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Introduction

This is a solutions manual for Stochastic Differential Equations by Bernt Øksendal. This is a working document last updated October 25, 2020. Progress to date:

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- Chapters 6–12: none so far

Some Mathematical Preliminaries

- 1. Suppose $X: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ is a function that assumes countably many values $\{a_i\}$ in \mathbb{R} .
 - (a) Note that X is a random variable if and only if it is measurable. If $X:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}$ is measurable, then $U=X^{-1}(\mathbb{R}\setminus a_k)\in\mathcal{F}$ and thus $X^{-1}(a_k)=\Omega\setminus U\in\mathcal{F},\ \forall k$. On the other hand, if $X^{-1}(a_k)\in\mathcal{F},\ \forall k$, then Borel set $V\subseteq\mathbb{R},\ X^{-1}(V)=\bigcup_{a_k\in V}X^{-1}(a_k)\in\mathcal{F}$ and thus X is measurable.
 - (b) Compute $\mathbb{E}(|X|) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x| d\mathbb{P}_X = \int_{\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{a_k\}} |x| d\mathbb{P}_X = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| \mathbb{P}(X = a_k).$
 - (c) If $\mathbb{E}(|X|) < \infty$, then the series

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x \, d\mathbb{P}_X = \int_{\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{a_k\}} x \, d\mathbb{P}_X = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \mathbb{P}(X = a_k)$$

is absolutely convergent and therefore converges.

(d) If f is measurable and |f| is bounded by M, then

$$\mathbb{E}(|f(X)|) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(x)| \, d\mathbb{P}_X \le \int_{\mathbb{R}} M \, d\mathbb{P}_X = M \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\mathbb{P}_X = M < \infty.$$

Hence,

$$\mathbb{E}(f(X)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) d\mathbb{P}_X = \int_{\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{a_k\}} f(x) d\mathbb{P}_X = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(a_k) \mathbb{P}(X = a_k)$$

is absolutely convergent and therefore converges.

- 2. Let $F(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$ be the distribution function of X.
 - (a) By monotonicity of \mathbb{P} , $0 = \mathbb{P}(\emptyset) \leq \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) \leq P(\mathbb{R}) = 1$. Now, by the Monotone Convergence Theorem,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F(n) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{(-\infty, n]} d\mathbb{P}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\mathbb{P}(x) = 1.$$

Similarly, for G(n) := 1 - F(-n), we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} G(n) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 - \chi_{(-\infty, -n]}) dP_X(x) = 1.$$

Moreover, F is increasing by monotonicity of P and finally, again by Monotone Convergence,

$$\lim_{h \to 0^+} 1 - F(x+h) + F(x) = \lim_{h \to 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 - \chi_{(x,x+h]}) \, d\mathbb{P}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\mathbb{P}(x) = 1$$

and so $\lim_{h\to 0^+} F(x+h) = F(x)$, i.e. F is right-continuous.

(b) Compute the expectation

$$\mathbb{E}(g(X)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) d\mathbb{P}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) \chi_{(-\infty,x]} d\mathbb{P}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) dF(x).$$

(c) Compute the density of B_t^2

$$F(u) := \mathbb{P}(B_t^2 \le u) = \mathbb{P}(-\sqrt{u} \le B_t \le \sqrt{u})$$

$$= 2 \int_{[0,\sqrt{u}]} p(y) dy$$

$$= 2 \int_{[0,u]} \frac{p(\sqrt{u})}{2\sqrt{u}} du$$

$$= \int_{(-\infty,u]} \chi_{[0,\infty)} \frac{p(\sqrt{u})}{\sqrt{u}} du.$$

and so $p(u) = \chi_{[0,\infty)} \frac{p(\sqrt{u})}{\sqrt{u}}$ where p(u) is the density of B_t .

- 3. Since \mathcal{H}_i is a σ -algebra, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{H}_i$, $\forall i \in I$. So $\emptyset \in \mathcal{H} = \cap_{i \in I} \mathcal{H}_i$. If $\{U_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$, then $\{U_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subseteq \mathcal{H}_i$ for each $i \in I$ and so $\Omega \setminus U_j \in \mathcal{H}_i$ and $\bigcup_{j \in \mathcal{A}} U_j \in \mathcal{H}_i$, $\forall i \in I$. Conclude that $\Omega \setminus U_j \in \mathcal{H}$ and $\bigcup_{j \in \mathcal{A}} U_j \in \mathcal{H}$ and $\mathcal{H} = \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{H}_i$ is also a σ -algebra.
- 4. Let $X:\Omega\mapsto\mathbb{R}$ be a random variable with $\mathbb{E}(|X|^p)<\infty$.
 - (a) Let $A=\{\omega\in\Omega\,|\,|X|\geq\lambda>0\}$ and compute

$$\mathbb{E}(|X|^p) = \int_{\Omega} |X|^p \, d\mathbb{P} \ge \int_{A} |X|^p \, d\mathbb{P} \ge \lambda^p \int_{A} d\mathbb{P} = \lambda^p \mathbb{P}(|X| \ge \lambda).$$

(b) By Chebychev, $\mathbb{P}(|X| \ge \lambda) = \mathbb{P}(e^{|X|} \ge e^{\lambda}) \le \frac{1}{e^{k\lambda}} \mathbb{E}(e^{k|X|}) = Me^{-k\lambda}$.

5. Since the measures are σ -finite, f(x,y) = xy is $\mathbb{P}_X \otimes \mathbb{P}_Y$ measurable and $\mathbb{E}(|XY|) < \infty$, apply Fubini-Tonelli and compute

$$\mathbb{E}(XY) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} xy \, d\mathbb{P}_{XY}(x, y)$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} xy \, d\mathbb{P}_X(x) \otimes d\mathbb{P}_Y(y)$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} y \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} x \, d\mathbb{P}_X(x) \right) d\mathbb{P}_Y(y)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(X) \int_{\mathbb{R}} y \, d\mathbb{P}_Y(y)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(X) \mathbb{E}(Y).$$

6. (Borel-Cantelli) Let $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ and suppose $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_k) < \infty$. Then

$$\mathbb{P}(\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \cup_{k=m}^{\infty} A_k) \le \lim_{m \to \infty} \sup_{k > m} \mathbb{P}(A_k) = 0$$

by dominated convergence.

- 7. Let $\Omega = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^n G_i$.
 - (a) Note $\emptyset \in \mathcal{G}$ and \mathcal{G} is closed under unions by construction. It is also closed under complements as $\Omega \setminus G_i = \bigcup_{j \neq i} G_j \in \mathcal{G}$.
 - (b) Write a new sequence defined by $F_i = \mathcal{G}_i \setminus \bigcup_{j \leq i} F_j$ and $\{F_i\}$ will satisfy (a).
 - (c) Note that $\{X^{-1}(x \in \mathbb{R})\}\subseteq \mathcal{F}$ is disjoint. So, by (a) and (b), \mathcal{F} is finite if and only if all but finitely many $X^{-1}(x \in \mathbb{R})$ are empty.
- 8. Let B_t be a 1-dimensional Wiener process.
 - (a) By Equation 2.2.3, since $B_t \sim N(0, t)$,

$$\mathbb{E}(e^{iuB_t}) = \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2}\mathbb{V}(B_t) + iu\mathbb{E}(B_t)\right) = e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}}.$$

(b) Comparing power series coefficients, we deduce that

$$\frac{(iu)^{2n}}{(2n)!}\mathbb{E}(B_t^{2n}) = \frac{1}{n!}\left(-\frac{u^2t}{2}\right)^n,$$

and so $\mathbb{E}(B_t^{2n}) = \frac{(2n)!}{2^n n!} t^n$.

(c) Integrating by parts, compute the n^{th} moment of B_t

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(B_t^{2k}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^{2k} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} \, dx \\ &= x^{2k-1} \sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}} \int_{-\sqrt{2t}}^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{2t}}} u e^{-u^2} \, du \Big|_{x=-\infty}^{x=\infty} - \int_{\mathbb{R}} (2k-1) x^{2k-2} \sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}} \int_{-\sqrt{2t}}^{\frac{x}{\sqrt{2t}}} u e^{-u^2} \, du \\ &= -(2k-1) \sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^{2k-2} \left(\frac{-1}{2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} \right) \, dx \\ &= (2k-1) t \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^{2k-2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} \, dx \\ &= (2k-1) t \mathbb{E}(B_t^{2k-2}). \end{split}$$

As $\mathbb{E}(B_t^2)=t$, we have that $\mathbb{E}(B_t^{2k})=\frac{(2k)!t^{k-1}}{2^kk!}\cdot t=\frac{(2k)!t^k}{2^kk!}$.

(d) Check the base case, n=2k=2, where $\mathbb{E}(B_t)^2$] = $\frac{2! \cdot t}{2 \cdot 1!} = t$. If the claim is true for n=2k, then

$$\mathbb{E}(B_t^{2k+2}) = (2k-1)t\mathbb{E}(B_t^{2k}) = (2k+1)t \cdot \frac{(2k)!t^k}{2^kk!} = \frac{(2k+2)!t^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!},$$

and so it is also true for n = 2(k+1) = 2k+2, thus completing the induction step.

- 9. Note that $\{X_t\}$ and $\{Y_t\}$ have the same distributions since neither distribution has any atoms and they agree except on a zero set $\forall t \geq 0$. Yet $t \mapsto X_t$ is discontinuous while $t \mapsto Y_t$ is continuous.
- 10. As B_t is Brownian, $B_{t+h} B_t \sim N(0, h)$. Since h is fixed, $\{B_{t+h} B_t\}_{h \ge 0}$ have the same distributions $\forall t \ge 0$.
- 11. As $B_0 = \left(B_0^{(1)}, B_0^{(2)}, \dots B_0^{(n)}\right) = 0$, $B_0^{(j)} = 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots n\}$. B_t is almost surely continuous only if its components are almost surely continuous. Each component is normally distributed with $\mathbb{E}(B_t^j) = 0$ as $\mathbb{E}(B_t) = \vec{0}$ and $\text{Cov}(B_t^{(i)}, B_t^{(j)}) = t\delta_{ij}$ as $\text{Cov}(B_t) = tI$.
- 12. Let $W_t := B_{s+t} B_s$ where $s \ge 0$ is fixed. Then $W_0 = B_s B_s = 0$ and W_t is almost surely continuous as the sum of two almost surely continuous stochastic processes. Noting $W_{t_2} W_{t_1} = B_{s+t_2} B_{s+t_1}$ is independent of both B_{s+t_1} and B_s , deduce that $W_{t_2} W_{t_1}$ is independent of $W_{t_1} = B_{s+t_1} B_s$. The expected value is $\mathbb{E}(W_t) = \mathbb{E}(B_{s+t}) \mathbb{E}(B_s) = 0$ and the variance is

$$V(W_t) = \mathbb{E}((B_{s+t} - B_s)^2)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(B_{s+t}^2) - 2\mathbb{E}(B_s B_{s+t}) + \mathbb{E}(B_s^2)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(B_{s+t}^2) - 2\mathbb{E}(B_s (B_{s+t} - B_s)) - \mathbb{E}(B_s^2)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(B_{s+t}^2) - 2\mathbb{E}(B_s)\mathbb{E}(B_{s+t} - B_s) - \mathbb{E}(B_s^2)$$

$$= (s+t) - 0 - s$$

$$= t.$$

Since W_t is the sum of two normal distributions, it is also normal and $W_t \sim N(0,t)$.

13. Compute

$$\mathbb{P}_0(B_t \in D_\rho) = \int_{|x| < \rho} \frac{1}{2\pi t} e^{-\frac{|\vec{x}|^2}{2t}} d^2 \vec{x} = \frac{2\pi}{2\pi t} \int_0^\rho r e^{-\frac{r^2}{2t}} dr = \int_0^{\frac{\rho^2}{2t}} e^{-u} du = 1 - e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{2t}}.$$

14. Compute

$$\mathbb{E}_{x} \left(\int_{[0,\infty]} \chi_{K}(B_{t}) dt \right) = \int_{[0,\infty]} \mathbb{P}(B_{t} \in K) dt$$

$$= \int_{[0,\infty]} \left(\int_{K} \frac{1}{(2\pi t)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{|\vec{x}-\vec{y}|^{2}}{2t}} d^{n} \vec{x} \right) dt$$

$$\leq \int_{[0,\infty]} \left\| \frac{1}{(2\pi t)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{|\vec{x}-\vec{y}|^{2}}{2t}} \right\|_{\infty} \mu(K) dt$$

$$= 0$$

and deduce that the expected total time spent in K is 0.

- 15. Note that $UU^T=I$, whence $|\det U|=1$ and the probability measures are identical by change of variables. It follows that both are Brownian.
- 16. Let $W_t = \frac{1}{c}B_{c^2t}$. We have $W_0 = B_0 = 0$ and that W_t is absolutely continuous as a scaling of absolutely continuous B_t . Finally,

$$\mathbb{P}_{0}(W_{t} \in U) = \mathbb{P}_{0}(B_{c^{2}t} \in cU)
= \int_{cU} p(c^{2}t, 0, y) \, dy
= \int_{cU} \frac{1}{c} p(t, 0, y/c) \, dy
= \int_{U} \frac{1}{c} p(t, 0, y') (cdy')
= \mathbb{P}_{0}(B_{t} \in U),$$

and so W_t is also a Brownian motion.

17. Let $X_t(\cdot)$ be a continuous stochastic process.

(a) Recall that $\mathbb{E}(B_t) = 0$, $\mathbb{E}(B_t^2) = t$ and $\mathbb{E}(B_t^4) = 3t^2$. Then

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\left(\sum_{k} \left(\Delta B_{k}^{2} - \Delta t_{k}\right)\right)^{2}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\sum_{k} \left(\Delta B_{k}^{2} - \Delta t_{k}\right)^{2}\right)\right)$$

$$= \sum_{k} \left(\mathbb{E}(\Delta B_{k}^{4}) - 2\Delta t_{k}\mathbb{E}(\Delta B_{k}^{2}) + \Delta t_{k}^{2}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{k} \left(3\Delta t_{k}^{2} - 2\Delta t_{k}^{2} + \Delta t_{k}^{2}\right)$$

$$= 2\sum_{k} \Delta t_{k}^{2}.$$

So
$$\langle B, B \rangle_t^{(2)}(w) = t$$
.

(b) Note that the Brownian motion has positive quadratic variation t on [0, t]. So

$$\langle B, B \rangle_t^{(1)}(w) \ge \lim_{\|\Delta B_k\| \to 0^+} \frac{\langle B, B \rangle_t^{(2)}(w)}{\|\Delta B_k\|} = \infty.$$

Itô Integrals

1. Compute

$$\int_{0}^{t} s \, dB_{s} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\left[\frac{nt}{t}\right] - 1} \frac{jt}{n} \left(B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left[nt\right]}{n} B_{\frac{nt}{n}} - \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{t}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{\left[\frac{nt}{t}\right] - 1} B_{\frac{jt}{n}} + \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{t}{n} (B_{0} - B_{\frac{nt}{n}})$$

$$= tB_{t} - \int_{0}^{t} B_{s} \, ds.$$

2. Compute

$$\int_{0}^{t} B_{s}^{2} dB_{s} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{\lceil nt \rceil}{t} - 1} B_{\frac{jt}{n}}^{2} \left(B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}} \right)
= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{\lceil nt \rceil}{t} - 1} \left(\frac{1}{3} B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}}^{3} - \frac{1}{3} B_{\frac{j}{n}}^{3} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}} \left(B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{j}{n}} \right)^{2} - \frac{1}{3} \left(B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{j}{n}} \right)^{3} \right)
= \frac{1}{3} B_{t}^{3} - \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\frac{\lceil nt \rceil}{t} - 1} \frac{t}{n} B_{\frac{jt}{n}} + \mathcal{O}(t^{2}/n) \right)
= \frac{1}{3} B_{t}^{3} - \int_{0}^{t} B_{s} ds.$$

- 3. Let $\{\mathcal{N}_t\}$ be some filtration and let $\{\mathcal{H}_t^{(X)}\}$ be the filtration of process X_t .
 - (a) Compute

$$\mathbb{E}(X_t \mid \mathcal{H}_s^{(X)}) = \mathbb{E}\left(\mathbb{E}(X_t \mid \mathcal{N}_s) \mid \mathcal{H}_s^{(X)}\right) = \mathbb{E}(H_s \mid \mathcal{H}_s^{(X)}) = H_s.$$

(b) Compute

$$\mathbb{E}(X_t) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X_t \mid H_0^{(X)})) = \mathbb{E}(X_0).$$

(c) Let $Y \sim \operatorname{Bernoulli}(0.5)$ and fix $X_0 = 2Y - 1$. Then $X_t = t \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(X_0)$ satisfies $\mathbb{E}(X_t) = \mathbb{E}(X_0) = 0$, but $\mathbb{E}(X_t | \mathcal{F}_s) = t \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(X_0) \neq s \cdot \operatorname{sgn}(X_0)$.

4. Compute

$$\mathbb{E}(B_t + 4t \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = B_s + 4t \neq B_s + 4s$$

$$\mathbb{E}(B_t^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}((B_t - B_s)^2 + 2B_s(B_t - B_s) + B_s^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = B_s^2 + t - s \neq B_s^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(t^2 B_t - 2\int_0^t u B_u \, du \mid F_s\right) = t^2 B_s - 2\int_0^s u B_u \, du - 2\int_s^t u B_s \, du = s^2 B_s - 2\int_0^s u B_u \, du$$

$$\mathbb{E}(B_t^{(1)} B_t^{(2)} \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}(B_t^{(1)} \mid \mathcal{F}_s) \mathbb{E}(B_t^{(2)} \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = B_s^{(1)} B_s^{(2)},$$

and deduce that only the last two are martingales.

5. Verify $\mathbb{E}(|B_t^2 - t|) \leq \mathbb{E}(B_t^2) + t = 2t < \infty$ and compute $\mathbb{E}(B_t^2 - t \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}((B_t - B_s)^2 + 2B_s(B_t - B_s) + B_s^2 - t \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = B_s^2 + t - s - t = B_s^2 - s.$ to deduce that $X_t := B_t^2 - t$ is a martingale.

6. Verify
$$\mathbb{E}(|B_t^3 - 3tB_t|) \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}(B_t^2)}(\sqrt{\mathbb{E}(B_t^4)} + 3t) = (3 + \sqrt{3})t^{3/2} < \infty$$
 and compute
$$\mathbb{E}(B_t^3 - 3tB_t \,|\, \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}((B_t - B_s)^3 + 3B_s(B_t - B_s)^2 + 3B_s^2(B_t - B_s) + B_s^3 - 3tB_s \,|\, \mathcal{F}_s)$$
$$= 3B_s(t - s) + B_s^3 - 3tB_s$$
$$= B_s^3 - 3sB_s$$

to deduce that $Y_t := B_t^3 - 3tB_t$ is a martingale.

- 7. In this question, the formula for Itô iterated integrals is derived.
 - (a) Note that $\{0 \le u_1 \dots \le u_n\}$ is Borel measurable and $\chi_{0 \le u_1 \dots \le u_n}$ is \mathcal{F}_t -adapted. Finally $\mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^T f(t_1, \dots t_n, \omega)^2 dt_1 \dots dt_n\right) \le T^n < \infty$.
 - (b) For $n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$1! \int_{0}^{t} dB_{u} = B_{t} = t^{1/2} H_{1} \left(\frac{B_{t}}{\sqrt{t}} \right)$$

$$2! \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{v} dB_{u} dB_{v} = 2 \int_{0}^{t} B_{v} dB_{v} = B_{t}^{2} - t = t H_{2} \left(\frac{B_{2}}{\sqrt{t}} \right)$$

$$3! \int_{0}^{t} \int_{0}^{w} \int_{0}^{v} dB_{u} dB_{v} dB_{w} = 3 \int_{0}^{t} (B_{w}^{2} - w) dB_{w} = B_{t}^{3} - 3t B_{t} = t^{3/2} H_{3} \left(\frac{B_{t}}{\sqrt{t}} \right).$$

- (c) Deduce that $d(B_t^3 3tB_t) = 3(B_t^2 t) dB_t$ and so $Y_t := B_t^3 3tB_t$ is a martingale.
- 8. There exists continuous martingale M_t iff there exists $Y \in L^1$ such that $M_t = \mathbb{E}(Y \mid \mathcal{F}_t)$.
 - (a) Verify that $\mathbb{E}(|\mathbb{E}(Y \mid \mathcal{F}_t)|) \leq \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(|Y| \mid \mathcal{F}_t) = \mathbb{E}(|Y|) < \infty$ and $\mathbb{E}(M_t \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(Y \mid \mathcal{F}_t) \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}(Y \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = M_s.$
 - (b) If M_t is a continuous martingale such that $\sup_{t>0} \mathbb{E}(|X|^p) < \infty$ for $p \in (1, \infty)$, then $\exists M$ such that $\|M_t M\|_{L^1} \to 0$ as $t \to \infty$. So let Y = M and

$$\lim_{s \to \infty} \int_{\Omega_{s}} |M_{s} - \mathbb{E}(M \mid \mathcal{F}_{s})| d\mathbb{P} = \lim_{s \to \infty} \int_{\Omega_{s}} |\mathbb{E}(M_{s} - M \mid \mathcal{F}_{s})| d\mathbb{P}$$

$$\leq \lim_{s \to \infty} \int_{\Omega_{s}} \mathbb{E}(|M_{s} - M| \mid \mathcal{F}_{s}) d\mathbb{P}$$

$$= \lim_{s \to \infty} \int_{\Omega_{s}} |M_{s} - M| d\mathbb{P}$$

$$= 0.$$

9. Compute

$$\int_{0}^{T} B_{t} \circ dB_{t} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t}{t} \rfloor - 1} \frac{1}{2} (B_{\frac{jt}{n}} + B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}}) (B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}})$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t}{t} \rfloor - 1} B_{\frac{jt}{n}} (B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}}) + \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{t}{t} \rfloor - 1} \frac{1}{2} (B_{\frac{(j+1)t}{n}} - B_{\frac{jt}{n}})^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} B_{t}^{2} - \frac{t}{2} + \frac{t}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} B_{t}^{2}.$$

10. If $f(t,\omega)$ varies smoothly in t, then the Itô and Stratonovich integrals coincide. Compute

$$\int_0^T f(t,\omega) \circ dB_t = \int_0^T f(t,\omega) dB_t + \frac{1}{2} \langle f(t,\omega), B_t \rangle^{(2)}$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}(\langle f(t,\omega), B_t \rangle^{(2)})^2 \leq \mathbb{E}(\langle B_t, B_t \rangle^{(2)} \mathbb{E}(\langle f(t,\omega), f(t,\omega) \rangle^{(2)})$$

$$\leq T \lim_{\|\Delta t_k\| \to 0^+} \sup_{|\Delta t_k|} \frac{T}{|\Delta t_k|} (K|\Delta t_k|^{1+\varepsilon})$$

$$= KT^2 \lim_{\|\Delta t_k\| \to 0^+} \|\Delta t_k\|^{\varepsilon}$$

$$= 0.$$

11. Define white noise $W_t^{(N)} = \max\{-N, \min\{W_t, N\}\}$. Since W_t and W_s are independent and identically distributed, it follows that $W_t^{(N)}$ and $W_s^{(N)}$ are as well. If W_t is continuous, then since $|W_t^{(N)}| \leq N$ and by bounded convergence

$$\lim_{t \to s} 2\mathbb{E}(W_t^{(N)})^2 = \lim_{t \to s} \mathbb{E}(|W_t^{(N)} - W_s^{(N)}|^2) = 0.$$

But then $W_t \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} 0$, which is a contradiction.

12. Problem 12

(i) Since $\alpha X_t \circ dB_t = \frac{\alpha^2}{2} X_t dt + \alpha X_t dB_t$,

$$dX_t = (\gamma + \frac{\alpha^2}{2})X_t dt + \alpha X_t dB_t.$$

Since $(t^2 + \cos(X_t)) \circ dB_t = -\frac{\sin(X_t)}{2} (t^2 + \cos(X_t)) dt + (t^2 + \cos(X_t)) dB_t$,

$$dX_t = \frac{\sin(X_t)}{2}(\cos(X_t) - t^2) dt + (t^2 + \cos(X_t)) dB_t.$$

(ii) Since $\alpha X_t dB_t = \alpha X_t \circ dB_t - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} X_t dt$,

$$dX_t = (r - \frac{\alpha^2}{2})X_t dt + \alpha X_t \circ dB_t.$$

Since $X_t^2 dB_t = X_t^2 \circ dB_t - X_t^3 dt$,

$$dX_t = (2e^{-X_t} - X_t^3) dt + X_t^2 \circ dB_t.$$

The Itô Formula

1. Compute

(a)
$$dX_t = d(B_t^2) = 2B_t dB_t + d[B, B]_t = 2B_t dB_t + dt$$

(b)
$$dX_t = d(2 + t + e^{B_t}) = (1 + \frac{1}{2}e^{B_t}) dt + e^{B_t} dB_t$$

(c)
$$dX_t = d\left((B_t^{(1)})^2 + (B_t^{(2)})^2\right) = 2B_t^{(1)} dB_t^{(1)} + 2B_t^{(2)} dB_t^{(2)} + 2 dt$$

(d)
$$dX_t = d((t_0 + t, B_t)) = (dt, dB_t)$$

(e) and finally

$$dX_t = d((B_t^{(1)} + B_t^{(2)} + B_t^{(3)}, (B_t^{(2)})^2 - B_t^{(1)} B_t^{(3)}))$$

= $(dB_t^{(1)} + dB_t^{(2)} + dB_t^{(3)}, 2B_t^{(2)} dB_t^{(2)} + dt - B_t^{(3)} dB_t^{(1)} - B_t^{(1)} dB_t^{(3)}).$

2. Using Itô's Lemma, differentiate

$$d\left(\frac{1}{3}B_t^3 - \int_0^t B_s \, ds\right) = B_t^2 \, dB_t + B_t \, d[B, B]_t - B_t \, dt = B_t^2 dB_t$$

and deduce that

$$\int_0^t B_s^2 dB_s = \frac{1}{3} B_t^3 - \int_0^t B_s ds.$$

3. Let X_t and Y_t be Itô processes. Then, letting f(t, x, y) = xy and by Itô's formula

$$d(X_tY_t) = f_t(t, X_t, Y_t) dt + f_x(t, X_t, Y_t) dX_t + f_y(t, X_t, Y_t) dY_t$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(t, X_t, Y_t) d[X, X]_t + f_{xy}(t, X_t, Y_t) d[X, Y]_t + \frac{1}{2} f_{yy}(t, X_t, Y_t) d[Y, Y]_t$$

$$= Y_t dX_t + X_t dY_t + d[X, Y]_t$$

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and deduce the integration of parts formula

$$\int_0^t X_s \, dY_s = \int_0^t \left(d(X_s Y_s) - Y_s \, dX_s - d[X, Y]_s \right)$$
$$= X_t Y_t - X_0 Y_0 - \int_0^t Y_s \, dX_s - \int_0^t d[X, Y]_s.$$

- 4. Let $Z_t = \exp\left(\int_0^t \langle \theta(s,\omega), dB_s \rangle \frac{1}{2} |\theta(s,\omega)|^2 ds\right)$.
 - (a) Then, letting $Z_t = e^{Y_t}$ and by Itô's formula,

$$dZ_t = e^{Y_t} dY_t + \frac{1}{2} e^{Y_t} d[Y, Y]_t$$

$$= Z_t \left(\langle \theta(t, \omega), dB_t \rangle - \frac{1}{2} |\theta(t, \omega)|^2 dt + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left[\theta_i(s, \omega) dB^{(i)}, \theta_j(s, \omega) dB^{(j)} \right]_s \right)$$

$$= Z_t \langle \theta(t, \omega), dB_t \rangle.$$

(b) It suffices to check that

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\mathbb{E}(|Z_t|) \right]^2 &= \left[\mathbb{E}\left(\left| \int_0^t dZ_s \right| \right) \right]^2 \\ &= \left[\mathbb{E}\left(\left| \int_0^t Z_s \langle \theta(s, \omega), dB_s \rangle \right| \right) \right]^2 \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^n |Z_s \theta_i(s, \omega)| dB_s^{(i)} \right)^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \int_0^t |Z_s \theta_i(s, \omega)| |Z_s \theta_j(s, \omega)| d[B^{(i)}, B^{(j)}]_s \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t |Z_s \theta_i(s, \omega)|^2 ds \right) \\ &\leq \infty \end{aligned}$$

5. Let $\beta_k(t) = \mathbb{E}(B_t^k)$. Then, by Itô's lemma,

$$dB_t^k = kB_t^{k-1} dB_t + \frac{1}{2}k(k-1)B_t^{k-2} dt$$

and so

$$\beta_k(t) = \mathbb{E}(B_t^k) = \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t dB_s^k\right) = \int_0^t \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)B_t^{k-2}\right) ds = \frac{1}{2}k(k-1)\int_0^t \beta_{k-2}(s) ds.$$

Deduce that $\beta_4(t)=6\int_0^t \beta_2(s)\,ds=6\cdot \frac{t^2}{2}=3t^2$ and $\beta_6(t)=15\int_0^t 3s^2\,ds=15t^3.$

- 6. Problem 6
 - (a) Define $X_t = e^{ct + \alpha B_t}$. Then

$$dX_t = ce^{ct + \alpha B_t} dt + \alpha e^{ct + \alpha B_t} dB_t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 e^{ct + \alpha B_t} d[B, B]_t$$
$$= X_t \left(\left(c + \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \right) dt + \alpha dB_t \right).$$

(b) Define $X_t = e^{ct + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j B_t^{(j)}}$. Then

$$dX_{t} = X_{t} \left(c dt + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j} dB_{t}^{(j)} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} d[B^{(i)}, B^{(j)}]_{t} \right)$$
$$= X_{t} \left(\left(c + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{i}^{2} \right) dt + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j} dB_{t}^{(j)} \right).$$

- 7. Let X_t solve $dX_t = v(t, \omega) dB_t$.
 - (a) Note that B_t is a martingale while B_t^2 is not.
 - (b) Define $M_t = X_t^2 \int_0^t v(s,\omega)^2 ds$. Then

$$dM_t = 2X_t dX_t + [dX, dX]_t - v(t, \omega)^2, dt$$

= $2X_t v(t, \omega) dB_t + (v(t, \omega)^2 - v(t, \omega)^2) dt$
= $2X_t v(t, \omega) dB_t$.

Moreover,

$$\mathbb{E}(|M_t|) \leq \mathbb{E}(X_t^2) + \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t v(s,\omega)^2 ds\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t v(s,\omega) dB_s\right)^2 + \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t v(s,\omega)^2 ds\right)$$

$$= 2\mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t v(s,\omega)^2 ds\right)$$

$$< \infty.$$

- 8. Problem 8
 - (a) Let $f(x^{(1)}, \dots x^{(n)})$ be a function of class C^2 . Then

$$d(f(B_t)) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \partial_i f(B_t) dB_t^{(i)} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \partial_{ij}^2 f(B_t) d[B^{(i)}, B^{(j)}]_t$$
$$= \langle \nabla f(B_t), dB_t \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \Delta f(B_t) dt$$

and so

$$f(B_t) - f(B_0) = \int_0^t d(f(B_s)) = \int_0^t \langle \nabla f(B_s), dB_s \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \Delta f(B_s) \, ds.$$

(b) Assume that g is of class C^1 everywhere, as well as C^2 and uniformly bounded outside of finitely many points with $|g''(z)| \leq M$ for $z \notin \{z_1, \ldots z_k\}$. Then the set of functions $\{f\}$ of class C^2 uniformly bounded with $|f''(z)| \leq M$ are C^k -dense. So we can extract a sequence $\{f_k\}$ such that $f_k \Rightarrow g$, $f'_k \Rightarrow g'$ as well as $f''_k \to g''$ and $|f''_k| \leq M$ on $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{z_1, \ldots z_k\}$. So

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \left| (f_k - g)(B_t) + (f_k - g)(0) + \int_0^t (f_k' - g') dB_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t (f_k'' - g'') ds \right|$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \to \infty} |(f_k - g)(B_t)| + |(f_k - g)(0)| + t ||f_k' - g'||_{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t |f_k'' - g''| ds$$

$$= 0.$$

where the last term vanishes by bounded convergence.

9. Clearly

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

and the result follows by Itô's lemma where $dX_t = u\,dt + v\,dB_t$. Since $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|) < \infty$, it follows that $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{P}(\tau_n > t) = \lim_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{P}(X_t < n) = 1$ and so the identity holds almost surely.

10. Problem 10

(a) Substitute $u\equiv 0$ and $v\equiv 1$ here. Then as $g''_\varepsilon(x)=\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\chi_{|x|<\varepsilon}(x)$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \frac{d^2 g_{\varepsilon}}{dx^2} (B_s) \, ds = \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_0^t \chi_{|B_s| < \varepsilon} \, ds = \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} |\{s \in [0, t] \, | \, |B_s| < \varepsilon\}|.$$

(b) Differentiate to get

$$\int_0^t g_{\varepsilon}'(B_s) \chi_{|B_s| < \varepsilon} dB_s = \int_0^t \frac{B_s}{\varepsilon} \chi_{|B_s| < \varepsilon} dB_s,$$

and apply Itô isometry to get

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \mathbb{E} \left(\int_0^t \frac{B_s}{\varepsilon} \chi_{|B_s| < \varepsilon} \, dB_s \right)^2 = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \mathbb{E} \left(\int_0^t \frac{B_s^2}{\varepsilon^2} \chi_{|B_s| < \varepsilon} \, ds \right) \leq \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \int_0^t \mathbb{P}(|B_s| < \varepsilon) \, ds = 0.$$

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(c) As $\varepsilon \to 0$ for g(x) = x,

$$|B_t| = |B_0| + \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \int_0^t \operatorname{sgn}(B_s) \chi_{|B_s| \ge \varepsilon} \, ds + \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} |\{s \in [0, t] \, | \, |B_s| < \varepsilon\}|$$

$$= |B_0| + \int_0^t \operatorname{sgn}(B_s) \, ds + L_t.$$

- 11. Problem 11
 - (a) Let $X_t = e^{t/2} \cos(B_t)$. Then $dX_t = \frac{1}{2} e^{t/2} \cos(B_t) dt e^{t/2} \sin(B_t) dB_t + \frac{1}{2} (-e^{t/2} \cos(B_t)) d[B, B]_t = -e^{t/2} \sin(B_t) dB_t.$
 - (b) Let $X_t = e^{t/2} \sin(B_t)$. Then $dX_t = \frac{1}{2} e^{t/2} \sin(B_t) dt + e^{t/2} \cos(B_t) dB_t + \frac{1}{2} (-e^{t/2} \sin(B_t)) d[B, B]_t = e^{t/2} \cos(B_t) dB_t.$
 - (c) Let $X_t = (B_t + t)e^{-B_t t/2}$. Then $dX_t = e^{-B_t t/2}d(B_t + t) + (B_t + t)d(e^{-B_t t/2}) + d[B_t + t, e^{-B_t t/2}]$ $= e^{-B_t t/2}(dt + dB_t) \frac{1}{2}X_t dt X_t dB_t e^{-B_t t/2} dt + \frac{1}{2}(B_t + t)e^{-B_t t/2} dt$ $= e^{-B_t t/2}(1 t B_t) dB_t.$
- 12. The given condition implies $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|) < \infty$. So X_t is a martingale if and only if $\mathbb{E}(X_t \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = X_s$. Then

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\int_{0}^{t} u(r,\omega) dr \,|\, \mathcal{F}_{s}\right) = \mathbb{E}(X_{t} - X_{s} \,|\, \mathcal{F}_{s}) = 0.$$

Moreover by dominated convergence

$$\mathbb{E}(u(t,\omega)\,dr\,|\,\mathcal{F}_s) = \mathbb{E}(\frac{d}{ds}\int_{s}^{t}u(r,\omega)\,dr\,|\,\mathcal{F}_s) = 0.$$

Then

$$u(t,\omega) = \mathbb{E}(u(t,\omega) \mid \mathcal{F}_t) = \lim_{s \to t^-} \mathbb{E}(u(t,\omega) \mid \mathcal{F}_s) = 0.$$

13. Let $dX_t = u(t, \omega) dt + dB_t$ where $u(t, \omega) \in \mathcal{V}([0, T])$. Then $Y_t = X_t M_t$ is a martingale, where

$$M_t = \exp\left(-\int_0^t u(r,\omega) dB_r - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t u^2(r,\omega) dr\right)$$

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since
$$\mathbb{E}(|M_t|) < \infty$$
 (see question 4b), $\mathbb{E}(|X_t|) \le \sqrt{t} \left(\sqrt{\int_0^t u^2(r,\omega) \ dr} + 1 \right) < \infty$ and
$$d(X_t M_t) = M_t dX_t + X_t dM_t + d[X,M]_t$$
$$= M_t(u(t,\omega) \ dt + dB_t) + M_t X_t(-u(t,\omega) \ dB_t - \frac{1}{2}u^2(t,\omega) \ dt)$$
$$- M_t u(t,\omega) \ dt + \frac{1}{2}M_t X_t u^2(t,\omega) \ dt$$
$$= M_t(1 - u(t,\omega) X_t) \ dB_t.$$

14. Problem 14

(a) Compute $dF_t = dB_t$, $\mathbb{E}(F_T) = 0$ and

$$dF_t - d\mathbb{E}(F_t) = 1 dB_t \implies f(t, \omega) = 1.$$

(b) Compute $dF_t = B_t dt$, $\mathbb{E}(F_T) = 0$ and

$$dF_t - d\mathbb{E}(F_t) = B_t dt = d(TB_T) - t dB_t = (T - t) dB_t \implies f(t, \omega) = T - t.$$

(c) Compute $dF_t = 2B_t dB_t + dt$, $\mathbb{E}(F_T) = T$ and

$$dF_t - d\mathbb{E}(F_t) = 2B_t dB_t + 1 dt - 1 dt = 2B_t dB_t \implies f(t, \omega) = 2B_t.$$

(d) Compute $dF_t = 3B_t^2 dB_t + 3B_t dt$, $\mathbb{E}(F_T) = 0$ and

$$dF_t - d\mathbb{E}(F_t) = 3B_t^2 dB_t + 3B_t dt$$

= $3B_t^2 + 3(T - t) dB_s \implies f(t, \omega) = 3B_t^2 + 3T - 3t.$

(e) Recall that $e^{B_t-t/2}$ is a martingale and compute

$$d(e^{B_t - t/2}) = e^{B_t - t/2} dB_t.$$

Deduce that

$$e^{B_T} = e^{T/2} \left(1 + \int_0^T e^{B_t - t/2} dB_t \right) \implies f(t, \omega) = e^{B_t + (T - t)/2}.$$

(f) Find martingale $e^{t/2}\sin(B_t)$ and compute

$$d(e^{t/2}\sin(B_t)) = e^{t/2}\cos(B_t) dB_t$$

Deduce that

$$\sin(B_T) = e^{-T/2} \int_0^T e^{t/2} \cos(B_t) dB_t \implies f(t, \omega) = e^{-(T-t)/2} \cos(B_t).$$

15. Define $X_t = (x^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3}B_t)^3$. Then

$$dX_t = 3X_t^{2/3}d(x^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3}B_t) + 3X_t^{1/3}d\left[x^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3}B_t, x^{1/3} + \frac{1}{3}B_t\right]$$
$$= X_t^{2/3}dB_t + \frac{1}{3}X_t^{1/3}dt.$$

Stochastic Differential Equations

- 1. Question 1
 - (a) Compute $dX_t = d(e^{B_t}) = e^{B_t} dB_t + \frac{1}{2}^{B_t} d[B, B]_t = \frac{1}{2} X_t dt + X_t dB_t$.
 - (b) Compute

$$dX_t = d\left(\frac{B_t}{1+t}\right) = \frac{1}{1+t} dB_t - \frac{B_t}{(1+t)^2} dt = \frac{1}{1+t} dB_t - \frac{1}{1+t} X_t dt.$$

- (c) Compute $dX_t = d(\sin(B_t)) = \cos(B_t) dB_t \frac{1}{2}\sin(B_t) dt = \cos(B_t) dB_t \frac{1}{2}X_t dt$.
- (d) Compute $dX_t^{(1)} = dt$ and

$$dX_t^{(2)} = d(e^t B_t) = e^t dB_t + e^t B_t dt = e^t dB_t + X_t^{(2)} dt.$$

(e) Compute differentials

$$d(\cosh(B_t)) = \sinh(B_t) dB_t + \frac{1}{2} \cosh(B_t) dt$$

and

$$d(\sinh(B_t)) = \cosh(B_t) dB_t + \frac{1}{2} \sinh(B_t) dt.$$

Deduce that

$$\begin{pmatrix} dX_t^{(1)} \\ dX_t^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} X_t^{(1)} \\ X_t^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} X_t^{(2)} \\ X_t^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} dB_t.$$

2. Let $X_t^{(1)} = a \cos(B_t)$ and $X_t^{(2)} = b \sin(B_t)$. Then

$$dX_t^{(1)} = -a\sin(B_t) dB_t - \frac{a}{2}\cos(B_t) dt = -\frac{1}{2}X_t^{(1)} dt - \frac{a}{b}X_t^{(2)} dB_t$$

and

$$dX_t^{(2)} = b\cos(B_t) dB_t - \frac{b}{2}\sin(B_t) dt = -\frac{1}{2}X_t^{(2)} dt + \frac{b}{a}X_t^{(1)} dB_t.$$

3. The solution is given by

$$X_t = X_0 \exp\left((r - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k^2)t + \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k dB_k\right).$$

4. Question 4

(a) The solution to $dX_t^{(1)} = dt + dB_t^{(1)}$ is $X_t^{(1)} = X_0^{(1)} + t + B_t^{(1)}$ and

$$dX_t^{(2)} = X_t^{(1)} dB_t^{(2)} = (X_0^{(1)} + t + B_t^{(1)}) dB_t^{(2)}$$

is

$$X_t^{(2)} = X_0^{(2)} + X_0^{(1)} B_t^{(2)} + \int_0^t (s + B_s^{(1)}) dB_s^{(2)}.$$

(b) Using integrating factors, solve $dX_t = X_t dt + dB_t$ for

$$e^{-t}X_t - X_0 = \int_0^t e^{-s} dB_s$$

and deduce that the solution X_t is

$$X_t = e^t X_0 + \int_0^t e^{t-s} dB_s.$$

(c) Using integrating factors, solve $dX_t = -X_t dt + e^{-t} dB_t$ for

$$e^t X_t - X_0 = \int_0^t dB_s$$

and deduce that the solution X_t is

$$X_t = e^{-t}(X_0 + B_t).$$

5. The Langevin equation is given by

$$dX_t - \mu X_t dt = \sigma dB_t.$$

(a) Using integrating factors, solve for

$$e^{-\mu t}X_t - X_0 = \int_0^t e^{-\mu s} \sigma \, dB_s$$

and deduce that the solution X_t is

$$X_t = e^{\mu t} X_0 + \sigma \int_0^t e^{\mu(t-s)} dB_s.$$

(b) The expected value of X_t is

$$\mathbb{E}(X_t) = e^{\mu t} X_0$$

and, by Itô isometry, the variance of X_t is

$$\mathbb{V}(X_t) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sigma^2\left(\int_0^t e^{\mu(t-s)} dB_s\right)^2\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sigma^2\int_0^t e^{2\mu(t-s)} ds\right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\mu}(e^{2\mu t} - 1).$$

6. Suppose Y_t is given by

$$dY_t = r dt + \alpha Y_t dB_t.$$

Using integrating factors, solve for

$$d(e^{-\alpha B_t}Y_t) = e^{-\alpha B_t}Y_t\left(r - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right) dt$$

and

$$e^{-\alpha B_t + \frac{\alpha^2}{2}t} Y_t - Y_0 = \int_0^t r e^{-\alpha B_s + \frac{\alpha^2}{2}s} ds.$$

Deduce that

$$Y_t = e^{\alpha B_t - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}t} Y_0 + r \int_0^t e^{\alpha (B_t - B_s) - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}(t - s)} ds.$$

7. The Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process is given by

$$dX_t = (m - X_t) dt + \sigma dB_t.$$

(a) Using integrating factors, solve for

$$e^t X_t - X_0 = \int_0^t e^s m \, ds + \int_0^t e^s \sigma \, dB_s$$

and deduce that the solution X_t is

$$X_t = e^{-t}X_0 + m(1 - e^{-t}) + \sigma \int_0^t e^{s-t} dB_s.$$

(b) The expected value of X_t is

$$\mathbb{E}(X_t) = m + e^{-t}(X_0 - m)$$

and the variance of X_t is

$$\mathbb{V}(X_t) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sigma^2 \left(\int_0^t e^{s-t} dB_s\right)^2\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sigma^2 \int_0^t e^{2s-2t} ds\right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}(1 - e^{-2t}).$$

8. Consider the stochastic differential equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} dX_t^{(1)} \\ dX_t^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_t^{(1)} \\ X_t^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha dB_t^{(1)} \\ \beta dB_t^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

By d'Alembert's formula, it has a solution of the form

$$X_t = e^{At}X_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)}g(s) ds,$$

where

$$e^{At} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{it} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-it} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) & \sin(t) \\ -\sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Conclude that the solutions are

$$X_t^{(1)} = X_0^{(1)}\cos(t) + X_0^{(2)}\sin(t) + \alpha \int_0^t \cos(t-s) dB_s^{(1)} + \beta \int_0^t \sin(t-s) dB_s^{(2)}$$

and

$$X_t^{(2)} = -X_0^{(1)}\sin(t) + X_0^{(2)}\cos(t) - \alpha \int_0^t \sin(t-s) dB_s^{(1)} + \beta \int_0^t \cos(t-s) dB_s^{(2)}.$$

9. Let $dX_t = \ln(1 + X_t^2) dt + \chi_{\{X_t > 0\}} X_t dB_t$. It suffices to check that

$$|b(t,x)| + |\sigma(t,x)| = \ln(1+x^2) + \chi_{\{x>0\}}|x| \le \frac{2}{e}(|x|+1) + |x| \le 2(|x|+1),$$

$$\mathbb{E}(|X_0|^2) = \alpha^2 < \infty$$
, and

$$|b(t,x) - b(t,y)| + |\sigma(t,x) - \sigma(t,y)| \le |\ln(x^2) - \ln(y^2)| + |x-y| \le 3|x-y|.$$

Hence, by Theorem 5.2.1, there is a unique strong solution to the stochastic differential equation.

10. Calculate

$$\mathbb{E}(X_t^2) = \mathbb{E}\left(Z + \int_0^t b(s, X_s) \, ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s) \, dB_s\right)^2$$

$$\leq 3 \left(\mathbb{E}(Z^2) + \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t b(s, X_s) \, ds\right)^2 + \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s) \, dB_s\right)^2\right)$$

$$\leq 3 \left(\mathbb{E}(Z^2) + T\mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t b(s, X_s)^2 \, ds\right) + \mathbb{E}\left(\int_0^t \sigma(s, X_s)^2 \, ds\right)\right)$$

$$\leq 3\mathbb{E}(Z^2) + 6C^2 \left(T + \int_0^t \mathbb{E}(|X_s|^2) \, ds\right) (T+1)$$

$$= (3\mathbb{E}(Z^2) + 6C^2T(T+1)) + 6C^2(T+1) \int_0^t \mathbb{E}(|X_s|^2) \, ds.$$

and apply Gronwall to derive the result.

11. Consider the stochastic process

$$Y_t = a(1-t) + bt + (1-t) \int_0^t \frac{dB_s}{1-s}.$$

Then $Y_0 = a$ and, for $t \in [0, 1)$, Y_t solves

$$dY_{t} = (b - a) dt - \int_{0}^{t} \frac{dB_{s}}{1 - s} dt + (1 - t) \frac{dB_{t}}{1 - t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - t} \left((b - a)(1 - t) - (1 - t) \int_{0}^{t} \frac{dB_{s}}{1 - s} \right) dt + dB_{t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - t} \left(b - a(1 - t) - bt - (1 - t) \int_{0}^{t} \frac{dB_{s}}{1 - s} \right) dt + dB_{t}$$

$$= \frac{b - Y_{t}}{1 - t} dt + dB_{t}.$$

Finally by Itô isometry $\mathbb{E}\left((1-t)^2\int_0^t\frac{dB_s}{1-s}\right)^2=(1-t)^2\int_0^t\frac{1}{(1-s)^2}ds=(1-t)t\to 0$ as $t\to 1^-$ and so limit $\lim_{t\to 1^-}Y_t\stackrel{\mathrm{a.s.}}{=}b$.

- 12. Let $y''(t) + (1 + \varepsilon W_t)y(t) = 0$ where $W_t = \frac{dB_t}{dt}$ is 1-dimensional white noise.
 - (a) Rewrite

$$\begin{pmatrix} dy_t \\ d\dot{y}_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_t \\ \dot{y}_t \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -\varepsilon & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_t \\ \dot{y}_t \end{pmatrix} dB_t.$$

(b) Check that, if $y(t) = y(0) + y'(0)t + \int_0^t (r-t)y(r) dr + \int_0^t \varepsilon(r-t)y(r) dB_r$, then

$$y'(t) = y'(0) - \int_0^t y(r) dr - \int_0^t \varepsilon y(r) dB_r = y'(0) - \int_0^t y(r)(1 + \varepsilon W_r) dr$$

and
$$y''(t) = -(1 + \varepsilon W_r) dr$$
.

13. Let $x_t'' + a_0 x_t' + w^2 x_t = (T_0 - \alpha_0 x_t') \eta W_t$ where W_t is 1-dimensional white noise. Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx_t \\ d\dot{x}_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -w^2 & -a_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ \dot{x}_t \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha_0 \eta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_t \\ \dot{x}_t \end{pmatrix} dB_t + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ T_0 \eta \end{pmatrix} dB_t$$

and by d'Alembert's formula the solution is

$$X_t = e^{At}X_0 + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)}KX_s dB_s + \int_0^t e^{A(t-s)}M dB_s.$$

The eigenvalues of A satisfy $\lambda^2 + a_0\lambda + w^2 = 0$ and are $\lambda_{\pm} = -\frac{a_0}{2} \pm \sqrt{w^2 - \frac{a_0^2}{4}}i =: -\lambda \pm \xi i$. Then take the exponential of matrix A

$$\begin{split} e^{At} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \lambda_{+} & \lambda_{-} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_{+}t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_{-}t} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \lambda_{+} & \lambda_{-} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda_{-} - \lambda_{+}} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{-}e^{\lambda_{+}t} - \lambda_{+}e^{\lambda_{-}t} & e^{\lambda_{-}t} - e^{\lambda_{+}t} \\ -\lambda_{-}\lambda_{+}(e^{\lambda_{-}t} - e^{\lambda_{+}t}) & \lambda_{-}e^{\lambda_{-}t} - \lambda_{+}e^{\lambda_{+}t} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\xi i} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda t}(-\lambda \cdot 2i\sin(\xi t) - \xi i \cdot 2\cos(\xi t) & e^{-\lambda t}(-2i\sin(\xi t)) \\ -w^{2}e^{-\lambda t}(-2i\sin(\xi t)) & e^{-\lambda t}(-\lambda \cdot 2i\sin(\xi t) - \xi i \cdot 2\cos(\xi t) + 2\lambda \cdot 2i\sin(\xi t)) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda t}}{\xi} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda\sin(\xi t) + \xi\cos(\xi t) & \sin(\xi t) \\ -w^{2}\sin(\xi t) & \lambda\sin(\xi t) + \xi\cos(\xi t) - 2\lambda\sin(\xi t) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda t}}{\xi} \left((\lambda\sin(\xi t) + \xi\cos(\xi t))I + A\sin(\xi t) \right). \end{split}$$

Next, letting $y_s=\dot{x_s},$ $g_t=e^{-\lambda t}\frac{\sin(\xi t)}{\xi}$ and $h_t=e^{-\lambda t}\frac{\xi\cos(\xi t)-\lambda\sin(\xi t)}{\xi}$, compute

$$e^{A(t-s)}KX_s = -\frac{\alpha_0\eta e^{-\lambda(t-s)}}{\xi}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sin(\xi(t-s)) \\ 0 & \xi\cos(\xi(t-s)) - \lambda\sin(\xi(t-s)) \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} x_s \\ \dot{x_s} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_0\eta y_s g_{t-s} \\ -\alpha_0\eta y_s h_{t-s} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$e^{A(t-s)}M = \frac{T_0 \eta e^{-\lambda(t-s)}}{\xi} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\xi(t-s)) \\ \xi \cos(\xi(t-s)) - \lambda \sin(\xi(t-s)) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \eta T_0 g_{t-s} \\ \eta T_0 h_{t-s} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows that

$$x_t = \eta \int_0^t (T_0 - \alpha_0 y_s) g_{t-s} dB_s$$

and

$$y_t = \eta \int_0^t (T_0 - \alpha_0 y_s) h_{t-s} dB_s.$$

14. Letting $Z_t = F(\mathbf{B}_t)$, where $\mathbf{B}_t = B_t^{(1)} + iB_t^{(2)}$, calculate

$$dZ_{t} = F_{x}(\mathbf{B}_{t}) dB_{t}^{(1)} + F_{y}(\mathbf{B}_{t}) dB_{t}^{(2)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} F_{xx}(\mathbf{B}_{t}) d[B^{(1)}, B^{(1)}]_{t} + F_{xy}(\mathbf{B}_{t}) d[B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}]_{t} + F_{yy}(\mathbf{B}_{t}) d[B^{(2)}, B^{(2)}]_{t}$$

$$= (u_{x} + iv_{x}) dB_{t}^{(1)} + (u_{y} + iv_{y}) dB_{t}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{2} (u_{xx} + iv_{xx} + u_{yy} + iv_{yy}) dt$$

$$= \langle F'(\mathbf{B}_{t}), dB_{t} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} (v_{xy} - iu_{xy} + u_{yy} + iv_{yy}) dt$$

$$= \langle F'(\mathbf{B}_{t}), dB_{t} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} (-u_{yy} - iv_{yy} + u_{yy} + iv_{yy}) dt$$

$$= \langle F'(\mathbf{B}_{t}), dB_{t} \rangle.$$

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