

# Finite dimensional realizations of HJM models

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## Definitions:

$p_t(x)$  : Price, at  $t$  of zero coupon bond maturing at  $t + x$ ,

$r_t(x)$  : Forward rate, contracted at  $t$ , maturing at  $t + x$

$R_t$  : Short rate.

$$r_t(x) = - \frac{\partial \log p_t(x)}{\partial x}$$

$$p_t(x) = e^{-\int_0^x r_t(s) ds}$$

$$R_t = r_t(0).$$

# Heath-Jarrow-Morton-Musiela

**Idea:** Model the dynamics for the **entire forward rate curve**.

The yield curve itself (rather than the short rate  $R$ ) is the explanatory variable.

Model forward rates. Use observed forward rate curve as initial condition.

$Q$ -dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned} dr_t(x) &= \alpha_t(x)dt + \sigma_t(x)dW_t, \\ r_0(x) &= r_0^*(x), \quad \forall x \end{aligned}$$

$W$ :  $d$ -dimensional Wiener process

One SDE for every fixed  $x$ .

**Theorem:** (HJMM drift Condition) The following relations must hold, under a martingale measure  $Q$ .

$$\alpha_t(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} r_t(x) + \sigma_t(x) \int_0^x \sigma_t(s) ds.$$

**Moral:** Volatility can be specified freely. The forward rate drift term is then uniquely determined.

# The Interest Rate Model

$$r_t = r_t(\cdot), \quad \sigma_t(x) = \sigma(r_t, x)$$

**Heath-Jarrow-Morton-Musiela equation:**

$$dr_t = \mu_0(r_t)dt + \sigma(r_t)dW_t$$

$$\mu_0(r_t, x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}r_t(x) + \sigma(r_t, x) \int_0^x \sigma(r_t, s)ds$$

The HJMM equation is an **infinite dimensional SDE** evolving in the space  $\mathcal{H}$  of forward rate curves.

## Sometimes you are lucky!

Example:

$$\sigma(r, x) = \sigma e^{-ax}$$

In this case the HJMM equation has a **finite dimensional state space realization**. We have in fact:

$$r_t(x) = B(t, x)Z_t - A(t, x)$$

where  $Z$  solves the one-dimensional SDE

$$dZ_t = \{\Phi(t) - aZ_t\} dt + \sigma dW_t$$

Furthermore the state process  $Z$  can be identified with the short rate  $R = r(0)$ .

( $A$ ,  $B$  and  $\Phi$  are deterministic functions)

## A Hilbert Space

### Definition:

For each  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , the space  $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha, \beta}$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{H}_{\alpha, \beta} = \{f \in C^\infty[0, \infty); \|f\| < \infty\}$$

where

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta^{-n} \int_0^{\infty} [f^{(n)}(x)]^2 e^{-\alpha x} dx$$

where

$$f^{(n)}(x) = \frac{d^n f}{dt^n}(x).$$

We equip  $\mathcal{H}$  with the inner product

$$(f, g) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta^{-n} \int_0^{\infty} f^{(n)}(x) g^{(n)}(x) e^{-\alpha x} dx$$

## Properties of $\mathcal{H}$

### Proposition:

The following hold.

- The linear operator

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

is bounded on  $\mathcal{H}$

- $\mathcal{H}$  is complete, i.e. it is a Hilbert space.
- The elements in  $\mathcal{H}$  are real analytic functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  (not only on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ ).

**NB:** Filipovic and Teichmann!

# Stratonovich Integrals

**Definition** The **Stratonovich integral**

$$\int_0^t X_s \circ dY_s$$

is defined as

$$\int_0^t X_s \circ dY_s = \int_0^t X_s dY_s + \frac{1}{2} \langle X, Y \rangle_t$$

$$\langle X, Y \rangle_t = \int_0^t dX_s dY_s,$$

**Proposition:** For any smooth  $F$  we have

$$dF(t, Y_t) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} dt + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} \circ dY_t$$

## Stratonovich Form of HJMM

$$dr_t = \mu(r_t)dt + \sigma(r_t) \circ dW_t$$

where

$$\mu(r_t) = \mu_0(r_t) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\langle \sigma, W \rangle}{dt}$$

### Main Point:

Using the Stratonovich differential we have no Itô second order term. Thus we can treat the SDE above as the ODE

$$\frac{dr_t}{dt} = \mu(r_t) + \sigma(r_t) \cdot v_t$$

where  $v_t =$  “white noise”.

## Natural Questions

- What do the forward rate curves look like?
- What is the support set of the HJMM equation?
- When is a given model (e.g. Hull-White) consistent with a given family (e.g. Nelson-Siegel) of forward rate curves?
- When is the short rate Markov?
- When is a finite set of benchmark forward rates Markov?
- When does the interest rate model admit a realization in terms of a finite dimensional factor model?
- If there exists an FDR how can you construct a concrete realization?

# Finite Dimensional Realizations

## Main Problem:

When does a given interest rate model possess a finite dimensional realisation, i.e. when can we write  $r$  as

$$\begin{aligned}z_t &= \eta(z_t)dt + \delta(z_t) \circ dW(t), \\r_t(x) &= G(z_t, x),\end{aligned}$$

where  $z$  is a **finite-dimensional** diffusion, and

$$G : R^d \times R_+ \rightarrow R$$

or alternatively

$$G : R^d \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$$

$\mathcal{H}$  = the space of forward rate curves

## Examples:

$$\sigma(r, x) = e^{-ax},$$

$$\sigma(r, x) = xe^{-ax},$$

$$\sigma(r, x) = e^{-x^2},$$

$$\sigma(r, x) = \log\left(\frac{1}{1+x^2}\right),$$

$$\sigma(r, x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-s} r(s) ds \cdot x^2 e^{-ax}.$$

Which of these admit a finite dimensional realisation?

## Earlier literature

- Cheyette (1996)
- Bhar & Chiarella (1997)
- Chiarella & Kwon (1998)
- Inui & Kijima (1998)
- Ritchken & Sankarasubramanian (1995)
- Carverhill (1994)
- Eberlein & Raible (1999)
- Jeffrey (1995)

All these papers present **sufficient** conditions for existence of an FDR.

## Present paper

We would like to obtain:

- Necessary and sufficient conditions.
- A better understanding of the deep structure of the FDR problem.
- A general theory of FDR for arbitrary infinite dimensional SDEs.

We attack the general problem by viewing it as a **geometrical** problem.

# Invariant Manifolds

**Def:**

Consider an interest rate model

$$dr_t = \mu(r_t)dt + \sigma(r_t) \circ dW_t$$

on the space  $\mathcal{H}$  of forward rate curves. A manifold (surface)  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  is an **invariant manifold** if

$$r_0 \in \mathcal{G} \Rightarrow r_t \in \mathcal{G}$$

$P$ -a.s. for all  $t > 0$

# Main Insight

There exists a finite dimensional realization.

**iff**

There exists a finite dimensional invariant manifold.

## Characterizing Invariant Manifolds

**Proposition:** (Björk-Christensen)

Consider an interest rate model on Stratonovich form

$$dr_t = \mu(r_t)dt + \sigma(r_t) \circ dW_t$$

A manifold  $\mathcal{G}$  is invariant under  $r$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(r) &\in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r), \\ \sigma(r) &\in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r),\end{aligned}$$

at all points of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Here  $T_{\mathcal{G}}(r)$  is the tangent space of  $\mathcal{G}$  at the point  $r \in \mathcal{G}$ .

# Main Problem

Given:

- An interest rate model on Stratonovich form

$$dr_t = \mu(r_t)dt + \sigma(r_t) \circ dW_t$$

- An initial forward rate curve  $r_0$ :

$$x \longmapsto r_0(x)$$

**Question:**

When does there exist a finite dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{G}$ , such that

$$r_0 \in \mathcal{G}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(r) &\in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r), \\ \sigma(r) &\in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r),\end{aligned}$$

A manifold satisfying these conditions is called a **tangential manifold**.

## Abstract Problem

On the Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , we are given two vector fields  $f_1(r)$  and  $f_2(r)$ . We are also given a point  $r_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ .

### Problem:

When does there exist a finite dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  such that

- We have the inclusion

$$r_0 \in \mathcal{G}$$

- For all points  $r \in \mathcal{G}$  we have the relations

$$f_1(r) \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r),$$

$$f_2(r) \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r)$$

We call such a  $\mathcal{G}$  an **tangential manifold**.

## Easier Problem

On the space  $\mathcal{H}$ , we are given **one** vector field  $f_1(r)$ . We are also given a point  $r_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ .

### Problem:

When does there exist a finite dimensional manifold  $\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  such that

- We have the inclusion

$$r_0 \in \mathcal{G}$$

- We have the relation

$$f_1(r) \in T_{\mathcal{G}}(r)$$

**Answer to Easy Problem:**

**ALWAYS!**

Proof:

Solve the ODE

$$\frac{dr_t}{dt} = f_1(r_t)$$

with initial point  $r_0$ . Denote the solution at time  $t$  by

$$e^{f_1 t} r_0$$

Then the integral curve  $\{e^{f_1 t} r_0; t \in R\}$  solves the problem, i.e.

$$\mathcal{G} = \{e^{f_1 t} r_0; t \in R\}$$

Furthermore, the mapping

$$G : R \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

where

$$G(t) = e^{f_1 t} r_0$$

parametrizes  $\mathcal{G}$ . We have

$$\mathcal{G} = \text{Im}[G]$$

Thus we even have a one dimensional coordinate system

$$\varphi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow R$$

for  $\mathcal{G}$ , given by

$$\varphi = G^{-1}$$

### **Back to original problem:**

We are given two vector fields  $f_1(r)$  and  $f_2(r)$  and a point  $r_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ .

### **Naive Conjecture:**

There exists a two-dimensional tangential manifold, which is parametrized by the mapping

$$G : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow X$$

where

$$G(s, t) = e^{f_2 s} e^{f_1 t} r_0$$

## **Generally False!**

### **Argument:**

If there exists a 2-dimensional manifold, then it should also be parametrized by

$$H(s, t) = e^{f_1 s} e^{f_2 t} r_0$$

### **Moral:**

We need some commutativity.

## Lie Brackets

Given two vector fields  $f_1(r)$  and  $f_2(r)$ , their **Lie bracket**  $[f_1, f_2]$  is a vector field defined by

$$[f_1, f_2] = (Df_2)f_1 - (Df_1)f_2$$

where  $D$  is the Frechet derivative (Jacobian).

**Fact:**

$$e^{f_1 h} e^{f_2 h} r_0 - e^{f_2 h} e^{f_1 h} r_0 \approx [f_1, f_2] h^2$$

**Fact:**

If  $\mathcal{G}$  is tangential to  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ , then it is also tangential to  $[f_1, f_2]$ .

**Definition:**

Given vector fields  $f_1(r), \dots, f_n(r)$ , the **Lie algebra**

$$\{f_1(r), \dots, f_n(r)\}_{LA}$$

is the smallest linear space of vector fields, containing  $f_1(r), \dots, f_n(r)$ , which is closed under the Lie bracket.

**Conjecture:**

$f_1(r), \dots, f_n(r)$  generates a finite dimensional tangential manifold **iff**

$$\dim \{f_1(r), \dots, f_n(r)\}_{LA} < \infty$$

### **Frobenius' Theorem:**

Given  $n$  independent vector fields  $f_1, \dots, f_n$ . There will exist an  $n$ -dimensional tangential manifold **iff**

$$\text{span} \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$$

is closed under the Lie-bracket.

### **Corollary:**

Given  $n$  vector fields  $f_1, \dots, f_n$ . Then there exists a finite dimensional tangential manifold **iff** the Lie-algebra

$$\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}_{LA}$$

generated by  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  has finite dimension at each point. The dimension of the manifold equals the dimension of the Lie-algebra.

**Proposition:**

Suppose that the vector fields  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  are independent and closed under the Lie bracket. Fix a point  $r_0 \in X$ . Then the tangential manifold is parametrized by

$$G : R^n \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

where

$$G(t_1, \dots, t_n) = e^{f_n t_n} \dots e^{f_2 t_2} e^{f_1 t_1} r_0$$

## Main result

- Given any fixed initial forward rate curve  $r_0$ , there exists a finite dimensional invariant manifold  $\mathcal{G}$  with  $r_0 \in \mathcal{G}$  if and only if the Lie-algebra

$$\mathcal{L} = \{\mu, \sigma\}_{LA}$$

is finite dimensional.

- Given any fixed initial forward rate curve  $r_0$ , there exists a finite dimensional realization if and only if the Lie-algebra

$$\mathcal{L} = \{\mu, \sigma\}_{LA}$$

is finite dimensional. The dimension of the realization equals  $\dim \{\mu, \sigma\}_{LA}$ .

## Deterministic Volatility

$$\sigma(r, x) = \sigma(x)$$

Consider a **deterministic** volatility function  $\sigma(x)$ . Then the Ito and Stratonovich formulations are the same:

$$dr = \{\mathbf{F}r + S\} dt + \sigma dW$$

where

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad S(x) = \sigma(x) \int_0^x \sigma(s) ds.$$

The Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  is generated by the two vector fields

$$\mu(r) = \mathbf{F}r + S, \quad \sigma(r) = \sigma$$

**Proposition:**

There exists an FDR **iff**  $\sigma$  is “quasi exponential”, i.e. of the form

$$\sigma(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i(x)e^{\alpha_i x}$$

where  $p_i$  is a polynomial.

## Constant Direction Volatility

$$\sigma(r, x) = \varphi(r)\lambda(x)$$

### Theorem

Assume that  $\varphi''(r)(\lambda, \lambda) \neq 0$ . Then the model admits a finite dimensional realization if and only if  $\lambda$  is quasi-exponential. The scalar field  $\varphi(r)$  can be arbitrary.

**Note:** The degenerate case  $\varphi(r)''(\lambda, \lambda) \equiv 0$  corresponds to CIR.

# Short Rate Realizations

## Question:

When is a given forward rate model realized by a short rate model?

$$\begin{aligned}r(t, x) &= G(t, R_t, x) \\dR_t &= a(t, R_t)dt + b(t, R_t) \circ dW\end{aligned}$$

## Answer:

There must exist a 2-dimensional realization. (With the short rate  $R$  and running time  $t$  as states).

**Proposition:** The model is a short rate model only if

$$\dim \{\mu, \sigma\}_{LA} \leq 2$$

**Theorem:** The model is a generic short rate model if and only if

$$[\mu, \sigma] // \sigma$$

## “All short rate models are affine“

**Theorem:** (Jeffrey) Assume that the forward rate volatility is of the form

$$\sigma(R_t, x)$$

Then the model is a generic short rate model if and only if  $\sigma$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(R, x) &= c && \text{(Ho-Lee)} \\ \sigma(R, x) &= ce^{-ax} && \text{(Hull-White)} \\ \sigma(R, x) &= \lambda(x)\sqrt{aR + b} && \text{(CIR)}\end{aligned}$$

( $\lambda$  solves a certain Riccati equation)

### **Slogan:**

Ho-Lee, Hull-White and CIR are the **only generic** short rate models.

## Constructing an FDR

### **Problem:**

Suppose that there actually **exists** an FDR, i.e. that

$$\dim \{\mu, \sigma\}_{LA} < \infty.$$

How do you **construct** a realization?

**Good news:** There exists a general and easy theory for this, including a concrete algorithm. See Björk & Landen (2001).

## Example: Deterministic Direction Volatility

Model:

$$\sigma_i(r, x) = \varphi(r)\lambda(x).$$

Minimal Realization:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} dZ_0 = dt, \\ dZ_0^1 = [c_0 Z_n^1 + \gamma \varphi^2(G(Z))]dt + \varphi(G(Z))dW_t, \\ dZ_i^1 = (c_i Z_n^1 + Z_{i-1}^1)dt, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \\ dZ_0^2 = [d_0 Z_q^2 + \varphi^2(G(Z))]dt, \\ dZ_j^2 = (d_j Z_q^2 + Z_{j-1}^2)dt, \quad j = 1, \dots, q. \end{array} \right.$$

# Stochastic Volatility

**Forward rate equation:**

$$\begin{aligned}dr_t &= \mu_0(r_t, y_t)dt + \sigma(r_t, y_t)dW_t, \\dy_t &= a(y_t)dt + b(y_t) \circ dV_t\end{aligned}$$

Here  $W$  and  $V$  are independent Wiener and  $y$  is a finite dimensional diffusion living on  $R^k$ .

$$\mu_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}r_t(x) + \sigma(r_t, y_t, x) \int_0^x \sigma(r_t, y_t, s)ds$$

**Problem:** When does there exist an FDR?

**Good news:** This can be solved completely using the Lie algebra approach. See Björk-Landén-Svensson (2002).

# Point Process Extensions

Including a driving **point process** leads to hard problems. More precisely

- The equivalence between existence of an FDR and existence of an invariant manifold still holds.
- The characterization of an invariant manifold as a tangential manifold is no longer true.
- This is because a point process act **globally** whereas a Wiener process act **locally**, thereby allowing differential calculus.
- Including a driving point process requires, for a general theory, completely different arguments. The picture is very unclear.

## Point Processes: Special Cases

- Chiarella & Nikitopoulos Sklibosios (2003)  
Sufficient Conditions
- Tappe (2007)  
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