

Brownian Motion and Stochastic Calculus Exercise Sheet 7

*Please hand in until Friday, May 6th, in your exercise group
and otherwise before 13:00, in HG E 66.1*

Exercise 7-1

Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Brownian motion. Show that

$$P\text{-a.s., for all } t \geq 0, \int_0^t X_s dX_s = \frac{1}{2}(X_t^2 - t).$$

Hint: Fix $t \geq 0$ and use a dyadic partition of $[0, t]$ to approximate X on $[0, t]$ by a sequence of piecewise constant processes.

Exercise 7-2

Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Brownian motion. Fix any $0 < T < \infty$ and let $f \in L^2([0, T])$ be a deterministic function. For any $0 \leq a < b \leq T$ we set

$$\mathcal{J}_{a,b} := \int_a^b f(s) dB_s.$$

a) Show that $\mathcal{J}_{a,b}$ is normally distributed with $E[\mathcal{J}_{a,b}] = 0$ and $\text{Var}(\mathcal{J}_{a,b}) = \int_a^b f^2(s) ds$.

Hint: Assume first that f is a step function and then use Series 2 Exercise 2.

b) Let $0 \leq a < b \leq c < d \leq T$. Show that the random vector $(\mathcal{J}_{a,b}, \mathcal{J}_{c,d})$ is a Gaussian vector and that the random variables $\mathcal{J}_{a,b}$ and $\mathcal{J}_{c,d}$ are independent.

Hint: Assume again first that f is a step function and then use Series 2 Exercise 2.

Exercise 7-3

Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Brownian motion. Fix any $0 < T < \infty$ and let $f \in L^2([0, T])$ be a deterministic function. For any $0 \leq a < b \leq T$ we set

$$\mathcal{J}_{a,b} := \int_a^b f(s) dB_s.$$

Moreover, for any $t \in [0, T]$, we denote $\mathcal{J}_t := \mathcal{J}_{0,t}$.

a) Show that the process $\mathcal{J} := (\mathcal{J}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ is a centered Gaussian process and calculate its covariance function.

b) Show that the process $(\mathcal{J}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ has the same law as the process $Y := (Y_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ defined by

$$Y_t := B \int_0^t f^2(s) ds.$$

Exercise sheets and further information are also available on:

<http://www.math.ethz.ch/education/bachelor/lectures/fs2016/math/bmsc>