

On the distribution of the local times on the Brownian bridge

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I intend to show that the law of  $(L_t^\mu, \mu \geq 0)$  may be characterized by an identity in law which generalizes (26), Proposition 3 of July, 30<sup>th</sup>. (I shall keep the same notations, and extend them).

Indeed, if we consider  $(B_t - \mu t, t \geq 0)$ , the Brownian motion with drift  $(-\mu)$  ( $\mu > 0$ ), and if we denote by  $(L_t^\mu, \mu \geq 0)$  the family of its local times at positive levels, then we have the following expressions of (23), (25), (26), (26'), (28):

$$(23) \mu \sup_{t \geq 0} (B_t - \mu t) \sim \frac{e}{2\mu};$$

Proposition 3: We have the identity in law:  $(L_t^\mu, \mu \geq 0)$   $\stackrel{d}{\sim}$   $(\frac{y}{\mu}, y \geq 0)$ .

Corollary: For any given  $x > 0$ , the identity in law (25)  $\mu$  holds,

$$(25) \mu \text{ where: } L_x^\mu \sim \left( \frac{x}{\mu} - 2x \right)^+.$$

Proof of the Corollary: Using (1.a) and (26)  $\mu$  in conjunction, we have:  $L_x^\mu \sim \frac{x}{\mu} - \frac{|N|}{2x\mu} +$

and, therefore:  $\sigma_x^2 \sim \left(\frac{1}{\mu} - 2x\right)^+$   $\sim \left(\frac{\sigma}{\mu} - 2x\right)^+$ , which is (25)  $\square$

We now recall the Ray-Knight theorem concerning  $(\sigma_y^2, y \geq 0)$ .

Proposition 4: i) We have:

$$\sigma_0^2 \sim \frac{\sigma}{\mu}$$

ii) Given  $\sigma_0^2 = a$ , the law of  $(\sigma_y^2, y \geq 0)$  is  $\mathcal{Q}_{(-\mu)}^a$ , the law of the square of the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process with dimension 0 and parameter  $(-\mu)$ , that is, if we denote:  $X_x \equiv \sigma_x^2$ , we have:

$$(30) \quad X_x = a + 2 \int_x^\infty \sqrt{X_y} d\beta_y - 2\mu \int_x^\infty dy X_y,$$

where  $(\beta_y, y \geq 0)$  is a one-dimensional Brownian motion.

Sketch of the proof: Define  $x_t = \beta_t - \mu t$ , and use Tanaka's formula

for  $(x_t - x)^+$ ; then:

$$(x_t - x)^+ = (-x)^+ + \int_0^t 1_{(x_s > x)} dx_s + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x^2(t).$$

Let  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain:

$$\sigma_x^2 = -2 \int_0^\infty d\beta_s 1_{(x_s > x)} + 2\mu \int_0^\infty ds 1_{(x_s > x)}$$

so that:

$$\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_0^2 + 2 \int_0^\infty d\beta_s 1_{(0 < x_s < x)} - 2\mu \int_0^\infty ds 1_{(0 < x_s < x)}$$

and given:  $\mathcal{Q}_0^{(\mu)} = a$ , we obtain easily

$$X_\alpha = a + 2 \int_\alpha^0 d\beta \sqrt{X_\beta} - 2\mu \int_\alpha^0 d\gamma X_\gamma$$

For ~~the~~ computations in the Appendix, it will be interesting to relate  $\mathcal{Q}_a^{(\mu)}$  and  $\mathcal{Q}_a^{(0)}$  with the help of Geronov's theorem (in fact, for a lot of computations, we shall be able to use our formulae in: 'Asymptotics of Bond Bridges').

Proposition 5: We have, for  $a > 0$ , and any  $\alpha \geq 0$ :

$$\mathcal{Q}_a^{(\mu)} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_\alpha} \equiv \exp \left[ -\frac{\mu}{2} (X_\alpha - a) - \frac{\mu^2}{2} \int_\alpha^0 d\gamma X_\gamma \right] \cdot \mathcal{Q}_a^{(0)} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_\alpha}$$

and, with  $\alpha = \infty$ ,

$$\mathcal{Q}_a^{(\mu)} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_\infty} \equiv \exp \left( \frac{\mu a}{2} - \frac{\mu^2}{2} \int_\infty^0 d\gamma X_\gamma \right) \cdot \mathcal{Q}_a^{(0)} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_\infty}$$

Proof: (31) $_\alpha$  is an immediate application of Geronov's theorem, and (31) $_\infty$  is obtained from (31) $_\alpha$ , by letting  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ , which presents no (uniform) integrability problem since the exponential martingale which is featured in (31) $_\alpha$  is uniformly bounded.

Remark:

As a check, we remark that, from (31) $_\infty$ , we obtain:

$$(32) \quad \mathcal{Q}_a^{(0)} \left( \exp - \frac{\mu^2}{2} \int_\infty^0 d\gamma X_\gamma \right) = \exp \left( -\frac{\mu a}{2} \right)$$

which is certainly correct, since, using another R-K theorem, the left-hand side

of (32) is:  $E \left[ \exp \left( \frac{\mu^2}{2} z_+^2 \right) \right] = \exp \left( -\frac{\mu^2}{2} \right)$ ,

where:  $z_+^2 = \int_0^\infty dx L_x^2 = \int_0^\infty dx \mathbb{1}_{(B_s > 0)}$ , and  $z_-^2 \equiv \int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{\{t: L_t > a\}}$

$(L_x^2)_{t \geq 0, x \in \mathbb{R}}$  is part of the family of Brownian local times

Application: From Proposition 3 and Proposition 5, we may now deduce a

formula for the Laplace transform of the law of the Brownian bridge:

indeed, let  $m(dy)$  be a  $\geq 0$  finite measure on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ; then, we deduce from

that:

(26)  $E \left[ \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) \right] = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^\infty dx \exp \left( -\frac{x^2}{2} \right) E \left[ \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) \right] \frac{\mu}{x} L_{\mu/x}$

(33) (changing variable with  $x = \mu z$ )  $= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^\infty dz \mu \exp \left( -\frac{\mu^2 z^2}{2} \right) E \left[ \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) \right] L_{\mu}$

On the other hand, the left-hand side of (33) is, thanks to Proposition 4, equal to:

$\mu \int_0^\infty dx e^{-\mu x} Q^{(-\mu)} \left( \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) X_{\mu}^{\mu} \right)$ , so that we now have the following:

Proposition 6: For any  $\mu > 0$ ,

(4)  $\frac{\mu}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^\infty dz \exp \left( -\frac{\mu^2 z^2}{2} \right) E \left[ \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) \right] L_{\mu}^{\mu} = \int_0^\infty dx e^{-\mu x} Q^{(-\mu)} \left( \exp \left( - \int_0^\infty m(dy) \right) X_{\mu}^{\mu} \right)$

I believe that a lot of explicit computations can be obtained from ~~these~~ since

formula (34)

are readily obtained (see: A decomposition of Bond bridges) and in particular because the family  $(Q_{(-\mu)}^x; x \geq 0)$

$$Q_{(-\mu)}^{x+x'} = Q_{(-\mu)}^x \oplus Q_{(-\mu)}^{x'}$$

is additive in  $x$ .

with our old notations.

(Notation: We must be careful about the notation  $Q_{(-\mu)}^x$  because our old notation  $Q_x^i$  means  $BESQ_x^i$ .)