

Lecture 3: The Ito Stochastic Integral. Semimartingales.

- ✓ Stochastic integral for simple predictable integrands
- ✓ Martingale-preserving property
- ✓ Isometry formula
- ✓ Semi-martingales : definition
- ✓ Examples of semimartingales

Simple predictable processes

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \mathbf{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0})$ filtered probability space

• $H = (H_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a simple predictable process on $[0, T]$ if

$$\exists n \geq 1 \quad H = \phi_0 \mathbb{1}_{[0]}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \phi_i \mathbb{1}_{(\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}]}(t) \quad \text{where}$$

(i) $0 \leq \tau_1 \leq \tau_2 \leq \dots \leq \tau_n = T$ are finite stopping times

(ii) For $i = 1, \dots, n$, ϕ_i is \mathcal{F}_{τ_i} -measurable (z revealed at τ_i)
finite : $\mathbb{P}(\phi_i < \infty) = 1$

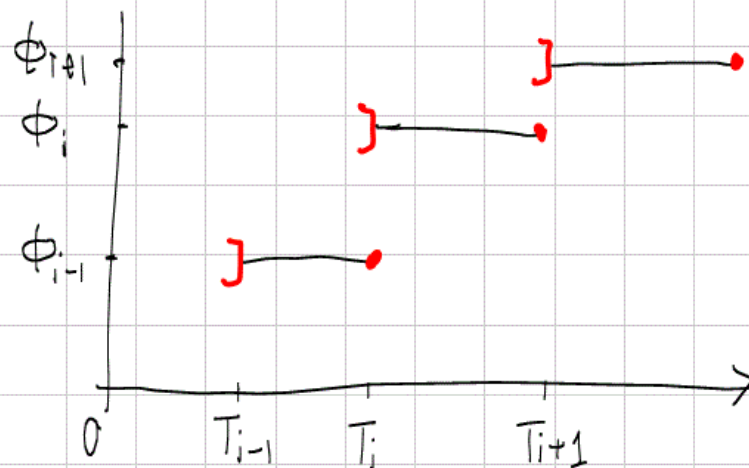
✓ This definition depends on

- the filtration \mathbf{F} through the measurability conditions
- the probability measure \mathbb{P} through the finiteness conditions

Simple predictable processes

✓ Property: $t \mapsto H_t(\omega)$ is
left-continuous (caglad)

$S([0, T], \mathcal{F})$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{set of all simple} \\ \text{predictable processes} \\ \text{on } [0, T] \end{array} \right.$



• If $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a smaller filtration $\mathcal{G}_t \subset \mathcal{F}_t \quad \forall t \geq 0$

then $S([0, T], \mathcal{G}) \subset S([0, T], \mathcal{F})$

• $S([0, T], \mathcal{F})$ only depends on \mathbb{P} through its null sets:

if \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q} are **equivalent** in the sense $\forall A \in \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}(A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Q}(A) = 0$
then \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q} define the same set of simple predictable processes.

Stochastic integral for a simple predictable process

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0})$ filtered probability space. For a simple predictable process $H = H_0 1_{[0]}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \phi_i 1_{(\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}]}(t) \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathbb{F})$ and a non-anticipative process X , define

$$\int_0^T H dX = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \phi_i (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) \quad \text{Random variable}$$

More generally one can define the process $I_X(H) = \left(\int_0^t H dX \right)_{t \geq 0}$ as

$$\int_0^t H dX = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{\tau_i} \cdot (X_{\tau_{i+1} \wedge t} - X_{\tau_i \wedge t}) \quad \text{Stochastic integral of } H \text{ with respect to } X$$

Stochastic integral for simple predictable processes

Properties: For any non-anticipative cadlag process X , and any $H, H_1, H_2 \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathcal{F})$,

i) $I_X(H) = \left(\int_0^t H dX \right)_{t \geq 0}$ is a **cadlag**, non-anticipative process.

ii)
$$\int_0^t (\lambda H_1 + H_2) dX = \lambda \int_0^t H_1 dX + \int_0^t H_2 dX$$

iii) Behavior under stopping: if τ is a stopping time then

$$\int_0^{t \wedge \tau} H \cdot dX = \int_0^t H \cdot dX^\tau = \int_0^t (H \mathbb{1}_{[0, \tau]}) \cdot dX$$

where $X_t^\tau = X_{t \wedge \tau}$ is the process X stopped at τ .

Stochastic integral for simple predictable processes

Martingale-preserving property: If X is a martingale then for any $H \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathcal{F})$, $G_t(H) = \int_0^t H dX$ is a martingale

Proof: $H = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_i 1_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}$ with H_i \mathcal{F}_{T_i} -measurable, $T_1 \leq T_2 \leq \dots \leq T_n = T$

$$G_t(H) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_i (X_{T_{i+1} \wedge t} - X_{T_i \wedge t})$$

For $t > T$, $G_t(H) = G_T(H) + H_T (X_t - X_T)$

so $E[G_t(H) | \mathcal{F}_T] = G_T(H) + H_T E[X_t - X_T | \mathcal{F}_T] = G_T(H)$

so it is enough to show that for $t \leq T$, $E[G_T | \mathcal{F}_t] = G_t$

$\forall t \leq T, \{t < \tau_i\}, \{t > \tau_{i+1}\}, \{t \in (\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}]\}$ are \mathcal{F}_t -measurable

$$E[G_T | \mathcal{F}_t] = E\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) | \mathcal{F}_t\right]. \text{ Each term is decomposable as}$$

$$\underbrace{E[H_i (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) \mathbb{1}_{t > \tau_{i+1}} | \mathcal{F}_t]}_{= H_i (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) \mathbb{1}_{t > \tau_{i+1}}} + E[H_i (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) \mathbb{1}_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}^{(t)} | \mathcal{F}_t] + \underbrace{E[\mathbb{1}_{[0, T_i]}^{(t)} H_i (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) | \mathcal{F}_t]}_{= 0 \text{ by Doob's Optional Sampling Thm}}$$

$$\checkmark E[\mathbb{1}_{[0, T_i]}^{(t)} H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) | \mathcal{F}_t] = E[\mathbb{1}_{[0, T_i]}^{(t)} H_{\tau_i} E[X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i} | \mathcal{F}_{\tau_i}] | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

$$\checkmark E[H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) \mathbb{1}_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}^{(t)} | \mathcal{F}_t] = H_{\tau_i} \mathbb{1}_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}^{(t)} E[X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i} | \mathcal{F}_t]$$

$$= H_{\tau_i} \mathbb{1}_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}^{(t)} (X_t - X_{\tau_i}) = \mathbb{1}_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]} H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1} \wedge t} - X_{\tau_i \wedge t})$$

so summing the 3 terms: $E[H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1}} - X_{\tau_i}) | \mathcal{F}_t] = H_{\tau_i} (X_{\tau_{i+1} \wedge t} - X_{\tau_i \wedge t})$

Furthermore: if $M \in \mathcal{M}^2$ is a **square-integrable martingale**

$\forall H \in \mathcal{S}([0, T])$,

• $\left(\int_0^t H dM \right)_{t \geq 0}$ is a square-integrable martingale

$\int_0^\cdot H dM \in \mathcal{M}_2$, and

$$\left\| \int_0^\cdot H dM \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_2}^2 = E \left| \int_0^\infty H dM \right|^2 = \sum_{k \geq 0} E \left[H_k^2 (M_{T_{k+1}}^2 - M_{T_k}^2) \right] \leq \|H\|_\infty^2 \|M\|_{\mathcal{M}_2}^2$$

So: the stochastic integral preserves \mathcal{M}_2

and $M \longrightarrow \int H dM$ is continuous on \mathcal{M}_2

Remark: if $H \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathbb{F})$
 X martingale

then
 $Z_t = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_{i+1}} (X_{T_{i+1} \wedge t} - X_{T_i \wedge t})$ is not a martingale
in general.

In the definition of simple predictable integrands it is in fact crucial to require **left-continuity**

and not right-continuity which would give

$$H = \sum \phi_i \mathbb{1}_{(\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}]}$$

$$\sum \phi_i \mathbb{1}_{[\tau_i, \tau_{i+1})}$$

Fundamental example: $X_t = N_t - \lambda t$ where N is a Poisson process with intensity λ

$\tau_1 = \inf \{t > 0, N_t \geq 1\}$ is a stopping time. $N_0 = 0$

$$\begin{cases} H = \mathbb{1}_{(\tau_1, T]} \in S([0, T]) & \text{and } \int_0^t H dX = (X_t - X_{\tau_1}) \mathbb{1}_{t \geq \tau_1} \\ C = \mathbb{1}_{[\tau_1, T]} \notin S([0, T]) & \int_0^t C dX = (1 + X_t - X_{\tau_1}) \mathbb{1}_{t \geq \tau_1} \end{cases}$$

$E\left(\int_0^t C dX\right) = E(\mathbb{1}_{t \geq \tau_1}) = P(\tau_1 \leq t) > 0$ so $\left(\int_0^t C dX\right)_{t \geq 0}$ is **not a martingale**

So for any $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0}$ -adapted process X
we have defined

$$I_X : S([0, T], \mathbb{F}) \longrightarrow \text{Adapted cadlag processes}$$
$$H \longrightarrow \int_0^\cdot H dX$$

$$X \in \mathcal{M} \quad \text{then} \quad I_X(S([0, T], \mathbb{F})) \subset \mathcal{M}$$

$$X \in \mathcal{M}_2 \quad \text{then} \quad I_X(S([0, T], \mathbb{F})) \subset \mathcal{M}_2$$

Semi-martingales

A $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{cadlag} \\ \text{non-anticipative} \end{array} \right.$ process X is called a **semimartingale** if \checkmark for each $T > 0$

\checkmark for any sequence $(H^n)_{n \geq 1}$ in $S([0, T], \mathbb{F})$ of simple predictable processes

$$\left(\sup_{(t, \omega) \in [0, T] \times \Omega} |H_t^n(\omega) - H_t(\omega)| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \right) \Rightarrow \left(\int_0^T H^n \cdot dX \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbb{P}} \int_0^T H \cdot dX \right)$$

Uniform convergence on $[0, T] \times \Omega$
of H^n

Convergence in probability
of $\int_0^T H^n \cdot dX$

\checkmark By linearity: enough to check for $H_t = 0$

\checkmark Enough to check for $H^n \in S$ bounded, $\sup |H_t^n| \rightarrow 0$

Semi-martingales as 'good' integrators

or in other words:

X is a semimartingale if: $\forall T > 0$

the stochastic integral of simple processes with respect to X

topology of uniform
convergence
on $[0, T] \times \Omega$

$(S([0, T], \mathbb{F}), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$

H

topology of convergence in
probability

$(L_0(\Omega, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P}), d_P)$

$\int_0^T H dX$

is continuous

Semi-martingales : examples

✓ **Theorem** : Any non-anticipative cadlag process with paths of finite variation is a semimartingale.

Proof: for any $H \in S([0, T], \mathbb{F})$,

$$\left| \int_0^T H dX \right| = \left| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_i} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) \right| \leq \sup_i |H_{T_i}| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}|$$

$$\leq \underbrace{\sup_{[0, T] \times \Omega} |H_t(\omega)|}_{\|H\|_\infty} \cdot V_X([0, T]) \xrightarrow{\|H\|_\infty \rightarrow 0} 0$$

So if $H^n \in S([0, T], \mathbb{F})$ with $\|H^n\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$ then $\left| \int_0^T H^n dX \right| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ a.s.

• When X has finite variation and

$$\sup_{(t, \omega) \in [0, T] \times \Omega} |H^n(t, \omega) - H(t, \omega)| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

✓ $\int_0^T H dX$ is well defined as pathwise Riemann-Stieltjes integral

✓ $\int_0^T H^n dX$ are Riemann sums approximating $\int_0^T H dX$

and $\int_0^T H^n dX \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^T H dX$ is in fact **pathwise**
(holds IP-a.s.)

- Example: counting processes

Let $(T_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of stopping times with $T_0 = 0$.

The integer-valued process $N_t = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{1}_{t \geq T_n}$ is called a 'counting process':
it counts how many events occurred during $[0, t]$

If $\sup_{n \geq 0} T_n = \infty$ a.s. N is said to be non-explosive

A non-explosive counting process is a semimartingale.
it is cadlag, adapted and increasing (thus, of bounded variation).

Semi-martingales : examples

Theorem A cadlag square-integrable martingale is a semimartingale

Proof : For $H \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathbb{F})$
$$E\left(\int_0^T H dX\right)^2 = E\left[\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_i} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i})\right)^2\right]$$
$$= \sum_{i=0} E[H_{T_i}^2 (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i})^2] + 2 \sum_{i>j} E[H_{T_i} H_{T_j} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) (X_{T_{j+1}} - X_{T_j})]$$

For $i > j$, $T_i > T_j$ a.s. so H_{T_j} , H_{T_i} and $X_{T_{j+1}} - X_{T_j}$ are \mathcal{F}_{T_i} measurable, so

$$E[H_{T_i} H_{T_j} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) (X_{T_{j+1}} - X_{T_j})] = E\left[E[H_{T_i} H_{T_j} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) (X_{T_{j+1}} - X_{T_j}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{T_i}]\right]$$

$$= E\left[H_{T_i} H_{T_j} (X_{T_{j+1}} - X_{T_j}) E[(X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) \mid \mathcal{F}_{T_i}]\right] = 0 \quad \text{since}$$

$E[X_{T_{i+1}} \mid \mathcal{F}_{T_i}] = X_{T_i}$ by Doob's optional sampling theorem since T_i may be assumed bounded w.l.o.g.

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^T H dX \right)^2 \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_i}^2 (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i})^2 \right]$$

$$\leq \sup_{[0, T] \times \Omega} |H_t(\omega)|^2 \cdot \mathbb{E} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i})^2 = \|H\|_\infty^2 \mathbb{E} (X_T - X_0)^2$$

since

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i})^2 \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (X_{T_{i+1}} - X_{T_i}) \right)^2 \right] \quad (\text{using the above result for } H=1)$$

$$= \mathbb{E} (X_{T_n} - X_0)^2$$

so :

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^T H dX \right)^2 \right] \leq \|H\|_\infty^2 \mathbb{E} (X_T - X_0)^2 \xrightarrow{\|H\|_\infty \rightarrow 0} 0$$

L^2 -convergence \Rightarrow conv in probability so $\int_0^T H dX \xrightarrow[\|H\|_\infty \rightarrow 0]{P} 0$

Brownian motion: L^2 isometry formula

The above result implies that a Brownian motion is a semimartingale and

$$\forall H \in S([0, T], \mathbb{F}), \quad E\left[\left(\int_0^T H dW\right)^2\right] = E\left[\int_0^T H_t^2 dt\right]$$

Proof: As shown in the previous proof, if $H = H_0 1_{[0, t]} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_i} 1_{(T_i, T_{i+1}]}$,

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(\int_0^T H dW\right)^2 &= E\left[\sum_0^{n-1} H_{T_i}^2 (W_{T_{i+1}} - W_{T_i})^2\right] \quad \text{Conditioning on } \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_{T_i}, \text{ we get} \\ \sum_0^{n-1} E\left[E\left[H_{T_i}^2 (W_{T_{i+1}} - W_{T_i})^2 \mid \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_{T_i}\right]\right] &= \sum_0^{n-1} E\left[H_{T_i}^2 \underbrace{E\left[(W_{T_{i+1}} - W_{T_i})^2 \mid \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_{T_i}\right]}_{= T_{i+1} - T_i}\right] \\ &= E\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} H_{T_i}^2 (T_{i+1} - T_i)\right] = E\left[\int_0^T H_t^2 dt\right] \end{aligned}$$

Localization

We say that a process X verifies 'locally' a property (P) if there exists an increasing sequence $0 \leq T_1 \leq T_2 \leq \dots \leq T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$ of stopping times with $T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$ a.s. such that for each $n \geq 1$, $X_{\cdot}^{T_n} = X_{\cdot \wedge T_n}$ verifies (P) .

Ex. An adapted process X is called a **local martingale** if $\exists (T_n)_{n \geq 1}$ stopping times $T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$ a.s. such that $\forall n \geq 1$, X^{T_n} is a martingale.

• **Ex:** X is said to be **locally square-integrable** if

$\exists (T_n)_{n \geq 1}$ stopping times $T_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$ a.s. such that

$\forall n \geq 1$, X^{T_n} is square-integrable.

• **Ex.** X is said to be **locally bounded** if there exists a sequence $(T_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of stopping times $T_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$ a.s. such that $\forall n \geq 1$, X^{T_n} is bounded.

'Locality' of the semimartingale property

• Let X be a cadlag adapted process. $(T_n)_{n \geq 1}$ an increasing sequence of positive variables with $T_n \rightarrow \infty$ a.s.

If there exists a sequence $(X^n)_{n \geq 1}$ of semimartingales such

that $X^{T_n-} = (X^n)^{T_n-}$ (that is: $X_{t \wedge T_n-} = X^n_{T_n- \wedge t}$, $\forall t \geq 0$)

then X is a semimartingale.

• In particular: a 'local semimartingale' is a semimartingale.

If $\forall n \geq 1$, X^{T_n} is a semimartingale for some stopping times $T_n \rightarrow \infty$ a.s. then X is a semimartingale

Proof: Let $T > 0$, $H^k \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathbb{F})$, with $\sup_{[0, T] \times \Omega} |H_t^k(\omega)| \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

$$X^{T_n^-} = (X_n)^{T_n^-} = \int_0^{T_n} H^k dX \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \text{since } T_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ a.s.}$$

$$P\left(\left|\int_0^T H^k dX\right| \geq c\right) \leq P\left(\left|\int_0^{T_n} H^k dX^n\right| \geq c\right) + \underbrace{P(T_n \leq T)}_{\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0} \quad X^n = X^{T_n}$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \geq 1, \forall n \geq n_0, P(T_n \leq t) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{Since } X^n \text{ is a semimartingale } P\left(\left|\int_0^T H^k dX^n\right| \geq c\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \text{ so}$$

$$\exists n_1 \geq 1, \forall k \geq n_1, P\left(\left|\int_0^T H^k dX^{n_0}\right| \geq c\right) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Consequence: If X is a semimartingale

T a stopping time then

$X^T = (X_{t \wedge T})_{t \geq 0}$ is also a semimartingale.

Semi-martingales : examples

- Any **locally** square-integrable **local** martingale is a semimartingale

- If $X = M + A$ where

M is a (locally) square-integrable (local) martingale

A is a cadlag adapted process with finite variation

then X is a semimartingale

Ex. Brownian motion + finite variation process

$$X_t = W_t + A_t$$

Stochastic integrals : extension to caglad integrands

$\mathbb{D}([0, \infty), \mathbb{R})$ cadlag (right-continuous functions with left limits)

\mathbb{D} : space of non-anticipative (\mathbb{F} -adapted) processes with cadlag paths

\mathbb{L} : space of non-anticipative processes with **caglad** paths (**left-continuous** with right limits)

Rem: if $X \in \mathbb{D}$, $Y_t = X_{t-} = \lim_{\substack{s \uparrow t \\ s < t}} X_s$ then $Y \in \mathbb{L}$

• If X is a semimartingale we can define $\int Y dX$ for $Y \in \mathbb{L}$

Uniform convergence in probability on compacts (UCP)

A sequence $(X^n)_{n \geq 1}$ of processes converges uniformly in probability on compacts to X if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall t \geq 0, \mathbb{P} \left(\sup_{s \leq t} |X_s^n - X_s| > \varepsilon \right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

We write $X^n \xrightarrow[\mathbb{P}]{ucp} X$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |X_s^n - X_s| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbb{P}} 0. \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

ucp convergence is metrizable by: $d_{ucp}(X, Y) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^n} \mathbb{E} [\min(1, \overline{(X-Y)}_n)]$

(\mathbb{D}, d_{ucp}) is a complete metric space.

Theorem: $S([0, \infty))$ is dense in (\mathbf{L}, d_{ucp}) : for any $Y \in \mathbf{L}$

there exists a sequence $(Y^n)_{n \geq 1}$ of simple predictable processes

such that $Y^n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{ucp} Y$.

Proof: Let $U_t^n = Y_{t \wedge R_n}$ where $R_n = \inf\{t, |Y_t| > n\}$. $U^n \in \mathbf{L}$ and $U^n \rightarrow Y$

$U^n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{ucp} Y$, so it is enough to show the result for Y bounded.

Define $Z_t = \lim_{u \downarrow t} Y_u = Y_{t+}$. Then $Z \in \mathbb{D}$ is cadlag. Define

$$T_n^\varepsilon = \inf\{t > T_{n-1}^\varepsilon, |Z_t - Z_{T_{n-1}^\varepsilon}| > \varepsilon\}, \quad T_0^\varepsilon = 0$$

Since Z is cadlag, T_n^ε are stopping times.

$$Y^{n,\varepsilon} = Y_0 \mathbb{1}_{\{0\}} + \sum_{i=1}^n Z_{T_i^\varepsilon} \mathbb{1}_{(T_i^\varepsilon \wedge n, T_{i+1}^\varepsilon \wedge n]} \in \mathcal{S} \quad \text{is a simple predictable process}$$

then: $\sup_{s \in [0, t]} |Y_s^{n,\varepsilon} - Y_s| \leq \varepsilon$

so: $\forall Y \in \mathbf{L}, \exists Y^{n,\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{S}, \sup_{s \in [0, t]} |Y_s^{n,\varepsilon} - Y_s| \leq \varepsilon$

Theorem: For any semimartingale X ,

$I_X : (S, d_{ucp}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{D}, d_{ucp})$ is continuous.

Proof: First, we show that if $\sup_{[0, T] \times \Omega} |H_t^k(\omega)| \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$ then

$$\int_0^\cdot H^k dX \xrightarrow{ucp} 0$$

For $\delta > 0$, define the stopping time: $\tau^k = \inf \{ t \geq 0, |\int_0^t H^k dX| \geq \delta \}$

$$H^k \mathbb{1}_{[0, \tau^k]} \in S \quad \text{and} \quad \|H^k \mathbb{1}_{[0, \tau^k]}\|_\infty \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$\forall t \geq 0, \quad \mathbb{P}(|\int_0^t H^k dX| > \delta) \leq \mathbb{P}(|\int_0^{\tau^k} H^k dX| \geq \delta)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(|\int_0^{\tau^k \wedge t} H^k \mathbb{1}_{[0, \tau^k \wedge t]} dX| \geq \delta) \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

where $\overline{U}_t = \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} U_s$

So $I_X : (S, \|\cdot\|_\infty) \rightarrow (\mathbb{D}, d_{ucp})$ is continuous.

• Now take $(H^k)_{k \geq 1}$, $H^k \xrightarrow{ucp} 0$, H^k bounded: $\|H^k\|_\infty \leq C$
 Let $t > 0$, $\delta > 0$.

$$P\left(\overline{\left|\int_0^t H^k dX\right|} \geq \delta\right) \leq P\left[\overline{\left(\int_0^t H^k 1_{[0, R_k]} dX\right)} \geq \delta\right] + P(R_k \leq t)$$

where $R_k = \inf\{u, |H_u^k| > \eta\}$ is a stopping time.

$$\sup_{[0, t] \times \mathcal{L}} |H_u^k 1_{[0, R_k]}(H)| \leq \eta \xrightarrow{\eta \rightarrow 0} 0 \quad \text{so}$$

$$\exists \eta > 0, P\left[\overline{\left(\int_0^t H^k 1_{[0, R_k]} dX\right)} \geq \delta\right] \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

Since (H^k) is uniformly bounded, $\exists k_0 \geq 1$, $k \geq k_0$, $P(R_k < t) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

$$\text{So then: } P\left(\overline{\left|\int H dX\right|} \geq \delta\right) \leq \varepsilon$$

Extension of the stochastic integral

Let X be a semimartingale, $Y \in \mathbf{L}$ be a left-continuous adapted process. Define the stochastic integral $I_X(Y) = \int Y dX$

by
$$\int_0^t Y dX = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t Y^n dX$$
 where $Y^n \in \mathcal{S}$ is any

sequence of simple predictable processes with $Y^n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{ucp} Y$.

i) $I_X : (\mathbf{L}, ucp) \rightarrow (\mathbb{D}, ucp)$ is continuous.

ii) $I_X(Y)$ does not depend on the approximating sequence $(Y^n)_{n \geq 1}$.

In particular we may choose $Y^n = Y_0 1_{[0]} + \sum_{i=1}^n Y_{T_i^n} 1_{(T_{i-1}^n, T_i^n]} \in \mathcal{S}$

Then:
$$\int_0^t Y^n dX = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_{T_{i-1}^n} (X_{T_i^n} - X_{T_{i-1}^n})$$

Stochastic integral as limit of non-anticipative Riemann sums

Let $(\Pi^n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random partitions where

$\Pi^n = (T_0^n = 0 \leq T_1^n \leq \dots \leq T_{k_n}^n)$ is a sequence of **stopping times**

i) $\limsup T_{k_n}^n = \infty$ a.s.

ii) $\|\Pi^n\| = \sup_k |T_{k+1}^n - T_k^n| \rightarrow 0$ a.s.

then $\forall Y \in \mathcal{D}$
or $Y \in \mathcal{L}$, $\sum_{T_i^n \in \Pi^n} Y_{T_i^n} (X_{T_{i+1}^n} - X_{T_i^n}) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{ucp} \int_0^T Y_{t-} dX_t$

Proof: use $Y^n = \sum_{i=0}^{k_n-1} Y_{T_i^n} \mathbb{1}_{(T_i^n, T_{i+1}^n]}$, $Y^n \in \mathcal{S}$ and $Y^n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{ucp} Y$.

Case of finite variation processes

If X is a semimartingale with finite variation paths, $Y \in \mathbf{L}$ then the stochastic integral $\int_0^\cdot Y_- dX$ is a modification of the pathwise Riemann-Stieltjes integral of Y_- wrt X .

How does this construction depend on the probability measure \mathbb{P} ?

Let $\mathbb{Q} \sim \mathbb{P} : \forall A \in \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}(A) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Q}(A) = 0$

$S([0, T], \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = S([0, T], \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{Q})$: \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q} only enter in the requirement that H_{T_i} are a.s. bounded.

• The def of \mathbb{P} -semimartingales, involves convergence in probability of $\int_0^T H dX$ where $H \in \mathcal{S}([0, T], \mathcal{F})$

so X \mathbb{P} -semimartingale $\Leftrightarrow X$ \mathbb{Q} -semimartingale

• The notion of UCP convergence under \mathbb{P} and \mathbb{Q} are the same.

Stability with respect to changes of probability measure

Let X be a \mathbb{P} -semimartingale, $H \in \mathbf{L}$

If $\mathbb{Q} \sim \mathbb{P}$ are equivalent measures on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \geq 0})$ then the stochastic

integral $\int H dX$ constructed under \mathbb{Q}

is indistinguishable from the stochastic integral

$\int_{\mathbb{P}} H dX$ constructed under \mathbb{P} .

Preservation of local martingale property

✓ If X is a (locally) square-integrable (local) martingale then for any $H \in \mathbf{L}$, $(\int_0^t H dX)_{t \geq 0}$ is also a locally square-integrable local martingale.

Remark: stochastic integration does not preserve in general the martingale property: if X is a square-integrable martingale $H \in \mathbf{L}$, $\int H dX$ is a local martingale, not a martingale.

(More on this later)

Proof: by localization it is sufficient to prove the result when X is a square-integrable martingale, $H \in \mathcal{L}$ **bounded**: $|H| \leq c$

$$\Theta_n = \inf \{ t > 0, \|X_t\|_{L^2} + \|H_t\|_{\infty} \geq n \}$$

$$\text{Let } H^n \in \mathcal{S}, \quad H^n \xrightarrow[\text{u.c.p.}]{n \rightarrow \infty} H, \quad |H^n| \leq c \quad H^n = \sum H_{T_i^n}^n \mathbb{1}_{(T_i^n, T_{i+1}^n]}$$

Then $M_t^n = \int_0^t H^n \cdot dX$ is a martingale for each $n \geq 1$ by the

martingale preserving property of $I_X: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$, $\forall t \leq T$

$$E\left(\int_0^t H^n \cdot dX\right)^2 = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k_n} H_{T_i^n}^n (X_{t \wedge T_{i+1}^n} - X_{T_i^n \wedge t})\right)^2 \leq c^2 E(X_t^2 - X_0^2) \leq c^2 E(X_T^2)$$

since \hat{X} sq.-integrable martingale

So (M^n) is a sequence of square-integrable martingales

uniformly $n \geq 1$ bounded in L^2 , thus uniformly integrable.

so $M = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M^n$ is also a square-integrable martingale.

Consider now the case of a general $H \in \mathbf{L}$, not necessarily bounded. Let $M_t = \int_0^t H dX$

Define $Z_t = H_{t+} = \lim_{u \downarrow t} H_u$. Then $Z \in \mathbb{D}$ is cadlag, adapted.

and $T_k = \inf \{ t > 0, |Z_t| > k \}$ is a stopping time.

Then the process $H_t^{T_k} = H_{t \wedge T_k}$ is bounded by k

and the above result implies that $\int H_t^{T_k} dX$ is a square-integrable martingale.

But $\int_0^t H_t^{T_k} dX = \left(\int_0^{t \wedge T_k} H \cdot dX \right) = M_{t \wedge T_k}$ so $(M_{t \wedge T_k})_{t \geq 0}$ is a square-integrable martingale for all $k \geq 1$: M is a **locally** sq-integrable local martingale.

Actually we have shown in the proof that

• $H \in \mathbb{L}$ is bounded

• X square-integrable martingale

Then $\int_0^\cdot H dX$ is a square-integrable martingale.

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