



APPLIES TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2014/2015

DRE 4014 Valuation of Derivatives

Programme

Finance

Responsible for the course

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Department

Department of Financial Economics

Term

According to study plan

ECTS Credits

6

Language of instruction

English

Introduction

Please note that this course will be revised before it is offered again.

This course covers the valuation of derivatives within a complete markets model, using preference restrictions. It is based on several chapters from Poon and Stapleton, Asset pricing in discrete time: a complete markets approach.

Learning outcome

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1. To appreciate how the shape of the pricing kernel affects the pricing of options
2. To understand the utility theoretic determinants of the pricing kernel
3. To derive the Black model in a single-period economy
4. To appreciate the limitations of the Black model and derive extensions, including option bounds
5. To derive the Black model in a single-period economy
6. To understand the difference between futures and forward prices

Prerequisites

Admission to a PhD Programme is a general requirement for participation in PhD courses at BI Norwegian Business School.

External candidates are kindly asked to attach confirmation of admission to a PhD programme when signing up for a course with the doctoral administration. Other candidates may be allowed to sit in on courses by approval of the courseleader. Sitting in on courses does not permit registration for courses, handing in exams or gaining credits for the course. Course certificates or conformation letters will not be issued for sitting in on courses

Compulsory reading

Books:

Cochrane, John H.. 2005. Asset pricing. Rev. ed. Princeton, N.J. : Princeton University Press

Huang, Chi-fu and R. H. Litzenberger. 1988. Foundations for financial economics. New York : North-Holland

Poon, Ser-Huang and Richard C. Stapleton. 2005. Asset pricing in discrete time : a complete markets approach. Oxford : Oxford University Press

Recommended reading

Course outline

Lecture Outline

1. The complete markets model:

Valuation of options

Reading: Poon and

Stapleton, ch 3,

Option Pricing in a single-period model.

Huang and

Litzenberger, ch 6,

Valuation of Complex

Securities and

Options with

Preference

Restrictions

Cochrane, ch 3,

Option Pricing

2. Utility theory and

the pricing kernel

Poon and Stapleton,

ch 2

Eekhoudt, Gollier and

Schlesinger,

Economic and

Financial Decisions

Under Risk,

Princeton UP, 2005

3. Extensions to

Black-Scholes

Poon and Stapleton,

ch 4, Valuation of

contingent claims:

extensions

Cochrane, ch 18,

Option Pricing without

perfect replication

4. Conditions for the

Black model and the

pricing of Interest-

Rate Options

Franke, Huang and

Stapleton, 'A two-

dimensional risk-

neutral valuation

relationship

for the valuation of

options' Review of

Derivatives Research,

(2007)

5. Futures prices in

the multi-period

model

Poon and Stapleton,

ch 5, 6

Cox, Ingersoll and Ross, 'The relationship between forward and futures prices', JFE (1981)

Computer-based tools

Learning process and workload

Workload (6 ECTS)

Lectures

30 hours

Specified learning activities (including reading)

75 hours

Autonomous student learning (including exam preparation)

75 hours

Total

180 hours

Examination

Will be graded on the ECTS scale (A to F). There will be 3 hour written exam that counts 100% of the grade

Examination code(s)

DRE 40141 3 hour written exam that counts 100% of the grade.

Examination support materials

BI-approved exam calculator only

BI-approved exam calculator: TEXAS INSTRUMENTS BA II Plus™.

Instruction manuals can only be used at examinations where "all exam aids" are allowed. In cases where a BI-approved calculator is allowed, only one – 1- such calculator can be brought to the examination premises. In addition one simple calculator can be brought.

Re-sit examination

Re-takes are only possible at the next time a course will be held. When the course evaluation has a separate exam code for each part of the evaluation it is possible to retake parts of the evaluation. Otherwise, the whole course must be re-evaluated when a student wants to retake an exam offered

Additional information

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dealt with in accordance with BI's procedures for cheating. These issues are a serious matter to everyone associated with the programs at BI and are at the heart of the honor code and academic integrity. If you have any questions about your responsibilities under the honour code, please ask.