

**5. Series representation of Brownian motion.** The “derivative of Brownian motion” is called white noise. Formally, take an ONB  $\{\varphi_n\}$  of  $L^2(I)$  and write  $W'(t) = \sum_n X_n \varphi_n(t)$  where  $X_n$  are i.i.d  $N(0, 1)$ , and then integrate term-by-term to write the expression  $W(t) = \sum_n X_n \Phi_n(t)$  where  $\Phi_n(t) = \int_0^t \varphi_n(s) ds$ . What sense does this make? We *start with the series*  $\sum_n X_n \Phi_n(t)$ , and show that it converges (a.s.) in appropriate sense to a continuous function which can then be identified as Brownian motion. The Lévy construction given in the book essentially does this using the Haar basis (see Theorem 1.44 in [MP]).

Wiener himself used the Fourier basis to give a second construction of Brownian motion. The goal is to write  $W(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} X_n \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin \pi(n+\frac{1}{2})t}{\pi(n+\frac{1}{2})}$ . The difficulty is in showing that the series converges uniformly (a.s.) to a continuous function.

**23** (Preliminary observations). Let  $\psi_n(t) = \sqrt{2} \sin \pi(n + \frac{1}{2})t$ . These are orthonormal in  $L^2(I)$ .

1. For any fixed  $t \in I$ , the series  $\sum \frac{X_n}{\pi(n+\frac{1}{2})} \psi_n(t)$  converges almost surely.
2. For any  $0 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq 1$ , the limit random variables  $W(t_1), \dots, W(t_n)$  are jointly normal with covariances  $\sum \frac{1}{\pi^2(n+\frac{1}{2})^2} \psi_n(t) \psi_n(s)$  which is in fact equal to  $t \wedge s$  (you do not need to show this last part).

**24** (A lemma on trigonometric polynomials). Let  $p(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k \psi_k(t)$ . Then,  $\|p'\|_{\text{sup}} \leq 2\pi N^2 \|p\|_{\text{sup}}$ . In particular,  $\int_0^1 (e^{2\lambda p(t)} + e^{-2\lambda p(t)}) dt \geq \frac{1}{2\pi N^2} \exp\{\lambda \|p\|_{\text{sup}}\}$  for any  $\lambda > 0$ .

**25.** Let  $f(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k X_k \psi_k(t)$  where  $X_k$  are i.i.d  $N(0, 1)$ . Compute  $\mathbf{E}[e^{\lambda f(t)}]$  and hence conclude that  $\mathbf{P}(\|f\|_{\text{sup}} > 4M\|c\|) \leq 4\pi N^2 \exp\{-M^2\}$  where  $\|c\|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k^2$ .

**26.** Let  $f_{k,\ell}(t) = \sum_{n=k}^{\ell-1} \frac{1}{\pi(n+\frac{1}{2})} X_n \psi_n(t)$ . Use the previous problem to show that  $\sum_k \|f_{2^k, 2^{k+1}}\|_{\text{sup}}$  is finite with probability one. Conclude that  $W(t) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} X_n \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin \pi(n+\frac{1}{2})t}{\pi(n+\frac{1}{2})}$  is standard Brownian motion.

**27** (Hölder continuity). For any  $0 = N_0 < N_1 < N_2 < \dots$  going to infinity and write  $W = g_0 + g_1 + \dots$  where  $g_k(t) = f_{N_k, N_{k+1}}$ . Let  $\omega(h) = \sup_{|t-s|<h} |W_t - W_s|$ .

1. For any  $h > 0$ ,  $\omega(h) \leq h \|g'_0\|_{\text{sup}} + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|g_k\|_{\text{sup}}$ .
2. Choose  $N_k$  appropriately to show that  $\omega(h) \leq C \sqrt{h \log(1/h)}$  for some  $C > 0$  (at least try to get  $\omega(h) \leq Ch^\gamma$  for any  $\gamma < 1/2$ ).

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By the same steps, one can show that Brownian bridge is represented by the random series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin(\pi n t)}{\pi n}$ .