

Jump Modelling

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1 Poisson Processes

1.1 Definition

A process, N_t , is called a Poisson process with intensity λ if (under probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$)

- $N_0 = 0$ almost surely.
- **Stationary Increment.** $N_{t+s} - N_s \sim H(t)$ for some distribution H .
- **Independent Increment.** $N_s - N_t \perp N_u - N_v$ if $(t, s) \cap (v, u) = \emptyset$.
- $N_t \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda t)$ i.e. $\mathbb{P}(N_t = n) = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!}$
- **Stochastic Continuity.** $\lim_{s \downarrow t} \mathbb{P}(N_s - N_t \geq \epsilon) = 0, \forall t, \epsilon > 0$.
This can be interpreted as jumps do not happen at pre-determined time.
- **R.C.L.L.** Right Continuous with Left Limit
i.e. $\lim_{t \downarrow s} N_t = N_s$

1.2 Moment Generating Function

Denote the m.g.f. by

$$g_t(a) = \mathbb{E}[e^{aN_t}],$$

note that $g_t(a)$ has to satisfy the property $g_t(a) = g_{t-s}(a)g_s(a)$ by stationary independent increment. Therefore, $g_t(a)$ has to follow the form $e^{\psi(a, \lambda)t}$.

Note that for random variable X that follows Poisson distribution with mean λt , the m.g.f. can be calculated from

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{aX}] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{ka} \frac{(\lambda t)^k e^{-\lambda t}}{k!} = e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(e^a \lambda t)^k}{k!} = e^{-\lambda t} e^{e^a \lambda t} = \exp\{(e^a - 1)\lambda t\}$$

Since $X \stackrel{d}{=} N_t$, $g_t(a) = e^{(e^a - 1)\lambda t}$.

Exercise: Show that $M_t = e^{aN_t - (e^a - 1)\lambda t}$ is a martingale.

$$\mathbb{E}_t[M_{t+s}] = e^{aN_t - (e^a - 1)\lambda t} \mathbb{E}[e^{aN_s - (e^a - 1)\lambda s}] = M_t \mathbb{E}[e^{aN_t}] e^{-a(e^a - 1)s} = M_t$$

1.3 Measure Change

N_t is a \mathbb{P} Poisson process with intensity λ . To make measure change from \mathbb{P} to \mathbb{P}^* , introduce quantity

$$\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} = e^{bN_T - (e^b - 1)\lambda T}$$

We first show that $\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}}$ is a valid Radon-Nikodym derivative, and then we will show how the value of b is related to \mathbb{P}^* .

To show that $\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}}$ is a R.N.D., we note that

i) $\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} \geq 0$ a.s. In fact, $\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} > 0$ a.s. i.e., \mathbb{P}^* is equivalent to \mathbb{P} .

ii) $\mathbb{E}_t \left[\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} \right] = e^{bN_t - (e^b - 1)\lambda t}$ is a \mathbb{P} Doob-martingale with $\mathbb{E}_0 \left[\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} \right] = 1$, so $\frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}}$ is a valid Radon-Nikodym

derivative.

To compute the distribution of N_t under \mathbb{P}^* , we compute the m.g.f. under \mathbb{P}^*

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}^*} [e^{aN_t}] &= \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{aN_t} \frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} \right] = \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\mathbb{E}_t^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{aN_t} \frac{d\mathbb{P}^*}{d\mathbb{P}} \right] \right] = \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{aN_t} e^{bN_t - (e^b - 1)\lambda t} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[e^{(a+b)N_t - (e^{a+b} - 1)\lambda t} \right] e^{(e^{a+b} - 1)\lambda t} e^{-(e^b - 1)\lambda t} \\ &= e^{(e^a - 1)e^b \lambda t}\end{aligned}$$

Note that this follows exactly the form of the M.G.F. with intensity $e^b \lambda$, so N_t is a \mathbb{P}^* Poisson process with intensity $\lambda^* = e^b \lambda$.

1.4 Ito's Lemma with Jump Processes

For \mathbb{P} Poisson process N_t with intensity λ , let

$$X_t \equiv g(N_t) - g(N_0),$$

then for any partition Π of $[0, t]$, $\Pi = \{t_0, t_1, \dots, t_m\}$, where $t_0 = 0$ and $t_m = t$, we can use telescoping sum to get

$$X_t = \sum_k g(N_{t_k}) - g(N_{t_{k-1}})$$

If we take the limit as $\|\Pi\| \downarrow 0$,

$$X_t = \lim_{\|\Pi\| \downarrow 0} \sum_k g(N_{t_k}) - g(N_{t_{k-1}}) = \int_0^t \underbrace{(g(N_{u-} + 1) - g(N_{u-}))}_{\text{L.C.R.L}} \underbrace{dN_u}_{\text{R.C.L.L}}$$

Therefore,

$$dX_t = (g(N_{t-} + 1) - g(N_{t-}))dN_t$$

Now, suppose $X_t = g(t, N_t)$, we can argue similarly that

$$dX_t = \partial_t g(t, N_{t-})dt + (g(t, N_{t-} + 1) - g(t, N_{t-}))dN_t$$

Ito's Lemma

Suppose

$$\begin{aligned}dY_t &= \mu(t, Y_{t-})dt + \sigma(t, Y_{t-})dN_t \\ X_t &= g(t, Y_t)\end{aligned}$$

then,

$$dX_t = \partial_t g(t, Y_{t-})dt + \mu(t, Y_{t-})\partial_y g(t, Y_{t-})dt + [g(t, Y_{t-} + \sigma(t, Y_{t-})) - g(t, Y_{t-})]dN_t$$

Now, suppose the price of underlying asset can be modelled through Geometric Poisson process

$$dS_t = S_{t-}(\mu dt + \sigma dN_t)$$

To solve the SDE, we make usual transformation of $X_t = \log(S_t)$, by Ito's lemma above, we have

$$\begin{aligned}dX_t &= \mu S_{t-} \cdot \frac{1}{S_t} dt + (\log(S_{t-} + S_{t-}\sigma) - \log(S_{t-}))dN_t \\ &= \mu dt + \log(1 + \sigma)dN_t\end{aligned}$$

Then, $X_t - X_0 = \mu t + \log(1 + \sigma)N_t$, so

$$S_t = S_0 e^{\mu t} (1 + \sigma)^{N_t}.$$

Note that the expected return of S_t under \mathbb{P} is

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\frac{S_t}{S_0} \right] = e^{\mu t} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} [(1 + \sigma)^{N_t}] = e^{\mu t} e^{(e^{\log(1+\sigma)} - 1)\lambda t} = e^{(\mu + \sigma \lambda)t}$$

i.e., the jump term has contribution $\sigma \lambda$ for the expected return of S_t .

1.5 Dynamic Hedging Argument with Jump Process

Suppose we have the underlying asset S_t and money market M_t modeled through the following SDEs

$$\begin{aligned} dS_t &= S_{t-}(\mu dt + \sigma dN_t) \\ dM_t &= rM_t dt \end{aligned}$$

Then suppose we have a derivative valued $(g_t)_{t \geq 0}$ written on S_t with maturity T with final payoff structure $g_T = G(S_T)$. Note that the value of the derivative security g_t is Markov in t and S_t , so we write $g_t = g(t, S_t)$. We are interested in finding the price g_t , in terms of the function g .

Suppose we have a portfolio consisting of $(\alpha_t, \beta_t, -1)$ in S_t , M_t , and g_t

$$V_t = \alpha_t S_t + \beta_t M_t - g_t$$

with $V_0 = 0$. By self-financing constraint,

$$dV_t = \alpha_{t-} dS_t + \beta_{t-} dM_t - dg_t$$

By Ito's lemma and by definition,

$$\begin{aligned} dV_t &= \alpha_{t-} S_{t-}(\mu dt + \sigma dN_t) + \beta_{t-} r M_t dt - \{[\partial_t g(t, S_t) + \mu S_t \partial_s g(t, S_{t-})]dt + [g(t, S_{t-} + \sigma S_{t-}) - g(t, S_{t-})]dN_t\} \\ &= [\alpha_{t-} S_{t-} \mu + \beta_{t-} r M_t - \partial_t g - \mu S_{t-} \partial_s g]dt + [\alpha_{t-} S_{t-} \sigma - g(t, S_{t-} + \sigma S_{t-}) + g(t, S_{t-})]dN_t \end{aligned}$$

To remove local risk, set the risk dN_t term to 0,

$$\alpha_{t-} S_{t-} \sigma - g(t, S_{t-} + \sigma S_{t-}) + g(t, S_{t-}) = 0 \implies \alpha_{t-} = \frac{g(t, (1 + \sigma) S_{t-}) - g(t, S_{t-})}{\sigma S_{t-}}$$

Since $V_0 = 0$, a drift with non-zero value at any time will result in arbitrage. So we need to set the drift term equal to 0 as well. i.e.,

$$\alpha_{t-} S_{t-} \mu + \beta_{t-} r M_t - \partial_t g - \mu S_{t-} \partial_s g = 0$$

Since both drift and risk are adjusted to 0, we have $V_t = 0$ for all t , thus it is required that

$$\beta_t M_t = g_t - \alpha_t S_t$$

Substituting into previous result to get the final PIDE representation of the derivative price function

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{t-} S_{t-}(\mu - r) + r g_t - \partial_t g - \mu S_{t-} \partial_s g &= 0 \\ \implies \partial_t g(t, s) + \mu s \partial_s g(t, s) + \frac{r - \mu}{\sigma} [g(t, (1 + \sigma)s) - g(t, s)] &= r g(t, s) \end{aligned}$$