# A Canonical Setting and Stochastic Exponentials for Continuous Local Martingales

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### Introduction

- Let (Ω, F, P) be a complete probability space equipped with a filtration F satisfying the usual conditions.
- Consider a continuous local martingale (in short, CLM) (X, F) such that X<sub>0</sub> = 0 and its associated increasing process ⟨X⟩.
- The stochastic exponential or Doléans exponential of X is defined by

(1) 
$$\mathcal{E}(X) := \exp\left(X - \frac{1}{2}\langle X \rangle\right)$$

Applying Itô's formula it can easily be seen that (*E*(X), 𝔽) is again a CLM, with *E*(X)<sub>0</sub> = 1.

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- Using Fatou's lemma, we see that the nonnegative local martingale (*E*(*X*), F) is a supermartingale. It follows that:
  (*E*(*X*), F) is a martingale ⇐⇒ E[*E*(*X*)<sub>t</sub>] = 1, t ≥ 0.
- A.A. NOVIKOV (1972) proved that the condition (3)  $\mathbf{E}\left[\exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\langle X \rangle_t\right)\right] < +\infty, \quad t \ge 0,$

is sufficient for  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  to be a martingale.

• N. KAZAMAKI (1977) showed that the condition

(4) 
$$\mathbf{E}\left[\exp\left(\frac{1}{2}X_t\right)\right] < +\infty, \quad t \ge 0,$$

also implies that  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale if  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale, otherwise it should be required that  $(\exp(\frac{1}{2}X), \mathbb{F})$  is a submartingale.

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- The KAZAMAKI condition (4) follows from the NOVIKOV condition (3) by the Schwarz inequality, but the converse does not hold.
- N. KAZAMAKI and T. SEKIGUCHI (1979) gave another sufficient condition for (*E*(*X*), F) to be a martingale: (*X*, F) belongs locally to BMO, i.e., if

(5)  $\mathbf{E}(\langle X \rangle_t - \langle X \rangle_s \mid \mathcal{F}_s) \leq c(t), \quad s \leq t,$  P-f.s.

for all  $t \ge 0$ , where c(t) is a constant.

- Note that, in general, the KAZAMAKI condition (4) and the BMO-condition (5) are not comparable each other.
- In the case that (X) is bounded it is clear that all conditions
  (3), (4) and (5) are satisfied.
- For most applications, however, (X) is not bounded and in concrete cases it is more difficult and, as a rule, hardly possible to verify that one of the sufficient conditions (3), (4) or (5) is fulfilled.

The main goal of this talk is to derive conditions on a CLM  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  such that:

- $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale
- The conditions are necessary and sufficient for this property to be true.
- The conditions can effectively be verified in concrete situations.

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### The Basic Observation

The following useful result is taken from:

### Engelbert, H.-J.; Senf, T.:

On Functionals of a Wiener Process with Drift and Exponential Local Martingales.

Proceedings of the 8th Winter School on Stochastic Processes and Optimal Control, Georgenthal, January 22–26 (1990), pp. 45–58, Akademie-Verlag, Berlin 1991

- Let (X, F) to be a CLM and A = ⟨X⟩ the associated increasing process.
- It is well-known that there exists a Brownian motion (W, G) (on a, possibly, enlarged probability space) such that A = (A<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t>0</sub> is a G-time change and

 $X_t = W_{A_t}, \quad t \ge 0.$ 

Of course, (𝔅(𝒜), 𝔅) is a nonnegative martingale with expectation E[𝔅(𝒜)<sub>t</sub>] = 1, t ≥ 0.

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• Hence we can define probability measures  $Q_t$  on  $\mathcal{G}_t$  by

 $d\mathbf{Q}_t = \mathcal{E}(W)_t d\mathbf{P}, \quad t \geq 0.$ 

The consistent family (Q<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> can be extended to an additive set function Q on the algebra U<sub>t≥0</sub> G<sub>t</sub>.

#### Theorem

The process  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale if and only if

(6)  $\lim_{n \to +\infty} \mathbf{Q}(\{A_t < n\}) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t \ge 0.$ 

### The Basic Observation: The Proof

Proof.

$$\lim_{n \to +\infty} \mathbf{Q}(\{A_t < n\}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{Q}(\{k \le A_t < k+1\})$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{\{k \le A_t < k+1\}} \mathcal{E}(W)_{k+1} d\mathbf{P}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{\{k \le A_t < k+1\}} \mathcal{E}(W)_{A_t} d\mathbf{P}$$
$$= \int_{\{A_t < \infty\}} \mathcal{E}(W)_{A_t} d\mathbf{P}$$
$$= \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{E}(W)_{A_t} d\mathbf{P}$$
$$= \mathbf{E} \mathcal{E}(W)_{A_t} = \mathbf{E} \mathcal{E}(X)_t$$

which proves the equivalence.

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### The Basic Observation: An Equivalent Formulation

Now we consider the right inverse  $T = (T_t)_{t>0}$  of A, i.e.,

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T_t := \inf\{s \ge 0 : A_s > t\}, \qquad t \ge 0,
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We also put  $T_{\infty} := \sup_{t>0} T_t$ .

#### Theorem

Suppose that **Q** is  $\sigma$ -additive on the algebra  $\bigcup_{t\geq 0} \mathcal{G}_t$  and, hence, can be extended to a probability measure on  $\mathcal{G} = \sigma(\bigcup_{t\geq 0} \mathcal{G}_t)$ . Then the following statements are equivalent: (i)  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale. (ii) **Q**  $(\{A_t < \infty\}) = 1, \forall t \geq 0$ . (iii) **Q**  $(\{T_{\infty} = +\infty\}) = 1$ .

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### **Generalization:**

The theorem remains true if  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is only a CLM up to  $T_{\infty}$ . This means that, possibly,  $T_{\infty} < \infty$  with strictly positive probability and  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is exploding at explosion time  $T_{\infty}$ .

The stochastic exponential  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  of  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is then defined as

$$\mathcal{E}(X)_t = \begin{cases} \exp(X_t - \frac{1}{2} \langle X \rangle_t), & \text{if } t < T_{\infty}, \\ \lim_{t \uparrow T_{\infty}} \exp(X_t - \frac{1}{2} \langle X \rangle_t) = \mathbf{0}, & \text{if } T_{\infty} \le t. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is again a proper CLM (without explosion).

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### The Basic Observation: The Crucial Problem

#### Problem

Can we always extend  $\mathbf{Q}$  to a probability measure on  $\mathcal{G}$ ?

- This mainly depends on the choice of the probability space (Ω, F, P) and the Brownian (W, G) on it. But the martingale property of (E(X), F) is a distributional property and does not depend on this choice.
- Before solving the problem in a general way, we will discuss several examples.

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### The First Example: Solutions of an SDE

This example was given in:

### Engelbert, H.-J.; Senf, T.:

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We consider the one-dimensional SDE

(7)  $dX_t = b(X_t)dB_t, \quad t \ge 0, \quad X_0 = 0,$ 

where  $(B, \mathbb{F})$  is a Brownian motion and *b* some real Borel function.

- Note that every solution  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is a CLM.
- For the sake of simplicity, let us assume that  $b^{-2} := \frac{1}{b^2}$  is locally integrable.

Then there exists a solution (X, 𝔽) which has no sojourn time in the set {b = 0}:

$$\int_0^\infty \mathbf{1}_{\{b=0\}}(X_u)\,du=0\quad \mathbf{P}\text{-a.s.}$$

 Such a solution is called fundamental solution, and the fundamental solution is unique in law.

### The First Example: Construction of the Solution

**Construction of the Solution:** Let (C, C) be the space of continuous real functions on  $[0, \infty)$  equipped with the Wiener measure **P**. Let  $W = (W_t)_{t \ge 0}$  be the coordinate mapping on *C*. Then  $(W, \mathbb{G})$  is a Brownian motion where  $\mathbb{G} = (\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \ge 0}$  is the smallest right-continuous filtration (not completed!) with respect to which *W* is adapted. We define

$$T_t=\int_0^{t+}b^{-2}(W_u)\,du,\quad t\in[0,\infty]\,,$$

and let  $A = (A_t)_{t>0}$  be the right inverse of T:

 $A_t = \inf\{s \ge 0 : T_s > t\}, \quad t \ge 0.$ 

Because *T* is strictly increasing and  $T_{\infty} = \infty$  **P**-a.s., *A* is a continuous and finite G-time change. It can be shown that the process  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  defined by  $X_t = W_{A_t}$ ,  $\mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \ge 0} := (\mathcal{G}_{A_t})_{t \ge 0}$  is a fundamental solution of Eq. (7).

### The First Example: The Result

Now we can apply our second theorem from above:

- Defining Q<sub>t</sub> = ε(W)<sub>t</sub> dP on G<sub>t</sub>, we observe that (Q<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> can be extended to a probability measure Q on C = σ(U<sub>t>0</sub> G<sub>t</sub>).
- The probability measure **Q** on (C, C) is just the **P**-distribution of  $(W_t + t)_{t \ge 0}$ .
- This yields

$$T_{\infty} = \int_0^{\infty} b^{-2}(W_u) \, du = \int_0^{\infty} b^{-2}(\widetilde{W}_u + u) \, du \quad \mathbf{Q}\text{-a.s.}$$

where  $\widetilde{W} = (\widetilde{W}_t)_{t \ge 0}$ ) is a **Q**-Brownian motion. Hence *W* is a **Q**-Brownian motion with drift.

 Integral functionals of a Brownian motion with drift have been studied in the paper cited above. The result is

$$\mathbf{Q}(\{T_{\infty}=\infty\})=1 \Longleftrightarrow \int_{-\varepsilon}^{\infty} b^{-2}(x) \, dx = \infty \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0 \, .$$

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Summarizing we obtain the following purely analytical criterion.

#### Theorem

The stochastic exponential  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  associated with a fundamental solution of SDE (7) is a martingale if and only if

$$\int_{-\varepsilon}^{\infty} b^{-2}(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = \infty \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0 \, .$$

The following result is taken from:

Blei, S.; Engelbert, H.-J.:

On Exponential Local Martingales Associated with Strong Markov Continuous Local Martingales.

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- A strong Markov CLM (X, F) is in law uniquely determined by its speed measure m.
- *m* can be an arbitrary measure on the real line which assigns strictly positive measure to every non-empty open set.

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### The Second Example: The Construction

The **construction** of a strong Markov CLM  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  with given speed measure *m* is similar as above: Let  $(C, C, \mathbf{P})$  be the Wiener space,  $W = (W_t)_{t\geq 0}$  the coordinate mappings and  $\mathbb{G} = (\mathcal{G}_t)_{t\geq 0}$  the smallest right-continuous filtration (not completed!) with respect to which *W* is adapted. We define

$$\mathcal{T}_t = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathcal{L}^{\mathcal{W}}(t, \boldsymbol{a}) \, m(d\boldsymbol{a}), \quad t \in [0, \infty] \, ,$$

where  $L^{W}(t, a)$  is the local time of W, and let  $A = (A_t)_{t \ge 0}$  be the right inverse of T:

$$A_t = \inf\{s \ge 0 : T_s > t\}, \quad t \ge 0.$$

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### The Second Example: Strong Markov CLM

Because *T* is strictly increasing and  $T_{\infty} = \infty$  **P**-a.s., *A* is a continuous and finite G-time change. It can be shown that the process (*X*, **F**) defined by

$$X_t = W_{A_t}, \quad \mathbb{F} = (\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \ge 0} := (\mathcal{G}_{A_t})_{t \ge 0}$$

is a strong Markov CLM with speed measure *m*. As above, we define **Q** on (C, C) as the **P**-distribution of  $(W_t + t)_{t \ge 0}$ . Integral functionals of type  $T_{\infty}$  with

$$T_t = \int_{\mathbb{R}} L^W(t, a) m(da),$$

where W is a **Q**-Brownian motion with drift have been studied in the paper cited above. The result is

$$\mathbf{Q}(\{T_{\infty}=\infty\})=\mathbf{1} \Longleftrightarrow m((-\varepsilon,\infty))=\infty \quad \forall \varepsilon > \mathbf{0} \,.$$

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### The Second Example: The Result

Summarizing we obtain the following purely analytical criterion.

#### Theorem

The stochastic exponential  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  associated with a strong Markov CLM  $(X, \mathbb{F})$ ,  $X_0 = 0$ , having speed measure m is a martingale if and only if

 $m((-\varepsilon,\infty)) = \infty \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0.$ 

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#### Problem

# What happens for general CLMs $(X, \mathbb{F})$ ?

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### A Canonical Setting: Definitions

We now prepare the general case and introduce a canonical representation for CLMs.

- As before, by (C, C) we denote the space of continuous functions on [0,∞) and by W = (W<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> the coordinate mappings. By C = (C<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> we denote the filtration generated by W. Let μ be the Wiener measure on (C, C).
- (C, C, μ) will serve as canonical space for Brownian trajectories.
- Let V denote the space of nondecreasing continuous functions  $[0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  starting from 0. By  $A = (A_t)_{t \ge 0}$  we denote the canonical process on V.
- We introduce the  $\sigma$ -fields

$$\mathcal{V}_t = \sigma(\{\{A_s \leq u\} : s \in [0,\infty), u \in [0,t]\}), \quad \mathcal{V} = \bigvee_{t \geq 0} \mathcal{V}_t.$$

Note that V = (V<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> is the smallest filtration with respect to which A = (A<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> is a time-change.

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### A Canonical Setting: Definitions

- The filtered space (V, V; V) will serve as canonical space for trajectories of a continuous time-change.
- We set Ω<sup>\*</sup> = C × V, G<sup>\*</sup> = C ⊗ V and denote by (G<sup>\*</sup><sub>t</sub>)<sub>t≥0</sub> the smallest right-continuous filtration containing (C<sub>t</sub> ⊗ V<sub>t</sub>)<sub>t>0</sub>.
- *W* and *A* will be considered as defined on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*)$ .
- We introduce the process X and the filtration F by

$$X_t = W_{A_t}, \quad \mathcal{F}_t = \mathcal{G}^*_{A_t}, \quad t \ge 0.$$

As always,  $T = (T_t)_{t \ge 0}$  denotes the right inverse of  $A = (A_t)_{t \ge 0}$ :  $T_t := \inf\{s \ge 0 : A_s > t\}, t \in [0, \infty]$ . Note that the filtration  $\mathbb{V} = (\mathcal{V}_t)_{t \ge 0}$  is just generated by the process *T*.

 The process X on (Ω\*, G\*) will serve as a canonical representation for CLMs up to T<sub>∞</sub>.

### A Canonical Setting: Characterization of CLMs

Let us consider a probability kernel *K* from (C, C) into (V, V) satisfying the condition

(8)  $K(\cdot, E)$  is  $C_t$ -measurable  $\forall E \in \mathcal{V}_t, t \ge 0$ .

We say that *K* is nonanticipative.

Given a nonanticipative probability kernel *K* from (*C*, *C*) into (*V*,  $\mathcal{V}$ ), by **P** we denote the unique probability measure on ( $\Omega^*$ ,  $\mathcal{G}^*$ ) which satisfies

(9) 
$$\mathbf{P}(D \times E) = \int_D K(w, E) d\mu(w), \quad D \times E \in \mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{V}.$$

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## A Canonical Setting: Characterization of CLMs

#### Theorem

(i) X is a CLM on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*, \mathbf{P})$  up to time  $T_{\infty}$ , and  $\langle X \rangle = A$ .

(ii) X is a CLM if and only if  $P({T_{\infty} = \infty}) = 1$ .

#### Theorem

For any CLM  $\widetilde{X}$  up to time  $\widetilde{T}_{\infty}$  starting from 0 defined on an arbitrary  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \widetilde{\mathbf{P}})$ , there exists a nonanticipative probability kernel K such that

 $\operatorname{Law}_{\mathbf{P}}(X) = \operatorname{Law}_{\widetilde{\mathbf{P}}}(\widetilde{X}),$ 

where **P** is defined through *K* as in (9). If *K* and *K'* are two such kernels, then they are  $\mu$ -indistinguishable.

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**Remark:** The kernel *K* from the above theorem can be constructed as a regular conditional distribution

 $K(b, E) = \widetilde{\mathbf{P}}(\{\langle \widetilde{\mathbf{X}} \rangle \in E\} | B = b), \quad b \in C, \ E \in \mathcal{V},$ 

where

$$\widetilde{X} = B_{\langle \widetilde{\mathbf{X}} \rangle} := (B_{\langle \widetilde{\mathbf{X}} \rangle_t})_{t < \widetilde{T}_{\infty}}$$

is any DAMBIS–DUBINS–SCHWARZ representation of the CLM  $\widetilde{\mathbf{X}}$  up to  $\widetilde{T}_{\infty}$  as a time-changed Brownian motion *B*, possibly, on an enlargement of  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \widetilde{\mathbf{P}})$ .

- The two theorems state that the correspondence between nonanticipative kernels *K* and distributions of CLMs is one-to-one.
- The described canonical setting can be viewed as a converse to the DAMBIS-DUBINS-SCHWARZ theorem, which states that each CLM is a time-changed Brownian motion.

The above theorems are slight generalizations of results from:



Nalther, Mario:

Eindimensionale stochastische Differentialgleichungen mit verallgemeinerter Drift bezüglich stetiger lokaler Martingale. PhD-thesis, Friedrich-Schiller-University of Jena (2007)

Engelbert, H.-J.; Urusov, M.A.; Walther, M.:

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## A Canonical Setting: Stochastic Exponentials

We now apply the canonical setting to stochastic exponentials of CLMs.

Similar as above, given the canonical CLM X on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*, \mathbf{P})$ , we define

$$d\mathbf{Q}_t = \mathcal{E}(W)_t d\mathbf{P} = \exp(W_t - \frac{1}{2}t) d\mathbf{P}$$
 on  $\mathcal{G}_t^*$ .

#### Theorem

The family  $(\mathbf{Q}_t)_{t\geq 0}$  can uniquely be extended to a probability measure Q on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*)$ .

*Proof.* 1)  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}_t^*)$  are standard Borel spaces.

2) For every decreasing family  $G_n$  of atoms of  $\mathcal{G}_n^*$  its intersection is non-empty.

3) It remains to apply Thm. V.4.1 of Parthasarathy (1967).

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### A Canonical Setting: Stochastic Exponentials

Using this probability measure **Q**, we now arrive at the following result:

#### Theorem

The following conditions are equivalent:

- (i)  $(\mathcal{E}(X), \mathbb{F})$  is a martingale.
- (ii)  $\mathbf{Q}(\{A_t < \infty\}) = 1, \quad \forall t \ge 0.$
- (iii)  $\mathbf{Q}(\{T_{\infty}=\infty\})=1$  where  $T_{\infty}=\inf\{t\geq 0: A_t=\infty\}$ .
- (iv)  $(X A, \mathbb{F})$  is a proper CLM such that  $\langle X A \rangle = A$  on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*, \mathbb{Q})$ .

### A Canonical Setting: Stochastic Exponentials

**Remark:** After having the existence of **Q** on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*)$ , it can easily be verified that:

$$\mathbf{Q}(D \times E) = \int_D K(w, E) \, d\mathbf{\nu}(w), \quad D \times E \in \mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{V},$$

where  $\nu$  is the distribution of a Brownian motion with drift on (C, C). Hence the kernel *K* disintegrates **P** w.r.t.  $\mu$  as well as **Q** w.r.t.  $\nu$ .

From this we obtain another characterization:

#### Corollary

Conditions (i)–(iv) are also equivalent to each of the following conditions:

(v) 
$$K(w, \{A_t < \infty\}) = 1$$
  $\nu$ -a.s.,  $\forall t \ge 0$ .

(vi) 
$$K(w, \{T_{\infty} = \infty\}) = 1$$
 *v*-a.s.

Changing the roles of **P** and **Q**, we obtain the following result where  $T_{\infty}$  again appears as exploding time.

#### Corollary

Suppose that  $(X, \mathbb{F})$  is a CLM on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*, \mathbf{P})$ .

**1)** Then, on  $(\Omega^*, \mathcal{G}^*, \mathbf{Q})$ , the process  $(-X + A, \mathbb{F})$  is a CLM up to the stopping time  $T_{\infty}$  such that  $\langle X - A \rangle = A$ .

**2)** The stochastic exponential  $(\mathcal{E}(-X + A), \mathbb{F})$  is always a **Q**-martingale.

### Application: Some More Examples

Consider the SDE

(10) 
$$Y_t = y_0 + \int_0^t a(Y_u) \, du + \int_0^t \sigma(Y_u) \, dB_u, \quad t \ge 0,$$

and the (possibly, exploding) CLM

$$X_t = \int_0^t b(\mathbf{Y}_s) \, d\mathbf{B}_u \,, \quad t \ge 0 \,.$$

with Brownian motion **B**.

**Problem:** We ask for conditions on the coefficients *b*, *a* and  $\sigma$  for  $\mathcal{E}(X)$  being a martingale.

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**Solution of the Problem:** Investigate integral functionals of type

 $\int_0^t b^2(Y_u) \, du$ 

of a solution Y of the SDE (10) and find analytical criteria for

$$\int_0^t b^2(\mathsf{Y}_u)\,du < \infty \quad \forall t \ge 0 \quad \mathbf{Q} ext{-a.s.}$$

Note that w.r.t. **Q** the drift for the SDE of Y changes from *a* to  $a + \sigma b$ .

Under reasonable conditions on the coefficients *b*, *a* and  $\sigma$ , this plan can always be successfully realized.

### Application: Some More Examples

In their paper

#### Mijatović, A.; Urusov, M.A.: On the Martingale Property of Certain Local Martingales: Criteria and Applications. Preprint 2009

MIJATOVIĆ and URUSOV followed another approach, using the concept of separating times of the second author and non-explosive criteria for solutions of SDEs given in:



Cherny, A.; Engelbert, H.-J.:

Singular Stochastic Differential Equations. Lecture Notes in Mathematics 1858, Springer, 2005

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