

Summary

Step 0: Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral for deterministic processes. $\mu = \mu_+ - \mu_-$
 where $\mu_{+, -}$ are ≥ 0 measures on $[0, T]$.

càdlàg bounded variation $a: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow \mu: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ signed measure
 $a(b) = \mu([0, b])$.

$$\rightarrow \text{can define } \int_s^t R(s) da(s) = \int_{(s,t]} R(s) \mu(ds)$$

Prop: $a: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ càdlàg BV, $R \in L^1([0, T], |da|) \Rightarrow R \cdot a: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is càdlàg & BV

Example : $a: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $a(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & t \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

$$V_a(0, 1) = 1 \quad \mu = \delta_0 - \delta_{1/2}$$

Step 1: Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral wrt càdlàg finite variation processes.

Def: A càdlàg adapted process X is a map $X: \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ st

- i) X is càdlàg, i.e. $X(\omega, \cdot): [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is càdlàg for all $\omega \in \Omega$
- ii) X is adapted, i.e. $X_t = X(\cdot, t): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is \mathcal{F}_t measurable for all t .

Def: A càdlàg process A is a finite variation process if $A(\omega, \cdot): [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has finite variation for all $\omega \in \Omega$.

The total variation process V associated to a finite variation process A is

$$V_t = \int_0^t |dA_s| \rightarrow \text{random variable defined } \omega\text{-wise as in step 0 using } \mu_\omega \text{ for each } \omega \text{ the signed measure corresponding to } A_\omega(\omega) = A(\omega, \cdot)$$

Def: Let A be a càdlàg finite variation process and H be a process st

$$\forall \omega \in \Omega, \forall t \geq 0 : \int_0^t |H_s(\omega)| |dA_s(\omega)| < \infty$$

We define the stochastic integral of H wrt A by the process $((H \cdot A)_t)_{t \geq 0}$ given by

$$(H \cdot A)_t = \int_0^t H_s dA_s$$

Note $(H \cdot A): \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a stochastic process!

More precisely we define the stochastic integral ω -wise. Fix an $\omega \in \Omega$. $A(\omega, \cdot)$ is càdlàg finite variation process. By step 0, \exists a corresponding signed measure μ_ω and we define

$$(H \cdot A)_t(\omega) = \int_0^t H_s(\omega) dA_s(\omega) = \int_0^t H_s(\omega) \mu_\omega(ds)$$

see step 0

We know from step 0 that this definition of $(H \cdot A)$ gives a càdlàg and finite variation process for each $\omega \in \Omega$. Question: is $(H \cdot A)$, when viewed as a function of ω adapted, i.e. $X(\cdot, t) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $\in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t$?

→ need a condition on H : H must be predictable.

Def: The predictable (or previsible) σ -algebra \mathcal{P} is the σ -algebra on $\Omega \times [0, \infty)$ generated by all adapted left-continuous processes.

$A \in \mathcal{P}$ is thus the pre-image of a Borel set $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ by an adapted left-continuous process $Y : \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$\mathcal{A} \in \mathcal{P} = \sigma(Y^{-1}(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$$

$$= \sigma(t, \omega)$$

One can show that \mathcal{P} can equivalently be defined as the σ -algebra on $\Omega \times [0, \infty)$ generated by sets of the form

$$E \times (s, t] , E \in \mathcal{F}_s , s < t$$

A process $H : \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be predictable if it is \mathcal{P} -measurable, i.e. $H^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{P} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

Equivalently, H is predictable if it is the pointwise limit of bounded elementary processes (see below).

Def: A process $H : \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a bounded elementary (also called simple/simple predictable) process if

$$H(\omega, t) = \sum_{i=1}^n R_{i-1}(\omega) \mathbf{1}_{(t_{i-1}, t_i]}(t)$$

Rmb A notation does not correspond to the one in lecture notes (shift in index)

for bounded (real-valued) $\mathcal{F}_{t_{i-1}}$ -measurable random variables

and $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n < \infty$.

Note By construction simple predictable processes are

- left-continuous for each $\omega \in \Omega$ (because $t \mapsto \mathbf{1}_{(t_{i-1}, t_i]}(t)$ is left-continuous)
- predictable (because adapted and left-continuous)

Facts giving some intuitions about predictable processes:

i) Simple processes and their pointwise limits are predictable

ii) Adapted left-continuous processes are predictable

In particular adapted continuous processes (e.g Brownian Motion) are predictable.

iii) Let H be predictable. Then $H_t \in \mathcal{F}_{t-} := \sigma(\mathcal{F}_s, s < t)$

In particular this shows that adapted but not left-continuous processes might not be predictable

Example: A poisson process (N_t) is adapted (to its natural filtration) but not predictable since $N_t \notin \mathcal{F}_{t-}$.

Thm: Let A be a càdlàg finite variation process, and let H be a predictable process. Then the ω -wise defined Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral

$$(H \cdot A)_t(\omega) := \int_0^t H_s(\omega) dA_s(\omega) = \int_0^t H_s(\omega) \mu_\omega(ds)$$

defines an adapted finite variation process $H \cdot A : \Omega \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

We would like to define the stochastic integral wrt local martingales (and later semimartingales). Unfortunately our above construction fails because one can show that if X is a continuous local martingale starting at 0 and having finite variation, then $X_t = 0 \ \forall t$ a.s.

Hence we cannot construct the stochastic integral pathwise (w by w) using the relation between càdlàg bounded variation processes and signed measures. We need to find another way....

Idea: define the stock-integral wrt a ~~left-continuous~~ ^{martingales bounded in L^2} martingales bounded in L^2 by first defining it for simple processes H .

For a general predictable H , we ~~need to use results~~ construct the stock-integral as a limit process in a suitable L^2 sense.

Finally we extend our theory to integration wrt local ~~martingales~~ and semimartingales.

Step 2: In order to define the stochastic integral $(H \cdot M)$ for a large class of integrands H and integrators M we proceed step by step.

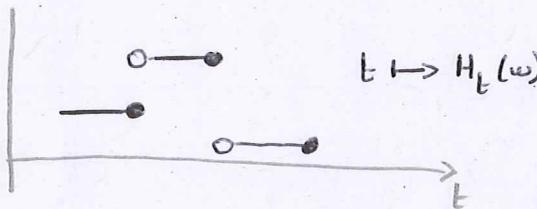
Step A Define $(H \cdot M)$ for $H \in b\mathcal{E}$ a bounded elementary process arbitrarily M (in particular for square integrable martingale).

$$H = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} R_i \cdot 1_{(t_i, t_{i+1}]} \quad (\text{i.e. } H_t(\omega) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} R_i(\omega) \cdot 1_{(t_i, t_{i+1}]}(t))$$

for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n$ and each R_i bounded
• \mathcal{F}_{t_i} -measurable.

Note: Such processes are left continuous

A typical path (for a fixed $\omega \in \Omega$) looks



For $H \in b\mathcal{E}$ and M arbitrary, we define the stochastic integral as

$$(H \cdot M)_t = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} R_i (M_{t_{i+1}, \Delta t} - M_{t_i, \Delta t})$$

i.e. the stochastic integral $(H \cdot M) = ((H \cdot M)_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is a stochastic process and for a fixed time step t and a fixed $\omega \in \Omega$, the random variable $(H \cdot M)_t$ takes the value

$$(H \cdot M)_t(\omega) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} R_i(\omega) \cdot (M_{t_{i+1}, \Delta t}(\omega) - M_{t_i, \Delta t}(\omega))$$

When defining the stochastic integral for $H \in bE$ this way we note that an Isometry property holds. This Lemma, called Itô's isometry, is crucial in order to extend our definition to a larger class of integrands H .

Lemma

Suppose M is a square integrable martingale ($\mathbb{E} H_t^2 \in L^2$ for all $t \geq 0$). For every $H \in bE$, the stochastic integral process $H \cdot M = \int H dM$ is then also a square integrable martingale, and we have the isometry property

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\underbrace{(H \cdot M)}_{\text{stoch integral}} \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^\infty H_s dM_s \right)^2 \right]$$

as defined
in step A

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[\underbrace{\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d[M]_s}_{\text{Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral}} \right]$$

Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral

since $t \mapsto [M]_t$ is increasing (hence of finite variation)

We can reinterpret this Lemma by introducing appropriate normed spaces.

Let $M_o^2 = \{ \text{all càdlàg martingales } N = (N_t)_{t \geq 0} \text{ null at } 0 \text{ which satisfy } \sup_{t \geq 0} \mathbb{E}[N_t^2] < \infty \}$

Moreover set $\|N\|_{M_o^2} = \left(\sup_{t \geq 0} \mathbb{E}[N_t^2] \right)^{1/2}$ for $N \in M_o^2$

Exercise prove that $\|\cdot\|_{M_o^2}$ is a norm (Hint you will need Doob's L^2 inequality to prove $\|N\|_{M_o^2} = 0 \Rightarrow N = 0$)

Recall the following basic results from probability theory:

If $N \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$, then

- $N_t \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s and in } L^2}$ (see martingale convergence theorem)
- $N_\infty \in L^2$ by Fatou's Lemma.
- $(N_t^2)_{t \geq 0}$ is a submartingale by Jensen's inequality so $t \mapsto \mathbb{E}[N_t^2]$ is increasing and in particular

$$\mathbb{E}[N_\infty^2] = \sup_{t \geq 0} \mathbb{E}[N_t^2] \quad \text{and so } \|N\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2} = (\mathbb{E}[N_\infty^2])^{1/2}$$

- Doob's L^2 inequality says

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{t \geq 0} N_t^2\right] \leq 4 \mathbb{E}[N_\infty^2]$$

- The process $(N_t)_{0 \leq t \leq \infty}$ defined up to ∞ is still a martingale and Doob's maximal inequality implies that two martingales N and N' which have the same final value (i.e $N_\infty = N'_\infty$ P-as) must coincide P-as at every time step.

We can therefore identify $N \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$ with its limit $N_\infty \in L^2(\mathcal{F}_\infty, P)$

This makes $(\mathcal{M}_0^2, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2})$ a Hilbert space with the norm

$$\|N\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2} = (\mathbb{E}[N_\infty^2])^{1/2}$$

and the scalar product

$$(N, N')_{\mathcal{M}_0^2} = \mathbb{E}[N_\infty N'_\infty]$$

We also introduce the space

$$L^2(H) = L^2(\Omega \times (0, \infty), \mathbb{P}, P_H)$$

$$= \left\{ \text{all (equivalence classes of) predictable } H = (H_t)_{t \geq 0} \text{ such that } \|H\|_{L^2(H)} := (\mathbb{E}_H [H^2])^{1/2} = \left(\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d[H]_s \right] \right)^{1/2} < \infty \right\}$$

expectation with respect to the prob. measure P_H

defined on $(\Omega \times (0, \infty), \mathbb{P})$
 \hookrightarrow predictable σ -field

by

$$\mathbb{E}_H[Y] := \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^\infty Y_s(\omega) d[H]_s(\omega) \right] \quad \textcircled{*} \quad \text{for } Y \geq 0 \text{ predictable}$$

Note $\textcircled{*}$ indeed defines a probability measure on \mathbb{P} because a set $A \in \mathbb{P}$ iff the function $\mathbb{1}_A$ is predictable and so one can define

$$P_H(A) := \mathbb{E}_H[\mathbb{1}_A] \quad \text{using } \textcircled{*}$$

With these two spaces (\mathcal{M}_0^2 & $L^2(H)$) we can reformulate Itô's lemma as follows:

Suppose M is a square integrable martingale. Then for every $H \in b\mathbb{E}$,

The mapping $b\mathbb{E} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_0^2$

$$H \longmapsto H \cdot M$$

is linear and we have the isometry

$$\|H \cdot M\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2}^2 = \mathbb{E} \left[(H \cdot M)_\infty^2 \right] = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^\infty H_s dH_s \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d[H]_s \right] = \|H\|_{L^2(H)}^2$$

So Itô's isometry Lemma shows that the stochastic integration viewed as a mapping $b\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0^2$

$$H \mapsto H \cdot H$$

is an isometry (distance preserving transformation) when we equip the spaces $b\mathcal{E}$ and \mathcal{M}_0^2 with the norms

$$\|H\|_{L^2(H)}^2 := \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d[H]_s \right]$$

$$\|H \cdot H\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2}^2 = \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\int_0^\infty H_s dH_s \right)^2 \right]$$

We can therefore extend our def. of stock integral using the continuous linear extension theorem stated below:

Thm (continuous linear extension theorem)

Every bounded linear transformation $T: X \rightarrow Y$ from a normed vector space X to a complete normed vector space Y can be uniquely extended to a bounded linear transformation $\bar{T}: \bar{X} \rightarrow Y$ from the closure \bar{X} of X to Y .

By Itô's Lemma, the stock int viewed as a mapping $b\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0^2$ is linear and bounded from the normed vector space $(b\mathcal{E}, \|\cdot\|_{L^2(H)})$ to the complete normed vector space $(\mathcal{M}_0^2, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2})$

\hookrightarrow completeness admitted.

So by the above theorem, H can be extended to the closure (with respect to $\|\cdot\|_{L^2(H)}$) of $b\mathcal{E}$. It turns out that when $H \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$, the closure of $b\mathcal{E}$ in the $\|\cdot\|_{L^2(H)}$ norm is $L^2(H)$. This leads us to step B.

Step B Extend the definition to $H \in L^2(\mathbb{H})$. This works well for $H \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$ because in that case one can show that bE is dense in $L^2(\mathbb{H})$ (i.e. the closure of bE in $L^2(\mathbb{H})$ is $L^2(\mathbb{H})$).

By the arguments, we can extend (uniquely) the def of $(H \cdot H)$ previous

to $H \in L^2(\mathbb{H})$ for $H \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$ and the properties of the map

$bE \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_0^2$ are preserved, i.e. the resulting $(H \cdot H)$ is again a martingale in \mathcal{M}_0^2 and still satisfies the isometry property.

The extension is done in the following way:

① The closure of bE in the $\|\cdot\|_{L^2(\mathbb{H})}$ norm is $L^2(\mathbb{H})$ so bE is dense in $L^2(\mathbb{H})$.

Take $H \in L^2(\mathbb{H})$ for a fixed $H \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$

By density of bE in $L^2(\mathbb{H})$, \exists a sequence $H^n \in bE$ st H^n converges to H in the $\|\cdot\|_{L^2(\mathbb{H})}$ norm, i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|H^n - H\|_{L^2(\mathbb{H})} = 0$$

② By Itô's isometry property we have

$$\|H^n - H\|_{L^2(\mathbb{H})} = \|(H^n \cdot H) - (H \cdot H)\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2}$$

and hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(H^n \cdot H) - (H \cdot H)\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2} = 0$$

i.e. $(H^n \cdot H)$ converges to $(H \cdot H)$ in the $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{M}_0^2}$ norm

③ We can therefore define

$$(H \cdot H)_t^{(\omega)} := \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (H^n \cdot H) \right)_t^{(\omega)}$$

where H^n is a sequence in bE converging to H in the $L^2(H)$ norm
and the limit on the RHS is taken in the $\|\cdot\|_{L^2}$ -norm.

Problem : This works only if $H \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$. However that is a too strong assumption as for instance the Brownian motion is not in \mathcal{M}_0^2 as $\sup_{t \geq 0} \mathbb{E}[W_t^2] = \sup_{t \geq 0} t = \infty$.

This leads us to Step C.

Step C Extend the definition to $H \in L^2_{loc}(H)$ and $H \in \mathcal{M}_{0,loc}^2$ via
localisation

1) Define the space of locally square integrable local martingales $\mathcal{M}_{0,loc}^2$
A local martingale M null at 0 is called locally square integrable,
and we write $M \in \mathcal{M}_{0,loc}^2$ if there exists a sequence of stopping times
 $\tau_n \rightarrow \infty$ P-as st the stopped process $M^{\tau_n} \in \mathcal{M}_0^2$ for all n

2) Define the space $L^2_{loc}(H)$

A predictable process $H \in L^2_{loc}(H)$ if there exists a sequence of stopping
times $\tau_n \rightarrow \infty$ P-as st

$$H \cdot \mathbb{I}_{[0, \tau_n]} \in L^2(H) \quad \text{for all } n$$

NB : $[0, \tau_n] = \{(w, t) \in \Omega \times (0, \infty) \mid 0 < t \leq \tau_n(w)\}$ denotes the so called
stochastic interval.

Easy example Brownian Motion is in $M^2_{0,\text{loc}}$ because for

$$\tau_n = \inf\{t > 0 \mid W_t > n\} \nearrow \infty$$

\hookrightarrow exercise: why?

we have $|W_{t \wedge \tau_n}| \leq n$ because $|W_{t \wedge \tau_n}| = \begin{cases} |W_t| < n & \text{if } t < \tau_n \\ |W_{\tau_n}| = n & \text{if } t > \tau_n \end{cases}$

↑
uses the continuity of
the Brownian paths

and so $\sup_{t > 0} \mathbb{E}[|W_{t \wedge \tau_n}|^2] \leq n < \infty$ for each n .

Note that by definition of $M^2_{0,\text{loc}}$ and $L^2_{\text{loc}}(H)$

$$H \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0, \tau_n]} \in L^2(H|_{\tau_n})$$

$$\hookrightarrow M^{\tau_n} \in L^2(H)$$

and so the stochastic integral $(H \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0, \tau_n]} \circ M^{\tau_n})$ is well defined

and gives a local martingale in $M^2_0(H^{\tau_n})$.

The idea is to define

$$(H \cdot H) := (H \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[0, \tau_n]} \circ M^{\tau_n}) \text{ on } [0, \tau_n]$$

To make this rigorous, one has to show that

i) This gives a def on all $\Omega \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow \Omega$ because $\tau_n \nearrow \infty$
 $\Rightarrow [0, \tau_n] \nearrow \Omega \times (0, \infty)$

ii) The def. is consistent, i.e. that the def on $[0, \tau_{n+1}] \setminus [0, \tau_n]$ does not clash with the def on $[0, \tau_n]$.

\hookrightarrow omitted in this course.

To get an intuition about the space $L^2_{\text{loc}}(H)$, consider the special case where H is continuous local mart. null at 0 ($H \in \mathcal{M}_{0,\text{loc}}^c$).

Then $H \in \mathcal{M}_{0,\text{loc}}^2$ because it is even locally bounded. Indeed using the localising sequence

$$\tau_n = \inf\{t > 0 \mid |H_t| > n\}$$

we get $|H_{\tau_n}^{\tau_n}| = |H_{t \wedge \tau_n}| \leq n$ for each n .

\hookrightarrow exercise : explain why (hint same argument as for Brownian Motion on previous page).

It turns out that when H is continuous (or more generally if H has integrable jumps) we can characterise $L^2_{\text{loc}}(H)$ as

$L^2_{\text{loc}}(H) = \{ \text{all predictable process } H = (H_t)_{t \geq 0} \text{ such that}$

$$\int_0^t H_s^2 d[H]_s < \infty \text{ P-as for each } t \geq 0 \}$$

Remark

1) The main difference between $L^2(H)$ and $L^2_{\text{loc}}(H)$ in this case is that we only require

$$\int_0^t H_s^2 d[H]_s < \infty \quad \forall t \geq 0$$

instead of $\mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^t H_s^2 d[H]_s \right] < \infty \quad \forall t \geq 0$

Note that this is much weaker requirement as

$\mathbb{E}Y < \infty \Rightarrow Y < \infty$ but the converse is false in general

\hookrightarrow exercise: find an example where $Y < \infty$ but $\mathbb{E}Y = \infty$.

To see why we can "ommit" the expectation, we just come back to the definition of $L^2_{loc}(H)$ and use the particular localising sequence

$$\tau_n = \inf \{ t > 0 : \int_0^t H_s^2 d[H]_s = n \}.$$

it can be shown that $(\tau_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is a localising sequence and clearly

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\underbrace{\int_0^\infty H_s^2 \mathbf{1}_{[10, \tau_n]} d[H]_s}_\leq n \right] < n < \infty$$

so $H \cdot \mathbf{1}_{[10, \tau_n]} \in L^2(H)$ and hence $H \in L^2_{loc}(H)$

(for details see exercise sheet).

2) when M is continuous, the optional quadratic variation $[M]$ and the sharp bracket processes $\langle M \rangle$ coincide.

Indeed M continuous $\Rightarrow \Delta M = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (\Delta M)^2 = 0 = \Delta [M] \Rightarrow [M] \text{ continuous}$$

But $[M]$ adapted by def so in this case also predictable (because adapted continuous processes are predictable)

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{[M] = \langle M \rangle} \text{ by uniqueness of } \langle M \rangle$$

~~This concludes step 2. The next steps will be done next week by Prof. Frikha.~~

- ~~Step C~~
- ⊕ See Remarks p 85-86 } done on slides.
 - ⊕ See Properties p 88-90 }

This concludes step C. Next week you will further extend the stochastic integration ~~as summarised below~~ to semimartingales:

Step D Define $(H \cdot X)$ for H predictable and locally bounded
X semimartingale