

GENERALIZED STOCHASTIC PROCESSES WITH INDEPENDENT VALUES

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Let \mathfrak{D} denote the space of all infinitely differentiable real-valued functions defined on the real line and vanishing outside a compact set. The support of a function $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, that is, the closure of the set $\{x : \varphi(x) \neq 0\}$ will be denoted by $s(\varphi)$. We shall consider \mathfrak{D} as a topological space with the topology introduced by Schwartz (section 1, chapter 3 in [9]). Any continuous linear functional on this space is a Schwartz distribution, a generalized function.

Let us consider the space \mathfrak{U} of all real-valued random variables defined on the same sample space. The distance between two random variables X and Y will be the Fréchet distance $\rho(X, Y) = E|X - Y|/(1 + |X - Y|)$, that is, the distance induced by the convergence in probability.

Any \mathfrak{U} -valued continuous linear functional defined on \mathfrak{D} is called a generalized stochastic process. Every ordinary stochastic process $X(t)$ for which almost all realizations are locally integrable may be considered as a generalized stochastic process. In fact, we make the generalized process $T(\varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(t)\varphi(t) dt$, with $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, correspond to the process $X(t)$. Further, every generalized stochastic process is differentiable. The derivative is given by the formula $T'(\varphi) = -T(\varphi')$. The theory of generalized stochastic processes was developed by Gelfand [4] and Itô [6]. The method of representation of generalized stochastic processes by means of sequences of ordinary processes was considered in [10].

A generalized stochastic process T is said to have independent values if the random variables $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent whenever $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$. It is obvious that the derivatives of ordinary processes with independent increments have independent values.

Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a pseudonorm in \mathfrak{D} , that is, a nonnegative functional which is not identically equal to 0 and satisfies the postulates $\|a\varphi\| = |a| \|\varphi\|$, $\|\varphi + \psi\| \leq \|\varphi\| + \|\psi\|$, where $-\infty < a < \infty$ and $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$. A generalized stochastic process T is said to be $\|\cdot\|$ -isotopic if all the random variables $T(\varphi)$, with $\|\varphi\| = 1$, are identically distributed. As an example we quote the first derivative of symmetric stable processes with independent increments. Let p be a real number satisfying

the inequality $0 < p \leq 2$ and let μ be a finite on compact sets Borel measure on the line. We call a stochastic process $X(t)$ stable with parameters $\langle p, \mu \rangle$ if it has independent increments, if almost all its realizations are locally integrable and for any interval I the characteristic function of the increment on I is given by the expression $\exp [-\mu(I)|t|^p]$. It is obvious that a stable process is homogeneous if and only if the measure μ is proportional to the Lebesgue measure. Further, the stable process with parameters $\langle 2, \mu \rangle$ is a normal process and, moreover, if it is homogeneous, then it is a Brownian movement process. The first derivative T of a stable process with parameters $\langle p, \mu \rangle$ is a generalized process with independent values and for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$ the characteristic function $\Phi(t)$ of the random variable $T(\varphi)$ is given by

$$(1) \quad \Phi(t) = \exp \left[- \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) |t|^p \right].$$

Consequently, for $1 \leq p \leq 2$ the process T is $\|\cdot\|$ -isotopic with respect to the L^p -pseudonorm

$$(2) \quad \|\varphi\| = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) \right]^{1/p}.$$

Every L^p -pseudonorm is monotone, that is, satisfies the inequality $\|\varphi\| \geq \|\psi\|$, whenever $\varphi(x) \geq \psi(x) \geq 0$ for all x . In this paper we give a complete representation of the class of all $\|\cdot\|$ -isotopic generalized processes with independent values in the case of monotone pseudonorms. Namely, we prove

THEOREM 1. *Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a monotone pseudonorm in \mathfrak{D} . If T is a $\|\cdot\|$ -isotopic generalized process with independent values, then either T is equal to 0 or there exist numbers p and c , with $1 \leq p \leq 2$; $c > 0$, and a finite on compact sets Borel measure μ such that T is the first derivative of a stable process with parameters $\langle p, \mu \rangle$ and*

$$(3) \quad \|\varphi\| = c \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) \right]^{1/p}.$$

Before proving the theorem we shall prove two lemmas.

LEMMA 1. *Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a pseudonorm in \mathfrak{D} and let p be a positive number. If for any pair $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$ satisfying the condition $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$ we have the equality $\|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p = \|\varphi + \psi\|^p$, then either $p \geq 1$ or $\|\varphi\| + \|\psi\| = \|\varphi + \psi\|$ whenever $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$.*

PROOF. First let us assume that there exists a pair of functions φ and ψ satisfying the conditions $\|\varphi\| = \|\psi\| = 1$ and $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$. Owing to the triangle inequality,

$$(4) \quad 2 = \|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p = \|\varphi + \psi\|^p \leq (\|\varphi\| + \|\psi\|)^p = 2^p$$

and, consequently, $p \geq 1$. Finally let us suppose that for any pair of functions $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$ satisfying the condition $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$ we have either $\|\varphi\| = 0$ or $\|\psi\| = 0$. Then

$$(5) \quad \|\varphi + \psi\| = (\|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p)^{1/p} = \|\varphi\| + \|\psi\|,$$

which completes the proof.

LEMMA 2. Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a monotone pseudonorm in \mathfrak{D} satisfying the equality

$$(6) \quad \|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p = \|\varphi + \psi\|^p, \quad p \geq 1,$$

whenever $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$. There exist a finite on compact sets Borel measure ν such that

$$(7) \quad \|\varphi\| = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \nu(dx) \right]^{1/p}$$

for all $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$.

PROOF. For every compact set C we put $\lambda(C) = \inf \{ \|\varphi\|^p : \varphi \geq \chi_C, \varphi \in \mathfrak{D} \}$, where χ_C denotes the indicator of C , that is, $\chi_C(x) = 1$ if $x \in C$ and $\chi_C(x) = 0$ if $x \notin C$. We shall prove that the set function λ is a regular content on the class of all compact sets. In other words, we shall prove that

$$(8) \quad 0 \leq \lambda(C) < \infty,$$

$$(9) \quad \lambda(C) \leq \lambda(B), \quad \text{whenever } C \subset B,$$

$$(10) \quad \lambda(C) = \inf \{ \lambda(B) : C \subset B^0 \},$$

where B^0 denotes the interior of the compact B ,

$$(11) \quad \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) = \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) \quad \text{if } C_1 \cap C_2 = 0$$

and for any pair of compact sets C_1 and C_2

$$(12) \quad \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2).$$

Inequalities (8) and (9) are obvious. To prove (10) let us suppose that ϵ is an arbitrary positive number and let us choose a number δ , with $0 < \delta < 1$, satisfying the inequality

$$(13) \quad \delta^{-p} \lambda(C) < \lambda(C) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

From the definition of the set function λ it follows that there exists a function φ from \mathfrak{D} for which the inequalities

$$(14) \quad \varphi \geq \chi_C, \quad \|\varphi\|^p < \lambda(C) + \frac{\epsilon \delta^p}{2}$$

hold. Putting $B = \{x : \varphi(x) > \delta\}$ we have $B^0 \supset C$ and $\delta^{-1} \varphi \geq \chi_B$. Consequently,

$$(15) \quad \lambda(B) \leq \|\delta^{-1} \varphi\|^p = \delta^{-p} \|\varphi\|^p.$$

Hence from (13) and (14) we get the inequality

$$(16) \quad \lambda(B) < \delta^{-p} \left[\lambda(C) + \frac{\epsilon \delta^p}{2} \right] = \delta^{-p} \lambda(C) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \lambda(C) + \epsilon.$$

The arbitrariness of ϵ implies the inequality

$$(17) \quad \inf \{ \lambda(B) : C \subset B^0 \} \leq \lambda(C).$$

Hence, using (9), we obtain the equality (10).

Let C_1 and C_2 be disjoint compact sets. For any positive ϵ we can choose two functions $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \mathfrak{D}$ such that

$$(18) \quad \varphi_1 \cdot \varphi_2 = 0,$$

$$(19) \quad \|\varphi_1\|^p \leq \lambda(C_1) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad \|\varphi_2\|^p \leq \lambda(C_2) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad \varphi_1 \geq \chi_{C_1}, \quad \varphi_2 \geq \chi_{C_2}.$$

The last inequalities imply $\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 \geq \chi_{C_1} \cup \chi_{C_2}$ and, consequently, $\lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq \|\varphi_1 + \varphi_2\|^p$. Hence, according to (6), (18), and (19), we get the inequality

$$(20) \quad \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq \|\varphi_1\|^p + \|\varphi_2\|^p \leq \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) + \epsilon.$$

Since ϵ can be made arbitrarily small, we obtain

$$(21) \quad \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2),$$

whenever C_1 and C_2 are disjoint. Further, for given $\epsilon > 0$ there is a function $\psi \in \mathfrak{D}$ such that $\psi \geq \chi_{C_1 \cup C_2}$ and

$$(22) \quad \|\psi\|^p \leq \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) + \epsilon.$$

It is clear that the function ψ can be written in the form $\psi = \psi_1 + \psi_2 + \psi_3$, where $\psi_1 \geq \chi_{C_1}$, $\psi_2 \geq \chi_{C_2}$, $\psi_3 \geq 0$, and $\psi_1 \cdot \psi_2 = 0$. Hence, and from (22), since $\|\cdot\|$ is monotone, we obtain the inequality

$$(23) \quad \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) \leq \|\psi_1\|^p + \|\psi_2\|^p = \|\psi_1 + \psi_2\|^p \leq \|\psi\|^p \leq \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2) + \epsilon,$$

which implies, in view of the arbitrariness of ϵ , the inequality $\lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) \leq \lambda(C_1 \cup C_2)$. Combining this inequality with inequality (21) we obtain equality (11).

Further, from the definition of the set function λ , it follows that for any pair E_1 and E_2 of compact sets

$$(24) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda^{1/p}(E_1 \cup E_2) &= \inf \{ \|\varphi\| : \varphi \geq \chi_{E_1 \cup E_2} \} \\ &\leq \inf \{ \|\varphi_1 + \varphi_2\| : \varphi_1 \geq \chi_{E_1}, \varphi_2 \geq \chi_{E_2} \} \\ &\leq \inf \{ \|\varphi_1\| + \|\varphi_2\| : \varphi_1 \geq \chi_{E_1}, \varphi_2 \geq \chi_{E_2} \} \\ &= \inf \{ \|\varphi_1\| : \varphi_1 \geq \chi_{E_1} \} + \inf \{ \|\varphi_2\| : \varphi_2 \geq \chi_{E_2} \} \\ &= \lambda^{1/p}(E_1) + \lambda^{1/p}(E_2). \end{aligned}$$

Let C_1 and C_2 be two arbitrary compact sets and let ϵ be an arbitrary positive number. From (10) it follows that there exist two compact sets B_1 and B_2 such that $C_1 \subset B_1^0$, $B_1 \subset B_2^0$ and

$$(25) \quad \lambda(B_2) < \lambda(C_1) + \epsilon.$$

Since $C_1 \cap (B_2 - B_1^0) = 0$ and $C_1 \cup (B_2 - B_1^0) \subset B_2$, we have, in view of (9), (11), and (25),

$$(26) \quad \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(B_2 - B_1^0) \leq \lambda(B_2) < \lambda(C_1) + \epsilon.$$

Consequently,

$$(27) \quad \lambda(B_2 - B_1^0) < \epsilon.$$

Further, since $B_1 \cap (C_2 - B_2^0) = 0$, we have, according to (9), (11), (25), and the inclusion $B_1 \subset B_2$,

$$(28) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda[B_1 \cup (C_2 - B_2^0)] &= \lambda(B_1) + \lambda(C_2 - B_2^0) \\ &\leq \beta(B_2) + \lambda(C_2) < \lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

From the inclusion $C_1 \cup C_2 \subset B_1 \cup (C_2 - B_2^0) \cup (B_2 - B_1^0)$ and formula (24) we obtain the inequality

$$(29) \quad \lambda^{1/p}(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq \lambda^{1/p}[B_1 \cup (C_2 - B_2^0)] + \lambda^{1/p}(B_2 - B_1^0).$$

Hence, using (27) and (28), the inequality

$$(30) \quad \lambda^{1/p}(C_1 \cup C_2) \leq [\lambda(C_1) + \lambda(C_2) + \epsilon]^{1/p} + \epsilon^{1/p}$$

follows. The arbitrariness of ϵ completes the proof of formula (12). Thus the set function λ is a regular content. By a well-known theorem (sections 53 and 54 in [5]) there exists a Borel measure ν such that its values on compact sets coincide with the values of the content λ .

Let ψ be an arbitrary function from \mathfrak{D} vanishing outside a compact set E . We now prove the inequality

$$(31) \quad \|\psi\| \leq 3 \max_{x \in E} |\psi(x)| [\nu(E)]^{1/p}.$$

Given an arbitrary positive number ϵ , there exists a function $\psi_1 \in \mathfrak{D}$ such that $\psi_1 \geq \chi_E$ and

$$(32) \quad \|\psi_1\| \leq [\nu(E)]^{1/p} + \epsilon.$$

Setting $M = \max_{x \in E} |\psi(x)|$, we have the inequality $-M\psi_1 \leq \psi \leq M\psi_1$, which implies $0 \leq \psi + M\psi_1 \leq 2M\psi_1$. Hence, using (32), since $\|\cdot\|$ is monotone, we obtain the inequalities

$$(33) \quad \|\psi\| \leq \|\psi + M\psi_1\| + \|M\psi_1\| \leq 3M\|\psi_1\| \leq 3M[\nu(E)]^{1/p} + 3\epsilon M.$$

Since ϵ can be made arbitrarily small, this inequality implies (31).

Now let φ be an arbitrary function belonging to \mathfrak{D} . For every positive number ϵ there exist compact sets C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n such that all the sets C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n are disjoint, the function φ vanishes outside of the union $C_0 \cup C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_n$,

$$(34) \quad \nu(C_0) < \epsilon^p,$$

and

$$(35) \quad \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \nu(dx) - \sum_{j=1}^n |m_j|^p \nu(C_j) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2},$$

where m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n is a system of real numbers satisfying the inequality

$$(36) \quad \max_{x \in C_j} |\varphi(x) - m_j| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Let C be such a compact set that its interior contains the union $C_0 \cup C_1 \cup \dots \cup C_n$. We can choose a system $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_n$ of functions belonging to \mathfrak{D} and vanishing outside of the set C in such a way that

$$(37) \quad \varphi_j \cdot \varphi_k = 0$$

whenever $j \neq k; j, k = 1, 2, \dots, n; j = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

(38) $\varphi_j \geq \chi_{C_j},$

(39)
$$\|\varphi_j\|^p \leq \nu(C_j) + \frac{\epsilon}{2 \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n |m_j|^p\right)}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

(40) $\sum_{j=1}^n \varphi_j(x) = 1$ on $C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \cup C_n,$ and $\sum_{j=1}^n \varphi_j \leq 1.$

The possibility of such a choice follows from a well-known theorem on the decomposition of the unity (section 2, chapter 1 in [9]). Moreover, according to (36), we can assume that

(41)
$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi(x)\varphi_j(x) - \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j(x) \right| < \epsilon$$

for all $x.$ Since the sum $\sum_{j=1}^n \varphi_j$ vanishes outside of the set $C,$ the last inequality and (31) imply the inequality

(42)
$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi \cdot \varphi_j - \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j \right\| \leq 3\epsilon[\nu(C)]^{1/p}.$$

By (40), the function $\varphi - \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi \cdot \varphi_j$ vanishes outside of the set $C_0.$ Therefore, in view of (31), (34), and (40), we have the inequality

(43)
$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \varphi - \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi \cdot \varphi_j \right\| &\leq 3\epsilon \max_{x \in C_0} \left| \varphi(x) - \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi(x)\varphi_j(x) \right| [\nu(C_0)]^{1/p} \\ &\leq 6\epsilon \max_{x \in C} |\varphi(x)|. \end{aligned}$$

Combining this inequality with inequality (42) we find

(44)
$$\left| \|\varphi\| - \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j \right\| \right| \leq 3\epsilon \{[\nu(C)]^{1/p} + 2 \max_{x \in C} |\varphi(x)|\}.$$

From (6) and (37) we infer that

(45)
$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j \right\|^p = \sum_{j=1}^n |m_j|^p \|\varphi_j\|^p,$$

and consequently, by (38) and (39),

(46)
$$\sum_{j=1}^n |m_j|^{p\nu(C_j)} \leq \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j \right\|^p \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |m_j|^{p\nu(C_j)} + \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Thus, according to (35),

(47)
$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^{p\nu}(dx) - \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n m_j\varphi_j \right\|^p \right| < \epsilon.$$

Hence and from (44), taking into account the arbitrariness of $\epsilon,$ we obtain the equality

(48)
$$\|\varphi\| = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^{p\nu}(dx) \right]^{1/p}, \quad \varphi \in \mathfrak{D},$$

which completes the proof of the lemma.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. Let $\Phi(t)$ denote the characteristic function of the random variables $T(\varphi)$, with $\|\varphi\| = 1$. Of course, the characteristic function of arbitrary random variable $T(\varphi)$ is equal to $\Phi(\|\varphi\|t)$. Hence, in particular, it follows that $\Phi(t)$ corresponds to a symmetric probability distribution. Further, if $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$, then $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent and the characteristic function of the sum $T(\varphi) + T(\psi)$ is equal to the product $\Phi(\|\varphi\|t)\Phi(\|\psi\|t)$. On the other hand, this characteristic function is equal to $\Phi(\|\varphi + \psi\|t)$. Thus we have the equality

$$(49) \quad \Phi(\|\varphi\|t)\Phi(\|\psi\|t) = \Phi(\|\varphi + \psi\|t) \quad \text{if } \varphi \cdot \psi = 0.$$

Hence, $\Phi(t)$ is the characteristic function of a symmetric stable law and, consequently, there exist constants a and p , with $a \geq 0$, $0 < p \leq 2$ (see p. 327 in [7]), such that

$$(50) \quad \Phi(t) = \exp(-a|t|^p).$$

If $a = 0$, then $T = 0$. Now let us suppose that $a > 0$. From (49) and (50) we obtain the equality

$$(51) \quad \|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p = \|\varphi + \psi\|^p \quad \text{whenever } \varphi \cdot \psi = 0.$$

By lemma 1 we may assume that $p \geq 1$. From lemma 2 it follows that there exists a finite on compact sets Borel measure μ such that

$$(52) \quad \|\varphi\| = c \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) \right]^{1/p},$$

where $c = a^{-1}$. Consequently, the characteristic function of $T(\varphi)$ is given by

$$(53) \quad \Phi(\|\varphi\|t) = \exp \left[- \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) |t|^p \right].$$

Hence it follows that the convergence $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^p \mu(dx) \rightarrow 0$ implies the convergence in probability $T(\varphi) \rightarrow 0$. In other words, the mapping $T : \mathfrak{D} \rightarrow \mathfrak{U}$ is continuous in the pseudonorm $\|\cdot\|$. Consequently, it can be extended to a continuous linear mapping from the space $L^p(\mu)$ into the space \mathfrak{U} . Let t_0 not be an atom of the measure μ . Put $X(t) = T(\chi_{(t_0,t]})$ if $t \geq t_0$ and $X(t) = T(\chi_{(t,t_0]})$ if $t < t_0$. For any pair $t > u$ we have the equality $X(t) - X(u) = T(\chi_{(u,t]})$. Since for every system I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n of disjoint intervals we can choose sequences $\varphi_{1k}, \varphi_{2k}, \dots, \varphi_{nk}$, with $k = 1, 2, \dots$, of functions belonging to \mathfrak{D} convergent to $\chi_{I_1}, \chi_{I_2}, \dots, \chi_{I_n}$ in $L^p(\mu)$ respectively, and satisfying the condition $\varphi_{jk} \cdot \varphi_{rk} = 0$, whenever $j \neq r$, the process $X(t)$ has independent increments. Let $X^*(t)$ be a measurable and separable modification of $X(t)$ such that for any t we have $X(t) = X^*(t)$ with probability 1 (see p. 61 in [3]). By (53), the characteristic function of the increment of $X^*(t)$ in any interval I is given by the expression $\exp[\mu(I)|t|^p]$. To prove that the process $X^*(t)$ is stable with parameters $\langle p, \mu \rangle$ it is sufficient to show that almost all its realizations are integrable over every finite interval. Lévy has shown that a function $h(t)$ can be chosen in such a way that the process $X^*(t) - h(t)$ is centered, that is, roughly speaking, almost all its realizations have unilateral limits (p. 407 in [3]). Moreover, as the function

$h(t)$ we can take the solution of the equation $E \operatorname{arctg} [X^*(t) - h(t)] = 0$. Since, by the definition $X^*(t_0) = 0$, the process $X^*(t)$ is symmetrically distributed and, consequently, $h(t)$ is identically equal to 0. Thus $X^*(t)$ is centered. Hence, according to theorem 6.3 in [3] almost all realizations of $X^*(t)$ are bounded in every finite interval and, consequently, locally integrable. From the definition of $X^*(t)$ we obtain

$$(54) \quad T(\varphi) = T \left[- \int_x^\infty \varphi'(t) dt \right] \\ = T \left[- \int_{-\infty}^\infty \varphi'(t) \chi_{(t_0, t]}(x) dt \right] = - \int_{-\infty}^\infty \varphi'(t) X^*(t) dt.$$

Thus, T is the first derivative of the stable process $X^*(t)$.

It is well known that if $X(t)$ is a Brownian movement process, then the generalized Stieltjes integrals $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t) dX(t)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^\infty g(t) dX(t)$ are mutually independent whenever $f, g \in L^2$ and $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(t)g(t) dt = 0$ (see p. 153 in [8]). In the language of generalized processes this result can be formulated as follows: if T is the first derivative of a Brownian movement process and $\int_{-\infty}^\infty \varphi(x)\psi(x) dx = 0$, then $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent. Using theorem 1 we give the following characterization.

THEOREM 2. *Let the inner product in \mathfrak{D} be given by the formula $(\varphi, \psi) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty \varphi(x)\psi(x)\mu(dx)$, where μ is a finite on compact sets Borel measure. If T is a generalized stochastic process such that the random variables $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent whenever $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$, then T is the sum of the first derivative of a normal process and a Schwartz distribution.*

In the proof of this theorem we use a lemma. Throughout this paper every symmetric, bilinear functional (φ, ψ) on \mathfrak{D} will be called an inner product. An inner product cannot be strictly positive. Further, we assume that there exist two functions φ and ψ such that $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$ and $(\varphi, \varphi) = (\psi, \psi) > 0$.

LEMMA 3. *Let (φ, ψ) be an inner product in \mathfrak{D} and let T be a generalized stochastic process. If the random variables $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent, whenever $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$, then for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, $T(\varphi)$ is a Gaussian random variable with the variance depending only on the pseudonorm $\|\varphi\|$ induced by the inner product.*

PROOF. Let φ and ψ be a pair of functions satisfying the conditions $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$ and $\|\varphi\| = \|\psi\|$. Since the functions $\varphi + \psi$ and $\varphi - \psi$ are also orthogonal, the random variables $T(\varphi) + T(\psi)$ and $T(\varphi) - T(\psi)$ are mutually independent. Taking into account the independence of $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ and using the theorem, which first was proved by Bernstein [1] under an assumption of the existence of moments and in the general case without any restrictive assumption by Darmois [2], we infer that $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are Gaussian random variables with the same variance. Hence it follows that the variance of $T(\varphi)$ depends only on the norm $\|\varphi\|$.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. By lemma 3, for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, $T(\varphi)$ is a Gaussian random variable with the variance depending only on $\|\varphi\|$, where $\|\cdot\|$ is the pseudonorm generated by the inner product (φ, ψ) . Let $m(\varphi)$ denote the expectation of $T(\varphi)$. From the continuity of T in the topology of \mathfrak{D} it follows that the linear functional m is also continuous, that is, it is a Schwartz distribution. Putting $T_0(\varphi) = T(\varphi) - m(\varphi)$ we get a generalized stochastic process such that for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$ all the random variables $T_0(\varphi)$, with $\|\varphi\| = 1$, are identically distributed and for any pair φ and ψ of orthogonal functions $T_0(\varphi)$ and $T_0(\psi)$ are independent. Since the relation $\varphi \cdot \psi = 0$ implies $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$, the process T_0 has independent values. Further, the pseudonorm

$$(55) \quad \|\varphi\| = \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(x)|^2 \mu \, dx \right]^{1/2}$$

is monotone. $T_0(\varphi)$ has symmetric Gaussian distribution for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$. Consequently, by theorem 1, the process T_0 is the first derivative of a normal process. The theorem is thus proved.

For any real number h , we denote by τ_h the shift transformation $\tau_h x = x + h$. We use the notation $\tau_h \varphi(x) = \varphi(\tau_{-h} x)$. A generalized process T is said to be stationary if, for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, the distribution function of the random variable $T(\tau_h \varphi)$ does not depend on h . A generalized process T is said to have almost independent values if there exists a positive number q such that the random variables $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are mutually independent for every pair $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$ with supports $s(\varphi)$ and $s(\psi)$ distant one from another by more than q .

By \mathfrak{D}_{L^2} we shall denote, following Schwartz (see section 8, chapter 6 in [9]), the space of all infinitely differentiable functions for which all derivatives are square integrable. The convergence in \mathfrak{D}_{L^2} is defined as follows: $\varphi_n \rightarrow 0$ if

$$(56) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{d^k}{dx^k} \varphi_n(x) \right]^2 dx = 0$$

for every $k = 0, 1, \dots$. Any continuous linear functional on this space is called a square integrable distribution. The convolution $\Gamma * \varphi$ of a square integrable distribution Γ and a function $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$ is a square integrable function (see theorem 25, section 8, chapter 6 in [9]).

LEMMA 4. Let $(\varphi, \psi)_1$ and $(\varphi, \psi)_2$ be two inner products in \mathfrak{D} such that the orthogonality relation $(\varphi, \psi)_1 = 0$ implies $(\varphi, \psi)_2 = 0$. Then there exists a positive constant c such that $c(\varphi, \psi)_1 = (\varphi, \psi)_2$ for all $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$.

PROOF. Let $\|\cdot\|_1$ and $\|\cdot\|_2$ be the pseudonorms induced by the inner products $(\varphi, \psi)_1$ and $(\varphi, \psi)_2$ respectively. To prove our lemma it is sufficient to prove that there exists a constant c such that $c\|\cdot\|_1 = \|\cdot\|_2$. In other words, we must prove that $\|\varphi\|_2 = \|\psi\|_2$ whenever $\|\varphi\|_1 = \|\psi\|_1$. Let $\varphi, \psi \in \mathfrak{D}$ and $\|\varphi\|_1 = \|\psi\|_1$. Then there exist constants a and b and a function $\varphi_0 \in \mathfrak{D}$ such that

$$(57) \quad \|\varphi\|_1 = \|\varphi_0\|_1, \quad (\varphi, \varphi_0)_1 = 0, \quad \psi = a\varphi + b\varphi_0,$$

and consequently,

$$(58) \quad a^2 + b^2 = 1.$$

Since $(\varphi, \varphi_0)_2 = 0$, we have the equality

$$(59) \quad \|\psi\|_2^2 = a^2\|\varphi\|_2^2 + b^2\|\varphi_0\|_2^2.$$

Moreover, in virtue of (57), $(\varphi + \varphi_0, \varphi - \varphi_0)_1 = 0$ and, consequently, $0 = (\varphi + \varphi_0, \varphi - \varphi_0)_2 = \|\varphi\|_2^2 - \|\varphi_0\|_2^2$. Hence, using (58) and (59), we obtain the equality $\|\psi\|_2 = \|\varphi\|_2$. The lemma is proved.

THEOREM 3. *Let (φ, ψ) be an inner product in \mathfrak{D} and let T be a stationary generalized process with almost independent values. If the random variables $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$ are independent whenever $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$ then there exist the first derivative U of a Brownian movement process and a square integrable distribution Γ such that $T(\varphi)$ is the sum of $U(\Gamma * \varphi)$ and a Schwartz distribution.*

PROOF. From lemma 3 it follows that, for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, we have $T(\varphi)$, a Gaussian random variable. Setting $T_0(\varphi) = T(\varphi) - m(\varphi)$, where $m(\varphi)$ is the expectation of $T(\varphi)$, we have a symmetric process. Moreover, T_0 is stationary in the wide sense (see [6]), that is, its covariance functional $(\varphi, \psi)_0 = ET_0(\varphi)T_0(\psi)$ is invariant under the shift transformation. If $ET_0^2(\varphi)$ is identically equal to 0, then of course $T = 0$. Now let us suppose that $ET_0^2(\varphi_0) > 0$ for a function $\varphi_0 \in \mathfrak{D}$. Then $(\varphi, \psi)_0$ can be regarded as an inner product in \mathfrak{D} . It is very easy to see that the orthogonality relation $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$ implies $(\varphi, \psi)_0 = 0$. Thus, by lemma 4, $c(\varphi, \psi) = (\varphi, \psi)_0$, where c is a positive constant. Consequently, there exists a Schwartz distribution R which is not identically equal to 0 and such that $(\varphi, \psi) = R(\varphi * \check{\psi})$, where $\check{\psi}(x) = \psi(-x)$ (see [6]). Since the process T_0 has almost independent values, the support of the distribution R is compact. Consequently, the Fourier transform \hat{R} of R can be extended to an entire function of exponential type (theorem 16, section 8, chapter 7 in [9]). Further, R is a positive definite distribution. Thus, by a theorem of Schwartz (theorem 20, section 9, chapter 7 in [8]), R can be represented as a convolution $\Gamma * \tilde{\Gamma}$ where Γ is a square integrable distribution. Thus

$$(60) \quad (\varphi, \psi) = \tilde{\Gamma} * \Gamma(\varphi * \hat{\psi}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Gamma * \varphi(x) \cdot \Gamma * \psi(x) dx.$$

For any square integrable function we define a random variable as follows. For any function of the form $\Gamma * \varphi$, where $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$ we put $U(\Gamma * \varphi) = T_0(\varphi)$. Now we show that the set $\{\Gamma * \varphi : \varphi \in \mathfrak{D}\}$ is dense in the space of all square integrable functions. Let g be a square integrable function orthogonal to $\Gamma * \varphi$ for all $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$, that is,

$$(61) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Gamma * \varphi(x)g(x) dx = 0$$

for $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$. Hence, in view of the well-known relation of Parseval, we obtain the equality

$$(62) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\Gamma}(x)\hat{\varphi}(x)\overline{\hat{g}(x)} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\Gamma * \varphi}(x)\overline{\hat{g}(x)} dx = 0.$$

Since $\hat{R}(x) = |\hat{\Gamma}(x)|^2$, the Fourier transform $\hat{\Gamma}(x)$ is a continuous function and,

consequently, $\hat{\Gamma}(x)\overline{\hat{g}(x)} \in L^2$. Since the family of all Fourier transforms $\{\hat{\varphi} : \varphi \in \mathfrak{D}\}$ is complete in L^2 , we obtain, using (62), $\hat{\Gamma}(x)\overline{\hat{g}(x)} = 0$ almost everywhere. Thus $\hat{R}(x)|\hat{g}(x)|^2 = 0$ almost everywhere. But $\hat{R}(x)$ is an analytic function. Therefore, the function g vanishes almost everywhere. Thus the set $\{\Gamma * \varphi : \varphi \in \mathfrak{D}\}$ is dense in L^2 . Hence it follows that the mapping U can be extended to the whole L^2 and, consequently, we obtain a continuous linear mapping from L^2 into the space \mathfrak{U} such that the $U(f)$ with

$$(63) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^2(x) dx = 1$$

are symmetric Gaussian random variables. Since the partial mapping $U : \mathfrak{D} \rightarrow \mathfrak{U}$ is also continuous and for $fg = 0$ the random variables $U(f)$ and $U(g)$ are uncorrelated and, consequently, mutually independent, by theorem 1, U is the first derivative of a homogeneous normal process. The theorem is thus proved.

THEOREM 4. *Let $\|\cdot\|$ be a pseudonorm in \mathfrak{D} induced by an inner product. Every $\|\cdot\|$ -isotopic stationary generalized process with almost independent values is of the form $T(\varphi) = U(\Gamma * \varphi)$, where Γ is a square integrable distribution and U is the first derivative of a Brownian movement process.*

PROOF. For any pair φ and ψ there exists a number h such that $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\tau_h\psi)$ are mutually independent. By $\Phi(t)$ we denote the common characteristic function of random variables $T(\varphi)$ with $\|\varphi\| = 1$. The characteristic function of the random variable $T(\varphi) \pm T(\tau_h\psi)$ is equal to $\Phi(\|\varphi \pm \tau_h\psi\|t)$. On the other hand, it can be written in the form $\Phi(\|\varphi\|t)\Phi(\|\psi\|t)$. Consequently, $\Phi(\|\varphi\|t)\Phi(\|\psi\|t) = \Phi(\|\varphi \pm \tau_h\psi\|t)$. Hence it follows that $\Phi(t)$ is the characteristic function of a stable law. Of course, we may suppose that T is not identically equal to 0. Then, there is a number p with $0 < p \leq 2$ such that

$$(64) \quad \|\varphi \pm \tau_h\psi\|^p = \|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p.$$

Moreover, we have the equality $\|\tau_h\varphi\| = \|\varphi\|$. In view of (64), and since $\|\varphi \pm \tau_h\psi\|^2 = \|\varphi\|^2 \pm 2(\varphi, \tau_h\psi) + \|\psi\|^2$, we have $(\varphi, \tau_h\psi) = 0$ and, consequently,

$$(65) \quad (\|\varphi\|^2 + \|\psi\|^2)^p = (\|\varphi\|^p + \|\psi\|^p)^2.$$

Setting $\|\varphi\| = \|\psi\|^2 = 1$ in the last formula, we obtain $4 = 2^p$, which implies $p = 2$. Thus for any $\varphi \in \mathfrak{D}$ we have $T(\varphi)$ is a symmetric Gaussian random variable. Moreover, the pseudonorm $\|\varphi\|$ is proportional to the variance of $T(\varphi)$ and, consequently, $(\varphi, \psi) = cET(\varphi)T(\psi)$, where c is a positive constant. Thus the orthogonality relation $(\varphi, \psi) = 0$ implies the independence of $T(\varphi)$ and $T(\psi)$. The assertion of our theorem is now a direct consequence of theorem 3.

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