Stochastic Calculus II

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a) Let Φ_t be the solution of dΦ_t = μΦ_t dt, Φ₀ = 1: Φ_t is given by the expression Φ_t = exp(μt).
b) Set X_t = Φ_t Z_t; we have

$$dX_t = Z_t d\Phi_t + \Phi_t dZ_t + 0 = \mu \Phi_t Z_t dt + \Phi_t dZ_t$$

= $\mu X_t dt + \sigma X_t dB_t$,

where the first line follows from the integration by parts formula and the second line is obtained by rewriting simply the equation for X_t . From the above equation, we obtain that $dZ_t = \sigma Z_t dB_t$. Moreover, $Z_0 = x_0$ and

$$\langle Z \rangle_t = \sigma^2 \int_0^t Z_s^2 \, ds.$$

c) Set $Y_t = \log(Z_t)$; by Ito-Doeblin's formula, we have (reminder: $\log(x)' = \frac{1}{x}$ and $\log(x)'' = -\frac{1}{x^2}$):

$$Y_t - \log(x_0) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{Z_s} dZ_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \frac{1}{Z_s^2} d\langle Z \rangle_s = \sigma \int_0^t dB_s - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \int_0^t ds = \sigma B_t - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t_s$$

therefore

$$X_t = \Phi_t \exp(Y_t) = x_0 \exp\left(\left(\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right)t + \sigma B_t\right)$$

2. a) By the class, the solution of this SDE reads $X_t = \int_0^t \frac{\Phi_t}{\Phi_s} dB_s$, where $d\Phi_t = -\frac{\Phi_t}{1-t} dt$, $\Phi_0 = 1$. Solving this ODE gives

$$\frac{\Phi'_t}{\Phi_t} = -\frac{1}{1-t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \log(\Phi_t) = \log(1-t) + C \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Phi_t = 1-t \quad \text{since} \quad \Phi_0 = 1$$

So $X_t = \int_0^t \frac{1-t}{1-s} dB_s$ and $X_1 = \int_0^1 0 dB_s = 0.$

b) $\mathbb{E}(X_t) = 0$ and for $t \ge s$, we have

$$\operatorname{Cov}(X_t, X_s) = \mathbb{E}(X_t X_s) = (1-t)(1-s) \int_0^s \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} dr = (1-t)(1-s) \left(\frac{1}{1-s} - 1\right) = (1-t)s,$$

thus, for general t, s, we have

$$\operatorname{Cov}(X_t, X_s) = (1 - (t \lor s)) (t \land s) \quad \text{et} \quad \operatorname{Var}(X_t) = t (1 - t),$$

where $t \lor s := \max(t, s)$. Notice that for t, s close to 0, we have

- $\operatorname{Cov}(X_t, X_s) \simeq t \wedge s$ (that is, (X_t) resembles to a Brownian motion, close to t = 0);
- $\operatorname{Cov}(X_{1-t}, X_{1-s}) \simeq t \wedge s$ (that is, (X_{1-t}) also resembles to a Brownian motion, close to t = 0).

3. a) By Ito-Doeblin's formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_t^2 &= 1 + 2\int_0^t X_s \, dX_s + \langle X \rangle_t = 1 - \int_0^t X_s^2 \, ds - 2\int_0^t X_s \, Y_s \, dB_s + \int_0^t Y_s^2 \, ds, \\ Y_t^2 &= 0 + 2\int_0^t Y_s \, dY_s + \langle Y \rangle_t = -\int_0^t Y_s^2 \, ds + 2\int_0^t Y_s \, X_s \, dB_s + \int_0^t X_s^2 \, ds, \end{aligned}$$

so $X_t^2 + Y_t^2 = 1$.

b) We have

$$Z_t = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t X_s Y_s \, ds + \int_0^t X_s^2 \, dB_s + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t Y_s X_s \, ds + \int_0^t Y_s^2 \, dB_s = 0 + \int_0^t (X_s^2 + Y_s^2) \, dB_s = \int_0^t 1 \, dB_s = B_t.$$

c) We have

$$dX_t = d\cos(\Theta_t) = -\sin(\Theta_t) \, d\Theta_t - \frac{1}{2}\cos(\Theta_t) \, d\langle\Theta\rangle_t,$$

$$dY_t = d\sin(\Theta_t) = +\cos(\Theta_t) \, d\Theta_t - \frac{1}{2}\sin(\Theta_t) \, d\langle\Theta\rangle_t.$$

Therefore, by a computation very close to the one above,

$$Z_t = \int_0^t \cos(\Theta_s) d\sin(\Theta_s) - \int_0^t \sin(\Theta_s) d\cos(\Theta_s) = 0 + \int_0^t (\cos(\Theta_s)^2 + \sin(\Theta_s)^2) d\Theta_s = \int_0^t 1 d\Theta_s = \Theta_t,$$

so $\Theta_t = B_t!$