

1. **The discrete case**

Consider a market model  $\bar{S} = (S^0, S^1, \dots, S^d)$  in one period with  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n\}$ , and a strictly positive reference measure  $\mathbb{P}$ . Let  $\bar{X} := \bar{S}/S^0$ . Suppose that the market is free of arbitrage, i.e., for

$$\mathcal{K} := \{\xi \cdot (X_1 - X_0) : \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$$

we have  $\mathcal{K} \cap L_+^0 = \{0\}$ .

- (a) Show that  $\mathcal{K}$  can be identified as a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . (2)
- (b) Let  $C := \{x \in L_+^0 : \mathbb{E}[x] = 1\}$ . Show that  $C$  is nonempty, convex and compact. (2)
- (c) Conclude that there exists  $y \in \mathcal{K}^\perp$  such that  $y \cdot x > 0$  for every  $x \in C$ . Further, show that  $y(\omega_k) > 0$  for every  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . (2)
- (d) Show that there exists an equivalent martingale measure for the market. (2)

Points for Question 1: 8

2. **Absolutely continuous measures**

For a financial market with reference measure  $\mathbb{P}$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{M}_e(\mathbb{P})$  and  $\mathcal{M}_a(\mathbb{P})$  the set of equivalent martingale measures and absolutely continuous martingale measures, respectively.

- (a) Construct a market with  $\mathcal{M}_a(\mathbb{P}) \neq \emptyset$  that contains an arbitrage. (2)
- (b) Assume  $\mathcal{M}_e(\mathbb{P}) \neq \emptyset$ , and let  $H \in L^\infty(\mathbb{P})$  be a bounded claim. Show that (2)

$$\sup\{\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[H] : \mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_a(\mathbb{P})\} = \sup\{\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}[H] : \mathbb{Q} \in \mathcal{M}_e(\mathbb{P})\}.$$

Points for Question 2: 4

You can achieve a total of **12** points for this sheet.