**Definition 1** (filtration).  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_T$ , for T a segment in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , is a *filtration*, if  $\mathcal{F}_t \subset \mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -body and  $\forall_{t \leq s} \mathcal{F}_t \subset \mathcal{F}_s$ .

**Definition 2** (stopping time).  $\tau : \omega \to T \cup \{\infty\}$  is a *stopping time*, if  $\forall_{t \in T} \{\tau \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$  ( $\iff \forall_{t \in T} \{\tau = t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t\}$ ).

**Definition 3.** Let  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  be a filtration,  $\tau$  be a stopping time, then define

$$\mathcal{F}_{\tau} = \{ A \in \mathcal{F} : A \cap \{ \tau \leqslant t \} \in \mathcal{F}_t \}.$$

Proposition 4.  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau} = \{A \in \mathcal{F} : A \cap \{\tau = t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t\}.$ 

**Proposition 5.**  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  stopping times, then  $\tau_1 \wedge \tau_2 = \min(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  and  $\tau_1 \vee \tau_2 = \max(\tau_1, \tau_2)$  are too.

 $\tau = t$  is a stopping time.

 $\tau_1 \leqslant \tau_2 \ stopping \ times \implies \mathcal{F}_{\tau_1} \subset \mathcal{F}_{\tau_2}$ 

 $\tau$  jest  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau}$ -mierzalne.

**Definition 6** (adapted process).  $(X_t)_{t\in T}$  is adapted to the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t\in T}$  or just  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -adapted, if  $\forall_t X_t$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable.

**Proposition 7.**  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  filtration,  $(X_t)$  is  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -adapted,  $\tau$  a stopping time, then  $\tau < \infty \implies X_{\tau}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau}$ -measurable.

More generally,  $X_{\tau}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau}$ -measurable on the set  $\{\tau < \infty\}$ , i.e.  $\forall_{B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})} \{X_{\tau} \in B\} \cap \{t < \infty\} \in \mathcal{F}_{\tau}$ .

**Definition 8** (martingale).  $(X_t)$  is a martingale (resp. submartingale, supermartingale) with respect to a foltration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ , if

- $\forall_{t \in T} X_t$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable,
- $\forall_{t \in T} \mathbb{E} |X_t| < \infty$ ,
- $\forall_{s \leq t, s, t \in T} \mathbb{E}(X_t | \mathcal{F}_s) = X_s \text{ a.s. (resp.} \geq , \leq).$

Remark 9.  $X_t$  is a martingale iff it is both a submartingale and a supermartingale.

Remark 10.  $(X_t)$  is a  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -martingale if  $X_t$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable, integrable and  $\forall_{s < t, A \in \mathcal{F}_s} \mathbb{E}(X_s \mathbb{1}_A) = \mathbb{E}(X_t \mathbb{1}_A)$  (resp.  $\leq$  for submartingale,  $\geq$  for supermartingale).

Remark 11. For T a segment in  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $(X_t)$  is  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -martingale iff  $X_t$  is  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -measurable,  $\mathbb{E}|X_t| < \infty$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(X_{s+1}|\mathcal{F}_s) = X_s$  a.s. (resp.  $\geqslant$  for submartingale,  $\leqslant$  for supermartingale).

Remark 12.  $X_t$  submartingale iff  $-X_t$  supermartingale.

Remark 13.  $X_t, Y_t$  are  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -martingales, then  $aX_t + bY_t$  also (for submartingale take  $a, b \ge 0$ ).

**Definition 14.**  $(F_n)_{n\geqslant 0}$  filtration generated by  $(X_1,X_2,\ldots)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_0=\{\varnothing,\Omega\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_n=\sigma(X_1,\ldots,X_n)$ .

Example 15.  $X_1, X_2, \ldots$  independent random variables,  $S_0 = 0$ ,  $S_n = X_1 + \ldots + X_n$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_n$  filtration generated by  $(X_n)$ .

Then  $S_n$  is a martingale iff  $X_n$  are integrable and  $\mathbb{E}X_n = 0$  ( $\geqslant$  for submartingale,  $\leqslant$  for supermartingale).

Example 16. X integrable random variable,  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  filtration,  $X_t = \mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{F}_t)$  is a  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -martingale.

Example 17.  $(X_t)$  is a  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -martingale,  $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  convex,  $\mathbb{E}|\varphi(X_t)| < \infty$ , then  $(\varphi(X_t), \mathcal{F}_t)$  is a submartingale.

Corollary 18.  $(X_t, \mathcal{F}_t)$  a martingale,  $p \ge 1$ ,  $\mathbb{E}|X_t|^p < \infty$ , then  $(|X_t|^p, \mathcal{F}_t)$  is a submartingale.

Corollary 19.  $(X_t, \mathcal{F}_t)$  submartingale, then  $(X_t \vee a, \mathcal{F}_t)$  submartingale.

Corollary 20.  $(X_t, \mathcal{F}_t)$  martingale, then  $(X_t^+, \mathcal{F}_t)$  and  $(X_t^-, \mathcal{F}_t)$  submartingales (where  $Y^+ = Y \wedge 0, Y^- = (-Y) \wedge 0$ .

Example 21 (martingale transformation).  $(X_n, \mathcal{F}_n)$  martingale, let  $Y_n = X_0 + V_1(X_1 - X_0) + V_2(X_2 - X_1) + \ldots + V_n(X_n - X_{n-1})$  for  $V_n$  being  $(\mathcal{F}_{n-1})$ -measurable and bounded, then  $(Y_n, \mathcal{F}_n)$  is a martingale.