

**MECHANISMS FOR
NO-ARBITRAGE
TERM-STRUCTURE MODELLING,
WITH APPLICATIONS TO
INTEREST-RATES AND
REALIZED VARIANCE**

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A reversal of ECB policy in the next months,
what consequence for our positions?

A continued rise in volatility during these next weeks,
how to quantify the effects?

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Develop a framework to handle these questions as follows.

- **Step 1.** Establish **construction methods for no-arbitrage** dynamics of **term-structures of forward rates** (forward interest-rates, forward realized-variances, etc).
- **Step 2.** Refine the Step 1 mechanisms to assure compliance of **instantaneous rates** (short rate, instantaneous realized-variance, etc) with empirically observed **stylized facts**:
 - finite time-horizon **mean reversion**.
 - finite time-horizon **positivity** (respectively **boundedness from below**).
 - **non-exploding prices** of corresponding primary instruments (bonds, variance swaps, etc).
- **Step 3.** Assure **tractability** of the constructions, as well as its **transfer** to derivatives valuation and hedging ... in concrete cases, moreover.

Benchmark for tractability: Vasicek model of short-rate.

MODELLING FRAMEWORK: HIGHLY-STYLIZED, I.

Work on a fixed filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{F} = (\mathcal{F}_u)_{u \in [0, T^*]}, P)$ where $T^* \in [0, \infty]$.

- **Given:** the family of **forward-rate processes**

$$(f_{t,T})_{t \in [0, T]}, \quad \text{for every } T \in [0, T^*).$$

- **Consider:** the family of **term-structure processes**, for every $T \in [0, T^*]$ given by

$$(Y_{t,T})_{t \in [0, T]}, \quad \text{where } Y_{t,T} = g\left(\int_{[t, T]} f_{t,u} du\right),$$

for fixed and sufficiently nice $g : (\text{range of the } f_{t,T}) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$.

- **Step 1. Construction of (\mathbf{F}, Q) -no-arbitrage dynamics** by asking the validity of the **expectations hypothesis**

$$Y_{t,T} = E^Q [g(R_T - R_t) \mid \mathcal{F}_t], \quad t \in [0, T],$$

where

$$R_u = \int_{[0, u]} f_{s,s} ds, \quad u \in [0, T^*).$$

for any $T \in [0, T^*]$, on measure change from P to an equivalent Q .

MODELLING FRAMEWORK: HIGHLY-STYLIZED, II.

Continue in the setting of Step 1.

- Focus on the **instantaneous rate**, namely

$$(f_{u,u})_{u \in [0, T^*)},$$

and look at its (\mathbf{F}, P) -dynamics.

- **Step 2. Effect compliance with stylized facts** of the Step 1 construction by asking validity of:

- **Mean reversion (MR)**. We have

$$\lim_{u \uparrow T^*} f_{u,u} = f^{T^*, T^*},$$

in a cup or L^1 sense w.r.t. P .

- **Positivity** (P_ε). For fixed $\varepsilon \geq 0$, we have

$$f_{u,u} \geq \min\{0, f_{0,u} - \varepsilon\},$$

for every $u \in [t_0, T_0] \subseteq [0, T^*)$, in a P -a.s. sense.

MODELLING FRAMEWORK: HIGHLY-STYLIZED, III.

- **Specialization** of the modelling framework by choice of g :

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{realized-variance} \\ \text{modelling} \end{array} \right) \longleftrightarrow g = \text{id}.$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{interest-rate} \\ \text{modelling} \end{array} \right) \longleftrightarrow g = 1 / \exp .$$

- **For concreteness' and definiteness' sake:** Focus in the rest of the talk on

$$g = 1 / \exp ,$$

the **interest-rate case**.

MODELLING FRAMEWORK, TRANSLATED

Construct short rate r as a process on a fixed filtered probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{F} = (\mathcal{F}_u)_{u \geq 0}, P)$:

$$r = (r_u)_{u \geq 0},$$

with the **construction to satisfy 4 conditions**:

- **No-arbitrage**: There is an EMM (equivalent martingale measure) $Q \sim P$ such that for all points in time $t \leq T$:

$$P_{t,T} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{time-}t \text{ price of} \\ \text{maturity-}T \\ \text{zerobond} \end{pmatrix} = E^Q \left[\exp \left(- \int_t^T r_u du \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right];$$

here then $f_{t,u} = -\partial_T \log(P_{t,T})|_{T=u}$ and vice versa.

- **FIT**: The (observed) time-0 prices $(P_{0,T})_{T \geq 0}$ satisfy

$$P_{0,T} = E^Q \left[\exp \left(- \int_0^T r_u du \right) \right], \quad T \geq 0.$$

- **Stylized Fact (P $_\epsilon$)**: Have $r_u \geq \min\{0, f_{0,u} - \epsilon\}$, for all $u \in [t_0, T_0] \subseteq [0, T^*) \subseteq \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$.
- **Stylized Fact (MR)**: Have existence (in ucp or L^1) and (P $_\epsilon$) of $r_{T^*} = \lim_{u \rightarrow T^*} r_u$.

BENCHMARK MODEL, I: NO-ARBITRAGE.

The Vasicek model postulates short rate dynamics of the form

$$r_t = m_t + \int_0^t \sigma_{s,t} dW_s, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$$

driven by (\mathbf{F}, P) -Brownian motion W , with vol structure for fixed $a, \bar{\sigma} \in \mathbf{R}_{>0}$ given by:

$$\sigma_{s,t} = \bar{\sigma} \exp(-a(t-s)), \quad s \leq t.$$

Conditions **No-arbitrage** and **FIT** hold with the choice:

$$\begin{aligned} m_t &= f_{0,t} + \int_0^t \partial_T \Theta W(-\Sigma_{s,T}) \Big|_{T=t} ds \\ &= f_{0,t} + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\sigma}/a)^2 (1 - e^{-at})^2, \end{aligned}$$

for all $t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$, where $f_{0,t} := -\partial_t P_{0,t}$.

BENCHMARK MODEL, II: STYLIZED FACTS.

Continue with **No-arbitrage** and **FIT** to hold.

- **Properties I:** Have

$$r_u \sim N(\mu_u, \text{var}_u),$$

where $\mu_u = m_u$ and $\text{var}_u = \bar{\sigma}^2 / (2a)(1 - e^{-2au})$.

- **Properties II:** Assuming existence of $f_{0,\infty} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f_{0,t}$, we have existence of $r_\infty = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} r_u$ with

$$r_\infty \sim N(\mu_\infty, \text{var}_\infty),$$

where $\mu_\infty = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \mu_u = f_{0,\infty} + (1/2)(\bar{\sigma}/a)^2$ and $\text{var}_\infty = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \text{var}_u = \bar{\sigma}^2 / (2a)$.

- **Problem 1:** Positivity of r_u and r_∞ systematically violated!
- **Problem 2:** Exploding bond prices, otherwise!

BENCHMARK MODEL, III: (P_ε) failure.

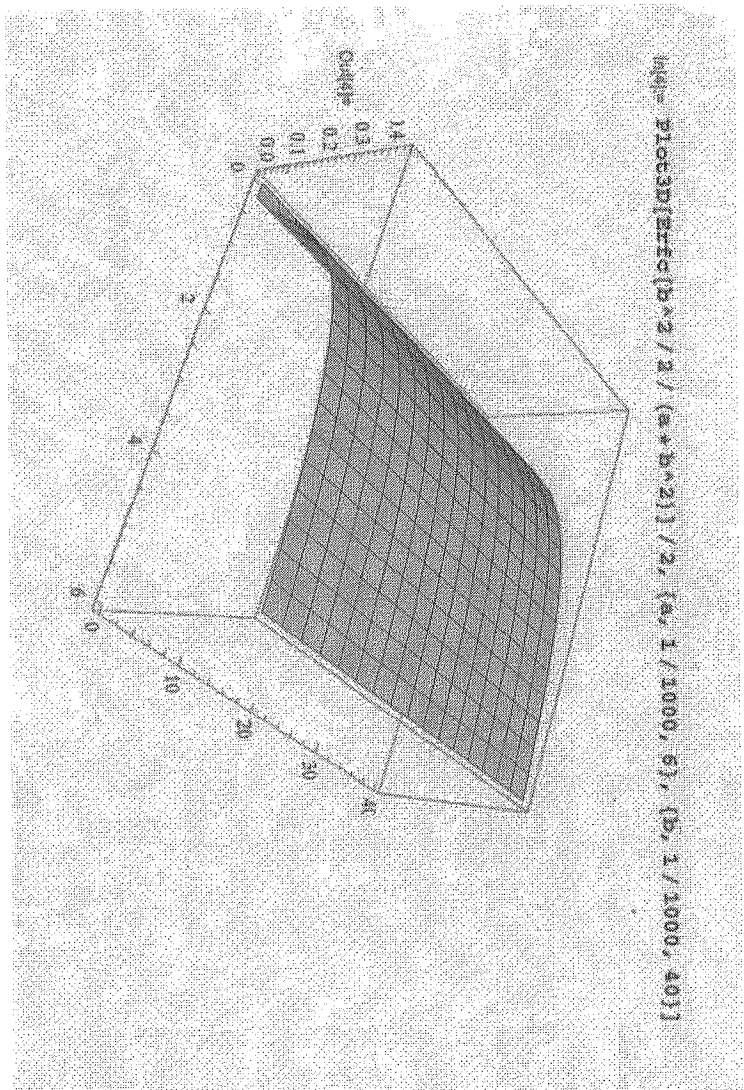


Figure 1. $P(r_\infty < 0)$ in dependency on Vasicek parameters a and $b = \bar{\sigma}/a$.

DRAWING ON WORK OF EBERLEINS

To overcome negativity problems of Vasicek short rates we make use of work of Eberlein et al's as follows.

- **Basic idea:** Keep the overall form of the Vasicek model dynamics for r but exchange as its driver Brownian motion W by a general semimartingale L .
- **More precisely,** consider dynamics

$$r_u = a_u + \int_0^t \alpha_{s,t} ds + \int_0^t \sigma_{s,t} dL_s, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0},$$

with L a (\mathbf{F}, P) -semimartingale and (here as well as in the rest of the talk!) $a : \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and $\alpha, \sigma : \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ sufficiently nice (processes or even just) functions.

- **Problem:** Already **No-arbitrage** is **unachievable** in general by structural reasons: L is too general a semimartingale!
- **Remedy:** Have to restrict the generality of L and resort to **constructing** appropriate semimartingale drivers L .

DRIVING PROCESSES, I.

- **Basic insight:** Already the class of **PII-semimartingales** furnishes appropriate semimartingale drivers L .
- **The construction of PII-semimartingales** L is in terms of triples (b, c, ν) , to be called *PII-triples*, where:
 - $b \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0})$,
 - $c \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0})$ and $c \geq 0$,
 - $\nu = \{\nu_s(dx) \times ds\}_{s>0}$ is a (predictable) random measure on $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}_{>0}$ with all $(|x|^2 \wedge 1)\nu_s(x)$ integrable on \mathbf{R} ,

and is (morally) effected by associating with (b, c, ν) the process given by:

$$L_t = \int_0^t b_s^* ds + L_t^c + L_t^{\text{pd}}, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0},$$

where $b_s^* = b_s + (x - \mathbf{1}_{\{|x| \leq 1\}}) * \nu_s$ and where

$$L_t^c = \int_0^t \sqrt{c_s} dW_s,$$

$$L_t^{\text{pd}} = \int_0^t \int_{\mathbf{R}} x(\mu - \nu)(dx, ds),$$

for any $t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$, are the *continuous martingale (Gaussian) part* of L and the *purely-discontinuous martingale part* of L respectively (here μ is the jump measure).

DRIVING PROCESSES, II.

- The **driving processes** L to be chosen encompass Brownian motion with drift.
- Starting from an arbitrary **PII-triple** (b, c, ν) , where:
 - $b = (b_s)_{s \geq 0} \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0})$,
 - $c = (c_s)_{s \geq 0} \in L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0})$ and $c \geq 0$,
 - $\nu = \{\nu_s(dx) \times ds\}_{s > 0}$ is a (predictable) random measure on $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}_{> 0}$ with all $(|x|^2 \wedge 1)\nu_s(x)$ integrable on \mathbf{R} ,
- they are characterized by the **Fourier transforms of their laws**:

$$E[\exp(zL_u)] = \exp(\Theta_{L,u}(z)),$$

where

$$\Theta_{L,u}(z) = \int_{[0,u]} \vartheta_{L,s}(z) ds,$$

with

$$\vartheta_{L,s}(z) = zb_s + \frac{1}{2}z^2c_s + \int_{\mathbf{R}} (e^{zx} - 1 - z\mathbf{1}_{\{|x| \leq 1\}}) \nu(dx, ds),$$

for complex z in some open neighborhood of $\sqrt{-1}\mathbf{R}$.

PEDAGOGICAL DEVICE re (EMM)

We consider –initially– the situation:

$$Q = P,$$

where the (given) **statistical measure** P is taken to also furnish an **EMM**.

Will later indicate how to get beyond this convenient but particular arrangement!

STEP 1: THE SHORT-RATE MECHANISM, I.

- **Idea:** Assure dynamics with **No-arbitrage** by adaption of drift.
 - **Theorem 1 (Short rate mechanism):** *There is a construction to associate with (sufficiently nice) pairs $(\sigma, (b, c, \nu))$ of*
 - $\sigma : \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$ volatility structure,
 - (b, c, ν) PII-triple
- a dynamics of the short rate r satisfying **No-arbitrage and FIT**.
Explicitly the construction proceeds by adaption of the drift
 by way of the definition

$$r_t = m_t + \int_0^t \sigma_{s,t} dL_s, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0},$$

where $L = L(b, c, \nu)$ and

$$m_t = f_{0,t} + \int_0^t \partial_T \Theta_{L,s}(-\Sigma_{s,T})|_{T=t} ds$$

setting $\Sigma_{s,T} = \int_s^T \sigma_{s,u} du$ and with

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{L,s}(z) &= z \int_0^s b_u du + \frac{z^2}{2} \int_0^s c_u du \\ &+ \int_0^s \int_{\mathbf{R}} (e^{zx} - 1 - z \mathbf{1}_{\{|x| \leq 1\}}) \nu(dx, ds), \end{aligned}$$

for complex z in a suitable open neighborhood of $\sqrt{-1} \mathbf{R}$.

STEP 1: THE SHORT-RATE MECHANISM, II.

- The **key step** for establishing the S-R M is to assure validity of the **expectations hypothesis**, namely

$$P_{t,T} = E^Q \left[\exp \left(- \int_t^T r_u du \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right], \quad t \in [0, T],$$

for any $T < T^*$.

- The **key tool** for this is furnished by the following result.

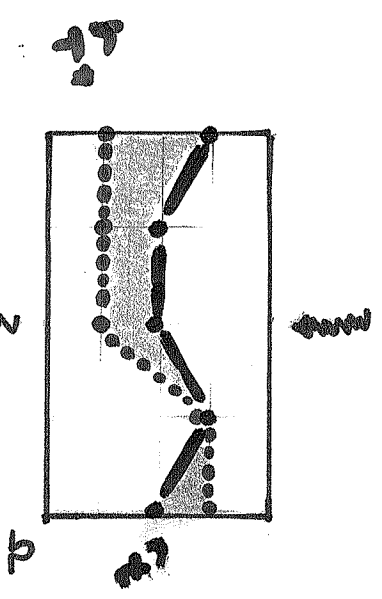
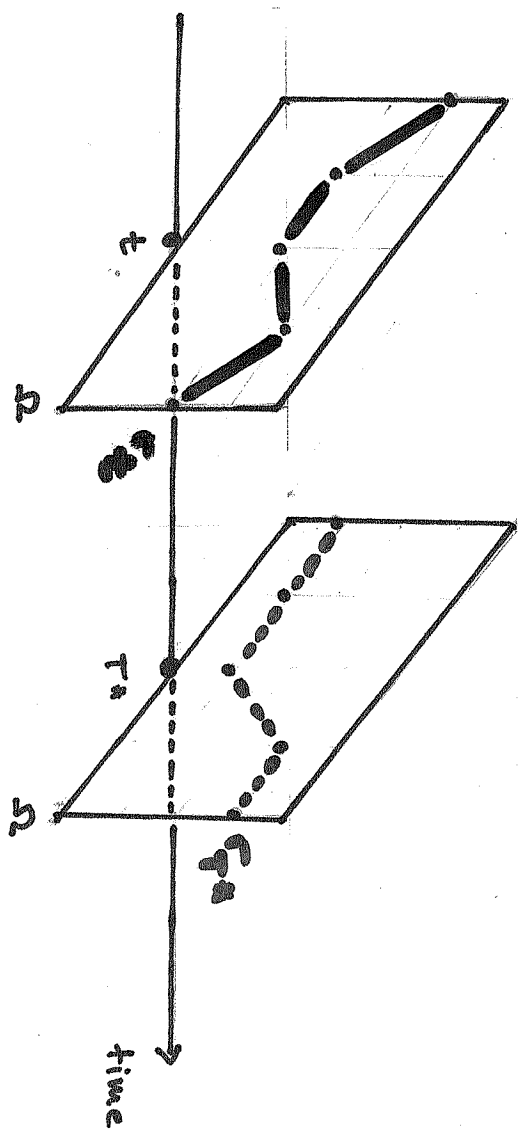
Lemma: For PII-semimarts L we have

$$E \left[\exp \left(\int_t^T f(s) dL_s \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right] = \exp \left(\int_t^T \vartheta_{L,s}(f(s)) ds \right),$$

for any $t \in [0, T]$ and any càg map $f : [t, T] \rightarrow \text{Dom}(\Theta_{L,T})$.

- **Credits:** The S-R M provides a perspective on the vintage 2005 U Freiburg PhD thesis of W. Kluge, written under the direction of E. Eberlein; this perspective was developed in the 2009 MSc-thesis of L. Slamova.

STEP 2: ADD MEAN-REVERSION, I.



$$E[|r_t - r_{t+1}|] \leq \epsilon$$

as $t \rightarrow T^*$

STEP 2: ADD MEAN-REVERSION, II.

- Address **finite-horizon mean-reversion** of $(r_u)_{u \geq 0}$ by asking, for fixed $T^* \in (0, \infty]$ and $\varepsilon \geq 0$, the following condition:

$$\text{(MR)} \quad E[|r_T^* - r_t|] < \varepsilon, \text{ for every } t \in [T^* - \delta, T^*],$$

for some $\delta = \delta(r, T^*, \varepsilon) > 0$.

- **Task:** Incorporate (MR) in the Step 1 no-arbitrage correspondence $(\sigma, L) \mapsto r(\sigma, L)$ of Theorem 1.
- **Theorem 2:** *If L has first (and second) order moments w.r.t. the chosen EMM Q , then $r(\sigma, L)$ also satisfies (MR) under 4 additional conditions centered on σ being contained in $L^1(0, \infty)$ and $L^2(0, \infty)$ with 'good' respective Cauchy-condition-type convergence properties.*

STEP 2: ADD MEAN-REVERSION, III.

Range of applicability of the Theorem 2 incorporation of (MR) in the Step 1 no-arbitrage correspondence.

- Processes:
 - Does not apply to α -stable processes L , but
 - does apply to every process L whose moment generating function $z \mapsto E[\exp(zL_1)]$ is finite on an open neighborhood of $\sqrt{-1}\mathbf{R}$, as, e.g., for $L \in \{\text{GIG}, \text{NIG}\}$.

- Vol-structures:
 - Does not apply to $\sigma = \text{const} > 0$, but
 - does apply to the vol-structures given by

$$(1) \quad \sigma_{s,u} = \bar{\sigma} \exp(-a(u-s)),$$

$$(2) \quad \sigma_{s,u} = \bar{\sigma} \exp(-a(u-s)) \frac{1+\gamma u}{1+\gamma s},$$

for any $s \leq u$, for arbitrary fixed real $\bar{\sigma}$, $a > 0$ and γ .

STEP 2: ADD POSITIVITY, I.

Starting from arbitrary but sufficiently regular pairs

(σ, L) where σ vol-structure on $[0, T^*]$ ²
 L Pll-semimartingale

we have constructed

- a **no-arbitrage correspondence** of $(f_{s,u})_{s \in [0,u]}$, the forward-rate processes,
- which induces a **no-arbitrage short-rate process** $r = r(\sigma, L)$
- that satisfies finite-horizon **mean-reversion (MR)**, under integrability conditions on σ, L .

We wish to incorporate in these correspondences in addition

- compliance with **rising-rate scenarios**, respectively **falling-rate scenarios**.

STEP 2: ADD POSITIVITY, II.

Stressing scenarios is a new feature.

By a **rising-rate scenario** we mean:

- the specification of a fixed period of time $[t_0, T_0] \subseteq [0, T^*)$.
- the specification of a short-rate process $r = (r_u)_{u \in [0, T^*)}$ with $r|_{[t_0, T_0]}$ increasing w.r.t. the statistical measure P , i.e., $r_u \leq r_{u^*}$ on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{F}, P)$ for every $u \leq u^*$ in $[t_0, T_0]$.
- validity, for some $\varepsilon \geq 0$, of the P -almost-surely condition

$$(P_\varepsilon) \quad r_u = f_{u,u} \geq \min\{0, f_{0,u} - \varepsilon\},$$

for every $u \in [t_0, T_0]$.

Falling-rate scenarios conceive as mirror images of rising-rate scenarios.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, I.

- Will demonstrate incorporation of rising-rate scenarios
- in the situation when $L = IG(\delta, \gamma)$ -process
- in an as explicit and as strict as possible form of the no-arbitrage correspondence
- ... a plan which boils down to work done in the 2009/2010 MSc thesis of L. Slámová.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, II.

- **Set-up** (§6.3 of Slámová MSc-thesis). Consider short rates $r = r(\sigma, (0, 0, \nu))$ of the form:

$$r_t = m_t + \int_0^t \sigma_{s,t} dL_s, \quad t \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0},$$

where $L = L(0, 0, \nu)$ with

$$\nu(dx, ds) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma^2 x) \delta \frac{\exp(-\frac{1}{2}\gamma^2 x)}{\sqrt{2\pi x^3}} \mathbf{1}_{\{x>0\}} dx \times ds,$$

and where (generically)

$$m_t = f_{0,t} - \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \frac{\Sigma_{0,t}}{\sqrt{1 + 2\Sigma_{0,t}/\gamma^2}}$$

with $\Sigma_{0,t} = \int_0^t \sigma_{0,u} du = (\bar{\sigma}/a)(1 - \exp(-at))$.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, III.

In the setting of the previous slide, the no-arbitrage correspondence with (MR) is explicitly given as follows.

• **Theorem 3** (Slámová MSc-thesis, §§6.3.2, 6.3.3): For any two pairs $(\bar{\sigma}, a) \in \mathbf{R}_{>0}^2$ and $(\delta, \gamma) \in \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$, the short rate $r = r(\sigma, (0, 0, \nu))$ constructed in the previous slide has the following properties (1) to (3):

(1) r satisfies **No-arbitrage and FIT**.

(2) If $f_{0,\infty} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f_{0,t}$ exists in \mathbf{R} , then r has mean reversion to the random variable r_∞ given by:

$$r_\infty = m_\infty + \text{IG}(\delta_\infty, \gamma_\infty),$$

where

$$m_\infty = f_{0,\infty} - \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \frac{\bar{\sigma}/a}{\sqrt{1 - 2(\bar{\sigma}/a)/\gamma^2}},$$

and where $\delta_\infty = \delta\sqrt{\bar{\sigma}}/a$ and $\gamma_\infty = \gamma/\sqrt{\bar{\sigma}}$.

(3) r is increasing on $[0, T^*)$ for any T^* in $[0, \infty]$.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, IV.

The Theorem 3 explicit representation of the no-arbitrage correspondence gives a handle for establishing a **sufficiency criterion** for its compliance with an $\varepsilon = 0$ **rising-rate scenario**. This turns out to be based on **solving quadratic equations**.

- **Recall** for this

$$m_t = f_{0,t} - \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \frac{\Sigma_{0,t}}{\sqrt{1+2\Sigma_{0,t}/\gamma^2}}$$

where $\Sigma_{0,t} = \int_0^t \sigma_{0,u} du = (\bar{\sigma}/a)(1 - \exp(-at))$.

- **The key equivalences:** Assuming $f_{0,t} > 0$,

$0 \leq m_t$ iff $\Sigma_{0,t}$ is in the solution interval of the quadratic inequality

$$Q_t(x) := \left(\frac{\delta}{\gamma}\right)^2 x^2 - 2\left(\frac{f_{0,t}}{\gamma}\right)^2 x - f_{0,t}^2 \leq 0;$$

iff $\bar{\sigma} \in \left[0, \frac{a}{1 - \exp(-at)} \Sigma_t^+\right]$,

where Σ_t^+ is the positive root of $Q_t(x) = 0$.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, V.

Summing up, we have the following **criterion for compliance** of the short-rate process $r = r(\sigma, \text{IG}(\delta, \gamma))$ constructed in Theorem 3 with an $\varepsilon = 0$ **rising-rate scenario**.

- **Theorem 4** (Slámová MSc-thesis, Corollary 6.26): *In the situation of Theorem 3 we have*

$$r_t > 0 \text{ for any } t \in [t_0, T] \subseteq \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$$

if $f_{0,t} > 0$ for all $t \in [t_0, T]$ and if the Vasicek vol parameter $\bar{\sigma}$ satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\sigma} &\in \left(0, \min_{t \in [t_0, T]} \frac{a}{1 - \exp(-at)} \Sigma_t^+ \right) \\ &\subseteq \left(0, \frac{a}{1 - \exp(-at_0)} \min_{t \in [t_0, T]} \Sigma_t^+ \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\Sigma_t^+ = (1/\delta^2)(f_{0,t}^2 + f_{0,t} \sqrt{f_{0,t}^2 + (\delta\gamma)^2})$.

STEP 2: RISING-RATE SCENARIO, VI.

In the version of her MSc thesis prepared for Charles University, Prague, Slámová was able to develop:

- estimation techniques and
 - simulation techniques
- for rates r from the short rate machine including those of Theorems 3 and 4 above.

Examples of sample paths thus obtained include the following:

- **Figure 3:** Simulation of this talk's short rate r , based on drivers L constructed using IG(δ, γ)-processes.

Figure 3 by courtesy of Slámová.

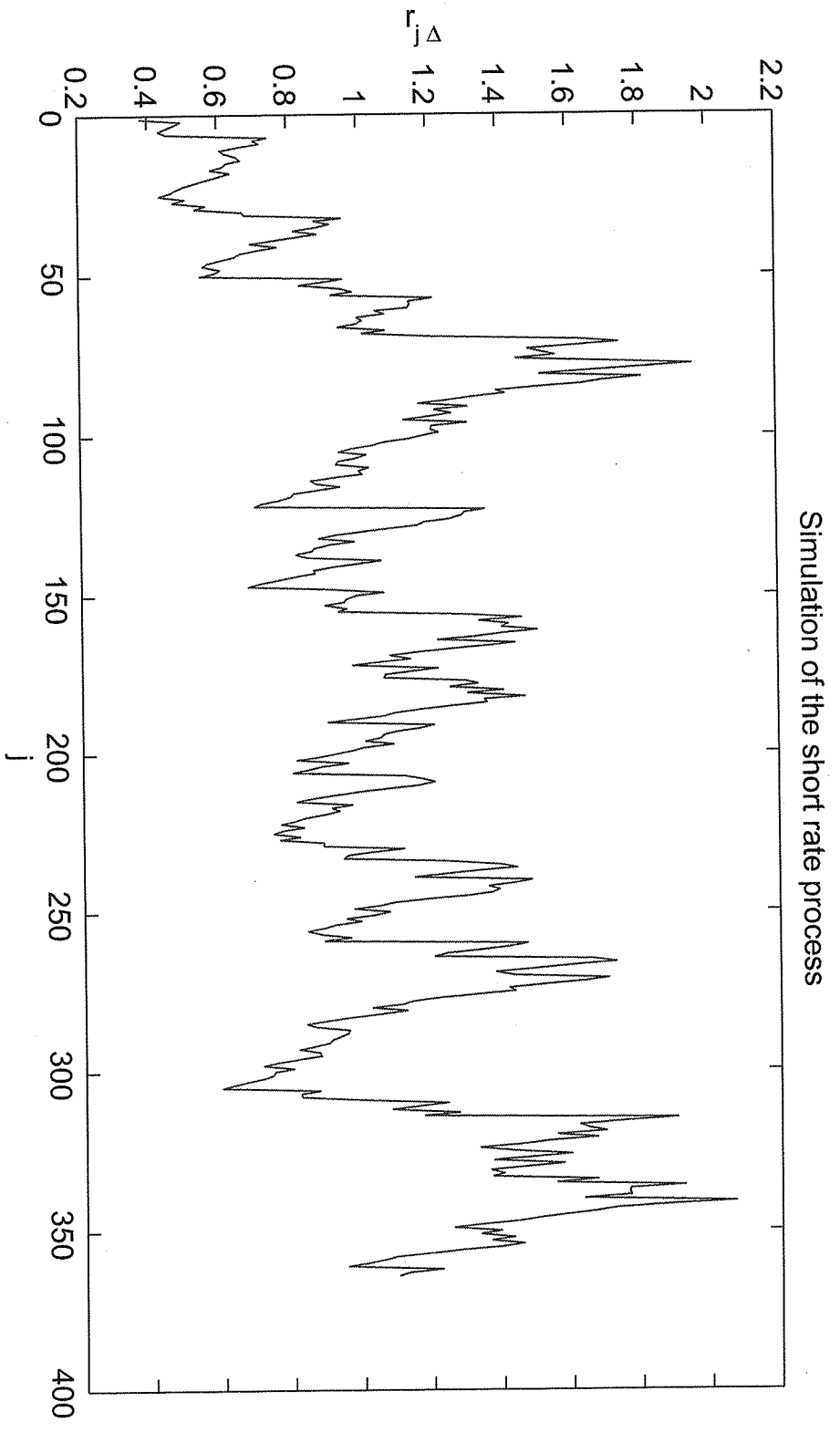


Figure 3. Simulation of r with $(\sigma, a) = (0.1, 0.1)$ and $(\delta, \gamma) = (1, 10)$.

WHAT REMAINS TO BE ADDRESSED

- (I) Application and use of this talk's approach and results to
- **exotics** valuation and hedging
 - on **calibration** to liquid instruments.

As a small but necessary step in this direction:

- How to value plain vanilla options (e.g., on LIBOR)?
- (II) How to dispose of the 'quadratic inequality' type restrictions in scenario-modelling.

VALUATION EXAMPLE, I.

- Consider the valuation of plain-vanilla call-options on time- T LIBOR with time- U payoff

$$(U-T) (\text{LIBOR}_T - \kappa)_+ .$$

- Time- t value of this call, using EMM Q , is given by

$$V_t = E^Q [B_t / B_U (U-T) (\text{LIBOR}_T - \kappa)_+ | \mathcal{F}_t] ,$$

where $B_u = \exp (\int_{[0,u]} r_s ds)$.

- **Connect** with term-structure of interest-rates (as considered in this talk) by the 'equilibrium condition'

$$1 + (U-T) \text{LIBOR}_T = 1 / P_{T,U} .$$

VALUATION EXAMPLE, II.

- **No-arbitrage dynamics** of bond values associated with a pair (σ, L) is explicitly given by

$$P_{T,U} = \frac{P_{0,U}}{P_{0,T}} \exp \left(- \int_0^T A_{s,T,U} ds + \int_0^T (-\Sigma_{s,T,U}) dL_s \right)$$

where

$$\Sigma_{s,T,U} = \Sigma_{s,U} - \Sigma_{s,T} \quad \text{with} \quad \Sigma_{s,u} = \int_0^u \sigma_{s,w} dw,$$

$$A_{s,T,U} = \vartheta_{L,s}(-\Sigma_{s,U}) - \vartheta_{L,s}(-\Sigma_{s,T}).$$

- **Time- t value in no-arbitrage form** is given by

$$V_t = \kappa^* P_{t,T} E^{Q_T} \left[(c^* - \exp(-I_{t,T}(L)))_+ \mid \mathcal{F}_t \right],$$

computed w.r.t. the T -forward measure Q_T , where

$$I_{t,T}(L) = \int_{[t,T]} \Sigma_{s,T,U} dL_s,$$

and with normalized constants

$$\kappa^* = (1 + (U - T)\kappa)c_{t,T,U} \quad \text{and} \quad c = 1/\kappa^*$$

where

$$c_{t,T,U} = (P_{0,U}/P_{0,T}) \exp \left(- \int_0^T A_{s,T,U} ds + \int_0^t (-\Sigma_{s,T,U}) dL_s \right).$$

VALUATION EXAMPLE, III.

- **Idea:** Express V_t as a series in terms of higher derivatives of $\text{MG}_L(z) = E^P[\exp(zL_1)]$.

- **Step 1 Reduction series** in terms of the integral order moments of $I_{t,T} = \int_{[t,T]} \Sigma_{s,T,U} dL_s$, typically:

$$V_t = \kappa^* P_{t,T} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n E^{Q_T}[L_n(I_{t,T})],$$

where

$$L_n(x) = (n\text{-th Laguerre polynomial}) = \sum_{k=0}^n \alpha_{n,k} x^k$$

with $\alpha_{n,k} = (-1)^k / k! \binom{n}{k}$, and coefficients

$$a_n = \frac{\langle \phi, L_n \rangle}{\langle L_n, L_n \rangle} = \sum_{k=0}^n \alpha_{n,k} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^k \varphi(x) dx$$

exponential polynomials in $\log c^*$ on setting $\varphi(x) = (c^* - e^{-x})_+$.

- **Step 2 Application of the key lemma:** Obtain the moments of $I_{t,T}$ required in Step 1 in terms of the higher derivatives of MG_L by use (with $f(s) = z \Sigma_{s,T,U}$) of the **key lemma**:

$$E[\exp(\int_{[t,T]} f(s) dL_s) | \mathcal{F}_t] = \exp(\int_{[t,T]} \vartheta_{L,s}(f(s)) ds).$$

VALUATION EXAMPLE, IV.

- **Specialize** to the set-up of the rising-rate scenario:

$$\sigma_{s,u} = \bar{\sigma} \exp(-a(u-s)), \quad s \leq u,$$

$$L = \text{IG}(\delta, \gamma),$$

and for the parameters choose the numerical values

$$\bar{\sigma} = 0.07 \quad a = 2.5.$$

$$\delta = 0.1 \quad \gamma = 11.$$

(originally used to model a bulls' market in a stochastic volatility context ...).

- **Consider options** with $U - T = T = 6$ months and strike $\kappa = 0.75\%$ at time $t = 0$.
- **The value** V_t is then computed as

$$V_t = 0.99310695456.$$

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- **Nota Bene:** Reduction series here once more enable accuracies of some 10 decimal places after the decimal point by merely using a single digit number of their terms; in the example some 5 terms are sufficient for this.

$$\begin{aligned}V_{t,0} &= 0.9346870461459224154382685895890473 \\V_{t,1} &= 0.9311523389742785542938267191420976 \\V_{t,2} &= 0.9931070940144407853125204580811052 \\V_{t,3} &= 0.9931069564946047165452592638767005 \\V_{t,4} &= 0.9931069545929648636817671083220054 \\V_{t,5} &= 0.9931069545701668943291121395407522 \\V_{t,6} &= 0.9931069545699215313550113723309971\end{aligned}$$

HOW TO DISPOSE OF (I)-TYPE RESTRICTIONS

Current approach is via choice of EMMs as follows.

- **Step 1.** Girsanov construction of family of measures $(Q_b)_{b \in \mathbb{R}}$ with each Q_b equivalent to P on (Ω, \mathbf{F}) . This construction preserves the principal form of the talk's no-arbitrage correspondence with (MR), as witnessed by the following 3 conditions for each Q_b .
 - Q_b gives rise to a no-arbitrage correspondence for forward-rate processes as in Theorem 1; i.e.,
 - Q_b becomes EMM on adaption of the drift of (Q_b, \mathbf{F}) -dynamics of forward-rate process.
 - The resulting (Q_b, \mathbf{F}) -dynamics of the short-rate process has (MR), under integrability conditions on (σ, L) .
- **Step 2.** The realization of scenarios within each Step 1 no-arbitrage correspondence now rests solely on the choice of appropriate Q_b . Given (σ, L) and $\varepsilon \geq 0$ we show in particular
 - existence of maximal b_ε^* such that: the Theorem 4 type **rising-rate scenarios with** (P_ε) hold on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{F}, Q_b)$ for every $b \leq b_\varepsilon^*$.
- **Step 3.** Our methods for working with the models (e.g., reduction series) extend to the Step 1 and 2 framework.

HOPEFULLY TO BE CONTINUED

by further developing applications of this talk's approach to

- exotic fixed-income derivatives and their
- valuation and hedging.