QUESTION

Suppose that the holder of the call option of question 1 exercise 6 becomes bored with waiting for it to mature. She decides to sell it after 7 months to someone else, when the asset price is \$45. Calculate a fair price for the option at that time.

ANSWER

We use data as above but now the value of the option is at $t = \frac{7}{12} = 0.583$ with S = \$45 (D = 0).

$$C\left(45, \frac{7}{12}\right) = 45N(d_1) - 50e^{-0.05(1-0.583)}N(d_2)$$

$$d_1 = \frac{\log\left(\frac{45}{50}\right) + \left(0.05 + \frac{0.03^2}{2}\right)\left(\frac{7}{12}\right)}{0.3\left(1 - \frac{7}{12}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = -0.3397$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\log\left(\frac{45}{50}\right) + \left(0.05 - \frac{0.3^2}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{7}{12}\right)}{0.3\left(1 - \frac{7}{12}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = -0.5333$$

$$N(-0.3397) = 0.3669$$

$$N(-0.5337) = 0.3009$$

$$N(-0.5333) = 0.2981$$

$$C\left(45, \frac{7}{12}\right) = 45 \times 0.3669 - 50e^{-0.05(1-0.583)} \times 0.2981$$

$$= 1.9128$$

So if holder sells they make -2.2764 + 1.19128 = -0.3636.