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LECTURE NOTE

# **Introduction to Stochastic Differential Equations**

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# Chapter 0

## Introduction

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Grading

- Mid-terms 1 (15%, 10/10 or 17)
- Mid-terms 2 (15%, 11/7)
- Final-term (40%)
- Assignment (20%, 8-10 times)
- Attendance (10%, absent: -2%, late: -1%)

Let  $X$  be a standard normal random variable in  $\mathbb{R}$ . i.e.,  $\mathbb{P}[X \in [a, b]] = \int_a^b \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx$ .  
(Central Limit Theorem) If  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X, E(x_i) = m, Var(x_i) = \sigma^2$ , then

$$\frac{\frac{x_1-m}{\sigma} + \frac{x_2-m}{\sigma} + \dots + \frac{x_n-m}{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow X$$

In this class, we study dynamic version of this theorem. If  $(W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be a fluctuation, then  $(W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  be a random variable in  $C[0, T]$

*Example.*  $\frac{dX_t}{dt} = rX_t; dX_1 = rX_1 dt$ . Then,  $X_t = X_0 e^{rt}$  (unrisky assets, bank)  
 $dX_t = rX_t dt + \sigma X_t dW_t, \sigma$  : volatility (risky assets, stock)

We will study:

1. Probability Space
2. Random Variable
3. Expectation

Textbooks:

1. Stochastic Calculus for Finance II (Shreve), covering chapter 1-3 or 4
2. Introduction to Stochastic Integration (Hui-Hsiung Kuo)

# Chapter 1

## General Probability Theory

### 1.1 Infinite Probability Spaces

There are three elements consisting probability space:

- $S$ : Sample space
- $\mathcal{E}$ : Family of events  $E \subseteq S$  ( $\sigma$ -algebra in measure theory)
- $\mathbb{P}$ : probability  $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(E)$  is defined for all  $E \subseteq \mathcal{E}$  ( $\mu$  with  $\mu(S) = 1$ )

*Example.*

1. Toss a coin twice (H for Head, T for Tail)  
Then,  $S = \{HH, HT, TT, TH\}$
2. Uniform random variable in  $[0, 1]^3$   
Then,  $S = [0, 1]^3$ . If  $E = [0, \frac{1}{2}]^3$ , then  $\mathbb{P}(E) = \text{Vol}(E) = \frac{1}{8}$

How to define  $\mathcal{E}$ ?

In example 2, let  $\mathcal{E}$  = family of all subsets of  $[0, 1]^3$  naively. But Banach-Tarski Paradox says there are disjoint sets  $E, F$  with  $\mathbb{P}(E \cup F) \neq \mathbb{P}(E) + \mathbb{P}(F)$  in this  $\mathcal{E}$ . Therefore we cannot naively set  $\mathcal{E}$  (Use measure theory)

In example 1, suppose that we cannot see the second flip. If  $\{HH\} \notin \mathcal{E}$  and  $\{HT, HH\} \in \mathcal{E}$ , then  $\mathcal{E} = \{\emptyset, \{HH, HT\}, \{TH, TT\}, \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}\}$

**Definition 1.1** (Measure)

Let  $\Omega$  be non-empty set and  $\mathcal{F}$  be family of subsets of  $\Omega$  with

1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$
2.  $A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^C \in \mathcal{F}$
3.  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ .

We say  $\mathcal{F}$  as  **$\sigma$ -algebra** or  **$\sigma$ -field**,  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  as **measurable**, and  $\Omega$  as **measurable space**.

*Exercises.*

- 1)  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$
- 2)  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \in \mathcal{F}$
- 3)  $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n, A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ .
- 4)  $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A - B \in \mathcal{F}$

**Definition 1.2** (Topological Space)

(See Rudin: *Real and Complex Analysis*, Chapter 1.) Let  $\Theta$  be non-empty set and  $\tau$  be family of subsets of  $\Theta$  with

1.  $\emptyset, \Theta \in \tau$
2.  $V_1, \dots, V_n \in \tau \Rightarrow V_1 \cap \dots \cap V_n \in \tau$
3.  $V_\alpha \in \tau \ \forall \alpha \in I \Rightarrow \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} V_\alpha \in \tau$ .

We say  $V \in \tau$  be an **open set**, and  $(\Theta, \tau)$  be a **topological space**.

**Definition 1.3** (Measurable Function)

$f : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\Theta, \tau)$  is **measurable** if  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{F} \ \forall V \in \tau$

**Definition 1.4** (Positive Measure)

Let  $\Omega$  be non-empty set and  $\mathcal{F}$  be  $\sigma$ -algebra. Then  $\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called **measurable** if

1.  $A_1, A_2, \dots$ : disjoint members of  $\mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \mu(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i)$
2.  $\mu(A) < \infty$  for some  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

and  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is called a **measure space**.

**Definition 1.5** (probability space, random variable)

1.  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is called as **probability space** if  $\mathbb{P}(\Omega) = 1$ .
2.  $X$  is called as **random variable** if it is a function from  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

Next Class

- Borel sets on  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{R}^d$
- Lebesgue Measure
- Lebesgue Integral (Define Expectation of random variable)

Last class, we define a sample space  $\Omega$ , a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{F}$ , and a (positive) measure  $\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ .

*Exercises.*

- $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots \Rightarrow \mu(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$
- $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \dots, \mu(A_1) < \infty \Rightarrow \mu(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$

**Theorem 1.6** (Rudin 1.10)

Let  $\mathcal{F}_0$  be a collection of subset of  $\Omega$ . Then,  $\exists! \mathcal{F}^*$  minimal  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\mathcal{F}_0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{\mathcal{F}_\alpha, \alpha \in I\}$  be a family of  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\mathcal{F}_0$ . Then,  $\mathcal{F}^* = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} \mathcal{F}_\alpha$  satisfies the three condition: 1) contain  $\mathcal{F}_0$  2)  $\sigma$ -algebra 3) minimal (trivial,  $\mathcal{F}^* \subseteq \mathcal{F}_\alpha$ )  $\square$

**Definition 1.7** (Borel measurable)

$\mathcal{B}$  is a **Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra** on topological space  $(\Theta, \tau)$  if  $\mathcal{B}$  is minimal  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\tau$ , and  $B$  is a **Borel measurable** if  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

*Remark* (Completion of measure space, Rudin 1.15).

Consider an extension  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \rightarrow (\Omega, \overline{\mathcal{F}}, \mu)$  where

1.  $\overline{\mathcal{F}} = \{A \cup N : A \in \mathcal{F}, N \subseteq A_0 \in \mathcal{F}, \mu(A_0) = 0\}$
2.  $\mu(A \cup N) = \mu(A)$

Then, (Check!)

1. (well-definedness)  $A_1 \cup N_1 = A_2 \cup N_2 \Rightarrow \mu(A_1) = \mu(A_2)$
2.  $\mu : \overline{\mathcal{F}}$  is  $\sigma$ -algebra.
3.  $\mu : \overline{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is a measure

*Example.*

- 1)  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\mathcal{F}_0 = \tau \xrightarrow{1.10} \mathcal{B} \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} \overline{\mathcal{B}}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \xrightarrow{\text{Rudin CH 2}} \mathcal{L} \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} \mathcal{L}$$

- 2)  $C[0, T] = \Omega = \{f; f : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{continuous}\}$ .

Define  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\bigcup_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k} (A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k) : 0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k \leq T; A_1, \dots, A_k \in \overline{\mathcal{B}}\}$ . We call  $\{f \in C[0, T] : f(t_1) \in A_1, f(t_2) \in A_2, \dots, f(t_k) \in A_k\}$  as **cylindrical set**. Consider

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{F}_0 & \xrightarrow{1.10} & \mathcal{B} & \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} & \overline{\mathcal{B}} \\ \mathbb{P}_{\text{BM}} & \xrightarrow{\text{KET}} & \mathbb{P}_{\text{BM}} & \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} & \mathbb{P}_{\text{BM}}^* \end{array}$$

(KET refers Kolmogorov's Extension Thm)

## 1.2 Random Variables and Distributions

### Definition 1.8

$f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable if  $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{F}$  for any open set  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

*Remark.*  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  = Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

*Remark.* If  $f$  is measurable, then  $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$  for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $G = \{A \subseteq \mathbb{R} : f^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . Then,  $\tau \subseteq G$ ,  $G$  :  $\sigma$ -algebra (check!), hence  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq G$ .  $\square$

### Definition 1.9

- $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is a **probability space** if  $\mathbb{P}(\Omega) = 1$ .
- $X$  is **random variable** if  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable.

*Example.*

1. Toss a coin Twice.

$\Omega = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = 2^\Omega = \{\text{all subsets of } \Omega\}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{1}{4}|A|$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Then,  $X$  = the number of H's is random variable with  $X(HH) = 2$ ,  $X(HT) = X(TH) = 1$ ,  $X(TT) = 0$ .

2. Uniform random variable in  $[0, 1]$

$\Omega = [0, 1]$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \{B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) : B \subseteq [0, 1]\}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(B) = \mathcal{L}(B)$  ( $\mathbb{P}([0, 1]) = \mathcal{L}([0, 1]) = 1$ ).

Then,  $X : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $X(x) = x$  be a (uniform) random variable in  $[0, 1]$ .

*Remark.*  $\mathcal{L}$ : Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . i.e.,  $\mathcal{L}(a, b) = b - a$ . Then,  $\mathcal{L}(\{a\}) = 0$

( $\because \{a\} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} (a - \frac{1}{i}, a + \frac{1}{i}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\{a\}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}((a - \frac{1}{n}, a + \frac{1}{n})) = 0$ )

Similarly,  $\mathcal{L}([a, b]) = \mathcal{L}([a, b)) = \mathcal{L}((a, b]) = b - a$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{Q}) = \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{L}(\{q\}) = 0$ .

Return to uniform random variable,

$$\mathbb{P}[X \in (a, b)] = \mathbb{P}[\{x : X(x) \in (a, b)\}] = \mathbb{P}[(a, b)] = b - a.$$

### Definition 1.10 (Distribution measure on $X$ )

$X$  is a random variable in  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ .  $\mu_X$  is a **distribution measure on  $X$**  if  $\mu_X$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$  such that

$$\mu_X(B) = \mathbb{P}[X \in B] = \mathbb{P}[\{\omega : X(\omega) \in B\}] = \mathbb{P}[X^{-1}(B)] \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

### Definition 1.11 (Probability density function)

$f$  is a **probability density function** of  $X$  if  $\mu_X((a, b)) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$

*Remark.* There is a measure with no pdf: Dirac measure

*Remark.* Lebesgue-Radon-Nikodym decomposition implies that any measure can be decomposed as density part and non-density part.

*Example* (Standard Normal random variable).

Let  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-x^2/2}$ . Define  $F : (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $F(x) = N^{-1}(x)$  for  $N(X) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(y)dy$ .

Let  $\Omega = (0,1)$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \{B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) : B \subseteq (0,1)\}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(A) = \mathcal{L}(A) : A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

Then,  $Y : \Omega \ni x \mapsto F(x) \in \mathbb{R}$  is a random variable with

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}[Y \in (a,b)] &= \mathbb{P}[\{x : Y(x) \in (a,b)\}] \\ &= \mathbb{P}[\{x \in (N(a), N(b))\}] \\ &= N(b) - N(a) = \int_a^b \phi(x)dx,\end{aligned}$$

and a density function is  $\phi$ .