

Stochastic Calculus: Syllabus and Exercise

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§ This course is suitable for those who have taken Probability Theory (I); some knowledge of Real Analysis is needed.

§ The content and exercise are adapted from

1. R. Durrett: Probability: Theory and Examples, Third Edition(2005, Duxbury) Chapters 4, 7.

2. B. Oksendal: Stochastic Differential Equations, Sixth Edition(2003, Springer) Chapters 3,4,5,7,8.

§ Grading: Exams(mid-term and final): 80 percent, Homework/Report: 20 percent; subject to change. Notice: classroom participation is noted.

§ Ex's of I[1, Ch 4]: p220 1.2; p223 1.3,1.4;p225 1.6,1.7;p226 1.9,1.10(BP),1.11;p229 2.2;p235 2.5,2.6,2.8,2.12;p236 2.14;p241 3.7,3.8;p246 3.12;p251 4.8,4.9;p260 5.2,5.3;p261 5.6,5.7;p262 5.8;p263 6.1;p268 6.3;p271 7.1;p273 7.4,7.6,7.8

§ Ex's of II[1, Ch 4]: p377 1.2(path non-differentiability), 1.3(quadratic variation);p382 2.3;p385 3.2; p386 3.5;p393 read:example 4.4;p397 read:(5.8);p398 read:(5.9), 5.3;p399 5.7

I. Martingales, adapted from [1, Ch. 4]

§ Notice: In [1, ch. 4] the time index is discrete, while in this course we need to *the continuous-time*.

§ Review from PT I: conditional expectation, filtration, martingale (fair game process), submartingale, supermartingale

§ a Hilbert space viewpoint of conditional expectation

§ stopping (optional) times

§ predictable sequence

§ discrete-time “stochastic integral” process $(H \cdot X)_n$

§ stopped rv, stopped process; the stopped process is still a martingale

§ upcrossings of a sequence over an interval $[a, b]$

§ a key property: the upper bound for EU_n, U_n : the upcrossings up to time n

§ martingale convergence theorem

§ Doob-Meyer decomposition theorem, the discrete-time case

§ an example from SRW

§ no “bounded infinite oscillations”

§ a conditional form of BC Lemma

§ martingale property of a Galton-Watson branching process

§ a theorem on EX_N, N bounded by k

§ Doob’s inequality (1)

- § Doob's inequality (2)
- § martingale $L^p, 1 < p < \infty$, convergence theorem
- § uniform integrability and L^1 convergence: from RA
- § martingale L^1 convergence theorem
- § Lévy's convergence theorem and 0–1 law
- § the stopped process is still u.i.
- § a theorem on EX_N , N any stopping time
- § stopped σ -algebra \mathcal{F}_N ; a monotone lemma
- § optional stopping theorem
- § backwards (reversed) martingale and its convergence theorem
- § continuous-time martingale, the "cadlag" requirement
- § stopping times for continuous-time case
- § the continuous-time Doob-Meyer decomposition theorem, ?!
- § the space of square integrable martingales

II. Brownian Motions, adapted from [1, Ch. 7]

- § math def of BM: Wiener process
- § remarks on the sample paths
- § finite dim'l distributions of BM
- § translation and scaling invariance of BM
- § BM as a Gaussian process, inversion invariance
- § construction of BM on “canonical space”
- § Kolmogorov’s path-continuity criterion
- § Markov property
- § Blumenthal’s 0–1 law, two applications
- § hitting time of BM
- § strong Markov property
- § zero set and level sets
- § first passage time
- § reflection principle
- § non-differentiability of Brownian paths
- § quadratic variation of Brownian paths
- § $U(t) = B^2(t) - t$ is a martingale
- § $V(t) = \exp(\lambda B(t) - (1/2)\lambda^2 t)$ is a martingale
- § from RW to BM (Donsker’s invariance principle)
- § martingale CLT

III, Basic Itô Calculus, ,adapted from [2, Ch. 3 and Ch. 4]

- § Ito integral: first step
- § Ito isometry
- § Ito integral: next step
- § two basic examples
- § basic properties
- § Ito integral process: path continuity
- § Ito integral process: martingale property
- § Ito integral: final step
- § multi-dim'l Ito integral
- § Stratonovich integral
- § Ito process
- § Ito formula, how to operate $(dX)^2$
- § two basic examples
- § integration by parts formula
- § multi-dim'l case
- § $f(B_t)$
- § Bessel process
- § Ito representation theorem
- § martingale representation theorem
- § a dense lemma for $L(dP)$

§ exponential martingale

§ quadratic variation of Ito process

§ BM local time and Tanaka formula

IV. Stochastic Diffusion Equations (SDE) , adapted from [2, Ch. 5]

- § 1-dim'l SDE and geometric Brownian Motion
- § existence and uniqueness theorem for SDE solution, remind of ODE
- § proof of the uniqueness, based on and Gronwall inequality
- § proof of the existence, based on Picard's approximation
- § strong solution and weak solution, why we need weak solution
- § Tanaka equation
- § geometric Brownian Motion
- § Ornstein-Uhlenbeck equation (Langevin equation)
- § Brownian bridge
- § BM on the ellipse

V. Itô Diffusions, adapted from [2, Ch. 7 and Ch. 8]

- § (time-homogeneous) Ito diffusion
- § Markov property
- § strong Markov property
- § generator of Ito diffusion
- § basic example: generator for BM and space-time BM
- § Dynkin formula
- § Kolmogorov equation
- § semigroup of operators
- § resolvent operator
- § Feynman-Kac formula
- § martingale property of Ito diffusion
- § martingale problem
- § Ito process versus Ito diffusion
- § (random) time-change and the equivalence theorem
- § time-change of BM
- § Lévy characterization of BM
- § quadratic variation for multi-dim'l Ito process
- § absolute continuity and Random-Nykodym derivative, revisited
- § Girsanov Theorem (various version)
- § toward a beginning: Stochastic Finance (Itô Legacy)