

Stochastic analysis, autumn 2011, Exercises-10, 22.11.2011

1. Let τ be a \mathbb{F} -stopping time in the filtration generated by a Brownian motion B_t , such that $E(\tau) < \infty$.

- Use Doob maximal inequality to show that $(B_{\tau \wedge t} : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ is a martingale bounded in $L^2(P)$.

Solution

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} E(B_{\tau \wedge t}^2) = \sup_{t \geq 0} E(\langle B \rangle_{t \wedge \tau}) = \sup_{t > 0} E(t \wedge \tau) = E(\tau) < \infty$$

by monotone convergence.

- Prove Wald's identities

$$E(B_\tau) = 0 \quad , \quad E(B_\tau^2) = E(\tau)$$

Hint: Doob optional sampling theorem cannot be applied directly since $(B_t : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ is not uniformly integrable, neither $\tau(\omega)$ is assumed to be bounded. Note also that

$$B_\tau(\omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (B_{\tau \wedge n}(\omega) - B_{\tau \wedge (n-1)}(\omega))$$

Solution Note that

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(B_{\tau \wedge n}(\omega)^2\right) &= E\left(\left\{\sum_{k=1}^n (B_{\tau \wedge k}(\omega) - B_{\tau \wedge (k-1)}(\omega))\right\}^2\right) = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n E\left((B_{\tau \wedge k}(\omega) - B_{\tau \wedge (k-1)}(\omega))^2\right) \\ &+ 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{0 \leq h < k} E\left((B_{\tau \wedge k}(\omega) - B_{\tau \wedge (k-1)}(\omega))E(B_{\tau \wedge k}(\omega) - B_{\tau \wedge (k-1)}(\omega) | \mathcal{F}_{k-1})\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n E(\langle B \rangle_{\tau \wedge k} - \langle B \rangle_{\tau \wedge (k-1)}) = \sum_{k=1}^n E(\tau \wedge k - \tau \wedge (k-1)) = \\ &E(\tau \wedge n) \uparrow E(\tau) \text{ as } n \uparrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

by the martingale property of $(B_{\tau \wedge n})$ in the filtration $(\mathcal{F}_{\tau \wedge n} : n \in \mathbb{N})$ which follows by Doob's optional sampling theorem for bounded stopping times. Moreover $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_{\tau \wedge n} = B_\tau$ almost surely and in $L^2(P)$ sense, which implies $E(B_\tau^2) = E(\tau)$

This means $\sup_n E(B_{\tau \wedge n}^2) \leq E(\tau) < \infty$, the collection of r.v. $\{B_{\tau \wedge n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is bounded in L^2 and therefore it is uniformly integrable. Therefore

$$0 = E(B_0) = E(B_{\tau \wedge n}) \rightarrow E(B_\tau) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

2. Let M_t a continuous \mathbb{F} -martingale with $E(M_t^2) < \infty \forall t$, and let A_t be a continuous and bounded \mathbb{F} -adapted process with finite variation on finite intervals.

Show that for $0 \leq s \leq t$

$$M_t A_t - M_s A_s = \int_0^t A_s dM_s + \int_0^t M_s dA_s$$

where on the right side we have an Ito integral and a Riemann Stieltjes integral.

Note that the Ito integral $((A \cdot M)_t : t \in \mathbb{R}^+)$ is a square integrable martingale (why?).

Hint Note that

$$M_t A_t - M_s A_s = M_t(A_t - A_s) + A_s(M_t - M_s)$$

and use telescopic sums for some $s = r_0 < r_1 < \dots < r_n = t$, letting the step-size of the partition going to zero.

Solution By using telescopic sums, for $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots$

$$M_t A_t - M_0 A_0 = \sum_{t_i} M_{t_i} (A_{t \wedge t_i} - A_{t \wedge t_{i-1}}) + \sum_{t_i} A_{t_i} (M_{t \wedge t_i} - M_{t \wedge t_{i-1}})$$

as $\Delta = \sup_i (t_i - t_{i-1}) \rightarrow 0$, P a.s. the first sum converges to the Riemann Stieltjes integral $\int_0^t M_s dA_s$ since P a.s. $A_t(\omega)$ has finite variation on compacts and $M_t(\omega)$ is continuous. Since A_t is bounded and M_t is square integrable by the bounded convergence theorem we have also convergence in $L^2(P)$.

The second sum converges is the limit of Ito integrals $\int_0^t A_s^\Pi dM_s$ with simple predictable integrands, since

$$A_s^\Pi := A_{t_i}(\omega) \mathbf{1}_{(t_{i-1}, t_i]}(s) \rightarrow A_s \hat{A} \text{ in } L^2(\Omega \times [0, t], \mathcal{P}, dP \otimes d\langle M \rangle),$$

$$\int_0^t A_s^\Pi dM_s \rightarrow \int A_s dM_s \text{ in } L^2(\Omega).$$

3. Let B_t a Brownian motion and denote by \mathbb{F} its filtration.

Consider the pathwise Ito-Föllmer formula.

$$f(B_t, t) = f(B_0, 0) + \int_0^t f_x(B_s, s) dB_s + \int_0^t \left(f_s(B_s, s) + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(B_s, s) \right) ds$$

where the pathwise Föllmer integral coincides with the Ito integral. We assume that $f(x, s)$ is such that the the integrals above exist. Since the gaussian distribution has exponential moments, it is more than enough to assume that the derivatives have polynomial growth.

Show that if $f(B_t, t)$ is a local martingale, necessarily

$$f(B_t, t) = f(B_0, 0) + \int_0^t f_x(B_s, s) dB_s$$

Hint: a local martingale with finite variation is constant.

Solution By Ito formula the difference

$$f(B_t, t) - f(B_0, 0) - \int_0^t f_x(B_s, s)dB_s = \int_0^t \left(f_s(B_s, s) + \frac{1}{2}f_{xx}(B_s, s) \right) ds$$

is a continuous local martingale with finite variation, which is necessarily constant $\equiv 0$.

4. By using independence of increment, and the formula for the characteristic function of a standard gaussian $E(\exp(i\theta B_1)) = \exp(-\theta^2/2)$, $i = \sqrt{-1}$, we have seen that

$$\begin{aligned} Z_t(\theta) &= \exp(i\theta B_t + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 t) = \cos(\theta B_t) \exp(\theta^2 t/2) + i \sin(\theta B_t) \exp(\theta^2 t/2) \\ &= M_t(\theta) + iN_t(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

is a complex valued \mathbb{F} -martingale, where

$$M_t(\theta) = \cos(\theta B_t) \exp(\theta^2 t/2), \quad N_t(\theta) = \sin(\theta B_t) \exp(\theta^2 t/2),$$

Equivalently M_t and N_t are real valued martingales.

- Check that M_t and N_t are in $L^2(P)$.

Solution Since $|\cos(\theta)| \leq 1$, $E(M_t^2) \leq \exp(\theta^2) < \infty$

- Use Exercise 1 and 2 together with Ito formula to compute $\langle M(\theta) \rangle_t$, $\langle N(\theta) \rangle_t$, and $\langle N(\theta), M(\theta) \rangle_t$.

Hint: express $M(\theta)_t = M(\theta)_0 + \int_0^t f_x(s, B_s)dB_s$ as an Ito integral,

use the formula $\langle Y \cdot M \rangle_t = \int_0^t Y_s^2 d\langle M \rangle_s$.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} dM_t &= -N_t \theta dB_t, & dN_t &= M_t \theta dB_t \\ M_t &= 1 - \theta \int_0^t N_s dB_s, & N_t &= \theta \int_0^t M_s dB_s, \\ \langle M \rangle_t &= \theta^2 \int_0^t N_s^2 ds, & \langle N \rangle_t &= \theta^2 \int_0^t M_s^2 ds, \\ \langle M, B \rangle_t &= -\theta \int_0^t N_s ds, & \langle N, B \rangle_t &= \theta \int_0^t M_s ds, & \langle M, N \rangle_t &= -\theta^2 \int_0^t M_s N_s ds \end{aligned}$$

5. Compute $E(M_t^2(\theta))$ and $E(N_t^2(\theta))$

Hint: As an alternative to the direct calculation, use the isometry

$$E(M_t^2(\theta)) = E(M_0(\theta)^2) + E(\langle M(\theta) \rangle_t), \quad E(N_t^2(\theta)) = E(N_0(\theta)^2) + E(\langle N(\theta) \rangle_t)$$

and the previous exercise to show that

$$E(M_t^2(\theta)) = 1 + \int_0^t E(N_s^2(\theta)) ds, \quad E(N_t^2(\theta)) = \int_0^t E(M_s^2(\theta)) ds$$

which gives a deterministic 2-dimensional linear differential system with unknown functions $\xi_t = E(M_t^2(\theta)), \eta_t = E(N_t^2(\theta))$. To solve it use hyperbolic functions:

$$\sinh(x) = (e^x - e^{-x})/2, \quad \cosh(x) = (e^x + e^{-x})/2,$$

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$$\begin{aligned} E(M_t^2) &= E(M_0^2) + E(\langle M_t \rangle) = 1 + \theta^2 \int_0^t E(N_s^2) ds, \\ E(N_t^2) &= E(M_0^2) + E(\langle N_t \rangle) = 0 + \theta^2 \int_0^t E(M_s^2) ds, \end{aligned}$$

i.e. $E(M_t^2) = \xi_t$ and $E(N_t^2) = \eta_t$ solving the linear differential system

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_t &= 1 + \theta^2 \int_0^t \eta_s ds, \\ \eta_t &= 0 + \theta^2 \int_0^t \xi_s ds, \end{aligned}$$

In matrix form

$$d \begin{pmatrix} \xi_t \\ \eta_t \end{pmatrix} = \theta^2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_t \\ \eta_t \end{pmatrix} dt = \theta^2 A \begin{pmatrix} \xi_t \\ \eta_t \end{pmatrix} dt$$

with solution

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi_t \\ \eta_t \end{pmatrix} = \exp(\theta^2 A t) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_0 \\ \eta_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $(\xi_0, \eta_0) = (1, 0)$, and we use the matrix exponential

$$\exp(\theta^2 A t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\theta^2 t)^n}{n!} A^n (1, 0)^\top$$

where $A^{2n} = \text{Id}$, $A^{2n+1} = A$.

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_t &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\theta^2 t)^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cosh(\theta^2 t) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \exp(\theta^2 t) + \exp(-\theta^2 t) \} \\ \eta_t &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\theta^2 t)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \sinh(\theta^2 t) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \exp(\theta^2 t) - \exp(-\theta^2 t) \} \end{aligned}$$