On the uniform continuity of Wiener process

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It is the purpose of this note to ameliorate Lévy's result concerning the uniform continuity of Wiener process. Let $\varphi(h)$ be a continuous and monotone increasing function which tends to zero with h. After P. Lévy we say that a function f(t) verifies "Hölder's weak condition" relative to $\varphi(t)$, if there exists a positive number ε such that $|t'-t| = h \le \varepsilon$ yields the relation

$$|f(t')-f(t)| \leq \varphi(h)$$
.

Let us put

$$\varphi_c(h) = \{h(2 \log 1/h + c \log \log 1/h)\}^{1/2}.$$

Then we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM. If c > 5, Wiener process $\{X(t, \omega); 0 \le t \le 1\}^{1}$ verifies "Hölder's weak condition" relative to $\varphi_c(t)$ and if c < -1, it does not verify the condition, with probability one.

Proof. Let us put

(1)
$$\alpha(h) = Pr\{|\triangle X(t)| > \varphi_c(h)\},$$

where $\triangle X(t)$ is the difference of X(t+h) and X(t). Since $\triangle X(t)$ is a normal random variable satisfying the conditions $E(\triangle X(t))=0$ and $V(\triangle X(t))=h^{2}$ we have the following asymptotic relation

(2)
$$\alpha(h)/h \sim (1/\pi)^{1/2} (\log 1/h)^{-(c+1)/2}.$$

If c < -1, we obtain

(3)
$$\alpha(h)/h \to \infty$$
 as $h \to 0$,

and therefore

$$(4) 1-(1-\alpha(1/n))^n \to 1 as n\to\infty.$$

¹⁾ ω is the probability parameter.

²⁾ E and V denote the expectation and the variance respectively.