

THE PETTIS-STIELTJES (STOCHASTIC) INTEGRAL

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Various definitions for integrals of functions with values in an arbitrary Banach space X (vector-valued integrals) have been given in at least three topologies: The weak and strong topologies on X and pointwise in the scalar field topology. See, for example, [1], [4] and [5]. In each case conditions must be determined so that the integral exists as a well-defined vector in X .

The purpose of this paper is to define and exhibit some of the properties of a Stieltjes integral for vector-valued measures (functions) in the weak topology on X . As the definition is motivated by B. J. Pettis' definition of a Lebesgue integral in X , the integral will be called the Pettis-Stieltjes integral.

In Section 2, some properties of vector measures used in the analysis are mentioned. The basic definition of the Pettis-Stieltjes integral and a listing of some of the commonly indicated integral properties comprise Section 3. The main result of Section 4 is a representation for the Pettis-Stieltjes stochastic integral in the form of a generalized integration by parts formula. The latter entails the use of a duality formula and an unsymmetric Fubini theorem. In Section 5, a comparison with other stochastic integrals is noted as well as another condition for existence via the definition of a modified Stieltjes integral in the strong topology on X .

Examples are given in Section 6 and there is an appendix cataloging properties of the scalar valued modified Stieltjes integral. For the interval T in the real line, \mathbb{R} , take $-\infty \leq a = \inf_{t \in T} t < \sup_{t \in T} t = b \leq \infty$.

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VECTOR MEASURES

This section contains some preliminary data on vector-valued measures, definitions of their variations and comparisons.

Consider the measure space (T, \mathcal{Q}) , where T is an interval in \mathbb{R} , the reals, and \mathcal{Q} is a sigma field of subsets of T . Let μ be a set function (measure) on \mathcal{Q} to the Banach space X over \mathbb{R} .

DEFINITION 2.1. $\mu: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow X$ is strongly (weakly) countably additive if for $\{A_n\}$ disjoint in \mathcal{Q}

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_n A_n\right) = \sum_n \mu A_n$$

where convergence is in the norm (weak) topology.

Three definitions for a function $x: T \rightarrow X$ to be of bounded variation are given in Hille-Phillips, [4, p.60], and two are shown to be equivalent. Below, variation functions for the measure μ are introduced and equivalence is extended to yet another definition from Dunford-Schwartz, [1, p.320]. The supremum is taken over all finite partitions of $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ unless otherwise noted.

X^* , X^{**} denote the first and second dual spaces of X .

DEFINITION 2.2.

i) The weak variation of μ on $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ with respect to $x^* \in X^*$ is

$$W_A(\mu, x^*) \equiv \sup \sum_{k=1}^n |x^*(\mu A_k)| .$$

ii) The (total) weak variation of μ on $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ is

$$W_A(\mu) \equiv \sup\{ W_A(\mu, x^*) : \|x^*\| \leq 1 \}.$$

iii) The semi-variation of μ on $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ is

$$\|\mu\| (A) \equiv \sup \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \mu A_k \right\|$$

where the supremum is also taken over all $|\alpha_k| \leq 1$.

iv) The variation of μ on $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ is

$$V_A(\mu) \equiv \sup \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n \mu A_k \right\|.$$

v) The strong variation of μ on $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ is

$$S_A(\mu) \equiv \sup \sum_{k=1}^n \|\mu A_k\|.$$

PROPOSITION 2.3.

i)
$$V_A(\mu) \leq \|\mu\| (A) \leq W_A(\mu) \leq S_A(\mu)$$

ii)
$$\|\mu\| (A) = \beta_1 V_A(\mu)$$

$$W_A(\mu) = \beta_2 V_A(\mu), \quad \beta_1 \leq \beta_2, \quad \beta_j \in [1, 2].$$

See, also, Section 6.

Proof: Let
$$W_A(\mu, \alpha) \equiv \sup \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_k x^*(\mu A_k)|$$
 over all $|\alpha_k| \leq 1$ and

$$\|x^*\| \leq 1, \text{ then } W_A(\mu, \alpha) = W_A(\mu)$$

and adapting the argument in [4], get

$$\|\mu\| (A) \leq W_A(\mu, \alpha)$$

as well as $W_A(\mu) \leq 2V_A(\mu)$. The remainder of the inequalities are evident.

COROLLARY 2.4. The following are equivalent.

- i) μ has finite (total) weak variation (is of weak bounded variation) on A .
- ii) μ has finite semi-variation on A .
- iii) μ has finite variation on A .

Moreover, the finiteness of any of the variation functions $V_T(\mu)$, $||\mu||(\mathcal{T})$ or $W_T(\mu)$ is equivalent to μ having either type of countable additivity when \mathcal{Q} is the Borel field, $\mathcal{B}(T)$.

PROPOSITION 2.5. The statements below are equivalent for $\mu: \mathcal{B}(T) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$:

- i) μ is strongly countably additive on $\mathcal{B}(T)$.
- ii) μ is weakly countably additive on $\mathcal{B}(T)$.
- iii) μ is of weak bounded variation on T , for μ finite.

Statements (i) and (ii) are equivalent for arbitrary \mathcal{Q} .

Proof: (i) \Leftrightarrow (ii) in [4].

Let $m(\cdot) = x^*[\mu(\cdot)]$, $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$.

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii): the scalar case result is known (Hahn decomposition) for $m(\cdot)$.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii): this follows from the correspondence between Lebesgue-Stieltjes measures and non-decreasing, bounded functions on T . Let $f(\cdot) = m((-\infty, \cdot])$, then f is the difference of two such functions.

Note. There is no confusion about μ being of finite weak variation or finite (total) weak variation since they are, also, equivalent:

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) $\Rightarrow ||\mu||(\mathcal{T}) < \infty$, [DS, p.320], $\Rightarrow W_T(\mu) < \infty$.

Let $BV(T)$ be the space of functions of bounded variation on T under the supremum norm

$$\|f(\cdot)\|_u \equiv \sup_{t \in T} |f(t)| .$$

In Section 4, we will be interested in the case where the vector measure μ is induced by a function $x: T \rightarrow X$. x defines μ on the field of half-open intervals by

$$\mu((a, t]) = x(t) - x(a)$$

and when x is of weak bounded variation on T , i.e., the scalar function

$$x^*[x(\cdot)] = g^*(\cdot) \in BV(T)$$

for all $x^* \in X^*$, then $\Delta g^*(\cdot) = x^*[\mu]$ is countably additive on the field and extends uniquely to $dg^*(\cdot)$ countably additive on $\mathcal{B}(T)$ by the correspondence mentioned in the above proof. So the vector measure $\mu = dx$ is defined by the values $x^*(dx) = dg^*$.

When dealing with the measure induced by a function $x: T \rightarrow X$, we will always use $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{B}(T)$ and take the usual partitions $\{t_{kn}\}$, $k=0, \dots, n$; $n=1, 2, \dots$. All of the above remarks are valid; in particular, for $V_A(x)$, use partitions $\{(s_{kn}, t_{kn})\}$, for all finite collections of non-overlapping intervals. For example,

$$W_A(x, x^*) = \sup \sum_{k=1}^n |\Delta x^*[x(t_{kn})]| .$$

When A is an interval with endpoints c and d , write W_{cd} or V_{cd} . If $x: T \rightarrow X = \mathbb{R}$, all of the above reduce to the ordinary variation of the function x .

3. THE PETTIS-STIELTJES INTEGRAL

The basic definition is motivated by the definition of the Pettis integral, see Hille-Phillips [4, p.77], and is made possible by the following proposition, which is similar to the ordinary case. Let f be measurable with respect to (T, \mathcal{Q}) and we say that f is weakly integrable with respect to μ if $f(\cdot) \in L_1(T, \mathcal{Q}, x^*[\mu(\cdot)])$ for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$, where μ is (weakly) countably additive on \mathcal{Q} .

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let μ be countably additive on \mathcal{Q} and f weakly integrable with respect to μ . Then there exists $x^{**} \in \mathcal{X}^{**}$ such that

$$x^{**}(x^*) = \int_T f(t) x^*[\mu(dt)]$$

for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$.

The scalar-valued integral on the right side is the ordinary Lebesgue integral.

Proof. Let $I(x^*) = \int_T f(t) x^*[\mu(dt)]$ for $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$. I is obviously linear and

$$W_{at}(\mu, x^*) \leq \beta \|x^*\| V_{at}(\mu)$$

for some $\beta \in [1, 2]$ by Proposition 2.3. So

$$|I(x^*)| \leq \int_T |f(t)| dW_{at}(\mu, x^*) \leq \|x^*\| \beta \int_T |f(t)| dV_{at}(\mu).$$

Therefore I is bounded and, hence, in \mathcal{X}^{**} .

With the above as a justification, x^{**} may be set equal to the symbol

$$\int_T f(t) \mu(dt) \in X^{**} .$$

More precisely, for each f , there is an $x_f^{**} \in X^{**}$ which may or may not be in the image of X under the natural mapping

$$i: X \rightarrow i(X) \subset X^{**} .$$

If this correspondence obtains, we may define the Pettis-Stieltjes integral.

DEFINITION 3.2. The scalar-valued function f on (T, Q) is Pettis-Stieltjes (PS-) integrable with respect to $\mu: Q \rightarrow X$, a Banach space, if for all $A \in Q$, there exists $x_A \in X$ such that

$$x^*(x_A) = \int_A f(t) x^*[\mu(dt)]$$

for all $x^* \in X^*$. By definition

$$x_A = \text{PS-} \int_A f(t) \mu(dt) \in X$$

and write $f \in \text{PS}(\mu)$.

For notational purposes, we will often write

$$\langle f, \mu \rangle_A \equiv \text{PS-} \int_A f(t) \mu(dt) .$$

Let X be reflexive. Then if μ is weakly countably additive, $f \in \text{PS}(\mu)$ if and only if f is weakly integrable with respect to μ ; hence, always for $X = L_p$ over an arbitrary measure space, $1 < p < \infty$.

COROLLARIES 3.3.

- i) The PS-integral is uniquely defined.
- ii) μ must be weakly countably additive for the definition.
- iii) $f_1, f_2 \in \text{PS}(\mu) \Rightarrow \alpha_1 f_1 + \alpha_2 f_2 \in \text{PS}(\mu)$, $\alpha_j \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $f \in \text{PS}(\mu_1), \text{PS}(\mu_2) \Rightarrow f \in \text{PS}(\beta_1 \mu_1 + \beta_2 \mu_2)$, $\beta_j \in \mathbb{R}$,
 and $\langle f, \mu \rangle_A$ is a bilinear function for fixed $A \in \mathcal{Q}$.
- iv) If $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}$, then $\langle f, \mu \rangle$ reduces to the ordinary Lebesgue integral.

Proof. Use the definition and the fact that $x^*(x) = x^*(y)$ for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$ implies $x = y$.

PROPOSITION 3.4. Let $f \in \text{PS}(\mu)$ and $\nu(A) = \langle f, \mu \rangle_A$, then $\nu: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is (strongly) countably additive.

Proof. Let $\{A_n\}$ disjoint in \mathcal{Q} . Then for $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$

$$x^*[\nu(\cup A_n)] = \langle f, x^*(\mu) \rangle_{\cup A_n} = \sum \langle f, x^*(\mu) \rangle_{A_n} = \sum x^*[\nu(A_n)] .$$

So ν is countably additive by Proposition 2.5.

REMARK. Call $\phi: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ continuous with respect to $\psi: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, if for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\|\phi(A)\| < \epsilon$ whenever $\|\psi(A)\| < \delta$. Then ν is continuous with respect to μ ; in fact, ν is continuous with respect to $x^*(\mu)$ for any $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$:

Let $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$. If $x^*[\mu A] = 0$ then $\nu A = 0$ and the result follows by [4, p.76].

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let L be a bounded, linear operator on X . If $f \in PS(\mu)$, then $f \in PS(L\mu)$ and for $A \in Q$

$$L \langle f, \mu \rangle_A = \langle f, L\mu \rangle_A .$$

Proof. Let L^* be the adjoint of L . For $x^* \in X^*$, there is a unique $y^* \in X^*$ given by $y^* = L^*x^*$ and $y^*(\mu) = x^*(L\mu)$ is countably additive.

Thus there exists

$$\langle f, x^*(L\mu) \rangle = \langle f, y^*(\mu) \rangle = y^*(\langle f, \mu \rangle) = x^*(L\langle f, \mu \rangle) .$$

Hence, $\langle f, L\mu \rangle = L\langle f, \mu \rangle$.

REMARK. For $f \in PS(\mu)$, $\nu = \langle f, \mu \rangle$ has finite variation on Q but does not necessarily have finite strong variation. See Section 6.

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let $f \in PS(\mu_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

i) If $\mu_n - \mu \rightarrow 0$ in weak variation then $f \in PS(\mu)$ and for $A \in Q$

$$\langle f, \mu \rangle_A = \lim_n \langle f, \mu_n \rangle_A \quad (\text{weak}) .$$

ii) $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu$ in weak variation in (i) is not sufficient.

Proof. i) μ is countably additive since

$$W_A(\mu, x^*) \leq W_A(\mu_n - \mu, x^*) + W_A(\mu_n, x^*)$$

and $f \in PS(\mu)$.

$$| \langle f, x^*(\mu_m - \mu_n) \rangle_A | \leq \|f\|, W_{at}(\mu_m - \mu_n, x^*) \rangle_A \rightarrow 0$$

as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$, so there exists a weak limit of $\langle f, \mu_n \rangle$ and

$$x^*(\langle f, \mu_n \rangle) = \langle f, x^*(\mu_n) \rangle \rightarrow \langle f, x^*(\mu) \rangle .$$

The left side converges to $x^*(\lim_n \langle f, \mu_n \rangle)$ and the right side is $x^*(\langle f, \mu \rangle)$.

ii) Let $\mu_n \equiv -\mu$. $W(\mu_n, x^*) \rightarrow W(\mu, x^*)$ but $W(\mu_n - \mu, x^*) = 2W(\mu, x^*) \not\rightarrow 0$ and $\langle f, x^*(\mu_n - \mu) \rangle \not\rightarrow 0$.

PROPOSITION 3.7. Let $f_n \in PS(\mu)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and either of the following hold:

i) $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $\|\cdot\|_u$.

ii) $f_n \rightarrow f$ pointwise, $|f_n| \leq g$ weakly integrable with respect to μ .

Then for $A \in Q$

$$\langle f, \mu \rangle_A = \lim_n \langle f_n, \mu \rangle_A \quad (\text{weak}) .$$

Proof. f_n, f are bounded by an integrable function; the argument in 3.6. applies and the inequality

$$|\langle f_n - f, x^*(\mu) \rangle_A| \leq \|f_n - f\|_u W_A(\mu, x^*)$$

is evident.

Note that it is sufficient for the convergences and inequality in (i) and (ii) to be (weak) μ -a.e., of course.

An acceptable strong definition implies the weak definition in much the same way that existence of the Bochner (ordinary) integral implies existence and equality of the Pettis integral. For example, using a definition in Dunford-Schwartz [1, p.323],

DEFINITION 3.8. A scalar-valued measurable function f is said to be integrable if there exists a sequence of simple functions $\{f_n\}$ such that

- i) $f_n \rightarrow f$ μ -a.e. and
 ii) $\left\{ \int_A f_n(t) \mu(dt) \right\}$ converges in norm for $A \in \mathcal{Q}$, where

$$\int_A f_n(t) \mu(dt) = \sum \alpha_k \mu A_k$$
 and $\{A_k\}$ partitions A .

The limit in (ii) is defined to be $DS-\int_A f(t) \mu(dt)$.

REMARK. The existence of the strong integral $DS-\int_A f(t) \mu(dt)$ implies the existence of the (weak) Pettis-Stieltjes integral $PS-\langle f, \mu \rangle_A$ and the integrals coincide:

$$x^*\left(\int_A f_n d\mu\right) = \sum \alpha_k x^*(\mu A_k) = \int_A f_n x^*(d\mu) \rightarrow \int_A f x^*(d\mu),$$

the left side converges to $x^*(DS-\int_A f d\mu)$ and the right side is $PS-\langle f, x^*(\mu) \rangle_A$.

PROPOSITION 3.9. Let f, g be scalar-valued functions on (T, \mathcal{Q}) and $\nu(A) = \langle g, \mu \rangle_A$. Then $f \in PS(\nu)$ if and only if $fg \in PS(\mu)$ and for $A \in \mathcal{Q}$

$$\langle f, \nu \rangle_A = \langle fg, \mu \rangle_A.$$

Proof. Let $f \in PS(\nu)$ and $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$. Then there exists $\langle f, x^*(\nu) \rangle_A$ and $\{f_n\}$ simple such that $f_n \rightarrow f$, $x^*(\mu)$ -a.e. and in $L_1(T)$. (If necessary, consider the non-negative parts of f, g and $x^*(\mu)$ and use the linearity.)
 $f_n g \rightarrow fg$ a.e. and

$$\langle f_n g - f_n g, \mu \rangle_A = \langle f_n - f, \nu \rangle_A.$$

Hence $\{f_n g\}$ is Cauchy in $L_1(T)$ with respect to $x^*(\mu)$ and there exists $h^* \in L_1(T)$ such that $f_n g \rightarrow h^*$. Consequently, $h^* = fg$ a.e. and

$$\langle f, x^*(\nu) \rangle_A = \langle fg, x^*(\mu) \rangle_A .$$

If $fg \in \text{PS}(\mu)$, there exists $\{f_n\}$ simple such that $f_n \leq |f|$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.e. So

$$\left| \sup \langle f_n, x^*(\nu) \rangle_A \right| \leq \langle |fg|, W_{\text{at}}(\mu, x^*) \rangle$$

and $f \in \text{PS}(\nu)$.

4. THE PS-STOCHASTIC INTEGRAL: A REPRESENTATION

In this section, consider the vector measure μ induced by a random function $x: T \rightarrow X$, where $X = X(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ is a Banach space of random variables over a probability space. If $X = L_1(\Omega)$, then there exists $E|x(t)| < \infty$ for all $t \in T$. Recall the representation for the dual space of $L_1(\Omega)$: given $x(t) \in L_1(\Omega)$ and $x^* \in L_1^*(\Omega)$, there exists $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$ such that

$$x^*[x(t)] = E[x(t)\xi^*].$$

The general definition for the PS-integral becomes in this case,

DEFINITION 4.1. The scalar-valued function f on (T, \mathcal{Q}) is PS-integrable with respect to the random function $x = \{x(t): t \in T\}$ with values in $L_1(\Omega)$, if for all $A \in \mathcal{Q}$, there exists $x_A \in L_1(\Omega)$ such that

$$E[x_A \xi^*] = \int_A f(t) dE[x(t)\xi^*]$$

for all $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$. By definition

$$x_A = \text{PS-} \int_A f(t) dx(t) \in L_1(\Omega).$$

To have the induced measure μ be countably additive, it suffices to restrict the scalar function $g^*(\cdot) \equiv E[x(\cdot)\xi^*]$ to be in $BV(T)$, for all $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$. Make this assumption in the sequel.

The above is a definition of a stochastic integral in the weak topology of $X = L_1(\Omega)$. We will also need another stochastic integral defined pointwise in the scalar topology.

Let x and y be random functions on (T, \mathcal{Q}) to $X(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$.

DEFINITION 4.2. The sample path stochastic integral of y with respect to x over $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ exists and is denoted by

$$\text{SP-} \int_A y(t, \cdot) dx(t, \cdot),$$

if the scalar-valued integrals

$$(\text{type}) - \int_A y(t, \omega) dx(t, \omega)$$

exists for almost all $\omega \in \Omega$, where the type may be one of the Riemann-Stieltjes (RS-) integral definitions or the Lebesgue-Stieltjes (LS-) integral.

Conditions for existence and properties of the SP-integral are discussed in [5]. In both of the above definitions, the integrals are defined on Ω a.s. with respect to \mathcal{P} .

Assume that $x : (T, \mathcal{B}(T)) \rightarrow L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ is a non-trivial product measurable random function and T is a finite interval.

THEOREM 4.4. For $f \in BV(T)$ and x of weak bounded variation on T , the Pettis-Stieltjes integral exists and has the representation

$$\text{PS-} \int_A f(t) dx(t) = \text{SP-} \int_A x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

where $m_f(\cdot) \in CA(T)$ the countably additive scalar-valued set functions on $\mathcal{B}(T)$.

The integral on the right side is the sample path Lebesgue-Stieltjes type.

By the remark following Definition 3.8, the formula is true for strong integrals.

COROLLARY 4.5. When it exists,

$$\text{DS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t) = \text{SP-} \int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) .$$

The proof of the theorem requires a few preliminary results.

Let $BD_1(T)$ be the space of bounded, scalar-valued functions on T with at most discontinuities of the first kind. For $f \in BD_1(T)$ and $g \in BV(T)$, the modified Stieltjes integral $\text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dg(t)$ may be defined; it is a generalization of the Riemann-Stieltjes integral and is discussed in the appendix.

DEFINITION 4.6. Let $\mathcal{C}(T)$ be the field of finite unions of (finite) open intervals and points in T . For $f \in BD_1(T)$, define $m_f(\cdot)$ on $\mathcal{C}(T)$ by

$$m_f(C) = \text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dI_C(t) .$$

Let $BA(T)$ be the space of bounded, finitely additive, scalar-valued set functions on T .

LEMMA 4.7.

(i) When $f \in BD_1(T)$, $m_f \in BA(T)$ on $\mathcal{C}(T)$ and

$$m_f((c, d)) = f(c+) - f(d-), \quad m_f(\{c\}) = f(c-) - f(c+) .$$

(ii) When $f \in BV(T)$, $m_f \in CA(T)$ on $\mathcal{B}(T)$ and is bounded.

Proof: Let $C \in \mathcal{C}(T)$. $C = \bigcup_{j=1}^m (c_j, d_j) \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^n \{e_k\}$, disjoint. (i) follows

from Proposition A.6 (appendix), Definition 4.9 and the form of C .

$$\sum_{j=1}^m |f(c_j+) - f(d_j-)| + \sum_{k=1}^n |f(e_k-) - f(e_k+)| \leq V_T(f) < \infty ;$$

hence, $\sup \{|m_f(C)| : C \in \mathcal{C}(T)\}$ is finite. Also $f = f_1 - f_2$, f_k increasing, $k = 1, 2$. Therefore,

$$m_f = m_{f_1} - m_{f_2}$$

where $m_{f_k} \in CA(T)$. As a result, m_f may be (uniquely) extended to the sigma field generated by $\mathcal{C}(T)$, by the Carathéodory Extension theorem, but this is $\mathcal{B}(T)$.

PROPOSITION 4.8. For $f \in BV(T)$ and x of weak bounded variation on T , a duality formula is obtained:

$$\int_T f(t) dg^*(t) = \int_T g^*(t) dm_f(t)$$

for all $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$, where $m_f \in CA(T)$ and $g^*(\cdot) = E[x(\cdot) \xi^*]$.

Proof: We refer to Proposition A.8 in the appendix for an integration by parts result for modified Stieltjes integrals.

$$\begin{aligned} MS-\int_T f dg &= -MS-\int_T gdf + [fg]_a^b \\ &+ \sum_x [f(x-)\{g(x)-g(x-)\} - f(x)\{g(x+)-g(x-)\} + f(x+)\{g(x+)-g(x)\}] \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is over the (common) discontinuities of f and g .

Letting g be g^* , our desired result obtains if we can show that

$\int_T g(t) dm_f(t)$ expands to become the right hand side of the above equation.

From the definition,

$$\int_T g(t) dm_f(t) = \lim_D \sum_{k=1}^n g(t'_k) \Delta m_f(t_k)$$

with partitions from $\mathcal{C}(T)$ and the t'_k are arbitrary interior points.

For $t'_k \in (t_{k-1}, t_k)$: $\Delta m_f(t_k) = m_f((t_{k-1}, t_k)) = f(t_{k-1}+) - f(t_k-)$.

For $t'_k = t_k$: $\Delta m_f(t_k) = m_f(\{t_k\}) = f(t_k-) - f(t_k+)$.

Hence $\sum g(t'_k) \Delta m_f(t_k) =$

$$\sum_{\text{intervals in } D} g(t'_k) [f(t_{k-1}+) - f(t_k-)] + \sum g(t_k) [f(t_k-) - f(t_k+)]$$

and writing the first square bracket as

$$- [\{f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})\} + \{f(t_k-) - f(t_k)\} - \{f(t_{k-1}+) - f(t_{k-1})\}] ,$$

we get the following sums

$$S_1 = \sum_D g(t'_k) \Delta(-f)(t_k) ,$$

$$S_2 = \sum_D g(t'_k) [\{f(t_k) - f(t_k-)\} + \{f(t_{k-1}+) - f(t_{k-1})\}] ,$$

$$S_3 = \sum g(t_k) [f(t_k-) - f(t_k+)] .$$

S_2, S_3 are non-zero only for the discontinuities of f , $\{d_j\}$, a countable set. Therefore, including these in a sequence of increasing partitions and taking the limit,

$$S_1 \rightarrow - \int_T g(t) df(t) , \quad (+[fg]_a^b \text{ for } f \text{ continuous at endpoints})$$

$$S_2 \rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [g(d_j-)\{f(d_j) - f(d_j-)\} + g(d_j+)\{f(d_j+) - f(d_j)\}] ,$$

$$S_3 \rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} g(d_j) [f(d_j-) - f(d_j+)] .$$

If the endpoints appear in S_3 , we get

$$\sum_k g(t_k) [f(t_k^-) - f(t_k^+)] = g(a)[-f(a)] + g(b)[f(b)] = [fg]_a^b.$$

Adding, we get

$$\int_T g(t) dm_f(t) = - \int_T g(t) df(t) + [fg]_a^b + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [f(d_j^-)\{g(d_j^-)-g(d_j^+)\} - f(d_j^+)\{g(d_j^+)-g(d_j^-)\} + f(d_j^+)\{g(d_j^+)-g(d_j^-)\}].$$

LEMMA 4.9. For $f \in BV(T)$, the Lebesgue integral

$$SP-\int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t)$$

exists.

Proof. Use the Fubini theorem and the fact that $Ex(\cdot)$ is bounded, uniformly in t . (x is product measurable with respect to $(T \times \Omega, \mathcal{B}(T) \otimes \mathcal{F}, \lambda \otimes \mathcal{P})$, where λ is Lebesgue measure.)

PROPOSITION 4.10. Let $f \in PS(x)$, then

(i) An unsymmetric Fubini theorem obtains,

$$E \left[\int_T f(t) dx(t) \right] = \int_T f(t) dEx(t);$$

in fact,

$$E \left[\int_T f(t) dx(t) \xi^* \right] = \int_T f(t) dE[x(t) \xi^*]$$

for all $\xi^* \in L_{\infty}(\Omega)$.

(ii) Moreover, if $f \in BV(T)$, the above also coincide with

$$E \left[\int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) \xi^* \right] = \int_T E[x(t) \xi^*] dm_f(t)$$

for all $\xi^* \in L_{\infty}(\Omega)$.

Proof. The equality in (i) follows since $f \in \text{PS}(x)$ and that in (ii) from Lemma 4.9 and the ordinary Fubini theorem. Using the duality formula in Proposition 4.8,

$$\int_T f(t) dE[x(t) \xi^*] = \int_T E[x(t) \xi^*] dm_f(t) = E \left[\int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) \xi^* \right]$$

\Leftrightarrow there exists

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_D E \left[\sum_{j=1}^m f(t'_j) \Delta x(t_j) \xi^* \right] &= \lim_D \sum_{j=1}^m f(t'_j) \Delta E[x(t_j) \xi^*] \\ &= E \left[\int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) \xi^* \right], \end{aligned}$$

where the limit exists as a MS-integral. Thus

$$\lim_D E[y_D \xi^*] = E[y \xi^*]$$

for all $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$; i.e., $\lim_D x^*(y_D) = x^*(y)$ for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$. Hence

the weak limit of y_D exists and is y ;

$$\text{weak } \lim_D \sum f(t'_j) \Delta x(t_j) = \int_T x(t, \cdot) dm_f(t) \in L_1(\Omega).$$

Denoting the left limit by $x_T = \int_T f(t) dx(t)$, we get the desired relation

$$E[x_T \xi^*] = \int_T f dE[x \xi^*] = \int_T E[x \xi^*] dm_f = E \left[\int_T x dm_f \xi^* \right].$$

DEFINITION 4.11. Define $L_1(x)$ to be the closure, in the norm topology, of the (linear) span of $\{x(t) : t \in T\}$.

Proof of Theorem 4.4.

$x = \{x(t) : t \in T\} \neq \{0\} \Rightarrow \dim L_1(x) \geq 1 \Rightarrow L_1(x)$ is a non-trivial

Banach space in $L_1(\Omega) \Rightarrow L_1^*(x)$ is total. Existence of the PS- $\langle f, x \rangle$ is assured; see, for example, Corollary 5.5. By Proposition 4.10,

$$x^* \left(\int f \, dx \right) = \int f \, dx^*(x) = \int x^*(x) \, dm_f = x^* \left(\int x \, dm_f \right)$$

for all $x^* \in X^*$. Consequently,

$$\text{PS-} \int f \, dx = \text{SP-} \int x \, dm_f$$

in $L_1(x)$, which means a.s.

In effect, the Pettis-Stieltjes stochastic integral of f with respect to the random function x is represented by an integration by parts formula. The following discussion motivates Theorem 4.4, indicates the origin of Definition 4.6 and outlines the argument supporting the view of the formula as a representation.

By the definition of the PS- integral, existence requires

$$x_f^{**} \in i[L_1(\Omega)] \subset L_1^{**}(\Omega) .$$

Identifying the respective dual spaces,

$$L_1(\Omega) \rightarrow L_1^*(\Omega) \cong L_\infty(\Omega) \rightarrow L_\infty^*(\Omega) \cong \text{BA}(\Omega) .$$

where the equivalences are isometric isomorphisms. Our interest, however, is in the curve $x = \{x(t) : t \in T\}$ lying in the space $L_1(\Omega)$ and we want to characterize the functionals

$$E[\cdot \, \xi^*] , \quad \xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$$

which act on $x(t)$, $t \in T$. Rather than considering functionals on $L_1(\Omega)$, we look at $E[\cdot \, \xi^*]$ on the space generated by the curve x , $L_1(x)$.

$L_1(x)$ is a closed, linear subspace of $L_1(\Omega)$ and, consequently, is a Banach space under the relative topology of the $L_1(\Omega)$ norm, $E|\cdot|$. The functionals on $L_1(x)$ look like $g^* + L_1^\perp(x)$, where $g^*(\cdot) \equiv E[x(\cdot)\xi^*]$ and $L_1^\perp(x)$ is the annihilator of $L_1(x)$ in $L_1^*(\Omega)$, [1, p.72]. On $L_1(x)$, this is just $E[x(\cdot)\xi^*]$ which is in $BV(T)$.

Since the operator topology on $L_1^*(x)$ is the induced $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ topology on $L_\infty(\Omega)$, consider the $\|\cdot\|_u$ topology on $BV(T)$ and identify $(BV(T), \|\cdot\|_u)^*$. (Note: This is not necessarily an exact isometric isomorphism; the latter holds only in a special case.)

We recall the definition of $BD_1(T)$ and the characterization of its dual space by Hildebrandt, [2, p.873]. (The result allows T to be \mathbb{R} .)

PROPOSITION 4.12. $(BD_1(T), \|\cdot\|_u)^* \cong BA(T)$, where the set functions in $BA(T)$ are defined on the field, $\mathcal{C}(T)$, of subsets of T and the correspondence is an isometric isomorphism.

$BV(T) \subset BD_1(T)$, so the characterization may be used for our purposes; in fact, there is an improvement due to the form of the functionals

$$x_f^{**}(\cdot) = \int_T f(t) d(\cdot)$$

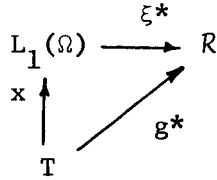
on $(BV(T), \|\cdot\|_u)$.

Now we see exactly the motivation of Definition 4.6 since

$$m_f(C) = x_f^{**}(I_C) = \int_T f(t) dI_C(t).$$

Combining this last result with the duality formula, the following framework is established for the correspondences between the various spaces used in the analysis:

- i) $x(\cdot) \in \Xi = \Xi(T, L_1(\Omega))$, the space of random functions on T to $L_1(\Omega)$ with $Ex(\cdot) \in BV(T)$. $g^*(\cdot) = E[x(\cdot) \xi^*] = \xi^*[x(\cdot)] \in BV(T)$, where $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$.



- ii) $\Xi \xrightarrow{\eta} BV(T)$:
- $$\eta[x(\cdot)] = g^*(\cdot) \text{ by } \eta[x(t)] = g^*(t) = \xi^*[x(t)] .$$
- iii) $\Xi \xrightarrow{\eta} BV(T) \xrightarrow{g^{**}} R$:
- $$g^{**}(\cdot) = \int_T (\cdot) dm_f \in BV^*(T) \cong CA(T). \quad (g^{**} \circ \eta)[x(\cdot)]$$
- $$= g^{**}\{\eta[x(\cdot)]\} = g^{**}[g^*(\cdot)] = \int_T g^*(t) dm_f(t) = \int_T \xi^*[x(t)] dm_f(t).$$
- Thus $g^{**} \circ \eta: \Xi \rightarrow R$ and $g^{**} \circ \eta$ is a bounded, linear functional on Ξ , $g^{**} \circ \eta \in \Xi^*$.
- iv) $\Xi \xrightarrow{\zeta} L_\infty(\Omega)$:
- $$\zeta[x(\cdot)] = \xi^* , \text{ where } \xi^* \text{ defines } g^* .$$
- v) $\Xi \xrightarrow{\zeta} L_\infty(\Omega) \xrightarrow{\xi^{**}} R$:
- $$\xi^{**}(\cdot) = \int_T fd(\cdot) \in L_\infty^{**}(\Omega) \cong BA(\Omega) . \quad (\xi^{**} \circ \zeta) [x(\cdot)]$$
- $$= \xi^{**}\{\zeta[x(\cdot)]\} = \xi^{**}[\xi^*(\cdot)] = \int_T f(t) d\xi^*[x(t)] = \int_T f(t) dg^*(t).$$
- Hence $\xi^{**} \circ \zeta: \Xi \rightarrow R$ and $\xi^{**} \circ \zeta$ is a bounded, linear functional on Ξ , $\xi^{**} \circ \zeta \in \Xi^*$.

Comparing the above under the appropriate conditions, we get the representation $\xi^{**} \circ \zeta = g^{**} \circ \eta$ or, symbolically, the duality formula from 4.8, $f \circ \xi^* = m_f \circ \xi^*$. The relationship is illustrated in Figure 1.

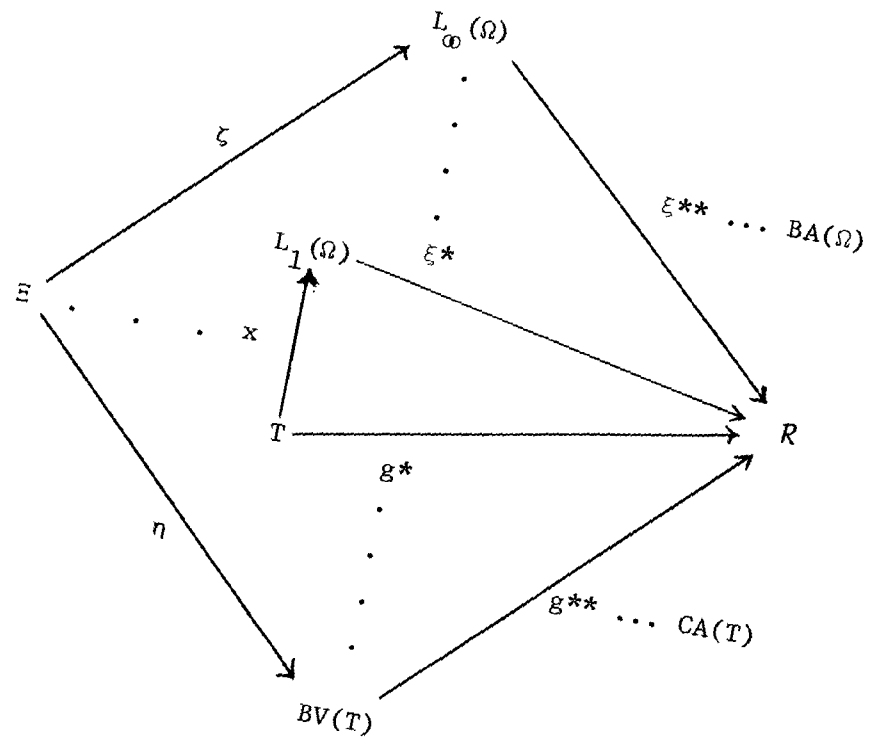


FIGURE 1

We record the following from [4, p.77].

DEFINITION 4.13. The function x on (T, Q) to the Banach space X is Pettis-integrable if for all $A \in Q$, there exists $x_A \in X$ such that

$$x^*(x_A) = \int_A x^*[x(t)] d\lambda(t)$$

for all $x^* \in X^*$, where the integral on the right is the scalar-valued Lebesgue integral. By definition

$$x_A = P-\int_A x(t) d\lambda(t) .$$

The result of Theorem 4.4 holds for the Pettis integral.

COROLLARY 4.14. Suppose x is of weak bounded variation and $f \in PS(x)$. Then

$$PS-\int_A f(t) dx(t) = P-\int_A x(t) dm_f(t) .$$

Proof. Let $x_A = PS-\langle f, x \rangle$. Then for $x^* \in X^*$

$$x^*(x_A) = \int_A f dx^*(x) = \int_A x^*(x) dm_f = x^*(P-\int_A x dm_f)$$

by the duality formula. (Existence of the Pettis integral is insured by existence of the sample path integral, Lemma 4.9, and the usual Fubini theorem.)

REMARK. Let $T = [0, 1]$ and $f \in BD_1(T)$, but not in $BV(T)$, be defined by

$$f(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n^{-1} I_{A_n}(t) , \quad t \neq 0; f(0) = 0 .$$

where $A_n = (\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n}]$. Then

$$V_T(f) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n |f(\frac{1}{k}) - f(\frac{1}{k+1})| = \sum_{k=1}^n (\frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k+1}) \rightarrow \infty .$$

Therefore, even for a random function as simple as $x(t) = K \neq 0$,

$\int_T x \, dm_f = \infty$. In fact, should we restrict f to be continuous on T but not in $BV(T)$, we can't define $SP-\int_T x(t, \cdot) \, dm_f(t)$ for, say, x being the Brownian motion process, since the paths are a.s. not of bounded variation. As a result, $f \in BV(T)$ is a necessary hypothesis for the representation.

Although the representation for arbitrary continuous functions cannot be obtained in general, a strong approximation is available.

PROPOSITION 4.15. Let f be continuous on T . For $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a polynomial p on T such that

$$\left| \left| \int_T f(t) \, dx(t) - \int_T x(t, \cdot) \, dm_p(t) \right| \right| < \varepsilon .$$

Proof. The Weierstrass approximation theorem insures the existence of a polynomial p with $\|f - p\|_u < \varepsilon/4V_T(x)$. Since $p \in BV(T)$, the integrals exist and the representation holds for $PS-\int_T p \, dx$. Let $\|x^*\| \leq 1$ and $y = \int_T f \, dx - \int_T p \, dx$, then using Proposition 2.3

$$|x^*(y)| \leq \int_T |f - p| \, dW_{at}(x, x^*) < \varepsilon/2$$

which means that $\|y\| < \varepsilon$.

5.

OTHER PROPERTIES

Restricting x to be of weak bounded variation on T is, in a sense, a weakest possible assumption, since we shall usually want to integrate, at the least, all continuous functions.

PROPOSITION 5.1. If $\text{PS-}\int_T f(t) dx(t)$ exists for all f continuous on T , then x is of weak bounded variation on T .

Proof. $\text{MS-}\int_T f(t) dx^*[x(t)]$ exists for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$ and equals $\text{RS-}\int_T f(t) dx^*[x(t)]$ for f continuous, since the oscillation over (r, t) and $[r, t]$ is the same. (See the appendix.) For RS-integrals, the proposition is known, [3, p.271]. So $x^*[x(\cdot)] \in \text{BV}(T)$, for all $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$.

Let $\text{ID-}\int_T f(t) dx(t)$ be the well-known Ito-Doob stochastic integral in $L_2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$.

PROPOSITION 5.2. When the following stochastic integrals exist, the $\text{PS-}\int_T f(t) dx(t)$ exists and coincides with them:

- i) $\text{SP-}\int_T f(t) dx(t, \cdot)$, f bounded, LS-type in $L_1(\Omega)$.
- ii) $\text{ID-}\int_T f(t) dx(t)$, where $\text{Ex}(\cdot) \in \text{BV}(T)$.

Proof. When $y = \text{SP-}\int_T f dx$ exists, f is measurable and x is a.s. of bounded variation on T , hence $\text{Ex}(\cdot) \in \text{BV}(T)$. See [5]. Let $\xi^* \in L_\infty(\Omega)$,

$E[y \xi^*] = \int_T f(t) dE[x(t) \xi^*]$, hence $y = \text{PS-}\int_T f dx$. The argument for the ID-integral is similar to the remark following Definition 3.8.

Returning to the strong topology on \mathcal{X} , the standard definition of a Riemann-Stieltjes integral in a Banach space, [4, p.62], may be slightly generalized.

DEFINITION 5.3. If $\lim_D \sum_{k=1}^n f(t'_k) \Delta x(t_k)$ exists in the norm topology with t'_k arbitrary in (t_{k-1}, t_k) and partitions are successively finer, then denote the limit by

$$\text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t) .$$

PROPOSITION 5.4. Let $f \in BD_1(T)$ and $x: T \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ such that x is of weak bounded variation on T . Then $\text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t)$ exists (in the norm topology).

Proof. For $\varepsilon > 0$, select a partition D_ε of T such that $\text{osc}(f) < \varepsilon/4M$ over any open subinterval of any $D \supset D_\varepsilon$, where $M = V_T(x) < \infty$. Recall that $W(x, x^*) \leq 2M \|x^*\|$ for $x^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$ and let $D, D' \supset D_\varepsilon$.

$$\left| x^* \left[\sum_D f(t'_j) \Delta x(t_j) - \sum_{D'} f(t'_k) \Delta x(t_k) \right] \right| \leq \sum_{D \cup D'} \text{osc}(f) |\Delta x^*[x(t_{jk})]| < \|x^*\| \varepsilon/2$$

where osc is over $(t_{j-1}, t_j) \cap (t_{k-1}, t_k)$ and $\Delta g(t_{jk}) = g(\min\{t_j, t_k\}) - g(\max\{t_{j-1}, t_{k-1}\})$. So

$$\left\| \sum_D f \Delta x - \sum_{D'} f \Delta x \right\| < \varepsilon$$

and the limit exists.

COROLLARY 5.5. For $f \in BD_1(T)$ and x of weak bounded variation on T , $f \in \text{PS}(x)$ and

$$\text{PS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t) = \text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t) .$$

Proof. $x^*[\text{MS-} \int_T f(t) dx(t)] = \int_T f(t) dx^*[x(t)] .$

When the p -th moments of $x(t)$ exist, $t \in T$, the computation of the p -th moments of the PS-integral falls out from the definition. Let

$\mathcal{X} = L_1(\Omega)$, then

$$Ex_A = \int_A f(t) dEx(t).$$

When $\mathcal{X} = L_2(\Omega)$, take $\xi^* = x_A \in L_2(\Omega)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} Ex_A^2 &= \int_A f(t) E[dx(t) x_A] \\ &= \int_A \int_A f(s) f(t) E[dx(s) dx(t)] \end{aligned}$$

where we assume $\Gamma(\cdot, \cdot) \in BV(T^2)$, $\Gamma(s, t) = E[x(s) x(t)]$. If x has orthogonal increments

$$Ex_A^2 = \int_A |f(t)|^2 E|dx(t)|^2 .$$

In general, if $\mathcal{X} = L_p(\Omega)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, take $\xi^* = x_A^{p-1} \in L_q(\Omega)$, $q = p/(p-1)$, since $E|x_A^{p-1}|^q = E|x_A|^p < \infty$ and

$$Ex_A^p = \int_A f(s) E[dx(s) \{ \int_A f(t) dx(t) \}^{p-1}] .$$

For p an integer,

$$Ex_A^p = \int_A \dots \int_A f(s_1) \dots f(s_p) E[dx(s_1) \dots dx(s_p)] ,$$

again assuming $\Gamma \in BV(T^p)$, $\Gamma(s_1, \dots, s_p) = E[x(s_1) \dots x(s_p)]$.

6.

EXAMPLES

6.1. To illustrate Theorem 4.4, the representation for the PS-integral, consider a Poisson process on $T = [0, b]$ with parameter $\lambda > 0$. $V_T(x)$ is finite, hence the PS-integral may be defined (see below).

For this process, almost all sample paths are increasing step functions, integer-valued with jumps of magnitude one and continuous from the left. Also, there are only a finite number of discontinuities in any finite interval.

Let f be continuous on T . Then the SP-integral exists and is

$$\int_T f(t) dx(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N f(d_k) [x(d_k+) - x(d_k)] = \sum_{k=1}^N f(d_k) \Delta d_k(\omega)$$

where $N = N_T$ is a random variable representing the number of discontinuities, $\{d_k(\cdot)\}$, of the sample path functions on T . So the (stochastic) integral of f with respect to the Poisson process is a random sum of random variables.

$$\text{For } D = \{t_j\}_{j=1}^m \text{ such that } \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} \Delta t_j < \max_{1 \leq k \leq N(\omega)} \Delta d_k(\omega)$$

$$\text{and } D \supset \{d_k(\omega)\}_{k=1}^{N(\omega)},$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^m x(t'_j, \omega) \Delta m_f(t_j) = \sum_{j=2}^m (j-1) \{\sum' [f(t_{j-1}) - f(t_j)]\}$$

where $t'_j \in (t_{j-1}, t_j)$ and \sum' is the sum of differences Δm_f on each subinterval $\Delta d_k(\omega)$. But $x(\cdot, \omega)$ is constant on these subintervals, so the telescoping \sum' reduces to $f[d_{k-1}(\omega)] - f[d_k(\omega)]$ and

$$\sum_{j=1}^m x(t'_j, \omega) \Delta m_f(t_j) = \sum_{k=1}^{N(\omega)} f[d_k(\omega)].$$

$$\text{that is, } \text{PS-} \int_T f dx = \text{SP-} \int_T x dm_f = \sum_1^N f(d_k).$$

Here, the SP- , PS- and ID- integrals all exist and coincide.

6.2. Define a process x_γ on $T = [0, b]$ by letting the increments $\Delta x_\gamma(t)$ be independent and normally distributed with mean $\gamma\sigma\Delta t$ and variance $\sigma^2\Delta t$; $\gamma, \sigma > 0$. x_γ is a shift of the Brownian motion for $\gamma > 0$ and $V_T(x_\gamma)$ is finite.

Here the PS- and ID- integrals may be defined, but not the SP-integral.

Using the above three examples and others, a table may be set up displaying all possible combinations of existence for the sample path, Pettis-Stieltjes and Ito-Doob integrals.

REMARK. The Brownian motion shift is an example of a process which induces a measure of finite variation on $\mathfrak{B}(T)$ (countably additive) but not of finite strong variation.

$$E|\Delta x_1(t)| = \left[\sqrt{2\Delta t} \int_0^{\sqrt{\Delta t}/2} e^{-\xi^2} d\xi + e^{-\Delta t/2} \right] E|\Delta x(t)|$$

where x is (zero-mean) Brownian motion. Hence,

$$E|\Delta x_1(t)| \geq E|\Delta x(t)| = \sigma\sqrt{2\Delta t/\pi}$$

and

$$S_T(x_1) \geq S_T(x) \geq \sigma\sqrt{2/\pi} \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{\Delta t_{kn}} \rightarrow \infty .$$

Recalling that $W_T(\mu) = \beta V_T(\mu)$ where $\mu: (T, Q) \rightarrow X$ and $1 \leq \beta \leq 2$, the Poisson process provides an example for which the equality is obtained ($\beta = 1$); let $\|x^*\| \leq 1$,

$$W_T(x, x^*) \leq \sup \sum_{k=1}^n E[\Delta x(t_{kn})] = \lambda b .$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} V_T(x) &= \sup E|\sum [x(t_{kn}) - x(s_{kn})]| \\ &= EN_T = Ex(b) = \lambda b , \end{aligned}$$

where N_T is defined in 6.1. Therefore $W_T(x) \leq V_T(x)$, so $\beta = 1$. This may also be seen from the fact that

$$S_T(x) = \sup \sum E|\Delta x(t_{kn})| = \lambda b ,$$

so $V_T(x) = W_T(x) = S_T(x)$. In fact, these equalities obtain for any process in $L_1(\Omega)$ with nondecreasing (or nonincreasing) sample paths.

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APPENDIX

The properties of the scalar-valued modified Stieltjes integral are summarized here for reference. The integral is due to B. Dushnik and some results are listed in [3, p.273]. Proofs are omitted.

DEFINITION A.1. Let f and g be real-valued functions on T . The modified Stieltjes integral is defined as

$$\text{MS-}\int_T f(t) dg(t) = \lim_D \sum_{k=1}^n f(t'_k) \Delta g(t_k)$$

where the limit is taken over successively finer partitions D of T . The t'_k are arbitrary interior points of the subintervals (t_{k-1}, t_k) .

Note that the MS-integral is more general than the usual Riemann-Stieltjes (RS-) integral.

DEFINITION A.2. $\text{osc}(f)$ is the oscillation of f over a prescribed interval T and equals $\sup \{|f(s) - f(t)| : s, t \in T\}$.

LEMMA A.3. Let $f \in \text{BD}_1(T)$, then for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a partition D_ϵ of T such that $\text{osc}(f) < \epsilon$ over any open subinterval of D_ϵ and, hence, over any open subinterval of $D \supset D_\epsilon$.

PROPOSITION A.4. When $f \in \text{BD}_1(T)$ and $g \in \text{BV}(T)$, there exists

$$\text{MS-}\int_T f(t) dg(t) .$$

PROPOSITION A.5. Let $f \in \text{BD}_1(T)$ and g continuous in $\text{BV}(T)$. Then there exists

$$\text{RS-}\int_T f(t) dg(t) = \text{MS-}\int_T f(t) dg(t)$$

PROPOSITION A.6. Let $f \in BD_1(T)$ and $g \in BV(T)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} MS-\int fdg &= RS-\int fdg_c + MS-\int fdg_d \\ &= RS-\int fdg_c + \sum_t \{f(t+)[g(t+) - g(t)] + f(t-)[g(t) - g(t-)]\} \end{aligned}$$

where g_c is the continuous part of g and g_d exhibits the discontinuities.

PROPOSITION A.7. For $f \in BD_1(T)$ and $g \in BV(T)$, the Lebesgue-Stieltjes (LS-) integral exists and

$$LS-\int fdg = MS-\int fdg .$$

PROPOSITION A.8. When both f and g are in $BV(T)$, a type of integration by parts theorem holds.

$$\begin{aligned} \int fdg + \int gdf &= [gf]_a^b \\ &+ \sum_x [f(x-)\{g(x)-g(x-)\} - f(x)\{g(x+)-g(x-)\} + f(x+)\{g(x+)-g(x)\}] \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is taken over the (common) discontinuities of f and g .

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