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Homework on:
General Equilibrium Theory:
Economic analysis of financial markets
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We consider a two-period model with the uncertainty represented by the graph \mathbb{D} . \mathbb{D}_1 is the set of states of nature at date 1. We assume that we have a unique commodity at each state. We consider a financial structure with a finite collection of \mathcal{J} assets, represented by the payoff mapping $p \rightarrow V(p)$ from $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{D}}$ to the set of $\sharp\mathbb{D}_1 \times \mathcal{J}$ matrices.

1) Show that the rank of the full payoff matrix $W(p, q)$ for a commodity price p and an asset price $q \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{J}}$ has the same rank than the payoff matrix V if q is arbitrage free.

2) We assume that $V(p)$ is one-to-one. Show that the set $Q(p)$ is an open convex cone of $\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{J}}$.

3) We assume that the bond is among the collection of assets \mathcal{J} , that is the asset whose payoffs are equal to 1 at each state $\xi \in \mathbb{D}_1$. The bond is the asset j_0 . We consider an arbitrage free asset price q such that $q_{j_0} = 1$. Show that for all asset j ,

$$q_j \in [\min\{v_j(p, \xi) \mid \xi \in \mathbb{D}_1\}, \max\{v_j(p, \xi) \mid \xi \in \mathbb{D}_1\}]$$

4) We assume now that $\sharp\mathbb{D}_1 = 2$ and that the collection \mathcal{J} contains only nominal assets. The payoff matrix is

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let q be an arbitrage free price such that $q_1 = 1$. Show that $q_2 \in]-1, 2[$. Compute the no arbitrage price of the asset k with payoffs $(0, 2)$ as a function of q_2 . Compute the portfolio $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ of the two initial assets which duplicates Asset k .

5) We consider a partition $\mathcal{P} = (\Xi_j)_{j \in \mathcal{J}}$ of \mathbb{D}_1 where all subsets Ξ_j is nonempty. For all $j \in \mathcal{J}$, we associates the nominal asset j defined by its payoffs: 1 for $\xi \in \Xi_j$ and 0 otherwise.

- a) Show that the payoff matrix V of this financial structure is one-to-one.
- b) Show that the set of no arbitrage asset prices is $\mathbb{R}_{++}^{\mathcal{J}}$.
- c) Show that the asset price q defined by $q_j = \frac{\#\Xi_j}{\#\mathbb{D}_1}$ is arbitrage free and give one present value vector associated to q_j .
- d) Let π be a probability on \mathbb{D}_1 such that $\pi(\xi) > 0$ for all $\xi \in \mathbb{D}_1$. Show that q defined by $q_j = \pi(\Xi_j)$ is an arbitrage free price and give one present value vector associated to q_j .
- e) Show that the financial structure V is complete if and only if the partition \mathcal{P} contains all singletons $\{\xi\}_{\xi \in \mathbb{D}_1}$.