

4.6. a) For  $c, \alpha$  constants,  $B_t \in \mathbf{R}$  define

$$X_t = e^{ct + \alpha B_t}.$$

Prove that

$$dX_t = \left(c + \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2\right)X_t dt + \alpha X_t dB_t.$$

Let  $g(t, x) = e^{ct + \alpha x} = e^{ct} e^{\alpha x}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} &= c e^{ct + \alpha x} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} &= \alpha e^{ct + \alpha x} & \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2} &= \alpha^2 e^{ct + \alpha x} \end{aligned}$$

By Itô's formula, since  $X_t = g(t, B_t)$ ,

$$dX_t = c e^{ct + \alpha B_t} dt + \alpha e^{ct + \alpha B_t} dB_t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 e^{ct + \alpha B_t} dt$$

$$\therefore dX_t = \left(c + \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2\right)X_t dt + \alpha X_t dB_t$$

b) For  $c, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  constants,  $B_t = (B_1(t), \dots, B_n(t)) \in \mathbf{R}^n$  define

$$X_t = \exp\left(ct + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j B_j(t)\right).$$

Prove that

$$dX_t = \left(c + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j^2\right)X_t dt + X_t \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j dB_j\right).$$

By the multidimensional Itô's formula, let  $g(t, x) = e^{ct + \alpha x}$

$$X_t = g(t, B_t) = e^{ct + \alpha B_t} = e^{ct + (\alpha_1 B_1 + \dots + \alpha_n B_n)}$$

and

$$dX_t = cX_t dt + \alpha_1 X_t dB_1 + \dots + \alpha_n X_t dB_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j^2 X_t dt$$

$$+ \dots + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n^2 X_t dt$$

Hence,

$$dX_t = \left( c + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j^2 \right) X_t dt + X_t \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j dB_j \right)$$