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# Colored-Noise-Like Multiple Itô-Stochastic Integrals: Algorithms and Numerics

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**Abstract.** Mixed multiple stochastic integrals for independent Brownian motions, can not be explicitly approximated. However, integrating a time dependent process in the stochastic sense, namely with respect to the associated Brownian motion, leads to interesting analytical and numerical facts and studies. The main concern of this paper is to provide a recurrence formula (theorem 3.5) for simulating a class of multiple Itô stochastic integrals, which possess a behavior similar to the Gaussian colored noise. Moreover, it contains a numerical analysis, in a review style, of the time-integral and time-differential, in the distributional sense, of the non-differentiable time dependent Brownian motion. All Matlab codes used in the numerical algorithms are also listed.

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## 1 Introduction

Early in 1944 and 1951, Itô K. published the first meaningful analysis for Wiener multiple stochastic integrals [9, 10]. Later the works of Wong and Zakai [18, 22], gave a more explicit analysis to these topics. These are necessary tools for solving either stochastic differential equations (or systems) (SDEs) [5, 6, 19, 23] or solving evolutionary partial differential equations with uncertainties [16, 15, 17, 20, 21], especially in Finance, Physics, Biology, etc...[12, 14, 2, 11, 1, 13].

The purpose of this work is to provide an introduction to computational stochastics for numerical integration and simulation of a class of multiple Itô integrals. Instead of attempting to describe the largest possible class of stochastic integrals, we will only single out a class of these processes. Where, we show some graphical similarities to the Gaussian Colored Noises. Moreover, because the aim is the application of such integrals, much more emphasis is put into analysis of the theoretical and computational properties of multiple stochastic integrals with respect to a Brownian motion. Here, we present interesting technics to be used and developed by master students and young researchers. From a pedagogical point of view, the purpose of these notes is to provide an intuitive understanding in what multiple stochastic integral and clearly set out the difficulties for this type of calculus. For a deep analytical theory we would refer the reader to the books of Karatzas and Shreve (1991), Kloeden and Platen (1992) [5] and Øksendal (1985, 2003) [8]. The present work could link the attention of Finance and Mathematics Master students or also Ph.D candidates to improve their Knowledge of Computational Stochastics. Therefore, in the same context this work will be completed by two other works, namely numerical methods for SDEs and numerical methods for SPDEs.

This paper is structured as follows: The second section consists of a numerical construction of normal distributed random numbers using the famous method of the Box Müller. We also state the computational aspect of the Brownian motion and some related processes. In the third section, we will prove the main

theorem (Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 3.1) for the construction the Colored-Noise-like multiple stochastic integrals. With some interesting remarks and open questions, we achieve the results of this paper.

## 2 Numerical Simulation of the Brownian Motion

The stochastic calculus is in general based on the Brownian motion process. This was first discovered by the Scottish botanist Robert Brown in 1827. The notion that the increments of the Brownian motion are normally distributed is the source of immense scientific results, either in stochastic analysis or in the interpretation of physical, biological, econometric models. In the following, we will focus our study on the behavior of some derived processes, namely the time-integral and time differential of the Brownian motion in the distributional sense. For more properties of the Brownian motion, we refer the reader to [3].

### 2.1 The Brownian Motion

**Definition 2.1.** A one-dimensional Brownian motion (also called standard Wiener process) is a real-valued stochastic process  $\{W_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  indexed by nonnegative real numbers  $t$  with the following properties:

- i.  $W_0 = 0$ .
- ii. With probability 1, the function  $t \mapsto W_t$  is continuous in  $t$ .
- iii. The process  $\{W_t\}_{t > 0}$  has stationary, independent increments.
- iv. The increment  $W_t - W_s$  is normally distributed with mean zero and variance  $t - s$  i.e

$$W_t - W_s \sim \sqrt{t - s} \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \quad \text{for all } t > s.$$

A Wiener process with initial value  $W_0 = x_0$  is achieved by adding  $x_0$  to a standard Wiener process. The term independent increments means that for every choice of nonnegative real numbers  $0 \leq s_1 < t_1 \leq s_2 < t_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n < t_n < \infty$ , the random variables (Wiener increments)

$$W_{t_1} - W_{s_1}, W_{t_2} - W_{s_2}, \dots, W_{t_n} - W_{s_n}$$

are pairwise independent. The stationary increments means that the distribution of the increment  $W_{t+s} - W_s$  has the same distribution as  $W_t - W_0 = W_t$ , for any  $0 < s, t < 1$

In general, a stochastic process with stationary, independent increments is called a Levy process. Moreover, It should not be obvious that properties 1.4. in the definition of a standard Brownian motion are mutually consistent, so it is not a priori clear that a standard Brownian motion exists. That it does exist was first proved by N. Wiener in about 1920. His proof was simplified by P. Levy. The compatibility of the properties 3. and 4. follows directly from elementary properties of the normal distributions: If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, normally distributed random variables with means  $\mu_X; \mu_Y$  and variances  $\sigma_X^2; \sigma_Y^2$ , then the random variable  $X + Y$  is normally distributed with mean  $\mu_X + \mu_Y$  and variance  $\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$ .

The random function  $W : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous but nowhere differentiable (almost surely), the proof was early given by Paley, Wiener and Zygmund in 1933. This is particularly interesting, as it is not easy to construct a continuous, nowhere differentiable function without the help of randomness.

One of the interesting interpretations of the Brownian motion is the relationship to the random walk, namely  $W_t$  could be interpreted as a limit of symmetric random walks. Let us consider a subdivision of the interval  $[0, \infty)$  into subintervals of length  $\delta$ . Each subinterval corresponds to a time slot of length  $\delta$ . Thus, the intervals are  $(0, \delta], (\delta, 2\delta], (2\delta, 3\delta], \dots$  where the  $k^{th}$  subinterval is  $((k - 1)\delta, k\delta]$ . Furthermore, we define the symmetric random variables  $X_i$ , for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  as follows:

$$P(X_i = \sqrt{\delta}) = P(X_i = -\sqrt{\delta}) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

It is easy to see that  $X_i$ 's are independent and  $E[X_i] = 0$ ;  $Var(X_i) = \delta$ . Define the process  $W_t$  as follows: Set  $W_0 = 0$  and at time  $t = n\delta$  define the value of  $W_t$  by  $W_t = W_{n\delta} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ . Since  $W_t$  is the sum of  $n$  *i.i.d.* random variables,  $E[W_t] = 0$  and  $Var(W_t) = t$ . For any  $t \in (0, \infty)$ , by the passage to the limit for large  $n$ ,  $\delta$  tends to zero and by using the central limit theorem,  $W_t$  will be a normal distributed random variable with mean 0 and variance  $t$ . Moreover, Since  $X_i$  are *i.i.d.*, we conclude that  $W_t$  has independent stationary increments. And by this way, the above method leads to the construction of a process with continuous sample paths ( i.e.,  $W_t$  is a continuous function of  $t$ ) nowhere differentiable. This are called the standard Brownian motion or the standard Wiener process. Moreover, even if the differentiability is not satisfied, one of the most interesting processes is the Gaussian White Noise  $\xi(t) = dW_t/dt$ , defined as the time-derivative in the distributional sense of the Brownian motion.

## 2.2 Construction of normally distributed numbers

One of the most useful methods for generating random numbers with a normal distribution is the Box-Müller transform, which was suggested by George Edward Pelham Box and Mervin Edgar Müller (1958). Altogether, the Box-Müller method takes independent standard uniform random variables  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  and produces independent standard normals  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  using the formulas:

$$\theta = 2\pi U_1, \quad R = \sqrt{-2 \ln(U_2)}, \quad X_1 = R \cos(\theta), \quad X_2 = R \sin(\theta). \quad (1)$$

In other words from two random numbers  $u_1, u_2 \in (0, 1]$  (generated by a uniform distribution), we produce two independent standard normally distributed numbers  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ , namely:

$$n_1 = \sqrt{-2 \ln(u_1)} \cos(2\pi u_2), \quad n_2 = \sqrt{-2 \ln(u_1)} \sin(2\pi u_2). \quad (2)$$

It has been proven that the random variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent, given that they use the same  $R$  and  $\theta$ . The independence property is analytically and computationally satisfied.

The Box-Müller Matlab code is given by:

```
function x=boxm();
%return a uniform normally distributed number x
u1=rand;
u2=rand;
x=sqrt(-2*log(u1))*cos(2*pi*u2);
```

code 1: boxm.m

To generate the histograms above use the following code:

```
function H=NormalDist(n);
% return a histogram of a uniform normal distribution
% n is the number of ND random numbers
X=zeros(1,n);
for i=1:n
u1=rand;
u2=rand;
X(i)=sqrt(-2*log(u1))*cos(2*pi*u2);
end
hist(X,50);
```

Code 2: NormalDist.m

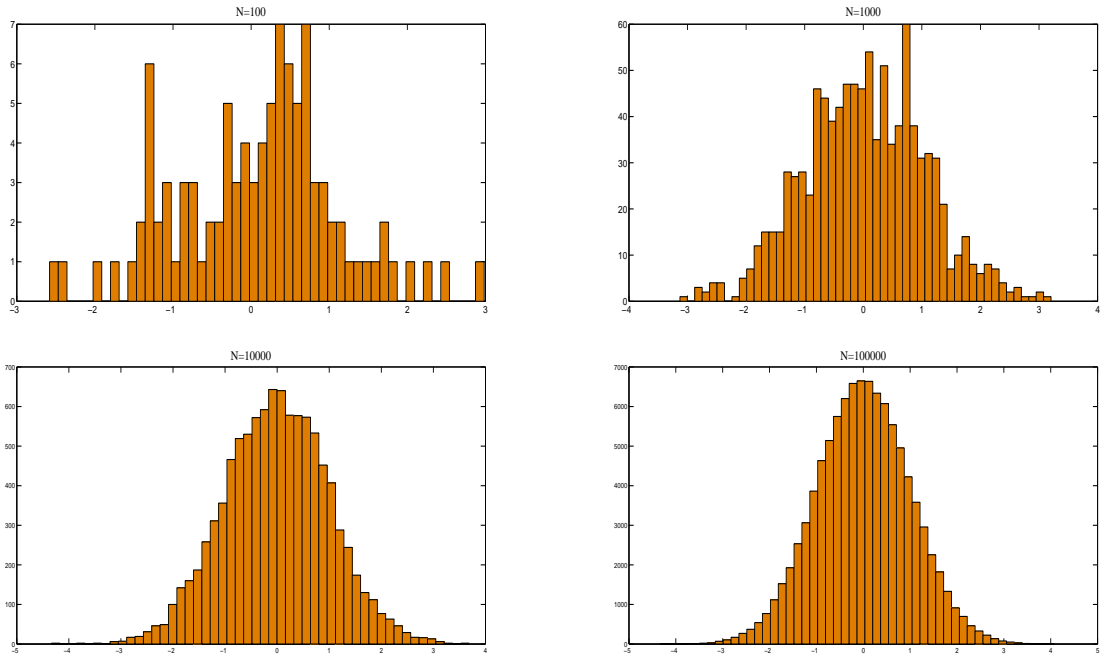


Figure 1: Histogram of the random numbers generated by the Box-Muller method.

### 2.3 Simulation of the Brownian Motion

Consider the upper time bound  $T \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and let  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = T$  be an equidistant Discretization of the time Interval  $[t_0, T]$ , i.e.  $t_k = k\Delta$  with  $\Delta = \frac{T}{N}$ . Per definition of the Brownian motion, the increments are *i.i.d* and normally distributed. Moreover, it yields

$$\frac{(W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k})}{\sqrt{\Delta t}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

To simulate the paths of Brownian motion, the values  $W_{t_k} \forall k = 0, 1, \dots, N$  are per recursion obtained, and by using linear interpolation one can compute the value of  $W_t$  for all  $t \in ]t_k, t_{k+1}[$ .

The matlab code for generating the path of a Brownian motion is:

```
function W=BrownianMotion(dt);
% this code generates a Brownian motion path
% dt time step size
% the path of the BM will be showed in the time interval [0,1]
N=round(1/dt);
W = zeros(1,N);
T = zeros(1,N);
W(1)=0;
T(1)=0;
for j=1:N
T(j+1)=j*dt;
W(j+1)=W(j)+sqrt(dt)*boxm();
end
plot(T,W);
```

Code 3: BrownianMotion.m

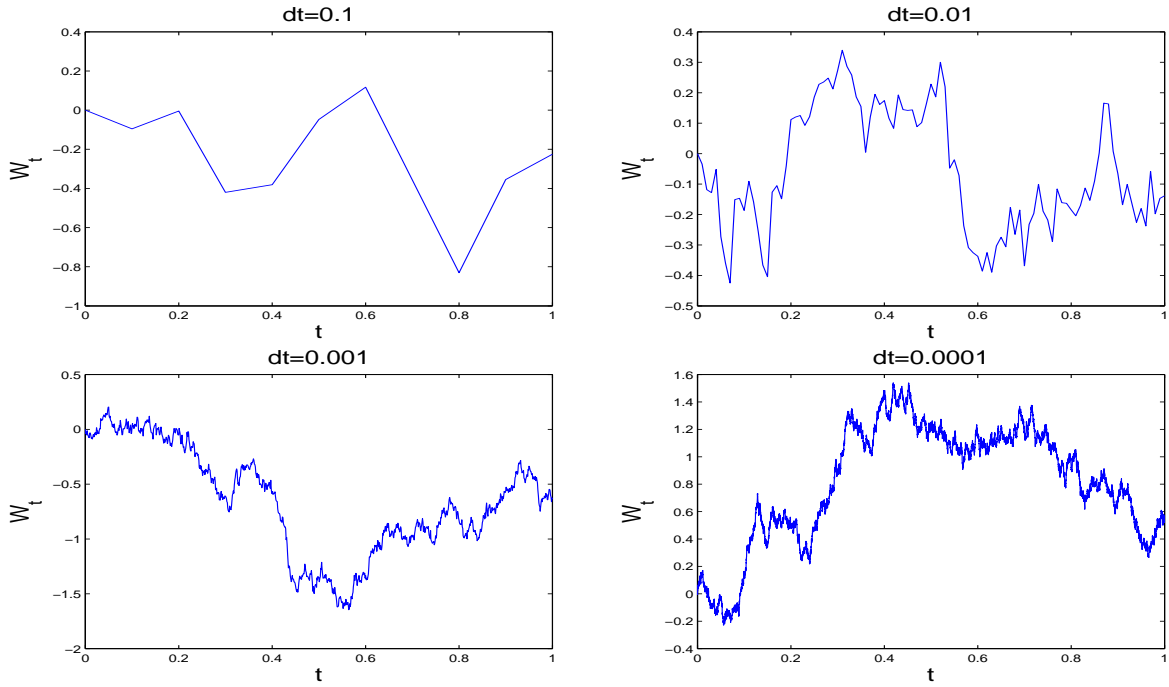


Figure 2: Brownian Motion for different time-step on the time interval  $[0, 1]$ .

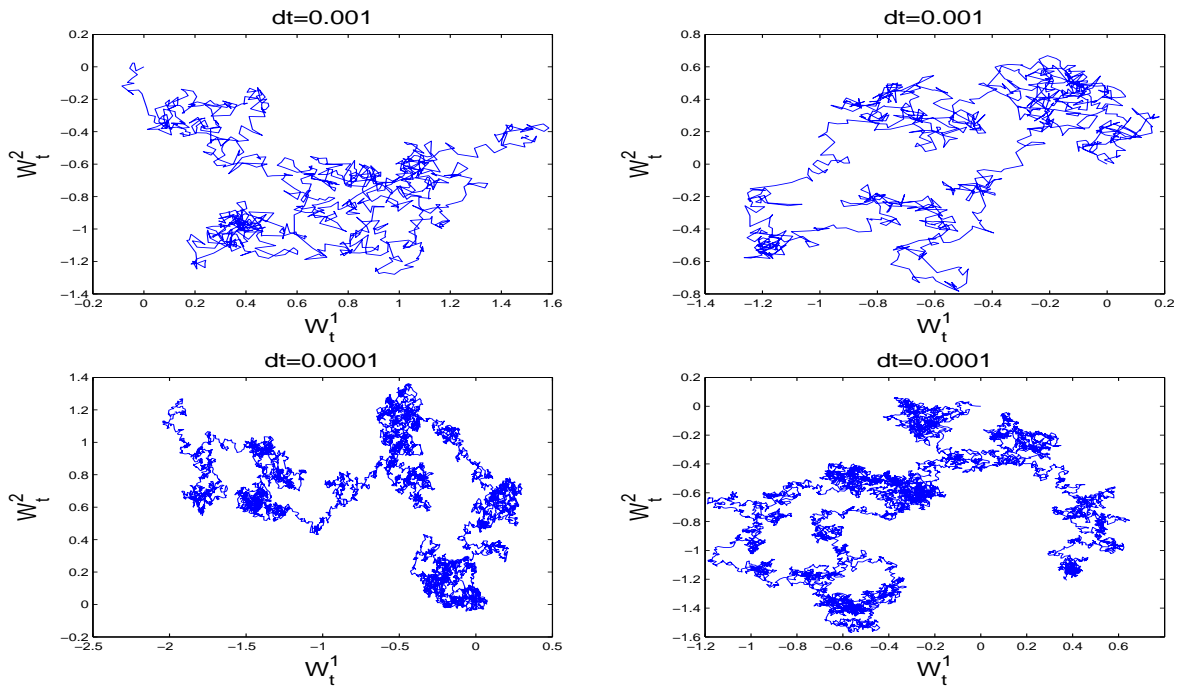


Figure 3: Planar Brownian Motions for different time-steps on the time interval  $[0, 1]$ .

### 3 Simulation of a class of Multiple Stochastic Integrals

The main concern of this section is to define and simulate a class of multiple stochastic integrals in the sense of Itô. In this way, we deal with continuous (time-parameter) stochastic process  $Z_t(\cdot)$  adapted to a filtration  $\mathfrak{F}_t$  progressively measurable, i.e  $Z_t(w)$  is  $B_t \times \mathfrak{F}_t$  measurable for all Borel  $\sigma$ -field  $B_t$  on  $[0, t]$ . For instance, all processes with continuous sample paths are progressively measurable.

#### 3.1 Itô-Integral

Let us consider  $T \in \mathbb{T}$  and  $(\Omega, \mathfrak{A}, P)$  a probability space with a Filtration  $\mathfrak{F} = (\mathfrak{F}_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$ . We define the set  $\Lambda_T$  of square-integrable  $\mathfrak{F}_t$ -adapted process (SIASP). Throughout this paper, the filtration  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  contains the sets with measure zero and  $\mathfrak{F}_t$  is right continuous in time. In this case,  $\mathfrak{F}_t$  will be called a right continuous augmented filtration. In the following, we will use the norm  $\|Z_t\|_{\Lambda_T} = \left( \mathbb{E} \left( \int_0^T Z_s^2 ds \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

**Definition 3.1.** For  $Z \in \Lambda_T$ , the the Itô integral with respect to the Brownian motion is defined as

$$I[Z]_{0,t} := \int_0^t Z_s dW_s = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} I^{(N)}[Z]_{0,t}, \quad (3)$$

where

$$I^{(N)}[Z]_{0,t} = \sum_{k=1}^N Z_{t_{k-1}^{N,l}} (W_{t_k^{N,l}} - W_{t_{k-1}^{N,l}}), \quad (4)$$

and  $\tau_N^l = \{t_k^{N,l} : k = 0, \dots, N \text{ und } l \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a sequence of discretizations of the time interval  $[0, t]$ . The limit (3) is a mean square limit of random variables, i.e, it holds

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} (I[Z]_{0,t} - I^{(N)}[Z]_{0,t})^2 = 0. \quad (5)$$

**Theorem 3.1.** The limit (5) exists in  $L^2(P)$  and is unique for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

*Proof.* see [8].

The Itô integral satisfies the following properties:

#### Lemma 3.1. [Linearity]

Consider  $(Z_t^{(1)})_{t \in \mathbb{T}}, (Z_t^{(2)})_{t \in \mathbb{T}} \in \Lambda_T$  and  $K_1, K_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . For

$$I[Z^{(1)}]_{0,t} = \int_0^t Z_s^{(1)} dW_s \quad \text{and} \quad I[Z^{(2)}]_{0,t} = \int_0^t Z_s^{(2)} dW_s,$$

it holds

$$I[K_1 Z^{(1)} + K_2 Z^{(2)}]_{0,t} = \int_0^t (K_1 Z_s^{(1)} + K_2 Z_s^{(2)}) dW_s = K_1 I[Z^{(1)}]_{0,t} + K_2 I[Z^{(2)}]_{0,t} \quad (6)$$

*Proof.* The proof of (6) follows directly from the Definition 3.1.

**Remark 3.1.** It is important to note that, the linearity discussed in lemma 3.1 required the integration with respect to the same Brownian motion  $W_t$ . Therefore, for

$$I[Z^{(1)}]_{0,t} = \int_0^t Z_s^{(1)} dW_s^1 \quad \text{and} \quad I[Z^{(2)}]_{0,t} = \int_0^t Z_s^{(2)} dW_s^2, \quad (7)$$

the linearity property of the Itô integral is not true.

**Theorem 3.2.** For  $(Z_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}} \in \Lambda_T$ ,  $0 < s < t$  it holds,

**[Martingale]**

$$\mathbb{E}(I[Z]_{0,t} | \mathfrak{F}_s) = I[Z]_{0,s}. \quad (8)$$

**[Itô Isometry]**

$$\mathbb{E}[(I[Z]_{0,t})^2] = \mathbb{E} \int_0^t Z_u^2 du. \quad (9)$$

**[Continuity of  $I_t$ ]** It exists a continuous process  $h_t$  such that

$$P(h_t = I[Z]_{0,t}) = 1 \quad \forall t, 0 \leq t \leq T. \quad (10)$$

*Proof.* See [8] page 32ff.

### 3.2 Higher order Itô-Formula

One of the main concerns of the Stochastic Calculus is the new concept of differentiability. For instance, we know that the path of a Brownian motion is continuous but nowhere differentiable and in order to define a stochastic differential equation and integrals, we have to introduce the notion of stochastic differentiability. The central result is the Itô-Formula, which leads to a new definition of differential equation and a new concept of Taylor expansion. A process satisfying a stochastic differential equation (SDE) in the sense of Itô, will be called an Itô process.

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $(W_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$  be an  $m$ -dimensional Brownian motion defined on a  $(\Omega, \mathfrak{A})^m$  with right continuous augmented filtration  $\mathfrak{F} = (\mathfrak{F}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$ . The process  $(X_t^1, \dots, X_t^d)$  is called Itô Processes, if and only if it has the following form

$$X_t^i = X_{t_0}^i + \int_{t_0}^t a_s^i ds + \sum_{j=1}^m \int_{t_0}^t b_s^{i,j} dW_s^j; \quad i = 1, \dots, d; \quad j = 1, \dots, m \quad (11)$$

where for all  $i, j$ ;  $(a_t^i)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}, (b_t^{i,j})_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$  are  $\mathfrak{F}_t$  adapted,  $\int_{t_0}^T a_s^i ds < \infty$  and  $\int_{t_0}^T (b_s^{i,j})^2 ds < \infty$  a.s.

**Lemma 3.2.** Consider a one dimensional Brownian motion and a non-necessary uniform time discretization  $t_k = k \frac{T-t_0}{2^n}$  of the interval  $[t_0, T]$ . Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} 1). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} (\Delta t_k)^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta t_k \Delta W_{t_k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta W_{t_k} \Delta t_k = 0. \\ 2). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} (\Delta W_{t_k})^2 = \int_{t_0}^T ds = (T - t_0). \quad (\text{Convergence in } L^2) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta t_k = t_{k+1} - t_k$  and  $\Delta W_{t_k} = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k}$ .

*Proof.* The proof for 1). follows from the construction bellow:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} (\Delta t_k)^2 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_k (\Delta t_k) \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta t_k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_k (\Delta t_k) \int_{t_0}^T dt = 0$$

For the term 2). with the Brownian motion, we have

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min_k (\Delta t_k) \int_{t_0}^T dW_s \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta t_k \Delta W_{t_k} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_k (\Delta t_k) \int_{t_0}^T dW_s = 0 = 0.$$

Since  $\Delta W_{t_k}$  are i.i.d and normally distributed with mean zero and variance  $\Delta t_k$  and by using the strong law of large numbers the following convergence in  $L^2$  is true:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} (\Delta W_{t_k})^2 = \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta t_k \right) = \int_{t_0}^T ds = (T - t_0).$$

**Lemma 3.3.** Let us consider the functional  $f : [t_0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with continuous partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$  and a one dimensional Itô Process  $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$ . For any time discretization  $t_k = k \frac{T - t_0}{2^n}$  of the interval  $[t_0, T]$ . then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} 1). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \Delta t_k = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} ds \\ 2). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta X_{t_k} = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dX_s = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} a_s ds + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} b_s dW_s. \\ 3). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} (\Delta t_k)^2 = 0 \cdot \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} ds = 0. \\ 4). \quad & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (\Delta X_{t_k})^2 = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} b_s^2 ds. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta t_k = t_{k+1} - t_k$  and  $\Delta X_{t_k} = X_{t_{k+1}} - X_{t_k}$ .

*Proof.* The result 1). is trivial.

The proof for 2).

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta X_{t_k} = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dX_s = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (a_s ds + b_s dW_s) = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} a_s ds + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} b_s dW_s.$$

The proof for 3). consider a uniform time discretization  $\Delta t$  of the interval  $[t_0, T]$ , then we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} (\Delta t_k)^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{(\Delta t)}_{\rightarrow 0} \cdot \underbrace{\int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} ds}_{\text{bounded}} = 0$$

The proof for 4).

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (\Delta X_{t_k})^2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} b_{t_k}^2 \Delta W_{t_k}^2 \\ &+ \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} a_{t_k}^2 \Delta t_k^2}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ (Lemma 3.2)}} \\ &+ \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} a_{t_k} b_{t_k}^2 \Delta t_k \Delta W_{t_k}}_{\rightarrow 0} \quad \left( \text{applying Itô isometry in } L^2 \right) \\ &= \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} b_s^2 ds. \quad \left( \text{in } L^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.4.** Under the assumption of the lemmas above, the one dimensional case  $d = m = 1$  of the Itô-Formula is given as

$$f(t, X_t) = f(t_0, X_{t_0}) + \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(s, X_s) + a_s \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(s, X_s) + \frac{1}{2} b_s^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(s, X_s) \right\} ds \quad (12)$$

$$+ \int_{t_0}^t b_s \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(s, X_s) dW_s.$$

*Proof.* For a given discretization of the time interval  $[t_0, T]$  by  $t_k = k \frac{(T-t_0)}{2^n}$ , define  $\Delta t_k = t_{k+1} - t_k$ ;  $\Delta X_{t_k} = X_{t_{k+1}} - X_{t_k}$  and  $\Delta W_{t_k} = W_{t_{k+1}} - W_{t_k}$ . By using the Taylor expansion of order two, we get

$$f(t, X_t) = f(t_0, X_{t_0}) + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \Delta f(t_k, X_{t_k})$$

$$= f(t_0, X_{t_0}) + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \Delta t_k + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta X_{t_k} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (\Delta X_{t_k})^2 \quad (13)$$

$$+ \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial x} \Delta t_k \Delta X_{t_k} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} (\Delta t_k)^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} R_k. \quad (14)$$

Where  $R_k$  consists of sums of higher order partial derivatives of  $f$  as a factor of  $(\Delta t)^2$ ,  $\Delta W_{t_k} (\Delta t)^2$ ,  $\Delta (W_{t_k})^2 \Delta t$  and  $\Delta W_{t_k} \Delta t$ . Using the results of lemma 3.2, we conclude that  $R_k = O((\Delta t)^2)$  and therefore the remainder term vanish in  $L^2$ . Also using the results of lemma 3.2, all terms with  $(\Delta t)^2$  vanish (at least in  $L^2$  if the increment of the Brownian motion appears.) Similar construction could be done for the mixed partial derivatives, which are in general factors either of  $(\Delta t)^2$  or  $\Delta W_{t_k} \Delta t$ . Thus, all terms in (14) vanish in  $L^2$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t \partial x} \Delta t_k \Delta X_{t_k} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} (\Delta t_k)^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} R_k \right) = 0.$$

The passage to the limit in (13), leads to

$$f(t, X_t) = f(t_0, X_{t_0}) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \Delta t_k + \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Delta X_{t_k} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} (\Delta X_{t_k})^2 \right).$$

Since  $dX_t = a_t dt + b_t dW_t$  and using the results of lemma 3.3, the one dimensional Itô formula is proved.

**Example 3.1.** For  $f(t, x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$  with  $X_t = W_t$  and  $a_t = 0, b_t = 1$ . By applying Itô's formula, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} df &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt + a_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dt + b_t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW + \frac{1}{2} b_t^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dt \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt + (1) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW + \frac{1}{2} (1)^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dt \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dt \\ &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} dW + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} dt \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{2} dW_t^2 = W_t dW_t + \frac{1}{2} dt$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \int dW_s^2 = \int W_s dW_s + \frac{1}{2} \int dt$$

Thus,

$$I_t = \int_0^t W_s dW_s = \frac{1}{2}(W_t^2 - t), \quad (15)$$

Note that  $W_t^2$ , represents the square of the end value of the Brownian motion. Thus,  $I_t$  will be considered as a time process if we change the upper bound of the integration interval.

**Example 3.2.** For  $n > 1$ ;  $f(t, x) = x^{n+1}$ . By applying Itô's formula for  $X_t = W_t$ , we have:

$$d(W_t^{n+1}) = (n+1)W_t^n dW_t + \frac{n(n+1)}{2}W_t^{n-1}dt$$

Hence,

$$\int_0^t dW_s^n = \frac{1}{n+1}W_t^{n+1} - \frac{n}{2} \int_0^t W_s^{n-1}ds$$

It is important to note that the integral of a Brownian motion path with respect to time, represented for by  $I(W_t) = \int_0^t W_s ds$  is not a stochastic integral. It represents the Area under Brownian motion path,  $I(W_t)$  is a normal random variable with mean 0 and variance  $\frac{t^3}{3}$ : i.e  $I(W_t) \sim N(0, \frac{t^3}{3})$ . (The proof is similar to the constructions done in lemma 3.2.)

Simulation of sample path of the Itô integral (15). The used function-codes to generate the process  $I_t$

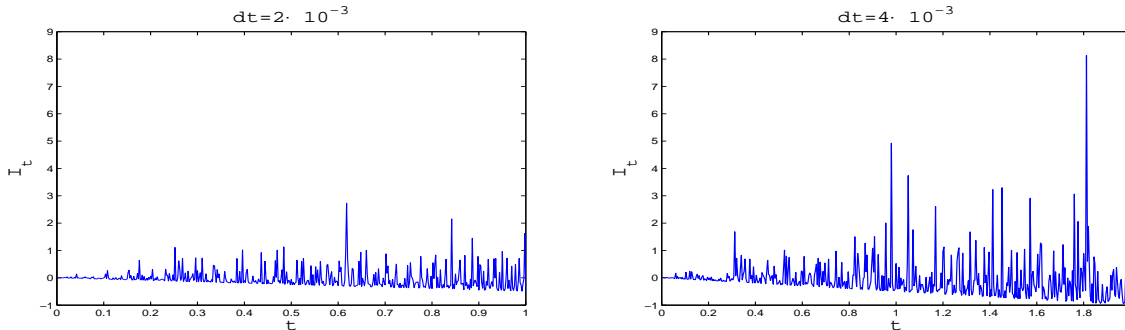


Figure 4: Simulation sample path of the Itô integral with the same number of steps  $N = 500$ .

are:

```
%intWdW Approximate stochastic integrals
function ito=IntWdW(t);
N = 500; dt = t/N;
R=zeros(1,N);
for j=1:N
R(j)=boxm();
end
dW = sqrt(dt)*R;           % increments
W = cumsum(dW);           % cumulative sum
ito =0.5*(W(end)^2-t);
```

Code IntWdW.m

The function 'IntWdWprocess' recall the previous one

```
function Wp=IntWdWprocess(T,N);
return the process int WdW on [0,T]
N is the number of subdivisions
the process will be plotted
dt=T/N;
Wp = zeros(1,N);
T = zeros(1,N);
for j=1:N
T(j)=j*dt;
Wp(j)=IntWdW(T(j));
end
plot(T,Wp);
```

Code IntWdWprocess.m

**Theorem 3.3.** Let us consider the functional  $f : [t_0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with continuous partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$ . Moreover, consider a  $d$ -dimensional Itô-Process  $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$ , then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, X_t^1, \dots, X_t^d) &= f(t_0, X_{t_0}^1, \dots, X_{t_0}^d) + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(s, X_s^1, \dots, X_s^d) ds \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^d \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i}(s, X_s^1, \dots, X_s^d) dX_s^i \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^i \partial x^j}(s, X_s^1, \dots, X_s^d) d \langle X^i, X^j \rangle_s, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t^i &= a^i(s, X_s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^m b^{i,j}(s, X_s) dW_s^j \quad \text{and} \\ d \langle X^i, X^j \rangle_s &= \sum_{k=1}^m b^{i,k}(s, X_s) b^{j,k}(s, X_s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

where  $dW_i dW_j = \delta_{ij} dt$ ,  $dW_i dt = dt dW_i = dt dt = 0$ .

*Proof.* : Similar to the one-dimensional case, only with even more complexity.

**Theorem 3.4. (Partial integration)**

Let us consider two one-dimensional Itô processes  $(X_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$  and  $(Y_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$  defined on the same probability space

$$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t a_s^1 ds + \int_0^t b_s^1 dW_s, \quad Y_t = Y_0 + \int_0^t a_s^2 ds + \int_0^t b_s^2 dW_s.$$

The stochastic partial integration formula is given by

$$X_t Y_t = X_0 Y_0 + \int_0^t X_s dY_s + \int_0^t Y_s dX_s + \int_0^t b_s^1 b_s^2 ds. \quad (17)$$

*Proof.* : See [7].

**Example 3.3.** For  $X_t = Y_t = W_t$  and  $a_t = 0, b_t = 1$ . By applying the stochastic partial integration, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} d(W_t W_t) &= W_s dW_s + W_s dW_s + (1)(1)ds \\ d(W_t^2) &= 2W_s dW_s + ds \\ W_t^2 &= 2 \int_0^t W_s dW_s + \int_0^t 1 ds \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\int_0^t W_s dW_s = \frac{1}{2}(W_t^2 - t).$$

**Remark 3.2.** In this remark, we call the attention of the reader to the behavior of time-integral and time-differential of a Brownian motion. Since this is nowhere differentiable, we use it for the time derivative in the distributional sense of their paths. Thus, we get in both cases a Gaussian stochastic processes. Explicitly, consider a finite difference approximation of  $\xi_t$  using a time interval of width  $t$ ,

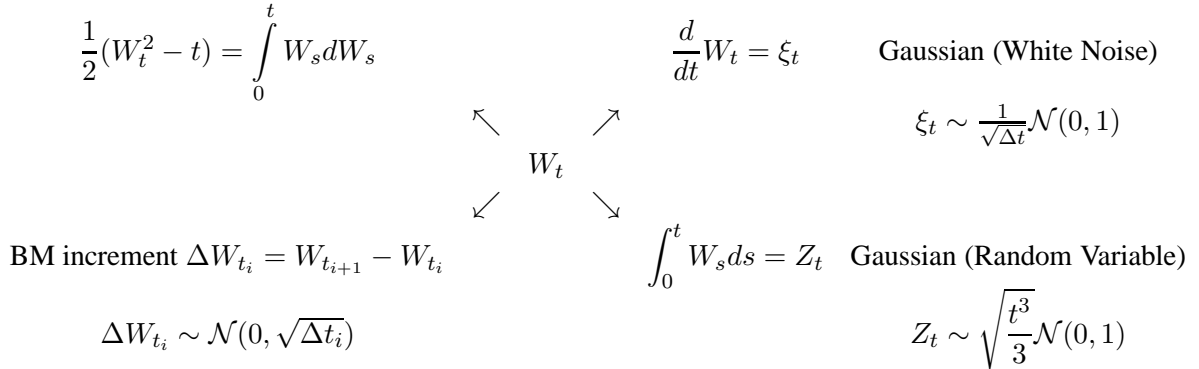
$$\xi_{\Delta t}(t) := \frac{W_{t+\Delta t} - W_t}{\Delta t}$$

and consider the time integral

$$Z_t := \int_0^t W_s ds,$$

representing the area under the path of the Brownian motion  $\{W_s\}_{0 \leq s \leq t}$ .

Let us summarize this relationships in the following diagram:



The white noise as a stationary process has the following properties:

$$\mathbb{E}(\xi_{\Delta t}) = 0; \quad \text{Var}(\xi_{\Delta t}) = \frac{1}{\Delta t}; \quad \text{Cov}(\xi_{\Delta t}(t), \xi_{\Delta t}(s)) = 0; \quad \text{if } t \neq s$$

where  $\delta_{\Delta t}(t)$  is an approximation of the following  $\delta$ -function: This noise is called white whenever one talks about uncorrelated (or independent) noise at each pixel. White noise is the noise signal whose power spectrum is flat (the Fourier transform of its covariance). Otherwise the noise is called Colored Noise.

### 3.3 Multi-indices

In order to be able to define the multiple stochastic integrals, we introduce the following set of multi-indices. Let us consider  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $F = \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$ . A multi-index  $\alpha$  refers to a row vector with components in  $F$  such as  $\alpha = (j_1, \dots, j_l)$  where  $j_i \in F$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq l$ .

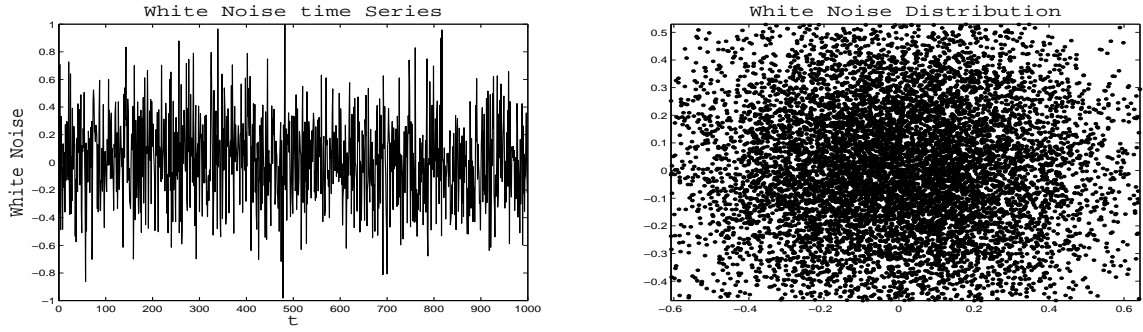


Figure 5: Example of White Noise.

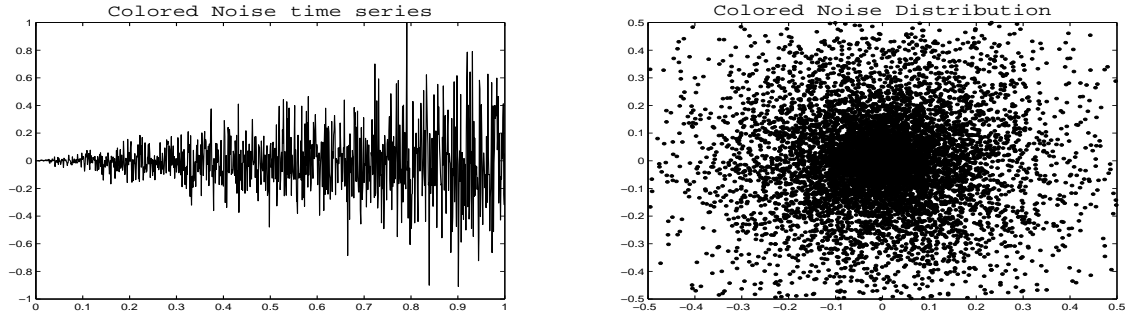


Figure 6: Example of Colored Noise.

We denote the size of  $\alpha$  by  $l(\alpha) := l$  and by  $n(\alpha)$  the number of zero components of  $\alpha$ . The set of all multi-indices with respect to  $F$  is represented by

$$\mathcal{M} = \bigcup_{l=1}^{\infty} F^l \cup \{v\}, \quad (18)$$

where  $v$  refers to the empty multi-index with size zero. The following example gives more sense for the definition above:

**Example 3.4.** For  $\alpha = (1, 0, 2)$  it holds

$$l(\alpha) = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad n(\alpha) = 1.$$

For  $\alpha = (1, 0, 0, 2, 3, 1, 0, 0)$  it holds

$$l(\alpha) = 8 \quad \text{and} \quad n(\alpha) = 4.$$

For  $l, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define the following operations on the multi-index set:

**Definition 3.3.** ("−" operator). For  $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}$  with  $\alpha = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l)$ . For  $l \geq 1$ , we define  $\alpha-$  and  $-\alpha$  as follow:

$$\alpha- := (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_{l-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad -\alpha := (j_2, \dots, j_l).$$

If  $l(\alpha) = l > 1$  then, it implies  $l(-\alpha) = l(\alpha-) = l - 1$ .

If  $l(\alpha) = l = 1$  then, it implies  $-\alpha = \alpha- = v$  and  $l(-\alpha) = l(\alpha-) = 0$ .

**Definition 3.4.** ( $\star$  operator). Let us consider  $\alpha = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l), \beta = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k) \in \mathcal{M}$ . The operator  $\star$  is defined as:

$$\alpha \star \beta := (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k) \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \star \alpha := (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k, j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l).$$

**Definition 3.5.** (" $-[i]$ " operator). For  $\alpha = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l)$  and  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , the Operation " $-[i]$ " represents the " $i$ "-times application of " $-$ ", where the last  $i$  components should be deleted:

$$\alpha - [i] := \begin{cases} (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_{l-i}), & \text{if } i < l; \\ v, & \text{if } i \geq l. \end{cases}$$

It yields  $\alpha - [i] - [j] = \alpha - [i + j]$  for  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 3.5.** If  $\alpha = (1, 0, 2), \beta = (0, 3, 1)$ , then we have

1.  $-\alpha = (0, 2)$  and  $\alpha - = (1, 0)$ ,
2.  $\alpha \star \beta = (1, 0, 2, 0, 3, 1)$  and  $\beta \star \alpha = (0, 3, 1, 1, 0, 2)$ ,
3.  $\alpha - [1] = (1, 0), \alpha - [1] - [1] = \alpha - [2] = (1)$  and  $(1, 0, 2) - [i] = v, \forall i \geq 3$ .

### 3.4 Multiple Itô-Integrals

Throughout the following section, all stochastic processes are defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathfrak{A}, P)$  with right continuous augmented filtration  $\mathfrak{F} = (\mathfrak{F}_t)_{t \in \mathbb{T}}$ .

**Definition 3.6.** Define the set  $H$  as a set of stochastic processes  $(f_t)_{t \geq 0}$ , which are progressively adapted to the associated filtration  $\{\mathfrak{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ , right continuous and the left limit exists. Conceptively define the sets  $H_v, H_{(0)}, H_{(1)}$  as follow

1.  $H_v := \{f \in H : \forall t \geq t_0 \quad |f(t, w)| < \infty \quad \text{a.s.}\},$
2.  $H_{(0)} := \left\{f \in H : \forall t \geq t_0 \quad \int_{t_0}^t |f(s, w)| ds < \infty \quad \text{a.s.}\right\},$
3.  $H_{(1)} := \left\{f \in H : \forall t \geq t_0 \quad \int_{t_0}^t |f(s, w)|^2 ds < \infty \quad \text{a.s.}\right\}.$

For  $j \in F \setminus \{0\}$  one sets  $H_{(j)} = H_{(1)}$ .

**Definition 3.7.** Let us consider  $\alpha = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_l)$  a multi-index and  $(W_t)_{t \geq 0}$  an  $m$ -dimensional Brownian motion. For  $f \in H_{(\alpha)}$ , multiple Itô-Integrals are defined per recursion as follows:

$$I_\alpha[f(\cdot)]_{t_0, t} := \begin{cases} f(t), & \text{if } l = 0 \\ \int_{t_0}^t I_{\alpha-}[f(\cdot)]_{t_0, s} ds, & \text{if } l \geq 1 \text{ and } j_l = 0 \\ \int_{t_0}^t I_{\alpha-}[f(\cdot)]_{t_0, s} dW_s^{j_l}, & \text{if } l \geq 1 \text{ and } j_l \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

here  $H_{(\alpha)}$  is defined per recursion as

$$H_{(\alpha)} := \{f \in H : I_{(\alpha-)}[f(\cdot)]_{t_0, \cdot} \in H_{(j_l)}\}, \quad (19)$$

for  $j_l = 0, 1, \dots, m$  and  $l \geq 2$ .

**Example 3.6.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{(1,2)}[f(\cdot)]_{t_0,t} &= \int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^s f(z) dW_z^1 dW_s^2, \\
 I_{(1,2,0)}[f(\cdot)]_{t_0,t} &= \int_{t_0}^t I_{(1,2)}[f(\cdot)]_{0,s} ds \\
 &= \int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^s \int_{t_0}^{s_1} f(s_2) dW_{s_2}^1 dW_{s_1}^2 ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

For simplification, we will use the following notation

$$I_{\alpha,t} = I_{\alpha}[1]_{0,t} \text{ and } W_t^0 = t.$$

Recall that the Kronecker symbol  $\delta$  for  $j_{i_1}, j_{i_2} = 0, 1, \dots, l$ . is defined by

$$\delta_{j_{i_1}, j_{i_2}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j_{i_1} = j_{i_2}, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let us consider  $l \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha = (j_1, \dots, j_l) \in \mathcal{M}$ . For  $t \geq 0$ , we have

$$I_{(j),t} I_{(\alpha),t} = \sum_{i=0}^l I_{(\alpha-[l-i])*(j,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l),t} + \sum_{i=1}^l B_{jj_i} I_{(\alpha-[l-i+1])*(0,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l),t}, \quad (20)$$

where  $B_{jj_i} = \delta_{j,j_i}(1 - \delta_{0,j})$ .

*Proof.* By using partial integration, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha,t}) &= I_{(j),t} d(I_{\alpha,t}) + I_{\alpha,t} d(I_{(j),t}) + (1 - \delta_{0,j}) I_{\alpha-} dW_t^j dW_t^{j_l} \\
 &= I_{(j),t} d(I_{\alpha,t}) + I_{\alpha,t} d(I_{(j),t}) + (1 - \delta_{0,j}) \delta_{jj_l} I_{\alpha-,t} dt \\
 &= I_{(j),t} d(I_{\alpha,t}) + I_{\alpha,t} d(I_{(j),t}) + B_{jj_l} I_{\alpha-,t} dt \\
 &= I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha-,t} dW_t^{j_l} + I_{\alpha,t} d(I_{(j),t}) + B_{jj_l} I_{\alpha-,t} dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

For simplification, let us define the terms  $A_{\alpha,t}^j = I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha,t}$  for  $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{\alpha,t}^j &= \int_0^t I_{\alpha,s} dI_{(j),s} + \int_0^t I_{(j),s} I_{\alpha-,s} dW_s^{j_l} + B_{jj_l} \int_0^t I_{\alpha-,s} ds \\
 &= \int_0^t I_{\alpha,s} dW_s^j + \int_0^t A_{(\alpha-[1]),s}^j dW_s^j + B_{jj_l} I_{(\alpha-[1])*(0),t}, \\
 &= I_{\alpha*(j),t} + \int_0^t A_{(\alpha-[1]),s}^j dW_s^j + B_{jj_l} I_{(\alpha-[1])*(0),t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Per induction over  $l$  in  $\alpha$  in  $A_{\alpha-[1],t}^j$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{\alpha,t}^j &= I_{\alpha*(j),t} + \int_0^t I_{(\alpha-[1])*(j),s_{l-1}} dW_{s_l}^{j_l} + \int_0^t \int_0^{s_l} A_{(\alpha-[2]),s_{l-1}}^j dW_{s_{l-1}}^{j_{l-1}} dW_{s_l}^{j_l} \\
 &\quad + B_{jj_{l-1}} \int_0^t I_{\alpha-[2]*(0),t} dW_{s_l}^{j_l} + B_{jj_l} I_{(\alpha-[1])*(0),t} \\
 &= I_{\alpha*(j),t} + I_{(\alpha-[1])*(j,j_l),t} + \int_0^t \int_0^{s_l} A_{(\alpha-[2]),s_{l-1}}^j dW_{s_{l-1}}^{j_{l-1}} dW_{s_l}^{j_l} \\
 &\quad + B_{jj_{l-1}} I_{(\alpha-[2])*(0,j_l),t} + B_{jj_l} I_{(\alpha-[1])*(0),t}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now the same procedure will be applied to  $A_{(\alpha-[2]),s_{l-1}^j}$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\alpha,t}^j &= \sum_{i=1}^l I_{(\alpha-[l-i])*(j,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l),t} + \int_0^t \int_0^{s_l} \cdots \int_0^{s_2} A_{(\alpha-[l]),s_1}^j dW_{s_1}^{j_1} \cdots dW_{s_l}^{j_l} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^l B_{jj_i} I_{(\alpha-[l-i+1])*(0,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l),t}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$A_{(\alpha-[l]),s_1}^j = I_{(j),s_1} I_{(\alpha-[l]),j_l} = I_{(j),s_1} I_{v,s_1} = I_{(j),s_l} = \int_0^{s_1} dW_s^j, \quad (21)$$

hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_{(\alpha-[l])*(j,j_1,\dots,j_l),t} &= \int_0^t \int_0^{s_l} \cdots \int_0^{s_2} A_{(\alpha-[l]),s_1}^j dW_{s_1}^{j_1} \cdots dW_{s_l}^{j_l} \\ &= \int_0^t \int_0^{s_l} \cdots \int_0^{s_2} \int_0^{s_1} dW_s^j dW_{s_1}^{j_1} \cdots dW_{s_l}^{j_l}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

by replacing (21) and (22) in (21), we obtain (20). Thus, we achieve the proof of the theorem.

The following corollary gives a clear idea about an interesting class of multiple stochastic integrals

**Corollary 3.1.** Consider  $l, j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\alpha = (j, j, \dots, j)$  with  $l(\alpha) = l$ . It holds:

$$I_{\alpha,t} = \begin{cases} \frac{t^l}{l!} & \text{for } j = 0, \\ \frac{1}{l} (W_t^j I_{\alpha-,t} - t I_{\alpha-[2],t}) & \text{for } j \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From theorem 3.5 ( $B_{0,0} = 0$ ) it follows

$$\begin{aligned} t I_{\alpha,t} = I_{(0),t} I_{\alpha,t} &= \sum_{i=0}^l I_{(\alpha-[l-i])*(j,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l)} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^l \underbrace{I_{(0,0,\dots,0)}}_{(l+1)\text{-times}} \\ &= (l+1) \frac{t^{l+1}}{(l+1)!}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

The length of the multi-index  $((\alpha - [l-i]) * (j, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_l))$  is determined by:

$$\begin{aligned} l((\alpha - [l-i]) * (j, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_l)) &= l(\alpha - [l-i]) + l((j, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_l)) \\ &= l(\alpha - [l-i]) + l((j)) + l(j_{i+1}, \dots, j_l) \\ &= l - (l-i) + 1 + (l-i) \\ &= l+1. \end{aligned}$$

From (23), we get  $I_{\alpha,t} = \frac{t^l}{l!}$ . For  $j \geq 1$  it yields  $B_{jj} = 1$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha-,t} &= \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} \underbrace{I_{(j,\dots,j)}}_{l\text{-times}} + \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} I_{((\alpha)-[1]-[l-i+1])*(0,j_{i+1},\dots,j_l)} \\ &= \underbrace{I_{(j,\dots,j)}}_{l\text{-times}} + \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \underbrace{I_{((\alpha)-[1]-[l-i+1])*(0,j,\dots,j)}}_{\text{size}=(l-1)} \\ &= \underbrace{I_{(j,\dots,j)}}_{l\text{-times}} + \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \underbrace{I_{((\alpha)-[2]-[l-i])*(0,j,\dots,j)}}_{\text{size}=(l-1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Using theorem 3.5 for  $j = 0$ , it follows

$$\begin{aligned} I_{(0),t} I_{\alpha-[2],t} &= t I_{\alpha-[2],t} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \underbrace{I_{((\alpha) - [2] - [l-i]) * (0, j, \dots, j)}}_{\text{size}=(l-1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

From (24) and (25) it follows:

$$I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha-,t} = l \underbrace{I_{(j, \dots, j)}}_{(l)\text{-times}} + t I_{\alpha-[2],t}.$$

thus

$$\underbrace{I_{(j, \dots, j)}}_{l\text{-times}} = \frac{1}{l} (I_{(j),t} I_{\alpha-,t} - t I_{\alpha-[2],t})$$

**Lemma 3.5.** We have the following values of the multiple stochastic integrals for the special case  $\alpha = (j, j, \dots, j) \in \mathcal{M}$ :

$$I_{(j,j),t} = \frac{1}{3} \left( I_{(j),t} \frac{1}{2} (I_{(j),t}^2 - t) - t I_{(j),t} \right) = \frac{1}{3!} (I_{(j),t}^3 - 3t I_{(j),t}), \quad (26)$$

$$I_{(j,j,j),t} = \frac{1}{4!} (I_{(j),t}^4 - 6t I_{(j),t}^2 + 3t^2), \quad (27)$$

$$I_{(j,j,j,j),t} = \frac{1}{5!} (I_{(j),t}^5 - 10t I_{(j),t}^3 + 15t^2 I_{(j),t}), \quad (28)$$

$$I_{(j,j,j,j,j),t} = \frac{1}{6!} (I_{(j),t}^6 - 15t I_{(j),t}^4 + 45t^2 I_{(j),t}^2 - 15t^3), \quad (29)$$

$$I_{(j,j,j,j,j,j),t} = \frac{1}{7!} (I_{(j),t}^7 - 21t I_{(j),t}^5 + 105t^2 I_{(j),t}^3 - 105t^3 I_{(j),t}). \quad (30)$$

*Proof.* Note that, since  $(j, j) - [2] = v$ , we have

$$I_{(j,j),t} = \frac{1}{2} (I_{(j),t}^2 - t) = \frac{1}{2} ((W_t^j)^2 - t). \quad (31)$$

The proof of the other multiple integrals is left to the reader (use Corollary 3.1).

**Remark 3.3.** The following stochastic integral

$$I_{(j_1, j_2)_{t_0}, t} = \int_{t_0}^t \int_{t_0}^{s_1} dW_s^{j_1} dW_{s_1}^{j_2},$$

where  $W_t^{j_1}$  and  $W_t^{j_2}$  are two independent Brownian motions can not be evaluated exactly so approximations must be used to estimate it. Some proposed approximation could be found in literature, for instance in [4], one can use the direct expansion of the variation of the double integral. However, in [5], the use of the periodic concept of Brownian Bridge and the Fourier series gives another approximation method. One of the useful approximation is a direct evaluation of the variation given by:

$$\hat{I}_{(j_1, j_2)_{t_0}, t} = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \int_{t_0}^{t_i} dW_s^{j_1} dW_{s_1}^{j_2} = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} (W_{t_i}^{j_1} - W_{t_0}^{j_1})(W_{t_{i+1}}^{j_2} - W_{t_i}^{j_2}) \quad (32)$$

where  $t_i^N$  is a time discretization of the time interval  $[t_0, t]$ .

One of the interesting open questions is that: Can we find more accuracy formula for approximation  $I_{(1,2),t}$  by using the class of multiple stochastic integrals  $I_{(1,1),t}$  and  $I_{(2,2),t}$ ? More difficult types of multiple stochastic integrals are  $I_{\alpha,t}$ , where at least tow components of  $\alpha$ ,  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  are disjunct. These integrals can not be analyzed in a similar way as for  $\alpha$  with the same components. However, it is more difficult and interesting to determine an explicit formula for approximating their numerical behaviors.

### 3.5 Simulation of a class of multiple Itô Integrals

Let  $\alpha$  be chosen according to corollary 3.1. Consider an equidistant discretization of the interval  $[0, 1]$ . The path of the stochastic integrals are generated on  $t_n$ , and by using linear interpolation the generated trajectory is a continuous one. The stochastic paths (26)-(30) show simulation of multiple Itô-Integrals: with step size  $\Delta = \frac{1}{500}$ . The reader will observe that the time series behavior of the multiple stochastic integrals, with  $\alpha = (1, \dots, 1) \in \mathcal{M}$  have the same behavior. Furthermore, according to our simulations of these stochastic processes, they cannot have similar behavior to the Gaussian. One of the reasons for this dilemma is that for larger size of the multi-index i.e.  $l(\alpha_1) > l(\alpha_2)$  the amplitude of the corresponding time series has smaller values. See figure 7. In all figures bellow, we remark the Colored-Noise behavior of the stochastic integrals  $I_\alpha$ . We also left the attention of the reader to the increasing time dependent amplitude.

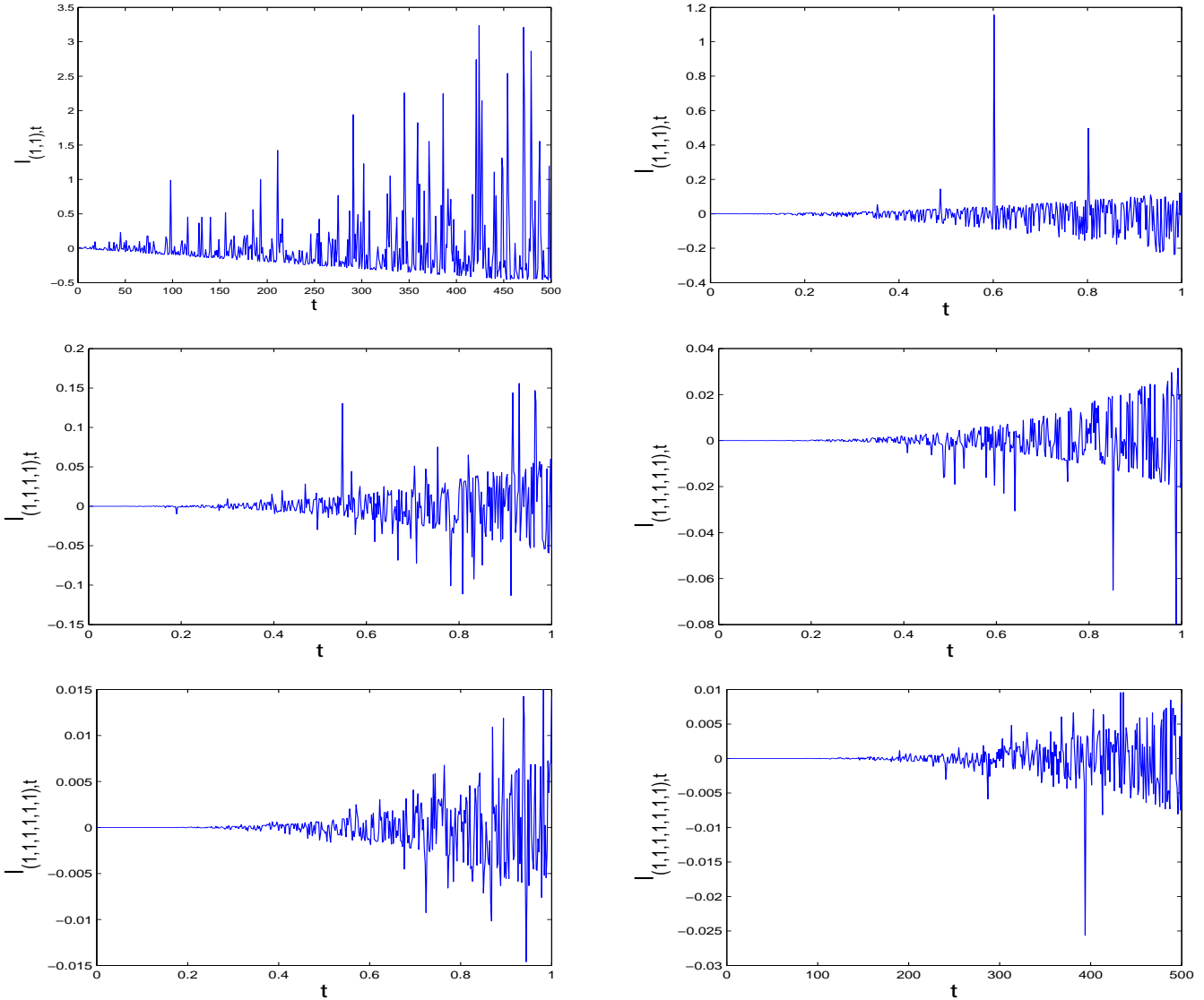


Figure 7: Paths of multiple integral processes for different  $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}$ .

This following code generates one value of  $I_{(1,1,1),t}$  using 500–time iterations

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```
% int3dW.m Approximate stochastic integrals
% return the value of the multiple stoch. int. for (1,1,1) on [0,t]
% enter the integral upper bound t
function x=Int3dW(t);
N = 500; dt = t/N;
R=zeros(1,N);
for j=1:N
R(j)=boxm();
end
dW = sqrt(dt)*R;
W = cumsum(dW);
% compute the valute of the integral
% based on the upper bound and the end value of the BM.
r=W(end);
x =(r^3-3*t*r)/6;
```

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Code Int3dW.m

The following code generates the process  $I_{(1,1,1),t}$  in  $N$ –time iterations

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```
function Wp=Int3dWprocess(T,N);
dt=T/N;
Wp = zeros(1,N);
T = zeros(1,N);
for j=1:N
T(j)=j*dt;
Wp(j)=Int3dW(T(j));
end
plot(T,Wp);
```

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Code Int3dWprocess.m

## 4 Concluding Remarks

In this work we have made a contribution to the subject of computational stochastics. We have, proved the recurrence relationship for the class of stochastic integrals, where the multi-index has the same components. In several examples, we have shown the graphical behavior of such processes. Furthermore, we have introduced the reader to many techniques and open questions. The numerical approach presented here, could be employed for the treatment of many processes derived from the Brownian motion. In particular, we have simulated the time-integral and the time-differential of the Brownian motion. Consequently, we have clearly illustrated the difference between the time-behavior of the area under the path of Brownian motion and the behavior of white noise. This paper, is a semi-review of the stochastic integration, which is intended to motivate graduate students and also young researcher in the topics of computational stochastics. Therefore, we have included in it interesting matlab codes. It is our intention for the future to finish similar work on stochastic differential equations (SDEs) and stochastic partial differential equations (SPDEs).

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