

Banach space valued brownian motions

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I. BANACH SPACE VALUED BROWNIAN MOTIONS

Abstract. It is known ([1], [3]) that every real Brownian motion $B(t)$, $t \in [0, 1]$, can be represented as

$$B(t) \doteq \sum_n Z_n \int_0^t g_n(s) ds$$

where $\{Z_n\}$ is a sequence of i.i.d symmetric Gaussian random variables, $\{g_n\}$ a CONS in $L^2[0, 1]$ and the series is convergent with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$. The aim of the present paper is to prove some complete analogues of this fact for Banach space valued Brownian motions.

This paper is concerned with random variables defined on a fixed probability system (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) . Let E denote a real separable Banach space with the topological dual space E^* . In the sequel, if Y is a normed space then its norm will be denoted by $\|\cdot\|_Y$. By an E -valued random variable we mean a measurable map $X: \Omega \rightarrow E$ (measurable in the weak sense). An E -valued stochastic process $X_t, t \in T$, is said to be Gaussian if for any $n = 1, 2, \dots, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \in E^*$ and $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n \in T$ the real random variable $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i(X_{t_i})$ is Gaussian. In particular, an E -valued random variable X is Gaussian if $y(X)$ is Gaussian for each $y \in E^*$. Further, for the characteristic functional of an E -valued symmetric Gaussian random variable X we have the formula

$$E \exp i \langle y, X \rangle = \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \langle y, R y \rangle \right) \quad (y \in E^*).$$

R being a covariance operator i.e. a compact operator from E^* into E such that $\langle y, Ry \rangle \geq 0$ and $\langle y_1, Ry_2 \rangle = \langle y_2, Ry_1 \rangle$ for all $y, y_1, y_2 \in E^*$.

The following consequence of Jain-Kallianpur Theorem ([2], Theorem 3) will be needed.

PROPOSITION 1. Let R be a covariance operator. Then there exists a separable Hilbert space H with the inner product $\langle \dots \rangle_H$ such that

$$R(E^*) \subset H \subset E$$

and for any $y \in E^*$ and $h \in H$

$$y(h) = \langle Ry, h \rangle_H.$$

Moreover, for every E -valued symmetric Gaussian random variable X with the covariance R and for every CONS $\{e_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, in H there exists a sequence $\{U_n\}$ of independent real random variables with distribution $N(0, 1)$ such that

$$X = \sum_n U_n e_n$$

where the series is convergent in the norm $\|\cdot\|_E$ with probability one.

Let $\xi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued stochastic process. Then it is called a Brownian motion if

- (i) $\xi_0 = 0$ (P.1),
- (ii) $\{\xi_t\}$ is a symmetric homogeneous process with independent increments,
- (iii) the realizations of $\{\xi_t\}$ are continuous (in the norm topology of E) with probability one.

An equivalent definition of Banach-space-valued Brownian motions is given by the following theorem:

THEOREM 1. An E -valued process $\xi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, is a Brownian motion if and only if it is Gaussian and for any $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E^*$

$$/1/ \quad Ex(\xi_t) y(\xi_s) = \langle y, Rx \rangle (t \wedge s)$$

R being the covariance operator of ξ_1 .

To prove this Theorem we need the following lemma:

LEMMA 1. Let $X_t, t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued symmetric process with independent increments. If for every $y \in E^*$ the realizations of the process $y(X_t), t \in [0, 1]$, are continuous with probability one then the realizations of $X_t, t \in [0, 1]$, are continuous (in the norm topology of E) with probability one.

Proof of the Lemma. Given $t \in [0, 1]$ and a sequence $\{t_n\} \subset [0, 1]$ such that $t_n \rightarrow t$. Without loss of generality we may assume that $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n \rightarrow t$ or $t_1 > t_2 > \dots > t_n \rightarrow t$. Consider the first case. Put $Z_1 = X_{t_1}$, $Z_n = X_{t_n} - X_{t_{n-1}}$ ($n > 1$) and $U_n = X_t - X_{t_n}$. Then for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$ the random variables $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n, U_n$ are independent. Moreover, $X_t = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i + U_n$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$)

By Theorem 2.2 [4] and Theorem 4.1 [1] the series $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} Z_i$ converges with probability one. Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n = U$ (P.1) exists. Further, for every $y \in E^*$ we have $y(X_t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} y(Z_i) + y(U)$ and $y(U) = 0$ (P.1) by the continuity of the process $y(X_t)$, $t \in [0, 1]$. Consequently, $U = 0$ (P.1) which shows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_{t_n} = X_t \quad (\text{P.1})$$

The proof of this equality for $t_1 > t_2 > \dots > t_n \rightarrow t$ is the same. The Lemma is thus proved.

Proof of Theorem 1. Suppose that ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, is an E -valued Brownian motion. Then for every $y \in E^*$ $y(\xi_t)$ is a real Brownian motion. Consequently, every ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, is an E -valued Gaussian random variable with $E\xi_t = 0$. Hence and by the assumption that $\{\xi_t\}$ is a process with independent increments it follows that it is a Gaussian process. Further, for any $0 \leq s < t \leq 1$ and $x, y \in E^*$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} E x(\xi_s) y(\xi_t) &= E x(\xi_s) y(\xi_s) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[E ((x+y)\xi_s)^2 - E ((x-y)\xi_s)^2 \right] \\ &= s \langle y, Rx \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where R is the covariance operator of ξ_1 .

Conversely, suppose that ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, is an E -valued Symmetric Gaussian process satisfying the condition /1/. It is easy to check that $\{\xi_t\}$ is a homogeneous process with independent increments. Moreover, for every $y \in E^*$ $\{y(\xi_t)\}$ is a real Brownian motion. Consequently, the realizations of $\{y(\xi_t)\}$ are continuous with probability one. By Lemma 1 it follows that the realizations of $\{\xi_t\}$ are continuous in the norm topology of E with probability one. Consequently, $\{\xi_t\}$ is a Brownian motion which completes the proof of the Theorem.

In the sequel we fix an E -valued Brownian motion ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, and call the covariance operator R of ξ_1 its associated covariance operator. Let H be a

real separable Hilbert space. By $L^2([0, 1], H)$ we shall denote the Hilbert space of measurable functions $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow H$ such that

$$\int_0^1 \|f(s)\|_H^2 ds < \infty.$$

Its inner product is defined in a natural way. In particular, if H is the real line then we denote $L^2([0, 1], H)$ by the usual symbol L^2 .

PROPOSITION 2. For every function f in L^2 the stochastic integral

$$I(f) := \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s$$

is defined such that for any $x, y \in E^*$ and $f, g \in L^2$

$$/2/ \quad Ex(I(f)) y(I(g)) = \langle y, Rx \rangle \int_0^1 f(s) g(s) ds$$

Proof. Let L denote the set of all simple functions of the form

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i \chi_{(t_{i-1}, t_i)}$$

where r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n are some real numbers and $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$. Define an E -valued stochastic integral for such functions f as follows

$$I(f) := \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i (\xi_{t_i} - \xi_{t_{i-1}})$$

By Proposition 1 it follows that for any $x, y \in E^*$ and $f, g \in L$ we have

$$/3/ \quad Ex(I(f)) y(I(g)) = \langle y, Rx \rangle \int_0^1 f(s) g(s) ds$$

Consequently, if the Brownian motion $\{\xi_s\}$ is non-zero then for any $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in L$ the random variables $I(f_i)$ are independent (res. identically distributed) if and only if the functions $f_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, are orthogonal (res. have the same norm in L^2).

Our further aim is to define the stochastic integral $I(f) := \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s$ for every $f \in L^2$.

Let f be an arbitrary function in L^2 and $\{e_n\}$ be a CONS in L^2 such that $\{e_n\} \subset L$. By the Parseval identity we have

$$/4/ \quad \|f\|_{L^2}^2 = \sum_n \langle f, e_n \rangle_{L^2}^2$$

Put $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle f, e_i \rangle_{L^2} I(e_i)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. By the above remark the random variables $I(e_i)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, are independent and identically distributed. Further, for every $y \in E^*$ we have

$$E y^2(S_n) = \langle y, Ry \rangle \sum_{i=1}^n \langle f, e_i \rangle_{L^2}^2 \rightarrow \langle y, Ry \rangle \|f\|_{L^2}^2$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore,

$$/5/ \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \exp i y(S_n) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \langle y, Ry \rangle \|f\|_{L^2}^2 \right\}$$

Since the last limit is a characteristic functional of an E -valued random variable it follows, by Ito-Nisio theorems ([1], Theorems 3.1 and 4.1), that there exists an E -valued Gaussian random variable S such that $S_n \rightarrow S$ with probability one. It is easy to prove that the limit S does not depend on any choice of the CONS $\{e_n\} \subset L$. Thus we can define

$$/6/ \quad I(f) = \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s = S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle f, e_n \rangle_{L^2} I(e_n)$$

From this definition it follows that for any $f, g \in L^2$ and $x, y \in E^*$

$$/7/ \quad E x(I(f)) y(I(g)) = \langle y, Rx \rangle \int_0^1 f(s) g(s) ds.$$

which completes the proof of the Proposition.

COROLLARY 1. If the Brownian motion $\{\xi_t\}$ is non-zero then for any $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in L^2$ the random variables $I(f_i)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, are independent (res. identically distributed) if and only if the functions f_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, are orthogonal (res. have the same norm) in L^2 .

Proof. It is an easy consequence of the equality /2/.

Now we shall formulate the main results of this paper.

THEOREM 2. Let ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued Brownian motion. Then to every CONS $\{e_n\}$ in L^2 there corresponds a sequence of i.i.d E -valued symmetric Gaussian random variables $\{Z_n\}$ such that

$$/7/ \quad \xi_t = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n \int_0^t g_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1]).$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$.

Proof. For a trivial Brownian motion $\xi_t = 0$ (P. 1), $t \in [0, 1]$, the expansion /7/ holds for $Z_n = 0$ (P. 1), $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Suppose that $\{\xi_t\}$ is non-zero. Let $\{g_n\}$ be a CONS in L^2 . Putting $Z_n = I(g_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and taking into account Proposition 2 we infer that the E -valued symmetric Gaussian random variables Z_n , $n = 1, 2, \dots$, are independent and identically distributed.

We shall prove that the series

$$/8/ \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n \int_0^t g_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$ to ξ_t .

Let U denote the unit ball in E^* . It is known that if U were endowed with the E -topology then the product $K = [0, 1] \times U$ is a compact metric space. Further, define

$$S(t, y) = y(\xi_t)$$

and

$$S_n(t, y) = y(S_n(t))$$

where $S_n(t)$ is the n -th sum of the series /8/ and $(t, y) \in K$. It is clear that the real Gaussian processes $S(t, y)$ and $S_n(t, y)$ on K have continuous realizations with probability one. Our aim is to prove that $S_n(t, y)$ converges to $S(t, y)$ with probability one uniformly over K .

By $C(K)$ we shall denote the Banach space of all continuous real-valued functions defined on the compact metric space K with the norm supremum. Let τ be a signed measure on Borel subsets of K with the variation $\|\tau\|$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left| \int_K (S(t, y) - S_n(t, y)) d\tau(t, y) \right| &\leq \\ &\int_K E |S(t, y) - S_n(t, y)| d|\tau|(t, y) \\ &\leq \int_K (E |S(t, y) - S_n(t, y)|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} d|\tau|(t, y) \\ &= \int_K \left[\langle y, Ry \rangle \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[\sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^t g_n(s) ds \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} d|\tau|(t, y) \\ &\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

because $\sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^1 g_n(s) ds \right)^2 \rightarrow 0$ and also is bounded by t .

Consequently, if we consider $S(t, y)$ and $S_n(t, y)$ as $C(K)$ -valued random variables then by Ito-Nisio Theorem ([1], Theorem 4.1), $S_n(t, y) \rightarrow S(t, y)$ in the norm of $C(K)$ with probability one. Hence it follows that the series /8/ is convergent to ξ_t in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$. The Theorem is thus proved.

THEOREM 3. Let $\xi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued Brownian motion and R be its associated covariance operator. Let H be the Hilbert space corresponding to R as described in Proposition 1. Then for every CONS $\{e_n\}, n = 1, 2, \dots$, in H there exists a sequence $\{B_n(t)\}, t \in [0, 1]$ and $n = 1, 2, \dots$, of independent identically distributed real Brownian motions such that

$$/9/ \quad \xi_t = \sum_m B_m(t) e_m \quad (\text{P. 1}) \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$.

Proof. By virtue of Theorem 2 the E -valued Brownian motion $\{\xi_t\}$ can be represented by the random series /7/ where $Z_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$, are some i. i. d symmetric Gaussian E -valued random variables with a common covariance operator R . Let H be the Hilbert space corresponding to R as described in Proposition 1. Let $\{e_n\}$ be an arbitrary CONS in H . From Proposition 1 it follows that for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$ there exists a sequence $U_{n,m}, m = 1, 2, \dots$ of independent real random variables with distribution $N(0, 1)$ such that

$$/10/ \quad Z_n = \sum_m U_{n,m} e_m \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one. It should be noted that the family $\{U_{n,m}\}$ is consisted of i. i. d real Gaussian random variables. Putting

$$/11/ \quad B_m(t) = \sum_n U_{n,m} \int_0^t g_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

where $\{g_n\}$ is a CONS in L^2 , we get, by Theorem 5.2[1], a sequence of i. i. d real Brownian motions $B_m(t), m = 1, 2, \dots$. Further, from /7/ and /10/ it is easy seen that

$$\xi_t = \sum_m B_m(t) e_m$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one for every $t \in [0, 1]$. Moreover, by the same technique as in the proof of Theorem 2 one can prove that this series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$. Thus the Theorem is proved.

THEOREM 4. Let $\xi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued Brownian motion and

R be its associated covariance operator. Let H be the Hilbert space corresponding to R as described in Proposition 1.

Then for every CONS $\{f_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, in $L^2([0, 1], H)$ there exists a sequence of independent real random variables $\{U_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, with distribution $N(0, 1)$ such that

$$/12/ \quad \xi_t = \sum_n U_n \int_0^t f_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$.

Proof. Given an E -valued Brownian motion let G denote the Hilbert space spanned by all real Gaussian random variables and closed under the square convergence. Then for any $x, y \in E^*$ and $t, s \in [0, 1]$ we have the equations

$$\begin{aligned} Ex(\xi_t) y(\xi_s) &= \langle y, Rx \rangle (t \wedge s) \\ &= \langle Ry, Rx \rangle_H (t \wedge s) \\ &= \langle Rx \chi_{(0,t)}, Ry \chi_{(0,s)} \rangle_{L^2([0,1], H)} \end{aligned}$$

which, by the fact that the random variables $x(\xi_t)$, $x \in E^*$ and $t \in [0, 1]$, are linearly dense in G and the simple functions $Rx \chi_{(0,t)}$, $x \in E^*$ and $t \in [0, 1]$, are linearly dense in $L^2([0, 1], H)$, imply that there exists an isometric isomorphism φ from $L^2([0, 1], H)$ into G such that $\varphi(Rx \chi_{(0,t)}) = x(\xi_t)$ for all $x \in E^*$ and $t \in [0, 1]$. Let $\{f_n\}$ be an arbitrary CONS in $L^2([0, 1], H)$. Then using the isomorphism φ we put $U_n = \varphi(f_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. It is clear that $\{U_n\}$ is a CONS in G . In particular, it is a sequence of i.i.d symmetric real Gaussian random variables. As $Rx \chi_{(0,t)}$ has an orthogonal expansion

$$\begin{aligned} Rx \chi_{(0,t)} &= \sum_n f_n \int_0^t \langle Rx, f_n(s) \rangle_H ds \\ &= \sum_n f_n \int_0^t x(f_n(s)) ds \quad (\text{Proposition 1}) \\ &= \sum_n f_n x \left(\int_0^t f_n(s) ds \right) \end{aligned}$$

where the integral is taken in the Bochner sense, we have an orthogonal expansion

$$/13/ \quad x(\xi_t) = \sum_n U_n x \left(\int_0^t f_n(s) ds \right)$$

By Ito-Nisio Theorem ([1], Theorem 4.1) it follows that

$$/14/ \quad \xi_t = \sum_n U_n \int_0^t f_n(s) ds$$

where the series is convergent in the norm of E with probability one for every $t \in [0, 1]$. Moreover, by (13), (14) and by the same technique as in the proof of Theorem 2, one can prove that the series (14) is convergent in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$. The Theorem is thus proved.

Theorems 2, 3 and 4 suggest that we can construct an E -valued Brownian motion as follows. Let R be a covariance operator of an E -valued symmetric Gaussian random variable. Let H be a Hilbert space corresponding to R as described in Proposition 1. Let $\{U_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of independent real random variables with distribution $N(0, 1)$ and $\{Z_n\}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, a sequence of independent symmetric Gaussian E -valued random variables with the common covariance operator R . Further, let $\{e_n\}$ be a CONS in H , $\{f_n\}$ be a CONS in $L^2([0, 1], H)$ and $\{g_n\}$ be a CONS in L^2 . Finally, let $\{B_n(t)\}$ be a sequence of independent real Brownian motions with $E B_n^2(1) = 1$ for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$

THEOREM 5. The series

$$/15/ \quad \sum_n Z_n \int_0^t g_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

$$/16/ \quad \sum_n B_n(t) e_n \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

$$/17/ \quad \sum_n U_n \int_0^t f_n(s) ds \quad (t \in [0, 1])$$

converge in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$ to E -valued Brownian motions whose the associated covariance operator is R .

Proof. Consider the series /15/. Put

$$S_n(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \int_0^t g_i(s) ds \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } t \in [0, 1]).$$

Then for every $y \in E^*$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_y (S_n(t))^2 &= \langle y, Ry \rangle \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\int_0^t g_i(s) ds \right)^2 \\ &\rightarrow \langle y, Ry \rangle t \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

which, by virtue of Ito-Nisio Theorem ([1], Theorem 4.1), implies that the series /15/ converges in the norm of E with probability one for every $t \in [0, 1]$. Let ξ_t , $t \in [0, 1]$, denote the limit process. Then for any $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E^*$ we have

$$E_x(\xi_t) y(\xi_s) = \langle y, Rx \rangle (t \wedge s)$$

Consequently, by Theorem 1, it follows that $\{\xi_t\}$ is a Brownian motion. Moreover, its associated covariance operator is R . Now, by the same technique as in

the proof of Theorem 2, one can prove that the series /15/ converges to $\{ \xi_t \}$ in the norm of E with probability one uniformly over $[0, 1]$.

The proof of the remainder parts of the Theorem is the same which completes the proof of the Theorem.

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II. A STOCHASTIC INTEGRAL OF OPERATOR-VALUED FUNCTION

Abstract. In this paper we define a stochastic integral for some class of operator-valued functions based on a Banach space valued Brownian motion.

Throughout this paper we shall preserve the terminology and notation in [2]. In particular, by E we shall denote a real separable Banach space with the norm $\| \cdot \|_E$ and the dual space E^* . Let $\xi_t, t \in [0, 1]$, be an E -valued Brownian motion with the associated operator R . Further, let $B(E)$ denote the space of all bounded linear operators on E . Modifying the technique developed in [3] by Vahaniya and Kandelaki for the Hilbert space case we introduce a norm in $B(E)$ as follows: For every $A \in B(E)$ and for every number $1 \leq p < \infty$ we put

$$/1/ \quad \|A\|_p = \left(E \|A \xi_1\|_E^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

In the sequel we shall identify the operators $A, B \in B(E)$ for which

$$\|A - B\|_p = 0.$$

In such a way we get a normed linear space $(B(E), \| \cdot \|_p)$. Let M denote the completion of $B(E)$ in the norm $\| \cdot \|_p$. It is evident that M is a separable Banach space. Let us denote by $L^1([0, 1], M)$ the Banach space of all measurable M -valued functions f defined on $[0, 1]$ such that

$$\|f\|_{L^1([0, 1], M)} = \int_0^1 \|f(s)\|_M ds < \infty$$

where $\| \cdot \|_M$ denotes the norm in M . It should be noted [1] that the set of all simple functions of the form

$$/2/ \quad f = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \chi_{(t_{i-1}, t_i]}$$

where $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in B(E)$ and $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n \leq 1$, is dense in $L^1([0, 1], M)$.

We now proceed to define a stochastic integral for functions $f \in L^1([0, 1], M)$. First for a simple function f of the form (2) we put

$$/3/ \quad J(f) := \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i (\xi_{t_i} - \xi_{t_{i-1}}).$$

Then we have

$$/4/ \quad E \|J(f)\|_E^p \frac{1}{p} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n (E \|A_i (\xi_{t_i} - \xi_{t_{i-1}})\|_E^p) \frac{1}{p} = \sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1}) \|A_i\|_p \\ = \int_0^1 \|f(s)\|_M ds = \|f\|_{L^1([0, 1], M)}.$$

Let f be an arbitrary function in $L^1([0, 1], M)$. Choose a sequence $\{f_n\}$ of simple functions of the form /2/ such that $f_n \rightarrow f$ in the norm of $L^1([0, 1], M)$. By /4/ it follows that the sequence of E -valued Gaussian random variable $\{J(f_n)\}$ is fundamental in the $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P; E)$ norm. Since the last space is complete it follows that there exists a limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} J(f_n)$$

in the $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P; E)$ norm. Define

$$/5/ \quad J(f) := \int_0^1 f(s) d\xi_s \\ = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} J(f_n)$$

It is easy to check that $J(f)$ does not depend on any choice of $\{f_n\}$. Thus the stochastic integral $J(f)$ is defined for every function $f \in L^1([0, 1], M)$.

We remark that if f is a function in $L^1([0, 1], M)$ with the property that $f([0, 1]) \subset B(E)$ then by /3/ and /5/ it follows that the covariance operator of the E -valued Gaussian random variable $J(f)$ is given by the formula

$$/6/ \quad \int_0^1 f(s) R f(s)^* ds$$

where the integral is taken in such a way that for any $x, y \in E^*$

$$Ex(J(f)) y(J(f)) = \int_0^1 \langle f^*(s)y, Rf^*(s)x \rangle ds.$$

Finally, if E is a Hilbert space and $\{\xi_t\}$ is a Hilbert space valued Brownian motion then our definition of the stochastic integral coincides with that given in [3] by Vahaniya and Kandelaki.

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