

Credit Risk in Lévy Libor Modeling: Rating Based Approach

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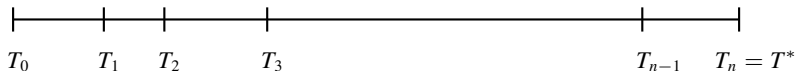
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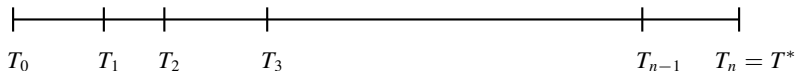
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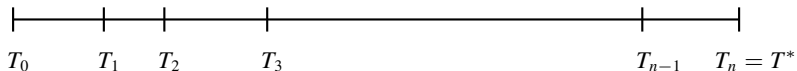
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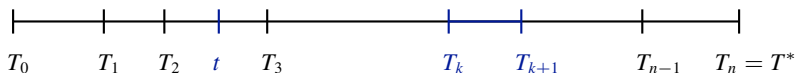
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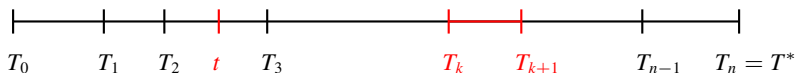
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- **Credit migration** is modeled by a **conditional Markov chain** C with state space \mathcal{K} , where K is the absorbing state
- **Default time** τ : the first time when C reaches state K , i.e.

$$\tau = \inf\{t > 0 : C_t = K\}$$

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We have $B_i(T_k, T_k) = 1$, for all i .

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where λ_{ij} are nonnegative processes, integrable on every $[0, t]$ and $\lambda_{ii}(t) = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{K} \setminus \{i\}} \lambda_{ij}(t)$.

- Let $\mu = (\delta_{ij}, j \in \mathcal{K})$ be a probability distribution on $\bar{\Omega} = \mathcal{K}$.
- Define

$$(\tilde{\Omega}, \mathcal{G}_{T^*}, \mathbb{Q}_{T^*}) = (\Omega \times \Omega^U \times \bar{\Omega}, \mathcal{F}_{T^*} \otimes \mathcal{F}^U \otimes 2^{\bar{\Omega}}, \mathbb{P}_{T^*} \otimes \mathbb{P}^U \otimes \mu),$$

- On $(\Omega^U, \mathcal{F}^U, \mathbb{P}^U)$ a sequence $(U_{i,j}), i, j \in \mathbb{N}$, of mutually independent random variables, uniformly distributed on $[0, 1]$.

- The jump times τ_k are constructed recursively as

$$\tau_k := \tau_{k-1} + \inf \left\{ t \geq 0 : \exp \left(\int_{\tau_{k-1}}^{\tau_{k-1}+t} \lambda_{\bar{C}_{k-1}\bar{C}_{k-1}}(u) du \right) \leq U_{1,k} \right\},$$

with $\tau_0 := 0$.

- The new state at the jump time τ_k is defined as

$$\bar{C}_k := \mathbb{C}(U_{2,k}, \bar{C}_{k-1}, \tau_k),$$

with $\bar{C}_0(\omega, \omega^U, \bar{\omega}) = \bar{\omega}$ and where $\mathbb{C} : [0, 1] \times \mathcal{K} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is any mapping such that for any $i, j \in \mathcal{K}$, $i \neq j$, it holds

$$\text{Leb}(\{u \in [0, 1] : \mathbb{C}(u, i, t) = j\}) = -\frac{\lambda_{ij}(t)}{\lambda_{ii}(t)},$$

if $\lambda_{ii}(t) < 0$ and 0, if $\lambda_{ii}(t) = 0$.

- Finally, for every $t \geq 0$

$$C_t := \bar{C}_{k-1}, \quad \text{for } t \in [\tau_{k-1}, \tau_k), \quad k \geq 1.$$

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Proposition

The conditional expectations with respect to enlarged σ -algebras can be expressed in terms of \mathcal{F}_t -conditional expectations. It holds

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}} [Y | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \sigma(C_t)] = \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{1}_{\{C_t=i\}} \frac{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}} [Y \mathbf{1}_{\{C_t=i\}} | \mathcal{F}_t]}{\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}} [\mathbf{1}_{\{C_t=i\}} | \mathcal{F}_t]},$$

for any \mathcal{G} -measurable random variable Y .

Properties of C

- (a) for every $t \leq s \leq u$ and any function $h : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a stronger version of conditional Markov property holds:

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- (c) \mathbb{F} -conditional Chapman-Kolmogorov equation

$$P(t, s) = P(t, u)P(u, s),$$

where $P(t, s) = [p_{ij}(t, s)]_{i, j \in \mathcal{K}}$ and

$$p_{ij}(t, s) := \frac{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}(C_s = j, C_t = i | \mathcal{F}_s)}{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}(C_t = i | \mathcal{F}_s)}$$

- (d) \mathbb{F} -conditional forward Kolmogorov equation

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 - (1) X has **independent increments**
 - (2) the law of X_t is given by its characteristic function

$$\mathbb{E}[\exp(i\langle u, X_t \rangle)] = \exp\left(\int_0^t \theta_s(iu) ds\right) \quad \text{with}$$

$$\theta_s(iu) = i\langle u, b_s \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle u, c_s u \rangle + \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left(e^{i\langle u, x \rangle} - 1 - i\langle u, x \rangle F_s^{T^*}(dx) \right).$$

- X is a **special semimartingale** with canonical decomposition

$$X_t = \int_0^t b_s ds + \int_0^t \sqrt{c_s} dW_s^{T^*} + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x(\mu - \nu^{T^*})(ds, dx),$$

where W^{T^*} denotes a \mathbb{P}_{T^*} -standard Brownian motion and μ is the random measure of jumps of X with \mathbb{P}_{T^*} -compensator ν^{T^*} . We assume that $b = 0$.

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The drift term $b^L(s, T_k)$ is chosen such that $L(\cdot, T_k)$ becomes a $\mathbb{P}_{T_{k+1}}$ -martingale.

- This construction guarantees that the forward bond price processes

$$\left(\frac{B(t, T_j)}{B(t, T_k)} \right)_{0 \leq t \leq T_j \wedge T_k}$$

are martingales for all $j = 1, \dots, n$ under the forward measure \mathbb{P}_{T_k} associated with the date T_k ($k = 1, \dots, n$).

- The arbitrage-free price at time t of a contingent claim with payoff X at maturity T_k is given by

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To include credit migration between different rating classes:

- (4) Enlarge probability space: $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P}_{T^*}) \rightarrow (\tilde{\Omega}, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{Q}_{T^*})$ and construct the migration process C
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Idea: model $H_j(\cdot, T_k)$ as exponential semimartingales and thus ensure automatically the *monotonicity* of Libor rates w.r.t. the credit rating:

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\implies worse credit rating, higher interest rate

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Theorem

Assume that $L(\cdot, T_k)$ and $H_i(\cdot, T_k)$ are given by (1) and (2). Then:

- (a) The rating-dependent forward Libor rates satisfy for every T_k and $t \leq T_k$

$$L(t, T_k) \leq L_1(t, T_k) \leq \dots \leq L_{K-1}(t, T_k),$$

i.e. Libor rates are monotone with respect to credit ratings.

- (b) The dynamics of the Libor rate $L_i(\cdot, T_k)$ under $\mathbb{P}_{T_{k+1}}$ is given by

$$L_i(t, T_k) = L_i(0, T_k) \exp \left(\int_0^t b^{L_i}(s, T_k) ds + \int_0^t \sqrt{c_s} \sigma_i(s, T_k) dW_s^{T_{k+1}} + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} S_i(s, x, T_k) (\mu - \nu^{T_{k+1}})(ds, dx) \right),$$

where

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represents the volatility of the Brownian part and

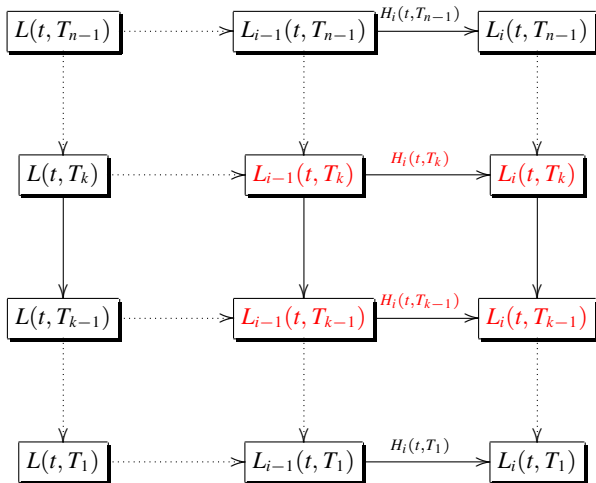
$$S_i(s, x, T_k) := \ln \left(1 + \ell_i(s-, T_k)^{-1} (\beta_i(s, x, T_k) - 1) \right)$$

controls the jump size. Here we set

$$\begin{aligned}h_i(s, T_k) &:= \frac{\delta_k H_i(s, T_k)}{1 + \delta_k H_i(s, T_k)}, \\ \ell_i(s, T_k) &:= \frac{\delta_k L_i(s, T_k)}{1 + \delta_k L_i(s, T_k)},\end{aligned}$$

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Default-free

Rating $i - 1$

Rating i

Figure: Connection between subsequent Libor rates

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Note that this specification is consistent with the definition of H_i which implies the following connection of bond prices and inter-rating spreads:

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and relation

$$\frac{B_i(t, T_k)}{B(t, T_k)} = \frac{B_1(t, T_k)}{B(t, T_k)} \prod_{j=2}^i \frac{B_j(t, T_k)}{B_{j-1}(t, T_k)}.$$

Lemma

Let T_k be a tenor date and assume that $H_j(\cdot, T_k)$ are given by (2). The process $\mathbb{H}(\cdot, T_k, i)$ has the following dynamics under \mathbb{P}^{T_k}

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where $b^{\mathbb{H}}(s, T_k, i)$ is the drift term.

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Sketch of the proof: Use the fact that the jump times of the conditional Markov chain C do not coincide with the jumps of any \mathbb{F} -adapted semimartingale, use some martingales related to the indicator processes $\mathbf{1}_{\{C_t=i\}}$, $i \in \mathcal{K}$, and stochastic calculus for semimartingales.

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and the price of the defaultable forward Libor rate cap at time $t \leq T_1$ is given as a sum

$$\mathbb{C}_t(K) = \sum_{k=1}^n \delta_{k-1} B_C(t, T_k) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_C, T_k} [(L_C(T_{k-1}, T_{k-1}) - K)^+ | \mathcal{G}_t].$$

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