

Model Predictive Control

Lecture 03A - Stochastic Differential Equations (SDEs)

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Deterministic and Stochastic Differential Equations

- ▶ Ordinary differential equations (ODEs)

$$dx(t) = f(x(t))dt$$

- ▶ Stochastic differential equations (SDEs)

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + g(\mathbf{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

drift

= normal dist

- ▶ $\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$ is a standard Wiener process

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- Stochastic differential equations (SDEs)
with state **independent** diffusion

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + \sigma d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

This is a special case, where $g(\mathbf{x}(t)) = \sigma$

Stochastic Differential Equation - Numerical Methods

- White noise

$$d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t) \sim N_{iid}(0, dt)$$

- Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE)

$$d\boldsymbol{x}(t) = f(\boldsymbol{x}(t))dt + g(\boldsymbol{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Integral form

$$\boldsymbol{x}(t_{k+1}) - \boldsymbol{x}(t_k) = \overbrace{\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} f(\boldsymbol{x}(t))dt}^{\text{Riemann integral}} + \overbrace{\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} g(\boldsymbol{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)}^{\text{Ito integral}}$$

Riemann integral: The integrand can be evaluated for any t in $t_k \leq t \leq t_{k+1}$

Ito integral: The integrand must be evaluated in $t = t_k$ (i.e. the LHS)

- Discretized white noise

$$\Delta \boldsymbol{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

- Explicit-explicit method (Euler-Maruyama)

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1} - \boldsymbol{x}_k = f(\boldsymbol{x}_k)\Delta t_k + g(\boldsymbol{x}_k)\Delta \boldsymbol{w}_k$$

- Implicit-explicit method

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1} - \boldsymbol{x}_k = f(\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1})\Delta t_k + g(\boldsymbol{x}_k)\Delta \boldsymbol{w}_k$$

Brownian Motion

Discrete-time Brownian Motion

- ▶ Random walk = discrete Brownian motion
- ▶ Mathematical model

- ▶ Initial value

$$x_0 = 0$$

- ▶ Random disturbance

$$\boldsymbol{w}_k \sim F_{iid}(\cdot)$$

- ▶ Difference equation

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{x}_k + \boldsymbol{w}_k$$

- ▶ Numerical procedure

- ▶ $x_0 = 0$
 - ▶ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Generate w_k using a random number generator

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + w_k$$

Discrete-time Brownian Motion - Mean and Variance

- Difference equation

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{w}_k, \quad \mathbf{x}_0 = x_0 = 0$$

- Equivalent expression

$$\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{w}_0 + \mathbf{w}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{w}_{k-1} \quad k \geq 1$$

- N_s different realizations of \mathbf{x}_k

$$x_k^i = w_0^i + w_1^i + \dots + w_{k-1}^i \quad k \geq 0 \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, N_s\}$$

- Sample mean

$$\bar{x}_k = \frac{x_k^1 + x_k^2 + \dots + x_k^{N_s}}{N_s}$$

- Sample variance

$$s_k^2 = \frac{(x_k^1 - \bar{x}_k)^2 + (x_k^2 - \bar{x}_k)^2 + \dots + (x_k^{N_s} - \bar{x}_k)^2}{N_s - 1}$$

- Asymptotic limits: $\bar{x}_k \rightarrow 0$ and $s_k^2 \rightarrow k$ for $N_s \rightarrow \infty$

Scalar

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A scalar standard Brownian motion, or standard Wiener process, over $[0, T]$ is a random variable $\omega(t)$ that depends continuously on $t \in [0, T]$ and satisfies the following conditions

- $\omega(0) = 0$ (with probability 1)
 - $0 \leq s < t \leq T : [\omega(t) - \omega(s)] \sim N(0, t - s)$
 - For $0 \leq s < t < u < v \leq T$, the increments $\omega(t) - \omega(s)$ and $\omega(v) - \omega(u)$ are independent
- White noise
Let $\omega(t)$ be scalar standard Brownian motion and let

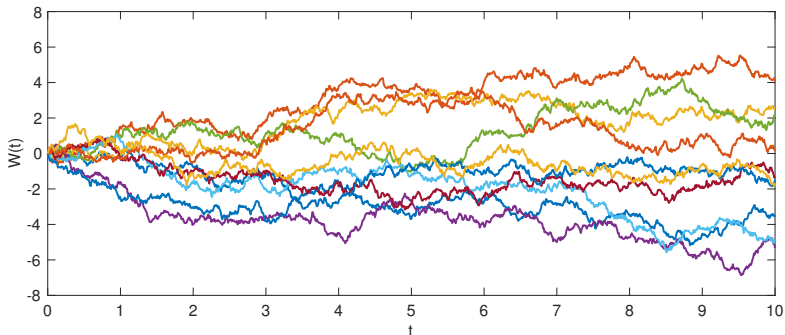
$$\omega(t) = \int_0^t d\omega(s)$$

then $d\omega(t) \sim N_{iid}(0, dt)$ is white noise

- Brownian motion is integrated white noise

Realizations of Standard Brownian Motion

```
1 % Scalar Standard Brownian Motion = Standard Wiener Process
2 Ns = 10; % Number of realizations
3 T = 10; % Final time
4 N = 1000; % Number of time steps
5 seed = 100; % Seed for reproducibility
6
7 % Realization of Ns Standard Brownian Motions
8 rng(seed);
9 dt = T/N;
10 dW = sqrt(dt)*randn(Ns,N);
11 W = cumsum(dW,2);
```



Scalar Standard Wiener Process

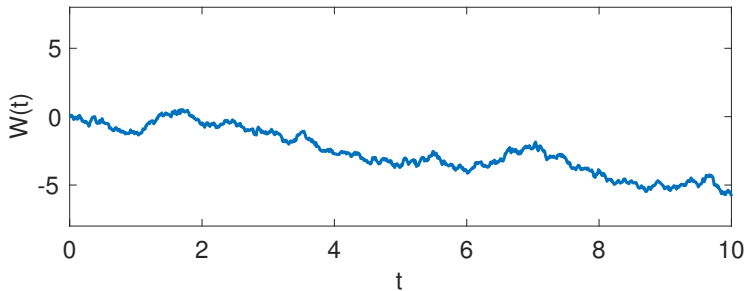
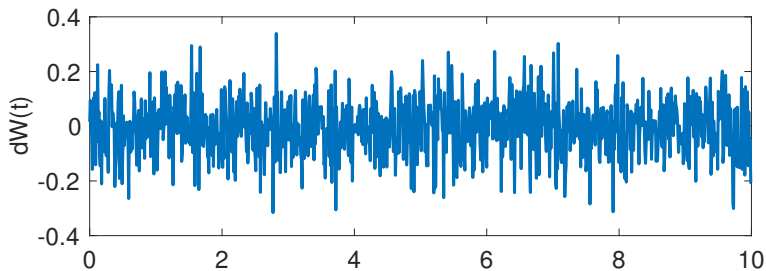
- N_s realizations of a scalar standard Wiener process

```
1 function [W,Tw,dW] = ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed)
2 % ScalarStdWienerProcess Ns realizations of a scalar std Wiener process
3 %
4 % Syntax: [W,Tw,dW] = ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed)
5 %       W       : Standard Wiener process in [0,T]
6 %       Tw      : Time points
7 %       dW      : White noise used to generate the Wiener process
8 %
9 %       T       : Final time
10 %       N       : Number of intervals
11 %       Ns      : Number of realizations
12 %       seed    : To set the random number generator (optional)
13
14 if nargin == 4
15     rng(seed);
16 end
17 dt = T/N;
18 dW = sqrt(dt)*randn(Ns,N);
19 W = [zeros(Ns,1) cumsum(dW,2)];
20 Tw = 0:dt:T;
```

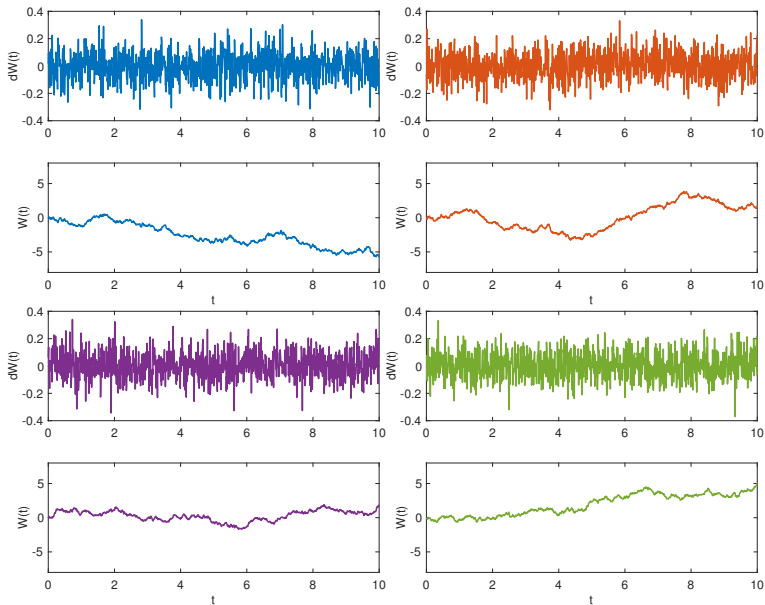
- Usage

```
[W,Tw,dW] = ScalarStdWienerProcess(10,1000,10,100);
plot(Tw,W,'linewidth',2);
```

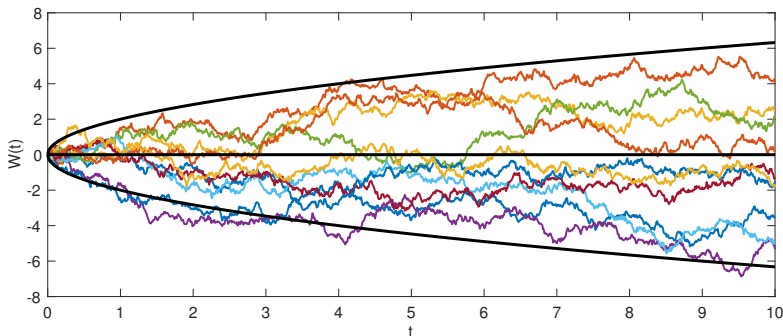
White Noise and Standard Brownian Motion



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Realizations of Standard Brownian Motion



- Mean

$$\bar{\omega}(t) = E\omega(t) = 0$$

- Variance

$$\sigma(t)^2 = V\omega(t) = t$$

- Standard deviation

$$\sigma(t) = \sqrt{V\omega(t)} = \sqrt{t}$$

- Plot: $\bar{\omega}(t) \pm 2\sigma(t)$

Scalar Sample Mean and Sample Variance (Std Deviation)

- Given $\{x_k^i\}_{i=1}^{N_s}$

$$\text{Sample mean: } \bar{x}_k = \frac{1}{N_s} \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} x_k^i$$

$$\text{Sample std dev: } s_k = \left(\frac{1}{N_s - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} (x_k^i - \bar{x}_k)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

- Sample mean and standard deviation

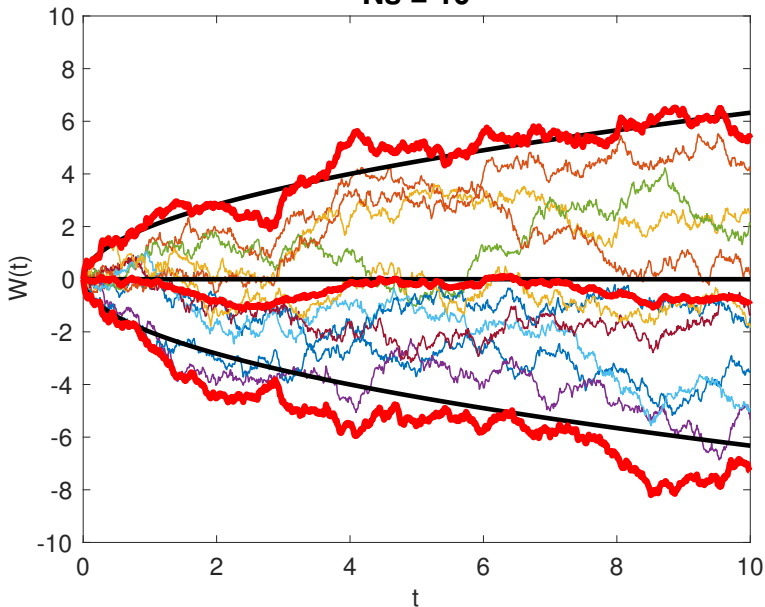
```
1 function [xmean,s,xmeanp2s,xmeanm2s]=ScalarSampleMeanStdVar(x)
2
3 xmean    = mean(x,1);
4 s        = std(x,0,1);
5 xmeanp2s = xmean + 2*s;
6 xmeanm2s = xmean - 2*s;
```

- Usage

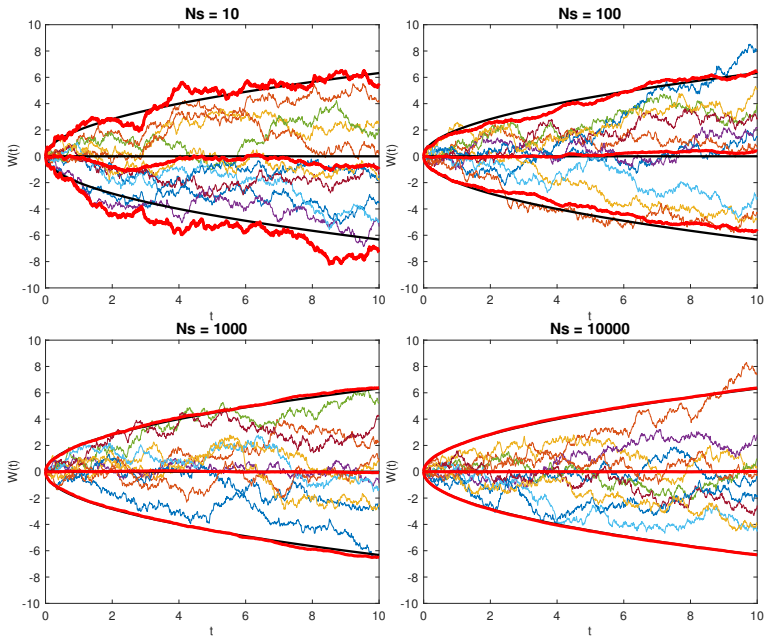
```
1 [W,Tw,dW] = ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed);
2 [Wmean,sW,Wmeanp2sW,Wmeanm2sW]=ScalarSampleMeanStdVar(W);
```

Scalar Sample Mean and Sample Variance (Std Deviation)

Ns = 10



Scalar Sample Mean and Sample Variance (Std Deviation)



Stochastic Differential Equations

Integrals

- ▶ Time axis

$$a = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_{N-1} < t_N = b$$

- ▶ Riemann integral (evaluated in the LHS)

$$\int_a^b f(t)dt = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f(t_i)\Delta t_i$$

- ▶ Ito integral

$$\int_a^b f(t)d\omega(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f(t_i)\Delta \mathbf{w}_i, \quad \Delta \mathbf{w}_i \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_i)$$

- ▶ Brownian motion (a standard Wiener process)

$$\omega(t) = \int_0^t d\omega(s)$$

$d\omega(t)$ is called white noise

Ito's Formula

- Ito's formula

Let $y = f(t, x)$ then

$$dy = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, x)dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, x)dx + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, x)dx dx$$

- The equivalence of the chain rule
- Reason that analytical solutions looks different than you are used to

Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 1

- Constant coefficient scalar differential equation

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = \lambda dt + \sigma d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = 0$$

- Analytical solution

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}(0) = \lambda t + \sigma \boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Integral equation

$$\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}(0) = \overbrace{\int_0^t \lambda ds}^{\text{Riemann integral}} + \overbrace{\int_0^t \sigma d\boldsymbol{\omega}(s)}^{\text{Ito integral}}$$

- The solution is a combination of drift (λt) and the diffusion of the Brownian motion ($\sigma \boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$)

Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 1

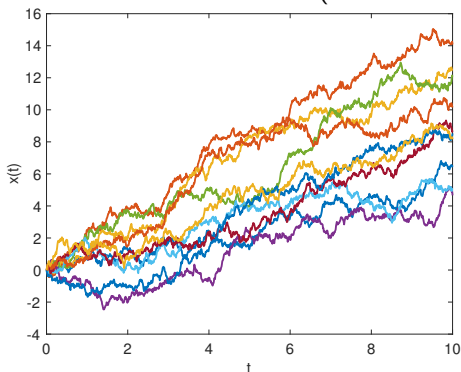
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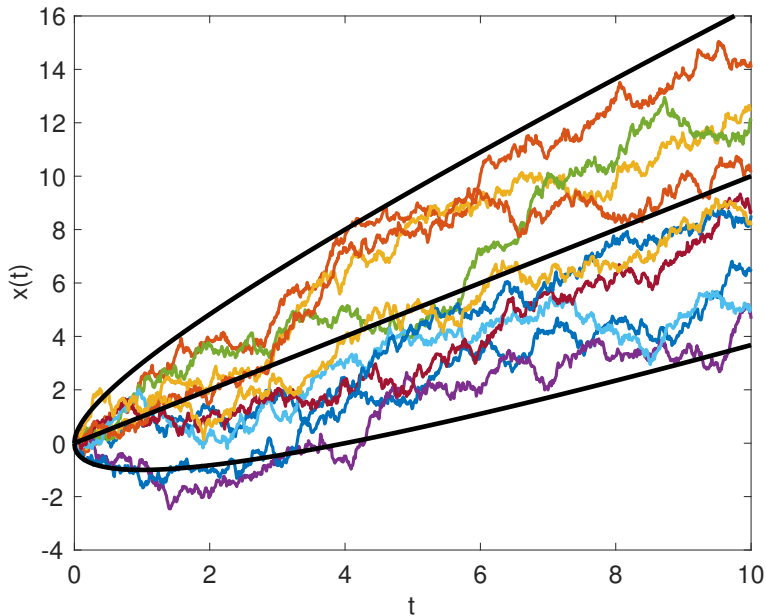
- Analytical solution

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}(0) = \lambda t + \sigma \boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Plot of 10 realizations of the solution ($\lambda = 1$ and $\sigma = 1$)



Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 1



Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 2

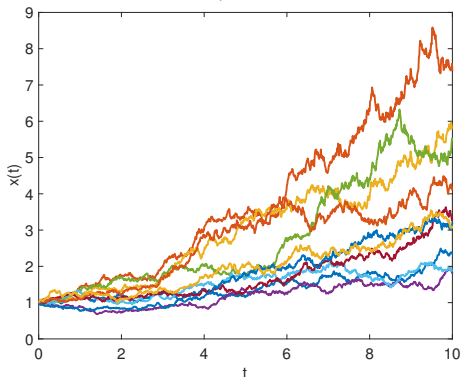
- Geometric Brownian motion

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = \lambda \mathbf{x}(t)dt + \sigma \mathbf{x}(t)d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

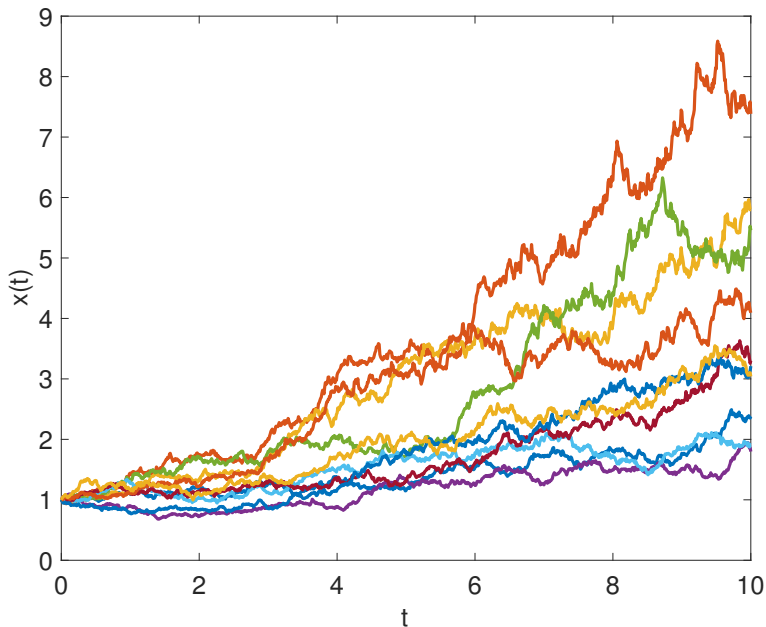
- Analytical solution

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \exp\left(\left(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\right)t + \sigma\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)\right) \mathbf{x}_0$$

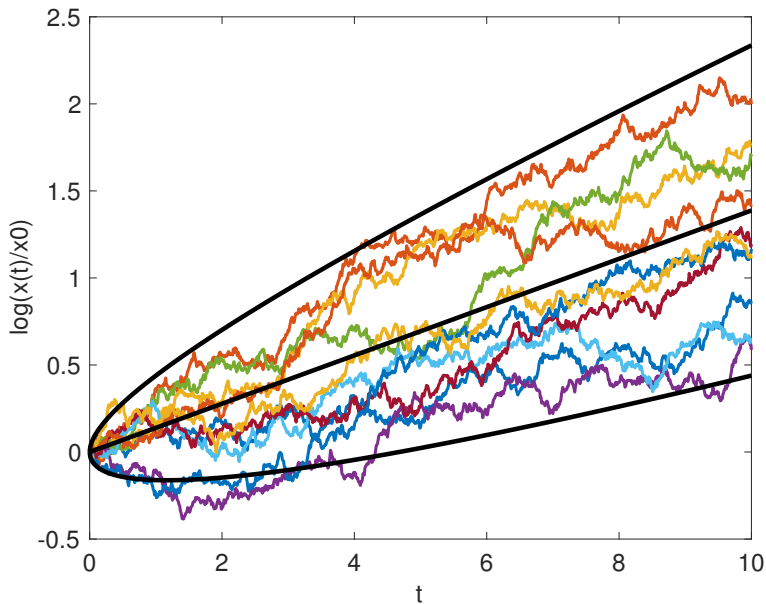
- Plot of 10 realizations of the solution ($\lambda = 0.15, \sigma = 0.15, x_0 = 1$)



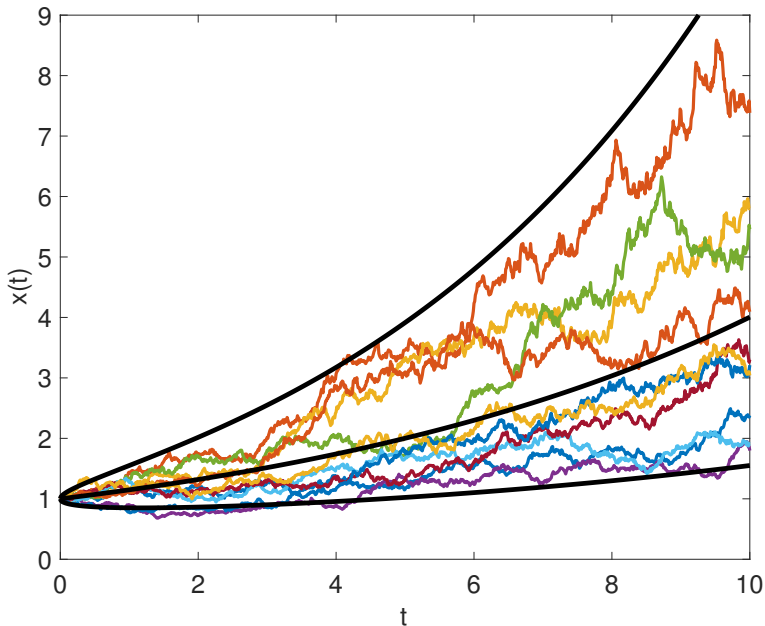
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Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 3

- Langevin equation

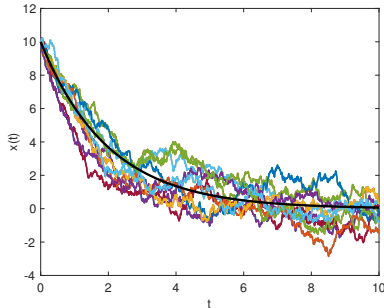
$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = \lambda \mathbf{x}(t)dt + \sigma d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t), \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

- No analytical solution exists
- The numerical solution (by the Euler-Maruyama method)

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k = (\lambda \mathbf{x}_k) \Delta t_k + \sigma \Delta \mathbf{w}_k, \quad \Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

is called the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

- Plot of 10 realizations of the solution ($\lambda = -0.5, \sigma = 1, x_0 = 10$)



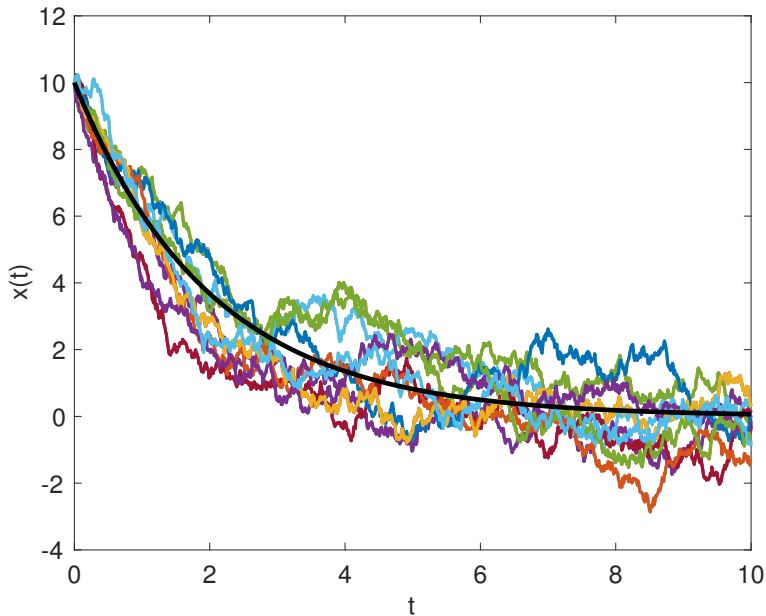
Matlab code

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + (\lambda \mathbf{x}_k) \Delta t_k + \sigma \Delta \mathbf{w}_k, \quad \Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

```
1  T    = 10;  
2  N    = 1000;  
3  Ns   = 10;  
4  seed = 100;  
5  
6  x0    = 10;  
7  lambda = -0.5;  
8  sigma  = 1.0;  
9  
10 [W,Tw,dW]=ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed);  
11  
12 X = zeros(size(W));  
13 for i=1:Ns;  
14     X(i,1) = x0;  
15     for k=1:N  
16         dt = Tw(k+1)-Tw(k);  
17         X(i,k+1) = X(i,k) + lambda*X(i,k)*dt + sigma*dW(i,k);  
18     end  
19 end
```

Stochastic Differential Equation - Example 3

$\lambda = -0.5$, $\sigma = 1$, $x_0 = 10$



Order of a numerical method for SDEs

- ▶ An SDE solver has **order** p if the expected value of the error is of p th order in the time step size.
- ▶ $\forall t_N > 0: E\{|\mathbf{x}(t_N) - \mathbf{x}_N|\} = \mathcal{O}((\Delta t)^p)$ for $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$
Analytical solution: $\mathbf{x}(t_N)$
Numerical solution: \mathbf{x}_N
- ▶ Note that this is a concept related to the global error for ODE solvers

Euler-Maruyama Method (explicit-explicit)

- SDE

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + g(\mathbf{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Numerical method (Euler-Maruyama)

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + f(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta t_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta \mathbf{w}_k$$

- Random number generation

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

- Order: $p = \frac{1}{2}$

Matlab Implementation - SDE solver

```
1 function X = SDEulerExplicitExplicit(ffun,gfun,T,x0,W,varargin)
2
3 N = size(T,2)-1;
4 nx = size(x0,1);
5 X = zeros(nx,N+1);
6
7 X(:,1) = x0;
8 for k=1:N
9     dt = T(k+1)-T(k);
10    dW = W(:,k+1)-W(:,k)
11    f = feval(ffun,T(k),X(:,k),varargin{:});
12    g = feval(gfun,T(k),X(:,k),varargin{:});
13    X(:,k+1) = X(:,k) + f*dt + g*dW;
14 end
```

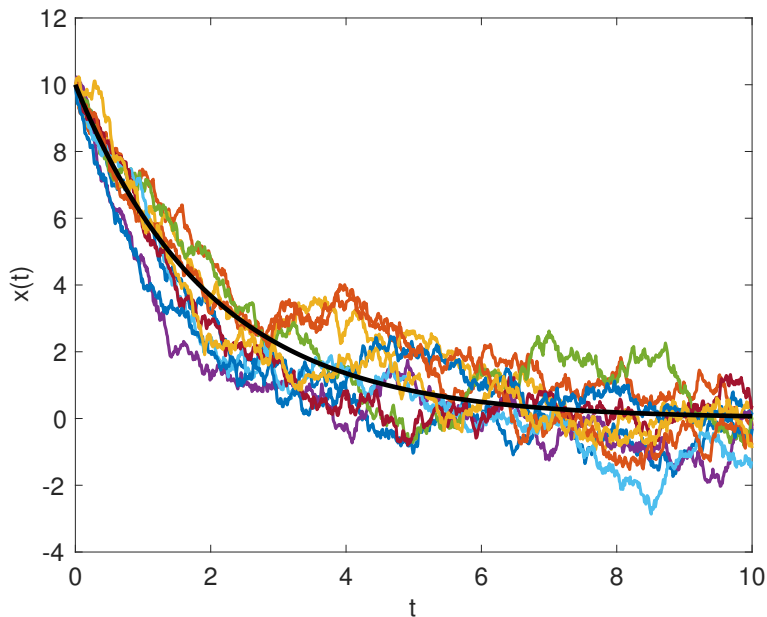

Matlab Implementation - Langevin - Driver, drift, diffusion

```
1  T    = 10;
2  N    = 1000;
3  Ns   = 10;
4  seed = 100;
5
6  x0    = 10;
7  lambda = -0.5;
8  sigma = 1.0;
9  p     = [lambda; sigma];
10
11 [W,Tw,dW]=ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed);
12 X = zeros(size(W));
13 for i=1:Ns
14     X(i,:) = SDEulerExplicitExplicit(...
15             @LangevinDrift,@LangevinDiffusion,...
16             Tw,x0,W(i,:),p);
17 end
```

```
1  function f = LangevinDrift(t,x,p)
2
3  lambda = p(1);
4  f = lambda*x;
```

```
1  function g = LangevinDiffusion(t,x,p)
2
3  sigma = p(2);
4  g = sigma;
```

Numerical Solution - Explicit-Explicit Method



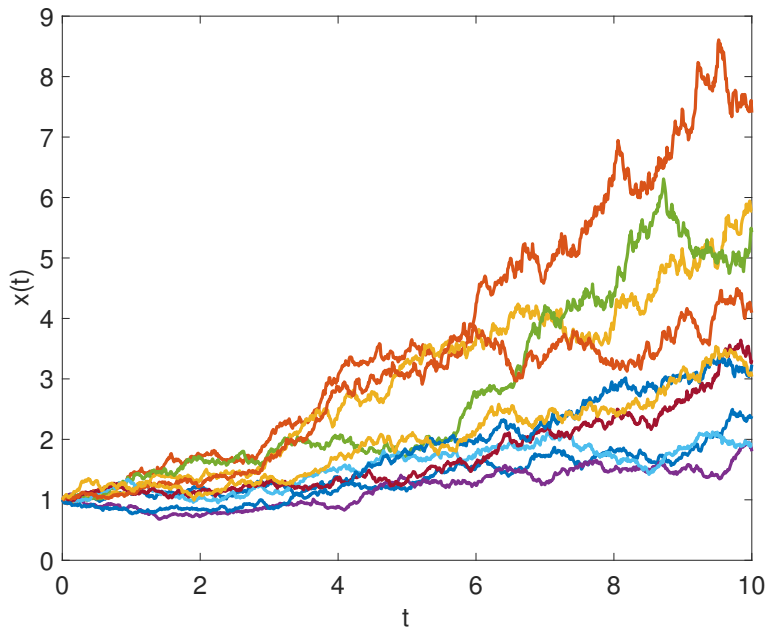
Matlab Implementation - Geometric Brownian Motion

```
1  T    = 10;
2  N    = 1000;
3  Ns   = 10;
4  seed = 100;
5
6  x0 = 1;
7  lambda = 0.15;
8  sigma = 0.15;
9  p = [lambda; sigma];
10
11 [W,Tw,dW]=ScalarStdWienerProcess(T,N,Ns,seed);
12 X = zeros(size(W));
13 for i=1:Ns
14     X(i,:) = SDEulerExplicitExplicit(...
15             @GeometricBrownianDrift,@GeometricBrownianDiffusion,...
16             Tw,x0,W(i,:),p);
17 end
```

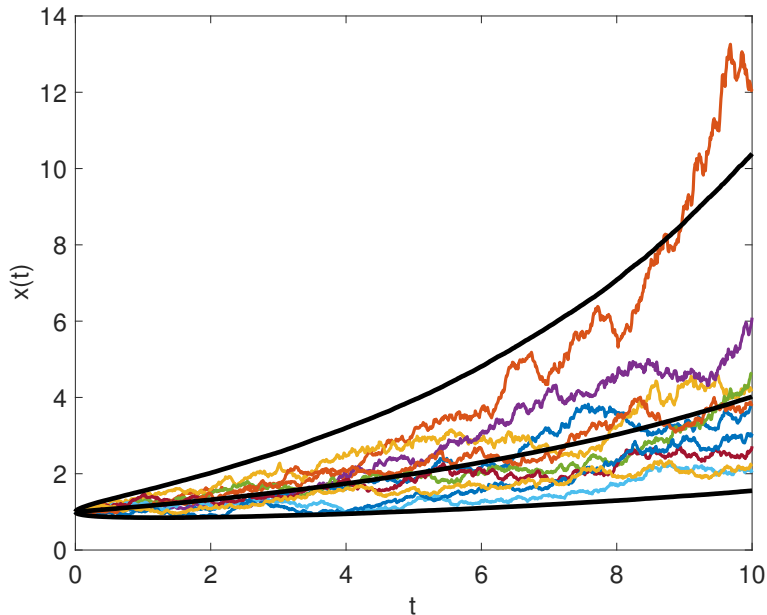
```
1  function f = ...
2      GeometricBrownianDrift(t,x,p)
3
4  lambda = p(1);
5  f = lambda*x;
```

```
1  function g = ...
2      GeometricBrownianDiffusion(t,x,p)
3
4  sigma = p(2);
5  g = sigma*x;
```

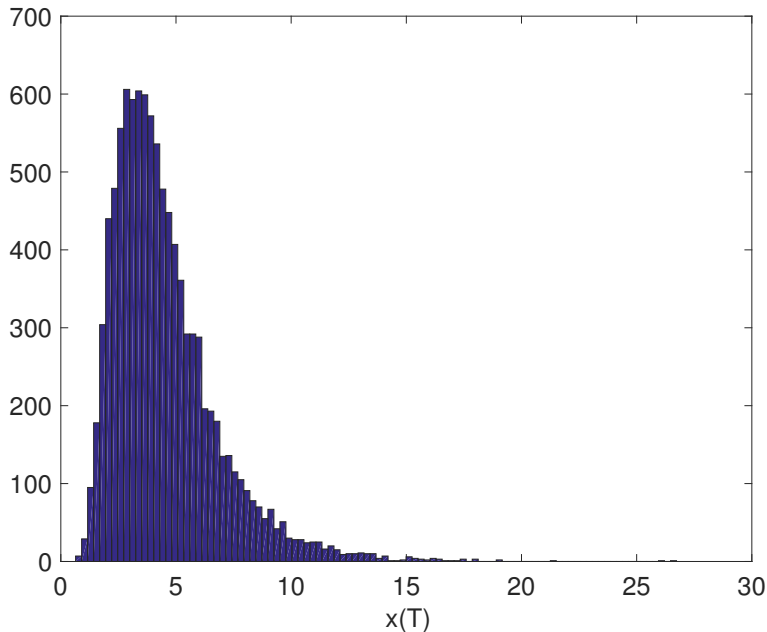
Numerical Solution - Explicit-Explicit Method



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Numerical Solution - Distribution of final state, $x(T)$



Implicit-explicit Method

- SDE

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + g(\mathbf{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Numerical method

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1})\Delta t_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta \mathbf{w}_k$$

- Random number generation

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

- Order: $p = \frac{1}{2}$

Newton Method in Implicit-Explicit SDE Solver

```
1      function [x,f,J] = SDENewtonSolver(ffun,t,dt,psi,xinit,tol,maxit,varargin)
2
3      I = eye(length(xinit));
4      x = xinit;
5      [f,J] = feval(ffun,t,x,varargin{:});
6      R = x - f*dt - psi;
7      it = 1;
8      while ( (norm(R,'inf') > tol) & (it <= maxit) )
9          dRdx = I - J*dt;
10         mdx = dRdx\R;
11         x = x - mdx;
12         [f,J] = feval(ffun,t,x,varargin{:});
13         R = x - f*dt - psi;
14         it = it+1;
15     end
```


Matlab Implementation

```
1 function X = SDEulerImplicitExplicit (ffun,gfun,T,x0,dW,varargin)
2
3 tol = 1.0e-8;
4 maxit = 10;
5
6 N = size(T,2)-1;
7 nx = size(x0,1);
8 X = zeros(nx,N+1);
9
10 X(:,1) = x0;
11 for k=1:N
12     dt = T(k+1)-T(k);
13     f = feval(ffun,T(k),X(:,k),varargin{:});
14     g = feval(gfun,T(k),X(:,k),varargin{:});
15     psi = X(:,k) + g*dW(:,k);
16     xinit = psi + f*dt;
17     [X(:,k+1),f,~] = SDENewtonSolver(...
18                                     ffun,...
19                                     T(:,k+1),dt,psi,xinit,...
20                                     tol,maxit,...
21                                     varargin{:});
22 end
```

Milstein Method (explicit)

- SDE

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + g(\mathbf{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Numerical method (Milstein)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = & \mathbf{x}_k + f(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta t_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \\ & + \frac{1}{2}g(\mathbf{x}_k)\frac{\partial g}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_k)((\Delta \mathbf{w}_k)^2 - \Delta t_k)\end{aligned}$$

- Random number generation

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

- Order: $p = 1$

First-order Stochastic Runge-Kutta Method (explicit)

- SDE

$$d\mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t))dt + g(\mathbf{x}(t))d\boldsymbol{\omega}(t)$$

- Numerical method (First-order stochastic Runge-Kutta)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{k}_k &= \mathbf{x}_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\sqrt{\Delta t_k} \\ \mathbf{x}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{x}_k + f(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta t_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\Delta t_k}} [g(\mathbf{k}_k) - g(\mathbf{x}_k)] [(\Delta \mathbf{w}_k)^2 - \Delta t_k]\end{aligned}$$

- Random number generation

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, \Delta t_k)$$

- Order: $p = 1$

Summary

- ▶ Brownian motion (standard Wiener process)
- ▶ Riemann and Ito integrals
- ▶ Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE)
- ▶ Euler Explicit-Explicit Method
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- ▶ Order