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Probability Calculus

Proofs, Definitions and Theorems

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PROOFS

1) MONOTONICITY OF MEASURES* (2043)

STATEMENT: EVERY MEASURE IS MONOTONE

PROOF: CONSIDER TWO SUBSETS A AND B OF Ω WITH $A \subseteq B$.
 DEFINE $C = B - A$, SINCE $A \subseteq B$ WE KNOW $B = C \cup A$ AND $C \cap A = \emptyset$
 SINCE μ IS ADDITIVE AND POSITIVE WE HAVE:
 $\mu(B) = \mu(C \cup A) = \mu(C) + \mu(A) \geq \mu(A)$, SO $\mu(B) \geq \mu(A)$.

2) TOTAL PROBABILITY* (2045)

STATEMENT: CONSIDER A MEASURE $\mu: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$, IT HOLDS:
 $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B) - \mu(A \cap B) \quad \forall A, B \subseteq \Omega$

PROOF: LET $A, B \subseteq \Omega$, WE HAVE: $A = (A - B) \cup (A \cap B)$ AND $(A - B) \cap (A \cap B) = \emptyset$
 SINCE μ IS ADDITIVE: $\mu(A) = \mu(A - B) + \mu(A \cap B)$, SO $\mu(A - B) = \mu(A) - \mu(A \cap B)$

SIMILARLY BY INTERCHANGING A AND B : $\mu(B - A) = \mu(B) - \mu(A \cap B)$

NOW CONSIDER $A \cup B = (A - B) \cup (A \cap B) \cup (B - A)$, WHICH ARE THREE
 PAIRWISE DISJOINT SETS, SO BY ADDITIVITY:

$$\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A - B) + \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(B - A)$$

$$\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) - \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(A \cap B) + \mu(B) - \mu(A \cap B)$$

$$\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B) - \mu(A \cap B)$$

3) PROBABILITY OF THE COMPLEMENT ^H (2052)

STATEMENT: GIVEN A PROBABILITY MEASURE $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$,
 $\forall A \in 2^{\Omega}$ WE HAVE: $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

PROOF: SINCE $A \cup A^c = \Omega$ AND $A \cap A^c = \emptyset$ BY ADDITIVITY:
 $P(A \cup A^c) = P(A) + P(A^c)$ AND SINCE $P(A \cup A^c) = 1$ IT BECOMES
 $1 = P(A) + P(A^c) \Rightarrow P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

4) SIMPLE PROBABILITIES AS SUM OF DIRAC PROBABILITIES* (2058)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY MEASURE
 FOR EACH EVENT A : $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_{\omega}(A)$

PROOF: IT IS ENOUGH TO SHOW THAT: $\sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_{\omega}(A)$

, SINCE WE KNOW THAT $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A \cap \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega)$, THEN IT FOLLOWS THAT:

$$P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_{\omega}(A) \text{ AS DESIRED.}$$

5) SIMPLE PROBABILITIES ARE COUNTABLY ADDITIVE * (2062)

STATEMENT: SIMPLE PROBABILITIES ARE COUNTABLY ADDITIVE.

PROOF: i) WE BEGIN BY PROVING THAT A DIRAC PROBABILITY δ_{ω_0} WITH $\omega_0 \in \Omega$ IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE. CONSIDER A COLLECTION OF EVENTS $\{A_m\}$, WITH $A_m \downarrow A$. WE HAVE TWO CASES: $\omega_0 \in A$ OR $\omega_0 \notin A$. IN THE FIRST CASE WE HAVE $\omega_0 \in A_m \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$, AND IN PARTICULAR $\delta_{\omega_0}(A_m) = 1 \forall m \geq 1$, PROVING THAT $\lim_m \delta_{\omega_0}(A_m) = 1 = \delta_{\omega_0}(A)$. IN THE SECOND CASE $\exists \bar{m} \geq 1$ SUCH THAT $\omega_0 \notin A_m \forall m \geq \bar{m}$ AND IN PARTICULAR $\delta_{\omega_0}(A_m) = 0 \forall m \geq \bar{m}$, PROVING THAT $\lim_m \delta_{\omega_0}(A_m) = 0 = \delta_{\omega_0}(A)$. WE CONCLUDE THAT δ_{ω_0} IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE.

ii) NOW LET $P: 2^\Omega \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY. WE KNOW THAT $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A \cap \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \forall A \subseteq \Omega$ WHICH BECOMES: $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_\omega(A) \forall A \subseteq \Omega$

NOW TAKE A COUNTABLE COLLECTION OF EVENTS $\{A_m\}$ WITH $A_m \downarrow A$. SINCE EACH DIRAC PROBABILITY δ_ω IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE WE HAVE:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_m P(A_m) &= \lim_m \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_\omega(A_m) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \lim_m \delta_\omega(A_m) = \\ &= \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega) \delta_\omega(A) = P(A) \end{aligned}$$

SO, SINCE $\lim_m P(A_m) = P(A)$, P IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE.

6) CHARACTERIZATION OF SIMPLE PROBABILITIES* (2070)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.
TWO RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ARE EQUAL P -a.e. \Leftrightarrow
 $\forall w \in \text{SUPP } P$ WE HAVE $f(w) = g(w)$

PROOF: "IF": LET $f(w) = g(w) \forall w \in \text{SUPP } P$. THEN $\text{SUPP } P \subseteq \{f = g\}$
AND SO, BY THE MONOTONICITY OF P WE HAVE $P(\{f = g\}) = 1$.

"ONLY IF": SUPPOSE $P(\{f = g\}) = 1$, THEN WE KNOW THAT $\text{SUPP } P \subseteq \{f = g\}$.
THEREFORE $f(w) = g(w) \forall w \in \Omega$

7) SAME EXPECTED VALUE* (2073)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.
IF TWO RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ARE EQUAL P -a.e. THEN
 $E_P(f) = E_P(g)$

PROOF: SINCE f, g ARE EQUAL P -a.e. WE HAVE THAT
 $f(w) = g(w) \forall w \in \text{SUPP } P$, THEREFORE WE CONCLUDE THAT:

$$E_P(f) = \sum_{w \in \text{SUPP } P} f(w) P(w) = \sum_{w \in \text{SUPP } P} g(w) P(w) = E_P(g)$$

8/9/10) PROPERTIES OF EXPECTED VALUE (2074)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.

FOR ALL RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WE HAVE:

$$i) E_P(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha E_P(f) + \beta E_P(g) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$ii) E_P(f) \geq E_P(g) \quad \text{IF } f \geq g$$

$$iii) E_P(f) = \sum_{\omega \in A} f(\omega) P(\omega) \quad \text{IF EVENT } A \text{ IS FINITE AND CONTAINS } \text{SUPP } P.$$

PROOF:

$$i) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R} \text{ WE HAVE: } E_P(\alpha f + \beta g) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} (\alpha f(\omega) + \beta g(\omega)) \cdot P(\omega) \\ = \alpha \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f(\omega) P(\omega) + \beta \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} g(\omega) P(\omega) = \alpha E_P(f) + \beta E_P(g)$$

ii) LET $f \geq g$ i.e. $f(\omega) \geq g(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$. AS $P \geq 0$ WE HAVE THAT $f(\omega) P(\omega) \geq g(\omega) P(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$ WHICH IN TURN IMPLIES:

$$\sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f(\omega) P(\omega) \geq \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} g(\omega) P(\omega) \implies E_P(f) \geq E_P(g)$$

iii) LET A BE A FINITE EVENT WITH $\text{SUPP } P \subseteq A$. WE KNOW THAT $P(\omega) = 0 \quad \forall \omega \in A$ WITH $\omega \notin \text{SUPP } P$, SO:

$$\sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f(\omega) P(\omega) = \sum_{\omega \in A} f(\omega) P(\omega) \implies E_P(f) = \sum_{\omega \in A} f(\omega) P(\omega).$$

11/12) PROPERTIES OF VARIANCE (2080)

STATEMENT: LET $P: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.
 \forall RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IT HOLDS:

$$i) V_P(f) = E_P(f^2) - E_P(f)^2$$

$$ii) V_P(\alpha f + \beta) = \alpha^2 V_P(f) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

PROOF:

i) FOR EACH $\omega \in \Omega$: $(f(\omega) - E_P(f))^2 = f(\omega)^2 - 2f(\omega)E_P(f) + E_P(f)^2$
 AND BY DEFINITION OF COVARIANCE AND LINEARITY OF THE EXPECTED VALUE:

$$V_P(f) = E_P(f - E_P(f))^2$$

$$(1) = E_P(f^2 - 2E_P(f)f + E_P(f)^2)$$

$$(2) = E_P(f^2) - 2E_P(f) \cdot E_P(f) + E_P(f)^2$$

$$(3) = E_P(f^2) - E_P(f)^2$$

AS DESIRED.

ii) BY THE LINEARITY OF THE EXPECTED VALUE, $\forall \omega \in \Omega$ WE HAVE:

$$(\alpha f(\omega) + \beta - E_P(\alpha f + \beta))^2 = \alpha^2 (f(\omega) - E_P(f))^2, \text{ WHICH BECOMES:}$$

$$V_P(\alpha f + \beta) = E_P(\alpha f + \beta - E_P(\alpha f + \beta))^2 =$$

$$(1) = E_P(\alpha^2 (f - E_P(f))^2)$$

$$(2) = \alpha^2 E_P(f - E_P(f))^2$$

$$(3) = \alpha^2 V_P(f)$$

AS DESIRED.

13/14) PROPERTIES OF COVARIANCE (2082)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.

\forall RANDOM VARIABLE $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IT HOLDS:

$$i) \text{COV}_P(f, g) = E_P(fg) - E_P(f)E_P(g)$$

$$ii) \text{COV}_P(\alpha f + \beta, \gamma g + \delta) = \alpha \gamma \text{COV}_P(f, g) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{R}$$

PROOF:

i) $\forall \omega \in \Omega$:

$$(f(\omega) - E_P(f))(g(\omega) - E_P(g)) = f(\omega)g(\omega) - f(\omega)E_P(g) - E_P(f)g(\omega) + E_P(f)E_P(g)$$

AND BY DEFINITION OF COVARIANCE AND LINEARITY OF THE EXPECTED VALUE:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{COV}(f, g) &= E_P(fg - E_P(g)f - E_P(f)g + E_P(f)E_P(g)) \\ (1) &= E_P(fg) - 2E_P(f)E_P(g) + E_P(f)E_P(g) \\ (2) &= E_P(fg) - E_P(f)E_P(g) \end{aligned}$$

AS DESIRED.

ii) BY THE LINEARITY OF THE EXPECTED VALUE, $\forall \omega \in \Omega$ WE HAVE:

$$(\alpha f(\omega) + \beta - E_P(\alpha f + \beta))(\gamma g(\omega) + \delta - E_P(\gamma g + \delta)) = \alpha \gamma (f(\omega) - E_P(f))(g(\omega) - E_P(g))$$

BY DEFINITION OF COVARIANCE WE HAVE:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{COV}_P(\alpha f + \beta, \gamma g + \delta) &= E_P((\alpha f + \beta - E_P(\alpha f + \beta))(\gamma g + \delta - E_P(\gamma g + \delta))) \\ (1) &= E_P(\alpha \gamma (f - E_P(f))(g - E_P(g))) \\ (2) &= \alpha \gamma \text{COV}_P(f, g) \end{aligned}$$

15) VARIANCE OF A SUM ^{*} (2083)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY.
 \forall RANDOM VARIABLE $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IT HOLDS:

$$V_P(f+g) = V_P(f) + V_P(g) + 2 \text{COV}_P(f, g)$$

PROOF: BY THE LINEARITY OF THE EXPECTED VALUE AND BY

$$\begin{aligned} V_P(f+g) &= E_P(f+g - E_P(f+g))^2 \\ (1) &= E_P((f - E_P(f)) + (g - E_P(g)))^2 \\ (2) &= E_P(f - E_P(f))^2 + E_P(g - E_P(g))^2 + 2 E_P(f - E_P(f))(g - E_P(g)) \\ (3) &= V_P(f) + V_P(g) + 2 \text{COV}_P(f, g) \text{ AS DESIRED.} \end{aligned}$$

16) COVARIANCE IS BOUNDED ^{*} (2084)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY. \forall RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: |\text{COV}_P(f, g)| \leq \sigma_P(f) \sigma_P(g)$

PROOF: LET $\text{SUPP } P = \{\omega_1 \dots \omega_m\}$ BE THE SUPPORT OF THE SIMPLE PROBABILITY P .
 FIRST, ASSUME THAT $E_P(f) = E_P(g) = 0$. $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ SET: $x_i = f(\omega_i) \sqrt{P(\omega_i)}$
 AND $y_i = g(\omega_i) \sqrt{P(\omega_i)}$ AND BY THE CAUCHY SWARTZ INEQUALITY:

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{COV}_P(f, g)| &= \left| \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f(\omega) g(\omega) P(\omega) \right| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^m x_i y_i \right| = |x \cdot y| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \\ &= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m (x_i \sqrt{P_i})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m (y_i \sqrt{P_i})^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i^2 P_i} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m y_i^2 P_i} = \\ &= \sqrt{\sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f^2(\omega) P(\omega)} \sqrt{\sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} g^2(\omega) P(\omega)} = \sigma_P(f) \sigma_P(g) \end{aligned}$$

THIS PROVES THE THESIS WHEN $E_P(f) = E_P(g) = 0$. IN THE GENERAL CASE,
 SET $\tilde{f} = f - E_P(f)$ AND $\tilde{g} = g - E_P(g)$, AS $E_P(\tilde{f}) = E_P(\tilde{g}) = 0$, BY WHAT WE
 JUST PROVED WE HAVE: $|\text{COV}_P(\tilde{f}, \tilde{g})| \leq \sigma_P(\tilde{f}) \sigma_P(\tilde{g})$.

BY PROPERTIES OF VARIANCE AND COVARIANCE: $\sigma_P(\tilde{f}) = \sigma_P(f)$, $\sigma_P(\tilde{g}) = \sigma_P(g)$
 AND $\text{COV}_P(\tilde{f}, \tilde{g}) = \text{COV}_P(f, g)$. WE CONCLUDE THAT THE THESIS HOLDS \forall
 RANDOM VARIABLE $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

17) DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION IS INCREASING* (2088)

STATEMENT: THE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION $\underline{F}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ IS INCREASING.

PROOF: LET $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $y \geq x$, CLEARLY $(\omega \leq x) \subseteq (\omega \leq y)$, SINCE P IS MONOTONE THIS IMPLIES: $\underline{F}(x) = P(\omega \leq x) \leq P(\omega \leq y) = \underline{F}(y)$ SHOWING THAT \underline{F} IS INCREASING.

18) DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS OF ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED R.V.S.* (2093)

STATEMENT: IF $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED, \exists SCALARS a AND b SUCH THAT: $\underline{F}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \leq a$ AND $\underline{F}(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \geq b$

PROOF: LET f BE ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED, BY DEFINITION $\exists m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ WITH $P(m \leq f \leq M) = 1$. NOW LET $x < m$, WE HAVE: $(\omega \leq x) \cap (m \leq f \leq M) = \emptyset$ AND SO $\underline{F}(x) = P(\omega \leq x) = 0$. NOW LET $x \geq M$, WE HAVE: $(m \leq f \leq M) \subseteq (\omega \leq x)$ AND SO, BY THE MONOTONICITY OF P WE HAVE:

$$1 \geq \underline{F}(x) = P(\omega \leq x) \geq P(m \leq f \leq M) = 1$$

SO, $\underline{F}(x) = 1$. NOW IF WE SET $b = M$ AND TAKE ANY $a < m$, IT HOLDS THAT $\underline{F}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \leq a$ AND $\underline{F}(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \geq b$, AS DESIRED.

19) CONTINUOUS DENSITY FUNCTIONS PROPERTY 1* (2097)

STATEMENT: LET $\overline{\Phi}$ BE A DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION WITH A CARRIER $[a, b]$. IF $\overline{\Phi}$ HAS A CONTINUOUS DENSITY FUNCTION ϕ , THEN:

$$\phi(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \notin [a, b]$$

PROOF: BY DEFINITION, $\overline{\Phi}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(t) dt \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$. NOW SET $z \geq b$.

SINCE $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi(x) dx = \int_a^b \phi dx = 1$, WE HAVE $\int_b^z \phi(x) dx = 0 \quad \forall z \geq b$.

WE KNOW $\phi(t) = 0 \quad \forall b \leq t \leq z$. SINCE z WAS CHOSEN ARBITRARILY, WE

CONCLUDE THAT $\phi(z) = 0 \quad \forall z \geq b$. A SIMILAR ARGUMENT SHOWS THAT $\phi(z) = 0 \quad \forall z \leq a$.

20) CONTINUOUS DENSITY FUNCTIONS PROPERTY 2* (2098)

STATEMENT: A DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION $\overline{\Phi}$ WITH A CARRIER $[a, b]$ HAS A UNIQUE CONTINUOUS DENSITY FUNCTION $\phi \iff$ IT IS CONTINUOUSLY DIFFERENTIABLE AND IN THIS CASE: $\gamma = \overline{\Phi}'$

PROOF: THE STATEMENT FOLLOWS IMMEDIATELY FROM THE APPLICATION OF THE BARROW - TORRICELLI THEOREM.

2.1) EXPECTED VALUE AS STIELTJES INTEGRAL* (2099)

STATEMENT: LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY, \forall RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: E_P(f) = \int_a^b x d\overline{\Phi}(x)$ WHERE $[a, b]$ IS A CARRIER OF $\overline{\Phi}$.

PROOF: LET $\text{SUPP}(P) = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_m\}$ AND SET $f(\omega_k) = x_k$, ASSUMING THE VALUES ARE DISTINCT. NOW LET $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_m$. SINCE $[a, b]$ IS A CARRIER $\Rightarrow a < x_1$ AND $x_m \leq b$ SO WE HAVE $P(\omega_k) = P(f = x_k)$ AND $E_P(f) = \sum_{k=1}^m f(\omega_k) P(\omega_k) = \sum_{k=1}^m x_k P(f = x_k)$.

NOW SINCE P IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE, $\forall k$ WE HAVE THAT

$$P(f = x_k) = \overline{\Phi}(x_k) - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k^-} \overline{\Phi}(x), \text{ SO } E_P(f) = \sum_{k=1}^m x_k \left(\overline{\Phi}(x_k) - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k^-} \overline{\Phi}(x) \right)$$

$\overline{\Phi}(x)$ IS INCREASING AND RIGHT CONTINUOUS, SO THE ABOVE IS EQUAL TO THE STIELTJES INTEGRAL, WHERE $a < x_1 < x_m \leq b$, THEREFORE:

$$E_P(f) = \sum_{k=1}^m x_k \left(\overline{\Phi}(x_k) - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_k^-} \overline{\Phi}(x) \right) = \int_a^b x d\overline{\Phi}(x)$$

DEFINITIONS

SET FUNCTION DEFINITION (2038)

A SET FUNCTION $\mu: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS A RULE THAT ASSOCIATES TO EACH SUBSET A OF Ω ONE, AND ONLY ONE, SCALAR $\mu(A)$.

SET FUNCTION PROPERTIES DEFINITION (2040)

A SET FUNCTION $\mu: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS:

- 1) GROUNDED IF $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- 2) POSITIVE IF $\mu(A) \geq 0 \quad \forall A$
- 3) MONOTONE IF $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ WHEN $A \subseteq B$
- 4) ADDITIVE IF $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ WHEN $A \cap B = \emptyset$
- 5) NORMALIZED IF $\mu(\Omega) = 1$

MEASURE DEFINITION (2042)

A GROUNDED, POSITIVE, AND ADDITIVE SET FUNCTION IS CALLED A MEASURE. IN THIS CASE WE WRITE: $\mu: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$.

PROBABILITY MEASURE DEFINITION (2046)

A NORMALIZED MEASURE IS CALLED A PROBABILITY MEASURE, IN THIS CASE WE WRITE $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$.

SIMPLE PROBABILITY DEFINITION (2063)

A PROBABILITY MEASURE $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ IS SIMPLE IF \exists A FINITE EVENT E SUCH THAT: $P(E) = 1$.

COUNTABLY ADDITIVE PROBABILITY DEFINITION (2069)

A PROBABILITY $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE IF:

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$$

RANDOM VARIABLE DEFINITION (2066)

A REAL VALUED FUNCTION $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ DEFINED ON A STATE SPACE IS CALLED A RANDOM VARIABLE.

P-a RANDOM VARIABLES DEFINITION (2069)

TWO RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ARE EQUAL P-ALMOST EVERYWHERE WHEN $P(\omega \in \Omega: f(\omega) = g(\omega)) = 1$ OR MORE COMPACTLY WHEN $P(f=g) = 1$.

EXPECTED VALUE DEFINITION (2074)

THE EXPECTED VALUE OF A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WITH RESPECT TO A SIMPLE PROBABILITY P IS THE QUANTITY:

$$E_P(f) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} f(\omega) P(\omega)$$

VARIANCE DEFINITION (2079)

THE VARIANCE OF A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WITH RESPECT TO A SIMPLE PROBABILITY P IS THE QUANTITY:

$$V_P(f) = \sum_{\omega \in \text{SUPP } P} E_P(f - E_P(f))^2$$

STANDARD DEVIATION DEFINITION

THE STANDARD DEVIATION IS THE SQUARE ROOT OF THE VARIANCE AND IS DENOTED BY $\sigma_P(f) = \sqrt{V_P(f)}$

COVARIANCE DEFINITION (2081)

THE COVARIANCE OF TWO RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WITH RESPECT TO A SIMPLE PROBABILITY P IS THE QUANTITY:

$$\text{COV}_P(f, g) = E_P(f - E_P(f)) \cdot (g - E_P(g))$$

CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION DEFINITION (2087)

THE CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION OF A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS THE FUNCTION $\Phi(x) = P(f \leq x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED RANDOM VARIABLE DEFINITION (2092)

A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED IF \exists SCALARS $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ SUCH THAT $P(m \leq f \leq M) = 1$.

INTEGRABLE DENSITY FUNCTION DEFINITION (2095)

A POSITIVE FUNCTION $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ IS AN INTEGRABLE DENSITY FUNCTION OF $\underline{\Phi}$ IF: $\underline{\Phi}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(t) dt \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

STIELTJES EXPECTED VALUE DEFINITION (2100)

THE EXPECTED VALUE OF A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WITH DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION $\underline{\Phi}$ UNDER A PROBABILITY $P: \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ IS THE IMPROPER STIELTJES INTEGRAL: $E_P(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x d\underline{\Phi}$, WHEN IT EXISTS.

SUPPORT OF A PROBABILITY DEFINITION

THE SUPPORT OF A PROBABILITY IS THE SET OF ALL OUTCOMES ω THAT HAVE NON-ZERO PROBABILITIES.

FORMALLY: $\text{SUPP}(P) = \{\omega \in \Omega : P(\omega) > 0\}$

CARRIER DEFINITION

AN INTERVAL $[a, b]$ SUCH THAT $\underline{\Phi}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \leq a$ AND $\underline{\Phi}(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \geq b$ IS CALLED A CARRIER OF A DISTRIBUTION

THEOREMS

ADDITIVITY THEOREM (2046)

LET $\mu: 2^\Omega \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ BE A MEASURE. FOR EVERY FINITE COLLECTION $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ OF PAIRWISE DISJOINT SUBSETS OF Ω ,

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu(A_i) \text{ HOLDS.}$$

UNIFORM PROBABILITY THEOREM (2048)

THE UNIFORM PROBABILITY ASSIGNS THE SAME PROBABILITY TO ALL SPACES, SO: $P(\omega) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$

DIRAC PROBABILITY THEOREM (2049)

FIX A STATE ω_0 IN ANY STATE SPACE Ω FINITE OR INFINITE. THE SET FUNCTION $P: 2^\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ DEFINED BY:

$$P(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{IF } \omega_0 \in A \\ 0 & \text{IF } \omega_0 \notin A \end{cases}$$

IS DENOTED BY δ_{ω_0} , AND CALLED DIRAC PROBABILITY MEASURE.

POISSON PROBABILITY THEOREM (2050)

TAKE $\Omega = \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m\}$. FIX A SCALAR $\lambda > 0$ AND DEFINE THE SCALAR SEQUENCE: $P_m = \frac{\lambda^m}{m!} \cdot e^{-\lambda} \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N}$.

FOR EACH EVENT $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ DEFINE THE SEQUENCE $a_m: \begin{cases} 1 & m \in A \\ 0 & m \notin A \end{cases}$

NOW DEFINE THE POISSON PROBABILITY $P: 2^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BY:

$$P(A) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m \cdot P_m \quad \forall A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$$

GEOMETRIC PROBABILITY THEOREM (2051)

CONSIDER $\Omega = \mathbb{N}$, LET $\{r_m\}$ BE A SEQUENCE OF POSITIVE NUMBERS SUCH THAT THE SERIES $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} r_m$ CONVERGES WITH SUM R .

DEFINE THE SCALAR SEQUENCE $P_m = \frac{r_m}{R}$.

THE GEOMETRIC PROBABILITY IS DEFINED BY TAKING $r_m = q^m$, $q \in (0, 1)$

AS $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} r_m$ IS THE GEOMETRIC SERIES, IN THIS CASE $P_m = (1-q) \cdot q^m$.

DEFINE THE SET FUNCTION $P: 2^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BY $P(A) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m P_m$.

PROBABILITY OF ANY ω OUTSIDE THE SUPPORT THEOREM

(2055)

LET $P: 2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY MEASURE. IF $\omega \notin E$

THEN $P(\omega) = 0$

PROBABILITY OF A SUPPORT OF A SIMPLE PROBABILITY (2056)

THE SUPPORT OF A SIMPLE PROBABILITY $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0,1]$ IS A FINITE EVENT WITH PROBABILITY 1, THAT IS $P(\text{SUPP } P) = 1$.
MOREOVER, $P(A) = 1$ IMPLIES $\text{SUPP } P \subseteq A$ FOR ALL EVENTS IN \mathcal{A} .

PROBABILITY AS A SUM OVER SUPPORT (2057)

LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0,1]$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY MEASURE.
FOR EACH EVENT A : $P(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A \cap \text{SUPP } P} P(\omega)$

CONVERGENT EVENTS AND COUNTABLE ADDITIVITY 1° (2061)

LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0,1]$ BE A PROBABILITY, THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ARE EQUIVALENT:

- i) P IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE
- ii) IF $A_m \uparrow A$, THEN $P(A_m) \uparrow P(A)$
- iii) IF $A_m \downarrow A$, THEN $P(A_m) \downarrow P(A)$

CONVERGENT EVENTS AND COUNTABLE ADDITIVITY

2° (2063)

LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0,1]$ BE A PROBABILITY, THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ARE EQUIVALENT:

- i) IF $A_m \uparrow \Omega$, THEN $P(A_m) \uparrow 1$
- ii) IF $A_m \uparrow A$, THEN $P(A_m) \uparrow P(A)$
- iii) IF $A_m \downarrow A$, THEN $P(A_m) \downarrow P(A)$
- iiii) IF $A_m \downarrow \emptyset$, THEN $P(A_m) \downarrow 0$

COUNTABLY ADDITIVE POISSON PROBABILITY THEOREM (2064)

THE POISSON PROBABILITY IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE.

NO COUNTABLY ADDITIVE UNIFORM PROBABILITY THEOREM (2065)

THERE IS NO COUNTABLY ADDITIVE UNIFORM PROBABILITY $P: 2^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow [0,1]$

PERFECT CORRELATION (2085)

LET $P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE A SIMPLE PROBABILITY, FOR RANDOM VARIABLES $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, NON-CONSTANT P -a. IT HOLDS: $|PP(f, g)| = 1$
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ SCALARS $\alpha \neq 0$ AND β SUCH THAT P -a: $f = \alpha g + \beta$
 IN PARTICULAR $PP(f, g) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \alpha > 0$ AND $PP(f, g) = -1 \Leftrightarrow \alpha < 0$

RIGHT CONTINUITY OF $\underline{\Phi}$ THEOREM (2089)

IF P IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE, THEN $\underline{\Phi}$ IS RIGHT CONTINUOUS, WITH

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \underline{\Phi}(x) = 0 \quad \text{AND} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \underline{\Phi}(x) = 1$$

CONTINUITY OF $\underline{\Phi}$ THEOREM (2090)

IF P IS COUNTABLY ADDITIVE, THEN, $\forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\underline{\Phi}(x_0) - \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0^-} \underline{\Phi}(x) = P(f = x_0)$$

MOREOVER, $\underline{\Phi}$ IS CONTINUOUS AT $x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \iff P(f = x_0) = 0$

$\underline{\Phi}$ OF THE DIRAC PROBABILITY THEOREM (2091)

LET δ_{ω_0} BE THE DIRAC PROBABILITY CENTERED AT SOME STATE $\omega_0 \in \Omega$. THE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION OF A RANDOM VARIABLE $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS GIVEN BY:

$$\underline{\Phi} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{IF } x < x_0 \\ 1 & \text{IF } x \geq x_0 \end{cases}$$

WHERE $x_0 = f(\omega_0)$, HERE $\underline{\Phi}$ IS DISCONTINUOUS ONLY AT x_0 , WITH JUMP OF SIZE $P(f = x_0) = 1$

UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION AND GAUSSIAN THEOREM (2096)

i) GIVEN ANY TWO SCALARS $a < b$, CONSIDER THE UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION:

$$\underline{\Phi}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{IF } x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & \text{IF } a \leq x \leq b \\ 1 & \text{IF } x > b \end{cases}$$

THE INTERVAL $[a, b]$ IS THE SMALLEST CARRIER OF $\underline{\Phi}$. ITS DENSITY FUNCTION, CALLED UNIFORM IS:

$$\phi(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{IF } a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{OTHERWISE} \end{cases}$$

BECAUSE $\int_{-\infty}^x \phi(t) dt = \int_a^x \frac{1}{b-a} dt = \underline{\Phi}(x) \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$

AND $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi(x) dx = 1.$

ii) THE GAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION IS: $\underline{\Phi}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$

THIS DISTRIBUTION HAS NO CARRIERS, AND

ITS DENSITY FUNCTION, CALLED GAUSSIAN, IS $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$

BECAUSE $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi(t) dt = 1$

ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED RANDOM VARIABLE AND E_p THEOREM (2101)

ALL ESSENTIALLY BOUNDED RANDOM VARIABLES HAVE FINITE EXPECTED VALUE.

EXAMPLE 2102

i) FOR THE UNIFORM DENSITY ϕ , IT HOLDS :

$$E_P(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \phi(x) dx = \int_a^b x \frac{1}{b-a} dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b x dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \cdot \frac{(b^2 - a^2)}{2} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

ii) FOR THE GAUSSIAN DENSITY ϕ IT HOLDS:

$$\begin{aligned} E_P(f) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \phi(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \int_0^{+\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \int_0^{+\infty} (-x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx - \int_0^{+\infty} (-x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \end{aligned}$$

LINEARITY AND MONOTONICITY OF $E_P(f)$ THEOREM (2104)

LET $f, g: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ BE RANDOM VARIABLES WITH FINITE EXPECTED VALUES, THEN:

i) $E_P(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha E_P(f) + \beta E_P(g) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$

ii) $E_P(f) \geq E_P(g) \quad \text{if } f \geq g$

iii) $E_P(k) = k \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{R}$

i) AND iii) TOGETHER IMPLY THAT $\forall k \in \mathbb{R} \quad E_P(f+k) = E_P(f) + k$
FOR ALL $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WITH FINITE EXPECTED VALUE.

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H = HOMEWORK

PROOFS

22) CHARACTERIZATION OF DECOMPOSABLE FINANCIAL LAWS* (35)

STATEMENT: LET $f(t)$ BE A CONTINUOUS ACCUMULATION FACTOR, WITH $t \geq 0$. THE ACCUMULATION FACTOR $f(t)$ IS DECOMPOSABLE $\Leftrightarrow f(t)$ IS A COMPOUND ACCUMULATION LAW.

PROOF:

"ONLY IF": ASSUME THAT $f(t)$ IS A DECOMPOSABLE ACCUMULATION FACTOR SO $\forall t, s \geq 0, f(t) = f(s) \cdot f(t-s)$. FROM THE EXPONENTIAL EQUATION THEOREM WE KNOW THAT $f(t) = e^{\delta t}$, WITH $\delta \geq 0$.

"IF": CONSIDER THE COMPOUND ACCUMULATION FACTOR $f(t) = e^{\delta t}$ $\delta \geq 0$. WE HAVE: $f(t) = e^{\delta t} = e^{\delta(t-s+s)} = e^{\delta(t-s)} \cdot e^{\delta s} = f(t-s) \cdot f(s)$ AND $f(t) = e^{\delta t}, \delta \geq 0$, IS A DECOMPOSABLE ACCUMULATION FACTOR.

23) FORMULA FOR ORDINARY ANNUITIES*₍₄₂₎

STATEMENT:

- i) THE FINAL VALUE OF AN ORDINARY ANNUITY WITH ANNUAL COMPOUND RATE i IS: $M = R \cdot s_{\overline{m}|i}$
- ii) THE PRESENT VALUE OF AN ORDINARY ANNUITY WITH ANNUAL COMPOUND RATE i IS: $A = R \cdot a_{\overline{m}|i}$

WHERE R IS THE INSTALLMENT AND m THEIR NUMBER

PROOF:

$$i) M = \sum_{s=1}^m R (1+i)^{m-s} = R (1+i) \sum_{s=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{1+i}\right)^s = R \cdot \frac{(1+i)^m - 1}{i} = R \cdot s_{\overline{m}|i}$$

$$ii) A = \sum_{s=1}^m R (1+i)^{-s} = R \sum_{s=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{1+i}\right)^s = R \cdot \frac{1 - (1+i)^{-m}}{i} = R \cdot a_{\overline{m}|i}$$

24) FORMULA FOR DUE ANNUITIES^H (46)

STATEMENT:

i) THE FINAL VALUE OF A DUE ANNUITY WITH ANNUAL COMPOUND RATE i IS: $M = R \cdot s \ddot{m}|i$

ii) THE PRESENT VALUE OF A DUE ANNUITY WITH ANNUAL COMPOUND RATE i IS: $A = R \cdot a \ddot{m}|i$

WHERE R IS THE INSTALLMENT AND m THEIR NUMBER

PROOF:

$$i) M = \sum_{s=1}^{m-1} R(1+i)^{m-(s-1)} = R(1+i)^m \sum_{s=1}^{m-1} \left(\frac{1}{1+i}\right)^{s-1} = R(1+i)^m \cdot \frac{(1+i)^m - 1}{i} = R \cdot s \ddot{m}|i$$

$$ii) A = \sum_{s=1}^{m-1} R(1+i)^{-(s-1)} = R(1+i)^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^{m-1} (1+i)^s = R(1+i)^{-1} \cdot \frac{1 - (1+i)^{-m}}{i} = R \cdot a \ddot{m}|i$$

25) DURATION AS A DATE OF FINANCIAL IMMUNIZATION* (62)

STATEMENT: GIVEN A FIXED INCOME BOND THAT PAYS:

YEARS	t_1	t_2	...	t_m
INFLOWS	a_1	a_2	...	a_m

IF i) THE YIELD TO MATURITY OF THE BOND AT $t_0 = 0$ IS i
 ii) THE RATE i UNDERGOES A VARIATION Δi AT $T \in (0, t_1]$ AND THE NEW RATE $i' = i + \Delta i$ DOES NOT UNDERGO FURTHER VARIATIONS.

THEN: THE BOND INVESTMENT IS FINANCIALLY IMMUNIZED AGAINST THE INTEREST RATE RISK AT THE DATE:

$$Z^* = \frac{\sum_{s=1}^m t_s \cdot a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}}{\sum_{s=1}^m a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}} = D(i)$$

PROOF: IT'S A MINIMUM PROBLEM: $\text{MIN } V(Z^*, x)$
WITH RESPECT TO x

FERMAT: WE WANT i TO BE A (MINIMIZER) STATIONARY POINT: $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=i} = 0$

$V(Z^*, x) = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k (1+x)^{z^*-t_k}$, WE HAVE: $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k (z^*-t_k) (1+x)^{z^*-t_k-1}$

AND $\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=i} = 0$ IS JUST: $\sum_{k=1}^m a_k (z^*-t_k) (1+i)^{z^*-t_k-1} = 0$

WHICH BECOMES $\sum_{k=1}^m a_k z^* (1+i)^{z^*-t_k-1} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_k t_k (1+i)^{z^*-t_k-1}$

BY GROUPING Z^* AND SOLVING FOR IT WE HAVE: $Z^* = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^m a_k t_k (1+i)^{-t_k}}{\sum_{k=1}^m a_k (1+i)^{-t_k}} = D(i)$

FINALLY, WE KNOW THAT i IS A MINIMUM SINCE WE HAVE $\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} \Big|_{x=i} > 0$

26) BOND PRICE VOLATILITY* (64)

STATEMENT: IF THE MARKET PRICE OF A FIXED INCOME BOND IS:

$$P(i) = \sum_{s=1}^m a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}, \text{ THEN:}$$

i) THE RELATION: $\frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} = -\frac{D(i)}{1+i}$ HOLDS.

ii) A LINEAR APPROXIMATION OF THE VOLATILITY OF THE PRICE IS:

$$\frac{\Delta P(i)}{P(i)} \approx \frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} \Delta i = -\frac{D(i)}{1+i} \Delta i$$

PROOF:

i) SINCE $P'(i) = \sum_{s=1}^m -t_s \cdot a_s (1+i)^{-t_s-1} = -(1+i)^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^m t_s \cdot a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}$

WE HAVE:

$$\frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} = -(1+i)^{-1} \cdot \frac{\sum_{s=1}^m t_s \cdot a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}}{\sum_{s=1}^m a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}} = -\frac{D(i)}{1+i}$$

ii) THE FUNCTION $P(i)$ IS STRICTLY POSITIVE AND DIFFERENTIABLE EVERYWHERE. SO WE CAN CONSIDER THE FIRST ORDER TAYLOR FORMULA AT EVERY POINT $i \in (-1, +\infty)$:

$P(i + \Delta i) - P(i) = P'(i) \Delta i + o(\Delta i)$ AS $\Delta i \rightarrow 0$, THEREFORE

$$\frac{\Delta P(i)}{P(i)} = \frac{P(i + \Delta i) - P(i)}{P(i)} = \frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} \Delta i + \frac{o(\Delta i)}{P(i)} = \frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} \Delta i + o(\Delta i)$$

AS $\Delta i \rightarrow 0$. BY NEGLECTING $o(\Delta i)$ WE GET THE DESIRED

LINEAR APPROXIMATION: $\frac{\Delta P(i)}{P(i)} = \frac{P'(i)}{P(i)} \Delta i = -\frac{D(i)}{1+i} \Delta i$

WE HAVE AN APPROXIMATION OF BOND PRICE VOLATILITY AS A LINEAR FUNCTION OF Δi . THE RATIO:

$$D^*(i) = \frac{D(i)}{1+i}$$

IS CALLED MODIFIED DURATION AND REPRESENTS A MEASURE OF

THE VOLATILITY OF THE BOND PRICE: $\frac{\Delta P(i)}{P(i)} \approx -D^*(i) \Delta i$.

THE HIGHER IT IS, THE GREATER THE VOLATILITY.

27) LAW OF ONE PRICE (LOP)^{*} (1207)

STATEMENT: SUPPOSE THE FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) SATISFIES THE LOP. THEN THE PRICING RULE $f: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS LINEAR.

PROOF: FIRST OBSERVE THAT BY THE LOP $v = f \circ R$, THAT IS $v(\underline{x}) = f(R(\underline{x})) \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$. LET US PROVE THE LINEARITY OF f . LET $\underline{w}, \underline{w}' \in W$ AND $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. WE WANT TO SHOW THAT $f(\alpha \underline{w} + \beta \underline{w}') = \alpha f(\underline{w}) + \beta f(\underline{w}')$. SINCE $W = \text{im} R \exists$ VECTORS $\underline{x}, \underline{x}' \in \mathbb{R}^m$ SUCH THAT $R(\underline{x}) = \underline{w}$ AND $R(\underline{x}') = \underline{w}'$.

BY DEFINITION OF PRICE, OF A REPLICABLE CONTINGENT CLAIM $P_{\underline{w}} = v(\underline{x})$ AND $P_{\underline{w}'} = v(\underline{x}')$. BY THE LINEARITY OF R AND v WE HAVE:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha \underline{w} + \beta \underline{w}') &= f(\alpha R(\underline{x}) + \beta R(\underline{x}')) = f(R(\alpha \underline{x} + \beta \underline{x}')) = v(\alpha \underline{x} + \beta \underline{x}') \\ &= \alpha v(\underline{x}) + \beta v(\underline{x}') = \alpha P_{\underline{w}} + \beta P_{\underline{w}'} = \alpha f(\underline{w}) + \beta f(\underline{w}') \end{aligned}$$

THEREFORE THE FUNCTION $f: W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS LINEAR ON W .

28) FIRST NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION AND LOP*

(1210)

STATEMENT: A FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) THAT HAS NO ARBITRAGES OF I KIND, SATISFIES THE LOP.

PROOF: BY APPLYING THE FIRST NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION TO THE PORTFOLIO $-\underline{x}$, WE HAVE:

$$-R(\underline{x}) \geq \underline{0} \implies -v(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{WHICH MEANS:}$$

$$R(\underline{x}) \leq \underline{0} \implies v(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad \text{WHICH IMPLIES:}$$

$$R(\underline{x}) = \underline{0} \implies v(\underline{x}) = 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

LET \underline{x} AND \underline{x}' BE TWO PORTFOLIOS SUCH THAT $R(\underline{x}) = R(\underline{x}')$. THE LINEARITY OF \mathbb{R} IMPLIES $R(\underline{x} - \underline{x}') = \underline{0}$ AND SO $v(\underline{x}' - \underline{x}) = 0$, i.e. $v(\underline{x}') = v(\underline{x})$ BY THE LINEARITY OF v .

29) LINEAR AND INCREASING PRICING RULE* (1211)

STATEMENT: A COMPLETE FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) , WITH $P \neq 0$ SATISFIES THE FIRST NO ARBITRAGE CONDITION \Leftrightarrow THE PRICING RULE IS LINEAR AND INCREASING, THAT IS, \exists A UNIQUE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in \mathbb{R}_+^k$ SUCH THAT: $f(\underline{w}) = \underline{\pi} \cdot \underline{w} \quad \forall \underline{w} \in W$

PROOF:

"IF": LET $R(\underline{x}) \geq 0$. THEN $v(\underline{x}) = f(R(\underline{x})) = \underline{\pi} \cdot R(\underline{x}) \geq 0$ BECAUSE $\underline{\pi} \geq 0$ BY HYPOTHESIS.

"ONLY IF": SINCE THE MARKET IS COMPLETE, WE HAVE $W = \text{im } R = \mathbb{R}^k$. BY THE FIRST NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION AND LOP THEOREM, THE LOP HOLDS AND SO f IS LINEAR. WE NEED TO SHOW THAT f IS INCREASING. SINCE f IS LINEAR, IT IS SUFFICIENT TO SHOW THAT f IS POSITIVE, I.E. THAT $\underline{w} \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(\underline{w}) \geq 0$.

LET $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ WITH $\underline{w} \geq 0$ BEING $\text{im } R = \mathbb{R}^k$, $\exists \underline{\bar{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ SUCH THAT $R(\underline{\bar{x}}) = \underline{w}$. SO WE HAVE $R(\underline{\bar{x}}) = \underline{w} \geq 0$ AND SO THE FIRST NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION IMPLIES $v(\underline{\bar{x}}) \geq 0$

THEREFORE $f(\underline{w}) = f(R(\underline{\bar{x}})) = v(\underline{\bar{x}}) \geq 0$. WE CONCLUDE THAT THE LINEAR FUNCTION f IS POSITIVE, AND SO INCREASING.

BY THE RIESZ-MARKOV THEOREM, \exists A UNIQUE POSITIVE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in \mathbb{R}_+^k$ SUCH THAT: $f(\underline{z}) = \underline{\pi} \cdot \underline{z}, \quad \forall \underline{z} \in \mathbb{R}^k$

30) FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM OF FINANCE* (1212)

STATEMENT: A COMPLETE FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) , WITH $P \neq 0$, SATISFIES THE TWO NO ARBITRAGE CONDITIONS \Leftrightarrow THE PRICING RULE IS LINEAR AND STRICTLY INCREASING, THAT IS, \exists A UNIQUE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in \mathbb{R}_+^k$ SUCH THAT: $f(\underline{w}) = \underline{\pi} \cdot \underline{w} \quad \forall \underline{w} \in W$

PROOF:

"IF": LET $R(\underline{x}) > 0$. THEN $v(\underline{x}) = f(R(\underline{x})) = \underline{\pi} \cdot R(\underline{x}) > 0$ BECAUSE $\underline{\pi} \gg 0$ BY HYPOTHESIS.

"ONLY IF": BY THE PRICING RULE THEOREM f IS LINEAR AND INCREASING. WE NEED TO SHOW THAT f IS STRICTLY INCREASING.

SINCE f IS LINEAR, IT IS SUFFICIENT TO SHOW THAT f IS STRICTLY POSITIVE, I.E. THAT $\underline{w} > 0 \Rightarrow f(\underline{w}) > 0$.

LET $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ WITH $\underline{w} > 0$. BEING $\text{im } R = \mathbb{R}^k$, $\exists \underline{\bar{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ SUCH THAT $R(\underline{\bar{x}}) = \underline{w}$.

SO WE HAVE $R(\underline{\bar{x}}) = \underline{w} > 0$ AND SO THE SECOND NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION IMPLIES $v(\underline{\bar{x}}) \geq 0$ BECAUSE OF THE LINEARITY OF v .

THEREFORE $f(\underline{w}) = f(R(\underline{\bar{x}})) = v(\underline{\bar{x}}) > 0$. WE CONCLUDE THAT

THE LINEAR FUNCTION f IS STRICTLY POSITIVE, AND SO STRICTLY INCREASING.

BY THE RIESZ-MARKOV THEOREM, \exists A UNIQUE STRONGLY POSITIVE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in \mathbb{R}_+^k$ SUCH THAT: $f(\underline{z}) = \underline{\pi} \cdot \underline{z}$, $\forall \underline{z} \in \mathbb{R}^k$.

DEFINITIONS

ELEMENTARY FINANCIAL OPERATION DEFINITION (1)

AN EXCHANGE BETWEEN TWO AMOUNTS OF MONEY AVAILABLE ON DIFFERENT DATES IS CALLED AN ELEMENTARY FINANCIAL OPERATION.

ACCUMULATION OPERATION DEFINITION (2)

LET M AND C BE TWO POSITIVE REAL NUMBERS. AN ACCUMULATION OPERATION IS AN EXCHANGE BETWEEN AN AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE TODAY C (PRINCIPAL OR INVESTED CAPITAL) WITH ANOTHER ONE M (FINAL VALUE OR ACCUMULATED VALUE) AVAILABLE IN THE FUTURE (AT A DATE $t \geq 0$).

DISCOUNT OPERATION DEFINITION (3)

LET S AND A BE TWO POSITIVE REAL NUMBERS. A DISCOUNT OPERATION IS AN EXCHANGE BETWEEN AN AMOUNT OF MONEY S (NOMINAL VALUE) AVAILABLE AT $t \geq 0$ WITH ANOTHER ONE A (PRESENT VALUE OR DISCOUNTED VALUE) AVAILABLE TODAY (AT $t = 0$).

CONJUGATED FINANCIAL FACTORS DEFINITION (7)

LET $f(t)$ AND $e(t)$ BE, RESPECTIVELY, AN ACCUMULATION FACTOR AND A DISCOUNT FACTOR. THE FINANCIAL FACTORS $f(t)$ AND $e(t)$ ARE SAID TO BE CONJUGATED FINANCIAL FACTORS WHEN: $\forall t \geq 0$
 $f(t) \cdot e(t) = 1$.

ANNUAL INTEREST RATE DEFINITION (9)

THE INTEREST GENERATED BY € 1 INVESTED FOR THE FIRST YEAR IS INDICATED WITH THE SYMBOL i AND IS CALLED THE ANNUAL INTEREST RATE.

SIMPLE INTEREST DEFINITION

THE INTEREST INDICATED WITH I IS A FUNCTION OF C , t AND i AND IS DEFINED BY THE FORMULA:

$$I = C \cdot i \cdot t \quad \text{WITH } C, t \geq 0 \text{ AND } i > 0$$

SIMPLE DISCOUNT DEFINITION

THE SIMPLE DISCOUNT IS THE CONJUGATE OPERATION OF SIMPLE ACCUMULATION, AND IS DEFINED BY THE DISCOUNT FACTOR:

$$e(t) = \frac{1}{1+it} \quad \text{FOR } t \geq 0$$

COMPOUND INTEREST DEFINITION

COMPOUND INTEREST IS THE INTEREST CALCULATED ON BOTH THE INITIAL PRINCIPAL AND THE INTEREST ACCUMULATED FROM PREVIOUS PERIODS. THE FINAL VALUE M OF A PRINCIPAL C INVESTED AT TIME 0, AT MATURITY t , IS GIVEN BY:

$$M = C \cdot (1+i)^t \quad \text{FOR } t \geq 0$$

COMPOUND DISCOUNT DEFINITION

THE COMPOUND DISCOUNT IS THE CONJUGATED OPERATION OF COMPOUND ACCUMULATION, AND IS DEFINED BY THE DISCOUNT FACTOR:

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{(1+i)^t} \quad \text{FOR } t \geq 0$$

CONTINUOUSLY COMPOUNDED INTEREST

CONTINUOUSLY COMPOUNDED INTEREST ASSUMES INTEREST IS CAPITALIZED AT EVERY INSTANT, AND IS DEFINED BY THE FORMULA:

$$M = C \cdot e^{\delta t} \quad \text{FOR } t \geq 0$$

WHERE $\delta \geq 0$ IS CALLED THE FORCE OF INTEREST.

FORCE OF INTEREST DEFINITION

FOR THE FINANCIAL LAW $f(t)$ WE DEFINE THE FORCE OF INTEREST AS:

$$p(t) \equiv \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t+h) - f(t)}{f(t)} \cdot \frac{1}{h} \equiv \frac{f'(t)}{f(t)}$$

- FOR SIMPLE INTEREST: $p(t) = \frac{i}{1+it}$
- FOR COMPOUND INTEREST: $p(t) = \ln(1+i)$

DECOMPOSABILITY DEFINITION (33)

LET $f(t)$ BE AN ACCUMULATION FACTOR. THE ACCUMULATION FACTOR $f(t)$ IS SAID TO BE DECOMPOSABLE WHEN: $f(t) = f(t-s) \cdot f(s)$
 $\forall s, t$ SUCH THAT $0 \leq s \leq t$.

ANNUITY DEFINITION (36)

THE SEQUENCE OF CASH FLOWS $R_1, R_2 \dots R_m$ WITH THE SAME SIGN AND MATURITIES, RESPECTIVELY, $t_1, t_2 \dots t_m$ IS CALLED AN ANNUITY.

IF $R_s \geq 0 \forall s$ THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL INFLOWS, MEANWHILE IF $R_s \leq 0 \forall s$, THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL OUTFLOWS.

ORDINARY ANNUITY DEFINITION (38)

LET s BE A NATURAL NUMBER. THE SEQUENCE OF CASH FLOWS $R_1, R_2 \dots R_m$ WITH THE SAME SIGN AND MATURITIES, RESPECTIVELY, $1, 2, \dots, m$ IS CALLED AN ORDINARY ANNUITY. IF $R_s \geq 0 \forall s$, THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL INFLOWS, MEANWHILE IF $R_s \leq 0 \forall s$, THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL OUTFLOWS.

DUE ANNUITY DEFINITION (44)

LET s BE A NATURAL NUMBER. THE SEQUENCE OF CASH FLOWS $R_1, R_2 \dots R_m$ WITH THE SAME SIGN AND MATURITIES RESPECTIVELY, $0, 1, \dots, m-1$ IS CALLED A DUE ANNUITY. IF $R_s \geq 0 \forall s$, THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL INFLOWS, MEANWHILE IF $R_s \leq 0 \forall s$, THEN THE CASH FLOWS ARE ALL OUTFLOWS.

ORDINARY PERPETUITY DEFINITION (47)

A FINANCIAL OPERATION DESCRIBED BY THE FOLLOWING TABLE

YEARS	$t_0=0$	1	2	3	...	$m-1$	m	...
CASH FLOWS		R	R	R	...	R	R	...

IS CALLED AN ORDINARY PERPETUITY (WHERE THE CASH FLOWS ARE INFINITELY MANY, AND FOR SIMPLICITY WE ASSUME THAT THEY ALL HAVE THE SAME VALUE).

DUE PERPETUITY DEFINITION (50)

A FINANCIAL OPERATION DESCRIBED BY THE FOLLOWING TABLE

YEARS	$t_0=0$	1	2	3	...	$m-1$	m	...
CASH FLOWS	R	R	R	R	...	R	R	...

IS CALLED A DUE PERPETUITY (WHERE THE CASH FLOWS ARE INFINITELY MANY, AND FOR SIMPLICITY WE ASSUME THAT THEY ALL HAVE THE SAME VALUE).

DCF DEFINITION

YEARS	$t_0=0$	t_1	t_2	...	$t_m=T$
CASH FLOW	a_0	a_1	a_2	...	a_m

CONSIDER THE FINANCIAL OPERATION:

THE FUNCTION $g: (-1, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ DEFINED BY $G(x) = \sum_{s=0}^{m-1} \frac{a_s}{(1+x)^{t_s}}$

IS THE DISCOUNTED CASH FLOW ASSOCIATED TO THE FINANCIAL OPERATION. IT DESCRIBES THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE CASH FLOW, WHERE THE COMPOUND ANNUAL INTEREST RATE IS TAKEN AS A VARIABLE.

NPV DEFINITION

YEARS	$t_0=0$	t_1	t_2	...	$t_m=T$
CASH FLOW	a_0	a_1	a_2	...	a_m

CONSIDER THE FINANCIAL OPERATION:

AND ITS DISCOUNTED CASH FLOW $G(x)$.

THE AMOUNT $G(i)$ IS CALLED NET PRESENT VALUE OF THE FINANCIAL OPERATION AT THE RATE i .

$$G(i) = \sum_{s=0}^{m-1} \frac{a_s}{(1+i)^{t_s}}$$

INVESTMENT DEFINITION

A FINANCIAL OPERATION, WITH MATURITY T , DESCRIBED BY THE FOLLOWING TABLE :

YEARS	$t_0=0$	t_1	t_2	t_3	...	t_{m-1}	$t_m=T$
CASH FLOWS	a_0	a_1	a_2	a_3	...	a_{m-1}	a_m

IS CALLED AN INVESTMENT IF: $a_0 < 0$ AND $a_s \geq 0$, $\forall s = 1, 2, \dots, m$ WITH AT LEAST AN $a_s > 0$

LOAN DEFINITION

A FINANCIAL OPERATION, WITH MATURITY T , DESCRIBED BY THE FOLLOWING TABLE :

YEARS	$t_0=0$	t_1	t_2	t_3	...	t_{m-1}	$t_m=T$
CASH FLOWS	a_0	a_1	a_2	a_3	...	a_{m-1}	a_m

IS CALLED A LOAN IF: $a_0 > 0$ AND $a_s \leq 0$, $\forall s = 1, 2, \dots, m$ WITH AT LEAST AN $a_s < 0$

INTERNAL RATES DEFINITION

THE INTERNAL RATE OF A FINANCIAL OPERATION IS ANY SOLUTION OF THE EQUATION $G(x) = 0$.

- IF IT IS A TYPICAL INVESTMENT: IRR (INTERNAL RATE OF RETURN)
- IF IT IS A TYPICAL LOAN: EC (EFFECTIVE COST)

IRR AND EFFECTIVE COST DEFINITION (53)

THE INTERNAL RATE OF AN INVESTMENT IS CALLED THE INTERNAL RATE OF RETURN (OR IRR), WHILE THE INTERNAL RATE OF A LOAN IS CALLED THE EFFECTIVE COST OF THE LOAN.

FIXED-INCOME BOND DEFINITION

A FIXED INCOME BOND IS A SECURITY THAT CONTRACTUALLY GUARANTEES FUTURE PAYMENTS BOTH IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNTS AND OF THE MATURITY DATES.

YIELD TO MATURITY OF A ZCB DEFINITION (55)

THE YIELD TO MATURITY, OR GROSS COUPON YIELD, OF A ZCB IS THE GROSS COMPOUND RATE OF RETURN $i = i(0, T)$ THAT CHARACTERIZES THE INVESTMENT FROM 0 UNTIL THE MATURITY $T \geq 0$ OF THE ZCB.

$$i(0, T) = \left(\frac{N}{P_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{T}} - 1$$

YIELD TO MATURITY OF A BOND WITH COUPONS DEFINITION (57)

THE YIELD TO MATURITY (YTM) OF THE BOND DESCRIBED BY THE CASH FLOWS:

YEARS	$t_0 = 0$	t_1	t_2	...	$t_m = T$
CASH FLOWS	$-P_0$	C_1	C_2	...	$C_m + R$

IS THE COMPOUND INTEREST RATE x^* WHICH SOLVES THE EQUATION:

$$G(x) = -P_0 + \sum_{s=1}^m C_s (1+x)^{-t_s} + R (1+x)^{-t_m} = 0$$

DURATION DEFINITION (59)

GIVEN THE CASH FLOW: (A):

YEARS	t_1	t_2	...	t_m
INFLOWS	a_1	a_2	...	a_m

WITH $a_s > 0, s = 1, \dots, m$

THE (MACAULAY) DURATION OF (A), CALCULATED AT THE (ANNUAL COMPOUND INTEREST) RATE $i > -1$ IS THE QUANTITY:

$$D(i) = \frac{\sum_{s=1}^m t_s \cdot a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}}{\sum_{s=1}^m a_s (1+i)^{-t_s}}$$

FINANCIAL IMMUNIZATION DEFINITION (61)

AN INVESTMENT AT RATE i IS FINANCIALLY (GLOBALLY) IMMUNIZED AT YEAR z^* AGAINST THE INTEREST RATE RISK IF:

$$V(z^*, i + \Delta i) \geq V(z^*, i) \quad \forall \Delta i$$

AND THE LIFETIME z^* IS CALLED THE DATE OF IMMUNIZATION.

VOLATILITY DEFINITION

THE VOLATILITY OF THE PRICE OF A BOND IS THE SENSITIVITY OF THE PRICE TO A CHANGE IN YIELD RATE: $\frac{\Delta P(i)}{P(i)} = \frac{P(i+\Delta i) - P(i)}{P(i)}$ EXPRESSED IN PERCENTAGE.

MODIFIED DURATION DEFINITION

WE CALL MODIFIED DURATION OF A SECURITY AT THE MARKET RATE i , THE VALUE: $D^*(i) = \frac{D(i)}{1+i}$

PORTFOLIO DEFINITION

A PORTFOLIO IS A VECTOR $\underline{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m] \in \mathbb{R}^m$ THAT REPRESENTS THE QUANTITIES OF m PRIMARY ASSETS TRADED ON THE MARKET.

PAYOFF DEFINITION

THE PAYOFF OF AN ASSET IS ITS MONETARY OUTCOME IN EACH POSSIBLE STATE OF THE WORLD. FOR A PRIMARY ASSET j , THE PAYOFF IS REPRESENTED BY A VECTOR $\underline{y}_j = [y_{1j}, y_{2j}, \dots, y_{kj}] \in \mathbb{R}^k$ WHERE y_{sj} IS THE PAYOFF IF STATE S OCCURS.

CONTINGENT CLAIM DEFINITION

WE CALL CONTINGENT CLAIM ANY STATE CONTINGENT PAYOFF $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^k$

REPLICABLE CONTINGENT CLAIM DEFINITION

A CLAIM $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ IS REPLICABLE IN THE MARKET IF \exists A PORTFOLIO SUCH THAT:
$$\underline{w} = \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \underline{y}_j$$

COMPLETE FINANCIAL MARKET DEFINITION

THE MARKET \mathcal{W} IS COMPLETE IF $\mathcal{W} \equiv \mathbb{R}^k$, THAT IS, IF ALL CONTINGENT CLAIMS ARE REPLICABLE.

INCOMPLETE FINANCIAL MARKET DEFINITION

THE MARKET \mathcal{W} IS INCOMPLETE IF $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathbb{R}^k$, THAT IS, IF NOT ALL CONTINGENT CLAIMS ARE REPLICABLE.

ARROW CONTINGENT CLAIM DEFINITION

AN ARROW (OR PURE) CONTINGENT CLAIM $\underline{e}^i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ IS A VECTOR THAT PAYS ONE UNIT IF STATE s_i OCCURS AND 0 IN ALL OTHER STATES.

PAYOFF OPERATOR DEFINITION

THE PAY OFF OPERATOR IS THE FUNCTION ASSOCIATING TO EACH PORTFOLIO \underline{x} THE CLAIM \underline{w} THAT IT INDUCES: $\mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$

$$\underline{x} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(\underline{x}) = \underline{w} = \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \underline{y}_j$$

PAYOFF MATRIX DEFINITION

THE PAYOFF MATRIX $\underline{y}_{k \times m} = (y_{ij}) =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} & \dots & y_{1m} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} & \dots & y_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ y_{k1} & y_{k2} & \dots & y_{km} \end{bmatrix}$$

IS A k BY m MATRIX THAT REPRESENTS THE PAYOFFS OF m PRIMARY ASSETS ACROSS k STATES.

MARKET VALUE DEFINITION

THE MARKET VALUE OF THE PORTFOLIO \underline{x} IS THE FUNCTION ASSOCIATING TO EACH PORTFOLIO ITS PRICE TODAY: $\mathcal{V}: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\underline{x} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}(\underline{x}) = \underline{P} \cdot \underline{x} = \sum_{j=1}^m x_j p_j$$

LAW OF ONE PRICE DEFINITION (1204)

THE FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) SATISFIES THE LAW OF ONE PRICE (LOP) IF, \forall PORTFOLIO $\underline{x}, \underline{x}' \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $R(\underline{x}) = R(\underline{x}') \Rightarrow v(\underline{x}) = v(\underline{x}')$.

PRICE OF A REPLICABLE CONTINGENT CLAIM DEFINITION (1205)

THE PRICE $P_{\underline{w}}$ OF A REPLICABLE CONTINGENT CLAIM $\underline{w} \in W$ IS THE VALUE OF A REPLICATING PORTFOLIO $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m(\underline{w})$, THAT IS, $P_{\underline{w}} = v(\underline{x})$ WHERE $\underline{w} = R(\underline{x})$.

PRICING KERNEL DEFINITION

SUPPOSE THE FINANCIAL MARKET $\{L, P\}$ SATISFIES THE LOP, THEN \exists A UNIQUE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in W$ SUCH THAT: $v(\underline{w}) = \underline{\pi} \cdot \underline{w} \quad \forall \underline{w} \in W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$
 SUCH VECTOR $\underline{\pi}$ IS CALLED THE PRICING KERNEL OF THE CLAIMS.

ARBITRAGE DEFINITIONS

ARBITRAGE OF I KIND:
$$\begin{cases} \underline{y} \cdot \underline{x} = R(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \\ \underline{p} \cdot \underline{x} = v(\underline{x}) < 0 \end{cases}$$

ARBITRAGE OF II KIND:
$$\begin{cases} \underline{y} \cdot \underline{x} = R(\underline{x}) > 0 \\ \underline{p} \cdot \underline{x} = v(\underline{x}) \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

NO ARBITRAGE CONDITIONS DEFINITION

A MARKET SATISFIES THE FIRST NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION IF:

$$I: R(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \implies v(\underline{x}) \geq 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

A MARKET SATISFIES THE SECOND NO-ARBITRAGE CONDITION IF:

$$I: R(\underline{x}) > 0 \implies v(\underline{x}) > 0 \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

CAPITALIZATION AXIOMS

AXIOM 1: DEPENDENCE OF M

THE FINAL VALUE M DEPENDS ON C AND t, THEREFORE WE CAN WRITE: $M = M(c, t)$

AXIOM 2: ADDITIVITY WITH RESPECT TO THE PRINCIPAL

LET C_1, C_2 BE TWO CAPITALS, WE HAVE: $\forall C_1, C_2 \geq 0$,
 $M(C_1 + C_2, t) = M(C_1, t) + M(C_2, t)$

AXIOM 3: INCREASING MONOTONICITY WITH RESPECT TO TIME

LET t_1, t_2 BE TWO LIFETIMES, WE HAVE: $\forall t_1, t_2 \geq 0$
 $t_1 < t_2 \implies M(C, t_1) \leq M(C, t_2)$

AXIOM 4: ENGAGEMENT RULE

INITIALS EXTRA COSTS ARE EXCLUDED, SO IF THE LIFETIME IS $t = 0 \implies M(C, 0) = C$

THEOREMS

CAUCHY THEOREM ₍₁₁₎

LET f BE A CONTINUOUS FUNCTION AT LEAST ONE POINT $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, THEN:

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R} \quad f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y) \iff f(x) = ax, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}$$

EXPONENTIAL CAUCHY EQUATION THEOREM ₍₁₂₎

LET f BE A STRICTLY POSITIVE FUNCTION, CONTINUOUS AT LEAST AT ONE POINT $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, THEN:

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R} \quad f(x+y) = f(x) \cdot f(y) \iff f(x) = e^{mx}, \quad m \in \mathbb{R}$$

AXIOM SATISFYING FUNCTIONS THEOREM ₍₁₄₎

LET $C \geq 0, t \geq 0$ BE, RESPECTIVELY, A CAPITAL AND LIFETIME
ALL FUNCTIONS $M(C, t)$ WHICH SATISFY $A_1 - A_4$ AXIOMS ARE
 $M(C, t) = C f(t)$ WITH THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:

- 1) $f(0) = 1$
- 2) f IS INCREASING

EQUIVALENT RATES IN COMPOUND INTEREST

TWO INTEREST RATES ARE CALLED EQUIVALENT IF IN THE SAME LIFETIME THEY PRODUCE THE SAME FINAL VALUE STARTING FROM THE SAME PRINCIPAL.

- FOR SIMPLE INTEREST: $i \equiv m \cdot i_m$
- FOR COMPOUND INTEREST: $1+i \equiv (1+i_m)^m$

REMARK ON ORDINARY PERPETUITY (48)

IN COMPOUND INTEREST, THE PRESENT VALUE A OF AN ORDINARY PERPETUITY IS DEFINED BY:

$$A = \frac{R}{1+i} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^2} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^3} + \dots + \frac{R}{(1+i)^{m-1}} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^m} + \dots, \text{ THEREFORE}$$

$$A = \sum_{s=1}^{+\infty} R(1+i)^{-s} = R \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{s=1}^m (1+i)^{-s} = R \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{s=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{1+i}\right)^s$$

$$= R \cdot \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1 - (1+i)^{-m}}{i} = \frac{R}{i} = R \cdot \ddot{a}_{\infty|i} \quad \text{N.B.: } (1+i)^{-m} \rightarrow 0 \text{ AS } m \rightarrow +\infty$$

REMARK ON DUE PERPETUITY (51)

IN COMPOUND INTEREST, THE PRESENT VALUE A OF A DUE PERPETUITY IS DEFINED BY:

$$A = R + \frac{R}{1+i} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^2} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^3} + \dots + \frac{R}{(1+i)^{m-1}} + \frac{R}{(1+i)^m} + \dots, \text{ THEREFORE}$$

$$A = \sum_{s=0}^{+\infty} R(1+i)^{-s} = R \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{s=0}^m (1+i)^{-s} = R \cdot \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} \left[1 + \sum_{s=1}^m (1+i)^{-s} \right]$$

$$= R + \frac{R}{i} = R \cdot \frac{1+i}{i} = R \cdot \ddot{a}_{\infty|i}$$

RIESZ - MARKOV THEOREM (673)

A FUNCTION $f: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ IS LINEAR AND INCREASING \Leftrightarrow
 \exists A UNIQUE POSITIVE VECTOR $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$ SUCH THAT:
 $f(\underline{x}) = \underline{x} \cdot \underline{x} \quad \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, AND IN PARTICULAR

- i) $\underline{x} > \underline{0} \Leftrightarrow f$ IS STRONGLY INCREASING
- ii) $\underline{x} \gg \underline{0} \Leftrightarrow f$ IS STRICTLY INCREASING

REPRESENTATION RESULT FOR THE PRICING RULE THEOREM (1208)

SUPPOSE THE FINANCIAL MARKET (L, P) SATISFIES THE LOP.
 THEN \exists A UNIQUE VECTOR $\underline{\pi} \in W$ SUCH THAT:

$$f(w) = \underline{\pi} \cdot w \quad \forall w \in W$$

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