

Lecture 23

Note Title

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Brownian Motion

1. $\{B(t) : t \geq 0\}$ has stationary indpt increments
2. $B(t)$ has normal distribution $\forall t \geq 0$
3. $E[B(t)] = 0$ $\forall t \geq 0$
4. $B(0) = 0$

$\Rightarrow B(t+\delta) - B(t)$ normal w/ mean 0 and variance δ

Fractional Brownian Motion B_H

Depends on a parameter H (Hurst parameter)

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq H < 1$$

$H = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow$ Brownian motion

1. $B_H(t)$ continuous
2. $B_H(0) = 0$
3. $B_H(t+\delta) - B_H(t)$ normal w/ mean 0 and variance δ^{2H}

Remark: Stationary increments (do not depend on t)
Independent?

Proposition 1 $E[B_H(t)] = 0 \quad \forall t$

Pf $E[B_H(t)] = E[B_H(t) - B_H(0)] = 0$
↑
axiom 3 □

Proposition 2 $\text{Var}[B_H(t)] = t^{2H}$

Pf $\text{Var}[B_H(t)] = \text{Var}[B_H(t) - B_H(0)] = t^{2H}$ □

Proposition 3 $R(t, t_2) = E[B_H(t_1) B_H(t_2)] = \frac{1}{2} (t_1^{2H} + t_2^{2H} - |t_2 - t_1|^{2H})$.

Pf $E[(B_H(t) - B_H(s))^2] = E[B_H^2(t) + B_H^2(s) - 2B_H(t)B_H(s)]$

$$E[B_H(t) B_H(s)] = \frac{1}{2} \left[E[B_H^2(t)] + E[B_H^2(s)] - E[(B_H(t) - B_H(s))^2] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\text{Var}[B_H(t)] + \text{Var}[B_H(s)] - \text{Var}[B_H(t) - B_H(s)] \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[t^{2H} + s^{2H} - |t-s|^{2H} \right]$$
□

Correlation between the increments $[-t, 0]$ and $[0, t]$

$$E[(B_H(0) - B_H(-t))(B_H(t) - B_H(0))] =$$

$$= E[-B_H(-t) B_H(t)] = -\frac{1}{2} \left((-t)^{2H} + t^{2H} - |-t-t|^{2H} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2t)^{2H} - t^{2H} \neq 0 \quad \text{for } H \neq \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\rho = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[X]\text{Var}[Y]}} \neq 0$$

Eventually: $A(t)$ = cumulative traffic from 0 and t

$$A(t) = mt + a B_H(t)$$

$$E[A(t)] = mt$$

$$\frac{E[A(t)]}{t} = m$$

$$\text{Var}[A(t)] = a^2 \text{Var}[B_H(t)] = a^2 t^{2H}$$

Self-similarity

For continuous stochastic processes:

$$x(t) \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{1}{a^H} x(at)$$

$$1. E[x(t)] = \frac{E[x(at)]}{a^H}$$

$$2. \text{Var}[x(t)] = \frac{\text{Var}[x(at)]}{a^{2H}}$$

$$3. R(t,s) = \frac{R(at, as)}{a^{2H}}$$

