Mathematical Finance

Exercise sheet 10

Exercise 10.1

- (a) Give an example of a process with independent increments that is not a semimartingale.
- (b) Give an example of a process with stationary increments that is not a semimartingale.

Exercise 10.2 Assume

$$dS_t = \sigma(t, S_t) S_t dW_t, \ S_0 = s_0 > 0,$$

for $C^{1,2}$ -function σ and assume that there exists $C^{1,2}$ -function f such that $f(t, \cdot)$ is the density for S_t for all $t \ge 0$. Show that

$$\sigma(T,K) = \frac{1}{K} \sqrt{\frac{2\frac{\partial C}{\partial T}(T,K)}{\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial K^2}(T,K)}}.$$

Hint: Consider the value process for some $h(S_T)$.

Exercise 10.3 Let

$$dY_t = \kappa(\theta - Y_t)dt + \beta \sqrt{Y_t}dW_t, \ Y_0 = y_0 > 0, \tag{1}$$

where W is a Q-Brownian motion, κ, θ, β are constants satisfying the Feller condition $2\kappa\theta > \beta^2$. Show that

$$E_Q\left[\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T Y_t dt\right] = \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa T}}{\kappa T}Y_0 + \left(1 - \frac{1 - e^{-\kappa T}}{\kappa T}\right)\theta.$$
(2)

Exercise 10.4 (Python) Compute the expectation (2) by simulating the paths of (1).