

Arcsine Measure and Infinite Divisibility

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I. Lévy-Khintchine representation

Characterization of ID distributions

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A $\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ is in $ID(\mathbb{R})$ iff its Fourier transform has the Lévy-Khintchine representation

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where the (Lévy) triplet (η, a, ν) is unique and such that:

- i) $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$;
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(The Lévy measure ν is not necessary a finite measure).

Definition

A stochastic processes $X = \{X(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is a *Lévy process* if:

- i) $\mathbb{P}(X(0) = 0) = 1$.
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- iii) X has *stationary increments*.
- iv) With probability one the function $t \rightarrow X(t)$ is right continuous with left limits (r.c.l.l.).

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- *Gaussian distribution* $N(\eta, \tau)$ has density

$$\varphi(x; \eta, \tau) = (2\pi\tau)^{-1/2} e^{-(x-\eta)^2/(2\tau)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Lévy measure is zero ($\nu \equiv 0$).
- $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$ is the mean and $\tau > 0$ is the variance:

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- The distribution is symmetric around zero when $\eta = 0$, i.e. $\varphi(-x; 0, \tau) = \varphi(x; 0, \tau)$.
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- *Brownian motion is the only Lévy process without jumps.*

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- *Poisson distribution* $P(\lambda)$, $\lambda > 0$, is a discrete distribution

$$p_k = \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- Gaussian part is zero ($\tau = 0$), $\eta = \lambda$ and the Lévy measure is

$$\nu(dx) = \lambda \delta_1(dx).$$

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- It has jumps of size 1 and the expected number of jumps in an interval of length t is λt .
- Several ID distributions can be constructed from the Poisson process.

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- *Every ID distribution is a limit of compound Poisson distributions.*

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- *Gamma distribution* $G(\alpha, \beta)$, $\alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0$, has density

$$g_{\alpha, \beta}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta} \mathbf{1}_{[0, \infty)}(x)$$

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Consequence of the Gaussian representation

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Let g be a real function. The following statements are equivalent:

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IV. Some known classes of ID distributions

Characterization via Lévy measure

- ω a measure on $\{-1, 1\}$, $h_{\zeta} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, $\zeta = 1$ or -1 ,

$$\nu(B) = \int_{\mathbb{S}} \omega(d\zeta) \int_0^{\infty} 1_E(r\zeta) h_{\zeta}(r) dr, \quad E \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}). \quad (18)$$

- $U(\mathbb{R})$, *Jurek class*: $h_{\zeta}(r)$ is decreasing in $r > 0$.
- $L(\mathbb{R})$, *Selfdecomposable class*: $h_{\zeta}(r) = r^{-1}g_{\zeta}(r)$ and $g_{\zeta}(r)$ decreasing in $r > 0$.
- $B(\mathbb{R})$, *Bondesson class*: $h_{\zeta}(r)$ completely monotone in $r > 0$.
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- $G(\mathbb{R})$, *Generalized type G class* $h_{\zeta}(r) = g_{\zeta}(r^2)$ and $g_{\zeta}(r)$ completely monotone in $r > 0$.
- $A(\mathbb{R})$, *Class A*, $h_{\zeta}(r)$ is an arcsine transform.

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IV. Stochastic integral representations for some ID classes

- **Next problem: integral representation for type A distributions?**
- Jurek (85): $U(\mathbb{R}) = \mathcal{U}(ID(\mathbb{R}))$,

$$\mathcal{U}(\mu) = \mathcal{L} \left(\int_0^1 s dX_s^{(\mu)} \right).$$

- Jurek, Vervaat (83), Sato, Yamazato (83): $L(\mathbb{R}) = \Phi(ID_{\log}(\mathbb{R}))$

$$\Phi(\mu) = \mathcal{L} \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-s} dX_s^{(\mu)} \right),$$

$$ID_{\log}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \mu \in ID(\mathbb{R}) : \int_{|x|>2} \log |x| \mu(dx) < \infty \right\}.$$

- Barndorff-Nielsen, Maejima, Sato (06): $B(\mathbb{R}) = Y(ID(\mathbb{R}))$ and $T(\mathbb{R}) = Y(L(\mathbb{R}))$

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IV. Class A of distributions

Stochastic integral representation

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$p, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}_+, q \in \mathbb{R}$ [Maejima, PA, Sato (11), Sato (11)].

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