

Quadratic variation

Def $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$ - a filtration, (A_t) - adapted to (\mathcal{F}_t) .

(A_t) is said to have bounded variation if $t \rightarrow (A_t)$ - right-continuous and of bounded variation.

Can define $(X \cdot A)_t(\omega) := \int_0^t X_s(\omega) dA_s(\omega)$ for

X such that $X: [0, t] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is

$(\mathcal{F}_t \times \mathcal{L})$ measurable $\forall t$ (progressively measurable).

But we have:

Lemma. Let $(M_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+}$ be a continuous martingale of bounded variation. Then $M_t \equiv \text{const}$ a.s.

As with Brownian motion, it follows from

Theorem If M is continuous bounded martingale then it has a quadratic variation:

$$\langle M, M \rangle_t = \text{p-lim}_{|\Delta| \rightarrow 0} \sum (M_{t_k} - M_{t_{k-1}})^2$$

Moreover, $\langle M, M \rangle_t$ is unique continuous increasing (even bounded variation) process with $\langle M, M \rangle_0 \equiv 0$ such that $M_t^2 - \langle M, M \rangle_t$ is a martingale.

Proof (outline) Let $\Delta = \{t_1, t_2, \dots\}$ be a partition of \mathbb{R}_+ .

$$T_t^\Delta := \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (M_{t_{i+1}} - M_{t_i})^2 + (M_t - M_{t_n})^2, \text{ where } n = \max\{i: t_i \leq t\}$$

Observe: $M_t^2 - T_t^\Delta$ - continuous martingale.

$$E(M_t^2 - T_t^\Delta | \mathcal{F}_s) = E(M_t^2 - M_s^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) + E(M_s^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) -$$

$$E(T_t^\Delta - T_s^\Delta | \mathcal{F}_s) = M_s^2 - T_s^\Delta, \text{ since}$$

$$\text{for } t_i \leq s < t_{i+1}, E((M_{t_{i+1}} - M_{t_i})^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) = E((M_{t_{i+1}} - M_s)^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) +$$

$$(M_s - M_{t_i})^2, \text{ and if } t_i > s, \text{ then } E((M_{t_{i+1}} - M_{t_i})^2 | \mathcal{F}_s) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} E \left(E \left((M_{t_{i+1}} - M_{t_i})^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_{t_i} \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right) &= E \left(M_{t_{i+1}}^2 - M_{t_i}^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right), \text{ so} \\ E \left(T_t^\Delta - T_s^\Delta \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right) &= E \left(M_t^2 - M_s^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right). \end{aligned}$$

Need to show. $|\Delta| \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow T_t^{\Delta_n}$ converges in L^2 .

Observe: Δ, Δ' - two subdivisions, then

$$T_t^\Delta - T_t^{\Delta'} = (M_t^2 - T_t^{\Delta'}) - (M_t^2 - T_t^\Delta) - \text{martingale.}$$

$$\text{and } E \left((T_t^\Delta - T_t^{\Delta'})^2 \right) = E \left(T_t^{\Delta \cup \Delta'} (T_t^\Delta - T_t^{\Delta'}) \right)$$

By $(x+y)^2 \leq 2(x^2+y^2)$, we have

$$T_t^{\Delta \cup \Delta'} (T_t^\Delta - T_t^{\Delta'}) \leq 2 \left(T_t^{\Delta \cup \Delta'} (T_t^\Delta) - T_t^{\Delta \cup \Delta'} (T_t^{\Delta'}) \right)$$

Operation T_t applied to martingale $T_t^\Delta - T_t^{\Delta'}$.

So to show local L^2 convergence, it is enough to show that $E \left(T_t^{\Delta \cup \Delta'} (T_t^\Delta) \right) \rightarrow 0$ as $|\Delta| + |\Delta'| \rightarrow 0$.

This is done by Doob Maximal Thm + Schwarz inequality

So we get that $\exists F(t): \lim_{|\Delta| \rightarrow 0} E \left((T_t^{\Delta_n} - F(t))^2 \right) = 0$ $\forall t$.

Again by Doob, it implies that $E \left(\sup_{s \leq t} (T_s^{\Delta_n} - F(s))^2 \right) \rightarrow 0$.

So $\exists \Delta_n$ -sequence of partitions,

$\Delta_{n+1} \supset \Delta_n$ -refinement, such that

$$\sup_{s \leq t} |T_s^{\Delta_n} - F(s)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s. in } P.$$

So, since $T_s^{\Delta_n}$ is continuous, so is $F(s)$.

$\forall s, t \in \bigcup_n \Delta_n, s < t \Rightarrow \exists N: s, t \in \Delta_N$.

Then $T_s^{\Delta_n} \leq T_t^{\Delta_n} \Rightarrow F(s)$ is increasing on $\bigcup_n \Delta_n \Rightarrow$

by continuity, $F(s)$ is increasing on $[0, t]$.

(although, T_s^Δ is not always increasing).

Since $T_t^{\Delta_n} \xrightarrow{L^2} F$, and $M_t^2 - T_t^{\Delta_n}$ is a martingale,

so is $M_t^2 - F$. Take $\langle M, M \rangle_t := F(t)$.

Uniqueness: F, F' - two such processes \Rightarrow

$F = F'$ - bounded variation, martingale \Rightarrow

$$F - F' \equiv 0$$

Corollary Let T -stopping time. Then

$$\langle M^T, M^T \rangle_t = \langle M, M \rangle_t^T \quad (:= \langle M, M \rangle_{\min(t, T)})$$

\uparrow stopped martingale \uparrow stopped quadratic variation

Proof. By OST, $(M_t^T)^2 - \langle M, M \rangle_t^T$ - martingale.

By uniqueness, $\langle M, M \rangle_t^T = \langle M^T, M^T \rangle_t$.

But the theorem does not even work for
Brownian Motion!

Need:

Def Local martingale:

$(M_t) - (F_t)$ adapted process: \exists sequence
of stopping time T_n such that:

① $T_n \uparrow$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n = \infty$ a.s

② $\forall n$, $M_t^{T_n} \big|_{\mathcal{F}_{T_n > 0}}$ is a uniformly integrable martingale.

Remarks:

1) Every martingale is a local martingale.
($T_n = n$).

2) Define $S_n := \min(\inf\{t: |M_t| \geq n, T_n\}$
Then $M_t^{S_n}$ is bounded (by n), $S_n \neq \infty$,
 $S_n \leq S_{n+1}$. So equivalently can replace

② with bounded martingales.

3) An example of local martingale which is not a martingale.

Let (B_t) - standard B.M. $T = \inf \{t: B_t = -1\}$, $T < \infty$ a.s.

B_t^T is a martingale. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} B_t^T = -1$ a.s.

Consider $X_t = \begin{cases} B_{t-1}^T, & 0 \leq t < 1 \\ -1, & 1 \leq t < \infty \end{cases}$ - continuous a.s.

For $t < 1$, X_t is just reparameterization of B.M., so

$E(X_t) = E(X_0) = 0$. But for $t \geq 1$, $E(X_t) = -1 \neq 0$ - not a martingale.

Let $T_n := \begin{cases} \inf \{t: X_t = n\} \\ n, & \text{if } X_t \neq n \forall t \text{ (i.e. } B_t \neq n \forall t \leq T) \end{cases}$

Then $T_n \uparrow \infty$, since $T_n = n$ if $n > \max_{t \leq T} B_t$. So for a.s. ω ,

$T_n(\omega) = n$ for $n > N(\omega) := \max_{t \leq T} B_t$.

So $X_t^{T_n} = B_{t \wedge T_n}^T$ - bounded (by -1 and n)

So $X_t^{T_n}$ - reparameterized stopped B.M. - martingale

Thm Let (M_t) be a continuous local martingale

Then there exists unique $\langle M, M \rangle_t$ - continuous adapted increasing process with $\langle M, M \rangle_0 = 0$ such that $M_t^2 - \langle M, M \rangle_t$ - continuous local martingale.

Moreover, $\forall t, \forall (\Delta_n)$ - sequence of partitions of $[0, t]$ with $|\Delta_n| \rightarrow 0$, we have

$$\sup_{s \leq t} |T_s^{\Delta_n}(M) - \langle M, M \rangle_s| \rightarrow 0 \text{ in Probability.}$$

Proof. Choose $T_n \uparrow \infty$ - stopping times such that $(M_t^{T_n})$ - bounded martingales $\forall n$.

Then $\forall n \exists A_n (= \langle M^{T_n}, M^{T_n} \rangle)$ - increasing process with $A_n(0) = 0$, $(M_t^{T_n})^2 - A_n(t)$ - bounded martingale.

Observe: $(M_t^{T_{n+1}})^2 - A_{n+1}(t) \mathbb{1}_{\{T_n > 0\}}$ - also a martingale.
 equal to $(M_t^{T_n})^2 - A_{n+1}(t)$. By uniqueness, $A_{n+1}(t) = A_n(t)$
 if $T_n > t$.

Define $\langle M, M \rangle_t = A_n(t)$ on the set $\{t < T_n\}$.

Then $(M^{T_n})^2 - \langle M, M \rangle^{T_n}$ is a bounded martingale.

$(M^2 - \langle M, M \rangle)^{T_n}$. So $(M^2 - \langle M, M \rangle)$ is a local martingale.

For the second part, fix $\varepsilon, \delta > 0, t > 0$. Then $\exists U$ -stopping time:
 such that $M^U \mathbb{1}_{\{U > 0\}}$ is bounded and $P(U \leq t) < \delta$
 (take T_n for large n). Since $T^*(M)$ and $\langle M, M \rangle$
 are the same as U -stopped version on $[0, U]$
 we have

$$P\left(\sup_{s \leq t} |T_s^{\Delta_n}(M) - \langle M, M \rangle_s| > \varepsilon\right) \leq \delta + P\left(\sup_{s \leq t} |T_s^{\Delta_n}(M^U) - \langle M^U, M^U \rangle_s| > \varepsilon\right).$$

The last term tends to 0 as $|\Delta_n| \rightarrow 0$.

Finally, uniqueness follows from existence of q.v.,
 as before. ■

Polarization: M, N -continuous local martingales

Then unique process $\langle M, N \rangle_t$ of bounded variation,

$\langle M, N \rangle_0 = 0$ such that $MN - \langle M, N \rangle$ - continuous local martingale. P -lim $\sup_{s \leq t} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n (M_{t_i} - M_{t_{i-1}})(N_{t_i} - N_{t_{i-1}}) - \langle M, N \rangle_s \right| = 0$

Proof. Existence: $\langle M, N \rangle := \frac{1}{4} (\langle M+N, M+N \rangle - \langle M-N, M-N \rangle)$

Uniqueness: From existence of q.v., as before

Limit. Both sides satisfy polarization. ■

Remarks 1) If T is stopping time,

$$\langle MT, NT \rangle = \langle M, NT \rangle = \langle M, N \rangle_T.$$

(①) = ③ - obvious, ② = ③, because of P-lim property,
 $\forall s \leq t \quad \langle M^T, N^T \rangle_s = \langle M^T, N \rangle_s = \langle M, N \rangle_s \mathbb{1}_{\{T \geq t\}}$
 $\langle M^T, N^T \rangle_t - \langle M^T, N^T \rangle_s = \langle M^T, N \rangle_t - \langle M^T, N \rangle_s = 0$ on
 $\{T \leq s \leq t\}$.

This implies that $M^T, N^T - M, N$ - local martingale.

2) $\langle M, M \rangle_t = 0 \Leftrightarrow M = \text{const} (M_t = M_0 \text{ a.s. } \forall t)$.

Since $\langle M, M \rangle_t = 0 \Leftrightarrow E(M_t^2) = E(M_0^2) \Leftrightarrow E((M_t - M_0)^2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow M_t = M_0$.

Def. (H_t) is called measurable if $(\omega, t) \rightarrow H_t(\omega)$ is $\mathcal{F}_\infty \otimes \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ measurable ($\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ - Borel σ -algebra).

Proposition Let M, N - continuous local martingales,

H, K - measurable processes. Then $\forall t \leq \infty$, a.s.

$$\int_0^t |H_s| |K_s| |d\langle M, N \rangle_s| \leq \left(\int_0^t H_s^2 d\langle M, M \rangle_s \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_0^t K_s^2 d\langle N, N \rangle_s \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

total variation

Proof. Need only to prove for $t < \infty$, bounded H and K , and take limits.

By changing signs of H_s and K_s , only need to prove

that $\left| \int_0^t H_s K_s d\langle M, N \rangle_s \right| \leq \dots$

The usual Cauchy-type argument.

Consider $\langle M, M \rangle_t + 2r \langle M, N \rangle_t + r^2 \langle N, N \rangle_t \geq 0 \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{R}$

(since $= \langle M + rN, M + rN \rangle_t \geq 0$).

So, by computing the usual discriminant,

$$|k_{M, N, S}^t| \leq (\langle M, M \rangle_S^t)^{1/2} (\langle N, N \rangle_S^t)^{1/2}$$

So if we take $k = \sum k_i \mathbb{1}_{[t_i, t_{i+1})}$ $0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n = t$ - partition.
 $H = \sum H_i \mathbb{1}_{[t_i, t_{i+1})}$

Then by this inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_S H_s k_s \langle M, N \rangle_S \right| &\leq \sum |H_i k_i| |\langle M, N \rangle_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}}| \leq \\ &\left(\sum |H_i| (\langle M, M \rangle_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}})^{1/2} \cdot |k_i| (\langle N, N \rangle_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}})^{1/2} \right) \leq \text{Cauchy} \\ &\left(\sum H_i^2 \langle M, M \rangle_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum k_i^2 \langle N, N \rangle_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \right)^{1/2} = \\ &\left(\int_0^t H^2 d\langle M, M \rangle \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_0^t k^2 d\langle N, N \rangle \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Then approximate arbitrary H, k by step functions



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Corollary (Kunita - Watanabe inequality)

$\forall p \geq 1 \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left(\int_0^\infty |H_s| |k_s| |d\langle M, N \rangle_s| \right) &\leq \left\| \left(\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d\langle M, M \rangle_s \right)^{1/2} \right\|_p \\ &\left\| \left(\int_0^\infty k_s^2 d\langle N, N \rangle_s \right)^{1/2} \right\|_q. \end{aligned}$$

Proof Previous inequality + Itô / deo

Remark We'll use it for $p=q=2$:

$$E \left(\int_0^\infty |H_s| |k_s| |d\langle M, N \rangle_s| \right) \leq E \left(\int_0^\infty H_s^2 d\langle M, M \rangle_s \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_0^\infty k_s^2 d\langle N, N \rangle_s \right)^{1/2}$$

$$E \left(\int_0^t |H_s| |K_s| |d \langle M, N \rangle_s| \right) \leq E \left(\int_0^t |H_s| d \langle M, M \rangle_s \right) \\ E \left(\int_0^t K_s^2 d \langle N, N \rangle_s \right)^{1/2}$$