

Tanaka equation

recall Under locally uniform Lipschitz cont. of coefficients we have existence and pathwise uniqueness of solutions to SDE.

$$\hookrightarrow P(X_0 = \tilde{X}_0) = 1 \Rightarrow P(\forall t \geq 0 : X_t = \tilde{X}_t) = 1$$

Today: an example where this fails.

$$\mathcal{F}_t^B = \sigma(B_s : s \leq t)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^B = \sigma(N \cup \mathcal{F}_t^B)$$

Prop Let B be SBM, $\{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^B\}$ = augmented filtration. Then

$$dX_t = \text{sgn}(X_t) dB_t$$

where $\text{sgn}(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

admits no strong solutions.

$$X_0 > 0 \dots X_t = X_0 + B_t \text{ until } \tau_0 = \inf\{s \geq 0 : X_s + B_s = 0\}$$

after τ_0 , X follows the excursion if $X \geq 0$ but opposite when $X < 0$. The latter runs into a conflict with SDE.

Fact: Itô formula applies to f_ε .

$$f_\varepsilon(B_t) = f_\varepsilon(B_0) + \int_0^t \text{sgn}(B_s) dB_s + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \int_0^t \frac{1}{\{B_s < \varepsilon\}} ds$$

Note: $|x| \leq f_\varepsilon(x) \leq |x| \vee \varepsilon$ so $f_\varepsilon(B_t) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} |B_t|$

$$|f'_\varepsilon(x) - \text{sgn}(x)| \leq 1_{(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^t E \left(\left| \int_0^s f'_\varepsilon(B_u) dB_u - \int_0^s \text{sgn}(B_u) dB_u \right|^2 \right) \\ & \stackrel{\text{Itô}}{\leq} E \int_0^t \frac{1}{\{B_s < \varepsilon\}} ds = \int_0^t P(|B_s| < \varepsilon) ds \\ & \leq 2\varepsilon \int_0^t \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} ds = 4\varepsilon \sqrt{t} \quad \boxed{X} \end{aligned}$$

Pf of Prop: Assume X is strong solution to $dX_t = \text{sgn}(X_t) dB_t$
adapted to $\{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^B\}_{t \geq 0}$. Then

$$\langle X \rangle_t = \int_0^t \text{sgn}(X_s)^2 ds = \int_0^t ds = t$$

Lévy char: $X \rightsquigarrow SBM$. Then

$$\int_0^t \text{sgn}(X_s) dX_s = \int_0^t \text{sgn}(X_s) \text{sgn}(X_s) dB_s = \int_0^t dB_s = B_t$$

Taking $\varepsilon_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$, Tanaka's formula gives

$$B_t = \int_0^t \text{Sign}(X_s) dX_s = |X_t| - |X_0| - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\varepsilon_n} \int_0^t \mathbf{1}_{|X_s| < \varepsilon} ds \quad a.s.$$

Hence we get:

$$\forall t \geq 0: \mathcal{F}_t^B \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^{|X|}$$

But X is a solution, so $\mathcal{F}_t^X \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t^B$ and so

$$\forall t \geq 0: \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^X \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^B \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^{|X|}$$

Lemma $\forall t > 0: \{X_t = X_0 > 0\} \notin \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^{|X|}$. (wlog $X_0 = 0$)

Pf Let $G_t := \{A \in \mathcal{F}: E(X_t \mathbf{1}_A) = 0\}$.

Then G_t is σ -algebra. Now for any $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$, $s \leq t$:

$$E(X_t \mathbf{1}_{|X_s| \in B}) = E((X_t - X_s) \mathbf{1}_{|X_s| \in B}) + E(X_s \mathbf{1}_{|X_s| \in B})$$

So $\{|X_s| \in B\} \in G_t$. So $\mathcal{F}_t^{|X|} \subseteq G_t$. Since $N \subseteq G_t$, we have $\widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^{|X|} \subseteq G_t$. But $E(X_t \mathbf{1}_{\{X_t > 0\}}) > 0$ unless $t = 0$. So $\{X_t > 0\} \notin \widetilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^{|X|}$. \blacksquare

Note $dX_t = \text{sign}(X_t) dB_t$ where $\text{sign}(x) := \begin{cases} +1 & x > 0 \\ -1 & x < 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$
 has strong solution $X_t = X_0 + \text{sign}(X_0) B_{t \wedge \tau_2}$.

Note There's a way to solve Tanaka eq:

Let $X = \text{SBM}$. Define $B_t := \int_0^t \text{sgn}(X_s) dX_s$
 defines SBM s.t. $dX_t = \text{sgn}(X_t) dB_t$.

This produces an instance of

Def A weak solution to an SDE is the four-tuple

$$((\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P), \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}, B, X)$$

s.t. X is a strong solution to the SDE for

standard setting provided by $((\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P), \{\mathcal{F}_t\}, B, X_0)$.

Note All we needed was to change filtration to $\{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_t^X\}$.

Weakening of concept of solution may ruin uniqueness.

Lemma Let X be a strong solution to $dX_t = \text{sgn}(X_t) dB_t$,
Set $\tau := \inf \{t \geq 1 : X_t = 0\}$ for a fourtuple
above.

and define $\tilde{X}_t := \begin{cases} X_t & t \leq \tau \\ -X_t & t > \tau. \end{cases}$

Then \tilde{X} is also a strong solution.

So no pathwise uniqueness for Tanaka equation.

Pf \tilde{X} is continuous, adapted because

$$\{\tilde{X}_t \in A\} = \{X_t \in A\} \cap \{\tau \leq t\} \cup (\{-X_t \in A\} \cap \{\tau > t\})$$

SMP/Lévy char: \tilde{X} is SBM

$$\int_0^t \text{sgn}(\tilde{X}_s) dB_s = \int_0^t [2 \cdot 1_{\tau > s} - 1] \text{sgn}(X_s) dB_s$$

$$= 2(X_{\tau \wedge t} - X_0) - (X_t - X_0)$$

$$= 2X_{\tau \wedge t} - X_t - X_0 = \tilde{X}_t - \tilde{X}_0. \quad \square$$