

# Homework 3 (Sol)

Math 622

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1. (i)  $Q$  is a Levy process so

$$m = \mathbb{E}(Q(1)) = b_1\lambda_1 + b_2\lambda_2.$$

(ii) Consider the price model

$$dS(t) = \alpha S(t)dt + S(t-)dM(t), S(0) = 1.$$

$$S(t) = \exp\left((\alpha - m)t + \log(1 + b_1)N_1(t) + \log(1 + b_2)N_2(t)\right).$$

So  $K = 1, a_0 = \alpha - m, a_i = \log(1 + b_i), i = 1, 2.$

(iii) We have  $V(t) = c(t, S(t))$  where

$$\begin{aligned} c(t, x) &:= e^{-r(T-t)} \mathbb{E}\left[\left(xe^{a_0(T-t)+a_1[N_1(T)-N_1(t)]+a_2[N_2(T)-N_2(t)]} - K\right)^+\right] \\ &= e^{-r(T-t)} \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} \left(xe^{a_0(T-t)+a_1i+a_2j} - K\right)^+ e^{-(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)(T-t)} \frac{\lambda_1^i \lambda_2^j (T-t)^{i+j}}{i!j!}, \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality comes from the independence of  $N_1(T) - N_1(t), N_2(T) - N_2(t)$  so that their joint distribution is the product of their individual distributions.

(iv) We have

$$dS(t) = rS(t)dt + S(t-)d[Q(t) - (m + r - \alpha)t],$$

so we want  $Q(t)$  to be a Levy process under  $\mathbb{Q}$  and

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}(Q(1)) = m + r - \alpha.$$

From problem 3 of homework 2, we can choose  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $N_i$  are Poisson processes under  $\mathbb{Q}$  with rates  $\tilde{\lambda}_i, i = 1, 2$ . Thus the requirement about  $Q(t)$  being Levy is fulfilled. Moreover we want

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}(Q(1)) = \sum_{i=1}^2 b_i \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{Q}}(N_i(1)) = \sum_{i=1}^2 b_i \tilde{\lambda}_i = m + r - \alpha.$$

This sets up an equation for  $\tilde{\lambda}_i, i = 1, 2$ . If we can find  $\tilde{\lambda}_i > 0$  such that the equation is satisfied, then we can define the change of measure in the manner similar to 3(ii).

(v) Recalling that  $m = b_1 \lambda_1 + b_2 \lambda_2$ , we can re-write the above equation as

$$b_1 \tilde{\lambda}_1 = b_1 \lambda_1 + r - \alpha + b_2 (\lambda_2 - \tilde{\lambda}_2).$$

This is to exploit the fact that  $b_1 > 0 > b_2$ . The idea is to choose, if possible,  $\tilde{\lambda}_2 > 0$  so that the RHS  $> 0$ . Then since  $b_1 > 0$  we can solve for  $\tilde{\lambda}_1 > 0$ . But this is indeed always possible since  $b_2 < 0$ , it is clear that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} b_2 (\lambda_2 - x) = \infty$  so we just have to choose  $\tilde{\lambda}_2$  positive and large enough. It follows that indeed there are infinitely many values of such pairs  $\tilde{\lambda}_1, \tilde{\lambda}_2$ .

(vi) From a similar reasoning to part (v), we need to choose  $\mathbb{Q}$  such that  $N_i$  are Poisson processes under  $\mathbb{Q}$  with rates  $\tilde{\lambda}_i, i = 1, 2$ , where  $\tilde{\lambda}_i$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} b_1 \tilde{\lambda}_1 + b_2 \tilde{\lambda}_2 &= b_1 \lambda_1 + b_2 \lambda_2 + r - \alpha_1 \\ \tilde{\lambda}_1 &= \frac{r - \alpha_2}{\sigma_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}_2 &= \frac{b_1 \lambda_1 + b_2 \lambda_2 + r - \alpha_1 - b_1 \frac{r - \alpha_2}{\sigma_2}}{b_2} \\ \tilde{\lambda}_1 &= \frac{r - \alpha_2}{\sigma_2}. \end{aligned}$$

And we require

$$\begin{aligned} r - \alpha_2 &> 0 \\ b_1 \lambda_1 + b_2 \lambda_2 + r - \alpha_1 - b_2 \frac{r - \alpha_2}{\sigma_2} &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

If these conditions are satisfied, then the risk neutral measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  is unique, since by the above solution,  $\tilde{\lambda}_1, \tilde{\lambda}_2$  are unique.

2.

a) Explicitly identify a constant  $\theta$  and a compound Poisson process  $\bar{Q}$  such that

$$S(t) = S(0) \exp\{\sigma W(t) + \theta t + \bar{Q}(t)\}.$$

At the  $i$ th jump of  $Q$ :

$$1 + \Delta Q(t_i) = 1 + e^{Z_i} - 1 = e^{Z_i}.$$

Thus

$$\prod_{i=1}^{N(t)} (1 + \Delta Q(t_i)) = e^{\sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Z_i} := e^{\bar{Q}(t)},$$

where  $\bar{Q}(t)$  is compound Poisson with jump distribution  $Z_i$  and rate  $\lambda$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} S(t) &= S(0) \exp\left[\left(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)t + \sigma W(t)\right] \prod_{i=1}^{N(t)} (1 + \Delta Q(t_i)) \\ &= \exp\left[\left(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)t + \sigma W(t) + \bar{Q}(t)\right], \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \theta = \alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2, \bar{Q}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Z_i.$$

b) Since

$$m := E(Q(1)) = \lambda E(e^{Z_i} - 1) = \lambda(e^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1),$$

and

$$dS(t) = rS(t)dt + \sigma S(t)dWt + S(t-)[dQ(t) - (r - \alpha)dt],$$

it follows that we need  $r - \alpha = m$  or  $\alpha = r - m$  for the model to be risk neutral.

c) We have

$$S(T) = S(t) \exp\left[\theta(T - t) + \sigma(W(T) - W(t)) + \bar{Q}(T) - \bar{Q}(t)\right].$$

Thus by the Independence lemma,

$$\begin{aligned} V(t) &= e^{-r(T-t)} E\left[\left(S(t) \exp\left[\theta(T - t) + \sigma(W(T) - W(t)) + \bar{Q}(T) - \bar{Q}(t)\right] - K\right)^+ \middle| \mathcal{F}(t)\right] \\ &= c(t, S(t)), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$c(t, x) = e^{-r(T-t)} E \left[ H(x, Y(T-t)) \right],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} H(x, y) &= (xe^y - K)^+; \\ Y(s) &= \sigma W(s) + \theta s + \bar{Q}(s); \\ \theta &= \alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 = r - m - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2, \end{aligned}$$

$m$  is given in part b).

Note that here we use the fact that both Brownian motion  $W(t)$  and compound Poisson  $\bar{Q}(t)$  has stationary distribution. So  $W(T) - W(t) = W(T-t)$  and  $\bar{Q}(T) - \bar{Q}(t) = \bar{Q}(T-t)$  (in distribution).

d) Note that

$$\bar{Q}(T-t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(T-t)} Z_i,$$

and  $N(T-t)$  has Poisson  $\lambda(T-t)$  distribution. Recall from problem 2, conditioning on  $N(T-t) = n$ ,  $\bar{Q}(T-t)$  has Normal  $(0, n)$  distribution.

Also because  $\bar{Q}(t)$  and  $W(t)$  are independent  $\bar{Q}(T-t) + \sigma W(T-t)$  has  $N(0, n + \sigma^2(T-t))$  distribution.

Thus we see that conditioning on  $N(T-t) = n$ , we can write (as far as distribution is concerned)

$$(xe^{Y(T-t)} - K)^+ = (axe^{\nu_n U} - K)^+,$$

where  $U$  has standard normal distribution,  $a = e^{\theta(T-t)}$ ,  $\nu_n = \sqrt{n + \sigma^2(T-t)}$ .

Thus if we let

$$\bar{\kappa}(\tau, x, \nu) := e^{-r\tau} E \left[ (xe^{\nu U} - K)^+ \right],$$

then by the Independence Lemma (Since  $N(T-t)$  is independent of the rest of the random variables in the expression of  $Y(T-t)$ , also see problem 2c)

$$c(t, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \bar{\kappa}(T-t, ax, \nu_n) \frac{(\lambda(T-t))^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda(T-t)}.$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a &= e^{\theta(T-t)}; \\ \nu_n &= \sqrt{n + \sigma^2(T-t)}. \end{aligned}$$

**3.**

(a)

We have

$$m := E(Q(1)) = \lambda E(Y_1) = 2 \frac{3}{20} = \frac{3}{10}.$$

thus

$$dS(t) = S(t-)d(Q(t) - mt),$$

so  $S(t)$  is a martingale.

(b) Denote  $m = \frac{3}{10}$ ,  $a_1 = \frac{3}{4}$ ,  $a_2 = \frac{-3}{4}$ ,  $\lambda_1 = \frac{6}{5}$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \frac{4}{5}$  then

$$Q(t) = a_1 N_1(t) + a_2 N_2(t),$$

where  $N_1, N_2$  are independent Poisson processes with rates  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and

$$S(t) = e^{-mt + \log(1+a_1)N_1(t) + \log(1+a_2)N_2(t)}.$$

So

$$S(T) = S(t) e^{-m(T-t) + \log(1+a_1)[N_1(T) - N_1(t)] + \log(1+a_2)[N_2(T) - N_2(t)]}.$$

Thus by the Independence Lemma,

$$E\left[(K - S(T))^+ | \mathcal{F}(t)\right] = c(t, S(t)),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c(t, x) &= E\left[(x e^{-m(T-t) + \log(1+a_1)N_1(T-t) + \log(1+a_2)N_2(T-t)} - K)^+\right] \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^{\infty} (x e^{-m(T-t) + \log(1+a_1)i + \log(1+a_2)j} - K)^+ e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)(T-t)} \frac{\lambda_1^i \lambda_2^j (T-t)^{i+j}}{i!j!}. \end{aligned}$$

**4.** a) From the dynamics of  $S(t)$ :

$$\Delta S(t) =: S(t) - S(t-) = \sqrt{S(t-)S(t-)} \Delta Q(t).$$

Thus

$$S(t) = S(t-)[1 + \sqrt{S(t-)}\Delta Q(t)].$$

So it is clear that

$$S(t) = \begin{cases} S(t-), & \text{if } \Delta Q(t) = 0; \\ S(t-)\left(1 + \sqrt{S(t-)}\right), & \text{if } \Delta N_1(t) = 1; \\ S(t-)\left(1 - (1/2)\sqrt{S(t-)}\right), & \text{if } \Delta N_2(t) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Also since

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta c(t, S(t)) &= c(t, S(t)) - c(t, S(t-)) \\ &= c(t, S(t-)[1 + \sqrt{S(t-)}\Delta Q(t)]) - c(t, S(t-)), \end{aligned}$$

coupled with the fact that  $N_1, N_2$  do not jump at the same time, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta c(t, S(t)) &= \left[ c(t, S(t-)(1 + \sqrt{S(t-)}) - c(t, S(t-)) \right] \Delta N_1(t) \\ &\quad + \left[ c(t, S(t-)(1 - \sqrt{S(t-)} / 2) - c(t, S(t-)) \right] \Delta N_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

b) Apply Ito's formula, noting the fact that we need to compensate  $-1dt$  for both processes  $N_1, N_2$  to make them martingales, the equation for  $c(t, x)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} -rc(t, x) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}c(t, x) + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x})x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}c(t, x) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}c(t, x)x^2 \\ + [c(t, x(1 + \sqrt{x})) - c(t, x)] + [c(t, x(1 - \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2})) - c(t, x)] = 0, 0 \leq t < T, x > 0; \\ c(T, x) = (x - K)^+, x > 0. \end{aligned}$$

6. Let

$$\begin{aligned} dS(t) &= \alpha(t)S_t d_t + \sigma S(t)dW(t) + S(t-)dQ(t), \\ S(0) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N(t)Y_i$  is a compound Poisson process,

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i &= \frac{1}{4} \text{ with probability } p \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \text{ with probability } 1 - p. \end{aligned}$$

We require  $p > 1 - p$  so that the positive jump arrives faster on average than the negative jumps. This implies  $p > \frac{1}{2}$ .

Let  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  be independent, identically distributed random variables satisfying  $\mathbf{P}(U_i > 0) = 1$  and  $E[U_i] = 1/4$ . These represent the random jolts causing positive price jumps. Let  $N_1(t)$  denote the process counting the positive jumps. Assume it is a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda_1$ , independent of  $U_1, U_2, \dots$ .

Let  $V_1, V_2, \dots$  be independent, identically distributed random variables with  $\mathbf{P}(-1 < V_i < 0) = 1$  and  $E[V_i] = -1/3$ . These represent the jolts causing negative price jumps. We assume they arrive as a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda_2$ , independent of all random variables and processes previously defined. By criterion (iv) of the model specification, one should assume  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$ . Let

$$Q(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_1(t)} U_j + \sum_{k=1}^{N_2(t)} V_k.$$

This is a compound Poisson process with mean  $E[Q(t)] = \lambda_1/4 - \lambda_2/3$ .

Let  $\alpha$  denote the instantaneous mean rate of return, and assume it is constant and deterministic. Criterion (i) says that between jumps  $dS(t) = \alpha S(t) dt + \sigma S(t) dW(t)$  where  $W$  is a Brownian motion. In keeping with the general form of a Lévy process, assume that  $W$  is independent of  $N_1, N_2, U_1, U_2, \dots$  and  $V_1, V_2, \dots$ .

The model we propose is

$$dS(t) = \alpha S(t) dt + \sigma S(t) dW(t) + S(t-) d[Q(t) - (\lambda_1/4 - \lambda_2/3)t].$$