Advanced Topics in Stochastic Analysis

- Introduction to Schramm-Loewner evolution

Mondays 12-14 and Thursdays 8-10 in Endenicher Allee 60 - SemR 1.008

Exercises – Set 5

- 1. Prove that for a complex Brownian motion
 - (a) starting from $z \in \mathbb{D}$, the hitting density on the circle $S^1 \ni e^{\mathrm{i}\theta}$ is

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{\mathrm{i}\theta} - z|^2},$$

(b) starting from $z = x + iy \in \mathbb{H}$, the hitting density on the real line $\mathbb{R} \ni u$ is

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{y}{(x-u)^2 + y^2}.$$

(c) starting from $z \in \mathbb{H} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$, the first hitting density $p_z(e^{i\theta})$ on the half-circle $\mathbb{H} \cap S^1 \ni e^{i\theta}$ satisfies

$$p_z(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)}{|z|^2} \sin(\theta) \left(1 + \mathcal{O}(|z|^{-1})\right), \text{ as } z \to \infty.$$

2. Let $K \subset \overline{\mathbb{H} \cap \mathbb{D}}$ be a hull. Prove that

$$hcap(K) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \mathbb{E}_{\exp(i\theta)}[Im(B_{\tau})] \sin(\theta) d\theta,$$

where $\tau = \tau_{\mathbb{H}\backslash K} = \inf\{t \geq 0 \mid B_t \notin \mathbb{H} \setminus K\}$ and $B \sim \mathbb{P}_{\exp(i\theta)}$ is the complex (2D) Brownian motion started from $\exp(i\theta)$.

3. Let B be a standard 1D Brownian motion. For $t \ge 0$, denote $\Delta_{m,n} = B_{tm2^{-n}} - B_{t(m-1)2^{-n}}$. Calculate

$$\mathbb{E}\bigg[\bigg(\sum_{m\leq 2^n}\Delta_{m,n}^2-t\bigg)^2\bigg]$$

and use Borel-Cantelli lemma to show that, almost surely,

$$\sum_{m \le 2^n} \Delta_{m,n}^2 \to t \quad \text{as } n \to \infty.$$

(Thus, sample paths of B behave locally like \sqrt{t} .)

4. Let B be a standard 1D Brownian motion. Let $\alpha > 1/2$. Show that almost surely, at every point $t \ge 0$, B fails to be locally α -Hölder continuous.