

Ito formula:

Let semi-MG $\{X_t\}$, $f \in C^2$, then

$$df(X_t) = f'(X_t) dX_t + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} f''(X_t) d\langle X, X \rangle_t}_{\text{Ito correction}}$$

in integral form, $X_t = \int_0^t df(X_s)$

(actually well-

defined)

$$= \int_0^t f'(X_s) dX_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f''(X_s) d\langle X, X \rangle_s$$

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generalized to

$$f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \in C^{1,2},$$

meaning $df(t, X_t) = \dots$

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generalized to multi-dimensional
setting where $\{X_t\}$ takes values
in \mathbb{R}^d

e.g.: X, Y indep BM, $R_t^2 = X_t^2 + Y_t^2$, show that

$$Z_t = \int_0^t \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s + \int_0^t \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \text{ is BM.}$$

$$\text{Show that } R_t^2 = 2 \int_0^t R_s dZ_s + z_t.$$

pf: filtration $\mathcal{F}_t^Z = \sigma(X_s, Y_s : s \in [0, t])$, $\{Z_t\}$ adapted to $\{\mathcal{F}_t^Z\}$ and is a cts MG.

Ito integral,
check that $\forall t$,

$$|E\left\langle \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s \right\rangle_t| < \infty$$

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$$\int_0^t |E\left(\frac{X_s}{R_s}\right)^2 ds \quad \checkmark$$

By Levy's characterization, suffices to check

$$\langle Z, Z \rangle_t = t.$$

$$\langle Z, Z \rangle_t = \left\langle \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s \right\rangle_t +$$

$$2 \cdot \underbrace{\left\langle \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \right\rangle_t}_{} = 0 \text{ since}$$

$$+ \left\langle \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s, \int_0^{\cdot} \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \right\rangle_t \quad \langle X, Y \rangle_s = 0.$$

$$= \int_0^t \left(\frac{X_s}{R_s} \right)^2 ds + \int_0^t \left(\frac{Y_s}{R_s} \right)^2 ds = t \quad \checkmark$$

$(X_s^2 + Y_s^2 = R_s^2)$

$$R_t^2 = f(X_t, Y_t), \quad f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \in C^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ito: } dR_t^2 &= 2X_t dX_t + 2Y_t dY_t + \\ &\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot d\langle X, X \rangle_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 0 \cdot d\langle X, Y \rangle_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot d\langle Y, Y \rangle_t \\ &= 2X_t dX_t + 2Y_t dY_t + 2dt \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides:

$$\begin{aligned} R_t^2 - R_0^2 &= 2 \cdot \left(\int_0^t X_s dX_s + \int_0^t Y_s dY_s \right) + 2t \\ &= 2 \cdot \left(\int_0^t R_s d\tilde{Z}_s \right) + 2t \\ &\quad (\tilde{R}_t d\tilde{Z}_t = X_t dX_t + Y_t dY_t \text{ proved}) \end{aligned}$$

Remark: For SDE $dR_t^2 = 2R_t dW_t + 2dt$,
there exists a weak solution under $W_t = \tilde{Z}_t$,

$\tilde{S}_t = \tilde{S}_0 \tilde{Z}_t$ given by the construction above.

However, it's not guaranteed that a strong
solution (pathwise) exists!

e.g: $\begin{cases} dX_t = dW_t \\ X_0 = 0 \end{cases}$ Strong solution: $X_t = W_t$

Weak solution: $\begin{cases} (\tilde{X}_t = B_t, \tilde{W}_t = B_t, \tilde{\xi}_t = \xi(B_s : s \in [0, t])) \\ (\tilde{X}_t = -B_t, \tilde{W}_t = -B_t, \tilde{\xi}_t = \xi(B_s : s \in [0, t])) \end{cases}$

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can change probability space,
BM, and filtration.

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 $P(B_t = -B_t) = 0$

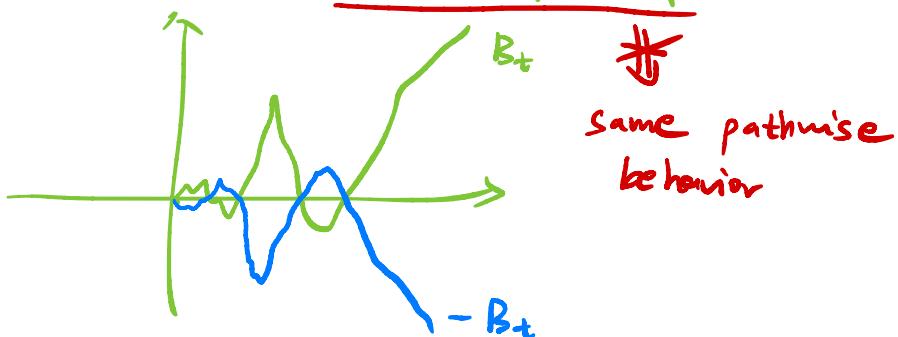
{ Strong solution is unique

Weak solution not unique, even zero probability of taking the same value at a fixed time!

However, weak solution unique under the sense of finite-dim dist since

$$\{B_t\} \stackrel{d}{=} \{-B_t\}$$

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same finite-dim
dist, both BM



Another example showing problems caused by measurability:

e.g.: $\{W_t\}$ BM, then time-reversal $\{t \cdot W_{\frac{1}{t}}\}$ is BM.

Easily proved by viewing as a GP.

However, what's the filtration of $Y_t = t \cdot W_{\frac{1}{t}}$,

it's $\mathcal{G}_t^Y = \sigma(W_s : s \in [\frac{1}{t}, +\infty))$

cost of time reversal.

Obviously, $\{Y_t\}$ is MG under $\{\mathcal{G}_t^Y\}$ but not MG under $\{\mathcal{G}_t^W\}$ since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IE}(Y_1 | \mathcal{G}_1^W) &= 2 \cdot \text{IE}(W_{\frac{1}{2}} | \mathcal{G}_1^W) \\ &= 2W_{\frac{1}{2}} \neq W_1 = Y_1. \end{aligned}$$



a way to prove $\{\mathcal{G}_t^W\} \neq \{\mathcal{G}_t^Y\}$

you may see this in the qual!

e.g.: Find SDE of the following process:

(a): $X_t = \frac{1}{1+t} W_t = f(t, W_t)$

where $f(t, x) = \frac{1}{1+t} x$

$$dX_t = -\frac{X_t}{(1+t)^2} dt + \frac{1}{1+t} dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 \cdot d\langle W, W \rangle_t$$

(b): $X_t = \sin W_t = f(W_t)$

where $f(x) = \sin x$

$$dX_t = \cos W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-\sin W_t) d\langle W, W \rangle_t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sin W_t dt + \cos W_t dW_t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} X_t dt + \cos W_t dW_t$$

(c): $\begin{cases} X_t = a \cos W_t & \frac{X_t^2}{a^2} + \frac{Y_t^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ (ellipse)} \\ Y_t = b \sin W_t & (ab \neq 0) \end{cases}$

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = -a \sin W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} (-a \cos W_t) dt \\ dY_t = b \cos W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} (-b \sin W_t) dt \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} dX_t \\ dY_t \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{a}{b} \\ \frac{b}{a} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} dW_t$$

Solve SDE:

OU dynamics

e.g.: $dX_t = -P_t X_t dt + \sigma dW_t$ where X_t takes value in \mathbb{R}^n , P_t is deterministic and takes value in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, W is BM on \mathbb{R}^n .

Assumption: $\forall s, t \in [0, T], P_t$ commute with P_s .

necessary!

pf:

first solve ODE $dX_t = -P_t X_t dt$

here we need commutative assumption to get

$$X_t = C \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}$$

o.w. this matrix exponential is wrong!

Then change C from constant to a process $\{C_t\}$,

$$X_t = C_t \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds},$$

Ito: $dX_t = e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds} dC_t + C_t \cdot de^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}$

$$+ d \langle C, e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds} \rangle_t$$

finite variation

$$= 0$$

$$= e^{-\int_0^t p_s ds} dC_t - \underbrace{p_t \cdot c_t \cdot e^{-\int_0^t p_s ds}}_{X_t} dt$$

original
SDE

$$= -p_t X_t dt + \sigma dW_t$$

Get: $dC_t = e^{\int_0^t p_s ds} \cdot \sigma dW_t$

$$C_t = C + \underbrace{\int_0^t e^{\int_0^s p_u du} \cdot \sigma \cdot dW_s}_{\text{some deterministic constant } C_0}$$

$S_0: X_t = C \cdot e^{-\int_0^t p_u du} + \sigma \cdot \int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t p_u du} dW_s$

match initial condition X_0



$$X_t = X_0 \cdot e^{-\int_0^t p_u du} + \sigma \cdot \int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t p_u du} dW_s$$

dist: $X_t \sim N(X_0 \cdot e^{-\int_0^t p_u du}, \sigma^2 \cdot \int_0^t e^{-2 \int_s^t p_u du} ds)$