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1. Let  $(X(t))_{t \geq 0}$  be an arithmetic Brownian motion with  $X(0) = -2$ , drift 1, volatility 2. Find  $\mathbb{E}[(X(2) + X(3))^2]$ .

A. 36  
 B. 37

C. 68  
D. 69  
E. 70

$$\mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}^2] + \mathbb{E}[X_{(3)}^2] + 2\mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}X_{(3)}]$$

$$X_{(2)} = -2 + 2 + 2Z_{(2)} = 2Z_{(2)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}^2] = 4\mathbb{E}[Z_{(2)}^2] \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[Z_{(2)}^2] = 2$$

$$X_{(3)} = -2 + 3 + 2Z_{(3)}$$

$$[X_{(3)}]^2 = 1 + 4Z_{(3)}^2 + 4Z_{(3)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\downarrow] = 1 + 12 = 13$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}^2] + \mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}(X_{(3)} - Z_{(2)})]$$

$$\delta + \mathbb{E}[X_{(2)}] \mathbb{E}[X_{(3)}] \quad \delta x_2 = 16$$

2. Let  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ . Let  $(S(t))_{t \geq 0}$  be a geometric Brownian motion with  $S(0) = 25$ , drift  $-1$  and  $\mathbb{P}(S(2) \leq 50) = \mathbb{P}(Z \leq 0.5)$ . Find the volatility.

A.  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2 + \ln 2}$

$$\delta T_2 = S_0 \cdot e^{-2 + \sigma/\ln 2}$$

B.  $\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2 + \ln 2}$

$$= 25 \cdot e^{-2 + \sigma/\ln 2}$$

C.  $\sqrt{2}(2 + \ln 2)$

$$e^{-2 + \sigma/\ln 2} \approx 2.$$

D.  $\frac{2 + \ln 2}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\delta T_2 \approx \delta Z_2 \approx \frac{\ln 2 + 2}{\delta T_2} = \frac{1}{T_2}$$

E.  $\frac{2 + \ln 2}{2\sqrt{2}}$

$$\delta T_2 = \frac{2\ln 2 + 4}{T_2}$$

$$= T_2 \ln 2 + 2T_2$$

3. Let  $(Z(t))_{t \geq 0}$  be a standard Brownian motion. Find  $\mathbb{E}(e^{Z(3)} | Z(1) = -1)$ .

- A. 1
- B.  $e^{-0.5}$
- C.  $e^{0.5}$
- D.  $e^{-1}$
- E.  $e$

~~$$Z_3 = Z_{11} + (Z_{01} - Z_{11}) = -1 + (Z_{01} - Z_{11})$$~~

$$\mathbb{E} e^{-1+ (Z_{01} - Z_{11})} \sim N(-1, 2).$$

$$= \mathbb{E} e^{-1 + \bar{\mu} Z}.$$

$$= e^{-1} \cdot \mathbb{E} e^{\bar{\mu} Z}$$

$$= e^{-1} \cdot e^{\bar{\mu}}.$$

4. Let  $(X(k))_{k \geq 0}$  be a symmetric random walk. Then  $\mathbb{P}(X(10) \geq X(3) + 6) =$

- A.  $\frac{1}{2^4}$
- B.  $\frac{1}{2^5}$
- C.  $\frac{1}{2^6}$
- D.  $\frac{1}{2^7}$
- E.  $\frac{1}{2^8}$

~~$$X(10) - X_3 \geq 6.$$~~

~~$$X(7) \geq 6.$$~~

~~$$\underline{\mathbb{P}}(X_7 + 7) = 6 \cdot 7.$$~~

$$\binom{7}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{2^7}$$

5. Let  $(X(k))_{k \geq 0}$  be a symmetric random walk. Which of the following pairs of random variables is/are independent?

- I.  $X(7)$  and  $X(4) - X(2)$
- ~~II.~~  $X(7) - X(4)$  and  $X(4) - X(2)$
- ~~III.~~  $X(7) - X(4) + X(2)$  and  $X(4) - X(2)$

A. I and II only

B. I only

C. II and III only

D. II only

E. I and III only

$$(X_{11} - X_{14}) + (X_{12} - X_{10}) \quad \text{and} \quad (X_{10} - X_{12})$$

$$\text{cov}(X_{11} - X_{14}, X_{12} - X_{10})$$

$$= E(X_{11} - X_{14}, X_{12} - X_{10})$$

$$= E(X_{11} - X_{14})(X_{12} - X_{10}) + E(X_{12} - X_{10})^2 = 0$$

6. Let  $(S(k))_{k \geq 0}$  be a geometric random walk with  $S(0) = 18$ ,  $u = 2$ ,  $d = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $p = \frac{2}{3}$ . Find

$$\mathbb{E} \max(15 - S(2), 0).$$

A.  $\frac{19}{9}$

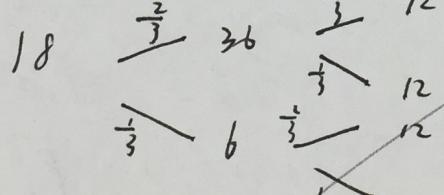
B.  $\frac{22}{9}$

~~C.~~  $\frac{25}{9}$

D.  $\frac{28}{9}$

E.  $\frac{31}{9}$

$$S_{10}, \quad S_{11}, \quad S_{12}, \quad \max(15 - S_{12}, 0)$$



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~~max(15 - S(2), 0)~~

$$\frac{12}{9} + \frac{12}{9} = \frac{25}{9}$$

7. Let  $(X(t))_{t \geq 0}$  be a Poisson process with rate 3. Find  $\mathbb{E}(X(2.5)^2 | X(1.5) = 2)$ .

- A. 22
- B. 24
- C. 25
- D. 27
- E. 28

$$\begin{aligned} X(2.5) &= 2 + (X(2.5) - X(1.5)) \\ &= 2 + X(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &4 + X_{11}^2 + 4X_{11} \\ &4 + \mathbb{E}X_{11}^2 + 4\mathbb{E}X_{11} \quad \sim \text{Poisson}(3). \\ &4 + 12 + 12 \end{aligned}$$

8. Let  $(X(t))_{t \geq 0}$  be a Poisson process with rate 2. Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be the time it takes for  $X(t)$  to reach 1 and 2, respectively.

$$T_1 = \inf\{t > 0 : X(t) = 1\}.$$

$$T_2 = \inf\{t > 0 : X(t) = 2\}.$$

$X_B \sim \text{Poisson}\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)$

Find  $\mathbb{P}(T_1 \leq 3 < T_2)$ .

- A.  $3e^{-6}$
- B.  $6e^{-6}$
- C.  $9e^{-6}$
- D.  $12e^{-6}$
- E.  $18e^{-6}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(T_1 \leq 3) &= \mathbb{P}(X_B \geq 1) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(X_B = 0) \quad \text{CPMAD.} \\ &= 1 - e^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(T_2 > 3) &= \mathbb{P}(X_B < 2) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(X_B = 0) + \mathbb{P}(X_B = 1) \\ &= e^{-6} + 6e^{-6} = 7e^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_B = 1) = e^{-6} \cdot 6$$