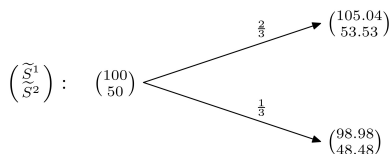


**Exercise 3.1** Consider a financial market  $(\tilde{S}^0, \tilde{S}^1, \tilde{S}^2)$  consisting of a bank account and two stocks. The stock price movements of  $\tilde{S}^1$  and  $\tilde{S}^2$  are described by the following tree, where the numbers beside the branches denote transition probabilities.



~~where~~ the risk-free rate is given by  $r = 0.01$ .

- (b) Show that the financial sub-markets  $(\tilde{S}^0, \tilde{S}^1)$  and  $(\tilde{S}^0, \tilde{S}^2)$  are free of arbitrage by constructing the equivalent martingale measures  $Q^1$  for  $S^1$  and  $Q^2$  for  $S^2$ .  
Hint: Write down the tree for the discounted stock prices  $S^1$  and  $S^2$ .
- (c) Show that the market  $(\tilde{S}^0, \tilde{S}^1, \tilde{S}^2)$  is not free of arbitrage by explicitly constructing an arbitrage opportunity.  
Hint: Calculate the expectation of  $S^2$  under the equivalent martingale measure  $Q^1$  for  $S^1$ .
- (d) By which number do you have to replace 105.04 in the stock price movement of  $\tilde{S}^1$  so that the market  $(\tilde{S}^0, \tilde{S}^1, \tilde{S}^2)$  is free of arbitrage?

b) Proof:  $S_i = \frac{\tilde{S}_i}{S_0}$  we take  $Q^i$  with probs.  $q_i^u$  that "up" and  $q_i^d$  that "down" we have  $q_i^u + q_i^d = 1$  and since  $Q^i \sim P$  we also have  $q_i^u > 0$   
 $\rightarrow S^i$  has to be martingale under  $Q^i \Leftrightarrow S_0^i = E_{Q^i}(S_1^i | \mathcal{F}_0) = E_{Q^i}(S_1^i) = S_1^i(w_1) \cdot q_i^u + S_1^i(w_2) \cdot q_i^d$   
 $\rightarrow$  inserting  $q_i^d = 1 - q_i^u \Rightarrow S_1^i(w_1) \cdot q_i^u + S_1^i(w_2) - S_1^i(w_2) \cdot q_i^u = S_0^i \Leftrightarrow q_i^u = \frac{S_0^i - S_1^i(w_2)}{S_1^i(w_1) - S_1^i(w_2)} \rightarrow q_i^d = 1 - q_i^u = \frac{S_1^i(w_1) - S_0^i}{S_1^i(w_1) - S_1^i(w_2)}$   
 $\rightarrow$  computing the values we get:  $S_1^1 = \begin{cases} 104 \\ 98 \end{cases}, S_1^2 = \begin{cases} 53 \\ 48 \end{cases}, S_0^i = 1 \rightarrow q_1^u = \frac{100 - 98}{104 - 98} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}, q_1^d = \frac{2}{3}, q_2^u = \frac{50 - 48}{53 - 48} = \frac{2}{5}, q_2^d = \frac{3}{5}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  for both sub-markets exist EMM  $\Rightarrow$  both sub-markets are arbitrage free

c) Proof:  $g_0^1 = -50, g_1^1 = 1, g_1^2 = -1 \Rightarrow \tilde{V}_0 = -50 + 100 - 50 = 0$   
 $\rightarrow \tilde{V}_1(w_2) = -50 \cdot (1.01) + 98.98 - 48.48 = 0 \rightarrow \tilde{V}_1(w_1) = -50 \cdot (1.01) + 105.04 - 53.53 = 1.01$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the portfolio  $\varphi$  is an arbitrage portfolio

2<sup>nd</sup> possibility:  
 $\rightarrow E_{Q^1}(S_1^2) = 53 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 48 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{53 + 96}{3} = \frac{149}{3} < 50 \Rightarrow$  we should sell  $S^2$   
 $\rightarrow$  same portfolio as above yields:  $V_1(w_1) = -50 + 104 - 53 = 1, V_1(w_2) = -50 + 98 - 48 = 0 \Rightarrow$  arbitrage

d) sol: we see that  $E_{Q^2}(S_1^1) = \hat{S}_1^1(w_1) \cdot \frac{2}{5} + 98 \cdot \frac{3}{5} \stackrel{!}{=} 100$  (condition that  $S_1^1$  is also martingale under  $Q^2$  and therefore  $Q^2$  is a EMM for the whole market  $\Rightarrow$  (NA)) yields  $\hat{S}_1^1(w_1) = \frac{5}{2} (100 - 98 \cdot \frac{3}{5}) = 250 - 147 = 103$   
 $\Rightarrow \hat{S}_1^1(w_1) = \hat{S}_1^1(w_1) \cdot (1+r) = 104.03$

**Exercise 3.2 Binomial market**

- (a) Let  $(\tilde{S}_0, \tilde{S}_1)$  be a one step binomial model. At time 0 the price of the stock is  $\tilde{S}_0$ . At time 1, there is two possibilities, the stock price goes up and  $\tilde{S}_1 = S_0 u$ , or goes down and  $\tilde{S}_1 = S_0 d$ . The discounted price  $S_1 = e^{-r} \tilde{S}_1$  and  $S_0 = \tilde{S}_0$ . Let have a payoff function  $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ . Construct a self-financing strategy  $\varphi = (V_0, \vartheta)$  such that  $V_1(\varphi) = e^{-r} f(\tilde{S}_1)$  P-a.s.
- (b) This binomial model can be extended to an arbitrary number of periods  $n$ , the multi-step binomial model by setting  $\tilde{S}_0^n = e^{rn}$ . At each time, there is two possibilities, the stock price goes up and  $\tilde{S}_{k+1} = \tilde{S}_k u$ , or goes down and  $\tilde{S}_{k+1} = \tilde{S}_k d$ . Let  $f$  be a payoff of the form  $f(\tilde{S}_k)$ . The arbitrage free price of such a payoff at time  $k$  can then be written as  $\tilde{V}_k^f = v(k, \tilde{S}_k^f)$ . show that the function  $v(k, \tilde{S}_k^f)$  fulfills the following backward recursion formula:

$$v(k, x) = e^{-r} (q v(k+1, xu) + (1-q) v(k+1, xd)), \quad (1)$$

where

$$q := \frac{e^r - d}{u - d}$$

and

$$v(n, x) = f(x).$$

- (c) Write a pseudo-code of a multi-steps binomial tree that computes the arbitrage free price of an derivative with payoff  $f$ .

a) sol:  $V_1(\varphi) = V_0 + \vartheta_1 (S_1 - S_0) = V_0 + \vartheta_1 \left( \frac{e^{-r} S_0 u - S_0}{e^{-r} S_0 d - S_0} \right)$   
 $\rightarrow e^{-r} f(\tilde{S}_1) = e^{-r} \left\{ \frac{f(S_0 u)}{f(S_0 d)} \right\}$   
 $\rightarrow V_1(\varphi) \stackrel{!}{=} e^{-r} f(\tilde{S}_1) \Leftrightarrow e^{-r} \left\{ \frac{f(S_0 u)}{f(S_0 d)} \right\} = V_0 + \vartheta_1 \cdot S_0 \left\{ \frac{e^{-r} u - 1}{e^{-r} d - 1} \right\}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow V_0 = e^{-r} \left\{ \frac{f(S_0 u)}{f(S_0 d)} \right\} - \vartheta_1 \cdot S_0 \left\{ \frac{e^{-r} u - 1}{e^{-r} d - 1} \right\}$   
 $\rightarrow e^{-r} f(S_0 u) - \vartheta_1 S_0 (e^{-r} u - 1) = V_0 = e^{-r} f(S_0 d) - \vartheta_1 S_0 (e^{-r} d - 1)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \vartheta_1 = \frac{e^{-r} (f(S_0 d) - f(S_0 u))}{S_0 (e^{-r} d - e^{-r} u)} = \frac{f(S_0 u) - f(S_0 d)}{S_0 (u - d)}$   
 $\rightarrow V_0 = e^{-r} f(S_0 u) - \frac{f(S_0 u) - f(S_0 d)}{S_0 (u - d)} \cdot S_0 (e^{-r} u - 1) = \frac{e^{-r} (u - d) f(S_0 u) - (f(S_0 u) - f(S_0 d)) (e^{-r} u - 1)}{u - d}$

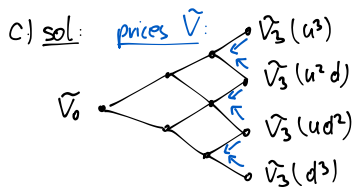
$$= \frac{f(S_0 d) (e^{-r} u - 1) + f(S_0 u) \cdot (1 - e^{-r} d)}{u - d}$$

$\rightarrow \varphi$  is self-financing if  $V_0 = \vartheta_1^0 \cdot 1 + \vartheta_1^1 \cdot S_0 \Leftrightarrow \vartheta_1^0 = V_0 - \vartheta_1^1 \cdot S_0$

b) Proof:  $\tilde{V}_k^f = v(k, \tilde{S}_k^f), \tilde{S}_{k+1} = \begin{cases} \tilde{S}_k u \\ \tilde{S}_k d \end{cases} \rightarrow V_{k+1} = V_k + \vartheta \cdot (S_{k+1} - S_k) \Leftrightarrow e^{-r(k+1)} \tilde{V}_{k+1} = e^{-rk} \tilde{V}_k + \vartheta (e^{-r(k+1)} \tilde{S}_{k+1} - e^{-rk} \tilde{S}_k)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow e^{-r} \tilde{V}_{k+1} = \tilde{V}_k + \vartheta \cdot (e^{-r} \tilde{S}_{k+1} - \tilde{S}_k) = v(k, \tilde{S}_k) + \vartheta \cdot \left\{ \frac{e^{-r} \tilde{S}_k u - \tilde{S}_k}{e^{-r} \tilde{S}_k d - \tilde{S}_k} \right\} = v(k, \tilde{S}_k) + \vartheta \cdot \tilde{S}_k \left\{ \frac{e^{-r} u - 1}{e^{-r} d - 1} \right\} \quad (1)$   
 $\rightarrow e^{-r} \tilde{V}_{k+1} = e^{-r} v(k+1, \tilde{S}_{k+1}) = e^{-r} \left\{ \frac{v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k u)}{v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k d)} \right\} \quad (2)$

combining (1) & (2) we get:  $e^{-r} \begin{Bmatrix} v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k u) \\ v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k d) \end{Bmatrix} = v(k, \tilde{S}_k) + \beta \cdot \tilde{S}_k \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} e^{r} u - 1 \\ e^{r} d - 1 \end{Bmatrix}$

this is exactly the same equation-system as in a)  $\Rightarrow v(k, \tilde{S}_k) = \frac{v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k u) (1 - e^{r} d) + v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k d) \cdot (e^{r} u - 1)}{u - d} = e^{-r} [v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k u) \cdot q + v(k+1, \tilde{S}_k d) (1-q)]$ , for  $q = \frac{e^r - d}{u - d}$ ,  $\Rightarrow v(n, \tilde{S}_n) = \tilde{V}_n = f(\tilde{S}_n)$



for  $k=n$ :  $\tilde{V}_n(\cdot)$  is known, since we know  $f(\tilde{S}_n)$ , i.e.:  $\tilde{V}_n(u^j d^{n-j}) = f(\tilde{S}_n(u^j d^{n-j}))$   
 $u^j d^{k-j}$  corresponds to those  $\omega \in \Omega$  (in general more than only 1) for which the path goes up  $j$  times and down  $(k-j)$  times (up to time  $k$ )

Alg: input: vector  $F$  having stored the values of  $f(\tilde{S}_n)$  s.t.  $F_0 = f(\tilde{S}_n(u^n d^0)), \dots, F_j = f(\tilde{S}_n(u^{n-j} d^j)), \dots, F_n = f(\tilde{S}_n(u^0 d^n))$   
 note  $r, u, d$

- 1:  $V = \text{zeros}(1, n+1)$ ,  $q = \frac{e^r - d}{u - d}$
- 2:  $V = F$
- 3: for  $i=1$  to  $n$
- 4:     for  $j=0$  to  $(n-i)$
- 5:          $V_j = e^{-r} [V_j \cdot q + V_{j+1} \cdot (1-q)]$
- 6:     end
- 7: end
- 8: return  $V_0$

**Exercise 3.3 Call non-decreasing with respect to maturity**  
 Consider a general multi-period market and denote by  $C(t, K)$  the payoff  $(S_t^1 - K)^+$  at time  $t$ . Call  $t$  the maturity of the option. Assume that these options are traded, that  $r \geq 0$ , and that the market is free of arbitrage.  
 Fix  $K$  and show that the price of such call options is non-decreasing as a function of maturity.

Proof:  $\Rightarrow$  since the market is arbitrage free, i.e. (NA) holds, we know by FTAP (Thm 5.16) that an EM  $\mathbb{Q}$  exists.

$\Rightarrow$  if  $(S_t^1 - K)^+$  is attainable then we know by Thm 5.33 that it has a unique price, which is  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_t^1 - K)^+)$  (see Thm 5.30) otherwise, if it is not attainable, the price is not unique, but given by  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_t^1 - K)^+)$ ,  $\forall \mathbb{Q} \in \text{EM}$

$\Rightarrow$  in either way we want to show that  $\forall s \leq t \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\forall \mathbb{Q} \in \text{EM}$ :  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_s^1 - K)^+) \leq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_t^1 - K)^+)$

Claim 1:  $((S_n - K)^+)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a submartingale under  $\mathbb{Q}$  Proof 1:  $(S_n)_n$  is martingale  $\Rightarrow (S_n - K)_n$  is marting.  $\Rightarrow g: x \mapsto x^+ = \max\{x, 0\}$  is a convex function  $\Rightarrow (g(S_n - K))_n = ((S_n - K)^+)_n$  is a submartingale (see Prop Th., Prop 3.13)  $\square$  (Claim 1)

$\Rightarrow$  therefore we have:  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_t^1 - K)^+) \stackrel{t \geq s}{=} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_t^1 - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_s)}_{\geq (S_s^1 - K)^+, \text{ by submartingale property}}) \geq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((S_s^1 - K)^+) \quad \forall t \geq s \in \mathbb{N}$