

MTH 9831 Assignment 7 (10/25/2018 - 10/31/2018).

Read Lecture 7. Additional references for this material are:

1. S. Shreve, Stochastic Calculus for Finance II, Sections 5.4, 9.2, 9.4.1, 9.4.2.
- (1) (Self-financing condition for model with 2 stocks) Exercise 1 from lecture 7.
- (2) (Replication guarantees that the price is unique) Exercise 3 from lecture 7.
- (3) (Alternate proof of Theorem 3.3) Exercise 9.1.
- (4) (Portfolios under change of numéraire) Exercise 9.2.
- (5) (Change in volatility caused by change of numéraire) Exercise 9.3.
- (6) (Explicit solution to a general linear SDE) Solve Exercise 6.1 following these steps:
 - (a) Solve $dZ(u) = b(u)Z(u)du + \sigma(u)Z(u)dW(u)$ for $u \geq t$ with the initial condition $Z(t) = 1$.¹
 - (b) Find the SDE for the process $Y(u) := X(u) \left(\frac{1}{Z(u)} \right)$.
 - (c) Solve the equation for $Y(u)$ obtained in (b) for $u \geq t$ with the initial condition $Y(t) = x$ and find the solution $X(u)$ to the original equation which satisfies the initial condition $X(t) = x$.

Which of the processes and models that you already know satisfy a linear SDE?

¹This is the analog of the so-called integrating factor for linear ODEs.