

## DERIVATIVES

### TOPICS OF THE COURSE:

- Reviewing the Black-Scholes-Merton model.
  - Greek letters, replication/hedging, and no arbitrage for a generic derivative contract.
  - Pricing specific derivatives via partial differential equations and via riskneutral valuation.
- The forward contract.
- The log contract.
- The power contract.
- European digital options.
- European options.
- Pricing barrier contracts and American options.
  - The cash-at-hit contracts.
  - American options as cash-at-hit-contracts with an endogenous barrier.

### READING LIST:

- Lecture notes.
- I Steven E. Shreve (2004), Stochastic Calculus for Finance, Volume II: Continuous-Time Models, Springer-Verlag (Chapters 5, 6, and 8).
- John Hull (2008), Options, Futures, and Other Derivatives, 7th Edition, Prentice Hall (Chapters 12, 15, 17).