

$$X = \underbrace{M}_{\text{local martingale}} + \underbrace{A}_{\text{bounded variation process}}$$

Ito: $f \in \mathcal{C}^2, df(X_t) = f'(X_s)dX_s + \frac{1}{2}f''(X_s)d\langle X \rangle_s$

1 Basic concepts of SPT

Starting point: semimartingale market models, ie:

$$dB(t) = r(t)B(t)dt \quad (1)$$

$$dX_i(t) = X_i(t) \left(b_i(t)dt + \sum_{\nu} \sigma_{i,\nu} dW_{\nu}(t) \right) \quad (2)$$

Here:

- $B(t)$ is the value of the bank account if we start from 1 dollar today.
- $X_i(t)$ stands for the price of one share of stock of company i .
- $r(t)$ is the short rate.
- $b_i(t)$ rate of return of stock i .
- $\sigma_{i,\nu}(t)$ volatility of stock i with respect to W_{ν} .

Theorem 1 (Solutions). (1) and (2) admit solutions (as long as we know the ?) $B(t) = e^{\int_0^t r_s ds}$

$$X_i(t) = X_i(0) \exp\left(\int_0^t \gamma_i(s)ds + \int \sum_{\nu=1}^d \sigma_{i,\nu}(s)dW_{\nu}(s)\right)$$

where

$$\gamma_i(t) = b_i(t) - \frac{1}{2}a_{ii}(t) = b_i(t) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu=1}^d \sigma_{i\mu}^2(t)$$

is called the growth rate.

Proof. • $e^{\int_0^t r(s)ds}$ is a process of bounded variations. $(\int_0^t r(s)ds = \int_0^t r(s)^+ ds - \int_0^t r(s)^- ds)$ By Ito's formula for the semi martingale $\int_0^t r(s)ds$ and $f = \exp$ $de^{\int_0^t r(s)ds} = e^{\int_0^t r(s)ds} d(\int_0^t r(s)ds) = e^{\int_0^t r(s)ds} r(t)dt$.

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$$X_i(t) = X_i(0) e^{\int_0^t \gamma_i(s)ds + \int \sum_{\nu=1}^d \sigma_{i,\nu}(s)dW_{\nu}(s)}$$

$$d \log(X_i(t)) = d\left(\int_0^t \gamma_i(s)ds + \int \sum_{\nu=1}^d \sigma_{i,\nu}(s)dW_{\nu}(s)\right) = \gamma_i(t)dt + \sum_{\nu=1}^d \sigma_{i,\nu}(t)dW_{\nu}(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d \log(X_i(t)) &= \frac{dX_i(t)}{X_i(t)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{X_i(t)^2} \underbrace{\sum \sigma_{i\mu}^2(t)dt}_{d\langle X_i \rangle(t)} \\ &= \frac{dX_i(t)}{X_i(t)} - \frac{1}{2} \sum \sigma_{i\mu}^2(t)dt \end{aligned}$$

□

Remak 1 (growth rate).

$$\frac{1}{T} \log X_i(t) - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma_i(t)dt \rightarrow 0$$

Whenever σ does not grow too fast in T .

Proof.

$$\frac{1}{T} \log X_i(t) - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma_i(t)dt = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum_{\nu} \gamma_{i\nu}(t)dW_{\nu}(t)$$

□

Theorem 2 (Time change martingale). *Every stochastic integral $I_t = \sum \int h_\nu dW_\nu(s)$ can be written as a time change of a brownian motion β where*

$$\beta(s) = I_{\tau_s}$$

$$\tau_s = \inf\{t : \int_0^t \sum h_\nu(s)^2 ds\}$$

$$I_t = \beta(< I >_t)$$

2 Class Portfolios old theory

Definition 1 (Portfolios). *Fix a filtration $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ such that B, X_i, r, b, σ are adapted to it. A portfolio $\Pi(t) = (\Pi_1(t), \dots, \Pi_n(t))$ is a bounded progressively measurable process with respect to $(\mathcal{F}_t)_t$ such that:*

$$\sum_i \Pi_i(t) = 1 \quad \forall t$$

We call Π long-only portfolio if $\pi_i(t) \geq 0 \forall i$

Definition 2 (Progressively measurable). $\Pi(t)$ measurable with respect to $\cup_{s < t} \mathcal{F}_s$

Example 1. • *Equal weighted portfolio:* $\Pi_1(t) = \dots = \Pi_n(t) = \frac{1}{n}$.

• *Market portfolio:* Suppose company i has $N_i(t)$ shares at time t $\Pi_i(t) = \frac{X_i(t)V_i(t)}{\sum X_j(t)V_j(t)}$

Assumption: All portfolios Π are self financing (\iff we immediately re investing all gain from trading). Mathematically, the portfolio value $V^{(\pi)}(t) = \sum \Pi_i(t)X_i(t)$ satisfies the equation $\frac{dV^{(\pi)}(t)}{V^{(\pi)}(t)} = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \frac{dX_i(t)}{X_i(t)}$.

Theorem 3. *Has an explicit solution*

$$V^{(\pi)}(t) = V^{(\pi)}(0) \exp\left(\int_0^t \gamma_\pi(u) du + \int_0^t \sum_\nu \sigma_{\pi\nu}(u) dW_\nu(u)\right)$$

$$\gamma_\pi(t) = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \gamma_i(t) + \gamma_\pi^*(t) \quad \gamma_\pi^*(t) = \frac{1}{2} (\sum \pi_i(t) a_{ii}(t) - \sum_{i,j} \pi_i(t) \pi_j(t) a_{i,j}(t))$$

$$\sigma_{\pi\nu}(t) = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \sigma_{i\nu}(t)$$

Definition 3 (Portfolio). • *Classical portfolios:*

$$\zeta(t) = \left(\underbrace{\zeta_i(t)}_{(\# \text{ of share})} \right)_i$$

- *Self financing condition:* portfolio value $V(t) = \zeta \cdot X$ satisfies $dV = \zeta \cdot dX$
- *in SPT, we want to think about weights.* $\Pi_i(t) = \frac{\zeta_i(t)X_i(t)}{\zeta \cdot X}$
- *It only make sense to think of V in relative terms:*

$$\frac{dV^{(\pi)}(t)}{V^{(\pi)}(t)} = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \frac{dX_i(t)}{X_i(t)}$$

Theorem 4. *Has an explicit solution*

$$V^{(\pi)}(t) = V^{(\pi)}(0) \exp\left(\int_0^t \gamma_\pi(u) du + \int_0^t \sum_\nu \sigma_{\pi\nu}(u) dW_\nu(u)\right)$$

$$\gamma_\pi(t) = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \gamma_i(t) + \underbrace{\gamma_\pi^*(t)}_{\text{excess growth rate}}$$

$$\gamma_\pi^*(t) = \frac{1}{2} (\sum \pi_i(t) a_{ii}(t) - \sum_{i,j} \pi_i(t) \pi_j(t) a_{i,j}(t))$$

$$\sigma_{\pi\nu}(t) = \sum_i \pi_i(t) \sigma_{i\nu}(t)$$

We can prove that $\frac{1}{T} \log(V^{(\pi)}(T)) - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma_\pi(u) du \rightarrow 0$

Remark 2 (Market portfolios and market weights). **Disclaimer:** From now on, think of $X_i(t)$ as the market capitalization of company i (# shares . price per share).

2.0.1 The market portfolio

Recall: the market portfolio has weights $\pi_i(t) = \frac{X_i(t)}{\sum X_j} = \mu_i(t)$. For the market portfolio:

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma^\mu du = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum \gamma_i(u) \mu_i(u) du + \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma_\mu^*(u) du$$

If in the original model for X_i the coefficients only depend on the μ_i s: $b_i(t) = \bar{b}_i \cdot \mu$, $\sigma_{i\nu}(t) = \bar{\sigma}_{i\nu} \cdot \mu$ then we are taking the average of a function on μ :

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(\mu_1(t), \dots, \mu_n(t)) dt$$

$\mu \rightarrow \int_0^T f(\mu(t)) dt$ is called an additive functional. To understand market portfolio:

- Need to understand how μ behaves in the real world.
- Select a class of models compatible with that.
- Study the asymptotics of the additive functional, which will give us the asymptotic growth of market portfolio.

Main observation (Fernholz): rank the market weights: $\mu_{(1)} \geq \dots \geq \mu_{(n)}$

- the curve $\log k \rightarrow \log \mu_{(k)}(t)$ is very stable over time.
- shape is close to linear (weights decay poly)
- \Rightarrow look for models of $(\mu_1(t), \dots, \mu_n(t))$ so that $(\mu_{(1)}(t), \dots, \mu_{(n)}(t))$ is stochastically stable. e.g. there exist an initial distribution of $(\mu_{(1)}(0), \dots, \mu_{(n)}(0)) \stackrel{d}{=} (\mu_{(1)}(t), \dots, \mu_{(n)}(t))$ Such a distribution is called a stationary / invariant distribution of the process.
- Simplest model of this kind: first model of Fernholz.

Definition 4 (First order model). Fix parameters b_1, \dots, b_n and $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n > 0$. Define the evolution of capitalizations:

$$dX_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} b_k + \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} \sigma_k dW_i(t)$$

Warning: Not so easy to make sense of the solution. We know:

- There exist a unique weak solution:
 - given a probability space on which W_1, \dots, W_n are defined, I can find a larger probability space on which there are processes X_1, \dots, X_n solving the equation.
 - No matter how I do it, the law (X_1, \dots, X_n) will be the same. (Bass Pardoux '87)
- There exist a unique strong solution if no more than 2 X_i 's collide $\iff k \rightarrow \sigma_k^2$ is concave. (Ichiba Karatzav, Misha '15)

Goal: Derive a SDE for the ranked caps $X_{(1)}(t) \leq \dots \leq X_{(n)}(t)$

Theorem 5 (Only two processes). $X = M^X + A^X, Y = M^Y + A^Y$ semi martingales. Then $\max(X, Y)$ and $\min(X, Y)$ are semi martingales.

$$\begin{cases} d \max(X, Y)_t = 1_{\{\max=X\}} dX + 1_{\{\max=Y\}} dY + \frac{1}{2} dL_0^{\max(X,Y)-\min(X,Y)}(t) \\ d \min(X, Y)_t = 1_{\{\max=X\}} dX + 1_{\{\max=Y\}} dY - \frac{1}{2} dL_0^{\max(X,Y)-\min(X,Y)}(t) \end{cases}$$

Proof. Key identity: $\max(X, Y) =: X \vee Y = \frac{X+Y}{2} + \frac{|X-Y|}{2}$

Ito Tanaka:

$$\begin{aligned} dX \vee Y &= \frac{dX + dY}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{sign}(X - Y) d(X - Y) + dL_0^{|X-Y|}(t) \right) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(1 + \text{sign}(X - Y)) dX}_{1_{X \geq Y}} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \text{sign}(X - Y)) dY + \frac{1}{2} dL_0^{|\max - \min|} \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 6 (Back to the first order model). *Consider a first order model with 2 stocks:*

$$dX_1(t) = 1_{\{X_1(t)=X_{(1)}(t)\}}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_1(t)) + 1_{\{X_1(t)=X_{(2)}(t)\}}(b_2dt + \sigma_2dW_2(t))$$

$$dX_2(t) = 1_{\{X_2(t)=X_{(1)}(t)\}}(b_2dt + \sigma_2dW_2(t)) + 1_{\{X_2(t)=X_{(2)}(t)\}}(b_2dt + \sigma_2dW_2(t))$$

There exist independent standard Brownian Motions β_1, β_2 such that:

$$dX_{(1)}(t) = b_1dt + \sigma_1d\beta_1(t) - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(1)}-X_{(2)}}$$

$$dX_{(2)}(t) = b_2dt + \sigma_2d\beta_2(t) - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(1)}-X_{(2)}}$$

$$(X_{(1)} = \min)$$

Lemma 1 (Levy's characterization of BM). *If M_1, \dots, M_n are continuous local martingales and $\langle M_i, M_j \rangle(t) = t1_{i=j}$, then: (M_1, \dots, M_n) is a standard n -dimensional BM.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} dX_{(1)} &= dX_1 \vee X_2 \\ &= 1_{X_1=X_{(1)}}dX_1 + 1_{X_2=X_{(1)}}dX_2 - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(2)}-X_{(1)}} \\ &= 1_{X_1=X_{(1)}}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_1) + 1_{X_1=X_{(1)}=X_2}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_2) \\ &\quad + 1_{X_2=X_{(1)}}(b_1dt + \sigma_2dW_2) + 1_{X_2=X_{(1)}=X_1}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_1) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(2)}-X_{(1)}} \\ &= 1_{X_1=X_{(1)}}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_1) + 1_{X_2=X_{(1)}}(b_1dt + \sigma_1dW_2) - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(2)}-X_{(1)}} \quad (\{t, 1_{X_1=X_2}\} \text{ has measure } 0) \\ &= b_1dt + \sigma_11_{X_1=X_{(1)}}dW_1 + \sigma_21_{X_2=X_{(1)}}dW_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$dX_{(2)} = b_2dt + \sigma_11_{X_1=X_{(2)}}dW_1 + \sigma_21_{X_2=X_{(2)}}dW_2$$

$$d\beta_{(1)} = 1_{X_{(1)}=X_1}dW_1 + 1_{X_{(1)}=X_2}dW_2$$

$$d\beta_{(2)} = 1_{X_{(2)}=X_1}dW_1 + 1_{X_{(2)}=X_2}dW_2$$

Claim: β_1, β_2 are independent standard BM. By the lemma.

- a stochastic integral is continuous and a local martingale
- Ito isometry

□

Theorem 7 (Banner, Fernholz, Karatzan '05). *Start with the first order model with n companies:*

$$dX_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}}b_kdt + \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}}\sigma_kdW_i(t)$$

Then there exist independent standard BM β_1, \dots, β_n such that $dX_{(k)} = b_kdt + \sigma_kd\beta_k(t) - \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(k+1)}-X_{(k)}}(t) + \frac{1}{2}dL_0^{X_{(k)}-X_{(k-1)}}(t)$

Proof. Difficulties

- Why are there no local times of the form $L^{X_{(l)}-X_{(k)}}$ for $l \geq k+2$?
- Why is local time coefficient $\frac{1}{2}$?

From induction Hypothesis:

$$dX_{(k)}(t) = \sum_i^n 1_{X_{(k)}=X_i(t)} \frac{1}{N_k(t)} dX_i(t) + \sum_l^{k-1} \frac{1}{N_k(t)} dL_0^{X_{(k)}-X_{(l)}}(t) - \sum_{l=k+1}^n \frac{1}{N_k(t)} dL_0^{X_{(l)}-X_{(k)}}(t)$$

Idea $X_{(1)} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \min(X_1, \min(X_2, \dots, X_n))$

Tasks at this point

- $N_k(t) = 1$ for all k and lebesgue a.e.t with probability 1.
- $L_0^{X_{(k)} - X_{(k)}} = 0$ for all $|l - k| \geq 1$ with probability 1.
- $N_k(t) = 2$ under $dL_0^{X_{(k+1)} - X_{(k)}}$ with probability 1, ie $\mathbb{P}(\int_0^\infty 1_{\{N_k(t) \neq 2\}} dL_0^{X_{(k+1)} - X_{(k)}} = 0)$

□

2.0.2 Skorokhod problems and reflected Brownian motions

Definition 5 (Skorokhod problem in 1D). *Given a continuous path $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ with $\phi(0) > 0$, want to find a non-decreasing path $\eta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ s.t*

- $\psi(t) = \phi(t) + \eta(t) \geq 0$ for all $t \geq 0$.
- $\int_0^\infty 1_{\psi(t) \neq 0} d\eta(t) = 0$

Theorem 8 (Skorokhod). *There exists a unique solution of the skorokhod problem for any continuous ϕ s.t $\phi(0) > 0$.*

Proof. • $\eta(t) = \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} \phi^-(s) \int_0^\infty 1_{\psi(t) \neq 0} d\eta(t) = 0?$

Note that a point of increase t of η (\iff the support of the corresponding measure $d\eta$) have the property $\phi(t)^- = \sup_{s \leq t} \phi(s)^- = \eta(t)$.

We need to show that $\psi(t) = 0$ for such a point t .

- Uniqueness: $(\eta, \psi), (\hat{\eta}, \hat{\psi})$ two solutions.

$\hat{\psi} - \psi = \hat{\eta} - \eta$ BV process.

Ito: $\frac{1}{2}(\hat{\psi} - \psi)^2 = \int_0^t (\hat{\psi} - \psi) d(\hat{\eta} - \eta) = - \int_0^t \hat{\psi} d\eta - \int_0^t \psi d\hat{\eta}$

□

Definition 6 (Reflected Brownian motion in 1D).

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi : C([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow C([0, \infty), \mathbb{R}) \\ \phi &\longrightarrow \psi \end{aligned}$$

A reflected Brownian motion with drift μ and diffusion coefficient σ is the process $\Phi(\mu t + \sigma B(t))$

Remak 3. Consider a first order model with 2 companies: $dX_i = 1_{X_i=X_{(1)}} b_1 dt + 1_{X_i=X_{(2)}} b_2 dt + 1_{X_i=X_{(1)}} \sigma_1 dW_1 + 1_{X_i=X_{(2)}} \sigma_2 dW_2$

Claim: $|X_1 - X_2| = X_{(2)} - X_{(1)}$ is a RBM with drift $b_2 - b_1$ and drift coefficient $\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$. $\underbrace{X_{(2)}(t) - X_{(1)}(t)}_{\psi(t)} =$

$$\underbrace{X_{(2)}(0) - X_{(1)}(0) + (b_2 - b_1)t + \sigma_2 \beta_2(t) - \sigma_1 \beta_1(t)}_{\phi(t)} + L_0^{X_{(2)} - X_{(1)}}(t)$$

Definition 7 (Skorokhod problem in R_+^m (SP)). *Consider a continuous path $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ st $\phi(0) > 0$, and a matrix $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. We want to find a continuous path $\eta : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ such that:*

- all components of η are non-decreasing.
- $\psi(t) = \phi(t) + R\eta(t)$
- $\int_0^\infty 1_{\psi_k(t) \neq 0} d\eta_k(t) = 0$

Theorem 9 (Existence and Uniqueness of the Solution). *$R = I - Q$ and Q has non negative entries, zero diagonal entries and spectral radius < 1 , then the skorokhod problem has unique solution.*

Proof. Define $C_0 = \{\eta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (R^+)^m \text{ non decreasing components starting at } 0\}$ $\Pi : C_0 \rightarrow C_0; \eta \rightarrow \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} (\phi(s) - Q\eta(s))$ **Claim:**

$$\eta \text{ Solution to SP} \iff \Pi(\eta) = \eta$$

\implies existence and uniqueness Banach fixed point theorem. (starting from 0)

□

Fixed point. \Rightarrow If $\Pi(\eta) = \eta$, then η solves SP.

$$- \eta(t) = \sup_{s \leq t} (\phi(s) - Q\eta(s)), \eta \text{ is non-decreasing, } \eta(0) = 0.$$

– Non negativity:

$$\psi(t) = \phi(t) + \eta(t) - Q\eta(t) \geq \eta(t) + (\phi(t) - Q\eta(t)) \geq 0$$

– $\{\text{points of increase of } \eta_i\} \subseteq \{t; \psi_i(t) = 0\}$

Let t^* be a point of increase of η_i . so we have:

$$\sup_{0 \leq s \leq t^*} (\phi_i(s) - \sum_{j=1}^m Q_{ij} \eta_j(s))^- = (\phi_i(t^*) - \sum_{j=1}^m Q_{ij} \eta_j(t^*))^-$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \psi(t^*) &= \phi(t^*) + (I - Q)\eta(t^*) \\ &= \underbrace{(\phi_i(t^*) - Q\eta(t^*))^+}_0 + (\phi_i(t^*) - Q\eta(t^*))^- + \eta(t^*) \\ &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Leftarrow Steps:

– v a fixed point, η a solution, then $v \leq \eta$

– Suppose $\eta_i(t) > v_i(t)$, for i, t , then $\eta_i(t^*) > v_i(t^*)$ for a t^* which is a point of increase of η_i

– $0 = \psi(t^*) = \phi(t^*) - (Q\eta)_i(t^*) + \eta_i(t^*) = \underbrace{(\phi(t^*) - (Q\eta)_i(t^*))^+}_0 - \underbrace{(\phi(t^*) - (Q\eta)_i(t^*))^-}_{\leq v_i(t^*)} + \eta_i(t^*)$ so $v_i(t^*) \geq +\eta_i(t^*)$.

□

Theorem 10 (Banach Fixed Point Theorem). *If (S, d) a complete metric space, and $\Pi : S \rightarrow S$ α -contractant, $\alpha < 1$. Then there exists a unique fixed point of Π*

Application. Define $C_0^T = \{\eta : [0, T] \rightarrow (R^+)^m \text{ non decreasing components starting at } 0\}$ Consider the space C_0^T with the distance: $d(\eta, \tilde{\eta}) = \sup_{[0, T]} \|\eta(t) - \tilde{\eta}(t)\|_\infty$

$\Pi : C_0^T \rightarrow C_0^T$ is not a contraction unfortunately.

Instead:

for a matrix Q with non negative entries and $\text{spec}(Q) < 1$ then there exist a diagonal D with positive entries s.t. DQD^{-1} has column sums of the new matrix ≤ 1 .

If we have a solution to SP with DQD^{-1} , then the image under D^{-1} of the new reflected path is the desired Ψ . $\Pi : C_0^T \rightarrow C_0^T$ is a contraction for $DQD^{-1} = \tilde{Q}$. □

Goal: Banner Fernholz Karatzad theorem (*):

$$dX_{(k)} = b_k dt + \sigma_k d\beta_k + \frac{1}{2} dL_0^{X_{(k)} - X_{(k-1)}} - \frac{1}{2} dL_0^{X_{(k+1)} - X_{(k)}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{(2)}(t) - X_{(1)}(t) \\ \vdots \\ X_{(n)}(t) - X_{(n-1)}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X_{(2)}(t) - X_{(1)}(0) \\ \vdots \\ X_{(n)}(t) - X_{(n-1)}(0) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_2 - b_1 \cdots \\ b_n - b_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} t + \begin{pmatrix} \beta_2(t) - \beta_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n(t) - \beta_{n-1}(t) \end{pmatrix} + (I - Q) \dots$$

Recall that to get (*) we need

- $\int_0^\infty 1_{X_{(i)} = X_{(i+1)}} dt = 0$ as
- $L_0^{X_{(l)} - X_{(k)}} = 0$ if $|k - l| \geq 2$
- $(|\{i, X_{(k)}(t) = X_{(l)}\}| = 2 \, dL_0^{X_{(k+1)} - X_{(k)}} \text{ ae }) \, \mathbb{P}\text{-as}$

Theorem 11 (Reiman, Williams PTRF '88). *Take a RBM Z on \mathbb{R}_+^{n-1} with reflection matrix $R = I - Q$, then $\int_0^\infty 1_{Z_l(t)=0} dL_0^{Z_k}(t) = 0$ \mathbb{P} -as for $l \neq k$*

Proof. By definition $Z(t) = Z(0) + \mu t + W(t) + R(L_0^{(Z_i(t))})_i$ where $\mu \in R^{n-1}$, W is a BM with some covariance matrix (In this case $A = 2R$).

By induction on $|J| \geq 2$, $J \subseteq \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\int_0^\infty 1_{Z_l(t)=0, l \in J} dL_0^{Z_k}(t) = 0$

□

Proof of BFK. • to $b_k dt + \sigma_k d\beta_k(t)$ in (*) Try to use Levy's characterization of BM. $\forall k \text{ Leb}(\{t, X_{(k)} = X_{(k+1)}(t)\}) = 0 \iff \forall i, j \text{ Leb}(X_i(t) = X_j(t)) = 0$ Use Girsanov, wlog $b_1 = \dots = b_n$

$$dX_i(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} \sigma_k dW_i(t)$$

$$d(X_i - X_j)(t) = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} dW_i(t) - \sum_k 1_{\{X_j(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} \sigma_k dW_j(t)}_{\text{martingale}}$$

$$\langle X_i - X_j \rangle(t) = \int_0^t \left(\sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{X_i(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} \right)^2 + \int \left(\sum_k 1_{\{X_j(t)=X_{(k)}(t)\}} \sigma_k \right)^2$$

All $\sigma_k > 0$, so $\langle \rangle_t \geq ct$ for some $c > 0$, By Monotonous class argument $\int_A d\langle \rangle_t \geq c \text{Leb}(A)$

Theorem 12. *If that property holds for a continuous martingale M then one can find θ st:*

$$\forall t > 0, \forall I \text{ open, finite, interval } P(M(t) \in I) \leq |I|^\theta$$

which would imply that $P(M(t) = m) = 0$

Counter example: Statement not true with $\Theta|I|$

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$$dY_t = \sigma(t, Y_t) dB_t$$

satisfies: law of Y_t zero abs continuous part.

- Step 2: Kang Williams AAP' 07

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