

## Stoch. Anal. HW assignment 9. Due 2023 May 18, 11pm

Note: Each of the 4 questions is worth 10 marks. Write the solutions of different exercises on different pages.

1. Find  $(X_t)$  such that

$$dX_t = X_t dB_t + X_t dt + B_t dB_t, \quad X_0 = 1.$$

2. Let  $(u_t), (v_t)$  be left-continuous, adapted and almost surely bounded. Define

$$X_t := B_t + \int_0^t u_s ds, \quad M_t := \exp\left(\int_0^t v_s dB_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t v_s^2 ds\right), \quad Y_t := X_t M_t.$$

Given  $(u_t)$ , how to choose  $(v_t)$  if you want both  $(M_t)$  and  $(Y_t)$  to be martingales?

3. We say that  $(W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a Brownian motion for a filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$  if

- (i)  $(W_t)$  is a standard Brownian motion,
- (ii)  $(W_t)$  is adapted to  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  and
- (iii) for any  $0 \leq s \leq t$  the increment  $W_t - W_s$  is independent of  $\mathcal{F}_s$ .

Note that if  $(W_t)$  satisfies (i) and  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  is the natural filtration of  $(W_t)$  then (ii) and (iii) both hold. Also note that (i)&(ii)&(iii) together imply that  $(W_t)$  is a martingale with respect to  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ . Throughout this course we tacitly assumed that our Brownian motions and filtrations satisfy (ii)&(iii). The goal of this exercise is to construct an example for which (i)&(ii) hold, but (iii) does not hold.

Let  $(B_t)$  denote a standard Brownian motion and let  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$  denote its natural filtration. Let us define

$$W_0 := 0, \quad W_t := B_t - \int_0^t \frac{B_u}{u} du, \quad t > 0. \quad (1)$$

- (a) Show that the above integral „makes sense” by showing that  $\int_s^t \frac{B_u}{u} du$  converges in  $L_2$  as  $s \rightarrow 0_+$ .

*Hint:* Use integration by parts and Itô isometry (among other things).

- (b) Show that  $(W_t)$  is a standard Brownian motion.

*Hint:* Observe that  $(W_t)$  is a Gaussian process. . .

- (c) Show that  $(W_t)$  satisfies (ii) but not (iii).

*Hint:*  $(W_t)$  is an Itô process, but is it a martingale w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ ?

4. Let  $(X_t)$  be the solution of the SDE

$$dX_t = \alpha X_t dt + \sigma X_t^\beta dB_t, \quad X_0 = x_0,$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \sigma, x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) Compute  $\mathbb{E}(X_t)$ . *Hint:* Write the SDE in integral form and take the expectation.

- (b) Compute  $\text{Var}(X_t)$  when  $\beta = 1/2$ . *Hint:* Calculate  $dX_t^2$ , rewrite in integral form, take expectation.