An Investor’s Investment Plan with Stochastic Interest Rate under the CEV Model and the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to maximize an investor’s terminal wealth which exhibits constant relative risk aversion (CRRA). Considering the fluctuating nature of the stock market price, it is imperative for investors to study and develop an effective investment plan that considers the volatility of the stock market price and the fluctuation in interest rate. To achieve this, the optimal investment plan for an investor with logarithm utility under constant elasticity of variance (CEV) model in the presence of stochastic interest rate is considered. Also, a portfolio with one risk free asset and two risky assets is considered where the risk free interest rate follows the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck (O-U) process and the two risky assets follow the CEV process. Using the Legendre transformation and dual theory with asymptotic expansion technique, closed form solutions of the optimal investment plans are obtained. Furthermore, the impacts of some sensitive parameters on the optimal investment plans are analyzed numerically. We observed that the optimal investment plan for the three assets give a fluctuation effect, showing that the investor’s behaviour in his investment pattern changes at different time intervals due to some information available in the financial market such as the fluctuations in the risk free interest rate occasioned by the O-U process, appreciation rates of the risky assets prices and the volatility of the stock market price due to changes in the elasticity parameters. Also, the optimal investment plans for the risky assets are directly proportional to the elasticity parameters and inversely proportional to the risk free interest rate and does not depend on the risk averse coefficient.

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1. Introduction

In the study of the optimal investment plan for any financial institution and considering the fact that the economy of most countries and even the financial markets are presently in serious crisis due to the suffocating impact of the novel Covid-19 pandemic, the role of stochastic volatilities cannot be over emphasized as it plays a significant role in the behaviour of the stock market price due to its unstable nature resulting from various information obtainable from the market. In order to take a seemingly right decision while investing in risky assets such as stock, the stochastic volatility models become necessary to understand the random nature of the stock market price. In this paper, we consider the CEV model which is one of the stochastic volatility models used in describing the behaviour of the stock market price. This model was first used in [2] and degenerate into a constant volatility model called the geometric Brownian motion (GBM) when its elasticity parameter equals zero. One significant property of this model is its ability to capture the...
implied volatility skew.

Several works have been done on utility maximization under the CEV model, some of which include [3] - [5]. In [6], the reinsurance problem and optimal investment under the CEV model was studied. [1], studied the optimal investment problem with taxes, dividend and transaction cost using different utility functions under the CEV process. [7, 8] solved the optimal investment problem for a defined contribution (DC) pension plan with return of premiums clauses under different assumptions and assumed that the stock market price follows the CEV process; they used the game theoretic approach and solved the resultant extended Hamilton Jacobi Bellman equation for the optimal investment plan. The optimal investment plan with stochastic interest rate under GBM has been studied by some authors; those include [9], who studied the investment portfolio under stochastic interest rate for a case of protected DC fund. Also, [10, 11], used stochastic interest rate to obtain optimal investment plan for a DC plan. In [12, 13], the optimal investment plan with the Vasicek interest rate was studied while [14] - [16] solved some optimization problems for the optimal investment plan when the interest rate is of affine type.

The optimal investment plan with the CEV process under several assumptions has been studied by different authors when the risk free interest rate are constant as seen in the above literatures except for [17] - [19], who investigated the optimal control strategies under the CEV model with stochastic interest rate. In [17], the optimal investment plan of an insurer with stochastic interest rate under the CEV model was studied using logarithm utility, they assumed that the risk free interest rate follows the Cox-Ingersoll-Ross (CIR) process and used the power transformation, change of variable and asymptotic approach to find the asymptotic solution of the optimal investment plan. In [18], the expected utility of an investor with exponential utility function was maximized using the Legendre transformation and asymptotic expansion method to find a closed form solution of the optimal investment plan. They pointed out that authors find it difficult to combine the CEV model and stochastic interest rate in determining investment strategies due to the complexity of the resultant optimization problem. Also, they pointed out that in real life applications, interest rates are usually not constant but fluctuating in nature and the volatility of the interest rate generate some market risks; that is to say, when this risk are not considered, we are under estimating the effect of this risk emanating from this interest rate which is critical in influencing the prices of different assets available in financial market. In [19], the optimal investment plan for an investor with exponential utility under the modified CEV model was studied. In their work, the risk free rate follows the O-U process. Most of the literatures mentioned above used the (CIR) model, Vasicek model, affine model etc. to model their interest rate, however very few used O-U process. According to [21], we know that it is more accurate to use O-U process in modelling both interest rate and stock market price since it reflects the fluctuation of the interest rates and asset prices. Also, the O-U process is closer to the change in interest rate.

Based on this important characteristic of the O-U process and considering the unstable nature of the financial market at this present time, we are motivated to develop a robust investment plan for an investor with logarithm utility which takes into considerations fluctuations in interest rate as well as the volatility of the stock market prices. We do this by studying the optimal investment plans of an investor exhibiting the CRRA and whose risky assets and risk free interest rate are modelled by the CEV process and the O-U process respectively. Furthermore, the Legendre transformation and asymptotic technique are used to determine asymptotic solutions of the optimal investment plan. We also give some numerical simulations to explain our results. The main difference between our work and that of [18] is that we will consider an investor with logarithm utility where the investor’s behaviour toward risks are not influenced by the risk aversion coefficient instead of the exponential utility which depend on the risk aversion coefficient. Also, investment is done with three assets instead of two assets and the risk free interest rate follows the O-U process instead of the CIR process. The rest of the paper is outlined as follows; Section 2 described the financial models of the three assets and the risk free rate. Section 3 gives the definition of the value function, derives the corresponding Hamilton Jacobi Bellman equations by maximum principle and application of Legendre transform to the HJB equation. Section 4 provides closed-form solutions of the optimal investment plan for the three assets under CRRA utility function. Section 5 and 6 present numerical simulations of the effects of some sensitive parameters on the optimal investment plan and discussions. Section 7 concludes the work.

2. The Financial Market Model

Consider a portfolio comprising of one risk free asset and two risky assets in a financial market which is open continuously for an interval $t \in [0, T]$ where $T$ is the expiration date of the investment. Let $\{B_0(t), B_1(t), B_2(t) : t \geq 0\}$ be standard Brownian motion defined on a complete probability space $(\Omega, F, P)$ where $\Omega$ is a real space and $P$ is a probability measure and $F$ is the filtration which represents the information generated by the three Brownian motions.

Let $S_t$ denote the price of the risk free asset at time $t$ and the model is given as follows

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_t} = r(t)dtS_0(0) = s_0 > 0$$ (1)

where $r(t)$ is the short interest rate process and driven by the stochastic differential equation

$$dr(t) = \theta(\mu_0 - r(t))dt - \delta dB_t(t), r(0) = r_0 > 0$$ (2)

where $\theta, \mu_0$ and $\delta$ are positive real numbers see [19] - [21].

Let $S_1(t)$ and $S_2(t)$ denote the prices of two different stocks which are described by the CEV model and the dynamics of the stock market prices are described by the stochastic differential equations at $t \geq 0$ as follows

$$\frac{dS_1(t)}{S_1(t)} = \mu_1 dt + \sigma_1 S_1^\beta(t)dB_1(t) + \sigma_1 S_1^\beta(t)dB_2(t)$$ (3)

$$\frac{dS_2(t)}{S_2(t)} = \mu_2 dt + \sigma_2 S_2^\beta(t)dB_1(t) + \sigma_2 S_2^\beta(t)dB_2(t)$$ (4)

$$dS_0(t) = r(t)dtS_0(0) = s_0 > 0$$ (1)
where $\mu_1$ and $\mu_2$ are appreciation rate of the two risky assets, $\sigma_{11}S_1^t$, $\sigma_{12}S_1^t$, $\sigma_{21}S_2^t$ and $\sigma_{22}S_2^t$ are instantaneous volatilities and form a $2 \times 2$ matrix $\sigma = \sigma_{11} \sigma_{12} \sigma_{21} \sigma_{22}$ such that $\sigma \sigma^T$ is positive definite and $\beta < 0$ represent elasticity parameter. (see [20] for details). Note if $\beta = 0$, the stock market price is modelled by GBM.

### 3. Optimization Problem

3.1. Wealth Formulations and HJB Equation

Let $\varphi$ be the optimal portfolio strategy and we define the utility attained by the investor from a given state $x$ at time $t$ as

$$L_\varphi(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) = E_\varphi \left[ U(X(T)) \left| S_1(t) = s_1, S_2(t) = s_2, X(t) = x \right. \right]$$

where $t$ is the time, $r$ is the risk free interest rate and $x$ is the wealth.

The objective here is to determine the optimal portfolio strategies $\varphi = (\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2)$ and the optimal value function of the investor $L(t, r, s_1, s_2, x)$ given as

$$L(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) = \sup_{\varphi} L_{\varphi^*}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x)$$

such that

$$L_{\varphi^*}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) = L(t, r, s_1, s_2, x).$$

Let $X(t)$ be the investor’s wealth at time $t$ and the differential form associated with the fund size is given by

$$dX(t) = X(t) \left( \frac{dS_0(t)}{S_0(t)} + \varphi_1 \frac{dS_1(t)}{S_1(t)} + \varphi_2 \frac{dS_2(t)}{S_2(t)} \right).$$

Substituting (1), (3) and (4) into (8), we have

$$dX(t) = X(t) \left( \frac{(\mu_1 - r) \varphi_0 + \varphi_1 \sigma_{11}S_1^t + \varphi_2 \sigma_{12}S_2^t}{S_0(t)} dt + \frac{\varphi_1 \sigma_{11}S_1^t + \varphi_2 \sigma_{21}S_2^t}{S_1(t)} dB_1 + \frac{\varphi_1 \sigma_{12}S_1^t + \varphi_2 \sigma_{22}S_2^t}{S_2(t)} dB_2 \right).$$

where $\varphi_0, \varphi_1$ and $\varphi_2$ are the optimal investment plans for the risk-free asset and the two risky assets respectively, such that $\varphi_0 = 1 - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2$.

From [19], applying the Ito’s lemma and maximum principle, the Hamilton Jacobi Bellman (HJB) equation which is a nonlinear PDE associated with (9) is obtained by maximizing $L_{\varphi^*}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x)$ subject to the investor’s wealth as follows

$$L_t + \mu_1 s_1 L_{s_1} + \mu_2 s_2 L_{s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{11}^2 s_1^2 L_{s_1 s_1} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{12}^2 s_1^2 L_{s_1 s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{21}^2 s_2^2 L_{s_1 s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{22}^2 s_2^2 L_{s_2 s_2} + \sigma_{11} \sigma_{12} s_1 s_2 L_{s_1 s_2} + r x L_x + \theta (\mu_0 - r) L_r + \frac{\beta x^2}{2} L_x x + \int_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2} ds x C_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2} = 0$$

Differentiating (10) with respect to $\varphi_1$ and $\varphi_2$, we obtain the first order maximizing condition for equation (10) as

$$\varphi_1^* = -\left( \frac{C_{t1}^\beta (\mu_1 - r) - C_{t2}^\beta (\mu_1 - r)}{x (AB-C)^2} \right) \frac{C_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2}}{x (AB-C)^2}$$

$$\varphi_2^* = -\left( \frac{C_{t1}^\beta (\mu_1 - r) - C_{t2}^\beta (\mu_1 - r)}{x (AB-C)^2} \right) \frac{C_{s_1, s_2}^\beta}{x (AB-C)^2}$$

Substituting (11) and (12) into (10), we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
L_t + \mu_1 s_1 L_{s_1} + \mu_2 s_2 L_{s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{11}^2 s_1^2 L_{s_1 s_1} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{12}^2 s_1^2 L_{s_1 s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{21}^2 s_2^2 L_{s_1 s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{22}^2 s_2^2 L_{s_2 s_2} + \sigma_{11} \sigma_{12} s_1 s_2 L_{s_1 s_2} + r x L_x + \theta (\mu_0 - r) L_r + \frac{\beta x^2}{2} L_x x + \int_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2} ds x C_{\varphi_1, \varphi_2} = 0.
\end{array} \right.$$
α_1 = \frac{F_n(AB - C^2)}{2(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)} - G,
α_2 = \frac{F_2\mu_1(\mu_1 - r)(AB - C^2)}{2(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)} - G.

\begin{align*}
\alpha_3 &= \frac{FA_\mu_2(\mu_2 - r)(AB - C^2)}{2C(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)} - H, \\
\alpha_4 &= \frac{F_\mu_1s_1(\mu_2 - r)(AB - C^2)}{2C(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)}, \\
\alpha_5 &= \frac{F_\mu_2s_2(\mu_2 - r)(AB - C^2)}{2C(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)}, \\
\alpha_6 &= \frac{(BD - CE)F_\mu_1\delta\rho}{2C(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)} - k_1\delta\rho(\mu_1 - r), \\
\alpha_7 &= \frac{(AE - CD)F_\mu_1\delta\rho}{2C(2\mu_1r - \mu_1r - \mu_2r)} - k_2\delta\rho(\mu_2 - r)
\end{align*}

3.2. Legendre Transformation and Dual Theory

The differential equation obtained in (17) is a non linear PDE and is somehow complex to solve. In this section, we will introduce the Legendre transformation and dual theory and use it to transform the non linear PDE to a linear PDE.

Let \( f : R^n \rightarrow R \) be a convex function for \( z > 0 \), define the Legendre transform

\[ N(z) = \max_x \{ f(x) - zx \}, \quad (18) \]

The function \( N(z) \) is the Legendre dual of the function \( f(x) \).

(c.f. [22])

Since \( f(x) \) is convex, from Theorem 3.2 and [21], the Legendre transform for the value function \( \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) \) can be defined as follows

\[ \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \sup \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) - zx \quad | \quad 0 < x < \infty \quad 0 < t < T \quad (19) \]

where \( \bar{L} \) is the dual of \( \mathcal{L} \) and \( z > 0 \) is the dual variable of \( x \).

The value of \( x \) where this optimum is achieved is represented by \( g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) \), such that

\[ g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \inf_x \left\{ \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) \geq zx + \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) \right\} \quad (0 < t < T). \quad (20) \]

From (20), the function \( g \) and \( \bar{L} \) are very much related and can be referred to as the dual of \( \mathcal{L} \) and are related thus,

\[ \bar{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \mathcal{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) - zx. \quad (21) \]

where

\[ g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = x, \quad L_x = z, \quad g = -\bar{L}_c. \quad (22) \]

Differentiating (21) with respect to \( t, r, s_1, s_2 \) and \( x \)

\[ \begin{cases}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{L}_t = \bar{L}_t, \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \mathcal{L}_r = \bar{L}_r, \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial s_1} \mathcal{L}_{s_1} = \bar{L}_{s_1}, \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial s_2} \mathcal{L}_{s_2} = \bar{L}_{s_2}, \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathcal{L}_x = z, \\
\end{cases} \quad (23) \]

At terminal time \( T \), we define the dual utility in terms of the original utility function \( U(x) \) as

\[ \hat{U}(z) = \sup_{x>0} U(x) - zx \quad 0 < x < \infty, \]

and

\[ G(z) = \sup\{ x | U(x) \geq zx + \hat{U}(z) \}, \quad (24) \]

As a result \( \hat{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \mathcal{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) - zg. \)

where \( G(z) \) is the inverse of the marginal utility \( U \) and note that \( \mathcal{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, x) = U(x) \).

At terminal time \( T \), we can define

\[ g(T, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \inf_{x > 0} \left\{ U(x) \geq zx + \hat{L}(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) \right\} \]

so that

\[ g(T, r, s_1, s_2, z) = (U')^{-1}(z). \quad (25) \]

Substituting (23) into (11), (12) and (17), we have

\[ \begin{cases}
\mathcal{L}_t + \mu_1s_1\mathcal{L}_{s_1} + \mu_2s_2\mathcal{L}_{s_2} + \mu_1r\mathcal{L}_r + \mu_2r\mathcal{L}_r + \mu_1\mathcal{L}_s + \mu_2\mathcal{L}_s + [r + \alpha_1]gz \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \alpha_1 s_1^2 \mathcal{L}_{s_1, s_1} + \frac{1}{2} \beta s_2^2 \mathcal{L}_{s_2, s_2} + \frac{1}{2} \beta r^2 \mathcal{L}_{r, r} + \delta \rho \mathcal{L}_{r, r} + \rho_1 \mathcal{L}_{r, s_1} + \rho_2 \mathcal{L}_{r, s_2} + \rho s_1 \mathcal{L}_{s_1, s_1} + \rho s_2 \mathcal{L}_{s_2, s_2}
\end{cases} = 0. \quad (26) \]

and

\[ \begin{cases}
g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = (U')^{-1}(z).
\end{cases} \quad (25) \]
From equation (22), differentiating (26), (27) and (28) with respect to \( z \), we have

\[
\begin{align*}
g_t + (\alpha_4 + rs_1) g_s + (\alpha_5 + rs_2) g_{s_1} \\
- (r + \alpha_1)g - (r + \alpha_2)g_z + \frac{1}{2} A^2 2^{2h_2} g_{s_2} \\
+ \frac{1}{2} B^2 2^{2h_2} g_{s_2} \\
+ C^2_1 2^{2h_2} g_{s_1} \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \theta (\mu_0 - r) g_r + D \delta p 1 \theta g_{s_1} \\
+ \delta p 1 \theta g_{s_1} \\
+ \delta p 1 \theta g_{s_1} = 0.29
\end{align*}
\]

(30)

\[
\varphi_1 = \left( \frac{C^1_1 (\mu_2 - r) - B^1_1 (\mu_2 - r)}{x (AB - C)} \right) + \left( \frac{C^1_1 (\mu_2 - r) - B^1_1 (\mu_2 - r)}{x (AB - C)} \right) g_r
\]

(31)

where, \( U(T, r, s_1, s_2, z) = U(z) \) and \( U(z) \) is the marginal utility of the investor. Next, we proceed to solve (29) for \( g \) considering an investor with logarithmic utility, then substitute the solution into (30) and (31) for the optimal investment plan using change of variable and asymptotic method.

4. Investor’s Optimal Investment Plan under Logarithmic Utility

Here, we consider an investor with utility function exhibiting constant relative risk aversion (CRRA) different from the one in [18] where the investor exhibited constant absolute risk aversion (CARA). Since our interest here is to determine the optimal investment plan for the investor with CRRA utility, we choose the logarithmic utility function similar to the one in [20, 21].

From [1, 21], the logarithm utility function is given as

\[ U(x) = \ln x, \quad x > 0 \]

From (25),

\[ g(T, r, s_1, s_2, z) = (U')^{-1}(z) = \frac{1}{z} \]

(32)

Next, we conjecture a solution to (21) similar to the one in [21] with the form:

\[
\begin{align*}
g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \frac{1}{z} [e(t, r, s_1) + f(t, r, s_2)] + h(t) \\
e(t, r, s_1) = \frac{1}{z}, \quad f(T, r, s_2) = \frac{1}{z}, \quad h(T) = 0
\end{align*}
\]

(33)

Substituting (34) into (29), we have

\[
\begin{align*}
\left[ h_t - (r + \alpha_1) h \right] \\
+ \frac{1}{z} \left[ e_t + \mu_1 s_1 e_s + \frac{1}{2} A^2 2^{2h_2} e_{s_1} \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \theta (\mu_0 - r) e_{s_1} + D \delta p 1 \theta e_{s_1} + f_t + \frac{1}{2} B^2 2^{2h_2} f_{s_2} \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \theta (\mu_0 - r) f_r + D \delta p 1 \theta f_{s_1} + f_r + \frac{1}{2} \theta^2 f_r = 0
\end{align*}
\]

(35)

Splitting (35) we have

\[ h_t - (r + \alpha_1) h = 0 \]

(36)

\[ h(T) = 0 \]

\[ e_t + \mu_1 s_1 e_s + \frac{1}{2} A^2 2^{2h_2} e_{s_1} + \frac{1}{2} \theta (\mu_0 - r) e_{s_1} + D \delta p 1 \theta e_{s_1} = 0 \]

(37)

\[ e_t - \mu_1 s_1 e_s + \frac{1}{2} A^2 2^{2h_2} e_{s_1} + D \delta p 1 \theta e_{s_1} + f_t + \frac{1}{2} B^2 2^{2h_2} f_{s_2} \\
+ \frac{1}{2} \theta (\mu_0 - r) f_r + D \delta p 1 \theta f_{s_1} + f_r + \frac{1}{2} \theta^2 f_r = 0
\]

(38)

Solving equation (36) for \( h \), we obtain

\[ h = 0 \]

(39)

\[ g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \frac{1}{z} \]

(40)

To prove the Proposition above, we attempt to solve equations (37) and (38) by stating and proving the following theorems

The solution of equation (37) is given as

\[ e(t, r, s_1) = u(t, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}, \]

where

\[ u_s(t, r, m) = u_1(t, r, m) + \sqrt{u_2(t, r, m)} + au_3(t, r, m) \]

and

\[ u_1(t, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad u_2(t, r, m) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad u_3(t, r, m) = 0. \]

Assume

\[ e(t, r, s_1) = u(t, r, m), \quad m = s_1^{-2g} \]

(41)

then

\[ e_t = u_t, \quad e_{s_1} = -2b \xi s_1^{-2g-1} u_m, \]

(42)

\[ e_{s_1} = 2b (2b + 1) s_1^{-2g-2} u_m + 4b^2 s_1^{-2g-2} u_m, \]

(43)

\[ e_r = u_r, \quad e_{rr} = u_{rr}, \quad e_{s_1} = -2b s_1^{-2g-1} u_m \]
Substituting (42) into (37), we have
\[
\begin{align*}
& u_t - 2\mu_1 \beta m u_m + \mathcal{A} \beta (2\beta + 1) u_m \\
& + 2\beta^2 \mathcal{A} m u_{mm} + \theta (\mu_0 - r) u_r \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 u_{rr} - 2\beta \mathcal{D} \delta \rho v u_{mm} \\
& = 0
\end{align*}
\] (43)

We can rewrite (43) as
\[
(V_1 + V_2 + V_3) u = 0
\] (44)

where
\[
V_1 = \left[ \theta (\mu_0 - r) u_r + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 u_{rr} \right] u
\] (45)
\[
V_2 = \left[ u_t + \beta \left( \mathcal{A} (2\beta + 1) - 2\mu_1 m \right) u_m + 2\beta^2 \mathcal{A} m u_{mm} \right] u
\] (46)
\[
V_3 = \left[ -2\beta \mathcal{D} \delta \rho v u_{mm} \right] u
\] (47)

Next, we follow the approach in [18] by applying the asymptotic expansion method to solve the problem in (44).
Assume that the volatility follows a slow fluctuating process, we attempt to find an asymptotic solution of (44) by a following slow-fluctuating process $\alpha t$ to replace (2), in which $0 < \alpha \ll 1$ is a small positive parameter:
\[
dr_{\alpha} (t) = \theta (\mu_0 - r_{\alpha}(t))dt - \delta dB_0(t)
\] (48)

Substituting (48) into (44) and also replacing $\mu_0 - r_{\alpha}(t)$ by $\alpha (\mu_0 - r)$, we have
\[
(\alpha V_1 + V_2 + \sqrt{\alpha} V_3) u_\alpha = 0
\] (49)

Next, we conjecture a solution for (49) as follows
\[
u_\alpha (t, r, m) = \left( u_1 (t, r, m) + \sqrt{\alpha} u_2 (t, r, m) \right)
\] (50)

Substituting (50) into (49),

\[
(\alpha V_1 + V_2 + \sqrt{\alpha} V_3) \left[ \begin{array}{c}
u_1 (t, r, m) \\
+ \sqrt{\alpha} u_2 (t, r, m) \\
+ \alpha u_3 (t, r, m)
\end{array} \right] = 0
\]

Simplifying the above equation, we arrive at
\[
\begin{align*}
& \left[ V_2 u_1 (t, r, m) + \sqrt{\alpha} V_2 u_2 (t, r, m) + V_3 u_1 (t, r, m) \right] \\
& + \left[ V_1 u_1 (t, r, m) + V_2 u_3 (t, r, m) + V_3 u_2 (t, r, m) \right] \sqrt{\alpha} \\
& + \left[ V_1 u_1 (t, r, m) + V_2 u_3 (t, r, m) + V_3 u_2 (t, r, m) \right] \alpha \\
& = 0.
\end{align*}
\]

This implies that
\[
\begin{align*}
\{ & V_2 u_1 (t, r, m) = 0 \\
& u_1 (T, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}
\}
\end{align*}
\] (51)

\[
\begin{align*}
\{ & V_2 u_2 (t, r, m) + V_3 u_1 (t, r, m) = 0 \\
& u_1 (T, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}, u_2 (T, r, m) = 0
\}
\end{align*}
\] (52)

\[
\begin{align*}
\{ & V_1 u_1 (t, r, m) + V_2 u_3 (t, r, m) + V_3 u_2 (t, r, m) \\
& u_1 (T, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}, u_2 (T, r, m) = 0, u_3 (T, r, m) = 0
\}
\end{align*}
\] (53)

To obtain the solution of (50), we solve (51), (52) and (53).
Therefore, (71) reduces to

\[
\begin{align*}
Q_{S_t} - 3\mu_1 \beta Q_5 &= 0, \\
Q_5 (T, r) &= 0
\end{align*}
\]

(69)

Solving (66), (67), (68) and (69) with their boundary conditions, we have

\[Q_t (t, r) = Q_3 (t, r) = Q_4 (t, r) = Q_5 (t, r) = 0,
\]

Hence from (64)

\[u_2 (t, r, m) = \left( \frac{Q_2 (t, r) + m^2 Q_3 (t, r)}{Q_2 (t, r) + m^2 Q_3 (t, r)} \right) = 0
\]

(70)

Next, we attempt to solve (56), by assuming a solution of the form

\[u_3 (t, r, m) = \left( Q_6 (t, r) + m^2 Q_7 (t, r) + m Q_8 (t, r) + m^2 Q_9 (t, r) \right)
\]

(71)

\[u_{3m} = \frac{1}{2} m^2 Q_7 + Q_8 + \frac{3}{2} m^2 Q_9 + 2 m Q_{10},
\]

(72)

Substituting (72) in (56), we have

\[Q_{6t} + \beta (2 \beta + 1) Q_8 = 0, Q_6 (T, r) = 0
\]

(73)

\[Q_{7t} - \mu_1 \beta Q_7 + \frac{3}{2} \beta \mathcal{A} (3 \beta + 1) Q_9 = 0, Q_7 (T, r) = 0
\]

(74)

\[Q_{8t} - 2 \mu_1 \beta Q_8 + 2 \beta \mathcal{A} (4 \beta + 1) Q_{10} = 0, Q_8 (T, r) = 0
\]

(75)

\[Q_{9t} - 3 \mu_1 \beta Q_9 = 0, Q_9 (T, r) = 0
\]

(76)

\[Q_{10t} - 4 \mu_1 \beta Q_{10} = 0, Q_{10} (T, r) = 0
\]

(77)

Solving (73), (74), (75), (4,45) and (77), we have

\[Q_6 (t, r) = Q_7 (t, r) = Q_8 (t, r) = Q_9 (t, r) = Q_{10} (t, r) = 0.
\]

Therefore, (71) reduces to

\[u_3 (t, r, m) = Q_6 (t, r) + m^2 Q_7 (t, r) + m Q_8 (t, r) + m^2 Q_9 (t, r) = 0
\]

(78)

Hence, from (48), (63), (70) and (78), we have

\[e (T, r, s_1) = u_a (t, r, m) = u_1 (t, r, m) + \sqrt{a} u_2 (t, r, m) + a u_3 (t, r, m) = \frac{1}{2}
\]

The solution of equation (38) is given as

\[f (t, r, s_2) = v (t, r, \ell) = v_a (t, r, \ell) = \frac{1}{2}
\]

where

\[v_a (t, r, \ell) = v_1 (t, r, \ell) + \sqrt{a} v_2 (t, r, \ell) + a v_3 (t, r, \ell)
\]

and

\[v_1 (t, r, \ell) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad v_2 (t, r, \ell) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 (t, r, \ell) = 0
\]

Assume

\[\begin{align*}
f (t, r, 2 \beta) &= v (t, r, \ell), \\
f (t, r, 2 \beta) &= \frac{1}{2}
\end{align*}
\]

(79)

Then

\[\begin{align*}
f_1 &= v_r, \\
f_2 &= -2 \beta s_2 - 2 \beta - 1 v_{1r}, \\
f_3 &= 2 \beta (2 \beta + 1) s_2 - 2 \beta - 1 v_{1r}, \\
f_4 &= 4 \beta^2 s_2 - 2 \beta - 1 v_{1r}, \\
f_r &= v_r, \\
f_{rr} &= v_{rr}, \\
f_{ss} &= -2 \beta s_2 - 2 \beta - 1 v_{rr}
\end{align*}
\]

(80)

Substituting (80) into (38), we have

\[\begin{align*}
v_1 - 2 \mu_2 \beta v_r + 2 \beta^2 + 2 \beta v_{1r} \\
+ \theta (\mu_0 - r) v_r + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 v_{rr} - 2 \beta \mathcal{E} \mathcal{D} \beta \sqrt{v_{rr}}
\end{align*}
\]

(81)

We can rewrite (81) as

\[M_1 + M_2 + M_3 v = 0
\]

(82)

Where

\[M_1 = \left[ \theta (\mu_0 - r) v_r + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 v_{rr} \right] v
\]

(83)

\[M_2 = \left[ v_1 + \beta (2 \beta + 1) - 2 \mu_2 (2 \beta) v_r \right] v_r
\]

(84)

\[M_3 = -2 \beta \mathcal{E} \mathcal{D} \beta \sqrt{v_{rr}}
\]

(85)

Substituting (48) into (82) and replacing \(\mu_0 - r_a (t)\) by \(a (\mu_0 - r)\), we have

\[(a M_1 + M_2 + \sqrt{a} M_3) v_a = 0
\]

(86)

Next, we conjecture a solution for (86) as follows

\[v_a (t, r, \ell) = v_1 (t, r, \ell) + \sqrt{a} v_2 (t, r, \ell) + a v_3 (t, r, \ell)
\]

(87)

Substituting (87) into (86), we have

\[(a M_1 + M_2 + \sqrt{a} M_3) (v_1 (t, r, \ell) + \sqrt{a} v_2 (t, r, \ell) + a v_3 (t, r, \ell)) = 0.
\]

Simplifying the above equation, we arrive at

\[\left( M_2 v_1 (t, r, \ell) + [M_2 v_2 (t, r, \ell) + M_3 v_1 (t, r, \ell)] \sqrt{a} \right) = 0.
\]

This implies that

\[\begin{align*}
M_2 v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= 0, \\
v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= \frac{1}{2},
\end{align*}
\]

(88)

\[\begin{align*}
M_2 v_2 (t, r, \ell) + M_3 v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= 0, \\
v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= \frac{1}{2}, \quad v_2 (t, r, \ell) = 0.
\end{align*}
\]

(89)

\[\begin{align*}
M_4 v_1 (t, r, \ell) + M_2 v_3 (t, r, \ell) + M_3 v_2 (t, r, \ell) &= 0, \\
v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= \frac{1}{2}, \quad v_2 (t, r, \ell) = 0, \quad v_3 (t, r, \ell) = 0.
\end{align*}
\]

(90)

To obtain the solution of (87), we solve (88), (89) and (90). Recall from (83), (84) and (85), equation (88), (89) and (90) can be expressed as

\[\begin{align*}
v_1 (t, r, \ell) &= \beta (2 \beta + 1) - 2 \mu_1 (2 \beta) v_r + 2 \beta^2 v_1 r \ell
\end{align*}
\]

(91)
Substituting (102) into (92), we have
\[ v_{2\ell} + \beta \left( B (2\beta + 1) - 2\mu \ell \right) v_{2\ell} + 2\beta^2 B \ell v_{2\ell} - 2\beta B \ell \delta \sqrt{v_{1r}} = 0, \]
\[ v_{2} (T, r, \ell) = 0 \] (92)

Next, we solve (92), by assuming a solution of the form
\[ v_{3\ell} + \beta \left( B (2\beta + 1) - 2\mu \ell \right) v_{3\ell} + 2\beta^2 B \ell v_{3\ell} + \theta (\mu \ell - r) v_{1r} + \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 v_{1r} - 2\beta B \ell \delta \sqrt{v_{1r}} = 0 \]
\[ v_{3} (T, r, \ell) = 0 \] (93)

Let
\[ v_1 (t, r, \ell) = R_0 (t, r) + \ell \mathcal{R}_1 (t, r) \]
and
\[ v_{1\ell} = Q_{0\ell} + \ell \mathcal{R}_{1\ell}, \quad u_{1\ell} = \mathcal{R}_1, \quad u_{1\ell} = 0. \] (94)
(95)

Substituting (95) in (91), we have
\[ R_{0\ell} + \beta B (2\beta + 1) R_1 = 0, \]
\[ R_{1\ell} - 2\mu \ell R_1 = 0, \]
\[ R_{1} (T, r) = 0 \] (96)
(97)

Solving (97), we have
\[ R_1 (t, r) = 0. \] (98)

Putting (98) into (96) and solving the resultant equation, we have
\[ R_0 (t, r) = \frac{1}{2}. \] (99)

Hence from (94)
\[ v_1 (t, r, \ell) = R_0 (t, r) + \ell \mathcal{R}_1 (t, r) = \frac{1}{2} \] (100)

Next, we solve (92), by assuming a solution of the form
\[ v_2 (t, r, \ell) = \left( \begin{array}{c} R_2 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_3 (t, r) \\ + \ell \mathcal{R}_4 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_5 (t, r) \end{array} \right) \] (101)

and
\[ v_{2\ell} = R_{2\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{3\ell} + \ell \mathcal{R}_{4\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{5\ell}, \]
\[ v_{2\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_3 + \mathcal{R}_4 + \frac{3}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_5 \]
\[ v_{2\ell} = -\frac{1}{4} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_3 + \frac{3}{4} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_5, \quad u_{1\ell} = 0 \] (102)

Substituting (102) into (92), we have
\[ R_{2\ell} + \beta (2\beta + 1) \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_4 = 0, \]
\[ R_{4\ell} - 2\mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_4 = 0, \]
\[ R_{5\ell} - 3\mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_5 = 0, \]
\[ R_{3\ell} - \mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_3 + \frac{3}{2} \beta (3\beta + 1) \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_5 = 0, \]
\[ R_3 (T, r) = 0 \] (103)
(104)
(105)
(106)

Solving (103), (104), (105) and (106) with their boundary conditions, we have
\[ R_2 (t, r) = R_3 (t, r) = R_4 (t, r) = R_5 (t, r) = 0, \]
\[ v_2 (t, r, \ell) = \left( \begin{array}{c} R_2 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_3 (t, r) + \ell \mathcal{R}_4 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_5 (t, r) \end{array} \right) = 0. \] (107)

Next, we attempt to solve (93), by assuming a solution of the form
\[ v_3 (t, r, \ell) = R_{6\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_7 (t, r) + \ell R_8 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_9 (t, r) + \ell^2 R_10 (t, r) \] (108)

\[ v_{3\ell} = R_{6\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{7\ell} + \ell R_{8\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{9\ell} + \ell^2 R_{10\ell}, \]
\[ u_{3\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_7 + \mathcal{R}_8 + \frac{3}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_9 + 2 \ell R_{10}, \]
\[ v_{1\ell} = 0, \quad v_{1r} = 0, \quad v_2 = 0 \] (109)

Substituting (109) in (93), we have
\[ R_{6\ell} + \beta (2\beta + 1) \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_8 = 0, \]
\[ R_7 (T, r) = 0, \] (110)
\[ R_{8\ell} - 2\mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_8 = 0, \]
\[ R_{9\ell} - 3\mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_9 = 0, \]
\[ R_{10\ell} - 4\mu \mathcal{B} \mathcal{R}_{10} = 0, \] (111)
(112)
(113)
(114)

Solving (110), (111), (112), (4.82) and (114), we have
\[ R_6 (t, r) = R_7 (t, r) = R_8 (t, r) = R_9 (t, r) = R_{10} (t, r) = 0. \]

Therefore (108) reduces to
\[ v_3 (t, r, \ell) = R_{6\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_7 (t, r) + \ell R_8 (t, r) + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_9 (t, r) + \ell^2 R_10 (t, r) \]
\[ v_{3\ell} = R_{6\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{7\ell} + \ell R_{8\ell} + \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_{9\ell} + \ell^2 R_{10\ell}, \]
\[ u_{3\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_7 + \mathcal{R}_8 + \frac{3}{2} \ell^2 \mathcal{R}_9 + 2 \ell R_{10}, \]
\[ v_{1\ell} = 0, \quad v_{1r} = 0, \quad v_2 = 0 \] (109)

Finally, substituting (100), (107) and (115) into (87), we have
\[ f (t, r, s_2) = v_a (t, r, \ell) \]
\[ = v_1 (t, r, \ell) + \sqrt{\sigma} v_2 (t, r, \ell) + \sigma v_3 (t, r, \ell) = \frac{1}{2}. \] (116)

From Lemma 4, 4 and equation (39), Proposition 4 is proved. The optimal investment plans are given as
\[ \phi_1 = \frac{1}{x^2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3} \left[ \frac{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)(\mu_1 - r) \sigma_3 - (\sigma_1 \sigma_3 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3)(\mu_2 - r) \sigma_2^2}{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)(\sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2) - (\sigma_1 \sigma_3 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3)^2} \right] \]
\[ \phi_2 = \frac{1}{x^2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3} \left[ \frac{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)(\mu_2 - r) \sigma_1 - (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3)(\mu_1 - r) \sigma_1^2}{(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)(\sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2) - (\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3)^2} \right] \]
\[ \phi_3 = 1 - \phi_1 - \phi_2 \]

Recall that equation (22) and (23) are given as
\[ \phi_1 = \frac{[C^\beta_1 (\mu_2 - r) - B^\beta_1 (\mu_1 - r)]}{x (AB - C^2) z_2^2 \beta_2^2} \right] \]
\[ \phi_2 = \frac{[C^\beta_1 (\mu_2 - r) - A^\beta_1 (\mu_1 - r)]}{x (AB - C^2) z_2^2 \beta_2^2} \right] \]
From Proposition 4 and equation (22) we have
\[ g(t, r, s_1, s_2, z) = \frac{1}{z} \text{ and } g = x. \]
Differentiating \( g \) with respect to \( r, s_1, s_2, z \) and substitute into equation (30) and (31), we have

\[ \varphi_1^* = \frac{1}{x^2 s_1^{\beta_1} s_2^{\beta_2}} \left[ \frac{\left( \sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2 \right) (\mu_1 - r) s_2^{\beta_2}}{(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2) - (\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)^2} \right] \]

\[ \varphi_2^* = \frac{1}{x^2 s_1^{\beta_1} s_2^{\beta_2}} \left[ \frac{\left( \sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2 \right) (\mu_2 - r) s_1^{\beta_1}}{(\sigma_{11}^2 + \sigma_{12}^2)(\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2) - (\sigma_{21}^2 + \sigma_{22}^2)^2} \right] \]

\[ \varphi_0^* = 1 - \varphi_1^* - \varphi_2^* \]

i. recall that from equation (33),
\[ J(t, r, s) = w(t, r, s) + v(t, r, s) \ln z \]

From Proposition 4 and 4, the proof is completed.
From Lemma 4, we observed that our result is similar to the one in [3] but the difference between our result and theirs is that their interest rate is a constant while ours is stochastic.

5. Numerical Simulations

In this section, some numerical simulations are presented to study the effect of some sensitive parameters on the optimal investment plans under logarithm utility. To achieve this, the following data will be used unless otherwise stated;

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6. Discussion

In this section, the effects of some parameters on the optimal investment plans are examined. In Figure 1, the simulation of optimal investment plans for the three assets are given against time; the graph shows that at the initial time, the investor will invest more in the risk free asset and suddenly reduce it and then increase it continually till the expiration of investment. Also, the investor will invest less in the two risky assets and suddenly...
The behavior of the optimal investment plans in Figure 1 is due to O-U process used in modeling the risk free interest rate which reflects a fluctuation in interest rate. From this result, we can see that O-U process enable the investor to know when there is a change in interest rate for the risk free asset thereby adjusting the optimal investment plan of the different assets to suit the market condition at each point in time. The implication of this is that each time the risk free interest rate appreciate significantly, the investor will likely to invest more in the risk free asset while reducing that of the two risky assets to suit the market condition at each point in time.

Figure 5. The effect of the risk free interest $r$ on $\varphi_0^*$.  

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Figure 6. The effect of the risk free interest $r$ on $\varphi_0^*$.  

Secondly, considering $(\mu_1 - r)$ in $\varphi_0^*$ where $\mu_1$ is the appreciation rate of stock 1 and $r$ is the risk free interest rate. We observed that as $r$ increases, $(\mu_1 - r)$ decreases. Hence, from Figure 6, we observed that as the interest rate increases more than the appreciation rate, the investor invests less in stock 1 and when the interest rate is less than the appreciation rate, the investor invest more in stock 1. So, in general, we observed that all other factors being constant, the investor will choose his portfolio depending on the value of the risk free interest rate and the corresponding appreciation rates of the risky assets. Finally, from Proposition 4, we observed that optimal investment plan for an investor with logarithm utility is not affected by the risk aversion coefficient unlike the result in [18] where the optimal investment plan depends on the investor’s behaviour towards risk.

7. Conclusion

In conclusion, this work studied the optimal investment plan for an investor with logarithm utility under the constant elasticity of variance model in the presence of stochastic interest rate modelled by the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process. We developed a portfolio consisting of three assets (risk free asset and two risky assets). The Legendre transformation and dual theory with asymptotic expansion technique was used to find closed form solutions of the optimal investment plans. Also studied were the effects of some parameters on the optimal investment plans using numerical simulations. We observed that when the risk free asset is modelled by the O-U process and the two risky asset are modelled by the CEV process, the optimal investment plan for the three assets give a fluctuation effect, showing that...
the investor’s behaviour in his investment pattern changes at different time intervals due to some information available in the financial market such as the fluctuations in the risk free interest rate, appreciation rates of the price of the risky assets and the volatility of the stock market price due to changes in the elasticity parameters. Also, we observed that the investor’s behavior toward risk in the case of logarithm utility does not depend on the risk averse coefficient as in the case of [18] but depend on the factors mentioned above.

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