

## Computational Finance

Exercises for all participants

Application of Itô calc → (Ref. Math. Finance)

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### T-Exercise 13 (Exchange rates) (4 points)

Assume that the exchange rate  $D(t)$  of the US-Dollar in Euro at time  $t > 0$  follows the equation

$$dD(t) = D(t)\mu dt + D(t)\sigma dW(t)$$

with  $D(0) > 0$  and  $\mu, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$ . Hence, the exchange rate of the Euro in US-Dollar at time  $t > 0$  is given by  $E(t) := \frac{1}{D(t)}$ . Represent the process  $E$  as Itô process, i.e. in the form

$$dE(t) = \dots dt + \dots dW(t).$$

Interpret your result economically in the case  $\mu = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ .

### T-Exercise 14 (Vasiček model for interest rates) (4 points)

Let  $W$  be a standard Brownian motion and let  $x, \kappa, \lambda$  and  $\sigma$  real numbers. Show as in the lecture that the process  $X$  with

$$dX(t) := (\kappa - \lambda X(t))dt + \sigma dW(t)$$

and  $X(0) = x$  solves the equation

$$X(t) = xe^{-\lambda t} + \frac{\kappa}{\lambda}(1 - e^{-\lambda t}) + \int_0^t e^{-\lambda(t-s)}\sigma dW(s).$$

### T-Exercise 15 (4 points)

→ stochastic Brown

Let  $W$  be a standard Brownian motion. Show that the process

$$X(t) := \mathcal{E}(W)(t) \left( 1 + \int_0^t \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}(W)(s)} ds \right), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}_+,$$

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solves the stochastic differential equation

$$dX(t) = 1dt + X(t)dW(t), \quad X(0) = 1.$$

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 solve this  $X(t) = \mathcal{E}(W)(t) \left( 1 + \int_0^t \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}(W)(s)} ds \right)$

# T-Exercise 13

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1st step: Collect given information

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$$\underbrace{dD(t)}_{\text{marks change of } D(t)} = D(t)\mu dt + D(t)\sigma dW(t) \quad \hat{=} \quad D(t) = D(0) + \int_0^t D(s)\mu ds + \int_0^t D(s)\sigma dW(s)$$

Differential form (3.6)                      Integral form (3.7)

⇒ Process of these form = Itô process

GOAL: Get Itô for  $E(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)} = f(D(t))$

basically the function we apply Itô on

$$df(X(t)) = \underbrace{\left(f'(X(t))\right)}_{(1)} \mu(t) + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(f''(X(t))\right)}_{(2)} \underbrace{\left(\sigma^2(t)\right)}_{(3)} dt + \underbrace{\left(f'(X(t))\right)}_{(1)} \underbrace{\left(\sigma(t)dW(t)\right)}_{(4)}$$

from Ito equation

2nd step Get determinants for  $f(D(t))$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{D(t)^2} \quad (1) \qquad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} = \frac{2}{D(t)^3} \quad (2)$$

3rd step Get quadratic variation (3)                      p.30

$$d[X, X]_t = \sigma^2(t) dt \Rightarrow (\sigma dD(t) \cdot \sigma dD(t)) dt = \sigma^2 dD(t)^2 dt$$

4. Step: Plug everything into Itô formula

$$dE(t) = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{D(t)^2} \left( \mu D(t) dt + \sigma D(t) dW(t) \right)}_{\text{①}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{D(t)^3} \cdot \left( \sigma^2 D(t)^2 dt \right)}_{\text{②}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{D(t)^2} \cdot \sigma(t) dW(t) \cdot D(t)}_{\text{③}} ?$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{①} &\Rightarrow -\frac{\cancel{\mu D(t)}}{D(t)^2} dt - \sigma \frac{\cancel{D(t)}}{D(t)^2} dW(t) = \left( -\frac{\mu}{D(t)} dt - \frac{\sigma}{D(t)} dW(t) \right) \\ \text{②} &\Rightarrow \cancel{\frac{1}{2}} \cancel{\frac{2}{D(t)^3}} \sigma^2 \cancel{D(t)^2} dt = \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{D(t)} dt \right) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{supposed to become} \\ \text{random part /} \\ \text{Martingale} \end{array} \right\} \\ \text{③} &= -\frac{1}{D(t)^2} \sigma(t) dW(t) \cdot \cancel{D(t)} ? \end{aligned}$$

5. Step: Put everything together

$$\begin{aligned} dE(t) &= -\frac{\mu}{D(t)} \boxed{dt} - \frac{\sigma}{D(t)} dW(t) + \frac{\sigma^2}{D(t)} \boxed{dt} - \frac{1}{D(t)^2} \sigma(t) dW(t) \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2 - \mu}{D(t)} \boxed{dt} - \frac{\sigma}{D(t)} dW(t) - \frac{1}{D(t)^2} \sigma(t) dW(t) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{in terms of} \\ E(t) = \frac{1}{D(t)} \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$dE(t) = (\sigma^2 - \mu) E(t) dt - \sigma E(t) dW(t) - E(t)^2 \sigma(t) dW(t)$$

6. Step: Interpretation: with  $\mu = \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2$  the deterministic part of our Itô formula would cancel out. This means an average on the long run are drift evoked. Only stochastic (randomness)