

Assignment - HW 8

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4.66 Derive skewness of Brownian motion.

$$E[S_t^3] = e^{3\sigma^2 t}$$
$$\text{Skew}[S_t] = \frac{1}{\sigma^3} [e^{3\sigma^2 t} - 3e^{\sigma^2 t} + 2]$$

Ans)

$$\begin{aligned} & E[(S_t - E(S_t))^3] \\ &= E[(S_t - 1)^3] \\ &= E[S_t^3 - 3S_t^2 + 3S_t - 1] \\ &= E[S_t^3] - E[1] - E[3S_t^2] + 3E[S_t] \\ &= e^{3\sigma^2 t} - 1 - 3e^{\sigma^2 t} + 3 \\ &= e^{3\sigma^2 t} - 3e^{\sigma^2 t} + 2 \end{aligned}$$

Since $E[S_t] = 1$ (from above)

$$\therefore \text{Skew}[S_t] = \frac{1}{\sigma^3} [e^{3\sigma^2 t} - 3e^{\sigma^2 t} + 2]$$

4.67 $\text{Skew}[S_t] = \frac{1}{\sigma^3} [1 + 3\sigma^2 t - 3 - 3\sigma^2 t + 2] \rightarrow 0$

Ans)

$$e^x \approx 1 + x$$

where $x \ll 1$

therefore skew(S_t)

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma^3} (1 + 3\sigma^2 t - 3(1 + \sigma^2 t) + 2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma^3} \times 0$$

$$= 0$$

(hence proved)

4.68

$$E[S_t^4] = e^{6\sigma^2 t}$$

$$\text{Kurt}[S_t] = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} [e^{6\sigma^2 t} - (e^{3\sigma^2 t})^2 + 6e^{\sigma^2 t} - 3]$$

Ans)

$$\begin{aligned} & E[(S_t - E(S_t))^4] \\ &= E[(S_t - 1)^4] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= E[S_t^4 - 4S_t^3 + 6S_t^2 - 4S_t + 1] \\
 &= e^{6\sigma^2 t} - 4e^{3\sigma^2 t} + 6e^{\sigma^2 t} - 4 + 1 \\
 &= e^{6\sigma^2 t} - 4e^{3\sigma^2 t} + 6e^{\sigma^2 t} - 3
 \end{aligned}$$

hence proved.

$$\begin{aligned}
 4.69 \quad \text{kurt}[S_t] &= \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} [1 + 6\sigma^2 t - 4 - 12\sigma^2 t + 6 + 6\sigma^2 t - 3] \rightarrow 0 \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} (1 + 6\sigma^2 t - 4(1 + 3\sigma^2 t) + 6(1 + \sigma^2 t) - 3) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_t^4} \times 0 \quad (\text{from above}) \\
 &= 0 \quad \text{hence, proved.}
 \end{aligned}$$