

Lecture 5 Filtrations, stopping times.

$\mathbb{T} = [0, \infty)$, $[0, \infty]$ unless stated $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

Def A filtration $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in [0, \infty)}$ is a seq of σ -algebras

$$\mathcal{F}_t \subseteq \mathcal{F} \quad \text{st} \quad s \leq t \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_s \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\infty = \sigma\left(\bigcup_{t=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_t\right) \quad \mathcal{F}_t \uparrow \mathcal{F}_\infty \quad -$$

A SP $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is adapted to (\mathcal{F}_t) if

$$X_t \in m \mathcal{F}_t \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Canonical filtration

$$\mathcal{F}_t^X = \sigma(\{X_s : s \in [0, t]\})$$

$$\mathcal{F}_\infty^X = \sigma(\{X_t : t \in [0, \infty)\})$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{F}_{t+} := \bigcap_{s > t} \mathcal{F}_s} \quad \mathcal{F}_{t-} = \sigma\left(\bigcup_{s < t} \mathcal{F}_s\right)$$

both of these are filtrations

$$\mathcal{G}_t := \mathcal{F}_{t+}$$

(\mathcal{F}_t) is right continuous if $\forall t$

$$\mathcal{F}_{t+} = \mathcal{F}_t.$$

We always assume (\mathcal{F}_t) complete $\mathcal{N} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t$
 \swarrow null sets.

I want to be able to talk about $X_{\tau(\omega)}(\omega)$

Def $(X_t)_{t \in [0, \infty)}$ is progressively measurable if adap.

$\forall t$

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

$$(s, \omega) \mapsto X_s(\omega)$$

is measurable on $\mathbb{B}_{[0, t]} \times \mathcal{F}_t$ \square

Lemma If (X_t) is right continuous, adapted then it is prog. meas.

Proof Same as for measurab.

Def $\tau: \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is an (\mathcal{F}_t) stopping time if $\forall t$ $\{\omega: \tau(\omega) \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$.

$$\mathcal{F}_\tau := \{A \in \mathcal{F}_\infty : \{\tau \leq t\} \cap A \in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t\}$$

Rmk $\{\tau < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$

Why? Take $t_k \uparrow t$. Then

$$\{\tau < t\} = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{\tau \leq t_k\} \Rightarrow \{\tau < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$$

$\hookrightarrow \in \mathcal{F}_{t_k} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t$

Rmk $\{\tau = \infty\} = \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\{\tau \leq k\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_k} \right)^c \in \mathcal{F}_\infty$

$$\mathcal{F}_{t+} \supseteq \mathcal{F}_t$$

Def A stopping time for \mathcal{F}_{t+} is called Markov time.

In general $\mathcal{F}_{t+} \neq \mathcal{F}_t$

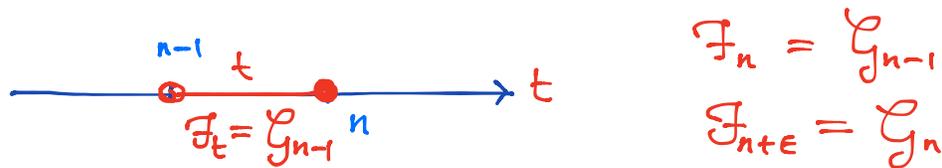
(Stopping \Rightarrow Markov time not vice versa in general)

Example $(\mathcal{G}_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}}$ discrete time filtration

$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} \quad \mathcal{G}_n := \sigma(\{Z_0, Z_1, \dots, Z_n\}) \quad Z_i = \omega_i$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \underline{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_t := \mathcal{G}_{\lfloor t \rfloor - 1}$$



$$\mathcal{F}_{n+} = \bigcap_{\epsilon > 0} \mathcal{F}_{n+\epsilon} = \underline{\mathcal{G}_n} \neq \underline{\mathcal{F}_n}$$

$$\tau(\omega) = \inf \{ n : \omega_n \geq a \}$$

$$\{ \tau(\omega) \leq n \} \in \mathcal{G}_n \quad ; \quad \notin \mathcal{G}_{n-1}$$

$$\{ \tau(\omega) \leq n \} \in \mathcal{F}_{n+} \quad ; \quad \notin \mathcal{F}_n$$

Markov time but not stopping

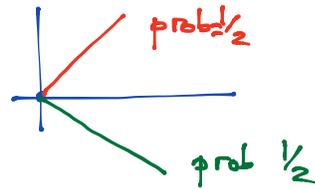
\mathcal{F}_t ; $\mathcal{F}_{t+} = \bigcap_{s>t} \mathcal{F}_s$ in general $\mathcal{F}_t \neq \mathcal{F}_{t+}$

$\mathcal{G}_t = \mathcal{F}_{t+}$; $\mathcal{G}_{t+} = \bigcap_{s>t} \mathcal{G}_s$ $\mathcal{G}_{t+} = \mathcal{G}_t$.

Continuous sample paths \Rightarrow Right cont \mathcal{F}_t^X

Example $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = (\{+1, -1\}, 2^{\{+1, -1\}}, \text{Unif})$

$$X_t(\omega) = \omega t$$



$$\mathcal{F}_0^X = \sigma(\{X_0\}) = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_t^X \supseteq \sigma(\{X_t\}) = 2^\Omega \quad \mathcal{F}_t^X = 2^\Omega$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{0+}^X = 2^\Omega \neq \mathcal{F}_0^X.$$

Proposition (1) τ is Markov for \mathcal{F}_t iff

$\{\tau < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t$ iff $\tau \wedge t$ is \mathcal{F}_t meas $\forall t$

(2) τ a Markov time

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\tau+} &:= \{A \in \mathcal{F}_\infty : \{\tau \leq t\} \cap A \in \mathcal{F}_{t+} \forall t\} \\ &= \{A \in \mathcal{F}_\infty : \{\tau < t\} \cap A \in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t\} \end{aligned}$$

(3) τ stopping. $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_\tau \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\tau+}$, if right cont then $\mathcal{F}_\tau = \mathcal{F}_{\tau+}$.

(4) If τ stopping, then τ is \mathcal{F}_τ measur.

(5) $\tau = t$ constant is a stopping time

$$\mathcal{F}_\tau = \mathcal{F}_t, \mathcal{F}_{\tau+} = \mathcal{F}_{t+}.$$

(6) τ, σ stopping $\Rightarrow \tau \vee \sigma, \tau \wedge \sigma$ stopping

(7) $(\tau_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ stopping $\Rightarrow \sup_n \tau_n$ stopping

(8) $(\tau_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ Markov $\Rightarrow \inf_n \tau_n$ Markov.

Proof of (1) τ Markov iff $\{\tau < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t$

$$\begin{aligned} (\Rightarrow) \quad \{\tau < t\} &= \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{\{\tau < t_k\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_{t_k} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t} \quad t_k \uparrow t \\ &\quad t_k < t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\Leftarrow) \quad \{\tau \leq t\} &= \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \{\tau < s_k\} \quad s_k \downarrow t \\ &= \bigcap_{k=k_0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\{\tau < s_k\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_{s_k} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{t+\epsilon}} \in \mathcal{F}_{t+\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

Fix $\epsilon > 0$

$\exists k_0: \underline{s_k < t + \epsilon \forall k \geq k_0}$

$$\{\tau \leq t\} \in \bigcap_{\epsilon > 0} \mathcal{F}_{t+\epsilon} = \mathcal{F}_t$$

τ Markov time $\Leftrightarrow \tau \wedge t$ is \mathcal{F}_t meas $\forall t$

$$(\Leftarrow) \quad \{\tau < t\} = \{\tau \wedge t < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$$

(\Rightarrow) Need to check $\{\tau \wedge t < s\} \in \mathcal{F}_t \forall t, s$
 $t < s$ obvious; $t \geq s \quad \{\tau \wedge t < s\} = \{\tau < s\} \in \mathcal{F}_s \subseteq \mathcal{F}_t$

(8) $(\tau_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ Markov times $\Rightarrow \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \tau_n$ Markov

$\{\inf_n \tau_n < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ \leftarrow Need to prove this

$$\{\inf_n \tau_n < t\} = \bigcup_n \{\tau_n < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$$

Does not hold if \leq

□

$$\{\inf_n \tau_n \leq t\} \neq \bigcup_n \{\tau_n \leq t\}$$

$$\tau_n = 1/n \quad t = 0$$

□

Proposition $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ prog. meas. τ an \mathcal{F}_t stopping

then $Y_t = X_{t \wedge \tau}$ is prog. meas.

In particular if either $\tau < \infty$ a.s or $X_0 \in m\mathcal{F}_0$

then $X_\tau \in m\mathcal{F}_\tau$. \square

Proof $\mathcal{X} = [0, t] \times \Omega$,

$$\mathcal{Y} = \overline{B}_{[0, t]} \times \mathcal{F}_t$$

(Here we prove in part.

$$X_{\tau \wedge t} = Y_t \in m\mathcal{F}_t$$

$$X(s, \omega) = X_s(\omega) ; X : (\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$$

$$Y(s, \omega) := Y_s(\omega)$$

$$Y(s, \omega) = X(s \wedge \tau(\omega), \omega) = \underline{X \circ h(s, \omega)} \quad \checkmark$$

$$h(s, \omega) = \underbrace{(s \wedge \tau(\omega), \omega)}_{\in m\mathcal{F}_s \subseteq m\mathcal{F}_t} \in m\mathcal{Y} \Rightarrow Y \in m\mathcal{Y}$$

If either $\tau < \infty$ a.s. or $X_\infty \in m\mathcal{F}_\infty$, then $X_\tau \in m\mathcal{F}_\tau$

Fix $B \in \mathcal{B}_\mathbb{R}$

Need to check $X_\tau^{-1}(B) \cap \{\tau \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ (*)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{*} X_\tau^{-1}(B) \cap \{\tau \leq t\} &= \{\omega: X_{\tau(\omega)}(\omega) \in B; \tau(\omega) \leq t\} \\ &= \{\omega: X_{\tau(\omega) \wedge t} \in B, \tau(\omega) \leq t\} \\ &= \underbrace{\{\omega: X_{\tau(\omega) \wedge t} \in B\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_t \text{ by first part}} \cap \underbrace{\{\omega: \tau(\omega) \leq t\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_t \text{ since } \tau \text{ stopping}} \end{aligned}$$

For $t = \infty$

$$= \{\omega: X_{\tau(\omega)} \in B\}$$

Need to check (*) for $t = \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} X_\tau^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}_\infty &\quad \underbrace{X_\tau^{-1}(B)}_{\in \mathcal{F}_\infty} = \underbrace{X_\tau^{-1}(B) \cap \{\tau < \infty\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_\infty} \cup \underbrace{X_\tau^{-1}(B) \cap \{\tau = \infty\}}_{\in \mathcal{F}_\infty} \\ &\quad \parallel \\ &\quad \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \underbrace{[X_\tau^{-1}(B) \cap \tau^{-1}([0, n])]_{\mathcal{F}_n \subseteq \mathcal{F}_\infty}} \cup \underbrace{[X_\infty^{-1}(B) \cap \tau^{-1}(\infty)]}_{\in \mathcal{F}_\infty} \end{aligned}$$

$$Y_t = X_{\tau \wedge t} \quad Y_\infty = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \tau = \infty \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Y_t & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$X_\tau = \underbrace{Y_\infty}_{\in m\mathcal{F}_\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\tau < \infty} + \underbrace{X_\infty}_{\in m\mathcal{F}_\infty} \underbrace{\mathbb{1}_{\tau = \infty}}_{\in m\mathcal{F}_\infty} \in m\mathcal{F}_\infty$$