

4.9. Prove that we may assume that g and its first two derivatives are bounded in the proof of the Itô formula (Theorem 4.1.2) by proceeding as follows: For fixed $t \geq 0$ and $n = 1, 2, \dots$ choose g_n as in the statement such that $g_n(s, x) = g(s, x)$ for all $s \leq t$ and all $|x| \leq n$. Suppose we have proved that (4.1.9) holds for each g_n . Define the stochastic time

$$\tau_n = \tau_n(\omega) = \inf\{s > 0; |X_s(\omega)| \geq n\}$$

(τ_n is called a *stopping time* (See Chapter 7)) and prove that

$$\left(\int_0^t v \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x}(s, X_s) \mathcal{A}_{s \leq \tau_n} dB_s; = \right) \\ \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} v \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s = \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} v \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s$$

for each n . This gives that

$$g(t \wedge \tau_n, X_{t \wedge \tau_n}) = g(0, X_0) \\ + \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial s} + u \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} v^2 \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2} \right) ds + \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} v \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} dB_s$$

and since

$$P[\tau_n > t] \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

we can conclude that (4.1.9) holds (a.s.) for g .

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show that $\frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$

$$g(t, X_t) = g(0, X_0) + \int_0^t \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial s}(s, X_s) + u_s \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(s, X_s) + \frac{1}{2} v_s^2 \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2}(s, X_s) \right) ds \\ + \int_0^t v_s \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s \quad \text{where } u_s = u(s, \omega), v_s = v(s, \omega). \quad (4.1.9)$$

Let $t \geq 0$ be fixed and $g_n(s, x) = g(s, x) \in C^2([0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R})$ for all $s \leq t$ and all $|x| \leq n$.

Suppose that (4.1.9) holds for each g_n . Define

$$\tau_n(\omega) = \inf\{s > 0 : |X_s(\omega)| \geq n\}$$

Claim: $\int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} v \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s = \int_0^{t \wedge \tau_n} v \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s$

Proof. Since (4.1.9) holds for each g_n ,

$$g_n(t, X_t) = g_n(0, X_0) + \int_0^t \left(\frac{\partial g_n}{\partial s}(s, X_s) + u_s \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x}(s, X_s) + \frac{1}{2} v_s^2 \frac{\partial^2 g_n}{\partial x^2}(s, X_s) \right) ds \\ + \int_0^t v_s \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dB_s$$

Replacing t by $t \wedge \tau_n$, we have that $s \leq t \wedge \tau_n$ and $|X_t| \leq n$. Hence, $g_n = g$ and the claim holds.

Claim: $P[\tau_n > t] \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Proof. As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\inf\{s > 0 : |X_s| \geq \infty\} = \infty = \tau_n$. Then

$$P[\infty > t] = 1$$

since $t < \infty$.

Conclusion. Hence,

$$g_n(t \wedge \tau_n, X_{t \wedge \tau_n}) = g(t \wedge \tau_n, X_{t \wedge \tau_n}) = g(t, X_t)$$

And (4.1.9.) holds a.s. for g .