

ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WOLD DECOMPOSITION FOR NON-STATIONARY STOCHASTIC PROCESSES

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Abstract. It is presented a relation between the Wold decomposition for a second order stochastic process $x(t)$, $t \in R$, having a spectral representation and the Lebesgue decomposition, with respect to the Lebesgue measure, for the spectral measure of $x(t)$, $t \in R$.

Introduction. We are concerned with the construction of the Wold decomposition for non-stationary quadratic mean (q.m.) continuous stochastic processes $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$ having a spectral representation in the form

$$(*) \quad x(t) = \int e^{it\lambda} d\mu(\lambda), \quad t \in R,$$

where μ is a bounded vector measure on R with values in $L^2(\Omega, A, P)$.

It is well known that the Wold decomposition for a q.m. continuous stationary stochastic process $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$ can be stated in terms of the Lebesgue decomposition for its spectral measure μ with respect to the Lebesgue measure m on R (cf. [13], p. 115 and 116).

In this paper we present a relation between the Wold decomposition for a stochastic process $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$ of the form (*) and the Lebesgue decomposition for its spectral measure μ with respect to m (cf. Theorem 3). It appears that, in general, the m -singular and m -continuous parts of μ do not fully characterize the deterministic and purely non-deterministic parts of $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$, respectively (cf. Example 2). However, it is shown that the Wold decomposition for a stochastic process $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$ of the form (*) can be explicitly stated in terms of the Lebesgue decomposition for its spectral measure μ with respect to m provided that $x: R \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, A, P)$ is in addition in the class of uniformly bounded linearly stationary stochastic processes introduced by Tjøstheim and Thomas [16] (cf. Theorem 5).

1. A Lebesgue decomposition theorem for bounded vector measures and their orthogonally scattered dilations. In this section we present a relation between the Lebesgue decomposition for a bounded vector measure μ with values in a Hilbert space and the Lebesgue decompositions for the so-called orthogonally scattered dilations of μ . The result is merely a reformulation of results obtained in [10], Theorems 7-9.

Let T be a locally compact Hausdorff space. By $C_0(T)$ we denote the linear space of all continuous functions $f: T \rightarrow C$ vanishing at infinity, carrying the supremum norm topology.

Let $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow B$ be a bounded vector measure with values in a (complex) Banach space B , i.e., μ is a bounded linear mapping. By $\mathcal{L}^p(\mu)$ we denote the linear space of all the functions $u: T \rightarrow C$ for which $|u|^p$ is μ -integrable, $p = 1, 2$. By $\overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\}$ we denote the closure of $\mu(C_0(T))$ in B . Recall that

$$\int u d\mu \in \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\} \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu).$$

(In this paper we apply the integration technique of vector measures introduced by Thomas [15].)

Let $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow B$ be a bounded weakly compact vector measure with values in a (complex) Banach space B and let β be a positive Radon measure on T . Recall that there exist bounded weakly compact vector measures $\mu_s: C_0(T) \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\}$, $\mu_c: C_0(T) \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\}$ and a Borel set $E^* \subset T$ such that $\beta(E^*) = 0$, $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$, μ_s is β -singular, μ_c is β -continuous, $\mathcal{L}^1(\mu) \subset \mathcal{L}^1(\mu_s)$, $\mathcal{L}^1(\mu) \subset \mathcal{L}^1(\mu_c)$ and

$$\int u d\mu_s = \int u \chi_{E^*} d\mu, \quad \int u d\mu_c = \int u \chi_{T \setminus E^*} d\mu, \quad u \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu),$$

where χ_E stands for the characteristic function of a Borel set $E \subset T$ (cf. [12], Theorem 4.5, [3], [10], Theorem 3, and the references given therein).

Example (Pop-Stojanovic [11]). Let $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow H$ be a bounded vector measure with values in a Hilbert space H . Suppose, in addition, that μ is *orthogonally scattered*, i.e., there exists a (uniquely determined) bounded positive Radon measure $\nu: C_0(T) \rightarrow C$ such that $\mathcal{L}^1(\mu) = \mathcal{L}^2(\nu)$ and

$$\left(\int u d\mu \mid \int v d\mu\right) = \int u \bar{v} d\nu \quad \text{for all } u, v \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$$

(cf. [5], Theorem 5.9). Let β be a positive Radon measure on T and let $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$ and $\nu = \nu_s + \nu_c$ be the Lebesgue decompositions with respect to β for μ and ν , respectively. Then:

- (i) μ_s and μ_c are orthogonally scattered;
- (ii) furthermore

$$\left(\int u d\mu_s \mid \int v d\mu_s\right) = \int u \bar{v} d\nu_s, \quad u, v \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu_s),$$

$$\left(\int u d\mu_c \mid \int v d\mu_c\right) = \int u \bar{v} d\nu_c, \quad u, v \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu_c);$$

- (iii) $\overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\} = \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu_s\} \oplus \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu_c\}$.

The following lemma is obvious:

LEMMA 1. Let B and B' be two (complex) Banach spaces. Suppose that $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow B$ is a bounded weakly compact vector measure, β is a positive Radon measure on T and $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$ is the Lebesgue decomposition for μ with respect to β . If $A: \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \} \rightarrow B'$ is a bounded linear operator, then

- (i) $\mu' = A \circ \mu$ is a bounded weakly compact vector measure;
- (ii) $\mu'_s = A \circ \mu_s$ and $\mu'_c = A \circ \mu_c$ are the β -singular and β -continuous parts of μ' , respectively;
- (iii) if, in addition, $A: \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu' \}$ has a bounded inverse

$$A^{-1}: \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu' \} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \},$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} A(\overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu_s \}) &= \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu'_s \}, & A^{-1}(\overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu'_s \}) &= \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu_s \}, \\ A(\overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu_c \}) &= \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu'_c \}, & A^{-1}(\overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu'_c \}) &= \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu_c \}. \end{aligned}$$

In what follows, by P_K we denote the orthogonal projection of a Hilbert space H onto its given closed linear subspace K .

The following theorem can now be proved as Theorem 13 in [7] by applying Theorems 7-9 in [10] (cf. [1], [2], Theorem 3.1, and [6], Corollary 6).

THEOREM 1. Let $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow H$ be a bounded vector measure with values in a (complex) Hilbert space H , let β be a positive Radon measure on T and let $E^* \subset T$ be a Borel set in T such that $\beta(E^*) = 0$ and

$$\mu_s(f) = \int f \chi_{E^*} d\mu, \quad \mu_c(f) = \int f \chi_{T \setminus E^*} d\mu, \quad f \in C_0(T),$$

are the β -singular and β -continuous parts of μ , respectively. Then there exist a (complex) Hilbert space H' and a bounded orthogonally scattered vector measure $\mu': C_0(T) \rightarrow H'$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $\mathcal{L}^1(\mu') \subset \mathcal{L}^1(\mu)$.
- (ii) The β -singular and β -continuous parts of μ are

$$\mu'_s(f) = \int f \chi_{E^*} d\mu', \quad \mu'_c(f) = \int f \chi_{T \setminus E^*} d\mu', \quad f \in C_0(T),$$

respectively.

(iii) There exists a linear mapping $j: \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \} \rightarrow H'$ such that $j: \overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \} \rightarrow j(\overline{\text{sp}} \{ \mu \})$ is an inner product preserving isomorphism and, for all $u \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mu')$,

$$(1a) \quad j\left(\int u d\mu\right) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu\})}\left(\int u d\mu'\right),$$

$$(1b) \quad j\left(\int u d\mu_s\right) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu_s\})}\left(\int u d\mu'_s\right),$$

$$(1c) \quad j\left(\int u d\mu_c\right) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu_c\})}\left(\int u d\mu'_c\right).$$

(iv) The bounded vector measure $\mu: C_0(T) \rightarrow H$ is β -singular (respectively, β -continuous) if and only if there exists a β -singular (respectively, β -continuous) bounded orthogonally scattered vector measure $\mu': C_0(T) \rightarrow H'$ satisfying (1a).

Remark. Statement (iii) in Theorem 1 can also be formulated as follows: The diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & H' \\ & \nearrow^{\tilde{\mu}'} & \downarrow P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{\tilde{\mu}\})} \\ C_0(T) & & \\ & \searrow_{\mu} & \\ & \overline{\text{sp}}\{\tilde{\mu}\} & \xrightarrow{j} j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{\tilde{\mu}\}) \end{array}$$

is commuting for all pairs:

- (a) $\tilde{\mu} = \mu, \tilde{\mu}' = \mu'$;
- (b) $\tilde{\mu} = \mu_s, \tilde{\mu}' = \mu'_s$;
- (c) $\tilde{\mu} = \mu_c, \tilde{\mu}' = \mu'_c$.

2. Wold decomposition for q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic processes.

Let H be a (fixed) complex Hilbert space; one may choose, e.g., $H = L^2(\Omega, A, P)$, where (Ω, A, P) is a probability space. In this paper a stochastic process is always a mapping $x: R \rightarrow H$.

Let $x(t), t \in R$, be a stochastic process. For $t \in R$, by $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; t\}$ we denote the closed linear subspace in H spanned by the set $\{x(s) | s \leq t\}$, and by $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x\}$ we denote the closed linear subspace in H spanned by the set $\{x(s) | s \in R\}$. Furthermore we put

$$\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\} = \bigcap_{t \in R} \overline{\text{sp}}\{x; t\}.$$

The stochastic process $x(t), t \in R$, is called *purely non-deterministic* if $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\} = \{0\}$; it is called *deterministic* if $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\} = \overline{\text{sp}}\{x\}$.

Let $x(t), t \in R$, be a stochastic process. The decomposition

$$v_x(t) = P_{\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\}}(x(t)), \quad u_x(t) = x(t) - v_x(t), \quad t \in R,$$

is called the *Wold decomposition* for $x(t), t \in R$; it is the only decomposition for $x(t), t \in R$, in the form $x(t) = v'_x(t) + u'_x(t), t \in R$, with the properties (cf. [4], Theorem 1):

- (W1) $v'_x(t), t \in R$, is deterministic; $u'_x(t), t \in R$, is purely non-deterministic;
- (W2) $\overline{\text{sp}}\{v'_x\} \perp \overline{\text{sp}}\{u'_x\}$;
- (W3) $\overline{\text{sp}}\{v'_x; t\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}}\{x; t\}, \overline{\text{sp}}\{u'_x; t\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}}\{x; t\}$ for all $t \in R$.

Recall that a stochastic process $x(t), t \in R$, is *q.m. continuous* if the mapping $x: R \rightarrow H$ is continuous; and it is in addition *V-bounded* if there exists a uniquely determined bounded vector measure $\mu: C_0(R) \rightarrow H$, the *spectral measure* of $x(t), t \in R$, such that

$$x(t) = \int e^{it\lambda} d\mu(\lambda), \quad t \in R$$

(cf. [6], [8]-[10] and the references given there).

If $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is a q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process and if μ is its spectral measure, then $\overline{\text{sp}} \{x\} = \overline{\text{sp}} \{\mu\}$.

In this paper we are concerned with the construction of the Wold decomposition for a given q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, in terms of the Lebesgue decomposition for its spectral measure μ with respect to the Lebesgue measure m on \mathbb{R} .

Example 1. Let $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, be a stationary stochastic process, i.e., $(x(s)|x(t))$ depends only on $s-t$, $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$. If $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is in addition q.m. continuous, then it is even V -bounded and its spectral measure μ is orthogonally scattered. Put

$$(2) \quad x_s(t) = \int e^{it\lambda} d\mu_s(\lambda), \quad x_c(t) = \int e^{it\lambda} d\mu_c(\lambda), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$ is the Lebesgue decomposition for μ with respect to m . Then:

- (i) $x_s(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is deterministic and $x_c(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is either deterministic or purely non-deterministic;
- (ii) $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is deterministic if and only if $x_c(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is deterministic;
- (iii) if $x_c(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is purely non-deterministic, then

$$v_x(t) = x_s(t), \quad u_x(t) = x_c(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\} = \overline{\text{sp}} \{v_x\} = \overline{\text{sp}} \{\mu_s\}, \quad \overline{\text{sp}} \{u_x\} = \overline{\text{sp}} \{\mu_c\}$$

(cf. [13], p. 115 and 116).

The following theorem can be proved as Theorem 11 in [8], by applying Theorem 1 (cf. [1] and [6], Theorem 5).

THEOREM 2. Let $x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow H$ be a q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process and let $\mu: C_0(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$ be its spectral measure. Then there exist a Hilbert space H' and a q.m. continuous stationary stochastic process $x': \mathbb{R} \rightarrow H'$ such that μ , H' and the spectral measure $\mu': C_0(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{x'\}$ of $x'(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, satisfy the conditions stated in Theorem 1, and by applying the notation introduced in (2) and Theorem 1:

$$j(x(t)) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{x\})}(x'(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$j(x_s(t)) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{x_s\})}(x'_s(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$j(x_c(t)) = P_{j(\overline{\text{sp}}\{x_c\})}(x'_c(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

The following lemma is due to Abreu [1].

LEMMA 2. Let $x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow H$ be a stochastic process. Suppose there exist a stochastic process $x': \mathbb{R} \rightarrow H'$ and a bounded linear mapping $A: \overline{\text{sp}} \{x'\} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$ such that $x(t) = A(x'(t))$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

- (i) $A(\overline{\text{sp}} \{x'; -\infty\}) \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$;
- (ii) if $x'(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is deterministic, then $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is deterministic.

Remark. The inclusion relation stated in Lemma 2 (i) may be strict.

LEMMA 3. Let $x(t)$, $t \in R$, be a stochastic process and let $M \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$ be a closed linear subspace in $\overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$. Put

$$y(t) = P_M(x(t)), \quad z(t) = x(t) - y(t), \quad t \in R.$$

Then

- (i) $y(t)$, $t \in R$, is deterministic;
- (ii) $\overline{\text{sp}} \{y; t\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; t\}$, $\overline{\text{sp}} \{z; t\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; t\}$, $t \in R$; $\overline{\text{sp}} \{y\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$, $\overline{\text{sp}} \{z\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$; $\overline{\text{sp}} \{y; -\infty\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$, $\overline{\text{sp}} \{z; -\infty\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$;
- (iii) $\overline{\text{sp}} \{y\} \perp \overline{\text{sp}} \{z\}$;
- (iv) $\overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\} = M \oplus \overline{\text{sp}} \{z; -\infty\}$;
- (v) $v_x(t) = y(t) + v_z(t)$, $u_x(t) = u_z(t)$, $t \in R$.

Proof. Since $M \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$, we have

$$y(t) = P_M(x(t)) = P_M(v_x(t)), \quad t \in R.$$

Thus, it follows from Lemma 2 that $y(t)$, $t \in R$, is deterministic, proving (i).

Assertions (ii) and (iii) follow immediately from the definitions of $y(t)$, $t \in R$, and $z(t)$, $t \in R$.

In order to prove (iv), we first note that the inclusion $M \oplus \overline{\text{sp}} \{z; -\infty\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$ is clear. On the other hand, suppose $w \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$. Put $w = w_1 + w_2$, where $w_1 \in M$ and $w_2 \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$, $w_2 \perp M$. In order to show that $w_2 \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{z; -\infty\}$, note that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and for any $w' \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; t\}$, $t \in R$, of the form

$$w' = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k x(t_k), \quad a_k \in C, \quad t_k \leq t, \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

satisfying $\|w - w'\| < \varepsilon$, we have

$$\|(I - P_M)(w - w')\| < \varepsilon$$

and

$$(I - P_M)(w - w') = w_2 - \sum_{k=1}^n a_k z(t_k).$$

Thus, the fact that $w \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$ implies $w_2 \in \overline{\text{sp}} \{z; -\infty\}$, proving (iv).

Finally, assertion (v) follows immediately from (iv).

The lemma is proved.

The forthcoming theorem follows now from Theorem 2, Example 1, Lemmas 2 and 3. (Statement (ii) in Theorem 3 was already presented in [10], Theorem 3.)

THEOREM 3. Let $x(t)$, $t \in R$, be a q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process and let $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$ be the Lebesgue decomposition with respect to m for its spectral measure $\mu: C_0(R) \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}} \{x\}$. Then, by applying the notation introduced in (2):

- (i) $\overline{\text{sp}} \{\mu_s\} \subset \overline{\text{sp}} \{x; -\infty\}$.

- (ii) If $\mu_c = 0$, then $x(t)$, $t \in R$, is deterministic.
- (iii) Put

$$w(t) = x_c(t) - P_{\overline{sp}(\mu_s)}(x_c(t)), \quad t \in R.$$

Then

$$v_x(t) = x_s(t) + P_{\overline{sp}(\mu_s)}(x_c(t)) + v_w(t), \quad u_x(t) = u_w(t), \quad t \in R.$$

- (iv) $u_x(t)$ and $v_x(t)$ for $t \in R$ are q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic processes with spectral measures

$$\mu_v = \mu_s + P_{\overline{sp}(\mu_s)} \circ \mu_c + P_{\overline{sp}(w; -\infty)} \circ (\mu_c - P_{\overline{sp}(\mu_s)} \circ \mu_c)$$

and

$$\mu_u = (I - P_{\overline{sp}(w; -\infty)}) \circ (\mu_c - P_{\overline{sp}(\mu_s)} \circ \mu_c),$$

respectively.

Remark. (i) The stochastic process $w(t)$, $t \in R$, defined in Theorem 3, is a q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process with an m -continuous spectral measure.

(ii) If a q.m. continuous stationary stochastic process has an m -continuous spectral measure, then it is either deterministic or purely non-deterministic. The following example shows that, in general, this statement is not valid for q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic processes.

Example 2. For convenience we consider here only the discrete time case. The example can be transformed, in a straightforward way, into the continuous time case by applying a suitable smoothing function.

Suppose $e_k \in H$, $\|e_k\| = 1$, $k = 1, 2$, and $e_1 \perp e_2$. Define $x(k)$, $k \in Z$, by

$$x(0) = e_1, \quad x(k) = 0 \text{ for } k > 0, \quad x(k) = k^{-1}e_2 \text{ for } k < 0.$$

Then $x(k)$, $k \in Z$, is a V -bounded sequence with an m -continuous spectral measure (cf. [14], p. 183 and 184). Furthermore,

$$v_x(k) = k^{-1}e_2 \text{ for } k < 0, \quad v_x(k) = 0 \text{ for } k \geq 0,$$

$$u_x(0) = e_1, \quad u_x(k) = 0 \text{ for } k \neq 0,$$

i.e., $v_x \neq 0$ and $u_x \neq 0$ even if the spectral measure of $x(k)$, $k \in Z$, is m -continuous.

The next theorem follows immediately from Theorem 12 in [10] and from Theorem 3. It can be considered as a vector-valued version of the well-known result by F. and M. Riesz concerning the m -continuity of scalar-valued bounded measures with Fourier-Stieltjes transforms vanishing on a half-line.

THEOREM 4. Let $x(t)$, $t \in R$, be a purely non-deterministic q.m. continuous V -bounded stochastic process. Then:

- (i) the spectral measure μ of $x(t)$, $t \in R$, is m -continuous;

(ii) if there exists a Borel set $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $m(E) > 0$ and $\mu(E') = 0$ for all Borel sets $E' \subset E$, then $\mu = 0$ and, a fortiori, $x(t) = 0$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

We close this paper by considering a special case where the results stated in Theorem 3 can be improved.

Recall that a stochastic process $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is *uniformly bounded linearly stationary* (UBLS) if one of the following three equivalent conditions holds (cf. [16]):

(i) There exists a constant $M \geq 0$ such that

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x(t_j + s) \right\| \leq M \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n a_j x(t_j) \right\|$$

for all $a_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $s, t_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $j = 1, \dots, n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(ii) There exists a uniquely determined group of operators $T_s: \overline{\text{sp}}\{x\} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}}\{x\}$, the *shift operator group* of $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, such that

$$T_s(x(t)) = x(t+s), \quad \|T_s\| \leq M \quad \text{for all } s, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(iii) $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, has a *stationary similarity* (y, B) , i.e., there exist a stationary stochastic process $y(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and a bounded linear operator $B: \overline{\text{sp}}\{y\} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}}\{x\}$ with a bounded inverse $B^{-1}: \overline{\text{sp}}\{x\} \rightarrow \overline{\text{sp}}\{y\}$ such that $x(t) = B(y(t))$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Remark. Since any UBLS stochastic process has a stationary similarity, any q.m. continuous UBLS stochastic process is even V -bounded (cf. [9], Theorem 4).

Statements (i)-(iii) in the following theorem were proved in [9] (Lemma 6, Theorems 7 and 8), statements (iv)-(vii) are implied by Lemma 1, Example 1 and Theorem 3.

THEOREM 5. Let $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, be a UBLS stochastic process and let (y, B) be a stationary similarity of $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

(i) $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\} = B(\overline{\text{sp}}\{y; -\infty\})$, $\overline{\text{sp}}\{y; -\infty\} = B^{-1}(\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\})$;
 $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x\} = B(\overline{\text{sp}}\{y\})$, $\overline{\text{sp}}\{y\} = B^{-1}(\overline{\text{sp}}\{x\})$;

(ii) $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is *deterministic* (respectively, *purely non-deterministic*) if and only if $y(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is *deterministic* (respectively, *purely non-deterministic*);

(iii) the stochastic processes

$$x'(t) = B(v_y(t)), \quad x''(t) = B(u_y(t)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

are UBLS stochastic processes having the same shift operator group as $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$; $x'(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is *deterministic* and $x''(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is *purely non-deterministic*.

Suppose, in addition, that $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is q.m. continuous and that $\mu = \mu_s + \mu_c$ is the Lebesgue decomposition with respect to m for the spectral measure μ of $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$. If $x(t)$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is not deterministic, then by applying the notation introduced in (2):

(iv) $x'(t) = x_s(t)$ and $x''(t) = x_c(t)$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$;

(v) $\overline{\text{sp}}\{x; -\infty\} = \overline{\text{sp}}\{\mu_s\}$;

(vi) for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$v_x(t) = x_s(t) + P_{\overline{\text{sp}}(\mu_s)}(x_c(t)), \quad u_x(t) = x_c(t) - P_{\overline{\text{sp}}(\mu_s)}(x_c(t));$$

(vii) the spectral measures of $v_x(t)$ and $u_x(t)$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$ are

$$\mu_v = \mu_s + P_{\overline{\text{sp}}(\mu_s)} \circ \mu_c \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_u = \mu_c - P_{\overline{\text{sp}}(\mu_s)} \circ \mu_c,$$

respectively.

Remark. (i) A q.m. continuous UBLS stochastic process with an m -continuous spectral measure is either purely non-deterministic or deterministic.

(ii) In [9], Theorem 14, it is presented a necessary and sufficient condition for a so-called harmonizable UBLS stochastic process to be deterministic (respectively, purely non-deterministic).

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