

On the uniqueness of solutions of stochastic differential equations II

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The present paper is a continuation of [1] in which we have discussed the uniqueness of solutions of stochastic differential equations. The condition of the pathwise uniqueness of solutions obtained in [1] is essentially in one-dimensional case and we shall investigate here the general multi-dimensional case.

Let $\sigma(t, x) = (\sigma_j^i(t, x))$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, $j = 1, \dots, r$, and $b(t, x) = (b^i(t, x))$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, be defined on $[0, \infty) \times R^n$, bounded and Borel measurable in (t, x) such that $\sigma(t, x)$ is an $n \times r$ -matrix and $b(t, x)$ is an $n \times 1$ -matrix. We consider the following Itô's stochastic differential equation;

$$(1) \quad dx_t = \sigma(t, x_t) dB_t + b(t, x_t) dt,$$

or, in component wise,

$$(1') \quad dx_t^i = \sum_{j=1}^r \sigma_j^i(t, x_t) dB_t^j + b^i(t, x_t) dt \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

A precise formulation is as follows; by a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with an increasing family of Borel fields \mathcal{F}_t , which is denoted as $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P; \mathcal{F}_t)$, we mean a standard probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with a system $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \in [0, \infty)}$ of sub Borel-fields of \mathcal{F} such that $\mathcal{F}_t \subset \mathcal{F}_s$ if $t < s$.

Definition 1. By a solution of the equation (1), we mean a