

Chaotic solution for the Black-Scholes equation

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The Black-Scholes semigroup is studied on spaces of continuous functions on $[0, \infty)$ which may grow at both 0 and at ∞ , which is important since the standard initial value is an unbounded function. We prove that in the Banach spaces

$$Y^{s,\tau} := \left\{ u \in C((0, \infty)) : \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u(x)}{1+x^s} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(x)}{1+x^{-\tau}} = 0 \right\}$$

with norm $\|u\|_{Y^{s,\tau}} = \sup_{x>0} \left| \frac{u(x)}{(1+x^s)(1+x^{-\tau})} \right| < \infty$, the Black-Scholes semigroup is strongly continuous and chaotic for $s > 1, \tau \geq 0$ with $s\nu > 1$, where $\sqrt{2\nu}$ is the volatility. The proof relies on the Godefroy-Shapiro hypercyclicity criterion.