

Stochastic Processes

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References in the slides

- ▶ **Material for research projects** ↪ Moodle

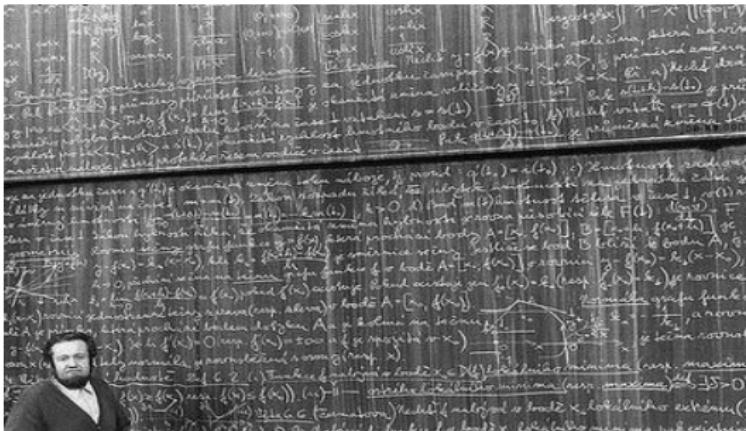
(Stochastic Processes and Applications) ⊃ variety of applications)

- ▶ **Important results**

⌚ **Assessment/Final exam** = LOGO =

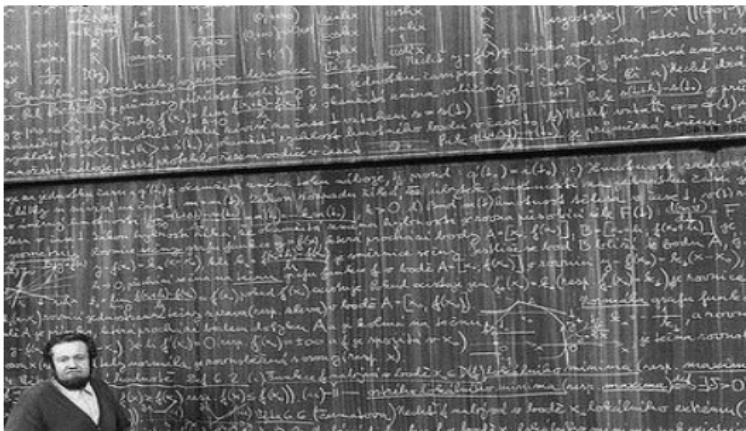


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Plan of the lecture



- ▶ Reminder + multi-dimensional Brownian motions
- ▶ Diffusion processes: 

 - ▶ Ito Calculus
 - ▶ Infinitesimal generators
 - ▶ Evolution semigroups
 - ▶ Fokker Planck equation

- ▶ Some applications:
 - ▶ Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processe 
 - ▶ Geometric Brownian motion 
 - ▶ Mathematical finance (Black-Scholes-Merton formula)

Reminder - Brownian motion W_t



Simple random walk model

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~ Only "3 simple ingredients":

$$(1) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} dW_t \times dW_t &= \underbrace{\epsilon_t^2 dt}_{\mathbb{E}(\dots)=1} = "dt" \\ dt \times dt &= 0 \\ dt \times dW_t &= dt \times \pm \sqrt{dt} = 0 \end{cases}$$

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~~ New ingredient:

$$(2) \Rightarrow \forall i, j \in \{1, 2\} \quad dW_t^{(i)} \times dW_t^{(j)} = \mathbf{1}_{i=j} dt$$

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[YouTube video]

2d- BM $W_t = (W_t^1, W_t^2)$



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2d - Ito-Doeblin formula

$$df(W_t) = L(f)(W_t) dt + \underbrace{dM_t(f)}$$

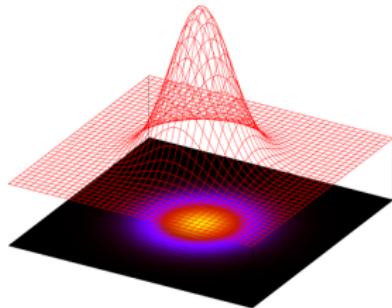
with

$$= dM_t^{(1)}(f) + dM_t^{(2)}(f)$$

$$L(f) = \Delta(f)$$

$$:= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_2^2} \quad \& \quad dM_t^{(i)}(f) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(W_t) dW_t^{(i)}$$

2d- BM & Heat eq.

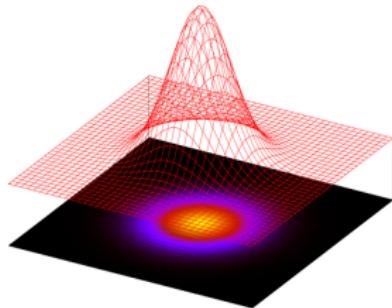


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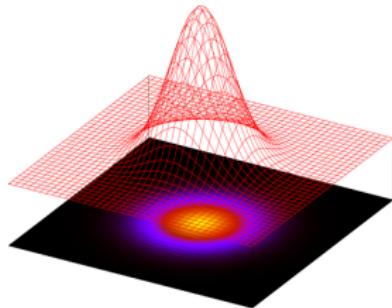


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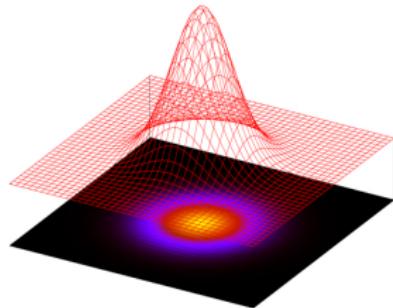


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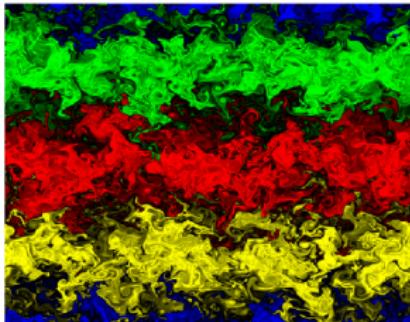
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2d - Heat equation

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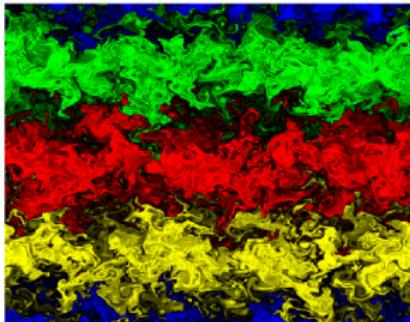
1d - diffusion processes



Simple Markov chain model on \mathbb{R} (b_t, σ_t smooth + bounded)

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One dimensional diffusion model

$$dX_t = b_t(X_t)dt + \sigma_t(X_t)dW_t$$

⊕ Randomness ⊕ information encapsulated in

$$\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(W_s : s \leq t) = \sigma(X_s, s \leq t) \quad \star\star$$

Ex.: Brownian fluid flow models



Fluid particle ($X_0 = 0$):

$$dX_t = [\textcolor{red}{v} + U'(X_t)] dt + \sqrt{2D} dW_t$$

- ▶ Fluid velocity flow v .
- ▶ Diffusion coefficient = D .
- ▶ Energy well = $U(x)$

Example $U(x) = k x^2/2$; k = spring constant

↔ Wolfram -[Brownian-Fluid-model-(v,D).cdf

⊕ Brownian-Motion-2D-TheFokker-Planck-Equation.cdf]



1d - diffusion processes - Ito formula !



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&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_t^2(\mathbf{X}_t) \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{x}^2}(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{X}_t) \right] dt + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X_t) \sigma_t(\mathbf{X}_t) dW_t}_{dM_t(f)} \\
&= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + L_t \right)(f)(t, X_t) dt + dM_t(f)
\end{aligned}$$

First key observation !



$$\begin{aligned} df(t, X_t) &= f(t + dt, X_t + dX_t) - f(t, X_t) \\ &= \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, X_t) + b_t(X_t) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X_t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_t^2(X_t) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, X_t) \right] dt + \underbrace{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X_t) \sigma_t(X_t) dW_t}_{\text{Martingale increment}} \end{aligned}$$

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Local description of the predictable increment

$$\mathbb{E}([f(t + dt, X_t + dX_t) - f(t, X_t)] \mid \mathcal{F}_t) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + L_t \right) (f)(t, X_t) dt$$

with the (infinitesimal) generator

$$L_t(f) = b_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

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$M_t(f)$ Martingale s.t.

$$M_t^2(f) = \langle \mathbf{M}(f) \rangle_t + \text{martingale}$$

with the angle bracket

$$\langle \mathbf{M}(f) \rangle_t = \int_0^t \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(s, X_s) \sigma_s(X_s) \right)^2 ds$$

Conclusion (cf. slide 29 - lecture slide 5)



Ito-Doeblin formula for 1d-diffusions:

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$$\begin{aligned} d\langle M(f) \rangle_t &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X_t) \sigma_t(X_t) \right)^2 dt \\ &:= \Gamma_{L_t}(f(t, .), f(t, .))(X_t) dt \quad (\text{exercise}) \end{aligned}$$

Generators and semigroups

Conditional expectations operators

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Taylor expansion of the semigroup

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Generators and semigroups

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Generators and semigroups



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- ▶ For any fixed t , and any given f_t , set $u_s(x) = P_{s,t}(f_t)(x)$ for $s \in [0, t]$

$$(4) \implies \forall s \in [0, t] \quad \frac{\partial u_s}{\partial s} + L_s(u_s) = 0 \quad \text{terminal condition} \quad u_t = f_t$$

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Generators and semigroups



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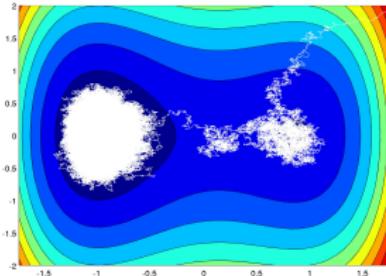
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Back to Ito-Doeblin formula for 1d-diffusions

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Evolution equations

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► Conclusion: ...

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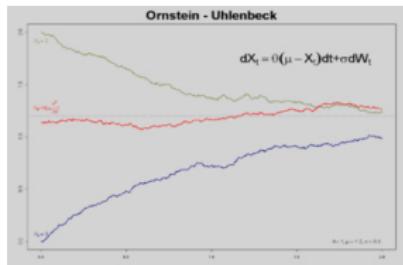
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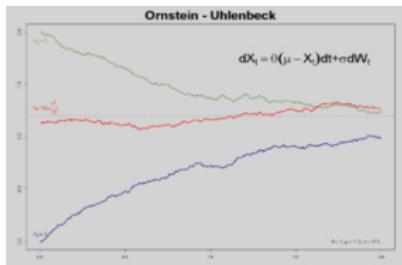
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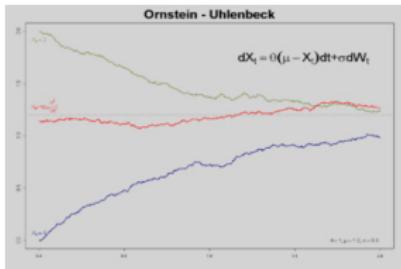
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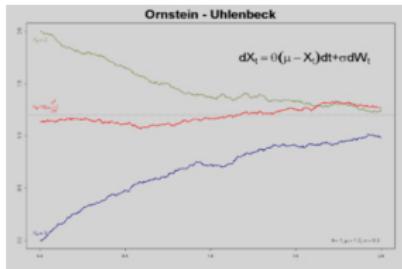
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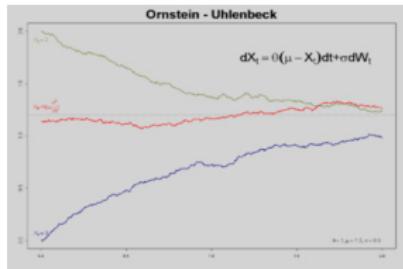
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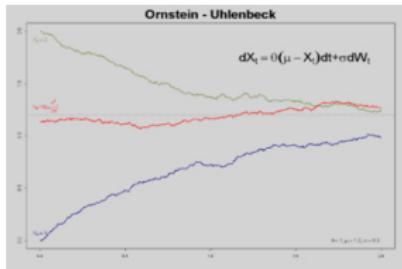
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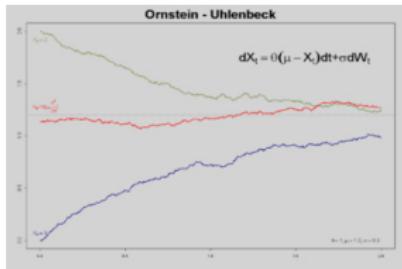
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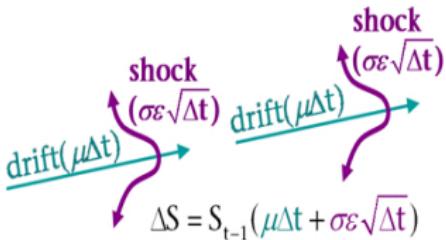
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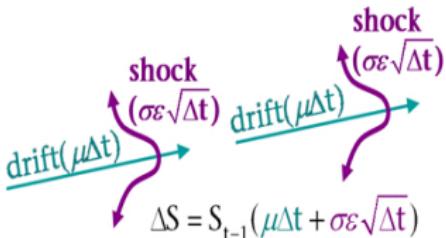
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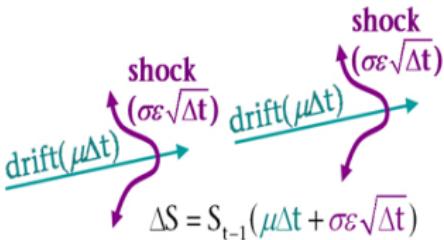
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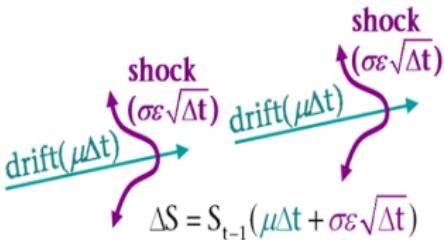
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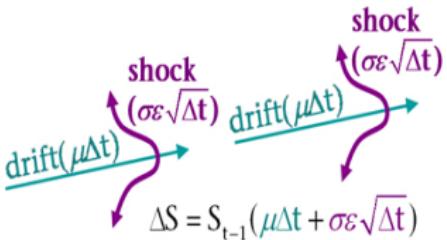
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An elementary case $b_t = 0$, $\sigma_t = \sigma$!

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using

$$-\frac{1}{2\tau^2} (v - m)^2 + v = -\frac{1}{2\tau^2} (v - (m + \tau^2))^2 + \left(m + \frac{\tau^2}{2}\right)$$

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Important observation:

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Martingale design 3/4



$$d\bar{S}_t = \sigma_t \bar{S}_t dW_t$$

⇓ cf. slide 14

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The Black -Scholes -Merton formula 4/4



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