LECTURE 3: ONE-PERIOD MODEL PRICING
Overview: Pricing

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7. Four pricing formulas: state prices, SDF, EMM, beta pricing \[L2,3,5,6]\n8. Recovering state prices from options \[DD10.6\]
Vector Notation

- Notation: $y, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
  - $y \geq x \iff y^i \geq x^i$ for each $i = 1, \ldots, n$
  - $y > x \iff y \geq x, y \neq x$
  - $y \gg x \iff y^i > x^i$ for each $i = 1, \ldots, n$

- Inner product
  - $y \cdot x = \sum yx$

- Matrix multiplication
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- Law of one price is equivalent to every portfolio with zero payoff has zero price.
- No arbitrage $\Rightarrow$ no strong arbitrage
  No strong arbitrage $\Rightarrow$ law of one price
specify
Preferences &
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• evolution of states
• risk preferences
• aggregation

NAC/LOOP

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Alternative ways to buy a stock

- Four different payment and receipt timing combinations:
  - Outright purchase: ordinary transaction
  - Fully leveraged purchase: investor borrows the full amount
  - Prepaid forward contract: pay today, receive the share later
  - Forward contract: agree on price now, pay/receive later

- Payments, receipts, and their timing:

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Pricing prepaid forwards

• If we can price the *prepaid* forward \((F^P)\), then we can calculate the price for a forward contract:
  
  \[ F = \text{Future value of } F^P \]

• Pricing by analogy
  
  – In the absence of dividends, the timing of delivery is irrelevant
  – Price of the prepaid forward contract same as current stock price
  – \(F^P_{0,T} = S_0\) (where the asset is bought at \(t = 0\), delivered at \(t = T\))
Pricing prepaid forwards (cont.)

• Pricing by arbitrage
  – If at time $t = 0$, the prepaid forward price somehow exceeded the stock price, i.e., $F_{0,T}^P > S_0$, an arbitrageur could do the following:

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<td>Buy Stock @ $S_0$</td>
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<td>Sell Prepaid Forward @ $F_{0,T}^P$</td>
<td>Time $T$: $+S_T$</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$F_{0,T}^P - S_0$</td>
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Cash flows and transactions to undertake arbitrage when the prepaid forward price, $F_{0,T}^P$, exceeds the stock price, $S_0$. 
Pricing prepaid forwards (cont.)

• What if there are deterministic* dividends? Is $F_{0,T}^P = S_0$ still valid?
  
  – No, because the holder of the forward will not receive dividends that will be paid to the holder of the stock $\Rightarrow F_{0,T}^P < S_0$
    
    $$F_{0,T}^P = S_0 - \text{PV(\text{all dividends paid from } t = 0 \text{ to } t = T)}$$
  
  – For discrete dividends $D_{t_i}$ at times $t_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$
    
    • The prepaid forward price: $F_{0,T}^P = S_0 - \sum_{i=1}^{n} PV_{0,i}(D_{t_i})$
      (reinvest the dividend at risk-free rate)
  
  – For continuous dividends with an annualized yield $\delta$
    
    • The prepaid forward price: $F_{0,T}^P = S_0 e^{-\delta T}$
      (reinvest the dividend in this index. One has to invest only $S_0 e^{-\delta T}$ initially)
  
  – Forward price is the future value of the prepaid forward: $F_{0,T} = \text{FV}(F_{0,T}^P) = F_{0,T}^P \times e^{rT}$

NB: If dividends are stochastic, we cannot apply the one period model
Creating a synthetic forward

- One can offset the risk of a forward by creating a synthetic forward to offset a position in the actual forward contract.
- How can one do this? (assume continuous dividends at rate $\delta$)
  - Recall the long forward payoff at expiration $S_T - F_{0,T}$
  - Borrow and purchase shares as follows:

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- Note that the total payoff at expiration is same as forward payoff
- This leads to: Forward = Stock – zero-coupon bond
Other issues in forward pricing

• Does the forward price predict the future price?
  – According the formula $F_{0,T} = S_0 e^{(r-\delta)T}$ the forward price conveys no additional information beyond what $S_0, r, \delta$ provide
  – Moreover, if $r < \delta$ the forward price underestimates the future stock price

• Forward pricing formula and cost of carry
  – Forward price =
    \[ \text{Spot price + Interest to carry the asset – asset lease rate} \]
    \[ \text{Cost of carry } (r - \delta)S \]
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Put-Call Parity

• For European options with the same strike price and time to expiration the parity relationship is:

\[ C(K, T) - P(K, T) = PV_0(T)(F_{0,T} - K) = e^{-rT}(F_{0,T} - K) \]

Ice \((F_{0,T} = K)\) creates a synthetic forward contract and hence must

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Parity for Options on Stocks

• If underlying asset is a stock and Div is the deterministic* dividend stream, we can plug in $e^{-rT} F_{0,T} = S_0 - PV_{0,T}(\text{Div})$ thus obtaining:

$$C(K, T) = P(K, T) + [S_0 - PV_{0,T}(\text{Div})] - e^{-rT} K$$

• For index options, $S_0 - PV_{0,T}(\text{Div}) = S_0 e^{-\delta T}$, therefore

$$C(K, T) = P(K, T) + S_0 e^{-\delta T} - e^{-rT} K$$

* allows us to stay in one period setting
Option price boundaries

• American vs. European
  – Since an American option can be exercised at anytime, whereas a European option can only be exercised at expiration, an American option must always be at least as valuable as an otherwise identical European option:
    \[
    C_A(S, K, T') \geq C_E(S, K, T') \\
    P_A(S, K, T') \geq P_E(S, K, T')
    \]

• Option price boundaries
  – Call price cannot: be negative, exceed stock price, be less than price implied by put-call parity using zero for put price:
    \[
    S > C_A(S, K, T') \geq C_E(S, K, T') > [PV_{0,T}(F_{0,T}) - PV_{0,T}(K)]^+
    \]
  – Put price cannot: be negative, exceed strike price, be less than price implied by put-call parity using zero for call price:
    \[
    K > P_A(S, K, T') \geq P_E(S, K, T') > [PV_{0,T}(K) - PV_{0,T}(F_{0,T})]^+
    \]
Early exercise of American call

- Early exercise of American options
  - A non-dividend paying American call option should not be exercised early, because:
    \[
    C_A \geq C_E = S_t - K + P_E + K \left( 1 - e^{-r(T-t)} \right) > S_t - K
    \]
  
  - That means, one would lose money by exercising early instead of selling the option

- Caveats
  - If there are dividends, it may be optimal to exercise early
  - It may be optimal to exercise a non-dividend paying put option early if the underlying stock price is sufficiently low
Options: Time to expiration

- Time to expiration
  - An American option (both put and call) with more time to expiration is at least as valuable as an American option with less time to expiration. This is because the longer option can easily be converted into the shorter option by exercising it early.
  - European call options on dividend-paying stock may be less valuable than an otherwise identical option with less time to expiration.
Options: Time to expiration

- Time to expiration
  - When the strike price grows at the rate of interest, European call and put prices on a non-dividend paying stock increases with time.
  - Suppose to the contrary \( P(T) < P(t) \) for \( T > t \), then arbitrage.
    - Buy \( P(T) \) and sell \( P(t) \) initially.
    - \( S_t < K_t \), keep stock and finance \( K_t \), Time \( T \) value \( K_t e^{r(T-t)} = K_T \)

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Options: Strike price

- Different strike prices \((K_1 < K_2 < K_3)\), for both European and American options
  - A call with a low strike price is at least as valuable as an otherwise identical call with higher strike price:
    \[ C(K_1) \geq C(K_2) \]
  - A put with a high strike price is at least as valuable as an otherwise identical put with low strike price:
    \[ P(K_2) \geq P(K_1) \]
  - The premium difference between otherwise identical calls with different strike prices cannot be greater than the difference in strike prices:
    \[ C(K_1) - C(K_2) \leq K_2 - K_1 \]
- Price of a collar is not greater than its maximum payoff

\[ S - K_1 \rightarrow K_2 - K_1 \]
Options: Strike price (cont.)

- Different strike prices \((K_1 < K_2 < K_3)\), for both European and American options
  - The premium difference between otherwise identical puts with different strike prices cannot be greater than the difference in strike prices:
    \[
    P(K_2) - P(K_1) \leq K_2 - K_1
    \]
  - Premiums decline at a decreasing rate for calls with progressively higher strike prices. (Convexity of option price with respect to strike price):
    \[
    \frac{C(K_1) - C(K_2)}{K_1 - K_2} < \frac{C(K_2) - C(K_3)}{K_2 - K_3}
    \]
Options: Strike price

- Proof: suppose to the contrary
  \[
  \frac{C(K_1) - C(K_2)}{K_2 - K_1} \leq \frac{C(K_2) - C(K_3)}{K_3 - K_2}
  \]

- (Asymmetric) Butterfly spread
  
  - Price \leq 0:
    \[
    \frac{1}{K_2 - K_1} C(K_1) - \left( \frac{1}{K_2 - K_1} + \frac{1}{K_3 - K_2} \right) C(K_2) + \frac{1}{K_3 - K_2} C(K_3) \leq 0
    \]
  
  - Payoff > 0: (at least in some states of the world)

  - \Rightarrow arbitrages
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... back to the big picture

- State space (evolution of states)
- (Risk) preferences
- Aggregation over different agents
- Security structure – prices of traded securities

**Problem:**
- Difficult to observe risk preferences
- What can we say about existence of state prices without assuming specific utility functions/constraints for all agents in the economy
**Specify Preferences & Technology**

- evolution of states
- risk preferences
- aggregation

**Observe/specify existing Asset Prices**

**State Prices q**
(or stochastic discount factor/Martingale measure)

**Absolute Asset Pricing**

- derive Asset Prices

**Relative Asset Pricing**

- derive Price for (new) asset

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Pricing

- Define for each $z \in \langle X \rangle$
  \[ \nu(z) := \{ p \cdot h : z = Xh \} \]

- If LOOP holds $\nu(z)$ is a linear functional
  - Single-valued, because if $h'$ and $h'$ lead to same $z$, then price has to be the same
  - Linear on $\langle X \rangle$
    - $\nu(0) = 0$

- Conversely, if $\nu$ is a linear functional defined in $\langle X \rangle$ then the law of one price holds.
• LOOP ⇒ \( v(Xh) = p \cdot h \)

• A linear functional \( V \in \mathbb{R}^S \) is a valuation function if \( V(z) = v(z) \) for each \( z \in \langle X \rangle \)

• \( V(z) = q \cdot z \) for some \( q \in \mathbb{R}^S \), where \( q^s = V(e_s) \), and \( e_s \) is the vector with \( e_s^s = 1 \) and \( e_s^i = 0 \) if \( i \neq s \)
  
  - \( e_s \) is an Arrow-Debreu security

• \( q \) is a vector of state prices

• \( V \) extends \( v \) on \( \mathbb{R}^S \)
State prices $q$

- $q$ is a vector of state prices if $p = X'q$, that is $p^j = x^j \cdot q$ for each $j = 1, ..., J$
- If $V(z) = q \cdot z$ is a valuation functional then $q$ is a vector of state prices
- Suppose $q$ is a vector of state prices and LOOP holds. Then if $z = Xh$ LOOP implies that

$$v(z) = \sum_j h^j p^j$$

$$= \sum_s \left( \sum_j x^j_s q_s \right) h^j = \sum_s \left( \sum_j x^j_s h^j \right) q_s = q \cdot z$$

- $V(z) = q \cdot z$ is a valuation functional $\iff q$ is a vector of state prices and LOOP holds
State prices $q$

\[ p(1,1) = q_1 + q_2 \]
\[ p(2,1) = 2q_1 + q_2 \]

Value of portfolio (1,2)
\[ 3p(1,1) - p(2,1) = q_1 + 2q_2 \]
The Fundamental Theorem of Finance

• **Proposition 1.** Security prices exclude arbitrage if and only if there exists a valuation functional with \( q \gg 0 \)

• **Proposition 1’.** Let \( X \) be a \( S \times J \) matrix, and \( p \in \mathbb{R}^J \). There is no \( h \in \mathbb{R}^J \) satisfying \( h \cdot p \leq 0, Xh \geq 0 \) and at least one strict inequality \( \iff \) there exists a vector \( q \in \mathbb{R}^S \) with \( q \gg 0 \) and \( p = X'q \)

No arbitrage \( \iff \) positive state prices
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Multiple State Prices $q$
& Incomplete Markets

What state prices are consistent with $p(1,1)$?

$p(1,1) = q_1 + q_2$

One equation – two unknowns $q_1, q_2$

There are (infinitely) many.

e.g. if $p(1,1) = .9$

$q_1 = .45, q_2 = .45$, or $q_1 = .35, q_2 = .55$
Lecture 03 One Period Model: Pricing

\[ \langle X \rangle \]

Complete markets
\[ V(x) = \langle X \rangle q \]

\( x_1 \)

\( x_2 \)

\( p = X'q \)

incomplete markets
\[ p = X' q^\circ \]

\[ \langle X \rangle \]

incomplete markets
Multiple q in incomplete markets

Many possible state price vectors s.t. $p = X'q$.
One is special: $q^*$ - it can be replicated as a portfolio.
Uniqueness and Completeness

• **Proposition 2.** If markets are complete, under no arbitrage there exists a *unique* valuation functional.

• If markets are not complete, then there exists $v \in \mathbb{R}^S$ with $0 = Xv$

• Suppose there is no arbitrage and let $q \gg 0$ be a vector of state prices. Then $q + \alpha v \gg 0$ provided $\alpha$ is small enough, and $p = X(q + \alpha v)$. Hence, there are an infinite number of strictly positive state prices.
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   \[ p^j = \frac{1}{1+rf} E[\tilde{\pi} x^j] \]
   (reflect risk aversion by over(under)weighing the “bad(good)” states!)

4. State-price beta model
   \[ E[R^j] - R^F = \beta^j E[R^* - R^f] \]
   (in returns \( R^j := \frac{x^j}{p^j} \))
1. State Price Model

• ... so far price in terms of Arrow-Debreu (state) prices

\[ p^j = \sum_s q_s x_s^j \]
2. Stochastic Discount Factor

\[ p^j = \sum_s q_s x_s^j = \sum_s \pi_s \frac{q_s}{\pi_s} x_s^j \]

• That is, stochastic discount factor \( m_s : = \frac{q_s}{\pi_s} \)

\[ p^j = E[m x^j] \]

Now, probability inner product between \( m \) and \( x^j \)
2. Stochastic Discount Factor

With \( m \): Probability inner product = 0 ("probability orthogonal")
Risk-adjustment in payoffs

\[ p = E[mx] = E[m]E[x] + \text{cov}[m, x] \]

Since \( p^\text{bond} = E[m \times 1] \), the risk free rate \( \frac{1}{1+r_f} = \frac{1}{R_f} = E[m] \).

\[ p = \frac{E[x]}{R_f} + \text{cov}[m, x] \]

Remarks:

(i) If risk-free rate does not exist, \( R_f \) is the shadow risk free rate

(ii) Typically \( \text{cov}[m, x] < 0 \), which lowers price and increases return
3. Equivalent Martingale Measure

- Price of any asset
  \[ p^j = \sum_s q_s x_s^j \]

- Price of a bond
  \[ p_{\text{bond}} = \sum_s q_s = \frac{1}{1 + r_f} \]

\[
p^j = \frac{1}{1 + r_f} \sum_s \frac{q_s}{\sum_{s'} q_{s'}} x_s^j = \frac{1}{1 + r_f} E_{\hat{\pi}}[x^j]
\]

where \( \hat{\pi}_s := \frac{q_s}{\sum_{s'} q_{s'}} \)
... in Returns: \( R^j = \frac{x^j}{p^j} \)

\[ E[mR^j] = 1, \quad R^f E[m] = 1 \Rightarrow E[m(R^j - R^f)] = 0 \]

\[ E[m](E[R^j] - R^f) + \text{cov}[m, R^j] = 0 \]

\[ \Rightarrow E[R^j] - R^f = -\frac{\text{cov}[m, R^j]}{E[m]} \]

(also holds for portfolios \( h \))

Note:

- risk correction depends only on Cov of payoff/return with discount factor.
- Only compensated for taking on systematic risk not idiosyncratic risk.
4. State-price BETA Model

Let underlying asset be \( x = (1.2, 1) \)

With \( m \): Probability inner product = 0 ("probability orthogonal")
4. State-price BETA Model

\[ E[R^j] - R^f = -\frac{\text{cov}[m, R^j]}{E[m]} \]

(also holds for all portfolios \( h \), we can replace \( m \) with \( m^* \))

Suppose (i) \( \text{var}[m^*] > 0 \) and (ii) \( R^* = \alpha m^* \) with \( \alpha > 0 \)

\[ E[R^h] - R^f = -\frac{\text{cov}[R^*, R^h]}{E[R^*]} \]

Define \( \beta^h := \frac{\text{cov}[R^*, R^h]}{\text{var}[R^*]} \) for any portfolio \( h \)
4. State-price BETA Model

(2) for \( R^h \):
\[
E[R^h] - R^f = - \frac{\text{COV}[R^*, R^h]}{E[R^*]} = -\beta^h \frac{\text{var}[R^*]}{E[R^*]}
\]

(2) for \( R^* \):
\[
E[R^*] - R^f = - \frac{\text{COV}[R^*, R^*]}{E[R^*]} = - \frac{\text{var}[R^*]}{E[R^*]}
\]

Hence,
\[
E[R^h] - R^f = \beta^h E[R^* - R^f]
\]

where \( \beta^h := \frac{\text{COV}[R^*, R^h]}{\text{var}[R^*]} \)

Regression \( R^h_s = \alpha^h + \beta^h (R^*)_s + \epsilon_s \) with \( \text{cov}[R^*, \epsilon] = E[\epsilon] = 0 \)

very general – but what is \( R^* \) in reality?
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What do we know about $q, m, \hat{\pi}, R^*$?

• Main results so far
  – Existence $\iff$ no arbitrage
    • Hence, single factor only
  • But doesn’t famous Fama-French factor model have 3 factors?
    • Additional factors are due to time-variation
      (wait for multi-period model)
  – Uniqueness if markets are complete
Different Asset Pricing Models

\[ p_t = E[m_{t+1}x_{t+1}] \Rightarrow E[R^h] - R^f = \beta^h E[R^* - R^f] \]

where \( m_{t+1} = f(...) \) and \( \beta^h = \frac{\text{cov}[R^*, R^h]}{\text{var}[R^*]} \)

\( f(...) = \text{asset pricing model} \)

General Equilibrium

\( f(...) = \frac{\text{MRS}}{\pi} \)

Factor Pricing Model

\( a + b_1 f_{1,t+1} + b_2 f_{2,t+1} \)

CAPM

\( a + b_1 f_{1,t+1} = a + b_1 R^M \)

\[ R^* = R^f \frac{a+b_1 R^M}{a+b_1 R^f} \]

where \( R^m \) is market return is \( b_1 \geq 0 \)?
Different Asset Pricing Models

• Theory
  – All economics and modeling is determined by
    \[ m_{t+1} = a + b'f \]
  – Entire content of model lies in restriction of SDF

• Empirics
  – \( m^* \) (which is a portfolio payoff) prices as well as \( m \) (which is e.g. a function of income, investment etc.)
  – measurement error of \( m^* \) is smaller than for any \( m \)
  – Run regression on \textit{returns} (portfolio payoffs)!
    (e.g. Fama-French three factor model)
Overview: Pricing - one period model

1. LOOP, No arbitrage
2. Forwards
3. Options: Parity relationship
4. No arbitrage and existence of state prices
5. Market completeness and uniqueness of state prices
6. Unique $q^*$
7. Four pricing formulas: state prices, SDF, EMM, beta pricing
8. Recovering state prices from options
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State Prices $q$
(or stochastic discount factor/Martingale measure)

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relative asset pricing

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Recovering State Prices from Option Prices

• Suppose that $S_T$, the price of the underlying portfolio (we may think of it as a proxy for price of “market portfolio”), assumes a "continuum" of possible values.

• Suppose there are a “continuum” of call options with different strike/exercise prices ⇒ markets are complete

• Let us construct the following portfolio:
  for some small positive number $\varepsilon > 0$

  - Buy one call with $K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} - \varepsilon$
  - Sell one call with $K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2}$
  - Sell one call with $K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2}$
  - Buy one call with $K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} + \varepsilon$
Recovering State Prices ... (ctd)

Payoff of the portfolio

\[
\begin{align*}
&\hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} - \epsilon & &\hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \\
&\hat{S}_T & &\hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \\
&\hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} & &\hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} + \epsilon
\end{align*}
\]
Recovering State Prices ... (ctd)

• Let us thus consider buying $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ units of the portfolio.
  
  • The total payment, when $\hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \leq S_T \leq \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2}$ is $\varepsilon \cdot \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = 1$, for any $\varepsilon$
  
  • Letting $\varepsilon \to 0$ eliminates payments in the regions $S_T \in \left[\hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} - \varepsilon, \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2}\right]$ and $S_T \in \left(\hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2}, \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} + \varepsilon\right]$.
  
• The value of $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ units of this portfolio is

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left\{ C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} - \varepsilon \right) - C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \right\}$$
Recovering State Prices ... (ctd)

- Taking the limit $\varepsilon \to 0$

$$
\begin{align*}
    C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) - C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} - \varepsilon \right) &= \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon}
    \frac{\partial C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \right)}{\partial K} \\
    C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} + \varepsilon \right) - C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \right) &= \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon}
    \frac{\partial C \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \right)}{\partial K}
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, as $\delta \to 0$ we obtain the state price density $\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}$.
Recovering State Prices ... (ctd.)

• Evaluate the following cash flow

\[ CF_T = \begin{cases} 
0 & S_T \notin \left[ \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2}, \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \right] \\
50000 & S_T \in \left[ \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2}, \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \right]
\end{cases} \]

• Value of this cash flow today

\[
q(S^1_T, S^2_T) = \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} (S, K = S^1_T) - \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} (S, K = S^2_T)
\]

\[
50000 \left[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T + \frac{\delta}{2} \right) - \frac{\partial C}{\partial K} \left( S, K = \hat{S}_T - \frac{\delta}{2} \right) \right]
\]
### Table 8.1 Pricing an Arrow-Debreu State Claim

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Note $\Delta K = 1$
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