

# NOTES

## THE CONVEX HULL OF PLANE BROWNIAN MOTION

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Denote by  $Z(t, \omega)$  the Brownian motion in the plane starting at the origin. Let  $J(\omega)$  be the least closed convex set containing  $Z(t, \omega)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , let  $K(\omega)$  be the boundary of  $J(\omega)$ , and let  $p(s, \omega)$  be the point on  $K(\omega)$  at a distance  $s$  along  $K(\omega)$  in the counterclockwise direction from the intersection of  $K(\omega)$  with the positive  $x$ -axis. Let  $\theta(s, \omega)$  be the angle made by the tangent to  $K(\omega)$  at  $p(s, \omega)$  and the  $x$ -axis when such a tangent exists. Define

$$\alpha(s, \omega) = [\theta(s, \omega) - \theta(0, \omega)]/2\pi$$

for points where  $\theta(s, \omega)$  is defined. Elsewhere let  $\alpha(s, \omega) = \lim_{t \uparrow s} \alpha(t, \omega)$ . As  $s$  increases from  $0^-$  to  $l(\omega)$ , the length of  $K(\omega)$ ,  $\alpha(s, \omega)$  increases from 0 to 1. Hence  $\mu[E, \omega] = \int_E d\alpha(s, \omega)$  is a completely additive probability measure on Borel sets in  $[0, l(\omega)]$ . P. Levy [3] introduced  $J(\omega)$  and showed  $\mu[E, \omega]$  to be singular with respect to Lebesgue measure. The purpose of this paper is to show that this measure can almost always be concentrated on a set  $T(\omega)$  which is small in the sense of Hausdorff measures.

DEFINITION. Let  $h(t)$  satisfy (A), namely, be a positive monotone continuous function with  $h(0) = 0$ . Let  $h_\rho^*(E)$  be the greatest lower bound of  $\sum_{i>0} h(\text{diam } O_i)$  where the greatest lower bound is taken over all sets  $\{O_i\}$  of circles with diameter less than  $\rho$  covering  $E$ . Define  $h^*(E)$ , the  $h$ -measure of  $E$ , by  $h^*(E) = \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} h_\rho^*(E)$ .

It is known that  $h^*(E)$  is an outer measure in the sense of Carathéodory. For a general discussion of the properties of these measures see [2].

THEOREM. *Let  $h(t)$  satisfy A and*

$$(1) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} h(t) \log 1/t = 0.$$

*For almost all  $\omega$  there exists a set  $T(\omega)$  in  $[0, l(\omega)]$  for which  $\mu[T(\omega), \omega] = 1$  and  $h^*(T(\omega)) = 0$ .*

PROOF. The proof rests on the following result of Baxter [1]. Let  $\{X_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots$  be independent, identically distributed, complex-valued random variables with uniform angular distribution.<sup>2</sup> Let  $S_0 = 0$ ,  $S_i = \sum_{k=1}^i X_k$ . If  $H_m$  is the

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<sup>2</sup> Baxter did not use the last restriction.