

## Week 2

### 2.2 Basic Structure of One-period Binomial Model

Def 2.1 One-period Binomial Model

Consider a model of asset prices

$S(i)$ , where  $i=0, 1$ ,

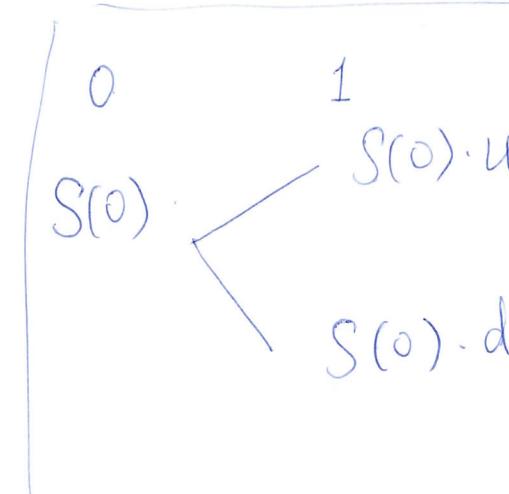
$$S(0) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} S$$

$$S(1) = Su \text{ or } Sd$$

$u, d$  positive real numbers  $0 < d < u$

$r$ : nominal interest rate per time period

Q: Under what condition on  $u, d, r$ , there is no arbitrage.



## Theorem 2.1 (The Arbitrage Theorem)

Given a set of bets with returns  $r_1, \dots, r_n$ ,

1. There exists a prob vector  $\vec{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_m)$  s.t.  
 $p_1 > 0, \dots, p_m > 0$

For each  $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$p_1 r_i(1) + p_2 r_i(2) + \dots + p_m r_i(m) = 0. \quad (1)$$

2. There is an arbitrage.

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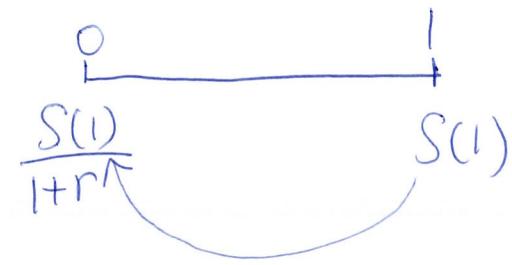
A: 2 possible outcomes:  $S(1) = S_d$  or  $S(1) = S_u$

Using The Arbitrage Theorem, Eq (1):

$$\underbrace{p_1 r_i(1)}_{\textcircled{1}} + \underbrace{p_2 r_i(2)}_{\textcircled{2}} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Return functions:

$$\text{return at time } 0 = \frac{S(1)}{1+r} - S$$



$$r_1(1) = \frac{Su}{1+r} - S$$

PV of return  
 if asset price  
 moves up

$$\text{and } r_1(2) = \frac{Sd}{1+r} - S$$

PV of return  
 if asset price  
 moves down

$$\begin{cases} P_1 \left( \frac{Su}{1+r} - S \right) + P_2 \left( \frac{Sd}{1+r} - S \right) = 0 \\ P_2 = 1 - P_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{P_1 u}{1+r} + \frac{(1-P_1)d}{1+r} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow P_1 = \frac{1+r-d}{u-d}, P_2 = \frac{u-1-r}{u-d}$$

$$P_1 \geq 0, P_2 \geq 0, \Rightarrow 1+r \geq d, u \geq 1+r \Rightarrow d \leq 1+r \leq u$$

$P_1$  and  $P_2$  are call risk-neutral prob (RNP)

$$d \leq 1+r \leq u$$

## Def 2.2 Risk Neutral Measure

$\tilde{\pi}$  is a prob measure s.t each price is exactly equal to the discounted expectation of the price under the measure.

Such measure exists iff the arbitrage-free.

Homework:

real-world Prob measure, risk-neutral Prob measure

$$\hat{P}_1$$



hate risk

higher return  
to compensate for  
the risk

$$P_1$$



don't care about risk

$E \checkmark$   $\text{Var } X$

$$\boxed{\hat{P}_1 > P_1}$$

$P_1 \uparrow$ ,  $E \uparrow$   $\uparrow \text{return}$

A to Q2 on slide 18

Hint: Eq (1) Arbitrage Theorem

$$r_2(1) = \frac{(S_u - k)^+}{1+r} - c, \quad r_2(2) = \frac{(S_d - k)^+}{1+r} - c$$

return func at time 0

PV of return  
if asset price moves down

Step 3: Arbitrage Theorem

$$P_1 r_2(1) + P_2 r_2(2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P_1 \left[ \frac{(S_u - k)^+}{1+r} - c \right] + P_2 \left[ \frac{(S_d - k)^+}{1+r} - c \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = P_1 \frac{(S_u - k)^+}{1+r} + P_2 \frac{(S_d - k)^+}{1+r}$$

$$\text{If: } S_d < k < S_u$$

step 1  
0

CF: -c

$$\begin{cases} (S_u - k)^+, P_1 \\ (S_d - k)^+, P_2 \end{cases}$$

$$(S_d - k)^+ = \max(S_d - k, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow c = P_1 \frac{(S_u - k)}{1+r} = \frac{(1+r-d)(S_u - k)}{(1+r)(u-d)}$$

$P_1$  the same Q1

Q3. No-arbitrage price of the derivative defined on slide 21

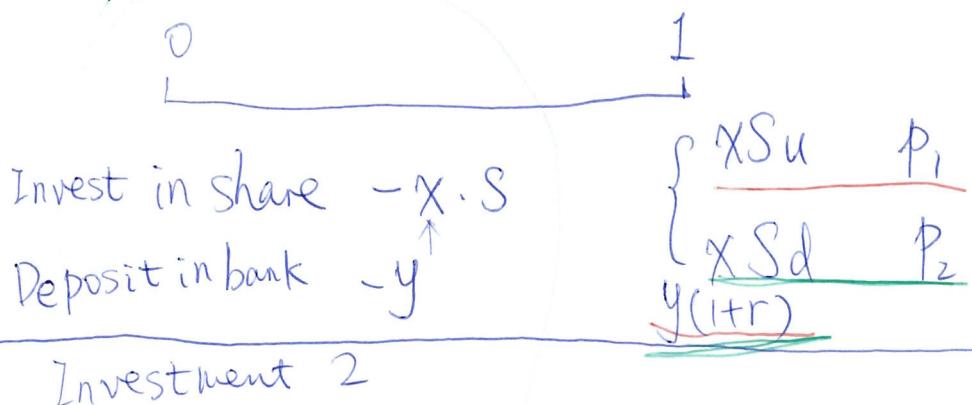
$$\text{Step 2: } P_1 V_1 + P_2 V_2 - \cancel{C}(1+r) = 0$$

$$C = \frac{1}{1+r} P_1 V_1 + \frac{1}{1+r} P_2 V_2 = \frac{1+r-d}{(1+r)(u-d)} V_1 + \frac{u-1-r}{(1+r)(u-d)} V_2$$

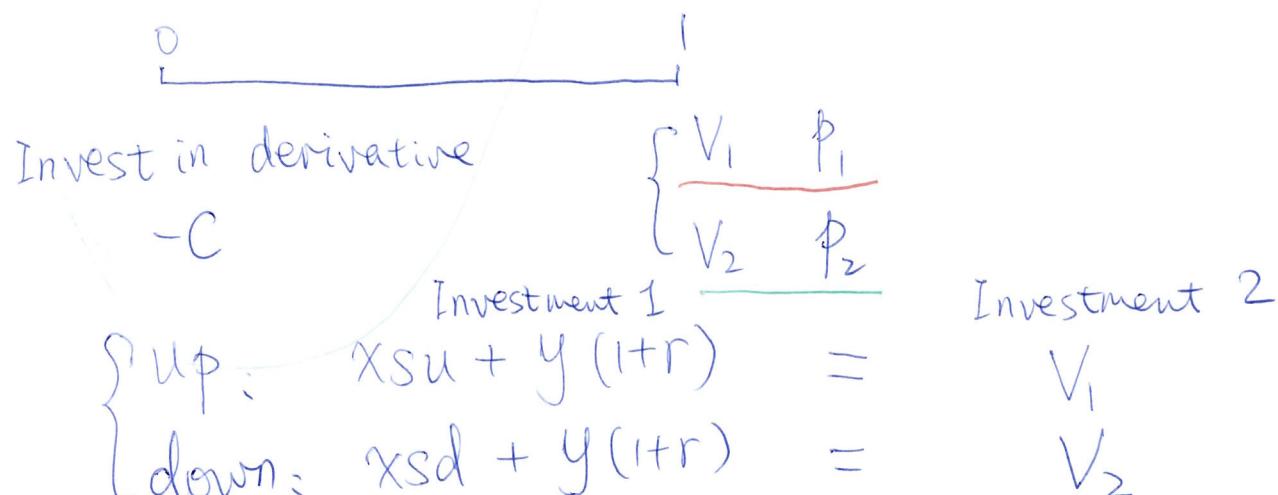
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Q4: Slide 25 + 26

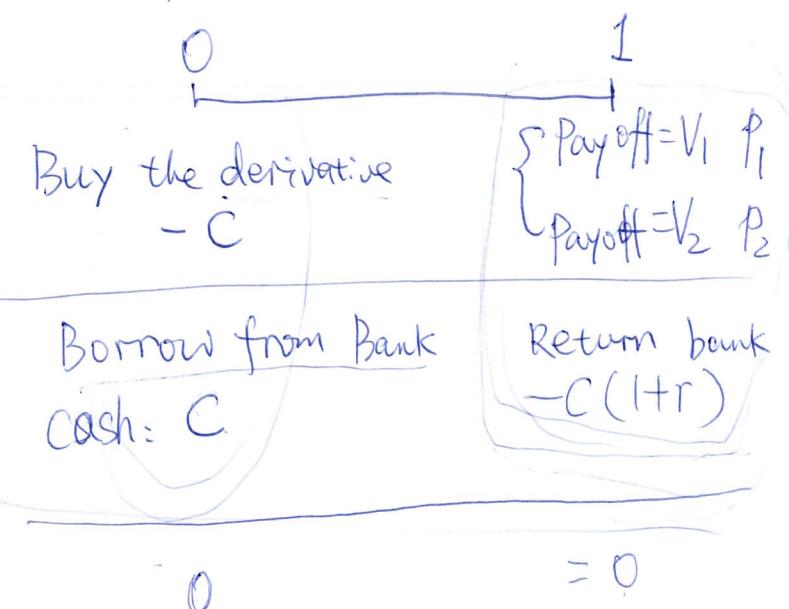
Investment 1



Investment 2



Step 1:



$$X = \frac{V_1 - V_2}{S(u-d)}$$

$$y = \frac{uV_2 - dV_1}{(1+r)(u-d)}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 C = XS + y &= \frac{V_1 - V_2}{S(u-d)} \cdot S + \frac{uV_2 - dV_1}{(1+r)(u-d)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1+r} \left( \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1+r-d}{u-d} \right] V_1}_{P_1} + \underbrace{\left[ \frac{u-1-r}{u-d} \right] V_2}_{P_2} \right) \\
 C &= \frac{1}{1+r} (P_1 V_1 + P_2 V_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

The law of One price

3. Multi-period Binomial model

Def 3.1 Multi-period Binomial model

$S(t)$ : Share price, where  $t=0, 1, \dots, n$ , s.t.  $S(t-1)$

$$S(t) = \begin{cases} u S(t-1) \\ d S(t-1) \end{cases}$$

$S(0) = S$ ,  $0 < d < u$ .  $r$ : nominal interest rate per time period

$$\vec{s} = (s(0), s(1), \dots, s(n))$$

$$\vec{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \text{ s.t. for } 1 \leq j \leq n, i_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s(j) = u s(j-1) \\ 0 & \text{if } s(j) = d s(j-1) \end{cases}$$

One-to-one correspondence between  $\vec{s}$  and  $\vec{i}$

For any time  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we have

$$s(k) = s_u \sum_{j=1}^k i_j d^{k-j} - \sum_{j=1}^k i_j$$

$$\checkmark p(\vec{i}) \equiv P(i_1, \dots, i_n) = p^{\sum_{j=1}^n i_j} (1-p)^{n - \sum_{j=1}^n i_j}, \text{ where } p = \frac{1+r-d}{u-d}$$

↑  
prob of up

Path: 1, 0, 0, 1, ...  
u d d u, ...

$$P(X_1=i_1, \dots, X_n=i_n) = p^{\sum_{j=1}^n i_j} (1-p)^{n - \sum_{j=1}^n i_j}, \text{ where } p = \frac{1+r-d}{u-d}$$

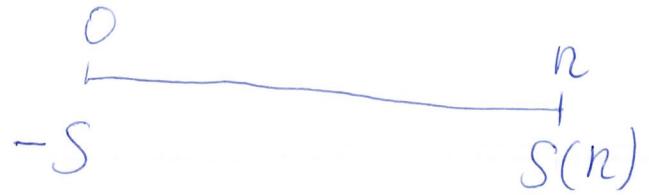
$$X_j \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p) \quad \text{iid}$$

Example

I. Buy a share at time 0 for  $S$

Sell it at time  $n$  for  $S(n)$ .

return func:  $r(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n)$



According Theorem 3.1 (slide 37):

$$\sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} r(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) P(X_1=i_1, \dots, X_n=i_n)$$

$$= \tilde{E}[r(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)] = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{no arbitrage}$$

$\tilde{E}$  is the expectation computed over the risk-neutral probability.

$E$  real-world

II.  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \leftarrow$  total number of steps up

$Y \sim \text{Binomial}$

$$P(Y=y) = \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}$$

↑ Prob up      ↑ Prob down

n: total ~~per~~ number of periods

y: total number of steps .. up

Q: no-arbitrage price  $C$  of a European call option.  
 $K, T=n$

Theorem 3.2

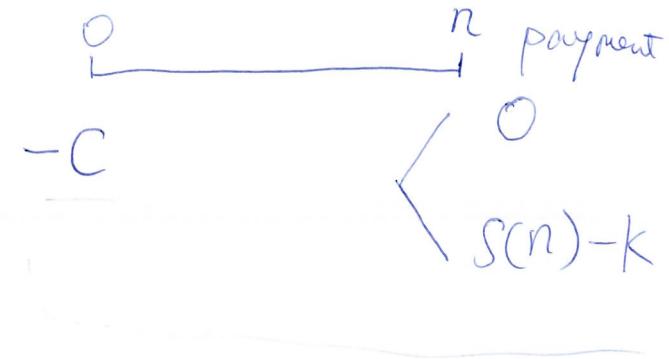
$$C = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \sum_{y=0}^n (S u^y d^{n-y} - K)^+ P(Y=y)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{RNP}}}{\tilde{E}} [(S u^Y d^{n-Y} - K)^+]$$

Price = discounted RN  $\tilde{E}$

Proof.  $S(n) \leq K$        $\text{PV}(\text{call}) = 0$   
 $\underline{S(n) > K}$

$$PV(\text{payoff of call}) = \frac{(S(n) - k)}{(1+r)^n}$$



$$PV(\text{payoff of call}) = \frac{(S(n) - k)^+}{(1+r)^n}$$

$$PV(\text{return of call}) = \frac{(S(n) - k)^+}{(1+r)^n} - C$$

Arbitrage Theorem:

$$\sum_{i_1, \dots, i_n} r(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n) P(X_1=i_1, \dots, X_n=i_n) = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{Eq (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_n} \left[ \frac{(S_u^{\sum_{j=1}^n i_j} d^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n i_j} - k)^+}{(1+r)^n} - c \right] P(X_1=i_1, \dots, X_n=i_n) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{y=0}^n \left[ \frac{(S_u^y d^{n-y} - k)^+}{(1+r)^n} - c \right] p(Y=y) = 0$$

replace  $X, i_j$   
with  $y$

Rearrangement

$$C = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \sum_{y=0}^n (Su^y d^{n-y} - k)^+ P(Y=y) = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \tilde{E} [(Su^Y d^{n-Y} - k)^+]$$

$\boxed{\square}$

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