

Stochastic analysis, spring 2013, Exercises-8, 21.03.2013

1. Let $\tau(\omega) \in [0, +\infty]$ be a random time, $F(t) = P(\tau \leq t)$ for $t \in [0, \infty)$.

Consider the single jump *counting process* $\mathbf{1}(\tau(\omega) \leq t)$ which generates the filtration $\mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)$ with $\mathcal{F}_t^N = \sigma(N_s : s \leq t)$.

- (a) Show that τ is a stopping time in the filtration \mathbb{F} .
 (b) Show that first that for every Borel function $f(x)$, the random variable

$$f(\tau(\omega))\mathbf{1}(\tau(\omega) \leq s)$$

is \mathcal{F}_s -measurable.

- (c) Define the *cumulative hazard function*

$$\Lambda(t) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{1 - F(s-)} F(ds)$$

where $F(s-) = P(\tau < s)$ denotes the limit from the left.

Show that

$$M_t = N_t - \Lambda_{t \wedge \tau}$$

is a an \mathbb{F} -martingale.

Hint: use the definition, and show that for $s \leq t$ and every $A \in \mathcal{F}_s$

$$E_P \left((N_t - N_s) \mathbf{1}_A \right) = E_P \left((\Lambda_{t \wedge \tau} - \Lambda_{s \wedge \tau}) \mathbf{1}_A \right)$$

It turns out that it is enough to do the computation for $A = \{\omega : \tau(\omega) > s\}$ (why?). Fubini's theorem may be also useful.

- (d) Assume that $t \mapsto F(t)$ and therefore also $t \mapsto \Lambda(t)$ are continuous, which means $P(\tau = t) = 0 \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Show that Λ_τ has 1-exponential distribution:

$$P(\Lambda_\tau > x) = \exp(-x), \quad x \geq 0$$

Hint: one line of proof compute the Laplace transform

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) := E_P \left(\exp(-\theta \Lambda_\tau) \right) \quad \theta > 0$$

and compare it with the Laplace transform of the 1-exponential distribution.

- (e) Show that the martingale M_t is uniformly integrable, what is M_∞ ?

2. Let $(M_t : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ a \mathbb{F} -martingale, and \mathbb{G} a filtration with $\mathcal{G}_t \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t$. We assume that (M_t) is also \mathbb{G} -adapted. Show that (M_t) is a martingale in the smaller filtration \mathbb{G} .

3. Let $(M_t : t \in \mathbb{R})$ a F -martingale under P , and \mathcal{G}_t a filtration such that $\forall t \geq 0$, the σ -algebrae \mathcal{G}_t and $\sigma(M_s : s \leq t)$ are P -independent.

Show that under P , $(M_t : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ is a martingale in the enlarged filtration $(\mathcal{F}_t \vee \mathcal{G}_t : t \geq 0)$.

Let $(B_t : t \geq 0)$ a Brownian motion in the filtration \mathbb{F} , which means

- $B_0(\omega) = 0$
- $t \mapsto B_t(\omega)$ is continuous
- $\forall 0 \leq s \leq t$, $(B_t - B_s)$ is P -independent from \mathcal{F}_s , conditionally gaussian with conditional mean $E(B_t - B_s | \mathcal{F}_s) = 0$ and conditional variance $E((B_t - B_s)^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) = t - s$

4. Show that for $a > 0$ the process $(a^{-1/2}B_{at} : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ is also a Brownian motion.
5. The process $W_0 = 0$, $W_t = tB_{1/t}$ is also a Brownian motion.
6. Let $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, and $i = \sqrt{-1}$ the imaginary unit

Show that

$$E_P(\exp(i\theta B_t)) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}\theta^2 t)$$

Hint: Use complex integration over the rectangular contour delimited by in the complex plane by the points $R, (R + i\theta), (-R + i\theta), -R$ with $R \in \mathbb{R}$ and let $R \rightarrow \infty$.

7. For $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, consider now

$$M_t = \exp(i\theta B_t + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 t) = \left\{ \exp(\frac{1}{2}\theta^2 t) \cos(\theta B_t) + \sqrt{-1} \exp(\frac{1}{2}\theta^2 t) \sin(\theta B_t) \right\} \in \mathbb{C}$$

where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is the imaginary unit.

Recall that $E(\exp(i\theta G)) = \exp(-\theta^2 \sigma^2 / 2)$ when $G(\omega) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

- Show that M_t is complex valued \mathbb{F} -martingale, which means that real and imaginary parts are \mathbb{F} -martingales.
- Show that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |M_t(\omega)| = \infty$