

**Uitwerkingen Deeltentamen 1 Inleiding Financiële Wiskunde, 2011-12**

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opgave:	1	2	3
punten:	50	30	20

1. Consider a 2-period binomial model with  $S_0 = 100$ ,  $u = 1.2$ ,  $d = 0.9$ , and  $r = 0.1$ . Suppose the real probability measure  $P$  satisfies  $P(H) = p = \frac{1}{2} = P(T)$ .
- (a) Consider an option with payoff  $V_2 = \max(S_1, S_2) - 100$ . Determine the price  $V_n$  at time  $n = 0, 1$ .
  - (b) Suppose  $\omega_1\omega_2 = HT$ , find the values of the portfolio process  $\Delta_0, \Delta_1(H)$  so that so that the corresponding wealth process satisfies  $X_0 = V_0$  (your answer in part (a)) and  $X_2(HT) = V_2(HT)$ .
  - (c) Suppose a trader is selling the above option for a price  $T > V_0$ . Explain how the trader can perform arbitrage, i.e. with begin wealth equals to zero he can build a portfolio that has at time 2 a non-negative value with probability 1.
  - (d) Consider the utility function  $U(x) = \sqrt{x}$  ( $x > 0$ ). Show that the random variable  $X = X_2$  (which is a function of the two coin tosses) that maximizes  $E(U(X))$  subject to the condition that  $\tilde{E}\left(\frac{X}{(1+r)^2}\right) = X_0$  is given by

$$X = X_2 = \frac{(1.1)^2 X_0}{Z^2 E(Z^{-1})},$$

where  $Z$  is the Radon Nikodym derivative of  $\tilde{P}$  with respect to  $P$ .

- (e) Assume in part (e) that  $X_0 = 100$ . Determine the value of the optimal portfolio process  $\{\Delta_0, \Delta_1\}$  and the value of the corresponding wealth process  $\{X_0, X_1, X_2\}$ .

**Solution (a):** We first calculate the risk-neutral probability measure  $\tilde{P}$ , we have  $\tilde{P}(H) = \tilde{p} = 2/3$  and  $\tilde{P}(T) = \tilde{q} = 1/3$ . We start with the value of  $V_2$ , we have  $V_2(HH) = 44$ ,  $V_2(HT) = 20$ ,  $V_2(TH) = 8$ ,  $V_2(TT) = 0$ . Then

$$V_1(H) = \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(44) + \frac{1}{3}(20) \right] = 32.73,$$

and

$$V_1(T) = \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(8) + \frac{1}{3}(0) \right] = 4.85,$$

leading to

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(32.72) + \frac{1}{3}(4.85) \right] = 21.31.$$

**Solution (b):** If  $\omega_1\omega_2 = TH$ , then

$$\Delta_0 = \frac{V_1(H) - V_1(T)}{S_1(H) - S_1(T)} = \frac{32.73 - 4.85}{120 - 90} = 0.93,$$

and

$$\Delta_1(T) = \frac{V_1(TH) - V_1(TT)}{S_1(TH) - S_1(TT)} = \frac{8 - 0}{108 - 81} = 0.296.$$

Leading to

$$X_1(T) = \Delta_0 S_1(T) + 1.1(V_0 - \Delta_0 S_0) = 4.85,$$

and

$$X_2(TH) = \Delta_1(T) S_2(TH) + 1.1(X_1(T) - \Delta_1(T) S_1(T)) = 8.$$

**Solution (c):**

–At time 0, sell the option for  $T$  euros and use  $V_0$  to start a self financing portfolio which at time 2 has value equals the payoff of the option. Put the rest  $V_0 - T$  in the bank.

–At time 2, your self-financing portfolio has value  $V_2$  which you use to pay the payoff of the buyer of the option, and in the bank you have  $(T - V_0)(1.1)^2 > 0$ .

**Solution (d):** Notice that the function  $U(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $x > 0$  is strict concave with  $U'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$ . We apply Theorem 3.3.6, we find that the inverse  $I$  of  $U'$  is given by  $I(x) = \frac{1}{4x^2}$ . Thus, the optimal solution is given by

$$X_2 = X = I \left( \frac{\lambda Z}{(1.1)^2} \right) = \frac{(1.1)^4}{4\lambda^2 Z^2},$$

and satisfies the constraint

$$X_0 = E \left( \frac{XZ}{(1.1)^2} \right) = \frac{(1.1)^2}{4\lambda^2} E(Z^{-1}).$$

Hence,  $4\lambda^2 = \frac{(1.1)^2 E(Z^{-1})}{X_0}$ , and

$$X = \frac{X_0(1.1)^2}{Z^2 E(Z^{-1})}.$$

**Solution (e):** To find the optimal portfolio and corresponding wealth processes, we first determine explicitly the the random variable  $X = X_2$ , and then we apply Theorem 1.2.2 with  $X_0 = 100$ . We begin by find the Radon Nikodym derivative  $Z$ . We have

$$Z(HH) = \frac{16}{9}, \quad Z(HT) = Z(TH) = \frac{8}{9}, \quad Z(TT) = \frac{4}{9}.$$

Next, we find

$$E(Z^{-1}) = \frac{9}{16} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{8} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{8} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} = 1.27.$$

Thus,

$$X = X_2 = \frac{X_0(1.1)^2}{Z^2 E(Z^{-1})} = \frac{95.6}{Z^2}.$$

This leads to

$$X_2(HH) = 30.25, X_2(HT) = X_2(TH) = 120.99, X_2(TT) = 483.98.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1(H) &= \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(30.25) + \frac{1}{3}(120.99) \right] = 55, \\ X_1(T) &= \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(120.99) + \frac{1}{3}(483.98) \right] = 220. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$X_0 = \frac{1}{1.1} \left[ \frac{2}{3}(55) + \frac{1}{3}(220) \right] = 100$$

as required. The optimal portfolio is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_0 &= \frac{X_1(H) - X_1(T)}{S_1(H) - S_1(T)} = \frac{55 - 220}{120 - 90} = -5.5, \\ \Delta_{(H)} &= \frac{X_2(HH) - X_2(HT)}{S_2(HH) - S_2(HT)} = \frac{30.25 - 120.99}{144 - 108} = -2.52, \\ \Delta_1(T) &= \frac{X_2(TH) - X_2(TT)}{S_2(TH) - S_2(TT)} = \frac{120.99 - 483.98}{108 - 81} = -13.44. \end{aligned}$$

2. Consider the  $N$ -period Binomial model with risk neutral probability measure  $\tilde{P}$ . Suppose  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_N$  is an adapted process satisfying  $X_i > -1$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ . Define a process  $Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_N$  by

$$Y_0 = 1, \quad \text{and } Y_n = \frac{1}{(1 + X_0) \cdots (1 + X_{n-1})}, \quad n = 1, \dots, N.$$

- (a) Let  $U_n = \tilde{E}_n \left[ \frac{Y_N}{Y_n} \right]$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$ . Show that the process  $Y_0 U_0, Y_1 U_1, \dots, Y_N U_N$  is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .
- (b) Let  $\Delta_0, \dots, \Delta_{N-1}$  be an adapted process, and  $W_0$  a fixed positive real number. Define for  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ ,

$$W_{n+1} = \Delta_n U_{n+1} + (1 + X_n)(W_n - \Delta_n U_n).$$

Show that the process

$$Y_0 W_0, Y_1 W_1, \dots, Y_N W_N$$

is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .

- (c) Let  $U_n$  be as given in part (a). Set  $I_0 = 0$  and define  $I_n = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Y_{j+1}(U_{j+1} - U_j)$ ,  $n = 1, \dots, N$ . Show that  $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_N$  is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .

**Solution (a):** First note that the process  $\{X_n : n = 0, \dots, N\}$  is adapted, hence the random variable  $Y_n$  is known at time  $n - 1$ , i.e. depends on the first  $n - 1$  tosses,  $n = 1, \dots, N$ . Hence,

$$U_n = \tilde{E}_n \left[ \frac{Y_N}{Y_n} \right] = \frac{1}{Y_n} \tilde{E}_n[Y_N],$$

which implies  $Y_n U_n = \tilde{E}_n[Y_N]$ . Using the iteration property of conditional expectations, or directly Theorem 3.2.1, one has that the process  $Y_0 U_0, Y_1 U_1, \dots, Y_N U_N$  is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .

**Solution (b):** It is clear that the process  $W_0, \dots, W_N$  is adapted. Since  $Y_n$  depends on the first  $n - 1$  tosses, we see that the process  $Y_0 W_0, Y_1 W_1, \dots, Y_N W_N$  is also adapted. Furthermore,  $1 + X_n = \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{E}_n(W_{n+1}) &= \Delta_n \tilde{E}_n(U_{n+1}) + (1 + X_n)(W_n - \Delta_n U_n) \\ &= \Delta_n \tilde{E}_n\left(\tilde{E}_{n+1}\left(\frac{Y_N}{Y_{n+1}}\right)\right) + \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}}(W_n - \Delta_n U_n) \\ &= \Delta_n \tilde{E}_n\left(\frac{Y_N}{Y_{n+1}}\right) + \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}} W_n - \Delta_n \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}} \tilde{E}_n\left(\frac{Y_N}{Y_n}\right) \\ &= \Delta_n \tilde{E}_n\left(\frac{Y_N}{Y_{n+1}}\right) + \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}} W_n - \Delta_n \tilde{E}_n\left(\frac{Y_N}{Y_{n+1}}\right) \\ &= \frac{Y_n}{Y_{n+1}} W_n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $Y_n W_n = Y_{n+1} \tilde{E}_n(W_{n+1}) = \tilde{E}_n(Y_{n+1} W_{n+1})$ , and

$$Y_0 W_0, Y_1 W_1, \dots, Y_N W_N$$

is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .

**Solution (c):** First note that  $Y_{n+1}$  is known at time  $n$ , and

$$I_{n+1} = I_n + Y_{n+1}(U_{n+1} - U_n).$$

From part (a), we have that  $U_0, \dots, U_N$  is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ , and hence  $\tilde{E}_n(U_{n+1} - U_n) = 0$ . Thus,

$$\tilde{E}_n(I_{n+1}) = I_n + Y_{n+1} \tilde{E}_n(U_{n+1} - U_n) = I_n.$$

Therefore,  $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_N$  is a martingale with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ .

3. Consider the  $N$ -period binomial model, with expiration process  $N$ , up factor  $u$ , down factor  $d$  and interest rate  $r$ . Let  $\tilde{P}$  be the risk neutral probability and  $P$  the real probability. We denote by  $p = P(H)$  and  $\tilde{p} = \tilde{P}(H)$ . Let  $S_0, S_1, \dots, S_N$  be the corresponding price process.

(a) Define  $Y_n = \sum_{k=0}^n S_k$ . Show that the process

$$(Y_0, S_0), (Y_1, S_1), \dots, (Y_N, S_N)$$

is Markov with respect to  $P$  and  $\tilde{P}$ .

(b) Let  $V_N = \left(S_N - \frac{Y_N}{N+1}\right)^+$ . Show that for each  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$ , there exists a function  $f_n$  such that

$$E_n(ZV_N) = Z_n(1+r)^{N-n} f_n(Y_n, S_n),$$

where  $Z$  is the Radon-Nikodym derivative of  $\tilde{P}$  with respect to  $P$ , and  $Z_n = E_n(Z)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$ .

**Solution (a):** Define  $Z_{n+1} = \frac{S_{n+1}}{S_n}$  for  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ . Note that  $Z_{n+1}$  is independent of the first  $n$  tosses, and

$$Y_{n+1} = Y_n + Z_{n+1}S_n, \text{ and } S_{n+1} = Z_{n+1}S_n.$$

Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be any function, by the Independence Lemma, we have

$$E_n(f(Y_{n+1}, S_{n+1})) = E_n(f(Y_n + Z_{n+1}S_n, Z_{n+1}S_n)) = g(Y_n, S_n),$$

where

$$g(y, s) = E(f(y + Z_{n+1}s, Z_{n+1}s)) = pf(y + us, us) + qf(y + ds, ds).$$

A similar calculation shows that

$$\tilde{E}_n(f(Y_{n+1}, S_{n+1})) = \tilde{E}_n(f(Y_n + Z_{n+1}S_n, Z_{n+1}S_n)) = h(Y_n, S_n),$$

where

$$h(y, s) = \tilde{E}(f(y + Z_{n+1}s, Z_{n+1}s)) = \tilde{p}f(y + us, us) + \tilde{q}f(y + ds, ds).$$

Hence, the process

$$(Y_0, S_0), (Y_1, S_1), \dots, (Y_N, S_N)$$

is Markov with respect to  $P$  and  $\tilde{P}$ .

**Solution (b):** Let  $f(y, s) = (s - y(n+1)^{-1})^+$ , then  $V_N = f(Y_N, S_N)$ . Since  $(Y_0, S_0), (Y_1, S_1), \dots, (Y_N, S_N)$  is Markov with respect to  $\tilde{P}$ , by Theorem 2.5.8, for each  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$ , there exists a function  $f_n$  such that

$$V_n = \tilde{E}(V_N(1+r)^{-(N-n)}) = f_n(Y_n, S_n),$$

(note that  $f = f_N$ ). Thus, by Lemma 3.2.6

$$E_n(ZV_N) = Z_n \tilde{E}_n(V_N) = Z_n (1+r)^{N-n} f_n(Y_n, S_n).$$