

# Quantitative methods, Assignment Chapter 9.

Problem 1 (20 points)

compute the differentials of

1. (5 points)  $W^2(t)$

Ito's formula is

$$df(t, x(t)) = f_t(t, x(t))dt + f_x(t, x(t))dx(t) \\ + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(t, x(t)) dx(t) dx(t)$$

Here  $x(t) = W(t)$   $\therefore dx(t) = dW(t)$   
 $f(t, x(t)) = (W(t))^2 = (x(t))^2$

$$f_t(t, x(t)) = 0$$

$$f_x(t, x(t)) = 2x(t) = 2W(t)$$

$$f_{xx}(t, x(t)) = 2$$

Eqn (1) becomes,

$$dW^2(t) = 0 + 2x(t)dx(t) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 dx(t) dx(t)$$

$$\therefore d(W^2(t)) = 2W(t)dW(t) + dW(t)dW(t)$$

but  $dW(t)dW(t) = dt$

(rule of stochastic calculus)

$$\therefore dW^2(t) = 2W(t)dW(t) + dt$$

2. (5 points)  $W^3(t)$

Here, our choice of

$$X(t) = W(t)$$

$$f(t, X(t)) = (X(t))^3 = W^3(t)$$

$$\therefore f_t(t, X(t)) = 0$$

$$f_x(t, X(t)) = 3(X(t))^2 = 3(W(t))^2$$

$$f_{xx}(t, X(t)) = 6X(t) = 6W(t)$$

∴ Using Itô's formula

$$df(t, X(t)) = f_t dt + f_x dX(t) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dX(t) dX(t)$$

$$= 0 + 3(X(t))^2 dX(t) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6X(t) dX(t) dX(t)$$

$$\therefore d(W^3(t)) = 3(W(t))^2 dW(t) + 3W(t) dW(t) dW(t)$$

by t  $dw(t)dw(t) = dt$

$$\therefore d(w^3(t)) = 3(w(t))^2 dw(t) + 3w(t)dt$$

$$\therefore d(w^3(t)) = 3w^2(t)dw(t) + 3w(t)dt$$

(5 points)  $\exp(-rt)w(t)$

our choice is  $x(t) = w(t)$ ;  $dx(t) = dw(t)$

$$f(t, x(t)) = e^{-rt} x(t) = e^{-rt} w(t)$$

$$f_t(t, x(t)) = e^{-rt} x(t) \times -r = -re^{-rt} x(t)$$

$$f_x(t, x(t)) = e^{-rt}$$

$$f_{xx}(t, x(t)) = 0$$

Using Ito's formula,

$$df(t, x(t)) = f_t dt + f_x dx(t) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dx(t) dx(t)$$
$$= -re^{-rt} x(t) + e^{-rt} dx(t) + 0$$

$$\therefore df(t, x(t)) = -re^{-rt} w(t) + e^{-rt} dw(t)$$

$$\therefore d(\exp(-rt)w(t)) = e^{-rt} [-rw(t) + dw(t)]$$

$$4. \text{ (5 points)} \exp \left\{ t^2 - W(t) \right\}$$

$$\rightarrow x(t) = t^2 - W(t)$$

$$\therefore dx(t) = 2t dt - dW(t)$$

$$\therefore f = e^{x(t)}$$

$$\therefore f_t(t, x(t)) = 0$$

$$f_x(t, x(t)) = e^{x(t)}$$

$$f_{xx}(t, x(t)) = e^{x(t)}$$

by ito's formula

$$d \exp \{ t^2 - W(t) \} = f_t dt + f_x dx(t)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dx(t) dx(t)$$

$$\therefore d(\exp \{ t^2 - W(t) \}) = 0 + e^{x(t)} dx(t)$$

$$+ e^{x(t)} dx(t) dx(t) \quad -(1)$$

$$dx(t) dx(t) = (2t dt - dW(t))(2t dt - dW(t))$$

$$= 4t^2 dt dt - 2t dW(t) dt$$

$$- 2t dW(t) dt + dW(t) dW(t)$$

By rules,  
as  $dw(t) dw(t) = dt$

$$\text{Also, } dw(t) dt = 0 \quad \text{and } dt \cdot dt = 0$$

$$dx(t) dx(t) = 0 - 0 - 0 + dw(t) dw(t)$$

$$\therefore dx(t) dx(t) = dt$$

putting in eq<sup>n</sup> (1)

$$d(\exp\{t^2 - w(t)\}) = e^{x(t)} (2t dt - dw(t)) \\ + \frac{1}{2} e^{x(t)} \cdot dt$$

$$d(\exp\{t^2 - w(t)\}) = 2t e^{x(t)} dt - e^{x(t)} dw(t) \\ + \frac{1}{2} e^{x(t)} \cdot dt$$

$$\therefore d(\exp\{t^2 - w(t)\}) = 2t \exp\{t^2 - w(t)\} dt \\ - \exp\{t^2 - w(t)\} dw(t)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \exp\{t^2 - w(t)\} dt$$

$$\therefore d(\exp\{t^2 - w(t)\}) = (2t + \frac{1}{2}) \exp\{t^2 - w(t)\} dt \\ - \exp\{t^2 - w(t)\} dw(t)$$

$$d\{\exp\{t^2 w(t)\}\} = \exp\{t^2 w(t)\} \times$$
$$\left( (2t + \frac{1}{2})dt - dw(t) \right)$$

$$dt = \text{constant}$$

$$dw = \text{constant}$$

constant

$$dt = \text{constant} \Rightarrow dt = (2t + \frac{1}{2})dw$$

$$dt = \frac{1}{2}(2t + \frac{1}{2})dw$$

$$dt =$$

$$dt = \frac{1}{2}(2t + \frac{1}{2})dw \Rightarrow dt = (t + \frac{1}{4})dw$$

$$dt = (t + \frac{1}{4})dw \Rightarrow \int dt = \int (t + \frac{1}{4})dw$$

$$\int dt = \int (t + \frac{1}{4})dw \Rightarrow t + \frac{1}{4}w = \text{constant}$$

$$t + \frac{1}{4}w = \text{constant} \Rightarrow t = \text{constant} - \frac{1}{4}w$$

$$t = \text{constant} - \frac{1}{4}w \Rightarrow t = \text{constant} - \frac{1}{4}dw$$

Problem 2 (16 points)

1. (5 points) Compute the differential of  $w^4(t)$ , where  $w$  is a standard brownian motion.

$$x(t) = w(t)$$

$$f(t, x(t)) = (x(t))^4$$

$$\therefore f_t(t, x(t)) = 0$$

$$f_x(t, x(t)) = 4(x(t))^3$$

$$f_{xx}(t, x(t)) = 12(x(t))^2$$

Using Ito's formula

$$df(t, x(t)) = f_t dt + f_x dx(t) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dx(t) dx(t)$$

$$\therefore d w^4(t) = 0 + 4(x(t))^3 dx(t) + 6(x(t))^2 dx(t) dx(t)$$

$$d w^4(t) = 4(w(t))^3 dw(t) + 6(w(t))^2 dw(t) dw(t)$$

$$\therefore dw(t) = (\text{brown})^3 t + 6(\text{brown})^2 t dt$$

$$\therefore dw^4(t) = 4(w(t))^3 dw(t)$$

$$+ 6(w(t))^2 dt$$

2. Integrate the above formula on  $[0, T]$

→ Integrating the eq<sup>n</sup>,

$$w^4(T) = w^4(0) + \int_0^T 4w^3(s)dw(s)$$
$$+ \int_0^T 6w^2(s)ds$$

$$\therefore w^4(T) = 0 + 4 \int_0^T w^3(s)dw(s) + 6 \int_0^T w^2(s)ds$$

$$\therefore w^4(T) = 4 \int_0^T w^3(s)dw(s) + 6 \int_0^T w^2(s)ds$$

3. (6 points) Take the expectation of the left and right hand sides and deduce  $E[W^4(T)]$ .

$$\therefore E[W^4(T)] = 4 E \left[ \int_0^T W^3(s) dW(s) \right] + 6 E \left[ \int_0^T W^2(s) ds \right] - (1)$$

$$I(t) = \int_t^T W^3(s) dW(s) = \int_0^T W^3(u) dw(u)$$

$$\text{if } I(t) = \int_0^t \sigma(u) dw(u)$$

in our case

$$\sigma(u) = W^3(u)$$

$$\text{As } I(0) = \int_0^0 W^3(s) dW(s) = 0$$

$I(t)$  is an Ito integral  
&  $I(t)$  is a martingale with respect to  
brownian motion (Given in class notes)

$$\therefore E[I(t)] = E \left[ \int_0^T W^3(s) dW(s) \right] = I(0)$$

$$\therefore E \left[ \int_0^T W^3(s) dW(s) \right] = 0 - (2)$$

$$i) E \left[ \int_0^T w^2(s) ds \right] = ?$$

let  $f = t w^2(t)$

choose  $x(t) = w(t)$ ,  $dx(t) = dw(t)$

$$\therefore f = t(x(t))^2$$

$$\therefore f_t = (x(t))^2 = (w(t))^2$$

$$f_{xx} = 2t x(t) = 2t w(t)$$

$$f_{xxx} = 2$$

by Ito's formula,

$$df = f_t dt + f_{xx} dx + \frac{1}{2} f_{xxx} dx dw$$

$$\therefore d[t w^2(t)] = (w(t))^2 dt + 2t w(t) dw(t) + \frac{1}{2} (2t) dw(t) dw(t)$$

$$d[t w^2(t)] = w^2(t) dt + 2t w(t) dw(t) + t dt$$

Integrating both sides from 0 to T

$$T w^2(T) - 0 = \int_0^T w^2(s) ds + \int_0^T (2s w(s) dw(s)) + \left[ \frac{t^2}{2} - 0 \right]^T_0$$

Taking expectation to both sides,

$$\begin{aligned} E[T w^2(T)] &= E\left[\int_0^T w^2(s) ds\right] \\ &\quad + 2 E\left[\int_0^T s w(s) dw(s)\right] + \frac{T^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

As  $\int_0^T (s w(s)) dw(s)$  is an Ito integral

its expectation is 0.

$$\therefore T E[w^2(T)] = E\left[\int_0^T w^2(s) ds\right] + 2 \times 0 + \frac{T^2}{2}$$

As  $w$  is a brownian motion

$$E[w^2(T)] = T - 0 = T$$

$$\therefore T E[w^2(T)] = E\left[\int_0^T w^2(s) ds\right] + \frac{T^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore E\left[\int_0^T w^2(s) ds\right] = \frac{T^2}{2} \quad \rightarrow (3)$$

As

$$E[w^4(T)] = 4 E \left[ \int_0^T w^3(s) dw(s) \right] + 6 E \left[ \int_0^T w^2(s) ds \right]$$

from eq<sup>n</sup> 2 & 3 . substituting

$$E[w^4(T)] = 4 \times 0 + 6 \times \frac{T^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore E[w^4(T)] = 3T^2$$

Problem 3 (17 points)

We consider the following mean-reverting model for the spread  $S(t)$  of two co-integrated stocks :

$$dS(t) = -\lambda S(t) dt + \sigma dw(t), \quad S(0) = s > 0,$$

where  $\lambda > 0, \sigma > 0$

1 (5 points) Show by using Ito-dublin formula that

$$S(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \left( s + \sigma \int_0^t e^{\lambda u} dw(u) \right),$$

is the solution of above differential equation.

$$\rightarrow s(t) = \bar{e}^{\lambda t} \left( s + \sigma \int_0^t e^{\lambda u} dw(u) \right)$$

$$\text{choose } x(t) = \sigma \int_0^t e^{\lambda u} dw(u)$$

$$f(t, x(t)) = \bar{e}^{-\lambda t} (s + x)$$

$$f_t = -\lambda \bar{e}^{-\lambda t} (s + x)$$

$$f_x = \bar{e}^{-\lambda t}$$

$$f_{xx} = 0$$

$$\therefore dx(t) = \sigma e^{\lambda t} dw(t)$$

$$\therefore dx(t) dx(t) = \sigma^2 e^{2\lambda t} dw(t) dw(t) \\ = \sigma^2 e^{2\lambda t} dt$$

By Ito - dublin formula,

$$ds(t) = df(t, x(t)) = f_t dt + f_x dx(t)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dx(t) dx(t)$$

$$= -\lambda \bar{e}^{-\lambda t} (s + x) dt + \bar{e}^{-\lambda t} \cdot \sigma e^{\lambda t} dw(t) + 0$$

$$= -\lambda \bar{e}^{-\lambda t} (s + \sigma \int_0^t e^{\lambda u} dw(u)) + \sigma dw(t)$$

$$ds(t) = -\lambda s(t) dt + \sigma dw(t)$$

we started with given  $s(t)$  & reached the required differential equation.

Hence we have proved that  $s(t)$  is the solution to the given differential equation.

2. (6 points) Give the distribution of  $s(t)$  and specify its mean and variance.

As  $s(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \left( s_0 + \int_0^t e^{\lambda u} du \right)$

$\underbrace{\int_0^t e^{\lambda u} du}_{\text{ito integral}}$

Here the integrand of ito integral is deterministic, Hence by the theorem from class notes

The ito integral has mean 0 and

$$\text{Variance} = \int_0^t e^{2\lambda u} du = 2\lambda (e^{2\lambda t} - 1)$$

Hence  $s(t)$  is also normally distributed with

$$\text{Mean} = s_0 e^{-\lambda t} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\text{Variance} = e^{-2\lambda t} \cdot \sigma^2 \cdot 2\lambda (e^{2\lambda t} - 1)$$

$$\therefore \text{Variance of } S(t) = 2\sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{2\sigma t}}\right)$$

3. (4 points) Give  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} E[S(t)]$ , and

interpret the result in plain english  
(1 sentence).

$$\rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} E[S(t)] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s}{e^{\sigma t}} = 0$$

This means the spread  $S(t)$  <sup>of two cointegrated assets</sup> reverts back to long term mean ( $t \rightarrow \infty$ ) of zero.

4. (2 points) Does the variance  $S(t)$  increase or decrease over time?

$$\rightarrow \text{The variance} = 2\sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{e^{2\sigma t}}\right)$$

At time increases  $e^{2\sigma t}$  increases consequently  $\frac{1}{e^{2\sigma t}}$  decreases, which

implies  $1 - \frac{1}{e^{2\sigma t}}$  increases

which <sup>mean</sup> says that variance increases with time (as  $2\sigma^2$  remains the same, with time its coefficient increases)

Question 4 (23 points) Let  $w(t)$  be a brownian motion, and define

$$B(t) = \int_0^t \text{Sign}(w(s)) dw(s)$$

where

$$\text{Sign}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

1. (5 points) Show that  $B(t)$  is a Brownian Motion.



To show that  $B(t)$  is a brownian motion it needs to satisfy the following properties.

- ① Initial condition

$$B(0) = \int_0^0 \text{Sign}(w(s)) dw(s) = 0$$

This is trivially true since the integral from 0 to 0 is zero.

- ② Independent increments:

The increments of  $B(t)$  are dependent on the increments of  $w(t)$ , which is a brownian motion with independent increments.

Since  $\text{sign}(w(s))$  only depends on the current value of  $w(s)$  and not on past values of  $w(s)$ . Hence, increments of  $B(t)$  are independent.

### ③ Stationary increments

The increments of  $B(t)$  depend on the increments of  $w(t)$  which are stationary. Since the sign function does not introduce any time dependency other than through  $w(t)$ , the increments of  $B(t)$  are also stationary.

### ④ Normally distributed increments

The increments of  $\text{inf}(t)$  are normally distributed (as  $w$  is brownian motion). The sign function being deterministic does not affect the normality of the increments, but affects the variance. Hence the increments of  $B(t)$  are also normally distributed.

### ⑤ Continuity

$B(t)$  is continuous since it is an integral of a continuous function times a continuous process  $dw(s)$ .

Since  $B(t)$  satisfies all the properties of a Brownian motion, it itself is a brownian motion.

2. (5 points) Use Itô's product rule to compute  $d[B(t) W(t)]$ . Integrate both sides of the resulting eq<sup>n</sup>, take expectations and deduce that  $E[B(t) W(t)] = 0$

Using Itô rule & product rule of stochastic calculus,

$$d[B(t) W(t)] = B(t) dW(t) + W(t) dB(t) + dB(t) dW(t)$$

Given

$$B(t) = \int_0^t \text{Sign}(w(s)) dw(s)$$

$$\therefore dB(t) = \text{Sign}(w(t)) dw(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow d[B(t) W(t)] = B(t) dw(t) + w(t) \frac{\text{sign}(w(t))}{dw(t)} dw(t) + \text{sign}(w(t)) dw(t) dw(t)$$

$$\text{as } dw(t) dw(t) = dt$$

$$\therefore d[B(t) W(t)] = B(t) dw(t) + w(t) \text{sign}(w(t)) dw(t) + \text{sign}(w(t)) dt$$

Integrating both sides from 0 to t.

$$\int_0^t d(B(s)W(s)) = \int_0^t B(s)dW(s) + \int_0^t W(s)\text{sign}(w(s))dw(s) \\ + \int_0^t \text{sign}(w(s))ds$$

Taking expectation of both sides

$$E \left[ \int_0^t d(B(s)W(s)) \right] = E \left[ \int_0^t B(s)dW(s) \right] \\ + E \left[ \int_0^t W(s)\text{sign}(w(s))dw(s) \right] \\ + E \left[ \int_0^t \text{sign}(w(s))ds \right]$$

first 2 expectations are expectations of  
an ito integral.

$$\therefore E \left[ \int_0^t d(B(s)W(s)) \right] = E \left[ \int_0^t \text{sign}(w(s))ds \right]$$

Since  $W(s)$  is symmetric around zero,  
 $\text{sign}(w(s))$  will take  $+1$  &  $-1$  value  
with equal probability

$$\therefore E[\text{sign}(w(s))] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[ \int_0^t d(B(s)W(s)) \right] &= \int_0^t E[\text{sign}(w(s))] ds \\ &= \int_0^t 0 \cdot ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E[B(t)W(t)] = 0$$

3. (3 points) Verify that.

$$dW^2(t) = 2W(t)dW(t) + dt$$

$$\text{choose } x(t) = W(t) \quad \therefore dx(t) = dW(t)$$

$$f(t, x(t)) = (W(t))^2 = 2(x(t))^2$$

$$\text{i)} f_x = 2x(t) = 2W(t)$$

$$\text{ii)} f_{xx} = 2$$

$$\text{iii)} f_t = 0$$

by Itô's lemma,

$$df(t, x(t)) = f_t dt + f_x dx(t) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx} dx(t)dx(t)$$

$$\therefore dW^2(t) = 0 + 2W(t) \cdot dW(t) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot dW(t) \cdot dW(t)$$

$$\therefore dW^2(t) = 2w(t)dw(t) + 1 \cdot dw(t)dw(t)$$

by  $dw(t)dw(t) = dt$  [rule of stoch. calc.]

$$\therefore dW^2(t) = 2w(t)dw(t) + dt$$

4. (5 points) Use ito product's rule to compute  $d[B(t)W^2(t)]$ . deduce that

$E[B(t)W^2(t)]$  is not equal to  $E[B(t)]E[W^2(t)]$ .

→ Applying the product rule

$$d(B(t)W^2(t)) = B(t)dW^2(t) + W^2(t)dB(t) + dB(t)dW^2(t) \quad -(1)$$

We know,  $dB(t) = \text{sign}(w(t))dw(t)$

and  $dW^2(t) = 2w(t)dw(t) + dt$  [From prev questions]

Since  $(dw(t))^2 = dt$ , we can simplify

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow d(B(t)W^2(t)) &= 2w(t)B(t)dw(t) + B(t) \\ &\quad w^2(t)\text{sign}(w(t))dw(t) \\ &\quad + -\text{sign}(w(t)) \end{aligned}$$

$$i) B(t) dw^2(t) = 2 w(t) B(t) dw(t) + B(t) dt$$

$$ii) w^2(t) dB(t) = w^2(t) \operatorname{sign}(w(t)) dw(t)$$

$$iii) dB(t) dw^2(t) = (\operatorname{sign}(w(t)) dw(t)) \\ - (2w(t) dw(t) + dt)$$

$$\text{as } dw(t) dt = 0 \quad \& \quad dw(t) dw(t) = dt.$$

$$\therefore dB(t) dw^2(t) = 2 w(t) \operatorname{sign}(w(t)) dt$$

$\therefore$  eq<sup>n</sup>(i) becomes -

$$d(B(t) w^2(t)) = 2 B(t) w(t) dw(t) + B(t) dt \\ + w^2(t) \operatorname{sign}(w(t)) dw(t) \\ + 2 w(t) \operatorname{sign}(w(t)) dt$$

integrating both sides from 0 to t -

$$B(t) w^2(t) = 2 \int_0^t B(s) w(s) dw(s) \\ + \int_0^t B(s) dt + \int_0^t w^2(s) \operatorname{sign}(w(s)) dw(s) \\ + 2 \int_0^t w(s) \operatorname{sign}(w(s)) ds$$

taking expectation on both sides

$$\begin{aligned} E[B(t)W^2(t)] &= 2E\left[\int_0^t B(s)W(s)dw(s)\right] \\ &\quad + E\left[\int_0^t B(s)ds\right] \quad \text{(ito integral)} \\ &\quad + E\left[\int_0^t w^2(s)\text{sign}(w(s))dw(s)\right] \\ &\quad + 2E\left[\int_0^t w(s)\text{sign}(w(s))ds\right] \end{aligned}$$

As expectation of ito integral = 0

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E[B(t)W^2(t)] &= 2 \times 0 + \int_0^t E[B(s)]ds \\ &\quad + 0 + 2 \int_0^t E[w(s)\text{sign}(w(s))]ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E[B(t)W^2(t)] = \int_0^t 0 ds + 2 \int_0^t E[w(s)\text{sign}(w(s))]ds$$

as  ~~$w(s)$~~   $w(s)\text{sign}(w(s))$  will always be positive  
so its expectation will not be zero

$$\therefore E[B(t) W^2(t)] = 2 \int_0^t E[W(s) \text{sign}(W(s))] ds$$

$$\text{as } E[B(t)] E[W^2(t)] = 0 \times t = 0$$

$$\text{but } E[B(t) W^2(t)] \neq 0$$

$$\therefore E[B(t) W^2(t)] \neq E[B(t)] E[W^2(t)]$$

5. (5 points) Conclude :

→ From the above calculation we can conclude that  $B(t)$  and  $W^2(t)$  are not independent. This is intuitively true as the source of randomness standard in  $B(t)$  is the brownian motion  $W(t)$  which is also the source of randomness in  $W^2(t)$ .

Problem 5 (24 points)

In the Hull-White interest rate model, the interest rate is given by the stochastic differential equation

$$dR(t) = (a(t) - b(t)R(t))dt + \sigma(t)d\tilde{W}(t),$$

(where  $a(t)$ ,  $b(t)$ ,  $\sigma(t)$  are nonrandom positive functions and  $\tilde{W}$  is a standard Brownian motion under a risk-neutral probability measure. Assume that the initial condition is given at time  $t$  by  $R(t) = r$ . The goal of this exercise is to solve this equation explicitly.

1. (5 points) first of all, compute, by using

Ito-Doeblin formula,

$$d(e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} R(u)).$$

$$\text{let } x(u) = R(u)$$

$$\therefore dx(u) = dR(u)$$

choose

$$f(u, x(u)) = e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \cdot x(u)$$

$$f_u = e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} u b(u) \cdot x(u)$$

$$= b(u) e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \cdot R(u)$$

$$f_x = e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} \cdot R(u)$$

$$f_{xx} = 0$$

Using Itô's formula.

$$\begin{aligned} d(e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} \cdot R(u)) &= f_u du + f_x dx(u) \\ &\quad + f_{xx} dx(u) dx(u) \\ &= b(u) e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} \cdot R(u) du \\ &\quad + e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} \cdot dR(u) \\ &= e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} [b(u)R(u) du + dR(u)] - (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{as } b(u)R(u)du + dR(u) = b(u)R(u)du + (a(u) - b(u)R(u)) du + \sigma(u)d\tilde{W}(u)$$

$$\therefore b(u)R(u)du + dR(u) = a(u)du + \sigma(u)d\tilde{W}(u)$$

putting in eqn (1)

$$d(e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} \cdot R(u)) = e^{\int_0^u b(v) dv} [a(u)du + \sigma(u)d\tilde{W}(u)]$$

2. (5 points) Integrate both sides of the formula found above from  $t$  to  $T$  and use the initial condition  $R(t) = r$  to find the formula.

$$e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} R(T) = r e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} + \int_{\int_0^T b(v)dv}^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} a(u)du \\ + \int_t^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \sigma(u) d\tilde{W}(u).$$

→ integrating the prev eq<sup>n</sup> from  $t$  to  $T$

$$\int_t^T d(e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} R(u)) = \int_t^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} [a(u)du \\ + \sigma(u) d\tilde{W}(u)]$$

$$\therefore e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} R(T) = e^{\int_0^t b(v)dv} \cdot R(t) + \int_{\int_0^t b(v)dv}^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} a(u)du \\ + \int_t^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \sigma(u) d\tilde{W}(u).$$

putting  $R(t) = r$

$$\therefore e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} \cdot R(T) = r e^{\int_0^t b(v)dv} + \int_{\int_0^t b(v)dv}^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} a(u)du \\ + \int_t^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \sigma(u) d\tilde{W}(u)$$

Hence proved.

3. (5 points) Solve the above formula for  $R(T)$ . This yields an explicit formula for  $R(T)$

• dividing the both sides by  $e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv}$

which is a constant.

$$\therefore R(T) = r e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} - \int_0^T b(v)dv + \int_0^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \cdot a(u)du$$

$$+ \int_t^T e^{\int_0^T b(v)dv} \cdot \tilde{e}(u)d\tilde{w}(u)$$

$$\therefore R(T) = r e^{-\int_T^0 b(v)dv} + \int_t^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \cdot \tilde{e}(u)d\tilde{w}(u)$$

$$+ \int_0^T e^{\int_0^u b(v)dv} \cdot \tilde{e}(u)d\tilde{w}(u)$$

$$R(T) = r e^{-\int_T^0 b(v)dv} + \int_t^T e^{-\int_u^T b(v)dv} \cdot a(u)du + \int_t^T e^{\int_u^T b(v)dv} \cdot \tilde{e}(u)d\tilde{w}(u)$$

4. (4 points) Give the distribution of  $R(T)$

→ As  $R(T) = \text{some deterministic term}$

+ ito integral with deterministic process

& ito integral which has deterministic integrand is normally distributed

Hence  $R(T)$  is also normally distributed.

5. (5 points) Give also its mean and variance.

→ As mean of ito integral is 0.

mean of  $R(T) = \text{deterministic term}$ .

$$\therefore \text{Mean}(R(T)) = r e^{-\int_t^T b(v) dv}$$

$$+ \int_t^T e^{\int_0^v b(u) du} \cdot a(u) du$$

$$\text{Similarly} \quad = r e^{-\int_t^T b(v) dv} + \int_t^T e^{\int_u^T b(w) dw} \cdot a(u) du$$

Variance of  $(R(T)) = \text{Variance of ito integral}$

$$= \int_t^T e^{-2 \int_u^T b(v) dv} \sigma^2(u) du$$