Model-free bounds for multi-asset options using option-implied information and their exact computation

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We consider derivatives written on multiple underlyings in a one-period financial market, and we are interested in the computation of model-free upper and lower bounds for their arbitrage-free prices. We work in a completely realistic setting, in that we only assume the knowledge of traded prices for other single- and multi-asset derivatives, and even allow for the presence of bid–ask spread in these prices. We provide a fundamental theorem of asset pricing for this market model, as well as a superhedging duality result, that allows to transform the abstract maximization problem over probability measures into a more tractable minimization problem over vectors, subject to certain constraints. Then, we recast this problem into a linear semi-infinite optimization problem, and provide two algorithms for its solution. These algorithms provide upper and lower bounds for the prices that are $\varepsilon$-optimal, as well as a characterization of the optimal pricing measures. These algorithms are efficient and allow the computation of bounds in high-dimensional scenarios (e.g. when $d = 60$). Moreover, these algorithms can be used to detect arbitrage opportunities and identify the corresponding arbitrage strategies. Numerical experiments using both synthetic and real market data showcase the efficiency of these algorithms, while they also allow to understand the reduction of model risk by including additional information, in the form of known derivative prices.

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1. Introduction

The classical paradigm in finance and theoretical economics assumes the existence of a model that provides an accurate description of the evolution of asset prices, and all subsequent computations about hedging strategies, exotic derivatives, risk measures, and so forth, are based on this model.
However, academics, practitioners, and regulators have realized that all models provide only a partially accurate description of this reality, thus, either methods need to be developed in order to aggregate the results of many models, or approaches have to be devised that allow for computations in the absence of a specific model. The first approach led to the introduction of robust methods in asset pricing and no-arbitrage theory, see e.g. Bayraktar et al. (2015), Beissner (2017), Beissner and Riedel (2019), Bouchard and Nutz (2015), Bouchard et al. (2019), Dana and Riedel (2013), Epstein and Ji (2013), Maruhn (2009), Neufeld and Nutz (2013), Possamaï et al. (2013), Rigotti and Shannon (2005), and Yan et al. (2018), while the second one led to model-free methods in asset pricing and no-arbitrage theory, see e.g. Acciaio et al. (2016), Bartl et al. (2019), Bartl et al. (2020), Beiglbock et al. (2013), Bertsimas and Bushueva (2006), Burzoni et al. (2016), Burzoni et al. (2019), Burzoni et al. (2021), Cheridito et al. (2017), Davis et al. (2014), Dolinsky and Soner (2014a), Dolinsky and Neufeld (2018), Galichon et al. (2014), Henry-Labordère (2013), Hobson (1998), Hu et al. (2019), Lütkebohmert and Sester (2019), and Riedel (2015).

In this work, we consider derivatives written on multiple underlyings in a one-period financial market, and we are interested in the computation of upper and lower bounds for their arbitrage-free prices. We work in a completely realistic setting, in that we only assume the knowledge of traded prices for other single- and multi-asset derivatives, and even allow for the presence of bid–ask spread in these prices. In other words, we work in a model-free setting in the presence of option-implied information, and make no assumption about the probabilistic evolution of asset prices (i.e. their marginal distributions) or their dependence structure.

The computation of bounds for the prices of multi-asset options, most often basket options, is a classical problem in the mathematical finance literature and has connections with several other branches of mathematics, such as probability theory, optimal transport, operations research, and optimization. In the most classical setting, one assumes that the marginal distributions are known and the joint law is unknown; this framework is known as dependence uncertainty. In this framework, several authors have derived bounds for multi-asset options using tools from probability theory, such as copulas and Fréchet–Hoeffding bounds, see e.g. Chen et al. (2008), Dhaene et al. (2002a,b), and Hobson et al. (2005a,b). These bounds turned out to be very wide for practical applications, hence recently there was an interest in methods that allow for the inclusion of additional information on the dependence structure, in order to reduce this gap. This led to the creation of improved Fréchet–Hoeffding bounds and the pricing of multi-asset options in the presence of additional information on the dependence structure, see e.g. Tankov (2011), Lux and Papapantoleon (2017), and Puccetti et al. (2016).

The setting of dependence uncertainty is intimately linked with optimal transport theory, and its tools have also been used in order to derive bounds for multi-asset option prices, see e.g. Bartl
et al. (2017) for a formulation in the presence of additional information on the joint distribution. More recently, De Gennaro Aquino and Bernard (2020), Eckstein and Kupper (2019), and Eckstein et al. (2021) have translated the model-free superhedging problem into an optimization problem over classes of functions, by extending results in optimal transport, and used neural networks and the stochastic gradient descent algorithm for the computation of the bounds.

Ideas from operations research and optimization have also been applied for the computation of model-free bounds in settings that are closer to ours, and do not necessarily assume knowledge of the marginal distributions (or, equivalently, knowledge of call option prices for a continuum of strikes). Bertsimas and Popescu (2002) consider the computation of the model-free bounds on a single-asset call option given the moments of the underlying asset price as well as the model-free bounds on a single-asset call option given other single-asset call and put option prices. In addition, they also consider specific conditions under which the model-free bounds on a multi-asset option can be theoretically computed in polynomial time. d’Aspremont and El Ghaoui (2006) consider a framework where the prices of forwards and single-asset call options are known, and compute upper and lower bounds on basket options prices using linear programming. In the more general case where the prices of other basket options are also known, they derive a relaxation to the problem which can be solved using linear programming. This work was later extended by various authors. Peña et al. (2010b) improve the results of d’Aspremont and El Ghaoui (2006) when computing the lower bounds on basket options prices in two special cases: (i) when the number of assets is limited to two and prices of basket options are known; and (ii) when the prices of only a forward and a single-asset call option per asset are known. Peña et al. (2012) develop a linear programming-based approach for the problem of computing the upper price bound of a basket option given bid and ask prices of vanilla call options. Peña et al. (2010a) study the problem of computing the upper and lower bounds on basket and spread option prices when the prices of other basket and spread option prices are known. Their approach involves solving a large linear programming problem via the Dantzig–Wolfe decomposition in which the corresponding subproblem is solved using mixed-integer programming. Compared to d’Aspremont and El Ghaoui (2006), Peña et al. (2010a), and Peña et al. (2010b, 2012), the numerical methods we develop in Section 3 apply to settings that are much more general, where the derivative being priced and the traded derivatives with known prices can be any continuous piece-wise affine function (including, but not limited to, vanilla, basket, spread, and rainbow options, as well as any linear combination of these options). Moreover, as we demonstrate in Section 4, these methods are able to efficiently compute the price bounds in high-dimensional scenarios, e.g. when 60 assets are considered. This is considerably higher compared to existing studies. Daum and Werner (2011) develop a discretization-based algorithm for solving linear semi-infinite programming problems that returns a feasible solution, and apply the algorithm to compute
the upper bounds on basket or spread options prices when single-asset call, put, and exotic options prices are known. Cho et al. (2016) develop methods similar to Daum and Werner (2011) but for lower bounds on basket or spread options prices. The algorithm we introduce in Section 3.1 takes a similar approach, but is able to solve the problem when the prices of multi-asset options with a more general class of payoff functions are known. Kahale (2017) uses a central cutting plane algorithm to compute the super- and sub-replicating prices of financial derivatives using hedging portfolios that consist of other financial derivatives in the multi-period discrete-time setting. The algorithm only works under the assumption that the underlying state space (i.e. the space of asset prices) is finite. When the state space is infinite, it is discretized before applying the central cutting plane algorithm, and the discretization error is analyzed. However, the approach of discretizing the state space has limited applicability to the multi-dimensional settings (i.e. with multiple underlying assets) due to the curse of dimensionality. The algorithm we develop in Section 3.2 is also based on a central cutting plane algorithm, but it allows us to efficiently compute model-free price bounds in high-dimensional state spaces for financial derivatives that depend on multiple assets.

Our contributions are three-fold: Firstly, we provide a fundamental theorem of asset pricing for the market model described above, as well as a superhedging duality, that allows to transform the abstract maximization problem over probability measures into a more tractable problem over vectors, subject to certain constraints. Secondly, we recast this problem into a linear semi-infinite optimization problem, and provide two algorithms for its solution. These algorithms provide upper and lower bounds for the prices of multi-asset derivatives that are ε-optimal, as well as a characterization of the optimal pricing measures. These algorithms are efficient and allow the computation of bounds in high-dimensional scenarios (e.g. when $d = 60$), that were not possible by previous methods. Moreover, these algorithms can be used to detect arbitrage opportunities in multi-asset financial markets and to identify the corresponding arbitrage strategies. Thirdly, we perform numerical experiments using synthetic data as well as real market data to showcase the efficiency of these algorithms. These experiments allow us to understand the reduction of the no-arbitrage gap, i.e. the difference between the upper and lower no-arbitrage bounds, by including additional information in the form of known derivative prices. The no-arbitrage gap directly reflects the model-risk associated to a particular derivative and the information available in the market. The numerical experiments show a decrease of the model-risk by the inclusion of additional information, although this decrease is not uniform and depends on the form of information and the specific structure of the payoff functions.

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 we present the modeling framework, state the no-arbitrage theorem and the superhedging duality, and discuss a setting that is relevant for practical applications. In Section 3 we present the algorithms that have been developed for the computation
of model-free bounds and state theorems that show the validity of these algorithms. In Section 4 we discuss various numerical experiments using both synthetic and real market data that show the efficiency of the algorithms and the reduction of model-risk by the inclusion of additional information in the form of known derivative prices. We also perform a numerical experiment to show the ability of the algorithms to detect arbitrage opportunities. Appendix A contains the proofs of the main results of this paper. The online appendices contain additional remarks and discussions about the theoretical results, the numerical methods, and the numerical experiments, as well as the proofs of the results in Section 2.

2. Duality in the presence of option-implied information

In this section, we introduce a general framework for a model-free, one-period, financial market where multiple assets and several single- and multi-asset derivatives written on these assets are traded simultaneously. Model-free means that we will not make any assumption about the probabilistic model that governs the evolution of asset prices. Instead, we will utilize information available in the financial market and implied by the prices of single- and multi-asset derivatives. We will provide both a fundamental theorem and a superhedging duality in this setting, where our results and proofs are inspired by Bouchard and Nutz (2015). Moreover, we will describe concrete examples of this framework that are of practical interest.

Throughout this work, all vectors are column vectors unless otherwise stated. We denote vectors and vector-valued functions by boldface symbols. For a vector $\mathbf{x}$ in a Euclidean space, let $[\mathbf{x}]_j$ denote the $j$-th component of $\mathbf{x}$. For simplicity, we also use $x_j$ to denote $[\mathbf{x}]_j$ when there is no ambiguity. Let $\|\mathbf{x}\|$ denote the Euclidean norm of $\mathbf{x}$. Let $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \rangle$ denote the Euclidean inner product of two vectors $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{x}'$. We denote by $\mathbf{e}_i$ the $i$-th standard basis vector of a Euclidean space, by $\mathbf{0}$ the vector with all entries equal to zero, $i.e.$ $\mathbf{0} = (0, \ldots, 0)^T$, and by $\mathbf{1}$ the vector with all entries equal to one, $i.e.$ $\mathbf{1} = (1, \ldots, 1)^T$. We call a subset of a Euclidean space a polyhedron or a polyhedral set if it is the intersection of finitely many closed half-spaces. We call a subset of a Euclidean space a polytope if it is a bounded polyhedron.

Let $\Omega$ be a Polish space equipped with its Borel $\sigma$-algebra denote by $\mathcal{B}(\Omega)$. Let $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ denote the set of Borel probability measures on $\Omega$. Let $g_j : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ be Borel measurable for $j = 1, \ldots, m$, for some fixed $m \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $\mathbf{g} : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^m$ denote the vector-valued Borel measurable function where the $j$-th component corresponds to $g_j$. Let $\pi, \pi_j \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that $\pi_j \leq \pi_j$ for $j = 1, \ldots, m$. Let $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \ldots, y_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and define $\pi : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$ as

$$\pi(\mathbf{y}) := \sum_{j=1}^m y_j^+ \pi_j - y_j^- \pi_j,$$

where $y_j^+ := \max\{y_j, 0\}, y_j^- := \max\{-y_j, 0\}$. Let $\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{g} \rangle$ denote the function $\sum_{j=1}^m y_j g_j : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$.

We make the following no-arbitrage assumption.
**Assumption 2.1 (No-Arbitrage).** The following implication holds for any \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \):

\[
\langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq 0 \implies \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) = 0,
\]

where the inequality and the equality are both understood as point-wise.

**Remark 2.2.** Assumption 2.1 is inspired by the no-arbitrage assumption introduced in Definition 1.1 of Bouchard and Nutz (2015), where the set of possible models for the market is \( \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \), i.e. all Borel probability measures, and a single time step is considered. The difference between Assumption 2.1 and the no-arbitrage assumption in Bouchard and Nutz (2015) is that the price of a financial derivative in the present work is not a singleton but can lie anywhere between the corresponding bid and ask prices. Note that there are other notions of no-arbitrage that are weaker than Assumption 2.1, for example the “no uniform strong arbitrage” assumption in Definition 2.1 of Bartl et al. (2017).

Let \( f : \Omega \to \mathbb{R} \) be a Borel measurable function, and define the functional \( \phi(f) \) as follows:

\[
\phi(f) := \inf \left\{ c + \pi(y) : c \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f \right\}.
\]  

Let \( Q \) be defined as follows:

\[
Q := \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) : \pi_j \leq \int_{\Omega} g_j \, d\mu \leq \pi_j, \text{ for } j = 1, \ldots, m \right\}.
\]

The main results of this section are the following fundamental theorem and superhedging duality, whose proofs are provided in Appendix EC.4.

**Theorem 2.3 (Fundamental Theorem).** The following are equivalent:

(i) Assumption 2.1 holds.

(ii) For all \( \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \), there exists \( \mu \in Q \) such that \( \nu \ll \mu \).

**Theorem 2.4 (Superhedging duality).** Under Assumption 2.1, the following statements hold.

(i) \( \phi(f) > -\infty \).

(ii) There exists \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) such that \( \phi(f) + \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq f \). Hence, the infimum in (2.2) is attained when \( \phi(f) < \infty \).

(iii) We have the following superhedging duality result:

\[
\phi(f) = \sup_{\mu \in Q} \int_{\Omega} f \, d\mu.
\]
Remark 2.5. No-arbitrage conditions and Fundamental Theorems of Asset Pricing are essential tools to understand and characterize the viability of a model in a financial market. They have to be tailored to the modeling assumptions and the specific applications in mind, hence a multitude of comparable statements exist in the literature. Analogously to our no-arbitrage condition, the Fundamental Theorem presented in Theorem 2.3 is closely related to the First Fundamental Theorem in [Bouchard and Nutz (2015)]. The main difference is the presence of a bid–ask spread, which means that we cannot exactly reduce our results to their theorem and another proof is needed; this proof is motivated by the results in [Bouchard and Nutz (2015)]. There are several other versions of a Fundamental Theorem in the presence of model uncertainty in the mathematical finance literature; see e.g. [Acciaio et al. (2016), Bayraktar and Zhang (2016), Bayraktar et al. (2014), and Burzoni et al. (2021)] for discrete time models, and [Biagini et al. (2017) and Dolinsky and Soner (2014b)] for continuous time ones.

Let us point out that the Fundamental Theorem presented here plays a particular role in conjunction with the numerical methods developed in the next section. More specifically, it provides a sufficient condition for the detection of arbitrage opportunities by numerically testing the violation of the no-arbitrage condition. Moreover, it provides a sufficient condition for repairing derivative prices by removing arbitrage opportunities from the market, in the same spirit as [Cohen et al. (2020)]. These results are novel in the related literature on multi-asset model-free price bounds, and are facilitated by the tailor-made Fundamental Theorem.

Remark 2.6. Superhedging dualities are also classical and essential tools in mathematical finance, typically tailored to specific modeling assumptions and applications. The superhedging duality presented in Theorem 2.4 is motivated by the superhedging theorem in [Bouchard and Nutz (2015)], with the main difference being once again that we are considering an interval of bid and ask prices instead of a single price. There are multiple comparable duality results or superhedging theorems in various areas of mathematics. In the mathematical finance literature, these results are known as superhedging theorems or (martingale) optimal transport dualities, see e.g. [Beiglböck et al. (2013), Acciaio et al. (2016), Bayraktar et al. (2014), Cheridito et al. (2017), and Dolinsky and Soner (2014a)]. In the operations research literature, these results are known as perfect or strong dualities, see e.g. [Bertsimas and Popescu (2002), d’Aspremont and El Ghaoui (2006), Nishihara et al. (2007), and Peña et al. (2010b)]. These latter dualities are typically based on classical results in mathematical programming, see e.g. [Karlin and Studden (1966), and Hettich and Kortanek (1993)].

Let us point out that the superhedging duality (2.3) is crucial when verifying the $\varepsilon$-optimality of a measure in the numerical algorithms introduced in Section 3 see Theorem 3.7 and Corollary 3.8.
The canonical way to interpret the framework developed above is as follows: when \( \Omega = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), then there exist \( d \) underlying risky assets that are traded in the financial market, and \( \Omega \) represents the (non-negative) prices of the assets at a fixed future date. Investing into a unit of the asset \( i \) then corresponds to the payoff function \( g(x) \equiv \text{proj}_i(x) := x_i \) for \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Moreover, there exist \( m \) traded derivatives (typically \( m \gg d \)) with known bid and ask prices \((\pi_j, \bar{\pi}_j)_{j=1:m}\), written either on single or on multiple assets. The payoff function \( g_j \) of a single-asset derivative depends on the price of only a single asset, i.e. \( g_j = \tilde{g}_j \circ \text{proj}_i \) for some \( i \in \{1, \ldots, m\} \) and \( \tilde{g}_j : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \). For example, \( g_j(x) = (x_i - \kappa_j)^+ \) corresponds to a call option with strike \( \kappa_j \). The payoff function \( g_j \) of a multi-asset derivative depends on the prices of multiple assets. For example, \( g_j(x) = (\langle w, x \rangle - \kappa_j)^+ \) corresponds to a basket call option with weight \( w \) and strike \( \kappa_j \). These derivatives encode all the information available in this market. Specifically, information about the marginals of the probability measures in \( Q \) is implied by the bid and ask prices of single-asset derivatives, while partial information on the joint distribution is implied by the bid and ask prices of multi-asset derivatives.

In this setting, the right-hand side of (2.3) is the model-free upper bound for the price of a derivative with payoff function \( f \) written on these \( d \) assets. The optimization takes place over all probability measures that are compatible with the option-implied information, i.e. all probability measures that produce prices for a given option within its respective bid and ask prices. The duality result in (2.3) states that this model-free upper bound equals the least superhedging price achieved by trading in the \( m \) derivatives according to the strategy \((c, y)_j\), i.e. holding \( c \) units of cash and \( y_j \) units of derivative \( j \) for \( j = 1, \ldots, m \), where the minimization takes place over all \((c, y)_j\) such that the payoff \( f \) is dominated, i.e. \( c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f \).

Section EC.1 in the online appendices contains additional discussions about the duality result, including Example EC.1.2 which demonstrates that the supremum on the right-hand side of (2.3) is not necessarily attained, as well as Proposition EC.1.3 which provides a specific setting in which Assumption 2.1 holds.

3. Numerical methods for the computation of bounds

The superhedging duality in Theorem 2.4 allows to transform the abstract maximization problem over probability measures into a more tractable minimization problem over vectors that satisfy certain constraints. The aim of this section is to develop novel numerical methods for the exact and efficient computation of upper and lower bounds on \( \phi(f) \). More specifically, we will develop methods for the computation of upper and lower bounds \( \phi(f)^{\text{UB}} \) and \( \phi(f)^{\text{LB}} \) which are \( \varepsilon \)-optimal, i.e.

\[
\phi(f)^{\text{LB}} \leq \phi(f) \leq \phi(f)^{\text{UB}} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(f)^{\text{UB}} - \phi(f)^{\text{LB}} \leq \varepsilon,
\]
for $\varepsilon > 0$. Our methods allow us to also characterize the optimal pricing measure associated with the primal maximization problem. Therefore, we provide a complete solution to both optimization problems, and can characterize the solution both in terms of $\varepsilon$-optimal hedging strategies and in terms of the optimal pricing measure.

Let $\pi := (\pi_1, \ldots, \pi_m)^T$ and $\pi := (\pi_1, \ldots, \pi_m)^T$. The minimization problem $\phi(f)$ in (2.2) can be equivalently formulated as a linear semi-infinite programming (LSIP) problem, i.e. as an optimization problem with a linear objective and an infinite number of linear constraints, one for each $\omega \in \Omega$,

$$\begin{align*}
\phi(f) &= \min c + \langle y^+ - y^-, \pi \rangle - \langle y^+, \pi \rangle \\
\text{subject to} \quad c + \langle y^+, g(\omega) \rangle &\geq f(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega, \\
&\quad c \in \mathbb{R}, \, y^+ \geq 0, \, y^- \geq 0.
\end{align*}$$

(3.1)

LSIP problems are classical optimization problems that have been thoroughly studied in the related literature; see e.g. Goberna and López (1998, 2018). More general semi-infinite programming problems, including non-linear semi-infinite programming problems and generalized semi-infinite programming problems (where the index set can depend on the decision variable) have also been studied in the literature; see e.g. Reemtsen and Rückmann (1998), López and Still (2007), and Stein (2012). In this section, we develop novel algorithms tailored to solving (3.1) under different assumptions on the space $\Omega$, and the functions $g$ and $f$.

Let us first introduce the notion of CPWA functions and their radial functions.

**Definition 3.1 (Continuous piece-wise affine function and its radial function).** We call a function $h : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ a CPWA function if it can be represented as

$$h(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max \left\{ \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \right\},$$

(3.2)

where $K \in \mathbb{N}$, $I_k \in \mathbb{N}$ for $k = 1, \ldots, K$, and $a_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $b_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}$, $\xi_k \in \{-1, 1\}$ for $i = 1, \ldots, I_k, k = 1, \ldots, K$. The radial function of $h$, denoted by $\bar{h} : \mathbb{R}^d_+ \to \mathbb{R}$, is defined as

$$\bar{h}(z) := \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max \left\{ \langle a_{k,i}, z \rangle : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \right\}.$$

The class of CPWA functions contains many popular payoff functions in finance, including vanilla call and put options, basket options, spread options, call/put-on-max options, call/put-on-min options, best-of-call options, etc. We refer the reader to Section EC.2.1 in the online appendices for the CPWA representations of these payoff functions as well as some properties of CPWA functions.
3.1. CPWA payoff functions on unbounded domains

In the first setting, we work under the following assumptions.

**Assumption 3.2 (Setting 1).** We assume the following:

(i) \( \Omega = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \);

(ii) \( f \) and \( (g_j)_{j=1,m} \) are CPWA functions on \( \Omega \);

(iii) \( \phi(f) < \infty \) and \( \phi(-f) < \infty \).

In the sequel, for notational reasons, we use \( x \) in place of \( \omega \) when \( \Omega \) is a subset of the Euclidean space. Let us introduce the notion of the slack function for the LSIP problem in (3.1).

**Definition 3.3 (Slack function).** Let \( \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \) be fixed, and denote the slack function of the LSIP problem in (3.1) by \( s_y : \mathbb{R}^d_+ \to \mathbb{R} \), which is defined as:

\[
s_y(x) := \langle \mathbf{y}, g(x) \rangle - f(x).
\]

To numerically solve the LSIP problem (3.1), let us now introduce the cutting plane discretization method, detailed in Algorithm 1, which is inspired by the Conceptual Algorithm 11.4.1 in Goberna and López (1998). In Line 1 of Algorithm 1, the so-called “radial constraints” are generated using Algorithm 0 in Section EC.2.2 of the online appendices. The purpose of this step is to generate sufficient and necessary constraints on \( \mathbf{y} \) to guarantee that the slack function \( s_y(\cdot) \) is bounded from below. We refer the reader to Section EC.2.2 for a detailed explanation about this step. In Line 10 and 11, the global minimization problem \( \min_{0 \leq x \leq x} s_y^r(x) \) is solved by formulating it into a mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem in (EC.2.8), as discussed in Lemma EC.2.8. The MILP problem can be solved efficiently by state-of-the-art solvers such as Gurobi (Gurobi Optimization, LLC (2020)), that uses the so-called Branch-and-Bound (BnB) algorithm. We refer the reader to Remark EC.2.9 for a brief description of the BnB algorithm.

We name Algorithm 1 the exterior cutting plane (ECP) method, since every constraint (also known as cut) generated in Line 7 does not restrict the feasible set of (3.1), hence is exterior to the feasible set. We refer the reader to Section EC.2.2 for detailed discussions about various aspects of Algorithm 1. Specifically, Remark EC.2.10 explains the inputs of Algorithm 1 and Remark EC.2.11 discusses the differences between Algorithm 1 and the Conceptual Algorithm 11.4.1 in Goberna and López (1998). Under the assumption that the inputs of Algorithm 1 are specified according to Remark EC.2.10, Theorem 3.4 below shows the properties of Algorithm 1 whose proof is provided in Appendix A.1.

**Theorem 3.4 (Properties of Algorithm 1).** Let Assumption 3.2 hold. Assume that \( \mathbf{x} \) and \( \phi \) are specified as stated in Remark EC.2.10. Then, the following statements hold.

(i) If Assumption 2.1 holds, then \( \varphi^{(r)} \) is non-decreasing in \( r \). At any stage of Algorithm 1, \( s^{(r)} \leq 0 \) and \( \varphi^{(r)} \leq \phi(f) \leq \phi(-f) < \infty \).
Algorithm 1: Exterior Cutting Plane (ECP) Algorithm (under Assumption 3.2)

Input: $\pi$, $\pi', (g_j)_{j=1:m}, f, X^{(0)} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_+^d$, $\phi, \pi > 0$, $\varepsilon > 0$, $\tau > 0$, $0 < \delta \leq 1$

Output: $\phi(f)^{UB}$, $\phi(f)^{LB}$, $c^*$, $y^*$, $X$

1 Formulate the function $s_y(\cdot)$ and use Algorithm 0 (see Section 3.2) to generate radial constraints, denoted by a system of linear inequalities with auxiliary variables $\tilde{\sigma}$.

2 Construct a system of linear inequalities $\sigma$ which contains all variables and inequalities in $\tilde{\sigma}$, additional variables $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $y^+ \geq 0$ and $y^- \geq 0$, and an additional equality $y = y^+ - y^-$. 

3 Add the linear inequality $c + \langle y^+, \pi \rangle - \langle y^-, \pi \rangle \geq \phi - \tau$ to $\sigma$.

4 $r \leftarrow 0$

5 repeat

6 for each $x \in X^{(r)}$ do

7 Add the linear inequality $c + \langle y^+ - y^-, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x)$ to $\sigma$.

8 Solve the LP problem: $c^{(r)} \leftarrow$ minimize $c + \langle y^+, \pi \rangle - \langle y^-, \pi \rangle$ subject to linear constraints $\sigma$, and denote the computed minimizer as $(c^{(r)}, y^{+(r)}, y^{-(r)})$.

9 $y^{(r)} \leftarrow y^{+(r)} - y^{-(r)}$.

10 Formulate the global minimization problem: $\min_{0 \leq x \leq \pi} s_y^{(r)}(x)$ into a mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem (see 3.2).

11 $s^{(r)} \leftarrow c^{(r)} + \min_{0 \leq x \leq \pi} s_y^{(r)}(x)$ (solve the MILP problem via the BnB algorithm).

12 $X^{(r+1)} \leftarrow \{ x : (x, (\lambda_k), (\xi_k), (\delta_k, i), (t_k, i)) \}$ is an integer feasible solution found by the BnB algorithm while solving the MILP problem such that $c^{(r)} + s_y^{(r)}(x) \leq \delta^{(r)}$.

13 $r \leftarrow r + 1$

until $s^{(r-1)} \geq -\varepsilon$

14 $\phi(f)^{LB} \leftarrow c^{(r-1)}$, $\phi(f)^{UB} \leftarrow c^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)}$, $c^* \leftarrow c^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)}$, $y^* \leftarrow y^{(r-1)}$, $X \leftarrow \bigcup_{i=0}^{r-1} X^{(i)}$

15 if $\phi(f)^{UB} < \phi$ then

16 return the problem (3.1) is unbounded.

17 else

18 return $\phi(f)^{UB}$, $\phi(f)^{LB}$, $c^*$, $y^*$, $X$.

(ii) If Assumption 2.1 holds, then Algorithm 2 terminates after finitely many iterations with an $\varepsilon$-optimal solution $(c^*, y^*)$ of (2.2) and $\phi(f)^{LB} \leq \phi(f) \leq \phi(f)^{UB}$ with $\phi(f)^{UB} - \phi(f)^{LB} \leq \varepsilon$.

(iii) If Line 16 of Algorithm 2 is reached, then Assumption 2.1 is violated and problem (3.1) is unbounded.

Remark 3.5. In Section 3.2, under the more restrictive assumption that $\Omega = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d : 0 \leq x \leq \pi \}$ for some $\pi > 0$ (see Assumption 3.6), we show that Algorithm 1 also produces an $\varepsilon$-optimal

$1$ $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)^T > 0 \iff x_1 > 0, \ldots, x_d > 0$. 
solution to the right-hand side of (2.3), which corresponds to the most extreme pricing measure in the original model-free superhedging problem. This will be explained in detail in Corollary 3.8.

3.2. CPWA payoff functions on bounded domains

In the second setting, we adopt similar but more restrictive assumptions than in the first one.

**Assumption 3.6 (Setting 2).** We assume the following:

(i) \( \Omega = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x} \} \) for \( \bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \ldots, \bar{x}_d)^T > 0 \);

(ii) \( f \) and \( (g_j)_{j=1}^m \) are CPWA functions on \( \Omega \);

(iii) \( \phi(f) < \infty \) and \( \phi(-f) < \infty \).

Let us introduce a version of the accelerated central cutting plane (ACCP) method inspired by Betrò (2004), detailed in Algorithm 2. In Algorithm 2, we maintain and update a sequence of lower bounds \( \phi_r \) of \( \phi(f) \), a sequence of upper bounds \( \phi_r \) of \( \phi(f) \), and polytopes in \( \mathbb{R}^{2m+1} \) that are denoted by \( \sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, \varphi_r, \varphi_r, X) \), which have the form

\[
\sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, \varphi_r, \varphi_r, X) := \{ (c, y^+, y^-) : |c| \leq \bar{c}, 0 \leq y^+ \leq \bar{y}, 0 \leq y^- \leq \bar{y}, \varphi_r \leq c + \langle y^+ + y^-, \pi \rangle - \langle y^+ - y^-, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x), \forall x \in X \},
\]

where \( \bar{c}, \bar{y} \) specify a bounding box, \( \varphi_r \) and \( \varphi_r \) specify the lower and upper bounds on \( c + \pi(y^+ - y^-) \), and \( X \subset \Omega \) specifies a collection of feasibility constraints. In Algorithm 2, \( \varphi_r \) is between the lower bound \( \varphi_r \) and the upper bound \( \varphi_r \), and is used as a speculative upper objective cut. The idea of Algorithm 2 is that \( \varphi_r \) is a non-decreasing sequence of lower bounds that approach \( \phi(f) \) from below while \( \varphi_r \) is a non-increasing sequence of upper bounds that approach \( \phi(f) \) from above. These facts will be made clear later in Theorem 3.7. Algorithm 2 has various advantages over Algorithm 1. Most importantly, the MILP problem in Line 17 of Algorithm 2 only needs to be solved approximately with a large error tolerance, and some linear constraints are removed in Line 31 to make solving the LP problem in Line 8 faster. We refer the reader to Betrò (2004) and Section 11.4 of Goberna and López (1998) for further discussions.

A crucial step of Algorithm 2 is to compute the Chebyshev center, that is, the center of the largest inscribed ball, of the polytope \( \sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, \varphi_r, \varphi_r, X) \) in Line 8. It is well-known that the Chebyshev center of a polytope can be computed by solving an LP problem (see, for example, the Conceptual Algorithm 11.4.2 of Goberna and López (1998)).

We refer the reader to Section EC.2.3 for detailed discussions about various aspects of Algorithm 2. Specifically, Remark EC.2.13 explains its inputs, and Remark EC.2.14 discusses the differences between Algorithm 2 and the ACCP algorithm by Betrò (2004). Assuming that the inputs of Algorithm 2 are specified according to Remark EC.2.13, Theorem 3.7 below shows the properties of Algorithm 2 whose proof is provided in Appendix A.2.
Algorithm 2: Accelerated Central Cutting Plane (ACCP) Algorithm (under Assumption 3.6)

Input: $\pi, \pi', (g_j)_{j=1:m}, f, X^{(0)} \subset \Omega, \phi, \phi, c^{*(0)}, y^{*(0)}, \bar{c} > 0, \bar{y} > 0, \varepsilon > 0, \tau > \varepsilon, 0 \leq \gamma < 1, 0 < \zeta < 1, 0 < \delta \leq 1$

Output: $\phi(f)^{UB}, \phi(f)^{LB}, c^{*}, y^{*}, c^{l}, y^{l}, X^{\dagger}, X$

1. $r \leftarrow 0$, $\varphi^{(0)} \leftarrow \phi - \tau$, $\rho^{(0)} \leftarrow \delta$, flag $\leftarrow$ false.
2. Mark all elements of $X^{(0)}$ as active and removable.

3. while $\varphi^{(r)} - \varphi^{(r)} > \varepsilon$

4. $r \leftarrow r + 1$, $\varphi^{(r)} \leftarrow \varphi^{(r-1)}$, $\rho^{(r)} \leftarrow \rho^{(r-1)}$, $\varphi^{(r)} \leftarrow \frac{\varphi^{(r)} + \varphi^{(r)}}{2}$, $c^{*(r)} \leftarrow c^{*(r-1)}$, $y^{*(r)} \leftarrow y^{*(r-1)}$.

5. if flag is true then

6. $X \leftarrow \bigcup_{0 \leq l \leq r-1} \{x \in X^{(l)}: x \text{ is marked active}\}$.

7. Compute the Chebyshev center of $\sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, \varphi^{(r)}, \varphi^{(r)}, X)$ by solving an LP problem.

8. if the LP problem in Line 8 is infeasible then

9. $\varphi^{(r)} \leftarrow \min \{c + (y^{r}, \pi) - (y^{r}, \pi): (c, y^{r}, y^{r}) \text{ satisfies } \sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, -\infty, \infty, X)\}$ (which is an LP problem). Let $(c^{r}, y^{r}, y^{r})$ be a minimizer of this LP problem.

10. $y^{r} \leftarrow y^{r} - y^{r}$, $X^{r} \leftarrow X$.

11. Mark all elements of $\bigcup_{1 \leq r \leq r-1} X^{(r)}$ as removable.

12. $\rho^{(r)} \leftarrow -1$, $X^{(r)} \leftarrow \emptyset$.

13. Skip to the next iteration.

14. Let $(c^{r}, y^{r}, y^{r})$ be the Chebyshev center and let $\rho^{(r)}$ be the radius of the largest inscribed ball of $\sigma(\bar{c}, \bar{y}, \varphi^{(r)}, \varphi^{(r)}, X)$.

15. $y^{r} \leftarrow y^{r} - y^{r}$.

16. Formulate the global minimization problem: minimize $c^{(r)} + s_{y^{(r)}}(x)$ subject to $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ into an MILP problem (see (EC.2.8)). Solve it with relative gap tolerance $\zeta$. Let $\pi^{(r)}$ be its approximate optimal value. Let $\sigma^{(r)}$ be its lower bound at termination.

17. $X^{(r)} \leftarrow \{x: (x, (\lambda_k), (\zeta_k), (\delta_{k,i}), (\xi_{k,i})) \text{ is an integer feasible solution found by the BnB algorithm while solving (EC.2.8) such that } c^{(r)} + s_{y^{(r)}}(x) \leq \delta s^{(r)}\}$. Mark all elements of $X^{(r)}$ as active and removable.

18. if $c^{(r)} + \pi(y^{r}) - s^{(r)} < \varphi^{(r)} - \varepsilon$ then

19. $\varphi^{(r)} \leftarrow c^{(r)} + \pi(y^{r}) - s^{(r)}$, $c^{*(r)} \leftarrow c^{*(r)} - s^{(r)}$, $y^{*(r)} \leftarrow y^{(r)}$.

20. if $s^{(r)} \geq 0$ then

21. Mark all elements of $\bigcup_{1 \leq l \leq r} X^{(l)}$ as removable.

22. Skip to the next iteration (Line 3).

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Algorithm 2: Accelerated Central Cutting Plane (ACCP) Algorithm (under Assumption 3.6)

(continued)

24 if flag is true then
25 flag ← false.
26 Mark all elements of \( X^{(r)} \) as non-removable, and skip to the next iteration (Line 3).
27 flag ← true.
28 for each \( 0 \leq l \leq r \) such that \( \rho^{(r)} < \gamma \rho^{(l)} \) do
29 for each \( x \in X^{(l)} \) marked as removable do
30 if \( c^{(r)} + \langle y^{(r)}, g(x) \rangle - (1 + \|g(x)\|_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \rho^{(r)} > f(x) \) then
31 Set \( x \) as inactive.
32 \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \) \( \overline{\phi}^{(r)} \), \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \) \( \underline{\phi}^{(r)} \), \( c^* \leftarrow c^{*\langle r \rangle} \), \( y^* \leftarrow y^{*\langle r \rangle} \),
33 \( X \leftarrow \bigcup_{0 \leq l \leq r} \{x \in X^{(l)} : x \text{ is marked active}\} \).
34 if \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi \) then
35 return the problem \( (3.1) \) is unbounded.
36 else
37 return \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \), \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \), \( c^* \), \( y^* \), \( c^i \), \( y^i \), \( X^\dagger \).

Theorem 3.7 (Properties of Algorithm 2). Let Assumption 3.6 hold. Assume that \( \phi, \overline{\phi}, c^{*\langle 0 \rangle}, y^{*\langle 0 \rangle}, \overline{\nu}, \underline{\nu} \) are specified as stated in Remark EC.2.13. Then, the following statements hold.

(i) If Assumption 2.1 holds, then \( \overline{\phi}^{(r)} \) is non-decreasing in \( r \), \( \overline{\phi}^{(r)} \) is non-increasing in \( r \). Moreover, at any stage of Algorithm 2, \( \overline{\phi}^{(r)} \leq \phi(f) \leq \overline{\phi}^{(r)} \), and \( c^{*\langle r \rangle} + \langle y^{*\langle r \rangle}, g \rangle \geq f \) holds.

(ii) If Assumption 2.1 holds, then Algorithm 2 terminates after finitely many iterations with an \( \varepsilon \)-optimal solution \( (c^*, y^*) \) of \( (2.2) \) and \( \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \phi(f) \) \( \leftarrow \varepsilon \).

(iii) If Assumption 2.1 holds, then \( c^i, y^i \) and \( X^\dagger \) are defined when Algorithm 2 terminates. If \( |c^i| < \overline{\nu} \) and \( -\underline{\nu} < y^i < \overline{\nu} \), then the following LP problem with decision variables \( (\mu_x)_{x \in X^\dagger} \):

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{maximize} & \quad \sum_{x \in X^\dagger} \mu_x f(x) \\
\text{subject to} & \quad \sum_{x \in X^\dagger} \mu_x = 1, \quad \underline{\pi} \leq \sum_{x \in X^\dagger} \mu_x g(x) \leq \overline{\pi}, \quad \mu_x \geq 0 \forall x \in X^\dagger
\end{align*}
\]

has an optimal solution \( (\mu_x^*)_{x \in X^\dagger} \). Let \( \mu^* \) be a finitely supported measure defined by \( \mu^* := \sum_{x \in X^\dagger} \mu_x^* \delta_x \). Then, \( \mu^* \) is \( \varepsilon \)-optimal for the right-hand side of \( (2.3) \).

(iv) If Line 34 of Algorithm 2 is reached, then Assumption 2.1 is violated and problem \( (3.1) \) is unbounded.

Theorem 3.7 (iii) explicitly provides a pricing measure which is an \( \varepsilon \)-optimal solution to the original model-free superhedging problem. The ECP method (Algorithm 1) is also applicable in
Setting 2 with Line 1 removed. It has the same property as Theorem 3.7(iii), which is detailed in the next corollary and proved in Appendix A.2.

**Corollary 3.8.** Under Assumption 2.1 and Assumption 3.6, Algorithm 1 (with Line 1 removed) terminates after finitely many iterations, and the following LP problem with decision variables \((\mu_x)_{x \in X}\):

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{maximize} & \quad \sum_{x \in X} \mu_x f(x) \\
\text{subject to} & \quad \sum_{x \in X} \mu_x = 1, \quad \pi \leq \sum_{x \in X} \mu_x g(x) \leq \bar{\pi}, \quad \mu_x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in X
\end{align*}
\]  

(3.5)

has an optimal solution \((\mu_x^*)_{x \in X}\). Define the finitely supported measure \(\mu^*\) by \(\mu^* := \sum_{x \in X} \mu_x^* \delta_x\). Then, \(\mu^*\) is \(\varepsilon\)-optimal for the right-hand side of (2.3).

**Remark 3.9.** Under Assumptions 3.2 and 3.6, the payoff functions of the traded derivatives and the target derivative \(f\) must be continuous piece-wise affine (CPWA) functions. Thus, the proposed Algorithms 1 and 2 are unable to directly treat derivatives with non-CPWA payoff functions, such as digital and power options. Hence, it would be necessary to first approximate these payoff functions by CPWA functions in order to treat such derivatives using the proposed algorithms. Existing studies have proposed methods to treat non-CPWA payoff functions under more restrictive assumptions. Bertsimas and Popescu (2002) develop a method to compute the price bounds on a single vanilla call option given moments of the underlying asset price. Moreover, in the multi-asset setting, they show that the theoretical time complexity to compute the price bounds is polynomial when all payoff functions are the sum of a CPWA function and a quadratic function, under the assumption that all of the CPWA functions share the same partition of \(\mathbb{R}^d\) and that the number of polyhedra in the partition is polynomial in the number of assets and the number of traded derivatives. However, this assumption is rather restrictive, since the presence of a fixed number of traded vanilla options written on each asset incurs a partition of \(\mathbb{R}^d\) in which the number of polyhedra is exponential in the number of assets. In Daum and Werner (2011), a method is developed to compute the price bounds on a basket call option given the prices of vanilla call and put options and the prices of single-asset digital and power options. In this setting, due to the structure of the basket call option, the global optimization problem associated with the LSIP problem can be reduced to a sequence of one-dimensional global optimization problems which can then be efficiently solved.

On the computational side, our assumption that all derivatives have CPWA payoff functions makes it possible to formulate the global minimization problem associated with the LSIP problem (3.1) into an MILP problem, which then allows us to efficiently solve the LSIP problem in high-dimensional situations (e.g. when \(d = 60\)) using state-of-the-art solvers. On the practical side, the
exclusion of derivatives with non-CPWA payoff functions does not harm the applicability of the methods we have developed, since most relevant financial derivatives have CPWA payoff functions; see Example EC.2.1. Let us point out, that many trading platforms of digital options are unregulated, some adopt ethically questionable practices, while the involved risk is anyhow difficult to manage and hedge. Because of these, the trading of digital options has been banned in many countries including Australia², Canada³, Israel⁴ and all EU countries⁵. Power options, on the other hand, are conceptual financial derivatives that are not traded in real markets.

Remark 3.10. Algorithms¹ and ² both solve a sequence of constrained optimization problems which are relaxations of the LSIP problem (3.1) where the semi-infinite constraint is reduced to finitely many constraints. This approach is known as the discretization method. Instead of enforcing these constraints strictly, there is an alternative discretization method in which the constraints are replaced by penalty functions, see e.g. [Coope and Price (1998) and Auslender et al. (2009)]. In this method, a sequence of unconstrained optimization problems are solved. We refer the reader to [Auslender et al. (2015)] for a comparison of different variants of this method. Another approach that is based on penalization is the integral-type penalization method, see e.g. [Borwein and Lewis (1991a,b), Lin et al. (1998), and Auslender et al. (2009)]. This approach transforms the original LSIP problem into an unconstrained convex optimization problem with an integral-type penalty term, which can be subsequently solved by the stochastic (sub)gradient descent (SGD) algorithm. This is similar to a recent approach adopted for solving optimal transport, martingale optimal transport, and related problems, see e.g. [Eckstein et al. (2020), Eckstein and Kupper (2019), Eckstein et al. (2021), and De Genmaro Aquino and Bernard (2020)]. We have empirically tested the integral-type penalization plus SGD approach in our problem, and found that it is unstable and highly sensitive to the initialization and the hyper-parameter settings of the SGD algorithm.

4. Numerical experiments and results
In this section, we perform three experiments using synthetically generated derivative prices and one experiment using real market data, in order (i) to demonstrate the performance of the proposed approaches under these settings, (ii) to quantify the effect of the additional information from traded multi-asset options on the width of the no-arbitrage gap, i.e. the difference between the upper and

²https://asic.gov.au/about-asic/news-centre/find-a-media-release/2021-releases/21-064mr-asic-bans-the-sale-of-binary-options-to-retail-clients/, accessed: April 18, 2021.
³https://www.investmentexecutive.com/news/from-the-regulators/binary-options-ban-takes-effect/, accessed: April 18, 2021.
⁴https://www.reuters.com/article/us-israel-binaryoptions-lawmaking/israel-ban-on-binary-options-gets-final-parliamentary-approval-idUSKBN1CS2L1, accessed: April 18, 2021.
⁵https://www.esma.europa.eu/press-news/esma-news/esma-agrees-prohibit-binary-options-and-restrict-cfds-protect-retail-investors, accessed: April 18, 2021.
lower model-free bounds, and (iii) to show that the proposed algorithms are capable of detecting arbitrage opportunities in a financial market.

We refer the reader to Section EC.2.4 in the online appendices for details about the implementation of the proposed numerical algorithms. The code used in this work is available on GitHub [6]. In the subsequent numerical experiments, we consider financial derivatives with the following CPWA payoff functions, whose representations are discussed in Example EC.2.1.

(i) Trading in the $i$-th asset: $g(x) = x_i$.

(ii) Vanilla call option on the $i$-th asset with strike $\kappa > 0$: $g(x) = (x_i - \kappa)^+$. 

(iii) Basket call option with weights $w \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$ and strike $\kappa > 0$: $g(x) = \left(\sum_i w_i x_i - \kappa\right)^+$. 

(iv) Spread call option with weights $w \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \mathbb{R}_+^d$ (e.g. $w = e_i - e_j$) and strike $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$, e.g.: $g(x) = (x_i - x_j - \kappa)^+$. 

(v) Call-on-max (rainbow) option on assets $i_1, \ldots, i_l$ with strike $\kappa \geq 0$: $g(x) = \left[\max(x_{i_1} \vee x_{i_2} \vee \cdots \vee x_{i_l}) - \kappa\right]^+$. 

(vi) Call-on-min (rainbow) option of assets $i_1, \ldots, i_l$ with strike $\kappa \geq 0$: $g(x) = \left[\min(x_{i_1} \wedge x_{i_2} \wedge \cdots \wedge x_{i_l}) - \kappa\right]^+$. 

(vii) Best-of-calls option of assets $i_1, \ldots, i_l$ with strikes $\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_l \geq 0$: $g(x) = (x_{i_1} - \kappa_1)^+ \vee (x_{i_2} - \kappa_2)^+ \vee \cdots \vee (x_{i_l} - \kappa_l)^+$. 

Moreover, in the numerical experiments with synthetically generated prices, we consider market models of the following type:

- The marginal distribution of the price of an asset at terminal time is a log-normal distribution. 
  Under Setting 2, the $i$-th marginal distribution is truncated to $[0, \bar{x}_i]$ for $i = 1, \ldots, d$. 
- The dependence structure among the marginals of the $d$ assets at terminal time is a $t$-copula with a positive definite correlation matrix $C$ and $\nu$ degrees of freedom.

Given these market models, the prices of the single-asset derivatives listed above can be computed in closed-form by taking the discounted expectations of the corresponding payoff functions (w.r.t. a pricing measure). We have assumed that the interest rate is equal to zero, for the sake of simplicity. For the multi-asset derivatives listed above, we approximate their prices via Monte Carlo integration by randomly generating one million independent samples from the copula model and subsequently using these samples to approximate the expectations of the payoff functions. The markets models are also used to compute reference prices for the target derivatives (with payoff $f$). However, they are not used in the computation of the model-free bounds. In the computation of the bounds, the only information used are the prices of single- and multi-asset derivatives that are synthetically generated from these market models. In order to simulate an incomplete market with the presence

[6] https://github.com/qikunxiang/ModelFreePriceBounds
of bid–ask spread, we specify multiple market models with different parameters and subsequently take the minimum (resp. maximum) price of a derivative among its prices under all models as the bid (resp. ask) price of the derivative.

Notice that under the market models described above, the pricing measure \( \hat{\mu} \) has strictly positive density with respect to the Lebesgue measure on \( \Omega \). Moreover, the way the prices of derivatives are generated guarantees that \( \hat{\mu} \in \mathcal{Q} \). Therefore, Assumption 2.1 holds by Proposition EC.1.3

### 4.1. Experiment 1

In this experiment, we consider a financial market with 5 assets \( (d = 5) \). We consider Setting 2 \( (i.e. \) Assumption 3.6 \( ) \) where \( \Omega = [0,100]^5 \). Our goal is to compute the model-free lower and upper price bounds for a call-on-max option with payoff function \( f(x) = (x_2 \vee x_3 \vee x_4 - \kappa)^+ \), where the strike price \( \kappa \) ranges from 0 to 10 with an increment of 0.2. We assume that a total of 439 financial derivatives are traded in the market \( (m = 439) \). These include:

- The 5 assets \( x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \).
- Vanilla call options on the 5 assets with strikes 1, 2, …, 10.
- Basket call options on the 5 assets with strikes 1, 2, …, 10:
  \[
  \begin{align*}
  \left( \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5} \right)^T, \\
  \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0 \right)^T, \\
  \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, 0, 0, 0 \right)^T, \\
  \left( \frac{1}{4}, 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right)^T, \\
  \left( 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right)^T.
  \end{align*}
  \]
- Spread call options with the following weights and strikes \(-5, -4, 0, 1, \ldots, 5\):
  \[
  e_1 - e_2, e_1 - e_3, e_1 - e_4, e_2 - e_3, e_2 - e_4, e_3 - e_4, e_3 - e_5, e_4 - e_5, e_2 - e_1, e_3 - e_1, e_4 - e_1, e_5 - e_2, e_4 - e_2, e_5 - e_2, e_4 - e_3, e_5 - e_3, e_5 - e_4.
  \]
- Call-on-max (rainbow) options on the following 6 groups of assets and strikes 0, 1, …, 10:
  \[
  \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\}, \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}, \{x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5\}, \{x_2, x_3\}, \{x_2, x_4\}, \{x_3, x_4\}.
  \]

The bid and ask prices of the assets and derivatives are synthetically generated from the market models specified in Section EC.3.1. We consider five cases, where we use certain subsets of the traded derivatives to compute the model-free lower and upper price bounds for the target derivative:

- Case 1 (denoted as \( V \)): we use only vanilla options;
- Case 2 (\( V+B \)): we use vanilla and basket options;
- Case 3 (\( V+B+S \)): we use vanilla, basket, and spread options;
- Case 4 (\( V+B+S+R \)): we use vanilla, basket, spread and call-on-max (rainbow) options;
- Case 5 (\( V+R \)): we use vanilla and call-on-max options.

We compute the lower and upper bounds of the call-on-max option with payoff function \( f \) using the ECP method (Algorithm 1 with Line 1 removed) and the ACCP method (Algorithm 2). The inputs of the two algorithms for this experiment are specified in Section EC.3.1.

Figure II shows the computed lower and upper price bounds of the call-on-max option with different strikes, along with their reference bid and ask prices. Let us point out that the price
bounds computed by the two algorithms are almost identical. Indeed, we have checked that all of the absolute differences between the bounds computed by the two algorithms are below $\varepsilon = 0.001$. This is a consequence of Theorem 3.4(ii) and Theorem 3.7(ii) and confirms the correctness of the computed price bounds.

The following observations ensue from the price bounds computed in this example; see Figure 1 for illustrations. (i) The price bounds in the Cases 1–4 are distinct, and the gap between the lower and upper bounds shrinks when the prices of more traded derivatives are added. This means that observing the market prices of more traded derivatives substantially restricts the class of possible pricing measures $Q$ and reduces the no-arbitrage gap between the bounds. On the dual side (2.2), this can be equivalently interpreted as having the information about more traded derivatives provides more ways to sub-replicate and super-replicate the given payoff function and thus makes the gap between the sub-replication price and the super-replication price smaller. (ii) The addition of rainbow options ($R$) in Case 4 results in a significant reduction of the no-arbitrage gap. For example, in Case 4, when the strike is 3.2, the upper bound is 2.07% higher than the reference ask price and the lower bound is 7.88% lower than the reference bid price. The respective percentages in
Case 3 are 15.09% and 26.39% for the upper and lower bounds. The reason is that the traded call-on-max options provide more information to determine the price of the target derivative, since they are similar in structure to the target derivative. This becomes concrete when one considers the dual optimization problem (2.2), where these call-on-max options offer direct ways to sub-replicate and super-replicate the target payoff, e.g. (\(x_2 \vee x_3 - \kappa\))^+ \leq (\(x_2 \vee x_3 \vee x_4 - \kappa\))^+ \leq (\(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3 \vee x_4 - \kappa\))^+.

(iii) On the other hand, the addition of spread options (Case 3) to vanilla and basket options (Case 2) only yields a significant improvement to the bounds for small strikes (\(\leq 4\)), because spread options with large strikes are not traded in the market. (iv) In all cases, we observe that the no-arbitrage gap is significantly smaller for the (integer) strikes, where traded derivative prices are present. In the bottom left panel of Figure 1, for example, the red line (Case \(V+B+S+R\)) almost touches the black line (reference price) for the upper bound at strikes 3 and 4, being only 0.47% and 0.30% higher than the respective reference ask prices, while for the lower bound the gap is very small at the same strikes, being 3.67% and 1.82% lower than the respective reference bid prices. On the other hand, for the intermediate strikes between 3 and 4, for example when the strike is 3.4, the gap grows to 3.05% for the upper bound and to 13.42% for the lower bound. This is due to the fact that all of the traded options in the synthetic financial market have integer strike prices. In the dual optimization problem (2.2), one needs to interpolate traded options with integer strike prices in order to sub-replicate and super-replicate the call-on-max option with non-integer strike prices. Therefore, whenever possible, practitioners should include in the sub- and super-replicating portfolios derivatives with the same strike price as that of the target derivative, in order to reduce the no-arbitrage gap. (v) As observed from the bottom right panel of Figure 1, the upper bounds in Case 5 (\(V+R\)) coincide with the upper bounds in Case 4, while the lower bounds in Case 5 coincide with Case 3 for strikes between 0 and 1.8, coincide with Case 4 for strikes between 2.6 and 10, and fall between Case 3 and Case 4 for strikes between 2 and 2.4. This shows that although the inclusion of more derivatives produces tighter bounds than fewer derivatives, derivatives with similar payoff structure provide more improvement than other derivatives. Therefore, since the computation of price bounds is faster when fewer derivatives are included in the sub- and super-replicating portfolios, practitioners should prioritize including derivatives with payoff structure similar to that of the target derivative when the computation time is limited.

4.2. Experiment 2

In this experiment, we consider a financial market with 60 assets \((d = 60)\). We consider Setting 2 \((i.e. \text{Assumption 3.6})\) where \(\Omega = [0, 100]^{60}\). We use Algorithms 1 and 2 to compute the model-free lower and upper price bounds for a call-on-min option on the first 50 out of the 60 assets, with the strike price ranging from 0 to 1 with an increment of 0.1. The purpose of this experiment is to demonstrate that Algorithms 1 and 2 work even when the number of assets is large.
A total of 400 financial derivatives are traded in the market \((m = 400)\). These financial derivatives include: 60 assets, 180 vanilla call options \((V)\), 3 basket call options \((B)\), 147 spread call options \((S)\), and 10 call-on-min options \((R)\). The bid and ask prices of the assets and derivatives are synthetically generated using the market models specified in Section EC.3.2. For simplicity, we only consider Cases \(V+B+S\) and \(V+B+S+R\) in this experiment. The inputs of the two algorithms for this experiment are detailed in Section EC.3.2.

Figure 2 shows the computed lower and upper price bounds for the call-on-min option with different strikes, along with the reference bid and ask prices. Once again, the price bounds computed by the two algorithms are almost identical, and we have checked that all of the absolute differences between the bounds computed by the two algorithms are below \(\varepsilon = 0.001\). The following observations ensue from this example, which are mostly in line with the observations from the previous one. (i) The price bounds in the two cases are distinct, and the addition of more information improves the bounds and reduces the no-arbitrage gap. (ii) The addition of traded prices of call-on-min options results in a significant improvement of the bounds, since the payoffs used for sub- and super-replicating and the target payoff are of the same type. (iii) However, in this high-dimensional example, we notice that the lower price bounds in Case \(V+B+S\) are identically zero, showing that the traded vanilla, basket, and spread options do not provide enough information for a non-trivial lower price bound of the call-on-min options, and that it is not possible to sub-replicate the payoff of a call-on-min option with these traded options. Therefore, we conclude once again that, whenever possible, practitioners should include in their sub- and super-replicating portfolios not only as many derivatives as possible, but also as many derivatives with similar payoff structure as possible.

Table I shows the total number of LP and MILP problems solved throughout this experiment by the two algorithms. The ACCP algorithm achieved convergence faster than the ECP algorithm in this experiment. Moreover, in the ACCP algorithm, the MILP problems were only approximately solved with relative gap tolerance \(\zeta = 0.8\), as explained in Remark EC.2.13. As a result, the ACCP algorithm was much faster than the ECP algorithm in this experiment.
Table 1: Experiment 2 – Total number of LP and MILP problems solved by the two algorithms.

| Algorithm | Problem | $V+B+S$ | $V+B+S+R$ |
|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|
| ECP       | LP      | 4789    | 3339      |
|           | MILP    | 4789    | 3339      |
| ACCP      | LP      | 1639    | 1714      |
|           | MILP    | 1461    | 1574      |

4.3. Experiment 3

In this experiment, we want to demonstrate how the Fundamental Theorem can be combined with the numerical algorithms developed in order to detect arbitrage opportunities in the financial market. We consider the case where the no-arbitrage assumption (i.e. Assumption 2.1) does not hold and use Algorithm 2 to detect the presence of arbitrage opportunities in the market. We can actually detect a very delicate form of arbitrage, since we consider a financial market with several single-asset options and two multi-asset options; the multi-asset options are priced within their own no-arbitrage intervals, i.e. when considered separately from each, there is no arbitrage in the market. However, when they are considered together an arbitrage opportunity arises and this is detected by the numerical algorithm. This experiment is inspired by similar examples in Tavin (2015 Section 4) and Papapantoleon and Yanez Sarmiento (2020 Section 5.2); in their setting, the marginals of the pricing measure are given.

We consider Setting 2 (i.e. Assumption 3.6) where $\Omega = [0,100]^5$, and consider the 5 assets $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$ and vanilla call options on the 5 assets with strikes 1, 2, ..., 10 as the traded financial derivatives. In addition, we include a call-on-min option on the five assets with strike 1 and a put-on-min option on the five assets with strike 4. The bid and ask prices of the single-asset derivatives are synthetically generated using the method specified at the beginning of Section 4.

We set the bid and ask prices of the call-on-min option as 0.83 and 0.85, respectively. As for the put-on-min option, we set its bid and ask prices as 3.18 and 3.20, respectively. Subsequently, we let $f = 0$ and run Algorithm 2 with $\varepsilon = 0.001$, $\tau = 1$, $\gamma = 0.1$, $\zeta = 0.8$, $\delta = 0.7$, $\varphi = 100$, $\Phi = 100 \cdot 1$, $\phi = \bar{\phi} = 0$. When only the call-on-min option is considered as traded multi-asset option, Algorithm 2 terminates without reaching Line 34 and the outputs satisfy $\phi(f)_{LB} > -0.001$, $\phi(f)_{UB} = 0$. Similarly, when only the put-on-min option is considered as traded multi-asset option, Algorithm 2 terminates without reaching Line 34 and the outputs again satisfy $\phi(f)_{LB} > -0.001$, $\phi(f)_{UB} = 0$. These numerical results imply that there is no arbitrage opportunity in the market with the single-asset derivatives and the call-on-min option, as well as in the market with the single-asset derivatives and the put-on-min option. However, when the single-asset derivatives together with both the call-on-min option and the put-on-min option are considered as traded options, Algorithm 2 reaches Line 34 before termination, indicating the violation of Assumption 2.1 and the presence of
an arbitrage opportunity, as stated by Theorem 3.7(iv). The detected arbitrage strategy is given by $c^*$ and $y^*$, which specify a portfolio with non-negative payoff such that $c^* + \pi(y) < 0$.

In Experiment 4 (see Section 4.4), a similar procedure for detecting arbitrage opportunities using Algorithm 1 is applied to Setting 1 (i.e. Assumption 3.2) where bid and ask prices of traded derivatives are obtained from real market data. This demonstrates the real-world applicability of the proposed algorithms for arbitrage detection.

### 4.4. Experiment 4

In this experiment, we use real market prices of European call and put options written on the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) index as well as European call and put options written on the 30 constituent stocks of the DJIA index. This type of market data has been considered by Hobson et al. (2005b), d’Aspremont and El Ghaoui (2006), and Peña et al. (2010b, 2012) for illustrations.

#### Data collection

The following market prices (corresponding to the closing prices on April 5, 2021 at 16:00 EDT) were collected from MarketWatch on April 6, 2021.

- The prices of the 30 constituent stocks of the DJIA.
- The bid and ask prices of the call and put options written on the 30 constituent stocks of the DJIA with expiration date May 21, 2021.
- The bid and ask prices of the call and put options written on the SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF Trust (symbol: DIA), which is an exchange traded fund (ETF) that tracks the DJIA index. These DIA options are regarded as basket options written on the 30 constituent stocks with equal weights $w_{DIA} := 0.0658$. The weight $w_{DIA}$ is equal to $\frac{1}{100}$ of the inverse of the Dow divisor calculated based on the stock prices on April 5, 2021.

**Remark 4.1.** Even though Experiments 1 and 2 have demonstrated that one should gather the market prices of as many derivatives as possible in order to obtain tight price bounds, exotic options such as, e.g., spread options, call-on-max options, and call-on-min options are usually only traded in over-the-counter (OTC) markets. Therefore, the prices of these exotic options are not publicly available and we are thus unable to collect real market data of this type.

#### Data preprocessing

We apply a procedure using Algorithm 1 to detect whether arbitrage opportunities are present with the bid and ask prices of call and put options written on each of the stocks and on DIA, similar to Experiment 3. We found that the prices of DIA options are arbitrage-free, while arbitrage opportunities are present among the prices of options written on 5 of the 30 underlying stocks. Before proceeding to the next step of the experiment, we adjust the

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7 [http://marketwatch.com](http://marketwatch.com)  
8 See e.g. [https://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/dowdivisor.asp](https://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/dowdivisor.asp) accessed: April 30, 2021.
bid and ask prices slightly to remove these arbitrage opportunities. In this process, the \( l_1 \)-norm of the price adjustment is minimized to encourage sparsity in the same spirit as Cohen et al. (2020). We refer the reader to Section EC.3.3 in the online appendices for details of this arbitrage removal process. After this process, 27 out of the 4304 prices have been adjusted and the largest change (in absolute value) is \( 0.38 \). This shows that only very few options were mis-priced and the market was close to being arbitrage-free.

**Experimental setting** We consider Setting 1 (i.e. Assumption 3.2) and let \( \Omega = \mathbb{R}_+^{30} \). We rank the 30 constituent stocks of the DJIA index based on the market capitalization of the respective companies, i.e., in \( (x_1, \ldots, x_{30})^T \in \Omega \), \( x_1 \) corresponds to the stock price of the company with the highest market capitalization, and \( x_{30} \) corresponds to the stock price of the company with the lowest market capitalization. Our goal is to use Algorithm 1 to compute the model-free lower and upper price bounds of two basket call options with the following payoff functions:

\[
\begin{align*}
    f_1(x) &= \left[ \sum_{i=6}^{30} w_{DIA} x_i \right]^+ - \kappa, \\
    f_2(x) &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{10} 1.2 w_{DIA} x_i + \sum_{i=11}^{20} w_{DIA} x_i + \sum_{i=21}^{30} 0.8 w_{DIA} x_i \right]^+ - \kappa,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( \kappa \) is the strike price that is varied in this experiment. Therefore, \( f_1 \) is the payoff of a basket call option written on DIA with the five largest companies in terms of market capitalization excluded (i.e. a basket option written on a subset of the 30 constituent stocks of the DJIA index). \( f_2 \) is the payoff of a basket call option written on a weight-adjusted version of DIA, where the weights of the ten largest companies are increased by 20% and the weights of the ten smallest companies are decreased by 20%.

After preprocessing, we are left with the following 2152 traded financial derivatives (\( m = 2152 \)):

- 980 vanilla call options and 980 vanilla put options written on the 30 stocks.
- 96 basket call options and 96 basket put options written on DIA.

We consider four different cases when computing the model-free lower and upper bounds. In the first three cases, denoted by \( V(25\%) \), \( V(50\%) \), and \( V(100\%) \), we randomly select 25%, 50%, and 100% of the vanilla options, respectively. In the fourth case, denoted by \( V(100\%)+B \), we use all vanilla and basket options. The inputs of the ECP algorithm for this experiment are similar to those in Experiment 1.

**Experimental results** Figure 3 shows the computed model-free upper and lower price bounds of the two basket call options with payoff functions \( f_1 \) and \( f_2 \) defined in (4.1). When pricing the first basket call option \( f_1 \), the results from the first three cases show that when more vanilla
options are considered, the uncertainty about the marginals of the pricing measure decreases and the model-free upper and lower price bounds are improved, where the improvements of the upper bounds are much more noticeable compared to the lower bounds. In Case $V(100\%) + B$, when other basket options are considered in addition to the vanilla options, the upper price bounds are further improved for large strikes, and the lower price bounds are improved substantially, especially for strikes between $260$ and $280$. Compared to Case $V(100\%)$, the inclusion of basket options results in a maximum reduction of $5.59$ in the no-arbitrage gap when the strike is $275$, which reduces the gap by $54.7\%$. The results when pricing the second basket call option $f_2$ are in line with the results from pricing $f_1$, and the improvements of the upper and lower price bounds in Case $V(100\%) + B$ are more significant across all strikes. Compared to Case $V(100\%)$, the inclusion of basket options results in a maximum reduction of $9.79$ in the no-arbitrage gap when the strike is $338$, which corresponds to a reduction of $79.4\%$. We conclude from these observations that when pricing a derivative using real market data, the inclusion of more traded derivatives in the sub- and super-replicating portfolios, especially derivatives whose payoff structures are similar to the target derivative, can produce substantial improvements to the arbitrage-free price bounds, and that the proposed algorithms are applicable to real market data.

Appendix A: Proofs of the main results

A.1. Proof of Theorem 3.4

Proof of Theorem 3.4

By the assumption about $\phi$ in Remark EC.2.10, there exist $c_0$ and $y_0$ such that $c_0 + \langle y_0, g \rangle \geq -f$ and $\phi = -c_0 - \pi(y_0)$. For any $c$ and $y$ such that $c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f$, it holds that $c_0 + c + \langle y_0 + y, g \rangle \geq 0$ and thus $\langle y_0 + y, g \rangle - \pi(y_0 + y) \geq -c_0 - c - \pi(y_0 + y)$. By Assumption 2.1, $-c_0 - c - \pi(y_0 + y) \leq 0$, and so $-c_0 - c \leq \pi(y_0 + y) - \pi(y_0) \leq \pi(y_0) + \pi(y)$, thus $\phi = -c_0 - \pi(y_0) \leq c + \pi(y)$. This implies that $\phi \leq \phi(f)$. Let $(\hat{c}, \hat{y}^+, \hat{y}^-)$ be an optimizer of (3.1), which exists due to Theorem 2.4(ii). We have $\hat{c} + \pi(\hat{y}^+ - \hat{y}^-) = \phi(f) > \phi - \tau$. Let $\sigma^{(r)}$ denote the system of linear inequalities $\sigma$ at iteration $r$. Proposition EC.2.6 states...
that \(\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} s_y(x) > -\infty\) if and only if \(y \in \mathbb{R}^m\) satisfies all constraints in \(\bar{\sigma}\). It hence holds by Line 2 that \((\widehat{c}, \widehat{y}^+, \widehat{y}^-)\) satisfies all constraints in \(\sigma^{(r)}\) for all \(r\). Consequently, we have

\[
\varphi^{(r)} = \inf_{(c, y^+, y^-)} \{ c + \pi(y^+ - y^-) \} \leq \widehat{c} + \pi(\widehat{y}^+ - \widehat{y}^-) = \phi(f).
\] (A.1)

\(\varphi^{(r)}\) is non-decreasing in \(r\) because more constraints are added to \(\sigma\). Moreover, by Proposition [EC.2.4](iv) and the assumption on \(\pi\), for any \(y \in \mathbb{R}^m\) that satisfies all constraints in \(\bar{\sigma}\), it holds that \(\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} s_y(x) = \inf_{0 \leq x \leq x} s_y(x)\). By Definition [3.3] for all \(r\) and for any \(x \in \Omega\),

\[
c^{(r)} - s^{(r)} + \langle y^{(r)}, g(x) \rangle - f(x) = c^{(r)} - c^{(r-1)} - \inf_{0 \leq x' \leq x} \{ s_{y^{(r)}}(x') \} + \langle y^{(r)}, g(x) \rangle - f(x) = (y^{(r)}, g(x)) - f(x) - \inf_{x' \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} \{ s_{y^{(r)}}(x') \}
\]

\[
= (y^{(r)}, g(x)) - f(x) - \inf_{x' \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} \{ s_{y^{(r)}}(x') \} \geq 0,
\] (A.2)

and thus by Line 8, \(\varphi^{(r)} - s^{(r)} = c^{(r)} - s^{(r-1)} + \pi(y^{(r)}) \geq \phi(f)\). This and (A.1) also show that \(s^{(r)} \leq 0\). We have proved statement (i).

If Algorithm [1] terminates, then by (A.2), it holds for all \(x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d\) that \(c^* + \langle y^*, g(x) \rangle - f(x) = c^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)} + \langle y^{(r-1)}, g(x) \rangle - f(x) \geq 0\). Therefore, \((c^*, y^*)\) is feasible for (2.2) and \(\phi(f)^{\text{LB}} \leq \phi(f) \leq \phi(f)^{\text{UB}}\) follows directly from statement (i). We have \(s^{(r-1)} \geq -\varepsilon\) at termination, and thus \(\phi(f)^{\text{UB}} - \phi(f)^{\text{LB}} \leq \varepsilon\) and \((c^*, y^*)\) is \(\varepsilon\)-optimal. We now show that Algorithm [1] terminates. Proposition [EC.2.4](iv) states that there exists a partition \(\mathcal{C}\) of \(\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x} \}\), such that each \(C \in \mathcal{C}\) is a polytope, \(\bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{C}} C = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x} \}\), and that for all \(y \in \mathbb{R}^m\), \(s_y(\cdot)\) is an affine function when restricted to each \(C \in \mathcal{C}\). Let \(\mathcal{F} \setminus \mathcal{G} := \{ F \neq \emptyset \text{ is a face of some } C \in \mathcal{C} \}\). By Theorem 18.2 of [Rockafellar, 1970],

\[
\bigcup_{F \in \mathcal{G}} \text{relint}(F) = \bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{C}} C = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x} \}.
\] (A.3)

Moreover, by Theorem 19.1 of [Rockafellar, 1970], \(|\mathcal{G}| < \infty\). Let \(x^{(r)}\) be a minimizer of the MILP problem in Line 11 that is, \(c^{(r)} + s_{y^{(r)}}(x^{(r)}) = s^{(r)}\). We prove that either Algorithm [1] terminates, or for each \(F \in \mathcal{G}\), there exists at most one \(r \in \mathbb{N}\) such that \(x^{(r)} \in \text{relint}(F)\). Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that Algorithm [1] terminates, and that there exists \(r, l \in \mathbb{N}, r < l\), and \(x^{(r)}, x^{(l)} \in \text{relint}(F)\) for some \(F \in \mathcal{G}\). Since \(x^{(r)} \in X^{(r)}\), we have \(c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(r)}) \geq 0\) by Line 7. We also have \(c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(l)}) = s^{(l)} < 0\), since otherwise Algorithm [1] will terminate at the \(l\)-th iteration. For every \(\lambda \in \mathbb{R}\), let \(x_\lambda := (1 - \lambda)x^{(r)} + \lambda x^{(l)}\). Since \(x^{(r)}, x^{(l)} \in \text{relint}(F)\), there exists \(\hat{\lambda} > 1\) such that \(x_{\hat{\lambda}} \in F \subset C\). Since \(c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(\cdot)\) is an affine function when restricted to the set \(C\), we have by \(c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(r)}) \geq 0\) and \(c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(l)}) < 0\) that

\[
c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(r)}) = (1 - \hat{\lambda}) \left( c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(r)}) \right) + \hat{\lambda} \left( c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(l)}) \right) \leq \hat{\lambda} \left( c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(l)}) \right) < c^{(l)} + s_{y^{(l)}}(x^{(l)}),
\]

A convex subset \(C'\) of a convex set \(C \subset \mathbb{R}^d\) is called a face of \(C\) if for all \(\lambda \in (0, 1)\) and \(x_1, x_2 \in C\), \(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2 \in C'\) implies that \(x_1 \in C', x_2 \in C'\), see [Rockafellar, 1970, Section 18].
contradicting the fact that $x^{(i)}$ is a minimizer of the MILP problem in Line 11. Since for each $r$, $x^{(r)} \in \text{relint}(F)$ for some $F \subset \mathfrak{F}$ as a consequence of (A.3), and since $|\mathfrak{F}| < \infty$, Algorithm 1 terminates eventually.

The proof of statement (ii) is now complete.

Finally, if Line 16 of Algorithm 1 is reached, then $\phi > \phi^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)}$. By (A.4), $c^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)} + \langle y^{(r-1)}, g \rangle \geq f$. By the assumption about $\phi$ in Remark EC.2.10 there exist $c_0$ and $y_0$ such that $c_0 + \langle y_0, g \rangle \geq -f$ and $\phi = -c_0 - \pi(y_0)$. Hence, we have $c_0 + c^{(r-1)} - s^{(r-1)} + \langle y_0 + y^{(r-1)}, g \rangle \geq 0$, and thus

$$\langle y_0 + y^{(r-1)}, g \rangle - \pi(y_0 + y^{(r-1)}) \geq -c_0 - c^{(r-1)} + s^{(r-1)} - \pi(y_0 + y^{(r-1)}) \geq -c_0 - \pi(y_0) - c^{(r-1)} + s^{(r-1)} - \pi(y^{(r-1)}) = \phi - \phi^{(r-1)} + s^{(r-1)} > 0,$$

which is a violation of Assumption 2.1. The proof is now complete.

A.2. Proofs of Theorem 3.7 and Corollary 3.8

Proof of Theorem 3.7 If Assumption 2.1 holds, then by the same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.4(ii), $\phi \leq \phi(f)$. Hence, $\varphi^{(0)} \leq \phi(f) \leq \varphi^{(0)}$ and $c^{(0)} + \langle y^{(0)}, g \rangle \geq f$ follow from our assumptions. For $r \geq 1$, suppose that $\varphi^{(r-1)} \leq \phi(f)$. Then, $\varphi^{(r)} \neq \varphi^{(r-1)}$ only when Line 10 is reached. This implies that $\sigma(\tau, y, c^{(r-1)}, \varphi^{(r)}, X) = \emptyset$. By the assumption in Remark EC.2.13 there exists an optimizer $(\hat{c}, \hat{y}^+, \hat{y}^-)$ of (3.1) that satisfies $|c| \leq \tau - 1$, $0 \leq \hat{y}^+ \leq \bar{y} - 1$, $0 \leq \hat{y}^- \leq \underline{y} - 1$. In particular, $\hat{c} + (\hat{y}^+ - \hat{y}^-, g(x)) \geq f(x)$ for all $x \in X$ and

$$\hat{c} + \langle \hat{y}^+, \pi \rangle - \langle \hat{y}^-, \pi \rangle = \hat{c} + \pi(\hat{y}) = \phi(f).$$

(A.4)

By (A.4) and by the assumption that $\varphi^{(r-1)} \leq \phi(f)$, it holds that $\sigma(\tau, y, c^{(r)}, \varphi^{(r)}, X) = \emptyset$ implies $\phi^{(r)} < \phi(f)$. Therefore, $\phi^{(r)} < \varphi^{(r)} < \varphi^{(r-1)}$. Since $(\hat{c}, \hat{y}^+, \hat{y}^-)$ also satisfies all constraints in the LP problem in Line 10, we have, again by (A.4), that $\varphi^{(r)} \leq \phi(f)$. By induction, we have proved that $\varphi^{(r)}$ is non-decreasing in $r$ and $\varphi^{(r)} \leq \phi(f)$ for all $r$.

For $r \geq 1$, $\varphi^{(r)} \neq \varphi^{(r-1)}$, $c^{(r)} \neq c^{(r-1)}$, or $y^{(r)} \neq y^{(r-1)}$ only if Line 20 is reached. By Line 19 and Line 20, $\tau^{(r)} < \tau^{(r-1)}$. By the same reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 3.4(i) in equation (A.2), we have $c^{(r)} + \langle y^{(r)}, g \rangle \geq f$ and $\tau^{(r)} \geq \phi(f)$. We have thus proved statement (i).

If Assumption 2.1 holds and Algorithm 2 terminates, then $\phi(f)_{\text{LB}} \leq \phi(f) \leq \phi(f)_{\text{UB}}$ and the feasibility and $\varepsilon$-optimality of $(c^*, y^*)$ follow directly from statement (i) and Line 3. Thus, we only need to show that Algorithm 2 terminates. Notice that the Strong Slater Condition in Theorem 1 of Betro (2004) holds because one may take $(\hat{c}, \hat{y}^+, \hat{y}^-)$ defined earlier and choose any $0 < \eta < 1$. Subsequently, one checks that

$$|\hat{c} + \eta| \leq \tau - \eta,$$

$$\eta 1 \leq \hat{y}^+ + \eta 1 \leq \bar{y} - \eta 1,$$

$$\eta 1 \leq \hat{y}^- + \eta 1 \leq \underline{y} - \eta 1,$$

$$\pi(\hat{c} + \eta) + \langle (\hat{y}^+ + \eta 1) - (\hat{y}^- + \eta 1), g \rangle \geq f + \eta.$$

Thus, $(\hat{c} + \eta, \hat{y}^+ + \eta 1, \hat{y}^- + \eta 1)$ satisfies the Strong Slater Condition. Moreover, under Assumption 3.6 $\sup_{x \in \Omega} \|g(x)\| < \infty$. Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that Algorithm 2 loops infinitely and does not terminate. Then, one can deduce that after finitely many iterations, Line 10 is never reached, since each time
Line $[10]$ is reached, $\sum_{r} - \sum_{r} \leq \frac{3}{4}(\sum_{r-1} - \sum_{r-1})$ by Line $[4]$ and Line $[6]$. Similarly, Line $[20]$ is never reached again after finitely many iterations since each time Line $[20]$ is reached, $\sum_{r} - \sum_{r} \leq \sum_{r-1} - \sum_{r-1} - \varepsilon$. The rest of the proof of statement (ii) follows exactly as the proof of Theorem 1 in [Bétró (2004)].

For statement (iii), notice that since $\sum_{r} = \phi - \tau \leq \phi(f) - \tau < \phi(f)^{LB}$, Line $[10]$ is reached at least once before termination. Thus, $c^{*}$ and $y^{*}$ are defined. Let $y^{+\tau}$ and $y^{-\tau}$ be defined in Line $[10]$ Then, by Line $[10]$ $(c^{*}, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau})$ is an optimal solution of the LP problem:

$$\begin{align*}
\text{minimize} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau}, \pi \rangle - \langle y^{-\tau}, \pi \rangle \\
\text{subject to} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau} - y^{-\tau}, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X^{t}, \quad (A.5) \\
& \quad -\bar{c} \leq c \leq \bar{c}, \ 0 \leq y^{+\tau} \leq \bar{y}, \ 0 \leq y^{-\tau} \leq \bar{y}.
\end{align*}$$

Thus, since $\sum_{r}$ is updated whenever $(c^{*}, y^{*})$ are updated, we have $\phi(f)^{LB} = c^{*} + \langle y^{+\tau}, \pi \rangle - \langle y^{-\tau}, \pi \rangle$, and $c^{*} + \langle y^{+\tau} - y^{-\tau}, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x)$ for all $x \in X^{t}$. Let $B := \{(c, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau}) : -\bar{c} \leq c \leq \bar{c}, \ 0 \leq y^{+\tau} \leq \bar{y}, \ 0 \leq y^{-\tau} \leq \bar{y} \} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2m+1}$. By the assumption of statement (iii), $-\bar{c} < c^{*} < \bar{c}$, $0 \leq y^{+\tau} < \bar{y}$, $0 \leq y^{-\tau} < \bar{y}$, and we claim that $(c^{*}, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau})$ is also optimal for the following LP problem:

$$\begin{align*}
\text{minimize} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau}, \pi \rangle - \langle y^{-\tau}, \pi \rangle \\
\text{subject to} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau} - y^{-\tau}, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X^{t}, \quad (A.6) \\
& \quad y^{+\tau} \geq 0, \ y^{-\tau} \geq 0.
\end{align*}$$

Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that $(A.6)$ has optimal solution $(\tilde{c}, \tilde{y}^{+\tau}, \tilde{y}^{-\tau})$ with $\kappa := \tilde{c} + \langle \tilde{y}^{+\tau}, \pi \rangle - \langle \tilde{y}^{-\tau}, \pi \rangle < \phi(f)^{LB}$. Then, since $\phi(f)^{LB}$ is the optimal value of $(A.5)$, we have $(\tilde{c}, \tilde{y}^{+\tau}, \tilde{y}^{-\tau}) \notin B$, $\tilde{y}^{+\tau} \geq 0$, $\tilde{y}^{-\tau} \geq 0$. Let $c_{\lambda} := \lambda c^{*} + (1 - \lambda)\bar{c}$, $y^{+\tau}_{\lambda} := \lambda y^{+\tau} + (1 - \lambda)\bar{y}^{+\tau}$, $y^{-\tau}_{\lambda} := (1 - \lambda)\bar{y}^{+\tau}$. Then, there exists some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, such that $(c_{\lambda}, y^{+\tau}_{\lambda}, y^{-\tau}_{\lambda}) = \lambda(c^{*}, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau}) + (1 - \lambda)(\bar{c}, \bar{y}^{+\tau}, \bar{y}^{-\tau}) \in B$, $c_{\lambda} + \langle y^{+\tau}_{\lambda} - y^{-\tau}_{\lambda}, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x)$ for all $x \in X^{t}$, and $c_{\lambda} + \langle y^{+\tau}_{\lambda}, \pi \rangle - \langle y^{-\tau}_{\lambda}, \pi \rangle = \lambda \phi(f)^{LB} + (1 - \lambda)\kappa < \phi(f)^{LB}$, contradicting the optimality of $(c^{*}, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau})$ for $(A.6)$. Therefore, $(c^{*}, y^{+\tau}, y^{-\tau})$ is also optimal for $(A.6)$, whose corresponding dual LP problem is exactly $(3.4)$. Then, an optimal solution $(\mu_{x}^{\ast})_{x \in X^{t}}$ of $(3.4)$ exists, its corresponding finitely supported measure $\mu^{\ast}$ is a probability measure which satisfies $\pi_{j} \leq \int_{X} g_{j} d\mu^{\ast} \leq \pi_{j}$ for $j = 1, \ldots, m$, and thus $\mu^{\ast} \in Q$. Moreover, due to the strong duality of LP problems, $\int_{X} f \, d\mu^{\ast} = \phi(f)^{LB} \geq \phi(f) - \varepsilon$ by statement (ii), and $\mu^{\ast}$ is $\varepsilon$-optimal for the right-hand side of $(2.3)$ by Theorem 2.4 (iii). We have completed the proof of statement (iii).

The proof of statement (iv) is exactly the same as the proof of Theorem 3.4 (iii). The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Corollary 3.8** The proof that Algorithm 1 terminates is identical to the proof of Theorem 3.4 (ii). Hence, as in Theorem 3.4 (ii), we have $\phi(f)^{LB} \geq \phi(f) - \varepsilon$. Since Line 1 is not used, and that $\phi(f)^{LB} \geq \phi - \varepsilon > \phi - \tau$, we have that $\phi(f)^{LB}$ is the optimal value of the following LP problem:

$$\begin{align*}
\text{minimize} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau}, \pi \rangle - \langle y^{-\tau}, \pi \rangle \\
\text{subject to} & \quad c + \langle y^{+\tau} - y^{-\tau}, g(x) \rangle \geq f(x) \quad \forall x \in X = \bigcup_{i=0}^{r-1} X^{(i)},
\end{align*}$$

whose dual LP problem is exactly $(3.5)$. Consequently, by the argument in the proof of Theorem 3.7 (iii), $\int_{X} f \, d\mu^{\ast} = \phi(f)^{LB} \geq \phi(f) - \varepsilon$, and $\mu^{\ast}$ is $\varepsilon$-optimal for the right-hand side of $(2.3)$ by Theorem 2.4 (iii).
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Appendix EC.1: Additional remarks about the duality result

Remark EC.1.1. Theorem 2.4 is similar in spirit to the multi-marginal optimal transport problem, possibly under additional constraints, see e.g. Kellerer (1984), Rachev and Rüschendorf (1994), Zaev (2015), and Bartl et al. (2017). However, in contrast to these articles, we do not assume that the marginals are known and fixed. Moreover, notice the subtle differences in the attainment of supremum and infimum. In Theorem 2.4, the infimum in (2.2) corresponding to the super-replication portfolio is attained, whereas the supremum on the right-hand side of (2.3) corresponding to the “worst-case” probability measure is not necessarily attained. In the multi-marginal optimal transport problem, the supremum corresponding to the “worst-case” probability measure (or optimal coupling of the marginals) is attained due to compactness, which holds when the marginals of the pricing measure are fixed.

The following example demonstrates that the supremum on the right-hand side of (2.3) is not necessarily attained.

Example EC.1.2. Let \( \Omega = \mathbb{R}_+ \), \( m = 1 \), and, for \( x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \), set:

\[
g_1(x) = x, \quad f(x) = \max\{x - 1, 0\}, \quad \pi_1 = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{\pi}_1 = 1.
\]

Clearly,

\[
c + y_1 g_1(x) - f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \iff c + y_1 x - \max\{x - 1, 0\} \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \iff c \geq 0, y_1 \geq 1.
\]

In the case where \( c = 0, y_1 = 1 \), \( c + y_1 g_1(x) - f(x) \geq 0 \ \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \) holds, and we have that \( c^* = 0, y_1^* = 1 \) is an optimizer of (2.2). Thus \( \phi(f) = c^* + y_1^* \overline{\pi}_1 = 1 \). On the other hand, if \( \mu \) is a probability measure on \( \mathbb{R}_+ \), \( \overline{\pi}_1 \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} g_1 d\mu \leq \overline{\pi}_1 \), and \( \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f d\mu = 1 \), then

\[
\int_{\mathbb{R}_+} \min\{x, 1\} d\mu = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} (g_1 - f) d\mu = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} g_1 d\mu - \int_{\mathbb{R}_+} f d\mu \leq \overline{\pi}_1 - 1 = 0.
\]

Since \( \min\{x, 1\} > 0 \) for \( x > 0 \), it is implied that \( \mu((0, +\infty)) = 0 \), which is impossible. Hence, \( \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu \) is not attained.

The following proposition presents a specific setting in which Assumption 2.1 holds, and its proof can be found in Section EC.4.

Proposition EC.1.3. Let \( \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \) for some \( d \in \mathbb{N} \), \( g_1, \ldots, g_m \) be continuous functions on \( \Omega \), and assume there exists \( \hat{\mu} \in \mathcal{Q} \) such that \( \hat{\mu} \) is equivalent to the Lebesgue measure on \( \Omega \). Then, Assumption 2.1 holds.
Appendix EC.2: Additional notes about the numerical methods

EC.2.1. Notes about CPWA functions

Example EC.2.1. Many popular payoff functions in finance belong to the class of CPWA functions. The list below contains those payoff functions used in the present work, alongside their CPWA representation.

(i) Setting $K = 1, \xi_1 = 1, I_1 = 2, a_{1,1} = e_i, a_{1,2} = 0$ and $b_{1,1} = -\kappa, b_{1,2} = 0$, we get the payoff of a call option on the $i$-th asset with strike $\kappa$, via

$$h(x) = \max\{x_i - \kappa, 0\} = (x_i - \kappa)^+.$$  

(ii) Using the previous setting and replacing $a_{1,1}$ with $a_{1,1} = w = (w_1, \ldots, w_d)^T \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$, we get the payoff of a basket call option on the $d$ assets with weights $w$ and strike $\kappa$, via

$$h(x) = \max\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i - \kappa, 0 \right\} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i - \kappa \right)^+.$$  

(iii) Using the previous setting, and replacing $a_{1,1}$ with $a_{1,1} = \sum_{i \in I} e_i - \sum_{j \in I'} e_j$, for $I, I' \subset \{1, \ldots, d\}$ and $I \cap I' = \emptyset$, we get the payoff of a spread call option with strike $\kappa$, via

$$h(x) = \max\left\{ \sum_{i \in I} x_i - \sum_{j \in I'} x_j - \kappa, 0 \right\} = \left( \sum_{i \in I} x_i - \sum_{j \in I'} x_j - \kappa \right)^+. $$  

(iv) Setting $K = 1, \xi_1 = 1, I_1 = d + 1, a_{1,i} = e_i, b_{1,i} = -\kappa$ for all $i \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$, $a_{1,d+1} = 0$ and $b_{1,d+1} = 0$, we get the payoff of a call-on-max option on the $d$ assets with strike $\kappa$, via

$$h(x) = \max\{x_1 - \kappa, \ldots, x_d - \kappa, 0\} = \max\{\max\{x_1, \ldots, x_d\} - \kappa, 0\}$$

$$= (x_1 \lor \cdots \lor x_d - \kappa)^+.$$  

(v) Setting $K = 1, \xi_1 = 1, \xi_2 = -1, I_1 = d + 1, I_2 = d, a_{1,i} = a_{2,i} = -e_i, b_{1,i} = b_{2,i} = \kappa$ for all $i \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$, and $a_{1,d+1} = 0, b_{1,d+1} = 0$, we get the payoff of a call-on-min option on the $d$ assets with strike $\kappa$, via

$$h(x) = \max\{\kappa - x_1, \ldots, \kappa - x_d, 0\} - \max\{\kappa - x_1, \ldots, \kappa - x_d\}$$

$$= \max\{\min\{\kappa - x_1, \ldots, \kappa - x_d\}, 0\}$$

$$= (x_1 \land \cdots \land x_d - \kappa)^+.$$  

(vi) Finally, setting $K = 1, \xi_1 = 1, I_1 = d + 1, a_{1,i} = e_i, b_{1,i} = -\kappa$ for all $i \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$, and $a_{1,d+1} = 0, b_{1,d+1} = 0$, we get the payoff of a best-of-call option on the $d$ assets with strikes $\kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_d$, via

$$h(x) = \max\{x_1 - \kappa_1, \ldots, x_d - \kappa_d, 0\}$$

$$= \max\{(x_1 - \kappa_1)^+, \ldots, (x_d - \kappa_d)^+\}$$

$$= (x_1 - \kappa_1)^+ \lor (x_2 - \kappa_2)^+ \lor \cdots \lor (x_d - \kappa_d)^+.$$
Let us point out that these representations are not unique. Moreover, by replacing the vectors \( e_i \) or \(-e_i\) with suitable vectors in examples (iii), (iv), (v), and (vi) above, one can create weighted versions of the aforementioned payoffs. These can be interpreted as options written on a number of indices.

The following properties of CPWA functions can be deduced from Definition 3.1.

**Lemma EC.2.2.** The following are properties of CPWA functions.

(i) A finite linear combination of CPWA functions is again a CPWA function;

(ii) If \( h : \mathbb{R}^d_+ \to \mathbb{R} \) is a CPWA function, then it admits the following local representation:

\[
    h(x) = \begin{cases} 
        (a_1, x) + b_1, & \text{if } x \in \Omega_1, \\
        \vdots & \vdots \\
        (a_J, x) + b_J, & \text{if } x \in \Omega_J,
    \end{cases} \tag{EC.2.1}
\]

where for \( j = 1, \ldots, J \), \( a_j \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( b_j \in \mathbb{R} \), \( \Omega_j \) is a polyhedron, and \( \bigcup_{j=1}^J \Omega_j = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). In addition, for \( j \neq j' \), \( \text{int}(\Omega_j) \cap \text{int}(\Omega_{j'}) = \emptyset \). If \( x \in \Omega_j \cap \Omega_{j'} \), then \( (a_j, x) + b_j = (a_{j'}, x) + b_{j'} \), and thus the above function is well-defined.

(iii) In the local representation (EC.2.1), it can be assumed without loss of generality that \( \text{int}(\Omega_j) \neq \emptyset \) for \( j = 1, \ldots, J \).

**Proof of Lemma EC.2.2** See Section EC.5.

The following proposition establishes the connection between the lower-boundedness of a CPWA function and the non-negativity of its associated radial function.

**Proposition EC.2.3.** Let \( h : \mathbb{R}^d_+ \to \mathbb{R} \) be a CPWA function, and let \( \tilde{h} : \mathbb{R}^d_+ \to \mathbb{R} \) be its radial function. Then,

(i) \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) > -\infty \) if and only if \( \tilde{h}(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \);

(ii) if \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) > -\infty \), there exists \( x^* \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) such that \( h(x^*) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) \).

**Proof of Proposition EC.2.3** See Section EC.5.

**EC.2.2. Notes about the exterior cutting plane (ECP) algorithm**

A crucial step in the ECP algorithm (Algorithm 1) is to minimize the slack function \( s_y(x) \) over \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). In order to do so, one needs to first guarantee that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(x) > -\infty \). Proposition EC.2.4 below shows that this is equivalent to guaranteeing that the slack function \( \tilde{s}_y(\cdot) \) of \( s_y(\cdot) \) satisfies \( \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Moreover, Proposition EC.2.4 states that, in order to minimize \( s_y(x) \) over \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), one only needs to minimize over a compact set \( \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ : 0 \leq x \leq \Xi \} \) for some \( \Xi > 0 \).

\[^{10} x = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)^\top > 0 \iff x_1 > 0, \ldots, x_d > 0.\]
Proposition EC.2.4. Under Assumption [3,2] the following statements hold.

(i) For any fixed \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \), the slack function \( s_y : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R} \) is a CPWA function. For any fixed \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), \( s_y(x) \) is linear when regarded as a function of \( y \). In particular, \( s_y(x) \geq -c \) corresponds to a linear inequality constraint on \((c,y)\) for every fixed \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \).

(ii) There exist \( K \in \mathbb{N} \), \( w_k \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( z_k \in \mathbb{R} \), \( I_k \in \mathbb{N} \) for \( k = 1, \ldots, K \), \( a_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( b_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R} \), \( i = 1, \ldots, I_k, k = 1, \ldots, K \), such that

\[
\mathbb{y} = \sum_{k=1}^K \langle y_k, w_k \rangle + z_k \max \left\{ \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \right\}.
\]

Let the radial function of \( s_y \) be denoted by \( \bar{s}_y \). There exist \( \bar{K} \in \mathbb{N} \), \( \bar{w}_k \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( \bar{z}_k \in \mathbb{R} \), \( \bar{I}_k \in \mathbb{N} \) for \( k = 1, \ldots, \bar{K} \), \( \bar{a}_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( \bar{I}_k = 1, \ldots, \bar{K} \), such that

\[
\bar{s}_y(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\bar{K}} \langle y_k, \bar{w}_k \rangle + \bar{z}_k \max \left\{ \langle \bar{a}_{k,i}, z \rangle : 1 \leq i \leq \bar{I}_k \right\}.
\]

(iii) The slack function \( s_y(x) \) is bounded from below as a function of \( x \) if and only if \( \bar{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Moreover, in this case \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(x) \) is attained at some \( x^* \).

(iv) There exists \( \mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^d \) with \( \mathcal{X} > 0 \) such that for every \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) that satisfies \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(x) > -\infty \), it holds that \( \inf_{0 \leq x \leq \mathcal{X}} s_y(x) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(x) \). Moreover, there exists a collection \( \mathcal{C} \) of polytopes such that \( \bigcup_{C \in \mathcal{C}} C = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \mathcal{X} \} \) and that for every \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \), \( s_y(\cdot) \) is an affine function when restricted to each \( C \in \mathcal{C} \).

Proof of Proposition EC.2.4. See Section EC.5.

The next proposition translates the condition: \( \bar{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) into sufficient and necessary linear constraints \( (\text{EC.2.4}) \) on \( y \) with auxiliary variables.

Proposition EC.2.5. Let \( \bar{s}_y(z) \) be given by \( (\text{EC.2.3}) \). Let \( \mathcal{I} = \{(i_k)_{k=1}\bar{K} : 1 \leq i_k \leq \bar{I}_k, k = 1, \ldots, \bar{K}\} \). For \((i_k) \in \mathcal{I}\), define \( A_{(i_k)} := \left\{ \bar{a}_{k,i} - \bar{a}_{k,j} : i \in \{1, \ldots, \bar{I}_k\} \backslash \{i_k\}, k = 1, \ldots, \bar{K}\right\} \setminus \{0\} \). Let \( \text{dual}(C) \) denote the dual cone of a set \( C \subset \mathbb{R}^d \). Then, the following statements hold.

(i) For each \((i_k) \in \mathcal{I}\), it holds that

\[
\bar{s}_y(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\bar{K}} \langle y_k, \bar{w}_k \rangle + \bar{z}_k \langle \bar{a}_{k,i_k}, z \rangle,
\]

for all \( z \in \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) and \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \). We have \( \bigcup_{(i_k) \in \mathcal{I}} \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+ = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). If \((i_k) \in \mathcal{I}\), \((i'_k) \in \mathcal{I}\), \((i_k) \neq (i'_k)\), then

\[
\text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+) \cap \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i'_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+) = \emptyset.
\]

Moreover, by possibly removing some elements from \( \mathcal{I} \), one can assume without loss of generality that \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+) \neq \emptyset \) for all \((i_k) \in \mathcal{I}\).
Algorithm 0: Generation of Radial Constraints

**Input:** \( \tilde{s}_y(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} (\langle y, \bar{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k) \max \left\{ (\bar{a}_{k,i}, z) : 1 \leq i \leq \tilde{I}_k \right\} \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d \) and \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \)

**Output:** System of linear inequalities on \( y \) with auxiliary variables to guarantee \( \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), denoted by \( \tilde{\sigma} \)

1. Initialize \( \tilde{\sigma} \) to be empty.
2. for every \((i_k) \in \tilde{I}\) do
   3. Compute \( A_{(i_k)} \leftarrow \{ \bar{a}_{k,i} - \bar{a}_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq \tilde{I}_k, i \neq i_k, 1 \leq k \leq K \} \setminus \{0\} \).
   4. if the condition (EC.2.5) fails to hold then
      5. Expand \( \tilde{\sigma} \) to include additional non-negative auxiliary variables \( (\eta_{v}^{(i_k)})_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \).
      6. Append the linear inequality (EC.2.4) to \( \tilde{\sigma} \).
3. return \( \tilde{\sigma} \).

(ii) For each \((i_k) \in \tilde{I}, \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) if and only if for each \( v \in A_{(i_k)} \) there exists \( \eta_{v}^{(i_k)} \geq 0 \) such that

\[
\sum_{k=1}^{K} (\langle y, \bar{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k) \bar{a}_{k,i} \geq \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \eta_{v}^{(i_k)} v. \tag{EC.2.4}
\]

(iii) For each \((i_k) \in \tilde{I}, \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}^d_+ ) = \emptyset \) is equivalent to the following condition:

there exists \( \eta_{v}^{(i_k)} \geq 0 \) for each \( v \in A_{(i_k)} \),

such that \( \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \eta_{v}^{(i_k)} = 1, \) \( \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \eta_{v}^{(i_k)} v \leq 0, \) \( \tag{EC.2.5} \)

which can be checked by a linear programming (LP) solver.

**Proof of Proposition EC.2.5** See Section EC.5.

Based on Proposition EC.2.5, Algorithm 0 generates the necessary and sufficient constraints on \( y \) to guarantee that \( \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), which are jointly referred to as the radial constraints. The output of Algorithm 0 is a system of linear inequalities of the form (EC.2.4) and is denoted by \( \tilde{\sigma} \). Apart from \( y \), these linear inequalities also contain auxiliary variables. In Line 5, the system of linear inequalities is “expanded” to include additional auxiliary variables. In Line 6, a new linear inequality is added to the current inequality system. This is sometimes referred to as aggregating the constraint to \( \tilde{\sigma} \) in the literature. Concretely, if the linear inequality constraints are stored in a matrix, then Line 5 corresponds to adding extra columns to the matrix to increase the number of decision variables, and Line 6 corresponds to adding an extra row to the matrix as an additional constraint. The correctness of Algorithm 0 is shown by the following proposition.
Proposition EC.2.6. Let \( s_y(z) \) be the slack function given by (EC.2.2) and let \( \tilde{s}_y(z) \) be its radial function given by (EC.2.3). Let \( \tilde{\sigma} \) be the system of linear inequalities returned by Algorithm 0. Then, for any \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \), \( \inf_{z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(z) > -\infty \) if and only if \( y \) satisfies all linear inequalities in \( \tilde{\sigma} \).

Proof of Proposition EC.2.6 See Section EC.5.

Remark EC.2.7. (i) In Algorithm 0, auxiliary variables are introduced because each \( \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) \) is represented by the conic hull of its extreme directions (i.e. a \( V \)-polyhedron). Such a cone also admits an equivalent representation by the intersection of finitely many half-spaces (i.e. an \( H \)-polyhedron), that is,

\[
\text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) = \{ v \in \mathbb{R}^d_+: \langle v, u \rangle \geq 0, \forall u \in \text{exdir}(\text{dual}(\text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}))) \},
\]

where \( \text{exdir}(\cdot) \) denotes the set of extreme directions of a polyhedron. Using this representation, there is no need to introduce auxiliary variables. Unfortunately, to obtain such a representation, one needs to enumerate all the extreme directions of \( \text{dual}(\text{cone}(A_{(i_k)})) \), which is usually computationally very costly (see, for example, Le Verge (1992) and Section 5.2 of Ciripoi et al. (2019)).

(ii) The computational complexity of Algorithm 0 may grow fast as \( \tilde{K} \) grows. In certain cases, the growth can be exponential. The proposed approach is only practical when the total number of times Line 6 is executed is not too large. Fortunately, this is usually the case with the problems we study, since vanilla options and basket options with non-negative weights do not increase this number.

After imposing constraints on \( y \) to guarantee that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} s_y(x) > -\infty \), Algorithm 1 solves the global optimization problem \( \min_{0 \leq x \leq x} h(x) \) by formulating it into a mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem. This is detailed in the following lemma.

Lemma EC.2.8. Let \( h: \mathbb{R}^d_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \) be a CPWA function represented as (3.2). Assume that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) > -\infty \). Let \( \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)^T > \mathbf{0} \). For \( i = 1, \ldots, I_k, k = 1, \ldots, K \), let \( M_{k,i} \) be the constant given by

\[
M_{k,i} := \max \{ \langle a_{k,i'} - a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i'} - b_{k,i} : 0 \leq x \leq \mathbf{x}, 1 \leq i' \leq I_k, i' \neq i \}. \tag{EC.2.6}
\]

Then, the global minimization problem

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{minimize} & \quad h(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K \xi_k \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \} \\
\text{subject to} & \quad 0 \leq x \leq \mathbf{x}
\end{align*}
\tag{EC.2.7}
\]
is equivalent to the following mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{minimize} & \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{\xi_k=1}^{\xi_k=-1} \lambda_k + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{\xi_k=-1}^{\xi_k=1} -\zeta_k \\
\text{subject to} & \quad \text{for } k = 1, \ldots, K \text{ and } \xi_k = 1:\n\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
\lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}, \\
\langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} \leq \lambda_k, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq I_k,
\end{array} \right.
\text{for } k = 1, \ldots, K \text{ and } \xi_k = -1:\n\left\{ \begin{array}{l}
\zeta_k \in \mathbb{R}, \\
\delta_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq I_k, \\
\iota_{k,i} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq I_k, \\
\langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} + \delta_{k,i} = \zeta_k, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq I_k, \\
0 \leq \delta_{k,i} \leq M_{k,i}(1 - \iota_{k,i}), \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq I_k, \\
\sum_{i=1}^{I_k} \iota_{k,i} = 1,
\end{array} \right.
\end{align*}
\]

(EC.2.8)

Proof of Lemma EC.2.8 See Section EC.5.

Remark EC.2.9 (The branch-and-bound (BnB) algorithm). Consider the MILP problem: minimize \(p(\gamma)\) subject to \(\gamma \in \Gamma\), where \(\Gamma\) denotes the feasible set. The BnB algorithm generates a sequence of solutions \((\gamma_t) \subset \Gamma\) that satisfy the equality/inequality constraints and integer constraints with non-increasing objective values, that is, for \(p_t := p(\gamma_t)\), we have

\[p_1 \geq p_2 \geq \ldots \geq p^*,\]

where \(p^*\) denotes the optimal value of the problem. These solutions are usually referred to as integer feasible solutions. At the same time, the BnB algorithm produces a sequence of relaxations of the original problem with non-decreasing objective values to serve as lower bounds of the original problem, that is,

\[p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \ldots \leq p^*.\]

The BnB algorithm terminates on iteration \(t\) when the following condition is satisfied:

\[\frac{\overline{p}_t - \underline{p}_t}{|\overline{p}_t|} \leq \zeta,\]

(EC.2.9)

where \(\zeta \in (0, 1)\) is referred to as the relative gap tolerance. At termination, \(\gamma_t\) is returned as the approximate optimizer, \(\overline{p}_t\) is returned as the approximate optimal value, and \(\underline{p}_t\) is returned as the best objective bound. Gurobi Optimization provides a basic overview of mixed-integer programming.\(^{11}\)

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\(^{11}\) [https://www.gurobi.com/resource/mip-basics/] accessed: April 18, 2021.
Remark EC.2.10 (Inputs of Algorithm 1). The following list explains the various inputs of Algorithm 1 and how to set them.

- \( \overline{\pi}, \bar{\pi}, (g_j)_{j=1:m}, f \) are given by problem (3.1).
- \( X^{(0)} \) is the initial set of points in \( \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) used to generate the initial constraints on \( c \) and \( y \). It is possible to set \( X^{(0)} = \emptyset \) and the LP problem in Line 8 remains bounded due to the additional constraint introduced in Line 3. The return value \( X \) (or a subset of \( X \)) can be reused as \( X^{(0)} \) for another run of Algorithm 1 with a similar problem to achieve significant speed-up.
- \( \mathcal{X} \) is the upper bound used in the MILP problem (EC.2.8). For the validity of the algorithm, \( \mathcal{X} \) should satisfy the conditions in Proposition EC.2.4(iv).
- \( \phi \) specifies an initial lower bound of \( \phi(f) \). In order to guarantee \( \phi \leq \phi(f) \), one finds \( c_0 \) and \( y_0 \) such that \( c_0 + \langle y_0, g \rangle \geq -f \) and set \( \phi = -c_0 - \pi(y_0) \). The existence of such \( c_0 \) and \( y_0 \) is guaranteed by Assumption 3.2(iii) and Theorem 2.4(ii). Under Assumption 2.1, one can show that \( \phi \leq \phi(f) \) always holds. This is detailed in Theorem 3.4.
- \( \varepsilon \) is a positive number indicating the numerical accuracy of the algorithm. This is detailed in Theorem 3.4(ii).
- \( \tau \) can be set as any positive number to provide a strict lower bound on \( \phi(f) \).
- \( \delta \in (0,1] \) controls the number of additional constraints generated in each iteration of the algorithm in Line 12, each of which corresponds to a sub-optimal integer feasible solution found by the BnB algorithm before the optimizer (see Remark EC.2.9). When \( \delta \) is set to 1, \( X^{(r)} \) will be a singleton and contains only the \( x^* \) that corresponds to an optimizer of problem (EC.2.8). When \( \delta \) is set close to 0, \( X^{(r)} \) corresponds to most of the integer feasible solutions with \( x \) such that \( c^{(r)} + s_y^{(r)}(x) < 0 \) and thus more constraints are included in the next LP problem in Line 8. \( \delta \) can usually be set small, since we empirically observe that it often results in a reduction of the total number of iterations.

Remark EC.2.11. Algorithm 1 is inspired by the Conceptual Algorithm 11.4.1 in [Goberna and López (1998)]. There are a few notable differences, as detailed below.

- In Line 1, the initial constraints involve auxiliary variables from the radial constraints generated by Algorithm 0.
- Line 3 introduces a lower bound on \( \phi(f) \) to guarantee that the LP problem in Line 8 is bounded.
- Line 12 uses sub-optimal integer feasible solutions of the MILP problem (EC.2.8), allowing for more than one cuts to be generated in each iteration of Algorithm 1 which significantly speeds up the algorithm.
- In contrast to the Conceptual Algorithm 11.4.1 in [Goberna and López (1998)], which returns an infeasible solution in general, Algorithm 1 returns a feasible solution due to Line 14. This is discussed in detail in Theorem 3.4.
EC.2.3. Notes about the accelerated central cutting plane (ACCP) algorithm

Remark EC.2.12. It is not possible to compute a Chebyshev of a $P$-polytope resulting from a projection (e.g. a system of linear inequalities containing auxiliary variables) by solving an LP problem. Thus, Algorithm 2 is not applicable in Setting 1 (i.e. Assumption 3.2). Zhen and Den Hertog (2018) have made a detailed exposition of various approaches to approximately compute the Chebyshev center of such a polytope. However, the computational cost of these approaches is too high to be considered for our problem.

Remark EC.2.13 (Inputs of Algorithm 2). The following list explains the various inputs of Algorithm 2 and how to set them.

- $\pi, \pi, (g_j)_{j=1:m}, f$ are given by problem (3.1).
- $X(0)$ is the same as in Algorithm 1 and Remark EC.2.10.
- $x$ is specified in Assumption 3.6.
- $\phi$ specifies an initial lower bound of $\phi(f)$ and is obtained in the same way as in Remark EC.2.10.
- $c > 1, y > 1$ specify a bounding box on $(c, y^+, y^-)$ as in (3.3). We specify $c$ and $y$ to be large enough such that there exists an optimizer $(\hat{c}, \hat{y}^+, \hat{y}^-)$ of (3.1) that satisfies $|\hat{c}| \leq c - 1, \ \hat{y}^+ \leq y - 1, \ \hat{y}^- \leq y - 1$. This is to guarantee the validity of Algorithm 2.
- $(c^*(0), y^*(0))$ specifies an initial feasible point of (2.2), and $\bar{\phi} = c^*(0) + \pi(y^*(0))$ is an initial upper bound of $\phi(f)$. Moreover, we specify $c^*(0), y^*(0)$ such that $|c^*(0)| \leq \bar{c} - 1$ and $-\bar{y} + 1 \leq y^*(0) \leq \bar{y} - 1$.
- $\varepsilon$ is a positive number specifying the numerical accuracy of the algorithm. This is detailed in Theorem 3.7(ii) and (iii).
- $\tau$ can be set as any number greater than $\varepsilon$ to provide a strict lower bound on $\phi(f)$.
- $\gamma \in [0,1)$ controls the removal of active feasibility cuts in Line 31. When $\gamma$ is set to 0, then Line 31 is never reached and all feasibility cuts are retained. If $\gamma$ is set close to 1, then more feasibility cuts are removed, making solving the LP problem in Line 8 and Line 10 faster. However, when $\gamma$ is close to 1, Algorithm 2 may take more iterations to converge.
- $\zeta \in (0,1)$ controls the termination of the BnB algorithm, hence also the solution quality of the MILP problem in Line 17. Suppose that the true optimal value of the MILP problem is $s^{(r)}$. As in Remark EC.2.9 in the BnB algorithm, $\bar{s}^{(r)}$ is the approximate optimal value, and $\underline{s}^{(r)}$ is the best objective bound at termination. By the termination condition in (EC.2.9), $\frac{\bar{s}^{(r)} - \underline{s}^{(r)}}{|\underline{s}^{(r)}|} \leq \zeta$. If $\bar{s}^{(r)} \geq 0$, then $\bar{s}^{(r)} \geq \underline{s}^{(r)} \geq 0$. If $\bar{s}^{(r)} < 0$, then $(1 + \zeta)\bar{s}^{(r)} \leq \underline{s}^{(r)} \leq s^{(r)} \leq \bar{s}^{(r)} < 0$, hence $s^{(r)} \leq \bar{s}^{(r)} \leq \frac{1}{1+\zeta} s^{(r)}$.
- $\delta$ is the same as in Algorithm 1 and Remark EC.2.10.
Remark EC.2.14. Algorithm 2 is partially based on the accelerated central cutting plane algorithm in Section 2 of [Betr` o (2004)], with the following differences:

- Instead of starting with \( \varphi^{(0)} = -\infty \), Algorithm 2 starts with a given lower bound \( \varphi^{(0)} > -\infty \) similar to Algorithm 1.
- In Algorithm 2, whenever the current polytope \( \sigma(c, y, \varphi^{(r)}, \varphi^{(r)}, X) \) is found to be empty, instead of setting \( \varphi^{(r)} \leftarrow \varphi^{(r)} \), an LP problem is solved in Line 10 to update the lower bound \( \varphi^{(r)} \).
- Similar to Algorithm 1 in Line 18 of Algorithm 2, sub-optimal integer feasible solutions found by the MILP solver are used to generate additional feasibility cuts to speed up the algorithm.
- In Line 20 of Algorithm 2, a feasible point of the LSIP problem is generated from a possibly infeasible one by setting \( c^{(r)} \leftarrow c^{(r)} - \mathbf{s}^{(r)} \). This can result in an objective cut being made even when the current Chebyshev center is infeasible.

EC.2.4. Details about the implementation of the algorithms

All algorithms and experiments are implemented using the MATLAB language. We adopt the MATLAB interface of Gurobi to solve linear programs and mixed-integer linear programs within the algorithms. The MATLAB code used in this work is available on GitHub.12

The list below briefly discusses some numerical considerations in the implementation of the algorithms. The details of these considerations can be found in the MATLAB code.

- All LP problems in Algorithms 1 and 2 are solved using the interior point algorithm for better numerical accuracy. Even though the dual simplex algorithm is usually more efficient, we observed empirically that it is numerically less accurate compared to the interior point algorithm.
- The efficiency and the numerical stability of the LP solver are sensitive to the numerical condition of the coefficients of the model, which is associated with the ratio between the largest and smallest coefficients in absolute values. Thus, we round the inputs of the model when constructing coefficient matrices of LP problems. Concretely, in Line 12 of Algorithm 1 and in Line 18 of Algorithm 2 each component of a solution \( \mathbf{x} \) is rounded to a multiple of \( 10^{-4} \) to control the numerical condition of the coefficient matrix in the LP problem.
- When formulating the MILP problem in (EC.2.8), we discard the terms in (EC.2.7) in which \( a_{k,i} \) and \( b_{k,i} \) are very close to zero (i.e. \( \leq 10^{-6} \)) to reduce the size of the resulting MILP problem.

12 https://github.com/qikunxiang/ModelFreePriceBounds
In order to prevent Algorithms 1 and 2 from spending too much time on solving the MILP problem (EC.2.8), we set an upper limit on the number of nodes explored by the BnB algorithm. This is fine for Algorithm 1, and for Algorithm 2 when $s^{(r)} < 0$ in Line 17. However, in Line 17 of Algorithm 2, when the node limit of the BnB algorithm is reached and $s^{(r)} \geq 0$, the algorithm might get stuck when Line 20 is not subsequently reached. To resolve this issue, we heuristically modify $s^{(r)}$ to guarantee that Line 20 is subsequently reached. We have observed that the BnB algorithm is almost always able to find the optimal integer feasible solution early on while spending most of the execution time refining the lower bound. Moreover, we have empirically observed that the described scenario only occurred when $\phi(f)^{UB} - \phi(f)^{LB}$ is very small. Therefore, this heuristic adjustment usually does not affect the validity of Algorithm 2.

Appendix EC.3: Additional notes about the numerical experiments

EC.3.1. Notes about Experiment 1

In Experiment 1, the bid and ask prices of the derivatives are synthetically generated using market models specified as follows.

- The marginal distributions of the asset prices at terminal time are log-normal distributions truncated to $[0,100]$. Two groups of marginal distributions are used. Let $\mu_{j,i}$ and $\sigma_{j,i}^2$ denote the $\mu$ and $\sigma^2$ parameters of the $i$-th marginal in the $j$-th group, for $i = 1, \ldots, 5$, $j = 1, 2$. In the first group, we set
  - $\mu_{1,1} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{1,1}^2 = 0.2$,
  - $\mu_{1,2} = 1$, $\sigma_{1,2}^2 = 0.4$,
  - $\mu_{1,3} = 1$, $\sigma_{1,3}^2 = 0.2$,
  - $\mu_{1,4} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{1,4}^2 = 0.4$,
  - $\mu_{1,5} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{1,5}^2 = 0.2$.
  In the second group, we set
  - $\mu_{2,1} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{2,1}^2 = 0.21$,
  - $\mu_{2,2} = 1$, $\sigma_{2,2}^2 = 0.42$,
  - $\mu_{2,3} = 1$, $\sigma_{2,3}^2 = 0.21$,
  - $\mu_{2,4} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{2,4}^2 = 0.42$,
  - $\mu_{2,5} = 0.5$, $\sigma_{2,5}^2 = 0.21$.
- The dependence model corresponds to a $t$-copula with a correlation matrix which has a 2-factor model structure:

$$C = \Lambda D \Lambda^T + \Psi,$$

where $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 2}$, $D \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ is a diagonal matrix, and $\Psi \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is a diagonal matrix. Two dependence models with identical correlation matrices and with degrees of freedom equal to 3 and 4 are used.
Effectively, we have now created four market models, each made up of a combination of marginal distributions and a dependence model. We have kept the four market models similar in order to simulate realistic bid–ask spreads that are consistent with typical observations from real markets.

The inputs of Algorithms 1 and 2 in Experiment 1 are specified as follows. In Algorithm 1, we set \( \varepsilon = 0.001, \tau = 0.1, \delta = 0.7 \). We set \( \phi \) according to Remark EC.2.10. When computing \( \phi(f) \), we set \( \phi = 0 \), which is given by \( 0 \geq -f \). When computing \( \phi(-f) \), we set \( \phi = -\pi_2 - \pi_3 - \pi_4 \), which is given by \( x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \geq f \). In Algorithm 2, we set \( \varepsilon = 0.001, \tau = 0.1, \gamma = 0.1, \zeta = 0.01, \delta = 0.7, \overline{\sigma} = 100, \overline{y} = 100 \cdot 1 \). \( \phi \) is set to be the same as in Algorithm 1 and \( \overline{\phi} \) is set according to Remark EC.2.13. When computing \( \phi(f) \), we set \( \overline{\phi} = \pi_2 + \pi_3 + \pi_4 \) and \( c^{(0)} + \langle y^{(0)}, g \rangle = x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \geq f \). When computing \( \phi(-f) \), we set \( \overline{\phi} = 0 \) and \( c^{(0)} + \langle y^{(0)}, g \rangle = 0 \geq -f \).

**EC.3.2. Notes about Experiment 2**

In Experiment 2, the bid and ask prices of the derivatives are synthetically generated using market models similar to those used in Experiment 1, as detailed below.

- The marginal distributions of the asset prices at terminal time are log-normal distributions truncated to \([0, 100]\). Two groups of marginal distributions are used. The \( \mu \) parameters of the marginals in the first group are uniformly randomly sampled from \([-0.3, 0.1]\), and the \( \sigma^2 \) parameters of the marginals in the first group are uniformly randomly sampled from \([0.2, 0.8]\).

  In the second group, the \( \mu \) parameters of the marginals are set to be identical to the first group, while the \( \sigma^2 \) parameters are increased by a random amount uniformly sampled from \([0, 0.1]\).

- The dependence model is a \( t \)-copula with a correlation matrix which has a 3-factor model structure. Two dependence models with slightly different correlation matrices and with degrees of freedom equal to 3 and 20 are used.

Same as in Experiment 1, we have created four market models, each made up of a combination of marginal distributions and a dependence model.

The inputs of Algorithms 1 and 2 in Experiment 2 are specified as follows. In Algorithm 1, we set \( \varepsilon = 0.001, \tau = 1, \delta = 0.7 \). We set \( \phi \) according to Remark EC.2.10. When computing \( \phi(f) \), we set \( \phi = 0 \), which is given by \( 0 \geq -f \). When computing \( \phi(-f) \), we set \( \phi = -\pi_2 - \pi_3 - \pi_4 \), which follows from \( x_1 \geq f, \ldots, x_{50} \geq f \). In Algorithm 2, we set \( \varepsilon = 0.001, \tau = 1, \gamma = 0.1, \zeta = 0.8, \delta = 0.7, \overline{\sigma} = 100, \overline{y} = 100 \cdot 1 \). \( \phi \) is set to be the same as in Algorithm 1 and \( \overline{\phi} \) is set according to Remark EC.2.13. When computing \( \phi(f) \), we set \( \overline{\phi} = \min\{\pi_1, \ldots, \pi_{50}\} \) and \( c^{(0)} + \langle y^{(0)}, g \rangle = x_{i_{\min}} \geq f \), where \( i_{\min} := \arg \min_{1 \leq i \leq 50} \pi_i \). When computing \( \phi(-f) \), we set \( \overline{\phi} = 0 \) and \( c^{(0)} + \langle y^{(0)}, g \rangle = 0 \geq -f \).
EC.3.3. Notes about Experiment 4

While preprocessing the price data, we noticed that the prices of options written on CVX with strike prices below $50 are clearly anomalous (see the third panel of Figure EC.1). Thus, we remove these options from Experiment 4.

As mentioned in Section 4.4, we adopt an arbitrage removal process to adjust the bid and ask prices of the options. The specific procedure is detailed as follows.

- We treat the DIA ETF as an asset and treat the options written on DIA as vanilla call and put options.
- For each asset (including the DIA ETF), we repeat the following steps.
  - Let $0 < \kappa_1 < \cdots < \kappa_m$ denote the strike prices of the call and put options written on this asset. For $j = 1, \ldots, m$, let $\pi^\text{call}_j$ and $\pi^\text{call}_j$ denote the bid and ask prices of the call option with strike $\kappa_j$, respectively. Similarly, let $\pi^\text{put}_j$ and $\pi^\text{put}_j$ denote the bid and ask prices of the put option with strike $\kappa_j$, respectively.
  - Fix $\pi > \kappa_m$ to be large enough. Then, let $(\tilde{v}^\text{call}_j, \tilde{v}^\text{call}_j, \tilde{v}^\text{put}_j, \tilde{v}^\text{put}_j)_{j=1:m}$ be an approximate minimizer of the following minimization problem:
    \[
    \min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^m \left( v^\text{call}_j - v^\text{call}_j + v^\text{put}_j - v^\text{put}_j \right) : \exists \mu \in \mathcal{P}([0, \pi]), \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \pi\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu), \right. \\
    \pi^\text{call}_j - v^\text{call}_j \leq \int_{[0, \pi]} (x - \kappa_j)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi^\text{call}_j + v^\text{call}_j, \\
    \pi^\text{put}_j - v^\text{put}_j \leq \int_{[0, \pi]} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi^\text{put}_j + v^\text{put}_j, \\
    v^\text{call}_j \geq 0, v^\text{call}_j \geq 0, v^\text{put}_j \geq 0, v^\text{put}_j \geq 0 \forall 1 \leq j \leq m \right\}. 
    \] (EC.3.1)
  - For $j = 1, \ldots, m$, adjust the bid and ask prices of the call option with strike $\kappa_j$ to $\pi^\text{call}_j - \tilde{v}^\text{call}_j$ and $\pi^\text{call}_j + \tilde{v}^\text{call}_j$, respectively. Adjust the bid and ask prices of the put option with strike $\kappa_j$ to $\pi^\text{put}_j - \tilde{v}^\text{put}_j$ and $\pi^\text{put}_j + \tilde{v}^\text{put}_j$, respectively.

\(^{13}\)In the MATLAB implementation we take $\pi := 2\kappa_m$. 

Figure EC.1 Prices of options written on the SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF Trust (DIA), Apple Inc. (AAPL), and Chevron Corporation (CVX) used in Experiment 4. Prices of options written on CVX with strike prices below $50$ (indicated by the black solid vertical line) are anomalous and are removed from the experiment.
The following proposition shows that the above procedure produces arbitrage-free option prices.

**Proposition EC.3.1.** Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 < \kappa_1 < \cdots < \kappa_m < \bar{\pi}$. For $j = 1, \ldots, m$, let $\pi_{j}^{\text{call}} < \pi_{j}^{\text{call}}$, $\pi_{j}^{\text{put}} < \pi_{j}^{\text{put}}$ be fixed, and define

$$
\pi\left(y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}\right) := \sum_{j=1}^{m} \left( y_j^{\text{call}} \lor 0 \right) \pi_j^{\text{call}} - \left( -y_j^{\text{call}} \lor 0 \right) \pi_j^{\text{call}} + \left( y_j^{\text{put}} \lor 0 \right) \pi_j^{\text{put}} - \left( -y_j^{\text{put}} \lor 0 \right) \pi_j^{\text{put}}
$$

for all $(y_j^{\text{call}} \in \mathbb{R})_{j=1:m}$, $(y_j^{\text{put}} \in \mathbb{R})_{j=1:m}$. Suppose there exists $\mu \in \mathcal{P}([0,\bar{\pi}])$ with $\{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \bar{\pi}\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu)$, such that for $j = 1, \ldots, m$,

$$
\pi_j^{\text{call}} \leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (x - \kappa_j)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{call}},
$$

$$
\pi_j^{\text{put}} \leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{put}}.
$$

(EC.3.2)

Then, for any $y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}$ such that

$$
\left[ \sum_{j=1}^{m} y_j^{\text{call}} (x - \kappa_j)^+ + y_j^{\text{put}} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \right] - \pi\left(y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}\right) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+,
$$

it holds that

$$
\left[ \sum_{j=1}^{m} y_j^{\text{call}} (x - \kappa_j)^+ + y_j^{\text{put}} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \right] - \pi\left(y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}\right) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+.
$$

(EC.3.3)

(EC.3.4)

**Proof of Proposition EC.3.1.** See Section EC.6.

In order to numerically solve the minimization problem (EC.3.1), we need the following proposition.

**Proposition EC.3.2.** Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 < \kappa_1 < \cdots < \kappa_m < \bar{\pi}$. For $j = 1, \ldots, J$ where $J \in \mathbb{N}$, let $g_j : [0, \bar{\pi}] \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function which is piece-wise affine on the intervals $[0, \kappa_1]$, $[\kappa_1, \kappa_2]$, $\ldots$, $[\kappa_{m-1}, \kappa_m]$, $[\kappa_m, \bar{\pi}]$. For $j = 1, \ldots, J$, let $\pi_j \in \mathbb{R}$ be fixed. Suppose there exists $\mu \in \mathcal{P}([0,\bar{\pi}])$ with $\{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \bar{\pi}\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu)$, such that $\int_{[0,\pi]} g_j \, d\mu = \pi_j$ for $j = 1, \ldots, J$. Then, there exists a probability measure $\tilde{\mu} \in \mathcal{P}([0,\bar{\pi}])$ with $\text{supp}(\tilde{\mu}) = \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \bar{\pi}\}$ such that $\int_{[0,\pi]} g_j \, d\tilde{\mu} = \pi_j$ for $j = 1, \ldots, J$.

**Proof of Proposition EC.3.2.** See Section EC.6.

Notice that the payoff functions of the call and put options are all continuous and piece-wise affine on the intervals $[0, \kappa_1]$, $[\kappa_1, \kappa_2]$, $\ldots$, $[\kappa_{m-1}, \kappa_m]$, $[\kappa_m, \bar{\pi}]$. Therefore, Proposition EC.3.2...
states that for fixed \((v_j^{\text{call}} \geq 0, v_j^{\text{call}} \geq 0, v_j^{\text{put}} \geq 0, v_j^{\text{put}} \geq 0)\) \(j=1:m\), there exists \(\mu \in \mathcal{P}([0,\pi])\) with \(\{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \pi\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu)\), such that for \(j = 1, \ldots, J\),

\[
\begin{align*}
\pi_j^{\text{call}} - v_j^{\text{call}} &\leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (x - \kappa_j)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{call}} + v_j^{\text{call}}, \\
\pi_j^{\text{put}} - v_j^{\text{put}} &\leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \mu(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{put}} + v_j^{\text{put}},
\end{align*}
\]

if and only if there exists a probability measure \(\hat{\mu} \in \mathcal{P}([0,\pi])\) with \(\text{supp}(\hat{\mu}) = \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \pi\}\) such that for \(j = 1, \ldots, J\),

\[
\begin{align*}
\pi_j^{\text{call}} - v_j^{\text{call}} &\leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (x - \kappa_j)^+ \hat{\mu}(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{call}} + v_j^{\text{call}}, \\
\pi_j^{\text{put}} - v_j^{\text{put}} &\leq \int_{[0,\pi]} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \hat{\mu}(dx) \leq \pi_j^{\text{put}} + v_j^{\text{put}}.
\end{align*}
\]

Thus, the minimization problem (EC.3.1) can be reformulated as follows:

\[
\begin{align*}
\min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{m} (v_j^{\text{call}} + v_j^{\text{call}} + v_j^{\text{put}} + v_j^{\text{put}}) : \\
\exists p_0 > 0, p_1 > 0, \ldots, p_m > 0, p_{m+1} > 0, \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} p_i = 1, \\
\pi_j^{\text{call}} - v_j^{\text{call}} &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{m} p_i (\kappa_i - \kappa_j)^+ + p_{m+1} (\pi - \kappa_j) \leq \pi_j^{\text{call}} + v_j^{\text{call}}, \\
\pi_j^{\text{put}} - v_j^{\text{put}} &\leq p_0 \kappa_j + \sum_{i=1}^{m} p_i (\kappa_j - \kappa_i)^+ \leq \pi_j^{\text{put}} + v_j^{\text{put}}.
\end{align*}
\]

Now, problem (EC.3.5) can be formulated into a linear programming problem (the constraints \(p_0 > 0, p_1 > 0, \ldots, p_m > 0, p_{m+1} > 0\) need to be approximated by \(p_0 \geq \eta, p_1 \geq \eta, \ldots, p_m \geq \eta, p_{m+1} \geq \eta\) for \(\eta > 0\) very small) which can be solved efficiently.

Appendix EC.4: Proofs of the Fundamental Theorem and the superhedging duality

This section is dedicated to the proof of the fundamental theorem (Theorem 2.3) and the superhedging duality (Theorem 2.4). Let us first introduce the following notions and definitions. For any vector \(x\) and any \(i < j\), let \([x]_{i:j}\) denote the vector formed with the \(i\)-th through the \(j\)-th entries of \(x\), i.e. \([x]_{i:j} := (x_i, x_{i+1}, \ldots, x_j)^T\). For a subset \(A\) of a Euclidean space, let \(\text{cone}(A)\) denote the conic hull of \(A\). Let \(\Delta\) denote the following polytope,

\[
\Delta := [\pi_1, \pi_1] \times \cdots \times [\pi_m, \pi_m] \subset \mathbb{R}^m.
\]

One verifies from definitions (EC.4.1) and (2.1) that, for every \(y = (y_1, \ldots, y_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^m\)

\[
\pi(y) = \max_{q \in \Delta} \langle y, q \rangle,
\]
thus $\pi(\cdot)$ is sublinear. Let us define the sets $\overline{P} \subseteq P(\Omega)$ and $\Gamma \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ as follows:

$$\overline{P} := \left\{ \mu \in P(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} |f| + \sum_{j=1}^{m} |g_j| \, d\mu < \infty \right\},$$

$$\Gamma := \left\{ \int_{\Omega} g \, d\mu : \mu \in \overline{P} \right\},$$

where $\int_{\Omega} g \, d\mu$ denotes $(\int_{\Omega} g_1 \, d\mu, \ldots, \int_{\Omega} g_m \, d\mu)^{\top} \in \mathbb{R}^m$. Moreover, let us denote the set of payoff functions that can be super-replicated with no initial cost by

$$C := \{ \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) : y \in \mathbb{R}^m \} - L^0_+, \quad (EC.4.2)$$

where $L^0_+ := \{ h : \Omega \to \mathbb{R} : h(\omega) \geq 0 \ \forall \omega \in \Omega \}$ denotes the set of all Borel measurable non-negative functions.

Let us first prove the following two lemmata which are intermediate results.

**Lemma EC.4.1**. Under Assumption 2.4, if $(f_n)_{n \geq 1} \subseteq C$ and $f_n \to f$ point-wise, then $f \in C$.

**Proof of Lemma EC.4.1** (adapted from Theorem 2.2 of [Bouchard and Nutz 2015]). Suppose $(f_n)_{n \geq 1} \subseteq C$ and $f_n \to f$ point-wise. Then, there exist $y_n \in \mathbb{R}^m, h_n \in L^0_+$ such that $f_n = \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) - h_n$, for $n \geq 1$. The goal is to find a subsequence $(y_{n_k})_{k \geq 1}$ such that $\lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{n_k}, g \rangle - \pi(y_{n_k}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y)$ point-wise for some $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$. Given such a subsequence, for any $\omega \in \Omega$,

$$\langle y, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) - f(\omega) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{n_k}, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y_{n_k}) - f_{n_k}(\omega) = \lim_{k \to \infty} h_{n_k}(\omega) \geq 0,$$

hence $f \in C$.

Let us consider the following two separate cases.

**Case 1**: $\liminf_{n \to \infty} \|y_n\| < \infty$. In this case, there exists a subsequence $(y_{n_k})_{k \geq 1}$ that converges to some $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ by compactness, and $\lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{n_k}, g \rangle - \pi(y_{n_k}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y)$ follows from the continuity of $\pi(\cdot)$.

**Case 2**: $\liminf_{n \to \infty} \|y_n\| = \infty$. Define $\tilde{y}_n := \frac{y_n}{1 + \|y_n\|}$. Then $\lim_{n \to \infty} \|\tilde{y}_n\| = 1$ and there exists a subsequence of $(\tilde{y}_n)_{n \geq 1}$, denoted again by $(\tilde{y}_n)_{n \geq 1}$ for simplicity, such that $\tilde{y}_n \to \tilde{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ as $n \to \infty$. Moreover, for all $\omega \in \Omega$,

$$\langle \tilde{y}, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \langle \tilde{y}_n, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y_n)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \|y_n\|} [\langle y_n, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y_n)]$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f_n(\omega)}{1 + \|y_n\|}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{f_n(\omega) - f(\omega)}{1 + \|y_n\|} + \frac{f(\omega)}{1 + \|y_n\|} = 0,$$
where the second equality follows from the positive homogeneity of \( \pi(\cdot) \). By Assumption 2.1 we have

\[
\langle \tilde{y}, g \rangle - \pi(\tilde{y}) = 0. \tag{EC.4.3}
\]

The rest of the proof follows from induction, with the following induction hypothesis:

\[
[y_n]_j = 0 \quad \forall j \in I, n \geq 1, \quad \text{where } I \subset \{1, \ldots, m\} \text{ and } |I| = l \implies \quad (y_n)_{n \geq 1} \text{ admits a subsequence } (y_{nk})_{k \geq 1} \text{ such that } \exists y \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ satisfying } \lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{nk}, g \rangle - \pi(y_{nk}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y). \tag{EC.4.4}
\]

The claim in (EC.4.4) holds trivially when \( l = m \). The goal is to show that (EC.4.4) holds when \( l = 0 \).

Now, let \( \tilde{I} \subset \{1, \ldots, m\}, |\tilde{I}| = l - 1 \) for some \( 1 \leq l \leq m \), and suppose that \( [y_n]_j = 0 \) for all \( j \in \tilde{I} \) and \( n \geq 1 \). If \( \liminf_{n \to \infty} \|y_n\| < \infty \), then the claim holds by Case 1 above. Therefore, let us assume that \( \liminf_{n \to \infty} \|y_n\| = \infty \). Let us first restrict \((y_n)_{n \geq 1}\) to a subsequence \((y_{nk})_{k \geq 1}\) such that \(\operatorname{sign}(y_{nk}) = \operatorname{sign}(y_{n1})\) for all \(k \geq 1\), where for \(x \in \mathbb{R}^m\), \(\operatorname{sign}(x) := (\operatorname{sign}([x]_1), \ldots, \operatorname{sign}([x]_m))^T \in \{-1, 1\}^m\) and for \(x \in \mathbb{R}\),

\[
\operatorname{sign}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
\]

Such a subsequence exists since \(m\) is finite. Let this subsequence be denoted by \((y_n)_{n \geq 1}\) again. By Case 2 and by setting \(\tilde{y}_n := \frac{y_n}{1 + \|y_n\|}\), we get a subsequence (still denoted by \((\tilde{y}_n)_{n \geq 1}\)) such that \(\tilde{y}_n \to \tilde{y}\) as \(n \to \infty\). Note that we have \(\operatorname{sign}(y_n) = \operatorname{sign}(\tilde{y}_n)\) for all \(n\). Moreover, (EC.4.3) holds and for all \(n \geq 1\)

\[
\operatorname{sign}([y_n]_j) = \operatorname{sign}([\tilde{y}_n]_j) = \operatorname{sign}([\tilde{y}]_j) \quad \forall j \in \{1, \ldots, m\} \text{ such that } [\tilde{y}]_j \neq 0. \tag{EC.4.5}
\]

For every \(n \geq 1\), let \(\lambda_n = \min\{\gamma_{n,1}, \ldots, \gamma_{n,m}\}\), where

\[
\gamma_{n,j} = \begin{cases} \frac{[y_n]_j}{[\tilde{y}]_j}, & \text{if } [\tilde{y}]_j \neq 0, \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}
\]

for \(j = 1, \ldots, m\). By (EC.4.5), \(\gamma_{n,j} \geq 0\) for all \(n\) and \(j\). We also have \(\lambda_n < \infty\) for all \(n \geq 1\) since \(\|\tilde{y}\| = 1\). Let \(\tilde{y}_n := y_n - \lambda_n \tilde{y}\), and observe that for all \(j \in \{1, \ldots, m\} \setminus \tilde{I}\),

\[
[y_n]_j = [y_n]_j - \lambda_n [\tilde{y}]_j \begin{cases} \geq 0, & \text{if } [y_n]_j \geq 0, \\ \leq 0, & \text{if } [y_n]_j < 0, \\ = 0, & \text{if } \lambda_n = \gamma_{n,j}. \tag{EC.4.6} \end{cases}
\]
It follows for all \( n \geq 1 \) that

\[
\text{sign}([y_n]_j) = \text{sign}([\tilde{y}_n]_j) \quad \forall j \in \{1, \ldots, m\} \text{ such that } [\tilde{y}_n]_j \neq 0.
\]  

(EC.4.7)

Combining (EC.4.5) and (EC.4.7), it follows that if \( \pi(y_n) = \langle y_n, q \rangle \) for \( q \in \Delta \), then \( \pi(\tilde{y}_n) = \langle \tilde{y}_n, q \rangle \) and \( \pi(\tilde{y}) = \langle \tilde{y}, q \rangle \). Hence, \( \pi(\tilde{y}_n) = \pi(y_n) - \lambda_n(\tilde{y} - y) \). Combining (EC.4.6) and the assumption that \( [\tilde{y}_n]_j = 0 \) for all \( j \in I \), it holds that \( \tilde{y}_n \) has at least \( l \) zero-entries. Again, by extracting a subsequence, we can assume without loss of generality that the additional zero-entries in \( \tilde{y}_n \) all occur at the same position, that is, there exists \( j' \in \{1, \ldots, m\} \setminus \bar{I} \) such that \( [\tilde{y}_n]_{j'} = 0 \) for all \( n \geq 1 \). Now since \( |\bar{I} \cup \{j'\}| = l \), by the induction hypothesis (EC.4.4), \( (\tilde{y}_n)_{n \geq 1} \) admits a subsequence \( (\tilde{y}_{n_k})_{k \geq 1} \) such that \( \exists y \in \mathbb{R}^m \), \( \lim_{k \to \infty} \langle \tilde{y}_{n_k}, g \rangle - \pi(\tilde{y}_{n_k}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \). By (EC.4.3), it holds for \( n \geq 1 \) that

\[
\langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) = \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(\tilde{y}_n) - \lambda_n(\langle \tilde{y}, g \rangle - \pi(\tilde{y})) = \langle \tilde{y}_n, g \rangle - \pi(\tilde{y}_n),
\]

hence \( \lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{n_k}, g \rangle - \pi(y_{n_k}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \). We have thus proved the induction hypothesis for the case where \( |I| = l - 1 \). By induction, the existence of a subsequence \( (y_{n_k})_{k \geq 1} \) such that \( \lim_{k \to \infty} \langle y_{n_k}, g \rangle - \pi(y_{n_k}) = \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \) for some \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) is established. The proof is now complete.

**Lemma EC.4.2.** For any \( \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \), let \( \widetilde{P}_\nu := \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) : \nu \ll \mu, \int_{\Omega} |f| + \sum_{j=1}^m |g_j| \, d\mu < \infty \right\} \), and let \( \Gamma_\nu := \left\{ \int_{\Omega} g \, d\mu : \mu \in \widetilde{P}_\nu \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^m \). Under Assumption 2.1, \( \Delta \cap \text{relint}(\Gamma_\nu) \neq \emptyset \). In particular, \( \Delta \cap \text{relint}(\Gamma) \neq \emptyset \).

*Proof of Lemma [EC.4.2](partially adapted from Lemma 3.3 of Bouchard and Nutz [2015])*

Fix a \( \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \). Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that \( \Delta \cap \text{relint}(\Gamma_\nu) = \emptyset \). Since both \( \Delta \) and \( \Gamma_\nu \) are convex, and \( \Delta \) is polyhedral, by Theorem 20.2 of Rockafellar [1970], there exists a hyperplane (namely, there exist \( y \in \mathbb{R}^n \) with \( y \neq 0 \) and \( \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \))

\[
H := \{ w \in \mathbb{R}^n : \langle y, w \rangle = \alpha \}
\]

that separates \( \Delta \) and \( \Gamma_\nu \) properly and that \( \Gamma_\nu \not\subset H \). Suppose without loss of generality that \( \Delta \) is contained in the half-space \( H_- := \{ w : \langle y, w \rangle \leq \alpha \} \), then

\[
\pi(y) = \sup_{q \in \Delta} \langle y, q \rangle \leq \alpha.
\]

On the other hand,

\[
\int_{\Omega} \langle y, g \rangle \, d\mu \geq \alpha \geq \pi(y) \quad \forall \mu \in \widetilde{P}_\nu.
\]  

(EC.4.8)

This implies that \( \int_{\Omega} \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \, d\mu \geq 0 \forall \mu \in \widetilde{P}_\nu \). Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that there exists \( \omega \in \Omega \) such that \( \langle y, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) = \beta < 0 \). Let \( \widetilde{\nu} = (\nu + \delta_\omega)/2 \), where \( \delta_\omega \) is the Dirac measure
at \( \omega \). By Theorem VII.57 of Dellacherie and Meyer (1982), there exists \( \tilde{\nu} \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \) such that \( \tilde{\nu} \sim \eta \) and \( \int_\Omega |f| + \sum_{j=1}^m |g_j|d\tilde{\nu} < \infty \). Therefore, \( \tilde{\nu} \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \) and \( \tilde{\nu}(\{\omega\}) > 0 \). Now for \( \varepsilon > 0 \), define \( \eta_\varepsilon \) by
\[
\frac{d\eta_\varepsilon}{d\tilde{\nu}} = \frac{1_{\{\omega\}} + \varepsilon}{\tilde{\nu}(\{\omega\}) + \varepsilon}.
\]
It is clear that \( \eta_\varepsilon \sim \tilde{\nu} \) and \( \eta_\varepsilon \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \) for all \( \varepsilon > 0 \). Moreover,
\[
\int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) d\eta_\varepsilon = \frac{\beta \tilde{\nu}(\{\omega\}) + \varepsilon \int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) d\tilde{\nu}}{\tilde{\nu}(\{\omega\}) + \varepsilon} \rightarrow \beta < 0
\]
when \( \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \). This implies that there exist \( \varepsilon > 0 \) and \( \eta_\varepsilon \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \) such that \( \int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) d\eta_\varepsilon < 0 \), which is a contradiction to (EC.4.8). Therefore, \( \langle y, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) > 0 \) for all \( \omega \in \Omega \) and it follows from Assumption 2.1 that \( \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) = 0 \). Hence, by (EC.4.8), we have for all \( \mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \) that
\[
\alpha \leq \int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle d\mu = \pi(y) \leq \alpha,
\]
and we conclude that \( \int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle d\mu = \alpha \) for all \( \mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \) and thus \( \Gamma_\nu \subseteq H \), which is a contradiction to \( \Gamma_\nu \not\subseteq H \). The last statement of Lemma EC.4.2 follows from the fact that \( \tilde{\mathcal{P}} = \bigcup_{\nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)} \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_\nu \), and that \( \Gamma = \bigcup_{\nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)} \Gamma_\nu \). The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Theorem 2.3 (adapted from Theorem 3.1 of Bouchard and Nutz (2015))** Suppose that Assumption 2.1 holds. We have by Lemma EC.4.2 that for any \( \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \), there exists \( \mu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \) such that \( \nu \ll \mu \) and \( \int_\Omega g d\mu \in \Delta \), hence (ii) holds.

Conversely, suppose that Assumption 2.1 does not hold. Then, there exists \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) and \( \omega \in \Omega \) such that \( \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) > 0 \) and \( \langle y, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) > 0 \). With this \( y \) and any \( \mu \in \mathcal{Q} \), it holds that
\[
\int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle d\mu = \sup_{q \in \Delta} \langle y, q \rangle = \pi(y),
\]
implying \( \int_\Omega \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) d\mu = 0 \). Hence, \( \mu(\{\omega\}) = 0 \) and \( \delta_\omega \ll \mu \) for all \( \mu \in \mathcal{Q} \), implying that (ii) does not hold. The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Theorem 2.4 (partially adapted from Theorem 3.4 of Bouchard and Nutz (2015))** Let us first prove statement (i). Suppose that \( \phi(f) = -\infty \), then for all \( n \geq 1 \), there exists \( y_n \in \mathbb{R}^m \) such that \( -n + \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) \geq f \), which implies that
\[
\langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) \geq f + n \geq \min\{f + n, 1\},
\]
and thus \( \min\{f + n, 1\} \in \mathcal{C} \) where \( \mathcal{C} \) is the set of super-replicable payoff functions defined in (EC.4.2). By Lemma EC.4.1 \( \lim_{n \to \infty} \min\{f + n, 1\} = 1 \in \mathcal{C} \), which is a contradiction to Assumption 2.1.

Next, let us prove statement (ii) by showing the existence of \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) such that \( \phi(f) + \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq f \). If \( \phi(f) = +\infty \), the claim holds trivially. If \( \phi(f) \) is finite, then for all \( n \geq 1 \), there exists \( y_n \in \mathbb{R}^m \) such that
\[
\phi(f) + \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) \geq f.
\]
R\(^m\) such that \(\phi(f) + \frac{1}{n} + \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) \geq f\), which implies that \(f - \phi(f) - \frac{1}{n} \in \mathcal{C}\). By Lemma EC.4.1, \(f - \phi(f) = \lim_{n \to \infty} f - \phi(f) - \frac{1}{n} \in \mathcal{C}\), hence there exists \(y \in R^m\) such that \(\phi(f) + \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq f\).

Finally, let us prove statement (iii), that is, the duality (2.3). Assume first that \(f\) is bounded from above. This part of the proof is based on the semi-infinite generalization of Fenchel’s Duality Theorem by Borwein and Lewis [1992]. Let \(\mathcal{M}(\Omega)\) denote the set of finite signed Borel measures on \(\Omega\). Let

\[
\tilde{\mathcal{M}} := \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) : \int_\Omega \left( \sum_{j=1}^m |g_j| \right) d|\mu| < \infty \right\},
\]

\[
\tilde{\mathcal{M}}^* := \left\{ h : \Omega \to \mathbb{R} \text{ is Borel measurable : } |h| \leq \alpha \left( \sum_{j=1}^m |g_j| + 1 \right) \text{ for some } \alpha > 0 \right\},
\]

where \(|\mu|\) denotes the total variation of the signed measure \(\mu\). For \(\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}\) and \(h \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}^*\), define

\[
\langle h, \mu \rangle := \int_\Omega h d\mu < \infty.
\]

\(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}\) is a locally convex topological vector space equipped with the \(\sigma(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}, \tilde{\mathcal{M}}^*)\) topology. Let \(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+ := \{ \mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}} : \mu \text{ is a positive measure} \}\). For \(\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}\), let

\[
F(\mu) := \begin{cases} \int_\Omega (-f) d\mu, & \text{if } \mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+, \\ \infty, & \text{if } \mu \notin \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+ \end{cases}
\]

which is convex and proper since \(-f\) is bounded from below. For \(h \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}^*\), let

\[
F^*(h) := \sup_{\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \{ \langle h, \mu \rangle - F(\mu) \}
\]

\[
= \sup_{\mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+} \left\{ \int_\Omega h + f d\mu \right\}
\]

\[
= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -h(\omega) \geq f(\omega) \forall \omega \in \Omega, \\ \infty & \text{if } \exists \omega \in \Omega, -h(\omega) < f(\omega), \end{cases}
\]

where the last equality holds because \(\gamma \delta_\omega \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+\) for all \(\omega \in \Omega\) and \(\gamma > 0\). Let \(G : \tilde{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathbb{R}^{m+1}\) be defined as follows,

\[
G(\mu) := \left( \int_\Omega 1 d\mu, \int_\Omega g_1 d\mu, \ldots, \int_\Omega g_m d\mu \right)^T.
\]

\(G\) is linear and \(\sigma(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}, \tilde{\mathcal{M}}^*)\)-continuous by definition. Let \(G^T\) be the adjoint of \(G\), defined as

\[
G^T : \mathbb{R}^{m+1} \to \tilde{\mathcal{M}}^*
\]

\[
\lambda \mapsto G^T \lambda = [\lambda]_1 + [\lambda]_{2:m+1}, g).
\]

Let us denote \([\lambda]_1 \in \mathbb{R}\) by \(c\) and denote \([\lambda]_{2:m+1} \in \mathbb{R}^m\) by \(y\). Thus,

\[
G^T \lambda = c + \langle y, g \rangle.
\]
Let $\Delta := \{1\} \times \Delta \subset \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$. Let $\chi_\Delta$ be the characteristic function of $\Delta$, that is,

$$
\chi_\Delta(q) := \begin{cases} 
0, & \text{if } q \in \Delta, \\
\infty, & \text{if } q \notin \Delta.
\end{cases}
$$

(EC.4.13)

Let $\hat{\Delta}$ be the convex conjugate of $\chi_\Delta$, which is given by

$$
\chi^*_{\hat{\Delta}}(\lambda) = \sup_{q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}} \{\langle \lambda, q \rangle - \chi_\Delta(q)\} = [\lambda]_1 + \pi(\lambda_{[2:m+1]})
$$

(EC.4.14)

Let $\phi^D(f)$ denote the right-hand side of (2.3). By definitions (EC.4.9), (EC.4.11) and (EC.4.13), $\phi^D(f)$ can be equivalently expressed as follows,

$$
\phi^D(f) := \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu
= - \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+} \left\{ \int_{\Omega} (-f) d\mu + \chi_\Delta(G(\mu)) \right\}
= - \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}} \left\{ F(\mu) + \chi_\Delta(G(\mu)) \right\}.
$$

It holds that $\chi_\Delta$ is convex and proper in $\mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ and $F$ is convex and proper in $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$. By Theorem 4.2 of Borwein and Lewis (1992), the following duality holds under the additional constraint qualification that $\text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F)) \cap \text{dom } \chi_\Delta \neq \emptyset$ (notice that $\chi_\Delta$ is a polyhedral function since its epigraph is a polyhedral set),

$$
-\phi^D(f) = \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{M}} \left\{ F(\mu) + \chi_\Delta(G(\mu)) \right\}
= \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}} \left\{ -F^*(-G^T \lambda) - \chi^*_{\hat{\Delta}}(\lambda) \right\}
= \sup \left\{ -c - \pi(y) : c \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f \right\}
= - \inf \left\{ c + \pi(y) : c \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f \right\} = -\phi(f),
$$

where the third equality follows from definitions (EC.4.10), (EC.4.12) and (EC.4.14). Hence, we only need to show that the constraint qualification $\text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F)) \cap \text{dom } \chi_\Delta \neq \emptyset$ holds. It holds that

$$
\text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F)) \cap \text{dom } \chi_\Delta = \text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F)) \cap (\{1\} \times \mathbb{R}^m) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \Delta)
= \text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F) \cap (\{1\} \times \mathbb{R}^m)) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \Delta).
$$

Since

$$
\text{dom } F = \left\{ \mu \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_+ : \int_{\Omega} (-f) d\mu < \infty \right\}
\supseteq \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) : \mu \geq 0, \int_{\Omega} |f| + \sum_{j=1}^m |g_j| d\mu < \infty \right\},
$$
we have
\[
G(\text{dom } F) \cap (\{1\} \times \mathbb{R}^m) \supseteq G \left( \left\{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega) : \mu \geq 0, \mu(\Omega) = 1, \int_{\Omega} |f| + \sum_{j=1}^{m} |g_j| d\mu < \infty \right\} \right)
\]
\[
= G(\hat{\mathcal{P}}) = \{1\} \times \Gamma.
\]

Since \(\text{relint}(\{1\} \times \Gamma) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \Delta) = \{1\} \times (\text{relint}(\Gamma) \cap \Delta)\), which is non-empty by Lemma [EC.4.2], we have that \(\text{relint}(G(\text{dom } F)) \cap \text{dom } \chi_{\Delta} \supseteq \text{relint}(\{1\} \times \Gamma) \cap (\mathbb{R} \times \Delta) \neq \emptyset\) and the constraint qualification holds.

Now suppose that \(f\) is unbounded from above. Then it holds that for all \(n \geq 1\),
\[
\phi(\min\{f, n\}) = \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} \min\{f, n\} d\mu. \tag{EC.4.15}
\]

On the one hand,
\[
\limsup_{n \to \infty} \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} \min\{f, n\} d\mu \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu. \tag{EC.4.16}
\]

On the other hand, observe that \(\limsup_{n \to \infty} \phi(\min\{f, n\}) =: \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}\). If \(\alpha = \infty\), then by [EC.4.16] and [EC.4.15],
\[
\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu \geq \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} \min\{f, n\} d\mu = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \phi(\min\{f, n\}) = \infty,
\]
and both sides of (2.3) are equal to \(\infty\). Hence, we focus on the case where \(\alpha < \infty\). Note that there exists \(y_n \in \mathbb{R}^m\) such that \(\alpha + \langle y_n, g \rangle - \pi(y_n) \geq \min\{f, n\}\) by statement (ii). It follows that \(\min\{f, n\} - \alpha \in \mathcal{C}\) and hence \(f - \alpha = \lim_{n \to \infty} \min\{f, n\} - \alpha \in \mathcal{C}\) by Lemma [EC.4.1]. Therefore, there exists \(y \in \mathbb{R}^m\) such that \(\alpha + \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq f\), and it hence holds that \(\alpha \geq \phi(f)\). Consequently, we have by [EC.4.16] and [EC.4.15] that
\[
\phi(f) \leq \alpha = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \phi(\min\{f, n\}) = \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} \min\{f, n\} d\mu \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}, \Omega} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu.
\]

The reverse direction \(\phi(f) \geq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu\) is easier to verify. Suppose that \(\phi(f) < \infty\), since otherwise \(\phi(f) \geq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu\) holds trivially. For any \(c \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^m\) such that \(c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f\), and any \(\mu \in \mathcal{Q}\), the following holds:
\[
c + \pi(y) = c + \sup_{q \in \Delta} \langle y, q \rangle \geq \int_{\Omega} c + \langle y, g \rangle d\mu \geq \int_{\Omega} f d\mu.
\]

Taking the infimum over all \(c \in \mathbb{R}, y \in \mathbb{R}^m\) such that \(c + \langle y, g \rangle \geq f\) and taking the supremum over all \(\mu \in \mathcal{Q}\) gives \(\phi(f) \geq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{Q}} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu\). It follows that (2.3) holds. The proof is now complete.
Proof of Proposition [EC.1.3] Suppose that Assumption 2.1 does not hold, and there exist \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) and \( \tilde{\omega} \in \Omega \) such that \( \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) \geq 0 \) and \( \langle y, g(\tilde{\omega}) \rangle - \pi(y) = \alpha > 0 \). By the continuity of \( g \), there exists an open set \( E \subset \Omega \) such that \( \tilde{\omega} \in E \) and \( \langle y, g(\omega) \rangle - \pi(y) > \frac{\alpha}{2} \) for all \( \omega \in E \). Since \( \hat{\mu} \) is equivalent to the Lebesgue measure on \( \Omega \), we have \( \hat{\mu}(E) > 0 \), and thus

\[
\int \langle y, g \rangle - \pi(y) d\hat{\mu} \geq \int \frac{\alpha}{2} 1_E d\hat{\mu} = \frac{\alpha}{2} \hat{\mu}(E) > 0.
\]

This implies that \( \int \langle y, g \rangle d\hat{\mu} > \pi(y) \). However, since \( \hat{\mu} \in \mathcal{Q} \), we also have \( \int g d\hat{\mu} \in \Delta \), therefore \( \int \langle y, g \rangle d\hat{\mu} \leq \sup_{q \in \Delta} \langle y, q \rangle = \pi(y) \), which is a contradiction. The proof is now complete.

Appendix EC.5: Proofs of auxiliary results related to the numerical methods

Proof of Lemma [EC.2.2] Property (i) is immediately clear from Definition 3.1. To prove the property (ii), suppose that \( h \) has the form in (3.2). Notice that each term in (3.2) can be written as follows,

\[
\xi_k \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \} = \begin{cases} 
\langle \xi_k a_{k,1}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,1}, & \text{if } x \in \Omega_{k,1}, \\
\vdots & \\
\langle \xi_k a_{k,1}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,1}, & \text{if } x \in \Omega_{k,k}, 
\end{cases}
\]

where \( \Omega_{k,i} := \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ : \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} \geq \langle a_{k,i'}, x \rangle + b_{k,i'} \forall 1 \leq i' \leq I_k \} \) is a polyhedron (if non-empty) in \( \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) and \( \bigcup_{i=1}^{I_k} \Omega_{k,i} = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Moreover, \( \text{int}(\Omega_{k,i}) = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ : \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} > \langle a_{k,i'}, x \rangle + b_{k,i'} \forall 1 \leq i' \leq I_k \} \). Thus, for \( i \neq i' \), \( \text{int}(\Omega_{k,i}) \cap \text{int}(\Omega_{k,i'}) = \emptyset \). If \( x \in \Omega_{k,i} \cap \Omega_{k,i'} \), then by the definition of \( \Omega_{k,i} \) and \( \Omega_{k,i'} \) we have \( \langle \xi_k a_{k,i}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,i} = \langle \xi_k a_{k,i'}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,i'} \). Let \( \mathcal{I} := \{ (i_k)_{k=1,K} : 1 \leq i_k \leq I_k \} \). \( h \) can be decomposed into \( |\mathcal{I}| = \prod_{k=1}^{K} I_k \) cases and expressed by the following local representation (note that for some cases the corresponding set can be empty):

\[
h(x) = \begin{cases} 
\langle \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k a_{k,1}, x \rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k b_{k,1}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{K} \Omega_{k,1}, \\
\vdots & \\
\langle \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k a_{k,i_k}, x \rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k b_{k,i_k}, & \text{if } x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{K} \Omega_{k,i_k}, 
\end{cases}
\]

(EC.5.1)

Let \( \Omega_{(i)_{k}} := \bigcap_{k=1}^{K} \Omega_{k,i_k} \). It is straightforward to verify that for each \( (i_k) \in \mathcal{I}, \Omega_{(i)_{k}} \) is a polyhedron (if non-empty), and \( \bigcup_{(i_k) \in \mathcal{I}} \Omega_{(i)_{k}} = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Let \( (i_k) \in \mathcal{I}, (i'_{k}) \in \mathcal{I} \). If \( i_j \neq i'_j \) for some \( j \in \{1, \ldots, K \} \), then \( \text{int}(\Omega_{(i)_{k}}) \cap \text{int}(\Omega_{(i')_{k}}) \subset \text{int}(\Omega_{j,i_j}) \cap \text{int}(\Omega_{j,i'_j}) = \emptyset \). If \( x \in \Omega_{(i)_{k}} \cap \Omega_{(i')_{k}} \), then

\[
\langle \xi_k a_{k,i_k}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,i_k} = \langle \xi_k a_{k,i'_k}, x \rangle + \xi_k b_{k,i'_k}
\]
for all \( k = 1, \ldots, K \), thus

\[
\left\langle \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k a_{k,i_k}, x \right\rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k b_{k,i_k} = \left\langle \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k a_{k,i'_k}, x \right\rangle + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k b_{k,i'_k}.
\]

We have thus completed the proof of property (ii).

To prove property (iii), we divide the collection \( O := \{ \Omega_j : j = 1, \ldots, J \} \) of all polyhedra in the representation (3.2) into \( N := \{ \Omega_j \in O : \text{int}(\Omega_j) \neq \emptyset \} \) and \( O \setminus N \). We claim that \( \bigcup_{\Omega \in N} \Omega = \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Suppose that \( \mathbb{R}^d_+ \setminus \left( \bigcup_{\Omega \in N} \Omega \right) \neq \emptyset \). \( \bigcup_{\Omega \in N} \Omega \) is closed since it is a finite union of closed sets. Consequently, by property (ii), \( \mathbb{R}^d_+ \setminus \left( \bigcup_{\Omega \in N} \Omega \right) \) is a non-empty open set contained in \( \bigcup_{\Omega \in O \setminus N} \Omega \), which contradicts the fact that \( \bigcup_{\Omega \in O \setminus N} \Omega \) has empty interior. Hence, in the local representation (EC.2.1), it is sufficient to only enumerate over those polyhedra with non-empty interior, and we have proved property (iii). The proof is now complete.

Proof of Proposition EC.2.3 Let us first prove statement (i). Suppose that \( h \) has the representation (3.2). Notice that for fixed \( x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \) and \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), \( \gamma_k(t) := \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x_0 + tz \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \} \) is a CPWA function in \( t \) defined on \( \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Thus, there exists \( \bar{t}_k > 0 \) such that \( \gamma_k \) is an affine function on \([\bar{t}_k, \infty)\). Hence, for all \( t \geq \bar{t}_k \),

\[
\gamma_k(t) = \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x_0 + \bar{t}_k z \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \} + (t - \bar{t}_k) \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, z \rangle : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \}.
\]

Therefore, for \( \bar{t} := \max \{ \bar{t}_1, \ldots, \bar{t}_K \} \) and all \( t \geq \bar{t} \),

\[
h(x_0 + tz) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x_0 + tz \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \}
\]

\[
+ (t - \bar{t}) \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, z \rangle : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \}
\]

\[
= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max \{ \langle a_{k,i}, x_0 + tz \rangle + b_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I_k \} + (t - \bar{t}) \bar{h}(z).
\]

Let us suppose first that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) > -\infty \), that is, there exists \( \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \) such that \( h(x) \geq \alpha \) for all \( x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \). Thus, \( h(x_0 + tz) \geq \alpha \) for all \( t \geq 0 \), and it holds by (EC.5.2) that \( \bar{h}(z) \geq 0 \). The same reasoning applies for every \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \), and thus \( \bar{h}(z) \geq 0 \) for all \( z \in \mathbb{R}^d_+ \).

Conversely, suppose that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) = -\infty \). By Lemma EC.2.2(ii), \( h \) admits the following local representation,

\[
h(x) = \begin{cases} 
(\langle a_1, x \rangle + b_1, \text{ if } x \in \Omega_1, \\
\vdots \\
(\langle a_J, x \rangle + b_J, \text{ if } x \in \Omega_J, 
\end{cases}
\]

(5.3)
hence there exists a $j \in \{1, \ldots, J\}$ such that $\inf \{\langle a_j, x \rangle : x \in \Omega_j \} = -\infty$. By well-known results about polyhedra (see e.g. Theorem 19.1 of Rockafellar (1970)), the polyhedron $\Omega_j$ can be represented by its finite number of extreme points and extreme directions, that is,

$$\Omega_j = \left\{ \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v v + \sum_{z \in D} \zeta_z z : \lambda_v \geq 0 \forall v \in V, \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v = 1, \zeta_z \geq 0 \forall z \in D \right\},$$  \hspace{1cm} (EC.5.4)

where $V \subset \mathbb{R}^d_+$ is the finite set of extreme points and $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d_+$ is the finite set of extreme directions.

Given this representation, we have

$$\inf \{\langle a_j, x \rangle : x \in \Omega_j \} = \inf \left\{ \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v \langle a_j, v \rangle + \sum_{z \in D} \zeta_z \langle a_j, z \rangle : \lambda_v \geq 0 \forall v \in V, \sum_{v \in V} \lambda_v = 1, \zeta_z \geq 0 \forall z \in D \right\},$$

and thus,

$$\inf \{\langle a_j, x \rangle : x \in \Omega_j \} = -\infty \implies \exists z_0 \in D \text{ such that } \langle a_j, z_0 \rangle < 0. \hspace{1cm} (EC.5.5)$$

By the representation (EC.5.4), for fixed $x_0 \in \Omega_j$ and $z_0$ given by (EC.5.5), $x_0 + tz_0 \in \Omega_j$ for all $t \geq 0$ as $z_0$ is an extreme direction. Thus, by (EC.5.3), for all $t \geq 0$,

$$h(x_0 + tz_0) = \langle a_j, x_0 \rangle + b_j + t \langle a_j, z_0 \rangle.$$

Since $\langle a_j, z_0 \rangle < 0$, we have $\lim_{t \to \infty} h(x_0 + tz_0) = -\infty$. By (EC.5.2), we can conclude that $\bar{h}(z_0) < 0$. This settles statement (i).

To prove statement (ii), suppose that $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x) > -\infty$. Again by Lemma EC.2.2(ii), $h$ admits the local representation in (EC.5.3), hence $\inf_{x \in \Omega_j} h(x) > -\infty$ for $j = 1, \ldots, J$. For each $j$, $\Omega_j$ can be decomposed as in (EC.5.4) into the set of extreme points $V$ and the set of extreme directions $D$. By (EC.5.4) and the fact that $\inf_{x \in \Omega_j} h(x) > -\infty$, $\langle a_j, z \rangle \geq 0$ for all $z \in D$. Hence, there exists $x_j^* \in V$ such that $h(x_j^*) = \inf_{x \in \Omega_j} h(x)$. Therefore, there exists $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^d_+$ such that $h(x^*) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d_+} h(x)$. This settles statement (ii). The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Proposition EC.2.4** Statement (i) follows directly from Assumption 3.2, Definition 3.3 and Lemma EC.2.2(i).

To prove statement (ii), let us explicitly express $g_j$ for $j = 1, \ldots, m$ and $f$ as CPWA functions as in (3.2); for $j = 1, \ldots, m$,

$$g_j(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K^j} \xi_k^{g_j} \max \left\{ \langle a_{k,j}, x \rangle + l_{k,i}^{g_j} : 1 \leq i \leq J^j_k \right\}, \hspace{1cm} (EC.5.6)$$
where \( K^{g_j} \in \mathbb{N} \), \( I^{g_j}_k \in \mathbb{N} \) for \( k = 1, \ldots, K^{g_j} \), \( a^{g_j}_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( b^{g_j}_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R} \), \( \xi_k^j \in \{-1, 1\} \), for \( i = 1, \ldots, I^{g_j}_k \), \( k = 1, \ldots, K^{g_j} \),

\[
f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{K^f} \xi_k^f \max \left\{ \langle a^f_{k,i}, x \rangle + b^f_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I^f_k \right\},
\]

(\text{EC.5.7})

where \( K^f \in \mathbb{N} \), \( I^f_k \in \mathbb{N} \) for \( k = 1, \ldots, K^f \), \( a^f_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R}^d \), \( b^f_{k,i} \in \mathbb{R} \), \( \xi_k^f \in \{-1, 1\} \), for \( i = 1, \ldots, I^f_k \), \( k = 1, \ldots, K^f \). By Definition 3.3 and (EC.5.6), (EC.5.7),

\[
s_y(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} y_j g_j - f
\]

\[
= \sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{K^{g_j}} \xi_k^j y_j \max \left\{ \langle a^{g_j}_{k,i}, x \rangle + b^{g_j}_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I^{g_j}_k \right\}
\]

\[\quad - \sum_{k=1}^{K^f} \xi_k^f \max \left\{ \langle a^f_{k,i}, x \rangle + b^f_{k,i} : 1 \leq i \leq I^f_k \right\},
\]

which has the desired form in (EC.2.2). Notice that one may extract positive coefficients out of \( \max\{\cdot\} \) and combine terms to simplify this representation. The representation (EC.2.3) follows directly from (EC.2.2) and Definition 3.1. We remark that the number of terms in (EC.2.3) could be different from the number of terms in (EC.2.2) due to possible simplification. We have now proved statement (ii).

Statement (iii) is a direct consequence of Proposition EC.2.3.

Finally, to prove statement (iv), let us fix a \( y \) such that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d^+} s_y(x) > -\infty \) and express \( s_y(x) \) by (EC.2.2). Let \( \mathcal{I} := \{(i_k)_{k=1:K} : 1 \leq i_k \leq I_k\} \). Same as in the proof of Lemma EC.2.2(ii), \( s_y(x) \) has a local representation as in (EC.5.1), with \( \xi_k \) replaced by \( \langle y, w_k \rangle + z_k, \) over the finite partition \( \tilde{\mathcal{C}} := \bigcap_{k=1}^{K} \Omega_{k,i_k} : (i_k) \in \mathcal{I} \) of \( \mathbb{R}^d \), where \( \Omega_{k,i} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \langle a_{k,i}, x \rangle + b_{k,i} \geq \langle a_{k,i'}, x \rangle + b_{k,i'} \ \forall 1 \leq i' \leq I_k\} \). Notice that the partition \( \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \) does not depend on the value of \( y \), and each \( C \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \) is a polyhedron.

Let \( X^* := \bigcup_{C \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}} V(C) \), where \( V(C) \) denotes the finite set of extreme points of the polyhedron \( C \) given in (EC.5.4). Thus, \( |X^*| < \infty \), and by (EC.5.4), for each \( C \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \), there exists \( x^* \in V(C) \) (depending on \( y \)) such that \( s_y(x^*) = \inf_{x \in C} s_y(x) \). Let us choose \( \bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d \) with \( \bar{x} > 0 \) such that \( X^* \subset \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x}\} \). Subsequently, for every \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \) such that \( \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d^+} s_y(x) > -\infty \), we have \( \inf_{0 \leq x \leq \bar{x}} s_y(x) = \inf_{x \in X^*} s_y(x) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d^+} s_y(x) \). Let \( \mathcal{C} \) be the finite partition of \( \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x}\} \) defined by

\[
\mathcal{C} := \left\{ C \cap \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : 0 \leq x \leq \bar{x}\} : C \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \right\}.
\]

Notice that for every \( y \in \mathbb{R}^m \), the function \( s_y(\cdot) \) is affine when restricted to each \( C \in \mathcal{C} \), and thus \( \mathcal{C} \) satisfies all required properties. The proof is now complete.
Proof of Proposition EC.2.5 Let us first prove statement (i). Since

\[ \tilde{s}_y(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\tilde{K}} (\langle y, \tilde{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k) \max \left\{ (\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) : 1 \leq i \leq \tilde{I}_k \right\}, \]

we have for fixed \((i_k) \in \widetilde{I}\) and all

\[ z \in \left\{ z \in \mathbb{R}_+^d : (\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \geq (\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \forall i \in \{1, \ldots, \tilde{I}_k\} \setminus \{i_k\}, k = 1, \ldots, \tilde{K} \right\} \]

that

\[ \tilde{s}_y(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\tilde{K}} (\langle y, \tilde{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k)(\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z). \]

But

\[
\left\{ z \in \mathbb{R}_+^d : (\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \geq (\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \forall i \in \{1, \ldots, \tilde{I}_k\} \setminus \{i_k\}, k = 1, \ldots, \tilde{K} \right\} \\
= \left\{ z \in \mathbb{R}_+^d : (\tilde{a}_{k,i} - \tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \geq 0 \forall i \in \{1, \ldots, \tilde{I}_k\} \setminus \{i_k\}, k = 1, \ldots, \tilde{K} \right\} \\
= \text{dual} \left\{ (\tilde{a}_{k,i} - \tilde{a}_{k,i}, i \in \{1, \ldots, \tilde{I}_k\} \setminus \{i_k\}, k = 1, \ldots, \tilde{K} \setminus \{0\} \right\} \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d \\
= \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d. 
\]

By (EC.5.8), it is straightforward to verify that \(\bigcup_{(i_k) \in \widetilde{I}} \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d = \mathbb{R}_+^d\), and that if \((i_k) \in \widetilde{I}, (i'_k) \in \widetilde{I}, (i_k) \neq (i'_k)\), then \(\text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) \cap \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i'_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) = \emptyset\). We have thus expressed \(\tilde{s}_y(z)\) by a local representation as in Lemma EC.2.2(ii) over the partition \(\{ \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d : (i_k) \in \widetilde{I}\}\) of \(\mathbb{R}_+^d\). The last part of statement (i) is due to Lemma EC.2.2(iii). We have thus proved statement (i).

To prove statement (ii), let us fix \((i_k) \in \widetilde{I}\). By statement (i), \(\tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0\) for all \(z \in \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d\) is equivalent to \(\sum_{k=1}^{\tilde{K}} (\langle y, \tilde{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k)(\tilde{a}_{k,i}, z) \geq 0\) for all \(z \in \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d\). This is further equivalent to

\[
\sum_{k=1}^{\tilde{K}} (\langle y, \tilde{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k)\tilde{a}_{k,i} \in \text{dual}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) = \text{dual}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)} + \mathbb{R}_+^d)) \\
= \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d.
\]

Therefore,

\[ \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \ \forall z \in \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d \iff \exists u \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) \text{ s.t. } \sum_{k=1}^{\tilde{K}} (\langle y, \tilde{w}_k \rangle + \tilde{z}_k)\tilde{a}_{k,i} \geq u, \]

which is equivalent to the existence of \(\eta_{y(i_k)}^{(i_k)} \geq 0\) for each \(v \in A_{(i_k)}\) such that (EC.2.4) holds. We have now proved statement (ii).
Let us now prove statement (iii). Suppose first that \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)})) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d = \emptyset \). Since \( \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d \) is a polyhedral cone, it is contained in a \((d - 1)\)-dimensional subspace, say \( \{ w \in \mathbb{R}^n : \langle u_0, w \rangle = 0 \} \) for some \( u_0 \neq 0 \), which implies that both \( u_0 \) and \(-u_0\) are elements of \( \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d = \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d \). This implies that there exist \( u_1, u_2 \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) \) such that \( u_1 \leq u_0, u_2 \leq -u_0 \). Thus, \( u := u_1 + u_2 \leq 0 \), and \( u \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) \). This further implies that for each \( v \in A_{(i_k)} \), there exists \( \eta_v^{(i_k)} \geq 0 \) such that \( u = \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \eta_v^{(i_k)} v \), where \( (\eta_v^{(i_k)})_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \) are not all identically zero (otherwise we will have \( u_1 = u_2 = 0 \), and thus \( u_0 = 0 \)). We are allowed to scale \( (\eta_v^{(i_k)})_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \) by the same positive factor to make \( \eta_v^{(i_k)} = 1 \), thus condition (EC.2.3) holds.

Conversely, suppose that the condition (EC.2.5) holds, and let \( (\eta_v^{(i_k)})_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \) be given as in (EC.2.5). Define \( u := \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}} \eta_v^{(i_k)} v \). By (EC.2.5), \( u \leq 0 \). If \( u \neq 0 \), then \( u \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d \), and dual\((A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d \) is a subset of the subspace \( \{ w \in \mathbb{R}^d : \langle u, w \rangle = 0 \} \), thus \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) = \emptyset \). If \( u = 0 \), then let \( v' \in A_{(i_k)} \) such that \( \eta_v^{(i_k)} v' \neq 0 \) since \( 0 \notin A_{(i_k)} \), \( \eta_v^{(i_k)} v' \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d \), and

\[
-\eta_v^{(i_k)} v' = u - \eta_v^{(i_k)} v' = \sum_{v \in A_{(i_k)}, v \neq v'} \eta_v^{(i_k)} v \in \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d.
\]

Since both \( \eta_v^{(i_k)} v' \) and \(-\eta_v^{(i_k)} v'\) are elements of \( \text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d \), one can deduce that \( \text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d = \text{dual}(\text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d = \text{dual}(\text{cone}(A_{(i_k)}) + \mathbb{R}_+^d) \) is a subset of the subspace \( \{ w \in \mathbb{R}^d : \langle v', w \rangle = 0 \} \), thus \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) = \emptyset \). The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Proposition EC.2.6** Algorithm \( 0 \) guarantees that the linear constraint (EC.2.4) with auxiliary variables is included in the system of linear inequalities \( \tilde{\sigma} \) for every \((i_k) \in \tilde{I} \) such that the condition (EC.2.5) fails to hold. Proposition EC.2.5(iii) states that condition (EC.2.5) fails to hold if and only if \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) \neq \emptyset \). Hence, (EC.2.4) is included in \( \tilde{\sigma} \) for every \((i_k) \in \tilde{I} \) such that \( \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) \neq \emptyset \). Moreover, Proposition EC.2.5(i) implies that

\[
\bigcup_{(i_k) \in \tilde{I}, \text{int}(\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) \neq \emptyset} (\text{dual}(A_{(i_k)}) \cap \mathbb{R}_+^d) = \mathbb{R}_+^d.
\]

Consequently, Proposition EC.2.5(ii) and Proposition EC.2.4(iii) imply that

\[
y \text{ satisfies all constraints in } \tilde{\sigma} \iff \tilde{s}_y(z) \geq 0 \forall z \in \mathbb{R}_+^d \iff \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d} s_y(x) > -\infty.
\]

This completes the proof.

**Proof of Lemma EC.2.8** Let \( p \) denote the objective function of problem (EC.2.8). To prove Lemma EC.2.8, we show that each minimizer of problem (EC.2.8) gives a feasible point of problem (EC.2.7) with identical objective value and vice versa. Suppose that \((x^*, (\lambda^*_k), (\zeta^*_k), (\delta^*_k, i^*_k))\) is a minimizer of problem (EC.2.8) (which exists since (EC.2.8) is feasible and bounded, and...
can be considered as the minimum of a finite collection of LP problems, each corresponding to a feasible combination of binary variables \((\iota_{k,i})\). By the constraints of \((EC.2.8)\), for each \(k\) such that \(\xi_k = 1\), \(\lambda_k^* \geq \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\), and since \(\lambda_k^*\) is the minimum of such \(\lambda_k\), \(\lambda_k^* = \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\). For each \(k\) such that \(\xi_k = -1\), \(\zeta_k^* \geq \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\). By \(\iota_{k,i} \in \{0,1\}\) for all \(1 \leq i \leq I_k\) and \(\sum_{i=1}^{I_k} \iota_{k,i} = 1\), there exists a unique \(i^* \in \{1, \ldots, I_k\}\) such that \(\iota_{k,i^*} = 1\). Subsequently, \(\delta_{k,i^*} = 0\) and \(\zeta_k = \langle a_{k,i^*}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i^*}\) and thus \(\zeta_k^* = \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\).

We have

\[
\begin{align*}
p(x^*, (\lambda_k^*), (\zeta_k^*), (\delta_{k,i}^*), (\iota_{k,i}^*)) &= \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=1} \lambda_k^* + \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=-1} -\zeta_k^* \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=1} \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\} \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=-1} -\max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \xi_k \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\} \\
&= h(x^*).
\end{align*}
\]

Hence, \(x^*\) is a feasible point of problem \((EC.2.7)\) with identical objective value. Conversely, let \(x^*\) be a minimizer of problem \((EC.2.7)\). For each \(k\) such that \(\xi_k = 1\), define \(\lambda_k^* := \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\). For each \(k\) such that \(\xi_k = -1\), define \(\zeta_k^* := \max_{1 \leq i \leq I_k} \{\langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle + b_{k,i}\}\) and for \(i = 1, \ldots, I_k\), define \(\delta_{k,i}^* := \zeta_k^* - \langle a_{k,i}, x^* \rangle - b_{k,i}\). It is clear that \(\delta_{k,i}^* \geq 0\), \(\delta_{k,i}^* \leq M_{k,i}\) is guaranteed by the definition of \(M_{k,i}\) in \((EC.2.6)\). Let \(i^* \in \{1, \ldots, I_k\}\) such that \(\delta_{k,i^*}^* = 0\), and define \(\iota_{k,i^*}^* := 1\) and \(\iota_{k,i}^* := 0\) for all \(i \neq i^*\). It is straightforward to verify that \((x^*, (\lambda_k^*), (\zeta_k^*), (\delta_{k,i}^*), (\iota_{k,i}^*))\) is a feasible point of problem \((EC.2.8)\). Moreover, by our definitions

\[
\begin{align*}
h(x^*) &= \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=1} \lambda_k^* + \sum_{k=1}^{K, \xi_k=-1} -\zeta_k^* \\
&= p(x^*, (\lambda_k^*), (\zeta_k^*), (\delta_{k,i}^*), (\iota_{k,i}^*))
\end{align*}
\]

Hence, \((x^*, (\lambda_k^*), (\zeta_k^*), (\delta_{k,i}^*), (\iota_{k,i}^*))\) is a feasible point of problem \((EC.2.8)\) with identical objective value. The proof is now complete.

**Appendix \(EC.6\): Proofs related to the arbitrage removal process**

**Proof of Proposition \(EC.3.1\)** Suppose, for the sake of contradiction, that there exist \(y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}\) such that \((EC.3.3)\) holds but \((EC.3.4)\) does not hold. Let \(h : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}\) denote the left-hand side of the inequality in \((EC.3.3)\) as a function of \(x\), i.e.

\[
h(x) := \sum_{j=1}^{m} y_j^{\text{call}}(x - \kappa_j)^+ + y_j^{\text{put}}(\kappa_j - x)^+ - \pi(y_1^{\text{call}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{call}}, y_1^{\text{put}}, \ldots, y_m^{\text{put}}) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+.
\]
Observe that \( h \) is a continuous function which is piece-wise affine on intervals \([0, \kappa_1], [\kappa_1, \kappa_2], \ldots, [\kappa_{m-1}, \kappa_m], \) and \([\kappa_m, \infty)\). By our assumption, \( h \) is non-negative on \( \mathbb{R}_+ \) but is not everywhere zero. Hence, there exists \( \tilde{x} \in \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \overline{x}\} \) such that \( h(\tilde{x}) = \alpha > 0 \). By the continuity of \( h \), this implies that there exists an open interval \( E \subset \mathbb{R} \) with \( \tilde{x} \in E \), such that \( h(x) > \frac{\alpha}{2} \) for all \( x \in E \cap \mathbb{R}_+ \). Moreover, by the assumption that \( \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \overline{x}\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu) \), we have \( \tilde{x} \in \text{supp}(\mu) \) and thus \( \mu(E \cap [0, \overline{x}]) > 0 \). Hence,

\[
\int_{[0, \overline{x}]} h \, d\mu \geq \int_{E \cap [0, \overline{x}]} h \, d\mu \geq \frac{\alpha}{2} \mu(E \cap [0, \overline{x}]) > 0. \tag{EC.6.1}
\]

On the other hand, by \( \text{(EC.3.2)} \), it holds for \( j = 1, \ldots, m \) that

\[
y_j^{\text{call}} \int_{[0, \overline{x}]} (x - \kappa_j)^+ \mu(dx) \leq (y_j^{\text{call}} \lor 0) \overline{x}_j^{\text{call}} - (y_j^{\text{call}} \lor 0) \overline{x}_j^{\text{call}}, \tag{EC.6.2}
\]

\[
y_j^{\text{put}} \int_{[0, \overline{x}]} (\kappa_j - x)^+ \mu(dx) \leq (y_j^{\text{put}} \lor 0) \overline{x}_j^{\text{put}} - (y_j^{\text{put}} \lor 0) \overline{x}_j^{\text{put}}. \tag{EC.6.3}
\]

Adding up both sides of \( \text{(EC.6.2)} \) and \( \text{(EC.6.3)} \) and then summing over \( j = 1, \ldots, m \), we get \( \int_{[0, \overline{x}]} h \, d\mu \leq 0 \), which contradicts \( \text{(EC.6.1)} \). The proof is now complete.

**Proof of Proposition \( \text{EC.3.2} \)** Let \( \kappa_0 := 0 \) and \( \kappa_{m+1} := \overline{x} \). Let \( \tilde{g}_0, \ldots, \tilde{g}_{m+1} : [0, \overline{x}] \to \mathbb{R} \) be defined as follows:

\[
\tilde{g}_0(x) := \frac{(\kappa_1 - x)^+}{\kappa_1},
\]

\[
\tilde{g}_j(x) := \frac{(x - \kappa_{j-1})^+}{\kappa_j - \kappa_{j-1}} \land \frac{(\kappa_{j+1} - x)^+}{\kappa_{j+1} - \kappa_j} \quad \text{for } j = 1, \ldots, m,
\]

\[
\tilde{g}_{m+1}(x) := \frac{(x - \kappa_m)^+}{\overline{x} - \kappa_m}.
\]

One can check that for \( i = 0, \ldots, m+1 \) and \( j = 0, \ldots, m+1 \), it holds that

\[
\tilde{g}_i(\kappa_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases} \tag{EC.6.4}
\]

Consequently, for each \( j = 1, \ldots, J \), it holds that

\[
g_j(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \tilde{g}_i(x) \quad \forall x \in [0, \overline{x}]. \tag{EC.6.5}
\]

Now, let us fix some \( \mu \in \mathcal{P}([0, \overline{x}]) \) with \( \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \overline{x}\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu) \) and \( \int_{[0, \overline{x}]} g_j \, d\mu = \pi_j \) for \( j = 1, \ldots, J \). For \( i = 0, \ldots, m+1 \), let \( \tilde{\pi}_i := \int_{[0, \overline{x}]} \tilde{g}_i \, d\mu \). It follows from the assumption \( \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \overline{x}\} \subseteq \text{supp}(\mu) \) that \( \tilde{\pi}_i > 0 \) for \( i = 0, \ldots, m+1 \). Moreover, since \( \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} \tilde{g}_i(x) = 1 \) for all \( x \in [0, \overline{x}] \), it holds that \( \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} \tilde{\pi}_i = 1 \). Subsequently, let us define \( \tilde{\pi} \in \mathcal{P}([0, \overline{x}]) \) as follows:

\[
\tilde{\pi}(dx) := \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} \tilde{\pi}_i \delta_{\kappa_i}(dx), \tag{EC.6.6}
\]
where $\delta_{\kappa_i}(dx)$ denotes the Dirac measure at $\kappa_i$. Thus, $\text{supp}(\hat{\mu}) = \{0, \kappa_1, \ldots, \kappa_m, \pi\}$. Finally, combining (EC.6.5), (EC.6.6), (EC.6.4), and the assumption on $\mu$, we have for $j = 1, \ldots, J$ that

$$\int_{[0,\pi]} g_j \, d\hat{\mu} = \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \int_{[0,\pi]} \tilde{g}_i \, d\hat{\mu}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{m+1} \tilde{g}_i(\kappa_l) \tilde{\pi}_l \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \tilde{\pi}_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \int_{[0,\pi]} \tilde{g}_i \, d\mu$$

$$= \int_{[0,\pi]} \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} g_j(\kappa_i) \tilde{g}_i \, d\mu$$

$$= \int_{[0,\pi]} g_j \, d\mu$$

$$= \pi_j.$$

The proof is now complete.

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