

# Polynomial Models in Finance

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# What this course is about

- ▶ Polynomial models provide an **analytically tractable** and **statistically flexible** framework for financial modeling
- ▶ New factor process dynamics, beyond affine, enter the scene
- ▶ Definition of polynomial jump-diffusions and basic properties
- ▶ Existence and building blocks
- ▶ Polynomial models in finance: option pricing, portfolio choice, risk management, economic scenario generation,...
- ▶ Examples: stochastic volatility, interest rates, credit risk

# Course Outline

Part I Definition and Basic Properties

Part II Existence and Building Blocks

Part III Financial Modeling

Part IV Stochastic Volatility Models

Part V Interest Rate and Credit Risk Models

## Some Literature

- ▶ Polynomial processes: [Wong, 1964], [Mazet, 1997], [Forman and Sørensen, 2008], [Cuchiero, 2011], [Cuchiero et al., 2012], [Filipović and Larsson, 2016], and others
- ▶ Polynomial models in finance: [Zhou, 2003], [Delbaen and Shirakawa, 2002], [Larsen and Sørensen, 2007], [Gouriéroux and Jasiak, 2006], [Eriksson and Pistorius, 2011], [Filipović et al., 2016], [Filipović et al., 2014], [Ackerer and Filipović, 2015], [Ackerer et al., 2015], [Filipović and Larsson, 2017], and others

This course is based on the **highlighted** papers. Most results in Parts I–III are from [Filipović and Larsson, 2017].

# Part I

## Definition and Basic Properties

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## Setup

- ▶ Filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P})$
- ▶ State space  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶  $E$ -valued jump-diffusion  $X_t$  with extended generator given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}f(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(a(x) \nabla^2 f(x)) + b(x)^\top \nabla f(x) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left( f(x + \xi) - f(x) - \xi^\top \nabla f(x) \right) \nu(x, d\xi) \end{aligned}$$

for measurable  $a : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^d$ ,  $b : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ , and Lévy transition kernel  $\nu(x, d\xi)$  from  $\mathbb{R}^d$  into  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|\xi\| \wedge \|\xi\|^2 \nu(x, d\xi) < \infty$



## Definition of Jump-Diffusion

- ▶ That is,  $X_t$  is  $E$ -valued special semimartingale, such that

$$M_t^f = f(X_t) - f(X_0) - \int_0^t Gf(X_s) ds \quad \text{is a local martingale}$$

for any bounded  $C^2$  function  $f(x)$ , [Jacod and Shiryaev, 2003, Thm II.2.42]

- ▶ Note: this holds for any  $C^2$  function  $f(x)$  such that, for any finite  $t$ ,

$$\int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(X_s + \xi) - f(X_s) - \xi^\top \nabla f(X_s)| \nu(X_s, d\xi) ds < \infty.$$

Indeed, then the term is in  $\mathcal{A}_{loc}^+$ , see [Jacod and Shiryaev, 2003, Thm II.1.8 and proof of Thm II.2.42]

# Polynomials on $E$

- ▶ **Polynomial on  $E$** : restriction  $p = q|_E$  of a polynomial  $q$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ Degree  $\deg p = \min\{\deg q : p = q|_E, q \text{ polynomial on } \mathbb{R}^d\}$
- ▶ **Space of polynomials** of degree  $n$  or less

$$\text{Pol}_n(E) = \{p \text{ polynomial on } E \text{ with } \deg p \leq n\}$$

has  $\dim \text{Pol}_n(E) \leq \binom{n+d}{n}$  with equality if  $\text{int}(E) \neq \emptyset$

- ▶ Ring of polynomials

$$\text{Pol}(E) = \cup_{n \geq 1} \text{Pol}_n(E)$$

- ▶ Multi-index notation

$$\mathbf{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_d) \in \mathbb{N}_0^d, \quad x^{\mathbf{k}} = x_1^{k_1} \cdots x_d^{k_d}, \quad |\mathbf{k}| = \sum_{i=1}^d k_i$$

# Definition of Polynomial Jump-Diffusion (PJD)

## Definition 1.1.

$\mathcal{G}$  is **well-defined on  $\text{Pol}(E)$**  if

1. Jump measure of  $X_t$  admits moments of all orders,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|\xi\|^n \nu(x, d\xi) < \infty \text{ for all } x \in E \text{ and } n \geq 2;$$

2.  $\mathcal{G}f(x) = 0$  on  $E$  for any  $f \in \text{Pol}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $f(x) = 0$  on  $E$ .

## Definition 1.2.

$\mathcal{G}$  is **polynomial on  $E$**  if it is well-defined on  $\text{Pol}(E)$  and

$$\mathcal{G}\text{Pol}_n(E) \subseteq \text{Pol}_n(E) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

In this case, we call  $X_t$  a **polynomial jump-diffusion (PJD) on  $E$** .

## Example

- ▶ State space  $E = \mathbb{R} \times \{0\}$ ,  $d = 2$
- ▶ The partial differential operator

$$\mathcal{G}f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{xx} f(x, y) + \partial_y f(x, y)$$

is not well-defined on  $\text{Pol}(E)$ :  $y$  vanishes on  $E$  but  $\mathcal{G}y = 1$

- ▶ Note  $\mathcal{G}$  is generator of  $dX_t = (dB_t, dt)$ , which leaves  $E$
- ▶ Positive maximum principle implies:  $\mathcal{G}$  is well-defined on  $E$  if for any  $X_0 = x$  in  $E$  there exists  $E$ -valued jump-diffusion  $X_t$  with generator  $\mathcal{G}$ , see [Filipović and Larsson, 2016, Lemma 2.3].

# Characterization of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

## Lemma 1.3.

Assume  $\mathcal{G}$  is well-defined on  $\text{Pol}(E)$ . The following are equivalent:

1.  $\mathcal{G}$  is polynomial on  $E$ .
2.  $a(x)$ ,  $b(x)$ , and  $\nu(x, d\xi)$  satisfy

$$b_i(x) \in \text{Pol}_1(E), \quad \text{drift}$$

$$a_{ij}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \xi_i \xi_j \nu(x, d\xi) \in \text{Pol}_2(E), \quad \text{modified 2nd characteristic}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \xi^\alpha \nu(x, d\xi) \in \text{Pol}_{|\alpha|}(E), \quad \text{jumps}$$

for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, d$  and all  $|\alpha| \geq 3$ .

In this case, the polynomials on  $E$  listed in property 2 are uniquely determined by the action of  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\text{Pol}(E)$ .

# Characterization of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

Proof.

Plug in polynomials  $p$  in  $\mathcal{G}p$  and collect and match terms ...  $\square$

# Properties of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $E$ .

## Lemma 1.4.

For any  $f \in \text{Pol}(E)$  the process

$$M_t^f = f(X_t) - f(X_0) - \int_0^t \mathcal{G}f(X_s) ds$$

is a local martingale.

## Sketch of proof.

Lemma 1.3 implies that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \underbrace{\left( f(x + \xi) - f(x) - \xi^\top \nabla f(x) \right)^2}_{\text{minimal degree} \geq 4} \nu(x, d\xi) \in \text{Pol}(E).$$

The lemma follows from [Jacod and Shiryaev, 2003, Thm II.1.33 and proof of Thm II.2.42].



# Properties of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions cont'd

## Lemma 1.5.

For any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists a finite  $C_k$  such that

$$\mathbb{E}[1 + \|X_t\|^{2k} \mid \mathcal{F}_0] \leq \left(1 + \|X_0\|^{2k}\right) e^{C_k t}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

## Sketch of proof.

Using arguments from [Cuchiero et al., 2012, Thm 2.10] or [Filipović and Larsson, 2016, Lemma B.1]. □



## Properties of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions cont'd

### Lemma 1.6.

For any  $f \in \text{Pol}(E)$  and finite  $c$  the process  $M_t^f \mathbf{1}_{\{\|X_0\| \leq c\}}$  is a martingale.

### Sketch of proof.

The compensator of quadratic variation of  $M_t^f$  is given by

$$\langle M^f, M^f \rangle_t = \langle f(X), f(X) \rangle_t = \int_0^t \Gamma(f, f)(X_s) ds$$

and  $\Gamma(f, f) \in \text{Pol}(E)$ , for the carré-du-champ operator  $\Gamma$ . The lemma follows from Lemmas 1.4 and 1.5. □

## Carré-du-Champ Operator

The carré-du-champ operator  $\Gamma(f, g)$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(f, g)(x) &= \mathcal{G}(fg)(x) - f(x)\mathcal{G}g(x) - g(x)\mathcal{G}f(x) \\ &= \nabla f(x)^\top a(x)\nabla g(x) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (f(x + \xi) - f(x))(g(x + \xi) - g(x))\nu(x, d\xi).\end{aligned}$$

It is related to the co-variation of  $f(X)$  and  $g(X)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}[f(X), g(X)]_t &= \int_0^t \nabla f(X_s)^\top a(X_s)\nabla g(X_s) ds \\ &\quad + \sum_{s \leq t} (f(X_s) - f(X_{s-}))(g(X_s) - g(X_{s-})),\end{aligned}$$

and its compensator by

$$\langle f(X), g(X) \rangle_t = \int_0^t \Gamma(f, g)(X_s) ds.$$

## Towards the Moment Transform Formula

- ▶ Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be polynomial on  $E$
- ▶ Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denote  $1 + N = \dim \text{Pol}_n(E) \leq \binom{n+d}{n} < \infty$
- ▶  $\mathcal{G}$  restricts to linear operator on  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$
- ▶ Fix a basis  $1, h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x)$  of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$ , denote

$$H(x) = (h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x))$$

- ▶ Coordinate representation  $\vec{p}$  of  $p \in \text{Pol}_n(E)$ :

$$p(x) = (1, H(x))\vec{p}$$

- ▶ Matrix representation  $G$  of  $\mathcal{G}$ :  $\mathcal{G}(1, H(x)) = (1, H(x))G$ ,

$$\mathcal{G}p(x) = (1, H(x))G\vec{p}$$

# Moment Transform Formula

## Theorem 1.7.

For any  $p \in \text{Pol}_n(E)$  we have that

$$\mathbb{E}[p(X_T) \mid \mathcal{F}_t] = (1, H(X_t))e^{(T-t)G}\vec{p}$$

is a polynomial in  $X_t$  of degree  $\leq n$ , for all  $T \geq t$ .

# Moment Transform Formula: Proof

## Sketch of proof.

Fix finite  $c$  and write  $A = \{\|X_0\| \leq c\}$ . By Lemma 1.6, the function  $F(s) = \mathbb{E}[(1, H(X_s))1_A \mid \mathcal{F}_t]$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} F(s) &= (1, H(X_t))1_A + \int_t^s \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{G}(1, H(X_u))1_A \mid \mathcal{F}_t] du \\ &= F(t) + \int_t^s F(u)G du, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $\mathbb{E}[(1, H(X_T))1_A \mid \mathcal{F}_t] = (1, H(X_t))e^{(T-t)G}1_A$ .

Now let  $c \uparrow \infty$ .



## Example: Scalar Polynomial Diffusions

- ▶ Generic scalar polynomial diffusion on interval  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t) dt + \sqrt{a + \alpha X_t + AX_t^2} dW_t$$

- ▶ Basis  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^n\}$  of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$
- ▶ Coordinate representation of  $p(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n p_k x^k$ :

$$\vec{p} = (p_0, \dots, p_n)^\top$$

- ▶ Matrix representation of  $\mathcal{G}$ :  $(n+1) \times (n+1)$ -matrix

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b & 2\frac{a}{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & 2\left(b + \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) & 3 \cdot 2\frac{a}{2} & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 2\left(\beta + \frac{A}{2}\right) & 3\left(b + 2\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3\left(\beta + 2\frac{A}{2}\right) & \ddots & n(n-1)\frac{a}{2} \\ \vdots & & & 0 & \ddots & n\left(b + (n-1)\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \\ 0 & \dots & & & 0 & n\left(\beta + (n-1)\frac{A}{2}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

## More Examples of Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

- ▶ Any affine process is a PJD
- ▶ Lévy driven GARCH diffusion:

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t) dt + X_{t-} dL_t$$

for a Lévy martingale  $L_t$

- ▶ Jacobi type processes on  $E =$  unit ball

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t) dt + \sqrt{(1 - \|X_t\|^2)} \Sigma dW_t$$

and more general diffusions on quadric (compact) sets in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

# Outline

Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

Affine Jump-Diffusions



## Definition of Affine Jump-Diffusion (AJD)

Let  $X_t$  be jump-diffusion on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  with generator  $\mathcal{G}$

### Definition 2.1.

$\mathcal{G}$  is **affine on  $E$**  if, for all  $x \in E$ ,  $u \in i\mathbb{R}^d$

$$\mathcal{G} \exp(u^\top x) = (F(u) + R(u)^\top x) \exp(u^\top x),$$

for functions  $F : i\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $R = (R_1, \dots, R_d)^\top : i\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ . In this case, we call  $X_t$  an **affine jump-diffusion (AJD) on  $E$** .

Note: this is a relaxed definition compared to [Duffie et al., 2003]

# Characterization of Affine Jump-Diffusions

## Lemma 2.2.

The following are equivalent:

1.  $\mathcal{G}$  is affine on  $E$ .
2.  $a(x)$ ,  $b(x)$ , and  $\nu(x, d\xi)$  are affine on  $E$ ,

$$a(x) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^d x_i a_i,$$

$$b(x) = b_0 + \sum_{i=1}^d x_i b_i,$$

$$\nu(x, d\xi) = \nu_0(d\xi) + \sum_{i=1}^d x_i \nu_i(d\xi),$$

for some  $a_i \in \mathbb{S}^d$ ,  $b_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , and signed measures  $\nu_i(d\xi)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

In this case,  $F(u)$  and  $R(u)$  are given by (write  $F(u) \equiv R_0(u)$ )

$$R_i(u) = \frac{1}{2} u^\top a_i u + b_i^\top u + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left( e^{u^\top \xi} - 1 - u^\top \xi \right) \nu_i(d\xi).$$

# Characterization of Affine Jump-Diffusions: Proof

Sketch of Proof.

Observe that

$$\frac{\mathcal{G}e^{u^\top x}}{e^{u^\top x}} = \frac{1}{2}u^\top a(x)u + b(x)^\top u + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left( e^{u^\top \xi} - 1 - u^\top \xi \right) \nu(x, d\xi)$$

and match terms..



# Affine are Polynomial Jump-Diffusions

## Corollary 2.3.

*If  $X_t$  is an AJD and  $\mathcal{G}$  is well-defined on  $\text{Pol}(E)$  then  $X_t$  is a PJD.*

# Affine Transform Formula

## Theorem 2.4.

Let  $X_t$  be an AJD on  $E$ ,  $u \in i\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $T > 0$ , and let  $\phi(\tau)$  and  $\psi(\tau) = (\psi_1(\tau), \dots, \psi_d(\tau))^\top$  solve the generalized Riccati equations

$$\begin{aligned}\phi'(\tau) &= F(\psi(\tau)), & \phi(0) &= 0 \\ \psi'(\tau) &= R(\psi(\tau)), & \psi(0) &= u\end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq \tau \leq T$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \phi(\tau) + \operatorname{Re} \psi(\tau)^\top x \leq 0, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq T, \quad x \in E,$$

then the affine transform formula holds,

$$\mathbb{E}[\exp(u^\top X_T) \mid \mathcal{F}_t] = \exp(\phi(T-t, u) + \psi(T-t, u)^\top X_t).$$

# Affine Transform Formula: Proof

Sketch of proof.

Drift of  $M_t = \exp(\phi(T-t) + \psi(T-t)^\top X_t)$  is

$$\mathcal{G}e^{\phi + \psi^\top X_t} = (-\phi' + F(\psi) - \psi' + R(\psi)^\top X_t)M_t = 0$$

and  $|M_t| \leq 1$ , hence  $M_t$  is a martingale. □

## Affine Transform Formula: Extension beyond $i\mathbb{R}^d$

Fact: If  $\phi(T - t, u)$  and  $\psi(T - t, u)$  have an analytic extension in  $u$  on  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^d$ , the affine transform formula

$$\mathbb{E}[\exp(u^\top X_T) \mid \mathcal{F}_t] = \exp(\phi(T - t, u) + \psi(T - t, u)^\top X_t).$$

holds for all  $u \in U$ , see [Duffie et al., 2003, Thm 2.16].

## Part II

# Existence and Building Blocks



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# Overview

- ▶ PJDs have great potential for financial applications
- ▶ What do we know about their existence? Uniqueness?
- ▶ This section shows results for polynomial diffusions
- ▶ Based on [Filipović and Larsson, 2016]

# Polynomial Diffusions: Ingredients

Ingredients:

- ▶ Drift function  $b : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $b_i \in \text{Pol}_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$
- ▶ Diffusion function  $a : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^d$  with  $a_{ij} \in \text{Pol}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$
- ▶ “Polynomial” operator on  $\mathbb{R}^d$

$$\mathcal{G}f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(a(x) \nabla^2 f(x)) + b(x)^\top \nabla f(x)$$

- ▶ State space  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$

# Polynomial Diffusions: Issues

Find conditions on  $a, b, E$  for

- ▶ **Existence** of  $E$ -valued solutions to corresponding SDE

$$dX_t = b(X_t) dt + \sigma(X_t) dW_t \quad (3.1)$$

for continuous  $\sigma : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  with  $\sigma \sigma^\top = a$  on  $E$

- ▶ **Uniqueness** in law for  $E$ -valued solutions to (3.1)
- ▶ **Boundary (non-)attainment** of  $E$

For applications: find **large parametric classes** of such  $a, b, E$

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# Towards Uniqueness: determinacy of moment problem

- ▶ Determinacy of moment problem: moments determine distribution
- ▶ Sufficient condition: finite exponential moments (analyticity of characteristic function at zero)

# Exponential moments

## Theorem 3.1.

If

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ e^{\delta \|X_0\|} \right] < \infty \quad \text{for some } \delta > 0 \quad (3.2)$$

and the diffusion coefficient satisfies the linear growth condition

$$\|a(x)\| \leq C(1 + \|x\|) \quad \text{for all } x \in E \quad (3.3)$$

for some constant  $C$ , then for each  $t \geq 0$  there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  with

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ e^{\varepsilon \|X_t\|} \right] < \infty.$$



# Uniqueness in law from moment problem

## Theorem 3.2.

Let  $X$  be an  $E$ -valued solution to (3.1). If for each  $t \geq 0$  there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  with  $\mathbb{E}[\exp(\varepsilon\|X_t\|)] < \infty$ , then any  $E$ -valued solution to (3.1) with the same initial law as  $X$  has the same law as  $X$ . In particular, this holds if (3.2) and (3.3) are satisfied:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ e^{\delta\|X_0\|} \right] < \infty \quad \text{for some } \delta > 0$$

$$\|a(x)\| \leq C(1 + \|x\|) \quad \text{for all } x \in E.$$

## Limits and an open problem

- ▶ Theorem 3.2 does not apply for geometric Brownian motion

$$dX_t = X_t dB_t$$

- ▶ Open problem: Can one find a process  $Y$ , essentially different from geometric Brownian motion, such that all joint moments of all finite-dimensional marginal distributions,

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_{t_1}^{\alpha_1} \cdots Y_{t_m}^{\alpha_m}]$$

coincide with those of geometric Brownian motion?

# Pathwise uniqueness for $d = 1$

## **Theorem 3.3.**

*If the dimension is  $d = 1$ , then uniqueness in law for  $E$ -valued solutions to (3.1) holds.*

## Combined result

Assume SDE (3.1) decomposes for  $X = (Y, Z)$  as

$$\begin{aligned}dY_t &= b_Y(Y_t) dt + \sigma_Y(Y_t) dW_t \\dZ_t &= b_Z(Y_t, Z_t) dt + \sigma_Z(Y_t, Z_t) dW_t\end{aligned}\tag{3.4}$$

### Theorem 3.4.

*Assume that uniqueness in law for  $E_Y$ -valued solutions to (3.4) holds, and that  $\sigma_Z$  is locally Lipschitz in  $z$  locally in  $y$  on  $E$ : for each compact subset  $K \subseteq E$ , there exists a constant  $\kappa$  such that for all  $(y, z, y', z') \in K \times K$ ,*

$$\|\sigma_Z(y, z) - \sigma_Z(y', z')\| \leq \kappa \|z - z'\|.$$

*Then uniqueness in law for  $E$ -valued solutions to (3.1) holds.*

# Stochastic invariance problem

- ▶ Existence of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued solution to (3.1) holds due to continuity and linear growth of  $b$  and  $\sigma$
- ▶ Existence of  $E$ -valued solution to (3.1) thus boils down to stochastic invariance of  $E$
- ▶ Assume  $E$  is basic closed semialgebraic set

$$E = \{p \geq 0 \mid p \in \mathcal{P}\} \cap M$$

where

$$M = \{q = 0 \mid q \in \mathcal{Q}\}$$

for finite collections of polynomials  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$

## Examples

▶  $E = \mathbb{R}_+^d$ :

$$\mathcal{P} = \{p_i(x) = x_i \mid i = 1..d\}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \emptyset$$

▶  $E = [0, 1]^d$ :

$$\mathcal{P} = \{p_i(x) = x_i, p_{d+i}(x) = 1 - x_i \mid i = 1..d\}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \emptyset$$

▶  $E = \text{unit ball}$ :

$$\mathcal{P} = \{p(x) = 1 - \|x\|^2\}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \emptyset$$

▶  $E = \mathbb{S}_+^m$ :

$$\mathcal{P} = \{p_I(x) = \det x_{II} \mid I \subset \{1, \dots, m\}\}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \emptyset$$

▶  $E = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^d \mid x_1 + \dots + x_d = 1\}$  unit simplex:

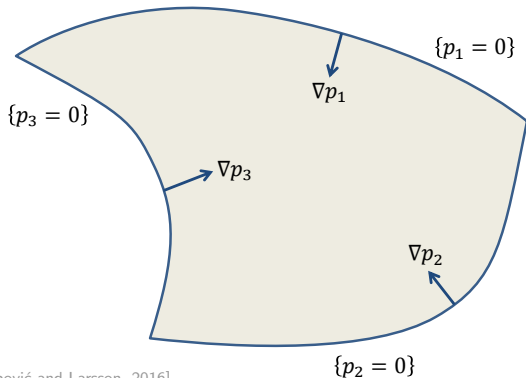
$$\mathcal{P} = \{p_i(x) = x_i \mid i = 1..d\}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = \{q(x) = 1 - x_1 - \dots - x_d\}$$

# Necessary conditions

## Theorem 3.5.

Suppose there exists an  $E$ -valued solution to (3.1) with  $X_0 = x$ , for any  $x \in E$ . Then

1.  $a\nabla p = 0$  and  $\mathcal{G}p \geq 0$  on  $E \cap \{p = 0\}$  for each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$ ;
2.  $a\nabla q = 0$  and  $\mathcal{G}q = 0$  on  $E$  for each  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ .



# Sufficient conditions

Geometry of  $E$ :

(G1)  $\nabla r(x)$ ,  $r \in \mathcal{Q}$ , are linearly independent for all  $x \in M$

(G2) the ideal generated by  $\mathcal{Q} \cup \{p\}$  is real for each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$

Conditions on  $a, b$ :

(A0)  $a \in \mathbb{S}_+^d$  on  $E$

(A1)  $a \nabla p = 0$  and  $\mathcal{G}p > 0$  on  $M \cap \{p = 0\}$  for each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$

(A2)  $a \nabla q = 0$  and  $\mathcal{G}q = 0$  on  $M$  for each  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$



## Some interpretations

(G1)  $\nabla r(x)$ ,  $r \in \mathcal{Q}$ , are linearly independent for all  $x \in M$

implies that  $M$  is submanifold of dimension  $d - |\mathcal{Q}|$ .

(G2) the ideal generated by  $\mathcal{Q} \cup \{p\}$  is real for each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$

(A1)  $a \nabla p = 0$  and  $\mathcal{G}p > 0$  on  $M \cap \{p = 0\}$  for each  $p \in \mathcal{P}$

together imply that  $a \nabla p = h p$  on  $M$  for some vector of polynomials  $h$  (real Nullstellensatz).

### Lemma 3.6.

*Let  $p \in \text{Pol}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be irreducible. The ideal generated by  $p$  is real if and only if  $p$  changes sign on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :  $p(x)p(y) < 0$  for some  $x, y$ .*

## Existence theorem

### Theorem 3.7.

*Suppose (G1)–(G2) and (A0)–(A2) hold. Then  $\mathcal{G}$  is polynomial on  $E$ , and there exists a continuous  $\sigma : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  such that  $a = \sigma \sigma^\top$  on  $E$  and SDE (3.1) admits an  $E$ -valued solution  $X$  for any initial law of  $X_0$ , which spends zero time at the boundary of  $E$ :*

$$\int_0^t \mathbf{1}_{\{p(X_s)=0\}} ds = 0 \text{ for all } t \geq 0 \text{ and } p \in \mathcal{P}. \quad (3.5)$$

## Boundary attainment

### Theorem 3.8.

Let  $X$  be an  $E$ -valued solution to (3.1) satisfying (3.5). Let  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $h$  be a vector of polynomials such that  $a \nabla p = h p$  on  $M$ .

1. If there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $E \cap \{p = 0\}$  such that

$$2\mathcal{G}p - h^\top \nabla p \geq 0 \quad \text{on} \quad E \cap U \quad (3.6)$$

then  $p(X_t) > 0$  for all  $t > 0$ .

2. Let  $\bar{x} \in E \cap \{p = 0\}$  and assume

$$\mathcal{G}p(\bar{x}) \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 2\mathcal{G}p(\bar{x}) - h(\bar{x})^\top \nabla p(\bar{x}) < 0.$$

Then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that if  $\|X_0 - \bar{x}\| < \varepsilon$  almost surely, then  $X$  hits  $\{p = 0\}$  with positive probability.

## Example

- ▶ Square-root diffusion on  $E = \mathbb{R}_+$

$$dX_t = b dt + \sigma \sqrt{X_t} dB_t$$

- ▶  $a(x) = \sigma^2 x$ ,  $b(x) = b$
- ▶  $\mathcal{P} = \{p\}$  with  $p(x) = x$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} = \emptyset$
- ▶  $a(x)p'(x) = \sigma^2 p(x)$ , hence  $h(x) = \sigma^2$  and

$$2\mathcal{G}p(x) - \sigma^2 p'(x) = 2b - \sigma^2$$

→ Feller condition  $2b \geq \sigma^2$  for boundary non-attainment

# Outline

Polynomial Diffusions [Filipović and Larsson, 2016]

Invariance Properties: Exponentiation

Invariance Properties: Subordination

# Motivation

- ▶ Build PJDs from basic PJDs
- ▶ Introduce nonlinearities into financial models
- ▶ Idea: start from simple building blocks (Gaussian process, Lévy process, ..), exponentiate or subordinate
- ▶ This works thanks to invariance of polynomial property!

# Exponentiation of Polynomial Jump-Diffusion

- ▶ Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $1 + N = \dim \text{Pol}_n(E)$ , and  $(1, H(x))$  be a basis of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$  where we write

$$H(x) = (h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x))$$

- ▶ Let  $G$  be matrix representing  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$

## Theorem 4.1.

The process  $\bar{X}_t = H(X_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ .

- ▶ Fact: the drift of  $(1, \bar{X}_t)$  is  $(1, \bar{X}_t)G dt$  (why?)
- ▶ We next characterize the generator  $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$  of  $\bar{X}_t$

## Some Facts about $\text{Pol}_m(H(E))$

- ▶ Fact:  $H : E \rightarrow H(E)$  is injective: there exists  $L : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $L_j \in \text{Pol}_1(\mathbb{R}^N)$  such that

$$L_j(H(x)) = x_j, \quad x \in E$$

- ▶ Pullback  $\phi^*$  defined by  $\phi^*f = f \circ \phi$  for any function  $f$

### Lemma 4.2.

For every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  the pullback  $H^* : \text{Pol}_m(H(E)) \rightarrow \text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$  is a linear isomorphism with inverse  $L^*$ .

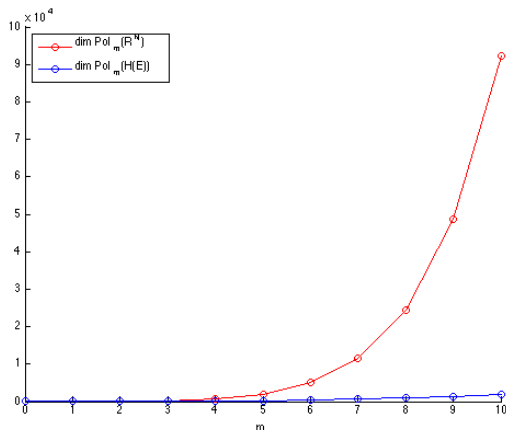
Numerically very useful consequence:

$$\underbrace{\dim \text{Pol}_m(H(E))}_{=\dim \text{Pol}_{mn}(E)} \leq \binom{mn+d}{mn} < \binom{m+N}{m} = \dim \text{Pol}_m(\mathbb{R}^N)$$



# Dimension Reduction

Illustration for  $d = 3$ ,  $E = \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $n = 2$ , such that  $N = 9$ ,



$$\text{dim Pol}_{10}(H(E)) = 1771, \text{dim Pol}_{10}(\mathbb{R}^N) \approx 10^5, \text{dim Pol}_{20}(\mathbb{R}^N) \approx 10^7.$$

## Action of $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$ on $\text{Pol}_m(H(E))$

- ▶ Fact: the generator of  $\bar{X}_t = H(X_t)$  is  $\bar{\mathcal{G}} = L^* \mathcal{G} H^*$
- ▶ Fix  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $1 + \bar{N} = \dim \text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$  and

$$h_0(x) = 1, h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x), h_{N+1}(x), \dots, h_{\bar{N}}(x)$$

be a basis of  $\text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$

- ▶ Gives basis  $\bar{h}_i = L^* h_i$  on  $\text{Pol}_m(H(E))$
- ▶ Let  $\bar{G}$  be matrix representing  $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $\text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$

### Lemma 4.3.

*The matrix representing  $\bar{\mathcal{G}}$  of  $\text{Pol}_m(H(E))$  is  $\bar{G}$ .*

## Affine Property is not invariant under Exponentiation

- ▶ Consider the affine (square-root) diffusion

$$dX_t = \kappa(\theta - X_t)dt + \sigma\sqrt{X_t}dW_t$$

- ▶ Augmented process  $(X_t, Y_t) = (X_t, X_t^2)$  is not affine (why?):

$$dX_t = \kappa(\theta - X_t)dt + \sigma\sqrt{X_t}dW_t$$

$$dY_t = ((2\kappa\theta + \sigma^2)X_t - 2\kappa Y_t)dt + 2\sigma\sqrt{X_t}Y_t dW_t$$

- ▶ However  $(X_t, Y_t)$  is polynomial, consistent with Theorem 4.1

## An Extension

As above:

- ▶ Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}^X$  on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $1 + N = \dim \text{Pol}_n(E)$ , and  $(1, H(x))$  be a basis of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$  where we write

$$H(x) = (h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x))$$

New:

- ▶ Let  $Y_t$  be a semimartingale on  $\mathbb{R}^e$  such that  $Z_t = (X_t, Y_t)$  is a jump-diffusion with generator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}^Z f(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(a^Z(x) \nabla^2 f(z)) + b^Z(x)^\top \nabla f(z) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+e}} \left( f(z + \zeta) - f(z) - \zeta^\top \nabla f(z) \right) \nu^Z(x, d\zeta) \end{aligned}$$

( $Y_t$  has conditionally independent increments given  $X_t$ )

## Decomposition of Characteristics

- ▶ According to decomposition  $Z_t = (X_t, Y_t)$  we write

$$a^Z(x) = \begin{pmatrix} a^X(x) & a^{XY}(x) \\ a^{YX}(x) & a^Y(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad b^Z(x) = \begin{pmatrix} b^X(x) \\ b^Y(x) \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\nu^Z(x, d\zeta) = \nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta), \quad \zeta = (\xi, \eta)$$

- ▶ Constituents of polynomial operator  $\mathcal{G}^X$  are

$$a^X(x), \quad b^X(x), \quad \nu^X(x, d\xi)$$

for marginal measure of  $\nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta)$  given by

$$\nu^X(x, A) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+e}} \mathbf{1}_A(\xi) \nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta)$$

# Extension of Polynomial Jump-Diffusion

## Theorem 4.4.

The following are equivalent:

1. The process  $\bar{Z}_t = (H(X_t), Y_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$ ;
2.  $a^Z(x)$ ,  $b^Z(x)$ , and  $\nu^Z(x, d\xi)$  satisfy

$$b_j^Y(x) \in \text{Pol}_n(E),$$

$$a_{ij}^Y(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+e}} \eta_i \eta_j \nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta) \in \text{Pol}_{2n}(E),$$

$$a_{ij}^{XY}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+e}} \xi_i \eta_j \nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta) \in \text{Pol}_{1+n}(E),$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d+e}} \xi^\alpha \eta^\beta \nu^Z(x, d\xi \times d\eta) \in \text{Pol}_{|\alpha|+n|\beta|}(E),$$

for all  $i, j$  and all  $|\alpha| + |\beta| \geq 3$ .

# Sanity Check

- ▶ Theorem 4.4 is trivial for  $n = 1$  (why?)

## Some Facts about $\text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e)$

- ▶ Fact:  $\phi(x, y) = (H(x), y) : E \times \mathbb{R}^e \rightarrow H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$  is injective:

$$\psi(\phi(x, y)) = (x, y), \quad (x, y) \in E \times \mathbb{R}^e$$

$$\text{for } \psi(\bar{x}, y) = (L(\bar{x}), y) : \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^e \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^e$$

### Lemma 4.5.

For every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  the pullback  $\phi^* : \text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e) \rightarrow V_m$  is a linear isomorphism with inverse  $\psi^*$  where

$$\begin{aligned} V_m &= \text{span} \left\{ p(x)y^\beta : p \in \text{Pol}(E), \deg p + n|\beta| \leq nm \right\} \\ &\subseteq \text{Pol}_{mn}(E \times \mathbb{R}^e) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Fact: the generator of  $\bar{Z}_t = (H(X_t), Y_t)$  is  $\mathcal{G}^{\bar{Z}} = \psi^* \mathcal{G}^Z \phi^*$



## Extension Theorem 4.4 cont'd

### Theorem 4.4 (cont'd).

Property 1 or 2 is equivalent to

3.  $\mathcal{G}^Z V_m \subseteq V_m$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

► This equivalence is illustrated by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^d) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}^Z} & \text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^d) \\ \varphi^* \downarrow \uparrow \psi^* & & \varphi^* \downarrow \uparrow \psi^* \\ V_m & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}^Z} & V_m \end{array}$$

► Numerically very useful consequence:

$$\underbrace{\dim \text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e)}_{=\dim V_m \leq \dim \text{Pol}_{mn}(E \times \mathbb{R}^e)} \leq \binom{mn + d + e}{mn} < \underbrace{\binom{m + N + e}{m}}_{=\dim \text{Pol}_m(\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^e)}$$

## Action of $\mathcal{G}^{\bar{Z}}$ on $\text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e)$

- ▶ Assume  $\bar{Z}_t$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$
- ▶ Fix  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $1 + \bar{N} = \dim \text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$  and

$$h_0(x) = 1, h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x), h_{N+1}(x), \dots, h_{\bar{N}}(x)$$

be a basis of  $\text{Pol}_{mn}(E)$

- ▶ Gives basis of  $V_m$  of the form

$$h_i^Z(x, y) = h_j(x)y^\beta, \quad \deg h_j + n|\beta| \leq mn$$

- ▶ Gives basis  $h_i^{\bar{Z}} = \psi^* h_i^Z$  of  $\text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e)$

### Lemma 4.6.

The matrix representing  $\mathcal{G}^{\bar{Z}}$  on  $\text{Pol}_m(H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e)$  equals  $G^Z$ , the matrix representing  $\mathcal{G}^Z$  on  $V_m$ .

## A Choice of Basis

- ▶ Assume  $h_i^Z(x, y) = h_i(x)$  for  $i = 0 \dots \bar{N}$  ( $\beta = \mathbf{0}$ )
- ▶ Then  $G^Z$  has the form

$$G^Z = \begin{pmatrix} G^{\bar{X}} & * \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ However, we need symbolic calculus to determine  $G^Z$ , i.e.  $G^Z h_i^Z(x, y)$  for  $h_i^Z(x, y) = h_j(x) y^\beta$  with  $\beta \neq \mathbf{0}$

## Application of the Extension Theorem 4.4

### Corollary 4.7.

Let  $e = e' + e''$ ,  $P(x) = (p_1(x), \dots, p_{e'}(x))^T$  and  $Q(x) = (q_{ij}(x))$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq e''$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq d$ , with

$$p_i(x) \in \text{Pol}_n(E), \quad q_{ij}(x) \in \text{Pol}_{n-1}(E).$$

Then

$$dY_t = \begin{pmatrix} P(X_t) dt \\ Q(X_{t-}) dX_t \end{pmatrix}$$

satisfies conditions of Theorem 4.4, such that  $Z_t = (H(X_t), Y_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$ .

# Co-Variation and Compensator

- ▶ Corollary 4.7 covers co-variation

$$d[X_i, X_j]_t = d(X_{i,t}X_{j,t}) - X_{i,t-}dX_{j,t} - X_{j,t-}dX_{i,t}$$

and its compensator

$$d\langle X_i, X_j \rangle_t = \Gamma^X(x_i, x_j)(X_t) dt$$

for the carré-du-champ operator  $\Gamma^X(x_i, x_j) \in \text{Pol}_2(E)$

- ▶ Application: variance swaps!

# Outline

Polynomial Diffusions [Filipović and Larsson, 2016]

Invariance Properties: Exponentiation

**Invariance Properties: Subordination**

# Markov Setup

- ▶ Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ **Assumption:**  $X_t$  is Markov with transition kernel  $p_t(x, dy)$  on  $E$ , such that

$$\mathbb{E}[f(X_{s+t}) \mid \mathcal{F}_s] = \int_E f(y)p_t(X_s, dy)$$

- ▶ Let  $Z_t$  be an nondecreasing Lévy process (subordinator) with Lévy measure  $\nu^Z(d\zeta)$  and drift  $b^Z \geq 0$ ,

$$\mathcal{G}^Z f(z) = b^Z f'(z) + \int_E (f(z + \zeta) - f(z)) \nu^Z(d\zeta)$$

see [Sato, 1999, Thm 21.5].

- ▶ Fact: distribution  $\mu^t(dz)$  of  $Z_t$  satisfies  $\mu^{t+s} = \mu^t * \mu^s$ :

$$\int f(z)\mu^{t+s}(dz) = \int f(z)(\mu^t * \mu^s)(dz) := \int \int f(x+y)\mu^t(dx)\mu^s(dy)$$

# Bochner's Theorem

## Theorem 5.1.

The time-changed  $\tilde{X}_t = X_{Z_t}$  is a PJD on  $E$  with transition kernel

$$\tilde{p}_t(x, dy) = \mathbb{E}[p_{Z_t}(x, dy)] = \int_0^\infty p_z(x, dy) \mu^t(dz)$$

and generator on  $E$  given by

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}f(x) = b^Z \mathcal{G}f(x) + \int_0^\infty \int_E (f(y) - f(x)) p_\zeta(x, dy) \nu^Z(d\zeta)$$

## Proof.

See [Sato, 1999, Thm 32.1], and also [Linetsky, 2007, Thm 6.2] for more details on characteristics. □



## Action of $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$ on $\text{Pol}_n(E)$

- ▶ Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $1 + N = \dim \text{Pol}_n(E)$ , and  $(1, H(x))$  a basis of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$  where

$$H(x) = (h_1(x), \dots, h_N(x))$$

- ▶ Matrix representing  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$ :  $\mathcal{G}(1, H(x)) = (1, H(x))G$
- ▶ Matrix  $\tilde{G}$  representing  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$  is then

$$\tilde{G} = b^Z G + \int_0^\infty (e^{G\zeta} - \text{Id}_N) \nu^Z(d\zeta)$$

## Affine Property is not invariant under Subordination

- ▶ OU process  $dX_t = -\kappa X_t dt + \sigma dW_t$  is affine with normal t.k.

$$p_t(x, dy) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(e^{-\kappa t}x, \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa}(1 - e^{-2\kappa t})\right)$$

- ▶ Poisson subordinator  $Z_t$  with  $\beta^Z = 0$  and  $\nu^Z(d\zeta) = \delta_{\{1\}}(d\zeta)$
- ▶ Theorem 5.1: time-changed  $\tilde{X}_t = X_{Z_t}$  is polynomial
- ▶ But  $\tilde{X}_t$  is not affine if  $\kappa \neq 0$ :

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}e^{ux} = \int_E (e^{uy} - e^{ux}) p_1(x, dy) = \left(e^{(e^{-\kappa t}-1)ux+C(t)} - 1\right) e^{ux}$$

$$\text{for } C(t) = \frac{\sigma^2 u^2}{4\kappa} (1 - e^{-2\kappa t})$$

## Part III

# Financial Modeling

# Outline

Polynomial Asset Return Models

Polynomial Expansion Methods

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# Goal

- ▶ Construct asset return models based on PJDs for ...
- ▶ option pricing ( $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{Q}$ )
- ▶ portfolio choice
- ▶ portfolio risk management
- ▶ economic scenario generation
- ▶ ...

# Polynomial Asset Return Framework

- ▶ Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ Let  $d = d' + e$  and write  $X_t = (X'_t, R_t)$
- ▶  $e$  asset price processes  $S_{1,t} \dots S_{e,t}$  with returns

$$\frac{dS_{i,t}}{S_{i,t-}} = r_t dt + dR_{i,t}$$

- ▶ Risk-free rate  $r_t$
- ▶ Excess returns  $dR_{i,t}$
- ▶ Assumption:  $\Delta R_{i,t} > -1$  and in fact, write  $\xi = (\xi', \xi^R)$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \log(1 + \xi_i^R)^{2k} \nu(x, d\xi) < \infty, \quad i = 1 \dots e$$

# Risk-Neutral Dynamics

- ▶ Specifying the simple returns allows a simple characterization of risk-neutral dynamics ( $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{Q}$ )

## **Lemma 6.1.**

$\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{Q}$  is a risk-neutral measure if and only if  $R_t$  has zero drift,  $b^R(x) = 0$ , such that  $R_t$  is a local martingale.



# Log Returns

- ▶ The logarithmic excess returns  $Y_t$  are defined by

$$S_{i,t} = S_{i,0} e^{\int_0^t r_s ds + Y_{i,t}}$$

## Lemma 6.2.

*Stochastic exponential calculus implies*

$$dY_{i,t} = (b_i^R(X_t) - \frac{1}{2} a_{ii}^R(X_t) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\xi_i^R - \log(1 + \xi_i^R)) \nu(X_t, d\xi)) dt + dM_{i,t}$$

where  $M_{i,t}$  are local martingales with  $d\langle M_i^c, M_j^c \rangle_t = a_{ij}^R(X_t) dt$  and  $\Delta M_{i,t} = \log(1 + \Delta R_{i,t})$ . The jump measure of  $Z_t = (X_t, Y_t)$  admits moments of all orders.

# Polynomial Log Returns

- ▶ Does  $Z_t = (X_t, Y_t)$  satisfy Extension Theorem 4.4 ?

## Lemma 6.3.

*Assume jump measure of  $X_t$  is of the mixed type*

$$\nu(x, d\xi) = \nu_0(d\xi) + \sum_{i=1}^d x_i \nu_i(d\xi) + \sum_{i,j=1}^d x_i x_j \nu_{ij}(d\xi) + n(x, d\xi)$$

*for signed measures  $\nu_0(d\xi), \dots, \nu_d(d\xi)$  and  $\nu_{ij}(d\xi)$ ,  $i, j = 1 \dots d$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and transition kernel  $n(x, d\xi)$  from  $\mathbb{R}^d$  into  $\mathbb{R}^{d'} \times \{0\}^e$ .*

*Then  $Z_t$  satisfies Extension Theorem 4.4 for  $n = 2$ , such that  $\bar{Z}_t = (H(X_t), Y_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$ .*

# Conditional Independent Returns

- ▶ If characteristics of  $X_t = (X'_t, R_t)$  only depend on  $X'_t$ ,

$$a(x) = a(x'), \quad b(x) = b(x'), \quad \nu(x, d\xi) = \nu(x', d\xi)$$

- ▶ Then  $Z_t = (X'_t, Y_t)$  satisfies Extension Theorem 4.4 for  $n = 2$ , such that  $\bar{Z}_t = (H(X'_t), Y_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E') \times \mathbb{R}^e$
- ▶ This reduces dimension!

## Example: Factor Models

- ▶ Factor models assume excess return is

$$dR_{i,t} = \beta_i^\top dX_t^F + dX_{i,t}^{idio}, \quad i = 1 \dots e$$

where

- ▶  $X_t^F$  is  $d^F$ -dimensional factor process
  - ▶  $\beta_i$  loading vector of  $i$ th excess return
  - ▶  $dX_{i,t}^{idio}$  idiosyncratic component of  $i$ th excess return
- ▶ Put in polynomial asset return framework as

$$X_t = (X_t^F, X_t^{idio}, X_t')$$

with  $d = d^F + e + d'$ , such that  $(X_t, R_t)$  is a PJD with conditionally independent returns  $dR_t$  given  $X_t$

# Towards Real-World Dynamics

- ▶ Assume we have specified PJD  $X_t$  under  $\mathbb{Q}$  ( $a, b, \nu$ )
- ▶ **Goal:** equivalent change of measure  $\mathbb{P} \sim \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $\mathbb{P}$ -characteristics of  $X_t$  are

$$\begin{aligned}a^{\mathbb{P}}(x) &= a(x), \\b^{\mathbb{P}}(x) &= b(x) + a(x)\phi(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\psi(\xi) - 1)\xi \nu(x, d\xi), \\ \nu^{\mathbb{P}}(x, d\xi) &= \psi(\xi)\nu(x, d\xi)\end{aligned}\tag{6.1}$$

where

- ▶  $\phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is market price of diffusion risk
- ▶  $\psi(\xi) > 0$  is market price of risk of the jump event of size  $\xi$

# Equivalent Change of Measure

**Assumption:**  $\mathcal{E}(L)$  is a true martingale for

$$dL_t = \phi(X_t)^\top dX_t^c + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\psi(\xi) - 1) \left( \mu^X(d\xi, dt) - \nu(X_t, d\xi)dt \right),$$

where  $X_t^c$  is the continuous local martingale part of  $X_t$  and  $\mu^X(d\xi, dt)$  the integer-valued random measure associated to the jumps of  $X_t$ .

## Lemma 6.4.

$\mathbb{P} \sim \mathbb{Q}$  with Radon-Nikodym density process  $\mathcal{E}(L)$  and  $X_t$  has  $\mathbb{P}$ -characteristics given by (6.1).

# Polynomial Property under Real-World Measure

## Corollary 6.5.

Assume jump measure of  $X_t$  is of the mixed type as in Lemma 6.3.  
Then  $X_t$  is a PJD under  $\mathbb{P}$  if and only if

$$(a(x)\phi(x))_i + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\psi(\xi) - 1)\xi_i \left( \sum_{k,l=1}^d x_k x_l \nu_{kl}(d\xi) + n(x, d\xi) \right) \in \text{Pol}_1(E), \quad i = 1 \dots d.$$

In this case,  $Z_t$  satisfies Extension Theorem 4.4 for  $n = 2$ , such that  $\bar{Z}_t = (H(X_t), Y_t)$  is a PJD on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$  also under  $\mathbb{P}$ .

# Pricing European Call Options

- ▶ Call option on  $S_i$  with strike  $K$  and maturity  $T$  has price

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E} \left[ e^{-\int_0^T r_s ds} (S_{i,T} - K)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right] \\ = \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( S_{i,0} e^{Y_{i,T}} - K e^{-\int_0^T r_s ds} \right)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_0 \right]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ **Assumption:** deterministic interest rates  $r_t$
- ▶ Pricing boils down to computing expectation of the form

$$\mathbb{E} [F(Y_{i_T}) \mid \mathcal{F}_0]$$

for discounted payoff function  $F(y_i) = (e^{y_i} - c)^+$



## Pricing Path-Dependent Options

Barrier and fader options on  $S_i$  have payoff of the form  $P_T f(S_{i,T})$  at maturity  $T$  where

- ▶  $f(S_{i,T})$  is some European style nominal payoff function
- ▶  $P_T$  is path-dependent variable of the form

$$P_T = \begin{cases} 1_{\{\inf_{t \leq T} S_{i,t} \geq b\}}, & \text{barrier type} \\ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T 1_{\{S_{i,t} \geq b\}} dt, & \text{fader type.} \end{cases}$$

for some barrier  $b$

Such options do not admit closed form prices and need to be numerically approximated.

## Pricing Path-Dependent Options: Approximation

- ▶ Discretising the time interval  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = T$  leads to

$$P_T \approx \begin{cases} \prod_{j=1}^m \mathbf{1}_{\{S_{i,t_{j-1}} \geq b\}}, & \text{barrier type} \\ \sum_{j=1}^m \mathbf{1}_{\{S_{i,t_{j-1}} \geq b\}} \frac{t_j - t_{j-1}}{T}, & \text{fader type.} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Pricing boils down to computing expectations of the form

$$\mathbb{E}[F(Y_{i,t_1}, \dots, Y_{i,t_m}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0}]$$

for discounted payoff function  $F$

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# Generic Pricing Problem in Finance

Let  $X_t$  be a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ .

Pricing an (path-dependent) option boils down to compute conditional expectation

$$I_{t_0} = \mathbb{E}[F(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0}]$$

for some

- ▶ time partition  $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m$
- ▶ (polynomial) projection  $\mathbf{X} = P(X_{t_1}, \dots, X_{t_m})$  on  $\mathbf{E} = P(E^m)$
- ▶ discounted payoff function  $F(\mathbf{x})$  with  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbf{E}$

The following method extends [Filipović et al., 2013]

## Weighted $L^2$ Space

- ▶ Denote  $g(d\mathbf{x})$  regular conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{X}$  given  $\mathcal{F}_{t_0}$
- ▶ Let  $w(d\mathbf{x})$  be auxiliary probability kernel from  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_{t_0})$  to  $\mathbf{E}$  such that

$$g(d\mathbf{x}) \ll w(d\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbb{P}\text{-a.s.} \quad (7.1)$$

with likelihood ratio function denoted by  $\ell(\mathbf{x})$  such that

$$g(d\mathbf{x}) = \ell(\mathbf{x})w(d\mathbf{x}).$$

- ▶ Define  $L_w^2 = L_w^2(\mathbf{E})$  with norm given by

$$\|f\|_w^2 = \int_{\mathbf{E}} f(\mathbf{x})^2 w(d\mathbf{x})$$

and corresponding scalar product

$$\langle f, h \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbf{E}} f(\mathbf{x})h(\mathbf{x})w(d\mathbf{x}).$$

# Orthogonal Polynomials

- ▶ Assumption:  $L_w^2$  contains all polynomials on  $\mathbf{E}$ ,

$$\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E}) \subset L_w^2 \quad (7.2)$$

- ▶ Let  $\{h_0(\mathbf{x}) = 1, h_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots\}$  be an orthonormal set of polynomials spanning the closure  $\overline{\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})}$  in  $L_w^2$ .
- ▶ Assumption: the likelihood ratio function lies in  $L_w^2$ ,

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}) \in L_w^2. \quad (7.3)$$

- ▶ As a consequence, its Fourier coefficients

$$\ell_k = \langle h_k, \ell \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbf{E}} h_k(\mathbf{x}) \ell(\mathbf{x}) w(d\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}[h_k(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0}]$$

are in closed form by moment transform formula Theorem 1.7.

## Projected Price

- ▶ Assumption: the discounted payoff function lies in  $L_w^2$ ,

$$F(\mathbf{x}) \in L_w^2.$$

- ▶ Denote  $\bar{F}$  the orthogonal projection of  $F$  onto  $\overline{\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})}$  in  $L_w^2$ .
- ▶ Elementary functional analysis implies that the projected price

$$\bar{I}_{t_0} = \mathbb{E}[\bar{F}(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0}]$$

equals

$$\bar{I}_{t_0} = \int_{\mathbf{E}} \bar{F}(\mathbf{x}) g(d\mathbf{x}) = \langle \bar{F}, \ell \rangle_w = \sum_{k \geq 0} F_k \ell_k \quad (7.4)$$

with Fourier coefficients given by

$$F_k = \langle h_k, \bar{F} \rangle_w = \langle h_k, F \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbf{E}} h_k(\mathbf{x}) F(\mathbf{x}) w(d\mathbf{x}). \quad (7.5)$$

## Proxy Price

- ▶ Fact:  $\bar{I}_{t_0} = I_{t_0}$  if the projection  $\bar{F} = F$  in  $L_w^2$ .
- ▶ Note:  $\bar{F} = F$  if  $\overline{\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})} = L_w^2$ , which depends on  $w(d\mathbf{x})$ .
- ▶ Proxy price: approximate the price by truncating series (7.4),

$$I_{t_0}^{(K)} = \sum_{k=0}^K F_k \ell_k,$$

for finite  $K$ , such that the pricing error is

$$\epsilon^{(K)} = I_{t_0} - I_{t_0}^{(K)} = \underbrace{I_{t_0} - \bar{I}_{t_0}}_{\text{projection bias}} + \underbrace{\bar{I}_{t_0} - I_{t_0}^{(K)}}_{\text{truncation error}}$$

with truncation error  $\bar{I}_{t_0} - I_{t_0}^{(K)} \rightarrow 0$  for  $K \rightarrow \infty$ .



# Proxy Measures

- ▶ Computation of  $I_{t_0}^{(K)}$  as numerical integration over  $\mathbf{E}$ ,

$$I_{t_0}^{(K)} = \sum_{k=0}^K \langle F, \ell_k h_k \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbf{E}} F(\mathbf{x}) g^{(K)}(d\mathbf{x}), \quad (7.6)$$

for the proxy measure

$$g^{(K)}(d\mathbf{x}) = \left( \sum_{k=0}^K \ell_k h_k(\mathbf{x}) \right) w(d\mathbf{x}).$$

- ▶ Fact:  $g^{(K)}(\mathbf{E}) = 1$  because  $\langle h_k, h_0 = 1 \rangle_w = 0$  for  $k \geq 1$
- ▶ But  $g^{(K)}(d\mathbf{x})$  is only a signed measure in general.
- ▶ Fact:  $g^{(K)}(d\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow g(d\mathbf{x})$  in a  $L_w^2$ -weak sense: for all  $f \in L_w^2$

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbf{E}} f(\mathbf{x}) g^{(K)}(d\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbf{E}} f(\mathbf{x}) g(d\mathbf{x}).$$

## Choice of Auxiliary Kernel

- ▶ In specific cases: closed-form Fourier coefficients  $F_k$ , e.g. [Ackerer et al., 2015] for call options
- ▶ In general: numerical integration of (7.5), or equivalently (7.6)
- ▶ Depends on the choice of auxiliary kernel  $w(d\mathbf{x})$
- ▶ How to choose  $w(d\mathbf{x})$ ?
- ▶ Either good guessing, e.g. mixture of normals

$$w(d\mathbf{x}) = (1 - \lambda)n_{\mu_1, \sigma_1}(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} + \lambda n_{\mu_2, \sigma_2}(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x}$$

matching first two moments of  $g(d\mathbf{x})$

- ▶ Or via simulation, see next..

# Simulation Approach: Markov Setup

- ▶ Assume Markov setup: parametric family of probability measure  $\{\mathbb{P}^\theta\}_{\theta \in \Theta}$  on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  such that  $X_t$  is a PJD with generator  $\mathcal{G}^\theta$  under any  $\mathbb{P}^\theta$
- ▶ Denote  $g^\theta(d\mathbf{x})$  the  $\mathbb{P}^\theta$ -regular conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{X}$  given  $\mathcal{F}_{t_0}$
- ▶ Fix baseline parameter  $\theta_0 \in \Theta$ , fix initial  $x_0 \in E$ , and set

$$w(d\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}^{\theta_0} [\mathbf{X} \in d\mathbf{x} \mid X_{t_0} = x_0]$$

- ▶ Assume

$$g^\theta(d\mathbf{x}) \ll w(d\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbb{P}^\theta\text{-a.s.}$$

with likelihood ratio function  $\ell^\theta(\mathbf{x}) \in L^2_w \mathbb{P}^\theta\text{-a.s.}$  for all  $\theta \in \Theta$

## Simulation Approach: Orthonormal Polynomials

Obtain ONB  $\{h_0(\mathbf{x}) = 1, h_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots\}$  of  $\overline{\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})}$  in  $L_w^2$  without numerical integration:

- ▶ Let  $\tilde{h}_0(\mathbf{x}) = 1, \tilde{h}_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots$  be any basis of  $\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})$ .
- ▶ Moment transform formula Theorem 1.7: scalar products

$$\langle \tilde{h}_k, \tilde{h}_l \rangle_w = \mathbb{E}^{\theta_0} \left[ \tilde{h}_k(\mathbf{X}) \tilde{h}_l(\mathbf{X}) \mid X_{t_0} = x_0 \right]$$

in closed form

- ▶ Perform exact Gram–Schmidt orthonormalization gives orthonormal basis  $\{h_0 = 1, h_1, \dots\}$  of  $\overline{\text{Pol}(\mathbf{E})}$  in  $L_w^2$
- ▶ Yields closed-form Fourier coefficients

$$\ell_k^\theta = \langle h_k, \ell^\theta \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbf{E}} h_k(\mathbf{x}) \ell^\theta(\mathbf{x}) w(d\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}^\theta [h_k(\mathbf{X}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0}]$$

## Simulation Approach: Fourier Coefficients of $F(\mathbf{x})$

- ▶ Approximate  $w(d\mathbf{x})$  by simulating  $\mathbf{X}$  under  $\mathbb{P}^{\theta_0}$  given  $X_{t_0} = x_0$
- ▶ Estimate the Fourier coefficients

$$F_k = \mathbb{E}^{\theta_0} [h_k(\mathbf{X})F(\mathbf{X}) \mid X_{t_0} = x_0]$$

by Monte-Carlo method

- ▶ Numerical efficiency: pre-compute and store simulation; using polynomial expansion above allows to compute proxies  $I_{t_0}^{(K)}$  efficiently for various  $\theta \in \Theta$  and thus calibrate  $\theta$  to data

## Alternative Approach: Edgeworth Expansion

- ▶ Use an Edgeworth expansion of the characteristic function

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E} \left[ e^{zF(\mathbf{X})} \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_0} \right] &= e^{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \frac{z^n}{n!}} \\ &= e^{C_1 z + C_2 \frac{z^2}{2}} \left( 1 + C_3 \frac{z^3}{3!} + O(z^4) \right)\end{aligned}$$

where  $C_n$  refers to the  $n$ th cumulant of  $g(d\mathbf{x})$

- ▶ Moment transform formula Theorem 1.7 gives closed-form expressions for  $C_n$
- ▶ Apply standard Fourier inversion to infer  $I_{t_0}$ , e.g. [Carr and Madan, 1998] for at-the-money call options and [Fang and Oosterlee, 2008] for out-of-the-money call options

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# Specification Problem

- ▶ We have seen how to change measure and how to price options in a general polynomial asset return framework
- ▶ How shall we specify the polynomial factor process  $X_t$ ?
- ▶ Example: every affine model falls into the polynomial framework
- ▶ Example: factor models with conditionally independent returns
- ▶ Here we focus on (novel) non-affine polynomial models



# Linear Diffusion Models: Framework

- ▶ A novel flexible class of diffusion based models
- ▶ Assume  $X_t = (X'_t, R_t)$  is a linear diffusion (hence polynomial)

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t)dt + (C + X_{1,t}\Gamma_1 + \cdots + X_{d,t}\Gamma_d)dW_t$$

for some  $m$ -dimensional standard Brownian motion  $W_t$

- ▶ Nice (in contrast to affine models):
  - ▶ a priori no constraints on parameters
  - ▶ unique strong solution always exists in  $\mathbb{R}^d$
- ▶ Allows for stochastic volatility and correlations  $\langle X_i, X_j \rangle$

# Alternative Volatility Representation

- ▶ Linear volatility

$$(C + X_{1,t}\Gamma_1 + \cdots + X_{d,t}\Gamma_d)dW_t$$

can alternatively be represented as

$$\sum_{k=1}^m (c_k + \gamma_k X_t) dW_{k,t}$$

where  $c_k$  are column vectors of  $C$  and  $i$ th column of  $\gamma_k$  is  $k$ th column of  $\Gamma_i$ :  $\gamma_{k,i} = \Gamma_{i,k}$

# Linear Diffusion Models: Cond. Independent Returns

Start with an observation:

## Lemma 8.1.

Let  $X_t$  be a linear diffusion on  $E$  and  $(1, H(x))$  a basis of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $H(X_t)$  is a linear diffusion on  $H(E)$ .

Build up linear diffusion models with cond. independent returns:

1. Let  $X_t$  be  $d$ -dim. linear diffusion on  $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$
2. Specify excess returns

$$dR_t = Q(X_t) dW_t$$

for  $Q(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{e \times m}$  with  $q_{ij} \in \text{Pol}_n(E)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

3. Let  $(1, H(x))$  be a basis of  $\text{Pol}_n(E)$ . Then  $(H(X_t), R_t)$  is a linear diffusion on  $H(E) \times \mathbb{R}^e$

## Examples for $d = e = 1$

- ▶ Revisit some examples for  $d = e = 1$

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t)dt + (c + \gamma X_t) dW_t^X$$

$$dR_t = X_t dW_t^R$$

with leverage  $d\langle W^X, W^R \rangle = \rho dt$

- ▶ extended Stein and Stein (1991): OU (affine)

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t)dt + c dW_t^X$$

- ▶ extended Hull–White (1987): log-normal (not affine)

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t)dt + \gamma X_t dW_t^X$$

see also [Sepp, 2016]

## Example for $d = e = 1$ : Quadratic Volatility

- ▶ Quadratic volatility, [Filipović et al., 2016]:

$$dX_t = (b + \beta X_t)dt + (c + \gamma X_t) dW_t^X$$

$$dR_t = X_t^2 dW_t^R$$

with leverage  $d\langle W^X, W^R \rangle = \rho dt$

- ▶ Lemma 8.1:  $(X_t, X_t^2)$  is a linear diffusion on  $\{(x, x^2)\}$
- ▶ Extension Theorem 4.4:  $(X_t, X_t^2, R_t)$  is a linear diffusion on  $\{(x, x^2)\} \times \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Lemma 6.3:  $(X_t, X_t^2, Y_t)$  is a linear diffusion on  $\{(x, x^2)\} \times \mathbb{R}$  for log-excess return  $Y_t$
- ▶ For OU ( $\gamma = 0$ ):  $(X_t, X_t^2)$  is affine but  $(X_t, X_t^2, Y_t)$  is not affine if mean-reversion level is non-zero,  $b \neq 0$  (why?)

# Stochastic Volatility and Correlation Models

- ▶ Let  $X_t = (X_t^\ell, X_t')$  be linear diffusion,  $d = d^\ell + d'$
- ▶ Specify excess returns

$$dR_{i,t} = \sigma_{i,t} \ell_{i,t}^\top dW_t$$

for volatility process  $\sigma_{i,t}$  and loadings process  $\ell_{i,t}$

- ▶ Volatility process linear in  $X_t$ ,

$$\sigma_{i,t} = k_i + \kappa_i^\top X_t,$$

for parameters  $k_i \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\kappa_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$

- ▶ Loadings process linear in  $X_t^\ell$ ,

$$\ell_{i,t} = \lambda_i + \Lambda_i X_t^\ell,$$

for parameters  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\Lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d^\ell}$ ,  $m = \dim W_t$

# Unit Sphere-Valued Diffusion

Denote  $\mathcal{S} = \{\|x\| = 1\}$  the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^{d^\ell}$

## Lemma 8.2.

Assume  $X_t^\ell$  is autonomous with  $X_0 \in \mathcal{S}$  and of the form

$$dX_t^\ell = \beta^\ell X_t^\ell dt + \sum_{k=1}^m \gamma_k^\ell X_t^\ell dW_{k,t}$$

for  $\gamma_k^\ell \in \text{Skew}_{d^\ell}$  and  $\beta^\ell + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^m \gamma_k^{\ell\top} \gamma_k^\ell \in \text{Skew}_{d^\ell}$ . Then  $X_t^\ell \in \mathcal{S}$ .

► **Assumption:** Conditions of Lemma 8.2 hold and

$$\|\lambda_i\| \leq 1, \quad \Lambda_i^\top \Lambda_i = (1 - \|\lambda_i\|) Id_{d^\ell}$$

► Then  $\|\ell_{i,t}\| \equiv 1$

# Obtain Stochastic Volatility and Correlation Model

As above:  $(H(X_t), R_t)$  and  $(H(X_t), Y_t)$  are linear diffusions, where  $(1, H(x))$  is a basis of  $\text{Pol}_2(\mathcal{S} \times \mathbb{R}^{d'})$ , with

- ▶ stochastic volatility of returns

$$\sqrt{\frac{d\langle R_i, R_i \rangle_t}{dt}} = |\sigma_{i,t}|$$

- ▶ stochastic instantaneous correlation between returns

$$\frac{d\langle R_i, R_j \rangle_t}{|\sigma_{i,t}| |\sigma_{j,t}| dt} = \ell_{i,t}^\top \ell_{j,t} = \lambda_i^\top \lambda_j + X_t^{\ell\top} \Lambda_i^\top \Lambda_j X_t^\ell$$



## Part IV

# Stochastic Volatility Models

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# Stochastic volatility models

The volatility of stock price log-returns is stochastic

	Black-Scholes	Heston (affine SVJD)
volatility	constant	stochastic $\in \mathbb{R}_+$
calls and puts	closed-form	Fourier transform
exotic options	closed-form	...

Black-Scholes model  $\subset$  Jacobi model  $\rightarrow$  Heston model

- ▶ **stochastic volatility** on a parametrized **compact support**
- ▶ vanilla and exotic **option prices** have a **series representation**
- ▶ **fast and accurate** price approximations

# Jacobi Stochastic Volatility model

Fix  $0 \leq v_{min} < v_{max}$ . Define the quadratic function

$$Q(v) = \frac{(v - v_{min})(v_{max} - v)}{(\sqrt{v_{max}} - \sqrt{v_{min}})^2} \leq v$$

## Jacobi Model

Stock price dynamics  $S_t = e^{X_t}$  given by

$$\begin{aligned}dV_t &= \kappa(\theta - V_t) dt + \sigma \sqrt{Q(V_t)} dW_{1t} \\dX_t &= (r - V_t/2) dt + \rho \sqrt{Q(V_t)} dW_{1t} + \sqrt{V_t - \rho^2 Q(V_t)} dW_{2t}\end{aligned}\tag{9.1}$$

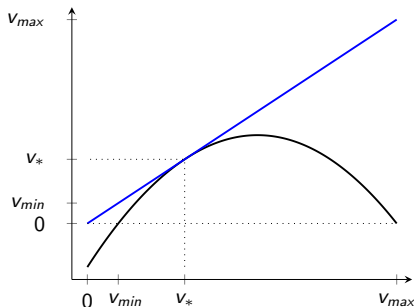
for  $\kappa, \sigma > 0$ ,  $\theta \in [v_{min}, v_{max}]$ , interest rate  $r$ ,  $\rho \in [-1, 1]$ , and 2-dimensional BM  $W = (W_1, W_2)$

**Remark:**  $e^{-rt} S_t = e^{-rt+X_t}$  is a martingale

## Some properties

### The function $Q(v)$

$v \geq Q(v)$ ,  $v = Q(v)$  if and only if  $v = \sqrt{v_{min}v_{max}}$ , and  $Q(v) \geq 0$  for all  $v \in [v_{min}, v_{max}]$



### Instantaneous variance

$d\langle X, X \rangle_t = V_t \in [v_{min}, v_{max}]$  is a **Jacobi process**

## Some properties (cont.)

### Instantaneous correlation

$$\frac{d\langle V, X \rangle_t}{\sqrt{d\langle V, V \rangle_t} \sqrt{d\langle X, X \rangle_t}} = \rho \sqrt{Q(V_t)/V_t}$$

### Polynomial model

$(V_t, X_t)$  is a polynomial diffusion – **efficient calculation of moments**

### Black-Scholes model nested

Take  $v_{min} = v_{max} = \sigma_{BS}^2$

### Heston model as a limit case

If  $v_{min} \rightarrow 0$  and  $v_{max} \rightarrow \infty$  then  $(V_t, X_t)$  converges weakly in the path space to the Heston model



# Implied volatility

## Bounded implied volatility

Option with positive BS gamma ( $\Leftrightarrow$  convex payoff for Europ.)

$$\sqrt{v_{min}} \leq \sigma_{IV} \leq \sqrt{v_{max}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  **Forward start option**  $\sigma_{IV}$  does not explode  
**(Jacquier and Roome 2015)**

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## Log-price density

We define

$$C_T = \int_0^T (V_t - \rho^2 Q(V_t)) dt$$

### Theorem 9.1.

Let  $\epsilon < 1/(2v_{\max} T)$ . If  $C_T > 0$  then the distribution of  $X_T$  admits a density  $g_T(x)$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  that satisfies

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{\epsilon x^2} g_T(x) dx < \infty \quad (9.2)$$

If

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ C_T^{-1/2} \right] < \infty \quad (9.3)$$

then  $g_T(x)$  and  $e^{\epsilon x^2} g_T(x)$  are uniformly bounded and continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . A sufficient condition for (9.3) is  $v_{\min} > 0$  and  $\rho^2 < 1$ .

**Remark:** The Heston model does not satisfy (9.2) for any  $\epsilon > 0$

# A crucial corollary

## Corollary 9.2.

Assume (9.3) holds. Then  $\ell(x) = \frac{g_T(x)}{w(x)} \in L_w^2$ , where

$$L_w^2 := \left\{ h : \int_{\mathbb{R}} |h(x)|^2 w(x) dx \right\}$$

and  $w(x)$  is any Gaussian density with variance  $\sigma_w^2$  satisfying

$$\sigma_w^2 > \frac{v_{\max} T}{2} \quad (9.4)$$

- ▶ (Filipovic, Mayerhofer, Schneider 2013) For the Heston model we have that  $\ell(x) = \frac{g_T(x)}{w(x)} \in L_w^2$ , where  $w(x)$  is a **(bilateral) Gamma density**

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# Weighted $L^2$ -space

## The weight function

$w(x)$  = Gaussian density with mean  $\mu_w$  and variance  $\sigma_w^2$

## The weighted Hilbert space

$$L_w^2 = \left\{ f(x) \mid \|f\|_w^2 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)^2 w(x) dx < \infty \right\}$$

which is a Hilbert space with scalar product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)g(x) w(x) dx$$

## Orthonormal basis – Generalized Hermite polynomials

$$H_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \mathcal{H}_n \left( \frac{x - \mu_w}{\sigma_w} \right)$$

where  $\mathcal{H}_n(x)$  are the standard Hermite polynomials

# Price approximation

## Pricing problem

Assume that  $X_T$  has a density  $g_T(x)$

$$\pi_f = \mathbb{E}[f(X_T)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)g_T(x)dx$$

## Price series expansion

Suppose  $\ell(x) = g_T(x)/w(x) \in L^2_w$  and  $f(x) \in L^2_w$ . Then

$$\pi_f = \langle f, \ell \rangle_w = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n \ell_n \tag{9.5}$$

for the **Fourier coefficients and Hermite moments**

$$f_n = \langle f, H_n \rangle_w, \quad \ell_n = \langle \ell, H_n \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbb{R}} H_n(x)g_T(x) dx$$

## Price approximation

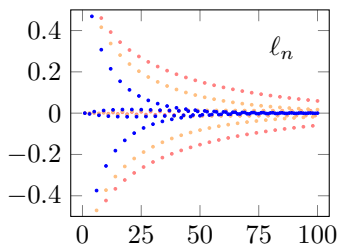
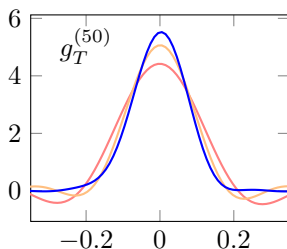
$$\pi_f \approx \pi_f^{(N)} = \sum_{n=0}^N f_n \ell_n = \sum_{n=0}^N \langle f, \ell_n H_n \rangle_w = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)g_T^{(N)}(x) dx$$

# Density approximation

“Gram-Charlier A expansion”

$$g_T^{(N)}(x) = w(x) \sum_{n=0}^N \ell_n H_n(x)$$

**Gram-Charlier expansions of prices:** Jarrow and Rudd (1982), Corrado and Su (1996) ... Drimus, Necula, and Farkas (2013), Heston and Rossi (2015)...



$\sigma_w \in \{1\nu, 1.5\nu, 2\nu\}$  with  $\nu = \sqrt{v_{max} T/2} + \epsilon$ ,  $T = 1/12$ ,  $X_0 = 0$ ,  $\kappa = 0.5$ ,  
 $\theta = V_0 = (0.25)^2$ ,  $\sigma = 0.25$ ,  $v_{min} = (0.10)^2$ ,  $\rho = -0.5$ , and  $v_{max} = 1$



## European calls and puts - Fourier coefficients

### Theorem 9.3.

Consider the discounted payoff function for a call option with log strike  $k$ ,

$$f(x) = e^{-rT} (e^x - e^k)^+$$

Its Fourier coefficients  $f_n$  for  $n \geq 1$  are given by

$$f_n = e^{-rT + \mu_w} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \sigma_w I_{n-1} \left( \frac{k - \mu_w}{\sigma_w}; \sigma_w \right)$$

The functions  $I_n(\mu; \nu)$  are defined recursively by

$$\begin{aligned} I_0(\mu; \nu) &= e^{\frac{\nu^2}{2}} \Phi(\nu - \mu); \\ I_n(\mu; \nu) &= \mathcal{H}_{n-1}(\mu) e^{\nu\mu} \phi(\mu) + \nu I_{n-1}(\mu; \nu), \quad n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{H}_n(x)$  are the standard Hermite polynomials,  $\Phi(x)$  denotes the standard Gaussian distribution function, and  $\phi(x)$  its density

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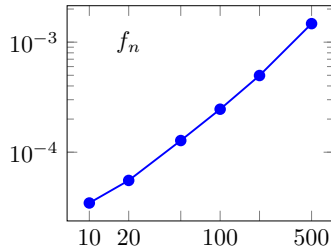
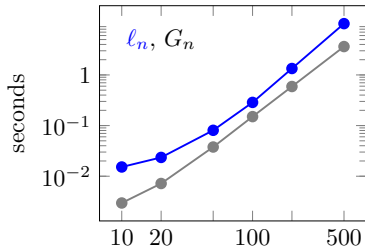
# Computational cost

## Theorem 9.4.

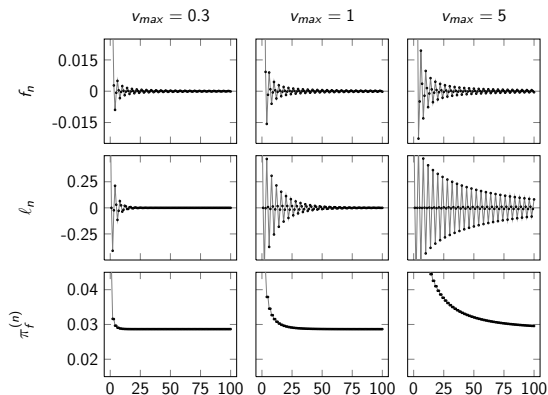
The coefficients  $\ell_n$  are given by

$$\ell_n = [h_1(V_0, X_0), \dots, h_M(V_0, X_0)] e^{TG_n} \mathbf{e}_{\pi(0,n)}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_i$  is the  $i$ -th standard basis vector in  $\mathbb{R}^M$  and  $h_0, \dots, h_M$  is a basis of polynomials.  $G_n$  is the  $(M \times M)$ -matrix representing the infinitesimal generator of  $(V_t, X_t)$  on  $\text{Pol}_N$  – sparse matrix



## Example: Call option pricing



**Figure:** The Fourier coefficients (first row), the Hermite coefficients (second row), and the price expansion (third row) as a function of the order  $n$ . The parameters values are  $T = 1/12$ ,  $X_0 = k = 0$ ,  $\kappa = 0.5$ ,  $\theta = V_0 = (0.25)^2$ ,  $\sigma = 0.25$ ,  $v_{min} = (0.10)^2$ ,  $\rho = -0.5$ , and  $v_{max} \in \{0.3, 1, 5\}$

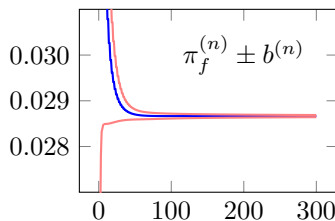
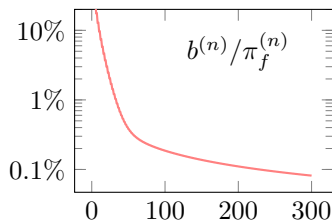
## Error bounds

Pricing error  $\pi_f - \pi_f^{(N)} = \epsilon^{(N)}$

$$|\epsilon^{(N)}| = \left| \sum_{n>N} f_n \ell_n \right| \leq \sqrt{\left( \sum_{n>N} f_n^2 \right) \left( \sum_{n>N} \ell_n^2 \right)}$$

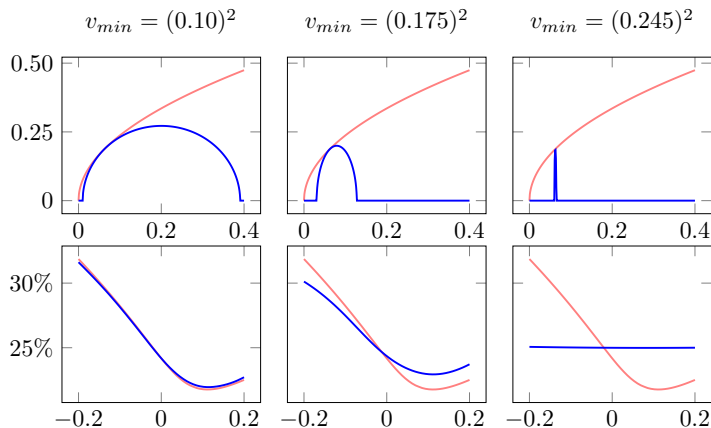
### Type of bounds

1. Analytic:  $\ell_n^2, f_n^2 \leq C \times n^{-k}$  for some  $k > 1$  and  $C > 0$
2. Numeric:  $\sum_{n>N} \ell_n^2 = \|\ell\|_w^2 - \sum_{n=0}^N \ell_n^2$



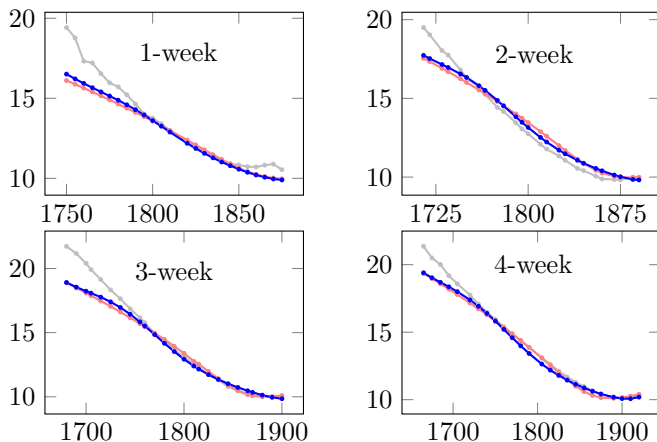
# Volatility smiles - Call option

Fix  $\theta = \sqrt{v_{min}v_{max}} = v_*$  and scale up  $v_{min}$



Diffusion function  $\sigma\sqrt{Q(v)}$  (1<sup>st</sup> row) and smile (2<sup>nd</sup> row)

# SPX implied volatility calibration



	$\sqrt{\theta}$	$\kappa$	$\sigma$	$\rho$	$\sqrt{V_0}$	$\sqrt{V_{min}}$	$\sqrt{V_{max}}$	RMSE
Jacobi	0.3660	0.7507	1.0072	-0.6057	0.1178	0.0499	0.4476	0.8461
Heston	0.3655	0.7498	0.8573	-0.6047	0.1178			0.9447

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# Key corollary revisited

## Log-returns density

$$Y_{t_i} = X_{t_i} - X_{t_{i-1}}$$

for  $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$ ,  $Y = (Y_{t_i})$  has a density  $g_{t_0, \dots, t_n}(y)$

## Weighting with Gaussians

Define  $w(y) = \prod_{i=1}^n w_i(y_i)$  where  $w_i(y_i)$  is a Gaussian density with variance  $\sigma_{w_i}^2$ , then  $\frac{g_{t_0, \dots, t_n}(y)}{w(y)} \in L_w^2$  if

$$\sigma_{w_i}^2 > \frac{v_{\max}(t_i - t_{i-1})}{2}$$

## Forward start call option

Payoff function  $e^{-rt_2}(S_{t_2} - e^k S_{t_1})^+$  with  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2$

$$\tilde{f}(y_1, y_2) = e^{-rt_2}(e^{X_0+y_1+y_2} - e^{k+X_0+y_1})^+$$

## Fourier coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{f}_{m_1, m_2} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \tilde{f}(y) H_{m_1}(y_1) H_{m_2}(y_2) w(y) dy \\ &= f_{m_2}^{(0, k)} \frac{\sigma_w^{m_1}}{\sqrt{m_1!}} e^{X_0 - rT + \mu w_1 + \sigma_{w_1}^2 / 2}\end{aligned}$$

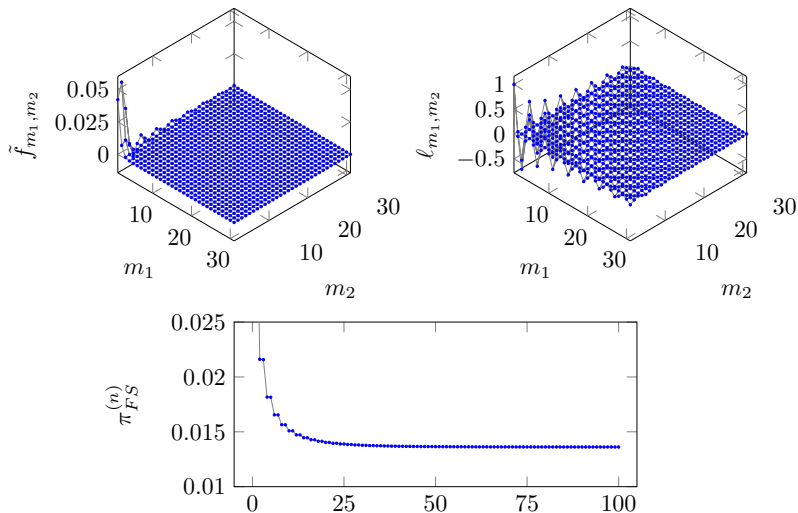
## Hermite moments

$$\begin{aligned}\ell_{m_1, m_2} &= \mathbb{E}[H_{m_1}(Y_{t_1}) H_{m_2}(Y_{t_2})] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[H_{m_1}(Y_{t_1}) \mathbb{E}[H_{m_2}(Y_{t_2}) | \mathcal{F}_{t_1}]]\end{aligned}$$

## Price approximation

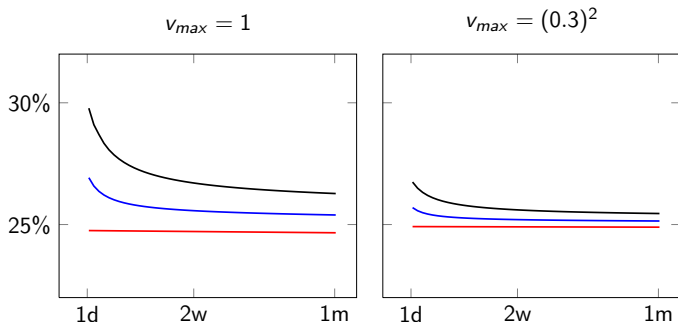
$$\pi_{FS} = \sum_{m_1, m_2 \geq 0} \tilde{f}_{m_1, m_2} \ell_{m_1, m_2} \approx \sum_{m_1, m_2=0}^{m_1+m_2 \leq N} \tilde{f}_{m_1, m_2} \ell_{m_1, m_2} =: \pi_{FS}^{(N)}$$

## Forward start call option (cont.)



$t = 1/12$ ,  $T - t = 1/52$ , and  $k = 0$

## Forward start options on the return



**Figure:** Implied volatility of a forward start option on the return with maturity  $t + T$ , and strikes  $k = -0.10$  (black line),  $k = -0.05$  (blue line), and  $k = 0$  (red line) are displayed as a function of maturity  $T$ . Here  $t = 1/12$ ,  $X_0 = 0$ ,  $\kappa = 0.5$ ,  $V_0 = \theta = (0.25)^2$ ,  $\sigma = 0.25$ ,  $v_{min} = 10^{-4}$ , and  $\rho = -0.5$

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# Conclusion

- ▶ new stochastic volatility model,  $V_t$  is a **Jacobi process**
- ▶ **option price series** representation in weighted  $L_w^2$  space
  - ▶ Hermite moments (**polynomial model**)
  - ▶ Fourier coefficient (**recursive formulas**)
- ▶ computationally fast, empirically  $\gtrsim$  Heston model, pricing **error bounds**
- ▶ methodology applies to **exotic option pricing**

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# Variance Swaps

- ▶ Underlying price process (e.g. S&P 500 index)

$$\frac{dS_t}{S_{t-}} = r_t dt + \sigma_t dW_t^* + \int_{\mathbb{R}} (e^x - 1) (\mu(dt, dx) - \nu_t(dx)dt)$$

- ▶ The annualized **realized variance** over  $[t, T]$  equals

$$RV(t, T) = \frac{1}{T-t} \left( \int_t^T \sigma_s^2 ds + \int_t^T \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 \mu(ds, dx) \right)$$

- ▶ A **variance swap** initiated at  $t$  with maturity  $T$  pays

$$RV(t, T) - VS(t, T)$$

- ▶  $VS(t, T)$ : **variance swap rate** fixed at  $t$



# Forward Variance

- ▶ Fair valuation:

$$VS(t, T) = \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [RV(t, T)]$$

- ▶ Define the **spot variance**

$$v_t = \sigma_t^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 \nu_t(dx)$$

- ▶ Define the **forward variance**

$$f(t, T) = \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{Q}} [v_T]$$

- ▶ Then the variance swap rate equals

$$VS(t, T) = \frac{1}{T-t} \int_t^T f(t, s) ds$$

# Quadratic Variance Swap Model

- ▶ Bivariate **PP** diffusion state process

$$dX_{1t} = (b_1 + \beta_{11} X_{1t} + \beta_{12} X_{2t}) dt + \sqrt{a_1 + \alpha_1 X_{1t} + A_1 X_{1t}^2} dW_{1t}^*$$

$$dX_{2t} = (b_2 + \beta_{22} X_{2t}) dt + \sqrt{a_2 + \alpha_2 X_{2t} + A_2 X_{2t}^2} dW_{2t}^*$$

- ▶ Spot variance is specified by

$$v_t = \phi_0 + \psi_0 X_{1t} + \pi_0 X_{1t}^2$$

## Explicit Forward Variance Curve

- ▶  $f(t, T) = \phi(T - t) + \psi(T - t)^\top X_t + X_t^\top \pi(T - t) X_t$
- ▶ Linear ODEs for  $\phi$ ,  $\psi$ , and  $\pi$  can be vectorized by setting

$$q(\tau) = (\phi(\tau) \quad \psi_1(\tau) \quad \psi_2(\tau) \quad \pi_{11}(\tau) \quad \pi_{12}(\tau) \quad \pi_{22}(\tau))^\top$$

- ▶ The linear system then reads

$$\frac{dq(\tau)}{d\tau} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b_1 & b_2 & a_1 & 0 & a_2 \\ 0 & \beta_{11} & \beta_{12} & 2b_1 + \alpha_1 & 2b_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{22} & 0 & 2b_1 & 2b_2 + \alpha_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\beta_{11} + A_1 & 2\beta_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{11} + \beta_{22} & \beta_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\beta_{22} + A_2 \end{pmatrix} q(\tau)$$
$$q(0) = (\phi_0 \quad \psi_0 \quad 0 \quad \pi_0 \quad 0 \quad 0)^\top.$$

# Data

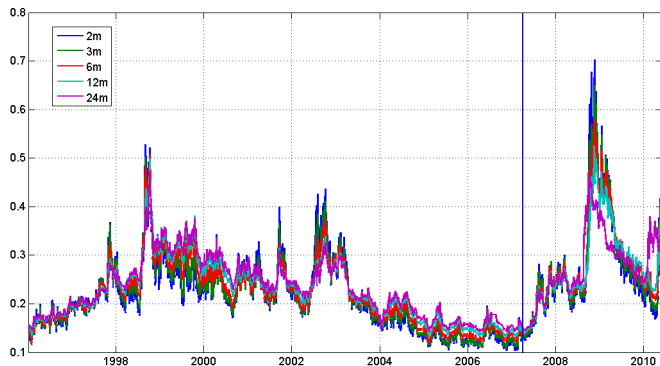


Figure: Variance swap rates  $\sqrt{VS(t, t + \tau)}$  on the S&P 500 index from Jan 4, 1996 to Jun 7, 2010. Source: Bloomberg

- ▶ In-sample (pre-crisis): Jan 4, 1996 to Apr 2, 2007
- ▶ Out of sample: Apr 3, 2007 to Jun 7, 2010

## Estimation Results: Bivariate Model

- ▶ Best fit for

$$dX_{1t} = (\ell + (\lambda + \beta_{11}) X_{1t} + \beta_{12} X_{2t}) dt + \sqrt{1 + A_1 X_{1t}^2} dW_{1t}$$

$$dX_{2t} = (b_2 + \beta_{22} X_{2t}) dt + \sqrt{X_{2t} + A_2 X_{2t}^2} dW_{2t}$$

- ▶ Recall spot variance  $v_t = \phi_0 + \psi_0 X_{1t} + \pi_0 X_{1t}^2$

$\beta_{11}$	$\beta_{12}$	$b_2$	$\beta_{22}$	$A_1$	$A_2$
-5.1720	4.2324	0.1824	-0.2483	3.3895	0.0985
(0.0903)	(0.2346)	(0.0322)	(0.0021)	(0.1206)	(0.0001)

$\phi_0$	$\psi_0$	$\pi_0$	MPR	$\ell$	$\lambda$
0.0175	0.0130	0.0283		-0.1770	-0.0021
(0.0002)	(0.0008)	(0.0004)		(0.0190)	(0.0868)

Table: Estimated parameters (robust standard errors into parentheses)

# In-Sample Analysis: Filtered Factors

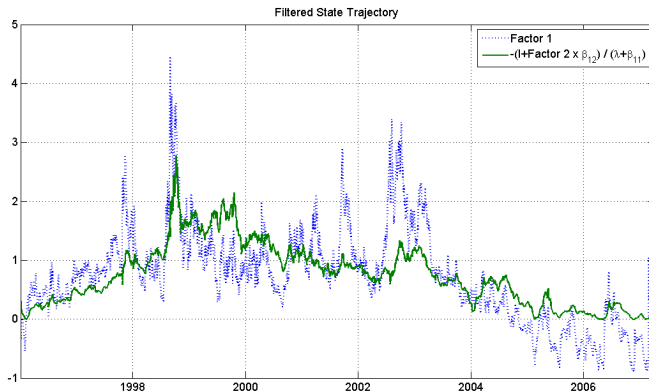
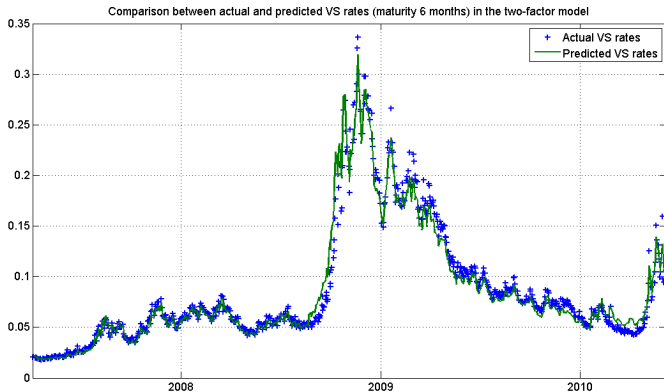


Figure: Filtered factors  $X_1$  vs. stochastic mean reversion level  $\frac{\ell + \beta_{12} X_2}{-(\lambda + \beta_{11})}$ .

# Out-of-Sample Analysis: Predicted VS



**Figure:** Out-of-sample predicted variance swap rates vs. data for 6 months maturity. **The quadratic diffusion model captures extreme movements and spikes.**

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# Motivation

## Dynamic credit risk models

- ▶ Security pricing (bonds and CDSs ~\$XX billions daily vol.)
- ▶ Risk management (portfolio, XVA, Basel III, IFRS 9)

## Reduced form models (v.s. structural models)

- ▶ Simplicity: exogenous defaults driven by market factors (Jarrow and Turnbull 1995, Lando 1998, Elliott, Jeanblanc, and Yor 2000)
- ▶ Affine default intensity models (Duffie and Singleton 1999, ...)
- ▶ Limitations: high dimension, non-vanilla pricing problems

## This paper

- ▶ New flexible class of (linear) credit risk models (related to Gabaix 2009, Filipović, Trolle, and Larsson 2016)
- ▶ Tractable: explicit bond and CDS pricing formulas
- ▶ Versatile: simple price approximation with moments

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## Cox construction of default time

- ▶ Default intensity process  $\lambda_t$  driven by some factors  $X_t$

$$\lambda_t = f(X_t) \geq 0$$

$\approx$  probability of default over a small period  $dt$  is  $\lambda_t dt$

- ▶ Default time  $\tau$  is defined by

$$\tau = \inf \left\{ t \geq 0 : \int_0^t \lambda_s ds \geq E \right\}$$

where  $E$  is an exponential random variable with mean 1

- ▶ Conditional survival probability

$$\mathbb{P}[\tau > t \mid (X_s)_{0 \leq s \leq t}] = \exp \left( - \int_0^t f(X_s) ds \right)$$

positive non-increasing function of  $t$  starting at 1

## Alternative construction

- ▶ Let  $S_t$  be a positive non-increasing process starting at 1
- ▶ Default time  $\tau$  is defined by

$$\tau = \inf \{t \geq 0 : S_t \leq U\}$$

where  $U$  is a uniform variable on  $(0, 1)$

- ▶ When  $S_t$  is driven by some factors  $X_t$  we obtain

$$\mathbb{P}[\tau > t \mid (X_s)_{0 \leq s \leq t}] = S_t$$

- ▶ Two filtrations
  - ▶  $\mathcal{F}_t$  = all the information about  $X_t$  up to time  $t$
  - ▶  $\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{F}_t$  and whether default occurred by time  $t$

# The linear framework

## Specification

Model directly the survival process  $S_t$ ! Linear drift

$$\begin{aligned}dS_t &= -\gamma^\top X_t dt - dM_t^S \\dX_t &= (\beta S_t + BX_t)dt + dM_t^X\end{aligned}$$

$\gamma, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -martingales  $M_t^S \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $M_t^X \in \mathbb{R}^m$

## Conditions to verify

- ▶ non-increasing process:  $-\gamma^\top X_t dt - dM_t^S \leq 0$
- ▶ positive process:  $S_t > 0$

When  $M_t^S = 0$  the default intensity is given by

$$\lambda_t = \frac{\gamma^\top X_t}{S_t}$$

## One-factor model

Set  $m = 1$ ,  $M_t^S = 0$ , and  $M_t^X$  such that  $X_t \in [0, S_t]$

$$dS_t = -\gamma X_t dt$$

$$dX_t = (\beta S_t + BX_t)dt + \sigma \sqrt{X_t(S_t - X_t)}dW_t$$

Conditions are verified by construction for any  $\gamma > 0$

- ▶  $dS_t \leq 0$  since  $X_t \geq 0$
- ▶  $S_t \geq e^{-\gamma t} > 0$  since  $\lambda_t = \frac{\gamma X_t}{S_t} \in [0, \gamma]$

### Lemma

The process  $(S_t, X_t)$  is well-defined if and only if

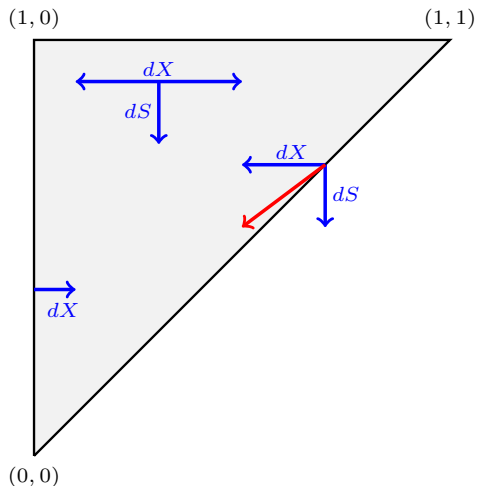
$$\beta \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\gamma + B + \beta) \leq 0$$



# One-factor model II

## Inward pointing condition

The state space of the process  $(S_t, X_t)$  is of the form



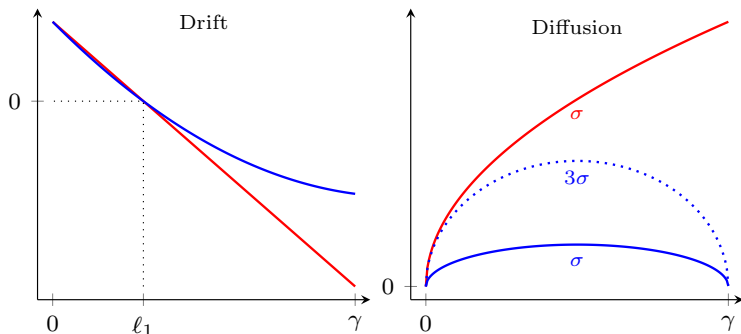
## One-factor model III

The default intensity has an autonomous dynamics

$$d\lambda_t = (\ell_1 - \lambda_t)(\lambda_t - \ell_2) dt + \sigma \sqrt{\lambda_t(\gamma - \lambda_t)} dW_t$$

One-factor affine default intensity model

$$d\lambda_t = \ell_2(\lambda_t - \ell_1) dt + \sigma \sqrt{\lambda_t} dW_t$$



# The linear hypercube model

Polynomial diffusion (Filipović and Larsson 2016) with state space

$$E = \{(s, x) \in \mathbb{R}^{1+m} : s \in (0, 1] \text{ and } x \in [0, s]^m\}$$

The process dynamics rewrites

$$\begin{aligned}dS_t &= -\gamma^\top X_t dt \\dX_t &= (\beta S_t + BX_t) dt + \Sigma(S_t, X_t) dW_t\end{aligned}$$

with  $\Sigma(s, x) = \text{diag}(\sigma_1 \sqrt{x_1(s - x_1)}, \dots, \sigma_m \sqrt{x_m(s - x_m)})$

The default intensity satisfies  $0 \leq \lambda_t \leq \gamma^\top \mathbf{1}$

## Lemma

The process  $(X_t, S_t)$  is well defined if and only if

$$\beta_i - \sum_{j \neq i} B_{ij}^- \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_i + B_{ii} + \beta_i + \sum_{j \neq i} (\gamma_j + B_{ij})^+ \leq 0$$

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## Defaultable bond

Assume henceforth constant risk-free interest rate  $r$   
Security  $B$  pays one if  $\tau > T$  and zero otherwise

$$\begin{aligned}B^Z(t, T) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > T\}} \mid \mathcal{G}_t \right] \\&= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{-r(T-t)} \frac{S_T}{S_t} \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] \\&= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \frac{e^{-r(T-t)}}{S_t} \psi_Z(t, T)^\top \begin{pmatrix} S_t \\ X_t \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

with the vector  $\psi_Z(t, T)^\top = (1; 0_m)^\top e^{A(T-t)}$  which follows from

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} S_T \\ X_T \end{pmatrix} \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = e^{A(T-t)} \begin{pmatrix} S_t \\ X_t \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\gamma^\top \\ \beta & B \end{pmatrix}$$

**Affine models require (numerical) resolution of ODEs**

## Contingent cash-flow

Security  $C^D$  pays one at  $\tau$  if and only if  $t < \tau < T$

$$\begin{aligned}C^D(t, T) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \mathbb{E} \left[ \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau < T\}} e^{-r(\tau-t)} \mid \mathcal{G}_t \right] \\&= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \int_t^T e^{-r(s-t)} d\mathbb{P} [\tau < s \mid \mathcal{G}_t] \\&= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \int_t^T e^{-r(s-t)} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\gamma^\top X_s}{S_t} \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] ds \\&= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \frac{1}{S_t} \psi_D(t, T)^\top \begin{pmatrix} S_t \\ X_t \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

with the vector  $\psi_D(t, T)^\top = (0 \quad \gamma^\top) A_*^{-1} (e^{A_*(T-t)} - \text{Id})$  and the matrix  $A_* = A - \text{Id}r$

**Affine models require numerical integration**

## Credit default swap

Protection against firm default over the period  $(T_0, T)$  in exchange of premium payments until default or maturity

$$V_{\text{CDS}}(t, T_0, T, k) = V_{\text{prot}}(t, T_0, T) - k V_{\text{prem}}(t, T_0, T)$$

With constant recovery rate  $R$ , protection leg and premium leg are linear combinations of contingent bonds and cash-flows

$$V_{\text{CDS}}(t, T_0, T, k) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \frac{1}{S_t} \psi_{\text{CDS}}(t, T_0, T, k)^\top \begin{pmatrix} S_t \\ X_t \end{pmatrix}$$

where the vector  $\psi_{\text{CDS}}(t, T_0, T, k)$  is explicit

**Bonds and CDS prices do not depend on  $M_t^S$  and  $M_t^X$**

⇒ Some flexibility in modelling unspanned factors

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# Model specification and data

## A LHC cascading structure (LHCC)

$$dS_t = -\gamma_1 X_{1t} dt$$

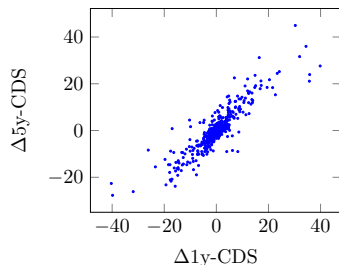
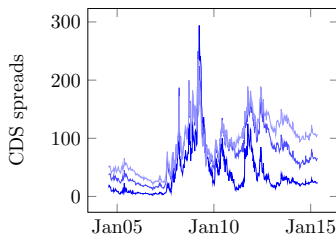
$$dX_{it} = \kappa_i (\theta_i X_{(i+1)t} - X_{it}) dt + \sigma_i \sqrt{X_{it}(S_t - X_{it})} dW_{it}$$

$$dX_{mt} = \kappa_m (\theta_m S_t - X_{mt}) dt + \sigma_m \sqrt{X_{mt}(S_t - X_{mt})} dW_{mt}$$

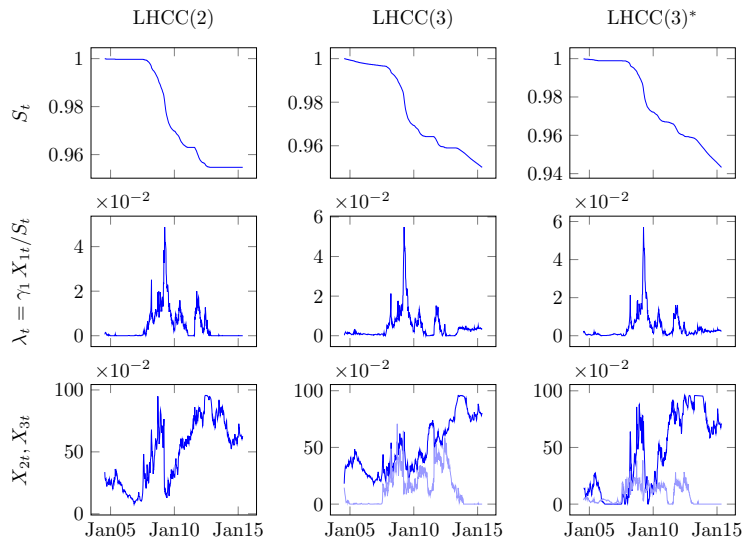
Three fits:  $m \in \{2, 3\}$ , and  $m = 3$  with  $\gamma_1 = 25\%$

## Data

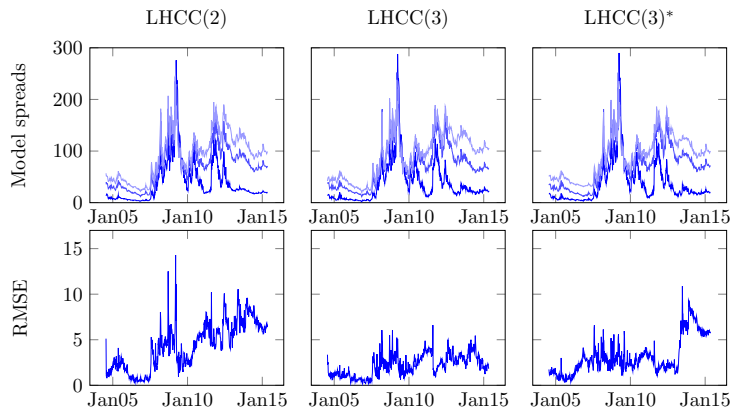
1-year to 10-year CDS spreads on J.P. Morgan,  $r = 2.53\%$ .



# Filtered fitted factors



# Fitted spreads and errors



specification / RMSE	<b>all</b>	1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	4 yrs	5 yrs	7 yrs	10 yrs
two-factor	<b>5.08</b>	4.30	4.59	5.36	6.19	5.98	2.67	5.71
three-factor	<b>2.53</b>	1.93	2.56	2.36	2.70	3.65	2.21	1.86
three-factor & $\gamma = 25\%$	<b>3.77</b>	2.48	2.25	3.59	5.03	4.77	2.43	4.73

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## Single-name Europ. CDS Option

$$\begin{aligned}\text{CDSO}(t, T_0, T, k) &= \mathbb{E} \left[ e^{-r(T_0-t)} V_{\text{CDS}}(T_0, T_0, T, k)^+ \mid \mathcal{G}_t \right] \\ &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \frac{e^{-r(T_0-t)}}{S_t} \mathbb{E} \left[ Z(T_0, T, k)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right]\end{aligned}$$

with  $Z(T_0, T, k) = \psi_{\text{CDS}}(T_0, T_0, T, k)^\top \begin{pmatrix} S_{T_0} \\ X_{T_0} \end{pmatrix}$ .

LHC model takes values on a compact support

$Z(T_0, T, k) \in [a, b]$  and analytic moments  $\mathbb{E} [Z(T_0, T, k)^n \mid \mathcal{F}_t]$

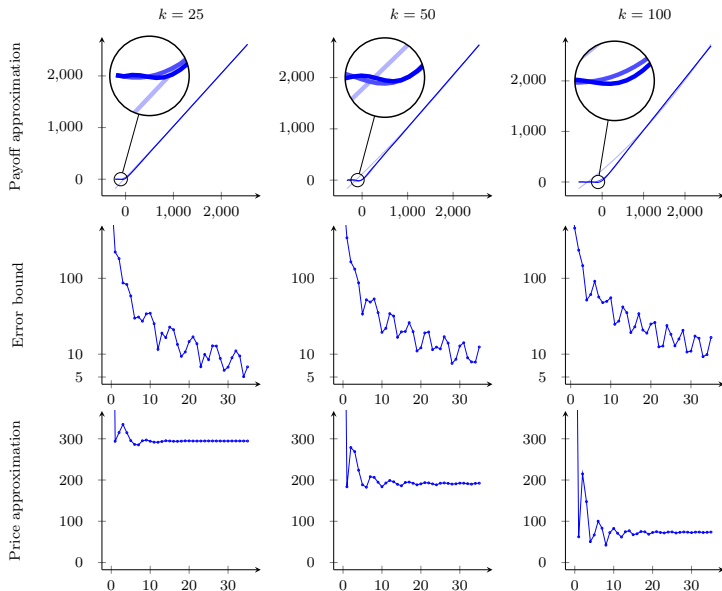
Price approximation

Polynomial series  $p_n(z)$  converging to  $(z)^+$  on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\mathbb{E} [p^n(Z(T_0, T, k)) \mid \mathcal{F}_t] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} [Z(T_0, T, k)^+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t]$$

with non-tight error upper bound  $\|p^n(z) - (z)^+\|_\infty$  on  $[a, b]$

# CDSO price approximates



# Conclusion

- ▶ New class of reduced form models for credit-risk
- ▶ Model directly the survival process  $S_t = \mathbb{P}[\tau > t \mid \mathcal{F}_t]$
- ▶ Analytical formulas for defaultable bond and CDS prices
- ▶ Accurate CDS option price approximation (LHC model)
- ▶ Promising directions: multi-firm models, XVA, ...

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# Near-zero short-term interest rates



# Contribution

- ▶ Existing models that respect zero lower bound (ZLB) on interest rates face limitations:
  - ▶ Shadow-rate models do not capture volatility dynamics
  - ▶ Multi-factor CIR and quadratic models do not easily accommodate unspanned factors and swaption pricing
- ▶ We develop a new class of linear-rational term structure models
  - ▶ Respects ZLB on interest rates
  - ▶ Easily accommodates unspanned factors affecting volatility and risk premia
  - ▶ Admits analytical solutions to swaptions
- ▶ Extensive empirical analysis
  - ▶ Parsimonious model specification has very good fit to interest rate swaps and swaptions since 1997
  - ▶ Captures many features of term structure, volatility, and risk premia dynamics.

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## State price density

- ▶ Filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P})$
- ▶ State price density: positive process  $\zeta_t$
- ▶ Model price at  $t$  of any claim  $C_T$  maturing at  $T$ :

$$\Pi(t, T) = \frac{1}{\zeta_t} \mathbb{E}[\zeta_T C_T \mid \mathcal{F}_t]$$

This gives an arbitrage-free price system.

- ▶ Relation to short rate  $r_t$  and pricing measure  $\mathbb{Q}$ :

$$\frac{\zeta_t}{\zeta_0} = e^{-\int_0^t r_s ds} \times \frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_t}$$

## Factor model

- ▶ Factor process  $Z$  with range  $E \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  and **linear drift**:

$$dZ_t = \kappa(\theta - Z_t) dt + dM_t,$$

where  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $M_t$  is a martingale.

- ▶ Specify state price density as **linear in  $Z_t$**

$$\zeta_t = e^{-\alpha t} \left( \phi + \psi^\top Z_t \right)$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\phi \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\psi \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , such that

$$\phi + \psi^\top z > 0 \quad \text{on } E$$

## Linear-rational term structure

### Lemma 12.1.

The  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -conditional expectation of  $Z_T$  is

$$\mathbb{E}[Z_T | \mathcal{F}_t] = \theta + e^{-\kappa(T-t)}(Z_t - \theta)$$

⇒ **Linear-rational** zero-coupon bond prices

$$P(t, T) = F(T - t, Z_t)$$

where

$$F(\tau, z) = e^{-\alpha\tau} \frac{\phi + \psi^\top \theta + \psi^\top e^{-\kappa\tau}(z - \theta)}{\phi + \psi^\top z}$$

⇒ **Linear-rational** short rate

$$r_t = -\partial_T \log P(t, T)|_{T=t} = \alpha - \frac{\psi^\top \kappa (\theta - Z_t)}{\phi + \psi^\top Z_t}$$

## Choice of $\alpha$

Define

$$\alpha^* = \sup_{z \in E} \frac{\psi^\top \kappa(\theta - z)}{\phi + \psi^\top z} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_* = \inf_{z \in E} \frac{\psi^\top \kappa(\theta - z)}{\phi + \psi^\top z}.$$

- ▶ Should arrange so that  $\alpha^* < \infty$  to get  $r_t$  bounded below
- ▶ With  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ , we get

$$r_t \in [0, \alpha^* - \alpha_*]$$

- ▶ For the model to be useful, this range must be wide enough
- ▶ If eigenvalues of  $\kappa$  have nonnegative real part then

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{T-t} \log P(t, T) = \alpha \quad \text{infinite maturity ZCB yield}$$



# Unspanned stochastic volatility

- ▶ Empirical fact: volatility risk cannot be hedged using bonds
  - ▶ Collin-Dufresne & Goldstein (02): Interest rate swaps can hedge only **10%–50% of variation in ATM straddles** (a volatility-sensitive instrument)
  - ▶ Heidari & Wu (03): Level/curve/slope explain 99.5% of yield curve variation, but **59.5% of variation in swaption implied vol**
- ▶ Phenomenon is called **Unspanned Stochastic Volatility (USV)**
- ▶ Fact: nonnegative exponential-affine term structure models cannot (generically) produce USV

## Spanned vs. unspanned factors

- ▶ Recall factor dynamics

$$dZ_t = \kappa(\theta - Z_t) dt + dM_t$$

- ▶ Linear-rational ZCB prices  $P(t, T) = F(T - t, Z_t)$  where

$$F(\tau, z) = e^{-\alpha\tau} \frac{\phi + \psi^\top \theta + \psi^\top e^{-\kappa\tau} (z - \theta)}{\phi + \psi^\top z}$$

- $\Rightarrow F(\tau, z)$  depends on drift of  $Z_t$  only
- $\Rightarrow$  Specify exogenous factors  $U_t$  feeding in martingale part of  $Z_t$
- $\Rightarrow U_t$  **unspanned** by term structure, give rise to USV

# Term structure factors

- ▶ The **term structure kernel**  $\mathcal{U}$  is defined as orthogonal complement in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  to factor loadings of the term structure

$$\mathcal{U} = \bigcap_{\tau \geq 0, z \in E} \ker \nabla_z F(\tau, z)$$

## Theorem 12.2.

1. Identity  $\mathcal{U} = \text{span} \{ \psi, \kappa^\top \psi, \dots, \kappa^{(m-1)\top} \psi \}^\perp$
2. After dimension reduction if necessary we can assume  $\mathcal{U} = \{0\}$ , such that  $Z_t$  become **term structure factors**
3. Term structure  $F(\tau, z)$  injective if and only if  $\mathcal{U} = \{0\}$ ,  $\kappa$  is invertible, and  $\phi + \psi^\top \theta \neq 0$

# Interest rate swaps

- ▶ Exchange a stream of fixed-rate for floating-rate payments
- ▶ Consider a tenor structure

$$T_0 < T_1 < \dots < T_n, \quad T_i - T_{i-1} \equiv \Delta$$

- ▶ At  $T_i$ ,  $i = 1 \dots n$ :
  - ▶ pay  $\Delta k$ , for fixed rate  $k$
  - ▶ receive floating LIBOR  $\Delta L(T_{i-1}, T_i) = \frac{1}{P(T_{i-1}, T_i)} - 1$
- ▶ Value of **payer swap** at  $t \leq T_0$

$$\Pi_t^{\text{swap}} = \underbrace{P(t, T_0) - P(t, T_n)}_{\text{floating leg}} - \underbrace{\Delta k \sum_{i=1}^n P(t, T_i)}_{\text{fixed leg}}$$

- ▶ Forward swap rate  $S_t = \frac{P(t, T_0) - P(t, T_n)}{\Delta \sum_{i=1}^n P(t, T_i)}$

# Swaptions

- ▶ **Payer swaption** = option to enter the swap at  $T_0$  paying fixed, receiving floating
- ▶ Payoff at expiry  $T_0$  of the form

$$C_{T_0} = (\Pi_{T_0}^{\text{swap}})^+ = \left( \sum_{i=0}^n c_i P(T_0, T_i) \right)^+ = \frac{1}{\zeta_{T_0}} p_{\text{swap}}(Z_{T_0})^+$$

for the explicit **linear function**

$$p_{\text{swap}}(z) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i e^{-\alpha T_i} \left( \phi + \psi^\top \theta + \psi^\top e^{-\kappa(T_i - T_0)} (z - \theta) \right)$$

- ▶ Swaption price at  $t \leq T_0$  is given by

$$\Pi_t^{\text{swaption}} = \frac{1}{\zeta_t} \mathbb{E}[\zeta_{T_0} C_{T_0} \mid \mathcal{F}_t] = \frac{1}{\zeta_t} \mathbb{E}_t [p_{\text{swap}}(Z_{T_0})^+]$$

- ▶ Efficient swaption pricing via **Fourier transform** ...!

# Fourier transform

- ▶ Define

$$\widehat{q}(x) = \mathbb{E}_t [\exp(x p_{\text{swap}}(Z_{T_0}))]$$

for every  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  such that the conditional expectation is well-defined

- ▶ Then

$$\Pi_t^{\text{swaption}} = \frac{1}{\zeta_t \pi} \int_0^\infty \text{Re} \left[ \frac{\widehat{q}(\mu + i\lambda)}{(\mu + i\lambda)^2} \right] d\lambda$$

for any  $\mu > 0$  with  $\widehat{q}(\mu) < \infty$

- ▶  $\widehat{q}(x)$  has semi-analytical solution in LRSQ model

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# Linear-Rational Square-Root (LRSQ) model

- ▶ Objective: A model with joint factor process  $(Z_t, U_t)$ , where
  - ▶  $Z_t$ :  $m$  term structure factors
  - ▶  $U_t$ :  $n \leq m$  USV factors
- ▶ Denoted **LRSQ(m,n)**
- ▶ Based on a  $(m+n)$ -dimensional square-root diffusion process  $X_t$  taking values in  $\mathbb{R}_+^{m+n}$  of the form

$$dX_t = (b - \beta X_t) dt + \text{Diag} \left( \sigma_1 \sqrt{X_{1t}}, \dots, \sigma_{m+n} \sqrt{X_{m+n,t}} \right) dB_t,$$

- ▶ Define  $(Z_t, U_t) = SX_t$  as linear transform of  $X_t$
- ▶ Need to specify a  $(m+n) \times (m+n)$ -matrix  $S$  such that
  - ▶ the implied term structure state space is  $E = \mathbb{R}_+^m$
  - ▶ the drift of  $Z_t$  does not depend on  $U_t$ , while  $U_t$  feeds into the martingale part of  $Z_t$



## Linear-Rational Square-Root (LRSQ) model (cont.)

- ▶  $S$  given by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Id}_m & A \\ 0 & \text{Id}_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } A = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Id}_n \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶  $\beta$  chosen upper block-triangular of the form

$$\beta = S^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 \\ 0 & A^\top \kappa A \end{pmatrix} S = \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & \kappa A - AA^\top \kappa A \\ 0 & A^\top \kappa A \end{pmatrix}$$

for some  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$

- ▶  $b$  given by

$$b = \beta S^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ \theta_U \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \kappa \theta - AA^\top \kappa A \theta_U \\ A^\top \kappa A \theta_U \end{pmatrix}$$

for some  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\theta_U \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

## Linear-Rational Square-Root (LRSQ) model (cont.)

- ▶ Resulting joint factor process  $(Z_t, U_t)$ :

$$dZ_t = \kappa(\theta - Z_t)dt + \sigma(Z_t, U_t)dB_t$$

$$dU_t = A^\top \kappa A (\theta_U - U_t) dt + \text{Diag} \left( \sigma_{m+1} \sqrt{U_{1t}} dB_{m+1,t}, \dots, \sigma_{m+n} \sqrt{U_{nt}} dB_{m+n,t} \right),$$

with dispersion function of  $Z_t$  given by

$$\sigma(z, u) = (\text{Id}_m, A) \text{Diag} \left( \sigma_1 \sqrt{z_1 - u_1}, \dots, \sigma_{m+n} \sqrt{u_n} \right)$$

- ▶ Example: **LRSQ(1,1)**

$$dZ_{1t} = \kappa(\theta - Z_{1t})dt + \sigma_1 \sqrt{Z_{1t} - U_{1t}} dB_{1t} + \sigma_2 \sqrt{U_{1t}} dB_{2t}$$

$$dU_{1t} = \kappa(\theta_U - U_{1t})dt + \sigma_2 \sqrt{U_{1t}} dB_{2t}$$

## Example: LRSQ(3, 1)

$$\blacktriangleright \beta = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} \kappa_{11} & \kappa_{12} & \kappa_{13} & 0 \\ \kappa_{21} & \kappa_{22} & \kappa_{23} & \kappa_{21} \\ \kappa_{31} & \kappa_{32} & \kappa_{33} & \kappa_{31} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \kappa_{11} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\blacktriangleright \begin{pmatrix} Z_{1t} \\ Z_{2t} \\ Z_{3t} \\ \hline U_{1t} \end{pmatrix} = SX_t = \begin{pmatrix} X_{1t} + X_{4t} \\ X_{2t} \\ X_{3t} \\ \hline X_{4t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \sigma(z, u) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} \sigma_1 \sqrt{z_1 - u_1} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \sqrt{z_2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \sqrt{z_3} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} \end{array} \right)$$

## Example: LRSQ(3, 2)

$$\blacktriangleright \beta = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} \kappa_{11} & \kappa_{12} & \kappa_{13} & 0 & 0 \\ \kappa_{21} & \kappa_{22} & \kappa_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ \kappa_{31} & \kappa_{32} & \kappa_{33} & \kappa_{31} & \kappa_{32} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \kappa_{11} & \kappa_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \kappa_{21} & \kappa_{22} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\blacktriangleright \begin{pmatrix} Z_{1t} \\ Z_{2t} \\ Z_{3t} \\ \hline U_{1t} \\ U_{2t} \end{pmatrix} = SX_t = \begin{pmatrix} X_{1t} + X_{4t} \\ X_{2t} + X_{5t} \\ X_{3t} \\ \hline X_{4t} \\ X_{5t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \sigma(z, u) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} \sigma_1 \sqrt{z_1 - u_1} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \sqrt{z_2 - u_2} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_5 \sqrt{u_2} \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \sqrt{z_3} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_5 \sqrt{u_2} \end{array} \right)$$

## Example: LRSQ(3, 3)

$$\blacktriangleright \beta = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \kappa & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \kappa \end{array} \right)$$

$$\blacktriangleright \begin{pmatrix} Z_{1t} \\ Z_{2t} \\ Z_{3t} \\ \hline U_{1t} \\ U_{2t} \\ U_{3t} \end{pmatrix} = SX_t = \begin{pmatrix} X_{1t} + X_{4t} \\ X_{2t} + X_{5t} \\ X_{3t} + X_{6t} \\ \hline X_{4t} \\ X_{5t} \\ X_{6t} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \sigma(z, u) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \sigma_1 \sqrt{z_1 - u_1} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \sqrt{z_2 - u_2} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_5 \sqrt{u_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \sqrt{z_3 - u_3} & 0 & 0 & \sigma_6 \sqrt{u_3} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_4 \sqrt{u_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_5 \sqrt{u_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_6 \sqrt{u_3} \end{array} \right)$$

# Linear-rational vs. exponential-affine framework

	Exponential-affine	Linear-rational
Short rate	affine	LR
ZCB price	exponential-affine	LR
ZCB yield	affine	log of LR
Coupon bond price	sum of exponential-affines	LR
Swap rate	ratio of sums of exponential-affines	LR
ZLB	(✓)	✓
USV	(✓)	✓
Cap/floor valuation	semi-analytical	semi-analytical
Swaption valuation	approximate	semi-analytical
Linear state inversion	ZCB yields	bond prices or swap rates

# Linear-rational vs. exponential-affine framework: MPR

Exponential-affine model:

$$P(t, T) = e^{A(T-t) + B(T-t)^\top Z_t}$$

- ▶  $Z_t$  square-root diffusion under **risk-neutral measure  $\mathbb{Q}$**
- ▶ Market price of risk  $\lambda_t$  determining  $\frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}}$  **exogenous**

LRSQ model:

$$P(t, T) = e^{-\alpha(T-t)} \frac{\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{1}^\top \theta + \mathbf{1}^\top e^{-\kappa(T-t)} (Z_t - \theta)}{\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{1}^\top Z_t}$$

- ▶  $Z_t$  square-root diffusion under **historical measure  $\mathbb{P}$**
- ▶ Market price of risk  $\lambda_t$  determining  $\frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{d\mathbb{P}}$  **endogenous**

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- ▶  $Z_t$  square-root diffusion under **auxiliary measure  $\mathbb{A}$**
- ▶ Market price of risk  $\lambda_t$  determining  $\frac{dQ}{dP} = \frac{dQ}{d\mathbb{A}} \frac{d\mathbb{A}}{dP}$  **exogenous**



# Extended state price density specification

- ▶ Linear state price density specification: market price of risk

$$\lambda_t = -\frac{\sigma(Z_t, U_t)^\top \psi}{\phi + \psi^\top Z_t}.$$

- ▶ Alternatively, develop model under auxiliary measure  $\mathbb{A}$ :

- ▶ State price density:  $\zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}} = e^{-\alpha t}(\phi + \psi^\top Z_t)$
- ▶ Factor process dynamics:  $dZ_t = \kappa(\theta - Z_t)dt + dM_t^{\mathbb{A}}$
- ▶ Basic pricing formula:  $\Pi(t, T) = \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{A}}[\zeta_T^{\mathbb{A}} C_T] / \zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}}$

- ▶ Extended state price density specification

$$\zeta_t^{\mathbb{P}} = \zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}} \mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{P}}[d\mathbb{A}/d\mathbb{P}] = \zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}} \mathcal{E}\left(-\int_0^t \delta_s^\top dB_s^{\mathbb{P}}\right)$$

with (Alvarez & Jermann (2005), Hansen & Scheinkman (2009))

- ▶ transitory component  $\zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}}$
- ▶ permanent component  $\mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{P}}[d\mathbb{A}/d\mathbb{P}]$

## Extended state price density specification

- ▶ Market price of risk now given by

$$\lambda_t^{\mathbb{P}} = -\frac{\sigma(Z_t, U_t)^\top \psi}{\phi + \psi^\top Z_t} + \delta_t$$

- ▶ In LRSQ model: no additional **unspanned risk premium factors**

$$\delta_t = (\delta_1 \sqrt{X_{1t}}, \dots, \delta_{m+n} \sqrt{X_{m+n,t}})^\top$$

- ▶  $\mathbb{A}$  is **long forward measure**:

$$\frac{\zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}} P(t, T)}{\zeta_0^{\mathbb{A}} P(0, T)} = \frac{\phi + \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{A}}[\psi^\top Z_T]}{\phi + \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{A}}[\psi^\top Z_T]} \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence deflating by  $\zeta_t^{\mathbb{A}}/\zeta_0^{\mathbb{A}}$  amounts to discounting by gross return on **long-term bond**  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P(t, T)}{P(0, T)}$

It also implies that the long-term bond is growth optimal under  $\mathbb{A}$  (Qin & Linetsky 2015)

# Outline

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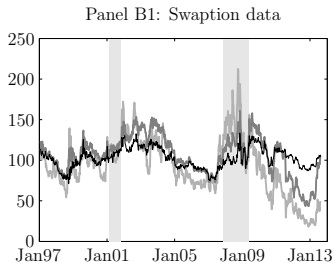
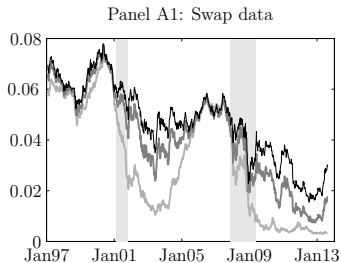
The linear-rational framework

The Linear-Rational Square-Root (LRSQ) model

**Empirical analysis**

# Data and estimation approach

- ▶ Panel data set of swaps and swaptions
- ▶ Swap maturities: 1Y, 2Y, 3Y, 5Y, 7Y, 10Y
- ▶ Swaptions expiries: 3M, 1Y, 2Y, 5Y
- ▶ 866 weekly observations, Jan 29, 1997 – Aug 28, 2013
- ▶ Estimation approach: Quasi-maximum likelihood in conjunction with the unscented Kalman Filter



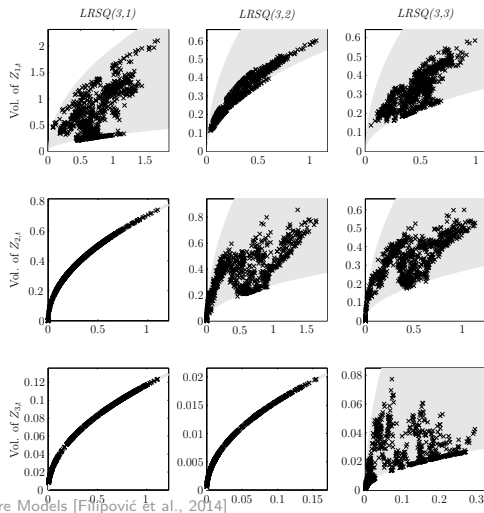
# Model specifications

- ▶ Model specifications (always 3 term structure factors)
  - ▶ **LRSQ(3,1)**: volatility of  $Z_{1t}$  containing an unspanned component
  - ▶ **LRSQ(3,2)**: volatility of  $Z_{1t}$  and  $Z_{2t}$  containing unspanned components
  - ▶ **LRSQ(3,3)**: volatility of term structure factors containing unspanned components
- ▶  $\alpha = \alpha^*$  and range of  $r_t$ :

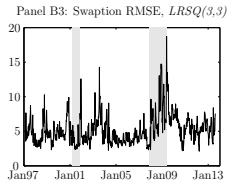
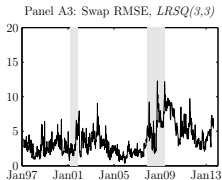
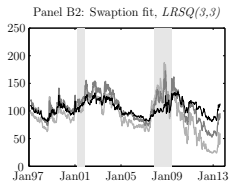
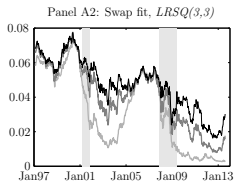
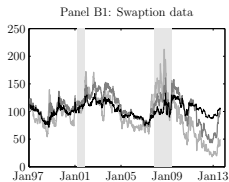
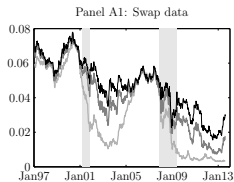
	<i>LRSQ(3,1)</i>	<i>LRSQ(3,2)</i>	<i>LRSQ(3,3)</i>
Long ZCB yield $\alpha$	7.46%	6.88%	5.66%
Upper bound on $r_t$	20%	146%	72%

# Level-dependence in factor volatilities

- ▶ Volatility of  $Z_{it}$  with USV:  $\sqrt{\sigma_i^2 Z_{it} + (\sigma_{i+3}^2 - \sigma_i^2) U_{it}}$
- ▶ Volatility of  $Z_{it}$  without USV:  $\sigma_i \sqrt{Z_{it}}$

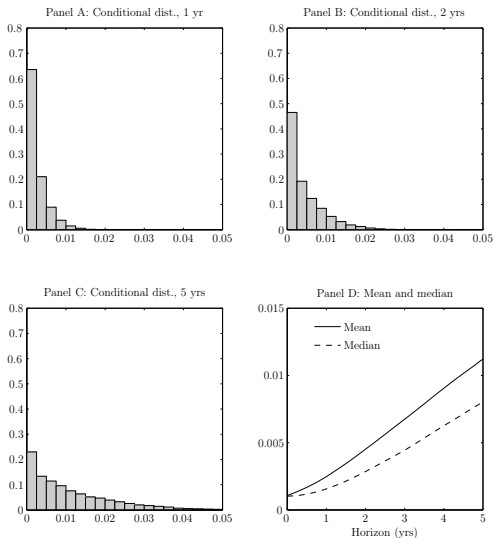


# Fit to data, $LRSQ(3,3)$



# Short-rate dynamics near the ZLB

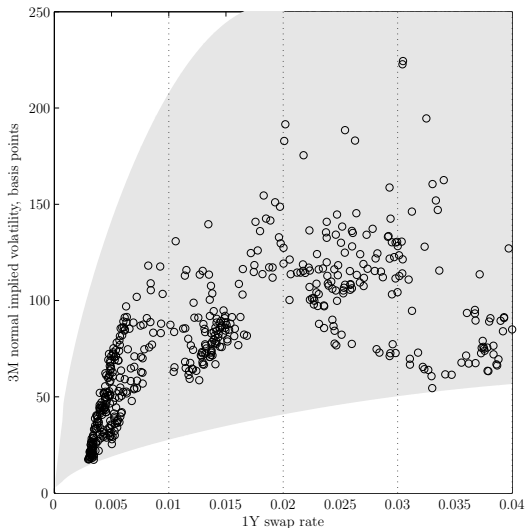
- ▶ Conditional density of  $r_t$  given  $r_0 \leq 25\text{bps}$ ,  $LRSQ(3,3)$





# Volatility dynamics near the ZLB

- ▶ Level-dependence in volatility, 3M/1Y IV vs. 1Y rate



## Level-dependence in volatility

- ▶ Regress weekly changes in the 3M swaption IV on weekly changes in the swap rate

$$\Delta\sigma_{N,t} = \beta_0 + \beta_1\Delta S_t + \epsilon_t$$

	1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	5 yrs	7 yrs	10 yrs	Mean
<i>Panel A: <math>\hat{\beta}_1</math></i>							
All	0.18** (2.38)	0.16*** (2.88)	0.16*** (3.31)	0.16*** (4.12)	0.16*** (4.59)	0.16*** (4.97)	0.16
0%-1%	1.20*** (8.03)	0.74*** (8.79)	0.62*** (8.19)	0.48*** (7.83)			0.76
1%-2%	0.54*** (2.70)	0.64*** (6.21)	0.46*** (6.77)	0.52*** (5.02)	0.45*** (5.23)	0.26*** (8.24)	0.48
2%-3%	0.28*** (3.10)	0.11** (1.97)	0.30*** (3.77)	0.36*** (5.08)	0.40*** (5.62)	0.40*** (4.93)	0.31
3%-4%	-0.02 (-0.22)	0.11 (1.21)	0.06	0.05 (0.80)	0.11* (1.82)	0.17* (1.96)	0.08
4%-5%	0.04 (0.31)	-0.07 (-0.82)	0.01 (0.08)	0.08 (1.59)	0.07* (1.76)	0.07* (1.65)	0.03
<i>Panel B: <math>R^2</math></i>							
All	0.05	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.08
0%-1%	0.52	0.54	0.54	0.44			0.51
1%-2%	0.25	0.49	0.45	0.55	0.55	0.27	0.43
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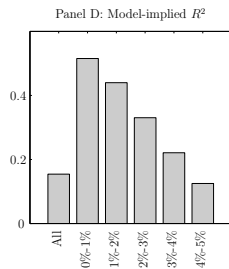
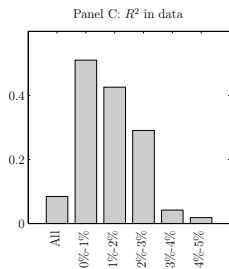
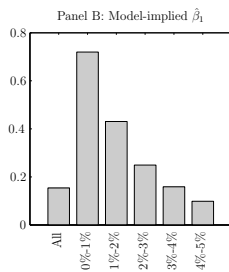
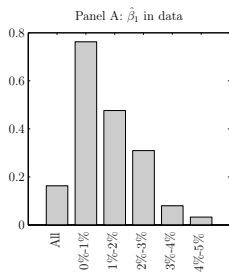
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# Level-dependence in volatility, $LRSQ(3,3)$



# Unconditional excess returns

► Unconditional 1M excess ZCB returns, % annualized

		1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	5 yrs	7 yrs	10 yrs
Data	Mean	0.58	1.56	2.39	3.61	4.46	5.43
	Vol	0.71	1.72	2.82	4.96	6.96	9.86
	SR	0.82	0.91	0.85	0.73	0.64	0.55
$LRSQ(3,1)$	Mean	0.37	0.74	1.10	1.77	2.39	3.21
	Vol	0.57	1.28	2.14	4.02	5.83	8.19
	SR	0.64	0.58	0.51	0.44	0.41	0.39
$LRSQ(3,2)$	Mean	0.37	0.70	1.01	1.60	2.14	2.83
	Vol	0.53	1.21	1.97	3.54	5.04	7.08
	SR	0.69	0.58	0.51	0.45	0.42	0.40
$LRSQ(3,3)$	Mean	0.25	0.58	0.91	1.53	2.04	2.63
	Vol	0.57	1.19	1.92	3.51	5.06	7.21
	SR	0.43	0.48	0.47	0.44	0.40	0.36
$LRSQ(3,3), \delta_t = 0$	Mean	-0.03	0.01	0.10	0.34	0.60	0.97
	Vol	1.01	1.71	2.35	3.75	5.23	7.31
	SR	-0.03	0.01	0.04	0.09	0.11	0.13

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- ▶ Regress  $R_{t+1}^e = \beta_0 + \beta_{Slp} Slp_t + \beta_{Vol} Vol_t + \epsilon_{t+1}$
- ▶  $Slp_t$ : slope of swap term structure (standardized)
- ▶  $Vol_t$ : 1M swaption IV (standardized)

		1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	5 yrs	7 yrs	10 yrs
Data	$\hat{\beta}_{Slp}$	-0.025 (-1.548)	-0.009 (-0.215)	0.027 (0.403)	0.092 (0.838)	0.121 (0.845)	0.166 (0.832)
	$\hat{\beta}_{Vol}$	0.058*** (4.459)	0.114*** (3.409)	0.144** (2.506)	0.169 (1.546)	0.206 (1.395)	0.210 (0.963)
	$R^2$	0.102	0.051	0.037	0.025	0.020	0.013
$LRSQ(3,1)$	$\hat{\beta}_{Slp}$	0.004	0.003	-0.004	-0.032	-0.065	-0.102
	$\hat{\beta}_{Vol}$	0.012	0.017	0.026	0.058	0.096	0.148
	$R^2$	0.007	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.004
$LRSQ(3,2)$	$\hat{\beta}_{Slp}$	0.000	0.002	0.008	0.018	0.021	0.014
	$\hat{\beta}_{Vol}$	0.016	0.033	0.049	0.072	0.088	0.112
	$R^2$	0.011	0.009	0.008	0.005	0.004	0.003
$LRSQ(3,3)$	$\hat{\beta}_{Slp}$	0.025	0.038	0.046	0.055	0.059	0.059
	$\hat{\beta}_{Vol}$	0.031	0.054	0.074	0.112	0.143	0.182
	$R^2$	0.082	0.054	0.035	0.020	0.014	0.010
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# Conclusion

- ▶ Key features of framework:
  - ▶ Respects ZLB on interest rates
  - ▶ Easily accommodates unspanned factors affecting volatility and risk premia
  - ▶ Admits semi-analytical solutions to swaptions
- ▶ Extensive empirical analysis:
  - ▶ Parsimonious model specification has very good fit to interest rate swaps and swaptions since 1997
  - ▶ Captures many features of term structure, volatility, and risk premia dynamics.





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