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1. • Show that the linear space generated by the Haar system, which coincides with the set of functions which are piecewise constant on the dyadic partition D_n for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, is dense in the space of continuous functions $C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ under the supremum norm

$$\|f\|_\infty := \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |f(t)|$$

A continuous function f is uniformly continuous on a compact, therefore for every $\varepsilon > 0 \exists n(\varepsilon)$ such that

$$|f(t) - f(k2^{-n})| < \varepsilon \quad \text{when } t \in [k2^{-n}, (k+1)2^{-n}]$$

and

$$\int_0^1 (f(t) - f_{n(\varepsilon)}(t))^2 dt \leq \varepsilon^2$$

We recall Luzin's theorem from real analysis: if $x : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a measurable function, for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a continuous function f such that

$$\lambda(\{t : x(t) \neq f(t)\}) < \varepsilon$$

where $\lambda(dt)$ is Lebesgue measure.

- Show that $C([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$ is dense in $L^2([0, 1], dt)$.
Let $X(\omega) \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$. Let

$$X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)\mathbf{1}(|X(\omega)| \leq n)$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \uparrow \infty} X_n(\omega)^2 \uparrow X(\omega)^2 \quad \forall \omega$$

as $n \uparrow \infty$ by the dominated convergence theorem

$$\lim_{n \uparrow \infty} \int_0^1 (X(\omega) - X_n(\omega))^2 P(d\omega) = 0$$

Bounded random variables are dense in $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$. In particular bounded measurable functions are dense in $L^2([0, 1], dt)$. It is enough to show that a bounded measurable function can be approximated by a continuous function in $L^2([0, 1], dt)$.

Let

$$\sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |x(t)| = \|x\|_\infty < \infty$$

By Luzin theorem for each n there is a bounded continuous function $y_n(t)$ such that $|y_n(t)| \leq \|x\|_\infty$ and

$$\lambda(\{t : x(t) \neq y_n(t)\}) < 1/n$$

Then

$$\int (x(t) - y_n(t))^2 dt \leq 2 \|x\|_\infty \lambda(\{t : x(t) \neq y_n(t)\}) \rightarrow 0$$

- Show that the Haar system is a complete orthonormal basis of $L^2([0, 1], dt)$. Consider $\eta_d(t)$ $\eta_{d'}(t)$ the Haar functions defined in the lectures with $d \in D_n \setminus D_{n-1}$, $d' \in D_{n'} \setminus D_{n'-1}$. There are three possibilities: $d' = d$ and we see that $\int \eta_d(t)^2 dt = 2^n 2^{-n} = 1$. Otherwise either the $n = n'$ and $d \neq d'$, in such case η_d and $\eta_{d'}$ have disjoint support, or $n \neq n'$, for example $n < n'$, and also in such case either $\eta_{d'}$ have disjoint support, or the η_d is constant on the support of $\eta_{d'}$, and

$$\int \eta_{d'}(t) dt = 0$$

since $\eta_{d'}$ is antisymmetric around d' .

Now every function $f \in C([0, 1])$ is uniformly continuous on the compact $[0, 1]$. Therefore we can always approximate in supremum norm f by a sequence of functions f_n which are piecewise constant on intervals with extremes in D_n , and such function is expressed as linear combinations of η_d functions with $d \in D_n$

To conclude the argument, just note that the supremum norm is stronger than the norm $L^2([0, 1], dt)$, so that the sequence f_n approximates f also in L^2 -sense.

- Let $X(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$ and $Y(\omega) = (Y_1(\omega), \dots, Y_d(\omega)) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ with $X, Y_i \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$. Consider the linear subspace generated by $Y(\omega)$

$$\text{Lin}(Y) = \{a + b \cdot Y(\omega) : a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}^d\}.$$

Note that this is a $(d + 1)$ -dimensional space.

We define the best linear estimator of X given Y as the L^2 -orthogonal projection $\hat{E}(X|Y)$ of X on the linear subspace $\text{Lin}(Y)$ generated by Y .

Equivalently

$$\hat{E}(X|Y)(\omega) = \hat{a} + \hat{b} \cdot Y(\omega)$$

for some deterministic $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{R}$ $\hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ where

$$(\hat{a}, \hat{b}Y(\omega)) = \arg \min_{a,b} E(\{X - (a + b \cdot Y)\}^2)$$

Note that the conditional expectation $E(X|Y) = E(X|\sigma(Y))$ is the L^2 -orthogonal projection of X on the infinite dimensional subspace $L^2(\Omega, \sigma(Y), P) \supset \text{Lin}(Y)$, and in general $E(X|Y) \neq \hat{E}(X|Y)$.

- Show that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{E}(X|Y) &= E(X) + (Y - E(Y))\Sigma_{Y Y}^{-1}\Sigma'_{X Y} \\ E\left((X - \hat{E}(X|Y))^2\right) &= \Sigma_{X X} - \Sigma_{X Y}\Sigma_{Y Y}^{-1}\Sigma'_{X Y} \end{aligned}$$

where the covariance matrix of $(X, Y) = (X, Y_1, \dots, Y_d)$ is denoted as

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{X X} & \Sigma_{X Y} \\ \Sigma'_{X Y} & \Sigma_{Y Y} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hint: assume $E(X) = E(Y_i) = 0$, and maximize the mean square error with respect to the parameters a, b .

- Show that when the vector (X, Y) is jointly gaussian, all conditional distributions are gaussian and the best linear estimator $\hat{E}(X|Y)$ coincides with the conditional expectation $E(X|Y)$. (Use Bayes formula!).

Hint: recall that the joint distribution of a gaussian vector is specified by the mean vector and covariance matrix.

R. Assume that $E(Y) = 0$ since Y and $Y - E(Y)$ generate the same linear subspace, and $E(X) = 0$, otherwise project first $(X - E(X))$ where $E(X) \in \text{Lin}(Y)$. In dimension 1

$$E(\{X - (a + b \cdot Y)\}^2) = E(X^2) + a^2 + bE(Y^\top Y)b^\top + 2ab \cdot E(Y) - 2aE(X) - 2b \cdot E(XY) = E(X^2) + a^2 + bE(Y^\top Y)b^\top - 2b \cdot E(XY)$$

We obtain

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial a} E(\{X - (a + b \cdot Y)\}^2) = 2a,$$

$$0 \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} E(\{X - (a + b \cdot Y)\}^2) = 2(bE(Y^\top Y) - E(XY)) \iff a = 0, \quad b = E(XY)E(Y^\top Y)^{-1}$$

We obtain the best linear estimator

$$\hat{E}(X|Y) = E(X) + E(XY)E(Y^\top Y)^{-1}(Y - E(Y))$$

Still assuming $E(X) = 0$ $E(Y) = 0$, by orthogonality

$$E\left(\hat{E}(X|Y)(X - \hat{E}(X|Y))\right) = 0$$

and

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) = E\left(\left\{\hat{E}(X|Y) + (X - \hat{E}(X|Y))\right\}^2\right) = E(\hat{E}(X|Y)^2) + E((X - \hat{E}(X|Y))^2)$$

that is

$$E(\hat{E}(X|Y)^2) = E(X^2) - E((X - \hat{E}(X|Y))^2) = E\left(\left\{X - \hat{E}(X|Y)\right\}^2\right) = E(X^2) - E(XY)E(Y^\top Y)^{-1}E(Y Y^\top)E(Y Y^\top)^{-1}E(XY^\top) = E(X^2) - E(XY)E(Y^\top Y)^{-1}E(XY^\top)$$

Next we compute the conditional distributions of a multivariate gaussian.

Let $(X, Y) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$. We assume that $E(X) = 0$ and $E(Y) = 0$ otherwise we shift the gaussian distribution considering the pairs $X' = (X - E(X))$ and $Y' = (Y - E(Y))$.

Denote the **precision matrix** $D = \Sigma^{-1}$, $X(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, Y(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y}$, $n = n_x + n_y$ where Σ is the covariance matrix of (X, Y) .

By Bayes' formula

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \sqrt{|D|} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ (x, y) D (x, y)^\top \right\}\right) = p_X(x) p_{Y|X}(y|x)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} p_X(x) &= (2\pi)^{-n_x/2} |\Sigma_{xx}|^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ x \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} x^\top \right\}\right) \\ p_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_X(x)} = (2\pi)^{-n_y/2} \sqrt{|D| \times |\Sigma_{xx}|} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ (x, y) D (x, y)^\top - x \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} x^\top \right\}\right) = \\ &= (2\pi)^{-n_y/2} \sqrt{|D| \times |\Sigma_{xx}|} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ x (D_{xx} - \Sigma_{xx}^{-1}) x^\top \right\}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ y D_{yy} y^\top + 2y D_{yx}^\top x^\top \right\}\right) = \\ &= (2\pi)^{-n_y/2} \sqrt{|D| \times |\Sigma_{xx}|} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ x (D_{xx} - D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1} D_{xy}^\top - \Sigma_{xx}^{-1}) x^\top \right\}\right) \\ &\quad \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ (y + x D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1}) D_{yy} (y + x D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1})^\top \right\}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Now conditionally on X we treat x as a constant it follows that the conditional distribution $p_{Y|X}(y|x)$ is gaussian with conditional covariance matrix

$$\Sigma_{y|x} = D_{yy}^{-1} \quad (1)$$

and conditional mean

$$E(y|x) = -x D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1} \quad (2)$$

Also since this conditional variance does not depend on x we must have

$$\Sigma_{xx}^{-1} = D_{xx} - D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1} D_{xy}^\top \quad (3)$$

and also

$$|D_{yy}| = |D| \times |\Sigma_{xx}| = |\Sigma_{xx}| / |\Sigma| \quad (4)$$

Note also that by inverting the roles of Σ and D ($D = \Sigma^{-1}$ is also a symmetric non-negative matrix, which corresponds to a covariance matrix), we obtain

$$D_{xx}^{-1} = \Sigma_{xx} - \Sigma_{xy} \Sigma_{yy}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}^\top, \quad (5)$$

$$|\Sigma_{yy}| = |\Sigma| \times |D_{xx}| = |D_{xx}| / |D| \quad (6)$$

By changing the roles of x and y we obtain also

$$\Sigma_{x|y} = D_{xx}^{-1}, \quad (7)$$

$$\Sigma_{yy}^{-1} = D_{yy} - D_{xy}^\top D_{xx}^{-1} D_{xy}, \quad (8)$$

$$D_{yy}^{-1} = \Sigma_{yy} - \Sigma_{xy}^\top \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} = \Sigma_{y|x} \quad (9)$$

Now we use the property of the inverse matrix: since $\Sigma D = D \Sigma = Id$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{xy}^\top & \Sigma_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} \\ D_{xy}^\top & D_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Id & 0 \\ 0 & Id \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} \\ D_{xy}^\top & D_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{xy}^\top & \Sigma_{yy} \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

we have

$$\Sigma_{xx} D_{xx} + \Sigma_{xy} D_{xy}^\top = Id = D_{xx} \Sigma_{xx} + D_{xy} \Sigma_{xy}^\top \quad (11)$$

$$\Sigma_{xx} D_{xy} + \Sigma_{xy} D_{yy} = 0 = D_{xx} \Sigma_{xy} + D_{xy} \Sigma_{yy} \quad (12)$$

$$\Sigma_{xy}^\top D_{xx} + \Sigma_{yy} D_{xy}^\top = 0 = D_{xy}^\top \Sigma_{xx} + D_{yy} \Sigma_{xy}^\top \quad (13)$$

$$\Sigma_{xy}^\top D_{xy} + \Sigma_{yy} D_{yy}^\top = Id = D_{xy}^\top \Sigma_{xy} + D_{yy} \Sigma_{yy}^\top \quad (14)$$

we can use it to obtain a new expression for the conditional expectation (2) : by using (9) ,(11),(12)

$$\begin{aligned} E(y|x) &= -x D_{xy} D_{yy}^{-1} = -x D_{xy} (\Sigma_{yy} - \Sigma_{xy}^\top \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}) \\ &= x (-D_{xy} \Sigma_{yy} + D_{xy} \Sigma_{xy}^\top \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}) \\ &= x (D_{xx} \Sigma_{xy} + \{Id - D_{xx} \Sigma_{xx}\} \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}) \\ &= x (D_{xx} \Sigma_{xy} + \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} - D_{xx} \Sigma_{xy}) = x \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \end{aligned}$$

By changing the roles of x and y we get also

$$E(x|y) = -y D_{xy}^\top D_{xx}^{-1} = y \Sigma_{yy}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}^\top \quad (15)$$

When X and Y a priori have non zero mean, by using $X' = (X - E(X))$ and $Y' = (Y - E(Y))$ we obtain

$$E(X|Y) = E(X) + \{Y - E(Y)\} \Sigma_{yy}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}^\top \quad (16)$$

$$E(Y|X) = E(Y) + \{X - E(X)\} \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \quad (17)$$

It follows also that

$$D_{xy} = -\Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} D_{yy} = -\Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \Sigma_{y|x}^{-1} = -\Sigma_{x|y}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \Sigma_{yy}^{-1} \quad (18)$$

and

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} \\ D_{xy}^\top & D_{yy} \end{pmatrix} = \Sigma^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{x|y}^{-1} & -\Sigma_{x|y}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \Sigma_{yy}^{-1} \\ -\Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy} \Sigma_{y|x}^{-1} & \Sigma_{y|x}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (19)$$

3. Let $(B_t(\omega) : t \in [0, 1])$ a Brownian motion, and $D_n = (k2^{-n} : k = 0, 1, \dots, 2^n)$.

Show that for fixed n and dyadic indexes

$$d = (2k + 1)2^{-n} \in D_n \setminus D_{n-1}, d_- = 2k2^{-n}, d_+ = (2k + 2)2^{-n} \in D_{n-1}$$

with $k = 0, \dots, 2^{n-1}$,

$$G_d(\omega) := \left(B_d(\omega) - \frac{B_{d_-}(\omega) + B_{d_+}(\omega)}{2} \right) 2^{(n+1)/2}, \quad d \in D$$

are i.i.d. standard gaussian variable ($E(G_d) = 0, E(G_d^2) = 1$).

R.

$$G_d(\omega) = 2^{(n-1)/2} \left(B_d(\omega) - B_{d_-}(\omega) \right) - 2^{(n-1)/2} \left(B_{d_+}(\omega) - B_d(\omega) \right)$$

where the intervals $(d_-, d) \cap (d, d_+) = \emptyset$ and also the intervals $(d_-, d_+) \cap (d'_-, d'_+) = \emptyset$ when $d' \neq d \in D_n \setminus D_{n-1}$. Therefore the increments on the right hand side are independent, and also are independent from G'_d where $d' \neq d \in D_n \setminus D_{n-1}$

Since $d - d_- = d_+ - d = 2^{-n}$, it follows that G_d is gaussian with $E(G_d) = 0$ and variance $E(G_d^2) = 2(2^{(n-1)/2})^2 2^{-n} = 1$.

4. Let $G(\omega) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$, and $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}, d\gamma)$ where $\gamma(dx) = \phi(x)dx$.

Here

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right)$$

denotes the standard gaussian density.

Consider the function

$$u(t, x) = E_P \left(f(x + G\sqrt{t}) \right)$$

- Show that $u(t, x)$ is smooth in the open set $(0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}$. This does not require any smoothness on f .

Hint: write

$$\frac{u(t + \varepsilon, x) - u(t, x)}{\varepsilon}, \quad \frac{u(t, x + \varepsilon) - u(t, x)}{\varepsilon}$$

as integrals, and do an oportune change of variable in order to use the smoothness of the gaussian density ϕ when you take the limit as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u(t, x + \varepsilon) - u(t, x)}{\varepsilon} &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} E \left(f(x + \varepsilon + G\sqrt{t}) - f(x + G\sqrt{t}) \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(f(x + \varepsilon + y\sqrt{t}) - f(x + y) \right) \phi(y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x + y\sqrt{t}) \left(\phi\left(y - \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{t}}\right) - \phi(y) \right) dy \\ &\rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x + y\sqrt{t}) \frac{(-1)}{\sqrt{t}} \phi'(y) dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x + y\sqrt{t}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi(y) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} E(f(x + G\sqrt{t})G) = \frac{1}{t} E(f(x + G\sqrt{t})G\sqrt{t}) \end{aligned}$$

For the time-derivative,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{u(t+\varepsilon, x) - u(t, x)}{\varepsilon} &= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} E\left(f(x + G\sqrt{t+\varepsilon}) - f(x + G\sqrt{t})\right) = \\
&= \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x+y) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t+\varepsilon}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t+\varepsilon}}\right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \right) dy \\
&\rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x+y) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \right) dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x+y) \frac{1}{2t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \left(\frac{y^2}{t} - 1\right) dy \\
&= \frac{1}{2t} E\left(f(x + G\sqrt{t})(G^2 - 1)\right) = \frac{1}{2t^2} E\left(f(x + G\sqrt{t})(G^2 t - t)\right)
\end{aligned}$$

where we have computed the partial derivative

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \right) &= -\frac{1}{2} t^{-3/2} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) + t^{-1/2} \phi'\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \left(-\frac{y}{2} t^{-3/2}\right) = \\
&= \frac{(-1)}{2} t^{-3/2} \left(\phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) + y t^{-1/2} \phi'\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \right) = \\
&= \frac{-1}{2} t^{-3/2} \left(\phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) - y t^{-1/2} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \frac{y}{\sqrt{t}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} t^{-3/2} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \left(\frac{y^2}{t} - 1\right)
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ inside the expectation needs to be justified. It follows by an uniform integrability condition which will be discussed this later in the course. It holds when $x \mapsto f(x)$ has polynomial growth, since the gaussian distribution has all exponential moments $E(\exp(\theta G)) < \infty$ for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

- Use the gaussian integration by parts formula to express the partial derivatives for $t > 0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(t, x), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(t, x), \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u(t, x)$$

R We have since $B_t \sim G\sqrt{t}$ where \sim means identity in law and G is a standard gaussian,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(t, x) &= \frac{1}{2t^2} E\left(f(x + B_t)(B_t^2 - t)\right), \\
\frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(t, x) &= \frac{1}{t} E(f(x + B_t)B_t)
\end{aligned}$$

For the second derivative w.r.t. x we apply the integration by parts formula to the first derivative

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} E(f(x + B_t)) &= \frac{1}{t} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} E(f(x + B_t)B_t) \\
&= \frac{1}{t} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} E(f(x + B_t)(x + B_t)) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(x E(f(x + B_t)) \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

for the first term we apply the gaussian integration by parts to $x \mapsto g(x) :=$

$f(x)x$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} E(f(x+B_t)) &= \frac{1}{t} \left\{ \frac{1}{t} E_P(g(x+B_t)B_t) - E(f(x+B_t)) - \frac{x}{t} E(f(x+B_t)B_t) \right\} = \\ &= \frac{1}{t} \left\{ \frac{1}{t} E_P(f(x+B_t)(x+B_t)B_t) - E(f(x+B_t)) - \frac{x}{t} E(f(x+B_t)B_t) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{t^2} E(f(x+B_t)(B_t^2 - t)) = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} E(f(x+B_t)) \end{aligned}$$

We see that $u(x, t) = E(f(x+B_t))$ satisfies the partial differential equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u(t, x)$$

5. Let

$$p(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}\right)$$

- By using the Markov property of Brownian motion (which follows from the independence of increments), show that for $0 \leq t \leq T$

$$p(y-x, T-t)dy = P(B_T \in dy | B_t = x) = P(B_{T-t} + x \in dy)$$

R. For a non-negative measurable test function $f(x, y)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(f(B_T, B_t)) &= E(f(B_t + (B_T - B_t), B_t)) = E(f(B_t + G\sqrt{T-t}, B_t)) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x+y, x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{T-t}} \phi\left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{T-t}}\right) dy \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \phi\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{t}}\right) dx \end{aligned}$$

Denote for $t \in [0, T]$

$$v(t, x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(y) p(y-x, T-t) dy = E_P(f(B_T) | B_t = x)$$

for some $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}, d\gamma)$, where $\gamma(dy) = p(y, T)dy$ is the $\mathcal{N}(0, T)$ gaussian measure.

- Show that $v(t, x)$ is smooth in $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}$ with respect to the variables (t, x) , the partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} v(t, x), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(t, x), \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} v(t, x)$$

R. We have

$$\begin{aligned} v(t, x) &= E_P(f(B_T) | B_t = x) = E_P(f(x+B_T - B_t) | B_t = x) = E_P(f(x+B_T - B_t)) = \\ &= E_P(f(x+G\sqrt{T-t})) = u(T-t, x) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} v(t, x) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(T-t, x) = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(T-t, x) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(t, x) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(T-t, x) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(T-t, x) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} v(t, x) &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} u(T-t, x) = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(T-t, x) \end{aligned}$$

$v(t, x)$ satisfies the partial differential equation (heat equation)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}v(t, x) = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(T-t, t) = -\frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(T-t, t) = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}u(T-t, t) \quad , 0 \leq t < T$$