

89. Fourier-Mehler Transforms of Generalized Brownian Functionals^{*)}

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1. Generalized Brownian functionals. In the continuous embeddings $\mathcal{S} \subset L^2(\mathbf{R}) \subset \mathcal{S}^*$, \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{S}^* are the nuclear spaces of rapidly decreasing functions and tempered distributions, respectively. Let μ be the white noise measure on \mathcal{S}^* , i.e. its characteristic functional is given by

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}^*} \exp [i \langle \dot{B}, \xi \rangle] d\mu(\dot{B}) = \exp [-\|\xi\|^2/2] \equiv C(\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{S},$$

where $\|\cdot\|$ is the $L^2(\mathbf{R})$ -norm. Being motivated by the well-known Wiener-Ito decomposition of $L^2(\mathcal{S}^*)$, Hida [1], [3] has introduced the following space $(L^2)^-$ of generalized Brownian functionals:

$$(L^2)^- = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \oplus K_n^{(-n)},$$

where $K_n^{(-n)}$ consists of generalized multiple Wiener integrals [2]. An element φ in $K_n^{(-n)}$ is realized as a distribution on \mathbf{R}^n through the integral transform \mathcal{T} :

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{T}\varphi)(\xi) &= \int_{\mathcal{S}^*} \exp [i \langle \dot{B}, \xi \rangle] \varphi(\dot{B}) d\mu(\dot{B}) \\ &= i^n C(\xi) \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(u_1, \dots, u_n) \xi(u_1) \cdots \xi(u_n) du_1 \cdots du_n, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{S}, \end{aligned}$$

where f is in the Sobolev space $\hat{H}^{-(n+1)/2}(\mathbf{R}^n)$.

2. Renormalization. Let T be a finite interval in \mathbf{R} . By using the renormalization procedure, we obtain the following three generalized Brownian functionals:

1) $\varphi(\dot{B}) = : \exp \left[\lambda \dot{B}(t) + c \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] :$, $t \in T$, $\lambda, c \in \mathbf{C}$, $c \neq 1/2$. The \mathcal{T} -transform of φ is given by

$$(\mathcal{T}\varphi)(\xi) = C(\xi) \exp \left[\frac{i\lambda}{1-2c} \xi(t) + \frac{c}{2c-1} \int_T \xi(u)^2 du \right], \quad \xi \in \mathcal{S}.$$

2) $\psi(\dot{B}) = : H_n \left(\dot{B}(t); \frac{1}{(1-2c)dt} \right) \exp \left[c \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] :$, $c \in \mathbf{C}$, $c \neq 1/2$.

The \mathcal{T} -transform of ψ is given by

$$(\mathcal{T}\psi)(\xi) = \frac{1}{n!} C(\xi) \left(\frac{i\xi(t)}{1-2c} \right)^n \exp \left[\frac{c}{2c-1} \int_T \xi(u)^2 du \right], \quad \xi \in \mathcal{S}.$$

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3) $\sigma(\dot{b}, \dot{B}) = : \exp \left[\beta \int_T \dot{b}(u) \dot{B}(u) du + c \int_T \dot{b}(u)^2 du \right] :$; the renormalization with respect to \dot{b} -variable, $\beta, c \in \mathbf{C}, c \neq 1/2$. The \mathcal{I}_i -transform of σ is given by

$$(\mathcal{I}_i \sigma)(\eta) = C(\eta) \exp \left[\frac{i\beta}{1-2c} \int_T \dot{B}(u) \eta(u) du + \frac{c}{2c-1} \int_T \eta(u)^2 du \right], \quad \eta \in \mathcal{S}.$$

3. Main results. Theorem 1 (Generating function).

$$\begin{aligned} &: \exp \left[\lambda \dot{B}(t) + c \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n : H_n(\dot{B}(t); \frac{1}{(1-2c)dt}) \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[c \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] :, \quad t \in T, \lambda, c \in \mathbf{C}, c \neq 1/2. \end{aligned}$$

Let K_τ denote the kernel function

$$K_\tau(\dot{b}, \dot{B}) = : \exp \left[\frac{i}{\sin \tau} \int_T \dot{b}(u) \dot{B}(u) du - \frac{i}{2 \tan \tau} \int_T \dot{b}(u)^2 du \right] :, \quad \tau \in \mathbf{R}.$$

For φ in $(L^2)^-$, we define the Fourier-Mehler transform $\mathcal{Q}_{\tau, \varphi}$ of φ by:

$$(\mathcal{Q}_{\tau, \varphi})(\dot{b}) = \int_{S^*} K_\tau(\dot{b}, \dot{B}) \varphi(\dot{B}) d\mu(\dot{B}).$$

The Fourier-Mehler transform \mathcal{Q}_τ is a map from $(L^2)^-$ into itself. When $\tau = 3\pi/2$, it is the Fourier transform introduced in [4, p. 423]. When $\tau = \pi/2$, it is the inverse Fourier transform.

Theorem 2. Let $\Phi(\dot{B}) = : \exp \left[\lambda \dot{B}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] :, t \in T, \lambda \in \mathbf{R}$.

Then its Fourier-Mehler transform is

$$(\mathcal{Q}_\tau \Phi)(\dot{b}) = : \exp \left[\lambda e^{i\tau} \dot{b}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \int_T \dot{b}(u)^2 du \right] :.$$

Theorem 3. Let $\Phi_n(\dot{B}) = : H_n(\dot{B}(t); \frac{1}{2dt}) \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \int_T \dot{B}(u)^2 du \right] :, t \in T$. Then its Fourier-Mehler transform is

$$(\mathcal{Q}_\tau \Phi_n)(\dot{b}) = e^{i n \tau} : H_n(\dot{b}(t); \frac{1}{2dt}) \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \int_T \dot{b}(u)^2 du \right] :.$$

It follows from Theorem 3 that $\{\mathcal{Q}_\tau; \tau \in \mathbf{R}\}$ is a one-parameter group acting on the space $(L^2)^-$ of generalized Brownian functionals. Moreover, we can define an arbitrary power of the Fourier transform \wedge [4] by $(\wedge)^r = \mathcal{Q}_{3\pi r/2}$.

4. Remarks. Consider the one-dimensional Fourier transform from $L^2(\mathbf{R})$ into itself. Let $h_n(x)$ be the normalized Hermite function of degree n . Then its Fourier transform is given by $\hat{h}_n = e^{3\pi i n/2} h_n$. This is the motivation for N. Wiener to define the Fourier-Mehler transform \mathcal{Q}_θ [7; 3, p. 260] such that $(\mathcal{Q}_\theta h_n)(y) = e^{i n \theta} h_n(y)$.

In Hida's theory of generalized Brownian functionals, $\{\dot{B}(t); t \in T\}$ is often regarded as a continuum coordinate system in order to take time propagation into account. Theorem 3 shows that the generalized Brownian functionals

$$\psi_n \equiv :H_n\left(\dot{B}(t); \frac{1}{2dt}\right) \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \int_t \dot{B}(u)^2 du\right] :,$$

$n=0, 1, 2, \dots$, are the infinite dimensional analogues of the Hermite functions. Moreover, $\{\psi_n; n \geq 0\}$ forms a basis of the subspace of $(L^2)^-$ spanned by what P. Lévy [6] called the normal functionals. More generally, $d\nu = \exp\left[c \int \dot{B}(u)^2 du\right] d\mu$, $c \neq 1/2$, can be regarded formally as a Gaussian measure on \mathcal{S}^* with variance $1/(1-2c)$. Then $\dot{B}(t)$ with respect to $d\nu$ is a Gaussian random variable with variance $1/(1-2c)dt$. Therefore,

$$:H_n\left(\dot{B}(t); \frac{1}{(1-2c)dt}\right) \exp\left[c \int B(u)^2 du\right] :$$

is the Hermite function with respect to $d\nu$.

The detailed proofs of the above results and other formulas concerning Fourier and Fourier-Mehler transforms will appear in [5]. We are indebted to Prof. T. Hida for many helpful conversations.

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