



## Stochastische Differentialgleichungen

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### Homework 9

**Problem 1.** Fix  $T > 0$ , a filtered probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , and consider the  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued process  $\mathbf{X} = \{\mathbf{X}_t; 0 \leq t \leq T\}$  on it. Assume that there exist numbers  $\alpha, \beta, C > 0$ , such that

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{X}_t - \mathbf{X}_s\|_{\mathbb{R}^d}^\alpha] \leq C|t - s|^{1+\beta} \quad \forall s, t \in [0, T]. \quad (1)$$

Show that there exists a Hölder continuous modification  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}$  of  $\mathbf{X}$  with exponent  $\gamma \in [0, \frac{\beta}{\alpha})$ .

**Remark & Hint: 1.** This is **Kolmogorov's continuity theorem**, which we e.g. applied before for  $\mathbf{W}$ .  
**2.** For its proof, apply **Borel-Carelli lemma**, after estimating

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\max_{1 \leq j \leq 2^J} \|\mathbf{X}_{t_j} - \mathbf{X}_{t_{j-1}}\|_{\mathbb{R}^d} \geq 2^{-\gamma J}\right] \quad \text{along/on a mesh} \quad \mathcal{I}_k = \{t_j\}_{j=0}^{2^J}$$

with the help of Tschebycheff's inequality, and (1).

**Problem 2.** Fix  $T > 0$ , and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . In the lecture, we associated the family of maps  $\Psi := \{\Psi_{s,t}; 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T\}$  to the strong solution  $\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{x}} \equiv \{\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}}; 0 \leq t \leq T\}$  of the SDE

$$d\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}})dt + \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}})d\mathbf{W}_t \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \quad \mathbf{X}_0^{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}, \quad (2)$$

where data  $(\mathbf{b}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  are Lipschitz, and of (sub-)linear asymptotic growth. Show that  $\Psi$  is a **Brownian flow**.

**Problem 3.** Fix  $T > 0$ , and  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . In the lecture, we associated the  $\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ -valued **1st variation process**  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \{\mathbf{J}_t(\mathbf{x}); 0 \leq t \leq T\}$  to  $\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{x}}$  from **SDE (2)**. Verify the related theorem in the lecture which asserts that  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})$  solves the linear SDE

$$\mathbf{J}_t(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{R}^d} + \int_0^t \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{X}_s^{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{J}_s(\mathbf{x}) ds + \sum_{\ell=1}^d \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell(\mathbf{X}_s^{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{J}_s(\mathbf{x}) dW_s^\ell \quad \forall t \in [0, T]. \quad (3)$$

**Remark & Hint: 1.** Instead of (3), we may consider the following SDE

$$d\boldsymbol{\eta}_t^{\mathbf{h}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}}) \boldsymbol{\eta}_t^{\mathbf{h}} dt + \sum_{\ell=1}^d \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\ell(\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}}) \boldsymbol{\eta}_t^{\mathbf{h}} dW_t^\ell \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \quad \boldsymbol{\eta}_0^{\mathbf{h}} \equiv \boldsymbol{\eta}_0^{\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{h}, \quad (4)$$

for arbitrary  $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

2. Now verify ( $p \geq 1$ )

$$\left( \mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|\mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{h}} - \mathbf{X}_t^{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\eta}_t^{\mathbf{h}}\|_{\mathbb{R}^d}^p \right] \right)^{1/p} \leq C_p \|\mathbf{h}\|_{\mathbb{R}^d}^2 \quad \forall \mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

Now use **BDG-inequality**, and **mean-value theorem** to show this estimate, and then conclude from it that indeed  $\mathbf{J}_t(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \Psi_{0,t}(\mathbf{x})$ .

**Problem 4.** Consider the following equation on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  ( $d \geq 1$ ):

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \Delta u(t, \mathbf{x}), \\ u(0, \mathbf{x}) &= f(\mathbf{x}), \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded measurable function. Then we have the well-known Feynman-Kac formula for the solution of the above equation

$$u(t, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E} [f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{W}_t)],$$

where  $\mathbf{W}$  is an  $\mathbb{R}^d$ -valued Wiener process on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}_{k^J} = \{t_j^J\}_{j=0}^J \subset [0, 1]$  be an equi-distant mesh of size  $k^J$ .

- (i) Let  $d = 1$  and  $f(x) = \sin(\pi x)$ . Consider points  $x_1 = -10, x_2 = -8, x_3 = -6, \dots, x_{10} = 8, x_{11} = 10$ , and fix  $J = 100$  and  $M = 3000$ . For each  $j = 0, \dots, J$ , compute

$$u(t_j^J, x_i) \approx \mathbb{E}_M \left[ f \left( x_i + \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \Delta_j^J W \right) \right] \quad (i = 1, \dots, 10),$$

with Wiener increments  $\Delta_j^J W := W_{t_{j+1}^J} - W_{t_j^J} \sim \sqrt{k^J} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ .

- (ii) Let  $d = 4$ . For  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , take  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{\ell=1}^4 \sin(\pi x_\ell)$ , where

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)^\top \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = (0, 1, 0, 0)^\top \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0)^\top \quad \mathbf{x}_4 = (0, 0, 0, 1)^\top.$$

Fix  $J = 100$  and  $M = 3000$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , plot the temporal evolution

$$j \mapsto u(t_j^J, \mathbf{x}_i) \approx \mathbb{E}_M \left[ f \left( \mathbf{x}_i + \sum_{\ell=0}^{J-1} \Delta_\ell^J \mathbf{W} \right) \right].$$

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