

GENERALIZED RADON TRANSFORM AND LÉVY'S BROWNIAN MOTION, II*)

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§ 1. Introduction

As a continuation of the author's paper [19], we shall investigate the null spaces of a dual Radon transform R^* , in connection with a Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space (R^n, d) . We shall follow the notation used in (I), [19].

We begin with a brief review of the general framework behind the representation of Chentsov type:

$$(1) \quad X(x) = \int_{B_x} W(dh) = W(B_x),$$

with $B_x := \{h \in H; x \in h\}$. It consists of the following:

(i) A Lévy's Brownian motion $X = \{X(x); x \in M\}$ with mean 0 and variance $d(x, y) = E[(X(x) - X(y))^2]$, where $d(x, y)$ is an L^1 -embeddable (semi-)metric on M ;

(ii) A Gaussian random measure $W = \{W(dh); h \in H\}$ based on a measure space (H, ν) such that $H \subset 2^H$ and ν is a positive measure on H satisfying $\nu(B_x) < \infty$ and

$$(2) \quad d(x, y) = \nu(B_x \triangle B_y) = \int_H \pi_h(x, y) \nu(dh) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in M,$$

where

$$\pi_h(x, y) := |\chi_h(x) - \chi_h(y)| = |\chi_{B_x}(h) - \chi_{B_y}(h)|.$$

As a bridge connecting the metric space (M, d) and the measure space (H, ν) , the equation (2) guarantees the existence of a representation of the form (1) for a Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space (M, d) .

The representation (1) of Chentsov type played in (I) (and will play

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also in the present (II)) an important role, and led us to introduce a pair of integral transformations; one is the *generalized Radon transform*,

$$(3) \quad (Rf)(h) := \int_h f(x)m(dx), \quad f \in L^1(M, m),$$

and the other is the *dual Radon transform*

$$(4) \quad (R^*g)(x) := \int_{B_x} g(h)\nu(dh), \quad g \in L^2(H, \nu).$$

DEFINITION 1. For each subset $A \subset M$, we define

$$(5) \quad N_1(A) := \{g \in L^2(H, \nu); (R^*g)(x) \equiv 0 \text{ on } A\} = [\chi_{B_x}(h); x \in A]^\perp.$$

This closed subspace of $L^2(H, \nu)$ is called the *null space of R^* relative to the subset A* .

The study of such null spaces $N_1(A)$ is of great importance for the following reason. For each Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space (M, d) , we have a representation of the form (1). Consider an increasing family of closed linear spans $[X(x); x \in A_\rho]$ corresponding to each increasing family of subsets A_ρ with $\bigcup_{0 < \rho < \infty} A_\rho = M$. Just as in the well-known theory of canonical representations of Gaussian processes, we wish to give a description of these $[X(x); x \in A_\rho]$ in terms of a Gaussian random measure W ; they are all contained in the big closed subspace

$$\left\{ \int_H g(h)W(dh); g \in L^2(H, \nu) \right\}$$

of $L^2(\Omega, P)$. Since one can easily see that

$$(6) \quad [X(x); x \in A] = \left\{ \int_H g(h)W(dh); g \in N_1(A)^\perp \right\}$$

for every $A \subset M$, our problem is to determine completely the null space $N_1(A_\rho)$ of the dual Radon transform R^* .

So the main purpose of this paper is to investigate the null spaces $N_1(A_\rho)$ for a certain increasing family of closed subsets A_ρ of M , such as $A_\rho = V_\rho$ in the case $M = R^n$, where V_ρ denotes the closed ball of radius ρ about the origin O , $0 < \rho < \infty$. Examples of L^1 -embeddable metrics d on R^n in which we have succeeded in finding a complete description of $N_1(V_\rho)$ as well as of $[X(x); x \in V_\rho]$ will be explained below.

Sections 3 and 4 concern rotation-invariant distances d on $M = R^n$ which are derived, via the equation (2), from the following choice of H :

$H = \{h_{t,\omega}; t > 0, \omega \in S^{n-1}\}$ is the set of all half-spaces
 $h_{t,\omega} = \{x \in R^n; (x, \omega) > t\}$ not containing the origin O .

The Euclidean distance $|x - y|$ is a familiar example of such a distance.

The generalized Radon transform $(Rf)(h_{t,\omega})$ is then given by the integral of f over the half-space $h_{t,\omega}$ and hence closely related to the classical Radon transform. This observation leads us to apply the fruitful theory of the classical Radon transform (see, for example, [9], [12] and [16]) and solve the problem concerning the null spaces of R^* . In fact, by using the theorem of Ludwig [16] (cf. [20] and [21]), we are able to find a complete description of $N_i(V_\rho)$ (Theorem 7) as well as that of $[X(x); x \in V_\rho]$ (Theorem 8).

Our result on the structure of $[X(x); x \in V_\rho]$ can be restated in terms of mutually independent Gaussian processes $M_{m,k}(t)$ introduced by McKean [17]:

$$(7) \quad M_{m,k}(t) := \int_{S^{n-1}} X(t\omega) S_{m,k}(\omega) \sigma(d\omega), \quad t > 0,$$

where σ denotes the uniform probability measure on the unit sphere S^{n-1} and $\{S_{m,k}(\omega); (m, k) \in \mathcal{A}\}$, $\mathcal{A} = \{(m, k); m \geq 0 \text{ and } 1 \leq k \leq h(m)\}$, is taken to be a CONS in $L^2(S^{n-1}, \sigma)$ consisting of spherical harmonics. The basic representation (1) of X yields

$$(8) \quad M_{m,k}(t) = \int_0^t \lambda_m(u/t) dB_{m,k}(u),$$

where the kernel $\lambda_m(t)$ is expressed in terms of the Gegenbauer polynomial $C_m^q(u)$ of degree m with $q = (n - 2)/2$:

$$\lambda_m(t) = (\text{const.}) \int_t^1 C_m^q(u) (1 - u^2)^{q-1/2} du.$$

It turns out that the representation (8) of $M_{m,k}(t)$ is canonical only for $m \leq 2$ (Theorem 10). Moreover, for $m \geq 3$, we determine the dimension of $[B_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho] \ominus [M_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho]$ (orthogonal complement in $L^2(\Omega, P)$) which can be regarded as the degree of non-canonicity of (8). In this way, our Theorems 8 and 10 might be viewed as a development (or refinement) of the result in [17] proved for a Brownian motion with n -dimensional parameter.

In Section 2 we shall give various kinds of L^1 -embeddable metrics d on R^n . Some of them should be mentioned here.

The first kind of d depends on the choice of a bounded subset $K \subset R^n$ such that $|K| > 0$ and $O \in K$. Take the following measure space (H_K, ν_K) :

$$H_K := \{h_{a,p} := \{x \in R^n; \alpha(x - p) \in K\} = \alpha^{-1}K + p; \alpha \in SO(n)/\Sigma_K, p \in R^n\}$$

and

$$d\nu_K(h_{a,p}) = c d\alpha dp, \quad c > 0,$$

where $\Sigma_K := \{\alpha \in SO(n); \alpha K = K\}$ and $d\alpha$ denotes the normalized Haar measure on $SO(n)/\Sigma_K$. Then, the equation (2) gives us an L^1 -embeddable metric d_K invariant under every rigid motion on R^n :

$$\begin{aligned} d_K(x, y) &= c \int_{SO(n)/\Sigma_K} |(\alpha^{-1}K + x - y) \triangle \alpha^{-1}K| d\alpha \\ &= c \int_{SO(n)} |(K + \alpha(x - y)) \triangle K| d\alpha = r_K(|x - y|). \end{aligned}$$

The typical choice of $K = V_\rho$ allows us to compute the explicit form of r_{V_ρ} and get a large class of invariant distances by forming a superposition of the family $\{d_{V_\rho}; 0 < \rho < \infty\}$ (cf. Section 2, 2-1). This idea of superposition is due to Takenaka [24] who gave a nice account of representations of self-similar Gaussian random fields.

It deserves mention that the generalized Radon transform

$$(Rf)(h_{a,p}) = \int_K f(\alpha^{-1}x + p) dx, \quad h_{a,p} \in H_K,$$

was discussed in connection with the Pompeiu problem (cf. [26]).

The next kind of d is of the form $\|x - y\|$, where $\|x\|$ is a norm of negative type ([6] and [8]). Such a norm is characterized as the support function of a special convex body in R^n called a *zonoid* ([5]), and therefore admits of the following expression in terms of a bounded symmetric positive measure τ on S^{n-1} :

$$(9) \quad \|x\| = \int_{S^{n-1}} |(x, \omega)| \tau(d\omega).$$

With the help of this well-known expression, the measure space (H, ν) combined with $\|x - y\|$ via (2) is naturally taken to be

$$\nu(dh_{t,\omega}) = dt\tau(d\omega) \quad \text{on the set } H \text{ of half-spaces } h_{t,\omega}.$$

Note that rotation-invariance of τ yields the Euclidean distance $|x - y|$ up to a constant multiple.

It is worthwhile to remark that every Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space $(R^n, \|\cdot\|)$ possesses a notable property: For each line L in R^n , restrict the whole parameter space R^n to the one-dimensional set L ; then the Gaussian process $X|_L = \{X(x); x \in L\}$ coincides with a standard Brownian motion. In order to get at his definition of Brownian motion with n -dimensional parameter, Lévy [15] added one more simple condition that the probability law of $X(x) - X(O)$ is invariant under every rotation $\in SO(n)$. The class of Lévy's Brownian motions corresponding to norms of negative type is thus thought of as a nice extension of Lévy's original one.

§ 2. L^1 -embeddable metrics on Euclidean space

This section is devoted to the study of the equation (2) connecting a metric space (R^n, d) with a measure space (H, ν) . Indeed we describe a variety of L^1 -embeddable metrics d on R^n and corresponding measures ν on $H \subset 2^{R^n}$. Among them, we should like to mention the following class of rotation-invariant distances:

$$(10) \quad d(x, y) = c|x - y| + \int_0^\infty \mu(dt) \int_{S^{n-1}} |e^{t(x, \omega)} - e^{t(y, \omega)}| \sigma(d\omega),$$

where $c \geq 0$ and μ is a non-negative measure on $(0, \infty)$ such that

$$\int_0^\infty te^{at} \mu(dt) < \infty \quad \text{for any } a > 0.$$

This class will be further discussed in Sections 3 and 4.

2-1. The first type of an L^1 -embeddable metric d on R^n is derived from the d_K in Section 1 with the choice of $K = V_{u/2}$. For each $u > 0$, we set

$$H_u := \{k_p := V_{u/2} + p; p \in R^n\} \quad \text{and} \quad \nu_u(dk_p) := dp/2 |S^{n-1}| (u/2)^{n-1},$$

to get the desired distance

$$d_u(x, y) := \int_{H_u} \pi_{k_p}(x, y) \nu_u(dk_p) = r_u(\|x - y\|),$$

where

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} r_u(t) &= |(V_{u/2} + te_1) \triangle V_{u/2}|/2 |S^{n-1}| (u/2)^{n-1} \\ &= u \int_0^{\min(t/u, 1)} (1 - v^2)^{(n-1)/2} dv, \quad e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0) \in R^n. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} r_u(t) = r_\infty(t) = t$ for each $t > 0$. Hence we put $d_\infty(x, y) = |x - y|$.

Having found the family $\{d_u; 0 < u \leq \infty\}$, we now form its superposition by means of a positive measure $G(du)$ on $(0, \infty]$:

$$(12) \quad d(x, y) = \int_{(0, \infty]} d_u(x, y) G(du).$$

The corresponding measure space (H, ν) is obviously taken as follows:

$$H = \{k_{u,p} = V_{u/2} + p; 0 < u < \infty, p \in R^n\} \cup \{h_{t,\omega}; t > 0, \omega \in S^{n-1}\}$$

(disjoint union) and

$$\nu(dk_{u,p}) = \frac{2^{n-2}}{|S^{n-1}|} u^{-n+1} G(du) dp, \quad \nu(dh_{t,\omega}) = G(\{\infty\}) \frac{(n-1)|S^{n-1}|}{|S^{n-2}|} dt d\omega.$$

Here is a brief comment on the choice of (H, ν) . Even if $\nu(B_x) = \infty$ for some $x \in R^n$, the equation (2) still has a meaning under the condition that $\nu(B_x \triangle B_y) < \infty$ for all $x, y \in R^n$. We therefore impose the condition $\int_{(0, \infty]} \min(u, 1) G(du) < \infty$ on the measure G . In order to get at the stronger conclusion that $\nu(B_x) < \infty$ for all $x \in R^n$, it suffices to change every element $h \in H$ containing the origin O for its complement h^c , so that B_o is empty and $\nu(B_x) = \nu(B_x \triangle B_o) < \infty$. This manipulation was explained in (I), Section 2.

The above distance (12) is invariant under every rigid motion on R^n and takes the form $r(|x - y|)$ with

$$(12') \quad r(t) = \int_{(0, \infty]} r_u(t) G(du).$$

It follows that

$$(13) \quad r'(t) = \int_{(t, \infty]} (1 - t^2/u^2)^{(n-1)/2} G(du).$$

In the one-dimensional case, this expression (13) immediately shows the following

PROPOSITION 1. *Suppose $r(t)$ is a continuous function on $[0, \infty)$, $r(0) = 0$ and has the right derive $r'_+(t) \geq 0$ which is non-increasing on $(0, \infty)$ and satisfies $\left| \int_0^1 t dr'_+(t) \right| < \infty$. Then the distance $d(x, y) = r(|x - y|)$ on R^1 is L^1 -embeddable.*

For $n \geq 2$, we devote our attention to the case where $G(du)$ is absolutely continuous on $(0, \infty)$ with density $g(u)$ and $G(\{\infty\}) = 0$. The equality (13) becomes

$$(13') \quad r'(t) = \int_t^\infty (1 - t^2/u^2)^{(n-1)/2} g(u) du,$$

which coincides with the classical Radon transform $\hat{f}(\delta h_{t,\omega})$ applied to the radial function $f(y) := g(|y|)/|S^{n+1}||y|^n$ on R^{n+2} , i.e., the integral of f over the hyperplane $\delta h_{t,\omega} := \{y \in R^{n+2}; (y, \omega) = t\}$ in R^{n+2} ([9], p. 103). By appeal to the inversion formula ([9], p. 120), we get

$$(14) \quad g(u) = d_n \int_u^\infty \left\{ \left(-\frac{d}{dt} \right)^{n+1} r'(t) \right\} (t^2 - u^2)^{(n-1)/2} dt,$$

with

$$d_n := \frac{2^{n-1}}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(n/2)}{\Gamma(n)} \right\}^2.$$

We consider the functions $\psi_\lambda(t) := (1 - e^{-\lambda t})/\lambda$, $\lambda > 0$; every $\psi_\lambda(t)$ satisfies $(-d/dt)^{n+1} \psi'_\lambda(t) \geq 0$ for all $n \geq 2$. By (14), the L^1 -embeddable metric $\psi_\lambda(|x - y|)$ on R^n is of the form (12) with the corresponding density

$$g_\lambda(u) = d_n \lambda^{n+1} \int_u^\infty e^{-\lambda t} (t^2 - u^2)^{(n-1)/2} dt.$$

Thus, the method of superposition gives us the following

PROPOSITION 2 (cf. [2] and [3]). *Suppose a function $r(t)$ on $[0, \infty)$ is expressed in the form*

$$(15) \quad r(t) = ct + \int_0^\infty \psi_\lambda(t) \gamma(d\lambda),$$

where $c \geq 0$ and γ is a non-negative measure on $(0, \infty)$ such that

$$\int_0^\infty \min(1, \lambda^{-1}) \gamma(d\lambda) < \infty.$$

Then the distance $d(x, y) := r(|x - y|)$ on R^n is L^1 -embeddable.

2-2. The second type of d is an extension of the norm $\|x - y\|$ admitting of the expression (9).

PROPOSITION 3. *Suppose $r(t)$ is a function described in Proposition 1. Then the distance*

$$(16) \quad d(x, y) := \int_{S^{n-1}} r(|x - y, \omega|) \tau(d\omega) \quad \text{on } R^n$$

is L^1 -embeddable.

Proof. The proof is carried out by constructing a measure space (H, ν) combined with (16) via the equation (2). Since $r(t)$ is of the form

$$(17) \quad r(t) = ct + \int_0^\infty \min(t, u) G(du), \quad c := G(\{\infty\}),$$

it is convenient to divide d into two parts:

$$d_1(x, y) := c \int_{S^{n-1}} |(x - y, \omega)| \tau(d\omega) = c \|x - y\|,$$

and

$$d_2(x, y) := \int_0^\infty G(du) \int_{S^{n-1}} \min(|(x - y, \omega)|, u) \tau(d\omega).$$

We have already described a measure space (H_1, ν_1) for the first part d_1 in Section 1. On the other hand, a measure space (H_2, ν_2) combined with d_2 is easily found; it is

$H_2 := \{k_{u,t,\omega} := \{x \in R^n; |(x, \omega) - t| < u/2\}; 0 < u < \infty, t \in R^1 \text{ and } \omega \in S^{n-1}\}$ equipped with $\nu_2(dk_{u,t,\omega}) := G(du)dt\tau(d\omega)/2$.

The proof is thus completed.

For a given norm $\|x\|$ of negative type, we consider the distance $\|x - y\|^\alpha$, $0 < \alpha < 1$. It is known ([8] and [14]) that $\|x - y\|^\alpha$ can be expressed in the form (16) with $r(t) = t^\alpha$. Hence the method of superposition again shows that the distance $d(x, y) := \psi(\|x - y\|)$ on R^n is L^1 -embeddable if $\psi(t) = \int_{(0,1]} t^\alpha m(d\alpha)$, where m is a bounded positive measure on $(0, 1]$.

2-3. In connection with the theory of continuous functions $\phi(x)$ of negative type on the semigroup $(R^n, +)$ ([4]), we proceed to discuss a new class of L^1 -embeddable metrics on R^n .

First recall the known expression of ϕ ([4], p. 220):

$$\phi(x) = a + (b, x) - Q(x) + \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} \left(1 - e^{(x, \xi)} + \frac{(x, \xi)}{1 + |\xi|^2} \right) \gamma(d\xi),$$

where $a \in R^1$, $b \in R^n$, Q is a non-negative quadratic form on R^n and γ is a non-negative measure on $R^n \setminus \{0\}$ such that

$$\int_{0 < |\xi| < 1} |\xi|^2 \gamma(d\xi) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{|\xi| > 1} e^{(x, \xi)} \gamma(d\xi) < \infty \quad \text{for all } x \in R^n.$$

Set $d(x, y) := 2\phi(x + y) - \phi(2x) - \phi(2y)$, to get

$$d(x, y) = Q(x - y) + \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} (e^{(x, \xi)} - e^{(y, \xi)})^2 \gamma(d\xi).$$

This form of d guarantees the existence of a centered Gaussian random field $X = \{X(x); x \in R^n\}$ such that $d(x, y) = E[(X(x) - X(y))^2]$.

We are ready to state the following

PROPOSITION 4. *Suppose $r(t)$ is a function described in Proposition 1, and define a distance on R^n by*

$$(18) \quad d(x, y) := \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} r(|e^{(x, \xi)} - e^{(y, \xi)}|) \gamma(d\xi),$$

where γ is a positive measure on $R^n \setminus \{0\}$ such that

$$\int_{0 < |\xi| < 1} r(|\xi|) \gamma(d\xi) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{|\xi| > 1} e^{(x, \xi)} \gamma(d\xi) < \infty$$

for all $x \in R^n$. Then d is L^1 -embeddable.

Proof. In view of the general form (17) of r , it suffices to treat the two special cases: (i) $r(t) = t$ and (ii) $r(t) = \min(t, u)$, $0 < u < \infty$.

(i) The case $r(t) = t$. A measure space corresponding to (18) is given by

$$\nu(dh_{t, \omega}) = \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} \gamma(d\xi) \{|\xi| e^{|\xi|t} dt \delta_{\xi/|\xi|}(d\omega)\}$$

on the set H of half-spaces $h_{t, \omega}$, $t > 0$ and $\omega \in S^{n-1}$, where δ_a denotes the Dirac measure at the point $a \in S^{n-1}$.

(ii) The case $r(t) = \min(t, u)$. Consider the following subset parametrized by $(t, \xi) \in R^1 \times R^n$:

$$\tilde{k}_{t, \xi} := \{x \in R^n; |e^{(x, \xi)} - t| < u/2\}.$$

Then it is easy to verify that the measure

$$\nu_u(d\tilde{k}_{t, \xi}) := dt \gamma(d\xi)/2 \quad \text{on } H_u := \{\tilde{k}_{t, \xi}; t \in R^1, \xi \in R^n\}$$

yields the desired distance (18) in this second case, which completes the proof.

If a rotation-invariant distance of the form (18) is requested, we must take a rotation-invariant measure γ , which is of the form

$$\gamma(d\xi) = d\mu(|\xi|)d\sigma(\xi/|\xi|) \quad \text{with a positive measure } \mu \text{ on } (0, \infty)$$

such that $\int_0^\infty r(t)e^{at}d\mu(t) < \infty$ for all $a > 0$. It also deserves mention that one can derive the distance $\|x - y\|^\alpha$ in Section 2-2 as the limit of distances of the form (18) with $r(t) = t^\alpha$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. Indeed, for each $\rho > 0$, take the measure $\gamma_\rho(d\xi) := d\tau(\xi/\rho)/\rho^\alpha$ concentrated on the sphere δV_ρ of radius ρ ; then one can see that

$$\lim_{\rho \downarrow 0} \int_{\delta V_\rho} |e^{i(x, \xi)} - e^{i(y, \xi)}|^\alpha \gamma_\rho(d\xi) = \int_{S^{n-1}} |x - y, \omega|^\alpha \tau(d\omega) = \|x - y\|^\alpha.$$

2-4. Let X be a centered Gaussian random field with homogeneous increments ([25]). Then the variance $d(x, y) := E[(X(x) - X(y))^2]$ takes the analogous form

$$d(x, y) = Q(x - y) + \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} |e^{i(x, \xi)} - e^{i(y, \xi)}|^2 \gamma(d\xi),$$

where γ is a spectral measure on $R^n \setminus \{0\}$ satisfying $\int \min(|\xi|^2, 1) \gamma(d\xi) < \infty$.

On the lines of Proposition 4, we can prove the following

PROPOSITION 5. *Suppose $r(t)$ is a function described in [19], Proposition 2. Set*

$$(19) \quad d(x, y) := \int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} r(d_G(e^{i(x, \xi)}, e^{i(y, \xi)})) \gamma(d\xi),$$

where d_G denotes the geodesic distance on the unit circle $S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ and γ is a symmetric positive measure on $R^n \setminus \{0\}$ such that

$$\int_{R^n \setminus \{0\}} \min(r(|\xi|), 1) \gamma(d\xi) < \infty.$$

Then the distance d on R^n is L^1 -embeddable.

§ 3. Null spaces of dual Radon transforms

In this section we are concerned with every rotation-invariant distance d on R^n of the form (10). The corresponding measure space is then taken to be the set H of half-spaces $h_{t, \omega}$ equipped with the rotation-invariant measure

$$(20) \quad \nu(dh_{t,\omega}) = \left\{ c + \int_0^\infty u e^{t u} \mu(du) \right\} dt \sigma(d\omega).$$

Our aim is to determine the null space $N_1(V_\rho)$ of the dual Radon transform R^* on this $L^2(H, \nu)$ (see (5)). In view of the relation (6) for a Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space (R^n, d) , our result on $N_1(V_\rho)$ will show a gap between the two closed subspaces $[X(x); x \in V_\rho]$ and $[W(dh_{t,\omega}); h_{t,\omega} \in H(\rho)]$ in $L^2(\mathcal{Q}, P)$, where $H(\rho) = \{h_{t,\omega} \in H; 0 < t \leq \rho, \omega \in S^{n-1}\}$ is the set of all half-spaces intersecting V_ρ .

3-1. We shall start with a brief discussion of the restriction $X|_{V_\rho}$ of the whole parameter space R^n to the closed ball V_ρ . Since $B_x \subset H(\rho)$ for every $x \in V_\rho$, the complement of $H(\rho)$ is of no importance. That is, a measure space combined with the distance $d|_{V_\rho}$ on V_ρ via (2) is given by

$$\tilde{H}_\rho := \{\tilde{h}_{t,\omega} := h_{t,\omega} \cap V_\rho; h_{t,\omega} \in H(\rho)\} \quad \text{and} \quad d\tilde{\nu}(\tilde{h}_{t,\omega}) = d\nu(h_{t,\omega}),$$

which is isomorphic to the original $(H(\rho), \nu)$.

The relevant dual Radon transform R_ρ^* is, therefore, considered to be a Hilbert-Schmidt operator from $L^2(H(\rho), \nu)$ to $L^2(V_\rho, dx)$, although both R_ρ^* and R^* take the same form

$$\int_{B_x} g(h_{t,\omega}) \nu(dh_{t,\omega}), \quad g \in L^2(H(\rho), \nu).$$

As was shown in (I), Theorem 5, the singular value decomposition of R_ρ^* is expressed by means of $\lambda_{\rho,i} > 0$, $f_{\rho,i}(x)$ and $g_{\rho,i}(h_{t,\omega})$, $i \in I_\rho$:

$$(R_\rho^* g)(x) = \sum_{i \in I_\rho} \lambda_{\rho,i} (g, g_{\rho,i})_{L^2(H(\rho), \nu)} f_{\rho,i}(x),$$

where $\{f_{\rho,i}; i \in I_\rho\}$ (resp. $\{g_{\rho,i}; i \in I_\rho\}$) forms an ONS in $L^2(V_\rho, dx)$ (resp. $L^2(H(\rho), \nu)$).

The Gaussian system $X|_{V_\rho}$ now admits of the Karhunen-Loève expansion

$$(21) \quad X(x) = \sum_{i \in I_\rho} \lambda_{\rho,i} \xi_{\rho,i} f_{\rho,i}(x), \quad x \in V_\rho,$$

where the system

$$\xi_\rho = \left\{ \xi_{\rho,i} := \int_{H(\rho)} g_{\rho,i}(h_{t,\omega}) W(dh_{t,\omega}); i \in I_\rho \right\}$$

is an i.i.d. sequence of standard Gaussian random variables. Moreover we have

$$(22) \quad [X(x); x \in V_\rho] = [\xi_{\rho, i}; i \in I_\rho] = \left\{ \int_{H(\rho)} g(h_{t, \omega}) W(dh_{t, \omega}); g \in N_\rho^\perp \right\},$$

with the null space N_ρ of R_ρ^* :

$$N_\rho := \{g \in L^2(H(\rho), \nu); (R_\rho^* g)(x) \equiv 0 \text{ on } V_\rho\}.$$

Note that $N_i(V_\rho) = N_\rho \oplus L^2(H(\rho)^c, \nu)$, which implies that (22) coincides with (6) for $A = V_\rho$.

3-2. We are now going to determine the null space N_ρ of R_ρ^* , $0 < \rho < \infty$.

For that purpose we need

LEMMA 6. *We have an expansion*

$$(23) \quad \begin{aligned} \chi_{B_x}(h_{t, \omega}) &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda_m(t/|x|) \sum_{k=1}^{h(m)} S_{m,k}(x/|x|) S_{m,k}(\omega) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda_m(t/|x|) h(m) \Phi_m^q((x, \omega)/|x|), \end{aligned}$$

where $\Phi_m^q(t) := C_m^q(t)/C_m^q(1)$ with $q := (n-2)/2$, and

$$(24) \quad \lambda_m(t) = \frac{|S^{n-2}|}{|S^{n-1}|} \chi_{(0,1]}(t) \int_t^1 \Phi_m^q(u) (1-u^2)^{q-1/2} du.$$

Furthermore we have

$$(25) \quad \lambda_m(t) = \frac{|S^{n-2}|}{|S^{n-1}|(n-1)} \Phi_{m-1}^{q+1}(t) (1-t^2)^{q+1/2}$$

for $m \geq 1$ and $0 < t < 1$.

Proof. Since $\chi_{B_x}(h_{t, \omega}) = \chi_{h_{t, \omega}}(x) = \chi_{(t/|x|, 1]}((x', \omega))$, $x' := x/|x|$, the above assertions for the variables $\omega, x' \in S^{n-1}$ coincide with (I), Lemma 7 stated in terms of the variables $x, y \in S^n$.

Now, take an arbitrary function g from $L^2(H(\rho), \nu)$. Such a function is written in the form

$$g(h_{t, \omega}) = \sum_{(m,k) \in \mathcal{A}} g_{m,k}(t) S_{m,k}(\omega),$$

where

$$g_{m,k}(t) := \int_{S^{n-1}} g(h_{t, \omega}) S_{m,k}(\omega) \sigma(d\omega), \quad 0 < t \leq \rho.$$

The density in the expression (20) of ν is simply denoted by

$$(20') \quad v(t) = c + \int_0^\infty u e^{ut} \mu(du).$$

Then all functions $g_{m,k}(t)$ belong to $L^2((0, \rho], v(t)dt)$, because

$$\sum_{(m,k) \in \mathcal{A}} \int_0^\rho g_{m,k}^2(t) v(t) dt = \|g\|_{L^2(H(\rho), \nu)}^2 < \infty.$$

Lemma 6 implies that

$$(R_\rho^* g)(x) = \sum_{(m,k) \in \mathcal{A}} S_{m,k}(x|x) \int_0^{|x|} \lambda_m(t|x) g_{m,k}(t) v(t) dt.$$

We now assume that $g \in N_\rho$. Then we have

$$(26) \quad \int_0^u \lambda_m(t/u) g_{m,k}(t) v(t) dt \equiv 0, \quad 0 < u \leq \rho,$$

for every $(m, k) \in \mathcal{A}$.

In case $m = 0$, we make use of (24) to get

$$(26)_0 \quad \int_0^u (1 - t^2/u^2)^{(n-3)/2} G_{0,1}(t) dt \equiv 0, \quad 0 < u \leq \rho,$$

where we have put

$$G_{0,1}(t) = \int_0^t g_{0,1}(s) v(s) ds.$$

As is well known ([12], p. 14), the integral equation $(26)_0$ yields the unique solution $G_{0,1}(t) \equiv 0$, i.e., $g_{0,1}(t) \equiv 0$ on $(0, \rho]$.

The equation (26) for $m \geq 1$ takes a different form: By (25), we have

$$(26)_m \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 C_{m-1}^{q+1}(t) (1 - t^2)^{q+1/2} G_{m,k}(ut) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 C_{m-1}^{q+1}(t) (1 - t^2)^{q+1/2} G_{m,k}(ut) dt / 2 \equiv 0, \quad 0 < u \leq \rho, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$G_{m,k}(t) = g_{m,k}(t) v(t) \quad \text{for } 0 < t \leq \rho \quad \text{and} \quad G_{m,k}(t) = (-1)^{m-1} g_{m,k}(-t) v(-t)$$

for $-\rho \leq t < 0$. The theorem in Ludwig [16] for the Gegenbauer transform (see also [20] and [21]) now concludes that $G_{m,k}(t)$, $t > 0$, is a polynomial of the form $\sum_{j=1}^{\lfloor (m-1)/2 \rfloor} a_{m,k,j} t^{m-1-2j}$ with some coefficients $a_{m,k,j} \in R^1$. We have thus proved that g in N_ρ is necessarily of the form

$$\sum_{(m,k,j) \in J} a_{m,k,j} p_{m,k,j}, \quad \text{where } p_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega}) = S_{m,k}(\omega) t^{m-1-2j} / v(t)$$

and $J = \{(m, k, j) \in \mathbb{Z}^3; m \geq 3, 1 \leq k \leq h(m) \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq [(m-1)/2]\}$.

Conversely, the functions $p_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega})$, $(m, k, j) \in J$, form an orthogonal system in $L^2(H(\rho), \nu)$ and we can check that every $p_{m,k,j}$ belongs to the null space N_ρ .

What we have proved is summarized below.

THEOREM 7. *Let R_ρ^* be the dual Radon transform on $L^2(H(\rho), \nu)$, where ν is a measure of the form (20). Then we have*

$$N_\rho = [p_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega}); (m, k, j) \in J].$$

In other words, a function g belongs to N_ρ if and only if g is expressed in the form

$$(27) \quad g(h_{t,\omega}) = \sum_{(m,k,j) \in J} a_{m,k,j} S_{m,k}(\omega) t^{m-1-2j} / v(t).$$

Let ρ go to infinity in the above theorem. Then we obtain, as a by-product of Theorem 7, a complete description of the full null space of R^* :

$$N_\infty = \{g \in L^2(H, \nu); (R^*g)(x) \equiv 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

THEOREM 7'. *If the measure μ in (20') is equal to 0 (in other words, if $d(x, y) = c|x - y|$, $c > 0$), then $N_\infty = \{0\}$, i.e., R^* is injective on $L^2(H, \nu)$. While, if μ is positive we have $N_\infty = [p_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega}); (m, k, j) \in J]$.*

3-3. We are now in a position to state noteworthy consequences of the preceding results. By virtue of the relation (22), our conclusion follows from Theorems 7 and 7'.

THEOREM 8. *Let X be a Lévy's Brownian motion with parameter space (\mathbb{R}^n, d) , where d is of the form (10). Then we have, for $0 < \rho < \infty$,*

$$\begin{aligned} [X(x); x \in V_\rho] = & \left\{ \int_{H(\rho)} g(h) W(dh); g \in L^2(H(\rho), \nu) \text{ satisfying} \right. \\ & \int_0^\rho t^{m-1-2j} dt \int_{S^{n-1}} S_{m,k}(\omega) g(h_{t,\omega}) \sigma(d\omega) = 0 \\ & \left. \text{for all } (m, k, j) \in J \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

For the case $\rho = \infty$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [X(x); x \in \mathbb{R}^n] = & \left\{ \int_H g(h) W(dh); g \in L^2(H, \nu) \right\}, \\ \text{if } d(x, y) = & c|x - y|, \quad c > 0, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} [X(x); x \in R^n] = & \left\{ \int_H g(h) W(dh); g \in L^2(H, \nu) \text{ satisfying} \right. \\ & \int_0^\infty t^{m-1-2j} dt \int_{S^{n-1}} S_{m,k}(\omega) g(h_{t,\omega}) \sigma(d\omega) = 0 \\ & \left. \text{for all } (m, k, j) \in J \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

if d is given by (10) with positive μ .

3-4. With a suitable choice of $\alpha(x) > 0$ satisfying $\int_{R^n} \nu(B_x) \alpha(x) dx < \infty$, the Hilbert-Schmidt operator $R \circ T_\alpha$ from $L^2(R^n, \alpha(x) dx)$ to $L^2(H, \nu)$ was discussed in connection with a factorization of the covariance operator of X ((I), Theorem 3). As a counterpart of the exterior Radon transform (cf. [21] and [22]), it would be interesting to study the exterior halfspace transform

$$(28) \quad (R \circ T_\alpha f)(h_{t,\omega}) := \int_{h_{t,\omega}} f(x) \alpha(x) dx, \quad f \in L^2(V_\rho^c, \alpha(x) dx),$$

where the resultant function $R \circ T_\alpha f$ is considered to be in $L^2(H(\rho)^c, \nu)$.

Under the assumption that α is a radial function, $\alpha(x) = \alpha(|x|)$ on V_ρ^c , we can determine the null space of $R \circ T_\alpha$:

$$N_\rho(\alpha) := \{f \in L^2(V_\rho^c, \alpha(|x|) dx); (R \circ T_\alpha f)(h_{t,\omega}) \equiv 0 \text{ on } H(\rho)^c\}.$$

First observe that, for a given $f \in L^2(V_\rho^c, \alpha(|x|) dx)$,

$$(29) \quad (R \circ T_\alpha f)(h_{t,\omega}) = (R_\alpha^* \tilde{f})(\omega/t), \quad t > \rho \text{ and } \omega \in S^{n-1},$$

where $\tilde{f}(h_{t,\omega}) := f(\omega/t) \in L^2(H(\rho^{-1}), \nu_\alpha)$, ν_α being a measure on $H(\rho^{-1})$ defined by

$$\nu_\alpha(dh_{t,\omega}) := |S^{n-1}| t^{-n-1} \alpha(1/t) dt \sigma(d\omega),$$

and R_α^* is the dual Radon transform defined on $L^2(H(\rho^{-1}), \nu_\alpha)$. On the lines of Theorem 7, we can prove the following

PROPOSITION 9. For $0 < \rho < \infty$, we have

$$N_\rho(\alpha) = [f_{m,k,j}(x); (m, k, j) \in J(\alpha)],$$

where

$$f_{m,k,j}(x) := S_{m,k}(x/|x|) |x|^{-m-n+2j} \alpha(|x|), \quad |x| \geq \rho,$$

and

$$J(\alpha) := \left\{ (m, k, j) \in J; \int_{\rho}^{\infty} t^{-2m-n+4j-1} (\alpha(t))^{-1} dt < \infty \right\}.$$

§ 4. The McKean processes

As in Section 3, we shall assume that $X = \{X(x); x \in R^n\}$ is a Lévy's Brownian motion with parameter space (R^n, d) , where d is a rotation-invariant distance of the form (10). Since the representations (8) of the McKean processes $M_{m,k}(t)$, $(m, k) \in \Delta$, follow from the original representation (1) of X , we can answer, as a byproduct of Theorem 8, the basic question concerning the canonical property of (8).

We begin by applying Lemma 6 to the representation (1) of X ; we get

$$\begin{aligned} (30) \quad X(x) &= \sum_{(m,k) \in \Delta} S_{m,k}(x|x) \int_{H(|x|)} \lambda_m(t|x) S_{m,k}(\omega) W(dh_{t,\omega}) \\ &= \sum_{(m,k) \in \Delta} S_{m,k}(x|x) \int_0^{|x|} \lambda_m(t|x) dB_{m,k}(t), \end{aligned}$$

where the Gaussian processes $B_{m,k}(t)$, $(m, k) \in \Delta$, are defined by

$$(31) \quad B_{m,k}(t) := \int_{H(t)} S_{m,k}(\omega) W(dh_{u,\omega}), \quad t > 0.$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} E[B_{m,k}(t)B_{m',k'}(t')] &= \int_{H(t) \cap H(t')} S_{m,k}(\omega) S_{m',k'}(\omega) \nu(dh_{u,\omega}) \\ &= \delta_{(m,k), (m',k')} \int_0^{\min(t,t')} v(u) du, \end{aligned}$$

where $v(u)$ was given by (20'). This shows that the processes $B_{m,k}(t)$ are mutually independent Gaussian additive processes with common spectral density $v(t) = E[(B_{m,k}(dt))^2]/dt$.

In view of the expression (30) of X , we are naturally led to the following

DEFINITION 2 (cf. [17]). The Gaussian process

$$(7) \quad M_{m,k}(t) := \int_{S^{n-1}} X(t\omega) S_{m,k}(\omega) \sigma(d\omega), \quad t > 0,$$

is called the *McKean process with index (m, k)* , $(m, k) \in \Delta$. In the case $m = 0$, $M_{0,1}(t)$ has a more familiar name, the *$M(t)$ -process* (cf. [15]).

With this definition, the expression (30) is rewritten as follows:

$$X(x) = \sum_{(m,k) \in \mathcal{A}} S_{m,k}(x/|x|) M_{m,k}(|x|),$$

and

$$(8) \quad M_{m,k}(t) = \int_0^t \lambda_m(u/t) dB_{m,k}(u),$$

where the kernel $\lambda_m(t)$ was computed in Lemma 6.

Now, Theorem 8 is rephrased in terms of these Gaussian processes $M_{m,k}(t)$ and $B_{m,k}(t)$, $(m, k) \in \mathcal{A}$.

THEOREM 10. (i) *In the case $m \leq 2$, the representation (8) of $M_{m,k}(t)$ is canonical, i.e.,*

$$[M_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho] = [B_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho] \quad \text{for every } \rho > 0.$$

(ii) *In the case $m \geq 3$, the representation (8) of $M_{m,k}(t)$ is not canonical. Furthermore we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & [B_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho] \ominus [M_{m,k}(t); t \leq \rho] \\ &= \left[\int_0^\rho t^{m-1-2j} (v(t))^{-1} dB_{m,k}(t); 1 \leq j \leq [(m-1)/2] \right] \end{aligned}$$

for every $0 < \rho < \infty$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & [B_{m,k}(t); t > 0] \ominus [M_{m,k}(t); t > 0] \\ &= \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } d(x, y) = c|x - y|, \quad c > 0, \\ \left[\int_0^\infty t^{m-1-2j} (v(t))^{-1} dB_{m,k}(t); 1 \leq j \leq [(m-1)/2] \right], & \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

otherwise.

Concluding remarks. (i) Our discussions in Sections 3 and 4 can be extended to the case with other parameter spaces such as $M = S^n$ (n -sphere) or H^n (n -dimensional real hyperbolic space). In particular, consider a familiar Lévy's Brownian motion X with parameter space (M, d_G) , d_G being the usual geodesic distance on $M = S^n$ or H^n (cf. [18] and [23]). Such an X admits of a nice representation ([23]) analogous to (1) for a Brownian motion with n -dimensional parameter. By making use of this known representation of X , we can show that Theorems 8 and 10 have respective counterparts in these two cases of (S^n, d_G) and (H^n, d_G) . The details are omitted.

(ii) In their study of conformal invariance of white noise, Hida, Lee and Lee [13] introduced a generalized Gaussian random field $Y = \{Y(x); x \in R^n, 0 < |x| < 1\}$ defined by

$$(32) \quad Y(x) = \int_{B_x} F(x, h_{t,\omega}) W(dh_{t,\omega}),$$

where the kernel F is given by

$$(33) \quad F(x, h_{t,\omega}) = a(x)t^{-n+1}/\{(x, \omega) - t|x|\},$$

and $W = \{W(dh_{t,\omega}); h_{t,\omega} \in H(1)\}$ is a Gaussian random measure (white noise) with variance $\nu(dh_{t,\omega}) := t^{n-1}d\sigma(d\omega)$, ν being a measure on the set $H(1)$ of half-spaces $h_{t,\omega}$, $0 < t < 1$ and $\omega \in S^{n-1}$.

This representation (32) of Y might be thought of as a multi-dimensional version of canonical representations of Gaussian processes, and takes a more general form than the representation (1) of Chentsov type (which corresponds to the choice of $F(x, h_{t,\omega}) \equiv 1$). This generality would cause us many difficulties in investigating the integral transformation R_F^* associated with (32):

$$(34) \quad (R_F^*g)(x) := \int_{B_x} F(x, h_{t,\omega})g(h_{t,\omega})\nu(dh_{t,\omega}),$$

g being in a suitable class of functions on $H(1)$. But in the present situation where the kernel F is specified by (33) with the additional condition that $a(x) > 0$, we can prove analogous results on the null spaces $N_\rho(F)$ of R_F^* , $0 < \rho < 1$:

$$N_\rho(F) := \{g(h_{t,\omega}); \text{supp } g \subset H(\rho) \quad \text{and} \quad (R_F^*g)(x) \equiv 0, \quad 0 < |x| \leq \rho\}.$$

Indeed, similar arguments to Section 3-2 lead us to the following conclusion:

$$N_\rho(F) = [g_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega}); m \geq 2, 1 \leq k \leq h(m) \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq [m/2]],$$

where we put

$$g_{m,k,j}(h_{t,\omega}) := t^{m-2j}\chi_{(0,\rho]}(t)S_{m,k}(\omega).$$

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