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Integration by Parts and Martingale Representation for a Markov Chain

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Integration-by-parts formulas for functions of fundamental jump processes relating to a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain are derived using Bismut's change of measures approach to Malliavin calculus. New expressions for the integrands in stochastic integrals corresponding to representations of martingales for the fundamental jump processes are derived using the integration-by-parts formulas. These results are then applied to hedge contingent claims in a Markov chain financial market, which provides a practical motivation for the developments of the integration-by-parts formulas and the martingale representations.

1. Introduction

Integration by parts is at the heart of Malliavin calculus and its applications. It is deemed to be useful in mathematical finance, stochastic filtering and control as well as the theory of partial differential equations. Particularly, in mathematical finance, an integration-by-parts formula is useful in hedging contingent claims, numerical computations of Greeks, and portfolio optimization; see, for example, Benth et al. [1], León et al. [2], Imkeller [3], and Fournié et al. [4, 5], amongst others. Indeed, integration-by-parts formulas are one of the key results in a number of works on Malliavin calculus for stochastic differential equations driven by Wiener processes and jump processes. Some examples are Bismut [6], Bichteler et al. [7], Bass and Cranston [8], Norris [9], and Elliott and Tsoi [10, 11] to name a few. These authors adopted the approach to Malliavin calculus pioneered by Bismut [6], where an integration-by-parts formula was established by first considering a "small" perturbation of the original process and then compensating the effect of the perturbation by Girsanov's change of measure. For an excellent account of Malliavin calculus and its applications, one may refer to, for example, Nualart [12], Privault [13], and di Nunno et al. [14].

Markov chain is an important mathematical tool in probability theory and has vast applications in diverse fields. For example, in finance and actuarial science, there has been

an interest in pricing contingent claims under Markov chain markets; see, for example, Norberg [15] and Elliott and Kopp [16] for bond pricing in a Markov chain market, Song et al. [17] for pricing options in a multivariate Markov chain market, Elliott et al. [18] and van der Hoek and Elliott [19, 20] for pricing options in Markov chain markets, and Norberg [21] and Koller [22] for pricing insurance products in Markov chain models. In statistics, particularly in nonlinear time series analysis, Markov chain plays an important role in studying the stochastic stability and ergodicity of stochastic difference equations; see, for example, Tong [23]. Markov chain also plays an important role in stochastic filtering and control. There is a large amount of literature on the use of Markov chain and related stochastic processes in stochastic filtering and control. Some recent literature is Shen et al. [24], He and Liu [25, 26], Zhang et al. [27], He [28], Siu [29], Elliott and Siu [30], and Wu et al. [31], amongst others. The monograph by Elliott et al. [32] provided discussions on hidden Markov models and their applications in various fields such as signal processing and image processing. The monographs by Yin and Zhang [33, 34] provided discussions on the theories and applications of discrete-time and continuous-time Markov chain, respectively. A recent monograph by Ching et al. [35] presented applications of Markov chain in diverse fields such as manufacturing systems, marketing, and finance.

It appears that in the finance and actuarial science literature much attention has been given to pricing contingent claims in Markov chain markets. It seems that relatively less attention has been paid to hedging contingent claims in Markov chain markets. An integration-by-parts formula is a useful tool for hedging contingent claims. It seems that the literature mainly focuses on developing and applying integration-by-parts formulas in the cases of Wiener processes, Lévy processes, and single jump processes (see, e.g., Elliott and Tsoi [10, 11], Nualart [12], Privault [13], and di Nunno et al. [14]). An integration-by-parts formula in the case of a Markov chain seems lacking. Motivated by the hedging problem in Markov chain markets, it may be of interest to derive an integration-by-parts formula which is useful for hedging contingent claims in Markov chain markets.

In this paper, we derive integration-by-parts formulas for functions of a family of fundamental jump processes relating to a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain using the Bismut measure change approach. The formulas are derived by considering “small” perturbations to the jump intensity parameters of the fundamental jump processes, which are then compensated by Girsanov’s measure change. Using the integration-by-parts formulas, new expressions for the integrands in representations of martingales for the fundamental jump processes are derived. Firstly, we consider a function of the terminal values of the fundamental jump processes. Then, the results are extended to a function of the integrals with respect to the whole paths of the fundamental jump processes. The function of the path integrals may be considered a canonical form of a random variable which is measurable with respect to filtration generated by the whole path of the Markov chain. No infinite-dimensional calculus of variations is involved in the derivations. Indeed, only finite-dimensional calculus is adopted. The martingale representation results derived here may be useful for hedging contingent claims in the Markov chain financial market developed by Norberg [21], where the dynamics of share prices were driven by the basic martingales of the fundamental jump processes relating to a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. Section 2 describes the Markov chain, the fundamental jump processes, and the basic martingales relating to the chain. Section 3 derives the integration-by-parts formula for a function of the terminal values of the fundamental jump processes. In Section 4, the expression of the integrand in the martingale representation is obtained. The results are then extended to a function of the integrals of the whole paths of the fundamental jump processes in Section 5. An application of the martingale representation result to hedging contingent claims in the Markov chain financial market of Norberg [21] is given in Section 6. Section 7 summarizes the paper and suggests some potential topics for future research.

2. Markov Chain, Fundamental Jump Processes and Basic Martingales

The aim of this section is to present some known results in Markov chain, its fundamental jump processes and basic martingales which are relevant to the later developments.

Consider a complete probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and a finite time horizon $\mathcal{T} := [0, T]$, where $T < \infty$. Let $\mathbf{X} := \{\mathbf{X}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ be a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. As in Elliott et al. [32], we suppose that the state space of the chain \mathbf{X} is a finite set of standard unit vectors $\mathcal{E} := \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_N\}$ in \mathfrak{R}^N , where the j th component of \mathbf{e}_i is the Kronecker delta δ_{ij} , for each $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$. The space \mathcal{E} is called the canonical state space of \mathbf{X} .

To specify the probability laws of the chain \mathbf{X} , we define a family of rate matrices, or intensity matrices, $\{\mathbf{A}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ under \mathbb{P} , where, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, $\mathbf{A}(t) := [a_{ij}(t)]_{i,j=1,2,\dots,N}$. For each $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq j$ and each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, $a_{ij}(t)$ is the instantaneous transition intensity of the chain \mathbf{X} from state \mathbf{e}_i to state \mathbf{e}_j at time t . Note that for each $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$ and each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

- (1) $a_{ij}(t) \geq 0$, for $i \neq j$;
- (2) $\sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij}(t) = 0$, so $a_{ii}(t) \leq 0$.

We suppose here that, for each $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$, $a_{ij}(t)$ is a bounded and deterministic function of time t .

Let $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}} := \{\mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ be the \mathbb{P} -augmentation of the natural filtration generated by the chain \mathbf{X} . Note that $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ is right-continuous. Then with the canonical state space of the chain \mathbf{X} , Elliott et al. [32] obtained the following semimartingale dynamics for \mathbf{X} :

$$\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{X}(0) + \int_0^t \mathbf{A}(u-) \mathbf{X}(u) du + \mathbf{M}(t), \quad t \in \mathcal{T}. \quad (1)$$

Here $\mathbf{M} := \{\mathbf{M}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is an \mathfrak{R}^N -valued, square-integrable, $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale.

For each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$, let $J_{ik} := \{J_{ik}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, where $J_{ik}(t)$ counts the number of transitions of the chain \mathbf{X} from state \mathbf{e}_i to state \mathbf{e}_k up to and including time t . That is,

$$J_{ik}(t) := \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle. \quad (2)$$

$\{J_{ik} \mid i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N, i \neq k\}$ is called a family of fundamental jump processes relating to the chain \mathbf{X} ; $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the scalar product in \mathfrak{R}^N .

Define, for each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$, a process $M_{ik} := \{M_{ik}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ by putting

$$M_{ik}(t) := \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle d\mathbf{M}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle. \quad (3)$$

Then it is obvious from the definition that M_{ik} , $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$, are $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingales and $\{M_{ik} \mid i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N, i \neq k\}$ is called a family of basic martingales. Indeed these martingales are orthogonal, purely discontinuous, and square-integrable. Furthermore, $M_{ik}(0) = 0$.

The following lemma gives the semimartingale decomposition for J_{ik} . This result is standard (see, e.g., Elliott [36] and Elliott et al. [32]).

Lemma 1. For each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$ and each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$J_{ik}(t) = \int_0^t a_{ik}(s) \langle \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle ds + M_{ik}(t). \quad (4)$$

Proof. The proof of this lemma is standard. For the sake of completeness, we present the proof here:

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{ik}(t) &:= \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{0 < s \leq t} \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle \Delta \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle \\
 &= \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle d\mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle \\
 &= \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle \mathbf{A}(s) \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle ds \quad (5) \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle d\mathbf{M}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle \\
 &= \int_0^t a_{ik}(s) \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle ds + M_{ik}(t) \\
 &= \int_0^t a_{ik}(s) \langle \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle ds + M_{ik}(t).
 \end{aligned}$$

The last equality is due to the fact that the set of all jump times of the chain \mathbf{X} has zero “ dt ”-measure. \square

From Lemma 1 and the definition of M_{ik} ,

$$M_{ik}(t) := J_{ik}(t) - \int_0^t a_{ik}(s) \langle \mathbf{X}(s), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle ds, \quad t \in \mathcal{T}, \quad (6)$$

is an $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale. Consequently, under \mathbb{P} , $\{a_{ik}(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is the intensity process of J_{ik} .

3. Integration by Parts for Functions of Fundamental Jump Processes

In this section we first present small perturbations to the jump intensities of the fundamental jump processes and then compensate the perturbations by a Girsanov-type measure change. The integration-by-parts formula for a “suitable” function of the terminal values of the fundamental jump processes is then derived by differentiation. The techniques used to derive the integration-by-parts formula here are adapted to those used in Elliott and Tsoi [10] for deriving an integration-by-parts formula for a single jump process. It seems that the origin of these techniques may be traced back to the work of Bismut [6].

For each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$, let $\eta_{ik} := \{\eta_{ik}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ be a nonnegative, \mathbb{P} -a.s. bounded, $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable process. Then for an arbitrarily small $\epsilon > 0$, we define a small “stochastic” perturbation $a_{ik}^\epsilon(t)$ to $a_{ik}(t)$ in the direction $\eta_{ik}(t)$ by putting

$$a_{ik}^\epsilon(t) := (1 + \epsilon \eta_{ik}(t)) a_{ik}(t). \quad (7)$$

We then take

$$a_{ii}^\epsilon(t) := - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^N a_{ik}^\epsilon(t), \quad (8)$$

so that

$$\sum_{k=1}^N a_{ik}^\epsilon(t) = 0. \quad (9)$$

Note that, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, $\eta_{ik}(t) > 0$ and $\epsilon > 0$, so $a_{ik}^\epsilon(t) \geq 0$, $i \neq k$, and $a_{ii}^\epsilon(t) \leq 0$.

Define, for each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$, the jump process $J_{ik}^\epsilon := \{J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ by putting

$$J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) := \int_0^t a_{ik}^\epsilon(u) \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle du + M_{ik}(t), \quad (10)$$

where $M_{ik}(t)$ is defined in Section 2 as follows:

$$M_{ik}(t) := \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(s-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \langle d\mathbf{M}(s), \mathbf{e}_k \rangle. \quad (11)$$

By definition,

$$M_{ik}(t) = J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) - \int_0^t a_{ik}^\epsilon(u) \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle du, \quad t \in \mathcal{T}, \quad (12)$$

is an $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale. Consequently, J_{ik}^ϵ has the intensity process $\{a_{ik}^\epsilon(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ under \mathbb{P} and it is related to J_{ik} as follows:

$$J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) := J_{ik}(t) + \epsilon \int_0^t \eta_{ik}(u) a_{ik}(u) \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle du. \quad (13)$$

To simplify the notation, write $\lambda_{ik}(t) := \eta_{ik}(t) a_{ik}(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle$, for each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$ and each $t \in \mathcal{T}$. Then

$$J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) = J_{ik}(t) + \epsilon \int_0^t \lambda_{ik}(u) du. \quad (14)$$

The process J_{ik}^ϵ is called a perturbed process of the fundamental jump process J_{ik} , so we have a family of perturbed processes $\{J_{ik}^\epsilon \mid i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N, i \neq k\}$ corresponding to the family of the fundamental jump processes $\{J_{ik} \mid i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N, i \neq k\}$.

For each $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$ and each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, let

$$\theta_{ik}^\epsilon(t) := - \frac{\epsilon \eta_{ik}(t)}{1 + \epsilon \eta_{ik}(t)}. \quad (15)$$

Define, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$Z^\epsilon(t) := \sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^N \int_0^t \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(u-) dM_{ik}(u). \quad (16)$$

Consider an $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -adapted process $\Lambda^\epsilon := \{\Lambda^\epsilon(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ defined by setting

$$\Lambda^\epsilon(t) = 1 + \int_0^t \Lambda^\epsilon(u-) dZ^\epsilon(u). \quad (17)$$

Then by Elliott [37] (see Theorem 13.5 therein),

$$\Lambda^\epsilon(t) = \mathcal{Z}(Z^\epsilon)(t) = \prod_{0 < u \leq t} (1 + \Delta Z^\epsilon(u)), \quad (18)$$

where $\mathcal{Z}(Z^\epsilon) := \{\mathcal{Z}(Z^\epsilon)(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is the stochastic exponential of the process Z^ϵ ; $\Delta Z^\epsilon(t) := Z^\epsilon(t) - Z^\epsilon(t-)$.

Then, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^\epsilon(t) = \exp & \left(\sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^N \int_0^t [\ln(1 + \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(u)) - \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(u)] \right. \\ & \times a_{ik}^\epsilon(u) \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle du \\ & \left. + \sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^N \int_0^t \ln(1 + \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(u)) dM_{ik}(u) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Note that by definition $\theta_{ik}^\epsilon(t) > -1$, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, so the process $\Lambda^\epsilon := \{\Lambda^\epsilon(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is strictly positive. Furthermore, Λ^ϵ is an $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale.

A new probability measure \mathbb{P}^ϵ equivalent to \mathbb{P} on $\mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(T)$ is now defined by putting

$$\frac{d\mathbb{P}^\epsilon}{d\mathbb{P}} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(T)} := \Lambda^\epsilon(T). \tag{20}$$

The following lemma will be used to derive the integration-by-parts formula.

Lemma 2. *The \mathbb{P}^ϵ -law of J_{ik}^ϵ , $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$, is equal to the \mathbb{P} -law of J_{ik} , $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ with $i \neq k$.*

Proof. By a version of Girsanov's theorem, the process $M_{ik}^\epsilon := \{M_{ik}^\epsilon(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} M_{ik}^\epsilon(t) := & J_{ik}^\epsilon(t) \\ & - \int_0^t (1 + \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(u)) a_{ik}^\epsilon(u) \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle du, \quad t \in \mathcal{T}, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

is an $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P}^\epsilon)$ -martingale. Note that

$$(1 + \theta_{ik}^\epsilon(t)) a_{ik}^\epsilon(t) = a_{ik}(t), \tag{22}$$

so J_{ik}^ϵ has the intensity process $\{a_{ik}(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ under \mathbb{P}^ϵ . This is the same as the intensity process of J_{ik} under \mathbb{P} . \square

Remark 3. The $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P}^\epsilon)$ -martingale M_{ik}^ϵ defined in the proof of Lemma 2 is related to the $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale M_{ik} as follows:

$$M_{ik}^\epsilon(t) = M_{ik}(t) - \epsilon \int_0^t \lambda_{ik}(u) du, \quad t \in \mathcal{T}. \tag{23}$$

To simplify our notation and illustrate the main idea, we consider the situation where the chain \mathbf{X} has two states. In this case, the family of fundamental jump processes relating to the chain is $\{J_{12}, J_{21}\}$ and its corresponding perturbed processes are $\{J_{12}^\epsilon, J_{21}^\epsilon\}$.

Let $G : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ be any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function. Note that from Lemma 2 the \mathbb{P}^ϵ -law of $(J_{12}^\epsilon(T), J_{21}^\epsilon(T))$ is the same as the \mathbb{P} -law of $(J_{12}(T), J_{21}(T))$. Consequently,

$$E[G(J_{12}(T), J_{21}(T))] = E^\epsilon[G(J_{12}^\epsilon(T), J_{21}^\epsilon(T))]. \tag{24}$$

Here E and E^ϵ are expectations under \mathbb{P} and \mathbb{P}^ϵ , respectively.

Write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}(T) & := (J_{12}(T), J_{21}(T))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2, \\ \mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T) & := (J_{12}^\epsilon(T), J_{21}^\epsilon(T))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2, \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

where \mathbf{y}' is the transpose of a vector, or a matrix, \mathbf{y} .

Define the following gradient of G with respect to $\mathbf{x} := (x_1, x_2)' \in \mathfrak{R}^2$:

$$D_{\mathbf{x}}G(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}G(\mathbf{x}), \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}G(\mathbf{x}) \right)' \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \tag{26}$$

Then the following theorem gives the integration-by-parts formula.

Theorem 4. *For each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, let*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{M}}(t) & := (M_{12}(t), M_{21}(t))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2, \\ \boldsymbol{\eta}(t) & := (\eta_{12}(t), \eta_{21}(t))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Write, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$\boldsymbol{\varphi}(t) := \left(\int_0^t \lambda_{12}(u) du, \int_0^t \lambda_{21}(u) du \right)' \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \tag{28}$$

Then for any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function $G : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$,

$$E[\langle D_{\mathbf{x}}G(\mathbf{J}(T)), \boldsymbol{\varphi}(T) \rangle] = E \left[G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \boldsymbol{\eta}'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u) \right]. \tag{29}$$

Proof. By a version of Bayes' rule,

$$E[G(\mathbf{J}(T))] = E^\epsilon[G(\mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T))] = E[\Lambda^\epsilon(T)G(\mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T))]. \tag{30}$$

Differentiating both sides with respect to ϵ and setting $\epsilon = 0$ give

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Lambda^\epsilon(T) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} G(\mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T)) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \right] \\ + E \left[\Lambda^\epsilon(T) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \left\langle D_{\mathbf{x}}G(\mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T)), \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T) \right\rangle \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

It is obvious that $\Lambda^\epsilon(T)|_{\epsilon=0} = 1$ and that $\mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T)|_{\epsilon=0} = \mathbf{J}(T)$. Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Lambda^\epsilon(T) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \right] \\ + E \left[\left\langle D_{\mathbf{x}}G(\mathbf{J}(T)), \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T) \right\rangle \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{J}^\epsilon(T) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} &= \left(\int_0^T \lambda_{12}(u) du, \int_0^T \lambda_{21}(u) du \right)' = \varphi(T), \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Lambda^\epsilon(T) &= \Lambda^\epsilon(T) \\ &\times \left[\sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^2 \int_0^T \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 + \epsilon \eta_{ik}(u)} \right) \eta_{ik}(u) a_{ik}(u) I_{\{X(u)=e_i\}} du \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^2 \int_0^T \frac{\eta_{ik}(u)}{(1 + \epsilon \eta_{ik}(u))^2} dM_{ik}(u) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Lambda^\epsilon(T) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} &= - \sum_{i,k=1, i \neq k}^2 \int_0^T \eta_{ik}(u) dM_{ik}(u) \\ &= - \int_0^T \boldsymbol{\eta}'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u). \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Hence the result follows. \square

The following two integration-by-parts formulas are immediate consequences of Theorem 4.

Corollary 5. For any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function $G : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \lambda_{12}(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) dM_{12}(u) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

Proof. The result follows by putting $\eta_{21}(t) = 0$, for all $t \in \mathcal{T}$, in Theorem 4. \square

Corollary 6. For any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function $G : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \lambda_{21}(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \eta_{21}(u) dM_{21}(u) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

Proof. The result follows by putting $\eta_{12}(t) = 0$, for all $t \in \mathcal{T}$, in Theorem 4. \square

Remark 7. The integration-by-parts formula in Corollary 5 (Corollary 6) may be interpreted as an integration-by-parts formula obtained by perturbing the intensity $\{a_{12}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ ($\{a_{21}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$) along the direction η_{12} (η_{21}).

Remark 8. In Elliott and Kohlmann [38], an integration-by-parts formula for functions of jump processes was developed. Using the concept of stochastic flows, the integration-by-parts formula was derived for functions of the terminal values of jump processes. An advantage of the approach by Elliott

and Kohlmann [38] is that the integration-by-parts formula was derived without using infinite-dimensional calculus. The integration-by-parts formula for functions of the terminal values of jump processes has an important application. Elliott and Kohlmann [38] demonstrated how this integration-by-parts formula may be applied to establish the existence and smoothness of the density of a jump process. This is a key area of application of Malliavin calculus. Using the method in Elliott and Kohlmann [38], the integration-by-parts formula in Theorem 4 may be used to establish the existence and uniqueness of the densities of some stochastic processes depending on the fundamental jump processes relating to the chain. This may represent an interesting topic for future research.

Remark 9. In the Markov chain financial market of Norberg [21], the dynamics of share prices are described by the fundamental jump processes relating to a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain. The integration-by-parts formula in Theorem 4 may be used to hedge contingent claims whose payoffs depend on the terminal values of the share prices in the continuous-time Markov chain market of Norberg [21]. We will discuss this in some detail in Section 6.

4. Martingale Representation Using Integration by Parts

Martingale representation is one of the fundamental results in stochastic analysis and calculus. It has many significant applications in diverse fields such as mathematical finance, stochastic filtering, and control. A crucial question in a martingale representation is to determine the integrand in the representation. This question is of primary importance in many applications of martingale representations. The Clark-Haussmann-Ocone-Karatzas formula was developed to address this question in the case of a Wiener space (see Clark [39], Haussmann [40], Ocone [41], Ocone and Karatzas [42], and Karatzas et al. [43]). Elliott and Kohlmann [44] pioneered the use of stochastic flows to identify the integrand in a stochastic integral in a martingale representation under a Markov diffusion setting. Elliott and Kohlmann [38] extended the approach in Elliott and Kohlmann [44] to the case of a Markov jump process. Elliott and Tsoi [10, 11] adopted integration-by-parts formulas to derive integrands in martingale representations in a single jump process and a Poisson process, respectively. Aase et al. [45] adopted a white-noise approach to Malliavin calculus to establish a white-noise generalization of the Clark-Haussmann-Ocone-Karatzas formula in the cases of multidimensional Gaussian white noise, multidimensional Poisson white noise, and their combination. Di Nunno et al. [46] adopted a chaos expansion approach to Malliavin calculus to establish a white-noise generalization of the Clark-Haussmann-Ocone-Karatzas formula for Lévy processes.

In this section, we apply the integration-by-parts formula obtained in the last section to derive the integrand in a martingale representation for a function of the terminal values of the fundamental jump processes. Though the techniques to be used here are similar to those adopted in Elliott and Tsoi

[10, 11], it seems that the formulas of the integrand derived here appear to be new. Again to simplify our notation, we consider here the two-regime Markov chain presented in Section 3.

Note that the filtration $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ generated by the chain \mathbf{X} is the same as the filtration generated by the family of fundamental jump processes $\{J_{12}, J_{21}\}$. Then we state the following martingale representation result which was due to Brémaud [47].

Theorem 10. For any real-valued, square-integrable $(\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}, \mathbb{P})$ -martingale $L := \{L(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$,

$$L(T) := E[L(T)] + \int_0^T \gamma'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u), \quad (37)$$

for some \mathfrak{R}^2 -valued, $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable process $\{\gamma(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$.

Furthermore, we need the following expression for the predictable quadratic variation $\{\langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ of $\mathbf{M} := \{\mathbf{M}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, which was derived in Elliott et al. [32].

Lemma 11. Let $\mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{y}]$ be a diagonal matrix with the diagonal elements being given by the components in a vector \mathbf{y} . For each $t \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(t) = & \int_0^t \left(\mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{A}(u)\mathbf{X}(u)] - \mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{X}(u)]\mathbf{A}'(u) \right. \\ & \left. - \mathbf{A}(u)\mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{X}(u)] \right) du. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

To simplify our notation, let $\{\mathbf{f}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ be a matrix-valued process defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(t) := & \mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{X}(t)] - \mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{X}(t)]\mathbf{A}'(t) \\ & - \mathbf{A}(t)\mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{X}(t)] \in \mathfrak{R}^2 \otimes \mathfrak{R}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

Note that $\{\mathbf{f}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ is the density process of the measure $d\langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(t)$ with respect to the Lebesgue measure dt on $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T}))$ and $d\langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(t)$ is absolutely continuous with respect to dt , where $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{T})$ is the Borel σ -field generated by open subsets of \mathcal{T} .

Then

$$\langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(t) = \int_0^t \mathbf{f}(u) du. \quad (40)$$

The following lemma will be used to derive the expressions for the integrand in the martingale representation.

Lemma 12. For each $i, k = 1, 2$ with $i \neq k$, the predictable quadratic variation of M_{ik} , namely $\{\langle M_{ik}, M_{ik} \rangle(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, is given by

$$\langle M_{ik}, M_{ik} \rangle(t) = \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mathbf{e}'_k \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_k du \in \mathfrak{R}. \quad (41)$$

Proof. Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} M_{ik}(t) & := \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle d\mathbf{M}(u), \mathbf{e}_k \\ & = \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mathbf{e}'_k d\mathbf{M}(u). \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle M_{ik}, M_{ik} \rangle(t) \\ & = \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mathbf{e}'_k d\langle \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{M} \rangle(u) \mathbf{e}_k \langle \mathbf{X}(u-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \\ & = \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u-), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mathbf{e}'_k \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_k du \\ & = \int_0^t \langle \mathbf{X}(u), \mathbf{e}_i \rangle \mathbf{e}'_k \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_k du. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

The last equality follows from the fact that the set of all jump times of the chain \mathbf{X} has “ dt ”-measure zero. \square

By the martingale representation presented in Theorem 10,

$$G(\mathbf{J}(T)) = E[G(\mathbf{J}(T))] + \int_0^T \gamma'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u), \quad (44)$$

for some $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable process $\gamma := \{\gamma(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$.

It can be supposed that $E[G(\mathbf{J}(T))] = 0$ by subtraction. Then

$$G(\mathbf{J}(T)) = \int_0^T \gamma'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u). \quad (45)$$

The integrand γ is then determined in the following theorem. Though the techniques used in the proof of the following theorem are similar to those used in Proposition 3.5 of Elliott and Tsoi [11], the expressions for the integrand presented below appear to be new.

Theorem 13. Suppose that $a_{12}(t), a_{21}(t) > 0$ for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$. Then the integrand $\gamma := \{\gamma(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, where $\gamma(t) := (\gamma_1(t), \gamma_2(t))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2$, is determined by

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1(t) & = E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-) \right] \frac{a_{12}(t)}{a_{21}(t)}, \\ & \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_1\}, \\ \gamma_2(t) & = E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-) \right] \frac{a_{21}(t)}{a_{12}(t)}, \\ & \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_2\}. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Proof. We only give the proof for the integrand $\gamma_1(t)$ since the integrand $\gamma_2(t)$ can be derived similarly. Firstly, by the martingale representation for $G(\mathbf{J}(T))$, Lemma 12, and the orthogonality of M_{12} and M_{21} ,

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) dM_{12}(u) \right] \\ & = E \left[\left(\int_0^T \gamma'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u) \right) \left(\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) dM_{12}(u) \right) \right] \\ & = E \left[\int_0^T \gamma_1(u) \eta_{12}(u) d\langle M_{12}, M_{12} \rangle(u) \right] \\ & = E \left[\int_0^T \gamma_1(u) \eta_{12}(u) \mathbf{e}'_2 \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_2 I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u-) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} du \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Then using the integration-by-parts formula in Corollary 5,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\int_0^T \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \lambda_{12}(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[\int_0^T \gamma_1(u) \eta_{12}(u) \mathbf{e}'_2 \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_2 I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u^-) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} du \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

For each $u \in \mathcal{T}$, let

$$\psi(u) := \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) a_{12}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u^-) = \mathbf{e}_1\}}. \quad (49)$$

Then there exists an $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable projection $\{\psi^*(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{T}\}$ of $\{\psi(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{T}\}$ such that, for each $u \in \mathcal{T}$,

$$\psi^*(u) = E[\psi(u) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u^-)], \quad \mathbb{P}\text{-a.s.}, \quad (50)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^*(u) \\ = E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u^-) \right] a_{12}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u^-) = \mathbf{e}_1\}}, \quad \mathbb{P}\text{-a.s.} \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

Furthermore, for any $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable process $\{K(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{T}\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} E[K(u) \psi(u)] &= E[K(u) E[\psi(u) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u^-)]] \\ &= E[K(u) \psi^*(u)]. \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

Write \mathcal{H} for the family of subsets of $\mathcal{T} \times \Omega$ of the forms $\{0\} \times F_0$ and $(u, t] \times F_u$, where $F_0 \in \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(0)$ and $F_u \in \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u)$ for $0 \leq u < t \leq T$. Note that the predictable σ -field on the product space $\mathcal{T} \times \Omega$ with respect to $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ is generated by \mathcal{H} .

We now take $\eta_{12} = I_{\{0\} \times F_0}$ or $\eta_{12} = I_{(u, t] \times F_u}$, where $I_{\{0\} \times F_0}$ and $I_{(u, t] \times F_u}$ are the indicator functions of the events $\{0\} \times F_0$ and $(u, t] \times F_u$, respectively. Then the integration-by-parts formula in Corollary 5 holds for this η_{12} . Consequently, the following equality holds for all η_{12} 's which are indicators of sets in \mathcal{H} :

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \psi^*(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \gamma_1(u) \mathbf{e}'_2 \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_2 I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u^-) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} du \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

Since the set of all jump times of the chain \mathbf{X} has “ dt ”-measure zero,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \psi^*(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \gamma_1(u) \mathbf{e}'_2 \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_2 I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} du \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

On the set $\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}'_2 \mathbf{f}(u) \mathbf{e}_2 &= \mathbf{e}'_2 (\mathbf{diag}[A(u) \mathbf{e}_1] - \mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{e}_1] A'(u) \\ &\quad - A(u) \mathbf{diag}[\mathbf{e}_1]) \mathbf{e}_2 \\ &= a_{21}(u). \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Consequently, for all η_{12} 's which are indicators of sets in \mathcal{H} ,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \psi^*(u) du \right] \\ = E \left[\int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) \gamma_1(u) a_{21}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} du \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

Note that

- (1) \mathcal{H} generates the $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable σ -field on the product space $\mathcal{T} \times \Omega$;
- (2) the processes $\{\gamma_1(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{T}\}$ and $\{\psi^*(u) \mid u \in \mathcal{T}\}$ are $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^*(u) &= \gamma_1(u) a_{21}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}}, \\ &\text{for almost all } (u, \omega) \in \mathcal{T} \times \Omega. \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

Consequently, for almost all $(u, \omega) \in \mathcal{T} \times \Omega$,

$$E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u^-) \right] a_{12}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}} \quad (58)$$

$$= \gamma_1(u) a_{21}(u) I_{\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}}.$$

Then,

$$\gamma_1(u) = E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(u^-) \right] \frac{a_{12}(u)}{a_{21}(u)}, \quad (59)$$

on the set $\{\mathbf{X}(u) = \mathbf{e}_1\}$. □

5. An Extension to a Function of Path Integrals

The integration-by-parts formulas and the martingale representation developed in the previous sections are now extended to a function of the integrals with respect to the whole paths of the fundamental jump processes relating to the chain \mathbf{X} . This function may be considered a canonical form of an $\mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(T)$ -measurable random variable.

Consider an $\mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(T)$ -measurable random variable H which is of the following canonical form:

$$H := h \left(\int_0^T \eta_{12}(t) dJ_{12}(t), \int_0^T \eta_{21}(t) dJ_{21}(t) \right), \quad (60)$$

where $h : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ is any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function. Note that H depends on the whole paths of the fundamental jump processes relating to the chain \mathbf{X} ; η_{12} and η_{21} are nonnegative, \mathbb{P} -a.s. bounded, $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable processes as defined in Section 3.

We now define some notation. Write

$$\begin{aligned} I_{12}(T) &:= \int_0^T \eta_{12}(t) dJ_{12}(t), \quad I_{21}(T) := \int_0^T \eta_{21}(t) dJ_{21}(t), \\ \mathbf{I}(T) &:= (I_{12}(T), I_{21}(T))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Then

$$H = h(\mathbf{I}(T)). \quad (62)$$

The following theorem gives an extension to the integration-by-parts formula presented in Theorem 4 for the function h .

Theorem 14. For each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, let

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}_{12}(t) &:= \eta_{12}(t) \lambda_{12}(t), & \tilde{\lambda}_{21}(t) &:= \eta_{21}(t) \lambda_{21}(t), \\ \tilde{\varphi}(t) &:= \left(\int_0^t \tilde{\lambda}_{12}(u) du, \int_0^t \tilde{\lambda}_{21}(u) du \right) \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

Then

$$E[\langle D_{\mathbf{x}} h(\mathbf{I}(T)), \tilde{\varphi}(T) \rangle] = E\left[h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \int_0^T \boldsymbol{\eta}'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u)\right]. \quad (64)$$

Proof. The proof of this theorem resembles that of Theorem 4. We only give some key steps. For each $\epsilon > 0$, let

$$I_{12}^\epsilon(T) := \int_0^T \eta_{12}(t) dJ_{12}^\epsilon(t), \quad I_{21}^\epsilon(T) := \int_0^T \eta_{21}(t) dJ_{21}^\epsilon(t). \quad (65)$$

Write

$$\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T) := (I_{12}^\epsilon(T), I_{21}^\epsilon(T))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2. \quad (66)$$

By Lemma 2, the \mathbb{P}^ϵ -probability law of $\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T)$ is the same as the \mathbb{P} -law of $\mathbf{I}(T)$. Then

$$E[h(\mathbf{I}(T))] = E^\epsilon[h(\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T))] = E[\Lambda^\epsilon(T) h(\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T))]. \quad (67)$$

Differentiating with respect to ϵ and setting $\epsilon = 0$ give

$$\begin{aligned} & E\left[\left.\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Lambda^\epsilon(T)\right|_{\epsilon=0} h(\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T))\Big|_{\epsilon=0}\right] \\ & + E\left[\Lambda^\epsilon(T)\Big|_{\epsilon=0} \left\langle D_{\mathbf{x}} h(\mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T)), \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T) \right\rangle\Big|_{\epsilon=0}\right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

Then the result follows by noting that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{I}^\epsilon(T)\Big|_{\epsilon=0} = \left(\int_0^T \tilde{\lambda}_{12}(t) dt, \int_0^T \tilde{\lambda}_{21}(t) dt \right)' = \tilde{\varphi}(T). \quad (69)$$

□

Similarly, the following corollaries are direct consequences of Theorem 14.

Corollary 15. For any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function $h : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & E\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \int_0^T \tilde{\lambda}_{12}(u) du\right] \\ & = E\left[h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \int_0^T \eta_{12}(u) dM_{12}(u)\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (70)$$

Corollary 16. For any measurable, integrable, and differentiable function $h : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & E\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \int_0^T \tilde{\lambda}_{21}(u) du\right] \\ & = E\left[h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \int_0^T \eta_{21}(u) dM_{21}(u)\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

We now extend the martingale representation in Section 3 to the function $H := h(\mathbf{I}(T))$ of the path integrals. By the martingale representation in Theorem 10,

$$h(\mathbf{I}(T)) = E[h(\mathbf{I}(T))] + \int_0^T \tilde{\gamma}'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u), \quad (72)$$

for some $\mathbb{F}^{\mathbf{X}}$ -predictable process $\tilde{\gamma} := \{\tilde{\gamma}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$.

Again by subtraction we assume that $E[h(\mathbf{I}(T))] = 0$. Then

$$h(\mathbf{I}(T)) = \int_0^T \tilde{\gamma}'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u). \quad (73)$$

The following theorem gives an expression for the integrand in the martingale representation for $h(\mathbf{I}(T))$.

Theorem 17. Suppose that $a_{12}(t), a_{21}(t) > 0$ for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$. Then the integrand $\tilde{\gamma} := \{\tilde{\gamma}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, where $\tilde{\gamma}(t) := (\tilde{\gamma}_1(t), \tilde{\gamma}_2(t))' \in \mathfrak{R}^2$, is determined by

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\gamma}_1(t) &= E\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-)\right] \frac{a_{12}(t)}{a_{21}(t)}, \\ & \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_1\}, \\ \tilde{\gamma}_2(t) &= E\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} h(\mathbf{I}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-)\right] \frac{a_{21}(t)}{a_{12}(t)}, \\ & \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_2\}. \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

Proof. The proof resembles that of Theorem 13. We only need to note the fact that, for all η_{12} 's which are indicators of sets in \mathcal{H} , $\eta_{12}^2 = \eta_{12}$. □

6. An Application to Hedging Contingent Claims

In this section we will discuss an application of the martingale representation result derived in Section 4 to hedge contingent claims in the Markov chain financial market of Norberg [21]. Here we consider a simplified version of the Markov chain market of Norberg [21], where there are two risky shares, namely, S_1 and S_2 , and the Markov chain has only two states. We also suppose that the market interest rate is zero. In this case, as in Norberg [21], the (discounted) price processes of the two risky shares $\{S_1(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ and $\{S_2(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ under a risk-neutral probability, say \mathbb{P} , are governed by

$$\begin{aligned} dS_i(t) &= S_i(t-) \left((\exp(\beta_{12}^i) - 1) dM_{12}(t) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (\exp(\beta_{21}^i) - 1) dM_{21}(t) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (75)$$

$$S_i(0) = s_i > 0, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where β_{12}^i and β_{21}^i , for $i = 1, 2$, are non-zero constants; $\{M_{12}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ and $\{M_{21}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ are $(\mathbb{F}^X, \mathbb{P})$ -martingales. Note that the two risky shares are correlated since their price dynamics depend on M_{12} and M_{21} .

For each $i = 1, 2$, let $\alpha_{12}^i = \exp(\beta_{12}^i) - 1$ and let $\alpha_{21}^i = \exp(\beta_{21}^i) - 1$. Then, as in Norberg [21], under the risk-neutral measure \mathbb{P} , the (discounted) terminal prices $S_1(T)$ and $S_2(T)$ of the shares are given by

$$S_i(T) = s_i \exp \left(-\alpha_{12}^i \int_0^T a_{12}(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t-), \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle dt - \alpha_{21}^i \int_0^T a_{21}(t) \langle \mathbf{X}(t-), \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle dt + \beta_{12}^i J_{12}(T) + \beta_{21}^i J_{21}(T) \right), \quad i = 1, 2. \tag{76}$$

Consequently, the vector of the (discounted) terminal prices of the shares $\mathbf{S}(T) := (S_1(T), S_2(T))$ is a function of $\mathbf{J}(T) := (J_{12}(T), J_{21}(T))$.

We now consider a contingent claim H written on the two correlated risky shares S_1 and S_2 whose payoff at maturity T is a function of $\mathbf{S}(T)$, say $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$. Two practical examples of contingent claims having payoffs of this form are an exchange option, which is also called a Margrabe option, and a quanto option.

Note that the payoffs of the Margrabe option and the quanto option may not be differentiable functions of $\mathbf{S}(T)$. To apply the martingale representation result in Section 4 to derive the hedging quantities for the Margrabe option and the quanto option, we need to consider approximations of $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$ by some “smooth” or differentiable payoff functions of $\mathbf{S}(T)$. In the sequel, we suppose that, with a slight abuse of notation, $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$ is such a “smooth” or differentiable payoff function of $\mathbf{S}(T)$.

Then, the payoff $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$ can be written as

$$H(\mathbf{S}(T)) = G(\mathbf{J}(T)), \tag{77}$$

for some “suitable” measurable, differentiable and integrable function $G : \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$.

Define, for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, a (2×2) -matrix $\Sigma(t)$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma(t) &:= \begin{pmatrix} S_1(t-) (\exp(\beta_{12}^1) - 1) & S_1(t-) (\exp(\beta_{21}^1) - 1) \\ S_2(t-) (\exp(\beta_{12}^2) - 1) & S_2(t-) (\exp(\beta_{21}^2) - 1) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} S_1(t-) \alpha_{12}^1 & S_1(t-) \alpha_{21}^1 \\ S_2(t-) \alpha_{12}^2 & S_2(t-) \alpha_{21}^2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{78}$$

Then the price processes of the two risky shares S_1 and S_2 under the risk-neutral measure \mathbb{P} are governed by the following vector-valued stochastic differential equation:

$$d\mathbf{S}(t) = \Sigma(t) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(t), \tag{79}$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{M}}(t) := (M_{12}(t), M_{21}(t))$ as defined in Theorem 4.

Suppose $\alpha_{12}^1 \alpha_{21}^2 \neq \alpha_{21}^1 \alpha_{12}^2$. Then, the inverse $\Sigma^{-1}(t)$ of $\Sigma(t)$ exists and is given by

$$\Sigma^{-1}(t) = \frac{1}{\alpha_{12}^1 \alpha_{21}^2 - \alpha_{21}^1 \alpha_{12}^2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\alpha_{21}^2}{S_1(t-)} & -\frac{\alpha_{21}^1}{S_2(t-)} \\ -\frac{\alpha_{12}^2}{S_1(t-)} & \frac{\alpha_{12}^1}{S_2(t-)} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{80}$$

Consequently,

$$d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(t) = \Sigma^{-1}(t) d\mathbf{S}(t). \tag{81}$$

By the martingale representation in Theorem 10,

$$\begin{aligned} H(\mathbf{S}(T)) &= G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \\ &= E[G(\mathbf{J}(T))] + \int_0^T \gamma'(u) d\bar{\mathbf{M}}(u) \\ &= E[H(\mathbf{S}(T))] + \int_0^T \gamma'(u) \Sigma^{-1}(u) d\mathbf{S}(u) \\ &= E[H(\mathbf{S}(T))] \\ &\quad + \int_0^T \left(\frac{\gamma_1(u) \alpha_{21}^2 - \gamma_2(u) \alpha_{12}^2}{S_1(u-)} \right) dS_1(u) \\ &\quad + \int_0^T \left(\frac{\gamma_2(u) \alpha_{12}^1 - \gamma_1(u) \alpha_{21}^1}{S_2(u-)} \right) dS_2(u). \end{aligned} \tag{82}$$

Then the claim $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$ can be hedged perfectly by constructing a dynamic portfolio which invests $(\gamma_1(t) \alpha_{21}^2 - \gamma_2(t) \alpha_{12}^2) / S_1(t-)$ units of the risky share S_1 and $(\gamma_2(t) \alpha_{12}^1 - \gamma_1(t) \alpha_{21}^1) / S_2(t-)$ units of the risky share S_2 at time t , for each $t \in \mathcal{T}$. The initial investment of the portfolio is $E[H(\mathbf{S}(T))]$, which is the initial price of the claim $H(\mathbf{S}(T))$. Using Theorem 13, $\gamma_1(t)$ and $\gamma_2(t)$ are determined as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1(t) &= E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-) \right] \frac{a_{12}(t)}{a_{21}(t)}, \\ &\quad \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_1\}, \end{aligned} \tag{83}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_2(t) &= E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} G(\mathbf{J}(T)) \mid \mathcal{F}^{\mathbf{X}}(t-) \right] \frac{a_{21}(t)}{a_{12}(t)}, \\ &\quad \text{on the set } \{\mathbf{X}(t) = \mathbf{e}_2\}. \end{aligned}$$

We only illustrate here the use of the martingale representation result in Section 4 to hedge contingent claims whose payoffs depend only on the terminal prices of the risky shares in the Markov chain market. The martingale representation result in Section 5 may be used to hedge contingent claims with more general payoff structures in the Markov chain market.

7. Conclusion

An integration-by-parts formula for a function of the terminal values of the fundamental jump processes relating to a Markov chain was first established using the Bismut approach

to Malliavin calculus. The formula was then applied to derive a new expression for the integrand in a stochastic integral in a martingale representation. The results were then extended to functions of the integrals with respect to the whole paths of the fundamental jump processes. These functions may be regarded as random variables of canonical forms. Only finite-dimensional calculus was needed in the derivations. Though some complex notations may be involved, the results presented here may be extended to the case of a general N -state Markov chain where a set of fundamental jump processes $\{J_{ik}(t) \mid t \in \mathcal{T}\}$, $i, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$, $i \neq k$, is used. We applied the martingale representation result derived here to hedge a contingent claim written on two correlated risky shares in the Markov chain financial market of Norberg [21].

There are several future research directions based on the results developed in this paper which may be of theoretical and practical interests. The results may be applied to study the existence and uniqueness of densities of jump processes relating to a Markov chain. It seems that this problem is of fundamental importance in filtering and control theory of hidden Markov chains. Martingale representations play an important role in filtering and control. It may be interesting to explore the applications of the martingale representations developed in this paper in filtering and control for stochastic processes relating to Markov chains. The monograph by Elliott et al. [32] provided some discussions on the filtering and control of hidden Markov chains. The results developed here may be extended to develop Malliavin calculus for stochastic differential equations driven by a continuous-time, finite-state Markov chain and Markov regime-switching stochastic differential equations. It may be of practical interest to further explore the use of the martingale representation results developed here to hedge modern insurance products, such as unit-linked insurance products and longevity bonds in the Markov chain market of Norberg [21]. In Bielecki et al. [48], the valuation of credit derivatives in a Markov chain model was discussed. It may be of practical interest to explore the application of the martingale representation results developed here to hedge credit derivatives in the Markov chain model discussed in Bielecki et al. [48].

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