

MATH180C: Introduction to Stochastic Processes II

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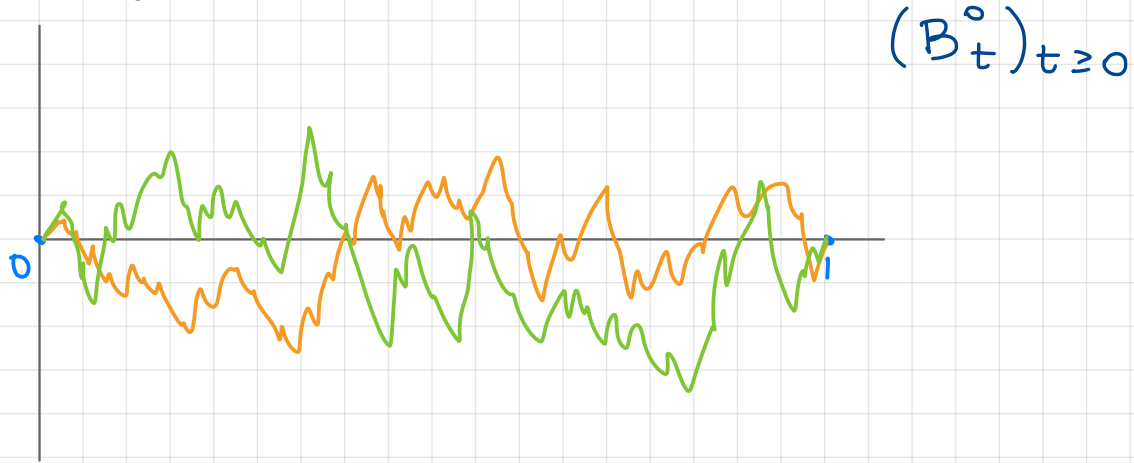
Today: Processes generated by BM
> Q&A: December 7,9
Next: Review

This week:

- Homework 8 (due THURSDAY, December 10)
- Homework 9 (do not submit, practice problems)
- Quiz 5 on Wednesday, December 9 (lectures 18-20)

Brownian bridge

Brownian bridge is constructed from a BM by conditioning on the event $\{B(0)=0, B(1)=0\}$.



Thm 1. Brownian bridge is a continuous Gaussian process on $[0,1]$ with mean 0 and covariance function

$$\Gamma(s,t) = \min\{s,t\} - st$$

Conditioned multivariate normal distribution

Lemma Let (X, Y) be a random vector with multivariate normal distribution $N(0, \Sigma)$ with $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xy} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then
$$f_{X|Y}(x|0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2}}$$

i.e., given $Y=0$, X is Gaussian with mean 0 and variance $\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2$

Proof. By definition of the joint normal distribution,

$$f_{X,Y}(x,0) = \frac{1}{2\pi (\det \Sigma)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (x,0) \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

$$\text{Then } f_{X|Y}(x|0) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,0)}{f_Y(0)} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2\pi (\det \Sigma)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (x,0) \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

$$\text{Now } (x,0) \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = x \cdot \frac{1}{\det \Sigma}, \quad \det \Sigma = \sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2, \quad \text{therefore}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{\sigma_x^2 - \sigma_{xy}^2}} \quad \blacksquare$$

Proof of Theorem 1 (1)

Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a standard BM. Denote by $(B_t^\circ)_{t \in [0,1]}$ the part of B on $[0,1]$ conditioned on the event $B_1 = 0$.

1) B° is continuous on $[0,1]$

2) In order to show that B° is Gaussian, we need to show that $\forall \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n \leq 1$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i}^\circ \text{ is Gaussian}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{given } B_1 = 0, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i} \text{ is Gaussian}$$

$$B \text{ is Gaussian} \Rightarrow \forall \beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R} \quad \beta_1 B_1 + \beta_2 \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i} \text{ is Gaussian}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i}, B_1 \right) \text{ are jointly normal}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma}}{\Rightarrow} \text{given } B_1 = 0, \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i} \text{ is Gaussian}$$

Proof of Theorem 1 (2)

3) From Lemma we also know that $E(B_t^0) = 0$.

To compute the covariance function, note that for $0 < s < t < 1$

$$f_{B_s, B_t, B_1}(x, y, 0) = (2\pi)^{-3/2} (\det \Sigma)^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (x, y, 0) \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right),$$

where $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} s & s & s \\ s & t & t \\ s & t & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Also note that $f_{B_1}(0) = (2\pi)^{-1/2}$

If $\Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} T & x \\ x & x \end{pmatrix}$, then $(x, y, 0) \Sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = (x, y) T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$

Now, $\det \Sigma = s(t-s)(1-t)$ and $T = \frac{1}{s(t-s)(1-t)} \begin{pmatrix} t(1-t) & -s(1-t) \\ -s(1-t) & s(1-s) \end{pmatrix}$

$\det T = \frac{1}{s(t-s)(1-t)}$ and $T^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} s(1-s) & s(1-t) \\ s(1-t) & t(1-t) \end{pmatrix} =: \tilde{\Sigma}$

Finally, $\frac{f_{B_s, B_t, B_1}(x, y, 0)}{f_{B_1}(0)} = (2\pi)^{-1} (\det \tilde{\Sigma})^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (x, y) \tilde{\Sigma}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}} \stackrel{\min\{s, t\} - st}{s - st} \Rightarrow \text{Cov}(B_s^0, B_t^0) = s(1-t)$

Brownian bridge. Remark

Remark. Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a BM. Then the process

$$(X_t)_{t \in [0,1]}, \quad X_t = B_t - tB_1, \quad \text{for } t \in [0,1]$$

is a Brownian bridge.

Indeed: 1) $(X_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ is continuous, $X_0 = 0$

2) $(X_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$ is Gaussian: $\forall \alpha_i, 0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq 1$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i X_{t_i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (B_{t_i} - t_i B_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i B_{t_i} - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i t_i \right) B_1$$

which is Gaussian since $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a Gaussian process

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \quad \text{Cov}(X_s, X_t) &= \text{Cov}(B_s - sB_1, B_t - tB_1) = \min\{s, t\} - st - st + st \\ &= \min\{s, t\} - st \end{aligned}$$

Brownian motion with drift

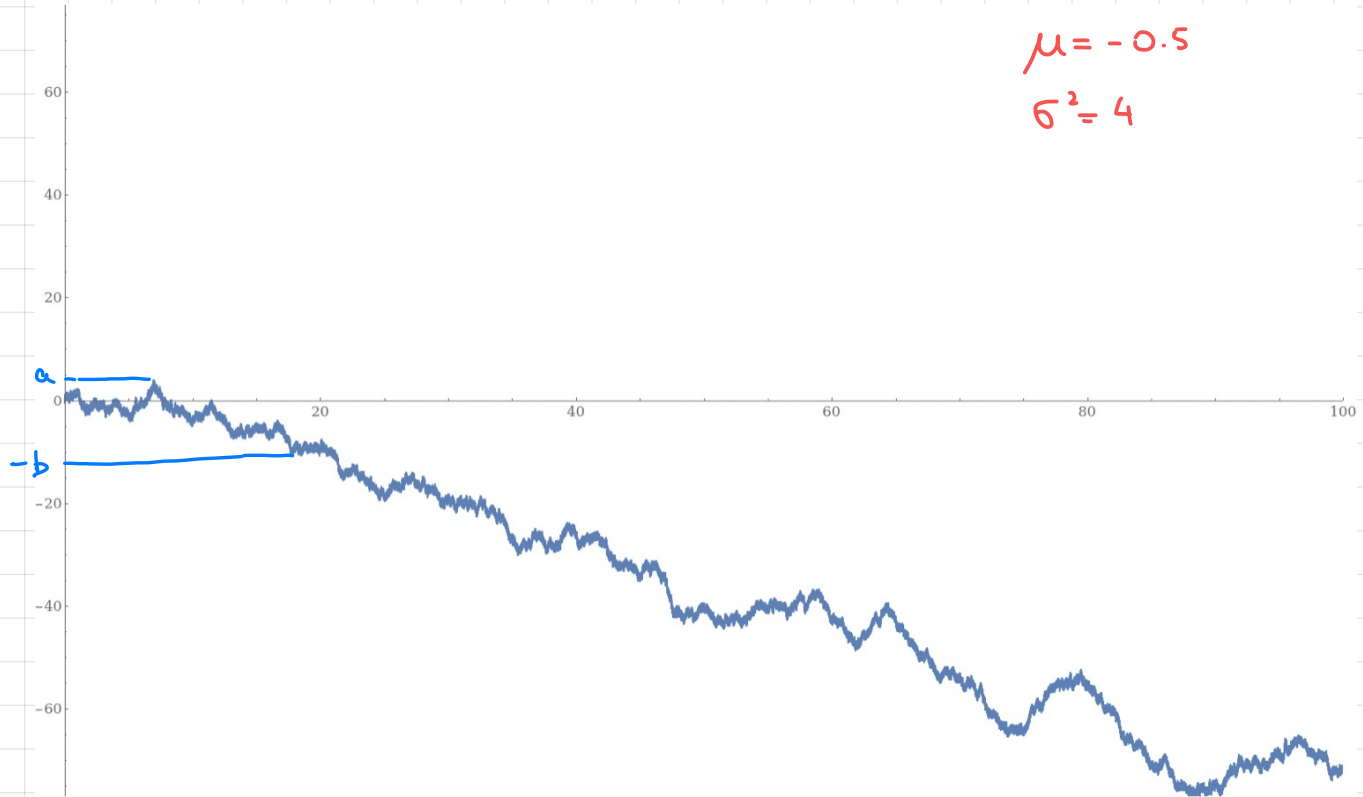
Def Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a standard BM. Then for $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma > 0$ the process $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ with $X_t = \mu t + \sigma B_t$, $t \geq 0$ is called the Brownian motion with drift μ and variance parameter σ^2 .

Remark BM with drift μ and variance parameter σ is a stochastic process $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ satisfying

- 1) $X_0 = 0$, $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ has continuous sample paths
- 2) $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ has independent increments
- 3) For $t > s$ $X_t - X_s \sim N(\mu(t-s), \sigma^2(t-s))$

In particular, $X_t \sim N(\mu t, \sigma^2 t) \Rightarrow X_t$ is not centered, not symmetric w.r.t. the origin

Brownian motion with drift



Gambler's ruin problem for BM with drift

Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a BM with drift $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and variance parameter $\sigma^2 > 0$. Fix $a < x < b$ and denote

$$T = T_{ab} = \min \{t \geq 0 : X_t = a \text{ or } X_t = b\}, \text{ and}$$

$$u(x) = P(X_T = b \mid X_0 = x).$$

Theorem.

$$(i) \quad u(x) = \frac{\exp(-2\mu x/\sigma^2) - \exp(-2\mu a/\sigma^2)}{\exp(-2\mu b/\sigma^2) - \exp(-2\mu a/\sigma^2)}$$

$$(ii) \quad E(T_{ab} \mid X_0 = x) = \frac{1}{\mu} (u(x)(b-a) - (x-a))$$

No proof

$$\left(u(x) = \frac{b-x}{b-a} \right)$$

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Example

Fluctuations of the price of a certain share is modeled by the BM with drift $\mu = 1\%$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 4$. You buy a share at 100\$ and plan to sell it if its price increases to 110\$ or drops to 95\$.

- (a) What is the probability that you will sell at profit?
(b) What is the expected time until you sell the share?

Denote by $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ a BM with drift $\frac{1}{10}$ and variance 4,

$x = 100$, $b = 110$, $a = 95$. Then $2\mu/\sigma^2 = \frac{2 \cdot 0.1}{4} = \frac{1}{20}$ and

$$(a) \quad P(X_T = 110 \mid X_0 = 100) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{20} \cdot 100} - e^{-\frac{1}{20} \cdot 95}}{e^{-\frac{1}{20} \cdot 110} - e^{-\frac{1}{20} \cdot 95}} \approx 0.419$$

$$(b) \quad E(T \mid X_0 = 100) = \frac{1}{0.1} \left(0.419 (110 - 95) - (100 - 95) \right) \approx 12.88$$

Maximum of a BM with negative drift

Thm Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a BM with drift $\mu < 0$, variance σ^2 and $X_0 = 0$. Denote $M = \max_{t \geq 0} X_t$. Then

$$M \sim \text{Exp}(-2\mu/\sigma^2)$$

Proof. $X_0 = 0$, therefore $M \geq 0$. For any $b > 0$

$$P(M > b) = P\left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \{X \text{ hits } b \text{ before } -n\}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X \text{ hits } b \text{ before } -n)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - e^{2n\mu/\sigma^2}}{e^{-2b\mu/\sigma^2} - e^{2n\mu/\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{e^{-2b\mu/\sigma^2}} = e^{-2b\mu/\sigma^2}$$

$$P(M > b) = e^{(-2\mu/\sigma^2)b} \Rightarrow M \sim \text{Exp}(-2\mu/\sigma^2)$$



Geometric BM

Def. Stochastic process $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is called a geometric Brownian motion with drift parameter α and variance σ^2 if $X_t = \log Z_t$ is a BM with drift $\mu = \alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ and variance σ^2 .

In other words, $Z_t = z e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma B_t}$, where $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a standard BM and $z > 0$ is the starting point $Z_0 = z$.

If $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$, then $\frac{Z_{t_i}}{Z_{t_{i-1}}} = e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)(t_i - t_{i-1}) + \sigma(B_{t_i} - B_{t_{i-1}})}$

Since B has independent increments

$\frac{Z_{t_1}}{Z_{t_0}}, \frac{Z_{t_2}}{Z_{t_1}}, \dots, \frac{Z_{t_n}}{Z_{t_{n-1}}}$ are independent and

$\frac{Z_{t_n}}{Z_{t_0}} = \frac{Z_{t_1}}{Z_{t_0}} \cdot \frac{Z_{t_2}}{Z_{t_1}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{Z_{t_n}}{Z_{t_{n-1}}}$ ← "relative change of price = product of independent relative changes"

Expectation of Geometric BM

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ .

Then

$$E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = E\left(z e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma B_t}\right) = z e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t} E(e^{\sigma B_t})$$

$$E(e^{\sigma B_t}) = e^{\frac{t\sigma^2}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t} e^{\frac{t\sigma^2}{2}} = z e^{\alpha t}$$

Remark

It can be shown that for $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ $Z_t \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

At the same time, for $\alpha > 0$ $E(Z_t) \rightarrow \infty$.

Variance of geometric BM

$$\begin{aligned} E(Z_t^2 | Z_0 = z) &= E(z^2 e^{2X_t}) = E(z^2 e^{(2\alpha - \sigma^2)t} e^{2\sigma B_t}) \\ &= z^2 e^{(2\alpha - \sigma^2)t} e^{2\sigma^2 t} = z^2 e^{2\alpha t + \sigma^2 t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z^2 e^{2\alpha t + \sigma^2 t} - z^2 e^{2\alpha t} = z^2 e^{2\alpha t} (e^{\sigma^2 t} - 1)$$

Theorem

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ^2 .

Then

$$(i) \quad E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z e^{\alpha t}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Var}(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z^2 e^{2\alpha t} (e^{\sigma^2 t} - 1)$$

Gambler's ruin for geometric BM

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ^2 .

Let $A < 1 < B$, and denote $T = \min\{t : \frac{Z_t}{Z_0} = A \text{ or } \frac{Z_t}{Z_0} = B\}$.

Theorem

$$P\left(\frac{Z_T}{Z_0} = B\right) = \frac{1 - A^{1 - 2\alpha/\sigma^2}}{B^{1 - 2\alpha/\sigma^2} - A^{1 - 2\alpha/\sigma^2}}$$

Example Fluctuations of the price are modeled by a geometric BM with drift $\alpha = 0.1$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 4$. You buy a share at 100\$ and plan to sell it if its price increases to 110\$ or drops to 95\$.

Take $A = 0.95$, $B = 1.1$, $2\alpha/\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{20}$, $1 - 2\alpha/\sigma^2 = \frac{19}{20} = 0.95$

$$P(X_T = 110 | X_0 = 100) = \frac{1 - 0.95^{0.95}}{1.1^{0.95} - 0.95^{0.95}} \approx 0.334$$

Black-Scholes option pricing formula

Call option gives the buyer the right (not obligation) to buy a block of shares at a specific price ^{← striking price} at any time during a certain period. How much should you pay for it?

Example: For the premium of 6\$ the call allows you to buy 60\$ of shares during the period of one month. If at some point during this period the actual price of the shares becomes $x > 66$ \$, you can buy the shares using the call option, then immediately sell it gaining $(x - 66)$ \$. Or you may opt not to buy the shares at all \rightarrow lose 6\$.

Let z be the current value of the share and τ be the length of the time period. Denote $F(z, \tau)$ the value of the call.

Black-Scholes option pricing formula

Then $F(z, \tau) = e^{-r\tau} E((Z_\tau - a)^+ | Z_0 = z)$ [BS], where

- a is the striking price
- r is the return rate for riskless investments
- $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a geometric BM with parameters r and σ^2
- σ^2 is the volatility (variance parameter) of the share price

Computing the conditional expectation gives

$$F(z, \tau) = z \Phi\left(\frac{\log \frac{z}{a} + (r + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\tau}{\sigma\sqrt{\tau}}\right) - a e^{-r\tau} \Phi\left(\frac{\log \frac{z}{a} + (r - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\tau}{\sigma\sqrt{\tau}}\right)$$

↑
Black-Scholes formula