

Exercise I: $T > 0$; $\sigma, \beta, \alpha : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: deterministic
measurable and bounded; B is a Real standard & C^0 BM;

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = \alpha(t)dt + \beta(t)X_t dt + \sigma(t)dB_t & 0 \leq t \leq T ; \\ X_0 = x_0 \in \mathbb{R} . \end{cases}$$

1) In our case:
$$\begin{cases} b(t, x) = \alpha(t) + \beta(t)x \\ \sigma(t, x) = \sigma(t) \\ x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

* $b(t, x)$: • Measurable since it's the sum of 2 meas. fcts.

• sublinear growth: let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $t \in [0, T]$,

$$|b(t, x)| = |\alpha(t) + \beta(t)x| \leq |\alpha(t)| + |\beta(t)||x| \leq M(1 + |x|)$$

where $M = \max \left(\sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\beta(t)|, \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\alpha(t)| \right)$ (it exists since α, β are bdd).

• local Lipschitz continuity: it is indeed Lipschitz continuous since $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \forall t \in [0, \pi], |b(t, x) - b(t, y)| = |\beta(t)(x - y)| \leq L|x - y|$ where $L = \sup_{t \in [0, \pi]} |\beta(t)|$.

* $\Gamma(t, x)$: • Measurable by assumption.

• sublinear growth: $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall t \in [0, T], |\sigma(t, x)| = |\sigma(t)| \leq M_\sigma$ where $M_\sigma = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\sigma(t)|$ (it exists since σ is bdd by assumption).

• local Lipschitz continuity: $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \forall t \in [0, T], |\sigma(t, x) - \sigma(t, y)| = 0 \leq L|x - y|$ with $L = 1$ (for example).

→ we can apply the thm of existence and uniqueness under assumptions (A') and: there exists a strong solution X , pathwise unique. \square

$$2) \begin{cases} dX_t = (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)X_t)dt + \sigma(t)dB_t & 0 \leq t \leq T \\ X(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

- We know that $\exists!$ strong solution: if we find a solution, we are done.
- We want to use a "variation of constant" method.

a) Solve the homogeneous equation associated to SDE:

$$\begin{cases} dY_t = \beta(t)Y_t dt \\ Y(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{The solution in this case is:} \\ Y(t) = x_0 e^{\int_0^t \beta(s) ds} \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \end{array} \right.$$

b) Inspired by a), look for particular solution:

Inspired by a) we look for solution of the form:

$$\begin{cases} X(t) = \tilde{X}(t) e^{\int_0^t \beta(s) ds} \\ X(0) = \tilde{X}(0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

for a certain \tilde{X} we have to determine.

We notice that: $\int \tilde{X}(t) = X(t) e^{-\int_0^t \beta(s) ds} = X(t) e^{-\Lambda(t)};$

$$\tilde{X}(0) = X(0) = x_0$$

We compute the stochastic differential of \tilde{X}^2 :

$$d\tilde{X}_{(t)}^2 = dX_{(t)} e^{-\Lambda(t)} - X_{(t)} \beta(t) e^{-\Lambda(t)} dt$$

$$= e^{-\Lambda(t)} \left(dW + \cancel{\beta(t) X_{(t)} dt} - \cancel{X_{(t)} \beta(t) dt} \right) + \sigma(t) e^{-\Lambda(t)} dB_t$$

$$= e^{-\Lambda(t)} \alpha(t) dt + \sigma(t) e^{-\Lambda(t)} dB_t$$

Magically, it doesn't depend on X .

$$\text{So: } \tilde{X}_{(t)} = x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s) e^{-\Lambda(s)} dB_s$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{X_{(t)} = e^{\Lambda(t)} \tilde{X}_{(t)}} \quad \text{So:}$$

$$\boxed{X(t) = e^{\Lambda(t)} \left(x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s) e^{-\Lambda(s)} dB_s \right)}$$

$$d(e^{-\Lambda(t)} X(t)) = \cancel{e^{-\Lambda(t)}} \alpha(t) dt + \sigma(t) \cancel{e^{-\Lambda(t)}} dB_t$$

|| Itö : $f(t, x) := e^{-\Lambda(t)} x$

$$\left[-\beta(t) \cancel{e^{-\Lambda(t)}} X(t) + (\alpha(t) + \beta(t) X_t) \cdot \cancel{e^{-\Lambda(t)}} \right] dt + \sigma(t) \cancel{e^{-\Lambda(t)}} dB_t$$

$$- \cancel{\beta(t) X(t)} dt + \cancel{\alpha(t)} dt + \cancel{\beta(t) X_t} dt + \sigma(t) dB_t =$$

$$\alpha(t) dt + \sigma(t) dB_t$$

OK.

CHECK THAT $dX(t)$
COINCIDES WITH OUR
SDE

Our unique strong solution (pathwise unique) is:

$$X(t) = e^{-\Lambda(t)} \left(x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB_s \right)$$

□

$$3) \begin{cases} F_1(t) := e^{-\Lambda(t)} \alpha(t) \in M_{loc}^1[0, T] \text{ (since it is continuous)} \\ G_1(t) := e^{-\Lambda(t)} \sigma(t) \in M_{loc}^2[0, T] \text{ (since it is continuous)} \end{cases} \quad \text{So:}$$

$dX_t = F_1(t)dt + G_1(t)dB_t$ and X is then an Ito Process.

- The theorem also tells us that:

$$E \left[\sup_{t \in [0, T]} |X_t|^2 \right] < C(M, T) (1 + |x_0|^2) < +\infty.$$

so $\forall t \in [0, T]$, $E[|X_t|^2] < +\infty$ so $\forall t \in [0, T]$, $E[|X_t|] < +\infty$

so $E[X_t]$ and $\text{Var}(X_t)$ do exist.

- In general, $X(t)$ is not a martingale since the drift is not zero ($F_1(t) \neq 0$). (If $\alpha \equiv \beta \equiv 0$ then the process is a mg).

- It's gaussian: indeed, $e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s)$ is deterministic so $\int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB_s$ is gaussian. $e^{-\Lambda(t)} x_0$ and $e^{-\Lambda(t)} \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds$ are deterministic \Rightarrow they don't change the law of X .

As a conclusion: X is a gaussian process. \square

4) $\langle X \rangle_t$? Directly from the SDE, since X is Itô, we get the diffusion coefficient and: $\langle X \rangle_t = \int_0^t (\sigma(s))^2 ds$. \square

5) $\mu_t = E[x_t]$?

$$\mu_t = e^{\Lambda(t)} x_0 + e^{\Lambda(t)} E \left[\int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds \right] \quad \text{since } G_1(t) \in M^2[0, T]$$

$$\mu_t = e^{\Lambda(t)} x_0 + e^{\Lambda(t)} \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds \quad \text{since } \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds \text{ \& } e^{\Lambda(t)} x_0 \text{ are deterministic.}$$

$$\boxed{\forall t \in [0, T], \quad \mu_t = e^{\Lambda(t)} \left(x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds \right)} \quad \square$$

6) YES,
$$\begin{cases} \frac{d\mu_t}{dt} = \beta(t)\mu_t + \alpha(t) \\ \mu_0 = x_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{WE CAN SHOW THIS BY 2 METHODS.}$$

- 1st METHOD: compute $\frac{d\mu_t}{dt}$ in the previous expression in 5):

$$\frac{d\mu_t}{dt} = \beta(t) e^{\lambda(t)} \left(x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds \right) +$$

$$e^{\lambda(t)} \times e^{-\lambda(t)} \alpha(t)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\mu_t}{dt} = \beta(t) \mu_t + \alpha(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\mu_0 = x_0}.$$

- 2nd method: consider the SDE in integral form: $\forall t \in [0, T]$,

$$X_t = x_0 + \int_0^t \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t \beta(s) X(s) ds + \underbrace{\int_0^t \sigma(s) dB_s}_{\in M^2[0, T]} \quad \text{so:}$$

$$E[X_t] = \mu_t = x_0 + E\left[\int_0^t \alpha(s) ds\right] + E\left[\int_0^t \beta(s) X(s) ds\right] + 0$$

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$$\mu_t = x_0 + \int_0^t \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t \beta(s) \mu_s ds$$

$$Y_t = x_0 + \int_0^t \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t \beta(s) \mu_s ds \quad \text{so:}$$

$$d\mu_t = \alpha(t)dt + \beta(t)\mu_t dt \quad \text{so:}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\mu_t}{dt} = \alpha(t) + \beta(t)\mu_t} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{\mu_0 = x_0} \quad \square$$

$$\begin{aligned} 7) \quad \text{Var}(X_t) &= \text{Var}\left(e^{-\Lambda(t)}\left(x_0 + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \alpha(s) ds + \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB_s\right)\right) \\ &= \text{Var}\left(\int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB_s\right) \times e^{2\Lambda(t)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= e^{2\Lambda(t)} \times \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB_s \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= e^{2\Lambda(t)} \times \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^t e^{-2\Lambda(s)} \sigma^2(s) ds \right]$$

$$\text{Var}(X_t) = e^{2\Lambda(t)} \int_0^t e^{-2\Lambda(s)} \sigma^2(s) ds \quad \left(\forall t \in [0, T] \right). \quad \square$$

8) $\text{Cov}(X_s, X_t)$?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) &= \text{Cov}\left(e^{\int_0^s \Lambda(r) dr} e^{-\Lambda(r)} \sigma(r) dB_r, e^{\int_0^t \Lambda(r) dr} e^{-\Lambda(r)} \sigma(r) dB_r\right) \\ &\quad \text{Covariance doesn't see constants...} \\ &= e^{\Lambda(t) + \Lambda(s)} \text{Cov}\left(\int_0^s e^{-\Lambda(r)} \sigma(r) dB_r, \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(r)} \sigma(r) dB_r\right) \\ \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) &= e^{\Lambda(t) + \Lambda(s)} \times \int_0^{\min(s,t)} e^{-2\Lambda(r)} \sigma^2(r) dr \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

9) Let's suppose that $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^0$ and $\sigma \in \mathcal{C}^1$. Let's rewrite the solution $X(t)$ without using stochastic integral:

- From TD. 10.1.c) we know that if $f \in \mathcal{C}^1$,

$$\int_0^t f(s) dB(s) = f(t) B(t) - \int_0^t f'(s) B(s) ds.$$

→ In our case, we have that if $\beta \in \mathcal{C}^0$ and $\sigma \in \mathcal{C}^1$,

then $e^{-\Lambda(t)} \sigma(t) \in \mathcal{C}^1$. Indeed, since $\Lambda(t) = \int_0^t \beta(s) ds$, we

$$\begin{aligned} \text{have } \frac{d}{dt} \left(e^{-\Lambda(t)} \sigma(t) \right) &= e^{-\Lambda(t)} \frac{d}{dt} (\sigma(t)) - \sigma(t) e^{-\Lambda(t)} \frac{d}{dt} (\Lambda(t)) \\ &= \underbrace{e^{-\Lambda(t)}}_{\in \mathcal{C}^\infty} \underbrace{\left(\frac{d}{dt} [\sigma(t)] - \sigma(t) \beta(t) \right)}_{\in \mathcal{C}^0} \in \mathcal{C}^0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow e^{-\Lambda(t)} \sigma(t) \in \mathcal{C}^1$$

$$\text{"stochastic Ito process"} \rightarrow \int_0^t e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s) dB(s) = e^{-\Lambda(t)} \sigma(t) B(t) - \int_0^t \frac{d}{ds} [e^{-\Lambda(s)} \sigma(s)] B(s) ds$$

so we can write $X(t)$ without S.I ! (Remark: generalization of Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process, which can be obtained with b, σ cst and $a=0$ (i.e. $dx_t = b x_t dt + \sigma dB_t$)).