

Ito formula:

Cts semi-MG $\{X_t\}$, $f \in C^2$, then

$$df(X_t) = f'(X_t) dX_t + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} f''(X_t) d\langle X, X \rangle_t}_{\text{Ito correction}}$$

in integral form: $X_t = \int_0^t df(X_s)$

(actually well-defined)

$$= \int_0^t f'(X_s) dX_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f''(X_s) d\langle X, X \rangle_s$$

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generalized to

$$f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \in C^{1,2},$$

meaning $df(t, X_t) = \text{---}$

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generalized to multi-dimensional setting where $\{X_t\}$ takes values in $\mathbb{R}^d$

ex: X, Y indep BM, $R_t^2 = X_t^2 + Y_t^2$, show that

$$\tilde{Z}_t = \int_0^t \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s + \int_0^t \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \text{ is BM.}$$

$$\text{Show that } R_t^2 = 2 \int_0^t R_s d\tilde{Z}_s + 2t.$$

Pf: filtration $\mathcal{G}_t^{\tilde{Z}} = \sigma(X_s, Y_s: s \in [0, t])$,

$\{\tilde{Z}_t\}$ adapted to $\{\mathcal{G}_t^{\tilde{Z}}\}$ and is a cts MG.

Ito integral,
check that $\forall t$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left\langle \int_0^\cdot \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^\cdot \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s \right\rangle_t &< \infty \\ &\parallel \\ \int_0^t \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{X_s}{R_s} \right)^2 ds &\checkmark \end{aligned}$$

By Levy's characterization, suffices to check

$$\langle \tilde{Z}, \tilde{Z} \rangle_t = t.$$

$$\langle \tilde{Z}, \tilde{Z} \rangle_t = \left\langle \int_0^\cdot \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^\cdot \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s \right\rangle_t +$$

$$\begin{aligned} &2 \cdot \left\langle \int_0^\cdot \frac{X_s}{R_s} dX_s, \int_0^\cdot \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \right\rangle_t = 0 \text{ since } \langle X, Y \rangle_s = 0. \\ &+ \left\langle \int_0^\cdot \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s, \int_0^\cdot \frac{Y_s}{R_s} dY_s \right\rangle_t \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^t \left(\frac{X_s}{R_s}\right)^2 ds + \int_0^t \left(\frac{Y_s}{R_s}\right)^2 ds = t \quad \checkmark$$

$(X_s^2 + Y_s^2 = R_s^2)$

$$R_t^2 = f(X_t, Y_t), \quad f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 \in C^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ito: } dR_t^2 &= 2X_t dX_t + 2Y_t dY_t + \\ &\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot d\langle X, X \rangle_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 0 \cdot d\langle X, Y \rangle_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot d\langle Y, Y \rangle_t \\ &= 2X_t dX_t + 2Y_t dY_t + 2dt \end{aligned}$$

Integrate both sides:

$$\begin{aligned} R_t^2 - R_0^2 &= 2 \cdot \left(\int_0^t X_s dX_s + \int_0^t Y_s dY_s \right) + 2t \\ &= 2 \cdot \left(\int_0^t R_s d\tilde{Z}_s \right) + 2t \\ &\quad (R_t d\tilde{Z}_t = X_t dX_t + Y_t dY_t \text{ proved}) \end{aligned}$$

Remark: For SDE $dR_t^2 = 2R_t dW_t + 2dt$,

there exists a weak solution under $W_t = \tilde{Z}_t$,

$\xi_t = \xi_t^{\tilde{Z}}$ given by the construction above.

However, it's not guaranteed that a strong solution (pathwise) exists!

e.g: $\begin{cases} dX_t = dW_t \\ X_0 = 0 \end{cases}$

Strong solution: $X_t = W_t$

Weak solution: $\begin{cases} (\tilde{X}_t = B_t, \tilde{W}_t = B_t, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t = \mathcal{G}(B_s: s \in [0, t]) \\ (\tilde{X}_t = -B_t, \tilde{W}_t = -B_t, \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t = \mathcal{G}(B_s: s \in [0, t]) \end{cases}$

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can change
probability space,
BM, and filtration.

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 $\mathbb{P}(B_t = -B_t) = 0$

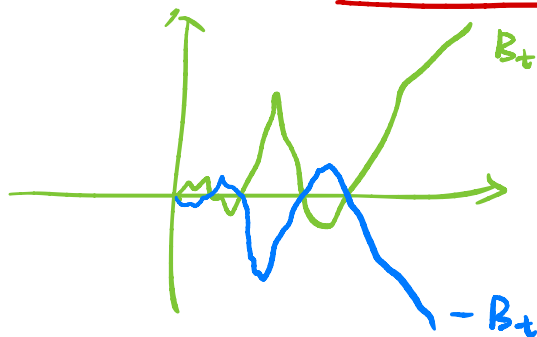
Strong solution is unique

Weak solution not unique, even zero probability of taking the same value at a fixed time!

However, weak solution unique under the sense of finite-dim dist since

$$\{B_t\} \stackrel{d}{=} \{-B_t\}$$

↑ same finite-dim
dist, both BM



✱
same pathwise
behavior

Another example showing problems caused by measurability:

e.g: $\{W_t\}$ BM, then time-reversal $\{t \cdot W_{\frac{1}{t}}\}$ is BM.

Easily proved by viewing as a GP.

However, what's the filtration of $Y_t = t \cdot W_{\frac{1}{t}}$,

it's $\mathcal{F}_t^Y = \sigma(W_s : s \in [\frac{1}{t}, +\infty))$

cost of time reversal.

Obviously, $\{Y_t\}$ is MG under $\{\mathcal{F}_t^Y\}$ but not MG under $\{\mathcal{F}_t^W\}$ since

$$\mathbb{E}(Y_2 | \mathcal{F}_1^W) = 2 \cdot \mathbb{E}(W_{\frac{1}{2}} | \mathcal{F}_1^W)$$

$$= 2W_{\frac{1}{2}} \neq W_1 = Y_1.$$

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a way to prove $\{\mathcal{F}_t^W\} \neq \{\mathcal{F}_t^Y\}$

you may see this in the qual!

e.g: Find SDE of the following process:

$$(a): X_t = \frac{1}{1+t} W_t = f(t, W_t)$$

$$\text{where } f(t, x) = \frac{1}{1+t} x$$

$$dX_t = -\frac{X_t}{(1+t)^2} dt + \frac{1}{1+t} dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 \cdot d\langle W, W \rangle_t$$

$$(b): X_t = \sin W_t = f(W_t)$$

$$\text{where } f(x) = \sin x$$

$$dX_t = \cos W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-\sin W_t) d\langle W, W \rangle_t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sin W_t dt + \cos W_t dW_t$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} X_t dt + \cos W_t dW_t$$

$$(c): \begin{cases} X_t = a \cos W_t \\ Y_t = b \sin W_t \end{cases} \quad \frac{X_t^2}{a^2} + \frac{Y_t^2}{b^2} = 1 \text{ (ellipse)} \\ (ab \neq 0)$$

$$\begin{cases} dX_t = -a \sin W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} (-a \cos W_t) dt \\ dY_t = b \cos W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} (-b \sin W_t) dt \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} dX_t \\ dY_t \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{a}{b} \\ \frac{b}{a} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_t \\ Y_t \end{pmatrix} dW_t$$

Solve SDE:

OU dynamics

eg: $dX_t = -P_t X_t dt + \sigma dW_t$ where X_t takes value in $\mathbb{R}^n$, P_t is deterministic and takes value in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, W is BM on $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Assumption: $\forall s, t \in [0, T]$, P_t commute with P_s .
necessary!

Sf:

first solve ODE $dX_t = -P_t X_t dt$

here we need commutative assumption to get

$$X_t = C \cdot \underline{e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}}$$

o.w. this matrix exponential is wrong!

Then change C from constant to a process $\{C_t\}$,

$$X_t = C_t \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ito: } dX_t &= \overset{\text{product rule}}{e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}} dC_t + C_t \cdot d e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds} \\ &\quad + d \langle C, \underline{e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}} \rangle_t \\ &\quad \text{finite variation} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$= e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds} dC_t - \underbrace{P_t \cdot C_t \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_s ds}}_{X_t} dt$$

original
SDE

$$= -P_t X_t dt + \sigma dW_t$$

Get:

$$dC_t = e^{\int_0^t P_s ds} \cdot \sigma dW_t$$

$$C_t = \underbrace{C}_\substack{\text{some deterministic} \\ \text{constant } C_0} + \int_0^t e^{\int_0^s P_u du} \cdot \sigma \cdot dW_s$$

So:

$$X_t = C \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_u du} + \sigma \cdot \int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t P_u du} dW_s$$

match initial condition X_0

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$$X_t = X_0 \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_u du} + \sigma \cdot \int_0^t e^{-\int_s^t P_u du} dW_s$$

dist:

$$X_t \sim N\left(X_0 \cdot e^{-\int_0^t P_u du}, \sigma^2 \cdot \int_0^t e^{-2\int_s^t P_u du} ds\right)$$