

## Geometric Brownian Motion (Lognormal Model)

$$\begin{aligned}
dS(t) &= (\alpha - \delta)S(t)dt + \sigma S(t)dZ(t) \\
dC(S, t) &= C_s ds + \frac{1}{2}C_{ss}(ds)^2 + C_t dt \\
&= C_s ds[(\alpha - \delta)dt + \frac{1}{2}C_{ss}[(\alpha - \delta)^2 dt^2 + 2(\alpha - \delta)\sigma dt dZ(t) + (S(t))^2 \sigma^2 dZ(t)^2] \\
&\quad + \sigma dZ(t)]S(t) + C_t dt \\
&= C_s ds(\alpha - \delta)S(t) + \sigma S(t)dZ(t)C_s + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S(t)^2 + C_t dt \\
&= [(\alpha - \delta)S(t)C_s + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 C_{ss}]dt + \sigma S(t)C_s dZ(t) + C_t dt
\end{aligned}$$

The first line follows by Ito's Lemma.

The second line follows since

$$\begin{aligned}
dt dZ(t) &= dt Y(t) \sqrt{dt} = dt^{3/2} Y(t) = 0 \\
dt^2 &= 0 \\
dZ(t)^2 &= (dt^{1/2} Y(t))^2 = dt(1) = dt
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $C(S, t) = \ln S(t)$ . The partial derivatives can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned}
C_s &= \frac{\partial C}{\partial S} = \frac{1}{S} \\
C_{ss} &= \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2} = -\frac{1}{S^2} \\
C_t &= \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

We can plug these into our formula for  $dC(S, t)$

$$\begin{aligned}
dC(S, t) &= [(\alpha - \delta)S \frac{1}{S} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 S^2 (-\frac{1}{S^2})]dt + \sigma S \frac{1}{S} dZ(t) + (0)dt \\
dC(S, t) &= (\alpha - \delta)dt + \sigma dZ - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 dt \\
d \ln(S(t)) &= (\alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)dt + \sigma dZ \\
\int d \ln S(t) &= \int (\alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)dt + \int \sigma dZ \\
\ln(S(t)) - \ln(S(0)) &= (\alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2) \int dt + \sigma \int dz \\
\ln(S(t)) &= \ln(S(0)) + (\alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma Z(t) \\
S(t) &= S(0)e^{(\alpha - \delta - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma Z(t)}
\end{aligned}$$