

AMATH 562 Assignment 10

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Exercise 10.1

Let $P = (P_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Poisson process with intensity λ .

- (a) What is the Lévy Measure ν of P .
- (b) Let $dX_t = dP_t$. Define $u(x, t) := \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_T) | X_t = x]$. Find $u(t, x)$ and verify it solves the Kolmogorov Backward equation.

Solution

- (a) We have,

$$\nu(U) = \mathbb{E}[N(1, U)] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{0 \leq s \leq 1} \mathbb{1}_{\Delta P_s \in U}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{P_1} \mathbb{1}_{1 \in U}\right] = \mathbb{E}[P_1] \mathbb{1}_{1 \in U} = \lambda \mathbb{1}_{1 \in U}$$

- (b) Integrating $dX_t = dP_t$ from 0 to t gives, $X_t - X_0 = P_t - P_0$. Since $P_0 = 0$ we have,

$$X_t = X_0 + P_t$$

First observe,

$$\mathbb{P}(X_T = k | X_t = x) = \mathbb{P}(X_0 + P_T = k | X_0 + P_t = x) = \mathbb{P}(P_T = k - X_0 | P_t = x - X_0)$$

Since P has independent increments, and since P is Markov,

$$\mathbb{P}(P_T = k - X_0 | P_t = x - X_0) = \mathbb{P}(P_{T-t} = k - x) = \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{k-x}}{(k-x)!} e^{-\lambda(T-t)}$$

Thus,

$$u(t, x) = \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_T) | X_t = x] = \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \varphi(k) \mathbb{P}(X_T = k | X_t = x) = \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \varphi(k) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{k-x}}{(k-x)!} e^{-\lambda(T-t)}$$

Reindexing with $n = k - x$,

$$u(t, x) = e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{k=x}^{\infty} \varphi(k) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{k-x}}{(k-x)!} = e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!}$$

We now compute the generator $\mathcal{A}(t)$ for P . By definition,

$$\mathcal{A}(t)\varphi(x) = \lim_{s \rightarrow t^+} \frac{1}{s-t} [\mathcal{P}(t, s)\varphi(x) - \varphi(x)] = \lim_{s \rightarrow t^+} \frac{1}{s-t} [\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_s) | X_t = x] - \varphi(x)]$$

In a small interval dt the probability $X_{t+dt} = X_t + 1$ is λdt and probability $X_{t+dt} = X_t$ is $(1-\lambda)dt$. Therefore,

$$\mathcal{A}(t)\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{dt} [\varphi(x+1)\lambda + \varphi(x)(1-\lambda) - \varphi(x)] = \lambda(\varphi(x+1) - \varphi(x))$$

Since the t -derivative of the $n = 0$ term is zero,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \partial_t \left[\frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} \right] &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \partial_t \left[\frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) (n) (-\lambda) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{n-1}}{n!} \\ &= -\lambda \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \end{aligned}$$

Observe, by the chain rule and assuming we can bring a derivative through a sum,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u(t, x) &= \left[\partial_t e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \right] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} + e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \partial_t \left[\frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} \right] \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} - \lambda e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi(n+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} - \lambda e^{-\lambda(T-t)} \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} \varphi(m+1+x) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^m}{m!} \\ &= \lambda(u(t, x) - u(t, x+1)) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the KBE is satisfied as

$$[\partial_t + \mathcal{A}]u(t, x) = \lambda(u(t, x) - u(t, x+1)) - \lambda(u(t, x+1) - u(t, x)) = 0, \quad u(T, x) = \varphi(x)$$

Exercise 10.2

Solution

Exercise 10.3

Let $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a process defined by,

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t &= \mu_t X_t dt + \sigma_t X_t dW_t + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1 \right) X_{t-} \tilde{N}(dt, dz) \\ dY_t &= b_t Y_t dt + a_t Y_t dW_t + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(e^{g_t(z)} - 1 \right) Y_{t-} \tilde{N}(dt, dz) \end{aligned}$$

where W is a one-dimensional Brownian motion, \tilde{N} is a one-dimensional compensated Poisson random measure on \mathbb{R} , and $\mu, b, \sigma, a, \gamma, g$ are \mathbb{F} -adapted stochastic processes.

- (a) Define $Z_t := X_t/Y_t$. Compute the differential dZ_t . Your answer should not involve X_t or Y_t .
- (b) Find μ_t so that Z is a martingale.

Solution

- (a) Define $f(x, y) = x/y$. Then $Z_t = f(X_t, Y_t)$.

We have,

$$[(e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_t; (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_t] \cdot \nabla f(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) = (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-} f_x(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} f_y(X_{t-}, Y_{t-})$$

We use Itô's formula to compute,

$$\begin{aligned} dZ_t = df(X_t, Y_t) &= \left(\mu_t X_t f_x + b_t Y_t f_y + \frac{1}{2} \left((\sigma_t X_t)^2 f_{xx} + 2(\sigma_t X_t)(a_t Y_t) f_{xy} + (a_t Y_t)^2 f_{yy} \right) \right) dt \\ &\quad + (\sigma_t X_t f_x + a_t Y_t f_y) dW_t \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(f \left(X_{t-} + (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-}, Y_{t-} + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} \right) - f(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) \right) \tilde{N}(dt, dz) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(f \left(X_{t-} + (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-}, Y_{t-} + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} \right) - f(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-} f_x(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) - (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} f_y(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) \right) \nu(dz) dt \end{aligned}$$

Now, using $f_x = 1/y$, $f_y = -x/y^2$, $f_{xy} = -1/y^2$, $f_{xx} = 0$, $f_{yy} = 2x/y^3$ we have,

$$\mu_t X_t f_x + b_t Y_t f_y = \mu_t X_t \left(\frac{1}{Y_t} \right) + b_t Y_t \left(\frac{-X_t}{Y_t^2} \right) = \mu_t Z_t - b_t Z_t$$

$$(\sigma_t X_t)^2 f_{xx} + 2(\sigma_t X_t)(a_t Y_t) f_{xy} + (a_t Y_t)^2 f_{yy} = 2(\sigma_t X_t)(a_t Y_t) \left(\frac{-1}{Y_t^2} \right) + a_t^2 Y_t^2 \left(\frac{2X_t}{Y_t^3} \right) = -2\sigma_t a_t Z_t + 2a_t^2 Z_t$$

$$\sigma_t X_t f_x + a_t Y_t f_y = \sigma_t X_t \left(\frac{1}{Y_t} \right) + a_t Y_t \left(\frac{-X_t}{Y_t^2} \right) = \sigma_t Z_t - a_t Z_t$$

$$f \left(X_{t-} + (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-}, Y_{t-} + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} \right) - f(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) = \frac{e^{\gamma_t(z)}}{e^{g_t(z)}} Z_{t-} - Z_{t-}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-}f_x(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-}f_y(X_{t-}, Y_{t-}) \\
&= (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)X_{t-} \left(\frac{1}{Y_{t-}} \right) + (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Y_{t-} \left(\frac{-X_{t-}}{Y_{t-}^2} \right) \\
&= (e^{\gamma_t(z)} - 1)Z_{t-} - (e^{g_t(z)} - 1)Z_{t-}
\end{aligned}$$

Inserting these evaluated expressions into the original expression for dZ_t gives,

$$\begin{aligned}
dZ_t &= (\mu_t - b_t - \sigma_t a_t + a_t^2) Z_t dt + (\sigma_t - a_t) Z_t dW_t \\
&\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{e^{\gamma_t(z)}}{e^{g_t(z)}} - 1 \right) Z_{t-} \tilde{N}(dt, dz) \\
&\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{e^{\gamma_t(z)}}{e^{g_t(z)}} - e^{\gamma_t(z)} + e^{g_t(z)} - 1 \right) Z_{t-} \nu(dz) dt
\end{aligned}$$

(b) We need the dt term to be zero. Therefore pick,

$$\mu_t = b_t + \sigma_t a_t - a_t^2 - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{e^{\gamma_t(z)}}{e^{g_t(z)}} - e^{\gamma_t(z)} + e^{g_t(z)} - 1 \right) \nu(dz) dt$$

Exercise 10.4

Let $\eta = (\eta_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a one-dimensional Lévy Process and define $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ by

$$dX_t = \kappa(\theta - X_t)dt + d\eta_t$$

- (a) Find X_t explicitly as a function of η .
 (b) Assume $\eta_t = \sigma W_t + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z \tilde{N}(t, dz)$. Compute $m(t) := \mathbb{E}X_t$ and $c(t, s) := \mathbb{E}(X_t - m(t))(X_s - m(s))$.

Solution

- (a) Let $Y_t = X_t - \theta$ and $Z_t = e^{\kappa t} Y_t = f(t, Y_t)$, where $f(t, y) = e^{\kappa t} y$.

Then,

$$dY_t = dX_t = -\kappa Y_t dt + d\eta_t$$

Recall the product rule (which applies to Lévy Itô processes),

$$d(U_t V_t) = U_{t-} dV_t + V_{t-} dU_t + d[U, V]_t$$

Therefore,

$$dZ_t = d(e^{\kappa t} Y_t) = e^{\kappa t-} dY_t + Y_{t-} de^{\kappa t} + d[e^{\kappa t}, Y]_t$$

Using our heuristics we have $d(e^{\kappa t})dY_t = 0$. Therefore, since t^- and t can be “treated the same” on dt terms which are continuous,

$$dZ_t = e^{\kappa t-} dY_t + \kappa e^{\kappa t} Y_{t-} = e^{\kappa t-} d\eta_t$$

Integrating we have,

$$Z_t = Z_0 + \int_0^t e^{\kappa s} d\eta_s$$

Therefore, since $Y_t = e^{-\kappa t} Z_t$, $Z_0 = Y_0$ so,

$$Y_t = e^{-\kappa t} \left(Y_0 + \int_0^t e^{\kappa s} d\eta_s \right)$$

Finally, since $X_t = \theta + Y_t$, $Y_0 = X_0 - \theta$ so,

$$X_t = \theta + e^{-\kappa t} \left(X_0 - \theta + \int_0^t e^{\kappa s} d\eta_s \right) = \theta + e^{-\kappa t} (X_0 - \theta) + \int_0^t e^{\kappa(s-t)} d\eta_s$$

- (b) We have,

$$d\eta_t = \sigma dW_t + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z \tilde{N}(dt, dz)$$

Observe, that since integrals with respect to dW_t and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \tilde{N}(dt, dz)$ are martingales so,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^t e^{\kappa(s-t)} d\eta_s \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^t e^{\kappa(s-t)} \sigma dW_t + \int_0^t e^{\kappa(s-t)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} z \tilde{N}(dt, dz) \right] = 0$$

Therefore,

$$m(t) = \mathbb{E}[X_t] = \mathbb{E} \left[\theta + e^{-\kappa t} (X_0 - \theta) + \int_0^t e^{\kappa(s-t)} d\eta_s \right] = \theta + e^{-\kappa t} (X_0 - \theta)$$

Clearly,

$$X_t - m(t) = \int_0^t e^{\kappa(u-t)} d\eta_u$$

Without loss of generality assume $t \geq s$. Then, using the independent increments property to write the expectation of a product as the product of expectations,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[(X_t - m(t))(X_s - m(s))] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^t e^{\kappa(u-t)} d\eta_u \right) \left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa(v-s)} d\eta_v \right) \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa(u-t)} d\eta_u + \int_s^t e^{\kappa(u-t)} d\eta_u \right) \left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa(v-s)} d\eta_v \right) \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[e^{-\kappa(t+s)} \left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right)^2 + e^{-\kappa(t+s)} \left(\int_s^t e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right) \left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa v} d\eta_v \right) \right] \\ &= e^{-\kappa(t+s)} \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right)^2 \right] + e^{-\kappa(t+s)} \mathbb{E} \left[\int_s^t e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right] \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^s e^{\kappa v} d\eta_v \right] \end{aligned}$$

We now note that, Lévy processes without a dt term are martingales so that,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^s e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^s e^{\kappa u} \left(\sigma dW_u + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z \tilde{N}(du, dz) \right) \right] = 0$$

Define,

$$Z_s = \int_0^s e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u$$

Then,

$$dZ_s = e^{\kappa s} d\eta_s = \sigma e^{\kappa s} dW_s + \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{\kappa s} z \tilde{N}(ds, dz)$$

Using Itô's isometry we have,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^s e^{\kappa u} d\eta_u \right)^2 \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^s \left(\sigma^2 e^{2\kappa u} + \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{2\kappa u} z^2 \nu(dz) \right) du \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sigma^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z^2 \nu(dz) \right) \frac{e^{2\kappa s} - 1}{2\kappa} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$c(t, s) = e^{-\kappa(t+s)} \frac{e^{2\kappa s} - 1}{2\kappa} \left(\sigma^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z^2 \nu(dz) \right) = \frac{e^{\kappa(s-t)} - e^{-\kappa(t+s)}}{2\kappa} \left(\sigma^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z^2 \nu(dz) \right)$$

We can remove our assumption that $t \geq s$ and write,

$$c(t, s) = \frac{e^{-\kappa|t-s|} - e^{-\kappa(t+s)}}{2\kappa} \left(\sigma^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} z^2 \nu(dz) \right)$$

Exercise 10.5

Let X be the following one-dimensional jump-diffusion

$$dX_t = \mu(t, X_t)dt + \sigma(t, X_t)dW_t + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \gamma(t, X_{t-}, z)\tilde{N}(t, dz),$$

where W is a one-dimensional Brownian motion and \tilde{N} is a one-dimensional compensated Poisson random measure on \mathbb{R} . Derive using the Lévy-Itô formula the infinitesimal generator $\mathcal{A}(t)$ of the X process,

$$\mathcal{A}(t)\varphi(x) := \lim_{s \rightarrow t^+} \frac{\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_s)|X_t = x] - \varphi(x)}{s - t}$$

Solution

Since $\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_t)|X_t = x] = \varphi(x)$,

$$\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X_s)|X_t = x] - \varphi(x) = \mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(X_t) + \int_t^s d\varphi(X_u)\right] - \varphi(x) = \mathbb{E}\left[\int_t^s d\varphi(X_u)\right]$$

From the Lévy-Itô formula we have,

$$\begin{aligned} d\varphi(X_u) &= \left(\mu(u, X_u)\varphi'(X_u) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma(u, X_u)^2\varphi''(X_u) \right) du + \sigma(u, X_u)\varphi'(X_u)dW_u \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\varphi(X_{u-} + \gamma(u, X_{u-}, z)) - \varphi(X_{u-}) \right) \tilde{N}(du, dz) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\varphi(X_{u-} + \gamma(u, X_{u-}, z)) - \varphi(X_{u-}) - \gamma(u, X_{u-}, z)\varphi'(X_{u-}) \right) \nu(dz)du \end{aligned}$$

We note that as integrals with respect to W and \tilde{N} are martingales that,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\left[\int_t^s d\varphi(X_u)\right] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\int_t^s \left(\mu(u, X_u)\varphi'(X_u) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma(u, X_u)^2\varphi''(X_u) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\varphi(X_{u-} + \gamma(u, X_{u-}, z)) - \varphi(X_{u-}) - \gamma(u, X_{u-}, z)\varphi'(X_{u-}) \right) \nu(dz) \right) du \right] \end{aligned}$$

Thus, taking the limit as $s \rightarrow t^+$,

$$\mathcal{A}(t)\varphi(x) = \left(\mu(t, X_t)\partial_x + \frac{1}{2}\sigma(t, X_t)^2\partial_x^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \nu(dz) (\theta_{\gamma(t, X_t, z)} - 1 - \gamma(t, X_t, z)\partial_x) \right) \varphi(x)$$