## Brownian Motion

- 1. Let  $\{W(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a Weiner (standard BM) process. Then, find the value of
  - (a)  $E((W(t) W(s))^2)$ ;

Ans. t-s

(b) E(W(s)|W(t) = x) for 0 < s < t;

Ans. sx/t

(c) Cov(W(s), W(t)) for 0 < s < t;

Ans. s

(d) E(W(t)|W(s) = x) for 0 < s < t.

Ans. x

2. Let  $\{Y(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a geometric Brownian motion with Y(0) = a. Then, find the value of E(Y(t)).

Ans.  $ae^{t(\mu+\sigma^2/2)}$ , where Y(t) is a BM with drift coefficient  $\mu$  and variance parameter  $\sigma^2$ .

- 3. Suppose that  $\{Y(t), t \geq 0\}$ , is a geometric Brownian motion with drift parameter  $\mu = 0.01$  and volatility parameter  $\sigma = 0.2$ . If Y(0) = 100. Then, find the value of E[Y(10)]
- 4. Consider the random walk that in each  $\Delta t$  time unit either goes up or down the amount  $\sqrt{\Delta t}$ with respective probabilities p and 1-p, where  $p=\frac{1}{2}(1+\mu\sqrt{\Delta t})$ . Argue that as  $\Delta t\to 0$  the resulting limiting process is a Brownian motion process with drift rate  $\mu$ . See class notes
- 5. Let  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a Brownian motion process with drift coefficient  $\mu$  and variance parameter  $\sigma^2$ . What is the conditional distribution of X(t) given that X(s) = c when (i) s < t? (ii) t < s? Ans. (i) For s < t,  $[X(t)|X(s) = c] \sim N(c + \mu(t-s), (t-s)\sigma^2)$ (ii) For t < s,  $[X(t)|X(s) = c] \sim N(\mu t + \sigma t c/s, \sigma^2 t (s-t)/s)$