

Financial Mathematics - Problem Sheet 8

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Answer 2. a)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(U_s, U_t) &= \mathbb{E}[U_s U_t] - \mathbb{E}[U_s] \mathbb{E}[U_t] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[U_s U_t] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(W_s - sW_1)(W_t - tW_1)] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[W_s W_t] - \mathbb{E}[sW_1 W_t] - \mathbb{E}[tW_1 W_s] + \mathbb{E}[stW_1^2] \\ &= \text{Cov}(W_s, W_t) - s\text{Cov}(W_1, W_t) - t\text{Cov}(W_1, W_s) + st\text{Var}(W_1) \\ &= s - st - st + st \\ &= s(1 - t)\end{aligned}$$

Answer 2. b)

Y_t can be restated as

$$\begin{aligned}Y_t &= (1 + t)U_{t/1+t} \\ &= (1 + t) \left\{ W_{t/1+t} - \frac{t}{1+t} W_1 \right\} \\ &= (1 + t)W_{t/1+t} - tW_1\end{aligned}$$

For Y_t to be a standard Brownian motion, it must fulfil the following properties

i). $Y_0 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}Y_0 &= (1 + 0)W_{0/1+0} - 0W_1 \\ &= W_0 = 0\end{aligned}$$

ii). *Increments of Y_t are independent.*

Consider $(Y_t - Y_s)$ with $s \leq t$.

$$\begin{aligned}(Y_t - Y_s) &= \{(1 + t)W_{t/1+t} - tW_1\} - \{(1 + s)W_{s/1+s} - sW_1\} \\ &= (1 + s)(W_{t/1+t} - W_{s/1+s}) - (t - s)(W_1 - W_{t/1+t})\end{aligned}$$

Since W_t is standard Brownian motion, the increments $(W_{t/1+t} - W_{s/1+s})$, $(W_1 - W_{t/1+t})$ are independent of \mathcal{F}_s and thus the increment $(Y_t - Y_s)$ is independent of \mathcal{F}_s for all $s \leq t$.

iii). *Increments have stationary Gaussian Distributions.*

As W_t is standard Brownian motion, its increments have gaussian distributions. Thus, by linearity, the increments of $\{Y_t\}$ have gaussian distributions too.

Consider the mean and variance of increment $(Y_t - Y_s)$ with $s \leq t$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[Y_t - Y_s] &= (1+s)\mathbb{E}[W_{t/1+t} - W_{s/1+s}] - (t-s)\mathbb{E}[W_1 - W_{t/1+t}] \\ &= 0 - 0 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[Y_t - Y_s] &= (1+s)^2 \text{Var}[W_{t/1+t} - W_{s/1+s}] - (t-s)^2 \text{Var}[W_1 - W_{t/1+t}] \\ &= (1+s)^2 \left(\frac{t}{1+t} - \frac{s}{1+s} \right) - (t-s)^2 \left(1 - \frac{t}{1+t} \right) \\ &= \frac{(1+s)(t-s)}{1+t} - \frac{(t-s)^2}{1+t} \\ &= \dots\end{aligned}$$

Answer 3. a)

I wrote the following python code

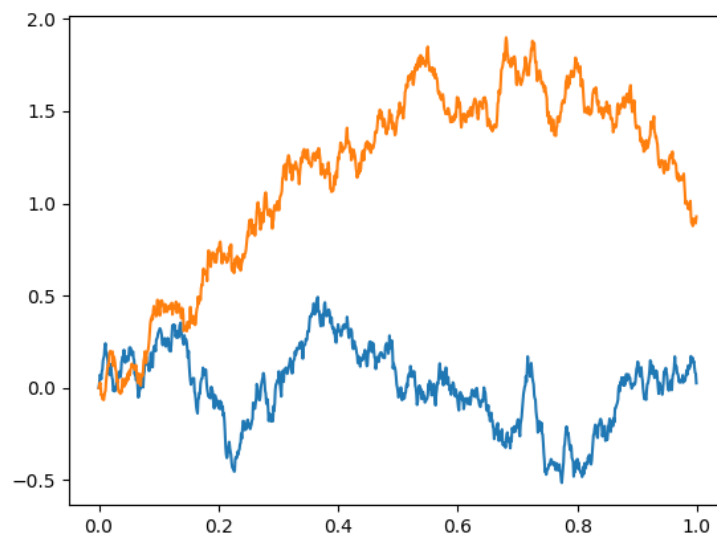
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import numpy as np
from scipy import stats
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def sample_standard_norm():
    return stats.norm(0,1).rvs(1)[0]

def standard_brownian_motion(n:int):
    X_is=[sample_standard_norm() for _ in range(1,n)]
    S_ns=[0]+list(np.cumsum(X_is))
    W_ts=[x/np.sqrt(n) for x in S_ns]
    return W_ts

n=1000
for i in range(2):
    plt.plot([x/n for x in range(n)], standard_brownian_motion(n))
plt.show()
```

Which produced this plot



Answer 3. b)

I extended the code above

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def drift_brownian_motion(n:int, mu:float):  
    W_ts=standard_brownian_motion(n)  
    W_ts_drift=[W_ts[t]+mu*t for t in range(n)]  
    return W_ts_drift  
  
n=1000  
  
plt.plot([x/n for x in range(n)], drift_brownian_motion(n, -3))  
plt.plot([x/n for x in range(n)], drift_brownian_motion(n, 30))  
plt.show()
```

Which produced this plot

