



L^p -estimates on a ratio involving a Bessel process*

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Abstract: Let $Z=(Z_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a Bessel process of dimension δ ($\delta > 0$) starting at zero and let $K(t)$ be a differentiable function on $[0, \infty)$ with $K(t) > 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Then we establish the relationship between L^p -norm of $\log^{1/2}(1+\delta J_t)$ and L^p -norm of $\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} Z_t [t+K(t)]^{-1/2}$ ($0 \leq t \leq \tau$) for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$. As an interesting example, we show that $\|\log^{1/2}(1+\delta L_{m+1}(\tau))\|_p$ and $\|\sup_{0 \leq j \leq m, j \in \mathbb{Z}; 0 \leq t \leq \tau} [1+L_j(t)]^{-1/2}\|_p$ ($0 \leq j \leq m, j \in \mathbb{Z}; 0 \leq t \leq \tau$) are equivalent with $0 < p < +\infty$ for all stopping times τ and all integer numbers m , where the function $L_m(t)$ ($t \geq 0$) is inductively defined by $L_{m+1}(t) = \log[1+L_m(t)]$ with $L_0(t) = 1$.

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INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, we shall work with a filtered complete probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, (F_t), P)$ satisfying the usual conditions. Let $B=(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a standard Brownian motion with $B_0=0$. Denote by \mathbb{R}_+ the set of all non-negative real numbers.

Recall that a diffusion process X starting at $x \geq 0$ is called the square of a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ if

$$dX_t = \delta dt + 2\sqrt{X_t} dB_t, \quad X_0 = x, \quad (1)$$

Clearly, this equation has a unique non-negative strong solution X , i.e., such that, for each $t \geq 0$ random variable X_t is $F_t^B = \sigma(B_s, 0 \leq s \leq t)$ -measurable. The process X is called the square of a Bessel process of

dimension $\delta > 0$ (in symbol, $X \in BESQ^\delta(x)$) (Revuz and Yor, 1998). The expression $r = \delta/2 - 1$ is called the index of the process. The process $Z = \sqrt{X_t}$ ($X \in BESQ^\delta(x)$) is called a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at \sqrt{x} . The Bessel process Z of dimension $\delta > 0$ is a continuous non-negative Markovian process. The Bessel processes of dimension $\delta \geq 1$ are submartingales, and the Bessel processes of dimension $0 < \delta < 1$ are not semimartingales. See (Revuz and Yor, 1998) for Bessel processes with non-negative dimension. Furthermore, we can extend Bessel processes of dimension $\delta > 0$ to $\delta < 0$ (Dubins et al., 1993; Göing-Jaesche and Yor, 2003).

The main aim of this paper is to present an L^p ($0 < p < +\infty$) estimate on the ratio of the form $\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} Z_t [t+K(t)]^{-1/2}$ ($0 \leq t \leq \tau$) for all stopping times τ , where Z is a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at zero and $t \mapsto K(t)$ is a differentiable function on \mathbb{R}_+ with $K(t) > 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Our fundamental theorem is Theorem 1, where, for $X \in BESQ^\delta(0)$ with $\delta > 0$ we show that the inequalities

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b_p} \left\| \log \left(1 + \delta \int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right\|_p &\leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right\|_p \\ &\leq 4b_p \cdot 2^{\delta/2} \left\| \log \left(1 + \delta \int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right\|_p \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

hold for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$, where $b_p = 9(e+2ep)^{(1+2p)/p}$. As an interesting example, for every stopping time τ and every non-negative integer number m we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2b_{p/2}}} \left\| \log^{1/2}(1+\delta L_{m+1}(\tau)) \right\|_p &\leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} Z_t / \sqrt{\prod_{j=0}^m (1+L_j(t))} \right\|_p \\ &\leq \sqrt{8b_{p/2}} 2^{\delta/4} \left\| \log^{1/2}(1+\delta L_{m+1}(\tau)) \right\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

with $0 < p < +\infty$, where the function $t \mapsto L_{m+1}(t)$ on \mathbb{R}_+ is inductively defined by

$$L_{m+1}(t) = \log(1+L_m(t)), \quad m \geq 0,$$

with $L_0(t) = 1$ (Graversen and Peskir, 2000; Yan, 2003; Yan and Zhu, 2004; 2005; Yan and Ling, 2005).

Finally, as an extension to inequalities (2), we consider the L^p estimate on the solution of the equation

$$dX_t = (\delta f^2(t) - h(t)X_t)dt + 2f(t)\sqrt{|X_t|}dB_t, \quad X_0 = x,$$

where $\delta > 0$ and $f, h: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ two continuous functions with $f(t) > 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$).

RESULT AND PROOF

In this section we shall give the proof of inequalities (2) and some related inequalities. Let $t \mapsto K(t)$ be a differentiable function on \mathbb{R}_+ with $K(t) > 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$) and let $\delta > 0$. Assume that $a: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is the solution to the equation

$$\frac{da}{dt} - \frac{K'(t)}{K(t)}a = -\frac{2a^2}{K(t)}, \quad a(0) = 1, \quad (3)$$

and that

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^x t^{-\delta/2} e^{t/2} dt \int_0^t s^{\delta/2-1} e^{-s/2} ds, \quad x \geq 0. \quad (4)$$

Define the function $(t, x) \mapsto F(t, x)$ by $F(t, x) = G(a(t)x) = 1$. Then

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\delta - K'(t)x}{K(t)} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{2x}{K(t)} \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = \frac{a(t)}{K(t)}, \quad (5)$$

and $F(t, 0) = 0$.

On the other hand, it is not difficult to check that the inequalities

$$2^{2-\delta/2} (e^{x/4} - 1) / \delta \leq G(x) \leq 2(e^{x/2} - 1) / \delta \quad (6)$$

hold $\forall x \geq 0$. Clearly, the upper bound in inequalities (6) is optimal, since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \{G(x) / [2(e^{x/2} - 1) / \delta]\} = 1$.

The lower bound in inequalities (6) may be replaced by

$$\frac{2}{\delta} \frac{\varepsilon^{\delta/2}}{1-\varepsilon} [e^{(1-\varepsilon)x/2} - 1],$$

with a fixed constant $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$.

Now, for $x \geq 0$ we define the function $H_p: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ by

$$H_p(G(x)) = x^p, \quad p > 0.$$

Then H_p is an increasing continuous function on \mathbb{R}_+ with $H_p(0) = 0$ for every $0 < p < +\infty$. For $x \geq 0$ we set

$$\tilde{H}_p = x \int_x^{+\infty} \frac{1}{s} dH_p(s) + 2H_p(x).$$

Lemma 1 Let H_p and \tilde{H}_p be defined as above.

Then for all $0 < p < +\infty$ we have

$$\log^p(1+\delta x) \leq H_p(x) \leq 2^{p(2+\delta/2)} \log^p(1+\delta x), \quad x \geq 0, \quad (7)$$

and for $0 < p < 1$ we have

$$\tilde{H}_p(x) \leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} H_p, \quad x \geq 0. \quad (8)$$

Proof The inequalities (7) follow from (6). This implies that the function \tilde{H}_p is well defined for all $0 < p < +\infty$.

To prove inequality (8), it is now enough to assume that

$$H_p(x) = A \log^p(1 + \delta x),$$

with a constant A . For $x \geq 0$ we set

$$G_p(x) = \frac{x}{H_p(x)} \int_x^\infty \frac{1}{s} dH_p(s).$$

An elementary calculation can show that for all $x \geq 0$ and all $0 < p < 1$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} G_p(x) = p/(1-p), \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} G_p(x) = 0,$$

and

$$0 \leq G_p(x) \leq p/(1-p).$$

It follows that $\tilde{H}_p(x) \leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} H_p$ for all $x \geq 0$ and all

$0 < p < 1$. This completes the proof.

Lemma 2 Let $D=(D_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be a non-negative right-continuous process, and let $A=(A_t)_{t \geq 0}$ be an increasing continuous process with $A_0=0$. Assume $H: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is an increasing continuous function with $H(0)=0$. If for all bounded stopping times τ

$$E[D_\tau] \leq E[A_\tau],$$

then

$$E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} H(D_t) \right] \leq E[\tilde{H}(A_\tau)]$$

holds for all stopping times τ , where $\tilde{H}: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is defined by

$$\tilde{H}(x) = x \int_x^\infty \frac{1}{s} dH(s) + 2H(x), \quad x \geq 0.$$

The proof of Lemma 2 can be found in (Revuz and Yor, 1998; Graversen and Peskir, 2000). The following lemma is a modification of Lemma 1 (Lenglart et al., 1980), and it is a useful technique to obtain the L^p estimates of random variables (Barlow and Yor, 1981; Jacka and Yor, 1993).

Lemma 3 Let A and B be two continuous, (F_t) -adapted, increasing processes, with $A_0=0$ and $B_0=0$. Assume that there exist two constants $\alpha, \beta > 0$ such that

$$E[(A_T^\beta - A_S^\beta)^\alpha] \leq \|B_T\|_\infty^{\alpha\beta} P(S < T)$$

holds for all couples (S, T) of stopping times S, T with $S < T$. Then for any $0 < p < +\infty$, we have

$$\|A_\infty\|_p \leq C_{p,\alpha,\beta} \|B_\infty\|_p,$$

where $C_{p,\alpha,\beta} = [e + ep/(\alpha\beta)]^{(1+p/\beta)/p}$.

Theorem 1 Let $X \in BESQ^\delta(x)$ with $\delta > 0$ and let $t \mapsto K(t)$ be a differentiable function on \mathbb{R}_+ with $K(t) \geq 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Then the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b_p} \|\log(1 + \delta J_\tau)\|_p &\leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{X_t}{t + K(t)} \right\|_p \\ &\leq 4b_p 2^{\delta/2} \|\log(1 + \delta J_\tau)\|_p \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

hold for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$, where

$$J_\tau = \int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t + K(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad b_p = 9(e + 2ep)^{(1+2p)/p}.$$

Proof Set $U_t = X_t/K(t)$, $t \geq 0$. Then, by Itô's formula we have

$$dU_t = 2 \frac{\sqrt{U_t}}{\sqrt{K(t)}} dB_t + \frac{\delta - K'(t)U_t}{K(t)} dt,$$

with $U_0=0$. Let a and G be given by Eqs.(3) and (4), respectively, and let $F(t,x) = G(a(t)x)$ for $t \geq 0, x \geq 0$. From Itô's formula and Eq.(5) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} G(a(t)X) &= F(t, U_t) \\ &= \int_0^t \frac{\partial}{\partial s} F(s, U_s) ds + \int_0^t \frac{\delta - K'(s)}{K(s)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F(s, U_s) ds \\ &\quad + 2 \int_0^t \left(\frac{U_s}{K(s)} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F(s, U_s) dB_s \\ &\quad + 2 \int_0^t \frac{U_s}{K(s)} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} F(s, U_s) ds \\ &= 2 \int_0^t \left(\frac{U_s}{K(s)} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F(s, U_s) dB_s + \int_0^t \frac{a(s)}{K(s)} ds. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Noting that $a^{-1}(t) = 1 + t/K(t)$ by Eq.(3), we have $a(t)U_t = X_t/[t + K(t)]$ and $a(t)/K(t) = 1/[t + K(t)]$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Combining this with Eq.(10), we find, for all bounded stopping times τ

$$E[F(\tau, X_\tau)] = E \left[G \left(\frac{X_\tau}{\tau + K(\tau)} \right) \right] = E \left[\int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t + K(t)} \right]. \quad (11)$$

Now, for these processes $D_t = F(t, X_t)$ and $A_t =$

$\int_0^t \frac{ds}{s+K(s)}$, by Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we get

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \left(\frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right)^p \right] &\equiv E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} H_p(F(t, X_t)) \right] \\ &= E \left[\tilde{H}_p \left(\int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right] \leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} E \left[H_p \left(\int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right] \\ &\leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} 2^{p(2+\delta/2)} E \left[\log^p \left(1 + \delta \int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

for all stopping times τ and $0 < p < 1$. On the other hand, we see that Eq.(11) implies

$$E \left[\int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right] \leq E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} F(t, K_t) \right]$$

for all bounded stopping times τ , and therefore by applying Lemma 1, Lemma 2 to these processes

$D_i = \int_0^t \frac{ds}{s+K(s)}$ and $A_t = \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} F(s, X_s)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[H \left(\int_0^\tau \frac{dt}{t+K(t)} \right) \right] &\equiv E \left[\tilde{H}_p \left(\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} F(t, X_t) \right) \right] \\ &\leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} E \left[H_p \left(\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} F(t, X_t) \right) \right] \\ &\leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \left(\frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right)^p \right] \end{aligned}$$

for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < 1$. Thus, for $0 < p < 1$ we obtain the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1-p}{2-p} E[\log^p(1+\delta J_\tau)] &\leq E \left[\left(\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right)^p \right] \\ &\leq \frac{2-p}{1-p} 2^{p(2+\delta/2)} E[\log^p(1+\delta J_\tau)]. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Next, we extend inequalities (12) to all $0 < p < +\infty$ by Lemma 3. Consider any couple (S, T) of stopping times S, T with $S \leq T$. Then, from the first inequality in (12) with $p=1/2$ and the inequality $\log(1+x) - \log(1+y) \leq \log(1+x-y)$, $0 \leq x \leq y$. We find

$$\begin{aligned} E \left(\sqrt{\log(1+\delta J_\tau)} - \sqrt{\log(1+\delta J_S)} \right) &\leq E \left(\sqrt{\log[1+\delta(J_\tau - J_S)]} \right) \\ &\leq E \left[\sqrt{\ln(1+\delta J_{T1_{\{T>S\}}})} \right] \leq 3E \left[\sqrt{\sup_{0 \leq t \leq T1_{\{T>S\}}} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)}} \right] \\ &\leq 9 \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right\|_\infty^{1/2} P(T > S), \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where 1_A stands for the indicate function of set A . It follows from Lemma 3 with $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=1/2$ that

$$\left\| \log(1+\delta J_\tau) \right\|_p \leq 9(e+2ep)^{\frac{1+2p}{p}} \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right\|_p$$

for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$. To prove the left inequality in (9), for any couple (S, T) of stopping times S, T with $S \leq T$, we have by the second inequality in (12) with $p=1/2$

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\sqrt{\sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)}} - \sqrt{\sup_{0 \leq t \leq S} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)}} \right] &\leq \sqrt{\sup_{S \leq t \leq T} \left| \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} - \frac{X_S}{S+K(S)} \right|} \\ &\leq E \left[\sqrt{\sup_{0 \leq t \leq (T-S)1_{\{S < T\}}} \frac{X_{t+S}}{t+S+K(t+S)}} \right] \\ &\leq 2^{\delta/4} \cdot 6E \left(\sqrt{\log(1+\delta J_\tau)} 1_{\{T>S\}} \right) \\ &\leq \left\| 2^{\delta/4} \cdot 36 \log(1+\delta J_\tau) \right\|_\infty^{1/2} P(S < T), \end{aligned}$$

which shows for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$,

$$\left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{X_t}{t+K(t)} \right\|_p \leq 2^{\delta/2} \cdot 36(e+2ep)^{(1+2p)/p} \left\| \log(1+\delta J_\tau) \right\|_p$$

by Lemma 3 with $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=1/2$. This completes the proof.

Corollary 1 Let Z be a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at zero and let $t \mapsto K(t)$ be a differentiable function on \mathbb{R}_+ with $K(t) > 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Then the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{a_p} \left\| \log^{1/2}(1+\delta J_\tau) \right\|_p &\leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{Z_t}{\sqrt{t+K(t)}} \right\|_p \\ &\leq 2a_p \cdot 2^{\delta/4} \left\| \log^{1/2}(1+\delta J_\tau) \right\|_p \end{aligned}$$

hold for all stopping times τ and all $0 < p < +\infty$, where $a_p = 3(e+ep)^{(1+p)/p}$.

Corollary 2 Let Z be a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at zero and let $0 < p < +\infty$. For every non-negative integer number m we define the function $t \mapsto L_{m+1}(t)$ on \mathbb{R}_+ inductively by $L_{m+1}(t) = \log[1 + L_m(t)]$ with $L_0(t) = t$. Then the inequalities

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}a_p} \left\| \sqrt{\log[1 + \delta L_{m+1}(\tau)]} \right\|_p \leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} Z_t / \sqrt{\prod_{j=0}^m [1 + L_j(t)]} \right\|_p \leq 2^{3/2 + \delta/4} a_p \left\| \sqrt{\log[1 + \delta L_{m+1}(\tau)]} \right\|_p$$

hold for all stopping times τ .

Proof Corollary 2 follows from Corollary 1 by taking $K(t) = \prod_{j=0}^m (1 + L_j(t))$, and some simple estimates.

Corollary 3 Let $r > 1/2$ and let Z be a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at zero. Then we have

$$\left\| \log^{1/2} \left[1 + \frac{\delta}{2r-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+\tau)^{2r-1}} \right) \right] \right\|_p \leq \sqrt{2} a_p \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{Z_t}{(1+t)^r} \right\|_p, \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \frac{Z_t}{(1+t)^r} \right\|_p \leq 2^{3/2 + \delta/4} a_p \left\| \log^{1/2} \left[1 + \frac{\delta}{2r-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+\tau)^{2r-1}} \right) \right] \right\|_p,$$

for all $0 < p < +\infty$ and all stopping times τ .

Proof Take $K(t) = (1+t)^{2r}$, $r > 1/2$. Then we have $\forall t \geq 0$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{Z_t}{(1+t)^r} \leq \frac{Z_t}{\sqrt{t+K(t)}} \leq \frac{Z_t}{(1+t)^r},$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2(2r-1)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+t)^{2r}} \right) \leq \int_0^t \frac{ds}{s+K(s)} \leq \frac{1}{2r-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+t)^{2r}} \right).$$

Thus, the corollary follows from Corollary 1.

From Corollary 3, we see that

$$E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \infty} \frac{(Z_t)^p}{(1+t)^{rp}} \right] \sim \frac{\delta^p}{(2r-1)^p}$$

for all $0 < p < +\infty$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$.

Corollary 4 Let Z be a Bessel process of dimension $\delta > 0$ starting at zero. Then we have for all $0 < p < +\infty$ and all stopping times τ

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}a_p} \left\| \sqrt{\log[1 + \delta(1 - e^{-\tau})]} \right\|_p \leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} e^{-t/2} Z_t \right\|_p \leq 2^{3/2 + \delta/4} a_p \left\| \sqrt{\log[1 + \delta(1 - e^{-\tau})]} \right\|_p,$$

in particular, for all $0 < p < +\infty$ we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}a_p} \sqrt{\log(1 + \delta)} \leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t < \infty} e^{-t/2} Z_t \right\|_p \leq 2^{3/2 + \delta/4} a_p \sqrt{\log(1 + \delta)}.$$

Proof Corollary 4 follows from Corollary 1 by taking $K(t) = e^t - t$, $t \geq 0$.

From Corollary 4, we see that

$$\frac{1}{12\sqrt{2}e^2} \leq E \left[\sup_{0 \leq t < \infty} \frac{e^{-t/2} Z_t}{\sqrt{\log(1 + \delta)}} \right] \leq 12 \times 2^{3/2 + \delta/4} e^2,$$

Remark 1 From these inequalities above, one can perhaps get some asymptotic estimates associated with some random variables as $\delta \rightarrow \infty$. However, we cannot settle this question so far.

Finally, as the end of this paper, we extend Lemma 4 to general diffusion processes given by the equation

$$dX_t = (\delta f^2(t) - h(t)X_t) dt + 2f(t)\sqrt{|X_t|} dB_t, X_0 = x, \tag{14}$$

where $\delta > 0$ and $f, h: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ two continuous functions with $0 < a \leq f(t) \leq b < \infty$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). Clearly, Eq.(14) admits a unique solution and the solution is strong (Ikeda and Watanabe, 1981; Revuz and Yor, 1998; Rogers and Williams, 1987), we deduce the solution $X \geq 0$ ($\forall t \geq 0$). In the following discussion, we suppose $x=0$ for simplicity.

Let $\eta: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be the solution of the equation

$$d\eta/dt - h(t)\eta(t) = -\eta^2 f^2(t), \eta(0) = 1, \tag{15}$$

and define $F: \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ by $F(t,x) = G(\eta(t)x)$, where G is given by Eq.(4). Then we have

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + (\delta f^2(t) - h(t)x) \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + 2f^2(t)x \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} = \eta(t)f^2(t), \tag{16}$$

and $F(t,0)=0, \forall t \geq 0$. It follows from Itô's formula that

$$\begin{aligned} G(\eta(t)X_t) &= F(t, X_t) \\ &= 2 \int_0^t f(s) \sqrt{X_s} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F(s, X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t \eta(s) f^2(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, proceeding as in the proof of Lemma 4 one can give the following theorem.

Theorem 2 Let the process X be given by Eq.(14) with $X_0=0$ and let $\eta: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be the solution to Eq.(15). For $t \geq 0$ we define

$$J_t = \int_0^t \eta(s) f^2(s) ds.$$

Then for all $0 < p < +\infty$ and all stopping times τ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b_p} \|\log(1+\delta J_\tau)\|_p &\leq \left\| \sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} \eta(t) X_t \right\|_p \\ &\leq 2^{2+\delta/2} b_p \|\log(1+\delta J_\tau)\|_p, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where $b_p = 9(e+2ep)^{(1+2p)/p}$, in particular, for $0 < p < 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_p E[\log^p(1+\delta J_\tau)] &\leq E\left[\sup_{0 \leq t \leq \tau} (\eta(t) X_t)^p\right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha_p} 2^{p(2+\delta/2)} E[\log^p(1+\delta J_\tau)], \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha_p = (1-p)/(2-p)$.

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