

Homework 4: Due Thursday March 8

1. Consider the simplest jump model,

$$dS_t = \mu S_t dt + d \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_t} S_{\tau_j-} (e^Z - 1) \right)$$

where N_t is a Poisson process with intensity λ and we assume the jump sizes are constant. This, if you recall, implies that $\Delta S_{\tau_j} = S_{\tau_j} - S_{\tau_j-} = S_{\tau_j-} (e^Z - 1)$ and that $S_{\tau_j} = S_{\tau_j-} e^Z$. Apply Ito's lemma to write in integrated and differential form: $X_t = f(S_t)$ for

(a) $f(x) = x^2$

(b) $f(x) = \log(x)$

(c) $f(x) = e^x$

2. Consider the pricing of options in the setting of the model in previous question.

(a) What is the no-arbitrage value of a call option struck at K ? Provide a closed form formula for the option price.

(b) Assume that $Z = -10\%$, $S_0 = 100$, and $K = 100$. What is the numerical value of a call option and put option struck at K ?

3. Consider the following two processes:

$$dX_t^1 = \mu_t^1 dt + \sigma_t^1 dB_t^1 + \sigma_t^{12} dB_t^2$$

$$dX_t^2 = \mu_t^2 dt + \sigma_t^2 dB_t^1 + \sigma_t^{21} dB_t^2$$

where the Brownian motions are independent and N_t^i has stochastic intensity λ_t^i .

(a) Write a stochastic differential equation for $Y_t = X_t^1 X_t^2$.

- (b) Write a stochastic differential equation for $Y_t = \frac{X_t^1}{X_t^2}$.
- (c) Assume there is a derivative on X_t^1 and X_t^2 . Use Ito's lemma to characterize the increments in $X_t = f(t, X_t^1, X_t^2)$.
- (d) Assume that X_t^1 and X_t^2 are traded assets and consider a self-financing portfolio in the risk-free asset and the two risky assets. Can you find a self-financing portfolio that perfectly replicates the cash flows of the derivative in the previous question? Provide formulas for the portfolio weights in the self-financing strategy.
- (e) Construct an equivalent martingale measure and provide a PDE for the price of the derivative.