

Applied Stochastic Analysis

Homework 03

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Problem 1

From ASA, problem 6.7

A standard *Brownian bridge* is a Gaussian process with continuous paths, mean function $m(t) = 0$, and covariance function $K(s, t) = s \wedge t - st$ for $s, t \in [0, 1]$. Prove that both $X_t = W_t - tW_1$ and $Y_t = (1 - t)W_{t/(1-t)}$ for $0 \leq t < 1$, $Y_1 = 0$ give a Brownian bridge.

Solution:

First Brownian bridge. $X_t = W_t - t \cdot W_1$

1. $X_0 = X_1 = 0$.

$$X_0 = W_0 - 0 \cdot W_1 = 0, \quad W_0 = 0$$

$$X_1 = W_1 - 1 \cdot W_1 = 0$$

2. $E[X_t] = 0$.

Using $E[W_t] = 0$ and $W_1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X_t] &= E[W_t - t \cdot W_1] \\ &= E[W_t] - t \cdot W_1 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

3. $\text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) = s \wedge t - st$.

Using the previous numeral $E[X_t] = 0$ and $W_1 = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) &= E[X_s \cdot X_t] - E[X_s] \cdot E[X_t] \\ &= E[X_s \cdot X_t] \\ &= E[(W_s - s \cdot W_1) \cdot (W_t - t \cdot W_1)] \\ &= E[W_s W_t] - tE[W_1 W_s] - sE[W_1 W_t] + stE[W_1^2] \\ &\quad \text{using } \text{Cov}[W_s W_t] = E[W_s W_t] = \min\{s, t\} \\ &= \min\{s, t\} - ts - st + st \\ &= s \wedge t - st \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

4. As W_t is continuous everywhere then X_t is continuous.

5. X_t is a linear combination of W_t that by definition is Gaussian, as a consequence X_t is Gaussian.

Second Brownian bridge. $Y_t = (1-t)W_{t/(1-t)}$ and $Y_1 = 0$.

1. $Y_0 = Y_1 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_0 &= W_0 = 0 \\ &\text{and by definition} \\ Y_1 &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

2. $E[Y_t] = 0$.

By definition $E[W_t] = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y_t] &= E[(1-t)W_{t/(1-t)}] \\ &= (1-t) \cdot E[W_{t/(1-t)}] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

3. $\text{Cov}(Y_s, Y_t) = s \wedge t - st$.

From the previous numeral $E[Y_t] = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(Y_s, Y_t) &= E[Y_s \cdot Y_t] - E[Y_s]E[Y_t] \\ &= E[(1-s)W_{s/(1-s)} \cdot (1-t)W_{t/(1-t)}] \\ &= E[W_{s/(1-s)}W_{t/(1-t)}(1-t-s+st)] \\ &= (1-t-s+st)E[W_{s/(1-s)}W_{t/(1-t)}] \\ &\text{using } \text{Cov}(W_{s/(1-s)}, W_{t/(1-t)}) = E[W_{s/(1-s)}W_{t/(1-t)}] \\ &\quad E[W_{s/(1-s)}W_{t/(1-t)}] = \min\{s/(1-s), t/(1-t)\} \\ &\text{assuming } s < t \rightarrow s/(1-s) < t/(1-t) \\ &= (1-t-s+st) \left(\frac{s}{1-s} \right) \\ &= (1-t)(1-s) \left(\frac{s}{1-s} \right) \\ &= s(1-t) \\ &\quad \text{assuming } s < t \\ &= \min\{s, t\} - st \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

4. The only discontinuity occurs at $t = 1$, where $W_{t/(1-t)}$ is undefined. However by definition $Y_1 = 0$ in consequence as $W_{t/(1-t)}$ is continuous everywhere else then Y_t is continuous.

5. Y_t is a linear combination of W_t that by definition is Gaussian, as a consequence Y_t is Gaussian.

Problem 2

From ASA, problem 6.9

Construct the Karhunen-Loève expansion for the Brownian bridge and Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process for $t \in [0, 1]$.

The Karhunen-Loève eigenvalues λ_k , and eigenvectors ϕ_k expansion for a Wiener process W_t are presented below.

$$\lambda_k = \frac{1}{\left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi} \quad (6)$$

$$\phi_k(s) = \sqrt{2} \sin \left(\left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right) \pi s \right)$$

The reconstruction of the Wiener process W_t , is given by equation below.

$$W_t = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_k \lambda_k \phi_k(t)$$

A Brownian bridge X_t satisfies $E[X_t] = 0$ and $K(s, t) = \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) = \min\{s, t\} - st$.

The eigenvalue problem for the Karhunen-Loève expansion for a Brownian bridge is presented below. I first expand the integral defining the eigenvalue problem. Note that the first integral correspond to the eigenvalue problem of a Wiener process whose eigenvalues and eigenvectors I presented in equation 6.

$$\int_0^1 (\min\{s, t\} - st) \phi_k(t) dt = \lambda_k \phi(s)$$

$$\int_0^1 \min\{s, t\} \phi_k(t) dt - \int_0^1 st \phi_k(t) dt = \lambda_k \phi(s)$$

$$\int_0^s t \phi_k(t) dt + \int_s^1 s \phi_k(t) dt - \int_0^1 st \phi_k(t) dt = \lambda_k \phi(s)$$

taking the derivative respect to s

$$\frac{d}{ds} \left(\int_0^s t \phi_k(t) dt \right) + \frac{d}{ds} \left(\int_s^1 s \phi_k(t) dt \right) - \frac{d}{ds} \left(\int_0^1 st \phi_k(t) dt \right) = \frac{d}{ds} (\lambda_k \phi(s)) \quad (7)$$

$$\cancel{s \phi_k(s)} + \left(\int_s^1 \phi_k(t) dt - \cancel{s \phi_k(s)} \right) - \int_0^1 t \phi_k(t) dt = \lambda_k \frac{d \phi_k(s)}{ds}$$

taking the derivative again respect to s

$$\frac{d}{ds} \left(\int_s^1 \phi_k(t) dt \right) - \frac{d}{ds} \left(\int_0^1 t \phi_k(t) dt \right) = \lambda_k \frac{d^2 \phi_k(s)}{ds^2}$$

$$-\phi_k(s) = \lambda_k \frac{d^2 \phi_k(s)}{ds^2}$$

In fact as presented in the previous equations, the eigenvalue problem after taking the derivative two times is the same obtained for a Wiener process W_t . The function of the eigenvectors is presented in Equation below.

$$\phi_k(t) = A \sin\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right)$$

The restriction to find the values of λ_k , A and B are presented in the list below.

- Replacing $s = 0$ in the eigenvalue problem.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_k \phi_k(0) &= 0 \\ \lambda_k \left[A \sin\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) \right] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $\lambda_k = 0$, the eigenvalue problem is not satisfied as ϕ_k is undefined and thus $\lambda_k \neq 0$. In consequence for $t = 0$, $\phi_k(0) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} A \sin\left(\frac{0}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) + B \cos\left(\frac{0}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) &= 0 \\ B &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvectors simplify to the equation presented below.

$$\phi_k(t) = A \sin\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right)$$

- Replacing $s = 1$ in the eigenvalue problem, and assuming again $\lambda_k \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_k(s) &= 0 \\ A \sin\left(\frac{0}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Replacing in after the first derivative respect to s . And

$$\int_s^1 \phi_k(t) dt - \int_0^1 t \phi_k(t) dt = \lambda_k \frac{d\phi_k}{ds}$$

$$\frac{d\phi_k}{ds} = \frac{A}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}} \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right)$$

$$\int \phi_k(t) dt = \int A \sin\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) dt = -A\sqrt{\lambda_k} \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \phi_k(t) dt &= -A\sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) \Big|_{s=s}^{s=1} = -A\sqrt{\lambda} \left[\cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) \right] \\ \int t \phi_k(t) dt &= \int t A \sin\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}}\right) dt = A \left(\lambda \sin\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) - s\sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) \right) \\ A \left(\lambda \sin\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) - s\sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) \right) \Big|_{s=0}^{s=1} &= A \left(\lambda \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) - \sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) \right)\end{aligned}$$

Replacing all the expressions together, I used wolfram here.

$$\sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) - \lambda \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right) = \sqrt{\lambda} \cos\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right)$$

In consequence $\sin(1/\sqrt{\lambda}) = 0$, and thus $1/\sqrt{\lambda} = k \cdot \pi$, $k = 0, 1, \dots$. The eigenvalues λ_k are presented below.

$$\lambda_k = \frac{1}{\pi^2 k^2}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (8)$$

The eigenfunctions and eigenvalues are presented below

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_k(t) &= A \sin(tk\pi) \\ \lambda_k &= \frac{1}{k^2 \lambda^2}\end{aligned}$$

The value of A is computed using the normalization $\int \phi_k(t)^2 dt = 1$. I present this calculation below.

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \sin^2(tk\pi) dt &= \frac{1}{A^2} \\ \frac{1}{k\pi} \int_0^{k\pi} \sin^2(z) dz &= \frac{1}{k\pi} \int_0^{k\pi} \frac{1 - \cos(2z)}{2} dz \\ \frac{1}{4k\pi} \int_0^{2k\pi} (1 - \cos(u)) du &= \frac{1}{4k\pi} (2k\pi \sin(2k\pi)) \\ \frac{1}{4k\pi} (2k\pi \sin(2k\pi)) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{A^2} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ A &= \sqrt{2}\end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

The eigenfunctions and eigenvalues are presented below.

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_k(t) &= \sqrt{2} \sin(tk\pi) \\ \lambda_k &= \frac{1}{k^2 \pi^2}\end{aligned}$$

The Brownian bridge X_t can be reconstructed as shown below.

$$X_t = \sum_k \alpha_k \sqrt{\frac{1}{k^2 \pi^2}} \sqrt{2} \sin(tk\pi)$$

$$X_t = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \sum_k \frac{\alpha_k}{k} \sin(tk\pi)$$

The Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process for $t \in [0, 1]$ covariance function is presented below.

$$K(s, t) = \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{|t-s|}{\eta}}$$

The eigenvalue problem is presented in equation below. For simplicity I don't consider the term σ^2 , however it will be absorbed in the eigenvalues λ .

$$\int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{|t-s|}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \lambda \phi(t)$$

Expanding the left hand side for $s < t$ and $s \geq t$.

$$\int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \lambda \phi(t)$$

Taking the derivative respect to t , I use here $\phi(0) = 0$.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \frac{-1}{\eta} \int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \phi(t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \left(\frac{1}{\eta}\right) \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds - \phi(t)$$

Putting together both expressions we have.

$$-\frac{1}{\eta} \int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \frac{1}{\eta} \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \lambda \frac{d\phi(t)}{dt}$$

$$\frac{1}{\eta} \left(- \int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds \right) = \lambda \frac{d\phi(t)}{dt}$$

Taking the derivative respect to t again. Note here that the sign of the first integral changed so a factor of $-2\phi(t)$ will appear when summing the derivative of both integrals.

$$\frac{1}{\eta} \left(-2\phi(t) + \frac{1}{\eta} \int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \frac{1}{\eta} \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds \right) = \lambda \frac{d^2\phi(t)}{dt^2}$$

$$\int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{t-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds + \int_t^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s-t}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds = \eta^2 \lambda \frac{d^2\phi(t)}{dt^2} + 2\eta \phi(t)$$

Note that the left side of this equation was exactly the eigenvalue problem after splitting $|t - s|$. Replacing this left side with $\lambda \phi(t)$ results in differential equation presented below.

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda \phi(t) &= \eta^2 \lambda \frac{d^2 \phi(t)}{dt^2} + 2\eta \phi(t) \\ 0 &= \frac{d^2 \phi(t)}{dt^2} + \phi(t) \left(\frac{2\eta - \lambda}{\lambda \eta^2} \right)\end{aligned}\tag{10}$$

Defining $\omega^2 = (\eta - \lambda)/(\lambda \eta^2)$ and again I try solutions of the form presented below.

$$\phi(t) = A \cos(\omega t) + B \sin(\omega t)$$

The first and second derivative of $\phi(t)$ are presented below.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\phi}{dt} &= \omega (-A \sin(\omega t) + B \cos(\omega t)) \\ \frac{d^2 \phi}{dt^2} &= \omega^2 (-A \cos(\omega t) - B \sin(\omega t))\end{aligned}\tag{11}$$

The boundary conditions are obtaining from the first derivative and the original eigenfunction as shown below.

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda \phi(0) &= \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds \\ \lambda \phi(1) &= \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{1-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds \\ \lambda \frac{d\phi(0)}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\eta} \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds \\ \lambda \frac{d\phi(1)}{dt} &= \frac{1}{\eta} \int_0^1 \exp\left(-\frac{1-s}{\eta}\right) \phi(s) ds\end{aligned}\tag{12}$$

This correspond to the system of equations presented below.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \phi(0) - \frac{1}{\eta} \phi(0) &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{dt} \phi(1) + \frac{1}{\eta} \phi(1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Replacing the derivatives is shown below.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{A}{\eta} - B\omega &= 0 \\ A(1/\eta - \omega \tan \omega) + B(1/\eta \tan \omega + \omega) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

The system can be expressed in Matrix form as shown below.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/\eta & \omega \\ 1/\eta - \omega \tan \omega & 1/\eta \tan \omega + \omega \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

I assume solution for $\omega = k\pi$, $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ as in the previous problem. This result in a solution for B as presented below

$$B = A \frac{1/\eta}{k\pi}$$

This also assume the eigenvalues follow the form presented below.

$$\omega^2 = k^2 \pi^2 = \frac{2\eta - \lambda}{\lambda \eta^2}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\eta}{k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 1}$$

Using the normalization condition

$$\int_0^1 \phi^2(t) dt = 1$$

Solving for A it results in the expression below

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2}{k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 2\eta + 1}}$$

$$B = \frac{A}{k\pi\eta}$$

$$B = \sqrt{\frac{2}{2\eta + k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 1}}$$

The eigen-function and eigenvalues are presented below

$$\phi_k(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2}{k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 2\eta + 1}} \sin(k\pi t) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{2\eta + k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 1}} \cos(k\pi t)$$

$$\lambda_k = \frac{2\eta}{k^2 \pi^2 \eta^2 + 1}$$

Problem 3

From ASA, problem 6.10. There's a typo in 6.10(c). I think they meant to ask for

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\left(\frac{W_s - sW_T}{T} \right) \left(\frac{W(t) - tW_T}{T} \right) \middle| W_T \right] \quad (13)$$

with $s \leq t \leq T$.

For the standard Wiener process $\{W_t\}$, we can define the conditional distribution of W_t for $0 \leq t \leq T$. Prove the following assertions:

- (a) The distribution of $(W_{t_1}, W_{t_2}, \dots, W_{t_k} | W_T)$ is Gaussian.

A Wiener process satisfy independence of increments, $W_v - W_u$, $W_t - W_s$ are independent whenever $u \leq v \leq s \leq t$, such that intervals (u, v) , (s, t) are disjoint.

Using Bayes the density $p(W_{t_1}, W_{t_2}, \dots, W_{t_k} | W_T)$ can be written as shown below.

$$p(W_{t_1}, W_{t_2}, \dots, W_{t_k} | W_T) = \frac{1}{p(W_T)} p(W_T | W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k}) \cdot p(W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k}) \quad (14)$$

As $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq t_3 \leq \dots \leq T$, and by definition increments of disjoint time intervals are independent one can write W_T as the sum of independent increases. The independent increases are the set defined by $[W_0, W_{t_1} - W_{t_0}, W_{t_2} - W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k} - W_{t_{k-1}}]$.

$$W_T = (W_{t_k} - W_{t_{k-1}}) + (W_{t_{k-1}} - W_{t_{k-2}}) + \dots + (W_{t_1} - W_{t_0}) + W_{t_0}$$

$$W_T = \sum_{k=0}^T (W_{k+1} - W_k) + W_0$$

By definition $(W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k}) \sim N(0, \delta t)$. Also $W_T \sim N(0, T)$.

From equation 15 $p(W_T | W_{t_k}, \dots, W_{t_1}) = p(W_T | W_{t_k})$ by the Markov property and joint transition density $P(W_{t_k}, W_{t_{k-1}}, \dots, W_{t_1})$ can be written as shown below, again as increments are independent

$$P(W_{t_k}, W_{t_{k-1}}, \dots, W_{t_1}) = P(W_{t_k} | W_{t_{k-1}}) P(W_{t_{k-1}} | W_{t_{k-2}}) \times \dots \times P(W_{t_2} | W_{t_1}) P(W_{t_1} | 0)$$

Replacing this expression Eq. 15 we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k} | W_T) &= \frac{1}{p(T)} p(W_T | W_{t_k}) \times p(W_{t_k} | W_{t_{k-1}}) \times \dots \times p(W_{t_2} | W_{t_1}) p(W_{t_1} | W_{t_0}) \\ p(W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k} | W_T) &= \frac{1}{p(T)} \prod_{t=t_0}^T p(W_{t+1} | W_t) \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

The two point transition density from $t_{k-1} \rightarrow t_k$ is by definition Gaussian with mean zero and variance $\delta t = t_k - t_{k-1}$.

$$p(W_{t_k}|W_{t_{k-1}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\delta t}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(W_{t_k} - W_{t_{k-1}})^2}{\delta t}\right)$$

Thus $p(W_T|W_{t_k}) \times p(W_{t_k}|W_{t_{k-1}}) \times \dots \times p(W_{t_2}|W_{t_1})p(W_{t_1}|W_{t_0})$ is a product of Gaussians. Also note that $p(W_T)$ is a Gaussian. In expression below I present the expression for the joint distribution $\prod_{t=t_0}^T p(W_{t+1}|W_t)$ ($p(W_{t+1}|W_t) \sim N(0, \delta t_k)$ and for $p(T) \sim N(0, T)$). Define the set $\mathcal{T} = \{t_0, t_1, t_2, \dots, T\}$ and let $t+1$ be the position after position t in the set, such that if $t = t_k$ then $t+1 = t_{k+1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} p(T) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi T}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{W_T^2}{T}\right) \\ \prod_{t \in \mathcal{T}} p(W_{t+1}|W_t) &= \prod_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\delta t}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(W_{t+1} - W_t)^2}{\delta t}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{(W_{t+1} - W_t)^2}{\delta t}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where Z is the normalization factor, presented below. I assumed the δt , that are the differences between consecutive timesteps are not equal so $t_{i+1} - t_i \neq t_{k+1} - t_k$ if $k \neq i$.

$$Z = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^{|\mathcal{T}|} \frac{1}{\prod_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \delta t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(W_{t_1}, \dots, W_{t_k}|W_T) &= \frac{1}{p(T)} \prod_{t=t_0}^T p(W_{t+1}|W_t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi T}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{W_T^2}{T}\right)} \cdot \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{(W_{t+1} - W_t)^2}{\delta t}\right) \quad (16) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi T}}{Z} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{(W_{t+1} - W_t)^2}{\delta t} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{W_T^2}{T}\right) \end{aligned}$$

(b) The condition mean function.

$$E(W_t|W_T) = \frac{t}{T} W_T$$

The density $p(W_t|W_T)$ was computed in the previous numeral and is presented below.

$$\begin{aligned} p(W_t|W_T) &= \frac{1}{p(W_T)} \cdot p(W_T|W_t)p(W_t) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi T}}{2\pi\sqrt{(T-t)(t-0)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(W_T - W_t)^2}{(T-t)} + \frac{(W_t - W_0)^2}{(t-0)} - \frac{W_T^2}{T}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{T}{t(T-t)}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(W_T - W_t)^2}{T-t} + \frac{W_t^2}{t} - \frac{W_T^2}{T}\right)\right] \quad (17) \end{aligned}$$

Expanding the term inside the exponential to obtain the conditional mean we have. For simplicity denote $x = W_t$ and $y = W_T$.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(W_T - W_t)^2}{T-t} + \frac{W_t^2}{t} - \frac{W_T^2}{T} \\
& - \frac{x^2}{2(T-t)} + \frac{xy}{T-t} - \frac{y^2}{2(T-t)} - \frac{x^2}{2t} \\
& x^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2(T-t)} - \frac{1}{2t} \right) + \frac{xy}{T-t} - \frac{y^2}{2(T-t)} \\
& \left(x^2 - \frac{2ty}{T}x \right) \frac{T}{2t^2 - 2tT} + \frac{ty^2}{2t^2 - 2tT} \\
& \text{completing the square for } x \\
& \left[\left(x - \frac{t}{T}y \right)^2 + \left(\frac{t}{T}y \right)^2 \right] \frac{T}{2t^2 - 2tT} + \frac{ty^2}{2t^2 - 2tT} \\
& \left[\left(W_t - \frac{t}{T}W_T \right)^2 + \left(\frac{t}{T}W_T \right)^2 \right] \frac{T}{2t^2 - 2tT} + \frac{tW_T^2}{2t^2 - 2tT}
\end{aligned}$$

All the terms that are not $\left(W_t - \frac{t}{T}W_T \right)^2$ can be taken out of the exponential and contribute to the covariance. As a consequence the conditional expectation must satisfy.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(W_t - \frac{t}{T}W_T \right)^2 = 0 \\
& E[W_t|W_T] = \frac{t}{T}W_T
\end{aligned}$$

The complete distribution $p(W_t|W_T)$ is presented below.

(c) The conditional covariance function

$$E(W_s W_t | W_T) = \frac{s(T-t)}{T}$$

If $T = 1$ and $W_T = 0$, we obtain exactly the Brownian bridge.

From the previous point $E_t = E[W_t|W_T] = \frac{t}{T}W_T$ and $E_s = E[W_s|W_T] = \frac{s}{T}W_T$.

$$\begin{aligned}
E[(W_t - E_t)(W_s - E_s)|W_T] &= E[W_t W_s - E_s W_t - E_t W_s + E_t E_s | W_T] \\
&= E[W_t W_s | W_T] - E_s E[W_t | W_T] - E_t E[W_s | W_T] + E[E_t E_s | W_T] \\
&= E[W_t W_s | W_T] - E_s E_t - \cancel{E_t W_s} + \cancel{E_t E_s} \\
&= E[W_t W_s | W_T] - E_s E_t
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Below I present the calculation of $E[W_s W_t | W_T]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
E[W_s W_t | W_T] &= E[E[W_s W_t | W_t, W_T] | W_T] \\
&= E[E[W_s W_t | W_t] | W_T] \\
&= E[W_t E[W_s | W_t] | W_T] \\
&= E[W_t \frac{s}{t} W_t | W_T] \\
&= \frac{s}{t} E[W_t^2 | W_T]
\end{aligned}$$

To compute the second moment I use the Bayesian approach from the last point. Where $p(W_t | W_T)$ can be expressed as shown below.

$$p(W_t | W_T) = \frac{1}{p(W_T)} p(W_T | W_t) p(W_t)$$

The second moment $\frac{s}{t} E[W_t^2 | W_T]$ can be computed from the mean and variance. Additionally from the previous point we know the variance is given

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}[W_t | W_T] &= \frac{t(T-t)}{T} \\
\text{Var}[W_t | W_T] &= E[W_t^2 | W_T] - E[W_t | W_T]^2
\end{aligned}$$

The second moment in terms of the mean and variance will be

$$\begin{aligned}
E[W_t^2 | W_T] &= \text{Var}[W_t | W_T] + E[W_t | W_T]^2 \\
&= \frac{t(T-t)}{T} + \frac{t^2}{T^2} W_T^2
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing in the expression for the covariance. $\frac{s}{t} E[W_t^2 | W_T]$ is shown below. Recall that $E_s = E[W_s | W_T]$ and $E_t = E[W_t | W_T]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}(W_s, W_t | W_T) &= E[W_s W_t | W_T] - E_s E_t \\
&= \frac{s}{t} \left(\frac{t(T-t)}{t} - \frac{t^2}{T^2} W_T^2 \right) - \frac{st W_T^2}{T^2} \\
&= \frac{s(T-t)}{T} - \cancel{\frac{st}{T^2} W_T^2} - \cancel{\frac{st W_T^2}{T^2}} \\
\text{Cov}(W_s, W_t | W_T) &= \frac{s(T-t)}{T}
\end{aligned}$$

If $T = 1$ and $W_T = 0$ then the covariance is $\text{Cov}(W_s, W_t | W_T = 0) = \min\{s, t\} - st$. And thus satisfy $W_0 = W_1 = 0$, and the covariance is the same one of a Brownian bridge. We already show that is Gaussian

Problem 4

From ASA, problem 7.3

Prove that with the midpoint approximation

$$\int_0^t W_s dW_s \approx \sum_j W_{t_j + \frac{1}{2}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \rightarrow \frac{W_t^2}{2}$$

and with the rightmost approximation

$$\int_0^t W_s dW_s \approx \sum_j W_{t_{j+1}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \rightarrow \frac{W_t^2}{2} + \frac{t}{2}$$

in L_ω^2 as the subdivision $|\Delta| \rightarrow 0$.

Midpoint approximation

$$\int_0^t W_s dW_s \approx \sum_j W_{t_j + \frac{1}{2}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \rightarrow \frac{W_t^2}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t W_s dW_s &\approx \sum_j W_{t_j + \frac{1}{2}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \\ &= \sum_j W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}}) + \sum_j W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} (W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} - W_{t_j}) \\ &= \sum_j (W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} - W_{t_j})^2 \end{aligned}$$

by definition this increments are normal and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[(W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} - W_{t_j})^2 \right] &= \Delta t_j^{j+1/2} = t_{j+\frac{1}{2}} - t_j \\ &= \sum_j \Delta t_j^{j+1/2} = \frac{t}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Rightmost approximation

$$W_{t_{j+\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2}(W_{t_{j+1}} + W_{t_j}) - \frac{1}{2}(W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t W_s dW_s &\approx \sum_j W_{t_{j+1}} (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \rightarrow \frac{W_t^2}{2} + \frac{t}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_j (W_{t_{j+1}} + W_{t_j})(W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_j (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j})(W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}) \end{aligned}$$

The first sum is a telescopic sum in where

$$(x_0 - x_1) + (x_1 - x_2) + \dots + (x_{n-2} - x_{n-1}) + (x_{n-1} - x_n) = x_0 - x_n$$

The first sum is shown below. Note that by definition $W_0 = 0$.

$$\frac{1}{2}(W_{t_{n+1}}^2 - W_0^2)$$

The second sum is the magnitude of the approximation.

$$\frac{1}{2}(W_{t_{j+1}} - W_j)(W_{t_{j+1}} + W_j) = (W_{t_{j+1}} - W_j)^2$$

By definition the increases $W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}$ are independent and are normally distributed, and the expected value is $E[W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}] = \Delta t = t_{j+1} - t_j$, and the variance $\text{Var}[W_{t_{j+1}} - W_{t_j}] = 2\Delta t^2$. The variance of the sum is presented below.

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum \Delta W\right) = 2\Delta t \left(\sum \Delta t\right) = 2\Delta t t_n \leq 2t2^{-n}$$

In consequence as the $n \rightarrow \infty$ the sum $\sum \Delta W \rightarrow t$

$$\int_0^t W_s dW_s = \frac{1}{2}W_t^2 - \frac{1}{2}t$$