

Market impact with multi-timescale liquidity

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Introduction to LLOB model

The latent volume densities of limit orders in the order book $\phi_b(x, t)$ (bid side) and $\phi_a(x, t)$ (ask side) follows

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \phi_b &= D \partial_{xx} \phi_b - \nu \phi_b + \lambda \Theta(x_t - x) - R_{ab}(x) \\ \partial_t \phi_a &= D \partial_{xx} \phi_a - \nu \phi_a + \lambda \Theta(x - x_t) - R_{ab}(x)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

The price x_t is defined as the solution of

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(x_t, t) &= \phi_b(x, t) - \phi_a(x, t) = 0 \\ \partial_t \phi &= D \partial_{xx} \phi - \nu \phi + \lambda \text{sign}(x_t - x)\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

Introduction to LLOB model

The stationary order book is given by

$$\phi^{\text{st}}(\xi) = -\frac{\lambda}{\nu} \text{sign}(\xi) \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{|\xi|}{\xi_c}\right) \right] \quad (3)$$

where $\xi_c = \sqrt{D\nu^{-1}}$ and $\xi = x - x_t$.

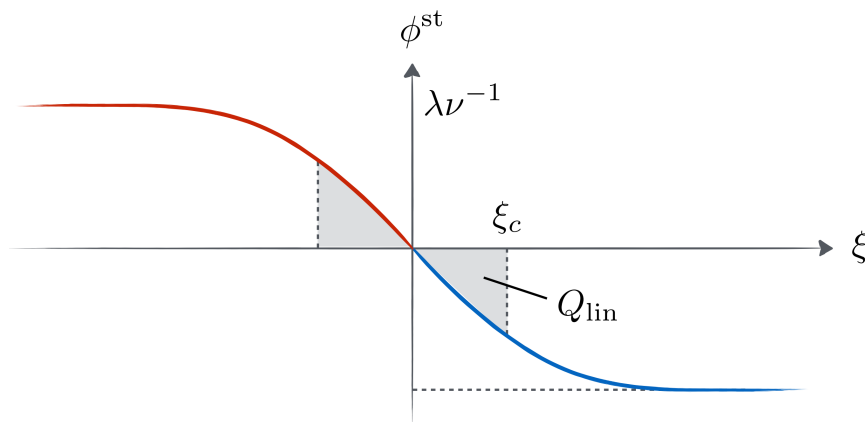


Figure 1: Stationary order book under LLOB model.

Deficiencies of LLOB model

- The original LLOB model focused on the **infinite memory** limit, namely $\nu, \lambda \rightarrow 0$ while $\mathcal{L} \sim \lambda \nu^{-1/2}$, such that the latent order book becomes exactly linear; while in reality we are facing finite memory.
- Square-root law is only recovered where the **execution rate** m_0 of the meta-order is larger than the normal execution rate J of the market itself; whereas most meta-order impact data is in the opposite limit $m_0 \lesssim 0.1J$.
- The theoretical inverse square-root impact decay is too fast and leads to significant short time **mean-reversion effects**, not observed in real prices.

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Price and impact profile under finite memory

We introduce a buy meta-order as the source of market impact with intensity rate m_t , then equation (2) becomes

$$\partial_t \phi = D \partial_{xx} \phi - \nu \phi + \lambda \text{sign}(x_t - x) + m_t \delta(x - x_t) \mathbb{1}_{[0, T]} \quad (4)$$

Focusing on constant participation rates $m_t = m_0$, we consider

- Small **participation rate** $m_0 \ll J$ *v.s.* large participation rate $m_0 \gg J$.
- Fast **execution speed** $\nu T \ll 1$ *v.s.* slow execution speed $\nu T \gg 1$.
- Small **meta-order volumes** $Q = m_0 T \ll Q_{\text{lin}}$ *v.s.* large meta-order volumes $Q = m_0 T \gg Q_{\text{lin}}$.

Price trajectories with finite cancel and deposit rates

For fast execution and small meta-order volumes, we have the price trajectory as

$$x_t = \alpha [z_t^0 + \sqrt{\nu} z_t^1 + \mathcal{O}(\nu)] \quad (5)$$

For slow execution and/or large meta-order volumes,

$$x_t = \frac{m_0 \nu}{\lambda} t \quad (6)$$

Price trajectories with finite cancel and deposit rates

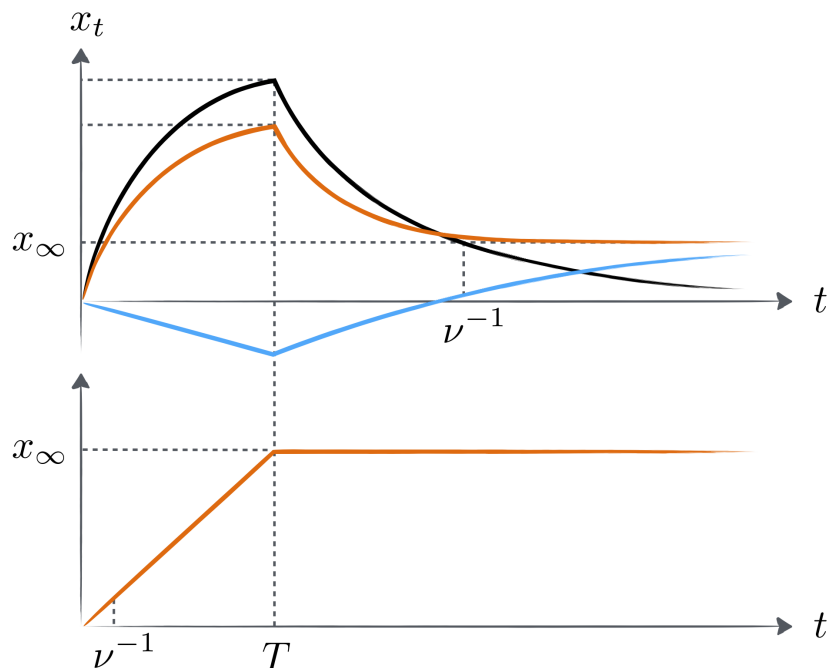


Figure 2: Top graph: Price trajectory during and after a buy meta-order execution for $\nu T \ll 1$. Bottom graph: Price trajectory for $\nu T \gg 1$.

Linear permanent impact with finite memory

We find that the permanent impact I_∞ follows

$$I_\infty = \frac{1}{2} \xi_c \frac{Q}{Q_{\text{lin}}} \quad (7)$$

The result is dictated by non-arbitrage arguments and compatible with the classical Kyle model.

The double-frequency framework

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The double-frequency framework

Consider there are two sorts of agents co-exists in the market:

- **Slow agents** with vanishing cancellation and deposition rates: $\nu_s T \rightarrow 0$, while keeping $\mathcal{L}_s := \lambda_s / \sqrt{\nu_s D}$ finite.
- **Fast agents** with large cancellation and deposition rates: $\nu_f T \gg 1$, such that $\mathcal{L}_f := \lambda_f / \sqrt{\nu_f D} \gg \mathcal{L}_s$.

LLOB model with fast and slow agents

With the conditions below,

$$\begin{aligned}m_{st} + m_{ft} &= m_0 \\ x_{st} &= x_{ft} = x_t\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

the total order book volume is given by

$$\phi^{\text{st}}(x) = \phi_s^{\text{st}}(x) + \phi_f^{\text{st}}(x)\tag{9}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_s^{\text{st}} &\approx -\mathcal{L}_s x \\ \phi_f^{\text{st}} &\approx -\frac{\lambda_f}{\nu_f} \text{sign}(x)\end{aligned}\tag{10}$$

LLOB model with fast and slow agents

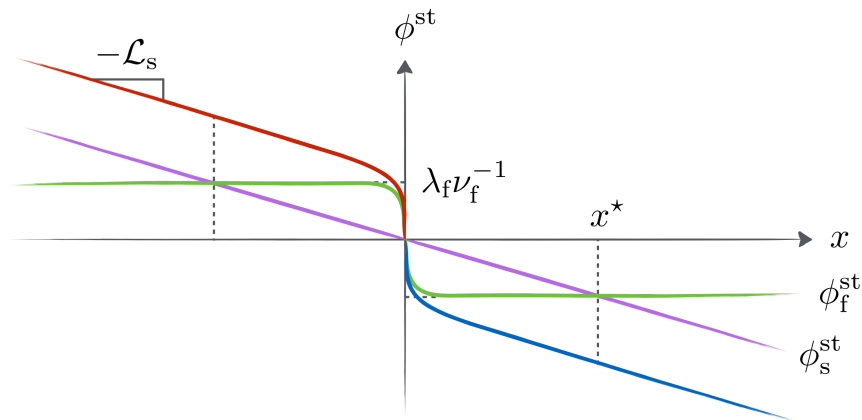


Figure 3: Stationary double-frequency order book.

From linear to square-root impact

Consider the meta-order intensity is in between of slow traders and fast traders. That is $J_s \ll m_0 \ll J_f$.

Equation (4) and equation (8) yield that

$$m_{ft} = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{t}{t^*}}}, \quad t^* := \frac{1}{2\nu_f} \frac{J_f^2}{J_s m_0} \quad (11)$$
$$m_{st} = m_0 - m_{ft}$$

From linear to square-root impact

The resulting price trajectory reads

$$x_t = \frac{\lambda_f}{\mathcal{L}_s \nu_f} \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{t}{t^*}} - 1 \right) \quad (12)$$

The most of the incoming meta-order is executed against the fast agents for $t < t^*$ but the slow agents then take over for $t > t^*$.

The market impact crosses over from a linear regime when $t \ll t^*$ to a square root regime for $t \gg t^*$.

From linear to square-root impact

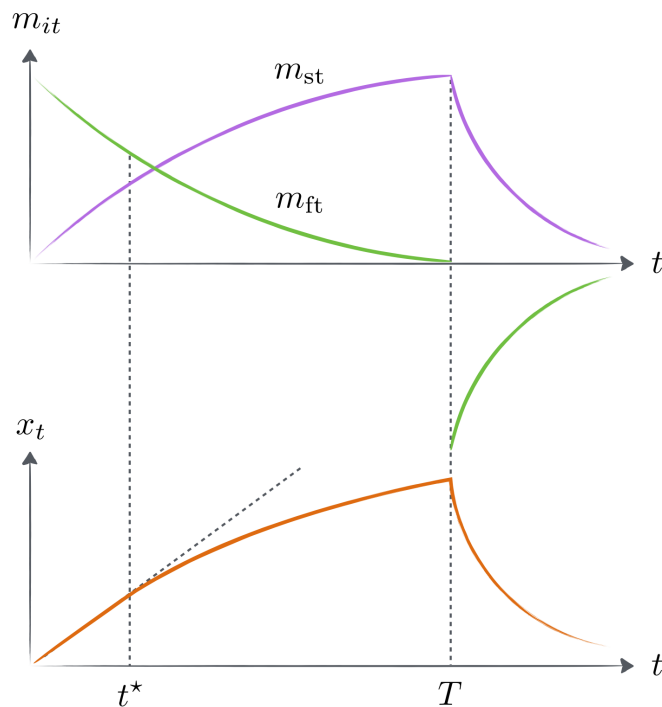


Figure 4: Execution rates m_{it} (top) and price trajectory (bottom) within the double-frequency order book model.

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The multi-frequency framework

The double-frequency framework can be extended to the more realistic case of a continuous range of cancellation and deposition rates:

$$\partial_t \phi_\nu = D \partial_{xx} \phi_\nu - \nu \phi_\nu + \lambda_\nu \text{sign}(x_{\nu t} - x) + m_{\nu t} \delta(x - x_{\nu t}) \quad (13)$$

with the following conditions,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \rho(\nu) m_{\nu t} d\nu &= m_t \\ x_{\nu t} &= x_t, \quad \forall \nu \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where $\rho(\nu)$ denotes the distribution of cancellation rates ν , and m_t denotes an arbitrary order flow .

Resolution of the "diffusivity puzzle"

With $\langle x_t^2 \rangle \propto t^{1-\gamma}$, the latent liquidity in the original LLOB case is too persistent and prevents the price from diffusing.

With the power-law distribution $\rho(\nu)$ as

$$\rho(\nu) = Z\nu^{\alpha-1}e^{-\nu t_c} \quad (15)$$

the price diffusion under multi-frequency framework is given by

$$\langle x_t^2 \rangle \propto t^{1+2\alpha-\gamma} \quad (16)$$

Meta-order impact

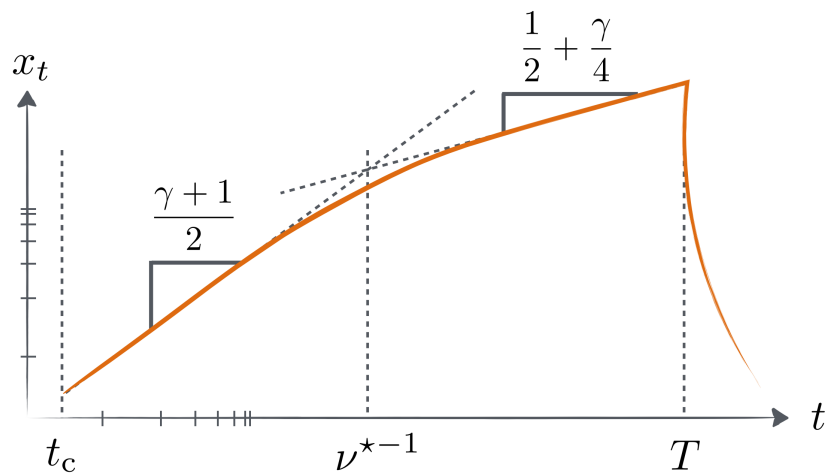


Figure 5: Price trajectory during a constant rate meta-order execution within the multi-frequency order book model. For $\gamma = 1/2$, the impact crosses over from a $t^{3/4}$ to a $t^{5/8}$ regime.

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