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ANALYTIC WEAKLY STATIONARY PROCESSES

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ABSTRACT

Some basic results on weakly stationary processes which are mean analytic at the origin, on a half-plane or the entire complex plane, are given.

1. Introduction

Let $X(t, \omega)$, $-\infty < t < \infty$ be a stochastic process of the second order, that is, a process with $E|X(t, \omega)|^2 < \infty$, $-\infty < t < \infty$. If there is a stochastic process $Y(t, \omega)$ of the second order such that $E|[X(t+h, \omega) - X(t, \omega)]/h - Y(t, \omega)|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$, for a t , then $X(t, \omega)$ is called mean differentiable at t and $Y(t, \omega)$ the mean derivative. We denote it simply by $X'(t, \omega)$. The mean derivative $X^{(n)}(t, \omega)$ of the n -th order of $X(t, \omega)$ is defined in an obvious way.

Suppose that $X(t, \omega)$ has the mean derivatives of all orders at $t=t_0$. If the Taylor series

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} X^{(n)}(t_0, \omega) \frac{(t-t_0)^n}{n!} \quad (1.1)$$

converges in quadratic mean to $X(t, \omega)$ in $|t-t_0| < \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$, then $X(t, \omega)$ is called mean analytic at $t=t_0$. (BALYAEV [4]). This definition is equivalent to the following one. $X(t, \omega)$ is mean analytic at $t=t_0$, if there is a random function $X_1(z, \omega)$ defined in some neighbourhood D of t_0 in the complex plane, which is mean analytic in D , that is $[X_1(z+h, \omega) - X_1(z, \omega)]/h$ converges in quadratic mean as $h \rightarrow 0$ to a random function $X_1'(z, \omega)$ for each $z \in D$ and is such that $X_1(t, \omega) = X(t, \omega)$ with probability one for each real t contained in D .

In this definition if the mean analyticity in D of $X_1(z, \omega)$ is replaced by the

almost sure analyticity in D , namely if $X_1(z, \omega)$ is analytic in D as a function of a complex variable z with probability one, then $X(t, \omega)$ is called almost surely analytic at $t=t_0$.

We are, in this paper, concerned with weakly stationary processes and give some rather basic properties of them when they are analytic in the above sense.

2. Some known results

LOÈVE [6] studied the mean analyticity of a stochastic process of the second order and gave basic results one of which takes the following form in the case of a weakly stationary process.

I. *In order that a weakly stationary process is everywhere mean analytic if and only if its covariance function is analytic at the origin.*

LOÈVE [6] also gave a condition for almost sure analyticity for a second order process. Later BALYAEV [4] improved the result. BALYAEV'S theorem turns out to be the following theorem for a weakly stationary process.

II. *If a weakly stationary process has the covariance function analytic at the origin, then the process is almost surely analytic at the origin.*

Hence in view of the above result, this yields to: If a weakly stationary process is mean analytic at the origin, then it is almost surely analytic at the origin.

As a matter of fact, this is rather a special case of a more general theorem which states:

III. *If a random function $f(z, \omega)$ with finite second moment for each $z \in D$, D being a domain in the complex plane, is mean analytic in D , then it is almost surely analytic in D , that is there is a random function $f_1(z, \omega)$ which is analytic in D as a function of z with probability one and is such that $f_1(z, \omega) = f(z, \omega)$ with probability one for each $z \in D$.*

This is included in BALYAEV [4] in the local form and was shown by ARNOLD [2].

3. Strip of mean analyticity

We assume throughout in this paper that $X(t, \omega)$, $-\infty < t < \infty$, is a weakly stationary process with $EX(t, \omega) = 0$, $-\infty < t < \infty$ and the covariance function

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(u) &= EX(t+u, \omega)\overline{X(t, \omega)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iu\lambda} dF(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

$X(t, \omega)$ admits the representation

$$X(t, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{it\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega), \quad (3.2)$$

where $\xi(S, \omega)$, S being a Borel set, is a random measure with

$$E\xi(S, \omega) = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

$$E|\xi(S, \omega)|^2 = F(S), \tag{3.4}$$

$F(S)$ being a bounded measure generated by $F(\lambda)$.

We first of all mention the following theorem which is well known in the theory of analytic characteristic functions (LUKACS [7], KAWATA [5]).

Theorem 3.1. *If the covariance function (3.1) of a weakly stationary process is analytic at $u=0$, then there is a strip*

$$-\alpha < \text{Im } z < \beta, \quad \alpha, \beta > 0 \tag{3.5}$$

such that there exists a function $\rho(z)$ which is analytic in the strip (3.5), is identical with $\rho(u)$ on the real axis and has the representation

$$\rho(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} dF(\lambda) \tag{3.6}$$

there, where

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y\lambda} dF(\lambda) < \infty, \quad \text{for } -\alpha < y < \beta. \tag{3.7}$$

$-i\alpha$ and $i\beta$ are singularities of $\rho(z)$.

Either α or β , or the both may be infinite. The strip (3.5) is called the strip of analyticity of $\rho(u)$. Corresponding to this theorem, we have

Theorem 3.2. *If a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ with representation (3.2) is mean analytic at $t=0$, then there are a strip*

$$-\alpha_1 < \text{Im } z < \beta_1, \quad \alpha_1, \beta_1 > 0 \tag{3.8}$$

and a random function $X_1(z, \omega)$ which is mean analytic in (3.8), has the representation

$$X_1(z, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \tag{3.9}$$

and is identical with $X(t, \omega)$ with probability one for each real $z=t$, and $X_1(z, \omega)$ is not mean analytic at $z=-i\alpha_1$, $z=i\beta_1$.

The proof is carried out in a way similar to that of Theorem 3.1 in the following manner.

Consider

$$Y_1(z, \omega) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \tag{3.10}$$

and suppose that the integral on the right hand side exists at $z=z_1=t_1+iy_1$, or $e^{-y_1\lambda} \in L^2(dF)$. Then obviously $e^{-y\lambda} \in L^2(dF)$ for $y > y_1$ and hence (3.10) exists for all z with $\text{Im } z > y_1$. Therefore there should exist $-\alpha_1$ such that the integral in (3.10) exists for all z with $\text{Im } z > -\alpha_1$, and does not exist for any z with $\text{Im } z < -\alpha_1$. α_1 should be nonnegative since $F(\lambda)$ is of bounded variation over $(-\infty, \infty)$.

It is easy to show that $Y_1(z, \omega)$ is differentiable in mean arbitrary number of times and

$$Y_1^{(n)}(z, \omega) = i^n \int_0^\infty e^{iz\lambda} \lambda^n \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \tag{3.11}$$

for $\text{Im } z > -\alpha_1$. Moreover $Y_1(z, \omega)$ is mean analytic in $\text{Im } z > -\alpha_1$, because as we easily verify,

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left| \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{(z-z_1)^n}{n!} Y_1^{(n)}(z, \omega) - Y_1(z, \omega) \right|^2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left| \sum_{n=0}^N \frac{(z-z_1)^n}{n!} (i\lambda)^n - e^{i\lambda(z-z_1)} \right|^2 e^{-2y_1\lambda} dF(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

for any z, z_1 such that $y_1 = \text{Im } z_1 > -\alpha_1$, $|z-z_1| < y_1 + \alpha_1$, and the right hand side converges to zero as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

It is obvious that $Y_1(z, \omega)$ is not mean analytic at $z = -i\alpha_1$.

In a similar way, we see that, for

$$Y_2(z, \omega) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega), \tag{3.12}$$

there exists a $\hat{\beta}_1 \geq 0$ such that $Y_2(z, \omega)$ is mean analytic in $\text{Im } z < \hat{\beta}_1$ and is not at $z = i\hat{\beta}_1$.

Now $X(t, \omega)$ is supposed to be mean analytic at $t=0$ and then it is easy to see that the both $Y_1(z, \omega)$ and $Y_2(z, \omega)$ are mean analytic at $z=0$. Hence $\alpha_1 > 0$, $\beta_1 > 0$ and $X_1(z, \omega) \equiv Y_1(z, \omega) + Y_2(z, \omega)$ is mean analytic in $-\alpha_1 > \text{Im } z > \beta_1$. Obviously $X_1(t, \omega) = X(t, \omega)$ holds with probability one for each real t . This concludes the proof.

The strip (3.8) is called the *strip of mean analyticity* of $X(t, \omega)$.

In view of the equivalence of existence of the integrals $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-2y\lambda} dF(\lambda)$ and $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{i\lambda z} \xi(d\lambda, \omega)$ where $\text{Im } z = y$, we may conclude

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2} \alpha, \quad \hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \beta, \tag{3.13}$$

where α, β are those in Theorem 3.1.

Because of III in 1 we have

Corollary 3.1. *If a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ is mean analytic at the origin, then there is a random function $X_2(z, \omega)$ which is analytic (as a function of z) with probability one in the strip of mean analyticity and is identical with $X(t, \omega)$ on $-\infty < t < \infty$ with probability one for each t .*

The domain of almost sure analyticity of a weakly stationary process is not smaller and actually may be larger than the strip of mean analyticity, as the following example shows.

Let the probability space be $[0, 1]$ in which Lebesgue measurable sets are considered and the probability is taken to be the Lebesgue measure. Define for $\omega \in [0, 1]$, $n=1, 2, \dots$

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$$\begin{aligned} \xi_n(\omega) &= -2^{n/2}e^{-ny_0^2}, & \text{for } 2^{-n} - 2^{-(n+1)} < \omega < 2^{-n}, \\ &= 2^{n/2}e^{-ny_0}, & \text{for } 2^{-n} < \omega < 2^{-n} + 2^{-(n+1)}, \\ &= 0, & \text{elsewhere,} \end{aligned}$$

y_0 being any fixed positive number. Let

$$X(z, \omega) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \xi_n(\omega) e^{inz} \tag{3.14}$$

which is weakly stationary for $z=t$. $\{\xi_n(\omega)\}$ is a sequence of orthogonal random variables. Since

$$\rho(u) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-ny_0} e^{inu}$$

$\rho(z)$ has the strip of analyticity, $\text{Im } z > -y_0$ and $X(t, \omega)$ has the strip of mean analyticity $\text{Im } z > -y_0/2$. On the other hand for each $0 < \omega < 1$, $\xi_n(\omega) = 0$ for sufficiently large n and hence $X(z, \omega)$ is a trigonometric polynomial for each ω . Hence it is analytic for each $\omega \in (0, 1)$, in the whole complex plane.

4. Boundary of an analytic random function

Let $X(t, \omega)$ be a weakly stationary process as in 3. If there is a random function $\varphi(z, \omega)$ which is mean analytic in the half-plane $\text{Im } z > 0$ such that

$$E|\varphi(z, \omega) - X(t, \omega)|^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow 0+$$

for every $-\infty < t < \infty$, where $z = t + iy$, then $X(t, \omega)$ is called the *boundary* of $\varphi(z, \omega)$, or the *boundary process* of a mean analytic random function.

Suppose that the spectral distribution function $F(\lambda)$ of $X(t, \omega)$ is constant for $\lambda < 0$. Then as we saw in the proof of Theorem 3.1, $X(t, \omega)$ is the boundary of $X_1(z, \omega) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega)$. In fact $E|X_1(z, \omega) - X(t, \omega)|^2 = \int_0^{\infty} |e^{-y\lambda} - 1|^2 dF(\lambda)$ converges to zero as $y \rightarrow 0+$. We write $X_1(z, \omega)$ for $\varphi(z, \omega)$ without confusion.

Since for every x and every $y > 0$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\int_0^{\infty} \left| \frac{y}{(t-x)^2 + y^2} e^{iu\lambda} \right|^2 dF(\lambda) \right]^{1/2} dt < \infty,$$

by a theorem analogous to the FUBINI-TONELLI Theorem (See ROZANOV [8] p. 12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(t-u)^2 + y^2} e^{iu\lambda} du \right] \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du \frac{y}{(t-u)^2 + y^2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{iu\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \end{aligned}$$

for $y > 0$, $-\infty < t < \infty$, namely

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(t-u)^2 + y^2} X(u, \omega) du = \int_0^{\infty} e^{it\lambda - y\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \\ & = \int_0^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega), \quad z = t + iy. \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Hence we have shown

Theorem 4.1. *If the spectral distribution function $F(\lambda)$ of a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ is constant for $\lambda < 0$, then $X(t, \omega)$ is the boundary of the random function*

$$X(z, \omega) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \tag{4.3}$$

which is mean analytic in $\text{Im } z > 0$ and is represented by the Poisson integral

$$X(z, \omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(t-u)^2 + y^2} X(u, \omega) du. \tag{4.4}$$

The converse of this theorem is true in the following sense.

Theorem 4.2. *If a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ is the boundary of a random function $X(z, \omega)$ which is mean analytic in the upper half-plane and is represented by the Poisson integral (4.4) of $X(t, \omega)$, then $F(\lambda)$ is constant for $\lambda < 0$.*

We also have the following seemingly more general theorem.

Theorem 4.3. *If a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ is the boundary of a random function $X(z, \omega)$ which is mean analytic in the upper half-plane with $E|X(z, \omega)|^2$ bounded in $\text{Im } z > 0$, then $F(\lambda)$ is constant for $\lambda < 0$.*

We note that if (4.4) is true, then $E|X(z, \omega)|^2$ is bounded in $\text{Im } z > 0$, because the variance of the Poisson integral in (4.4) is easily seen to be $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-2y\lambda} dF(\lambda)$.

We shall prove Theorem 4.3. Consider

$$EX(z, \omega) \overline{X(0, \omega)} = \rho(z)$$

which is seen to be analytic in $\text{Im } z > 0$ from the analyticity of $X(z, \omega)$. Since $X(z, \omega)$ converges to $X(t, \omega)$ in quadratic mean as $y \rightarrow 0+$ ($z = t + iy$), $\rho(z)$ converges to $\rho(t)$ as $y \rightarrow 0+$. Hence $g(z) = \rho(z) - \int_0^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} dF(\lambda)$ is analytic in $\text{Im } z > 0$ and converges to $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{it\lambda} dF(\lambda)$ as $y \rightarrow 0$. On the other hand, $g_1(z) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{iz\lambda} dF(\lambda)$ is analytic in $\text{Im } z < 0$ and converges to $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{it\lambda} dF(\lambda)$ as $y \rightarrow 0-$. Therefore $g_1(z)$ is analytically continued to the upper half-plane and consequently analytic in the whole plane.

Now from the assumption that $E|X(z, \omega)|^2$ is bounded in $\text{Im } z > 0$, $\rho(z)$ is bounded in $\text{Im } z > 0$ and then $g(z)$ is bounded in $\text{Im } z > 0$. Hence $g_1(z)$ is, in the upper half-plane, bounded. Note that $g_1(z)$ is bounded in $\text{Im } z \leq y$ from the form

of the integral. Therefore $g_1(z)$ should be a constant for all z , which implies that $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{i\lambda z} dF(\lambda)$ is constant and this in turn implies that $F(\lambda)$ is constant for $\lambda < 0$.

5. Order of an entire weakly stationary process

Suppose that a weakly stationary process $X(t, \omega)$ is mean analytic in the whole plane, that is, there is a random function $X_1(z, \omega)$ which is mean analytic in the whole plane such that $X(t, \omega)$, $X_1(t, \omega)$ with probability one for each real t . We write $X_1(z, \omega)$ as before $X(z, \omega)$. Then we should have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y\lambda} dF(\lambda) < \infty \quad \text{for} \quad -\infty < y < \infty, \quad (5.1)$$

$F(\lambda)$ being the spectral distribution function of $X(t, \omega)$. Let us call $\rho(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{iz\lambda} dF(\lambda)$, $z = t + iy$, the *entire covariance function* of $X(t, \omega)$.

Let us put, for $r > 0$

$$M_m(r) = \max_{|z| \leq r} E |X(z, \omega)|^2 \quad (5.2)$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{|z| \leq r} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2y\lambda} dF(\lambda) \\ &= \max [\rho(2ir), \rho(-2ir)] \\ &= \max_{|z|=2r} |\rho(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

We define the *mean order* ρ_m of $X(z, \omega)$ by

$$\rho_m = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log M_m(r)}{\log r}. \quad (5.3)$$

ρ_m is no more than the order of $\rho(z)$.

From the known theorem on analytic characteristic functions we have that if the *spectral distribution* $F(\lambda)$ is nondegenerate,

$$\rho_m \geq 1. \quad (5.4)$$

From III in 1, $X(z, \omega)$ is almost surely entire. We may then define

$$M_a(r, \omega) = \max_{|z|=r} |X(z, \omega)| \quad (5.5)$$

and

$$\rho_a(\omega) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log M_a(r, \omega)}{\log r} \quad (5.6)$$

with probability one. We call $\rho_a(\omega)$ the *almost sure order* of $X(z, \omega)$.

ARNOLD [3] has extensively studied on the order $\rho(\omega)$ of an entire random power series $f(z, \omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(\omega)z^n$ (that is, an entire power series with probability one). The order $\rho(\omega)$ is given by (5.6) with $M_a(r, \omega)$ in which $X(z, \omega)$ is replaced by $f(z, \omega)$ and is also given in the form

$$\rho(\omega) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \log n}{\log(1/|a_n(\omega)|)}. \tag{5.7}$$

One of ARNOLD'S results [3] (Satz 1) is that, for every $x \geq 0$

$$P(\rho(\omega) \leq x) = 1 \tag{5.8}$$

is equivalent to

$$P(\limsup |a_n(\omega)| \geq n^{-n/(x+\epsilon)}) = 0 \tag{5.9}$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$.

From this, Borel-Cantelli lemma gives us that if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(|a_n(\omega)| \geq n^{-n/(x+\epsilon)}) < \infty \tag{5.10}$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$, then (5.8) is true.

Applying this result to a weakly stationary process, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 5.1. *If the spectral distribution function $F(\lambda)$ of a mean entire weakly stationary process satisfies that, for $x \geq 0$*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{2n/(x+\epsilon)} \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) < \infty \tag{5.11}$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$, then

$$P(\rho_a(\omega) \leq x) = 1. \tag{5.12}$$

In fact, if $\sum a_n(\omega)z^n$ is the power series expansion of $X(z, \omega)$, then $a_n(\omega) = X^{(n)}(0, \omega)/n! = (i^n/n!) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^n \xi(d\lambda, \omega)$ and by Chebyshev inequality,

$$P(|a_n(\omega)| \geq n^{-n/(x+\epsilon)}) \leq n^{2n/(x+\epsilon)} E |a_n(\omega)|^2 = n^{2n/(x+\epsilon)} \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) :$$

Hence from (5.11), (5.10) follows.

From Theorem 5.1 we have, taking 1 for x , the following theorem.

Theorem 5.2. *If the spectral distribution $F(\lambda)$ of a mean entire weakly stationary process satisfies that*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) \leq Cn^{4n} \tag{5.13}$$

for some sequence $\{A_n\}$ with $A_n = O(n)$ and some constant C , then

$$P(\rho_a(\omega) \leq 1) = 1. \tag{5.14}$$

Actually if (5.13) holds, then the series in (5.11) is, because of STIRLING formula, not larger than

$$C_1 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{2n/(1+\varepsilon) - (2n+1)} e^{2n} n^{\varepsilon} n^n$$

for some $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$, C_1 being a constant and this is

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1} e^{2n} n^{\frac{-2\varepsilon}{\varepsilon+1} n} n^{\varepsilon} n^n$$

which is convergent for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and this proves the theorem.

We remark in connection with (5.13), that for every entire weakly stationary process,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) = o(n^{2n}) \tag{5.15}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. In fact, we have, choosing any $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$, the left hand side of (5.15) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|\lambda| \geq \varepsilon_n n} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) + \int_{|\lambda| < \varepsilon_n n} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) \\ & \leq (2n)! \int_{|\lambda| \geq \varepsilon_n n} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{2n}}{(2n)!} dF(\lambda) + (n\varepsilon_n)^{2n} [F(\infty) - F(-\infty)] \\ & = (2n)! \int_{|\lambda| \geq n\varepsilon_n} e^{\lambda} dF(\lambda) + n^{2n} o(1) \\ & = (2n)! O(1) + o(n^{2n}) = o(n^{2n}) \end{aligned}$$

because of (5.1) and the STIRLING formula.

As a particular case of Theorem 5.2 a band limited weakly stationary process has an almost sure order not greater than one.

6. Relationship between ρ_n and $\rho_a(\omega)$

For a mean entire weakly stationary process, we shall give the following result.

Theorem 6.1.

$$P(\rho_a(\omega) \leq \rho_m) = 1, \tag{6.1}$$

where ρ_m and $\rho_a(\omega)$ are the mean order and the almost sure order respectively of a given mean entire weakly stationary process.

Proof. Suppose without loss of generality that $\rho_m < \infty$. From Theorem 5.1. it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{2n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon)} \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) < \infty \tag{6.2}$$

for any $\varepsilon > 0$, where $F(\lambda)$ is the spectral distribution function as before.

Take up any $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ such that $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$. Since the order of an entire (nonrandom) power series $\sum_0^\infty a_n z^n$ is given by $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \log n / (\log 1/|a_n|)$, ρ_m is given by

$$\rho_m = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \log n}{\log |n! / \rho^{(n)}(0)|}. \quad (6.3)$$

Hence there is an n_0 such that for $n \geq n_0$

$$\frac{n!}{\rho^{(n)}(0)} > n^{n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon_1)},$$

that is

$$n! n^{-n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon_1)} > \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^n dF(\lambda) \right|.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} n^{2n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon)} \frac{1}{(n!)^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} dF(\lambda) \\ & \leq \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} n^{2n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon)} \frac{1}{(n!)^2} (2n)! (2n)^{-2n/(\rho_m + \varepsilon_1)} \\ & \leq C \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} n^{2n[(\rho_m + \varepsilon)^{-1} - (\rho_m + \varepsilon_1)^{-1}]} 2^{2n[1 - (\rho_m + \varepsilon_1)^{-1}]} n^{-1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

for some constant C and the last series obviously convergent. This proves the theorem.

Finally we give

Theorem 6.2. *For a nondegenerate mean entire Gaussian stationary process, we have*

$$P(\rho_a(\omega) = \rho_m) = 1. \quad (6.4)$$

Proof. Suppose first $\rho_m < \infty$. From (5.2) and the following lines, and (5.3), we have, for every $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \max [\rho(2ir), \rho(-2ir)] \exp(-r^{\rho_m - \varepsilon}) \\ & = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \max \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2r\lambda} dF(\lambda), \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2r\lambda} dF(\lambda) \right) \exp(-r^{\rho_m - \varepsilon}) \end{aligned} \quad (6.5)$$

$$= \infty. \quad (6.6)$$

Write the maximum in (6.5) by $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\theta(r)2r\lambda) dF(\lambda)$, where $\theta(r)$ assumes the values 1 or -1 depending on r .

It is sufficient to show that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and a certain sequence $\{r_k\}$ tending to infinity,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |X((\theta(r_k)r_k, \omega)) \exp(-r_k^{\rho_m - \varepsilon})| = \infty, \quad (6.7)$$

with probability one, where $X(t, \omega)$ is a given stationary Gaussian process.

Let $\{r_k\}$ be a sequence such that

$$\exp[(-2r_k)^{\rho_m - \epsilon}] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\theta(r_k) 2r_k \lambda) dF(\lambda) \rightarrow \infty, \tag{6.8}$$

($r_k \rightarrow \infty$). The existence of such an $\{r_k\}$ follows from (6.6).

In order to show (6.7) it is sufficient to prove

$$P(\bigcap_{G>0} \{|\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\theta(r_k) 2r_k \lambda) \xi(d\lambda, \omega)| > G \exp(r_k^{\rho_m - \epsilon}), \text{ i.o.}\}) = 1. \tag{6.9}$$

The left hand side is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{G \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bigcup_{k \geq n} \{|\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\theta(r_k) r_k \lambda) \xi(d\lambda, \omega)| > G \exp(r_k^{\rho_m - \epsilon})\}) \\ & \cong \lim_{G \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp(\theta(r_n) r_n \lambda) \xi(d\lambda, \omega)| > G \exp(r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon})). \end{aligned}$$

Since the integral in this expression depends on Gaussian distribution, the last one is

$$\lim_{G \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_n}} \int_{|y| > G \exp(r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon})} e^{-y^2/(2\sigma_n^2)} dy,$$

where

$$\sigma_n^2 = E \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\theta(r_n) r_n \lambda} \xi(d\lambda, \omega) \right|^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\theta(r_n) r_n \lambda} dF(\lambda)$$

which is from (6.8)

$$\cong G_1 \exp(2r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon}),$$

G_1 being an arbitrarily large number when n is large. Then (6.10) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{G \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|u| > G \exp(r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon}) \sigma_n^{-1}} e^{-u^2/2} du \\ & \cong \lim_{G \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{|u| > J_n} e^{-u^2/2} du, \end{aligned}$$

where $J_n = G/G_1^{1/2} \exp(r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon}) \exp(-2r_n^{\rho_m - \epsilon})$. Since $J_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the last limit is 1. This proves (6.9). Hence the theorem is proved. The case $\rho_m = \infty$ is also shown in a similar way if $\rho_m - \epsilon$ is replaced by an arbitrarily large number.

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