

Supplementary Material to “Robust Multiple Stopping — A Duality Approach”

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Abstract

This online appendix provides: (i) the proofs of our results and several auxiliary results; (ii) six additional tables.

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ONLINE APPENDIX

A Proofs and Auxiliary Results for Section 2

A.1 An Auxiliary Lemma on Sensitivity (P2) and the Proofs of Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2

We state the following auxiliary lemma:

Lemma A.1 (P2a) *If subadditivity (P1) applies, then sensitivity (P2) of ρ implies*

$$[X \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_t(X) \leq 0] \implies X = 0, \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathfrak{X}, \text{ and } t \in \{0, \dots, T\}. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Proof Let ρ be subadditive (P1) and sensitive (P2). Suppose $\rho_i(Y) \leq 0$ and $Y \geq 0$. Then, $-Y \leq 0$ and so, by subadditivity,

$$0 = \rho_t(Y - Y) \leq \rho_t(Y) + \rho_t(-Y) \leq \rho_t(-Y).$$

Hence, by (P2), $-Y = 0$, i.e., $Y = 0$ a.s. ■

Proof of Lemma 2.1. For $i = T$ the statement is trivial. Assuming that it holds for $0 < i \leq T$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{i-1}(M_{\tau_{i-1}}) &= \rho_{i-1}(1_{\{\tau_{i-1}=i-1\}}M_{i-1} + 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}>i-1\}}M_{\tau_{i-1} \vee i}) \\ (\text{by (C2) and (C4)}) &= 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}=i-1\}}M_{i-1} + 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}>i-1\}}\rho_{i-1}(M_{\tau_{i-1} \vee i}) \\ (\text{by (C3)}) &= 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}=i-1\}}M_{i-1} + 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}>i-1\}}\rho_{i-1} \circ \rho_i(M_{\tau_{i-1} \vee i}) \\ (\text{by induction}) &= 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}=i-1\}}M_{i-1} + 1_{\{\tau_{i-1}>i-1\}}\rho_{i-1}(M_i) \\ (\text{property of } \rho\text{-martingale}) &= M_{i-1}. \end{aligned}$$

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Proof of Lemma 2.2. For an arbitrary $X \in \mathfrak{X}$, and an arbitrary set $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$, we have, for any $i \geq t$,

$$\begin{aligned} \{\rho_\tau(X) \in A\} \cap \{\tau = i\} &= \left\{ \sum_{j=t}^T 1_{\{\tau=j\}} \rho_j(X) \in A \right\} \cap \{\tau = i\} \\ &= \{\rho_i(X) \in A\} \cap \{\tau = i\} \in \mathcal{F}_i, \end{aligned}$$

hence $\rho_\tau(X) \in \mathcal{F}_\tau$.

We next show (i) and (ii) in a joint induction. For $t = T$, both statements are trivial. Suppose they are true for $0 < t \leq T$. Now let $\tau \geq t - 1$ and define $\tau_1 := \tau \vee t$. Then,

$$\rho_\tau(X) = 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{\tau_1}(X). \quad (\text{A.2})$$

Thus, for any $X \in \mathfrak{X}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho_{t-1}(X) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) \\
(\text{by (C3) and induction}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{t-1} \circ \rho_t \circ \rho_{\tau_1}(X) \\
(\text{by (C2) and (A.2)}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{t-1} \circ \rho_t \circ (\rho_\tau(X) - 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X)) \\
(\text{by (C4)}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}(\rho_{t-1} \circ \rho_t \circ \rho_\tau(X) - 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X)) \\
(\text{by (C3) and (A.2)}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_\tau(X) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{t-1} \circ \rho_\tau(X) \\
(\text{by i) and (C6)}) &= \rho_{t-1} \circ \rho_\tau(X).
\end{aligned}$$

This settles the induction step for (i). For the induction step of (ii), let $X \in \mathcal{F}_\tau$ and $Y \in \mathcal{F}_T$. Then, $1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}X \in \mathcal{F}_{t-1}$. Indeed, for any $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ one has

$$\begin{aligned}
\{1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}X \in A\} &= (\{1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}X \in A\} \cap \{\tau = t-1\}) \cup (\{0 \in A\} \cap \{\tau > t-1\}) \\
&= (\{X \in A\} \cap \{\tau = t-1\}) \cup (\{0 \in A\} \cap \{\tau > t-1\}) \in \mathcal{F}_{t-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, also $X \in \mathcal{F}_{\tau_1}$ since $\tau_1 \geq \tau$. Hence, we have by (A.2)

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho_\tau(X + Y) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(X + Y) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{\tau_1}(X + Y) \\
((\text{C2}) \text{ and induction}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}X + 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}Y) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}(X + \rho_{\tau_1}(Y)) \\
((\text{C4}) \text{ and above argument}) &= 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}(1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}X + 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(Y)) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}(X + \rho_{\tau_1}(Y)) \\
&= X + 1_{\{\tau=t-1\}}\rho_{t-1}(Y) + 1_{\{\tau>t-1\}}\rho_{\tau_1}(Y) \\
(\text{by (A.2)}) &= X + \rho_\tau(Y).
\end{aligned}$$

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A.2 Auxiliary Results on the Robust Single Optimal Stopping Problem (2.3)

As is well-known, for the robust optimal single stopping problem, we may find an optimal stopping family $(\tau_t^*)_{t \in \{0, \dots, T\}}$ satisfying

$$Y_t^* = \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_t} \rho_t(H_\tau) = \rho_t(H_{\tau_t^*}), \quad t \in \{0, \dots, T\},$$

and, furthermore, the Bellman principle

$$Y_t^* = \max(H_t, \rho_t(Y_{t+1}^*)), \quad t \in \{0, \dots, T-1\}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

is satisfied (see e.g., Krättschmer and Schoenmakers [2] and Krättschmer *et al.* [3] for details).

Let us briefly recall the already existing (non-pathwise) additive dual representation for the optimal single stopping problem (2.3) (cf. Krättschmer and Schoenmakers [2] and Krättschmer *et al.* [3]), but with a different proof adapted to the goals in this paper and exploited later.

Proposition A.2 *Let ρ be a DMU satisfying (C1)–(C4) and let $M^* = M^{*\rho} \in \mathcal{M}_0^\rho$ be the unique ρ -martingale in the ρ -Doob decomposition of $Y^* = (Y_t^*)_{0 \leq t \leq T}$. Then the optimal single stopping problem (2.3) has an additive dual representation*

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_t^* &= \inf_{M \in \mathcal{M}_0^\rho} \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_T - M_j) \right) \\
&= \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_T^* - M_j^*) \right), \quad t \in \{0, \dots, T\}.
\end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Proof of Proposition A.2. For any ρ -martingale M and any stopping time $\tau \geq t$, we have by Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2 that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_T - M_j) \right) &\geq \rho_t (H_\tau + M_T - M_\tau) = \rho_t \circ \rho_\tau (H_\tau + M_T - M_\tau) \\ &= \rho_t (H_\tau - M_\tau + \rho_\tau (M_T)) = \rho_t (H_\tau), \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$Y_t^* \leq \inf_{M \in \mathcal{M}_0^\rho} \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_T - M_j) \right).$$

On the other hand, for the ρ -Doob martingale M^* it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} H_j + M_t^* - M_j^* &= H_j + \sum_{r=t}^{j-1} M_r^* - M_{r+1}^* \\ &\stackrel{\text{(by (2.5))}}{=} H_j + \sum_{r=t}^{j-1} \rho_r (Y_{r+1}^*) - Y_{r+1}^* \\ &\stackrel{\text{(Bellman)}}{\leq} H_j + \sum_{r=t}^{j-1} Y_r^* - Y_{r+1}^* = Y_t^* + H_j - Y_j^* \leq Y_t^*, \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_T^* - M_j^*) \right) &= \rho_t \left(\max_{j \in \{t, \dots, T\}} (H_j + M_t^* - M_j^*) + M_T^* - M_t^* \right) \\ &\leq Y_t^* + \rho_t (M_T^* - M_t^*) = Y_t^*. \end{aligned}$$

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B Proofs and Auxiliary Results for Section 3

B.1 Proofs and Auxiliary Results for Section 3.1

We state the following lemma:

Lemma B.1 *Suppose that ρ satisfies (C1)–(C4) and (P1). Then, for any adapted process H , any ρ -martingale M , and any stopping τ , with $T \geq \tau \geq t$ a.s. it holds that*

$$\rho_t(H_\tau) \leq \rho_t(H_\tau + M_t - M_\tau), \quad 0 \leq t \leq T.$$

Proof of Lemma B.1. Using Lemma 2.2 and the proof of Proposition A.2 one has

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_t(H_\tau) &= \rho_t(H_\tau + M_T - M_\tau) \\ &= \rho_t(H_\tau + M_t - M_\tau + M_T - M_t) \\ &\stackrel{\text{(by (P1))}}{\leq} \rho_t(H_\tau + M_t - M_\tau) + \rho_t(M_T - M_t) \\ &\stackrel{\text{((C4) and } \rho\text{-mart. prop.)}}{=} \rho_t(H_\tau + M_t - M_\tau). \end{aligned}$$

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Proof of Theorem 3.1. First we show that for any $t = 0, \dots, T$, any sequence of stopping times with $t \leq \tau_1 < \tau_2 < \dots < \tau_L$ a.s., and any set of ρ -martingales $M^{(1)}, \dots, M^{(L)}$, we have

$$\rho_t \left(\sum_{k=1}^L H_{\tau_k} \right) \leq \rho_t \left(\sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right). \quad (\text{B.1})$$

For $L = 1$, this statement boils down to Lemma B.1. Let us assume the statement is true for some $L \geq 1$. Take $0 \leq t \leq T$ and $t \leq \tau_1 < \tau_2 < \dots < \tau_{L+1}$ arbitrarily. Observe that (with $\rho_{T+1} := \rho_T$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho_{\tau_1} \left(\sum_{k=2}^{L+1} \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=t}^T \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau_1=j\}} \rho_j \circ \rho_{j+1} \left(\mathbf{1}_{\{j+1 \leq \tau_2 < \dots < \tau_{L+1}\}} \sum_{k=2}^{L+1} \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right) \\ (\text{by induction}) & \geq \sum_{j=\tau_1}^T \mathbf{1}_{\{\tau_1=j\}} \rho_j \left(\mathbf{1}_{\{j < \tau_2 < \dots < \tau_{L+1}\}} \sum_{k=2}^{L+1} H_{\tau_k} \right) = \rho_{\tau_1} \left(\sum_{k=2}^{L+1} H_{\tau_k} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

One may thus write, by Lemma 2.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho_t \left(\sum_{k=1}^{L+1} \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right) \\ &= \rho_t \left(H_{\tau_1} + M_t^{(1)} - M_{\tau_1}^{(1)} + \rho_{\tau_1} \left(\sum_{k=2}^{L+1} \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right) \right) \\ (\text{by Lemma B.1}) & \geq \rho_t \left(H_{\tau_1} + \rho_{\tau_1} \left(\sum_{k=2}^{L+1} \left(H_{\tau_k} + M_{\tau_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{\tau_k}^{(k)} \right) \right) \right) \\ (\text{by (B.2)}) & \geq \rho_t \left(H_{\tau_1} + \rho_{\tau_1} \left(\sum_{k=2}^{L+1} H_{\tau_k} \right) \right) \\ (\text{Lemma 2.2}) & = \rho_t \left(\sum_{k=1}^{L+1} H_{\tau_k} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which proves (B.1). As a corollary, we obtain

$$Y_t^{*,L} \leq \rho_t \left(\max_{t \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_L} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{j_k}^{(k)} \right) \right), \quad (\text{B.3})$$

where we note that for any set A of probability one has

$$\mathbf{1}_A \rho_t(X) = \rho_t(\mathbf{1}_A X) = \rho_t(X),$$

due to monotonicity (C1). Since the ρ -martingales $M^{(k)}$ are arbitrary, we thus arrive at

$$Y_t^{*,L} \leq \inf_{M^{(1)}, \dots, M^{(L)} \in \mathcal{M}_0^\rho} \rho_t \left(\max_{t \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_L} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{(k)} - M_{j_k}^{(k)} \right) \right). \quad (\text{B.4})$$

On the other hand, for the ρ -Doob martingales $M^{*,L-k+1}$, i.e., the martingale parts of the Snell envelope due to $L - k + 1$ exercise rights, we may write (with $j_0 = t$)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{*,L-k+1} - M_{j_k}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \left(M_r^{*,L-k+1} - M_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^L H_{j_k} + \sum_{k=1}^L \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \left(\rho_r \left(Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) - Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^L H_{j_k} + \sum_{k=1}^L \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \left(Y_r^{*,L-k+1} - Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^L \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \left(\rho_r \left(Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) - Y_r^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^L H_{j_k} + \sum_{k=1}^L \left(Y_{j_{k-1}}^{*,L-k+1} - Y_{j_k}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^L \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \left(\rho_r \left(Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) - Y_r^{*,L-k+1} \right) \\
&= Y_{j_0}^{*,L} + \underbrace{H_{j_L} - Y_{j_L}^{*,1}}_{\leq 0} + \sum_{k=1}^{L-1} \underbrace{\left(H_{j_k} + Y_{j_k}^{*,L-k} - Y_{j_k}^{*,L-k+1} \right)}_{\leq 0} \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=1}^L \sum_{r=j_{k-1}}^{j_k-1} \underbrace{\left(\rho_r \left(Y_{r+1}^{*,L-k+1} \right) - Y_r^{*,L-k+1} \right)}_{\leq 0} \leq Y_{j_0}^{*,L}.
\end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\max_{t \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_L} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{*,L-k+1} - M_{j_k}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \leq Y_t^{*,L},$$

while, due to (B.3),

$$\rho_t \left(\max_{t \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_L} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{*,L-k+1} - M_{j_k}^{*,L-k+1} \right) \right) \geq Y_t^{*,L}.$$

Thus, by monotonicity (C1) and \mathcal{F}_t -invariance (C6) we obtain (ii), and, by sensitivity (P2), we obtain (iii). Finally, (ii) combined with (B.4) yields (i). ■

B.2 Proofs and Auxiliary Results for Section 3.2

Proof of Theorem 3.4. Suppose that $\theta_i := \max_{i \leq j \leq T} (H_j - M_j + M_i) \in \mathcal{F}_i$ and define the stopping time

$$\tau_i := \inf \{ j \geq i : H_j - M_j + M_i \geq \theta_i \}.$$

By the definition of θ_i , clearly $i \leq \tau_i \leq T$ a.s. Hence, we have on the one hand

$$Y_i^* \geq \rho_i(H_{\tau_i}) \geq \rho_i(M_{\tau_i} - M_i + \theta_i) = \theta_i,$$

by the fact that $-M_i + \theta_i \in \mathcal{F}_i$, translation invariance (C4), and Lemma 2.1. On the other hand, we have $\theta_i = \rho_i(\theta_i) \geq Y_i^*$ due to Theorem 3.2, Eqn. (3.6). ■

Proof of Lemma 3.5. By writing

$$\theta_{i+} = \max_{i+1 \leq j \leq T} \underbrace{(H_j - M_j + M_{i+1})}_{\in \mathcal{F}_{i+1}} + M_i - M_{i+1}, \quad (\text{B.5})$$

and applying Theorem 3.4, we have

$$\theta_{i+} + M_{i+1} - M_i = Y_{i+1}^*. \quad (\text{B.6})$$

Then, (i) follows by applying ρ_i on both sides, using conditional translation invariance (C4) and the martingale property. Next, (ii) is obvious from (B.6). ■

Proof of Proposition 3.6. It is sufficient to show that

$$\rho_i(1_{\{|Y| \geq \epsilon\}}) \leq \frac{\rho_i(Y^2)}{\epsilon^2}. \quad (\text{B.7})$$

Indeed, one has by monotonicity and positive homogeneity,

$$\rho_i(Y^2) = \rho_i(Y^2 1_{\{|Y| \geq \epsilon\}} + Y^2 1_{\{|Y| < \epsilon\}}) \geq \rho_i(Y^2 1_{\{|Y| \geq \epsilon\}}) \geq \rho_i(\epsilon^2 1_{\{|Y| \geq \epsilon\}}) = \epsilon^2 \rho_i(1_{\{|Y| \geq \epsilon\}}).$$

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Proof of Lemma 3.7. Indeed, $\text{Var}_{\rho_i}(X) = \rho_i((X - \rho_i(X))^2) = 0$ implies, by (A.1), $X - \rho_i(X) = 0$, hence $X \in \mathcal{F}_i$. The reverse direction is trivial. ■

Proof of Theorem 3.8. Suppose that the assumptions of the theorem are satisfied. Fix an $i \in \{0, \dots, T\}$ and take an $\epsilon > 0$. Upon introducing an auxiliary time $\partial > T$ and setting $H_\partial = 0$, we next define the stopping time $\tau_i^{(n)} = \inf\{j \geq i : H_j - M_j^{(n)} + M_i^{(n)} \geq \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\} \wedge \partial$.

Then, with $M_\partial^{(n)} := M_T^{(n)}$, $n \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i^* &\geq \rho_i(H_{\tau_i^{(n)}}) = \rho_i(H_{\tau_i^{(n)}} 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} < \partial\}}) \\ &\geq \rho_i\left(\left(M_{\tau_i^{(n)}}^{(n)} - M_i^{(n)} + \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\right) 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} < \partial\}}\right) \\ &\geq \rho_i\left(M_{\tau_i^{(n)}}^{(n)} - M_i^{(n)} + \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\right) - \rho_i\left(\left(M_T^{(n)} - M_i^{(n)} + \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\right) 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}}\right) \\ &= \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon - \rho_i\left(\left(M_T^{(n)} - M_i^{(n)} + \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\right) 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}}\right), \quad \text{almost surely,} \end{aligned}$$

using subadditivity in the last inequality and translation invariance in the last equality. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) &\leq Y_i^* + \epsilon + \rho_i\left(\left|M_T^{(n)} - M_i^{(n)} + \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)}) - \epsilon\right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}}\right) \\ &=: Y_i^* + \epsilon + \rho_i\left(\left|U_i^{(n)}\right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}}\right), \quad \text{almost surely.} \end{aligned}$$

By (3.10),

$$\rho_i \left(1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) = \rho_i \left(1_{\{|\theta_i^{(n)} - \rho_i(\theta_i^{(n)})| \geq \epsilon\}} \right) \leq \frac{\text{Var}_{\rho_i}(\theta_i^{(n)})}{\epsilon^2} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} 0,$$

and since moreover by monotonicity $0 \leq \rho_i \left(1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) \leq \rho_i(1) = 1$, it holds that

$$\rho_i \left(1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) \xrightarrow{L^1} 0. \quad (\text{B.8})$$

Next, by subadditivity, monotonicity, and positive homogeneity, we have, for any $K > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) &\leq \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} 1_{\{|U_i^{(n)}| \leq K\}} \right) + \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} 1_{\{|U_i^{(n)}| > K\}} \right) \\ &\leq K \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) + \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{|U_i^{(n)}| > K\}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now Propositions B.2 and B.4 below imply that the family $(U_i^{(n)})_{n \geq 1}$ is also uniformly integrable in the sense of (3.11), i.e., there exists $K_{1,\epsilon}$ large enough such that

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{|U_i^{(n)}| > K\}} \right) < \epsilon,$$

hence

$$\mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\left| U_i^{(n)} \right| 1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right) \leq K_\epsilon \underbrace{\mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(1_{\{\tau_i^{(n)} = \partial\}} \right)}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ by (B.8)}} + \epsilon \leq 2\epsilon,$$

for $n > N_{K_{1,\epsilon}, \epsilon}$. Thus, since $\epsilon > 0$ was arbitrary,

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\theta_i^{(n)} \right) \leq \mathbb{E}Y_i^* + 3\epsilon.$$

On the other hand, as a consequence of Corollary 3.2, i.e., by the duality theorem for optimal single stopping of functionals satisfying (C1)–(C4) and (P1),

$$\mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\theta_i^{(n)} \right) \geq \mathbb{E}Y_i^*,$$

so it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(\theta_i^{(n)} \right) = \mathbb{E}Y_i^*.$$

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Proposition B.2 *Suppose $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$, and $(B_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy (3.11), i.e.,*

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(|A_n| 1_{\{|A_n| > K_\epsilon\}} \right) < \epsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}\rho_i \left(|B_n| 1_{\{|B_n| > K_\epsilon\}} \right) < \epsilon,$$

for K_ϵ large enough. If ρ_i is subadditive and positively homogeneous, then also $(A_n + B_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfies (3.11).

Proof of Proposition B.2. By (P1),

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}\rho_i(|A_n + B_n| 1_{\{|A_n+B_n|>2K_\epsilon\}}) &\leq \mathbb{E}\rho_i((|A_n| + |B_n|) 1_{\{|A_n|+|B_n|>2K_\epsilon\}}) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\rho_i(2|A_n| 1_{\{|A_n|>K_\epsilon\}} + 2|B_n| 1_{\{|B_n|>K_\epsilon\}}) \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E}\rho_i(|A_n| 1_{\{|A_n|>K_\epsilon\}}) + 2\mathbb{E}\rho_i(|B_n| 1_{\{|B_n|>K_\epsilon\}}) < 4\epsilon.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $A_n + B_n$ satisfies (3.11) as well. ■

Lemma B.3 *Assume (P1) and (P3). $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ (with w.l.o.g. $A_n \geq 0$) satisfy (3.11) if and only if*

(i) $\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n) < \infty$;

(ii) *For every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for all $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\rho_i(1_B) < \delta$, it holds that $\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n 1_B) < \epsilon$.*

Proof of Lemma B.3. (\implies) Let $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ (with w.l.o.g. $A_n \geq 0$) satisfy (3.11). Then, for any $n \geq 1$, by subadditivity, monotonicity, and positive homogeneity,

$$\rho_i(A_n) \leq \rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n \leq K\}}) + \rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) \leq K\rho_i(1_{\{A_n \leq K\}}) + 1 \leq K + 1,$$

for large enough K . So $\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n) \leq K + 1$, whence (i). Now let $\epsilon > 0$ and K be so large that

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) < \epsilon/2.$$

For any $B \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\rho_i(1_B) < \epsilon/(2K) =: \delta$ we then have

$$\rho_i(A_n 1_B) \leq \rho_i(A_n 1_B 1_{\{A_n \leq K\}}) + \rho_i(A_n 1_B 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) \leq K\rho_i(1_B) + \rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) < \epsilon.$$

(\impliedby) Let $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy (i) and (ii) for $\epsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$. For any $n \geq 1$ we have

$$\rho_i(A_n) \geq \rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) \geq K\rho_i(1_{\{A_n > K\}}),$$

so due to (i),

$$M := \sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n) \geq K \sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(1_{\{A_n > K\}}).$$

Hence,

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(1_{\{A_n > K\}}) \leq \frac{M}{K} < \delta,$$

if $K > M/\delta$. Thus, due to (ii), for all $n \geq 1$, and $K > M/\delta$,

$$\rho_i(A_n 1_{\{A_n > K\}}) < \epsilon.$$

■

Proposition B.4 *Let ρ_i be subadditive and positively homogeneous, and let $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy (3.11). Then $(\rho_i(A_n))_{n \geq 1}$ also satisfy (3.11).*

Proof of Proposition B.4. Due to Lemma B.3, (i) and (ii) apply for $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ and take $\delta > 0$ such that (ii) holds for $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$. Observe that

$$\rho_i(A_n) = \rho_i(\rho_i(A_n)) \geq \rho_i(\rho_i(A_n) \mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}) \geq K \rho_i(\mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}).$$

Hence,

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(\mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}) \leq \frac{1}{K} \sup_{n \geq 1} \rho_i(A_n) =: \frac{M}{K}.$$

Take K such that $M/K < \delta$. Then, for all $n \geq 1$,

$$\rho_i(\rho_i(A_n) \mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}) = \rho_i(A_n \mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}) < \epsilon,$$

since $\rho_i(\mathbf{1}_{\{\rho_i(A_n) > K\}}) < \delta$. That is, $(\rho_i(A_n))_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy (3.11). ■

Proof of Proposition 3.9. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E} \rho_i \left(\left| M_i^{(n)} \right| \mathbf{1}_{\{|M_i^{(n)}| > K\}} \right) &= \sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E} \rho_i \left(\frac{1}{\left| M_i^{(n)} \right|^\eta} \left| M_i^{(n)} \right|^{1+\eta} \mathbf{1}_{\{|M_i^{(n)}| > K\}} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{K^\eta} \sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E} \rho_i \left(\left| M_i^{(n)} \right|^{1+\eta} \right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } K \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

■

Proof of Theorem 3.10. For $L = 1$, this follows from Lemma 3.5. Now let us suppose that

$$\Theta_{i+}^q \in \mathcal{F}_i, \quad \text{for } q = 1, \dots, L+1, \quad 0 \leq i < T,$$

and that the theorem has been proved for $L \geq 1$. Then, by induction, we have (i) and (ii), and, with $j'_0 = j_1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{i+}^{L+1} &= \max_{i < j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_{L+1}} \sum_{k=1}^{L+1} \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{(L+2-k)} - M_{j_k}^{(L+2-k)} \right) \\ &= \max_{i < j_1} \left(H_{j_1} + M_i^{(L+1)} - M_{j_1}^{(L+1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \max_{j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_{L+1}} \sum_{k=2}^{L+1} \left(H_{j_k} + M_{j_{k-1}}^{(L+1-k+1)} - M_{j_k}^{(L+1-k+1)} \right) \right) \\ &= \max_{i < j_1} \left(H_{j_1} + M_i^{(L+1)} - M_{j_1}^{(L+1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \max_{j_1 < j'_1 < \dots < j'_L} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(H_{j'_k} + M_{j'_{k-1}}^{(L-k+1)} - M_{j'_k}^{(L-k+1)} \right) \right) \\ &= \max_{i < j_1} \left(H_{j_1} + \Theta_{j_1+}^L + M_i^{(L+1)} - M_{j_1}^{(L+1)} \right) \\ &= \max_{i < j_1} \left(H_{j_1} + \rho_{j_1}(Y_{j_1+1}^{*,L}) + M_i^{(L+1)} - M_{j_1}^{(L+1)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Next, since $\Theta_{i+}^{L+1} \in \mathcal{F}_i$, Lemma 3.5 implies

$$\Theta_{i+}^{L+1} = \rho_i \left(Y_{i+1}^{*,L+1} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad M_{i+1}^{(L+1)} - M_i^{(L+1)} = Y_{i+1}^{*,L+1} - \rho_i \left(Y_{i+1}^{*,L+1} \right).$$

Since (ii) holds for L by induction, i.e., $M_{i+1}^{(q)} - M_i^{(q)} = Y_{i+1}^{*,q} - \rho_i \left(Y_{i+1}^{*,q} \right)$, $q = 1, \dots, L$, and we have shown that $M_{i+1}^{(L+1)} - M_i^{(L+1)} = Y_{i+1}^{*,L+1} - \rho_i \left(Y_{i+1}^{*,L+1} \right)$, (ii) follows for $L + 1$. Thus, although (ii) (for L) is not used in the derivations above, (ii) (for L) is needed to conclude the statement (ii) for $L + 1$. ■

C Proofs of Section 4

We provide the following auxiliary lemma:

Lemma C.1 *A subadditive functional ρ_j satisfying (3.12) is Lipschitz continuous in L^p .*

Proof of Lemma C.1. For arbitrary $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathfrak{X}$ one has that $Z_2 - Z_1 \in \mathfrak{X}$ and $Z_1 - Z_2 \in \mathfrak{X}$, since \mathfrak{X} is a linear (sub-)space by assumption. It then follows, by subadditivity, that

$$\rho_j(Z_1) - \rho_j(Z_2) \leq \rho_j(Z_1 - Z_2) \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_j(Z_2) - \rho_j(Z_1) \leq \rho_j(Z_2 - Z_1).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} |\rho_j(Z_1) - \rho_j(Z_2)| &\leq \max(\rho_j(Z_1 - Z_2), \rho_j(Z_2 - Z_1)) \\ &\leq |\rho_j(Z_1 - Z_2)| + |\rho_j(Z_2 - Z_1)|, \end{aligned}$$

and so we have by (3.12),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} [|\rho_j(Z_1) - \rho_j(Z_2)|^p]^{1/p} &\leq \mathbb{E} [|\rho_j(Z_1 - Z_2)|^p]^{1/p} + \mathbb{E} [|\rho_j(Z_2 - Z_1)|^p]^{1/p} \\ &\leq 2C_p^{1/p} \mathbb{E} [|Z_1 - Z_2|^p]^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

■

Proof of Lemma 4.1. We may write $\mathcal{C}^N = \mathcal{C}^N + \rho_j(\mathbf{m}^N) = \rho_j(\mathcal{C}^N + \mathbf{m}^N)$. Then, (4.2) follows from (4.1) and the L^2 -Lipschitz continuity of ρ_j due to Lemma C.1. ■

Proof of Proposition 4.3. Let $\{\mathcal{B}_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a dense subset of $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_{j+1}, \mathbb{P})$ by separability. Take an arbitrary $\mathcal{E} \in L_{j+1,0}^2$. There thus exists a sequence (\mathcal{B}_{n_k}) with $\mathcal{B}_{n_k} \xrightarrow{L^2} \mathcal{E}$, for $k \rightarrow \infty$. Next, consider $\mathcal{E}_k := \mathcal{B}_{n_k} - \rho(\mathcal{B}_{n_k})$. Hence, by translation invariance, $\rho_j(\mathcal{E}_k) = 0$, i.e., $\mathcal{E}_k \in L_{j+1,0}^2$ for all k . By L^2 -continuity of ρ_j due to Lemma C.1 for $p = 2$, it follows that $\rho_j(\mathcal{B}_{n_k}) \xrightarrow{L^2} \rho_j(\mathcal{E}) = 0$, for $k \rightarrow \infty$, and so

$$\mathcal{E}_k = \mathcal{B}_{n_k} - \rho(\mathcal{B}_{n_k}) \xrightarrow{L^2} \mathcal{E}.$$

■

Proof of Theorem 4.4. Define $\bar{P}_j^{l,K,N} = \bar{M}_j^{l,K,N} - \bar{M}_T^{l,K,N} = -\sum_{r=j+1}^T \bar{\mathfrak{m}}_r^{l,K,N}$ and $P_j^{*,l} = M_j^{*,l} - M_T^{*,l}$. We first prove by induction that (4.13)–(4.14) hold together with

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \bar{P}_j^{l,K,N} = P_j^{*,l} \text{ in } L^2, \quad (\text{C.1})$$

for all $l = 1, \dots, L$ and $j = T, \dots, 0$. (4.12) then follows by noting that $\bar{P}_0^{l,K,N} = \bar{M}_0^{l,K,N} - \bar{M}_T^{l,K,N} = -\bar{M}_T^{l,K,N}$ so $\bar{M}_j^{l,K,N} = \bar{P}_j^{l,K,N} - \bar{P}_0^{l,K,N}$ and, analogously, $M_j^{*,l} = P_j^{*,l} - P_0^{*,l}$.

We perform a first, outer induction over $l = 1, \dots, L$ and, for each given l , a second, inner induction over $j = T, T-1, \dots, 0$. For the induction start, note that, for all $l = 1, \dots, L$, we have $\bar{Y}_T^{l,K,N} = H_T = Y_T^{*,l}$, $\bar{c}_T^{l,K,N} = 0 = c_T^{*,l}$ and, by construction, $\bar{P}_T^{l,K,N} = 0 = P_T^{*,l}$.

Assume now that (4.13)–(4.14) and (C.1) hold for a given l and $j+1 \leq T$. If $l > 1$, assume also that they hold for $l-1$ and all j . It follows from the Law of Large Numbers and, if $l > 1$, from the induction assumption for $l-1$ and $j+1$ that $\bar{\mathfrak{m}}_{j+1}^{l,K,N}$ and $\bar{c}_{j+1}^{l,K,N}$ converge a.s. to the projections of $\mathfrak{m}_{j+1}^{*,l}$ and $c_{j+1}^{*,l}$ on the spaces $\{\mathcal{E}_j^{(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{K'})} | (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{K'}) \in \mathbb{R}^{K'}\}$ and $\{\sum_{k=1}^{K''} \gamma_k \psi_k(X_j) | \gamma_k \in \mathbb{R}, k = 1, \dots, K''\}$. Letting $K = \min(K', K'')$ tend to infinity and using that both spaces form a basis, we can use Corollary 4.2 to conclude that (4.13) and (C.1) hold for j and l . It then follows directly from (4.6) (with l replaced by $l-1$) that (4.14) holds as well. This completes the double induction.

For simplicity, we drop the indexes K, N, n in the sequel. So we write $\bar{c}_j^l = \bar{c}_j^{l,K,N}(X_j^n)$. We let \bar{c}_j^l and $c_j^{*,l}$ be a set of approximate and true continuation functions, respectively, let

$$\bar{U}_j^l = f_j(X_j) + \bar{c}_j^{l-1}(X_j), \quad U_j^{*,l} = f_j(X_j) + c_j^{*,l-1}(X_j),$$

let \bar{M}_j^l and $M_j^{*,l}$ be a set of approximate and true ρ -Doob martingales, and let \bar{Y}_j^l and $Y_j^{*,l}$ be a set of approximate and true upper Snell envelopes. Then consider

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l \right) - Y_j^{*,l} = \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l \right) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l} \right) \\ & = \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l \right) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l} \right) \\ & \quad + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l} \right) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l} \right) \\ & \leq \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l - \left(\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l} \right) \right) \\ & \quad + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l} - \left(U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l} \right) \right) \\ & = \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l \right) + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1} \right) \\ & \leq \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left| M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l \right| + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left| \bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_j^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) &= \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l}) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \\
&= \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l}) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l}) \\
&\quad + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l}) - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \\
&= \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(U_r^{*,l} - M_r^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r' \leq T} (\bar{U}_{r'}^l - M_{r'}^{*,l}) \right) \\
&\quad + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} \left(\bar{U}_r^l - M_r^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r' \leq T} (\bar{U}_{r'}^l - \bar{M}_{r'}^l) \right) \\
&\leq \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (c_r^{*,l-1} - \bar{c}_r^{l-1}) + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{M}_r^l - M_r^{*,l}) \\
&\leq \max_{j \leq r \leq T} |M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l| + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} |\bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1}|,
\end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\left| Y_j^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \right| \leq \max_{j \leq r \leq T} |M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l| + \max_{j \leq r \leq T} |\bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1}|.$$

That is, by monotonicity and subadditivity,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\rho_j \left(\left| Y_j^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \right| \right) \\
&\leq \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} |M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l| \right) + \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} |\bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1}| \right). \tag{C.2}
\end{aligned}$$

By the first part of the theorem, the right-hand side in (C.2) goes to zero. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left| Y_j^{*,l} - \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \right) \right| = \left| \rho_j (Y_j^{*,l}) - \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \right) \right| \\
&\leq \rho_j \left(\left| Y_j^{*,l} - \max_{j \leq r \leq T} (\bar{U}_r^l - \bar{M}_r^l) \right| \right) \\
&\leq \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} |M_r^{*,l} - \bar{M}_r^l| \right) + \rho_j \left(\max_{j \leq r \leq T} |\bar{c}_r^{l-1} - c_r^{*,l-1}| \right)
\end{aligned}$$

tends to zero as well. (Here, the first inequality follows as, by monotonicity and subadditivity, $\rho(X) \leq \rho(Y + |X - Y|) \leq \rho(Y) + \rho(|X - Y|)$ yielding $\rho(X) - \rho(Y) \leq \rho(|X - Y|)$, and switching the roles of X and Y then gives the desired inequality.) ■

Proof of Proposition 4.5. We write, with $j'_1 := i$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Theta_i^q &= \max \left[\max_{i < j'_2 < \dots < j'_q} \left(f_i(X_i) + \sum_{l=2}^q \left(f_{j'_l}(X_{j'_l}) - \overline{M}_{j'_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j'_{l-1}}^{q-l+1} \right) \right), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \max_{i < j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_q} \sum_{l=1}^q \left(f_{j_l}(X_{j_l}) - \overline{M}_{j_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j_{l-1}}^{q-l+1} \right) \right] \\
&= \max \left[\max_{i+1 \leq j'_2 < \dots < j'_q} \left(f_i(X_i) + \overline{M}_i^{q-1} - \overline{M}_{i+1}^{q-1} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{l=2}^q \left(f_{j'_l}(X_{j'_l}) - \overline{M}_{j'_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j'_{l-1} \vee i+1}^{q-l+1} \right) \right), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \max_{i+1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_q} \overline{M}_i^q - \overline{M}_{i+1}^q + \sum_{l=1}^q \left(f_{j_l}(X_{j_l}) - \overline{M}_{j_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j_{l-1} \vee i+1}^{q-l+1} \right) \right] \\
&= \max \left[f_i(X_i) + \overline{M}_i^{q-1} - \overline{M}_{i+1}^{q-1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \max_{i+1 \leq j'_2 < \dots < j'_q} \sum_{l=2}^q \left(f_{j'_l}(X_{j'_l}) - \overline{M}_{j'_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j'_{l-1} \vee i+1}^{q-l+1} \right), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \overline{M}_i^q - \overline{M}_{i+1}^q + \max_{i+1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_q} \sum_{l=1}^q \left(f_{j_l}(X_{j_l}) - \overline{M}_{j_l}^{q-l+1} + \overline{M}_{j_{l-1} \vee i+1}^{q-l+1} \right) \right],
\end{aligned}$$

which is equal to (4.15). ■

D Proofs of Section 5

Proof of Proposition 5.3. The result represents a generalization of Theorem 21 in Krättschmer *et al.* [3]. Following the exact same lines of reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 4.4, we perform a first, outer induction over the exercise rights and a second, inner and backward induction over the exercise dates. This yields, from the Law of Large Numbers and the induction assumption, the a.s. convergence of the time-discretized upper Snell envelope and the corresponding continuation values and ρ -martingale increments to suitable projections on spaces that form a basis, as in Theorem 4.4.

Next, their L^2 -convergence when the time discretization $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ then follows from existing results on the convergence of solutions of discrete-time BSDEs (i.e., BSDEs) to solutions of continuous-time BSDEs; see Briand *et al.* [1]. This proves the stated result. ■

Proof of Theorem 5.4. First, $\mathbb{E} \left[\widetilde{Y}_0^{\text{low}, L} \right] \leq Y_0^{*, L}$ follows by (5.14). Second, the convergence statement follows by applying Proposition 5.3 and Theorem 4.4 three times. ■

Proof of Proposition 5.5. We write

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [U - \overline{M}_T^N] &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [U] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [\overline{M}_T^N] \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [U] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} \left[\int_0^T \mathcal{Z}_s^N dW_s^{\mathbb{Q}} + \int_0^T \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N d\tilde{N}_s^{\mathbb{Q}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \int_0^T \left\{ \mathcal{Z}_s^N q_s + \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N (\lambda_s - \lambda_{\mathbb{P}}) - g(s, \mathcal{Z}_s^N, \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N) \right\} ds \right] \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [U] + 0 + 0 = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}} [U],
\end{aligned}$$

where we used in the one but last equality that the convex conjugate satisfies

$$\sup_{q, \lambda} \{zq + \tilde{z}(\lambda - \lambda_{\mathbb{P}}) - g(t, z, \tilde{z})\} = 0,$$

as g is positively homogeneous. Moreover, this equality is attained above in $(q_s, \lambda_s - \lambda_{\mathbb{P}}) \in \partial g(s, \mathcal{Z}_s^N, \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N)$. ■

Proof of Theorem 5.6. First, $\mathbb{E} [\tilde{Y}_0^{\text{upp}, L}] \geq Y_0^{*, L}$ follows by (5.19). Second, the two convergence statements follow by applying Proposition 5.3 and Theorem 4.4 three times and two times, respectively. ■

Proof of Proposition 5.7. Fix $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Applying Itô's generalized formula yields

$$\begin{aligned}
&e^{\alpha t} |\delta Y_t|^2 + \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} |\delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N|^2 ds + \sum_{s \geq t: \delta Y \text{ jumps at } s} e^{\alpha s} (|\delta Y_s|^2 - |\delta Y_{s-}|^2 - 2\delta Y_{s-} \delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N) \\
&= e^{\alpha T} |\delta \xi|^2 + \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \left\{ 2\delta Y_s (g(\mathcal{Z}_s^N, \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N) - g(\mathcal{Z}'_s, \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}'_s)) - \alpha |\delta Y_s|^2 \right\} ds \\
&\quad - 2 \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N dW_s - 2 \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N d\tilde{N}_s \\
&\leq e^{\alpha T} |\delta \xi|^2 + \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \left\{ \mathcal{L}^2 |\delta Y_s|^2 + |\delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N|^2 + |\delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N|^2 - \alpha |\delta Y_s|^2 \right\} ds \\
&\quad - 2 \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N dW_s - 2 \int_t^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N d\tilde{N}_s,
\end{aligned}$$

using the Lipschitz continuity of g in the equality, and that $2ab \leq \mathcal{L}^2 a^2 + \frac{b^2}{\mathcal{L}^2}$ where \mathcal{L} is the Lipschitz constant of g in the inequality. Choosing $\alpha = \mathcal{L}^2$ and observing that

$$\sum_{s \geq t: \delta Y \text{ jumps at } s} e^{\alpha s} (|\delta Y_s|^2 - |\delta Y_{s-}|^2 - 2\delta Y_{s-} \delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N) = \sum_{s \geq t: \delta Y \text{ jumps at } s} e^{\alpha s} |\delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N|^2,$$

(which is the quadratic variation of the jump part of $e^{\alpha s/2}Y_s$) we obtain, for $t = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& |\delta Y_0|^2 + \int_0^T e^{\alpha s} |\delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N|^2 ds + \sum_{s \geq 0: \delta Y \text{ jumps at } s} e^{\alpha s} |\delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N|^2 \\
& \leq e^{\mathcal{L}^2 T} |\delta \xi|^2 + \int_0^T e^{\alpha s} \left\{ |\delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N|^2 + |\delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N|^2 \right\} ds \\
& \quad - 2 \int_0^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \mathcal{Z}_s^N dW_s - 2 \int_0^T e^{\alpha s} \delta Y_s \delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_s^N d\tilde{N}_s.
\end{aligned}$$

Taking expectations on both sides and cancelling the $\delta \mathcal{Z}$ and $\delta \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}$ terms corresponding to the quadratic variation yields the proposition. ■

E Additional Tables

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	0.9722	1.7389	2.3707	2.8969	3.3350
s.e.	0.0012	0.0018	0.0023	0.0027	0.0031
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4, L}$	0.9869	1.7603	2.3953	2.9235	3.3635
TE	0.0682	0.1046	0.1352	0.1631	0.1849
UB	1.0550	1.8649	2.5306	3.0866	3.5484

Table E.1: Bounds for $\delta_1 = 0$, $\delta_2 = 0$ and $J = 0.06$

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	0.9884	1.7727	2.4173	2.9625	3.4123
s.e.	0.0015	0.0025	0.0032	0.0040	0.0045
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4, L}$	1.0120	1.8091	2.4672	3.0184	3.4806
TE	0.0764	0.1102	0.1365	0.1586	0.1791
UB	1.0903	1.9221	2.6071	3.1810	3.6642

Table E.2: Bounds for $\delta_1 = \frac{1}{10}$, $\delta_2 = 0$ and $J = 0.06$

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	0.9999	1.8066	2.4640	3.0228	3.4831
s.e.	0.0021	0.0037	0.0049	0.0061	0.0071
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4, L}$	1.0370	1.8587	2.5407	3.1150	3.5996
TE	0.0747	0.1095	0.1413	0.1695	0.1942
UB	1.1196	1.9797	2.6969	3.3023	3.8142

Table E.3: Bounds for $\delta_1 = \frac{1}{5}$, $\delta_2 = 0$ and $J = 0.06$

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	0.9776	1.7484	2.3814	2.9123	3.3529
s.e.	0.0020	0.0033	0.0044	0.0054	0.0062
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4,L}$	1.0028	1.7907	2.4386	2.9790	3.4302
TE	0.0657	0.1003	0.1301	0.1569	0.1807
UB	1.0754	1.9015	2.5823	3.1524	3.6300

Table E.4: Bounds for $\delta_1 = 0$, $\delta_2 = \frac{1}{5}$ and $J = 0.06$

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	0.9929	1.7811	2.4296	2.9688	3.4244
s.e.	0.0023	0.0038	0.0052	0.0063	0.0072
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4,L}$	1.0275	1.8398	2.5113	3.0748	3.5483
TE	0.0740	0.1106	0.1395	0.1654	0.1875
UB	1.1093	1.9620	2.6655	3.2576	3.7555

Table E.5: Bounds for $\delta_1 = \frac{1}{10}$, $\delta_2 = \frac{1}{5}$ and $J = 0.06$

L	1	2	3	4	5
LB	1.0026	1.8031	2.4755	3.0091	3.4702
s.e.	0.0028	0.0049	0.0067	0.0081	0.0094
$\bar{Y}_0^{N_4,L}$	1.0536	1.8896	2.5848	3.1715	3.6676
TE	0.0749	0.1097	0.1420	0.1699	0.1947
UB	1.1365	2.0109	2.7418	3.3592	3.8828

Table E.6: Bounds for $\delta_1 = \frac{1}{5}$, $\delta_2 = \frac{1}{5}$ and $J = 0.06$

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