

## TMS165/MSA350 Stochastic Calculus

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AIDS: All aids are permitted. (See the Canvas course “Omtentamen 2 Modul: 0104, TMS165 / MSA350” with instructions for this exam for clarifications.)

GRADES: 12 points (40%) for grades 3 and G, 18 points (60%) for grade 4, 21 points (70%) for grade VG and 24 points (80%) for grade 5, respectively.

MOTIVATIONS: All answers/solutions must be motivated. GOOD LUCK!

Throughout this exam  $B = \{B(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  denotes a Brownian motion.

**Task 1.** Find  $\mathbf{E}\{X|\mathcal{G}\}$  when  $X$  is a standard normal distributed random variable and  $\mathcal{G} = \{\emptyset, \{X \geq 0\}, \{X < 0\}, \Omega\}$ . (5 points)

**Task 2.** Is  $\{\int_0^t e^{B(s)^2} dB(s)\}_{t \geq 0}$  a martingale? (5 points)

**Task 3.** Find the quadratic variation process of the Itô process  $\{B(t) \int_0^t B(s) dB(s)\}_{t \geq 0}$ . (5 points)

**Task 4.** Solve the SDE  $dY(t) = 3Y(t)^{1/3} dt + 3Y(t)^{2/3} dB(t)$  for  $t \geq 0$  where  $Y(t)^\rho = |Y(t)|^\rho \text{sign}(Y(t))$ . (5 points)

**Task 5.** Can a standard normal random variable be made a unit mean Poisson distributed random variable by means of change of probability measure? (5 points)

**Task 6.** Which SDE is the scheme  $X_{n+1} = X_n - X_{n+1}(t_{n+1} - t_n) + (B(t_{n+1}) - B(t_n))$  for  $n = 0, \dots, N-1$ ,  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = T$ , an approximative numerical solution of? (5 points)

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### Solutions to Written Exam 20 August 2021

**Task 1.**  $\mathbf{E}\{X|\mathcal{G}\} = 2 \int_0^\infty x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} dx$  for  $\omega \in \{X \geq 0\}$  and  $\mathbf{E}\{X|\mathcal{G}\} = 2 \int_{-\infty}^0 x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \times e^{-x^2/2} dx$  for  $\omega \in \{X < 0\}$  as that is easily seen to fit with the defining requirement that  $\mathbf{E}\{X|\mathcal{G}\}$  shall be  $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable with  $\mathbf{E}\{\mathbf{E}\{X|\mathcal{G}\}\mathbf{1}_B\} = \mathbf{E}\{X\mathbf{1}_B\}$  for  $B \in \mathcal{G}$ .

**Task 2.** As  $\{e^{B(t)^2}\}_{t \in [0, T]}$  is not in  $E_T$  for  $T$  large enough this question cannot be answered by what we have learnt.

**Task 3.**  $\int_0^t ((\int_0^s B dB) dB(s) + B(s)^2 dB(s) + B(s) dB(s)^2)^2 = \int_0^t ((\int_0^s B dB)^2 + 2(\int_0^s B dB)B(s)^2 + B(s)^4) ds$ .

**Task 4.**  $X(t) = Y(t)^{1/3}$  gives  $dX(t) = \dots = dB(t)$  so that  $X(t) = B(t) + X(0)$  and  $Y(t) = (B(t) + Y(0)^{1/3})^3$ .

**Task 5.** No because a normal probability measure is singular wrt. a Poisson probability measure.

**Task 6.** Since  $[X(t), t](t) = 0$  the scheme solves the same SDE as the scheme  $X_{n+1} = X_n - X_n(t_{n+1} - t_n) + (B(t_{n+1}) - B(t_n))$  which in turn is the Euler scheme for the Langevin SDE  $dX(t) = -X(t) dt + dB(t)$  for  $t \in [0, T]$ .