

Proof— Setting in (1.1.10)

$$\varphi(x) = e^{i\langle x, k \rangle}, x \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

with $k \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we obtain

$$\overline{\mu \circ T}(k) = e^{i\langle u, T^*k \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle QT^*k, T^*k \rangle}, k \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

By (1.1.8) we have

$$\overline{\mu \circ T}(k) = \overline{N(Tu, TQT^*)}(k), k \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

and the conclusion follows since the Fourier transform is one-to-one. ■

1.2 Wiener measure

Se voe "supponemos
che le ω sono tali che
 $\omega(0) = 0$, adess
a potrete assumere
in Ω qualunque
valore reale con
ugual probabilità.
→ se ottiene una
distrib. di prob.
equidistribuita sul
grado di liberdad.
→ secondo Wiener
se $\omega(t) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $t \in [0, T]$

We fix $T > 0$ and denote by $\Omega = C_0([0, T])$ the Banach space of all real continuous function on $[0, T]$, vanishing at 0, endowed with the norm

$$\|\omega\| = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |\omega(t)|, \forall \omega \in \Omega.$$

We denote by \mathcal{F} the σ -algebra of all Borel subsets of Ω , that is the smallest σ -algebra of parts of Ω containing the open subsets of Ω .

We are going to construct the Wiener probability measure \mathbb{P} on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) . We first define \mathbb{P} on the cylindrical subsets of Ω .

$$I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B) = \{\omega \in \Omega : (\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in B\}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

We denote by \mathbb{K} the set of all cylindrical subsets of Ω . Notice that the cylindrical set $I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)$ is not uniquely determined by t_1, \dots, t_n and B . For instance, if $t_n < t_{n+1} \leq T$ we have

$$I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B) = I(t_1, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}; B \times \mathbb{R}).$$

Moreover it is clear that if $F, G \in \mathbb{K}$ then there exist $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$, $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, such that

$$F = I(t_1, \dots, t_n; A), G = I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B).$$

$$F = I(t_1, \dots, t_n; A)$$

$$F = I(t_1, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}, \dots, t_m; A \times \mathbb{R}^{m-n})$$

$$G = I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)$$

$$G = I(t_1, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}, \dots, t_m; B \times \mathbb{R}^{m-n})$$

$$F \cup G = (F \Delta G) \vee (F \cap G)$$

$$F \cap G = \bigcup_{S_1, \dots, S_m} (S_1 \times \dots \times S_m; F \cap G)$$

From this fact it follows immediately that \mathbb{K} is an algebra. Moreover it is easy to check that the σ -algebra generated by \mathbb{K} coincides with \mathcal{F} . For this it suffices to show that the closed balls

$$\overline{B(a, r)} = \{\omega \in \Omega : \|\omega - a\| \leq r\}, \quad a \in \Omega, r > 0.$$

belong to the σ -algebra generated by \mathbb{K} , and this follows from the equality ⁽¹⁾

$$\overline{B(a, r)} = \{\omega \in \Omega : |\omega(\rho) - a(\rho)| \leq r, \forall \rho \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, T]\}.$$

Now we define a function $\mathbb{P} : \mathbb{K} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ setting

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)) &= [(2\pi)^n t_1(t_2 - t_1) \cdots (t_n - t_{n-1})]^{-1/2} \\ &\times \int_B e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\xi_1^2}{t_1} + \cdots + \frac{(\xi_n - \xi_{n-1})^2}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \right]} d\xi_1 \cdots d\xi_n, \end{aligned}$$

insieme circolare
 $\overline{B(a, r)} = \bigcap_{t \in [0, 1]} \{ \omega \in \Omega : |\omega(t) - a(t)| \leq r \}$

o continuo, quindi
 $\overline{B(a, r)} = \bigcap_{q \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, 1]} \{ \omega(q) - a(q) \leq r \}$

per avere una intersezione numerabile

(1.2.1)

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq t_1 < \cdots < t_n \leq T$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

It is easy to see that this definition does not depend on the choice of the particular representation of $I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)$. For instance if $t_n < t_{n+1} \leq T$, we have ⁽²⁾

$$\mathbb{P}(I(t_1, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1}; B \times \mathbb{R}))$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(t_{n+1} - t_n)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(\xi_{n+1} - \xi_n)^2}{t_{n+1} - t_n}} d\xi_{n+1}$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)).$$

Da (1) $\Gamma_1 = I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)$
 $\Gamma_2 = I(t_2, \dots, t_n; A)$
 $A \cap B = \emptyset$

de cui
 $\int_{\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2} = \int_{\Gamma_1} + \int_{\Gamma_2}$

e per i tratti è a posto

It is easy to check that \mathbb{P} is additive:

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n \Gamma_k\right) = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{P}(\Gamma_k).$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and for all mutually disjoint subsets $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_n$ in \mathbb{K} .

The following result is basic, for the proof see e.g. K. Itô and H. P. McKean [4], page 14.

¹ \mathbb{Q} represents the set of all rational numbers.

² In the general case use the fact that setting $g_t(x) = (2\pi t)^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}}$ $t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}$, one has $g_t * g_s = g_{t+s}$ for $t > 0, s > 0$ (1)

(Nel caso $t_{j+1} < t_{n+1} < t_j$)

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \int \frac{1}{t_{n+1}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} e^{-\frac{(x_1 - u)^2}{2t_{j+1}}} du &= \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} e^{\frac{x_1^2}{2t_{j+1}}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \frac{du}{t_{j+1}} e^{-\frac{2x_1^2}{t_{j+1}} + \frac{2x_1 u}{t_{j+1}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} e^{\frac{x_1^2}{2t_{j+1}}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} \right) \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \frac{du}{t_{j+1}} e^{-\frac{2x_1^2}{t_{j+1}} + \frac{2x_1 u}{t_{j+1}}} = \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} e^{\frac{x_1^2}{2t_{j+1}}} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \frac{du}{t_{j+1}} e^{-\frac{2x_1^2}{t_{j+1}} + \frac{2x_1 u}{t_{j+1}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{t_{j+1}} e^{\frac{x_1^2}{2t_{j+1}}} e^{-\frac{2x_1^2}{t_{j+1}}} = \mathbb{P}(1(t_{j+1}, t_{n+1}, x_1, x_1)) \end{aligned}$$

$$(1) N(0, Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n})(B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n t_1(t_2-t_1) \dots (t_n-t_{n-1})}} \int_B e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n} \xi, \xi \rangle} d\omega$$

$$\gamma \circ P(B) = P(\gamma^{-1}(B)) = P(I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n t_1(t_2-t_1) \dots (t_n-t_{n-1})}} \int_B e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle Q^{-1} \gamma, \gamma \rangle} dx \quad (B \in \mathbb{R}^n)$$

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Wiener measure

Proposition 1.2.1 \mathbb{P} has a unique extension to a probability measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , still denoted by \mathbb{P} .

\mathbb{P} is called the Wiener measure on $[0, T]$.

Let $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$, and let γ be the mapping defined by

$$\gamma : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \omega \mapsto (\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)).$$

By (1.2.1) it follows that $\boxed{\gamma \circ \mathbb{P} = \mathcal{N}(0, Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n})}$, where

$$\leq Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n}^{-1} \xi, \xi \geq = \frac{\xi_1^2}{t_1} + \frac{(\xi_2 - \xi_1)^2}{t_2 - t_1} + \dots + \frac{(\xi_n - \xi_{n-1})^2}{t_n - t_{n-1}}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (1.2.2) \text{ (4)}$$

The following result follows from Theorem 1.1.3.

Theorem 1.2.2 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded Borel measurable function. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(y) \mathcal{N}(0, Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n})(dy) \\ &= [(2\pi)^n t_1(t_2 - t_1) \dots (t_n - t_{n-1})]^{-1/2} \\ & \times \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(\xi) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\xi_1^2}{t_1} + \dots + \frac{(\xi_n - \xi_{n-1})^2}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \right]} d\xi_1 \dots d\xi_n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2.3)$$

Remark 1.2.3 Formula (1.2.3) clearly holds also for Borel measurable functions φ having polynomial growth.

The function $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \omega \mapsto \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n))$ is said to be cylindrical.

Example 1.2.4 Let $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and bounded. By (1.2.3) we have, for all $0 < t \leq T$, and all $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\int_{\Omega} \varphi(\xi + \omega(t)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2t}} \varphi(x + \xi) dx. \quad (1.2.4)$$

$\varphi \circ \mathcal{G}_t$

Note that the function u defined by

$$u(t, \xi) = \int_{\Omega} \varphi(\xi + \omega(t)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega)$$

$$\text{II. } \int_{\Omega} (\omega(t) - \omega(s))^m P(d\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \text{density } e^{-\frac{x^2}{2(t-s)}} \frac{(t-s)^{\frac{m}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi(t-s)}} (y-x)^m \cdot (x-y)^{\frac{m}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} du \frac{e^{-\frac{u^2}{2(t-s)}}}{\sqrt{2\pi(t-s)}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} dv e^{-\frac{(v-u)^2}{2(t-s)}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(t-s)}}$$

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is the classical solution to heat equation (in quanto è una modellizzazione della distribuzione delle temperature nel dominio Ω)

$$\begin{cases} u_t(t, \xi) = \frac{1}{2} u_{\xi\xi}(t, \xi), t > 0, \xi \in \mathbb{R} \\ u(0, \xi) = \varphi(\xi), \xi \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

 $u(t, \xi) : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Example 1.2.5. By (1.2.3) we have, for all $0 \leq s < t \leq T$, and all $m \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I. } \int_{\Omega} (\omega(t) - \omega(s))^m P(d\omega) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(t-s)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2(t-s)}} x^m dx \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{(m)!}{(m/2)! 2^{m/2}} (t-s)^{m/2} & \text{if } m \text{ is even,} \\ 0 & \text{if } m \text{ is odd.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

(1.2.5) — In particolare

We now consider a linear transformation that reduces Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n} to a diagonal form.

Proposition 1.2.6 Let $\{0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T\}$, and let ρ be the mapping

$$\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \omega \mapsto (\omega(t_1), \omega(t_2) - \omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n) - \omega(t_{n-1})).$$

$$\text{Then } \boxed{\rho \circ P = \mathcal{N}(0, \text{diag}\{t_1, t_2 - t_1, \dots, t_n - t_{n-1}\})} = \mathcal{L}(\rho(\cdot))$$

Proof — We set here $Q = Q_{t_1, \dots, t_n}$ for simplicity. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be defined by

$$T(\xi) = (\xi_1, \xi_2 - \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n - \xi_{n-1}), \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad T = T_n - P_m \rightarrow I_n \text{ by prop. 1.2.1}$$

Then we have from (1.2.2)

$$\langle Q^{-1} T^{-1} \eta, T^{-1} \eta \rangle = \frac{\eta_1^2}{t_1} + \frac{\eta_2^2}{t_2 - t_1} + \dots + \frac{\eta_n^2}{t_n - t_{n-1}}, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

It follows

$$(T^{-1})^* Q^{-1} T^{-1} = \text{diag} \left\{ \frac{1}{t_1}, \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \right\}.$$

$$Q^{-1} = T^* \text{ diag} \left\{ \frac{1}{t_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \right\} T$$

$$\in \mathbb{E}[\omega \in \Omega] = \int_{\Omega} (\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1}) + \omega(t_{i+1}) - \omega(t_i)) P(d\omega) = \omega(t_{i+1}) - \omega(t_{i-1})$$

$$\text{Var}(\omega(t_i)) = t_i - t_{i-1}$$

IV) B è la matrice soluzioine per $C_0(\Omega)$ ottenuta dalla \mathbb{P} Wiener o Wiener \mathbb{P}

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and so

$$Q = T^{-1} \operatorname{diag} \{t_1, t_2 - t_1, \dots, t_n - t_{n-1}\} (T^*)^{-1}.$$

which yields

$$T Q T^* = \operatorname{diag} \{t_1, t_2 - t_1, \dots, t_n - t_{n-1}\}.$$

and the conclusion follows. ■

1.2.1 Brownian motion

For any $t \in [0, T]$ we define a function $B(t) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by setting

$$B(t)(\omega) = \omega(t), \quad \omega \in \Omega. \quad (1.2.6)$$

B is called the standard Brownian motion on $[0, T]$.

Remark 1.2.7 From Proposition 1.2.6 it follows that if $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$, functions

$$B(t_1), B(t_2) - B(t_1), \dots, B(t_n) - B(t_{n-1}).$$

are independent. ⁽³⁾

We end this subsection by stating a result that will play a key role in the sequel. The proof is straightforward and it is left to the reader.

Proposition 1.2.8 Let $\{0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n < \sigma < s \leq T\}$, and let

$$\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

be bounded and Borel measurable. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \psi(\omega(s) - \omega(\sigma)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \int_{\Omega} \psi(\omega(s) - \omega(\sigma)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \end{aligned} \quad (1.2.7)$$

Basta vedere

$\varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n))$ come

$\varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n), \omega(s) - \omega(\sigma))$ con $\omega(s) - \omega(\sigma)$ come $\psi(\omega(s) - \omega(\sigma))$

Remark 1.2.9 Proposition 1.2.8 can be expressed by saying that if

$\varphi = F(\omega(t_1), \omega(t_2) - \omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n) - \omega(t_{n-1}), \omega(s) - \omega(\sigma))$, $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$, then functions

$$(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \text{ and } \omega(s) - \omega(\sigma)$$

sono

$\{\varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)), \omega(s) - \omega(\sigma)\}$ sono indipendenti.

$$\mathbb{P}(d\omega) =$$

³ Functions $F_1, \dots, F_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, are said to be independent if (F_1, \dots, F_n) $\mathbb{P} = \prod_{i=1}^n F_i \circ \mathbb{P}$. See e.g. Billingsley[2].

$$\{\varphi(y) \psi(y) \delta_{\omega(t)}(dy) =$$

$$= \int \varphi(y) N(0, Q_{t_n}) dy \int \psi(z) N(0, t-s)(dz)$$

1.2.2 Probability of the set $BV(0, T)$

Let us give some additional notation. We denote by Σ the set of all decompositions

$$\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\}$$

of the interval $[0, T]$. For any $\sigma \in \Sigma$ we set

$$|\sigma| = \max_{k=1, \dots, n} (t_k - t_{k-1})$$

The set Σ is endowed with the usual partial ordering

$$\sigma_1 < \sigma_2 \iff |\sigma_1| < |\sigma_2|.$$

For any $\omega \in \Omega$ we set

$$I_1(\sigma)(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|,$$

$$I_2(\sigma)(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^2.$$

We define the total variation $V_1(\omega)$ of ω as

$$V_1(\omega) = \sup_{\sigma \in \Sigma} I_1(\sigma)(\omega).$$

It is easy to see that ~~decreasing partitions~~ $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 \Rightarrow I_1(\sigma_1) \leq I_1(\sigma_2)$

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I_1(\sigma)(\omega) = V_1(\omega).$$

We shall denote by $BV(0, T)$ the set of all functions $\omega \in \Omega$ having finite total variation.

We want to show that $P(BV(0, T)) = 0$. To this purpose we introduce the quadratic variation $V_2(\omega)$ of ω , defined by

$$V_2(\omega) = \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I_2(\sigma)(\omega),$$

when the limit exists. Notice that if $V_1(\omega)$ is finite, we have $V_2(\omega) = 0$. This follows from the inequality

$$I_2(\sigma)(\omega) \leq \sup_{i=1, 2, \dots, n} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})| V_1(\omega) \quad \text{from above}$$

on the possibility of $\lim |\sigma| \downarrow 0 \Rightarrow \sup_{i=1, \dots, n} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})| \rightarrow 0$

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$$I_2(\sigma)(\omega) \leq \sup_{i=1,2,\dots,n} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})| V_1(\omega). \quad (1.2.5)$$

So, to prove that $V_1(\omega) = +\infty$ it is enough to show that $V_2(\omega) > 0$.

To prove that $\mathbb{P}(BV(0, T)) = 0$ we need the following result.

Proposition 1.2.11 *We have*

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |I_2(\sigma)(\omega) - T|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0.$$

Proof — We first remark that by (1.2.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} I_2(\sigma)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1}) = T. \end{aligned}$$

We have moreover

$$\int_{\Omega} [I_2(\sigma)(\omega)]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^4 \mathbb{P}(d\omega)$$

$$+ 2 \sum_{i < j} \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^2 |\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega).$$

By (1.2.5) it follows that

$$\int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^4 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 3(t_i - t_{i-1})^2. \quad (1.2.8)$$

Moreover, by (1.2.7) if $i < j$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^2 |\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_i) - \omega(t_{i-1})|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \int_{\Omega} |\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \quad (1.2.9) \\ &= (t_i - t_{i-1})(t_j - t_{j-1}). \end{aligned}$$

By (1.2.8) and (1.2.9) it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} [I_2(\sigma)(\omega)]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1})^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1}) \right)^2 \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1})^2 + T^2. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |I_2(\sigma)(\omega) - T|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= \int_{\Omega} [I_2(\sigma)(\omega)]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) - T^2 \\ &\leq 2|\sigma|T \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } |\sigma| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.2.12 $BV(0, T)$ is a Borel set and

$$\mathbb{P}(BV(0, T)) = 0. \quad (1.2.10)$$

4) quinadiala Prop. 1.2.11 $\Rightarrow \{I_1(\omega_n) = 1\} \subset \Gamma \subset \{I_1(\omega_n) = 1\}$
 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}\{\omega_n\} = |I_1(\omega_n) - 1| \rightarrow 0$ P.a.s. allora $\omega_n \in \Gamma$
 $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus \{w \in \mathbb{R} : V_1(w) = T\} \subset \mathbb{R}(T) \cdot 1 \subset BV(0, T) \subset \Gamma$

Proof — Denote by Σ_Q the subset of Σ of all decompositions

$$\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\}$$

such that $t_i \in \mathbb{Q}$, $i = 1, \dots, n-1$. Since

$$V_1(\omega) = \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0, \sigma \in \Sigma_Q} I_1(\sigma)(\omega)$$

$BV(0, T)$ is a Borel set. $\omega \in \mathbb{R} = \mathcal{C}_0([0, T])$.

We note now that from Proposition 1.2.11 there exists a sequence $\{\sigma_n\} \subset \Sigma$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\sigma_n| = 0$, and a Borel set $\Gamma \subset \mathcal{F}$ such that $\mathbb{P}(\Gamma) = 1$ and ⁽³⁾

$$V_2(\omega) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} I_2(\sigma_n)(\omega) = T, \forall \omega \in \Gamma. \Rightarrow \text{V. lo. (1.2.11 bis) che}$$

$$V_1(\omega) \sim \omega \text{ Vale?}$$

Thus $BV(0, T) \subset \Gamma^c$, and so (1.2.10) holds.

1.2.3 Probability of the set $C_0^\alpha([0, T])$

For any $\alpha \in]0, 1[$ we set

$$\|\omega\|_\alpha = \sup_{0 \leq s < t \leq T} \frac{|\omega(t) - \omega(s)|}{|t-s|^\alpha}, \forall \omega \in \Omega,$$

and

$$C_0^\alpha([0, T]) = \{\omega \in \Omega : \|\omega\|_\alpha < +\infty\}.$$

$C_0^\alpha([0, T])$ is the set of all real α -Hölder continuous functions on $[0, T]$ vanishing at 0. It is a Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|_\alpha$. Note that since

$$\|\omega\|_\alpha = \sup_{t, s \in \mathbb{Q}, t \neq s} \frac{|\omega(t) - \omega(s)|}{|t-s|^\alpha},$$

the mapping

$$\phi: \Omega \rightarrow [0, +\infty], \omega \mapsto \|\omega\|_\alpha$$

is Borel measurable, so that $C_0^\alpha([0, T]) \in \mathcal{F}$

può essere dimostrato che $\|\cdot\|_\alpha$ è misurabile

³Notice that the set Γ is somewhat strange. In fact if $\omega \in \Gamma$ and ω is not 0, then $\alpha\omega \notin \Gamma$ for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ different from 1 and -1.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Siccome } \omega \text{ è continua} & \Rightarrow \omega(t_0) = \omega(t_1) = \dots = \omega(T) = 0 \\ \text{e} & \text{ perciò } \omega(t_1) - \omega(t_0) = 0 \\ \text{allora } \omega(t_1) - \omega(t_0) &= \frac{|\omega(t_1) - \omega(t_0)|}{|t_1 - t_0|^\alpha} \leq \sup_{t, t' \in \mathbb{Q}} \frac{|\omega(t) - \omega(t')|}{|t-t'|^\alpha} = \|\omega\|_\alpha \\ |\omega(t_1)| &\leq \|\omega\|_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Da cui } \omega \in \mathcal{I}(t_1, \dots, t_n; [-\|\omega\|_\alpha, \|\omega\|_\alpha]^m) \Rightarrow \phi^{-1}(\mathcal{B}(\omega, r)) \subset \mathcal{I}(t_1, \dots, t_n; [-\|\omega\|_\alpha, \|\omega\|_\alpha]^m)$$

Theorem 1.2.13 Assume that $\alpha \in]1/2, 1[$.⁽⁴⁾ Then

$$\mathbb{P}(C_0^\alpha([0, T])) = 0. \quad (1.2.11)$$

Proof — Let $\omega \in C_0^\alpha([0, T])$ and $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\} \in \Sigma$. Then we have

$$I_2(\sigma)(\omega) \leq \|\omega\|_\alpha^2 \sum_{j=1}^n |t_i - t_j|^{2\alpha} \leq \|\omega\|_\alpha^2 \max_{i,j=1,\dots,n} |t_i - t_j|^{2\alpha-1} T.$$

$V_2(\omega) = T \mathbb{P}\text{-q.o. } \omega$ Since $2\alpha > 1$ it follows that $V_2(\omega) = 0$. This implies

$$C_0^\alpha([0, T]) \subset \Gamma^c,$$

where Γ is the set defined in the proof of Theorem 1.2.12. Since $\mathbb{P}(\Gamma) = 1$ the conclusion follows. ■

We want now to show that when $\alpha \in]0, 1/2[$ we have $\mathbb{P}(C_0^\alpha([0, T])) = 1$. For this it is useful to introduce fractional Sobolev spaces.

For any $p \geq 1$ and any $\beta \in]0, 1[$ we set

$$\|\omega\|_{W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T)} = \left(\int_0^T \int_0^T \frac{|\omega(t) - \omega(s)|^p}{|t-s|^{1+\beta p}} dt ds \right)^{1/p}, \quad \omega \in \Omega,$$

and

$$W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T) = \{\omega \in \Omega : \|\omega\|_{W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T)} < +\infty\}.$$

$W_0^{\beta,p}$ is a Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T)}$. We recall the Sobolev embedding theorem⁽⁵⁾

Proposition 1.2.14 Let $p \geq 1$ and $\beta \in]0, 1]$. If $\beta > \frac{1}{p}$ then

$$W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T) \subset C_0^{\beta-\frac{1}{p}}([0, T]),$$

and there exists $C_{\beta,p} > 0$ such that

$$\|\omega\|_{\beta-\frac{1}{p}} \leq C_{\beta,p} \|\omega\|_{W_0^{\beta,p}(0,T)}, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega. \quad (1.2.12)$$

⁴The conclusion of theorem holds also for $\alpha = 1/2$. See e. g. D. Revuz and M. Yor [5], page 29.

⁵See e.g. R. A. Adams [1]

remarque (Sobolev): $m \geq 1$ ($m \in \mathbb{N}$), $1 \leq p \leq \infty$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{1}{p} - \frac{m}{N} > 0$$

$$W^{m/p}(\mathbb{R}^N) \subset L^q(\mathbb{R}^N)$$

$$\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p} = \frac{m}{N}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{1}{p} - \frac{m}{N} = 0$$

$$W^{m/p}(\mathbb{R}^N) \subset L^q(\mathbb{R}^N)$$

$$\forall q \in [\underline{p}, +\infty[$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{1}{p} - \frac{m}{N} < 0$$

$$W^{m/p}(\mathbb{R}^N) \subset L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$$

Chapter 2

Stochastic integral

In all this chapter $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is the probability space defined in Chapter 1. For any $p \in [1, +\infty[$ we denote by $\boxed{\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})}$ the set of all Borel mappings $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\boxed{\int_{\Omega} |X(\omega)|^p \mathbb{P}(d\omega) < +\infty.}$$

$\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is a linear space with the usual linear operations. We shall denote by $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ the quotient space of $\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ with respect to the equivalence relation

$$X \sim Y \iff \int_{\Omega} |X(\omega) - Y(\omega)| \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0.$$

If $X \sim Y$ we write $X = Y$, \mathbb{P} - a.e.. As well known, $\boxed{L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})}$, endowed with the norm

$$\boxed{\|X\|_p = \left(\int_{\Omega} |X(\omega)|^p \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \right)^{1/p}.}$$

is a Banach space.

2.1 Wiener integral

We want here to define the integral

$$\boxed{I(f) = \int_0^T f(s) dB(s), \omega \in \Omega,}$$

where $f \in \mathcal{L}^2([0, T])$. ⁽¹⁾ We will set

$$I(f)(\omega) = \int_0^T f(s) d\omega(s), \quad \omega \in \Omega.$$

This expression can be interpreted as a Stiltjes integral when ω has bounded variation, but we know from Theorem 1.2.12 that this is almost never the case. So we will give a different meaning to the integral expression above, showing that suitable Riemann sums are convergent in $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.

We denote by $S(0, T)$ the set of all mappings $f : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ of the form

$$f = \sum_{k=1}^n f_{k-1} \chi_{[t_{k-1}, t_k]}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T$, and $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}$.

For any $f \in S(0, T)$ we set

$$I(f)(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^n f_{k-1} (\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})).$$

The following lemma is basic.

Lemma 2.1.1 Let $f \in S(0, T)$. Then we have

$$\int_{\Omega} I(f)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Media} \\ \text{nula} \end{array} \right) \quad (2.1.1)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} |I(f)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_0^T |f(s)|^2 ds. \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Varianza} = \mathbb{E}[f^2] \\ \mathbb{E}[f^2] \end{array} \right) \quad (2.1.2)$$

Proof — By (1.2.5) it follows

$$\int_{\Omega} \omega(t) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0, \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

¹ $\mathcal{L}^2([0, T])$ is the set of all Borel mappings $f : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\int_0^T |f(t)|^2 dt < +\infty.$$

so that (2.1.1) holds. Let us prove (2.1.2). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |I(f)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j=1}^n |f(t_{j-1})|^2 [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &+ 2 \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j < k}^n f(t_{j-1}) f(t_{k-1}) [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})] [\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \end{aligned} \quad (2.1.3)$$

By (1.2.5) we have

$$\int_{\Omega} [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = t_j - t_{j-1}.$$

Moreover, by Proposition ?? it follows

$$\int_{\Omega} [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})] [\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0.$$

By substituting in (2.1.3) we find finally

$$\int_{\Omega} |I(f)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^n |f(t_{j-1})|^2 (t_j - t_{j-1}). \blacksquare \quad (f \text{ is a scalar})$$

Now, let $f \in L^2(0, T)$. For any $\sigma \in \Sigma$, ⁽²⁾ $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\}$, we consider the function $f_{\sigma} \in S(0, T)$ defined as

$$f_{\sigma} = \sum_{j=1}^n f(t_{j-1}) \chi_{[t_{j-1}, t_j]} \quad (2.1.4)$$

Theorem 2.1.2 For any $f \in L^2([0, T])$ there exists the limit

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I(f_{\sigma}) =: \int_0^T f(s) dB(s). \quad (2.1.5)$$

in $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. Moreover we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\int_0^T f(s) d\omega(s) \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0, \quad (2.1.6)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| \int_0^T f(s) d\omega(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_0^T |f(s)|^2 ds. \quad (2.1.7)$$

²the set of all decompositions of the interval $[0, T]$ defined in §1.2.1.

Proof— We prove that $\{I(f_\sigma)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence on $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. In fact, by (2.1.2) it follows, for $\sigma, \eta \in \Sigma$,

$$\int_{\Omega} |I(f_\sigma) - I(f_\eta)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_0^T |f_\sigma(t) - f_\eta(t)|^2 dt.$$

Since obviously $\{f_\sigma\}$ is a Cauchy sequence on $L^2(0, T)$, the conclusion follows.

We have finally

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\int_0^T f(s) d\omega(s) \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} I(f_\sigma)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \left| \int_0^T f(s) d\omega(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} |I(f_\sigma)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^n |f(t_{j-1})|^2 (t_j - t_{j-1}) = \int_0^T |f(s)|^2 ds. \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

The function of $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

$$I(f) = \int_0^T f(s) dB(s), \quad \omega \in \Omega.$$

is called the *Wiener integral* of f in $[0, T]$.

We define in obvious way the Wiener integral $\int_a^b f(s) dB(s)$ in any interval $[a, b] \subset [0, T]$.

We note that if $f \in C^1([0, T])$ then it is possible to express the Wiener integral $\int_0^T f(s) dB(s)$ in terms of a Riemann integral as the following integration by parts formula shows.

Proposition 2.1.3 If $f \in C^1([0, T])$ we have

$$\int_0^T f(s) dB(s) = f(T)B(T) - \int_0^T f'(s)B(s)ds. \quad (2.1.8)$$

Proof — Let $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\} \in \Sigma$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(f_\sigma)(\omega) &= \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_{k-1})(\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n (f(t_k)\omega(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})\omega(t_{k-1})) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{k=1}^n (f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1}))\omega(t_k) \\
 &= f(T)\omega(T) - \sum_{k=1}^n (f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1}))\omega(t_k) \\
 &= f(T)\omega(T) - \sum_{k=1}^n f'(\alpha_k)\omega(t_k)(t_k - t_{k-1}),
 \end{aligned}$$

where α_k is a suitable number in the interval $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$, $k = 1, \dots, n$. It follows that

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I(f_\sigma)(\omega) = f(T)\omega(T) - \int_0^T f'(s)\omega(s)ds, \quad \mathbb{P} - \text{a.e. } \omega \in \Omega. \blacksquare$$

2.2 Itô integral

In this section we set for simplicity $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = L^2(\Omega)$. We want to define a stochastic integral

$$\int_0^T F(s)(\omega)d\omega(s),$$

for a class of functions ⁽³⁾

$$[0, T] \rightarrow L^2(\Omega), \quad t \mapsto F(t),$$

⁽³⁾A stochastic process on $[0, T]$ is a function $F : [0, T] \rightarrow L^2(\Omega)$. A function $F \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ is called a stochastic process continuous in mean square.

belonging to $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$. By $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ we mean the Banach space of all continuous mappings from $[0, T]$ into $L^2(\Omega)$, endowed with the norm

$$\|F\|_{C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))} = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left(\int_{\Omega} |F(t)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \right)^{1/2}.$$

We will define the above integral for those mappings F belonging to $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ such that $F(t)$, $t \in [0, T]$, depends in some sense only on the values of ω on $[0, t]$.

We set $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\Omega, \emptyset\}$, and for any $t \in [0, T]$ we denote by \mathcal{F}_t the smallest σ -algebra in \mathcal{F} containing all cylindrical sets of the form

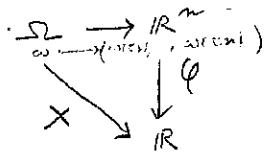
$$I(t_1, \dots, t_n; B) = \{\omega \in \Omega : (\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in B\},$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq t$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

The family of σ -algebras $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \in [0, T]}$ is called the *natural filtration* of $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.

Proposition 2.2.1 Let X be a cylindrical function \mathcal{F}_t -measurable. Then there exist $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq t$ and $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Borel measurable, such that

$$X(\omega) = \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)), \quad \omega \in \Omega. \quad (2.2.1)$$



Proof— By the hypothesis there exists a minimal positive integer n , positive numbers $t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$, and a Borel function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that (2.2.1) holds.

If φ is constant the result is obviously true. Assume that φ is not constant, and let $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ be such that $\varphi^{-1}(B) \neq \mathbb{R}$. Then the set

$$\{\omega \in \Omega : \varphi(\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in B\} = \{\omega \in \Omega : (\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in \varphi^{-1}(B)\}$$

Since X is \mathcal{F}_t -measurable we have

$$\{\omega \in \Omega : (\omega(t_1), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in \varphi^{-1}(B)\} \in \mathcal{F}_t,$$

that yields $t_n \leq t$ in view of the minimality of n . ■

ω è precalibrale in misura \mathbb{P} se \mathcal{F}_t è \mathcal{F}_s

Remark 2.2.2 $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_0, \mathbb{P})$ and $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_0, \mathbb{P})$ are both isomorphic to \mathbb{R} .

Obviously we have

$$\mathcal{L}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P}) \subset \mathcal{L}^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}), \quad \forall t \in [0, T].$$

For all $t \in [0, T]$, there is a natural identification of $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P})$ with a closed subspace of $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, still denoted $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P})$.

Let $F \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$. If $F(t)$ belongs to $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_t, \mathbb{P})$ for all $t \in [0, T]$ then F is said to be *adapted*. We shall denote by $C_{ad}([0, T])$ the set of all functions in $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ that are adapted.

As easily checked $C_{ad}([0, T])$ is a closed subspace of $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$, and it will be endowed with its norm.

⁴ The concept of adapted function is of basic importance in the definition of Itô integral below.

Exercise 2.2.3 Prove the following statements .

(i) B belongs to $C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ and it is adapted.

(ii) If $f \in C([0, T])$ then the function $F : t \mapsto F(t)$, where

$$F(t)(\omega) = \int_0^t f(s)dB(s),$$

is adapted.

(iii) If $f \in C([0, T])$ is not identically equal to 0, then the function $F : t \mapsto F(t)$, where

$$F(t)(\omega) = \int_t^T f(s) dB(s),$$

is not adapted.

The following result is an easy consequence of Proposition 1.2.9. It is of key importance in the construction of the Itô integral.

Proposition 2.2.4 Let $X \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_s, \mathbb{P})$, is Borel measurable and bounded, we have

$$\int_{\Omega} X(\omega) \psi(\omega(t) - \omega(s)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \int_{\Omega} \psi(\omega(t) - \omega(s)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega).$$

(2.2.2)

- n'individu
2. $\gamma_n(\omega) = \varphi_n(\omega(t_0), \dots, \omega(t_n)) \in \Gamma \rightarrow \gamma(\omega) = \varphi(\omega(t_0), \dots, \omega(t_n))$
- Alloren $\gamma \in \mathcal{Y}$
2. \mathbb{D} contient les constantes et les fonctions continues relatives aux voies.
- $X_{[t_0, \dots, t_n]}(B) = X(\omega(t_0), \dots, \omega(t_n))$

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Proof — It is enough to prove the result when X is cylindrical,

$$X(\omega) = \varphi(\omega(\alpha_1), \dots, \omega(\alpha_n)),$$

de 2.2.4 with $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 < \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_n \leq s$ and $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ bounded and Borel measurable. In this case the conclusion follows from Proposition 1.2.9.

Proposition 2.2.4 can be expressed by saying that if X is \mathcal{F}_s measurable and $s < t$, then X and $B(t) - B(s)$ are independent.

2.2.1 Future filtration

For any $s \geq 0$ we denote by \mathcal{F}^s the sub- σ -algebra of \mathcal{F} generated by all sets of the form

$$\{\omega \in \Omega : (\omega(t_1) - \omega(s), \dots, \omega(t_n) - \omega(s)) \in B\},$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $s \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq T$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. The family $\{\mathcal{F}^s\}_{s \in [0, T]}$ is called the *future filtration*.

The following result can be proved as Proposition 2.2.4.

Proposition 2.2.5 Let $X \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}^s, \mathbb{P})$, $0 \leq t < s \leq T$. If $\psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Borel measurable and bounded, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) \psi(\omega(t) - \omega(s)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \int_{\Omega} \psi(\omega(t) - \omega(s)) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \end{aligned} \quad (2.2.3)$$

Proposition 2.2.5 can be expressed by saying that if X is \mathcal{F}^s measurable and $t < s$, then X and $B(s) - B(t)$ are independent.

2.2.2 Definition of Itô integral

Let $F \in C_{ad}([0, T])$. For any $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\} \in \Sigma$ we consider the integral sum

$$I_{\sigma}(F) = \sum_{j=1}^n F(t_{j-1})(B(t_j) - B(t_{j-1})). \quad (2.2.4)$$

$$F_{\sigma} = \sum_{k=1}^n F(t_{k-1}) \chi_{[t_{k-1}, t_k]}$$

$$F_{\sigma} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} F \quad \text{in } \mathcal{C}([0, T], \mathbb{L}^2(\mathbb{C}^{\otimes 2}))$$

$$\sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left(\int_{\Omega} |F_{\sigma}(t)(\omega) - F(t)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \right)^{1/2} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0 \quad \begin{aligned} & \text{in quanto:} \\ & F \in \mathcal{C}^0([0, T], \mathbb{L}^2(\mathbb{C}^{\otimes 2})) \\ & \text{in particolare:} \\ & \text{sup}_{t \in [0, T]} \mathbb{E}[\|F(t)\|^2] < \infty \\ & \text{Allora per le t.c.} \end{aligned}$$

Our goal is to prove that there exists the limit

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I_\sigma(F) =: \int_0^T F(s) dB(s), \text{ in } L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}).$$

As in the definition of Wiener integral we prove first a lemma.

Lemma 2.2.6 *Let $F \in C_{ad}([0, T])$, and let $\sigma \in \Sigma$. Then we have*

$$\int_{\Omega} I_\sigma(F)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0 \quad (2.2.5)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} |I_\sigma(F)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j=1}^n |F(t_{j-1})(\omega)|^2 (t_j - t_{j-1}) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \quad (2.2.6)$$

Proof — Let us prove (2.2.5). We have

$$\int_{\Omega} I_\sigma(F)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} F(t_{j-1})(\omega) (\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})) \mathbb{P}(d\omega).$$

Since $F(t_{j-1}) \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}_{t_{j-1}}, \mathbb{P})$, from Proposition 2.2.4 it follows

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} I_\sigma(F)(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} F(t_{j-1})(\omega) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \int_{\Omega} (\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let us prove finally (2.2.6). We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} |I_\sigma(F)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j=1}^n |F(t_{j-1})(\omega)|^2 [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})]^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &+ 2 \int_{\Omega} \sum_{j < k}^n F(t_{j-1})(\omega) F(t_{k-1})(\omega) [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})] [\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \end{aligned}$$

Since $j < k$ the function

$$\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \omega \mapsto F(t_{j-1})(\omega) F(t_{k-1})(\omega) [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})],$$

is $\mathcal{F}_{t_{k-1}}$ -measurable. Then applying again Proposition 2.2.4 we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} F(t_{j-1})(\omega) F(t_{k-1})(\omega) [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})] [\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} F(t_{j-1})(\omega) F(t_{k-1})(\omega) [\omega(t_j) - \omega(t_{j-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &\quad \times \int_{\Omega} [\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})] \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows

$$\int_{\Omega} |I_{\sigma}(F)(\omega)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} |F(t_{j-1})(\omega)|^2 (t_j - t_{j-1}) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \blacksquare$$

We can prove now the following result.

Theorem 2.2.7 *For any $F \in C_{ad}([0, T])$ there exists the limit*

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} I_{\sigma}(F) =: \int_0^T F(s) dB(s), \quad (2.2.7)$$

in $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. Moreover we have

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\int_0^T F(s) dB(s) \right)^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0, \quad (2.2.8)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| \int_0^T F(s) dB(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_0^T |F(s)|^2 ds \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \quad (2.2.9)$$

The function of $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, $\boxed{\int_0^T F(s) dB(s)}$, is called the *Itô integral* of the function F in $[0, T]$.

Proof of Theorem 2.2.7— For any $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\} \in \Sigma$ we consider the function

$$\cancel{I}_{\sigma} F_{\sigma} = \sum_{j=1}^n F(t_{j-1}) (B(t_j) - B(t_{j-1})).$$

$$\int_0^T F(s) ds = \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \overline{J}_{\sigma}(F), \quad \text{where } \overline{J}_{\sigma}(F) = \sum_{j=1}^n F(t_{j-1}) (t_j - t_{j-1}).$$

In view of (2.2.9) we have, for any $\sigma, \eta \in \Sigma$

$$\int_{\Omega} |I_{\sigma}(F) - I_{\eta}(F)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_0^T (F_{\sigma}(t) - F_{\eta}(t))^2 dt \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega).$$

Now the conclusion follows since

$$\lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} F_{\sigma} = F \text{ in } C_{ad}([0, T]),$$

as easily checked. ■

We can define in an obvious way the Itô integral $\int_a^b F(s) dB(s)$ in any interval $[a, b] \subset [0, T]$. We have

$$\int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b F(s) dB(s) \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = 0, \quad (2.2.10)$$

and

$$\int_{\Omega} \left| \int_a^b F(s) dB(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b |F(s)|^2 ds \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \quad (2.2.11)$$

Corollary 2.2.8. For any $F, G \in C_{ad}([0, T])$ and for any interval $[a, b] \subset [0, T]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b F(s) dB(s) \int_a^b G(s) dB(s) \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b F(s) G(s) ds \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \end{aligned} \quad (2.2.12)$$

Proof — We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b F(s) dB(s) \int_a^b G(s) dB(s) \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left| \int_a^b (F(s) + G(s)) dB(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left| \int_a^b F(s) dB(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left| \int_a^b G(s) dB(s) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_a^b |F(s) + G(s)|^2 ds \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_a^b |F(s)|^2 ds \mathbb{P}(d\omega) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \int_a^b |G(s)|^2 ds \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\
 &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_a^b F(s) G(s) ds \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega). \blacksquare
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.2.9 Let us prove that

$$\int_0^T B(t) dB(t) = \frac{1}{2}(B^2(T) - T). \quad (2.2.13)$$

If $\sigma = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T\} \in \Sigma$ we have recalling Proposition 1.2.11

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{\sigma}(B)(\omega) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \omega(t_{k-1})(\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\omega^2(t_k) - \omega^2(t_{k-1})) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})|^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \omega^2(T) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})|^2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\omega^2(T) - T),
 \end{aligned}$$

for $|\sigma| \rightarrow 0$, in $L^2(\Omega)$. \blacksquare

Arguing as in the previous example we find that

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega(t_k)(\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})) = \frac{1}{2} (\omega^2(T) + T), \text{ in } L^2(\Omega).$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \lim_{|\sigma| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\omega(t_k) + \omega(t_{k-1})}{2} (\omega(t_k) - \omega(t_{k-1})) = \frac{1}{2} \omega^2(T), \text{ in } L^2(\Omega).$$

This shows that the definition of Itô integral depends on the choice of integral sums.

We want finally to study $\int_0^t F(s)dB(s)$ as a function of t .

Theorem 2.2.10. Let $F \in C_{ad}([0, T])$ and let

$$G(t) = \int_0^t F(s)dB(s), \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Then $G \in C_{ad}([0, T])$ and it holds

$$\|G\|_{C_{ad}([0, T])} \leq \sqrt{T} \|F\|_{C_{ad}([0, T])}. \quad (2.2.14)$$

Proof — It is easy to see that $G(t)$ is \mathcal{F}_t -measurable for all $t \in [0, T]$. Moreover if $0 \leq s < t \leq T$ by (2.2.11) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} |G(t) - G(s)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) &= \int_{\Omega} \left| \int_s^t F(u) d\omega(u) \right|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left(\int_s^t |F(u)|^2 du \right) \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_s^t \left(\int_{\Omega} |F(u)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) \right) du. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $G \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$ as claimed. We prove now (2.2.14). Let $t \in [0, T]$; again by (2.2.11) we have

$$\int_{\Omega} |G(t)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \int_0^t \int_{\Omega} |F(u)|^2 \mathbb{P}(d\omega) du \leq T \|F\|_{C_{ad}([0, T])}^2,$$

that yields (2.2.14). ■

Remark 2.2.11 Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.2.10 one can show that function $t \mapsto G(t)(\omega)$, is continuous for almost all $\omega \in \Omega$, see Chapter 7.