

# Integral Solutions - Integral Four

## Barrier Integral Solutions

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We will define the variable  $\mu$  to be expected return mean, the variable  $\phi$  to be the dividend yield, and the variable  $\sigma$  to be expected return volatility. We will define the variables  $\alpha$  and  $v$  to be the mean and variance, respectively, of a Brownian motion over the time interval  $[0, t]$ . The equations for the Brownian motion's mean and variance are...

$$\alpha = \left( \mu - \phi - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \right) t \text{ ...and... } v = \sigma^2 t \quad (1)$$

We will define the function  $a(m, w)$  to be the joint distribution function of the value of a Brownian motion ( $w$ ) at time  $t$  and its maximum or minimum ( $m$ ) over the time interval  $[0, t]$ . The equation for the joint distribution function is... [1]

$$a(m, w) = \frac{2(w - 2m)}{v\sqrt{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2m - w)^2 \right\} \quad (2)$$

The equation for the anti-derivative of Equation (2) above is...

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta m} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2m - w)^2 \right\} = a(m, w) \quad (3)$$

The equation for the anti-derivative of the product of Equation (2) above and the exponential of the random variable  $w$  is...

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta m} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2m - w)^2 \right\} = \text{Exp} \left\{ w \right\} a(m, w) \quad (4)$$

We will define the function  $CNDF(x, \text{mean}, \text{variance})$  to be the cumulative normal distribution function of the normally-distributed random variable  $x$ . The equation for the cumulative normal distribution function is...

$$CNDF(x, \mu, v) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v}(w - \mu)^2 \right\} \delta w \text{ ...where... } x \sim N[\mu, v] \quad (5)$$

The Excel function for the cumulative normal distribution function as defined by Equation (5) above is...

$$CNDF(x, \mu, v) = \text{NORMDIST}(x, \mu, \sqrt{v}, \text{True}) \quad (6)$$

## Integral Definitions

Using Equation (2) above we want to solve integral one, which is defined as...

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \int_{m=a}^{m=b} a(m, w) \delta m \delta w \\ &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2m - w)^2 \right\} \left[ \int_{m=a}^{m=b} \delta w \right] \\ &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2b - w)^2 \right\} \delta w - \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v}(2a - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

Using Equation (2) above we want to solve integral two, which is defined as...

$$\begin{aligned}
I_2 &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \int_{m=a}^{m=b} \text{Exp} \left\{ w \right\} a(m, w) \delta w \\
&= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \left[ \int_{m=a}^{m=b} \delta w \right. \\
&= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2b - w)^2 \right\} \delta w - \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2a - w)^2 \right\} \delta w
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

## Integral Solutions

**A.** Using Equation (7) above we want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where... } m = \text{constant} \tag{9}$$

Note that we can rewrite Equation (9) above as...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w^2 + 4m^2 - 4mw - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2) \right\} \delta w \tag{10}$$

We will make the following definition...

$$(w - \alpha - 2m)^2 = w^2 + 4m^2 - 4mw - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2 + 4m\alpha \tag{11}$$

Using Equation (11) above we can rewrite Equation (10) above as...

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - \alpha - 2m)^2 \right\} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{1}{2v} 4m\alpha \right\} \delta w \\
&= \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{2m\alpha}{v} \right\} \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - (\alpha + 2m))^2 \right\} \delta w
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Using Equation (5) above the solution to Equation (12) above is...

$$I = \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{2m\alpha}{v} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(d, \alpha + 2m, v) - \text{CNDF}(c, \alpha + 2m, v) \right] \tag{13}$$

**B.** Using Equation (7) above we want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where... } m = \text{random variable } w \tag{14}$$

Note that we can rewrite Equation (14) above as...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w^2 - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2) \right\} \delta w \tag{15}$$

We will make the following definition...

$$(w - \alpha)^2 = w^2 - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2 \tag{16}$$

Using Equation (16) above we can rewrite Equation (15) above as...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - \alpha)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad (17)$$

Using Equation (5) above the solution to Equation (17) above is...

$$I = \text{CNDF}(d, \alpha, v) - \text{CNDF}(c, \alpha, v) \quad (18)$$

C. Using Equation (8) above we want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where... } m = \text{constant} \quad (19)$$

Note that we can rewrite Equation (19) above as...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w^2 + 4m^2 - 4mw - 2\alpha w - 2vw + \alpha^2) \right\} \delta w \quad (20)$$

We will make the following definition...

$$(w - \alpha - v - 2m)^2 = w^2 + 4m^2 - 4mw - 2\alpha w - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2 + 4m\alpha + 4mv + 2\alpha v + v^2 \quad (21)$$

Using Equation (21) above we can rewrite Equation (20) above as...

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - \alpha - v - 2m)^2 \right\} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{1}{2v} (4m\alpha + 4mv + 2\alpha v + v^2) \right\} \delta w \\ &= \text{Exp} \left\{ \alpha + \frac{v}{2} + 2m + \frac{2m\alpha}{v} \right\} \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - (\alpha + v + 2m))^2 \right\} \delta w \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Using Equation (5) above the solution to Equation (22) above is...

$$I = \text{Exp} \left\{ \alpha + \frac{v}{2} + 2m + \frac{2m\alpha}{v} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(d, \alpha + v + 2m, v) - \text{CNDF}(c, \alpha + v + 2m, v) \right] \quad (23)$$

D. Using Equation (8) above we want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where... } m = \text{random variable } w \quad (24)$$

Note that we can rewrite Equation (24) above as...

$$I = \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w^2 - 2\alpha w - 2vw + \alpha^2) \right\} \delta w \quad (25)$$

We will make the following definition...

$$(w - \alpha - v)^2 = w^2 - 2\alpha w + \alpha^2 + 2\alpha v + v^2 \quad (26)$$

Using Equation (26) above we can rewrite Equation (25) above as...

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - \alpha - v)^2 \right\} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{1}{2v} (2\alpha v + v^2) \right\} \delta w \\ &= \text{Exp} \left\{ \alpha + \frac{v}{2} \right\} \int_{w=c}^{w=d} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2v} (w - (\alpha + v))^2 \right\} \delta w \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Using Equation (5) above the solution to Equation (27) above is...

$$I = \text{Exp} \left\{ \alpha + \frac{v}{2} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(d, \alpha + v, v) - \text{CNDF}(c, \alpha + v, v) \right] \quad (28)$$

## Examples

For the examples below we will assume that  $\alpha = 0.05$  and  $v = 0.18$ .

**Example 1:** We want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=0.25}^{w=\infty} \int_{m=-0.20}^{m=0.00} a(m, w) \delta m \delta w = \int_{w=0.25}^{w=\infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \left[_{m=-0.20}^{m=0.00} \delta w \right] \quad (29)$$

Using Equation (7) above we can rewrite Equation (29) above as the difference between the following two integrals...

$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= \int_{w=0.25}^{w=\infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where} \dots m = 0 \\ I_b &= \int_{w=0.25}^{w=\infty} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where} \dots m = -0.20 \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Using Equation (13) the solutions to Equation (30) above is...

$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{2 \times 0 \times 0.05}{0.18} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(\infty, 0.05 + 2 \times 0, 0.18) - \text{CNDF}(0.25, 0.05 + 2 \times 0, 0.18) \right] \\ &= 1 - \text{CNDF}(0.25, 0.05 + 2 \times 0, 0.18) \\ &= 0.31868 \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_b &= \text{Exp} \left\{ \frac{2 \times -0.20 \times 0.05}{0.18} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(\infty, 0.05 + 2 \times -0.20, 0.18) - \text{CNDF}(0.25, 0.05 + 2 \times -0.20, 0.18) \right] \\ &= 1 - \text{CNDF}(0.25, 0.05 + 2 \times -0.20, 0.18) \\ &= 0.07038 \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Using Equations (31) and (32) the answer to the problem is...

$$I = 0.31868 - 0.07038 = 0.24830 \quad (33)$$

**Example 2:** We want to solve the following integral...

$$I = \int_{w=-0.40}^{w=0.00} \int_{m=-0.80}^{m=w} \text{Exp} \left\{ w \right\} a(m, w) \delta m \delta w = \int_{w=-0.40}^{w=0.00} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \left[_{m=-0.80}^{m=w} \delta w \right] \quad (34)$$

Using Equation (8) above we can rewrite Equation (34) above as the difference between the following two integrals...

$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= \int_{w=-0.40}^{w=0.00} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where} \dots m = w \\ I_b &= \int_{w=-0.40}^{w=0.00} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi v}} \text{Exp} \left\{ w + \frac{\alpha w}{v} - \frac{\alpha^2}{2v} - \frac{1}{2v} (2m - w)^2 \right\} \delta w \quad \dots \text{where} \dots m = -0.80 \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Equation (28)

$$I_a = \text{Exp} \left\{ 0.05 + \frac{0.18}{2} \right\} \left[ \text{CNDF}(0, 0.05 + 0.18, 0.18) - \text{CNDF}(-0.40, 0.05 + 0.18, 0.18) \right] \quad (36)$$

Equation (23)

$$I_b = \text{Exp} \left\{ 0.05 + \frac{0.18}{2} + 2 \times 0 - 0.80 + \frac{2 \times -0.80 \times 0.05}{0.18} \right\} \\ \left[ CND F(0, \alpha + 0.18 + 2 \times -0.80, 0.18) - CND F(-0.40, 0.05 + 0.18 + 2 \times -0.80, 0.18) \right] \quad (37)$$

## References

- [1] Integral Solutions - Integral Two (Joint Distribution Anti-Derivative), Schurman