

# MTH 9831 Lecture 11

Note Title

1. Two words about a finite expiration American put.
2. Poisson process (see Lectur 6 of Refresher)
3. Compound Poisson process.
4. Jump processes as integrators.
5. Quadratic and cross variation of jump processes.
6. Ito-Doebelin formula for jump processes ( $d=1$ )

Return for a moment to the perpetual American put option. Its price,  $v(x)$  when  $S(0)=x$ , does not depend on time and the optimal exercise time is  $\tau_{L_x}$ , where  $L_x$  is an explicitly given level, that depends only on  $K$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $r$ .

$$C = \{ (t, x) : t \geq 0, x \geq 0, v(x) > (K-x)_+ \}$$

$$r v(x) - r x v'(x) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 v''(x) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$S = \{ (t, x) : t \geq 0, x \geq 0, v(x) = (K-x)_+ \}$$

$$r v(x) - r x v'(x) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 v''(x) = r K \quad (2)$$

$S$  - stopping set ;  $C$  - continuation set  
 The inclusion of the time variable in the description of  $S$  &  $C$  is superficial, as everything is determined by the value of  $x$ .  
 But for the finite expiration American

put option the price,  $v(t, x)$ , and both,  $S$  &  $C$ , will depend on  $t$ . The equations (1) & (2) will be replaced by parabolic equations, and  $L_x$  will depend on the time to expiration.

- ①. Consider an American put with strike  $K$  and expiration  $T$ . Assume BSM model.

Def. 1. Let  $t \in [0, T]$  and  $x \geq 0$  be given and  $S(t) = x$ . For each  $u \in [t, T]$  denote by  $\mathcal{F}_u^{(t)}$  the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the price process  $(S(r))_{t \leq r \leq u}$  and let  $\mathcal{T}_{t, T}$  be the set of all stopping times for the filtration  $\{\mathcal{F}_u^{(t)}\}_{t \leq u \leq T}$  taking values in  $[t, T] \cup \{\infty\}$ .

The price at time  $t$  of the American put option with strike  $K$  and expiration  $T$  is defined to be

$$(*) \quad v(t, x) = \max_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}_{t, T}} \mathbb{E}_{t, x}^{\sim} \left[ e^{-r(\tau-t)} (K - S(\tau)) 1_{\{\tau < \infty\}} \right]$$

- a) Analytical characterization of  $v(t, x)$ ; no proofs will be given.

It is not difficult to believe that (by the analogy with the perpetual american put) the following statement holds.

Theorem 1. Let  $v(t, x)$  be the time  $t$  price of the American put with strike  $K$  and expiration  $T$ . Then  $v(t, x)$  satisfies the linear complementarity conditions

$$\blacktriangleright v(t, x) \geq (K - x)_+, \quad t \in [0, T], x \geq 0; \quad (3)$$

$$\blacktriangleright r v(t, x) - v_t(t, x) - r x v_x(t, x) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 x^2 v_{xx}(t, x) \geq 0, \\ t \in [0, T), x \geq 0; \quad (4)$$

$$\blacktriangleright \text{for each } t \in [0, T) \text{ and } x \geq 0, \text{ equality} \quad (5) \\ \text{holds in either (3) or (4).}$$

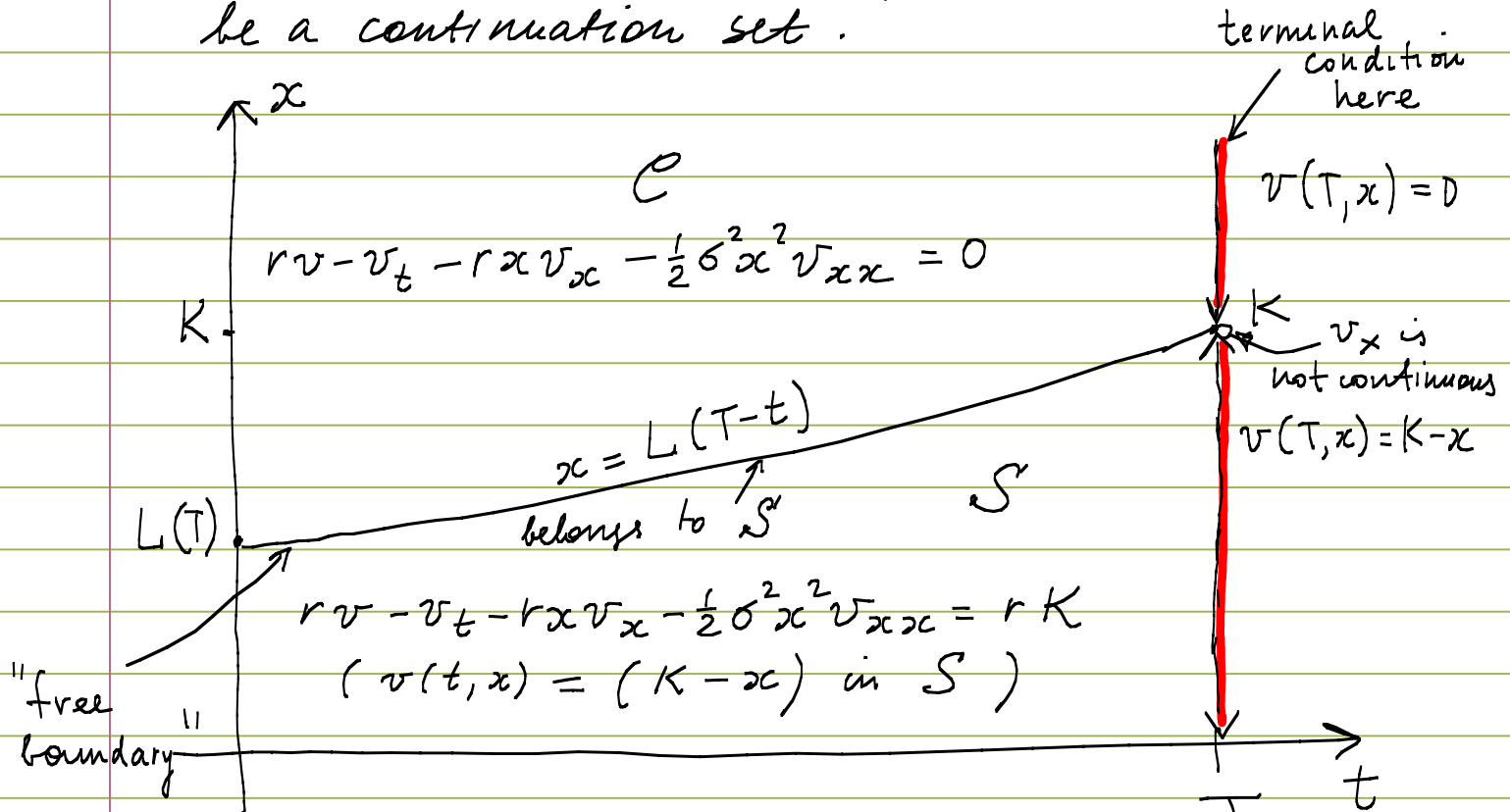
The idea is that the holder of the put has to wait until the stock price falls to a certain level below  $K$ . This level,  $L$ , will now depend on the time left to expiration, i.e.  $L = L(T - t)$ . Clearly,  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} L(T) = L_\infty$  and  $L(0) = K$ .

It is also plausible that  $L(T - t)$  should be non-decreasing in  $t$ : the less time is left the higher is the level at which the owner should be willing to exercise. No formula for  $L(T - t)$  is known.

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Let  $S = \{ (t, x) : t \in [0, T], x \geq 0, v(t, x) = (K - x)_+ \}$   
be a stopping set and

$C = \{ (t, x) : t \in [0, T], x \geq 0, v(t, x) > (K - x)_+ \}$   
be a continuation set.



Smooth pasting:

$$(6) \quad v(t, L(T-t) +) = v(t, L(T-t) -)$$

( $v$  is continuous across  $x = L(T-t)$ )

$$(7) \quad v_x(t, L(T-t) +) = v_x(t, L(T-t) -) = -1$$

( $v_x$  is continuous across  $x = L(T-t)$   
for  $0 \leq t < T$ )

( $v_t$  and  $v_{xx}$  are not continuous across the free boundary.)

Theorem 2. There is a unique bounded function  $v(t, x)$  on  $t \in [0, T], x \geq 0$ , and a curve  $x = L(T-t), t \in [0, T]$ , that satisfy:

$$rv - v_t - rxv_x - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 x^2 v_{xx} = 0, \quad x > L(T-t)$$

$$v(t, x) = (K - x), \quad x \in [0, L(T-t)],$$

(6), (7), the terminal condition  $L(0) = K$  and  $v(T, x) = (K - x)_+$ , and the asymptotic condition

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} v(t, x) = 0.$$

(b) Probabilistic characterization of  $v(t, x)$ .

Theorem 3. Let  $(S(u))_{t \leq u \leq T}$  be the stock price process starting at  $S(t) = x$  with the stopping set

$$S := \{ (t, x) : t \in [0, T], x \geq 0, v(t, x) = (K - x)_+ \}.$$

Let

$$\tau_* = \min \{ u \in [t, T] : (u, S(u)) \in S \},$$

where  $\tau_* := \infty$  if  $(u, S(u))$  does not enter  $S$  for any  $u \in [t, T]$ . Then

$(e^{-ru} v(u, S(u)))_{t \leq u \leq T}$  is a supermartingale

under  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$  relative to  $(\mathcal{F}_u^{(t)})_{t \leq u \leq T}$  and the

stopped process  $(e^{-r(u \wedge \tau_*)} v(u \wedge \tau_*, S(u \wedge \tau_*)))_{t \leq u \leq T}$

is a martingale.

② Poisson process (review refresher Lecture 6 or textbook Section 11.2).

### ③ Compound Poisson process.

Def. 2. Let  $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a Poisson process and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$  be i.i.d. random variables independent of  $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$ . The compound Poisson process

$$Q(t) = 0 \quad \text{if } N(t) = 0, \quad Q(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Y_i \quad \text{if } N(t) \geq 1.$$

This process also has stationary and independent increments, but the distribution of  $Q(t+s) - Q(t)$  is not Poisson, it depends on the distribution of  $Y_1$ . The following theorem generalizes Lemma 1.5 (refresher Lecture 6) to compound Poisson processes.

Theorem 4 Let  $Q(t)$  be a compound Poisson process. Set  $\beta := E Y_1$ ;  $\sigma^2 := \text{Var } Y_1$ ,  $M_Y(u) = E(e^{u Y_1})$ . Then

- (i)  $E(Q(t)) = \beta \lambda t$ ;
- (ii)  $\text{Var}(Q(t)) = (\sigma^2 + \beta^2) \lambda t = (E Y_1)^2 \lambda t$ .
- (iii)  $M_{Q(t)}(u) = \exp(\lambda t (M_Y(u) - 1))$

(iv) The compensated compound Poisson process  $Q(t) - \beta \lambda t$  is a martingale (w.r.t. its natural filtration).

Proof is left as an exercise.

Theorems 1.9 and 1.10 from refresher Lecture 6 have the following generalizations.

Theorem 5 Let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_M \in \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$  and  $p_1, \dots, p_M \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^M p_i = 1$ . Let  $\lambda > 0$  be given and

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$N_1(t), \dots, N_M(t)$  be independent Poisson processes with intensities  $\lambda p_1, \dots, \lambda p_M$  respectively.

Then  $Q(t) := \sum_{m=1}^M y_m N_m(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , is a compound

Poisson process whose jump size distribution is given by  $P(Y_i = y_i) = p_i$  and the times of jumps coincide with those of  $N(t) := \sum_{m=1}^M N_m(t)$ .

In other words, the process  $Q$  has the same law as  $\bar{Q}(t) := \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \bar{Y}_i$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , where

$\bar{Y}_1, \bar{Y}_2, \dots$  are i.i.d. and  $P(\bar{Y}_i = y_m) = p_m$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$ .

For proof see Shreve II, Th. 11.3.3.

Theorem 6. Let  $y_1, \dots, y_M \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $p_1, \dots, p_M \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^M p_i = 1$ . Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$  be i.i.d.  $P(Y_i = y_m) = p_m$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$ . Let  $N(t)$  be a Poisson process with intensity  $\lambda$  and

$$Q(t) := \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Y_i, \quad t \geq 0.$$

For  $m = 1, 2, \dots, M$  let  $N_m(t)$  denote the number of jumps of  $Q$  of size  $y_m$  up to time  $t$  inclusively.

Then

$$N(t) = \sum_{m=1}^M N_m(t); \quad Q(t) = \sum_{m=1}^M y_m N_m(t)$$

Moreover, the processes  $N_1, \dots, N_M$  are independent Poisson processes with intensities  $\lambda p_1, \dots, \lambda p_M$  respectively.

See Shreve II, Corollary 11.3.4.

#### ④ Jump processes as integrators

Def. 3. Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space and let  $\mathcal{F}(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , be a filtration on it. We say that

- (i)  $B$  is a BM relative to  $\{\mathcal{F}(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  if  $B(t)$  is  $\mathcal{F}(t)$ -measurable  $\forall t \geq 0$  and for  $0 \leq s < t$   $B(t) - B(s)$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}(s)$ .
- (i)  $N$  is a Poisson process relative to  $\{\mathcal{F}(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  if  $N(t)$  is  $\mathcal{F}(t)$ -measurable  $\forall t \geq 0$  and for  $0 \leq s < t$   $N(t) - N(s)$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}(s)$ .
- (ii)  $Q$  is a compound Poisson process relative to  $\{\mathcal{F}(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  if  $Q(t)$  is  $\mathcal{F}(t)$ -measurable  $\forall t \geq 0$  and for  $0 \leq s < t$   $Q(t) - Q(s)$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}(s)$ .

Def. 4 Jump process with starting point  $X(0)$  is

$$X(t) = X(0) + I(t) + R(t) + J(t), \text{ where}$$

$X(0)$  is a constant;  $I$  is an Ito integral  $I(t) = \int_0^t \Gamma(s) dB(s)$ ,  $\Gamma(\cdot)$  is adapted to  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$ .

$R$  is a Riemann integral  $R(t) = \int_0^t \Theta(s) ds$ ,  $\Theta(\cdot)$  is adapted to  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$ , and

$J$  is a right continuous pure jump process with  $J(0) = 0$ . In particular,  $J(t) = \sum_{s \leq t} J(s)$ ,  $J(t-) = \lim_{s \uparrow t} J(s)$ ,  $\Delta J(t) = J(t) - J(t-)$  - jump size at time  $t$ .



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We assume that there is no jump at time 0,  
 that in any finite time interval  $[0, T]$  there are only finitely many jumps, and  
 that the process is constant between jumps.

$X^c(t) := X(0) + I(t) + R(t)$  is called a continuous part of  $X(t)$ . It is just an Ito process.

$J(t)$  is a pure jump part of  $X(t)$

$$\Delta X(t) = X(t) - X(t-) = J(t) - J(t-) = \Delta J(t).$$

$(X(0-) := X(0))$ ;  $\Delta X(t) = 0$  when there is no jump at time  $t$ .

Def. 5 Let  $X$  be a jump process and  $\Phi$  be process adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}(t))_{t \geq 0}$ . Then

$$\int_0^t \Phi(s) dX(s) := \int_0^t \Phi(s) \Gamma(s) dB(s) + \int_0^t \Phi(s) \Theta(s) ds + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \Phi(s) \Delta J(s), \text{ or in differential notation}$$

$$\Phi(t) dX(t) = \underbrace{\Phi(t) \Gamma(t) dB(t) + \Phi(t) \Theta(t) dt}_{\Phi(t) dX^c(t)} + \Phi(t) dJ(t)$$

Example 1 Let  $\Phi(t) = \Delta N(t)$ ;  $X(t) = N(t) - \lambda t$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \Phi(s) dX(s) &= -\lambda \int_0^t \Delta N(s) ds + \int_0^t \Delta N(s) dN(s) \\ &= 0 + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} (\Delta N(s))^2 = N(t). \end{aligned}$$

The integrator  $X(t)$  is a martingale but the integral is not a martingale!

Theorem 7. Assume that  $X(t)$  is a martingale and  $\Phi(t)$  is left-continuous and adapted, and

$$E \int_0^t \Phi^2(s) ds < \infty \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Then  $\int_0^t \Phi(s) dX(s)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , is a martingale w.r.t.  $\{\mathcal{F}(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ .

Remark: left-continuity is not really needed, but it is easy to check. Left-continuity can be replaced by predictability:  $\Phi(t)$  is  $\mathcal{F}(t-)$ -measurable, where  $\mathcal{F}(t-)$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\bigcup_{s < t} \mathcal{F}(s)$  (the union of  $\sigma$ -algebras is not a  $\sigma$ -algebra, in general).

⑤ Quadratic and cross variation of jump processes. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be jump processes and  $\Pi$  be a finite partition of  $[0, t]$ :

$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = t$ . Define

$$Q_\Pi(X) := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (X(t_{i+1}) - X(t_i))^2$$

$$C_\Pi(X, Y) := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (X(t_{i+1}) - X(t_i))(Y(t_{i+1}) - Y(t_i))$$

If these quantities have an  $L^2$ -limit for all  $t \geq 0$  as  $\|\Pi\| \rightarrow 0$  then the limiting processes are denoted  $[X, X](t)$  and  $[X, Y](t)$  respectively and called the quadratic variation of  $X$  and cross variation of  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $[0, t]$  (respectively).

We state without a proof the following fact.

Theorem 8. Let  $X_i(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ ,  $i=1, 2$ , be jump processes as defined above. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
[X_i, X_j](t) &= [X_i^c, X_j^c](t) + [J_i, J_j](t) \\
&= \int_0^t \Gamma_i(s) \Gamma_j(s) ds + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \Delta J_i(s) \Delta J_j(s) \\
&\quad (i, j = 1, 2)
\end{aligned}$$

The important new developments :

- the quadratic variation of a pure jump process on  $[0, t]$  is the sum of the squares of jumps up to time  $t$  inclusively)
- the cross-variation of a continuous process  $X_i^c$  and a pure jump process  $J_j$  (subject to all conditions we imposed on it) is zero ( $i, j = 1, 2$ ).

Corollary 1. Let  $X$  be a jump process and  $\Phi$  be an adapted process such that all integrals below are well-defined.

Set  $Y(t) = \int_0^t \Phi(s) dX(s) + Y(0)$ , where  $Y(0)$  is a constant

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Then } [Y, Y](t) &= \int_0^t \Phi^2(s) d[X, X](s) \\
&= \int_0^t \Phi^2(s) \Gamma^2(s) ds + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \Phi^2(s) (\Delta J(s))^2
\end{aligned}$$

⑥ Ito-Doeblin formula for jump processes.

Theorem 9. Let  $X(t)$  be a jump process and  $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
f(X(t)) &= f(X(0)) + \int_0^t f'(X(s)) dX^c(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f''(X(s)) d[X^c, X^c](s) \\
&\quad + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} (f(X(s)) - f(X(s-)))
\end{aligned}$$

Read the proof of Theorem 11.5.1 in Shreve II

Remark.  $\int_0^t f'(X(s)) dX^c(s)$  can be replaced with  $\int_0^t f(X(s-)) dX^c(s)$ ;  
 $\int_0^t f''(X(s)) d[X^c, X^c](s)$  with  $\int_0^t f''(X(s-)) d[X^c, X^c](s)$ .

Example 2. (Geometric Poisson process)

$$S(t) = S(0) e^{-\lambda \sigma t} (1 + \sigma)^{N(t)}, \quad t \geq 0$$

where  $\sigma > -1$  is a constant.

If  $\sigma > 0$  then the process jumps up and moves down between the jumps; if  $\sigma \in (-1, 0)$

the the process jumps down and moves up between the jumps; if  $\sigma = 0$  then  $S(t) \equiv S(0)$ .

Geometric Poisson process is a martingale.

It satisfies  $dS(t) = \sigma S(t-) dM(t)$ , where

$$M(t) = N(t) - \lambda t.$$

$$S(t) = S(0) f(X(t)), \text{ where } f(x) = e^x, f'(x) = f(x)$$

$$X(t) = -\lambda \sigma t + N(t) \ln(1 + \sigma) \quad (\text{no Ito part!})$$

$$dX(t) = -\lambda \sigma dt + \ln(1 + \sigma) dN(t).$$

$$S(t) = S(0) - \lambda \sigma \int_0^t S(u) du + \sum_{0 < u \leq t} (S(u) - S(u-))$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(u) - S(u-) &= S(0) e^{-\lambda \sigma u} \left( (1 + \sigma)^{N(u)} - (1 + \sigma)^{N(u-)} \right) \\ &= S(0) e^{-\lambda \sigma u} (1 + \sigma)^{N(u-)} \left( (1 + \sigma)^{N(u) - N(u-)} - 1 \right) \\ &= S(u-) \sigma (N(u) - N(u-)) = S(u-) \sigma \Delta N(u) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{0 < u \leq t} (S(u) - S(u-)) = \sigma \sum_{0 < u \leq t} S(u-) \Delta N(u) = \sigma \int_0^t S(u-) dN(u).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(t) &= S(0) - \lambda \sigma \int_0^t S(u-) du + \sigma \int_0^t S(u-) dN(u) \\
 &= S(0) + \sigma \int_0^t S(u-) dM(u), \text{ or}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$dS(t) = \sigma S(t-) dM(t), \quad M(t) = N(t) - \lambda t.$$

Example 3. (Doléans-Dade exponential)

Let  $X(t)$  be a jump process. The Doléans-Dade exponential of  $X(t)$  is

$$Z(t) := e^{X^c(t) - \frac{1}{2}[X^c, X^c](t)} \prod_{0 < s \leq t} (1 + \Delta X(s)) \quad (8)$$

This is a generalization of a previous example :

$$X(t) = \sigma M(t) = -\sigma \lambda t + \sigma N(t) = X^c(t) + J(t)$$

$$(1 + \Delta X(s)) = (1 + \Delta J(s)) = (1 + \sigma \Delta N(s))$$

$$\prod_{0 < s \leq t} (1 + \Delta X(s)) = \prod_{0 < s \leq t} (1 + \sigma \Delta N(s)) = (1 + \sigma)^{N(t)}$$

$$\frac{S(t)}{S(0)} = e^{-\lambda \sigma t} (1 + \sigma)^{N(t)}$$

$Z(t)$  solves :

$$\begin{aligned}
 dZ(t) &= {}_t Z(t-) dX(t). \quad (9) \\
 Z(t) &= Z(0) + \underbrace{\int_0^t Z(s-) dX^c(s)}_{Z^c(t)} + \underbrace{\sum_{0 < s \leq t} Z(s-) \Delta X(s)}_{J_Z(t)}
 \end{aligned}$$

We shall show that if  $Z$  satisfies (9) then it is given by (8).

$$\log Z(t) = \log Z(0) + \int_0^t \frac{1}{Z(s-)} dZ^c(s) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \frac{1}{Z^2(s-)} d[Z^c, Z^c](s)$$

$$+ \sum_{0 < s \leq t} (\log Z(s) - \log Z(s-)) = \log Z(0) + \int_0^t dX^c(s)$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t d[X^c, X^c](s) + \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \log(1 + \Delta X(s))$$

since  $\log Z(s) - \log Z(s-) = \log \frac{Z(s)}{Z(s-)} = \log(1 + \Delta X(s))$

Thus  $\log Z(t) = \log Z(0) + X^c(t) - \frac{1}{2} [X^c, X^c](t)$

$$+ \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \log(1 + \Delta X(s)), \text{ i.e.}$$

$$Z(t) = Z(0) e^{X^c(t) - \frac{1}{2} [X^c, X^c](t)} \prod_{0 < s \leq t} (1 + \Delta X(s)).$$

If  $X(t)$  is a martingale then by theorem 7

$$Z(t) = Z(0) + \int_0^t Z(s-) dX(s)$$

is also a martingale since the integrand is left-continuous.

Example 4. (Merton's jump diffusion model)

Let  $X(t) = \mu t + \sigma B(t) + Q(t)$ , where

$Q(t)$  is a compound Poisson process

$$Q(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Y_i. \text{ The stock price dynamics}$$

$$\text{is } S(t) = S(0) + \int_0^t S(u) dX^c(u) + \sum_{0 < u \leq t} S(u-) \Delta X(u).$$