

SOME PROPERTIES OF FULLY SUBMITTED PROCESSES

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1. Let $X = \{X(t), 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ be a random process of second order, i.e. such that $\|X(t)\|^2 = E|X(t)|^2 < \infty$ for all $0 \leq t \leq 1$. We denote by $H(X; t)$ ($H(X; t-0)$), $0 \leq t \leq 1$, the Hilbert space obtained as a closure (in quadratic mean) of the linear manifold generated by the elements $X(s)$, $s \leq t$ ($s < t$): $H(X; t) = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{X(s), s \leq t\}$ ($H(X; t-0) = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{X(s), s < t\}$); put $H(X) = H(X; 1)$. We suppose X to be nondeterministic, i.e. $H(X; 0) = 0$. The orthogonal complement of $H(X; t)$ with respect to $H(X)$ we denote by $H^\perp(X; t)$: $H^\perp(X; t) = H(X) \ominus H(X; t)$. For the process X (as well as for the other processes) the following equality will be valid: $H(X; t-0) = H(X; t)$.

The projection operator from $H(X)$ onto $H(X; t)$ we denote by $E_X(t)$; it is easy to see that the family $E_X = \{E_X(t), 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ represents a resolution of the identity of the space $H(X)$, [1, 3]. Every element $z \in H(X)$ generates the measure m_z induced by $F_z(t) = \|E_X(t)z\|^2$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. We introduce in the ordinary way the equivalence relation in the set of all measures generated by the elements from $H(X)$: two measures are equivalent if and only if they are mutually absolutely continuous. The spectral type of the element z is the equivalence class of the measure m_z .

The Hilbert space \mathcal{M}_z spanned by the elements $E_X(t)z$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, for arbitrary $z \in H(X)$, we call the cyclic space with respect to E_X , generated by z : $\mathcal{M}_z = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{E_X(t)z, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$; the spectral type of \mathcal{M}_z is the spectral type of the element z .

We say that the arbitrary subspace \mathcal{M} of $H(X)$ is invariant with respect to E_X if $E_X(t)\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{M}$ for all t , and that \mathcal{M} reduces E_X if both \mathcal{M} and $H(X) \ominus \mathcal{M}$ are invariant with respect to E_X . It is easy to see that, for any $z \in H(X)$, cyclic subspace \mathcal{M}_z reduces E_X .

If a random process Y of second order is such that the relation

$$H(Y; t) \subset H(X; t) \text{ for all } t$$

holds, we say that Y is submitted to X ; if together with the preceding relation,

$$H^\perp(Y; t) \subset H^\perp(X; t) \text{ for all } t$$

holds, we say that Y is fully submitted to X . It can be shown [2] that Y is fully submitted to X if and only if for all t the subspace $H(Y; t)$ reduces the resolution of the identity E_X of $H(X)$.

In this paper we shall find, under the assumption that Y is submitted to X , conditions for the process Y^* , submitted to Y and fully submitted to X , to exist. The method we use is constructive, so that, in case that Y^* exists, we can construct subspaces $H(Y^*; t)$. Y^* can be considered as the best estimation of the process Y by a process which is submitted to Y and fully submitted to X , in the sense that, if Y^{**} is some other process submitted to Y and fully submitted to X , then it will be $H(Y^{**}; t) \subset H(Y^*; t)$ for all t .

2. Definition 1. We say that the element $x \in H(Y)$ is *s-regular* if $x \in H^\perp(Y; s)$ and $x \in H^\perp(X; s)$.

Obviously, every element from $H(Y)$ is 0-regular, so that the only interesting case is when, for $x \in H(Y)$, there exists an $s > 0$ such that x is *s-regular*.

The number s_x we define by

$$(1) \quad s_x = \sup \{s : x \in H^\perp(Y; s)\}.$$

Lemma 1. The relation $s_x \in \{s : x \in H^\perp(Y; s)\}$ is valid for every $x \in H(Y)$.

Proof: From (1) it follows that $x \perp H(Y; s)$ for all $s < s_x$, i.e. that $x \perp H(Y; s_x - 0)$. But, as $H(Y; t - 0) = H(Y; t)$ for all t , we have $x \perp H(Y; s_x)$, which is equivalent with the assertion of the lemma.

Definition 2. An element $x \in H(Y)$ is *regular*, if it is s_x -regular, where s_x is defined by (1). The number s_x is the *regularity level* of the element x .

Let us suppose that there exists at least one regular element in $H(Y)$; later, we shall show by an example that the set of regular elements can be empty.

Definition 3. We say that the element $x \in H(Y)$ is *strictly regular* if the elements $E_Y(t)x$ and $x - E_Y(t)x$ are regular for all t .

Obviously, every strictly regular element is regular. By the following example we shall show that the inverse does not hold, i.e. that from the fact that x is regular it does not follow that $E_Y(t)x$ and $x - E_Y(t)x$ are regular for all t .

Example 1. Let $x = x_1 + x_2$, $s_{x_1} < s_{x_2}$, x_1 is regular and $x_1 \in H(Y; s_{x_2})$. We suppose that x_2 is s_{x_1} -regular, but not regular, which is possible, because of $s_{x_1} < s_{x_2}$. Then, $x - E_Y(s_{x_2})x = x_2$ is not regular, so that x is not strictly regular.

For a (strictly) regular element x the relation $t \leq s_x$ is equivalent to $x \perp H(X; t)$. For every $x \in H(Y; t)$, (strictly) regular or not, it follows $s_x < t$. Therefore $s_t < t$, for every t , where

$$s_t = \sup \{s : Y(t) \in H^\perp(Y; s)\}.$$

Theorem 1. Element $x \in H(Y)$ is strictly regular if and only if

$$(2) \quad E_Y(t)x = E_X(t)x \text{ for all } t.$$

Proof: Let x be strictly regular, and t_0 an arbitrary number from $(s_x, s_x'']$, where

$$s_x'' = \inf \{s : x \in H(Y; s)\}.$$

Then, obviously, (2) is valid for $t \leq s_x$ and $t > s_x''$. Let

$$x_1(t) = E_Y(t)x, \quad x_2(t) = x - E_Y(t)x.$$

It is easy to see that the equality (2) is equivalent with

$$(3) \quad P_{H(X; t) \ominus H(Y; t)} x = 0 \text{ for all } t.$$

Let us put

$$(4) \quad P_{H(X; t) \ominus H(Y; t)} x = x_t,$$

and show that $x_t = 0$ for any t . As $x = x_1(t_0) + x_2(t_0)$ for any t , it follows from (4) that

$$x_t = P_{H(X; t_0) \ominus H(Y; t_0)} x_2(t_0).$$

But, as $x_2(t_0)$ is regular and $x_2(t_0) \perp H(Y; t_0)$, we have $x_2(t_0) \perp H(X; t_0)$ and that implies $x_t = 0$, which, because of (4), means that (3), i.e. (2) is valid.

Let us suppose that (2) holds. It follows that

$$x_1(t) = E_X(t)x, \quad x_2(t) = x - E_X(t)x,$$

so that we immediately conclude that $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ are regular for any t , i.e. x is strictly regular. Really, if $x_1(t) \perp H(Y; s)$ for some $s < t$, that means that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E_Y(s)x_1(t) = E_Y(s)x = E_X(s)x = E_X(s)E_X(t)x = \\ &= E_X(s)E_Y(t)x = E_X(s)x_1(t), \end{aligned}$$

that is $x_1(t) \perp H(X; s)$. In the same way, if $x_2(t) \perp H(Y; s)$ for some $s \geq t$, then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E_Y(s)x_2(t) = E_X(s)x - E_X(t)x = E_X(s)(x - E_X(t)x) = \\ &= E_X(s)(x - E_Y(t)x) = E_X(s)x_2(t), \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent with $x_2(t) \perp H(X; s)$.

Consequence 1. If x is strictly regular, then the elements $E_Y(t)x$ and $x - E_Y(t)x$ are strictly regular for all t .

Lemma 2. A finite linear combination of strictly regular elements is strictly regular.

Proof. It is enough to prove that the assertion holds for the sum of two strictly regular elements x and y . Let s_x and s_y be the regularity levels of x and y , respectively; suppose that $s_x \leq s_y$. Put $z = x + y$ and

$$z_1(t) = E_Y(t)z = x_1(t) + y_1(t); \quad z_2(t) = z - E_Y(t)z = x_2(t) + y_2(t).$$

First, we shall show that z is regular. Obviously, for the regularity level of z we have $s_z \geq s_x$. Only when $s_x = s_y$, it could happen that $s_z > s_x$; when $s_x < s_y$, we have always that $s_z = s_x$.

Let us suppose that $s_2 \geq s_x$. Then it must be $x_1(s_2) = -y_1(s_2)$, from which we have that $z = x_2(s_2) + y_2(s_2)$. From the strictly regularity of x and y , and from Theorem 1 it follows that $z \perp H(X; s_2)$, that is z is regular. The regularity of the elements $z_1(t)$ and $z_2(t)$ follows immediately from the Consequence 1 and the above proof of the regularity of z . Hence, by Definition 3, z is strictly regular.

Lemma 3. If $\{x_n\}_1^\infty$ is a convergent sequence of strictly regular elements from $H(Y)$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, then x is strictly regular.

Proof: We shall show first a) that $E_Y(t)x$ is regular, and then b) that $x - E_Y(t)x$ is regular.

a) $E_Y(t)x$ is regular if, together with all s for which $E_Y(t)x \in H^\perp(Y; s)$, we have that $E_Y(t)x \in H^\perp(X; s)$. Let us suppose that for some $s (s < t)$ the relation $E_Y(t)x \in H^\perp(Y; s)$, i.e. $E_Y(t)x \perp H(Y; s)$, holds. Then, by reason of strictly regularity of the elements $x_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$, and because of Theorem 1, we have

$$0 = E_Y(s) E_Y(t)x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_Y(s) x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_X(s) x_n = E_X(s) E_Y(t)x.$$

Therefore, element $E_Y(t)x$ is regular for all t . It remains to prove b) that $x - E_Y(t)x = x_2(t)$ is regular. If $x_2(t) \perp H(Y; s)$ for some $s (s \geq t)$, then, by the same reasons as above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E_Y(s) (x - E_Y(t)x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_Y(s) x_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_Y(t) x_n = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_X(s) x_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_X(t) x_n = E_X(s) (x - E_Y(t)x). \end{aligned}$$

The natural question is: what could be said about the regularity level of the limit of a sequence of (strictly) regular elements? Let $s = \overline{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n}}$. From the sequence $\{x_n\}_1^\infty, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, we can choose a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_1^\infty$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_{n_k}} = s$. As elements x_{n_k} are (strictly) regular and $x_{n_k} \perp H(Y; s_{n_k})$, it follows that

$$x \perp H(Y; \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_{n_k}}) \text{ and } x \perp H(X; \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_{n_k}}),$$

i.e. x is s -regular. Therefore, we have

$$(5) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n} \geq \overline{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n}}.$$

The following example shows that in (5) we can have a strict inequality.

Example 2. Let y_1 and y_2 be two arbitrarily chosen strictly regular elements, such that $s_{y_1} < s_{y_2}$. Let $x_n = a_n y_1 + y_2, n = 1, 2, \dots$, where $\{a_n\}_1^\infty$ is a sequence of real numbers converging to zero. It is easy to see that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = s_{y_2}$ which means that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n} = s_{y_2}$. However, as

$$s_{x_n} = \{\min s_{y_1}, s_{y_2}\} = s_{y_1},$$

it follows that

$$s.l. t. m. x_n = s_{y_2} > s_{y_1} = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{x_n}.$$

3. Let us denote by H^* the set of all strictly regular elements from $H(Y)$. It follows from Lemmas 2 and 3 that H^* is a Hilbert space. In order to define a process Y^* , fully submitted to X and submitted to Y , it is enough to determine the family of subspaces H_t^* , $0 \leq t \leq 1$, such that H_t^* reduces the resolution of the identity $E_X = \{E_X(s), 0 \leq s \leq 1\}$ of X and $H_t^* \subset H(Y; t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, [2, 3]. Really, if H_t^* , $0 \leq t \leq 1$, is an arbitrary nondecreasing family of subspaces, a process Y^* , such that $H(Y^*; t) = H_t^*$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, always exists and has required properties, [1].

Let the family H_t^* , $0 \leq t \leq 1$, be defined by the equality

$$H_t^* = E_Y(t) H^*, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Denote by Y^* the process which satisfies the equality

$$H(Y^*; t) = H_t^*, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Obviously, Y^* is submitted to Y , and then to X , too; let us show that it is fully submitted to X . First of all, we have that $E_Y(t)x \in H^*$, for any $x \in H^*$. Really, since x is strictly regular, $E_Y(t)x$ is also strictly regular, and therefore $E_Y(t)x \in H^*$. Hence $H_t^* \subset H^*$. It is easy to see that any element $x \in H^*$, which is orthogonal to H_t^* for some t , will be also orthogonal to $H(Y; t)$; really, if $E_Y(t)x = x_1 \neq 0$, then, by reason of $H_t^* \subset H^*$, x_1 belongs to H_t^* , which contradicts our assumption that $x \in H^* \ominus H_t^*$. Thus, the following theorem is proved.

Theorem 2. *Process Y^* , for which the equality*

$$H(Y^*; t) = E_Y(t) H^*, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

is valid, is submitted to Y and fully submitted to X .

Remark. It is easy to see that the following equalities are valid:

$$H_t^* = \{y \in H^*; y \in H(Y; t)\}$$

$$H_t^{*\perp} = \{y \in H^*; y \in H^\perp(Y; t)\}.$$

The next theorem gives one interesting and not so obvious property of Y^* .

Theorem 3. *Let Y be an arbitrary process, submitted to X . If Y^* is a process submitted to Y and fully submitted to X , then Y^* is also fully submitted to Y .*

Proof. As Y^* is fully submitted to X , the space $H(Y^*)$ could be represented as orthogonal sum of the subspaces of $H(X)$, cyclic with respect to E_X . If we denote the generating elements of those cyclic subspaces by z_ν , $\nu \in \mathcal{N}$, and the corresponding subspaces by \mathcal{M}_{z_ν} , $\nu \in \mathcal{N}$, then we shall have

$$H(Y^*) = \sum_{\nu} \oplus \mathcal{M}_{z_\nu} \quad \text{and} \quad H(Y^*; t) = \sum_{\nu} \oplus E_X^-(t) \mathcal{M}_{z_\nu}$$

(if $\dim H(Y^*) = \aleph_1$, then $\text{card } \mathcal{A} = \aleph_1$, and the last sum would be formal). If, for every $\nu \in \mathcal{A}$, we define the process Z_ν , by

$$Z_\nu(t) = E_X(t)z_\nu, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

then Z_ν would be the process with orthogonal increments and the equality

$$H(Z_\nu; t) = E_X(t) \mathcal{M}_{z_\nu}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

will hold for any $\nu \in \mathcal{A}$; it is clear that every process Z_ν is fully submitted to X .

It is easy to see that

$$H^\perp(Z_\nu; t) = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{Z_\nu(s) - Z_\nu(t), \quad t < s \leq 1\}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

But, as $H(Y^*; t) \subset H(Y; t)$ for every t , we have $E_X(t)z_\nu = E_Y(t)z_\nu$ for every t , and then

$$H^\perp(Z_\nu; t) = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{(E_Y(s) - E_Y(t))z_\nu, \quad t < s \leq 1\}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

As $(E_Y(s) - E_Y(t))z_\nu \in H^\perp(Y; t)$ for all $s > t$, then $H^\perp(Z_\nu; t) \subset H^\perp(Y; t)$ for every t . Therefore, the process Z_ν is, for every ν , fully submitted to Y , which implies that Y^* is fully submitted to Y , too.

By the following example we shall show that Y^* does not always exist.

Example 3. Let ω be a Wiener process defined on $[0; 1]$, and let

$$X(t) = \omega(t), \quad Y(t) = \omega(t^2), \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

It is clear that the equality $H(X) = H(Y)$ holds, but, for any $t < 1$, we have

$$H(Y; t) = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{\omega(u^2), \quad u \leq t\} = \overline{\mathcal{L}}\{\omega(u), \quad u \leq t^2\} = H(X; t^2) \subset H(X; t),$$

which means that Y is submitted to X . Let us show that Y is not fully submitted to X . From the assumption that Y is fully submitted to X it follows that any element $x \in H(Y)$, which is orthogonal to $H(Y; t)$ for some t , will be also orthogonal to $H(X; t)$; it is easy to see that such an element x , because of $H(Y; t) = H(X; t^2)$, can have the following form:

$$x = \int_{t^2}^1 f(u) d\omega(u),$$

where f is a function from $L_2(dt)$, not identically equal to zero on (t^2, t) . But, such x is not orthogonal to $H(X; t)$, since it is not orthogonal, for

example, to the element $\int_{t^2}^1 f(u) d\omega(u)$, which belongs to $H(X; t)$. Thus, we

proved that Y is not fully submitted to X . Let us show that $H(Y)$ does not contain any regular element. If such an element z exists (let s_2 be its regularity level), then, as follows from the previous discussion, z could be represented in the form

$$z = \int_{s_2}^1 f(u) d\omega(u),$$

where $f(u) \neq 0$ for almost all $u \in (s_z^2, s_z^2 + h)$, for some $h > 0$ (because, otherwise, s_z could not be the regularity level for z). But we have already shown that such element is not orthogonal to $H(X; s_z)$, which means that it is not regular. Thus, we showed that $H(Y)$ does not contain any regular element and the consequence of this fact is that the process Y^* , submitted to Y and fully submitted to X , does not exist.

It is clear that the necessary and sufficient condition for the process Y^* to exist is the existence of at least one regular element. Now, we shall give the necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of Y^* in terms of the resolution of the identity of X .

Theorem 4. *The process Y^* exists if and only if there exists at least one element $z \in H(Y)$, such that*

$$(6) \quad E_X(t)z \in H(Y; t) \text{ for all } t.$$

Proof. Let us first suppose that Y^* exists; from this assumption it follows that in $H(Y)$ there exists at least one strictly regular element z . For this element z , by reason of Theorem 1, the equality $E_X(t)z = E_Y(t)z$ holds for any t , which implies that (6) holds.

Let us suppose now that there exists an element z from $H(Y)$ such that (6) is valid. We define Y^* by

$$Y^*(t) = E_X(t)z, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1;$$

from this definition it is clear that Y^* is fully submitted to X , and from (6) it follows that it is submitted to Y .

From Theorems 3 and 4 it follows that a necessary condition for the existence of Y^* can be expressed in terms of spectral types of X and Y .

Theorem 5. *Let ρ_X and ρ_Y be maximal spectral types¹⁾ of the processes X and Y , respectively. The necessary condition for the existence of Y^* is that $\inf\{\rho_X, \rho_Y\} \neq 0$ ²⁾.*

Proof. If Y^* exists, then, according to Theorem 3, it is fully submitted to both X and Y . For an arbitrary z from $H(Y^*)$, we have, according to Theorem 4, $E_X(t)z = E_Y(t)z$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, which means that z generates the same spectral type ρ_z with respect to both resolutions of the identity. Thus, we have $\rho_z \neq 0$, $\rho_z < \rho_X$ and $\rho_z < \rho_Y$, from where we have that $\inf\{\rho_X, \rho_Y\} > \rho_z \neq 0$, and our assertion is proved.

The following example will show that $\inf\{\rho_X, \rho_Y\} \neq 0$ is not a sufficient condition for Y^* to exist.

¹⁾ We say that ρ_X is the maximal spectral type of X if any element $z \in H(X)$ induces the spectral type ρ_z which is subordinated²⁾ to ρ_X .

²⁾ We say that the spectral type ρ is subordinated to spectral type μ , and we write $\rho < \mu$, if any measure of the spectral type ρ is absolutely continuous with respect to any measure of the spectral type μ .

³⁾ By $\inf\{\rho, \mu\}$ we denote the greatest spectral type which is subordinated to ρ and μ .

Example 4. Let the processes X and Y be defined as in Example 3. Both processes are Wiener, so that they have a unit multiplicities and the spectral types ρ_X and ρ_Y are equal to the ordinary Lebesgue measure. Therefore, $\inf \{\rho_X, \rho_Y\} \neq 0$, although Y^* does not exist, as it is shown in Example 3.

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