

V4F1 Stochastic Analysis – Problem Sheet 0

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Discuss the proof of these statements.

Lemma 1. Let $\kappa: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ be a continuous non-decreasing function such that $\kappa(0) = 0$ and

$$\int_{0+} \frac{d\xi}{\kappa(\xi)} = +\infty,$$

Moreover let $\phi: [0, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be a continuous function such that

$$\phi(x) \leq \int_0^x \kappa(\phi(y)) dy, \quad x \in [0, a].$$

Then $\phi(x) = 0$ for all $x \in [0, a]$.

Theorem 2. (Yamada–Watanabe) Pathwise uniqueness holds for the one dimensional SDE

$$dX_t = b(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t, \quad X_0 = x \in \mathbb{R},$$

provided there exists a positive increasing function $\rho: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and a positive, increasing and concave function $\kappa: \mathbb{R}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ such that

$$|b(x) - b(y)| \leq \kappa(|x - y|), \quad |\sigma(x) - \sigma(y)| \leq \rho(|x - y|),$$

and

$$\int_{0+} \frac{d\xi}{\kappa(\xi)} = +\infty = \int_{0+} \frac{d\xi}{\rho^2(\xi)}.$$

(Note that this implies that path-wise uniqueness in one dimensions holds if b is Lipschitz and σ Hölder continuous of index $1/2$).

Lemma 3. If $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a m -dimensional Brownian motion adapted to a filtration $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ then $B_t - B_s$ is independent of \mathcal{F}_s .

(Note that $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is not necessarily the filtration generated by $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$, but only contains it)

Lemma 4. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}, X, B)$ a weak solution of an SDE in \mathbb{R}^n driven by an m -dimensional Brownian motion B . Let \mathbb{Q}_ω be the regular conditional distribution of (X, B) given \mathcal{F}_0 where we consider (X, B) as a random variable in $\mathcal{C}^{n+m} = C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m)$. Call (Y, Z) the canonical process on \mathcal{C}^{n+m} with the understanding that Y is \mathbb{R}^n -valued and Z is \mathbb{R}^m -valued. Let $(\mathcal{H}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be the canonical filtration on \mathcal{C}^{n+m} and $\mathcal{H} = \sigma(\mathcal{H}_t; t \geq 0)$ then for \mathbb{P} -almost all $\omega \in \Omega$ the data $(\mathcal{C}^{n+m}, \mathcal{H}, \mathbb{Q}_\omega, (\mathcal{H}_t)_{t \geq 0}, Y, Z)$ is a weak solution to the same SDE.