

PROCESSES OBTAINABLE FROM BROWNIAN MOTION BY MEANS OF A RANDOM TIME CHANGE^{1,2}

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1. Introduction. Our terminology throughout this paper will in general be that of [8]. The triple (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) will denote our fixed fundamental probability space. A random variable will be an \mathcal{A} -measurable real-valued function. Throughout this paper we will assume that the Brownian motion we deal with is standard Brownian motion with *all* sample paths continuous and unbounded in both directions. If $\{X(t): t \in [a, b]\}$ is a collection of random variables, then $\sigma\{X(t): t \in [a, b]\}$ will denote the smallest sub-sigma field of \mathcal{A} for which each $X(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, is measurable. Furthermore if X is a random variable and $A \in \mathcal{A}$ then $[X \leq s]$ will denote the event $\{\omega \in \Omega: X(\omega) \leq s\}$ and I_A will denote the indicator of the event A .

The problem of finding what processes are random time changes of Brownian motion has been studied extensively (in the case of martingales) by K. E. Dambis in [2], by L. E. Dubins and G. Schwarz in [4]. In [4] L. E. Dubins and G. Schwarz showed that every continuous martingale can be transformed into standard Brownian motion by means of a random time change. In this paper we prove that if $\{X(t): t \in [0, +\infty)\}$ is a Brownian motion process and if $\{Y(\alpha): \alpha \in I\}$ is a stochastic process with sufficiently nice properties then $\{Y(\alpha): \alpha \in I\}$ can be obtained from $\{X(t): t \in [0, +\infty)\}$ by means of a random time change (see Definition 2.1 below). Furthermore for certain processes $\{Y(\alpha): \alpha \in [0, +\infty)\}$, the collection of stopping times we construct, "almost" has independent increments. The main results of this paper are Theorem 2.2, Theorem 2.4, Theorem 2.5, Theorem 2.6 and Corollary 2.7.

2. Main results.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ and let $\{X(t): t \in [0, +\infty)\}$ and $\{Y(\alpha): \alpha \in I\}$ be stochastic processes defined on (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) . Then we say that $\{Y(\alpha): \alpha \in I\}$ can be obtained from $\{X(t): t \in [0, +\infty)\}$ by means of a random time change if and only if there exists a collection of random variables $\{T_\alpha: \alpha \in I\}$ defined on (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) satisfying the following requirements:

$$(2.1) \quad \text{for each } \alpha \in I, \quad T_\alpha \geq 0,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \text{for each } \omega \in \Omega, \quad T_\alpha(\omega) \text{ is non-decreasing in } \alpha,$$

$$(2.3) \quad \text{for each } \alpha \in I, [T_\alpha \leq s] \in \sigma\{X(t): t \in [0, s]\} \text{ for every } s \in [0, +\infty), \quad \text{and}$$

$$(2.4) \quad \text{for each } \alpha \in I, \quad X(T_\alpha) = Y(\alpha) \text{ a.s.}$$

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