

EXISTENCE OF SOLUTION OF CT PROCESS

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DESCRIPTION OF CT PROCESS

Deterministic CT system is described by ODE of the form:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x, u) \\ y &= h(x, u)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Here $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, u \in \mathbb{R}^l$

Stochastic CT system is described by the SDE of the form:

$$\begin{aligned}dX_t &= f(X_t, U_t)dt + \sigma(X_t, U_t)dB_t \\ Y_t &= h(X_t, U_t)\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

$u(t)$ (U_t) is the policy in deterministic (stochastic case)

ON THE EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF ODE SOLUTION

Theorem	Conditions	Conclusion
Peano existence theorem	f continuous	local existence (not uniqueness)
Picard theorem	f Lipschitz continious	local existence and uniqueness

Continuous function : $\|f(x) - f(y)\| \rightarrow 0$ if $\|x - y\| \rightarrow 0$

Lipschitz function (with constant L): $\|f(x) - f(y)\| < L\|x - y\|$

THEOREMS (ODE)

PEANO THEOREM

Let D be open subset of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ and f continuous on D . Then every initial value problem $x(t_0) = x_0$ has a local solution:

$$x(t) : I_{x_0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

PICARD THEOREM

Let D be open subset of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ and f uniformly Lipschitz on D (constant L doesn't depend on t). Then every initial value problem $x(t_0) = x_0$ has a unique local solution:

$$x(t) : I_{x_0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

The general form of the *stochastic differential equation* with drift and diffusion term is:

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t, t)dt + \sigma(X_t, t)dW_t$$

Here W_t is the standard *Wiener* process (Brownian motion).

For SDE there exist two notions of solutions:

- Strong solution
- Weak solution

DEFINITION

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space with an admissible filtration $\mathbb{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$. *Strong solution* of SDE with initial condition $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is an adapted process with continuous paths:

$$X_t = x + \int_0^t \mu(X_s, s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(X_s, s) dW_s$$

Here the last integral is the *Ito* integral

Adapted process, informally, cannot see into future.

Requirements for the solution to be well-defined:

- With probability 1:

$$\int_0^t |\mu(X_s)| ds < \infty \quad \int_0^t \sigma^2(X_s) ds < \infty$$

- With probability 1 solutions exists $\forall t < \infty$

DEFINITION

A *weak* solution of SDE with initial condition $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous stochastic process X_t defined on *some* probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with *some* filtration $\mathbb{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ and *some* realization of Wiener process W_t .

THEOREMS FOR SDE

Here $\mu(X_t, t) : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\sigma(X_t, t) : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$.

ITO'S EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS THEOREM

Let $\mu(X_t, t)$ and $\sigma(X_t, t)$ be *uniformly* Lipschitz on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ with linear growth:

$$|\mu(x, t) - \mu(y, t)| + |\sigma(x, t) - \sigma(y, t)| \leq C|x - y|$$

$$|\mu(x, t)|^2 + |\sigma(x, t)|^2 \leq D^2(1 + |x|^2)$$

Where C and D constants (independent of x, t). Then there exists unique *strong* solution:

$$X(t) : I_{x_0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^T |X_t|^2 dt \right] < \infty$$

EXAMPLE

Lipschitz condition is important.

For $\dot{x} = 2\sqrt{|x|}$, r.h.s doesn't satisfy Lipschitz condition at $x = 0$.

For initial value $x(0) = 0$ both functions:

$$x_1(t) = 0 \quad x_2(t) = t^2$$

solve the initial value problem.

CONTROLLED SDE

Now we are going to consider the case of *controlled* diffusion with U a control function, with U taking values in \mathbb{U} .

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t, U_t, t)dt + \sigma(X_t, U_t, t)dW_t$$

Ito's theorem has to be modified a bit.

EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS THEOREM FOR CONTROLLED PROCESS

If the conditions of Ito's theorem hold for any $t > 0$ and for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{U}$ *uniformly*:

$$|\mu(x, \alpha, t) - \mu(y, \alpha, t)| + |\sigma(x, \alpha, t) - \sigma(y, \alpha, t)| \leq C|x - y|$$

$$|\mu(x, \alpha, t)|^2 + |\sigma(x, \alpha, t)|^2 \leq D^2(1 + |x|^2)$$

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