1. (a) i. If we try to express the forward Libors using interpolated Libor discount factors, we will get

$$\Delta \times 2.5\% \times \left[ D_o(0, 0.5) + D_o(0, 1) + D_o(0, 1.5) + D_o(0, 2) \right]$$

$$= D_o(0, 0.5)\Delta L(0, 0, 5) + D_o(0, 1)\Delta L(0.5, 1)$$

$$+ D_o(0, 1.5)\Delta L(1, 1.5) + D_o(0, 2y)\Delta L(1.5, 2)$$

where  $\Delta = 0.5$  is the day count fraction,  $D_o$  is the OIS discount factor, and

$$L(1,1.5) = \frac{1}{\Delta} \frac{\tilde{D}(0,1) - \tilde{D}(0,1.5)}{\tilde{D}(0,1.5)} \quad \text{ and } \quad L(1.5,2) = \frac{1}{\Delta} \frac{\tilde{D}(0,1.5) - \tilde{D}(0,2)}{\tilde{D}(0,2)}$$

where  $\tilde{D}$  denote Libor discount factor. This ends up being a quadratic equation, which is cumbersome to solve. A better way is to use the Libor discount factors to work out what the 1.5y par swap rate should be

IRS 
$$1.5y = \frac{1 - \tilde{D}(0, 1.5)}{\Delta \times \left(\tilde{D}(0, 0.5) + \tilde{D}(0, 1) + \tilde{D}(0, 1.5)\right)} = 2.39\%$$

Hence

$$2.39\% \cdot \Delta \cdot \left[ D_o(0, 0.5) + D_o(0, 1) + D_o(0, 1.5) \right]$$
  
=  $D_o(0, 0.5)\Delta L(0, 0.5) + D_o(0, 1)\Delta L(0.5, 1) + D_o(0, 1.5)\Delta L(1, 1.5)$ 

In both collateralized and uncollateralized markets, we have  $L(1y6m, 2y) \approx 2.8\%$ .

- ii. Collateralized: 0.0138, uncollateralized: 0.0133
- iii.  $D_o(1y, 2y) \approx 0.992 \ D(1y, 2y) \approx 0.9726$
- 2. (a) i. If 1 unit of foreign currency is equal to  $FX \times 1$  unit of domestic currency, then

$$FX_T = FX_0 \frac{D_f(0,T)}{D_d(0,T)}$$

- ii. 0.983.
- (b) 102.47
- 3. (a) Given the stochastic differential equation followed by the short rate  $r_t$ , we obtain:

$$dr_{t} = \mu \, dt + \sigma \, dW_{t}^{*}$$

$$r_{s} = r_{t} + \mu \cdot (s - t) + \sigma \cdot (W_{s}^{*} - W_{t}^{*})$$

$$\int_{t}^{T} r_{u} \, du = r_{t} \cdot (T - t) + \mu \int_{t}^{T} (u - t) \, du + \sigma \int_{t}^{T} (W_{u}^{*} - W_{t}^{*}) \, du$$

$$= r_{t} \cdot (T - t) + \mu \left[ \frac{u^{2}}{2} - tu \right]_{t}^{T} + \sigma \int_{t}^{T} \int_{t}^{u} dW_{s} \, du$$

$$= r_{t} \cdot (T - t) + \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T - t)^{2} + \sigma \int_{t}^{T} \int_{s}^{T} du \, dW_{s}$$

$$= r_{t} \cdot (T - t) + \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T - t)^{2} + \sigma \int_{t}^{T} (T - s) \, dW_{s}$$

From this we can work out that

$$\mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_t^T r_u \ du \right] = r_t \cdot (T - r) + \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T - t)^2,$$

and

$$V\left[\int_{t}^{T} r_{u} du\right] = V\left[\sigma \int_{t}^{T} (T-s) dW_{s}\right]$$
$$= \sigma^{2} \int_{t}^{T} (T-s)^{2} ds$$
$$= \frac{\sigma^{2}}{3} (T-t)^{3}.$$

Hence, we have the distribution

$$- \int_{t}^{T} r_{u} du \sim N \left( -r_{t} \cdot (T - r) - \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T - t)^{2}, \frac{\sigma^{2}}{3} (T - t)^{3} \right).$$

We can therefore express the discount factor as

$$D(t,T) = \mathbb{E}^* \left[ e^{-\int_t^T r_u \, du} \right] = e^{-r_t \cdot (T-r) - \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T-t)^2 + \frac{1}{6} (T-t)^3}.$$

(b) Since we can also express the discount factor as

$$D(t,T) = e^{-R(t,T)(T-t)},$$

we can identify that

$$R(t,T) = r_t + \frac{\mu}{2} \cdot (T-t) - \frac{\sigma^2}{6} \cdot (T-t)^2$$

hence this is an affine short rate model.

4. (a) Under the Black-Scholes model of

$$dS_t = rS_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t^*,$$

we obtain

$$S_T = S_0 e^{\left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)T + \sigma W_T^*},$$

and hence

$$\log\left(\frac{\alpha S_T}{\beta}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) + \log(S_T)$$

$$= \log\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) + \log(S_0) + \left(r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)T + \sigma W_T^*.$$

Under Black-Scholes model, the contract can be priced as follows:

$$V_0 = e^{-rT} \mathbb{E}^* \left[ \log \left( \frac{\alpha S_T}{\beta} \right) \right] = e^{-rT} \left[ \log \left( \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right) + \log(S_0) + \left( r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) T \right].$$

(b) To apply static replication approach, first we let

$$h(K) = \log\left(\frac{\alpha K}{\beta}\right),\,$$

and the first and second derivatives are given by

$$h'(K) = \frac{1}{K},$$
  $h''(K) = -\frac{1}{K^2}.$ 

Choosing  $F = S_0 e^{rT}$  as the expansion point, the Breeden-Litzenberger formula is given by

$$V_{0} = e^{-rT}h(F) + \int_{0}^{F} h''(K)P(K) dK + \int_{F}^{\infty} h''(K)C(K) dK$$

$$= e^{-rT} \log \left(\frac{\alpha S_{0}e^{rT}}{\beta}\right) - \int_{0}^{F} \frac{P(K)}{K^{2}} dK - \int_{F}^{\infty} \frac{C(K)}{K^{2}} dK$$

$$= e^{-rT} \left[\log \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right) + \log(S_{0}) + rT\right] - \int_{0}^{F} \frac{P(K)}{K^{2}} dK - \int_{F}^{\infty} \frac{C(K)}{K^{2}} dK.$$

5. Taking the perspective of the foreign investor, we note that  $\frac{B_t^D}{X_t}$  is a foreign tradable. We use Itô's formula to derive the stochastic differential equation for this tradable:

$$dY_t = (r^D + \mu)Y_t dt + \sigma Y_t dW_t$$

Next, note that  $Z_t = \frac{Y_t}{B_t^F}$  is a ratio of foreign tradable, and must be a martingale. Writing down the stochastic differential equation, we have

$$dZ_t = (r^D - r^F + \mu)Z_t dt + \sigma Z_t dW_t$$
$$= \sigma Z_t \left( dW_t + \frac{r^D - r^F + \mu}{\sigma} dt \right)$$
$$= \sigma Z_t dW_t^F$$

So

$$dW_t = dW_t^F - \frac{r^D - r^F + \mu}{\sigma} dt,$$

substituting to the FX process, we have

$$\begin{split} d\frac{1}{X_t} &= \mu \frac{1}{X_t} dt + \sigma \frac{1}{X_t} dW_t \\ &= \mu \frac{1}{X_t} dt + \sigma \frac{1}{X_t} \left( dW_t^F - \frac{r^D - r^F + \mu}{\sigma} dt \right) \\ &= (r^F - r^D) \frac{1}{X_t} dt + \sigma \frac{1}{X_t} dW_t^F. \end{split}$$

6. (a)

$$dL_i(t) = \sigma_i L_i(t) dW_t^{i+1}, \quad L_i(t) = \frac{1}{\Delta_i} \frac{D_i(t) - D_{i+1}(t)}{D_{i+1}(t)}.$$

(b)  $D_{i+1}$ , zero coupon bond maturing at  $T_{i+1}$ .

(c)

$$D_{i+1}(0)\mathbb{E}^{i+1}\left[100 \times \mathbb{1}_{L_i(T) > 5\%}\right] = D_{i+1}(0) \cdot \frac{100}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x^*}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$$
$$= D_{i+1}(0) \cdot 100 \cdot \Phi\left(\frac{\log \frac{L_i(0)}{5\%} - \frac{\sigma_i^2 T}{2}}{\sigma_i \sqrt{T}}\right)$$

7. We use multi-currency change of numeraire theorem and Cholesky decomposition to evaluate the following expectation:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}^{i+1,D}\left[L_{i}^{F}(T)\right] &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(T) \cdot \frac{d\mathbb{Q}^{i+1,D}}{d\mathbb{Q}^{i+1,F}}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(T) \cdot \frac{\frac{D_{i+1}^{D}(T_{i+1})}{D_{i+1}^{F}(0)}}{\frac{X_{T}D_{i+1}^{F}(T_{i+1})}{X_{Q}D_{i+1}^{F}(0)}}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(T) \cdot \frac{\frac{D_{i+1}^{D}(T_{i+1})}{X_{T}D_{i+1}^{F}(T_{i+1})}}{\frac{D_{i+1}^{D}(0)}{X_{Q}D_{i+1}^{F}(0)}}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(T) \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{F_{i+1}}}{\frac{1}{F_{0}}}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(0)e^{-\frac{\sigma_{i}^{2}T}{2} + \sigma_{i}W^{i+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{F_{0}}e^{-\frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}T}{2} + \sigma_{x}W^{F}}\right] \times F_{0} \\ &= \mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[L_{i}^{F}(0)e^{-\frac{\sigma_{i}^{2}T}{2} + \sigma_{i}W^{i+1}} \cdot e^{-\frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}T}{2} + \sigma_{x}W^{F}}\right] \\ &= L_{i}^{F}(0)e^{-\frac{\sigma_{i}^{2}T}{2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}T}{2}}\mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[e^{\sigma_{i}W^{i+1}} \cdot e^{\sigma_{x}W^{F}}\right] \\ &= L_{i}^{F}(0)e^{-\frac{\sigma_{i}^{2}T}{2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}T}{2}}\mathbb{E}^{i+1,F}\left[e^{\sigma_{i}Z_{1}} \cdot e^{\sigma_{x}(\rho Z_{1} + \sqrt{1 - \rho^{2}}Z_{2})}\right] = L_{i}^{F}(0)e^{\sigma_{i}\sigma_{x}\rho_{T}} \end{split}$$

8. (a)

$$dL_{i}(t) = \sigma_{i}L_{i}(t)dW_{t}^{i+1}$$

$$L_{i}(T) = L_{i}(0)e^{-\frac{\sigma_{i}^{2}T}{2} + \sigma_{i}W_{T}^{i+1}}$$

$$L_{i}(T)^{2} = L_{i}(0)^{2}e^{-\sigma_{i}^{2}T + 2\sigma_{i}W_{T}^{i+1}}$$

So

$$V_0 = D_{i+1}(0)\mathbb{E}^{i+1} \left[ L_i(0)^2 e^{-\sigma_i^2 T + 2\sigma_i W_T^{i+1}} \right]$$
$$= D_{i+1}(0)L_i(0)^2 e^{\sigma_i^2 T}$$

(b) Choosing the expansion point at the forward LIBOR rate  $F = L_i(0)$ , we obtain

$$V_0 = D(0,T)L_i(0)^2 + \int_0^{L_i(0)} 2 V^f(K) dK + \int_{L_i(0)}^{\infty} 2 V^c(K) dK$$

9. Integrating the stochastic differential equation from t to s, we obtain

$$r_s = r_t + \int_t^s \theta(u) \ du + \int_t^s \sigma \ dW_u^*$$

Integrating both sides from t to T, we obtain

$$\int_{t}^{T} r_{s} ds = r_{t}(T - t) + \int_{t}^{T} \int_{t}^{s} \theta(u) du ds + \int_{t}^{T} \int_{t}^{s} \sigma dW_{u}^{*} ds$$

$$= r_{t}(T - t) + \int_{t}^{T} \int_{u}^{T} \theta(u) ds du + \int_{t}^{T} \int_{u}^{T} \sigma ds dW_{u}^{*}$$

$$= r_{t}(T - t) + \int_{t}^{T} \theta(u)(T - u) du + \int_{t}^{T} \sigma(T - u) dW_{u}^{*}.$$

So

$$\mathbb{E}^* \left[ \int_t^T r_s \, ds \right] = r_t(T - t) + \int_t^T \theta(u)(T - u) \, du$$
$$V \left[ \int_t^T r_s \, ds \right] = \frac{\sigma^2 (T - t)^3}{3}$$

So we have

$$D(t,T) = \mathbb{E}^* \left[ e^{-\int_t^T r_u \, du} \right] = \exp \left[ -r_t(T-t) - \int_t^T \theta(u)(T-u) \, du + \frac{\sigma^2(T-t)^3}{6} \right].$$

We can therefore express the zero coupon bond as

$$D(t,T) = \mathbb{E}^* \left[ e^{-\int_t^T r_u \, du} \right] = e^{A(t,T) - r_t B(t,T)},$$

where

$$A(t,T) = \int_{t}^{T} \theta(u)(u-T) du + \frac{\sigma^{2}(T-t)^{3}}{6}, \qquad B(t,T) = T-t.$$

10. (a) We note that

$$\mathbb{E}^*[dr_t] = \kappa(\theta - r_t)dt,$$

so if short rate is lower than the long run mean (i.e.  $\theta > r_t$ ), the drift term is positive, and  $dr_t$  is expected to drift upward, while if short rate is higher than the long run mean (i.e.  $\theta < r_t$ ), the drift term is negative, and  $dr_t$  is expected to drift downward. When  $\theta = r_t$ , the drift term is zero, and so  $dr_t$  is expected to remain at the same level.  $\kappa$  is a positive multiplier and controls the mean reversion speed.  $\lhd$ 

(b) Consider the function  $e^{\kappa t}r_t$ , the total derivative is given by

$$d(e^{\kappa t}r_t) = \kappa e^{\kappa t}r_t dt + e^{\kappa t} dr_t$$
$$= \kappa \theta e^{\kappa t} dt + \sigma e^{\kappa t} dW_t.$$

Integrating both sides from 0 to t, we can obtain a solution to the stochastic differential equation

$$\begin{split} \int_0^t d(e^{\kappa u} r_u) &= \int_0^t \kappa \theta e^{\kappa u} du + \int_0^t \sigma e^{\kappa u} dW_u \\ r_t &= r_0 e^{-\kappa t} + \theta (1 - e^{-\kappa t}) + \sigma \int_0^t e^{\kappa (u - t)} dW_u. \end{split}$$

Taking expectation on both sides gives us the mean

$$\mathbb{E}[r_t] = r_0 e^{-\kappa t} + \theta (1 - e^{-\kappa t}).$$

Applying Itô's Isometry theorem, we can evaluate the variance of the short rate

$$\begin{split} V[r_t] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sigma \int_0^t e^{\kappa(u-t)} dW_u\right)^2\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[\sigma^2 \int_0^t e^{2\kappa(u-t)} du\right] = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa} \left(1 - e^{-2\kappa t}\right). \end{split}$$

The distribution of  $r_t$  is therefore given by

$$r_t \sim N\left(r_0 e^{-\kappa t} + \theta(1 - e^{-\kappa t}), \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa}(1 - e^{-2\kappa t})\right).$$

So we have

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \mathbb{E}^*[r_t] = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left( r_0 e^{-\kappa t} + \theta (1 - e^{-\kappa t}) \right) = \theta, \quad \triangleleft$$
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} V[r_t] = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa} (1 - e^{-2\kappa t}) \right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\kappa}. \quad \triangleleft$$