

MATH180C: Introduction to Stochastic Processes II

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Today: Brownian motion

Next: PK 8.3- 8.4

Week 10:

- homework 8 (due Friday, June 9)

Reflected BM

Def. Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a standard BM. The stochastic

process

$$R_t := |B_t| = \begin{cases} B_t, & \text{if } B(t) \geq 0 \\ -B_t, & \text{if } B(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

is called reflected BM.

Think of a movement in the vicinity of a boundary.

Moments: $E(R_t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |x| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} dx = 2 \int_0^{\infty} x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} dx = \sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}}$

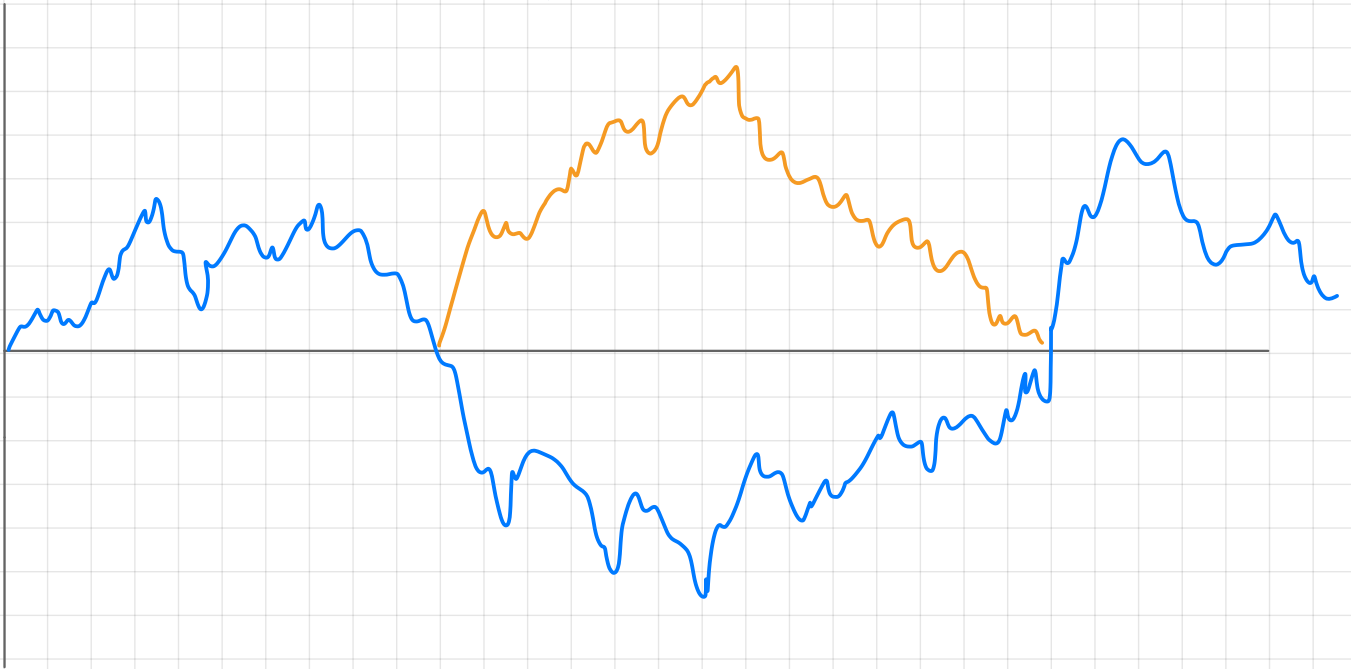
$$\text{Var}(R_t) = E(B_t^2) - (E(|B_t|))^2 = t - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2t}{\pi}}\right)^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\right)t$$

Transition density: $P(R_t \leq y \mid R_0 = x) = P(-y \leq B_t \leq y \mid B_0 = x)$

$$= \Rightarrow p_t(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \left(e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2t}} + e^{-\frac{(x+y)^2}{2t}} \right)$$

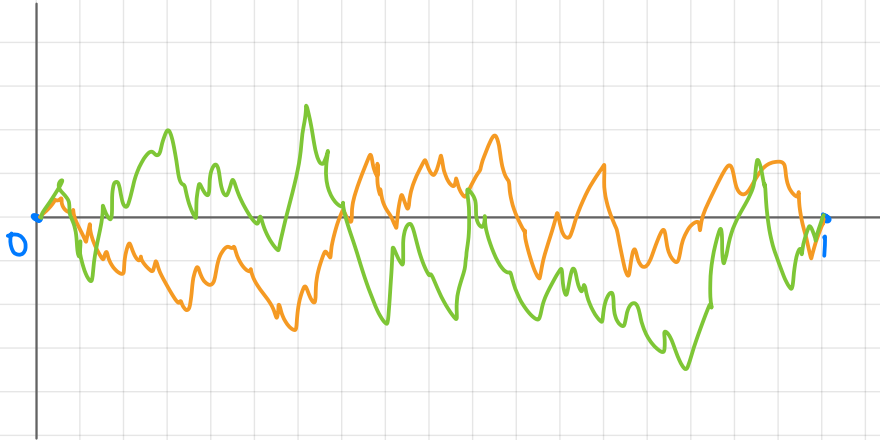
Thm (Lévy) Let $M_t = \max_{0 \leq u \leq t} B_u$. Then $(M_t - B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a reflected BM.

Reflected BM



Brownian bridge

Brownian bridge is constructed from a BM by conditioning on the event $\{B(0)=0, B(1)=0\}$.



Thm 1. Brownian bridge is a continuous Gaussian process on $[0,1]$ with mean 0 and covariance function $\Gamma(s,t) =$

Brownian motion with drift

Def Let $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a standard BM. Then for $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma > 0$ the process $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ with $X_t =$, $t \geq 0$ is called the Brownian motion with drift μ and variance parameter σ^2 .

Remark BM with drift μ and variance parameter σ is a stochastic process $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ satisfying

- 1) $X_0 = 0$, $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ has continuous sample paths
- 2) $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ has independent increments
- 3) For $t > s$ $X_t - X_s \sim$

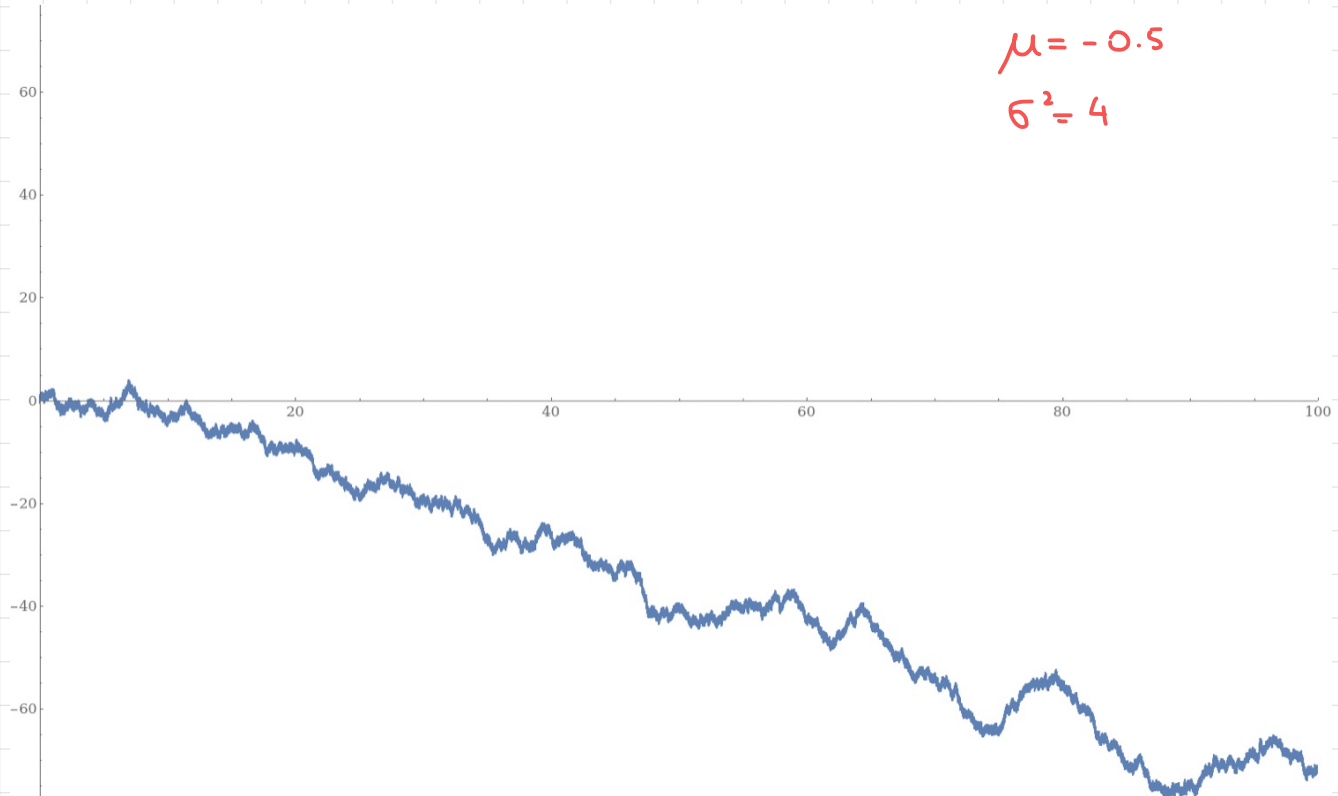
In particular, $X_t \sim$

$\Rightarrow X_t$ is not centered, not symmetric w.r.t. the origin

Brownian motion with drift

$$\mu = -0.5$$

$$\sigma^2 = 4$$



Gambler's ruin problem for BM with drift

Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a BM with drift $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and variance parameter $\sigma^2 > 0$. Fix $a < x < b$ and denote

$$T = T_{ab} = \min \{ t \geq 0 : X_t = a \text{ or } X_t = b \}, \text{ and}$$

$$u(x) = P(X_T = b \mid X_0 = x).$$

Theorem.

(i) $u(x) =$

(ii) $E(T_{ab} \mid X_0 = x) =$

No proof

Example

Fluctuations of the price of a certain share is modeled by the BM with drift $\mu = 1/10$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 4$. You buy a share at 100\$ and plan to sell it if its price increases to 110\$ or drops to 95\$.

- (a) What is the probability that you will sell at profit?
(b) What is the expected time until you sell the share?

Denote by $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ a BM with drift $\frac{1}{10}$ and variance 4,
 $x =$, $b =$, $a =$. Then $2\mu/\sigma^2 =$ and

(a) $P(X_T = 110 | X_0 = 100) =$

(b) $E(T | X_0 = 100) =$

Maximum of a BM with negative drift

Thm Let $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a BM with drift $\mu < 0$, variance σ^2 and $X_0 = 0$. Denote $M = \max_{t \geq 0} X_t$. Then

Proof. $X_0 = 0$, therefore $M \geq 0$. For any $b > 0$

$$P(M > b) =$$

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$$P(M > b) =$$

Geometric BM

Def. Stochastic process $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is called a geometric Brownian motion with drift parameter d and variance σ^2 if $X_t = \frac{Z_t - Z_0}{Z_0}$ is a BM with drift $\mu = d - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ and variance σ^2 .

In other words, $Z_t = z_0 e^{(d - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t + \sigma B_t}$, where $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a standard BM and $z > 0$ is the starting point $Z_0 = z$.

If $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$, then $\frac{Z_{t_i}}{Z_{t_{i-1}}}$

Since B has independent increments

$\frac{Z_{t_1}}{Z_{t_0}}, \frac{Z_{t_2}}{Z_{t_1}}, \dots, \frac{Z_{t_n}}{Z_{t_{n-1}}}$ are independent and

$$\frac{Z_{t_n}}{Z_{t_0}} =$$

← "relative change of price = product of independent relative changes"

Expectation of Geometric BM

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ .

Then

$$E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) =$$

$$E(e^{\sigma B_t}) =$$

$$\Rightarrow E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z e^{(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)t} e^{t \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} =$$

Remark

It can be shown that for $0 < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ $Z_t \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

At the same time, for $\alpha > 0$ $E(Z_t) \rightarrow \infty$.

Variance of geometric BM

$$E(Z_t^2 | Z_0 = z) =$$

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$$\text{Var}(Z_t | Z_0 = z) =$$

Theorem

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ^2 .

Then

$$(i) E(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z e^{\alpha t}$$

$$(ii) \text{Var}(Z_t | Z_0 = z) = z^2 e^{2\alpha t} (e^{\sigma^2 t} - 1)$$

Gambler's ruin for geometric BM

Let $(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be geometric BM with parameters α and σ^2 .

Let $A < 1 < B$, and denote $T = \min \{ t : \frac{Z_t}{Z_0} = A \text{ or } \frac{Z_t}{Z_0} = B \}$.

Theorem

$$P\left(\frac{Z_T}{Z_0} = B\right) =$$

Example Fluctuations of the price are modeled by a geometric BM with drift $\alpha = 0.1$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 4$. You buy a share at 100\$ and plan to sell it if its price increases to 110\$ or drops to 95\$.

Take $A =$, $B =$, $2\alpha/\sigma^2 =$, $1 - 2\alpha/\sigma^2 =$

$$P(X_T = 110 | X_0 = 100) =$$