

CONDITIONING OF QUADRATIC HARNESSSES: BRIDGES AND GLUING CONSTRUCTIONS

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Harness (standard)

An integrable stochastic process $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a **harness** if for any $s \leq t \leq u$

$$E(X_t | \mathcal{F}_{s,u}) = \frac{u-t}{u-s} X_s + \frac{t-s}{u-s} X_u, \quad (1)$$

where $\mathcal{F}_{s,u} = \sigma(X_\alpha, \alpha \notin (s, u))$ for $s \leq t \leq u$.

The process X is a **standard harness** if additionally it is square-integrable and

$$E(X_t) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad E(X_s X_t) = s \wedge t \quad (2)$$

Harness (standard)

Equivalently, for

$$\Delta_{s,u}(X) = \frac{X_u - X_s}{u - s} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\Delta}_{s,u}(X) = \frac{uX_s - sX_u}{u - s}$$

the harness condition can be written as

$$E(X_t | \mathcal{F}_{s,u}) = \langle \underline{t}, \underline{\Delta}_{s,u}(X) \rangle ,$$

where

$$\underline{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{\Delta}_{s,u}(X) = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{s,u}(X) \\ \tilde{\Delta}_{s,u}(X) \end{bmatrix}$$

Quadratic harness (standard)

If additionally for $s \leq t \leq u$ there exist a quadratic function $Q_{t,s,u}$ such that

$$\text{Var}(X_t | \mathcal{F}_{s,u}) = Q_{t,s,u}(X_s, X_u) \quad (3)$$

we say that X is (standard) quadratic harness.

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Quadratic harness (standard) - 5 parameters

There exist 5 numbers

$$\eta, \theta \in \mathbf{R}, \quad \sigma, \tau \geq 0, \quad \gamma \leq 1 + 2\sqrt{\sigma\tau}$$

such that

$$\text{Var}(X_t | \mathcal{F}_{s,u}) = F_{t,s,u} K(\underline{\Delta}_{s,u}), \quad (4)$$

where

$$K(\underline{x}) = 1 + \langle \underline{\theta}, \underline{x} \rangle + \langle \underline{x}, \Gamma \underline{x} \rangle$$

with

$$\underline{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \tau & -1 \\ \gamma & \sigma \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$F_{t,s,u} = \frac{(u-t)(t-s)}{u(1+s\sigma) + \tau - s\gamma}.$$

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Harness

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Then

$$E(X_t) = \langle \underline{t}, \underline{\mu} \rangle$$

where $\underline{t} = (t, 1)^T$ and $\underline{\mu} = (\mu_1, \mu_2)^T$.

If X is square-integrable then

$$\text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) = \langle \underline{s}, \Sigma \underline{t} \rangle, \quad s \leq t$$

where

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} c_0 & c_1 \\ c_2 & c_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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Quadratic harness

Quadratic harness X satisfies (1) and (4) and has general mean $\underline{\mu}$ and general covariance Σ .

For $\underline{\mu}$ and Σ to be compatible with (4) with $\underline{\theta}$ and Γ it follows that

$$1 + \langle \underline{\theta}, \underline{\mu} \rangle + \langle \underline{\mu}, \Gamma \underline{\mu} \rangle + \text{trace}(\Gamma \Sigma^T) = 0 .$$

Then for the quadratic harness X we write

$$X \sim QH(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma, \underline{\theta}, \Gamma)$$

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Transformations

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a non-degenerate affine function:

$$f(x, y) = [x, y]A + \underline{m}^T,$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{m} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let ϕ be a Möbius transform defined by A , that is

$$\phi(t) = \frac{at + b}{ct + d}, \quad t \in S = \phi^{-1}(T).$$

T and f are such that S and $T = \phi(S)$ are intervals (possibly unbounded);

ϕ is increasing if $\det(A) > 0$ and decreasing otherwise)

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The f -transformation of the process X (on T) is the process $Y = X^f$ on $S = \phi^{-1}(T)$ defined by

$$Y_t = (ct + d)X_{\phi(t)} + \langle t, \underline{m} \rangle, \quad t \in S,$$

Examples:

(i) Affine scaling:

$$Y_t = aX_t + bt + c \quad \text{for} \quad f(x, y) = a[x, y] + [b, c].$$

(ii) Linear time-change:

$$Y_t = X_{at} \quad \text{for} \quad f(x, y) = [ax, y].$$

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Assume $\det(A) > 0$ ($\det(A) < 0$ is similar). Define

$$\mathcal{F}_{s,u}^f = \mathcal{F}_{\phi(s),\phi(u)}.$$

Theorem

Let $X \sim QH_0(\theta, \Gamma)$ be a standard quadratic harness on T . Let f be an affine function as defined above. Denote

$$G = 1 - \langle A^{-1}\theta, \underline{m} \rangle + \langle \underline{m}, A^{-1}\Gamma(A^{-1})^T \underline{m} \rangle.$$

If $G \neq 0$ and $Y = X^f$ then

$$Y \sim QH(\underline{m}, [a, b]^T [c, d], \underline{\theta}_Y, \Gamma_Y)$$

where

$$\underline{\theta}_Y = \frac{A^{-1}\theta - (\tilde{\Gamma} + \tilde{\Gamma}^T)\underline{m}}{G} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_Y = \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}}{G}$$

with $\tilde{\Gamma} = A^{-1}\Gamma(A^{-1})^T$.

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From QH bridge to standard QH

Theorem

Let $Y \sim QH(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma, \underline{\theta}, \Gamma)$ on (r, v) with

$$\text{Cov}(Y_s, Y_t) = M^2(s - r)(v - t).$$

(That is Y is a QH bridge on (r, v) .)

Let $g(\tau, \sigma, \gamma) = v(1 + r\sigma) + \tau - r\gamma > 0$.

(Note that

$$M^2 g(\tau, \sigma, \gamma) = K(\underline{\mu}) = 1 + \langle \underline{\theta}, \underline{\mu} \rangle + \langle \underline{\mu}, \Gamma \underline{\mu} \rangle .)$$

Then $Y = X^f$, where $X \sim QH_0(\underline{\theta}_X, \Gamma_X)$ on $(0, \infty)$

$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{\frac{K(\underline{\mu})}{g(\tau, \sigma, \gamma)}} [x - y, vy - rx] + \underline{\mu}^T$$

From QH bridge to standard QH, cont.

Theorem (cont.)

The parameters of X are

$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_X \\ \eta_X \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} v[\theta - r\eta + 2\tau\mu_1 - 2r\sigma\mu_2 - (1-\gamma)(\mu_2 - r\mu_1)] \\ -\theta + v\eta - 2\tau\mu_1 + 2\sigma v\mu_2 - (1-\gamma)(v\mu_1 - \mu_2) \end{bmatrix}}{\sqrt{vg(\tau, \sigma, \gamma)K(\underline{\mu})}}$$

and

$$\Gamma_X = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{v[\sigma r^2 + (1-\gamma)r + \tau]}{v(r\sigma + 1) + \tau - r\gamma} & -1 \\ \frac{v\gamma - r(v\sigma + 1) - \tau}{v(r\sigma + 1) + \tau - r\gamma} & \frac{\sigma v^2 + (1-\gamma)v + \tau}{v(r\sigma + 1) + \tau - r\gamma} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example - Brownian bridge

Let $Y = (Y_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ be a Brownian bridge. Then

$$Y \sim QH \left(\underline{\mu} = \underline{0}, \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{\theta} = \underline{0}, \Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

and thus $Y = W^f$ where W is a Wiener process and $f(x, y) = [x - y, y]$, that is

$$Y_t = (1 - t)W_{t/(1-t)}.$$

Double conditioning of QH and QH bridge

For $Z \sim QH(\underline{\mu}_Z, \Sigma_Z, \underline{\theta}, \Gamma)$ on (α, β) define the conditional process

$$Y = (Y_t)_{t \in [r, v]} \stackrel{d}{=} [(Z_t)_{t \in [r, v]} | Z_r = z_r, Z_v = z_v].$$

Then

$$Y \sim QH\left(\underline{\Delta}_{r, v}(z_r, z_v), M^2 \begin{bmatrix} -rv & v \\ r & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{\theta}, \Gamma\right),$$

where

$$M = \sqrt{\frac{K(\underline{\Delta}_{r, v}(z_r, z_v))}{g(\tau, \sigma, \gamma)}}.$$

Double conditioning of QH and QH bridge, cont.

Since

$$\text{Cov}(Y_s, Y_t) = M^2(v - t)(s - r)$$

the process Y is a QH bridge on (r, v) .

Thus $Y = X^f$ where $X \sim QH_0(\underline{\theta}_X, \Gamma_X)$ with f and the parameters $\underline{\theta}_X$ and Γ_X as given in the above Theorem with $\underline{\mu} = \underline{\Delta}_{r,v}(z_r, z_v)$.

Example - Dirichlet QH

Let Z be a standardized Lévy gamma process, that is

$$Z \sim QH_0 \left(\left[\begin{array}{c} \theta \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{\theta^2}{4} & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \right).$$

Let Y be a gamma bridge (or Dirichlet process), that is

$$Y = (Y_t)_{t \in [0, v]} \stackrel{d}{=} [(Z_t)_{t \in [0, v]} | Z_v = z_v].$$

Then $Y = X^f$ and

$$X \sim QH_0 \left(\frac{2\theta}{\sqrt{v}\sqrt{4v+\theta^2}} \left[\begin{array}{c} v \\ -1 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} \frac{v\theta^2}{4v+\theta^2} & -1 \\ \frac{4v-\theta^2}{4v+\theta^2} & \frac{\theta^2}{v(4v+\theta^2)} \end{array} \right] \right).$$

Note that $\gamma_X = 1 - 2\sqrt{\tau_X\sigma_X}$, $\tau_X = \theta_X^2/4$ and $\sigma_X = \eta_X^2/4$.

Example - Binomial QH

Let Z be a standardized Poisson process, that is

$$Z \sim QH_0 \left(\left[\begin{array}{c} \theta \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \right) .$$

Let Y be a conditional process defined by

$$Y = (Y_t)_{t \in [0, v]} \stackrel{d}{=} [(Z_t)_{t \in [0, v]} | Z_v = n] .$$

Then $Y = X^f$ and

$$X \sim QH_0 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left[\begin{array}{c} \sqrt{v} \\ -1/\sqrt{v} \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \right) .$$

Note that $\gamma_X = 1$, $\tau_X = \sigma_X = 0$, and $\theta_X \eta_X < 0$.

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Gluing

For any quadratic harness X , any time v , and any $x \in \text{supp}X_v$ there exist independent standard QH's X_- , X_+ and affine functions f_- , f_+ such that

$$[(X_t)_{t < v} | X_v = x] \stackrel{d}{=} X_-^{f_-} \quad \text{and} \quad [(X_t)_{t > v} | X_v = x] \stackrel{d}{=} X_+^{f_+} .$$

Then we say that X is constructed by gluing together X_- and X_+ through X_v .

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Gluing with simple gluands

When in such gluing constructions for QH processes the components X_- and X_+ are (relatively) simple?

For instance: q -Meixner processes - $QH(\theta, 0, \tau, 0, q)$.

This class contains e.g. five Lévy-Meixner processes: Wiener, Poisson, gamma, Pascal, Meixner - $QH(\theta, 0, \tau, 0, 1)$.

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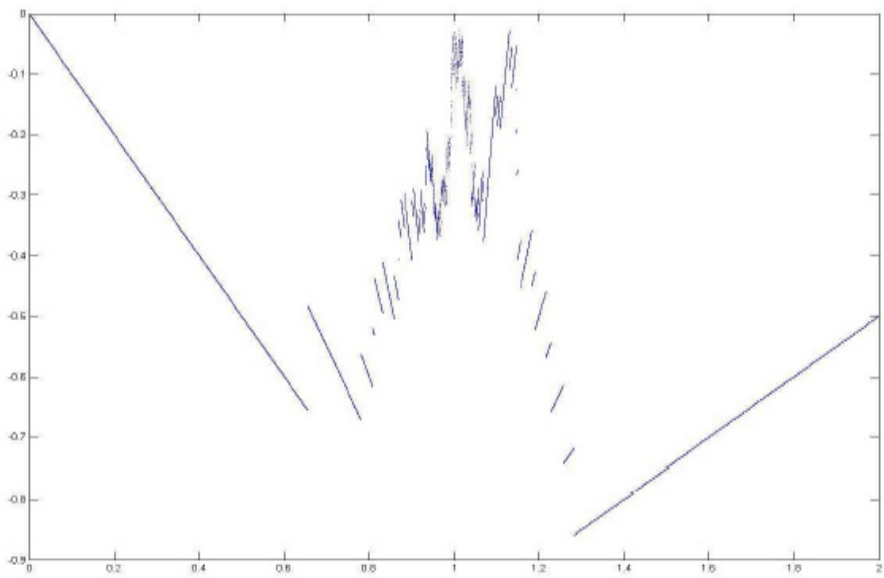
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Bi-Pascal process, Jamiołkowska (2009), MSc Thesis

Let $a > 0, b > 2$

$$h(t) = \frac{(b-1)t}{1-t}, t \in [0, 1), \quad f(t) = \frac{b-1}{t-1}, t > 1$$

Then the family of distributions

$$\mu_{x,s,t} = \begin{cases} NH_{II}^x(a+x, b+h(s), h(t)-h(s)) & 0 \leq s < t < 1, x \in \mathbf{N} \\ Beta_{II}(a+x, b+h(s)) & 0 \leq s < t = 1, x \in \mathbf{N} \\ NH_{II}(a+x, b+h(s), f(t)) & 0 \leq s < 1 < t, x \in \mathbf{N} \\ nb(f(t), \frac{1}{1+x}) & s = 1 < t, x > 0 \\ NH_I(x, f(t), f(s)-f(t)) & 1 < s < t, x \in \mathbf{N} \end{cases}$$

satisfies Chapman-Kolmogorov equations, and thus defines a Markov process $Z = (Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$.

Bi-Pascal process

Bi-Pascal process $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ with parameters $a > 0$ and $b > 2$ is defined as

$$X_t = A \begin{cases} (1-t)Z_t - at, & \text{if } t \in [0, 1), \\ (b-1)Z_1 - a, & \text{if } t = 1, \\ (t-1)Z_t - a, & \text{if } t > 1 \end{cases},$$

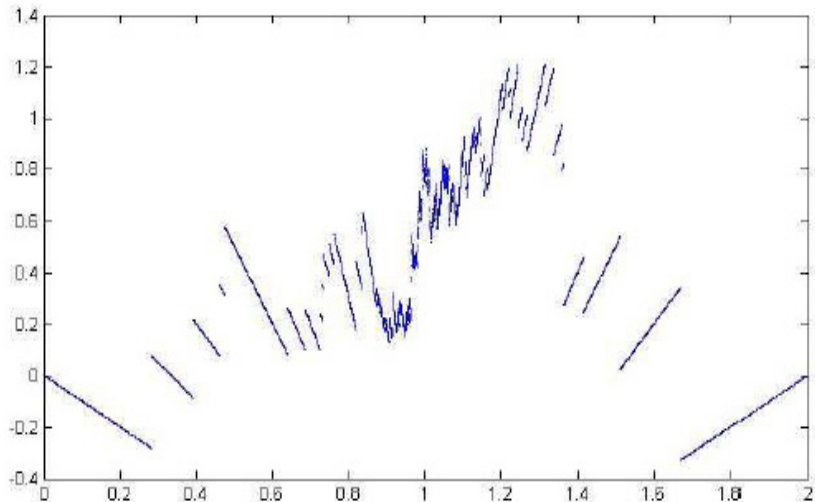
where

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{b-2}{a(a+b-1)}}$$

It appears that $X \sim QH_0$ with parameters

$$\theta = \eta = \frac{2a + b - 1}{\sqrt{a(b-2)(a+b-1)}},$$

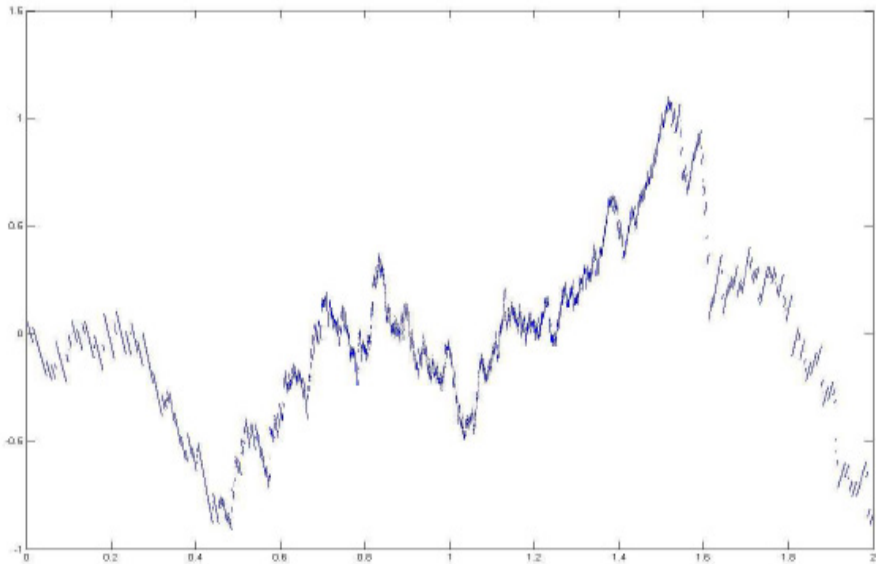
$$\tau = \sigma = \frac{1}{b-2} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma = \frac{b}{b-2}$$



$$a = 5, b = 5$$

First family of lines: $A[k - (a + k)t], t \in [0, 1)$.

Second family of lines: $A(kt - a - k), t > 1$.



$a = b = 100$