

**MIXED BROWNIAN–FRACTIONAL BROWNIAN MODEL:  
ABSENCE OF ARBITRAGE AND RELATED TOPICS**

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Let  $W = (W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be a standard Wiener process and  $B^H = (B_t^H)_{t \geq 0}$  be a fractional Brownian motion with the Hurst index  $H$ ,  $H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ , both defined on a filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}, P)$ .

Consider a mixed version of the Black-Merton-Scholes model, i.e., a  $(B, S)$ -market with a bond  $B$  and a stock  $S$ , where

$$(1) \quad B_t = e^{rt}, \quad S_t = e^{aW_t + bB_t^H + ct}, \quad r, a, b, c \in R.$$

For a given strategy (or a portfolio)  $\pi = (\beta_t, \gamma_t)_{t \geq 0}$  the capital  $X = (X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  corresponding to this portfolio equals

$$(2) \quad X_t = B_t \cdot \beta_t + S_t \cdot \gamma_t.$$

We make the following assumptions about the strategy  $\pi$ :

1)  $\pi$  is self-financing, i.e.,

$$(3) \quad X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t \beta_s dB_s + \int_0^t \gamma_s dS_s;$$

2)  $\pi$  is of Markov type, i.e.,

$$(4) \quad \beta_t = \beta(S_t, t), \quad \gamma_t = \gamma(S_t, t).$$

We say that the strategy  $\pi$  has an arbitrage opportunity if there exists  $T > 0$  such that

$$X_0 = 0, \quad X_T \geq 0 \quad (P - a.s.), \quad P(X_T > 0) > 0.$$

It is well-known that in the case of standard Black-Merton-Scholes model, i.e., when  $b = 0$  in (1), there exists an equivalent martingale measure. This fact guarantees the absence of arbitrage. In the case of pure fractional model, i.e., when  $a = 0$  in (1), the arbitrage possibility depends on the definition of stochastic integral. It is easy to give arbitrage examples in continuous time trading with self-financing strategies, if one uses the Riemann-Stieltjes integral. It was demonstrated by Rogers [1], Shiryaev [2], Dasgupta [3]. If one uses the Wick-Itô-Skorohod integral she obtains an arbitrage-free model. Pioneer papers on this topics belong to Hu, Øksendal [4] and Elliott, van der Hoek [5], then the situation was carefully studied by Bender [6] where some clarifications were introduced. The results have been summarised by Sottinen and Valkeila in [7]. In the mixed model (1) with  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$  some results were obtained in the papers of Kuznetsov [8], Cheridito [9] and Mishura, Valkeila [10]. Kuznetsov proved the absence of arbitrage under condition of independence of processes  $W$  and  $B^H$ . Cheridito established that for  $H \in (\frac{3}{4}, 1)$  the

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mixed model with independent  $W$  and  $B^H$  is equivalent to the one with Brownian motion and hence it is arbitrage-free. Conversely, the work of Mishura and Valkeila guarantees the absence of arbitrage when the trajectories of process  $B^H$  are in some sense the functionals of trajectories of process  $W$ .

The main result of our paper is that the mixed market is arbitrage-free for any  $W$  and  $B^H$  if we restrict ourselves with self-financing Markov-type smooth strategies.

We introduce for  $\alpha > 0$  the process  $B^{H,\alpha}$  which is continuously differentiable and for which convergence  $E \left| B_t^H - B_t^{H,\alpha} \right|^m \rightarrow 0$  holds as  $\alpha \rightarrow 0+$  for  $2 \leq m < \frac{1}{1-H}$ . Also we prove in the next section that if process  $f$  belongs to the class  $C^{2(1-H)+\varepsilon}$  with some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then for  $H \in (\frac{3}{4}, 1)$  convergence in probability  $\int_0^T f(u) dB_u^{H,\alpha} \rightarrow \int_0^T f(u) dB_u^H$  holds as  $\alpha \rightarrow 0+$ , where the last integral is the Riemann-Stieltjes one. Using this auxiliary result we represent the process of capital in a mixed Black–Merton–Scholes model (1) as a limit of some semimartingales.

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