

# Model-free Arbitrage and Superhedging in Discrete Time

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# Three approaches

We have two extreme cases.

- 1 We are completely sure about the reference probability measure  $P$ .
- 2 We face complete uncertainty about any probabilistic model and therefore we describe our model independently by any probability:

## **Model-free approach**

- Hobson 1998, Brown Hobson Rogers 2001, Davis Hobson 2007, Cox Obloj 2011, Riedel 2011, Acciaio, Beiglböck, Penkner, Schachermayer 2013.

Between cases 1. and 2., there is the possibility to accept that the model could be described in a probabilistic setting, but we cannot assume the knowledge of a specific reference probability measure but at most of a set of priors, which leads to the theory of

- 3 Quasi-sure Stochastic Analysis: Peng, Touzi, Zhang, Dolinski, Soner, Kardaras, Bouchard, Nutz, Biagini S., Denis, Martini, Bion-Nadal, Cohen...

# Model-free Superhedging Duality

## Theorem

Let  $\Omega$  be Polish,  $t \in \{0, 1, \dots, T < \infty\}$ ,  $g : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -measurable:

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \exists H \in \mathcal{H} \text{ such that } x + (H \cdot S)_T \geq g \text{ } \mathcal{M}\text{-q.s.}\} \\ &= \inf \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \exists H \in \mathcal{H} \text{ such that } x + (H \cdot S)_T(\omega) \geq g(\omega) \forall \omega \in \Omega_*\} \\ &= \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}_f} E_Q[g] = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}} E_Q[g], \end{aligned}$$

- $(H \cdot S)_t := \sum_{u=1}^t H_u(S_u - S_{u-1}) = \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{u=1}^t H_u^j(S_u^j - S_{u-1}^j)$ ;
- $\mathcal{F}_t := \bigcap_{P \in \mathcal{P}} (\mathcal{F}_t^S \vee \mathcal{N}_t^P)$ , with:  $\mathcal{N}_t^P := \{N \subseteq A \in \mathcal{F}_t^S \mid P(A) = 0\}$ ;
- $\mathcal{H} := \{\text{all } \mathbb{F}\text{-predictable proc.}\}$ ,  $\mathbb{F} := \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_t$  Universal Filtration;
- $\mathcal{P} := \{\text{all probabilities on } (\Omega, \mathcal{B}(\Omega))\}$ ;

$$\mathcal{M} := \{Q \in \mathcal{P} \mid S \text{ is an } \mathbb{F}^S\text{-martingale under } Q\};$$

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- $\Omega_* := \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \exists Q \in \mathcal{M} \text{ s.t. } Q(\omega) > 0\}$ .

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- In an example, we show that the initial cost of the cheapest portfolio that dominates a contingent claim  $g$  on *every possible path*

$$\inf \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \exists H \in \mathcal{H} \text{ such that } x + (H \cdot S)_T(\omega) \geq g(\omega) \forall \omega \in \Omega\}$$

can be strictly greater than  $\sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}} E_Q[g]$ , unless some artificial assumptions are imposed on  $g$  or on the market.

To avoid such restrictions it is crucial to select the correct set of paths (i.e. the set  $\Omega_*$  of those  $\omega \in \Omega$  which are weighted by at least one martingale measure  $Q \in \mathcal{M}$  or  $Q \in \mathcal{M}_f$ ).

## Remarks: about $\Omega_*$

- The family of  $\mathcal{M}$ -polar sets is:

$$\mathcal{N} := \{N \subseteq A \in \mathcal{F} \mid Q(A) = 0 \forall Q \in \mathcal{M}\}$$

- Recall that a property is said to hold *quasi surely* (q.s.) if it holds outside a polar set.
- We show the existence of the **maximal**  $\mathcal{M}$ -polar set  $N_*$ , namely a set  $N_* \in \mathcal{N}$  containing any other set  $N \in \mathcal{N}$ . Moreover

$$\Omega_* = (N_*)^c.$$

- The inequality

$$x + (H \cdot S)_T \geq g \quad \mathcal{M}\text{-q.s.}$$

is therefore equivalent to the inequality

$$x + (H \cdot S)_T(\omega) \geq g(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega_*,$$

which justifies the first equality in the Theorem.

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- No restriction on  $S$ , so that it may describe stocks and/or options. However, in the above Theorem the class  $\mathcal{H}$  of admissible trading strategies requires dynamic trading in all assets.
- In the theorem below we easily extend this setup to the case of semi-static trading on a finite number of options.

## Theorem

Let  $g : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be the  $\mathcal{F}_T$  measurable claim and  $\phi^j : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, k$ , be  $\mathcal{F}_T$  measurable random variables representing the payoff of  $k$  given options traded at zero price. Then

$$\pi_{\Phi}(g) = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}_{\Phi}} E_Q[g].$$

where

$$\Omega_{\Phi} := \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \exists Q \in \mathcal{M}_{\Phi} \text{ s.t. } Q(\omega) > 0\} \subseteq \Omega_*$$

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- **On classical Superhedging** (a probability  $P$  is fixed): El Karoui and Quenez (95); Karatzas (97); ....
- **Model free set up and robust hedging**: Hobson (98), Brown Hobson Rogers (01), Davis Hobson (07), Hobson (09), Hobson (11), Cox Obloj (11), Riedel (11), ...
- **Optimal mass transport**: Beiglböck, Dolinsky, Galichon, Henry-Labordère, Hobson, Hou, Nutz, Obloj, Penker, Rogers, Soner, Spoida, Tan, Touzi...
- **Superhedging with respect to a non dominated class of probability measures  $\mathcal{P}' \subseteq \mathcal{P}$** : Bouchard Nutz (13), Biagini S. Bouchard Kardaras Nutz (14)
- **Superhedging via model-free Arbitrage**: Acciaio Beiglböck Penker Schachermayer (13).

**Superhedging Duality Theorem w.r.to a family  $\mathcal{P}' \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ .** If  $g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is upper semianalytic (Borel measurable) then

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where  $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{P}') := \{Q \in \mathcal{M} \mid \exists P \in \mathcal{P}' \text{ s.t. } Q \ll P\}$ .

The theorem is obtained under two technical hypothesis:

- $\Omega = \Omega_1^T$ , where  $\Omega_1$  is Polish and  $\Omega_1^t$  is the  $t$ -fold product space;
- The set of priors  $\mathcal{P}'$  have the form  $P := P_0 \otimes \dots \otimes P_T$  where every  $P_t$  is a measurable selector of a certain random class  $\mathcal{P}'_t \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\Omega_1)$ .  $\mathcal{P}'_t(\omega)$  is the set of possible models, given state  $\omega$  at time  $t$  and the  $\text{graph}(\mathcal{P}'_t)$  **must be an analytic subset of  $\Omega_1^t \times \mathcal{P}(\Omega_1)$ .**

In our setting we do not impose restrictions on the state space  $\Omega$  and even in the case of  $\Omega = \Omega_1^T$ , the class of martingale probability measures  $\mathcal{M}$  is **endogenously determined by the market** and we do not require that it satisfies any additional restrictions.

Same discrete time market as ours, but  $S$  is a one dimensional canonical process on the path space  $\Omega = [0, \infty)^T$ .

## Theorem

Assume No Model Independent Arbitrage. Let  $\phi^j = f^j(S_T)$ , with  $f^j : \mathbb{R}_+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots$  be the payoff of options traded at zero price and let  $f^0$  be convex and **super linear**. If  $g = f(S_T)$  with  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  **upper semicontinuous** then:

$$\hat{\pi}(g) = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}_\Phi} E_Q[g] \quad \mathcal{M}_\Phi := \{Q \in \mathcal{M} \mid E_Q(\phi^j) = 0 \forall j\}$$

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- Superhedging on  $\Omega$ , but restrictions on  $g$  and on the market.
- **Example** where this duality doesn't hold if  $f$  is **not usc**, a property with no financial meaning.

To prove our theorem we need the following aggregation results:

## Proposition

Let  $g : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be  $\mathcal{F}_T$  measurable and define

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Then

$$\pi(g) = \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{M}_f} \pi_Q(g)$$

In particular, if  $\pi(g) < +\infty$  the inf is a min.

## Corollary (Super replication)

If for every  $Q \in \mathcal{M}_f$  there exists  $H^Q \in \mathcal{H}$  such that

$$x + (H^Q \cdot S)_T \geq g \quad Q\text{-a.s.},$$

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The results presented so far can be found in:

-  Burzoni M., Frittelli M., Maggis M., Model-free Superhedging Duality, 2015.

and are based on the theory about Model-free arbitrage in discrete time developed in:

-  Burzoni M., Frittelli M., Maggis M., Universal Arbitrage Aggregator in Discrete Time Markets under Uncertainty, *Fin. Stoch.*, forthcoming.

which we now illustrate.

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- These results are obtained by adopting a technical filtration enlargement and by constructing a universal arbitrage aggregator of all arbitrage opportunities.
- We introduce the notion of **market feasibility** and characterize it. 

# Our setting

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- When a “reference Probability”  $P$  is given, then a true gain is:  
 $P(V_T(H) > 0) > 0$
- When a subset  $\mathcal{P}'$  of probability measures is given, one replace the  $P$ -a.s. conditions with  $\mathcal{P}'$ -q.s conditions, as in [BN13].

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Obviously,

No 1p A  $\Rightarrow$  No A de la Classe  $\mathcal{S} \Rightarrow$  No Model Ind. A

and A de la Classe  $\mathcal{S}$  are not necessarily related to a probabilistic model.

In order to show in which context the **FTAP** holds true we need to build up a filtration enlargement  $\tilde{\mathbb{F}} := (\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t)_{t \in I}$  which follows directly from the market structure and

- It preserves the sets of martingale measures  $\mathcal{M}(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}) \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{F})$ 
  - The restriction of any  $\tilde{Q} \in \mathcal{M}(\tilde{\mathbb{F}})$  to  $\mathcal{F}_T$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbb{F})$ .
  - Any  $Q \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{F})$  can be uniquely extended to an element of  $\mathcal{M}(\tilde{\mathbb{F}})$ .
- It ensure the existence of an  $\tilde{\mathbb{F}}$ -predictable multifunction  $\mathbb{H}_t$  which is an aggregator for all  $P$ -a.s. arbitrage opportunities.
- We provide many examples where there is no equivalence between “No Arbitrage” and existence of martingale measures with reasonable properties, without the enlargement of the filtration.
- $\tilde{\mathbb{F}}$  is built from  $\mathbb{F}$  by “adding” one step ahead  $\mathcal{M}$ -polar sets.

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Strategy B:  $-C_1 \quad V_T(H) = p_1 > 0 \quad \text{if } S_T \leq K_1$

which happens with probability one.

## Theorem (Model Free FTAP)

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In particular for  $\mathcal{S} = \{\text{open non-empty sets}\}$  we obtain:

## Corollary (FTAP for Open Arbitrage)

Let  $(\Omega, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_T, (\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t)_{t \in I})$  as before.

*No Open Arbitrage in  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \iff$  there are no open  $\mathcal{M}$ -polar sets  
 $\iff \mathcal{M}_+ \neq \emptyset$*

where  $\mathcal{M}_+$  is the class of martingale measure with full support.

# On full support martingale measures

- Riedel 2011, pointed out the relevance of the concept of full support martingale measures in the model-free setting:
- He proved, in **one-period model** and under the assumption that the **price process is continuous** with respect to the state variable  $\omega$ , that:

$$\text{No 1p arbitrage} \iff \mathcal{M}_+ \neq \emptyset$$

- In such setting, from the continuity of  $S$  one also deduces that

$$\text{No open arbitrage in } \mathcal{H} \iff \text{No 1p arbitrage} \iff \mathcal{M}_+ \neq \emptyset$$

- However, both equivalences are no longer true in the multi-period setting (even with  $S$  continuous in  $\omega$ ).
- To recover the equivalence between No open arbitrage and  $\mathcal{M}_+ \neq \emptyset$  one needs the filtration enlargement.

# Model Independent Arbitrage

For  $\mathcal{S} = \{\Omega\}$  we obtain:

## Corollary (Model Independent FTAP)

Let  $(\Omega, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_T, (\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t)_{t \in I})$  as before:

*No Model Independent Arbitrage in  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \iff \mathcal{M} \neq \emptyset$*



# Technical aspects

For any trajectory  $z \in \text{Mat}(d, T + 1)$ , study the level set of the price process  $S$  i.e.

$$\Sigma_{t-1}^z := \{\omega \in \Omega \mid S_{0:t-1}(\omega) = z_{0:t-1}\} \in \mathcal{F}_{t-1}^S$$

If  $0 \notin \text{ri}(\text{co}(\text{conv}(\Delta S_t(\Sigma_{t-1}^z))) \cup \{0\})$  we may decompose the level set as  $\Sigma_{t-1}^z = B^* \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{\beta} B^i$ .

The difference between the sets  $B^i$  and  $B^*$ :

- Restricted to the time interval  $[t - 1, t]$ , a probability measure whose mass is concentrated on  $B^*$  admits an equivalent martingale measure
- For those probabilities that assign positive mass to at least one  $B^i$  an arbitrage opportunity can be constructed.
  - $H^i \cdot \Delta S_t(\omega) > 0 \quad \forall \omega \in B^i$
  - $H^i \cdot \Delta S_t(\omega) \geq 0 \quad \forall \omega \in \bigcup_{j=i}^{\beta} B^j$

Remark:  $\beta$  is finite and  $\beta \leq d$

# Two technical results on $\Omega^*$ and polar sets

1

$$\Omega_* = \bigcap_{t=1}^T \left( \bigcup_{z \in \mathbf{Z}} B_{t,z}^* \right).$$

and

$$\mathcal{M} \neq \emptyset \iff \Omega_* \neq \emptyset \iff \mathcal{M} \cap \mathcal{P}_f \neq \emptyset,$$

2 Fix  $t \in I$  and  $Q \in \mathcal{M}$ . The set

$$\mathfrak{B}_t := \bigcup_{z \in \mathbf{Z}} \left\{ \bigcup_{i=1}^{\beta_{t,z}} B_{t,z}^i \right\}$$

is a subset of a  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable  $Q$  null set.

# Example of separation of atoms

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) = (\mathbb{R}^+, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^+))$ . Consider the market  $S_0 = [1, 1, 1]$  and  $S_t = [S_t^1, S_t^2, S_t^3]$  with

$$S_1^1(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \mathbb{Q} \\ 1 & \omega \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (1/2, +\infty) \\ 2 & \omega \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1/2) \end{cases} \quad S_1^2(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \omega \in \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \mathbb{Q} \\ \omega^2 & \omega \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (1/2, +\infty) \\ \omega^2 & \omega \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1/2) \end{cases}$$

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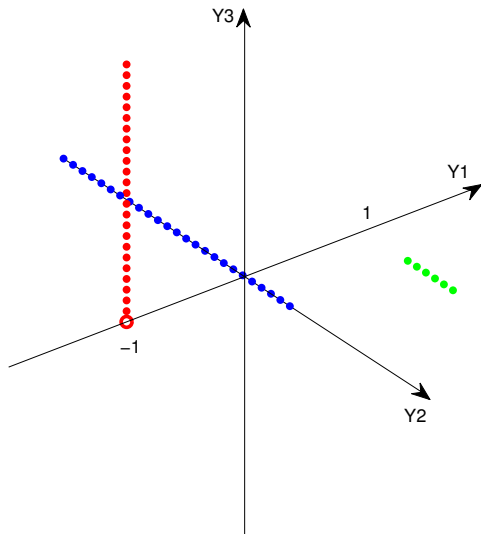
Set  $Y_i := S_1^i - S_0^i$

In this example:

$$B^1 = \mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \mathbb{Q}$$

$$B^2 = \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1/2)$$

$$B^* = \mathbb{Q} \cap (1/2, +\infty)$$



# Universal Arbitrage Aggregation

Let  $B^*, B^i, i = 1, \dots, \beta$  the disintegration of the level set  $\Sigma_{t-1}^z$ .

$$\mathbb{H}_t(\omega) := \left\{ H \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid H \cdot \Delta S_t(\hat{\omega}) \geq 0 \text{ for any } \hat{\omega} \in \bigcup_{j=i(\omega)}^{\beta} B^j \right\}$$

## Theorem

*If  $P$  is not absolutely continuous w.r.to some  $Q \in \mathcal{M}$  then there exists an  $\mathbb{F}^P$ -predictable trading strategy  $H^P$  which is a  $P$ -Classical Arbitrage and*

$$H^P(\omega) \in \mathbb{H}(\omega) \quad P\text{-a.s.}$$

*where  $\mathcal{F}_t^P$  denote the  $P$ -completion of  $\mathcal{F}_t$  and  $\mathbb{F}^P := \{\mathcal{F}_t^P\}_{t \in I}$ .*

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- No a priori fixed class of probability measures
- If  $(H, \mathcal{U})$  satisfy (1) and we disregard any finite subset of probabilities then  $H$  still satisfy (1).
- If  $(H, \mathcal{U})$  satisfy (1),  $\mathcal{U}$  will contain a full support probability  $P$  under which  $H$  is a  $P$ -Arbitrage.
- If the  $\sigma(\mathcal{P}, C_b)$  topology is replaced by the one induced by  $\|\cdot\|$  we obtain the equivalence for 1p-Arbitrage.

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We introduce the following:

## Definition

The market is **feasible** if

$$\overline{\mathcal{P}_0}^{\sigma(\mathcal{P}, C_b)} = \mathcal{P}.$$

We can relate the notion of feasibility and No arbitrage as follows:

## Theorem

Let  $(\Omega, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_T, (\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t)_{t \in I})$  be the enlarged filtered space. TFAE:

- 1  $\mathcal{M}_+ \neq \emptyset$ ;
- 2 No Open Arbitrage holds w.r.to the strategies in  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ .
- 3 The market is feasible:  $\overline{\mathcal{P}}_0^{\sigma(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{C}_b)} = \mathcal{P}$

Thank you for the attention!