

## Problem sheet 6

Solutions has to be uploaded into Moodle:

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until 20:00, June 29.

1. [3 points] Show that the SDE

$$dX_t = (|X_t|^\alpha \wedge 1)dB_t, \quad X_0 = x_0,$$

has a pathwise unique strong solution for every  $\alpha \geq \frac{1}{2}$ .

2. [3+2+3 points]

- (a) Let  $W_t, t \geq 1$ , be a  $n$ -dimensional Brownian motion. Define  $X_t = \|W_t\|^2, t \geq 0$ . Show that the process  $X$  is a weak solution to the SDE

$$dX_t = ndt + 2\sqrt{X_t}dB_t, \quad X_0 = 0. \quad (1)$$

- (b) Show that SDE (1) has a pathwise unique strong solution for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (c) Let  $Y_t$  be a solution<sup>1</sup> to

$$dY_t = \delta dt + 2\sqrt{Y_t}dB_t, \quad Y_0 = y_0$$

for some  $y_0 > 0$  and  $\delta \geq 2$ . Prove that

$$\mathbb{P} \{ \exists t \geq 0 : Y_t = 0 \} = 0.$$

*Hint:* Use the fact that a two-dimensional Brownian motion never heat a fixed point, i.e

$$\mathbb{P} \{ \exists t \geq 0 : B_t = a \} = 0$$

for every  $a \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ .

3. [5 points] Let  $L_t^{X,0}$  denote the (semimartingale) local time of  $X$  at 0, where  $X$  is a continuous semimartingale in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let also  $B_t, t \geq 0$ , be an one dimensional Brownian motion. Show that

- (a)  $|B_t|, t \geq 0$ , is a continuous semimartingale;

- (b)  $L^{|B|,0} = 2L^{B,0}$ .

*Hint:* Use the fact that  $\int_0^\infty \mathbb{I}_{\{X_t \neq 0\}} dL_t^{X,0} = 0$  a.s., which we will discuss next time.

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<sup>1</sup>This equation has a pathwise unique strong solution for every  $\delta \geq 1$ . Its solution is called  $\delta$ -dimensional squared Bessel process