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Problem. Let the current stock price be \$100.
Assume the Black-Scholes model.
You're given:

(i) • $P[S(1/4) < 95] = 0.2358$

(ii) • $P[S(1/2) < 110] = 0.6026$

What's the expected time-1 stock price?

→: $E[S(T)] = S(0) e^{(\alpha - \delta) \cdot T}$

In the B.S model:

$S(T) = S(0) e^{(\alpha - \delta - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z}$ ✓

In particular:

$E[S(1)] = S(0) e^{(\alpha - \delta)} = S(0) e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}}$

(i): { 95 is the 23.58th quantile of $S(1/4)$
The 23.58th quantile of $N(0,1)$: $qnorm(0.2358) = -0.72$
→ $95 = 100 e^{\mu(1/4) + \sigma \sqrt{1/4} (-0.72)} \quad / : 100$

$\ln \mid e^{\mu(1/4) + \sigma(1/2)(-0.72)} = 0.95$

$\underline{0.25 \mu - 0.36 \sigma = \ln(0.95)} \quad (i) \quad / \cdot 2$

(ii): { 110 is the 60.26th quantile of $S(1/2)$
The 60.26th quantile of $N(0,1)$: $qnorm(0.6026) = 0.26$
→ $110 = 100 e^{\mu(1/2) + \sigma \sqrt{1/2} (0.26)} \quad / : 100$

$\ln \mid e^{\mu(1/2) + \sigma \sqrt{1/2} (0.26)} = 1.1$

$\underline{0.5 \mu + \sigma \sqrt{0.5} (0.26) = \ln(1.1)} \quad (ii)$

We solve for μ and σ in the system (i) & (ii):

$$\mu = \underline{\quad? \quad} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = \underline{\quad? \quad}$$

$$2 \cdot (i) : 0.5 \mu - 0.72 \sigma = 2 \ln(0.95)$$

$$(ii) : 0.5 \mu + \sqrt{0.5} (0.26) \cdot \sigma = \ln(1.1)$$

$$(0.72 + \sqrt{0.5} (0.26)) \sigma = \ln(1.1) - 2 \ln(0.95)$$

$$\sigma = \underline{R = 0.2189492} \quad \checkmark$$

$$4 \cdot (i) : \mu - 1.44 \cdot (0.2189) = 4 \cdot \ln(0.95) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{\mu = 0.110114}$$

$$\text{Finally, } \mathbb{E}[S(1)] = 100 e^{0.1101 + \frac{(0.2189)^2}{2}} = 114.35$$

Value@Risk [Review].

Start w/ a (small) probability p .

(R) ... random variable corresponding to your return, or profit, or wealth

In this context, the $\text{VaR}_p(R)$ satisfies

$$\mathbb{P}[R \leq \text{VaR}_p(R)] = p$$

Problem. [Sample IFM: Part II: Problem #35]

Assume the Black-Scholes model.

You own one share of non-dividend-paying stock.
You intend to hold onto this stock for 4 years.

You want to set aside an amount of capital, in terms of a percentage of the initial asset price, so that you reduce the risk of loss @ the end of the investment period.

- The mean rate of return on the stock is 0.15.
- The stock's volatility is 0.40.
- The Var @ the 3rd quantile for the total portfolio equals the initial stock price.

Find the amount of capital to be put in reserve as a percentage of the initial stock price.

→ :

$$\text{Var}_{0.03}(S(T) + \underbrace{C}_{= \varphi \cdot S(0) \dots \text{the amt of capital in reserve}}) = \underbrace{S(0)}_{\text{initial stock price}}$$

By def'n, $\mathbb{P}[S(T) + \varphi \cdot S(0) < S(0)] = 0.03$

B.S Model: $S(T) = S(0) e^{(\alpha - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z}$

$$\mathbb{P}[\cancel{S(0)} e^{(\alpha - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z} + \varphi \cdot \cancel{S(0)} < \cancel{S(0)}] = 0.03$$

$$\mathbb{P}[e^{(\alpha - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}) \cdot T + \sigma \sqrt{T} \cdot Z} < \underbrace{1 - \varphi}_{\text{The 3rd quantile of}}] = 0.03$$

$$\text{qnorm}(0.03) = -1.880794$$

$$e^{(0.15 - \frac{0.16}{2}) \cdot 4 + 0.4 \sqrt{4} \cdot (-1.88)} = 1 - \varphi$$

$$\boxed{\varphi = 0.7059} \blacksquare$$