

Today: Ito Calculus.

Recitation 3

$\Delta = \mathcal{F}_t$  adapted process.

Ito Integral: 
$$I(t) = \int_0^t \Delta(s) dW_s := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ \Delta\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) \left[ W\left(\frac{t_{i+1}}{n}\right) - W\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) \right] \right]$$

makes sense when  $\int_0^T \Delta_t^2 dt < \infty$ , in this case  $E\left[\int_0^T \Delta_t^2 dt\right] = [I, I](T)$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ \Delta\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) \left( \frac{t_{i+1}}{n} - \frac{t_i}{n} \right) \right]$$

Good Exercise: Compute  $\int_0^T W_t dW_t$  using the def'n above.

~~Hint: 
$$W\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ W\left(\frac{t_{i+1}}{n}\right) + W\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) \right] - \frac{1}{2} \left[ W\left(\frac{t_{i+1}}{n}\right) - W\left(\frac{t_i}{n}\right) \right]$$~~

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Ito Process:

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$$X = X(0) + \int_0^T b(t) dt + \int_0^T \sigma(t) dW_t$$

1)  $X(0) \in \mathbb{C} \mathbb{R}$ .

Ito Isometry.

2)  $\int_0^T b(t) dt < \infty$ .

$E\left[\int_0^T \sigma^2(t) dt\right]$ .

3)  $E\left[\int_0^T \sigma^2(t) dt\right] < \infty \rightarrow [X, X](T) = \int_0^T \sigma^2(t) dt$ .

Shorthand:  $dx_t = \underbrace{b(t) dt}_{\text{drift}} + \underbrace{\sigma(t) dW_t}_{\text{volatility}}$



$$dX_t \Delta_t = \Delta_t b(t) dt + \Delta_t \sigma(t) dW_t$$

$$\int_0^T \Delta_t dX_t := \int_0^T \Delta_t b(t) dt + \int_0^T \Delta_t \sigma(t) dW_t$$

Ito's Lemma:  $f(t, X) \in C^{1,2}$  then  $X_t$  Ito process.

$$df(t, X_t) = \int_t^+ f_t(t, X_t) dt + f_x(t, X_t) dX_t + \frac{1}{2} f_{xx}(t, X_t) d[X, X]_t$$

$$\text{If } dX_t = \delta(t)dt + \sigma(t)dW_t.$$

$$d[X, X]_t = \sigma^2(t)dt = [X, X]_t = \int_0^T \sigma^2(t)dt$$

Ex 1! Back to  $\int_0^T W_t dW_t$ . Let's use Ito <sup>Lemma</sup> to solve this.

guess:  $\frac{W_t^2}{2}$   $f(t, X) = \frac{X^2}{2}$ , use Ito with  $X_t = W_t$

$$f_t = 0, f_x = X, f_{xx} = 1.$$

$$d\left(\frac{W_t^2}{2}\right) = 0dt + W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} d[W, W]_t = W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} dt.$$

By def'n.

$$dW_t = 0dt + (1)dW_t$$

$$\frac{W_t^2}{2} = \underbrace{f(0, W_0)}_0 + \int_0^T W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt$$

$$= \int_0^T W_t dt + \frac{T}{2} \rightarrow \int_0^T W_t dW_t = \frac{W_t^2}{2} - \frac{T}{2}$$

One benefit: Can evaluate Ito Integrals!

$$dS = \mu S dt + \sigma S dW_t \rightarrow \text{Geometric Brownian Motion (GBM)} \\ \rightarrow \text{SDE}$$

- Remarks:
- i) We will use this to model stock prices.
  - ii)  $\mu$  is the "true" return of the stock.
  - iii)  $\sigma^2$  is the volatility of the stock.
  - iv) To price options it turns out we don't need to actually know the value  $\mu$ !

Let's solve GBM! If  $\sigma = 0$  we have  $dS = \mu S dt$ , which is solved by  $S = S(0) e^{\mu t}$ .

A good guess:  $S_0 e^{\mu t + \sigma W_t} = f(t, W_t)$  i.e.

$$f(t, x) = S_0 e^{\mu t + \sigma x}$$

$$f_t = \mu f, \quad f_x = \sigma f, \quad f_{xx} = \sigma^2 f$$

By Ito:  $d(f(t, W_t)) = \mu f dt + \sigma f dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 f dt$ .

If  $f = S$   $dS = \mu S dt + \sigma S dW_t + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 S dt$  Not Quite!

$$S = S_0 e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma W_t} \quad \text{will work! (check!)}$$

$$= S_0 e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma\sqrt{t} Z_t} \quad \text{where } Z_t \sim N(0,1)$$

Ex 2.  $ds = \mu s dt + \sigma s dW$ ,  $f(x) = x^p$ . find  $d(S^p)$

$$f_t = 0, \quad f_x = p x^{p-1}, \quad f_{xx} = p(p-1) x^{p-2}$$

$$d(S^p) = df(S) = 0 dt + p S^{p-1} dS + \frac{1}{2} p(p-1) S^{p-2} [\sigma^2 S^2] dt$$

$$= p S^{p-1} (\mu S dt + \sigma S dW) + \frac{1}{2} p(p-1) S^p \sigma^2 dt \quad \parallel [S, S]_t$$

$$= S^p \left[ \left[ p\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} p(p-1) \right] dt + p \sigma dW \right]$$

When is this a martingale? (When is  $S^p$  a mart'ale).

$$p = 0, \text{ or } p = \frac{1 - 2\mu}{\sigma^2} \quad (\text{i.e. when "dt term" is 0})$$

Ex 3.  $X(t) = t e^{3W(t)}$ , Find  $b, \sigma$  s.t.

$$X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t b(s) ds + \int_0^t \sigma(s) dW_s.$$

$$f(t, x) = t e^{3x}, \quad f_t = e^{3x}, \quad f_x = 3te^{3x}, \quad f_{xx} = 9te^{3x}$$

$$t e^{3wt} = f(0, 0) + \int_0^t e^{3ws} ds + \int_0^t 3s e^{3ws} dW_s.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t 9s e^{3ws} ds. \quad (d[W, W]_t = dt)$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_0^t e^{3ws} (1 + \frac{9s}{2}) ds}_{b(s)} + \underbrace{\int_0^t 3s e^{3ws} dW_s}_{\sigma(s)}$$

For (F):  $Z = X + Y$ , Then  $[Z, Z] = [X, X] + [Y, Y]$ .

$$X = Y = W_t \Rightarrow \text{we know } [W, W](t) = t \Rightarrow [X, X] + [Y, Y] = 2t$$

$$Z = 2W_t \quad dW_t = 0 + 2dW_t \Rightarrow [Z, Z]_t = 4 \Rightarrow [Z, Z] = 4t$$