

Solutions to Problems - Part 1

1.

(a)

$$dX_t = \mu dt + \sigma dB_t$$

(b)

$$dS_t = \left(\mu + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 \right) S_t dt + \sigma S_t dB_t$$

(c)

$$P[S_t < S_{t-1}] = \dots = P\left[B_t - B_{t-1} < \frac{-\mu}{\sigma}\right] = \dots = \Phi(-0.24) = 0.405$$

2.

(a) In the long term, $\mathbb{E}[\sigma_t] = 0.2$ and $Var[\sigma_t] = 0.002976$. The long term distribution is $N[0.2; 0.002976]$

(c) $\mu = 0.2$ and $\frac{\beta^2}{2\alpha} = Var[\sigma_t] = 0.002976$.

(d) The parameter values can be such that, in the long term, we have that correlation between times $t - 1$ and t is the same for both models, i.e.,

$$corr[\sigma_{t-1}, \sigma_t]$$

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(e)

$$dV_t = \left[-2\alpha V_t + 2\alpha\mu\sqrt{V_t} + \beta^2 \right] dt + 2\beta\sqrt{V_t}dB_t.$$