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Mathematical Finance 2

Exercise sheet 7

- 1. Solve Exercise 4.18 of Shreve's book.
- 2. Solve Exercise 4.19 of Shreve's book.
- **3.** Let W_1, \ldots, W_n be independent standard Brownian motions, and define the process X by $X(t) = h(W_1(t), \ldots, W_n(t))$ for some bounded function $h : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$. Show that X is a martingale (submartingale) if h is harmonic (subharmonic).

Hint : A function $h(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ is said to be *harmonic* resp. *subharmonic* if it satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial^2 h}{\partial x_i^2} = 0 \quad \text{resp.} \quad \ge 0.$$

Website : http://www.mat.univie.ac.at/~finance_hp/exercisesSS13_MF.html