Rating based Lévy Libor model

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Modeling of credit risk in market models

- in mathematical finance defaultable interest rate models are often obtained by adding the defaultable term structure to the existing default-free term structure models in an appropriate way
- various defaultable extensions of the Heath–Jarrow–Morton (HJM) modeling methodology are found in the literature, whereas credit risk in Libor market models is far less studied (only papers by Lotz and Schlögl (2000), Schönbucher (2000), Eberlein, Kluge, and Schönbucher (2006))
- none of the existing defaultable Libor market models incorporates ratings and credit migration

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$$B_{C}(t, T_{k}) = \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} B_{i}(t, T_{k}) \mathbf{1}_{\{C_{t}=i\}} + q_{C_{\tau-}} B(t, T_{k}) \mathbf{1}_{\{C_{t}=K\}}$$

We have $B_i(T_k, T_k) = 1$, for all *i*.

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The process *C* is a *conditional Markov chain* relative to \mathbb{F} , i.e. for every $0 \le t \le s$ and any function $h : \mathcal{K} \to \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}}[h(C_s)|\mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{F}_t^C] = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}}[h(C_s)|\mathcal{F}_t \vee \sigma(C_t)],$$

where $\mathbb{F}^{C} = (\mathcal{F}_{t}^{C})$ denotes the filtration generated by *C*.

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But this follows easily from property

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}}[\mathbf{1}_B|\mathcal{F}_s] = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{T^*}}[\mathbf{1}_B|\mathcal{F}_t], \qquad t \leq s, B \in \mathcal{F}_t^C,$$

which is proved as a consequence of the canonical construction.

Risk-free Lévy Libor model

(Eberlein and Özkan, 2005)

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_{T^*}, \mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{0 \le t \le T^*}, \mathbb{P}_{T^*})$ be a complete stochastic basis.

- as driving process take a time-inhomogeneous Lévy process X = (X¹,...,X^d) whose Lévy measures satisfy certain integrability conditions
- X is a special semimartingale with canonical decomposition

$$X_t = \int_0^t b_s \mathrm{d}s + \int_0^t \sqrt{c_s} \mathrm{d}W_s^{T^*} + \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} X(\mu - \nu^{T^*})(\mathrm{d}s, \mathrm{d}x),$$

where W^{T^*} denotes a \mathbb{P}_{T^*} -standard Brownian motion and μ is the random measure of jumps of X with \mathbb{P}_{T^*} -compensator ν^{T^*} . We assume that b = 0.

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$$\nu^{T_{k+1}}(\mathrm{d} s,\mathrm{d} x)=\prod_{l=k+1}^{n-1}\left(\frac{\delta_l L(s-,T_l)}{1+\delta_l L(s-,T_l)}(e^{\langle\sigma(s,T_l),x\rangle}-1)+1\right)\nu^{T^*}(\mathrm{d} s,\mathrm{d} x).$$

The drift term $b^{L}(s, T_{k})$ is chosen such that $L(\cdot, T_{k})$ becomes a $\mathbb{P}_{T_{k+1}}$ -martingale.

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for each tenor date $T_k \mathbb{Q}_{T_k}$ is obtained from \mathbb{Q}_{T^*} in the same way as \mathbb{P}_{T_k} from \mathbb{P}_{T^*} (k = 1, ..., n-1)

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The (\mathcal{H}) -hypothesis holds under all \mathbb{Q}_{T_k} , i.e. every $(\mathbb{F}, \mathbb{Q}_{T_k})$ -local martingale is a $(\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{Q}_{T_k})$ -local martingale.

Rating-dependent Libor rates

• The forward Libor rate for credit rating class *i*

$$L_i(t, T_k) := \frac{1}{\delta_k} \left(\frac{B_i(t, T_k)}{B_i(t, T_{k+1})} - 1 \right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, K - 1$$

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• The corresponding discrete-tenor forward inter-rating spreads

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Idea: model $H_j(\cdot, T_k)$ as exponential semimartingales and thus ensure automatically the *monotonicity* of Libor rates w.r.t. the credit rating:

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Pre-default term structure of rating-dependent Libor rates

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(2)

with initial condition

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$$1+\delta_k L_i(t,T_k)=(1+\delta_k L(t,T_k))\prod_{j=1}^i(1+\delta_k H_j(t,T_k)).$$

Theorem

Assume that $L(\cdot, T_k)$ and $H_i(\cdot, T_k)$ are given by (1) and (2). Then:

(a) The rating-dependent forward Libor rates satisfy for every T_k and $t \leq T_k$

 $L(t,T_k) \leq L_1(t,T_k) \leq \cdots \leq L_{K-1}(t,T_k),$

i.e. Libor rates are monotone with respect to credit ratings.

(b) The dynamics of the Libor rate $L_i(\cdot, T_k)$ under $\mathbb{P}_{T_{k+1}}$ is given by

$$\begin{split} L_i(t,T_k) &= L_i(0,T_k) \exp\left(\int_0^t b^{L_i}(s,T_k) \mathrm{d}s + \int_0^t \sqrt{c_s} \sigma_i(s,T_k) \mathrm{d}W_s^{T_{k+1}} \right. \\ &+ \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} S_i(s,x,T_k) (\mu - \nu^{T_{k+1}}) (\mathrm{d}s,\mathrm{d}x) \right), \end{split}$$

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where

$$\sigma_i(s, T_k) := \ell_i(s-, T_k)^{-1} \Big(\ell_{i-1}(s-, T_k) \sigma_{i-1}(s, T_k) + h_i(s-, T_k) \gamma_i(s, T_k) \Big)$$

= $\ell_i(s-, T_k)^{-1} \Big[\ell(s-, T_k) \sigma(s, T_k) + \sum_{j=1}^i h_j(s-, T_k) \gamma_j(s, T_k) \Big]$

represents the volatility of the Brownian part and

$$S_i(s, x, T_k) := \ln \left(1 + \ell_i(s - T_k)^{-1} (\beta_i(s, x, T_k) - 1) \right)$$

controls the jump size. Here we set

$$egin{aligned} h_i(m{s}, T_k) &:= rac{\delta_k H_i(m{s}, T_k)}{1 + \delta_k H_i(m{s}, T_k)}, \ \ell_i(m{s}, T_k) &:= rac{\delta_k L_i(m{s}, T_k)}{1 + \delta_k L_i(m{s}, T_k)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

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Default-freeRating i - 1Rating iFigure:Connection between subsequent Libor rates

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Note that this specification is consistent with the definition of H_i which implies the following connection of bond prices and inter-rating spreads:

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and relation

$$\frac{B_i(t,T_k)}{B(t,T_k)}=\frac{B_1(t,T_k)}{B(t,T_k)}\prod_{j=2}^{\prime}\frac{B_j(t,T_k)}{B_{j-1}(t,T_k)}.$$

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Lemma

Let T_k be a tenor date and assume that $H_j(\cdot, T_k)$ are given by (2). The process $\mathbb{H}(\cdot, T_k, i)$ has the following dynamics under \mathbb{P}_{T_k}

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{H}(t,T_k,i) &= \mathbb{H}(0,T_k,i) \\ &\times \mathcal{E}_t \Biggl(\int_0^{\cdot} b^{\mathbb{H}}(s,T_k,i) \mathrm{d}s - \int_0^{\cdot} \sqrt{c_s} \sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} h_j(s-,T_l) \gamma_j(s,T_l) \mathrm{d}W_s^{T_k} \\ &+ \int_0^{\cdot} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \left(\prod_{j=1}^i \prod_{l=1}^{k-1} \left(1 + h_j(s-,T_l) (\boldsymbol{e}^{\langle \gamma_j(s,T_l), x \rangle} - 1) \right)^{-1} - 1 \right) \\ &\times (\mu - \nu^{T_k}) (\mathrm{d}s,\mathrm{d}x) \Biggr), \end{split}$$

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Sketch of the proof: Use the fact that the jump times of the conditional Markov chain *C* do not coincide with the jumps of any \mathbb{F} -adapted semimartingale, use martingales related to the indicator processes $\mathbf{1}_{\{C_l=i\}}, i \in \mathcal{K}$, and stochastic calculus for semimartingales.

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The defaultable Libor rate $L_C(\cdot, T_k)$ is a martingale with respect to $\mathbb{Q}_{C, T_{k+1}}$ and

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbb{Q}_{C,T_k}}{\mathrm{d}\mathbb{Q}_{C,T_{k+1}}}\bigg|_{\mathcal{G}_t}=\frac{B_C(0,T_{k+1})}{B_C(0,T_k)}(1+\delta_k L_C(t,T_k)).$$

Pricing problems I: Defaultable bond

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$$C_t(T_k, K) = \delta_k B_C(t, T_{k+1}) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{C, T_{k+1}}}[(L_C(T_k, T_k) - K)^+ | \mathcal{G}_t]$$

and the price of the defaultable forward Libor rate cap at time $t < T_1$ is given as a sum

$$\mathbb{C}_{t}(K) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \delta_{k-1} B_{C}(t, T_{k}) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}_{C, T_{k}}} [(L_{C}(T_{k-1}, T_{k-1}) - K)^{+} | \mathcal{G}_{t}].$$

Concluding remarks

- this model provides a way to include credit risk with ratings in the Libor market models
- as driving processes a wide class of time-inhomogeneous Lévy processes is used
- extensions are possible to portfolio credit risk modeling (Eberlein, Grbac, Schmidt (2010))
- similar approach could be used for modeling of variations in the credit quality of the Libor contributing banks

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