

Exercise sheet 8

supporting the lecture Mathematical Finance and Stochastic Integration

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Exercise 29. (4 points)

Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Brownian motion and τ a stopping time. Compute $\mu_B([0, \tau])$.

Hint: Approximate τ by bounded stopping times τ_m and use the isometry from Theorem 4.27 for $\mathbb{1}_{[0, \tau_m]}$.

Exercise 30. (4 points)

Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a (right-continuous) local L^2 -martingale and $(H_t)_{t \geq 0}$ a locally bounded \mathcal{P} -measurable process. Prove

$$H \in \mathcal{L}(X).$$

Exercise 31. (4 points)

Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a (right-continuous) local L^2 -martingale with localizing sequence $(\tau_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. Let

$$((X_{t \wedge \tau_n})^2)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$$

be uniformly integrable for any $t \geq 0$. Prove, that X is a L^2 -martingale.

Hint: 1. You may use without proof, that Theorem 2.24 also holds with L^1 replaced by L^2 and $(X_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ uniformly integrable replaced by $((X_n)^2)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ uniformly integrable.
2. The conditional expectation $\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{F}]$ is the best L^2 -approximation to Y within the set $\mathcal{M} = \{Z|Z \text{ is } \mathcal{F}\text{-measurable}\}$, i.e.

$$\mathbb{E}[(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{F}])^2] = \min_{Z \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbb{E}[(Y - Z)^2].$$

Exercise 32. (4 points)

a) Prove, that every non-negative local martingale is a super martingale.

Hint: Fatou's lemma also holds for conditional expectations.

b) Prove that a non-negative local martingale $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ with $X_0 = 0$ is almost surely identical to zero ($X_t = 0$ a.s. for all $t \geq 0$).