

# Maths 190

## Topics to be covered for the week of 13-17 February 2017

For this week, we aim to cover the following theories/concepts:

1. Continuation of Binomial Pricing of options (for both European and American-style derivatives)
  - (a) Pricing of European options by replication and no-arbitrage principle
  - (b) Risk-neutral valuation
  - (c) American-option valuation
2. Examples of options and futures/forwards on commodities (oil, metals, agricultural); energy derivatives; and financial contracts on weather-related underlying variables.
3. Elements of discrete-time stochastic processes These would include the discussion of:
  - (a) probability space
  - (b) random or stochastic process
  - (c) probability measure
  - (d) filtration
  - (e) general contingent claims
  - (f) conditional operator/conditional expectation
  - (g) previsible process
  - (h) martingales
  - (i) law of iterated expectations (or tower law)
4. Generalisation of the Cox-Ross-Rubinstein (CRR) model to an  $n$ -period framework