



FIXED INCOME SECURITIES

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Term Structure of Zero Coupon

- In order to develop intuition about the shape of the yield curve, we have a standard approach : to plot the yield vs. maturity for a **zero coupon** or pure discount bond
- If we plot the yield curve for coupon bond , depending on the coupon rate it is not clear that the final maturity is important.
- If we plot yield Vs. Duration, depending on the coupon and payment structure same duration bonds may have different yields.
- Using the bond convention let $y(t, T)$ be as ($1 + \%$ of yield) , it is also called **holding period return** ,for holding T-maturity bond from time t until T
- For pure discount bond the yield is :
$$y(t, T) = \left[\frac{1}{p(t, T)} \right]^{\frac{1}{T-t}}$$



Forward Rate

- Time " t " forward rate for the period $[T, T+1]$ is the rate locked in at time " t " for a bond commencing at time T & maturing at time $T+1$,.

$$f(t, T) = \frac{p(t, T)}{p(t, T + 1)}$$

It is the rate contracted at time $t \leq T$ for a risk-less loan over the time period $[T, T + 1]$

Mimicking portfolio:

At time t buy one unit of zero coupon with maturity at time T and pay $P(t, T)$. To finance this purchase sell $\frac{P(t, T+1)}{P(t, T)}$ units of $T + 1$ zero coupon bond each at price $P(t, T + 1)$.



Forward Rate

- Look at the transaction and cash flow:

Time Transaction	Cash flow		
	t	T	T+1
Buy on "T" Bond	$-P(t,T)$	+1	
sell $[P(t,T) / P(t,T+1)]$ of T+1 Bond	$+P(t,T)$		$-P(t,T) / P(t,T+1)$
net Cash Flow	0	+1	$-P(t,T) / P(t,T+1)$

It is equivalent to us borrowing at time "T" one dollar and pay it back with interest of the forward rate at time "T+1". We locked this rate at time t .



Forward Rate - Example

Period	Bond Price	Yield	Forward Rate
1	0.9523	1.050	1.050
2	0.9053	1.051	1.052
3	0.8581	1.052	1.055
4	0.8119	1.053	1.057
5	0.7659	1.055	1.060
6	0.7212	1.056	1.062
7	0.6771	1.057	1.065
8	0.6358	1.058	1.065
9	0.597	1.059	1.065

- **Spot Rate** is defined as the rate contracted at time t for one period risk less loan commencing immediately, that is : $r(t)=f(t,t)$
- **Money-Market Account** An account starting with \$1 at time 0 and investing in spot rate and is rolling it every period.
- $M(0) = 1$, $M(1) = M(0) * r(0)$, ..., $M(t + 1) = M(t) * r(t)$



Forward Rate

- When we have zero coupon curve the forward rate are determined by arbitrage conditions:

$$P(t, t) = 1$$

$$P(t, t+1) = \frac{1}{f(t, t)}$$

$$f(t, t+1) = \frac{p(t, t+1)}{P(t, t+2)} \Rightarrow P(t, t+2) = \frac{1}{f(t, t) \times f(t, t+1)}$$

$$p(t, T) = \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^{T-1} f(t, j)}$$

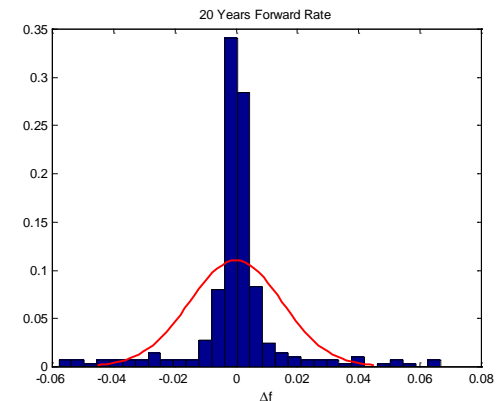
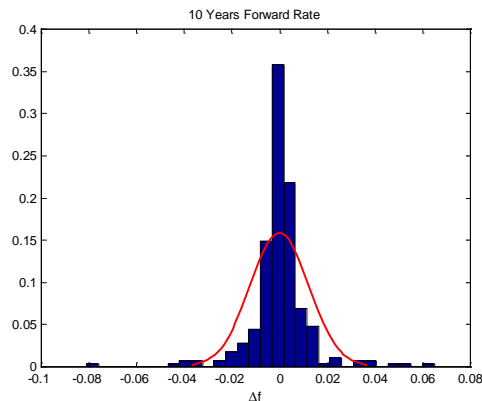
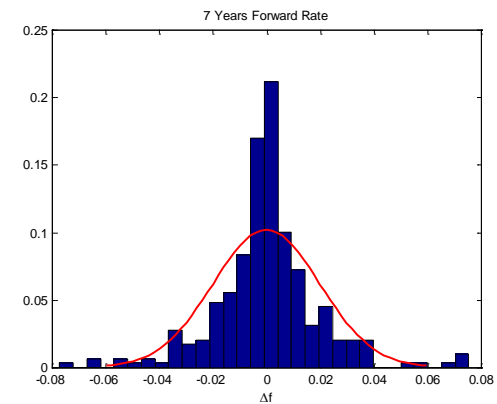
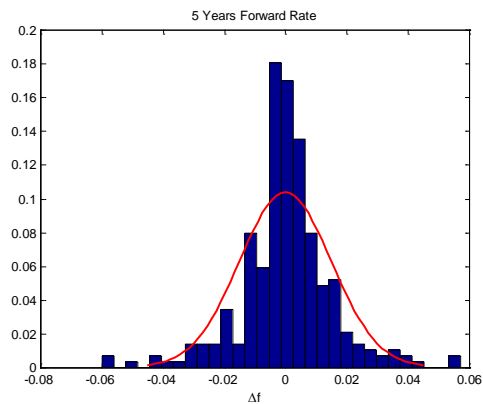


The Evolution of Term Structure of Interest Rate

- **Principal of No Arbitrage:** Two perfect substitutes that are freely traded have to sell at the same price, in the absence of arbitrage
- **Arbitrage Pricing or Relative Pricing Theory :** Given a set primary assets, their prices and their stochastic price evolution through time. Our objective is to price secondary asset by:
 - Use the primary assets construct a portfolio of these assets to mimic all cash flows of the secondary asset, by dynamically re-balancing the portfolio through time.
 - Then to avoid arbitrage the price of the secondary asset MUST equal to the cost of this replicating portfolio
 - In Fixed –Income the primary asset classes are the zero-coupon bonds and the money market. The secondary class could be Forward contracts , coupon bonds, other zero-coupon bond, etc.
 - Note : To use Non-Arbitrage Pricing model the prices and their stochastic evolution through time of prices of the Primary assets MUST be EXOGENOUSLY given.

One Factor Model Economy

- Histogram of Monthly Changes in Forward Rates from January 1973 - March 1997

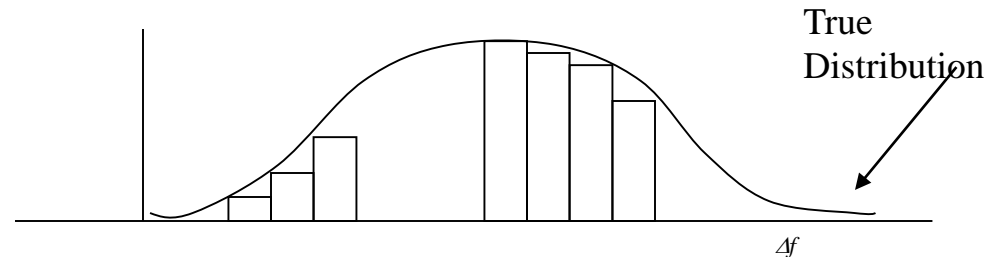
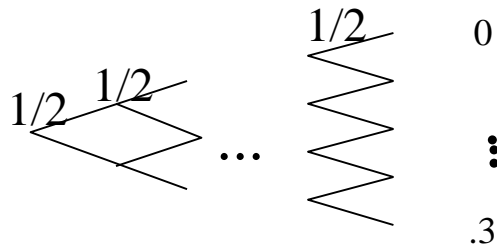
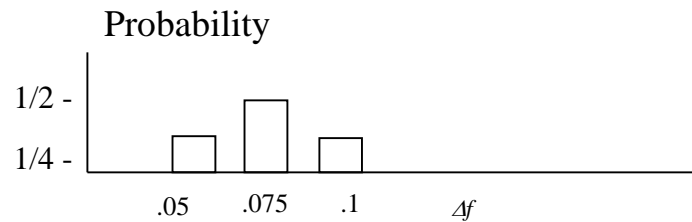
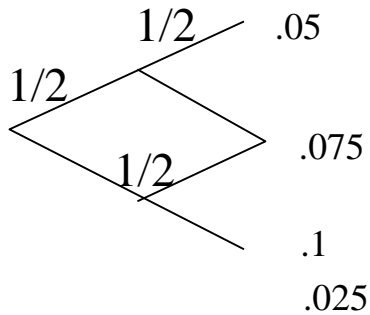
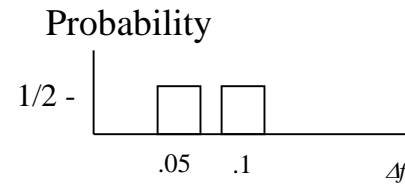
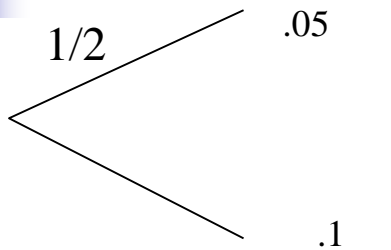




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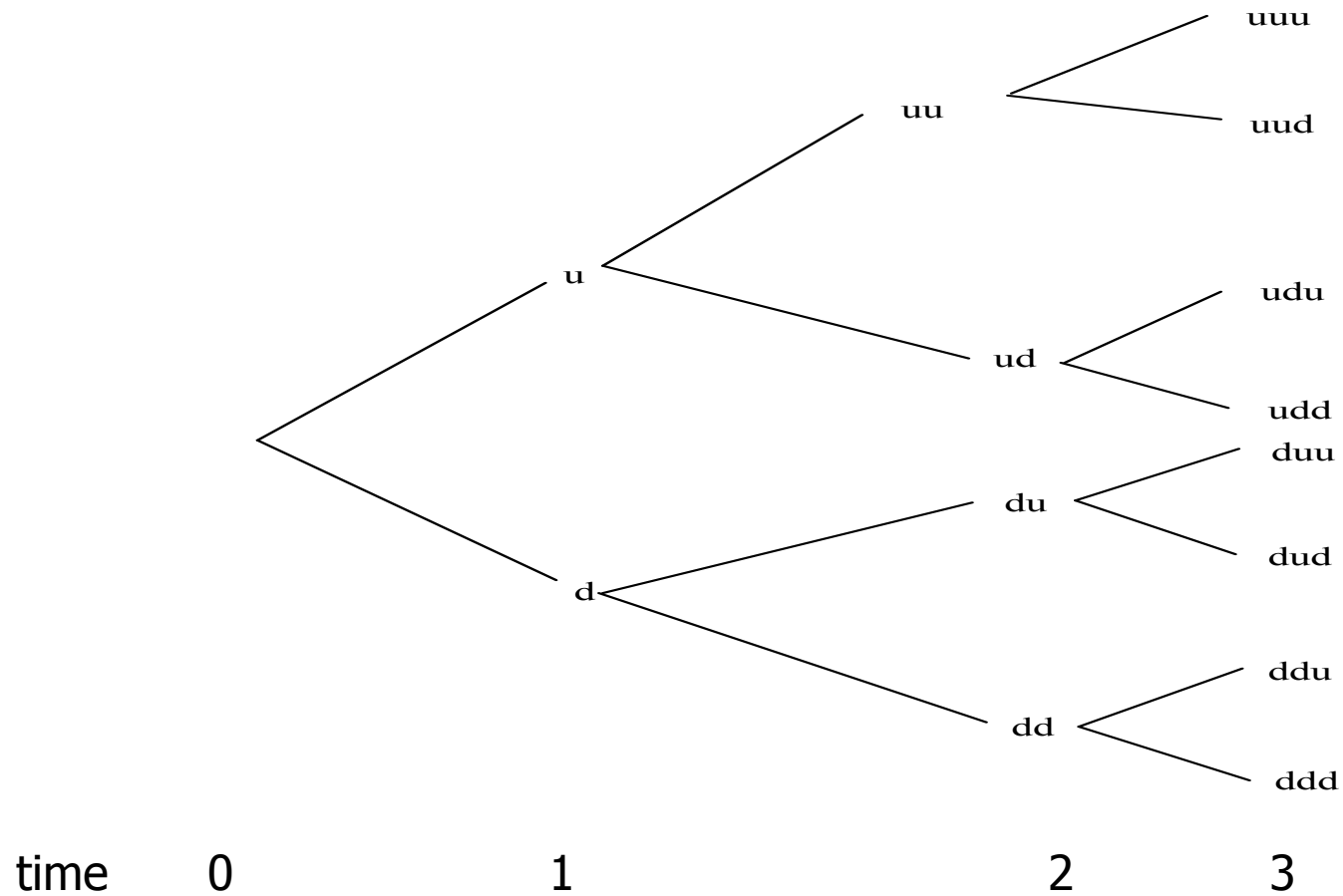
- build a model for the evolution of forward rates such that the model provides a reasonable approximation to the underlying distribution function
- The binomial (and its generalization – the multinomial) model provides such an approximation
- *one-factor model* : For each period " t ", only one of *two* possibilities can be realized next period " $t + 1$ " (up or down). Each branch also occurs with strictly positive probability. One can conceptualize the realization of next period as outcome of tossing *one coin* (one-factor).
- If, instead, at each period " t ", three possible outcome each with strictly positive probability can occur next period " $t + 1$ ", then it is *two-factor model*. Next period is realization is the outcome of *two coins* toss.

Example of a Binomial Approximation to the Normal Distribution





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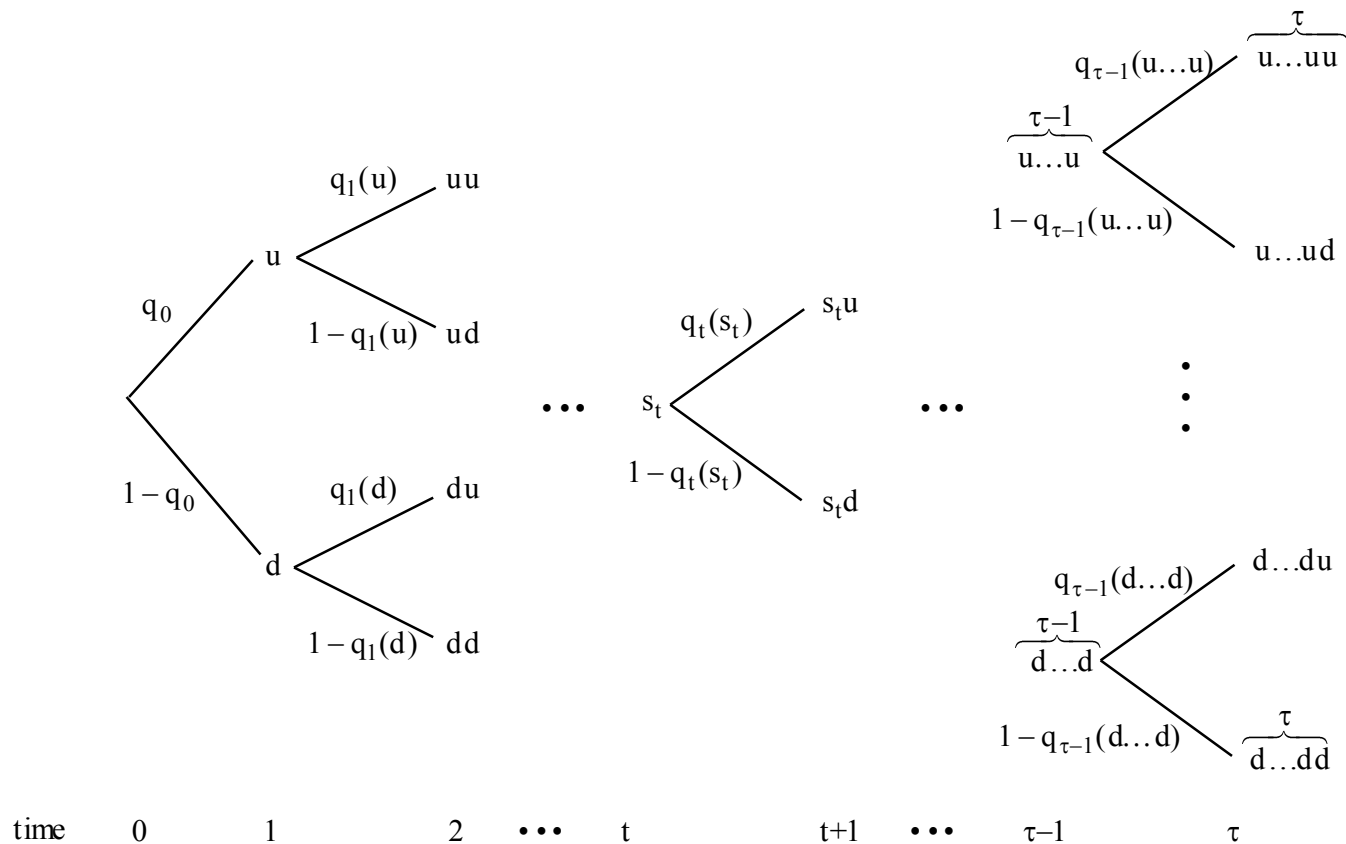




One Factor Model Economy

- At time 0 , one of two possible outcomes can occur. At time 1, we are either in up state 'u' with probability q_0 or in down state 'd' with probability $1-q_0$. The realized state at time 1, s_1 is a member of : $s_1 \in \{u, d\}$
- From state1 the next period state, s_2 is realization of two possible outcome: up 'u' with probability $q_1(s_1)$ or down with probability $1-q_1(s_1)$. At time 2, $s_2 \in \{s_1u, s_1d\}$, therefore there, or $s_2 \in \{uu, ud, du, dd\}$
- $s_n \in \{u \dots u, u \dots d, \dots, d \dots u, d \dots d\}$ or $s_n \in \{s(n-1)u, s(n-1)d\}$
- The specification of state provides us with complete history of the process.
- At end of T period we could have 2^T possible outcome

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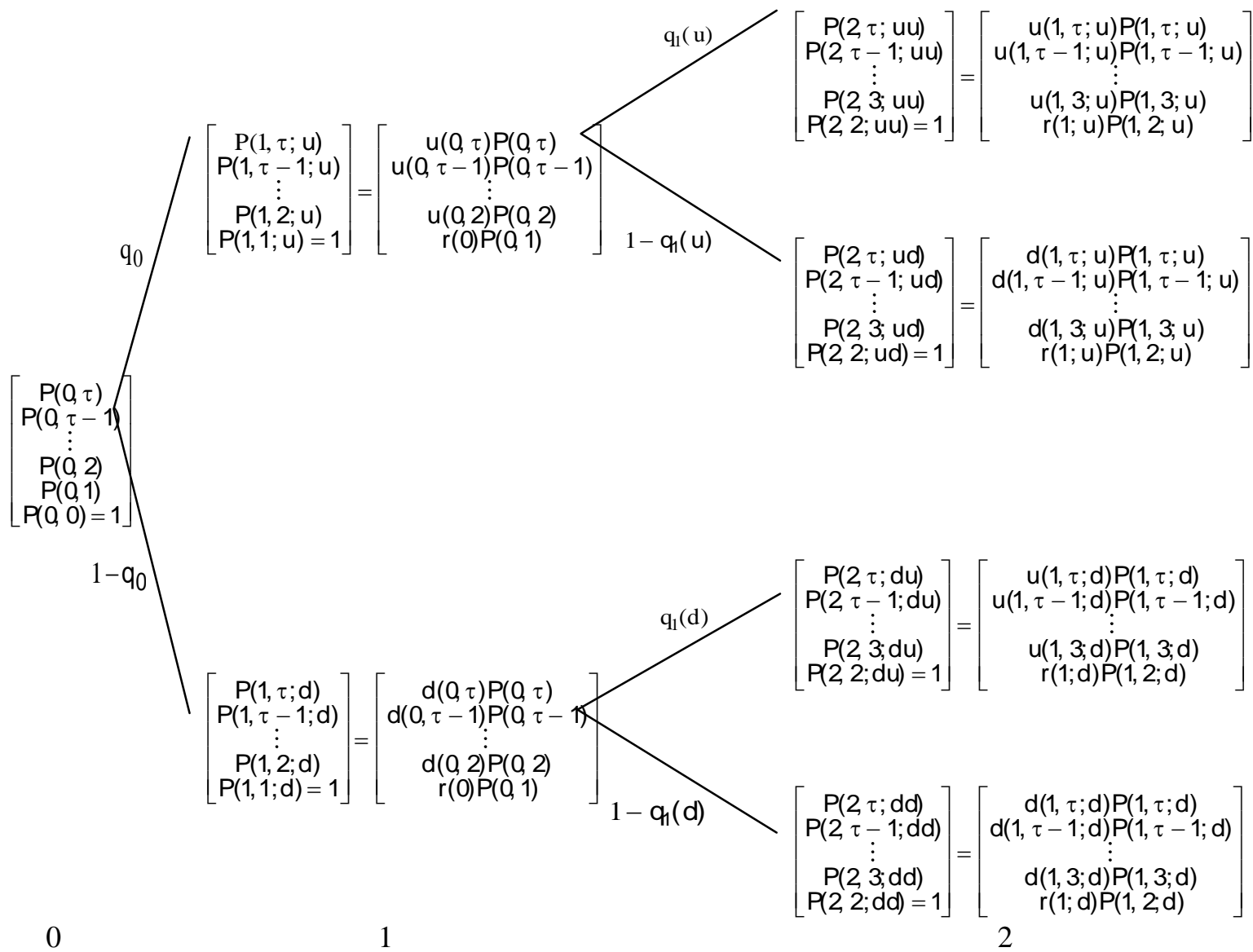


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Bond Pricing Process

- If at the end of 3 period we are in state 'ddu' we know at time 1, time 2 and time 3, we jumped to state 'd' , 'd' , 'u' respectively
- It is called that state are path dependent and tree is busy
- Bond Pricing:

Let $P(t, T, s(t))$ be the price at time t for T maturity zero-coupon when we are at state $s(t)$. Since it is zero-coupon at maturity it pays \$1 in all state of the world . $P(T, T, S(T))=1$ for all $s(T)$ for any time ' t ' $< T$ the price depends on the state that we are at.



$$\begin{bmatrix} P(1, \tau; u) \\ P(1, \tau - 1; u) \\ \vdots \\ P(1, 2; u) \\ P(1, 1; u) = 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u(Q, \tau)P(Q, \tau) \\ u(Q, \tau - 1)P(Q, \tau - 1) \\ \vdots \\ u(Q, 2)P(Q, 2) \\ r(0)P(Q, 1) \end{bmatrix}$$

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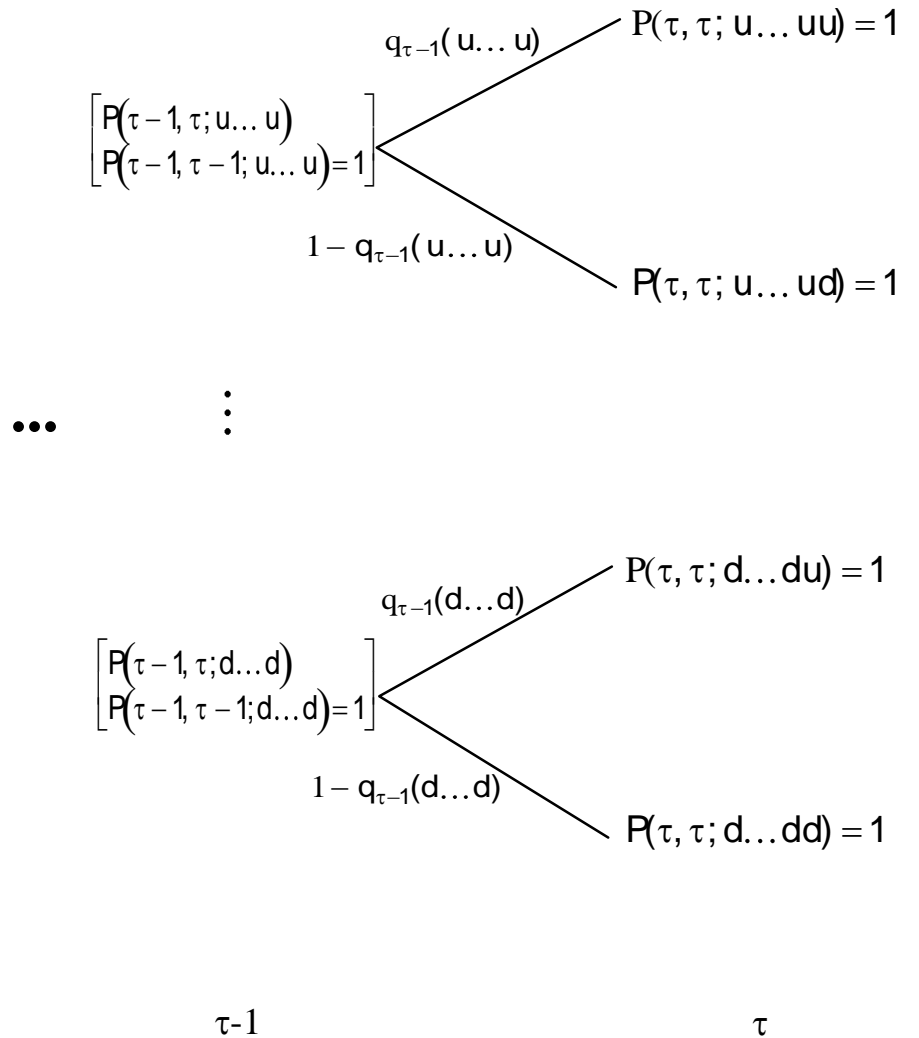
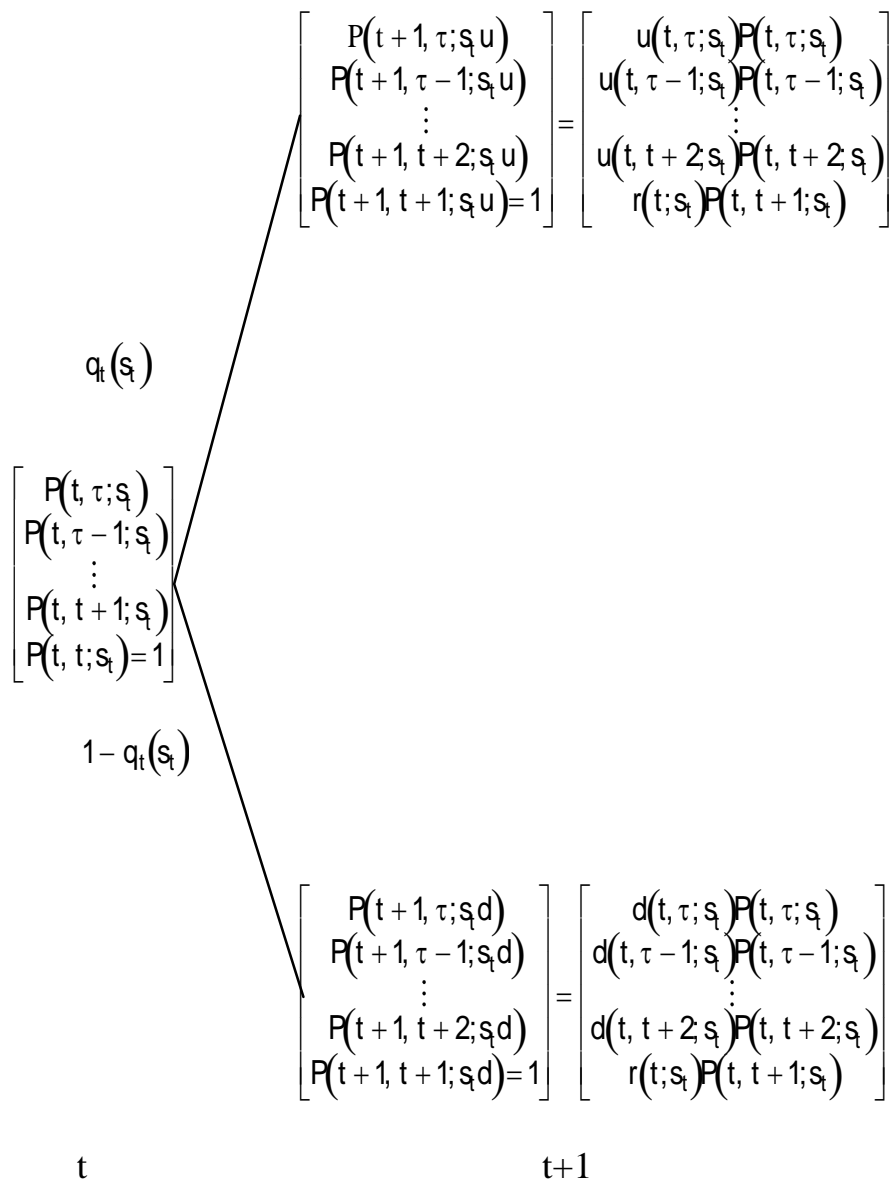
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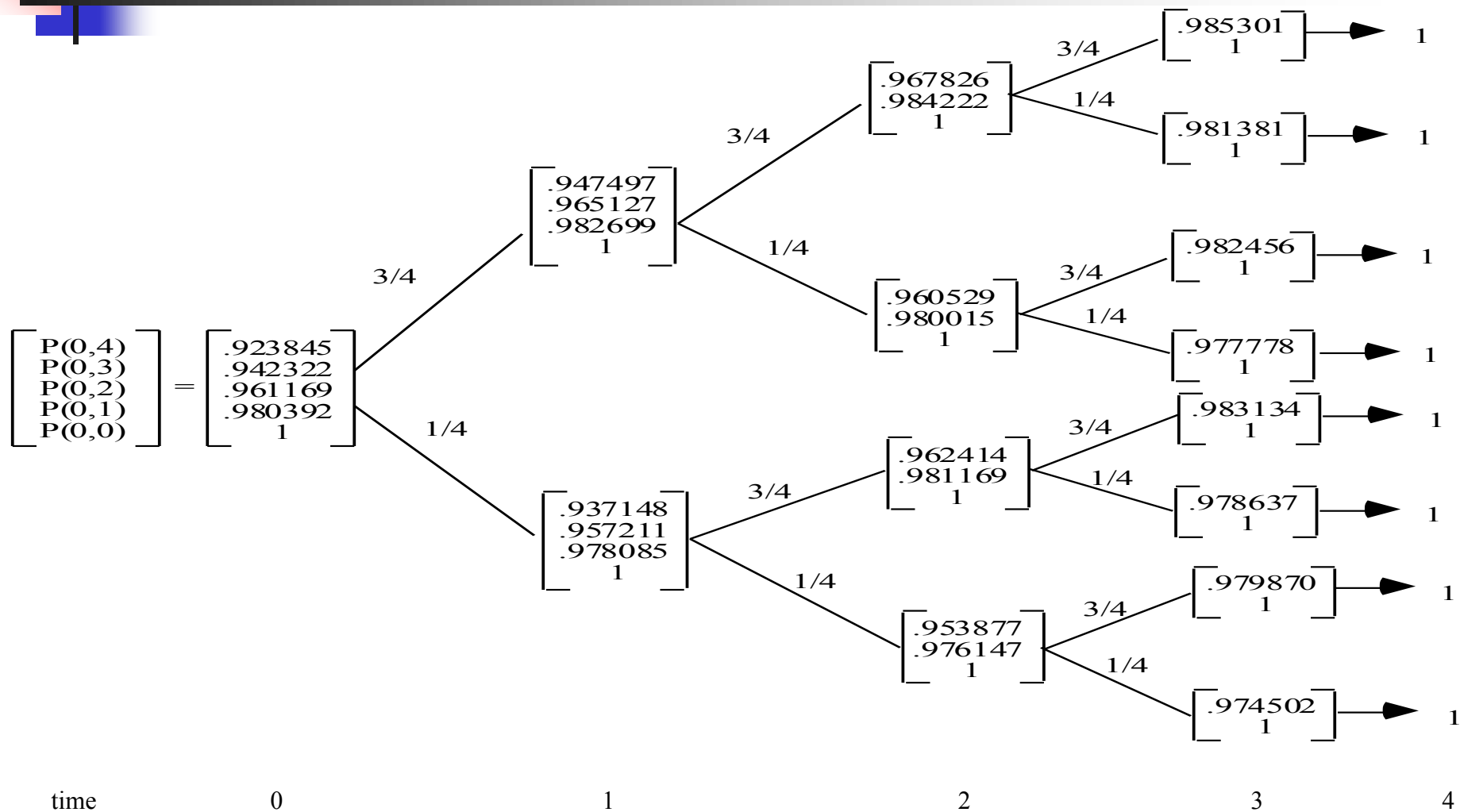
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One-Factor Bond Price Curve Evolution- Example





The Forward Rate Process

- We can summarize this evolution for an arbitrary time t as in expression:

$$f(t+1, T; s_{t+1}) = \begin{cases} \alpha(t, T; s_t) f(t, T; s_t) & \text{if } s_{t+1} = s_t u \\ \text{with } q_t(s_t) > 0 \\ \beta(t, T; s_t) f(t, T; s_t) & \text{if } s_{t+1} = s_t d \\ \text{with } 1 - q_t(s_t) > 0 \end{cases}$$

Where :

$$\tau - 1 \geq T \geq t + 1.$$



Forward Rate Process

- Note that from bond tree we can easily get the forward rate tree since:

$$f(t+1, T; s(t+1)) = \frac{P(t+1, T, s(t+1))}{p(t+1, T+1, s(t+1))}$$

if $s(t+1) = s(t)u$:

$$f(t+1, T; s(t+1)) = \frac{P(t, T, s(t)) \times u(t, T, s(T))}{P(t, T+1, s(t)) \times u(t, T+1, s(t))} = f(t, T, s(t)) \times \frac{u(t, T, s(T))}{u(t, T+1, s(t))}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha(t, T; s(t)) = \frac{u(t, T, s(t))}{u(t, T+1, s(t))} \text{ and } \beta(t, T; s(t)) = \frac{d(t, T, s(t))}{d(t, T+1, s(t))}$$

We can parameterize bond price process first and then deduct the forward rate process from it; alternatively we can parameterize the forward rate process first and then get the bond price from it

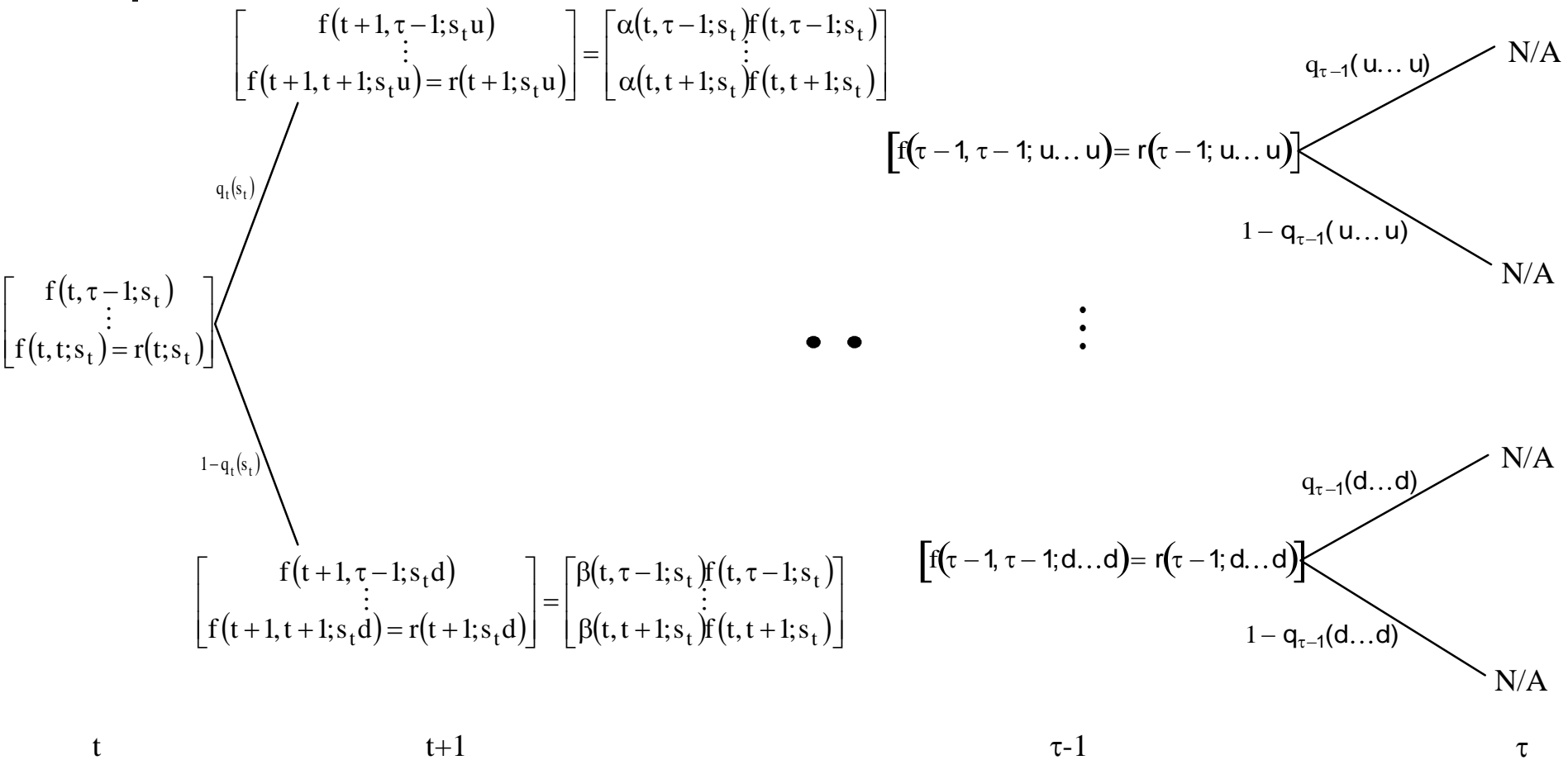


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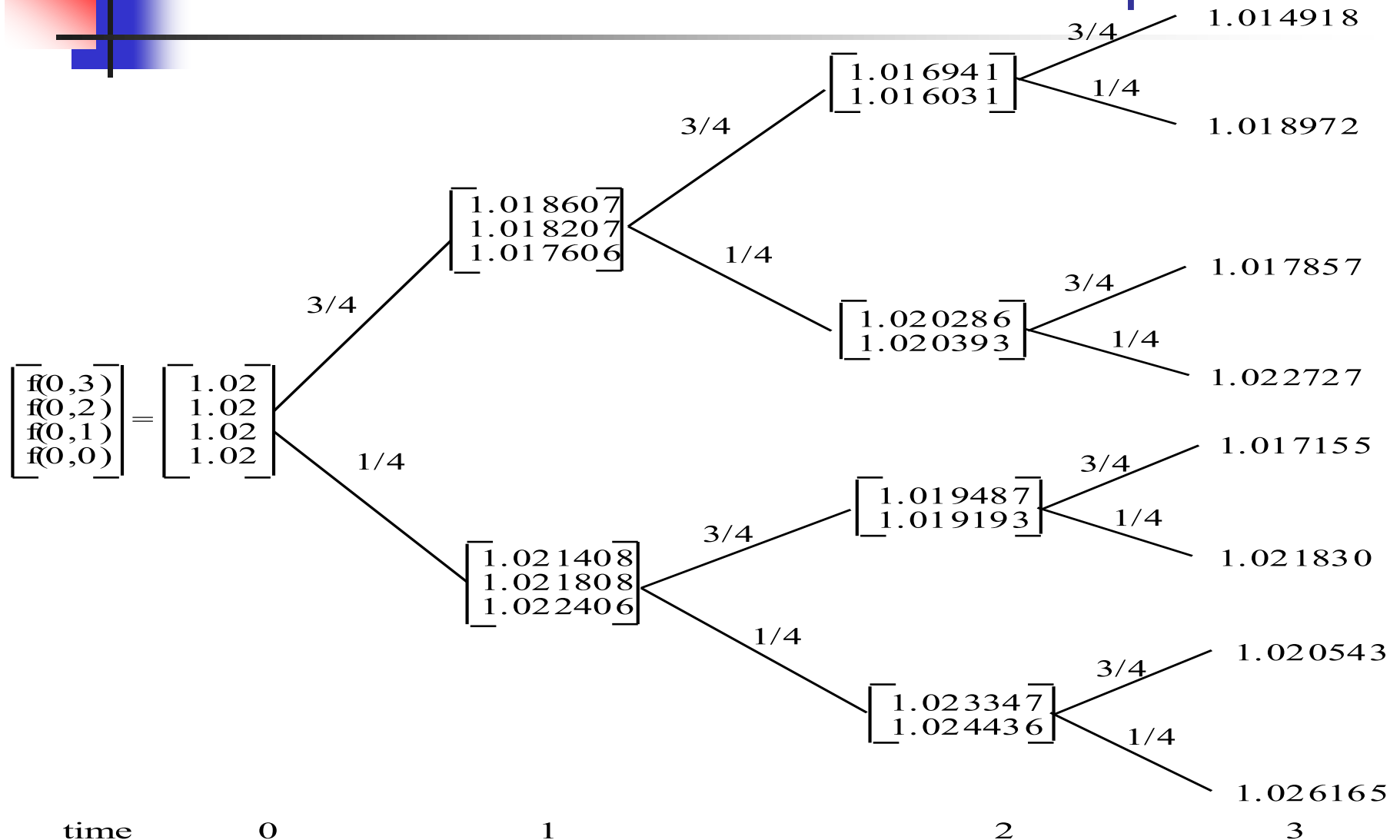
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Forward Rate Process



The Forward Rate Process-Example





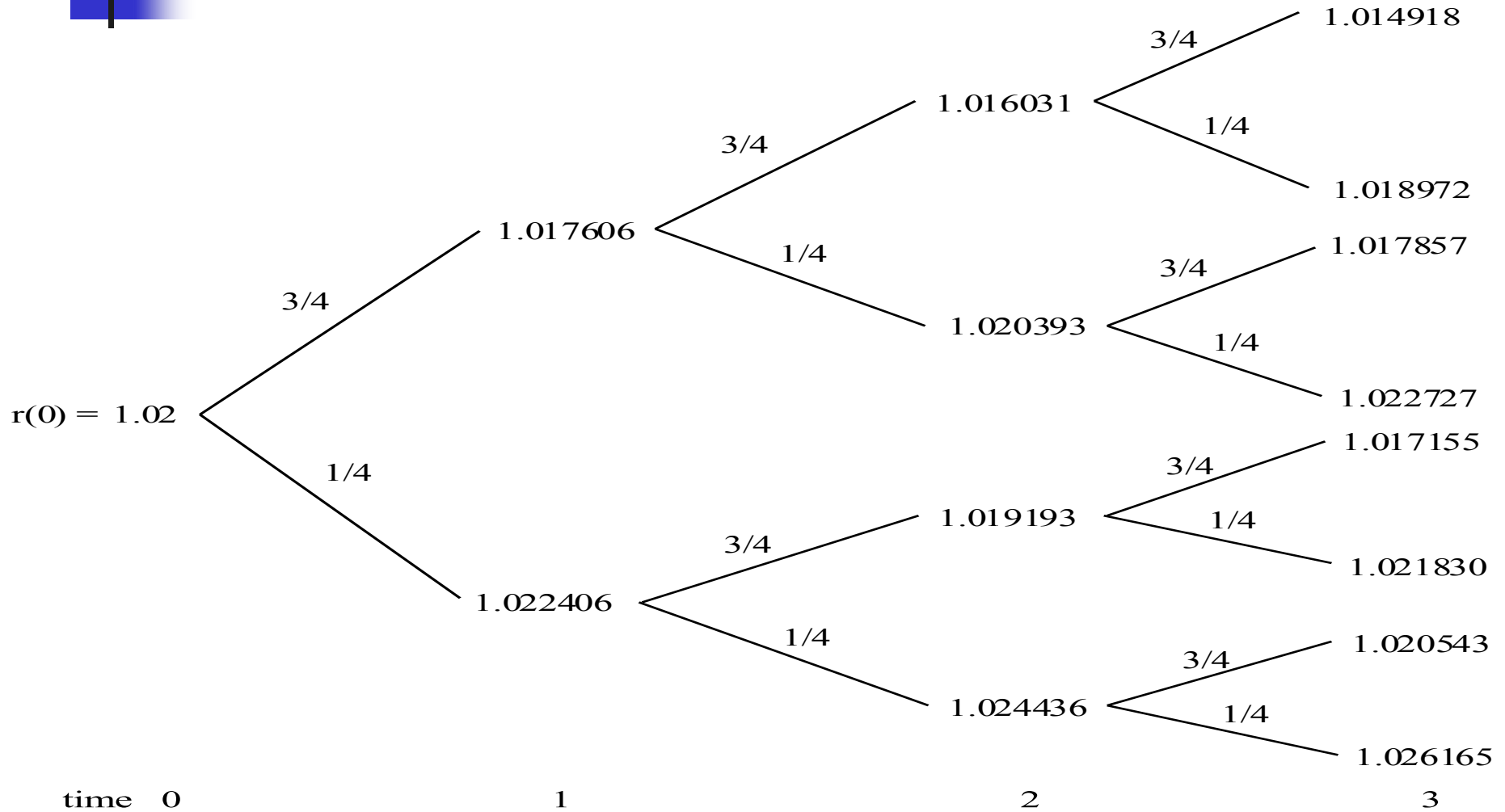
Spot Rate Process

- The Spot rate process simply the price process of the bond with only one period to maturity:

$$r(t; s(t)) = \frac{1}{p(t, t+1, s(t))} = f(t, t, s(t))$$

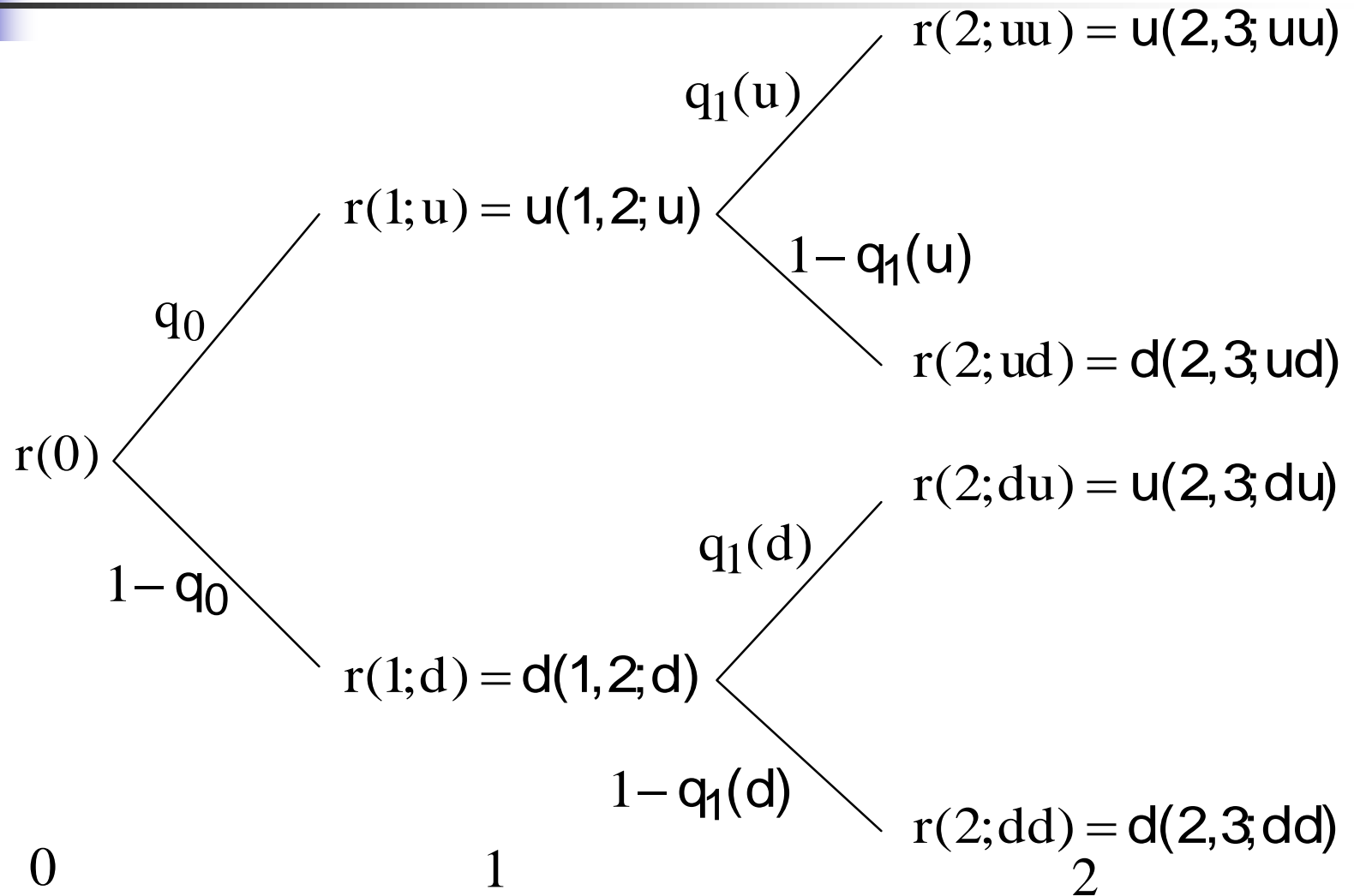


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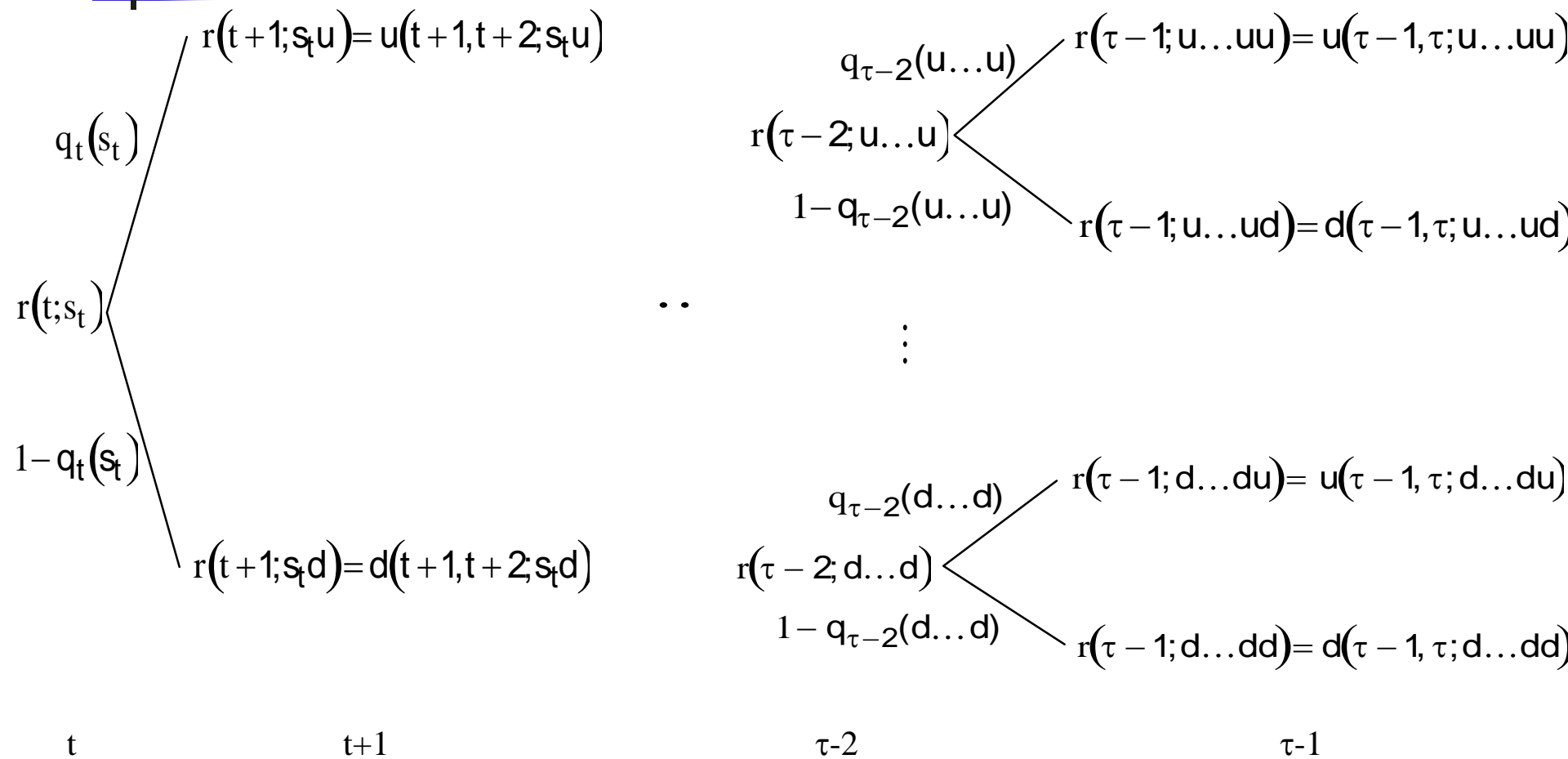




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Summary

- At time t :
- $P(t, T, s(t))$ is time t , state $s(t)$ price of zero coupon bond maturing in T .
- $P(t + 1, T, s(t)u)$ is time $t+1$, price of the same bond IF we jump to state u from current state $s(t)$
- $P(t + 1, T, s(t)d)$ is time $t+1$, price of the same bond IF we jump to state d from current state $s(t)$
- $r(t, st)$ is one risk free rate at time t .
- $P(T, T, s(T)) = 1$, price at time T , zero coupon bond maturing at time T . (immediate maturity)
- $P(T - 1, T, s(T - 1)) = \frac{1}{r(T-1, s(T-1))}$ price at time $T-1$, zero coupon bond maturing at time T . (one period to maturity)



Summary

- Money Market Account:
- At Time 0, invest \$1 ($M(0)=\1) in one period risk free rate $r(0)$ (known at time 0)
- At time 1, is state s_1 value of this account will be :
- $M(1) = M(0) * r(0) = r(0)$
- Roll your investment and invest in one period risk free rate $r(1, s_1)$
- And continue this price :
- $M(t, s(t - 1)) = M(t - 1, s(t - 2)) * r(t - 1, s(t - 1))$
- Note $M(t, s(t - 1))$ is realized value of rolling money market at time t , but since $r(t - 1, s(t - 1))$ is known at time $t-1$, therefore value of $M(t, s(t - 1))$ is also know at time $t-1$