \quad \forall k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (6)$$

We have

$$v_{k+1} = v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_{k+1}) = v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_k(1 + \text{ret}_k))$$

and the return  $\text{ret}_k$  can be an up-move or a down-move in which case we get

$$\begin{aligned} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} &= v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_{k+1}^{\text{up}}) = v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_k(1 + \text{ret}_{\text{up}})) \\ v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} &= v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}) = v_{k+1}(S_0, \dots, S_k, S_k(1 + \text{ret}_{\text{down}})) \end{aligned}$$

From (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} &= v_k + \delta_k (s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k) \\ v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} &= v_k + \delta_k (s_{k+1}^{\text{down}} - s_k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} = \delta_k (s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}})$$

or

$$\delta_k = \frac{v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - v_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} = \frac{R^{-(k+1)}(V_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - V_{k+1}^{\text{down}})}{R^{-(k+1)}(S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}})} = \frac{V_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - V_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}$$

Solving (6) for  $v_k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} v_k &= v_{k+1} - \delta_k(s_{k+1} - s_k) \\ &= v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - \delta_k(s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k) \\ &= v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} - \delta_k(s_{k+1}^{\text{down}} - s_k) \end{aligned}$$

Let's take the up-equation and substitute the value for  $\delta_k$  (we also could use the down-equation, we would end up with the same result),

$$\begin{aligned} v_k &= v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - \delta_k(s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k) \\ &= v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - \frac{v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - v_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} (s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k) \\ &= \frac{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - (v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - v_{k+1}^{\text{down}}) \frac{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} \\ &= \frac{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + s_k}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + \frac{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} \\ &= \frac{s_k - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + \frac{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_k}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} \\ &=: w_{\text{up}} v_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + w_{\text{down}} v_{k+1}^{\text{down}} \end{aligned}$$

with weights  $w_{\text{up}}$  and  $w_{\text{down}}$  which apparently add up to 1 and

$$w_{\text{up}} = \frac{s_k - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{s_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - s_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} = \frac{R^{-k}S_k - R^{-(k+1)}S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{R^{-(k+1)}(S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}})} = \frac{RS_k - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\text{up}} &= \frac{RS_k - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{S_{k+1}^{\text{up}} - S_{k+1}^{\text{down}}} \\ &= \frac{(1+r)S_k - S_k(1+\text{ret}_{\text{down}})}{S_k(1+\text{ret}_{\text{up}}) - S_k(1+\text{ret}_{\text{down}})} \\ &= \frac{1+r - (1+\text{ret}_{\text{down}})}{(1+\text{ret}_{\text{up}}) - (1+\text{ret}_{\text{down}})} \\ &= \frac{r - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}} \end{aligned}$$

and the theorem is proven. ■

**Remarks:** 1) If  $H$  is a path-independent or non-exotic option which depends only on the underlying price at maturity,

$$H = H(S_N)$$

then the  $\delta_k$  and the value of the replicating portfolio  $V_k$  at  $t_k$  depend only on the asset price  $S_k$  and do not depend on earlier prices  $S_{k-1}, S_{k-2}, \dots, S_0$ . That is,

$$\begin{aligned} V_k &= V_k(S_k) \\ \delta_k &= \delta_k(S_k) \end{aligned}$$

2) Assume zero interest rates  $r = 0$  such that  $R = 1 + r = 1$ . Then  $v_k = V_k$  and (3) becomes

$$V_k = w_{\text{up}} V_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + w_{\text{down}} V_{k+1}^{\text{down}}$$

with weights

$$w_{\text{up}} = \frac{r - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}} = \frac{-\text{ret}_{\text{down}}}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}}$$
$$w_{\text{down}} = \frac{+\text{ret}_{\text{up}}}{\text{ret}_{\text{up}} - \text{ret}_{\text{down}}}$$

If we further assume a ‘symmetric’ Binomial model with (say,  $q = 1\%$  or  $q = 5\%$ )

$$\text{ret}_{\text{up}} = +q$$
$$\text{ret}_{\text{down}} = -q$$

the weights simplify to

$$w_{\text{up}} = \frac{-(-q)}{2q} = \frac{1}{2} = w_{\text{down}}$$

and we arrive at the simple recursion formula

$$V_k = \frac{V_{k+1}^{\text{up}} + V_{k+1}^{\text{down}}}{2} \tag{7}$$

Schauen wir uns jetzt ein konkretes Beispiel dazu an, das machen wir an der Tafel.