A Delayed Option Pricing Formula

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Objective: To derive an option pricing formula under stock-dynamics with finite memory. (Theorem 4).

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admits a pathwise unique solution S for a given $\mathcal{F}_0$-measurable initial process $\varphi : \Omega \to C([-L,0], \boldsymbol{R})$. If $\varphi(0) > 0$ a.s., then $S(t) > 0$ a.s. for all $t \geq 0$.

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Define minimum delay $l := \min\{a, b\} > 0$.

Let $t \in [0, l]$. The delayed stock model gives

$$\left.\begin{aligned} dS(t) &= S(t)[h(t, \varphi(t-a))\,dt + g(\varphi(t-b))\,dW(t)] \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad t \in [0, l] \\ S(0) &= \varphi(0). \end{aligned}\right\} \qquad (1)$$

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$$dS(t) = S(t)\, dN(t), \quad t > 0, \qquad S(0) = \varphi(0),$$

with the unique solution:

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\begin{aligned}
S(t) &= \varphi(0)\exp\{N(t) - \frac{1}{2}[N,N](t)\}, \\
&= \varphi(0)\exp\Big\{\int_0^t h(u,\varphi(u-a))\,du \\
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for $t \in [0,l]$. This implies that $S(t) > 0$ almost surely for all $t \in [0,l]$, when $\varphi(0) > 0$ a.s..

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Above argument also gives existence and pathwise uniqueness of the strong solution to the delayed stock model. $\diamond$

Remark 1

In the delayed stock model, we need only require $\varphi(0) \geq 0$ (or $\varphi(0) > 0$) to conclude that a.s. $S(t) \geq 0$ for all $t \geq 0$ (or $S(t) > 0$ for all $t \geq 0$, resp.).

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where $f : [0, T] \times C([-L, T], \mathbf{R}) \to \mathbf{R}$ is a continuous functional; and $S^t \in C([-L, T], \mathbf{R})$, $t \in [-L, T]$, is defined by

$$S^t(s) := S(t \wedge s), \ \ s \in [-L, T],$$

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$$\widetilde{S}(t) := \frac{S(t)}{B(t)} = e^{-rt}S(t), \qquad t \in [0,T],$$

be the discounted stock price. Then by the product rule:

$$\begin{aligned} d\widetilde{S}(t) &= e^{-rt}dS(t) + S(t)(-re^{-rt})\,dt \\ &= \widetilde{S}(t)\Big[\big\{h(t, S(t-a)) - r\big\}\,dt \\ &\qquad + g\big(S(t-b)\big)\,dW(t)\Big]. \end{aligned}$$

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$$d\widetilde{S}(t) = \widetilde{S}(t)\, d\widehat{S}(t), \quad 0 < t < T. \qquad (2)$$

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$$\varrho(t) := \exp\left\{ \int_0^t \Sigma(u)\, dW(u) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t |\Sigma(u)|^2\, du \right\},$$

for $t \in [0,T]$. *Suppose that* $E_P(\varrho(T)) = 1$, *where* E_P *denotes expectation with respect to the probability measure* P. *Define the probability measure* Q *on* $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ *by* $dQ := \varrho(T)\, dP$.

Theorem 2 – Cont'd

Then the process

$$\widehat{W}(t) := W(t) - \int_0^t \Sigma(u)\,du, \qquad t \in [0, T],$$

is a standard Wiener process under the measure Q.

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Thus $\int_0^T |\Sigma(u)|^2 du < \infty$ a.s..

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Hence, the stochastic integral $\int_{T-l}^{T} \Sigma(u)\, dW(u)$ *conditioned on* $\mathcal{F}_{T-l}$ has a normal distribution with mean zero and variance $\int_{T-l}^{T} \Sigma(u)^2\, du$.

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By normality (e.g. moment generating function):

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This implies:

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Let k to be a positive integer such that $0 \leq T - kl \leq l$. Successive conditioning using backward steps of length l, and induction give:

$$E_P\left(\exp\left\{\int_0^T \Sigma(u)\,dW(u) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^T |\Sigma(u)|^2 du\right\}\Bigg|\,\mathcal{F}_{T-kl}\right)$$
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Take conditional expectation with respect to $\mathcal{F}_0$ on both sides of above equation:

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Martingale Measure

Therefore, the Girsanov theorem (Theorem 2) applies and the process

$$\widehat{W}(t) := W(t) + \int_0^t \frac{\{h(u, S(u-a)) - r\}}{g\big(S(u-b)\big)} du, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

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Since

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$$M(t) := E_Q(e^{-rT} X \,|\, \mathcal{F}_t^S) = E_Q(e^{-rT} X \,|\, \mathcal{F}_t^{\widehat{W}}),$$

for $t \in [0, T]$.

Completeness– Cont'd

By the martingale representation theorem, there exists an $(\mathcal{F}_t^{\widehat{W}})$-predictable process $h_0(t)$, $t \in [0, T]$, such that

$$\int_0^T h_0(u)^2 \, du < \infty \qquad a.s.,$$

and

$$M(t) = E_Q(e^{-rT} X) + \int_0^t h_0(u) \, d\widehat{W}(u), \qquad t \in [0, T].$$

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for $t \in [0,T]$.

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Consider the strategy $\{(\pi_B(t), \pi_S(t)) : t \in [0, T]\}$ which consists of holding $\pi_S(t)$ units of the stock and $\pi_B(t)$ units of the bond at time t. The value of the portfolio at any time $t \in [0, T]$ is:

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By the product rule and the definition of the strategy $\{(\pi_B(t), \pi_S(t)) : t \in [0, T]\}$, get

$$\begin{aligned} dV(t) &= e^{rt}dM(t) + M(t)d(e^{rt}) \\ &= \pi_B(t)d(e^{rt}) + \pi_S(t)dS(t), \end{aligned}$$

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For the augmented market $\{B(t), S(t), X : t \in [0,T]\}$ to satisfy the no-arbitrage property, the price of the claim X must be

$$V(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} E_Q(X \mid \mathcal{F}_t^S)$$

at each $t \in [0,T]$ a.s. See, e.g., [B.R] or Theorem 9.2 in [K.K].

Delayed Option Pricing Formula

Summarize above discussion in the following formula for the fair price $V(t)$ of an option on the delayed stock.

Theorem 3

Suppose that the stock price S is given by the delayed stock model, where $\varphi(0) > 0$ and g satisfies the given hypotheses. Let T be the maturity time of an option (contingent claim) on the stock with payoff function X, i.e., X is an $\mathcal{F}_T^S$-measurable non-negative integrable random variable. Then at any time $t \in [0, T]$, the fair price $V(t)$ of the option is given by the formula

$$V(t) = e^{-r(T-t)} E_Q(X \mid \mathcal{F}_t^S), \tag{6}$$

Theorem 3 – Cont'd

where Q *denotes the probability measure on* $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ *defined by* $dQ := \varrho(T)\,dP$ *with*

$$\varrho(t) := \exp\left\{ -\int_0^t \frac{\{h(u, S(u-a)) - r\}}{g\big(S(u-b)\big)}\,dW(u) \right.$$

$$\left. -\frac{1}{2}\int_0^t \left| \frac{h(u, S(u-a)) - r}{g\big(S(u-b)\big)} \right|^2 du \right\}$$

for $t \in [0, T]$.

Theorem 3 – Cont'd

The measure Q is a local martingale measure and the market is complete.

Moreover, there is an adapted and square integrable process $h_0(u),\ u \in [0,T]$ such that

$$E_Q(e^{-rT}X \,|\, \mathcal{F}_t^S) = E_Q(e^{-rT}X) + \int_0^t h_0(u)\, d\widehat{W}(u),$$

for $t \in [0,T]$,where $\widehat{W}$ is a standard Q-Wiener process given by

Theorem 3 – Cont'd

$$\widehat{W}(t) := W(t) + \int_0^t \frac{\{h(u, S(u-a)) - r\}}{g\big(S(u-b)\big)} du, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

The hedging strategy is given by

$$\pi_S(t) := \frac{h_0(t)}{\widetilde{S}(t) g\big(S(t-b)\big)}, \qquad (7)$$

$$\pi_B(t) := M(t) - \pi_S(t)\widetilde{S}(t),$$

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Theorem 4

Assume the conditions of Theorem 3. Let $V(t)$ be the fair price of a European call option written on the stock S with exercise price K and maturity time T. Let φ denote the standard normal distribution function:

$$\varphi(x) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{x} e^{-u^2/2}\, du, \qquad x \in \boldsymbol{R}.$$

Then for all $t \in [T-l, T]$ (where $l := \min\{a, b\}$), $V(t)$ is given by

$$V(t) = S(t)\varphi(\beta_+(t)) - Ke^{-r(T-t)}\varphi(\beta_-(t)), \qquad (8)$$

Theorem 4 – Cont'd

where

$$\beta_{\pm}(t) := \frac{\log \frac{S(t)}{K} + \int_t^T \left(r \pm \frac{1}{2} g(S(u-b))^2\right) du}{\sqrt{\int_t^T g(S(u-b))^2 du}}.$$

If $T > l$ *and* $t < T - l$, *then*

$$V(t) = e^{rt} E_Q \left(H \left(\widetilde{S}(T-l), -\frac{1}{2} \int_{T-l}^{T} g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du, \int_{T-l}^{T} g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du \right) \Bigg| \mathcal{F}_t \right) \tag{9}$$

Theorem 4 – Cont'd

where H *is given by*

$$H(x,m,\sigma^2) := xe^{m+\sigma^2/2}\varphi(\alpha_1(x,m,\sigma)) - Ke^{-rT}\varphi(\alpha_2(x,m,\sigma)),$$

and

$$\alpha_1(x,m,\sigma) := \frac{1}{\sigma}\left[\log\left(\frac{x}{K}\right) + rT + m + \sigma^2\right],$$

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for $\sigma, x \in \boldsymbol{R}^+$, $m \in \boldsymbol{R}$.

Theorem 4 – Cont'd

The hedging strategy is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_S(t) &= \varphi(\beta_+(t)), \\ \pi_B(t) &= -Ke^{-rT}\varphi(\beta_-(t)), \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

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In contrast with the classical (non-delayed) Black and Scholes formula, the fair price $V(t)$ in the delayed model in Theorem 4 depends not only on the stock price $S(t)$ at the present time t, but also on the whole segment $\{S(v) : v \in [t-b, T-b]\}$. ($[t-b, T-b] \subset [0, t]$ since $t \geq T - l$ and $l \leq b$.)

Proof of Theorem 4

Consider a European call option in the above market with exercise price K and maturity time T. Taking $X = (S(T) - K)^+$ in Theorem 3, the fair price $V(t)$ of the option is given by

$$\begin{aligned} V(t) &= e^{-r(T-t)} E_Q\big(\big(S(T) - K\big)^+ \,|\, \mathcal{F}_t\big) \\ &= e^{rt} E_Q\big(\big(\widetilde{S}(T) - K e^{-rT}\big)^+ \,|\, \mathcal{F}_t\big), \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

at any time $t \in [0, T]$.

Proof of Theorem 4 – Cont'd

We now derive an explicit formula for the option price $V(t)$ at any time $t \in [T-l, T]$. The representation (5) of $\widetilde{S}(t)$ implies:

$$\widetilde{S}(T) = \widetilde{S}(t) \exp\left\{ \int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)\, d\widehat{W}(u) \right.$$
$$\left. - \frac{1}{2} \int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du \right\}$$

for all $t \in [0, T]$. Clearly $\widetilde{S}(t)$ is $\mathcal{F}_t$-measurable. If $t \in [T-l, T]$, then $-\frac{1}{2} \int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du$ is also $\mathcal{F}_t$-measurable.

Proof of Theorem 4 – Cont'd

Furthermore, when conditioned on $\mathcal{F}_t$, the distribution of $\int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)\, d\widehat{W}(u)$ under Q is the same as that of $\sigma\xi$, where ξ is a Gaussian $N(0,1)$-distributed random variable, and $\sigma^2 = \int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du$. Consequently, the fair price at time t is given by

$$V(t) = e^{rt} H\left(\widetilde{S}(t), -\frac{1}{2}\int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du, \int_t^T g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du\right),$$

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where

$$H(x, m, \sigma^2) := E_Q(xe^{m+\sigma\xi} - Ke^{-rT})^+,$$

for $\sigma, x \in \mathbf{R}^+$, $m \in \mathbf{R}$. Now, an elementary computation yields the following:

$$H(x, m, \sigma^2) = xe^{m+\sigma^2/2}\varphi(\alpha_1(x, m, \sigma)) - Ke^{-rT}\varphi(\alpha_2(x, m, \sigma)).$$

Proof of Theorem 4 – Cont'd

Therefore, $V(t)$ takes the form:

$$V(t) = S(t)\varphi(\beta_+) - Ke^{-r(T-t)}\varphi(\beta_-), \qquad (12)$$

where

$$\beta_\pm = \frac{\log \frac{S(t)}{K} + \int_t^T \left(r \pm \frac{1}{2}g(S(u-b))^2\right) du}{\sqrt{\int_t^T g(S(u-b))^2 du}}.$$

Proof of Theorem 4 – Cont'd

For $T > l$ and $t < T - l$, from the representation (5) of $\widetilde{S}(t)$, we have

$$\widetilde{S}(T) = \widetilde{S}(T-l)\exp\left\{\int_{T-l}^{T} g\big(S(u-b)\big)\, d\widehat{W}(u) - \frac{1}{2}\int_{T-l}^{T} g\big(S(u-b)\big)^2 du\right\}.$$

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To calculate the hedging strategy for $t \in [T - \ell, T]$, it suffices to use an idea from [B.R], pages 95–96. This completes the proof of the theorem. $\diamond$

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Above time-dependent random final-value problem admits a unique $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t\geq 0}$-adapted random field $F(t,x)$.

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for $t \in (0, T]$.

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Follows by an argument similar to the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 5

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$$V(t) = E_Q(X \mid \mathcal{F}_t^S) e^{-\int_t^T \lambda(s)\, ds}, \tag{15}$$

where Q denotes the probability measure on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ defined by $dQ := \varrho(T)\, dP$ with

Theorem 5 – Cont'd

$$\varrho(t) := \exp\left\{ -\int_0^t \frac{\{f(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor)) - \lambda(u)\}}{g(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor))}\, dW(u) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^t \left| \frac{f(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor)) - \lambda(u)}{g(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor))} \right|^2 du \right\}$$

for $t \in [0, T]$. *The measure* Q *is a local martingale measure and the market is complete.*

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Moreover, there is an adapted and square integrable process $h_1(t),\ t \in [0,T]$*, such that*

$$E_Q\left(\frac{X}{\xi(T)}\,\middle|\,\mathcal{F}_t^S\right) = E_Q\left(\frac{X}{\xi(T)}\right) + \int_0^t h_1(u)\,d\widehat{W}(u),$$
$$t \in [0,T],$$

where

$$\widehat{W}(t) := W(t) + \int_0^t \frac{\{f(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor)) - \lambda(u)\}}{g(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor))}\,du,\ \ t \in [0,T].$$

Theorem 5 – Cont'd

The hedging strategy is given by

$$\pi_S(t) := \frac{h_1(t)}{\widetilde{S}(t)g(t, S(\lfloor t \rfloor))}, \qquad (16)$$

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where

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Theorem 6 – Cont'd

If $T > h$ *and* $t < T - \lfloor T \rfloor$, *then*

$$V(t) = e^{\int_0^t \lambda(s)ds} E_Q \left(H \left(\widetilde{S}(T - \lfloor T \rfloor), -\frac{1}{2} \int_{T-\lfloor T \rfloor}^{T} g(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor))^2 du, \int_{T-\lfloor T \rfloor}^{T} g(u, S(\lfloor u \rfloor))^2 du \right) \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right) \quad (18)$$

where H *is given by*

Theorem 6 – Cont'd

$$H(x,m,\sigma^2) := xe^{m+\sigma^2/2}\varphi(\alpha_1(x,m,\sigma)) \\ - K\varphi(\alpha_2(x,m,\sigma))e^{-\int_0^T \lambda(s)ds},$$

and

$$\alpha_1(x,m,\sigma) := \frac{1}{\sigma}\left[\log\left(\frac{x}{K}\right) + \int_0^T \lambda(s)ds + m + \sigma^2\right],$$

$$\alpha_2(x,m,\sigma) := \frac{1}{\sigma}\left[\log\left(\frac{x}{K}\right) + \int_0^T \lambda(s)ds + m\right],$$

for $\sigma, x \in \boldsymbol{R}^+$, $m \in \boldsymbol{R}$.

Theorem 6 – Cont'd

The hedging strategy is given by

$$\pi_S(t) = \varphi(\beta_+(t)),$$

$$\pi_\xi(t) = -K\varphi(\beta_-(t))e^{-\int_0^T \lambda(s)ds},$$

for $t \in \left[T - \lfloor T \rfloor, T\right]$.

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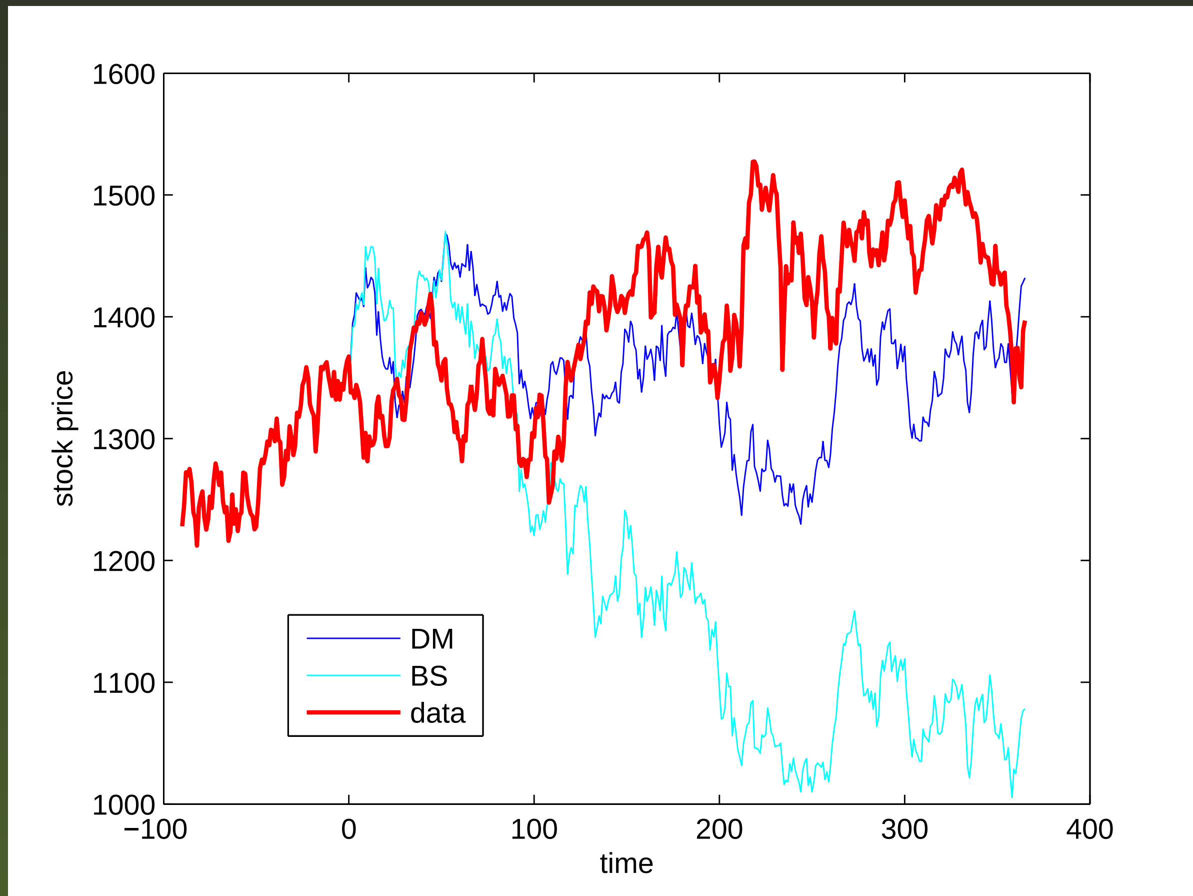

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