

# Credit risk

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Complements and Exercises



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# Chapter 1

## Two defaults

### 1.1 Two defaults, trivial reference filtration

We assume in this section that  $r = 0$ .

Let us first study the case with two random times  $\tau_1, \tau_2$ . We denote by  $\tau_{(1)} = \inf(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $\tau_{(2)} = \sup(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ , and we assume, for simplicity, that  $\mathbb{P}(\tau_1 = \tau_2) = 0$ . We denote by  $(H_t^i, t \geq 0)$  the default process associated with  $\tau_i$ , ( $i = 1, 2$ ), and by  $H_t = H_t^1 + H_t^2$  the process associated with two defaults. As before,  $\mathbf{H}^i$  is the filtration generated by the process  $H^i$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  is the filtration generated by the process  $H$ . The  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2$  is equal to  $\sigma(\tau_1 \wedge t) \vee \sigma(\tau_2 \wedge t)$ . It is useful to note that  $\mathcal{G}_t$  is strictly greater than  $\mathcal{H}_t$ . Example: assume that  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are independent and identically distributed. Then, obviously, for  $u < t$

$$P(\tau_1 < \tau_2 | \tau_{(1)} = u, \tau_{(2)} = t) = 1/2,$$

hence  $\sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2) \neq \sigma(\tau_{(1)}, \tau_{(2)})$ .

#### 1.1.1 Computation of joint laws

A  $\mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2$ -measurable random variable is equal to

- a constant on the set  $t < \tau_{(1)}$ ,
- a  $\sigma(\tau_{(1)})$ -measurable random variable on the set  $\tau_{(1)} \leq t < \tau_{(2)}$ , i.e., a  $\sigma(\tau_1)$ -measurable random variable on the set  $\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2$ , and a  $\sigma(\tau_2)$ -measurable random variable on the set  $\tau_2 \leq t < \tau_1$
- a  $\sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ -measurable random variable on the set  $\tau_2 \leq t$ .

We note  $G$  the survival probability of the pair  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ , i.e.,

$$G(t, s) = \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > t, \tau_2 > s).$$

We shall also use the notation

$$g(s) = \frac{d}{ds} G(s, s) = \partial_1 G(s, s) + \partial_2 G(s, s)$$

where  $\partial_1 G$  is the partial derivative of  $G$  with respect to the first variable.

- We present in a first step some computations of conditional laws.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\tau_{(1)} > s) &= \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > s, \tau_2 > s) = G(s, s) \\ \mathbb{P}(\tau_{(2)} > t | \tau_{(1)} = s) &= \frac{1}{g(s)} (\partial_1 G(s, t) + \partial_2 G(t, s)), \text{ for } t > s \end{aligned}$$

- We also compute conditional expectation in the filtration  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{H}^1 \vee \mathbf{H}^2$ : For  $t < T$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_{(1)} | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2) &= \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_{(1)}} \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_{(1)})}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_{(1)})} = \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_{(1)}} \frac{G(T, T)}{G(t, t)} \\
\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2) &= \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_1} \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \mathcal{H}_t^2)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1 | \mathcal{H}_t^2)} + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 < t} \\
&= \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_1} \left( \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_2} \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1, t < \tau_2)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1, t < \tau_2)} + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 \leq t} \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1 | \tau_2)} \right) + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 < t} \\
&= \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_1} \left( \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_2} \frac{G(T, t)}{G(t, t)} + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 < t} \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1 | \tau_2)} \right) + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 < t} \\
\mathbb{P}(\tau_{(2)} \leq T | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2) &= \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_{(1)}} \frac{\mathbb{P}(t \leq \tau_{(1)} < \tau_{(2)} < T)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_{(1)})} + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2} \frac{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_2 < T | \tau_1)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_2 | \tau_1)} \\
&\quad + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 \leq t < \tau_1} \frac{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1 < T | \tau_2)}{\mathbb{P}(t < \tau_1 | \tau_2)} + \mathbb{1}_{\tau_{(2)} < t}.
\end{aligned}$$

- The computation of  $\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2)$  can be done as follows: the function  $h$  such that  $\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2) = h(\tau_2)$  satisfies

$$\mathbb{E}(h(\tau_2)\varphi(\tau_2)\mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 < t}) = \mathbb{E}(\varphi(\tau_2)\mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 < t}\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau_1})$$

for any function  $\varphi$ . This implies that (assuming that the pair  $(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  has a density  $f$ )

$$\int_0^t dv h(v)\varphi(v) \int_0^\infty du f(u, v) = \int_0^t dv \varphi(v) \int_T^\infty du f(u, v)$$

or

$$\int_0^t dv h(v)\varphi(v)\partial_2 G(0, v) = \int_0^t dv \varphi(v)\partial_2 G(T, v)$$

hence,  $h(v) = \frac{\partial_2 G(T, v)}{\partial_2 G(0, v)}$ .

We can also write

$$\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2 = v) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1, \tau_2 \in dv)}{\mathbb{P}(\tau_2 \in dv)} = -\frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(\tau_2 \in dv)} \frac{d}{dv} \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > T, \tau_2 > v) = \frac{\partial_2 G(T, v)}{\partial_2 G(0, v)}$$

hence, on the set  $\tau_2 < T$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(T < \tau_1 | \tau_2) = h(\tau_2) = \frac{\partial_2 G(T, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(0, \tau_2)}$$

- In the same way, for  $T > t$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_1 \leq T < \tau_2 | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2) \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2\}} = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2\}} \Psi(\tau_1)$$

where  $\Psi$  satisfies

$$\mathbb{E}(\varphi(\tau_1)\mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 \leq t < T < \tau_2}) = \mathbb{E}(\varphi(\tau_1)\Psi(\tau_1)\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2\}})$$

for any function  $\varphi$ . In other terms

$$\int_0^t du \varphi(u) \int_T^\infty dv f(u, v) = \int_0^t du \varphi(u) \Psi(u) \int_t^\infty dv f(u, v)$$

or

$$\int_0^t du \varphi(u) \partial_1 G(u, T) = \int_0^t du \varphi(u) \Psi(u) \partial_1 G(u, t).$$

This implies that

$$\Psi(u) = \frac{\partial_1 G(u, T)}{\partial_1 G(u, t)}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_1 \leq T < \tau_2 | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2) \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2\}} = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t < \tau_2\}} \frac{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, T)}{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, t)}.$$

### 1.1.2 Value of credit derivatives

We introduce different credit derivatives

A defaultable zero-coupon related to the default times  $D^i$  delivers 1 monetary unit if  $\tau_i$  is greater than  $T$ :  $D^i(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\{T < \tau_i\}} | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2)$

A contract which pays  $R^1$  if one default occurs before  $T$  and  $R_2$  if the two default occur before  $T$ :  $CD_t = \mathbb{E}(R_1 \mathbb{1}_{\{0 < \tau_{(1)} \leq T\}} + R_2 \mathbb{1}_{\{0 < \tau_{(2)} \leq T\}} | \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2)$

We obtain

$$D^1(t, T) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 > t\}} \left( \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_2 \leq t\}} \frac{\partial_2 G(T, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(t, \tau_2)} + \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_2 > t\}} \frac{G(T, t)}{G(t, t)} \right) \quad (1.1)$$

$$D^2(t, T) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_2 > t\}} \left( \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t\}} \frac{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, T)}{\partial_2 G(\tau_1, t)} + \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 > t\}} \frac{G(t, T)}{G(t, t)} \right) \quad (1.2)$$

$$CD_t = R_1 \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(1)} > t\}} \left( \frac{G(t, t) - G(T, T)}{G(t, t)} \right) + R_2 \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(2)} \leq t\}} + R_1 \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(1)} \leq t\}} \quad (1.3)$$

$$+ R_2 \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(2)} > t\}} \left\{ I_t(0, 1) \left( 1 - \frac{\partial_2 G(T, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(t, \tau_2)} \right) + I_t(1, 0) \left( 1 - \frac{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, T)}{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, t)} \right) \right\} \quad (1.4)$$

$$+ I_t(0, 0) \left( 1 - \frac{G(t, T) + G(T, t) - G(T, T)}{G(t, t)} \right) \left. \right\} \quad (1.5)$$

where by

$$\begin{aligned} I_t(1, 1) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t, \tau_2 \leq t\}}, & I_t(0, 0) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 > t, \tau_2 > t\}} \\ I_t(1, 0) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq t, \tau_2 > t\}}, & I_t(0, 1) &= \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 > t, \tau_2 \leq t\}} \end{aligned}$$

More generally, some easy computation leads to

$$\mathbb{E}(h(\tau_1, \tau_2) | \mathcal{H}_t) = I_t(1, 1)h(\tau_1, \tau_2) + I_t(1, 0)\Psi_{1,0}(\tau_1) + I_t(0, 1)\Psi_{0,1}(\tau_2) + I_t(0, 0)\Psi_{0,0}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{1,0}(u) &= -\frac{1}{\partial_1 G(u, t)} \int_t^\infty h(u, v) \partial_1 G(u, dv) \\ \Psi_{0,1}(v) &= -\frac{1}{\partial_2 G(t, v)} \int_t^\infty h(u, v) \partial_2 G(du, v) \\ \Psi_{0,0} &= \frac{1}{G(t, t)} \int_t^\infty \int_t^\infty h(u, v) G(du, dv) \end{aligned}$$

The next result deals with the valuation of a first-to-default claim in a bivariate set-up. Let us stress that the concept of the (tentative) price will be later supported by strict replication arguments. In this section, by a *pre-default price* associated with a  $\mathbb{G}$ -adapted price process  $\pi$ , we mean here the function  $\tilde{\pi}$  such that  $\pi_t \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(1)} > t\}} = \tilde{\pi}(t) \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(1)} > t\}}$  for every  $t \in [0, T]$ . In other words, the pre-default price  $\tilde{\pi}$  and the price  $\pi$  coincide prior to the first default only.

**Definition 1.1.1** *Let  $Z_i$  be two functions, and  $X$  a constant. A FtD claim pays  $Z_1(\tau_1)$  at time  $\tau_1$  if  $\tau_1 < T, \tau_1 < \tau_2$ , pays  $Z_2(\tau_2)$  at time  $\tau_2$  if  $\tau_2 < T, \tau_2 < \tau_1$ , and  $X$  at maturity if  $\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2 > T$*

**Proposition 1.1.1** *The pre-default price of a FtD claim  $(X, 0, Z, \tau_{(1)})$ , where  $Z = (Z_1, Z_2)$  and  $X = c(T)$ , equals*

$$\frac{1}{G(t, t)} \left( -\int_t^T Z_1(u) G(du, u) - \int_t^T Z_2(v) G(v, dv) + XG(T, T) \right).$$

PROOF: The price can be expressed as

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(Z_1(\tau_1)\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_1 \leq T, \tau_2 > \tau_1\}}|\mathcal{H}_t) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(Z_2(\tau_2)\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_2 \leq T, \tau_1 > \tau_2\}}|\mathcal{H}_t) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(c(T)\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau_{(1)} > T\}}|\mathcal{H}_t).$$

The pricing formula now follows by evaluating the conditional expectation, using the joint distribution of default times under the martingale measure  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  $\square$

**Comments 1.1.1** Same computations appear in Kurtz and Riboulet [?]

### 1.1.3 Martingales

We present the computation of the martingales associated to the times  $\tau_i$  in different filtrations. In particular, we shall obtain the computation of the intensities in various filtrations.

We have established that, if  $\mathbb{F}$  is a given reference filtration and  $G_t = \mathbb{P}(\tau > t|\mathcal{F}_t)$  the Azéma supermartingale admitting a Doob-Meyer decomposition  $G_t = Z_t - \int_0^t a_s ds$ , then the process

$$H_t - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} \frac{a_s}{G_{s-}} ds$$

is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale, where  $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_t = \sigma(t \wedge \tau)$ .

• **Filtration  $\mathbf{H}^i$**  We study the decomposition of the semi-martingales  $H^i$  in the filtration  $\mathbf{H}^i$ . We set  $F_i(s) = \mathbb{P}(\tau_i \leq s) = \int_0^s f_i(u) du$ . From our general result applied to the case where  $\mathbb{F}$  is the trivial filtration, we obtain that for any  $i = 1, 2$ , the process

$$M_t^i = H_t^i - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_i} \frac{f_i(s)}{1 - F_i(s)} ds \quad (1.6)$$

is a  $\mathbf{H}^i$ -martingale.

• **Filtration  $\mathbf{G}$**  We apply the general result to the case  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{H}^2$  and  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{H}^1$ . Let

$$G_t^{1|2} = \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > t|\mathcal{H}_t^2)$$

be the Azéma supermartingale of  $\tau_1$  in the filtration  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Then, the process

$$H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{a_s^{(1)}}{G_{s-}^{1|2}} ds$$

is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale with Doob-Meyer decomposition  $G_t^{1|2} = Z_t^{1|2} - \int_0^t a_s^{(1)} ds$  where  $Z^{1|2}$  is a  $\mathbf{H}^2$ -martingale. The process  $A_t^{(1)} = \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{a_s^{(1)}}{G_{s-}^{1|2}} ds$  is the  $\mathbf{H}^2$ -adapted compensator of  $H^1$ . The same methodology can be applied for the compensator of  $H^2$ . In what follows, we assume that  $G^{1|2}$  is continuous.

We now compute in an explicit form the compensator of  $H^1$  in order to establish the proposition

**Proposition 1.1.2** *The process*

$$H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{a_s^{(1)}}{G_s^{1|2}} ds$$

where  $a_t^{(1)} = -H_t^2 \partial_1 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) - (1 - H_t^2) \frac{\partial_1 G(t, t)}{G(0, t)}$  and

$$h^{(1)}(t, s) = \frac{\partial_2 G(t, s)}{\partial_2 G(0, s)}.$$

is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale.

The process

$$H_t^2 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_2} \frac{a_s^{(2)}}{G_s^2} ds$$

where  $a_t^{(2)} = -H_t^1 \partial_2 h^{(2)}(\tau_1, t) - (1 - H_t^1) \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{G(t, 0)}$  and

$$h^{(2)}(t, s) = \frac{\partial_1 G(t, s)}{\partial_1 G(t, 0)}.$$

is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale.

PROOF: Some easy computation enables us to write

$$\begin{aligned} G_t^{1|2} &= H_t^2 \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > t | \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \frac{\mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > t, \tau_2 > t)}{\mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t)} \\ &= H_t^2 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} = H_t^2 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \psi(t) \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

where

$$h^{(1)}(t, v) = \frac{\partial_2 G(t, v)}{\partial_2 G(0, v)}; \psi(t) = G(t, t)/G(0, t).$$

Function  $t \rightarrow \psi(t)$  and process  $t \rightarrow h(t, \tau_2)$  are continuous and of finite variation, hence integration by parts rule leads to

$$\begin{aligned} dG_t^{1|2} &= h(t, \tau_2) dH_t^2 + H_t^2 \partial_1 h(t, \tau_2) dt + (1 - H_t^2) \psi'(t) dt - \psi(t) dH_t^2 \\ &= (h(t, \tau_2) - \psi(t)) dH_t^2 + (H_t^2 \partial_1 h(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \psi'(t)) dt \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial_2 G(t, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(0, \tau_2)} - \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} \right) dH_t^2 + (H_t^2 \partial_1 h(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \psi'(t)) dt \end{aligned}$$

From the computation of the Stieljes integral, we can rewrite it as

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T \left( \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} - \frac{\partial_2 G(t, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(0, \tau_2)} \right) dH_t^2 &= \left( \frac{G(\tau_2, \tau_2)}{G(0, \tau_2)} - \frac{\partial_2 G(\tau_2, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(0, \tau_2)} \right) 1_{\{\tau_2 \leq t\}} \\ &= \int_0^T \left( \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} - \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{\partial_2 G(0, t)} \right) dH_t^2 \end{aligned}$$

and substitute it in the expression of  $dG^{1|2}$ :

$$dG_t^{1|2} = \left( \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{\partial_2 G(0, t)} - \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} \right) dH_t^2 + (H_t^2 \partial_1 h(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \psi'(t)) dt$$

We now use that

$$dH_t^2 = dM_t^2 - (1 - H_t^2) \frac{\partial_2 G(0, t)}{G(0, t)} dt$$

where  $M^2$  is a  $\mathbb{H}^2$ -martingale, and we get the  $\mathbb{H}^2$ -Doob-Meyer decomposition of  $G^{1|2}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} dG_t^{1|2} &= \left( \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{\partial_2 G(0, t)} - \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} \right) dM_t^2 - (1 - H_t^2) \left( \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} - \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{\partial_2 G(0, t)} \right) \frac{\partial_2 G(0, t)}{G(0, t)} dt \\ &\quad + \left( H_t^2 \partial_1 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \psi'(t) \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

and from

$$\psi'(t) = \left( \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{\partial_2 G(0, t)} - \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} \right) \frac{\partial_2 G(0, t)}{G(0, t)} + \frac{\partial_1 G(t, t)}{G(0, t)}$$

we conclude

$$dG_t^{1|2} = \left( \frac{G(t,t)}{G(0,t)} - \frac{\partial_2 G(t,t)}{\partial_2 G(0,t)} \right) dM_t^2 + \left( H_t^2 \partial_1 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \frac{\partial_1 G(t,t)}{G(0,t)} \right) dt$$

From (1.7), the process  $G^{1|2}$  has a single jump of size  $\frac{\partial_2 G(t,t)}{\partial_2 G(0,t)} - \frac{G(t,t)}{G(0,t)}$ . From (1.7),

$$G^{1|2} = \frac{G(t,t)}{G(0,t)} = \psi(t)$$

on the set  $\tau_2 > t$ , and its bounded variation part is  $\psi'(t)$ . The hazard process has a non null martingale part, except if  $\frac{G(t,t)}{G(0,t)} = \frac{\partial_2 G(t,t)}{\partial_2 G(0,t)}$  (this is the case if the default are independent). Hence, (H) hypothesis is not satisfied in a general setting between  $\mathbf{H}^i$  and  $\mathbf{G}$ .

• **Filtration  $\mathbf{H}$**  We reproduce now the result of Chou and Meyer [?], in order to obtain the martingales in the filtration  $\mathbf{H}$ , in case of two default times. Here, we denote by  $\mathbb{H}$  the filtration generated by the process  $H_t = H_t^1 + H_t^2$ . This filtration is smaller than the filtration  $\mathbf{G}$ . We denote by  $T_1 = \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2$  the infimum of the two default times and by  $T_2 = \tau_1 \vee \tau_2$  the supremum. The filtration  $\mathbf{H}$  is the filtration generated by  $\sigma(T_1 \wedge t) \vee \sigma - t_2 \wedge t$ , up to completion with negligible sets. Let us denote by  $G_1(t)$  the survival distribution function of  $T_1$ , i.e.,  $G_1(t) = \mathbb{P}(\tau_1 > t, \tau_2 > t) = G(t,t)$  and by  $G_2(t; u)$  the survival conditional distribution function of  $T_2$  with respect to  $T_1$ , i.e., for  $t > u$ ,

$$G_2(u; t) = \mathbb{P}(T_2 > t | T_1 = u) = \frac{1}{g(u)} (\partial_1 G(u, t) + \partial_2 G(t, u)) ,$$

where  $g(t) = \frac{d}{dt} G(t, t) = \frac{1}{dt} \mathbb{P}(T_1 \in dt)$ . We shall also note

$$K(u; t) = \mathbb{P}(T_2 - T_1 > t | T_1 = u) = G_2(u; t + u)$$

The process  $M_t \stackrel{def}{=} H_t - \Lambda_t$  is a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale, where

$$\Lambda_t = \Lambda_1(t) \mathbb{1}_{t < T_1} + [\Lambda_1(T_1) + \Lambda_2(T_1, t - T_1)] \mathbb{1}_{T_1 \leq t < T_2}$$

with

$$\Lambda_1(t) = - \int_0^t \frac{dG_1(s)}{G_1(s)} = - \int_0^t \frac{g(s)}{G(s, s)} ds = - \ln \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, 0)} = - \ln G(t, t)$$

and

$$\Lambda_2(s; t) = - \int_0^t \frac{d_u K(s; u)}{K(s, u)} = - \ln \frac{K(s; t)}{K(s; 0)}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_2(T_1, t - T_1) &= - \ln \frac{K(T_1; t - T_1)}{K(T_1; 0)} = - \ln \frac{G_2(T_1; t)}{G_2(T_1; T_1)} \\ &= - \ln \frac{\partial_1 G(T_1, t) + \partial_2 G(t, T_1)}{\partial_1 G(T_1, T_1) + \partial_2 G(T_1, T_1)} \end{aligned}$$

It is proved in Chou-Meyer [?] that any  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale is a stochastic integral with respect to  $M$ . This result admits an immediate extension to the case of  $n$  successive defaults.

This representation theorem has an interesting consequence: a single asset is enough to get a complete market. This asset with price  $M$ , and final payoff  $H_T - \Lambda_T$ . It corresponds to a swap with cumulative premium leg  $\Lambda_t$

**Remark 1.1.1** Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{a_s^{(1)}}{G_s^{1|2}} ds &= H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{H_s^2 \partial_1 h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2) - (1 - H_s^2) \partial_1 G(s, s) / G(0, s)}{H_s^2 h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2) + (1 - H_s^2) \psi(s)} ds \\
&= H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} H_s^2 \frac{\partial_1 h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)}{h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)} - (1 - H_s^2) \frac{\partial_1 G(s, s) / G(0, s)}{\psi(s)} ds \\
&= H_t^1 - \int_{t \wedge \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2}^{t \wedge \tau_1} \frac{\partial_1 h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)}{h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)} ds - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds \\
&= H_t^1 - \ln \frac{h^{(1)}(t \wedge \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2, \tau_2)}{h^{(1)}(t \wedge \tau_1, \tau_2)} - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds
\end{aligned}$$

It follows that the intensity of  $\tau_1$  in the  $\mathbf{G}$ -filtration is  $\frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)}$  on the set  $\{t < \tau_2 \wedge \tau_1\}$  and  $\frac{\partial_1 h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)}{h^{(1)}(s, \tau_2)}$  on the set  $\{\tau_2 < t < \tau_1\}$ . It can be proved that the intensity of  $\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2$  is

$$\frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} + \frac{\partial_2 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} = \frac{g(t)}{G(t, t)}$$

where  $g(t) = \frac{d}{dt} G(t, t)$

### 1.1.4 Application of Norros lemma for two defaults

**Norros's lemma**

**Proposition 1.1.3** Let  $\tau_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  be  $n$  finite-valued random times and  $\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \dots \vee \mathcal{H}_t^n$ . Assume that

$$P(\tau_i = \tau_j) = 0, \forall i \neq j$$

there exists continuous processes  $A^i$  such that  $M_t^i = H_t^i - A_{t \wedge \tau_i}^i$  are  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingales

then, the r.v.'s  $A_{\tau_i}^i$  are independent with exponential law.

*Proof.* For any  $\mu_i > -1$  the processes  $L_t^i = (1 + \mu_i)^{H_t^i} e^{-\mu_i A_t^i}$ , solution of

$$dL_t^i = L_{t-}^i - \mu_i dM_t^i$$

are uniformly integrable martingales. Moreover, these martingales have no common jumps, and are orthogonal. Hence  $E(\prod_i (1 + \mu_i) e^{-\mu_i A_\infty^i}) = 1$ , which implies

$$E(\prod_i e^{-\mu_i A_\infty^i}) = \prod_i (1 + \mu_i)^{-1}$$

hence the independence property. □

### Application

In case of two defaults, this implies that  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are independent, where

$$U_i = \int_0^{\tau_i} \frac{a_i(s)}{G_i^*(s)} ds$$

and

$$a_1(t) = -(1 - H_t^2) \frac{\partial_1 G(t, t)}{G(0, t)} + H_t^2 \partial_1 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2), \quad G_1^*(t) = H_t^2 h^{(1)}(t, \tau_2) + (1 - H_t^2) \frac{G(t, t)}{G(0, t)},$$

$$a_2(t) = -(1 - H_t^1) \frac{\partial_2 G(t, t)}{G(t, 0)} + H_t^1 \partial_2 h^{(2)}(\tau_1, t), \quad G_2^*(t) = H_t^1 h^{(2)}(\tau_1, t) + (1 - H_t^1) \frac{G(t, t)}{G(t, 0)}$$

are independent. In a more explicit form,

$$\int_0^{\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds + \ln \frac{h^{(1)}(\tau_1, \tau_2)}{h^{(1)}(\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2, \tau_2)} = \int_0^{\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_1 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds + \ln \frac{\partial_2 G(\tau_1, \tau_2)}{\partial_2 G(\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2, \tau_2)}$$

is independent from

$$\int_0^{\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_2 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds + \ln \frac{h^{(2)}(\tau_1, \tau_2)}{h^{(2)}(\tau_1, \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2)} = \int_0^{\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2} \frac{\partial_2 G(s, s)}{G(s, s)} ds + \ln \frac{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, \tau_2)}{\partial_1 G(\tau_1, \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2)}$$

### Example of Poisson process

In the case where  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  are the two first jumps of a Poisson process, we have

$$G(t, s) = \begin{cases} e^{-\lambda t} & \text{for } s < t \\ e^{-\lambda s} (1 + \lambda(s - t)) & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}$$

with partial derivatives

$$\partial_1 G(t, s) = \begin{cases} -\lambda e^{-\lambda t} & \text{for } t > s \\ -\lambda e^{-\lambda s} & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}, \quad \partial_2 G(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t > s \\ -\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda s} (s - t) & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}$$

and

$$h(t, s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } t > s \\ \frac{t}{s} & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}, \quad \partial_1 h(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t > s \\ \frac{1}{s} & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}$$

$$k(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t > s \\ 1 - e^{-\lambda(s-t)} & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}, \quad \partial_2 k(t, s) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t > s \\ \lambda e^{-\lambda(s-t)} & \text{for } s > t \end{cases}$$

Then, one obtains  $U_1 = \tau_1$  et  $U_2 = \tau_2 - \tau_1$

## 1.2 Cox process modelling

We are now studying a financial market with null interest rate, and we work under the probability chosen by the market. We now assume that  $n$  non negative processes  $\lambda_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $\mathbb{F}$ -adapted are given and we denote  $\Lambda_{i,t} = \int_0^t \lambda_{i,s} ds$ . We assume the existence of  $n$  r.v.  $U_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  with uniform law, independent and independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$  and we define

$$\tau_i = \inf\{t : U_i \geq \exp(-\Lambda_{i,t})\}.$$

We introduce the following different filtrations

- $\mathbb{H}_i$  generated by  $H_{i,t} = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_i \leq t}$
- the filtration  $\mathbb{G}$  defined as

$$\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_{1,t} \vee \dots \vee \mathcal{H}_{i,t} \vee \dots \vee \mathcal{H}_{n,t}$$

- the filtration  $\mathbb{G}_i$  as  $\mathcal{G}_{i,t} = \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_{i,t}$
- $\mathbb{H}_{(-i)}$  the filtration

$$\mathcal{H}_{(-i),t} = \mathcal{H}_{1,t} \vee \dots \vee \mathcal{H}_{i-1,t} \vee \mathcal{H}_{i+1,t} \vee \dots \vee \mathcal{H}_{n,t}$$

Note the obvious inclusions

$$\mathbb{F} \subset \mathbb{G}_i \subset \mathbb{G}, \quad \mathbb{H}_{(-i)} \subset \mathbb{G} = \mathbb{G}_i \vee \mathbb{H}_{(-i)}$$

We note  $\ell_i(t, T)$  the loss process

$$\ell_i(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\tau_i \leq T} | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{P}(\tau_i \leq T | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{E}(H_{i,T} | \mathcal{G}_t)$$

and  $\tilde{D}_i(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\exp(\Lambda_{i,t} - \Lambda_{i,T}) | \mathcal{F}_t)$  the predefault price if a DZC.

**Lemma 1.2.1** *The following equalities holds*

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i) = \mathbb{E}(\exp - \sum_i \Lambda_{t_i, i}) \quad (1.8)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \exp - \sum_i \Lambda_{t_i, i}, \forall t_i \leq t, \quad (1.9)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \prod_i \mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t | \mathcal{F}_t), \forall t_i \leq t, \forall i \quad (1.10)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \mathbb{E}(\exp - \sum_i \Lambda_{t_i, i} | \mathcal{F}_t), \forall t_i, \quad (1.11)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{G}_t) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t)}{\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t)} \text{ on the set } \tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i \quad (1.12)$$

PROOF: From the definition

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i) = \mathbb{P}(\exp - \Lambda_{t_i, i} \geq U_i, \forall i) = \mathbb{E}(\exp - \sum_i \Lambda_{t_i, i})$$

where we have used that  $\mathbb{P}(u_i \geq U_i) = u_i$  and  $\mathbb{E}(\Psi(X, Y)) = \mathbb{E}(\psi(X))$  with  $\psi(x) = \mathbb{E}(\Psi(x, Y))$  for independent r.v.  $X$  and  $Y$ .

In the same way,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) &= \mathbb{P}(\exp - \Lambda_{t_i, i} \geq U_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) \\ &= \exp - \sum_i \Lambda_{t_i, i} \end{aligned}$$

where we have used that  $\mathbb{E}(\Psi(X, Y) | X) = \psi(X)$  with  $\psi(x) = \mathbb{E}(\Psi(x, Y))$  for independent r.v.'s  $X$  and  $Y$ , and that the  $\Lambda_{t_i, i}$  are  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable for  $t_i \leq t$ .

**Lemma 1.2.2** (a) *Any bounded  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale.*

(b) *Any bounded  $\mathbb{G}_i$ -martingale is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale*

PROOF: (a) Using the characterisation of conditional expectation, one has to check that

$$\mathbb{E}(\eta | \mathcal{F}_t) = \mathbb{E}(\eta | \mathcal{F}_\infty)$$

for any  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -measurable r.v. It suffices to prove the equality for

$$\eta = F_t h_1(t \wedge \tau_1) \cdots h_n(t \wedge \tau_n)$$

where  $F_t \in \mathcal{F}_t$  and  $h_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  are bounded measurable functions. We can reduce attention to functions of the form  $h_i(s) = \mathbb{1}_{[0, a_i]}(s)$ . If  $a_i > t$ ,  $h_i(t \wedge \tau_i) = 1$ , so we can pay attention to the case where all the  $a_i$ 's are smaller than  $t$ . The equality is now equivalent to

$$\mathbb{E}(\tau_i \leq a_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \mathbb{E}(\tau_i \leq a_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_\infty)$$

By definition

$$\mathbb{E}(\tau_i \leq a_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \mathbb{E}(\exp - \Lambda_{i, a_i} < U_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_t) = \Psi(\Lambda_{i, t}; i = 1, \dots, n)$$

with  $\Psi(u_i; i = 1, \dots, n) = \prod(1 - u_i)$ . The same computation leads to

$$\mathbb{E}(\tau_i \leq a_i, \forall i | \mathcal{F}_\infty) = \Psi(\Lambda_{i, a_i}, i = 1, \dots, n)$$

(b) Using the same methodology, we are reduced to prove that for any bounded  $\mathcal{G}_t$ -measurable r.v.  $\eta$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}(\eta | \mathcal{G}_{i, t}) = \mathbb{E}(\eta | \mathcal{G}_{(i, \infty)})$$

or even only that

$$\mathbb{E}(\eta_1 \eta_2 | \mathcal{G}_{i,t}) = \mathbb{E}(\eta_1 \eta_2 | \mathcal{G}_{(i,\infty)})$$

for  $\eta_1 \in \mathcal{G}_{i,t}$  and  $\eta_2 \in \mathcal{H}_{(-i),t}$ , that is

$$\mathbb{E}(\eta_2 | \mathcal{G}_{i,t}) = \mathbb{E}(\eta_2 | \mathcal{G}_{(i,\infty)})$$

To simplify, we assume that  $i = 1$ . Using the same elementary functions  $h$  as above, we have to prove that

$$\mathbb{E}(h_2(\tau_2 \wedge t) \cdots h_n(\tau_n \wedge a_n) | \mathcal{G}_{1,t}) = \mathbb{E}(h_2(\tau_2 \wedge t) \cdots h_n(\tau_n \wedge a_n) | \mathcal{G}_{(1,\infty)})$$

where  $a_i < t$ , that is

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 \leq a_2} \cdots \mathbb{1}_{\tau_n \leq a_n} | \mathcal{G}_{1,t}) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 \leq a_2} \cdots \mathbb{1}_{\tau_n \leq a_n} | \mathcal{G}_{1,\infty})$$

Note that the vector  $(U_2, \dots, U_n)$  is independent from

$$\mathcal{G}_{1,\infty} = \mathcal{F}_\infty \vee \sigma(\tau_2) \vee \cdots \vee \sigma(\tau_n) = \mathcal{F}_\infty \vee \sigma(U_2) \vee \cdots \vee \sigma(U_n)$$

It follows that

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 \leq a_2} \cdots \mathbb{1}_{\tau_n \leq a_n} | \mathcal{G}_{1,\infty}) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{\exp - \Lambda_{2,a_2} \leq U_2} \cdots \mathbb{1}_{\exp - \Lambda_{n,a_n} \leq U_n} | \mathcal{G}_{1,\infty}) = \prod_{i=2}^n (1 - \exp(-\Lambda_{i,a_i}))$$

**Lemma 1.2.3** *The processes  $M_{i,t} \stackrel{def}{=} H_{i,t} - \int_0^t (1 - H_{i,s}) \Lambda_{i,s} ds$  are  $\mathbb{G}_i$ -martingales and  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingales*

PROOF: We have shown that  $M_{i,t} \stackrel{def}{=} H_{i,t} - \int_0^t (1 - H_{i,s}) \Lambda_{i,s} ds$  are  $\mathbb{G}_i$ -martingales. Now, from the lemma,  $\mathbb{G}_i$  martingales are  $\mathbb{G}$  martingales as well.

**Lemma 1.2.4** *The processes  $\ell_i(t, T)$  are  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingales and*

$$\ell_{i,t} = (1 - H_{i,t})(1 - \mathbb{E}(\exp(\Lambda_{i,t} - \Lambda_{i,T}) | \mathcal{F}_t)) + H_{i,t}$$

From the definition, the processes  $\ell_i(t, T)$  are  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingales. From Lemma

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq T, | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau_i} \frac{\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq T | \mathcal{F}_t)}{\mathbb{P}(\tau_i \geq t, | \mathcal{F}_t)} = (1 - H_{i,t}) \mathbb{E}(\exp - (\Lambda_{i,t} - \Lambda_{i,T}) | \mathcal{F}_t)$$

hence  $\ell_i(t, T) = H_{i,t} + (1 - H_{i,t}) \mathbb{E}(1 - \exp - (\Lambda_{i,t} - \Lambda_{i,T}) | \mathcal{F}_t)$

# Chapter 2

## Exercises

### 2.1 Toy Model

The proofs of the following exercises can be found in Osaka lecture notes.

**Exercise 2.1.1** Prove that the payoff  $\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau}$  can not be hedged with zero-coupon bonds.

**Exercise 2.1.2** Prove that  $H$  is a submartingale.

**Exercise 2.1.3** Assume that  $\Gamma$  is a continuous function. Then for any (bounded) Borel measurable function  $h : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , the process

$$M_t^h = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}} h(\tau) - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} h(u) d\Gamma(u) \quad (2.1)$$

is a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale.

**Exercise 2.1.4** Let  $\eta_t = \mathbb{E}_P(h(\tau) | \mathcal{H}_t)$ . Prove that

$$\eta_t = \int_0^t h(s) dH_s + (1 - H_t)g(t)$$

Prove that the martingale  $\eta$  admits a representation in terms of  $M$  as

$$\eta_t = 1 + \int_0^t \eta_{u-} \left( \frac{h(t)}{g(t)} - 1 \right) dM_u$$

**Exercise 2.1.5** Let  $h : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a (bounded) Borel measurable function. Then the process

$$\widetilde{M}_t^h = \exp(\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}} h(\tau)) - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} (e^{h(u)} - 1) d\Gamma(u) \quad (2.2)$$

is a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale.

**Exercise 2.1.6** Assume that  $\Gamma$  is a continuous function. Let  $h : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a non-negative Borel measurable function such that the random variable  $h(\tau)$  is integrable. Then the process

$$\widehat{M}_t = (1 + \mathbb{1}_{\tau \leq t} h(\tau)) \exp\left(-\int_0^{t \wedge \tau} h(u) d\Gamma(u)\right) \quad (2.3)$$

is a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale.

**Exercise 2.1.7** In this exercise,  $F$  is only continuous on right, and  $F(t-)$  is the left limit at point  $t$ . Prove that the process  $(M_t, t \geq 0)$  defined as

$$M_t = H_t - \int_0^{\tau \wedge t} \frac{dF(s)}{1 - F(s-)} = H_t - \int_0^t (1 - H_{s-}) \frac{dF(s)}{1 - F(s-)}$$

is a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale.

**Exercise 2.1.8** If  $\Gamma$  is not continuous, prove that

$$\mathbb{E}(h(\tau)|\mathcal{H}_t) = \mathbb{E}(h(\tau)) - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} e^{\Delta\Gamma(s)} (\widehat{h}(s) - h(s)) dM_s.$$

The next result suggests that this martingale property uniquely characterizes the (continuous) hazard function of a random time.

**Exercise 2.1.9** Suppose that an equivalent probability measure  $\mathbb{P}^*$  is given by formula  $\mathbb{P}^*(A) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(\mathbb{1}_A h(\tau))$  for some function  $h$ . Let  $\Lambda^* : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be an arbitrary continuous increasing function, with  $\Lambda^*(0) = 0$ . If the process  $M_t^* := H_t - \Lambda^*(t \wedge \tau)$  follows a  $\mathbf{H}$ -martingale under  $\mathbb{P}^*$ , then  $\Lambda^*(t) = -\ln(1 - F^*(t))$

**Exercise 2.1.10** Let  $M^1$  and  $M^2$  be arbitrary two  $\mathbb{H}$ -martingales under  $\mathbb{Q}$ . If for every  $t \in [0, T]$  we have  $\mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} M_t^1 = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} M_t^2$  then  $M_t^1 = M_t^2$  for every  $t \in [0, T]$ .

**Exercise 2.1.11** The dynamics of the ex-dividend price  $S_t(\kappa(s))$  on  $[s, T]$  are also given as

$$dS_t(\kappa(s)) = -S_{t-}(\kappa(s)) dM_t + (1 - H_t) \left( \frac{\int_t^T G(u) du}{G(t)} d_t \nu(t, s) - \nu(t, s) dt \right). \quad (2.4)$$

**Exercise 2.1.12** Assume that

- the savings account  $Y_t^0 = 1$
- a risky asset with risk-neutral dynamics

$$dY_t = Y_t \sigma dW_t$$

where  $W$  is a Brownian motion

- a DZC of maturity  $T$  with price  $D(t, T)$

are traded. The reference filtration is that of the BM  $W$ . We assume that  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$ .

Give the price of a defaultable call with payoff  $\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau} (Y_T - K)^+$  and the associated hedging strategy

Solution: The price of the call is

$$\begin{aligned} C_t &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau} (Y_T - K)^+ | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau} e^{\Lambda_t} \mathbb{E}(e^{-\Lambda_T} (Y_T - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t) \\ &= L_t m_t^Y \end{aligned}$$

with  $m_t^Y = \mathbb{E}(e^{-\Lambda_T} (Y_T - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t)$ . hence

$$dC_t = L_t dm_t^Y - m_t^Y L_{t-} dM_t$$

In our model,  $\lambda$  is deterministic, hence

$$m_t^Y = e^{-\Lambda_T} \mathbb{E}((Y_T - K)^+ | \mathcal{F}_t) = e^{-\Lambda_T} C_t^Y$$

where  $C^Y$  is the price of a call in the Black Scholes model. This quantity is  $C_t^Y = C^Y(t, Y_t)$  and satisfies  $dC_t^Y = \Delta_t dY_t$  where  $\Delta_t$  is the Delta-hedge ( $\Delta_t = \partial_y C^Y(t, Y_t)$ ).

$$C_t = \mathbb{1}_{t < \tau} e^{\Lambda t} e^{-\Lambda T} C^Y(t, Y_t) = L_t e^{-\Lambda T} C^Y(t, Y_t) = D(t, T) C^Y(t, Y_t)$$

From

$$C_t = D(t, T) C^Y(t, Y_t)$$

we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} dC_t &= e^{-\Lambda T} (L_t dC^Y + C^Y dL_t) = e^{-\Lambda T} (L_t \Delta_t dY_t - C^Y L_t dM_t) \\ &= e^{-\Lambda T} (L_t \Delta_t dY_t - C^Y L_t dM_t) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, using that  $dD(t, T) = m_t dM_t = -e^{-\Lambda T} L_t dM_t$  we get

$$dC_t = e^{-\Lambda T} L_t \Delta_t dY_t - C^Y dD(t, T) = e^{-\Lambda T} L_t \Delta_t dY_t + \frac{C_t}{D(t, T)} dD(t, T)$$

hence, an hedging strategy consists of holding  $\frac{C_t}{D(t, T)}$  DZCs.

## 2.2 Hazard Process Approach

### 2.2.1 Application of Key lemma

**Exercise 2.2.1** Assume that the process  $G$  is decreasing. Let  $\tilde{V}$  and  $R$  be  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable processes. The process

$$V_t = \tilde{V}_t \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} + R_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}}$$

is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale if and only if the process

$$v_t \stackrel{def}{=} \tilde{V}_t e^{-\Gamma t} + \int_0^t R_u e^{-\Gamma u} d\Gamma_u$$

is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale

PROOF: The direct part comes from the fact that

$$\mathbb{E}(V_t - V_s | \mathcal{G}_s) = \mathbb{1}_{\tau > t} e^{\Gamma t} \mathbb{E}(v_t - v_s | \mathcal{F}_s).$$

□

**Exercise 2.2.2** Let  $\tilde{V}$  and  $R$  be  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable processes. The process

$$V_t = \tilde{V}_t \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} + R_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}}$$

is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale if and only if the process

$$v_t \stackrel{def}{=} \tilde{V}_t e^{-\Gamma t} + \int_0^t R_u dF_u$$

is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale

PROOF: The direct part comes from the fact that

$$\mathbb{E}(V_t - V_s | \mathcal{G}_s) = \mathbb{1}_{\tau > t} e^{\Gamma t} \mathbb{E}(v_t - v_s | \mathcal{F}_s).$$

□

**Exercise 2.2.3** Let  $P$  be the price process of a claim which delivers  $R_\tau$  at default time and pays a cumulative coupon  $C$  till the default time, i.e. the discounted cum-dividend process

$$B_t^{-1}P_t + \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}}B_\tau^{-1}R_\tau + \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} B_u^{-1}dC_u$$

is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale. Let  $\tilde{P}_t$  be the predefault price of the process  $P$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{P}$  is  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable and  $P_t = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}}\tilde{P}_t$ . Let  $\alpha_t = \beta_t e^{-\Gamma t}$ . Prove that the process

$$P_t^* = \alpha_t \tilde{P}_t + \int_0^t \alpha_s dC_s + \int_0^t R_u \alpha_u d\Gamma_u$$

is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale, where  $\alpha_t = B_t^{-1}e^{-\Gamma t}$ .

Conversely, if  $\tilde{V}$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable process such that the process  $\alpha_t \tilde{V}_t + \int_0^t \alpha_s dC_s + \int_0^t R_u \alpha_u d\Gamma_u$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale, prove that (the discounted cum-dividend) process

$$B_t^{-1}\tilde{V}_t \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} + \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}}B_\tau^{-1}R_\tau + \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} B_u^{-1}dC_u$$

is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale.

PROOF: This is an application of the Key Lemma. □

## 2.2.2 Stopping times

**Exercise 2.2.4** Prove that, for any  $\mathbb{F}$ -stopping time  $\theta$ , we have:

$$\mathbb{Q}(\tau > \theta \mid \mathcal{F}_\theta) = e^{-\Gamma \theta}. \quad (2.5)$$

This lemma plays an important role while dealing with convertible bonds.

**Exercise 2.2.5** Let us be given  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $\theta$  an  $\mathbb{F}$  stopping time, valued in  $(t, T]$ . Prove the following assertions

(i) For any bounded from below,  $\mathcal{F}_\theta$ -measurable random variable  $\chi$ , we have:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau \leq \theta\}} \chi \mid \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}((1 - e^{\Gamma t - \Gamma \theta}) \chi \mid \mathcal{F}_t), \quad \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > \theta\}} \chi \mid \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} e^{\Gamma t} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(e^{-\Gamma \theta} \chi \mid \mathcal{F}_t).$$

(ii) For any bounded from below,  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable process  $Z$ , we have:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}(Z_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau \leq \theta\}} \mid \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} e^{\Gamma t} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_t^\theta Z_u e^{-\Gamma u} d\Gamma_u \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right). \quad (2.6)$$

(iii) For any  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable process process  $A$  with finite variation over  $[0, T]$ , we have:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_{t \wedge \tau}^{\theta \wedge \tau} dA_u \mid \mathcal{G}_t\right) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} e^{\Gamma t} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_t^\theta e^{-\Gamma u} dA_u \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right). \quad (2.7)$$

Proof:

(ii) It suffices to prove 2.6 for an elementary predictable process of the form  $Z_s = \mathbb{1}_{]u, v]}(s)A_u$  where  $A_u \in \mathcal{F}_u$ . For such a process, the result follows easily from part (i).

(iii) We have that

$$\int_{t \wedge \tau}^{\theta \wedge \tau} dQ_u = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} \int_{t \wedge \tau}^{\theta \wedge \tau} dQ_u = \mathbb{1}_{\{\theta < \tau\}} \int_t^\theta dQ_u + \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau \leq \theta\}} \int_t^\tau dQ_u$$

where  $Q$  is  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable. Using parts (i) and (ii), we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\mathbb{1}_{\{\tau < \tau\}} \int_t^\theta dQ_u \mid \mathcal{G}_t\right) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_\theta} \int_t^\theta dQ_u \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right)$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau \leq \theta\}} \int_t^\tau dQ_u \mid \mathcal{G}_t\right) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_t^\theta \left(\int_t^s dQ_u\right) e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_s} d\Gamma_s \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right),$$

where, by Fubini theorem,

$$\int_t^\theta \left(\int_t^s dQ_u\right) e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_s} d\Gamma_s = \int_t^\theta \int_t^s dQ_u e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_s} d\Gamma_s = \int_t^\theta e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_u} dQ_u - e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_\theta} \int_t^\theta \beta_u dQ_u.$$

Hence

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_{t \wedge \tau}^{\theta \wedge \tau} dQ_u \mid \mathcal{G}_t\right) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_t^\theta e^{\Gamma_t - \Gamma_u} dQ_u \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right),$$

and thus

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_{t \wedge \tau}^{\theta \wedge \tau} dQ_u \mid \mathcal{G}_t\right) = \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} e^{\Gamma_t} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{Q}}\left(\int_t^\theta e^{-\Gamma_u} dQ_u \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right), \quad (2.8)$$

as expected.

### 2.2.3 Multiplicative decomposition

**Exercise 2.2.6** Prove that the supermartingale  $G = Z - A$  admits a multiplicative decomposition  $G_t = C_t N_t$  where  $N$  is a martingale and  $C$  a decreasing process.

Proof: The supermartingale  $G = Z - A$  admits a multiplicative decomposition  $G_t = C_t N_t$  where  $N$  is a martingale and  $C$  a decreasing process satisfying

$$dN_t = -\frac{1}{C_t} dZ_t, \quad dC_t = -C_t \frac{1}{G_t} dA_t.$$

Hence

$$C_t = \exp - \int_0^t \frac{1}{G_s} dA_s = \exp -\Lambda_t$$

and

$$e^{\Gamma_t} \mathbb{E}(e^{-\Gamma_T} X \mid \mathcal{F}_t) = \widehat{\mathbb{E}}\left(X \frac{C_T}{C_t} \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right) = \widehat{\mathbb{E}}\left(X \exp\left(-\int_t^T \lambda_s ds\right) \mid \mathcal{F}_t\right)$$

where

$$d\widehat{Q} = L_t d\mathbb{P}, \quad dL_t = -\exp(\Lambda_t) L_t dZ_t.$$

**Exercise 2.2.7** Assume that  $G_t = N_t e^{-\Lambda_t}$  where  $N$  is a continuous martingale. Prove that  $H_t - \Lambda_{t \wedge \tau}$  is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale.

Proof: The additive decomposition of  $G$  is

$$dG_t = e^{-\Lambda_t} dN_t - N_t e^{-\Lambda_t} d\Lambda_t$$

and the result follows

### 2.2.4 Immersion

**Exercise 2.2.8** Let  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$ . Prove that  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$  if and only if  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1$  and  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1$  immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$ .

Solution: The only fact to check is that if  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$ , then  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$ , or that

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1) = \mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_\infty \vee \mathcal{H}_\infty^1)$$

This is equivalent to, for any  $h$ , and any  $A_\infty \in \mathcal{F}_\infty$

$$\mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t}) = \mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1))$$

We split this equality in two parts. The first equality

$$\mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t}) = \mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1))$$

is obvious since  $\mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t} = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t}$  and  $\mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1) = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t}$ . Now

$$\mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{t \geq \tau_1} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t}) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{G}_t) h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{P}(\tau_2 > t | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1))$$

Since  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$ , one has  $\mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{F}_t)$  and it follows that  $\mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{G}_t) = \mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1)$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(A_\infty h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{t \geq \tau_1} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t}) &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(A_\infty | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1) \mathbb{P}(h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t} | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1)) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(A_\infty \mathbb{P}(h(\tau_1) \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 > t} \mathbb{1}_{\tau_2 > t} | \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1)) \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 2.2.9** Prove that if  $\lambda$  is deterministic and  $H_t - \int_0^t \lambda_u (1 - H_u)$  is a  $\mathbb{G}$  martingale, then  $\mathbb{P}(\tau > t) = e^{-\Lambda t}$

Hint:  $E(H_t) = \int_0^t \lambda(u)(1 - E(H_u))$  leads to an ODE

**Exercise 2.2.10** Prove that if  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $H_t - \int_0^t \lambda_u (1 - H_u)$  is a  $\mathbb{G}$  martingale, then  $\mathbb{P}(\tau > t | \mathcal{F}_t) = e^{-\Lambda t}$

Hint: use the multiplicative decomposition of the supermartingale

### 2.2.5 Pricing

We work in a hazard process model with reference filtration  $\mathbb{F}$ . The pricing probability is denoted  $\mathbb{P}$ . The filtered probability space is  $(\Omega, \mathbf{F}, \mathbb{P})$ ,  $\tau$  is a strictly positive r.v.,  $H_t = \mathbb{1}_{\tau \leq t}$ ,  $\mathbf{H} = (\mathcal{H}_t, t \geq 0)$  is the natural filtration of  $H$ , (taken càd and complete),  $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}$ , and  $G_t = \mathbb{P}(\tau > t | \mathcal{F}_t)$ . There exists  $\lambda$  such that  $M_t := H_t - \int_0^t (1 - H_s) \lambda_s ds$  is a  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale. The Doob-Meyer decomposition of  $G$  is denoted  $G_t = Z_t - A_t$  where  $Z$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale and  $A$  an  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable non-decreasing process.

**Exercise 2.2.11** Assume that  $\lambda$  be deterministic and that immersion property holds.

1. Prove that  $\tau$  is independent of  $\mathbf{F}$ .
2. Let  $S$  an  $\mathbf{F}$ -adapted process which represents the price of some asset and assume that the interest rate  $(r(s), s \geq 0)$  is deterministic. We note  $\beta_t = \exp - \int_0^t r(s) ds$ .
  - (a) Compute the value  $V_t$  of an asset with payoff  $\Phi = \varphi(S_T) \mathbb{1}_{T < \tau}$ .
  - (b) Show that there is a relation between  $V_t$  and  $\Phi_t$ , the price of an asset with payoff  $\varphi(S_T)$ .

- (c) Compute the value  $D(t, T)$  of the price of a defaultable zero-coupon (with null recovery). Determine the dynamics of  $D(t, T)$ ?
- (d) We recall that a self-financing portfolio with payoff  $\xi$  is a triple of  $\mathbf{G}$ -adapted processes,  $\pi^1, \pi^2, \pi^3$  such that, if  $V_t = \pi_t^1 D(t, T) + \pi_t^2 S_t + \pi_t^3 S_t^0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} dV_t &= \pi_t^1 dD(t, T) + \pi_t^2 dS_t + \pi_t^3 S_t^0 r(t) dt \\ \xi &= \pi_T^1 D(T, T) + \pi_T^2 S_T + \pi_T^3 S_T^0 \end{aligned}$$

Prove that there exists a self-financing portfolio with payoff  $\varphi(S_T) \mathbb{1}_{T < \tau}$ . Compute  $\pi^1$ .

**Exercise 2.2.12** Let  $\Theta$  be a non-negative r.v. with cumulative distribution function  $F$ , independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$ . Let  $(\lambda_t, t \geq 0)$  be an  $\mathbf{F}$ -adapted process, taking non-negative values and  $\Lambda_t = \int_0^t \lambda_s ds$ . We define

$$\tau = \inf\{t : \Lambda_t \geq \Theta\}.$$

We assume that the interest rate is null.

1. Check that  $\tau$  is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -stopping time.
2. Compute  $G_t$  in terms of  $\Lambda$  and  $F$ . Give the Doob-Meyer decomposition of  $G$ .
3. Let  $X$  be an  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -measurable, integrable r.v.. Compute  $\mathbb{E}(X \mathbb{1}_{T < \tau} | \mathcal{G}_t)$  for  $t < T$ .
4. Prove that the process  $L$  defined as  $L_t = (1 - H_t)(1 - F(\Lambda_t))^{-1}$  is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale.
5. Find the process  $\gamma$  such that the process  $M_t = H_t - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} \gamma_s ds$  is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale.
6. Let  $Z$  be an  $\mathbf{F}$ -adapted process. A contingent claim pays  $Z_\tau$  at time  $T$ , in the case  $\tau \leq T$  (no payment if  $\tau > T$ ). Compute the price at time  $t$  of this contingent claim and give the dynamics of this price
7. let  $D(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau} | \mathcal{G}_t)$  be the price at time  $t$  of a defaultable zero-coupon with maturity  $T$ . We assume that the following assets are traded
  - an asset with price  $Y_t^0 = 1$  (i.e., the savings account, with null interest rate),
  - an asset with price following the Black-Scholes dynamics

$$dY_t = Y_t \sigma dW_t$$

where  $W$  is a Brownian motion

- A DZC with price  $D(t, T)$

- (a) Show that

$$dD(t, T) = \mu_t dm_t + \varphi_t dM_t$$

where  $m$  is a martingale that can be written as a conditional expectation and where  $\mu$  and  $\varphi$  are given in a closed form. We shall assume that  $dm_t = m_t \nu_t dW_t$ .

- (b) Write the EDP evaluation formula for the price of an asset paying  $\Phi(Y_T, H_T)$ . What is the hedging portfolio?

**Exercise 2.2.13** We assume that the interest rate is constant.

We assume that  $G$  is continuous and valued in  $]0, 1[$  and we define  $\Gamma_t := -\ln G_t$ . We assume that the process  $A$  in the Doob-Meyer decomposition of  $G$  is on the form  $A_t = \int_0^t a_s ds$ . We recall that

$$M_t := H_t - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} \frac{a_s}{G_s} ds = H_t - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} \lambda_s ds = H_t - \Lambda_{t \wedge \tau}$$

(where  $\lambda_s = \frac{a_s}{G_s}$ ,  $\Lambda_t = \int_0^t \lambda_s ds$ ) is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale. We recall that for any  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable process  $h$

$$\mathbb{E}(h_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\tau < T} | \mathcal{G}_t) = h_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau < t\}} + \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau > t\}} e^{\Gamma_t} \mathbb{E} \left( \int_t^T h_u dF_u | \mathcal{F}_t \right).$$

1. We assume that  $G$  is non-increasing.

(a) Prove that  $L_t := (1 - H_t)(G_t)^{-1}$  is a martingale and that, for any  $a > 0$ , the process

$$(1 + a)^{H_t} \exp \left( -a \int_0^t (1 - H_s) \lambda_s ds \right)$$

is a martingale. Prove that  $\mathbb{E}[(1 + a) e^{-a\Lambda_\tau}] = 1$ . Compute the law of  $\Lambda_\tau$ .

(b) Let  $\tilde{V}$  and  $Z$  be  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable processes. Prove that

$$V_t := \tilde{V}_t \mathbb{1}_{\{t < \tau\}} + Z_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau \leq t\}}$$

is a  $\mathbf{G}$ -martingale if and only if

$$\tilde{V}_t e^{-\Gamma_t} + \int_0^t Z_u e^{-\Gamma_u} d\Gamma_u$$

is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale

2. Assume that  $\tau := \inf\{t : C_t < U\}$  where  $U$  is a r.v. with uniform law on  $[0, 1]$ , independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$  and  $C$  an  $\mathbb{F}$ -adapted process, non-increasing of the form  $C_t = \exp\left(-\int_0^t c_s ds\right)$  such that  $C_0 = 1$  and  $C_\infty = 0$ .

(a) Compute  $G_t$  in terms of  $C$ .

(b) Compute the intensity of  $\tau$ .

(c) Let  $Z$  be an  $\mathbb{F}$ -predictable process and  $X$  an  $\mathcal{F}_T$ -mesurable integrable r.v.. Compute the price at time  $t$  of an asset which delivers  $Z_\tau$  at time  $\tau$  if  $\tau \leq T$ , and  $X$  at time  $T$  if  $T < \tau$ . Give the dynamics of this price.

(d) On note  $D(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau} | \mathcal{G}_t)$  le prix à la date  $t$  d'un zéro coupon soumis au risque de défaut (DZC) de maturité  $T$ . On suppose que le marché comporte

- un actif de prix  $Y_t^0 = 1$  (le savings account, de taux  $r$  nul),
- un actif de dynamique Black Scholes dont le prix suit, sous la probabilité risque neutre, la dynamique

$$dY_t = Y_t \sigma dW_t$$

où  $W$  est un mouvement Brownien; la filtration  $\mathbb{F}$  est la filtration naturelle du mouvement Brownien  $W$ .

- le DZC de prix  $D(t, T)$

i. Montrer que

$$dD(t, T) = \mu_t dm_t + \varphi_t dM_t$$

où  $m$  est une martingale que l'on caractérisera sous forme d'une espérance conditionnelle -sans expliciter le  $dm_t$ - et où  $\mu$  et  $\varphi$  seront explicités. On supposera que  $dm_t = m_t \nu_t dW_t$ .

ii. Ecrire l'EDP d'évaluation d'un produit de payoff  $\Phi(Y_T, H_T)$ . Quel est le portefeuille de couverture associé?

**Exercise 2.2.14** Assume that (H) hypothesis holds and that the  $\mathbb{F}$  martingales are continuous. Let  $M$  be a  $\mathbb{F}$  martingale Let  $a$  and  $b$  be  $\mathbb{G}$  adapted processes such that  $\int_0^t a_s dM_s$  and  $\int_0^t b_s dM_s^d$  are martingales Let  $Z_t = \int_0^t a_s dM_s + \int_0^t b_s dM_s^d$ . Then  $E(Z_t | \mathcal{F}_t) = \int_0^t E(a_s | \mathcal{F}_s) dM_s$

**Exercise 2.2.15** Assume that H hypothesis holds and that  $\mathcal{F}$  is continuous (or at least that  $F$  does not jump at time  $\tau$ )

The process  $M_t = H_t - \Gamma_{t \wedge \tau}$  is a martingale For any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , the process  $Z_t = \exp(\alpha H_t - (e^\alpha - 1)\Gamma_{t \wedge \tau})$  is a martingale Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} dZ_t &= e^{-(e^\alpha - 1)\Gamma_{t \wedge \tau}} d(e^{\alpha H_t} - (e^\alpha - 1)Z_{t-}(1 - H_{t-}))d\Gamma_t \\ &= Z_{t-}(e^{\alpha(H_t - H_{t-})})dH_t - (e^\alpha - 1)Z_{t-}(1 - H_{t-})d\Gamma_t \\ &= Z_{t-}(e^\alpha - 1)dH_t - (e^\alpha - 1)Z_{t-}(1 - H_{t-})d\Gamma_t \end{aligned}$$

## 2.3 Multidefaults

### 2.3.1 Jarrow and Yu model

Let  $\lambda, \alpha, \beta$  be given non negative numbers. Construct  $\tau_i, i = 1, 2$  such that

$$M_t^1 := H_t^1 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_1} \lambda ds$$

is an  $\mathbb{H}^1$  martingale and

$$M_t^2 := H_t^2 - \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_2} (\alpha + \beta H_s^1) ds$$

is an  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{H}^1 \vee \mathbb{H}^2$  martingale. Prove that  $M^1$  is an  $\mathbb{H}$  martingale. Let  $L$  be the martingale

$$dL = L_{t-} \gamma H_{t-}^2 dM_t^1$$

and set

$$d\mathbb{Q}|_{\mathcal{H}_t} = L_t d\mathbb{P}|_{\mathcal{H}_t}$$

Find the intensity of  $\tau_1$  under  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Compute the joint law of  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  under  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Are various immersion properties satisfied?

### 2.3.2 Norros Lemma

Let  $\tau_i$  be two default times,  $\mathbb{F}$  a reference filtration. We introduce  $(\mathcal{G}_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$  by  $\mathcal{G}_t^i = \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^i$ , and  $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  by  $\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2$ , for  $t \geq 0$ . It is further assumed that all the considered filtrations are right-continuous and completed by all the sets of  $P$ -measure zero. For any  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $G^i = (G_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$  be the *conditional survival probability* process of the default time  $\tau_i$ , defined by  $G_t^i = P[\tau_i > t | \mathcal{F}_t]$ , for all  $t \geq 0$ . There exists increasing predictable processes  $A^i$  such that  $G^i + A^i$  are  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingales. Let us define the process  $M^i = (M_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$  by:

$$M_t^i = H_t^i - \Lambda_{\tau_i \wedge t}^i \tag{2.9}$$

where the process  $\Lambda^i = (\Lambda_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$  is given by:

$$\Lambda_t^i = \int_0^t \frac{dA_s^i}{G_s^i} \tag{2.10}$$

for all  $t \geq 0$ . The process  $M^i$  is a  $(\mathcal{G}_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$ -martingale and  $\Lambda^i$  is continuous.

Let the processes  $G^i = (G_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , be continuous and such that  $G_0^i = 1$ , and assume that  $P[\tau_1 = \tau_2] = 0$  is satisfied. Prove that

- (i) the variable  $\Lambda_{\tau_i}^i$ , defined in (2.10), has standard exponential law (with parameter 1);

- (ii) if  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is immersed in  $(\mathcal{G}_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$ , then the variable  $\Lambda_{\tau_i}^i$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$ ;
- (iii) if  $(\mathcal{G}_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  are immersed in  $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ , then the variables  $\Lambda_{\tau_i}^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are independent;
- (iv) if  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is immersed in  $(\mathcal{G}_t^i)_{t \geq 0}$  and

$$P[\tau_i > t | \mathcal{F}_t] = P[\tau_i > t | \mathcal{G}_t^{3-i}] \quad (2.11)$$

hold for all  $t \geq 0$ , then the variables  $\Lambda_{\tau_i}^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are conditionally independent with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$ .

### 2.3.3 Examples

**Exercise 2.3.1** Let  $\tau_1 < \tau_2$  be two random times and  $\mathbb{F}$  a reference filtration. Prove that  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1 \vee \mathbb{H}^2$  if and only if  $\mathbb{F}$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1$  and  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1$  is immersed in  $\mathbb{F} \vee \mathbb{H}^1 \vee \mathbb{H}^2$ .

**Exercise 2.3.2** Let  $\hat{\tau}_i$  be independent random times such that  $\mathbb{P}(\hat{\tau}_i \geq t) = e^{-\hat{q}_i t}$  and set  $\tau_i = \hat{\tau}_i \wedge \hat{\tau}_3$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Show that  $H_t^1 = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_1 \leq t}$  is a Markov process in its natural filtration and in  $\mathbb{H} = \hat{\mathbb{H}}^1 \vee \hat{\mathbb{H}}^2 \vee \hat{\mathbb{H}}^3$

Setting  $q_1 = \hat{q}_1 + \hat{q}_3$ , prove that  $H_t^1 - \int_0^t (1 - H_s^1) q_1 ds$  is a martingale in  $\mathbb{H}^1$  and in  $\mathbb{H}$ . Prove that  $(H^1, H^2)$  is a  $\mathbb{H}$ -Markov process

**Exercise 2.3.3** Let  $T_1, T_2$  the first and the second jump of a standard Poisson process, with intensity equal to 1, and  $\mathbb{F}^N$  the natural filtration of the Poisson process.

1. Prove that one can write

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= \inf\{t : t \geq \Theta_1\} \\ T_2 &= \inf\{t : t \geq \Theta_1 + \Theta_2\} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Theta_i$  are independents r.v. with exponential law.

2. Prove that  $H_t^1 - \int_0^t (1 - H_s^1) ds$  is a  $\mathbb{H}^1$  martingale and a  $\mathbb{F}^N$  martingale.
3. Prove that the cumulative function of  $\Theta_1 + \Theta_2$  is  $1 - e^{-x}(1 + x)$ .
4. Prove that the intensity  $\lambda_2$  of  $T_2$  in the filtration  $\mathbb{H}^2$  (i.e. the process  $\lambda_2$  such that  $H_t^2 - \int_0^t (1 - H_s^2) \lambda_s^2 ds$  is a  $\mathbb{H}^2$  martingale) is  $\lambda_s^2 = \frac{s}{1+s}$ .
5. Prove that

$$T_2 = \inf\{t : \int_0^t \gamma_s ds \geq \Theta\}$$

where  $\gamma_s = \mathbb{1}_{s > T_1}$  and  $\Theta$  is an exponential law. Prove that  $H_t^2 - \int_0^t (1 - H_s^2) \gamma_s ds$  is a  $\mathbb{F}^N$  martingale.

### Exercise 2.3.4

We assume that

$$\tau_i = \inf\{t : \Lambda_t^{(i)} \geq \Theta_i\}$$

where  $\Theta_i$  are unit exponential r.v.s, independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$ , and  $\Lambda_t^{(i)} = \int_0^t \lambda_s^{(i)} ds$  where the processes  $(\lambda_t^{(i)}, t \geq 0)$  are non-negative and  $\mathbf{F}$ -adapted. A first to default claim pays some amount at time  $\tau = \tau_1 \wedge \tau_2$ .

1. We assume that  $\Theta_i$  are independent. Let  $\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{H}_t^1 \vee \mathcal{H}_t^2$  where  $\mathbf{H}^i$  is the natural filtration of  $H_t^i = \mathbb{1}_{\tau_i \leq t}$ . Let  $Z$  be an  $\mathbf{F}$ -adaped process. Compute  $E(Z_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau < T\}} | \mathcal{G}_t)$ .

2. Assume that the joint law of  $\Theta_i$  is known. Compute  $E(Z_\tau \mathbb{1}_{\{\tau < T\}})$  in the case where  $\lambda^{(i)}$  are deterministic and in the general case where  $\lambda^{(i)}$  are processes.
3. let  $D_i(t, T) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{1}_{T < \tau_i} | \mathcal{G}_t)$  be the price at time  $t$  of a defaultable zero-coupon bond with maturity  $T$ , on the default time  $i$ . Assuming that the r.v.s  $\Theta_i$  are independent, compute  $D_i(t, T)$ .

## 2.4 Density process

The random time  $\tau$  admits a density process if there exists a family of non-negative processes  $\alpha_t(u)$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}(\tau > u | \mathcal{F}_t) = \int_u^\infty \alpha_t(v) \eta(dv)$$

where  $\eta$  is the law of  $\tau$

**Exercise 2.4.1** Compute the Doob-Meyer decomposition of the associated Azéma supermartingale. intensity of  $\tau$

**Exercise 2.4.2** It is known that if  $X$  is an  $\mathbb{F}$ -martingale, then

$$X_t = \widehat{\mu}_t - \int_0^t \frac{d\langle X, \alpha^\theta \rangle_u}{\alpha_{u-}^\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\tau}$$

where  $\widehat{\mu}$  is an  $\mathbb{F} \vee \sigma(\tau)$ -martingale. Prove that

$$X_t = \mu_t + \int_0^{t \wedge \tau} \frac{d\langle X, G \rangle_u}{G_u} - \int_{t \wedge \tau}^t \frac{d\langle X, \alpha^\theta \rangle_u}{\alpha_{u-}^\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\tau} \quad (**)$$

where  $\mu$  is an  $\mathbb{G}$ -martingale

**Exercise 2.4.3** We assume that  $\alpha_\infty$  exists. Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  defined as

$$d\mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\alpha_\infty^\tau | \mathcal{G}_t) / \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\alpha_\infty^\tau) d\mathbb{P}$$

Prove that, under  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\tau$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$