

**Theorem (Levy)** Let  $X_t = (X_t^1, \dots, X_t^d)$  be an adapted  $d$ -dim process,  $X_0 = 0$ . Then TFAE.

- 1)  $X$  is  $d$ -dimensional Brownian Motion
- 2)  $X$ -continuous local martingale,  $\langle X^i, X^j \rangle_t = \delta_{ij}t$   
 $\forall 1 \leq i, j \leq d$ .
- 3)  $X$ -continuous local martingale and  $\forall f = (f_1, \dots, f_d) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  
 the process  

$$\xi_t^{if} = \exp\left(i \sum_k \int_0^t f_k dX_s^k + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \int_0^t f_k^2(s) ds\right)$$
 is a martingale.

Proof. 1)  $\Rightarrow$  2) by definition.

2)  $\Rightarrow$  3)  $\xi_t^{if}$  is the exponential transform of local martingale  $M_t = i \sum_k \int_0^t f_k(s) dX_s^k$ .  
 $\langle M, M \rangle_t = - \sum_k \int_0^t f_k^2(s) ds$

So it is a local martingale,  
 $|\xi_t^{if}| \leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \int_0^t f_k^2(s) ds\right)$  - bounded!  
 So it is a martingale.

3)  $\Rightarrow$  1). Fix  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d, T > 0$  and take  $f := \mathbb{1}_{[0, T]} \xi$ .

Then  $\xi_t^{if} = \exp\left(i \langle \xi, X_{\min(t, T)} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} |\xi|^2 \min(t, T)\right)$   
 inner product

So if  $A \in \mathcal{F}_s$  ( $s < t < T$ ) then

$$E(\mathbb{1}_A \exp(i \langle \xi, X_t - X_s \rangle)) = P(A) \exp\left(-\frac{|\xi|^2}{2}(t-s)\right)$$

(because  $E(\xi_t^{if} | \mathcal{F}_s) = \xi_s^{if}$ )

This is true  $\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , so Fourier transform of  $(X_t - X_s)$  is  $\exp\left(-\frac{|\xi|^2}{2}(t-s)\right)$  and it is independent of  $\mathcal{F}_s$ .

So it is Brownian Motion  $\blacksquare$

Corollary.  $X_t$ -continuous local martingale, (1D!)

$\langle X, X \rangle_t = t \Rightarrow X_t$  is a standard Brownian Motion.  
 $X_0 = 0$

Corollary (Complex form).  $Z = X + iY$  local martingale

$\langle Z, Z \rangle_t = 0, \langle X, X \rangle_t = t \Leftrightarrow Z$  - 2D Brownian Motion  
 $Z_0 = 0$

Proof  $\langle Z, Z \rangle = \langle X, X \rangle - \langle Y, Y \rangle - 2i \langle X, Y \rangle$ ,

so  $\langle Z, Z \rangle_t = 0$   
 $\langle X, X \rangle_t = t \Leftrightarrow \langle X, X \rangle_t = \langle Y, Y \rangle_t = t$   
 $\langle X, Y \rangle_t = 0$  - can use 2D Levy  $\blacksquare$

Time-changing a process.

**Def** Time-change is a right-continuous function on  $\mathbb{R}_+$   
 $s \rightarrow C_s$ , such that each  $C_s$  is a stopping time,  
 and  $C_s \uparrow$

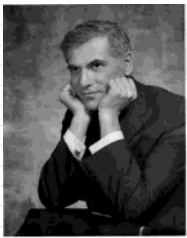
$\hat{X}_s := X_{C_s}$  - time-changed process.

Inverse change:  $A_t := \inf \{s: C_s > t\}$ ,  $A_\infty = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} A_t$

**Properties (easy):** 1)  $\int_0^t H_s dX_s = \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{\{C_s \leq t\}} H_{C_s} dX_{C_s} =$   
 $\int_0^{\min(t, A_\infty)} H_{C_u} dX_{C_u}$

2) If  $C_s$  is a.s. finite vs,  $X$ -continuous local martingale  
 then  $\langle \hat{X}, \hat{X} \rangle = \langle X, X \rangle$ ,  $\hat{X}$  is continuous local  
 martingale, if  $s \rightarrow C_s$  - continuous.

3) If  $H$  is  $(\mathcal{F}_t)$ -progressive,  $\int_0^t H_s^2 d\langle X, X \rangle_s < \infty \forall t$   
 Then  $\int_0^t H_s^2 d\langle \hat{X}, \hat{X} \rangle_s < \infty$  a.s.  $\forall t$  and  
 $\hat{H} \cdot \hat{X} = H \cdot X$



Lester Dubins (1921-2010)



Gideon Schwarz (1933-2007)

**Theorem** (Dambis, Dubins-Schwarz)

If  $M$ -local martingale,  $M_0 = 0$  and  $\langle M, M \rangle_\infty = \infty$  a.s.  
 then, for  $T_t := \inf \{s: \langle M, M \rangle_s > t\}$  ( $\int_0^{\sup \{s: \langle M, M \rangle_s < t\}}$ )

$B_t := M_{T_t}$  is a Brownian motion,

$$M_t = B_{\langle M, M \rangle_t}$$

Any local martingale with  $\langle M, M \rangle_t \rightarrow \infty$  a.s. is a  
 time changed B.M.

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**Lemma**  $(\forall t \in [a, b]) M_t = M_a \iff \langle M, M \rangle_t = \langle M, M \rangle_a$   
 a.s. on a set  $A \in \mathcal{F}_t$  a.s. on  $A$

Proof:  $(\implies)$  Just follows from the definition of quadratic variation as a limit.

$(\impliedby)$  Define  $N_t := M_t - M_{\min(t, a)}$  - local martingale,

$$\langle N, N \rangle_t = \langle M, M \rangle_t - \langle M, M \rangle_a \quad t \geq a$$

Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ , define  $T_\epsilon := \inf \{ t \geq 0, \langle N, N \rangle_t \geq \epsilon \}$ .

Then  $N_{T_\epsilon}^2 = 0$ ,  $\langle N_{T_\epsilon}, N_{T_\epsilon} \rangle_\infty = \langle N, N \rangle_{T_\epsilon} \leq \epsilon$ .

So  $N_{T_\epsilon} \in H^2$ ,  $E((N_{T_\epsilon}^2)) \leq \epsilon$ .

On event  $A = \{ \langle M, M \rangle_b = \langle M, M \rangle_a, T_\epsilon > b \}$ .

$$\text{So } \forall t \in [a, b] \quad E(\mathbb{1}_A N_t^2) = E(\mathbb{1}_A N_{\min(t, T_\epsilon)}^2) \leq E((N_{T_\epsilon}^2)) \leq \epsilon.$$

Let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  to see that

$$E(\mathbb{1}_A N_t^2) = 0 \implies M_t = M_t - M_a = 0 \text{ a.s. on } A.$$

$t \rightarrow T_t^-$  right-continuous, as defined.

$T_t^- = \lim_{s \uparrow t} T_s$ . Then, by flatness lemma,

$s \uparrow t$  since  $\langle M, M \rangle_{T_t^-} = \langle M, M \rangle_{T_t} = t$ , we have

$$M_s = M_{T_t^-} \text{ for all } T_t^- \leq s \leq T_t$$

So  $B_t := M_{T_t^-}$  is a continuous local martingale,

$\langle B, B \rangle_t = \langle M, M \rangle_{T_t^-} = t$ . So, by Levy,  $B$  is

a B.M.

Complex form:

**Def.**  $Z_t = X_t + iY_t$  is conformal local martingale

if  $\langle Z, Z \rangle_t = 0 \forall t$ .

Equivalently:  $Z^2$  - also local martingale

(since  $Z^2 - \langle Z, Z \rangle$  - l.m.)

Equivalently:  $\langle X, X \rangle_t = \langle Y, Y \rangle_t$ ,  $\langle X, Y \rangle_t = 0 \forall t$ .

Observe: If  $H$ -progressively measurable,  $Z$ -conformal l.m.,

then  $(H \cdot Z)_t = \int_0^t H_s dZ_s$  - conformal local martingale

So if  $F$ -analytic, then

$$F(Z_t) = F(z_0) + \int_0^t \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z_s) dZ_s + \int_0^t \frac{\partial F}{\partial \bar{z}}(z_s) d\bar{Z}_s$$

$$\frac{1}{i} \int_0^t \frac{\partial F}{\partial \bar{z}}(z_s) d\langle Z, \bar{Z} \rangle_s = F(z_0) + \int_0^t \frac{\partial F}{\partial z}(z_s) dZ_s \text{ - conformal l.m.}$$

**Theorem**  $Z$  - conformal local martingale,  $\langle X, X \rangle_\infty = \infty$  a.s.

Then  $Z_t = B_{\langle X, X \rangle_t} + z_0$ , where  $B$  -  $\mathbb{R}^2$  B.M. started at 0

Proof. By DDS Theorem,  $X_t = B_{\langle X, X \rangle_t} + X_0$   
 Since  $\langle Y, Y \rangle_t = \langle X, X \rangle_t$ ,  $Y_t = B_{\langle X, X \rangle_t} + Y_0$   
 Since  $\langle X, Y \rangle_t = 0$ , we have  $\langle B^1, B^2 \rangle = 0$ .  
 By Levy,  $(B^1, B^2)$  - 2D B.M.  $\blacksquare$

Theorem (Conformal invariance).

Let  $F: \Omega_1 \rightarrow \Omega_2$  - conformal,  $x \in \Omega_1$ ,  $B_t$  - 2D B.M.

started at  $x$ ,  $T_{\Omega_1} = \inf \{t: B_t \notin \Omega_1\}$ .

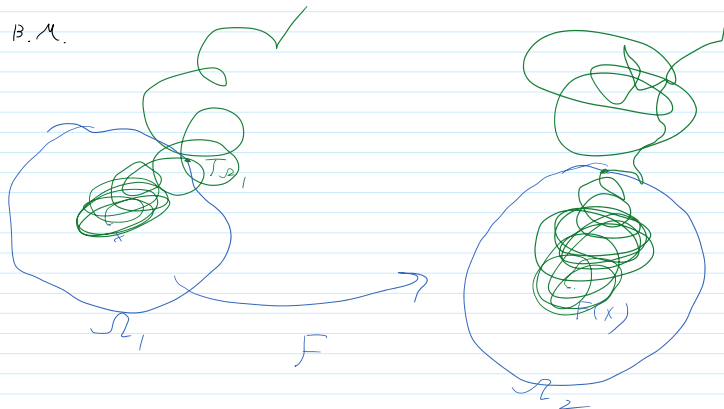
Then  $F(B_t)$  is time-changed 2D B.M.,

i.e.  $\exists \tilde{B}(t)$  - 2D B.M. started at  $F(x)$ ;

$$\forall t \leq T_{\Omega_1}, F(B(t)) = \tilde{B}(s(t)),$$

$$s(t) = \int_0^t |F'(B(s))|^2 ds$$

$$s(T_{\Omega_1}) = T_{\Omega_2} = \inf \{t: \tilde{B}_t \notin \Omega_2\}.$$



Proof. Let us start with  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2$  - bounded.

$F(B_t)$  is a conformal martingale (since bounded i.m.)

with  $\langle F(B_t), F(B_t) \rangle_t = \int_0^t |F'(B_s)|^2 ds$ , by Itô. Strictly increasing, since  $|F'| \neq 0$ .

As  $t \uparrow T_{\Omega_1}$ ,  $F(B_t) \in \Omega_2$ ,  $F(B_t) \rightarrow \partial\Omega_2$  - by boundary correspondence

Since  $\Omega_2$  is bounded,  $F(B_t)$  - bounded, so

a.s.  $\exists \lim_{t \rightarrow T_{\Omega_1}} F(B_t) \in \partial\Omega_2$ , by boundary correspondence

Also, by boundedness,  $T := \int_0^{T_{\Omega_1}} |F'(B_s)|^2 ds = \lim_{t \rightarrow T_{\Omega_1}} \langle F(B_t), F(B_t) \rangle_t < \infty$  a.s.

Problem  $Z_t = F(B_t^{T_{\Omega_1}})$  does not have  $\langle X, X \rangle_\infty = \infty$ .

In fact,  $\langle X, X \rangle_\infty = T < \infty$  a.s.

Let  $(\hat{B}_s)$  - 2D B.M. started at zero, independent of  $(B_t)$ .

$$\text{Define } \tilde{B}_s = F(B(\min(t(s), T_{\Omega_1})) + \hat{B}_s - \hat{B}(\min(s, T))).$$

Informally, we attach an independent copy of 2D B.M.

at  $\lim_{t \uparrow T_{\Omega_1}} F(B_t)$ .

Then  $\tilde{B}_s$  is conformal martingale, as a sum of two independent conformal martingales.  $T = \inf \{s: \tilde{B}_s \notin \Omega_2\}$ , exit time.

If  $\tilde{X}_s = \text{Re } \tilde{B}_s$ ,  $X_s = \text{Re } F(B_{\min(t(s), T_{\Omega_1}))}$ , then

$$\langle \tilde{X}, \tilde{X} \rangle = \langle X, X \rangle + \langle \hat{X}, \hat{X} \rangle - \langle \hat{X}, \hat{X} \rangle \dots =$$

Let  $\tilde{X}_s = \text{Re } B_s$ ,  $X_s = \text{Re } F(B_{\min(t(s), T_{\Omega_1})})$ , then

$$\langle \tilde{X}, \tilde{X} \rangle_s = \langle X, X \rangle_{\min(s, T)} + \langle \tilde{X}, \tilde{X} \rangle_s - \langle \tilde{X}, \tilde{X} \rangle_{\min(s, T)} = \min(s, T) + s - \min(s, T) = s.$$

So  $\tilde{B}_s$  is a 2D B.M. started at  $F(z)$ .

For general  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2$ , consider  $\cup \Omega_1^n = \Omega_1$ ,  $\cup \Omega_2^n = \Omega_2$  -  
 exhaustions by bounded domains,  
 $\Omega_2^n = F(\Omega_1^n)$ .  
 Then Theorem is true up to  $T_{\Omega_1^n}$   $\forall n$ , and  
 $T_{\Omega_1^n} \rightarrow T_{\Omega_1}$

Another way to see it:

Theorem (Kakutani): Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a bounded domain,  
 $f \in C(\partial\Omega)$ . For  $z \in \Omega$ , let  $(B_t^z)$  be 2D B.M.  
 started at  $z$ .  $T_z := \inf\{t: B_t^z \notin \Omega\}$  - exit time.

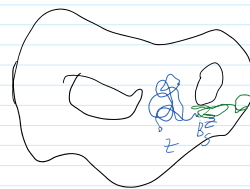
Then  $u(z) = E(f(B_{T_z}^z))$  is the solution of  
 Dirichlet problem with boundary data  $f$ .

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} = f & \text{(in some sense)} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Observe: If  $s < T_z$  - stopping time, then

by OST  $E(f(B_{T_z}^z) | \mathcal{F}_s) = B_s^z$ .

By strong Markov property,  $B_{s+t}^z$  - 2D Brownian motion  
 started at  $B_s^z$ ,  $(B_{T_z}^z | B_s^z)$  has the same law as  
 $(B_{T_z}^{B_s^z} | B_s^z)$



so  $u(z) = E(f(B_{T_z}^z)) = E(E(f(B_{T_z}^z) | \mathcal{F}_s)) = E(u(B_s^z))$ .

In particular, if  $D(z, r) \subset \Omega$ ,

$S = \inf\{t: B_t^z \notin D(z, r)\}$ , then

by rotation symmetry of Brownian motion,

$B_S^z$  is uniformly distributed on the circle

$C_r = \{w: |w-z|=r\}$ .

so  $u(z) = E(u(B_S^z)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z+re^{i\theta}) d\theta$ , so

$u$  is harmonic.

Reminder: Perron solution to Dirichlet problem.

$u$  - solution for Dirichlet problem with boundary values  $f$  if

- 1)  $v$  - subharmonic:  $\forall \zeta \in \partial \Omega \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} v(z) \leq f(\zeta) \Rightarrow \forall z \in \Omega, u(z) \geq v(z)$
- 2)  $v$  - superharmonic:  $\forall \zeta \in \partial \Omega \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} v(z) \geq f(\zeta) \Rightarrow \forall z \in \Omega, u(z) \leq v(z)$ .

Now if  $v$  is subharmonic,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} v(z) \leq f(\zeta) \forall \zeta \in \partial \Omega$ .

Let  $T_n^z := \inf \{t: \text{dist}(B_{\frac{z}{t}}, \partial \Omega) < \frac{1}{n}\}$   $T_n^z \uparrow T^z$ .

Then  $v(B_{\frac{z}{\min(t, T_n^z)}})$  - submartingale (by Ito's if  $v \in C^2$ , approximated

$v(z) \leq E(v(B_{\frac{z}{T_n^z}}))$ . Take  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , get, by Fatou,

$$v(z) \leq E(f(B_{\frac{z}{T^z}})) = u(z)$$

Same reasoning shows that for  $v$  - superharmonic,

$\lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} v(z) \geq f(\zeta)$ , we have  $v(z) \geq u(z)$ .

So  $u$  is Perron solution to Dirichlet problem  $\Rightarrow$