

Summer 2012
May, 23th

Computational Finance - 7th Assignment

Deadline: June, 6th

Exercise 25 (Integration by Parts for Itô Integrals)

(2+3 points)

a) Show

$$\int_{t_0}^t s \, dW_s = tW_t - t_0W_{t_0} - \int_{t_0}^t W_s \, ds.$$

Hint: Start with the Wiener process $X_t = W_t$ and apply the Itô Lemma with the transformation $y = g(x, t) := tx$.

b) Denote $\Delta Y := \int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^s dW_z ds$, $\Delta W := W_t - W_{t_0}$ and $\Delta t := t - t_0$. Show by using a) that

$$\int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^s dz \, dW_s = \Delta W \Delta t - \Delta Y.$$

Exercise 26 (Integral Representation)

(8 points)

For a European put with time to maturity $\tau := T - t$ prove that

$$\begin{aligned} [V(S_t, t)] &= e^{-r\tau} \int_0^\infty (K - S_T)^+ \frac{1}{S_T \sigma \sqrt{2\pi\tau}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{[\ln(S_T/S_t) - (r - \frac{\sigma^2}{2})\tau]^2}{2\sigma^2\tau} \right\} dS_T \\ &= e^{-r\tau} K F(-d_2) - S_t F(-d_1), \end{aligned}$$

where F , d_1 and d_2 were defined in exercise 6.

Hint: Use $(K - S_T)^+ = 0$ for $S_T > K$, and get two integrals.

(please turn over)

Exercise 27 (Moments of Itô Integrals)

(3+7+3 points)

a) Use the Itô isometry

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\left[\int_a^b f(t, \omega) dW_t \right]^2 \right) = \int_a^b \mathbb{E} (f^2(t, \omega)) dt$$

to show its generalization

$$\mathbb{E}(I(f)I(g)) = \int_a^b \mathbb{E}(fg) dt, \quad \text{where} \quad I(f) = \int_a^b f(t, \omega) dW_t.$$

Hint: $4fg = (f+g)^2 - (f-g)^2$ b) Show for ΔY , ΔW and Δt defined in exercise 25 by using a) and $\mathbb{E} \left(\int_a^b f(t, \omega) dW_t \right) = 0$ the following assertions for the moments:

$$\mathbb{E}(\Delta Y) = 0, \quad \mathbb{E}(\Delta Y^2) = \frac{\Delta t^3}{3}, \quad \mathbb{E}(\Delta Y \Delta W) = \frac{\Delta t^2}{2}, \quad \mathbb{E}(\Delta Y \Delta W^2) = 0.$$

c) By transformation of two independent standard normally distributed random variables $Z_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), i = 1, 2$, two new random variables are obtained by

$$\Delta \widehat{W} := Z_1 \sqrt{\Delta t}, \quad \Delta \widehat{Y} := \frac{1}{2}(\Delta t)^{3/2} \left(Z_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} Z_2 \right).$$

Show that $\Delta \widehat{W}$, $\Delta \widehat{Y}$ and their corresponding products have the same moments like ΔW and ΔY in b).